

Dynamics of the formation of a hydrogel by a pathogenic amyloid peptide: islet amyloid polypeptide

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Supplementary information

Fig. 1. Rheological behaviour of DMSO in H₂O and linear viscoelastic region for IAPP in H₂O and D₂O. (a) Dynamic moduli G' and G'' as a function of time for DMSO in H₂O (*left panel*). G' and G'' as a function of oscillation displacement for a solution of 4 μM IAPP in H₂O (*right panel*). (b) G' and G'' as a function of oscillation displacement for a solution of 4 μM IAPP in D₂O. (c) Dynamic moduli G' and G'' as a function of time for 4 μM liposomes in H₂O.

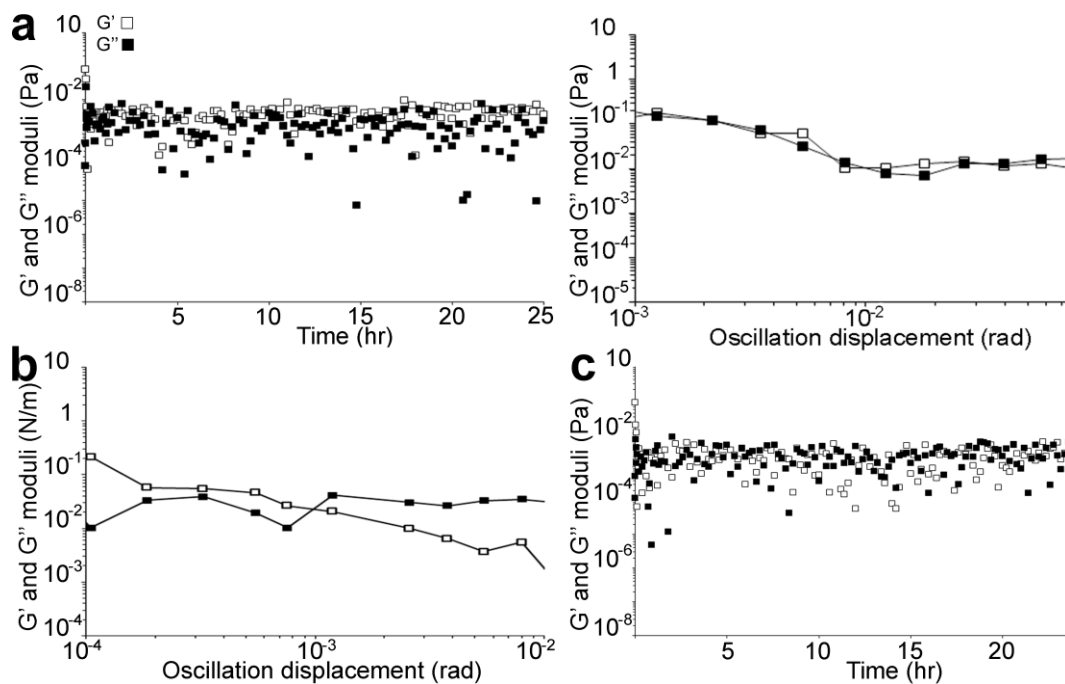


Fig. 2. Lag times of the gelation processes. (a) Zoom in on the lag phases of the rheology of a 4 μM IAPP solution in H_2O or D_2O . Dynamic moduli G' and G'' as a function of time are represented. (b) Zoom in on the lag phases of the rheology of a 4 μM IAPP solution in H_2O in presence of 4 μM liposomes (7 DOPC:3 DOPG). Dynamic moduli G' and G'' as a function of time are represented.

