

Supplementary Information

Effect of coordination geometry on the magnetic properties of a series of Ln₂ and Ln₄ clusters

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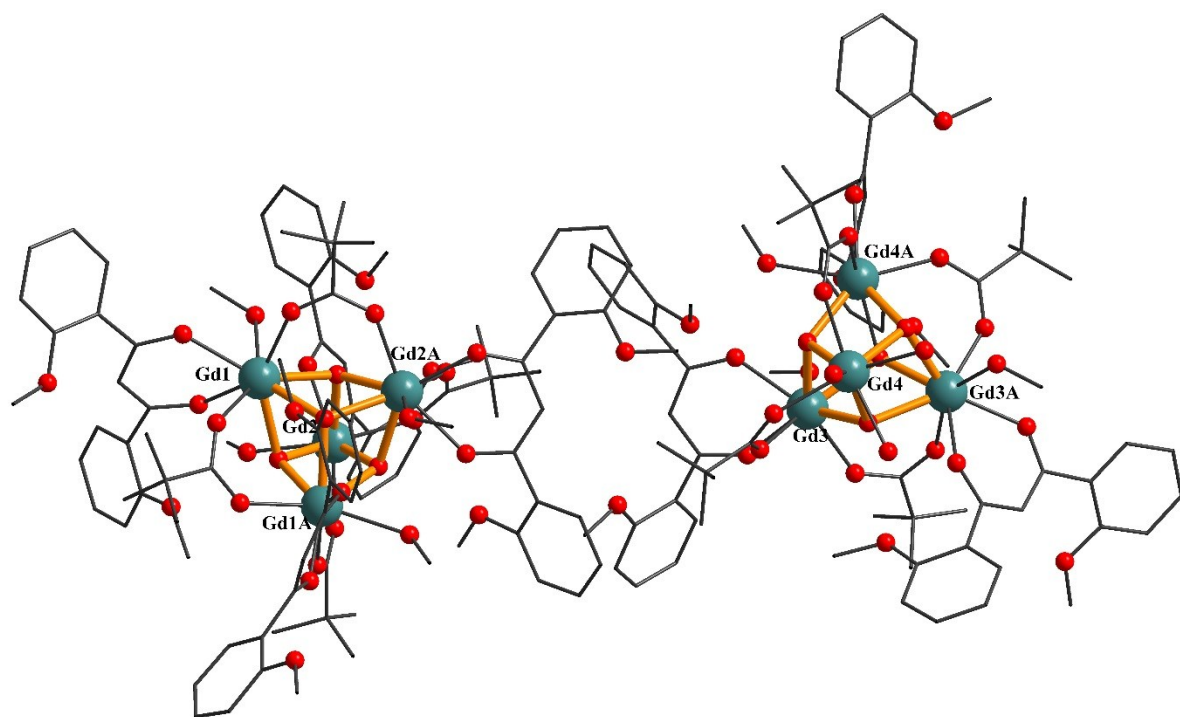


Figure S1. Molecular Structure of **1**, (hydrogen atoms on carbon atom are omitted for clarity).

