

Electronic Supplementary Information

Peculiarities of crystal structures and photophysical properties of Ga^{III}/Ln^{III} metallacrowns with a non-planar [12-MC-4] Core

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Table S1. Crystallographic details for **Tb-1** and **Yb-1**.

	Tb-1	Yb-1
mol formula	C ₇₂ H ₅₈ N ₁₃ O ₂₁ Ga ₄ Tb	C ₇₃ H _{65.25} N ₁₃ O _{25.12} Ga ₄ Yb
fw (g/mol)	1879.11	1978.55
cryst syst/ space group	Triclinic, <i>P</i> 	Triclinic, <i>P</i> 
<i>T</i> (K)	85(2)	85(2)
wavelength ()	1.54184	1.54184
<i>a</i> ()	16.19696(19)	14.3025(7)
<i>b</i> ()	16.7609(2)	16.1811(6)
<i>c</i> ()	17.6368(2)	19.1090(8)
α (deg)	95. 7057(11)	66.971(4)
β (deg)	105.3324(11)	81.148(4)
γ (deg)	110.4118(12)	78.481(4)
<i>V</i> ( ³)	4229.24(10)	3973.9(3)
<i>Z</i>	2	2
density, ρ (g/cm ³)	1.476	1.654
abs coeff, μ (mm ⁻¹)	6.082	4.341
<i>F</i> (000)	1876	1978
θ range for data collection (deg)	2.658 to 73.989 -19 \leq <i>h</i> \leq 20 -20 \leq <i>k</i> \leq 20 -21 \leq <i>l</i> \leq 21	3.003 to 69.921 -17 \leq <i>h</i> \leq 17 -19 \leq <i>k</i> \leq 19 -22 \leq <i>l</i> \leq 23
reflns collected/ unique	133406 / 16660	59569 / 14459
completeness to θ (%)	98.7	98.0
no. of data/ restraints/ params	16660 / 337 / 1057	14459 / 328 / 1228
goodness of fit on F^2	1.044	1.110
final <i>R</i> indices [<i>I</i> > 2 σ (<i>I</i>)]	R_1 = 0.0456 w R_2 = 0.1332	R_1 = 0.0745 w R_2 = 0.2145
<i>R</i> indices (all data)	R_1 = 0.0462 w R_2 = 0.1341	R_1 = 0.0816 w R_2 = 0.2347
largest diff peak and hole (e ⁻  ⁻³)	0.784 and -1.666	1.271 and -2.711

Table S2. Unit cell parameters of single crystals of **Ln-1** compounds.

Tb-1	Yb-1
a = 16.19696(19), b = 16.7609(2), c = 17.6368(2) α = 95.7057(11), β = 105.3324(11), γ = 110.4118(12) V = 4229.24(10)	a = 14.3025(3), b = 16.1811(6), c = 19.1090(8) α = 66.971(4), β = 81.148(4), γ = 78.481(4) V = 3973.9(3)
Ho-1	Er-1
a = 16.062, b = 16.745, c = 17.782 α = 95.78, β = 105.91, γ = 110.18 V = 4279.33	a = 14.347, b = 16.251, c = 19.185 α = 66.67, β = 81.29, γ = 78.47 V = 4011.60
Gd-1	Tm-1
a = 16.060, b = 16.713, c = 17.813 α = 95.92, β = 106.05, γ = 110.01, V = 4275.73	a = 14.360, b = 16.251, c = 19.180 α = 66.74, β = 81.25, γ = 78.45 V = 4015.66
Dy-1	
a = 16.098, b = 16.780, c = 17.825 α = 95.82, β = 106.08, γ = 110.46 V = 4300.98	

Table S3. SHAPE analysis of nine-coordinate geometry in compound **Tb-1**.

