

**Exploring supramolecular assembly and luminescent behavior in a series of RE-*p*-chlorobenzoic acid-1,10-phenanthroline complexes**

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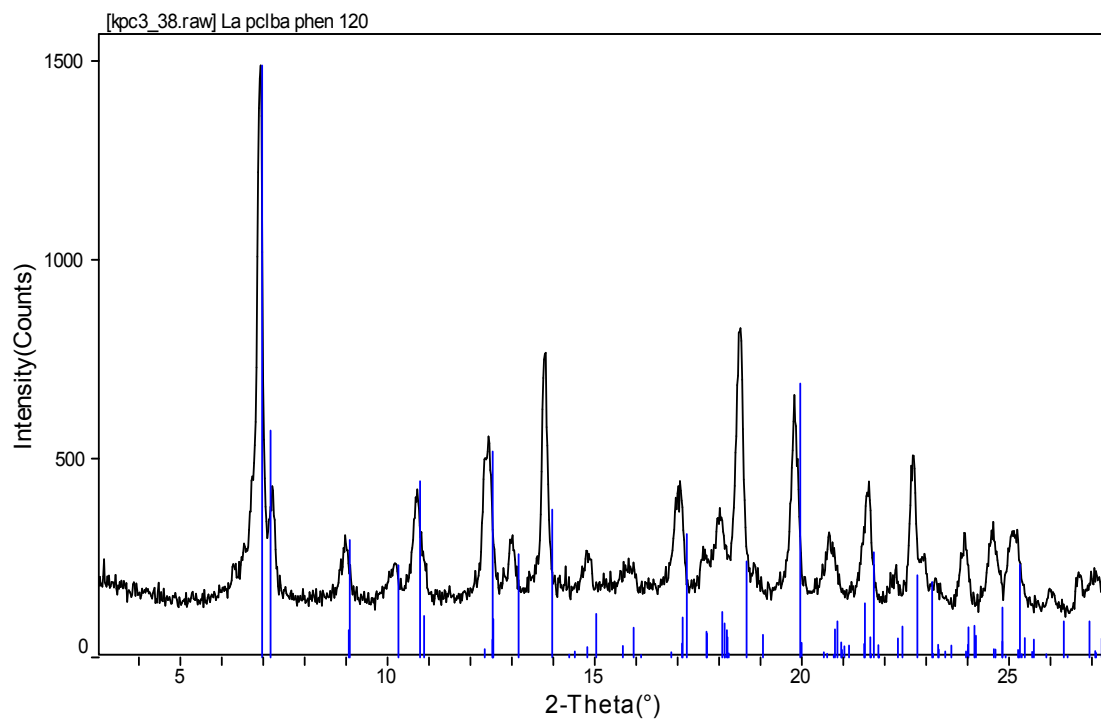
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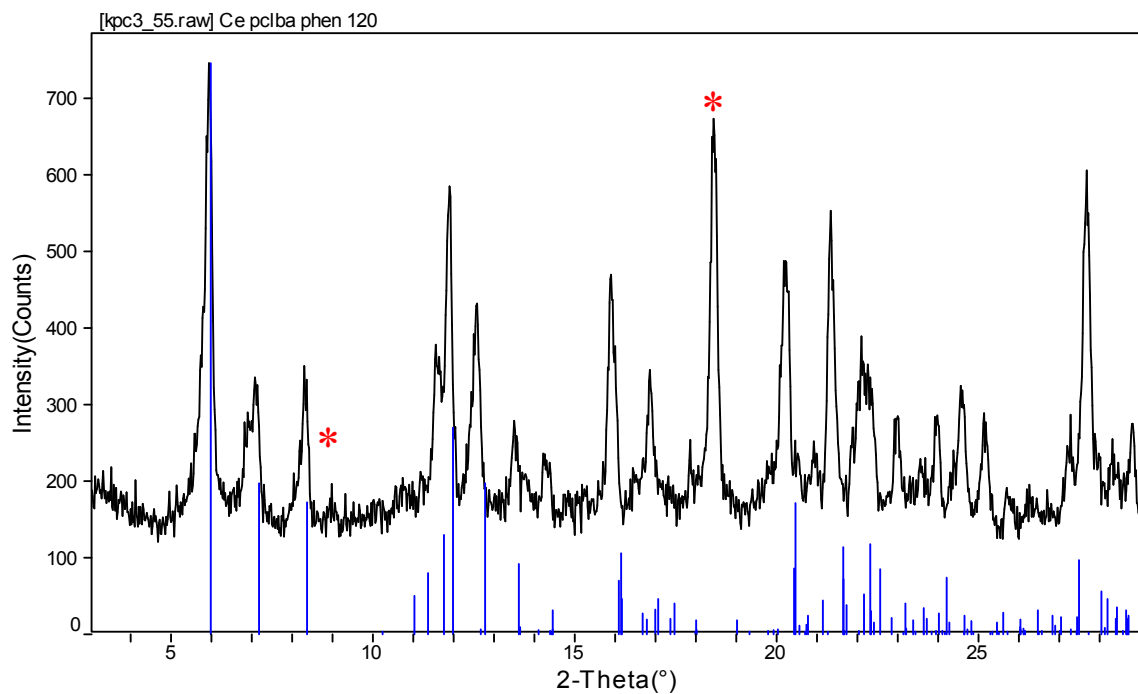
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## I. Powder X-ray diffraction data

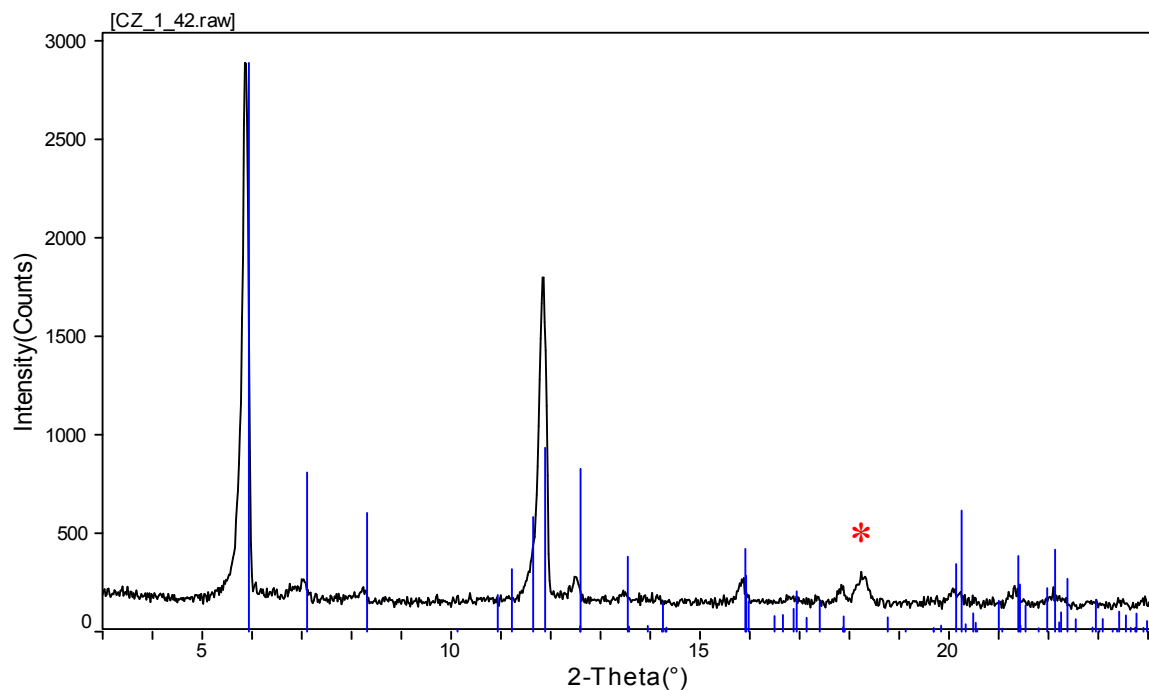
For complexes **1-11**, calculated and observed patterns were both collected a room temperature (298K).



