## Supplementary Information

## Molecular Origin for Helical Winding of Fibrils Formed by Perfluorinated Gelators

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**Figure S1.** The <sup>19</sup>F NMR(564 MHz) spectrum of the CD<sub>3</sub>CN solution of *SS*-CF7;  $\delta$  = -82.11 (s, 6F, *CF*<sub>3</sub>), -120.35 (d, 2F, J = 288 Hz, *CF*<sub>2</sub>), -120.95 (d, 2F, J = 288 Hz, *CF*<sub>2</sub>), -122.84 (s, 4F, *CF*<sub>2</sub>), -123.63 (s, 4F, *CF*<sub>2</sub>), -123.84 (s, 4F, *CF*<sub>2</sub>), -127.18 (s, 4F, *CF*<sub>2</sub>).

## Mass spectrum and elemental analyses of SS-CF7

Mass spectrum: m/z(1+) = calc. 806.28; found 806.

Elemental analyses: calcd for C<sub>20</sub>O<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>H<sub>12</sub>F<sub>26</sub>: C (29.29%); H (1.50%); N (3.47%);

found: C (29.71%); H (2.96%); N (3.66%).

Yield for *SS*-CF7: 14 %.

[α]	mg	FW	Conc. molL <sup>-1</sup>	[α] <sub>D</sub> deg/(molL <sup>-1</sup> cm) 589 nm
<i>SS</i> -CF7	14.3	806	0.0018	-4.7
RR-CF7	22.4	806	0.0048	3.1

**Table S1**. The optical rotatory dispersion of the THF solutions of CF7.



**Figure S2.** The results of differential scanning calorimetry for *SS*-CF7. Two endothermic peaks were observed at  $134.3^{\circ}$ C (9.09 cal g<sup>-1</sup>) and  $146.5^{\circ}$ C (2.59 cal g<sup>-1</sup>).



(a) (b)

**Figure S3.** (a) The dependence of the sol-gel temperature  $(T_g)$  on the concentration of a gelator  $(C_g)$  for *SS*-CF7: (a)  $T_g$  versus Cg; (lower); (b)  $\ln X_g$  ( $X_g$  = the molar ratio of a gelator ) versus  $1/T_g$ . The solvent was CH<sub>3</sub>CN. The results are analyzed according to the following Schröder-van Laar equation:

$$\ln Xg = \frac{\Delta H_{_{fus}}}{RT_{_g}} + \frac{\Delta H_{_{fus}}}{RT_{_{fus}}}$$

in which  $\Delta H_{fus}$  and  $T_{fus}$  are the enthalpy of sol-gel transition and the melting temperature of a gelator, respectively. The obtained thermodynamic parameters are listed in Table S2.

## Table S2 Thermodynamic parameters of gelation by SS-CF7

	$\Delta H_{fus}$ /kJ mol <sup>-1</sup>	T <sub>fus</sub> (K)
<i>SS</i> -CF7	69.3	450

(solvent: CH<sub>3</sub>CN).



Figure S4. The AFM imgae of a CD<sub>3</sub>CN gel of *SS*-CF7 cast on a silicon wafer.



Figure S5. The SEM image of a CH<sub>3</sub>CN gel of *RR*-CF7. The scale is indicated in the

figure.



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**Figure S6.** The X-ray diffraction pattern recorded on a powder sample of *SS*-CF7 (wavelength: 1.54 nm from CuK $\alpha$ ) The measurements were performed with an X-ray diffractometer (Ultima IV, Rigaku. Japan). Peaks were indexed by assuming the unit cell of a = 2.00 nm, b = 1.34 nm and c = 0.50 ( $\alpha = \beta = \gamma = 90.0$  degree). Here the analyses were made by use of the SFC and EDA program for the optimized unit cell size (Kogure, T. *Journal of the crystallographic Society of Japan*, (2003) **45**, 391-395; http://www.gbs.eps.s.u-tokyo.ac.jp/kogure/edana).

	20	d /nm
crystal	4.42	2.00
	6.58	1.34
	7.18	1.23
	16.84	0.53
	17.66	0.50



**Figure S7.** The VCD spectra of the CD<sub>3</sub>CN solutions (5 gL<sup>-1</sup>); *RR*-CF7 (black) and *SS*-CF7 (red) and a CD<sub>3</sub>CN solvent (base line).



**Figure S8.** The VCD spectra of the CD<sub>3</sub>CN gel; *RR*-CF7 (pink) and *RR*-C7 (blue) (*RR*-C7 = *N*,*N*'-diheptanoyl-1,2(*R*,*R*)-diaminocyclohexane). The compound, *RR*-C7, was synthesized in the similar way as *RR*-CF7 by using heptanoyl chloride instead of perfluoroheptanoyl chloride.<sup>\*</sup> The figure shows that *RR*-CF7 exhibited a red shift in comparison to *RR*-C7, which was ascribed to the interchain interaction of C=O groups with the C<sub>6</sub>F<sub>13</sub> moiety. *RR*-CF7 formed a clear gel, while *RR*-C7 formed a turbid gel.

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**Figure S9.** The calculated IR and VCD spectra ; *RR*-CF7 (black) and *RR*-C7 (red). The figure shows that the observed red shift for *RR*-CF7 is also predicted theoretically.



**Figure S10.** The optimized conformation of a single molecule of *RR*-CF7; .(upper) the overviewed of the cyclohexyl ring and (lower) the sideviewof the cyclohexyl ring, in which one of the perfluorinated rings orients in the vertical direction from the paper.



**Figure S11.** The optimized structure of a pair of two *RR*-CF7 molecules when they are stacked in a parallel way. The upper molecule rotates with respect to the lower one in the right-hand direction. Two molecules are associated through the intermolecular hydrogen bondings between C=O and NH groups.

Table S3. Gelation by SS-CF7 for various solvents at 25 °C. The concentraion of a

gelator was 50 mg per 1mL of solvent.

	SS-CF7
acetonitrile	• (CG)
Benzene	X***
Toluene	Х
trifluoromethylbenzene	$\circ$ (CG)
dimethylsulfoxide	o (TG)
2,2,2-trifuloroethanol	Х
silicon oil	Х
perfluorotoulene	o (TG)
perfluorobenzene	o (TG)

\* CG = clear gel, \*\*TG = turbid gel, \*\*\*X = crystal precipitated.

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