

# Toward Molecular Rotors: Tetra-*N*-Heterocyclic Carbene Ag(I)-Halide Cubane-type Clusters

## Supporting Information

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## Crystallographic Reports

Crystallographic report for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**)

**Data collection.** A suitable prism was selected (0.100, 0.402, 0.554 mm), which was adhered to a fine nylon loop with a tiny bit of fluorocarbon oil; the loop was epoxied to a stout glass fibre mounted on a pin; the pin was placed on a goniometer head. The crystallographic properties and data were collected using MoK $\alpha$  radiation and the charge-coupled area detector (CCD) detector on an Oxford Diffraction Systems Gemini S diffractometer at 101.0 (+/- 1.0) K.<sup>1</sup> A preliminary set of cell constants was calculated from reflections observed on three sets of 5 frames which were oriented approximately in mutually orthogonal directions of reciprocal space. Data collection was carried out using MoK $\alpha$  radiation (graphite monochromator) with 9 runs consisting of 559 frames with a frame time of 10.300 s and a crystal-to-CCD distance of 50.000 mm, and a strategy to achieve a resolution of 0.7 Å. The runs were collected by omega scans of 1.0 ° width, and at detector position of 28.624 -30.343 ° in 2 $\theta$ . The intensity data were corrected for absorption with an analytical correction.<sup>4</sup> Final cell constants were calculated from 33513 stronger reflections from the actual data collection after integration. See Table S1 for crystal and refinement information.

**Structure solution and refinement.** The crystal belongs to the monoclinic system, space group P2(1)/n (variant of #14, nature's favorite) as determined from the cell geometry, reflections statistics, systematic absences, and successful solution and refinement. The structure was solved with SHELX-97,<sup>2a</sup> and refined with SHELXL-97.<sup>2b</sup> All non-H atoms were refined and with anisotropic vibrational factors. H-atoms were observable in difference electron density maps, and placed in idealized positions; all were refined as riding atoms with relative isotropic displacement parameters of 120% of the U(eq) of the attached atom. All atom positions are ordered, and there is no solvent. The final full-matrix least-squares refinement converged to R1 = 0.0189 (12372 reflections,  $F^2$ ,  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ); R1 = 0.0243 and wR2 = 0.0463 for all 14474 data, 505 parameters, 0 restraints, goodness-of-fit (S) 1.004, and no extinction. Data were included to 2 $\theta$  = 61°.

**Structure description.** Molecules are dimers with two ligands embracing an Ag<sub>4</sub>I<sub>4</sub> core, which is approximately cubical. The NHC's of the five-membered rings are coordinated to the silvers.

**Other Information.** Data collection and structure solution were conducted at the University of Portland Diffraction Facility, 112A Swindells Hall, Department of Chemistry, University of Portland, Portland, OR, 97203. All calculations were performed using Pentium computers using the current SHELX suite of programs.

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Relevant Equations used in this report:

$$R_{\text{int}} = \sum |F_o^2 - \langle F_o^2 \rangle| / \sum |F_o^2|$$

$$R_1 = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$$

$$wR2 = [\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \sum [w(F_o^2)^2]]^{1/2}$$

$$\text{where } w = q / [\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (a^*P)^2 + b^*P + d + e^*\sin(\Theta)]$$

$$\text{GOF} = S = [\sum [w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / (n-p)]^{1/2}$$

**Table S 1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**)

|                                      |                                                                                                              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Empirical formula                    | C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>52</sub> Ag <sub>4</sub> I <sub>4</sub> N <sub>8</sub>                                |
| Formula weight                       | 1583.98                                                                                                      |
| Temperature                          | 101(2) K                                                                                                     |
| Wavelength                           | 0.71073 Å                                                                                                    |
| Crystal system, space group          | Monoclinic, P 1 21/n 1                                                                                       |
| Unit cell dimensions                 | a = 14.4126(3) Å $\alpha$ = 90°<br>b = 19.1785(4) Å $\beta$ = 96.027(2) °<br>c = 17.1627(4) Å $\gamma$ = 90° |
| Volume                               | 4717.75(18) Å <sup>3</sup>                                                                                   |
| Z, Calculated density                | 4, 2.230 Mg/m <sup>3</sup>                                                                                   |
| Absorption coefficient               | 4.291 mm <sup>-1</sup>                                                                                       |
| F(000)                               | 2992                                                                                                         |
| Crystal size                         | 0.55 x 0.40 x 0.10 mm                                                                                        |
| Theta range for data collection      | 3.37 to 30.57°                                                                                               |
| Limiting indices                     | -20 ≤ h ≤ 17, -27 ≤ k ≤ 27, -24 ≤ l ≤ 24                                                                     |
| Reflections collected / unique       | 58341 / 14474 [R(int) = 0.0256]                                                                              |
| Completeness to $\Theta$             | 30.57    99.9 %                                                                                              |
| Absorption correction                | Analytical                                                                                                   |
| Max. and min. transmission           | 0.6736 and 0.2012                                                                                            |
| Refinement method                    | Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>                                                                  |
| Data / restraints / parameters       | 14474 / 0 / 505                                                                                              |
| Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>    | 1.004                                                                                                        |
| Final R indices [I > 2 $\Sigma$ (I)] | R1 = 0.0189, wR2 = 0.0453                                                                                    |
| R indices (all data)                 | R1 = 0.0248, wR2 = 0.0463                                                                                    |
| Largest diff. peak and hole          | 0.812 and -1.126 e.Å <sup>-3</sup>                                                                           |

**Table S 2** Atomic coordinates (x 10<sup>4</sup>) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup> x 10<sup>3</sup>)  
Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**)

U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized Uij tensor.

| Atom  | x        | y       | z       | U(eq) |
|-------|----------|---------|---------|-------|
| C(1)  | -773(1)  | 2557(1) | 4360(1) | 13(1) |
| C(2)  | -1042(1) | 3218(1) | 4080(1) | 14(1) |
| C(3)  | -1398(2) | 3708(1) | 4565(1) | 17(1) |
| C(4)  | -1488(2) | 3536(1) | 5340(1) | 18(1) |
| C(5)  | -1212(1) | 2887(1) | 5634(1) | 16(1) |
| C(6)  | -849(1)  | 2405(1) | 5143(1) | 14(1) |
| C(7)  | -232(1)  | 3234(1) | 2876(1) | 14(1) |
| C(8)  | -1362(2) | 3792(1) | 2095(1) | 19(1) |
| C(9)  | -1673(2) | 3732(1) | 2807(1) | 19(1) |
| C(10) | 237(2)   | 1398(1) | 5333(1) | 15(1) |
| C(11) | -1124(2) | 1330(1) | 5888(1) | 21(1) |
| C(12) | -655(2)  | 731(1)  | 6049(1) | 22(1) |
| C(13) | 111(2)   | 3488(1) | 1514(1) | 15(1) |
| C(14) | 616(2)   | 4173(1) | 1465(2) | 30(1) |
| C(15) | 1363(2)  | 4127(2) | 895(2)  | 34(1) |
| C(16) | 970(2)   | 4088(1) | 54(2)   | 32(1) |

|       |         |          |         |       |
|-------|---------|----------|---------|-------|
| C(17) | 877(2)  | 232(1)   | 5754(1) | 17(1) |
| C(18) | 1484(2) | 225(1)   | 6527(1) | 19(1) |
| C(19) | 2303(2) | -285(1)  | 6521(2) | 21(1) |
| C(20) | 2012(2) | -1040(1) | 6365(2) | 23(1) |
| C(21) | 5073(1) | 1761(1)  | 3222(1) | 16(1) |
| C(22) | 5555(2) | 2362(1)  | 3472(1) | 17(1) |
| C(23) | 6095(2) | 2714(1)  | 2973(2) | 24(1) |
| C(24) | 6152(2) | 2468(1)  | 2222(2) | 27(1) |
| C(25) | 5666(2) | 1875(1)  | 1960(1) | 22(1) |
| C(26) | 5121(2) | 1527(1)  | 2461(1) | 16(1) |
| C(27) | 3739(2) | 744(1)   | 2341(1) | 15(1) |
| C(28) | 4962(2) | 435(1)   | 1673(1) | 22(1) |
| C(29) | 4294(2) | -43(1)   | 1514(1) | 22(1) |
| C(30) | 4742(2) | 2708(1)  | 4615(1) | 16(1) |
| C(31) | 6034(2) | 2994(1)  | 5427(2) | 24(1) |
| C(32) | 6325(2) | 2788(1)  | 4740(2) | 24(1) |
| C(33) | 2671(2) | -237(1)  | 1899(1) | 21(1) |
| C(34) | 1941(2) | 14(1)    | 1261(1) | 22(1) |
| C(35) | 1102(2) | -478(1)  | 1139(1) | 23(1) |
| C(36) | 564(2)  | -571(1)  | 1840(2) | 26(1) |
| C(37) | 4473(2) | 3136(1)  | 5944(1) | 20(1) |
| C(38) | 4141(2) | 3884(1)  | 5852(1) | 21(1) |
| C(39) | 3490(2) | 4085(1)  | 6462(1) | 23(1) |
| C(40) | 3005(2) | 4777(1)  | 6258(2) | 33(1) |
| N(1)  | -491(1) | 3485(1)  | 2153(1) | 14(1) |
| N(2)  | -983(1) | 3384(1)  | 3277(1) | 14(1) |
| N(3)  | -573(1) | 1732(1)  | 5446(1) | 15(1) |
| N(4)  | 170(1)  | 784(1)   | 5709(1) | 16(1) |
| N(5)  | 3552(1) | 152(1)   | 1923(1) | 17(1) |
| N(6)  | 4622(1) | 919(1)   | 2180(1) | 16(1) |
| N(7)  | 5531(1) | 2613(1)  | 4251(1) | 17(1) |
| N(8)  | 5074(1) | 2939(1)  | 5335(1) | 18(1) |
| Ag(1) | 1069(1) | 2726(1)  | 3286(1) | 18(1) |
| Ag(2) | 1374(1) | 1754(1)  | 4701(1) | 20(1) |
| Ag(3) | 2782(1) | 1273(1)  | 3030(1) | 19(1) |
| Ag(4) | 3288(1) | 2512(1)  | 4181(1) | 20(1) |
| I(1)  | 808(1)  | 1210(1)  | 3043(1) | 15(1) |
| I(2)  | 1759(1) | 3234(1)  | 4847(1) | 16(1) |
| I(3)  | 2748(1) | 2768(1)  | 2552(1) | 16(1) |
| I(4)  | 3115(1) | 1060(1)  | 4753(1) | 16(1) |

**Table S 3.** Bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for  
Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**)

|              |          |             |            |
|--------------|----------|-------------|------------|
| BOND LENGTHS |          | C(8)-C(9)   | 1.350(3)   |
|              |          | C(8)-N(1)   | 1.381(3)   |
|              |          | C(9)-N(2)   | 1.384(3)   |
| C(1)-C(6)    | 1.391(3) | C(10)-N(4)  | 1.352(2)   |
| C(1)-C(2)    | 1.395(3) | C(10)-N(3)  | 1.363(3)   |
| C(2)-C(3)    | 1.390(3) | C(10)-Ag(2) | 2.1684(19) |
| C(2)-N(2)    | 1.426(3) | C(11)-C(12) | 1.347(3)   |
| C(3)-C(4)    | 1.389(3) | C(11)-N(3)  | 1.388(2)   |
| C(4)-C(5)    | 1.387(3) | C(12)-N(4)  | 1.382(3)   |
| C(5)-C(6)    | 1.388(3) | C(13)-N(1)  | 1.467(2)   |
| C(6)-N(3)    | 1.433(3) | C(13)-C(14) | 1.510(3)   |
| C(7)-N(1)    | 1.346(3) | C(14)-C(15) | 1.532(3)   |
| C(7)-N(2)    | 1.372(2) | C(15)-C(16) | 1.495(4)   |
| C(7)-Ag(1)   | 2.164(2) | C(17)-N(4)  | 1.465(3)   |

|                |            |                   |            |
|----------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| C(17)-C(18)    | 1.510(3)   | C(5)-C(6)-C(1)    | 121.30(18) |
| C(18)-C(19)    | 1.535(3)   | C(5)-C(6)-N(3)    | 119.16(18) |
| C(19)-C(20)    | 1.522(3)   | C(1)-C(6)-N(3)    | 119.51(17) |
| C(21)-C(22)    | 1.390(3)   | N(1)-C(7)-N(2)    | 103.31(17) |
| C(21)-C(26)    | 1.391(3)   | N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)   | 127.37(14) |
| C(22)-C(23)    | 1.391(3)   | N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)   | 129.32(15) |
| C(22)-N(7)     | 1.425(3)   | C(9)-C(8)-N(1)    | 106.46(19) |
| C(23)-C(24)    | 1.384(3)   | C(8)-C(9)-N(2)    | 106.35(18) |
| C(24)-C(25)    | 1.385(3)   | N(4)-C(10)-N(3)   | 103.65(16) |
| C(25)-C(26)    | 1.394(3)   | N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)  | 127.53(15) |
| C(26)-N(6)     | 1.427(3)   | N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)  | 128.82(14) |
| C(27)-N(5)     | 1.354(3)   | C(12)-C(11)-N(3)  | 106.37(19) |
| C(27)-N(6)     | 1.371(3)   | C(11)-C(12)-N(4)  | 106.68(18) |
| C(27)-Ag(3)    | 2.162(2)   | N(1)-C(13)-C(14)  | 111.86(17) |
| C(28)-C(29)    | 1.336(3)   | C(13)-C(14)-C(15) | 111.2(2)   |
| C(28)-N(6)     | 1.397(3)   | C(16)-C(15)-C(14) | 113.5(2)   |
| C(29)-N(5)     | 1.391(3)   | N(4)-C(17)-C(18)  | 112.84(17) |
| C(30)-N(8)     | 1.352(3)   | C(17)-C(18)-C(19) | 111.97(18) |
| C(30)-N(7)     | 1.366(3)   | C(20)-C(19)-C(18) | 114.20(19) |
| C(30)-Ag(4)    | 2.181(2)   | C(22)-C(21)-C(26) | 119.01(19) |
| C(31)-C(32)    | 1.350(3)   | C(21)-C(22)-C(23) | 120.5(2)   |
| C(31)-N(8)     | 1.380(3)   | C(21)-C(22)-N(7)  | 120.56(18) |
| C(32)-N(7)     | 1.389(3)   | C(23)-C(22)-N(7)  | 118.93(19) |
| C(33)-N(5)     | 1.470(3)   | C(24)-C(23)-C(22) | 120.0(2)   |
| C(33)-C(34)    | 1.515(3)   | C(23)-C(24)-C(25) | 120.3(2)   |
|                |            | C(24)-C(25)-C(26) | 119.5(2)   |
| C(34)-C(35)    | 1.532(3)   | C(21)-C(26)-C(25) | 120.7(2)   |
| C(35)-C(36)    | 1.508(3)   | C(21)-C(26)-N(6)  | 120.52(18) |
| C(37)-N(8)     | 1.476(3)   | C(25)-C(26)-N(6)  | 118.75(19) |
| C(37)-C(38)    | 1.516(3)   | N(5)-C(27)-N(6)   | 103.64(17) |
| C(38)-C(39)    | 1.526(3)   | N(5)-C(27)-Ag(3)  | 125.45(15) |
| C(39)-C(40)    | 1.523(3)   | N(6)-C(27)-Ag(3)  | 130.83(14) |
| Ag(1)-I(3)     | 2.8447(2)  | C(29)-C(28)-N(6)  | 106.87(19) |
| Ag(1)-I(2)     | 2.9259(2)  | C(28)-C(29)-N(5)  | 106.77(19) |
| Ag(1)-I(1)     | 2.9552(2)  | N(8)-C(30)-N(7)   | 103.26(19) |
| Ag(1)-Ag(2)    | 3.0566(2)  | N(8)-C(30)-Ag(4)  | 127.14(15) |
| Ag(2)-I(4)     | 2.8332(2)  | N(7)-C(30)-Ag(4)  | 129.57(16) |
| Ag(2)-I(2)     | 2.8976(2)  | C(32)-C(31)-N(8)  | 106.1(2)   |
| Ag(2)-I(1)     | 3.0604(2)  | C(31)-C(32)-N(7)  | 106.6(2)   |
| Ag(2)-Ag(4)    | 3.3215(2)  | N(5)-C(33)-C(34)  | 113.02(18) |
| Ag(3)-I(1)     | 2.8488(2)  | C(33)-C(34)-C(35) | 112.45(19) |
| Ag(3)-I(4)     | 2.9753(2)  | C(36)-C(35)-C(34) | 115.4(2)   |
| Ag(3)-I(3)     | 2.9814(2)  | N(8)-C(37)-C(38)  | 111.74(18) |
| Ag(3)-Ag(4)    | 3.1275(2)  | C(37)-C(38)-C(39) | 112.20(18) |
| Ag(4)-I(3)     | 2.8652(2)  | C(40)-C(39)-C(38) | 111.3(2)   |
| Ag(4)-I(2)     | 2.9343(2)  | C(7)-N(1)-C(8)    | 112.41(17) |
| Ag(4)-I(4)     | 2.9716(2)  | C(7)-N(1)-C(13)   | 124.18(17) |
|                |            | C(8)-N(1)-C(13)   | 123.21(18) |
|                |            | C(7)-N(2)-C(9)    | 111.46(17) |
|                |            | C(7)-N(2)-C(2)    | 124.59(17) |
|                |            | C(9)-N(2)-C(2)    | 123.94(17) |
|                |            | C(10)-N(3)-C(11)  | 111.41(17) |
|                |            | C(10)-N(3)-C(6)   | 125.50(16) |
|                |            | C(11)-N(3)-C(6)   | 123.08(17) |
|                |            | C(10)-N(4)-C(12)  | 111.89(17) |
|                |            | C(10)-N(4)-C(17)  | 124.78(17) |
|                |            | C(12)-N(4)-C(17)  | 123.32(17) |
| BOND ANGLES    |            |                   |            |
| C(6)-C(1)-C(2) | 118.47(18) |                   |            |
| C(3)-C(2)-C(1) | 120.96(19) |                   |            |
| C(3)-C(2)-N(2) | 119.38(18) |                   |            |
| C(1)-C(2)-N(2) | 119.63(17) |                   |            |
| C(4)-C(3)-C(2) | 119.33(19) |                   |            |
| C(5)-C(4)-C(3) | 120.68(19) |                   |            |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6) | 119.22(19) |                   |            |

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|-------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| C(27)-N(5)-C(29)  | 111.82(18) | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(4)  | 115.71(6)  |
| C(27)-N(5)-C(33)  | 124.31(18) | I(1)-Ag(3)-I(4)   | 92.497(6)  |
| C(29)-N(5)-C(33)  | 123.87(18) | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(3)  | 107.09(5)  |
| C(27)-N(6)-C(28)  | 110.90(18) | I(1)-Ag(3)-I(3)   | 93.184(6)  |
| C(27)-N(6)-C(26)  | 125.33(16) | I(4)-Ag(3)-I(3)   | 113.684(6) |
| C(28)-N(6)-C(26)  | 123.73(18) | C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4) | 125.61(6)  |
| C(30)-N(7)-C(32)  | 111.37(19) | I(1)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)  | 101.192(6) |
| C(30)-N(7)-C(22)  | 125.30(19) | I(4)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)  | 58.213(5)  |
| C(32)-N(7)-C(22)  | 123.33(18) | I(3)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)  | 55.879(5)  |
| C(30)-N(8)-C(31)  | 112.62(18) | C(30)-Ag(4)-I(3)  | 117.12(6)  |
| C(30)-N(8)-C(37)  | 123.59(19) | C(30)-Ag(4)-I(2)  | 121.30(5)  |
| C(31)-N(8)-C(37)  | 123.75(19) | I(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | 99.275(7)  |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(3)   | 126.30(5)  | C(30)-Ag(4)-I(4)  | 99.20(5)   |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(2)   | 110.34(5)  | I(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | 117.371(7) |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-I(2)   | 99.950(7)  | I(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | 102.764(6) |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1)   | 107.70(5)  | C(30)-Ag(4)-Ag(3) | 119.91(5)  |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-I(1)   | 93.828(6)  | I(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | 59.480(5)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-I(1)   | 118.866(7) | I(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | 118.018(7) |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 125.47(5)  | I(4)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | 58.329(5)  |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 108.112(7) | C(30)-Ag(4)-Ag(2) | 141.16(6)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 57.891(5)  | I(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | 100.903(7) |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 61.174(5)  | I(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | 54.764(5)  |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-I(4)  | 123.32(5)  | I(4)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | 53.161(5)  |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2)  | 114.39(5)  | Ag(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(2) | 72.063(6)  |
| I(4)-Ag(2)-I(2)   | 107.254(7) | Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(1)  | 81.227(5)  |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(1) | 122.43(6)  | Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(2)  | 79.871(6)  |
| I(4)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)  | 111.407(6) | Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(2)  | 61.047(5)  |
| I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)  | 58.792(5)  | Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(1)  | 63.318(5)  |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-I(1)  | 102.49(6)  | Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | 69.432(5)  |
| I(4)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | 91.037(6)  | Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | 71.522(6)  |
| I(2)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | 116.380(6) | Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(4)  | 73.709(6)  |
| Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(1)  | 57.779(5)  | Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | 80.839(5)  |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4) | 164.72(6)  | Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | 64.641(5)  |
| I(4)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | 57.079(5)  | Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(4)  | 69.760(5)  |
| I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | 55.804(5)  | Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(3)  | 81.594(6)  |
| Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4) | 64.797(5)  | Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(3)  | 63.458(5)  |
| I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | 92.699(6)  |                   |            |
| C(27)-Ag(3)-I(1)  | 132.79(6)  |                   |            |

**Table S 4.** Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**).

The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:

$$-2\pi^2 [h^2 a^2 U_{11} + \dots + 2hk a^* b^* U_{12}]$$

| Atom | U11   | U22   | U33   | U23   | U13   | U12   |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| C(1) | 12(1) | 13(1) | 14(1) | -1(1) | 3(1)  | -1(1) |
| C(2) | 14(1) | 16(1) | 13(1) | 2(1)  | 2(1)  | -1(1) |
| C(3) | 18(1) | 13(1) | 19(1) | 0(1)  | 2(1)  | 1(1)  |
| C(4) | 18(1) | 18(1) | 17(1) | -4(1) | 3(1)  | 3(1)  |
| C(5) | 15(1) | 19(1) | 13(1) | -1(1) | 2(1)  | -2(1) |
| C(6) | 12(1) | 15(1) | 15(1) | 2(1)  | 1(1)  | 1(1)  |
| C(7) | 15(1) | 12(1) | 14(1) | 1(1)  | 2(1)  | 1(1)  |
| C(8) | 16(1) | 23(1) | 17(1) | 5(1)  | -1(1) | 6(1)  |
| C(9) | 16(1) | 22(1) | 19(1) | 3(1)  | 2(1)  | 6(1)  |

|       |       |       |       |       |       |        |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| C(10) | 18(1) | 14(1) | 13(1) | 3(1)  | 1(1)  | -1(1)  |
| C(11) | 23(1) | 21(1) | 22(1) | 4(1)  | 11(1) | -2(1)  |
| C(12) | 28(1) | 20(1) | 20(1) | 7(1)  | 9(1)  | -2(1)  |
| C(13) | 18(1) | 15(1) | 14(1) | 1(1)  | 4(1)  | -2(1)  |
| C(14) | 43(2) | 25(1) | 23(1) | -4(1) | 8(1)  | -17(1) |
| C(15) | 24(1) | 42(2) | 35(2) | 17(1) | -2(1) | -11(1) |
| C(16) | 39(2) | 30(1) | 29(1) | 3(1)  | 13(1) | -6(1)  |
| C(17) | 22(1) | 14(1) | 15(1) | 2(1)  | 1(1)  | 1(1)   |
| C(18) | 21(1) | 17(1) | 18(1) | -1(1) | 0(1)  | 0(1)   |
| C(19) | 18(1) | 18(1) | 26(1) | 0(1)  | 0(1)  | 1(1)   |
| C(20) | 25(1) | 18(1) | 27(1) | 2(1)  | 4(1)  | 0(1)   |
| C(21) | 14(1) | 16(1) | 17(1) | 0(1)  | 4(1)  | 0(1)   |
| C(22) | 16(1) | 17(1) | 19(1) | -2(1) | 2(1)  | 0(1)   |
| C(23) | 22(1) | 26(1) | 25(1) | -2(1) | 7(1)  | -8(1)  |
| C(24) | 25(1) | 33(1) | 24(1) | 2(1)  | 9(1)  | -8(1)  |
| C(25) | 20(1) | 28(1) | 17(1) | -2(1) | 6(1)  | -2(1)  |
| C(26) | 14(1) | 18(1) | 16(1) | -1(1) | 2(1)  | 3(1)   |
| C(27) | 20(1) | 13(1) | 12(1) | 1(1)  | 1(1)  | 1(1)   |
| C(28) | 23(1) | 23(1) | 19(1) | -5(1) | 6(1)  | 6(1)   |
| C(29) | 29(1) | 20(1) | 18(1) | -5(1) | 4(1)  | 5(1)   |
| C(30) | 21(1) | 12(1) | 16(1) | -1(1) | 2(1)  | -1(1)  |
| C(31) | 23(1) | 22(1) | 25(1) | -6(1) | -3(1) | -3(1)  |
| C(32) | 19(1) | 25(1) | 27(1) | -5(1) | 0(1)  | -5(1)  |
| C(33) | 28(1) | 15(1) | 18(1) | 1(1)  | 1(1)  | -5(1)  |
| C(34) | 28(1) | 20(1) | 17(1) | 0(1)  | 0(1)  | -2(1)  |
| C(35) | 28(1) | 21(1) | 20(1) | -5(1) | -1(1) | 0(1)   |
| C(36) | 26(1) | 22(1) | 32(1) | -3(1) | 6(1)  | -1(1)  |
| C(37) | 28(1) | 17(1) | 15(1) | -3(1) | 0(1)  | 3(1)   |
| C(38) | 28(1) | 16(1) | 19(1) | -3(1) | 2(1)  | 1(1)   |
| C(39) | 29(1) | 24(1) | 15(1) | -4(1) | -2(1) | 9(1)   |
| C(40) | 40(2) | 29(1) | 29(1) | -6(1) | -2(1) | 14(1)  |
| N(1)  | 14(1) | 15(1) | 13(1) | 2(1)  | 2(1)  | 2(1)   |
| N(2)  | 15(1) | 14(1) | 13(1) | 2(1)  | 3(1)  | 3(1)   |
| N(3)  | 17(1) | 16(1) | 14(1) | 4(1)  | 5(1)  | 0(1)   |
| N(4)  | 21(1) | 13(1) | 14(1) | 2(1)  | 2(1)  | 0(1)   |
| N(5)  | 24(1) | 13(1) | 15(1) | 1(1)  | 2(1)  | 0(1)   |
| N(6)  | 17(1) | 17(1) | 13(1) | -3(1) | 3(1)  | 1(1)   |
| N(7)  | 17(1) | 16(1) | 17(1) | -3(1) | 2(1)  | -3(1)  |
| N(8)  | 22(1) | 14(1) | 16(1) | -2(1) | 0(1)  | -1(1)  |
| Ag(1) | 16(1) | 20(1) | 18(1) | 4(1)  | 4(1)  | 5(1)   |
| Ag(2) | 18(1) | 20(1) | 22(1) | 7(1)  | 6(1)  | 3(1)   |
| Ag(3) | 18(1) | 19(1) | 21(1) | -3(1) | 6(1)  | 0(1)   |
| Ag(4) | 19(1) | 21(1) | 19(1) | -3(1) | 0(1)  | 1(1)   |
| I(1)  | 15(1) | 14(1) | 16(1) | -1(1) | 1(1)  | -1(1)  |
| I(2)  | 16(1) | 17(1) | 16(1) | -2(1) | 3(1)  | -1(1)  |
| I(3)  | 17(1) | 16(1) | 15(1) | 2(1)  | 5(1)  | 2(1)   |
| I(4)  | 15(1) | 19(1) | 14(1) | 3(1)  | 1(1)  | 1(1)   |

**Table S 5.** Hydrogen coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**).

| Atom | x    | y    | z    | U(eq) |
|------|------|------|------|-------|
| H(1) | -544 | 2219 | 4024 | 16    |

|        |       |       |      |    |
|--------|-------|-------|------|----|
| H(3)   | -1578 | 4157  | 4368 | 20 |
| H(4)   | -1741 | 3867  | 5671 | 21 |
| H(5)   | -1271 | 2772  | 6165 | 19 |
| H(8)   | -1679 | 4005  | 1643 | 23 |
| H(9)   | -2251 | 3896  | 2956 | 23 |
| H(11)  | -1714 | 1454  | 6046 | 25 |
| H(12)  | -853  | 347   | 6339 | 27 |
| H(13A) | -274  | 3399  | 1012 | 18 |
| H(13B) | 573   | 3107  | 1599 | 18 |
| H(14A) | 913   | 4303  | 1991 | 36 |
| H(14B) | 162   | 4542  | 1288 | 36 |
| H(15A) | 1774  | 4540  | 968  | 41 |
| H(15B) | 1752  | 3708  | 1024 | 41 |
| H(16A) | 544   | 3689  | -20  | 39 |
| H(16B) | 1479  | 4030  | -277 | 39 |
| H(16C) | 629   | 4518  | -92  | 39 |
| H(17A) | 1277  | 297   | 5325 | 21 |
| H(17B) | 562   | -225  | 5676 | 21 |
| H(18A) | 1100  | 92    | 6949 | 22 |
| H(18B) | 1729  | 700   | 6642 | 22 |
| H(19A) | 2699  | -135  | 6114 | 25 |
| H(19B) | 2687  | -260  | 7033 | 25 |
| H(20A) | 1562  | -1177 | 6727 | 28 |
| H(20B) | 2562  | -1342 | 6444 | 28 |
| H(20C) | 1725  | -1086 | 5824 | 28 |
| H(21)  | 4716  | 1514  | 3567 | 19 |
| H(23)  | 6424  | 3124  | 3148 | 29 |
| H(24)  | 6526  | 2706  | 1884 | 32 |
| H(25)  | 5703  | 1708  | 1443 | 26 |
| H(28)  | 5555  | 443   | 1478 | 26 |
| H(29)  | 4321  | -439  | 1185 | 26 |
| H(31)  | 6413  | 3146  | 5881 | 29 |
| H(32)  | 6952  | 2768  | 4616 | 29 |
| H(33A) | 2421  | -192  | 2412 | 25 |
| H(33B) | 2797  | -737  | 1814 | 25 |
| H(34A) | 2228  | 56    | 764  | 26 |
| H(34B) | 1724  | 483   | 1401 | 26 |
| H(35A) | 670   | -299  | 697  | 28 |
| H(35B) | 1324  | -941  | 984  | 28 |
| H(36A) | 962   | -797  | 2263 | 32 |
| H(36B) | 14    | -862  | 1694 | 32 |
| H(36C) | 365   | -114  | 2017 | 32 |
| H(37A) | 4825  | 3076  | 6467 | 24 |
| H(37B) | 3925  | 2821  | 5913 | 24 |
| H(38A) | 3811  | 3948  | 5322 | 25 |
| H(38B) | 4689  | 4199  | 5903 | 25 |
| H(39A) | 3015  | 3716  | 6490 | 28 |
| H(39B) | 3853  | 4122  | 6983 | 28 |
| H(40A) | 3474  | 5143  | 6228 | 39 |
| H(40B) | 2602  | 4897  | 6664 | 39 |

**Table S 6.** Torsion angles [°] for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-butylimidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3a**).

|                     |         |
|---------------------|---------|
| C(6)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3) | -1.5(3) |
|---------------------|---------|



|                         |             |                        |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| C(6)-C(1)-C(2)-N(2)     | -179.23(19) | C(5)-C(6)-N(3)-C(11)   | 46.6(3)     |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)     | -0.1(3)     | C(1)-C(6)-N(3)-C(11)   | -131.5(2)   |
| N(2)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)     | 177.6(2)    | N(3)-C(10)-N(4)-C(12)  | 0.0(2)      |
| C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)     | 1.1(3)      | Ag(2)-C(10)-N(4)-C(12) | -179.91(16) |
| C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-C(6)     | -0.4(3)     | N(3)-C(10)-N(4)-C(17)  | 179.71(19)  |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(1)     | -1.3(3)     | Ag(2)-C(10)-N(4)-C(17) | -0.2(3)     |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-N(3)     | -179.37(19) | C(11)-C(12)-N(4)-C(10) | -0.3(3)     |
| C(2)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)     | 2.2(3)      | C(11)-C(12)-N(4)-C(17) | 179.9(2)    |
| C(2)-C(1)-C(6)-N(3)     | -179.69(18) | C(18)-C(17)-N(4)-C(10) | 100.8(2)    |
| N(1)-C(8)-C(9)-N(2)     | -0.4(2)     | C(18)-C(17)-N(4)-C(12) | -79.5(3)    |
| N(3)-C(11)-C(12)-N(4)   | 0.6(3)      | N(6)-C(27)-N(5)-C(29)  | 0.2(2)      |
| N(1)-C(13)-C(14)-C(15)  | 170.2(2)    | Ag(3)-C(27)-N(5)-C(29) | 177.32(15)  |
| C(13)-C(14)-C(15)-C(16) | 71.6(3)     | N(6)-C(27)-N(5)-C(33)  | -179.45(19) |
| N(4)-C(17)-C(18)-C(19)  | -171.95(16) | Ag(3)-C(27)-N(5)-C(33) | -2.4(3)     |
| C(17)-C(18)-C(19)-C(20) | -60.1(3)    | C(28)-C(29)-N(5)-C(27) | -0.2(3)     |
| C(26)-C(21)-C(22)-C(23) | -1.5(3)     | C(28)-C(29)-N(5)-C(33) | 179.5(2)    |
| C(26)-C(21)-C(22)-N(7)  | -179.23(19) | C(34)-C(33)-N(5)-C(27) | 88.5(3)     |
| C(21)-C(22)-C(23)-C(24) | 0.2(4)      | C(34)-C(33)-N(5)-C(29) | -91.1(2)    |
| N(7)-C(22)-C(23)-C(24)  | 178.0(2)    | N(5)-C(27)-N(6)-C(28)  | -0.2(2)     |
| C(22)-C(23)-C(24)-C(25) | 0.7(4)      | Ag(3)-C(27)-N(6)-C(28) | -177.06(16) |
| C(23)-C(24)-C(25)-C(26) | -0.3(4)     | N(5)-C(27)-N(6)-C(26)  | 177.30(19)  |
| C(22)-C(21)-C(26)-C(25) | 1.9(3)      | Ag(3)-C(27)-N(6)-C(26) | 0.4(3)      |
| C(22)-C(21)-C(26)-N(6)  | -178.82(19) | C(29)-C(28)-N(6)-C(27) | 0.1(3)      |
| C(24)-C(25)-C(26)-C(21) | -1.0(3)     | C(29)-C(28)-N(6)-C(26) | -177.4(2)   |
| C(24)-C(25)-C(26)-N(6)  | 179.7(2)    | C(21)-C(26)-N(6)-C(27) | 39.5(3)     |
| N(6)-C(28)-C(29)-N(5)   | 0.1(3)      | C(25)-C(26)-N(6)-C(27) | -141.2(2)   |
| N(8)-C(31)-C(32)-N(7)   | -0.1(3)     | C(21)-C(26)-N(6)-C(28) | -143.3(2)   |
| N(5)-C(33)-C(34)-C(35)  | 169.08(18)  | C(25)-C(26)-N(6)-C(28) | 36.0(3)     |
| C(33)-C(34)-C(35)-C(36) | 61.3(3)     | N(8)-C(30)-N(7)-C(32)  | -0.4(2)     |
| N(8)-C(37)-C(38)-C(39)  | 177.9(2)    | Ag(4)-C(30)-N(7)-C(32) | -178.64(16) |
| C(37)-C(38)-C(39)-C(40) | -167.9(2)   | N(8)-C(30)-N(7)-C(22)  | 179.12(18)  |
| N(2)-C(7)-N(1)-C(8)     | 0.9(2)      | Ag(4)-C(30)-N(7)-C(22) | 0.9(3)      |
| Ag(1)-C(7)-N(1)-C(8)    | -178.60(15) | C(31)-C(32)-N(7)-C(30) | 0.3(3)      |
| N(2)-C(7)-N(1)-C(13)    | 175.96(17)  | C(31)-C(32)-N(7)-C(22) | -179.22(19) |
| Ag(1)-C(7)-N(1)-C(13)   | -3.6(3)     | C(21)-C(22)-N(7)-C(30) | -49.6(3)    |
| C(9)-C(8)-N(1)-C(7)     | -0.3(3)     | C(23)-C(22)-N(7)-C(30) | 132.6(2)    |
| C(9)-C(8)-N(1)-C(13)    | -175.43(19) | C(21)-C(22)-N(7)-C(32) | 129.9(2)    |
| C(14)-C(13)-N(1)-C(7)   | -94.9(2)    | C(23)-C(22)-N(7)-C(32) | -47.9(3)    |
| C(14)-C(13)-N(1)-C(8)   | 79.6(3)     | N(7)-C(30)-N(8)-C(31)  | 0.4(2)      |
| N(1)-C(7)-N(2)-C(9)     | -1.2(2)     | Ag(4)-C(30)-N(8)-C(31) | 178.64(15)  |
| Ag(1)-C(7)-N(2)-C(9)    | 178.33(15)  | N(7)-C(30)-N(8)-C(37)  | 178.24(18)  |
| N(1)-C(7)-N(2)-C(2)     | 179.98(18)  | Ag(4)-C(30)-N(8)-C(37) | -3.5(3)     |
| Ag(1)-C(7)-N(2)-C(2)    | -0.5(3)     | C(32)-C(31)-N(8)-C(30) | -0.2(3)     |
| C(8)-C(9)-N(2)-C(7)     | 1.0(3)      | C(32)-C(31)-N(8)-C(37) | -178.05(19) |
| C(8)-C(9)-N(2)-C(2)     | 179.87(19)  | C(38)-C(37)-N(8)-C(30) | -85.0(2)    |
| C(3)-C(2)-N(2)-C(7)     | 136.9(2)    | C(38)-C(37)-N(8)-C(31) | 92.6(3)     |
| C(1)-C(2)-N(2)-C(7)     | -45.3(3)    | N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)-I(3)   | 17.4(2)     |
| C(3)-C(2)-N(2)-C(9)     | -41.7(3)    | N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)-I(3)   | -162.04(15) |
| C(1)-C(2)-N(2)-C(9)     | 136.0(2)    | N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)-I(2)   | 137.44(16)  |
| N(4)-C(10)-N(3)-C(11)   | 0.4(2)      | N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)-I(2)   | -41.99(19)  |
| Ag(2)-C(10)-N(3)-C(11)  | -179.74(16) | N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1)   | -91.36(17)  |
| N(4)-C(10)-N(3)-C(6)    | -178.53(19) | N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1)   | 89.21(18)   |
| Ag(2)-C(10)-N(3)-C(6)   | 1.4(3)      | N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | -158.16(14) |
| C(12)-C(11)-N(3)-C(10)  | -0.6(3)     | N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 22.4(2)     |
| C(12)-C(11)-N(3)-C(6)   | 178.3(2)    | N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)-I(4)  | -10.4(2)    |
| C(5)-C(6)-N(3)-C(10)    | -134.6(2)   | N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)-I(4)  | 169.70(16)  |
| C(1)-C(6)-N(3)-C(10)    | 47.3(3)     | N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2)  | -143.90(17) |

|                         |             |                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2)   | 36.2(2)     | C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(2) | -157.86(7)  |
| N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)  | 148.81(16)  | I(1)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | 28.701(6)   |
| N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)  | -31.1(2)    | I(4)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | -57.264(5)  |
| N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | 89.22(19)   | I(3)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | 114.936(6)  |
| N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | -90.64(19)  | C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-C(30) | 44.2(2)     |
| N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | -96.9(2)    | I(4)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-C(30)  | -52.26(8)   |
| N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | 83.2(3)     | I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-C(30)  | 97.87(8)    |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-C(10)  | 7.54(9)     | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-C(30) | 166.00(8)   |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-C(10)  | -168.68(6)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-C(30)  | -141.75(8)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-C(10)  | 100.79(6)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)  | -147.4(2)   |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-C(10)  | -84.41(6)   | I(4)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | 116.149(7)  |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)   | 169.00(7)   | I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | -93.721(7)  |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)   | -7.220(10)  | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)  | -25.596(6)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)   | -97.758(8)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | 26.661(6)   |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)   | 77.050(7)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(2)  | -53.6(2)    |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)   | -93.25(7)   | I(4)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | -150.130(8) |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)   | 90.537(7)   | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(2)  | 68.126(6)   |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)   | 174.808(6)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | 120.382(7)  |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | 91.95(7)    | C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)  | 96.5(2)     |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | -84.271(7)  | I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | 150.130(8)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | -174.808(6) | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)  | -141.745(7) |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | -157.07(7)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | -89.488(6)  |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | 26.714(6)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(3) | 159.9(2)    |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | -63.823(5)  | I(4)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | 63.446(6)   |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)  | 110.985(6)  | I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | -146.424(7) |
| N(5)-C(27)-Ag(3)-I(1)   | -18.0(2)    | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(3) | -78.298(6)  |
| N(6)-C(27)-Ag(3)-I(1)   | 158.26(16)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | -26.042(5)  |
| N(5)-C(27)-Ag(3)-I(4)   | 102.76(18)  | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(1)  | -141.01(7)  |
| N(6)-C(27)-Ag(3)-I(4)   | -81.0(2)    | I(4)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(1)   | 89.790(6)   |
| N(5)-C(27)-Ag(3)-I(3)   | -129.33(17) | I(3)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(1)   | -24.109(6)  |
| N(6)-C(27)-Ag(3)-I(3)   | 46.9(2)     | Ag(4)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(1)  | 31.718(6)   |
| N(5)-C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)  | 170.78(15)  | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(2)  | 157.02(7)   |
| N(6)-C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)  | -13.0(2)    | I(4)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(2)   | 27.824(5)   |
| N(8)-C(30)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | 146.89(15)  | I(3)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(2)   | -86.074(6)  |
| N(7)-C(30)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | -35.3(2)    | Ag(4)-Ag(3)-I(1)-Ag(2)  | -30.247(6)  |
| N(8)-C(30)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | 25.3(2)     | C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(3)   | 155.47(6)   |
| N(7)-C(30)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | -156.84(16) | I(3)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(3)   | 25.366(6)   |
| N(8)-C(30)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | -85.80(17)  | I(2)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(3)   | -78.203(8)  |
| N(7)-C(30)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | 92.03(18)   | Ag(2)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(3)  | -83.224(6)  |
| N(8)-C(30)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | -144.43(15) | C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(2)   | -121.31(6)  |
| N(7)-C(30)-Ag(4)-Ag(3)  | 33.4(2)     | I(3)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(2)   | 108.591(7)  |
| N(8)-C(30)-Ag(4)- (2)   | -45.9(2)    | I(2)-Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(2)   | 5.021(6)    |
| N(7)-C(30)-Ag(4)-Ag(2)  | 131.91(16)  | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(3)  | -153.85(5)  |
| C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-C(30) | -18.54(9)   | I(4)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(3)   | -29.327(6)  |
| I(1)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-C(30)  | 168.02(6)   | I(2)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(3)   | 80.557(7)   |
| I(4)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-C(30)  | 82.05(6)    | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(3)  | 85.513(6)   |
| I(3)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-C(30)  | -105.75(6)  | Ag(4)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(3)  | 27.763(6)   |
| C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(3)  | 87.21(7)    | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(1)  | 120.64(5)   |
| I(1)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | -86.235(7)  | I(4)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(1)   | -114.840(6) |
| I(4)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(3)   | -172.200(7) | I(2)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(1)   | -4.956(6)   |
| C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)  | 171.37(7)   | Ag(4)-Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(1)  | -57.750(5)  |
| I(1)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | -2.075(9)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(1)  | -114.44(6)  |
| I(4)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | -88.040(8)  | I(4)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(1)   | 104.992(7)  |
| I(3)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)   | 84.160(8)   | I(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(1)   | 4.902(6)    |
| C(27)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)  | -100.59(7)  | Ag(4)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(1)  | 79.031(6)   |
| I(1)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | 85.965(6)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | 166.53(6)   |
| I(3)-Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)   | 172.200(7)  | I(4)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(4)   | 25.961(7)   |

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|------------------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(4) | -79.031(6)  | Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(3) | -61.469(6)  |
| I(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | -74.129(7)  | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(1) | 161.93(6)   |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(2)  | 119.87(5)   | I(1)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(1)  | 25.138(6)   |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(2)  | -105.220(6) | I(4)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(1)  | -68.994(7)  |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(2)  | -5.194(6)   | Ag(4)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(1) | -76.231(6)  |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | -164.41(5)  | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(4) | -121.84(6)  |
| I(3)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | -29.498(6)  | I(1)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(4)  | 101.369(6)  |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(4)  | 70.529(7)   | I(4)-Ag(3)-I(3)-Ag(4)  | 7.237(6)    |
| Ag(2)-Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(4) | 75.722(6)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(4) | -161.74(7)  |
| C(30)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(2) | -133.36(6)  | I(2)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(4)  | -25.553(6)  |
| I(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(2)  | 96.850(7)   | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(4) | 36.994(7)   |
| I(4)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(2)  | -24.123(6)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(4)  | 92.544(6)   |
| Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(2) | 36.585(8)   | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(3) | 133.53(7)   |
| C(30)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(1) | 158.99(6)   | I(2)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(3)  | -90.279(7)  |
| I(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(1)  | 29.202(6)   | Ag(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(3) | -27.731(7)  |
| I(4)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(1)  | -91.771(7)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(3)  | 27.818(5)   |
| Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(1) | -31.063(7)  | Ag(4)-Ag(2)-I(4)-Ag(3) | -64.726(5)  |
| Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(2)-Ag(1) | -67.648(6)  | C(30)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(2) | 149.84(5)   |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(4)  | 154.40(7)   | I(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(2)  | -83.009(8)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(4)  | 29.886(6)   | I(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(2)  | 24.652(6)   |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(4)  | -90.310(6)  | Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(2) | -90.574(7)  |
| Ag(2)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(4) | -29.423(7)  | C(30)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(3) | -119.58(5)  |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | -139.48(7)  | I(3)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(3)  | 7.565(6)    |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | 96.005(6)   | I(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(3)  | 115.225(7)  |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | -24.191(6)  | Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(4)-Ag(3) | 90.574(7)   |
| Ag(2)-Ag(1)-I(3)-Ag(3) | 36.696(7)   | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(2) | -170.98(6)  |
| C(30)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(1) | -162.19(6)  | I(1)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(2)  | -30.114(6)  |
| I(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(1)  | -29.726(6)  | I(3)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(2)  | 64.466(7)   |
| I(4)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(1)  | 79.945(7)   | Ag(4)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(2) | 71.513(6)   |
| Ag(3)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(1) | 87.419(6)   | C(27)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(4) | 117.51(6)   |
| Ag(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(1) | 25.949(6)   | I(1)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(4)  | -101.627(6) |
| C(30)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(3) | 110.39(6)   | I(3)-Ag(3)-I(4)-Ag(4)  | -7.047(6)   |
| I(2)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | -117.145(7) |                        |             |
| I(4)-Ag(4)-I(3)-Ag(3)  | -7.473(6)   |                        |             |

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**Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (3b)**

