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Mono- and Polynuclear Ag(I) Complexes of *N*-functionalized Bis(diphenylphosphino)amine DPPA-type Ligands: Synthesis, Solid-State Structures and Reactivity[‡]

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crystallographic and experimental details for all the structures (Tables S1-S7). The
Crystallographic information files (CIF) of **2a**·BF₄, **2b**·BF₄, **3b**·(BF₄)₂, **3c**·(BF₄)₂,
3c·(BF₄)₂·(THF)₃, **4a**·BF₄·3(CH₂Cl₂), **4c**·BF₄·CH₂Cl₂ have been deposited to the CCDC, 12
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Table S1.

Identification code	Compound 2a ·BF ₄	
Empirical formula	C ₆₀ H ₅₀ AgBF ₄ N ₂ P ₄	
Formula weight	1117.58 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2 ₁	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 9.9021(3) Å	<i>α</i> = 90 °
	<i>b</i> = 19.5151(9) Å	<i>β</i> = 99.519(2) °
	<i>c</i> = 14.0811(6) Å	<i>γ</i> = 90 °
Volume	2683.57(19) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	2	
Density (calculated)	1.383 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.549 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	1144	
Theta range for data collection	2.33 to 26.00 °	
Index ranges	-12 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 12, -24 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 23, -17 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 17	
Reflections collected	24752	
Independent reflections	10058 [R(int) = 0.0869]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	185 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	10058 / 57 / 644	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.049	
Final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	R1 = 0.0755, wR2 = 0.1198	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1098, wR2 = 0.1300	
Largest diff. peak and hole	-0.563 and 0.779 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S2.

Identification code	Compound 2b ·BF ₄	
Empirical formula	C ₆₂ H ₅₄ AgBF ₄ N ₂ P ₄ S ₂	
Formula weight	1209.75 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Tetragonal	
Space group	P4 ₃	
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 11.9470(2) \text{ Å}$	$\alpha = 90^\circ$
	$b = 11.9470(2) \text{ Å}$	$\beta = 90^\circ$
	$c = 41.0063(7) \text{ Å}$	$\gamma = 90^\circ$
Volume	5852.86(17) Å ³	
Z	4	
Density (calculated)	1.373 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.578 mm ⁻¹	
$F(000)$	2480	
Theta range for data collection	1.70 to 27.50 °	
Index ranges	-10 ≤ h ≤ 15, -15 ≤ k ≤ 10, -44 ≤ l ≤ 53	
Reflections collected	40141	
Independent reflections	11820 [R(int) = 0.0775]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	173 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	11820/ 1 / 682	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.035	
Final R indices [$I > 2\sigma(I)$]	R1 = 0.0571, wR2 = 0.1250	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1258, wR2 = 0.1688	
Largest diff. peak and hole	-1.112 and 0.853 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S3.

Identification code	Compound 3b •(BF ₄) ₂	
Empirical formula	C ₆₂ H ₅₄ Ag ₂ B ₂ F ₈ N ₂ P ₄ S ₂	
Formula weight	1404.43 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	298(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	<i>Pbcn</i>	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 17.893(5) Å	<i>α</i> = 90 °
	<i>b</i> = 19.791(5) Å	<i>β</i> = 90 °
	<i>c</i> = 17.617(5) Å	<i>γ</i> = 90 °
Volume	6239(3) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	1.495 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.861 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	2832	
Theta range for data collection	3.10 to 26.00 °	
Index ranges	-21 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 22, -24 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 24, -21 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 21	
Reflections collected	55530	
Independent reflections	6092 [R(int) = 0.1010]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	99.3 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	6092 / 327 / 369	
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.058	
Final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	R1 = 0.0665, wR2 = 0.1414	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1121, wR2 = 0.1574	
Largest diff. peak and hole	- 0.791 and 1.025 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S4.

