

The Slow Magnetic Relaxation Regulated by the Coordination Configuration and Intermolecular Dipolar Field in Two Mononuclear Dy^{III} Single-Molecule Magnets (SMMs)

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Table S1 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **1**.

Dy(1)-O(6)	2.305(5)
Dy(1)-O(1)	2.318(6)
Dy(1)-O(4)	2.329(6)
Dy(1)-O(2)	2.327(6)
Dy(1)-O(5)	2.337(5)
Dy(1)-O(3)	2.374(6)
Dy(1)-N(1)	2.520(7)
Dy(1)-N(2)	2.540(7)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(1)	76.9(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(4)	144.7(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-O(4)	132.6(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(2)	106.4(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-O(2)	71.8(2)
O(4)-Dy(1)-O(2)	73.6(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(5)	71.01(19)
O(1)-Dy(1)-O(5)	126.6(3)
O(4)-Dy(1)-O(5)	73.8(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-O(5)	76.8(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(3)	144.1(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-O(3)	76.4(2)
O(4)-Dy(1)-O(3)	70.8(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-O(3)	87.6(2)
O(5)-Dy(1)-O(3)	144.1(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-N(1)	90.2(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-N(1)	143.3(2)
O(4)-Dy(1)-N(1)	75.1(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-N(1)	144.8(2)

O(5)-Dy(1)-N(1)	79.4(3)
O(3)-Dy(1)-N(1)	97.0(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-N(2)	73.3(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-N(2)	79.7(3)
O(4)-Dy(1)-N(2)	124.1(3)
O(2)-Dy(1)-N(2)	150.6(2)
O(5)-Dy(1)-N(2)	128.2(2)
O(3)-Dy(1)-N(2)	78.5(2)
N(1)-Dy(1)-N(2)	63.6(2)

Table S2 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **2**.

Dy(1)-O(3)	2.314(5)
Dy(1)-O(2)	2.321(6)
Dy(1)-O(6)	2.325(6)
Dy(1)-O(4)	2.328(6)
Dy(1)-O(1)	2.327(6)
Dy(1)-O(5)	2.327(6)
Dy(1)-N(1)	2.538(8)
Dy(1)-N(2)	2.558(8)
O(3)-Dy(1)-O(2)	75.6(2)
O(3)-Dy(1)-O(6)	77.4(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-O(6)	74.0(2)
O(3)-Dy(1)-O(4)	72.2(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-O(4)	121.8(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(4)	139.5(2)
O(3)-Dy(1)-O(1)	115.1(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-O(1)	71.4(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(1)	138.0(2)
O(4)-Dy(1)-O(1)	80.3(2)
O(3)-Dy(1)-O(5)	80.4(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-O(5)	141.0(2)
O(6)-Dy(1)-O(5)	71.1(2)
O(4)-Dy(1)-O(5)	77.8(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-O(5)	147.6(2)
O(3)-Dy(1)-N(1)	146.0(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-N(1)	82.4(3)
O(6)-Dy(1)-N(1)	71.7(3)
O(4)-Dy(1)-N(1)	141.7(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-N(1)	80.8(2)
O(5)-Dy(1)-N(1)	102.3(3)
O(3)-Dy(1)-N(2)	148.4(2)
O(2)-Dy(1)-N(2)	132.1(2)

O(6)-Dy(1)-N(2)	120.5(2)
O(4)-Dy(1)-N(2)	78.7(2)
O(1)-Dy(1)-N(2)	70.7(2)
O(5)-Dy(1)-N(2)	81.8(2)
N(1)-Dy(1)-N(2)	63.7(2)

Table S3 Dy^{III} ion geometry analysis by SHAPE 2.1 software.

Configuration	ABOXIY, 1	ABOXIY, 2
Square antiprism (D_{4d})	1.885	0.944
Triangular dodecahedron (D_{2d})	0.561	1.712
Johnson gyrobifastigium J26 (D_{2d})	14.375	13.836
Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid J14 (D_{3h})	28.529	26.514
Biaugmented trigonal prism J50 (C_{2v})	2.697	2.280
Biaugmented trigonal prism (C_{2v})	2.126	1.734
Snub sphenoid J84 (D_{2d})	3.417	4.249

 S H A P E v2.1 Continuous Shape Measures calculation
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Dy structures of 1

