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[Ag₄Br₆] cluster-based 3D bromoargentate hybrid: Crystal structure, optical/photoelectric performance and theoretical study

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1. More structural details of compound 1

Table S1 Selected bond lengths (Å) and bond angles (°) for compound 1.

Ag(1)–N(1)	2.442(12)	Ag(1)–Ag(1)#1	3.149(2)
Ag(1)–Br(1)#1	2.7002(14)	Ag(1)–Ag(1)#3	3.149(2)
Ag(1)–Br(1)	2.7002(15)	Ag(1)–Ag(1)#4	3.149(2)
Ag(1)–Br(1)#2	2.7002(15)	Br(1)–K(1)	3.4639(18)
N(1)–Ag(1)–Br(1)#1	90.40(3)	N(1)–Ag(1)–Br(1)#2	90.40(3)
N(1)–Ag(1)–Br(1)	90.40(3)	Br(1)#1–Ag(1)–Br(1)#2	119.995(1)
Br(1)#1–Ag(1)–Br(1)	119.995(1)	Br(1)–Ag(1)–Br(1)#2	119.995(1)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 $-y+1, x-1, -z$; #2 $-x+2, -z, y$; #3 $y+1, -x+1, -z$; #4 $-x+2, -y, z$.

Table S2 Hydrogen bonds (Å) and angles (°) for compound 1.

D–H \cdots A	d(D–H)	d(H \cdots A)	d(D \cdots A)	\angle (DHA)
C(1)–H(1B) \cdots Br(1)#5	0.97	3.10	3.778(6)	127.9
C(1)–H(1B) \cdots Br(1)#1	0.97	3.10	3.778(6)	127.9
C(1)–H(1A) \cdots Br(1)	0.97	3.10	3.778(6)	127.9
C(1)–H(1A) \cdots Br(1)#6	0.97	3.10	3.778(6)	127.9

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: #1 $-y+1, x-1, -z$; #6 $y+1/2, -x+3/2, -z$; #5 $-x+3/2, -y+1/2, z$.

Table S3 Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{Å}^2 \times 10^3$) for compound 1.

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{(eq)}}$
Ag(1)	9178(1)	822(1)	822(1)	31(1)
Br(1)	10000	2442(1)	0	48(1)
K(1)	10000	5000	0	50(2)
N(1)	8137(5)	1863(5)	1863(5)	14(2)
C(1)	7500	2500	1237(9)	20(2)
N(2)	2500	2500	2500	23(6)

Table S4 Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{Å}^2 \times 10^3$) for compound 1.

	U_{11}	U_{22}	U_{33}	U_{23}	U_{13}	U_{12}
Ag(1)	31(1)	31(1)	31(1)	–5(1)	5(1)	5(1)
Br(1)	57(1)	30(1)	57(1)	0	34(1)	0
K(1)	50(2)	50(2)	50(2)	0	0	0
N(1)	14(2)	14(2)	14(2)	–2(3)	2(3)	2(3)
C(1)	19(3)	19(3)	21(6)	0	0	2(5)
N(1)	23(6)	23(6)	23(6)	0	0	0

Table S5 Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{Å}^2 \times 10^3$) for compound **1**.

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{(eq)}}$
H(1A)	7910	2910	817	23
H(1B)	7090	2090	817	23
H(1)	2330(100)	2051(19)	2051(19)	34

2. Crystal structure

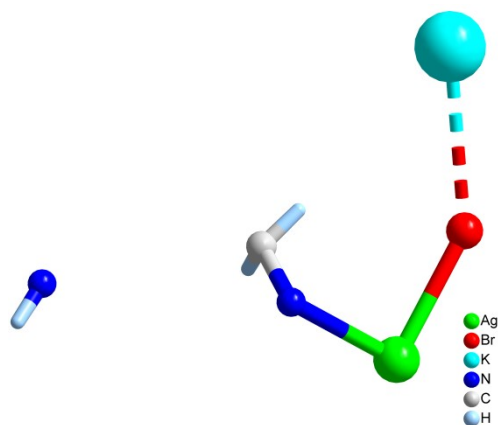


Fig. S1 The asymmetric unit of compound **1**.