Identification code	Compound 3c ·(BF ₄) ₂	
Empirical formula	C ₆₂ H ₅₄ Ag ₂ B ₂ F ₈ N ₂ O ₂ P ₄	
Formula weight	1372.31 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Orthorhombic	
Space group	<i>Pbcn</i>	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 19.6121(4) Å	<i>α</i> = 90 °
	<i>b</i> = 17.0360(3) Å	<i>β</i> = 90 °
	<i>c</i> = 17.8281(2) Å	<i>γ</i> = 90 °
Volume	5956.58(17) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	1.530 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.835 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	2768	
Theta range for data collection	1.583 to 25.999 °	
Index ranges	-22 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 23, -18 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 18, -18 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 21	
Reflections collected	49665	
Independent reflections	5749 [R(int) = 0.0742]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	98.2 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	5749 / 9 / 278	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.033	
Final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	R1 = 0.0953, wR2 = 0.2609	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1095, wR2 = 0.2740	
Largest diff. peak and hole	-2.184 and 3.046 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S5.

Identification code	Compound 3c ·(BF ₄) ₂ ·(THF) ₃	
Empirical formula	C ₇₄ H ₇₈ Ag ₂ B ₂ F ₈ N ₂ O ₅ P ₄	
Formula weight	1588.62 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	P2 ₁ /c	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 11.2883(2) Å	<i>α</i> = 90 °
	<i>b</i> = 23.0676(4) Å	<i>β</i> = 101.8914(10) °
	<i>c</i> = 27.7279(3) Å	<i>γ</i> = 90 °
Volume	7065.20(19) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	1.494 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	3248	
Theta range for data collection	1.92 to 26.00 °	
Index ranges	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 13, -28 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 28, -34 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 34	
Reflections collected	25030	
Independent reflections	13754 [R(int) = 0.0641]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	99.0 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	13754 / 61 / 858	
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.023	
Final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	R1 = 0.0621, wR2 = 0.1233	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1013, wR2 = 0.1352	
Largest diff. peak and hole	- 0.946 and 1.555 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S6.

Identification code	Compound 4a ·BF ₄ ·3(CH ₂ Cl ₂)	
Empirical formula	C ₉₃ H ₈₁ Ag ₃ BCl ₈ F ₄ N ₃ P ₆	
Formula weight	2120.45 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 22.5824(7) Å	<i>α</i> = 90 °
	<i>b</i> = 23.1008(7) Å	<i>β</i> = 116.2390(10) °
	<i>c</i> = 21.1189(7) Å	<i>γ</i> = 90 °
Volume	9881.9(5) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	1.425 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.953 mm ⁻¹	
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Theta range for data collection	1.41 to 31.04 °	
Index ranges	-32 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 32, -33 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 33, -30 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 30	
Reflections collected	126093	
Independent reflections	31563 [R(int) = 0.0452]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	99.8 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²	
Data / restraints / parameters	31563 / 0 / 1063	
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.048	
Final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	R1 = 0.0540, wR2 = 0.1305	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0903, wR2 = 0.1464	
Largest diff. peak and hole	- 1.081 and 1.540 e.Å ⁻³	

Table S7.

Identification code	Compound 4c ·BF ₄ ·CH ₂ Cl ₂	
Empirical formula	C ₉₄ H ₈₃ Ag ₃ BCl ₄ F ₄ N ₃ O ₃ P ₆	
Formula weight	2040.67 g.mol ⁻¹	
Temperature	173(2) K	
Wavelength	0.71069 Å	
Crystal system	Monoclinic	
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>c</i>	
Unit cell dimensions	<i>a</i> = 10.25800(10) Å	<i>α</i> = 90 °
	<i>b</i> = 34.9966(5) Å	<i>β</i> = 105.1040(10) °
	<i>c</i> = 29.4055(4) Å	<i>γ</i> = 90 °
Volume	10191.8(2) Å ³	
<i>Z</i>	4	
Density (calculated)	1.330 Mg/m ³	
Absorption coefficient	0.822 mm ⁻¹	
<i>F</i> (000)	4128	
Theta range for data collection	2.08 to 26.00 °	
Index ranges	-12 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 12, -43 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 43, -36 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 36	
Reflections collected	98194	
Independent reflections	19790 [R(int) = 0.1035]	
Completeness to theta = 26.00°	98.7 %	
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on <i>F</i> ²	
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Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> ²	1.073	
Final R indices [<i>I</i> > 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	R1 = 0.0793, wR2 = 0.2433	
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.1276, wR2 = 0.2630	
Largest diff. peak and hole	- 1.331 and 1.445 e.Å ⁻³	

