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# Semiquantitative studies on the correlations between the electrostatic potential of a single Dy<sup>III</sup> ion and its energy barrier in the containing-Dy<sup>III</sup> single molecule magnets

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#### I. General information from references

**Table S1.** The structural and magnetic parameters for the selected Mn<sup>III</sup>-Dy complexes with SMM behavior.

Complexes	Topologies	Geometries of Dy	Complete profile for χ"	U <sub>eff</sub> (K)	Ref.
$[Mn_{21}DyO_{20}(OH)_2(Bu^tCO_2)_{20}(HCO_2)_4(NO_3)_3(H_2O)_7]$	Not reported	Not reported	yes	74 <sup>a</sup>	<b>S</b> 1
$[Mn_{12}Dy_{6}O_{7}(OH)_{10}(OAc)_{14}(mpea)_{8}] \cdot 20H_{2}O \cdot 4MeOH$	Not reported	Not reported	yes	$\sim 35^{a}$	S2
$TBA_2[Mn_4Dy_2(teaH)_4(N_3)_{12}]$	Not reported	MSAP	yes	~44 <sup>a</sup>	S3
[Mn <sub>5</sub> Dy <sub>4</sub> (O) <sub>6</sub> (mdea) <sub>2</sub> (mdeaH) <sub>2</sub> (piv) <sub>6</sub> (NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	Not reported	TTP	yes	$\sim \! 39^a$	S4
$[Mn^{III}_{2}Dy^{III}_{2}(\mu_{3}\text{-}OH)_{2}(p\text{-}Me\text{-}PhCO_{2})_{6}(L^{a})_{2}]^{*}$	Butterfly	SCSAP	yes	$\sim \! 19^a$	S5
$[Mn^{III}_2Dy_3(L^bH)_4(NO_3)(HOCH_3)]ClO_4\cdot NO_3$	Open-book	TDDC and SAP	partial	13 <sup>a</sup>	S6
[Mn <sub>26</sub> Dy <sub>6</sub> O <sub>16</sub> (OH) <sub>12</sub> (O <sub>2</sub> CCHMe <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>42</sub> ]	Not reported	TDDC and MSAP	not reported	46 <sup>a</sup>	<b>S</b> 7
$[Mn^{III}(\mu-L^{c})(\mu-OMe)(NO_{3})Dy^{III}(NO_{3})_{2}(MeOH)]^{**}$	Not reported	Not reported	not	/	<b>S</b> 8
$[Mn_2Dy_2(L^dH)_4(\mu\text{-OAc})_2](NO_3)_2 \cdot 2CH_3OH \cdot 3H_2O$	Arch-like	Not reported	not	$\sim 24^{a}$	S9
$[Mn^{III}_{2}Dy_{2}(OMe)_{2}(O_{2}CMe)_{6}(naph)_{2}]$	Linearity	SAP	not	/	S10
$[Mn^{IV}Mn^{III}{}_{2}Dy^{III}{}_{2}O_{2}(benz)_{4}(mdea)_{3}(NO_{3})_{2}(MeOH)]^{***}$	Trigonal bipyramid	MSAP	not	/	S11
$[Mn^{II}Mn^{III}{}_2Dy^{III}{}_4(mosao)_2(mosaoH)_4(piv)_4(mdea)_4]$	Not reported	Not reported	not	$\sim 9^{a}$	S12
$[Mn^{III}_{4}Dy^{III}(HL^{e})_{4}\{(py)_{2}CO_{2}\}_{2}Cl_{2}](OH)$	Tetrahedron	cube	not	7.9 <sup>b</sup>	S13
$[Mn_4Dy_2O_2\{(py)_2CO_2\}_4(NO_3)_4(EtCO_2)_2(H_2O)_3(MeOH)]$	Cross-shape	TCTP	not	/	S14
$(NHEt_3)[Mn_4Dy_5O_2(OH)_4(NO_3)_4(saph)_8(H_2O)_4]$	Not reported	Not reported	not	/	S15
$[Mn^{III}_4Dy^{III}_4(OH)_4(N_3)_4(O_2CBu')_8(\textit{t-bdea})_4]\cdot solv$	Square-in-square	SAP	not	/	S16
$[Mn_6Dy_2(OH)_4(O)(Ac)_4(H_2O)_2(L^f)_6]\cdot NO_3\cdot OH$	Sandwich	TCTP	not	$\sim \! 15^{b}$	S17
$[Mn^{\rm III}{}_6\text{Dy}{}^{\rm III}{}_6(\text{OH})_7(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{O}_2\text{CPh})_{11}(\text{L}^{\rm g})_3(\text{HL}^{\rm g})_4(\text{NO}_3)]$	Not reported	SCSAP	not	/	S18
$[Mn^{III}_{4}Mn^{II}_{2}Dy^{III}_{10}O_{4}(OH)_{12}(OAc)_{16}(L^{h})_{4}(HL^{h})_{2}(EtOH)_{2}]$	Squarelike	SAP and CTPR	not	~11 <sup>a</sup>	S19
[Mn <sub>7</sub> Dy <sub>2</sub> (O) <sub>6</sub> (OMe) <sub>2</sub> (OH)(piv) <sub>8</sub> (dea) <sub>2</sub> (MeOH) <sub>2</sub> (H <sub>2</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	Not reported	BTPR	not	~10 <sup>a</sup>	S20
$[Mn_8Dy_2O_2(OH)_2\{(py)_2CO_2\}_4(teaH)_4(CH_3COO)_6] \cdot solv$	Not reported	MFF	not	/	S21
$[Mn^{III}_{8}Dy^{III}_{8}(mdea)_{16}(o-tol)_{8}(NO_{3})_{8}]^{****}$	Wheels	TDDC	not	/	S22
$[Mn^{III}{}_{12}Mn^{II}{}_{6}Dy^{III}(O)_8(Cl)_{6.5}(N_3)_{1.5}(HL^i)_{12}(MeOH)_6]Cl_3$	Supertetrahedron	Not reported	not	/	S23

TDDC = trigonal dodecahedron, MSAP = monocapped square antiprism, TCTP = tricapped trigonal, Prism, SAP = square antiprism, SCSAP = spherical capped square antiprism, MFF = muffin, TTP = triaugmented triangular prism, BTPR = biaugmented trigonal prism, CTPR = capped trigonal prism; a the values of the effective energy barrier ( $U_{eff}$ ) were obtained by employing Arrhenius law  $(\tau = \tau_0 \exp(U_{\text{eff}}/kT))$ , b the values of the energy barrier  $(E_a)$  were obtained by the equation of  $\ln(\chi''/\chi') = \ln(\omega\tau_0) + E_a/k_BT$ ; H<sub>2</sub>mpea = 2-hydroxy-3-((2-hydroxyethylimino)methyl)-5-methylbenzaldehyde, tea $H_3$  = triethanolamine, mdea $H_2$  = N-methyldiethanolamine, pivH = pivalic acid, p-Me-PhCO<sub>2</sub>H = 4-methylbenzoic acid,  $H_2L^a = 2,2'$ -((pyridin-2-ylmethyl)azanediyl)bis(ethan-1-ol),  $L^bH_4 = 2,2'$ -((pyridin-2-ylmethyl)azanediyl)bis(ethan-1-ol), (E)-2,2'-(2-hydroxy-3-((2-hydroxyphenylimino)methyl)-5-methylbenzylazanediyl)-diethanol, 6,6'-{(2-(1- $H_2L^c$ morpholyl)ethylazanediyl)bis-(methylene)}bis(2-methoxy-4-methylphenol), Ĺ<sup>d</sup>H<sub>3</sub> 2,2'-(2-hydroxy-3-methoxy-5methylbenzylazanediyl)diethanol, naph $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = benzoic acid, mosao $H_2 = N$ -naphthalidene-o-aminophenol, benz(H) = 3methyloxysalicylaldoxime,  $H_3L^e = 2$ -((2-hydroxybenzylidene)amino)propane-1,3-diol, (py)<sub>2</sub>C(OH)<sub>2</sub> = the gem-diol form of 2,2'dipyridyl ketone), saph $H_2 = N$ -salicylidene-o-aminophenol, t-bdea $H_2 = t$ -butyldiethanolamine,  $H_2L^f =$  the condensation reactions with o-vanillin and R-/S-2-phenylglycinol,  $H_3L^g = 2(\beta$ -naphthalideneamino)-2-hydroxymethyl-1-propanol,  $H_2L^h = 4$ -bromo-2-[(2-hydroxypropylimino)methyl]phenol, H<sub>2</sub>dea = diethanolamine, o-tol = ortho-toluic acid, H<sub>3</sub>L<sup>i</sup> = 2,6-bis-(hydroxymethyl)-4methylphenol.

