Supplemental Fig. 1. SDS-PAGE analysis of low speed actin cosedimentation with His-mXin α . The actin binding assay was performed with increasing amounts of His-mXin α as described under Fig. 4 legend. No detectable actin was pelleted from the tubes containing actin alone (lane 1P), actin plus 2.5 μ g His-mXin α (lane 2P) or actin plus bovine serum albumin (BSA) (lane 6P). His-mXin α at 10 μ g (lane 3P), 25 μ g (4P) and 50 μ g (5P) aggregated actin and can be co-pelleted down with actin by low speed centrifugation. Consistent with the result described in Fig. 4, the reaction between His-mXin α and actin reached saturation when 25 μ g His-mXin α was mixed with actin (4P and 5P).

Supplemental Fig. 2. Characterization of actin bundles formed by His-mXin α at different molar ratio of His-mXin α to actin. His-mXin α at different concentration was mixed with actin (2.4 μ M) and then the samples were processed to negative staining and electron microscopy. The molar ratio of His-mXin α to actin in (A) equals to 2:1, (B) 1:25, (C) 1:100 and (D) 1:200. At the ratio 1:200, no bundles were found but some filaments were tightly associated, as marked by the arrow (D). Bar=100 nm.





