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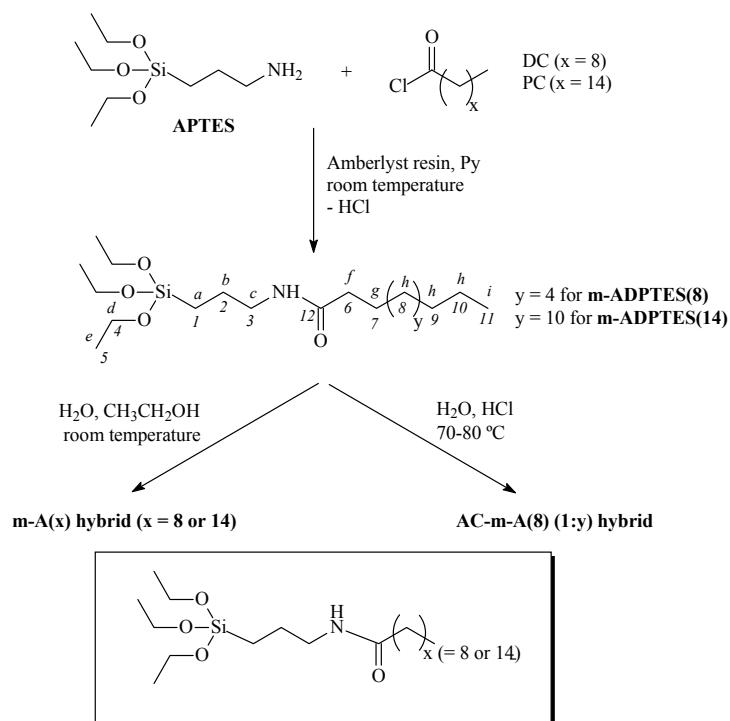
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## Supplementary information Water-Mediated Structural Tunability of Alkyl/siloxane Hybrid: from Amorphous to Lamellar Structure or Bilamellar Superstructure

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**10 Scheme S1.** Synthetic procedure of the m-A(x) and AC-m-A(8) (1:y) mono-amidosils. PC is palmitoyl chloride e DC is decanoyl chloride



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**Table S1.** Relevant details of the synthesis of the m-A(x) and AC-mA(8) (1:y) mono-amidosils

Materials	m-ADPTES(x) mono-amidosil precursors	
	x = 14 <sup>l</sup>	x = 8
DC/PC	1.000 mL (3.30 mmol)	1.000 mL (4.80 mmol)
APTES	0.774 mL (3.30 mmol)	1.132 mL (4.80 mmol)
Amberlyst resin	0.841 g (3.90 mmol)	1.333 g (6.20 mmol)
Py	53 µL (0.66 mmol)	77 µL (0.90 mmol)
THF	30 mL	40 mL

Materials	m-A(x) mono-amidosils <i>via</i> the classical route	
	x = 14 <sup>l</sup>	x = 8
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	769 µL (13.2 mmol)	1.124 mL (19.3 mmol)
H <sub>2</sub> O	118 µL (6.60 mmol)	173 µL (9.63 mmol)
THF	10 mL	10 mL
H <sub>2</sub> O	-	-
HCl (1M)	-	-

Materials	m-A(8) (1:y) mono-amidosil <i>via</i> the acid-catalyzed hydrolytic route	
	y = 600	y = 300
CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	-	-
H <sub>2</sub> O	-	-
THF	-	-
H <sub>2</sub> O	51.8 mL (2880 mmol)	25.9 mL (1440 mmol)
HCl (1M)	960 µL (0.96 mmol)	960 µL (0.96 mmol)

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**ARTICLE TYPE****Table S2.**  $^1\text{H}$  [ $\text{CDCl}_3$ ;  $\delta$  (ppm),  $J$ (Hz)] and  $^{13}\text{C}$  [ $\text{CDCl}_3$ ;  $\delta$  (ppm)] NMR and FT-IR data of the m-ADPTES(8) precursor.

