

## Interaction of tripodal Schiff-base ligands with silver(I): Structural and solution studies

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### Crystallography

#### [Ag(1)]ClO<sub>4</sub>

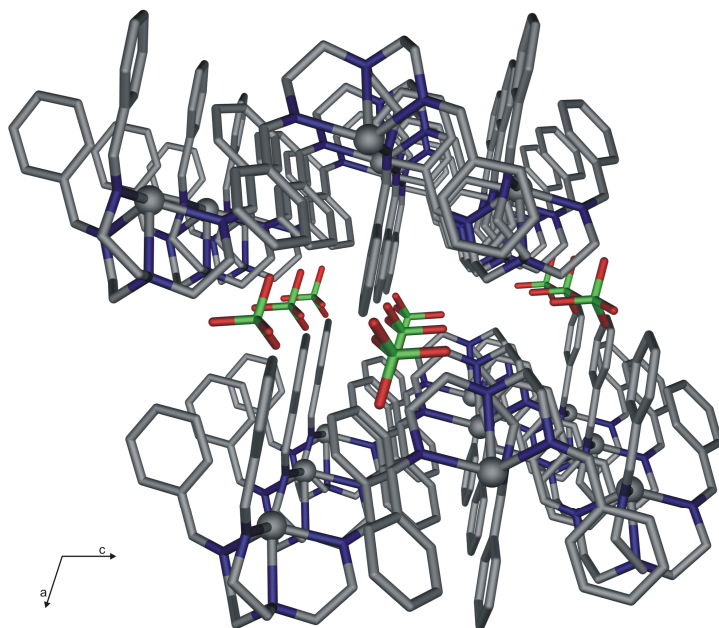
**Table S1.** Selected angles [°] of [Ag(1)]ClO<sub>4</sub>

atom	angle [°]	atom	angle [°]
N1-Ag1-N2	76.65	N2-Ag1-N3	114.89
N1-Ag1-N3	76.65	N2-Ag1-N4	117.13
N1-Ag1-N4	76.72	N3-Ag1-N4	112.53

**Table S2.** CH...O and CH... $\pi$  interactions in [Ag(1)]ClO<sub>4</sub>

C-H	A	C-H [Å]	H...A [Å]	C...A [Å]	C-H...A [°]
C25-H25A	O1 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	2.55	3.1927	125
C11-H11B	Cg2 <sup>ii</sup>	0.99	2.83	3.8004	168
C23-H23A	Cg1 <sup>iii</sup>	0.95	2.93	3.7998	154

