

Supporting Information

Coordination anion effects on the geometry and magnetic interaction of binuclear Dy₂ single-molecule magnets

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Table S1. Crystallographic data for complexes **1** and **2**.

Compound	1	2
Formula	C ₇₆ H ₇₄ Dy ₂ N ₁₂ O ₆ S ₂	C ₇₄ H ₇₄ Dy ₂ N ₁₂ O ₁₄
Mr	1640.59	1680.45
Temperature/K	173.0	173.0
Crystal system	Triclinic	Monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$	<i>P</i> 2 ₁ / <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	11.6924(4)	14.6039(9)
<i>b</i> /Å	12.8898(4)	15.8167(9)
<i>c</i> /Å	13.8753(4)	16.5425(10)
α /°	96.547(1)	90
β /°	100.241(1)	107.585(2)
γ /°	113.931(1)	90
Volume/Å ³	1840.2(5)	3642.5(4)
<i>Z</i>	1	2
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g}\cdot\text{cm}^{-3}$	1.480	1.532
<i>F</i> (000)	826.0	1692.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.12×0.24×0.25	0.6×0.4×0.2
Reflns collected	20505	74904
<i>R</i> _{int}	0.0563	0.0485
GOF on <i>F</i> ²	1.072	1.151
* <i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ [<i>I</i> > = 2σ(<i>I</i>)]	0.0552, 0.1539	0.0227, 0.0521
* <i>R</i> ₁ , <i>wR</i> ₂ [all data]	0.0597, 0.1595	0.0284, 0.0561
CCDC	2088272	2088273

**R*₁ = $\sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$ for *F*_o > 2s(*F*_o); *wR*₂ = $(\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum (wF_c^2)^2)^{1/2}$ all reflections, *w* = $1/[s^2(F_o^2) + (0.1557P)^2]$ where *P* = $(F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

Table S2. Selected bond distances (Å), angles (°) for complexes **1** and **2**.

	Compound	
	1	2
Dy(1)–O(1)	2.286(3)	2.289(0)
Dy(1)–O(1a)	2.345(1)	2.301(6)
Dy(1)–O(2)	2.187(7)	2.219(6)
Dy(1)–O(3)	2.214(0)	2.212(5)
Dy(1)–O _{nitrate}		2.212(5)
		2.668(8)
Dy(1)–N(1)	2.623(0)	2.546(0)
Dy(1)–N(2)	2.529(7)	2.730(7)
Dy(1)–N _{thiocyanate}	2.425(6)	
Dy···Dy	3.7441(6)	3.7522(5)
Dy(1)–O(1)–Dy(1a)	107.8(7)	109.6(4)
Dy–O _{average}	2.258(0)	2.353(5)
Dy–N _{average}	2.525(6)	2.638(0)

Table S3. Lanthanide geometry analysis by SHAPE software for **1** and **2**.

Central atom	Coordination Polyhedron	CShM Values
1 Dy1	Hexagonal pyramid (HPY-7, C _{6v})	18.645
	Pentagonal bipyramid (PBPY-7, D _{5h})	6.918
	Capped octahedron (COC-7, C_{3v})	0.935
	Capped trigonal prism (CTPR-7, C _{2v})	1,247
	Johnson pentagonal bipyramid J13 (JPBPY, D _{5h})	9.275
2 Dy1	Hexagonal bipyramid (HBPY-8, D _{6h})	14.052
	Cube (CU-8, Oh)	9.788
	Square antiprism (SAPR-8, D _{4d})	3.368
	Triangular dodecahedron (TDD-8, D_{2d})	2.752
	Johnson gyrobifastigium J26 (JGBF-8, D _{2d})	13.062

Table S4. Computed energy levels (the ground state is set at zero), composition of the g -tensor (g_x, g_y, g_z) and the main components ($>10\%$) of the wavefunction for each m_j state of the ground-state multiplet ${}^6H_{15/2}$ of individual Dy^{III} center for **1**.

