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HIGHLIGHTS
Ion pairs based on porphyrin–Au$^{\text{III}}$ complexes as $\pi$-electronic cations were prepared

Porphyrin–Au$^{\text{III}}$ complexes formed ion-pairing assemblies in combination with anions

Aliphatic substituents in the cations provided liquid crystalline mesophases

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SUMMARY

Porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ complexes were found to act as $\pi$-electronic cations, which can combine with various counterions, including $\pi$-electronic anions. Single-crystal X-ray analyses revealed the formation of assemblies with contributions of charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assemblies, depending on the geometry and electronic state of the counterions. Porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ complexes possessing aliphatic alkyl chains formed dimension-controlled ion-pairing assemblies as thermotropic liquid crystals, whose ionic components were highly organized by $\pi$–$\pi$ stacking and electrostatic interactions.

INTRODUCTION

An ordered arrangement of $\pi$-electronic species is crucial for the fabrication of functional organic materials such as organic electronic devices including field-effect transistors, light-emitting diodes, and photovoltaic cells (Würthner, 2005; Nakanishi, 2011; Koch, 2015). In contrast to the materials comprising single-species components, noncovalent interactions, such as hydrogen bonding, metal coordination, and donor–acceptor interactions, are required for the organization of complementary pairs of $\pi$-electronic molecules in materials (Kato et al., 2006). The obtained materials would exhibit diverse properties and functionalities according to the particular combinations of constituent building units. Synergetic uses of electrostatic interactions and other noncovalent interactions, including $\pi$–$\pi$ stacking, is very important for the alignment of $\pi$-electronic charged species (cations and anions) and the formation of dimension-controlled assemblies including fiber and sheet solid materials, supramolecular gels, and liquid crystals (Faul, 2014; Goossens et al., 2016; Haketa and Maeda, 2017, 2018). An advantage of using electrostatic interactions is the formation of various ion-pairing materials by combining constituent $\pi$-electronic ions: for example, 10 kinds of cations and 10 kinds of anions are mixed to ideally provide 100 kinds of ion pairs. Furthermore, assembling modes can be modulated by constituent ions as well as by the environment, thus exhibiting particular properties according to the arrangement of charged building units even in an ion pair. Fundamentally, the stacking of oppositely and identically charged $\pi$-electronic ions results in charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assembling modes, respectively, as well as their contributing assemblies (Figure 1A) (Haketa and Maeda, 2017, 2018). Controlling these two characteristic assembling modes is an important issue for the fabrication of electronic materials. In addition, the combinations of cations and anions, not restricted to $\pi$-electronic ions, do not always afford ion pairs, whose production and state are significantly influenced by the geometries and electronic states of the constituent ions (Figure 1B). Thus the design and synthesis of charged species, along with their appropriate choice, are crucial for the examination of ion-pairing materials. Over the past few years, the formation of assemblies with charge-by-charge and charge-segregated contributions has been achieved based on $\pi$-electronic anions (Diels, 1942; Webster, 1965; Kuhn and Re-wicki, 1967; Sakai et al., 2013) combined with appropriate cations in single crystals (Bruce et al., 1984, 1986; Radhakrishnan et al., 1986; Watson et al., 1989; Jayanty and Radhakrishnan, 1999; Richardson and Reed, 2004; Less et al., 2010; Bando et al., 2016). For example, pentacyanocyclopentadienide (PCCP) (Webster, 1965), a stable six $\pi$-electron aromatic anionic species with a planar geometry, afforded charge-by-charge assemblies with $\pi$-electronic cations in single crystals (Bruce et al., 1986; Bando et al., 2016) and also formed charge-segregated assemblies with bulky tetraalkylammonium cations in single crystals and liquid crystal mesophases (Less et al., 2010; Bando et al., 2016). Furthermore, ion-pairing assemblies, such as supramolecular gels and liquid crystals, were formed with pseudo $\pi$-electronic anions as complexes of $\pi$-electronic host molecules (receptors) and guest anions (Haketa et al., 2010, 2012; Dong et al., 2012, 2013a, 2013b). More importantly, the above-mentioned soft materials based on $\pi$-electronic ion-pairing assemblies exhibit fascinating electric conductivity due to the contribution of charge-segregated assemblies (Dong et al., 2012, 2013a, 2013b; Haketa et al., 2012; Bando et al., 2016). Although the recent development of ionic self-assembly (Faul, 2014) has revealed potential applications for various functional...
nanostructured materials, there have been no studies of dimension-controlled ion-pairing assemblies based on charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assemblies, comprising genuine π-electronic cations and anions.

As porphyrin acts as a dianionic tetradeutate ligand for various metal ions, trivalent metal cations can afford positively charged porphyrin–metal complexes as π-electronic cationic species in the absence of axial coordination. An important strategy is the use of Au(III) (d⁸), which provides planar porphyrin–Au(III) complexes as stable π-electronic cations that require no axial ligands (Fleischer and Laszlo, 1969; Timkovich and Tulinsky, 1977; Shachter et al., 1987; Brun et al., 1991; Kilså et al., 2001; Andersson et al., 2002; Che et al., 2003; Eng et al., 2005; Wang et al., 2007; Fortage et al., 2008; Sun et al., 2010; Ou et al., 2011, 2013; He et al., 2014; Preiß et al., 2016, 2017), resulting in the potential formation of ion pairs with various anions. Thus far, porphyrin–Au(III) complexes have been utilized as anticancer agents (Che et al., 2003; Wang et al., 2007; Sun et al., 2010; He et al., 2014), electron-accepting units in donor-acceptor systems (Brun et al., 1991; Kilså et al., 2001; Andersson et al., 2002; Eng et al., 2005; Fortage et al., 2008), and also as precursors for porphyrin–Au(II) complexes (Ou et al., 2011, 2013; Preiß et al., 2016, 2017). Although there is some research on the molecular structures and assemblies of porphyrin–Au(III) complex ion pairs in single crystals (Timkovich and Tulinsky, 1977; Shachter et al., 1987; Che et al., 2003; Sun et al., 2010) and in irregularly shaped nanoscale aggregates (So et al., 2008), surprisingly, their dimension-controlled assemblies as soft materials have not been reported. Peripheral modifications of porphyrins enable the modulation of the structures and properties of porphyrin–Au(III) complexes (π-electronic cations), which significantly affect the assembling states. In the past few decades, apart from porphyrin complexes, several cationic Au(III) complexes

Figure 1. Conceptual Diagram of Ion-Pairing Arrangement and States

(A and B) (A) Stacking assemblies of oppositely and identically charged π-electronic ions: charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assembling modes and their contributing assemblies and (B) schematic representation of the formation of ion-pairing assemblies (crystals and dimension-controlled assemblies) depending on the combination of appropriately modified cations (i) non-aliphatic and (ii) aliphatic π-electronic cations) and anions. The assembling strategy in this study focuses on genuine π-electronic ions, whose core units have a charge, rather than the species bearing ionic moieties at the side chains.
have been reported, including cyclometalated complexes (Adams et al., 1991; Zhang et al., 2012; Ogawa et al., 2013; Yam et al., 2015; Kumar and Nevado, 2017). Among them, cationic Au III complexes that provide dimension-controlled assemblies are very few, presumably because of their low thermal stability, difficulty for peripheral modification, and unsuitable combination with counteranions (Adams et al., 1991; Zhang et al., 2012; Ogawa et al., 2013). Therefore, there is a great advantage in utilizing porphyrin–Au III complexes as the cationic components of stacking assemblies of π-electronic ions, especially for ordered columnar assemblies via the collaboration of π–π stacking and electrostatic interactions. Herein, the ion-pairing assemblies of porphyrin–Au III complexes with various counteranions are investigated. This article reports the first example of dimension-controlled assemblies based on charge-by-charge and charge-segregated modes mainly as liquid crystals consisting of π-electronic systems, with both cationic and anionic building units.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION
Preparation of Ion Pairs
Porphyrin–Au III complex cations paired with desired anions were prepared by Au III complexation of porphyrins by treatment with KAuCl 4 and a subsequent anion exchange with the obtained Cl – ion pair of the porphyrin–Au III complexes (Figure 2) (Che et al., 2003). For example, the Cl – ion pair of a meso-tetraarylporphyrin Au III complex (Au 0 +-Cl –), prepared from 2H0, was treated with 3 equiv. of Ag + ion pairs of BF 4 – and PF 6 –, followed by the removal of AgCl, silica gel column chromatography, and recrystallization with CH 2Cl2/n-hexane, affording purified ion pairs Au 0 +-BF 4 – and Au 0 +-PF 6 – as red solids with yields of 70% and 55%, respectively. Treating Au 0 +-Cl – with a Na + ion pair of PCCp – (Sakai et al., 2013) also afforded an ion pair Au 0 +-PCCp –, with an 82% yield, after the purification procedures. In this study, these counteranions were selected due to their characteristic geometries and electronic structures that can control assembling modes. It is noteworthy that the high stability of the ion pairs enables their purification through normal-phase silica gel columns and recrystallization under ambient conditions (see the detailed procedures in the Supplemental Information (Figures S1–S40)). Interestingly, the obtained ion pairs showed characteristic polarities according to coexisting counteranions (Cl – >BF 4 – >PF 6 – >PCCp –) on silica gel chromatography (Figures 3 A and S2). The characterization of the ion pairs, especially the determination of the 1:1 molar ratio of cationic Au 0 + and corresponding anions, was conducted via elemental analysis. 19F nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) was also measured to determine molar ratios for the ion pairs with BF 4 – and PF 6 –. The ion pairs Au 0 +-X – (X – =Cl –, BF 4 –, PF 6 –, and PCCp –) showed similar ultraviolet-visible (UV-vis) absorption spectra in CH 2Cl2 derived from Au 0 + as a monomeric state with the maxima (λmax) of a Soret band at 409 nm (ε = ~4 x 10 5 M –1 cm –1) and a Q band at 521 nm (ε = ~2 x 10 4 M –1 cm –1) (Figure S40). The molecular orbitals (MO) of Au 0 +-PCCp –, investigated by density functional theory at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) with def2TZVP for Au, showed separately localized electron spin densities for Au 0 + and PCCp – (Figure S61) (Frisch et al., 2013). The theoretical studies support the fact that oppositely charged π-electronic ions exist as electronically independent species.
The polarities of the ion pairs depend on how delocalized negative charges the constituent anions have. Using different polarities, ion pairs based on porphyrin–AuIII cations can be separated by silica gel chromatography when two different ion pairs are mixed in one solution (Figure 3B). The ion pairs $\text{Au}^0\text{Cl}^-$ and $\text{Au}^0\text{PCCp}^-$ showed $R_f$ values of 0.06 and 0.52, respectively, with 5% MeOH/CH$_2$Cl$_2$ as an eluent (i, ii).

Thin-layer chromatography analysis of the 1:1 mixture of $\text{Au}^0\text{Cl}^-$ and PCCp$^-$ as a tetrabutylammonium ion pair (TBAPCCp) in CH$_2$Cl$_2$ solution, and small amounts of $\text{Au}^0\text{Cl}^-$ and TBAPCIP (iii), Figure S3). The size of the spot of $\text{Au}^0\text{PCCp}^-$ in (iii) is approximately twice of that in (ii). This result clearly showed the preferential formation of $\text{Au}^0\text{PCCp}^-$ along with undetectable TBACl during the ion-exchange process.

**Solid-State Structures of Ion Pairs**

The exact structures and ion-pairing assemblies of $\text{Au}^0\text{Cl}^-$ in the solid state were elucidated by X-ray analysis, as an examination of a previous study (Timkovich and Tulinsky, 1977), wherein single crystals were prepared by vapor diffusion of CHCl$_3$/n-hexane (Figures S41 and S42, crystallographic details of all crystals are summarized in Table S1). Two crystal pseudo-polymorphs (type A and B) were obtained from the same crystallization conditions. In both packing types, columnar structures based on a charge-by-charge assembly were observed for $\text{Au}^0$ and Cl$^-$ associated with co-crystallized CHCl$_3$ molecules (Figure 4). In the type A polymorph, a two-by-two charge-by-charge structure was formed, based on repeating arrangement of a pair of $\text{Au}^0\text{Cl}^-$ and the stacking of two $\text{Au}^0$ planes with a distance of 3.75 Å (Figures 4A and S48). On the other hand, the type B polymorph showed a one-by-one charge-by-charge columnar structure of $\text{Au}^0$ and Cl$^-$ associated with four CHCl$_3$ molecules with a distance of 9.28 Å between two $\text{Au}^0$ planes (Figures 4B and S49). It is noteworthy that the proximal Au•••Cl$^-$ distances for type A and B polymorphs are 3.00 and 3.12 Å, respectively, which are comparable with the sum of the ionic radii of Au$^3+$ and Cl$^-$ (3.18 Å), suggesting the formation of contact ion pair (Figures 4A and 4B). Furthermore, the lines passing through both Au and Cl have angles of 76.9° and 80.2° for the type A and B structures, respectively, not 90°, to the mean planes of $\text{Au}^0$ (core 25 atoms including Au). Therefore, Cl$^-$ is not likely coordinated to the core AuIII, but proximally located around $\text{Au}^0$ as a π-electronic cation by rather electrostatic interactions.

The solid-state structures of the ion pairs $\text{Au}^0\text{BF}_4^-$ and $\text{Au}^0\text{PF}_6^-$ were also elucidated by X-ray analysis of single crystals prepared by vapor diffusion of CH$_2$Cl$_2$/n-hexane and (CH$_2$Cl)$_2$/n-hexane, respectively (Figures S43 and S44). A columnar structure comprising stacked $\text{Au}^0$ was observed in the crystal of $\text{Au}^0\text{BF}_4^-$ with stacking distances of 3.73 and 3.88 Å between the porphyrin mean planes (core 25 atoms) and Au•••Au distances of 5.05 and 5.48 Å (Figures 5A and S50). The counter BF$_4^-$ anion was located beside the $\text{Au}^0$ stacking columns, forming a charge-segregated assembly. Similar to $\text{Au}^0\text{BF}_4^-$, $\text{Au}^0\text{PF}_6^-$ formed a charge-segregated assembly with separately stacked $\text{Au}^0$, with distances of 3.87 and 3.89 Å, and PF$_6^-$ (Figures 5B and S51).

In contrast to the charge-segregated assemblies of $\text{Au}^0\text{BF}_4^-$ and $\text{Au}^0\text{PF}_6^-$, a charge-by-charge assembly was observed in the single crystal of $\text{Au}^0\text{PCCp}^-$, which was prepared by vapor diffusion of (CH$_2$Cl)$_2$/CH$_3$CN (Figures 5C, S45, and S52). A columnar structure comprising alternately stacked $\text{Au}^0$
and PCCp$^-$ was observed with stacking distances of 3.37 and 3.40 Å between the porphyrin mean planes (core 25 atoms) and PCCp$^-$. The charge-by-charge column is fairly stabilized by π–π stacking, and electrostatic interactions worked for oppositely charged species. The Au⋯Au distance of 6.77 Å was almost equal to the sum of the stacking distances for Au$^0^+$ and PCCp$^-$, suggesting an almost completely perpendicular stacking. The two farthest cyan nitrogens in a single component of PCCp$^-$ have a distance of 7.20 Å, which is suitable for stacking with the porphyrin core planes, thus facilitating the alternate stacking.

Figure 4. Single-Crystal X-Ray Structures of Au$^0^+$-Cl$^-$(A and B) (A) Type A and (B) type B. (i) representative packing modes as top views of one layer, (ii) space-filling packing models as side views from the arrows shown in (i), and (iii) top and side views of enlarged ion pairs, as indicated by red-dashed areas in (ii). Atom color code in (i) and (iii): brown, pink, light blue, green, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, chlorine, and gold, respectively. Color code in (ii): cyan and magenta represent cations and anions, respectively.
process. The electrostatic potentials (ESP) of \text{Au}^{0+}\text{PCC}_{\text{c}}–, calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) with def2TZVP for Au based on the crystal structure, revealed absolutely small negative charges in \text{Au}^{0+} due to stacking with \text{PCC}_{\text{c}}– compared with \text{Au}^{0+}\text{Cl}–, where a more greater electron density was observed in \text{Au}^{0+} at the site proximal to \text{Cl}– (Figures S55–S58) (Frisch et al., 2013).

**Dimension-Controlled Ion-Pairing Assemblies: Supramolecular Gels**

To induce dimension-controlled ion-pairing assemblies in soft materials, aliphatic alkoxy chains were introduced at the meso-aryl moieties of porphyrin–Au\text{III} cations. The \text{Cl}– ion pairs \text{Au}^{n+}\text{Cl}– (n = 8, 12, 16, and 20), derived from the corresponding aliphatic porphyrins \text{H}_{2}\text{N} (Maruyama et al., 2010; Nowak-Królik et al., 2010) (Figure 2), were further anion exchanged and purified with silica gel followed by recrystallization with CH\text{2}Cl\text{2}/MeOH, resulting in ion pairs \text{Au}^{n+}\text{X}– (n = 8, 12, 16, and 20; \text{X}– = \text{BF}_4–, \text{PF}_6–, and \text{PCC}_{\text{c}}–) as air-stable red solids. Notably, this preparation process is easily adapted to the preparation of gram-scale ion pairs. Interestingly, the ion pairs formed anion-dependent nanostructured aggregates. For example, \text{Au}^{16+}\text{PCC}_{\text{c}}– formed a supramolecular gel in octane (10 mg/mL), comprising uniform fibers with diameters of ca. 0.5 \text{μm} and lengths of >50 \text{μm}, as revealed by optical and atomic force microscopic observations (Figures S6A, S6B, and S6C). \text{Au}^{16+}\text{BF}_4– also formed aggregates as a precipitate in octane (10 mg/mL) consisting of entangled fibers with diameters of 1–3 \text{μm} and lengths of >100 \text{μm}. Other aliphatic ion pairs \text{Au}^{16+}\text{X}– (\text{X}– = \text{Cl}– and \text{PF}_6–) showed no aggregation under these conditions. Synchrotron X-ray diffraction (XRD) analysis for the xerogel of \text{Au}^{16+}\text{PCC}_{\text{c}}– revealed the diffraction peaks of a rectangular columnar (Col) structure with a = 4.90, b = 4.36, c = 0.73 nm, and \(Z = 2\) \((p = 0.83)\) based on a charge-by-charge assembly (Figures 6C, S121, and S122, and Table S20). Furthermore, the broader UV-vis absorption bands of \text{Au}^{16+}\text{PCC}_{\text{c}}– in octane \((4 \times 10^{-6} \text{M})\) than those in CH\text{2}Cl\text{2} suggested the formation of tightly bound ion pairs and resulting aggregates (Figure S66).
Dimension-Controlled Ion-Pairing Assemblies: Thermotropic Liquid Crystals

Differential scanning calorimetry of the metal-free porphyrins $2H_n$ ($n = 8, 12, 16,$ and 20) and ion pairs $\text{Au}_n^+\text{-X}^-$ ($n = 8, 12, 16,$ and 20; $\text{X}^- = \text{Cl}^-, \text{BF}_4^-, \text{PF}_6^-$, and $\text{PCCp}^-$) revealed the formation of mesophases (Figures S67 and S68), whose transition temperatures are summarized in Table 1 (Table S2), as also observed in the corresponding polarized optical microscopic (POM) observations (Figure S69, also summarized in Figure S70). In the case of using precursory metal-free porphyrins as the reference species of the ion pairs, $2H_8$ exhibited no mesophases during thermal process, whereas $2H_{12}$ showed a transition to the lamellar state at $-19^\circ C$ upon cooling. On the other hand, $2H_{16}$ and $2H_{20}$ showed mesophase transitions, for example, at $26^\circ C$/$14^\circ C$/$17^\circ C$ and $26^\circ C$/$32^\circ C$ for $2H_{16}$ upon cooling and heating, respectively, with the appearance of a fan-shaped POM texture (Figure 7A).

Compared with the porphyrins, the ion pairs $\text{Au}_{n}^+\text{-Cl}^-$ ($n = 12$ and 16) exhibited mesophases in wide temperature ranges; for example, $\text{Au}_{16}^+\text{-Cl}^-$ showed transitions at $109^\circ C$/$37^\circ C$/$40^\circ C$/$111^\circ C$ for cooling and heating, respectively, with the appearance of a focal conic POM texture (Figure 7B). $\text{Au}_{8}^+\text{-Cl}^-$ showed no mesophase, whereas $\text{Au}_{20}^+\text{-BF}_4^-$ showed thermal transitions at $63^\circ C$/$48^\circ C$ and $59^\circ C$/$80^\circ C$ upon cooling and heating, respectively (Figure 7C). Meanwhile, $\text{Au}_{12}^+\text{-PF}_6^-$ exhibited mesophases with transition temperatures at $105^\circ C$/$75^\circ C$/$-42^\circ C$ and $-40^\circ C$/$113^\circ C$ upon cooling and heating, respectively, although the other PF$_6^-$ ion pairs showed no mesophases.

In sharp contrast to the less clear assembling behaviors of the nonplanar counteranions, the ion pairs $\text{Au}_{n}^+\text{-PCCp}^-$ ($n = 16$ and 20) exhibited clear mesophases. The mesophase temperatures for $\text{Au}_{n}^+\text{-PCCp}^-$ ($n = 16$ and 20) were observed at $292^\circ C$/$36^\circ C$ and $43^\circ C$/$293^\circ C$ and $260^\circ C$/$61^\circ C$ and $67^\circ C$/$262^\circ C$ upon cooling and heating, respectively, suggesting the existence of significantly wide-temperature-range mesophases compared with those for the other ion pairs investigated. The PCCp$^-$ ion pairs exhibited dendritic POM textures, suggesting hexagonally arranged assemblies (Figure 7D). Interestingly, longer alkyl chains induced higher transition temperatures for the mesophases and lower clearing points, which can be explained by the compromise between the van der Waals interactions of aliphatic chains and the stacking assemblies of $\text{Au}^+$ and PCCp$^-$. In addition, the ion pair $\text{Au}_{8}^+\text{-PCCp}^-$ showed no mesophase with a melting point at ca. $383^\circ C$, which corresponds to the decomposition of the ion pair, whereas $\text{Au}_{12}^+\text{-PCCp}^-$ was slightly transformed to other unidentified species after the transition to isotropic liquid (Iso) at $>300^\circ C$. The observations in $\text{Au}_{n}^+\text{-PCCp}^-$ ($n = 8$ and 12) also suggested that their stabilities as seen in the bulk states are maintained even at high temperatures.

Structural Determinations of Ion-Pairing Liquid Crystals

The packing structures of the ion-pairing assemblies in the mesophases were examined by synchrotron XRD analysis (Table 1, Figures S71–S120, and Tables S2–S19). For the metal-free porphyrins, in contrast to the liquid states of $2H_8$ and $2H_{12}$ with shorter alkyl chains (Maruyama et al., 2010; Nowak-Krołęta et al., 2010), the assemblies of $2H_{16}$ and $2H_{20}$ exhibited lamellar structures with interdigitating alkyl chains (Figure 8A[i, ii]). In contrast, the porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ ion pairs formed characteristic anion-dependent ordered
assemblies. The results revealed that \( \text{Au}^{n+}-\text{Cl}^- \) \((n = 12, 16, \text{and } 20)\) formed a hexagonal columnar (Col h) structure in the mesophase; for example, \( \text{Au}^{16+}-\text{Cl}^- \) showed a Col h structure at 100 °C (cooling) with \( a = 3.73, c = 0.36 \text{ nm}, \text{and } Z = 1 \) \((a = 1.44)\) (Figure 8B [i, ii]). The peak at 0.36 nm (001) indicated the ordered \( \pi-\pi \) stacking distance of porphyrin–Au III cations, which formed a charge-segregated columnar structure. Furthermore, the peak at 0.53 nm was ascribable to the ordered arrangement of counter \( \text{Cl}^- \) or peripheral

| Ion Pairs | Cooling\(^b\) | Heating\(^b\) |
|----------|---------------|---------------|
| 2Hn      |               |               |
| \( n = 8 \) | Iso\(^a\)     | Iso\(^c\)     |
| \( n = 12 \) | lamellar – 19 Iso | lamellar – 9 Iso |
| \( n = 16 \) | lamellar 17\(^a\) lamellar 26 Iso | lamellar 26\(^b\) lamellar 32 Iso |
| \( n = 20 \) | lamellar 43 lamellar 49 Iso | lamellar 53 Iso |
| \( \text{Au}^{n+}-\text{Cl}^- \) |               |               |
| \( n = 8 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 122 Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 144 Iso |
| \( n = 12 \) | Col \(_{h}\) – 22\(^{a,b}\) Col \(_{h}\) 120 Iso | Col \(_{h}\) – 20\(^{a}\) Col \(_{h}\) 138\(^{b}\) Iso |
| \( n = 16 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 37 Col \(_{h}\) 109\(^a\) Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 40 Col \(_{h}\) 111 Iso |
| \( n = 20 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 53 Col \(_{h}\) 57 Col \(_{h}\) 61 Col \(_{h}\) 70 Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 60 Col \(_{h}\) 65 Col \(_{h}\) 73 Iso |
| \( \text{Au}^{n+}-\text{BF}_4^- \) |               |               |
| \( n = 8 \) | Cr 138 Iso | Cr 162 Iso |
| \( n = 12 \) | amorphous – 45\(^{a}\) Iso | amorphous – 45\(^{a}\) Iso |
| \( n = 16 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 19\(^{a,b}\) Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 20\(^{a}\) Col \(_{h}\) 61 Iso |
| \( n = 20 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 48\(^{a}\) Col \(_{h}\) 63 Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 59\(^{a}\) Col \(_{h}\) 80 Iso |
| \( \text{Au}^{n+}-\text{PF}_6^- \) |               |               |
| \( n = 8 \) | Cr 148 Iso | Cr 161 Iso |
| \( n = 12 \) | Col \(_{ab}\) – 42\(^{a}\) Col \(_{ab}\) 75 Col \(_{ab}\) 105\(^a\) Iso | Col \(_{ab}\) – 40\(^{a}\) Col \(_{ab}\) 113 Iso |
| \( n = 16 \) | lamellar 10 Iso | lamellar 12\(^{a}\) Iso |
| \( n = 20 \) | lamellar 39 Iso | lamellar 51 Iso |
| \( \text{Au}^{n+}-\text{PCCp}^- \) |               |               |
| \( n = 8 \) | _\(^a\) | _\(^a\) |
| \( n = 12 \) | _\(^a\) | _\(^a\) |
| \( n = 16 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 36 Col \(_{h}\) 292 Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 43 Col \(_{h}\) 293 Iso |
| \( n = 20 \) | Col \(_{h}\) 61 Col \(_{h}\) 260 Iso | Col \(_{h}\) 67 Col \(_{h}\) 262 Iso |

Table 1. Phase Transitions of Porphyrin–AuIII-Based Ion Pairs\(^a\)

\(^a\)Iso presents isotropic liquid, and crystalline states are shown in italic.

\(^b\)Transition temperatures (°C, the onset of the peak) from differential scanning calorimetry; first cooling and second heating scans \((5 \text{ °C min}^{-1})\) and the examinations on first heating are excluded in the discussion.

\(^c\)Evaluated from \(-100^\circ\text{C} \text{ to } 50^\circ\text{C}\).

\(^d\)Peak top temperatures due to the broad differential scanning calorimetry peaks.

\(^e\)Transition temperatures from POM.

\(^f\)Transition temperatures from second cooling.

\(^g\)Although there may be a transition at \(-0^\circ\text{C}\), the detailed examination on the possible mesophase was difficult.

\(^h\)Decomposed at 383°C.

\(^i\)Slightly transformed to other unidentified species after the transition to Iso at \(>300^\circ\text{C}\).
aryl rings, although their exact positions could not be determined. The fairly high density of the mesophase for Au\textsubscript{16}\textsuperscript{+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-} suggested an effective π–π stacking of porphyrin–Au\textsuperscript{II} cations as well as the tightly associated Cl\textsuperscript{-}. The a values increased according to the alkyl chain lengths of the cations, as observed in Au\textsubscript{n}\textsuperscript{+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-} (n = 12 and 20) showing 3.37 and 4.14 nm at 100°C and 62°C (cooling), respectively. The lattice parameters of these Col\textsubscript{h} structures were consistent with the AM1-optimized structures of the alkyl-substituted porphyrins (Figure S54) (Frisch et al., 2013).

