

Synthesis, Structure, and Photoluminescent Behavior of Molecular Lanthanide-2-Thiophenecarboxylate -2,2':6',2''-Terpyridine Materials

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Synthetic Details

$[La_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.79H_2O$ (**La-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 93.4 mg $LaCl_3 \cdot 7H_2O$ (252 μ mol), 61.5 mg terpy (264 μ mol), and 99.0 mg 2-HTC (773 μ mol). Small, colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 72% yield (144 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{45.58}N_6O_{14.79}S_6La_2$: C, 46.27; H, 2.95; N, 5.40. Found: C, 46.13; H, 2.90; N, 5.38.

$[Ce_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.69H_2O$ (**Ce-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 96.2 mg $CeCl_3 \cdot 7H_2O$ (258 μ mol), 58.8 mg terpy (252 μ mol), and 98.6 mg 2-HTC (769 μ mol). Large yellow rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in an 85% yield (167 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{45.38}N_6O_{14.69}S_6Ce_2$: C, 46.25; H, 2.94; N, 5.39. Found: C, 46.19; H, 2.70; N, 5.34.

$[Pr_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.64H_2O$ (**Pr-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 92.3 mg $PrCl_3 \cdot 7H_2O$ (247 μ mol), 57.5 mg terpy (246 μ mol), and 98.5 mg 2-HTC (769 μ mol). Large pale green rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 79% yield (152 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{45.28}N_6O_{14.64}S_6Pr_2$: C, 46.23; H, 2.93; N, 5.39. Found: C, 46.23; H, 2.82; N, 5.34.

$[Nd_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.63H_2O$ (**Nd-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 46.1 mg Nd_2O_3 (137 μ mol), 61.3 mg terpy (263 μ mol), and 97.4 mg 2-HTC (760 μ mol). Large colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 90% yield (178 μ mol). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{45.26}N_6O_{14.63}S_6Nd_2$: C, 46.04; H, 2.91; N, 5.37. Found: C, 46.05; H, 2.85; N, 5.19.

$[Sm_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.42H_2O$ (**Sm-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 100.7 mg $SmCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (276 μ mol), 59.3 mg terpy (254 μ mol), and 99.4 mg 2-HTC (776 μ mol). Large colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 75% yield (153 μ mol). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{44.84}N_6O_{14.42}S_6Sm_2$: C, 45.76; H, 2.88; N, 5.34. Found: C, 45.73; H, 2.75; N, 5.28.

$[Eu_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.43H_2O$ (**Eu-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 94.7 mg $EuCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (258 μ mol), 58.8 mg terpy (252 μ mol), and 100.2 mg 2-HTC (782 μ mol). Large colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in an 86% yield (171 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{44.86}N_6O_{14.43}S_6Eu_2$: C, 45.67; H, 2.87; N, 5.33. Found: C, 45.71; H, 2.73; N, 5.25.

$[Gd_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.37H_2O$ (**Gd-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 45.7 mg Gd_2O_3 (126 μ mol), 61.9 mg terpy (265 μ mol), and 98.5 mg 2-HTC (769 μ mol). Small colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 71% yield (142 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{44.74}N_6O_{14.37}S_6Gd_2$: C, 45.42; H, 2.84; N, 5.30. Found: C, 45.36; H, 2.80; N, 5.23.

$[Tb_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.34H_2O$ (**Tb-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 95.5 mg $TbCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (256 μ mol), 57.9 mg terpy (248 μ mol), and 96.8 mg 2-HTC (755 μ mol). Large colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration,

washed with water, dried, and collected in a 77% yield (152 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{44.68}N_6O_{14.34}S_6Tb_2$: C, 45.33; H, 2.84; N, 5.29. Found: C, 45.28; H, 2.74; N, 5.22.

$[Dy_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.30H_2O$ (**Dy-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 101.4 mg $DyCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (269 μ mol), 60.8 mg terpy (260 μ mol), and 99.8 mg 2-HTC (779 μ mol). Small colorless rhombus-shaped crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 71% yield (148 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{44.60}N_6O_{14.30}S_6Dy_2$: C, 45.16; H, 2.82; N, 5.27. Found: C, 45.13; H, 2.72; N, 5.20.

$[Ho_2(terpy)_2(TC)_6(H_2O)_2] \cdot 0.30H_2O$ (**Ho-1**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 96.3 mg $HoCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (254 μ mol), 59.5 mg terpy (255 μ mol), and 99.8 mg 2-HTC (771 μ mol). Small pink rhombus-shaped crystals were manually separated from the bulk product and used directly for single-crystal X-ray diffraction studies. Subsequent analysis of the bulk reaction product via powder X-ray diffraction showed that **Ho-1** was not the sole reaction product; the second phase was later identified to be isomorphous with **Er-3**.

$[Ho_2(terpy)_2(TC)_5(H_2O)_2]TC$ (**Ho-2**). The dimer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 46.7 mg Ho_2O_3 (124 μ mol), 60.0 mg terpy (257 μ mol), and 98.6 mg 2-HTC (769 μ mol). Large pale pink block crystals were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 68% yield (134 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{60}H_{44}N_6O_{14}S_6Ho_2$: C, 45.10; H, 2.79; N, 5.26. Found: C, 45.38; H, 2.63; N, 4.99.

$[Er(terpy)(TC)_3(H_2O)]$ (**Er-3**). The monomer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 47.8 mg Er_2O_3 (125 μ mol), 58.6 mg terpy (251 μ mol), and 99.5 mg 2-HTC (776 μ mol). Large colorless rods were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in an 84% yield (168 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{22}N_3O_7S_3Er$: C, 45.04; H, 2.77; N, 5.25. Found: C, 45.12; H, 2.85; N, 5.35.

$[Tm(terpy)(TC)_3(H_2O)]$ (**Tm-4**). The monomer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 48.2 mg Tm_2O_3 (125 μ mol), 59.0 mg terpy (253 μ mol), and 98.3 mg 2-HTC (767 μ mol). Small colorless rods were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 59% yield (118 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{22}N_3O_7S_3Tm$: C, 44.95; H, 2.77; N, 5.24. Found: C, 44.82; H, 2.85; N, 5.20.

$[Yb(terpy)(TC)_3(H_2O)]$ (**Yb-4**). The monomer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 106.2 mg $YbCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (274 μ mol), 58.8 mg terpy (252 μ mol), and 98.5 mg 2-HTC (769 μ mol). Large colorless rods were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 72% yield (146 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{22}N_3O_7S_3Yb$: C, 44.72; H, 2.75; N, 5.22. Found: C, 44.62; H, 2.70; N, 5.20.

$[Lu(terpy)(TC)_3(H_2O)]$ (**Lu-4**). The monomer was synthesized according to the general procedure using 102.7 mg $LuCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (264 μ mol), 61.2 mg terpy (262 μ mol), and 100.6 mg 2-HTC (785 μ mol). Small colorless rods were collected by filtration, washed with water, dried, and collected in a 64% yield (135 mg). Elemental Analysis: Calcd. for $C_{30}H_{22}N_3O_7S_3Lu$: C, 44.61; H, 2.75; N, 5.20. Found: C, 44.38; H, 2.67; N, 5.13.

Crystallographic Refinement Details

Single crystals of each compound were mounted under paratone oil on a Mitegen micromount and immediately placed in a cold nitrogen stream prior to data collection. All single crystal data were collected on a Bruker D8 Quest equipped with a Photon100 CMOS detector and a Mo K α source. Data were collected using a combination of ϕ and ω scans and integrated with the Bruker SAINT program. Structure solutions were performed using the SHELXTL software suite. Intensities were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects and an empirical absorption correction was applied using SADABS v2014/4. Non-hydrogen atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters and hydrogen atoms were included in idealized positions unless otherwise noted. The thiophene ring portion of the TC ligand was disordered over two orientations, and the like S-C and C-C bonds were restrained to be similar. Outer coordination sphere water molecules were partially occupied and refined using as free variable commands. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to 0.86(2) Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions. Further comments on disorder models:

$[(\text{terpy})\text{La}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.79\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**La-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The *ipso*-carbon of disordered TC rings were constrained using EADP and EXYZ commands. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86 Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Ce}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.69\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Ce-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86 Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Pr}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.64\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Pr-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The *ipso*-carbon of the S2 and S3 TC rings were constrained using EADP and EXYZ commands. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86 Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Nd}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.63\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Nd-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The *ipso*-carbon of the S2 and S3 TC rings were constrained using EADP and EXYZ commands. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms of the bound water molecule were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions. The H atoms of the lattice water could not be located on the difference map, and were thus omitted.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Sm}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.42\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Sm-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Eu}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.43\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Eu-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. For atoms C20A, C28A, and S1A, ISOR commands were used to restrain the anisotropic displacement parameters to be more isotropic. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Gd}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.37\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Gd-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Tb}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.34\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Tb-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered

sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Dy}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.30\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Dy-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Ho}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})]_2 \cdot 0.32\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**Ho-1**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The unbound water molecule is partially occupied within the lattice structure and was refined using a free variable to determine the percent occupancy. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. For the lattice water oxygen (O8), an ISOR command was imposed to restrain the anisotropic displacement parameters to be more isotropic. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Ho}(\text{TC})_2(\mu\text{-TC})_2(\text{TC})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2\text{Ho}(\text{terpy})]\text{TC}$ (**Ho-2**).

The thiophene ring portion of all six coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The *ipso*-carbon of the S1 through S5 TC rings were constrained using EADP and EXYZ commands. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Er}(\text{TC})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})]$ (**Er-3**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

$[(\text{terpy})\text{Tm}(\text{TC})_3(\text{H}_2\text{O})]$ (**Tm-3**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. The *ipso*-carbon of all TC rings were constrained using EADP and EXYZ commands. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals

radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. For the TC sulfur S2B, an ISOR command was imposed to restrain the anisotropic displacement parameters to be more isotropic. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

[(terpy)Yb(TC)₃(H₂O)] (**Yb-3**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

[(terpy)Lu(TC)₃(H₂O)] (**Lu-3**).

The thiophene ring portion of all three coordinated TC ligands is disordered over two orientations. The like S-C and C-C bonds have been restrained to be similar. Similar displacement amplitudes were imposed on disordered sites overlapping by less than the sum of van der Waals radii. Rigid-bond restraints were also imposed on the molecule. For the TC atoms S1A and C18, ISOR commands were used to restrain the anisotropic displacement parameters to be more isotropic. The water H atoms were located in the difference map and the O-H distance was restrained to be 0.86Å. These H atoms refine to good hydrogen bonding positions.

Solid-State Crystal Structures

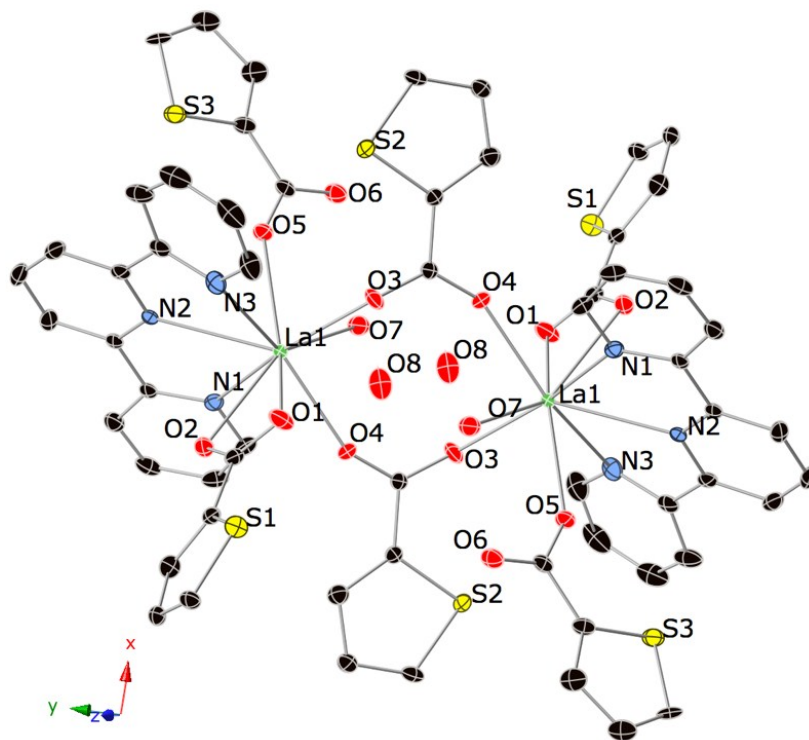


Figure S1. Thermal ellipsoid plot of **La-1**; thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level. Color code: La, green; S, yellow; O, red; N, light blue; C, black.

