

Supporting Information for

## Highly luminescent mixed-ligand bimetallic lanthanoid(III) complexes for photovoltaic applications†

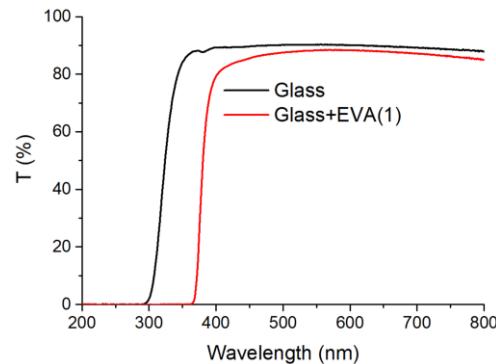
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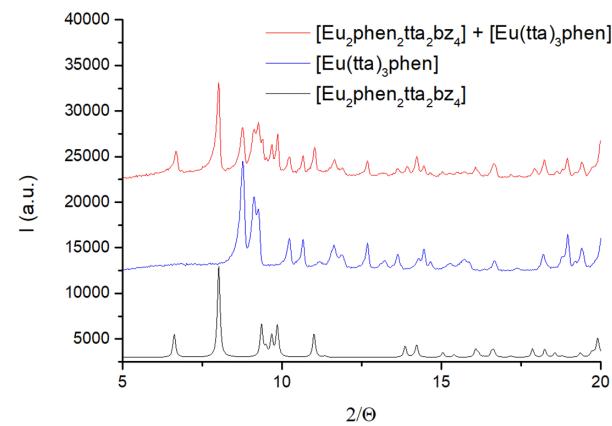
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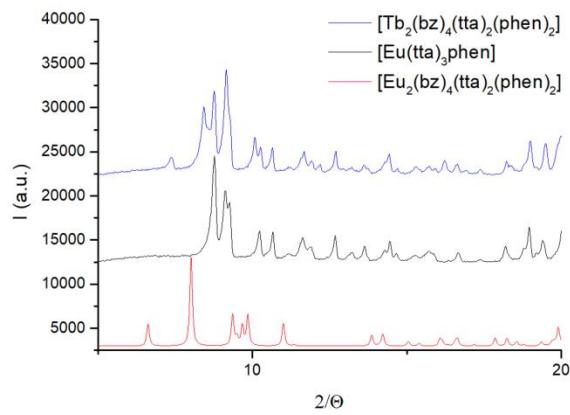
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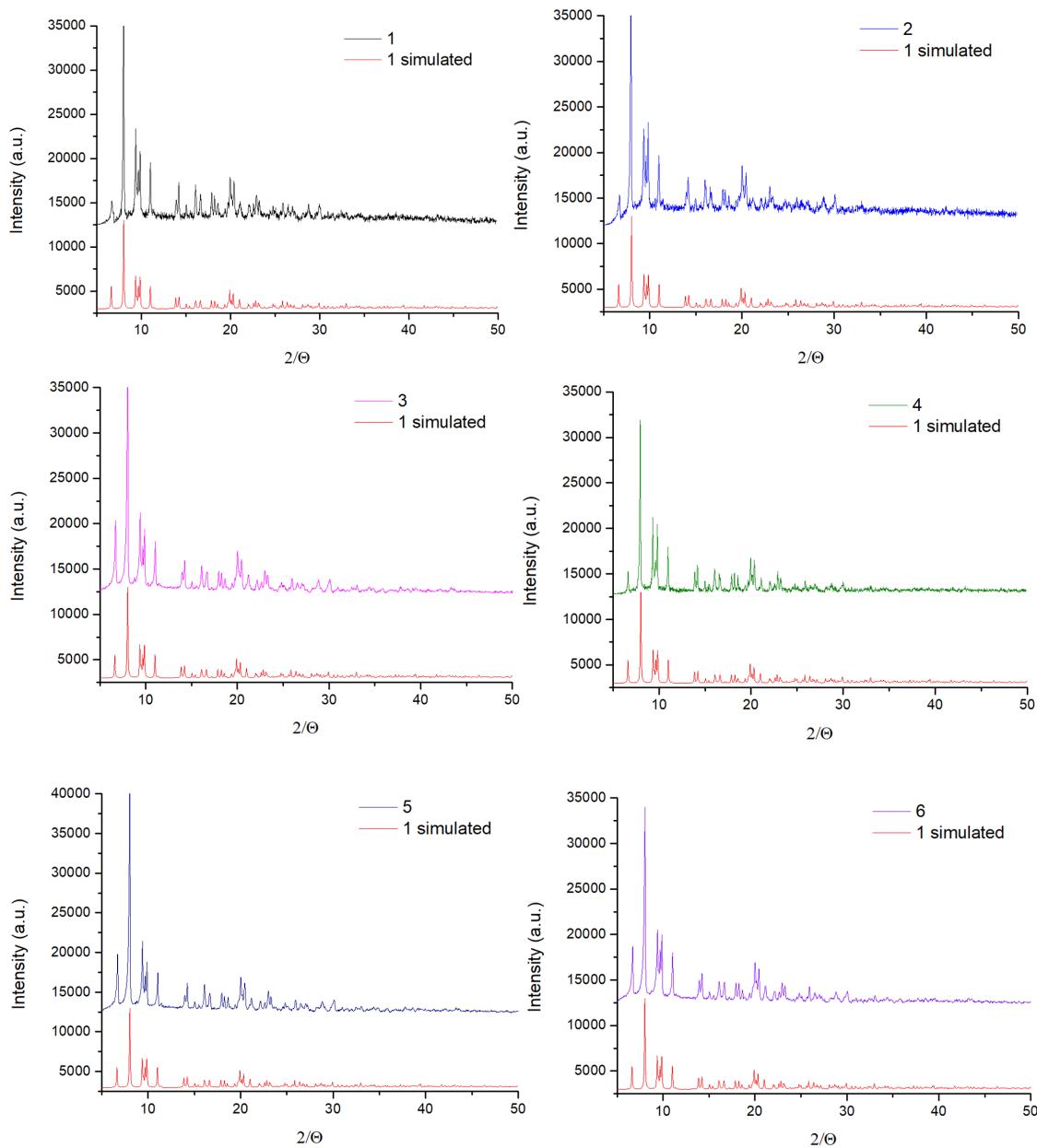
**Fig. S1.** Transmittance of the glass and glass covered with the down-shifting layer