Symmetry codes: (i) = 1-x,1-y,1-z, (ii) = 2-x,-y,1-z, (iii) = 2-x,1-y,1-z,

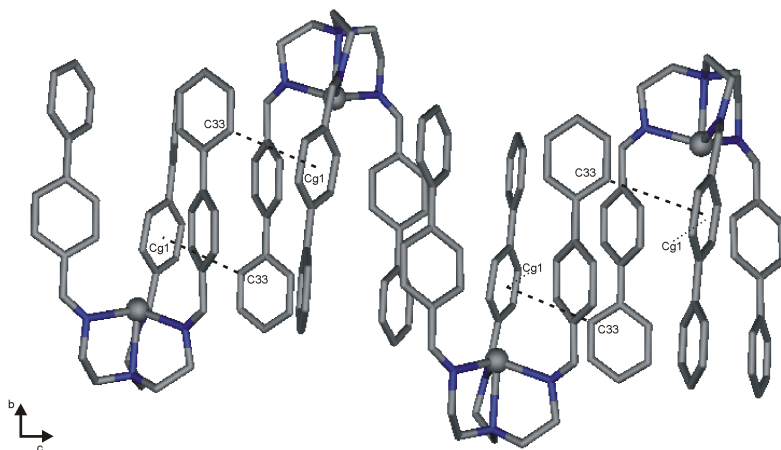


**Fig. S1** Crystal packing in [Ag(1)]ClO<sub>4</sub>, viewed along *b*-axis.

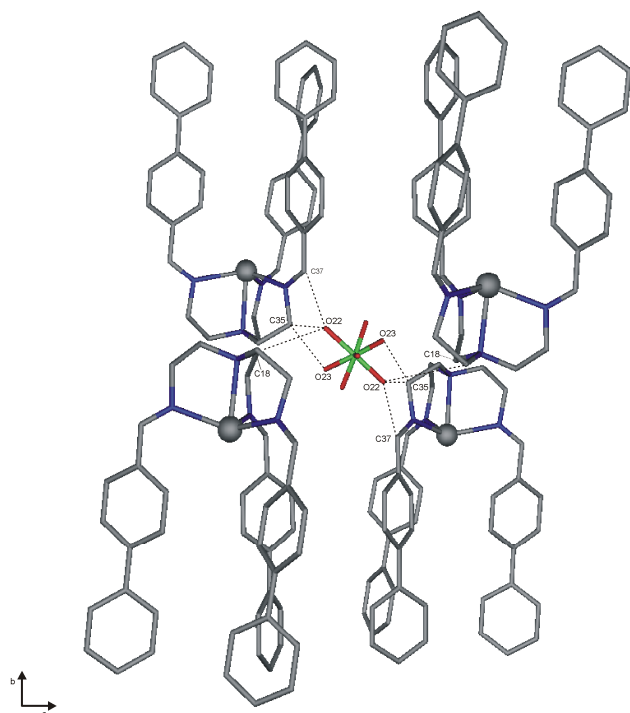
### [Ag(2)]ClO<sub>4</sub>

**Table S3.** Selected angles [°] of [Ag(2)]ClO<sub>4</sub>

atom	angle [°]	atom	angle [°]
N1-Ag1-N4	76.74	N4-Ag1-N20	115.63
N1-Ag1-N20	75.88	N4-Ag1-N36	119.09
N1-Ag1-N36	77.41	N20-Ag1-N36	109.81



**Fig. S2.** CH... $\pi$ -interaction in [Ag(2)]ClO<sub>4</sub>, H atoms and ClO<sub>4</sub><sup>-</sup> counter ion removed for clarity, projection along the *a*-axis.



**Fig. S3.** CH...O-interaction in [Ag(2)]ClO<sub>4</sub>, H atoms removed for clarity, viewed along *c*-axis.

**Table S4.** H-bond interactions in [Ag(2)] ClO<sub>4</sub>

D-H...A	D-H [Å]	H...A [Å]	D...A [Å]	D-H-A [°]
C18-H18A ... O22 <sup>i</sup>	0.99	2.51	3.133(7)	120
C35-H35B ... O22 <sup>ii</sup>	0.99	2.42	3.339(7)	154
C35-H35B ... O23 <sup>iii</sup>	0.99	2.50	3.472(9)	169
C37-H37 ... O22 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.31	3.148(7)	146

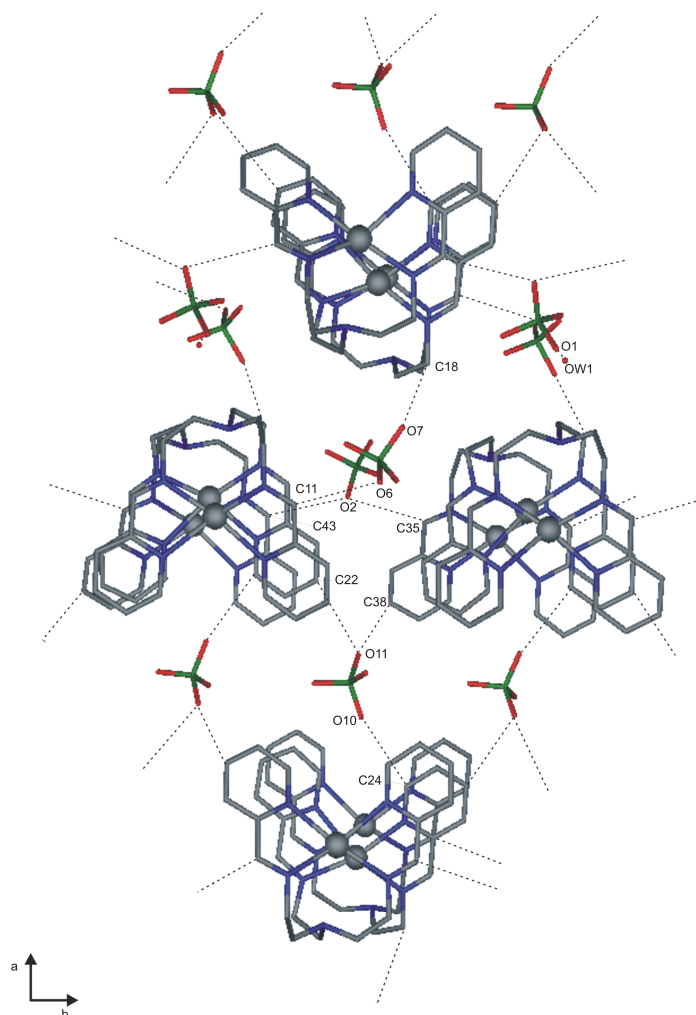
symmetry: i = 3/2-x, 1/2-y, z; ii = 3/2-x, y, 1/2+z; iii = x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z