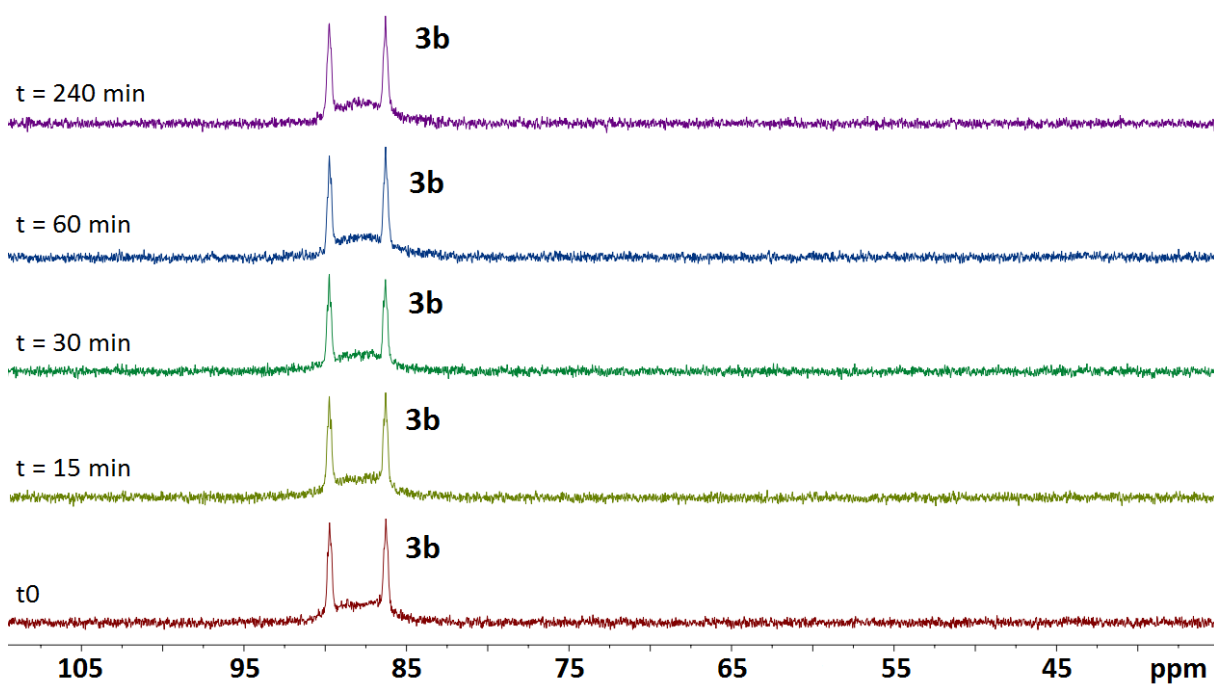


Figure S1. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR control experiment illustrating the stability of $\mathbf{3b} \cdot (\text{BF}_4)_2$ in CD_2Cl_2 .

Conditions: 10 mg of $\mathbf{3b} \cdot (\text{BF}_4)_2$ dissolved in 0.6 mL of CD_2Cl_2 and kept under inert atmosphere, in the absence of light, at room temperature and analysed over a period of 4 h.

