Ionic-Self Assembly (ISA) as a route towards (highly ordered,liquid crystalline) nanomaterials with new architecture

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supramolecular salts

catanionic surfactants systems



Polyanion-Polycation complexes



Figure 1. Polyelectrolytes employed for the self-assembly of multilayers.

precipitates from water,

easy synthesis



Figure 3. Phase diagram for QPVP/PMAA/NaCl mixtures in aqueous solution at pH 8.4 supported by 0.01 M phosphate buffer. Concentrations of polymers were 0.001 M, and degrees of polymerization of QPVP and PMAA were 900 and 1700, respectively.

Strong and weak electrolytes behave differently



Classical in food and drug industry: ccoacervation



Weak (carboxylated) PE/gelatin	Xanthan gum/gelatin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/gelatin	Gum arabic/gelatin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/gelatin	Sodium carboxymethyl guar gum/gelatin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/globular protein	Low and high methylated pectin/β-lactoglobulin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/globular protein	High-methoxyl pectin/β-lactoglobulin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/globular protein	Xanthan gum/whey protein
Weak (carboxylated) PE/globular protein	Gum arabic/β-lactoglobulin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/globular protein	Gum arabic/B-lactoglobulin
Weak (carboxylated) PE/plant protein	Carboxy methyl cellulose/potato proteins
Weak (carboxylated) PE/globular protein	Gum arabic/whey proteins
Cationic polysaccharide/plant protein	Chitosan/faba bean legumin
Two polysaccharides (weak PE/chitosan)	Alginate/chitosan
Two polysaccharides (strong PE/chitosan)	Carrageenan/chitosan
Strong (sulfated) PE/gelatin	k-carrageenan/gelatin
Strong (sulfated) PE/globular protein	ι- or κ-carrageenan or dextran sulfate/bovine serum albumin
Strong (sulfated) PE/globular protein	L-carrageenan/poly(L-lysine)
Strong (sulfated) PE/globular protein	Dextran sulfate/sodium caseinate

Lii et al. [71] Peters et al. [72] Thimma and Tammishetti [62]

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Girod et al. [26] Gurov et al. [89] flocculated particles) Coacervation Coacervation Coacervation

Coacervation ? (although referred to as electrostatic complexes) Precipitation for a modified pectin with higher charge density Coacervation ? (fibrous complexes) Coacervation Precipitation Precipitation

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Fig. 1. Cartoon of two self-assembled complexes of gum arabic (white ribbon) and β -lactoglobulin (dark spheres). The complex as a whole is considered as a new colloidal entity. The picture is approximately to scale, a protein is 4 nm in diameter and the gum arabic has a diameter of approximately 50 nm.



Fig. 4. Whey protein/gum arabic concentrated coacervate phase pored with a spoon. The coacervate is very viscous in nature.

Polyanion-Polycation complexes: layer-by-layer technologies



Polyanion-Polycation complexes: layer-by-layer technologies II



Hollow Inorganic-Hybrid Spheres



Polyelectrolyte Surfactant complexes



- formation highly cooperative
- 1: 1 complex
- dissolves in organic solvents
- film forming
- no Tg and softening

precipitates from water,

easy synthesis



Cooperativity of binding of PEs and surfactants



Binding isoterms of DTAB on a) polyacrylate;b) alginate; c) pectate; d) CMC



Polyelectrolyte complex films self-organize !





X-ray characterization of films

Na-PSS plus DTA-Br



→The product is a highly oriented lyotropic liquid crystalline polymer !



Structure model



smectic S_A-phase:

one flexible alkyl phase

one glassy ionic polymer phase







Structure of PAA with hydrophobic counterions







Conformation of single chains



Thermoplastic PE-Surf complexes by copolymerization



Choice of comonomers;

Different phases between 0 < x < 1



An interesting phase for the 40:60 mixture



plane oriented

Synchroton radiation



The HPL phase



A polymeric molecular sieve film ...



Fluorinated PE-Surfs: Coatings with ultralow surface tension





PE-Lipid complexes: high end rubbers





Mechanical characterization





Qantitative evaluation of the SAXS data:

From the scattering data, the normalized autocorrelation function of the radial density γ (r) is calculated. This can be expanded as:

$$\gamma(r) = 1 - \frac{1}{l_P} \cdot r + \frac{b}{l_P} \cdot r^3 + O(r^4)$$

The Porod length lp is easily transformed into a wavyness:

$$\frac{A}{A_0} = \frac{2d_1 \cdot d_2}{d \cdot l_p} = \left\langle \frac{1}{\cos \alpha} \right\rangle_{s_0}$$

The cubic term is a measure for the interface curvature:

$$b = \frac{1}{8} \langle H^2 \rangle - \frac{1}{24} \langle K \rangle$$

with b the Kirste - Porod - parameter, <K> the mean Gaussian curvature, and <H²> the mean square of the averaged curvature.