The XRD analysis of Au\textsubscript{16}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{-} at 45°C on heating revealed a Col\textsubscript{h} structure, with peaks that were much broader than those of Au\textsubscript{16}\textsuperscript{+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-}, especially for the broad stacking height peak at 0.42 nm, suggesting the formation of a less ordered charge-segregated assembly. The formation of a charge-segregated assembly was also observed for the ion-pairing assembly of Au\textsubscript{20}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{-}, which formed a Col\textsubscript{h} structure at 52°C (cooling) with a = 3.98, c = 0.42 nm, and Z = 1 (p = 1.30) (Figure 8C [i, ii]). These charge-segregated assembling modes were also observed in the crystal structure of Au\textsubscript{0}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{-} (Figure 5A [ii]). The broad peak at 0.48 nm, which was observed in both Au\textsubscript{n}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{-} (n = 16 and 20), could be due to the arrangement of BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{-} or aryl rings. Meanwhile, Au\textsubscript{12}\textsuperscript{+}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-} formed an oblique columnar (Col\textsubscript{ob}) structure at 50°C (cooling) with a = 4.85, b = 4.11, c = 0.74 nm, γ = 99.3°, and Z = 2 (p = 0.73). In contrast to the charge-segregated ion-pairing assemblies of the Cl\textsuperscript{-} and BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{-} ion pairs, the broad XRD peak at 0.74 nm in the mesophase of Au\textsubscript{12}\textsuperscript{+}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-} was observed for the stacking of Au\textsubscript{12}\textsuperscript{+}, indicating the contribution of a less ordered charge-by-charge assembly. Therefore, Cl\textsuperscript{-}, which is a smaller anion (hard anion), is suitable for the formation of a charge-segregated assembly in bulk materials excluding solvents because it can interact with the pyrrole β-H of Au\textsubscript{12}\textsuperscript{+} through hydrogen bonding and thus can be localized around the columnar structures of Au\textsubscript{12}\textsuperscript{+}. On the other hand, PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-}, which is a more bulky anion (soft anion), is less suitable for the formation of charge-segregated assemblies because bulky anions may interfere with the stacking of porphyrin–Au\textsuperscript{II} planes by preferentially interacting with the π-electronic porphyrin–Au\textsuperscript{II} cation (soft cation) plane. According to the hard and soft acids and bases theory, soft anions tend to interact with soft cations such as π-electronic cations. This tendency is also important for the formation of charge-by-charge assemblies with π-electronic anions.

Distinctive columnar assemblies were observed when a planar π-electronic anion was used as the counter species for the porphyrin–Au\textsuperscript{II} cations. In fact, mesophases of Au\textsubscript{n}\textsuperscript{+}-PCCp\textsuperscript{-} (n = 16 and 20) exhibited...
well-defined Colₜ structures with perfect charge-by-charge assemblies. For example, in the mesophase at 280°C (cooling), Au₁⁶⁺-PCCₚ⁻ exhibited a Colₜ structure with \(a = 3.46\), \(c = 0.71\) nm, and \(Z = 1\) (\(\rho = 0.88\)) (Figure 8D i, ii). The value of 0.71 nm is almost twice that of a \(\pi-\pi\) stacking distance, indicating the distance between identical \(\pi\)-electronic charged species due to the formation of a charge-by-charge columnar assembly, as observed in the crystal structure of Au₁⁶⁺-PCCₚ⁻ (Figure 5C iii). The diffraction at 0.36 nm is a (002) peak derived from the stacking height of 0.71 nm as a (001) peak. A highly ordered arrangement of charge-by-charge assembly was also suggested by the observation of (003) and (004) peaks in wide-angle XRD (Figure S116). The speculated density of 0.88 for Au₁⁶⁺-PCCₚ⁻, which is smaller than that of Au₁⁶⁺-Cl⁻ (\(\rho = 1.44\)), reflects the alternate stacking of porphyrin–Au³⁺ and PCCₚ⁻ at the center of the columns and the resulting less dense packing of the peripheral aliphatic chains. The mesophase of Au₂⁰⁺-PCCₚ⁻ also showed a similar Colₜ structure (\(a = 3.75\), \(c = 0.71\) nm, and \(Z = 1\) [\(\rho = 0.88\)] at 250°C (cooling)) as
Au_{16}^{+}\text{-PCCp}^{-}. The exceptionally wide-temperature-range Col_h mesophases, which were observed from approximately room temperature (RT) to 300°C, were maintained by the charge-by-charge stacking of genuine π-electronic ions through synergetic p–p and electrostatic interactions.

The XRD analysis of mechanically sheared Au_{16}^{+}\text{-PCCp}^{-} at 250°C revealed that the diffractions in the wider-angle region, including that at 0.68 nm (001), were enhanced in the meridional (sheared) direction, affording an anisotropic XRD pattern at RT (Figure 9A and S124). The enhancement of the peak at 0.68 nm clearly indicates the orientation of charge-by-charge columns with an ordered intercolumnar arrangement along the sheared direction. The enhanced peak for the halo, at an angle of approximately ±20° to meridional (sheared) direction, can be ascribed to the charge-by-charge columnar assembly, which has an arrangement of laterally rotating porphyrin–Au III complexes with a rotating angle of approximately ±20° (Pisula et al., 2007). A similar anisotropic arrangement was observed for sheared Au_{20}^{+}\text{-PCCp}^{-} in the Col_r phase (a = 6.57, b = 3.26, c = 0.69 nm, and Z = 2 [p = 1.03]) at RT (Figures 9B and S125). Surprisingly, the anisotropic orientation was maintained even in the (original) higher-temperature Col_h phase (Figures 9C and S126). In this case, the Col_h mesophase at 230°C (Figure 9D [i]) showed an anisotropic orientation after shearing (Figure 9D [ii]). The ion pair exhibited the Col_r assembly at RT as a crystalline state (Figure 9D [iii]), the state of Figure 9B. Furthermore, the anisotropic orientation was maintained at 100°C in the Col_h mesophase after the phase transition from Col_h (Figure 9D [iv]), the state of Figure 9C. The retention of the domain orientations during thermal processes can be correlated with the contribution of a robust packing state due to the charge-by-charge assemblies (Figure S123) (Grigoriadis et al., 2010; Haase et al., 2011).

The solid-state UV-vis absorption spectra of Au_{16}^{+}\text{-X}^{-} (X = \text{Cl}^{-} and \text{PCCp}^{-}) and Au_{20}^{+}\text{-BF}_4^{-} at RT upon cooling showed a λ_{max} at 425 nm with characteristic small bands; the \text{Cl}^{-} and \text{BF}_4^{-} ion pairs showed similar peaks at 535/576 (shoulder) and 539/577 nm, respectively, whereas the \text{PCCp}^{-} ion pair showed a blue-shifted shoulder peak at 527 nm (Figure S63). The red-shifted shoulder peaks of the \text{Cl}^{-} and \text{BF}_4^{-} ion pairs are derived from the stacking of porphyrin–Au III cations in the charge-segregated assembly. The large peak of Au_{20}^{+}\text{-BF}_4^{-} at 577 nm can be the result of a possible slipped stacking of the porphyrin core unit due to the less ordered arrangement. In contrast, the blue-shifted shoulder of Au_{16}^{+}\text{-PCCp}^{-} is more similar to the Q band of the solution-state monomeric ion pairs as observed at 521 nm. The blue-shifted absorption
compared with those for the Cl\(^-\) and BF\(_4\)\(^-\) ion pairs can be explained by the distinct alternate stacking of Au\(_{16}\)\(^+\) and PCCp\(^-\), resulting in the monomer-state UV-vis absorption. These results showed that the ion pairs with Cl\(^-\) and BF\(_4\)\(^-\) form preferentially charge-segregated assemblies, whereas planar PCCp\(^-\) forms a charge-by-charge assembly.

**Extended \(\pi\)-Electronic Ion Pair**

The preparation protocol of ion pairs is also applicable to the formation of a variety of \(\pi\)-electronic ion pairs. Counteranions of \(\pi\)-electronic porphyrin–Au\(^{III}\) cations can be exchanged by the introduction of deprotonated species of extended \(\pi\)-electronic units with appropriate acid moieties such as hydroxy and carboxy units. The negative charge of the deprotonated species can be delocalized on the \(\pi\)-electronic unit for stabilization. Ni\(^{II}\) porphyrin NiOH, which has a hydroxy unit at one of the meso positions (Sasano et al., 2017; Stähler et al., 2017), was used as the precursor for the \(\pi\)-electronic anionic species NiO\(^-\) as the counteranion for the porphyrin–Au\(^{III}\) cation (Figure 10) (Stähler et al., 2017). The counteranion of NiO\(^-\) was exchanged using the following stepwise preparation protocol: (1) NiOH in CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\) was treated with an excess amount of aqueous NaOH to yield Na\(^+\)-NiO\(^-\) in a CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\) phase and (2) after washing with water to remove NaCl and subsequent recrystallization with EtOAc/n-hexane, 1 equiv. of Au\(^0\)-Cl\(^-\) was added to Na\(^+\)-NiO\(^-\) to form Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\). The \(\pi\)-electronic ion pair Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\) was obtained as a brown solid with 48% yield. The characterization of the ion pair and the determination of the 1:1 molar ratio of Au\(^0\) and NiO\(^-\) were conducted by \(^1\)H NMR and elemental analysis.

The ion-pairing formation of Au\(^0\) and NiO\(^-\) exhibited characteristic \(^1\)H NMR signal shifts based on the effects of (1) aromatic ring current (\(\pi\)-electrons) and (2) proximally located charges. The ion pair Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\) showed sharp \(^1\)H NMR signals at 8.78, 7.80, 7.76, and 7.59 ppm for Au\(^0\) and 7.92, 7.82, 6.85, and 5.54 ppm for NiO\(^-\) in CDCl\(_3\) (1.0 \(\times\) 10\(^{-3}\) M) at 20°C (Figure 11A [ii]); these values are shifted upfield compared with those of Au\(^0\)-Cl\(^-\) and TBA\(^+\)-NiO\(^-\) (Sasano et al., 2017), with signals at 9.29, 8.23, 7.92, and 7.87 ppm and 8.78, 7.91, 7.73, and 7.70 ppm, respectively (Figure 11A [i and iii]). The upfield-shifted signals of Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\) suggested the interaction of these cations and anions in the solution state ([1] the effect of aromatic ring current (\(\pi\)-electrons)). On the other hand, the signals of Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\) were broadened and shifted downfield when the concentrations were lowered to 1.0 \(\times\) 10\(^{-5}\) M due to the fast exchange between the ion pair and monomeric Au\(^0\) and NiO\(^-\). In addition, the signals of Au\(^0\) and NiO\(^-\) were shifted upfield and downfield, respectively, upon cooling from 50°C to –50°C in CDCl\(_3\) (1.0 \(\times\) 10\(^{-3}\) M). The results are representative of the shielding effect of electron-rich anionic NiO\(^-\) on Au\(^0\) and the deshielding effect of electron-poor cationic Au\(^0\) on NiO\(^-\) in the tightly bound ion pair ([2] the effect of proximally located charges).

The geometry-optimized structure of Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\), at B3LYP-GD3BJ level with the 6-31G(d,p) basis set for C, H, N, O, F, and Ni and LanL2DZ for Au (calculated starting from the crystal structure as described below), showed a stacking structure of oppositely charged porphyrin \(\pi\)-planes (Figures 11B and S59) (Frisch et al., 2013). The Ni–N distances in the optimized structure of Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\) were 1.964 (a), 1.963 (b), 1.962 (c), and 1.968 (d) Å (Figure 11B [ii]), and the mean-plane deviation of the 25-atom plane was 0.17 Å. According to this optimized stacking structure of Au\(^0\)-NiO\(^-\), the \(^1\)H NMR signals of NiO\(^-\) at 7.92 and 7.82 ppm can be assigned to H\(_x\) and those at 6.85 and 5.54 ppm can be assigned to H\(_y\) and H\(_z\), respectively, due to the shielding effect of current ring of Au\(^0\) (Figure 11A [ii]). These assignments were also supported by \(^1\)H–\(^1\)H COSY (correlation spectroscopy) and \(^1\)H–\(^13\)C HMBC (heteronuclear multiple bond coherence).
$^{1}$H–$^{1}$H COSY in CDCl$_3$ showed the correlation between signals at 6.85 and 5.54 ppm, suggesting that the corresponding protons were located at the vicinal positions. $^{1}$H–$^{13}$C HMBC in C$_6$D$_6$ (1.0 $\times$ 10$^{-3}$ M at 20°C) showed the correlation between the $^{1}$H NMR signals of 8.00 and 7.91 ppm (comparable to the $^{1}$HN MR signals at 7.92 and 7.82 ppm in CDCl$_3$) and the $^{13}$C NMR signal at 147.20 ppm, which can be assigned to the C$_6$F$_5$-attached 15-position carbon of NiO$^-$.

The Ni–N distances in NiO$^-$ of the optimized TBA$^+$-NiO$^-$ structure at the B3LYP-GD3BJ/6-31G(d,p) level, calculated starting from the crystal structure (Sasano et al., 2017), were 1.942, 1.941, 1.941, and 1.943 Å and the mean-plane deviation of the 25-atom plane was 0.41 Å. The longer Ni–N distance and planar structure of NiO$^-$ in Au$^+$-NiO$^-$ compared with those in TBA$^+$-NiO$^-$ may be attributed to the coordination of Au$^+$ as a π-ligand to NiO$^-$. These characteristic behaviors of π-electronic ion pairs in a solution state can be derived from the favorable interactions between π-electronic cations and anions. The ESP, calculated at B3LYP-GD3BJ/6-31+G(d,p) level with LanL2DZ for Au based on the optimized structure, revealed the delocalized negative and positive charges in NiO$^-$ and Au$^+$, respectively, effective for stacking (Figure S60). In addition, the UV-vis absorption spectrum in CH$_2$Cl$_2$ (4.6 $\times$ 10$^{-3}$ M) of Au$^+$-NiO$^-$, mainly existed as an ion pair, corresponding to the sum of the independent absorption bands of each π-electronic ion, suggesting that the electronic interaction between the π-electronic cations and anions is weak under these conditions; this is also supported by the independent electron spin densities for each π-electronic ion in the MO of the ion pair (Figure S62).

The solid-state ion-pairing assembly of Au$^+$-NiO$^-$ was revealed by the X-ray analysis of a single crystal prepared by vapor diffusion of EtOAc/n-octane (Figure 12A, S46, and S47). In the crystal, Au$^+$ and NiO$^-$ were alternately stacked in a charge-by-charge columnar assembly with (C–)O⋯Au distances of 3.03 and 3.55 Å, and the dihedral angles between the mean planes of Au$^+$ and NiO$^-$ (core 25 atoms) were 14.0° and 14.6° (Figures 12B, 12C [i], and S53). Considering the distances, the anionic oxygen of NiO$^-$ had no coordination to the Au$^{III}$ site with the proximal location by electrostatic interaction, as also supported by the O–Au–Au$^+$-plane angles of 71.5° and 55.9°. The parallel arrangement of NiO$^-$ units showed distances of 11.04 and 11.48 Å, whereas Au$^+$ units are not parallel and have a dihedral angle of 27.4°. In addition, the different metal ions, Au$^{3+}$ and Ni$^{2+}$, were arranged in a zigzag fashion with Au⋯Ni distances of 5.88 and 6.44 Å and Au–Ni–Au angles of 61.7° and 65.6°. The distances for the identical metal ions Au$^{3+}$ and Ni$^{2+}$ in the columnar direction are 6.02/6.98 and 12.84 Å, respectively; the value of 12.84 Å is consistent with the lattice parameter a. The spatial arrangement of heterometals (Figure 12C [ii]) was achieved by the formation of ion-pairing assemblies comprising extended π-electronic ions such as appropriately designed positively and negatively charged porphyrin–metal complexes.

Conclusions

Diverse ion pairs were prepared based on porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ complexes as stable π-electronic cations. Porphyrin–Au$^{III}$-based ion pairs formed charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assemblies in single
crystals, according to the geometry of the anionic species. Porphyrin–Au III-based ion pairs substituted with aliphatic chains afforded anion-dependent mesophases. In particular, the ion pairs with a $\pi$-electronic anion clearly afforded charge-by-charge-based meso phases, which existed at exceptionally wide temperature ranges, in contrast to the assemblies with relatively small anions. Furthermore, the ion pair with a negatively charged porphyrin–metal complex has the potential to be used in ion-pairing strategies for functional electronic materials. Ion-pairing assemblies comprising genuine $\pi$-electronic ions are stabilized by synergetic $\pi$–$\pi$ stacking and electrostatic interactions, showing that this methodology has a great advantage for the fabrication of a variety of nanostructured materials with fine-tuned electronic states. Further modifications at the peripheries of $\pi$-electronic systems such as porphyrins will enable the preparation of various fascinating $\pi$-electronic ion pairs and their associated functional ion-pairing assemblies and materials, exhibiting ferroelectric or electric conductive properties.

Figure 12. Single-Crystal X-Ray Structure of Au0+–NiO−
(A–C) (A) Representative packing mode as a top view, (B) top and side views of enlarged ion pairs with independent NiO−(i,ii), and (C) (i) space-filling packing model as a side view from the direction indicated by the arrow in (A) and (ii) that highlighting the arrangement of metal ions. Solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Atom color code in (A) and (B): brown, pink, light blue, light green, gray, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, fluorine, nickel, and gold, respectively. Color code in (C) (i): cyan and magenta represent cations and anions, respectively. Color code in (C) (ii): green and yellow refer to nickel and gold, respectively.

METHODS
All methods can be found in the accompanying Transparent Methods supplemental file.

Limitation of the Study
In our study, a variety of $\pi$-electronic ion pairs comprising porphyrin–Au III complexes and their assemblies were prepared as crystals, supramolecular gels, and liquid crystals. Ion-pairing assemblies based on $\pi$-electronic ions exhibited organized states with the contributions of charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assemblies, depending on the geometries and electronic states of the counteranions. However, at present, the complete control of the formation of charge-by-charge and charge-segregated assemblies have not been fully investigated particularly focusing on the appropriate combination of constituent ions. More systematic and detailed investigations on the relationships between the ion-pairing
combination and their assembling modes are required for the further development of fascinating ferroelectric materials and electric conductive materials.

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Supplemental Information

Liquid Crystals Comprising $\pi$-Electronic Ions

from Porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ Complexes

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1. Transparent Methods

1-1. Synthetic procedures and spectroscopic data

Figure S1 Synthesis and preparations of ion pairs comprising AuIII complexes of meso-aryl-substituted porphyrins with various anions, Related to Figure 2.

General Procedures. Starting materials were purchased from FUJIFILM Wako Pure Chemical Corp., Nacalai Tesque Inc., and Sigma-Aldrich Co. and used without further purification unless otherwise stated. 2H8 (Maruyama et al., 2010), 2H12 (Maruyama et al., 2010; Nowak-Król et al., 2010), and Au0+-Cl– (Che et al., 2003) were prepared according to the published procedures. NMR spectra used in the characterization of products were recorded on a JEOL ECA-600 600 MHz spectrometer and a Bruker AVANCE III 600 MHz spectrometer, with the help of Dr. Ryohei Yamakado, Yamagata University, and Dr. Ryosuke Miyake, Ochanomizu University. 1H and 13C NMR spectra were referenced to solvent and 19F NMR spectra were referenced to C6F6. UV-visible absorption spectra were recorded on a Hitachi U-3500 spectrometer. Matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization time-of-flight mass spectrometries (MALDI-TOF-MS) were recorded on a Shimadzu Axima-CFRplus with TCNQ matrix. Elemental analyses were performed on a Yanaco CHN Corders (MT-3, MT-5, and MT-6) and JSL JM-10 for carbon, hydrogen, and nitrogen and on Mitsubishi Chemical Analytech AQF-100 and Dionex ICS-1500 instruments for fluorine and chlorine, at the Laboratory for Organic Elemental Microanalysis, Kyoto University. TLC analyses were carried out on aluminum sheets coated with silica gel 60 (Merck 5554). Column chromatography was performed on Sumitomo aluma KGC-1525 and Wakogel C-300.

5,10,15,20-Tetrakis(3,4,5-trihexadecyloxyphenyl)porphyrin, 2H16. According to the literature procedures (Nowak-Król et al., 2010), a solution of pyrrole (260 mg, 3.88 mmol) and 3,4,5-trihexadecyloxybenzaldehyde (Nowak-Król et al., 2010) (2.50 g, 3.02 mmol) in CH2Cl2 (300 mL) was stirred under N2 with shielding from light. Trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) (0.37 mL, 4.80 mmol) and BF3·OEt2 (11.4 µL, 90.6 µmol) was added, and the solution was stirred for 2.5 h at r.t. 2,3-Dichloro-5,6-dicyano-1,4-benzoquinone (DDQ) (530 mg, 2.33 mmol) was added to the solution, and the resulting solution was stirred for an additional 2 h. After the reaction mixture was neutralized by triethylamine, concentrated under reduced pressure, and passed over an alumina column, the solvent was removed. The residue was then chromatographed over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 50% CH2Cl2/n-hexane) and recrystallized from CH2Cl2/MeOH to give 2H16 (790 mg, 0.23 mmol, 30%) as a purple solid. Rf = 0.45 (50% CH2Cl2/n-hexane). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 8.94 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.41 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.29 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH2), 4.07 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH2), 1.97 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 16H, OCH2CH2), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)2CH2), 1.51–1.21 (m, 304H, O(CH2)2CH2 + O(CH2)3(CH2)12), 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH2)15CH3), 0.86 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH2)15CH2), –2.81 (s, 2H, NH). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 151.36, 138.11, 137.25, 120.34, 114.44, 73.92, 71.02, 69.52, 32.09, 32.05, 30.00, 30.00, 30.01, 29.94, 29.85, 29.80, 29.70, 29.64, 29.55, 29.50, 26.50, 26.33, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.25 (some of the signals for aryl units and hexadecyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH3CN, λmax[nm] (ε, 105 M–1cm–1)): 426 (5.2), 519 (2.3), 555 (1.1), 594 (0.70), 649 (0.55). MALDI-TOF-MS: m/z (% intensity): 3499.2 (100). Calcd for C236H414N4O12 ([M]+): 3499.20.
5,10,15,20-Tetrakis(3,4,5-tricosyloxypheny)porphyrin, 2H20. According to the literature procedures (Nowak-Król et al., 2010), a solution of pyrrole (270 mg, 4.02 mmol) and 3,4,5-tricosyloxybenzaldehyde (Nowak-Król et al., 2010) (3.15 g, 3.16 mmol) in CH2Cl2 (320 mL) was stirred under N2 with shielding from light. TFA (0.39 mL, 5.0 mmol) and BF3·OEt2 (12.0 µL, 94.9 µmol) was added, and the solution was stirred for 2.5 h at r.t. DDQ (550 mg, 2.42 mmol) was added to the solution, and the resulting solution was stirred for an additional 2 h. After the reaction mixture was neutralized by triethylamine, concentrated under reduced pressure, and passed over an alumina column, the solvent was removed. The residue was then chromatographed over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 50% CHCl3/n-hexane) and recrystallized from CH2Cl2/MeOH to give 2H20 (820 mg, 0.20 mmol, 25%) as a purple solid. Rf = 0.73 (50% CH2Cl2/n-hexane). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 8.94 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.41 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.29 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH2), 4.07 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH2), 1.97 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 16H, OCH2CH2), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)2CH2), 1.51–1.21 (m, 400H, O(CH2)2CH2 + O(CH2)3(CH2)4), 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH2)3CH3), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH2)3CH3), –2.81 (s, 2H, NH). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 151.36, 138.09, 137.25, 120.33, 114.43, 73.91, 69.51, 32.09, 30.79, 30.05, 30.02, 29.98, 29.93, 29.88, 29.86, 29.81, 29.70, 29.64, 29.51, 26.50, 26.34, 22.84, 22.78, 14.31, 14.21 (some of the signals for aryl units and icosyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH2Cl2, λmax[nm] (ε, 105 M–1cm–1)): 426 (4.6), 519 (2.0), 556 (0.93), 593 (0.60), 648 (0.45). MALDI-TOF-MS: m/z (% intensity): 4172.9 (100). Calcd for C284H510N4O12 ([M]+): 4172.95.

AuIII complex of 2H8 as a Cl– salt, Au8+-Cl–. A solution of KAuCl4 (190 mg, 0.50 mmol) and NaOAc (206 mg, 2.52 mmol) in acetic acid (19 mL) were heated at 80 °C for 15 min. A solution of 2H8 (867 mg, 0.40 mmol) in (CH2Cl)2 (9.9 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. Upon removal of solvent by vacuum, the residue was dissolved in CH2Cl2. The CH2Cl2 solution was washed with water and brine and evaporated to dryness. The residue was then chromatographed over ion-exchanged resin (Amberlite IRA402BL, eluent: CH2Cl2) and a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH2Cl2) and recrystallized from CH2Cl2/MeOH to give Au8+-Cl– (100 mg, 0.042 mmol, 10.5%) as a red solid. Rf = 0.27 (5% MeOH/CH2Cl2). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.34 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.31 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH2), 4.07 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH2), 1.97 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 16H, OCH2CH2), 1.86 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)2CH2), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)3CH2), 1.51–1.21 (m, 400H, O(CH2)3CH2 + O(CH2)4CH2), 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH2)3CH3), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH2)3CH3), –2.81 (s, 2H, NH). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 152.07, 139.04, 137.15, 133.66, 132.22, 123.72, 114.43, 73.91, 69.51, 32.09, 30.79, 30.50, 30.02, 29.98, 29.93, 29.88, 29.86, 29.81, 29.70, 29.64, 29.51, 26.50, 26.34, 22.84, 22.78, 14.31, 14.21 (some of the signals for octyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH2Cl2, λmax[nm] (ε, 104 M–1cm–1)): 429 (1.3), 530
MALDI-TOF-MS: \( m/z \) (% intensity): 2347.5 (100). Calcd for \( \text{C}_{140}\text{H}_{220}\text{AuN}_{4}\text{O}_{12} \) ([M – Cl]+): 2347.64. Elemental analysis: C 69.20, H 9.39, Cl 1.45, N 2.05. Calcd (%) for \( \text{C}_{140}\text{H}_{220}\text{AuClN}_{4}\text{O}_{12} \cdot 2\text{H}_{2}\text{O} \): C 69.49, H 9.33, Au 8.14, Cl 1.47, N 2.32, O 9.26.

AuIII complex of \( \text{2H}_{12} \) as a Cl– salt, \( \text{Au}^{12+}\text{Cl}– \). A solution of \( \text{KAuCl}_4 \) (150 mg, 0.41 mmol) and \( \text{NaOAc} \) (170 mg, 2.04 mmol) in acetic acid (16 mL) were heated at 80 °C for 15 min. A solution of \( \text{2H}_{12} \) (920 mg, 0.33 mmol) in \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \) (16 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. Upon removal of solvent by vacuum, the residue was dissolved in \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \). The \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \) solution was washed with water and brine and evaporated to dryness. The residue was then chromatographed over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/\( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \)) and recrystallized from \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH} \) to give \( \text{Au}^{12+}\text{Cl}– \) (320 mg, 0.10 mmol, 32%) as a red solid. \( R_f = 0.16 \) (5% MeOH/\( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \)). \( ^1\text{H} \) NMR (600 MHz, \( \text{CDCl}_3 \), 20 °C): \( \delta \) (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, \( \beta\)-H), 7.43 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.31 (t, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 8\text{H, OCH}_2 \)), 4.07 (t, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 16\text{H, OCH}_2 \)), 1.97 (quin, \( J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}, 8\text{H, O(CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2 \)), 1.86 (quin, \( J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}, 16\text{H, O(CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2 \)), \( \gamma \) (quin, \( J = 7.8 \text{ Hz}, 8\text{H, O(CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2 \)), 1.51–1.22 (m, \( 208\text{H, O(CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2+\text{O(CH}_2)_3\text{(CH}_2)_8 \)), 0.90 (t, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 12\text{H, O(CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2 \)), 0.84 (t, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 24\text{H, O(CH}_2)_5\text{CH}_2 \)). \( ^{13}\text{C} \) NMR (151 MHz, \( \text{CDCl}_3 \), 20 °C): \( \delta \) (ppm) 152.13, 139.11, 137.21, 133.74, 132.25, 123.76, 114.11, 74.05, 69.78, 32.16, 32.08, 30.80, 30.06, 29.94, 29.87, 29.81, 29.64, 29.62, 29.52, 26.50, 26.35, 22.91, 22.84, 14.32, 14.27 (some of the signals for dodecyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (\( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \), \( \lambda_{\text{max}} \) [nm] (\( \epsilon \), 105 M–1cm–1)): 429 (1.2), 530 (0.22). MALDI-TOF-MS: \( m/z \) (% intensity): 3021.4 (100). Calcd for \( \text{C}_{188}\text{H}_{316}\text{AuN}_{4}\text{O}_{12} \) ([M – Cl]+): 3021.40. Elemental analysis: C 73.85, H 10.66, Cl 1.15, N 1.76. Calcd (%) for \( \text{C}_{188}\text{H}_{316}\text{AuClN}_{4}\text{O}_{12} \): C 73.86, H 10.42, Au 6.44, Cl 1.16, N 1.83, O 6.28.