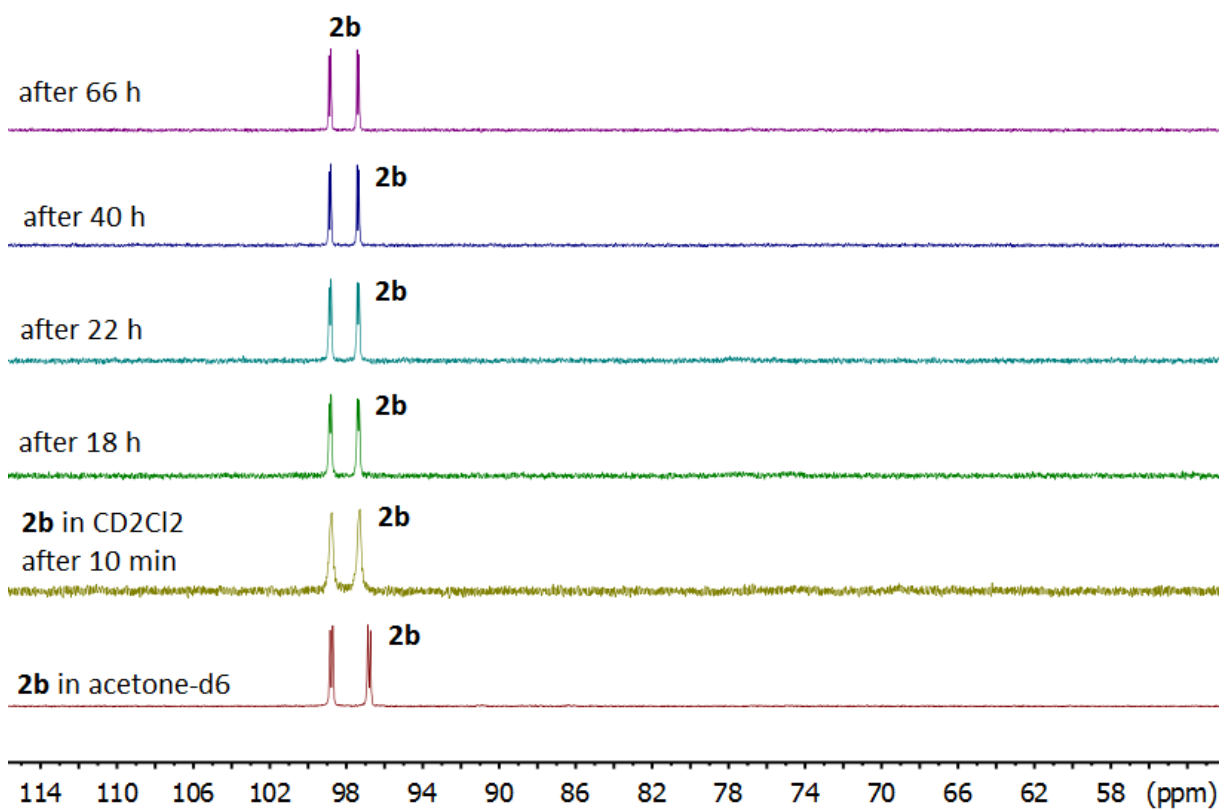


Figure S2. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR control experiment illustrating the stability of **2b**· BF_4 in CD_2Cl_2 .

Conditions: 10 mg of **2b**· BF_4 dissolved in 0.6 mL of CD_2Cl_2 and kept under inert atmosphere, in the absence of light, at room temperature and analysed over a period of 66 h.

