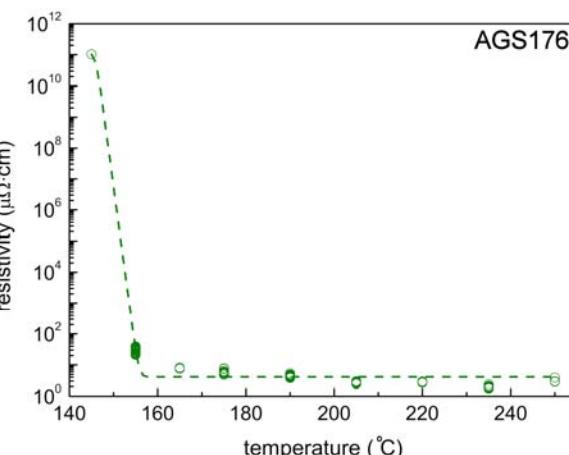
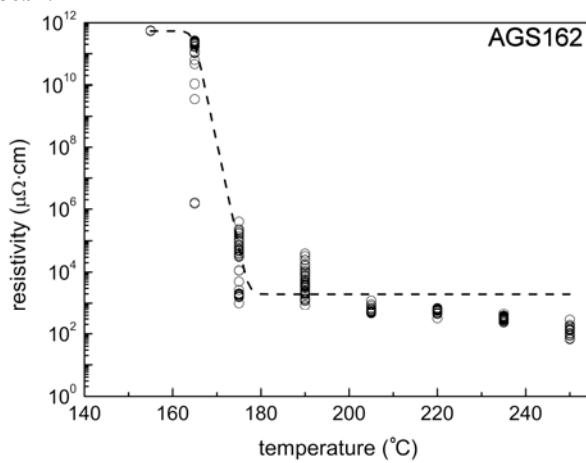


**Electronic Supplementary Information (ESI):  
NMR, IR, APCI-MS, elemental analysis and measured resistivity  
transition data of synthesized isomeric silver salts,  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ .**

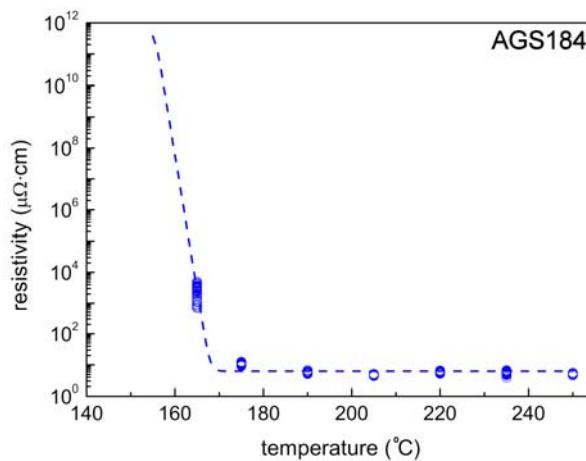
<sup>5</sup> (AGS162) silver 2-butylhexanoate ( $C_4H_9CH(C_4H_9)COOAg$ ):

$^1H$ -NMR(DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>/TMS),  $\delta$ : 0.84(6H, t,  $J=6.9Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-6, 6'), 1.14-1.29(8H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-4, 4', 5, 5'), 1.32 and 1.46(2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-3, 3'), 2.19(1H, m, CH),  $^{13}C$ -NMR(DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>/TMS),  $\delta$ : 14.02(CH<sub>3</sub>-6, 6'), 22.39, 29.82, 33.19(CH<sub>2</sub>-3, 3'), 47.67(CH), 179.58(COO), IR (neat), 1520.4, 1302.2 cm<sup>-1</sup> (COO'). APCI-MS (negative mode), m/z: 171 [M-Ag]. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ : C, 43.03; H, 6.86 ; Ag, 38.65. Found: C, 43.24; H, 7.07; Ag, 38.94.

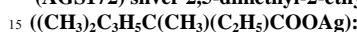


(AGS184) silver 2,2-dimethyloctanoate ( $C_6H_{13}C(CH_3)_2COOAg$ ):

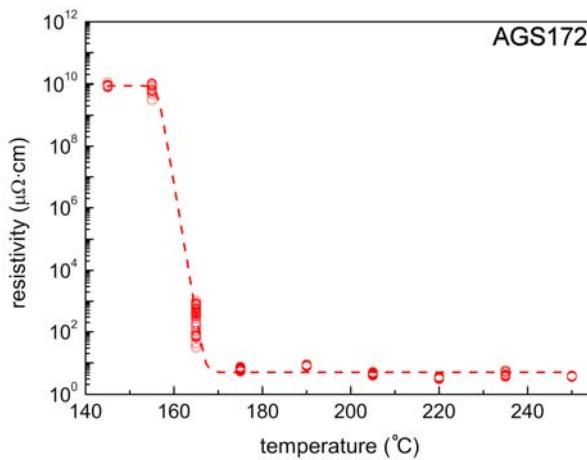
$^1H$ -NMR (TFA-d),  $\delta$ : 0.87 (3H, t, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.27 (6H, br.s, 2CH<sub>3</sub>-2), 1.28-1.38 (8H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-4...CH<sub>2</sub>-7), 1.65 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-3).  $^{13}C$ -NMR (TFA-d),  $\delta$ : 189.93, 44.70, 42.59, 33.46, 31.46, 26.64, 25.74, 24.26, 14.62. IR (neat), 1515, 1390 cm<sup>-1</sup>: (COO'). APCI-MS (negative mode), m/z: 171 [M-Ag]. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ : C, 43.03; H, 6.86; Ag, 38.65. Found: C, 43.24; H, 7.05; Ag, 39.03.



