

Supplementary Information

Rupture Forces among Human Blood Platelets at different Degrees of Activation

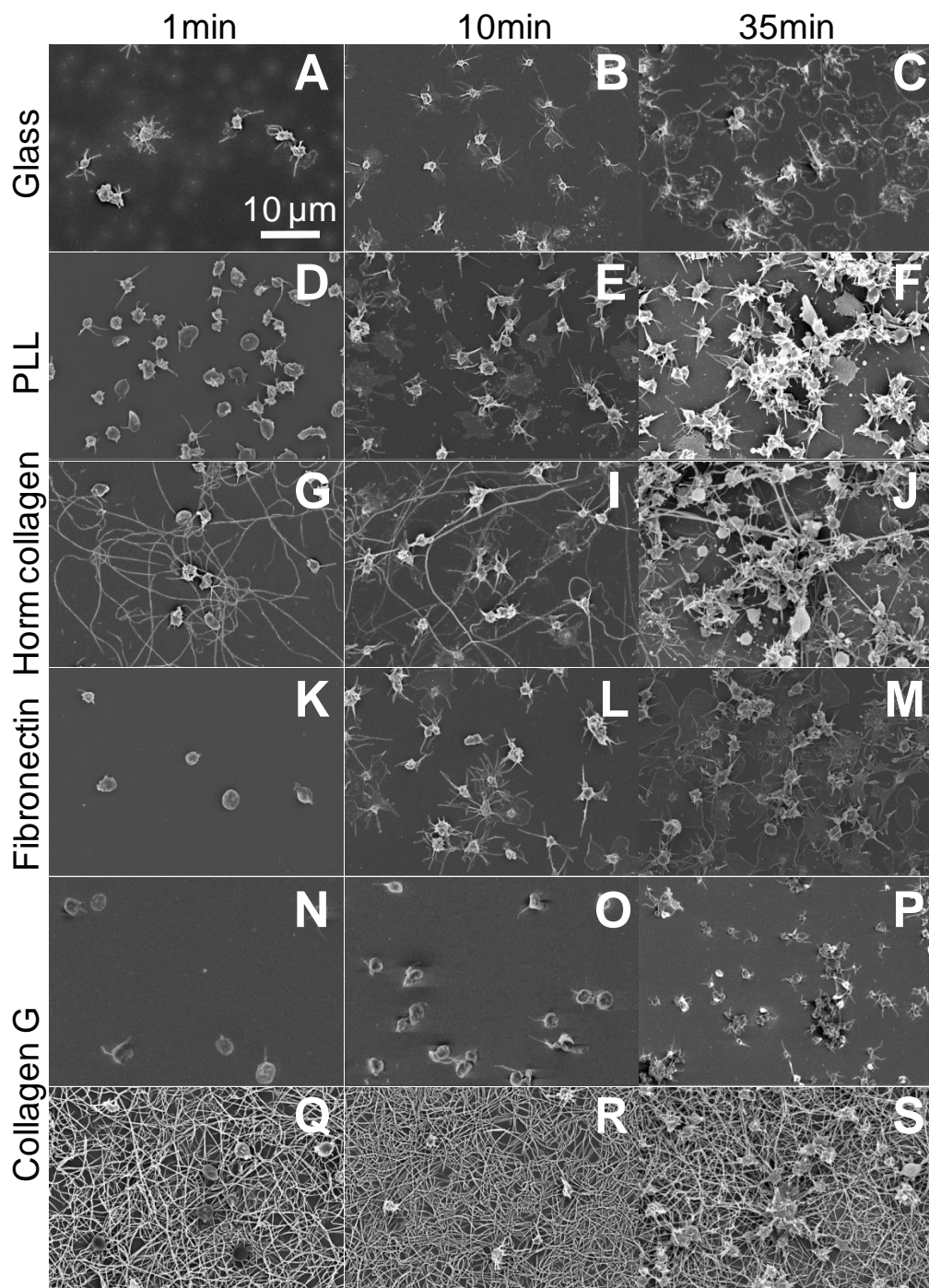
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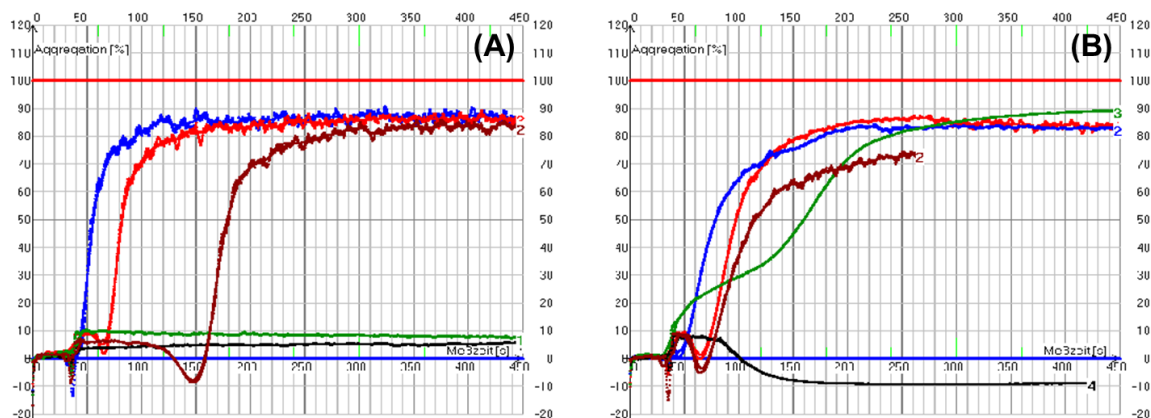
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Supplementary Figure 1. SEM images of platelets on material-passivated substrates at different surface-contact time.