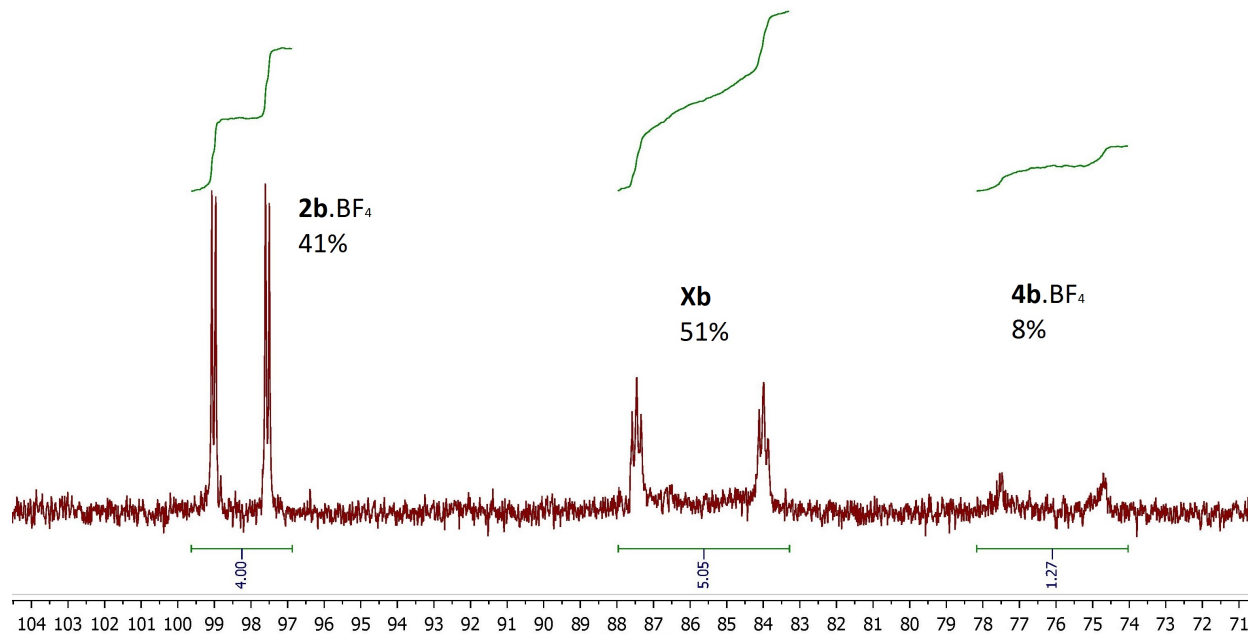


Figure S3. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of the reaction between ligand **1b** and AgBF_4 (1:1 molar ratio) in CDCl_3 after 10 min, with approximate integrations.

