

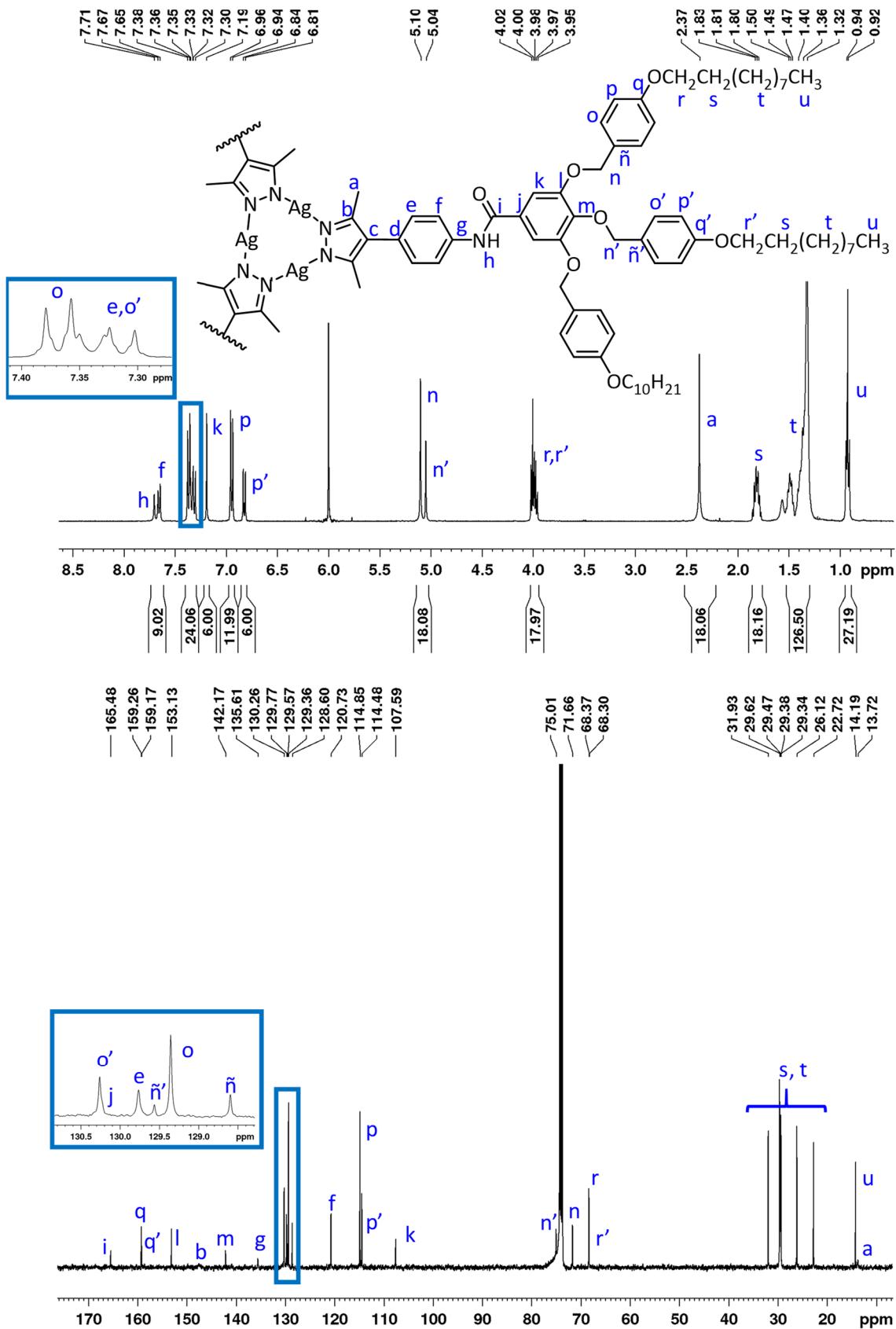
# **Supplementary Materials:**

## **Silver Dendritic Gels with Luminescence and AIE effect**

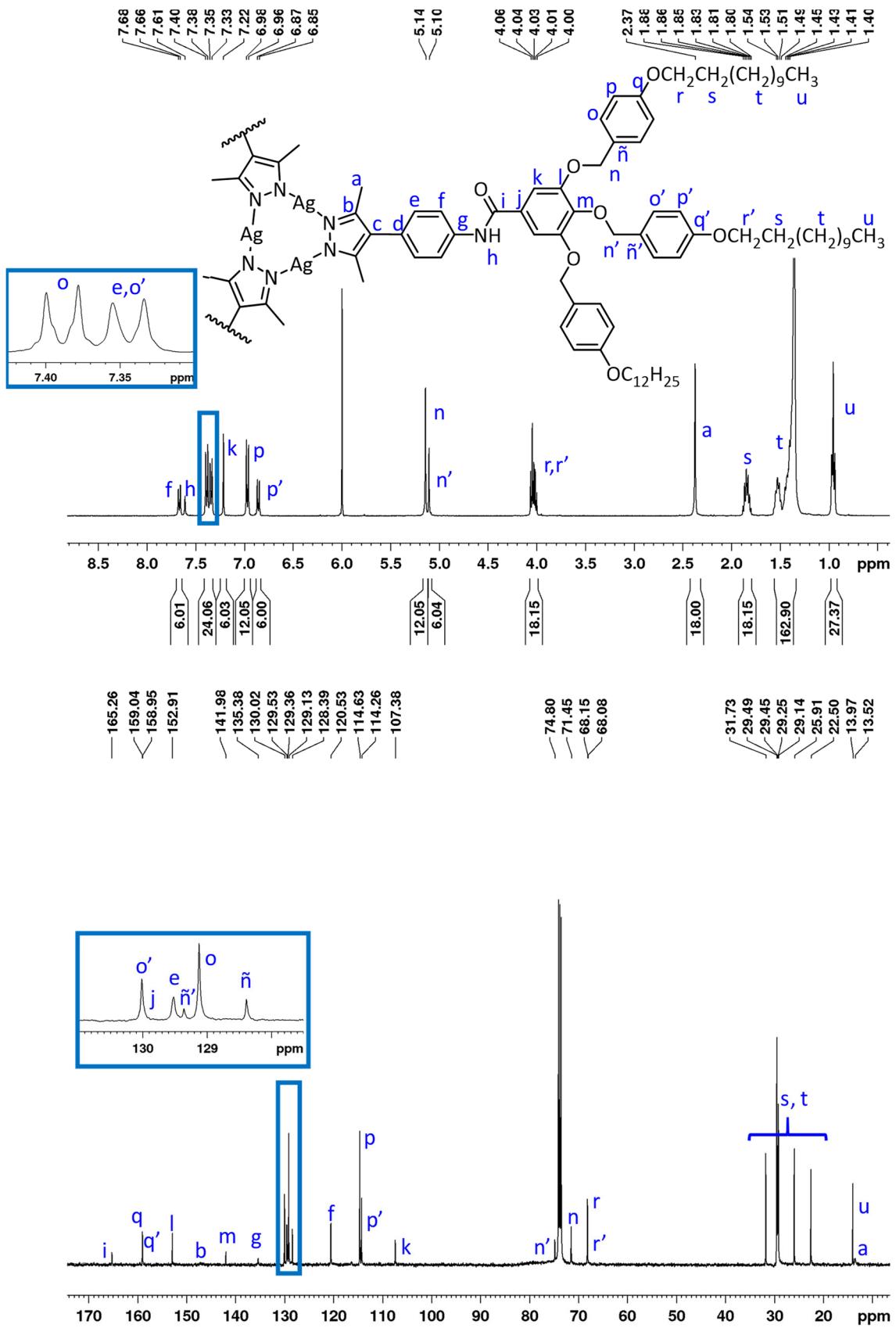