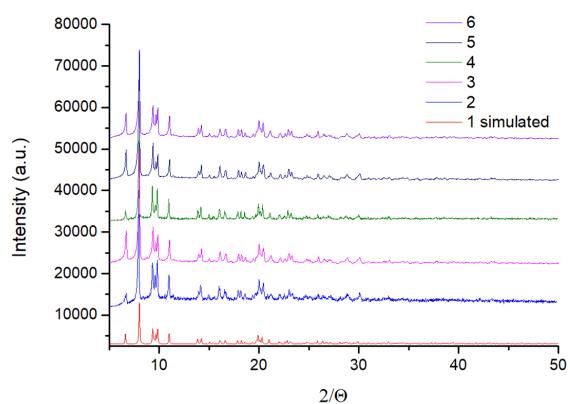


**Fig. S2.** Powder diffractogram of the crude product of the synthesis of **1** compared with that of  $[\text{Eu}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$  and  $[\text{Eu}(\text{tta})_3(\text{phen})]$

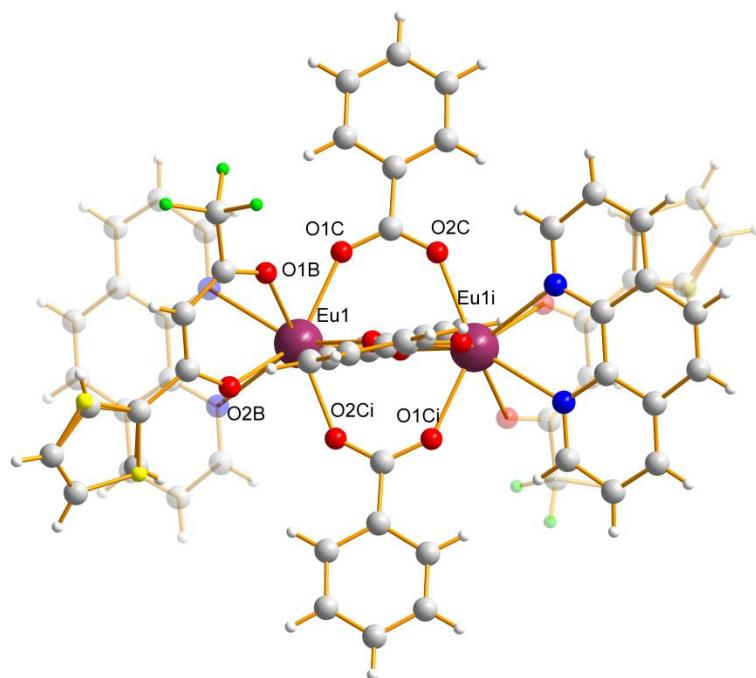


**Fig. S3.** Powder diffractogram of the crude product of the synthesis of the  $\text{Tb}_2$  compound compared with that of  $[\text{Eu}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$  and  $[\text{Eu}(\text{tta})_3(\text{phen})]$ .

