

*Electronic Supplementary Information*

**Controllable formation of aromatic nanoparticles in a  
three-dimensional hydrodynamic flow focusing  
microfluidic device**

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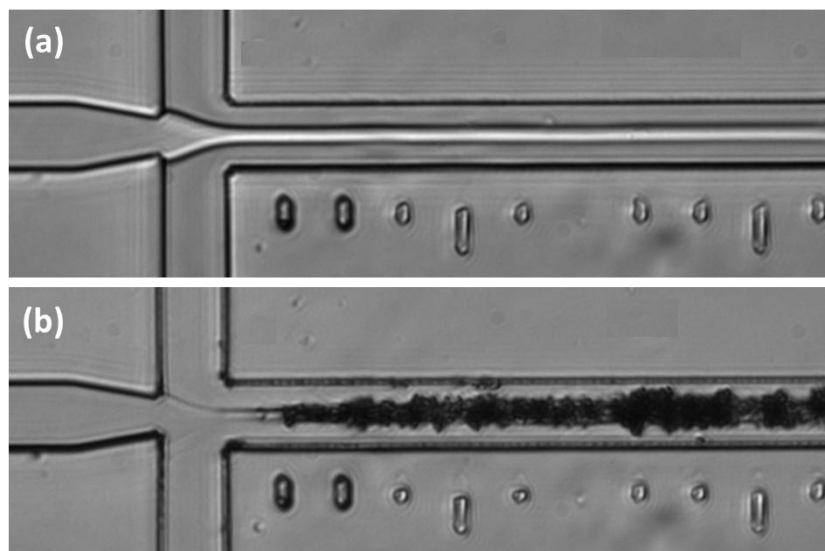


Fig. S1 Formation of aromatic NPs in a 2DHFF device. Central stream: 400  $\mu$ M FTAEA in DMF/water (75/25, volume ratio) solution. Side streams: nanopurified water. (a) At the beginning of the experiment. (b) After 3 minutes running of the experiment. Aggregates severely stick on channel surfaces.