AuIII complex of \( \text{2H}_{16} \) as a Cl– salt, \( \text{Au}^{16+}\text{Cl}– \). A solution of \( \text{KAuCl}_4 \) (54.0 mg, 0.14 mmol) and \( \text{NaOAc} \) (58.6 mg, 0.71 mmol) in acetic acid (5.6 mL) were heated at 80 °C for 15 min. A solution of \( \text{2H}_{16} \) (400 mg, 0.11 mmol) in \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \) (5.6 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. Upon removal of solvent by vacuum, the residue was dissolved in \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \). The \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \) solution was washed with water and brine and evaporated to dryness. The residue was then chromatographed over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/\( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \)) and recrystallized from \( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2/\text{MeOH} \) to give \( \text{Au}^{16+}\text{Cl}– \) (120 mg, 0.031 mmol, 27%) as a red solid. \( R_f = 0.18 \) (5% MeOH/\( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \)). \( ^1\text{H} \) NMR (600 MHz, \( \text{CDCl}_3 \), 20 °C): \( \delta \) (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, \( \beta\)-H), 7.43 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 8\text{H, OCH}_2 \)), 4.07 (t, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 16\text{H, OCH}_2 \)), 1.97 (quin, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 8\text{H, O(CH}_2)_2\text{CH}_2 \)), 1.86 (quin, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 12\text{H, O(CH}_2)_3\text{CH}_2 \)), \( \gamma \) (quin, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 8\text{H, O(CH}_2)_3\text{(CH}_2)_8 \)), 1.51–1.22 (m, \( 304\text{H, O(CH}_2)_3\text{(CH}_2)_12 \)), 0.88 (t, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz}, 12\text{H, O(CH}_2)_15\text{CH}_2 \)), 0.86 (t, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz}, 24\text{H, O(CH}_2)_15\text{CH}_2 \)). \( ^{13}\text{C} \) NMR (151 MHz, \( \text{CDCl}_3 \), 20 °C): \( \delta \) (ppm) 152.10, 139.10, 137.18, 133.74, 132.21, 114.12, 74.02, 69.78, 32.10, 32.06, 30.79, 30.04, 30.01, 29.97, 29.95, 29.81, 29.86, 29.80, 29.66, 29.56, 29.50, 26.48, 26.33, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.25 (some of the signals for hexadecyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (\( \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \), \( \lambda_{\text{max}} \) [nm] (\( \epsilon \), 105 M–1cm–1)): 429 (1.2), 530 (0.22).
AuIII complex of 2H2O as a Cl– salt, Au20+-Cl–. A solution of KAuCl₄ (56.7 mg, 0.15 mmol) and NaOAc (61.4 mg, 0.75 mmol) in acetic acid (5.8 mL) were heated at 80 °C for 15 min. A solution of 2H2O (500 mg, 0.12 mmol) in (CH₂Cl)₂ (6 mL) was added dropwise. The mixture was heated under reflux for 2 h. Upon removal of solvent by vacuum, the residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂. The CH₂Cl₂ solution was washed with water and brine and evaporated to dryness. The residue was then chromatographed over ion-exchanged resin (Amberlite IRA402BL, eluent: CH₂Cl₂) and a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/MeOH to give Au20+-Cl– (150 mg, 0.034 mmol, 29%) as a red solid. Rf = 0.21 (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.43 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH₂), 4.07 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH₂), 1.97 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.86 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 16H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂), 1.51–1.21 (m, 400H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂ + O(CH₂)₃(CH₂)₂), 0.88 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 12H, O(CH₂)₃CH₃), 0.86 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH₂)₃CH₃), 1.33 C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 152.06, 139.04, 137.16, 133.73, 132.18, 123.67, 114.06, 73.99, 69.73, 32.07, 32.05, 30.76, 30.03, 30.00, 29.97, 29.95, 29.93, 29.91, 29.88, 29.84, 29.81, 29.79, 29.62, 29.52, 29.50, 26.46, 26.32, 22.83, 22.81, 14.24 (some of the signals for icosyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH₂Cl₂, λmax[nm] (ε, 10⁵ M⁻¹cm⁻¹)): 429 (0.85), 530 (0.16). MALDI-TOF-MS: m/z (% intensity): 4367.90. Elemental analysis: C 76.69, H 11.86, Cl 0.79, N 1.13. Calcd (%) for C₂₈₄H₅₀₈AuN₄O₁₂·1.5H₂O: C 77.03, H 11.63, Au 4.45, Cl 0.80, N 1.26, O 4.87.

General preparation protocol for anion exchanges from Cl– to other anions. A solution of Ag⁺ or Na⁺ salt of anions (3 equiv) in CH₃CN was added to a solution of Cl– salts of porphyrin–AuIII complexes in CH₃CN or CH₃CN/CH₂Cl₂ and stirred for a few minutes. The resulting precipitates were collected and washed with CH₃CN and water. After confirming that no precipitate formed, the products were filtered and the solvent was evaporated. The residue was then chromatographed over a silica gel column and recrystallized from suitable solvents afforded ion pairs as solid materials. The obtained ion pairs were characterized by ¹H, ¹³C, and ¹⁹F NMR and elemental analysis. The details for each ion pair are described as below.

AuIII complex of 2H0 as a BF₄⁻ salt, Au0+-BF₄⁻. AgBF₄ was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/n-hexane to give Au0+-BF₄⁻ (22.3 mg, 0.025 mmol, 70%) as a red solid. Rf = 0.29 (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂). ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.28 (s, 8H, β-H), 8.26–
8.25 (m, 8H, Ph), 7.92–7.84 (m, 12H, Ph).  \(^{13}\)C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm) 138.81, 137.14, 134.39, 132.39, 129.57, 127.85, 123.75.  \(^{19}\)F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm) –159.21 (s, \(^{19}\)BF\(_4^–\)), –159.26 (s, \(^{19}\)BF\(_4^–\)).  UV/vis (CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\), \(\lambda_{\text{max}}\) [nm] (\(e\), 10\(^5\) M\(^{–1}\) cm\(^{–1}\lol): 409 (3.9), 521 (1.8).  Elemental analysis: C 57.24, H 3.22, N 6.04.  Calcd (%) for C\(_{44}\)H\(_{28}\)AuBF\(_4\)N\(_4\)·0.4CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\): C 57.31, H 3.12, Au 21.17, B 1.16, Cl 3.05, F 8.17, N 6.02.  This compound was further characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

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\text{Au}^{111} \text{ complex of 2H8 as a BF}_4^- \text{ salt, Au}^{8+}\text{·BF}_4^-.
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AgBF\(_4\) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\)) and recrystallized from CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\)/MeOH to give Au\(^{8+}\)·BF\(_4^-\) (68.0 mg, 0.028 mmol, 67%) as a red solid.  \(R_t = 0.23\) (5% MeOH/CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\)).  \(^1\)H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, \(\beta\)-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.31 (t, \(J = 6.6\) Hz, 8H, OCH\(_2\)), 4.08 (t, \(J = 6.6\) Hz, 16H, OCH\(_2\)), 1.97 (quin, \(J = 7.8\) Hz, 8H, OCH\(_2\)CH\(_2\)), 1.86 (quin, \(J = 7.2\) Hz, 16H, OCH\(_2\)CH\(_2\)), 1.67 (quin, \(J = 7.8\) Hz, 8H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_2\)CH\(_2\)), 1.49–1.22 (m, 112H, OCH\(_2\)CH\(_2\) + O(CH\(_2\))\(_3\)(CH\(_2\))\(_4\)), 0.94 (t, \(J = 7.2\) Hz, 12H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_7\)CH\(_3\)), 0.84 (t, \(J = 7.2\) Hz, 24H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_7\)CH\(_3\)).  \(^{13}\)C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm) 152.04, 139.00, 137.19, 133.80, 132.13, 123.59, 114.07, 73.98, 69.69, 32.14, 31.94, 30.73, 29.82, 29.64, 29.60, 29.54, 29.41, 26.43, 26.27, 22.92, 22.79, 14.31, 14.24 (some of the signals for octyl chains were overlapped).  \(^{19}\)F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm) –159.65 (s, 10BF\(_4^-\)), –159.70 (s, 11BF\(_4^-\)).  UV/vis (CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\), \(\lambda_{\text{max}}\) [nm] (\(e\), 10\(^5\) M\(^{–1}\) cm\(^{–1}\)): 429 (1.2), 529 (0.22).  Elemental analysis: C 68.92, H 9.29, N 2.28.  Calcd (%) for C\(_{140}\)H\(_{220}\)AuBF\(_4\)N\(_4\)O\(_{12}\): C 69.05, H 9.11, Au 8.09, B 0.44, F 3.12, N 2.30, O 7.89.

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\text{Au}^{111} \text{ complex of 2H12 as a BF}_4^- \text{ salt, Au}^{12+}\text{·BF}_4^-.
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AgBF\(_4\) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\)) and recrystallized from CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\)/MeOH to give Au\(^{12+}\)·BF\(_4^-\) (37.9 mg, 0.012 mmol, 75%) as a red solid.  \(R_t = 0.32\) (5% MeOH/CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\)).  \(^1\)H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm): 9.32 (s, 8H, \(\beta\)-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, \(J = 6.6\) Hz, 8H, OCH\(_2\)), 4.08 (t, \(J = 6.6\) Hz, 16H, OCH\(_2\)), 1.97 (quin, \(J = 7.2\) Hz, 8H, OCH\(_2\)CH\(_2\)), 1.86 (quin, \(J = 6.6\) Hz, 16H, OCH\(_2\)CH\(_2\)), 1.67 (quin, \(J = 7.2\) Hz, 8H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_2\)CH\(_2\)), 1.51–1.21 (m, 208H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_2\)CH\(_2\) + O(CH\(_2\))\(_3\)(CH\(_2\))\(_8\)), 0.90 (t, \(J = 6.6\) Hz, 12H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_7\)CH\(_3\)), 0.84 (t, \(J = 7.2\) Hz, 24H, O(CH\(_2\))\(_7\)CH\(_3\)).  \(^{13}\)C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm) 152.06, 139.03, 137.21, 133.82, 132.14, 123.60, 114.09, 74.00, 69.73, 32.14, 31.94, 30.73, 29.82, 29.64, 29.60, 29.54, 29.41, 26.43, 26.27, 22.92, 22.79, 14.31, 14.24 (some of the signals for dodecyl chains were overlapped).  \(^{19}\)F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl\(_3\), 20 °C): \(\delta\) (ppm) –159.65 (s, \(^{19}\)BF\(_4^-\)), –159.70 (s, \(^{19}\)BF\(_4^-\)).  UV/vis (CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\), \(\lambda_{\text{max}}\) [nm] (\(e\), \(10^5\) M\(^{–1}\) cm\(^{–1}\))): 429 (1.2), 529 (0.22).  Elemental analysis: C 72.72, H 10.48, N 1.86.  Calcd (%) for C\(_{188}\)H\(_{316}\)AuBF\(_4\)N\(_4\)O\(_{12}\): C 72.64, H 10.25, Au 6.34, B 0.35, F 2.44, N 1.80, O 6.18.
Au\textsuperscript{III} complex of 2H\textsubscript{16} as a BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−} salt, Au\textsubscript{16}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−}.  
AgBF\textsubscript{4} was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}) and recrystallized from CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}/MeOH to give Au\textsubscript{16}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−} (43.0 mg, 0.012 mmol, 87%) as a red solid.  
$R_f$ = 0.33 (5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}).  
\textsuperscript{1}H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): $\delta$(ppm): 9.32 (s, 8H, $\beta$-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, $J$ = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH\textsubscript{2}), 4.08 (t, $J$ = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH\textsubscript{2}), 1.97 (quin, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 8H, OCH\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2}), 1.86 (quin, $J$ = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2}), 1.67 (quin, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 8H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2}), 1.51–1.21 (m, 304H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2} + O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{3}(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{12}), 0.88 (t, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{16}CH\textsubscript{3}), 0.86 (t, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{16}CH\textsubscript{3}).  
\textsuperscript{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): $\delta$(ppm) 152.06, 139.03, 137.21, 133.83, 132.13, 123.60, 114.10, 74.00, 69.73, 32.10, 32.06, 30.78, 30.05, 30.01, 29.96, 29.91, 29.86, 29.80, 29.65, 29.55, 29.50, 26.48, 26.33, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.25 (some of the signals for hexadecyl chains were overlapped).  
\textsuperscript{19}F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): $\delta$(ppm) –159.55 (s, 10BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−}), –159.61 (s, 11BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−}).  
UV/vis (CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}, $\lambda_{max}$[nm] ($\epsilon$, 10\textsuperscript{5} M\textsuperscript{−1}cm\textsuperscript{−1})): 429 (1.1), 529 (0.20).  
Elemental analysis: C 74.96, H 11.16, N 1.41.  
Calcd (%) for C\textsubscript{236}H\textsubscript{412}AuBF\textsubscript{4}N\textsubscript{4}O\textsubscript{12}: C 74.96, H 10.98, Au 5.21, B 0.29, F 2.01, N 1.48, O 5.08.

Au\textsuperscript{III} complex of 2H\textsubscript{20} as a BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−} salt, Au\textsubscript{20}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−}.  
AgBF\textsubscript{4} was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}) and recrystallized from CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}/MeOH to give Au\textsubscript{20}\textsuperscript{+}-BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−} (24.5 mg, 0.0055 mmol, 61%) as a red solid.  
$R_f$ = 0.30 (5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}).  
\textsuperscript{1}H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): $\delta$(ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, $\beta$-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, $J$ = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH\textsubscript{2}), 4.08 (t, $J$ = 6.0 Hz, 16H, OCH\textsubscript{2}), 1.97 (quin, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 8H, OCH\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2}), 1.85 (quin, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 16H, OCH\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2}), 1.67 (quin, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 8H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2}), 1.51–1.21 (m, 400H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{2}CH\textsubscript{2} + O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{3}(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{16}), 0.87 (t, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{16}CH\textsubscript{3}), 0.86 (t, $J$ = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{16}CH\textsubscript{3}).  
\textsuperscript{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): $\delta$(ppm) 152.04, 138.99, 137.20, 133.82, 132.10, 123.59, 114.06, 73.98, 69.71, 32.08, 30.79, 30.06, 30.03, 29.98, 29.93, 29.87, 29.82, 29.66, 29.52, 26.48, 26.34, 22.85, 14.27 (some of the signals for icosyl chains were overlapped).  
\textsuperscript{19}F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): $\delta$(ppm) –159.58 (s, 10BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−}), –159.63 (s, 11BF\textsubscript{4}\textsuperscript{−}).  
UV/vis (CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}, $\lambda_{max}$[nm] ($\epsilon$, 10\textsuperscript{5} M\textsuperscript{−1}cm\textsuperscript{−1})): 429 (1.3), 530 (0.25).  
Elemental analysis: C 76.78, H 11.30, N 1.31.  
Calcd (%) for C\textsubscript{284}H\textsubscript{508}AuBF\textsubscript{4}N\textsubscript{4}O\textsubscript{12}: C 76.57, H 11.49, Au 4.42, B 0.24, F 1.71, N 1.26, O 4.31.
Au\textsuperscript{III} complex of 2H0 as a PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{−} salt, Au\textsuperscript{0+}-PF\textsubscript{6}−. AgPF\textsubscript{6} was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}) and recrystallized from CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}/n-hexane to give Au\textsuperscript{0+}-PF\textsubscript{6}− (17.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 55%) as a red solid. \( R_f = 0.42 \) (5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}). \( ^1\text{H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm): 9.27 (s, 8H, \beta-H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 8H, Ph), 7.92–7.84 (m, 12H, Ph). \) \( ^{13}\text{C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm) 138.70, 137.10, 134.33, 132.43, 129.58, 127.87, 123.72. \) \( ^{19}\text{F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm) –79.17 (d, \( J = 712 \text{ Hz, } 6\text{F, PF}_6\text{−} \). UV/vis (CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}, \( \lambda_{\text{max}}[\text{nm} (ε, 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}))): 409 (4.0), 521 (0.19). \) Elemental analysis: C 54.61, H 2.83, F 11.72, N 5.79. Calcld (%) for C\textsubscript{44}H\textsubscript{28}AuF\textsubscript{6}N\textsubscript{4}P·0.2CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}: C 54.64, H 2.95, Au 20.27, Cl 1.46, F 11.73, N 5.77, P 3.19. This compound was further characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

Au\textsuperscript{III} complex of 2H8 as a PF\textsubscript{6}− salt, Au\textsuperscript{8+}-PF\textsubscript{6}−. AgPF\textsubscript{6} was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}) and recrystallized from CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}/MeOH to give Au\textsuperscript{8+}-PF\textsubscript{6}− (81.0 mg, 0.033 mmol, 78%) as a red solid. \( R_f = 0.33 \) (5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}). \( ^1\text{H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, \beta-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.09 (t, \( J = 6.6 \text{ Hz, } 8\text{H, OCH}_2\text{)}, 1.97 (quin, \( J = 7.8 \text{ Hz, } 8\text{H, O(CH}_2\text{)}_2\text{)}, 1.86 (quin, \( J = 7.8 \text{ Hz, } 16\text{H, OCH}_2\text{)}, 1.67 (quin, \( J = 7.8 \text{ Hz, } 8\text{H, O(CH}_2\text{)}_2\text{)}, 1.49–1.20 (m, 112H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\text{}_2\text{CH}_2\text{)+ O(CH}_2\text{)}_3\text{CH}_2\)}, 0.94 (t, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz, } 24\text{H, O(CH}_2\text{)}_2\text{)}, 0.84 (t, \( J = 7.2 \text{ Hz, } 12\text{H, O(CH}_2\text{)}_2\text{)}, \text{ and the signals for octyl chains were overlapped.} \) \( ^{13}\text{C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm) 152.05, 139.01, 137.21, 133.74, 132.18, 123.62, 114.05, 73.98, 69.69, 32.14, 31.94, 30.73, 29.82, 29.65, 29.60, 29.41, 26.43, 26.27, 22.92, 22.79, 14.32, 14.22. \) Elemental analysis: C 67.52, H 9.11, F 4.53, N 2.15. Calcld (%) for C\textsubscript{140}H\textsubscript{220}AuF\textsubscript{6}N\textsubscript{4}O\textsubscript{12}P: C 67.44, H 8.89, Au 7.90, F 4.57, N 2.25, O 7.70, P 1.24.

Au\textsuperscript{III} complex of 2H12 as a PF\textsubscript{6}− salt, Au\textsuperscript{12+}-PF\textsubscript{6}−. AgPF\textsubscript{6} was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}) and recrystallized from CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}/n-hexane to give Au\textsuperscript{12+}-PF\textsubscript{6}− (17.4 mg, 0.020 mmol, 55%) as a red solid. \( R_f = 0.42 \) (5% MeOH/CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}). \( ^1\text{H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm): 9.27 (s, 8H, \beta-H), 8.26–8.24 (m, 8H, Ph), 7.92–7.84 (m, 12H, Ph). \) \( ^{13}\text{C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm) 138.70, 137.10, 134.33, 132.43, 129.58, 127.87, 123.72. \) \( ^{19}\text{F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl}_3, 20 °C): \delta (ppm) –79.17 (d, \( J = 712 \text{ Hz, } 6\text{F, PF}_6\text{−} \). UV/vis (CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}, \( \lambda_{\text{max}}[\text{nm} (ε, 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1}))): 409 (4.0), 521 (0.19). \) Elemental analysis: C 54.61, H 2.83, F 11.72, N 5.79. Calcld (%) for C\textsubscript{44}H\textsubscript{28}AuF\textsubscript{6}N\textsubscript{4}O\textsubscript{12}P·0.2CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}: C 54.64, H 2.95, Au 20.27, Cl 1.46, F 11.73, N 5.77, P 3.19. This compound was further characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.
MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/MeOH to give Au₁₂⁺-PF₆⁻ (34.0 mg, 0.011 mmol, 66%) as a red solid. $R_f = 0.49$ (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂). $^1$H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, $\beta$-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 8H, OCH₂), 4.09 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 16H, OCH₂), 1.97 (quin, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 8H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.86 (quin, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 16H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.67 (quin, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 8H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂), 1.53–1.21 (m, 208H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂ + O(CH₂)₃(CH₂)₈), 0.90 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 12H, O(CH₂)₁₁CH₃), 0.85 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 24H, O(CH₂)₁₂CH₂). $^{13}$C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm) 152.06, 139.02, 137.21, 133.75, 132.18, 123.62, 114.03, 73.98, 69.70, 32.10, 32.07, 30.78, 30.05, 30.01, 29.98, 29.95, 29.89, 29.85, 29.80, 29.65, 29.55, 29.50, 26.48, 26.32, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.26 (some of the signals for dodecyl chains were overlapped). $^{19}$F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm) –79.17 (d, $J = 712$ Hz, 6F, PF₆⁻). UV/vis (CH₂Cl₂, $\lambda_{max}$ nm ($\epsilon$, 10⁵ M⁻¹cm⁻¹)): 429 (1.3), 530 (0.24). Elemental analysis: C 71.48, H 10.23, F 3.54, N 1.72. Calcd (%) for C₁₈₈H₃₁₆AuF₆N₄O₁₂P: C 71.31, H 10.06, Au 6.22, F 3.60, N 1.77, O 6.06, P 0.98.

Au³⁺ complex of 2H₁₆ as a PF₆⁻ salt, Au₁₆⁺-PF₆⁻. AgPF₆ was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/MeOH to give Au₁₆⁺-PF₆⁻ (42.4 mg, 0.011 mmol, 82%) as a red solid. $R_f = 0.49$ (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂). $^1$H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, $\beta$-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 8H, OCH₂), 4.08 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 16H, OCH₂), 1.97 (quin, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 8H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.86 (quin, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 16H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.67 (quin, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 8H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂), 1.53–1.21 (m, 304H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂ + O(CH₂)₃(CH₂)₁₂), 0.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 24H, O(CH₂)₁₂CH₂), 0.85 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 24H, O(CH₂)₁₂CH₂). $^{13}$C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm) 152.05, 139.00, 137.21, 133.75, 132.18, 123.62, 114.03, 73.98, 69.70, 32.10, 32.07, 30.78, 30.05, 30.01, 29.98, 29.95, 29.89, 29.85, 29.80, 29.65, 29.55, 29.50, 26.48, 26.32, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.26 (some of the signals for hexadecyl chains were overlapped). $^{19}$F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm) –79.20 (d, $J = 714$ Hz, 6F, PF₆⁻). UV/vis (CH₂Cl₂, $\lambda_{max}$ nm ($\epsilon$, 10⁵ M⁻¹cm⁻¹)): 429 (1.3), 530 (0.24). Elemental analysis: C 73.71, H 10.60, F 3.10, N 1.41. Calcd (%) for C₂₃₆H₄₁₂AuF₆N₄O₁₂P: C 73.82, H 10.82, Au 5.13, F 2.97, N 1.46, O 5.00, P 0.81.

Au⁴⁺ complex of 2H₂₀ as a PF₆⁻ salt, Au₂₀⁺-PF₆⁻. AgPF₆ was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂) and recrystallized from CH₂Cl₂/MeOH to give Au₂₀⁺-PF₆⁻ (27.9 mg, 0.0062 mmol, 68%) as a red solid. $R_f = 0.49$ (5% MeOH/CH₂Cl₂). $^1$H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm): 9.33 (s, 8H, $\beta$-H), 7.44 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.30 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 8H, OCH₂), 4.08 (t, $J = 6.6$ Hz, 16H, OCH₂), 1.97 (quin, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 8H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.86 (quin, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 16H, OCH₂CH₂), 1.67 (quin, $J = 7.8$ Hz, 8H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂), 1.51–1.21 (m, 400H, O(CH₂)₂CH₂ + O(CH₂)₃(CH₂)₁₆), 0.87 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 24H, O(CH₂)₁₂CH₂), 0.85 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 24H, O(CH₂)₁₂CH₂). $^{13}$C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm) 152.06, 139.02, 137.21, 133.75, 132.18, 123.62, 114.03, 73.98, 69.70, 32.10, 32.07, 30.78, 30.05, 30.01, 29.98, 29.95, 29.93, 29.89, 29.85, 29.80, 29.65, 29.55, 29.50, 26.48, 26.32, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.26 (some of the signals for hexadecyl chains were overlapped). $^{19}$F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl₃, 20 °C): $\delta$ (ppm) –79.20 (d, $J = 714$ Hz, 6F, PF₆⁻). UV/vis (CH₂Cl₂, $\lambda_{max}$ nm ($\epsilon$, 10⁵ M⁻¹cm⁻¹)): 429 (1.3), 530 (0.24). Elemental analysis: C 73.71, H 10.60, F 3.10, N 1.41. Calcd (%) for C₂₅₆H₃₃₂AuF₆N₄O₁₂P: C 73.82, H 10.82, Au 5.13, F 2.97, N 1.46, O 5.00, P 0.81.
Au$^{III}$ complex of 2H0 as a PCCp$^-$ salt, Au$^{0+}$-PCCp$^-$. Sodium pentacyanocyclopentadienide (NaPCCp) (Sakai et al., 2013) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH$_2$Cl$_2$) and recrystallized from CH$_2$Cl$_2$/n-hexane to give Au$^{0+}$-PCCp$^-$ (29.2 mg, 0.029 mmol, 82%) as a red solid. $R_f = 0.52$ (5% MeOH/CH$_2$Cl$_2$). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl$_3$, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.38 (s, 8H, b-H), 8.38–8.36 (m, 8H, Ph), 7.93–7.87 (m, 12H, Ph). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl$_3$, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 138.66, 137.23, 134.76, 132.71, 129.65, 127.90, 124.15, 110.62, 99.16. UV/vis (CH$_2$Cl$_2$, $\lambda_{max}[nm]$ ($\epsilon$, 10$^5$ M$^{-1}$cm$^{-1}$)): 409 (3.9), 521 (0.18). Elemental analysis: C 64.66, H 3.05, N 12.58. Calcd (%) for C$_{54}$H$_{28}$AuN$_9$: C 64.87, H 2.82, Au 19.70, N 12.61. This compound was further characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

Au$^{III}$ complex of 2H8 as a PCCp$^-$ salt, Au$^{0+}$-PCCp$^-$. NaPCCp (Sakai et al., 2013) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH$_2$Cl$_2$) and recrystallized from CH$_2$Cl$_2$/MeOH to give Au$^{0+}$-PCCp$^-$ (55 mg, 0.022 mmol, 51%) as a red solid. $R_f = 0.51$ (5% MeOH/CH$_2$Cl$_2$). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl$_3$, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.46 (s, 8H, b-H), 7.63 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.32 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH$_2$), 4.11 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH$_2$), 1.98 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, OCH$_2$CH$_2$), 1.86 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 16H, OCH$_2$CH$_2$), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH$_2$)$_2$CH$_2$), 1.49–1.20 (m, 112H, O(CH$_2$)$_2$CH$_2$ + O(CH$_2$)$_3$CH$_2$), 0.94 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH$_2$)$_3$CH$_2$), 0.83 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH$_2$)$_3$CH$_2$). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl$_3$, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 152.08, 139.04, 137.21, 133.52, 132.53, 124.07, 114.50, 110.16, 98.44, 73.98, 69.72, 32.16, 31.93, 30.74, 29.83, 29.65, 29.62, 29.54, 29.41, 26.43, 26.28, 22.93 22.78, 14.32, 14.21. UV/vis (CH$_2$Cl$_2$, $\lambda_{max}[nm]$ ($\epsilon$, 10$^5$ M$^{-1}$cm$^{-1}$)): 428 (1.2), 530 (0.23). Elemental analysis: C 70.88, H 8.55, N 4.81. Calcd (%) for C$_{150}$H$_{220}$Au$_{2}$N$_9$O$_{12}$: C 70.98, H 8.74, Au 7.76, N 4.97, O 7.56.