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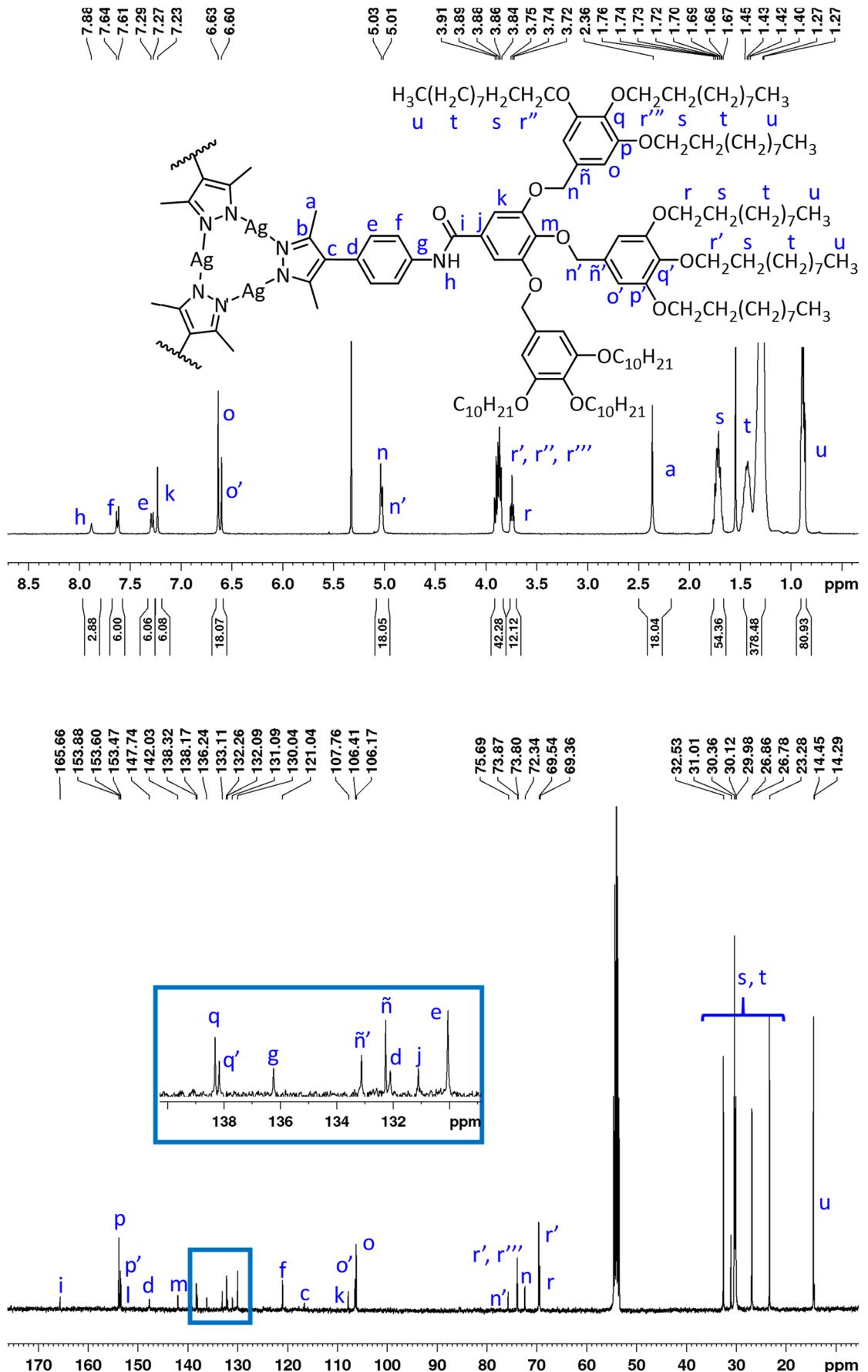
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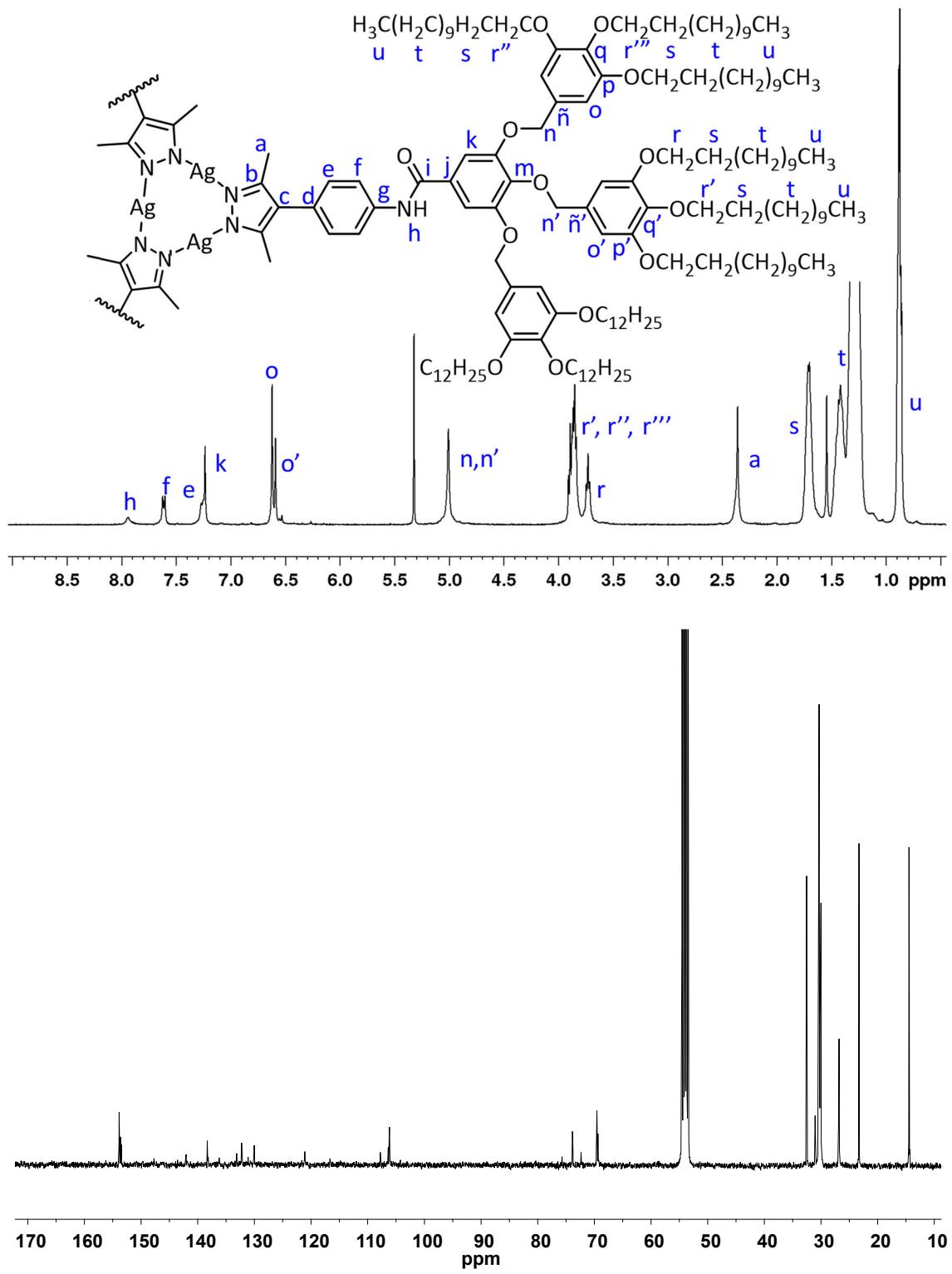
**Figure S1.**  $^1H$ -NMR (400 MHz,  $C_2D_2Cl_4$ , 60 °C) and  $^{13}C$ -NMR (100 MHz,  $C_2D_2Cl_4$ , 60 °C) spectra of  $[Ag(\mu-(4-3,4,5)-10G2-APz)]_3$ .