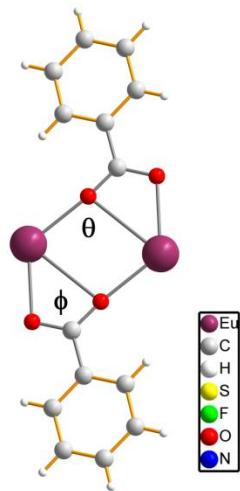




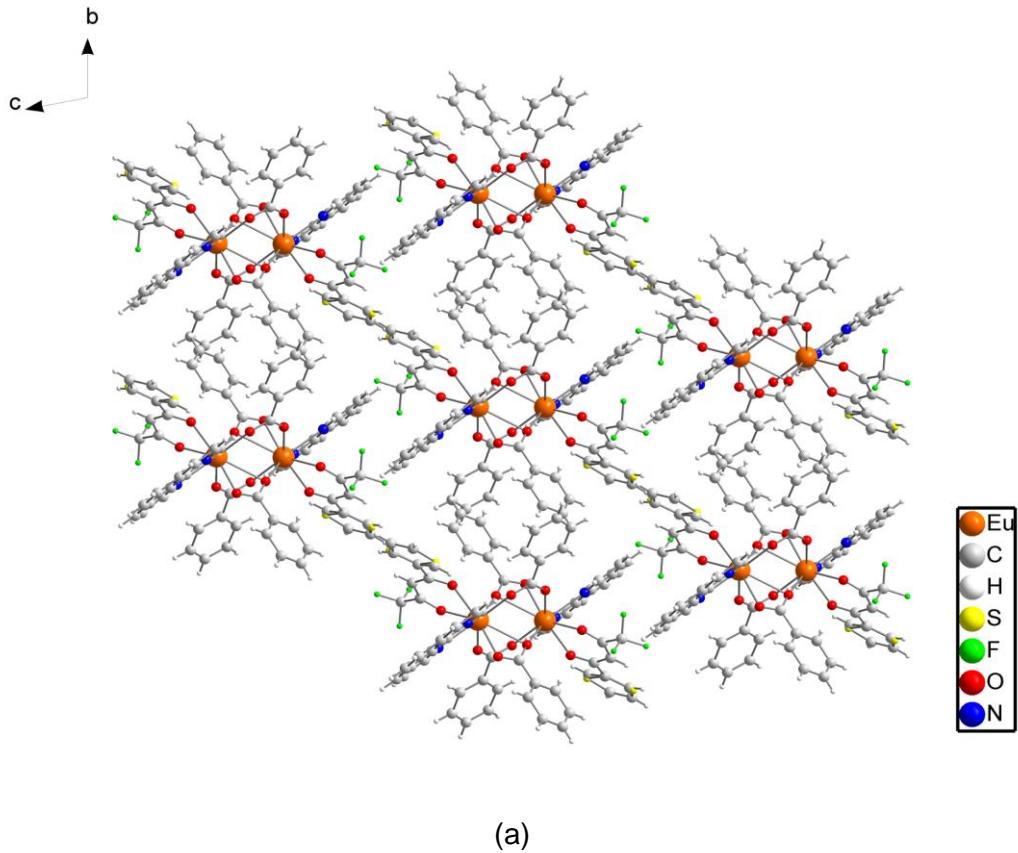
**Fig. S4.** Experimental powder diffractograms of **1-6** compared with the simulation of **1**.

