## ESI material for

## Enantioseparation and chiral induction in Ag<sub>29</sub> nanoclusters with

## intrinsic chirality

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**Fig. S1** Comparison of chiral HPLC chromatograms of  $Ag_{29}(BDT)_{12}(TPP)_4$  NCs monitored by CD detector (at 450 nm) using ethanol, ethanol/DMF (9/1), ethanol/methanol (9/1) and ethanol/acetonitrile (9/1). The addition of second solvent (10 vol%) did not much improve the peak separation compared to ethanol.



Fig. S2 ESI-MS of the first and second fractions together with the simulated isotope peak pattern with  $[Ag_{29}(BDT)_{12}]^{3}$ .



Fig. S3 (a) UV-vis and (b) photoluminescence spectra of  $Ag(BDT)_{12}(TPP)_4$  NCs before enantioseparation in DMF together with NC-samples after separation in 10 mM TPP solution in DMF.



**Fig. S4** CD spectra of NCs separated by the chiral HPLC after re-dispersion in (a) DMF and (b) DMF-TPP (10 mM) solutions.



**Fig. S5** (a) Apparent  $g_{abs}$ -spectrum of the first fraction and (b)  $g_{abs}$ -spectra of Ag<sub>29</sub>(DHLA)<sub>12</sub> NCs in water. blue: Ag<sub>29</sub>(*R*-DHLA)<sub>12</sub> NCs, red: Ag<sub>29</sub>(*S*-DHLA)<sub>12</sub> NCs, black: Ag<sub>29</sub>(*rac*-DHLA)<sub>12</sub> NCs.



**Fig. S6** Packing structure in the single crystal of Ag<sub>29</sub>(BDT)<sub>12</sub>(TPP)<sub>4</sub> NCs. (Crystal data was referred to M. Bakr et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, 137, 11970-11975.)



Fig. S7 Simulated UV-vis spectrum for the R-NC model.



**Fig. S8** (a) CD spectrum of the second fraction in ethanol. (b) Simulated CD spectrum based on the L-NC model structure.



**Fig. S9** Simulated CD spectra calculated with various functionals based on the optimized R-NC model.

(a) \_\_\_\_\_ Ag<sub>13</sub> core (D) (614-618)



(b)



611 (HOMO)

612 (HOMO)

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**Fig. S10** (a) Orbital energy diagram and orbital character with MO numbers in the parenthesis and (b) frontier molecular orbitals of  $Ag_{29}(1,3-propandithiolate)_{12}$ <sup>(3-)</sup>.

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State number <sup><i>a</i></sup>	$\lambda_{abs} (nm)$	$\Delta E_{abs} (\mathrm{eV})$	$\langle \mathbf{R} \rangle^b$	Transition character <sup>c</sup>
1–3	501	2.476	-17.5	$H \rightarrow L$
7–9	485	2.554	23.2	$H \rightarrow L+1$
10–12	481	2.577	-42.0	$H \rightarrow L+1$
13–15	451	2.747	26.4	$H-1 \rightarrow L$
31–33	430	2.885	-29.6	$H-1 \rightarrow L$
46-48	422	2.938	-44.7	$H-3 \rightarrow L$
54–56	411	3.015	22.3	$H-3 \rightarrow L$
68–70	407	3.048	-12.2	$H-5 \rightarrow L$
80-82	401	3.093	41.4	$H-7 \rightarrow L$
83-85	394	3.147	-28.6	$H-4 \rightarrow L+1$
95–97	391	3.168	-14.5	$H-8 \rightarrow L$
110–112	382	3.246	-41.5	$H \rightarrow L+2$
131–133	363	3.419	20.9	$H-9 \rightarrow L+1$
134–136	362	3.426	-30.1	$H-9 \rightarrow L+1$
137–139	359	3.456	-14.6	$H-1 \rightarrow L+2$
144–146	353	3.510	-95.5	$H-11 \rightarrow L$
148–150	351	3.528	16.1	$H-11 \rightarrow L$
156–158	342	3.626	-80.3	$H-8 \rightarrow L+1$
163–165	339	3.655	235.5	$H-11 \rightarrow L+1$
171–173	336	3.688	151.6	$H-4 \rightarrow L+2$
175–177	332	3.740	-118.9	$H-12 \rightarrow L+1$
186–188	327	3.788	-62.9	$H-7 \rightarrow L+2$
192–194	322	3.848	135.0	$H-8 \rightarrow L+2$
195–197	322	3.854	18.2	$H \rightarrow L+2$

**Table S1** Excited states of right-handed structure with rotatory strength (<R>) larger than 10.0 au calculated by B3LYP/LANL2DZ(Ag)+3-21G(C, H, O, S)

<sup>*a*</sup> Only triply degenerate (T symmetry) states have large rotatory strength.

<sup>b</sup> Rotatory strength was calculated in velocity form; only one component out of three is shown.

<sup>c</sup> H and L represent HOMO and LUMO, respectively.



Fig. S11 Optimized structures of Ag<sub>29</sub>(*R*-butane-1,3-dithiolate)<sub>12</sub> models.

**Table S2.** Energy difference among the optimized structures of  $Ag_{29}(R$ -butane-1,3-dithiolate)<sub>12</sub> models

Models	Energy(a.u.)	$\Delta E$ (kcalmol <sup>-1</sup> )
L-hand 1-coordination (L-1)	-15616.24770	10.50
R-hand 1-coordination (R-1)	-15616.26429	0.00
L-hand 3-coordination (L-3)	-15616.26411	0.05
R-hand 3-coordination (R-3)	-15616.22328	25.79



**Fig. S12** Optimized structures of  $Ag_{29}(R$ -DHLA)<sub>4</sub>(R-butane-1,3-dithiolate)<sub>8</sub> models with different ligand orientations (R-1 and L-3 models). Red broken lines denote coordination interactions between the silver atom and carboxylate group.



**Fig. S13** Comparison of CD spectra between (a) experimental data of  $Ag_{29}(R$ -DHLA)<sub>12</sub> and (b) simulated one based on the R-1 model.



**Fig. S14** (a) CD spectral change and (b) plots of  $g_{abs}$  (at 500 nm) of Ag<sub>29</sub>(*R*-DHLA)<sub>12</sub> NCs as a function of preparation temperature.



Fig. S15 Possible energy diagrams for the chirality inversion between R- and L-NCs.