

## Supporting Information

### Proton conduction via lattice water molecules in oxalato-bridged lanthanide porous coordination polymers

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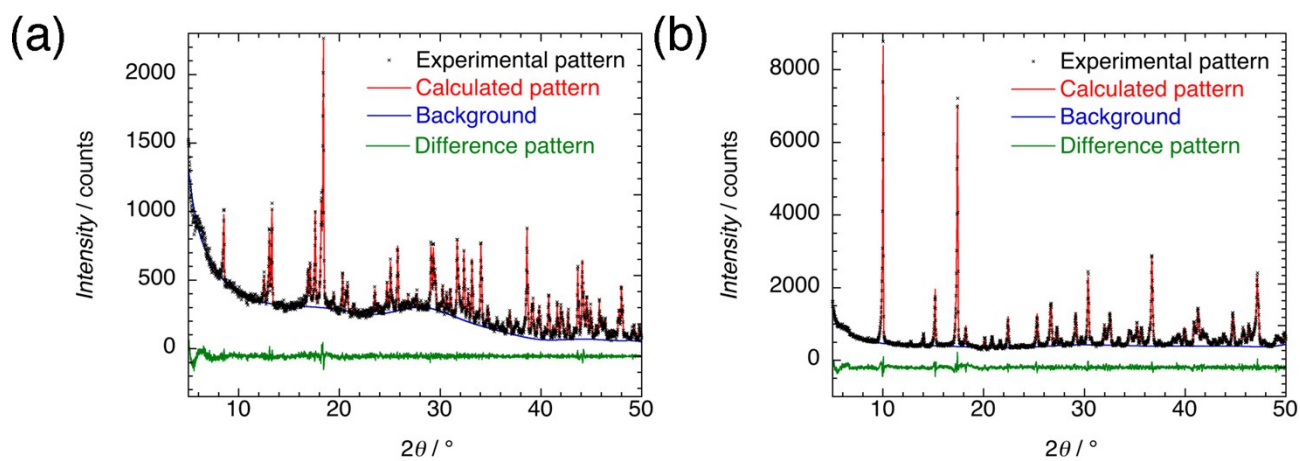
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**TableS1.** Summary of cell parameters for **1** and **2** obtained by Le Bail refinements. PXRD data for **1** and **2** were collected at room temperature.

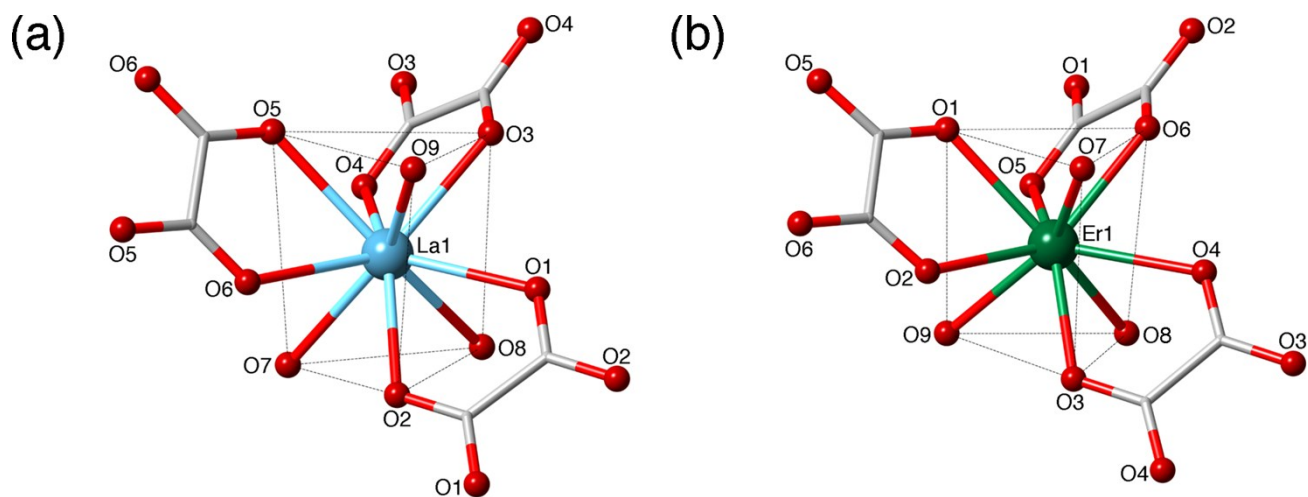
Cell parameters	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Space group	monoclinic	hexagonal
$a / \text{\AA}$	11.390	30.567
$b / \text{\AA}$	9.632	30.567
$c / \text{\AA}$	10.503	7.171
$\alpha / ^\circ$	90.000	90.000
$\beta / ^\circ$	114.585	90.000
$\gamma / ^\circ$	90.000	120.000
$V / \text{\AA}^3$	1047.83	5802.99
$R_p / \%$	5.05	4.24
$R_e / \%$	5.24	3.90
$R_{wp} / \%$	6.40	5.46
$S$	1.2225	1.4002

