

Electronic Supplementary Information

for

**3d-4f magnetic exchange interactions and anisotropy in a series of heterobimetallic vanadium(IV)-lanthanide(III) Schiff base complexes**

Kamil Kotrle,<sup>a</sup> Ivan Nemeč,<sup>a</sup> Jan Moncol,<sup>b</sup> Erik Čižmár,<sup>c</sup> Radovan Herchel <sup>\*a</sup>

<sup>a</sup> *Department of Inorganic Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Palacký University, 17. listopadu 12, CZ-771 46 Olomouc, Czech Republic, E-mail: radovan.herchel@upol.cz, www.agch.upol.cz*

<sup>b</sup> *Department of Inorganic Chemistry, Faculty of Chemical and Food Technology, Slovak University of Technology in Bratislava, Bratislava SK-81237, Slovakia*

<sup>c</sup> *Institute of Physics, Faculty of Science, P.J. Šafárik University in Košice, Park Angelinum 9, SK-041 54 Košice, Slovakia*

**Table S1:** List of selected published complexes of Cu(II) – Ln(III)

| Structure                                      | J (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | $\tau_0$ (s <sup>-1</sup> ) | U <sub>eff</sub> (K) | Ref      |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| [Cu2Tb2L42(NO3)4]                              | > 0                   | 1.7·10 <sup>-10</sup>       | 32                   | 1        |
| [Cu2Dy2L42(NO3)4]                              | > 0                   |                             |                      | 1        |
| [CuGd(L5)(NO3)3]                               | 4.38/6.59             |                             |                      | 2        |
| [DyCuL(CH3COO)2(NO3)]                          | > 0                   |                             |                      | 3        |
| [CuGd(L6)Cl3(CH3OH)2]                          | 7.78                  |                             |                      | 4        |
| [CuGd(S,S-L7)(NO3)3(CH3OH)] <sub>n</sub>       | 12.57                 |                             |                      | 5        |
| [CuGd(R,R-L7)(NO3)3(CH3OH)] <sub>n</sub>       | 14.816                |                             |                      | 5        |
| [CuGd(L8)(CF3SO3)3(H2O)2]                      | 8.0(2)                |                             |                      | 6        |
| [CuGd(L7)(CF3SO3)2(H2O)2](CF3SO3)·H2O·CH3COCH3 | 8.6(2)                |                             |                      | 6        |
| [CuGd(L9)(NO3)2]2                              | 6.94                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L4)(NO3)2]2                              | 7.26                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L10)(NO3)2]2                             | 3.94                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L11)(NO3)2(H2O)]2                        | 2.80                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L12)(NO3)2(H2O)]2                        | 4.16                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L13)(NO3)2(H2O)]2                        | 5.89                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L13)(C7H6NO2)2]2                         | 2.56                  |                             |                      | 7        |
| [CuGd(L7)(NO3)3(H2O)]                          | 12.6                  |                             |                      | 8        |
| [CuGd(L14)(NO3)3]                              | 10.8                  |                             |                      | 8        |
| [CuGd(L15)(NO3)3]                              | 8.08                  |                             |                      | 9        |
| [CuGd(L16)(NO3)2.5(OH)0.5(H2O)]·0.5 H2O        | 3.3                   |                             |                      | 10       |
| [CuGd(L17)(NO3)3]                              | 1.3                   |                             |                      | 10       |
| [CuGd(L18)(CF3COO)3(CH3OH)2]                   | 4.42(1)               |                             |                      | 11       |
| [CuGd(L19)(NO3)3(CH3COCH3)]                    | 5.6                   |                             |                      | 12       |
| [CuGd(L3)(Cl)2(H2O)4]Cl·2H2O                   | 10.1                  |                             |                      | 13       |
| [CuGd(L3)(Cl)3(H2O)6]                          | 8.8(4)                |                             |                      | 13       |
| [CuGd(L2)(N3C2)3(H2O)]                         | 7.8(1)                |                             |                      | 13       |
| [CuGd(L2)(CF3COO)3(H2O)]                       | 6.3(1)                |                             |                      | 1313     |
| [CuGd(L20)(NO3)(H2O)3]                         | 11.4                  |                             |                      | 14       |
| [CuGd(L3)(NO3)3(CH3COCH3)]                     | 6.9                   |                             |                      | 15       |
| [CuTb(L3)(NO3)3(CH3COCH3)]                     | >3.3                  | 7.1(9)·10 <sup>-10</sup>    | 42.3(4)              | 15       |
| [CuDy(L3)(NO3)3(CH3COCH3)]                     | 1.63(1)               | 4(2)·10 <sup>-10</sup>      | 11.5(10)             | 15       |
| [CuHo(L3)(NO3)3(CH3COCH3)]                     | 1.09(2)               |                             |                      | 15Error! |
|  |                       |                             |                      | Bookmark |
|  |                       |                             |                      | not      |
|  |                       |                             |                      | defined. |
| [CuEr(L3)(NO3)3(CH3COCH3)]                     | 0.24(1)               |                             |                      | 15       |
| [CuGd(L3)(CH3)3(CH3COCH3)]                     | 5.2                   |                             |                      | 16       |
| [CuGd(L6)(CH3COO)(CF3COCH2COCF3)2]             | 5.2                   |                             |                      | 17       |
| [CuTb(L3)(MeOH)(NO3)2(sal)]                    | 4.2(2)                | 3.0(8)·10 <sup>-8</sup>     | 32.9(4)              | 18       |
| [CuDy(L3)(MeOH)(NO3)2(sal)]                    | 2.0(2)                | 1.02(11)·10 <sup>-5</sup>   | 26.0(5)              | 18       |
| [CuHo(L3)(MeOH)(NO3)2(sal)]                    | 1.3(1)                |                             |                      | 18       |
| [CuGd(L21)(NCS)3(H2O)(CH3COCH3)]               | 9.20                  |                             |                      | 19       |
| [CuGd(L22)(NCS)3(H2O)]·2(CH3COCH3)             | 5.5                   |                             |                      | 19       |
| [CuGd(L23)(NO3)2(H2O)3]NO3                     | 5.08                  |                             |                      | 20       |
| [CuTb(L23)(NO3) <sub>3</sub> (MeOH)]           |                       | 2.1·10 <sup>-8</sup>        | 24.6                 | 20       |

Hsal = salicylaldehyde, for L1 – L23 see Figure S1

**Table S2** Crystallographic data for the reported compounds **1-4**.

|  | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>   | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b>   |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| Formula  | C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>22</sub> GdN <sub>5</sub> O <sub>15</sub> V | C <sub>19</sub> H <sub>22</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>15</sub> TbV | C <sub>19</sub> DyH <sub>22</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>15</sub> V | C <sub>19</sub> ErH <sub>22</sub> N <sub>5</sub> O <sub>15</sub> V |
| <i>M<sub>r</sub></i>   | 768.60   | 770.27   | 773.85   | 778.61   |
| Crystal system   | Monoclinic, <i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>                                | Monoclinic, <i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>                                | Monoclinic, <i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>                                | Monoclinic, <i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>                                |
| <i>a</i> / Å   | 15.27250(18)   | 15.30291(19)   | 15.0536(3)   | 15.7195(3)   |
| <i>b</i> / Å   | 16.9735(2)   | 16.9273(2)   | 16.8695(3)   | 16.4891(3)   |
| <i>c</i> / Å   | 10.05404(13)   | 10.05128(12)   | 9.9480(2)  | 10.0565(2)   |
| $\beta$ / °  | 95.3475(11)  | 95.0619(12)  | 96.3710(10)  | 93.312(2)  |
| <i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>  | 2594.94(6)   | 2593.50(6)   | 2510.66(8)   | 2602.29(9)   |
| <i>Z</i>   | 4  | 4  | 4  | 4  |
| <i>T</i> / K   | 293  | 293  | 100  | 293  |
| X-ray wavelength / Å   | CuK $\alpha$   | CuK $\alpha$   | AgK $\alpha$   | CuK $\alpha$   |
| <i>D<sub>c</sub></i> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>  | 1.967  | 1.973  | 2.047  | 1.987  |
| $\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>   | 20.139   | 17.019   | 1.814  | 9.583  |
| <i>F</i> (000)   | 1512   | 1516   | 1520   | 1528   |
| Reflections collected/unique   | 14284/4716   | 13202/4716   | 44181/5130   | 15025/4732   |
| Data/restraints/parameters   | 4716/39/392  | 4716/39/392  | 5130/4/399   | 4732/24/383  |
| Goodness-of-fit (GOF) on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>   | 1.045  | 1.025  | 1.049  | 1.088  |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> ( <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )) <sup>a, b</sup> | 0.0612/0.1627  | 0.0359/0.0942  | 0.0214/0.0553  | 0.0417/0.1078  |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> (all data) <sup>a, b</sup>                            | 0.0667/0.1659  | 0.0381/0.0958  | 0.0237/0.0560  | 0.0440/0.1092  |
| CCDC number  | 2089692  | 2089693  | 2089694  | 2089695  |

$$^a R_1 = \frac{\sum(|F_o| - |F_c|)}{\sum|F_o|}, ^b wR_2 = \left\{ \frac{\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2]}{\sum[w(F_o^2)^2]} \right\}^{1/2}$$

**Table S3** Deviations from ideal geometry shapes for Ln<sup>III</sup> atoms calculated by SHAPE software

| Structure [ML10]                       | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | Structure [ML9]                    | <b>4</b> |
|--|----------|----------|----------|------------------------------------|----------|
| Decagon                                | 36.353   | 36.120   | 36.099   | Enneagon                           | 35.601   |
| Enneagonal pyramid                     | 25.387   | 25.535   | 25.022   | Octagonal pyramid                  | 22.268   |
| Octagonal bipyramid                    | 16.247   | 16.373   | 16.107   | Heptagonal bipyramid               | 17.310   |
| Pentagonal prism                       | 11.574   | 11.505   | 11.730   | Johnson triangular cupola J3       | 15.204   |
| Pentagonal antiprism                   | 10.847   | 10.843   | 10.634   | Capped cube J8                     | 10.188   |
| Bicapped cube J15                      | 9.807    | 9.716    | 9.126    | Spherical-relaxed capped cube      | 8.339    |
| Bicapped square antiprism J17          | 4.995    | 4.847    | 4.039    | Capped square antiprism J10        | 2.880    |
| Metabidiminshed icosahedron J62        | 7.737    | 7.708    | 7.310    | Spherical capped square antiprism  | 1.631    |
| Augmented tridiminshed icosahedron J64 | 18.845   | 18.531   | 18.850   | Tricapped trigonal prism J51       | 4.338    |
| Sphenocorona J87                       | 3.032    | 2.946    | 3.019    | Spherical tricapped trigonal prism | 2.655    |
| Staggered Dodecahedron (2:6:2)         | 3.510    | 3.536    | 3.789    | Tridiminshed icosahedron J63       | 11.448   |
| Tetradecahedron (2:6:2)                | 2.673    | 2.681    | 2.909    | Hula-hoop                          | 10.344   |
| Hexadecahedron (2:6:2) or (1:4:4:1)    | 6.851    | 6.906    | 6.497    | Muffin                             | 1.910    |