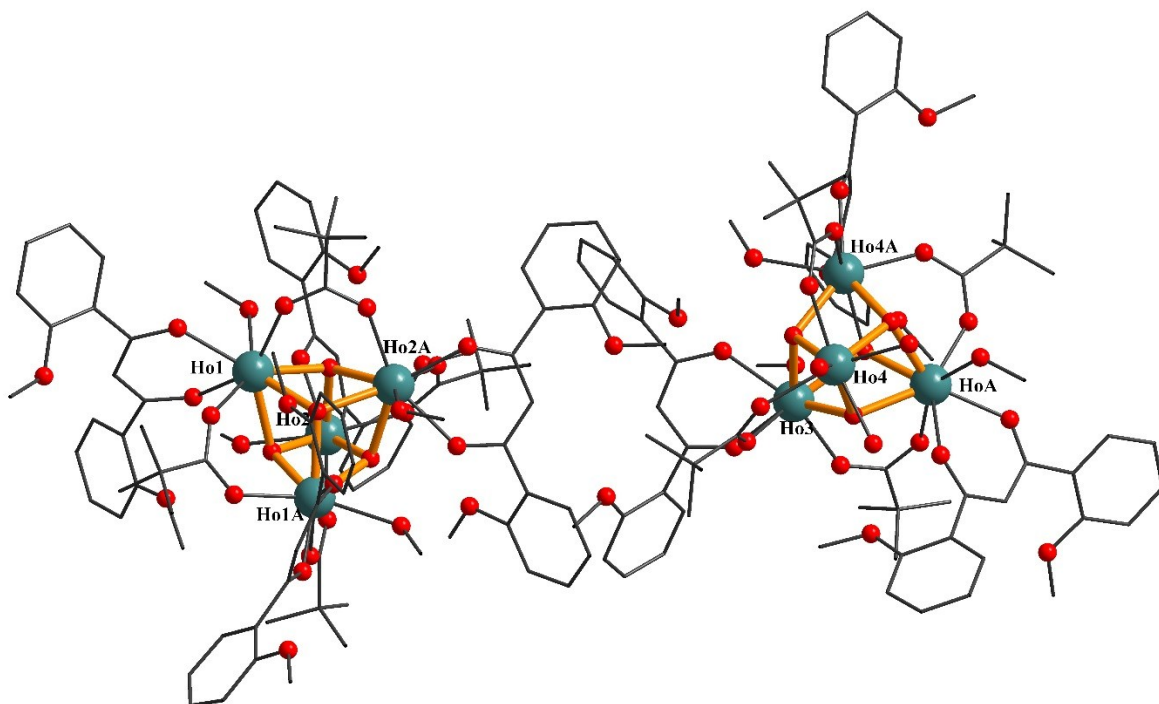


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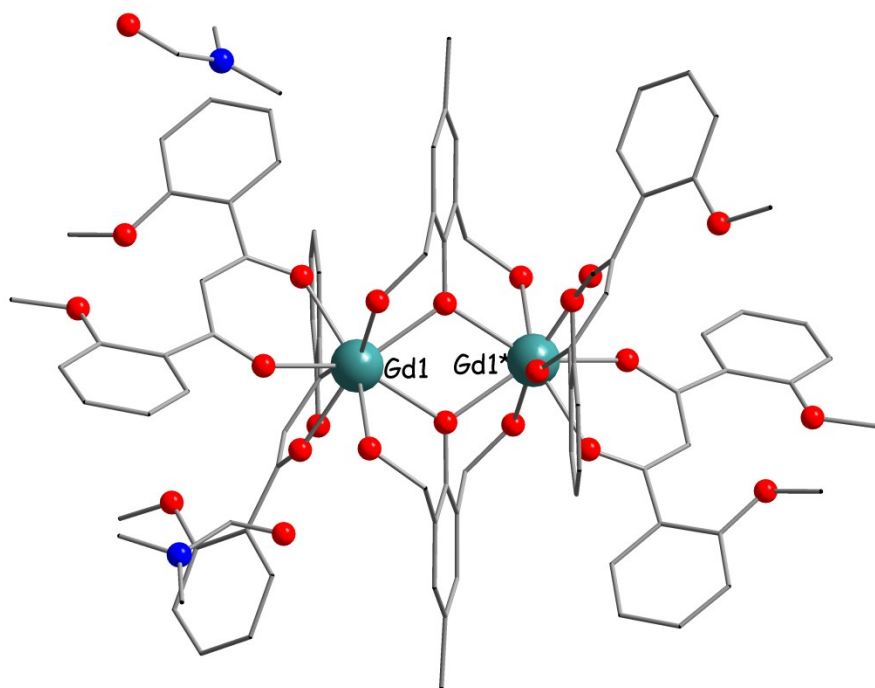


