## Allosterically driven self-assemblies of interlocked calix[6]arene receptors

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Figure S2.  $^{13}$ C NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 328 K, 100 MHz) of 7; s = solvent.



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**Figure S11.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K) of the host-guest complexes (a)  $3_{IMI}^{3H+,3TFA-}$  and (b)  $4_{PrNH3+}^{-6H+,5PrNH3+}$ .  $\Psi$ : IMI *in* or PrNH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> *in*; •: PrNH<sub>2</sub> *out*; S = solvent.



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Figure S15. 2D NMR COSY spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K, selected area) of  $1_{IMI}^{3H+} \bullet 5_{PhCH2CH2NH3+}^{-3H+}$ , Pic<sup>-</sup>. S = solvent.



Figure S16. 2D NMR HMQC spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K) of  $1_{IMI}^{3H+} \bullet 5_{PhCH2CH2NH3+}^{-3H+}$ , Pic<sup>-</sup>. S = solvent.



Figure S17. 2D NMR COSY spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K, selected area) of  $1_{IMI}^{3H+} \cdot 5_{DopaMe2NH3+}^{-4H+}$  S = solvent.



Figure S18. 2D NMR HMQC spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K) of  $1_{IMI}^{3H+} \bullet 5_{DopaMe2NH3+}^{-4H+}$ . S = solvent.



**Figure S19.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K) of (a)  $3_{IMI}^{3H+} \cdot 4_{PrNH3+}^{-3H+}$ , Pic<sup>-</sup>, (b)  $3_{IMI}^{3H+} \cdot 4_{PrNH3+}^{-4H+}$ , (c)  $3_{IMI}^{3H+} \cdot 2_{PrNH3+}^{-3H+}$ , Pic<sup>-</sup> and (d)  $3_{IMI}^{3H+} \cdot Cl^{-} \cdot 2_{PrNH3+}^{-3H+}$ . S = solvent; W = water;  $\Delta$ : IMI *in*;  $\mathbf{\nabla}$ : PrNH<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup> *in*; O: CON*H*Ph protons.



**Figure S20.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR titration of calix[6]hexa-acid **4** by PrNH<sub>2</sub> (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 298 K), showing the quantitative inclusion of the propylammonium ion upon addition of 3 equiv. of PrNH<sub>2</sub>.