The calculated energy barrier ( $U_{cal}$ ) by *ab initio* calculations:  $*U_{cal,Dy1} = U_{cal,Dy2} = 50.2 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ;  $***U_{cal,Dy1} = 53 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ;  $***U_{cal,Dy1} = 20.5 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $U_{cal,Dy2} = 52.3 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ;  $***U_{cal,Dy1} = 65.1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ ,  $U_{cal,Dy2} = 90.7 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ .

#### **II. Experimental part**

#### **EXPERIMENTAL SECTION**

All chemical reagents were obtained from commercial sources and used without further purification. All reactions were carried out under aerobic conditions. The 2-methoxy-6-[(Z)-(1H-1,2,4-triazol-3-ylimino)methyl]phenol ligand (H<sub>2</sub>L) was prepared by the already reported method.<sup>S24</sup>

# Synthesis of $[Mn^{III}_5Dy^{III}_3(NO_3)(OCH_3)(L)_4(L')_2(tea)(teaH)_4]OH \cdot 3CH_3OH \cdot 2H_2O$ (1)

A mixture of MnCl<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O (0.0396 g, 0.2 mmol), Dy(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (0.0457 g, 0.1 mmol), H<sub>2</sub>L ligand (0.0436 g, 0.2 mmol), triethanolamine (0.0301 g, 0.2 mmol), and tetramethylammonium hydroxide pentahydrate (0.1449 g, 0.8 mmol) dissolved in the mixture of CH<sub>3</sub>OH and DMF (15 mL, the volume ratio of CH<sub>3</sub>OH: DMF = 14:1), which was stirred at room temperature for 25 min. The black clear solution was obtained by filtration. After 3 weeks, red-brown block-shaped crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction analysis were isolated from the slow evaporation of the solvent, which was washed with a small amount of CH<sub>3</sub>OH and dried in air. The yield was 0.0110 g (9.84% based on Mn salt or 11.82% based on Dy salts). Three CH<sub>3</sub>OH and one H<sub>2</sub>O solvent molecules in the crystal lattice were lost when the sample of 1 was dried. Anal. Calcd for  $C_{87}H_{116}Dy_3Mn_5N_{22}O_{35}$  (*Mr* = 2792.17): C, 37.42%; H, 4.19%; N%, 11.04%. Found: C, 37.60%; H, 4.12%; N, 10.95%. Selected IR (Figure S1, KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>, s, m, and w stand for strong, medium, and weak, respectively): 3389(s), 2850(s), 1659(s), 1602(s), 1545(s), 1471(s), 1433(s), 1366(s), 1291(s), 1248(s), 1215(s), 1072(s), 972(m), 912(m), 862(m), 742(m), 638(m), 503.91(m).

#### **Crystal Structure Determination**

Single-crystal X-ray diffraction data were collected at 150(2) K for 1 on a Bruker Smart CCD diffractometer with graphite-monochrome-mated GaK $\alpha$  ( $\lambda$  = 1.34138 Å) radiation in a  $\omega$ -scan mode. The collected data were reduced using the software package SAINT,<sup>S25</sup> and a semiempirical absorption correction was applied to the intensity data using the SADABS program.<sup>S26</sup> The crystal structure of 1 was solved by employing direct methods, all non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically by least squares on  $F^2$  using the SHELXL-2014 program,<sup>S27</sup> and all H atoms were placed at calculated positions and isotropically fixed using the riding model. Some solvent molecules in 1 cannot be properly modeled, so the contributions were subtracted by the SQUEEZE command as implemented in PLATON.<sup>S28</sup> The crystallographic data and structure refinement parameters are summarized in Table S2. Selected bond lengths and angles for 1 are given in Table S3.

#### **Physical measurements**

The crystals of 1 were filtrated from its mother solutions, washed three times with  $CH_3OH$ , and dried in the air overnight. The collected powder sample of 1 was measured for infrared spectra (IR), elemental analysis, and magnetic properties. IR spectral data were measured on a Nexus 670 FT-IR spectrometer using KBr pellets in the range of 400 to 4000 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Elemental analysis (C, H, and N) of 1 was recorded with an Elementar Vario EL cube. The magnetic measurements of the crystalline

sample were performed on a Quantum Design MPMS-XL7 SQUID magnetometer. The direct current (dc) magnetic susceptibility measurements were carried out under an applied field of 1000 Oe from 2.0 to 300 K. The magnetization (M) measurements were performed in the range of 0-7 T and 2.0-5.0 K. The alternating current (ac) magnetic susceptibilities were collected under a zero dc field or under different applied dc fields with a 5 Oe ac oscillating field. The oscillation frequencies range from 1 Hz to 999 Hz. The diamagnetic corrections for 1 were estimated using Pascal's constants,<sup>S29</sup> and the magnetic data were corrected for diamagnetic contributions from the sample holder.

Complex	Complex 1
Empirical formula	$C_{90}H_{130}Dy_{3}Mn_{5}N_{22}O_{39}$
Formula weight	2906.35
Temperature/K	150(2)
Crystal color	dark brown
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	$P^{\overline{1}}$
a (Å)	18.3119(9)
b (Å)	19.3604(9)
<i>c</i> (Å))	24.2054(13)
α (°)	93.079(2)
β (°)	108.015(2)
γ (°)	106.125(2)
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	7747.6(7)
Ζ	2
$ \rho_{\rm calc}  ({\rm g/cm^3}) $	1.246
$\mu$ (Ga K $\alpha$ )/mm <sup>-1</sup>	9.962
F(000)	2918
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	$0.15 \times 0.12 \times 0.10$
Radiation	GaK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda = 1.34138$ )
heta range/°	3.3447-56.9075
Index ranges	$-22 \le h \le 22$ ,
	$-24 \le k \le 23$ , $-30 \le 1 \le 30$
Reflections collected	119605
Unique reflections $[R_{int}]$	$31748 [R_{int} = 0.0802]$
Reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$	21152
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.093
Final <i>R</i> indexes $[I \ge 2\sigma(I)]^{a,b}$	$R_1 = 0.0638, wR_2 = 0.1542$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0951, wR_2 = 0.1701$
S (all data)	1.097

