

Electronic Supplementary Information

**Metal-organic frameworks constructed from flexible ditopic ligands:  
5 conformational diversity of an aliphatic ligand**

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**Table S1** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) of **1**.

Mn(1)-O(1A)	2.131(2)	Mn(2)-O(2A)	2.068(2)
Mn(1)-O(4A) <sup>#1</sup>	2.132(2)	Mn(2)-O(3A) <sup>#5</sup>	2.085(2)
Mn(1)-O(1B)	2.175(2)	Mn(2)-O(1C)	2.137(2)
Mn(1)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	2.189(2)	Mn(2)-O(2B)	2.212(2)
Mn(1)-O(2B) <sup>#3</sup>	2.258(2)	Mn(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	2.253(2)
Mn(1)-O(4B) <sup>#4</sup>	2.261(2)	Mn(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	2.380(2)
O(1A)-Mn(1)-O(4A) <sup>#1</sup>	175.14(8)	O(2A)-Mn(2)-O(3A) <sup>#5</sup>	94.56(8)
O(1A)-Mn(1)-O(1B)	90.47(8)	O(2A)-Mn(2)-O(1C)	99.95(9)
O(4A) <sup>#1</sup> -Mn(1)-O(1B)	90.61(8)	O(3A) <sup>#5</sup> -Mn(2)-O(1C)	88.85(9)
O(1A)-Mn(1)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	93.44(8)	O(2A)-Mn(2)-O(2B)	101.47(8)
O(4A) <sup>#1</sup> -Mn(1)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	91.29(8)	O(3A) <sup>#5</sup> -Mn(2)-O(2B)	87.49(8)
O(1B)-Mn(1)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	90.39(8)	O(1C)-Mn(2)-O(2B)	158.49(8)
O(1A)-Mn(1)-O(2B) <sup>#3</sup>	84.95(7)	O(2A)-Mn(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	101.63(8)
O(4A) <sup>#1</sup> -Mn(1)-O(2B) <sup>#3</sup>	90.20(7)	O(3A) <sup>#5</sup> -Mn(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	163.74(8)
O(1B)-Mn(1)-O(2B) <sup>#3</sup>	100.63(8)	O(1C)-Mn(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	89.86(8)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Mn(1)-O(2B) <sup>#3</sup>	168.87(7)	O(2B)-Mn(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	87.79(7)
O(1A)-Mn(1)-O(4B) <sup>#4</sup>	89.54(7)	O(2A)-Mn(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	157.77(7)
O(4A) <sup>#1</sup> -Mn(1)-O(4B) <sup>#4</sup>	89.19(8)	O(3A) <sup>#5</sup> -Mn(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	107.18(7)
O(1B)-Mn(1)-O(4B) <sup>#4</sup>	177.62(8)	O(1C)-Mn(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	85.41(8)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Mn(1)-O(4B) <sup>#4</sup>	91.99(7)	O(2B)-Mn(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	75.48(7)
O(2B) <sup>#3</sup> -Mn(1)-O(4B) <sup>#4</sup>	77.00(7)	O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Mn(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	56.56(7)

<sup>a</sup> Symmetry transformation used to generate equivalent atoms:

<sup>#1</sup> x,-y+3/2,z+1/2   <sup>#2</sup> x+1,y,z   <sup>#3</sup> x,-y+3/2,z-1/2   <sup>#4</sup> x+1,-y+3/2,z-1/2   <sup>#5</sup> x,y,z+1

