

Near-infrared luminescence and magnetic properties of dinuclear rare earth complexes modulated by β -diketone Co-ligand

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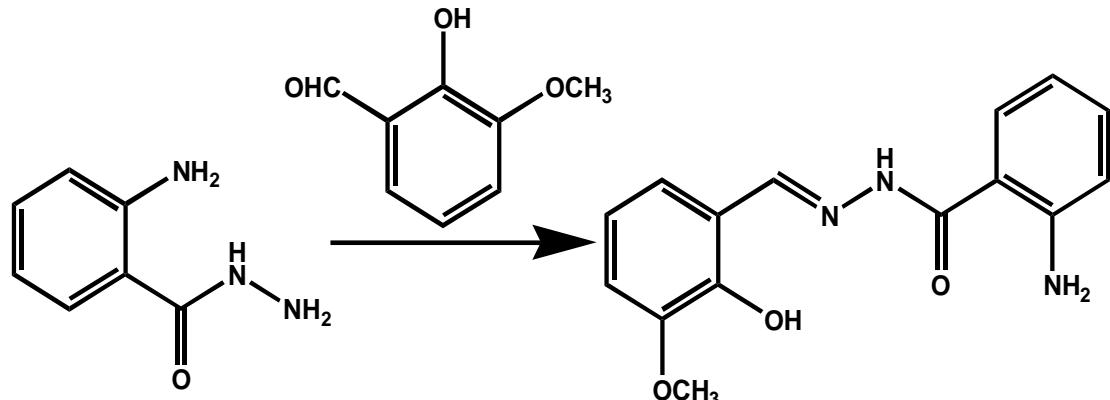
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Section S1 Supplementary Experimental Section

Scheme S1 The synthesis of 3-methoxysalicylaldehyde-2-aminobenzoylhydrazone (H_2L).



To a solution of 2-hydroxy-3-methoxybenzaldehyde (10 mmol) in methanol was added a solution of 2-aminobenzhydrazide (10 mmol) in methanol (Scheme S1). The reaction mixture is stirred four hours at room temperature, a crude product was obtained, which was washed with methanol and dried in vacuo to give the H_2L ligand as a milky solid. The milky precipitate was heated to reflux in methanol and recrystallized to give a pale crystalline solid. Yield: *ca.* 85%. Elemental analysis (%), calcd for $C_{15}H_{15}N_3O_3$ (fw = 285.29): C, 63.15; H, 5.30; N, 14.73. Found: C, 63.27; H, 5.22; N, 14.85. 1H NMR (d_6 -DMSO, δ /ppm): 3.82(3H, C–H), 6.48(2H, N–H), 6.59, 6.79, 6.86, 7.02, 7.09, 7.22, 7.59(7H, C–H), 8.58(1H, C–H), 11.24(1H, O–H), 11.85 (1H, N–H). (The 1H NMR spectrum of H_2L is shown in Fig. S1)

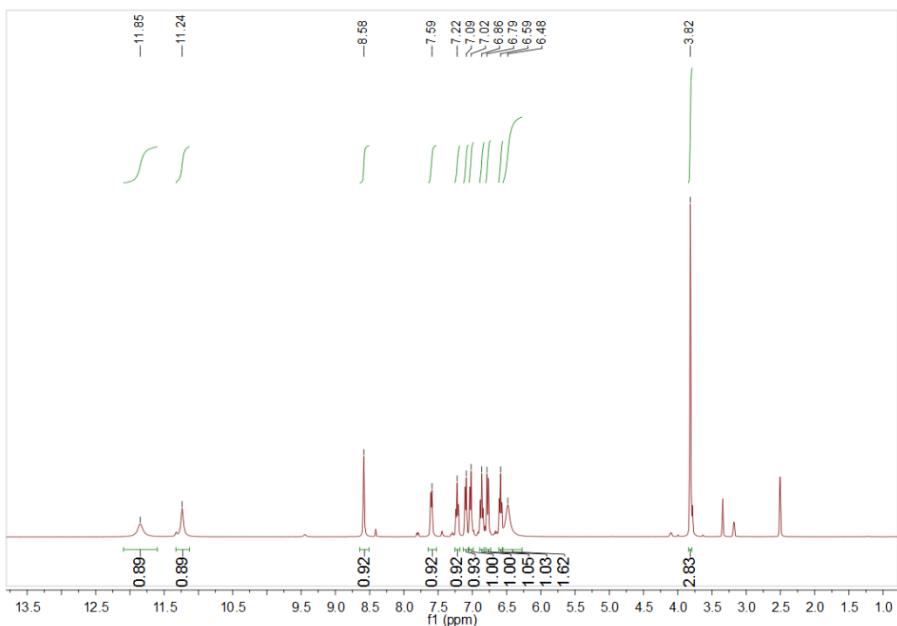


Fig. S1 1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, d_6 -DMSO) of H_2L .

Section S2 Powder X-ray Diffraction, UV-Vis spectra, Thermogravimetric Analysis and Near-infrared luminescence spectra

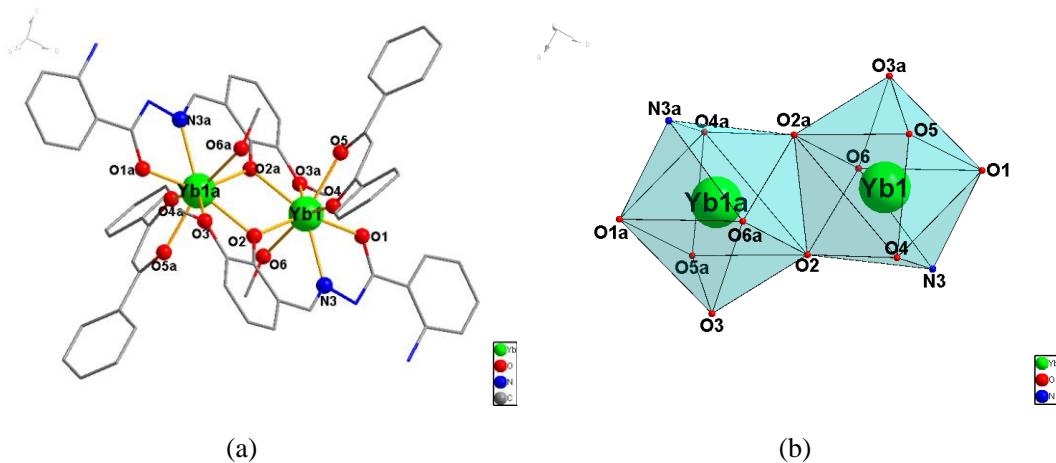


Fig. S2 (a) Molecular structure of **6** (all hydrogen atoms and solvent molecules have been omitted for clarity); (b) Coordination polyhedrons for the Yb^{3+} ions in complex **6**.