**Au**III complex of 2H12 as a PCCp − salt, Au12+-PCCp−. NaPCCp (Sakai et al., 2013) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH2Cl2) and recrystallized from CH2Cl2/MeOH to give Au12+-PCCp− (75.3 mg, 0.023 mmol, 72%) as a red solid. Rf = 0.76 (5% MeOH/CH2Cl2). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.46 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.62 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.31 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH2), 4.10 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH2), 1.98 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 8H, OCH2CH2), 1.86 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 16H, OCH2CH2), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)2CH2), 1.53–1.20 (m, 208H, O(CH2)2CH2 + O(CH2)3(CH2)8), 0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH2)11CH3), 0.83 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH2)11CH3). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 152.08, 139.04, 137.22, 133.52, 132.54, 124.08, 114.49, 110.14, 98.43, 73.99, 69.73, 32.13, 32.03, 30.77, 30.03, 29.98, 29.91, 29.82, 29.79, 29.75, 29.64, 29.59, 29.48, 29.47, 26.47, 26.32, 22.80, 14.29, 14.23 (some of the signals for dodecyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH2Cl2, λmax [nm] (ε, 105 M−1 cm−1)): 429 (1.2), 530 (0.23). Elemental analysis: C 73.91, H 9.92, N 3.93. Calcd (%) for C198H316AuN9O12: C 74.05, H 9.92, Au 6.13, N 3.93, O: 5.98.

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**Au**III complex of 2H16 as a PCCp − salt, Au16+-PCCp−. NaPCCp (Sakai et al., 2013) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH2Cl2) and recrystallized from CH2Cl2/MeOH to give Au16+-PCCp− (70.0 mg, 0.018 mmol, 67%) as a red solid. Rf = 0.80 (5% MeOH/CH2Cl2). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.46 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.62 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.31 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH2), 4.10 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH2), 1.98 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 8H, OCH2CH2), 1.86 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 16H, OCH2CH2), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)2CH2), 1.51–1.20 (m, 304H, O(CH2)2CH2 + O(CH2)3(CH2)12), 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH2)15CH3), 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 24H, O(CH2)15CH3). 13C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 152.11, 139.07, 137.23, 133.53, 132.55, 124.10, 114.51, 110.17, 98.46, 73.99, 69.75, 32.12, 32.06, 30.79, 30.05, 30.02, 29.98, 29.96, 29.94, 29.85, 29.80, 29.64, 29.55, 29.50, 26.49, 26.34, 22.86, 22.83, 14.28, 14.25 (some of the signals for hexadecyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH2Cl2, λmax [nm] (ε, 105 M−1 cm−1)): 429 (1.9), 530 (0.34). Elemental analysis: C 76.09, H 10.81, N 3.27. Calcd (%) for C246H412AuN9O12: C 76.05, H 10.69, Au 5.07, N 3.24, O: 4.94.

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**Au**III complex of 2H20 as a PCCp − salt, Au20+-PCCp−. NaPCCp (Sakai et al., 2013) was used for anion exchange. After the workup, the residue was purified by chromatography over a silica gel column (Wakogel C-300, eluent: 5% MeOH/CH2Cl2) and recrystallized from CH2Cl2/MeOH to give Au20+-PCCp− (51.2 mg, 0.011 mmol, 82%) as a red solid. Rf = 0.71 (5% MeOH/CH2Cl2). 1H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl3, 20 °C): δ (ppm): 9.46 (s, 8H, β-H), 7.62 (s, 8H, Ar-H), 4.31 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 8H, OCH2), 4.10 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 16H, OCH2), 1.97 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 8H, OCH2CH2), 1.86 (quin, J = 7.2 Hz, 16H, OCH2CH2), 1.67 (quin, J = 7.8 Hz, 8H, O(CH2)2CH2), 1.52–1.20 (m, 400H, O(CH2)2CH2 + O(CH2)3(CH2)8), 0.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 12H, O(CH2)11CH3), 0.86 (t, J = 6.6 Hz,
24H, O(CH\textsubscript{2})\textsubscript{19}CH\textsubscript{3}).  \textsuperscript{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 152.11, 139.07, 137.22, 133.53, 132.54, 124.10, 114.51. 110.16, 98.45, 73.99, 69.74, 32.10, 32.07, 30.79, 30.06, 30.03, 29.98, 29.94, 29.89, 29.86, 29.81, 29.65, 29.54, 29.51, 26.49, 26.35, 22.84, 14.27 (some of the signals for icosyl chains were overlapped). UV/vis (CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}, \(\lambda_{max}[\text{nm}] (\varepsilon, 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1})\)): 429 (1.2), 530 (0.22). Elemental analysis: C 77.40, H 11.42, N 2.67. Calcd (%) for C\textsubscript{294}H\textsubscript{508}AuN\textsubscript{9}O\textsubscript{12}: C 77.47, H 11.23, Au 4.23, N 2.77, O 4.21.

\[ \text{Au}^{\text{II}} \text{ complex of 2H0 as a NiO\textsuperscript{-} salt, Au0\textsuperscript{+}-NiO\textsuperscript{-}.} \]

Ni\textsuperscript{II} complex of 5-hydroxy-10,15,20-tris(pentafluorophenyl)porphyrin (Sasano et al., 2017; Stähler et al., 2017) (NiOH) (22.9 mg, 0.026 mmol) in CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2} was treated with an excess amount of aqueous NaOH to yield Na\textsuperscript{+}-NiO\textsuperscript{-} in a CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2} phase. Then, Au0\textsuperscript{+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-} (23.1 mg, 0.0260 mmol) was added to Na\textsuperscript{+}-NiO\textsuperscript{-} to form Au0\textsuperscript{+}-NiO\textsuperscript{-} after washing with water to remove NaCl. The CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2} solution was filtered and evaporated to dryness. The residue was then recrystallized from EtOAc/n-hexane to give Au0\textsuperscript{+}-NiO\textsuperscript{-} (21.3 mg, 0.0126 mmol, 48%) as a brown solid. \textsuperscript{1}H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C; Figure S35b for the assignment): δ (ppm): 8.78 (s, 8H, β-H (Au0\textsuperscript{+})), 7.82 (d, J = 4.2 Hz, 2H, β-H (NiO\textsuperscript{-})), 7.92 (d, J = 5.4 Hz, 2H, β-H (NiO\textsuperscript{-})), 7.80 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 8H, Ph (Au0\textsuperscript{+})), 7.76 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 4H, Ph (Au0\textsuperscript{+})), 7.59 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 8H, Ph (Au0\textsuperscript{+})), 6.85 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 2H, β-H (NiO\textsuperscript{-})), 5.54 (br, 2H, β-H (NiO\textsuperscript{-})). \textsuperscript{13}C NMR (151 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): δ (ppm) 146.67 (d, \(J_{13C-19F} = 251 \text{ Hz}\)), 146.46, 146.08 (d, \(J_{13C-19F} = 249 \text{ Hz}\)), 141.94, 141.53 (d, \(J_{13C-19F} = 244 \text{ Hz}\)), 138.92, 138.77, 137.53 (d, \(J_{13C-19F} = 233 \text{ Hz}\)), 136.96, 135.59, 134.64, 131.85, 131.37, 129.32, 127.59, 123.28, 122.32, 122.04, 116.05, 103.27, 93.01 (some signals were overlapped). \textsuperscript{19}F NMR (564 MHz, CDCl\textsubscript{3}, 20 °C): δ (ppm) −139.84 (d, \(J = 25.9 \text{ Hz, 2F, C\textsubscript{4}F\textsubscript{3}}\)), −140.72 (d, \(J = 25.9 \text{ Hz, 4F, C\textsubscript{4}F\textsubscript{3}}\)), −157.75 (m, 1F, C\textsubscript{6}F\textsubscript{5}), −157.87 (m, 2F, C\textsubscript{6}F\textsubscript{5}), −165.60 (m, 4F, C\textsubscript{6}F\textsubscript{5}), −165.93 (m, 2F, C\textsubscript{6}F\textsubscript{5}). UV/vis (CH\textsubscript{2}Cl\textsubscript{2}, \(\lambda_{max}[\text{nm}] (\varepsilon, 10^5 \text{ M}^{-1}\text{cm}^{-1})\)): 410 (4.8), 435 (1.3), 524 (0.24), 674 (0.21). Elemental analysis: C 57.87, H 2.75, F 15.99, N 6.38. Calcd (%) for C\textsubscript{82}H\textsubscript{50}AuF\textsubscript{15}NiO\textsubscript{0.4}C\textsubscript{6}H\textsubscript{4}O\textsubscript{2}·0.4C\textsubscript{6}H\textsubscript{4}·1.5H\textsubscript{2}O: C 57.82, H 2.70, Au 11.02, F 15.95, N 6.27, Ni 3.29, O: 2.96.
Figure S2 TLC analysis of ion pairs, Related to Figure 3.
TLC analysis for (a) 2H0, (b) Au0+-Cl−, (c) Au0+-BF4−, (d) Au0+-PF6−, and (e) Au0+-PCCp− using 5% MeOH/CH2Cl2 as an eluent.

Figure S3 TLC analysis for ion pairs with mixing conditions, Related to Figure 3.
TLC analysis for (a)(i) Au0+-Cl−, (ii) Au0+-PCCp−, and (iii) the mixture of Au0+-Cl− and Au0+-PCCp−, (b)(i) Au0+-Cl−, (ii) Au0+-PCCp−, and (iii) the mixture of Au0+-Cl− and tetrabutylammonium chloride (TBACl), (c)(i) Au0+-Cl−, (ii) Au0+-PCCp−, and (iii) the mixture of Au0+-Cl− and TBAPCCp using 5% MeOH/CH2Cl2 as an eluent. Dotted circles in (b) and (c) indicate the spots of TBAPCCp, which were observed under UV254 light. As for the preparation process, stock CH2Cl2 solutions (1 x 10^{-3} M) of Au0+-Cl−, Au0+-PCCp−, TBACl, and TBAPCCp were prepared. The 1:1 mixed ion pair solutions for (iii) in (a–c) were prepared by mixing two ion pair stock solutions by sonication for 30 sec before spotting onto the TLC. On each TLC starting line, Au0+-Cl− (2 μL), Au0+-PCCp− (2 μL), the mixed solution of Au0+-Cl− (2 μL) and Au0+-PCCp− (2 μL), the mixed solution of Au0+-PCCp− (4 μL) and TBACl (4 μL), and the mixed solution of Au0+-Cl− (4 μL) and TBAPCCp (4 μL) were spotted. In (a)(iii), although two ion pairs Au0+-Cl− and Au0+-PCCp− were mixed in the starting spot, they were completely separated on the TLC. In (b)(iii), the TLC analysis of the mixture of Au0+-PCCp− and TBACl showed a distinct spot of Au0+-PCCp− and small amounts of Au0+-Cl− and TBAPCCp, suggesting the unfavorable ion exchange between Au0+-PCCp− and TBACl. Furthermore, in (c)(iii), the TLC analysis of the mixture of Au0+-Cl− and TBAPCCp also showed a distinct spot of Au0+-PCCp−, which was formed by the ion exchange, and small amounts of Au0+-Cl− and TBAPCCp. The sizes of the spots of Au0+-PCCp− in (b)(iii) and (c)(iii) are approximately twice of those in (ii) as Au0+-PCCp−. These results clearly suggested the stability and the preferential formation of Au0+-PCCp− along with undetectable TBACl during the ion-exchange process.
Figure S4 NMR spectra of 2H16, Related to Figure 2.
(a) $^1$H NMR and (b) $^{13}$C NMR spectra of 2H16 in CDCl$_3$ at 20 °C.
Figure S5 NMR spectra of 2H2O, Related to Figure 2.
(a) $^1$H NMR and (b) $^{13}$C NMR spectra of 2H2O in CDCl$_3$ at 20 °C.
Figure S6 NMR spectra of Au8+-Cl–, Related to Figure 2.
(a) 1H NMR and (b) 13C NMR spectra of Au8+-Cl– in CDCl3 at 20 °C.
Figure S7 NMR spectra of Au12⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au12⁺-Cl⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S8 NMR spectra of Au16⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au16⁺-Cl⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S9 NMR spectra of Au20⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au20⁺-Cl⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S10 NMR spectra of Au0+-BF4–, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR of Au0+-BF4– in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S11 NMR spectrum of Au0⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 2.

¹⁹F NMR spectrum of Au0⁺-BF₄⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S12 NMR spectra of Au8⁺-BF₄⁻, related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au8⁺-BF₄⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S13 NMR spectrum of Au8⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 2.

¹⁹F NMR spectrum of Au8⁺-BF₄⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S14 NMR spectra of Au12⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au12⁺-BF₄⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S15 NMR spectrum of Au12⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 2.

¹⁹F NMR spectrum of Au12⁺-BF₄⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S16 NMR spectra of Au16\(^{+}\)-BF\(_4\)^{−}, Related to Figure 2.
(a) \(^1\)H NMR and (b) \(^{13}\)C NMR spectra of Au16\(^{+}\)-BF\(_4\)^{−} in CDCl\(_3\) at 20 °C.
Figure S17 NMR spectrum of \( \text{Au}^{16+} \cdot \text{BF}_4^- \), Related to Figure 2.

\( ^{19} \text{F} \) NMR spectrum of \( \text{Au}^{16+} \cdot \text{BF}_4^- \) in CDCl\textsubscript{3} at 20 °C.
Figure S18 NMR spectra of Au20⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au20⁺-BF₄⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S19 NMR spectrum of Au20⁺-BF4⁻, Related to Figure 2.

¹⁹F NMR spectrum of Au20⁺-BF4⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S20 NMR spectra of Au\textsuperscript{0+-PF}_6\textsuperscript{−}, Related to Figure 2.
(a) \textsuperscript{1}H NMR and (b) \textsuperscript{13}C NMR spectra of Au\textsuperscript{0+-PF}_6\textsuperscript{−} in CDCl\textsubscript{3} at 20 °C.
Figure S21 NMR spectrum of Au$^{0+}$-PF$_6^-$, Related to Figure 2.

$^{19}$F NMR spectrum of Au$^{0+}$-PF$_6^-$ in CDCl$_3$ at 20 °C.
Figure S22 NMR spectra of Au$^{8+}$-PF$_6^-$, Related to Figure 2.
(a) $^1$H NMR and (b) $^{13}$C NMR spectra of Au$^{8+}$-PF$_6^-$ in CDCl$_3$ at 20 °C.
Figure S23 NMR spectrum of Au8⁺-PF₆⁻, Related to Figure 2.

¹⁹F NMR spectrum of Au8⁺-PF₆⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S24 NMR spectra of Au12\textsuperscript{2+}\textsuperscript{-}PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-}, Related to Figure 2.

(a) $^1$H NMR and (b) $^{13}$C NMR spectra of Au12\textsuperscript{2+}\textsuperscript{-}PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-} in CDCl\textsubscript{3} at 20 °C.
Figure S25 NMR spectrum of Au12\(^{2+}\)-PF\(_6\)^{-}, Related to Figure 2.
\(^{19}\)F NMR spectrum of Au12\(^{2+}\)-PF\(_6\)^{-} in CDCl\(_3\) at 20 °C.
Figure S26 NMR spectra of Au16⁺·PF₆⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au16⁺·PF₆⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S27 NMR spectrum of Au\textsuperscript{16\textsuperscript{+}}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-}, Related to Figure 2. 
\textsuperscript{19}F NMR spectrum of Au\textsuperscript{16\textsuperscript{+}}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{-} in CDCl\textsubscript{3} at 20 °C.
Figure S28 NMR spectra of Au20⁻·PF₆⁻, Related to Figure 2.

¹⁹F NMR spectra of Au20⁻·PF₆⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S29 NMR spectrum of Au\textsuperscript{20$^+$}-PF\textsubscript{6}$^-$, Related to Figure 2.

\textsuperscript{19}F NMR spectrum of Au\textsuperscript{20$^+$}-PF\textsubscript{6}$^-$ in CDCl\textsubscript{3} at 20 °C.
Figure S30 NMR spectra of Au0+-PCCp−, Related to Figure 2.
(a) 1H NMR and (b) 13C NMR spectra of Au0+-PCCp− in CDCl3 at 20 °C.
Figure S31 NMR spectra of Au8⁺-PCCp⁺, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au8⁺-PCCp⁺ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S32 NMR spectra of Au12⁺-PCCp⁺, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au12⁺-PCCp⁺ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S33 NMR spectra of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Figure 2.
(a) ¹H NMR and (b) ¹³C NMR spectra of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ in CDCl₃ at 20 °C.
Figure S34 NMR spectra of Au20\(^{+}\)-PCCp\(^{-}\), Related to Figure 2.
(a) \(^1\)H NMR and (b) \(^{13}\)C NMR spectra of Au20\(^{+}\)-PCCp\(^{-}\) in CDCl\(_3\) at 20 °C.
Figure S35 NMR spectra of Au0+-Cl–, TBA+-NiO–, and Au0+-NiO–, Related to Figure 10.
(a) 1H NMR spectra of (i) Au0+-Cl– and (ii) TBA+-NiO– (Sasano et al., 2017), (b) 1H NMR spectra of Au0+-NiO– ((i) 0–11 ppm and (ii) 5–9.5 ppm) in CDCl3 (1.0 × 10–3 M) at 20 °C. Upfield shifts of the signals of Au0+-NiO– compared to those of Au0+-Cl– and TBA+-NiO– suggested the interaction between the π-electronic cation and anion.
Figure S36. $^1$H–$^1$H COSY, $^{13}$C NMR, $^{19}$F NMR spectra of Au$^{0+}$–NiO$^-$, Related to Figure 10.
(a) $^1$H–$^1$H COSY spectrum of Au$^{0+}$–NiO$^-$ in CDCl$_3$ at 20 °C, (b) $^{13}$C NMR, and (c) $^{19}$F NMR spectra of Au$^{0+}$–NiO$^-$ in CDCl$_3$ at 20 °C. Assignments for H$, H^\alpha$, and H$^\beta$ were supported by $^1$H–$^1$H COSY and $^1$H–$^{13}$C HMBC spectra (Figure S37), as well as by the optimized stacking structure based on DFT calculations (Figure S59).
Figure S37 $^1$H NMR, $^{13}$C NMR, and $^1$H–$^{13}$C HMBC spectra of Au$^{0+}$-NiO$^-$, Related to Figure 10.
(a) $^1$H NMR, (b) $^{13}$C NMR, and (c) $^1$H–$^{13}$C HMBC spectra of Au$^{0+}$-NiO$^-$ in C$_6$D$_6$ (1.0 $\times$ 10$^{-2}$ M), used for clearly separated signals, at 20 $^\circ$C. Assignments for H$^a$, H$^b$, and H$^c$ were supported by $^1$H–$^1$H COSY (Figure S36) and $^1$H–$^{13}$C HMBC spectra, as well as by the optimized stacking structure based on DFT calculations (Figure S59).
Figure S38 ¹H NMR spectra of Au⁰⁺-NiO⁻ at various concentrations, Related to Figure 11.
¹H NMR spectra of Au⁰⁺-NiO⁻ at various concentrations in CDCl₃ at 20 °C. The labels Au and Ni refer to the signals of Au⁰⁺ and NiO⁻, respectively. The signals of β-H in Au⁰⁺-NiO⁻ were shifted downfield with broadening when the concentrations were lowered to 1.0 × 10⁻⁵ M in CDCl₃ at 20 °C, exhibiting the fast exchange between the ion pair and monomeric Au⁰⁺ and NiO⁻. In addition, the downfield shifts of NiO⁻ at 1.0 × 10⁻² M may be attributed to the partial formation of oligomeric assemblies.
Figure S39 VT-1H NMR spectra of Au0+-NiO–, Related to Figure 11.
VT-1H NMR spectra of Au0+-NiO– from 50 °C to –50 °C in CDCl3 (1.0 × 10–3 M). The labels Au and Ni refer to the signals of Au0+ and NiO–, respectively. The signals of Au0+ were shifted upfield and those of NiO– were shifted downfield upon cooling. The results suggested the shielding effect of electron-rich anionic NiO– on Au0+ and the deshielding effect of electron-poor cationic Au0+ on NiO– in tightly paired states.

Figure S40 UV/vis absorption spectra of ion pairs, Related to Figure 2 and 10.
(a) UV/vis absorption spectra with (b) enlarged version for 2H0 (black), Au0+-Cl– (green), Au0+-BF4– (blue), Au0+-PF6– (orange), Au0+-PCCp– (red), and Au0+-NiO– (purple) in CH2Cl2 (4 × 10–6 M (solid lines) for 2H0, Au0+-Cl–, Au0+-BF4–, Au0+-PF6–, and Au0+-PCCp–, and 2 × 10–6 M (solid line) and 4.6 × 10–4 M (dotted line) for Au0+-NiO–). Au III complexes have similar Soret and Q bands, and thus the spectrum of Au0+-BF4– (blue) is almost completely overlapped with those of Au0+-PF6– (orange) and Au0+-PCCp– (red). The ion pairs are soluble in CH2Cl2 as monomeric states in these concentrations. In (b), slightly enhanced absorption bands at around 434 and 523 nm were observed for Au0+-NiO– at 4.6 × 10–4 M compared to those at 2 × 10–6 M, suggesting the formation of a more amount of the ion pair, whose structure was supported by the DFT study (Figure S59), as observed in the 1H NMR (Figure S35–38). Even in a higher concentration, Au0+-NiO– showed the sum of the independent absorption bands derived from each π-electronic ion (Sasano et al., 2017), suggesting that the electronic interaction between π-electronic cation and anion is weak in this condition, as also supported by the independent electron spin densities in the MO for each π-electronic ion (Figure S62).
1-2. X-ray crystallographic data

Single-crystal X-ray analysis. Crystallographic data for ion pairs are summarized in Table S1. A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-Cl\(^-\) showed two crystal pseudo polymorphs (type A and B). A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-Cl\(^-\) (type A) was obtained by vapor diffusion of \( n \)-hexane into a CHCl\(_3\) solution of \( \text{Au}^0\)-Cl\(^-\). The data crystal was a red prism of approximate dimensions 0.050 mm × 0.020 mm × 0.020 mm. Data was collected at 90 K on a Rigaku Saturn 724 diffractometer with Si (111) monochromated synchrotron radiation (\( \lambda = 0.78255 \) Å) at BL40XU (SPring-8) (Yasuda et al., 2009; Yasuda et al., 2010). A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-Cl\(^-\) (type B) was obtained by vapor diffusion of \( n \)-hexane into a CHCl\(_3\) solution of \( \text{Au}^0\)-Cl\(^-\). The data crystal was a red prism of approximate dimensions 0.22 mm × 0.15 mm × 0.05 mm. Data was collected at 93 K on a Rigaku XtaLAB P200 diffractometer with graphite monochromated Cu-K\(_\alpha\) radiation (\( \lambda = 1.54187 \) Å). A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-BF\(_4\)\(^-\) was obtained by vapor diffusion of \( n \)-hexane into a CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\) solution of \( \text{Au}^0\)-BF\(_4\)\(^-\). The data crystal was a red prism of approximate dimensions 0.120 mm × 0.002 mm × 0.002 mm. Data was collected at 90 K on a Rigaku Saturn 724 diffractometer with Si (111) monochromated synchrotron radiation (\( \lambda = 0.78203 \) Å) at BL40XU (SPring-8) (Yasuda et al., 2009; Yasuda et al., 2010). A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-PF\(_6\)\(^-\) was obtained by vapor diffusion of \( n \)-hexane into a (CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\))\(_2\) solution of \( \text{Au}^0\)-PF\(_6\)\(^-\). The data crystal was a red prism of approximate dimensions 0.020 mm × 0.010 mm × 0.010 mm. Data was collected at 100 K on a CCD diffractometer (Rayonix/MX225HE), with Si (111) monochromated synchrotron radiation (\( \lambda = 0.80000 \) Å) at BL38B1 (SPring-8). A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-PCCp\(^-\) was obtained by vapor diffusion of CH\(_3\)CN into a (CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\))\(_2\) solution of \( \text{Au}^0\)-PCCp\(^-\). The data crystal was a red prism of approximate dimensions 0.080 mm × 0.040 mm × 0.040 mm. The data was collected at 93 K on a CCD diffractometer (Rayonix/MX225HE), with Si (111) monochromated synchrotron radiation (\( \lambda = 0.80000 \) Å) at BL38B1 (SPring-8). A single crystal of \( \text{Au}^0\)-NiO\(_2\)\(^-\) was obtained by vapor diffusion of \( n \)-hexane into an EtOAc solution of the 1:1 mixture of NiO\(^-\) as a Na\(^+\) salt, which was prepared by washing an CH\(_2\)Cl\(_2\) solution of NiOH with NaOH aq., and \( \text{Au}^0\)-Cl\(^-\) upon washing with ion-exchanged water several times to remove NaCl. The data crystal was a red prism of approximate dimensions 0.010 mm × 0.002 mm × 0.002 mm. Data was collected at 90 K on a Rigaku Saturn 724 diffractometer with Si (111) monochromated synchrotron radiation (\( \lambda = 0.78229 \) Å) at BL40XU (SPring-8) (Yasuda et al., 2009; Yasuda et al., 2010). In each case, the structure was solved by dual-space method, and the non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The calculations were performed using Yadokari-XG (Kabuto et al., 2009). CIF files (CCDC-1877986–1877991) can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif.
Table S1 Crystallographic details, Related to Figure 4, 5, and 12.

|                  | Au0⁺-Cl⁻ (type A) | Au0⁺-Cl⁻ (type B) | Au0⁺-BF₄⁻ | Au0⁺-PF₆⁻ | Au0⁺-PCCp⁻ | Au0⁺-NiO⁻ |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| formula          | C₄₄H₂₈AuN₄·Cl·CHCl₃ | C₄₄H₂₈AuN₄·Cl·4CHCl₃ | C₄₄H₂₈AuN₄·BF₄·CH₂Cl₂ | C₄₄H₂₈AuN₄·PF₆·C₂H₄Cl₂ | C₄₄H₂₈AuN₄·C₁₀N₅·0.416C₂H₄Cl₂·C₂H₃N·0.5H₂O | C₄₄H₂₈AuN₄·C₁₀H₁₈NiO·0.70C₈H₁₈ |
| fw               | 964.52            | 1322.59           | 981.40     | 1053.59    | 1091.04    | 1767.96   |
| crystal size, mm | 0.050 x 0.020 x 0.020 | 0.22 x 0.15 x 0.120 x 0.002 x 0.200 x 0.010 x 0.080 x 0.040 x 0.010 x 0.002 x 0.080 x 0.040 | 0.050 | 0.020 | 0.010 | 0.002 |
| crystal system   | monoclinic        | triclinic         | monoclinic | triclinic  | orthorhombic | monoclinic |
| space group      | P2₁/n (no. 14)    | P-1 (no. 2)       | P₂₁/n (no. 14) | P-1 (no. 2) | Fdca2 (no. 43) | P2/n (no. 13) |
| a, Å             | 11.8931(3)        | 9.4537(17)        | 13.9228(5) | 9.42100(10) | 28.4997(8) | 12.8429(6) |
| b, Å             | 22.2174(4)        | 12.527(3)         | 9.2425(4)  | 14.51380(10)| 48.3324(14)| 20.8194(8) |
| c, Å             | 14.4087(3)        | 23.480(4)         | 28.2662(10)| 15.4764(2) | 13.4721(3) | 27.9708(12)|
| α, °             | 90                | 88.072(19)        | 90         | 65.8757(4) | 90         | 90         |
| β, °             | 103.2750(10)      | 78.581(15)        | 94.994(3)  | 87.6449(5) | 90         | 101.923(3)|
| γ, °             | 90                | 69.026(18)        | 90         | 86.7701(6) | 90         | 90         |
| V, Å³            | 3705.53(14)       | 2542.9(9)         | 3623.5(2)  | 1927.89(4) | 18557.3(9) | 7317.5(5)  |
| ρ calc, gcm⁻³    | 1.729             | 1.727             | 1.799      | 1.815      | 1.562      | 1.605      |
| Z                 | 4                 | 2                 | 4          | 2          | 16         | 4          |
| T, K             | 90(2)             | 93(2)             | 100(2)     | 100(2)     | 93(2)      | 100(2)     |
| μ, mm⁻¹          | 5.464ᵇ           | 12.037ᶜ           | 5.413ᵇ     | 5.464ᵇ     | 4.390ᵇ     | 2.991ᵇ     |
| no. of reflns    | 20050             | 29975             | 19364      | 11796      | 25279      | 40182      |
| no. of unique reflns | 6615          | 8546              | 6472       | 5978       | 4093       | 13043      |
| variables        | 497               | 622               | 507        | 541        | 618        | 927        |
| λ, Å             | 0.78255ᵇ         | 1.54187ᶜ         | 0.78201ᵇ   | 0.80000ᵇ   | 0.80000ᵇ   | 0.78229ᵇ   |
| R₁ (I > 2σ(I))   | 0.0245           | 0.0346            | 0.0377     | 0.0394     | 0.0563     | 0.0790     |
| wR₂ (I > 2σ(I))  | 0.0538           | 0.0877            | 0.0868     | 0.1061     | 0.1526     | 0.1885     |
| GOF              | 1.043            | 1.076             | 1.084      | 1.041      | 1.026      | 0.994      |

ᵃ In 1977, Tulinsky, et al. reported the crystal structure of Au0⁺-Cl⁻ with 0.7 equiv of CHCl₃ (Timkovich and Tulinsky, 1977), whose structure was different from our cases (Au0⁺-Cl⁻ (type A and B)) although the crystallization conditions are similar. ᵇ The values under the synchrotron radiation. ᶜ The values under the Cu-Kα radiation.
Figure S41 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0+-Cl−, Related to Figure 4.
Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0+-Cl− (type A) as Ortep drawings (top and side views) with two disordered CHCl₃ (a,b) in the ratio of 0.96:0.04 for top and bottom structures, wherein thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.

