

Supplementary Information

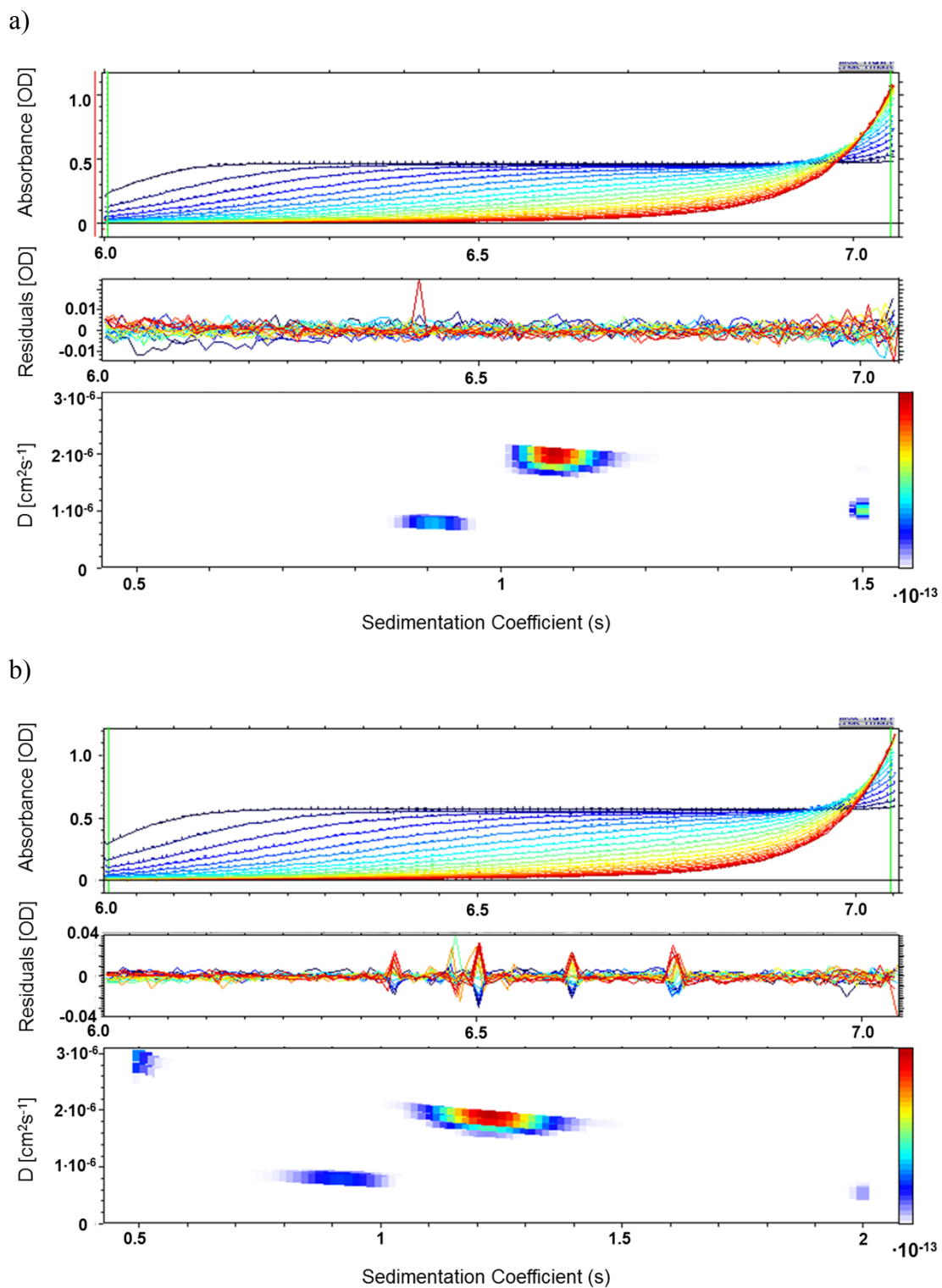
Azaporphine guest-host complexes in solution and gas-phase:  
evidence for partially filled nanoprisms and exchange reactions

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Data analysis

The size and molar mass of the guest-host complexes were calculated from optimized fits of the SV-AUC data according to the procedure described by Carney et al. in ref. 14 of the main text.