### **III. Structural part**

Selected bond lengths for 1								
Dy1-O15	2.294(4)	Dy3-O29	2.321(5)	Mn2-N11	2.257(5)			
Dy1-O33	2.322(4)	Dy3-O25	2.350(5)	Mn3-O9	1.901(5)			
Dy1-O30	2.376(4)	Dy3-O27	2.406(5)	Mn3-O23	1.903(4)			
Dy1-O16	2.385(4)	Dy3-O28	2.421(4)	Mn3-O20	1.906(5)			
Dy1-O17	2.430(4)	Dy3-O26	2.488(6)	Mn3-O5	1.932(4)			
Dy1-O31	2.429(4)	Dy3-N21	2.582(6)	Mn3-N9	2.275(5)			
Dy1-N2	2.565(5)	Dy3-N14	2.600(6)	Mn3-O10	2.278(5)			
Dy1-N6	2.610(5)	Dy3-N20	2.612(6)	Mn4-O24	1.904(5)			
Dy1-N17	2.650(5)	Mn1-O3	1.893(5)	Mn4-O16	1.908(5)			
Dy2-O23	2.301(5)	Mn1-O33	1.908(4)	Mn4-O27	1.944(5)			
Dy2-O21	2.327(4)	Mn1-O1	1.917(5)	Mn4-N3	2.025(6)			
Dy2-O18	2.337(4)	Mn1-O15	1.938(4)	Mn4-O31	2.251(4)			
Dy2-O20	2.395(4)	Mn1-N5	2.269(6)	Mn4-N15	2.264(6)			
Dy2-O22	2.435(4)	Mn1-N1	2.269(6)	Mn5-O7	1.907(6)			
Dy2-O19	2.474(5)	Mn2-O17	1.881(4)	Mn5-O25	1.911(5)			
Dy2-N18	2.598(6)	Mn2-O21	1.912(4)	Mn5-O29	1.918(5)			
Dy2-N19	2.603(6)	Mn2-O18	1.922(4)	Mn5-O12	1.925(7)			
Dy2-N10	2.651(5)	Mn2-N7	2.015(6)	Mn5-O13	2.236(9)			
Dy3-O24	2.306(4)	Mn2-O30	2.216(4)	Mn5-N13	2.247(8)			
		Selected bond	l angles for 1					
O15-Dy1-N17	67.76(16)	N21-Dy3-N20	140.1(2)	O9-Mn3-N9	86.9(2)			
O33-Dy1-N17	135.02(16)	N14-Dy3-N20	97.3(2)	O23-Mn3-N9	104.82(19)			
O30-Dy1-N17	131.24(14)	O3-Mn1-O33	94.79(19)	O20-Mn3-N9	87.6(2)			
O16-Dy1-N17	67.17(17)	O3-Mn1-O1	89.7(2)	O5-Mn3-N9	83.08(18)			
O17-Dy1-N17	66.58(14)	O33-Mn1-O1	174.4(2)	O24-Mn4-N15	84.7(2)			
O23-Dy2-O21	86.56(15)	O3-Mn1-O15	175.5(2)	O16-Mn4-N15	102.3(2)			
O23-Dy2-O18	143.78(17)	O33-Mn1-O15	84.28(17)	O27-Mn4-N15	82.2(2)			
O21-Dy2-O18	66.06(14)	O18-Mn2-N7	173.7(2)	N3-Mn4-N15	95.7(2)			
O23-Dy2-O20	63.71(15)	O17-Mn2-O30	78.92(15)	O31-Mn4-N15	176.3(2)			
O21-Dy2-O20	137.31(16)	O21-Mn2-O30	93.15(16)	O25-Mn5-O12	172.5(3)			
O27-Dy3-N20	132.77(18)	O18-Mn2-O30	97.61(17)	O29-Mn5-O12	93.1(3)			
O28-Dy3-N20	85.06(18)	N7-Mn2-O30	87.85(19)	O7-Mn5-O13	86.1(3)			
O26-Dy3-N20	67.0(2)	O20-Mn3-O5	93.33(19)	O25-Mn5-O13	96.8(3)			

Table S3. Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for 1.

Atom	+2	+3	+4
Mn1	3.57	<u>3.29</u>	3.23
Mn2	3.47	<u>3.20</u>	3.14
Mn3	3.45	<u>3.18</u>	3.12
Mn4	3.37	<u>3.11</u>	3.05
Mn5	3.50	<u>3.23</u>	3.17

Table S4. Bond Valence Sum (BVS) calculations for determining the oxidation of the Mn in 1.

**Note**: The values labeled by underline indicated that they are close to the assigned oxidation state of Mn atoms. In **1**, the oxidation states of five Mn atoms are all +3.

**Table S5.** Bond Valence Sum (BVS) calculations for determining the protonation levels of the O atoms in 1.

Atoms	BVS values	Atoms	BVS values
01	1.72	O18	2.02
02	2.01	O19	1.19
03	1.88	O20	1.94
O4	1.91	O21	2.07
05	1.86	O22	1.31
O6	1.87	O23	2.13
07	2.02	O24	2.08
08	1.96	O25	2.12
09	1.91	O26	1.18
O10	1.75	O27	1.83
011	1.95	O28	1.26
012	2.07	O29	2.00
O13	1.83	O30	1.84
O14	1.88	O31	1.72
O15	2.10	O32	1.60
O16	1.96	O33	2.10
017	1.97		

**Note**: 1) The values of BVS calculations for O atoms in the 1.8-2.0, 1.0-1.2, and 0.2-0.4 ranges are indicative of non-, single- and double-protonation, respectively. 2) The O atoms with single-protonation were labeled by red.

Point group	Geometry	Polyhedron	Dy1
$D_{9h}$	EP-9	Enneagon	36.594
$C_{ m 8v}$	OPY-9	Octagonal pyramid	24.864
$D_{7\mathrm{h}}$	HBPY-9	Heptagonal bipyramid	16.339
$C_{3\mathrm{v}}$	JTC-9	Johnson triangular cupola (J3)	14.064
$C_{ m 4v}$	JCCU-9	Capped cube (J8)	9.888
$C_{ m 4v}$	CCU-9	Spherical-relaxed capped cube	8.776
$C_{ m 4v}$	JCSAPR-9	Capped square antiprism (J10)	4.023
$C_{ m 4v}$	CSAPR-9	Spherical capped square antiprism	3.183
$D_{3\mathrm{h}}$	JTCTPR-9	Tricapped trigonal prism (J51)	5.716
$D_{3\mathrm{h}}$	TCTPR-9	Spherical Tricapped trigonal prism	3.885
$C_{3\mathrm{v}}$	JTDIC-9	Tridiminished icosahedron(J63)	9.924
$C_{2\mathrm{v}}$	НН-9	Hula-hoop	8.330
$C_{ m s}$	MFF-9	Muffin	2.003

Table S6. The possible geometries of Dy1 and its deviation parameters from each ideal polyhedron in 1.

Note: The coordination geometry of Dy1 was labeled by red.

The positive geometries of 252 and 250 as were as more permitted them								
each ideal polyhedron in 1.								
Point group	Geometry	Polyhedron	Dy2	Dy3				
$D_{9\mathrm{h}}$	EP-9	Enneagon	36.072	35.722				
$C_{ m 8v}$	OPY-9	Octagonal pyramid	21.489	22.367				
$D_{7\mathrm{h}}$	HBPY-9	Heptagonal bipyramid	17.497	17.743				
$C_{3\mathrm{v}}$	JTC-9	Johnson triangular cupola (J3)	16.046	16.455				
$C_{ m 4v}$	JCCU-9	Capped cube (J8)	8.742	9.805				
$C_{ m 4v}$	CCU-9	Spherical-relaxed capped cube	6.940	8.208				
$C_{ m 4v}$	JCSAPR-9	Capped square antiprism (J10)	3.335	2.446				
$C_{ m 4v}$	CSAPR-9	Spherical capped square antiprism	1.915	1.693				
$D_{3\mathrm{h}}$	JTCTPR-9	Tricapped trigonal prism (J51)	3.586	3.683				
$D_{3h}$	TCTPR-9	Spherical Tricapped trigonal prism	1.755	1.723				

Table S7. The possible geometries of Dy2 and Dy3 as well as their deviation parameters from

\* The CShM values of the coordination geometries close to each other were labelled using blue.

Muffin

Hula-hoop

 $C_{3v}$ 

 $C_{2v}$ 

 $C_{\rm s}$ 

JTDIC-9

HH-9

MFF-9

Tridiminished icosahedron(J63)

12.294

8.682

2.022

13.039

8.701

1.572

D-H…A	d(D-H)	d(H···A)	$d(D \cdots A)$	∠(DHA)	Symmetry codes
O39-H39A…O27	0.85	2.09	2.937	178.6	
O38-H38A…O14 <sup>#1</sup>	0.85	2.18	2.894	142.0	#1 = x - 1, y, z
O38-H38B…O12 <sup>#1</sup>	0.85	2.18	2.906	144.0	#1 = x - 1, y, z
O37-H37B····O8 <sup>#2</sup>	0.85	2.20	2.911	141.1	#2 = x, y, z - 1
O37-H37A…O13 <sup>#2</sup>	0.85	2.51	3.050	121.8	#2 = x, y, z - 1
O37-H37A…O7 <sup>#2</sup>	0.85	2.17	2.898	143.8	#2 = x, y, z - 1
O36-H36…O34	0.85	1.89	2.741	175.4	
O35-H35A…O2	0.85	2.34	2.949	129.1	
O35-H35A…O1	0.85	2.38	3.199	163.1	
O34-H34A…O5	0.85	1.91	2.759	178.9	
O28-H28A…O32	0.85	1.80	2.594	154.3	
O26-H26A…O25	0.85	2.42	2.906	116.9	
O22-H22A…O32	0.85	1.89	2.670	151.5	
O19-H19A…O36	0.85	2.03	2.670	131.6	
O19-H19A…O20	0.85	2.40	2.910	119.5	

Table S8. The distance (d, Å) and angle (°) information for the intramolecular and/or intermolecular hydrogen bonds in complexes 1.





