

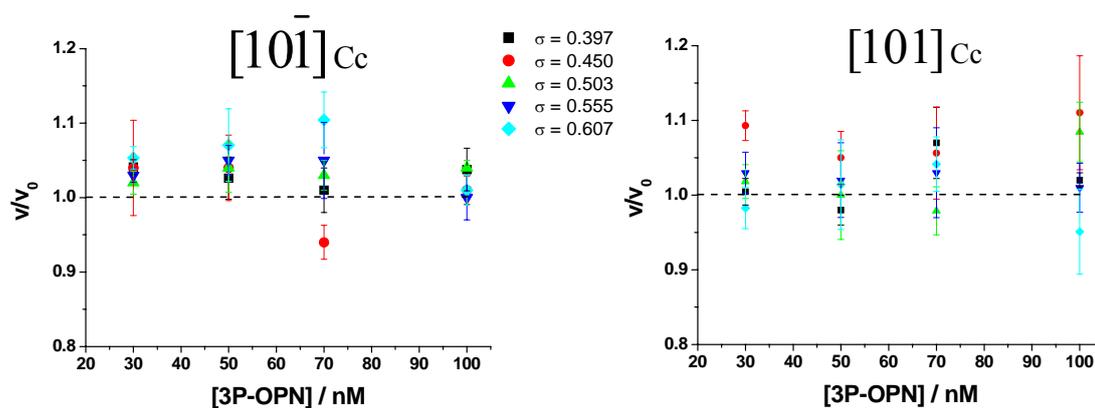
## Supporting Information

### Inhibition of Pathological Mineralization of Calcium Phosphate by Phosphorylated Osteopontin Peptides through Step-Specific Interactions