					<b>NMR</b>	
$^1\text{H}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )					$^{13}\text{C}$ ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )	
$\delta$ (ppm)		$J$ (Hz)		Attribution	$\delta$ (ppm)	Attribution
4.02	6H	q	6.9	$\text{H}^{\text{d}}$	176.4	$\text{C}^{12}$
3.55	2H	q	6.8	$\text{H}^{\text{c}}$	57.71	$\text{C}^4$
2.15	2H	t	7.0	$\text{H}^{\text{f}}$	41.78	$\text{C}^3$
1.66-1.59	4H	m	-	$\text{H}^{\text{b}}, \text{H}^{\text{g}}$	36.42	$\text{C}^6$
1.257-1.201	21H	m	-	$\text{H}^{\text{e}}$ and $\text{H}^{\text{h}}$	31.64	$\text{C}^9$
0.899-0.849	3H	t	6.4	$\text{H}^{\text{i}}$	29.28-28.9	$\text{C}^8$ (4C)
0.60	2H	m	-	$\text{H}^{\text{a}}$	25.37	$\text{C}^7$
					24.77	$\text{C}^2$
					22.43	$\text{C}^{10}$
					18.05	$\text{C}^5$
					13.99	$\text{C}^{11}$
					13.83	$\text{C}^1$
<b>FT-IR</b>						
$\bar{V}$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	Attribution					
3293	$\text{vNH}$					
3082	$\text{vNH}$					
2955	$\text{v}_{\text{as}}\text{CH}_3$					
2925	$\text{v}_s\text{CH}_2$					
1737	$\text{vC=O}$					
1644	$\text{vC=O}$					
1551	$\delta\text{NH}$					

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Table S3.  $^{13}\text{C}$  CP/MAS and  $^{29}\text{Si}$  MAS NMR data of the m-A(x) and AC-m-(8) (1:600) mono-amidosils.

$^{13}\text{C}$ CP/MAS				$^{29}\text{Si}$ MAS			
m-A(x)	$\delta$ (ppm)	AC-m-A(8)	Attribution	m-A(x)	$\delta$ (ppm) (A <sup>a</sup> )	AC-m-A(8) (1:600)	Attribution
x = 8	x = 14 <sup>b</sup>	(1.600)		x = 8	x = 14 <sup>l</sup>		
174	174	173	C <sup>12</sup>	-53.8 (13.7)	-49.5 (8.5)	-53.1 (3.4)	T <sup>1</sup>
42	42	43	C <sup>3</sup>	-58.9 (33.4)	-57.8 (59.9)	-57.7 (50.2)	T <sup>2</sup>
36	36	37	C <sup>6</sup>	-66.9 (52.9)	-67.0 (31.6)	-66.1 (46.4)	T <sup>3</sup>
32	34	34	C <sup>9</sup>	83	74	73	c <sup>b</sup>
-	32	33	C <sup>8</sup> <i>trans</i>	R Si(OH) <sub>0.6</sub> (O) <sub>1.2</sub>	R Si(OH) <sub>1.1</sub> (O) <sub>0.8</sub>	R Si(OH) <sub>1.2</sub> (O) <sub>0.7</sub>	Empirical Formula
30	-	30	C <sup>8</sup> <i>gauche</i>				
26	26	27	C <sup>7</sup>				
23	24	24	C <sup>2</sup> /C <sup>10</sup>				
-	-	23	C <sup>10</sup>				
14	14	14	C <sup>11</sup>				
11	11	12	C <sup>1</sup>				

<sup>a</sup> Integrated area in %; <sup>b</sup> c (polycondensation degree) = 1/3(%T<sup>1</sup> + 2%T<sup>2</sup> + 3%T<sup>3</sup>) $\times$ 100; <sup>c</sup> R' = CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>x</sub>C(=O)NH-(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>

**ARTICLE TYPE****Table S4.** Characteristic bands of FT-IR and FT-Raman of the m-A(x) and AC-m-A(8) (1:600) mono-amidosils in the  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$ ,  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$ ,  $\delta\text{CH}_2$ , amide I, amide II modes and  $\nu\text{C-C}$  region.  
Wavenumbers in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ .