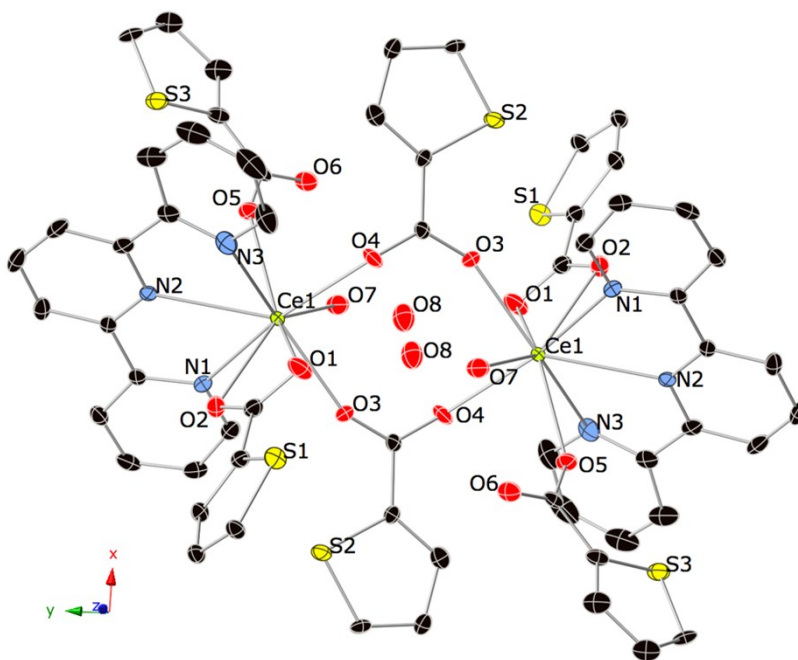


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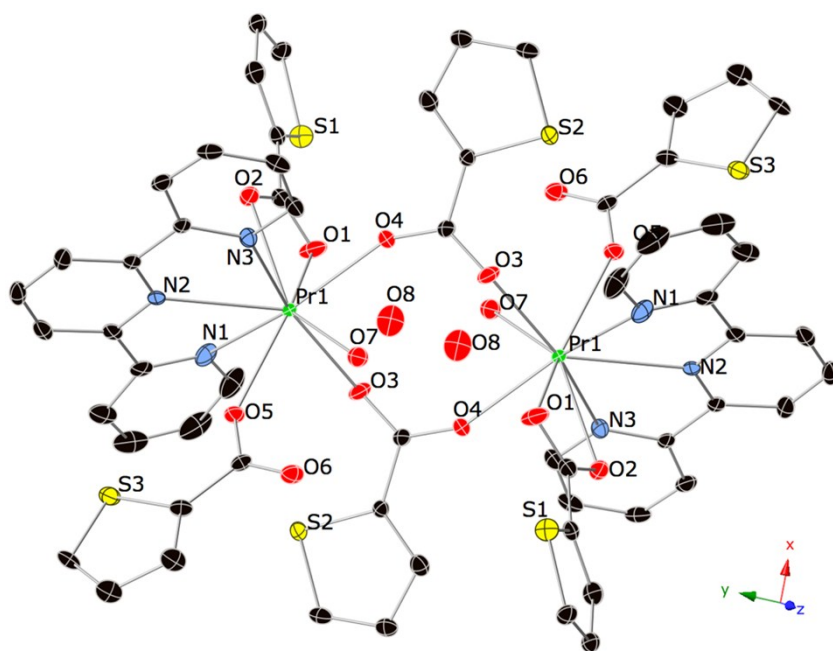


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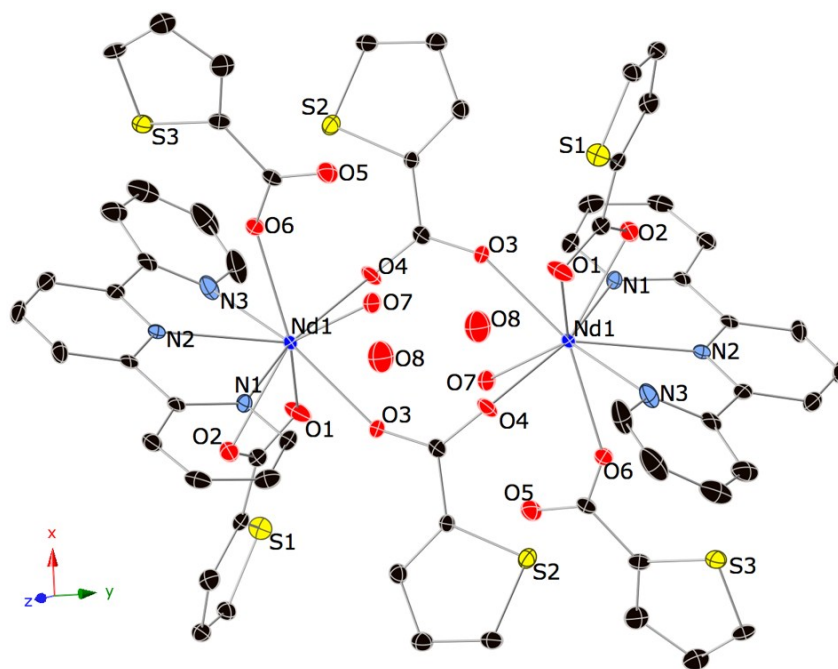


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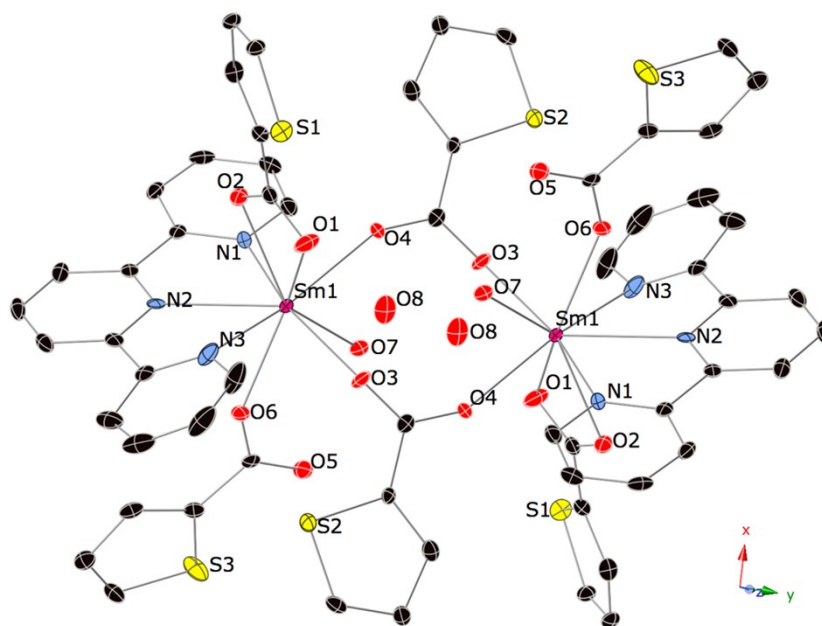


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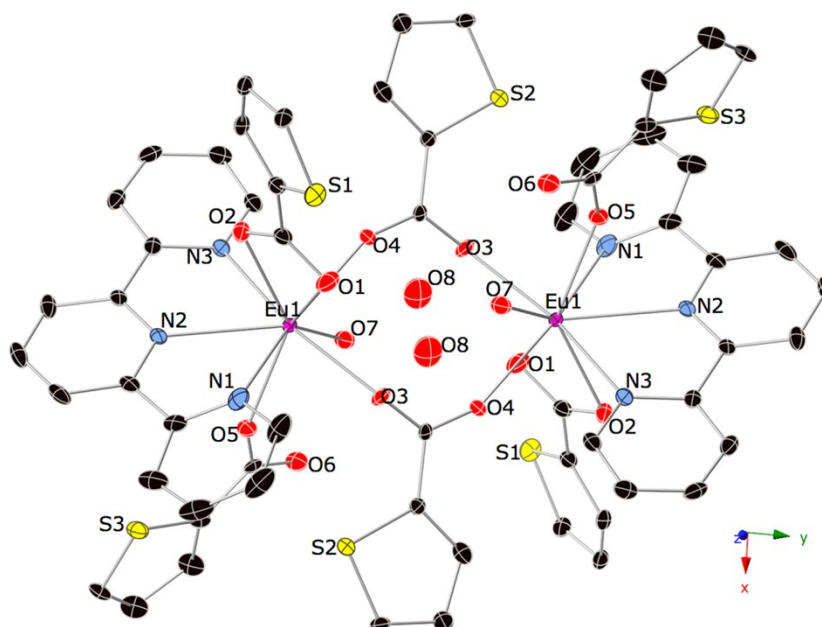


Figure S 6. Thermal ellipsoid plot of **Eu-1**; thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level. Color code: Eu, fuchsia; S, yellow; O, red; N, light blue; C, black.