**Table S2** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) of **2**.

Co(1)-O(2B)	2.046(3)	Co(2)-O(1B)	2.024(3)
Co(1)-O(3A) <sup>#1</sup>	2.059(3)	Co(2)-O(2A) <sup>#4</sup>	2.038(3)
Co(1)-O(1A)	2.070(3)	Co(2)-O(1C)	2.106(3)
Co(1)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	2.103(3)	Co(2)-O(3B) <sup>#5</sup>	2.110(3)
Co(1)-O(3B) <sup>#3</sup>	2.143(3)	Co(2)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	2.116(3)
Co(1)-O(4B) <sup>#3</sup>	2.198(3)	Co(2)-O(1A)	2.139(3)
O(2B)-Co(1)-O(3A) <sup>#1</sup>	169.62(15)	O(1B)-Co(2)-O(2A) <sup>#4</sup>	175.32(15)
O(2B)-Co(1)-O(1A)	93.69(13)	O(1B)-Co(2)-O(1C)	89.64(14)
O(3A) <sup>#1</sup> -Co(1)-O(1A)	95.73(13)	O(2A) <sup>#4</sup> -Co(2)-O(1C)	87.14(14)
O(2B)-Co(1)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	90.41(13)	O(1B)-Co(2)-O(3B) <sup>#5</sup>	92.50(13)
O(3A) <sup>#1</sup> -Co(1)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	87.08(13)	O(2A) <sup>#4</sup> -Co(2)-O(3B) <sup>#5</sup>	90.81(13)
O(1A)-Co(1)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	79.29(13)	O(1C)-Co(2)-O(3B) <sup>#5</sup>	88.50(13)
O(2B)-Co(1)-O(3B) <sup>#3</sup>	93.35(13)	O(1B)-Co(2)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	88.37(13)
O(3A) <sup>#1</sup> -Co(1)-O(3B) <sup>#3</sup>	88.25(13)	O(2A) <sup>#4</sup> -Co(2)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	94.76(13)
O(1A)-Co(1)-O(3B) <sup>#3</sup>	105.91(13)	O(1C)-Co(2)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	177.55(14)
O(4A) <sup>#2</sup> -Co(1)-O(3B) <sup>#3</sup>	173.35(13)	O(3B) <sup>#5</sup> -Co(2)-O(4A) <sup>#2</sup>	93.02(13)
O(2B)-Co(1)-O(4B) <sup>#3</sup>	88.14(13)	O(1B)-Co(2)-O(1A)	87.92(13)
O(3A) <sup>#1</sup> -Co(1)-O(4B) <sup>#3</sup>	83.70(13)	O(2A) <sup>#4</sup> -Co(2)-O(1A)	89.37(13)
O(1A)-Co(1)-O(4B) <sup>#3</sup>	166.58(14)	O(1C)-Co(2)-O(1A)	101.02(13)
O(4A) <sup>#2</sup> -Co(1)-O(4B) <sup>#3</sup>	114.02(13)	O(3B) <sup>#5</sup> -Co(2)-O(1A)	170.48(13)
O(3B) <sup>#3</sup> -Co(1)-O(4B) <sup>#3</sup>	60.69(13)	O(4A) <sup>#2</sup> -Co(2)-O(1A)	77.49(13)

<sup>a</sup> Symmetry transformation used to generate equivalent atoms:

<sup>s</sup> <sup>#1</sup> -x+3/2,-y,z+1/2   <sup>#2</sup> y+3/4,-x+3/4,z+3/4   <sup>#3</sup> -x+2,-y,-z+1   <sup>#4</sup> -y+3/4,x-3/4,z+1/4   <sup>#5</sup> y+3/4, -x+5/4,-z+5/4

