

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### Homoleptic polynuclear Cu<sup>I</sup> and Ag<sup>I</sup> complexes of N-thiophosphorylated thioureas o-RO(O)CC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>NHC(S)NHP(S)(O*i*Pr)<sub>2</sub> (R = Me, Et)

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#### Physical measurements

Infrared spectra (Nujol) were recorded with a Thermo Nicolet 380 FT-IR spectrometer in the range 400–3600 cm<sup>-1</sup>. NMR spectra in CDCl<sub>3</sub> were obtained on a Bruker Avance 300 MHz spectrometer at 25 °C. <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR spectra were recorded at 299.948 and 121.420 MHz, respectively. Chemical shifts are reported with reference to SiMe<sub>4</sub> (<sup>1</sup>H) and 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (<sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H}). Electronic spectra of absorption in 10<sup>-4</sup> M solution were measured on a Lambda-35 spectrometer in the range 200–1000 nm. Elemental analyses were performed on a Thermoquest Flash EA 1112 Analyzer from CE Instruments.

#### Synthesis of [Cu<sub>3</sub>L<sup>I,II</sup><sub>3</sub>], [Ag<sub>4</sub>L<sup>I</sup><sub>4</sub>] and [Ag<sub>5</sub>L<sup>II</sup><sub>5</sub>]

A suspension of **HL**<sup>I,II</sup> (0.390 and 0.404 g, respectively; 1 mmol) in aqueous methanol (15 mL) was mixed with KOH (0.062 g, 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was added dropwise to a suspension of CuI or AgNO<sub>3</sub> (0.190 and 0.170 g, respectively; 1 mmol) in aqueous methanol (15 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 5 h. The resulting precipitate of KI or KNO<sub>3</sub> was filtered off and the solvent was then removed in vacuum. The residue was recrystallised from a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>–*n*-hexane mixture (1 : 3, v/v).

**[Cu<sub>3</sub>L<sup>I</sup><sub>3</sub>]:** Yield: 0.412 g (91%). IR: 579 (P=S), 967 (POC), 1536 (SCN), 1707 (C=O), 3261 (NH) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 1.28 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.0 Hz, 18 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, *i*Pr), 1.35 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, 18 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, *i*Pr), 3.91 (s, 9 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, Me), 4.82 (d, sept, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>P,H</sub> = 10.6 Hz, 6 H, OCH), 7.04 (d, t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 1.2 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.42 (d, t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 1.6 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.97 (d, d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.9 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 1.4 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 8.51 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 8.4 Hz, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 1.4 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 10.90 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>PNCNH</sub> = 6.3 Hz, 3 H, NH) ppm. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: 52.9 ppm. Anal. Calc. for C<sub>45</sub>H<sub>66</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>3</sub>S<sub>6</sub> (1358.97): C 39.77, H 4.90, N 6.18. Found: C 39.92, H 4.83, N 6.26.

**[Cu<sub>3</sub>L<sup>II</sup><sub>3</sub>]:** Yield: 0.392 g (84%). IR: 582, 585 (P=S), 974 (POC), 1540, 1543 (SCN), 1710 (C=O), 3273 (NH) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 1.28 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.2 Hz, 18 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, *i*Pr), 1.35 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.2 Hz, 18 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, *i*Pr), 1.41 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.0 Hz, 9 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, Et), 4.37 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.0 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>2</sub>, Et), 4.83 (d, sept, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.2 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>P,H</sub> = 10.6 Hz, 6 H, OCH), 7.05 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.41 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.5 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.98 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.9 Hz, 3 H,

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 8.50 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 8.4 Hz, 3 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 10.95 (d, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>PNCNH</sub> = 7.9 Hz, 3 H, NH) ppm. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: 53.7 ppm. *Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>72</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>3</sub>S<sub>6</sub> (1401.05): C 41.15, H 5.18, N 6.00. Found: C 41.03, H 5.24, N 5.95.

