

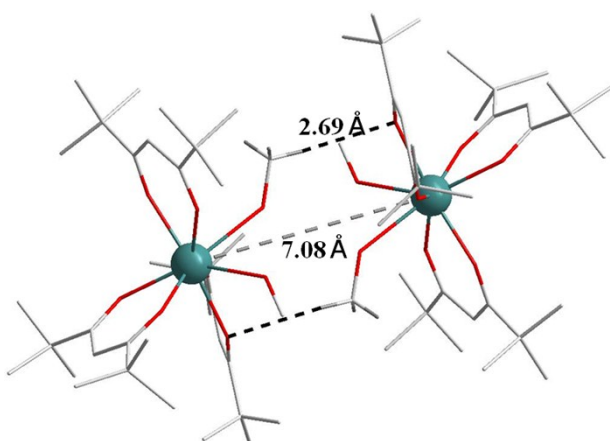
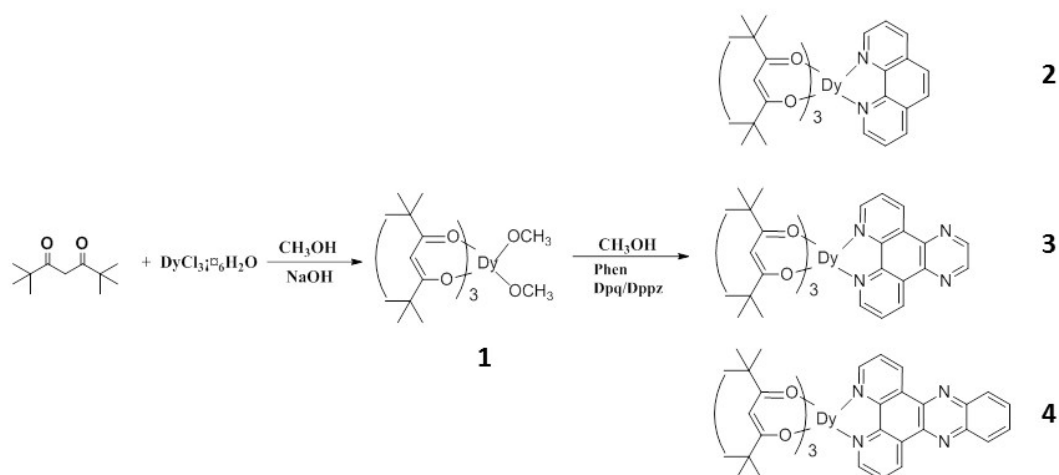
## Supporting Information