KD	Energy (cm^{-1})	g			Wavefunction
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.8	98.1% $ \pm 15/2\rangle$
2	249.0	0.1	0.1	16.7	92.9% $ \pm 13/2\rangle$
3	404.8	1.0	1.6	12.6	68.1% $ \pm 11/2\rangle$ + 14.7% $ \pm 5/2\rangle$ + 10.7% $ \pm 7/2\rangle$
4	461.4	9.2	7.2	2.8	45.1% $ \pm 3/2\rangle$ + 22.4% $ \pm 1/2\rangle$ + 15.1% $ \pm 9/2\rangle$
5	508.5	2.3	4.4	11.3	26.8% $ \pm 7/2\rangle$ + 19.8% $ \pm 9/2\rangle$ + 19.7% $ \pm 1/2\rangle$ + 14.8% $ \pm 11/2\rangle$ + 14.7% $ \pm 5/2\rangle$
6	530.3	3.0	5.6	9.1	37.6% $ \pm 9/2\rangle$ + 26.5% $ \pm 5/2\rangle$ + 15.0% $ \pm 1/2\rangle$
7	566.3	1.5	3.6	12.6	32.7% $ \pm 7/2\rangle$ + 22.7% $ \pm 1/2\rangle$ + 19.4% $ \pm 3/2\rangle$ + 16.5% $ \pm 9/2\rangle$
8	726.5	0.0	0.0	19.3	31.1% $ \pm 5/2\rangle$ + 25.7% $ \pm 3/2\rangle$ + 20.4% $ \pm 7/2\rangle$ + 16.3% $ \pm 1/2\rangle$

Table S5. Computed energy levels (the ground state is set at zero), composition of the g -tensor (g_x, g_y, g_z) and the main components ($> 10\%$) of the wavefunction for each m_j state of the ground-state multiplet ${}^6H_{15/2}$ of individual Dy^{III} center for **2**.

KD	Energy (cm^{-1})	g			Wavefunction
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	19.7	97.3 $\pm 15/2\rangle$
2	172.5	0.3	0.8	15.0	72.2 $\pm 13/2\rangle$
3	238.1	0.8	1.8	11.1	39.3 $\pm 11/2\rangle$ + 19.6 $\pm 3/2\rangle$ + 11.8 $\pm 7/2\rangle$ + 10.9 $\pm 1/2\rangle$
4	293.4	1.9	4.0	11.0	27.0 $\pm 9/2\rangle$ + 19.6 $\pm 7/2\rangle$ + 17.0 $\pm 5/2\rangle$ + 11.5 $\pm 1/2\rangle$ + 10.8 $\pm 11/2\rangle$
5	330.9	2.5	6.2	11.7	30.0 $\pm 1/2\rangle$ + 20.2 $\pm 3/2\rangle$ + 15.3 $\pm 5/2\rangle$ + 14.6 $\pm 11/2\rangle$
6	430.1	0.2	1.2	15.3	20.4 $\pm 9/2\rangle$ + 18.6 $\pm 11/2\rangle$ + 18.2 $\pm 3/2\rangle$ + 12.5 $\pm 7/2\rangle$ + 12.5 $\pm 5/2\rangle$ + 12.5 $\pm 1/2\rangle$
7	525.6	0.7	1.2	15.4	24.5 $\pm 1/2\rangle$ + 24.0 $\pm 7/2\rangle$ + 17.9 $\pm 9/2\rangle$ + 11.0 $\pm 5/2\rangle$ + 10.5 $\pm 3/2\rangle$ + 10.3 $\pm 11/2\rangle$
8	558.8	0.4	2.0	17.0	29.5 $\pm 5/2\rangle$ + 22.3 $\pm 3/2\rangle$ + 20.0 $\pm 7/2\rangle$ + 14.1 $\pm 9/2\rangle$

Table S6. Computed exchange energy levels (the ground state is set at zero), composition of the g -tensor (g_x, g_y, g_z) and tunnelling splitting value for **1**.