[Ag<sub>4</sub>L<sup>I</sup><sub>4</sub>]: Yield: 0.433 g (87%). IR: 584 (P=S), 979 (POC), 1531 (SCN), 1703 (C=O), 3268 (NH) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 1.30 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, 24 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, iPr), 1.34 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.0 Hz, 24 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, iPr), 3.90 (s, 12 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, Me), 4.80 (d. sept, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>P,H</sub> = 10.6 Hz, 8 H, OCH), 7.00 (br. s, 4 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.38 (br. s, 4 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.93 (br. s, 4 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 8.48 (br. s, 4 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 11.09 (br. s, 4 H, NH) ppm. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: 55.4 ppm. *Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>60</sub>H<sub>88</sub>Ag<sub>4</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>16</sub>P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>8</sub> (1989.25): C 36.23, H 4.46, N 5.63. Found: C 36.38, H 4.39, N 5.70.

[Ag<sub>5</sub>L<sup>II</sup><sub>5</sub>]: Yield: 0.414 g (81%). IR: 580 (P=S), 991 (POC), 1537 (SCN), 1712 (C=O), 3257 (NH) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 1.33 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.0 Hz, 30 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, iPr), 1.37 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, 30 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, iPr), 1.46 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.1 Hz, 15 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, Et), 4.42 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.1 Hz, 10 H, CH<sub>2</sub>, Et), 4.88 (d. sept, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>P,H</sub> = 10.8 Hz, 10 H, OCH), 7.09 (br. s, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.43 (br. s, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 7.99 (br. s, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 8.42 (br. s, 5 H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 11.16 (br. s, 5 H, NH) ppm. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: 56.1 ppm. *Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>80</sub>H<sub>120</sub>Ag<sub>5</sub>N<sub>10</sub>O<sub>20</sub>P<sub>5</sub>S<sub>10</sub> (2556.70): C 37.58, H 4.73, N 5.48. Found: C 37.71, H 4.65, N 5.54.

### Synthesis of [Ag(phen)L<sup>II</sup>]

**Path A.** A suspension of **phen** (0.090 g, 0.5 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL) was added dropwise to a suspension of [Ag<sub>5</sub>L<sup>II</sup><sub>5</sub>] (0.256 g, 0.1 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The solvent was then removed in vacuum. The residue was recrystallised from a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-*n*-hexane mixture (1 : 5, v/v).

**Path B.** A suspension of **HL**<sup>II</sup> (0.404 g, 1 mmol) in aqueous methanol (10 mL) was mixed with KOH (0.062 g, 1.1 mmol). The resulting mixture was added dropwise to a suspension of AgNO<sub>3</sub> (0.170 g, 1 mmol) and **phen** (0.180 g, 1 mmol) in anhydrous CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (10 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 4 h. The resulting precipitate of KNO<sub>3</sub> was filtered off and the solvent was then removed in vacuum. The residue was recrystallised from a CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>-*n*-hexane mixture (1 : 5, v/v).

[Ag(phen)L<sup>II</sup>]: Yield: 0.332 g (96%, *Path A*); 0.609 g (88%, *Path B*). IR: 572 (P=S), 1003 (POC), 1516 (SCN), 1710 (C=O), 3269 (NH) cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR: 1.39 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, iPr), 1.44 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.0 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, Et), 1.48 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.1 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>, iPr), 4.47 (q, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.0 Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>, Et), 4.86–5.07 (m, 2 H, OCH), 7.16–9.37 (m, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> + phen, overlapping with the solvent signal), 10.97 (br. s, 1 H, NH) ppm. <sup>31</sup>P{<sup>1</sup>H} NMR: 58.0 ppm. *Anal.* Calc. for C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>32</sub>AgN<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>PS<sub>2</sub> (691.55): C 48.63, H 4.66, N 8.10. Found: C 48.49, H 4.71, N 8.02.