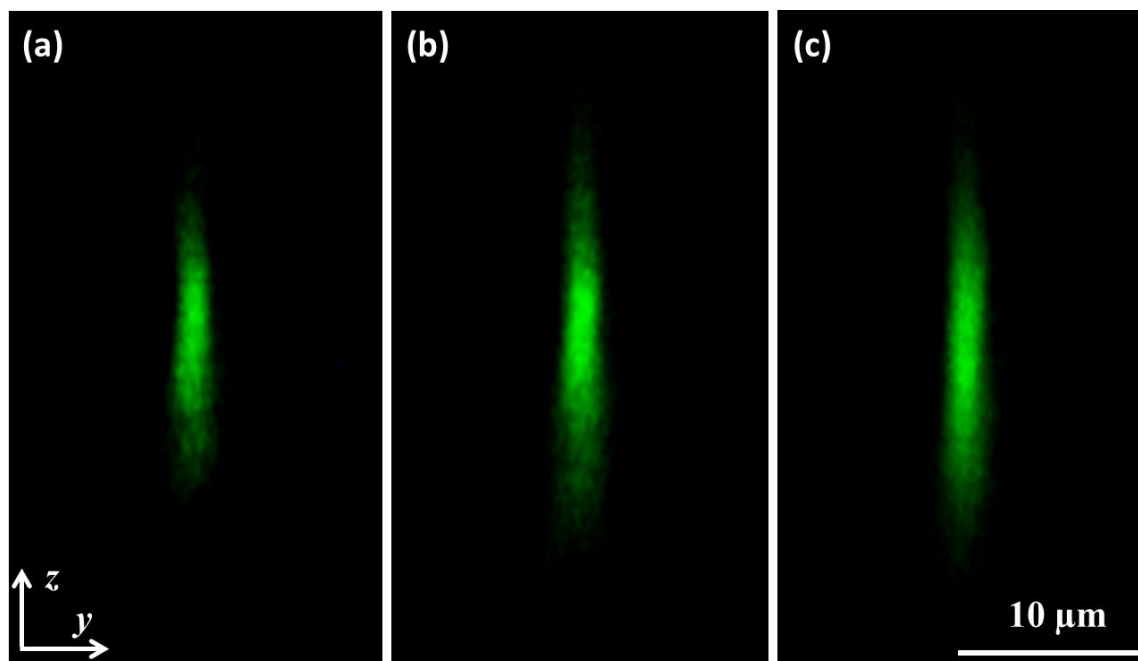


Fig. S2 Cross section images of 3D focused streams at different flow conditions, taken at 40  $\mu\text{m}$  downstream at cross section B in Fig. 1b. Flow rates in experiments:  $Q_{\text{bf1}}-Q_{\text{bf2}}-Q_{\text{Sa}}-Q_{\text{wt}}$   $\mu\text{l}/\text{min}$  (a) 1.1-1.1-0.3-20; (b) 1-1-0.5-20; (c) 0.85-0.85-0.8-20.

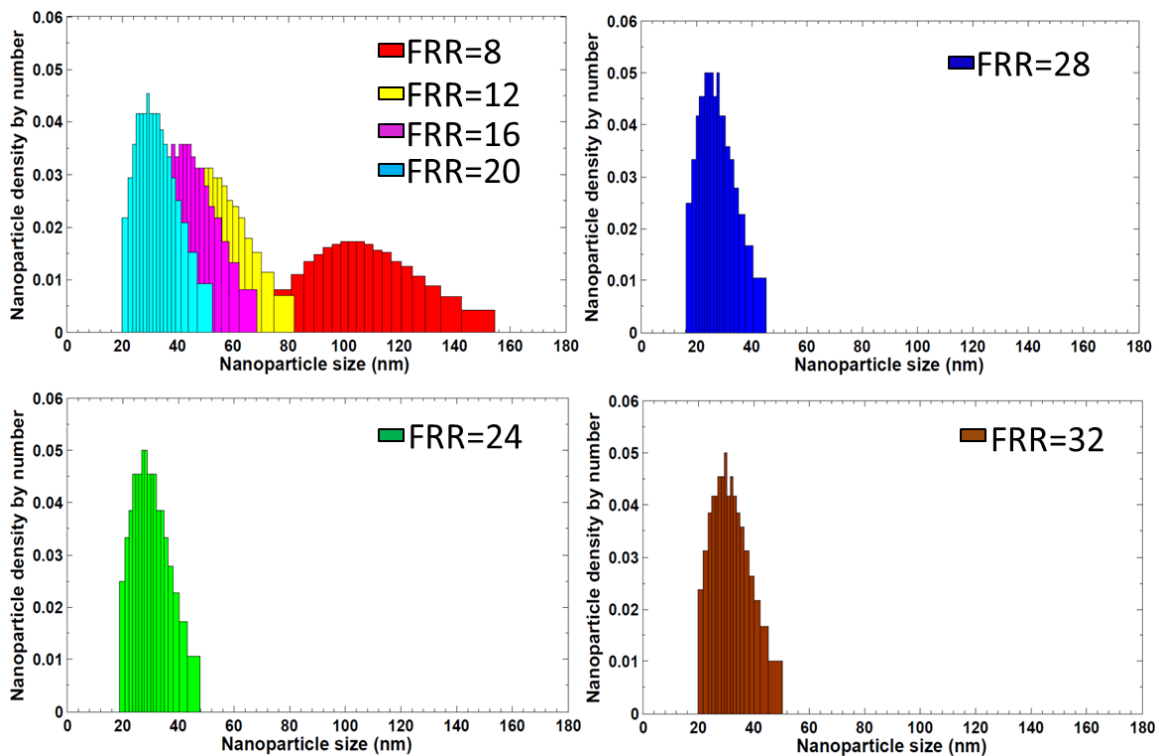


Fig. S3 DLS measurements of self-assembled FTAEA NPs at different FRR conditions with the sample stream containing an FTAEA initial concentration of 10 mM.