Table S7. Crystal data and structure refinement for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**)

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| Identification code                     | Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) ( <b>3b</b> ) |                     |  |
| Empirical formula                       | C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>48</sub> Ag <sub>4</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> I <sub>4</sub> N <sub>8</sub>                                 |                     |  |
| Formula weight                          | 1745.76                                                                                                                       |                     |  |
| Temperature                             | 100(2) K                                                                                                                      |                     |  |
| Wavelength                              | 0.71073 Å                                                                                                                     |                     |  |
| Crystal system                          | Orthorhombic                                                                                                                  |                     |  |
| Space group                             | P b c n                                                                                                                       |                     |  |
| Unit cell dimensions                    | $a = 20.6181(12)$ Å                                                                                                           | $\alpha = 90^\circ$ |  |
|                                         | $b = 12.8667(7)$ Å                                                                                                            | $\beta = 90^\circ$  |  |
|                                         | $c = 19.8917(11)$ Å                                                                                                           | $\gamma = 90^\circ$ |  |
| Volume                                  | 5277.0(5) Å <sup>3</sup>                                                                                                      |                     |  |
| Z                                       | 4                                                                                                                             |                     |  |
| Density (calculated)                    | 2.197 g.cm <sup>-3</sup>                                                                                                      |                     |  |
| Absorption coefficient ( $\mu$ )        | 4.043 mm <sup>-1</sup>                                                                                                        |                     |  |
| F(000)                                  | 3296                                                                                                                          |                     |  |
| Crystal color, habit                    | colorless, block                                                                                                              |                     |  |
| Crystal size                            | 0.200 × 0.200 × 0.200 mm <sup>3</sup>                                                                                         |                     |  |
| $\theta$ range for data collection      | 1.866 to 26.433°                                                                                                              |                     |  |
| Index ranges                            | -20 ≤ h ≤ 24, -16 ≤ k ≤ 10, -24 ≤ l ≤ 15                                                                                      |                     |  |
| Reflections collected                   | 31536                                                                                                                         |                     |  |
| Independent reflections                 | 5297 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0668$ ]                                                                                            |                     |  |
| Completeness to $\theta = 25.242^\circ$ | 98.2 %                                                                                                                        |                     |  |
| Absorption correction                   | Semi-empirical from equivalents                                                                                               |                     |  |
| Max. and min. transmission              | 0.7454 and 0.5248                                                                                                             |                     |  |
| Refinement method                       | Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>                                                                                   |                     |  |
| Data / restraints / parameters          | 5297 / 0 / 280                                                                                                                |                     |  |
| Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>       | 1.042                                                                                                                         |                     |  |
| Final R indices [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ]    | $R_1 = 0.0376$ , $wR_2 = 0.0753$                                                                                              |                     |  |
| R indices (all data)                    | $R_1 = 0.0554$ , $wR_2 = 0.0835$                                                                                              |                     |  |
| Extinction coefficient                  | n/a                                                                                                                           |                     |  |
| Largest diff. peak and hole             | 0.738 and -1.057 e <sup>-</sup> .Å <sup>-3</sup>                                                                              |                     |  |

**Table S 8.** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>) for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**). U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U<sub>ij</sub> tensor.

|       | x           | y          | z           | U(eq)    |
|-------|-------------|------------|-------------|----------|
| Ag(1) | 0.44702(2)  | 0.84640(3) | 0.18789(2)  | 0.030(1) |
| I(1)  | 0.58418(2)  | 0.88582(2) | 0.17498(2)  | 0.023(1) |
| N(1)  | 0.40111(19) | 0.8988(3)  | 0.03585(19) | 0.022(1) |

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|--------|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| C(1)   | 0.4566(2)   | 0.8513(4)   | 0.0051(2)   | 0.021(1) |
| C(1S)  | 0.2332(3)   | 0.8019(4)   | -0.1522(2)  | 0.046(2) |
| Cl(1)  | 0.26570(7)  | 0.92756(11) | -0.15947(7) | 0.045(1) |
| Ag(2)  | 0.54241(2)  | 0.66738(3)  | 0.17890(2)  | 0.029(1) |
| I(2)   | 0.40166(2)  | 0.61048(2)  | 0.19424(2)  | 0.023(1) |
| N(2)   | 0.33242(19) | 0.9563(3)   | 0.10809(18) | 0.022(1) |
| C(2)   | 0.4843(2)   | 0.8995(4)   | -0.0506(2)  | 0.026(1) |
| Cl(2)  | 0.23592(8)  | 0.75589(13) | -0.06960(7) | 0.065(1) |
| N(3)   | 0.55954(18) | 0.6164(3)   | 0.01977(19) | 0.022(1) |
| C(3)   | 0.5371(3)   | 0.8538(4)   | -0.0812(2)  | 0.030(1) |
| N(4)   | 0.59864(18) | 0.4950(3)   | 0.08079(19) | 0.023(1) |
| C(4)   | 0.5622(2)   | 0.7620(4)   | -0.0583(2)  | 0.027(1) |
| C(5)   | 0.5336(2)   | 0.7139(3)   | -0.0029(2)  | 0.021(1) |
| C(6)   | 0.4800(2)   | 0.7574(3)   | 0.0289(2)   | 0.019(1) |
| C(7)   | 0.3531(2)   | 0.9507(4)   | 0.0004(2)   | 0.028(1) |
| C(8)   | 0.3100(2)   | 0.9845(4)   | 0.0453(2)   | 0.029(1) |
| C(9)   | 0.3883(2)   | 0.9022(3)   | 0.1039(2)   | 0.020(1) |
| C(10)  | 0.5691(2)   | 0.5886(4)   | 0.0857(2)   | 0.021(1) |
| C(11)  | 0.5814(2)   | 0.5394(4)   | -0.0235(2)  | 0.027(1) |
| C(12)  | 0.6059(2)   | 0.4642(4)   | 0.0140(3)   | 0.032(1) |
| C(13)  | 0.6186(2)   | 0.4332(4)   | 0.1392(2)   | 0.029(1) |
| C(14)  | 0.5656(2)   | 0.3629(4)   | 0.1652(3)   | 0.033(1) |
| C(15)  | 0.5886(2)   | 0.3060(4)   | 0.2262(3)   | 0.034(1) |
| C(16)  | 0.5955(3)   | 0.2047(4)   | 0.2308(3)   | 0.043(2) |
| C(17)  | 0.2977(2)   | 0.9728(4)   | 0.1711(2)   | 0.025(1) |
| C(18)  | 0.2647(2)   | 0.8766(4)   | 0.1959(2)   | 0.030(1) |
| C(19)  | 0.2214(2)   | 0.8278(4)   | 0.1432(3)   | 0.035(1) |
| C(20)  | 0.2340(2)   | 0.7425(4)   | 0.1101(3)   | 0.037(1) |
| H(1SA) | 0.1876      | 0.8025      | -0.1678     | 0.055    |
| H(1SB) | 0.2578      | 0.7540      | -0.1817     | 0.055    |
| H(2A)  | 0.4671      | 0.9629      | -0.0673     | 0.031    |
| H(3A)  | 0.5563      | 0.8868      | -0.1190     | 0.036    |
| H(4A)  | 0.5987      | 0.7315      | -0.0798     | 0.033    |
| H(6A)  | 0.4600      | 0.7237      | 0.0660      | 0.023    |
| H(7A)  | 0.3513      | 0.9602      | -0.0469     | 0.033    |
| H(8A)  | 0.2711      | 1.0213      | 0.0359      | 0.035    |
| H(11A) | 0.5792      | 0.5405      | -0.0712     | 0.032    |
| H(12A) | 0.6248      | 0.4013      | -0.0015     | 0.039    |
| H(13A) | 0.6323      | 0.4807      | 0.1757      | 0.034    |

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|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| H(13B) | 0.6566 | 0.3902 | 0.1267 | 0.034 |
| H(14A) | 0.5269 | 0.4048 | 0.1766 | 0.039 |
| H(14B) | 0.5532 | 0.3124 | 0.1299 | 0.039 |
| H(15A) | 0.5991 | 0.3463 | 0.2648 | 0.041 |
| H(16A) | 0.5855 | 0.1616 | 0.1934 | 0.052 |
| H(16B) | 0.6104 | 0.1745 | 0.2716 | 0.052 |
| H(17A) | 0.2649 | 1.0280 | 0.1645 | 0.031 |
| H(17B) | 0.3287 | 0.9972 | 0.2057 | 0.031 |
| H(18A) | 0.2383 | 0.8941 | 0.2359 | 0.036 |
| H(18B) | 0.2980 | 0.8255 | 0.2098 | 0.036 |
| H(19A) | 0.1817 | 0.8621 | 0.1334 | 0.042 |
| H(20A) | 0.2731 | 0.7057 | 0.1184 | 0.044 |
| H(20B) | 0.2039 | 0.7172 | 0.0778 | 0.044 |

**Table S 9.** Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ ) for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**). The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:

$$-2\pi^2[h^2a^2U_{11} + \dots + 2hka^*b^*U_{12}]$$

|       | $U_{11}$   | $U_{22}$   | $U_{33}$   | $U_{23}$    | $U_{13}$    | $U_{12}$    |
|-------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Ag(1) | 0.0280(3)  | 0.0380(3)  | 0.0234(2)  | -0.0002(2)  | -0.0021(2)  | 0.0082(2)   |
| I(1)  | 0.0239(2)  | 0.0228(2)  | 0.0229(2)  | 0.0044(1)   | -0.0026(1)  | -0.0026(2)  |
| N(1)  | 0.020(3)   | 0.022(2)   | 0.022(2)   | 0.0019(18)  | -0.0051(18) | -0.0002(19) |
| C(1)  | 0.017(3)   | 0.025(3)   | 0.020(2)   | -0.003(2)   | -0.003(2)   | 0.001(2)    |
| C(1S) | 0.050(4)   | 0.052(4)   | 0.035(3)   | 0.001(3)    | -0.010(3)   | -0.011(3)   |
| Cl(1) | 0.0420(10) | 0.0465(9)  | 0.0461(8)  | 0.0079(7)   | -0.0085(7)  | -0.0024(8)  |
| Ag(2) | 0.0347(3)  | 0.0269(2)  | 0.0257(2)  | -0.0025(2)  | -0.0048(2)  | 0.0071(2)   |
| I(2)  | 0.0254(2)  | 0.0215(2)  | 0.0218(2)  | -0.0008(1)  | -0.0014(1)  | -0.0017(2)  |
| N(2)  | 0.020(2)   | 0.017(2)   | 0.029(2)   | -0.0002(18) | 0.0013(18)  | 0.0030(19)  |
| C(2)  | 0.035(4)   | 0.020(3)   | 0.023(3)   | 0.005(2)    | -0.002(2)   | -0.003(2)   |
| Cl(2) | 0.0765(12) | 0.0676(12) | 0.0510(10) | 0.0183(9)   | -0.0089(9)  | -0.0221(10) |
| N(3)  | 0.019(3)   | 0.024(2)   | 0.025(2)   | -0.0014(19) | 0.0007(18)  | -0.0027(19) |
| C(3)  | 0.042(4)   | 0.027(3)   | 0.020(3)   | 0.003(2)    | 0.008(2)    | -0.014(3)   |
| N(4)  | 0.021(3)   | 0.014(2)   | 0.033(2)   | -0.0032(19) | -0.0010(18) | 0.0006(18)  |
| C(4)  | 0.032(3)   | 0.026(3)   | 0.025(3)   | -0.007(2)   | 0.008(2)    | -0.007(3)   |
| C(5)  | 0.020(3)   | 0.019(3)   | 0.025(3)   | -0.005(2)   | -0.009(2)   | 0.000(2)    |
| C(6)  | 0.018(3)   | 0.022(3)   | 0.017(2)   | -0.003(2)   | -0.002(2)   | -0.003(2)   |
| C(7)  | 0.028(3)   | 0.028(3)   | 0.027(3)   | 0.008(2)    | -0.011(2)   | 0.000(2)    |
| C(8)  | 0.029(4)   | 0.023(3)   | 0.035(3)   | 0.003(2)    | -0.010(2)   | 0.006(2)    |

|       |          |          |          |           |           |           |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| C(9)  | 0.022(3) | 0.017(3) | 0.022(3) | -0.003(2) | 0.001(2)  | -0.007(2) |
| C(10) | 0.013(3) | 0.022(3) | 0.028(3) | 0.001(2)  | 0.001(2)  | -0.003(2) |
| C(11) | 0.027(3) | 0.028(3) | 0.025(3) | -0.010(2) | 0.007(2)  | -0.006(2) |
| C(12) | 0.030(3) | 0.022(3) | 0.044(3) | -0.013(3) | 0.002(3)  | -0.007(3) |
| C(13) | 0.018(3) | 0.022(3) | 0.046(3) | -0.001(3) | -0.005(2) | 0.004(2)  |
| C(14) | 0.027(4) | 0.032(3) | 0.040(3) | 0.001(3)  | -0.008(3) | 0.002(3)  |
| C(15) | 0.033(3) | 0.029(3) | 0.040(3) | 0.000(3)  | -0.004(3) | 0.005(3)  |
| C(16) | 0.047(4) | 0.040(4) | 0.043(3) | 0.010(3)  | -0.003(3) | 0.003(3)  |
| C(17) | 0.022(3) | 0.025(3) | 0.029(3) | -0.007(2) | -0.001(2) | 0.000(2)  |
| C(18) | 0.019(3) | 0.040(3) | 0.031(3) | -0.004(2) | 0.002(2)  | -0.003(3) |
| C(19) | 0.016(3) | 0.041(4) | 0.049(3) | 0.002(3)  | -0.001(3) | -0.004(3) |
| C(20) | 0.027(3) | 0.032(3) | 0.051(3) | -0.010(3) | -0.006(3) | -0.002(3) |

**Table S 10.** Bond lengths [Å] for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3"-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**)

| atom-atom    | distance  | atom-atom    | distance  |
|--------------|-----------|--------------|-----------|
| Ag(1)-C(9)   | 2.185(5)  | Ag(1)-I(1i)  | 2.8482(5) |
| Ag(1)-I(1)   | 2.8846(5) | Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 3.0341(6) |
| Ag(1)-I(2)   | 3.1789(5) | Ag(1)-Ag(1i) | 3.2985(8) |
| I(1)-Ag(1i)  | 2.8481(5) | I(1)-Ag(2)   | 2.9406(5) |
| N(1)-C(9)    | 1.379(5)  | N(1)-C(7)    | 1.386(5)  |
| N(1)-C(1)    | 1.435(6)  | C(1)-C(6)    | 1.385(6)  |
| C(1)-C(2)    | 1.391(6)  | C(1S)-Cl(2)  | 1.748(5)  |
| C(1S)-Cl(1)  | 1.757(5)  | C(1S)-H(1SA) | 0.9900    |
| C(1S)-H(1SB) | 0.9900    | Ag(2)-C(10)  | 2.184(5)  |
| Ag(2)-I(2i)  | 2.8696(5) | Ag(2)-I(2)   | 3.0084(5) |
| Ag(2)-Ag(2i) | 3.3254(8) | I(2)-Ag(2i)  | 2.8695(5) |
| N(2)-C(9)    | 1.349(5)  | N(2)-C(8)    | 1.381(5)  |
| N(2)-C(17)   | 1.459(5)  | C(2)-C(3)    | 1.377(6)  |
| C(2)-H(2A)   | 0.9500    | N(3)-C(10)   | 1.373(5)  |
| N(3)-C(11)   | 1.388(5)  | N(3)-C(5)    | 1.437(5)  |
| C(3)-C(4)    | 1.368(6)  | C(3)-H(3A)   | 0.9500    |
| N(4)-C(10)   | 1.353(5)  | N(4)-C(12)   | 1.394(6)  |
| N(4)-C(13)   | 1.467(5)  | C(4)-C(5)    | 1.395(6)  |
| C(4)-H(4A)   | 0.9500    | C(5)-C(6)    | 1.390(6)  |
| C(6)-H(6A)   | 0.9500    | C(7)-C(8)    | 1.333(6)  |
| C(7)-H(7A)   | 0.9500    | C(8)-H(8A)   | 0.9500    |
| C(11)-C(12)  | 1.322(6)  | C(11)-H(11A) | 0.9500    |
| C(12)-H(12A) | 0.9500    | C(13)-C(14)  | 1.510(6)  |
| C(13)-H(13A) | 0.9900    | C(13)-H(13B) | 0.9900    |
| C(14)-C(15)  | 1.494(6)  | C(14)-H(14A) | 0.9900    |
| C(14)-H(14B) | 0.9900    | C(15)-C(16)  | 1.315(7)  |
| C(15)-H(15A) | 0.9500    | C(16)-H(16A) | 0.9500    |
| C(16)-H(16B) | 0.9500    | C(17)-C(18)  | 1.496(6)  |
| C(17)-H(17A) | 0.9900    | C(17)-H(17B) | 0.9900    |
| C(18)-C(19)  | 1.513(6)  | C(18)-H(18A) | 0.9900    |



|              |        |              |          |
|--------------|--------|--------------|----------|
| C(18)-H(18B) | 0.9900 | C(19)-C(20)  | 1.305(6) |
| C(19)-H(19A) | 0.9500 | C(20)-H(20A) | 0.9500   |
| C(20)-H(20B) | 0.9500 |              |          |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

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**Table S 11.** Bond angles [°] for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**).

| atom-atom-atom     | angle       | atom-atom-atom      | angle       |
|--------------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|
| C(9)-Ag(1)-I(1i)   | 123.29(12)  | C(9)-Ag(1)-I(1)     | 114.65(12)  |
| I(1i)-Ag(1)-I(1)   | 105.983(15) | C(9)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)    | 124.31(12)  |
| I(1i)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)  | 109.756(15) | I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)    | 59.518(13)  |
| C(9)-Ag(1)-I(2)    | 100.46(11)  | I(1i)-Ag(1)-I(2)    | 93.758(14)  |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-I(2)    | 117.378(15) | Ag(2)-Ag(1)-I(2)    | 57.865(13)  |
| C(9)-Ag(1)-Ag(1i)  | 160.03(11)  | I(1i)-Ag(1)-Ag(1i)  | 55.396(12)  |
| I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(1i)  | 54.358(13)  | Ag(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(1i)  | 67.341(13)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(1i)  | 99.503(9)   | Ag(1i)-I(1)-Ag(1)   | 70.248(15)  |
| Ag(1i)-I(1)-Ag(2)  | 74.825(13)  | Ag(1)-I(1)-Ag(2)    | 62.769(13)  |
| C(9)-N(1)-C(7)     | 110.3(4)    | C(9)-N(1)-C(1)      | 125.8(4)    |
| C(7)-N(1)-C(1)     | 123.9(4)    | C(6)-C(1)-C(2)      | 121.2(4)    |
| C(6)-C(1)-N(1)     | 120.2(4)    | C(2)-C(1)-N(1)      | 118.5(4)    |
| Cl(2)-C(1S)-Cl(1)  | 112.1(3)    | Cl(2)-C(1S)-H(1SA)  | 109.2       |
| Cl(1)-C(1S)-H(1SA) | 109.2       | Cl(2)-C(1S)-H(1SB)  | 109.2       |
| Cl(1)-C(1S)-H(1SB) | 109.2       | H(1SA)-C(1S)-H(1SB) | 107.9       |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2i)  | 121.80(12)  | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(1)    | 110.32(12)  |
| I(2i)-Ag(2)-I(1)   | 98.597(14)  | C(10)-Ag(2)-I(2)    | 102.49(12)  |
| I(2i)-Ag(2)-I(2)   | 103.675(15) | I(1)-Ag(2)-I(2)     | 121.188(15) |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)  | 124.46(12)  | I(2i)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)   | 113.730(15) |
| I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)   | 57.712(13)  | I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)    | 63.482(14)  |
| C(10)-Ag(2)-Ag(2i) | 148.74(12)  | I(2i)-Ag(2)-Ag(2i)  | 57.542(12)  |
| I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(2i)  | 100.171(9)  | I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(2i)   | 53.596(13)  |
| Ag(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(2i) | 66.986(13)  | Ag(2i)-I(2)-Ag(2)   | 68.862(15)  |
| Ag(2i)-I(2)-Ag(1)  | 70.916(12)  | Ag(2)-I(2)-Ag(1)    | 58.653(12)  |
| C(9)-N(2)-C(8)     | 111.5(4)    | C(9)-N(2)-C(17)     | 123.2(4)    |
| C(8)-N(2)-C(17)    | 125.1(4)    | C(3)-C(2)-C(1)      | 119.1(4)    |
| C(3)-C(2)-H(2A)    | 120.5       | C(1)-C(2)-H(2A)     | 120.5       |
| C(10)-N(3)-C(11)   | 111.1(4)    | C(10)-N(3)-C(5)     | 125.5(4)    |
| C(11)-N(3)-C(5)    | 123.4(4)    | C(4)-C(3)-C(2)      | 121.3(4)    |
| C(4)-C(3)-H(3A)    | 119.3       | C(2)-C(3)-H(3A)     | 119.3       |
| C(10)-N(4)-C(12)   | 111.7(4)    | C(10)-N(4)-C(13)    | 123.5(4)    |
| C(12)-N(4)-C(13)   | 124.8(4)    | C(3)-C(4)-C(5)      | 119.1(5)    |
| C(3)-C(4)-H(4A)    | 120.5       | C(5)-C(4)-H(4A)     | 120.5       |
| C(6)-C(5)-C(4)     | 121.1(4)    | C(6)-C(5)-N(3)      | 120.3(4)    |
| C(4)-C(5)-N(3)     | 118.5(4)    | C(1)-C(6)-C(5)      | 118.2(4)    |
| C(1)-C(6)-H(6A)    | 120.9       | C(5)-C(6)-H(6A)     | 120.9       |
| C(8)-C(7)-N(1)     | 107.0(4)    | C(8)-C(7)-H(7A)     | 126.5       |
| N(1)-C(7)-H(7A)    | 126.5       | C(7)-C(8)-N(2)      | 107.2(4)    |
| C(7)-C(8)-H(8A)    | 126.4       | N(2)-C(8)-H(8A)     | 126.4       |
| N(2)-C(9)-N(1)     | 103.9(4)    | N(2)-C(9)-Ag(1)     | 126.5(3)    |
| N(1)-C(9)-Ag(1)    | 129.4(3)    | N(4)-C(10)-N(3)     | 103.2(4)    |



|                    |          |                     |          |
|--------------------|----------|---------------------|----------|
| N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2)   | 126.0(3) | N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)    | 130.8(3) |
| C(12)-C(11)-N(3)   | 107.2(4) | C(12)-C(11)-H(11A)  | 126.4    |
| N(3)-C(11)-H(11A)  | 126.4    | C(11)-C(12)-N(4)    | 106.8(4) |
| C(11)-C(12)-H(12A) | 126.6    | N(4)-C(12)-H(12A)   | 126.6    |
| N(4)-C(13)-C(14)   | 113.1(4) | N(4)-C(13)-H(13A)   | 109.0    |
| C(14)-C(13)-H(13A) | 109.0    | N(4)-C(13)-H(13B)   | 109.0    |
| C(14)-C(13)-H(13B) | 109.0    | H(13A)-C(13)-H(13B) | 107.8    |
| C(15)-C(14)-C(13)  | 110.0(4) | C(15)-C(14)-H(14A)  | 109.7    |
| C(13)-C(14)-H(14A) | 109.7    | C(15)-C(14)-H(14B)  | 109.7    |
| C(13)-C(14)-H(14B) | 109.7    | H(14A)-C(14)-H(14B) | 108.2    |
| C(16)-C(15)-C(14)  | 125.2(5) | C(16)-C(15)-H(15A)  | 117.4    |
| C(14)-C(15)-H(15A) | 117.4    | C(15)-C(16)-H(16A)  | 120.0    |
| C(15)-C(16)-H(16B) | 120.0    | H(16A)-C(16)-H(16B) | 120.0    |
| N(2)-C(17)-C(18)   | 112.7(4) | N(2)-C(17)-H(17A)   | 109.1    |
| C(18)-C(17)-H(17A) | 109.1    | N(2)-C(17)-H(17B)   | 109.1    |
| C(18)-C(17)-H(17B) | 109.1    | H(17A)-C(17)-H(17B) | 107.8    |
| C(17)-C(18)-C(19)  | 112.6(4) | C(17)-C(18)-H(18A)  | 109.1    |
| C(19)-C(18)-H(18A) | 109.1    | C(17)-C(18)-H(18B)  | 109.1    |
| C(19)-C(18)-H(18B) | 109.1    | H(18A)-C(18)-H(18B) | 107.8    |
| C(20)-C(19)-C(18)  | 125.6(5) | C(20)-C(19)-H(19A)  | 117.2    |
| C(18)-C(19)-H(19A) | 117.2    | C(19)-C(20)-H(20A)  | 120.0    |
| C(19)-C(20)-H(20B) | 120.0    | H(20A)-C(20)-H(20B) | 120.0    |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,y,-z+1/2

**Table S 12.** Torsion angles [°] for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3"-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**)

| atom-atom-atom-atom    | angle     | atom-atom-atom-atom    | angle     |
|------------------------|-----------|------------------------|-----------|
| C(9)-N(1)-C(1)-C(6)    | 40.2(6)   | C(7)-N(1)-C(1)-C(6)    | -141.6(4) |
| C(9)-N(1)-C(1)-C(2)    | -142.5(4) | C(7)-N(1)-C(1)-C(2)    | 35.7(6)   |
| C(6)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)    | -1.8(7)   | N(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)    | -179.0(4) |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)    | 0.5(7)    | C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)    | 0.2(7)    |
| C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-C(6)    | 0.3(7)    | C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-N(3)    | 178.6(4)  |
| C(10)-N(3)-C(5)-C(6)   | -43.7(6)  | C(11)-N(3)-C(5)-C(6)   | 139.7(4)  |
| C(10)-N(3)-C(5)-C(4)   | 138.0(4)  | C(11)-N(3)-C(5)-C(4)   | -38.6(6)  |
| C(2)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)    | 2.2(6)    | N(1)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)    | 179.4(4)  |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(1)    | -1.4(6)   | N(3)-C(5)-C(6)-C(1)    | -179.7(4) |
| C(9)-N(1)-C(7)-C(8)    | -1.2(5)   | C(1)-N(1)-C(7)-C(8)    | -179.7(4) |
| N(1)-C(7)-C(8)-N(2)    | 1.7(5)    | C(9)-N(2)-C(8)-C(7)    | -1.7(5)   |
| C(17)-N(2)-C(8)-C(7)   | -176.0(4) | C(8)-N(2)-C(9)-N(1)    | 1.0(5)    |
| C(17)-N(2)-C(9)-N(1)   | 175.4(4)  | C(8)-N(2)-C(9)-Ag(1)   | 176.4(3)  |
| C(17)-N(2)-C(9)-Ag(1)  | -9.2(6)   | C(7)-N(1)-C(9)-N(2)    | 0.1(5)    |
| C(1)-N(1)-C(9)-N(2)    | 178.6(4)  | C(7)-N(1)-C(9)-Ag(1)   | -175.2(3) |
| C(1)-N(1)-C(9)-Ag(1)   | 3.3(6)    | C(12)-N(4)-C(10)-N(3)  | -1.4(5)   |
| C(13)-N(4)-C(10)-N(3)  | -179.8(4) | C(12)-N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2) | 176.9(3)  |
| C(13)-N(4)-C(10)-Ag(2) | -1.5(6)   | C(11)-N(3)-C(10)-N(4)  | 1.6(5)    |
| C(5)-N(3)-C(10)-N(4)   | -175.4(4) | C(11)-N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2) | -176.6(3) |
| C(5)-N(3)-C(10)-Ag(2)  | 6.5(7)    | C(10)-N(3)-C(11)-C(12) | -1.2(5)   |
| C(5)-N(3)-C(11)-C(12)  | 175.8(4)  | N(3)-C(11)-C(12)-N(4)  | 0.3(5)    |

|                        |           |                         |           |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| C(10)-N(4)-C(12)-C(11) | 0.7(5)    | C(13)-N(4)-C(12)-C(11)  | 179.1(4)  |
| C(10)-N(4)-C(13)-C(14) | 87.4(5)   | C(12)-N(4)-C(13)-C(14)  | -90.7(5)  |
| N(4)-C(13)-C(14)-C(15) | -177.6(4) | C(13)-C(14)-C(15)-C(16) | -116.5(6) |
| C(9)-N(2)-C(17)-C(18)  | -72.8(5)  | C(8)-N(2)-C(17)-C(18)   | 100.9(5)  |
| N(2)-C(17)-C(18)-C(19) | -52.9(6)  | C(17)-C(18)-C(19)-C(20) | 106.7(6)  |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,y,-z+1/2

## Experimental

Single crystals of  $C_{21}H_{24}Ag_2Cl_2I_2N_4$  [bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**)] were [Crystallized via Slow Evaporation of a Saturated Solution of  $CH_2Cl_2$ ]. A suitable crystal was selected and [Mounted on a 200 Micron Mitogen Mount] on a Bruker Smart APEX II diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100K K during data collection. Using Olex2 [1], the structure was solved with the olex2.solve [2] structure solution program using Charge Flipping and refined with the olex2.refine [3] refinement package using Gauss-Newton minimisation.

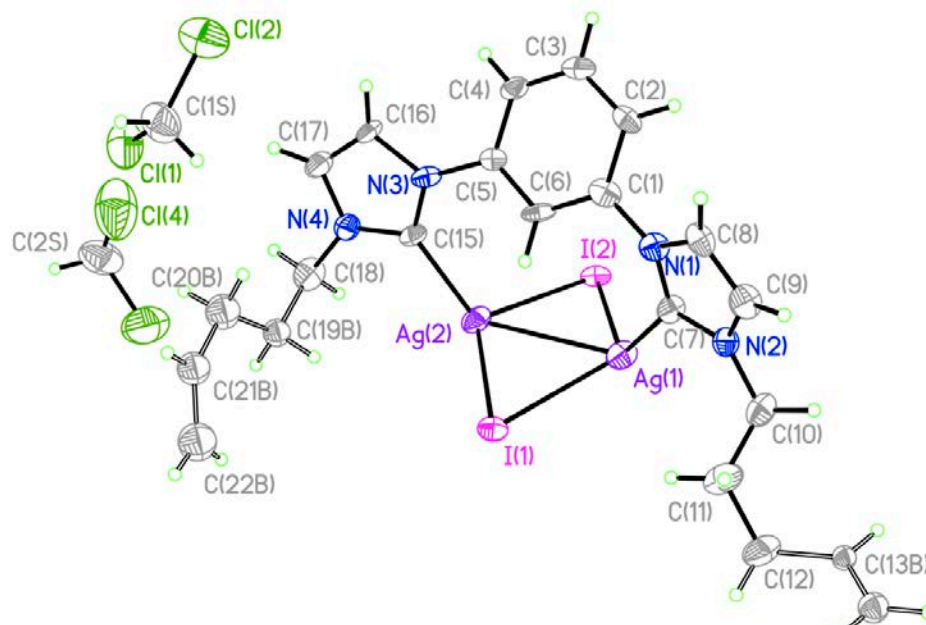
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3. olex2.refine (L.J. Bourhis, O.V. Dolomanov, R.J. Gildea, J.A.K. Howard, H. Puschmann, in preparation, 2011)

Crystal structure determination of Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**).

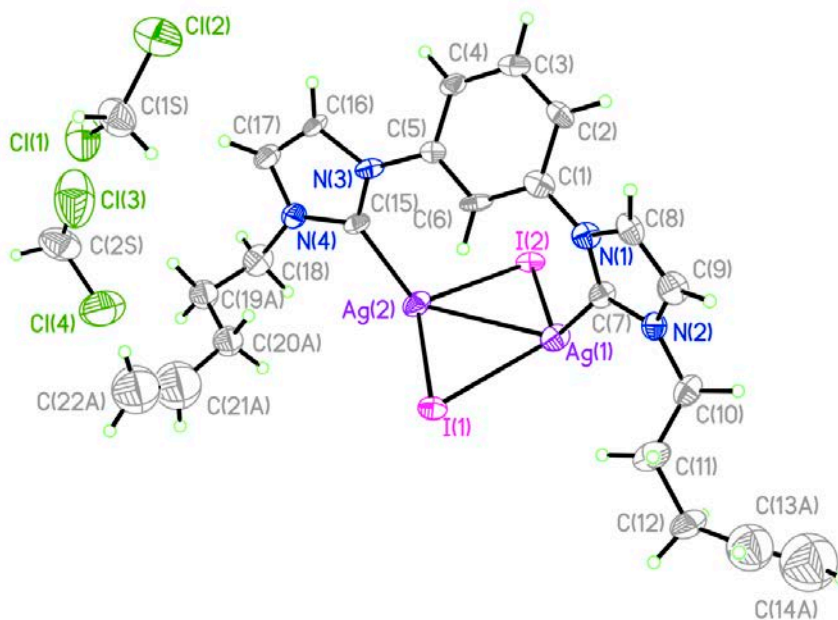
**Crystal data** for  $C_{42}H_{48}Ag_4Cl_4I_4N_8$ ;  $M_r = 1745.76$ ; Orthorhombic; space group  $Pbcn$ ;  $a = 20.6181(12)$  Å;  $b = 12.8667(7)$  Å;  $c = 19.8917(11)$  Å;  $\alpha = 90^\circ$ ;  $\beta = 90^\circ$ ;  $\gamma = 90^\circ$ ;  $V = 5277.0(5)$  Å<sup>3</sup>;  $Z = 4$ ;  $T = 100(2)$  K;  $\lambda(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) = 0.71073$  Å;  $\mu(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) = 4.043$  mm<sup>-1</sup>;  $d_{\text{calc}} = 2.197$  g.cm<sup>-3</sup>; 31536 reflections collected; 5297 unique ( $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0668$ ); giving  $R_1 = 0.0376$ ,  $wR_2 = 0.0753$  for 4069 data with  $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$  and  $R_1 = 0.0554$ ,  $wR_2 = 0.0835$  for all 5297 data. Residual electron density ( $e^-$ .Å<sup>-3</sup>) max/min: 0.738/-1.057.

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**Figure S 1.** 50% Occupancy of the Pentenyl Chain



**Figure S 2.** 50% Occupancy of the Pentenyl Chain



**Table S 13 .** Crystal data and structure refinement for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3c**) .

|                                         |                                                                                                                                |                            |  |
|-----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Identification code                     | Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) ( <b>3c</b> ) |                            |  |
| Empirical formula                       | C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>30</sub> Ag <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> I <sub>2</sub> N <sub>4</sub>                                  |                            |  |
| Formula weight                          | 985.86                                                                                                                         |                            |  |
| Temperature                             | 100(2) K                                                                                                                       |                            |  |
| Wavelength                              | 0.71073 Å                                                                                                                      |                            |  |
| Crystal system                          | Monoclinic                                                                                                                     |                            |  |
| Space group                             | C 2/c                                                                                                                          |                            |  |
| Unit cell dimensions                    | $a = 24.593(19)$ Å                                                                                                             | $\alpha = 90^\circ$        |  |
|                                         | $b = 13.718(10)$ Å                                                                                                             | $\beta = 102.384(9)^\circ$ |  |
|                                         | $c = 19.601(15)$ Å                                                                                                             | $\gamma = 90^\circ$        |  |
| Volume                                  | 6459(8) Å <sup>3</sup>                                                                                                         |                            |  |
| Z                                       | 8                                                                                                                              |                            |  |
| Density (calculated)                    | 2.028 g.cm <sup>-3</sup>                                                                                                       |                            |  |
| Absorption coefficient ( $\mu$ )        | 3.476 mm <sup>-1</sup>                                                                                                         |                            |  |
| F(000)                                  | 3760                                                                                                                           |                            |  |
| Crystal color, habit                    | Colorless, Block                                                                                                               |                            |  |
| Crystal size                            | 0.20 × 0.20 × 0.20 mm <sup>3</sup>                                                                                             |                            |  |
| $\theta$ range for data collection      | 1.709 to 26.369°                                                                                                               |                            |  |
| Index ranges                            | -30 ≤ h ≤ 30, -17 ≤ k ≤ 17, -24 ≤ l ≤ 24                                                                                       |                            |  |
| Reflections collected                   | 31460                                                                                                                          |                            |  |
| Independent reflections                 | 6584 [ $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0652$ ]                                                                                             |                            |  |
| Completeness to $\theta = 25.242^\circ$ | 99.7 %                                                                                                                         |                            |  |
| Absorption correction                   | Semi-empirical from equivalents                                                                                                |                            |  |
| Refinement method                       | Full-matrix least-squares on F <sup>2</sup>                                                                                    |                            |  |
| Data / restraints / parameters          | 6584 / 0 / 319                                                                                                                 |                            |  |
| Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>       | 1.160                                                                                                                          |                            |  |
| Final R indices [ $I > 2\sigma(I)$ ]    | $R_1 = 0.0605$ , $wR_2 = 0.1276$                                                                                               |                            |  |
| R indices (all data)                    | $R_1 = 0.0797$ , $wR_2 = 0.1428$                                                                                               |                            |  |
| Extinction coefficient                  | n/a                                                                                                                            |                            |  |
| Largest diff. peak and hole             | 1.640 and -1.096 e <sup>-</sup> .Å <sup>-3</sup>                                                                               |                            |  |

**Table S 14 .** Atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>) for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3c**) . U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U<sub>ij</sub> tensor.

|       | x          | y          | z          | U(eq)    |
|-------|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| I(1)  | 0.42230(3) | 0.36651(4) | 0.17018(3) | 0.026(1) |
| I(2)  | 0.57327(3) | 0.11114(4) | 0.20259(3) | 0.028(1) |
| Ag(1) | 0.54564(3) | 0.31534(5) | 0.18200(4) | 0.032(1) |
| Ag(2) | 0.45369(3) | 0.15826(5) | 0.16289(4) | 0.032(1) |
| N(1)  | 0.5516(3)  | 0.3758(6)  | 0.0224(4)  | 0.027(2) |
| N(2)  | 0.5848(3)  | 0.4892(5)  | 0.0973(4)  | 0.026(2) |
| N(3)  | 0.4244(3)  | 0.0949(5)  | -0.0019(4) | 0.025(2) |
| N(4)  | 0.3670(3)  | 0.0318(6)  | 0.0555(4)  | 0.028(2) |
| C(1)  | 0.5321(4)  | 0.2849(7)  | -0.0085(5) | 0.028(2) |
| C(2)  | 0.5586(4)  | 0.2454(7)  | -0.0595(5) | 0.027(2) |

|        |             |             |            |           |
|--------|-------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| C(3)   | 0.5392(4)   | 0.1555(7)   | -0.0901(5) | 0.031(2)  |
| C(4)   | 0.4969(4)   | 0.1065(6)   | -0.0700(5) | 0.026(2)  |
| C(5)   | 0.4702(4)   | 0.1468(6)   | -0.0202(4) | 0.023(2)  |
| C(6)   | 0.4885(4)   | 0.2371(6)   | 0.0116(4)  | 0.025(2)  |
| C(7)   | 0.5635(4)   | 0.3968(6)   | 0.0931(5)  | 0.026(2)  |
| C(8)   | 0.5663(4)   | 0.4554(7)   | -0.0160(5) | 0.029(2)  |
| C(9)   | 0.5861(4)   | 0.5266(7)   | 0.0312(5)  | 0.035(2)  |
| C(10)  | 0.6038(4)   | 0.5430(7)   | 0.1628(5)  | 0.036(2)  |
| C(11)  | 0.5571(5)   | 0.6029(8)   | 0.1830(6)  | 0.045(3)  |
| C(12)  | 0.5781(5)   | 0.6593(8)   | 0.2544(5)  | 0.042(3)  |
| C(13A) | 0.6044(17)  | 0.751(3)    | 0.244(2)   | 0.082(10) |
| C(14A) | 0.645(2)    | 0.791(4)    | 0.267(3)   | 0.126(17) |
| C(13B) | 0.6273(8)   | 0.7259(13)  | 0.2548(9)  | 0.020(3)  |
| C(14B) | 0.6194(9)   | 0.8283(15)  | 0.2453(10) | 0.030(4)  |
| C(15)  | 0.4124(4)   | 0.0927(6)   | 0.0631(4)  | 0.024(2)  |
| C(16)  | 0.3881(4)   | 0.0358(7)   | -0.0499(5) | 0.030(2)  |
| C(17)  | 0.3513(4)   | -0.0028(8)  | -0.0142(5) | 0.034(2)  |
| C(18)  | 0.3365(5)   | 0.0064(8)   | 0.1097(5)  | 0.039(2)  |
| C(19A) | 0.2795(9)   | 0.0467(17)  | 0.1009(12) | 0.038(5)  |
| C(20A) | 0.2824(9)   | 0.1560(16)  | 0.1078(12) | 0.039(5)  |
| C(21A) | 0.2290(18)  | 0.204(3)    | 0.107(2)   | 0.097(12) |
| C(22A) | 0.1909(18)  | 0.230(3)    | 0.073(3)   | 0.093(12) |
| C(19B) | 0.2926(8)   | 0.0910(17)  | 0.1154(10) | 0.031(4)  |
| C(20B) | 0.2468(10)  | 0.1082(18)  | 0.0516(13) | 0.047(5)  |
| C(21B) | 0.2089(10)  | 0.1914(17)  | 0.0547(12) | 0.040(5)  |
| C(22B) | 0.1998(13)  | 0.244(2)    | 0.1125(16) | 0.055(7)  |
| C(1S)  | 0.2222(5)   | 0.0251(10)  | -0.1484(7) | 0.056(3)  |
| Cl(1)  | 0.20151(15) | -0.0636(3)  | -0.0953(2) | 0.068(1)  |
| Cl(2)  | 0.26764(18) | -0.0205(3)  | -0.1990(2) | 0.073(1)  |
| C(2S)  | 0.1869(7)   | -0.2441(10) | 0.1227(9)  | 0.072(4)  |
| Cl(3)  | 0.2013(2)   | -0.2008(5)  | 0.0468(3)  | 0.116(2)  |
| Cl(4)  | 0.2117(2)   | -0.1716(5)  | 0.1939(3)  | 0.131(3)  |
| H(2A)  | 0.5886      | 0.2786      | -0.0729    | 0.033     |
| H(3A)  | 0.5559      | 0.1284      | -0.1252    | 0.037     |
| H(4A)  | 0.4855      | 0.0447      | -0.0899    | 0.031     |
| H(6A)  | 0.4713      | 0.2643      | 0.0462     | 0.030     |
| H(8A)  | 0.5629      | 0.4584      | -0.0652    | 0.035     |
| H(9A)  | 0.5985      | 0.5896      | 0.0212     | 0.042     |
| H(10A) | 0.6346      | 0.5872      | 0.1578     | 0.043     |
| H(10B) | 0.6186      | 0.4963      | 0.2007     | 0.043     |
| H(11A) | 0.5261      | 0.5590      | 0.1874     | 0.055     |
| H(11B) | 0.5427      | 0.6506      | 0.1455     | 0.055     |
| H(12A) | 0.5460      | 0.6718      | 0.2763     | 0.051     |
| H(12B) | 0.6049      | 0.6178      | 0.2866     | 0.051     |
| H(12C) | 0.5469      | 0.6986      | 0.2643     | 0.051     |
| H(12D) | 0.5885      | 0.6109      | 0.2924     | 0.051     |
| H(13A) | 0.5811      | 0.7883      | 0.2091     | 0.098     |
| H(14A) | 0.6723      | 0.7618      | 0.3024     | 0.151     |
| H(14B) | 0.6514      | 0.8536      | 0.2492     | 0.151     |
| H(13B) | 0.6637      | 0.6991      | 0.2614     | 0.024     |
| H(14C) | 0.5831      | 0.8553      | 0.2386     | 0.036     |
| H(14D) | 0.6505      | 0.8696      | 0.2456     | 0.036     |

|        |        |         |         |       |
|--------|--------|---------|---------|-------|
| H(16A) | 0.3890 | 0.0250  | -0.0975 | 0.036 |
| H(17A) | 0.3209 | -0.0447 | -0.0325 | 0.041 |
| H(18A) | 0.3586 | 0.0287  | 0.1553  | 0.047 |
| H(18B) | 0.3340 | -0.0656 | 0.1118  | 0.047 |
| H(18C) | 0.3629 | -0.0016 | 0.1552  | 0.047 |
| H(18D) | 0.3166 | -0.0562 | 0.0978  | 0.047 |
| H(19A) | 0.2611 | 0.0191  | 0.1368  | 0.045 |
| H(19B) | 0.2571 | 0.0287  | 0.0544  | 0.045 |
| H(20A) | 0.3086 | 0.1727  | 0.1520  | 0.046 |
| H(20B) | 0.2978 | 0.1827  | 0.0690  | 0.046 |
| H(21A) | 0.2268 | 0.2164  | 0.1542  | 0.116 |
| H(22A) | 0.1859 | 0.2240  | 0.0238  | 0.112 |
| H(22B) | 0.1628 | 0.2601  | 0.0925  | 0.112 |
| H(19C) | 0.2750 | 0.0754  | 0.1551  | 0.037 |
| H(19D) | 0.3134 | 0.1527  | 0.1269  | 0.037 |
| H(20C) | 0.2643 | 0.1183  | 0.0111  | 0.056 |
| H(20D) | 0.2241 | 0.0482  | 0.0425  | 0.056 |
| H(21B) | 0.1875 | 0.2120  | 0.0108  | 0.048 |
| H(22C) | 0.2197 | 0.2278  | 0.1582  | 0.066 |
| H(22D) | 0.1737 | 0.2963  | 0.1060  | 0.066 |
| H(1SA) | 0.2409 | 0.0789  | -0.1187 | 0.067 |
| H(1SB) | 0.1888 | 0.0524  | -0.1800 | 0.067 |
| H(2SA) | 0.2032 | -0.3100 | 0.1318  | 0.087 |
| H(2SB) | 0.1460 | -0.2504 | 0.1167  | 0.087 |

**Table S 15.** Anisotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ ) for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3c**) .