### Single-ion magnets with $D_{4d}$ symmetry based on electron-donating $\beta$ -diketonate Dy(III) complexes

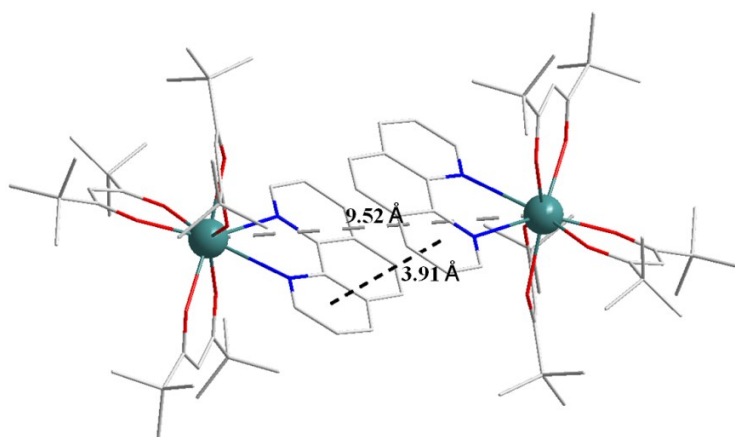
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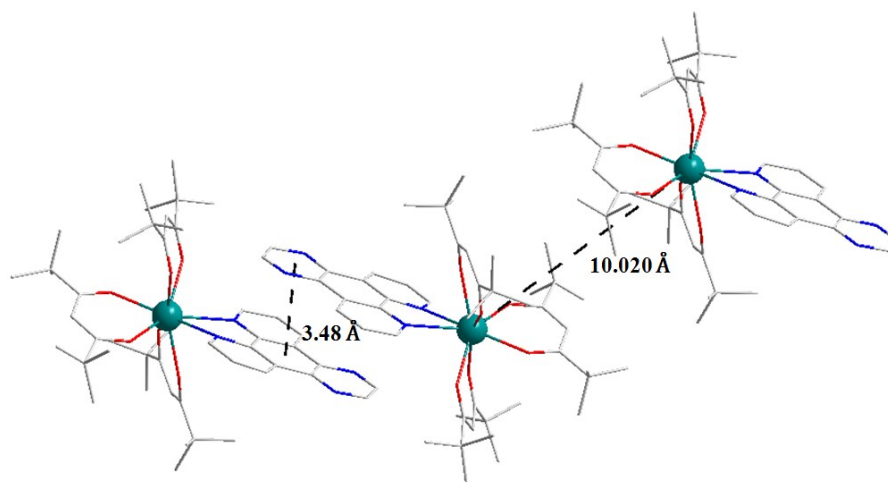
#### Scheme S1. Synthesis of complexes 1–4.



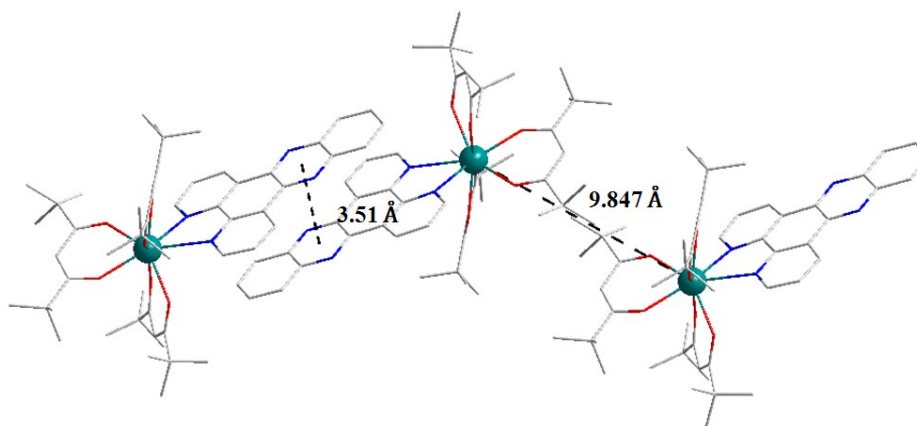
**Figure S1.** The hydrogen bonds interactions between the molecules in complex **1**.



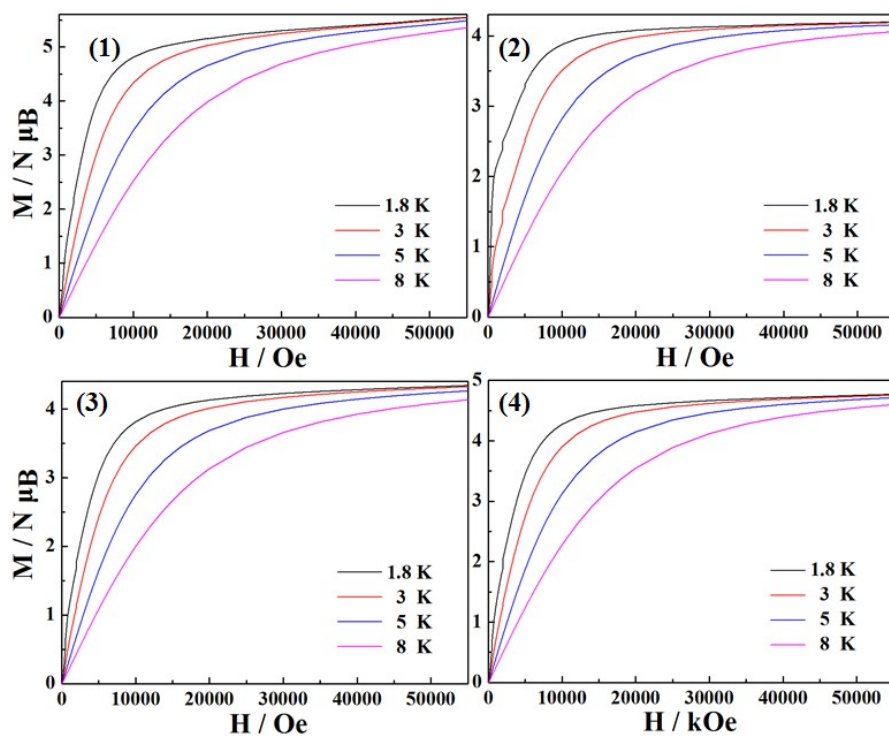
**Figure S2.** The  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking between the molecules in complex **2**.