Figure S42 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0+-Cl−, Related to Figure 4.
Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0+-Cl− (type B) as Ortep drawings (top and side views) with two disordered CHCl₃ (a,b) in the ratio of 0.54:0.46 for top and bottom structures, wherein thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.
Figure S43 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 5.
Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0⁺-BF₄⁻ as Ortep drawings (top and side views) with two disordered BF₄⁻ (a,b) in the ratio of 0.53:0.47 for top and bottom structures, wherein thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.

Figure S44 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0⁺-PF₆⁻, Related to Figure 5.
Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0⁺-PF₆⁻ as Ortep drawings (top and side views) for top and bottom structures, wherein thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.
Figure S45 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au⁰⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Figure 5.
Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au⁰⁺-PCCp⁻ as Ortep drawings (top and side views) for top and bottom structures, wherein thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level.
Figure S46 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0\(^+\)-NiO\(^-\), Related to Figure 12.

Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0\(^+\)-NiO\(^-\) as Ortep drawings (top and side views) for top and side views containing an Au0\(^+\) unit and two NiO\(^-\) units. Thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level. One Au0\(^+\) and two independent half anionic species NiO\(^-\), in which structures were expanded for clarity, exist in the crystal. A phenyl ring of Au0\(^+\) has a disordered structure in the ratio of 52 (black bond) : 48 (white bond).
Figure S47 Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0+-NiO–, Related to Figure 12.

Single-crystal X-ray structure of Au0+-NiO– as Ortep drawings (top and side views) for (a) Au0+ and (b)(i,ii) two independent units of NiO– (top and side views). Thermal ellipsoids are scaled to the 50% probability level. One Au0+ and two independent half anionic species NiO–, in which structures were expanded for clarity, exist in the crystal. A phenyl ring of Au0+ has a disordered structure in the ratio of 52 (black bond) : 48 (white bond). Partial atoms in one of the NiO– units ((b)(ii)) were set as isotropic displacement parameters.
Figure S48 Packing diagram of Au$^0$–Cl$^-$, Related to Figure 4.
(a) Packing diagram of Au$^0$–Cl$^-$ (type A), wherein Au$^0$–Cl$^-$ forms a stacking dimeric assembly with the columnar structure along the a-axis, and (b) top and side views of enlarged ion pair. The pyrrole-N1,2,3–Au and pyrrole-N4–Au distances are 2.02 and 2.03 Å, respectively. The N1–Au–N2, N2–Au–N3, N3–Au–N4, and N4–Au–N1 angles are 90.4°, 89.5°, 90.5°, and 89.6°, respectively. The distance between nearest Cl$^-$–Au is 3.00 Å and the angle of the line through Cl$^-$ and Au to the core porphyrin plane (core 25 atoms including Au) is 76.9°, suggesting that Cl$^-$ has no coordination to Au$^{	ext{III}}$. The distances between two Au$^0$, Au···Au, and Cl$^-$···Cl$^-$ in the column are 3.75, 5.34, and 10.81 Å, respectively. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, green, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, chorine, and gold, respectively.
Figure S49 Packing diagram of Au0\(^+\)-Cl\(^-\), Related to Figure 4.
(a) Packing diagram of Au0\(^+\)-Cl\(^-\) (type B), wherein Au0\(^+\)-Cl\(^-\) forms a charge-by-charge assembly with the columnar structure along the a-axis, and (b) top and side views of the enlarged ion pair. All the pyrrole-N–Au distances are 2.03 Å, whereas the N1–Au–N2, N2–Au–N3, N3–Au–N4, and N4–Au–N1 angles are 90.1°, 89.8°, 89.9°, and 90.1°, respectively. The distance between nearest Cl–···Au is 3.12 Å and the angle of the line through Cl– and Au to the core porphyrin plane (core 25 atoms including Au) is 80.2°, suggesting that Cl\(^-\) has no coordination to Au\(^{III}\). The distances between two Au0\(^+\), Au···Au, and Cl–···Cl– in the column are 9.28, 9.45, and 9.45 Å, respectively. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, green, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, chorine, and gold, respectively.
Figure S50 Packing diagram of Au0⁺-BF₄⁻, Related to Figure 5.

(a) Packing diagram of Au0⁺-BF₄⁻, wherein Au0⁺-BF₄⁻ forms a charge-segregated assembly with the columnar structure along the b-axis, and (b) top and side views of the enlarged ion pair. All the pyrrole-N–Au distances are 2.02 Å, whereas the N1–Au–N2, N2–Au–N3, N3–Au–N4, and N4–Au–N1 angles are 90.0°, 90.5°, 89.9°, and 89.7°, respectively. The stacking distances between two Au0⁺ (core 25 atoms) and the Au···Au distances in the column are 3.73/3.88 and 5.05/5.48 Å, respectively. The BF₄⁻ anion is proximally located around the porphyrin–AuIII complex with the pyrrole-β-C(-H)···F distance of 3.12 Å. Solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Atom color code: brown, pink, yellow, light blue, light green, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, boron, nitrogen, fluorine, and gold, respectively.
Figure S51 Packing diagram of Au⁰⁺-PF₆⁻, Related to Figure 5.
(a) Packing diagram of Au⁰⁺-PF₆⁻, wherein Au⁰⁺-PF₆⁻ forms a charge-segregated assembly with the columnar structure along the a-axis, and (b) top and side views of the enlarged ion pair. The pyrrole-N1–Au and pyrrole-N2,3,4–Au distances are 2.01 and 2.02 Å, respectively, whereas the N1–Au–N2, N2–Au–N3, N3–Au–N4, and N4–Au–N1 angles are 90.4°, 89.8°, 90.6°, and 89.3°, respectively. The stacking distances between two Au⁰⁺ (core 25 atoms) and the Au···Au distances in the column are 3.87/3.89 and 5.26/5.30 Å, respectively. The PF₆⁻ anion is proximally located around the porphyrin–Au³⁺ complex with the pyrrole-C(–H)···F distances of 3.18 and 3.29 Å. Solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, light green, orange, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, fluorine, phosphorus, and gold, respectively.
Figure S52 Packing diagram of Au0+-PCCp–, Related to Figure 5.

(a) Packing diagram of Au0+-PCCp–, wherein Au0+-PCCp– forms a charge-by-charge assembly with the columnar structure along the c-axis, and (b) top and side views of the enlarged ion pair. The pyrrole-N1–Au, pyrrole-N2–Au, pyrrole-N3–Au, and pyrrole-N4–Au distances are 2.01, 1.99, 2.00, and 1.98 Å, respectively, whereas the N1–Au–N2, N2–Au–N3, N3–Au–N4, and N4–Au–N1 angles are 90.1°, 90.1°, 91.1°, and 88.9°, respectively. The stacking distances between Au0+ (core 25 atoms) and PCCp– and the Au···Au distance in the column are 3.37/3.40 and 6.77 Å, respectively, suggesting that the charge-by-charge assembly is stabilized by π–π stacking and electrostatic interactions. In the charge-by-charge stacking columnar structure, meso-phenyl rings are aligned in the same direction in order to minimize the steric repulsion with cyano groups of PCCp–. Furthermore, neighboring Au0+ and PCCp– are alternately arranged not only in the columnar direction (c-axis) but also in the intercolumnar (a- and b-axis) direction. Solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, and gold, respectively.
Figure S53 Packing diagram of Au⁰⁺-NiO⁻, Related to Figure 12.
(a) Packing diagram of Au⁰⁺-NiO⁻, wherein Au⁰⁺-NiO⁻ forms a charge-segregated assembly with the columnar structure along the c-axis, and (b) top and side views of the enlarged ion pairs with independent NiO⁻. The pyrrole-N1–Au, pyrrole-N2–Au, and pyrrole-N3,4–Au distances are 2.03, 1.99, and 2.02 Å, respectively, whereas the N1–Au–N2, N2–Au–N3, N3–Au–N4, and N4–Au–N1 angles are 88.9°, 90.9°, 89.7°, and 90.6°, respectively. The (C–)O···Au distances were 3.03 and 3.55 Å with the O–Au–Au⁰⁺-plane (core 25 atoms) angles of 71.5° and 55.9°, respectively. The distance between mean planes of NiO⁻ (core 25 atoms) were 11.04 and 11.48 Å. The dihedral angles between Au⁰⁺ and NiO⁻ were 14.0° and 14.6° and that between Au⁰⁺ was 27.4°. Solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, light green, gray, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, fluorine, nickel, and gold, respectively.
1-3. Theoretical studies

Semi-empirical calculations and DFT calculations. Semi-empirical calculations and DFT calculations for porphyrin derivatives and AuIII complexes were carried out by using the Gaussian 09 program (Frisch et al., 2013).

Figure S54 Optimized structures of metal-free porphyrins, Related to Figure 8.
Optimized structures (top and side views) of (a) 2H8, (b) 2H12, (c) 2H16, and (d) 2H20 at AM1 level.

Figure S55 Optimized structures and electron density diagrams of AuIII complexes of Au0+, Related to Figure 2.
(a) Optimized structures and (b) electron density diagrams of AuIII complexes of Au0+. Geometry optimizations were performed using the DFT functional B3LYP and the basis set 6-31+G(d,p) for C, H, N, and O and def2TZVP for Au. Electrostatic potentials were mapped onto the electron density isosurface ($\delta = 0.01$) calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) for C, H, and N and def2TZVP for Au. Atom color code: gray, white, blue, and yellow refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, and gold, respectively.
Figure S56 Electron density diagrams of Au0-Cl−, Related to Figure 4.
(i) Electron density diagrams (top and side perspective views) of (a) Au0-Cl− and (b) Au0+Cl− with solvated CHCl3 to Cl− observed in (ii) the crystal structure of Au0+Cl− (type A) (Figure S41,48). Electrostatic potentials were mapped onto the electron density isosurface (δ = 0.01) calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) for C, H, N, and Cl and def2TZVP for Au. Greater electron density was observed in Au0+ at the site proximal to Cl−. Negative charge of Cl− decreased by Au0+ and solvating CHCl3. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, green, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, chorine, and gold, respectively.

Figure S57 Electron density diagrams of Au0-Cl−, Related to Figure 4.
(i) Electron density diagrams (top and side perspective views) of (a) Au0+Cl− and (b) Au0+Cl− with solvated CHCl3 to Cl− observed in (ii) the crystal structure of Au0+Cl− (type B) (Figure S42,49). Electrostatic potentials were mapped onto the electron density isosurface (δ = 0.01) calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) for C, H, N, and Cl and def2TZVP for Au. Greater electron density was observed in Au0+ at the site proximal to Cl−. Negative charge of Cl− decreased by Au0+ and solvating CHCl3. Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, green, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, chorine, and gold, respectively.
Figure S58 Electron density diagrams of Au0-PCCp−, Related to Figure 5.
(i) Electron density diagrams (top and side perspective views) of two types of stacking ion pair (a,b) Au0+-PCCp− observed in (ii) the crystal structure of Au0+-PCCp− (Figure S45,52). Electrostatic potentials were mapped onto the electron density isosurface (δ = 0.01) calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) for C, H, and N and def2TZVP for Au. Small negative charge in Au0+ was observed by stacking with PCCp− compared to Au0+-Cl− (Figure S56,57). Atom color code: brown, pink, light blue, and light orange refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, and gold, respectively.
Figure S59 Optimized structures of TBA\(^{+}\)-NiO\(^{-}\) and Au\(^{0}\,+\)-NiO\(^{-}\), Related to Figure 11.

Optimized structures of (a) TBA\(^{+}\)-NiO\(^{-}\) and (b) Au\(^{0}\,+\)-NiO\(^{-}\) at B3LYP-GD3BJ with the 6-31G(d,p) basis set for C, H, N, O, F, and Ni and LanL2DZ for Au (optimized from the crystal structures of TBA\(^{+}\)-NiO\(^{-}\) (Sasano et al., 2017) and Au\(^{0}\,+\)-NiO\(^{-}\) (Figure S53b(i))), wherein (i) and (ii) show the side perspective and side views and the top and side views of NiO\(^{-}\) with selected bond lengths, respectively. The mean-plane deviations of the 24-atom plane of NiO\(^{-}\) in (a) and (b) were 0.41 and 0.17 Å, respectively. Longer Ni–N distance and planar structure of NiO\(^{-}\) in Au\(^{0}\,+\)-NiO\(^{-}\) than that of TBA\(^{+}\)-NiO\(^{-}\) probably indicated the contribution of coordination of π-electron of Au\(^{0}\) to the Ni site. Atom color code: gray, white, blue, red, light green, green, and yellow refer to carbon, hydrogen, nitrogen, oxygen, fluorine, nickel, and gold, respectively. LanL2DZ basis set was used for Au atom due to the limited calculation resource.
Figure S60 Electron density diagrams of AuO$^+$-NiO$^-$, Related to Figure 11.
Electron density diagrams (top and side perspective views) of AuO$^+$-NiO$^-$ as the optimized structure based on the single-crystal X-ray structure (Figure S53b(i)); see also Figure S59b). Electrostatic potentials were mapped onto the electron density isosurface ($\delta = 0.01$) calculated at B3LYP-GD3BJ with the 6-31+G(d,p) basis set for C, H, N, O, F, and Ni and LanL2DZ for Au on the basis of optimized structure obtained by B3LYP-GD3BJ with the 6-31G(d,p) basis set for C, H, N, O, F, and Ni and LanL2DZ for Au. LanL2DZ basis set was used for Au atom due to the limited calculation resource. Effective delocalization of positive and negative charges for stacking was observed in AuO$^+$ and NiO$^-$, respectively.
Figure S61 Molecular orbitals of Au\textsuperscript{0+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-} and Au\textsuperscript{0+}-PCCp\textsuperscript{-}, Related to Figure 4 and 5.
Molecular orbitals (MOs) of associating ion pairs in (a)(i) Au\textsuperscript{0+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-} (type A) and (ii) Au\textsuperscript{0+}-Cl\textsuperscript{-} (type B) and (b) Au\textsuperscript{0+}-PCCp\textsuperscript{-} found in the crystal structures (see also Figure S56–58) calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G(d,p) for C, H, N, and Cl and def2TZVP for Au. Separately localized MOs at Au\textsuperscript{0+} and anions (Cl\textsuperscript{-}, PCCp\textsuperscript{-}) suggest that each ion exists as an independent species.
Figure S62 Molecular orbitals of Au$^{0+}$-NiO$^-$, Related to Figure 12.
Molecular orbitals (MOs) of the associating ion pair Au$^{0+}$-NiO$^-$ calculated at B3LYP-GD3BJ level with the 6-31+G(d,p) basis set for C, H, N, O, F, and Ni and LanL2DZ for Au on the basis of optimized structure obtained by B3LYP-GD3BJ with the 6-31G(d,p) basis set for C, H, N, O, F, and Ni and LanL2DZ for Au (see also Figure S60). LanL2DZ basis set was used for Au atom due to the limited calculation resource.
Cartesian coordination of optimized structures

**2H8 (AM1)**

\[ E = -1.0101567 \text{ hartree} \]

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|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2.3885532992 | 1.8251908904 | 0.92868797  |
| 3.5719777317  | 6.550790288  | 0.2756118482 |
| 3.0966882093  | 1.0591099052 | -0.6515299428 |
| 3.5719777317  | 6.550790288  | -1.776211111 |
| 3.5719777317  | 6.550790288  | -1.776211111 |
| 3.0966882093  | 1.0591099052 | -0.6515299428 |
| 3.5719777317  | 6.550790288  | -1.776211111 |
| 3.0966882093  | 1.0591099052 | -0.6515299428 |
| 3.5719777317  | 6.550790288  | -1.776211111 |
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1-4. Examination of organized structures

Absorption spectroscopy. UV-visible absorption spectra were recorded on a Hitachi U-3500 spectrometer.

Atomic force microscopy (AFM). AFM measurements were carried out with an Olympus LEXT OLS3500 in a dynamic force mode (tapping mode) using a silicon (100) substrate.

Differential scanning calorimetry (DSC). The phase transitions were measured on a differential scanning calorimetry (Shimadzu DSC-60).

Polarizing optical microscopy (POM). POM measurements were carried out with a Nikon OPTIPHOT-POL polarizing optical microscope equipped with a Mettler FP82 HT hot stage.

Synchrotron X-ray diffraction analysis (XRD). High-resolution XRD analysis was carried out using a synchrotron radiation X-ray beam with the wavelengths of 1.00 Å, 0.71 Å (wide-angle XRD), and 0.83 Å (XRD for the sheared samples) on BL40B2 at SPring-8 (Hyogo, Japan). A large Debye-Scherrer camera with camera lengths of 541.6 mm for VT-XRD of 2H8 and Au8+-Cl–, 543.0 mm for VT-XRD of Au8+-BF4– and Au8+-PF6–, 543.5 mm for VT-XRD of 2H12, Au12+-Cl–, Au12+-BF4–, Au12+-PF6–, Au12+-PCCP–, and Au16+-PCCP–, 546.0 mm for VT-XRD of 2H16 and Au16+-Cl–, 541.8 mm for VT-XRD of 2H20, Au20+-Cl–, Au20+-BF4–, Au20+-PF6–, and Au20+-PCCP–, 292.6 mm for the wide-angle XRD of Au12+-Cl–, Au16+-Cl–, Au20+-Cl–, Au12+-PCCP–, Au16+-PCCP–, and Au20+-PCCP–, and 541.8 mm for the XRD for the sheared samples of Au16+-PCCP– and Au20+-PCCP– using an imaging plate as a detector. The diffraction patterns were obtained with a 0.01° step in 2θ under 10 sec exposure time of X-ray beam. The samples were sealed in a quartz capillary for VT-XRD and inserted between two Kapton (polyimide) films for shearing. The initial precipitate samples were prepared by reprecipitation from the CH2Cl2/MeOH solution, otherwise indicated.

![Figure S63 UV/vis absorption spectra of Au16+-Cl–, Au20+-BF4–, and Au16+-PCCP–, Related to Figure 7.](image)

Figure S63 UV/vis absorption spectra of Au16+-Cl–, Au20+-BF4–, and Au16+-PCCP–, Related to Figure 7. UV/vis absorption spectra of Au16+-Cl– (black), Au20+-BF4– (red), and Au16+-PCCP– (blue) in the solid state at r.t. cooling from isotropic liquids (Iso). Ion pairs Au16+-X– (X = Cl– and PCCP–) and Au20+-BF4– showed the λ_{max} at 425 nm with characteristic small bands: the Cl– and BF4– ion pairs showed similar peaks at 535/576 nm (shoulder) and 539/577 nm, respectively, whereas Au16+-PCCP– showed a blue-shifted shoulder peak of 527 nm. The shifted shoulder peaks were derived from the different stacking modes as ion-pairing assemblies. The large peak of Au20+-BF4– at 577 nm can be the result of the possible slipped stacking of porphyrin core unit due to the less ordered arrangement. In contrast, the blue-shifted shoulder of Au16+-PCCP– is more similar to the Q band of the solution-state monomeric ion pairs as observed at 521 nm. The blue-shifted absorption compared to the Cl– and BF4– ion pairs can be explained by the distinct alternate stacking of Au16+ and PCCP–, resulting in the monomer-state UV/vis absorption. These results showed that the ion pairs with Cl– and BF4– probably form preferentially charge-segregated assemblies, whereas planar PCCP– forms a charge-by-charge assembly. Au16+-PF6– is not shown due to the isotropic state at r.t. cooling from Iso.
Figure S64 Photograph of gel, Related to Figure 6.
Photograph of gel prepared from an octane solution of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ (10 mg/mL). The gel of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ was transformed to the solution state at 31 °C. Other ion pairs such as Au16⁺-Cl⁻, Au16⁺-BF₄⁻, and Au16⁺-PF₆⁻ did not show gelation behaviors.

Figure S65 Photographs of optical microscopy and AFM images, Related to Figure 6.
Photographs of (i) optical microscopy (OM) and (ii) AFM images of (a) precipitate of Au16⁺-BF₄⁻ and (b) gel (xerogel) of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ prepared from octane solutions (10 mg/mL).

Figure S66 Variable-temperature (VT) UV/vis absorption spectra of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Figure 6.
Variable-temperature (VT) UV/vis absorption spectra of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ in octane (4 × 10⁻⁶ M) from (a) 20 to 100 °C and (b) 100 to −50 °C. Broader peak maxima were observed than those in CH₂Cl₂ solutions due to the formation of tightly bound ion pairs and resulting aggregations.
Figure S67 DSC thermographs of ion pairs, Related to Table 1.

DSC thermographs of (a) 2H8, (b) 2H12, (c) 2H16, (d) 2H20, (e) Au8⁺-Cl⁻, (f) Au12⁺-Cl⁻, (g) Au16⁺-Cl⁻, (h) Au20⁺-Cl⁻, and (i) Au8⁺-BF₄⁻ at a scanning rate of 5 °C/min. Onset temperatures for transitions are described except for several transitions in (c) due to the board peaks. 2H8 as a liquid-like state was obtained by the evaporation from a CH₂Cl₂ solution. In the cooling processes of (b), unidentified peaks derived from machine operation (marked by asterisks) were observed.
Figure S68 DSC thermographs of ion pairs, Related to Table 1.

DSC thermographs of (a) Au$^{12+}$-BF$_4^-$, (b) Au$^{16+}$-BF$_4^-$, (c) Au$^{20+}$-BF$_4^-$, (d) Au$^{8+}$-PF$_6^-$, (e) Au$^{12+}$-PF$_6^-$, (f) Au$^{16+}$-PF$_6^-$, (g) Au$^{20+}$-PF$_6^-$, (h) Au$^{8+}$-PCCP$, (i) Au$^{12+}$-PCCP$, (j) Au$^{16+}$-PCCP$, and (k) Au$^{20+}$-PCCP$^-$ at a scanning rate of 5 °C/min. Onset temperatures for transitions are described except for several transitions in (a–c,e,f) due to the board peaks. In the cooling processes of (e), unidentified peaks derived from machine operation (marked by asterisks) were observed.
Figure S69 POM images of ion pairs, Related to Figure 7.
POM images of (a) $2H_{16}$ at 25 °C, (b) $2H_{20}$ at 35 °C, (c) $Au_{8}^+\cdot Cl^-$ at 80 °C, (d) $Au_{12}^+\cdot Cl^-$ at 50 °C, (e) $Au_{16}^+\cdot Cl^-$ at 100 °C, (f) $Au_{20}^+\cdot Cl^-$ at 50 °C, (g) $Au_{8}^+\cdot BF_4^-$ at 110 °C, (h) $Au_{20}^+\cdot BF_4^-$ at 35 °C, (i) $Au_{8}^+\cdot PF_6^-$ at 120 °C, (j) $Au_{12}^+\cdot PF_6^-$ at 105 °C, (k) $Au_{12}^+\cdot PCCp^-$ at 100 °C, (l) $Au_{16}^+\cdot PCCp^-$ at 280 °C, and (m) $Au_{20}^+\cdot PCCp^-$ at 250 °C obtained by cooling from isotropic liquids. The textures of (a)–(f), (h), and (j)–(l) were observed as mesophases, whereas those of (g) and (i) were observed as crystal states. $Au_{16}^+\cdot BF_4^-$ and $Au_{20}^+\cdot PF_6^-$ did not show POM textures between r.t. and isotropic state due to less ordered assembling states as seen in the XRD data of the crystalline phases (Figure S95,106). POM observations of $2H_8$, $2H_{12}$, $Au_{12}^+\cdot BF_4^-$, and $Au_{16}^+\cdot PF_6^-$ were not examined due to their isotropic state at r.t. and that of $Au_{8}^+\cdot PCCp^-$ was not examined due to the decomposition in the thermal process at high temperature.
Table S2 Summarized phase transition behaviors of ion-pairing assemblies, Related to Table 1. Crystalline states are shown in italic. The details of the packing structures such as XRD patterns of ion pairs are shown in Figure S71–120 and Table S3–19.

| compounds  | cooling$^a$             | heating$^a$            |
|------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 2H8        | Iso$^b$                 | Iso$^b$                |
| 2H12       | lamellar –19 Iso        | lamellar –9 Iso        |
| 2H16       | lamellar 17$^c$ lamellar 26 Iso | lamellar 26$^c$ lamellar 32 Iso |
| 2H20       | lamellar 43 lamellar 49 Iso | lamellar 53 Iso        |
| Au8$^+$-Cl$^-$ | Col, 122 Iso     | Col, 144$^d$ Iso       |
| Au12$^+$-Cl$^-$ | Col, –22$^c$ Col, 120 Iso | Col, –20$^c$ Col, 138$^d$ Iso |
| Au16$^+$-Cl$^-$ | Col, 37 Col, 109$^c$ Iso | Col, 40 Col, 111 Iso   |
| Au20$^+$-Cl$^-$ | Col, 53 Col, 57 Col, 61 Col, 70 Iso | Col, 60 Col, 65 Col, 73 Iso |
| Au8$^+$-BF$^-$   | Cr, 138 Iso              | Cr, 162 Iso             |
| Au12$^+$-BF$^-$   | amorphous –45$^c$ Iso   | amorphous –45$^c$ Iso   |
| Au16$^+$-BF$^-$   | Col, 19$^c$ Iso          | Col, 20$^c$ Col, 61 Iso |
| Au20$^+$-BF$^-$   | Col, 48$^c$ Col, 63 Iso  | Col, 59$^c$ Col, 80 Iso |
| Au8$^+$-PF$^-$   | Cr, 148 Iso              | Cr, 161 Iso             |
| Au12$^+$-PF$^-$   | Col$_{la}$ –42$^c$ Col$_{la}$, 75 Col$_{la}$, 105$^c$ Iso | Col$_{la}$ –40$^c$ Col$_{la}$, 113 Iso |
| Au16$^+$-PF$^-$   | lamellar 10 Iso          | lamellar 12$^c$ Iso    |
| Au20$^+$-PF$^-$   | lamellar 39 Iso          | lamellar 51 Iso        |
| Au8$^+$-PCCP$^-$  | $^g$                      | $^g$                    |
| Au12$^+$-PCCP$^-$  | $^h$                      | $^h$                    |
| Au16$^+$-PCCP$^-$  | Col, 36 Col, 292 Iso     | Col, 43 Col, 293 Iso    |
| Au20$^+$-PCCP$^-$  | Col, 61 Col, 260 Iso     | Col, 67 Col, 262 Iso    |

$^a$ Transition temperatures (°C, the onset of the peak) from DSC 1st cooling and 2nd heating scans (5 °C min$^{-1}$). $^b$ Evaluated from –100 °C to 50 °C. $^c$ Peak top temperatures due to the broad DSC peaks. $^d$ Transition temperatures from POM. $^e$ Transition temperatures from 2nd cooling. $^f$ Although there may be a transition at ~0 °C, the detailed examination on the possible mesophase was difficult. $^g$ Decomposed at 383 °C. $^h$ Slightly transformed to other species after the transition to Iso at >300 °C.
Summary for the phase transition behaviors of ion-pairing assemblies, Related to Table 1.

Summary for the phase transition behaviors of ion-pairing assemblies for heating and cooling processes based on DSC and POM observations (Figure S67–69, Table S2) along with XRD (Figure S71–120). The lower and upper limit temperatures for each ion pair are derived from the ranges of DSC measurements. Shaded bars show the crystalline phases. **Au8**<sup>+</sup>-**PCCp**<sup>-</sup> and **Au12**<sup>+</sup>-**PCCp**<sup>-</sup> are not shown due to the decomposition and the slightly transformed behavior, respectively, in the thermal processes at high temperature (>300 °C).
Figure S71 XRD patterns of 2H8, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of 2H8 at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) –10 °C (1st cooling), (c) –50 °C (1st cooling), and (d) 25 °C (2nd heating). The initial liquid-like sample was obtained by evaporation from the CH2Cl2 solution.

Figure S72 XRD patterns of 2H12, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of 2H12 at (a) 25 °C (1st heating) and (b) –35 °C (1st cooling). The XRD pattern of (b) exhibits a lamellar structure (Figure S73).

