

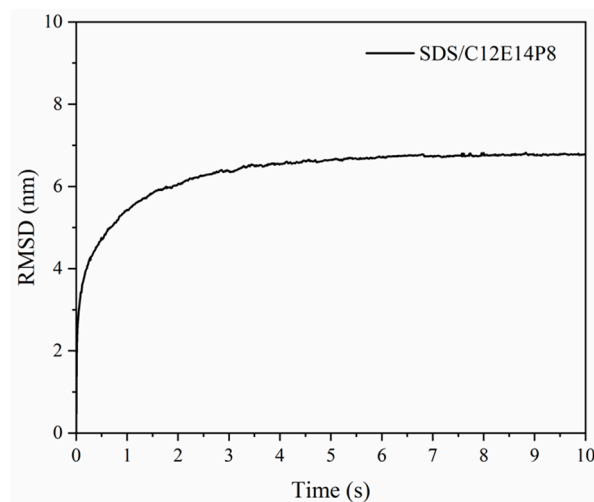
## **Supplementary Information**

# **Microscopic Understanding of Interfacial Performance and Antifoaming Mechanism of REP Type Block Polyether Nonionic Surfactants**

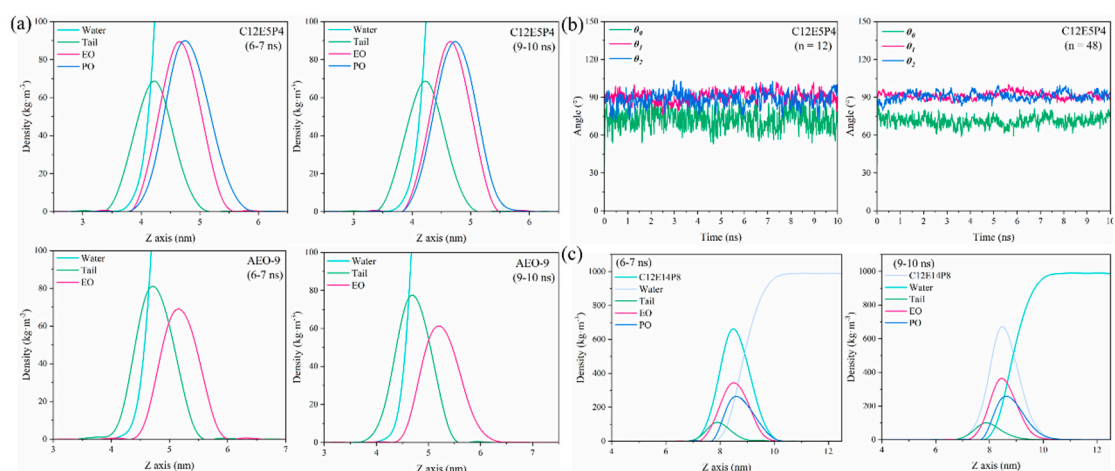
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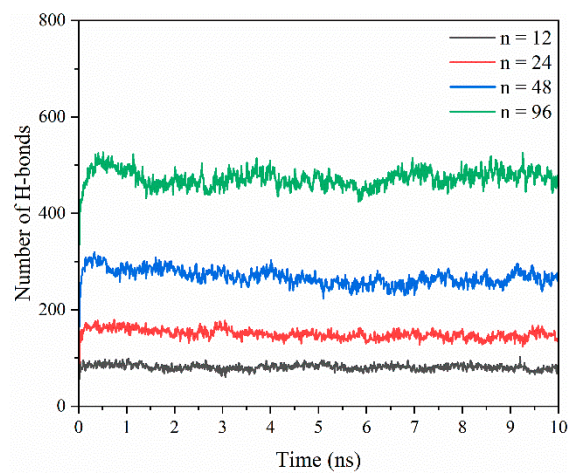
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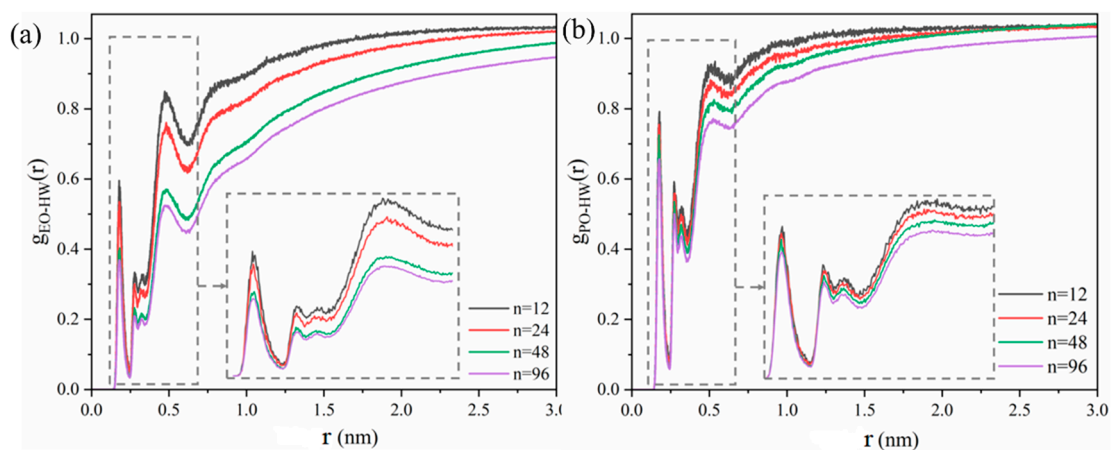
**Figure S1.** RMSD of SDS/C12E14P8 binary compounding system.



**Figure S2.** (a) Density distributions of AEO-9 and C12E5P4 ( $n=48$ ) at 6–7 ns and 9–10 ns, respectively; (b) The change of inclination Angle of C12E5P4 with simulation time at two concentrations of  $n=12$  and  $n=48$ ; (c) Density distributions of C12E14P8 at 6–7 ns and 9–10 ns, respectively.



**Figure S3.** The total number of hydrogen bonds in C12E5P4 system with different molecular number changes with simulation time.



**Figure S4.** Radial distribution functions of ether groups and water in (a) EO groups and (b) PO groups in C12E5P4 systems under different concentrations.

**Table S1.** Summaries of simulated pure polyether systems.

System	Number of water	Number of polyether	Size of simulated box
C12E5P4 (n=12)	33400	12	$10 \times 10 \times 18$
C12E5P4 (n=24)	33400	24	$10 \times 10 \times 18$
C12E5P4 (n=48)	33400	48	$10 \times 10 \times 18$
C12E5P4 (n=96)	33400	96	$10 \times 10 \times 18$
AEO-9 (n=12)	33400	12	$10 \times 10 \times 18$
AEO-9 (n=48)	33400	48	$10 \times 10 \times 18$
C12E14P8 (n=48)	33400	48	$10 \times 10 \times 27$

**Table S2.** Summaries of simulated SDS system and SDS/C12E14P8 system.

System	Number of SDS	Number of C12E14P8	Number of water	Number of Na <sup>+</sup>	Size of simulated box
SDS	192	-	33208	192	$10 \times 10 \times 15$
SDS/C12E14P8	192	48	33208	192	$10 \times 10 \times 27$

**Table S3.** The number of hydrogen bonds formed between sulfuric acid groups and water in different systems at 298 K.

System	Number of H-bonds (SO-HW)
SDS	1346.3
SDS/C12E14P8	1126.3