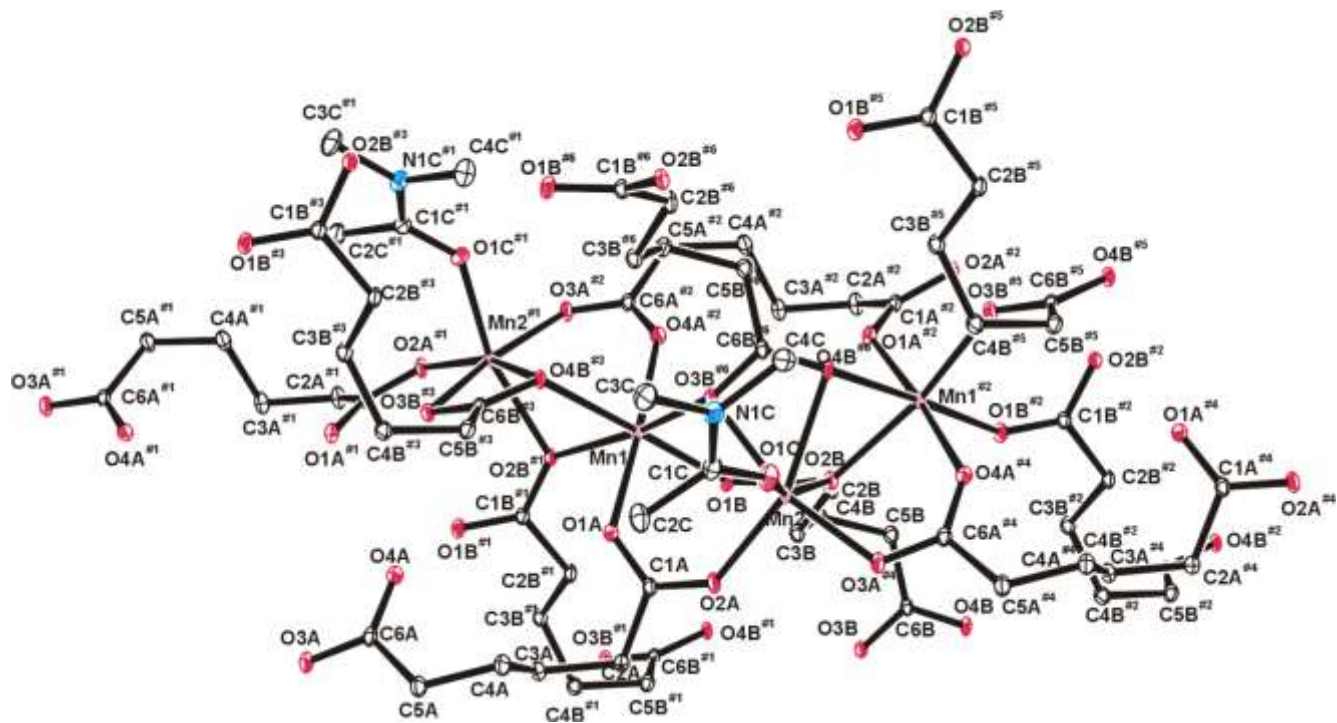
**Table S3** Selected bond distances (Å) and angles (deg) of **3**.

Tb(1)-O(2F) <sup>#1</sup>	2.290(4)	Tb(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	2.445(4)
Tb(1)-O(1B)	2.330(4)	Tb(2)-O(2C)	2.447(4)
Tb(1)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	2.340(4)	Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	2.607(4)
Tb(1)-O(1G)	2.350(5)	Tb(2)-O(1C)	2.643(4)
Tb(1)-O(2E) <sup>#1</sup>	2.375(4)	Tb(3)-O(4A) <sup>#4</sup>	2.282(4)
Tb(1)-O(4D) <sup>#3</sup>	2.417(4)	Tb(3)-O(1F)	2.328(4)
Tb(1)-O(1A)	2.425(4)	Tb(3)-O(2C)	2.352(4)
Tb(1)-O(2A)	2.508(4)	Tb(3)-O(1E)	2.390(4)
Tb(2)-O(2B)	2.357(4)	Tb(3)-O(2D)	2.443(4)
Tb(2)-O(3A) <sup>#4</sup>	2.377(4)	Tb(3)-O(4D) <sup>#5</sup>	2.452(4)
Tb(2)-O(1H)	2.397(5)	Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	2.499(4)
Tb(2)-O(1D)	2.407(3)	Tb(3)-O(1D)	2.514(3)
Tb(2)-O(2A)	2.411(4)	Tb(3)-O(2E)	2.597(4)
O(2F) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1B)	100.72(16)	O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	145.97(13)
O(2F) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	81.71(14)	O(1H)-Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	113.33(18)
O(1B)-Tb(1)-O(3B)+	75.11(14)	O(1D)-Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	120.31(12)
O(2F) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1G)	90.21(19)	O(2A)-Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	68.13(12)
O(1B)-Tb(1)-O(1G)	143.82(15)	O(4B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	51.00(12)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1G)	72.50(15)	O(2C)-Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	111.45(13)
O(2F) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(2E) <sup>#1</sup>	77.83(15)	O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(1C)	141.83(14)
O(1B)-Tb(1)-O(2E) <sup>#1</sup>	75.31(13)	O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(1C)	138.20(15)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(1)-O(2E) <sup>#1</sup>	139.88(14)	O(1H)-Tb(2)-O(1C)	68.39(17)
O(1G)-Tb(1)-O(2E) <sup>#1</sup>	140.87(15)	O(1D)-Tb(2)-O(1C)	112.23(13)
O(2F) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(4D) <sup>#3</sup>	85.20(14)	O(2A)-Tb(2)-O(1C)	100.25(13)
O(1B)-Tb(1)-O(4D) <sup>#3</sup>	142.16(13)	O(4B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(2)-O(1C)	69.19(14)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(1)-O(4D) <sup>#3</sup>	142.46(14)	O(2C)-Tb(2)-O(1C)	50.59(12)
O(1G)-Tb(1)-O(4D) <sup>#3</sup>	72.52(15)	O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(2)-O(1C)	69.63(13)
O(2E) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(4D) <sup>#3</sup>	69.47(13)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(1F)	81.56(15)
O(2F) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1A)	155.12(14)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(2C)	79.47(14)
O(1B)-Tb(1)-O(1A)	83.21(15)	O(1F)-Tb(3)-O(2C)	143.12(14)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1A)	122.74(13)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(1E)	148.35(14)
O(1G)-Tb(1)-O(1A)	101.07(17)	O(1F)-Tb(3)-O(1E)	127.79(14)
O(2E) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1A)	79.51(13)	O(2C)-Tb(3)-O(1E)	80.58(13)
O(4D) <sup>#3</sup> -Tb(1)-O(1A)	77.33(13)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(2D)	123.86(14)

