

Supporting information

Macroscale Assembly of Peptide Nanotubes

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(1) X-ray Powder Diffraction

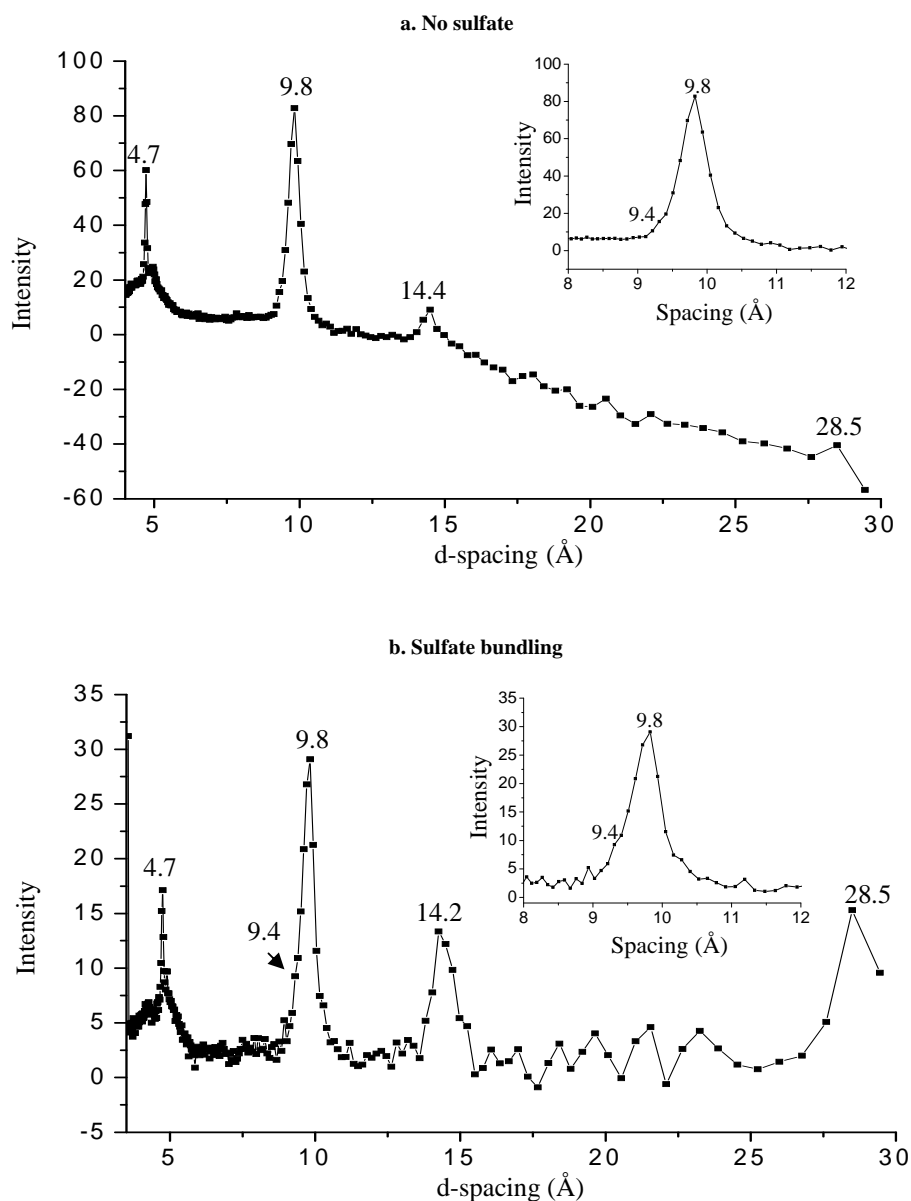


Fig. S1. Comparison of X-ray diffraction patterns of nanotubes before (a) and after (b) sulfate bundling. The typical cross- β conformation with $\sim 5\text{\AA}$ and $\sim 10\text{\AA}$ reflections are conserved. The presence of 9.4\AA reflection suggests the antiparallel β -sheet structure.

(2) Comparison of derived structure factors for nanotubes in salt solutions using form factors for a core-shell cylinder and a rectangular cross-section cylinder

The diameter of the nanotubes prior to bundling, 52 nm , and the repeat distance of 45.6 nm based on the first order peak at $Q \sim 0.0138\text{ \AA}^{-1}$ were used to determine the cross-section of the nanotubes. The tubes inside the bundles do not have a perfect square cross-section. Rather it fits better with a structure that is between a circle and a square, having square sides of length (l) and round edges of radius (r):

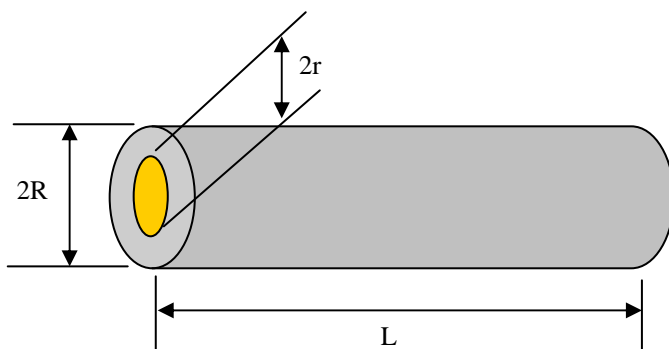
$$2r + l = 45.6 \quad (1)$$

$$2r + 4l = 52\text{ nm}$$

Solving these simultaneous equations gives $r = 11.09\text{ nm}$ and $l = 23.42\text{ nm}$

We compared the extracted structure factors using the form factors for core-shell cylinders with a circular ($r=26$ nm) and a square cross-section with $a = 41$ nm (Fig. 2S). In both cases, the peak positions are similar and consistent with a lamellar order.

