

## Supporting Information for

# Homoleptic and heteroleptic Au(I) complexes containing the new [Co<sub>5</sub>C(CO)<sub>12</sub>]<sup>-</sup> cluster as ligand

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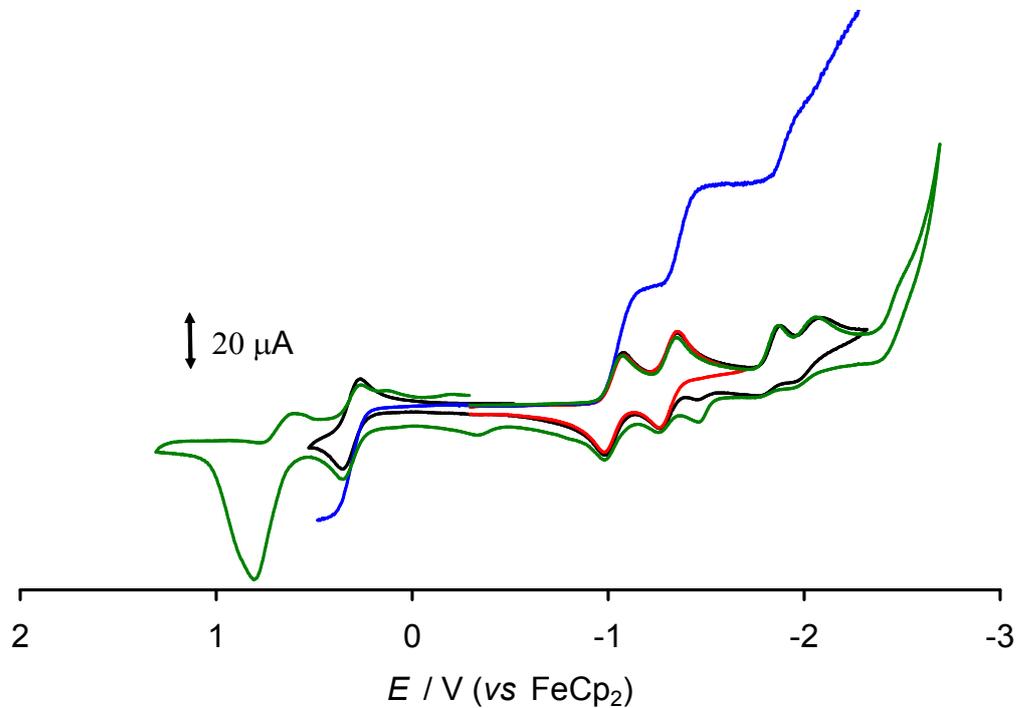
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**Figure S.1**

Cyclic (green, black and red) and hydrodynamic (blue) voltammograms recorded at a platinum electrode in a  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution of  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}_2\text{Au}]^-$ ,  $[\mathbf{2}]^-$ .  $[\text{N}^n\text{Bu}_4][\text{PF}_6]$  ( $0.2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$ ) as supporting electrolyte. Scan rates:  $0.1 \text{ V s}^{-1}$ .