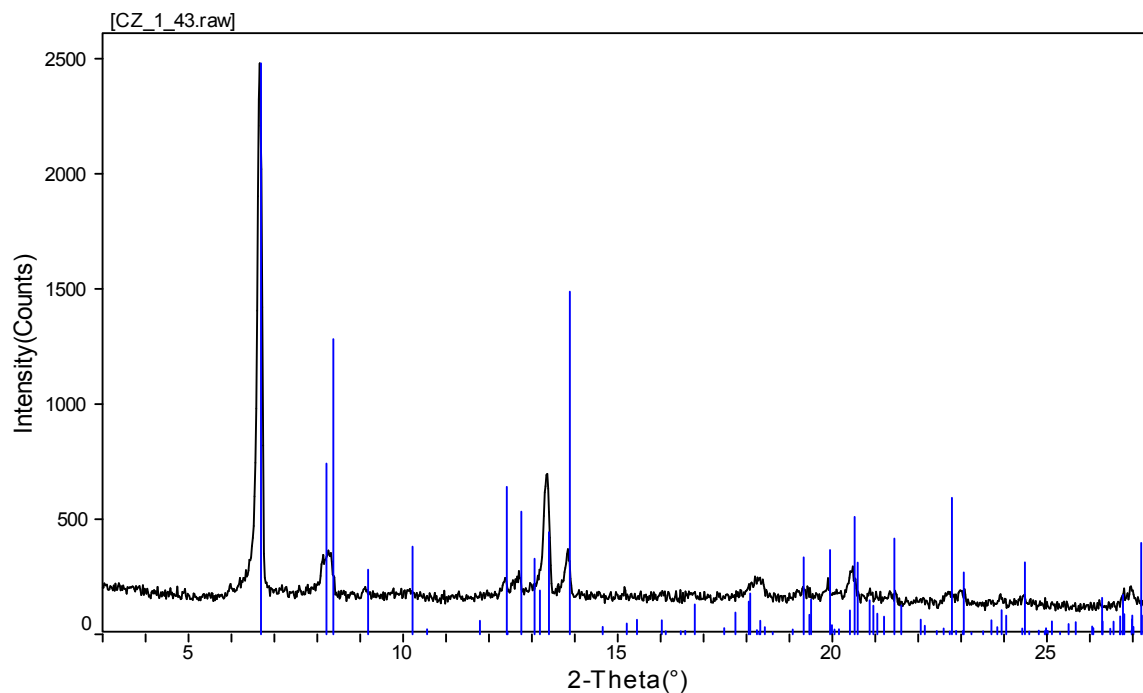
**Figure S1:** The observed PXRD pattern of structure **1** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue.



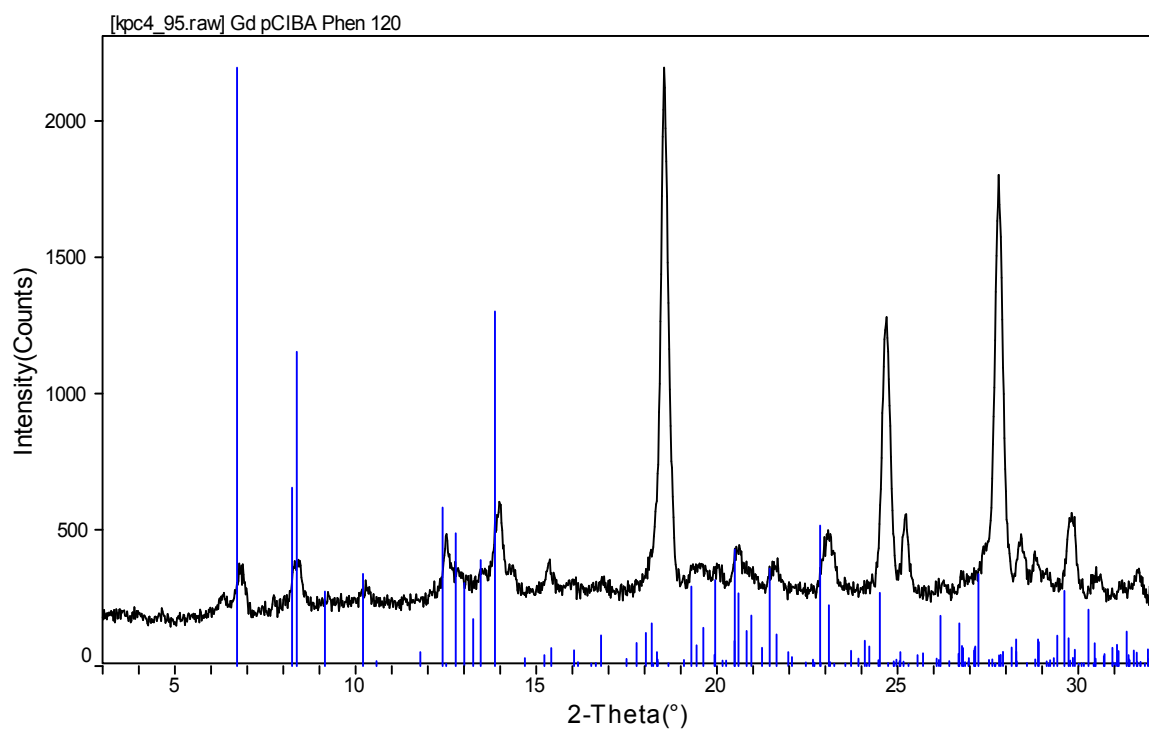
**Figure S2:** The observed PXRD pattern of structure **2** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue. We acknowledge two minor impurities as indicated with asterisks. The intensity of the impurity peak at approximately  $19^\circ 2\theta$  is due to preferred orientation. Both impurity peaks have been identified as excess *p*-chlorobenzoic acid via the search match function in JADE.<sup>1</sup>



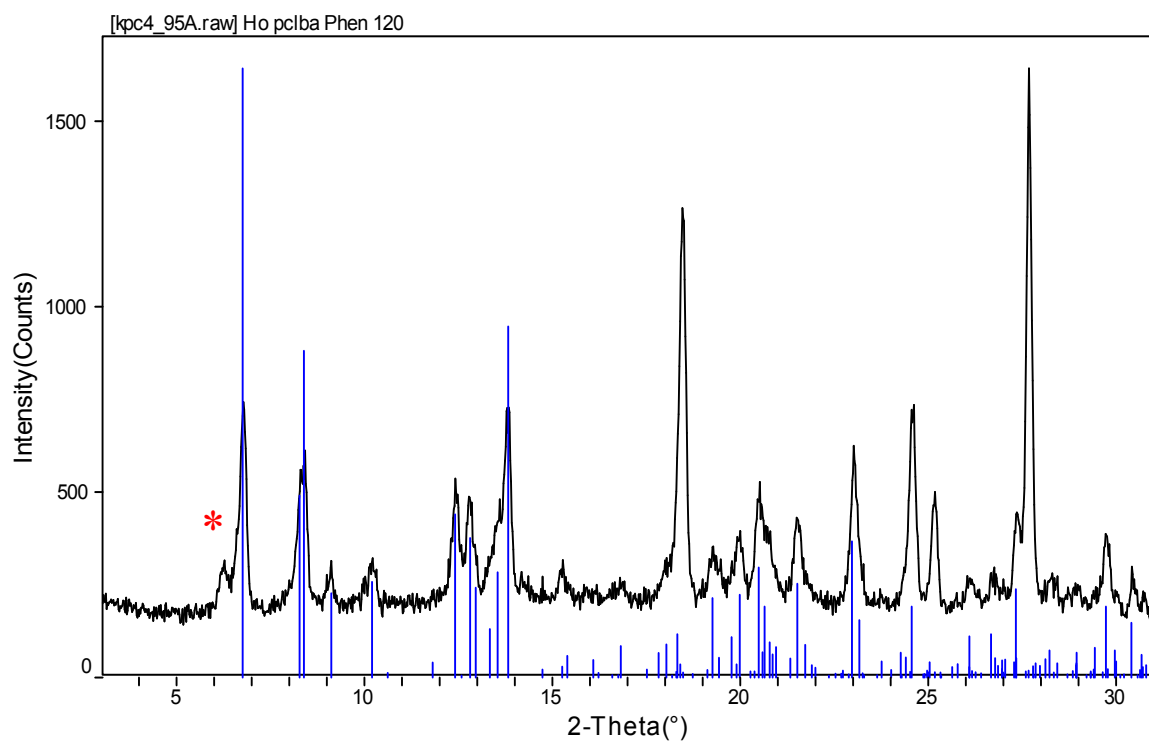
**Figure S3:** The observed PXRD pattern of structure **3** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue. We acknowledge a minor impurity as indicated with an asterisk. The impurity peak has been identified as excess *p*-chlorobenzoic acid via the search match function in JADE.