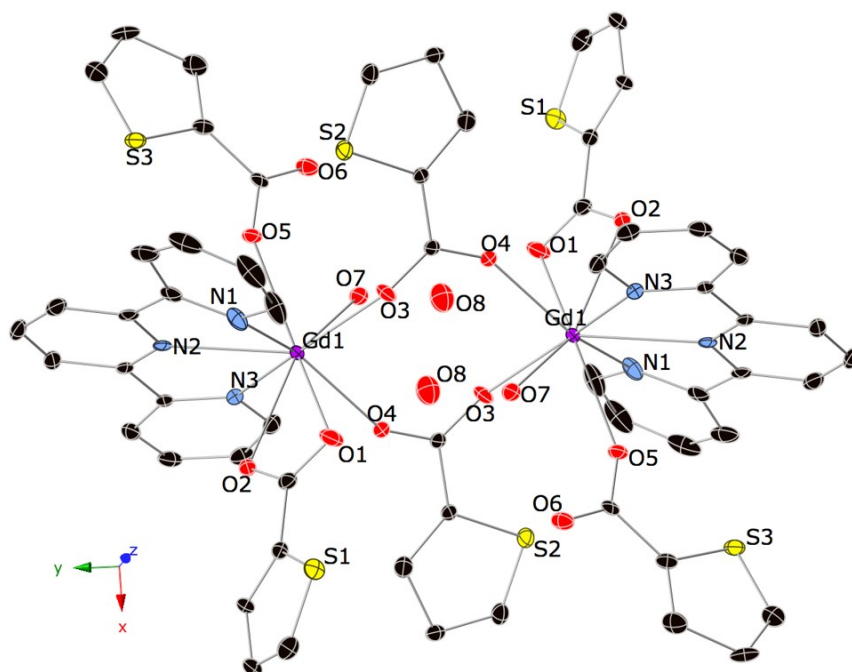


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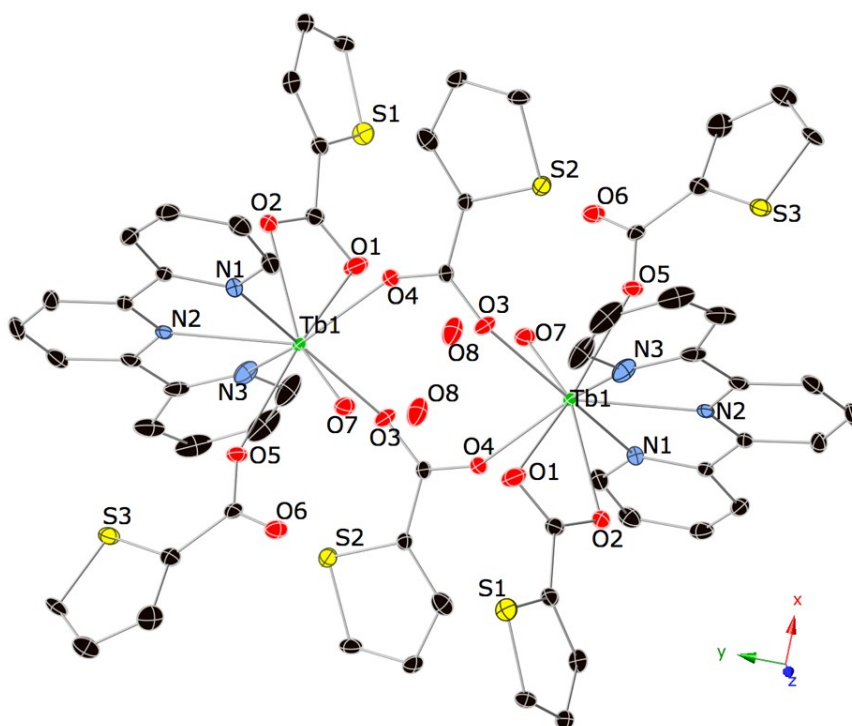


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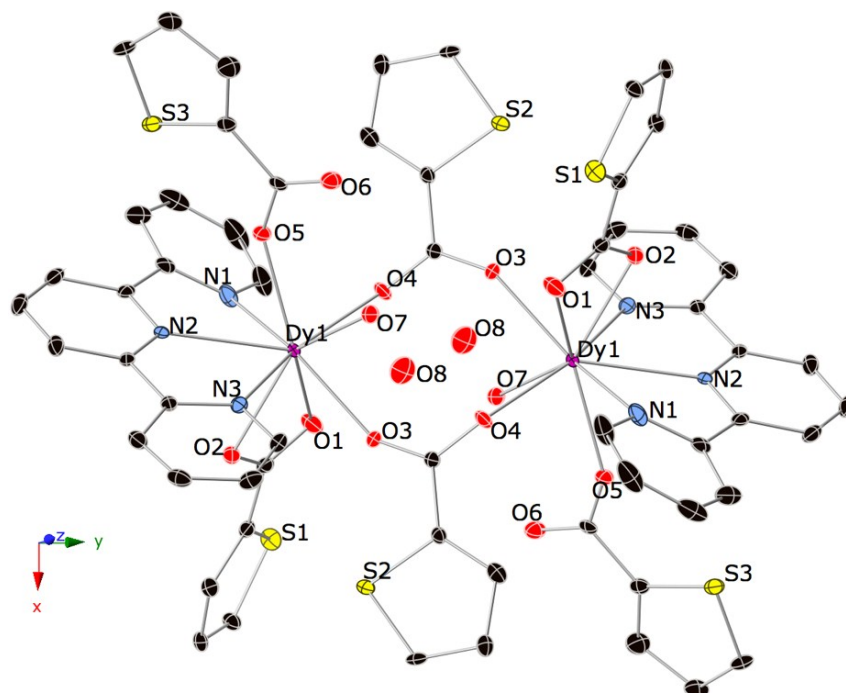


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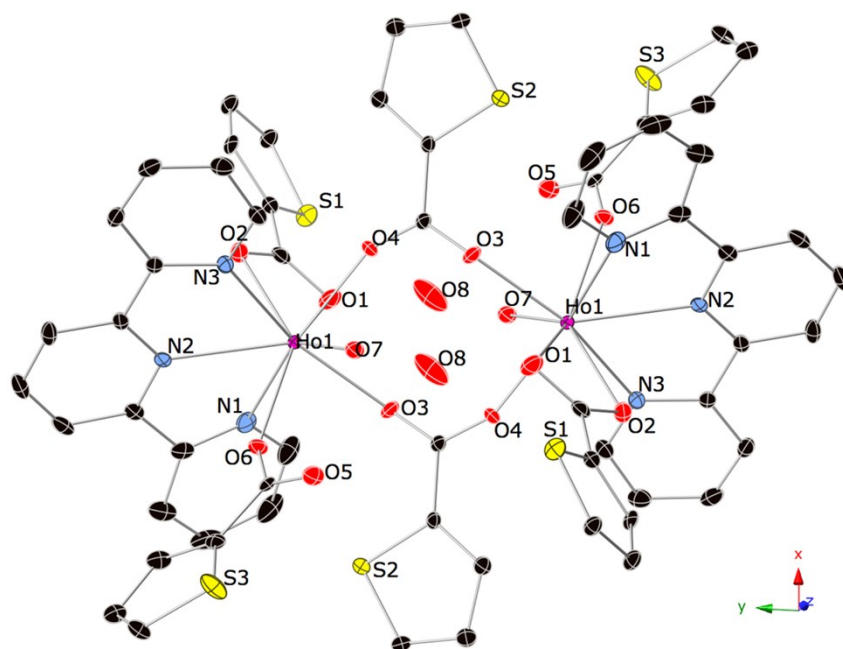


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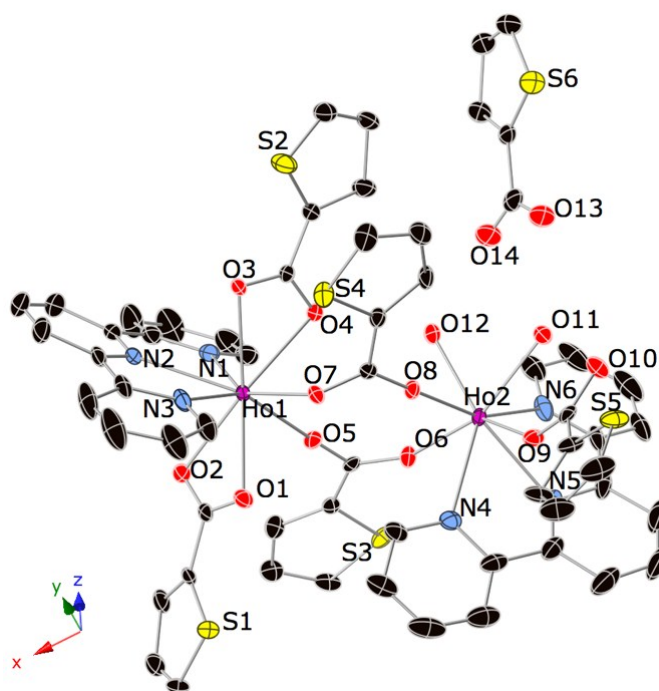


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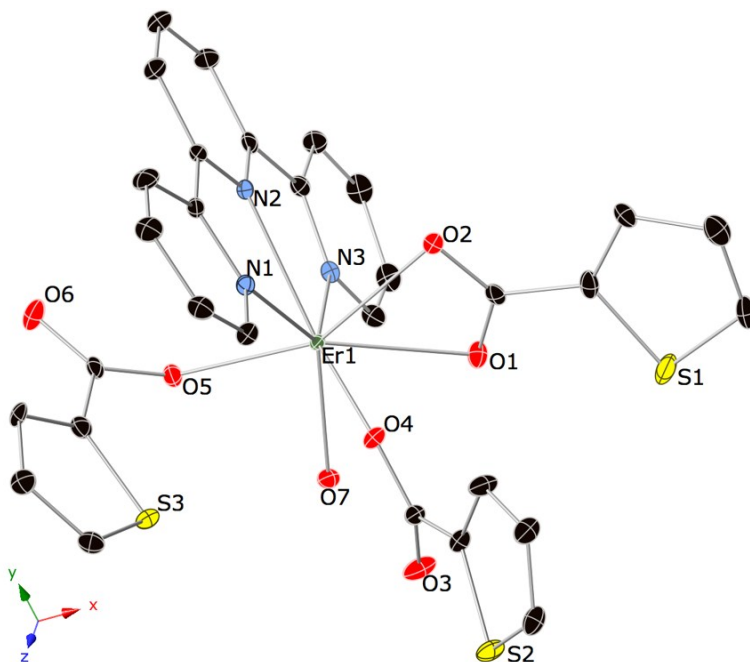


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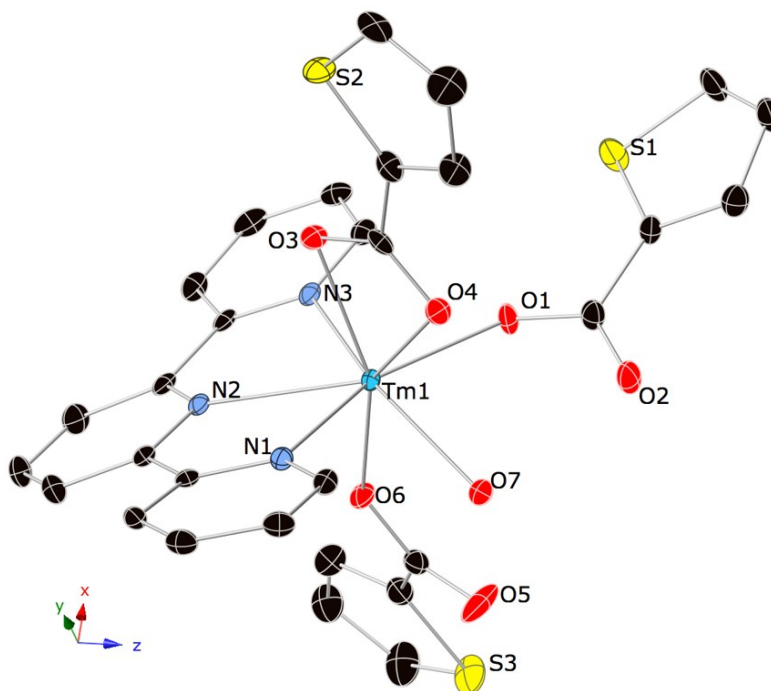


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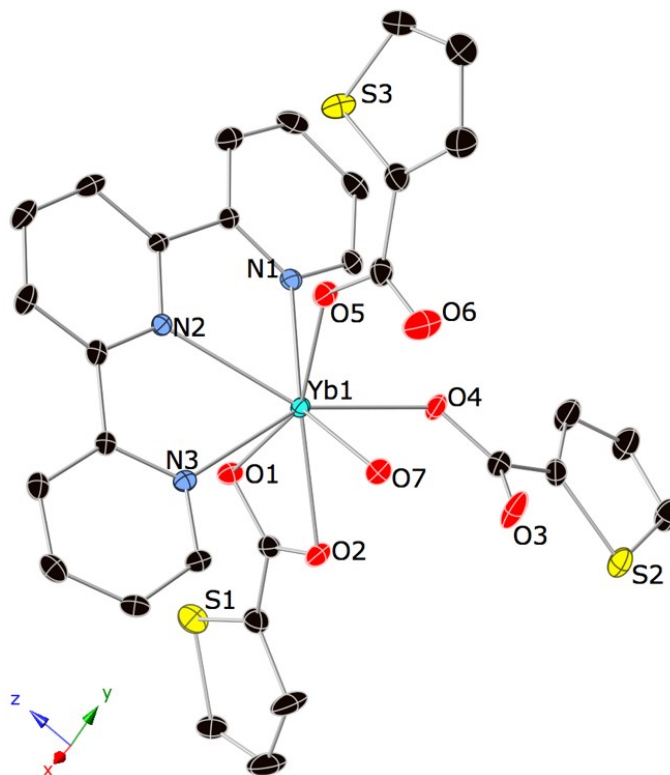


Figure S 14. Thermal ellipsoid plot of **Yb-4**; thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level. Color code: Yb, teal; S, yellow; O, red; N, light blue; C, black.