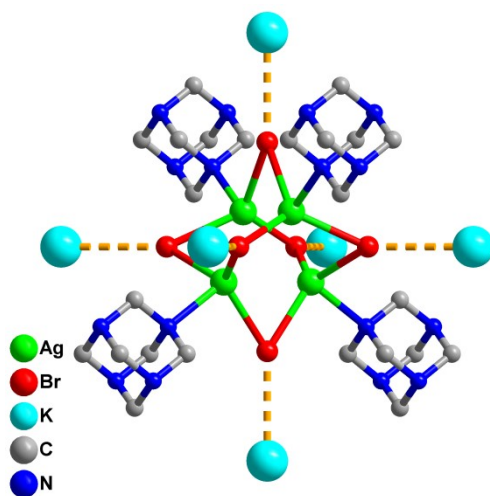


Fig. S2 A comprehensive view of the coordination environment among the $[\text{Ag}_4\text{Br}_6]$ cluster, Hmta ligands and the K^+ ions.

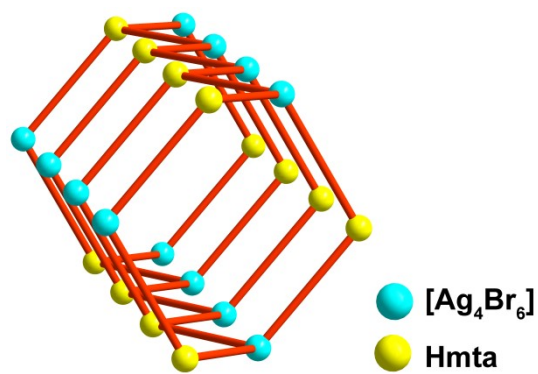


Fig. S3 The simplified topology for showing the 1D channel.

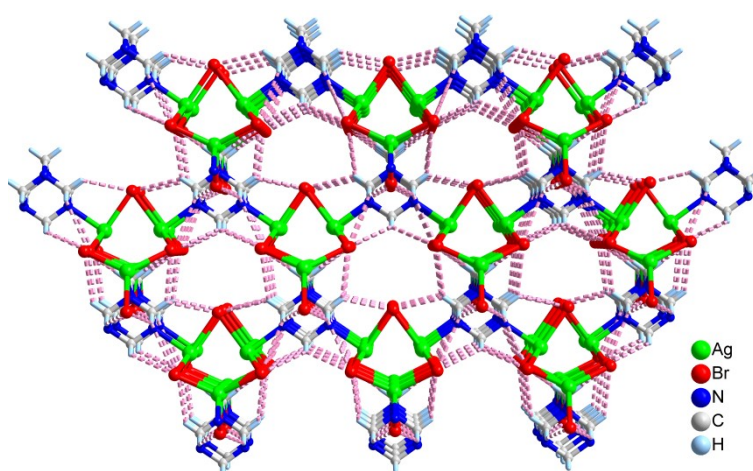


Fig. S4 Stacking diagram of compound **1** viewed along the $[1\ 1\ 0]$ direction; dashed lines show the interactions of $C-H\cdots Br$.

