Supporting Information

## Dancing with 5-substituted monotetrazoles, oxygen-rich ions, and silver:

## Towards primary explosives with positive oxygen balance and excellent

### energetic performance

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#### **General methods**

All reagents were purchased from Energy Chemical of analytical grade and were used as supplied, if not stated otherwise. The melting and decomposition (onset) points were obtained on a differential scanning calorimeter (Mettler Toledo DSC823e) at a scan rate of 5 °C min<sup>-1</sup> in closed Al containers with a nitrogen flow of 50 ml min<sup>-1</sup>. IR spectra were recorded using KBr pellets for solids on a Thermo Nicolet iS10 spectrometer. Elemental analyses were carried out on a vario EL III CHNOS elemental analyzer.

A colorless block crystal ( $[Ag_7MT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ ) of dimensions 0.08×0.07×0.04 mm<sup>3</sup>, a colorless plate crystal ( $[Ag_7AT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ ) of dimensions 0.10×0.08×0.03 mm<sup>3</sup>, a colorless column crystal ( $[Ag_3HT_2NO_3]_n$ ) of dimensions 0.11×0.07×0.04 mm<sup>3</sup>, a colorless block crystal ( $[Ag_5NT_4NO_3]_n$ ) of dimensions 0.09×0.08×0.07 mm<sup>3</sup>, and a colorless needle crystal ( $[Ag_5NT_4CIO_4]_n$ ) of dimensions 0.16×0.09×0.04 mm<sup>3</sup> were mounted on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 four-circle diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Mo Ka radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å) at 173 K. Corrections for Lorentz and polarization effects and for absorption ( $\psi$  scan) were applied. The structure was solved by direct methods using SHELXS-97 and refined by full-matrix least-squares calculation on F<sup>2</sup> with SHELXL-97. All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. All hydrogens were placed in calculated positions and were assigned fixed isotropic thermal parameters at 1.2 times the equivalent isotropic U of the atoms to which they were attached and allowed to ride on their respective parent atoms. The contributions of these hydrogen atoms were included in the structure-factor calculations.

| Compound                    | $[Ag_7MT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$   | $[Ag_3HT_2NO_3]_n$ | [Ag <sub>7</sub> AT <sub>4</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> ] <sub>n</sub> | [Ag <sub>5</sub> NT <sub>4</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> ] <sub>n</sub> | [Ag <sub>5</sub> NT <sub>4</sub> ClO <sub>4</sub> ] <sub>n</sub> |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|---|---|--|
| Formula                     | $C_8H_{12}Ag_7N_{19}O_9$ | $C_2H_2Ag_3N_9O_3$ | C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>8</sub> Ag <sub>7</sub> N <sub>23</sub> O <sub>9</sub>    | $C_4Ag_5N_{21}O_{11}$   | $C_4Ag_5CIN_{20}O_{12}$  |
| M <sub>w</sub>              | 1273.46                  | 523.74             | 1277.42   | 1057.60   | 1095.04  |
| Crystal system              | Orthorhombic             | Monoclinic         | Triclinic   | Monoclinic  | Tetragonal   |
| Space group                 | C2221                    | C2/c               | P-1   | Pn  | P42/n  |
| a [Å]                       | 12.7239(14)              | 10.9448(10)        | 7.0494(4)   | 12.5704(7)  | 12.9865(7)   |
| b [Å]                       | 13.7587(16)              | 8.0109(9)          | 9.2238(5)   | 6.5629(4)   | 12.9865(7)   |
| c [Å]                       | 14.5684(13)              | 10.9401(9)         | 9.4011(5)   | 13.3028(7)  | 6.7777(9)  |
| α[°]                        | 90                       | 90                 | 93.300(2)   | 90  | 90   |
| β[°]                        | 90                       | 98.040(3)          | 97.259(2)   | 90.303(2)   | 90   |
| γ[°]                        | 90                       | 90                 | 105.496(2)  | 90  | 90   |
| V [ų]                       | 2550.4(5)                | 949.77(16)         | 581.67(6)   | 1097.44(11)   | 1143.1(2)  |
| Z                           | 4                        | 4                  | 1   | 2   | 2  |
| Т [К]                       | 173                      | 173                | 173   | 173   | 173  |
| λ [Å]                       | 0.71073                  | 0.71073            | 0.71073   | 0.71073   | 0.71073  |
| $\rho_{calcd}[g \ cm^{-3}]$ | 3.317                    | 3.663              | 3.647   | 3.201   | 3.182  |
| μ [mm <sup>-1</sup> ]       | 5.346                    | 6.140              | 5.865   | 4.486   | 4.428  |
| F(000)                      | 2376                     | 968.0              | 594   | 988   | 1024   |
| θ range[°]                  | 2.96-25.99               | 3.16-25.36         | 3.16-25.30  | 3.06-25.12  | 3.74-25.29   |
| Index ranges                | -15 ≤ h ≤ 15             | -13 ≤ h ≤ 13       | -7 ≤ h ≤ 8  | $-15 \le h \le 15$  | -15 ≤ h ≤15  |
|                             | -16 ≤ k ≤ 17             | -8 ≤ k ≤ 9         | $-11 \le k \le 11$  | $-7 \le k \le 7$  | -15≤ k ≤15   |
|                             | -17 ≤ l ≤ 17             | -13 ≤ l ≤ 13       | -11 ≤   ≤ 11  | -15 ≤ l ≤ 16  | -8≤ l ≤7   |
| Data/restraints/            | 2588/60/199              | 872/0/79           | 3985/520/443  | 3978/121/388  | 1057/144/122   |
| parameters                  |                          |                    |   |   |  |
| GOF on F2                   | 1.033                    | 1.089              | 1.165   | 1.056   | 1.037  |
| $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)]$     | 0.0489                   | 0.0275             | 0.0623  | 0.0333  | 0.0335   |
| wR(F <sup>2</sup> )         | 0.0804                   | 0.0650             | 0.1799  | 0.0645  | 0.0536   |