Coordination mode  $\mu_1 - \kappa^1 - O, O'$ 

Coordination mode  $\mu_3$ - $\kappa^1$ -O,O': $\kappa^1$ -N,N',N''





Coordination mode  $\mu_4 - \kappa^2 - O, O', O'': \kappa^1 - N$  Coordination mode  $\mu_3 - \kappa^2 - O, O': \kappa^1 - O'': \kappa^1 - N$ 

Scheme S1. The coordination modes of  $L^{2-}$ ,  $L^{-}$ , tea<sup>3-</sup>, and tea $H^{2-}$  in 1.



Figure S1. IR spectra (upper) and PXRD patterns (bottom) of 1.



Figure S2. The topology of the metal core in 1.



Figure S3. The hydrogen bond presented in the crystal of 1.



**Figure S4.** The shortest  $Dy^{III} \cdots Dy^{III}$  (pink dashed lines),  $Mn^{III} \cdots Mn^{III}$  (green dashed lines) and  $Mn^{III} \cdots Dy^{III}$  (brown dashed lines) distances between the neighboring molecules of **1** in the packing diagram along with *c*-axis.





**Figure S5**. The plots of M vs H (top) and M vs H/T for 1.



Figure S6. Hysteresis loops of 1 measured at 1.8 K (the field sweep rate is 0.02 T s<sup>-1</sup>).



**Figure S7**. The plots of in-phase ( $\chi'$ ) ac susceptibilities *vs*. *T* (left, *T* represents temperature) and out-of-phase ac susceptibilities ( $\chi''$ ) *vs*. *T* (right) of **1** mesured under a zero dc field.



**Figure S8.** The plots of in-phase ( $\chi'$ ) ac susceptibilities *vs. v* (left, *v* represents frequency) and Cole-Cole plots (right) of **1** mesured under a zero dc field. The solid lines in the right figure represent the fitted results by employing a single relaxation Debye model.



**Figure S9.** The plots of  $\ln(\tau)$  vs.  $T^{-1}$  (left) and  $\ln(\chi''/\chi')$  vs.  $T^{-1}$  for **1** measured under a zero dc field. The red solid line in the left figure and the solid lines with different colors in the right figure represent the fitted results by  $\tau^{-1} = CT^n + \tau_0^{-1} \exp(-U_{\text{eff}}/k_{\text{B}}T) + \tau_{\text{QTM}}^{-1}$  and by  $\ln(\chi''/\chi') = \ln(\omega\tau_0) + U_{\text{eff}}/k_{\text{B}}T$ , respectively.



Figure S10. The plots of  $\chi'$  vs. v (left) and  $\chi''$  vs. v (right) of 1 mesured under different dc fields.



**Figure S11.** The plots of  $\chi''$  vs. T (left) and  $\chi''$  vs. v (right) of 1 mesured under a 200 Oe dc field.

<i>T</i> (K)	χs	χт	τ (s)	α	Residual
2.0	2.6516E-13	2.6506	9.75731E-8	0.70027	8.40507E-4
2.3	5.41266E-13	2.40778	7.52628E-8	0.65177	6.77443E-4
2.6	3.78686E-13	2.22234	3.51262E-8	0.63453	5.30432E-4
2.9	5.13945E-13	2.06786	1.94241E-8	0.61294	4.60646E-4
3.2	1.0057E-12	1.93802	1.80759E-8	0.5823	4.13361E-4
3.5	3.74684E-13	1.82305	2.78228E-8	0.51357	3.97155E-4
3.8	4.76905E-13	1.7249	1.09378E-8	0.52	3.33538E-4
4.1	8.36163E-13	1.6365	1.06772E-8	0.48918	2.95299E-4
4.4	3.66983E-12	1.55833	4.67153E-9	0.49877	2.36341E-4
4.7	4.97033E-12	1.48687	3.28228E-9	0.48626	2.17527E-4
5	2.08795E-12	1.42193	4.09505E-9	0.46029	1.93754E-4

**Table S9**. Best fitted parameters obtained from the fits of the Cole-Cole plots of **1** under a zero Oe dc field by employing a single relaxation Debye model.

**Table S10.** The obtained parameters by employing the Bartolomé equation for fitting the magnetic data of 1 under a zero dc field.

Frequencies (Hz)	$ au_{0}\left(\mathrm{s} ight)$	$E_{\rm a}\left({\rm K}\right)$	Frequencies (Hz)	$\tau_0(s)$	$E_{\rm a}({\rm K})$				
110	$6.22 \times 10^{-8}$	15.92	389	$3.17 \times 10^{-8}$	15.68				
152	$5.29 \times 10^{-8}$	15.88	533	$2.74 \times 10^{-8}$	15.44				
208	$4.44 \times 10^{-8}$	15.88	730	$2.11 \times 10^{-8}$	15.63				
284	$4.09 \times 10^{-8}$	15.47	999	$1.67 \times 10^{-8}$	15.66				
Mean value of $\tau_0$ is $3.72 \times 10^{-8}$ s									
Mean value of $E_a$ is 15.70 K									

#### V. Computational part

#### Ab initio calculation

Complete-active-space self-consistent-field (CASSCF) calculations on the individual Dy<sup>III</sup> or Mn<sup>III</sup> fragments of 1 and  $[Zn_2Dy(L^a)_2Br_2(H_2O)](ClO_4)\cdot 4H_2O$  (Zn<sub>2</sub>Dy, H<sub>2</sub>L<sup>a</sup> = N,N-bis(3-methoxy-5-methylsalicylidene)-1,2-diaminocyclohexane)<sup>S30</sup> as well as H2bbpen = N,N-bis(2-hydroxybenzyl)-N,N-bis(2-[Dy(bbpen)Br] (Dy-SIM, methylpyridyl)ethylenediamine)<sup>S31</sup> were performed with OpenMolcas and SINGLE ANISO programs.<sup>S32-S34</sup> Normally, the Dy<sup>III</sup> or Mn<sup>III</sup> fragments were constructed based on the single-crystal structure of the computational complexes. However, for 1, its structure is too large to calculate on our computer. Therefore, we only retained four or three metal ions and the corresponding ligands linking these metal ions in the crystal structure of 1, while other metal ions and ligands were deleted (Figures S12-S13). Even so, the calculated results from POLY ANISO are almost consistent with the experimental data, indicating the constructed fragments in this work is reasonable. For each fragment, only one Dy<sup>III</sup> or Mn<sup>III</sup> were retained, while other Dy<sup>III</sup> or Mn<sup>III</sup> ions were replaced by Lu<sup>III</sup> or Sc<sup>III</sup>, respectively. For Zn<sub>2</sub>Dy and Dy-SIM, their crystal structures were directly employed for CASSCF calculations as both complexes contain only one Dy<sup>III</sup>.

The basis sets for all atoms are atomic orbitals from the ANO-RCC library: ANO-RCC-VTZP for DyIII or MnIII; ANO-RCC-vtz for coordinated N/O atoms; ANO-RCC-vdz for other N/O atoms, Br atoms, Cl atoms, Lu<sup>III</sup>, Sc<sup>III</sup>, C and H atoms.<sup>S35</sup> The calculations employed the second order Douglas-Kroll-Hess Hamiltonian, where scalar relativistic contractions were taken into account in the basis set and the spinorbit couplings were handled separately in the restricted active space interaction (RASSI-SO) procedure.<sup>S36</sup> In the case of the Dy<sup>III</sup> ion, the active space was defined as nine electrons in seven f orbitals, CAS(9,7). For the CASSCF calculations, the restricted-active-space self-consistent-field (RASSCF) method was employed with the following numbers of multiplets: 21 sextets, 224 quartets and 490 doublets. However, due to the limit of our computer, we only selected 21 sextets, 128 quartets and 130 doublets for the RASSI-SO calculations. In the case of the Mn<sup>III</sup>, the active space was defined as four electrons in five d orbitals, CAS(4,5). We considered 5 quintets and 45 triplets for RASSCF calculations and employed all of the states for RASSI-SO calculations. Based on the above CASSCF/RASSI-SO calculations, SINGLE ANISO program was then employed for obtaining the energy levels,  $S^{33-S34}$  g tensors,  $m_J$  values, magnetic axes, et al.



Figure S12. The models for calculating 1\_Dy1, 1\_Dy2 and 1\_Dy3 in 1, in which the metal ions were labelled according to the labels on the metal ions in the crystal structure of 1 (see Fig 1).