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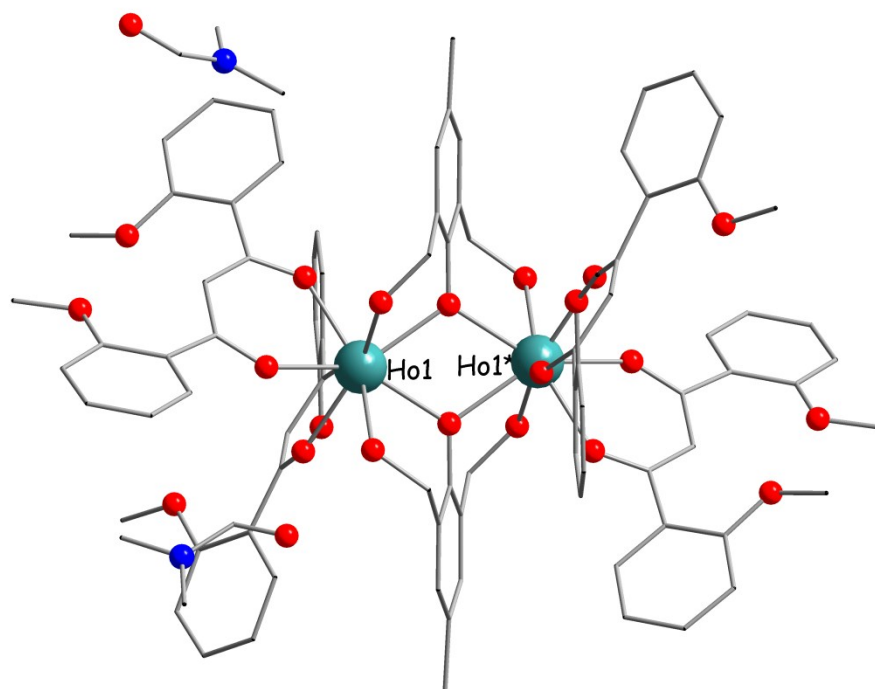


Figure S4. Molecular Structure of 6, (hydrogen atoms on carbon atom are omitted for clarity).

Table S1. Summary of **SHAPE** analysis for complex **2** and **5**.

Shape analysis:

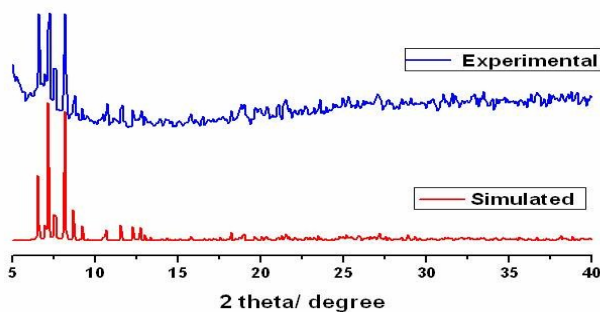
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Complex 2

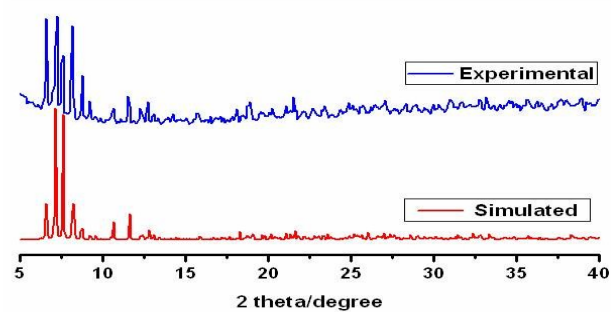
S. No.	Geometry	CShM value for Dy1	CShM value for Dy3
1	Octagon(D8h)	30.499	30.354
2	Heptagonal pyramid(C7v)	23.324	23.230
3	Hexagonal bipyrami(D6h)	16.074	15.755
4	Cube(Oh)	11.044	11.458
5	Square antiprism(D4d)	1.474	1.410
6	Triangular dodecahedron(D2d)	1.607	1.281
7	Johnson gyrobifastigium J26(D2d)	14.578	13.992
8	Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid J14(D3h)	29.407	29.560
9	Biaugmented trigonal prism J50(C2v)	2.055	2.202
10	Biaugmented trigonal prism(C2v)	1.540	1.670
11	Snub diphenoid J84(D2d)	3.868	3.807
12	Triakis tetrahedron(Td)	11.794	12.090
13	Elongated trigonal bipyramid(D3h)	24.511	24.452