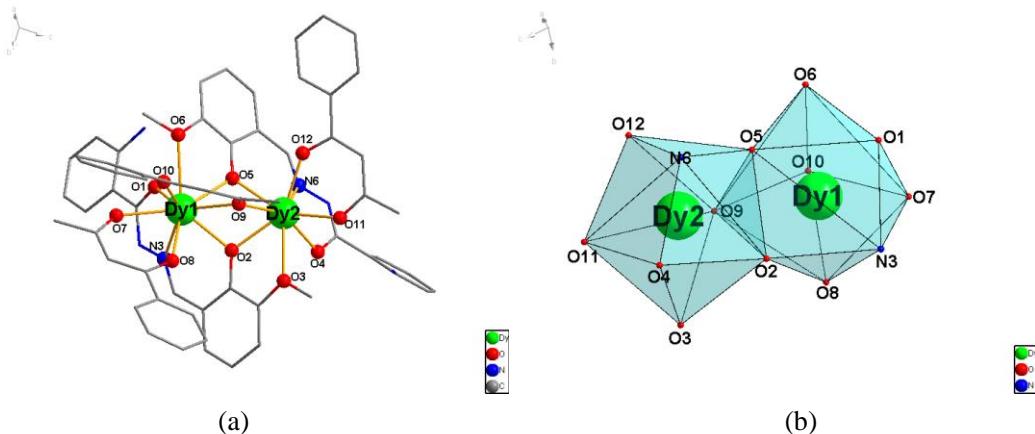
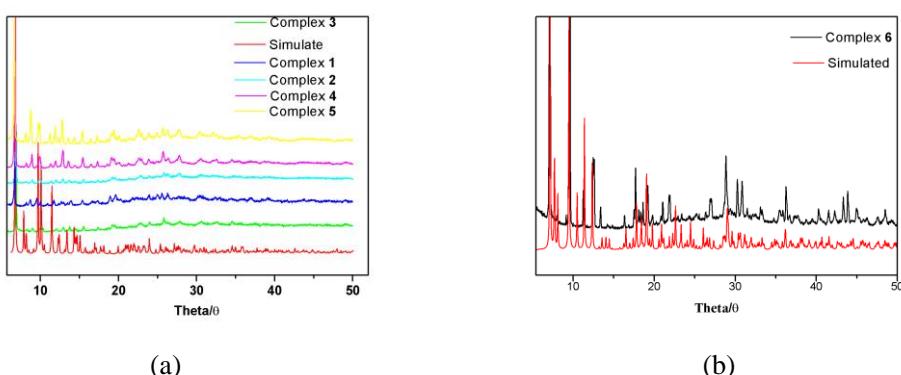
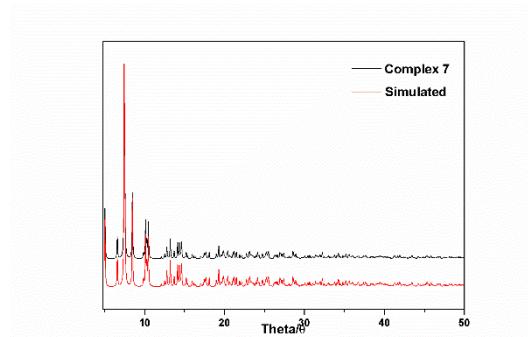


Fig. S3 (a) Molecular structure of **7** (all hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity); (b) Coordination polyhedrons for the Dy^{3+} ions in complex **7**.

Powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD)

The purity of crystalline powders of complexes **1–7** was confirmed by powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD), which is shown in Fig. S4 in the ESI.[†] The experimental patterns of **1–7** are in accord with the corresponding simulated patterns derived from the single crystal data, indicating the presence of mainly one crystalline phase.



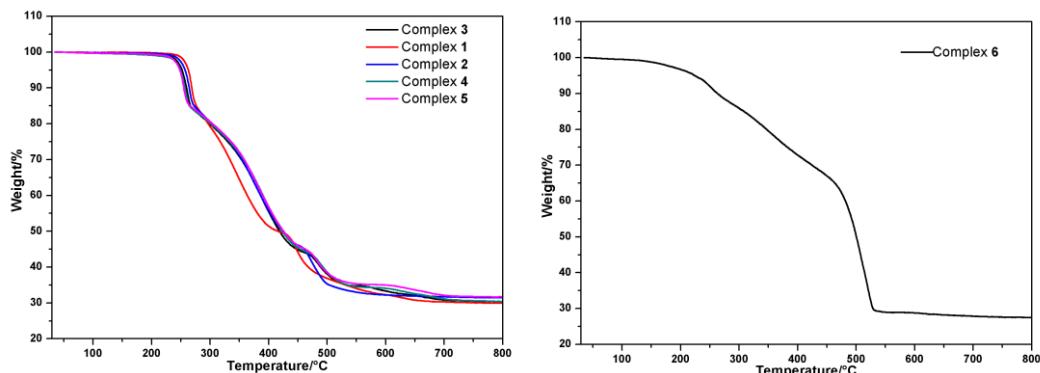


(c)

Fig. S4 PXRD patterns of complexes **1–5** (a), **6** (b), **7** (c).

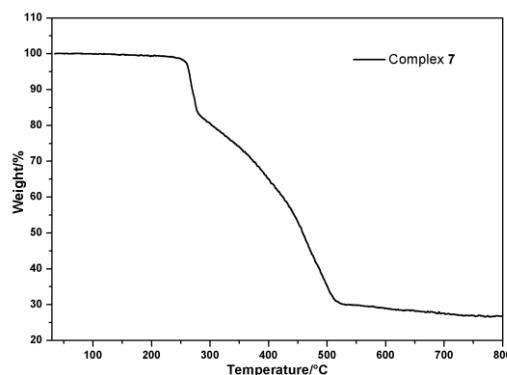
Thermogravimetric Analysis

To confirm the thermal stability of complexes **1–7**, TGA was performed on crystalline samples under an air atmosphere with a heating rate of $10\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}/\text{min}^{-1}$ in the temperature range of $30\text{--}800\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. (Fig. S5, ESI[†]) Different from complex **6**, complexes **1–5** and **7** displayed a more stable thermogravimetric curve below $220\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. The difference between **1–7** is mainly due to the discrepancies in the type and number of free solvent molecules and coordinated solvent molecules.