EP (D _{9h})	OPY (C _{8v})	HBPY (D _{7h})	JTC (C _{3v})	JCCU (C _{4v})	CCU (C _{4v})	JCSAPR (C _{4v})	CSAPR (C _{4v})	JTCTPR (D _{3h})	TCTPR (D _{3h})	JTDIC (C _{3v})	HH (C _{2v})	MFF (C _s)
34.68	22.406	14.759	13.176	8.255	6.632	3.421	2.473	3.585	2.115	9.731	9.722	2.724

Abbreviations: EP – Enneagon, OPY – Octagonal pyramid, HBPY – Heptagonal bipyramid, JTC – Triangular cupola, JCCU – Capped cube (elongated square pyramid J8), CCU – Capped Cube, JCSAPR Capped square antiprism (Gyroelongated square pyramid J10), CSAPR – Capped square antiprism, JTCTPR – Tricapped trigonal prism (J51), TCTPR – Tricapped trigonal prism, JTDIC – Tridiminished icosahedron (J63), HH – Hula-hoop, MFF – Muffin

Table S4. SHAPE analysis of eight-coordinate geometry in compound **Yb-1**.

OP (D _{8h})	HPY (C _{7v})	HBPY (D _{6h})	CU (O _h)	SAPR (D _{4d})	TDD (D _{2d})	JGBF (D _{2d})	JETBPY (D _{3h})	JBTP (C _{2v})	BTPR (C _{2v})	JSD (D _{2d})	TT (T _d)	ETBPY (D _{3h})
24.016	19.543	13.913	12.322	6.328	4.698	13.750	24.693	5.557	5.425	6.705	12.409	21.022

Abbreviations: OP – Octagon, HPY – Heptagonal pyramid, HBPY – Hexagonal bipyramid, CU – cube, SAPR – Square antiprism, TDD – Triangular dodecahedron, JGBF – Johnson - Gyrobifastigium (J26), JETBPY – Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid (J14), JBTP – Biaugmented trigonal prism (J50), BTPR – Biaugmented trigonal prism, JSD – Snub diphenoïd (J84), TT – Triakis tetrahedron, ETBPY – Elongated trigonal bipyramid

Table S5. Relative integral intensities of ${}^5\text{D}_4 \rightarrow {}^7\text{F}_J$ ($J = 6-0$) transitions in the emission spectra of **Tb-1** MC in the solid state.

State/Solvent	\int_{4-6}	\int_{4-5}	\int_{4-4}	\int_{4-3}	$\int_{4-2,1,0}$
Solid	0.34	1.00	0.23	0.14	0.05