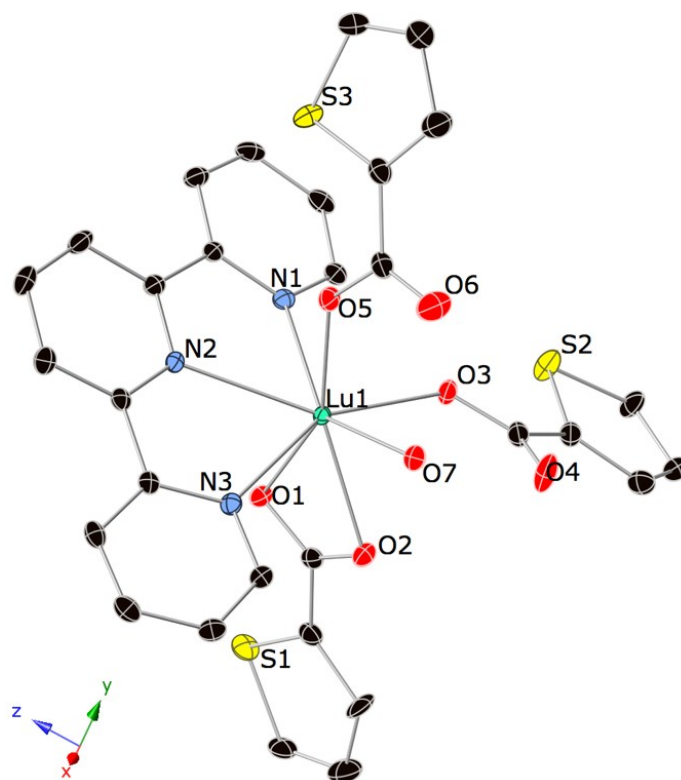


Figure S 15. Thermal ellipsoid plot of **Lu-4**; thermal ellipsoids are shown at 50% probability level. Color code: Lu, teal; S, yellow; O, red; N, light blue; C, black.

Powder X-Ray Diffraction Patterns

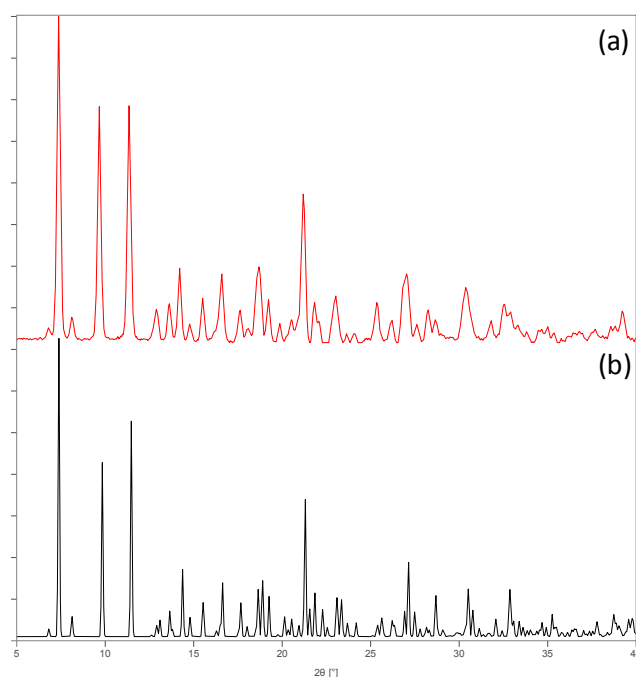


Figure S 16. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **La-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

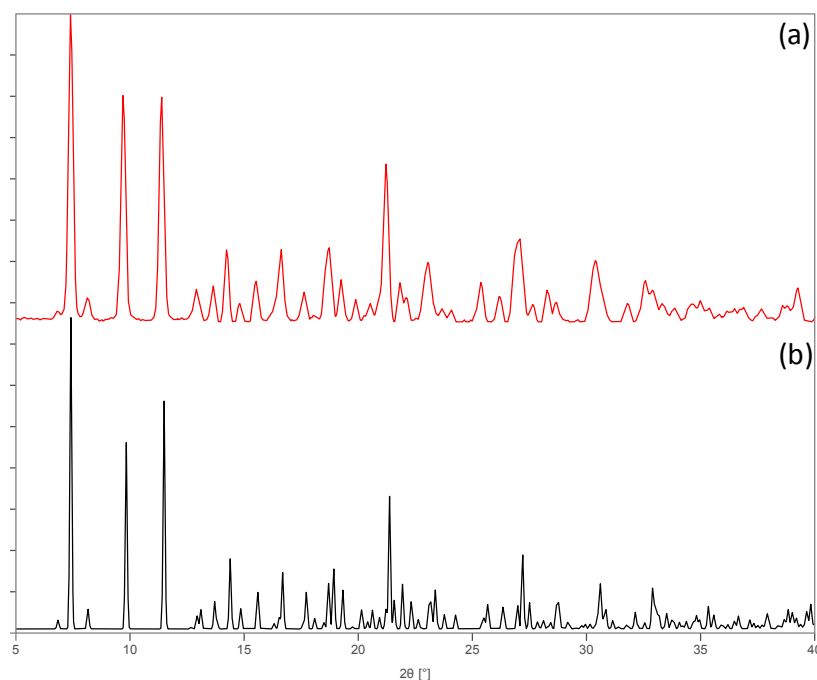


Figure S 17. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Ce-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

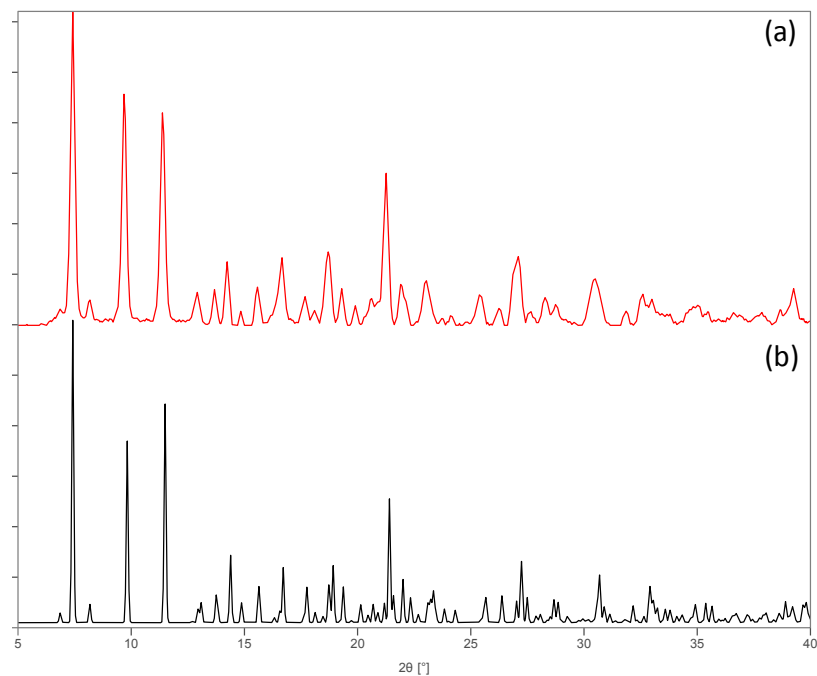


Figure S 18. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRd pattern of **Pr-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

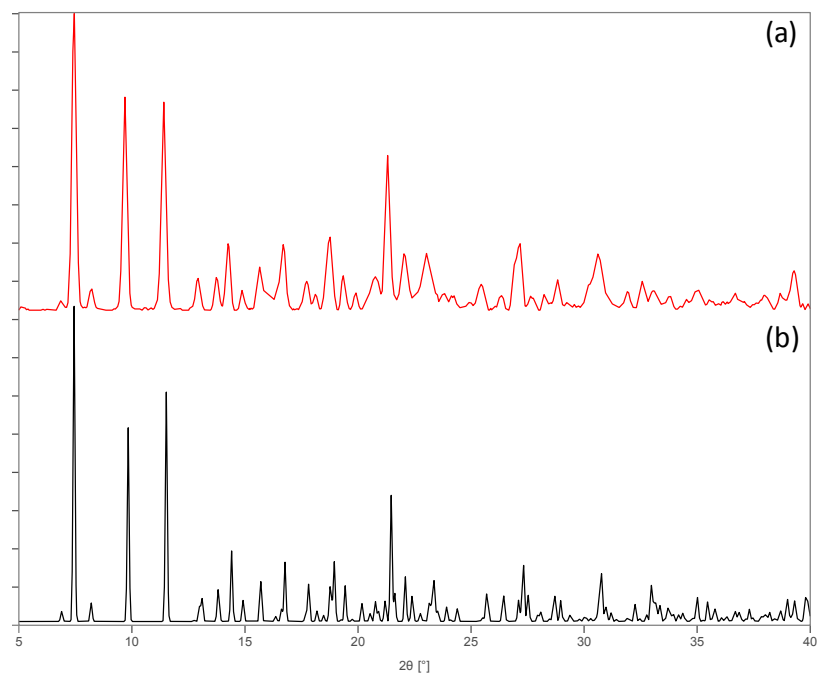


Figure S 19. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRd pattern of **Nd-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

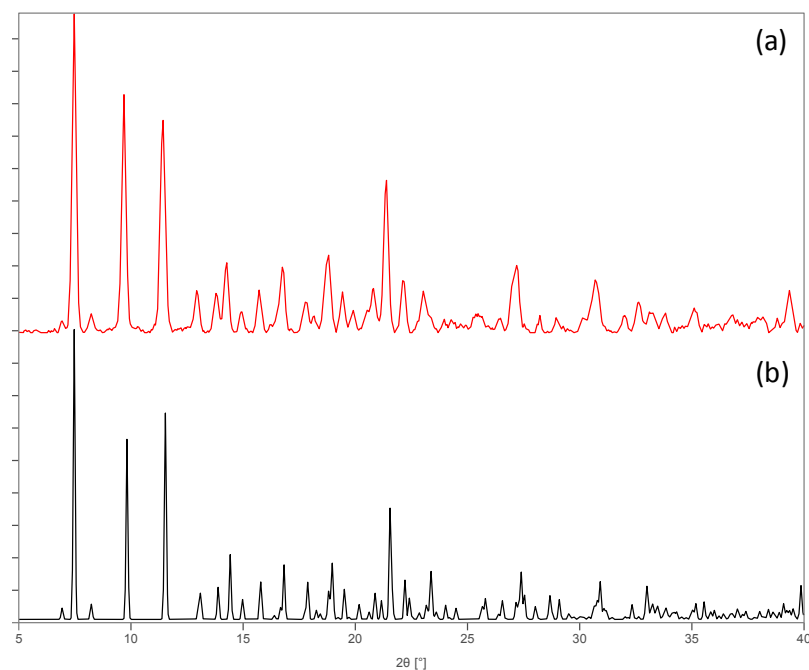


Figure S 20. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRd pattern of **Sm-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu $K\alpha$ radiation.