(a)

(b)



(c)

Fig. S5 TGA curves of complexes **1–5** (a), **6** (b), **7** (c).

UV-Vis spectra

The UV-Vis absorption spectra of $\text{Dy(acac)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{Dy(dbm)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, the ligand H_2L and the complexes **1–7** in dichloromethane solutions ($c = 1 * 10^{-5}\text{ mol/L}$) were measured in the range of $200\text{--}600\text{ nm}$ at room temperature (Fig. S6, ESI[†]).

As shown in Fig. S6(a), for $\text{Dy(acac)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, there appears a very intense absorption band centered at ca. 287 nm and a slight shoulder peak around ca. 224 nm, which arise from the $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition of carbonyl from acac^- . The ligand H_2L shows three very intense absorption bands centered at ca. 233, 302 and 350 nm, which are due to the $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transition of aromatic rings and the $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ and $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions of conjugated carbonyl. Five complexes exhibit three analogous series of absorption bands centered at ca. 236, 292 and 378 nm. Compared to the characteristic absorption peak of ligand, for complexes, the absorption peaks of low energy bands display a red shift, which may be assigned to the coordination effect between H_2L and the Ln^{3+} .

As shown in Fig. S6(b), the $\text{Dy(dbm)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ has two absorption bands centered at ca. 254 and 345 nm, which are ascribed to the $n \rightarrow \pi^*$ and $\pi \rightarrow \pi^*$ transitions of dbm^- . The complex **6** shows two very intense absorption bands centered at ca. 239 and 355 nm and a slight shoulder peak around ca. 319 nm, respectively. In addition, it's worth noting that the band at 302 nm disappeared, which may due to the interaction between the ligand and RE^{III} ions.

In $\text{Dy(beac)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, two absorption bands are displayed centered at ca. 247 and 325 nm, respectively(Fig. S6(c), ESI†). For **7**, three absorption bands at ca. 242 and 309 nm and one slight shoulder peak at ca. 381 nm can be observed, which display a red shift relative to that of the free H_2L . This phenomenon may be assigned to the coordination effect between H_2L and the Dy^{3+} ions.

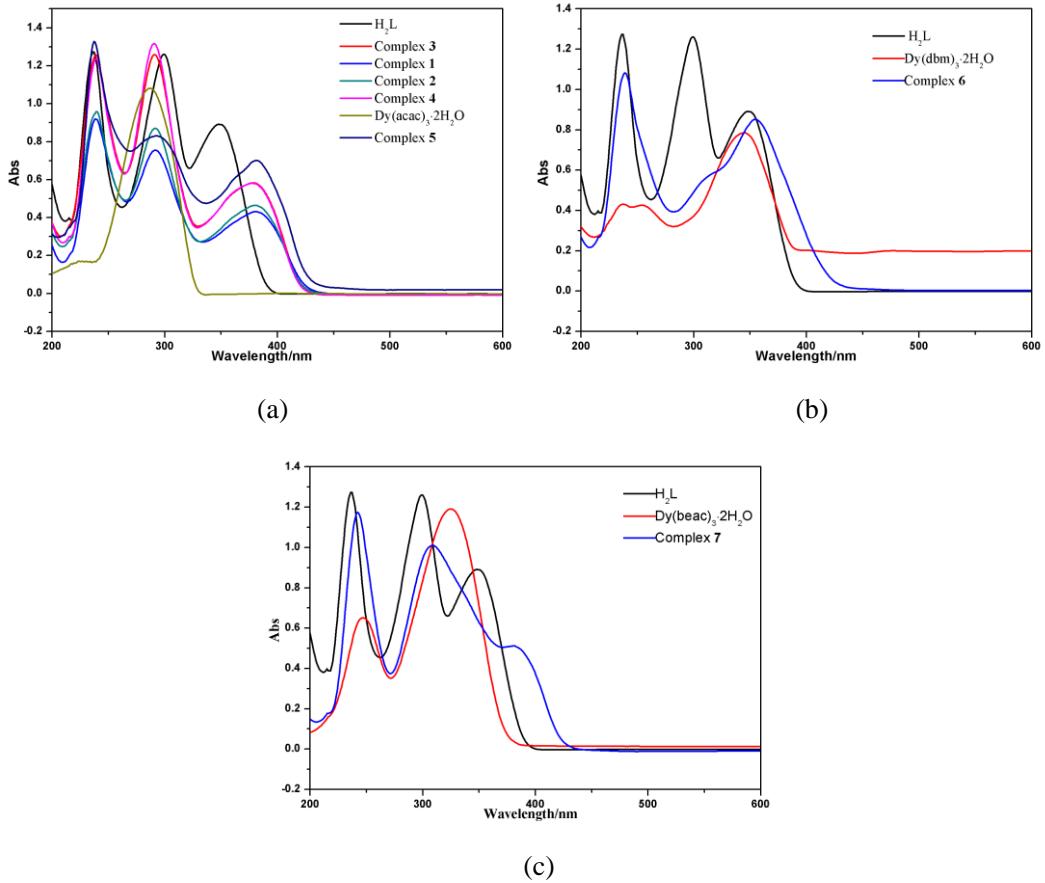


Fig. S6 The UV-vis absorption spectra of $\text{Dy(acac)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{Dy(dbm)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, $\text{Dy(beac)}_3 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, the ligand H_2L and complexes **1**–**7**.