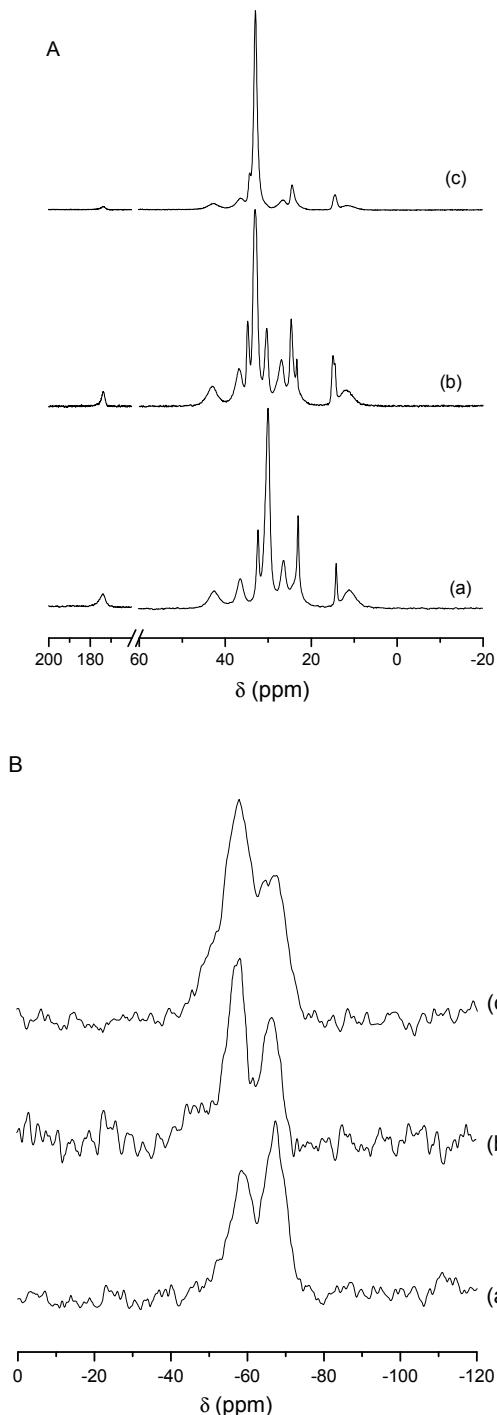
FT-IR (fwhm) ( $\text{\AA}^a$ ) ( $I^b$ )	FT-Raman	m-A(x)		AC-m-A(8) (1:600)		Attribution	
		x = 8	x = 14	FT-IR (fwhm) ( $\text{\AA}$ ) ( $I^b$ )	FT-Raman	FT-IR (fwhm) ( $\text{\AA}$ ) ( $I^b$ )	FT-Raman
2929	-	2929	-	2925	-	-	2925
2929 (34) (45) (0.28)	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fermi Resonance of $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$ fundamental with $\delta\text{CH}_2$ overtones
-	-	2890	2919 (21) (52) (2.2)	-	-	2924 (29) (49) (0.95)	-
-	-	-	-	2880	-	-	$\nu_a\text{CH}_2$
-	-	2851	-	2858	-	-	2881
2856 (10) (11) (0.16)	-	-	2850 (10) (19) (1.5)	-	-	-	2860
-	-	-	-	2845	-	-	$\nu_s\text{CH}_2$
1676 (34) (12) (0.073)	-	-	-	-	-	-	2846
1657 (24) (19) (0.13)	-	1652 (27) (24) (0.46)	-	-	-	-	“free” C=O groups
1643 (20) (17) (0.23)	-	1640 (17) (33) (0.96)	-	1656 (28) (18) (0.38)	-	-	disordered aggregates
1626 (20) (10) (0.11)	-	1625 (15) (5) (0.17)	-	1640 (20) (22) (0.62)	-	-	ordered aggregates
1560 (38) (25) (0.12)	-	1560 (24) (23) (0.48)	-	1622 (29) (20) (0.40)	-	-	ordered aggregates
1540 (31) (16) (0.14)	-	1545 (25) (15) (0.32)	-	1558 (35) (21) (0.34)	-	-	amide II
-	-	-	-	1542 (34) (19) (0.33)	-	-	1127
-	-	1121	-	-	-	-	all-trans conformations
-	-	1078	-	-	-	-	<i>gauche</i> conformations
-	-	1064	-	-	-	-	<i>gauche</i> conformations
-	-	-	1062	-	-	-	<i>gauche</i> conformations
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	all-trans conformations

