

## 1 1. Isotherm studies

2 The experimental results were fitted using the Langmuir and Freundlich isotherm models. The non-  
3 linear and linear Langmuir equations are expressed as follows:

$$4 \quad q_e = \frac{q_m K_L C_e}{(1 + K_L C_e)} \#(S1)$$

$$5 \quad \frac{C_e}{q_e} = \frac{1}{q_m K_L} + \frac{C_e}{q_m} \#(S2)$$

6 where  $q_m$  ( $\text{mol g}^{-1}$ ) is the theoretical maximum adsorption capacity, and  $K_L$  ( $\text{L mol}^{-1}$ ) is the Langmuir constant.

7 The nonlinear and linear Freundlich equations are as follows:

$$8 \quad q_e = K_F C_e^{1/n} \#(S3)$$

$$9 \quad \log q_e = \log K_F + \frac{1}{n} \log C_e \#(S4)$$

10 where  $K_F$  represents the Freundlich constant, and  $n$  refers to the adsorption intensity.

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## 12 2. Synthesis ligands and complex

### 13 2.1. Ag(I)-TETD

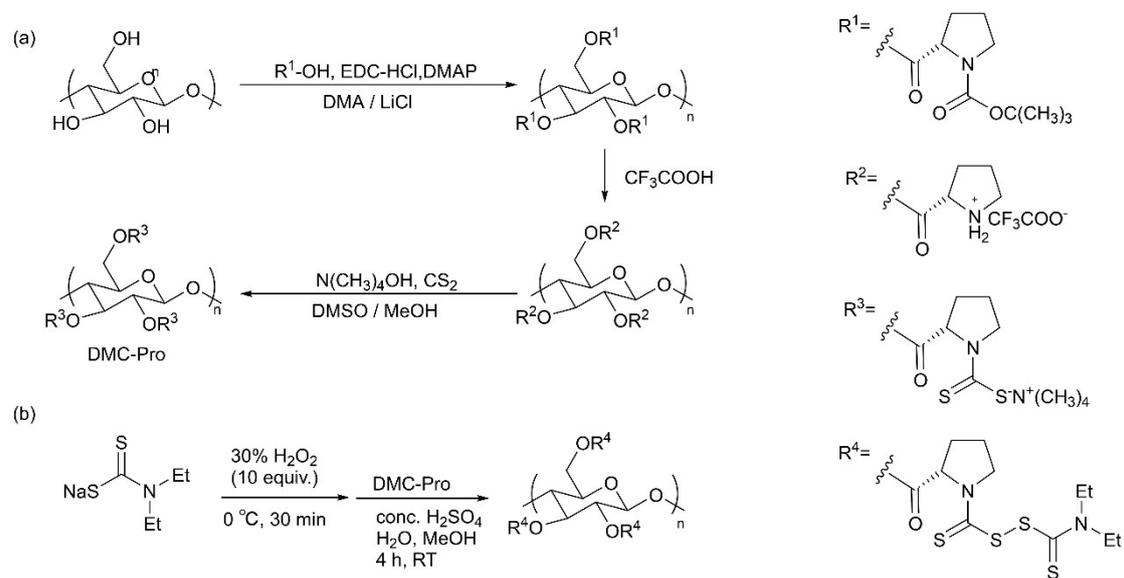
14 To a solution of  $\text{AgNO}_3$  (68.0 mg, 0.4 mmol) in 0.1 M  $\text{HNO}_3$  solution (100 mL) was added to TETD in  
15 an Erlenmeyer flask. After an hour of stirring, the resulting precipitate was collected by filtration, washed with  
16 water to remove residual silver ions, and dried overnight in a thermostatic chamber at  $40^\circ\text{C}$ , yielding an orange  
17 solid. Since its XPS spectrum suggests that Ag exists in the +1 oxidation state, the obtained compound was  
18 named Ag(I)-TETD.

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23 **3. Supplementary Figures & Tables**

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**Fig. S1.** TDMC synthesis protocol

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**Table S1.** Effects of solution composition on Ag desorption.

Solution	Desorbed Ag(I) [%]
0.1 M HNO <sub>3</sub>	0.0±0.0
1.0 M Thiourea	75.5±5.0