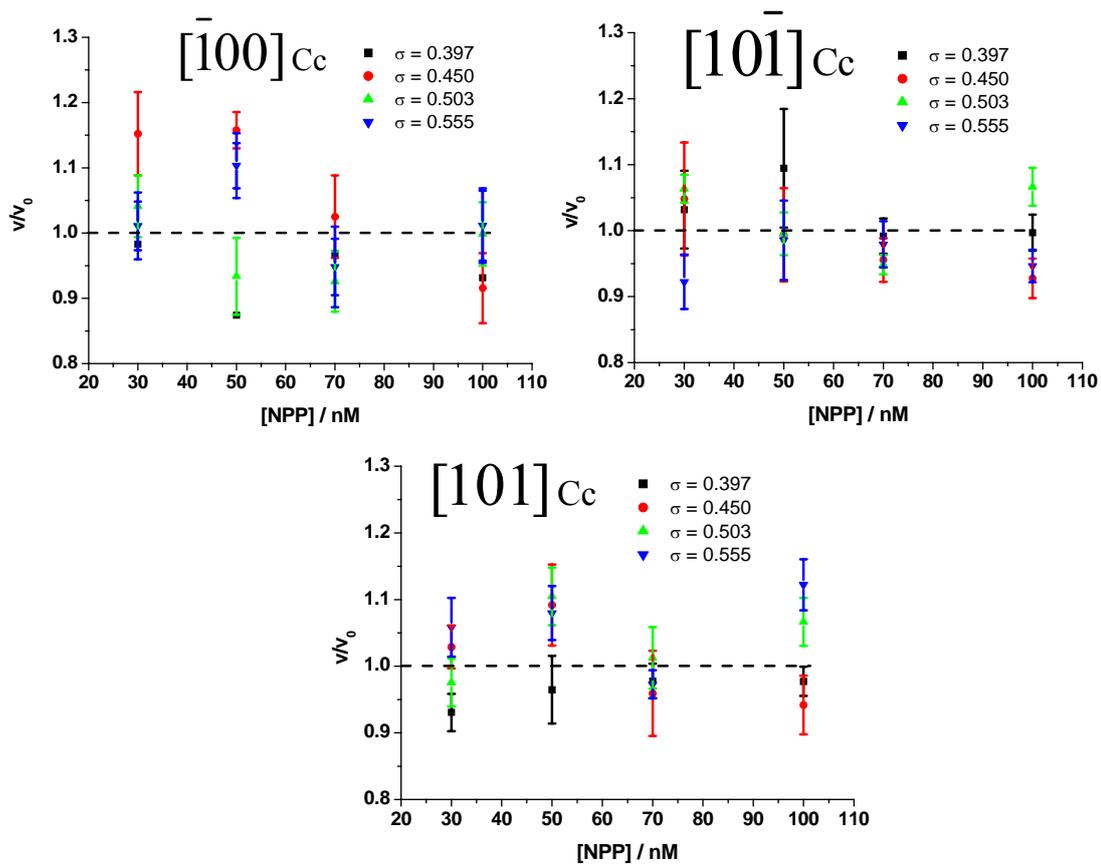
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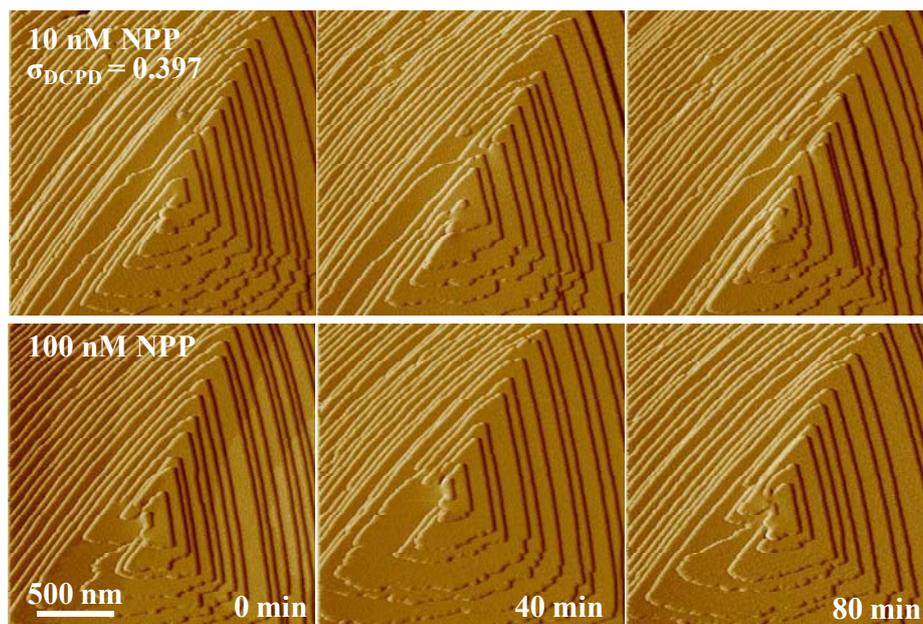
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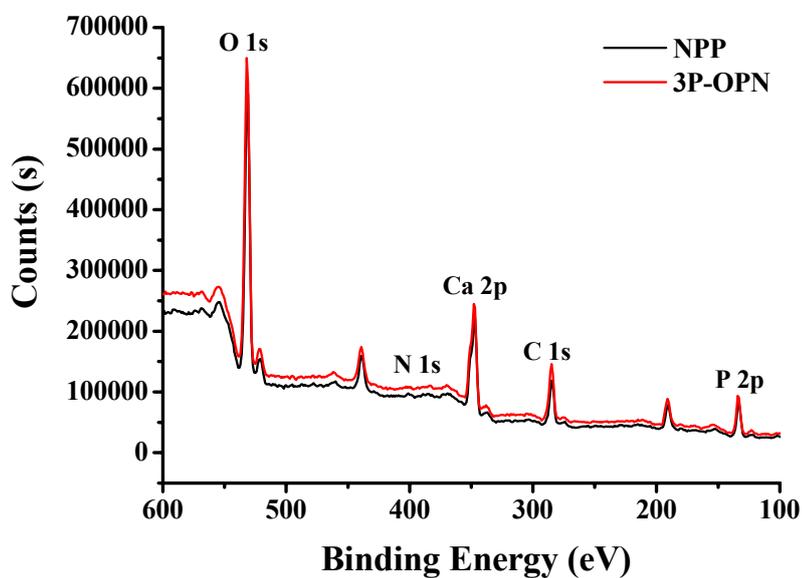
**Figure S1.** Plots of the  $[10\bar{1}]_{Cc}$  and  $[101]_{Cc}$  step velocity relative to peptide-free system vs. 3P-OPN concentration at various supersaturations ( $\sigma$ ). There was no obvious change in the spreading rates of both steps in the absence and presence of 3P-OPN. Although the measured step velocities were not perfectly constant, the maximum variation is smaller than about 10%.



**Figure S2.** Plots of the  $[\bar{1}00]_{Cc}$ ,  $[10\bar{1}]_{Cc}$  and  $[101]_{Cc}$  step velocity relative to peptide-free system vs. NPP concentration at various supersaturations ( $\sigma$ ). There was no significant change in the spreading rates of the three steps in the absence and presence of NPP.



**Figure S3.** AFM deflection images showing the effect of NPP on growth hillock morphology at  $\sigma = 0.397$  before and after 40 min and 80 min of addition of 10 or 100 nM NPP, revealing the absence of the obvious change of step density of the  $[10\bar{1}]_{Cc}$ ,  $[\bar{1}00]_{Cc}$ , and  $[101]_{Cc}$  steps.



**Figure S4.** High-resolution X-ray photoelectron spectra of the chemical composition of 3P-OPN or NPP adsorbed to DCPD crystallites.