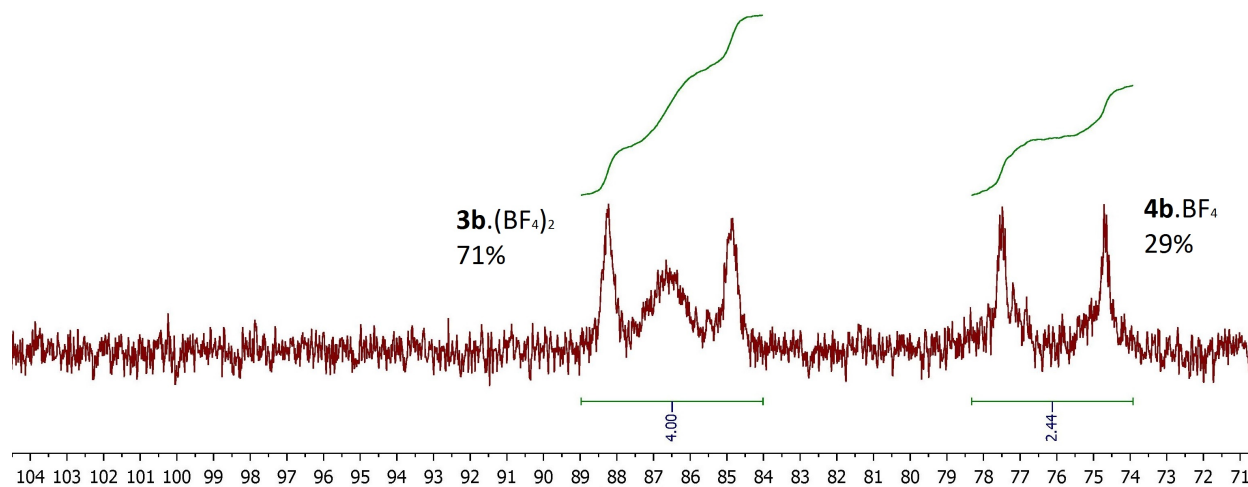


Figure S4. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of the reaction between ligand **1b** and AgBF_4 (1:1 molar ratio) in CDCl_3 after 6 h, with approximate integrations.

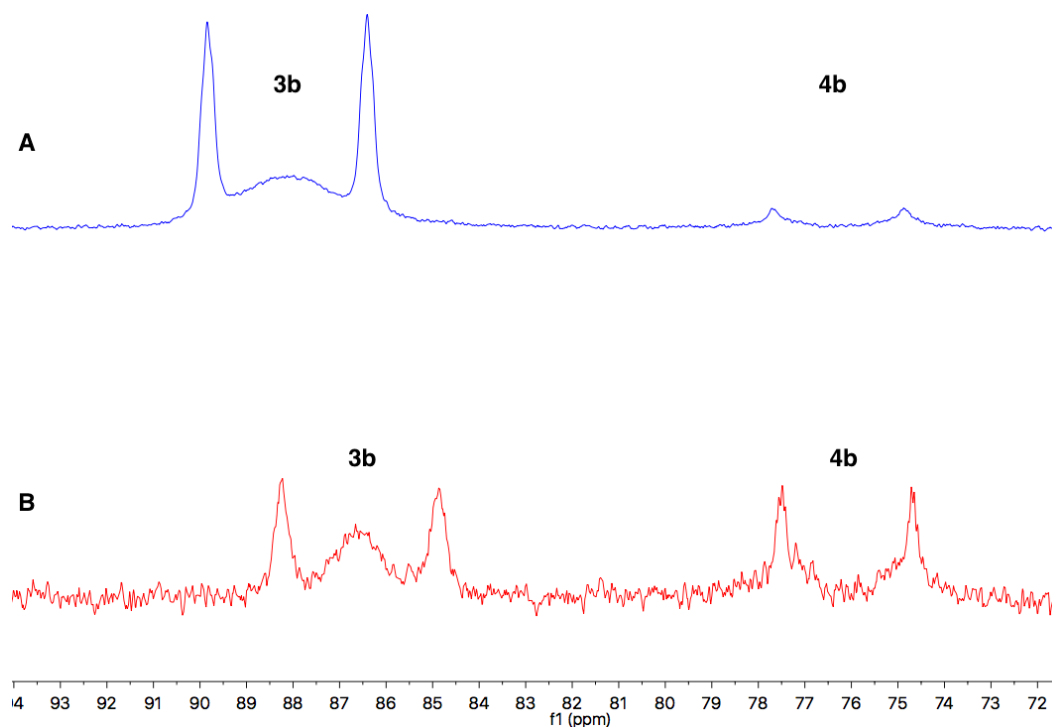


Figure S5. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum showing the influence of the chlorinated solvent, CD_2Cl_2 (**A**) and CDCl_3 (**B**) on the relative formation of the complexes $\mathbf{3b} \cdot (\text{BF}_4)_2$ and $\mathbf{4b} \cdot \text{BF}_4$. Reaction conditions: ligand **1b**: AgBF_4 1:1 ratio, in 0.6 mL of the corresponding deuterated solvent, time: 6 h.