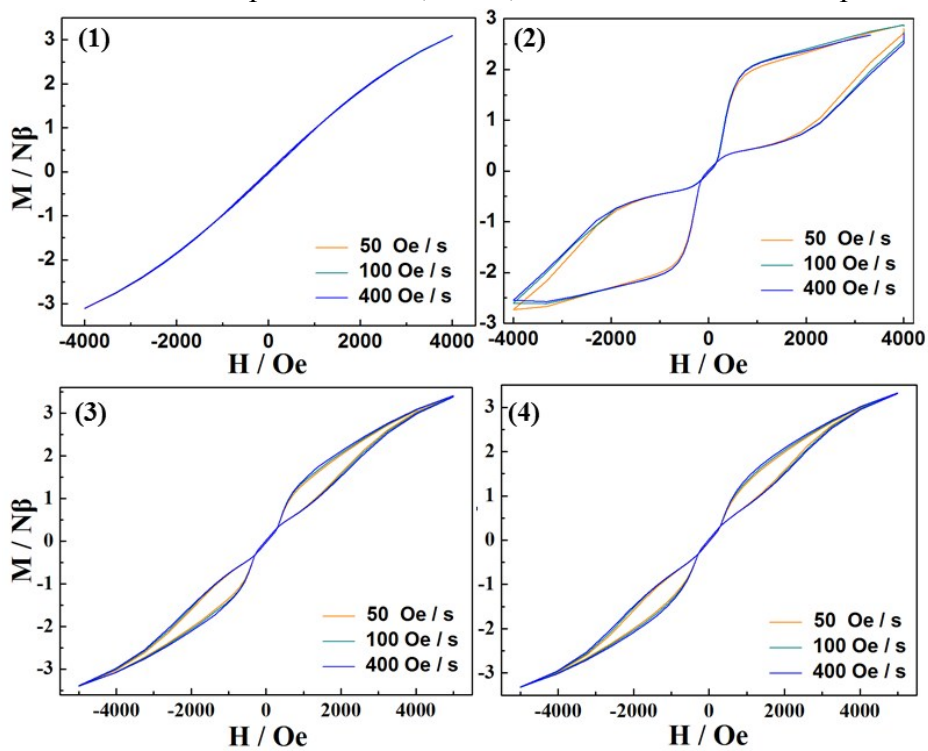
**Figure S3.** The  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking between the molecules in complex **3**.