Table S3 XRD peaks of 2H12, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of 2H12 at (b) –35 °C (1st cooling) (Figure S72). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| hkl  | q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | 001 |
|------|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| lamellar | 6.89     | 0.91           | 0.34  | 0.333         | 003 |
| –35 °C (1st cooling) | 4.69     | 1.34           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 002 |
| 2H12 | 2.36     | 2.67           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
Figure S73 Possible packing model of 2H12, Related to Table 1.
Possible packing model of 2H12 in a lamellar structure.

Figure S74 XRD patterns of 2H16, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
XRD patterns of 2H16 at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 36 °C (1st heating), (c) 65 °C (1st heating), (d) 22 °C (1st cooling), (e) 0 °C (1st cooling), and (f) 27 °C (2nd heating). The XRD patterns of (d–f) exhibit lamellar structures (Figure S75).
Table S4 XRD peaks of 2H16, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.

XRD peaks of 2H16 at (d) 22 °C (1st cooling), (e) 0 °C (1st cooling), and (f) 27 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S74). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (d) 2H16 |                |       |               |     |
| 22 °C (1st cooling) lamellar |
| 1.04     | 6.06           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
| 2.08     | 3.02           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 002 |
| 3.12     | 2.01           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 003 |
| 4.16     | 1.51           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 004 |
| 5.22     | 1.20           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 005 |
| 7.30     | 0.86           | 0.14  | 0.143         | 007 |
| (e) 2H16 |                |       |               |     |
| 0 °C (1st cooling) lamellar |
| 1.05     | 6.00           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
| 2.09     | 3.01           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 002 |
| 3.13     | 2.01           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 003 |
| 4.18     | 1.50           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 004 |
| 5.23     | 1.20           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 005 |
| 6.28     | 1.00           | 0.17  | 0.167         | 006 |
| 7.33     | 0.86           | 0.14  | 0.143         | 007 |
| (f) 2H16 |                |       |               |     |
| 27 °C (2nd heating) lamellar |
| 1.05     | 6.00           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
| 2.09     | 3.01           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 002 |
| 3.13     | 2.01           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 003 |
| 4.17     | 1.51           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 004 |
| 5.22     | 1.20           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 005 |
| 7.33     | 0.86           | 0.14  | 0.143         | 007 |

Figure S75 Possible packing model of 2H16, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
Possible packing model of 2H16 in a lamellar structure.
Figure S76 XRD patterns of 2H2O, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of 2H2O at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 80 °C (1st heating), (c) 45 °C (1st cooling), and (d) 25 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a,c,d) exhibit lamellar structures (Figure S77).

Table S5 XRD peaks of 2H2O, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of 2H2O at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (c) 45 °C (1st cooling), and (d) 25 °C (1st cooling) (Figure S76). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| (a) 2H2O          | q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-------------------|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 25 °C (1st heating) |          |                |       |               |     |
| lamellar          | 0.72     | 8.77           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
|                   | 1.46     | 4.30           | 0.49  | 0.500         | 002 |
|                   | 2.16     | 2.91           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 003 |
|                   | 3.60     | 1.74           | 0.20  | 0.250         | 005 |
|                   | 4.36     | 1.44           | 0.16  | 0.167         | 006 |
| (c) 2H2O          |          |                |       |               |     |
| 45 °C (1st cooling) |          |                |       |               |     |
| lamellar          | 0.92     | 6.83           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
|                   | 1.84     | 3.41           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 002 |
|                   | 2.77     | 2.27           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 003 |
|                   | 3.69     | 1.70           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 004 |
| (d) 2H2O          |          |                |       |               |     |
| 25 °C (1st cooling) |          |                |       |               |     |
| lamellar          | 0.94     | 6.67           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
|                   | 1.87     | 3.37           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 002 |
|                   | 2.80     | 2.24           | 0.34  | 0.333         | 003 |
|                   | 3.75     | 1.67           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 004 |
|                   | 4.71     | 1.33           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 005 |
|                   | 5.62     | 1.12           | 0.17  | 0.167         | 006 |
|                   | 6.58     | 0.95           | 0.14  | 0.143         | 007 |
Figure S77 Possible packing model of 2H20, Related to Table 1.
Possible packing model of 2H20 in a lamellar structure.
Figure S78 XRD patterns of Au8+–Cl–, Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au8+–Cl– at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 150 °C (1st heating), (c) 166 °C (1st heating), (d) 190 °C (1st heating), (e) 80 °C (1st cooling), (f) 25 °C (1st cooling), (g) 80 °C (2nd heating), and (h) 150 °C (2nd heating). The XRD patterns of (a–c,e–g) exhibit Colh structures (Figure S79).
Table S6 XRD peaks of Au8⁺·Cl⁻, Related to Table 1.

XRD peaks of Au8⁺·Cl⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 150 °C (1st heating), (c) 166 °C (1st heating), (e) 80 °C (1st cooling), (f) 25 °C (1st cooling), and (g) 80 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S78). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-sporing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.59     | 2.43           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 4.49     | 1.40           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 5.19     | 1.21           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.86     | 0.92           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 7.77     | 0.81           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.98     | 0.70           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 9.34     | 0.67           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 10.36    | 0.61           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 11.32    | 0.56           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 13.76    | 0.46           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 14.42    | 0.44           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 15.76    | 0.40           | 0.16  | 0.164         | 430 |
| 16.24    | 0.39           | 0.16  | 0.160         | 520 |
| 17.64    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 001 |

(a) Au8⁺·Cl⁻
25 °C (1st heating)
Colh
a = 2.80 nm, c = 0.36 nm
M = 2383.73, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.64

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-sporing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.53     | 2.48           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 4.40     | 1.43           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 5.07     | 1.24           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.71     | 0.94           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 7.60     | 0.83           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.78     | 0.72           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 9.14     | 0.69           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 11.04    | 0.57           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 11.61    | 0.54           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 12.67    | 0.50           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 13.39    | 0.47           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 14.09    | 0.45           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 15.40    | 0.41           | 0.17  | 0.164         | 430 |
| 15.81    | 0.40           | 0.16  | 0.160         | 520 |
| 17.45    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 001 |

(b) Au8⁺·Cl⁻
150 °C (1st heating)
Colh
a = 2.86 nm, c = 0.36 nm
M = 2383.73, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.54

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-sporing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.53     | 2.48           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 4.39     | 1.43           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 5.06     | 1.24           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.70     | 0.94           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 7.59     | 0.83           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.78     | 0.72           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 9.13     | 0.69           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 10.12    | 0.62           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 11.03    | 0.57           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 11.60    | 0.54           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 13.38    | 0.47           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 14.08    | 0.45           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 15.38    | 0.41           | 0.17  | 0.164         | 430 |
| 15.80    | 0.40           | 0.16  | 0.160         | 520 |
| 17.35    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 001 |
Table S6 (Continued)

|        | q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (e) Au⁸⁺-Cl⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 80 °C (1st cooling) | 2.55 | 2.47 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| Colh | 4.42 | 1.42 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 2.85 nm | 5.10 | 1.23 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
|         | 6.74 | 0.93 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
|         | 7.64 | 0.82 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
|         | 8.82 | 0.71 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
|         | 9.17 | 0.69 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| (f) Au⁸⁺-Cl⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 25 °C (1st cooling) | 2.56 | 2.46 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| Colh | 4.42 | 1.42 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 2.85 nm | 5.10 | 1.23 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
|         | 6.74 | 0.93 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
|         | 7.64 | 0.82 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
|         | 8.81 | 0.71 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
|         | 9.18 | 0.68 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| (g) Au⁸⁺-Cl⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 80 °C (2nd heating) | 2.57 | 2.45 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| Colh | 4.44 | 1.41 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 2.83 nm | 5.12 | 1.23 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
|         | 6.74 | 0.93 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
|         | 7.62 | 0.82 | 0.34 | 0.333 | 300 |
|         | 8.80 | 0.71 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
|         | 9.14 | 0.69 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
|         | 10.11 | 0.62 | 0.25 | 0.250 | 400 |

*Z and ρ values are not given due to the unclear height value (c) in the XRD chart.

Figure S79 Possible packing model of Au⁸⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1.
(a) Possible packing model of Au⁸⁺-Cl⁻ in a Colh structure and (b) columnar stacking model of the cationic AuIII complex (shown by geometry-optimized Au0⁺ instead of Au⁸⁺). Porphyrin–AuIII complexes are stacked with the distance of 0.36 nm (001 peak). Diffraction peak at 0.53–0.54 nm can be ascribable to the arrangement of the peripheral aryl rings or coexisting Cl⁻. Arrangement of the anions in the model structure of (a) is not exactly determined.
XRD patterns of $\text{Au}_{12}^{12+}-\text{Cl}^-$ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 90 °C (1st heating), (c) 120 °C (1st heating), (d) 150 °C (1st heating), (e) 170 °C (1st heating), (f) 180 °C (1st heating), (g) 100 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 20 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a–e,g,h) exhibit Coln structures (Figure S82). The broad peak around $d = 1$ nm is partially overlapped with other peaks.

Figure S80 XRD patterns of $\text{Au}_{12}^{12+}-\text{Cl}^-$, Related to Table 1.
Figure S81 XRD patterns of Au$^{12+}$-Cl$^-$, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au$^{12+}$-Cl$^-$ at (i) –60 °C (1st cooling), (j) 20 °C (2nd heating), and (k) 100 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S80). The XRD patterns of (i–k) exhibit Colh structures (Figure S82). The broad peak around $d = 1$ nm is partially overlapped with other peaks.

Table S7 XRD peaks of Au$^{12+}$-Cl$^-$, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of Au$^{12+}$-Cl$^-$ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 90 °C (1st heating), (c) 120 °C (1st heating), (d) 150 °C (1st heating), (e) 170 °C (1st heating), (g) 100 °C (1st cooling), (h) 20 °C (1st cooling), (i) –60 °C (1st cooling), (j) 20 °C (2nd heating), and (k) 100 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S80,81). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.22        | 2.83           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.85        | 1.63           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.44        | 1.42           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.89        | 1.07           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.68        | 0.94           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.71        | 0.81           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| a = 3.27 nm, c = 0.36 nm |     |       |               |     |
| M = 3057.03, Z = 1 for $\rho = 1.54$ |     |       |               |     |
| 8.03        | 0.78           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.90        | 0.71           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.70        | 0.65           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 10.20       | 0.62           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 17.52       | 0.36           | –     | –             | 001 |
| q (nm\(^{-1}\)) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio  | ratio (calc.) | hkl  |
|----------------|--------------|--------|---------------|------|
| 2.21           | 2.84         | 1.00   | 1.000         | 100  |
| 3.82           | 1.65         | 0.58   | 0.577         | 110  |
| 4.42           | 1.42         | 0.50   | 0.500         | 200  |
| 5.84           | 1.08         | 0.38   | 0.378         | 210  |
| 6.62           | 0.95         | 0.33   | 0.333         | 300  |
| 7.64           | 0.82         | 0.29   | 0.289         | 220  |
| 7.96           | 0.79         | 0.28   | 0.277         | 310  |
| 8.83           | 0.71         | 0.25   | 0.250         | 400  |
| 9.62           | 0.65         | 0.23   | 0.229         | 320  |
| 10.11          | 0.62         | 0.22   | 0.218         | 410  |
| 17.30          | 0.36         | –      | –             | 001  |
| 2.20           | 2.86         | 1.00   | 1.000         | 100  |
| 3.81           | 1.65         | 0.58   | 0.577         | 110  |
| 4.40           | 1.43         | 0.50   | 0.500         | 200  |
| 5.82           | 1.08         | 0.38   | 0.378         | 210  |
| 6.60           | 0.95         | 0.33   | 0.333         | 300  |
| 7.62           | 0.82         | 0.29   | 0.289         | 220  |
| 7.93           | 0.79         | 0.28   | 0.277         | 310  |
| 8.79           | 0.71         | 0.25   | 0.250         | 400  |
| 9.58           | 0.66         | 0.23   | 0.229         | 320  |
| 10.07          | 0.62         | 0.22   | 0.218         | 410  |
| 17.18          | 0.37         | –      | –             | 001  |
| 2.18           | 2.89         | 1.00   | 1.000         | 100  |
| 3.77           | 1.66         | 0.58   | 0.577         | 110  |
| 4.36           | 1.44         | 0.50   | 0.500         | 200  |
| 5.75           | 1.09         | 0.38   | 0.378         | 210  |
| 6.53           | 0.96         | 0.33   | 0.333         | 300  |
| 7.54           | 0.83         | 0.29   | 0.289         | 220  |
| 7.85           | 0.80         | 0.28   | 0.277         | 310  |
| 8.70           | 0.72         | 0.25   | 0.250         | 400  |
| 9.49           | 0.66         | 0.23   | 0.229         | 320  |
| 9.97           | 0.63         | 0.22   | 0.218         | 410  |
| 17.29          | 0.36         | –      | –             | 001  |
| 2.19           | 2.87         | 1.00   | 1.000         | 100  |
| 3.79           | 1.66         | 0.58   | 0.577         | 110  |
| 4.37           | 1.44         | 0.50   | 0.500         | 200  |
| 5.78           | 1.09         | 0.38   | 0.378         | 210  |
| 6.55           | 0.96         | 0.33   | 0.333         | 300  |
| 7.55           | 0.83         | 0.29   | 0.289         | 220  |
| 7.87           | 0.80         | 0.28   | 0.277         | 310  |
| 8.72           | 0.72         | 0.25   | 0.250         | 400  |
| 9.51           | 0.67         | 0.23   | 0.229         | 320  |
| 2.15           | 2.92         | 1.00   | 1.000         | 100  |
| 3.74           | 1.68         | 0.58   | 0.577         | 110  |
| 4.33           | 1.45         | 0.50   | 0.500         | 200  |
| 5.72           | 1.10         | 0.38   | 0.378         | 210  |
| 6.49           | 0.97         | 0.33   | 0.333         | 300  |
| 7.50           | 0.84         | 0.29   | 0.289         | 220  |
| 7.79           | 0.81         | 0.28   | 0.277         | 310  |
| 8.66           | 0.73         | 0.25   | 0.250         | 400  |
| 9.42           | 0.67         | 0.23   | 0.229         | 320  |
| 9.91           | 0.63         | 0.22   | 0.218         | 410  |
| 10.82          | 0.58         | 0.20   | 0.200         | 500  |
| 17.80          | 0.35         | –      | –             | 001  |
Table S7 (Continued)

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------|--------------|-------|---------------|-----|
|              |              |       |               |     |
| 2.19         | 2.87         | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.79         | 1.66         | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.38         | 1.43         | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.79         | 1.09         | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.58         | 0.96         | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.60         | 0.83         | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.90         | 0.80         | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.77         | 0.72         | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.51         | 0.66         | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 10.00        | 0.63         | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 10.96        | 0.57         | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 18.13        | 0.35         | –     | –             | 001 |

(h) Au$_{12}^+$-Cl$^-$
20 °C (1st cooling)
Col$_h$

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------|--------------|-------|---------------|-----|
|              |              |       |               |     |
| 2.24         | 2.80         | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.89         | 1.62         | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.48         | 1.40         | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.93         | 1.06         | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.72         | 0.93         | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.77         | 0.81         | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 8.08         | 0.78         | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.96         | 0.70         | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.77         | 0.64         | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 10.25        | 0.61         | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 11.13        | 0.56         | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |

(i) Au$_{12}^+$-Cl$^-$
–60 °C (1st cooling)
Col$_h$

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------|--------------|-------|---------------|-----|
|              |              |       |               |     |
| 2.19         | 2.87         | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.80         | 1.65         | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.40         | 1.43         | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.79         | 1.09         | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.59         | 0.95         | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.58         | 0.83         | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.89         | 0.80         | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.75         | 0.72         | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.53         | 0.66         | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 10.02        | 0.63         | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 10.91        | 0.58         | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 18.14        | 0.35         | –     | –             | 001 |

(j) Au$_{12}^+$-Cl$^-$
20 °C (2nd heating)
Col$_h$

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------|--------------|-------|---------------|-----|
|              |              |       |               |     |
| 2.17         | 2.90         | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.75         | 1.67         | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.34         | 1.45         | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.73         | 1.10         | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.50         | 0.97         | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.50         | 0.84         | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.80         | 0.81         | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.67         | 0.72         | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.43         | 0.67         | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.92         | 0.63         | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 10.83        | 0.58         | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 17.80        | 0.35         | –     | –             | 001 |

(k) Au$_{12}^+$-Cl$^-$
100 °C (2nd heating)
Col$_h$

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------|--------------|-------|---------------|-----|
|              |              |       |               |     |

Z and ρ values are not given due to the unclear height value (c) in the XRD chart. The diffraction peak which corresponds to 001 was observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S83).
Figure S82 Possible packing model of Au12+-Cl−, Related to Table 1.
(a) Possible packing model of Au12+-Cl− in a Colh structure and (b) columnar stacking model of the cationic AuIII complex (shown by geometry-optimized Au0+ instead of Au12+). Porphyrin–AuIII complexes are stacked with the distance of 0.35–0.37 nm (001 peak). Diffraction peak at 0.51–0.55 nm can be ascribable to the arrangement of peripheral aryl rings or coexisting Cl−. Arrangement of the anions in the model structure of (a) is not exactly determined.

Figure S83 Wide-angle XRD of Au12+-Cl−, Related to Table 1.
Wide-angle XRD of Au12+-Cl− at 100 °C (1st cooling). Wide-angle XRD clearly suggests the existence of the diffraction peak at 0.35 nm (Figure S80,81). The diffraction peak at 0.35 nm is derived from the stacking of porphyrin–AuIII complexes in the Colh packing structure (Table S7 and Figure S82).
Figure S84 XRD patterns of Au$^{16+}$-Cl$, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
XRD patterns of Au$^{16+}$-Cl$^-$ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 60 °C (1st heating), (c) 140 °C (1st heating), (d) 100 °C (1st cooling), (e) 35 °C (1st cooling), (f) 32 °C (1st cooling), (g) 10 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 39 °C (2nd heating). The XRD patterns of (b,d–h) exhibit Colh structures (Figure S86). The broad peak around $d = 1$ nm is partially overlapped with other peaks.
Figure S85 XRD patterns of Au16+-Cl–, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.

XRD patterns of Au16+-Cl– at (i) 41 °C (2nd heating) and (j) 60 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S84). The XRD patterns of (i,j) exhibit Colh structures (Figure S86). The broad peak around d = 1 nm is partially overlapped with other peaks.

Table S8 XRD peaks of Au16+-Cl–, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.98     | 3.18           | 1.00  | 1.00          | 100 |
| 3.43     | 1.83           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.96     | 1.59           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.25     | 1.20           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.94     | 1.06           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.86     | 0.92           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.14     | 0.88           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.93     | 0.79           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.63     | 0.73           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.08     | 0.69           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.89     | 0.64           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.28    | 0.61           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.42    | 0.60           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 17.46    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 001 |

(b) Au16+-Cl–

60 °C (1st heating)

Colh

a = 3.67 nm, c = 0.35 nm

M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.48

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.94     | 3.23           | 1.00  | 1.00          | 100 |
| 3.37     | 1.87           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.89     | 1.61           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.15     | 1.22           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.84     | 1.08           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.74     | 0.93           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.02     | 0.90           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.78     | 0.81           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.49     | 0.74           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.91     | 0.71           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.73     | 0.65           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.11    | 0.62           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.29    | 0.61           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 10.83    | 0.58           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 17.65    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 001 |

(d) Au16+-Cl–

100 °C (1st cooling)

Colh

a = 3.73 nm, c = 0.36 nm

M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.44
Table S8 (Continued)

| q (nm\(^{-1}\)) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-----------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.99            | 3.16           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.47            | 1.81           | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.99            | 1.57           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.29            | 1.19           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.00            | 1.05           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.98            | 0.79           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.77            | 0.72           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.16            | 0.69           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.97            | 0.63           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.48           | 0.60           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.64           | 0.59           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 11.22           | 0.56           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 18.04           | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |

(e) Au\(_{16}\)\(^{+}\)Cl\(^{-}\)

| 35 °C (1st cooling) | 32 °C (1st cooling) |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for \(r = 1.55\) | M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for \(r = 1.56\) |

| q (nm\(^{-1}\)) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-----------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.00            | 3.14           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.48            | 1.81           | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.02            | 1.56           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.32            | 1.18           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.03            | 1.04           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.96            | 0.90           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.23            | 0.87           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.02            | 0.78           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.76            | 0.72           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.19            | 0.68           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 10.02           | 0.63           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.42           | 0.60           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.63           | 0.59           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 11.21           | 0.56           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 18.07           | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |

(f) Au\(_{16}\)\(^{+}\)Cl\(^{-}\)

| 32 °C (1st cooling) | 30 °C (1st cooling) |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for \(r = 1.56\) | M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for \(r = 1.57\) |

| q (nm\(^{-1}\)) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-----------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.01            | 3.12           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.49            | 1.80           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.03            | 1.56           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.33            | 1.18           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.03            | 1.04           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.97            | 0.90           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.27            | 0.86           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.06            | 0.78           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.78            | 0.72           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.23            | 0.68           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 10.06           | 0.62           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.48           | 0.60           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.69           | 0.59           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 11.19           | 0.56           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 18.03           | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |

(g) Au\(_{16}\)\(^{+}\)Cl\(^{-}\)

| 10 °C (1st cooling) | 7 °C (1st cooling) |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for \(r = 1.57\) | M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for \(r = 1.58\) |

| q (nm\(^{-1}\)) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-----------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 18.03           | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |
| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.00     | 3.14          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.49     | 1.80          | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.01     | 1.57          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.32     | 1.18          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.06     | 1.04          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.00     | 0.90          | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.22     | 0.87          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.99     | 0.79          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.78     | 0.72          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.16     | 0.69          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.99     | 0.63          | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.53    | 0.60          | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.66    | 0.59          | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 11.25    | 0.56          | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 17.94    | 0.35          | –     | –             | 001 |
| 2.00     | 3.14          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.49     | 1.80          | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.99     | 1.57          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.32     | 1.18          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.99     | 1.05          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.99     | 0.90          | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.22     | 0.87          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.98     | 0.79          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.79     | 0.71          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.16     | 0.69          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.97     | 0.63          | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.48    | 0.60          | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.68    | 0.59          | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 11.29    | 0.56          | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 17.98    | 0.35          | –     | –             | 001 |
| 1.95     | 3.21          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.39     | 1.85          | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.92     | 1.60          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.18     | 1.21          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.88     | 1.07          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.78     | 0.93          | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.06     | 0.89          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.84     | 0.80          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.54     | 0.74          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.97     | 0.70          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.80     | 0.64          | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 10.18    | 0.62          | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 10.35    | 0.61          | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 10.92    | 0.58          | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 17.81    | 0.35          | –     | –             | 001 |

(h) Au₁₆⁺·Cl⁻
39 °C (2nd heating)
Col₃, a = 3.63 nm, c = 0.35 nm
M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for r = 1.55

(i) Au₁₆⁺·Cl⁻
41 °C (2nd heating)
Col₃, a = 3.63 nm, c = 0.35 nm
M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for r = 1.55

(j) Au₁₆⁺·Cl⁻
60 °C (2nd heating)
Col₃, a = 3.71 nm, c = 0.35 nm
M = 3730.33, Z = 1 for r = 1.47

* The diffraction peak which corresponds to 001 was clearly observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S87).
Figure S86 Possible packing model of Au16⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
(a) Possible packing model of Au16⁺-Cl⁻ in a Colₙ structure and (b) columnar stacking model of the cationic AuIII complex (shown by geometry-optimized Au0⁺ instead of Au16⁺). Porphyrin–AuIII complexes are stacked with the distance of 0.35–0.36 nm (001 peak). Diffraction peak at 0.51–0.55 nm can be ascribable to the arrangement of peripheral aryl rings or coexisting Cl⁻. Arrangement of the anions in the model structure of (a) is not exactly determined.

Figure S87 Wide-angle XRD of Au16⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
Wide-angle XRD of Au16⁺-Cl⁻ at 100 °C (1st cooling). Wide-angle XRD clearly suggests the existence of the diffraction peak at 0.36 nm (Figure S84,85). The diffraction peak at 0.36 nm is derived from the stacking of porphyrin–AuIII complexes in the Colₙ packing structure (Table S8 and Figure S86).
Figure S88 XRD patterns of Au20⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au20⁺-Cl⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 62 °C (1st heating), (c) 65 °C (1st heating), (d) 70 °C (1st heating), (e) 130 °C (1st heating), (f) 62 °C (1st cooling), (g) 58 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 54 °C (1st cooling).
The XRD patterns of (a,b) and (c,d,f–h) exhibit lamellar and Colh structures, respectively (Figure S90). The broad peak around $d = 1$ nm is partially overlapped with other peaks.
Figure S89 XRD patterns of Au20⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au20⁺-Cl⁻ at (i) 25 °C (1st cooling), (j) 62 °C (2nd heating), (k) 70 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 100 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S88). The XRD patterns of (i–l) exhibit lamellar and Col₃ structures, respectively (Figure S90). The broad peak around \( d = 1 \) nm is partially overlapped with other peaks.

Table S9 XRD peaks of Au20⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of Au20⁺-Cl⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 62 °C (1st heating), (c) 65 °C (1st heating), (d) 70 °C (1st heating), (f) 62 °C (1st cooling), (g) 58 °C (1st cooling), (h) 54 °C (1st cooling), (i) 25 °C (1st cooling), (j) 62 °C (2nd heating), (k) 70 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 100 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S88,89). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| Temperature (°C) | Lambda (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | Ratio | Ratio (calc) | hkl |
|-----------------|----------------|---------------|-------|--------------|-----|
| (a) Au20⁺-Cl⁻   | 25 °C (1st heating) | 1.70          | 3.70  | 1.00         | 1   |
|                 |                 | 3.39          | 1.85  | 0.50         | 0.500 |
|                 |                 | 5.09          | 1.23  | 0.33         | 0.333 |
|                 |                 | 6.81          | 0.92  | 0.25         | 0.250 |
|                 |                 | 8.67          | 0.72  | 0.20         | 0.200 |
| (b) Au20⁺-Cl⁻   | 62 °C (1st heating) | 1.71          | 3.68  | 1.00         | 1   |
|                 |                 | 3.41          | 1.84  | 0.50         | 0.500 |
|                 |                 | 5.12          | 1.23  | 0.33         | 0.333 |
|                 |                 | 6.84          | 0.92  | 0.25         | 0.250 |
|                 |                 | 8.72          | 0.72  | 0.20         | 0.200 |

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| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.78     | 3.54           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.09     | 2.04           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.56     | 1.77           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.71     | 1.33           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.34     | 1.18           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.19     | 1.02           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.41     | 0.98           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.12     | 0.88           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.76     | 0.81           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.14     | 0.77           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 17.85    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 1.77     | 3.56           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.06     | 2.05           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.53     | 1.78           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.68     | 1.34           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.30     | 1.19           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.12     | 1.03           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.37     | 0.99           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.06     | 0.89           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.70     | 0.82           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.09     | 0.78           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 8.83     | 0.71           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 9.34     | 0.67           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 9.82     | 0.64           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 17.99    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 1.75     | 3.58           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.04     | 2.07           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.50     | 1.79           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.64     | 1.35           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.26     | 1.19           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.09     | 1.03           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.32     | 0.99           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.01     | 0.90           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.64     | 0.82           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.03     | 0.78           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 8.77     | 0.72           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 1.78     | 3.54           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.11     | 2.02           | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.56     | 1.77           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.76     | 1.32           | 0.37  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.35     | 1.17           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.44     | 0.98           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.14     | 0.88           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.85     | 0.80           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.14     | 0.77           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.38     | 0.67           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|---------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.78    | 3.54          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.12    | 2.01          | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.57    | 1.76          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.78    | 1.32          | 0.37  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.36    | 1.17          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.44    | 0.98          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.15    | 0.88          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.84    | 0.80          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.17    | 0.77          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 8.90    | 0.71          | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 9.43    | 0.67          | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 1.80    | 3.49          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.12    | 2.01          | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.60    | 1.74          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.77    | 1.32          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.40    | 1.16          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.50    | 0.97          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.20    | 0.87          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.86    | 0.80          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.23    | 0.76          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 9.02    | 0.70          | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 9.43    | 0.67          | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 1.78    | 3.54          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.14    | 2.00          | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.56    | 1.77          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.80    | 1.31          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.33    | 1.18          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.44    | 0.98          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.12    | 0.88          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.90    | 0.80          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.95    | 0.70          | 0.20  | 0.218         | 500 |
| 9.41    | 0.67          | 0.19  | 0.200         | 420 |
| 1.75    | 3.58          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.04    | 2.07          | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.50    | 1.79          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.64    | 1.35          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.26    | 1.19          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.08    | 1.03          | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.32    | 0.99          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.01    | 0.90          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.64    | 0.82          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.04    | 0.78          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 8.77    | 0.72          | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 9.12    | 0.69          | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 9.28    | 0.68          | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 9.75    | 0.64          | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
The diffraction peak which corresponds to 001 was observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S91).

