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Helicity-driven chiral self-sorting supramolecular polymerization with Ag⁺: right- and left-helical aggregates

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1. Methods

1.1 General characterization: The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were taken on a Bruker DRX 300, and Bruker DRX 500. Mass spectroscopy samples were analyzed on a JEOL JMS-700 mass spectrometer. The high resolution mass spectra (HR-MS) were measured by electrospray ionization (ESI) with a micro TOF Focus spectrometer from SYNAPT G2 (Waters, U.K.). A UV-visible spectrophotometer (JASCO J-815) was used to obtain the absorption spectra. IR spectra were observed over the range 500-4000 cm⁻¹, with a Thermo scientific Nicolet iS 10 instrument. Powder X-ray pattern (PXRD) was recorded on a Rigaku model NANOPIX X-ray diffractometer with a Cu K_{α} radiation source.

1.2 AFM observation: Atomic force microscope (AFM) imaging was performed by using XE-100 and a PPP-NCHR 10 M cantilever (Park systems). The AFM samples were prepared by spin-coating (2000 rpm) onto freshly cleaved Muscovite Mica, and images were recorded with the AFM operating in noncontact mode in air at RT with resolution of 1024×1024 pixels, using moderate scan rates (0.3 Hz). AFM images were recorded for fibers obtained from different ratio of right- and left-handed helix at diverse Ag⁺ equivalents. In each image, 50~100 fibers were selected from different regions of the mica and analyzed using XEI software developed by Park systems.

1.3 Circular dichroism (CD) and UV-vis studies: The CD and UV-vis spectra were recorded on a Jasco J-815 CD spectrophotometer. The CD and UV-vis spectra were determined over the range of 200-500 nm using a quartz cell with 0.1 mm path length. Scans were taken at rate of 200 nm/min with a sampling interval of 0.5 nm and response time of 0.5 s. To elucidate the supramolecular polymerization process, we first prepared the sample by dissolving R-L¹ (7.2 mM) with or without AgNO₃ in H₂O/DMSO (1:1 v/v). After adding the sample to the CD and UV cells, it was heated to 90 °C (1 °C/min) to form the monomeric species in CD and UV-vis spectroscopy. Then the sample was cooled to 20 °C (5 °C/min) in UV-vis spectroscopy. The time-dependent CD and UV-vis spectral changes were measured at 20 °C.

1.4 Calculation of thermodynamic parameter: The thermodynamic parameters governing the supramolecular aggregation of R-L¹ were obtained by the global fitting of the melting curves. This global fitting is performed by using the equilibrium (EQ) model reported by ten Eikelder and coworkers.¹ The values for the elongation enthalpy (ΔH_e) and the entropy (ΔS_e),

and elongation binding constant (K_e) used in the cooperative supramolecular polymerization models were determined by the global fitting of the heating curves,²⁻⁴ which were obtained by plotting the degree of aggregation (α_{agg}) of R-L¹(7.0 mM) without and with AgNO₃ (1.2 equiv.) at 326 nm against temperature with heating experiments. An elongation binding constant (K_e) for aggregation at 293 K was estimated according to equation 1, from which the enthalpy change (ΔH), and the entropy change (ΔS) were determined:

$$K_{\rm e} = e^{-(\Delta H_e - T\Delta S)/RT}$$
 (equation 1)

1.5 Preparation of silver complexes: Different concentrations ($0\sim2.0$ equiv.) of aqueous Ag⁺ solution were added to *R*-L¹ or *S*-L¹ (6.4 mM) solution in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). Time- and temperature-dependent CD and UV-vis spectra were measured.

1.6 Calculation of stability constants: The UV-vis titration with AgNO₃ for *R*-L¹ (50 μ M) was performed in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). The titration was performed with 0-3.0 equiv. of AgNO₃ at 25 °C. Titration data were fitted into a desired binding model with HyperSpec to calculate stability constants for 1:1 and 2:1 (Ag⁺: ligand) complexes, respectively.⁵⁻⁷

1.7 Theoretical calculations: We performed density functional theory (DFT) calculations to optimize the Ag⁺ complex systems using the Gaussian 09 package.⁸ The unrestricted B3LYP functional was employed for all optimizations and frequency calculations with Def2-SVP level of theory for all atoms.⁹⁻¹¹ All calculations were performed in the gas phase. All the optimized structures were confirmed by vibrational frequency analysis with no imaginary frequency. The Cartesian coordinates are shown in Tables S2-S4.