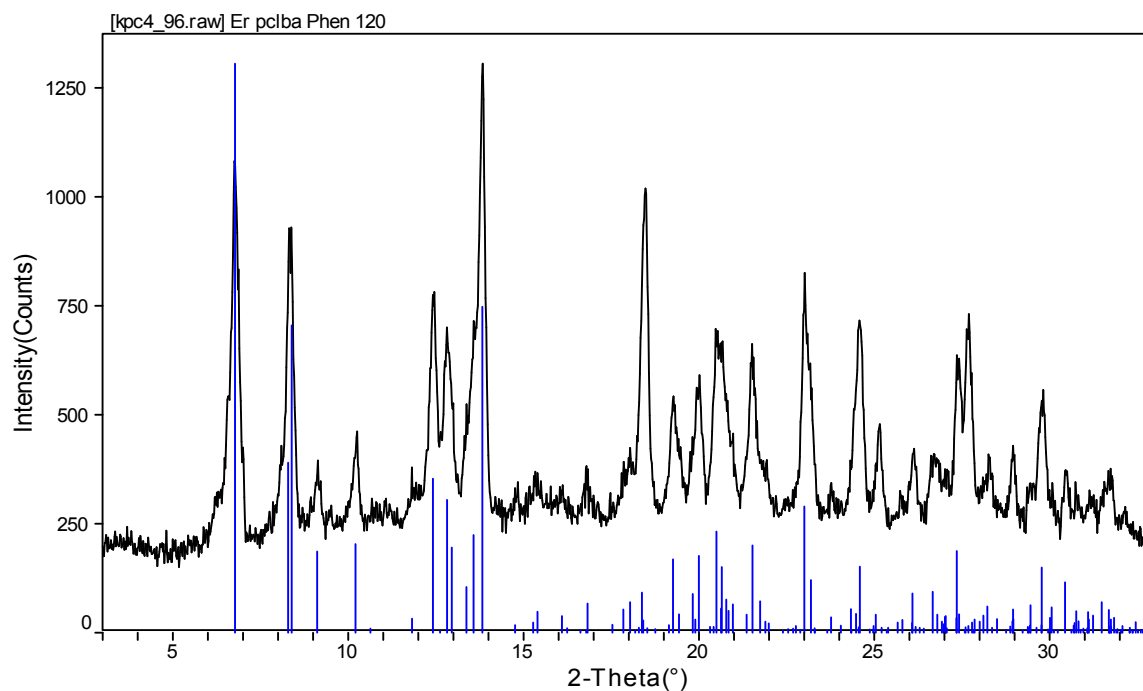
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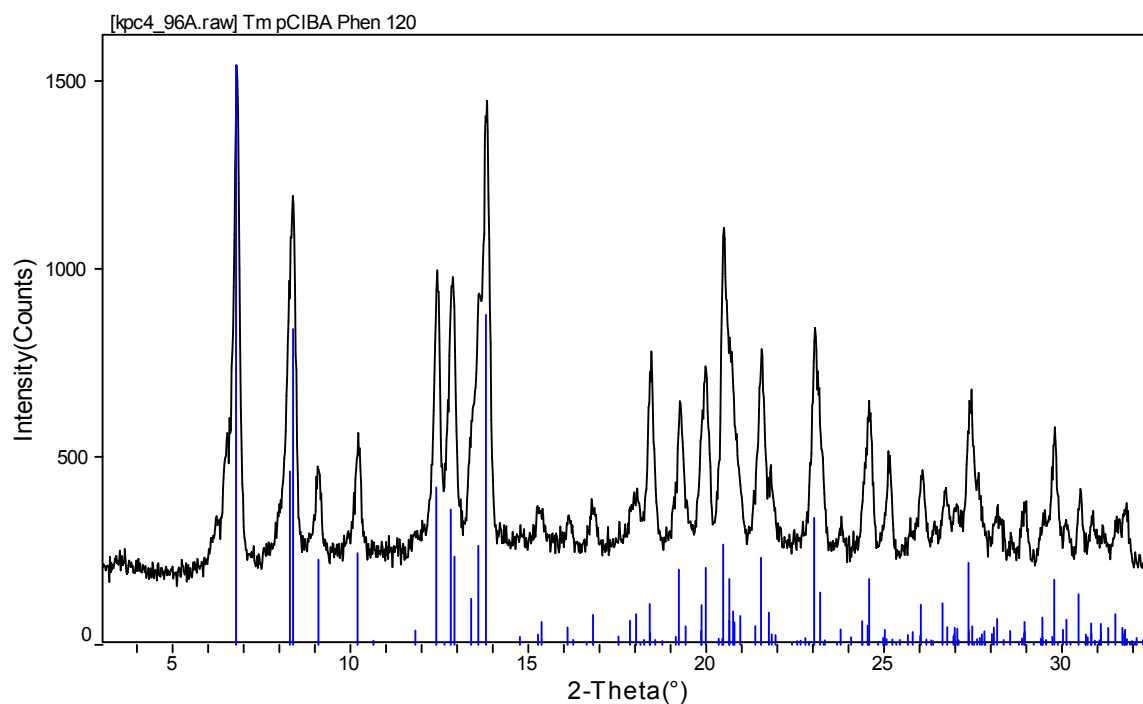
**Figure S5:** The observed PXRD pattern of structure **5** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue.