The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:

$$-2\pi^2[h^2a^*{}^2U_{11} + \dots + 2hka^*b^*U_{12}]$$

|       | $U_{11}$  | $U_{22}$  | $U_{33}$  | $U_{23}$   | $U_{13}$  | $U_{12}$   |
|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------|
| I(1)  | 0.0337(3) | 0.0251(3) | 0.0209(3) | 0.0027(2)  | 0.0080(2) | 0.0043(2)  |
| I(2)  | 0.0377(3) | 0.0254(3) | 0.0221(3) | -0.0026(2) | 0.0076(2) | 0.0068(2)  |
| Ag(1) | 0.0448(4) | 0.0283(4) | 0.0221(3) | 0.0037(3)  | 0.0087(3) | -0.0052(3) |
| Ag(2) | 0.0433(4) | 0.0318(4) | 0.0214(3) | -0.0026(3) | 0.0058(3) | -0.0086(3) |
| N(1)  | 0.034(4)  | 0.026(4)  | 0.021(4)  | 0.005(3)   | 0.008(3)  | 0.000(3)   |
| N(2)  | 0.027(4)  | 0.025(4)  | 0.028(4)  | 0.003(3)   | 0.008(3)  | -0.003(3)  |
| N(3)  | 0.037(4)  | 0.018(3)  | 0.020(4)  | -0.003(3)  | 0.008(3)  | 0.001(3)   |
| N(4)  | 0.030(4)  | 0.024(4)  | 0.031(4)  | -0.002(3)  | 0.008(3)  | -0.004(3)  |
| C(1)  | 0.036(5)  | 0.031(5)  | 0.018(4)  | 0.011(4)   | 0.009(4)  | 0.005(4)   |
| C(2)  | 0.022(4)  | 0.034(5)  | 0.027(5)  | 0.005(4)   | 0.009(4)  | 0.007(4)   |
| C(3)  | 0.038(5)  | 0.034(5)  | 0.023(4)  | -0.005(4)  | 0.009(4)  | 0.007(4)   |
| C(4)  | 0.028(5)  | 0.018(4)  | 0.029(5)  | -0.008(4)  | 0.003(4)  | 0.004(3)   |
| C(5)  | 0.027(4)  | 0.021(4)  | 0.020(4)  | 0.000(3)   | 0.006(3)  | 0.003(3)   |
| C(6)  | 0.044(5)  | 0.013(4)  | 0.019(4)  | -0.003(3)  | 0.007(4)  | 0.008(4)   |
| C(7)  | 0.037(5)  | 0.019(4)  | 0.023(4)  | 0.004(3)   | 0.010(4)  | -0.007(4)  |
| C(8)  | 0.027(5)  | 0.032(5)  | 0.029(5)  | 0.012(4)   | 0.009(4)  | 0.002(4)   |
| C(9)  | 0.042(6)  | 0.032(5)  | 0.032(5)  | 0.009(4)   | 0.013(4)  | -0.004(4)  |
| C(10) | 0.041(6)  | 0.028(5)  | 0.037(5)  | -0.001(4)  | 0.004(4)  | -0.008(4)  |
| C(11) | 0.051(7)  | 0.039(6)  | 0.042(6)  | -0.012(5)  | 0.000(5)  | 0.005(5)   |
| C(12) | 0.061(7)  | 0.037(6)  | 0.029(5)  | -0.007(4)  | 0.009(5)  | -0.007(5)  |

|       |            |          |           |            |            |             |
|-------|------------|----------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|
| C(15) | 0.029(5)   | 0.024(4) | 0.017(4)  | -0.003(3)  | -0.001(3)  | 0.003(4)    |
| C(16) | 0.029(5)   | 0.033(5) | 0.024(4)  | -0.015(4)  | -0.001(4)  | -0.005(4)   |
| C(17) | 0.032(5)   | 0.036(5) | 0.032(5)  | -0.012(4)  | 0.000(4)   | -0.001(4)   |
| C(18) | 0.050(6)   | 0.037(6) | 0.030(5)  | 0.009(4)   | 0.010(5)   | -0.012(5)   |
| C(1S) | 0.047(7)   | 0.058(8) | 0.062(8)  | 0.006(6)   | 0.010(6)   | 0.017(6)    |
| Cl(1) | 0.0525(19) | 0.083(3) | 0.065(2)  | 0.0131(19) | 0.0062(16) | -0.0095(18) |
| Cl(2) | 0.082(3)   | 0.079(3) | 0.064(2)  | 0.0045(19) | 0.028(2)   | 0.016(2)    |
| C(2S) | 0.087(11)  | 0.047(8) | 0.094(12) | -0.005(8)  | 0.041(9)   | 0.010(7)    |
| Cl(3) | 0.086(3)   | 0.164(6) | 0.095(4)  | 0.037(4)   | 0.010(3)   | -0.029(4)   |
| Cl(4) | 0.100(4)   | 0.166(6) | 0.116(4)  | -0.076(4)  | -0.003(3)  | 0.029(4)    |

**Table S 16.** Bond lengths [Å] for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3c**) .

| atom-atom     | distance  | atom-atom     | distance  |
|---------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|
| I(1)-Ag(1i)   | 2.920(2)  | I(1)-Ag(2)    | 2.971(2)  |
| I(1)-Ag(1)    | 3.073(2)  | I(2)-Ag(1)    | 2.890(2)  |
| I(2)-Ag(2i)   | 2.926(2)  | I(2)-Ag(2)    | 2.948(2)  |
| Ag(1)-C(7)    | 2.192(8)  | Ag(1)-I(1i)   | 2.921(2)  |
| Ag(1)-Ag(2)   | 3.088(2)  | Ag(2)-C(15)   | 2.193(8)  |
| Ag(2)-I(2i)   | 2.926(2)  | N(1)-C(7)     | 1.385(11) |
| N(1)-C(8)     | 1.416(11) | N(1)-C(1)     | 1.423(12) |
| N(2)-C(7)     | 1.367(11) | N(2)-C(9)     | 1.402(12) |
| N(2)-C(10)    | 1.468(12) | N(3)-C(15)    | 1.368(11) |
| N(3)-C(16)    | 1.407(11) | N(3)-C(5)     | 1.442(11) |
| N(4)-C(15)    | 1.378(12) | N(4)-C(17)    | 1.420(12) |
| N(4)-C(18)    | 1.468(12) | C(1)-C(6)     | 1.384(13) |
| C(1)-C(2)     | 1.413(12) | C(2)-C(3)     | 1.409(14) |
| C(3)-C(4)     | 1.366(14) | C(4)-C(5)     | 1.401(12) |
| C(5)-C(6)     | 1.417(12) | C(8)-C(9)     | 1.363(14) |
| C(10)-C(11)   | 1.532(15) | C(11)-C(12)   | 1.585(14) |
| C(12)-C(13A)  | 1.44(4)   | C(12)-C(13B)  | 1.52(2)   |
| C(13A)-C(14A) | 1.14(6)   | C(13B)-C(14B) | 1.43(3)   |
| C(16)-C(17)   | 1.364(14) | C(18)-C(19A)  | 1.48(2)   |
| C(18)-C(19B)  | 1.61(2)   | C(19A)-C(20A) | 1.50(3)   |
| C(20A)-C(21A) | 1.46(5)   | C(21A)-C(22A) | 1.09(5)   |
| C(19B)-C(20B) | 1.51(3)   | C(20B)-C(21B) | 1.48(3)   |
| C(21B)-C(22B) | 1.40(4)   | C(1S)-Cl(1)   | 1.747(14) |
| C(1S)-Cl(2)   | 1.759(13) | C(2S)-Cl(3)   | 1.709(17) |
| C(2S)-Cl(4)   | 1.715(17) |               |           |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,y,-z+1/2

**Table S 17.** Bond angles [°] for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3c**) .

| atom-atom-atom    | angle    | atom-atom-atom    | angle    |
|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Ag(1i)-I(1)-Ag(2) | 78.40(3) | Ag(1i)-I(1)-Ag(1) | 79.53(3) |
| Ag(2)-I(1)-Ag(1)  | 61.42(2) | Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(2i) | 79.62(3) |
| Ag(1)-I(2)-Ag(2)  | 63.85(2) | Ag(2i)-I(2)-Ag(2) | 77.49(4) |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-I(2)   | 121.6(2) | C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1i)  | 127.5(2) |

|                      |           |                      |           |
|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|
| I(2)-Ag(1)-I(1i)     | 95.11(3)  | C(7)-Ag(1)-I(1)      | 100.7(3)  |
| I(2)-Ag(1)-I(1)      | 115.50(3) | I(1i)-Ag(1)-I(1)     | 94.13(3)  |
| C(7)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)     | 121.7(2)  | I(2)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)     | 58.98(5)  |
| I(1i)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)    | 108.84(3) | I(1)-Ag(1)-Ag(2)     | 57.65(5)  |
| C(15)-Ag(2)-I(2i)    | 124.2(2)  | C(15)-Ag(2)-I(2)     | 113.0(2)  |
| I(2i)-Ag(2)-I(2)     | 96.88(4)  | C(15)-Ag(2)-I(1)     | 111.2(2)  |
| I(2i)-Ag(2)-I(1)     | 93.31(3)  | I(2)-Ag(2)-I(1)      | 116.93(3) |
| C(15)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)    | 125.5(2)  | I(2i)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)    | 110.27(4) |
| I(2)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)     | 57.17(5)  | I(1)-Ag(2)-Ag(1)     | 60.93(5)  |
| C(7)-N(1)-C(8)       | 110.4(8)  | C(7)-N(1)-C(1)       | 126.0(7)  |
| C(8)-N(1)-C(1)       | 123.4(8)  | C(7)-N(2)-C(9)       | 111.7(8)  |
| C(7)-N(2)-C(10)      | 124.4(8)  | C(9)-N(2)-C(10)      | 123.9(8)  |
| C(15)-N(3)-C(16)     | 112.2(8)  | C(15)-N(3)-C(5)      | 125.4(7)  |
| C(16)-N(3)-C(5)      | 122.4(7)  | C(15)-N(4)-C(17)     | 110.7(8)  |
| C(15)-N(4)-C(18)     | 126.5(8)  | C(17)-N(4)-C(18)     | 122.8(8)  |
| C(6)-C(1)-C(2)       | 121.5(9)  | C(6)-C(1)-N(1)       | 120.3(8)  |
| C(2)-C(1)-N(1)       | 118.2(8)  | C(3)-C(2)-C(1)       | 118.2(9)  |
| C(4)-C(3)-C(2)       | 121.1(8)  | C(3)-C(4)-C(5)       | 120.5(8)  |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6)       | 119.9(8)  | C(4)-C(5)-N(3)       | 119.1(8)  |
| C(6)-C(5)-N(3)       | 120.9(8)  | C(1)-C(6)-C(5)       | 118.8(8)  |
| N(2)-C(7)-N(1)       | 104.4(7)  | N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)      | 124.4(6)  |
| N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)      | 130.9(6)  | C(9)-C(8)-N(1)       | 106.7(8)  |
| C(8)-C(9)-N(2)       | 106.8(8)  | N(2)-C(10)-C(11)     | 112.3(8)  |
| C(10)-C(11)-C(12)    | 111.7(9)  | C(13A)-C(12)-C(11)   | 112.0(18) |
| C(13B)-C(12)-C(11)   | 114.0(11) | C(14A)-C(13A)-C(12)  | 139(5)    |
| C(14B)-C(13B)-C(12)  | 120.4(18) | N(3)-C(15)-N(4)      | 104.1(7)  |
| N(3)-C(15)-Ag(2)     | 132.1(7)  | N(4)-C(15)-Ag(2)     | 123.7(6)  |
| C(17)-C(16)-N(3)     | 106.0(8)  | C(16)-C(17)-N(4)     | 106.9(8)  |
| N(4)-C(18)-C(19A)    | 116.4(12) | N(4)-C(18)-C(19B)    | 109.6(10) |
| C(18)-C(19A)-C(20A)  | 109.6(18) | C(21A)-C(20A)-C(19A) | 115(2)    |
| C(22A)-C(21A)-C(20A) | 144(6)    | C(20B)-C(19B)-C(18)  | 116.6(17) |
| C(21B)-C(20B)-C(19B) | 117(2)    | C(22B)-C(21B)-C(20B) | 130(3)    |
| Cl(1)-C(1S)-Cl(2)    | 112.9(7)  | Cl(3)-C(2S)-Cl(4)    | 113.8(9)  |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,y,-z+1/2



**Table S 18** . Torsion angles [°] for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-pent-4''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3c**) .

| atom-atom-atom-atom         | angle      | atom-atom-atom-atom        | angle      |
|-----------------------------|------------|----------------------------|------------|
| C(7)-N(1)-C(1)-C(6)         | 47.4(13)   | C(8)-N(1)-C(1)-C(6)        | -138.6(9)  |
| C(7)-N(1)-C(1)-C(2)         | -132.3(10) | C(8)-N(1)-C(1)-C(2)        | 41.6(13)   |
| C(6)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)         | 0.3(13)    | N(1)-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)        | -179.9(8)  |
| C(1)-C(2)-C(3)-C(4)         | -1.4(14)   | C(2)-C(3)-C(4)-C(5)        | 2.5(14)    |
| C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-C(6)         | -2.5(13)   | C(3)-C(4)-C(5)-N(3)        | 177.9(8)   |
| C(15)-N(3)-C(5)-C(4)        | 145.1(9)   | C(16)-N(3)-C(5)-C(4)       | -31.6(12)  |
| C(15)-N(3)-C(5)-C(6)        | -34.5(13)  | C(16)-N(3)-C(5)-C(6)       | 148.9(9)   |
| C(2)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)         | -0.3(13)   | N(1)-C(1)-C(6)-C(5)        | 179.9(8)   |
| C(4)-C(5)-C(6)-C(1)         | 1.4(13)    | N(3)-C(5)-C(6)-C(1)        | -179.0(8)  |
| C(9)-N(2)-C(7)-N(1)         | 0.5(10)    | C(10)-N(2)-C(7)-N(1)       | -179.7(8)  |
| C(9)-N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)        | -173.5(7)  | C(10)-N(2)-C(7)-Ag(1)      | 6.3(13)    |
| C(8)-N(1)-C(7)-N(2)         | 0.6(10)    | C(1)-N(1)-C(7)-N(2)        | 175.2(8)   |
| C(8)-N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)        | 174.0(7)   | C(1)-N(1)-C(7)-Ag(1)       | -11.4(14)  |
| C(7)-N(1)-C(8)-C(9)         | -1.4(11)   | C(1)-N(1)-C(8)-C(9)        | -176.2(9)  |
| N(1)-C(8)-C(9)-N(2)         | 1.6(11)    | C(7)-N(2)-C(9)-C(8)        | -1.3(11)   |
| C(10)-N(2)-C(9)-C(8)        | 178.9(9)   | C(7)-N(2)-C(10)-C(11)      | -89.9(12)  |
| C(9)-N(2)-C(10)-C(11)       | 89.8(12)   | N(2)-C(10)-C(11)-C(12)     | 179.1(9)   |
| C(10)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13A)    | 84(2)      | C(10)-C(11)-C(12)-C(13B)   | 56.5(15)   |
| C(13B)-C(12)-C(13A)-C(14A)  | -29(5)     | C(11)-C(12)-C(13A)-C(14A)  | -129(6)    |
| C(13A)-C(12)-C(13B)-C(14B)  | 10(4)      | C(11)-C(12)-C(13B)-C(14B)  | 101.0(17)  |
| C(16)-N(3)-C(15)-N(4)       | -0.9(10)   | C(5)-N(3)-C(15)-N(4)       | -177.8(8)  |
| C(16)-N(3)-C(15)-Ag(2)      | 175.8(7)   | C(5)-N(3)-C(15)-Ag(2)      | -1.1(13)   |
| C(17)-N(4)-C(15)-N(3)       | -0.2(10)   | C(18)-N(4)-C(15)-N(3)      | -178.2(9)  |
| C(17)-N(4)-C(15)-Ag(2)      | -177.2(6)  | C(18)-N(4)-C(15)-Ag(2)     | 4.8(13)    |
| C(15)-N(3)-C(16)-C(17)      | 1.6(11)    | C(5)-N(3)-C(16)-C(17)      | 178.6(8)   |
| N(3)-C(16)-C(17)-N(4)       | -1.6(11)   | C(15)-N(4)-C(17)-C(16)     | 1.2(11)    |
| C(18)-N(4)-C(17)-C(16)      | 179.3(9)   | C(15)-N(4)-C(18)-C(19A)    | 110.0(15)  |
| C(17)-N(4)-C(18)-C(19A)     | -67.8(16)  | C(15)-N(4)-C(18)-C(19B)    | 82.1(14)   |
| C(17)-N(4)-C(18)-C(19B)     | -95.7(13)  | N(4)-C(18)-C(19A)-C(20A)   | -66(2)     |
| C(19B)-C(18)-C(19A)-C(20A)  | 15(2)      | C(18)-C(19A)-C(20A)-C(21A) | -174(2)    |
| C(19A)-C(20A)-C(21A)-C(22A) | -82(8)     | N(4)-C(18)-C(19B)-C(20B)   | 63(2)      |
| C(19A)-C(18)-C(19B)-C(20B)  | -47(3)     | C(18)-C(19B)-C(20B)-C(21B) | -175.3(18) |
| C(19B)-C(20B)-C(21B)-C(22B) | -17(4)     |                            |            |

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 -x+1,y,-z+1/2

## Experimental

Single crystals of  $C_{24}H_{27}Ag_2Cl_4I_2N_4$  [bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3-but-3-enyl-imidazol-2-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**)] were [Crystallized via Vapor Diffusion of Et<sub>2</sub>O into a Saturated Solution of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>]. A suitable crystal was selected and [Mounted on a 100um Mitogen Mount] on a Bruker Smart APEX II diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100K K during data collection. Using Olex2 [1], the structure was solved with the olex2.solve [2] structure solution program using Charge Flipping and refined with the olex2.refine [3] refinement package using Gauss-Newton minimisation.

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2. olex2.solve (L.J. Bourhis, O.V. Dolomanov, R.J. Gildea, J.A.K. Howard, H. Puschmann, in preparation, 2011)
3. olex2.refine (L.J. Bourhis, O.V. Dolomanov, R.J. Gildea, J.A.K. Howard, H. Puschmann, in preparation, 2011)

**Crystal data** for C<sub>24</sub> H<sub>30</sub> Ag<sub>2</sub> Cl<sub>4</sub> I<sub>2</sub> N<sub>4</sub>;  $M_r = 985.86$ ; Monoclinic; space group C 2/c;  $a = 24.593(19)$  Å;  $b = 13.718(10)$  Å;  $c = 19.601(15)$  Å;  $\alpha = 90^\circ$ ;  $\beta = 102.384(9)^\circ$ ;  $\gamma = 90^\circ$ ;  $V = 6459(8)$  Å<sup>3</sup>;  $Z = 8$ ;  $T = 100(2)$  K;  $\lambda(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) = 0.71073$  Å;  $\mu(\text{Mo-K}\alpha) = 3.476$  mm<sup>-1</sup>;  $d_{\text{calc}} = 2.028$  g.cm<sup>-3</sup>; 31460 reflections collected; 6584 unique ( $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0652$ ); giving  $R_1 = 0.0605$ ,  $wR_2 = 0.1276$  for 5253 data with  $[I > 2\sigma(I)]$  and  $R_1 = 0.0797$ ,  $wR_2 = 0.1428$  for all 6584 data. Residual electron density (e<sup>-</sup>.Å<sup>-3</sup>) max/min: 1.640/-1.096.

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Crystallographic Report for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**)

**Table S 19**

Crystal data and structure refinement for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**)

|                                             |                                                                                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Identification code                         | Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) ( <b>3d</b> ) |
| Empirical formula                           | C <sub>36</sub> H <sub>48</sub> Ag <sub>4</sub> I <sub>4</sub> N <sub>12</sub>                                                 |
| Formula weight                              | 1587.94                                                                                                                        |
| Temperature/K                               | 100K                                                                                                                           |
| Crystal system                              | monoclinic                                                                                                                     |
| Space group                                 | P2 <sub>1</sub> /c                                                                                                             |
| a/Å                                         | 12.1183(2)                                                                                                                     |
| b/Å                                         | 17.1196(3)                                                                                                                     |
| c/Å                                         | 23.9166(4)                                                                                                                     |
| $\alpha$ /°                                 | 90.00                                                                                                                          |
| $\beta$ /°                                  | 102.4310(10)                                                                                                                   |
| $\gamma$ /°                                 | 90.00                                                                                                                          |
| Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>                       | 4845.43(14)                                                                                                                    |
| Z                                           | 4                                                                                                                              |
| $\rho_{\text{calc}}$ /mg/mm <sup>3</sup>    | 2.177                                                                                                                          |
| m/mm <sup>-1</sup>                          | 33.099                                                                                                                         |
| F(000)                                      | 2992.0                                                                                                                         |
| Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>                | 0.35 × 0.25 × 0.11                                                                                                             |
| 2 $\theta$ range for data collection        | 6.4 to 134.8°                                                                                                                  |
| Index ranges                                | -13 ≤ h ≤ 10, -19 ≤ k ≤ 19, -28 ≤ l ≤ 26                                                                                       |
| Reflections collected                       | 37413                                                                                                                          |
| Independent reflections                     | 7895[R(int) = 0.0723]                                                                                                          |
| Data/restraints/parameters                  | 7895/30/510                                                                                                                    |
| Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>           | 1.020                                                                                                                          |
| Final R indexes [I ≥ 2 $\sigma$ (I)]        | R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0480, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1225                                                                              |
| Final R indexes [all data]                  | R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0627, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1325                                                                              |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup> | 1.31/-1.04                                                                                                                     |

**Table S 20**

Fractional Atomic Coordinates (×10<sup>4</sup>) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>×10<sup>3</sup>) for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**).

U<sub>eq</sub> is defined as 1/3 of the trace of the orthogonalised U<sub>ij</sub> tensor.

| Atom | x         | Y         | z        | U(eq)    |
|------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|
| C1   | 9751(7)   | 6080(5)   | -258(4)  | 43.5(19) |
| C2   | 6135(9)   | 7563(6)   | 3451(4)  | 63(3)    |
| C3   | 7553(8)   | 6642(6)   | 3179(4)  | 67(3)    |
| C4   | 8739(9)   | 6920(8)   | 3314(7)  | 112(5)   |
| C5   | 9610(15)  | 6306(16)  | 3537(10) | 214(13)  |
| C6   | 9930(30)  | 5909(19)  | 3090(10) | 340(30)  |
| C7   | 6082(6)   | 5999(4)   | -382(3)  | 33.3(16) |
| C8   | 4996(7)   | 8727(5)   | 2311(3)  | 42.6(19) |
| C9   | 3859(8)   | 8798(6)   | 2307(4)  | 61(3)    |
| C10  | 10457(6)  | 6693(5)   | 698(4)   | 44(2)    |
| C11  | 4829(7)   | 9663(5)   | 1572(3)  | 44(2)    |
| C12  | 3680(8)   | 9732(6)   | 1553(4)  | 62(3)    |
| C13  | 8170(8)   | 5769(6)   | -1247(4) | 62(3)    |
| C14  | 5315(9)   | 11016(5)  | 605(4)   | 64(3)    |
| C15  | 6817(7)   | 10546(5)  | 96(4)    | 52(2)    |
| C16  | 7903(12)  | 10894(15) | 354(7)   | 201(13)  |
| C17  | 8778(16)  | 10829(14) | -30(11)  | 320(30)  |
| C18  | 8530(19)  | 11468(14) | -390(10) | 212(12)  |
| C19  | 5503(7)   | 9163(5)   | 1945(3)  | 40.5(18) |
| C20  | 5094(7)   | 5162(5)   | -996(4)  | 49(2)    |
| C21  | 4032(6)   | 5902(5)   | -365(3)  | 45(2)    |
| C22  | 3415(7)   | 6576(5)   | -690(3)  | 54(2)    |
| C23  | 2812(8)   | 6398(6)   | -1289(4) | 71(3)    |
| C24  | 2168(12)  | 7052(9)   | -1582(6) | 119(6)   |
| C25  | 8639(6)   | 5948(4)   | -225(3)  | 36.7(18) |
| C26  | 7863(6)   | 5795(4)   | -725(3)  | 37.6(18) |
| C27  | 6070(7)   | 9875(5)   | 875(3)   | 42.7(19) |
| C28  | 9281(9)   | 5870(8)   | -1258(4) | 84(4)    |
| C29  | 10076(8)  | 6045(7)   | -774(4)  | 77(3)    |
| C30  | 6420(7)   | 7685(5)   | 2571(3)  | 44(2)    |
| C31  | 3221(9)   | 9299(7)   | 1939(5)  | 73(3)    |
| C32  | 12221(7)  | 6365(5)   | 724(5)   | 56(2)    |
| C33  | 11892(8)  | 7150(7)   | 1554(5)  | 69(3)    |
| C34  | 11892(15) | 6624(11)  | 2055(6)  | 156(8)   |
| C35  | 12780(18) | 6013(9)   | 2213(7)  | 148(7)   |
| C36  | 13926(16) | 6347(11)  | 2375(10) | 173(9)   |
| N1   | 6083(6)   | 10473(4)  | 518(3)   | 46.4(17) |
| N2   | 4813(7)   | 10816(4)  | 996(3)   | 62(2)    |
| N3   | 5290(6)   | 10101(4)  | 1160(3)  | 43.6(16) |
| N4   | 5668(6)   | 8185(4)   | 2690(3)  | 45.1(17) |
| N5   | 5464(7)   | 8115(4)   | 3237(3)  | 57(2)    |

|     |           |           |           |           |
|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| N6  | 6718(6)   | 7288(4)   | 3068(3)   | 51.6(18)  |
| N7  | 6702(5)   | 5654(4)   | -705(3)   | 37.0(15)  |
| N8  | 5056(5)   | 5673(4)   | -569(3)   | 38.1(15)  |
| N9  | 6113(5)   | 5125(4)   | -1105(3)  | 50.3(18)  |
| N10 | 10583(5)  | 6273(4)   | 241(3)    | 40.3(16)  |
| N11 | 11530(5)  | 6745(4)   | 1009(3)   | 48.5(17)  |
| N12 | 11710(6)  | 6065(4)   | 256(3)    | 53.2(19)  |
| Ag1 | 6549.3(5) | 6861.9(4) | 301.4(3)  | 56.7(2)   |
| Ag2 | 8991.1(5) | 7259.3(4) | 923.6(3)  | 60.2(2)   |
| Ag3 | 7003.8(7) | 8776.9(4) | 901.5(3)  | 66.7(2)   |
| Ag4 | 6958.6(7) | 7449.1(4) | 1770.3(3) | 62.3(2)   |
| I1  | 7795.8(4) | 8177.6(3) | -56.4(2)  | 45.70(17) |
| I2  | 7755.5(4) | 6023.4(3) | 1391.0(2) | 46.98(17) |
| I3  | 4940.6(4) | 7630.3(3) | 820.9(2)  | 40.68(17) |
| I4  | 8983.4(5) | 8458.1(3) | 1779.5(2) | 54.35(19) |

**Table S 21**

Anisotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**). The Anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2[h^2a^{*2}U_{11}+...+2hka \times b \times U_{12}]$

| Atom | U <sub>11</sub> | U <sub>22</sub> | U <sub>33</sub> | U <sub>23</sub> | U <sub>13</sub> | U <sub>12</sub> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| C1   | 28(5)           | 53(5)           | 53(5)           | -11(4)          | 16(4)           | -1(4)           |
| C2   | 72(7)           | 80(7)           | 39(5)           | 12(5)           | 19(5)           | -3(6)           |
| C3   | 73(7)           | 65(6)           | 61(6)           | 18(5)           | 10(5)           | 11(5)           |
| C4   | 59(9)           | 137(12)         | 140(13)         | 56(11)          | 21(8)           | 19(8)           |
| C5   | 65(12)          | 350(40)         | 220(30)         | 70(30)          | 3(13)           | 54(17)          |
| C6   | 570(80)         | 270(40)         | 130(20)         | 40(30)          | -40(30)         | 140(40)         |
| C7   | 25(4)           | 40(4)           | 34(4)           | -3(3)           | 6(3)            | -3(3)           |
| C8   | 48(5)           | 55(5)           | 28(4)           | -6(4)           | 15(4)           | 7(4)            |
| C9   | 53(6)           | 83(7)           | 55(5)           | 6(5)            | 31(5)           | 17(5)           |
| C10  | 19(4)           | 51(5)           | 58(5)           | 1(4)            | 2(4)            | -9(3)           |
| C11  | 49(5)           | 52(5)           | 30(4)           | -2(4)           | 9(3)            | 17(4)           |
| C12  | 54(6)           | 72(6)           | 63(6)           | 6(5)            | 18(5)           | 22(5)           |
| C13  | 37(5)           | 97(7)           | 54(5)           | -25(6)          | 15(4)           | -12(5)          |
| C14  | 84(8)           | 48(5)           | 59(6)           | 17(5)           | 16(5)           | 19(5)           |
| C15  | 62(6)           | 52(5)           | 42(5)           | 12(4)           | 10(4)           | -3(4)           |
| C16  | 68(11)          | 420(40)         | 123(13)         | -47(18)         | 45(10)          | -107(17)        |
| C17  | 120(20)         | 240(30)         | 540(70)         | 140(40)         | -90(30)         | -60(20)         |
| C18  | 160(20)         | 190(20)         | 260(30)         | 90(20)          | -24(19)         | -21(18)         |
| C19  | 39(5)           | 54(5)           | 31(4)           | 2(4)            | 13(3)           | 7(4)            |
| C20  | 36(5)           | 47(5)           | 61(5)           | -9(5)           | 2(4)            | -10(4)          |

|     |         |         |         |          |         |         |
|-----|---------|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| C21 | 27(4)   | 66(5)   | 49(5)   | 3(4)     | 19(4)   | -8(4)   |
| C22 | 36(5)   | 74(6)   | 55(5)   | 8(5)     | 21(4)   | 2(4)    |
| C23 | 56(6)   | 104(8)  | 64(6)   | 15(6)    | 35(5)   | 19(6)   |
| C24 | 115(12) | 147(13) | 98(10)  | 70(10)   | 28(8)   | 60(10)  |
| C25 | 29(4)   | 42(4)   | 44(4)   | -11(4)   | 19(3)   | -7(3)   |
| C26 | 21(4)   | 45(4)   | 48(5)   | -10(4)   | 9(3)    | -6(3)   |
| C27 | 46(5)   | 48(5)   | 32(4)   | 10(4)    | 3(3)    | 9(4)    |
| C28 | 50(7)   | 159(12) | 50(6)   | -26(7)   | 27(5)   | -18(7)  |
| C29 | 37(6)   | 134(10) | 68(6)   | -26(7)   | 31(5)   | -20(6)  |
| C30 | 45(5)   | 48(5)   | 39(5)   | 6(4)     | 7(4)    | 8(4)    |
| C31 | 61(7)   | 94(8)   | 73(7)   | 11(6)    | 31(6)   | 33(6)   |
| C32 | 17(4)   | 65(6)   | 87(7)   | -15(6)   | 12(4)   | 2(4)    |
| C33 | 41(6)   | 85(7)   | 75(7)   | -18(6)   | -1(5)   | 6(5)    |
| C34 | 145(17) | 210(20) | 97(12)  | -89(15)  | -6(11)  | 1(15)   |
| C35 | 210(30) | 121(14) | 113(13) | -28(12)  | 35(14)  | -4(15)  |
| C36 | 134(18) | 124(14) | 230(20) | -9(16)   | -19(16) | -3(13)  |
| N1  | 56(5)   | 42(4)   | 40(4)   | 9(3)     | 9(3)    | 4(3)    |
| N2  | 79(6)   | 52(4)   | 58(5)   | 20(4)    | 23(4)   | 33(4)   |
| N3  | 57(5)   | 36(3)   | 37(4)   | 8(3)     | 8(3)    | 15(3)   |
| N4  | 57(5)   | 55(4)   | 26(3)   | 9(3)     | 16(3)   | 4(3)    |
| N5  | 72(6)   | 64(5)   | 39(4)   | 12(4)    | 24(4)   | 9(4)    |
| N6  | 55(5)   | 55(4)   | 45(4)   | 12(4)    | 11(4)   | 3(4)    |
| N7  | 25(3)   | 45(4)   | 40(3)   | -13(3)   | 5(3)    | -4(3)   |
| N8  | 27(4)   | 45(4)   | 42(4)   | -1(3)    | 6(3)    | -3(3)   |
| N9  | 27(4)   | 60(4)   | 62(4)   | -23(4)   | 4(3)    | -4(3)   |
| N10 | 18(3)   | 56(4)   | 51(4)   | -7(4)    | 16(3)   | -3(3)   |
| N11 | 26(4)   | 48(4)   | 67(5)   | -11(4)   | 3(3)    | -3(3)   |
| N12 | 22(4)   | 66(5)   | 78(5)   | -12(4)   | 25(4)   | 0(3)    |
| Ag1 | 35.9(4) | 74.0(5) | 62.7(4) | -25.1(4) | 16.2(3) | -3.5(3) |
| Ag2 | 34.4(4) | 76.1(5) | 70.5(5) | -18.5(4) | 12.5(3) | 6.0(3)  |
| Ag3 | 79.0(6) | 66.0(4) | 64.4(5) | 17.0(4)  | 36.2(4) | 30.5(4) |
| Ag4 | 73.7(5) | 68.4(4) | 49.1(4) | 2.9(3)   | 22.4(3) | 21.1(4) |
| I1  | 43.6(3) | 54.6(3) | 41.8(3) | -2.3(3)  | 15.8(2) | -0.8(2) |
| I2  | 39.8(3) | 47.4(3) | 54.5(3) | -4.2(3)  | 11.7(2) | 0.4(2)  |
| I3  | 32.2(3) | 51.5(3) | 40.5(3) | -3.0(2)  | 12.5(2) | 3.7(2)  |
| I4  | 48.8(4) | 60.2(4) | 53.0(3) | -12.7(3) | 8.7(3)  | -1.8(3) |

**Table S 22**

Bond Lengths for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**).

| Atom | Atom | Length/Å  | Atom | Atom | Length/Å   |
|------|------|-----------|------|------|------------|
| C1   | N10  | 1.426(10) | C27  | N1   | 1.334(10)  |
| C2   | N5   | 1.279(12) | C27  | N3   | 1.337(10)  |
| C2   | N6   | 1.356(12) | C28  | C29  | 1.371(14)  |
| C3   | C4   | 1.482(12) | C29  | C1   | 1.374(12)  |
| C3   | N6   | 1.483(12) | C30  | N4   | 1.325(10)  |
| C4   | C5   | 1.504(16) | C30  | N6   | 1.351(10)  |
| C5   | C6   | 1.393(18) | C31  | C12  | 1.392(14)  |
| C7   | N7   | 1.326(9)  | C32  | N11  | 1.355(11)  |
| C7   | N8   | 1.349(9)  | C32  | N12  | 1.265(12)  |
| C8   | C9   | 1.382(12) | C33  | C34  | 1.497(14)  |
| C8   | N4   | 1.424(10) | C33  | N11  | 1.458(12)  |
| C9   | C31  | 1.347(14) | C34  | C35  | 1.490(16)  |
| C10  | N10  | 1.344(10) | C35  | C36  | 1.475(16)  |
| C10  | N11  | 1.355(10) | N2   | N3   | 1.374(9)   |
| C11  | C12  | 1.389(12) | N4   | N5   | 1.389(9)   |
| C11  | N3   | 1.443(10) | N7   | N9   | 1.396(9)   |
| C13  | C28  | 1.363(13) | N10  | N12  | 1.404(9)   |
| C14  | N1   | 1.362(12) | Ag1  | C7   | 2.185(7)   |
| C14  | N2   | 1.267(12) | Ag1  | Ag2  | 3.0882(10) |
| C15  | C16  | 1.456(13) | Ag1  | I1   | 2.9400(9)  |
| C15  | N1   | 1.486(11) | Ag1  | I2   | 3.0575(9)  |
| C16  | C17  | 1.548(18) | Ag1  | I3   | 2.8492(7)  |
| C17  | C18  | 1.385(17) | Ag2  | C10  | 2.190(8)   |
| C19  | C8   | 1.389(11) | Ag2  | I1   | 2.9326(9)  |
| C19  | C11  | 1.372(11) | Ag2  | I2   | 2.9479(9)  |
| C20  | N8   | 1.354(10) | Ag2  | I4   | 2.9001(9)  |
| C20  | N9   | 1.317(10) | Ag3  | C27  | 2.189(8)   |
| C21  | C22  | 1.498(10) | Ag3  | Ag4  | 3.0883(10) |
| C21  | N8   | 1.480(9)  | Ag3  | I1   | 2.8580(8)  |
| C22  | C23  | 1.492(12) | Ag3  | I3   | 3.1519(10) |
| C23  | C24  | 1.457(13) | Ag3  | I4   | 2.8799(10) |
| C25  | C1   | 1.385(11) | Ag4  | C30  | 2.189(8)   |
| C25  | C26  | 1.377(11) | Ag4  | I2   | 2.8443(8)  |
| C26  | C13  | 1.379(11) | Ag4  | I3   | 2.9735(9)  |
| C26  | N7   | 1.438(9)  | Ag4  | I4   | 2.9970(10) |

**Table S 23**

Bond Angles for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**).

| Atom | Atom | Atom | Angle/°   | Atom | Atom | Atom | Angle/°    |
|------|------|------|-----------|------|------|------|------------|
| C25  | C1   | N10  | 120.8(7)  | N9   | N7   | C26  | 116.4(6)   |
| C29  | C1   | C25  | 120.9(8)  | C7   | N8   | C20  | 109.8(6)   |
| C29  | C1   | N10  | 118.3(7)  | C7   | N8   | C21  | 124.1(6)   |
| N5   | C2   | N6   | 111.5(8)  | C20  | N8   | C21  | 126.0(6)   |
| C4   | C3   | N6   | 113.1(9)  | C20  | N9   | N7   | 101.3(6)   |
| C3   | C4   | C5   | 115.3(13) | C10  | N10  | C1   | 128.4(6)   |
| C6   | C5   | C4   | 111.1(18) | C10  | N10  | N12  | 113.2(6)   |
| N7   | C7   | N8   | 102.7(6)  | N12  | N10  | C1   | 118.1(6)   |
| N7   | C7   | Ag1  | 130.4(5)  | C10  | N11  | C32  | 108.4(8)   |
| N8   | C7   | Ag1  | 126.8(5)  | C10  | N11  | C33  | 126.2(7)   |
| C9   | C8   | C19  | 121.7(8)  | C32  | N11  | C33  | 125.3(8)   |
| C9   | C8   | N4   | 119.6(7)  | C32  | N12  | N10  | 102.1(7)   |
| C19  | C8   | N4   | 118.7(7)  | C7   | Ag1  | Ag2  | 125.19(19) |
| C31  | C9   | C8   | 119.4(9)  | C7   | Ag1  | I1   | 111.54(19) |
| N10  | C10  | N11  | 102.6(7)  | C7   | Ag1  | I2   | 108.61(19) |
| N10  | C10  | Ag2  | 132.6(5)  | C7   | Ag1  | I3   | 123.15(19) |
| N11  | C10  | Ag2  | 124.7(6)  | I1   | Ag1  | Ag2  | 58.16(2)   |
| C12  | C11  | N3   | 117.7(7)  | I1   | Ag1  | I2   | 115.24(2)  |
| C19  | C11  | C12  | 121.8(8)  | I2   | Ag1  | Ag2  | 57.32(2)   |
| C19  | C11  | N3   | 120.3(7)  | I3   | Ag1  | Ag2  | 111.27(3)  |
| C11  | C12  | C31  | 118.3(9)  | I3   | Ag1  | I1   | 102.47(3)  |
| C28  | C13  | C26  | 118.3(8)  | I3   | Ag1  | I2   | 95.25(2)   |
| N2   | C14  | N1   | 112.4(8)  | C10  | Ag2  | Ag1  | 121.8(2)   |
| C16  | C15  | N1   | 111.5(8)  | C10  | Ag2  | I1   | 109.1(2)   |
| C15  | C16  | C17  | 113.1(14) | C10  | Ag2  | I2   | 106.3(2)   |
| C18  | C17  | C16  | 103.2(18) | C10  | Ag2  | I4   | 127.8(2)   |
| C11  | C19  | C8   | 117.5(8)  | I1   | Ag2  | Ag1  | 58.39(2)   |
| N9   | C20  | N8   | 111.5(7)  | I1   | Ag2  | I2   | 118.95(3)  |
| N8   | C21  | C22  | 113.1(6)  | I2   | Ag2  | Ag1  | 60.81(2)   |
| C23  | C22  | C21  | 115.3(8)  | I4   | Ag2  | Ag1  | 110.35(2)  |
| C24  | C23  | C22  | 114.0(10) | I4   | Ag2  | I1   | 96.24(3)   |
| C26  | C25  | C1   | 118.3(7)  | I4   | Ag2  | I2   | 99.27(3)   |
| C13  | C26  | N7   | 118.8(7)  | C27  | Ag3  | Ag4  | 124.6(2)   |
| C25  | C26  | C13  | 121.7(7)  | C27  | Ag3  | I1   | 123.1(2)   |
| C25  | C26  | N7   | 119.5(6)  | C27  | Ag3  | I3   | 97.8(2)    |
| N1   | C27  | N3   | 102.2(6)  | C27  | Ag3  | I4   | 121.9(2)   |
| N1   | C27  | Ag3  | 126.9(6)  | Ag4  | Ag3  | I3   | 56.91(2)   |
| N3   | C27  | Ag3  | 130.6(6)  | I1   | Ag3  | Ag4  | 109.44(3)  |
| C13  | C28  | C29  | 121.9(9)  | I1   | Ag3  | I3   | 97.25(3)   |
| C28  | C29  | C1   | 118.9(8)  | I1   | Ag3  | I4   | 98.38(3)   |
| N4   | C30  | N6   | 101.7(7)  | I4   | Ag3  | Ag4  | 60.17(2)   |



|     |     |     |           |     |     |     |           |
|-----|-----|-----|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| N4  | C30 | Ag4 | 131.0(6)  | I4  | Ag3 | I3  | 116.86(3) |
| N6  | C30 | Ag4 | 127.1(6)  | C30 | Ag4 | Ag3 | 120.3(2)  |
| C9  | C31 | C12 | 121.2(10) | C30 | Ag4 | I2  | 128.5(2)  |
| N12 | C32 | N11 | 113.7(8)  | C30 | Ag4 | I3  | 107.3(2)  |
| N11 | C33 | C34 | 112.2(9)  | C30 | Ag4 | I4  | 106.6(2)  |
| C35 | C34 | C33 | 120.1(14) | I2  | Ag4 | Ag3 | 111.14(3) |
| C36 | C35 | C34 | 112.4(14) | I2  | Ag4 | I3  | 97.23(3)  |
| C14 | N1  | C15 | 125.1(7)  | I2  | Ag4 | I4  | 99.40(3)  |
| C27 | N1  | C14 | 108.8(7)  | I3  | Ag4 | Ag3 | 62.63(2)  |
| C27 | N1  | C15 | 126.1(7)  | I3  | Ag4 | I4  | 118.88(3) |
| C14 | N2  | N3  | 102.2(7)  | I4  | Ag4 | Ag3 | 56.47(2)  |
| C27 | N3  | C11 | 128.2(6)  | Ag2 | I1  | Ag1 | 63.45(2)  |
| C27 | N3  | N2  | 114.3(7)  | Ag3 | I1  | Ag1 | 76.09(2)  |
| N2  | N3  | C11 | 117.2(6)  | Ag3 | I1  | Ag2 | 75.24(2)  |
| C30 | N4  | C8  | 127.5(6)  | Ag2 | I2  | Ag1 | 61.86(2)  |
| C30 | N4  | N5  | 114.7(7)  | Ag4 | I2  | Ag1 | 74.70(2)  |
| N5  | N4  | C8  | 117.6(6)  | Ag4 | I2  | Ag2 | 74.93(2)  |
| C2  | N5  | N4  | 102.3(7)  | Ag1 | I3  | Ag3 | 72.90(2)  |
| C2  | N6  | C3  | 125.0(8)  | Ag1 | I3  | Ag4 | 75.96(2)  |
| C30 | N6  | C2  | 109.8(7)  | Ag4 | I3  | Ag3 | 60.47(2)  |
| C30 | N6  | C3  | 125.2(7)  | Ag2 | I4  | Ag4 | 73.38(2)  |
| C7  | N7  | C26 | 128.7(6)  | Ag3 | I4  | Ag2 | 75.41(2)  |
| C7  | N7  | N9  | 114.7(6)  | Ag3 | I4  | Ag4 | 63.37(2)  |