3. EDX

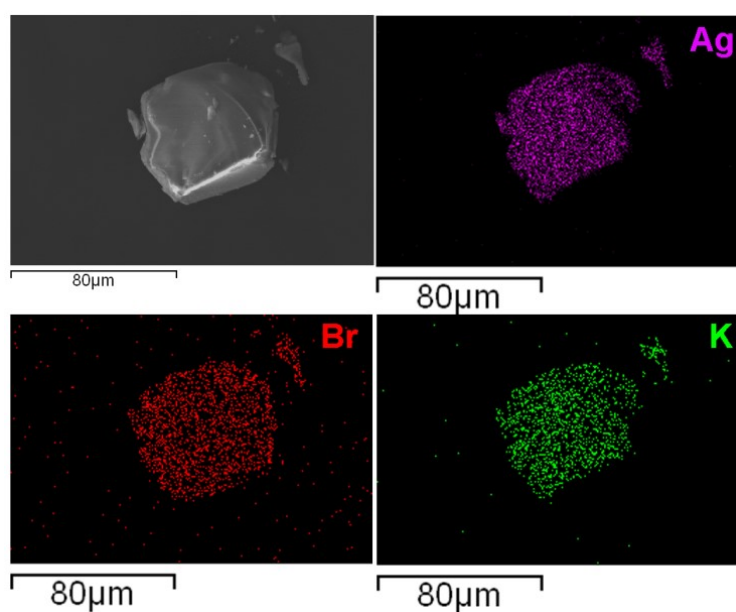


Fig. S5 The SEM and element mapping of Ag, Br and K for compound **1**.

4. DSC

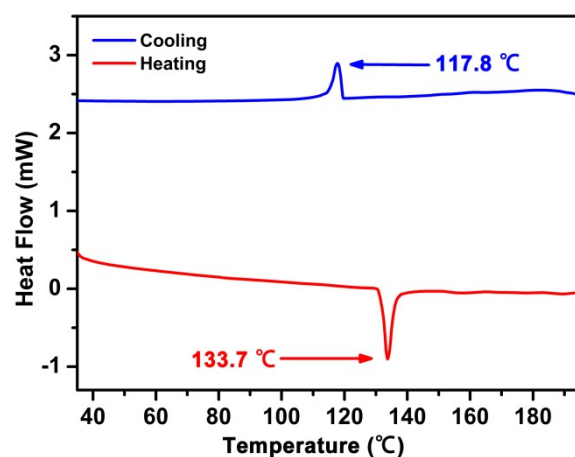


Fig. S6 The DSC curves of compound 1.

5. Tauc plot

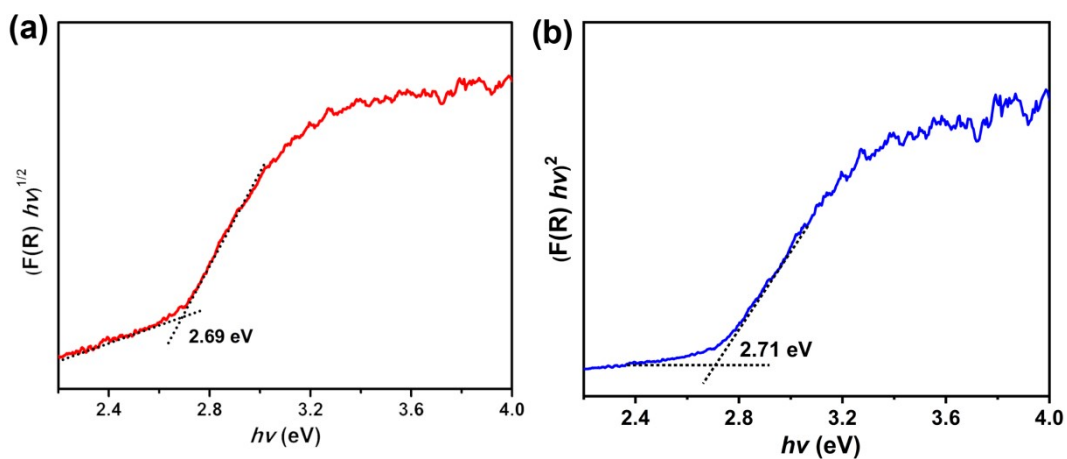


Fig. S7 Tauc plots of compound 1 corresponding to an indirect (a) and a direct (b) optical bandgap.