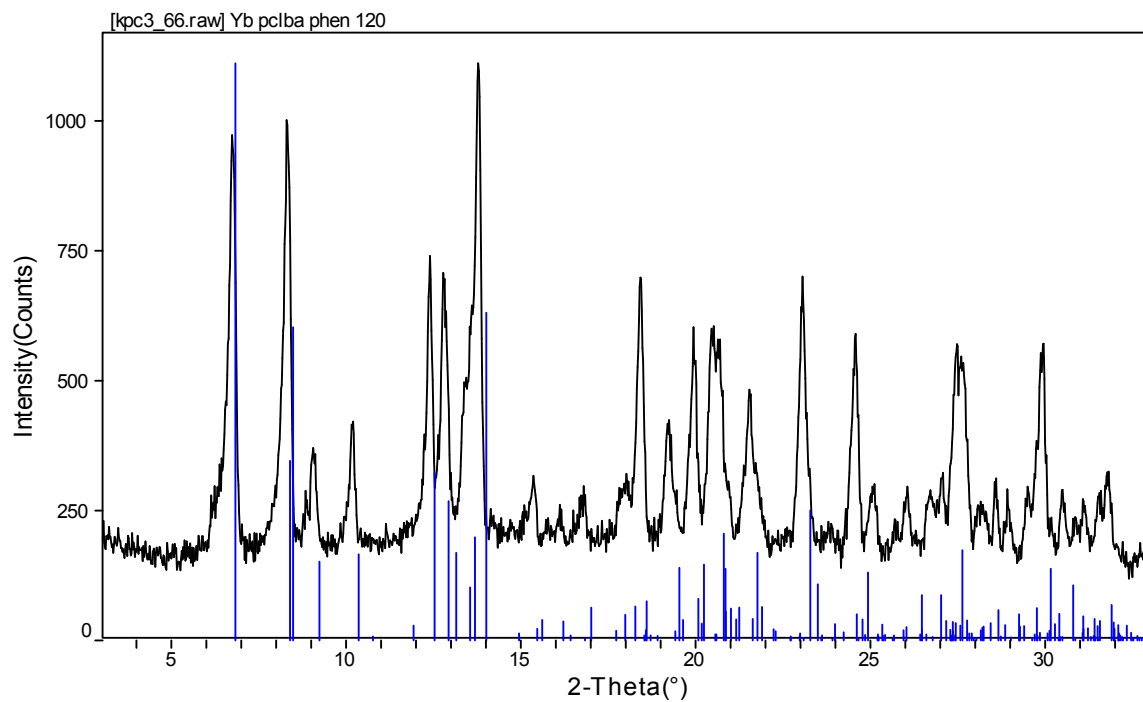
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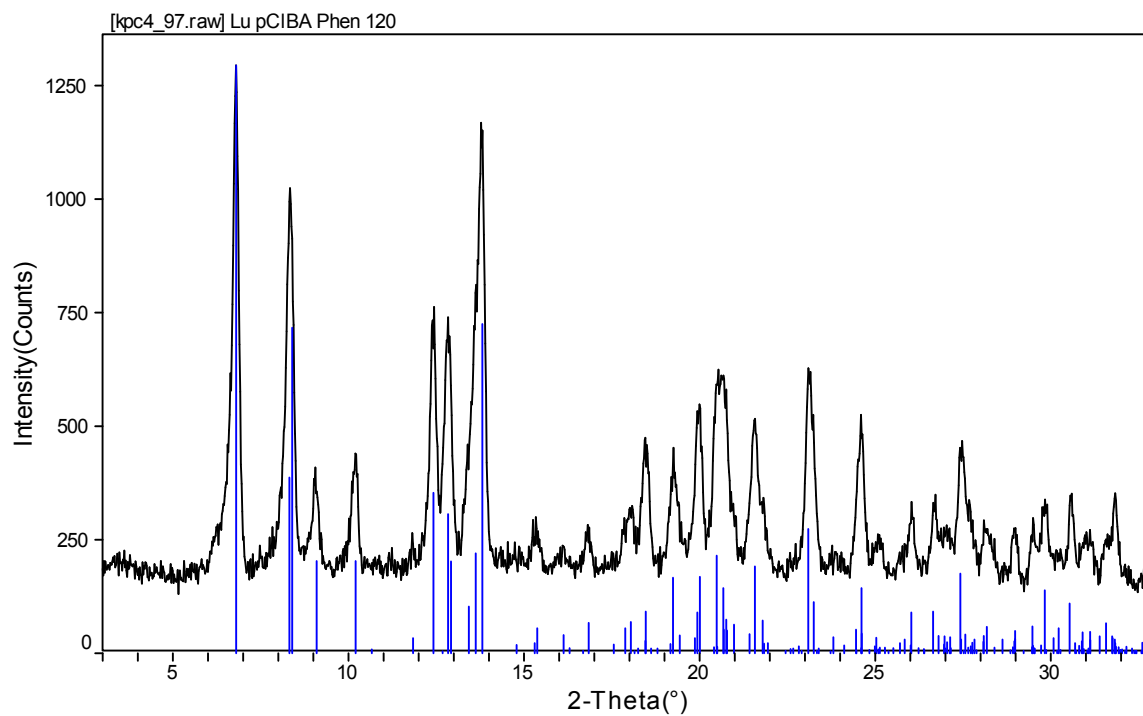
**Figure S7:** The observed PXR D pattern of structure **7** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue.



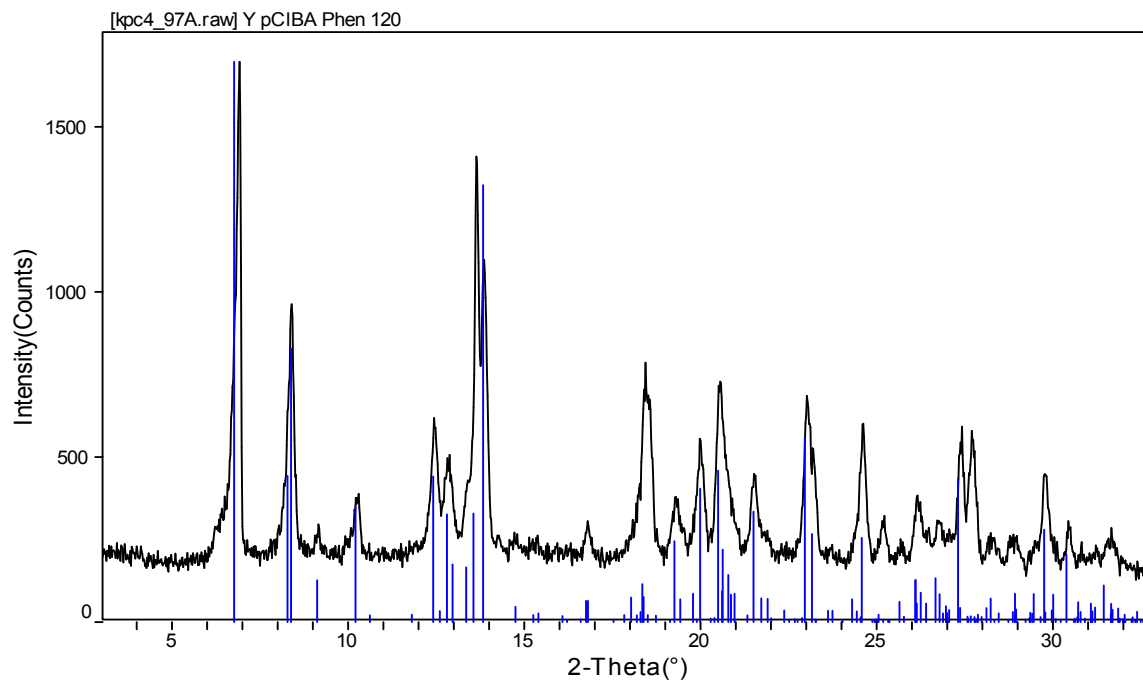
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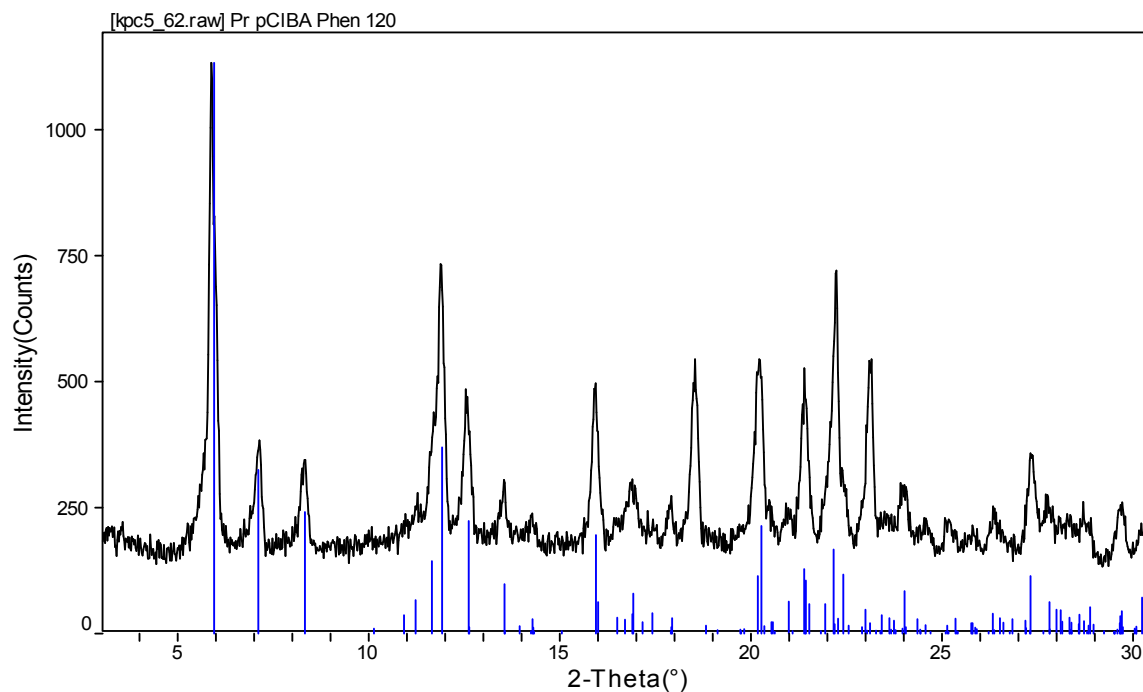
**Figure S9:** The observed PXRD pattern of structure **9** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue.



