## **Supporting Information**

## The effect of magnetic coupling on magneto-caloric behaviour in two 3D Gd(III)glycolate coordination polymers

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Fig. S1 Simulated and experimental X-ray powder diffraction patterns for 1 (left) and 2 (right).



Fig. S2 Temperature-dependent  $S_m/R$  in selected applied fields for 1 (a) and 2 (b). Lines are guides to the eyes.

Complex	1	2
Formula	$C_4H_9GdO_8$	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>9</sub> GdO <sub>9</sub>
$M_r$	342.36	382.38
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/c$	$P2_1$
<i>a</i> [Å]	6.2789(3)	8.1242(11)
<i>b</i> [Å]	9.0295(6)	8.0394(13)
<i>c</i> [Å]	14.8336(9)	8.4324(12)
α[°]	90	90
β[°]	92.585(2)	117.490(4)
γ[°]	90	90
<i>V</i> [Å <sup>3</sup> ]	840.14(9)	488.57(13)
Ζ	4	2
$ ho_{ m calcd}[ m mm^{-3}]$	2.707	2.599
<i>T</i> [K]	150	150
Goof on F <sup>2</sup>	1.035	1.099
$\mathbf{R}_{1}[\mathbf{I} \ge 2\sigma(\mathbf{I})]^{[a]}$	0.0292	0.0423
wR <sub>2</sub> [all data] <sup>[b]</sup>	0.0729	0.1001

 Table S1. Crystallographic Data and Structural Refinements for 1 and 2.

 $\boxed{[\mathbf{a}] R_1 = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|, [\mathbf{b}] wR_2 = [\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / w(F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}}.$