**Table S4** Deviations from ideal geometry shapes for V<sup>IV</sup> atoms calculated by SHAPE software

| Structure [ML6]               | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      |
|-------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Hexagon                       | 33.213 | 33.224 | 33.313 | 33.240 |
| Pentagonal pyramid            | 25.613 | 25.609 | 25.457 | 25.580 |
| Octahedron                    | 0.975  | 0.979  | 0.996  | 1.001  |
| Trigonal prism                | 13.498 | 13.498 | 13.345 | 13.674 |
| Johnson pentagonal pyramid J2 | 29.546 | 29.536 | 29.317 | 29.434 |

**Table S5** The parameters of O-H...O hydrogen bonds in **1-4**.

| D-H...A      | <i>d</i> (D-H)/Å | <i>d</i> (H...A)/Å | <i>d</i> (D...A)/Å | <(DHA) | Symmetry operation |
|--------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------|--------------------|
| <b>1</b>     |                  |                    |                    |        |                    |
| O3-H3A...O15 | 0.86             | 2.08               | 2.851(9)           | 148.9  | x, y, -1+z         |
| O3-H3B...O9  | 0.86             | 2.36               | 3.186(12)          | 161.1  | 1-x, 1-y, -z       |
| O3-H3B...O7  | 0.86             | 2.74               | 3.286(9)           | 123.4  | x, y, z            |
| <b>2</b>     |                  |                    |                    |        |                    |
| O3-H3A...O15 | 0.86             | 2.07               | 2.835(5)           | 148.0  | x, y, -1+z         |
| O3-H3B...O9  | 0.86             | 2.41               | 3.236(7)           | 161.7  | 1-x, 1-y, -z       |
| O3-H3B...O7  | 0.86             | 2.69               | 3.237(5)           | 122.9  | x, y, z            |
| <b>3</b>     |                  |                    |                    |        |                    |
| O3-H3A...O12 | 0.85             | 1.97               | 2.809(3)           | 169.0  | x, y, -1+z         |
| O3-H3B...O9  | 0.84             | 2.18               | 3.014(3)           | 173.0  | 1-x, 1-y, -z       |
| <b>4</b>     |                  |                    |                    |        |                    |
| O3-H3A...O15 | 0.95             | 1.99               | 2.933(10)          | 168.9  | x, y, -1+z         |
| O3-H3B...O11 | 0.95             | 2.35               | 2.962(9)           | 121.2  | x, y, -1+z         |
| O3-H3B...O9  | 0.97             | 2.25               | 3.075(6)           | 143.2  | x, y, z            |

**Table S6** Fitted parameters derived from DC magnetic data

|                                     | <b>2</b> (Tb)   <i>J</i> ⟩ | <b>3</b> (Dy)   <i>J</i> ⟩ | <b>4</b> (Er)   <i>J</i> ⟩ | <b>2</b> (Tb)   <i>LS</i> ⟩ | <b>3</b> (Dy)   <i>LS</i> ⟩ | <b>4</b> (Er)   <i>LS</i> ⟩ |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <i>J</i> (V-Ln) (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | 0.245                      | -0.254                     | -0.140                     | 0.775                       | -0.698                      | -1.56                       |
| <i>g</i> <sub>xy</sub> (Ln)         | 1.49                       | 1.28                       | 1.29                       |                             |                             |                             |
| <i>g</i> <sub>z</sub> (Ln)          | 1.46                       | 1.46                       | 0.86                       |                             |                             |                             |
| <i>D</i> (Ln) (cm <sup>-1</sup> )   | -6.51                      | 7.45                       | -1.51                      | 52.2                        | 24.1                        | 98.4                        |
| <i>E/D</i> (Ln)                     | 0.0326                     | 0.0268                     | 0.248                      | 0.248                       | 0.021                       | 0.007                       |
| <i>σ</i> (Ln)                       |                            |                            |                            | 0.949                       | 0.960                       | 0.970                       |

**Table S7.** The zero-field splitting and g-tensor parameters calculated by OpenMOLCAS/SINGLE\_ANISO for pseudospin *J* of Ln<sup>III</sup> in compounds **2-4**

| <i>JM</i> ⟩                  | Tb <sup>III</sup> , <i>J</i> = 5 | Dy <sup>III</sup> , <i>J</i> = 15/2 | Er <sup>III</sup> , <i>J</i> = 15/2 |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <i>D</i> (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | 6.796                            | 4.367                               | -2.544                              |
| <i>E</i> (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | -1.518                           | 0.755                               | 0.458                               |
| <i>g</i> <sub>x</sub>        | 1.486                            | 1.328                               | 1.195                               |
| <i>g</i> <sub>y</sub>        | 1.491                            | 1.325                               | 1.195                               |
| <i>g</i> <sub>z</sub>        | 1.500                            | 1.323                               | 1.194                               |

**Table S8** Structures of studied compounds with optimized hydrogen atoms, which were used for theoretical method inputs

|    |                    |                   |                   |
|----|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Gd | 4.23031589380655   | 8.80421610434115  | 2.61130519853841  |
| V  | 2.24729847669359   | 7.35314954053888  | 5.09536525677989  |
| O  | 3.85571410723178   | 6.92591980300138  | 4.03478378427166  |
| O  | 2.79940786795862   | 9.17079806260417  | 4.49579585548380  |
| O  | 5.89165878952986   | 6.89643482764832  | 2.43610189119907  |
| O  | 3.67952750547476   | 11.21700781409789 | 3.13984558050621  |
| O  | 1.05711548389845   | 7.01197657659352  | 4.11786707778699  |
| O  | 3.89542306813103   | 7.65103560296233  | 6.69670957126963  |
| H  | 4.68709344882997   | 7.91962770656217  | 6.17829258201702  |
| H  | 3.72908993608264   | 8.41791752681752  | 7.27596298975652  |
| O  | 5.70750782975520   | 9.35757722523311  | 4.55707390078245  |
| O  | 6.38496003672556   | 9.91148941654147  | 2.61338628771168  |
| O  | 7.62817838429698   | 10.31201407515425 | 4.34383561658187  |
| O  | 5.26246554595326   | 8.50035404704006  | 0.19114811184466  |
| O  | 4.12262098198591   | 10.19051343818153 | 0.55228470266220  |
| O  | 4.75965440758151   | 9.80933056989127  | -1.43599609603835 |
| O  | 2.99055923984422   | 7.14096332867978  | 1.30145893181674  |
| O  | 1.88538362506313   | 8.87497879144712  | 1.78571446030135  |
| O  | 0.86725073127428   | 7.17751844279478  | 0.89329609032408  |
| N  | 2.26219417917211   | 5.44516605014039  | 5.94204308927269  |
| N  | 1.10698184752592   | 8.22284456022387  | 6.59443221692883  |
| N  | 6.60887634561161   | 9.86815656715816  | 3.87506333261989  |
| N  | 4.72935192682757   | 9.50008484294589  | -0.25524751629093 |
| N  | 1.88721393416720   | 7.71479746757967  | 1.32319022144722  |
| C  | 2.26278978674067   | 10.35086943090988 | 4.77847792517976  |
| C  | 2.67498093502549   | 11.48013921311532 | 4.08173854837297  |
| C  | 2.15052680837512   | 12.73329047115247 | 4.29945232674237  |
| H  | 2.49270804968889   | 13.59169314185891 | 3.71474217614852  |
| C  | 1.15502396330559   | 12.88605147858770 | 5.25714470863404  |
| H  | 0.71469031085436   | 13.87687145001610 | 5.42052392780990  |
| C  | 0.74036601025270   | 11.82290364594974 | 5.99905286332650  |
| H  | -0.02944339932608  | 11.95453078444491 | 6.77108070234065  |
| C  | 1.27963857187523   | 10.53065145379304 | 5.80225498159399  |
| C  | 0.80857435448979   | 9.46569654196301  | 6.66041860938243  |
| H  | 0.07352161440832   | 9.78981972095824  | 7.42392397110268  |
| C  | 0.28027660263431   | 7.25518005045657  | 7.48667136018126  |
| H  | -0.096219222673525 | 7.84957890939954  | 8.34170687822052  |
| H  | -0.59350480811798  | 6.96946602598383  | 6.86863265578614  |
| C  | 1.01887896550231   | 6.06329585358766  | 7.93623017793100  |
| H  | 1.96973055528148   | 6.35282074893810  | 8.42888274021209  |
| H  | 0.41219100866394   | 5.60645143051412  | 8.74506758358992  |
| C  | 1.23530213210309   | 5.07174295326698  | 6.93191915956788  |
| H  | 0.29798978360047   | 4.88034589975315  | 6.36597586472633  |
| H  | 1.52548028696788   | 4.09996074348963  | 7.38082746816493  |
| C  | 3.02596105256738   | 4.51610983362299  | 5.55113566033656  |
| H  | 2.89533550342618   | 3.51029608559175  | 5.99837128149079  |
| C  | 4.10349548797422   | 4.57539359814327  | 4.58560806155949  |
| C  | 4.81281726321532   | 3.40343186327933  | 4.35156758942472  |
| H  | 4.51146038608323   | 2.49366217536036  | 4.88834418307752  |
| C  | 5.85402349571165   | 3.36246567390003  | 3.48105070872763  |
| H  | 6.39098313639384   | 2.42288800556874  | 3.30474436454957  |

|   |                  |                   |                  |
|---|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| C | 6.25091413662334 | 4.50358240334237  | 2.81840482832758 |
| H | 7.09634395208984 | 4.47191904286630  | 2.12411544022592 |
| C | 5.57262689761978 | 5.68062354501146  | 3.03035515869965 |
| C | 4.47706789647701 | 5.75566782889430  | 3.87804209231736 |
| C | 4.40770203881129 | 12.36915065794697 | 2.64558264928736 |
| H | 5.23488011777449 | 11.96687453489540 | 2.04592618507372 |
| H | 4.79438242542688 | 12.96094228113947 | 3.49433611017369 |
| H | 3.76009259368946 | 12.98335284611760 | 1.99646477180323 |
| C | 7.25002796077816 | 7.00200129035281  | 1.90842014695188 |
| H | 7.38381424191964 | 8.05716583664322  | 1.63620954300954 |
| H | 7.35348630159420 | 6.38046790138826  | 1.00320428797841 |
| H | 7.97304721281180 | 6.69876325961725  | 2.68587117039771 |