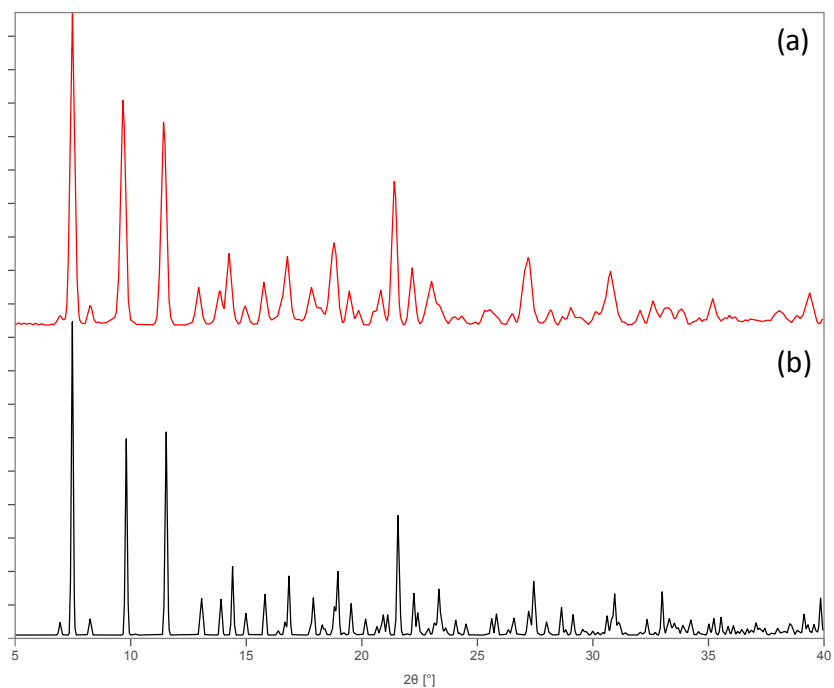


Figure S 21. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRd pattern of **Eu-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu $K\alpha$ radiation.

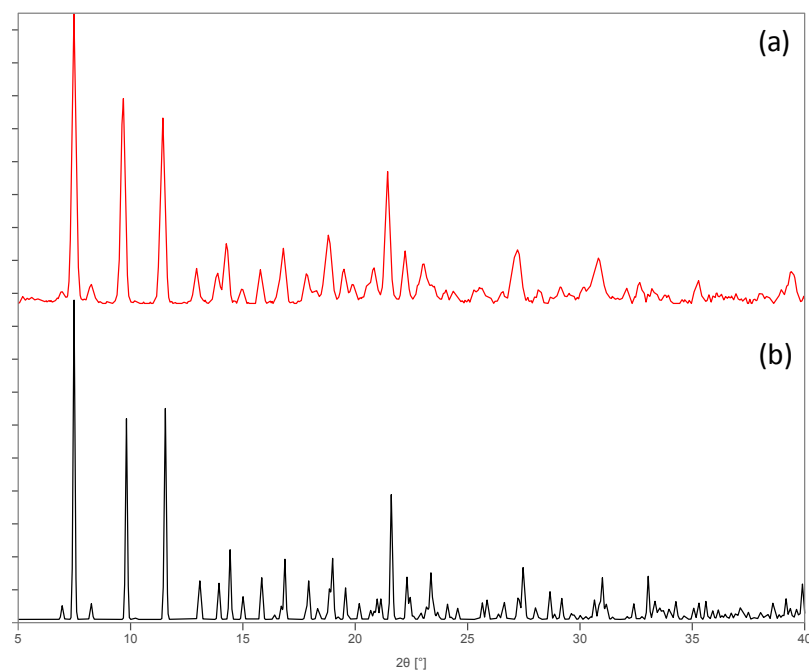


Figure S 22. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Gd-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

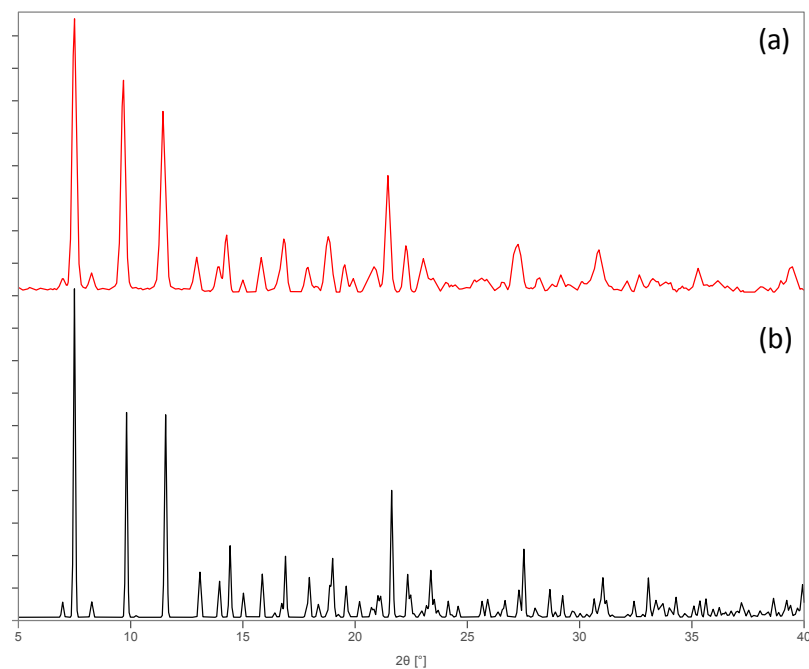


Figure S 23. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Tb-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

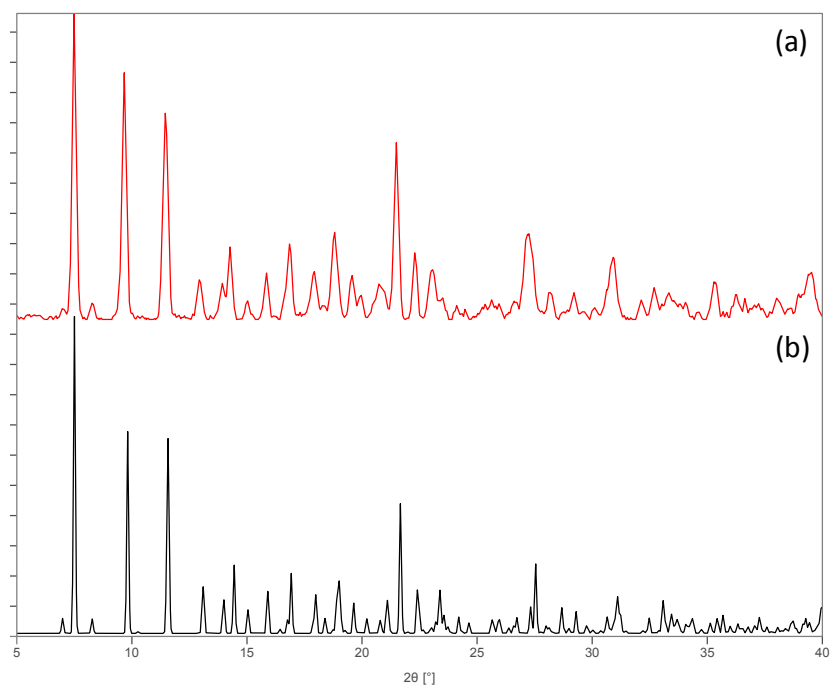


Figure S 24. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Dy-1**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

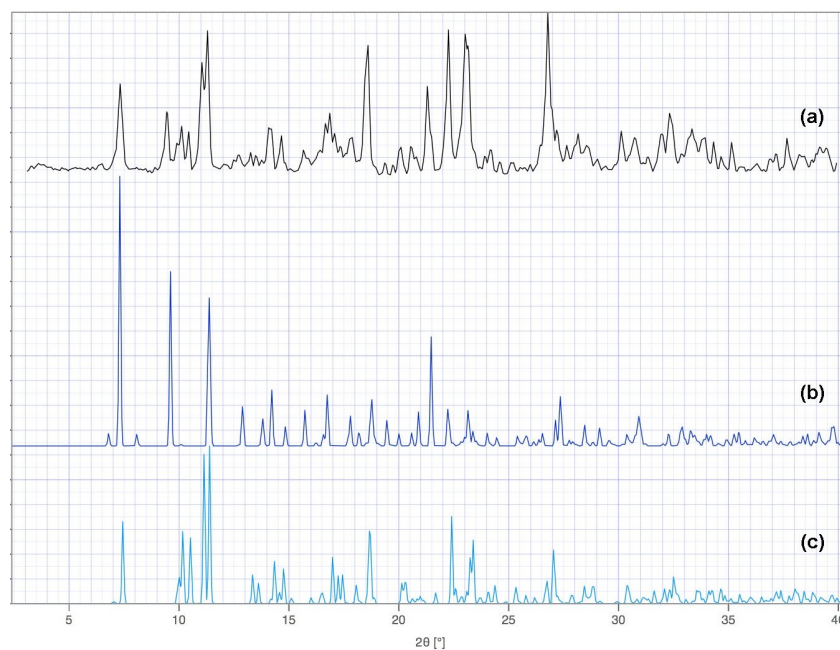


Figure S 25. (a) Experimental powder pattern obtained for bulk reaction product from HoCl₃ reaction. Calculated pattern for (b) **Ho-1** and (c) **Er-3**. Note that we were unable to isolate single crystals of **Ho-3**. All PXRD data was collected using Cu K α radiation.

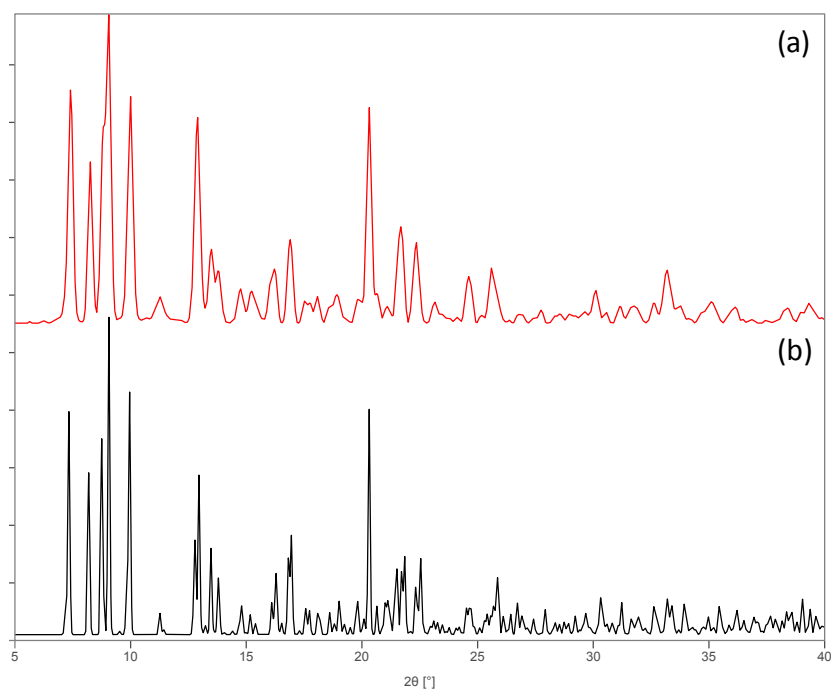


Figure S 26. (a) Experimental powder pattern obtained for bulk reaction product prepared from Ho_2O_3 starting material. (b) Calculated pattern of **Ho-2**. Experimental PXRD patterns were acquired using $\text{Cu K}\alpha$ radiation.