At each time point, platelets spread strongest on glass (A-C), PLL (D-F), and Horm collagen (G-J), weaker on fibronectin (K-M) and weakest on collagen G (N-S). At lower surface roughness (N-P), platelets seem to be spreading less on collagen G than that at higher surface roughness (Q-S). Thin filopodial extensions and irregular shapes are characteristics of activated platelets. Scale bar corresponds to 10 μm for all images.

Supplementary Figure 2. Platelet aggregation induced by different materials.



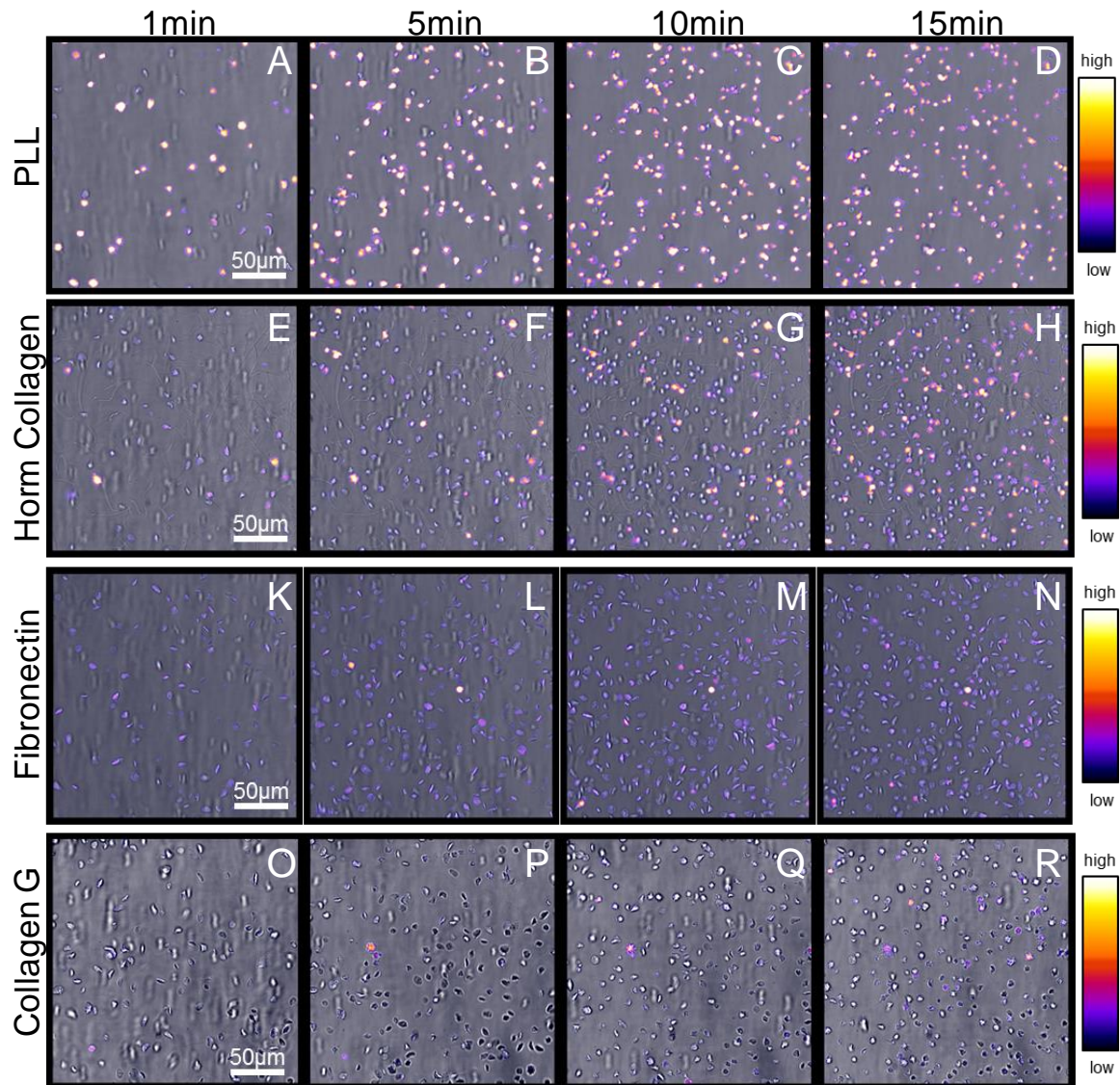
	Platelet-rich plasma			Washed platelets		
	Max aggregation [%]	Slope [%/min]	Lag Phase [s]	Max aggregation [%]	Slope [%/min]	Lag Phase [s]
■ TRAP, 20 µg/ml	88.55	211.17	37.2	86.85	112.84	68.2
■ Horm Collagen, 5 µg/ml	87.14	187.58	68.0	83.65	108.85	53.2
■ PLL	9.94	38.70	10.0	89.63	56.43	34.2
■ Collagen G, 5 µg/ml	6.29	16.01	35.0	8.06	34.54	33.8
■ Collagen G, 100 µg/ml	84.97	156.53	157.8	73.53	88.86	67.6