**Table S2.** Summary of fitting parameters for **1** and **2** obtained by the Jonscher's power law.

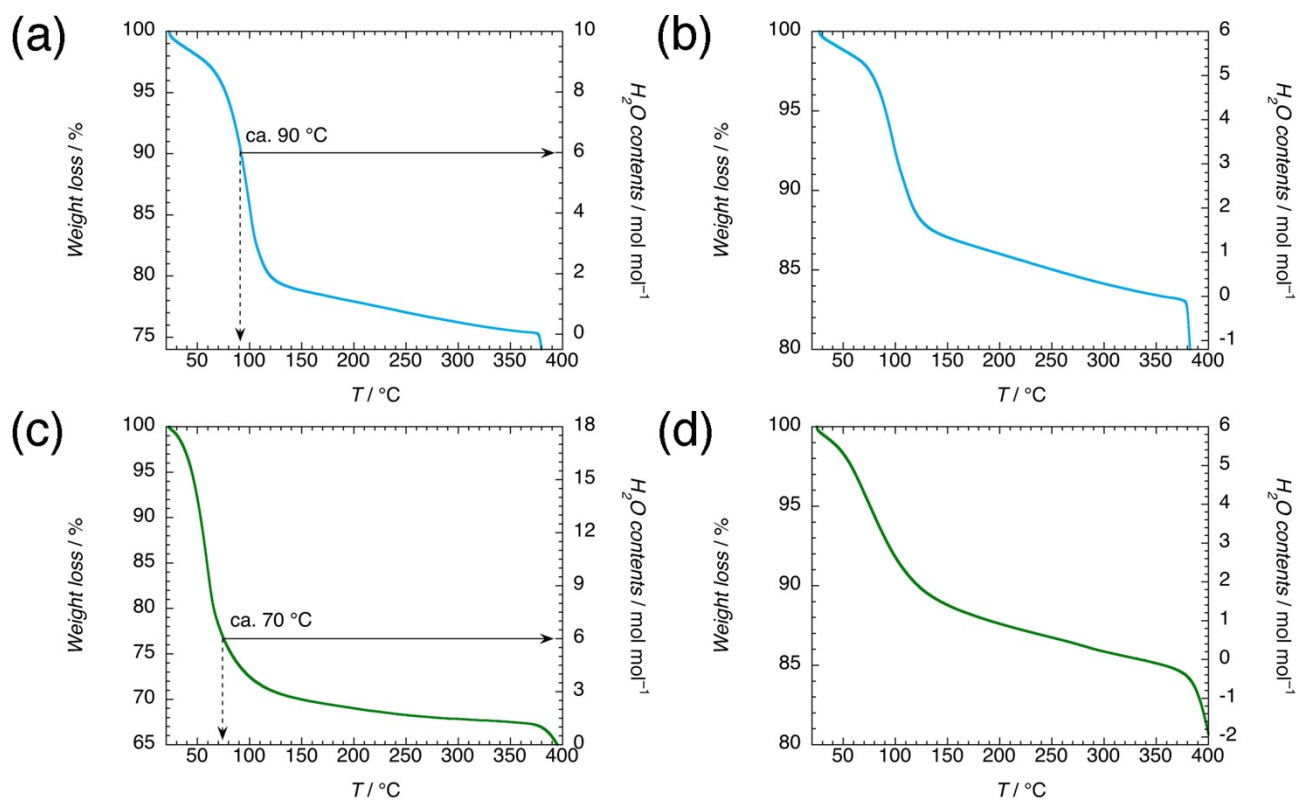
Compound <b>1</b>	$T / K$	$\sigma_0 / S \text{ cm}^{-1}$	$A / S \text{ cm}^{-1} S^n$	$n$
	368	$3.41 \times 10^{-7}$	$7.22 \times 10^{-16}$	1.66
	362	$2.99 \times 10^{-7}$	$9.59 \times 10^{-16}$	1.65
	352	$2.29 \times 10^{-7}$	$2.39 \times 10^{-15}$	1.59
	343	$1.66 \times 10^{-7}$	$6.33 \times 10^{-15}$	1.54
Compound <b>2</b>	$T / K$	$\sigma_0 / S \text{ cm}^{-1}$	$A / S \text{ cm}^{-1} S^n$	$n$
	363	$1.80 \times 10^{-6}$	$2.83 \times 10^{-14}$	1.33
	353	$1.68 \times 10^{-6}$	$4.46 \times 10^{-14}$	1.31
	343	$1.25 \times 10^{-6}$	$1.12 \times 10^{-13}$	1.27
	322	$5.29 \times 10^{-7}$	$4.64 \times 10^{-14}$	1.37