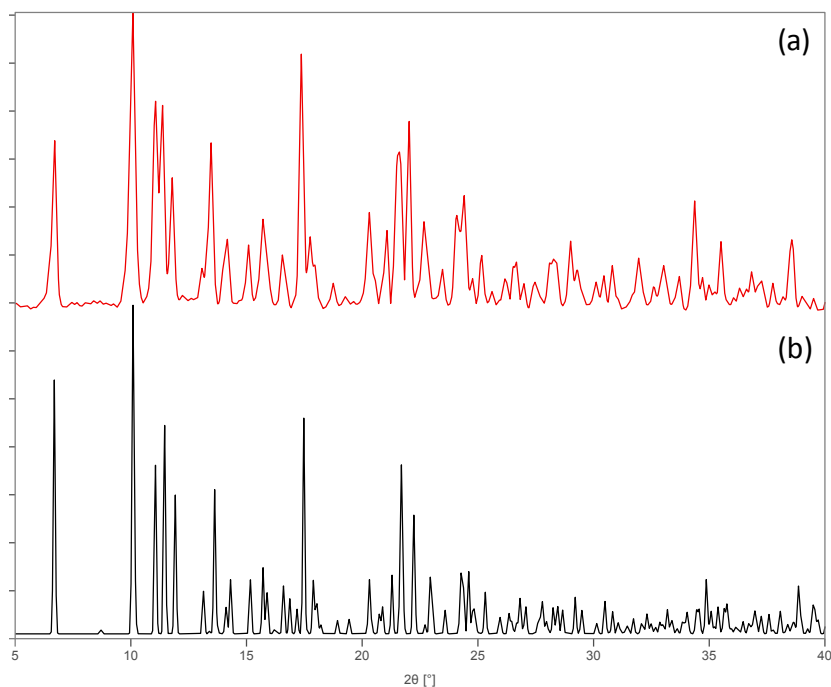


Figure S 27. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Er-3**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using $\text{Cu K}\alpha$ radiation.

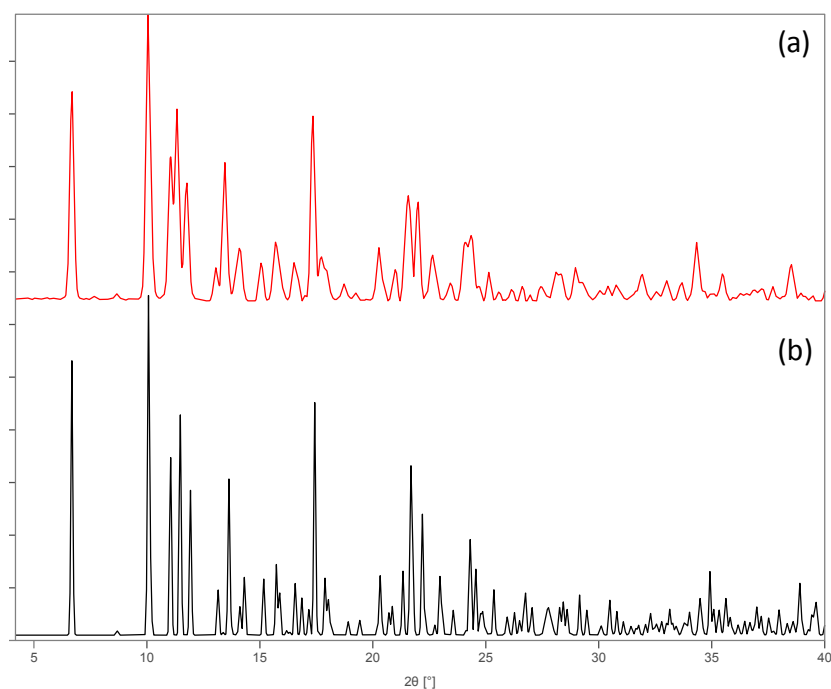


Figure S 28. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Tm-3**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

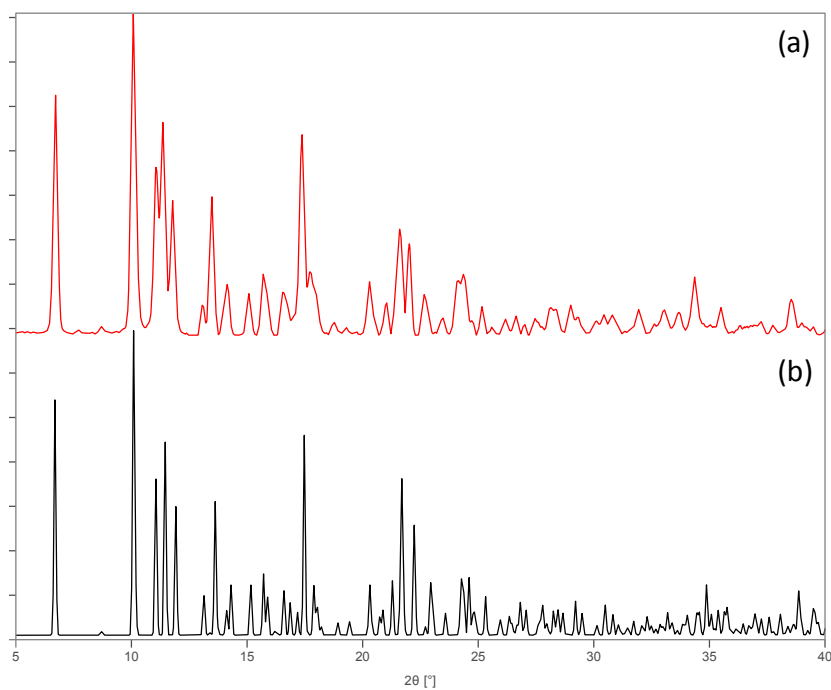


Figure S 29. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRD pattern of **Yb-3**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

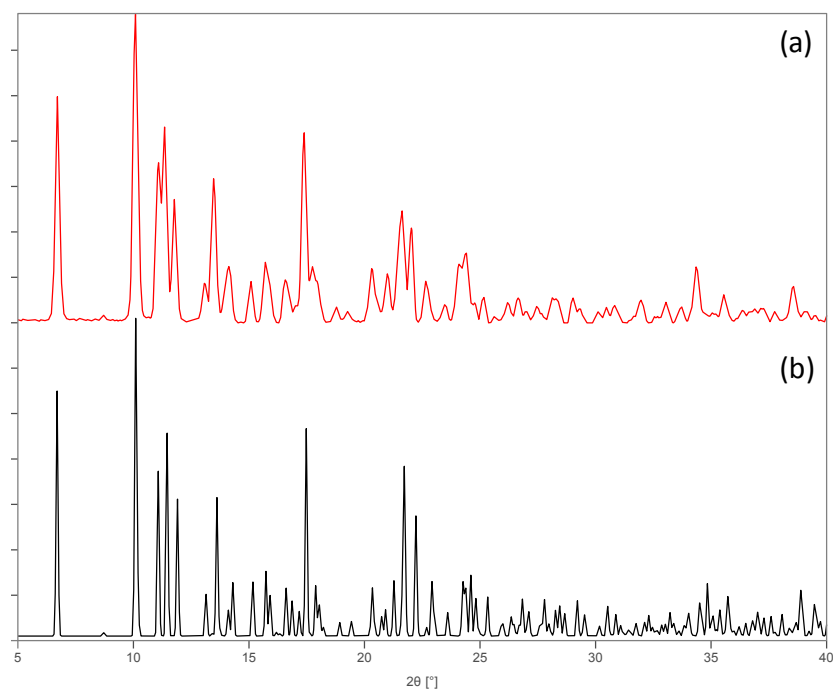


Figure S 30. Experimental (a) and calculated (b) PXRd pattern of **Lu-3**. Experimental diffraction patterns were acquired using Cu K α radiation.

Time-Resolved Fluorescence Measurements

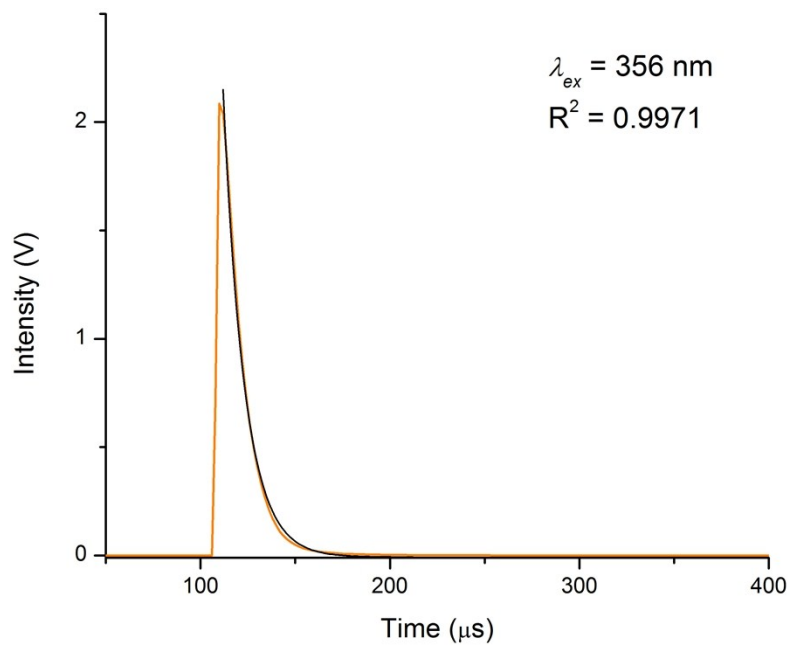


Figure S 31. Lifetime decay curve of **Sm-1** acquired at a lamp frequency of 300 Hz. Overlaid black line denotes the fit of the exponential curve.

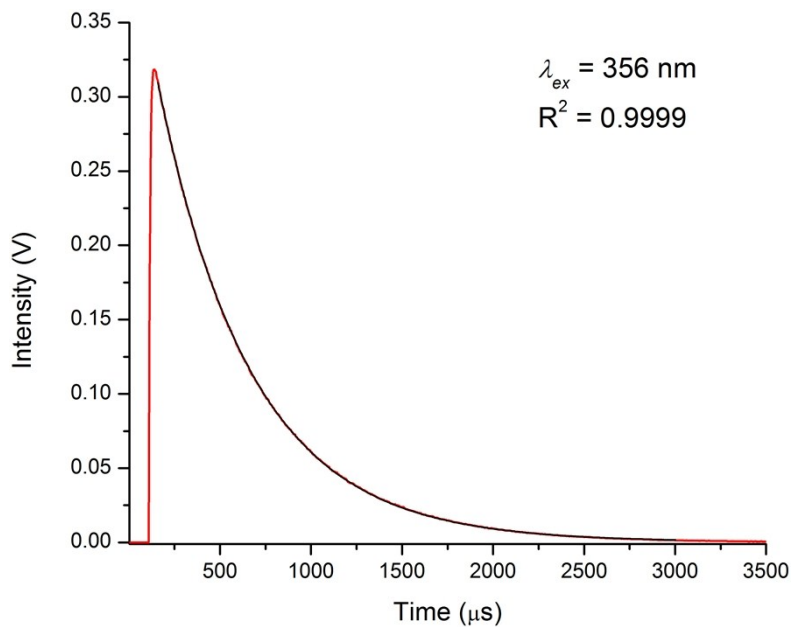


Figure S 32. Lifetime decay curve of **Eu-1** acquired at a lamp frequency of 200 Hz. Overlaid black line denotes the fit of the exponential curve.