### [Ag<sub>3</sub>(3)<sub>2</sub>](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·0.5H<sub>2</sub>O

**Table S5.** Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] of [Ag<sub>3</sub>(3)<sub>2</sub>](ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·0.5H<sub>2</sub>O

atom	bond length [Å]	atom	angle [°]	atom	angle [°]
Ag(1)-N(2)	2.270(6)	N(2)-Ag(1)-N(3)	70.97	N(3)-Ag(1)-N(5)	103.89
Ag(1)-N(3)	2.481(6)	N(2)-Ag(1)-N(4)	117.04	N(4)-Ag(1)-N(5)	71.49
Ag(1)-N(4)	2.307(7)	N(2)-Ag(1)-N(5)	171.41		
Ag(1)-N(5)	2.375(7)	N(3)-Ag(1)-N(4)	136.20		
Ag(2)-N(6)	2.355(6)	N(6)-Ag(2)-N(7)	71.68	N(7)-Ag(2)-N(10)	97.32
Ag(2)-N(7)	2.366(6)	N(6)-Ag(2)-N(9)	126.14	N(9)-Ag(2)-N(10)	71.41
Ag(2)-N(9)	2.276(6)	N(6)-Ag(2)-N(10)	153.66		
Ag(2)-N(10)	2.469(6)	N(7)-Ag(2)-N(9)	158.15		
Ag(3)-N(11)	2.324(6)	N(11)-Ag(3)-N(12)	72.18	N(12)-Ag(3)-N(14)	103.77
Ag(3)-N(12)	2.345(6)	N(11)-Ag(3)-N(13)	119.37	N(13)-Ag(3)-N(14)	71.57
Ag(3)-N(13)	2.286(6)	N(11)-Ag(3)-N(14)	142.42		
Ag(3)-N(14)	2.457(7)	N(12)-Ag(3)-N(13)	166.61		

The crystal packing of  $[\text{Ag}_3(\mathbf{3})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_3 \cdot 0.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is shown in Fig. S4 together with the H-bond pattern. The H-atoms of the coordinated water molecule was not observed. However, a separation of 3.02 Å between the water O-atom (OW1) and O-atom O1 of one  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  ion is indicative of the presence of a H-bond.



**Fig. S4.** H-bonding in  $[\text{Ag}_3(\mathbf{3})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_3 \cdot 0.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$  viewed along the  $c$ -axis. H atoms and the disorder of the  $\text{ClO}_4^-$  anion are omitted for clarity.

**Table S6.** Selected bond lengths and angles of  $\text{CH}\cdots\text{O}$  and O-water interaction in  $[\text{Ag}_3(\mathbf{3})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_3 \cdot 0.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ .

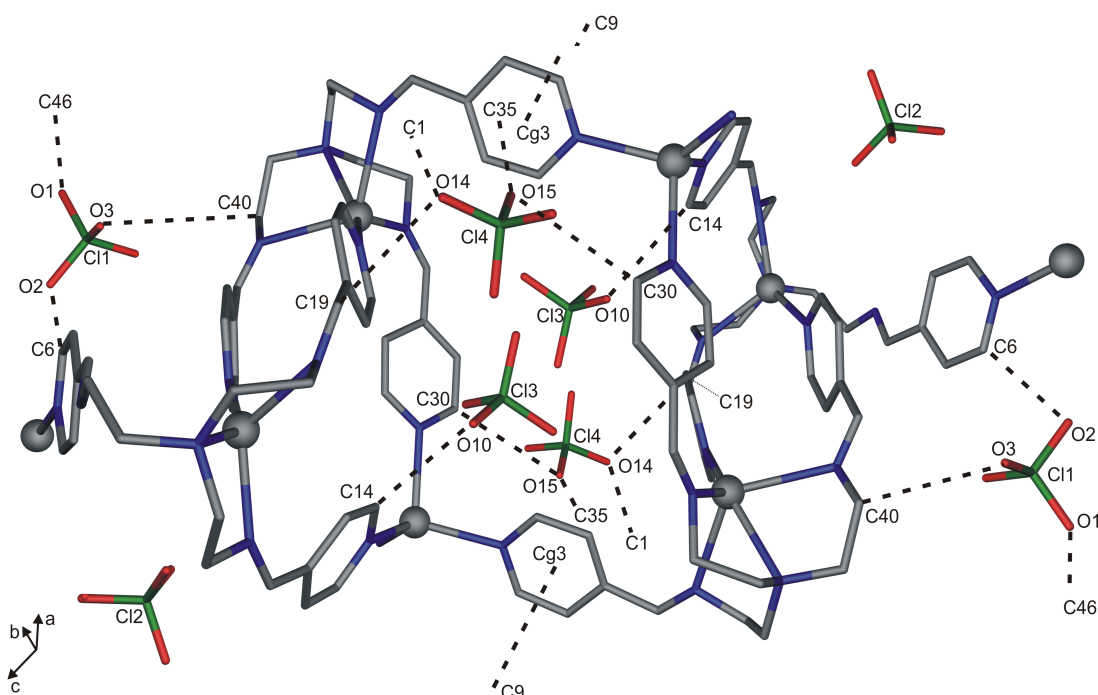
D-H $\cdots$ A	D-H [Å]	H $\cdots$ A [Å]	D $\cdots$ A [Å]	D-H-A [°]
C11 – H11A $\cdots$ O6 <sup>i</sup>	0.95	2.41	3.259(15)	148
C18 – H18A $\cdots$ O7 <sup>ii</sup>	0.99	2.41	3.264(13)	144
C22 – H22A $\cdots$ O11 <sup>iii</sup>	0.95	2.46	3.268(19)	142
C24 – H24A $\cdots$ O10	0.95	2.38	3.211(11)	145
C35 – H35A $\cdots$ O2 <sup>iv</sup>	0.95	2.51	3.357(11)	149
C38 – H38A $\cdots$ O11 <sup>v</sup>	0.95	2.44	3.049(17)	122
C43 – H43A $\cdots$ O2 <sup>vi</sup>	0.95	2.51	3.418(12)	160
O1W $\cdots$ O1 <sup>v</sup>			3.026(17)	

