

Silver Nanoclusters: Controlled Synthesis, Structures and Photoluminescence

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Table S1. Crystal Structures of Some Ag NCs.

Formula	Core		Shell	Ag...Ag bonds		Number of free electrons	Ref.
	composition	geometry	composition	bond dist (Å)	average bond dist (Å)		
Thiol-Protected Ag NCs							
[Ag ₂₅ (SPhMe ₂) ₁₈] ⁻	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	Ag ₁₂ (SPhMe ₂) ₁₈	2.749–3.221	2.910	8	23
[Ag ₂₉ (BDT) ₁₂ (PPh ₃) ₄] ³⁻	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	Ag ₁₆ S ₂₄ P ₄	2.755–3.158	2.955	8	24
[Ag ₃₄ S ₂ (PhCH ₂ S) ₁₈ (CF ₃ CO ₂) ₉]	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	[Ag ₂₁ S ₂ (PhCH ₂ S) ₁₈ (CF ₃ CO ₂) ₉]	2.719–3.190	2.963	3	140
[Ag ₄₄ (SR) ₃₀] ⁴⁻	Ag ₁₂ @Ag ₂₀	icosahedron@dodecahedron	Ag ₁₂ (SR) ₃₀	2.812–3.223	2.957	18	25,26
Ag ₅₀ (dppm) ₆ (SR) ₃₀	Ag ₁₂ @Ag ₂₀	icosahedron@dodecahedron	Ag ₁₈ (dppm) ₆ (SR) ₃₀	2.764–3.049	2.910	20	60
[Ag ₆₂ S ₁₂ (SBU') ₃₂] ²⁺	Ag ₁₄	face-centered cube	Ag ₄₈ (SBU') ₃₂	2.845–3.228	3.056	4	64

$[\text{Ag}_{62}\text{S}_{13}(\text{SBU}')_{32}]^{2+}$	$\text{S}@Ag_{14}$	twisty face-centered cube	$\text{Ag}_{48}(\text{SBU}')_{32}$	2.876–3.220	3.064	2	66
$[\text{Ag}_{46}\text{S}_7(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}]^+$	$\text{Ag}_6\text{S}@Ag_{32}$	face-centered cube	$\text{Ag}_8\text{S}_6(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}$	2.744–2.963	2.905	7	67
$\text{Ag}_{14}(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_2)_{12}(\text{PPh}_3)_8$	Ag_{14}	face-centered cube	$\text{Ag}_8(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_2)_{12}(\text{PPh}_3)_8$	2.810–2.850	2.830	2	68
$\text{Ag}_{23}(\text{PPh}_3)_8(\text{SC}_2\text{H}_4\text{Ph})_{18}$	Ag_{11}	helical face-centered cube	$\text{Ag}_{12}(\text{PPh}_3)_8(\text{SC}_2\text{H}_4\text{Ph})_{18}$	2.744–3.225	2.905	5	69
$[\text{Ag}_{38}(\text{SPhF}_2)_{26}(\text{PPh}_3)_8]$	Ag_{28}	fcc close-packing	$\text{Ag}_{10}(\text{SPhF}_2)_{26}(\text{PPh}_3)_8$	2.724–3.225	2.937	12	70
$[\text{Ag}_{63}(\text{SPhF}_2)_{36}(\text{PR}'_3)_8]^+$	Ag_{47}	fcc close-packing	$\text{Ag}_{16}(\text{SPhF}_2)_{36}(\text{PR}'_3)_8$	2.832–3.204	2.919	26	71
$[\text{Ag}_{67}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{32}(\text{PPh}_3)_8]^{3+}$	Ag_{23}	Ag_{13} cuboctahedron sharing with Ag_8 crowns to form Ag_{21} metal core, which is again connected with two Ag atoms	$[\text{Ag}_{44}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{32}(\text{PPh}_3)_8]$	2.846–3.048,	2.9195	32	75
$[\text{Ag}_{46}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}(\text{PPh}_3)_8](\text{NO}_3)_2$	Ag_{14}	face-centered cube	$[\text{Ag}_{32}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}(\text{PPh}_3)_8]$	2.770–3.218	3.037	20	73,74
$[\text{Ag}_{43}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{25}(\text{PPh}_3)_4]$	$\text{Ag}_{12}@Ag_{20}$	icosahedron@dodecahedron	$\text{Ag}_2\text{S}_5\text{P}$, $\text{Ag}_4\text{S}_8\text{P}$, $\text{Ag}_2\text{S}_4\text{P}$ and $\text{Ag}_3\text{S}_6\text{P}$, and SPhMe_2			18	73
$[\text{Ag}_{40}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}(\text{PPh}_3)_8](\text{NO}_3)_2$	Ag_8	cube	$[\text{Ag}_{32}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}(\text{PPh}_3)_8]$	2.770–3.218	3.037	14	73,74
$\text{Ag}_{40}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}(\text{PPh}_3)_8\text{H}_{12}$	Ag_8	cube	$[\text{Ag}_{32}(\text{SPhMe}_2)_{24}(\text{PPh}_3)_8]$		3.197	2	76
$\text{Ag}_{16}(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_2)_{14}(\text{dppe})_4$	Ag_8	nearly rhombus Ag_4 unit capped by two Ag_2 units above and below the rhombus	$[\text{Ag}_8(\text{dppe})_4(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_2)_{14}]$	2.694–3.040	2.845	2	80
$[\text{Ag}_{32}(\text{dppe})_5(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_3\text{CF}_3)_{24}]^{2-}$	Ag_{22}	pentagon face-sharing bi(pentagonal antiprism) Ag_{17} unit	$[\text{Ag}_{10}(\text{dppe})_5(\text{SC}_6\text{H}_3\text{F}_2)_{24}]^{14-}$	2.657–3.089	2.917	10	80