**Table S 24**  
Torsion Angles for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**).

| A  | B   | C   | D   | Angle/°    | A   | B   | C   | D   | Angle/°   |
|----|-----|-----|-----|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| C1 | C25 | C26 | C13 | 0.1(12)    | Ag1 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag3 | 81.59(2)  |
| C1 | C25 | C26 | N7  | 179.8(7)   | Ag1 | Ag2 | I2  | Ag4 | -80.45(2) |
| C1 | N10 | N12 | C32 | 175.3(8)   | Ag1 | Ag2 | I4  | Ag3 | -30.31(3) |
| C3 | C4  | C5  | C6  | 86(3)      | Ag1 | Ag2 | I4  | Ag4 | 35.75(3)  |
| C4 | C3  | N6  | C2  | -100.6(12) | Ag2 | C10 | N10 | C1  | 1.4(12)   |
| C4 | C3  | N6  | C30 | 79.8(12)   | Ag2 | C10 | N10 | N12 | 175.7(6)  |
| C7 | N7  | N9  | C20 | -1.0(9)    | Ag2 | C10 | N11 | C32 | -176.1(6) |
| C7 | Ag1 | Ag2 | C10 | 1.2(3)     | Ag2 | C10 | N11 | C33 | 2.9(12)   |
| C7 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I1  | 95.2(2)    | Ag2 | Ag1 | C7  | N7  | -15.7(8)  |
| C7 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I2  | -90.7(2)   | Ag2 | Ag1 | C7  | N8  | 162.9(5)  |
| C7 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I4  | 179.9(2)   | Ag2 | Ag1 | I1  | Ag3 | -80.23(2) |
| C7 | Ag1 | I1  | Ag2 | -119.0(2)  | Ag2 | Ag1 | I2  | Ag4 | 80.83(2)  |

|     |     |     |     |             |     |     |     |     |           |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------|
| C7  | Ag1 | I1  | Ag3 | 160.8(2)    | Ag2 | Ag1 | I3  | Ag3 | 35.49(3)  |
| C7  | Ag1 | I2  | Ag2 | 120.43(19)  | Ag2 | Ag1 | I3  | Ag4 | -27.47(3) |
| C7  | Ag1 | I2  | Ag4 | -158.73(19) | Ag3 | C27 | N1  | C14 | 174.7(7)  |
| C7  | Ag1 | I3  | Ag3 | -151.3(2)   | Ag3 | C27 | N1  | C15 | -5.7(11)  |
| C7  | Ag1 | I3  | Ag4 | 145.7(2)    | Ag3 | C27 | N3  | C11 | -0.8(13)  |
| C8  | C9  | C31 | C12 | 1.6(16)     | Ag3 | C27 | N3  | N2  | -174.8(6) |
| C8  | C19 | C11 | C12 | -0.5(12)    | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30 | N4  | 32.7(9)   |
| C8  | C19 | C11 | N3  | -176.6(7)   | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30 | N6  | -154.1(7) |
| C8  | N4  | N5  | C2  | 176.0(8)    | Ag3 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag1 | -33.59(3) |
| C9  | C8  | N4  | C30 | 134.7(9)    | Ag3 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag2 | 30.78(3)  |
| C9  | C8  | N4  | N5  | -39.4(11)   | Ag3 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag1 | 78.07(2)  |
| C9  | C31 | C12 | C11 | -2.9(16)    | Ag3 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag2 | -81.70(3) |
| C10 | N10 | N12 | C32 | 0.4(9)      | Ag4 | C30 | N4  | C8  | -0.7(13)  |
| C10 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag1 | 116.2(2)    | Ag4 | C30 | N4  | N5  | 173.6(6)  |
| C10 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag3 | -162.2(2)   | Ag4 | C30 | N6  | C2  | -174.5(7) |
| C10 | Ag2 | I2  | Ag1 | -117.8(2)   | Ag4 | C30 | N6  | C3  | 5.1(13)   |
| C10 | Ag2 | I2  | Ag4 | 161.8(2)    | Ag4 | Ag3 | C27 | N1  | 178.2(6)  |
| C10 | Ag2 | I4  | Ag3 | 148.4(3)    | Ag4 | Ag3 | C27 | N3  | -8.1(9)   |
| C10 | Ag2 | I4  | Ag4 | -145.6(3)   | Ag4 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag1 | 33.38(3)  |
| C11 | C19 | C8  | C9  | -0.9(12)    | Ag4 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag2 | -32.36(3) |
| C11 | C19 | C8  | N4  | 178.0(7)    | Ag4 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag1 | -83.25(2) |
| C12 | C11 | N3  | C27 | -140.2(9)   | Ag4 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag2 | 78.46(2)  |
| C12 | C11 | N3  | N2  | 33.6(11)    | I1  | Ag1 | C7  | N7  | 49.7(7)   |
| C13 | C26 | N7  | C7  | -141.9(9)   | I1  | Ag1 | C7  | N8  | -131.6(6) |
| C13 | C26 | N7  | N9  | 33.0(11)    | I1  | Ag1 | Ag2 | C10 | -94.1(3)  |
| C13 | C28 | C29 | C1  | 3(2)        | I1  | Ag1 | Ag2 | I2  | 174.13(3) |
| C14 | N2  | N3  | C11 | -174.3(8)   | I1  | Ag1 | Ag2 | I4  | 84.72(3)  |
| C14 | N2  | N3  | C27 | 0.3(11)     | I1  | Ag1 | I2  | Ag2 | -5.51(2)  |
| C15 | C16 | C17 | C18 | 85(2)       | I1  | Ag1 | I2  | Ag4 | 75.32(3)  |
| C16 | C15 | N1  | C14 | 92.4(16)    | I1  | Ag1 | I3  | Ag3 | -24.92(2) |
| C16 | C15 | N1  | C27 | -87.2(15)   | I1  | Ag1 | I3  | Ag4 | -87.88(3) |
| C19 | C8  | C9  | C31 | 0.3(14)     | I1  | Ag2 | C10 | N10 | -48.4(8)  |
| C19 | C8  | N4  | C30 | -44.2(12)   | I1  | Ag2 | C10 | N11 | 127.0(6)  |
| C19 | C8  | N4  | N5  | 141.6(8)    | I1  | Ag2 | I2  | Ag1 | 5.71(3)   |
| C19 | C11 | C12 | C31 | 2.3(14)     | I1  | Ag2 | I2  | Ag4 | -74.73(3) |
| C19 | C11 | N3  | C27 | 36.1(12)    | I1  | Ag2 | I4  | Ag3 | 28.24(2)  |
| C19 | C11 | N3  | N2  | -150.1(8)   | I1  | Ag2 | I4  | Ag4 | 94.30(2)  |
| C21 | C22 | C23 | C24 | 176.7(9)    | I1  | Ag3 | C27 | N1  | -23.0(8)  |
| C22 | C21 | N8  | C7  | 86.7(9)     | I1  | Ag3 | C27 | N3  | 150.7(7)  |
| C22 | C21 | N8  | C20 | -87.7(10)   | I1  | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30 | 179.1(3)  |
| C25 | C1  | N10 | C10 | -33.9(12)   | I1  | Ag3 | Ag4 | I2  | 1.26(5)   |
| C25 | C1  | N10 | N12 | 152.0(7)    | I1  | Ag3 | Ag4 | I3  | -85.98(3) |

|     |     |     |     |            |    |     |     |     |            |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| C25 | C26 | C13 | C28 | 2.5(15)    | I1 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I4  | 88.61(3)   |
| C25 | C26 | N7  | C7  | 38.4(12)   | I1 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag1 | 25.25(2)   |
| C25 | C26 | N7  | N9  | -146.7(7)  | I1 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag4 | 108.51(3)  |
| C26 | C13 | C28 | C29 | -4.3(19)   | I1 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag2 | -29.20(3)  |
| C26 | C25 | C1  | C29 | -1.0(13)   | I1 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag4 | -107.65(3) |
| C26 | C25 | C1  | N10 | 177.4(7)   | I2 | Ag1 | C7  | N7  | -78.3(7)   |
| C26 | N7  | N9  | C20 | -176.7(7)  | I2 | Ag1 | C7  | N8  | 100.3(6)   |
| C27 | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30 | -19.6(4)   | I2 | Ag1 | Ag2 | C10 | 91.8(3)    |
| C27 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I2  | 162.5(3)   | I2 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I1  | -174.13(3) |
| C27 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I3  | 75.3(3)    | I2 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I4  | -89.41(3)  |
| C27 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I4  | -110.2(3)  | I2 | Ag1 | I1  | Ag2 | 5.46(2)    |
| C27 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag1 | -128.2(3)  | I2 | Ag1 | I1  | Ag3 | -74.77(3)  |
| C27 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag2 | 166.0(3)   | I2 | Ag1 | I3  | Ag3 | 92.40(2)   |
| C27 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag1 | 150.2(2)   | I2 | Ag1 | I3  | Ag4 | 29.44(2)   |
| C27 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag4 | -126.6(2)  | I2 | Ag2 | C10 | N10 | 81.0(8)    |
| C27 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag2 | -167.1(2)  | I2 | Ag2 | C10 | N11 | -103.5(7)  |
| C27 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag4 | 114.5(2)   | I2 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag1 | -5.86(3)   |
| C28 | C29 | C1  | C25 | -0.7(17)   | I2 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag3 | 75.73(3)   |
| C28 | C29 | C1  | N10 | -179.2(10) | I2 | Ag2 | I4  | Ag3 | -92.51(3)  |
| C29 | C1  | N10 | C10 | 144.6(9)   | I2 | Ag2 | I4  | Ag4 | -26.44(2)  |
| C29 | C1  | N10 | N12 | -29.5(12)  | I2 | Ag4 | C30 | N4  | -149.9(7)  |
| C30 | N4  | N5  | C2  | 1.1(10)    | I2 | Ag4 | C30 | N6  | 23.4(9)    |
| C30 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag1 | 148.8(3)   | I2 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag1 | -32.03(2)  |
| C30 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag2 | -146.9(3)  | I2 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag3 | -110.10(3) |
| C30 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag1 | -166.2(2)  | I2 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag2 | 27.50(3)   |
| C30 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag3 | 115.7(2)   | I2 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag3 | 109.20(3)  |
| C30 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag2 | 162.6(2)   | I3 | Ag1 | C7  | N7  | 172.1(6)   |
| C30 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag3 | -115.7(2)  | I3 | Ag1 | C7  | N8  | -9.3(7)    |
| C33 | C34 | C35 | C36 | 62(2)      | I3 | Ag1 | Ag2 | C10 | 174.2(3)   |
| C34 | C33 | N11 | C10 | 90.9(12)   | I3 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I1  | -91.77(3)  |
| C34 | C33 | N11 | C32 | -90.1(13)  | I3 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I2  | 82.36(3)   |
| N1  | C14 | N2  | N3  | -0.6(11)   | I3 | Ag1 | Ag2 | I4  | -7.05(4)   |
| N1  | C15 | C16 | C17 | 168.4(15)  | I3 | Ag1 | I1  | Ag2 | 107.46(3)  |
| N1  | C27 | N3  | C11 | 174.0(7)   | I3 | Ag1 | I1  | Ag3 | 27.23(3)   |
| N1  | C27 | N3  | N2  | 0.1(9)     | I3 | Ag1 | I2  | Ag2 | -111.95(3) |
| N2  | C14 | N1  | C15 | -178.9(8)  | I3 | Ag1 | I2  | Ag4 | -31.12(2)  |
| N2  | C14 | N1  | C27 | 0.7(12)    | I3 | Ag3 | C27 | N1  | -127.0(7)  |
| N3  | C11 | C12 | C31 | 178.5(8)   | I3 | Ag3 | C27 | N3  | 46.7(8)    |
| N3  | C27 | N1  | C14 | -0.4(9)    | I3 | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30 | -94.9(3)   |
| N3  | C27 | N1  | C15 | 179.2(8)   | I3 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I2  | 87.23(3)   |
| N4  | C8  | C9  | C31 | -178.6(9)  | I3 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I4  | 174.59(3)  |
| N4  | C30 | N6  | C2  | 0.3(10)    | I3 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag1 | -24.02(2)  |

|     |     |     |     |            |    |     |     |     |            |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| N4  | C30 | N6  | C3  | 179.9(8)   | I3 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag2 | -89.76(2)  |
| N5  | C2  | N6  | C3  | -179.3(8)  | I3 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag2 | 73.38(3)   |
| N5  | C2  | N6  | C30 | 0.4(12)    | I3 | Ag3 | I4  | Ag4 | -5.08(2)   |
| N6  | C2  | N5  | N4  | -0.8(11)   | I3 | Ag4 | C30 | N4  | -35.3(9)   |
| N6  | C3  | C4  | C5  | 169.0(13)  | I3 | Ag4 | C30 | N6  | 138.0(7)   |
| N6  | C30 | N4  | C8  | -175.2(8)  | I3 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag1 | 29.81(2)   |
| N6  | C30 | N4  | N5  | -0.9(10)   | I3 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag2 | 94.17(2)   |
| N7  | C7  | N8  | C20 | -0.8(8)    | I3 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag2 | -76.21(3)  |
| N7  | C7  | N8  | C21 | -176.0(7)  | I3 | Ag4 | I4  | Ag3 | 5.49(3)    |
| N7  | C26 | C13 | C28 | -177.2(10) | I4 | Ag2 | C10 | N10 | -162.9(6)  |
| N8  | C7  | N7  | C26 | 176.2(7)   | I4 | Ag2 | C10 | N11 | 12.5(8)    |
| N8  | C7  | N7  | N9  | 1.2(8)     | I4 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag1 | -110.08(3) |
| N8  | C20 | N9  | N7  | 0.4(9)     | I4 | Ag2 | I1  | Ag3 | -28.50(3)  |
| N8  | C21 | C22 | C23 | 71.4(9)    | I4 | Ag2 | I2  | Ag1 | 108.20(3)  |
| N9  | C20 | N8  | C7  | 0.2(9)     | I4 | Ag2 | I2  | Ag4 | 27.75(3)   |
| N9  | C20 | N8  | C21 | 175.3(7)   | I4 | Ag3 | C27 | N1  | 104.6(6)   |
| N10 | C10 | N11 | C32 | 0.4(9)     | I4 | Ag3 | C27 | N3  | -81.7(8)   |
| N10 | C10 | N11 | C33 | 179.5(8)   | I4 | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30 | 90.5(3)    |
| N11 | C10 | N10 | C1  | -174.8(7)  | I4 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I2  | -87.35(3)  |
| N11 | C10 | N10 | N12 | -0.5(9)    | I4 | Ag3 | Ag4 | I3  | -174.59(3) |
| N11 | C32 | N12 | N10 | -0.1(10)   | I4 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag1 | 94.61(3)   |
| N11 | C33 | C34 | C35 | 73.0(16)   | I4 | Ag3 | I1  | Ag2 | 28.87(3)   |
| N12 | C32 | N11 | C10 | -0.2(11)   | I4 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag1 | -77.99(3)  |
| N12 | C32 | N11 | C33 | -179.3(9)  | I4 | Ag3 | I3  | Ag4 | 5.26(2)    |
| Ag1 | C7  | N7  | C26 | -5.0(12)   | I4 | Ag4 | C30 | N4  | 93.1(8)    |
| Ag1 | C7  | N7  | N9  | -180.0(5)  | I4 | Ag4 | C30 | N6  | -93.7(7)   |
| Ag1 | C7  | N8  | C20 | -179.8(6)  | I4 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag1 | -91.15(2)  |
| Ag1 | C7  | N8  | C21 | 5.1(10)    | I4 | Ag4 | I2  | Ag2 | -26.79(2)  |
| Ag1 | Ag2 | C10 | N10 | 15.6(9)    | I4 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag1 | 72.92(3)   |
| Ag1 | Ag2 | C10 | N11 | -168.9(6)  | I4 | Ag4 | I3  | Ag3 | -5.15(2)   |

**Table S 25**  
Hydrogen Atom Coordinates ( $\text{\AA}\times 10^4$ ) and Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2\times 10^3$ ) for Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**).

| Atom | x    | y    | z    | U(eq) |
|------|------|------|------|-------|
| H2   | 6212 | 7375 | 3822 | 75    |
| H3A  | 7418 | 6331 | 3497 | 80    |
| H3B  | 7442 | 6307 | 2845 | 80    |
| H4A  | 8805 | 7334 | 3596 | 135   |
| H4B  | 8910 | 7145 | 2970 | 135   |

|      |       |       |       |     |
|------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| H5A  | 10268 | 6551  | 3777  | 257 |
| H5B  | 9303  | 5937  | 3771  | 257 |
| H6A  | 9394  | 5506  | 2951  | 512 |
| H6B  | 10665 | 5680  | 3225  | 512 |
| H6C  | 9964  | 6269  | 2786  | 512 |
| H7   | 6272  | 9118  | 1953  | 49  |
| H9   | 3537  | 8502  | 2557  | 73  |
| H10  | 2460  | 9356  | 1944  | 88  |
| H12  | 3229  | 10060 | 1289  | 75  |
| H14  | 5175  | 11480 | 401   | 77  |
| H15A | 6938  | 10033 | -51   | 63  |
| H15B | 6439  | 10866 | -222  | 63  |
| H16A | 8204  | 10639 | 717   | 241 |
| H16B | 7791  | 11441 | 432   | 241 |
| H17A | 9544  | 10858 | 197   | 388 |
| H17B | 8686  | 10345 | -245  | 388 |
| H18A | 7726  | 11513 | -520  | 317 |
| H18B | 8873  | 11402 | -713  | 317 |
| H18C | 8820  | 11934 | -186  | 317 |
| H20  | 4479  | 4873  | -1188 | 59  |
| H21A | 4248  | 6040  | 37    | 54  |
| H21B | 3525  | 5458  | -399  | 54  |
| H22A | 2869  | 6770  | -481  | 64  |
| H22B | 3954  | 6992  | -702  | 64  |
| H23A | 3362  | 6234  | -1506 | 86  |
| H23B | 2302  | 5963  | -1281 | 86  |
| H24A | 1549  | 7168  | -1404 | 179 |
| H24B | 1882  | 6918  | -1977 | 179 |
| H24C | 2650  | 7501  | -1560 | 179 |
| H25  | 8421  | 5963  | 124   | 44  |
| H27  | 7633  | 5685  | -1583 | 74  |
| H28  | 9507  | 5819  | -1604 | 101 |
| H29  | 10822 | 6139  | -794  | 92  |
| H32  | 12999 | 6328  | 859   | 67  |
| H33A | 11391 | 7587  | 1569  | 83  |
| H33B | 12647 | 7355  | 1581  | 83  |
| H34A | 11930 | 6955  | 2388  | 187 |
| H34B | 11166 | 6362  | 1986  | 187 |
| H35A | 12629 | 5709  | 2531  | 178 |
| H35B | 12744 | 5661  | 1892  | 178 |
| H36A | 14091 | 6632  | 2057  | 260 |
| H36B | 14466 | 5934  | 2480  | 260 |

H36C 13966 6694 2695 260

## Experimental

Single crystals of  $C_{36}H_{48}Ag_4I_4N_{12}$  [bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**)] were [Crystallized Via Slow Vapor Diffusion of MeOH into a Saturated Solution of DMSO]. A suitable crystal was selected and [Mounted on a 1.0mm Cryoloop] on a Bruker Smart APEX II diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100K K during data collection. Using Olex2 [1], the structure was solved with the ShelXS [2] structure solution program using Direct Methods and refined with the ShelXL [3] refinement package using CGLS minimisation.

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Crystal structure determination of [bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3d**)]

**Crystal Data** for  $C_{36}H_{48}Ag_4I_4N_{12}$  ( $M = 1587.94$ ): monoclinic, space group  $P2_1/c$  (no. 14),  $a = 12.1183(2)$  Å,  $b = 17.1196(3)$  Å,  $c = 23.9166(4)$  Å,  $\beta = 102.4310(10)^\circ$ ,  $V = 4845.43(14)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ,  $T = 100$  K,  $\mu(\text{CuK}\alpha) = 33.099$  mm<sup>-1</sup>,  $D_{\text{calc}} = 2.177$  g/mm<sup>3</sup>, 37413 reflections measured ( $6.4 \leq 2\theta \leq 134.8$ ), 7895 unique ( $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0723$ ) which were used in all calculations. The final  $R_1$  was 0.0480 ( $>2\sigma(I)$ ) and  $wR_2$  was 0.1325 (all data).

This report has been created with Olex2, compiled on 2012.11.06 svn.r2526. Please let us know if there are any errors or if you would like to have additional features.

Crystallographic Report for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e)

**Table S 26**

Crystal data and structure refinement for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e)

|                                             |                                                                                                                       |
|---------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Identification code                         | bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e) |
| Empirical formula                           | C <sub>36</sub> H <sub>46</sub> Ag <sub>4</sub> Br <sub>4</sub> N <sub>12</sub>                                       |
| Formula weight                              | 1397.97                                                                                                               |
| Temperature/K                               | 100K                                                                                                                  |
| Crystal system                              | orthorhombic                                                                                                          |
| Space group                                 | P2 <sub>1</sub> cn                                                                                                    |
| a/Å                                         | 16.1580(4)                                                                                                            |
| b/Å                                         | 16.9023(4)                                                                                                            |
| c/Å                                         | 17.5083(4)                                                                                                            |
| $\alpha$ /°                                 | 90.00                                                                                                                 |
| $\beta$ /°                                  | 90.00                                                                                                                 |
| $\gamma$ /°                                 | 90.00                                                                                                                 |
| Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>                       | 4781.6(2)                                                                                                             |
| Z                                           | 4                                                                                                                     |
| $\rho_{\text{calc}}$ /mg/mm <sup>3</sup>    | 1.942                                                                                                                 |
| m/mm <sup>-1</sup>                          | 17.178                                                                                                                |
| F(000)                                      | 2696.0                                                                                                                |
| Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>                | 0.18 × 0.14 × 0.06                                                                                                    |
| 2 $\theta$ range for data collection        | 7.26 to 138.98°                                                                                                       |
| Index ranges                                | -19 ≤ h ≤ 16, -20 ≤ k ≤ 20, -21 ≤ l ≤ 21                                                                              |
| Reflections collected                       | 40231                                                                                                                 |
| Independent reflections                     | 7437[R(int) = 0.0697]                                                                                                 |
| Data/restraints/parameters                  | 7437/31/509                                                                                                           |
| Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup>           | 1.035                                                                                                                 |
| Final R indexes [I ≥ 2 $\sigma$ (I)]        | R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0453, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1162                                                                     |
| Final R indexes [all data]                  | R <sub>1</sub> = 0.0574, wR <sub>2</sub> = 0.1258                                                                     |
| Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å <sup>-3</sup> | 0.93/-0.64                                                                                                            |
| Flack parameter                             | 0.008(9)                                                                                                              |

**Table S 27**

Fractional Atomic Coordinates (×10<sup>4</sup>) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>×10<sup>3</sup>) for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e). U<sub>eq</sub> is defined as 1/3 of the trace of the orthogonalised U<sub>ij</sub> tensor.

| Atom | x         | y          | z         | U(eq)    |
|------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------|
| C17  | 3395(8)   | 8014(7)    | 7274(6)   | 87(3)    |
| C18  | 3884(16)  | 8703(14)   | 7489(10)  | 168(11)  |
| C19  | 4430(30)  | 8670(20)   | 8112(19)  | 300(30)  |
| C20  | 4930(20)  | 9323(19)   | 8203(18)  | 260(20)  |
| C21' | 3365(8)   | 11964(7)   | 7672(7)   | 89(4)    |
| C22' | 3824(13)  | 11271(11)  | 7411(10)  | 140(8)   |
| C23' | 4368(19)  | 11410(20)  | 6779(17)  | 250(20)  |
| C24' | 5054(17)  | 10959(19)  | 6670(20)  | 245(19)  |
| C17' | -1484(9)  | 9336(10)   | 5507(10)  | 118(5)   |
| C18' | -2293(15) | 9467(15)   | 5887(19)  | 215(16)  |
| C19' | -2682(19) | 8745(18)   | 6130(30)  | 340(30)  |
| C20' | -3415(18) | 8870(30)   | 6500(30)  | 480(50)  |
| C21  | -1621(8)  | 10225(7)   | 9657(7)   | 92(4)    |
| C22  | -2220(10) | 10173(9)   | 9033(11)  | 118(5)   |
| C23  | -2567(16) | 10959(12)  | 8852(18)  | 195(14)  |
| C24  | -3170(20) | 10950(20)  | 8310(20)  | 320(30)  |
| Ag2  | 1571.5(6) | 8916.3(6)  | 7770.8(5) | 93.2(3)  |
| Ag1  | 209.3(7)  | 9776.1(5)  | 8741.7(7) | 103.1(4) |
| Ag3  | 73.0(6)   | 10122.0(5) | 6619.7(5) | 86.2(3)  |
| Ag4  | 1354.8(7) | 11211.0(5) | 7483.1(4) | 83.8(3)  |
| Br1  | -122.6(8) | 8755.5(6)  | 7411.4(6) | 71.0(3)  |
| Br2  | 1766.0(7) | 10277.5(6) | 8733.8(5) | 70.5(3)  |
| Br3  | -238.0(7) | 11105.8(6) | 7891.6(6) | 70.1(3)  |
| Br4  | 1794.5(7) | 9834.2(6)  | 6523.3(5) | 65.1(2)  |
| N1   | 2140(6)   | 7446(5)    | 8840(5)   | 69(2)    |
| N2   | 2732(8)   | 6867(7)    | 8892(6)   | 104(4)   |
| C3   | 3227(10)  | 7040(9)    | 8336(9)   | 114(6)   |
| N4   | 2945(6)   | 7652(5)    | 7917(4)   | 72(2)    |
| C10  | 2233(6)   | 7927(5)    | 8247(5)   | 65(2)    |
| C6   | 1517(7)   | 7462(6)    | 9408(6)   | 70(2)    |
| C16  | 860(7)    | 7960(6)    | 9383(5)   | 68(2)    |
| C8   | 295(7)    | 7980(6)    | 9980(6)   | 74(3)    |
| C9   | 355(12)   | 7462(9)    | 10554(8)  | 117(6)   |
| C5   | 989(15)   | 6957(14)   | 10576(12) | 217(16)  |
| C11  | 1579(12)  | 6965(9)    | 10008(8)  | 141(9)   |
| N12  | -398(6)   | 8509(6)    | 9975(5)   | 79(2)    |
| N13  | -1073(7)  | 8283(9)    | 10428(7)  | 117(5)   |
| C14  | -1511(11) | 8874(11)   | 10358(9)  | 145(9)   |
| N15  | -1233(7)  | 9433(7)    | 9856(6)   | 96(3)    |
| C7   | -482(6)   | 9200(6)    | 9609(5)   | 67(2)    |
| N1'  | -479(6)   | 11155(6)   | 5152(4)   | 74(2)    |



|      |           |           |          |        |
|------|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|
| N2'  | -1029(8)  | 11136(8)  | 4544(6)  | 101(3) |
| C3'  | -1392(10) | 10504(11) | 4607(9)  | 114(5) |
| N4'  | -1136(7)  | 10078(7)  | 5252(6)  | 90(3)  |
| C27  | -537(6)   | 10512(7)  | 5592(5)  | 68(2)  |
| C6'  | 37(7)     | 11818(6)  | 5231(6)  | 70(2)  |
| C7'  | 721(7)    | 11819(6)  | 5701(6)  | 72(3)  |
| C8'  | 1209(8)   | 12484(6)  | 5756(6)  | 77(3)  |
| C9'  | 1054(11)  | 13143(8)  | 5322(8)  | 104(5) |
| C10' | 393(12)   | 13130(9)  | 4858(9)  | 120(6) |
| C11' | -138(11)  | 12497(8)  | 4802(9)  | 111(5) |
| N12' | 1923(7)   | 12484(5)  | 6227(5)  | 85(3)  |
| N13' | 2569(9)   | 12977(8)  | 6017(8)  | 135(6) |
| C14' | 3108(11)  | 12838(11) | 6569(10) | 133(7) |
| N15' | 2861(8)   | 12273(6)  | 7069(6)  | 92(3)  |
| C30  | 2086(7)   | 12058(6)  | 6868(5)  | 69(2)  |

**Table S 28**

Anisotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e). The Anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:  $-2\pi^2[h^2a^{*2}U_{11}+...+2hka \times b \times U_{12}]$

| Atom | U <sub>11</sub> | U <sub>22</sub> | U <sub>33</sub> | U <sub>23</sub> | U <sub>13</sub> | U <sub>12</sub> |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| C17  | 88(8)           | 92(8)           | 82(6)           | 19(5)           | 30(6)           | 32(7)           |
| C18  | 180(20)         | 210(20)         | 112(12)         | 52(14)          | -10(13)         | -90(20)         |
| C19  | 350(60)         | 310(50)         | 230(30)         | 100(30)         | -130(40)        | -210(40)        |
| C20  | 270(50)         | 300(50)         | 200(30)         | 70(30)          | -30(30)         | -90(40)         |
| C21' | 80(8)           | 89(8)           | 99(7)           | 18(6)           | -31(6)          | -25(7)          |
| C22' | 144(18)         | 140(15)         | 137(14)         | 8(12)           | -66(14)         | 4(14)           |
| C23' | 170(30)         | 340(50)         | 230(40)         | -50(40)         | 40(30)          | 80(30)          |
| C24' | 160(30)         | 270(40)         | 310(50)         | 110(30)         | 20(30)          | -40(30)         |
| C17' | 96(11)          | 128(12)         | 131(12)         | 1(10)           | -32(9)          | -40(10)         |
| C18' | 140(20)         | 220(30)         | 280(40)         | 110(30)         | 10(20)          | -40(20)         |
| C19' | 150(30)         | 360(60)         | 520(90)         | 210(60)         | 60(40)          | 0(40)           |
| C20' | 100(20)         | 910(150)        | 420(80)         | 90(90)          | -10(40)         | -30(50)         |
| C21  | 80(8)           | 99(8)           | 98(7)           | 18(6)           | 26(7)           | 30(7)           |
| C22  | 70(8)           | 125(12)         | 160(16)         | 12(10)          | -7(9)           | 4(8)            |
| C23  | 160(20)         | 126(16)         | 300(40)         | 50(20)          | -50(20)         | 54(16)          |
| C24  | 140(30)         | 260(40)         | 550(80)         | 120(50)         | -100(40)        | 30(30)          |
| Ag2  | 94.5(7)         | 89.7(5)         | 95.5(5)         | 36.7(4)         | 33.3(5)         | 39.0(5)         |
| Ag1  | 105.8(8)        | 68.0(4)         | 135.7(8)        | 22.0(4)         | 65.1(7)         | 14.3(5)         |
| Ag3  | 91.0(6)         | 86.1(5)         | 81.4(4)         | 16.1(4)         | -28.7(4)        | -20.8(5)        |
| Ag4  | 94.2(6)         | 89.0(5)         | 68.2(3)         | 15.8(3)         | -10.0(4)        | -30.5(5)        |

|      |         |         |         |         |          |          |
|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| Br1  | 71.8(7) | 66.7(5) | 74.7(5) | 0.7(4)  | 7.2(5)   | -18.5(5) |
| Br2  | 67.9(6) | 77.4(6) | 66.4(5) | 10.4(4) | -16.5(5) | -10.9(5) |
| Br3  | 67.3(6) | 71.8(6) | 71.1(5) | 2.4(4)  | -1.8(4)  | 19.2(5)  |
| Br4  | 63.8(5) | 64.2(5) | 67.1(4) | 8.7(3)  | 17.9(4)  | 4.7(4)   |
| N1   | 79(5)   | 55(4)   | 74(4)   | 15(3)   | 10(4)    | 22(4)    |
| N2   | 111(8)  | 106(7)  | 96(6)   | 32(6)   | 36(6)    | 62(7)    |
| C3   | 110(11) | 106(9)  | 126(10) | 61(8)   | 57(9)    | 56(8)    |
| N4   | 78(5)   | 71(5)   | 66(4)   | 12(3)   | 21(4)    | 29(4)    |
| C10  | 66(6)   | 58(5)   | 70(5)   | 9(4)    | 12(4)    | 12(4)    |
| C6   | 74(7)   | 62(5)   | 74(5)   | 14(4)   | 20(5)    | 11(5)    |
| C16  | 75(6)   | 77(6)   | 52(4)   | 25(4)   | 12(4)    | 11(5)    |
| C8   | 66(6)   | 82(6)   | 73(5)   | 24(4)   | 23(5)    | 9(5)     |
| C9   | 137(13) | 120(11) | 96(9)   | 52(8)   | 56(9)    | 32(10)   |
| C5   | 240(30) | 220(20) | 190(20) | 152(19) | 150(20)  | 140(20)  |
| C11  | 162(17) | 129(12) | 133(11) | 79(10)  | 75(12)   | 92(13)   |
| N12  | 69(5)   | 89(6)   | 78(5)   | 24(4)   | 32(4)    | 13(5)    |
| N13  | 79(7)   | 166(12) | 107(8)  | 62(8)   | 45(6)    | 41(8)    |
| C14  | 135(14) | 169(15) | 133(12) | 75(11)  | 91(11)   | 81(13)   |
| N15  | 77(6)   | 114(8)  | 97(7)   | 31(6)   | 32(5)    | 23(6)    |
| C7   | 58(5)   | 86(6)   | 56(4)   | 1(4)    | 14(4)    | 1(5)     |
| N1'  | 65(5)   | 111(7)  | 47(3)   | 2(4)    | -20(3)   | 0(5)     |
| N2'  | 92(8)   | 132(9)  | 79(6)   | 8(6)    | -39(6)   | -5(7)    |
| C3'  | 86(9)   | 157(14) | 100(9)  | 2(9)    | -44(8)   | -14(10)  |
| N4'  | 75(6)   | 121(8)  | 75(5)   | -14(5)  | -17(5)   | -18(6)   |
| C27  | 56(5)   | 92(7)   | 56(4)   | -7(4)   | -8(4)    | -6(5)    |
| C6'  | 65(6)   | 75(6)   | 69(5)   | 7(4)    | -19(4)   | 5(5)     |
| C7'  | 80(7)   | 71(6)   | 64(5)   | 19(4)   | -23(4)   | -8(5)    |
| C8'  | 93(8)   | 63(5)   | 74(5)   | 21(4)   | -21(5)   | -7(5)    |
| C9'  | 134(13) | 78(7)   | 101(8)  | 30(6)   | -36(9)   | -13(8)   |
| C10' | 149(14) | 92(9)   | 118(10) | 49(8)   | -51(11)  | -19(10)  |
| C11' | 116(12) | 94(9)   | 124(10) | 39(8)   | -47(9)   | 15(8)    |
| N12' | 89(7)   | 75(5)   | 90(6)   | 41(4)   | -28(5)   | -25(5)   |
| N13' | 112(9)  | 140(10) | 152(11) | 86(9)   | -62(9)   | -75(9)   |
| C14' | 127(13) | 131(12) | 141(12) | 64(10)  | -53(11)  | -77(11)  |
| N15' | 106(8)  | 79(6)   | 92(6)   | 25(5)   | -43(6)   | -34(6)   |
| C30  | 78(6)   | 62(5)   | 68(5)   | 13(4)   | -15(5)   | -19(5)   |

**Table S 29**

Bond Lengths for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e).

| Atom | Atom | Length/Å   | Atom | Atom | Length/Å  |
|------|------|------------|------|------|-----------|
| C17  | C18  | 1.456(19)  | N1   | C10  | 1.326(12) |
| C17  | N4   | 1.473(13)  | N1   | C6   | 1.416(12) |
| C18  | C19  | 1.41(2)    | N2   | C3   | 1.293(16) |
| C19  | C20  | 1.38(3)    | C3   | N4   | 1.348(14) |
| C21' | C22' | 1.460(18)  | N4   | C10  | 1.368(12) |
| C21' | N15' | 1.433(14)  | C6   | C16  | 1.356(14) |
| C22' | C23' | 1.43(2)    | C6   | C11  | 1.348(15) |
| C23' | C24' | 1.36(3)    | C16  | C8   | 1.388(13) |
| C17' | C18' | 1.48(2)    | C8   | C9   | 1.337(15) |
| C17' | N4'  | 1.447(19)  | C8   | N12  | 1.432(14) |
| C18' | C19' | 1.44(2)    | C9   | C5   | 1.33(2)   |
| C19' | C20' | 1.37(3)    | C5   | C11  | 1.38(2)   |
| C21  | C22  | 1.461(18)  | N12  | N13  | 1.402(13) |
| C21  | N15  | 1.520(15)  | N12  | C7   | 1.340(14) |
| C22  | C23  | 1.478(19)  | N13  | C14  | 1.229(18) |
| C23  | C24  | 1.37(3)    | C14  | N15  | 1.366(17) |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | 3.1379(12) | N15  | C7   | 1.347(15) |
| Ag2  | Br1  | 2.8218(17) | N1'  | N2'  | 1.388(12) |
| Ag2  | Br2  | 2.8697(16) | N1'  | C27  | 1.334(14) |
| Ag2  | Br4  | 2.7032(11) | N1'  | C6'  | 1.403(14) |
| Ag2  | C10  | 2.153(9)   | N2'  | C3'  | 1.223(19) |
| Ag1  | Br1  | 2.9475(16) | C3'  | N4'  | 1.402(18) |
| Ag1  | Br2  | 2.6543(15) | N4'  | C27  | 1.352(13) |
| Ag1  | Br3  | 2.7908(14) | C6'  | C7'  | 1.379(13) |
| Ag1  | C7   | 2.122(9)   | C6'  | C11' | 1.401(15) |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | 3.1564(12) | C7'  | C8'  | 1.376(15) |
| Ag3  | Br1  | 2.7121(13) | C8'  | C9'  | 1.372(15) |
| Ag3  | Br3  | 2.8243(14) | C8'  | N12' | 1.419(15) |
| Ag3  | Br4  | 2.8287(14) | C9'  | C10' | 1.34(2)   |
| Ag3  | C27  | 2.156(9)   | C10' | C11' | 1.37(2)   |
| Ag4  | Br2  | 2.7795(12) | N12' | N13' | 1.385(14) |
| Ag4  | Br3  | 2.6770(16) | N12' | C30  | 1.358(12) |
| Ag4  | Br4  | 2.9571(14) | N13' | C14' | 1.323(19) |
| Ag4  | C30  | 2.147(10)  | C14' | N15' | 1.356(16) |
| N1   | N2   | 1.371(12)  | N15' | C30  | 1.350(15) |

**Table S 30**

Bond Angles for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e).

| Atom | Atom | Atom | Angle/°   | Atom | Atom | Atom | Angle/°   |
|------|------|------|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| C18  | C17  | N4   | 113.8(12) | N2   | N1   | C6   | 117.5(8)  |
| C19  | C18  | C17  | 120.6(19) | C10  | N1   | N2   | 114.3(9)  |
| C20  | C19  | C18  | 115(2)    | C10  | N1   | C6   | 128.2(8)  |
| N15' | C21' | C22' | 110.5(12) | C3   | N2   | N1   | 102.7(9)  |
| C23' | C22' | C21' | 114.8(18) | N2   | C3   | N4   | 111.9(11) |
| C24' | C23' | C22' | 121(3)    | C3   | N4   | C17  | 124.6(10) |
| N4'  | C17' | C18' | 110.6(15) | C3   | N4   | C10  | 108.4(9)  |
| C19' | C18' | C17' | 113(2)    | C10  | N4   | C17  | 126.6(8)  |
| C20' | C19' | C18' | 113(3)    | N1   | C10  | Ag2  | 136.3(7)  |
| C22  | C21  | N15  | 113.1(12) | N1   | C10  | N4   | 102.6(8)  |
| C21  | C22  | C23  | 111.0(15) | N4   | C10  | Ag2  | 121.1(6)  |
| C24  | C23  | C22  | 115(2)    | C16  | C6   | N1   | 123.1(8)  |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Ag1  | 59.00(4)  | C11  | C6   | N1   | 118.9(10) |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Br2  | 108.33(4) | C11  | C6   | C16  | 118.1(10) |
| Br2  | Ag2  | Ag1  | 52.21(4)  | C6   | C16  | C8   | 120.4(8)  |
| Br4  | Ag2  | Ag1  | 105.39(4) | C16  | C8   | N12  | 121.6(8)  |
| Br4  | Ag2  | Br1  | 90.25(4)  | C9   | C8   | C16  | 120.1(11) |
| Br4  | Ag2  | Br2  | 90.00(4)  | C9   | C8   | N12  | 118.1(10) |
| C10  | Ag2  | Ag1  | 119.9(2)  | C8   | C9   | C5   | 119.8(13) |
| C10  | Ag2  | Br1  | 119.5(3)  | C9   | C5   | C11  | 120.3(12) |
| C10  | Ag2  | Br2  | 109.9(3)  | C6   | C11  | C5   | 121.1(13) |
| C10  | Ag2  | Br4  | 133.9(2)  | N13  | N12  | C8   | 115.8(9)  |
| Br1  | Ag1  | Ag2  | 55.14(4)  | C7   | N12  | C8   | 128.9(8)  |
| Br2  | Ag1  | Ag2  | 58.69(4)  | C7   | N12  | N13  | 115.3(9)  |
| Br2  | Ag1  | Br1  | 110.80(4) | C14  | N13  | N12  | 99.9(11)  |
| Br2  | Ag1  | Br3  | 89.17(4)  | N13  | C14  | N15  | 115.9(12) |
| Br3  | Ag1  | Ag2  | 105.41(4) | C14  | N15  | C21  | 128.5(11) |
| Br3  | Ag1  | Br1  | 90.16(5)  | C7   | N15  | C21  | 123.7(10) |
| C7   | Ag1  | Ag2  | 123.0(3)  | C7   | N15  | C14  | 107.5(11) |
| C7   | Ag1  | Br1  | 101.6(3)  | N12  | C7   | Ag1  | 133.5(7)  |
| C7   | Ag1  | Br2  | 130.5(3)  | N12  | C7   | N15  | 101.1(9)  |
| C7   | Ag1  | Br3  | 127.9(3)  | N15  | C7   | Ag1  | 124.8(8)  |
| Br1  | Ag3  | Ag4  | 109.17(4) | N2'  | N1'  | C6'  | 118.3(10) |
| Br1  | Ag3  | Br3  | 94.45(4)  | C27  | N1'  | N2'  | 112.2(10) |
| Br1  | Ag3  | Br4  | 89.92(4)  | C27  | N1'  | C6'  | 129.5(8)  |
| Br3  | Ag3  | Ag4  | 52.83(4)  | C3'  | N2'  | N1'  | 105.0(11) |
| Br3  | Ag3  | Br4  | 108.86(4) | N2'  | C3'  | N4'  | 112.3(12) |
| Br4  | Ag3  | Ag4  | 58.91(3)  | C3'  | N4'  | C17' | 125.4(11) |
| C27  | Ag3  | Ag4  | 121.4(3)  | C27  | N4'  | C17' | 127.8(11) |
| C27  | Ag3  | Br1  | 129.3(3)  | C27  | N4'  | C3'  | 106.7(11) |
| C27  | Ag3  | Br3  | 113.4(3)  | N1'  | C27  | Ag3  | 134.3(7)  |

|     |     |     |           |      |      |      |           |
|-----|-----|-----|-----------|------|------|------|-----------|
| C27 | Ag3 | Br4 | 116.9(3)  | N1'  | C27  | N4'  | 103.8(9)  |
| Br2 | Ag4 | Ag3 | 101.72(3) | N4'  | C27  | Ag3  | 121.9(8)  |
| Br2 | Ag4 | Br4 | 86.76(4)  | C7'  | C6'  | N1'  | 122.4(9)  |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Ag3 | 57.21(4)  | C7'  | C6'  | C11' | 118.7(11) |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Br2 | 88.95(4)  | C11' | C6'  | N1'  | 118.9(10) |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Br4 | 109.30(4) | C8'  | C7'  | C6'  | 120.1(9)  |
| Br4 | Ag4 | Ag3 | 55.01(3)  | C7'  | C8'  | N12' | 120.4(8)  |
| C30 | Ag4 | Ag3 | 120.7(3)  | C9'  | C8'  | C7'  | 121.3(11) |
| C30 | Ag4 | Br2 | 130.0(3)  | C9'  | C8'  | N12' | 118.1(11) |
| C30 | Ag4 | Br3 | 135.0(3)  | C10' | C9'  | C8'  | 117.9(13) |
| C30 | Ag4 | Br4 | 96.2(3)   | C9'  | C10' | C11' | 123.5(11) |
| Ag2 | Br1 | Ag1 | 65.86(4)  | C10' | C11' | C6'  | 118.3(12) |
| Ag3 | Br1 | Ag2 | 85.35(4)  | N13' | N12' | C8'  | 117.2(8)  |
| Ag3 | Br1 | Ag1 | 83.35(4)  | C30  | N12' | C8'  | 129.6(9)  |
| Ag1 | Br2 | Ag2 | 69.10(4)  | C30  | N12' | N13' | 113.2(9)  |
| Ag1 | Br2 | Ag4 | 87.64(4)  | C14' | N13' | N12' | 101.2(10) |
| Ag4 | Br2 | Ag2 | 88.06(4)  | N13' | C14' | N15' | 113.8(12) |
| Ag1 | Br3 | Ag3 | 84.28(4)  | C14' | N15' | C21' | 124.4(12) |
| Ag4 | Br3 | Ag1 | 86.96(4)  | C30  | N15' | C21' | 128.5(10) |
| Ag4 | Br3 | Ag3 | 69.97(4)  | C30  | N15' | C14' | 107.1(10) |
| Ag2 | Br4 | Ag3 | 85.38(4)  | N12' | C30  | Ag4  | 131.4(8)  |
| Ag2 | Br4 | Ag4 | 87.74(4)  | N15' | C30  | Ag4  | 124.0(7)  |
| Ag3 | Br4 | Ag4 | 66.08(3)  | N15' | C30  | N12' | 104.6(9)  |