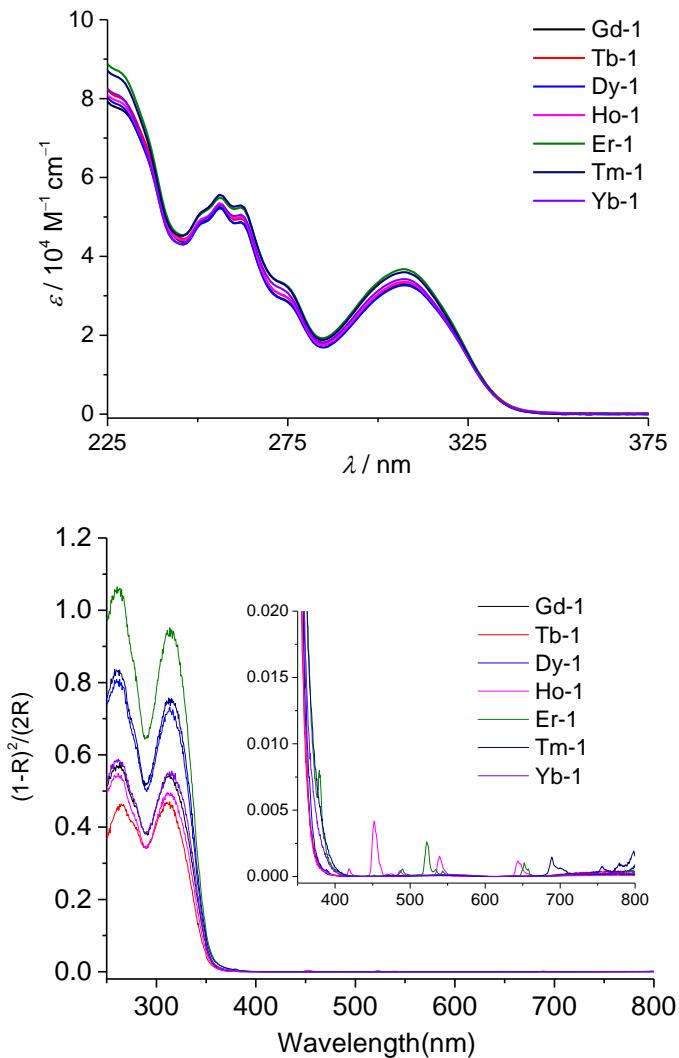


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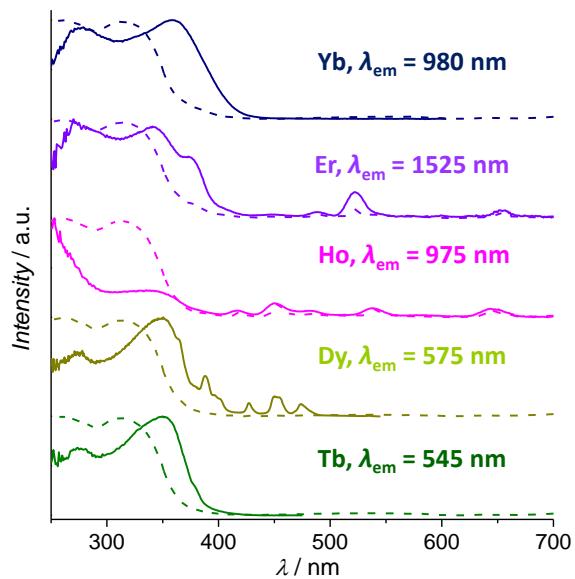


Figure S2. Corrected and normalized excitation (solid lines) under monitoring of the main transitions of the corresponding Ln^{3+} ions and superimposed reflectance (dashed) spectra of the **Ln-1** ($\text{Ln}^{\text{III}} = \text{Tb}, \text{Dy}, \text{Ho}, \text{Er}, \text{Yb}$) MCs in the solid state at room temperature.