6. XPS

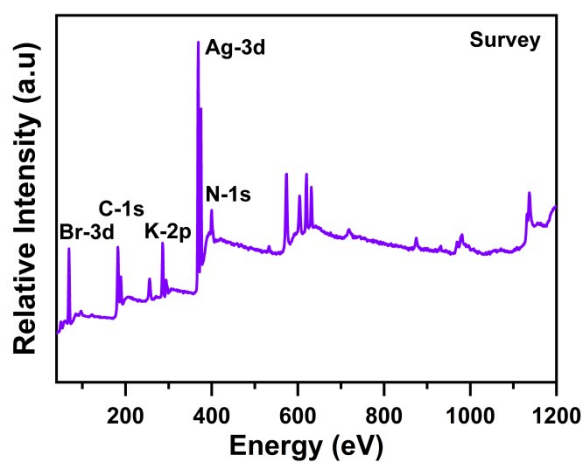


Fig. S8 The XPS survey spectrum of compound 1.

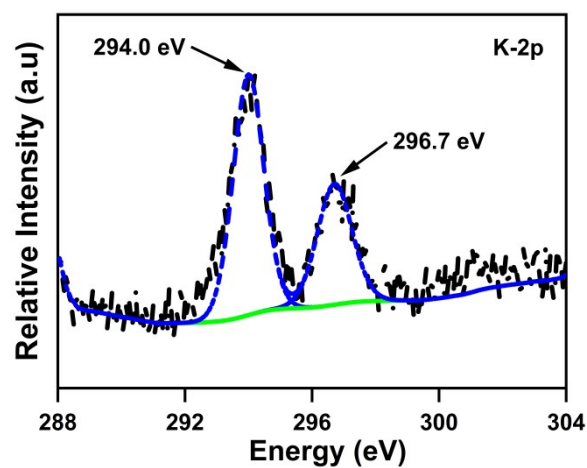


Fig. S9 The high-resolution K-2p peaks in compound 1.

7. DFT calculations

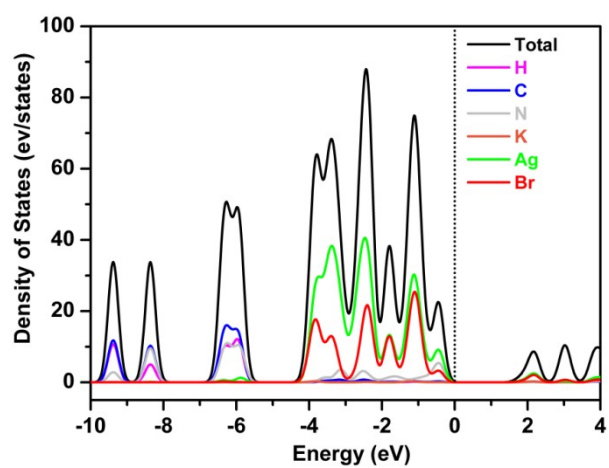


Fig. S10 The total density of states and partial density of states of compound 1. Fermi level is set at 0 eV (dashed line).

Table S6 Summary of some representative haloargentate and halocuprate clusters coordinated by Hmta ligand and the derivative.

Compound	Dimension	Cluster unit	Ligand	Ref.
K[NH ₄][Ag ₄ Br ₆ (Hmta)]	3D	[Ag ₄ Br ₆]	Hmta	This work
[NH ₄][Me-Hmta][Ag ₄ Br ₆ (Hmta)]	3D	[Ag ₄ Br ₆]	Hmta	[1]
[Hmta][Ag ₄ I ₄ (Hmta)]	3D	[Ag ₄ I ₄]	Hmta	[2]
[NH ₄][Ag ₅ I ₆ (Hmta)]	2D	[Ag ₅ I ₆]	Hmta	[3]
[Ag ₈ I ₆ (Hmta) ₂] ₂	3D	[Ag ₈ I ₆]	Hmta	[2]
[Cu ₄ Cl ₆ (Hmta)][Cu ₃ (OH)(Hmta)]·3H ₂ O	3D	[Cu ₅ Cl ₆]; [Cu ₆ Cl ₆]	Hmta	[4]
[Cu ₄ (μ-Cl) ₆ (μ ₄ -O)Cu(OH) ₂ (μ-PTA=O) ₄]·2Cl·EtOH·2.5H ₂ O	3D	[Cu ₄ Cl ₆ O]	PTA=O	[5]
[Et-Hmta][Cu ₄ I ₆ (Et-hmta)]·CH ₃ CN	2D	[Cu ₄ I ₆]	Et-Hmta	[6]

Table S7 Summary of the band gaps of representative organic-inorganic hybrid haloargentates in the literature.