**Table S 31**  
Torsion Angles for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e).

| A    | B    | C    | D    | Angle/°    | A   | B   | C   | D    | Angle/°    |
|------|------|------|------|------------|-----|-----|-----|------|------------|
| C17  | C18  | C19  | C20  | 173(3)     | Br4 | Ag3 | Br3 | Ag1  | -69.54(5)  |
| C17  | N4   | C10  | Ag2  | 6.6(16)    | Br4 | Ag3 | Br3 | Ag4  | 19.30(4)   |
| C17  | N4   | C10  | N1   | -173.4(11) | Br4 | Ag3 | C27 | N1'  | -64.0(11)  |
| C18  | C17  | N4   | C3   | -95(2)     | Br4 | Ag3 | C27 | N4'  | 117.1(9)   |
| C18  | C17  | N4   | C10  | 77.0(19)   | Br4 | Ag4 | Br2 | Ag2  | -19.52(4)  |
| C21' | C22' | C23' | C24' | 153(3)     | Br4 | Ag4 | Br2 | Ag1  | -88.68(4)  |
| C21' | N15' | C30  | Ag4  | 5(2)       | Br4 | Ag4 | Br3 | Ag1  | 66.53(5)   |
| C21' | N15' | C30  | N12' | -175.0(13) | Br4 | Ag4 | Br3 | Ag3  | -18.48(4)  |
| C22' | C21' | N15' | C14' | -91(2)     | Br4 | Ag4 | C30 | N12' | 84.1(12)   |
| C22' | C21' | N15' | C30  | 86.5(19)   | Br4 | Ag4 | C30 | N15' | -95.4(11)  |
| C17' | C18' | C19' | C20' | 178(4)     | N1  | N2  | C3  | N4   | -4(2)      |
| C17' | N4'  | C27  | Ag3  | 2.5(19)    | N1  | C6  | C16 | C8   | -176.2(11) |

|      |      |     |      |            |     |     |     |     |            |
|------|------|-----|------|------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|
| C17' | N4'  | C27 | N1'  | -176.7(13) | N1  | C6  | C11 | C5  | 180(2)     |
| C18' | C17' | N4' | C3'  | -76(2)     | N2  | N1  | C10 | Ag2 | 177.9(10)  |
| C18' | C17' | N4' | C27  | 101(2)     | N2  | N1  | C10 | N4  | -2.1(14)   |
| C21  | C22  | C23 | C24  | -176(3)    | N2  | N1  | C6  | C16 | -174.2(12) |
| C21  | N15  | C7  | Ag1  | -11.9(18)  | N2  | N1  | C6  | C11 | 7(2)       |
| C21  | N15  | C7  | N12  | 175.7(12)  | N2  | C3  | N4  | C17 | 176.3(14)  |
| C22  | C21  | N15 | C14  | -88(2)     | N2  | C3  | N4  | C10 | 3(2)       |
| C22  | C21  | N15 | C7   | 99.1(17)   | C3  | N4  | C10 | Ag2 | 179.4(11)  |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | Br1 | Ag3  | -87.87(4)  | C3  | N4  | C10 | N1  | -0.6(15)   |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | Br2 | Ag4  | 88.82(4)   | N4  | C17 | C18 | C19 | 50(4)      |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | Br3 | Ag3  | 33.69(6)   | C10 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br1 | -108.5(3)  |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | Br3 | Ag4  | -36.47(5)  | C10 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br2 | 93.0(3)    |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | C7  | N12  | 13.4(13)   | C10 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br3 | 172.3(3)   |
| Ag2  | Ag1  | C7  | N15  | -156.3(9)  | C10 | Ag2 | Ag1 | C7  | -27.8(5)   |
| Ag1  | Ag2  | Br1 | Ag3  | 84.79(4)   | C10 | Ag2 | Br1 | Ag1 | 109.1(3)   |
| Ag1  | Ag2  | Br2 | Ag4  | -88.22(4)  | C10 | Ag2 | Br1 | Ag3 | -166.1(3)  |
| Ag1  | Ag2  | Br4 | Ag3  | -35.71(5)  | C10 | Ag2 | Br2 | Ag1 | -112.9(3)  |
| Ag1  | Ag2  | Br4 | Ag4  | 30.47(6)   | C10 | Ag2 | Br2 | Ag4 | 158.9(3)   |
| Ag1  | Ag2  | C10 | N1   | 14.7(13)   | C10 | Ag2 | Br4 | Ag3 | 155.5(4)   |
| Ag1  | Ag2  | C10 | N4   | -165.3(7)  | C10 | Ag2 | Br4 | Ag4 | -138.3(4)  |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | Br2 | Ag2  | 33.72(5)   | C10 | N1  | N2  | C3  | 4.1(18)    |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | Br2 | Ag1  | -35.43(5)  | C10 | N1  | C6  | C16 | 5.7(19)    |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | Br3 | Ag1  | 85.01(4)   | C10 | N1  | C6  | C11 | -173.6(15) |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | Br4 | Ag2  | -85.95(4)  | C6  | N1  | N2  | C3  | -176.0(13) |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | C30 | N12' | 31.4(13)   | C6  | N1  | C10 | Ag2 | -2.0(19)   |
| Ag3  | Ag4  | C30 | N15' | -148.0(9)  | C6  | N1  | C10 | N4  | 178.0(11)  |
| Ag4  | Ag3  | Br1 | Ag2  | -34.83(5)  | C6  | C16 | C8  | C9  | -6(2)      |
| Ag4  | Ag3  | Br1 | Ag1  | 31.36(6)   | C6  | C16 | C8  | N12 | 179.0(11)  |
| Ag4  | Ag3  | Br3 | Ag1  | -88.85(4)  | C16 | C6  | C11 | C5  | 1(3)       |
| Ag4  | Ag3  | Br4 | Ag2  | 89.57(4)   | C16 | C8  | C9  | C5  | 4(3)       |
| Ag4  | Ag3  | C27 | N1'  | 4.4(12)    | C16 | C8  | N12 | N13 | 156.5(13)  |
| Ag4  | Ag3  | C27 | N4'  | -174.5(8)  | C16 | C8  | N12 | C7  | -25(2)     |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Ag1 | Br2  | -158.46(4) | C8  | C9  | C5  | C11 | 0(4)       |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Ag1 | Br3  | -79.14(5)  | C8  | N12 | N13 | C14 | 174.1(15)  |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Ag1 | C7   | 80.8(3)    | C8  | N12 | C7  | Ag1 | 12(2)      |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Br2 | Ag1  | 19.36(4)   | C8  | N12 | C7  | N15 | -176.7(12) |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Br2 | Ag4  | -68.85(5)  | C9  | C8  | N12 | N13 | -19(2)     |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Br4 | Ag3  | 22.08(4)   | C9  | C8  | N12 | C7  | 159.4(14)  |
| Br1  | Ag2  | Br4 | Ag4  | 88.26(4)   | C9  | C5  | C11 | C6  | -2(5)      |
| Br1  | Ag2  | C10 | N1   | -54.4(12)  | C11 | C6  | C16 | C8  | 3(2)       |
| Br1  | Ag2  | C10 | N4   | 125.6(8)   | N12 | C8  | C9  | C5  | 180(2)     |
| Br1  | Ag1  | Br2 | Ag2  | -18.80(4)  | N12 | N13 | C14 | N15 | 6(2)       |

|     |     |     |      |            |     |      |      |      |            |
|-----|-----|-----|------|------------|-----|------|------|------|------------|
| Br1 | Ag1 | Br2 | Ag4  | 70.02(5)   | N13 | N12  | C7   | Ag1  | -169.8(10) |
| Br1 | Ag1 | Br3 | Ag3  | -20.01(4)  | N13 | N12  | C7   | N15  | 1.7(15)    |
| Br1 | Ag1 | Br3 | Ag4  | -90.16(4)  | N13 | C14  | N15  | C21  | -178.8(17) |
| Br1 | Ag1 | C7  | N12  | 69.2(11)   | N13 | C14  | N15  | C7   | -5(3)      |
| Br1 | Ag1 | C7  | N15  | -100.5(10) | C14 | N15  | C7   | Ag1  | 174.1(12)  |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br2  | 0.26(7)    | C14 | N15  | C7   | N12  | 1.6(16)    |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br3  | -80.77(5)  | N15 | C21  | C22  | C23  | -179.0(17) |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br4  | 77.81(5)   | C7  | Ag1  | Br1  | Ag2  | -122.3(3)  |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30  | 152.6(4)   | C7  | Ag1  | Br1  | Ag3  | 149.8(3)   |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Br3 | Ag1  | 21.90(5)   | C7  | Ag1  | Br2  | Ag2  | 108.6(4)   |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Br3 | Ag4  | 110.74(5)  | C7  | Ag1  | Br2  | Ag4  | -162.6(4)  |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Br4 | Ag2  | -23.02(4)  | C7  | Ag1  | Br3  | Ag3  | -124.9(4)  |
| Br1 | Ag3 | Br4 | Ag4  | -112.59(4) | C7  | Ag1  | Br3  | Ag4  | 165.0(4)   |
| Br1 | Ag3 | C27 | N1'  | -178.5(9)  | C7  | N12  | N13  | C14  | -4(2)      |
| Br1 | Ag3 | C27 | N4'  | 2.6(11)    | N1' | N2'  | C3'  | N4'  | 2(2)       |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br1  | 158.46(4)  | N1' | C6'  | C7'  | C8'  | 179.7(11)  |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br3  | 79.32(5)   | N1' | C6'  | C11' | C10' | -177.1(15) |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Ag1 | C7   | -120.8(3)  | N2' | N1'  | C27  | Ag3  | -178.9(9)  |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Br1 | Ag1  | -17.80(4)  | N2' | N1'  | C27  | N4'  | 0.2(13)    |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Br1 | Ag3  | 67.00(4)   | N2' | N1'  | C6'  | C7'  | -165.0(11) |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Br4 | Ag3  | -86.25(4)  | N2' | N1'  | C6'  | C11' | 13.3(18)   |
| Br2 | Ag2 | Br4 | Ag4  | -20.07(5)  | N2' | C3'  | N4'  | C17' | 175.9(15)  |
| Br2 | Ag2 | C10 | N1   | 71.8(12)   | N2' | C3'  | N4'  | C27  | -2(2)      |
| Br2 | Ag2 | C10 | N4   | -108.2(8)  | C3' | N4'  | C27  | Ag3  | 179.9(10)  |
| Br2 | Ag1 | Br1 | Ag2  | 19.61(4)   | C3' | N4'  | C27  | N1'  | 0.7(14)    |
| Br2 | Ag1 | Br1 | Ag3  | -68.26(5)  | N4' | C17' | C18' | C19' | 178(3)     |
| Br2 | Ag1 | Br3 | Ag3  | 90.79(4)   | C27 | Ag3  | Ag4  | Br2  | 177.9(3)   |
| Br2 | Ag1 | Br3 | Ag4  | 20.64(4)   | C27 | Ag3  | Ag4  | Br3  | 96.9(3)    |
| Br2 | Ag1 | C7  | N12  | -61.5(12)  | C27 | Ag3  | Ag4  | Br4  | -104.5(3)  |
| Br2 | Ag1 | C7  | N15  | 128.8(10)  | C27 | Ag3  | Ag4  | C30  | -29.7(5)   |
| Br2 | Ag4 | Br3 | Ag1  | -19.67(4)  | C27 | Ag3  | Br1  | Ag2  | 147.7(4)   |
| Br2 | Ag4 | Br3 | Ag3  | -104.68(4) | C27 | Ag3  | Br1  | Ag1  | -146.1(4)  |
| Br2 | Ag4 | Br4 | Ag2  | 20.79(5)   | C27 | Ag3  | Br3  | Ag1  | 158.5(3)   |
| Br2 | Ag4 | Br4 | Ag3  | 106.74(4)  | C27 | Ag3  | Br3  | Ag4  | -112.7(3)  |
| Br2 | Ag4 | C30 | N12' | 175.0(10)  | C27 | Ag3  | Br4  | Ag2  | -158.3(3)  |
| Br2 | Ag4 | C30 | N15' | -4.4(13)   | C27 | Ag3  | Br4  | Ag4  | 112.1(3)   |
| Br3 | Ag1 | Br1 | Ag2  | 108.78(4)  | C27 | N1'  | N2'  | C3'  | -1.1(17)   |
| Br3 | Ag1 | Br1 | Ag3  | 20.91(5)   | C27 | N1'  | C6'  | C7'  | 15.9(18)   |
| Br3 | Ag1 | Br2 | Ag2  | -108.65(4) | C27 | N1'  | C6'  | C11' | -165.8(13) |
| Br3 | Ag1 | Br2 | Ag4  | -19.83(4)  | C6' | N1'  | N2'  | C3'  | 179.7(13)  |
| Br3 | Ag1 | C7  | N12  | 168.6(10)  | C6' | N1'  | C27  | Ag3  | 0.2(18)    |
| Br3 | Ag1 | C7  | N15  | -1.1(12)   | C6' | N1'  | C27  | N4'  | 179.3(11)  |

|     |     |     |      |            |      |      |      |      |            |
|-----|-----|-----|------|------------|------|------|------|------|------------|
| Br3 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br2  | 81.03(5)   | C6'  | C7'  | C8'  | C9'  | -3(2)      |
| Br3 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br4  | 158.58(4)  | C6'  | C7'  | C8'  | N12' | -178.8(11) |
| Br3 | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30  | -126.6(4)  | C7'  | C6'  | C11' | C10' | 1(2)       |
| Br3 | Ag3 | Br1 | Ag2  | -86.91(4)  | C7'  | C8'  | C9'  | C10' | 2(3)       |
| Br3 | Ag3 | Br1 | Ag1  | -20.72(5)  | C7'  | C8'  | N12' | N13' | 151.3(14)  |
| Br3 | Ag3 | Br4 | Ag2  | 71.66(4)   | C7'  | C8'  | N12' | C30  | -28(2)     |
| Br3 | Ag3 | Br4 | Ag4  | -17.91(4)  | C8'  | C9'  | C10' | C11' | 1(3)       |
| Br3 | Ag3 | C27 | N1'  | 63.9(11)   | C8'  | N12' | N13' | C14' | 179.2(15)  |
| Br3 | Ag3 | C27 | N4'  | -115.0(9)  | C8'  | N12' | C30  | Ag4  | -1(2)      |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Br2 | Ag2  | 89.87(4)   | C8'  | N12' | C30  | N15' | 178.3(13)  |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Br2 | Ag1  | 20.72(4)   | C9'  | C8'  | N12' | N13' | -24(2)     |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Br4 | Ag2  | -66.96(5)  | C9'  | C8'  | N12' | C30  | 156.4(14)  |
| Br3 | Ag4 | Br4 | Ag3  | 18.99(4)   | C9'  | C10' | C11' | C6'  | -2(3)      |
| Br3 | Ag4 | C30 | N12' | -41.3(13)  | C11' | C6'  | C7'  | C8'  | 1.4(19)    |
| Br3 | Ag4 | C30 | N15' | 139.3(9)   | N12' | C8'  | C9'  | C10' | 177.8(16)  |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br1  | 80.79(5)   | N12' | N13' | C14' | N15' | 3(3)       |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br2  | -77.67(5)  | N13' | N12' | C30  | Ag4  | 179.5(11)  |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Ag1 | Br3  | 1.65(7)    | N13' | N12' | C30  | N15' | -1.0(17)   |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Ag1 | C7   | 161.6(3)   | N13' | C14' | N15' | C21' | 173.9(16)  |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Br1 | Ag1  | -107.88(4) | N13' | C14' | N15' | C30  | -4(3)      |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Br1 | Ag3  | -23.08(4)  | C14' | N15' | C30  | Ag4  | -177.5(12) |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Br2 | Ag1  | 109.62(5)  | C14' | N15' | C30  | N12' | 2.9(17)    |
| Br4 | Ag2 | Br2 | Ag4  | 21.41(5)   | N15' | C21' | C22' | C23' | 60(2)      |
| Br4 | Ag2 | C10 | N1   | -177.8(9)  | C30  | Ag4  | Br2  | Ag2  | -114.9(4)  |
| Br4 | Ag2 | C10 | N4   | 2.2(11)    | C30  | Ag4  | Br2  | Ag1  | 176.0(4)   |
| Br4 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br2  | -77.55(5)  | C30  | Ag4  | Br3  | Ag1  | -172.7(4)  |
| Br4 | Ag3 | Ag4 | Br3  | -158.58(4) | C30  | Ag4  | Br3  | Ag3  | 102.3(4)   |
| Br4 | Ag3 | Ag4 | C30  | 74.8(4)    | C30  | Ag4  | Br4  | Ag2  | 150.7(3)   |
| Br4 | Ag3 | Br1 | Ag2  | 22.00(4)   | C30  | Ag4  | Br4  | Ag3  | -123.4(3)  |
| Br4 | Ag3 | Br1 | Ag1  | 88.20(4)   | C30  | N12' | N13' | C14' | -1(2)      |

**Table S 32**  
Hydrogen Atom Coordinates ( $\text{\AA} \times 10^4$ ) and Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) for bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e).

| Atom | x    | y    | z    | U(eq) |
|------|------|------|------|-------|
| H17A | 3766 | 7613 | 7047 | 105   |
| H17B | 2990 | 8173 | 6878 | 105   |
| H18  | 3831 | 9180 | 7206 | 201   |
| H19  | 4460 | 8226 | 8446 | 359   |
| H20A | 5498 | 9195 | 8041 | 385   |



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|------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| H20B | 4937  | 9481  | 8741  | 385 |
| H20C | 4720  | 9759  | 7891  | 385 |
| H21A | 3011  | 11817 | 8111  | 107 |
| H21B | 3758  | 12376 | 7846  | 107 |
| H22A | 4154  | 11064 | 7843  | 168 |
| H22B | 3423  | 10856 | 7264  | 168 |
| H23A | 4031  | 11372 | 6308  | 295 |
| H23B | 4555  | 11969 | 6817  | 295 |
| H24A | 5474  | 11102 | 7052  | 367 |
| H24B | 5274  | 11050 | 6158  | 367 |
| H24C | 4908  | 10400 | 6730  | 367 |
| H17C | -1098 | 9078  | 5869  | 142 |
| H17D | -1560 | 8979  | 5064  | 142 |
| H18A | -2210 | 9811  | 6339  | 258 |
| H18B | -2667 | 9749  | 5531  | 258 |
| H19A | -2785 | 8409  | 5673  | 411 |
| H19B | -2301 | 8454  | 6470  | 411 |
| H20D | -3415 | 9401  | 6724  | 716 |
| H20E | -3482 | 8475  | 6904  | 716 |
| H20F | -3874 | 8825  | 6136  | 716 |
| H21C | -1901 | 10440 | 10115 | 111 |
| H21D | -1177 | 10600 | 9510  | 111 |
| H22C | -2673 | 9809  | 9180  | 142 |
| H22D | -1946 | 9953  | 8574  | 142 |
| H23C | -2797 | 11192 | 9326  | 234 |
| H23D | -2113 | 11308 | 8677  | 234 |
| H24D | -3157 | 10450 | 8028  | 476 |
| H24E | -3083 | 11391 | 7948  | 476 |
| H24F | -3715 | 11015 | 8551  | 476 |
| H3   | 3730  | 6769  | 8236  | 137 |
| H7   | 786   | 8298  | 8955  | 81  |
| H9   | -52   | 7453  | 10945 | 141 |
| H10  | 1033  | 6590  | 10985 | 260 |
| H11  | 2038  | 6614  | 10039 | 170 |
| H14  | -2012 | 8937  | 10635 | 174 |
| H3'  | -1801 | 10323 | 4259  | 137 |
| H7'  | 856   | 11359 | 5988  | 86  |
| H9'  | 1403  | 13594 | 5349  | 125 |
| H10' | 287   | 13583 | 4551  | 144 |
| H11' | -611  | 12520 | 4480  | 134 |
| H14' | 3621  | 13109 | 6611  | 159 |

## Experimental

Single crystals of  $C_{36}H_{46}Ag_4Br_4N_{12}$  [bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e)] were [Crystallized Via Slow Vapor Diffusion of MeOH into a Saturated Solution of DMSO]. A suitable crystal was selected and [Mounted on a 1.0mm Cryoloop] on a Bruker Smart APEX II diffractometer. The crystal was kept at 100K K during data collection. Using Olex2 [1], the structure was solved with the ShelXS [2] structure solution program using Direct Methods and refined with the ShelXL [3] refinement package using CGLS minimisation.

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2. SHELXS, G.M. Sheldrick, *Acta Cryst.* (2008). A64, 112-122
3. SHELXL, G.M. Sheldrick, *Acta Cryst.* (2008). A64, 112-122

Crystal structure determination of [bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(4'-butyl-1',2',4'-triazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu$ 3-bromotetrasilver(I) (3e)]

**Crystal Data** for  $C_{36}H_{46}Ag_4Br_4N_{12}$  ( $M = 1397.97$ ): orthorhombic, space group  $P2_1cn$  (no. 33),  $a = 16.1580(4)$  Å,  $b = 16.9023(4)$  Å,  $c = 17.5083(4)$  Å,  $V = 4781.6(2)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ ,  $T = 100$  K,  $\mu(\text{CuK}\alpha) = 17.178$  mm<sup>-1</sup>,  $D_{\text{calc}} = 1.942$  g/mm<sup>3</sup>, 40231 reflections measured ( $7.26 \leq 2\theta \leq 138.98$ ), 7437 unique ( $R_{\text{int}} = 0.0697$ ) which were used in all calculations. The final  $R_1$  was 0.0453 ( $>2\sigma(I)$ ) and  $wR_2$  was 0.1258 (all data).

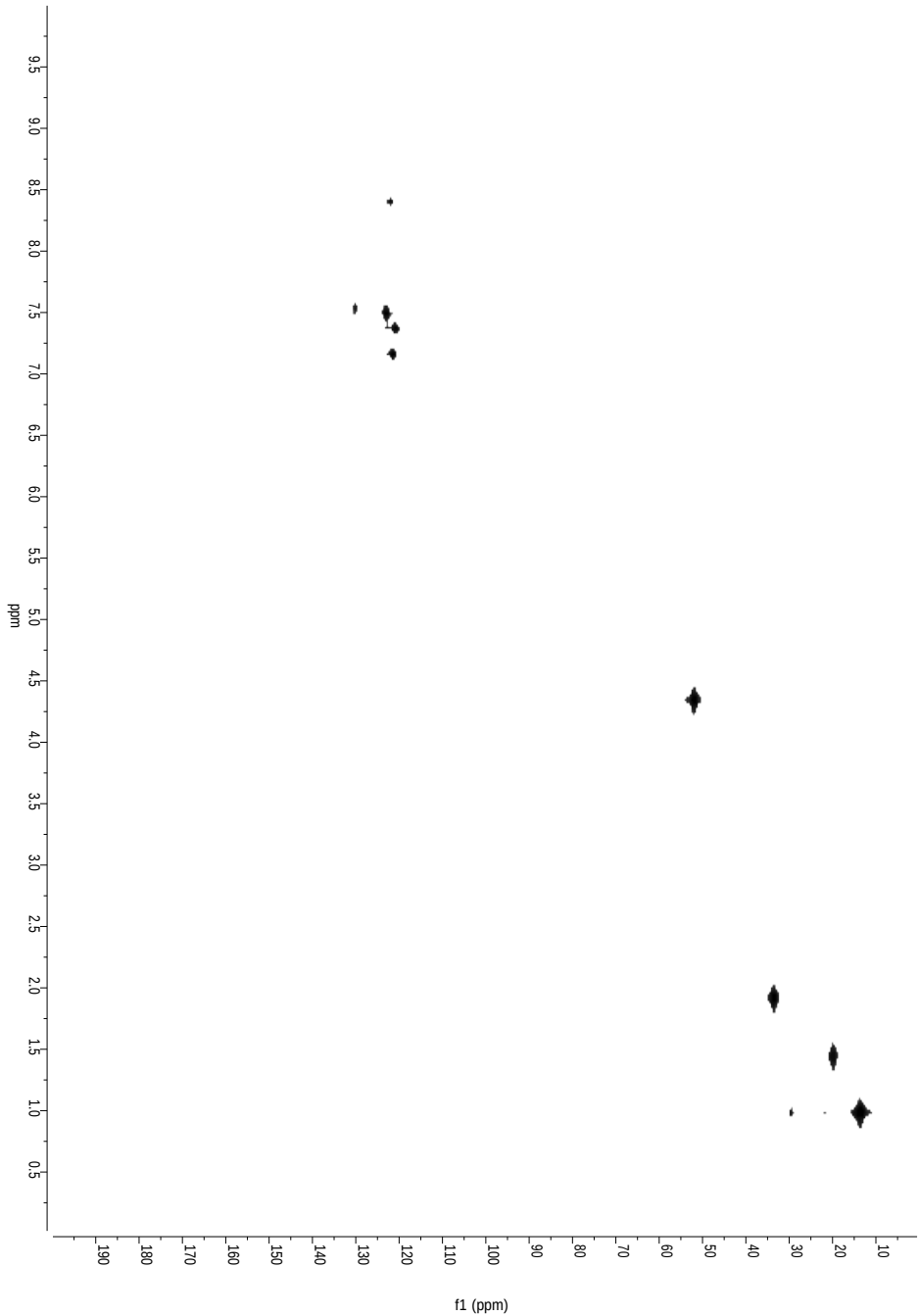
This report has been created with Olex2, compiled on 2012.11.06 svn.r2526. Please let us know if there are any errors or if you would like to have additional features.

NMR Spectra

**Figure S 3.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectrum of Complex 3a in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . 300MHz.**

**Figure S 4.**  $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectrum of Complex 3a in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . 75.5 MHz.

Figure S 5. HMQC of Complex 3a in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.



**Figure S 6.** Excerpt from HMQC of Complex 3a in CD<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>.

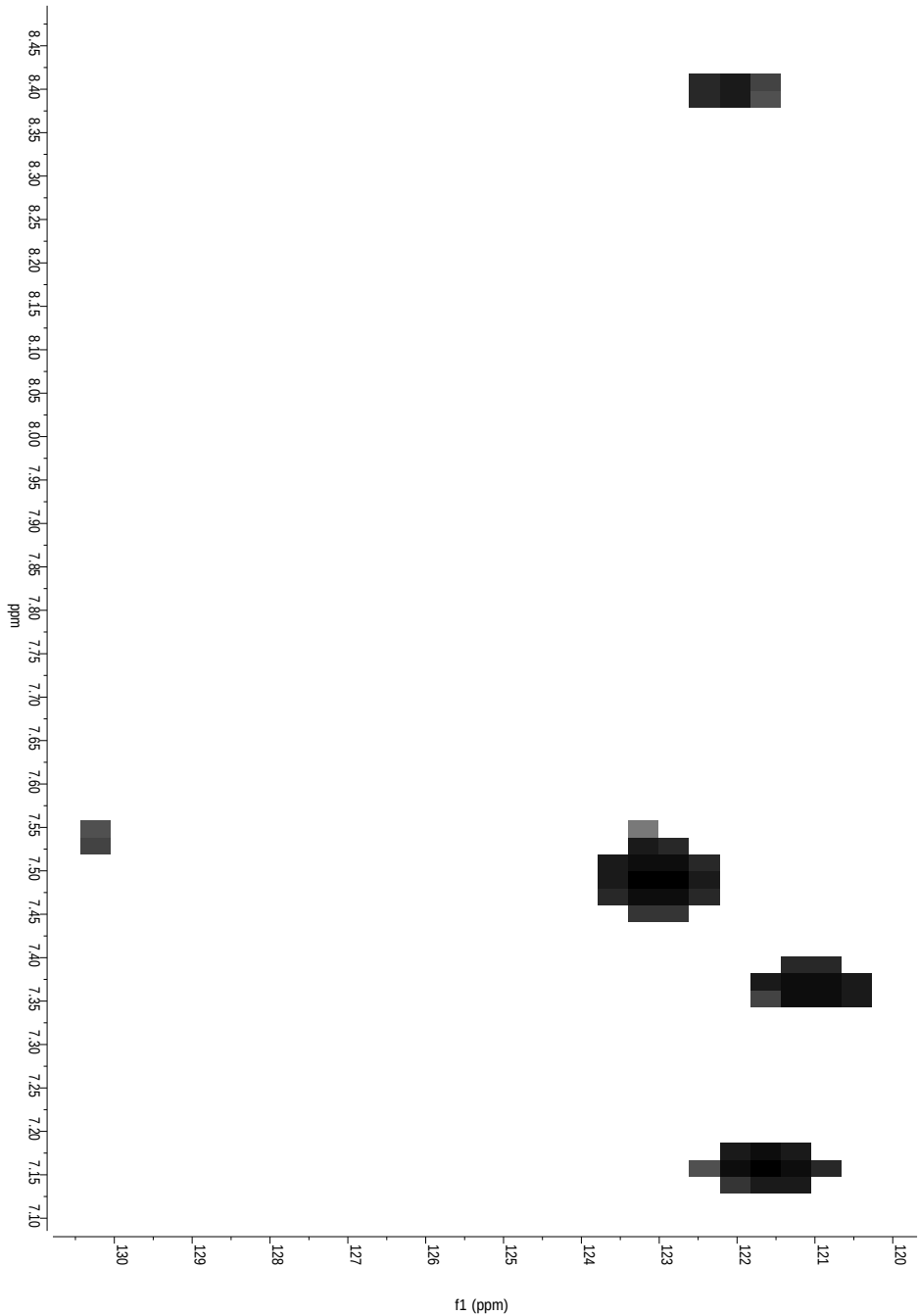
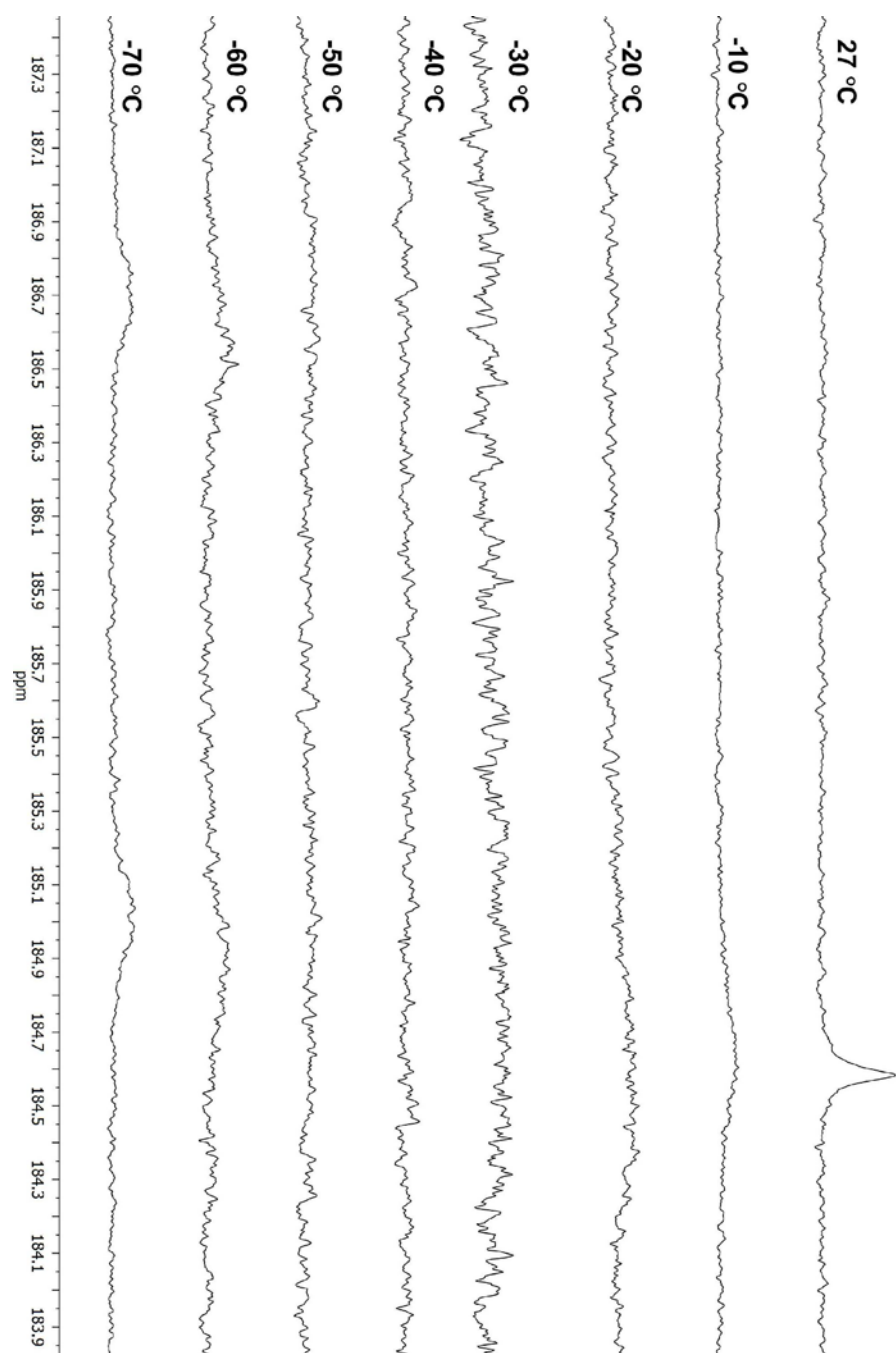


Figure S 7. VT  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Imidazole-AgI complex 3a in 2:1 DMF:  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 125.8 MHz.



**Figure S 8**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3"-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (3b) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . 75.5 MHz.

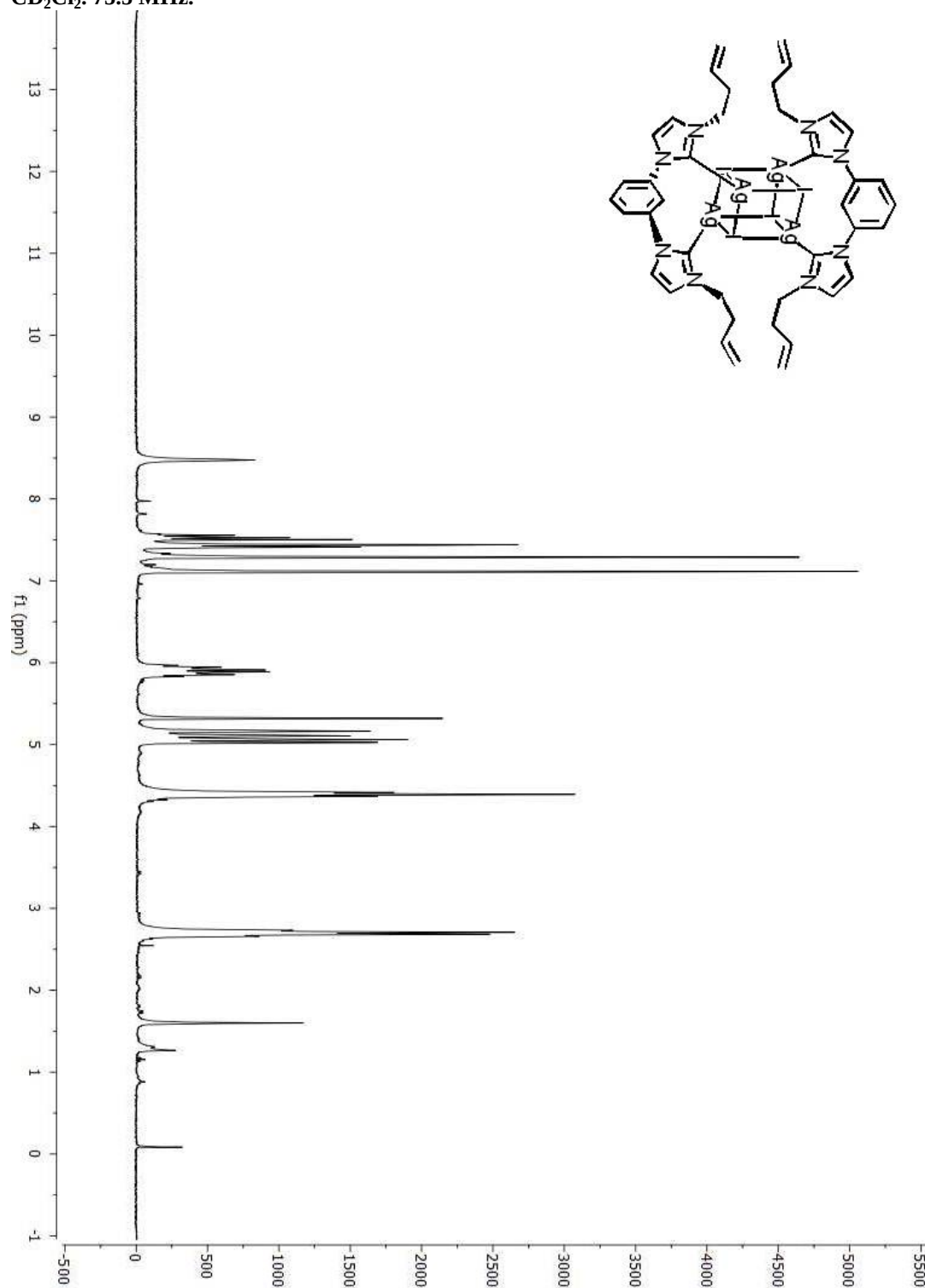
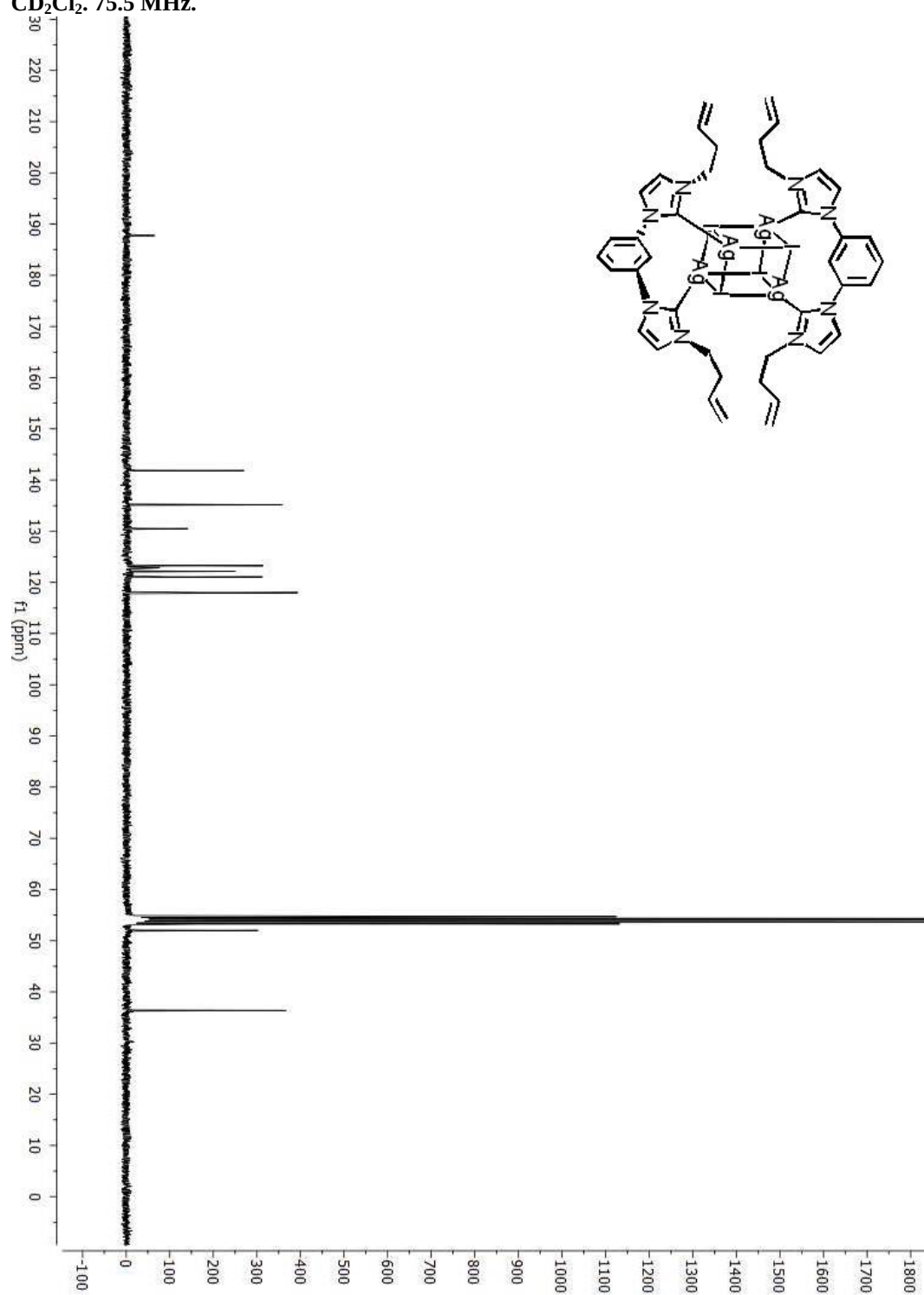




Figure S 9  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (3b) in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 75.5 MHz.



**Figure S 10** VT  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**) (0.5 N) in 2:1 DMF:  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 125.8 MHz.

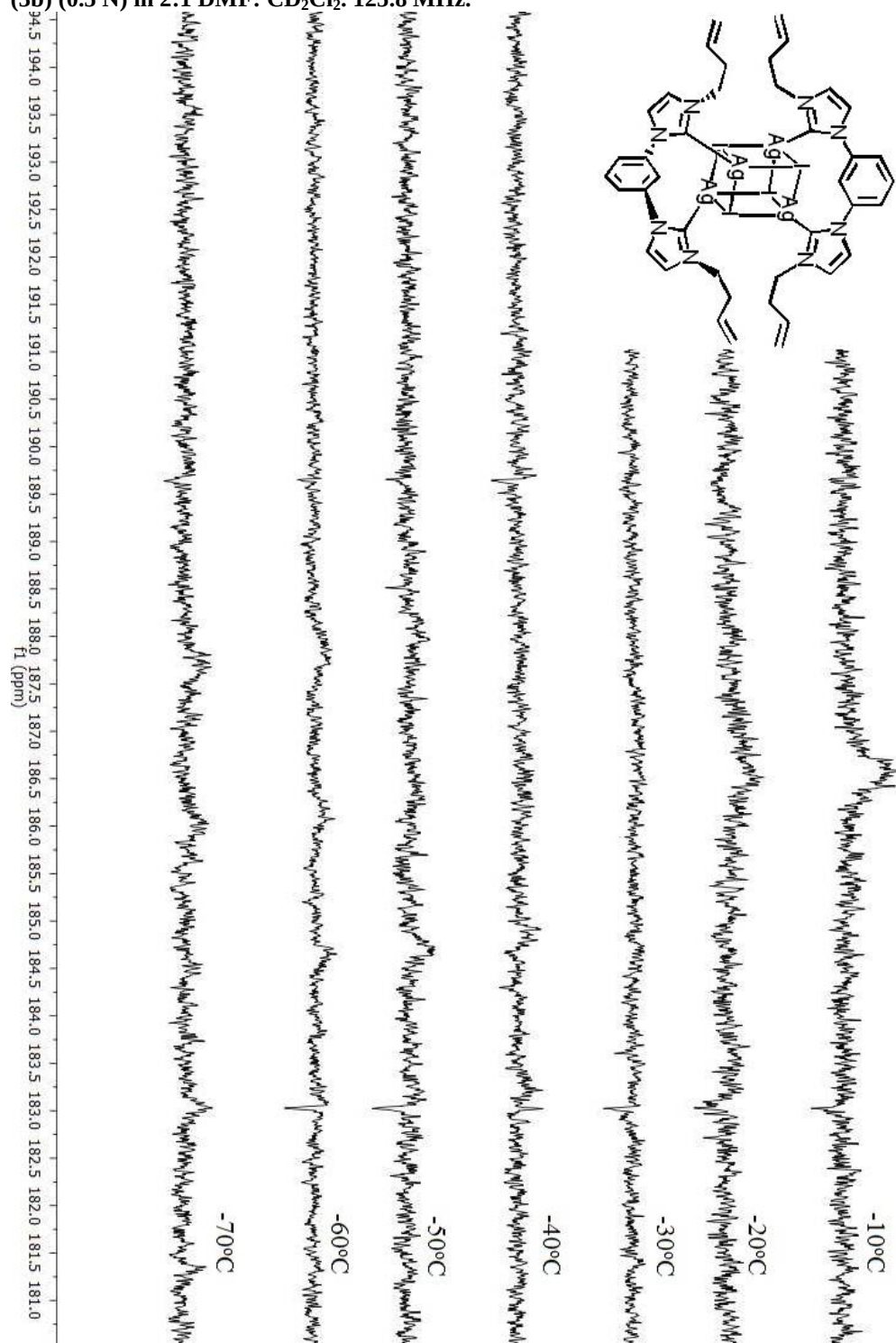


Figure S 11.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Pentenyl-AgI complex 3c in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 500 MHz.

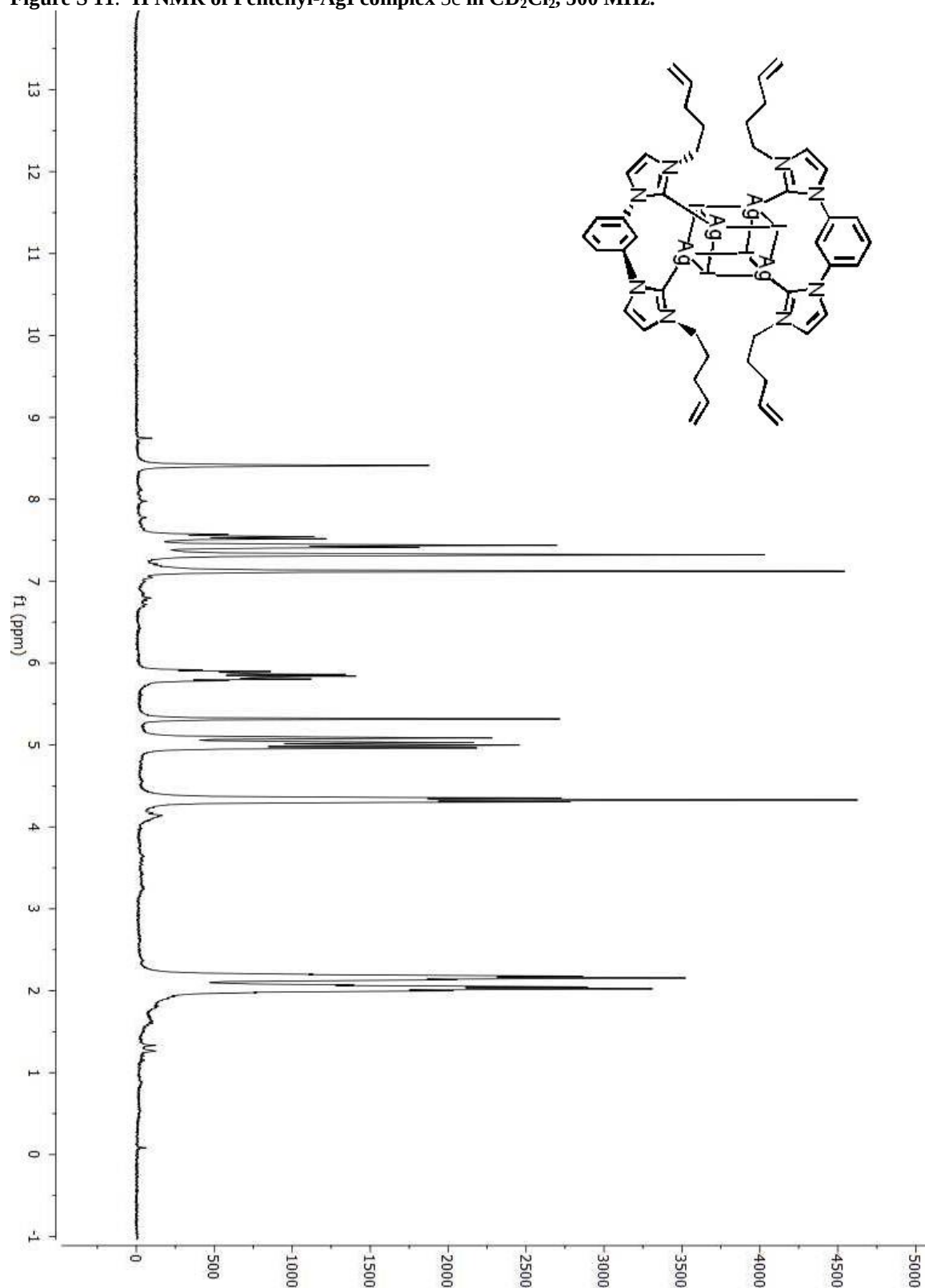


Figure S 12.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Pentenyl-AgI complex 3c in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 125.8 MHz.

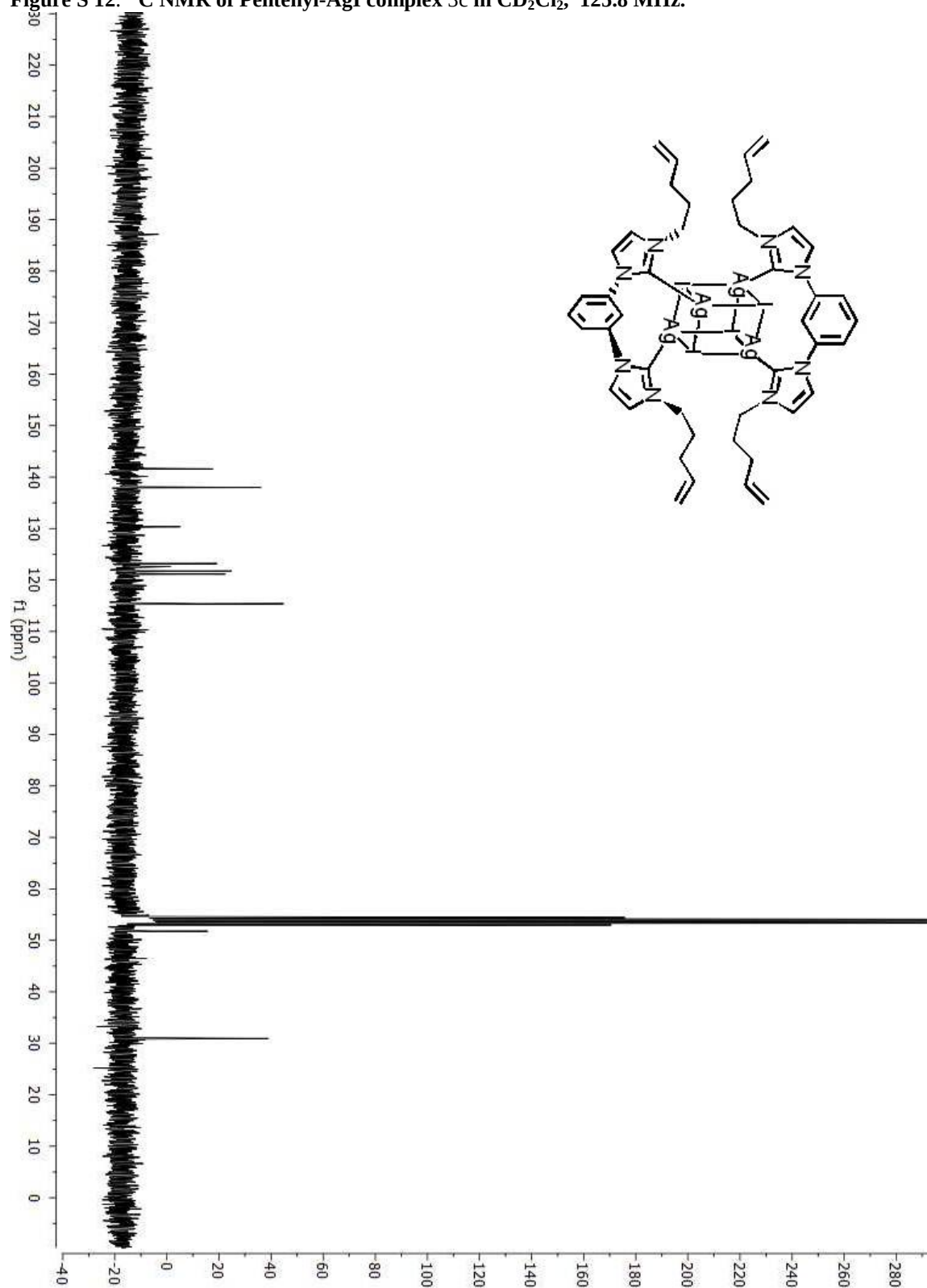


Figure S 13. VT  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Penteyl-AgI complex 3c (0.5 N) in 2:1 DMF:  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 125.8 MHz.