Complex 5

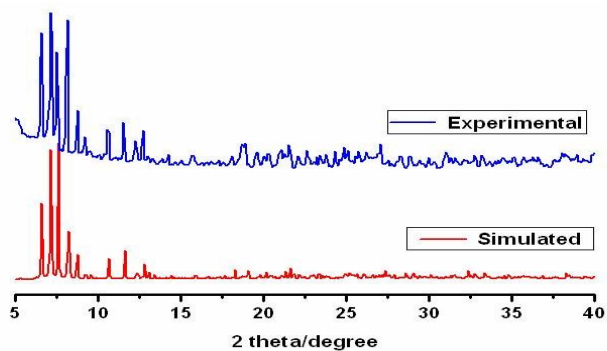
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3	Hexagonal bipyrami(D6h)	15.856
4	Cube(Oh)	10.0183
5	Square antiprism(D4d)	0.745
6	Triangular dodecahedron(D2d)	1.889
7	Johnson gyrobifastigium J26(D2d)	14.116
8	Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid J14(D3h)	27.296
9	Biaugmented trigonal prism J50(C2v)	2.507
10	Biaugmented trigonal prism(C2v)	1.828
11	Snub diphenoid J84(D2d)	4.552
12	Triakis tetrahedron(Td)	10.990
13	Elongated trigonal bipyramid(D3h)	22.665



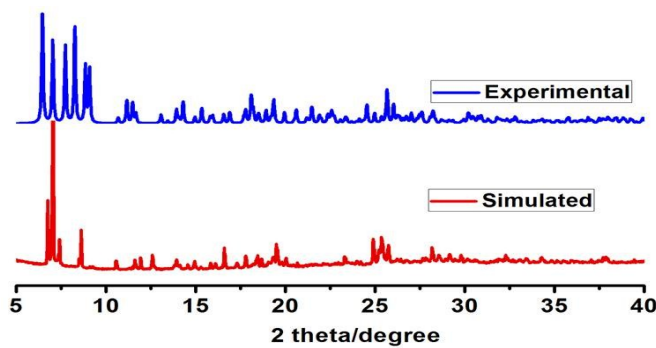
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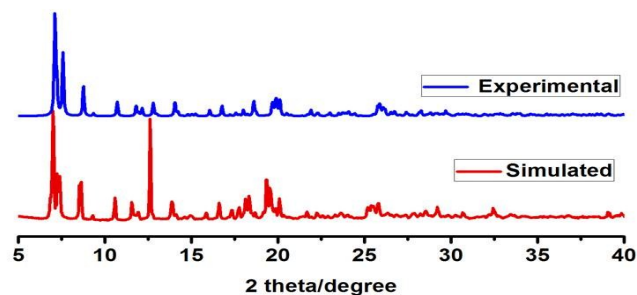
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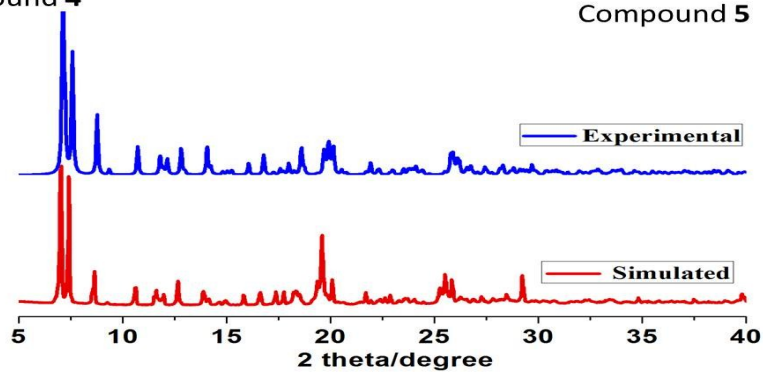
Compound 3



Compound 4



Compound 5



Compound 6

Figure S5. PXRD of compounds 1-6

Table S2. Bond Distances (Å) and Bond angles (°) comparison table with literature reports

	Dy-O _{hydroxy} Å	Dy-O _{alkoxy} Å	Dy-Dy Å	Dy-O-Dy °	U_{eff}
[Dy ₄ (μ_3 -OH) ₄ (L) ₄ (μ_2 -piv) ₄ (MeOH) ₄]	2.353-2.382		3.74-3.83	104.54-108.51	SMM (maxima is observed below 2K level)
[Dy ₄ (L) ₄ (μ_2 - $\eta^1\eta^1$ Piv) ₂] $\cdot$ 4H ₂ O $\cdot$ 6CH ₃ OH		2.36-2.49	3.68-4.15	99.20-115.10	73 K ¹
[Dy ₄ (μ_3 - OH) ₄ (isonicotinate) ₆ (py)(CH ₃ OH) ₇](ClO ₄) ₂ $\cdot$ py $\cdot$ 4C H ₃ OH	2.33-2.40		3.72-3.85	103.63-110.1	40.2 K ²
Dy ₈ (HL) ₁₀ (C ₆ H ₄ NH ₂ COO) ₂ (μ_3 - OH) ₈ (OH) ₂ (NO ₃) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₄]	2.31-2.40		3.67-3.85	102.5-109.50	SMM ³
[Dy ₄ (μ_3 -OH) ₄ (na)(pyzc)] _n	2.343-2.362		3.75-3.78	106.15-107.23	39.6 K ⁴
[Dy ₄ (μ_3 -OH) ₂ (μ_3 -O) ₂ (cpt)6(MeOH)6(H ₂ O)]	2.31-2.37		3.74-3.84	103.7-108.9	SMM ⁵
[Dy ₄ (OH) ₄ (TBSOC) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₄ (CH ₃ OH) ₄] $\cdot$ 4H ₂ O	2.33-2.36		2.57-2.73	105.7-107.9	22.9 K ⁶