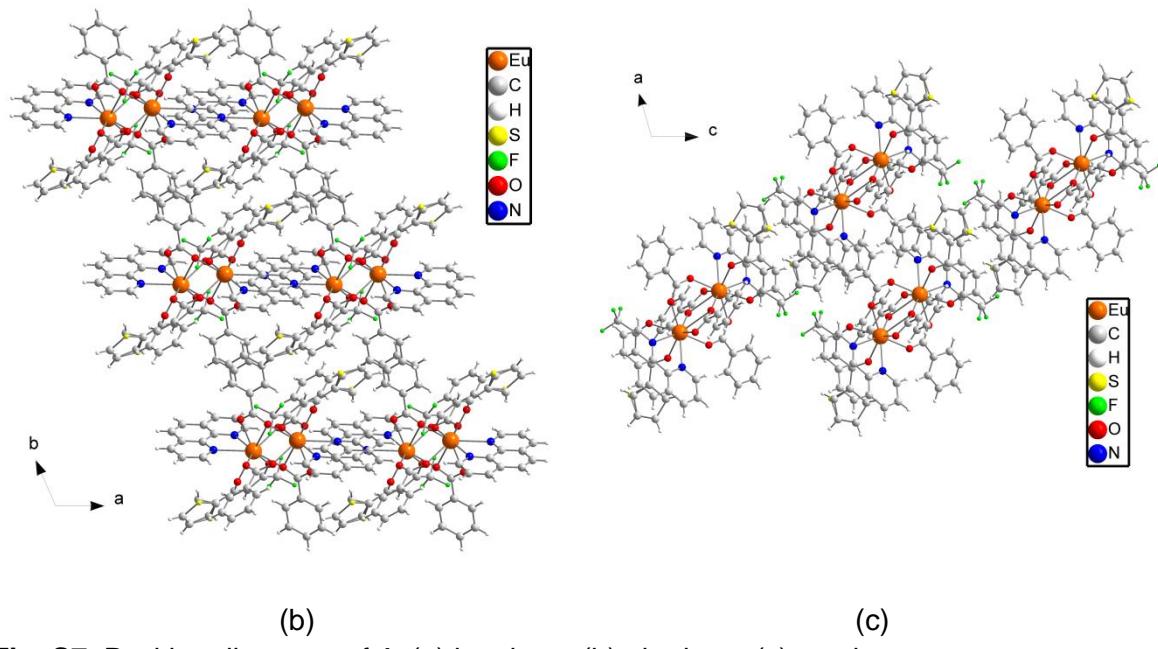


**Fig. S5.** Structure of **1** with backside atoms attenuated. (i)  $-x, -y+1, -z+1$ .

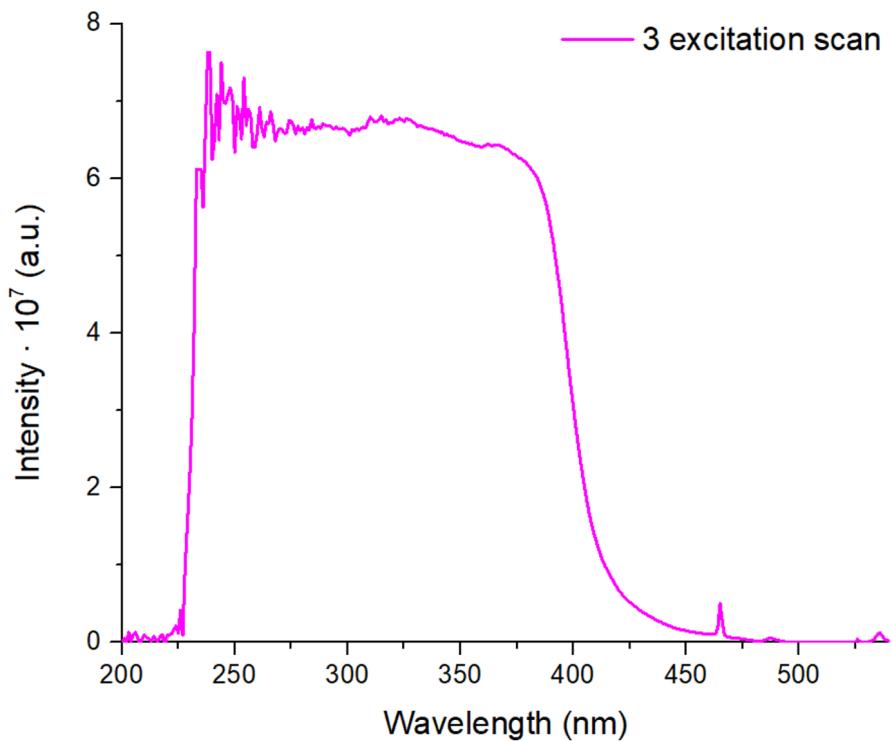


**Fig. S6.** The Eu-O-Eu and the Eu-O-C angles in the  $\mu\text{-O:}\kappa^2\text{O},\text{O}'$  bridges are designed as  $\theta$  and  $\phi$  parameters.