		that is side-capped by one Ag atom and one near-square Ag ₄ unit at the opposite direction					
Ag ₇₈ (dppp) ₆ (SR) ₄₂ Ag ₇₈ (R/S-bdpp) ₆ (SR) ₄₂	Ag@Ag ₂₁	three mutually interpenetrating icosahedron	Ag ₄₄ (dppp) ₆ (SR) ₄₂	2.760-3.078	2.869	36	81
[Ag ₃₂ (dppm) ₅ (SAdm) ₁₃ Cl ₈] ³⁺	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	[Ag ₁₉ (dppm) ₅ (SAdm) ₁₃ Cl ₈]	2.721-3.316	3.023	8	82
[Ag ₄₅ (dppm) ₄ (S'Bu) ₁₆ Br ₁₂] ³⁺	Ag ₂₃	two Ag ₁₃ icosahedron fused the three face sharing Ag atoms	[Ag ₂₂ (dppm) ₄ (SBut) ₁₆ Br ₁₂]	2.716-3.049	2.897	14	82
Ag ₃₃ (SCH ₂ CH ₂ Ph) ₂₄ (PPh ₃) ₄	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	Ag ₂₀ (SCH ₂ CH ₂ Ph) ₂₄ (PPh ₃) ₄	2.780-3.083	2.933	9	83
[Ag ₂₂ (dppe) ₄ (2,5-DMBT) ₁₂ Cl ₄] ²⁺	Ag ₁₀	combination of two perpendicularly connected Ag ₅ distorted trigonal bipyramidal units	Ag ₁₂ (dppe) ₄ (2,5-DMBT) ₁₂ Cl ₄	2.757-3.168	2.862	4	89
Alkynyl-Protected Ag CNs							
[Ag ₁₉ (dppm) ₃ (PhC≡C) ₁₄] ³⁺	Ag ₁₃	anticuboctahedron	[Ag ₆ (dppm) ₃ (PhC≡C) ₁₄]	2.867-3.228	3.014	2	93
[Ag ₂₅ (dpppe) ₃ (MeOPhC≡C) ₂₀] ³⁺	Ag ₁₃	anticuboctahedron	[Ag ₁₂ (dpppe) ₃ (MeOPhC≡C) ₂₀]	2.877-3.489	3.024	2	93
[Ag ₃₄ (BTCA) ₃ (^t BuC≡C) ₉ (tfa) ₄ (CH ₃ OH) ₃] ⁺	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	[Ag ₂₁ (BTCA) ₃ (^t BuC≡C) ₉ (tfa) ₄ (CH ₃ OH) ₃]	2.795-3.078	2.945	8	94
[Ag ₃₅ (H ₂ BTCA) ₂ (BTCA)(^t BuC≡C) ₁₆] ³⁺	Ag ₁₃	icosahedron	[Ag ₂₂ (H ₂ BTCA) ₂ (BTCA)(^t BuC≡C) ₁₆]	2.702-3.230	2.931	8	95
Ag ₄₈ (^t BuC≡C) ₂₀ (CrO ₄) ₇	Ag ₂₃	two classic Ag ₁₃ icosahedron connected by sharing one apical	Ag ₂₅ (^t BuC≡C) ₂₀ (CrO ₄) ₇	2.722-3.434	2.912	14	97