Figure S13. The models of  $1_Mn1 \sim 1_Mn5$  in 1, in which the metal ions were labelled according to the labels on the metal ions in the crystal structure of 1 (see Fig 1).

**Table S11.** Calculated energy levels (cm<sup>-1</sup>),  $g(g_x, g_y, g_z)$  tensors and predominant  $m_J$  values of the lowest eight Kramers doublets (KDs) of individual Dy<sup>III</sup> fragments, and zero-field splitting parameters D(E) (cm<sup>-1</sup>),  $g(g_x, g_y, g_z)$  tensors of the lowest spin-orbit states of **1\_Mn1**, **1\_Mn2**, **1\_Mn3**, **1\_Mn4** and **1\_Mn5** for complex **1** using CASSCF/RASSI-SO with OpenMolcas.

VD <sub>a</sub>	1_Dy1				1_Dy2				1_Dy3				
KDS	E/cm	$^{-1}$ <b>g</b>		m <sub>J</sub>	$E/cm^{-1}$	g	<u> </u>	J	E/cn	n <sup>-1</sup>	g	$m_{ m J}$	
		0.01	4			0.308					0.047		
1	0.0	0.01	6	±15/2	0.0	0.952	±15	/2	0.0	)	0.114	$\pm 15/2$	
		19.6	78			18.534					19.207		
		0.12	28			1.912					0.498		
2	141.	3 0.14	16	$\pm 13/2$	76.4	2.807	±1/	2	98.	4	0.903	$\pm 1/2$	
		16.3	58			14.964					18.091		
		0.75	56			2.424					0.187		
3	296.	3 0.85	50	$\pm 11/2$	133.7	2.893	±13	/2	143	.4	1.316	$\pm 13/2$	
		13.7	56			12.680					15.136		
		1.84	18			2.536					2.670		
4	431.4	4   3.18	34	$\pm 5/2$	248.4	5.858	±5/	2	245	.0	3.109	$\pm 11/2$	
		10.7	72			11.369					12.080		
		1.13	30			0.885					3.843		
5	542.4	4   3.77	75	$\pm 7/2$	279.0	4.477	±9/	±9/2		.3	5.084	$\pm 7/2$	
		7.99	96			12.762					9.890		
		4.33	35			2.706					1.243		
6	620.	8 5.40	)7	±1/2	331.1	3.068	±5/2		352.5		1.999	$\pm 5/2$	
		8.68	35			12.361					13.671		
		1 20	)1			0.241					0.084		
7	700.	5 2.64	18	$\pm 3/2$	402.5	0.321	±9/	2	448	.0	0.101	$\pm 1/2$	
	,	14.4	49			16.423		-			16.781		
		0.19	91			0.042					0.009		
8	781.9	9 0.64	14	$\pm 1/2$	487.6	0.094	±3/	2	579	.3	0.018	$\pm 5/2$	
_	18.283				19.450		077.5		19.582	-5/2			
	1 Mn	1		1 Mı	n2 1 Mn3					1 Mr	n4		
	$\overline{(E)}$	g		D(E)	σ	D (E	)		σ		D(E)	σ	
		1.005	-	2 (2)	1 00 (	2 (2	,	1	8		2 (2)	1.000	
		1.995		2 2 (0 1)	1.996	2.4.0		1.	995		$\mathbf{a}$	1.996	
-3.4(0	-3.4(0.04)		-	-3.3 (0.1)	1.994	-3.4 (0	.2)	1.	993		3.3(0.2)	1.994	
	1 1	1.968	$\vdash$		1.968			1.	900			1.969	
<u>l_Mn5</u>		-											
	(E)	g											
		1.995											
-3.3	(0.1)	1.993											
	` ´	1.968											
			1										

	$E/cm^{-1}$	wave functions
	0.0	96.8% \u2264 15/2>
	141.3	$93.7\% \pm 13/2 > \pm 3.0\% \pm 9/2 >$
	296.3	$69.1\% \pm 11/2 > + 14.7\% \pm 9/2 > + 4.4\% \pm 1/2 > + 3.9\% \pm 5/2 >$
	431.4	$15.9\% \pm 5/2 > + 15.0\% \pm 3/2 > + 12.1\% \pm 7/2 > + 10.8\% \pm 1/2 > + 9.5\% \pm 11/2 >$
1_Dy1	542.4	$43.8\%  \pm 7/2 > + 19.0\%  \pm 9/2 > + 11.5\%  \pm 3/2 > + 9.6\%  \pm 1/2 > + 8.4\%  \pm 5/2 >$
	620.8	$32.1\% \pm 1/2 + 30.7\% \pm 5/2 + 11.0\% \pm 7/2 + 10.7\% \pm 9/2 + 10.6\% \pm 3/2 + 4.5\% \pm 11/2 >$
	700.5	$53.2\% \pm 3/2 > + 25.3\% \pm 5/2 > + 22.3\% \pm 3/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 6.4\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 9/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 1/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 10.$
	781.9	$32.8\% \pm 1/2 > + 28.0\% \pm 7/2 > + 15.4\% \pm 5/2 > + 12.9\% \pm 9/2 > + 5.8\% \pm 3/2 > $
	0.0	83.8% ±15/2>+10.0% ±11/2>
	76.4	29.5% ±1/2> + 21.0% ±3/2> + 18.1% ±5/2> + 12.3% ±13/2> +9.3% ±9/2> + 4.6% ±7/2> + 3.9% ±15/2>
	133.7	50.9% ±13/2>+9.4% ±11/2>+9.3% ±3/2>+9.1% ±7/2>+8.4% ±9/2>+8.2% ±1/2>
1 D-3	248.4	$22.6\% \pm 5/2 + 20.0\% \pm 13/2 + 14.9\% \pm 3/2 + 14.7\% \pm 7/2 + 14.2\% \pm 11/2 + 7.5\% \pm 9/2 >$
I_Dy2	279.0	$26.7\% \pm 9/2 + 25.7\% \pm 11/2 + 19.2\% \pm 7/2 + 9.1\% \pm 1/2 + 9.1\% \pm 13/2 + 4.3\% \pm 5/2 + 3.7\% \pm 3/2 >$
	331.1	$25.6\% \pm 5/2> + 20.7\% \pm 11/2> + 17.2\% \pm 7/2> + 15.0\% \pm 3/2> + 7.9\% \pm 1/2> + 6.7\% \pm 9/2> 4.7\% \pm 13/2>$
	402.5	$32.2\% \pm 9/2> + 18.6\% \pm 1/2> + 17.6\% \pm 11/2> + 15.2\% \pm 7/2> + 9.5\% \pm 3/2> + 3.5\% \pm 5/2>$
	487.6	$25.2\% \pm 3/2 + 24.2\% \pm 5/2 + 22.6\% \pm 1/2 + 17.6\% \pm 7/2 + 8.6\% \pm 9/2 = 0$
	0.0	89.3% ±15/2>+9.0% ±11/2>
	98.4	$29.7\% \pm 1/2 > + 23.7\% \pm 3/2 > + 17.8\% \pm 5/2 > + 10.1\% \pm 9/2 > + 9.1\% \pm 7/2 > + 6.4\% \pm > + 7.3\% \pm 13/2 >$
	143.4	$76.4\% \pm 13/2 > \pm 5.9\% \pm 11/2 > \pm 5.5\% \pm 7/2 > \pm 4.3\% \pm 9/2 > \pm 3.4\% \pm 1/2 > \pm 3.0\% \pm 2.6\% \pm 13/2 >$
	245.0	$36.8\% \pm 11/2 + 22.4\% \pm 9/2 + 12.0\% \pm 3/2 + 9.7\% \pm 5/2 + 9.5\% \pm 1/2 + 4.7\% \pm 7/2 + 3.1\% \pm 15/2 $
1_Dy3	295.3	$31.8\% \pm7/2> + 16.0\% \pm11/2> + 15.7\% \pm9/2> + 12.8\% \pm5/2> + 8.1\%$ $ \pm1/2> + 7.7\% \pm3/2> + 5.8\% \pm13/2>$
	352.5	$29.9\% \pm 5/2$ + $18.2\% \pm 3/2$ + $14.9\% \pm 7/2$ + $14.3\% \pm 11/2$ + $12.3\% \pm 9/2$ + $4.7\% \pm 13/2$ + $4.0\% \pm 11/2$
	448.0	$27.3\% \pm 1/2 > + 14.7\% \pm 3/2 > + 13.1\% \pm 11/2 > + 12.5\% \pm 7/2 > + 10.0\% \pm 9/2 > + 5.7\% \pm 5/2 > + 2.6\% \pm 13/2 >$
	579.3	$23.1\% \pm 5/2> + 21.0\% \pm 3/2> + 20.8\% \pm 7/2> + 17.7\% \pm 1/2> + 12.4\% \pm 9/2> + 3.4\% \pm 11/2>$

**Table S12.** Wave functions with definite projection of the total moment  $|m_J\rangle$  for the lowest eight KDs of **1\_Dy1**, **1\_Dy1** and **1\_Dy3** using CASSCF/RASSI-SO with OpenMolcas.