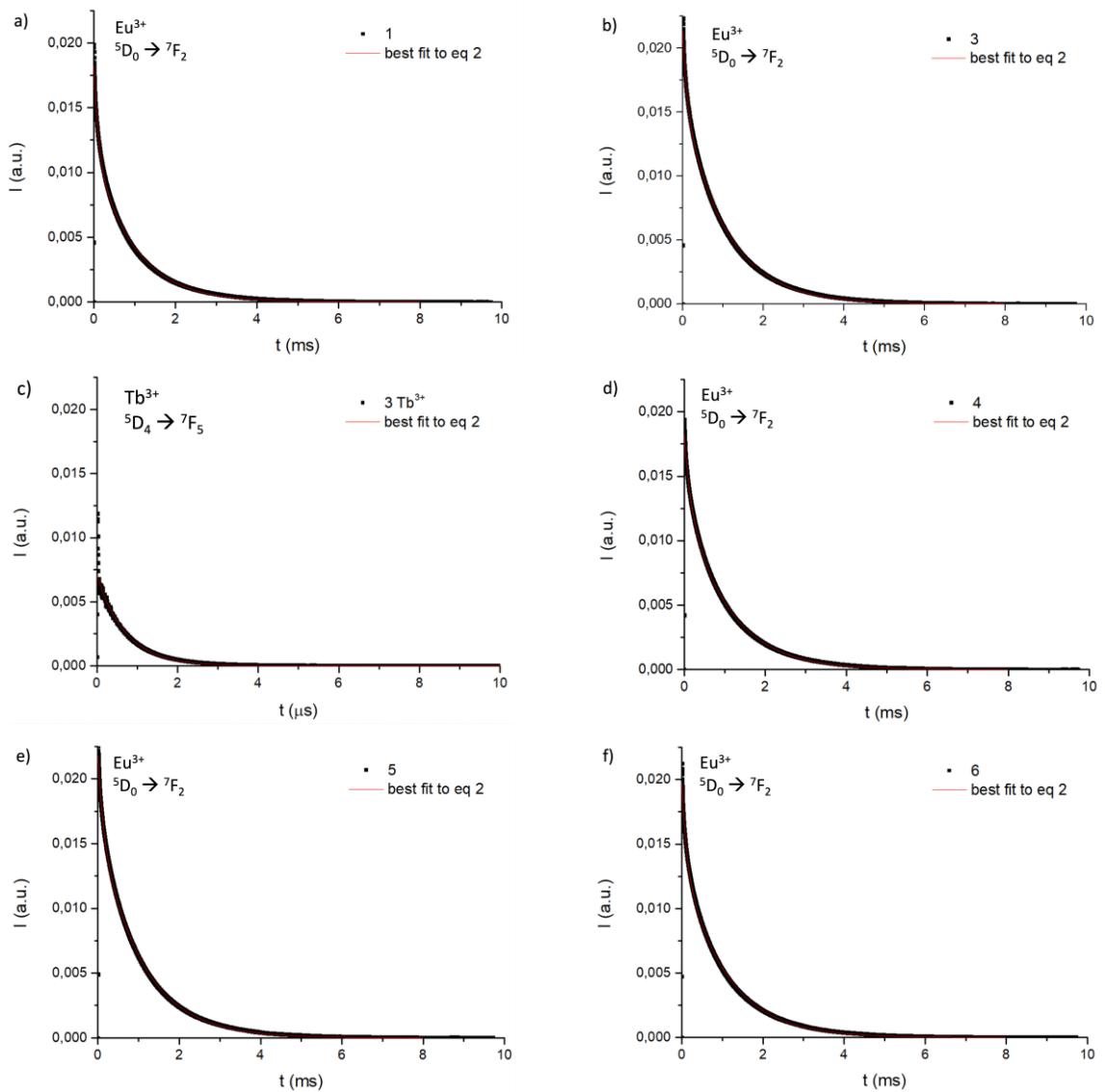




**Fig. S7.** Packing diagrams of **1**: (a) bc plane, (b) ab plane, (c) ac plane.



**Fig. S8.** Excitation spectrum of compound **3**



**Fig. S9.** Decay curves and best fits to equation 2 for all the compounds.

**Table S1.** Total quantities of Ln(III) nitrates in mmol for the synthesis of **1-6** compounds.

	Compound		
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
$\text{Eu}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.250	0	0.125
$\text{Gd}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0	0.250	0
$\text{Tb}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0	0	0.125
Total Ln(III)	0.250	0.250	0.250
$f_{\text{Eu}}$	1	0	0.5
$f_{\text{Gd}}$	0	1	0
$f_{\text{Tb}}$	0	0	0.5
Formula	$[\text{Eu}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$[\text{Gd}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$[\text{EuTb}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$
Composition	$[\text{Eu}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$[\text{Gd}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$[\text{EuTb}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$