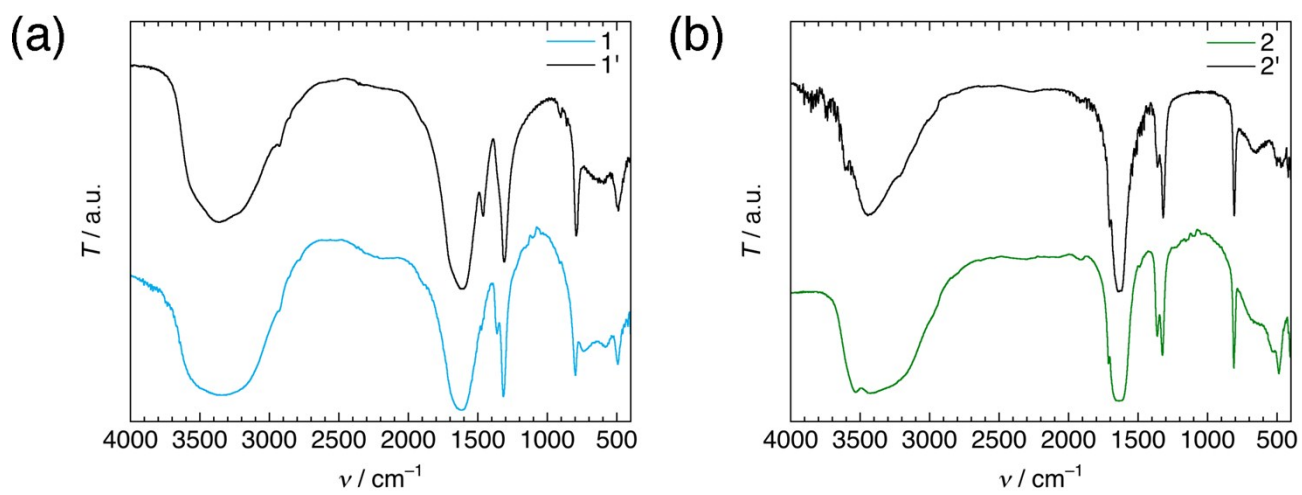
**Fig. S1.** Le Bail refinements of the PXRD patterns of (a) **1** and (b) **2**. The calculated patterns (solid red lines) agree with the experimental data (crosses) as evidenced by the difference pattern (solid green line). Solid blue lines are background. PXRD data for **1** and **2** were collected at room temperature.



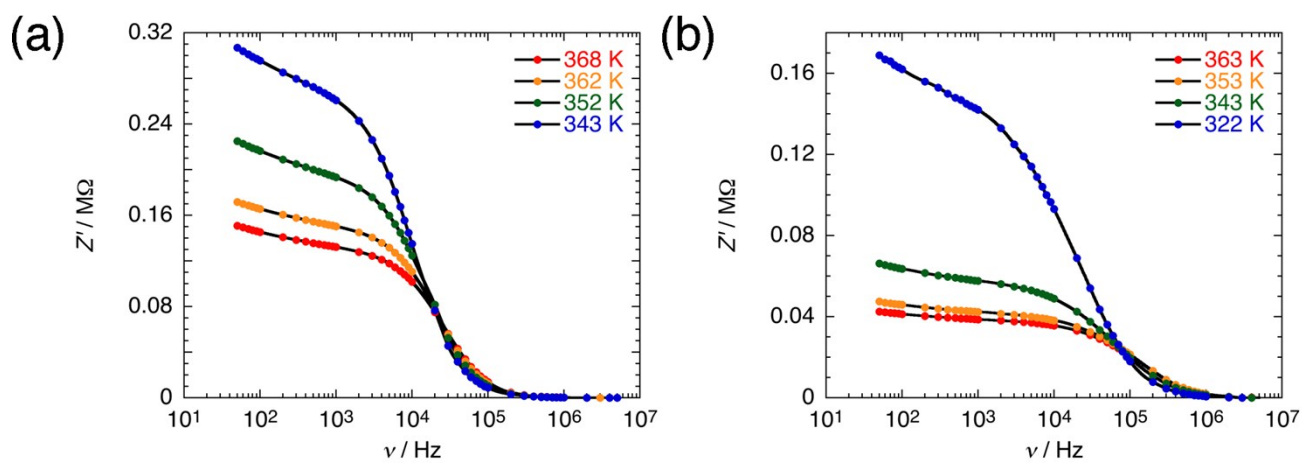
**Fig. S2.** Tricapped trigonal prismatic metal coordination environments in (a) **1** and (b) **2**. Light blue, green, gray and red balls and sticks represent La, Er, C, and O atoms, respectively. The H atoms are omitted for clarity.