Energy (cm ⁻¹)	g			Tunneling splitting (cm ⁻¹)
0.00	0.0	0.0	39.5	7.6×10^{-9}
0.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	3.31×10^{-8}

Table S7. Computed exchange energy levels (the ground state is set at zero), composition of the g -tensor (g_x, g_y, g_z) and tunnelling splitting value for **2**.

Energy (cm ⁻¹)	g			Tunneling splitting (cm ⁻¹)
0.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.46×10^{-6}
2.83	0.0	0.0	39.3	4.01×10^{-6}

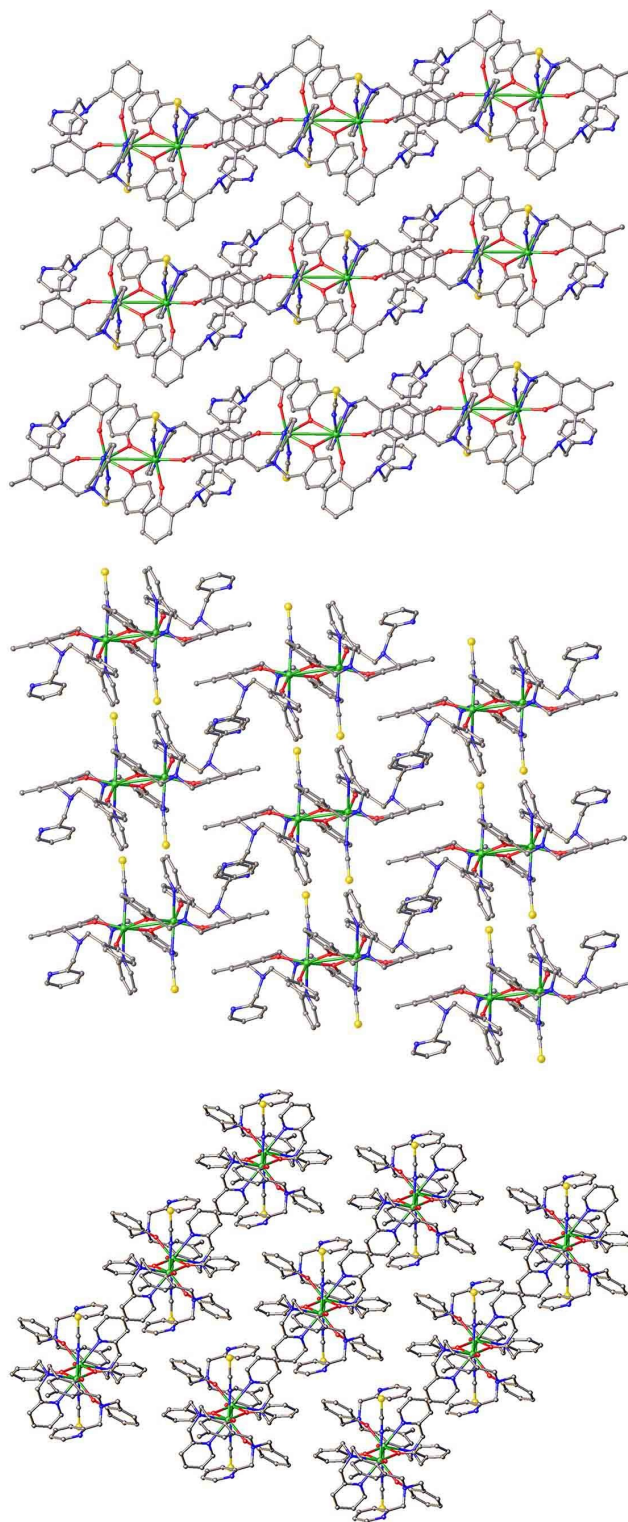


Figure S1. Packing arrangement along the crystallographic *a* (top), *b* (middle) and *c* (bottom) axis for **1**. Color code: purple, Dy; red, O; blue, N; gray, C; yellow, S.