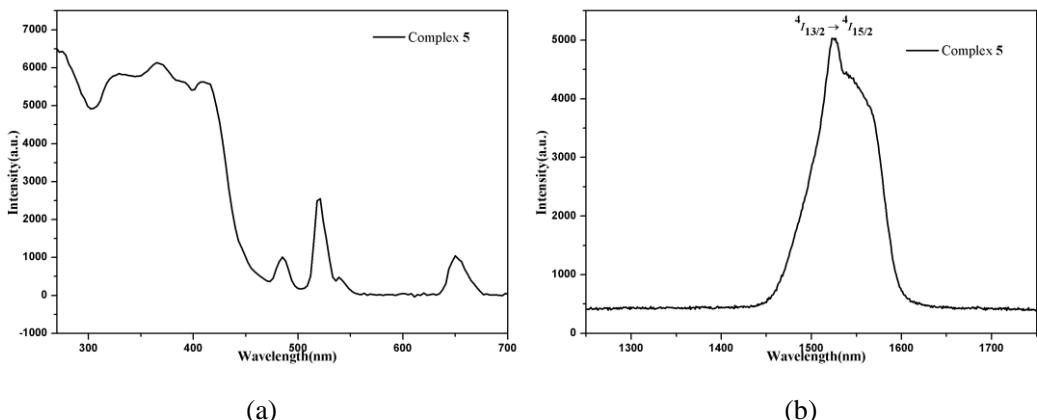


Fig. S7 (a) Excitation spectrum ($\lambda_{\text{em}} = 1523$ nm) and (b) emission spectrum of complex **5** ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 365$ nm) in the solid state.

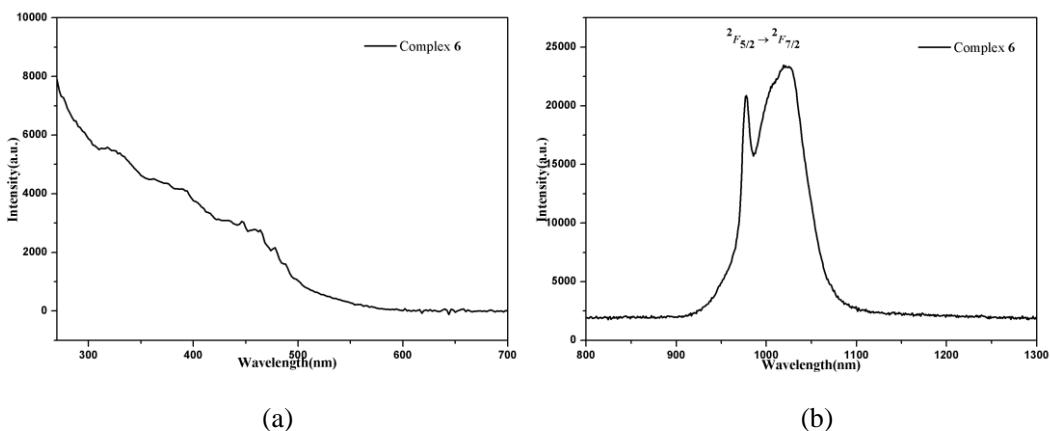


Fig. S8 (a) Excitation spectrum ($\lambda_{\text{em}} = 975$ nm) and (b) emission spectrum of complex **6** ($\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 318$ nm) in the solid state.

Section S3 Plots of Magnetic Data

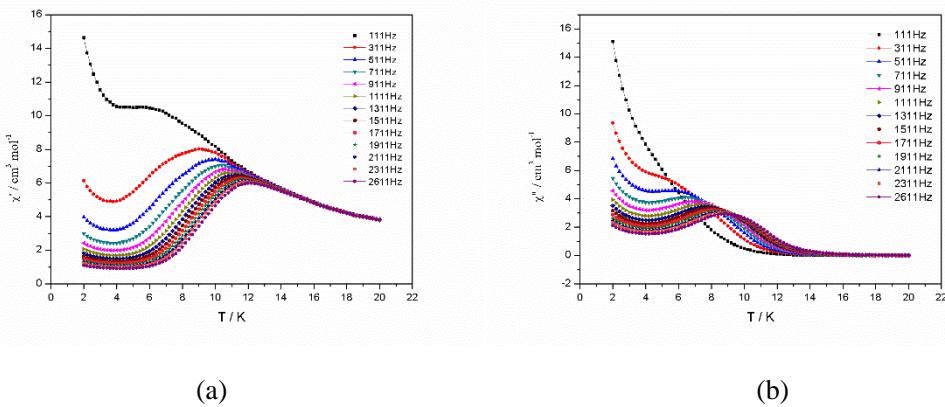


Fig. S9 Plots of the temperature-dependent in-phase (a) and out-of-phase (b) *ac* susceptibility of **3**, in a zero static field and an oscillating field of 3 Oe.

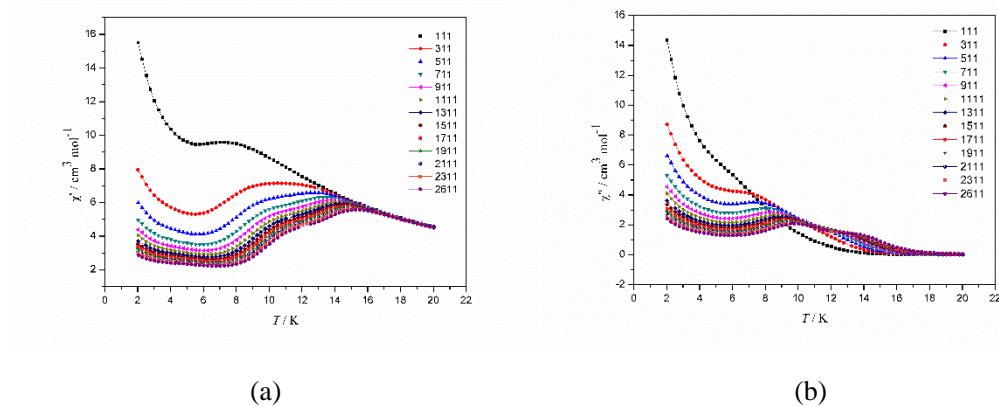


Fig. S10 Plots of the temperature-dependent in-phase (a) and out-of-phase (b) *ac* susceptibility of **7**, in a zero static field and an oscillating field of 3 Oe.