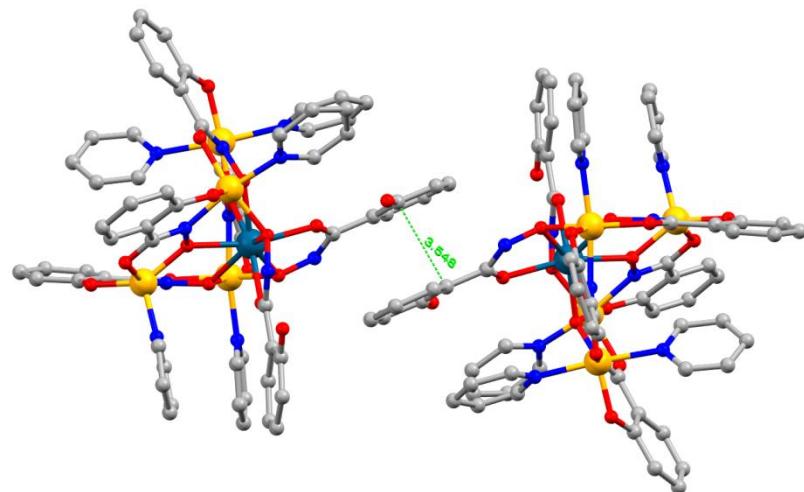
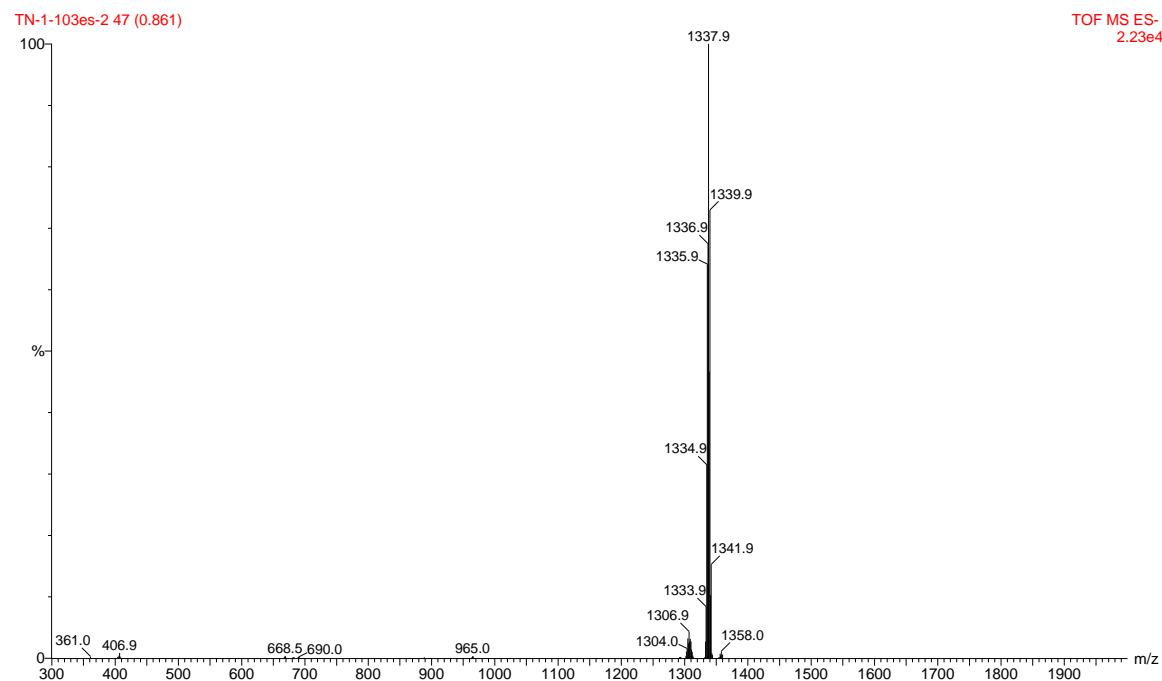