(AGS172) silver 2,5-dimethyl-2-ethylhexanoate

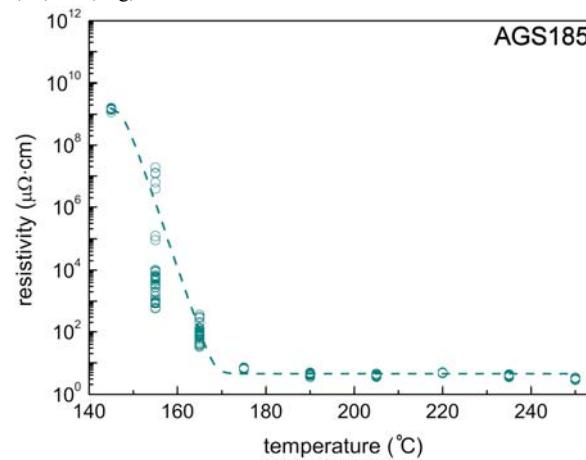


$^1H$ -NMR(DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>/TMS),  $\delta$ : 0.76(3H, t,  $J=7.3Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-4'''), 0.83(6H, d,  $J=6.6Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-6, 6'), 1.01(3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>-3'''), 1.07(2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-4), 1.27-1.63(5H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-3, 5, 3'''),  $^{13}C$ -NMR(DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>/TMS),  $\delta$ : 9.58(CH<sub>3</sub>-4'''), 22.45, 22.56, 22.71, 28.26(CH-5), 32.54(CH<sub>2</sub>-4), 33.73(CH<sub>2</sub>-3'''), 37.72(CH<sub>2</sub>-3), 46.78(C-2), 180.54(COO), IR (neat), 1511.1 cm<sup>-1</sup>(C=O). APCI-MS (negative mode), m/z: 171 [M-Ag]. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ : C, 43.03; H, 6.86; Ag, 38.65. Found: C, 43.22; H, 7.03; Ag, 38.90.



(AGS185) silver 2,2-diethylhexanoate ( $C_4H_9C(C_2H_5)_2COOAg$ ):

$^1H$ -NMR(DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>/TMS),  $\delta$ : 0.70(6H, t,  $J=7.3Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-4', 4''), 0.85(3H, t,  $J=7.3Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-6), 1.08(2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-4), 1.23(2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-5), 1.43(2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-3), 1.48(4H, q,  $J=7.3Hz$ , CH<sub>2</sub>-3', 3'').  $^{13}C$ -NMR(DMSO-d<sub>6</sub>/TMS),  $\delta$ : 8.98(CH<sub>3</sub>-4', 4''), 14.07(CH<sub>3</sub>-6), 23.08(CH<sub>2</sub>-5), 26.36(CH<sub>2</sub>-4), 27.32(CH<sub>2</sub>-3', 3''), 34.44(CH<sub>2</sub>-3), 50.12(C-2), 47.67(CH), 180.20(COO), IR (neat), 1519.9, 1300.8 cm<sup>-1</sup> (COO'). APCI-MS (negative mode), m/z: 171 [M-Ag]. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ : C, 43.03; H, 6.86 ; Ag, 38.65. Found: C, 43.18; H, 7.01; Ag, 38.81.



(AGS176) silver 2-ethyloctanoate ( $C_6H_{13}CH(C_2H_5)_2COOAg$ ):

$^1H$ -NMR(TFA-d/TMS),  $\delta$ : 0.92(3H, t,  $J=6.1Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-8), 1.03(3H, t,  $J=7.3Hz$ , CH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 1.28-1.48(8H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-4~7), 1.61-1.83(4H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>-3, 3'), 2.49(1H, m, CH),  $^{13}C$ -NMR(TFA-d/TMS),  $\delta$ : 12.28(CH<sub>3</sub>-4'), 14.56(CH<sub>3</sub>-8), 24.22, 27.18(CH<sub>2</sub>-3'), 29.16, 30.91, 33.44, 33.85(CH<sub>2</sub>-3), 50.16(CH), 188.80(COO), IR (neat), 1521.9, 1299.9 cm<sup>-1</sup> (COO'). APCI-MS (negative mode), m/z: 171 [M-Ag]. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ : C, 43.03; H, 6.86; Ag, 38.65. Found: C, 43.19; H, 6.99; Ag, 38.87.

**(AGS217) silver decanoate ( $C_9H_{19}COOAg$ ):**

$^1H$ -NMR(TFA-d/TMS),  $\delta$ : 0.91(3H, t,  $J=6.3Hz$ ,  $CH_3$ ), 1.18-1.60(12H, m,  $CH_2$ -4... $CH_2$ -9 ), 1.78(2H, qn,  $J=7.3Hz$ ,  $CH_2$ -3), 2.55(3H, t,  $J=7.3Hz$ ,  $CH_2$ -2),  $^{13}C$ -NMR(TFA-d/TMS),  $\delta$ : 14.62( $CH_3$ ), 24.32, 26.67( $CH_2$ -3), 30.81, 30.90, 31.05, 31.14, 33.72, 35.89( $CH_2$ -2), 186.07(COO). IR (neat),  $cm^{-1}$ : 1513 (COO'). APCI-MS (negative mode), m/z: 171 [M-Ag]<sup>-</sup>. Calcd. for  $C_{10}H_{19}AgO_2$ : C, 43.03; H, 6.86; Ag, 38.65. Found: C, 42.6; H, 7.38; Ag, 41.