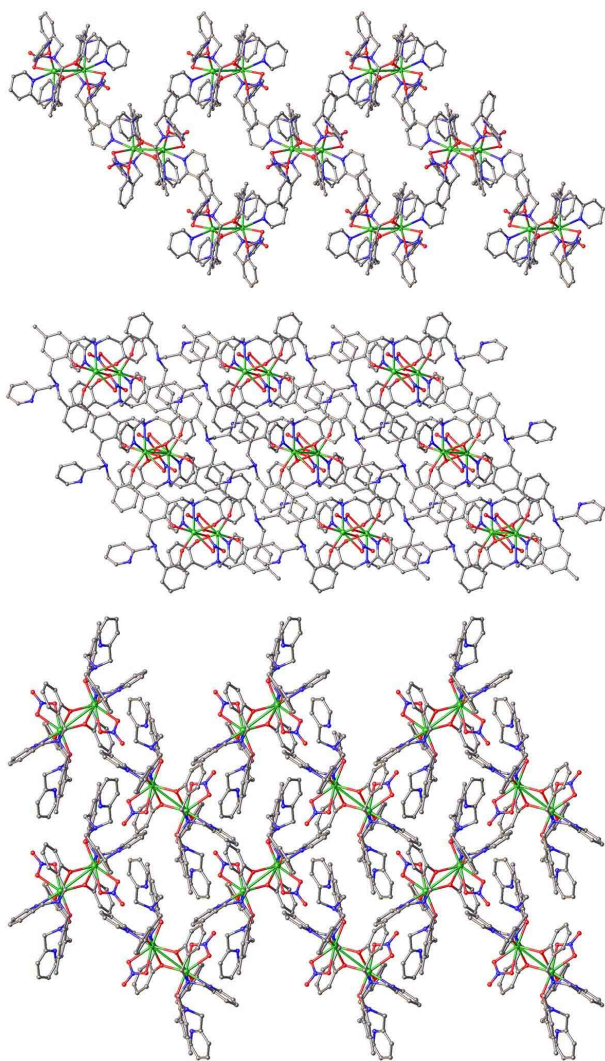


Figure S2. Packing arrangement along the crystallographic a (top), b (middle) and c (bottom) axis for **2**. Color code: purple, Dy; red, O; blue, N; gray, C.

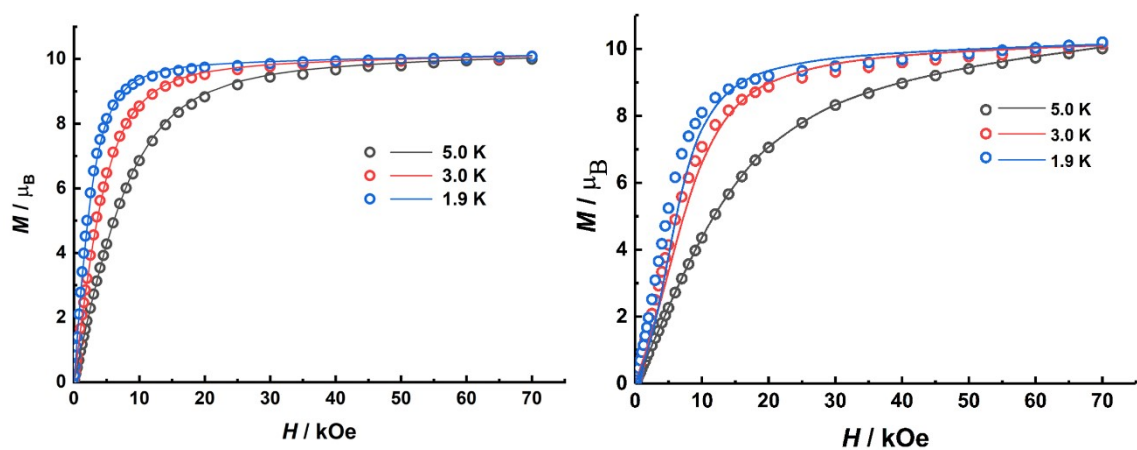


Figure S3. Field dependences of magnetization in the field range 0–70 kOe and at the range of 1.9–5.0 K for **1** (left) and **2** (right). Experimental values as empty dots while calculated curves are represented as full lines.