|    |                   |                   |                   |
|----|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Tb | 10.60947042051786 | 8.13640733843592  | 2.38405082876606  |
| V  | 12.58687173887926 | 9.59674449918716  | -0.08240522537432 |
| O  | 10.96818563792711 | 10.01205037220605 | 0.97579696375244  |
| O  | 12.04347331096572 | 7.77430761039490  | 0.52020248117289  |
| O  | 13.77488081761629 | 9.95462788955077  | 0.90344839856378  |
| O  | 10.93458128411027 | 9.28582215046200  | -1.68355556775034 |
| H  | 11.10114876117609 | 8.52700046342021  | -2.27324387389638 |
| H  | 10.15455522863361 | 9.00014508732195  | -1.15516090762408 |
| O  | 8.93636600928995  | 10.01825525213805 | 2.57425148872587  |
| O  | 11.16504626502937 | 5.73375338765614  | 1.86618973051959  |
| O  | 11.82760145717940 | 9.78453945451218  | 3.69710825052842  |
| O  | 13.95557608301026 | 9.74364065345853  | 4.12487954864301  |
| O  | 12.94203107980828 | 8.04697370029137  | 3.21153629229587  |
| O  | 10.11994982893973 | 7.15979308635356  | 6.45447679895697  |
| O  | 9.55779160187337  | 8.44722640109629  | 4.82713510998793  |
| O  | 8.46685421045309  | 7.03036914379827  | 2.38519693121791  |
| O  | 9.16047622322216  | 7.60078452745768  | 0.43546329258335  |
| O  | 7.23395923218609  | 6.62398902228983  | 0.65873428345799  |
| O  | 10.70769105967172 | 6.77562205941553  | 4.42760757996823  |
| N  | 12.55869799479536 | 11.49828781918787 | -0.92560835664059 |
| N  | 13.74363730074898 | 8.72814531120795  | -1.58284576746316 |
| N  | 8.25232374091829  | 7.06815894446835  | 1.13116962728093  |
| N  | 12.94709908992024 | 9.20634939294280  | 3.69644914961661  |
| N  | 10.12556318733224 | 7.46651453671681  | 5.27612872494844  |
| C  | 10.34984064693852 | 11.18645184557174 | 1.12168993750443  |
| C  | 9.25168878697171  | 11.24132009159437 | 1.98619513821776  |
| C  | 8.56538012638195  | 12.41322076187340 | 2.20332494724978  |
| H  | 7.72136421442534  | 12.43829429223334 | 2.89953559720608  |
| C  | 8.95525110156146  | 13.56751639248204 | 1.54499832576240  |
| H  | 8.41163743610460  | 14.50148845104068 | 1.73054998723636  |
| C  | 9.98992958550522  | 13.53640466446730 | 0.67163140776792  |
| H  | 10.29106224654906 | 14.44594508784914 | 0.13544601817996  |
| C  | 10.70873436753029 | 12.35094025875683 | 0.43239720973687  |
| C  | 11.77791113680300 | 12.43154684683951 | -0.53813123316909 |
| H  | 11.90090247965155 | 13.43556299736757 | -0.98797825644513 |
| C  | 13.58684941335132 | 11.88701219510958 | -1.91397765262706 |
| H  | 13.29399889188614 | 12.85805518852145 | -2.36157915157416 |
| H  | 14.52875787475677 | 12.06894826331298 | -1.35542448173818 |
| C  | 13.79394926553439 | 10.87318486012291 | -2.94097503825522 |

|   |                   |                   |                   |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| H | 14.39179662009941 | 11.32063654120680 | -3.75936928179392 |
| H | 12.83786462099003 | 10.56072504197610 | -3.40366918994991 |
| C | 14.56812994648617 | 9.67560905388325  | -2.43943926300894 |
| H | 15.41381550534469 | 10.00578987973516 | -1.80533693632662 |
| H | 14.99032166964048 | 9.09132456808415  | -3.28093278984932 |
| C | 14.02897907263228 | 7.48883633305668  | -1.63990968905563 |
| H | 14.76771586384887 | 7.15858307131227  | -2.39816086317211 |
| C | 13.55626309598694 | 6.42257698140179  | -0.78313239092212 |
| C | 13.66186405902272 | 4.06605267038550  | -0.25841913210488 |
| H | 14.09616170849489 | 3.07398456458520  | -0.43193529996089 |
| C | 12.68132407697502 | 4.21558455342799  | 0.69796192113080  |
| H | 12.33950683814960 | 3.35326625673787  | 1.27785942807851  |
| C | 12.15455404976351 | 5.46690120115804  | 0.92877755297021  |
| C | 12.58051635223555 | 6.59578794058226  | 0.22430602159525  |
| C | 7.58770994190197  | 9.91533146068190  | 3.11687785709504  |
| H | 6.85538601656681  | 10.22621324194640 | 2.35107990592265  |
| H | 7.49698170049888  | 10.53104538997256 | 4.02751446640196  |
| H | 7.45160558412872  | 8.85936444587548  | 3.38388565086954  |
| C | 10.43302854414510 | 4.57928888516873  | 2.37609802621262  |
| H | 11.08859703370873 | 3.96808489322838  | 3.01922994033004  |
| H | 10.03847090177568 | 3.98797573606949  | 1.53121175461829  |
| H | 9.61510936017361  | 4.98972891690520  | 2.98199641646641  |
| C | 14.08773810320594 | 5.13231861203525  | -0.99795080978968 |
| H | 14.85467319606783 | 5.00023645947011  | -1.77216683304753 |

|    |                   |                   |                  |
|----|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| Dy | 9.82817962583761  | 8.13119197828618  | 7.30984530938112 |
| V  | 11.83217918839269 | 9.53108473126220  | 4.84125349456290 |
| C  | 11.77663776953551 | 6.54869164276579  | 5.16316565906655 |
| C  | 11.33517809158155 | 5.43336257447515  | 5.89817219364560 |
| C  | 11.85969383528148 | 4.17379302216061  | 5.70646949424462 |
| H  | 11.50767840907331 | 3.32590644144968  | 6.30107149878074 |
| C  | 12.86903075384630 | 3.99139869786682  | 4.75983909898466 |
| H  | 13.30741489854448 | 2.99680907271023  | 4.61898109795154 |
| C  | 13.30364081153832 | 5.05598398810682  | 4.00698221910849 |
| H  | 14.08141874221712 | 4.91157873809076  | 3.24575539469754 |
| C  | 12.75780550798398 | 6.34749275480809  | 4.17801316540565 |
| C  | 13.22605287170166 | 7.38540903344612  | 3.27971368840816 |
| H  | 13.96294640384970 | 7.04205078089739  | 2.52688090152707 |
| C  | 13.81798156632948 | 9.59175662985697  | 2.47567214208546 |
| H  | 14.67031435583718 | 9.86233182558228  | 3.12725504912770 |
| H  | 14.21143603797143 | 9.00444636468932  | 1.62352659251129 |
| C  | 13.08659911310343 | 10.81976593782521 | 2.01032673441955 |
| H  | 13.69131185146914 | 11.25316858043456 | 1.18803761376271 |
| H  | 12.11772622603922 | 10.54793161621253 | 1.54748717911231 |
| C  | 12.92332710713639 | 11.82249070966266 | 3.03432708774848 |
| H  | 12.65452179707334 | 12.80688249243010 | 2.60194773071979 |
| H  | 13.87014004314462 | 11.97133725712544 | 3.59455429551019 |
| C  | 11.11430339607168 | 12.39370122118419 | 4.39946571115726 |
| H  | 11.26284063808311 | 13.39659835982472 | 3.95537201447543 |
| C  | 10.02191204019389 | 12.33125260428426 | 5.35088672978890 |
| C  | 9.29180023317513  | 13.52158438838264 | 5.54591229805790 |
| H  | 9.60861863452372  | 14.42521852282682 | 5.00918065411792 |
| C  | 8.21321257598068  | 13.55931265757517 | 6.38077748060944 |

|    |                   |                   |                   |
|----|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| H  | 7.65912967747111  | 14.49361314786790 | 6.52935281442095  |
| C  | 7.79962147129617  | 12.40793500568131 | 7.05042251857141  |
| H  | 6.92831165860273  | 12.44437099836852 | 7.71084209451062  |
| C  | 8.49909612559017  | 11.23330674842463 | 6.87427057541482  |
| C  | 9.63122087189632  | 11.17323632141091 | 6.04222360766149  |
| C  | 9.61609171884385  | 4.58525998522468  | 7.35905297810302  |
| H  | 9.23544860349587  | 3.95860032358811  | 6.53327966867089  |
| H  | 8.78584062130699  | 5.00274114923422  | 7.94285492564814  |
| H  | 10.27423777576137 | 4.00520563235430  | 8.02815067746503  |
| C  | 6.80424478818182  | 9.93645073549150  | 7.95780721872849  |
| H  | 6.69367314492886  | 10.56691745934608 | 8.85619175405568  |
| H  | 6.65037259216670  | 8.88684426970462  | 8.23975821852206  |
| H  | 6.09546674944825  | 10.24239173006853 | 7.16808501437836  |
| N  | 12.93804901592471 | 8.63322417091579  | 3.32752673175395  |
| N  | 11.88311783720499 | 11.44463295800977 | 4.02178420340330  |
| N  | 7.46160590604274  | 7.07501054730623  | 6.10860854565572  |
| N  | 9.27621494682733  | 7.47011659895749  | 10.16362128732239 |
| N  | 12.16049050202983 | 9.18088918986665  | 8.59854456911457  |
| O  | 11.22316873445755 | 7.73042207451074  | 5.43411576088598  |
| O  | 10.24934119131428 | 9.99154171543958  | 5.93000845072385  |
| O  | 10.20128977355990 | 9.31220493138461  | 3.25337913966400  |
| O  | 13.04818983601155 | 9.83230780953903  | 5.82331116066720  |
| O  | 10.33322351043367 | 5.72763169845692  | 6.81597109000383  |
| O  | 8.16411017322108  | 10.01902817486349 | 7.45191021303936  |
| O  | 8.35940127689335  | 7.59236704993407  | 5.39155881115608  |
| O  | 7.70363380873644  | 7.03889555363387  | 7.37173422405762  |
| O  | 6.41753386171151  | 6.63821598579704  | 5.66045985893902  |
| O  | 9.99181294647297  | 6.81592153268537  | 9.34650456203030  |
| O  | 8.64593586304024  | 8.44729911806959  | 9.70759792847742  |
| O  | 9.21928121698564  | 7.13505779263971  | 11.35462344543094 |
| O  | 10.99990146231621 | 9.71941158160318  | 8.69179078131124  |
| O  | 12.18697583282354 | 8.04207267674152  | 8.04427059854779  |
| O  | 13.15619906978699 | 9.73637511205781  | 9.02125719926378  |
| H  | 10.36404729756046 | 8.55473700471149  | 2.66067344167432  |
| H  | 9.39949361213803  | 9.04502559188742  | 3.75699440175707  |
| Er | 4.43336607130122  | 7.81030530400441  | 2.78047291420480  |
| V  | 2.43160067202685  | 9.41904537554727  | 5.06354386783605  |
| O  | 4.09327159857136  | 9.72072569009611  | 4.03840530113895  |
| O  | 2.91801135533878  | 7.57333430125829  | 4.51722418897326  |
| O  | 6.07284905579019  | 9.60087055774205  | 2.38984628052661  |
| O  | 3.81092751621486  | 5.49128056553736  | 3.26055038348932  |
| O  | 2.21814088822485  | 7.58707549526519  | 1.81983636726380  |
| O  | 3.32199779563541  | 9.35709591959302  | 1.32796446201846  |
| O  | 5.76581297516685  | 7.38571289142119  | 4.77798504620680  |
| O  | 6.52116073803832  | 6.68583701121407  | 2.90861748405090  |
| O  | 4.96217758853557  | 6.91807596786917  | 0.78434445654104  |
| N  | 2.20441802081907  | 8.73164537422782  | 1.27012636974625  |
| N  | 6.68884440936070  | 6.79684084565644  | 4.17466189937863  |
| O  | 1.28956956332659  | 9.80525045274262  | 4.03205029789821  |
| O  | 4.01821366432477  | 9.03779753347649  | 6.69768092470960  |
| N  | 2.55653026659083  | 11.33854172176684 | 5.86187037444465  |
| N  | 1.17379235796841  | 8.64265613663941  | 6.53958005136832  |