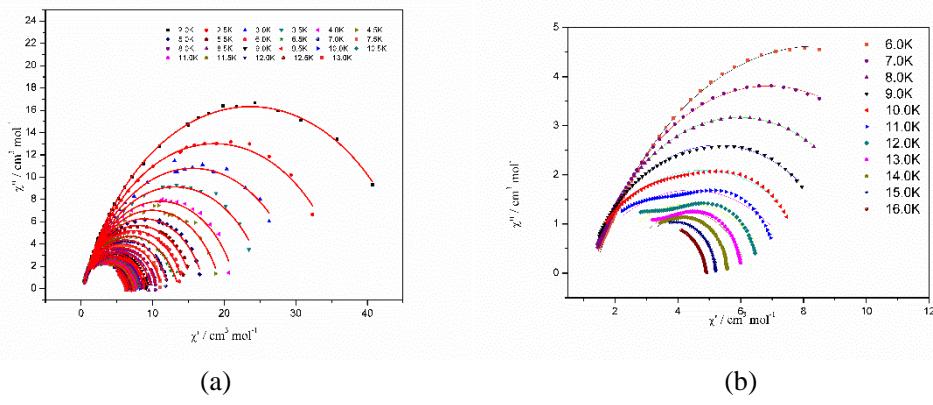


Fig. S11 The Cole–Cole diagram of complexes **3** (a) and **7** (b) with solid lines as Debye fits.

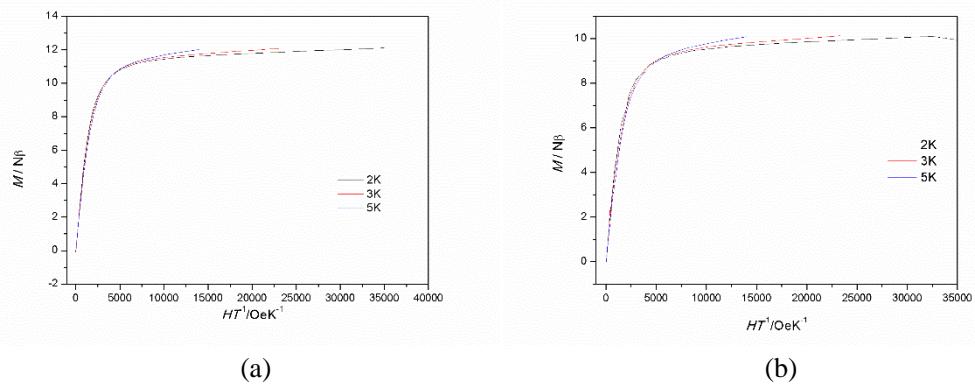


Fig. S12 Plots of M vs H/T for **3** (a) and **7** (b) in the field range 0–50 kOe.

Section S4 Crystallographic Data and Continuous Shape Measures Values

Table S1 Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes **1–4**

| Complex | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Formula | C ₅₁ H ₆₆ N ₆ O ₁₅ Eu ₂ | C ₅₁ H ₆₆ N ₆ O ₁₅ Tb ₂ | C ₅₁ H ₆₆ N ₆ O ₁₅ Dy ₂ | C ₅₁ H ₆₆ N ₆ O ₁₅ Ho ₂ |
| M _r (g.mol ⁻¹) | 1307.01 | 1320.93 | 1328.09 | 1332.95 |
| Temperature(K) | 113(2) | 113(2) | 113(2) | 113(2) |
| Wavelength(Å) | 0.71073 | 0.71073 | 0.71073 | 0.71073 |
| Crystal system | Triclinic | Triclinic | Triclinic | Triclinic |
| Space group | P \bar{t} | P \bar{t} | P \bar{t} | P \bar{t} |
| a(Å) | 13.616(3) | 13.596(3) | 13.630(3) | 13.588(3) |
| b(Å) | 13.689(3) | 13.654(3) | 13.650(3) | 13.622(3) |
| c(Å) | 17.258(4) | 17.217(3) | 17.230(3) | 17.212(3) |
| α (deg) | 77.36(3) | 77.06(3) | 76.90(3) | 76.83(3) |
| β (deg) | 68.98(3) | 68.79(3) | 68.64(3) | 68.94(3) |
| γ (deg) | 77.19(3) | 77.60(3) | 77.65(3) | 77.97(3) |
| Volume(Å ³) | 2893.2(12) | 2872.3(12) | 2877.2(12) | 2866.7(12) |
| Z | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Calculated density(Mg m ⁻³) | 1.5 | 1.527 | 1.533 | 1.544 |
| Abs coeff(mm ⁻¹) | 2.214 | 2.509 | 2.644 | 2.807 |
| F(000) | 1320 | 1328 | 1332 | 1336 |
| Crystal size(mm ³) | 0.200x0.180x0.120 | 0.200x0.180x0.120 | 0.200x0.180x0.120 | 0.200x0.180x0.120 |
| θ range(°) | 1.622 to 25.019 | 1.547 to 25.020 | 1.286 to 25.020 | 1.622 to 27.873 |
| Limiting indices | -16<=h<=16 -16<=k<=16 -20<=l<=20 | -16<=h<=15 -16<=k<=16 -20<=l<=20 | -16<=h<=16 -16<=k<=16 -20<=l<=20 | -17<=h<=17 -17<=k<=17 -22<=l<=22 |
| Reflections collected | 27614 | 27560 | 26875 | 34518 |
| Independent reflection | 10206 | 10124 | 10129 | 13584 |
| Rint | 0.0351 | 0.0446 | 0.0609 | 0.0394 |
| Completeness | 99.90% | 99.90% | 99.70% | 99.80% |
| Max.and min. transmission | 1 and 0.8235 | 1 and 0.6803 | 1 and 0.8263 | 1 and 0.8152 |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 10206 / 37 / 684 | 10124 / 37 / 684 | 10129 / 37 / 684 | 13584 / 37 / 684 |
| GoF on F ² | 1.066 | 1.089 | 1.071 | 1.059 |
| Final R indices[<i>I</i> >2σ(<i>I</i>)] | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0312, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0789 | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0352, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0877 | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0614, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.1560 | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0366, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0838 |
| <i>R</i> indices (all data) | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0364, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0828 | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0413, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0924 | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0796, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.1773 | <i>R</i> ₁ = 0.0451, w <i>R</i> ₂ = 0.0889 |
| Largest diff.peak and hole(eÅ ⁻³) | 1.143 and -1.040 | 1.536 and -1.335 | 2.177 and -1.784 | 1.741 and -1.776 |

^a*R*₁ = $\sum(|F_{\text{d}} - |F_{\text{c}}||) / \sum |F_{\text{c}}|$. ^bw*R*₂ = [$\sum w(|F_{\text{o}}|^2 - |F_{\text{c}}|^2)^2 / \sum w(F_{\text{o}}^2)^2$]^{1/2}