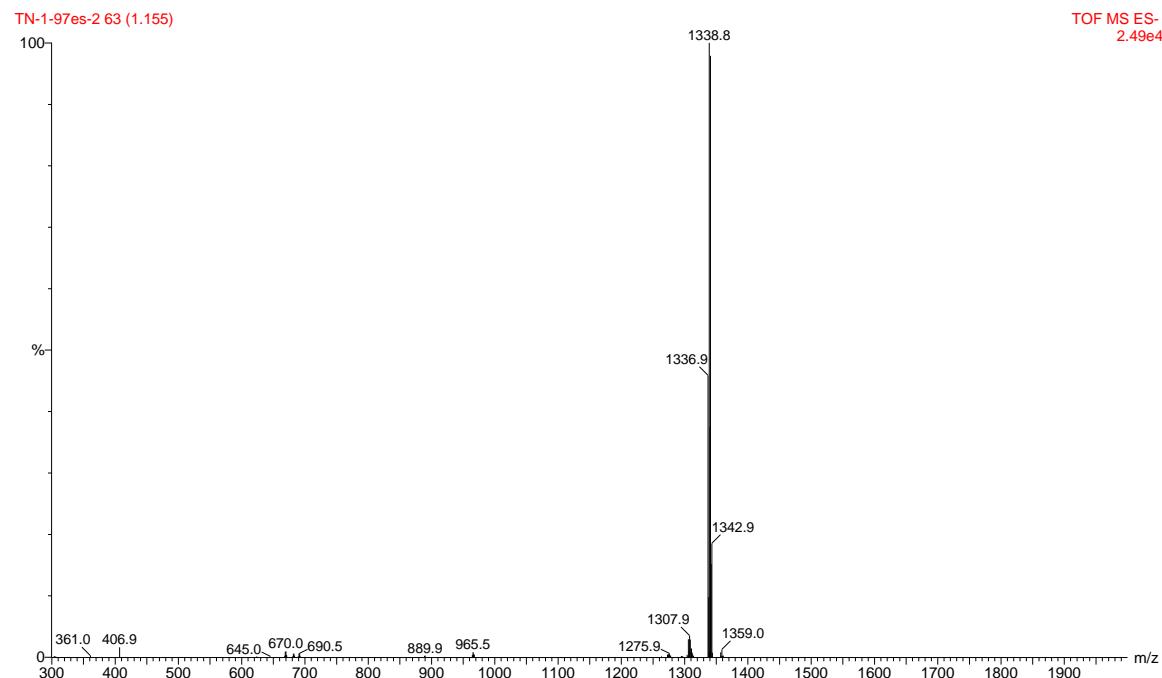
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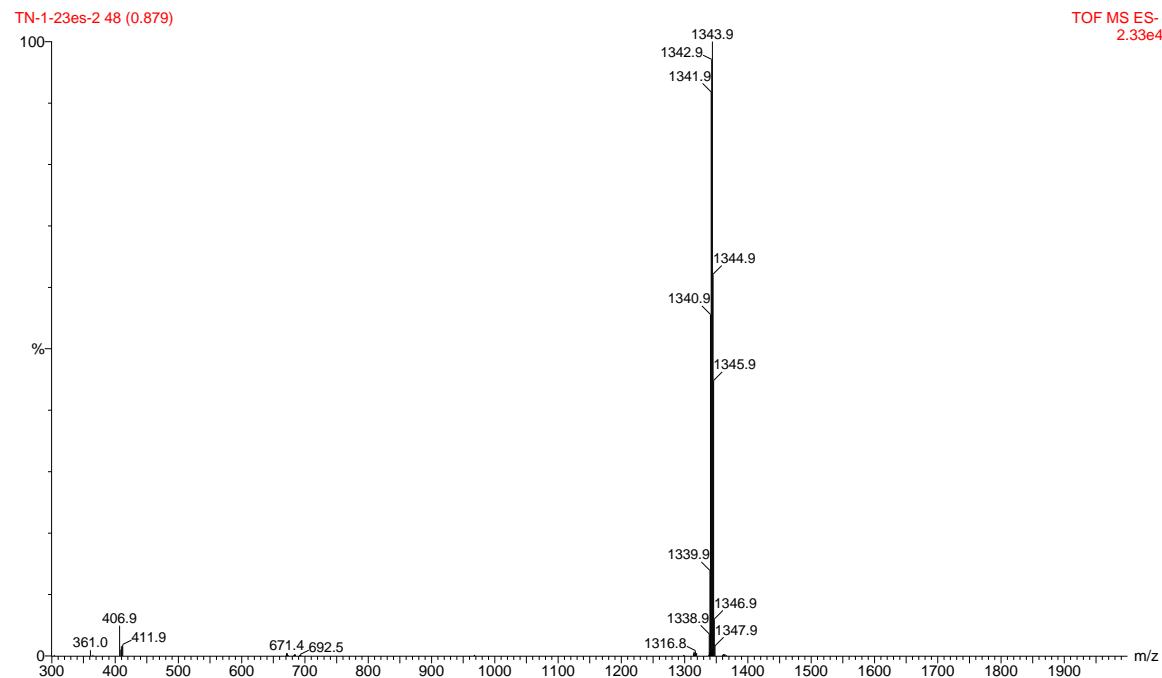