	1_Mn1	1_Mn2	1_Mn3	1_Mn4	1_Mn5
KDs	$E/cm^{-1}$	$E/cm^{-1}$	$E/cm^{-1}$	$E/cm^{-1}$	$E/cm^{-1}$
1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
2	11922.2	13701.95	11722.3	13882.3	12961.6
3	18015.0	18256.34	17374.2	18559.9	17932.0
4	20352.2	21633.38	20019.9	21514.3	19856.7
5	20729.1	21941.51	20346.6	22325.3	20323.7
6	16749.3	17501.49	17129.5	17258.4	18324.2
7	17376.0	17715.65	17329.3	17862.2	18644.3
8	18582.5	19930.48	18950.5	19770.3	19579.7
9	22968.8	23045.09	23091.6	23032.2	23123.3
10	25339.6	25853.29	25573.3	25834.7	25704.8

Table S13. Calculated spin-free energies (cm<sup>-1</sup>) of the lowest ten terms of 1\_Mn1, 1\_Mn2, 1\_Mn3, 1\_Mn4 and 1\_Mn5 for complex 1 using CASSCF with OpenMolcas.

	Spin-	Energ						
	orbit states	y (cm <sup>-1</sup> )		Spin-fi	ee states, Spin,	Weights		
	1	0.0	1,2.0,0.9987	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0003	7,1.0,0.0002	19,1.0,0.0001	
	2	0.0	1,2.0,0.9987	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0003	7,1.0,0.0002	19,1.0,0.0001	
1_Mn1	3	10.0	1,2.0,0.9993	6,1.0,0.0002	3,2.0,0.0001	7,1.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	
	4	10.3	1,2.0,0.9993	7,1.0,0.0001	3,2.0,0.0001	6,1.0,0.0001	19,1.0,0.0001	
	5	13.6	1,2.0,0.9995	6,1.0,0.0001	7,1.0,0.0001	15,1.0,0.0001	5,2.0,0.0001	
	1	0.0	1,2.0,0.9988	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0002	7,1.0,0.0002	19,1.0,0.0001	
	2	0.0	1,2.0,0.9988	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0002	7,1.0,0.0002	19,1.0,0.0001	
1_Mn2	3	9.7	1,2.0,0.9993	6,1.0,0.0001	7,1.0,0.0001	3,2.0,0.0001	5,2.0,0.0001	
	4	10.3	1,2.0,0.9994	6,1.0,0.0001	7,1.0,0.0001	3,2.0,0.0001	19,1.0,0.0001	
	5	13.3	1,2.0,0.9995	6,1.0,0.0001	7,1.0,0.0001	15,1.0,0.0001	5,2.0,0.0000	
	1	0.0	1,2.0,0.9987	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0003	7,1.0,0.0002	19,1.0,0.0001	
	2	0.1	1,2.0,0.9987	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0003	7,1.0,0.0002	20,1.0,0.0001	
1 Mn3	3	9.8	1,2.0,0.9993	6,1.0,0.0003	3,2.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	19,1.0,0.0001	
-	4	10.9	1,2.0,0.9993	7,1.0,0.0002	3,2.0,0.0001	20,1.0,0.0001	5,2.0,0.0001	
	5	13.8	1,2.0,0.9995	7,1.0,0.0001	6,1.0,0.0001	15,1.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	
	1	0.0	1,2.0,0.9988	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0003	7,1.0,0.0002	16,1.0,0.0001	
	2	0.0	1,2.0,0.9988	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0003	7,1.0,0.0002	18,1.0,0.0001	
1 Mn4	3	9.4	1,2.0,0.9993	6,1.0,0.0002	3,2.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	16,1.0,0.0001	
-	4	10.5	1,2.0,0.9994	7,1.0,0.0002	3,2.0,0.0001	18,1.0,0.0001	5,2.0,0.0001	
	5	13.3	1,2.0,0.9995	7,1.0,0.0001	6,1.0,0.0001	15,1.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	
	1	0.0	1,2.0,0.9988	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0002	7,1.0,0.0002	16,1.0,0.0001	
	2	0.0	1,2.0,0.9988	3,2.0,0.0004	6,1.0,0.0002	7,1.0,0.0002	16,1.0,0.0001	
1 Mn5	3	9.5	1,2.0,0.9993	6,1.0,0.0002	3,2.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	16,1.0,0.0001	
_	4	10.2	1,2.0,0.9994	7,1.0,0.0002	3,2.0,0.0001	5,2.0,0.0001	17,1.0,0.0001	
	5	13.2	1,2.0,0.9995	15,1.0,0.0001	7,1.0,0.0001	4,2.0,0.0001	6,1.0,0.0001	

 

 Table S14. Calculated weights of the five most important spin-free states for the lowest five spinorbit states from 1\_Mn1 to 1\_Mn5 for complex 1 using CASSCF/RASSI-SO with OpenMolcas.

VD <sub>a</sub>		Zn <sub>2</sub> Dy			Dy-SIM		
KDS	$E/cm^{-1}$	g	m <sub>J</sub>	$E/cm^{-1}$	g	m <sub>J</sub>	
1	0.0	0.003	±15/2	0.0	0.0006	±15/2	
-	0.0	19.736	-10/2		19.879		
		0.035			0.064		
2	191.8	0.051	±13/2	393.6	0.083	$\pm 1/2$	
		17.157			16.980		
		0.298			0.898		
3	323.0	0.480	±11/2	626.2	1.598	$\pm 13/2$	
		14.179			13.487		
		1.134			4.839		
4	397.2	2.036	±9/2	720.0	5.998	$\pm 5/2$	
		11.432			9.747		
		1.644			1.204		
5	461.5	2.028	±7/2	781.2	3.824	±9/2	
		16.322			10.047		
		7.795			0.918		
6	496.3	5.997	$\pm 3/2$	799.4	4.582	$\pm 5/2$	
		0.035			13.008		
		2.543			0.141		
7	577.1	3.988	±1/2	806.4	0.269	±9/2	
		13.191			16.944		
		0.410			0.143		
8	680.7	1.449	±3/2	876.1	0.203	$\pm 3/2$	
		18.144			18.489		

**Table S15.** Calculated energy levels (cm<sup>-1</sup>),  $g(g_x, g_y, g_z)$  tensors and predominant  $m_J$  values of the lowest eight Kramers doublets (KDs) for **Zn<sub>2</sub>Dy** and **Dy-SIM** complexes using CASSCF/RASSI-SO with OpenMolcas.