### X-Ray crystallography

The X-ray data were collected on a STOE IPDS-II diffractometer with graphite-monochromatised Mo-K<sub>α</sub> radiation generated by a fine-focus X-ray tube operated at 50 kV and 40 mA. The reflections of the images were indexed, integrated and scaled using the X-Area data reduction package.<sup>1</sup> Data were corrected for absorption using the PLATON program.<sup>2</sup> The structures were solved by direct methods using the SHELXS-97 program<sup>3</sup> and

refined first isotropically and then anisotropically using SHELXL-97.<sup>3</sup> Hydrogen atoms were revealed from  $\Delta\rho$  maps and those bonded to C were refined using appropriate riding models. The NH hydrogen atoms in  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{I}}_3]$  was freely refined whereas the same hydrogen atoms in  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$  and  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$  were geometrically positioned and refined using a riding model with N–H = 0.88 Å and U(H) = 1.2 U<sub>eq</sub>(N). Figures were generated using the program Mercury.<sup>4</sup>

In  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$  the methyl groups of two *i*Pr and one *O**i*Pr are disordered over two positions with site occupation factors of 0.752(8), 0.50(3) and 0.51(3) for the major occupied site. The disordered atoms have been refined isotropically. In  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$  one *O**i*Pr and one C(O)OCH<sub>3</sub> groups are disordered over two positions with site occupation factors of 0.50(1) and 0.54(1), respectively, for the major occupied site. The disordered atoms have been refined isotropically.

**Crystal data for  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{I}}_3]$ .** C<sub>45</sub>H<sub>66</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>3</sub>S<sub>6</sub>,  $M_r$  = 1358.93 g mol<sup>-1</sup>, trigonal, space group *R*–3,  $a$  = 17.6497(2),  $b$  = 17.6497(2),  $c$  = 34.4980(5) Å,  $V$  = 9306.8(2) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z$  = 6,  $\rho$  = 1.455 g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\mu(\text{Mo-K}\alpha)$  = 1.356 mm<sup>-1</sup>, reflections: 25686 collected, 6312 unique,  $R_{\text{int}}$  = 0.0244,  $R_1(\text{all})$  = 0.0473,  $wR_2(\text{all})$  = 0.0960.

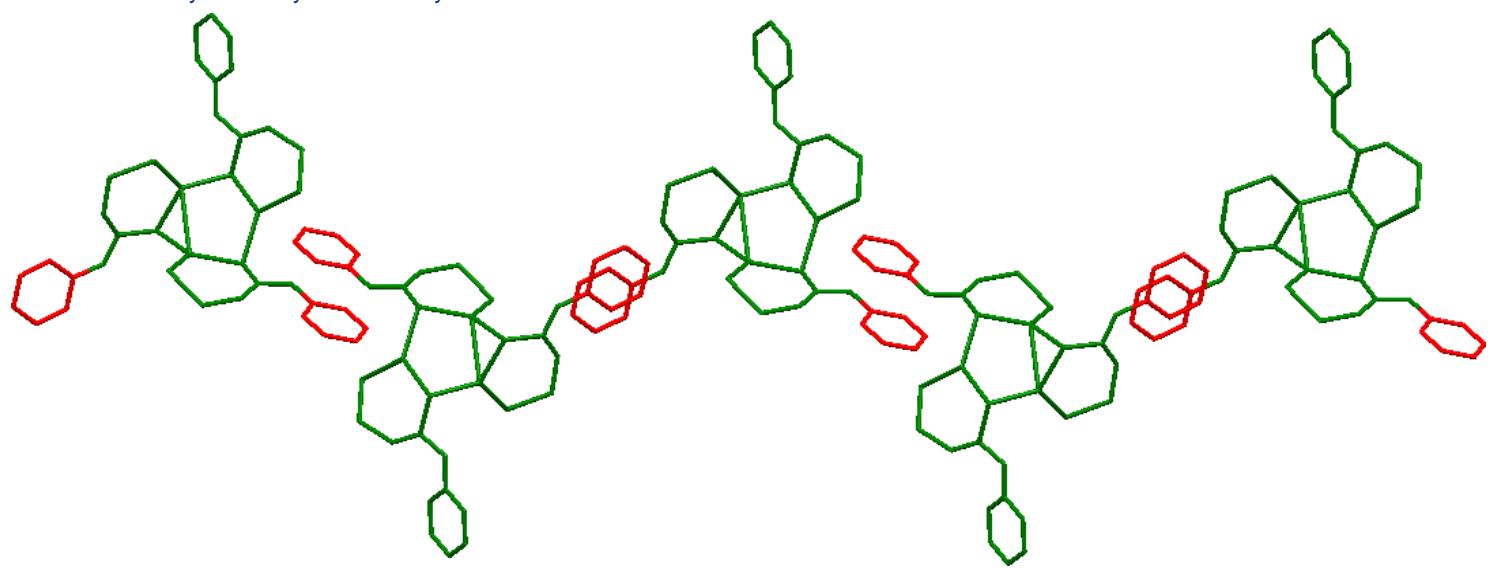
**Crystal data for  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$ .** C<sub>48</sub>H<sub>72</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>12</sub>P<sub>3</sub>S<sub>6</sub>,  $M_r$  = 1401.01 g mol<sup>-1</sup>, monoclinic, space group *P*2<sub>1</sub>/n,  $a$  = 11.8107(4),  $b$  = 19.7508(5),  $c$  = 27.3802(10) Å,  $\beta$  = 90.034(3)°,  $V$  = 6387.0(4) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z$  = 4,  $\rho$  = 1.457 g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\mu(\text{Mo-K}\alpha)$  = 1.319 mm<sup>-1</sup>, reflections: 43431 collected, 12987 unique,  $R_{\text{int}}$  = 0.0449,  $R_1(\text{all})$  = 0.0593,  $wR_2(\text{all})$  = 0.1406.