**Figure S10:** The observed PXRD pattern of structure **10** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue.

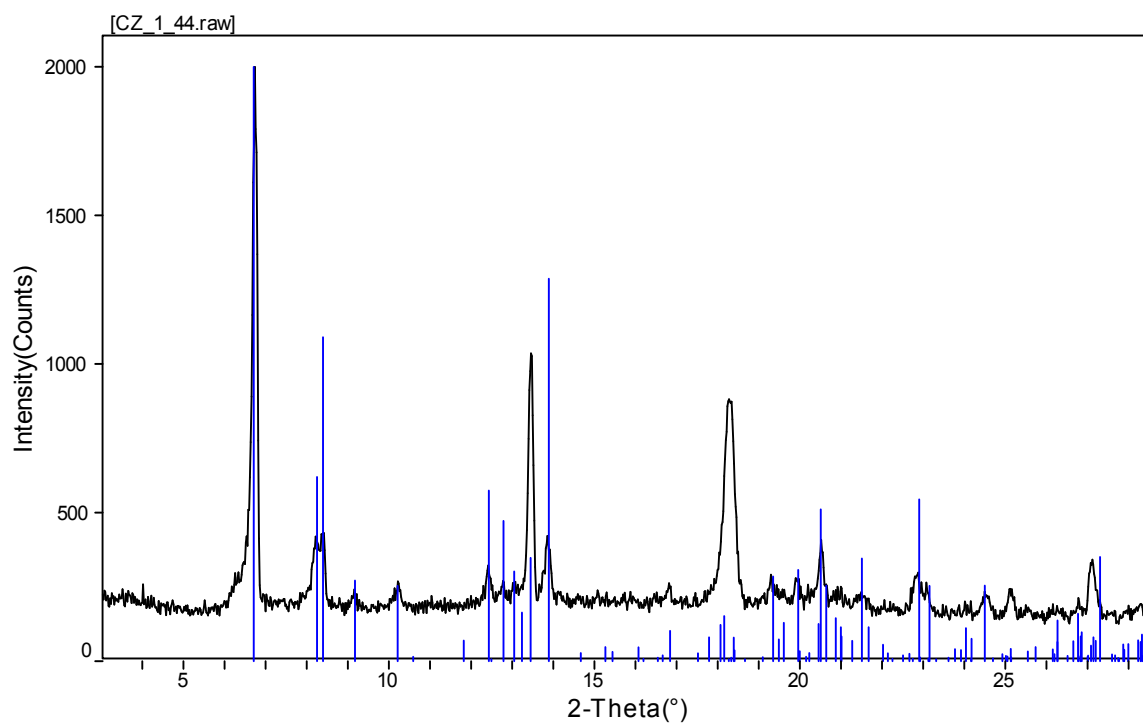


**Figure S11:** The observed PXR D pattern of structure **11** with calculated pattern overlaid in blue.

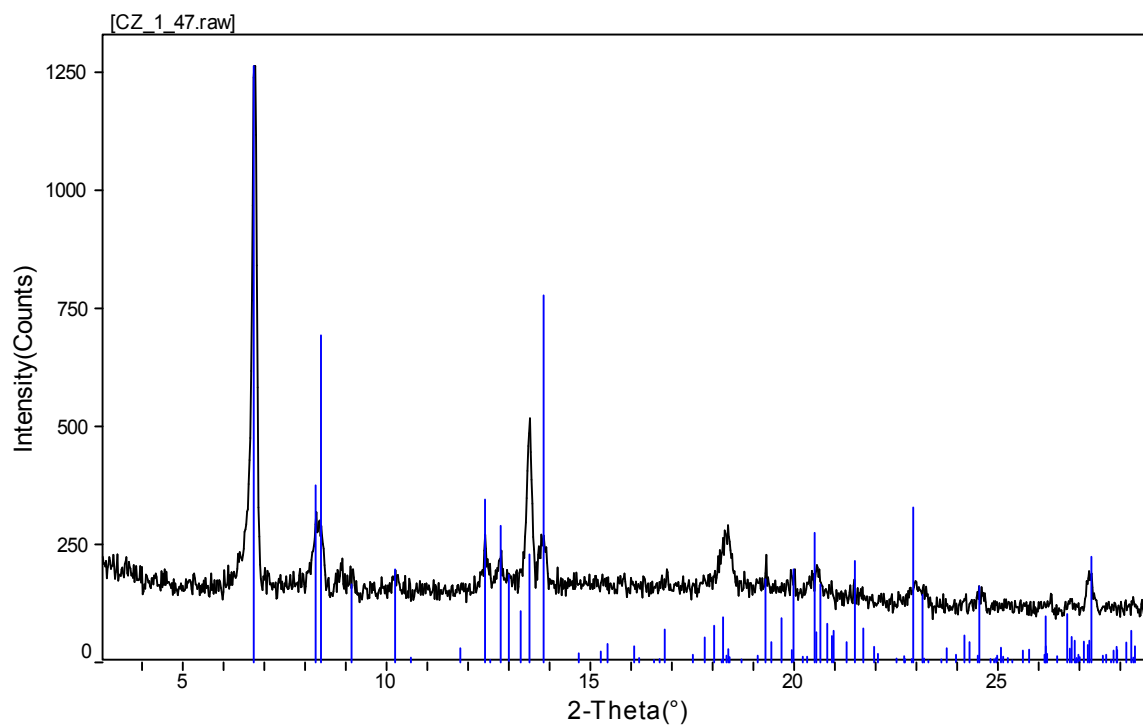


**Figure S12:** The observed PXR D pattern of the known Pr isomorph<sup>2</sup> ( $[\text{Pr}(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2$ ) with calculated pattern of published CIF overlaid in blue.

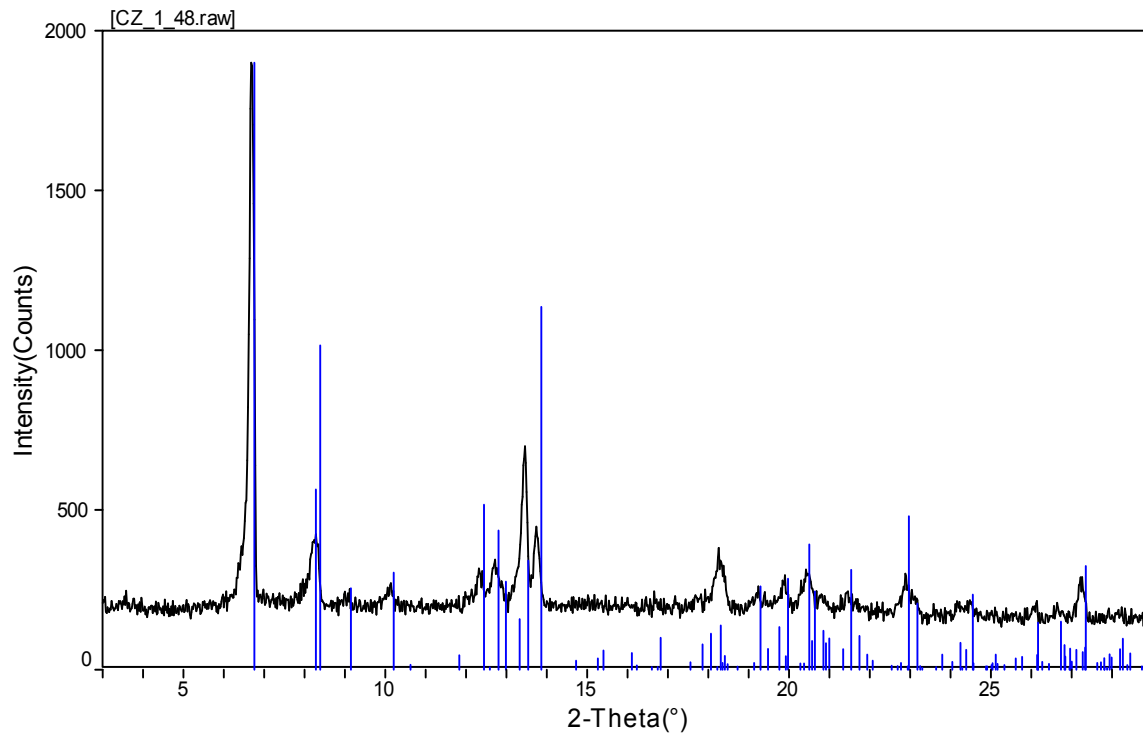




**Figure S13:** The observed PXR D pattern of the known Eu isomorph<sup>3</sup> ( $[\text{Eu}(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_3]_2$ ) with calculated pattern of published CIF overlaid in blue.