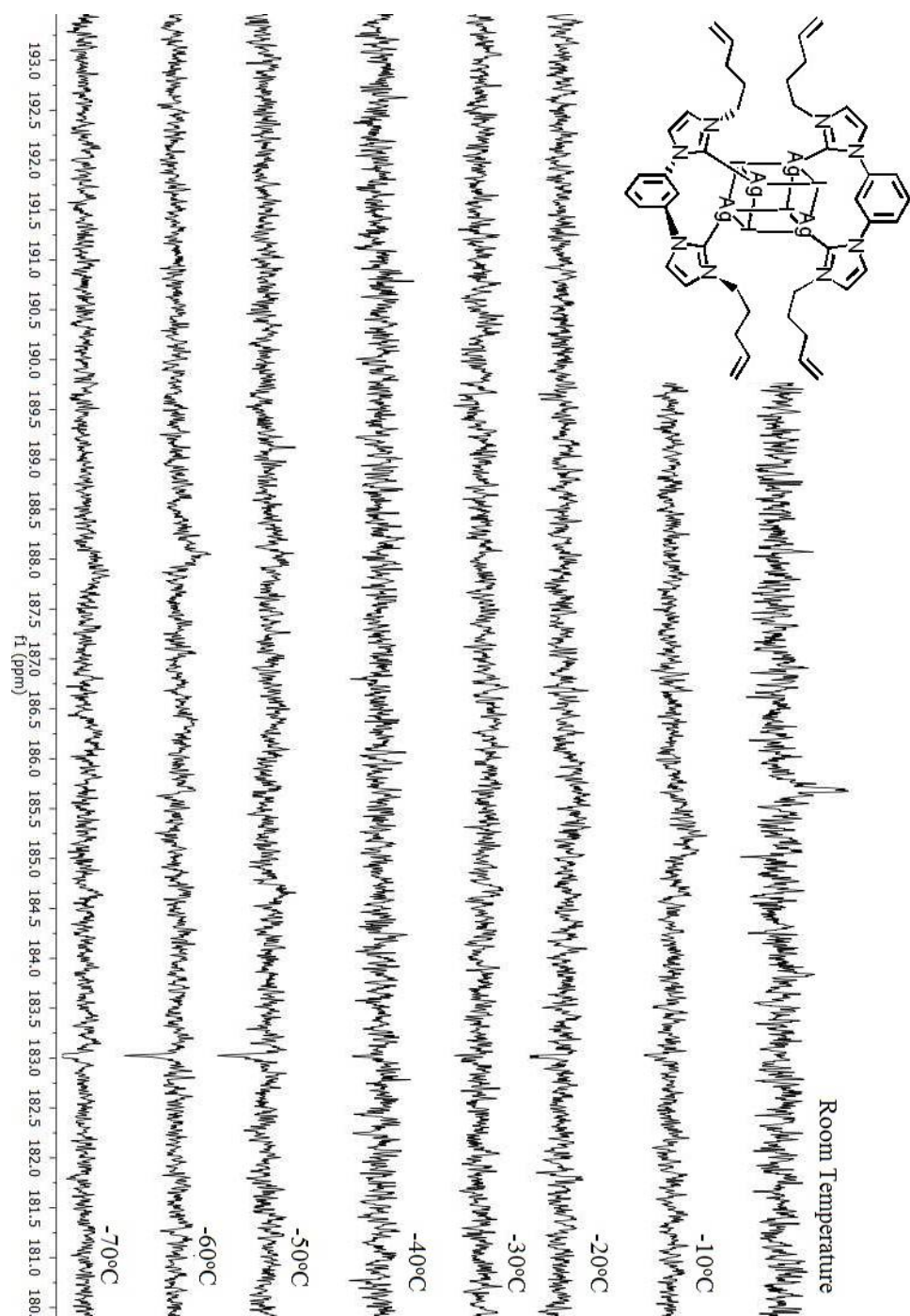


Figure S 14.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Triazole-AgI complex 3d in DMF. 125.8 MHz.

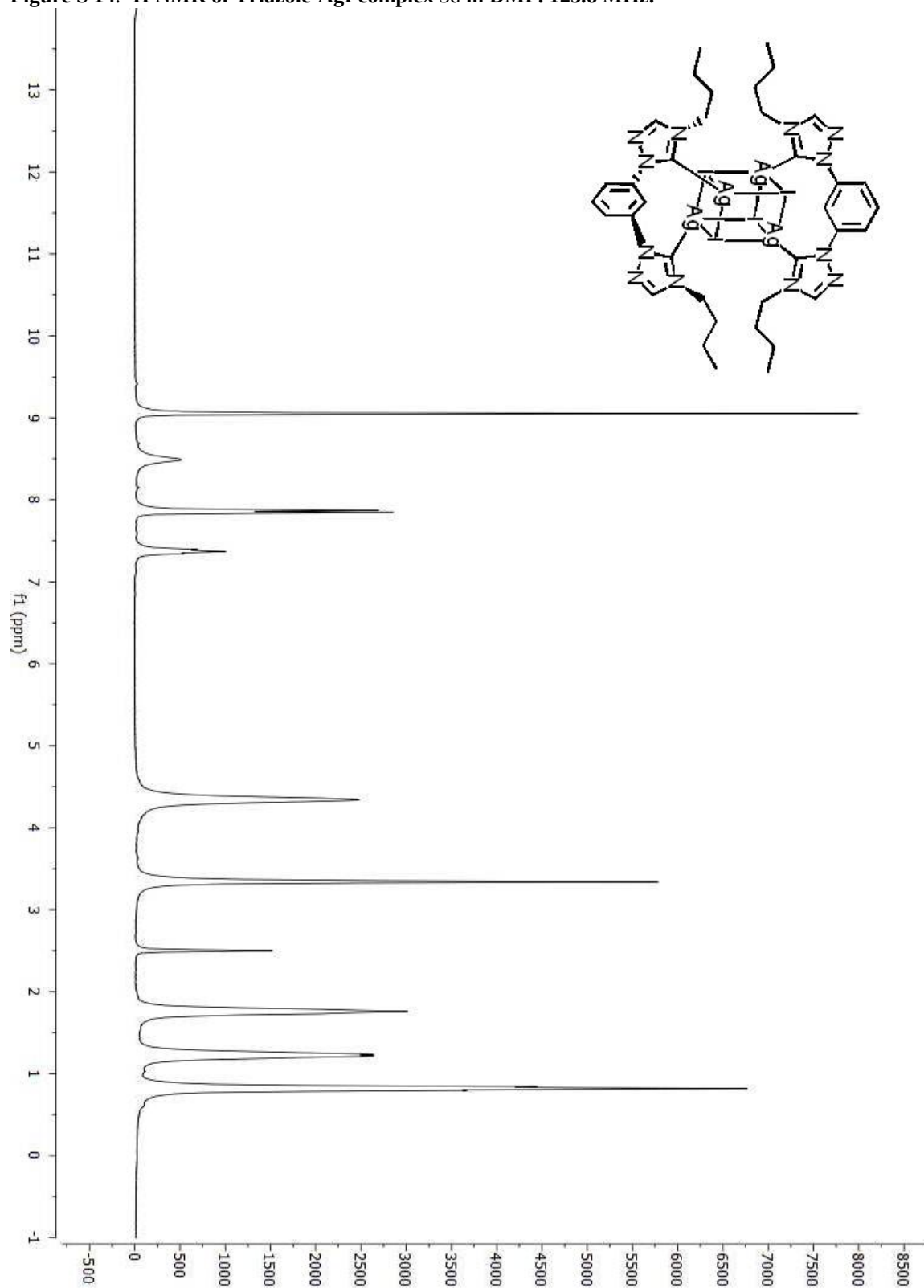


Figure S 15.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Triazole-AgI complex 3d in DMF. 125.8 MHz.

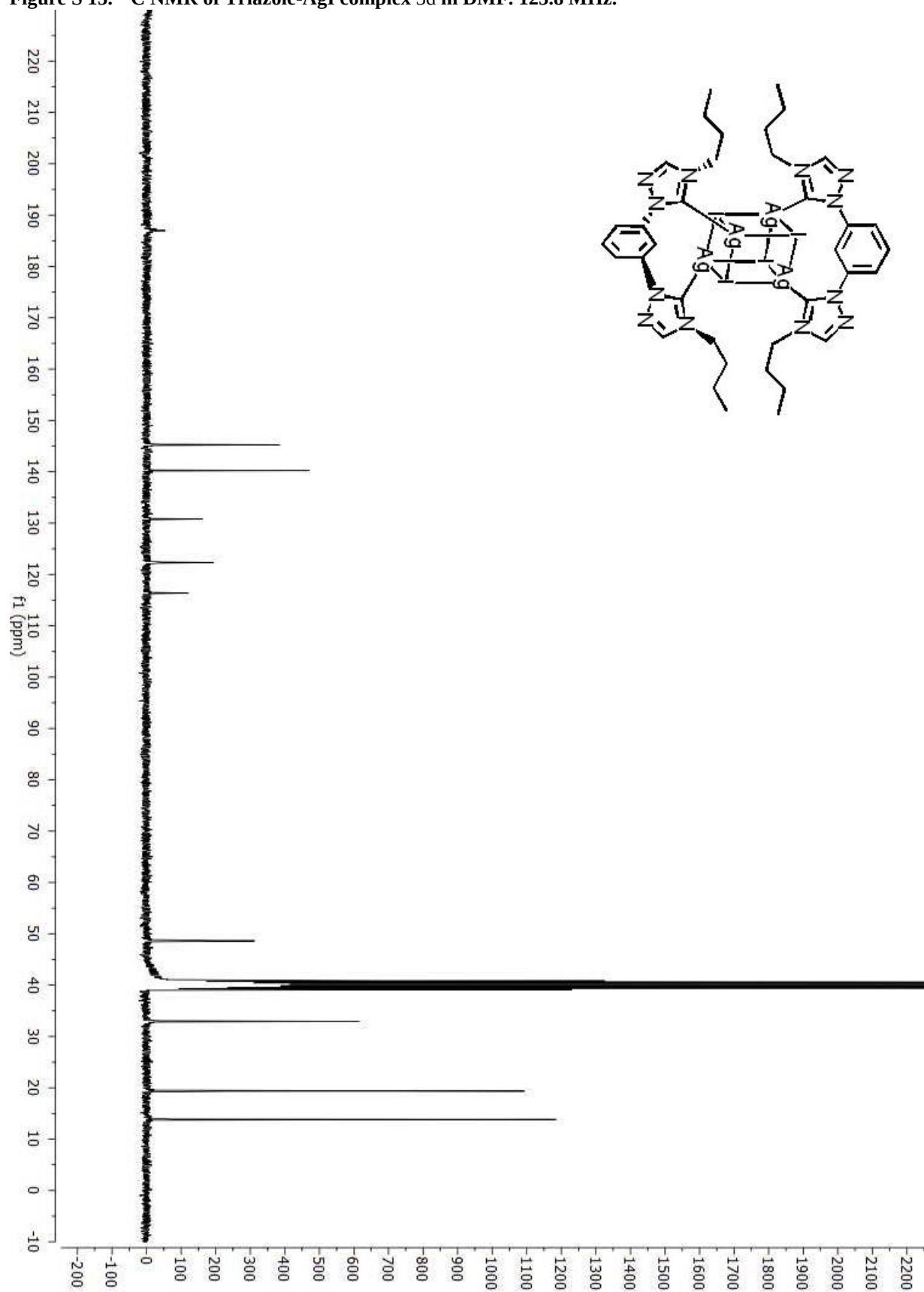




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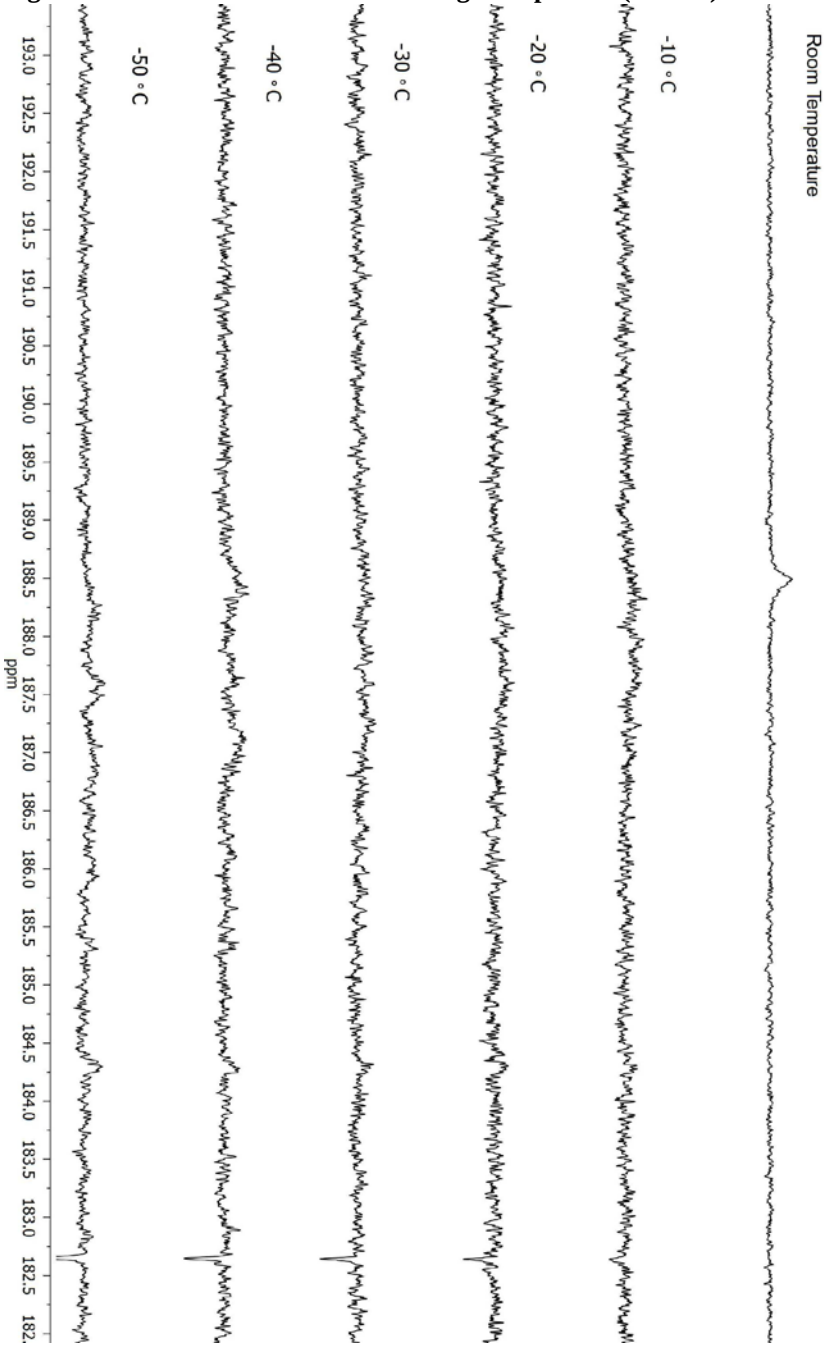




Figure S 17.  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Triazole-AgBr complex 3e in DMF. 125.8 MHz.

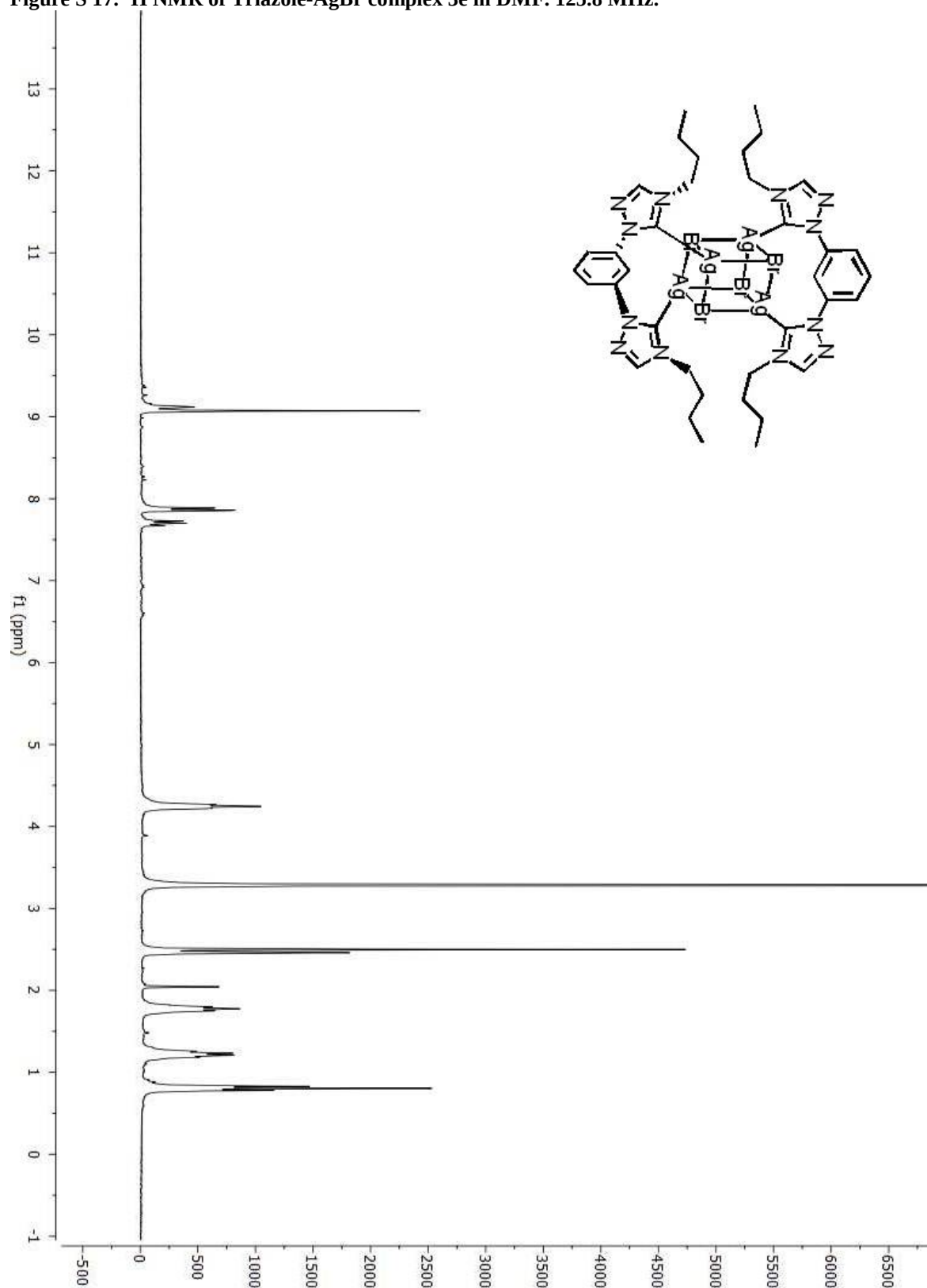


Figure S 18.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Triazole-AgBr complex 3e in DMF. 125.8 MHz.

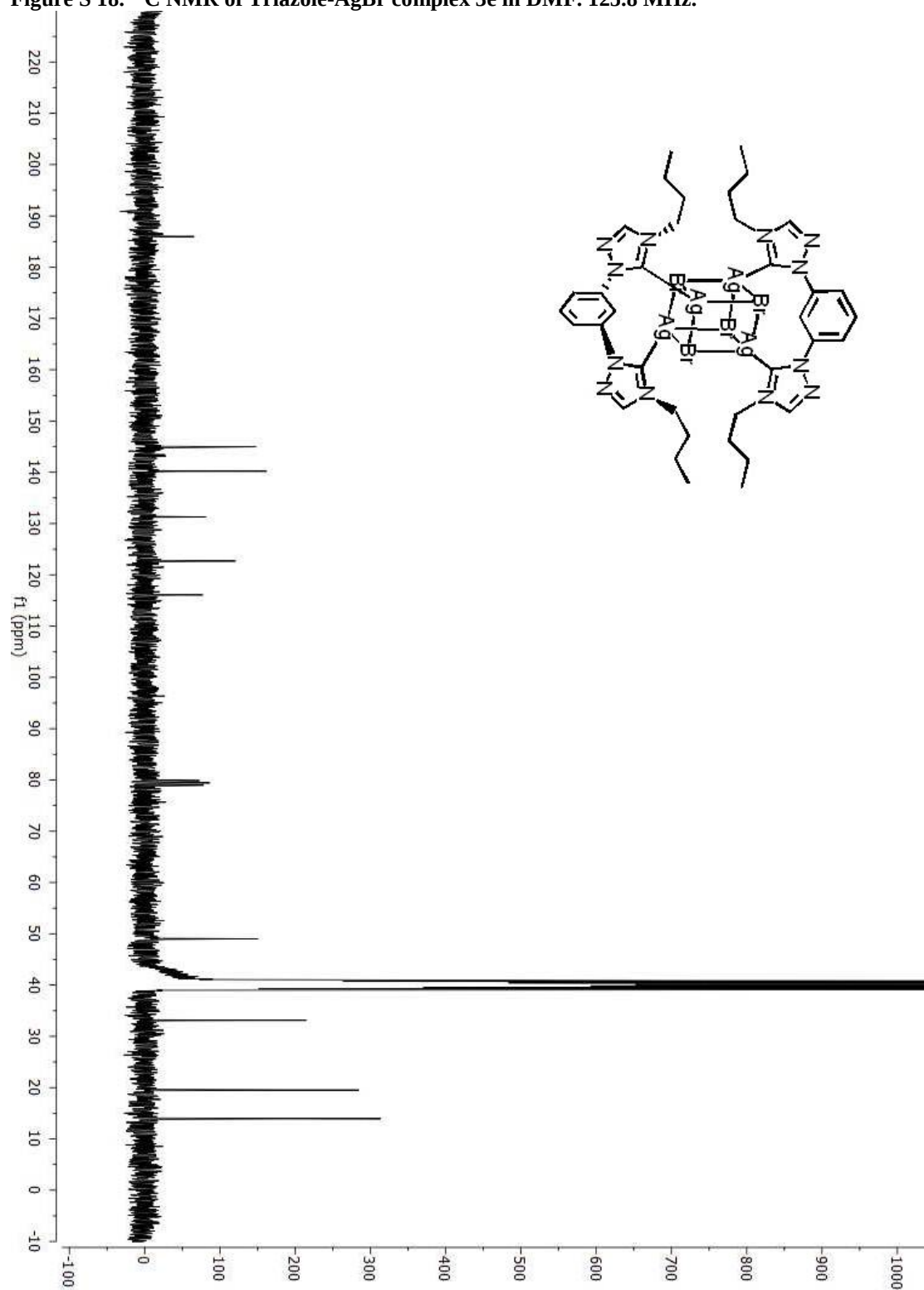
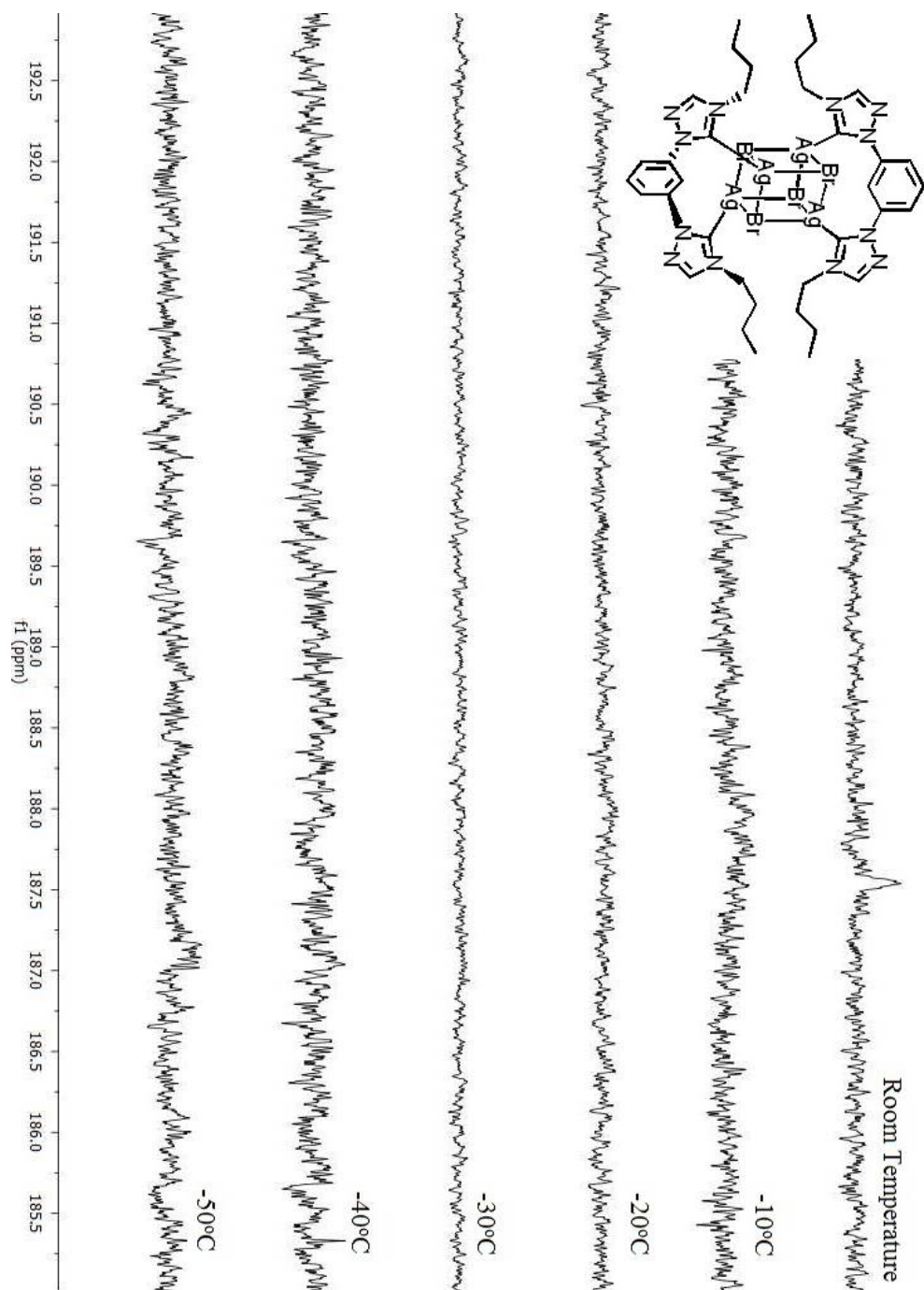
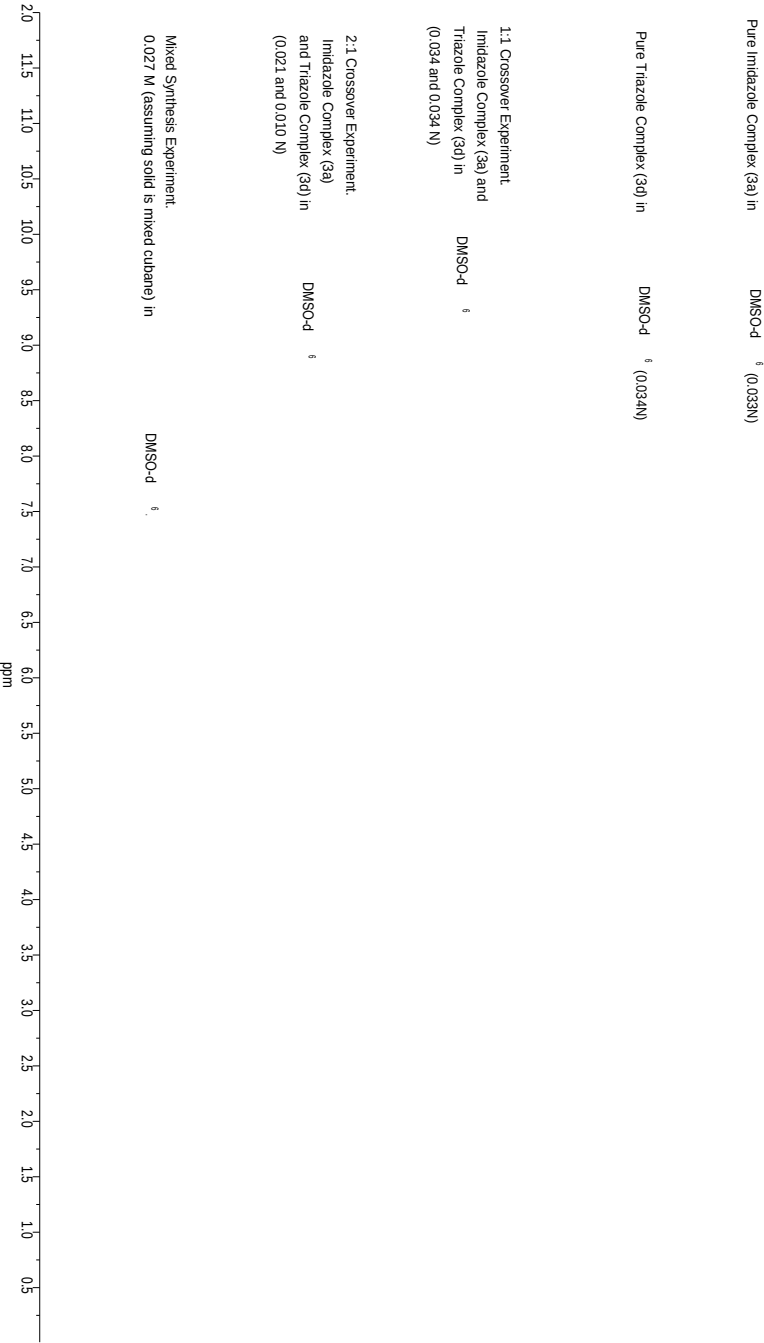


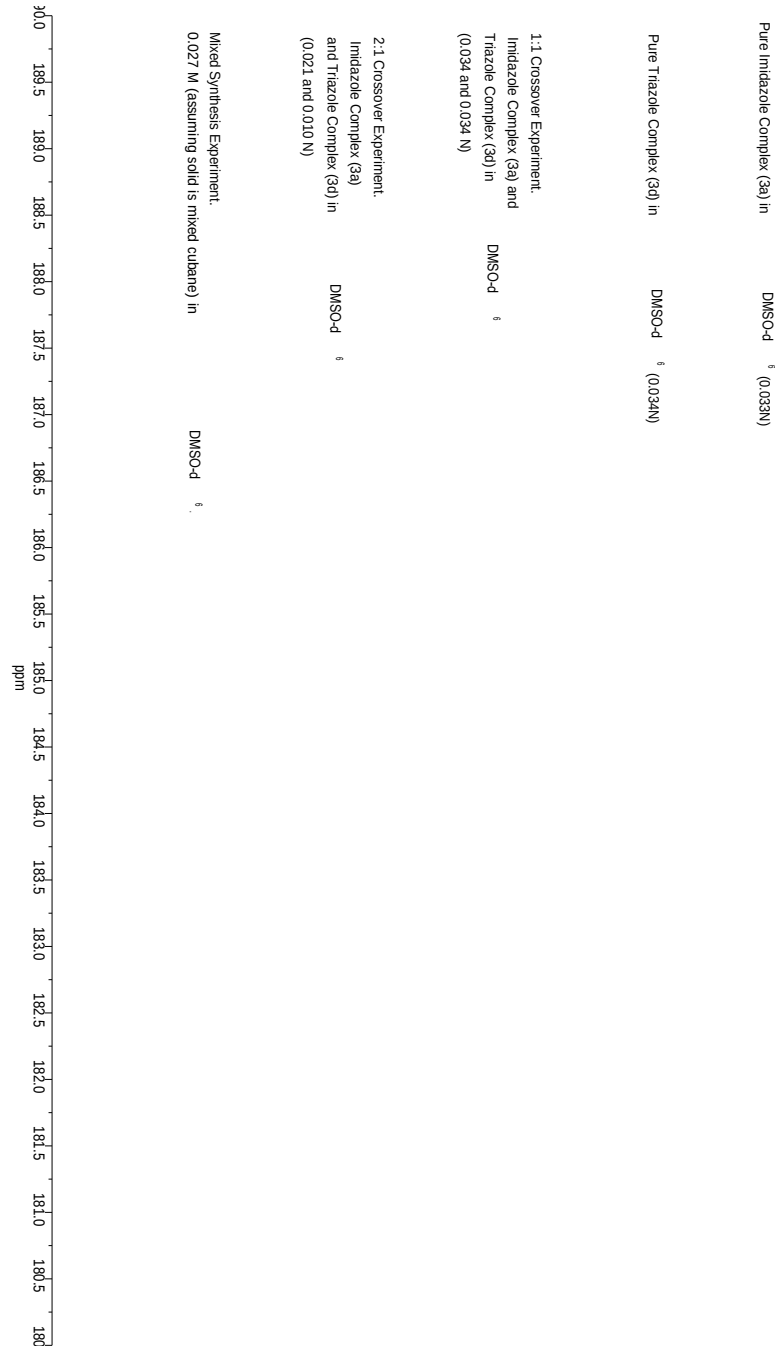
Figure S 19. VT  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Triazole-AgBr complex **3e** (0.002 N) in DMF. 125.8 MHz.



**Figure S 20.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR of Cross-Over Experiments



**Figure S 21.**  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR of Cross-Over Experiments.



**Table S 33** Crossover Experiment Triazolyl  $^{13}\text{C}_{\text{carbene}}$  Data

|                 | Triazolyl $^{13}\text{C}_{\text{carbene}}$ | $\Delta^a$ | [ <b>3d</b> ] |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Pure <b>3d</b>  | 186.15                                     | 0          | 0.034         |
| 1:1 (3a:3d)     | 186.28                                     | 0.13       | 0.034         |
| 2:1 (3a:3d)     | 186.29                                     | 0.14       | 0.010         |
| Mixed Synthesis | 186.29                                     | 0.14       | 0.027         |

<sup>a</sup> Difference between  $^{13}\text{C}_{\text{carbene}}$  signal observed and for pure Triazole complex **3d** in DMSO-d<sup>6</sup>.

**Table S 34** Crossover Experiment Imidazolyl  $^{13}\text{C}_{\text{carbene}}$  Data

|                 | Imidazolyl $^{13}\text{C}_{\text{carbene}}$ | $\Delta^a$ | [ <b>3a</b> ] |
|-----------------|---------------------------------------------|------------|---------------|
| Pure <b>3a</b>  | 181.91                                      | 0          | 0.033         |
| 1:1 (3a:3d)     | 182.36                                      | 0.45       | 0.034         |
| 2:1 (3a:3d)     | 182.20                                      | 0.29       | 0.021         |
| Mixed Synthesis | 182.28                                      | 0.37       | 0.027         |

<sup>a</sup> Difference between  $^{13}\text{C}_{\text{carbene}}$  signal observed and for pure imidazol complex **3a** in DMSO-d<sup>6</sup>.

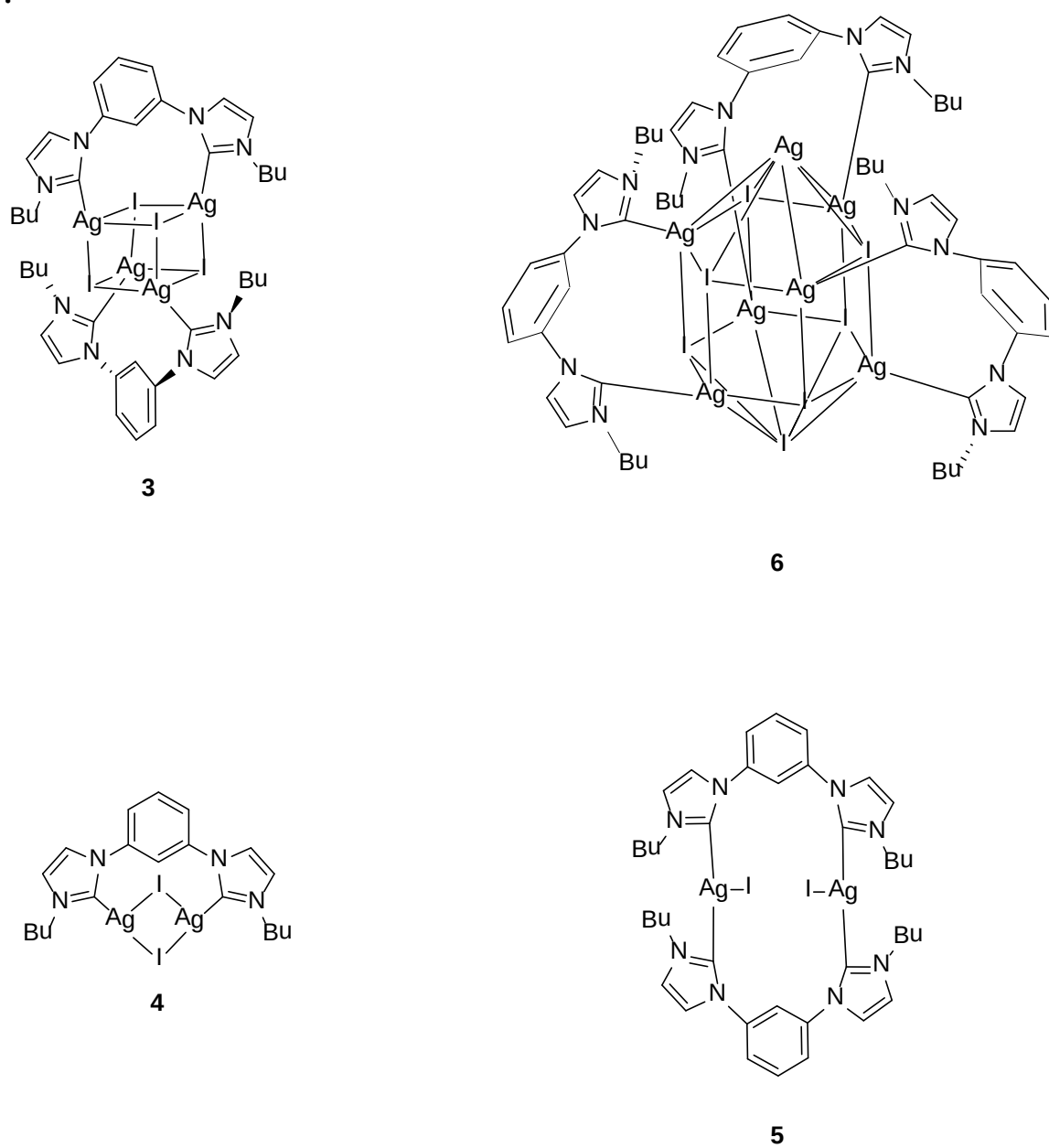


Figure S 22

Figure S 23. ESI-TOF MS spectrum of a solution of Complex 3.

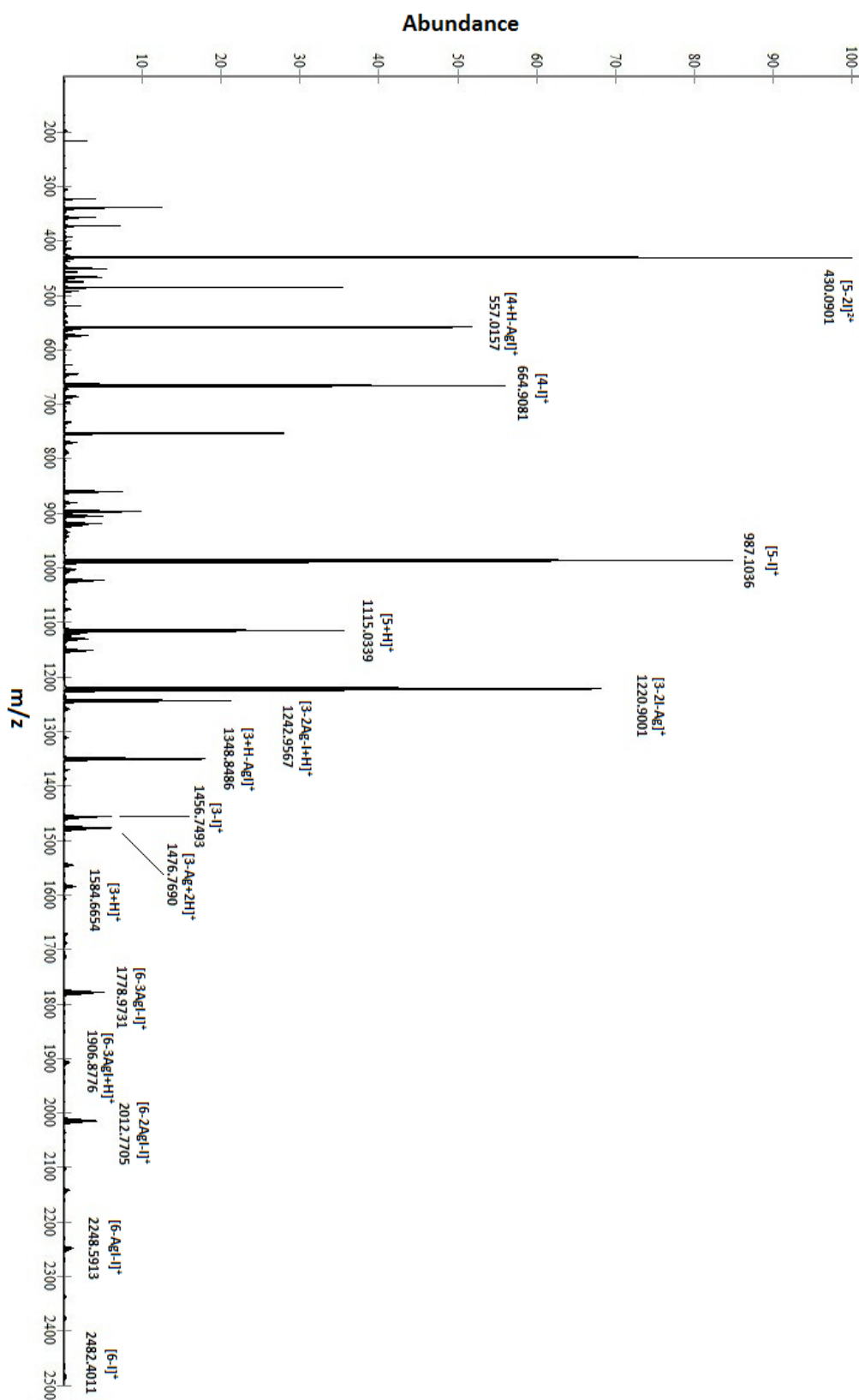




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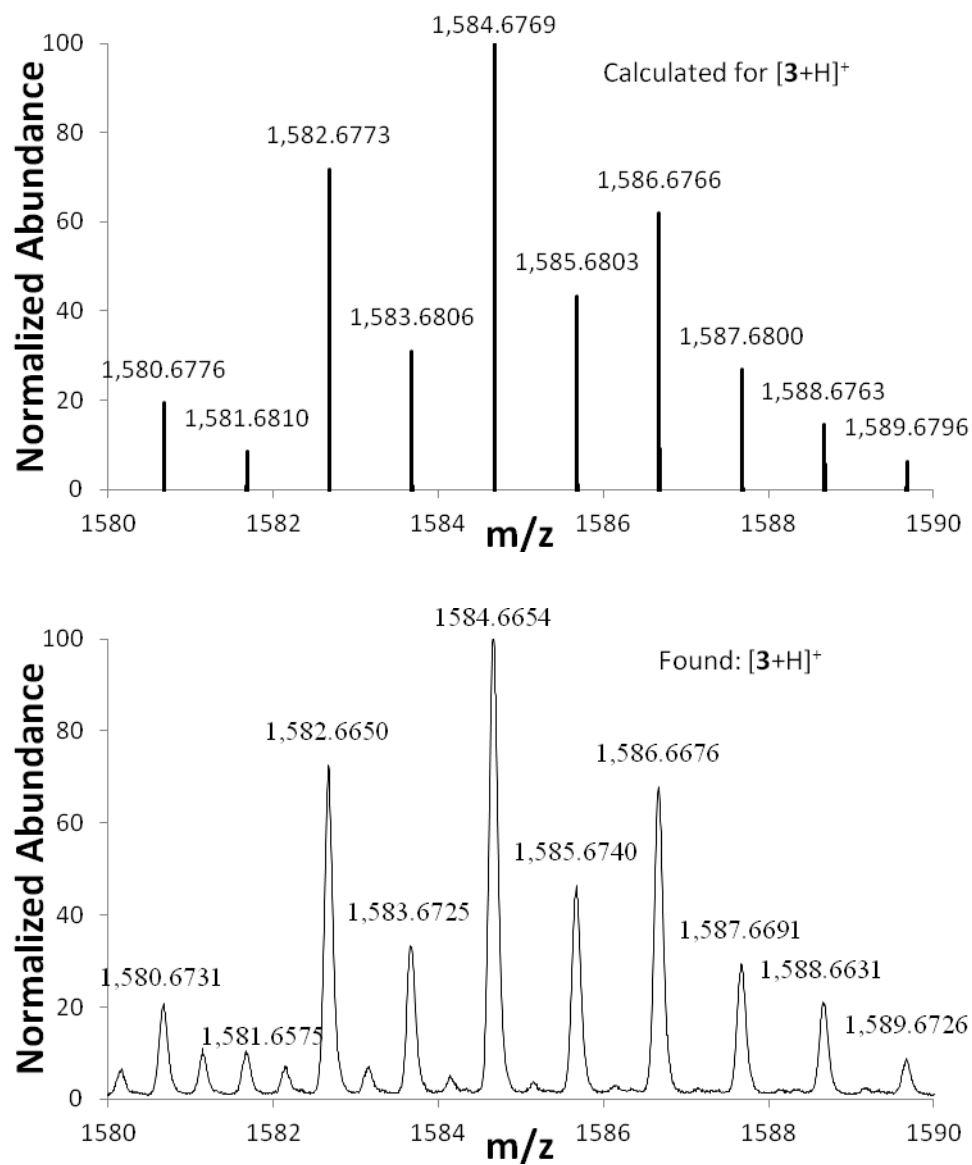