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.75     | 3.58           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.03     | 2.07           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.50     | 1.79           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 4.63     | 1.36           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.25     | 1.20           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |

(l) Au²⁺-Cl⁻

100 °C (2nd heating)

Col₃

a = 4.14 nm, c = 0.35 nm

M = 4403.62, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.41

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 6.06     | 1.04           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.31     | 1.00           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.00     | 0.90           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 7.63     | 0.82           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.03     | 0.78           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 8.76     | 0.72           | 0.20  | 0.200         | 500 |
| 9.10     | 0.69           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 9.26     | 0.68           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |
| 9.75     | 0.64           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 18.03    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 001 |

* The diffraction peak which corresponds to 001 was observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S91).

Figure S90 Possible packing models of Au²⁺-Cl⁻, Related to Table 1.

Possible packing models of Au²⁺-Cl⁻ in (a) lamellar, (b) Col₃, structures, and (c) columnar stacking model of the cationic Au¹⁻ complex (shown by geometry-optimized Au⁰⁺ instead of Au²⁺⁻). Porphyrin–Au¹⁻ complexes are stacked with the distance of 0.35 nm (001 peak). Diffraction peak at 0.48–0.52 nm can be ascribable to the arrangement of peripheral aryl rings or coexisting Cl⁻. Arrangement of the anions in the model structure of (b) is not exactly determined.
Figure S91 Wide-angle XRD of Au$^{20+}$-Cl$^-$, Related to Table 1.
Wide-angle XRD of Au$^{20+}$-Cl$^-$ at 58 °C (1st cooling). Wide-angle XRD clearly suggests the existence of the diffraction peak at 0.35 nm (Figure S88,89). The diffraction peak at 0.35 nm is derived from the stacking of porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ complexes in the Colh packing structure (Table S9 and Figure S90).
Figure S92 XRD patterns of Au$^{8+}$-BF$_4^-$, Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au$^{8+}$-BF$_4^-$ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 150 °C (1st heating), (c) 190 °C (1st heating), (d) 120 °C (1st cooling), (e) 25 °C (1st cooling), and (f) 150 °C (2nd heating). Complicated peak patterns were obtained for (a,b,d–f), suggesting the highly crystalline states.
Figure S93 XRD patterns of Au$_{12}^{2+}$-BF$_4^-$, Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au$_{12}^{2+}$-BF$_4^-$ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 70 °C (1st heating), (c) –10 °C (1st cooling), (d) –65 °C (1st cooling), and (e) 25 °C (2nd heating). The XRD pattern of (a) exhibits a Col. structure (Figure S94).
Table S10 XRD peaks of Au$^{12+}$-BF$_4^-$, Related to Table 1.

XRD peaks of Au$^{12+}$-BF$_4^-$ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating) (Figure S93). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.00        | 3.15           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 200 |
| 2.08        | 3.03           | 0.96  | 0.962         | 110 |
| 2.68        | 2.34           | 0.74  | 0.739         | 210 |
| 3.07        | 2.05           | 0.65  | 0.667         | 300 |
| 3.99        | 1.58           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 400 |
| 4.18        | 1.50           | 0.48  | 0.481         | 220 |
| 4.74        | 1.33           | 0.42  | 0.424         | 320 |
| 4.85        | 1.29           | 0.41  | 0.400         | 500 |
| 5.98        | 1.05           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 600 |
| 6.82        | 0.92           | 0.29  | 0.295         | 430 |
| 7.96        | 0.79           | 0.25  | 0.254         | 340 |
| 8.34        | 0.75           | 0.24  | 0.241         | 440 |
| 9.48        | 0.66           | 0.21  | 0.208         | 350 |

(a) Au$^{12+}$-BF$_4^-$
25 °C (1st heating)
Col$_r$
a = 6.29 nm, b = 3.45 nm

Figure S94 Possible packing model of Au$^{12+}$-BF$_4^-$, Related to Table 1.
Possible packing model of Au$^{12+}$-BF$_4^-$ in a Col$_r$ structure.
Figure S95 XRD patterns of Au16\(^{+}\)-BF\(_4\)^\(-\), Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au16\(^{+}\)-BF\(_4\)^\(-\) at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 50 °C (1st heating), (c) 100 °C (1st heating), (d) 35 °C (1st cooling), (e) –30 °C (1st cooling), and (f) 45 °C (2nd heating). The XRD patterns of (a) and (b,e,f) exhibit Col\(_1\) and Col\(_i\) structures, respectively (Figure S96).
Table S11 XRD peaks of Au16^-BF4^-, Related to Table 1.

XRD peaks of Au16^-BF4^- at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 50 °C (1st heating), (e) –30 °C (1st cooling), and (f) 45 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S95). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm^-1) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (a) Au16^-BF4^-  
25 °C (1st heating)  
a = 3.22 nm, c = 0.38 nm  
M = 3781.68, Z = 1 for \( \rho = 1.60 \) | 1.95 | 3.22 | 1.00 | 100 |
| 2.73 | 2.30 | 0.72 | 0.707 | 110 |
| 3.91 | 1.61 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 5.54 | 1.13 | 0.35 | 0.354 | 220 |
| 5.88 | 1.07 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 7.39 | 0.85 | 0.26 | 0.250 | 400 |
| 8.68 | 0.72 | 0.22 | 0.224 | 420 |
| 16.49 | 0.38 | – | – | 001 |
| (b) Au16^-BF4^-  
50 °C (1st heating)  
a = 3.78 nm | 1.92 | 3.28 | 1.00 | 100 |
| 3.41 | 1.84 | 0.56 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 3.82 | 1.65 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 5.17 | 1.22 | 0.37 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 6.02 | 1.04 | 0.32 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 6.78 | 0.93 | 0.28 | 0.289 | 220 |
| (e) Au16^-BF4^-  
–30 °C (1st cooling)  
a = 3.61 nm | 2.01 | 3.13 | 1.00 | 100 |
| 3.43 | 1.83 | 0.59 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 3.90 | 1.61 | 0.52 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 5.80 | 1.08 | 0.35 | 0.333 | 300 |
| (f) Au16^-BF4^-  
45 °C (2nd heating)  
a = 3.72 nm | 1.95 | 3.22 | 1.00 | 100 |
| 3.41 | 1.84 | 0.57 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 3.89 | 1.62 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 5.16 | 1.22 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 5.96 | 1.05 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 6.71 | 0.94 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |

* Z and \( \rho \) values are not given due to the unclear height value (c) in XRD chart.

Figure S96 Possible packing models of Au16^-BF4^-, Related to Table 1.

Possible packing models of Au16^-BF4^- in (a) Col and (b) Colh structures. Arrangement of the anions in the model structures of (a) and (b) is not exactly determined.
Figure S97 XRD patterns of Au20\(^{+}\)-BF\(_4\)\(^{-}\), Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.

XRD patterns of Au20\(^{+}\)-BF\(_4\)\(^{-}\) at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 58 °C (1st heating), (c) 66 °C (1st heating), (d) 75 °C (1st heating), (e) 90 °C (1st heating), (f) 110 °C (1st heating), (g) 52 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 35 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a–d,g) and (h) exhibit Col\(_i\) and Col\(_i\) structures, respectively (Figure S99).
Figure S98 XRD patterns of Au20⁺BF₄⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
XRD patterns of Au20⁺BF₄⁻ at (i) –10 °C (1st cooling), (j) 25 °C (2nd heating), (k) 65 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 90 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S97). The XRD patterns of (k) and (i,j) exhibit Colh and Colr structures, respectively (Figure S99).

Table S12 XRD peaks of Au20⁺BF₄⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
XRD peaks of Au20⁺BF₄⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 58 °C (1st heating), (c) 66 °C (1st heating), (d) 75 °C (1st heating), (g) 52 °C (1st cooling), (h) 35 °C (1st cooling), (i) –10 °C (1st cooling), (j) 25 °C (2nd heating), and (k) 65 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S97,98). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 0.98     | 6.44           | 1.00  | 1.00          | 100 |
| 1.70     | 3.70           | 0.57  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 2.06     | 3.05           | 0.47  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 2.69     | 2.34           | 0.36  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 3.05     | 2.06           | 0.32  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 5.09     | 1.23           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 15.90    | 0.40           | –     | –             | –   |

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 0.99     | 6.36           | 1.00  | 1.00          | 100 |
| 1.70     | 3.70           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 2.08     | 3.02           | 0.47  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 2.63     | 2.39           | 0.37  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 3.10     | 2.03           | 0.32  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 5.14     | 1.22           | 0.19  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 15.90    | 0.40           | –     | –             | –   |

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.02     | 6.15           | 1.00  | 1.00          | 100 |
| 1.77     | 3.56           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 2.06     | 3.05           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 2.60     | 2.42           | 0.39  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 3.12     | 2.01           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 5.22     | 1.20           | 0.20  | 0.192         | 330 |
| 14.83    | 0.42           | –     | –             | –   |
Table S12 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
|           | 1.05           | 5.96  | 1.00          | 100 |
|           | 1.75           | 3.58  | 0.60          | 0.577 | 110 |
| (d) Au²⁺BF₄⁻ |
| 75 °C (1st heating) |
| Col. | 2.08           | 3.02  | 0.51          | 0.500 | 200 |
| a = 6.88 nm, c = 0.42 nm | 3.14 | 2.00 | 0.34 | 0.333 | 300 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 2 for \( r = 0.87 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 75 °C (1st heating) |
| Col. | 2.08 | 3.02 | 0.51 | 0.500 | 200 |
| a = 6.88 nm, c = 0.42 nm | 3.14 | 2.00 | 0.34 | 0.333 | 300 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 2 for \( r = 0.87 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 52 °C (1st cooling) |
| Col. | 3.45 | 1.82 | 0.53 | 0.500 | 200 |
| a = 3.98 nm, c = 0.42 nm | 4.65 | 1.35 | 0.39 | 0.378 | 210 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 1 for \( r = 1.30 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 35 °C (1st cooling) |
| Col. | 3.45 | 1.82 | 0.53 | 0.500 | 200 |
| a = 7.26 nm, b = 3.88 nm, c = 0.42 nm | 4.65 | 1.35 | 0.37 | 0.365 | 420 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 2 for \( r = 1.27 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
| –10 °C (1st cooling) |
| Col. | 3.45 | 1.82 | 0.53 | 0.500 | 200 |
| a = 7.30 nm, b = 3.82 nm, c = 0.42 nm | 4.63 | 1.36 | 0.37 | 0.361 | 420 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 2 for \( r = 1.29 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 25 °C (2nd heating) |
| Col. | 3.44 | 1.83 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 400 |
| a = 7.26 nm, b = 3.86 nm, c = 0.42 nm | 4.63 | 1.36 | 0.37 | 0.364 | 420 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 2 for \( r = 1.28 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 65 °C (2nd heating) |
| Col. | 3.46 | 1.82 | 0.53 | 0.500 | 200 |
| a = 3.98 nm, c = 0.41 nm | 4.64 | 1.35 | 0.39 | 0.378 | 210 |
| M = 4454.97, Z = 1 for \( r = 1.31 \) |
| 1.05 | 5.96 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 1.75 | 3.58 | 0.60 | 0.577 | 110 |
Figure S99 Possible packing models of $\text{Au}^{20+}\text{-BF}_4^-$, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.

Possible packing models of $\text{Au}^{20+}\text{-BF}_4^-$ in (a) $\text{Col}_h$ ($Z = 1$) and (b) $\text{Col}_l$ ($c2mm$) structures. The assemblies of $\text{Au}^{20+}\text{-BF}_4^-$ were discussed in detail in the manuscript due to the ambiguous packing modes of $\text{Au}^{8+}\text{-BF}_4^-$, $\text{Au}^{12+}\text{-BF}_4^-$, and $\text{Au}^{16+}\text{-BF}_4^-$. Arrangement of the anions in the model structures of (a) and (b) is not exactly determined.
Figure S100 XRD patterns of Au8+-PF6–, Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au8+-PF6– at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 150 °C (1st heating), (c) 190 °C (1st heating), (d) 130 °C (1st cooling), (e) 25 °C (1st cooling), and (f) 150 °C (2nd heating). Complicated peak patterns were obtained for (a,b,d–f), suggesting the highly crystalline states.
Figure 101 XRD patterns of Au12⁺-PF₆⁻, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au12⁺-PF₆⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 60 °C (1st heating), (c) 80 °C (1st heating), (d) 100 °C (1st heating), (e) 130 °C (1st heating), (f) 100 °C (1st cooling), (g) 50 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 0 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a–d,f–h) exhibit Colab structures (Figure S103).
Figure 102 XRD patterns of Au₁₂⁺PF₆⁻, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au₁₂⁺PF₆⁻ at (i) –70 °C (1st cooling), (j) 25 °C (2nd heating), (k) 60 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 100 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S101). The XRD patterns of (i–l) exhibit Colob structures (Figure S103). XRD pattern at (i) –70 °C shows the sharp diffraction around 0.4 nm derived from frost.

Table S13 XRD peaks of Au₁₂⁺PF₆⁻, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of Au₁₂⁺PF₆⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 60 °C (1st heating), (c) 80 °C (1st heating), (d) 100 °C (1st heating), (f) 100 °C (1st cooling), (g) 50 °C (1st cooling), (h) 0 °C (1st cooling), (i) –70 °C (1st cooling), (j) 25 °C (2nd heating), (k) 60 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 100 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S101, S102). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|---------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.24    | 2.80           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 110 |
| 2.63    | 2.39           | 0.85  | 0.854         | 200 |
| 3.10    | 2.03           | 0.72  | 0.741         | 210 |

(a) Au₁₂⁺PF₆⁻
25 °C (1st heating)
Col₁₀₀
a = 4.80 nm, b = 3.66 nm,
c = 0.73 nm, γ = 94.4°
M = 3166.54, Z = 2 for ρ = 0.82
| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|---------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.19    | 2.87          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 110 |
| 2.62    | 2.40          | 0.84  | 0.837         | 200 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.04    | 2.06          | 0.72  | 0.711         | 210 |
| 3.72    | 1.69          | 0.59  | 0.582         | 020 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 4.00    | 1.57          | 0.55  | 0.558         | 300 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 4.55    | 1.38          | 0.48  | 0.486         | 310 |
| 5.01    | 1.25          | 0.44  | 0.423         | 320 |
| 5.26    | 1.19          | 0.42  | 0.418         | 400 |
| 6.59    | 0.95          | 0.33  | 0.326         | 420 |
| 8.50    | 0.74          | –     | –             | 001 |
| (b) Au₁₂⁺⁺⁻PF₆⁻ \*(d) | 2.17    | 2.90  | 1.00          | 110 |
| 2.62    | 2.40          | 0.83  | 0.828         | 200 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.04    | 2.06          | 0.71  | 0.710         | 210 |
| 3.71    | 1.70          | 0.59  | 0.586         | 020 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.99    | 1.58          | 0.54  | 0.545         | 030 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 4.30    | 1.46          | 0.50  | 0.503         | 220 |
| 4.66    | 1.35          | 0.47  | 0.466         | 310 |
| 4.94    | 1.27          | 0.44  | 0.438         | 220 |
| 5.17    | 1.22          | 0.42  | 0.421         | 400 |
| 8.66    | 0.73          | –     | –             | 001 |
| (c) Au₁₂⁺⁺⁻PF₆⁻ \*(c) | 2.17    | 2.90  | 1.00          | 110 |
| 2.62    | 2.40          | 0.83  | 0.828         | 200 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.01    | 2.09          | 0.72  | 0.710         | 210 |
| 3.76    | 1.67          | 0.58  | 0.580         | 020 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.63    | 1.60          | 0.55  | 0.552         | 030 |
| 4.18    | 1.50          | 0.52  | 0.520         | 310 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 4.31    | 1.46          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 220 |
| 4.45    | 1.41          | 0.49  | 0.479         | 310 |
| 4.67    | 1.34          | 0.46  | 0.453         | 220 |
| 5.15    | 1.22          | 0.42  | 0.414         | 400 |
| 6.47    | 1.15          | 0.40  | 0.386         | 030 |
| 6.25    | 1.01          | 0.35  | 0.337         | 230 |
| 6.62    | 0.95          | 0.33  | 0.328         | 510 |
| 8.66    | 0.73          | –     | –             | 001 |
| (d) Au₁₂⁺⁺⁻PF₆⁻ \*(d) | 2.18    | 2.89  | 1.00          | 110 |
| 2.60    | 2.41          | 0.84  | 0.836         | 200 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 2.96    | 2.12          | 0.73  | 0.717         | 210 |
| 3.76    | 1.67          | 0.58  | 0.569         | 020 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.95    | 1.59          | 0.55  | 0.557         | 030 |
| 4.19    | 1.50          | 0.52  | 0.519         | 120 |
| 8.52    | 0.74          | –     | –             | 001 |
| (f) Au₁₂⁺⁺⁻PF₆⁻ \*(f) | 2.19    | 2.87  | 1.00          | 110 |
| 2.63    | 2.39          | 0.83  | 0.833         | 200 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 3.04    | 2.07          | 0.72  | 0.706         | 020 |
| 3.72    | 1.69          | 0.59  | 0.587         | 220 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 4.00    | 1.57          | 0.55  | 0.548         | 310 |
|         |               |       |               |     |
| 4.56    | 1.38          | 0.48  | 0.473         | 130 |
| 5.01    | 1.25          | 0.44  | 0.435         | 130 |
| 6.59    | 0.95          | 0.33  | 0.336         | 110 |
| 8.51    | 0.74          | –     | –             | 001 |
Table S13 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.28     | 2.76          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 1'10|
| 2.64     | 2.38          | 0.86  | 0.862         | 200 |
|          |               |       |               |     |
| (h) Au¹²⁺–PF₆⁻ |     |       |               |     |
| 0 °C (1st cooling) |     |       |               |     |
| a = 4.76 nm, b = 3.30 nm, c = 0.73 nm, γ = 92.2° |     |       |               |     |
| M = 3166.54, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.92 |     |       |               |     |
| 2.28     | 2.76          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 1'10|
| 2.64     | 2.38          | 0.86  | 0.862         | 200 |
|          |               |       |               |     |
|          |               |       |               |     |
| (i) Au¹²⁺–PF₆⁻ |     |       |               |     |
| ~70 °C (1st cooling) |     |       |               |     |
| a = 4.83 nm, b = 3.22 nm, c = 0.71 nm, γ = 92.4° |     |       |               |     |
| M = 3166.54, Z = 2 for ρ = 0.96 |     |       |               |     |
| 2.39     | 2.63          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 110 |
| 2.60     | 2.41          | 0.92  | 0.918         | 200 |
|          |               |       |               |     |
|          |               |       |               |     |
| (j) Au¹²⁺–PF₆⁻ |     |       |               |     |
| 25 °C (2nd heating) |     |       |               |     |
| a = 5.62 nm, b = 2.77 nm, c = 0.72 nm, γ = 95.2° |     |       |               |     |
| M = 3166.54, Z = 2 for ρ = 0.95 |     |       |               |     |
| 2.24     | 2.80          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 200 |
| 2.63     | 2.39          | 0.85  | 0.854         | 110 |
|          |               |       |               |     |
|          |               |       |               |     |
| (k) Au¹²⁺–PF₆⁻ |     |       |               |     |
| 60 °C (2nd heating) |     |       |               |     |
| a = 4.87 nm, b = 4.11 nm, c = 0.73 nm, γ = 99.6° |     |       |               |     |
| M = 3166.54, Z = 2 for ρ = 0.73 |     |       |               |     |
| 2.19     | 2.87          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 110 |
| 2.62     | 2.40          | 0.84  | 0.837         | 200 |
|          |               |       |               |     |
|          |               |       |               |     |
| (l) Au¹²⁺–PF₆⁻ |     |       |               |     |
| 100 °C (2nd heating) |     |       |               |     |
| a = 4.85 nm, b = 3.31 nm, c = 0.73 nm, γ = 98.0° |     |       |               |     |
| M = 3166.54, Z = 2 for ρ = 0.73 |     |       |               |     |
| 2.17     | 2.90          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 110 |
| 2.62     | 2.40          | 0.83  | 0.828         | 200 |
|          |               |       |               |     |
|          |               |       |               |     |
Possible packing models of Au12\textsuperscript{+}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{−} in a Col\textsubscript{ob} structure.

XRD patterns of Au16\textsuperscript{+}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{−} at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 31 °C (1st heating), (c) 60 °C (1st heating), and (d) –30 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a,b) and (d) exhibit Col\textsubscript{h} and lamellar structures, respectively (Figure S105).

| q (nm\textsuperscript{-1}) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (a) Au16\textsuperscript{+}-PF\textsubscript{6}\textsuperscript{−} |
| 2.00                     | 3.15           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.46                     | 1.82           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.98                     | 1.58           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.97                     | 1.05           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.61                     | 0.73           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.05                     | 0.69           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 11.06                    | 0.57           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
Table S14 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.00     | 3.15           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.46     | 1.82           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.98     | 1.58           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.97     | 1.05           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.60     | 0.73           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.08     | 0.69           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 10.99    | 0.57           | 0.18  | 0.180         | 510 |
| 2.02     | 3.11           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 001 |
| 3.96     | 1.59           | 0.51  | 0.500         | 002 |

a Z and ρ values are not given due to the unclear height value (c) in XRD chart.

Figure S105 Possible packing models of Au₁₆⁺-PF₆⁻. Related to Table 1. Possible packing models of Au₁₆⁺-PF₆⁻ in (a) Col₃, and (b) lamellar structures.
Figure S106 XRD patterns of Au20\(^+\)-PF\(_6^-\), Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au20\(^+\)-PF\(_6^-\) at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 52 °C (1st heating), (c) 80 °C (1st heating), and (d) 25 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a,b) and (d) exhibit Col. and lamellar structures, respectively (Figure S107).
Table S15 XRD peaks of Au20⁺-PF6⁻, Related to Table 1.

XRD peaks of Au20⁺-PF6⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 52 °C (1st heating), and (d) 25 °C (1st cooling) (Figure S106). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|---------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (a) Au20⁺-PF6⁻ |
| 25 °C (1st heating) | a = 14.37 nm, b = 13.54 nm |
| 0.64 | 9.86 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 110 |
| 0.87 | 7.19 | 0.73 | 0.729 | 200 |
| 1.27 | 4.95 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 220 |
| 1.79 | 3.51 | 0.36 | 0.352 | 410 |
| 2.61 | 2.41 | 0.24 | 0.246 | 530 |
| 3.18 | 1.98 | 0.20 | 0.198 | 640 |
| 3.55 | 1.77 | 0.18 | 0.181 | 810 |
| (b) Au20⁺-PF6⁻ |
| 52 °C (1st heating) | a = 14.37 nm, b = 13.54 nm |
| 0.64 | 9.86 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 110 |
| 0.87 | 7.19 | 0.73 | 0.729 | 200 |
| 1.27 | 4.95 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 220 |
| 1.79 | 3.51 | 0.36 | 0.352 | 410 |
| 2.61 | 2.41 | 0.24 | 0.246 | 530 |
| 3.25 | 1.93 | 0.20 | 0.198 | 640 |
| 3.55 | 1.77 | 0.18 | 0.181 | 810 |
| (d) Au20⁺-PF6⁻ |
| 25 °C (1st cooling) |
| 1.77 | 3.56 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 001 |
| 3.51 | 1.79 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 002 |

\(^2\)Z and ν values are not given due to the unclear height value (c) in XRD chart.

Figure S107 Possible packing models of Au20⁺-PF6⁻, Related to Table 1.

Possible packing models of Au20⁺-PF6⁻ in (a) Col and (b) lamellar structures.
Figure S108 XRD patterns of Au$^8^+$-PCCp$^-$, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au$^8^+$-PCCp$^-$ at 25 °C (1st heating). The XRD pattern exhibits a Col, structure (Figure S109).

Table S16 XRD peaks of Au$^8^+$-PCCp$^-$, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of Au$^8^+$-PCCp$^-$ at 25 °C (1st heating) (Figure S108). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.79         | 2.25           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 110 |
| 3.07         | 2.05           | 0.91  | 0.908         | 200 |
| 4.63         | 1.36           | 0.60  | 0.599         | 020 |
| 5.16         | 1.22           | 0.54  | 0.540         | 310 |
| 5.57         | 1.13           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 220 |
| 6.14         | 1.02           | 0.45  | 0.454         | 400 |
| 7.12         | 0.88           | 0.39  | 0.390         | 130 |
| 7.70         | 0.82           | 0.36  | 0.366         | 230 |
| 8.02         | 0.78           | 0.35  | 0.348         | 510 |
| 8.35         | 0.75           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 330 |
| 9.19         | 0.68           | –     | –             | 001 |

Figure S109 Possible packing model of Au$^8^+$-PCCp$^-$, Related to Table 1.
Possible packing model of Au$^8^+$-PCCp$^-$ in a Col, (p2gg) structure.
Figure S110 XRD patterns of Au12^+-PCCp^−, Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au12^+-PCCp^− at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 100 °C (1st heating), (c) 300 °C (1st heating), (d) 25 °C (1st cooling), (e) –20 °C (1st cooling), (f) 100 °C (2nd heating), (g) 200 °C (2nd heating), and (h) 300 °C (2nd heating). The XRD patterns of (a,e) and (b–d,f–h) exhibit Col₄ and Col₅ structures, respectively (Figure S111).
Table S17 XRD peaks of Au\textsuperscript{12\textsuperscript{+}}-PCCp\textsuperscript{−}, Related to Table 1.