2. Synthesis and characterization

2.1 Synthesis of *R*-L² and *S*-L²

(*R* or *S*)-(–)-2-amino-1-propanol (0.28 g, 3.7 mmol) was added to a stirred suspension of powdered KOH (1.05 g, 18.7 mmol) in dry DMSO (20 mL) at 60 °C. After 30 min, 4'-chloro-2,2':6',2"-terpyridine (1.00 g, 3.7 mmol) was added to the mixture. The mixture was then stirred for 4 h at 70 °C and poured into 600 mL of distilled water thereafter. CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 200 mL) was used to extract the aqueous phase. Residual water in dichloromethane was dried over Na₂SO₄ and CH₂Cl₂ was removed in vacuum, and the desired product was purified by recrystallization with ethyl acetate to give 0.72 g (72%) of *R*-L² and *S*-L². Mp = 118.3 °C; IR (KBr pellet):

3375, 2964, 2926, 2846, 1577, 1565, 1473, 1439, 1403, 1353, 1204, 799 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.70 (tdd, *J* = 4.8, 1.8, 0.9 Hz, 2H), 8.62 (dt, *J* = 8.0, 1.1 Hz, 2H), 8.02 (s, 2H), 7.84 (td, *J* = 7.7, 1.8 Hz, 2H), 7.33 (ddd, *J* = 7.4, 4.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 4.14 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 4.1 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (dd, *J* = 9.1, 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.41 (dddd, *J* = 10.6, 7.6, 6.6, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 1.21 (d, *J* = 6.5 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 167.2, 157.1, 155.3, 149.7, 137.9, 125.0, 121.3, 107.3, 75.1, 46.2, 20.43; HR-Mass (m/z) calculated for C₁₈H₁₈N₄O [M]⁺: 306.3690.

2.2 Synthesis of *R*-L¹

R-L¹ and *S*-L¹ was prepared according to a literature procedure.¹² In a two neck flask, *R*-L² (0.50 g, 1.64 mmol) and TEA (0.1 mL, 0.72 mmol) were added to dry CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL). After cooling the solution in an ice bath, sebacoyl chloride (0.16 mL, 0.75 mmol) was added dropwise. The reactant was stirred for 3 h at room temperature. The crude product was recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂ to give a white crystalline solid *R*-L¹ in 49.7% yield (0.632 g). Mp = 198 °C; IR (KBr pellet): 3428, 3311, 2929, 2845, 1640, 1582, 1563, 1466, 1446, 1407, 1362, 1207, 1038, 785 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 8.68 (m, 8H), 7.99 (m, 8H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (ddd, *J* = 7.7, 4.8, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 4.15 (m, 6H), 2.02 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 4H), 1.42 (d, *J* = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 8H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 172.3, 167.1, 157.2, 155.3, 149.7, 137.8, 125.0, 121.3, 107.2, 70.9, 44.1, 35.9, 29.2, 29.0, 25.7, 17.6; HR-Mass (m/z) calculated for C₄₆H₅₀N₈O₄[M]⁺ : 778.3955, Found [M]⁺: 778.3954.

2.3 Synthesis of S-L¹

The synthesis of *S*-L¹ was performed as described in the synthesis of *R*-L¹. 52.4% yield (0.632 g). Mp = 198 °C; IR (KBr pellet): 3426, 3310, 2928, 2845, 1642, 1581, 1561, 1466, 1445, 1405, 1362, 1206, 1037, 786 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 8.70 (m, 8H), 7.95 (m, 8H), 7.86 (d, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 2H), 7.46 (ddd, *J* = 7.7, 4.7, 1.6 Hz, 4H), 4.17 (m, 6H), 2.12 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 4H), 1.40 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 8H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, DMSO-*d*₆): δ 172.1, 167.0, 157.3, 155.0, 149.9, 137.6, 125.2, 121.5, 107.1, 70.8, 44.0, 35.7, 29.0, 28.8, 25.6, 17.5; HR-Mass (m/z) calculated for C₄₆H₅₀N₈O₄ [M]⁺: 778.3955, Found [M]⁺: 778.3953.

3. Supplementary scheme and figures



Scheme S1. Synthetic method of R-L¹ or S-L¹.



Fig. S1 HR-ESI-MS spectra of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃; (A) 0 equiv., (B) 0.1 equiv. and (C) 0.2 equiv. in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.

[*Note*] The peaks at m/z 801.3854 correspond to $[R-L^1+Na]^+$.



Fig. S2 HR-ESI-MS spectra of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃: (A) 0.3 equiv. and (B) 0.4 equiv. in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S3 HR-ESI-MS spectra of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃; (A) 0.5 equiv. and (B) 0.6 equiv. in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S4 HR-ESI-MS spectra of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃; (A) 0.8 equiv. and (B) 1.0 equiv. in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S5 HR-ESI-MS spectra of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃; (A) 1.2 equiv. and (B) 1.4 equiv. in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S6 HR-ESI-MS spectra of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃; (A) 1.6 equiv., and (B) 1.8 equiv. in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S7 HR-ESI-MS spectrum of $[R-L^1Ag_2NO_3]^+$.