**Crystal data for  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$ .** C<sub>60</sub>H<sub>88</sub>Ag<sub>4</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>16</sub>P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>8</sub>,  $M_r$  = 1989.22 g mol<sup>-1</sup>, tetragonal, space group *I*4<sub>1</sub>/a,  $a$  = 27.4538(9),  $b$  = 27.4538(9),  $c$  = 10.7505(4) Å,  $V$  = 8102.8(5) Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z$  = 4,  $\rho$  = 1.631 g cm<sup>-3</sup>,  $\mu(\text{Mo-K}\alpha)$  = 1.301 mm<sup>-1</sup>, reflections: 75564 collected, 4145 unique,  $R_{\text{int}}$  = 0.0751,  $R_1(\text{all})$  = 0.0791,  $wR_2(\text{all})$  = 0.1373.

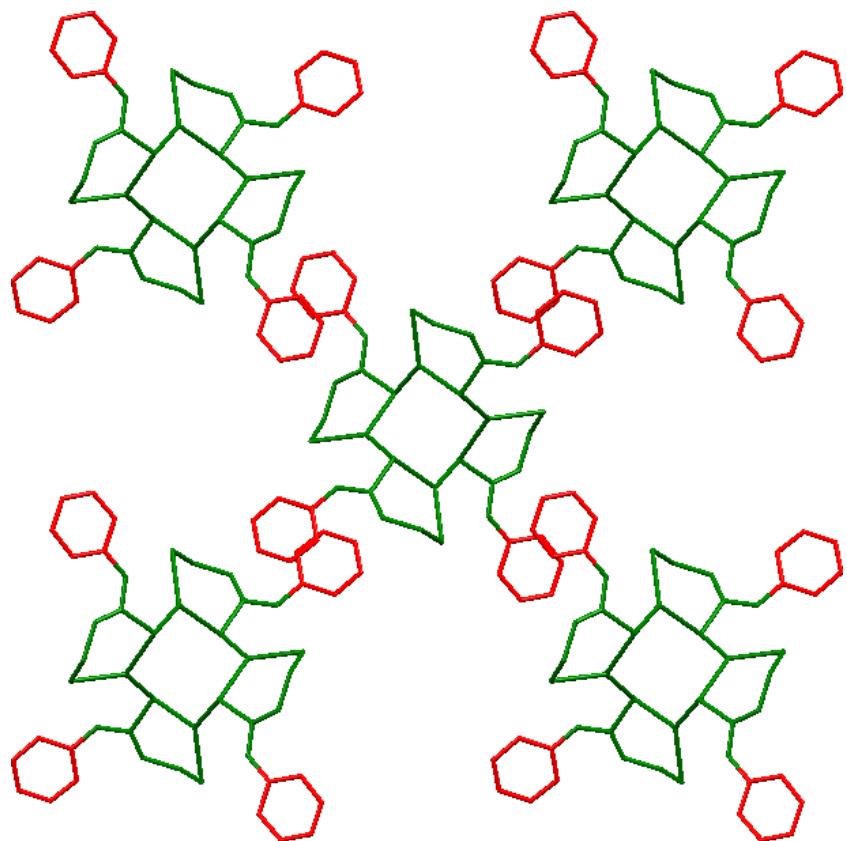
CCDC 805255 ( $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{I}}_3]$ ), 847766 ( $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$ ) and 813939 ( $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$ ) contain the supplementary crystallographic data. These data can be obtained free of charge via <http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/conts/retrieving.html>, or from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, 12 Union Road, Cambridge CB2 1EZ, UK; fax: (+44) 1223-336-033; or e-mail: deposit@ccdc.cam.ac.uk.

