

## **Supporting Information**

for

### **Growth and structural discrimination of cortical neurons on randomly oriented and vertically aligned dense carbon nanotube networks**

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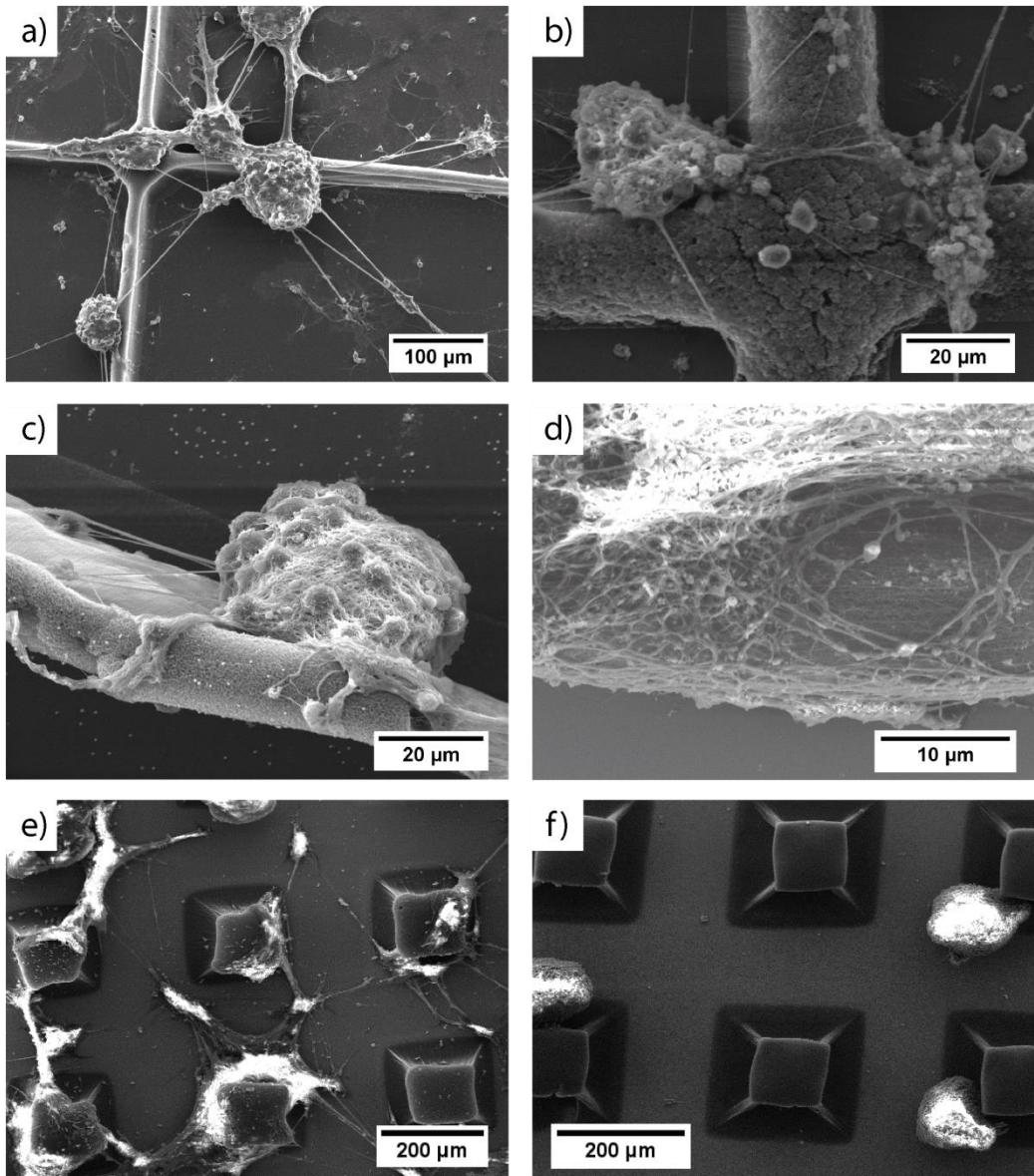
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### **Additional growth studies through SEM**



**Figure S1:** SEM pictures of neuronal cell assembly on different CNT micro architectures. Upper left a): neuronal cell assembly on a CNT cross bar structure. Upper right b): Magnified view of a neuronal cell adhesion on a cross bar CNT structure. Middle left c): Higher magnified view of a neuronal cell cluster showing its preferential adherence on the side architecture of the CNT wall structure. Middle right d): higher magnified view of a dense cell assembly on the CNT upper rim wall structure shown in c). Lower left e): Example amplifying a comparable preferential cell assembly of the neuron cell line R18 (Embryonic Rat Hypothalamus Cell Line R18 (RHypoE-18)) on the CNT side walls as compared to a) or c). Lower right f): Example showing the preferential cell assembly of a neuronal spheroid (from neurons of a chicken embryo) on the CNT side walls of CNT microstructured blocks.