Fig. S8 HR-ESI-MS spectrum of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of AgNO₃ (2.0 equiv.) in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S9 (A) AFM image of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) without AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. Cross-sectional analysis (B) blue dots (for height) and (C) red dots (for pitch) in the image.



Fig. S10 AFM images of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. No shown all AFM images.



Fig. S11 AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.2 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber. No shown all AFM images.



Fig. S12 AFM images of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.4 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. No Shown all AFM images. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S13 AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.6 equiv. of $AgNO_3$ in $DMSO/H_2O$ (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. No shown all AFM images. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fi ber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S14 AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.8 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. No shown all AFM images. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fi ber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S15 AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 1.0 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. No shown all AFM images. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S16 AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. No shown all AFM images. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S17 Species distribution depending on $[AgNO_3]/[R-L^1]$ ratios monitored by ESI-MS.



Fig. S18 AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 2.0 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S19 AFM image of S-L¹ (6.4 mM) without AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging.

[*Note*] Since unaggregated species are visible in the AFM background, we did not include the background in the calculation of right- and left-handed fibers.



Fig. S20 AFM image of S-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.2 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) a fter 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S21 AFM image of *S*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.4 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S22 AFM image of *S*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.6 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S23 AFM image of S-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.8 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-han ded helical fiber.



Fig. S24 AFM image of *S*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 1.0 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S25 AFM image of S-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) a fter 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S26 AFM images of a mixure of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) and S-L¹ (6.4 mM) without AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S27 AFM image of a mixure of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) and S-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 0.6 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S28 LD spectra of R-L¹ (6.4 mM) with AgNO₃ (0, 1.2, and 2.0 equiv.) in DMSO/H₂O (1: 1 v/v) after 72 h aging.



Fig. S29 CD spectra of S-L¹ (8 mM) upon stepwise addition of AgNO₃ (0-2.0 equiv.) in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). The negative signal observed at ~297 nm (blue line) originates from free S-L¹, while the positive signal at ~307 nm (red line) originates from [S-L¹Ag]⁺.



Fig. S30 Time-dependent (0-1000 min) UV-vis spectra of R-L¹ (7.2 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) (cell path length: 0.2 mm): (a) 0 equiv. and (b) 0.4 equiv.

[*Note*] To elucidate the supramolecular polymerization process, we first prepared the sample by dissolving R-L¹ (7.2 mM) in H₂O/DMSO (1:1 v/v). After adding the sample to the UV cell, it was heated to 90 °C (1 °C/min) to form the monomeric species in UV-vis spectroscopy. Then the sample was cooled to 20 °C (5 °C/min) in UV-vis spectroscopy. The time-dependent UV-vis spectral changes were measured at 20 °C.



Fig. S31 Time-dependent (0-1000 min) UV-vis spectra of R-L¹ (7.2 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) (cell path length: 0.2 mm): (a) 0.6 equiv. and (b) 0.8 equiv.



Fig. S32 Time-dependent (0-1000 nm) UV-vis spectra of R-L¹ (7.2 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) (cell path length: 0.2 mm): (a) 1.2 equiv. and (b) 1.4 equiv.



Fig. S33 Fitting of UV-vis titration data to determine the association constant for the formation of $[R-L^1Ag]^+$ and $[R-L^1(AgNO_3)_2]$ with HyperSpec softwareS1 by employing the 1:1 and 2:1 (Metal : L) binding model⁵⁻⁷: (a) UV-vis titration of $R-L^1$ (0.05 mM) with Ag⁺ (0-3.0 equiv.) in DMSO : H₂O (1:1 v/v) and (b) HyperSpec output (circle: experimental points, solid line: theoretical fit).



Fig. S34 Time-dependent AFM images of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) in the presence of 1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). Aging times: (A) 1 h, (B) 3 h, (C) 1 day, and (D) 3 days.



Fig. S35 ESI-MS spectrum of *R*-L¹ (6.4 mM) with 1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) after 1 h aging.



Fig. S36 Time-dependent (0-760 min) CD spectral changes of R-L¹ (8 mM) in the presence of AgNO₃ (0-1.4 equiv.) in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) at 20 °C (cell path length: 0.1 mm): (A) 0 equiv., (B) 0.4 equiv., (C) 0.8 equiv., (D) 1.2 equiv., and (E) 1.4 equiv.