(A) Platelet-rich plasma aggregated immediately after adding TRAP (blue) or 5 µg/ml Horm collagen (red), while no aggregates formed with 5 µg/ml collagen G (black). At 100 µg/ml, collagen G induced platelet aggregation (wine), but with a much longer lag time compared to 5 µg/ml Horm collagen. 100 µg/ml PLL (green) did not induce aggregation.

(B) Washed platelets aggregated immediately after adding TRAP (blue), or 5 µg/ml Horm collagen (red). Collagen G did not induce aggregation of washed platelets at 5 µg/ml (black), but induced aggregates at 100 µg/ml (wine). PLL (100 µg/ml) induced aggregation of washed platelets (green) but with much shorter lag phase and in a different way than TRAP and collagens did.

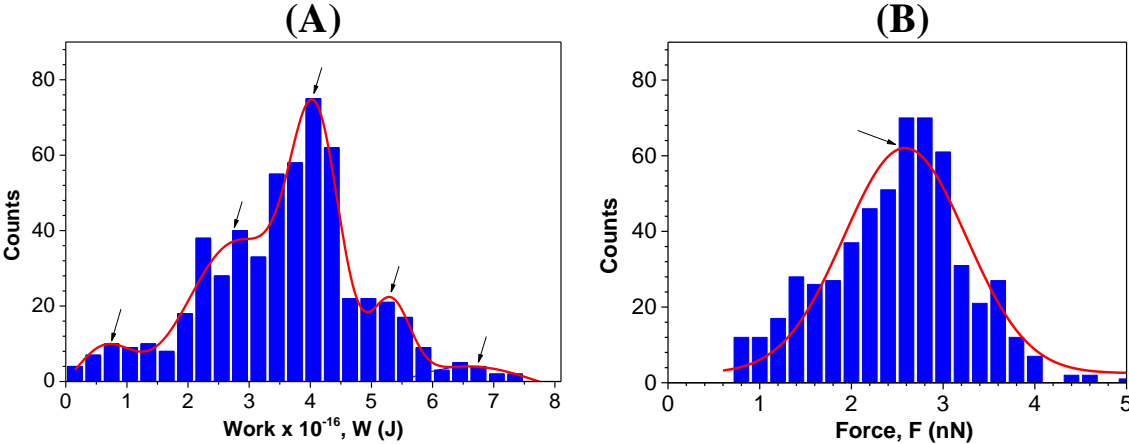
The table shows detail data points for maximum aggregation (%), speed/slope of aggregation (%/min), and lag phase (min).

Supplementary Figure 3. Confocal laser scanning microscopy images of platelets loaded with Ca^{2+} indicator Fluo4-AM.