Compound	Space group	Band gap (eV)	Ref.
K[NH ₄][Ag ₄ Br ₆ (Hmta)]	$F\bar{4}3m$	2.68	This work
[Co(phen) ₃] ₂ Ag ₁₁ I ₁₅ ·H ₂ O	$P63/m$	2.84	[7]
[(Ni(bipy) ₃][H-2,2-bipy]Ag ₃ I ₆	$C2$	2.75	[8]
[Zn(bipy) ₃] ₂ Ag ₃ I ₅	$P2_12_12_1$	2.61	[9]
K[Zn(bipy) ₃] ₂ Ag ₆ Br ₁₁	$R\bar{3}$	2.61	[10]
[Zn(bipy) ₃] ₂ Ag ₁₃ Br ₁₇	$Pcca$	2.71	[10]
[MV(Ag ₂ Br ₄) _n	$P2_1/n$	2.79	[11]
[NH ₄] ₂ AgBr ₃	$Pnma$	2.50	[12]
[(EC)(Ag ₂ I ₃) _n	$P2_1/m$	2.80	[13]
[(PC)(Ag ₅ I ₆) _n	$Pbca$	2.72	[13]
[Ni(DMSO) ₆][Ag ₅ I ₇]	$Pbcm$	2.73	[14]
[V(DMSO) ₅ (H ₂ O)][Ag ₆ I ₈]	$P2_1/c$	2.61	[14]
[Ni(phen) ₃] ₂ Ag ₁₃ Br ₁₇ ·2DMSO·3H ₂ O	$I2_13$	2.24	[15]
[C ₄ H ₁₀ N] ₄ AgBiBr ₈	$C2/m$	2.85	[16]
[Co(bipy) ₃] ₂ Ag ₃ I ₆	$R\bar{3}$	2.03	[17]
[Co(phen) ₃] ₂ Ag ₂ I ₄ ·3DMF	$P\bar{1}$	2.59	[18]

Table S8 Summary of the photocurrent densities of similar haloargentates in this work and references.

Compound	Light source	Photocurrent density ($\mu\text{A cm}^{-2}$)	Ref.
K[NH ₄][Ag ₄ Br ₆ (Hmta)]	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.38	This work
[Co(bipy) ₃] ₂ Ag ₄ Bi ₂ Br ₁₆	$\lambda > 420$ nm	1.10	[19]
[Ni(bipy) ₃]AgBiBr ₆	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.28	[20]
[Fe(bipy) ₃]AgBiBr ₆	$\lambda > 420$ nm	2.2	[20]
[Fe(phen) ₃]Ag ₂ PbBr ₆	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.4	[21]
[Ni(phen) ₃]Ag ₂ PbBr ₆	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.07	[21]
[NH ₄][Fe(bipy) ₃] ₂ [Ag ₆ Br ₁₁]	$\lambda > 420$ nm	3.0	[22]
[Co(phen) ₃]Ag ₂ PbI ₆	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.16	[23]
[Ni(5,5-dmpy) ₃]Ag ₇ I ₉ ·CH ₃ CN	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.14	[23]
[Co(5,5-dmpy) ₃]Ag ₅ I ₈	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.14	[23]
[Ni(5,5-dmbpy) ₃] ₂ Ag _{4,9} I _{8,9} ·4H ₂ O	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.5	[24]
[Ag ₂ I ₂ (phen)] _n	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.32	[25]
[AgI(bpt)] _n	$\lambda > 420$ nm	0.66	[25]

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