Integrated area in %, b – intensity; fwhm - full width at half maximum

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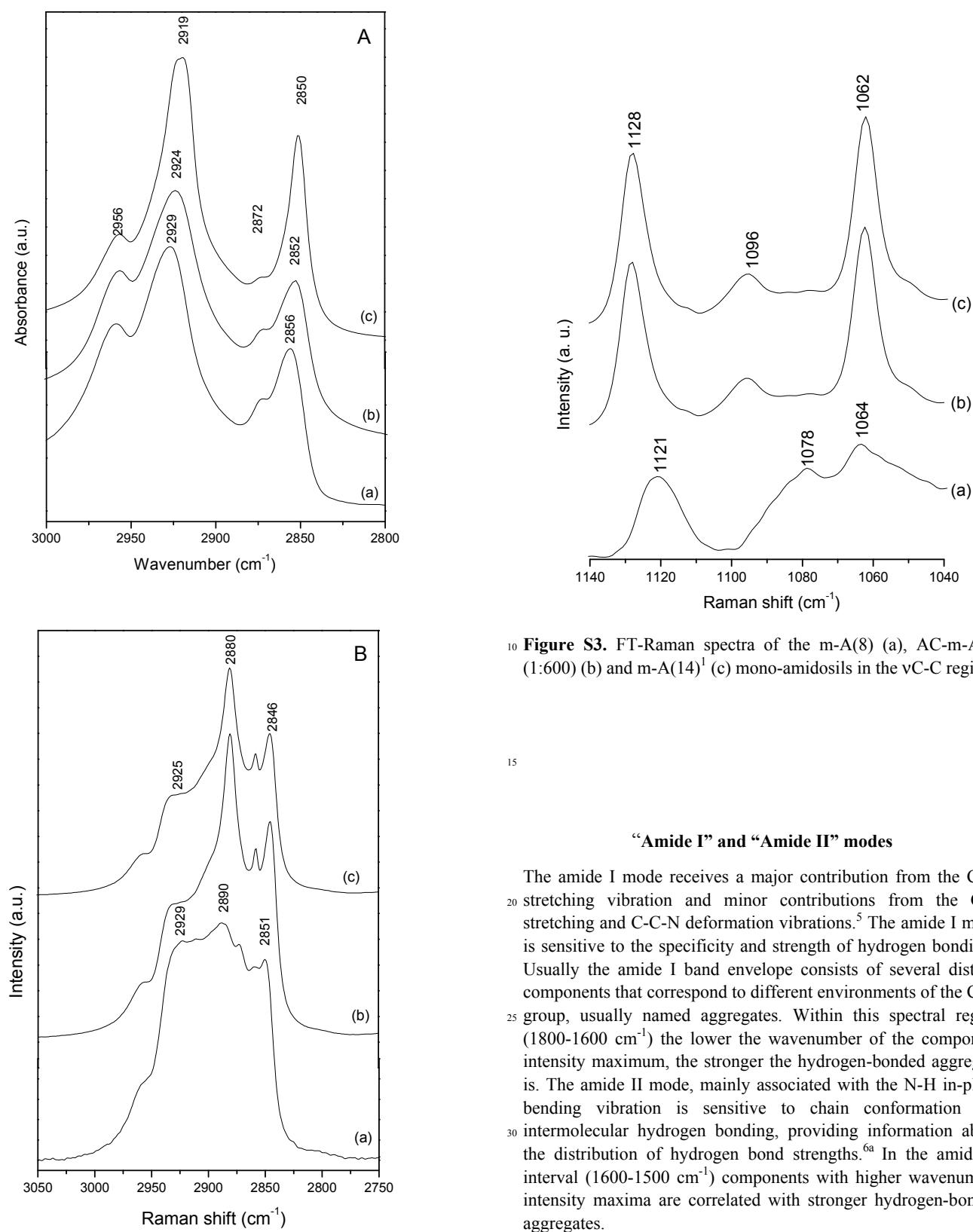


**Figure S1.** <sup>13</sup>C CP/MAS (A) and <sup>29</sup>Si MAS (B) NMR spectra of the m-A(8) (a), AC-m-A(8) (1:600) (b) and m-A(14)<sup>1</sup> (c) mono-s amidosils

