**Supporting Information** 

## Clotting Mimicry from Robust Hemostatic Bandages Based on Self-Assembling Peptides

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**Figure S1 | Characteristics of different dip-LbL assembled films deposited onto silicon.** Different types of polyanions used in (RADA16-I/polyanion)<sub>40</sub> films results in different RADA16-I loadings and film thicknesses, which can be attributed to their differences in intrinsic chemical characteristics.



**Drying Intervals** 

Figure S2 | Effect of drying intervals during LbL film assembly on film thickness. Film growth characteristics of dip-LbL assembled (RADA16-I/SPS)<sub>40</sub> (n = 6) and (RADA16-I/PAA)<sub>40</sub> (n = 6) films with intermittent dry steps shows that introduction of a drying step can increase the amount of film deposited.



**Figure S3 | Surface morphologies of uncoated substrates**. SEM images of an uncoated glass slide (**A**), gauze (**B**), and gelatin sponge (**C**) revealing relatively smooth surfaces as compared to those coated with LbL films. Higher magnification images can be found in Figure 4. Scale bars represent 10  $\mu$ m (**A-B**) and 100  $\mu$ m (**C**).



Figure S4 | Surface morphologies of gauze coated by alternative, non-LbL methods. SEM images of two representative regions with coating (A,C) and without coating (B,D) of gauze after immersion in a RADA16-I solution (A,B) or spray-LbL coated with (RADA16-I/nothing)<sub>200</sub> films (C,D) show some areas of deposition, but is largely uncoated and inconsistent. Scale bars represent 1 µm.



Figure S5 | Release of RADA16-I from dip-LbL assembled films. Release profiles of (RADA16-I/polyanion)<sub>40</sub> films incubated in PBS, pH 7.4 at 37°C.

Score	Description
0	No bleeding
1	Very slight bleeding
2	Slow and steady bleeding
3	Moderate bleeding with well defined blood flow
4	Severe bleeding that flows freely

 Table S1 | Scoring criteria for the severity of skin wound puncture bleeding.
 Wounds were scored blind to the type of sample applied (i.e., LbL-coated or uncoated gauze).