

## Electronic Supporting Information

### **Thiacalix[4]arene-supported mononuclear lanthanide compounds: slow magnetic relaxation in dysprosium and erbium analogues**

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**Table S1** Selected bond angles (deg) for **1–4**

	<b>1 (Tb)</b>	<b>2 (Dy)</b>	<b>3 (Ho)</b>	<b>4 (Er)</b>
O2-Ln1-O4	103.38 (11)	103.69 (11)	103.3 (2)	103.82 (9)
O2-Ln1-O7	111.66 (12)	111.38 (11)	121.9 (2)	113.68 (10)
O4-Ln1-O7	122.80 (11)	122.39 (11)	111.6 (2)	120.01 (10)
O2-Ln1-O6	159.99 (13)	160.11 (12)	149.4 (2)	157.94 (10)
O4-Ln1-O6	84.59 (10)	84.43 (10)	86.9 (2)	84.05 (9)
O7-Ln1-O6	77.55 (11)	77.73 (11)	78.7 (2)	78.16 (9)
O2-Ln1-O5	87.41 (11)	87.35 (11)	84.5 (2)	85.69 (9)
O4-Ln1-O5	148.14 (12)	148.38 (11)	160.1 (2)	150.47 (9)
O7-Ln1-O5	78.37 (11)	78.51 (11)	78.0 (2)	79.23 (9)
O6-Ln1-O5	76.87 (11)	76.98 (11)	77.8 (2)	78.17 (9)
O2-Ln1-O1	82.34 (10)	82.56 (10)	78.30 (19)	82.14 (9)
O4-Ln1-O1	77.44 (10)	77.87 (9)	82.51 (19)	78.70 (9)
O7-Ln1-O1	148.75 (10)	148.78 (10)	148.90 (17)	148.58 (8)
O6-Ln1-O1	81.56 (10)	81.46 (10)	74.51 (19)	79.24 (9)
O5-Ln1-O1	74.40 (10)	74.28 (10)	81.2 (2)	74.98 (8)
O2-Ln1-O3	77.48 (10)	77.37 (9)	78.42 (18)	77.76 (9)
O4-Ln1-O3	79.11 (9)	79.05 (9)	77.64 (18)	78.72 (8)
O7-Ln1-O3	66.79 (9)	66.47 (9)	66.22 (17)	66.39 (8)
O6-Ln1-O3	122.36 (11)	122.33 (11)	132.16 (19)	124.24 (9)
O5-Ln1-O3	132.74 (10)	132.55 (10)	122.1 (2)	130.81 (8)
O1-Ln1-O3	144.40 (8)	144.68 (8)	144.84 (15)	145.03 (7)

**Table S2.** Shape analysis for the metal centers of **1–4**

ML7	PBPY-7	COC-7	CTPR-7	JPBPY-7
Tb1	5.667	<b>1.501</b>	1.623	8.035
Dy1	5.713	<b>1.512</b>	1.655	8.056
Ho1	5.720	<b>1.524</b>	1.611	8.131
Er1	6.271	<b>1.297</b>	1.426	8.737
Dy1 <sup>[S1]</sup>	6.598	<b>1.095</b>	1.616	8.994
Tb1 <sup>[S1]</sup>	6.536	<b>1.064</b>	1.596	9.028

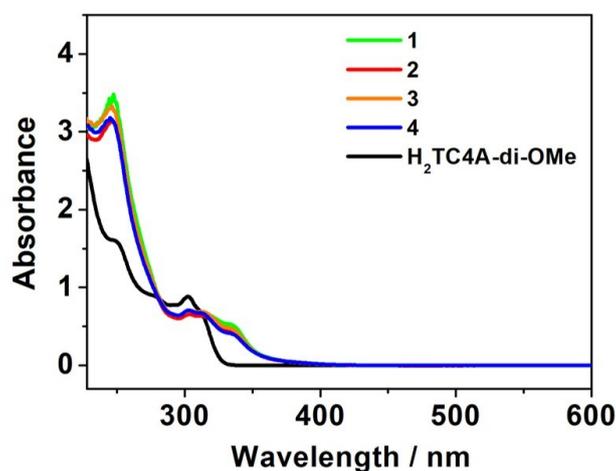
PBPY-7 ( $D_{5h}$ ): Pentagonal bipyramidCOC-7 ( $C_{3v}$ ): Capped octahedronCTPR-7 ( $C_{2v}$ ): Capped trigonal prismJPBPY-7 ( $D_{5h}$ ): Johnson pentagonal bipyramid J13