Table S2 Crystallographic data for four energetic CPs.

Table S1 Bond lengths and angles for  $[Ag_7MT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ .

| Ag1 N4 2.146(16)    | C1 N1 1.34(2)        | N3 N4 1.34(2)       |  |
|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--|
| Ag1 N8 2.157(18)    | C1 N4 1.35(2)        | N4 Ag1 2.146(16)    |  |
| Ag2 N5 2.133(16)    | C1 C2 1.48(2)        | N5 N6 1.369(19)     |  |
| Ag2 N1 2.139(18)    | C2 H2A 0.9800        | N6 N7 1.32(2)       |  |
| Ag3 N3 2.440(15)    | C2 H2B 0.9800        | N6 Ag3 2.446(15)    |  |
| Ag3 N3 2.440(15)    | C2 H2C 0.9800        | N7 N8 1.358(19)     |  |
| Ag3 N6 2.446(15)    | C3 N5 1.33(2)        | N7 Ag4 2.354(14)    |  |
| Ag3 N6 2.446(15)    | C3 N8 1.34(2)        | N9 O2 1.239(19)     |  |
| Ag3 O3 2.594(9)     | C3 C4 1.46(2)        | N9 O1 1.262(18)     |  |
| Ag3 O3 2.594(9)     | C4 H4A 0.9800        | N9 O3 1.272(13)     |  |
| Ag4 N2 2.210(15)    | C4 H4B 0.9800        | N10 O5 1.21(2)      |  |
| Ag4 O4 2.283(12)    | C4 H4C 0.9800        | N10 O4 1.267(15)    |  |
| Ag4 N7 2.354(14)    | N1 N2 1.37(2)        | N10 O4 1.267(15)    |  |
| N2 N3 1.32(2)       |                      |                     |  |
|                     |                      |                     |  |
| N4 Ag1 N8 168.5(6)  | N1 C1 N4 109.8(15)   | C1 N1 N2 106.0(15)  |  |
| N5 Ag2 N1 165.5(6)  | N1 C1 C2 123.8(19)   | C1 N1 Ag2 132.9(12) |  |
| N3 Ag3 N3 85.0(7)   | N4 C1 C2 126(2)      | N2 N1 Ag2 121.0(12) |  |
| N3 Ag3 N6 94.0(4)   | C1 C2 H2A 109.5      | N3 N2 N1 108.3(15)  |  |
| N3 Ag3 N6 178.2(7)  | C1 C2 H2B 109.5      | N3 N2 Ag4 121.3(12) |  |
| N3 Ag3 N6 178.2(7)  | H2A C2 H2B 109.5     | N1 N2 Ag4 125.3(13) |  |
| N3 Ag3 N6 94.0(4)   | C1 C2 H2C 109.5      | N2 N3 N4 109.3(14)  |  |
| N6 Ag3 N6 87.0(8)   | H2A C2 H2C 109.5     | N2 N3 Ag3 121.3(12) |  |
| N3 Ag3 O3 94.3(5)   | H2B C2 H2C 109.5     | N4 N3 Ag3 128.1(11) |  |
| N3 Ag3 O3 94.8(5)   | N5 C3 N8 109.9(15)   | N3 N4 C1 106.4(16)  |  |
| N6 Ag3 O3 86.8(5)   | N5 C3 C4 126.9(19)   | N3 N4 Ag1 121.7(11) |  |
| N6 Ag3 O3 84.3(5)   | N8 C3 C4 123.2(18)   | C1 N4 Ag1 131.9(12) |  |
| N3 Ag3 O3 94.8(5)   | C3 C4 H4A 109.5      | C3 N5 N6 106.6(15)  |  |
| N3 Ag3 O3 94.3(5)   | C3 C4 H4B 109.5      | C3 N5 Ag2 134.3(12) |  |
| N6 Ag3 O3 84.3(5)   | H4A C4 H4B 109.5     | N6 N5 Ag2 119.0(11) |  |
| N6 Ag3 O3 86.8(5)   | C3 C4 H4C 109.5      | N7 N6 N5 108.4(14)  |  |
| O3 Ag3 O3 167.7(7)  | H4A C4 H4C 109.5     | N7 N6 Ag3 120.9(11) |  |
| N2 Ag4 O4 154.7(5)  | H4B C4 H4C 109.5     | N5 N6 Ag3 128.2(12) |  |
| N2 Ag4 N7 110.9(4)  | O2 N9 O3 121.3(16)   | N6 N7 N8 108.3(14)  |  |
| O4 Ag4 N7 84.8(5)   | O1 N9 O3 117.8(17)   | N6 N7 Ag4 119.7(11) |  |
| O5 N10 O4 121.5(9)  | O5 N10 O4 121.5(9)   | N8 N7 Ag4 130.0(12) |  |
| O4 N10 O4 117.0(19) | O2 N9 O1 121.0(12)   | C3 N8 N7 106.8(16)  |  |
| N9 O3 Ag3 125.6(8)  | N10 O4 Ag4 111.5(10) | C3 N8 Ag1 133.2(12) |  |
| N7 N8 Ag1 120.0(12) |                      |                     |  |

Table S2 Bond lengths and angles for  $[Ag_7AT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ .

| Ag1 N2B 2.23(3) | Ag7 N5C 2.53(3) | N2C N3C 1.28(4) |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Ag1 N2A 2.25(3) | C1A N5A 1.30(4) | N3C N4C 1.39(3) |
| Ag2 N3B 2.22(3) | C1A N4A 1.37(4) | N5C Ag7 2.53(3) |

