## **Supporting Information**

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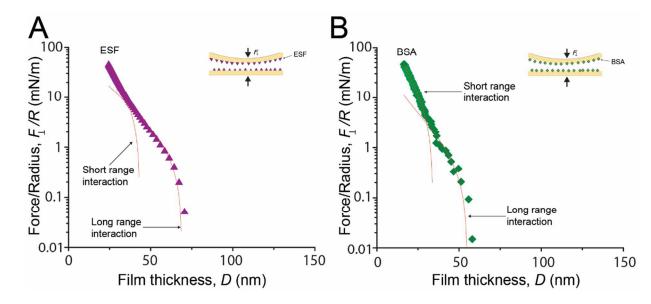


Figure S1. Semi-log plots of representative curves of the normal force  $F_{\perp}$  normalized by the surface radius of curvature R as a function of the film thickness D. (A) ESF (purple triangles) and (B) BSA (dark green diamonds) adsorbed to mica (no Fn). Red lines indicate AdG fits to Eq. 1 from main text.

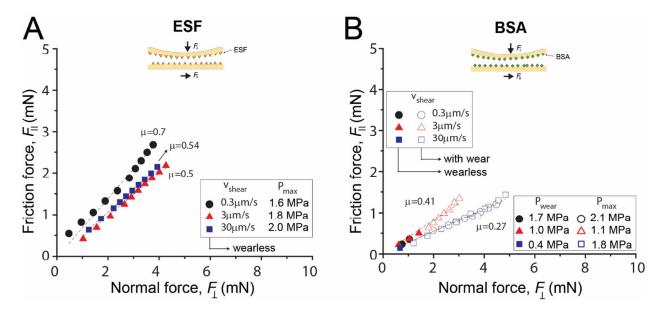
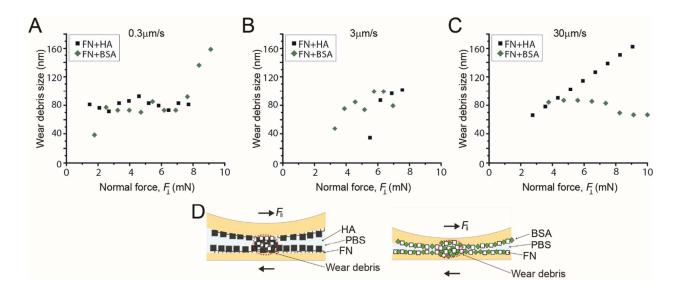


Figure S2. Friction force  $F_{\parallel}$  as a function of normal force  $F_{\perp}$  between (A) mica surfaces with adsorbed ESF and (B) with adsorbed BSA sheared in PBS. The surfaces were sheared at sliding velocities of V = 0.3  $\mu$ m/s (black circles), V = 3  $\mu$ m/s (red triangles), and V = 30  $\mu$ m/s (blue squares). Open symbols for BSA indicate measurements after the surfaces became damaged.

## Particulate formation and evolution



**Figure S3.** Average size of debris measured in the shearing junction as a function of normal force  $F_{\perp}$  at sliding velocities of (A) V = 0.3  $\mu$ m/s, (B) V = 3  $\mu$ m/s, and (C) V = 30  $\mu$ m/s for mica surfaces with adsorbed FN and HA (black squares), and with adsorbed FN and BSA (green diamonds). (D) Schematic representation of FN+HA+mica and FN+BSA+mica debris confined between surfaces. White squares indicate the presence of FN.