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Supporting Information for

## Facile synthesis of Au<sub>23</sub>(SC(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>)<sub>16</sub> clusters

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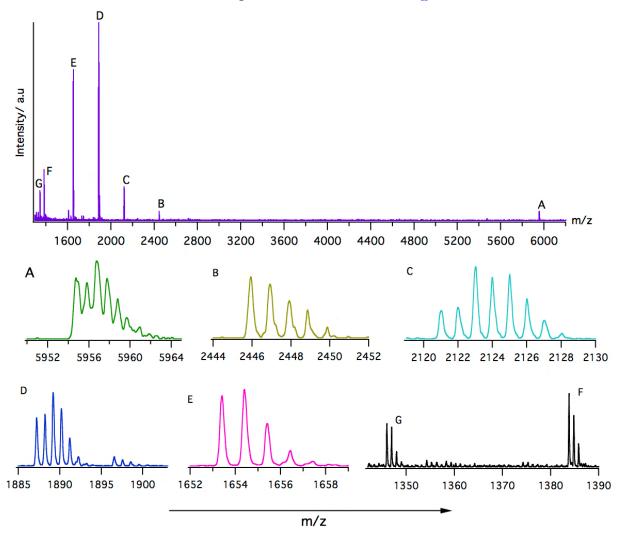
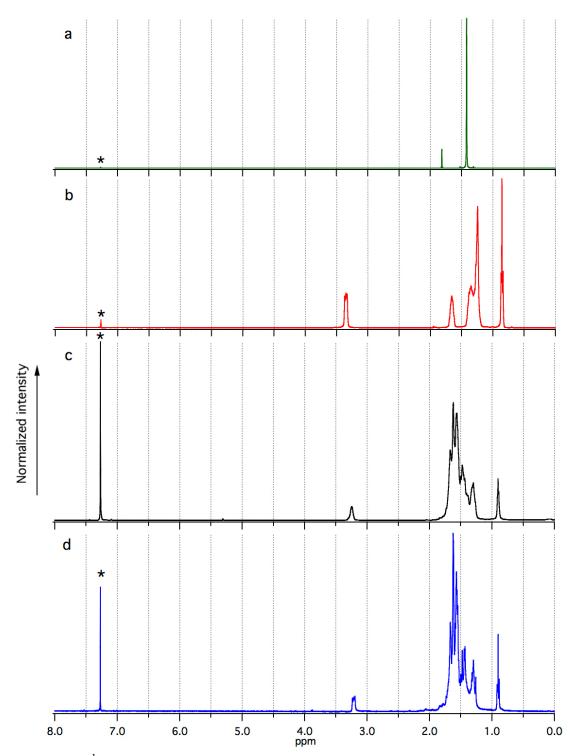
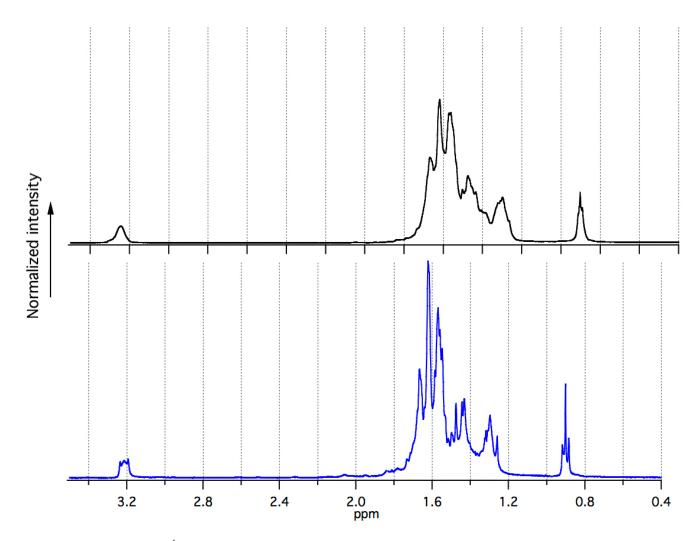


Figure S1 Expanded ESI fragmented peaks. The x- axis indicates m/z values.



**Figure S2** <sup>1</sup>HNMR spectra of (a) tert-butyl thiol, (b) tetra-*n*-octylammonium bromide, (c) acetonitrile fraction, and (d) dichloromethane fraction, recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>. The asterisk indicates residual CHCl<sub>3</sub> solvent peak.



**Figure S3** Expanded <sup>1</sup>HNMR of (top) acetonitrile fraction and (bottom) dichloromethane fraction recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.