| Ag2 N5D 2.40(3)       | C1A N1A 1.38(4)      | N6C O2C 1.20(4)       |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Ag2 O2C 2.42(2)       | C1B N4B 1.32(5)      | N6C O1C 1.27(4)       |
| Ag2 N3C 2.58(3)       | C1B N5B 1.33(4)      | N6C O3C 1.28(4)       |
| Ag3 N4C 2.13(3)       | C1B N1B 1.37(5)      | N1D N2D 1.39(4)       |
| Ag3 N1B 2.17(3)       | C1C N4C 1.30(4)      | N1D Ag5 2.15(3)       |
| Ag3 O2C 2.57(3)       | C1C N1C 1.33(4)      | N2D N3D 1.34(4)       |
| Ag3 Ag5 3.322(4)      | C1C N5C 1.47(4)      | N3D N4D 1.34(4)       |
| Ag4 N4B 2.15(3)       | C1D N1D 1.25(4)      | N4D Ag6 2.15(3)       |
| Ag4 N1C 2.17(3)       | C1D N4D 1.39(5)      | N5D Ag2 2.40(3)       |
| Ag4 O3Y 2.39(9)       | C1D N5D 1.40(4)      | O2C Ag2 2.42(2)       |
| Ag5 N1D 2.15(3)       | N1A N2A 1.35(4)      | O2C Ag3 2.57(3)       |
| Ag5 N4A 2.19(3)       | N2A N3A 1.31(4)      | N6A O1A 1.23(3)       |
| Ag5 Ag3 3.322(4)      | N3A N4A 1.29(4)      | N6A O2A 1.23(3)       |
| Ag6 N1A 2.11(3)       | N1B N2B 1.35(4)      | N6A O3A 1.24(3)       |
| Ag6 N4D 2.15(3)       | N1B Ag3 2.17(3)      | N6Z O2Z 1.23(3)       |
| Ag7 N3D 2.19(3)       | N2B N3B 1.29(4)      | N6Z O1Z 1.24(3)       |
| Ag7 N3A 2.28(3)       | N3B N4B 1.42(4)      | N6Z O3Z 1.24(3)       |
| Ag7 O1C 2.29(3)       | N1C N2C 1.35(4)      | N6B O2B 1.26(2)       |
| N6Y O3Y 1.27(2)       | N1C Ag4 2.17(3)      | N6B O3B 1.27(2)       |
| N6Y O2Y 1.27(2)       | N6Y 01Y 1.27(2)      | N6B O1B 1.28(2)       |
|                       |                      |                       |
|                       |                      |                       |
| N2B Ag1 N2A 176.1(10) | N3A Ag7 N5C 134.1(9) | N2B N1B C1B 109(3)    |
| N3B Ag2 N5D 163.2(10) | O1C Ag7 N5C 86.6(10) | N2B N1B Ag3 117.7(19) |
| N3B Ag2 O2C 110.7(9)  | N5A C1A N4A 126(3)   | C1B N1B Ag3 133(2)    |
| N5D Ag2 O2C 83.4(9)   | N5A C1A N1A 128(3)   | N3B N2B N1B 107(3)    |
| N3B Ag2 N3C 91.8(10)  | N4A C1A N1A 106(3)   | N3B N2B Ag1 116(2)    |
| N5D Ag2 N3C 101.4(9)  | N4B C1B N5B 126(3)   | N1B N2B Ag1 137(2)    |
| O2C Ag2 N3C 72.9(8)   | N4B C1B N1B 108(3)   | N2B N3B N4B 110(3)    |
| N4C Ag3 N1B 166.9(10) | N5B C1B N1B 126(3)   | N2B N3B Ag2 121(2)    |
| N4C Ag3 O2C 83.2(8)   | N4C C1C N1C 117(3)   | N4B N3B Ag2 127(2)    |
| N1B Ag3 O2C 103.8(9)  | N4C C1C N5C 120(3)   | C1B N4B N3B 105(3)    |
| N4C Ag3 Ag5 97.6(8)   | N1C C1C N5C 122(3)   | C1B N4B Ag4 132(3)    |
| N1B Ag3 Ag5 89.2(7)   | N1D C1D N4D 112(3)   | N3B N4B Ag4 122(2)    |
| O2C Ag3 Ag5 117.1(6)  | N1D C1D N5D 131(3)   | C1C N1C N2C 102(3)    |
| N4B Ag4 N1C 165.7(10) | N4D C1D N5D 118(3)   | C1C N1C Ag4 137(2)    |
| N4B Ag4 O3Y 107(3)    | N2A N1A C1A 105(3)   | N2C N1C Ag4 120.3(19) |
| N1C Ag4 O3Y 87(3)     | NZA N1A Ag6 123(2)   | N3C N2C N1C 110(3)    |
| N1D Ag5 N4A 166.8(10) | C1A N1A Ag6 132(2)   | N2C N3C N4C 111(2)    |
| N1D Ag5 Ag3 88.3(8)   | N3A N2A N1A 111(3)   | N2C N3C Ag2 112.7(19) |
| N4A Ag5 Ag3 104.2(7)  | N3A N2A Ag1 121(2)   | N4C N3C Ag2 129(2)    |
| N1A Ag6 N4D 168.4(11) | N1A N2A Ag1 127(2)   | C1C N4C N3C 100(2)    |
| N3D Ag7 N3A 111.7(10) | N4A N3A N2A 108(3)   | C1C N4C Ag3 136(2)    |
| N3D Ag7 O1C 152.9(10) | N4A N3A Ag7 133(2)   | N3C N4C Ag3 124(2)    |