Procedure relies on good measurements at high s !



A walk through data evaluation....





The κ-ι- diagram





Solution: the super-undulated phase





Helfrich

Variation of lipid composition: increase ionic lipids







the corrugated lamellar phase

(a very close relative of the superundulated phase)



Complexes with oligopeptide



ox. Glutathione: a model peptide



AFM characterization of glutathionelecithine complexes



480 nm

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480 nm

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480 nm

Structure Model



Complex structure with elements on three different length scales !



Complexes from double-hydophilic block copolymers (S. General)

- stable nanoparticles by surfactant or drug complexation
- · supramolecular approach to new polymer systems
- hierarchical superstructure







Materials

Poly(ethylene oxide)-*block*-poly(ethylene imine) as double-hydrophilic block ionomers

PEO-PEIcv H₃C O-CH-CH-O-CH PEO-PEI O-CH2-CH2+O-CH2+NH-CH2-CH2+NH2 HgC-10 PEO-PEIbr H₃C--O-CH₂-CH₂-O-CH₂-NH +нм-сн-со}п сн₂ ĊH₂ ĊH₂ ŇH CH₂ NH, H2N/CSNH poly (L- Arginine); poly (L-Histidine); poly (L-Lysine) pK_a~10.1 pK_~6.8 pK_~12

dodecanoic acid (C12) as surfactant

Coenzyme Q₁₀ as model drug



13 wt% incorporated !

Loading and local structure of the Drugs

Incorporated drugs	5
Coenzyme O.,	uptake %[w/w] 20 %
Estradiol	1-10 %
Triiodothyronine	15 %
Amphotericin B	~ 90 %
Azelaic acid	~ 50 %





Q₁₀

determined with homopolymers





WAXS; 20 % [w/w] Q₁₀ incorporated in PEI-C12complex

after a storage period of 150 days

Inner structure: characteristic graining of ~ 3 nm.



Dye-Surfactant Complexes via Ionic Self-Assembly



Ionic Self-Assembly

(ISA)

• Oligoelectrolyte-surfactant complexes



- Electrostatic interactions to drive the organisation of matter
- Modular approach: multiple non-covalent interaction strategy



π -Toolbox

• Shape-rigid, -defined tectonic units



Commercially available dyes

• Subphase formation?





Binding?

- Binding studies cooperativity?
 - Surfactant selective electrode
 - Titrino 720 / Dosimat 765 Combination
 - -20 °C ± 0.1 °
- Aggregate formation
- Precipitated complex 1:1 ratio?
 - EA & ICP-AES
- Properties





Chem. Eur. J., in press



Structure?

- What is to be expected?
 - Crystalline / LC materials?
 - Lamellar / columnar / other phases?
 - Internal organisation of dye subphase?





Structure

(cont'd)

• AR44 / AR 17 + single / double tail surfactants



Structure

(cont'd)

• PTSA as a discotic system







Structure

(cont'd)

- Nano-phase separation that simple?
- 3 Subphases a reality?



Single crystal analysis $OG + C_{14}TAB$

Nature surprises us!



Giant-Polyoxometallates



The "ferris wheel" /A. Müller





Expanding modular approach

- Surfactant, codon, metallic species
- Multiple interaction strategy



Modular Approach

(cont'd)

• Complexes based on stepwise noncovalent interactions





Camerel, Strauch, Antonietti, Faul, Chem Eur J, 2003

Cu(I) / Cu (II)

•Behaviour of copper species?

Colour change with complexationCu(II) to Cu(I) via complexation





•Heating of green Cu(II) complexes

- •Films turn black
- •Back to green via dissolution



Materials Properties

(Cu(I) / C(II))



Conclusion

- ISA is a facile route to organise matter
- Coacervation, symplexes, LbL-structures
- Objects turn into nanos, films and materials
- Partly solubility in solvents
- Multiple interaction strategy
- Organisation of oligoelectrolytic π -systems
- Exciting mechanical & optical properties
- Structures and organisation into subphases