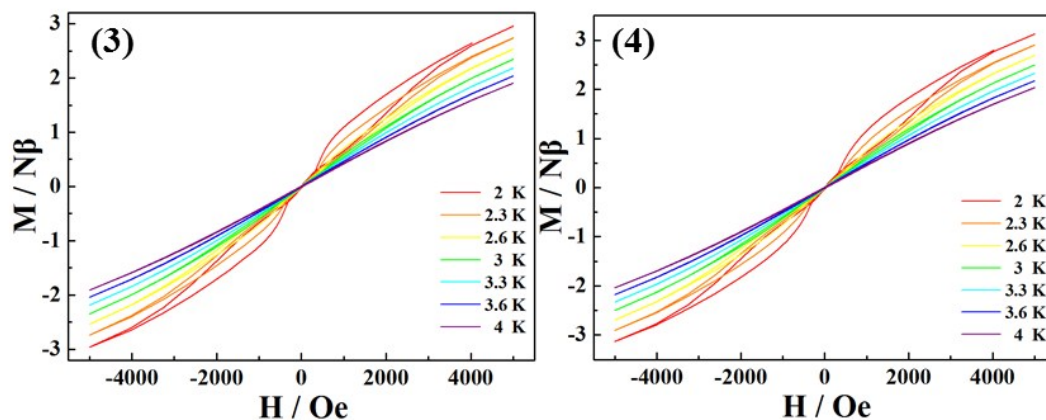
**Figure S4.** The  $\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking between the molecules in complex **4**.



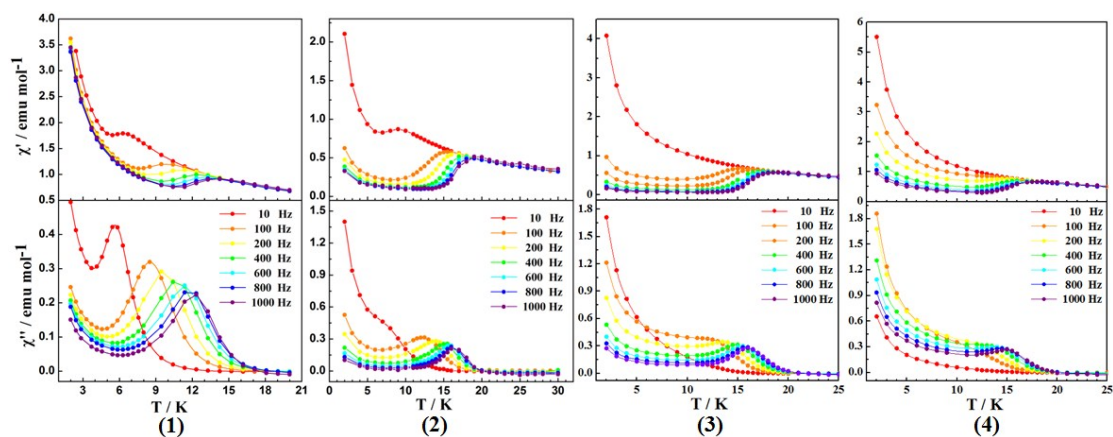
**Figure S5.** M versus H plots at 1.8 K, 3.0 K, 5.0 K and 8.0 K for complexes 1–4.



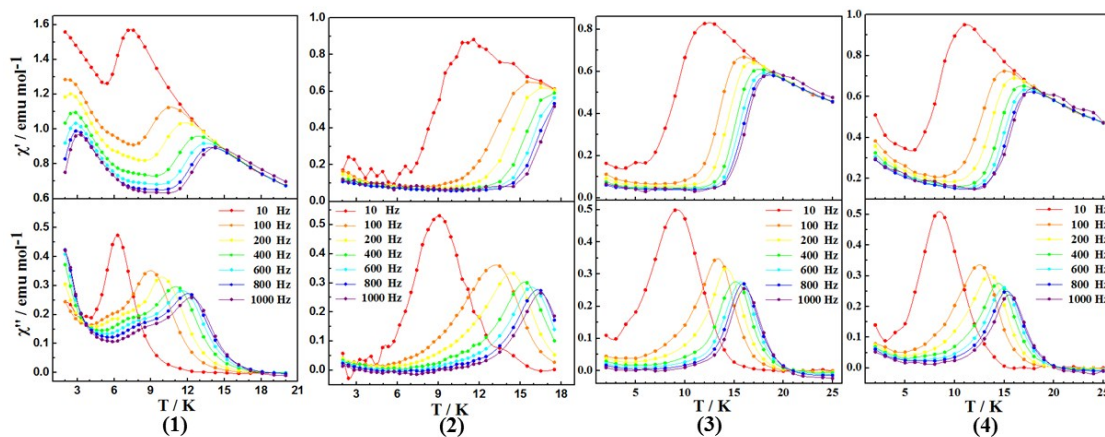
**Figure S6.** Hysteresis loops for the complexes 1–4 at 1.8 K.