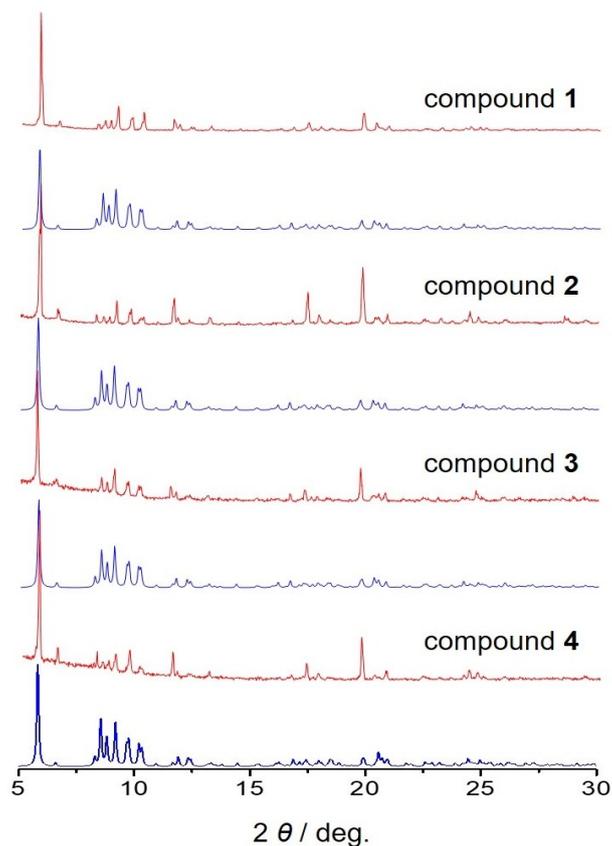
**Table S3.** Fitting of the Cole-Cole plots for **2** with an extended Debye model under 1 kOe dc field

T / K	$\chi_s / \text{cm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1}$	$\chi_t / \text{cm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1}$	$\tau_1 / \text{s}$	$\alpha_1$	$\tau_2 / \text{s}$	$\alpha_2$
1.9	1.79E-01	6.38E+00	1.09E-01	2.28E-01		
2.1	1.49E-01	5.59E+00	5.12E-02	2.32E-01		
2.3	8.07E-02	5.35E+00	2.95E-02	2.82E-01		
2.5	1.91E-01	4.87E+00	6.66E-03	9.87E-02	6.73E-02	1.75E-02
2.7	2.06E-01	4.27E+00	1.88E-03	6.08E-02	2.25E-02	8.60E-02
2.9	2.42E-01	3.89E+00	8.10E-04	1.49E-02	9.54E-03	1.39E-01
3.2	2.87E-01	3.57E+00	4.15E-04	2.81E-04	4.97E-03	1.39E-01
3.5	3.70E-01	1.64E+00			1.94E-03	1.42E-01
4	1.14E+00	1.49E+00			8.74E-04	1.45E-01
4.5	1.14E+00	2.55E+00			3.74E-04	1.81E-01

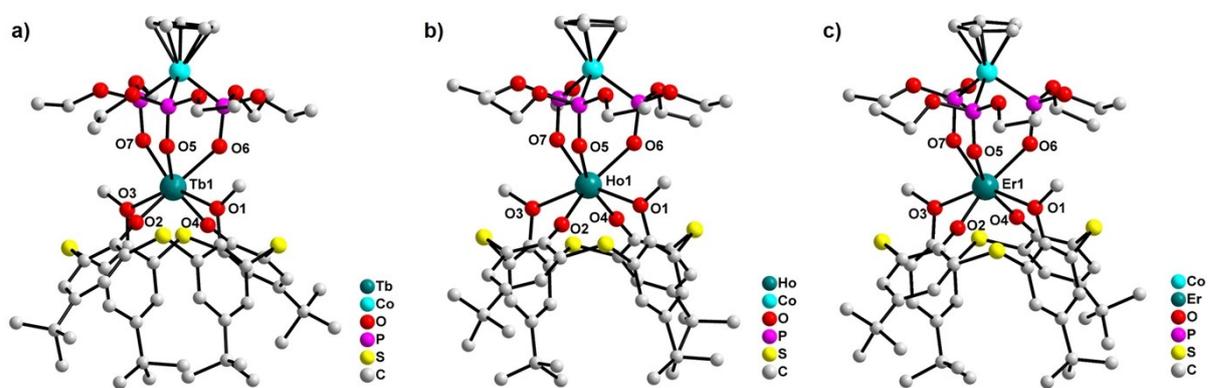
**Table S4.** Fitting of the Cole-Cole plots for **4** with a generalized Debye model under 1 kOe dc field