[*Note*] To elucidate the supramolecular polymerization process, we first prepared the sample by dissolving *R*-L¹ (7.7 mM) in H₂O/DMSO (1:1 v/v). After adding the sample to the CD cell, it was heated to 90 °C (1 °C/min) to form the monomeric species in circular dichroism (CD) spectroscopy. Then the sample was cooled to 20 °C (5 °C/min) in CD spectroscopy. The time-dependent CD spectral changes were measured at 20 °C.



Fig. S37 AFM images of a mixed sample of aggregate I (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) and aggregate III (7.2 mM, 21.5 μ L) (Ag⁺: *R*-L¹ molar ratio = 0.6) after 72 h aging. The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S38 AFM images of (A) aggregate I and (B) aggregate III. AFM image of a mixed sample of aggregate I (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) and aggregate III (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) after aging for (C) 10 min, (D) 1 h, and (E) 1 day. The molar ratio of Ag⁺ to *R*-L¹ in the mixed sample is 1.0 equiv. (F) Time-dependent CD spectra of the mixed sample of aggregate I (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) and aggregate III (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). The blue arrows indicate right-handed helical fiber. The pink arrows indicate left-handed helical fiber.



Fig. S39 Plot of CD spectral changes (at 323.5 nm) of R-L¹ vs temperature in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃: (a) 0.6 equiv. of AgNO₃ and (c) 1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃. (b) Aggregate I (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) + aggregate III (7.2 mM, 21.5 μ L), consisting 0.6 equiv. of AgNO₃. (d) Aggregate I (7.2 mM, 50 μ L) + aggregate III (7.2 mM, 75 μ L), consisting 1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃.

[Note] Temperature-dependent CD spectral changes were observed by heating with 1 °C/min.



Fig. S40 (A) Time-dependent CD spectra of aggregate I upon addition of $AgNO_3$ (1.2 equiv.) in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). (B) Plot of CD spectral changes (at 323.5 nm) of aggregate I upon addition of AgNO₃ (1.2 equiv.) vs time.



Fig. S41 (A) FT-IR spectra of sol state (brown line) of R-L¹ and aggregate I (blue line). (B) FT-IR spectra of (a) AgNO₃ (black line), (b) aggregate I (blue line), (c) aggregate II (purple line), and (d) aggregate III (pink line).



Fig. S42 Temperature-dependent ¹H NMR spectra of aggregate I in DMSO- d_6/D_2O (1:1 v/v); (a) 368 K, (b) 363 K, (c) 353 K, (d) 343 K, (e) 333 K, (f) 323 K, (g) 313 K, and (h) 303 K.



Fig. S43 Temperature-dependent ¹H NMR spectra of aggregate II in DMSO- d_6/D_2O (1:1 v/v); (a) 343 K, (b) 333 K, (c) 323 K, (d) 313 K, and (e) 303 K.



Fig. S44 WAXD patterns of *R*-L¹(6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v): (A) 0.5 equiv., (B) 0.8 equiv., and (C) 1.2 equiv.



Fig. S45 WAXD patterns of R-L¹(6.4 mM) in the presence of different equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v): (A) 0 equiv., (B) 2.0 equiv.



Fig. S46 DFT-optimized structures of (A) R-L¹, (B) [R-L¹(AgNO₃)₂], and (C) partial [R-L¹Ag]⁺. Note for the structure (C): Since NO₃⁻ remains uncoordinated in the FT-IR study, its coordination was ignored in the DFT calculation.



Fig. S47 Temperature-dependent absorption changes of (A) aggregate I and (B) aggregate II th rough heating (red points) and cooling (blue points).

[*Note*] In our repeated measurements of the cooling and heating curves for aggregate I (based on *R*-L¹), no evidences of the hysteresis were found (Fig. S47A). During the heating and cooling, the T_e values are 327.2 and 325.7 K, respectively. While the T_m values are 317.5 and 316.9 K, respectively.



Fig. S48 Temperature-dependent UV spectra of different concentrations of R-L¹ with AgNO₃ (A) aggregate I, (B) aggregate II, and (C) aggregate III in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v). The melting curves of aggregate II and aggregate III were measured by varying the aging time of the same sample (1.2 equiv. of AgNO₃). Aggregates I and II were measured after aging for 3 days, and aggregate III was measured after aging for 1 h.