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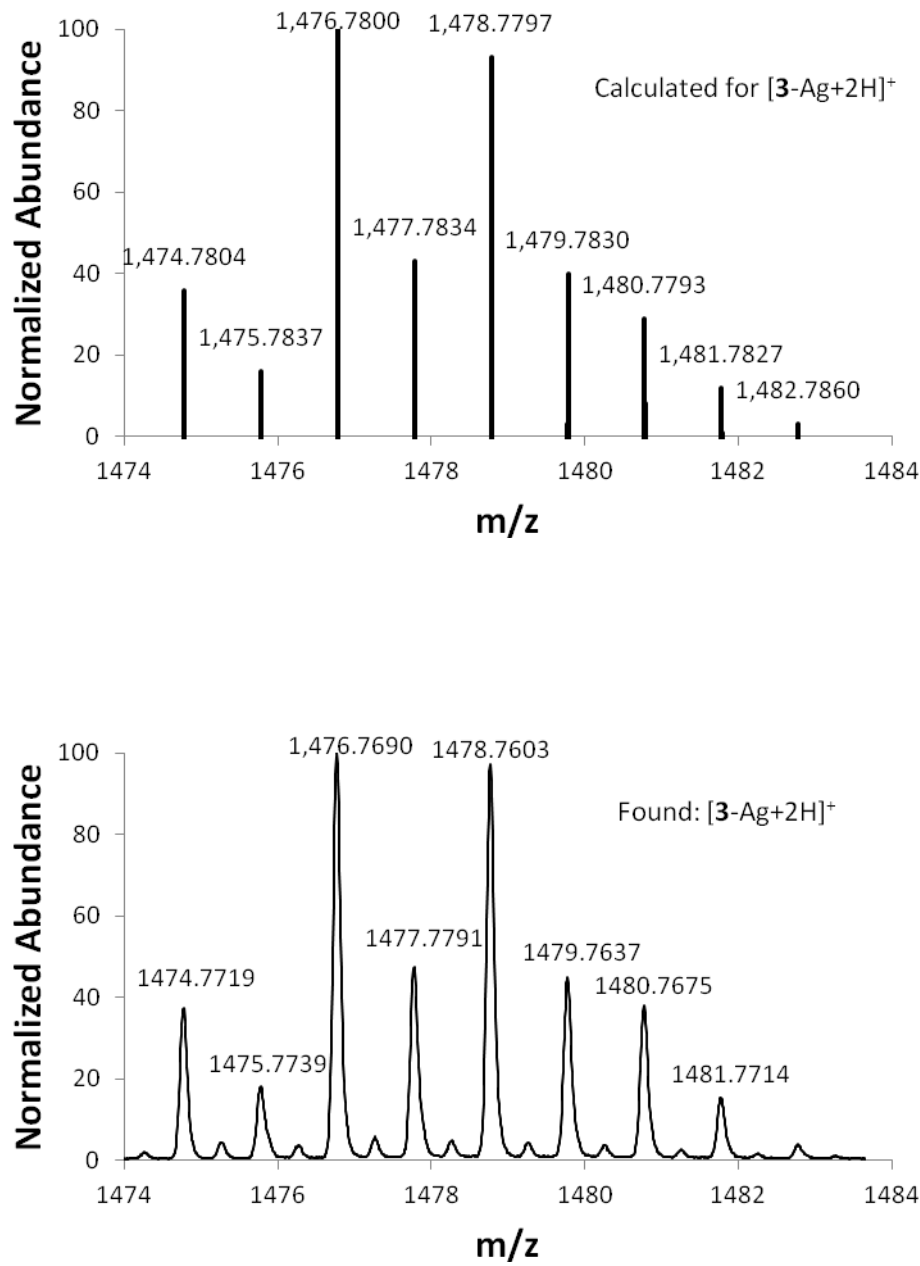


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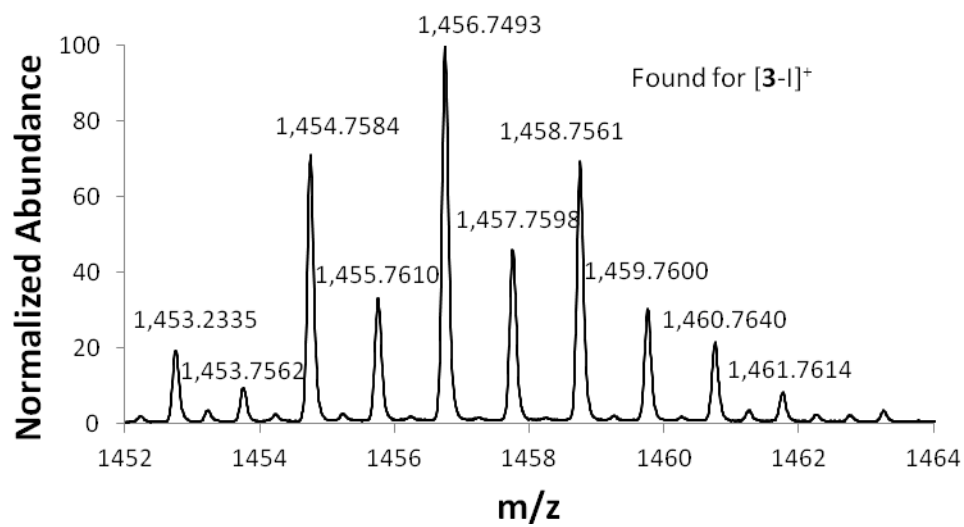
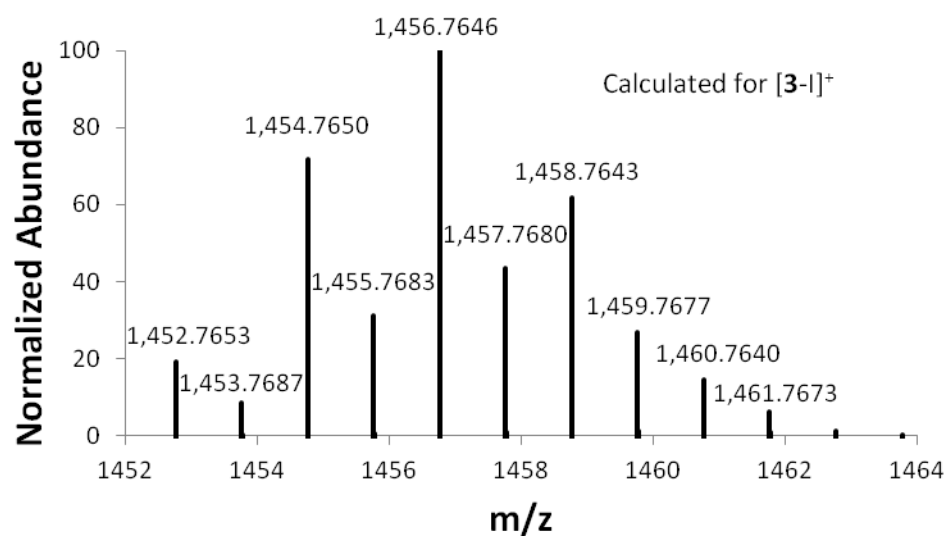
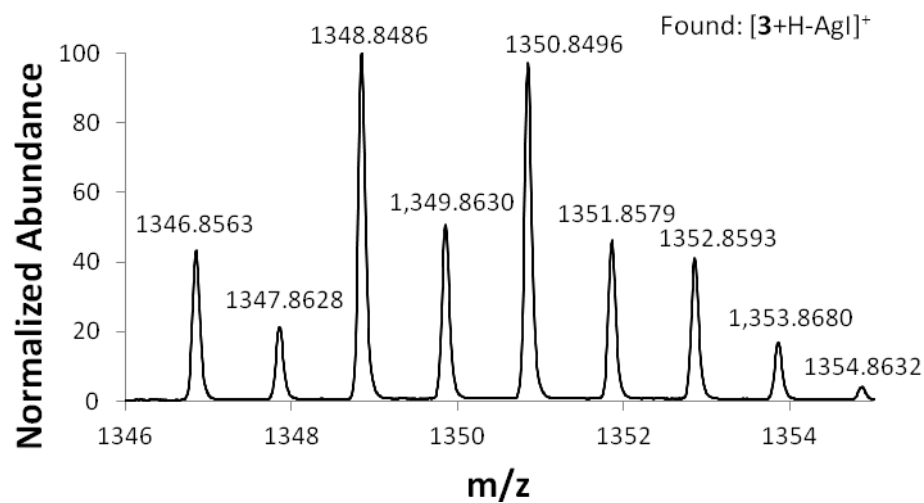
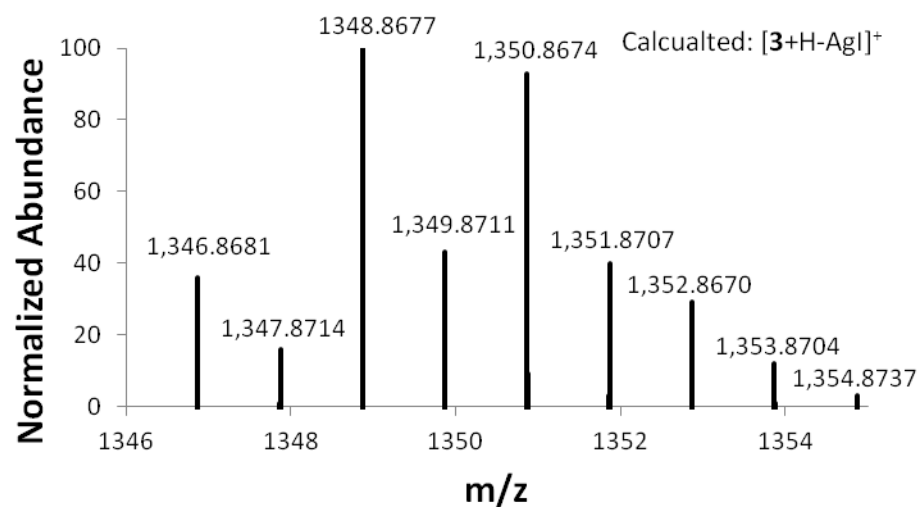


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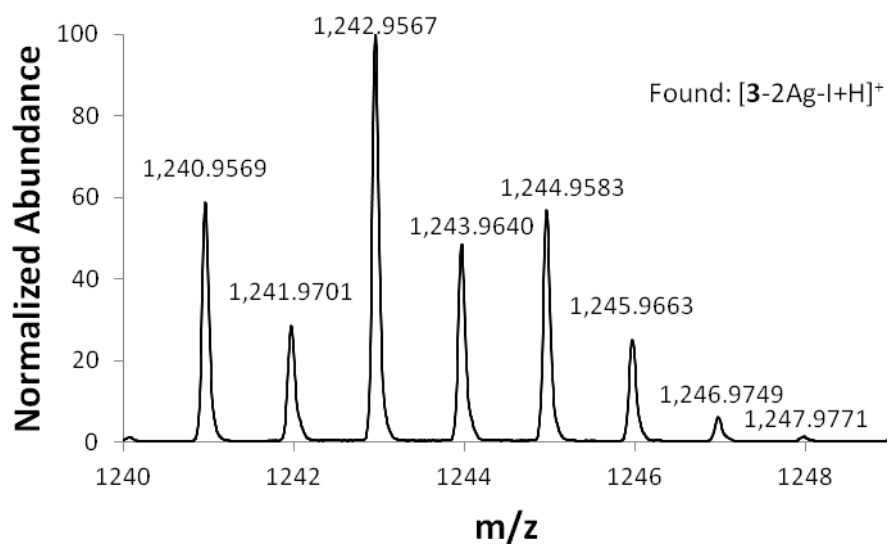
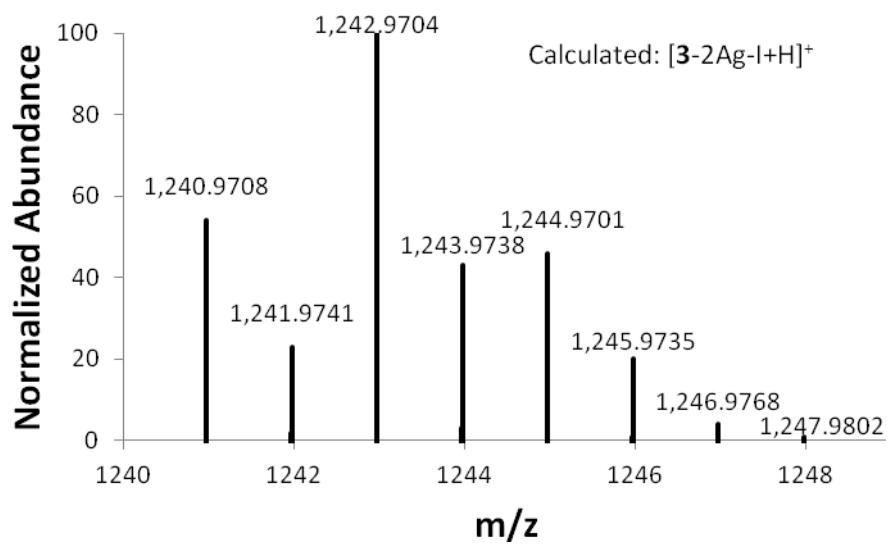


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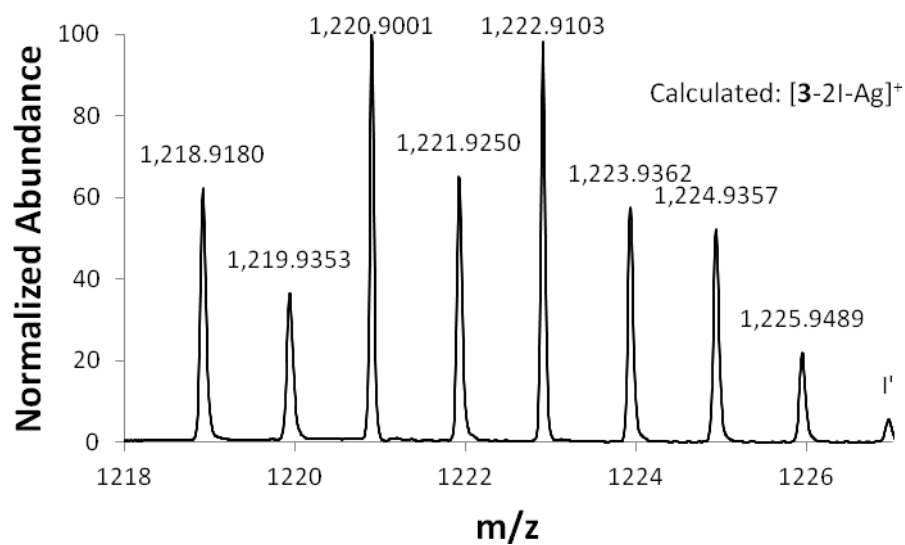
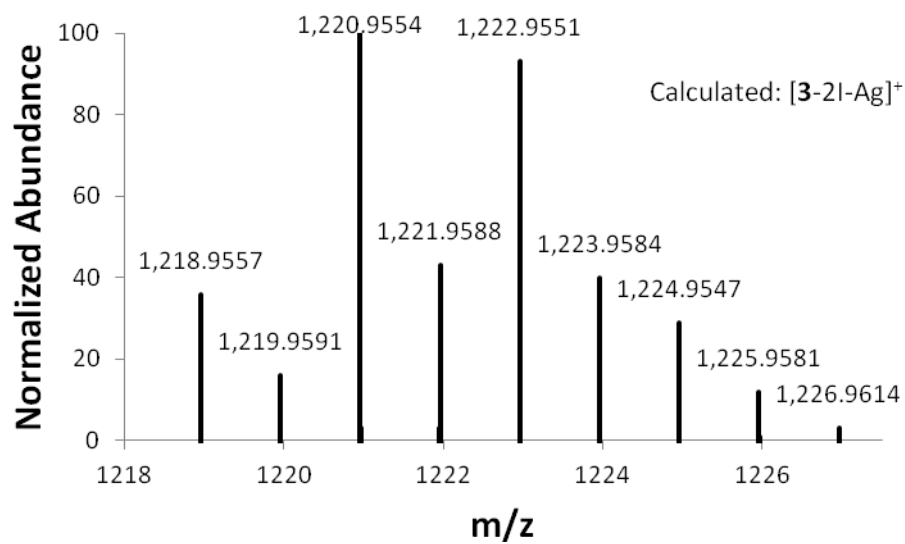


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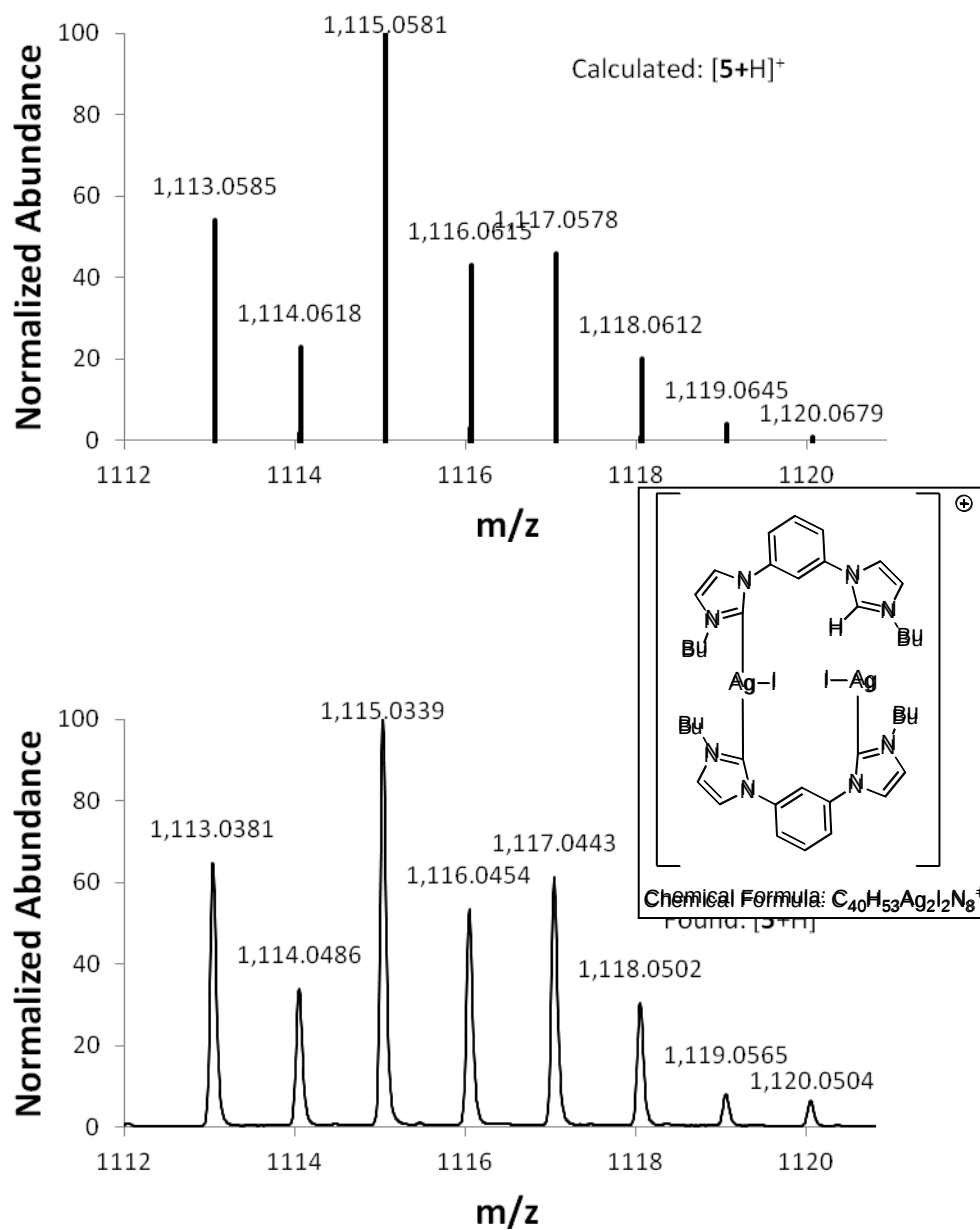


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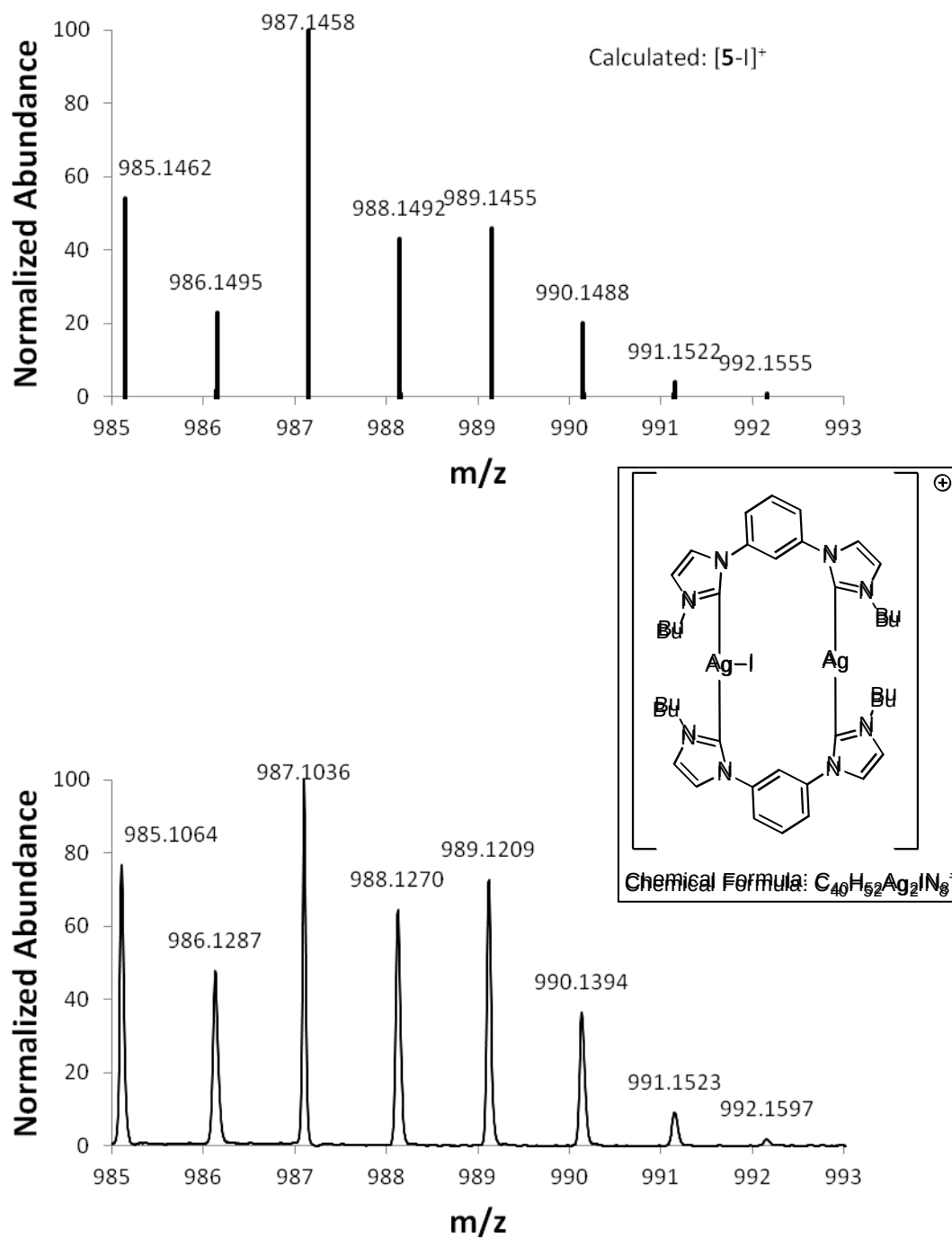




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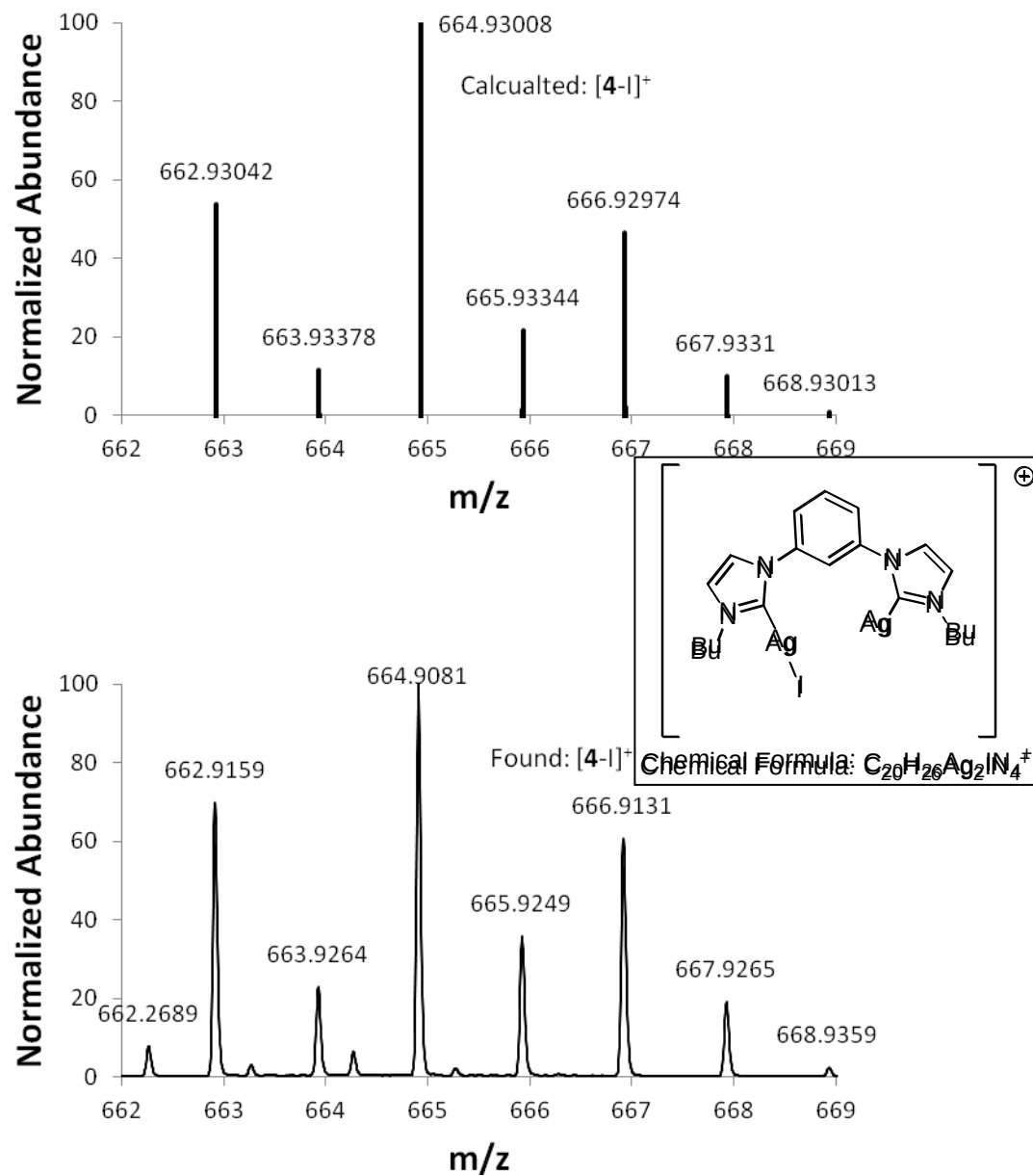


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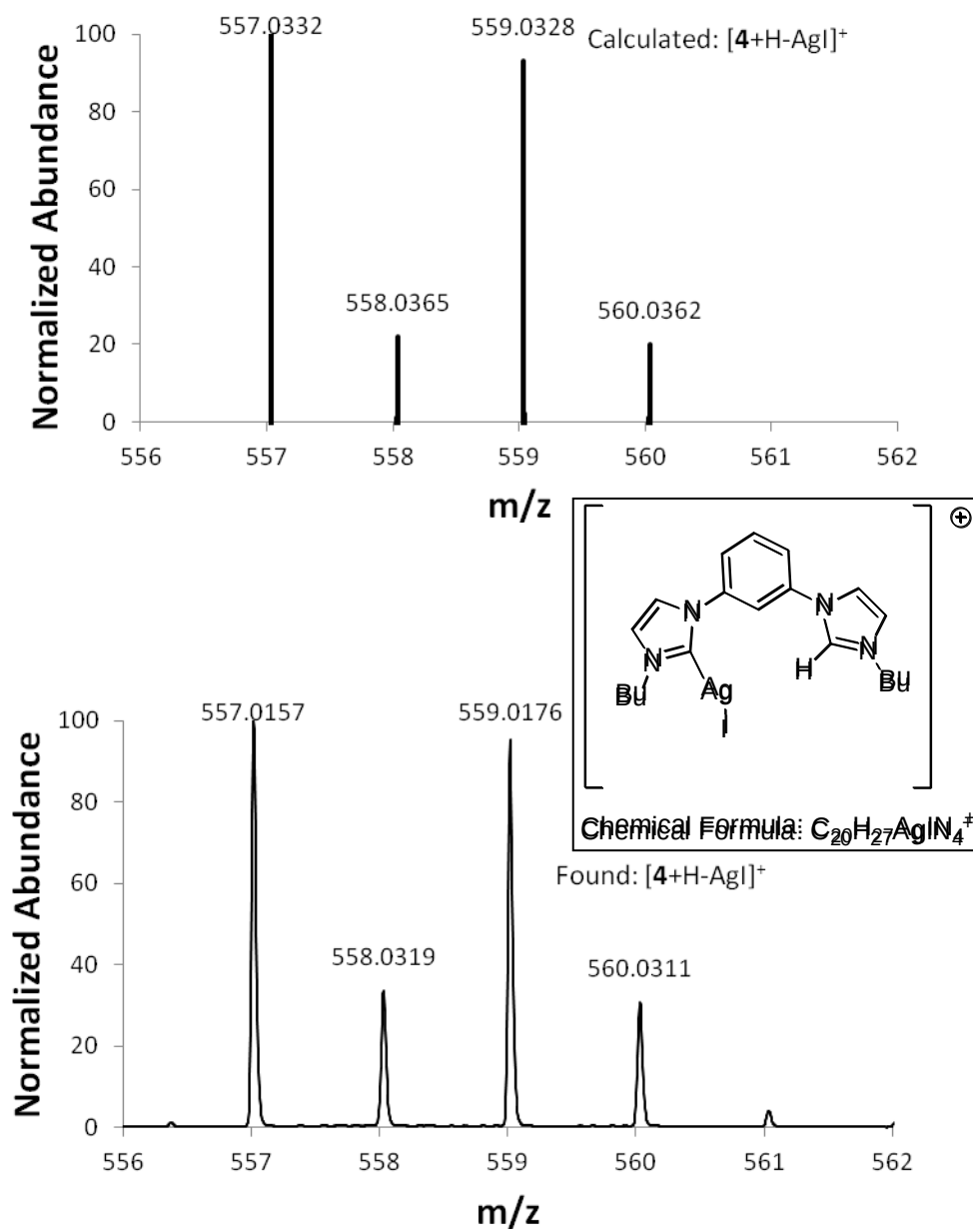


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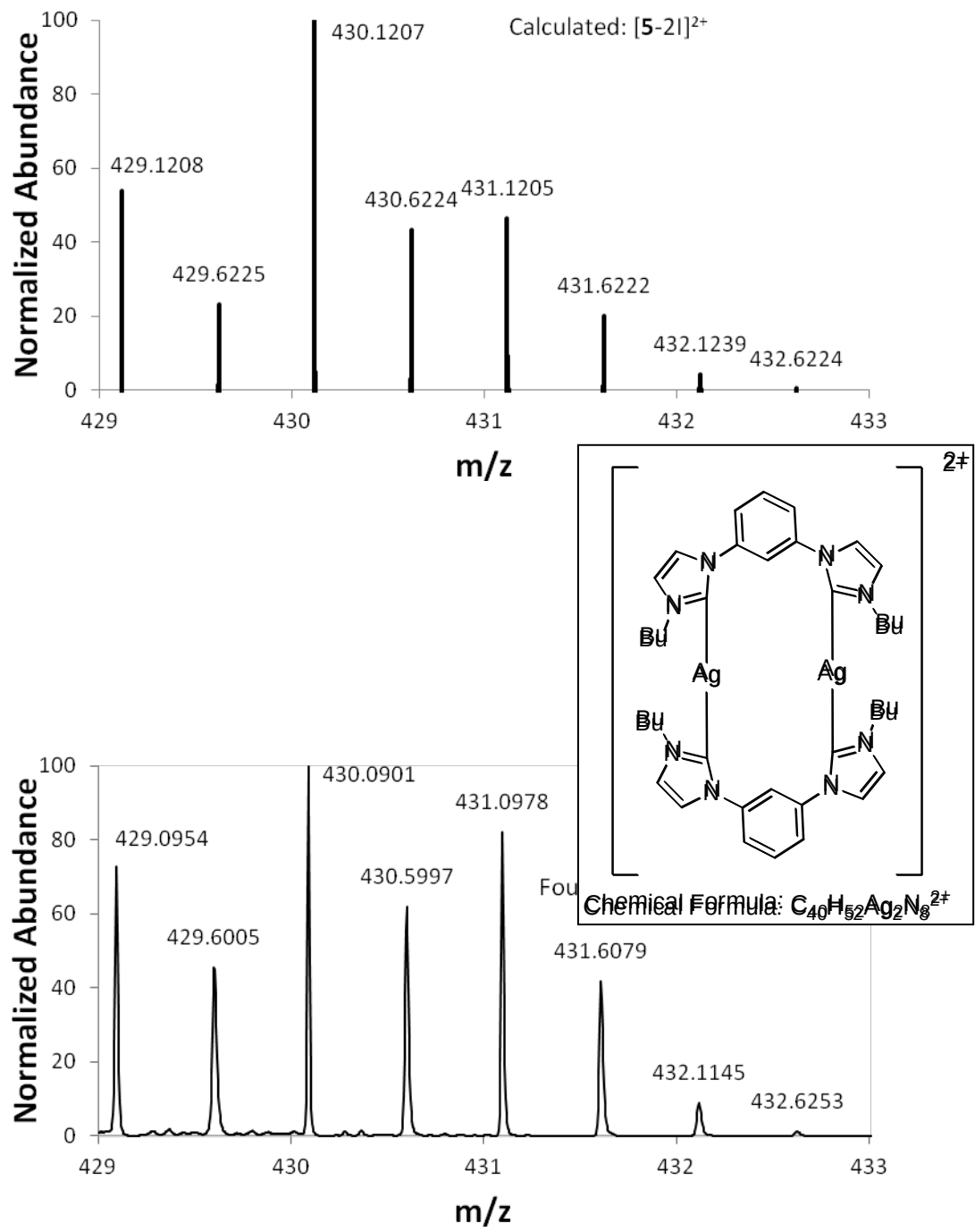


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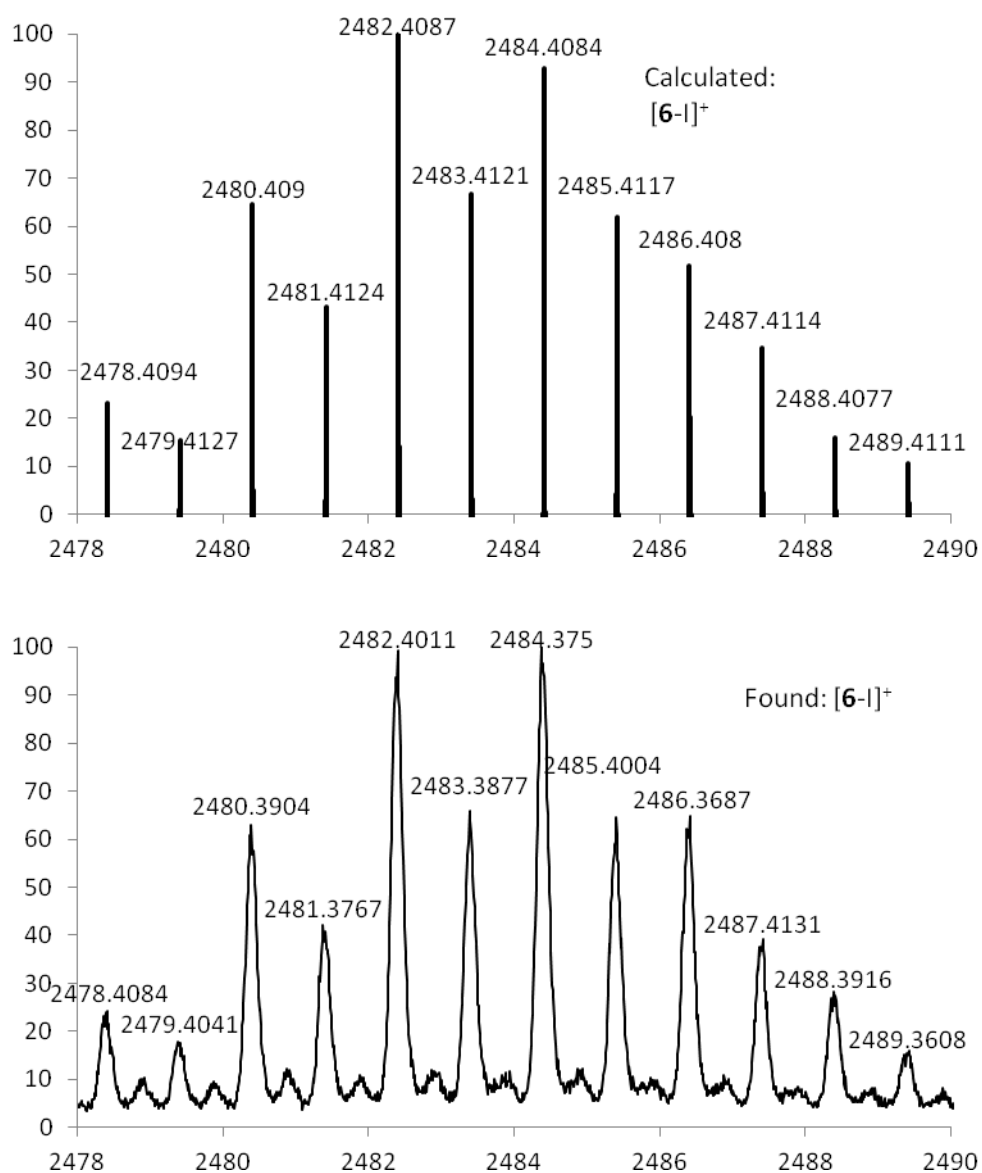


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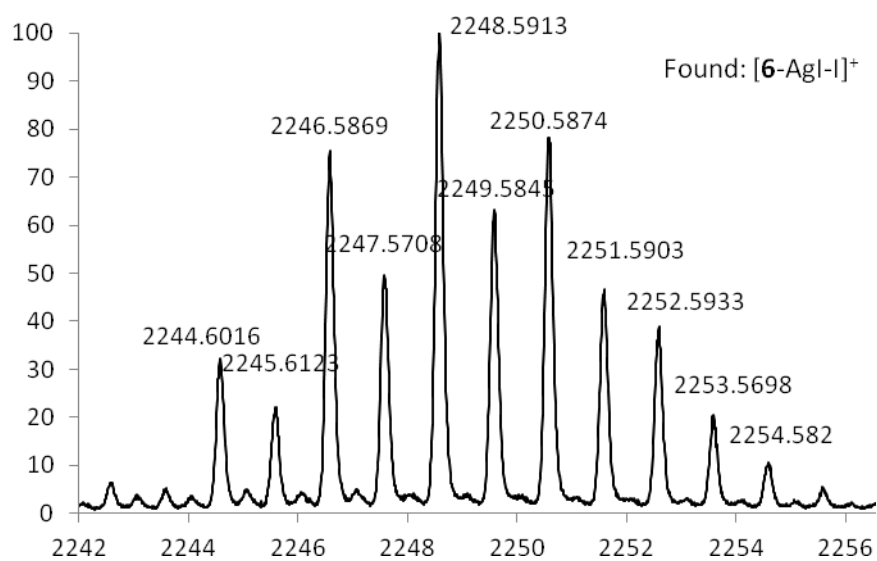
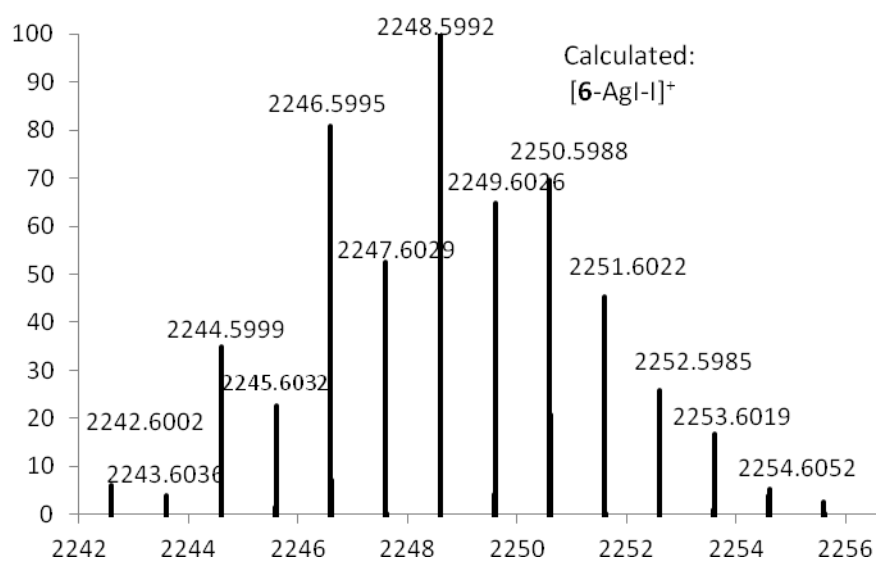


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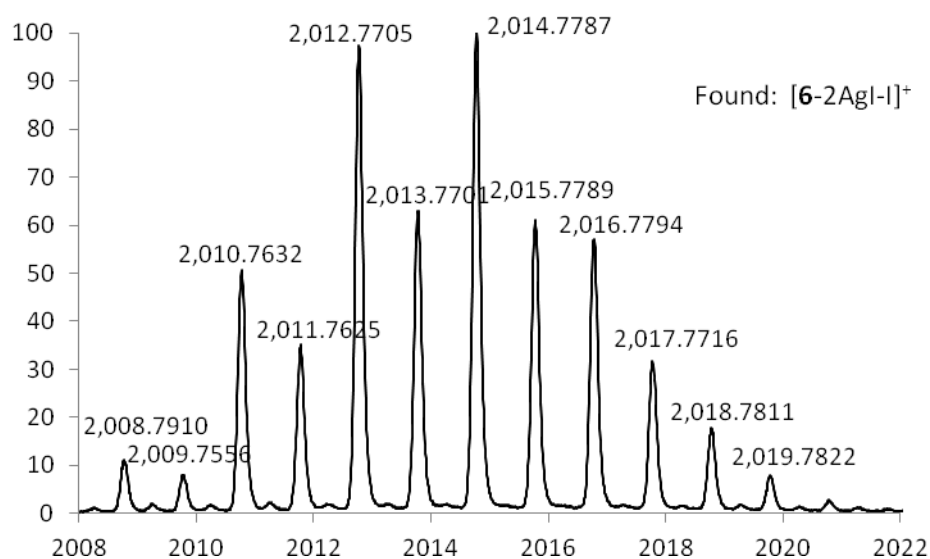
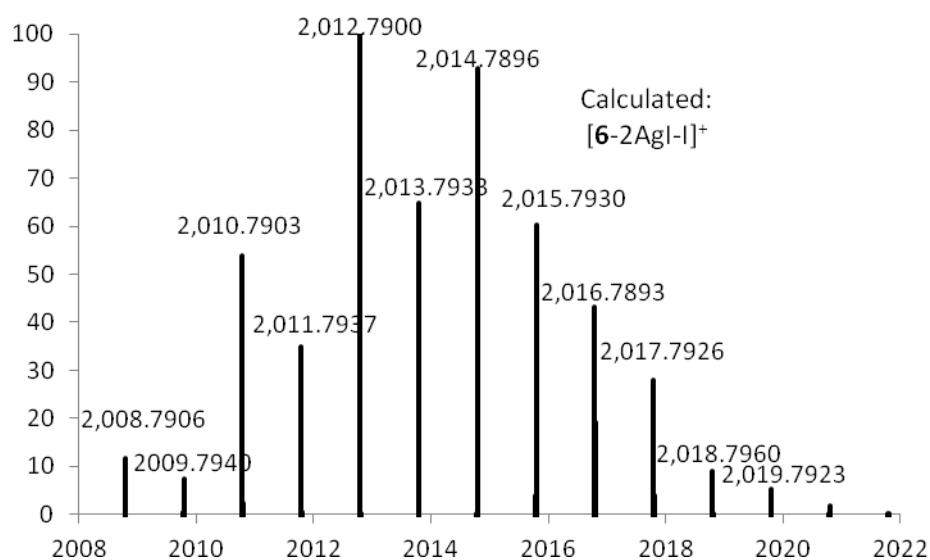