Table S3. Selected Bond Distances (Å) and Bond angles (°) for **1-6**

	Ln = Gd (1)	Ln = Dy (2)	Ln = Ho (3)
Ln(1)-O(8)	2.321(3)	2.331(3)	2.278(6)
Ln(1)-O(5)	2.338(3)	2.315(3)	2.295(5)
Ln(1)-O(10)	2.382(3)	2.371(3)	2.341(5)
Ln(1)-O(3)	2.395(3)	2.364(3)	2.363(6)
Ln(1)-O(2)	2.421(3)	2.351(3)	2.364(6)
Ln(1)-O(10)*	2.400(3)	2.367(3)	2.359(5)
Ln(1)-O(11)	2.416(3)	2.372(3)	2.380(5)
Ln(1)-O(7)	2.504(3)	2.489(3)	2.469(6)
Ln(2)-O(6)*	2.339(3)	2.311(3)	2.299(5)
Ln(2)-O(9)	2.360(3)	2.295(3)	2.323(5)
Ln(2)-O(14)	2.379(3)	2.367(3)	2.347(5)
Ln(2)-O(11)	2.391(3)	2.353(3)	2.361(5)
Ln(2)-O(15)	2.397(3)	2.379(3)	2.343(6)
Ln(2)-O(10)	2.411(3)	2.382(3)	2.371(5)
Ln(2)-O(11)*	2.397(3)	2.382(3)	2.355(5)
Ln(2)-O(12)	2.516(3)	2.479(3)	2.477(6)
O(8)-Ln(1)-O(5)	101.58(12)	102.17(12)	100.4(2)
O(8)-Ln(1)-O(10)	85.68(11)	83.33(11)	86.34(19)
O(5)-Ln(1)-O(10)	142.85(11)	144.11(12)	143.42(19)
O(8)-Ln(1)-O(3)	79.90(12)	84.37(12)	84.84(19)
O(8)-Ln(1)-O(10)*	144.28(11)	144.29(11)	144.59(19)
O(5)-Ln(1)-O(10)*	83.56(11)	86.15(11)	84.21(18)
O(10)-Ln(1)-O(10)*	70.87(12)	70.97(13)	70.92(2)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(10)*	134.55(11)	107.92(11)	108.77(18)
O(8)-Ln(1)-O(11)	77.30(12)	78.36(11)	77.38(19)
O(5)-Ln(1)-O(11)	76.73(11)	77.14(11)	76.76(18)
O(10)-Ln(1)-O(11)	69.37(11)	69.22(11)	69.70(17)
O(6)*1-Ln(2)-O(10)	77.07(11)	77.00(11)	77.34(18)