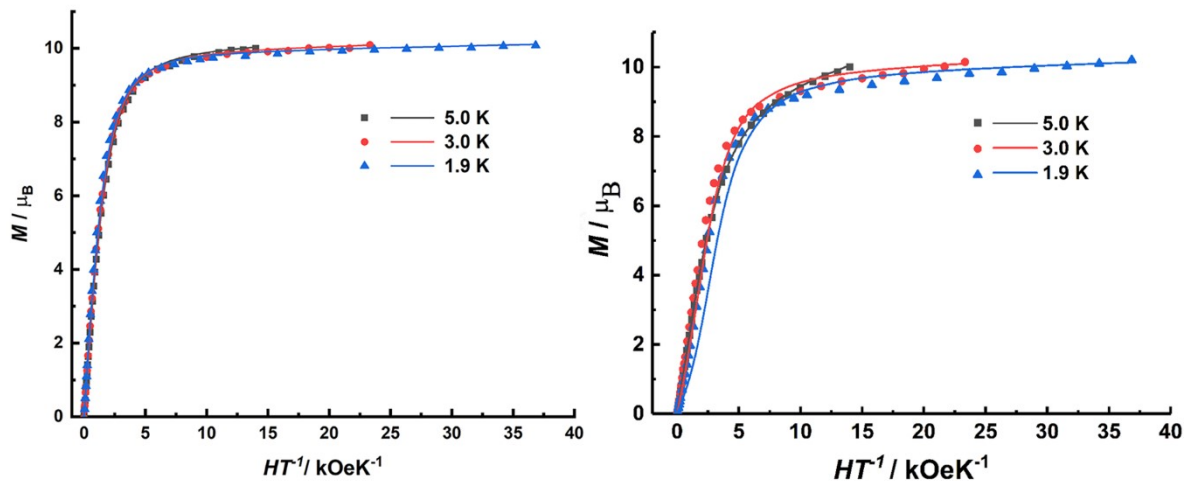


Figure S4. Plots of the reduced magnetization M versus H/T for **1** (left) and **2** (right). Experimental values as symbols while calculated curves are represented as full lines.

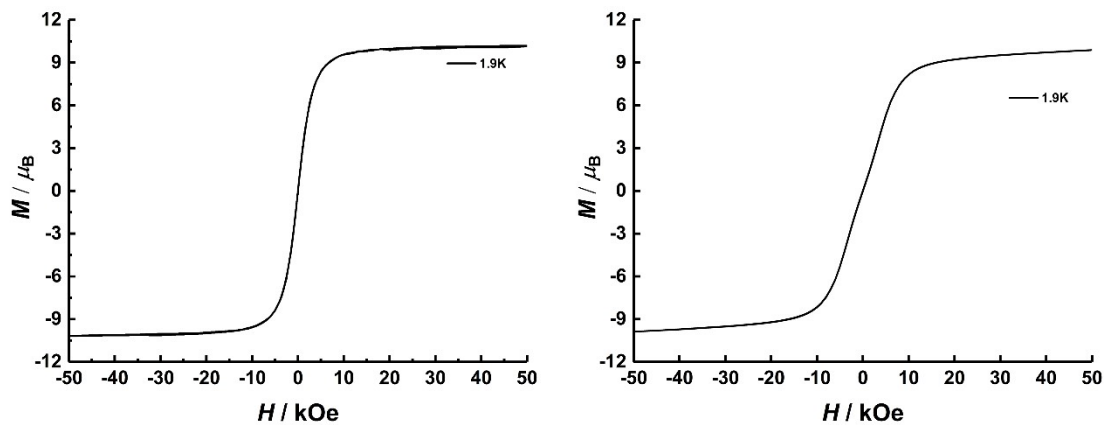


Figure S5. Variable magnetic field magnetization measurement for **1** (left) and **2** (right) at 1.9 K with an averaged sweep rate of 27 Oe/s.