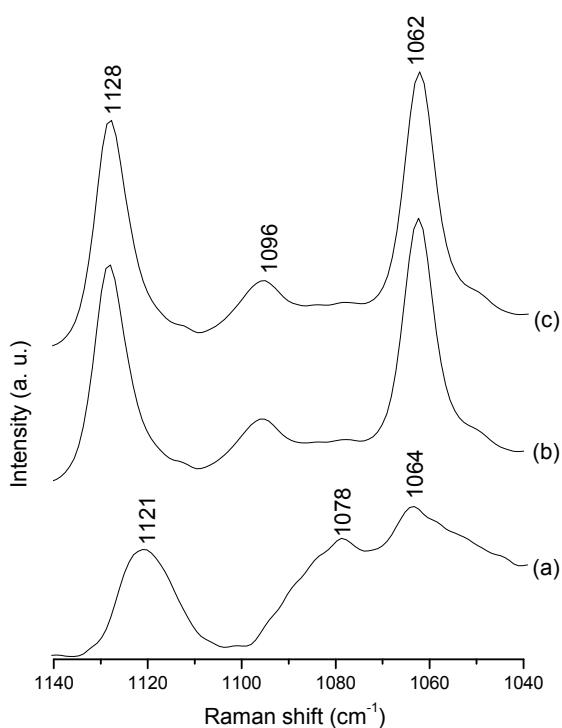
#### Symmetric and asymmetric stretching CH<sub>2</sub> modes ( $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$ and $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$ , respectively).

The FT-IR  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  and  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$  bands of *all-trans* conformations of crystalline alkyl chains appear in the 2846–2849 and 2919–2918 cm<sup>-1</sup> ranges, respectively.<sup>2,3</sup> In the case of *gauche* conformations, the FT-IR  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  and  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$  bands undergo a shift to higher wavenumbers and are typically observed at 2856–2858 and 2924–2928 cm<sup>-1</sup>, respectively.<sup>2,3</sup> The frequency, width and height of the FT-IR  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  and  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$  bands are sensitive to the *gauche/trans* conformer ratio and to the intermolecular interactions between the alkyl chains.<sup>3</sup>

In the FT-Raman spectrum of crystalline alkyl chains (*all-trans* conformations) the  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$  mode appears as a strong band in the 2884–2878 cm<sup>-1</sup> region and the  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  mode gives rise to bands at 2930 cm<sup>-1</sup> (weak, w), 2900–2898 cm<sup>-1</sup> (medium, m) and 2850–2844 cm<sup>-1</sup> (strong, S).<sup>2c-e,3,4</sup> In the case of disordered alkyl chains (*gauche* conformations), the Raman  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$  mode was reported at 2897–2890 cm<sup>-1</sup> and the  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  bands typically developed at 2920 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m), 2904 cm<sup>-1</sup> (m) and 2858–2853 cm<sup>-1</sup> (S).<sup>2c-e,3,4</sup> The location and intensity of the Raman  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  mode is complicated because of Fermi resonance between the  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  fundamental with the many overtones of the CH<sub>2</sub> bending ( $\delta\text{CH}_2$ ) vibrations.<sup>2c,2d, 2e,2e,3b</sup> The  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  mode is affected by coupling to the torsional and rotational motions of the chain.<sup>2c,2d, 2e,3b</sup>



**Figure S2.** FT-IR (A) and FT-Raman (B) spectra of the m-A(8) (a), AC-m-(8) (1:600) (b) and m-A(14) (c) mono-amidosils in the  $\nu_s\text{CH}_2$  and  $\nu_a\text{CH}_2$  regions.



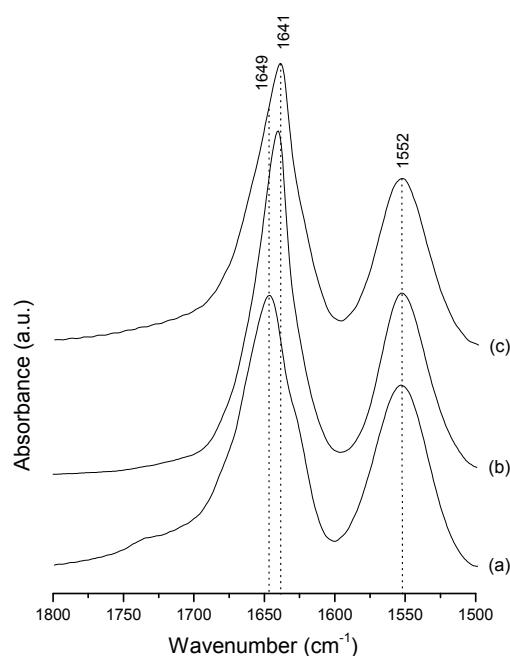
**Figure S3.** FT-Raman spectra of the m-A(8) (a), AC-m-A(8) (b) and m-A(14)<sup>1</sup> (c) mono-amidosils in the vC-C region