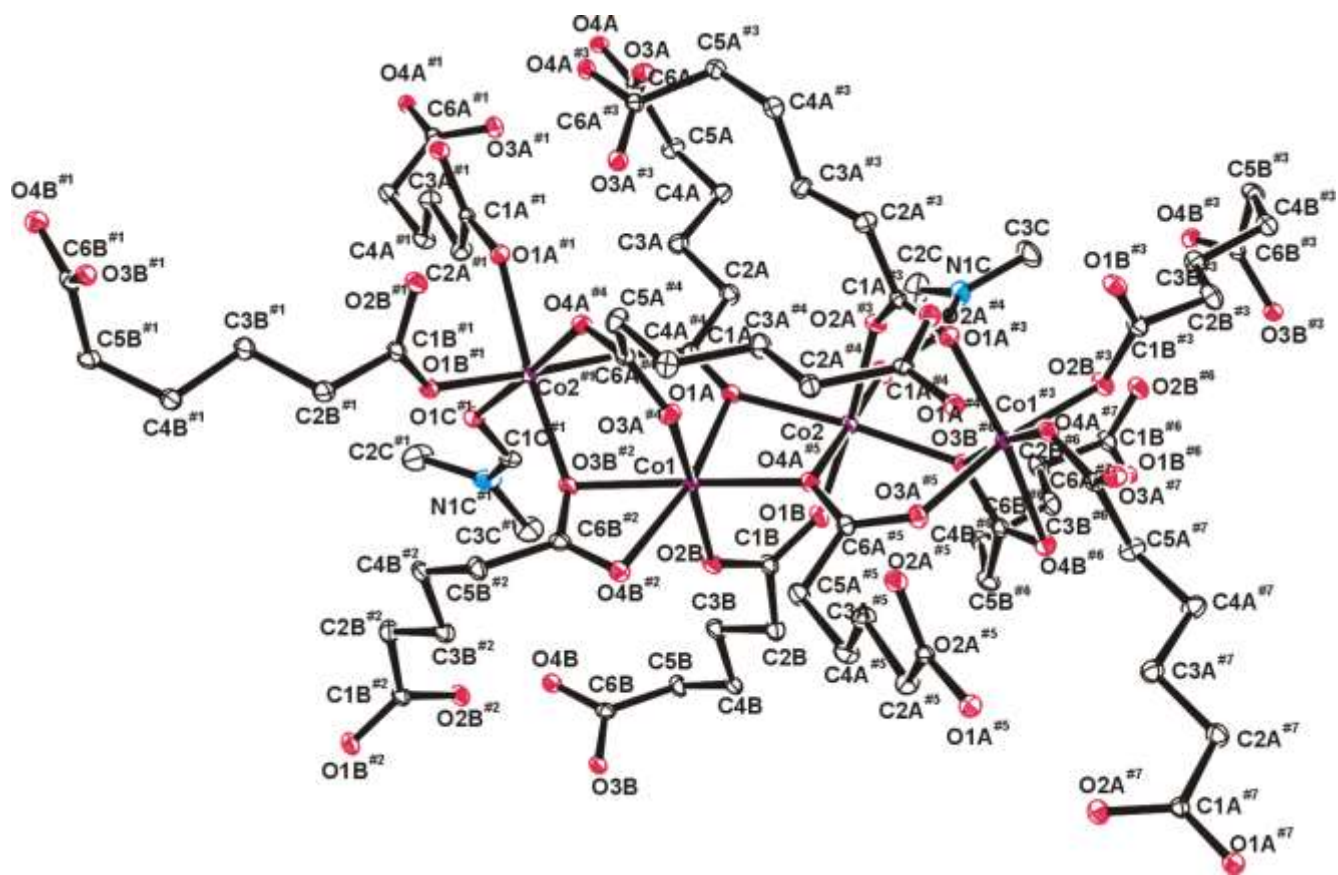
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O(1B)-Tb(1)-O(2A)	75.98(13)	O(2C)-Tb(3)-O(2D)	86.53(14)
O(3B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(1)-O(2A)	70.90(13)	O(1E)-Tb(3)-O(2D)	78.90(14)
O(1G)-Tb(1)-O(2A)	78.55(16)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(4D) <sup>#5</sup>	89.82(14)
O(2E) <sup>#1</sup> -Tb(1)-O(2A)	126.05(13)	O(1F)-Tb(3)-O(4D) <sup>#5</sup>	78.46(14)
O(4D) <sup>#3</sup> -Tb(1)-O(2A)	114.49(12)	O(2C)-Tb(3)-O(4D) <sup>#5</sup>	132.47(12)
O(1A)-Tb(1)-O(2A)	52.46(13)	O(1E)-Tb(3)-O(4D) <sup>#5</sup>	85.79(13)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(3A) <sup>#4</sup>	79.78(15)	O(2D)-Tb(3)-O(4D) <sup>#5</sup>	134.94(13)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(1H)	138.92(16)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	75.36(15)
O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(1H)	74.39(18)	O(1F)-Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	124.73(15)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(1D)	77.73(12)	O(2C)-Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	80.13(13)
O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(1D)	72.91(13)	O(1E)-Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	77.21(14)
O(1H)-Tb(2)-O(1D)	122.53(17)	O(2D)-Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	154.20(16)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(2A)	75.07(13)	O(4D) <sup>#5</sup> -Tb(3)-O(3D) <sup>#5</sup>	52.42(12)