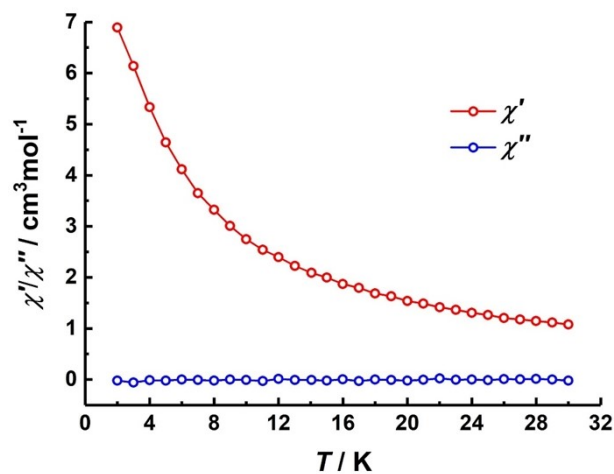


Figure S6. Temperature dependence under zero dc field of the in-phase (red) and the out-of-phase (blue) ac susceptibility component at 997 Hz for **2**.

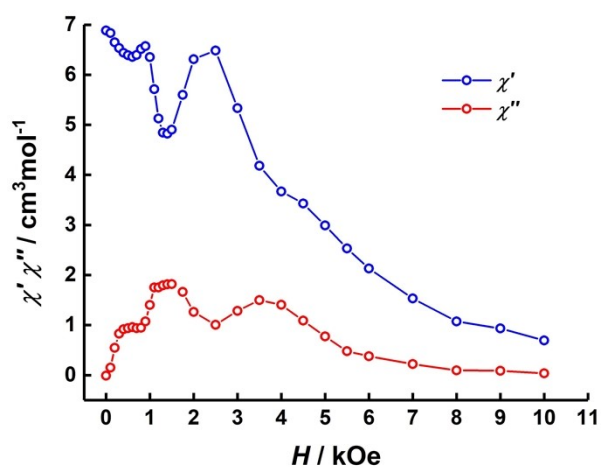


Figure S7. Field dependence of the in-phase (red) and the in-phase (blue) ac susceptibility component at 1.9 K and 997 Hz for **2**.

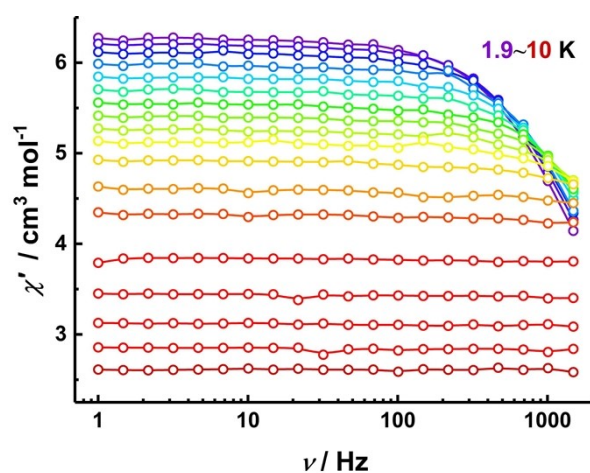


Figure S8. Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase ac susceptibility component under a 1100 Oe applied dc field for **2**.