| N3A Ag7 O1C 80.9(10) | N2A N3A Ag7 119(2)    | C1C N5C Ag7 110(2) |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| N3D Ag7 N5C 99.3(10) | N3A N4A C1A 110(3)    | O2C N6C O1C 125(3) |
| C1D N4D Ag6 135(2)   | N3A N4A Ag5 119(2)    | O2C N6C O3C 117(3) |
| C1D N5D Ag2 110(2)   | C1A N4A Ag5 130(2)    | O1C N6C O3C 117(3) |
| N6C O1C Ag7 112(2)   | O2A N6A O3A 119(2)    | C1D N1D N2D 107(3) |
| N6C O2C Ag2 114(2)   | O2Z N6Z O1Z 120(2)    | C1D N1D Ag5 140(2) |
| N6C O2C Ag3 120(2)   | O2Z N6Z O3Z 120(2)    | N2D N1D Ag5 113(2) |
| Ag2 O2C Ag3 120.7(9) | O1Z N6Z O3Z 120(2)    | N3D N2D N1D 107(3) |
| O1A N6A O2A 121(2)   | O2B N6B O3B 121.8(18) | N4D N3D N2D 109(3) |
| O1A N6A O3A 120(2)   | O2B N6B O1B 119.8(17) | N4D N3D Ag7 130(2) |
| O3Y N6Y O1Y 120(2)   | O3B N6B O1B 118.4(17) | N2D N3D Ag7 119(2) |
| O2Y N6Y O1Y 120(2)   | O3Y N6Y O2Y 120(2)    | N3D N4D C1D 105(3) |
| N6Y O3Y Ag4 157(7)   | N3D N4D Ag6 120(2)    |                    |

Table S3 Bond lengths and angles for  $[Ag_3HT_2NO_3]_n$ .

| Ag1 N1 2.157(5)      | C1 N1 1.328(8)     | N3 N4 1.357(7)     |
|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Ag1 N1 2.157(5)      | C1 N4 1.333(8)     | N3 Ag2 2.255(5)    |
| Ag2 N4 2.237(5)      | C1 H1 0.9500       | N5 O1 1.239(10)    |
| Ag2 N3 2.255(5)      | N1 N2 1.349(7)     | N5 O2 1.260(6)     |
| Ag2 N2 2.363(5)      | N2 N3 1.315(6)     | N5 O2 1.260(6)     |
| Ag2 O1 2.623(2)      | N2 Ag2 2.363(5)    |                    |
|                      |                    |                    |
| N1 Ag1 N1 167.9(3)   | N1 C1 H1 124.7     | N2 N3 Ag2 118.0(4) |
| N4 Ag2 N3 144.95(19) | N4 C1 H1 124.7     | N4 N3 Ag2 129.7(4) |
| N4 Ag2 N2 110.11(18) | C1 N1 N2 106.3(5)  | C1 N4 N3 105.6(5)  |
| N3 Ag2 N2 104.42(18) | C1 N1 Ag1 130.2(4) | C1 N4 Ag2 124.6(4) |
| N4 Ag2 O1 79.46(14)  | N2 N1 Ag1 123.1(4) | N3 N4 Ag2 129.7(4) |
| N3 Ag2 O1 92.39(18)  | N3 N2 N1 108.8(5)  | O1 N5 O2 120.0(4)  |
| N2 Ag2 O1 94.21(15)  | N3 N2 Ag2 130.3(4) | O1 N5 O2 120.0(4)  |
| N1 C1 N4 110.5(5)    | N1 N2 Ag2 119.2(3) | O2 N5 O2 119.9(7)  |
| N5 O1 Ag2 109.54(14) | N2 N3 N4 108.8(5)  |                    |
|                      |                    |                    |

Table S4 Bond lengths and angles for  $[Ag_5NT_4NO_3]_n$ .