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**Fig. S1**  $\pi\cdots\pi$  interactions in the structure of  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$ . Hydrogen atoms, *i*PrO and EtO(O)C groups are omitted for clarity.



**Fig. S2**  $\pi\cdots\pi$  interactions in the structure of  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$ . Hydrogen atoms, *i*PrO and MeO(O)C groups are omitted for clarity.

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{I}}_3]$

<i>Bond lengths</i>					
Cu(1)–S(1)	2.2236(5)	N(2)–C(1)	1.3582(19)	P(1)–O(2)	1.5699(12)
Cu(1)–S(2)	2.2410(4)	P(1)–N(1)	1.6132(14)	P(1)–S(1)	1.9829(6)
Cu(1)–S(2)#1	2.1981(4)	P(1)–O(1)	1.5656(13)	S(2)–C(1)	1.7687(16)
N(1)–C(1)	1.2972(19)				

<i>Bond angles</i>					
Cu(1)#1–S(2)–Cu(1)	113.007(19)	P(1)–S(1)–Cu(1)	90.77(2)	O(1)–P(1)–N(1)	106.72(7)
S(1)–Cu(1)–S(2)	113.407(17)	C(1)–N(1)–P(1)	129.08(12)	O(1)–P(1)–O(2)	102.04(7)
S(2)#1–Cu(1)–S(1)	132.780(17)	N(1)–C(1)–N(2)	120.73(14)	O(1)–P(1)–S(1)	114.57(5)
S(2)#1–Cu(1)–S(2)	113.68(2)	N(1)–C(1)–S(2)	124.48(12)	O(2)–P(1)–N(1)	105.87(7)
C(1)–S(2)–Cu(1)	106.77(5)	N(1)–P(1)–S(1)	116.68(6)	O(2)–P(1)–S(1)	109.64(5)
C(1)–S(2)–Cu(1)#1	115.82(5)	N(2)–C(1)–S(2)	114.74(11)		

Symmetry operator: #1 $-x + y, -x + 1, z$
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**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$