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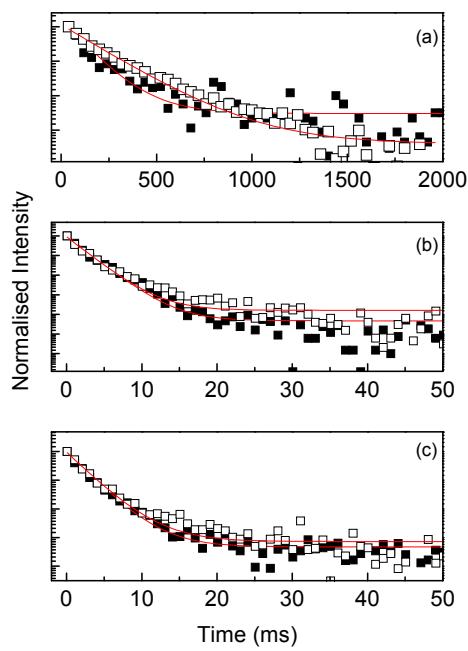
#### “Amide I” and “Amide II” modes

The amide I mode receives a major contribution from the C=O stretching vibration and minor contributions from the C-N stretching and C-C-N deformation vibrations.<sup>5</sup> The amide I mode is sensitive to the specificity and strength of hydrogen bonding.<sup>6</sup> Usually the amide I band envelope consists of several distinct components that correspond to different environments of the C=O group, usually named aggregates. Within this spectral region (1800–1600 cm<sup>-1</sup>) the lower the wavenumber of the component intensity maximum, the stronger the hydrogen-bonded aggregate is. The amide II mode, mainly associated with the N-H in-plane bending vibration is sensitive to chain conformation and intermolecular hydrogen bonding, providing information about the distribution of hydrogen bond strengths.<sup>6a</sup> In the amide II interval (1600–1500 cm<sup>-1</sup>) components with higher wavenumber intensity maxima are correlated with stronger hydrogen-bonded aggregates.

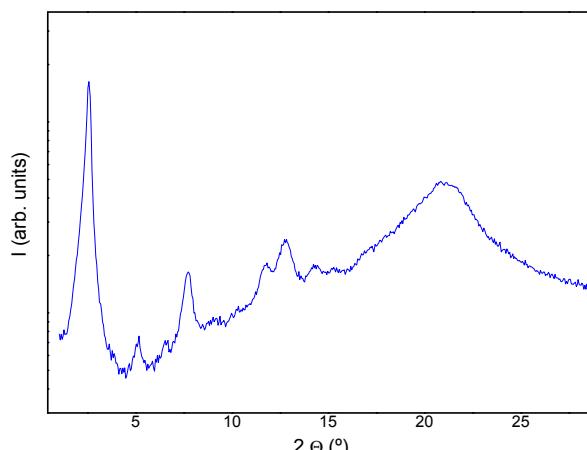
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**Figure S4.** FT-IR spectra of the m-A(8) (a), as-prepared AC-m-A(8) (1:600) (b) and m-A(14)<sup>1</sup> (c) mono-amidosils in the amide I and amide II regions.



**Figure S5.** Emission decay curves of m-A(8) (open squares) and AC-m-A(8) (1:600) (solid squares) mono-amidosils excited at 360 nm and monitored at 500 nm (a), 455 nm (b) and 427 nm (c). The solid lines represent the best fit of the data using a single exponential function.



**Figure S6.** Room temperature XRD pattern of the AC-m-A(8) (1:600) mono-amidosil recorded two months after performing the the two heating cycles described in Figure 4.

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