Table S2 Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes **5–7**

| Complex | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|---|--|--|--|
| Formula | C ₅₁ H ₆₆ N ₆ O ₁₅ Er ₂ | C ₆₄ H ₆₄ N ₆ O ₁₄ Yb ₂ | C ₆₀ H ₅₄ N ₆ O ₁₂ Dy ₂ |
| M _r (g·mol ⁻¹) | 1337.61 | 1487.29 | 1376.09 |
| Temperature(K) | 113(2) | 113(2) | 113(2) |
| Wavelength(Å) | 0.71073 | 0.71073 | 0.71073 |
| Crystal system | Triclinic | Monoclinic | Monoclinic |
| Space group | P $\overline{1}$ | P2 ₁ /c | P2 ₁ /c |
| a(Å) | 13.615(3) | 12.443(3) | 18.959(4) |
| b(Å) | 13.616(3) | 23.026(5) | 20.834(4) |
| c(Å) | 17.183(3) | 10.237(2) | 15.622(3) |
| α (deg) | 76.68(3) | 90 | 90 |
| β (deg) | 68.59(3) | 95.31(3) | 113.06(3) |
| γ (deg) | 78.05(3) | 90 | 90 |
| Volume(Å ³) | 2859.3(12) | 2920.5(10) | 5677(2) |
| Z | 2 | 2 | 4 |
| Calculated density(Mg m ⁻³) | 1.554 | 1.691 | 1.61 |
| Abs coeff(mm ⁻¹) | 2.982 | 3.256 | 2.68 |
| F(000) | 1340 | 1484 | 2736 |
| Crystal size(mm ³) | 0.200x0.180x0.120 | 0.200x0.180x0.120 | 0.200x0.180x0.120 |
| θ range(°) | 1.292 to 25.020 | 1.867 to 25.017 | 1.523 to 25.018 |
| Limiting indices | $-16 \leq h \leq 16$ $-15 \leq k \leq 16$ $-20 \leq l \leq 20$ | $-14 \leq h \leq 14$ $-26 \leq k \leq 27$ $-12 \leq l \leq 12$ | $-22 \leq h \leq 22$ $-22 \leq k \leq 24$ $-18 \leq l \leq 18$ |
| Reflections collected | 27690 | 20541 | 44791 |
| Independent reflection | 10073 | 5120 | 10015 |
| R _{int} | 0.0418 | 0.0787 | 0.0663 |
| Completeness | 99.80% | 99.50% | 100.00% |
| Max.and min. transmission | 1 and 0.8611 | 1 and 0.4163 | 1 and 0.7962 |
| Data/restraints/parameters | 10073 / 37 / 684 | 5120 / 2 / 397 | 10015 / 72 / 726 |
| GoF on F ² | 0.96 | 1.034 | 1.06 |
| Final R indices[$I > 2\sigma(I)$] | $R_1 = 0.0298,$ $wR_2 = 0.0795$ | $R_1 = 0.0401,$ $wR_2 = 0.0977$ | $R_1 = 0.0558,$ $wR_2 = 0.1342$ |
| R indices (all data) | $R_1 = 0.0370,$ $wR_2 = 0.0945$ | $R_1 = 0.0492,$ $wR_2 = 0.1039$ | $R_1 = 0.0697,$ $wR_2 = 0.1449$ |
| Largest diff.peak and hole(eÅ ⁻³) | 1.351 and -1.180 | 1.805 and -1.627 | 1.593 and -1.784 |

^a $R_1 = \sum(|F_{o\bar{l}}| - |F_{c\bar{l}}|) / \sum |F_{o\bar{l}}|$. ^b $wR_2 = [\sum w(|F_{o\bar{l}}|^2 - |F_{c\bar{l}}|^2)^2 / \sum w(F_{o\bar{l}}^2)^2]^{1/2}$

Table S3 The important bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **1–7**

| Complexes | The range of Ln–O bond lengths / Å | The distance of Ln···Ln / Å | The range of Ln–O–Ln bond angles / ° |
|-----------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 1 | 2.345(2)-2.538(2) | 3.6506(11) | 93.73(8)-101.14(8) |
| 2 | 2.323(3)-2.527(3) | 3.6128(11) | 93.72(9)-101.44(10) |
| 3 | 2.304(5)-2.531(6) | 3.5984(12) | 93.6(2)-101.6(2) |
| 4 | 2.296(2)-2.502(3) | 3.5896(11) | 93.48(9)-101.78(9) |
| 5 | 2.284(3)-2.510(3) | 3.5681(11) | 93.38(10)-101.63(11) |
| 6 | 2.204(4)-2.505(4) | 3.6889(7) | 107.18(13) |
| 7 | 2.278(5)-2.646(5) | 3.6109(9) | 92.85(18)-102.50(18) |

Table S4 The continuous symmetry measurement value calculated by SHAPE 2.0 for complexes

| Complex | Ln ³⁺ | D _{4d} SAPR | D _{2d} TDD | C _{2v} JBTPR | C _{2v} BTPR |
|----------|------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | Eu1 | 3.721 | 2.49 | 3.995 | 3.422 |
| 2 | Tb1 | 3.425 | 2.315 | 3.743 | 3.411 |
| 3 | Dy2 | 3.337 | 2.28 | 3.657 | 3.43 |
| 4 | Ho1 | 3.158 | 2.307 | 3.634 | 3.45 |
| 5 | Er1 | 3.064 | 2.216 | 3.448 | 3.284 |
| 6 | Yb | 2.375 | 0.831 | 1.859 | 1.634 |
| 7 | Dy2 | 3.963 | 2.135 | 3.412 | 2.992 |

| Complex | Ln ³⁺ | C _{4v} JCSAPR | C _{4v} CSAPR | D _{3h} TCTPR | C _s MFF |
|----------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Eu2 | 3.103 | 1.693 | 2.612 | 1.036 |
| 2 | Tb2 | 3.029 | 1.591 | 2.494 | 0.966 |
| 3 | Dy1 | 3.041 | 1.597 | 2.466 | 0.967 |
| 4 | Ho2 | 2.915 | 1.504 | 2.396 | 0.895 |
| 5 | Er2 | 2.941 | 1.502 | 2.363 | 0.909 |
| 7 | Dy1 | 3.221 | 1.653 | 2.345 | 0.961 |