O(9)-Ln(2)-O(10)	78.05(11)	77.50(12)	78.52(19)
O(14)-Ln(2)-O(10)	138.30(11)	137.73(11)	136.49(17)
O(11)-Ln(2)-O(10)	69.32(11)	69.38(11)	69.52(17)
O(15)-Ln(2)-O(10)	136.27(11)	134.85(11)	137.48(18)
O(11)*-Ln(2)-O(10)	69.60(11)	69.27(11)	69.72(17)
O(14)-Ln(2)-O(12)	76.37(11)	76.70(11)	72.57(19)
O(11)-Ln(2)-O(12)	107.97(11)	68.10(11)	109.01(18)
O(15)-Ln(2)-O(12)	71.77(11)	73.22(12)	75.95(19)
O(11)*-Ln(2)-O(12)	67.34(11)	108.41(11)	67.29(17)
O(10)-Ln(2)-O(12)	134.73(11)	135.29(11)	134.52(18)
Ln(1)-O(10)-Ln(2)	108.18(12)	107.58(12)	108.20(2)
Ln(1)-O(11)-Ln(2)	107.74(12)	108.51(12)	107.27(19)
Ln(1)*-O(10)-Ln(2)	107.71(12)	107.89(12)	107.90(2)
Ln(1)-O(10)-Ln(1)*	104.85(12)	104.82(12)	104.71(19)
Ln(1)-O(11)-Ln(2)*	107.64(12)	107.72(12)	107.68(19)
Ln(2)-O(11)-Ln(2)*	105.02(12)	104.54(12)	104.45(19)

	Ln = Gd (4)	Ln = Dy (5)	Ln = Ho (6)
Ln(1)-O(3)	2.375(11)	2.301(2)	2.294(2)
Ln(1)-O(6)	2.335(10)	2.321(2)	2.3128(18)
Ln(1)-O(6)*	2.356(10)	2.313(2)	2.3029(18)
Ln(1)-O(2)	2.332(11)	2.343(2)	2.3372(19)
Ln(1)-O(10)	2.357(11)	2.336(2)	2.3134(19)
Ln(1)-O(9)	2.350(11)	2.324(2)	2.323(2)
Ln(1)-O(5)	2.455(11)	2.438(2)	2.4216(19)
Ln(1)-O(7)	2.463(11)	2.436(2)	2.294(2)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(6)*	146.94(4)	141.19(8)	141.15(7)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(6)	140.19(4)	84.45(7)	84.24(7)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(2)	71.78(4)	72.34(8)	72.69(7)
O(6)-Ln(1)-O(2)	84.50(4)	140.57(7)	145.69(7)
O(6)*-Ln(1)-O(2)	140.60(4)	145.94(7)	140.59(7)

O(3)-Ln(1)-O(10)	119.26(4)	69.74(8)	106.41(7)
O(6)-Ln(1)-O(10)	78.95(4)	78.80(7)	85.83(7)
O(6)*-Ln(1)-O(10)	79.05(4)	79.70(8)	142.88(7)
O(2)-Ln(1)-O(10)	69.58(4)	119.70(8)	75.58(7)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(9)	75.80(4)	105.98(8)	69.85(8)
O(6)-Ln(1)-O(9)	142.720(4)	142.72(7)	79.66(7)
O(6)*-Ln(1)-O(9)	86.00(4)	85.86(7)	78.66(7)
O(2)-Ln(1)-O(9)	105.20(4)	75.65(8)	120.08(7)
O(10)-Ln(1)-O(9)	71.48(4)	72.03(8)	72.42(7)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(5)*	75.87(4)	144.98(8)	144.75(7)
O(6)-Ln(1)-O(5)*	115.65(4)	115.84(7)	115.96(7)
O(6)*-Ln(1)-O(5)*	73.00(4)	73.40(7)	73.61(6)
O(2)-Ln(1)-O(5)*	146.10(4)	74.43(7)	73.93(7)
O(10)-Ln(1)-O(5)*	138.02(4)	139.08(8)	75.53(7)
O(9)-Ln(1)-O(5)*	75.85(4)	75.76(8)	139.32(7)
O(3)-Ln(1)-O(7)	74.14 (4)	80.18(8)	80.11(8)
O(6)-Ln(1)-O(7)	70.56(4)	70.86(7)	70.98(6)
O(6)*-Ln(1)-O(7)	111.45(4)	110.94(7)	110.90(7)
O(2)-Ln(1)-O(7)	80.20(5)	74.02(7)	73.82(7)
O(10)-Ln(1)-O(7)	138.71(4)	138.94(8)	145.04(7)
O(9)-Ln(1)-O(7)	145.92(4)	145.39(7)	139.00(7)