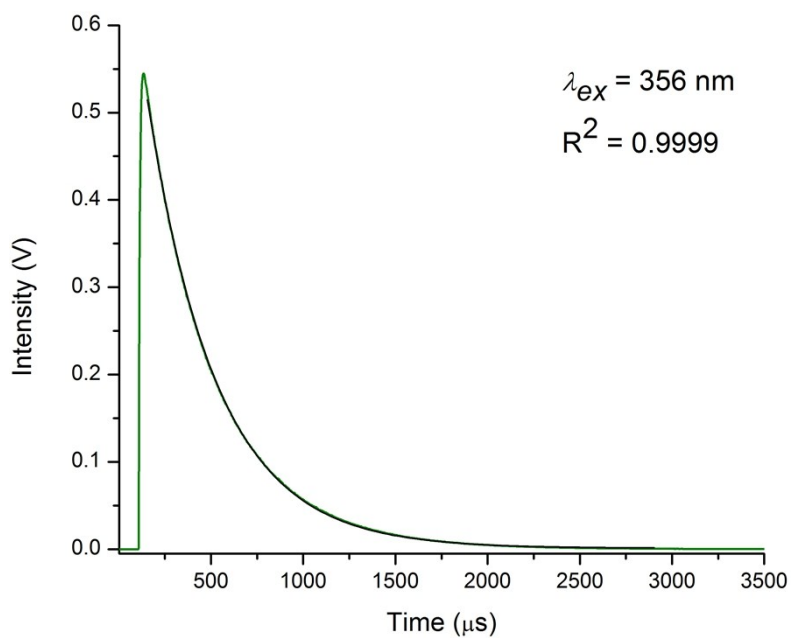


Figure S 33. Lifetime decay curve of **Tb-1** acquired at a lamp frequency of 200 Hz. Overlaid black line denotes the fit of the exponential curve.

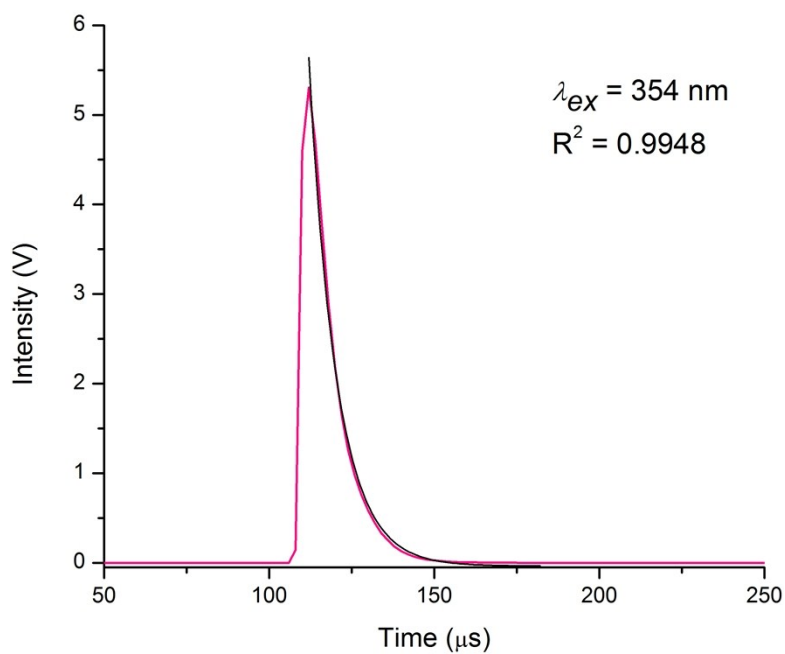


Figure S 34. Lifetime decay curve of **Dy-1** acquired at a lamp frequency of 300 Hz. Overlaid black line denotes the fit of the exponential curve.

Thermogravimetric Analysis

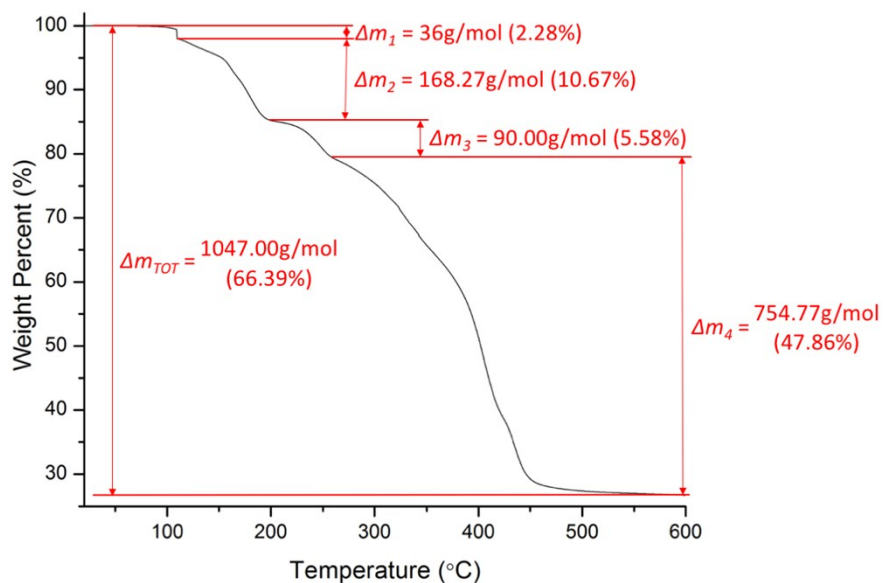


Figure S 35. TGA curve obtained for **Eu-1** under dinitrogen flow at a heating rate of 5 °C min⁻¹.

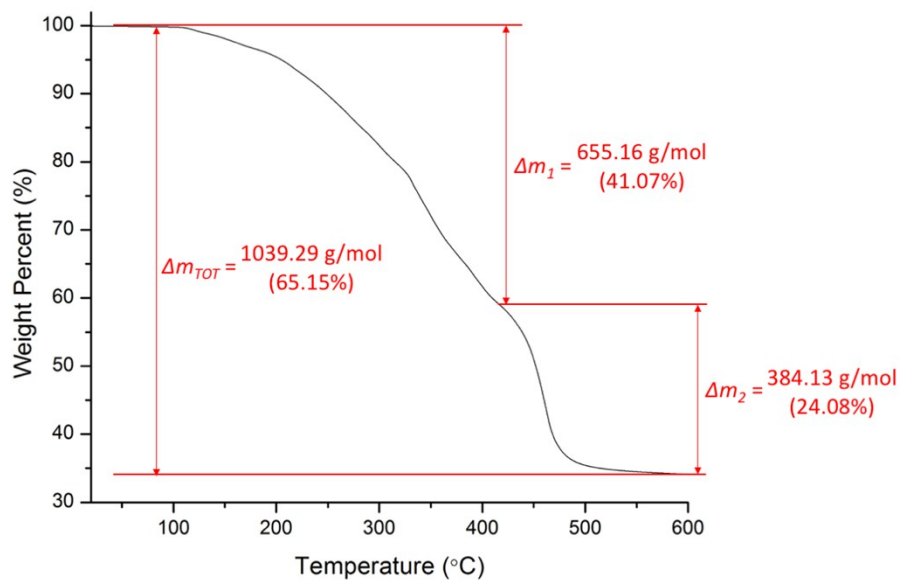


Figure S 36. TGA curve obtained for **Ho-2** under dinitrogen flow at a heating rate of 5 °C min⁻¹.

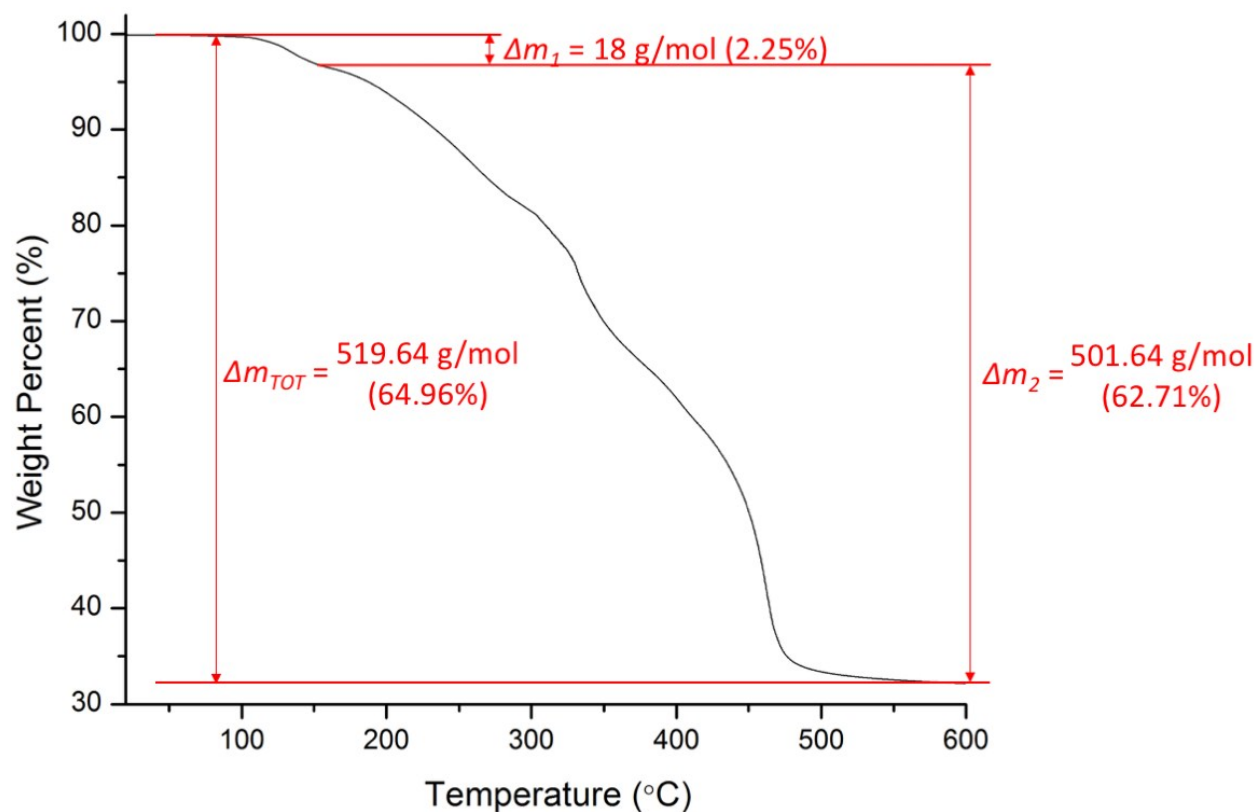


Figure S 37. TGA curve obtained for **Er-3** under dinitrogen flow at a heating rate of 5 °C min⁻¹.

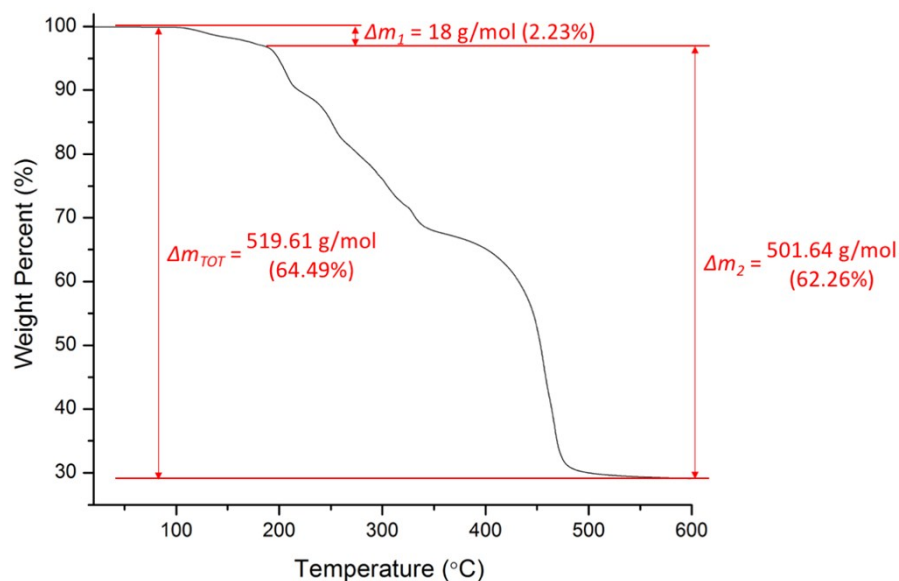


Figure S 38. TGA curve obtained for **Yb-4** under dinitrogen flow at a heating rate of 5 °C min⁻¹.