|   |                   |                   |                   |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| C | 4.74618674584100  | 10.87761136698346 | 3.82953796509621  |
| C | 2.38911383596480  | 6.41069406262651  | 4.88267059174854  |
| C | 5.81578252479276  | 10.84537499442285 | 2.91947200364506  |
| C | 7.38120023526442  | 9.42718292297423  | 1.78564443400392  |
| C | 2.83692128581905  | 5.25142362446250  | 4.23006479295079  |
| C | 4.48860690083445  | 4.33960098559747  | 2.73678337392580  |
| N | 4.87206779361766  | 7.36826082769295  | -0.36912593595784 |
| O | 1.23441370051335  | 9.21514616317975  | 0.73258005056980  |
| O | 7.67997496119752  | 6.39326267896436  | 4.70766658926515  |
| H | 4.79841256174619  | 8.69496183513507  | 6.20047226924026  |
| H | 3.81107187136024  | 8.31695849522244  | 7.32088005902956  |
| C | 3.38536645727207  | 12.21868178475556 | 5.46227390630246  |
| C | 1.53273707173685  | 11.78307565077784 | 6.83540836369434  |
| C | 0.42300092983968  | 9.58729741311357  | 7.40855892466232  |
| C | 0.92092129424090  | 7.39546310858109  | 6.67700635783851  |
| C | 4.42686464529330  | 12.07176756896354 | 4.47311273843395  |
| C | 1.42345322637486  | 6.28453556082865  | 5.90800101120361  |
| C | 6.52558440018592  | 12.00529003600990 | 2.63951246537146  |
| H | 8.16377576320499  | 9.71832556230401  | 2.50850177698314  |
| H | 7.45120011525118  | 10.01828301038048 | 0.85760124173052  |
| H | 7.45760234736478  | 8.36201264204550  | 1.53082938543679  |
| C | 2.32961220954929  | 4.00627277862449  | 4.53663873831840  |
| H | 5.26323744981049  | 4.72435411177368  | 2.05899799152148  |
| H | 3.78688968492348  | 3.70788347374164  | 2.16343277459015  |
| H | 4.95190252085168  | 3.76059742199853  | 3.55610939057573  |
| O | 5.74836332001179  | 8.08033843617618  | -0.82762908404192 |
| O | 3.86972810305150  | 7.29632355678858  | -1.08220637956279 |
| H | 3.31833309526229  | 13.23499826258124 | 5.89731759944241  |
| H | 0.60930168567676  | 12.00843501166906 | 6.26319107594014  |
| H | 1.86722927204686  | 12.73094505582865 | 7.30126228812238  |
| C | 1.24459437483268  | 10.75182593891758 | 7.88353449495421  |
| H | 0.00711715672167  | 9.02557283315316  | 8.26880718042083  |
| H | -0.43858754091519 | 9.95532604210293  | 6.81453242722780  |
| H | 0.19716106638073  | 7.10107082338154  | 7.46353460384788  |
| C | 5.17610257379407  | 13.22564371750241 | 4.17476761210672  |
| C | 0.92020713919788  | 5.00517321787051  | 6.19372767831727  |
| H | 7.34802683339037  | 11.98327797261541 | 1.91722009193619  |
| C | 6.18823317290737  | 13.18235453079939 | 3.26286990948148  |
| C | 1.35467736456864  | 3.89825771384967  | 5.52338877725651  |
| H | 2.67840897060372  | 3.11362997809947  | 4.00884760329271  |
| H | 0.66862409885810  | 11.24789613641184 | 8.68924581592662  |
| H | 2.18508426205845  | 10.40710357871145 | 8.35557436004418  |
| H | 4.92178831872008  | 14.16610379423142 | 4.68018050756735  |
| H | 0.15802172939104  | 4.90569408263936  | 6.97831088328616  |
| H | 6.75250338494894  | 14.09281168530454 | 3.02689030043618  |
| H | 0.93933654840652  | 2.91203840614738  | 5.76154032402169  |

**Table S9.** The  $g$ -values of  $V^{IV}$  ions in **2-4** calculated by OpenMOLCAS/SINGLE\_ANISO.

| Compound | $g_x$ | $g_y$ | $g_z$ | Energy of first excited state ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|--|
| <b>2</b> | 1.981 | 1.976 | 1.930 | 15495  |
| <b>3</b> | 1.981 | 1.978 | 1.930 | 15292  |
| <b>4</b> | 1.983 | 1.981 | 1.929 | 15553  |

**Table S10.** The splitting of the lowest multiplet for  $Tb^{III}$  ion in **2** calculated by OpenMOLCAS/SINGLE\_ANISO together with  $g$ -values for selected pseudo-doublets and respective tunneling rates.

| $E$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| 0.000                    | $g_x = 0.000, g_y = 0.000, g_z = 17.726$      |
| 0.651                    | $\Delta_{\text{tun}} = 0.651 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ |
| 89.501                   | $g_x = 0.000, g_y = 0.000, g_z = 16.147$      |
| 93.846                   | $\Delta_{\text{tun}} = 4.345 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ |
| 108.891                  |   |
| 121.934                  |   |
| 163.741                  |   |
| 178.307                  |   |
| 192.549                  |   |
| 257.802                  |   |
| 258.184                  |   |
| 321.839                  |   |
| 322.995                  |   |

**Table S11.** The splitting of the lowest multiplet for  $Dy^{III}$  ion in **3** calculated by OpenMOLCAS/SINGLE\_ANISO together with  $g$ -values for each Kramers doublets and respective transition magnetic moments within each doublet quantifying probability for the quantum tunneling (QTM).

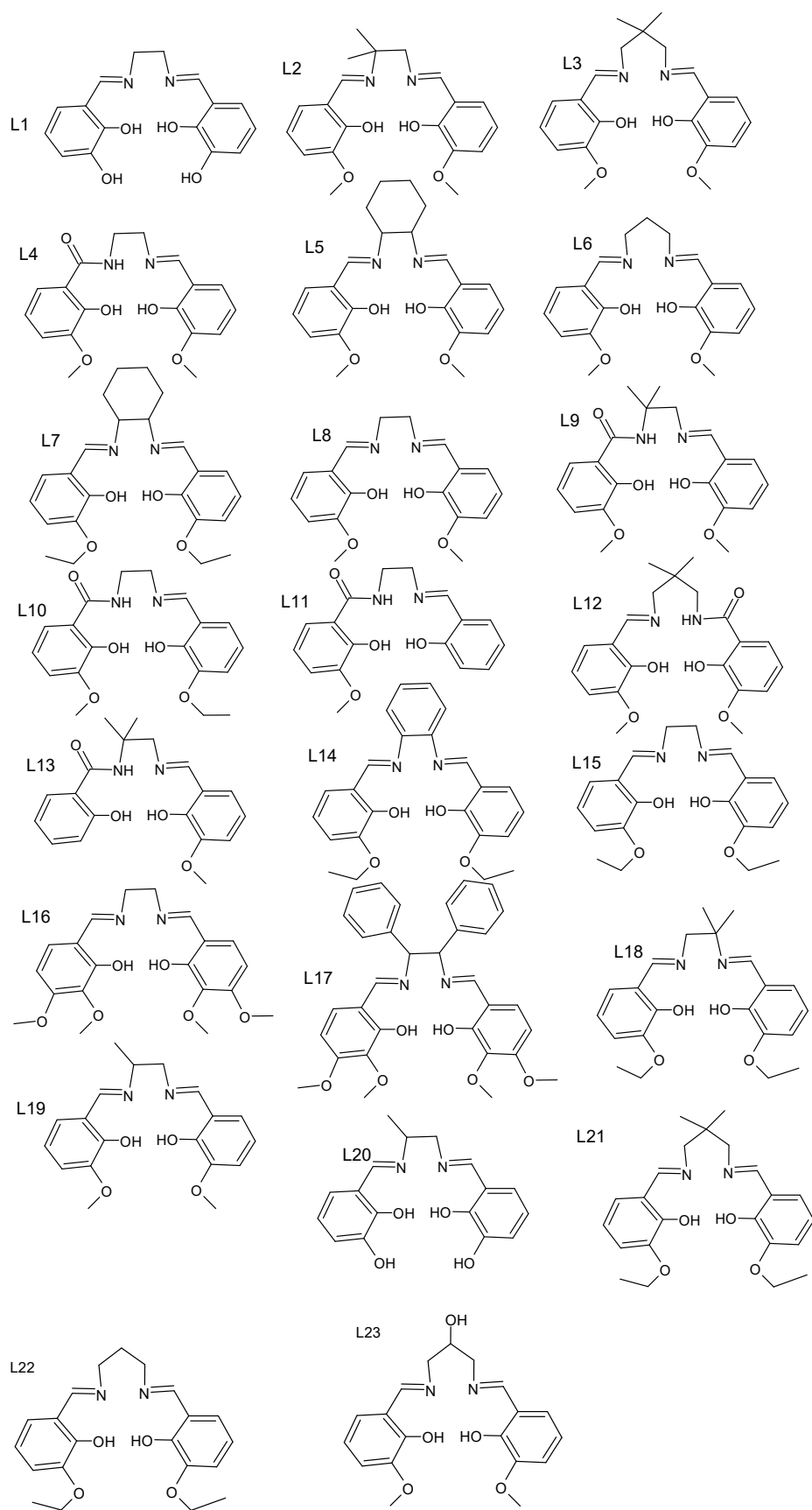
| $E$ ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) | $g_x$ | $g_y$ | $g_z$  | QTM    |
|--------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| 0.000                    | 0.222 | 0.368 | 18.941 | 0.0985 |
| 23.392                   | 0.029 | 0.148 | 18.007 | 0.1491 |
| 111.912                  | 0.547 | 0.714 | 17.573 | 0.8288 |
| 130.534                  | 1.786 | 3.261 | 11.982 | 1.5705 |
| 185.411                  | 8.694 | 5.841 | 1.911  | 1.7658 |
| 221.276                  | 0.183 | 1.458 | 14.732 | 0.4392 |
| 245.258                  | 0.929 | 3.766 | 13.144 | 1.0938 |
| 400.088                  | 0.012 | 0.148 | 19.018 | 0.4337 |

**Table S12.** The splitting of the lowest multiplet for Er<sup>III</sup> ion in **4** calculated by OpenMOLCAS/SINGLE\_ANISO together with g-values for each Kramers doublets and respective transition magnetic moments within each doublet quantifying probability for the quantum tunneling (QTM).