| Ag1 N1A 2.228(11) | C1A N1A 1.344(16) | N5B O1B 1.210(14) |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Ag1 N4B 2.361(11) | C1A N5A 1.436(17) | N1C N2C 1.316(15) |
| Ag1 O4' 2.44(4)   | C1B N4B 1.333(16) | N2C N3C 1.317(15) |
| Ag1 N2D 2.470(12) | C1B N1B 1.340(17) | N3C N4C 1.346(15) |
| Ag2 N1D 2.237(11) | C1B N5B 1.421(17) | N3C Ag3 2.403(11) |
| Ag2 N4C 2.245(10) | C1C N4C 1.305(16) | N4C Ag2 2.245(10) |
| Ag2 N2A 2.414(13) | C1C N1C 1.332(17) | N5C O1C 1.196(15) |
| Ag2 O5 2.425(15)  | C1C N5C 1.458(17) | N5C O2C 1.198(16) |
| Ag2 O5' 2.59(3)   | C1D N1D 1.310(16) | N1D N2D 1.338(15) |
| Ag3 N3A 2.342(11) | C1D N4D 1.318(16) | N2D N3D 1.310(15) |

| Ag3 N3D 2.352(11)     | C1D N5D 1.455(17)     | N3D N4D 1.353(15)     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Ag3 N3C 2.403(11)     | N1A N2A 1.369(17)     | N3D Ag3 2.352(11)     |
| Ag3 N3B 2.408(11)     | N2A N3A 1.297(16)     | N4D Ag5 2.278(10)     |
| Ag4 N1C 2.223(11)     | N3A N4A 1.343(15)     | N5D O2D 1.211(16)     |
| Ag4 N4A 2.232(10)     | N5A O2A 1.218(15)     | N5D O1D 1.220(15)     |
| Ag4 N2B 2.393(12)     | N5A O1A 1.231(16)     | N6 O5 1.241(16)       |
| Ag4 O3' 2.43(4)       | N1B N2B 1.338(15)     | N6 O3 1.243(16)       |
| Ag4 O3 2.56(2)        | N2B N3B 1.294(16)     | N6 O4 1.250(16)       |
| Ag5 N1B 2.223(10)     | N3B N4B 1.375(16)     | O3 Ag4 2.56(2)        |
| Ag5 N4D 2.278(10)     | N4B Ag1 2.361(11)     | O5 Ag2 2.425(15)      |
| Ag5 N2C 2.487(11)     | N5B O2B 1.199(15)     | N6' O5' 1.245(19)     |
| C1A N4A 1.314(16)     | O3' Ag4 2.43(4)       | N6' O3' 1.246(19)     |
| N6' O4' 1.247(19)     | O5' Ag2 2.59(3)       |                       |
|                       |                       |                       |
| N1A Ag1 N4B 117.4(4)  | N2B Ag4 O3 86.0(5)    | N2A N3A Ag3 124.8(9)  |
| N1A Ag1 O4' 143.9(16) | N1B Ag5 N4D 145.9(4)  | N4A N3A Ag3 122.6(8)  |
| N4B Ag1 O4' 96.7(15)  | N1B Ag5 N2C 102.4(4)  | C1A N4A N3A 103.6(10) |