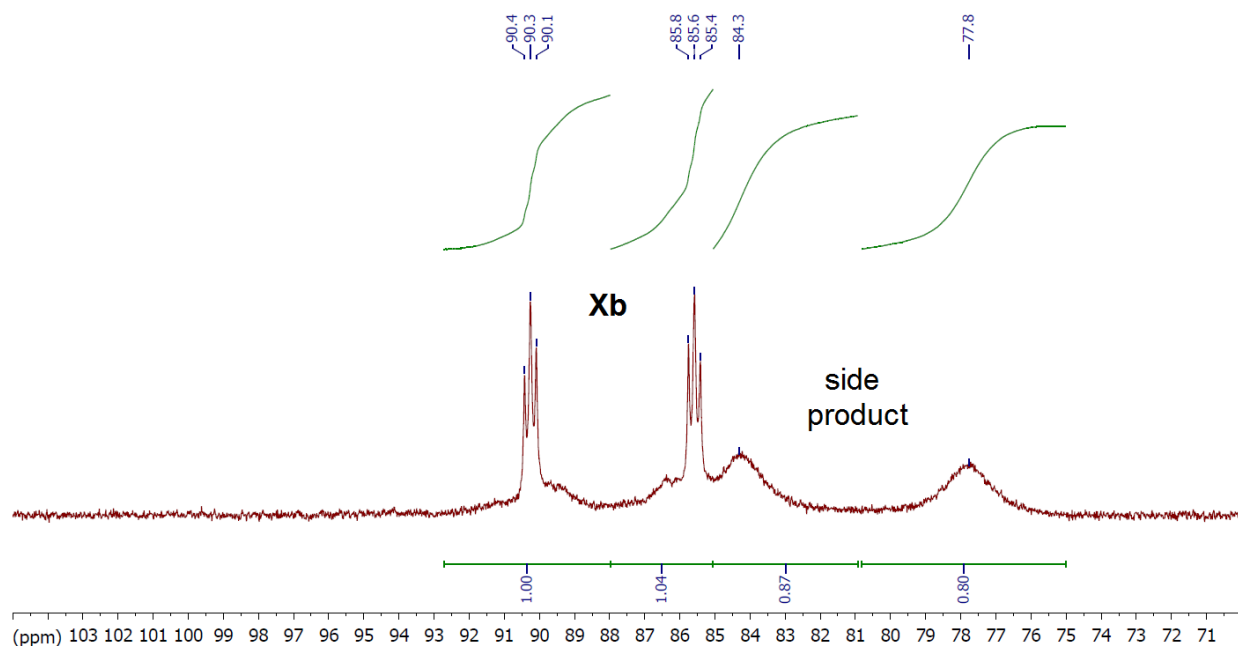


Figure S6. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of the mixture resulting from the dissolution in CD_2Cl_2 of the solid obtained after solvent evaporation of the mixture **3b**· $(\text{BF}_4)_2$ and 1 equiv. AgBF_4 (unreacted) prepared in acetone.⁵³

We note the presence of the expected **Xb** and of another product different from all other characterized complexes.

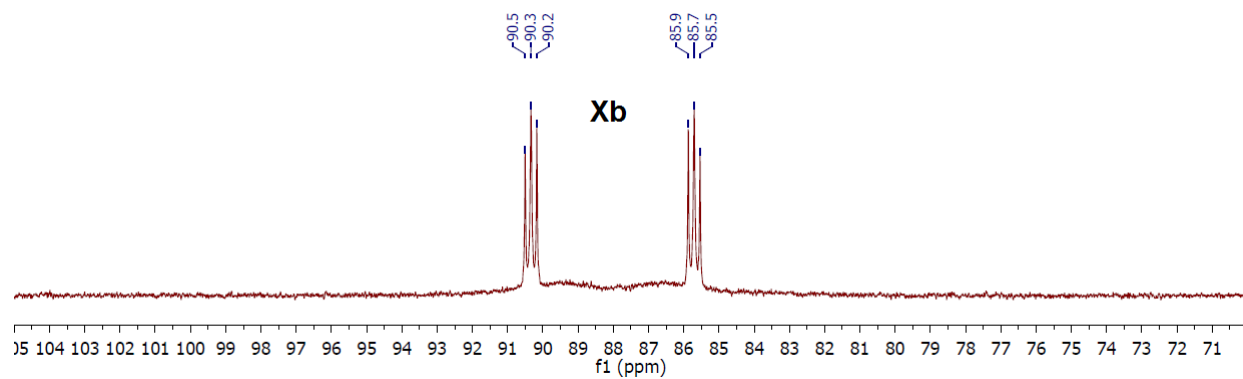


Figure S7. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of complex **Xb** in CD_2Cl_2 .