**Fig. S3.** TG curves of (a) **1**, (c) **2**, (b) **1'** activated at 90 °C for 1 day and (d) **2'** activated at 70 °C for 1 day.

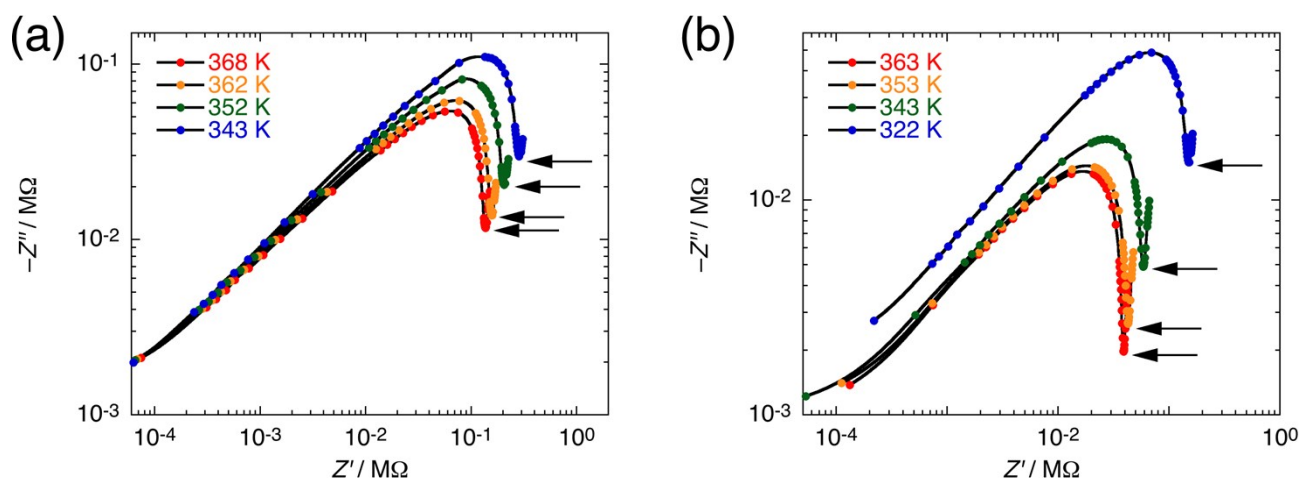


**Fig. S4.** FT-IR spectra of (a) **1** (light blue) and **1'** (black) and (b) **2** (green) and **2'** (black).



**Fig. S5.** Frequency-dependence of  $Z'$  for (a) **1** and (b) **2** in the frequency range of 50 Hz–5 MHz at given temperatures. Solid black lines serve as guides for the eye.





**Fig. S6.** Nyquist plots for (a) **1** and (b) **2** with a double logarithmic scale in the  $\nu$  range of 50 Hz–5 MHz at a given  $T$ . Solid black lines serve as guides for the eye. The resistance ( $R$ ) can be estimated as  $Z'$  where the high  $\nu$  semi-circle and low  $\nu$  line intersect on the Nyquist plot (black arrows). The conductivity ( $\sigma$ ) was calculated by using the formula  $\sigma = (1/R)/(L/A)$ , where  $R$  is the resistance,  $L$  the thickness of the electrolyte between the electrodes, and  $A$  the cross-sectional contact area of the electrodes.