symmetry: i =  $x, 1+y, z$ ; ii =  $3/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$ ; iii =  $1/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z$ ; iv =  $1-x, -1+y, 1-z$ ; v =  $1/2-x, -1/2+y, 1/2-z$ ; vi =  $1-x, y, 1-z$

$\{[Ag_3(4)_2](ClO_4)_3\}_n$

**Table S7.** Selected angles [ $^\circ$ ] of  $\{[Ag_3(4)_2](ClO_4)_3\}_n$

angle	angle [ $^\circ$ ]	angle	angle [ $^\circ$ ]	angle	angle [ $^\circ$ ]
N(1) - Ag(1) - N(4)	75.99	N(7) - Ag(2) - N(11)	72.61	N(3) - Ag(3) - N(5)	121.00
N(1) - Ag(1) - N(6)	74.22	N(7) - Ag(2) - N(14)	147.60	N(3) - Ag(3) - N(9)	98.89
N(1) - Ag(1) - N(12)	145.21	N(8) - Ag(2) - N(10)	105.45	N(3) - Ag(3) - N(13)	115.57
N(4) - Ag(1) - N(6)	111.85	N(8) - Ag(2) - N(11)	106.88	N(5) - Ag(3) - N(9)	107.80
N(4) - Ag(1) - N(12)	129.35	N(8) - Ag(2) - N(14)	136.72	N(5) - Ag(3) - N(13)	108.62
N(6) - Ag(1) - N(12)	108.69	N(10) - Ag(2) - N(11)	120.55	N(9) - Ag(3) - N(13)	102.45
N(7) - Ag(2) - N(8)	73.92	N(10) - Ag(2) - N(14)	78.78		
N(7) - Ag(2) - N(10)	70.39	N(11) - Ag(2) - N(14)	100.60		



**Fig. S5** Weak CH-O and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions in  $\{[Ag_3(4)_2]ClO_4\}_n$  as dashed lines, H atoms removed for clarity.

**Table S8.** Distance and angles of the CH-O interactions in  $\{[Ag_3(4)_2]ClO_4\}_n$

D-H	A	D-H [ $\text{\AA}$ ]	DH $\cdots$ A [ $\text{\AA}$ ]	D $\cdots$ A [ $\text{\AA}$ ]	D-H-A [ $^\circ$ ]
C1-H1A	O14 <sup>i</sup>	0.99	2.34	3.108(8)	134
C6-H6A	O2	0.95	2.48	3.382(6)	158
C14-H14A	O10	0.95	2.23	3.174(9)	171
C19-H19A	O14	0.95	2.50	3.160(8)	126
C30-H30A	O15 <sup>ii</sup>	0.95	2.49	3.389(13)	157
C35-H35A	O15 <sup>iii</sup>	0.95	2.48	3.391(12)	160
C40-H40A	O3	0.99	2.45	3.397(7)	159
C46-H46A	O1 <sup>iv</sup>	0.95	2.52	3.470(5)	176

Symmetry transformation: (i) = 1-x,-y,2-z; (ii) = -x,-y,1-z; (iii) = 1-x,-y,1-z; (iv) = 1-x,1-y,2-z.