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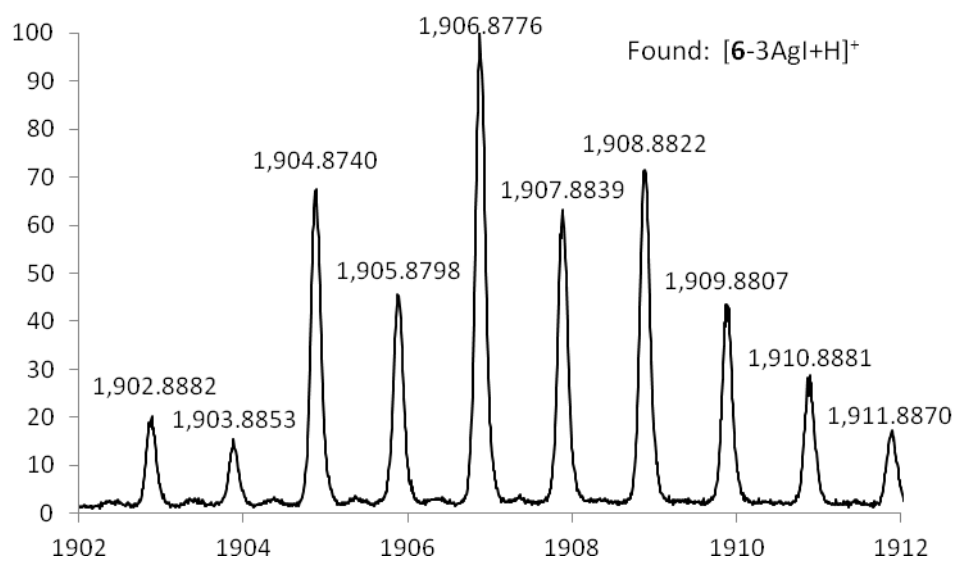
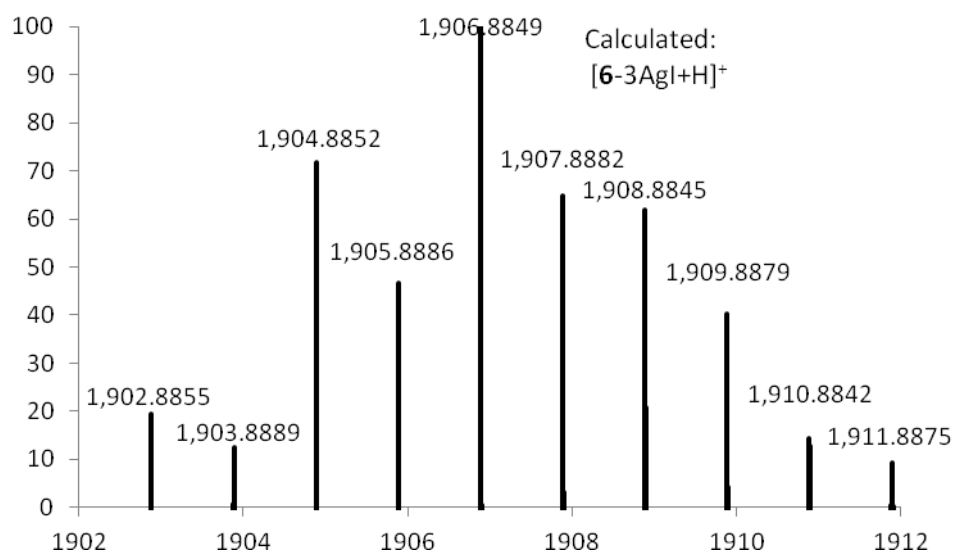
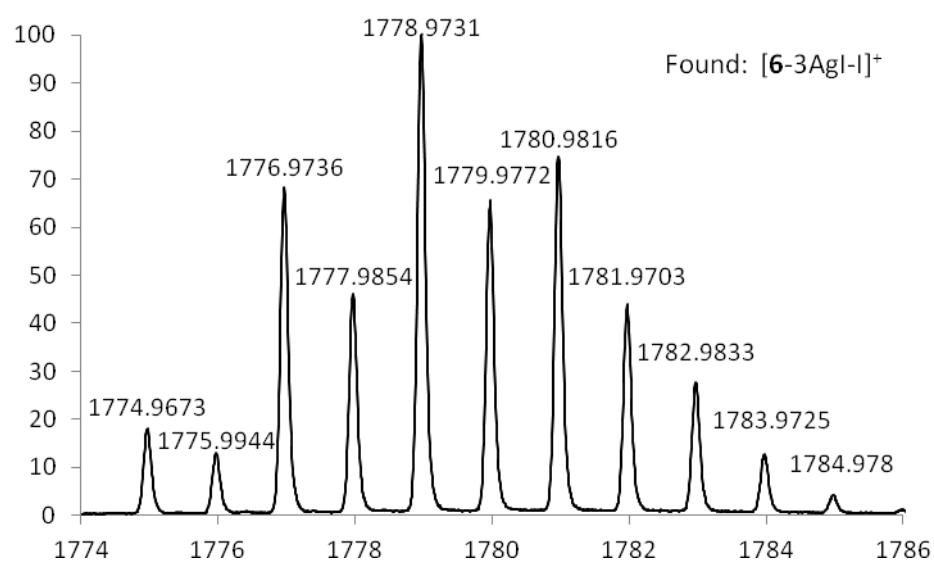
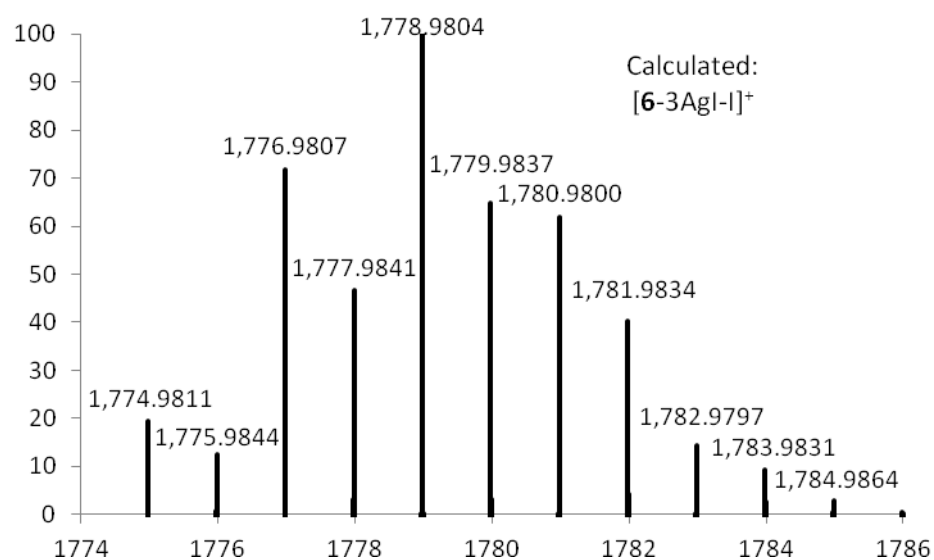
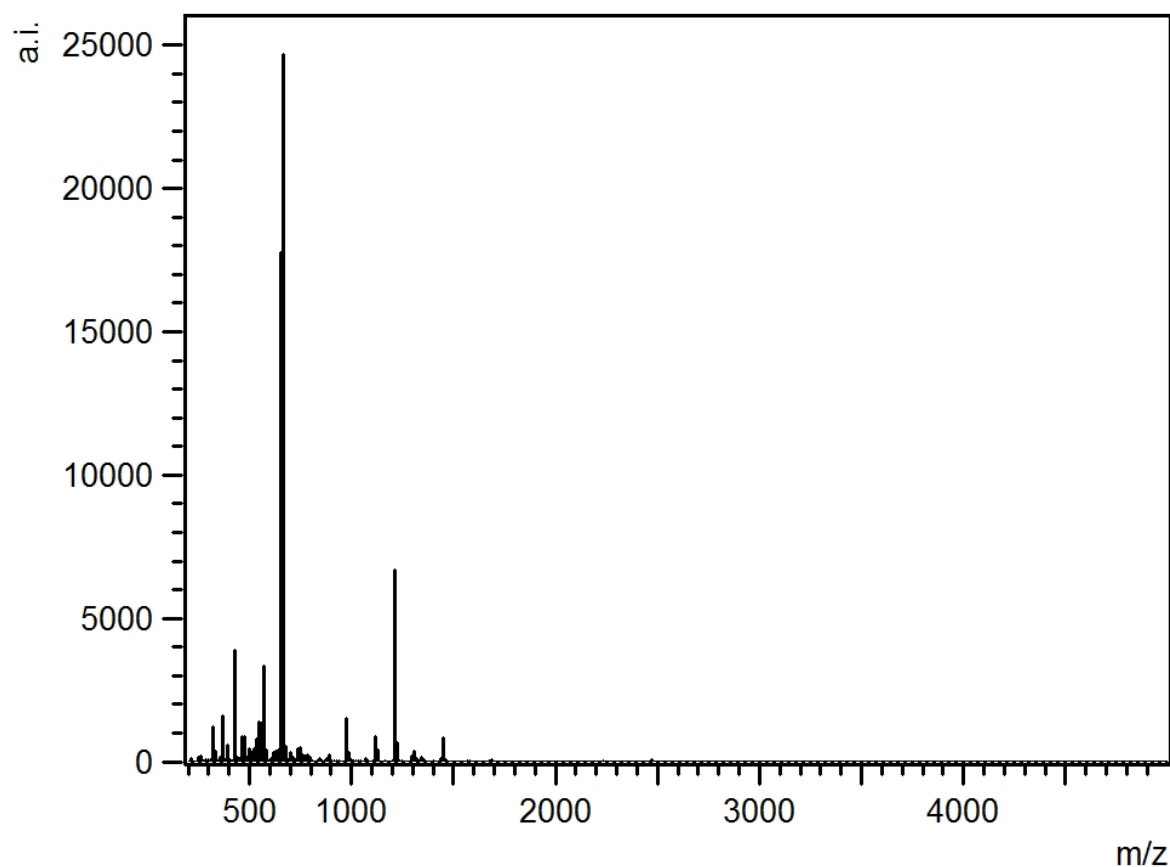


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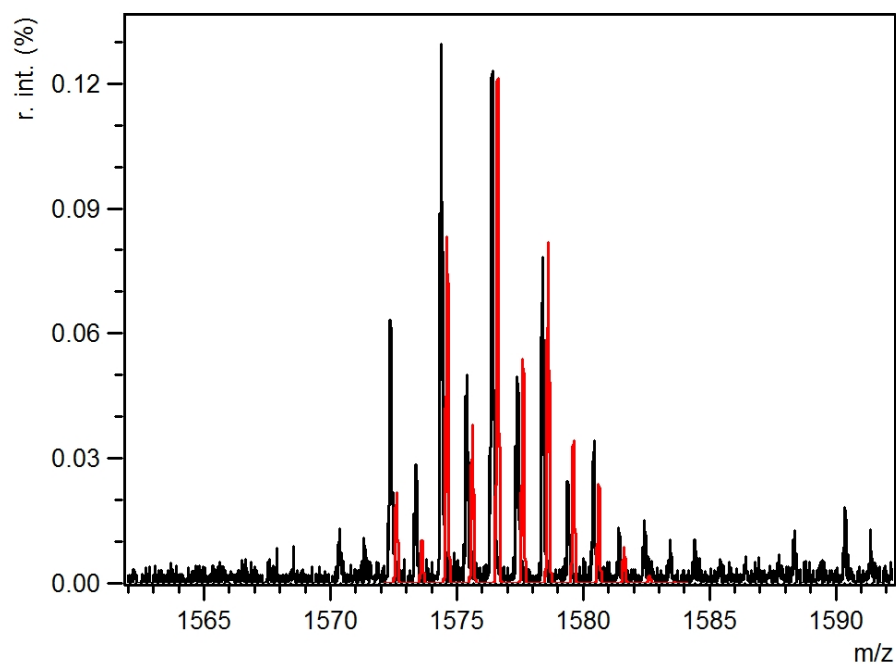




**Figure S 39.** Mass Spectrum of Bis( $\mu$ -1,3-bis(3'-but-3''-enyl-imidazol-2'-ylidene)benzene- $\kappa$ -C)tetra- $\mu^3$ -iodotetrasilver(I) (**3b**).

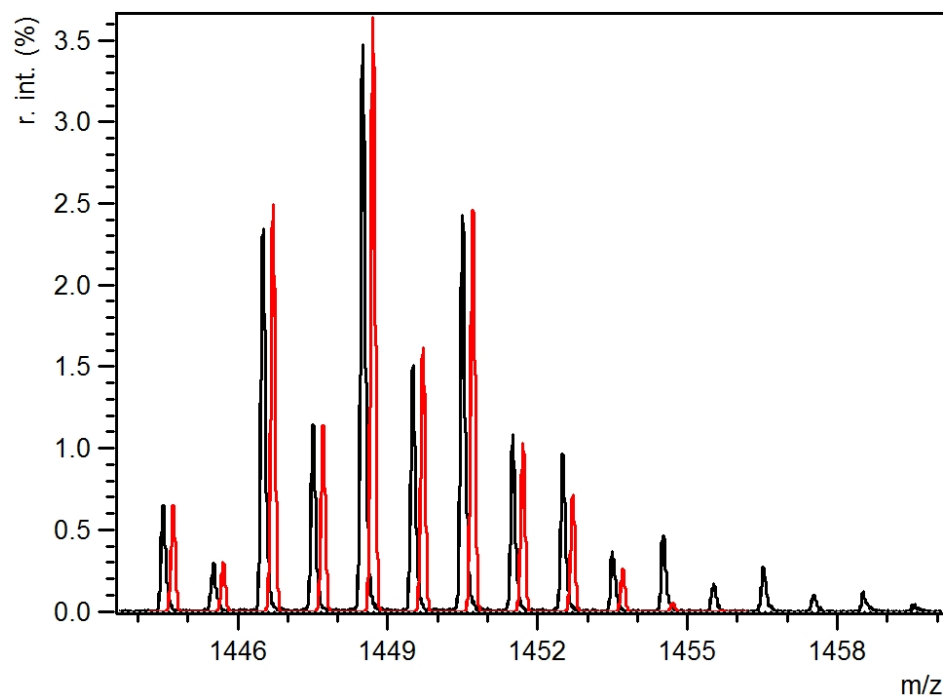


**Figure S 40.** Calculated for  $C_{40}H_{45}Ag_4I_4N_8$  [**3b**+H] (red) and Observed (black).

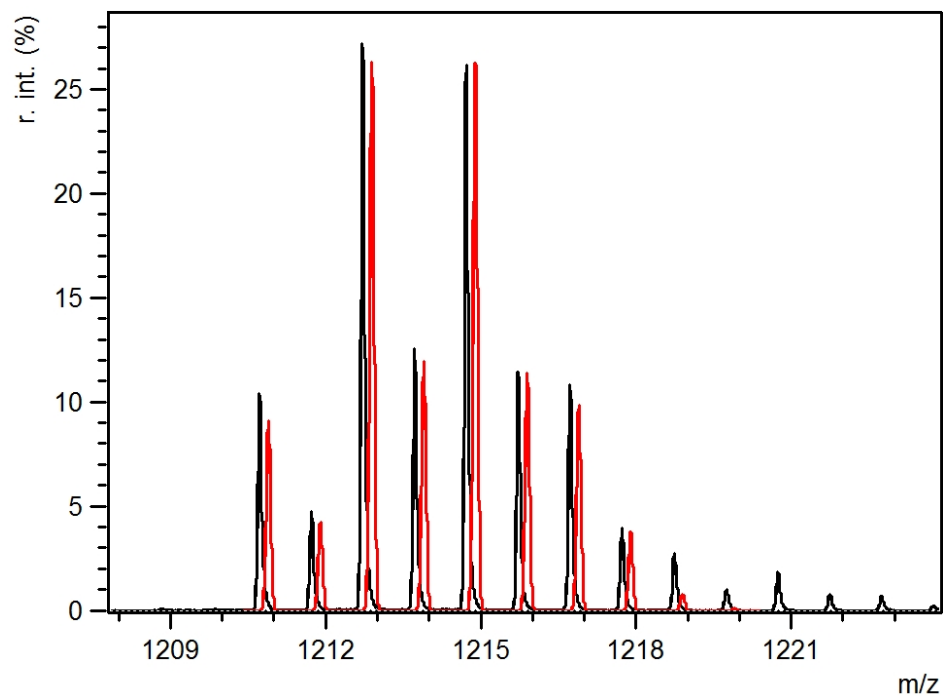


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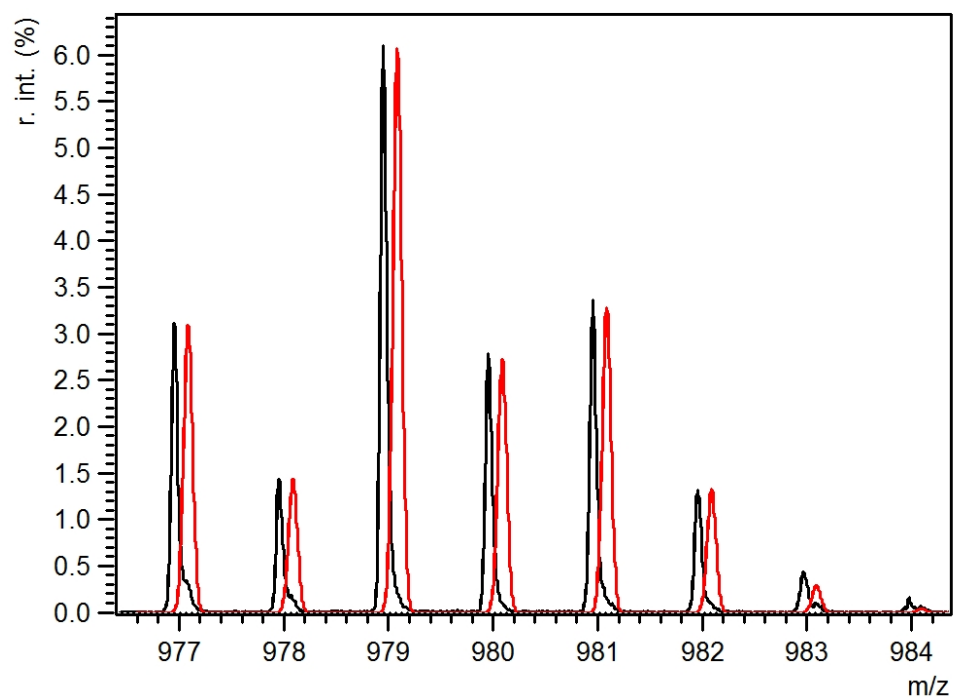
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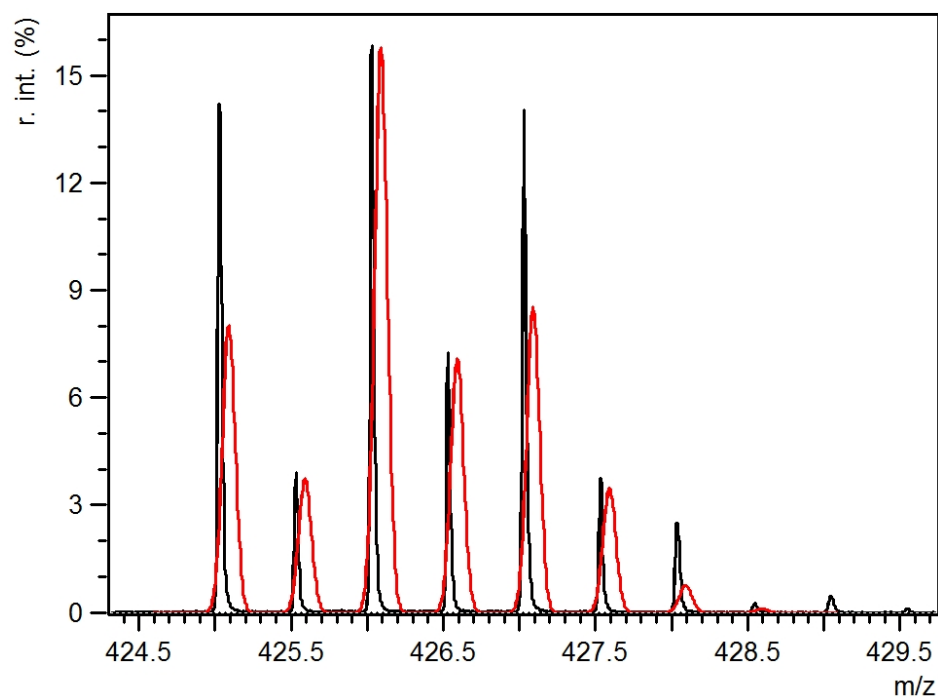
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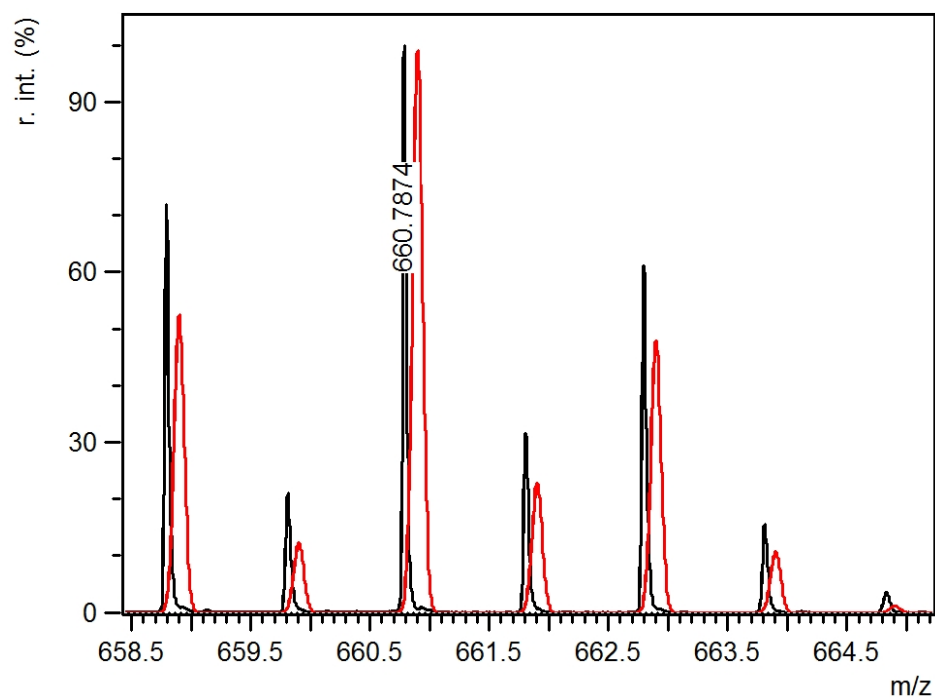
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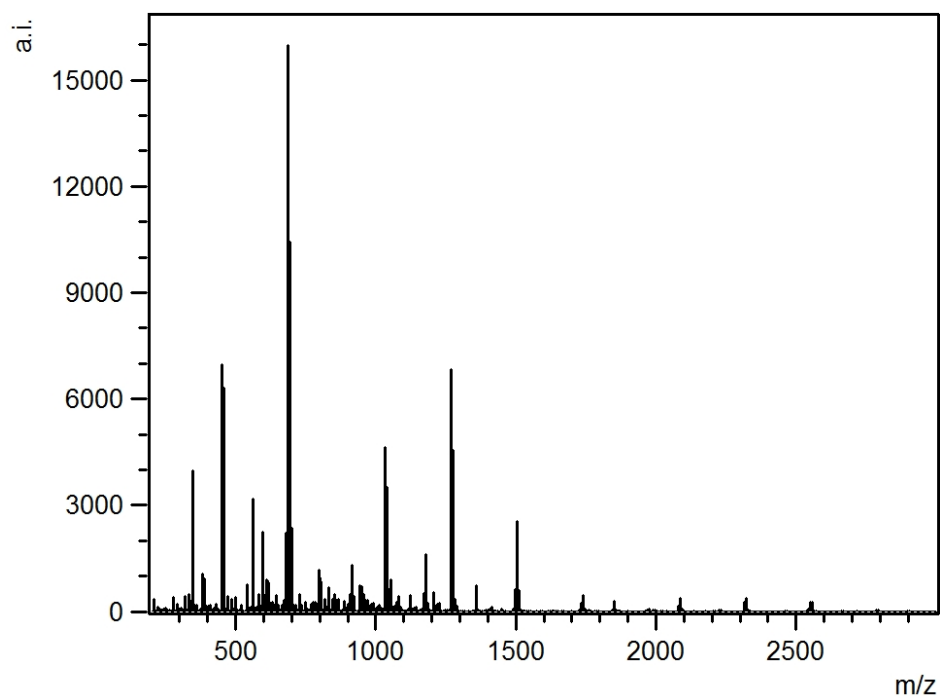
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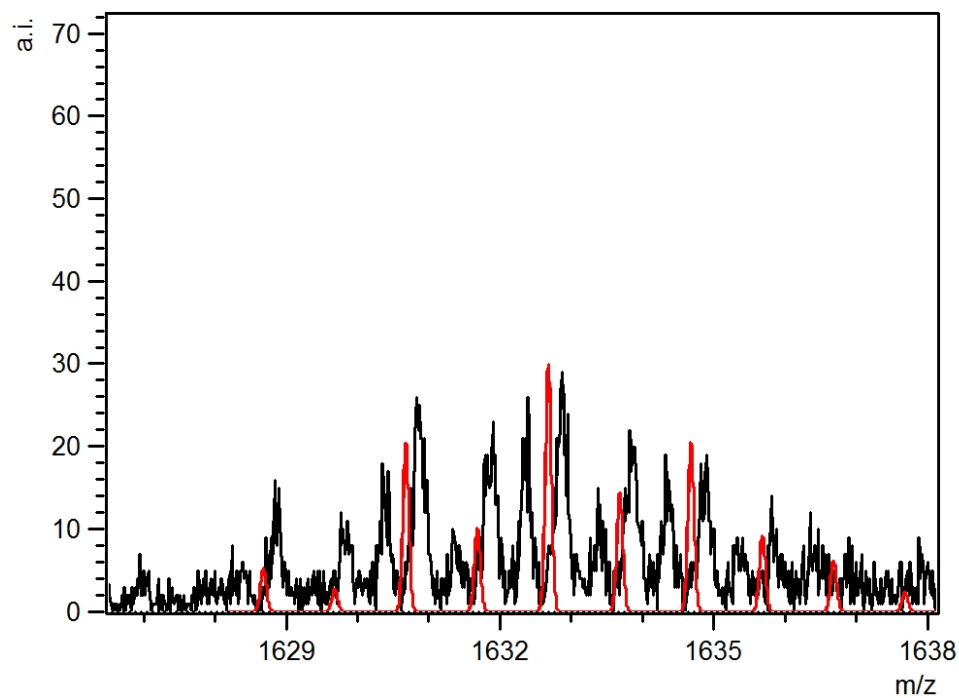
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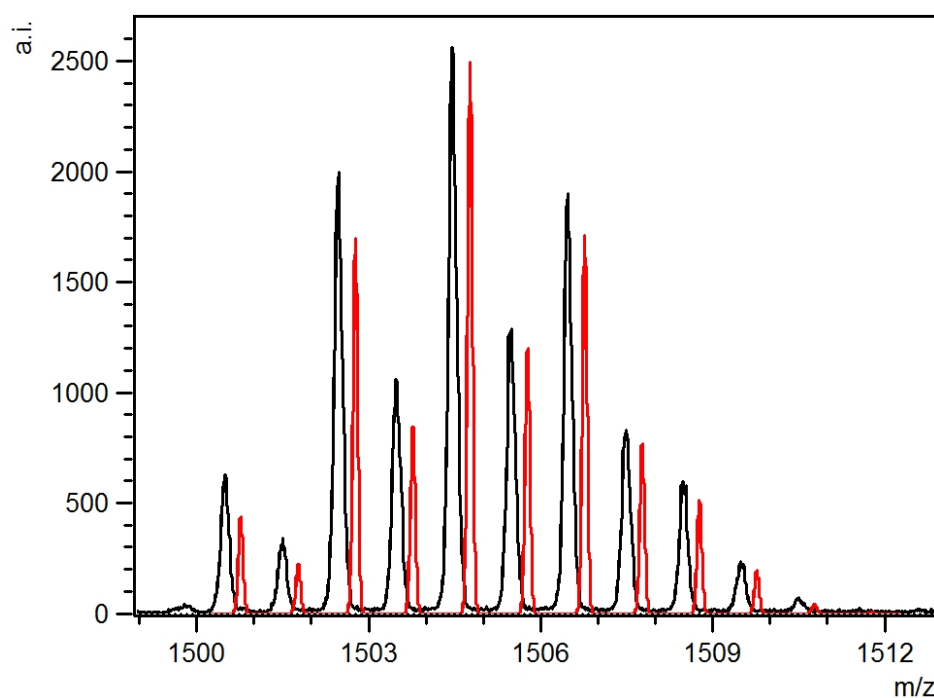
**Figure S 46.** Mass Spectrum of Complex **3c**.



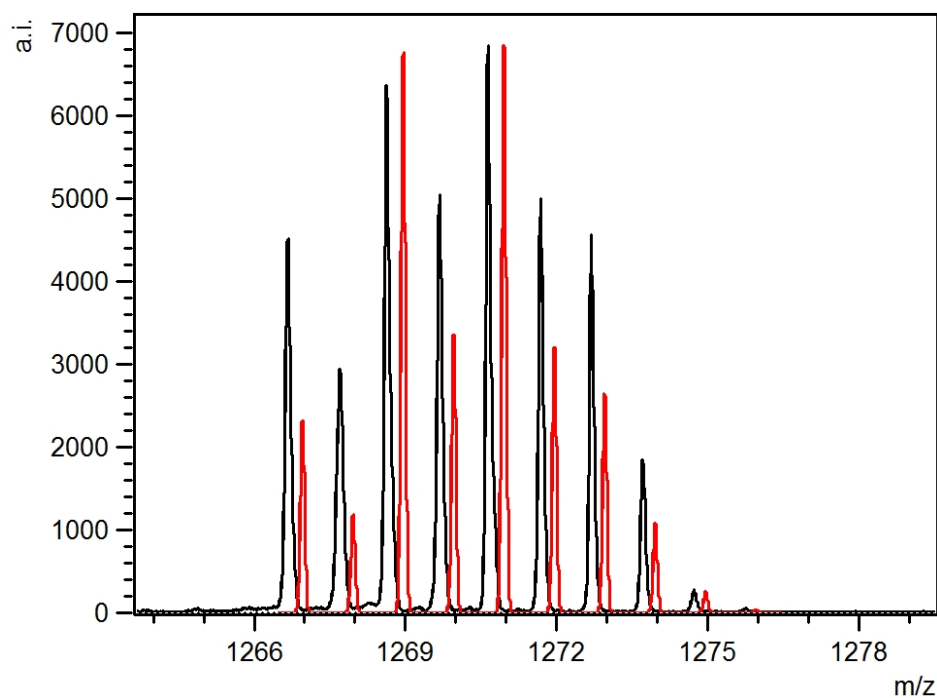
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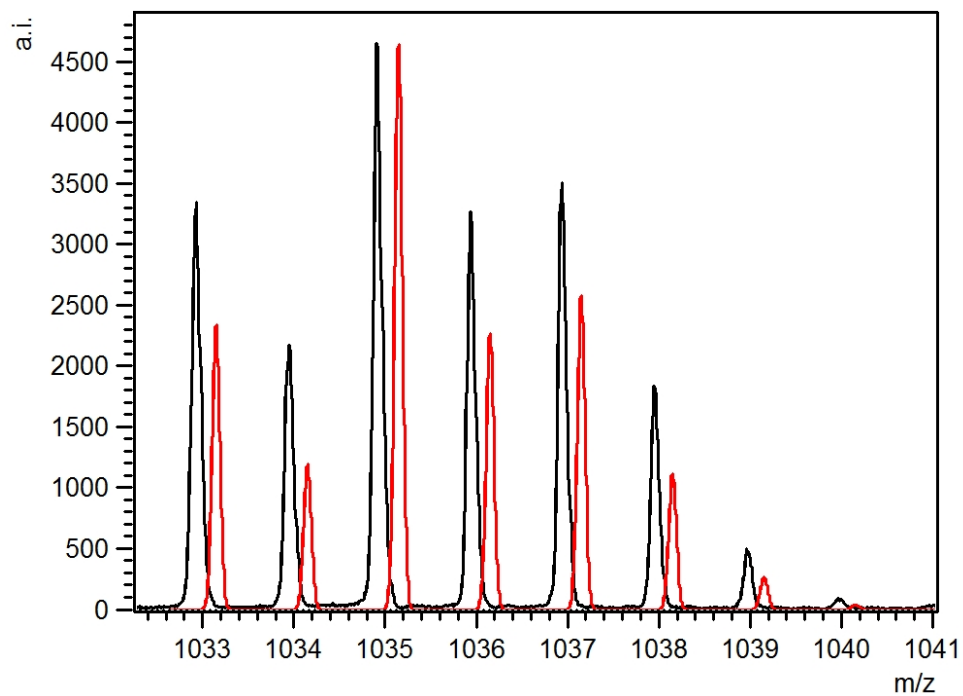
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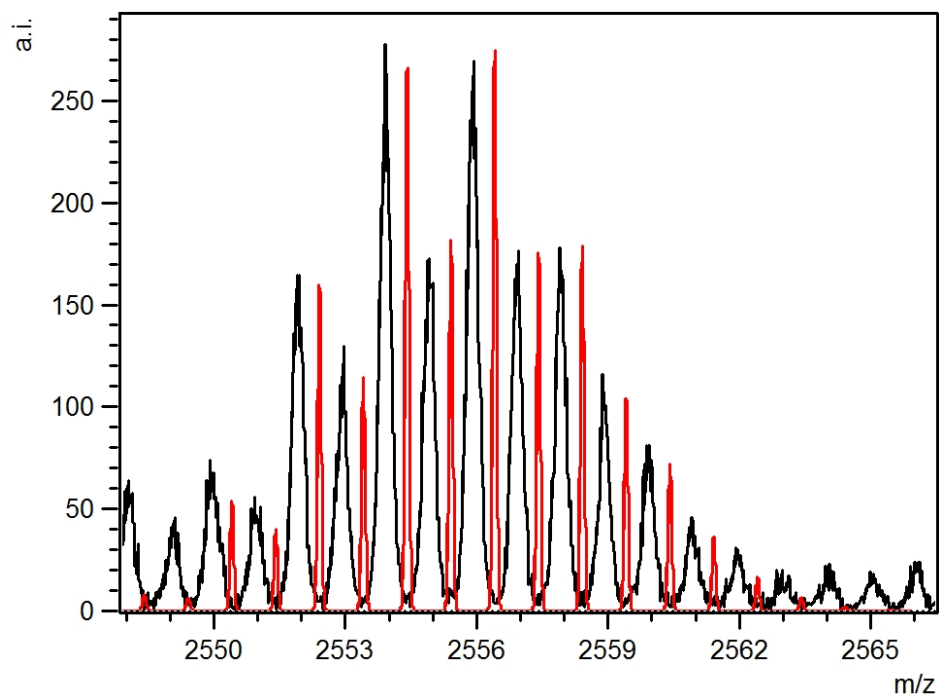
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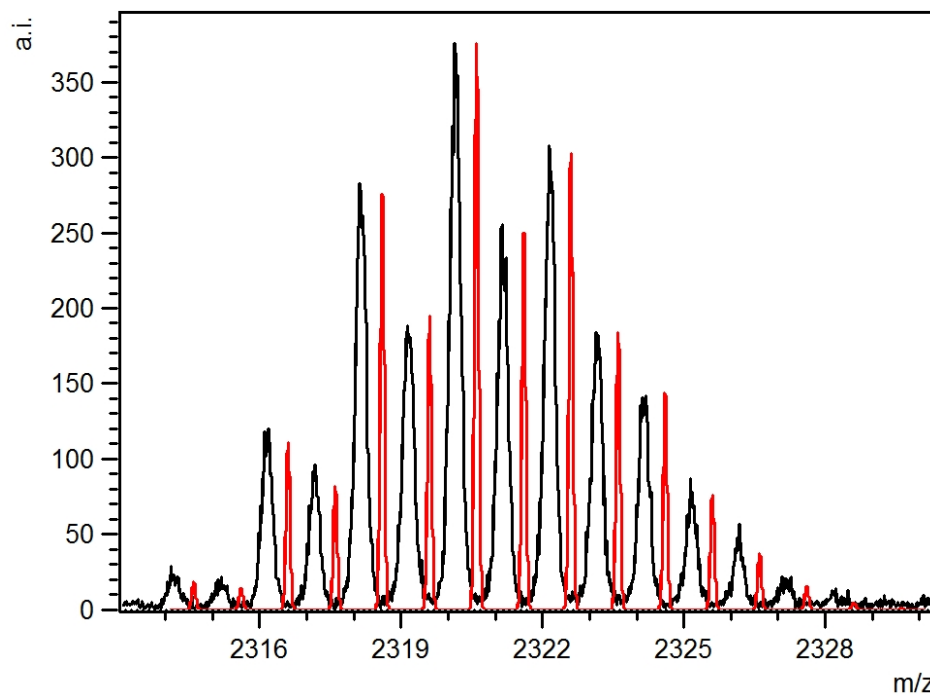
**Figure S 50.** Calculated for  $C_{44}H_{52}Ag_2IN_8$  [**3c**-2AgI-I] (red) and Observed (black).



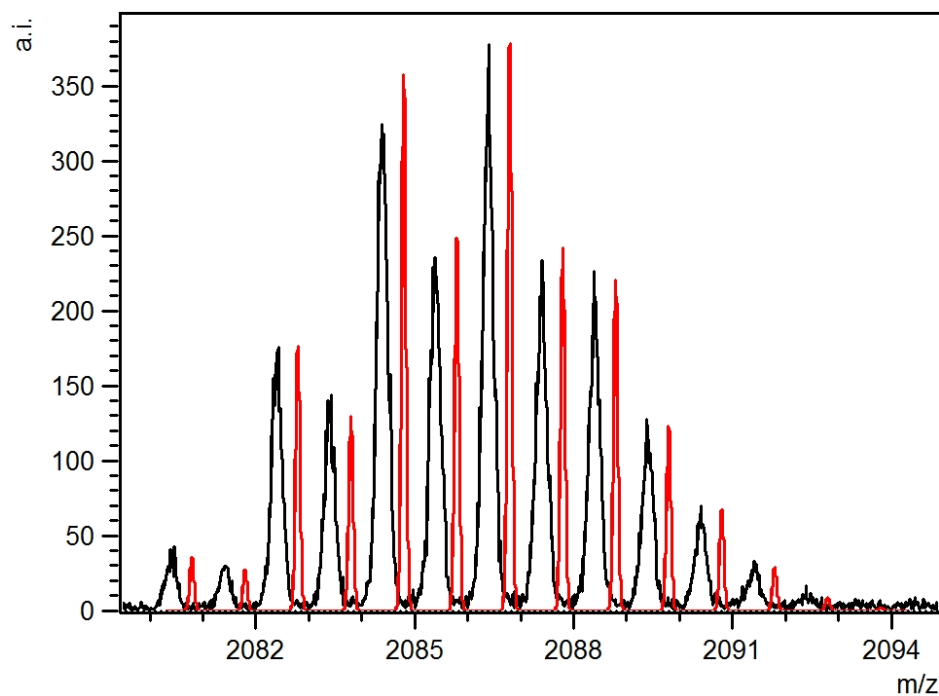
**Figure S 51.** Calculated for  $C_{66}H_{78}Ag_7I_6N_8$  [**3c**+ $C_{22}H_{26}N_4$ +3Ag+2I] (red) and Observed (black).



**Figure S 52.** Calculated for  $C_{66}H_{78}Ag_6I_5N_8$  [ $3c+C_{22}H_{26}N_4+2Ag+I$ ] (red) and Observed (black).

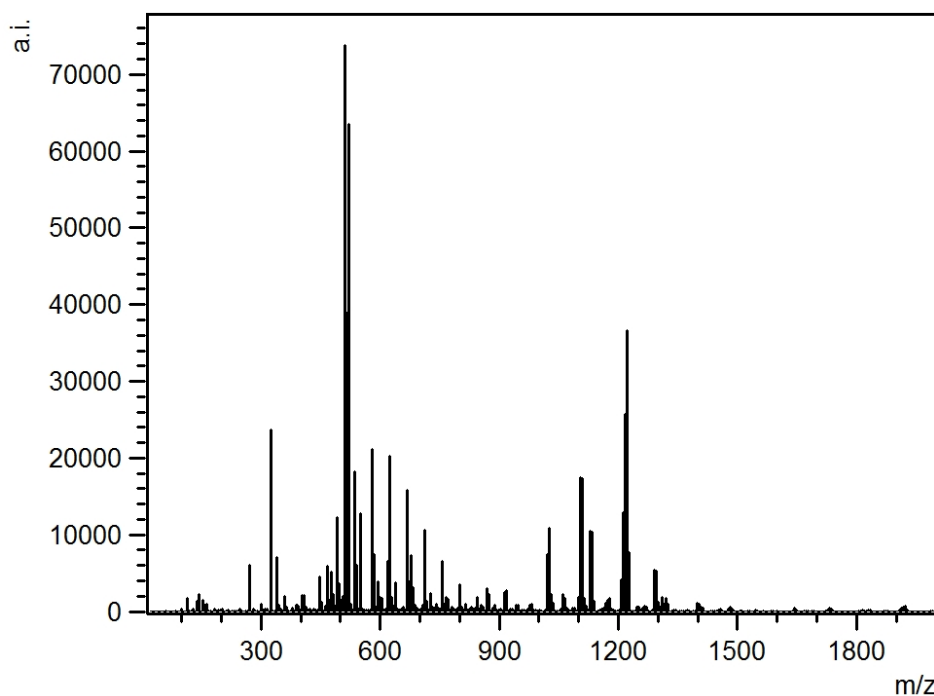


**Figure S 53.** Calculated for  $C_{66}H_{78}Ag_5I_4N_8$  [ $3c+C_{22}H_{26}N_4+Ag$ ] (red) and Observed (black).

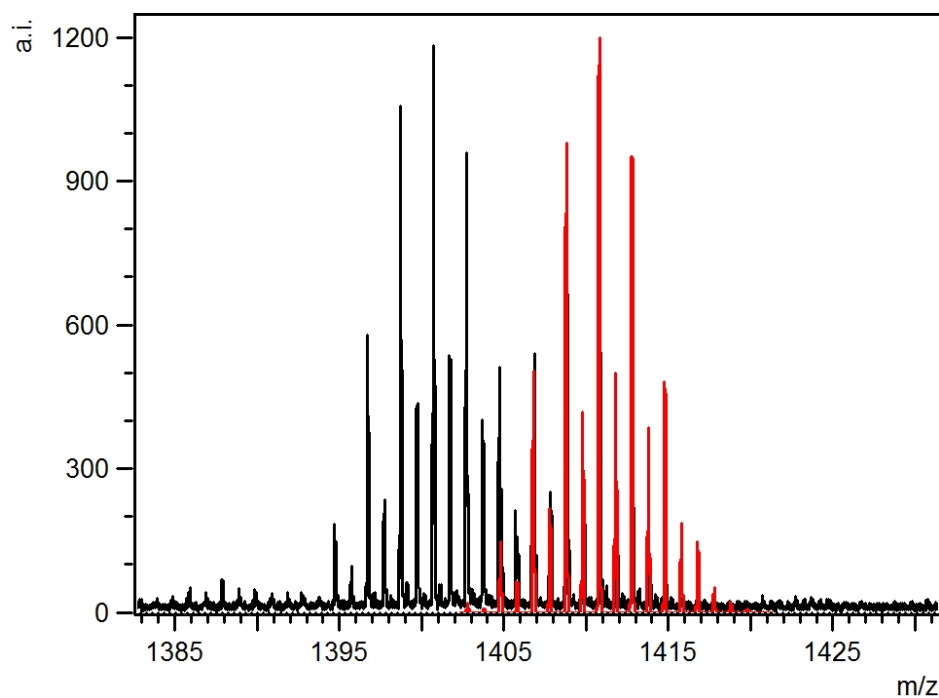




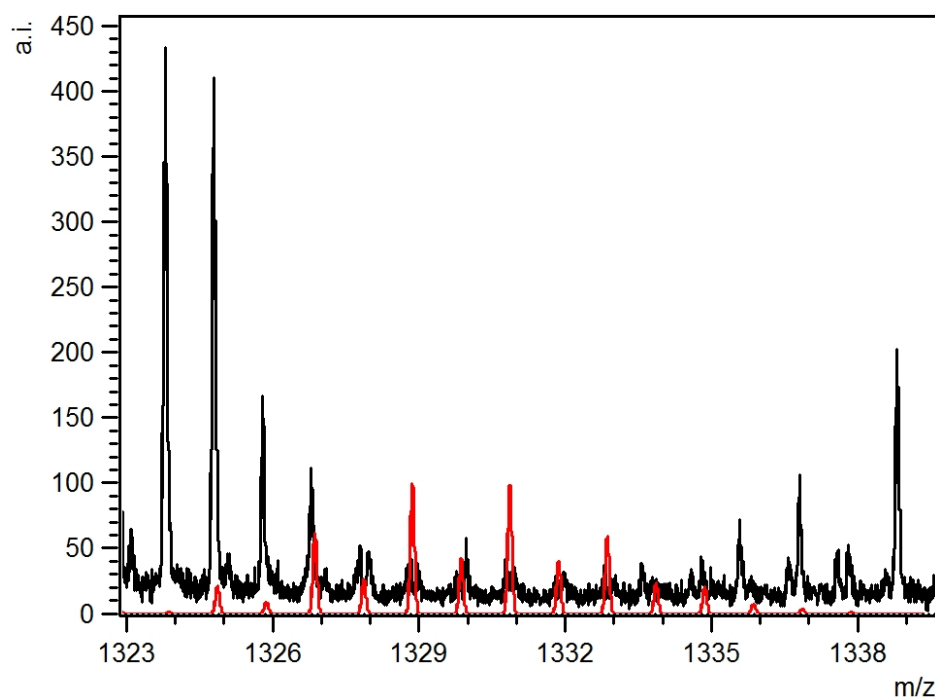
**Figure S 54** Mass Spec of Triazole Complex **3e**.



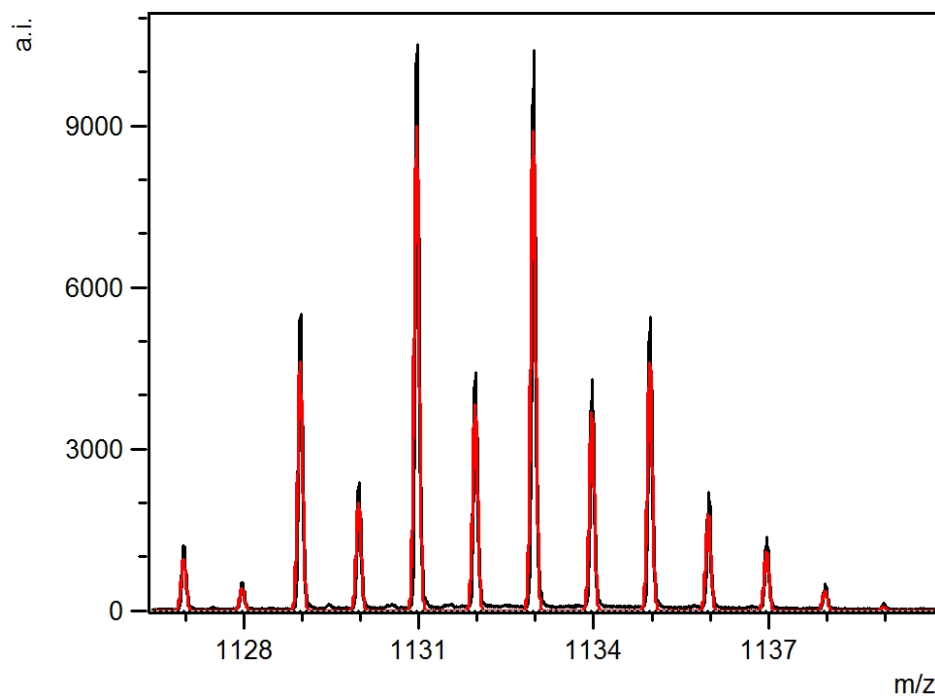
**Figure S 55.** Calculated for  $C_{36}H_{49}Ag_4Br_4N_{12}$  [**3e**+H]<sup>+</sup> (red) and Observed (black).



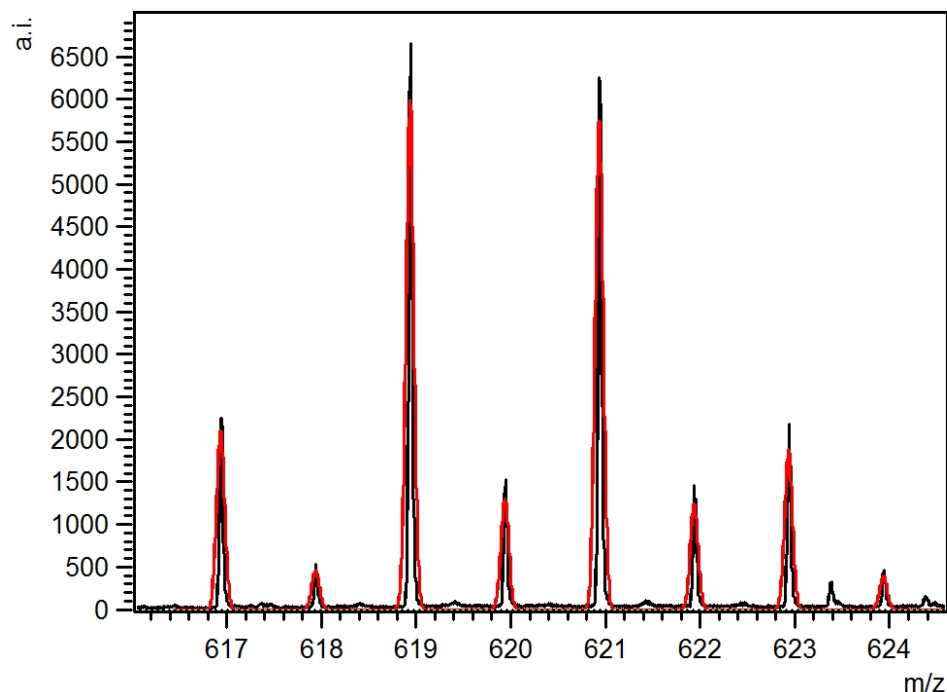
**Figure S 56.** Calculated for  $C_{36}H_{48}Ag_4Br_3N_{12}$  [**3e-Br**] (red) and Observed (black).



**Figure S 57.** Calculated for  $C_{36}H_{48}Ag_3Br_2N_8$  [**3e-AgBr- Br**] (red) and Observed (black).



**Figure S 58.** Calculated for  $C_{18}H_{24}Ag_2BrN_6$  [**3e**-  $C_{18}H_{24}N_6-2Ag-3Br$ ] (red) and Observed (black).



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