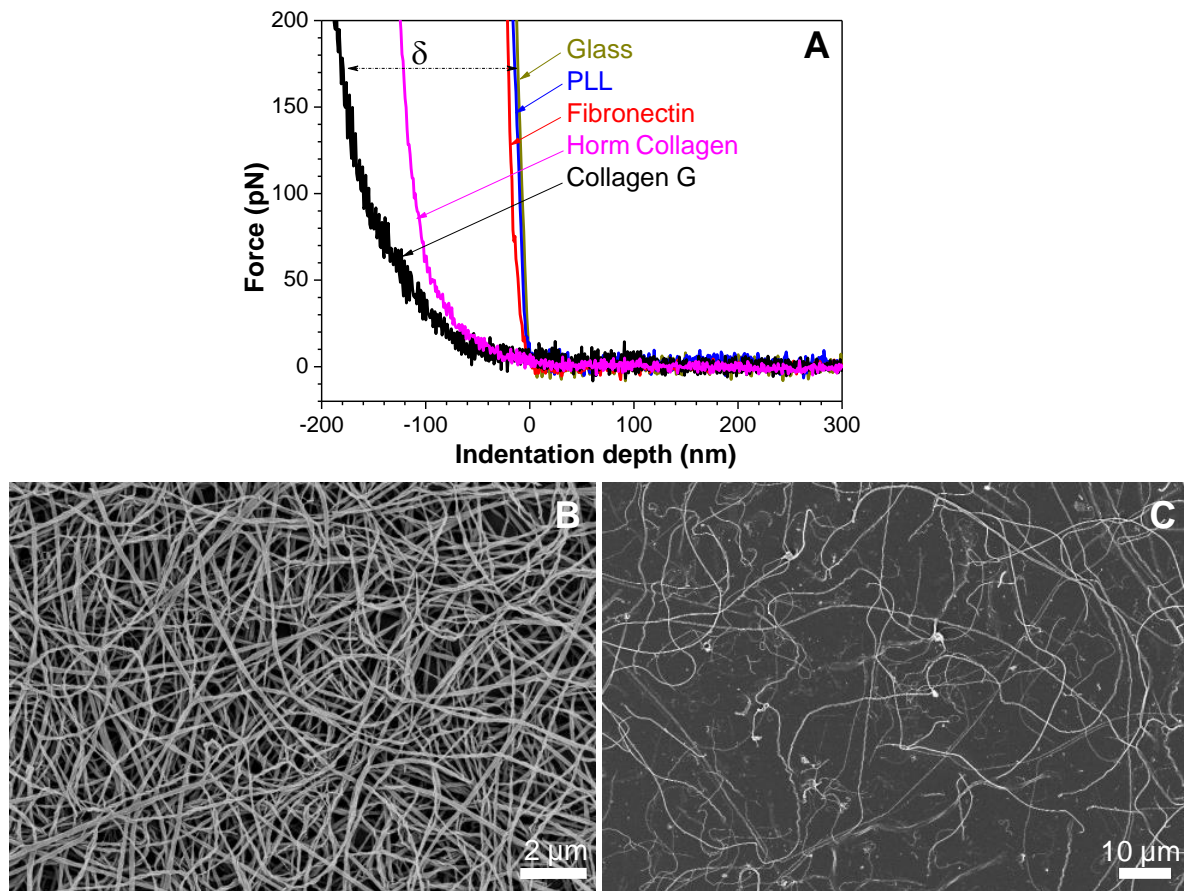
At any time point, highest calcium signaling level was from platelets on PLL (A-D), followed by Horm collagen (E-H), lower on fibronectin (K-N), and lowest on collagen G (O-R). Higher calcium signaling level indicates more activation and spreading of platelets.

Supplementary Figure 4. Comparison of force- and work- histogram distributions obtained when platelets were immobilized on PLL.



Multiple peaks (black arrows) can be clearly observed in the work histogram distribution (A), but not in the force histogram distribution (B).

Supplementary Figure 5. Characteristics of material-passivated substrates.



Stiffness of material-passivated surfaces measured by force-indentation method using a silica colloid probe. (A) Glass substrate (**dark yellow**) was used as a reference hard material for determination of the indentation depth (σ) formed by other soft materials. No significant indentation depth was observed on PLL (**blue**) and fibronectin (**red**). Indentation depth was deeper on Horm collagen (**magenta**), and deepest on collagen G (**black**). Deeper indentation depth indicates that a thicker gel was formed on the substrate. The Young's modulus of the gel formed by collagen G was lower ($E = 1.561 \pm 0.013$ kPa) than that of Horm collagen ($E = 2.315 \pm 0.122$ kPa). The results indicate that a thick, but soft gel was formed by collagen G, a thinner and stiffer gel formed by Horm collagen, and much thinner layers were formed by fibronectin and PLL. SEM images also show that multiple layers were formed by collagen G (B) and thinner layers were formed by Horm collagen (C). Multiple layers formed by collagen G induced higher noise in the force-indentation curve as indicate by larger variation when the colloid probe was in contact with this layer. Horm collagen comprises fibers with different sizes, while collagen G consists of more uniform fibers.

Supplementary Movie 1: Confocal laser scanning microscopy movie of platelets loaded with Ca²⁺ indicator Fluo4-AM on PLL.

Supplementary Movie 2: Confocal laser scanning microscopy movie of platelets loaded with Ca²⁺ indicator Fluo4-AM on Horn collagen.

Supplementary Movie 3: Confocal laser scanning microscopy movie of platelets loaded with Ca²⁺ indicator Fluo4-AM on fibronectin.

Supplementary Movie 4: Confocal laser scanning microscopy movie of platelets loaded with Ca²⁺ indicator Fluo4-AM on collagen G.