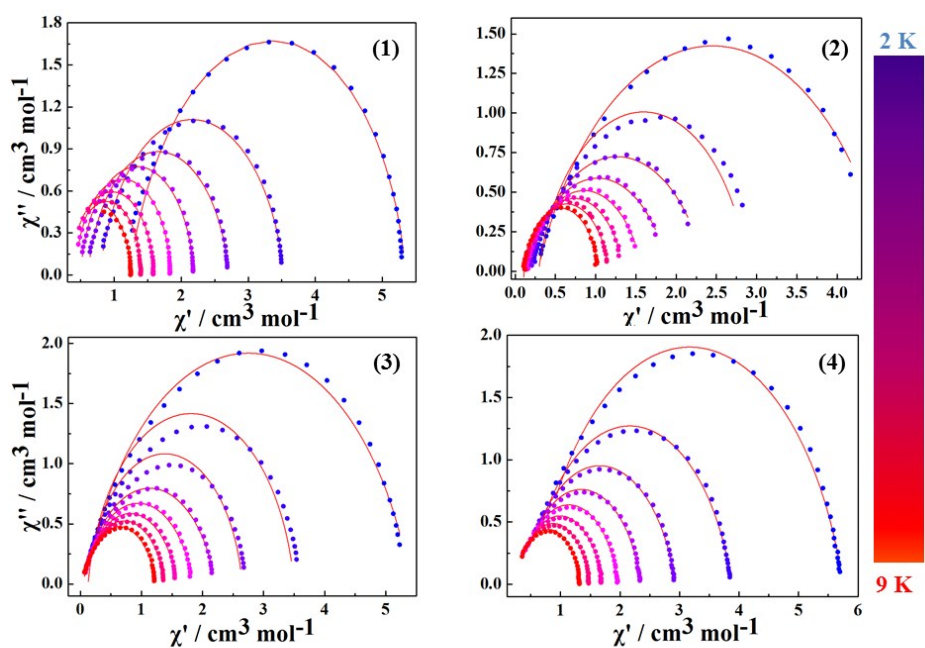
**Figure S7.** Hysteresis loop for complexes **3** and **4** at various temperatures.



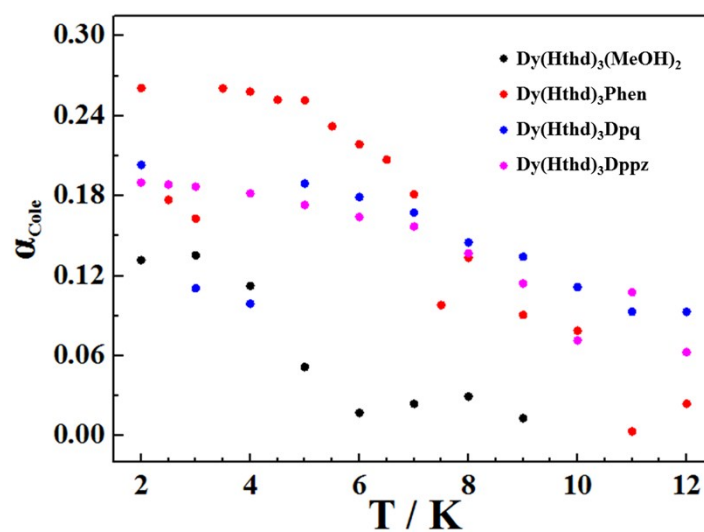
**Figure S8.** Temperature dependence of the in-phase ( $\chi'$ ) and out-of-phase ( $\chi''$ ) ac susceptibility under 0 Oe in the frequency range 10–1000 Hz for complexes **1–4**.