SAPR-8	5 D4d	Square antiprism
TDD-8	6 D2d	Triangular dodecahedron
JGBF-8	7 D2d	Johnson gyrobifastigium J26
JETBPY-8	8 D3h	Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid J14
JBTPR-8	9 C2v	Biaugmented trigonal prism J50
BTPR-8	10 C2v	Biaugmented trigonal prism
JSD-8	11 D2d	Snub diphenoid J84

Structure [ML8]	SAPR-8	TDD-8	JGBF-8	JETBPY-8	JBTPR-8	BTPR-8	JSD-8
ABOXIY,	1.885,	0.561,	14.856,	28.529,	2.697,	2.126,	3.417

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Dy structures of 2

SAPR-8	5 D4d	Square antiprism
TDD-8	6 D2d	Triangular dodecahedron
JGBF-8	7 D2d	Johnson gyrobifastigium J26
JETBPY-8	8 D3h	Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid J14
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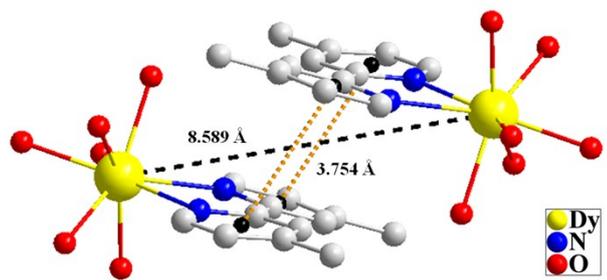
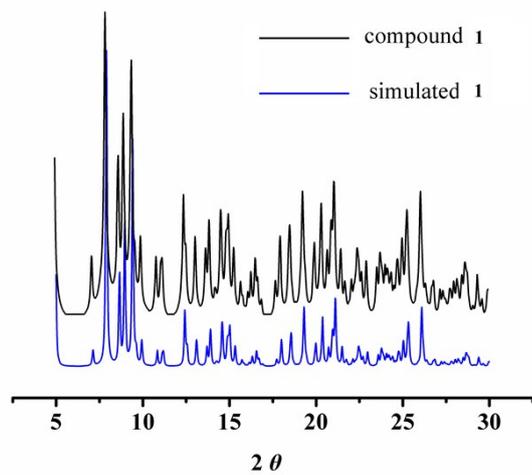
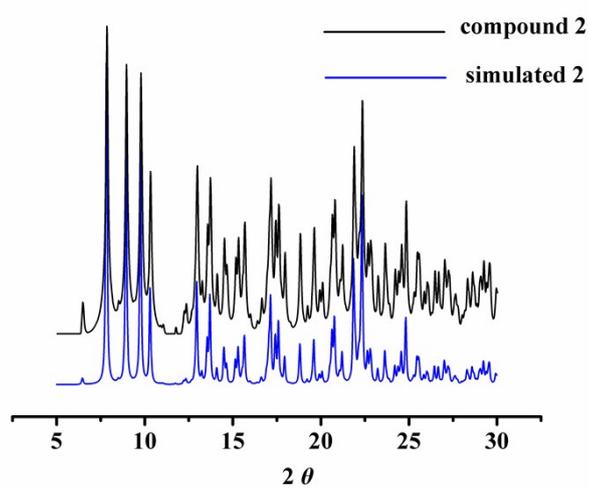


Fig. S1 the neutral molecules are assisted by weak $\pi \cdots \pi$ stacking between benzene rings from two adjacent dbpy molecules.



(a)



(b)

Fig. S2 XRPD curves of **1** (a) and **2** (b).

The magnetic susceptibility data of **1** under a zero dc field were described by the sum of two modified Debye functions:¹

$$\chi''(\omega) = \Delta\chi_1 \frac{(\omega\tau_1)^{1-\alpha_1} \cos(\pi\alpha_1/2)}{1 + 2(\omega\tau_1)^{1-\alpha_1} \sin(\pi\alpha_1/2) + (\omega\tau_1)^{(2-2\alpha_1)}} + \Delta\chi_2 \frac{(\omega\tau_2)^{1-\alpha_2} \cos(\pi\alpha_2/2)}{1 + 2(\omega\tau_2)^{1-\alpha_2} \sin(\pi\alpha_2/2) + (\omega\tau_2)^{(2-2\alpha_2)}}$$