| N1A Ag1 N2D 103.5(4)  | N4D Ag5 N2C 95.1(4)   | C1A N4A Ag4 139.7(9)  |
| N4B Ag1 N2D 94.5(4)   | N4A C1A N1A 113.4(12) | N3A N4A Ag4 116.6(8)  |
| O4' Ag1 N2D 84.2(10)  | N4A C1A N5A 124.8(12) | O2A N5A O1A 125.2(12) |
| N1D Ag2 N4C 143.1(4)  | N1A C1A N5A 121.8(12) | O2A N5A C1A 117.2(12) |
| N1D Ag2 N2A 102.1(4)  | N4B C1B N1B 112.8(11) | O1A N5A C1A 117.6(12) |
| N4C Ag2 N2A 95.0(4)   | N4B C1B N5B 123.4(13) | N2B N1B C1B 104.0(10) |
| N1D Ag2 O5 107.9(5)   | N1B C1B N5B 123.7(12) | N2B N1B Ag5 124.5(8)  |
| N4C Ag2 O5 102.6(5)   | N4C C1C N1C 112.8(12) | C1B N1B Ag5 129.5(8)  |
| N2A Ag2 O5 95.4(8)    | N4C C1C N5C 124.5(12) | N3B N2B N1B 110.7(11) |
| N1D Ag2 O5' 108.8(6)  | N1C C1C N5C 122.5(12) | N3B N2B Ag4 116.3(9)  |
| N4C Ag2 O5' 95.0(7)   | N1D C1D N4D 113.5(11) | N1B N2B Ag4 132.9(8)  |
| N2A Ag2 O5' 110.5(8)  | N1D C1D N5D 123.3(11) | N2B N3B N4B 109.5(11) |
| N3A Ag3 N3D 162.4(4)  | N4D C1D N5D 123.1(11) | N2B N3B Ag3 122.5(9)  |
| N3A Ag3 N3C 91.8(4)   | C1A N1A N2A 103.0(11) | N4B N3B Ag3 127.7(8)  |
| N3D Ag3 N3C 86.1(3)   | C1A N1A Ag1 131.3(9)  | C1B N4B N3B 103.0(11) |
| N3A Ag3 N3B 93.7(4)   | N2A N1A Ag1 123.3(9)  | C1B N4B Ag1 142.5(9)  |
| N3D Ag3 N3B 92.5(4)   | N3A N2A N1A 108.7(11) | N3B N4B Ag1 111.5(8)  |
| N3C Ag3 N3B 165.8(4)  | N3A N2A Ag2 118.4(10) | O2B N5B O1B 125.5(13) |
| N1C Ag4 N4A 139.8(4)  | N1A N2A Ag2 132.6(9)  | O2B N5B C1B 117.5(12) |
| N1C Ag4 N2B 102.6(4)  | N2A N3A N4A 111.3(12) | O1B N5B C1B 116.8(12) |
| N4A Ag4 N2B 103.2(4)  | N2C N1C C1C 103.7(10) | N2C N3C N4C 107.8(10) |
| N1C Ag4 O3' 111.3(9)  | N2C N1C Ag4 126.1(9)  | N2C N3C Ag3 129.8(8)  |
| N4A Ag4 O3' 98.6(8)   | C1C N1C Ag4 126.1(9)  | N4C N3C Ag3 122.4(8)  |
| N2B Ag4 O3' 90.8(9)   | N3C N2C N1C 110.8(11) | C1C N4C N3C 104.8(10) |
| N1C Ag4 O3 117.1(6)   | N3C N2C Ag5 119.9(8)  | C1C N4C Ag2 130.7(9)  |
| N4A Ag4 O3 95.0(5)    | N1C N2C Ag5 129.3(8)  | N3C N4C Ag2 121.1(8)  |
| O2D N5D C1D 116.8(12) | O1C N5C O2C 125.1(13) | C1D N4D Ag5 132.1(8)  |