<i>Bond lengths</i>					
Cu(1A)–Cu(1B)	2.8073(6)	N(2)–C(1)	1.354(4)	P(1A)–O(2A)	1.665(4)
Cu(1)–S(1)	2.2349(10)	N(1A)–C(1A)	1.292(5)	P(1B)–O(2B)	1.567(3)
Cu(1)–S(2)	2.2303(10)	N(2A)–C(1A)	1.352(5)	P(1B)–O(1B)	1.587(3)
Cu(1)–S(2B)	2.2302(9)	N(1B)–C(1B)	1.287(4)	P(1B)–O(1")	1.643(16)
Cu(1A)–S(1A)	2.2433(13)	N(2B)–C(1B)	1.362(4)	P(1)–S(1)	1.9780(12)
Cu(1A)–S(2A)	2.2096(10)	P(1)–N(1)	1.616(3)	P(1A)–S(1A)	1.9631(17)
Cu(1B)–S(1B)	2.2492(12)	P(1A)–N(1A)	1.585(3)	P(1B)–S(1B)	1.9735(14)
Cu(1B)–S(2B)	2.2032(9)	P(1B)–N(1B)	1.608(3)	S(2)–C(1)	1.771(3)
S(2)–Cu(1A)	2.2278(11)	P(1)–O(1)	1.567(2)	S(2A)–C(1A)	1.785(4)
S(2A)–Cu(1B)	2.2510(10)	P(1)–O(2)	1.570(2)	S(2B)–C(1B)	1.778(3)
N(1)–C(1)	1.299(4)	P(1A)–O(1A)	1.552(3)		
<i>Bond angles</i>					
Cu(1A)–S(2)–Cu(1)	94.74(4)	C(1A)–S(2A)–Cu(1A)	106.56(12)	N(1A)–P(1A)–S(1A)	121.54(13)
Cu(1A)–S(2A)–Cu(1B)	78.00(3)	C(1A)–S(2A)–Cu(1B)	98.76(12)	N(1B)–P(1B)–S(1B)	120.88(13)
Cu(1B)–S(2B)–Cu(1)	95.56(3)	C(1B)–S(2B)–Cu(1)	107.72(11)	O(1)–P(1)–N(1)	110.89(15)
S(1A)–Cu(1A)–Cu(1B)	111.51(4)	C(1B)–S(2B)–Cu(1B)	107.78(11)	O(2)–P(1)–N(1)	103.67(14)
S(1B)–Cu(1B)–Cu(1A)	117.24(3)	P(1)–S(1)–Cu(1)	95.20(4)	O(1A)–P(1A)–N(1A)	105.59(19)
S(2)–Cu(1A)–Cu(1B)	102.28(3)	P(1A)–S(1A)–Cu(1A)	97.05(6)	O(2A)–P(1A)–N(1A)	97.51(18)
S(2A)–Cu(1B)–Cu(1A)	50.34(3)	P(1B)–S(1B)–Cu(1B)	96.23(5)	O(1B)–P(1B)–N(1B)	104.20(17)
S(2A)–Cu(1A)–Cu(1B)	51.66(3)	C(1)–N(1)–P(1)	129.1(2)	O(2B)–P(1B)–N(1B)	104.27(16)
S(2B)–Cu(1B)–Cu(1A)	104.77(3)	C(1A)–N(1A)–P(1A)	135.0(3)	O(1")–P(1B)–N(1B)	110.1(6)
S(1B)–Cu(1B)–S(2A)	120.58(4)	C(1B)–N(1B)–P(1B)	134.3(3)	O(1)–P(1)–O(2)	102.52(14)
S(2)–Cu(1)–S(1)	114.40(4)	N(1)–C(1)–N(2)	120.8(3)	O(1A)–P(1A)–O(2A)	98.98(19)
S(2)–Cu(1A)–S(1A)	125.65(4)	N(1A)–C(1A)–N(2A)	121.4(3)	O(2B)–P(1B)–O(1B)	98.14(18)
S(2A)–Cu(1A)–S(1A)	116.53(4)	N(1B)–C(1B)–N(2B)	120.5(3)	O(2B)–P(1B)–O(1")	119.8(6)
S(2A)–Cu(1A)–S(2)	117.82(4)	N(1)–C(1)–S(2)	126.8(3)	O(1)–P(1)–S(1)	108.86(10)
S(2B)–Cu(1)–S(1)	126.22(4)	N(1A)–C(1A)–S(2A)	128.4(3)	O(2)–P(1)–S(1)	110.70(11)
S(2B)–Cu(1)–S(2)	119.38(4)	N(1B)–C(1B)–S(2B)	127.6(3)	O(1A)–P(1A)–S(1A)	118.48(16)
S(2B)–Cu(1B)–S(1B)	115.28(4)	N(2)–C(1)–S(2)	112.3(2)	O(2A)–P(1A)–S(1A)	110.49(14)
S(2B)–Cu(1B)–S(2A)	124.11(4)	N(2A)–C(1A)–S(2A)	110.2(3)	O(1B)–P(1B)–S(1B)	112.76(15)
C(1)–S(2)–Cu(1)	105.69(11)	N(2B)–C(1B)–S(2B)	111.7(2)	O(2B)–P(1B)–S(1B)	113.77(12)
C(1)–S(2)–Cu(1A)	105.82(12)	N(1)–P(1)–S(1)	118.90(11)	O(1")–P(1B)–S(1B)	88.5(6)

**Table S3.** Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$

<i>Bond lengths</i>					
Ag(1)–S(1)	2.477(2)	C(1)–N(2)	1.358(6)	P(1)–O(2)	1.680(11)
Ag(1)–S(2)	2.5134(15)	C(1)–S(2)	1.767(5)	P(1)–O(2')	1.548(8)
Ag(1)–S(2)#1	2.4182(16)	P(1)–N(1)	1.616(5)	P(1)–S(1)	1.951(3)
C(1)–N(1)	1.283(7)	P(1)–O(1)	1.560(5)		