XRD peaks of Au\textsuperscript{12\textsuperscript{+}}-PCCp\textsuperscript{−} at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 100 °C (1st heating), (c) 300 °C (1st heating), (d) 25 °C (1st cooling), (e) −20 °C (1st cooling), (f) 100 °C (2nd heating), (g) 200 °C (2nd heating), and (h) 300 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S110). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.\textsuperscript{a}

| q (nm\textsuperscript{−1}) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|--------------------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| a) Au\textsuperscript{12\textsuperscript{+}}-PCCp\textsuperscript{−} | | | | |
| 25 °C (1st heating) | \(a = 4.31\) nm, \(b = 2.77\) nm, \(c = 0.80\) nm | | | |
| | \(M = 3211.72\), \(Z = 2\) for \(\rho = 1.10\) | | | |
| 2.27 | 2.77 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 010 |
| 2.69 | 2.33 | 0.84 | 0.841 | 110 |
| 2.92 | 2.15 | 0.78 | 0.778 | 200 |
| 3.53 | 1.78 | 0.64 | 0.614 | 210 |
| 4.35 | 1.45 | 0.52 | 0.519 | 300 |
| 4.54 | 1.38 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 020 |
| 5.28 | 1.19 | 0.43 | 0.421 | 220 |
| 6.37 | 0.99 | 0.36 | 0.360 | 320 |
| 7.05 | 0.89 | 0.32 | 0.326 | 130 |
| 7.82 | 0.80 | - | - | 001 |
| 8.61 | 0.73 | 0.26 | 0.264 | 520 |
| 9.26 | 0.68 | 0.24 | 0.247 | 140 |
| 10.57 | 0.59 | 0.21 | 0.210 | 440 |
| 12.80 | 0.49 | 0.18 | 0.178 | 450 |

| b) Au\textsuperscript{12\textsuperscript{+}}-PCCp\textsuperscript{−} | | | | |
| 100 °C (1st heating) | \(a = 2.99\) nm, \(c = 0.69\) nm | | | |
| | \(M = 3211.72\), \(Z = 1\) for \(\rho = 0.99\) | | | |
| 2.42 | 2.59 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 4.20 | 1.50 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 4.85 | 1.29 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 6.42 | 0.98 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 7.27 | 0.86 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 8.41 | 0.75 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| 8.75 | 0.72 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| 9.05 | 0.69 | - | - | 001 |
| 9.68 | 0.65 | 0.25 | 0.250 | 400 |
| 10.56 | 0.60 | 0.23 | 0.229 | 320 |
| 18.10 | 0.35 | - | - | 002 |

| c) Au\textsuperscript{12\textsuperscript{+}}-PCCp\textsuperscript{−} | | | | |
| 300 °C (1st heating) | \(a = 3.09\) nm, \(c = 0.71\) nm | | | |
| | \(M = 3211.72\), \(Z = 1\) for \(\rho = 0.91\) | | | |
| 2.35 | 2.68 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 4.08 | 1.54 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 4.71 | 1.33 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 6.23 | 1.01 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 7.06 | 0.89 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 8.15 | 0.77 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| 8.48 | 0.74 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| 8.84 | 0.71 | - | - | 001 |
| 9.40 | 0.67 | 0.25 | 0.250 | 400 |
| 10.24 | 0.61 | 0.23 | 0.229 | 320 |
| 17.68 | 0.36 | - | - | 002 |

| d) Au\textsuperscript{12\textsuperscript{+}}-PCCp\textsuperscript{−} | | | | |
| 25 °C (1st cooling) | \(a = 2.87\) nm, \(c = 0.69\) nm | | | |
| | \(M = 3211.72\), \(Z = 1\) for \(\rho = 1.09\) | | | |
| 2.53 | 2.49 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| 4.37 | 1.44 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| 5.05 | 1.25 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| 6.68 | 0.94 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 7.58 | 0.83 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 8.76 | 0.72 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| 9.14 | 0.69 | - | - | 001 |
| 18.25 | 0.34 | - | - | 002 |
Table S17 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio    | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|----------|---------------|-----|
| 2.35     | 2.68           | 1.00     | 1.000         | 110 |
| 2.62     | 2.40           | 0.90     | 0.897         | 200 |
| 4.04     | 1.55           | 0.58     | 0.571         | 120 |
| 4.64     | 1.35           | 0.51     | 0.500         | 220 |
| 5.97     | 1.05           | 0.39     | 0.392         | 130 |
| 6.40     | 0.98           | 0.37     | 0.360         | 420 |
| 7.40     | 0.85           | 0.32     | 0.308         | 520 |
| 8.04     | 0.78           | 0.29     | 0.285         | 240 |
| 9.21     | 0.68           | –        | –             | 001 |
| 2.48     | 2.53           | 1.00     | 1.000         | 100 |
| 4.29     | 1.46           | 0.58     | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.96     | 1.27           | 0.50     | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.55     | 0.96           | 0.38     | 0.378         | 210 |
| 7.43     | 0.85           | 0.33     | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.59     | 0.73           | 0.29     | 0.289         | 220 |
| 9.08     | 0.69           | –        | –             | 001 |
| 9.89     | 0.64           | 0.25     | 0.250         | 400 |
| 10.77    | 0.58           | 0.23     | 0.229         | 320 |
| 18.10    | 0.35           | –        | –             | 002 |
| 2.42     | 2.59           | 1.00     | 1.000         | 100 |
| 4.20     | 1.50           | 0.58     | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.84     | 1.30           | 0.50     | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.41     | 0.98           | 0.38     | 0.378         | 210 |
| 7.27     | 0.88           | 0.33     | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.40     | 0.75           | 0.29     | 0.289         | 220 |
| 8.74     | 0.72           | 0.28     | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.96     | 0.70           | –        | –             | 001 |
| 9.67     | 0.65           | 0.25     | 0.250         | 400 |
| 10.56    | 0.60           | 0.23     | 0.229         | 320 |
| 17.92    | 0.35           | –        | –             | 002 |
| 2.38     | 2.64           | 1.00     | 1.000         | 100 |
| 4.12     | 1.52           | 0.58     | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.75     | 1.32           | 0.50     | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.29     | 1.00           | 0.38     | 0.378         | 210 |
| 7.13     | 0.88           | 0.33     | 0.333         | 300 |
| 8.24     | 0.76           | 0.29     | 0.289         | 220 |
| 8.58     | 0.73           | 0.28     | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.84     | 0.71           | –        | –             | 001 |
| 9.48     | 0.66           | 0.25     | 0.250         | 400 |
| 10.33    | 0.61           | 0.23     | 0.229         | 320 |
| 17.68    | 0.36           | –        | –             | 002 |

(a) The diffraction peaks which corresponded to 002, 003, and 004 were observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S112).
Figure S111 Possible packing models of Au$^{12+}$-PCC$^-$, Related to Table 1.
Possible packing models of Au$^{12+}$-PCC$^-$ in (a) Col$_r$ and (b) Col$_h$ structures.

Figure S112 Wide-angle XRD of Au$^{12+}$-PCC$^-$, Related to Table 1.
Wide-angle XRD of Au$^{12+}$-PCC$^-$ at 200 °C (1st cooling). The diffraction peak at 0.70 nm is derived from the alternate stacking of porphyrin–Au$^{III}$ complex and PCC$^-$ in the Col$_h$ packing structure (Table S17 and Figure S110,111). Highly ordered charge-by-charge assembly affords higher-order diffractions derived from (001) peak.
Figure S113 XRD patterns of Au16\(^{+}\)-PCCp\(^{-}\), Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.

XRD patterns of Au16\(^{+}\)-PCCp\(^{-}\) at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 48 °C (1st heating), (c) 100 °C (1st heating), (d) 280 °C (1st heating), (e) 330 °C (1st heating), (f) 280 °C (1st cooling), (g) 200 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 100 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a–d,f–h) exhibit Col\(_h\) structures (Figure S115).
Figure S114 XRD patterns of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
XRD patterns of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ at (i) 0 °C (1st cooling), (j) 100 °C (2nd heating), (k) 200 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 280 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S113). The XRD patterns of (i–l) exhibit Colₜ structures (Figure S115).

Table S18 XRD peaks of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
XRD peaks of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 48 °C (1st heating), (c) 100 °C (1st heating), (d) 280 °C (1st heating), (f) 280 °C (1st cooling), (g) 200 °C (1st cooling), (h) 100 °C (1st cooling), (i) 0 °C (1st cooling), (j) 100 °C (2nd heating), (k) 200 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 280 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S113,114). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

| `q (nm⁻¹)` | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|-------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.23        | 2.81           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.95        | 1.59           | 0.56  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.47        | 1.41           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 6.07        | 1.04           | 0.37  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.72        | 0.93           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.68        | 0.82           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.97        | 0.79           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.97        | 0.70           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.26        | 0.68           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 9.93        | 0.63           | 0.22  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 10.48       | 0.60           | 0.21  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 11.86       | 0.53           | 0.19  | 0.189         | 420 |

(a) Au16⁺-PCCp⁻
25 °C (1st heating)
Colₜ
a = 3.25 nm, c = 0.68 nm
M = 3885.02, Z = 1 for \(\rho = 1.04\)
Table S18 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.19     | 2.87           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.80     | 1.65           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.38     | 1.43           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.80     | 1.08           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.56     | 0.96           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.59     | 0.83           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.89     | 0.80           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.75     | 0.72           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.15     | 0.69           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 18.22    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 002 |

(b) Au₁₆⁺⁻PCCp⁻
48 °C (1st heating)
Colh
\(a = 3.32 \text{ nm}, \ c = 0.69 \text{ nm}\)
\(M = 3885.02, \ Z = 1 \text{ for } \rho = 0.99\)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.19     | 2.92           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.74     | 1.68           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.33     | 1.45           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.72     | 1.10           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.49     | 0.97           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.49     | 0.84           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.79     | 0.81           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.65     | 0.73           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 9.10     | 0.69           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 9.39     | 0.67           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.87     | 0.64           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 18.14    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 002 |

(c) Au₁₆⁺⁻PCCp⁻
100 °C (1st heating)
Colh
\(a = 3.37 \text{ nm}, \ c = 0.69 \text{ nm}\)
\(M = 3885.02, \ Z = 1 \text{ for } \rho = 0.95\)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.09     | 3.01           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.62     | 1.74           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.18     | 1.50           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.53     | 1.14           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.26     | 1.00           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.23     | 0.87           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.52     | 0.84           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.34     | 0.75           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.89     | 0.71           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 9.06     | 0.69           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.51     | 0.66           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 17.71    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 002 |

(d) Au₁₆⁺⁻PCCp⁻
280 °C (1st heating)
Colh
\(a = 3.48 \text{ nm}, \ c = 0.71 \text{ nm}\)
\(M = 3885.02, \ Z = 1 \text{ for } \rho = 0.87\)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.10     | 2.99           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.64     | 1.73           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.20     | 1.50           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.56     | 1.13           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.31     | 1.00           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.26     | 0.87           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.58     | 0.83           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.41     | 0.75           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.88     | 0.71           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 9.13     | 0.69           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.62     | 0.65           | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 17.71    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 002 |

(f) Au₁₆⁻⁻PCCp⁻
280 °C (1st cooling)
Colh
\(a = 3.46 \text{ nm}, \ c = 0.71 \text{ nm}\)
\(M = 3885.02, \ Z = 1 \text{ for } \rho = 0.88\)
Table S18 (Continued)

|          | q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (g) Au₁₆⁻·PCCₚ⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 200 °C (1st cooling) |          |                |       |               |     |
| Colh     |          |                |       |               |     |
| a = 3.40 nm, c = 0.70 nm |          |                |       |               |     |
| M = 3885.02, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.92 |          |                |       |               |     |
| 6.40     | 0.98     | 0.33           | 0.333 | 300           |     |
| 7.37     | 0.85     | 0.29           | 0.289 | 220           |     |
| 7.68     | 0.82     | 0.28           | 0.277 | 310           |     |
| 8.53     | 0.74     | 0.25           | 0.250 | 400           |     |
| 8.97     | 0.70     | –              | –     | 001           |     |
| 9.26     | 0.68     | 0.23           | 0.229 | 320           |     |
| 9.76     | 0.64     | 0.22           | 0.218 | 410           |     |
| 17.93    | 0.35     | –              | –     | 002           |     |
| (h) Au₁₆⁻·PCCₚ⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 100 °C (1st cooling) |          |                |       |               |     |
| Colh     |          |                |       |               |     |
| a = 3.33 nm, c = 0.69 nm |          |                |       |               |     |
| M = 3885.02, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.97 |          |                |       |               |     |
| 6.55     | 0.96     | 0.33           | 0.333 | 300           |     |
| 7.57     | 0.83     | 0.29           | 0.289 | 220           |     |
| 7.87     | 0.80     | 0.28           | 0.277 | 310           |     |
| 8.74     | 0.72     | 0.25           | 0.250 | 400           |     |
| 9.10     | 0.69     | –              | –     | 001           |     |
| 9.48     | 0.66     | 0.23           | 0.229 | 320           |     |
| 10.00    | 0.63     | 0.22           | 0.218 | 410           |     |
| 18.13    | 0.35     | –              | –     | 002           |     |
| (i) Au₁₆⁻·PCCₚ⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 0 °C (1st cooling) |          |                |       |               |     |
| Colh     |          |                |       |               |     |
| a = 3.14 nm, c = 0.67 nm |          |                |       |               |     |
| M = 3885.02, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.12 |          |                |       |               |     |
| 6.66     | 0.90     | 0.33           | 0.333 | 300           |     |
| 7.80     | 0.81     | 0.30           | 0.289 | 220           |     |
| 8.22     | 0.77     | 0.28           | 0.277 | 310           |     |
| (j) Au₁₆⁻·PCCₚ⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 100 °C (2nd heating) |          |                |       |               |     |
| Colh     |          |                |       |               |     |
| a = 3.33 nm, c = 0.69 nm |          |                |       |               |     |
| M = 3885.02, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.97 |          |                |       |               |     |
| 6.54     | 0.96     | 0.33           | 0.333 | 300           |     |
| 7.55     | 0.83     | 0.29           | 0.289 | 220           |     |
| 7.87     | 0.80     | 0.28           | 0.277 | 310           |     |
| 8.74     | 0.72     | 0.25           | 0.250 | 400           |     |
| 9.08     | 0.69     | –              | –     | 001           |     |
| 9.47     | 0.66     | 0.23           | 0.229 | 320           |     |
| 9.94     | 0.63     | 0.22           | 0.218 | 410           |     |
| 18.14    | 0.35     | –              | –     | 002           |     |
| (k) Au₁₆⁻·PCCₚ⁻ |          |                |       |               |     |
| 200 °C (2nd heating) |          |                |       |               |     |
| Colh     |          |                |       |               |     |
| a = 3.40 nm, c = 0.70 nm |          |                |       |               |     |
| M = 3885.02, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.92 |          |                |       |               |     |
| 6.40     | 0.98     | 0.33           | 0.333 | 300           |     |
| 7.37     | 0.85     | 0.29           | 0.289 | 220           |     |
| 7.69     | 0.82     | 0.28           | 0.277 | 310           |     |
| 8.53     | 0.74     | 0.25           | 0.250 | 400           |     |
| 8.97     | 0.70     | –              | –     | 001           |     |
| 9.26     | 0.68     | 0.23           | 0.229 | 320           |     |
| 9.76     | 0.64     | 0.22           | 0.218 | 410           |     |
| 17.90    | 0.35     | –              | –     | 002           |     |
Table S18 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|---------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 2.10    | 2.99          | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.64    | 1.73          | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 4.20    | 1.50          | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.55    | 1.13          | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 6.31    | 1.00          | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 7.27    | 0.86          | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.58    | 0.83          | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.41    | 0.75          | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.87    | 0.71          | –     | –             | 001 |
| 9.14    | 0.69          | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 9.61    | 0.65          | 0.22  | 0.218         | 410 |
| 18.71   | 0.36          | –     | –             | 002 |

* The diffraction peaks which corresponded to 002, 003, and 004 were observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S116).

Figure S115 Possible packing model of Au₁₆⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
Possible packing model of Au₁₆⁺-PCCp⁻ in a Col₉ structure.

Figure S116 Wide-angle XRD of Au₁₆⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1 and Figure 8.
Wide-angle XRD of Au₁₆⁺-PCCp⁻ at 280 °C (1st cooling). The diffraction peak at 0.70 nm is derived from the alternate stacking of porphyrin–Au³⁺ complex and PCCp⁻ in the Col₉ packing structure (Table S18 and Figure S113–115). Highly ordered charge-by-charge assembly affords higher-order diffractions derived from (001) peak.
Figure S117 XRD patterns of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1.

XRD patterns of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 100 °C (1st heating), (c) 200 °C (1st heating), (d) 250 °C (1st heating), (e) 280 °C (1st heating), (f) 250 °C (1st cooling), (g) 200 °C (1st cooling), and (h) 100 °C (1st cooling). The XRD patterns of (a–d,f–h) exhibit Colh structure (Figure S119).
Figure S118 XRD patterns of Au20+-PCCp–, Related to Table 1.
XRD patterns of Au20+-PCCp– at (i) 25 °C (1st cooling), (j) 100 °C (2nd heating), (k) 200 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 250 °C (2nd heating) (Figure labels are continued from Figure S117). The XRD patterns of (i) and (j–l) exhibit Colr and Colh structures, respectively (Figure S119).

Table S19 XRD peaks of Au20+-PCCp–, Related to Table 1.
XRD peaks of Au20+-PCCp– at (a) 25 °C (1st heating), (b) 100 °C (1st heating), (c) 200 °C (1st heating), (d) 250 °C (1st heating), (e) 25 °C (1st cooling), (f) 250 °C (1st cooling), (g) 200 °C (1st cooling), (h) 100 °C (1st cooling), (i) 25 °C (1st cooling), (j) 100 °C (2nd heating), (k) 200 °C (2nd heating), and (l) 250 °C (2nd heating) (Figure S117,118). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.†

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (a) Au20+-PCCp– 25 °C (1st heating) | 2.14 | 2.94 | 1.00 | 100 |
| Colh | 3.75 | 1.67 | 0.57 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 3.39 nm, c = 0.67 nm | 4.27 | 1.47 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for ρ = 1.14 | 5.74 | 1.10 | 0.37 | 0.378 | 210 |
| | 6.40 | 0.98 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| | 7.27 | 0.86 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| | 7.77 | 0.81 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| | 9.41 | 0.67 | – | – | 001 |
| (b) Au20+-PCCp– 100 °C (1st heating) | 1.97 | 3.19 | 1.00 | 100 |
| Colh | 3.42 | 1.83 | 0.57 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 3.69 nm, c = 0.69 nm | 3.95 | 1.59 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.93 | 5.93 | 1.06 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| | 6.85 | 0.92 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| | 7.12 | 0.88 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| | 7.90 | 0.80 | 0.25 | 0.250 | 400 |
| | 8.61 | 0.73 | 0.23 | 0.229 | 320 |
| | 9.11 | 0.69 | – | – | 001 |
| | 18.14 | 0.35 | – | – | 002 |
| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.93     | 3.25           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.35     | 1.88           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.86     | 1.63           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.11     | 1.23           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.79     | 1.08           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.70     | 0.94           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.97     | 0.90           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.72     | 0.81           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.42     | 0.75           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.96     | 0.70           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 17.90    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 002 |

(c) Au²⁺-PCCp⁺

200 °C (1st heating)

Colh

a = 3.75 nm, c = 0.70 nm

M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.89

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.91     | 3.29           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.31     | 1.90           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.83     | 1.64           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.06     | 1.24           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.74     | 1.10           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.63     | 0.95           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.90     | 0.91           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 7.65     | 0.82           | 0.25  | 0.250         | 400 |
| 8.34     | 0.75           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.91     | 0.71           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 17.80    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 002 |

(d) Au²⁺-PCCp⁺

250 °C (1st heating)

Colh

a = 3.79 nm, c = 0.71 nm

M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.86

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.93     | 3.25           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.36     | 1.87           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.86     | 1.63           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.11     | 1.23           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.79     | 1.08           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.71     | 0.94           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 6.97     | 0.90           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.42     | 0.75           | 0.23  | 0.229         | 320 |
| 8.87     | 0.71           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 17.69    | 0.36           | –     | –             | 002 |

(e) Au²⁺-PCCp⁺

250 °C (1st cooling)

Colh

a = 3.75 nm, c = 0.71 nm

M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.86

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.96     | 3.21           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.38     | 1.86           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.90     | 1.61           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.16     | 1.22           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 5.85     | 1.07           | 0.33  | 0.333         | 300 |
| 6.75     | 0.93           | 0.29  | 0.289         | 220 |
| 7.05     | 0.89           | 0.28  | 0.277         | 310 |
| 8.96     | 0.70           | –     | –             | 001 |
| 17.89    | 0.35           | –     | –             | 002 |

(f) Au²⁺-PCCp⁺

200 °C (1st cooling)

Colh

a = 3.71 nm, c = 0.70 nm

M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for ρ = 0.91

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| 1.99     | 3.16           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 100 |
| 3.45     | 1.82           | 0.58  | 0.577         | 110 |
| 3.99     | 1.58           | 0.50  | 0.500         | 200 |
| 5.26     | 1.19           | 0.38  | 0.378         | 210 |
| 9.18     | 0.68           | –     | –             | 001 |
Table S19 (Continued)

| q (nm⁻¹) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|----------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| (i) Au²⁺-PCCp⁻ |
| 25 °C (1st cooling) | 1.91 | 3.29 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 200 |
| Col. (c2mm) | 2.15 | 2.92 | 0.89 | 0.890 | 110 |
| a = 6.57 nm, b = 3.26 nm, c = 0.69 nm | 3.42 | 1.83 | 0.56 | 0.554 | 310 |
| M = 4558.32, Z = 2 for p = 1.03 | 3.88 | 1.62 | 0.49 | 0.500 | 400 |
| 5.18 | 1.21 | 0.37 | 0.371 | 510 |
| 6.97 | 0.90 | 0.27 | 0.277 | 620 |
| 9.09 | 0.69 | – | – | 001 |
| (j) Au²⁺-PCCp⁻ |
| 100 °C (2nd heating) | 1.99 | 3.16 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| Col. | 3.45 | 1.82 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 3.64 nm, c = 0.69 nm | 3.99 | 1.58 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for p = 0.95 | 5.26 | 1.19 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 5.99 | 1.05 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 6.90 | 0.91 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| 7.17 | 0.88 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| 9.09 | 0.69 | – | – | 001 |
| (k) Au²⁺-PCCp⁻ |
| 200 °C (2nd heating) | 1.97 | 3.19 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| Col. | 3.38 | 1.86 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 3.69 nm, c = 0.70 nm | 3.91 | 1.61 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for p = 0.92 | 5.16 | 1.22 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 5.86 | 1.07 | 0.34 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 6.75 | 0.93 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| 7.03 | 0.89 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| 9.02 | 0.70 | – | – | 001 |
| 17.92 | 0.35 | – | – | 002 |
| (l) Au²⁺-PCCp⁻ |
| 250 °C (2nd heating) | 1.93 | 3.25 | 1.00 | 1.000 | 100 |
| Col. | 3.36 | 1.87 | 0.58 | 0.577 | 110 |
| a = 3.75 nm, c = 0.70 nm | 3.88 | 1.62 | 0.50 | 0.500 | 200 |
| M = 4558.32, Z = 1 for p = 0.89 | 5.13 | 1.23 | 0.38 | 0.378 | 210 |
| 5.82 | 1.08 | 0.33 | 0.333 | 300 |
| 6.72 | 0.94 | 0.29 | 0.289 | 220 |
| 6.99 | 0.90 | 0.28 | 0.277 | 310 |
| 8.48 | 0.74 | 0.23 | 0.229 | 320 |
| 13.04 | 0.48 | – | – | 001 |
| 17.73 | 0.35 | – | – | 002 |

* The diffraction peaks which corresponded to 002, 003, and 004 were observed at the wide-angle region (Figure S120).
Figure S119 Possible packing models of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1.
Possible packing models of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ in (a) Colh and (b) Colr (c2mm) structures.

Figure S120 Wide-angle XRD of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Table 1.
Wide-angle XRD of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ at 250 °C (1st cooling). The diffraction peak at 0.70 nm is derived from the alternate stacking of porphyrin–AuIII complex and PCCp⁻ in the Colh packing structure (Table S19 and Figure S117–119). Highly ordered charge-by-charge assembly affords higher-order diffractions derived from (001) peak.

Figure S121 XRD peaks of xerogel, Related to Figure 6.
XRD peaks of xerogel obtained from an octane gel (10 mg/mL) of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻. The XRD pattern exhibits a Col structure (Figure S122).
Table S20 XRD peaks of xerogel, Related to Figure 6.
XRD peaks of xerogel obtained from an octane gel (10 mg/mL) of \textbf{Au}^{16+}-\text{PCCp}^- \ (\text{Figure S121}). The peaks which can be indexed are represented.

|                  | q (nm$^{-1}$) | d-spacing (nm) | ratio | ratio (calc.) | hkl |
|------------------|---------------|----------------|-------|---------------|-----|
| \textbf{Au}^{16+}-\text{PCCp}^- 25 °C | 1.98          | 3.26           | 1.00  | 1.000         | 200 |
| Col. (p2gg)      | 2.56          | 2.45           | 0.75  | 0.750         | 110 |
|                  | 3.04          | 2.06           | 0.60  | 0.655         | 210 |
|                  | 3.86          | 1.63           | 0.47  | 0.499         | 220 |
| a = 4.90 nm, b = 4.36 nm, c = 0.73 nm | 5.84          | 1.07           | 0.31  | 0.327         | 420 |
|                  | 8.64          | 0.73           | –     | –             | 001 |
|                  | 17.11         | 0.37           | –     | –             | 002 |

Figure S122 Possible packing model of xerogel, Related to Figure 6.
Possible packing model of xerogel obtained from an octane gel (10 mg/mL) of \textbf{Au}^{16+}-\text{PCCp}^- in a Col. (p2gg) structure.
Figure S123 Summary for the XRD measurements of sheared ion-pairing assemblies of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻, Related to Figure 9.

Summary for the XRD measurements of sheared ion-pairing assemblies of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ (Figure S125,126): cartoons for (a) the shearing experiment, for which the sample was sheared between two Kapton (polyimide) films, and (b) the orientations of domains (yellow cylinders) (top) and the packing mode inside of the domains (bottom) for (i) the mesophase as the original state, (ii) the sheared sample at 230 °C, (iii) that upon cooling to r.t., and (iv) that upon heating to 100 °C. Here, the detailed investigation for Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ was conducted due to the appearance of two different assembling structures as the mesophase and crystalline states. In the mesophase as the original state, domains consisting of a Col₉ structure were non-oriented with multiple domains ((i)). By shearing in one direction, domains were aligned along the sheared direction ((ii)). An anisotropic orientation caused by shearing was maintained even at 100 °C as the Col₉ mesophase ((iv)) (Figure S126) after the phase transition from Col₉ at r.t. ((iii)) (Figure S125). The retention of the domain orientations during thermal processes suggested the contributions of robust packing states based on charge-by-charge assemblies. Such retention of the domain orientations during thermal processes was also observed in the assemblies of pentaalkyl-substituted hexabenzocoronenes (HBCs) with appropriate substituents exhibiting dipoles (Grigoriadis et al., 2010; Haase et al., 2011).
Figure S124 XRD patterns of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ sheared sample, Related to Figure 9.

XRD patterns of Au16⁺-PCCp⁻ sheared between Kapton (polyimide) films at ca. 250 °C and cooled to r.t. (1st cooling): (a) 2D XRD diffraction pattern with an arrow indicating sheared direction, (b) a diagram of meridional (sheared) direction (90° ± 20°) of 2D XRD, (c) a diagram of equatorial direction (0° ± 20°) of 2D XRD, and (d) a combined diagram including meridional (sheared) (red) and equatorial (blue) directions. 2D XRD diffraction pattern image is slightly tilted due to the sample setting conditions. The diffractions at the smaller angle region assignable to the hexagonal packing increased in the equatorial direction (blue line in (c,d)), whereas the diffractions at the wider angle region including the 001 peak (0.68 nm) enhanced in the meridional direction (red in (b,d)). The 001 (0.68 nm) peak is assignable to the repeating distance of identical π-electronic charged species in the assembly comprising alternately arranged π-electronic ions (charge-by-charge assembly). These results clearly suggest that the hexagonally assembled charge-by-charge columnar assembly is highly oriented by shearing. The enhanced diffraction peak for halo at the angle of ~±20° based on meridional (sheared) direction can be ascribable to the charge-by-charge columnar assembly with the arrangement of laterally rotating porphyrin–AuIII complexes with a rotating angle of ~20° (Pisula et al., 2007).
**Figure S125 XRD patterns of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ sheared sample, Related to Figure 9.**

XRD patterns of Au20⁺-PCCp⁻ sheared between Kapton (polyimide) films at ca. 230 °C and cooled to r.t. (1st cooling): (a) 2D XRD diffraction pattern with an arrow indicating sheared direction, (b) a diagram of meridional (sheared) direction (90° ± 20°), (c) a diagram of equatorial direction (0° ± 20°), and (d) a combined diagram including meridional (sheared) (red) and equatorial (blue) directions. 2D XRD diffraction pattern image is slightly tilted due to the sample setting conditions. Diffractions of asterisk indicate the diffractions from Kapton film. The diffractions at the smaller angle region assignable to the rectangular packing increased in the equatorial direction (blue line in (c,d)), whereas the diffractions at the wider angle region including the 001 peak (0.68 nm) enhanced in the meridional direction (red in (b,d)). The 001 (0.68 nm) peak is assignable to the repeating distance of identical π-electronic charged species in the assembly comprising alternately arranged π-electronic ions (charge-by-charge assembly). These results clearly suggest that the rectangularly assembled charge-by-charge columnar assembly is highly oriented by shearing (Figure S123b). The enhanced diffraction peak for halo at the angle of −±20° based on meridional (sheared) direction can be ascribable to the charge-by-charge columnar assembly with the arrangement of laterally rotating porphyrin–AuIII complexes with a rotating angle of −20° (Pisula et al., 2007).
Figure S126 XRD patterns of Au$^{20+}$-PCCp$^{-}$ sheared sample, Related to Figure 9.

XRD patterns of Au$^{20+}$-PCCp$^{-}$ sheared between Kapton (polyimide) films at ca. 230 °C, cooled to r.t., and heated to 100 °C (2nd heating): (a) 2D XRD diffraction pattern with an arrow indicating sheared direction, (b) a diagram of meridional (sheared) direction (90° ± 20°), (c) a diagram of equatorial direction (0° ± 20°), and (d) a combined diagram including meridional (sheared) (red) and equatorial (blue) directions. 2D XRD diffraction pattern image is slightly tilted due to the sample setting conditions. Diffractions of asterisk indicate the diffractions from Kapton film. The diffractions at the smaller angle region assignable to the hexagonal packing increased in the equatorial direction (blue line in (c,d)), whereas the diffractions at the wider angle region including the 001 peak (0.68 nm) enhanced in the meridional direction (red in (b,d)). The 001 (0.68 nm) peak is assignable to the repeating distance of identical π-electronic charged species in the assembly comprising alternately arranged π-electronic ions (charge-by-charge assembly). These results clearly suggest that the hexagonally assembled columnar charge-by-charge assembly is highly oriented by shearing. In addition, anisotropic orientation caused by shearing was maintained at 100 °C as a Col mesophase after the phase transition from Col, at r.t. (Figure S123b).
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