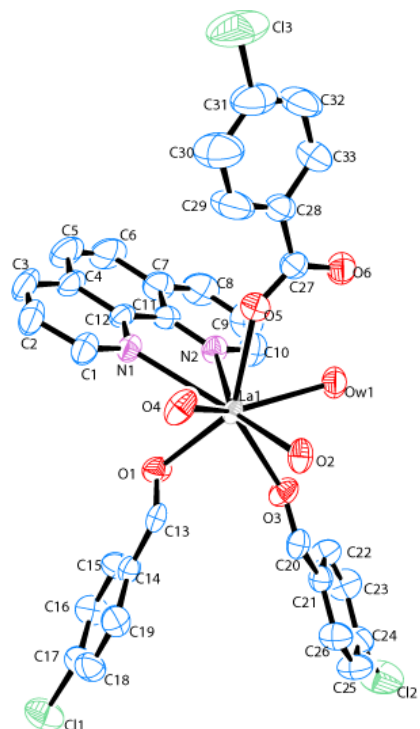


**Figure S14:** The observed PXR D pattern of the known Tb isomorph<sup>4</sup> ( $[\text{Tb}(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_3]_2$ ) with calculated pattern of published CIF overlaid in blue.

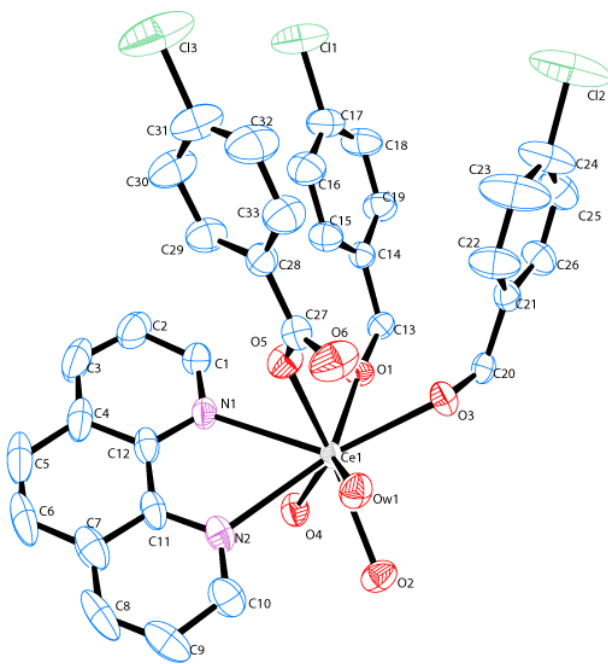


**Figure S15:** The observed PXR D pattern of the known Dy isomorph<sup>5</sup> ( $[\text{Dy}(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)(\text{C}_7\text{H}_4\text{ClO}_2)_3]_2$ ) with calculated pattern of published CIF overlaid in blue.

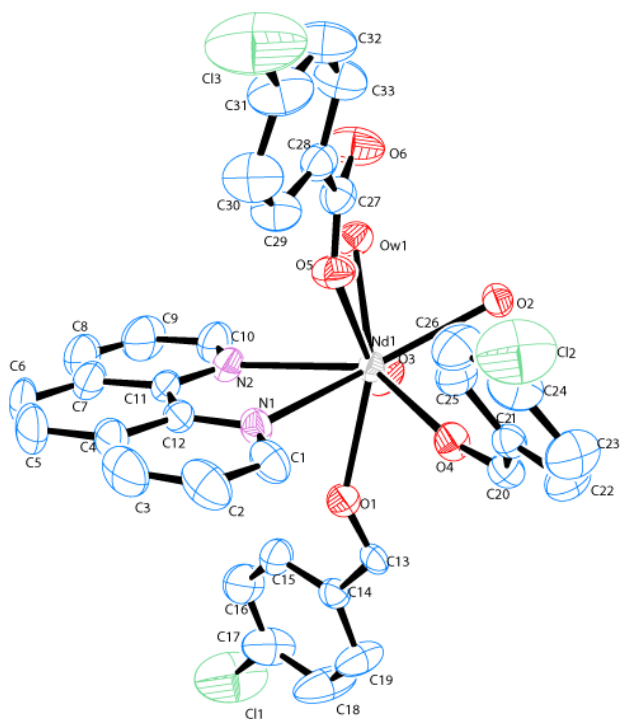
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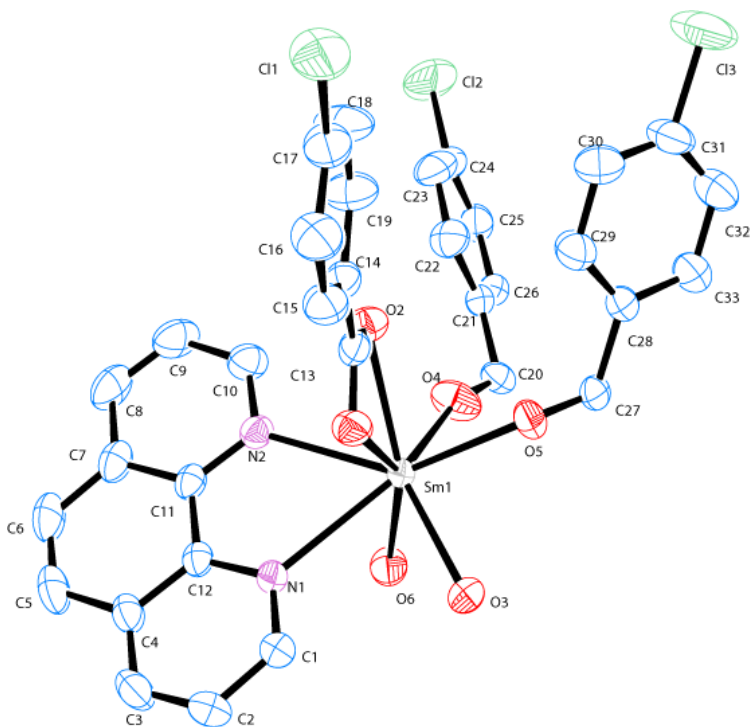
**Figure S16:** ORTEP illustration of structure 1. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



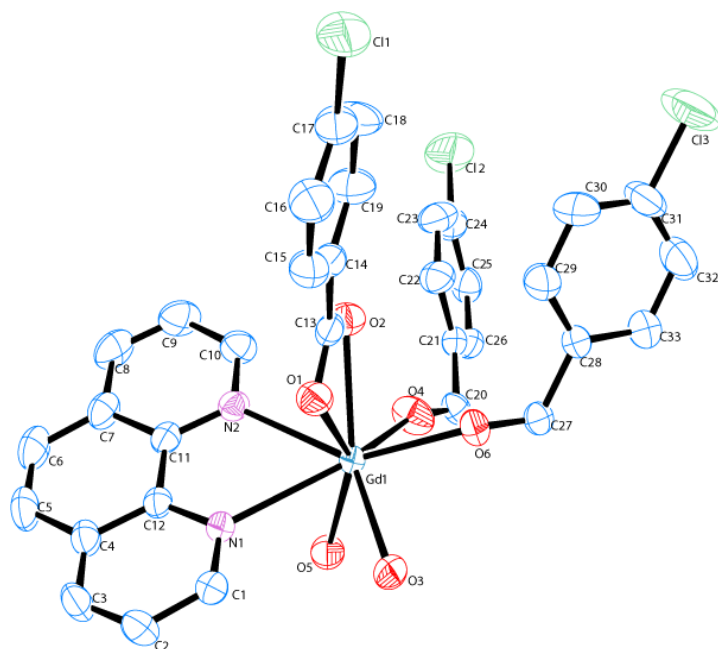
**Figure S17:** ORTEP illustration of structure 2. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