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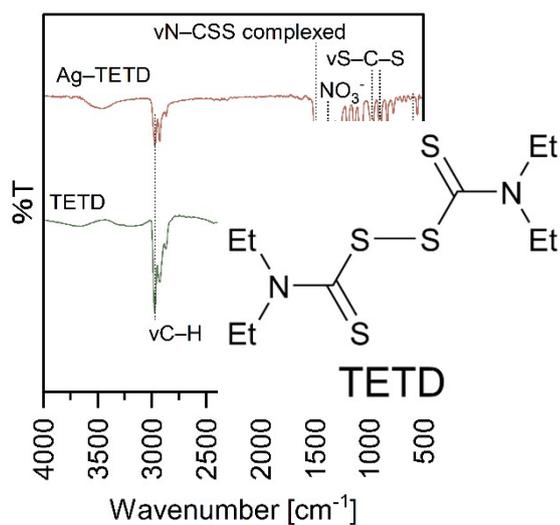
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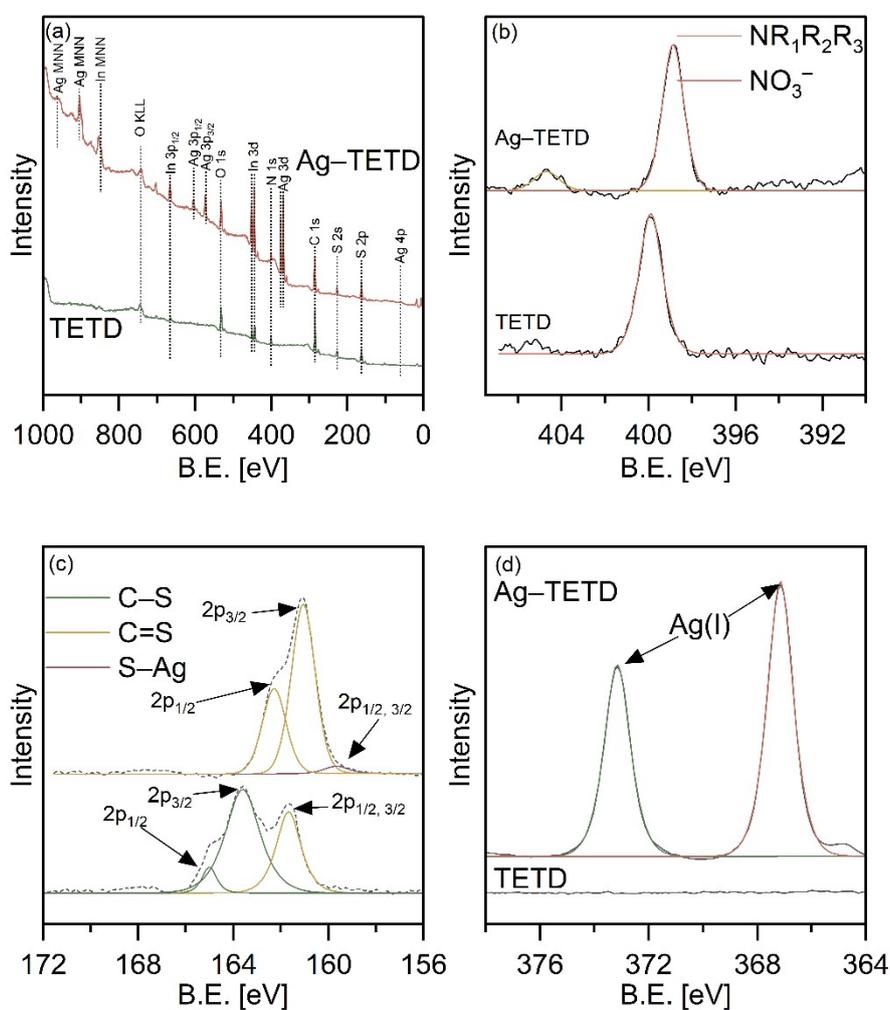
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Fig. S2. FT-IR spectrum of TETD, Ag-TETD

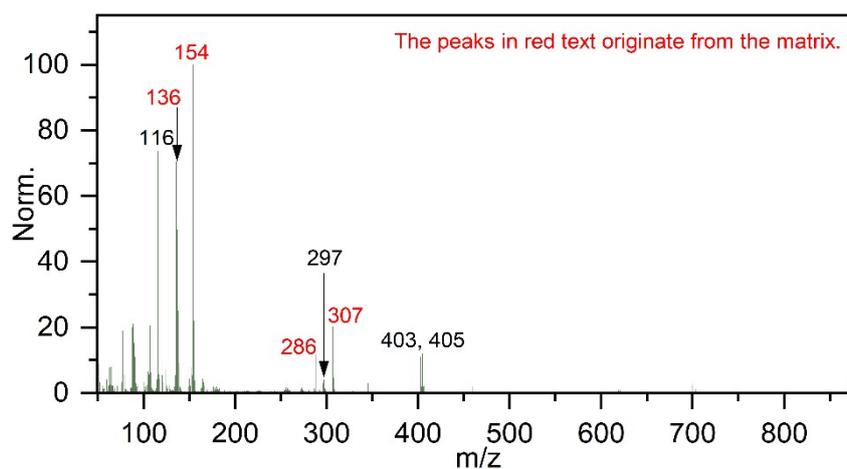


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43 Fig. S3. XPS (a) wide-scan spectra and narrow-scan spectra of (b) N 1s, (c) S 2p (d) Ag 3d for TETD and Ag-

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47 **Fig. S4.** FAB(+)-MS spectrum of Ag-TETD

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**Table S2.** FAB(+)-MS assignment for Au(I)-TETD

No.	Observed $m/z$	Identified formula	Identified species	Calcd. $m/z$
1	116	$C_5H_{10}NS^+$	$\begin{array}{c} \text{Et} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{N}-\text{C}^+ \\ \diagup \\ \text{Et} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \\ \\ = \\ \text{S} \end{array}$	116.0
2	136	$C_7H_6NO_2^+$	Matrix fragment	136.0
3	136	$[C_7H_7NO_3 + H]^+$	Matrix monomer	153.0
4	286	$[C_{14}H_{13}N_2O_5 + H]^+$	Matrix dimer fragment	286.0
5	297	$[C_{10}H_{20}N_2S_4 + H]^+$	TETD	297.1
6	307	$[C_{14}H_{14}N_2O_6 + H]^+$	Matrix dimer	307.0
7, 8	403, 405	$C_{10}H_{22}N_2S_4^+$ $^{107}\text{Ag}^+$ or $^{109}\text{Ag}^+$	—	403.0 407.0

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