Table S5 The selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for **3**

| | | | |
|-------------------|------------|-----------------|----------|
| Dy(1)-O(12) | 2.286(6) | Dy(2)-O(8) | 2.281(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(11) | 2.295(6) | Dy(2)-O(7) | 2.300(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(2) | 2.304(5) | Dy(2)-O(2) | 2.339(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(1) | 2.316(5) | Dy(2)-O(9) | 2.352(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(5) | 2.320(5) | Dy(2)-O(5) | 2.390(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(10) | 2.403(6) | Dy(2)-O(4) | 2.440(6) |
| Dy(1)-N(3) | 2.492(7) | Dy(2)-O(10) | 2.531(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(6) | 2.591(6) | Dy(2)-O(3) | 2.575(6) |
| Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 3.5984(12) | Dy(2)-N(6) | 2.576(7) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-O(11) | 73.0(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(7) | 75.4(2) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-O(2) | 74.9(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(2) | 140.9(2) |
| O(11)-Dy(1)-O(2) | 147.9(2) | O(7)-Dy(2)-O(2) | 143.6(2) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 126.2(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 79.2(2) |

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|-------------------|------------|------------------|------------|
| O(11)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 80.1(2) | O(7)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 72.1(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 119.9(2) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 110.9(2) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-O(5) | 139.7(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 78.4(2) |
| O(11)-Dy(1)-O(5) | 140.6(2) | O(7)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 138.0(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(5) | 69.2(2) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 67.47(18) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-O(5) | 88.23(19) | O(9)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 133.5(2) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 83.4(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 130.1(2) |
| O(11)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 103.8(2) | O(7)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 70.5(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 72.5(2) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 78.38(19) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 149.0(2) | O(9)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 121.2(2) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 69.04(19) | O(5)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 104.31(18) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 76.9(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(10) | 79.6(2) |
| O(11)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 102.3(2) | O(7)-Dy(2)-O(10) | 137.9(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 69.9(2) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(10) | 69.59(19) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 64.4(2) | O(9)-Dy(2)-O(10) | 70.4(2) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 106.3(2) | O(5)-Dy(2)-O(10) | 65.85(18) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 140.9(2) | O(4)-Dy(2)-O(10) | 147.87(19) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 140.6(2) | O(8)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 145.4(2) |
| O(11)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 76.3(2) | O(7)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 86.1(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 132.02(19) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 64.03(19) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 70.60(19) | O(9)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 67.3(2) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 64.31(18) | O(5)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 131.50(19) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 80.4(2) | O(4)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 66.6(2) |
| N(3)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 134.4(2) | O(10)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 96.2(2) |
| O(12)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 98.98(17) | O(8)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 76.0(2) |
| O(11)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 148.42(17) | O(7)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 76.6(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 39.54(15) | O(2)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 104.9(2) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 125.62(14) | O(9)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 143.9(2) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 40.90(14) | O(5)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 65.5(2) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 44.59(14) | O(4)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 61.6(2) |
| N(3)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 105.54(16) | O(10)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 128.7(2) |
| O(6)-Dy(1)-Dy(2) | 94.26(13) | O(3)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 128.2(2) |
| Dy(1)-O(2)-Dy(2) | 101.6(2) | Dy(1)-O(5)-Dy(2) | 99.64(19) |
| Dy(1)-O(10)-Dy(2) | 93.6(2) | | |

Table S6 The selected bond lengths (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) for **6**

| | | | |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|------------|
| Yb(1)-O(1) | 2.204(4) | Yb(1)-O(4) | 2.248(4) |
| Yb(1)-O(5) | 2.258(4) | Yb(1)-O(2) | 2.273(3) |
| Yb(1)-O(2)#1 | 2.310(4) | Yb(1)-O(6) | 2.415(4) |
| Yb(1)-N(3) | 2.418(4) | Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 2.505(4) |
| Yb(1)-Yb(1)#1 | 3.6889(7) | | |
| O(1)-Yb(1)-O(4) | 99.06(16) | O(1)-Yb(1)-O(5) | 82.32(13) |
| O(4)-Yb(1)-O(5) | 74.33(13) | O(1)-Yb(1)-O(2) | 142.04(13) |
| O(4)-Yb(1)-O(2) | 76.55(13) | O(5)-Yb(1)-O(2) | 130.21(14) |

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|-------------------|------------|---------------------|------------|
| O(1)-Yb(1)-O(2)#1 | 140.44(13) | O(4)-Yb(1)-O(2)#1 | 109.95(14) |
| O(5)-Yb(1)-O(2)#1 | 80.39(12) | O(2)-Yb(1)-O(2)#1 | 72.82(13) |
| O(1)-Yb(1)-O(6) | 89.60(14) | O(4)-Yb(1)-O(6) | 146.59(13) |
| O(5)-Yb(1)-O(6) | 139.03(14) | O(2)-Yb(1)-O(6) | 76.93(13) |
| O(2)#1-Yb(1)-O(6) | 80.86(14) | O(1)-Yb(1)-N(3) | 66.22(14) |
| O(4)-Yb(1)-N(3) | 79.64(15) | O(5)-Yb(1)-N(3) | 135.02(13) |
| O(2)-Yb(1)-N(3) | 75.97(14) | O(2)#1-Yb(1)-N(3) | 143.76(13) |
| O(6)-Yb(1)-N(3) | 74.50(15) | O(1)-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 75.41(14) |
| O(4)-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 145.88(12) | O(5)-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 71.57(12) |
| O(2)-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 128.13(13) | O(2)#1-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 65.43(12) |
| O(6)-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 67.53(13) | N(3)-Yb(1)-O(3)#1 | 125.27(14) |