$$\Delta\chi_1, \tau_1, \alpha_1, \Delta\chi_2, \tau_2, \alpha_2$$

$$\chi'(\omega) = \chi_{S,\text{tot}} + \Delta\chi_1 \frac{1 + (\omega\tau_1)^{1-\alpha_1} \sin(\pi\alpha_1/2)}{1 + 2(\omega\tau_1)^{1-\alpha_1} \sin(\pi\alpha_1/2) + (\omega\tau_1)^{(2-2\alpha_1)}} + \Delta\chi_2 \frac{1 + (\omega\tau_2)^{1-\alpha_2} \sin(\pi\alpha_2/2)}{1 + 2(\omega\tau_2)^{1-\alpha_2} \sin(\pi\alpha_2/2) + (\omega\tau_2)^{(2-2\alpha_2)}}$$

$$\chi_{S,\text{tot}}, \Delta\chi_1, \tau_1, \alpha_1, \Delta\chi_2, \tau_2, \alpha_2$$

1 (a) G. Cuccinota, M. Perfetti, J. Luzon, M. Etienne, P. E. Car, A. Caneschi, G. Calvez, K. Bernot and R. Sessoli, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, 2012, **51**, 1606-1610; (b) M. Grahl, J. Kotzler, and I. Sessler, *J. Magn. Magn. Mater.* 1990, **90–91**, 187–188; (c) Y. N. Guo, G. F. Xu, W. Wernsdorfer, L. Ungur, Yang Guo, J. K. Tang, H. J. Zhang, Liviu F. Chibotaru, and A. K. Powell, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2011, **133**, 11948–11951.

Table S4. Relaxation fitting parameters from Least-Squares Fitting of $\chi(\omega)$ data for **1** under a zero applied dc field.

T(K)	$\chi_{S,\text{tot}}$ (cm ³ mol ⁻¹)	$\Delta\chi_1$ (cm ³ mol ⁻¹)	$\Delta\chi_2$ (cm ³ mol ⁻¹)	α_1	α_2	τ_1 (s)	τ_2 (s)
2.0	6.776	1.021	0.350	0.321	0.020	0.00120	0.04370
2.2	6.270	0.898	0.405	0.324	0.006	0.00111	0.04340
2.4	5.762	0.777	0.311	0.327	0.010	0.00109	0.04296
2.6	5.260	0.744	0.300	0.318	0.002	0.00107	0.04059
2.8	4.923	0.653	0.267	0.320	0.022	0.00107	0.03875
3.0	5.242	0.606	0.284	0.305	0.039	0.00106	0.03627
3.2	4.311	0.552	0.250	0.308	0.040	0.00102	0.03142
3.4	4.081	0.493	0.239	0.302	0.059	9.9650×10 ⁻⁴	0.02714
3.6	3.881	0.433	0.297	0.347	0.079	9.6128×10 ⁻⁴	0.02256
3.8	3.679	0.394	0.233	0.287	0.085	9.1259×10 ⁻⁴	0.01817
4.0	3.512	0.349	0.232	0.277	0.098	8.5504 ×10 ⁻⁴	0.01430
4.2	3.363	0.311	0.224	0.270	0.111	7.8340×10 ⁻⁴	0.01088
4.4	3.220	0.276	0.228	0.258	0.130	7.1608×10 ⁻⁴	0.00833
5.0	2.484	0.250	0.269	0.218	0.141	4.1192×10 ⁻⁴	0.00284
5.5	1.622	0.245	0.307	0.185	0.150	1.8996×10 ⁻⁴	0.00129
6.0	1.100	0.171	0.455	0.138	0.154	1.1802×10 ⁻⁴	8.6186 ×10 ⁻⁴
6.5	0.702	0.202	0.841	0.092	0.165	9.0160×10 ⁻⁵	6.09071×10 ⁻⁴

The magnetic susceptibility data of **2** under a zero dc field were described by the

modified Debye functions:²

$$\chi'(\omega) = \chi_s + (\chi_T - \chi_s) \frac{1 + (\omega\tau)^{1-\alpha} \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}\alpha)}{1 + 2(\omega\tau)^{1-\alpha} \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}\alpha) + (\omega\tau)^{(2-2\alpha)}}$$

$$\chi''(\omega) = (\chi_T - \chi_s) \frac{(\omega\tau)^{1-\alpha} \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}\alpha)}{1 + 2(\omega\tau)^{1-\alpha} \sin(\frac{\pi}{2}\alpha) + (\omega\tau)^{(2-2\alpha)}}$$

$$\chi''_{\omega=\tau^{-1}} = (\chi_T - \chi_s) \frac{\cos(\frac{\pi}{2}\alpha)}{2 + 2\sin(\frac{\pi}{2}\alpha)} = \frac{1}{2}(\chi_T - \chi_s) \tan \frac{\pi}{4}(1-\alpha)$$

2 (a) H. X. Zhang, S. Y. Lin, S. F. Xue, C. Wang and J. K. Tang, *Dalton Trans.*, 2014, **43**, 6262–6268; (b) K. Suzuki, R. Sato and N. Mizuno, *Chem. Sci.*, 2013, **4**, 596–600; (c) K. S. Cole and R. H. Cole, *J. Chem. Phys.*, 1941, **9**, 341–351.