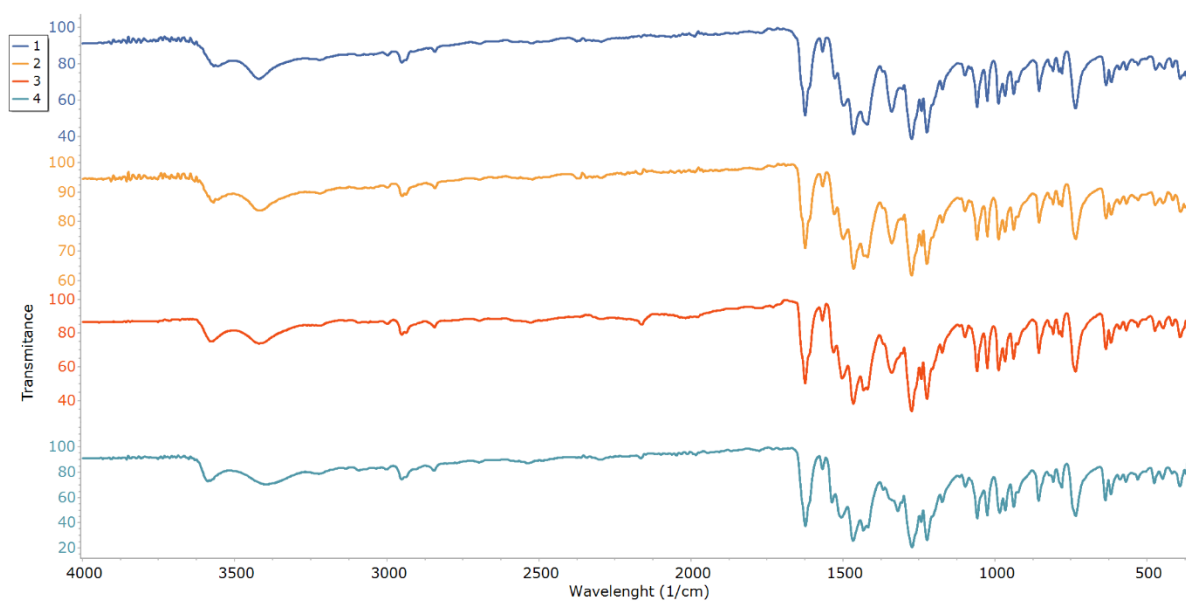
| $E$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> ) | $g_x$ | $g_y$ | $g_z$  | QTM    |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|
| 0.000                   | 1.643 | 3.634 | 12.603 | 0.8796 |
| 47.547                  | 7.192 | 6.243 | 2.807  | 1.6710 |
| 107.675                 | 0.213 | 3.121 | 11.756 | 0.7747 |
| 166.728                 | 0.207 | 3.055 | 8.518  | 1.1241 |
| 213.253                 | 1.407 | 4.060 | 9.693  | 2.2595 |
| 248.201                 | 0.881 | 3.191 | 8.006  | 1.4929 |
| 319.477                 | 0.648 | 3.192 | 11.203 | 1.6391 |
| 368.499                 | 1.207 | 3.615 | 12.732 | 1.1355 |

**Table S13** NEVPT2 energy difference ( $E(M_{\max})-E(M_{\max-2})$ ) between states with different multiplicities, and exchange interaction constants

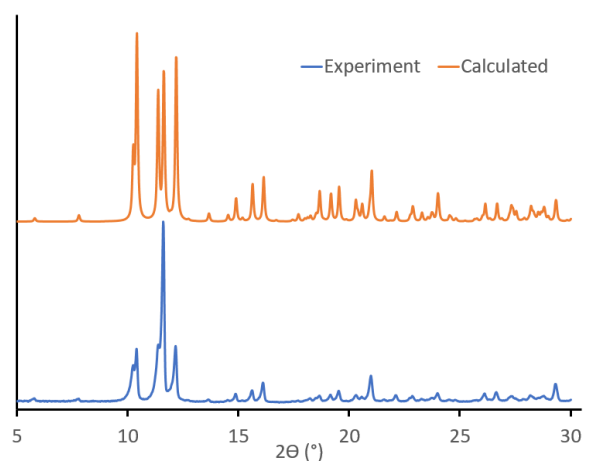
| State | $\Delta E$ (2) | $\Delta E$ (3) | $\Delta E$ (4) | $J_{(\Gamma\text{b-V})}$ (2) | $J_{(\text{Dy-V})}$ (3) | $J_{(\text{Er-V})}$ (4) |
|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1     | 5.217          | 6.371          | 3.035          | 2.12                         | 1.49                    | 1.52                    |
| 2     | 0.317          | 4.514          | 0.672          | 1.50                         | 0.09                    | 0.34                    |
| 3     | 1.217          | 1.514          | 0.572          | 0.50                         | 0.35                    | 0.29                    |
| 4     | 0.317          | 6.714          | -1.828         | 2.24                         | 0.09                    | -0.91                   |
| 5     | 0.617          | 2.914          | 2.072          | 0.97                         | 0.18                    | 1.04                    |
| 6     | 4.217          | 2.914          | -0.228         | 0.97                         | 1.20                    | -0.11                   |
| 7     | -0.183         | 3.514          | -7.128         | 1.17                         | -0.05                   | -3.56                   |
| 8     |                | 1.214          | 0.272          | 0.40                         |                         | 0.14                    |
| 9     |                |                | 1.572          |                              |                         | 0.79                    |
| 10    |                |                | -1.228         |                              |                         | -0.61                   |
| 11    |                |                | 0.872          |                              |                         | 0.44                    |
| 12    |                |                | 1.372          |                              |                         | 0.69                    |
| 13    |                |                | 0.672          |                              |                         | 0.34                    |
| Avg   |                |                |                | 1.23                         | 0.48                    | 0.03                    |



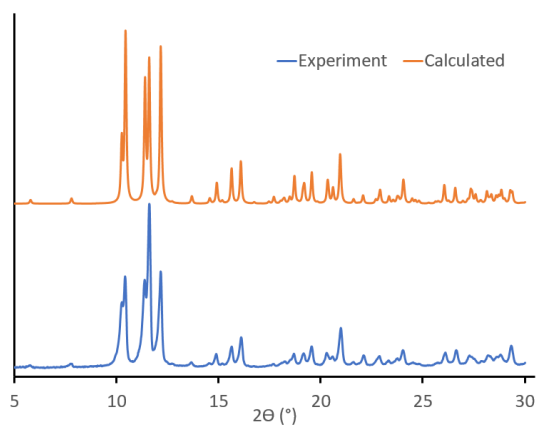
**Figure S1:** Ligand structures for literature research in Table 1 and Table S1



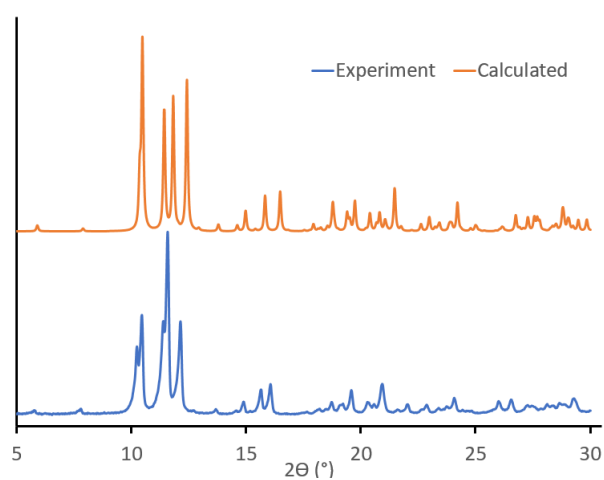
**Figure S2** FTIR spectra of prepared compounds



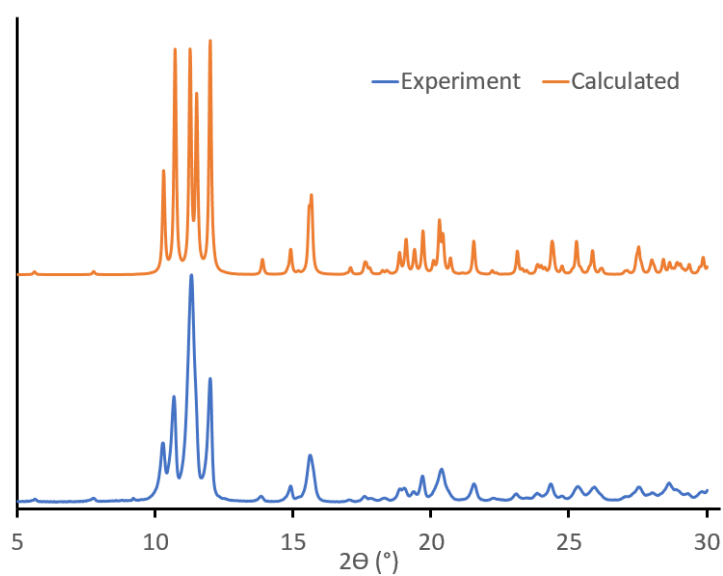
**Figure S3** XPD powder pattern of prepared compounds, compared with patterns calculated for structure **1**