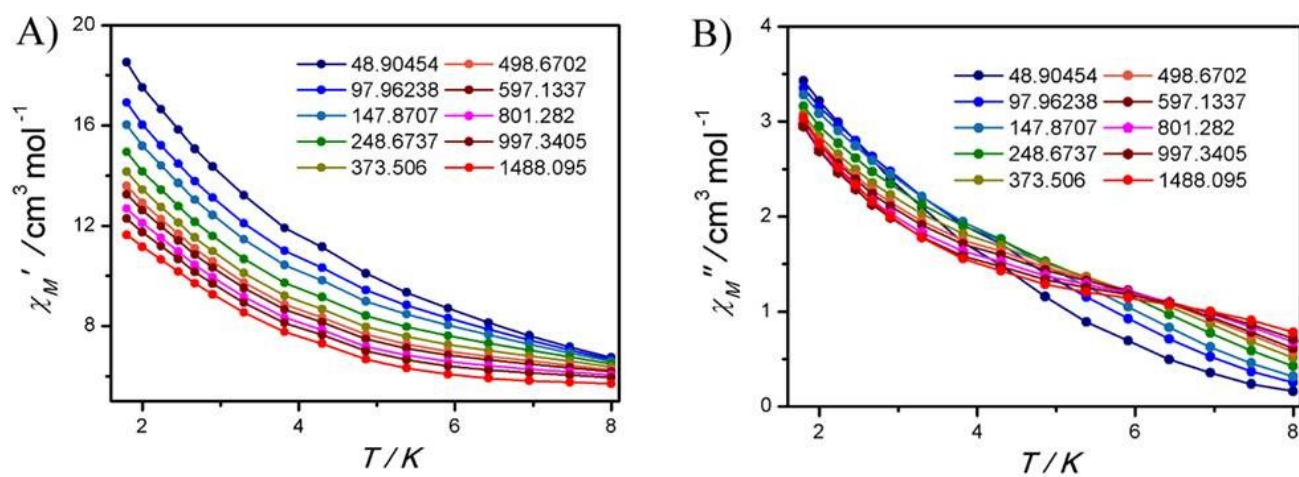


Figure S6. Alternating current magnetic susceptibility measurement performed on polycrystalline samples of **2** showing the temperature dependent in-phase (χ_M') (panel A) and out-of-phase susceptibility signals (χ_M'') (panel B) in the absence of external magnetic field.

