Supporting Information

1 Experimental Method

Infrared spectroscopy Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectra were recorded using the Thermo Fisher Nicolet 6700 FT-IR spectrometer. The freeze-dried samples were prepared by KBr disc or film technique and the scan range was 4000–400 cm⁻¹.

2 Results and Discussion



Fig. 1s FTIR spectra of 12-3-12·2Br-(a) and 12-3-12·2Br-/trans-OMCA (10mM: 8mM) sample after being irradiated with UV light for 0, 20, 60 or 100 min.

The FT-IR spectra of $12-3-12\cdot 2Br/trans-OMCA$ samples (a: $12-3-12\cdot 2Br$; b, c, d, e: $10mM12-3-12\cdot 2Br/8mMtrans-OMCA$ samples before and after being irradiated with UV light (20, 40 or 60 min) were acquired. As can be seen from the Fig. 1s, the 2921 cm⁻¹ and 2852 cm⁻¹ are symmetrical and asymmetrical stretching vibrations of the alkyl chain C-H bond. The 1494 cm⁻¹ and 1471 cm⁻¹ are in-plane bending vibrations of methyl and methylene groups. Those peaks are linked to $12-3-12\cdot 2Br'(a)$. For the $12-3-12\cdot 2Br'/$ *trans*-OMCA sample, the FT-IR spectrum of sample without UV light irradiation are showed in curve b. and the c, d, e represent that the sample were illuminated 20, 40, 60min respectively. All spectra present the characteristic bands of the acrylic C=C vibration at 1634 cm^{-1} and 1246 cm^{-1} , indicating that the trans-OMCA participates in the self-assembly of $12-3-12\cdot 2Br'$ micelles. Trans and cis

isomers can be distinguished by the position of their acrylic out-of-plane =C-H bending bands located at 879 cm^{-1} and 837 cm^{-1} , respectively. Fig.1s shows that the band at 879 cm^{-1} decreases and the intensity at 837 cm^{-1} increases with the prolongation of UV irradiation time. Furthermore, trans-OMCA presents a characteristic aromatic C-H in-plane bending vibration located at 996 cm⁻¹, which decreases with the UV irradiation time. This change are coherent with photoisomerization of trans to cis ³, indicating that the addition of trans to cis induced by the UV light lead to change of self-assembly structure.



Fig. 2s FTIR spectra of 12-3-12·2Br-(a) and 12-3-12·2Br-/trans-OMCA (30mM: 10mM) sample after being irradiated with UV light for 0, 20, 60 or 100 min.
The Fig.2s shows the FT-IR spectra of wormlike micelle sample (30:10) before

and after UV light. The trend of spectral variation is consistent with Fig.1s.

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