Table S5 Relaxation fitting parameters from Least-Squares Fitting of $\chi(\omega)$ data of **2** under a zero applied dc field.

$T(K)$	$\Delta\chi_1$ (cm ³ mol ⁻¹)	$\Delta\chi_2$ (cm ³ mol ⁻¹)	$\tau(s)$	α
2.0	0.318	2.941	6.8321×10 ⁻⁴	0.151
2.2	0.287	2.673	6.7971×10 ⁻⁴	0.152
2.4	0.264	2.451	6.7689×10 ⁻⁴	0.151
2.6	0.244	2.261	6.7409×10 ⁻⁴	0.150
2.8	0.226	2.103	6.7010×10 ⁻⁴	0.150
3.0	0.242	2.182	6.6255×10 ⁻⁴	0.148
3.2	0.198	1.845	6.6306×10 ⁻⁴	0.150
3.4	0.189	1.738	6.5858×10 ⁻⁴	0.150
3.6	0.176	1.642	6.5379×10 ⁻⁴	0.149
3.8	0.167	1.557	6.4867×10 ⁻⁴	0.149
4.0	0.159	1.480	6.4192×10 ⁻⁴	0.148
4.2	0.152	1.410	6.3570×10 ⁻⁴	0.147
4.4	0.145	1.346	6.2696×10 ⁻⁴	0.146
4.6	0.139	1.288	6.1728×10 ⁻⁴	0.143
4.8	0.134	1.235	6.0597×10 ⁻⁴	0.141
5.0	0.129	1.186	5.9299×10 ⁻⁴	0.139
5.2	0.123	1.140	5.7810×10 ⁻⁴	0.136
5.5	0.117	1.078	5.5297×10 ⁻⁴	0.131
5.7	0.113	1.040	5.3372×10 ⁻⁴	0.128
6.0	0.106	0.988	5.0223×10 ⁻⁴	0.122
6.5	0.0939	0.911	4.4472×10 ⁻⁴	0.115
7.0	0.0828	0.846	3.8553×10 ⁻⁴	0.111
7.5	0.0711	0.790	3.2798×10 ⁻⁴	0.108
8.0	0.0588	0.740	2.75243×10 ⁻⁴	0.109
10.0	0.0223	0.594	1.2853×10 ⁻⁴	0.123

12.0	0.0558	0.495	6.9160×10^{-5}	0.0834
14.0	0.0127	0.425	2.5046×10^{-5}	0.0790

Table S6 Relaxation fitting parameters from Least-Squares Fitting of $\chi(\omega)$ data of **1** under 1000 Oe dc field.

$T(\text{K})$	$\Delta\chi_1 (\text{cm}^3\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\Delta\chi_2 (\text{cm}^3\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\tau(\text{s})$	α
2	0.291	3.113	8.1696×10^{-4}	0.356
2.2	0.269	2.826	8.0601×10^{-4}	0.354
2.4	0.254	2.589	8.0342×10^{-4}	0.351
2.6	0.231	2.386	7.8291×10^{-4}	0.351
2.8	0.218	2.218	7.6989×10^{-4}	0.347
3	0.208	2.073	7.5666×10^{-4}	0.343
3.2	0.200	1.944	7.3858×10^{-4}	0.337
3.4	0.194	1.832	7.1610×10^{-4}	0.329
3.6	0.190	1.730	6.8764×10^{-4}	0.319
3.8	0.185	1.639	6.4997×10^{-4}	0.307
4	0.180	1.556	6.0408×10^{-4}	0.295
4.2	0.173	1.482	5.5086×10^{-4}	0.283
4.4	0.164	1.414	4.9229×10^{-4}	0.272
4.6	0.153	1.352	4.3111×10^{-4}	0.265
4.8	0.140	1.295	3.7121×10^{-4}	0.262
5	0.127	1.243	3.1574×10^{-4}	0.263