	$E/cm^{-1}$	wave functions
	0.0	97.6% ±15/2>
	191.8	88.0% \\\\\\ 13/2> + 6.9% \\\\\\\\ 11/2>
	323.0	$73.9\%  \pm 11/2 > + 9.5\%  \pm 7/2 > + 7.9\%  \pm 13/2 > + 6.0\%  \pm 9/2 >$
	397.2	$68.8\%  \pm 9/2 > + 16.5\%  \pm 5/2 > + 6.5\%  \pm 7/2 > + 3.3\%  \pm 13/2 > + 2.5\%  \pm 11/2 > + 10.5\%  \pm 11/2 > + 10.5\%  \pm 10.5\%  $
Zn <sub>2</sub> Dy	461.5	$53.4\% \pm7/2> + 15.2\% \pm5/2> + 12.8\% \pm11/2> + 12.7\% \pm9/2> + 3.5\% \pm1/2>$
	496.3	$43.5\%  \pm 3/2 > + 24.1\%  \pm 5/2 > + 19.5\%  \pm 7/2 > + 8.4\%  \pm 1/2 > + 4.2\%  \pm 9/2 >$
	577.1	$54.1\% \pm 1/2 > + 25.1\% \pm 5/2 > + 14.0\% \pm 3/2 > + 4.1\% \pm 7/2 > + 2.5\% \pm 9/2 >$
	680.7	$38.6\%   \pm 3/2 > + 33.2\%   \pm 1/2 > + 19.7\%   \pm 5/2 > + 6.7\%   \pm 7/2 > + 1.5\%   \pm 9/2 >$
	0.0	99.6% ±15/2>
	393.6	99.0% ±13/2>+0.6% ±9/2>
	626.2	$90.1\%  \pm 11/2 > + 5.6\%  \pm 7/2 > + 2.3\%  \pm 1/2 > + 0.8\%  \pm 5/2 > + 0.8\%  \pm 3/2 >$
	720.0	$44.9\% \pm9/2> + 21.8\% \pm5/2> + 16.7\% \pm3/2> + 6.5\% \pm1/2> + 5.3\% \pm7/2> + 4.3\% \pm11/2>$
Dy- SIM	781.2	$34.9\% \pm 1/2> + 33.4\% \pm 9/2> + 15.6\% \pm 7/2> + 11.8\% \pm 3/2> + 2.6\% \pm 11/2> + 1.1\% \pm 5/2$
	799.4	$45.2\% \pm 1/2> + 33.5\% \pm 9/2> + 25.9\% \pm 3/2> + 16.1\% \pm 7/2> + 2.6\% $ $\pm 11/2>$
	806.4	38.9% ±5/2> + 27.8% ±3/2> + 23.4% ±7/2> + 3.0% ±9/2> + 6.5% ±1/2>
	876.1	$34.9\% \pm 5/2> + 31.4\% \pm 7/2> + 16.9\% \pm 3/2> + 10.6\% \pm 9/2> + 4.3\% \pm 1/2> + 1.7\% \pm 11/2>$

**Table S16.** Wave functions with definite projection of the total moment  $|m_J\rangle$  for the lowest eight KDs of Dy in **Zn<sub>2</sub>Dy** and **Dy-SIM** complexes using CASSCF/RASSI-SO with OpenMolcas.



**Figure S14.** The plot shown the mean of  $\theta$ , employing Dy1-O16 as an example. The teal arrow represents the direction of the main magnetic axis of Dy1 calculated by OpenMolcas.



Figure S15. Magnetization blocking barriers for individual fragments of  $Zn_2Dy$  (left) and Dy-SIM (right) obtained by SINGLE\_ANISO calculations. The red lines represent the QTM process, while the blue/violet lines represent the Orbach/Raman processes. The numbers near the paths are averaged transition moments in  $\mu_B$ , connecting the corresponding states.



Figure S16. Calculated orientations of the local magnetic axes on  $Dy^{III}$  for complex  $Zn_2Dy$  in its ground KDs. The main axes and the equatorial sites of Dy1 were shown by green arrows and by blue planes, respectively.



**Figure S17**. Calculated orientations of the local magnetic axes on Dy<sup>III</sup> for complex **Dy-SIM** in its ground KDs. The main axes and the equatorial sites of Dy1 were shown by green arrows and by blue planes, respectively.

Bonds	Bond lengths	$\theta_{\rm i}$ or $\theta_{\rm j}$	$\sin \theta_{i(j)}$	$\cos \theta_{i(j)}$	$R_{\rm eq}{}^{\rm a}$	$R_{\mathrm{ax}}{}^{\mathrm{b}}$	$U_{\rm cal}({\rm cm}^{-1})$
			1				
Dy1-O15	2.298	113.956	0.9139	-0.4060			
Dy1-O16	2.38	48.515	0.7491	0.6624			
Dy1-O17	2.433	41.484	0.6624	0.7491			
Dy1-O30	2.377	94.344	0.9971	-0.0757			
Dy1-O31	2.435	99.698	0.9857	-0.1685	17.99	-0.25	296.17
Dy1-O33	2.328	161.142	0.3232	-0.9463			
Dy1-N2	2.555	105.369	0.9642	-0.2650			
Dy1-N6	2.604	110.280	0.9380	-0.3466			
Dy1-N17	2.649	51.331	0.7808	0.6248			
Dy2-018	2.336	68.413	0.9299	0.3679			
Dy2-019	2.477	70.522	0.9428	0.3334			
Dy2-O20	2.396	141.323	0.6249	-0.7807			
Dv2-O21	2.321	79.144	0.9821	0.1883			
Dy2-022	2.437	5.474	0.0954	0.9954	17.40	0.34	76.45
Dy2-O23	2.291	125.647	0.8126	-0.5828			
Dy2-N10	2.660	134.425	0.7142	-0.7000			
Dy2-N18	2.605	84.858	0.9960	0.0896			
Dv2-N19	2.604	76.044	0.9705	0.2412			
Dv3-O24	2.302	118.212	0.8812	-0.4727			
Dv3-025	2.359	26.677	0.4490	0.8936			
Dv3-026	2.492	116.491	0.8950	-0.4461			
Dv3-027	2.412	106 431	0.9592	-0 2829			
Dy3-O28	2.424	162.248	0.3049	-0.9524	16.28	-0.76	98.39
Dv3-029	2.323	31.809	0.5271	0.8498	10.20	0.70	20.22
Dv3-N14	2.601	42.983	0.6818	0.7316			
Dy3-N20	2.625	98 771	0.9883	-0 1525			
Dv3-N21	2.586	116 607	0 8941	-0 4479			
	2.000	110.007	Zn2Dv	0.1175			
Dv1-01	2.321	136.775	0.6849	-0.7287			
Dv1-O2	2.608	49.471	0.7601	0.6498			
Dv1-03	2.275	167.264	0.2205	-0.9754			
Dv1-04	2.771	123.847	0.8305	-0.5570			
Dv1-05	2.303	21.761	0.3707	0.9287	15.69	-0.12	397.25
Dv1-06	2.538	101.694	0.9792	-0.2027	10.05	0.12	037120
Dv1-07	2.307	25.845	0.4359	0.9000			
Dv1-08	2.578	87 557	0 9991	0.0426			
Dv1-09	2.397	94.107	0.9974	-0.0716			
	2.337	,	Dv-S	IM			
Dv1-01	2,163	160.958	0.3263	-0.9453			
Dv1-N1	2.578	101.530	0.9798	-0.1999			
Dv1-N2	2.594	98.081	0.9901	-0.1406	14.45	-5.9 × 10 <sup>-5</sup>	720.02
Dv1-Br1	2.851	89,993	1.0000	0.0001	1 11 12	0.0	,20.02
Dy1-O1a	2.163	19.050	0.3264	0.9452			
Dv1-N1a	2.578	78.479	0.9799	0.1997			
Dy1-N2a	2.594	81.918	0.9901	0.1406			

**Table S17**. The details for analyzing the relationship among the  $U_{cal}$  values of  $1_Dy1 \sim 1_Dy3$  in 1, and Dy fragments in  $Zn_2Dy$  complex as well as in **Dy-SIM** complex, the Dy-O or Dy-N bond lengths as well the  $\theta$  angles.

