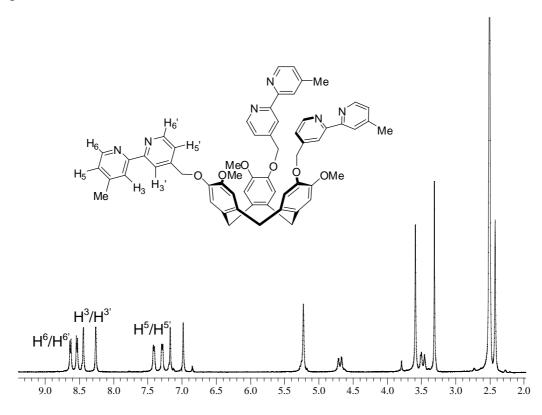
## Metallo-gels and organo-gels with tripodal ligands

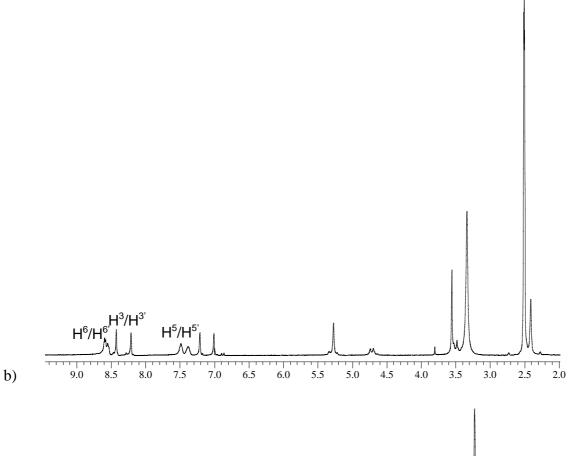
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## **Supplementary information**

## NMR spectra of

a)





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Figure S1– <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum in DMSO of; a) ligand **1** (11.5 mM), b) ligand **1** (11.5 mM) and AgSbF<sub>6</sub> 1:3 stoichiometry at 0 hours and c) ligand **1** (11.5 mM) and AgSbF<sub>6</sub> 1:3 stoichiometry after 3 hours at which time solution had become very viscous.

Table S2 – The assignments and chemical induced shifts for ligand 1 with AgSbF<sub>6</sub>.

Compound	Ligand 2.8	+ AgSbF <sub>6</sub>	CIS
Me(s)	3.309	3.349	+0.04
$CH_2(d)$	5.224	5.279	+0.055

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$CH_2O(s)$	3.475, 4.689	3.47, 4.718	-0.005, +0.029
OMe(s)	3.587	3.554	-0.033
aryl H(s)	6.981, 7.170	7.010, 7.213	+0.029, +0.043
$H^{5/5}(d)$	7.285, 7.417	7.391, 7.5	+0.106, +0.083
$H^{3/3}(s)$	8.259, 8.440	8.201, 8.422	-0.058, +0.002
$H^{6/6}(d)$	8.534, 8.629	8.539, 8.584	+0.006, -0.045

CIS = Chemical Induced Shift

Solvent/ligand	3	4	4a	5	2	1	6
Dichloromethane	i	S	S	S	S	S	Metallo-gel
							F
Water	i	i	i	i	i	i	i
Methanol	i	S	S	S	i	i	i
Ethanol	i	S	S	S	i	i	i
Acetonitrile	i	S	S	S	Metallo-gel	S	i
					C		
Hexane	i	i	i	i	i	i	i
DMSO	S	S	S	S	S	Metallo-gel	S
						В	
DMF	S	S	S	S	S	Metallo-gel	S
						A	
Trifluoroethanol	Organo-gel	S	S	S	S	S	S
	D						
Nitromethane	i	i	i	i	i	i	Metallo-gel
							G
Ethyl acetate	i	i	i	i	i	i	S
Acetone	i	Organo-gel	S	S	S	i	i
		E					
					_	_	
Toluene	i	i	i	i	i	i	S

The dropping ball method involves placing a steel ball bearing on top of 1 mL of gel. The gel was then heated in an oil bath heated at 0.5 °C per min, and the  $T_{gel}$  value was taken at the point the gel could not support the weight of the ball bearing any longer. The 'tilting tube method' involved heating an inverted glass vial containing 1mL of gel in an oil bath (0.5 °C per min). The  $T_{gel}$  value was taken at the point the gel melted to produce a sol.