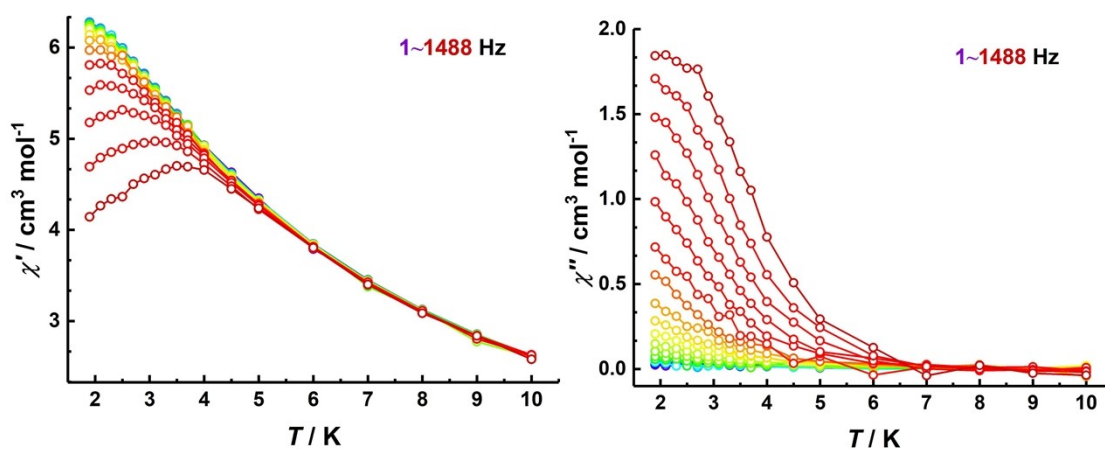


Figure S9. Frequency dependence of the in-phase (left) and out-of-phase (right) ac susceptibility component under a 1100 Oe applied dc field for **2**.

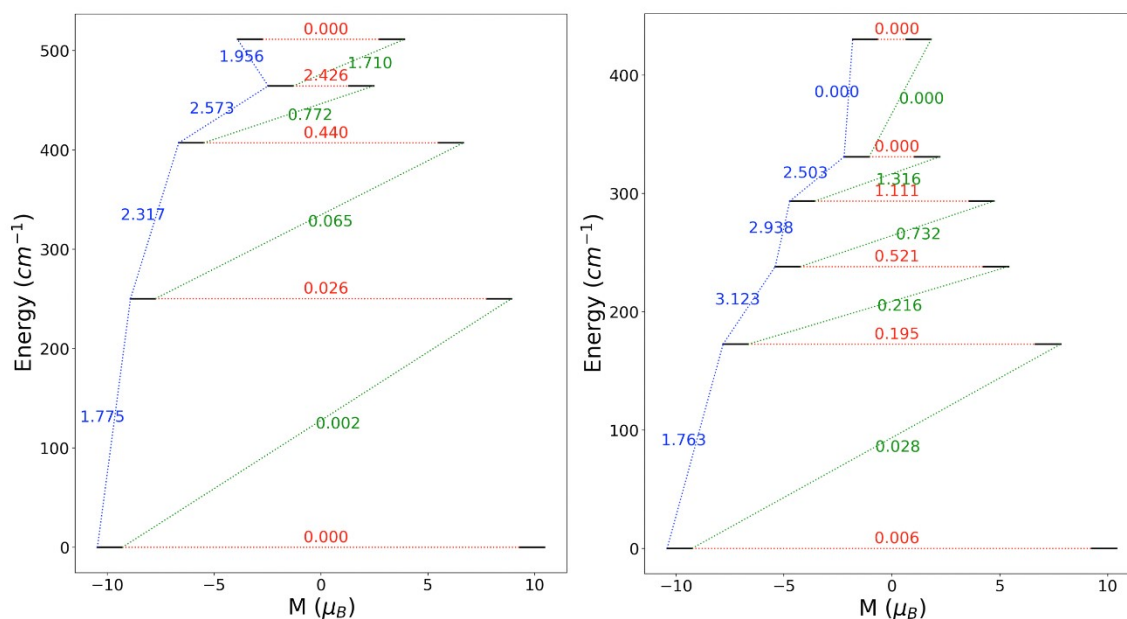


Figure S10. Energies (in cm^{-1}) and projected μ_Z (in μ_B) values along the ground magnetic axis for individual Dy^{III} in complexes **1** (left) and **2** (right). Black lines represent the eight Kramer doublets of individual Dy^{III} . The values of the magnetic (i.e. isotropic Zeeman) transition moments between the states are given for comparison. The values in red correspond to QTM (for the GS) and TA-QTM (for the ESs) mechanisms of the magnetization relaxation, whereas blue and green values correspond to Orbach mechanisms.