		Ag atom but missing two vertexes at two pole sites					
$[\text{Ag}_{51}(\text{tBuC}\equiv\text{C})_{32}]^+$	$\text{Ag}@Ag_{14}$	hexacapped body centered cube	$\text{Ag}_{32}(\text{tBuC}\equiv\text{C})_{32}$	2.695–3.383	2.872	18	36
$[\text{Ag}_{74}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CPh})_{44}]^{2+}$	$\text{Ag}_4@Ag_{22}$	fusion of four centered Ag_{13} icosahedrons by sharing the Ag_4 tetrahedron	$\text{Ag}_{48}(\text{C}\equiv\text{CPh})_{44}$	2.722–3.222	2.941	28	35
$(\text{C}_7\text{H}_{17}\text{ClN})_3[\text{Ag}_{112}\text{Cl}_6(\text{C}\equiv\text{CAr})_{51}]$	$\text{Ag}_{13}@Ag_{42}@Ag_{48}$	icosahedron@ Mackay polyhedron	$[\text{Ag}_9\text{Cl}_6(\text{C}\equiv\text{CAr})_{51}]$	2.716–3.442	2.921	58	96
Other Ligand-Protected Ag NCs							
$[\text{Ag}_{20}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_{12}]$	Ag_{13}	icosahedron	$[\text{Ag}_7\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_{12}]$	2.793–3.009	2.912	8	99
$[\text{Ag}_{21}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_2\}_{12}]^+$	Ag_{13}	icosahedron	$[\text{Ag}_8\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_2\}_{12}]$	2.754–2.998	2.911	8	98
$[\text{Ag}_{20}\{\text{Se}_2\text{P}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_2\}_{12}]$	Ag_{13}	icosahedron	$[\text{Ag}_7\{\text{Se}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_{12}]$	2.751–3.010	2.965	8	100
$[\text{Ag}_{21}\{\text{Se}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_{12}]^+$	Ag_{13}	icosahedron	$[\text{Ag}_8\{\text{Se}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_{12}]$	2.756–3.018	2.911	8	100
$[\text{Ag}_{21}(\text{dpa})_{12}]^+$	Ag_{13}	icosahedron	$[\text{Ag}_8(\text{dpa})_{12}]$	2.757–2.832	2.790	8	101
$[\text{Ag}_{22}(\text{dpa})_{12}]^{2+}$	Ag_{13}	icosahedron	$[\text{Ag}_9(\text{dpa})_{12}]$	2.770–3.168	2.933	8	101
$[\text{Ag}_{15}(\text{Ntriphos})_4(\text{Cl}_4)]^{3+}$	$\text{Ag}@Ag_8$	body-centered cube	$\text{Ag}_6(\text{Ntriphos})_4(\text{Cl}_4)$	2.570–3.160	2.891	8	102
$\text{Ag}_{28}(\text{dppb})_6(\text{MoO}_4)_4$	Ag_4	tetrahedron	$\text{Ag}_{24}(\text{dppb})_6(\text{MoO}_4)_4$	2.681–3.230	2.887	20	103
$[\text{Ag}_{27}(\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}\text{O}_{66})_3]^{17+}$	Ag_{27}	fusion of five octahedral $\{\text{Ag}_6\}$ units	$(\text{Si}_2\text{W}_{18}\text{O}_{66})_3$	2.710–3.020	2.842	10	106

Table S2. Optical Properties of some Ag NCs.

Formula	UV-vis absorption (nm)	Photoluminescence		State	Ref.
		Ex. (nm)	Em. (nm)		
Ag ₁₄ (SC ₆ H ₃ F ₂) ₁₂ (PPh ₃) ₈	368, 530	360	420, 536 nm	liquid	68
Ag ₁₆ (dppe) ₄ (SC ₆ H ₃ F ₂) ₁₄	485	360	440		80
{Ag ₃₂ (dppe) ₅ (SC ₆ H ₃ CF ₃) ₂₄ } ²⁻	485, 550	360	440		80
[Ag ₂₀ {S ₂ P(OR) ₂ } ₁₂]	443, 492, 540	425	950		99
[Ag ₂₁ {S ₂ P(O ⁱ Pr) ₂ } ₁₂] ⁺	425, 482, 540	435	921		98
[Ag ₂₂ (dppe) ₄ (2,5-DMBT) ₁₂ Cl ₄] ²⁺	368, 512, 670	-	670		89
Ag ₂₃ (PPh ₃) ₈ (SC ₂ H ₄ Ph) ₁₈	527	350, 467, 540	800		69
[Ag ₂₅ (SPhMe ₂) ₁₈] ⁻	410, 490, 675		850		23
Ag ₂₉ (BDT) ₁₂ (TPP) ₄	477, 513	450	659	liquid	24
			715	solid	
Ag ₃₃ (SCH ₂ CH ₂ Ph) ₂₄ (PPh ₃) ₄	460, 540	530, 600, 700	765, 810	liquid	83
[Ag ₄₆ S ₇ (SPhMe ₂) ₂₄] ⁺	430, 514, 651	325	550	liquid	67
			620	solid	
Ag ₄₈ (^t BuC≡C) ₂₀ (CrO ₄) ₇	309, 397, 491	288	420	liquid	97
[Ag ₅₁ (^t BuC≡C) ₃₂] ⁺	383, 484, 642		372	CH ₂ Cl ₂	36
			378	CHCl ₃	
			436	CH ₃ CN	
			444	CH ₃ OH	
[Ag ₆₇ (SPhMe ₂) ₃₂ (PPh ₃) ₈] ³⁺	425, 697	490	820	liquid	75