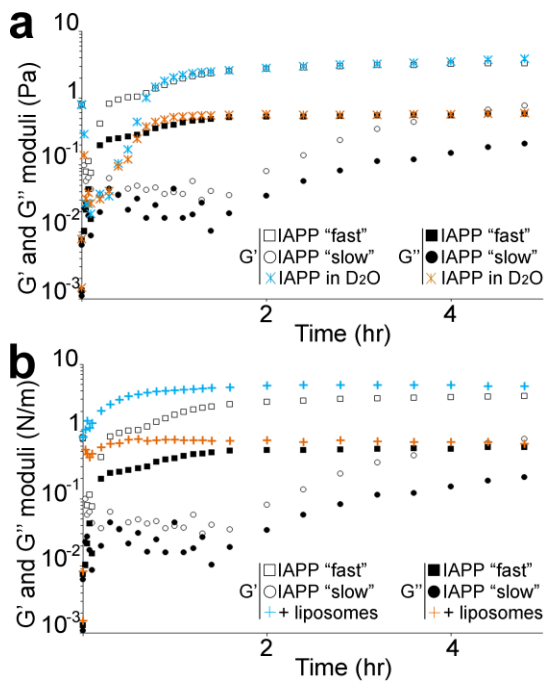


Fig. 3. IAPP forms a 3D hydrogel by following two distinct kinetic regimes, which formation is dependent on HHI. Rheological properties of a 4 μM IAPP solution in water, in absence (a) or presence (b) of 4 μM liposomes (7:3 ratio of DOPC to DOPG), were assessed at 25°C with a controlled displacement of 5×10^{-3} rads and a frequency of 0.5 Hz. The dynamic modulus G' as a function of time is represented. The *right panel* represents a zoom in over the lag phase time. Each curve represents independent experiments (6 independent experiments in (a) for which 3 showed the fast regime and 3 showed the slow regime). The black curve in (b) represents 5 independent replicates in presence of liposomes.

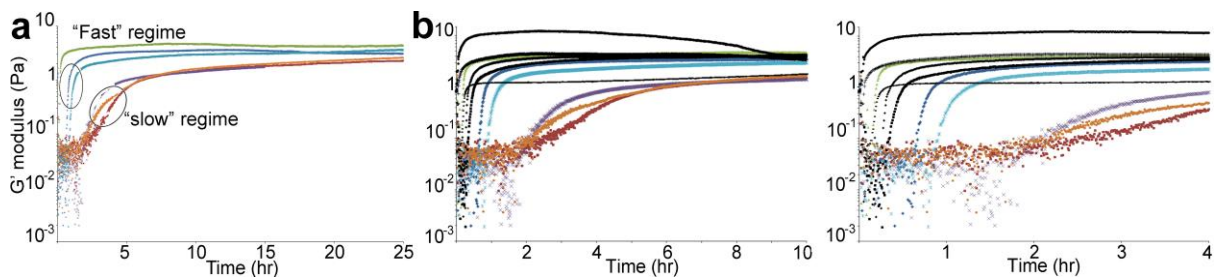


Fig. 4. Morphology of IAPP species from fibrillation reactions in H₂O or D₂O. 4 μM IAPP was incubated in PBS with 32 μM ThT in H₂O (a) or D₂O (b) at 37°C. Fibrillation reactions were harvested at plateau (as measured by ThT fluorescence). The solutions were adsorbed onto 200 mesh carbon film copper grids, negatively stained with 2% aqueous uranyl acetate, washed with distilled water, air dried, and viewed with a Tecnai electron microscope (Philips). Examples of sections of individual fibrils are shown by arrowheads.

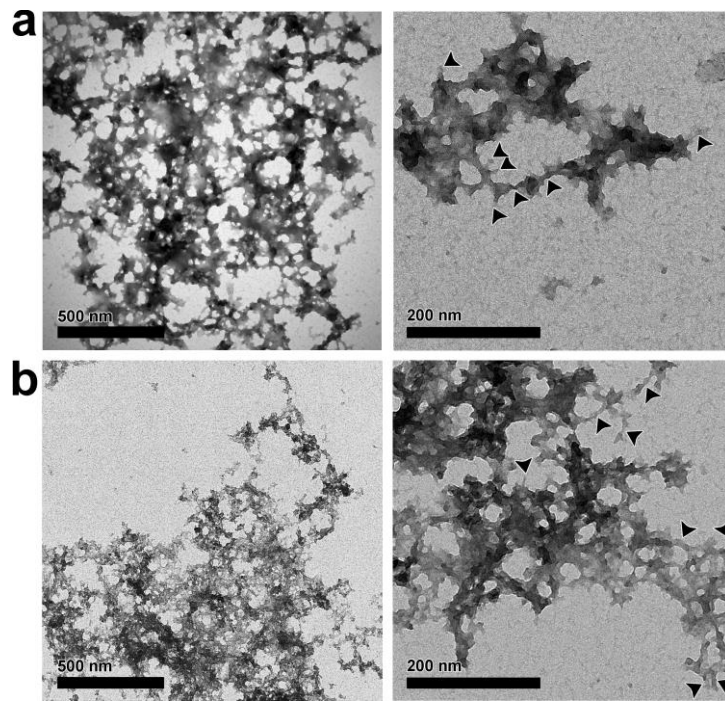


Fig. 5. Hypothetical model for how IAPP solution proceeds to become a gel. Starting from a solution of monomers, fibrillisation and phase separation of monomers and fibrils occur (potentially concurrently) and as a result, dispersed droplets of fibrils and monomers co-exist in the solution. The droplets then grow and coalesce, which leads to a depletion of droplets in the system. Gelation subsequently is initiated within the remaining droplets. Finally, the gelled droplets percolate the whole system.