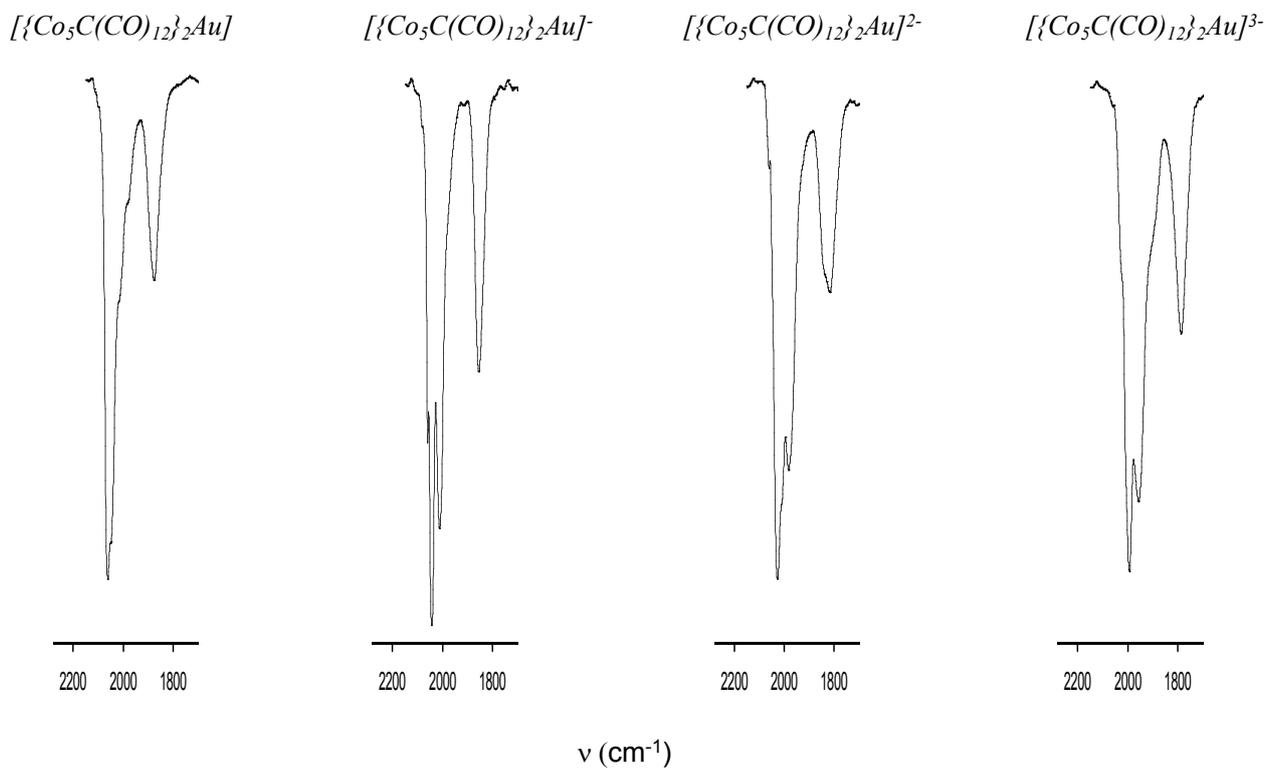
**Table S.1**

$\nu(\text{CO})$  stretching frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of  $[\mathbf{2}]^{n-}$  ( $n = 0-3$ ) as obtained from spectroelectrochemical experiments in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.

<b>2</b>	2062(s), 2047(s), 1872(m)
<b><math>[\mathbf{2}]^-</math></b>	2060(m), 2043(s), 2012(m), 1856(m)
<b><math>[\mathbf{2}]^{2-}</math></b>	2027(s), 1982(m), 1838(sh), 1814(m)
<b><math>[\mathbf{2}]^{3-}</math></b>	1993(s), 1957(m), 1787(m)

**Figure S.2**

Selected IR spectra recorded in a OTTLE cell during the electrolysis of  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}_2\text{Au}]^-$ , in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution containing  $[\text{N}^n\text{Bu}_4][\text{PF}_6]$   $0.2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  as the supporting electrolyte, and corresponding to the different charged clusters  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}_2\text{Au}]/[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}_2\text{Au}]^-$   $/[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}_2\text{Au}]^{2-}/[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}_2\text{Au}]^{3-}$ .



**Table S.2.**

$\nu(\text{CO})$  stretching frequencies ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) of  $[\mathbf{1}]^n$  ( $n = 1-3$ ) as obtained from spectroelectrochemical experiments in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution.

$[\mathbf{1}]^-$	2030(s), 2013(m), 1973(w), 1851(m)
$[\mathbf{1}]^{2-}$	2021(w), 1983(s), 1960(sh), 1800(m)
$[\mathbf{1}]^{3-}$	2026(w), 1918(s), 1758(m)

**Figure S.3**

*Selected IR spectra recorded in a OTTLE cell during the electrolysis of  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}\text{Au}\{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4\}]^-$ , in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  solution containing  $[\text{N}^n\text{Bu}_4][\text{PF}_6]$   $0.2 \text{ mol dm}^{-3}$  as the supporting electrolyte, and corresponding to the different charged clusters  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}\text{Au}\{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4\}]^-$  /  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}\text{Au}\{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4\}]^{2-}$  /  $[\{\text{Co}_5\text{C}(\text{CO})_{12}\}\text{Au}\{\text{Co}(\text{CO})_4\}]^{3-}$ .*

