## **Electronic supplementary information (ESI)**

## Interaction between sodium dodecylsulfate (SDS) and pluronic (L61) in aqueous medium: assessment of the nature and morphology of the formed mixed aggregates by NMR, EPR, SANS and FF-TEM measurements

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**Fig. S1**: Spin-echo attenuation decays for SDS (40 mM)/L61/D<sub>2</sub>O at 25°C: (A) [L61] = 4 mM (top) and (B) [L61] = 100 mM (bottom). The solid line represents the best fit of the experimental data described by the Stejskal-Tanner equation,  $I = I_0 e^{-kD}$ , where  $k = (\gamma_n \delta g)^2 (\Delta - \delta/3)$ .



Fig. S2A: Relaxation rates  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $\Delta R$  of PPO-CH<sub>3</sub> of SDS/L61 (5 mM)/D<sub>2</sub>O (System-a) against [SDS].



**Fig. S2B:** Relaxation rates  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$ , and  $\Delta R$  of PPO-CH<sub>3</sub> of L61/SDS (40 mM)/D<sub>2</sub>O (System-b) against [L61].