<i>Bond angles</i>					
Ag(1)#2–S(2)–Ag(1)	92.15(5)	C(1)–N(1)–P(1)	128.9(4)	N(1)–P(1)–S(1)	117.0(2)
S(1)–Ag(1)–S(2)	104.21(6)	N(1)–C(1)–N(2)	120.5(5)	O(1)–P(1)–O(2)	94.9(4)
S(2)#1–Ag(1)–S(1)	134.84(6)	N(1)–C(1)–S(2)	125.5(4)	O(1)–P(1)–O(2')	112.4(4)
S(2)#1–Ag(1)–S(2)	120.93(6)	N(2)–C(1)–S(2)	114.0(4)	O(1)–P(1)–S(1)	115.4(2)
C(1)–S(2)–Ag(1)	102.27(18)	N(1)–P(1)–O(1)	107.1(3)	O(2)–P(1)–S(1)	120.9(4)
C(1)–S(2)–Ag(1)#2	111.14(19)	N(1)–P(1)–O(2)	98.2(4)	O(2')–P(1)–S(1)	94.9(4)
P(1)–S(1)–Ag(1)	94.49(8)	N(1)–P(1)–O(2')	109.7(3)		

Symmetry operators: #1 $-y + 5/4, x + 1/4, -z + 1/4$ ; #2 $y - 1/4, -x + 5/4, -z + 1/4$					
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**Table S4.** Hydrogen bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^\circ$ ) for  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$  and  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$

Complex	D–H $\cdots$ A	$d(\text{D–H})$	$d(\text{H\cdotsA})$	$d(\text{D\cdotsA})$	$\angle(\text{DHA})$
$[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{I}}_3]$	N(2)–H(2) $\cdots$ O(3)	0.81(2)	2.05(2)	2.6794(19)	133.8(19)
$[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$	N(2)–H(2) $\cdots$ O(3)	0.88	2.07	2.664(4)	124
	N(2A)–H(2A1) $\cdots$ O(3A)	0.88	1.91	2.649(4)	141
	N(2B)–H(2B) $\cdots$ O(3B)	0.88	1.98	2.647(4)	132
$[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$	N(2)–H(2) $\cdots$ O(3)	0.88	2.00	2.692(9)	135
	N(2)–H(2) $\cdots$ O(3')	0.88	1.92	2.653(9)	140

**Table S5.** Selected  $\pi\cdots\pi$  interactions for  $[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]$  and  $[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]$

	Cg( <i>I</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	Cg( <i>J</i> ) <sup>a</sup>	Cg–Cg <sup>b</sup> ( $\text{\AA}$ )	Dihedral angle ( $^\circ$ )	Beta <sup>c</sup> ( $^\circ$ )
$[\text{Cu}_3\text{L}^{\text{II}}_3]^d$	Cg(8)	Cg(8)#1	4.263(2)	0.03	38.23
	Cg(9)	Cg(9)#2	3.896(2)	0.03	25.65
$[\text{Ag}_4\text{L}^{\text{I}}_4]^e$	Cg(2)	Cg(2)#1	3.941(5)	0.00	26.43

<sup>a</sup> Cg refers to the ring center of gravity and the numbers represent the rings involved in the interactions.

<sup>b</sup> Cg–Cg: distance between ring centroids.

<sup>c</sup> Beta: angle Cg(*I*) → Cg(*J*) vector and normal to plane *I*.

<sup>d</sup> Cg(8): C(11A)–C(12A)–C(13A)–C(14A)–C(15A)–C(16A). Cg(9): C(11B)–C(12B)–C(13B)–C(14B)–C(15B)–C(16B). Symmetry code: #1  $-x, -y, -z$ ; #2  $1 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z$ .

<sup>e</sup> Cg(2): C(11)–C(12)–C(13)–C(14)–C(15)–C(16). Symmetry code: #1  $3/2 - x$ ,  $3/2 - y$ ,  $1/2 - z$ .