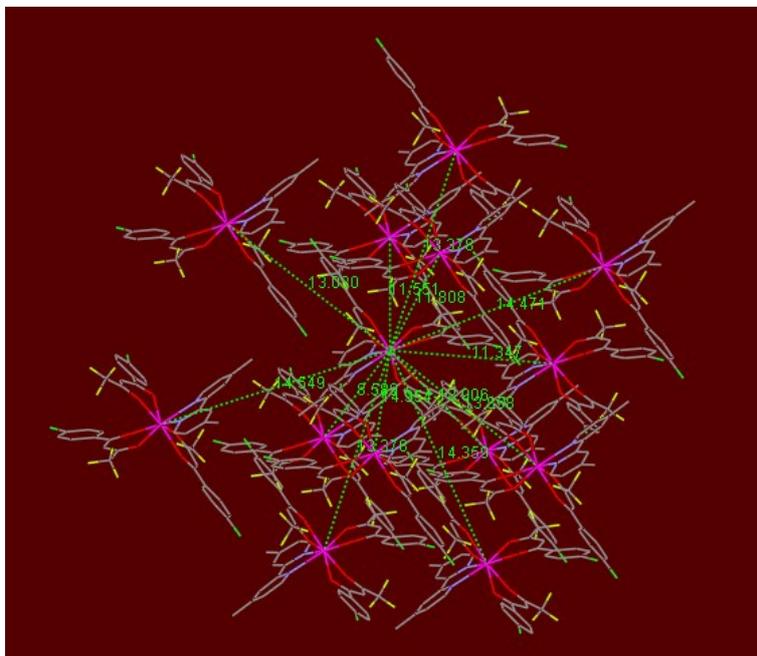


Fig. S3 The nearest-neighbour numbers and distances between adjacent dysprosium centers in **1**.

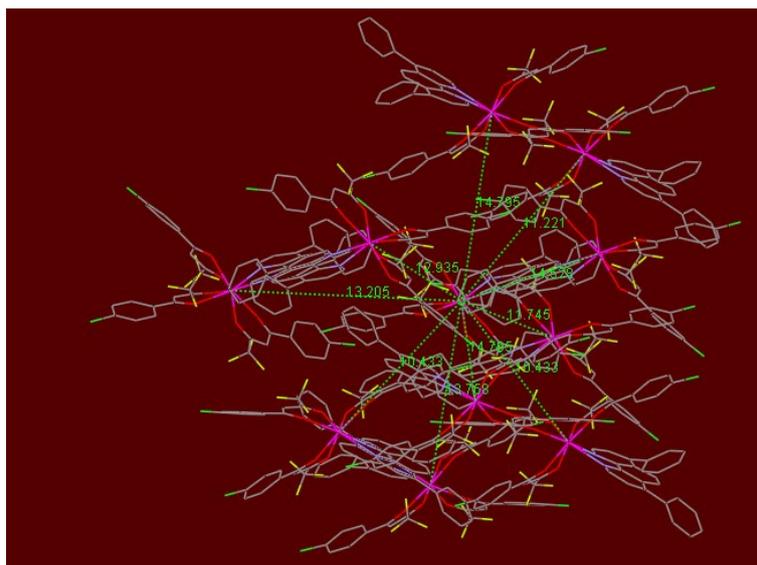


Fig. S4 The nearest-neighbour numbers and distances between adjacent dysprosium centers in compound **2**.

Table S7 The nearest-neighbour distances r_{nn} and use the value R , which is the sum of all the nearest-neighbour r_{nn}^{-3} , as a semi-quantitative parameter describing the internal dipolar field.

1	r_{nn} (Å)	model_dipolar (r_{nn}^{-3})	2	r_{nn} (Å)	model_dipolar (r_{nn}^{-3})
d1	8.589	0.001578237	d1	10.433	0.000881
d2	13.03	0.000452029	d2	14.795	0.000309
d4	14.359	0.000337775	d4	14.528	0.000326
d5	13.906	0.000371872	d5	11.745	0.000617
d6	13.378	0.000417663	d6	13.768	0.000383
d7	14.549	0.000324714	d7	13.205	0.000434
d8	11.551	0.000648845	d8	12.935	0.000462
d9	13.378	0.000417663	d9	10.433	0.000881
d10	14.471	0.000329993	d10	14.795	0.000309
d11	11.347	0.000684474			Average Value 0.004602
d12	13.858	0.000375749			
d13	14.954	0.000299039			
d14	11.808	0.000607395			
		Average Value 0.006845449			