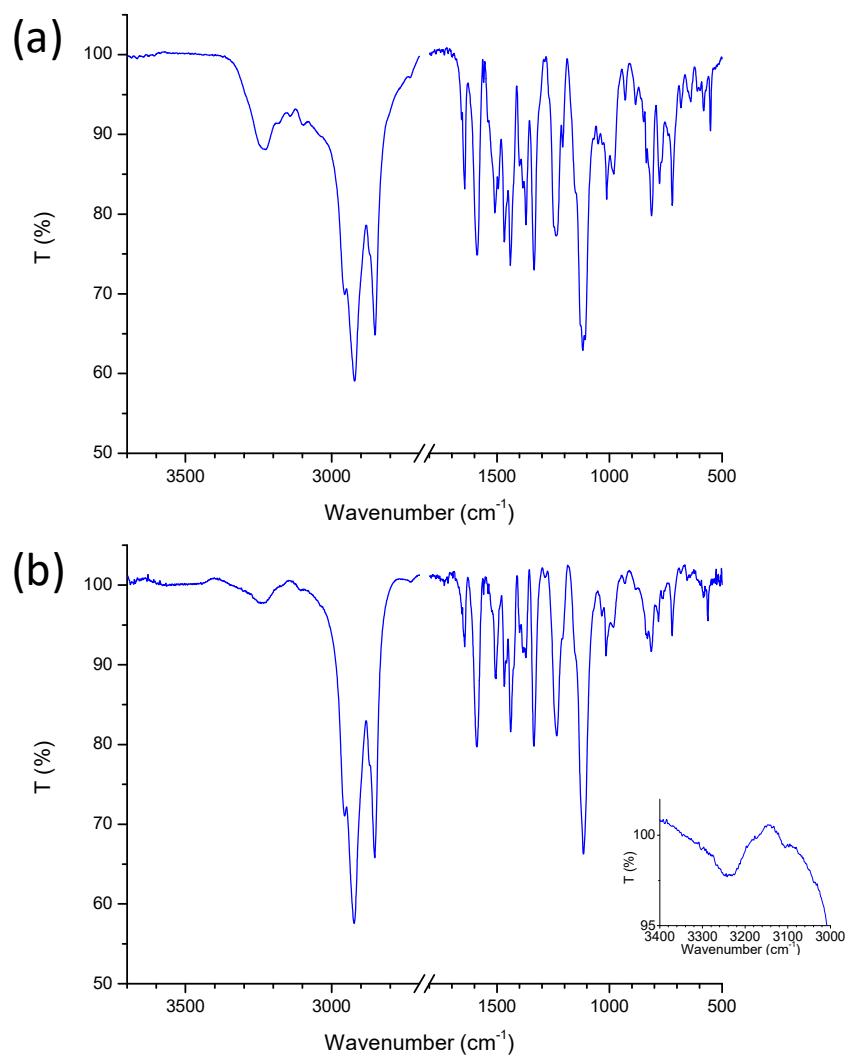
**Figure S2.** <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{C}_2\text{D}_2\text{Cl}_4$ , 60 °C) and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{C}_2\text{D}_2\text{Cl}_4$ , 60 °C) spectra of  $[\text{Ag}(\mu\text{-}(4,5)\text{-12G2-APz})]_3$ .



