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Highlights

- Eight new amphiphiles were made, each with 3 cationic heads and 1 non-polar tail.
- Three cationic heads diminish the capacity of longer tails to induce aggregation.
- Amphiphiles with an 18 or 20 carbon tail are more effective at killing bacteria.
- Comparison to a related series (3 heads, 2 tails) reveals effect of second tail.
- Examining aggregation alongside antibacterial trends reveals intriguing prospects.

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