T / K	$\chi_s / \text{cm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1}$	$\chi_t / \text{cm}^3 \text{mol}^{-1}$	$\tau / \text{s}$	$\alpha$
1.9	2.68E-01	3.86E+00	2.07E-02	2.20E-01
2.1	2.58E-01	3.44E+00	1.14E-02	1.67E-01
2.3	2.39E-01	3.13E+00	6.14E-03	1.28E-01
2.5	2.16E-01	2.87E+00	3.29E-03	1.01E-01
2.7	2.01E-01	2.66E+00	1.74E-03	8.05E-02
2.9	1.94E-01	2.48E+00	9.83E-04	5.83E-02
3.1	1.84E-01	2.27E+00	5.58E-04	3.51E-02
3.5	3.36E-01	2.09E+00	2.16E-04	2.86E-02

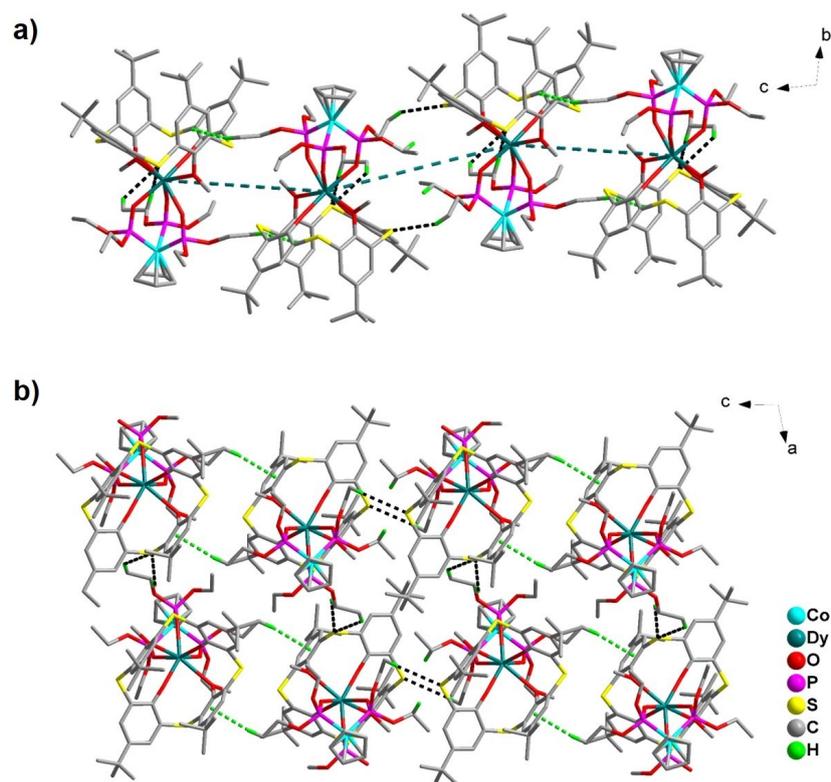
**Fig. S1** UV-vis absorption spectra for compounds **1–4** in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ .



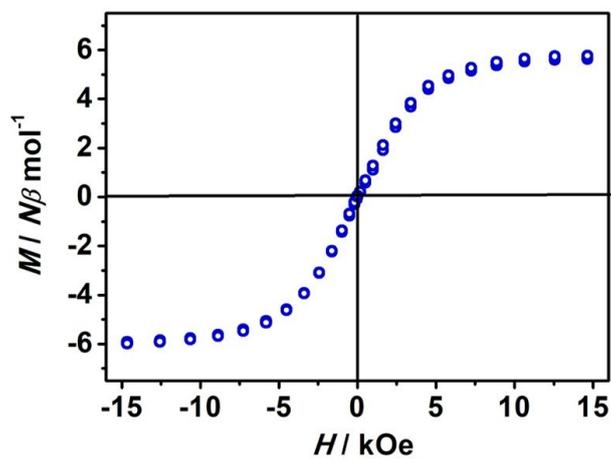
**Fig. S2** The PXRD patterns obtained from the as-synthesized solids (red lines) and the simulated ones (blue lines) from the single crystal data of compounds **1–4**.