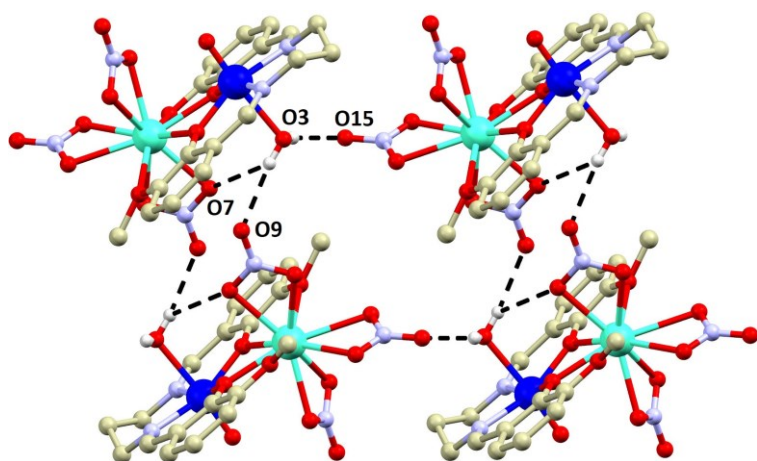
**Figure S4** XPD powder pattern of prepared compounds, compared with patterns calculated for structure **2**



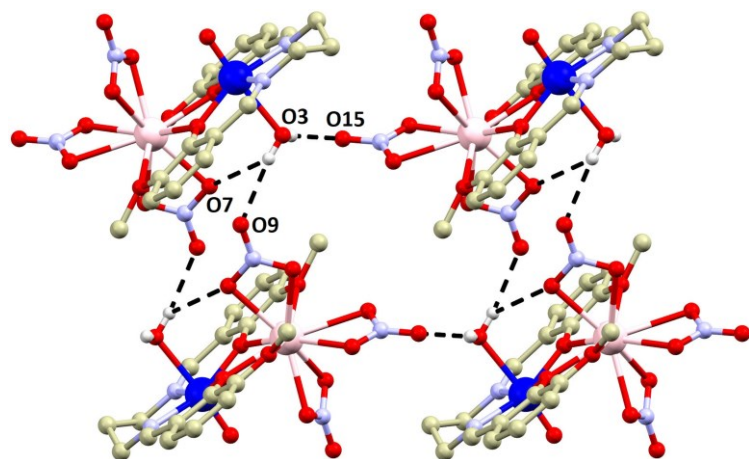
**Figure S5** XPD powder pattern of prepared compounds, compared with patterns calculated for structure **3**



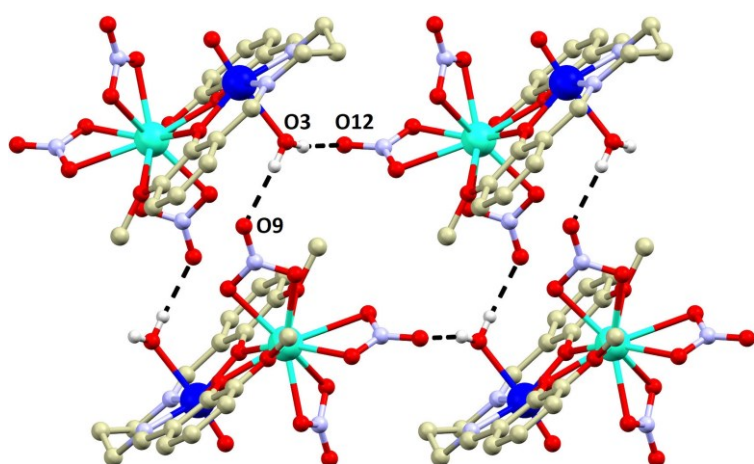
**Figure S6** XPD powder pattern of prepared compounds, compared with patterns calculated for structure **4**



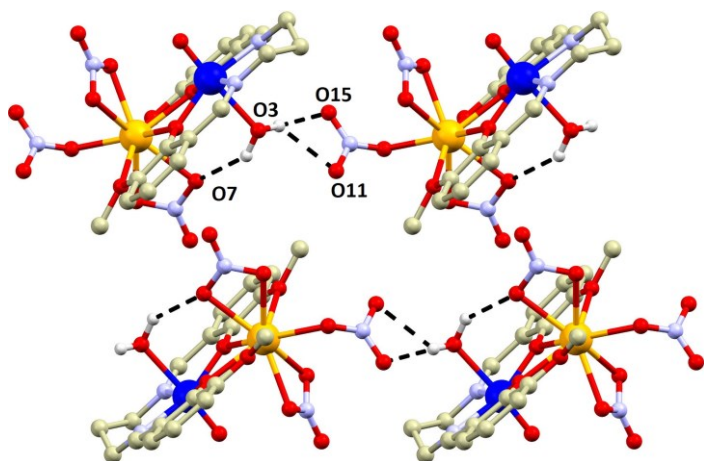
**Fig. S7** A perspective view on O-H...O hydrogen bonds (black dashed lines) in **1**.



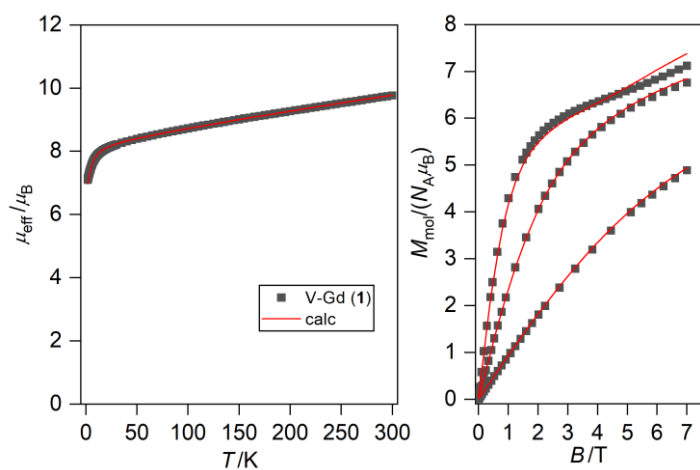
**Fig. S8** A perspective view on O-H...O hydrogen bonds (black dashed lines) in **2**.



**Fig. S9** A perspective view on O-H...O hydrogen bonds (black dashed lines) in **3**.

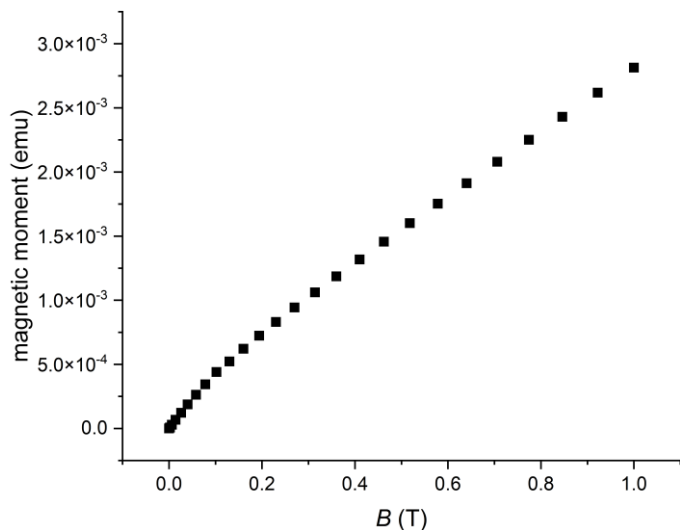


**Fig. S10** A perspective view on O-H...O hydrogen bonds (black dashed lines) in **4** (major disorder site).

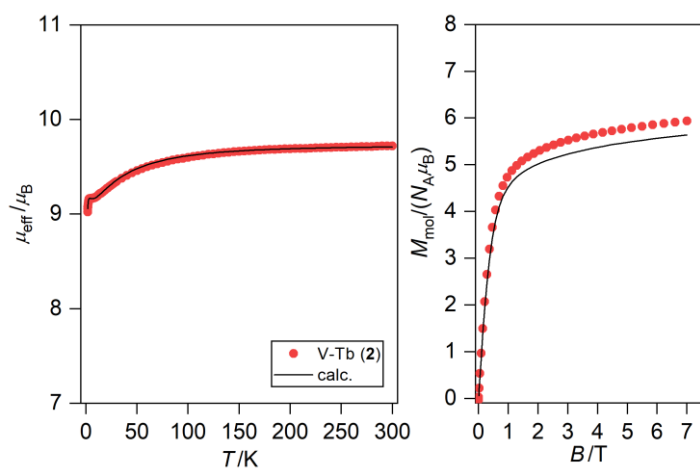


**Fig. S11** Magnetic data for **1**. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2, 5$  and  $10$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 3 and parameters in text – full line.

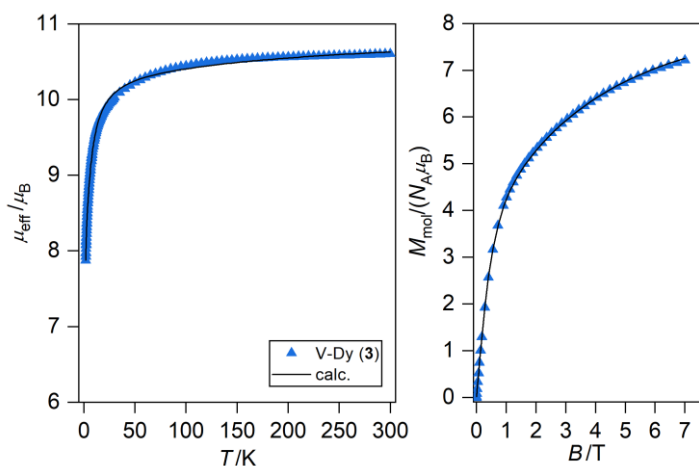




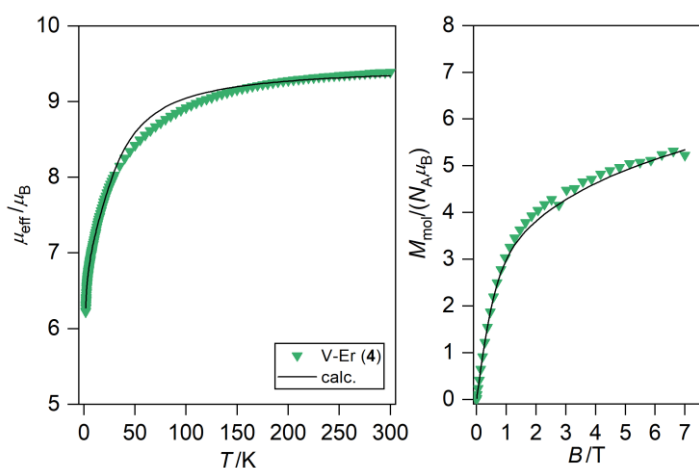
**Fig. S12** Magnetic data for **1**. The isothermal magnetic moments measured at  $T = 300$  K.