Table S7 The selected bond lengths (\AA) and angles ($^\circ$) for **7**

| | | | |
|------------------|------------|-------------------|------------|
| Dy(1)-O(8) | 2.278(5) | Dy(2)-O(2) | 2.287(5) |
| Dy(1)-O(7) | 2.326(5) | Dy(2)-O(12) | 2.291(5) |
| Dy(1)-O(2) | 2.365(5) | Dy(2)-O(4) | 2.308(5) |
| Dy(1)-O(9) | 2.580(6) | Dy(2)-O(11) | 2.309(5) |
| Dy(1)-O(6) | 2.646(5) | Dy(2)-O(5) | 2.312(5) |
| Dy(1)-O(5) | 2.318(5) | Dy(2)-O(9) | 2.401(5) |
| Dy(1)-O(10) | 2.334(6) | Dy(2)-N(6) | 2.488(6) |
| Dy(1)-O(1) | 2.393(5) | Dy(2)-O(3) | 2.619(5) |
| Dy(1)-N(3) | 2.618(6) | | |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(5) | 137.12(17) | O(9)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 89.16(18) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(7) | 148.51(18) | N(3)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 128.44(17) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(7) | 74.27(19) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(12) | 144.06(19) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 77.7(2) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 88.53(17) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 111.5(2) | O(12)-Dy(2)-O(4) | 122.21(19) |
| O(7)-Dy(1)-O(10) | 72.1(2) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(11) | 137.5(2) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(2) | 76.61(16) | O(12)-Dy(2)-O(11) | 72.3(2) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(2) | 66.66(16) | O(4)-Dy(2)-O(11) | 78.7(2) |
| O(7)-Dy(1)-O(2) | 135.28(19) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 68.03(17) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-O(2) | 132.5(2) | O(12)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 79.18(19) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 135.29(18) | O(4)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 121.66(18) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 78.17(17) | O(11)-Dy(2)-O(5) | 151.2(2) |
| O(7)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 73.72(18) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 71.59(18) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 119.9(2) | O(12)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 84.0(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(1) | 106.46(17) | O(4)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 151.72(18) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(9) | 79.37(18) | O(11)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 102.2(2) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(9) | 66.76(17) | O(5)-Dy(2)-O(9) | 69.99(19) |
| O(7)-Dy(1)-O(9) | 136.79(18) | O(2)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 104.01(19) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-O(9) | 69.2(2) | O(12)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 77.1(2) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(9) | 67.23(17) | O(4)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 64.83(18) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-O(9) | 144.05(17) | O(11)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 106.6(2) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 81.43(18) | O(5)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 70.30(18) |

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| O(5)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 101.79(17) | O(9)-Dy(2)-N(6) | 138.4(2) |
| O(7)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 77.00(19) | O(2)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 63.26(16) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 146.3(2) | O(12)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 138.79(18) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 65.65(17) | O(4)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 72.77(16) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 61.53(17) | O(11)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 74.2(2) |
| O(9)-Dy(1)-N(3) | 131.98(17) | O(5)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 128.71(16) |
| O(8)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 144.73(17) | O(9)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 80.24(18) |
| O(5)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 62.66(16) | N(6)-Dy(2)-O(3) | 136.17(18) |
| O(7)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 93.03(18) | Dy(2)-O(5)-Dy(1) | 102.50(18) |
| O(10)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 67.10(19) | Dy(2)-O(9)-Dy(1) | 92.85(18) |
| O(2)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 129.16(16) | Dy(2)-O(2)-Dy(1) | 101.82(19) |
| O(1)-Dy(1)-O(6) | 67.09(17) | | |

Table S8 Relaxation fitting parameters for Cole–Cole plots of **3** at varying temperatures under zero applied *dc*-field using the Debye model of a single relaxation process.

| T/K | χ_s | χ_T | α |
|------|-----------|----------|----------|
| 2 | 0.324566 | 46.6595 | 0.21231 |
| 2.5 | 0.284723 | 37.231 | 0.21616 |
| 3 | 0.276126 | 30.8439 | 0.217435 |
| 3.5 | 0.313524 | 26.061 | 0.210281 |
| 4 | 0.317351 | 22.1125 | 0.202347 |
| 4.5 | 0.291704 | 19.8257 | 0.203137 |
| 5 | 0.255163 | 17.4893 | 0.200439 |
| 5.5 | 0.234004 | 15.6669 | 0.194274 |
| 6 | 0.18813 | 14.4749 | 0.199761 |
| 6.5 | 0.128593 | 13.4407 | 0.209132 |
| 7 | 0.119789 | 12.2373 | 0.203843 |
| 7.5 | 0.0829678 | 11.3554 | 0.210192 |
| 8 | 0.0395865 | 10.6392 | 0.223372 |
| 8.5 | 0.0352615 | 9.95583 | 0.235701 |
| 9 | 0.0727222 | 9.40711 | 0.249701 |
| 9.5 | 0.233394 | 8.88272 | 0.249989 |
| 10 | 0.450528 | 8.41784 | 0.24499 |
| 10.5 | 0.752454 | 7.95388 | 0.226193 |
| 11 | 0.986109 | 7.54929 | 0.214235 |
| 11.5 | 1.1975 | 7.18481 | 0.205233 |
| 12 | 1.23901 | 6.87066 | 0.21118 |
| 12.5 | 1.43463 | 6.55247 | 0.202614 |
| 13 | 1.20546 | 6.31102 | 0.237163 |

Table S9 Relaxation fitting parameters for Cole–Cole plots of **7** at varying temperatures under 1500 Oe applied *dc*-field using the Debye model of a single relaxation process

| T/K | χ_s | χ_T | α |
|-------|----------|----------|----------|
| 6 | 1.33003 | 15.4881 | 0.263164 |
| 7 | 1.27279 | 12.5089 | 0.240634 |
| 8 | 1.15549 | 10.7113 | 0.253124 |
| 9 | 0.982641 | 9.57579 | 0.305355 |
| 10 | 0.773179 | 8.79965 | 0.386028 |
| 11 | 0.788521 | 8.07616 | 0.445951 |
| 12 | 1.57009 | 7.09293 | 0.397179 |
| 13 | 2.31869 | 6.23814 | 0.275362 |
| 14 | 2.60084 | 5.65393 | 0.180343 |
| 15 | 2.67224 | 5.23521 | 0.130386 |
| 16 | 2.66929 | 4.90795 | 0.125521 |

Table S10 Standard error for the extracted magnetic parameters

| | Value for 3 in zero <i>dc</i> field | Standard error for 3 in zero <i>dc</i> field | Value for 7 in 1500 Oe <i>dc</i> field | Standard error for 7 in 1500 Oe <i>dc</i> field |
|---------------------|--|---|---|--|
| τ_0 | 1.29941×10^{-10} | 7.75495×10^{-11} | 2.6663×10^{-7} | 1.66056×10^{-7} |
| U_{eff} | 140.38181 | 7.45835 | 75.19653 | 11.16601 |
| C | 0.69685 | 0.16516 | 3.54292 | 0.58483 |
| n | 4.19909 | 0.12633 | 2.87686 | 0.71363 |
| A | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| m | -10 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| τ_{QTM} | 0.00276 | 0 | 105 | 0 |