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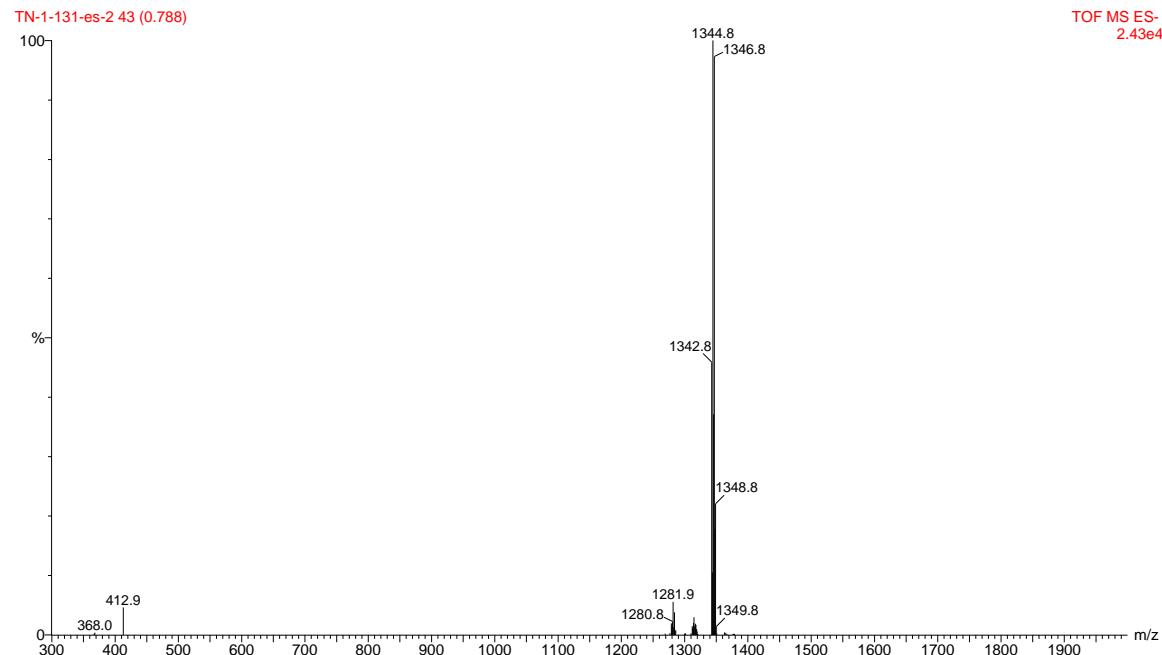
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