$$\rho_p = \rho_s + 18\eta_s s \left( \frac{1}{D} \frac{k_b T}{3\pi n_s} \right)^{-2}$$

$$M = \frac{s k_b T}{D} \left( 1 - \frac{\rho_s}{\rho_p} \right)^{-1}$$

$$d_h = \sqrt{\frac{18\eta_s s}{(\rho_p - \rho_s)}}$$

D - Diffusion constant,

$\rho_p$  - particle (molecule) density,

$\rho_s$  - solvent density,

$\eta_s$  - solvent viscosity ,

s - sedimentation coefficient,

$d_h$  - hydrodynamic particle diameter

T - temperature

Cu Cage (**A<sub>2</sub>B<sub>3</sub>Cu<sub>3-x</sub>H<sub>x</sub>Pd<sub>6</sub>(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>12</sub>**):

$$D = 2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

$$s = 1.2 \times 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$$

$$\rho_p = 1471 \pm 40 \text{ kg m}^{-2}$$

$$d_h = 2.14 \text{ nm}$$

$$M = 4565 \pm 100 \text{ Dalton}$$

2H Cage (**A<sub>2</sub>B<sub>3</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Pd<sub>6</sub>(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>12</sub>**):

$$D = 2 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}^2 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

$$s = 1.08 \times 10^{-13} \text{ sec}$$

$$\rho_p = 1424 \pm 15 \text{ kg m}^{-2}$$

$$d_h = 2.14 \text{ nm}$$

$$M = 4419 \pm 100 \text{ Dalton}$$

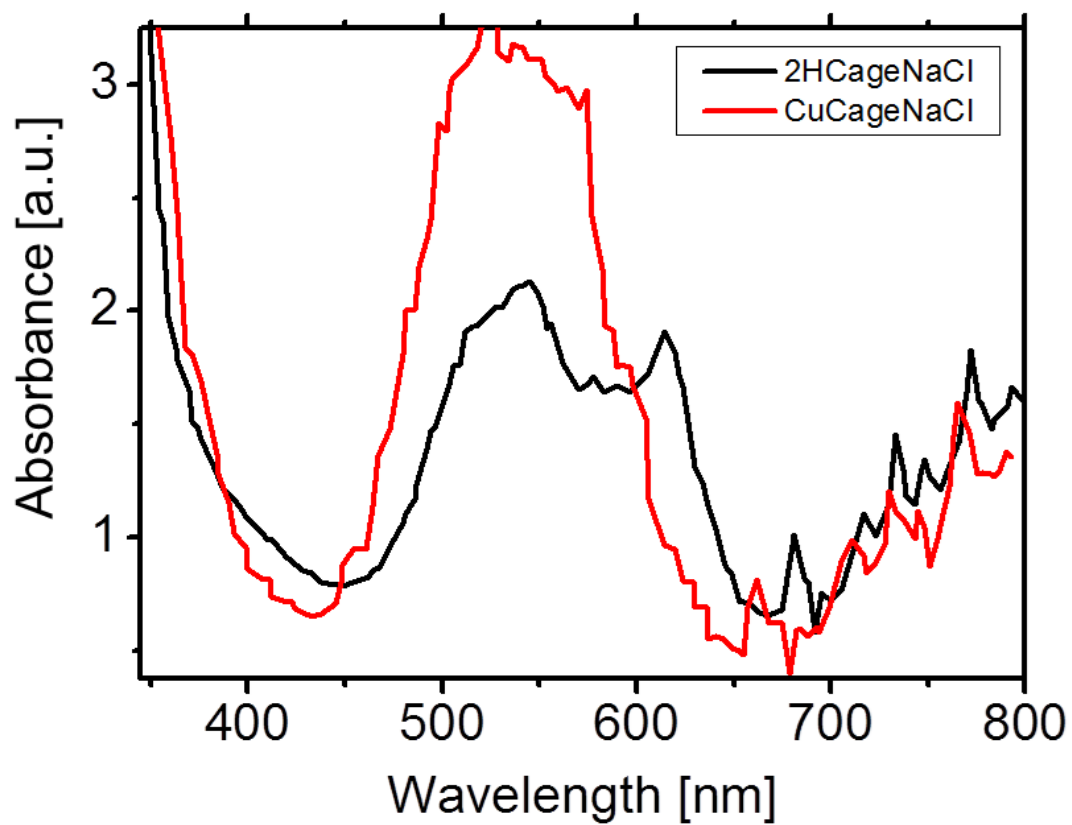


Figure SI 3.

UV vis absorption spectra of

a) Cu Cage ( $A_2B_3Cu_{3-x}H_xPd_6(NO_3)_{12}$ , red)

b) 2H Cage ( $A_2B_3H_3Pd_6(NO_3)_{12}$ , black) as measured during AUC at 3000 rpm.