**Figure S9.** Temperature dependence of the in-phase ( $\chi'$ ) and out-of-phase ( $\chi''$ ) ac susceptibility under 1000 Oe in the frequency range 1–1000 Hz complexes **1–4**.



**Figure S10.** Cole–Cole plots measured at 2–9 K in 0 dc field for complexes 1–4.



**Figure S11.** Fitted broadness parameters  $\alpha_{\text{Cole}}$  as functions of temperature for complexes 1–4.

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for complexes **1–4**.

<b>1</b>		<b>2</b>	
Dy(1)–O(1)	2.293(3)	Dy(1)–O(1)	2.324(2)
Dy(1)–O(2)	2.269(3)	Dy(1)–O(2)	2.277(2)
Dy(1)–O(3)	2.356(3)	Dy(1)–O(3)	2.325(2)
Dy(1)–O(4)	2.280(3)	Dy(1)–O(4)	2.355(2)
Dy(1)–O(5)	2.326(3)	Dy(1)–O(5)	2.317(2)
Dy(1)–O(6)	2.318(3)	Dy(1)–O(6)	2.308(2)
Dy(1)–O(7)	2.516(4)	Dy(1)–N(1)	2.308(2)
Dy(1)–O(8)	2.552(4)	Dy(1)–N(2)	2.308(2)
O(2)–Dy(1)–O(1)	73.17(11)	O(2)–Dy(1)–O(1)	73.30(7)
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(1)	78.26(11)	O(3)–Dy(1)–O(1)	79.45(8)
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(1)	116.31(11)	O(4)–Dy(1)–O(1)	141.37(7)
O(5)–Dy(1)–O(1)	144.49(10)	O(3)–Dy(1)–O(2)	84.71(8)
O(6)–Dy(1)–O(1)	82.75(11)	O(3)–Dy(1)–O(6)	150.94(8)
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(2)	79.65(11)	O(4)–Dy(1)–O(5)	141.70(7)
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(3)	71.74(10)	O(1)–Dy(1)–O(5)	76.58(8)
O(2)–Dy(1)–O(3)	124.28(11)	O(3)–Dy(1)–O(5)	136.72(8)
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(5)	80.21(11)	O(4)–Dy(1)–O(2)	78.51(8)
O(2)–Dy(1)–O(5)	79.98(12)	O(3)–Dy(1)–O(2)	84.71(8)
O(2)–Dy(1)–O(6)	84.98(12)	O(6)–Dy(1)–O(2)	79.46(8)
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(6)	137.25(10)	O(5)–Dy(1)–O(2)	121.08(8)
<b>3</b>		<b>4</b>	
Dy(1)–O(1)	2.270(2)	2.306(4)	
Dy(1)–O(2)	2.311(3)	2.271(4)	
Dy(1)–O(3)	2.319(3)	2.327(4)	
Dy(1)–O(4)	2.291(2)	2.330(4)	
Dy(1)–O(5)	2.331(3)	2.320(3)	
Dy(1)–O(6)	2.334(3)	2.298(4)	
Dy(1)–N(1)	2.579(3)	2.613(5)	
Dy(1)–N(2)	2.614(3)	2.589(5)	
O(2)–Dy(1)–O(1)	73.47(9)	2.298(4)	
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(1)	121.75(10)	140.73(13)	
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(1)	79.87(10)	78.27(14)	
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(2)	76.78(10)	79.04(14)	
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(6)	136.27(10)	81.77(13)	
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(5)	82.00(10)	135.92(13)	
O(1)–Dy(1)–O(5)	79.90(10)	77.35(13)	
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(5)	141.20(9)	141.76(13)	
O(4)–Dy(1)–O(2)	118.47(10)	84.91(14)	
O(3)–Dy(1)–O(2)	76.78(10)	79.04(14)	
O(6)–Dy(1)–O(2)	78.57(10)	79.96(13)	
O(5)–Dy(1)–O(2)	141.93(10)	121.49(14)	