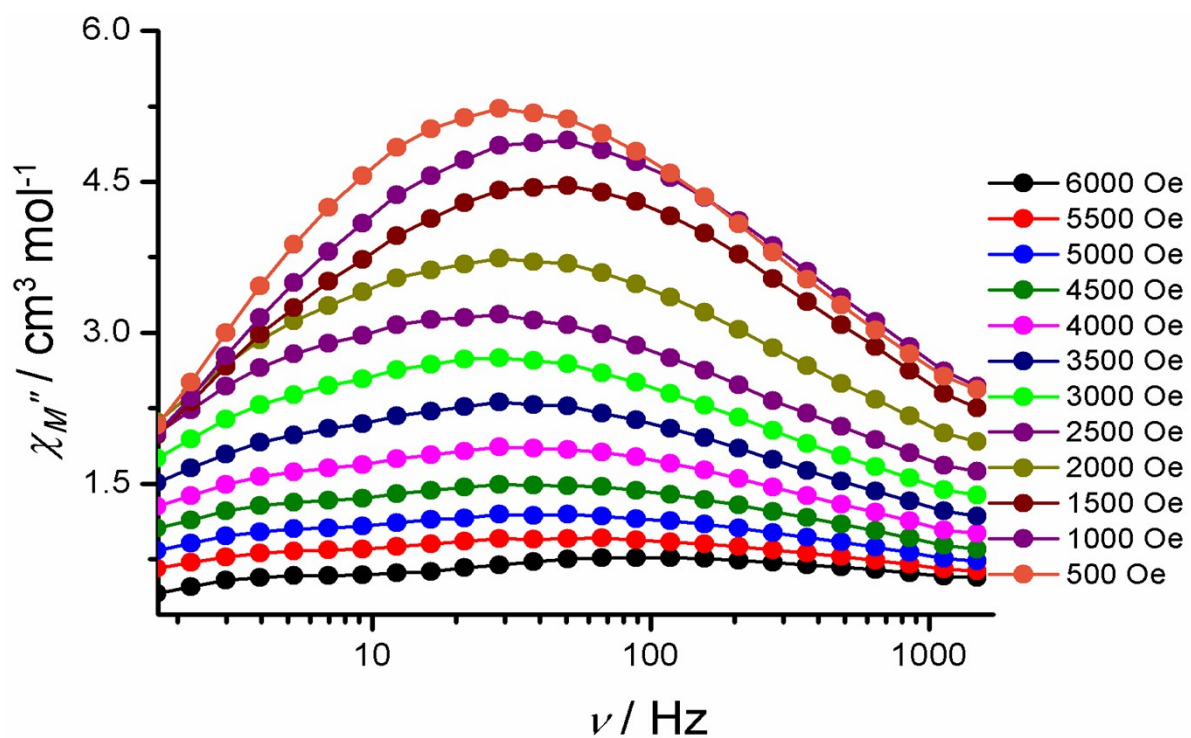


Figure S7. Isothermal field sweep measurement performed on polycrystalline sample of complex 2.

Table S4. Fitting parameters for Cole-Cole plot for complex **2** (Optimum field of 500 Oe)

S. No.	Temperature (K)	χ_s	χ_T	τ	α	residual
1	2.0	0.485583E+01	0.213361E+02	0.102857E-02	0.371419E+00	0.734713E+01
2	2.2	0.489822E+01	0.199923E+02	0.908660E-03	0.352661E+00	0.677026E+01
3	2.4	0.483345E+01	0.185235E+02	0.791095E-03	0.337465E+00	0.545196E+01
4	2.6	0.475222E+01	0.173092E+02	0.706296E-03	0.325677E+00	0.444805E+01
5	2.8	0.467057E+01	0.162357E+02	0.638803E-03	0.314907E+00	0.375707E+01
6	3.0	0.458311E+01	0.152866E+02	0.582108E-03	0.305846E+00	0.311194E+01
7	3.2	0.450158E+01	0.144405E+02	0.533096E-03	0.297002E+00	0.263548E+01
8	3.4	0.442209E+01	0.136805E+02	0.489626E-03	0.289195E+00	0.221655E+01
9	3.6	0.434306E+01	0.129886E+02	0.448673E-03	0.281722E+00	0.185598E+01
10	4.0	0.421539E+01	0.117968E+02	0.376768E-03	0.266478E+00	0.127939E+01
11	5.0	0.396428E+01	0.956903E+01	0.222501E-03	0.229217E+00	0.403521E+00
12	6.0	0.376298E+01	0.804631E+01	0.110622E-03	0.200699E+00	0.700955E-01
13	7.0	0.344384E+01	0.694132E+01	0.452781E-04	0.203925E+00	0.816926E-02
14	8.0	0.409642E+01	0.610494E+01	0.340558E-04	0.182404E+00	0.692859E-02

Table S5. Fitting parameters for Cole-Cole plot for complex **5** (absence of bias field)

S. No.	Temperature (K)	χ_s	χ_T	τ	α	residual
1	2.0	0.614221E+00	0.183188E+02	0.710361E-02	0.208097E+00	0.824204E+00
2	2.2	0.581461E+00	0.164895E+02	0.649717E-02	0.209542E+00	0.612107E+00
3	2.4	0.560337E+00	0.146505E+02	0.586349E-02	0.210852E+00	0.114670E+01
4	2.6	0.446823E+00	0.132122E+02	0.518833E-02	0.210901E+00	0.491779E+00
5	2.8	0.485631E+00	0.120152E+02	0.474652E-02	0.207704E+00	0.381005E+00
6	3.0	0.458659E+00	0.110055E+02	0.425951E-02	0.204777E+00	0.329082E+00
7	3.2	0.441390E+00	0.101555E+02	0.379568E-02	0.203325E+00	0.169764E+00
8	3.4	0.424599E+00	0.941623E+01	0.339249E-02	0.200194E+00	0.129646E+00
9	3.6	0.406443E+00	0.877422E+01	0.301435E-02	0.196792E+00	0.944658E-01
10	4.0	0.372370E+00	0.771428E+01	0.235163E-02	0.188963E+00	0.446970E-01
11	5.0	0.290246E+00	0.590085E+01	0.118066E-02	0.172061E+00	0.565398E-02
12	6.0	0.224505E+00	0.478510E+01	0.575295E-03	0.163180E+00	0.572334E-03
13	7.0	0.178637E+00	0.401860E+01	0.280481E-03	0.167784E+00	0.830973E-03
14	8.0	0.188554E+00	0.346312E+01	0.134422E-03	0.183680E+00	0.103577E-02

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