**Figure S3.**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 25 °C) and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 25 °C) spectra of  $[\text{Ag}(\mu\text{-}(3,4,5-3,4,5)-10\text{G2-APz})]_3$ .



**Figure S4.**  $^1\text{H}$ -NMR (400 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 25 °C) and  $^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR (100 MHz,  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 25 °C) spectra of  $[\text{Ag}(\mu-\text{G2-APz})_3]$ .



**Figure S5.** FTIR spectra in KBr pellets for (a) ligand precursor **3,4,5-3,4,5-10G2-APzH** and (b) their corresponding metallocendrimer  $[\text{Ag}(\mu\text{-}(3,4,5-3,4,5-10G2-APz)]_3$ .

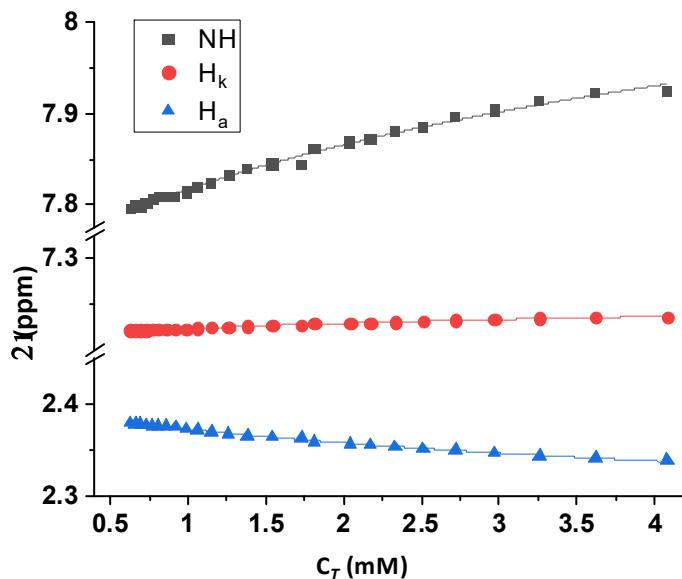
### Calculation of the association constant

Curve fitting was performed using nonlinear regression analysis (OriginPro 2020b, version 9.7 (Academic) by OriginLab Corporation) assuming the isodesmic model according to the equation:

$$\delta_{obs} = \delta_m + (\delta_{ag} - \delta_m) \left( 1 + \frac{(1 - \sqrt{4KC_T + 1})}{2KC_T} \right)$$

in which K is the association constant,  $C_T$  is the total concentration,  $\delta_{obs}$  is the measured chemical shift at concentration  $C_T$ ,  $\delta_m$  and  $\delta_{ag}$  are limiting chemical shifts of monomer and the aggregate, respectively. Values and curve fitting obtained for three signals were as follows:

Signal	NH ( $H_b$ )	$H_k$	$H_a$
K ( $M^{-1}$ )	142.69861±19.6257	142.69861±19.6257	142.69861±19.6257
R-square	0.99368	0.99186	0.9963



**Figure S6.** Concentration dependence of NMR chemical shifts of the  $H_b$ ,  $H_k$  and  $H_a$  signals for  $[\text{Ag}(\mu\text{-}(3,4,5-3,4,5)-10\text{G2-APz})]_3$  in  $\text{CD}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . Refer to Figure 5 or Figure S3 for proton assignment.