Note:

<sup>a</sup>The equation for calculating the  $R_{eq}$  parameter is:

$$R_{eq} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} r_i sin\theta_i + \sum_{j=1}^{l} r_j sin\theta_j$$

<sup>b</sup>The equation for calculating the  $R_{ax}$  parameter is:

$$R_{ax} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} r_i cos\theta_i + \sum_{j=1}^{l} r_j cos\theta_j$$

In the two equations,  $R_{eq}$  and  $R_{ax}$  are the parameters for describing the physical characteristics on the equation plane and along the axial directions of each Dy<sup>III</sup> in **1**.  $r_i$  and  $r_j$  represent the bond lengths of Dy-O and Dy-N for each Dy<sup>III</sup> (*i* and *j* are the number of O atoms and N atoms around each Dy<sup>III</sup>), while  $\theta_i$  and  $\theta_j$  represent the angles between Dy-O or Dy-N and the main magnetic axes of each Dy<sup>III</sup> (see Figure S15). To fit the intramolecular magnetic interactions between paramagnetic ions in **1**, we taken two steps to obtain them. Firstly, we calculated individual Dy<sup>III</sup> and Mn<sup>III</sup> fragments using CASSCF/RASSI-SO to obtain the corresponding magnetic properties. Then, exchange interaction between the magnetic center was considered within the Lines model, which is effective and has been successfully used widely in the research field of d- and f-elements single molecule magnets.<sup>S37-S38</sup> From Figure S15, the magnetic couplings within **1** were extracted using the Hamiltonian:

$$H_{exch} = -\mathcal{Y}_{1}\hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Dy1}\hat{S}_{Mn1} - J_{2}(\hat{S}_{Dy1}\hat{S}_{Mn2} + \hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Dy1}\hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Mn4}) - \mathcal{Y}_{3}(\hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Dy2}\hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Mn2} + \hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Dy3}\hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Mn4}) - \mathcal{Y}_{4}(\hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Dy2}\hat{S}_{Mn3} - \hat{\mathcal{Y}}_{Dy3}\hat{S}_{Mn5})$$

In this equation,  $\mathscr{Y}_{i}$  values are the total magnetic interactions in combination of calculated  $\mathscr{Y}_{i}^{\text{polar}}$  and the fitted  $\mathscr{Y}_{i}^{\text{sch}}$  parameters, in which  $\mathscr{Y}_{i}^{\text{spolar}}$  and  $\mathscr{Y}_{i}^{\text{sch}}$  represent dipolar interactions and exchange coupling interactions, respectively. The Lines exchange couplings were fitted through comparison of the computed<sup>S39</sup> and the experimental magnetic susceptibilities using POLY\_ANISO program.<sup>S33-S34,S40</sup>



Figure S18. The coupling model for 1.

Table S18. The details for calculating intramolecular dipole-dipole interaction  $J_{dip}$  in 1 by

$$\tilde{j}_{dip} = -\frac{\mu_B^2 g_{1z} g_{2z}}{r^3} (\cos\theta - 3\cos\varphi_1 \cos\varphi_2)$$

employing the equation of  $r^3$ ,  $s^{841}$  in which  $\mu_B^2 = 0.4329701512063995$  cm<sup>-1</sup>/T, r is the distances between Mn<sup>III</sup> and Dy<sup>III</sup>,  $\theta$  is the angle between the main magnetic axes of Mn<sup>III</sup> and Dy<sup>III</sup>, and  $\varphi_1$  or  $\varphi_2$  represent the angles between the main magnetic axis of Mn<sup>III</sup> or Dy<sup>III</sup> and Mn<sup>III...</sup>Dy<sup>III</sup> lines, respectively.

$J_{ m idip}$	$\mathbf{g}_z$ of Dy	$\mathbf{g}_z$ of Mn	r (Å)	θ (°)	$\varphi_1$ (°)	$\varphi_2(^\circ)$	$A^*$ values	$J_{dip}$ values
<i>j</i> <sub>1dip</sub>	19.6779	1.9679	3.340	90.670	161.59	83.353	0.3177	-0.14
j̃ <sub>2dip</sub>	19.6779	1.9687	3.505	85.666	73.072	100.17	0.2165	-0.08
j <sub>3dip</sub>	18.8705	1.9687	3.360	66.751	92.884	87.647	0.8338	-0.36
j̃₄ <sub>dip</sub>	18.8705	1.9669	3.412	91.861	97.391	91.647	-0.7741	0.32

Note: 1)  $\tilde{j}_{1dip}$ ,  $\tilde{j}_{2dip}$ ,  $\tilde{j}_{3dip}$  and  $\tilde{j}_{4dip}$  were calculated by employing Mn1…Dy1, Dy1…Mn2, Mn2…Dy2 and Dy2…Mn3 pairs, respectively. 2)  $A^* = cos\theta - 3cos\varphi_1 cos\varphi_2$ .

#### **DFT calculations**

The density functional theory (DFT) calculations were performed with ORCA 5.0.4 software.<sup>S42-S43</sup> The PBE0 hybrid functional was employed for calculating the isotropic exchange constants J,<sup>S44</sup> which were obtained according to the Ruiz's approach by comparing the energies of high-spin (HS) and broken-symmetry (BS) spin states.<sup>S45</sup> The computational model was constructed by replacing the Dy<sup>III</sup> in the crystal structure of 1 by Gd<sup>III</sup>. During the calculation, the relativistic effects were included with zero-order regular approximation (ZORA)<sup>S46</sup> together with the scalar relativistic contracted version of the basis functions: zora-def2-TZVP for Mn<sup>III</sup>, SARC2-zora-QZV for Gd<sup>III</sup>, zora-def2-TZVP(-f) for O and N atoms, and zora-def2-SVP for C and H atoms.<sup>S47</sup> Additionally, the calculations employed the RI approximation with the def2/J and SARC/J Coulomb fitting basis set as an auxiliary basis set<sup>S48</sup> and the chain-of-spheres (RIJCOSX) approximation to exact exchange implemented in ORCA.<sup>S49</sup> The tight grid (Defgrid3 in ORCA 5.0.4 convention) and the tight self-consistent field convergence criteria (tightscf in ORCA 5.0.4 convention) were employed in all calculations. Notably, when the default value of 0.85 for dampfac parameter in ORCA was employed, the calculations for HS and different BS states can not be converged, so the dampfac value was set to be 0.95.

States	Derived energies	Derived $\Delta_i (\Delta_i = E_{BSi} - E_{HS})$
Mn1Gd1Mn2Gd2Mn3Mn4Gd3Mn5	143 143 143	
	$E_{\rm HS} = -4 J_1 - 2 J_2 - J_3 - $	
Gd1Mn2Gd2Mn3Mn4Gd3Mn5	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$\Delta_1 = 32J_1$
	$E_{BS1} = -4J_1 - 2J_2 - 2J_3 - \frac{143}{2}$	
Gd1Gd2Mn3Mn4Gd3Mn5	$2 J_4$ $\frac{15}{4} = \frac{158}{4} = \frac{158}{4} = \frac{158}{4}$	$\varDelta_2 = 32J_1 + 32J_2 + 32J_3$
	$E_{BS2} = -4J_1 - 4J_2 - 4J_3 - \frac{143}{2}$	
Mn1Mn2Gd2Mn3Mn4Gd3Mn5	$\frac{15}{4}$ $\frac{15}{2}$ $\frac{143}{2}$ $\frac{143}{2}$	$\varDelta_3 = 32J_1 + 64J_2$
Gd1Gd2Gd3	$E_{\text{BS3}} = -4J_1 - 2J_2 - 2J_3 - 2J_4$ $\frac{15}{4} - \frac{15}{2} - \frac$	$\varDelta_4 = 32J_1 + 64J_2 + 64J_3 + 64J_4$
	$E_{\rm BS4} = -4 J_1 - 2 J_2 - 2 J_3 - 2 J_4$	
From the energy data in Table S1	9, we can obtain the $J_i$ as follows:	

**Table 19.** States, derived energies and derived  $\Delta_i$  for Gd Analogue of 1 by employing the Hamiltonian of  $H = -J_1 S_{Mn1} S_{Gd1} - J_2 (S_{Mn2} S_{Gd1} + S_{Mn4} S_{Gd1}) - J_3 (S_{Mn2} S_{Gd2} + S_{Mn4} S_{Gd3}) - J_4 (S_{Mn3} S_{Gd2} + S_{Mn5} S_{Gd3})$  (the employed mode shown in Figure S15).

 $\begin{array}{c} \Delta_1 \\ J_1 = \overline{32}; \\ J_2 = \overline{64}; \\ J_3 = \overline{64}; \\ J_3 = \overline{64}; \\ J_4 = \overline{64}; \\ J_4 = \overline{64} \end{array}$ 

Table S20. The information for HS state and different BS states calculated from the DFT calculations for Gd Analogue of 1.

States	Energies (Eh)	$S^2$	Calculated $\Delta_i$ (Eh)
HS	-47454.851267	440.9894	
BS1	-47454.851388	292.9888	-0.000121
BS2	-47454.852072	176.9844	-0.000805
BS3	-47454.851449	202.9882	-0.000182
BS4	-47454.851740	20.9871	-0.000473

From Table S20, the calculated  $J_i$  (1 Eh = 219474.63137 cm<sup>-1</sup>) are:  $J_1 = -0.83$  cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $J_2 = -0.21$  cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $J_3 = -4.48$  cm<sup>-1</sup>,  $J_4 = 3.48$  cm<sup>-1</sup>.

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