## **Supplementary Information**

Figure S1 : Pictures of  $CNCAs_{14}$  and  $CNCAs_{20}$  dispersion, at 0.5 % w/w with (a)  $CNCAs_{14}$  after 1h, (b)  $CNCAs_{14}$  after 24h, (c)  $CNCAs_{20}$  after 1h, (d)  $CNCAs_{20}$  after 24h.

Dispersions of CNCAs were allowed to rest at room temperature after 1 minute of sonication (with 3 sec on, 3 sec off at 20% power). Pictures were taken after 1 hour and after 24 hours



## Figure S2 : AFM observation of isolated $CNCAs_{14}$ particles in the continuous phase of the styrene-inwater emulsion.

The styrene-in-water emulsion (10/90 v/v) stabilized by CNCAs<sub>14</sub> nanoparticles (5 g/L of styrene) was prepared by sonication with an ultrasonic tip for 24 sec (with 3 sec on, 3 sec off at 30% power). The emulsion was allowed to rest at room temperature for 16h and centrifugated to accelerate the creaming of the large droplets. After removal of the cream, the continous phase was analyzed by liquid AFM, by pourring a single drop of the liquid on HOPG substrate (Highly Oriented Pyrolytic Graphite).



Figure S3 : SEC traces showing the bimodal distribution of the polystyrene latexes polymerized with (a) AIBN, (b) V70 and (c) Lauroyl peroxide as initiators.

For these experiments, salt-free samples were solubilized in THF (1% w/w) marked with 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene as flow marker, and injeced in a PL-GPC 50 Plus chromatograph.