Core-shell circular cylinder form factor:

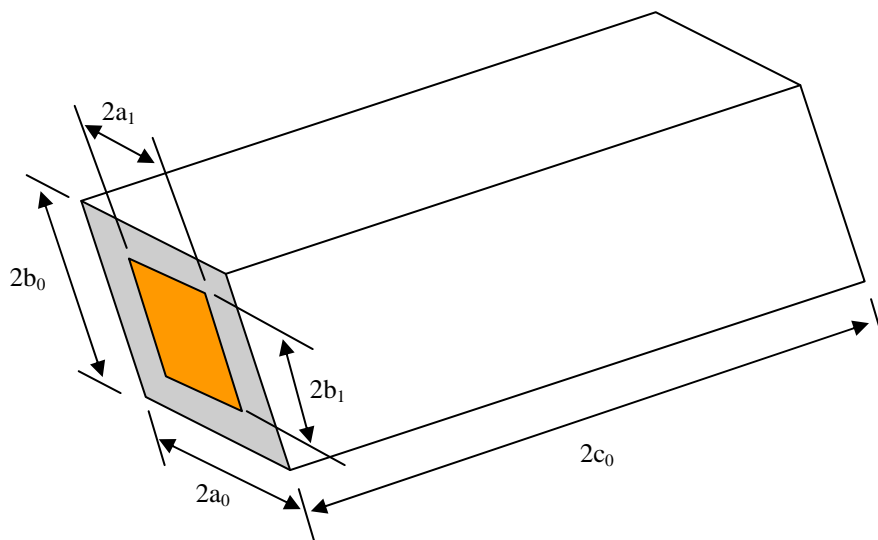


Eq. 1

$$F(q) = \frac{1}{\mathcal{G}} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[\left((\rho_R - \rho_{\text{solvent}}) R^2 \frac{2B_1(qR \sin \alpha)}{qR \sin \alpha} + (\rho_r - \rho_R) r^2 \frac{2B_1(qr \sin \alpha)}{qr \sin \alpha} \right) \frac{\sin((qL \cos \alpha)/2)}{(qL \cos \alpha)/2} \right]^2 \sin \alpha d\alpha$$

$$\mathcal{G} = \left[\left((\rho_R - \rho_{\text{solvent}}) R^2 + (\rho_r - \rho_R) r^2 \right) \right]^2$$

Generalized core-shell square cylinder form factor:



Eq. 2

$$F(q) = \frac{2}{\pi \psi} \int_0^{\pi/2} \int_0^{\pi/2} \left((\rho_0 - \rho_{\text{solvent}}) a_0 b_0 \phi(q, a_0, b_0, c_0, \alpha, \beta) + (\rho_1 - \rho_0) a_1 b_1 \phi(q, a_1, b_1, c_1, \alpha, \beta) \right)^2 \sin \alpha d\alpha d\beta$$

$$\psi = \left((\rho_0 - \rho_{\text{solvent}}) a_0 b_0 + (\rho_1 - \rho_0) a_1 b_1 \right)^2$$

$$\phi(q, a, b, c, \alpha, \beta) = \frac{\sin(qa \sin \alpha \cos \beta)}{qa \sin \alpha \cos \beta} \frac{\sin(qb \sin \alpha \sin \beta)}{qb \sin \alpha \sin \beta} \frac{\sin(qc \cos \alpha)}{qc \cos \alpha}$$

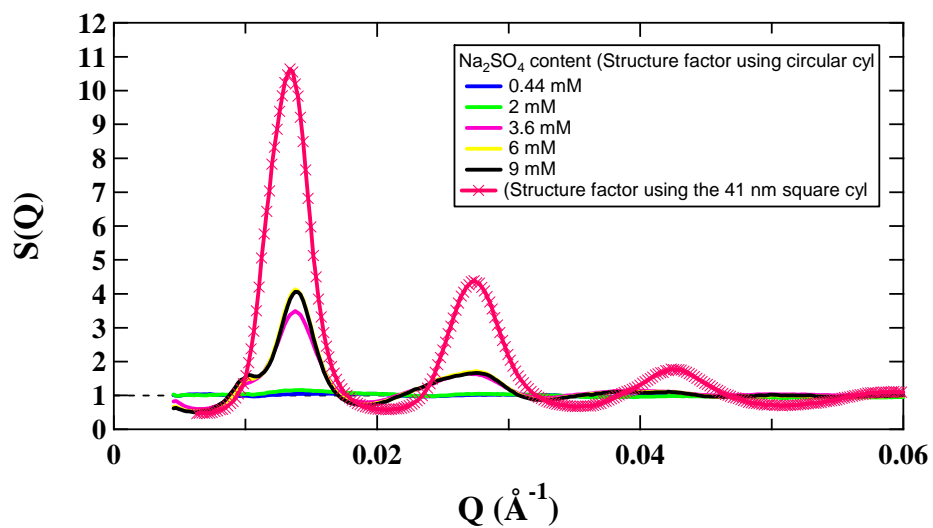


Fig. S2. Structure factor evaluations for different sulfate titrations using the form factors for core-shell cylinder with a circular cross-section ($r=26$ nm) and a square cross-section with a 41 nm width for the 9 mM sulfate titration. The peak intensity (red curve with markers for the 9 mM sulfate) is more pronounced, but the peak positions still correspond to the lamellar