O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(2A)	84.84(14)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(1D)	72.26(13)
O(1H)-Tb(2)-O(2A)	71.33(16)	O(1F)-Tb(3)-O(1D)	77.27(13)
O(1D)-Tb(2)-O(2A)	147.42(13)	O(2C)-Tb(3)-O(1D)	66.94(12)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	79.80(15)	O(1E)-Tb(3)-O(1D)	120.98(13)
O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	143.34(14)	O(2D)-Tb(3)-O(1D)	52.40(12)
O(1H)-Tb(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	137.54(17)	O(4D) <sup>#5</sup> -Tb(3)-O(1D)	151.61(13)
O(1D)-Tb(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	73.19(13)	O(3D) <sup>#5</sup> -Tb(3)-O(1D)	137.06(12)
O(2A)-Tb(2)-O(4B) <sup>#2</sup>	118.43(12)	O(4A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(3)-O(2E)	149.58(13)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(2C)	141.97(13)	O(1F)-Tb(3)-O(2E)	76.53(13)
O(3A) <sup>#4</sup> -Tb(2)-O(2C)	102.58(14)	O(2C)-Tb(3)-O(2E)	130.08(13)
O(1H)-Tb(2)-O(2C)	75.68(15)	O(1E)-Tb(3)-O(2E)	51.82(12)
O(1D)-Tb(2)-O(2C)	67.21(12)	O(2D)-Tb(3)-O(2E)	71.91(12)
O(2A)-Tb(2)-O(2C)	142.77(13)	O(4D) <sup>#5</sup> -Tb(3)-O(2E)	65.41(12)
O(4B) <sup>#2</sup> -Tb(2)-O(2C)	76.47(13)	O(3D) <sup>#5</sup> -Tb(3)-O(2E)	100.19(13)
O(2B)-Tb(2)-O(3B) <sup>#2</sup>	73.70(13)	O(1D)-Tb(3)-O(2E)	121.89(12)