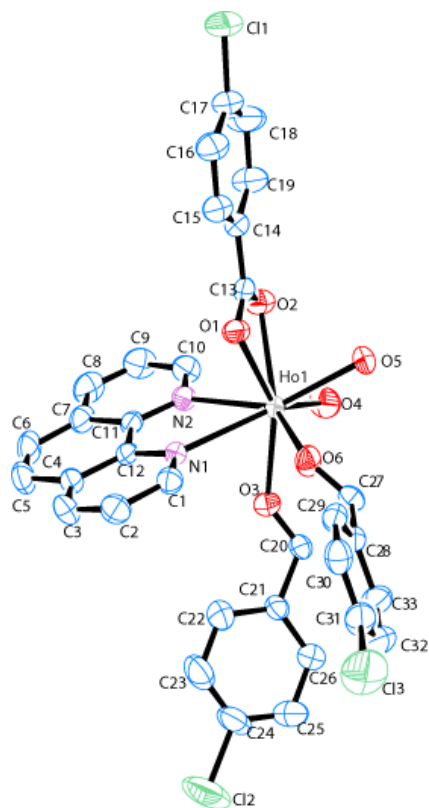
**Figure S18:** ORTEP illustration of structure **3**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



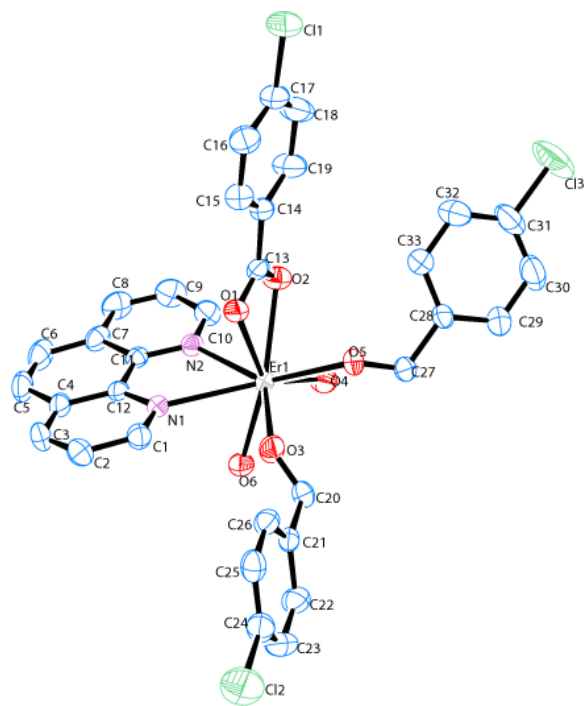
**Figure S19:** ORTEP illustration of structure **4**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



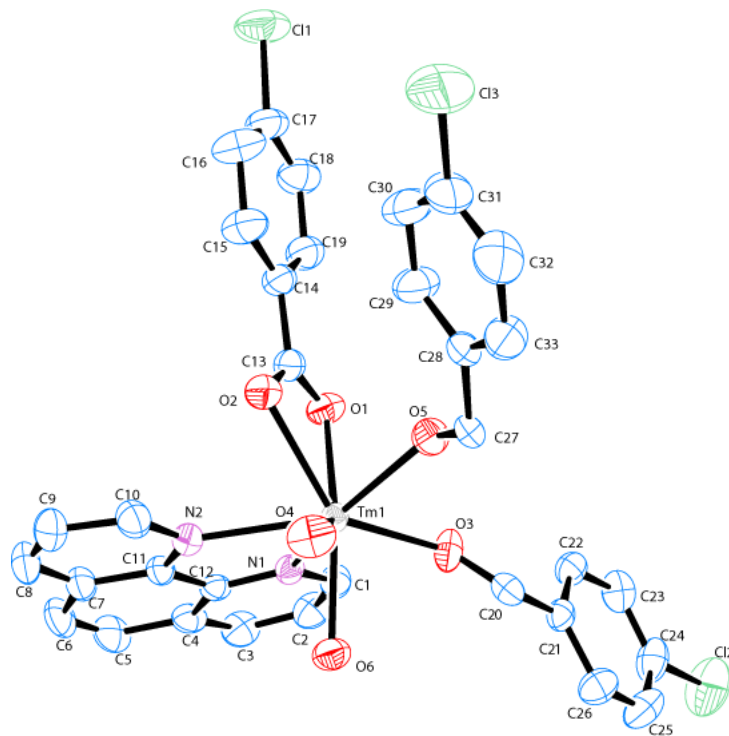
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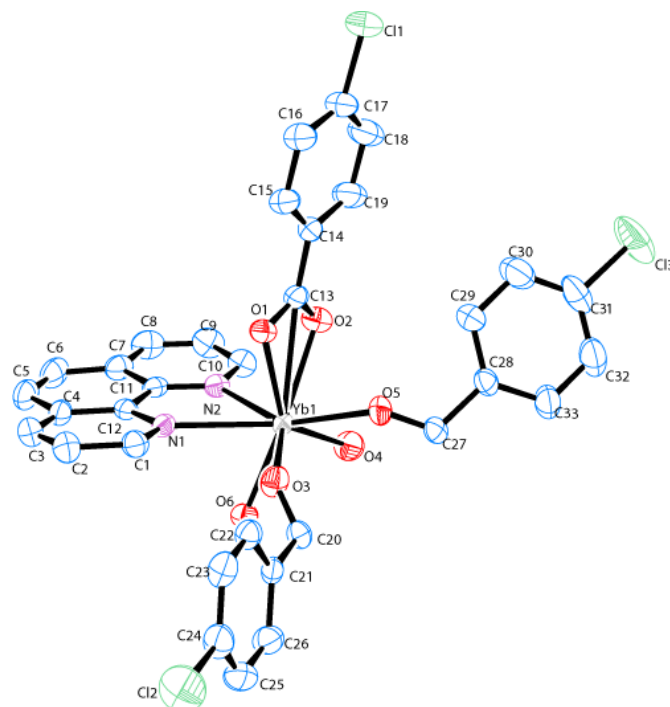
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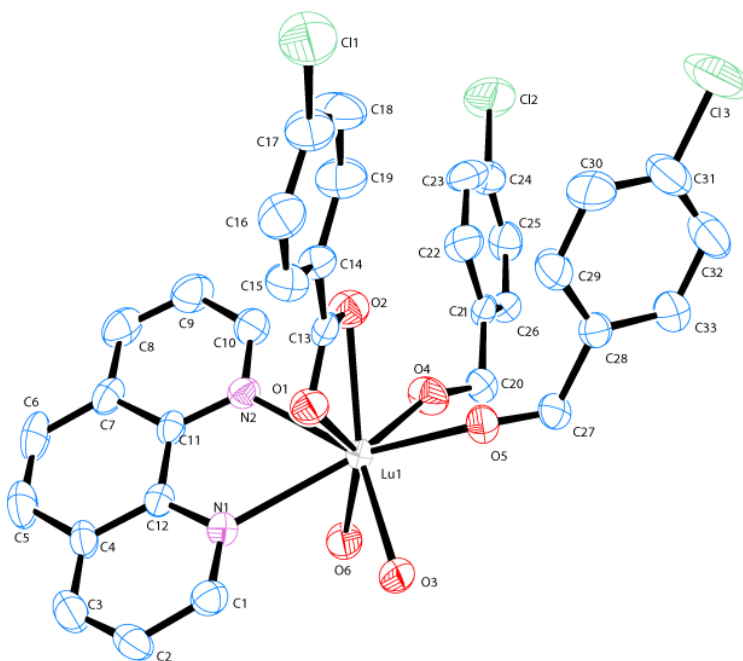
**Figure S22:** ORTEP illustration of structure **7**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