**Table S2.** The selected bond lengths (Å) for reported analogs.

Complexes	Dy–O <sub>1</sub>	Dy–O <sub>2</sub>	Dy–O <sub>3</sub>	Dy–O <sub>4</sub>	Dy–O <sub>5</sub>	Dy–O <sub>6</sub>
Dy(hfac) <sub>3</sub> (bpy) <sup>[1]</sup>	2.325(4)	2.314(4)	2.359(4)	2.354(4)	2.356(4)	2.354(4)
Dy(TFI) <sub>3</sub> (bpy) <sup>[2]</sup>	2.315(6)	2.363(6)	2.328(6)	2.311(6)	2.359(6)	2.346(5)
Dy(TTA) <sub>3</sub> (bpy) <sup>[3]</sup>	2.337(4)	2.297(4)	2.313(4)	2.346(4)	2.321(4)	2.342(4)
Dy(acac) <sub>3</sub> (phen) <sup>[4]</sup>	2.321(3)	2.309(3)	2.318(3)	2.335(3)	2.331(3)	2.324(3)
Dy(TFI) <sub>3</sub> (phen) <sup>[2]</sup>	2.376(3)	2.315(3)	2.312(3)	2.347(3)	2.352(3)	2.312(3)
Dy(TTA) <sub>3</sub> (phen) <sup>[3]</sup>	2.331(5)	2.319(5)	2.315(5)	2.346(5)	2.308(5)	2.321(5)
Dy(acac) <sub>3</sub> (dpq)	2.302(7)	2.313(7)	2.313(7)	2.319(7)	2.331(7)	2.375(7)
Dy(acac) <sub>3</sub> (dppz)	2.291(13)	2.313(12)	2.313(12)	2.316(12)	2.325(12)	2.349(13)

**Table S3** The mononuclear dysprosium complexes based on β-diketonate ligands and auxiliary ligands behaving as SIM

Complexes	U <sub>eff</sub>	External field	coordination geometry	Reference
[Dy(hfac) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]		No SMM behavior		36
[Dy(hfac) <sub>3</sub> (bpy)]	38.48 K	0 Oe	D <sub>2d</sub>	39
[Dy(TFI) <sub>3</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]		No SMM behavior		14
[Dy(TFI) <sub>3</sub> (bpy)]	48.8 K	0 Oe	D <sub>2d</sub>	14
[Dy(TFI) <sub>3</sub> (phen)]	57.9 K	0 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	14
[Dy(TTA) <sub>3</sub> (bpy)]	58 K	0 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	46
[Dy(TTA) <sub>3</sub> (phen)]	85 K	0 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	46
[Dy(d-tfc) <sub>3</sub> (bpy)]	37 and 46 K	1000 Oe	unknown	15
[Dy(l-tfc) <sub>3</sub> (bpy)]	37 and 49 K	1000 Oe	unknown	15
[Dy(d-tfc) <sub>3</sub> (phen)]	31 K	1000 Oe	unknown	15
[Dy(l-tfc) <sub>3</sub> (phen)]	25 K	1000 Oe	unknown	15
[Dy(tfnb) <sub>3</sub> (dppz)]	65 K	0 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	45
[Dy(EIFD) <sub>3</sub> (bpy)]	28.8 K	0 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	20
[Dy(EIFD) <sub>3</sub> (phen)]	41.8 K	0 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	20
[Dy(EIFD) <sub>3</sub> (dpq)]	41.7 K	450 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	20
[Dy(EIFD) <sub>3</sub> (dppz)]	32.4 K	1500 Oe	D <sub>4d</sub>	20