| O1D N5D C1D 116.6(12) | O1C N5C C1C 118.7(12) | N3D N4D Ag5 119.5(8)  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| O5 N6 O3 120.5(16)    | O2C N5C C1C 116.1(12) | O2D N5D O1D 126.5(13) |
| O5 N6 O4 119.8(16)    | N2D N3D Ag3 120.2(8)  | C1D N1D N2D 104.1(10) |
| O3 N6 O4 119.7(16)    | N4D N3D Ag3 130.8(8)  | C1D N1D Ag2 128.5(9)  |
| N6 O3 Ag4 109.0(14)   | C1D N4D N3D 103.8(10) | N2D N1D Ag2 125.8(8)  |
| N6 O5 Ag2 129.2(13)   | N6' O3' Ag4 125(2)    | N3D N2D N1D 109.9(11) |
| O5' N6' O3' 120(2)    | N6' O4' Ag1 100(2)    | N3D N2D Ag1 119.6(8)  |
| O5' N6' O4' 121(2)    | N6' O5' Ag2 124(2)    | N1D N2D Ag1 129.9(8)  |
| O3' N6' O4' 119(2)    | N2D N3D N4D 108.7(10) |                       |

Table S5 Bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for  $[Ag_5NT_4CIO_4]_n$ .

| Ag1 N1 2.204(5)      | C1 N1 1.318(7)       | N1 N2 1.348(6)       |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Ag1 N4 2.249(4)      | C1 N4 1.324(7)       | N2 N3 1.323(6)       |
| Ag1 N2 2.445(5)      | C1 N5Z 1.46(3)       | N2 Ag1 2.445(5)      |
| Ag1 O1 2.581(4)      | C1 N5 1.46(2)        | N3 N4 1.341(6)       |
| Ag2 N3 2.408(5)      | C1 N5A 1.47(2)       | N4 Ag1 2.249(4)      |
| Ag2 N3 2.408(5)      | Cl1 O1 1.442(4)      | N5 O2 1.220(11)      |
| Ag2 N3 2.408(5)      | Cl1 O1 1.442(4)      | N5 O3 1.234(12)      |
| Ag2 N3 2.408(5)      | Cl1 O1 1.442(4)      | N5A O2A 1.228(13)    |
| N5Z O2Z 1.222(15)    | Cl1 O1 1.442(4)      | N5A O3A 1.232(14)    |
| N5Z O3Z 1.232(15)    |                      |                      |
|                      |                      |                      |
| N1 Ag1 N4 141.68(17) | N4 C1 N5Z 120.7(9)   | N2 N3 N4 109.8(4)    |
| N1 Ag1 N2 108.08(16) | N1 C1 N5 122.8(7)    | N2 N3 Ag2 123.8(3)   |
| N4 Ag1 N2 99.26(16)  | N4 C1 N5 122.8(7)    | N4 N3 Ag2 126.4(3)   |
| N1 Ag1 O1 119.03(15) | N1 C1 N5A 120.5(8)   | C1 N4 N3 103.2(4)    |