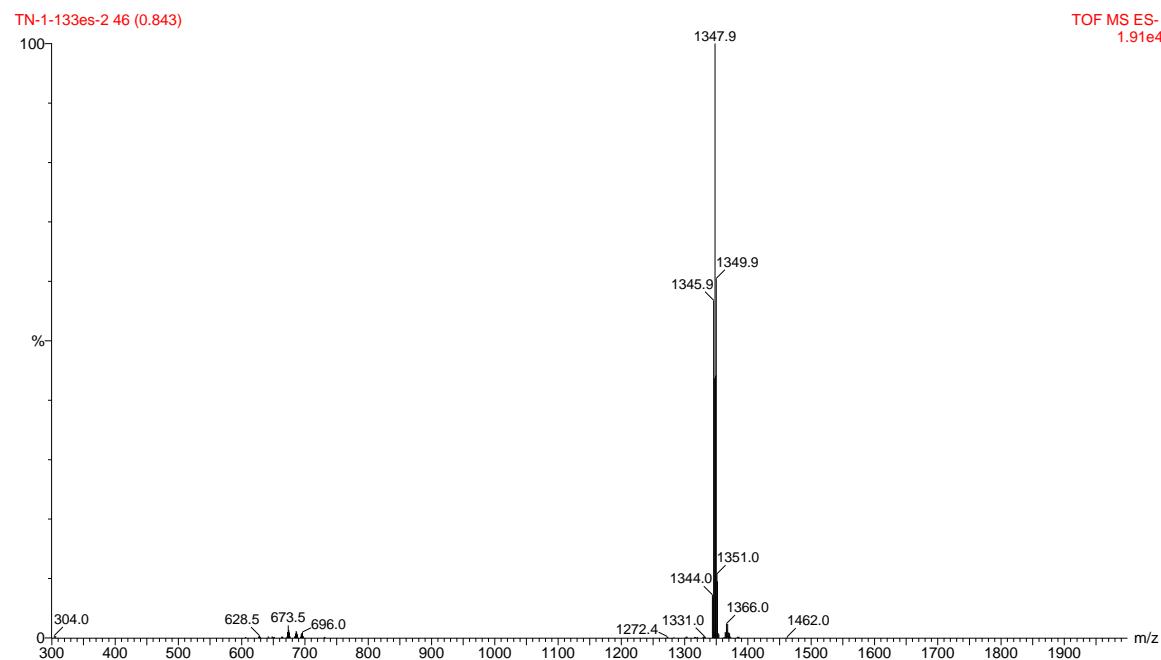
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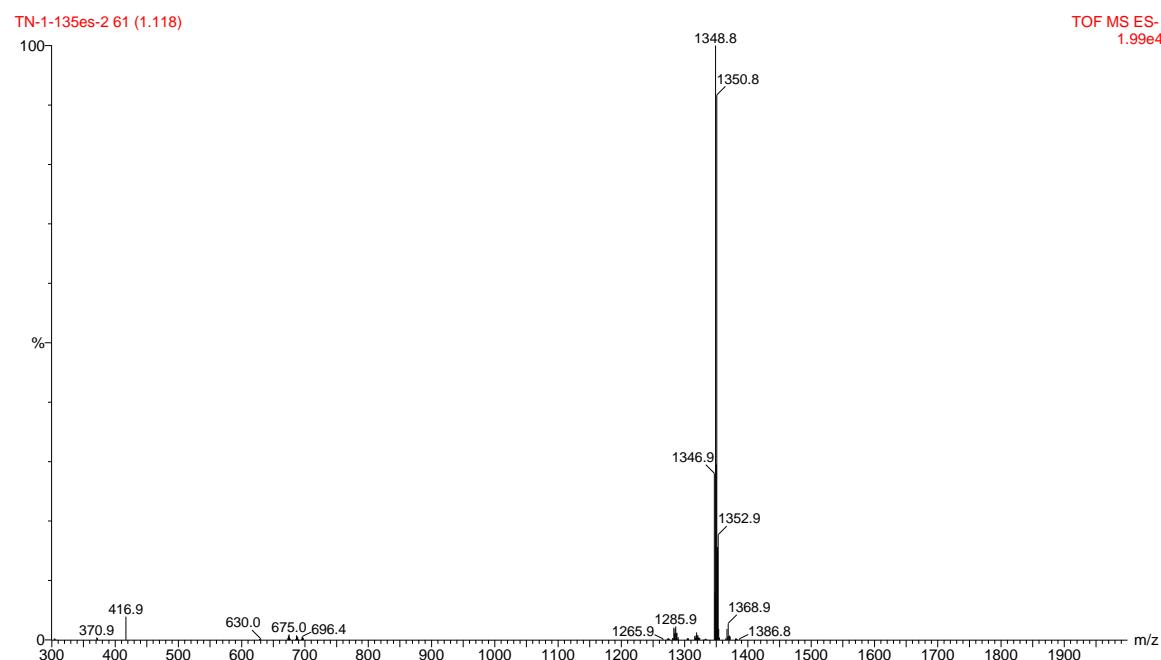
Ho-1



Er-1



Tm-1



Yb-1

