

**Fig S1.** Simulated parts of fibrinogen. Crystal structure 3GHG with highlighted regions used for MD simulations.  $\gamma$ -nodule contains amino acids  $\gamma 148 - \gamma 394$ , coiled-coil connector contains amino acids  $A\alpha 70 - A\alpha 126$ ,  $B\beta 101 - B\beta 157$  and  $\gamma 47 - \gamma 97$ . A $\alpha$  chain is shown in magenta, B $\beta$  chain in red and  $\gamma$  chain in orange. Note that following parts of fibrinogen are missing in the crystal structure:  $A\alpha 1 - A\alpha 26$ ,  $A\alpha 213 - A\alpha 610$ ,  $B\beta 1 - B\beta 57$ ,  $B\beta 459 - B\beta 461$ ,  $\gamma 1$ ,  $\gamma 396 - \gamma 411$ .