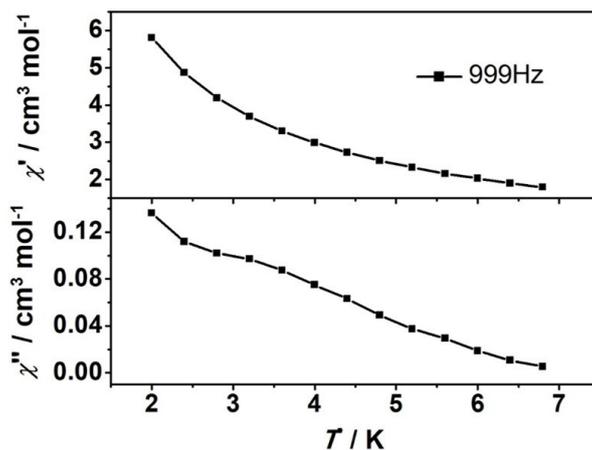
**Fig. S3** Crystal structure of compound  $[\text{Tb}(\text{TC4A-di-OMe})(\text{LOEt})]$  (**1**) (a),  $[\text{Ho}(\text{TC4A-di-OMe})(\text{LOEt})]$  (**2**) (b), and  $[\text{Er}(\text{TC4A-di-OMe})(\text{LOEt})]$  (**4**) (c).



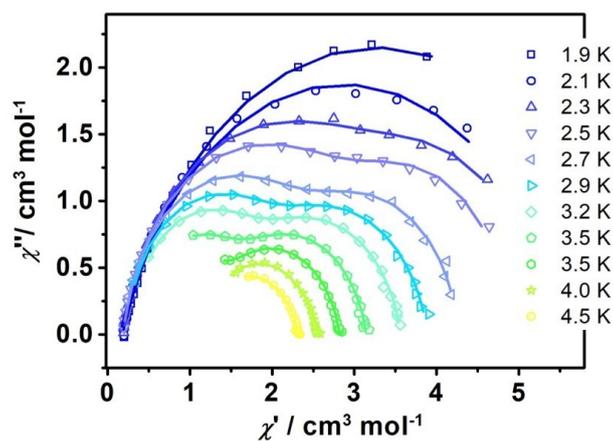
**Fig. S4** The extended structure of compound **2** in the  $bc$  plane (a) and  $ac$  plane (b), showing various  $C-H \cdots S$  (black dashed line) and  $C-H \cdots \pi$  (green dashed line) interactions between the neighboring molecules.



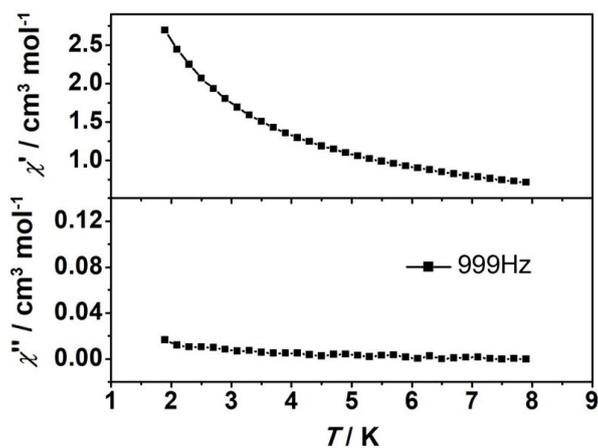
**Fig. S5** Plots of  $M$  versus  $H$  at 2 K from -15 to 15 kOe for **2**.



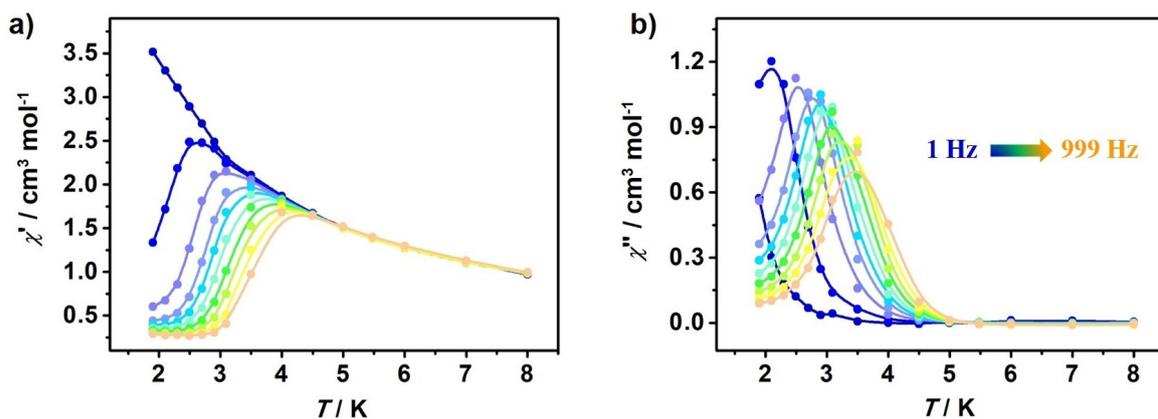
**Fig. S6** Temperature-dependent in-phase  $\chi'$  and out-of-phase  $\chi''$  ac susceptibility signals for **2** at the frequency of 999 Hz under zero dc field.