	Compound		
	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
$\text{Eu}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.125	0.150	0.200
$\text{Gd}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0.125	0.100	0.050
$\text{Tb}(\text{NO}_3)_3 \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	0	0	0
Total Ln(III)	0.250	0.250	0.250
$f_{\text{Eu}}$	0.5	0.6	0.8
$f_{\text{Gd}}$	0.5	0.4	0.2
$f_{\text{Tb}}$	0	0	0
Formula	$[\text{EuGd}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$[\text{Eu}_{1,2}\text{Gd}_{0,8}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$[\text{Eu}_{1,6}\text{Gd}_{0,4}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$
Composition	$[\text{EuGd}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$0.6 [\text{Eu}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$ $0.4 [\text{EuGd}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$	$0.8 [\text{Eu}_2(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$ $0.2 [\text{EuGd}(\text{bz})_4(\text{tta})_2(\text{phen})_2]$

$f_{\text{Eu}}$ ;  $f_{\text{Gd}}$ ;  $f_{\text{Tb}}$ , molar fractions of the metal ions in compounds **1-6**.

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

Distances (Å)			
Eu1—O1D	2.341 (3)	Eu1—O1B	2.453 (3)
Eu1—O2C <sup>i</sup>	2.353 (3)	Eu1—N1A	2.605 (4)
Eu1—O1C	2.378 (3)	Eu1—N2A	2.657 (4)
Eu1—O2B	2.403 (3)	Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	2.860 (4)
Eu1—O2D <sup>i</sup>	2.423 (3)	Eu1···Eu1i	4.0518(3)
Angles (°)			
O1D—Eu1—O2C <sup>i</sup>	73.61 (12)	O2B—Eu1—N2A	65.94 (12)
O1D—Eu1—O1C	79.53 (13)	O2D <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—N2A	66.96 (12)
O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O1C	133.20 (11)	O1B—Eu1—N2A	117.24 (12)
O1D—Eu1—O2B	93.72 (13)	N1A—Eu1—N2A	62.29 (13)
O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O2B	79.49 (13)	O1D—Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	78.10 (12)
O1C—Eu1—O2B	140.59 (12)	O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	71.77 (11)
O1D—Eu1—O2D <sup>i</sup>	125.98 (13)	O1C—Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	65.58 (11)
O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O2D <sup>i</sup>	87.87 (14)	O2B—Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	151.26 (12)
O1C—Eu1—O2D <sup>i</sup>	77.78 (13)	O2D <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	47.88 (11)
O2B—Eu1—O2D <sup>i</sup>	132.83 (12)	O1B—Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	132.34 (11)
O1D—Eu1—O1B	74.93 (12)	N1A—Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	117.56 (11)
O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O1B	133.58 (13)	N2A—Eu1—O1D <sup>i</sup>	106.83 (11)
O1C—Eu1—O1B	71.34 (12)	O1D—Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	102.59 (13)
O2B—Eu1—O1B	69.42 (12)	O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	80.20 (13)
O2D <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—O1B	138.50 (14)	O1C—Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	69.08 (12)
O1D—Eu1—N1A	145.18 (13)	O2B—Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	149.10 (12)
O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—N1A	139.32 (12)	O2D <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	23.39 (13)
O1C—Eu1—N1A	79.89 (12)	O1B—Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	140.07 (12)
O2B—Eu1—N1A	84.76 (13)	N1A—Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	95.84 (13)
O2D <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—N1A	75.90 (13)	N2A—Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	86.93 (12)
O1B—Eu1—N1A	72.01 (12)	O1D <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—C1D <sup>i</sup>	24.53 (12)
O1D—Eu1—N2A	146.93 (13)	Eu1—O1D—Eu1 <sup>i</sup>	101.90 (12)
O2C <sup>i</sup> —Eu1—N2A	77.05 (12)		
O1C—Eu1—N2A	132.85 (13)		

Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y+1, -z+1.