## SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES AND TABLES

## Delicate balance among thermal stability, binding affinity, and conformational space explored by single-domain $V_HH$ antibodies

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Figure S1. SPR response profiles (raw) of the antibodies. Fitting curves are shown in grey lines.



Figure S2. Binding curve from SPR analysis of the G78A mutant. Due to the low affinity  $(K_D = 7.11 \times 10^{-6} \text{ M})$ , the affinity was determined by steady state analysis.



Figure S3. A cavity observed inside the predicted structure of Z18. (A) The superposed structures of Z18 (green) and Z26 (blue). The sliced models of (B) Z18 and (C) Z26. The cavity is highlighted by a red circle in (A) and (B).



Figure S4. RMSD of  $C\alpha$ -atoms of entire antibody structures. The average and standard deviation are calculated using the last 500 ns trajectories and are provided in the parenthesis in each simulation.



Figure S5. Substantial overlaps between the first half (straight line) and last half (dotted line) of each trajectory.



Figure S6. RMSD of  $C\alpha$ -atoms of each CDRs. The average and standard deviation are calculated using the last 500 ns trajectories and are provided in the parenthesis in each simulation.



**Figure S7. Fraction of native contacts.** The average and standard deviation are calculated using the last 500 ns trajectories and are provided in the parenthesis in each simulation.

Table S1. Structural templates used in antibody modeling. The PDB ID is shown for each component.

	Z18	Z26
CDR-H1	4krn	4qlr
CDR-H2	4qo1	4qo1
CDR-H3	5en2	2vyr
FRH	409h	1dlf

**Table S2. Convergence of each trajectory.** The average and standard deviation are calculated using the last 500 ns trajectories.

	Z18	Z18-	Z18-G32D-R50L-	Z26
		G78A	G78A-S133R	
RUN-1	$4.0 \pm 0.6^{1}$	2.9 ± 0.6	2.4 ± 0.2	2.6 ± 0.2
RUN-2	$3.0 \pm 0.3$	2.3 ± 0.2	2.9 ± 0.2	3.5 ± 0.4
RUN-3	2.3 ± 0.2	3.1 ± 0.2	2.8 ± 0.2	2.6 ± 0.3
RUN-4	2.9 ± 0.3	2.7 ± 0.3	2.3 ± 0.2	2.5 ± 0.4
RUN-5	$2.4 \pm 0.3$	$3.1 \pm 0.2$	$2.2 \pm 0.3$	$2.1 \pm 0.2$

<sup>1</sup> Since the RMSD values deviated from those of the other 4 simulations, we have excluded the trajectory from subsequent analyses.