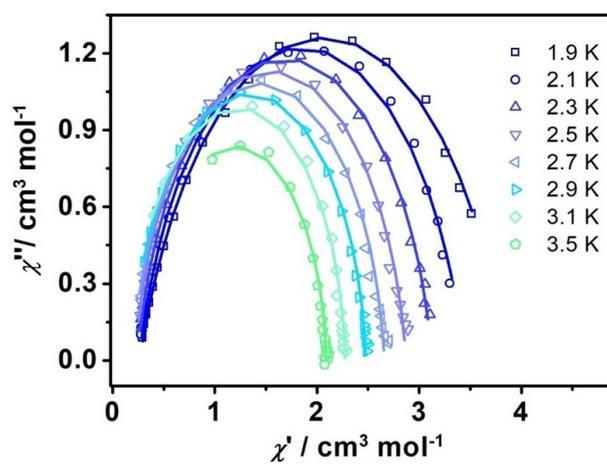
**Fig. S7** Cole–Cole plots for **2** under a 1 kOe dc field. The solid lines represent the fit to the extended Debye model at the indicated temperatures.



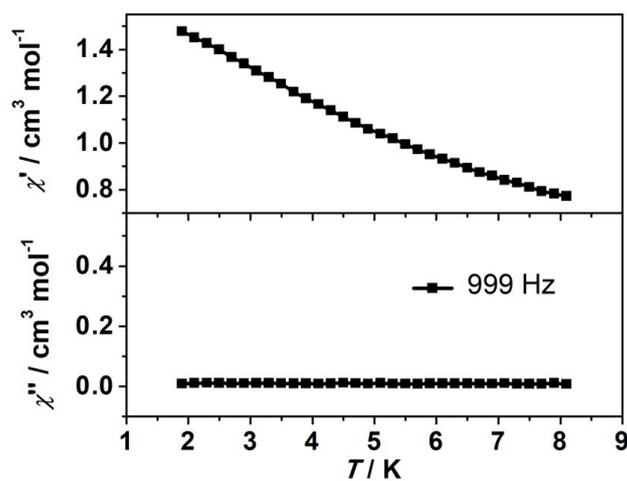
**Fig. S8** Temperature-dependent in-phase  $\chi'$  and out-of-phase  $\chi''$  ac susceptibility signals for **4** at the frequency of 999 Hz under zero dc field.



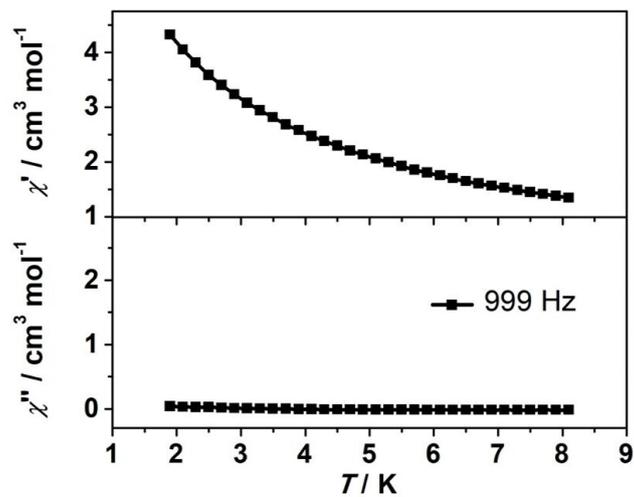
**Fig. S9** Temperature-dependent in-phase  $\chi'$  (a) and out-of-phase  $\chi''$  (b) ac susceptibilities under 1 kOe dc field for **4**.



**Fig. S10** Cole-Cole plots for **4** under a 1 kOe dc field. The solid lines represent the fit to the generalized Debye model at the indicated temperatures.



**Fig. S11** Temperature-dependent in-phase  $\chi'$  and out-of-phase  $\chi''$  ac susceptibility signals for **1** at the frequency of 999 Hz under 1 kOe dc field.



**Fig. S12** Temperature-dependent in-phase  $\chi'$  and out-of-phase  $\chi''$  ac susceptibility signals for **3** at the frequency of 999 Hz under 1 kOe dc field.

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