<sup>a</sup> Symmetry transformation used to generate equivalent atoms:

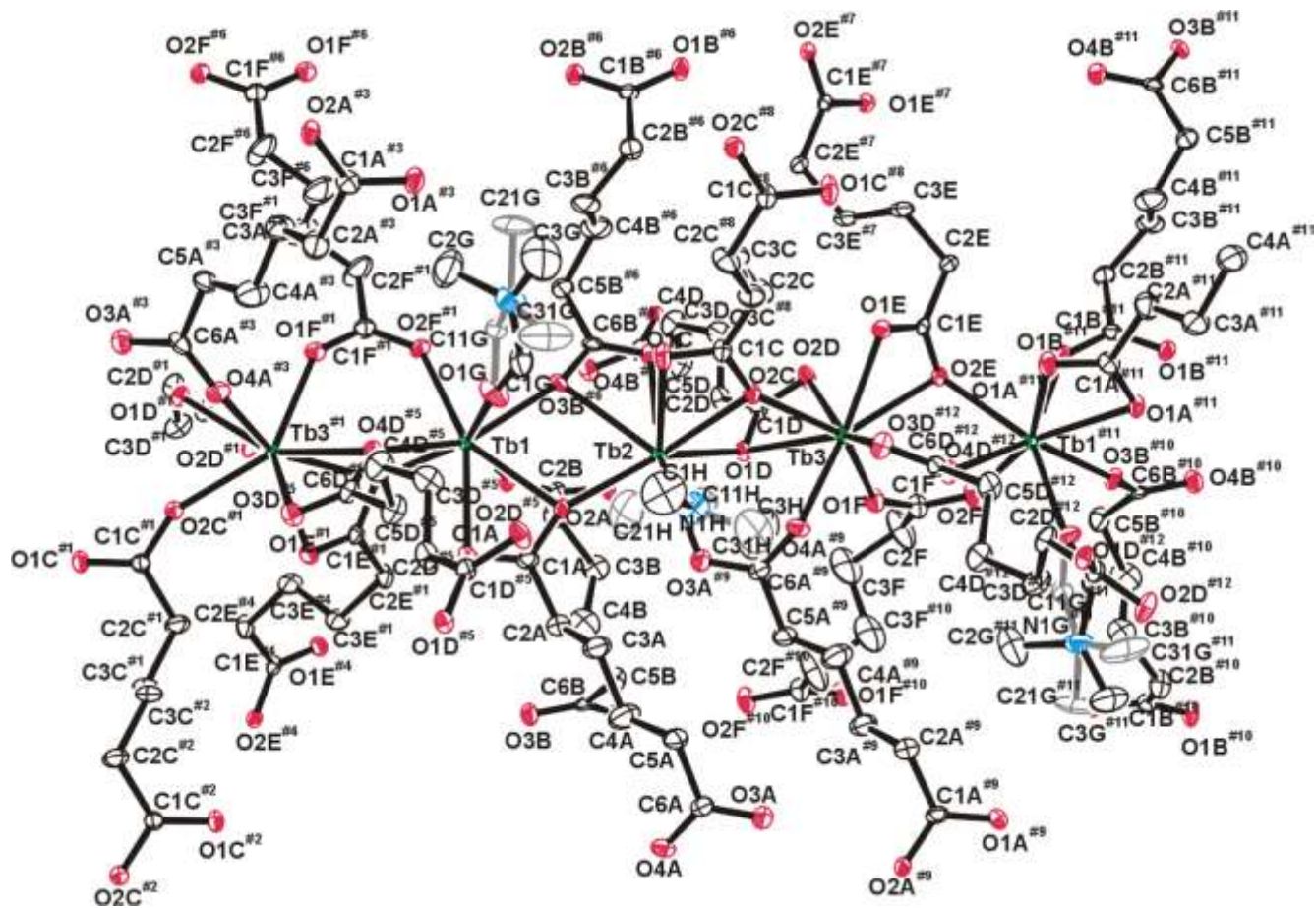
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**Fig. S1** An ORTEP drawing of **1** with atomic numbering scheme (thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability). Symmetry operation: <sup>#1</sup> x, -y+3/2, z-1/2 <sup>#2</sup> x, -y+3/2, z+1/2 <sup>#3</sup> x+1, -y+3/2, z-1/2 <sup>#4</sup> 1+x, y, z <sup>#5</sup> x+1, -y+3/2, z+1/2 <sup>#6</sup> x+1, y, z.