Fig. S49 (A) Time-dependent UV-vis spectral changes of different $[R-L^1]$ in the presence 0.6 equiv. of AgNO₃ in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v): (a) 6.4 mM, (b) 6.8 mM, (c) 7.2 mM, and (d) 8.5 mM. (B: raw spectral data for the plots in A) Time-dependent UV-vis spectra of different $[R-L^1]$ in the presence 0.6 equiv. of AgNO₃: (a) 6.4 mM, (b) 6.8 mM, (c) 7.2 mM, and (d) 8.5 mM in DMSO/H₂O (1:1 v/v) at 20 °C (cell path length: 0.1 mm).

		$[R-L^1]_n$	$[R-L^1Ag]^+_n$	$[R-L^1(AgNO_3)_2]_n$
UV-vis	ILCT	280 nm	285 nm	285 nm
absorption	MLCT	No MLCT	318 nm, 326 nm	318 nm, 326 nm
Cl)	Positive(P-type)	Negative(M-type)	Negative(M-type)
Morphology		Right-handed helix	Left-handed helix	Spherical structure
		Rigns, handler Relenze	Left-hande heitz	
Ditah	Angle	<i>ca</i> . 28±3 °	<i>ca</i> . 30±3 °	
	Length	<i>ca</i> . 55±7 nm	$ca.75\pm5$ nm	
Heig	ght	<i>ca</i> . 8 nm	<i>ca</i> . 5 nm	<i>ca.</i> 7.5 nm

Table S1. Photochemical, helical, and morphology properties of suprmolecular polymers based on R-L¹ without and with AgNO₃.

Table S2. Cartesian coordinates of an optimized structure for R-L¹.

atom	Х	У	Z	atom	Х	у	Z
0	20.34365	-6.24608	-2.00909	С	1.82848	0.18669	1.81205
0	16.88319	-3.24205	-3.47785	С	2.18332	1.46574	2.24218
0	5.37778	-5.06214	-1.13148	С	1.18736	2.43657	2.35309
0	1.13451	-4.27374	-1.0479	С	-0.12463	2.07062	2.02935
Ν	23.26064	-10.4009	1.05595	Н	24.12196	-4.10394	0.13602
Ν	23.56973	-5.77757	3.02392	Н	25.47902	-2.67092	1.67436
Ν	22.71489	-7.64564	1.09797	Н	19.15803	-3.6598	-3.72442
N	17.96563	-5.21253	-3.14253	Н	19.88235	-4.28622	-1.49065
Ν	4.21376	-4.60544	-3.02156	Н	21.25165	-4.47956	-2.63137
Ν	-3.80583	-2.66107	1.81472	Н	20.7719	-5.01773	-5.09962
Ν	-1.12425	-1.88857	1.49042	Н	19.92074	-6.5101	-4.6324
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Table S3. Cartesian coordinates of an optimized structure for $[R-L^1(AgNO_3)_2]$.

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0	24.24329	-8.29714	5.03959	С	1.41884	-1.46418	2.52765
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Table S4. Cartesian coordinates of an optimized Structure for Partial $[R-L^{1}Ag]^{+}$.
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	ΔG (kJ mol ⁻¹)	$\Delta H_{\rm e}$ (kJ mol ⁻¹)	$\Delta S (J \text{ K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})$	<i>K</i> _e (L mol ⁻¹)	<i>T</i> _e (K)
Aggregate I	-22.25	-89.6	-226	1.4×10^4	335.70
Aggregate II	-20.33	-155.22	-453	1.0×10^4	314.28
Aggregate III	-17.48	-171.81	-518	3.7×10^{3}	307.28

Table S5. Thermodynamic parameters for aggregate I, aggregate II, and aggregate III (R-L¹: 7 mM) in mixed DMSO and H₂O (1:1 v/v).

^{*a*}Gibbs free energy. ^{*b*}Elongation enthalpy. ^{*c*}Entropy. ^{*d*}Elongation binding constant. ^{*e*}Elongation Temperature. The melting curves of aggregate II and aggregate III were measured by varying the aging time of the same sample (AgNO₃ 1.2 equiv.). Aggregates I and II were measured after aging for 3 days, and aggregate III was measured after aging for 1 hour.

4. Analytical data

4.1 ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectoscopy



Fig. S51 ¹H NMR spectrum (300 MHz) of R-L² in CDCl₃ at 25 °C.



Fig. S52 ¹³C NMR spectrum (75 MHz) of R-L² in DMSO- d_6 at 25 °C.



Fig. S53 ¹H NMR spectrum (300 MHz) of R-L¹ in DMSO- d_6 at 25 °C.



Fig. S54 ¹³C NMR spectrum (75 MHz) of R-L¹ in DMSO- d_6 at 25 °C.

4.2 HR mass spectrometry



Fig. S55 HR EI-MS spectrum of R-L² in DCM.



Fig. S56 HR FAB-MS spectrum of R-L¹ in DCM.

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