| N4 Ag1 O1 92.00(15)  | N4 C1 N5A 123.6(8)   | C1 N4 Ag1 134.1(4)   |
| N2 Ag1 O1 78.49(14)  | O1 Cl1 O1 108.98(17) | N3 N4 Ag1 118.8(3)   |
| N3 Ag2 N3 91.49(4)   | O1 Cl1 O1 110.5(3)   | Cl1 O1 Ag1 111.8(2)  |
| N3 Ag2 N3 91.49(4)   | O1 Cl1 O1 108.98(17) | O2 N5 O3 125.4(18)   |
| N3 Ag2 N3 161.5(2)   | O1 Cl1 O1 108.98(17) | O2 N5 C1 117.6(13)   |
| N3 Ag2 N3 161.5(2)   | O1 Cl1 O1 110.5(3)   | O3 N5 C1 116.9(12)   |
| N3 Ag2 N3 91.49(4)   | O1 Cl1 O1 108.98(17) | O2A N5A O3A 126(2)   |
| N3 Ag2 N3 91.49(4)   | C1 N1 N2 103.3(4)    | O2A N5A C1 115.9(15) |
| N1 C1 N4 114.5(5)    | C1 N1 Ag1 131.6(4)   | O3A N5A C1 117.8(14) |
| N1 C1 N5Z 124.7(9)   | N2 N1 Ag1 120.1(4)   | O2Z N5Z O3Z 125(3)   |
| N3 N2 Ag1 120.5(3)   | N3 N2 N1 109.2(4)    | O2Z N5Z C1 118.0(17) |
| N1 N2 Ag1 130.1(4)   | O3Z N5Z C1 116.8(17) |                      |

# Packing styles of five ECPs without metal nodes



Figure S1 Packing styles of five ECPs without metal nodes.



## Electronic surfaces of four tetrazole ligands

Figure S2 Electronic surfaces of four ligands in the same range.







Figure S4 IR spectra for  $[Ag_3HT_2NO_3]_n$ .



Figure S5 IR spectra for  $[Ag_7AT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ .



Figure S6 IR spectra for  $[Ag_5NT_4NO_3]_n$ .



Figure S7 IR spectra for  $[Ag_5NT_4CIO_4]_n$ .

**DSC and TGA plots** 



Figure S8 DSC and TGA plots for  $[Ag_7MT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ ,  $[Ag_3HT_2NO_3]_n$ ,  $[Ag_7AT_4(NO_3)_3]_n$ , and  $[Ag_5NT_4NO_3]_n$ .



Figure S9 IR spectra for [Ag<sub>5</sub>NT<sub>4</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>]<sub>n</sub> and [Ag<sub>5</sub>NT<sub>4</sub>ClO<sub>4</sub>]<sub>n</sub>.

#### Bond dissociation energy

Table s6 BDEs of four ligand

| Compd                     | 5-MT  | 5-HT  | 5-AT  | 5-NT  |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| BDEs/kJ mol <sup>-1</sup> | 363.4 | 298.1 | 348.7 | 234.5 |