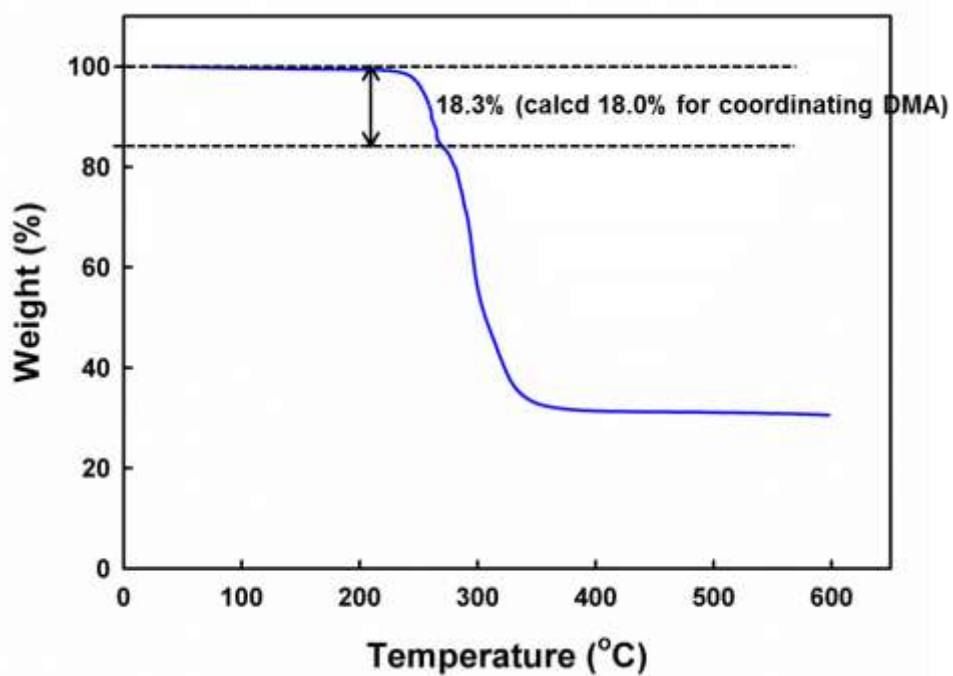


**Fig. S2** An ORTEP drawing of **2** with atomic numbering scheme (thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability). Symmetry operation: #1  $y+3/4, -x+3/4, z-1/4$  #2  $-x+2, -y, -z+1$  #3  $-y+3/4, x-3/4, z+1/4$  #4  $-x+3/2, -y, z+1/2$  #5  $y+3/4, -x+3/4, z+3/4$  #6  $y+3/4, -x+5/4, z+5/4$  #7  $x, y, z+1$ .



**Fig. S3** An ORTEP drawing of **3** with atomic numbering scheme (thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability). DMF coordinating to Tb 1 is disordered. Symmetry operation: <sup>#1</sup>  $x+1/2, -y+3/2, z-1/2$  <sup>#2</sup>  $-x+2/5, y+1/2, -z+3/2$  <sup>#3</sup>  $-x+5/2, y-1/2, -z+3/2$  <sup>#4</sup>  $-x+3/2, y+1/2, -z+3/2$  <sup>#5</sup>  $x+1, y, z$  <sup>#6</sup>  $-x+3/2, y-1/2, -z+3/2$  <sup>#7</sup>  $-x+1, -y+1, -z+2$  <sup>#8</sup>  $-x+2, -y+1, -z+2$  <sup>#9</sup>  $-x+2, -y+2, -z+2$  <sup>#10</sup>  $-x+1, -y+2, -z+2$  <sup>#11</sup>  $x-1/2, -y+3/2, z+1/2$  <sup>#12</sup>  $x+1/2, -y+3/2, z+1/2$ .