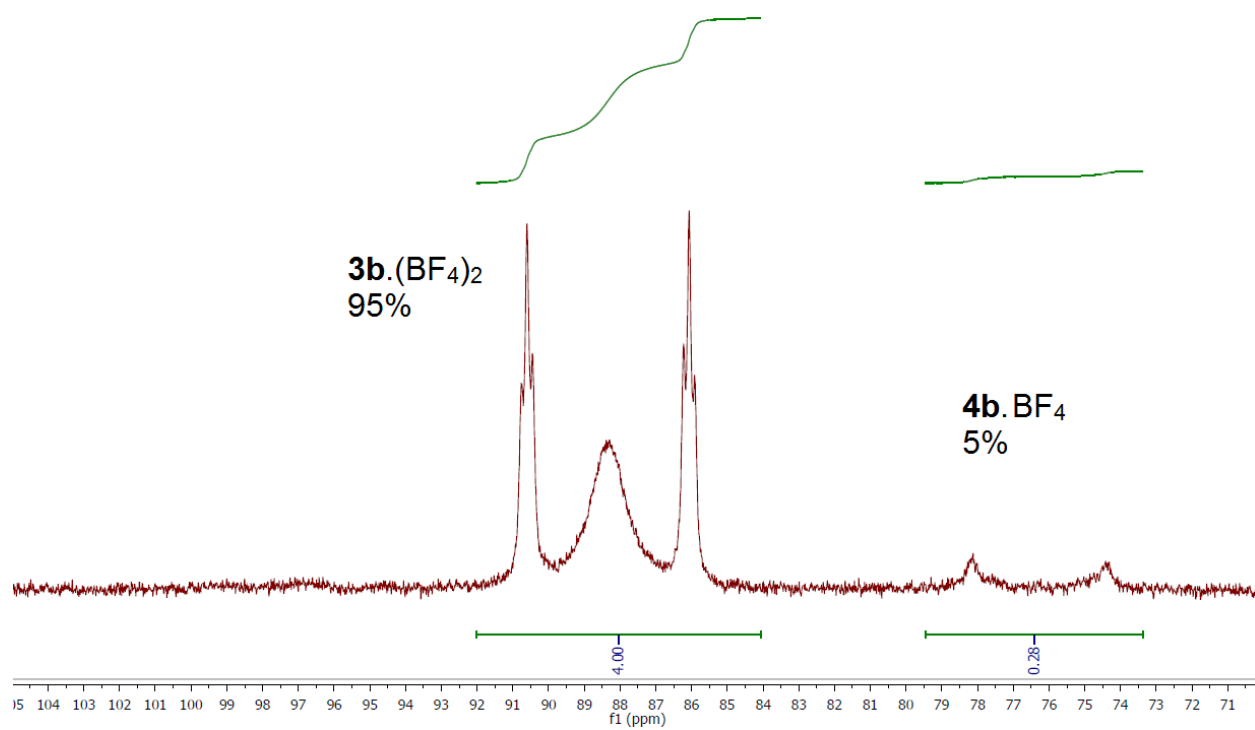


Figure S8. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectrum of the mixture of **3b**·(BF_4)₂ ($\approx 95\%$) and **4b**· BF_4 ($\approx 5\%$) resulting from the addition of 2 equiv. **2b**· BF_4 to 1 equiv. **Xb** in CD_2Cl_2 .