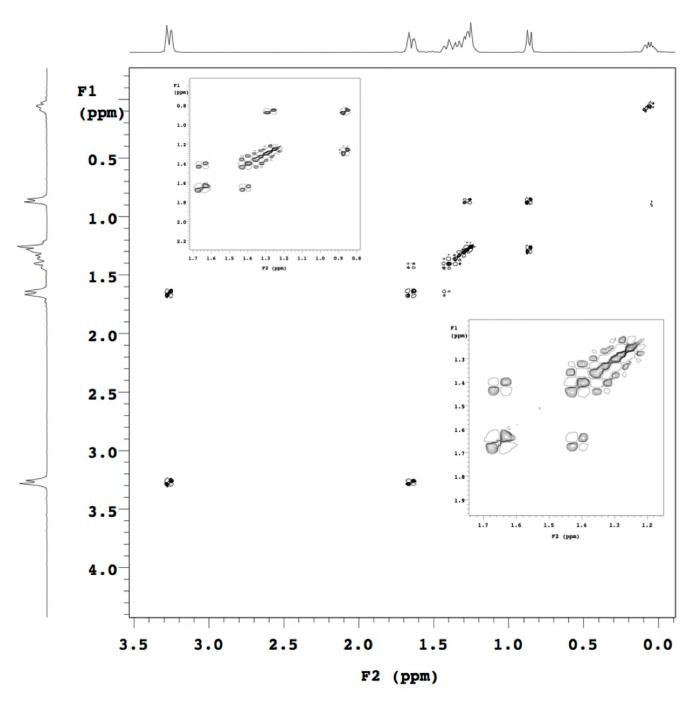
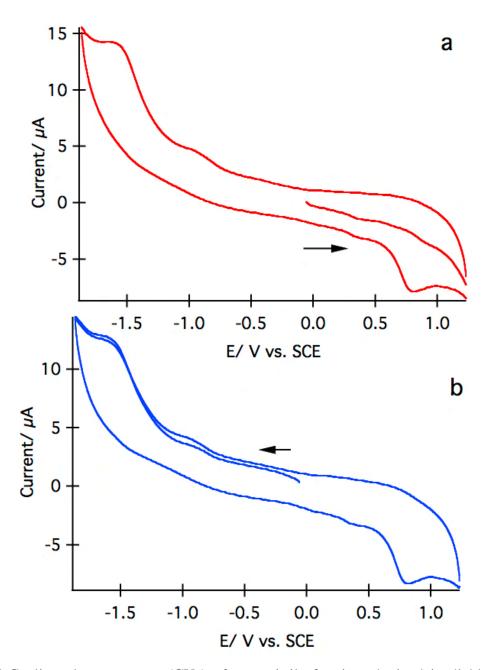
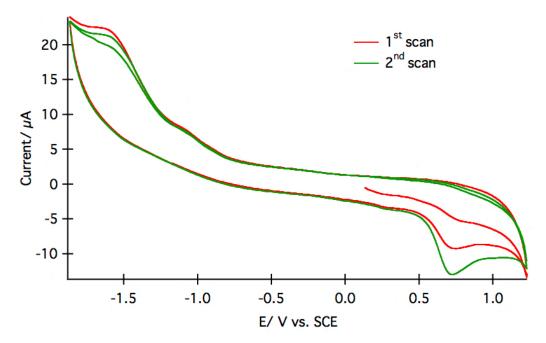


Figure S4 2D-gDQCOSY NMR spectrum of the purified dichloromethane fraction in CDCl<sub>3</sub>.



**Figure S5** Cyclic voltammograms (CVs) of acetonitrile fraction obtained in dichloromethane containing 0.1 M tetra-*n*-butylammonium hexaflourophosphate (TBAPF<sub>6</sub>) as supporting electrolyte. (a) and (b) show scanning potential towards the positive and negative values. Scan rate: 100 mV/s, T=25oC.



**Figure S6** Cyclic voltammograms (CVs) of dichloromethane fraction recorded in dichloromethane containing 0.1 M tetra-*n*-butylammonium hexaflourophosphate (TBAPF<sub>6</sub>) as supporting electrolyte. The red curves and green cycles, scan rate was 100 mV/s, T=25oC.

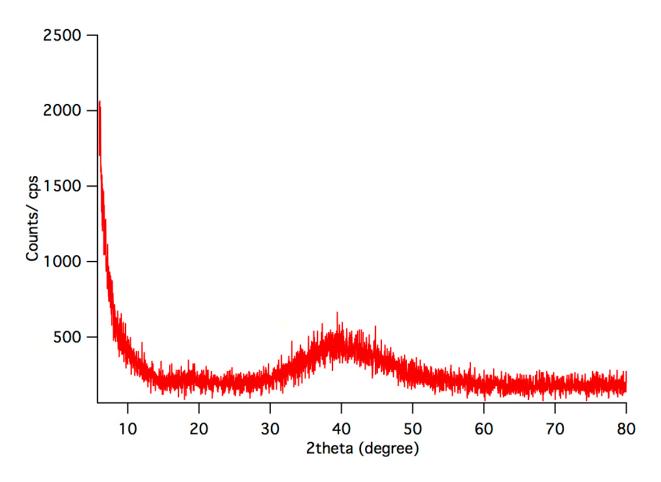


Figure S7 Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) spectrum of the purified  $Au_{23}(SC_4H_9)_{16}$ . TOA, dichloromethane fraction.