Infrared Spectra

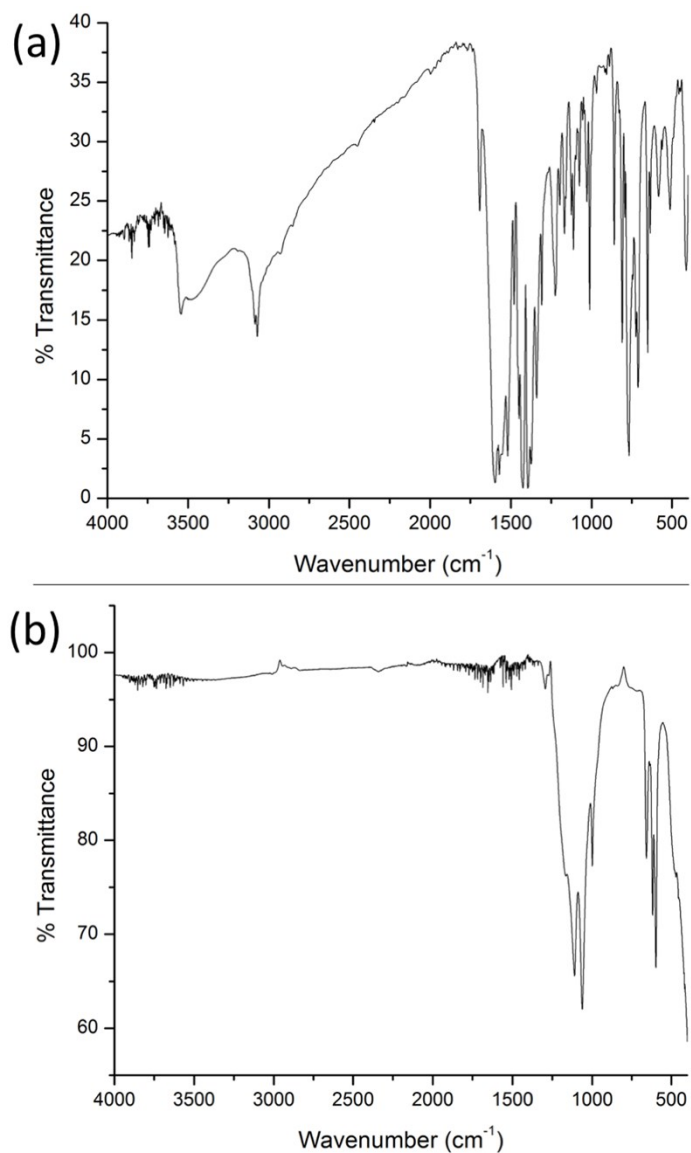


Figure S 39. FTIR spectra of (a) **Eu-1** and (b) product of thermal decomposition after thermogravimetric analysis. The peaks centered at 1063(bs), 666(s), and 600(s) cm^{-1} in (b) correspond to the sulfate ion asymmetric stretch, symmetric stretch, and asymmetric bend, respectively.

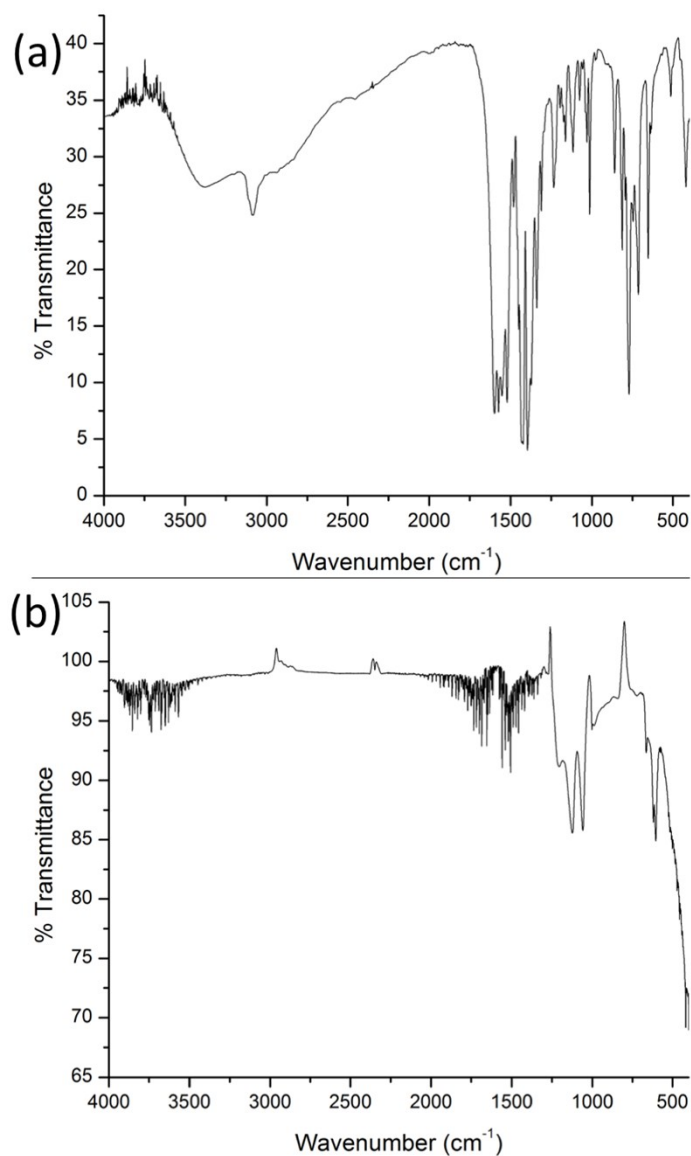


Figure S 40. FTIR spectra of (a) **Ho-2** and (b) product of thermal decomposition after thermogravimetric analysis. The peaks centered at 1125(bs), 665(w), and 605(s) cm⁻¹ in (b) correspond to the sulfate ion asymmetric stretch, symmetric stretch, and asymmetric bend, respectively.

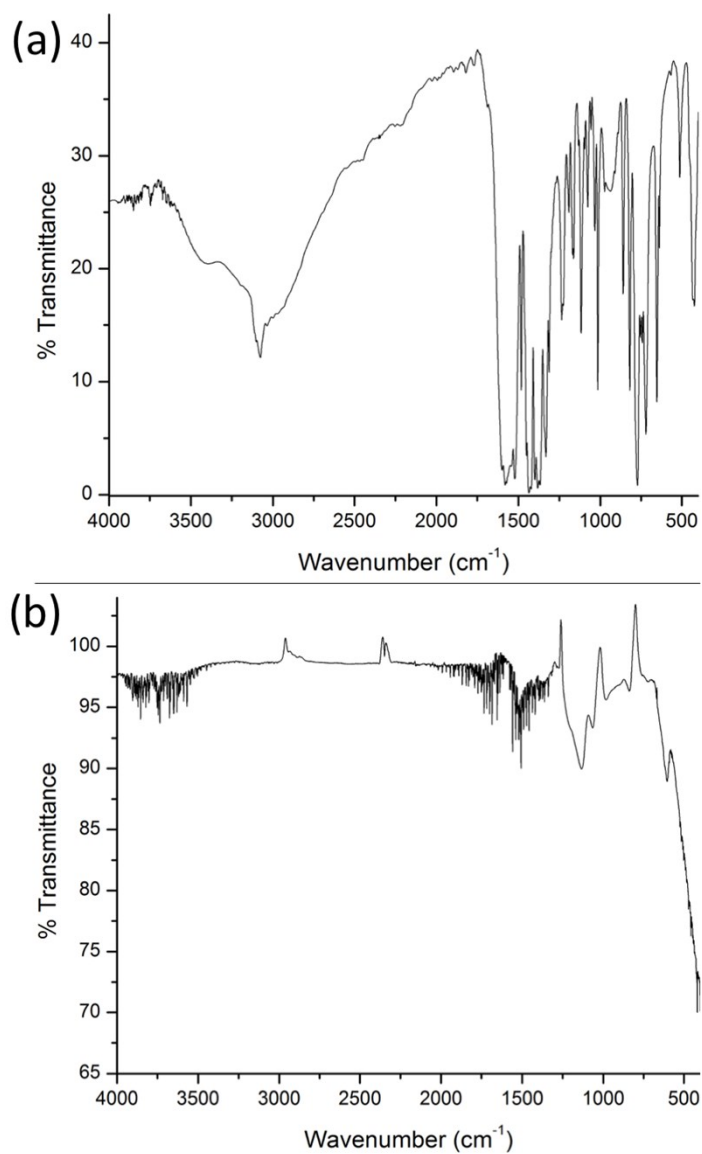


Figure S 41. FTIR spectra of (a) **Er-3** and (b) product of thermal decomposition after thermogravimetric analysis. Peaks centered at 1132(bs) and 604(s) cm^{-1} in (b) correspond to the sulfate ion asymmetric stretch and asymmetric bend, respectively.

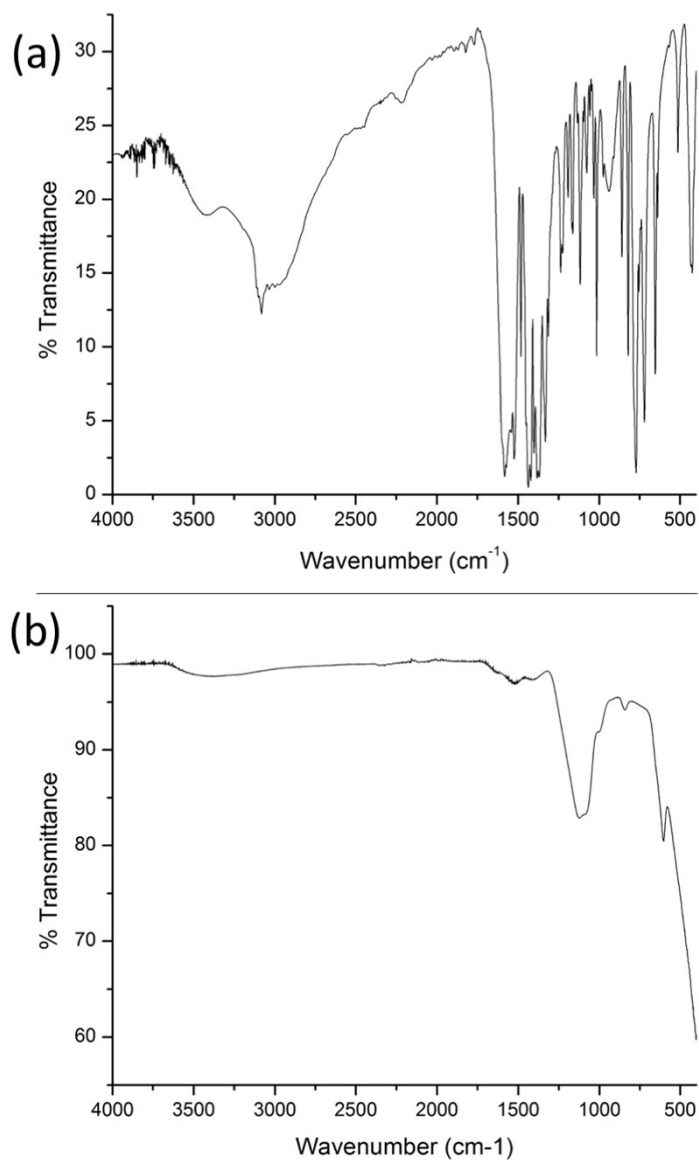


Figure S 42. FTIR spectra of (a) **Yb-4** and (b) product of thermal decomposition after thermogravimetric analysis. Peaks centered at 1126(bs) and 605(s) cm^{-1} in (b) correspond to the sulfate ion asymmetric stretch and asymmetric bend, respectively.