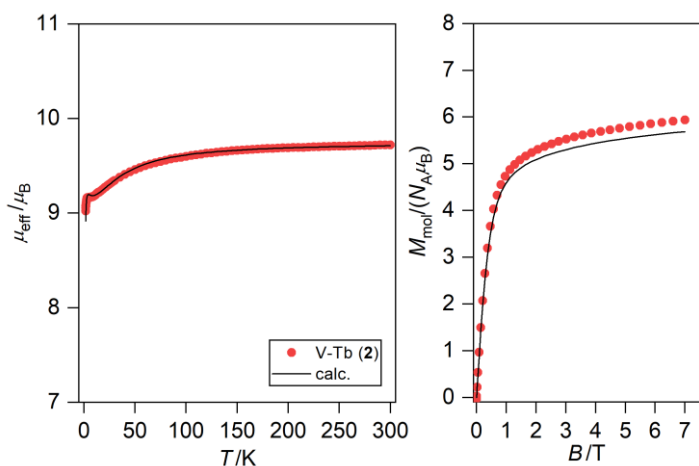
**Fig S13** Magnetic data and fit for **2** in JM basis. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 4 and parameters in text – full line.



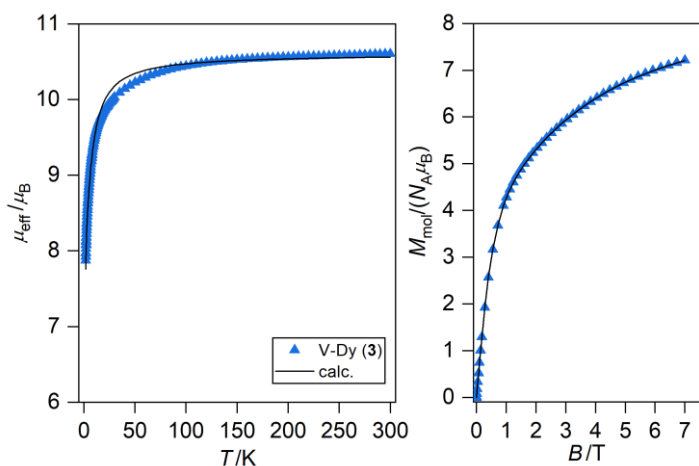
**Fig S14** Magnetic data and fit for **3** in JM basis. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 4 and parameters in text – full line.



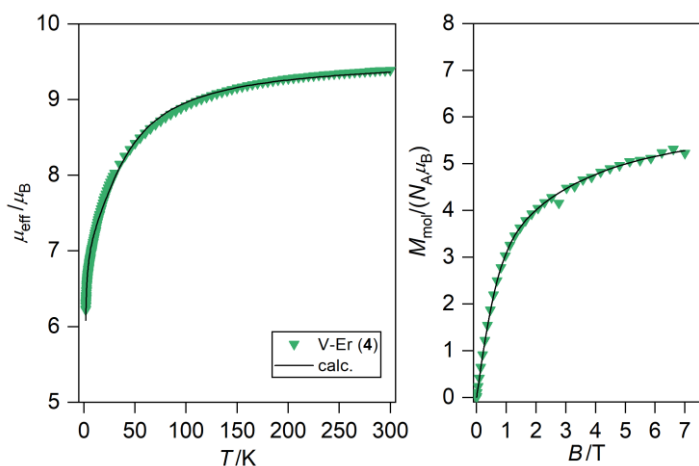
**Fig S15** Magnetic data and fit for **4** in JM basis. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 4 and parameters in text – full line.



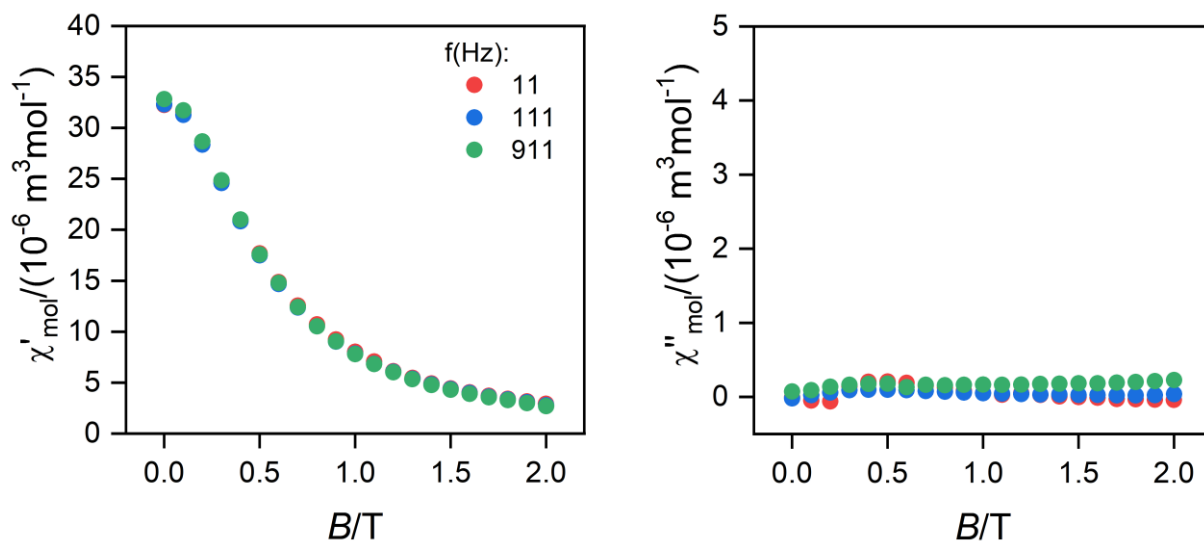
**Fig S16** Magnetic data and fit for **2** in LS basis. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 5 and parameters in text – full line.



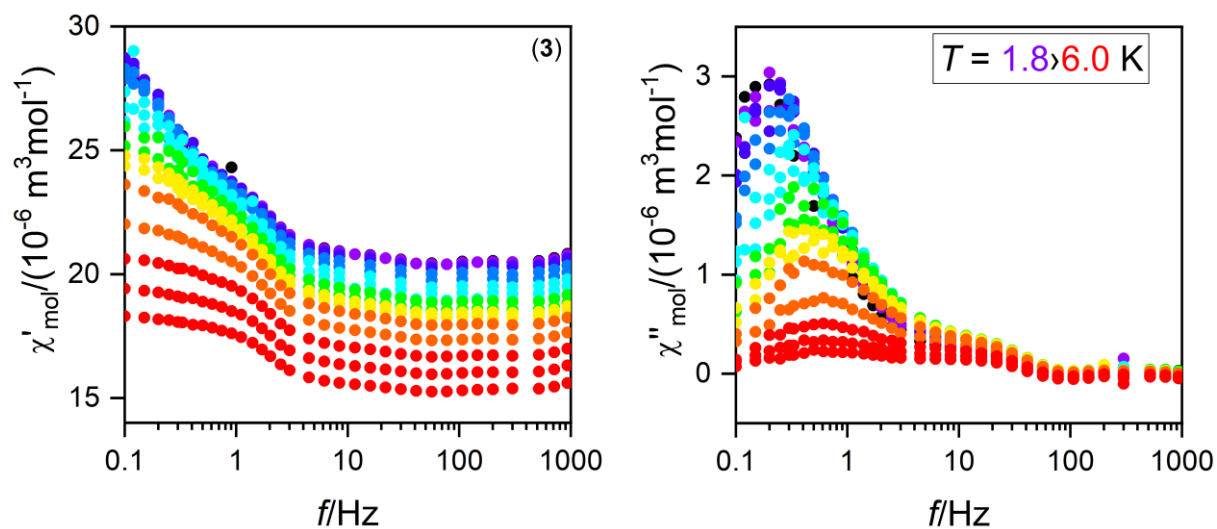
**Fig S17** Magnetic data and fit for **3** in LS basis. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 5 and parameters in text – full line.



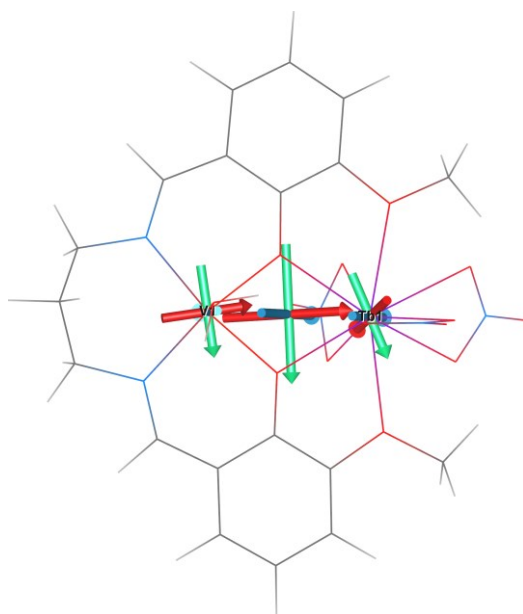
**Fig S18** Magnetic data and fit for **4** in LS basis. Temperature dependence of the effective magnetic moment  $\mu_{\text{eff}}$  calculated from the mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2$  T and the isothermal magnetizations measured at  $T = 2$  K. Experimental data – full symbols, calculated data with Eq. 5 and parameters in text – full line.



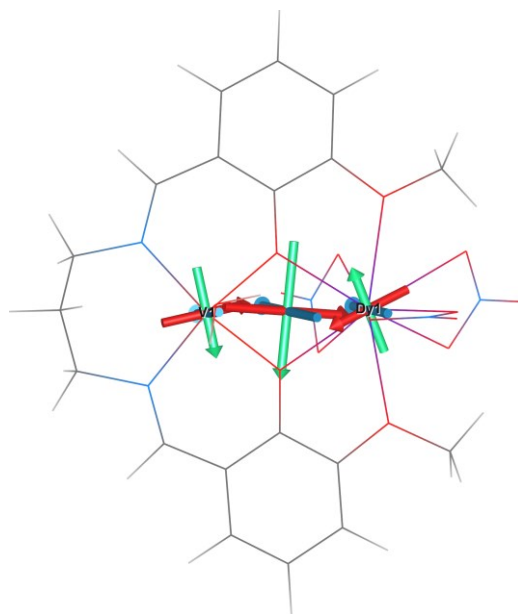
**Fig. S19** AC susceptibility data for **4**. The field dependence of real and imaginary molar susceptibilities at  $T = 2$  K.