**Fig. S4** TGA trace for **1**.

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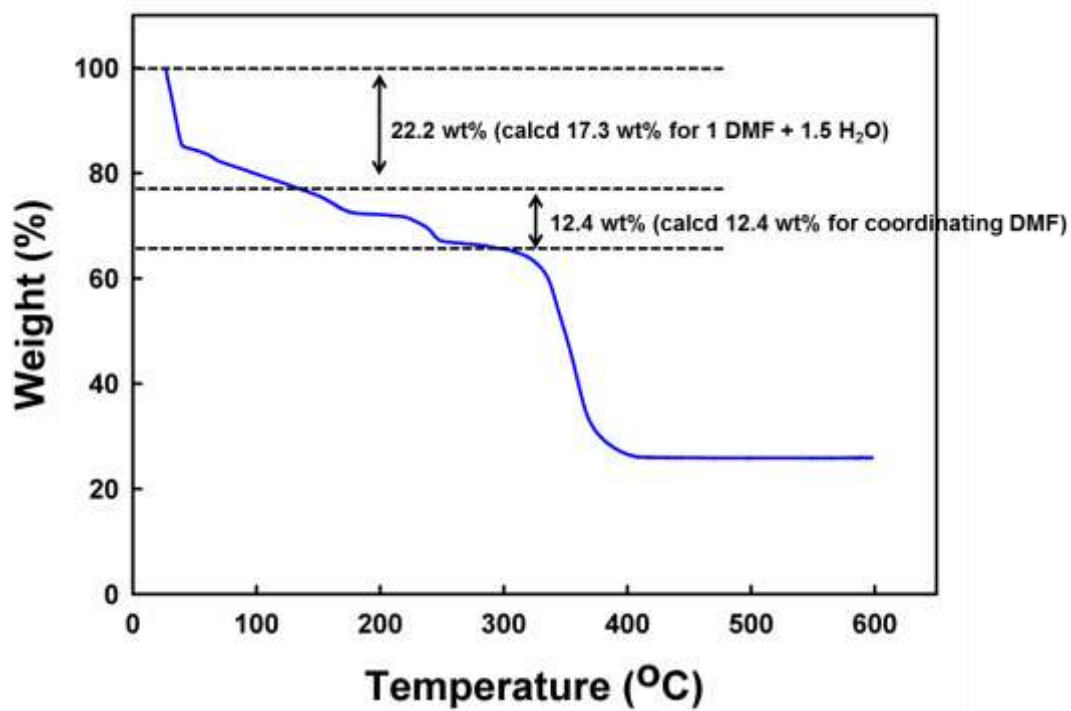
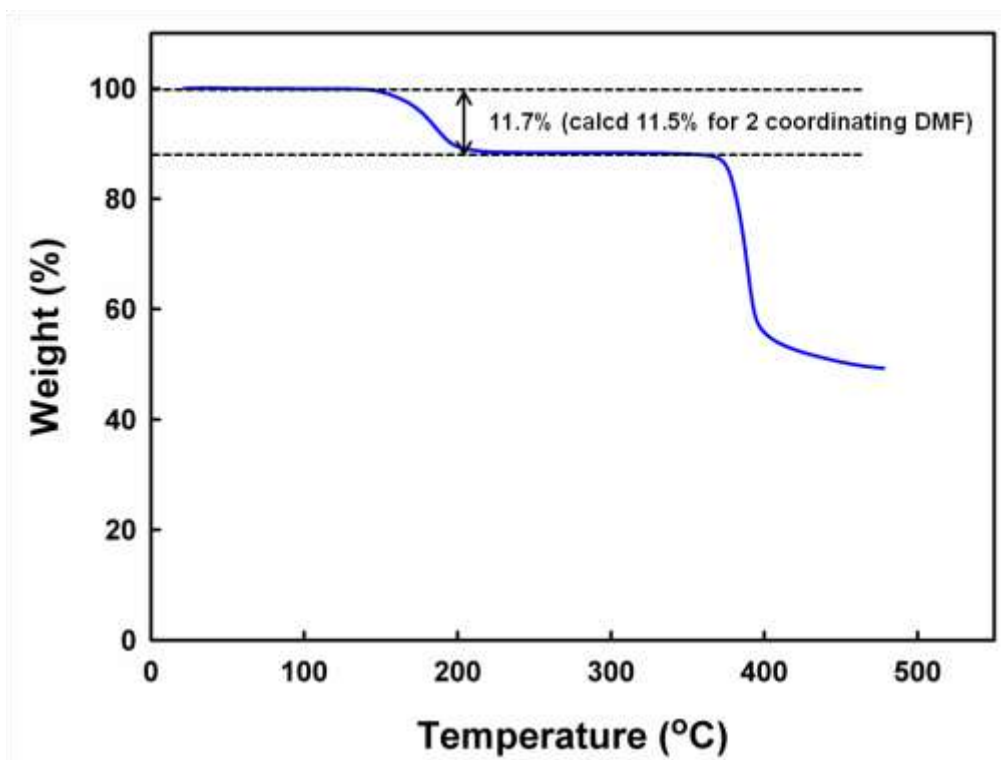


Fig. S5 TGA trace for 2.



**Fig. S6** TGA trace for **3**.