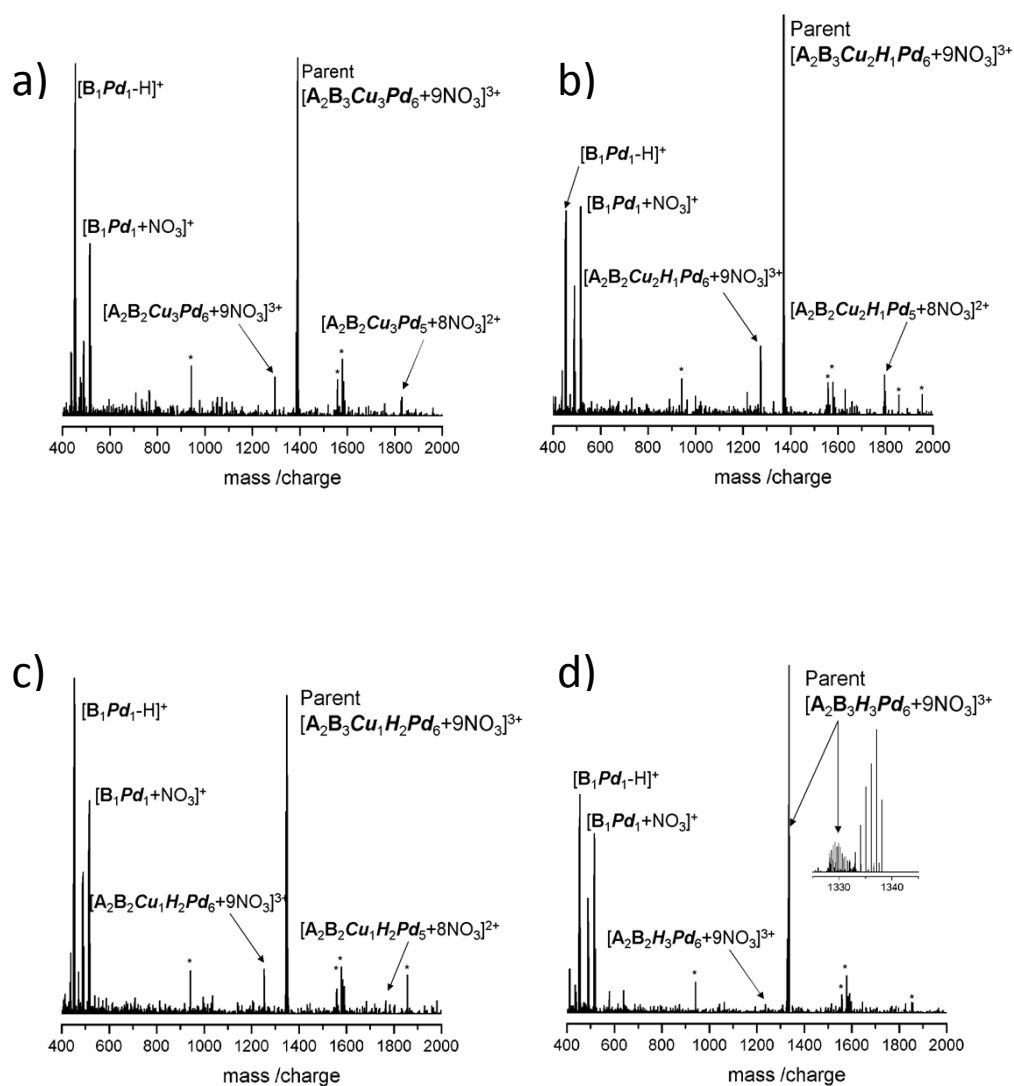


Figure SI 4.

CID mass spectra of  $[A_2B_3Cu_{3-x}H_xPd_6(NO_3)_9]^{3+}$ .

a) CID of  $[A_2B_3Cu_3Pd_6(NO_3)_9]^{3+}$ , b) CID of  $[A_2B_3Cu_2H_1Pd_6(NO_3)_9]^{3+}$ , c) CID of  $[A_2B_3Cu_1H_2Pd_6(NO_3)_9]^{3+}$ , d) CID of  $[A_2B_3H_3Pd_6(NO_3)_9]^{3+}$ . The peaks marked by (\*) are artefacts and correspond to electronic noise. Isolation width 10 amu, excitation 5 internal units. The dominant fragment is  $[B_1Pd_1-H]^+$  in the low mass range, in the high mass range  $[A_2B_2Cu_{3-x}H_xPd_6(NO_3)_9]^{3+}$  is dominating, corresponding the loss of a neutral bipyridine "pillar" B.