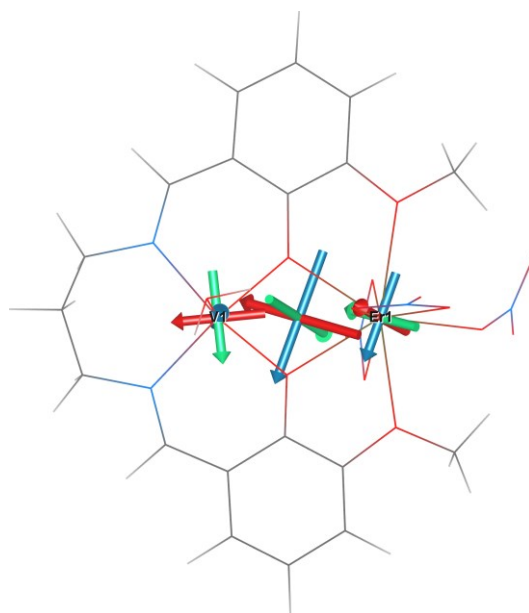
**Fig. S20** AC susceptibility data for **3**. The temperature dependence of real and imaginary molar susceptibilities at  $B = 0.4$  T.



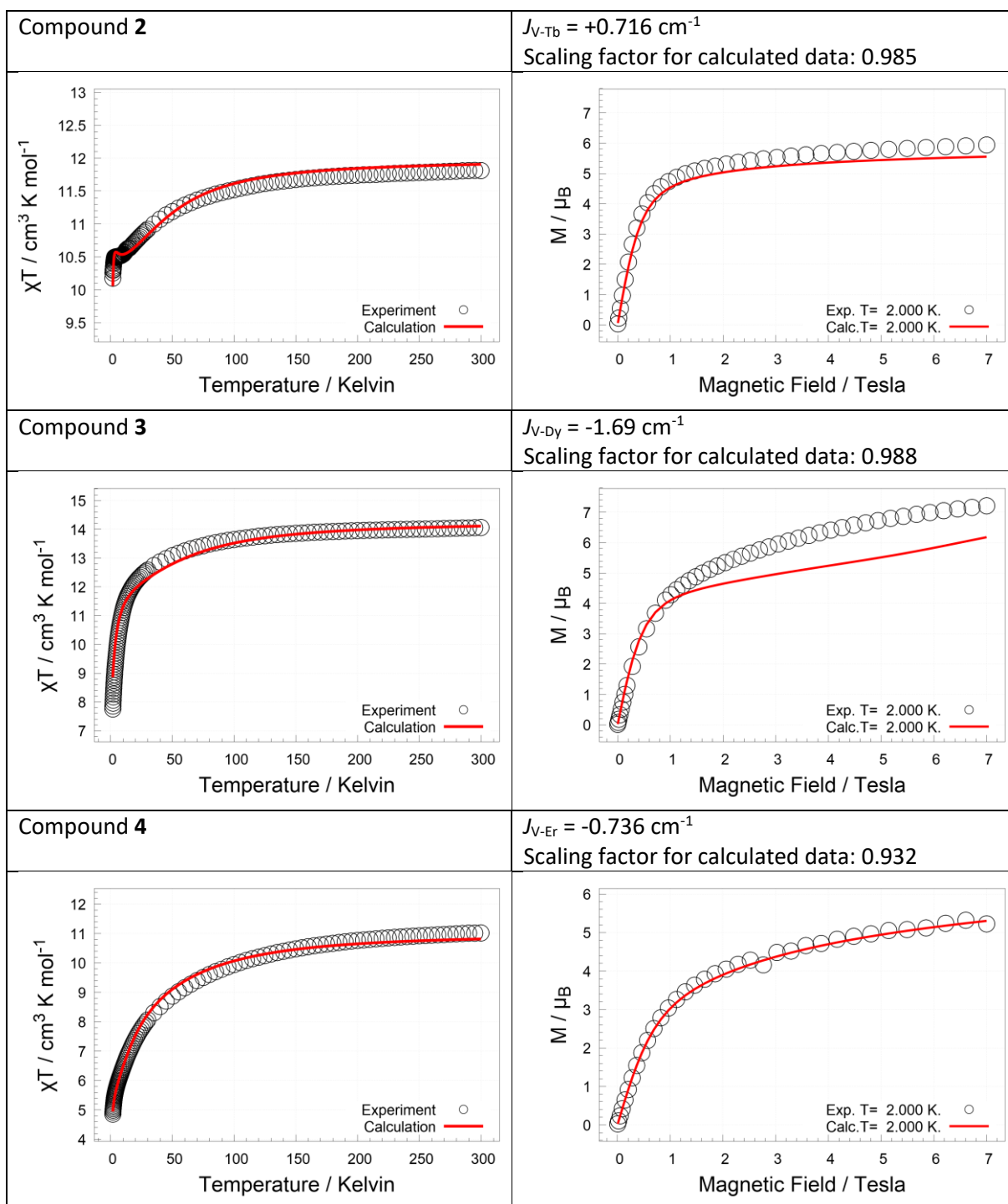
**Fig. S21** The molecular structure of **2** derived from the experimental X-ray geometry used for CASSCF calculations overlaid with principal axes of g-tensors of the first Kramers doublet (x/y/z-axes colored as red/green/blue arrows) of  $V^{IV}$  and  $Tb^{III}$ . The molecular g-tensor axes of the ground state resulting from POLY\_ANISO are located in the midpoint of metal atoms and are plotted with longer arrows.



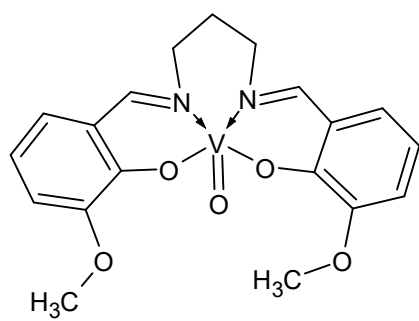
**Fig. S22** The molecular structure of **3** derived from the experimental X-ray geometry used for CASSCF calculations overlaid with principal axis of g-tensors of the first Kramers doublet (x/y/z-axes colored as red/green/blue arrows) of V<sup>IV</sup> and Dy<sup>III</sup>. The molecular g-tensor axes of the ground state resulting from POLY\_ANISO are located in the midpoint of metal atoms and are plotted with longer arrows.



**Fig. S23** The molecular structure of **4** derived from the experimental X-ray geometry used for CASSCF calculations overlaid with principal axis of g-tensors of the first Kramers doublet (x/y/z-axes colored as red/green/blue arrows) of V<sup>IV</sup> and Er<sup>III</sup>. The molecular g-tensor axes of the ground state resulting from POLY\_ANISO are located in the midpoint of metal atoms and are plotted with longer arrows.



**Fig. S24** The best-fits of experimental magnetic data (temperature dependence of mean susceptibility measured at  $B = 0.2 \text{ T}$  and the isothermal molar magnetization measured at  $T = 2 \text{ K}$ ) of 2-5 utilizing POLY\_ANISO module.



**Scheme 1:** Expected structure of intermediate product [(VO)L]



Additional literature:

- <sup>1</sup> Y.-A. Liu, C.-Y. Wang, M. Zhang and X.-Q. Song, *Polyhedron*, 2017, **127**, 278–286.
- <sup>2</sup> H.-R. Wen, J. Bao, S.-J. Liu, C.-M. Liu, C.-W. Zhang and Y.-Z. Tang, *Dalt. Trans.*, 2015, **44**, 11191–11201.
- <sup>3</sup> P. Zhang, L. Zhang, S.-Y. Lin and J. Tang, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2013, **52**, 6595–6602.
- <sup>4</sup> L. Xu, Q. Zhang, G. Hou, P. Chen, G. Li, D. M. Pajeroski and C. L. Dennis, *Polyhedron*, 2013, **52**, 91–95.
- <sup>5</sup> Y. Sui, D.-S. Liu, R.-H. Hu and J.-G. Huang, *Inorganica Chim. Acta*, 2013, **395**, 225–229.
- <sup>6</sup> J.-P. Costes, B. Donnadieu, R. Gheorghe, G. Novitchi, J.-P. Tuchagues and L. Vendier, *Eur. J. Inorg. Chem.*, 2008, **2008**, 5235–5244.
- <sup>7</sup> J.-P. Costes, M. Auchel, F. Dahan, V. Peyrou, S. Shova and W. Wernsdorfer, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2006, **45**, 1924–1934.
- <sup>8</sup> R. Koner, G.-H. Lee, Y. Wang, H.-H. Wei and S. Mohanta, *Eur. J. Inorg. Chem.*, 2005, **2005**, 1500–1505.
- <sup>9</sup> R. Koner, H.-H. Lin, H.-H. Wei and S. Mohanta, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2005, **44**, 3524–3536.
- <sup>10</sup> O. Margeat, P. G. Lacroix, J. P. Costes, B. Donnadieu, C. Lepetit and K. Nakatani, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2004, **43**, 4743–4750.
- <sup>11</sup> G. Novitchi, S. Shova, A. Caneschi, J.-P. Costes, M. Gdaniec and N. Stanica, *Dalt. Trans.*, 2004, 1194–1200.
- <sup>12</sup> H. Kara, Y. Elerman and K. Prout, *Zeitschrift für Naturforsch. B*, 2000, **55**, 1131–1136.
- <sup>13</sup> J.-P. Costes, F. Dahan and A. Dupuis, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2000, **39**, 165–168.
- <sup>14</sup> M. Sakamoto, M. Hashimura, K. Matsuki, N. Matsumoto, K. Inoue and H. Okawa, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn.*, 1991, **64**, 3639–3641.
- <sup>15</sup> T. Ishida, R. Watanabe, K. Fujiwara, A. Okazawa, N. Kojima, G. Tanaka, S. Yoshii and H. Nojiri, *Dalt. Trans.*, 2012, **41**, 13609.
- <sup>16</sup> L. M. Lilley, K. Du, M. D. Krzyaniak, G. Parigi, C. Luchinat, T. D. Harris and T. J. Meade, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2018, **57**, 5810–5819.
- <sup>17</sup> M. Towatari, K. Nishi, T. Fujinami, N. Matsumoto, Y. Sunatsuki, M. Kojima, N. Mochida, T. Ishida, N. Re and J. Mrozinski, *Inorg. Chem.*, 2013, **52**, 6160–6178.
- <sup>18</sup> T. Kajiwara, M. Nakano, K. Takahashi, S. Takaishi and M. Yamashita, *Chem. - A Eur. J.*, 2011, **17**, 196–205.
- <sup>19</sup> G. Novitchi, J.-P. Costes and B. Donnadieu, *Eur. J. Inorg. Chem.*, 2004, **2004**, 1808–1812.
- <sup>20</sup> F. Z. Chiboub Fellah, S. Boulefred, A. Chiboub Fellah, B. El Rez, C. Duhayon and J.-P. Sutter, *Inorganica Chim. Acta*, 2016, **439**, 24–29.