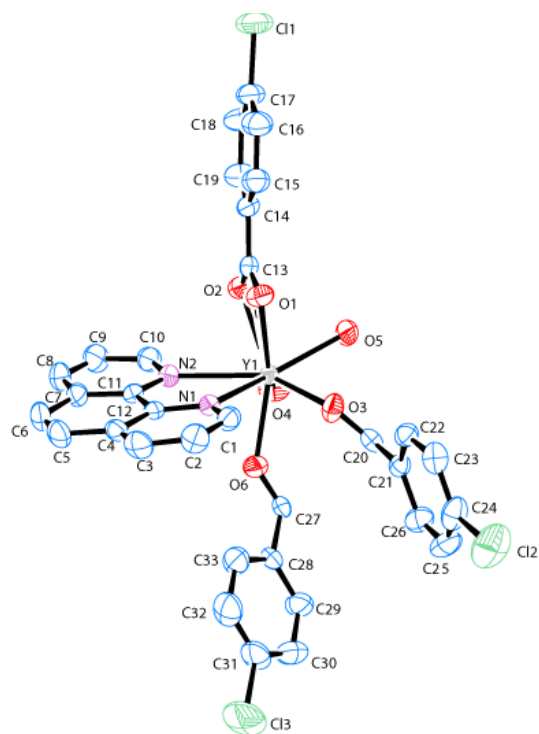
**Figure S23:** ORTEP illustration of structure **8**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



**Figure S24:** ORTEP illustration of structure **9**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



**Figure S25:** ORTEP illustration of structure **10**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



**Figure S26:** ORTEP illustration of structure **11**. Ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level.



### III. Table of Bond Distances

**Table S1:** Ln-O Bond Lengths in Ln<sup>3+</sup> complexes (**1-11**) with *p*-chlorobenzoic acid and 1,10-phenanthroline. Where complexes had been previously synthesized (Pr, Eu, Tb and Dy) bond length data comes from corresponding CIF.

<b>f</b> <b>electrons</b> <b>(Ln<sup>3+</sup>)</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-O1</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-O2</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-O3</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-O4</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-O5</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-O6</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>	<b>d<sub>Ln-OW1</sub></b> <b>[Å]</b>
0 (La)	2.542(2)	2.517(2)	2.5172(16)	2.437(2)	2.466(2)		2.551(2)
1 (Ce)	2.448(2)	2.497(2)	2.472(2)	2.461(2)	2.446(2)		2.511(3)
2 (Pr) <sup>1</sup>	2.435(2)	2.450(2)	2.471(2)	2.424(2)	2.428(2)		2.497(2)
3 (Nd)	2.419(2)	2.4391(19)	2.456(2)	2.3995(19)	2.408(2)		2.488(2)
4 (Pm)							
5 (Sm)	2.4086(14)	2.5270(14)	2.3840(14)	2.3307(15)	2.3783(14)	2.3743(14)	
6 (Eu) <sup>2</sup>	2.397(7)	2.526(5)	2.360(5)	2.323(6)	2.390(6)	2.355(8)	
7 (Gd)	2.3883(15)	2.5063(16)	2.3567(16)	2.3069(16)	2.3526(16)	2.3516(16)	
8 (Tb) <sup>3</sup>	2.379(5)	2.487(5)	2.341(5)	2.280(6)	2.330(5)	2.322(6)	
9 (Dy) <sup>4</sup>	2.357(4)	2.476(4)	2.320(4)	2.276(4)	2.321(4)	2.316(4)	
10 (Ho)	2.3484(17)	2.4761(17)	2.3115(17)	2.2705(17)	2.3141(17)	2.3125(16)	
11 (Er)	2.3354(17)	2.4671(17)	2.3030(16)	2.2588(17)	2.3024(17)	2.2994(17)	
12 (Tm)	2.324(2)	2.459(2)	2.291(2)	2.249(2)	2.294(2)	2.2841(19)	
13 (Yb)	2.314(2)	2.453(2)	2.281(2)	2.242(2)	2.285(2)	2.272(2)	
14 (Lu)	2.309(3)	2.449(3)	2.267(3)	2.230(3)	2.269(3)	2.263(3)	
0* (Y)	2.3436(19)	2.470(2)	2.3131(19)	2.268(2)	2.3075(19)	2.306(2)	

Naming convention from literature examples were different than those used as part of this work so transformations are noted here.

1. From Li et. al. Chin. J. Inorg. Chem.<sup>2</sup> O5→O1, O7→O2, O4→O3, O3→O4, O1→O5, O6→OW1

2. From Jin. et. al. J. Rare Earths.<sup>3</sup> O4→O1, O3→O2, O6→O3, O5→O4, O2→O5, O1→O6

3. From Wang et. al. Chin. J. Inorg. Chem.<sup>4</sup> O5→O3, O6→O4, O4→O5, O3→O6

4. From Zhange Acta E.<sup>5</sup> O4→O1, O3→O2, O6→O3, O5→O4, O1→O5, O2→O6

#### IV. Tables of Supramolecular Interaction Distances

**Table S2:** Cl- $\pi$  interaction distances and angles in Ln<sup>3+</sup> complexes (**4-11**) with *p*-chlorobenzoic acid and 1,10-phenanthroline.

Complex	Cl- $\pi$ distance [Å]
4 (Sm)	3.286(3)
5 (Gd)	3.288(4)
6 (Ho)	3.276(4)
7 (Er)	3.275(4)
8 (Tm)	3.273(4)
9 (Yb)	3.268(5)
10 (Lu)	3.265(7)
11 (Y)	3.280(4)

**Table S3:**  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interaction distances and angles in Ln<sup>3+</sup> complexes (**1-11**) with *p*-chlorobenzoic acid and 1,10-phenanthroline.

Complex	Cg $\bullet\bullet\bullet$ Cg [Å]	Cg $\perp\bullet\bullet\bullet$ Cg $\perp$ [Å]	Beta [deg]
1 (La)	3.667(2)	3.3947(14)	22.23
2 (Ce)	3.717(3)	3.4270(19)	25.21
3 (Nd)	3.739(2)	3.3722(15)	23.41
4 (Sm)	3.5465(13)	3.3783(9)	17.72
5 (Gd)	3.5473(15)	3.3704(10)	18.17
6 (Ho)	3.5447(16)	3.3542(11)	18.87
7 (Er)	3.5446(15)	3.3494(11)	19.11
8 (Tm)	3.5490(19)	3.3507(13)	19.24
9 (Yb)	3.546(2)	3.3495(15)	19.17
10 (Lu)	3.543(3)	3.333(2)	19.88
11 (Y)	3.5447(19)	3.3532(13)	18.92

#### V. Low Temperature XRD Data

**Table S4:** Representative low temperature (100K) single crystal XRD data for structure types I-III.

	<b>Structure Type I- La (complex 1)</b>	<b>Structure Type II- Ce (complex 2)</b>	<b>Structure Type III- Yb (complex 9)</b>
chem formula	C <sub>66</sub> H <sub>44</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>14</sub> La <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>66</sub> H <sub>44</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>14</sub> Ce <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>66</sub> H <sub>40</sub> Cl <sub>6</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>12</sub> Yb <sub>2</sub>
formula weight	1607.57	1609.99	1639.80
cryst system	triclinic	triclinic	triclinic
space group	P-1	P-1	P-1
<i>a</i> (Å)	9.9879(15)	8.354(3)	9.957(3)
<i>b</i> (Å)	12.5775(19)	12.787(4)	11.686(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	13.1024(19)	15.315(5)	14.147(5)
<i>α</i> (deg)	99.015(2)	99.319(7)	111.258(5)
<i>β</i> (deg)	100.668(2)	100.245(6)	96.102(4)
<i>γ</i> (deg)	95.998(3)	100.713(6)	101.549(5)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1582.3(4)	1549.5(9)	1474.0(9)
<i>Z</i>	1	1	1
<i>T</i> (K)	100	100	100
<i>λ</i> (Mo Kα)	0.71073	0.71073	0.71073
<i>D</i> <sub>calc</sub> (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	1.687	1.725	1.847
<i>μ</i> (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	1.655	1.780	3.495
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0524	0.0994	0.0752
R1 [ <i>I</i> >2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0312	0.0540	0.0416
wR2 [ <i>I</i> >2σ( <i>I</i> )]	0.0720	0.1263	0.0888

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