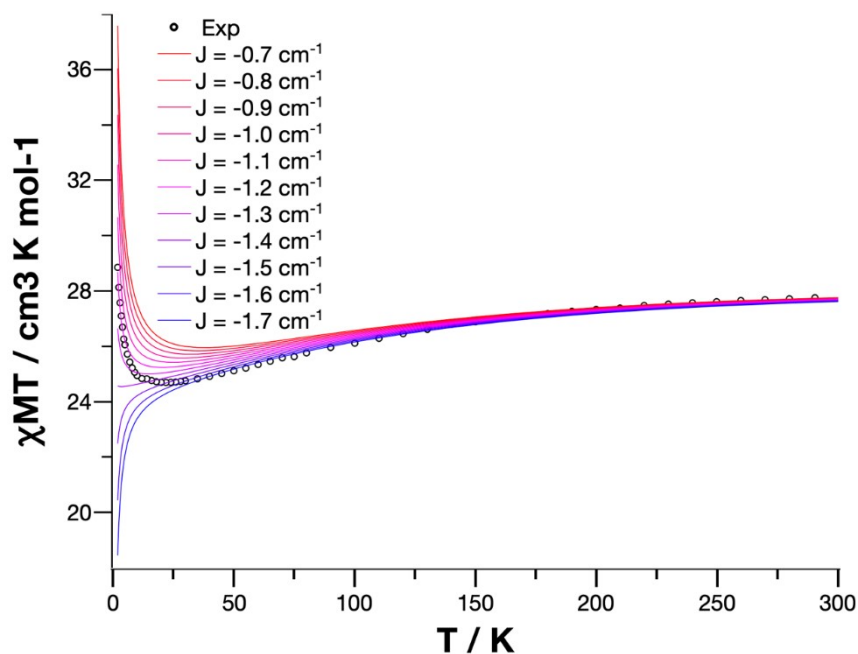


Figure S11. Temperature dependent $\chi_M T$ values for **1** in dots with the calculated curves in full lines for a screening of the J_{exch} value from -0.7 cm^{-1} to -1.7 cm^{-1} .

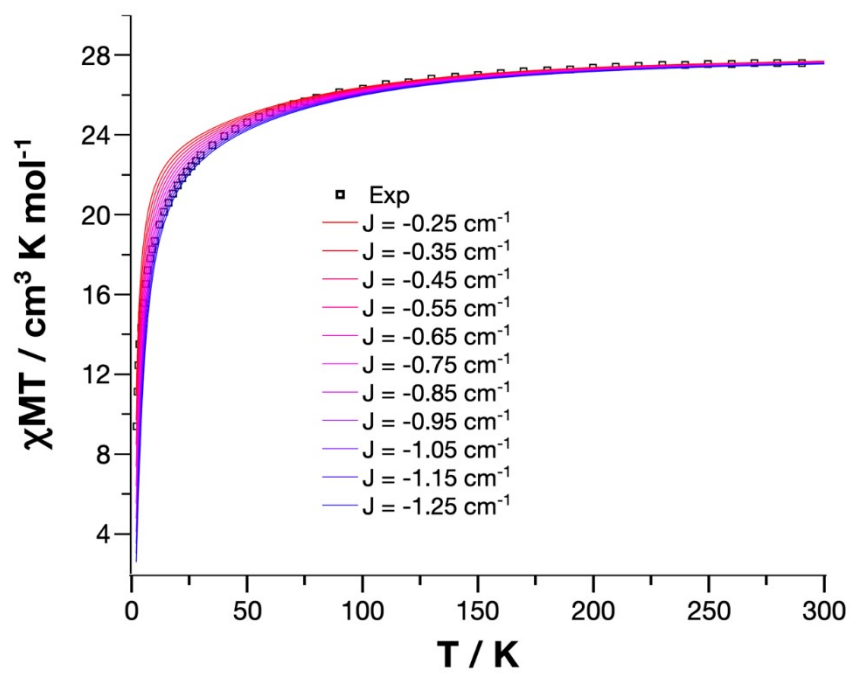


Figure S12. Temperature dependent $\chi_{\text{M}}T$ values for **2** in squares with the calculated curves in full lines for a screening of the J_{exch} value from -0.25 cm^{-1} to -1.25 cm^{-1} .