Supporting Information

SIMDAVIS 1.2: Phosphonates are outstanding SIM ligands. Crown ethers are not.

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1. What have we changed in the dataset?

The rapid development of synthetic strategies that allow the design of coordination compounds with lanthanide ions and that also have magnetic properties, has generated many compounds in the last three decades. The realization that lanthanide SIMs were not restricted to a single chemical family inspired a large community of chemists to explore different types of compounds, with no single chemical strategy dominating in terms of reported examples.

In a first approximation, of Duan et al. 2022 ¹, collected and categorized 1411 compounds that present SIM properties between the years 2003 to 2019, developing a user-friendly dashboard-style web application named SIMDAVIS (Single Ion Magnet DAta VISualisation).

These compounds are organized into 9 chemical families: LnPc2, polyoxometalates (POM), Schiff base, metallocenes, diketonates, radicals, TM near Ln, mixed ligands and other families. In a new review of the systems reported on this platform, we have carefully analyzed the "Mixed Ligands" families with 553 compounds and "Other families" with 202 compounds, to be able to reassign some of the systems reported in those families or to define new families.

2. Classification into chemical families.

The analysis of the structures of the ligands allowed us to reassign: 108 records to the Diketonate family, 35 to Schiff base, 3 to POM and 1 to Metallocene from the Mixed ligands family. Interestingly, the analysis of the samples also allowed us to evidence the presence of two large groups of ligands that were not categorized as a family, due to their chemical similarity as well as their dynamic magnetic response. which defines their SIM properties.

2.1. Phosphonate and derivatives

The first of these new families corresponds to "phosphonate", where the presence of the functional group P=O stands out, with oxygen joining the lanthanide and which presents 54 samples between "Mixed ligands" and "Other families". This family includes all complexes where Ln³⁺ coordinates with at least 2 oxygens belonging to the P=O functional group of a phosphonate, phosphinate or phosphate. In general, these compounds are characterized by the presence of a P-C bond, which has a lower tendency to hydrolysis than the P-O bond and are excellent multidentate ligands due to the three potential coordination oxygens that provide versatility. The most frequent coordination numbers are 6, 7, 8 and 9 with octahedral, bipyramidal pentagonal, triangular dodecahedron and muffin geometries, respectively. Examples for each coordination number are shown in Figure 1 of the main draft.

| sample_ID | CCDC_COD_ID | NC | Ln ³⁺ | $\mathbf{U}_{\mathrm{eff}}$ | Ln-O(P) axial distances | Ln-O(P) equatorial distances |
|-----------|-------------|----|------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| 295 | COD7115327 | 6 | Dy | 42.9 | 2.253 | 2.223; 2.220 |
| 375 | COD4337817 | 7 | Dy | - | 2.296; 2.271 | 2.276; 2.309; 2.321; 2.330 |
| 448 | CCDC1035243 | 8 | Dy | 32 | 2.292; 2.472; 2.423 | |
| 449 | CCDC1035243 | 8 | Dy | 29.3 | 2.292; 2.472; 2.423 | |
| 450 | CCDC1035242 | 8 | Dy | 83 | 2.287; 2.220; 2.449 | |
| 451 | CCDC1035242 | 8 | Dy | 89.5 | 2.287; 2.220; 2.449 | |
| 540 | COD4348425 | 7 | Dy | - | 2.257 | 2.435; 2.263 |
| 541 | COD4348425 | 7 | Dy | 38.2 | 2.257 | 2.435; 2.263 |

Table S1. Structural parameters of the Phosphonate family (axial and equatorial P=O distances, only) and showing the U_{eff} values of the reported complexes.

| 572 | NA | 7 | Er | 26.8 | | |
|------|-------------|---|------|------|--------------|---------------------|
| 680 | COD4124922 | 7 | Dy | 472 | 2.218; 2.221 | |
| 681 | COD4124921 | 7 | Dy | 543 | 2.190; 2.210 | |
| 682 | COD4124922 | 7 | Dy | 474 | 2.218; 2.221 | |
| 683 | COD4124921 | 7 | Dy | - | 2.190; 2.210 | |
| 781 | COD1543092 | 7 | Dy | 651 | 2.203; 2.209 | |
| 895 | CCDC1519259 | 7 | Dy | 508 | 2.217 | |
| 896 | CCDC1519259 | 7 | Dy | 467 | 2.217 | |
| 943 | COD4345707 | 6 | Dy | 25.2 | 2.247 | 2.252; 2.261 |
| 944 | COD4345707 | 6 | Dy | 29.4 | 2.247 | 2.252; 2.261 |
| 945 | CCDC904371 | 6 | Dy | 12.6 | 2.252 | 2.247; 2.261 |
| 1035 | CCDC1529266 | 7 | Но | - | 2.199 | |
| 1036 | CCDC1529266 | 7 | Но | - | 2.199 | |
| 1046 | CCDC1833630 | 9 | Dy | 20.4 | 2.376; 2.433 | 2.373 |
| 1047 | CCDC1833632 | 9 | Dy | - | 2.385; 2.447 | 2.384 |
| 1059 | COD7121940 | 7 | Dy | 460 | 2.210; 2.228 | |
| 1060 | COD7121940 | 7 | Dy-Y | - | 2.210; 2.228 | |
| 1061 | COD7121941 | 7 | Dy | 600 | 2.202; 2.209 | |
| 1062 | COD7121941 | 7 | Dy-Y | - | 2.202; 2.209 | |
| 1168 | NA | 7 | Nd | - | | |
| 1203 | CCDC1818726 | 6 | Dy | - | | 2.235 |
| 1208 | COD1556607 | 9 | Dy | - | 2.278; 2.295 | 2.283 |
| 1209 | COD1556608 | 8 | Dy | - | 2.248; 2.284 | 2.284; 2.248 |
| 1210 | COD1556609 | 6 | Dy | - | | 2.225; 2.235; 2.287 |
| 1211 | COD1556610 | 6 | Dy | - | | 2.231; 2.246 |
| 1214 | COD4132550 | 6 | Dy | 51.2 | 2.223; 2.224 | |
| 1255 | CCDC1850934 | 9 | Dy | 29.1 | 2.260; 2.304 | 2.269 |
| 1256 | NA | 9 | Dy | - | | |
| 1257 | CCDC1850933 | 9 | Dy | - | 2.223 | 2.253 |
| 1258 | CCDC1850936 | 6 | Dy | - | 2.221; 2.224 | 2.201; 2.191 |
| 1259 | CCDC1850935 | 6 | Dy | - | 2.213 | 2.315; 2.208 |
| 1307 | COD7048451 | 7 | Dy | 556 | 2.195; 2.228 | |
| 1308 | COD7048451 | 7 | Dy | 550 | 2.195; 2.228 | |
| 1309 | CCDC1884676 | 8 | Dy | 40.5 | 2.279 | 2.223; 2.220 |

2.2. Crown Ether

This family includes compounds where the Ln³⁺ ion is coordinated with at least one crown ether ligand and the entire coordination sphere with other small ligands. The crown ether ligands are polydentate heterocycles and are linked through the oxygen atom or some other heteroatom (usually N). The IUPAC nomenclature establishes a system of numbers and letters to indicate the number of atoms in the cycle and the number of heteroatoms in the cycle, the most frequent being 12-C-4, 15-C-5 and 18-C-6, which indicate a heterocycle of 12 atoms with 4 oxygens, 15 atoms with 5 oxygens and 18 atoms with 6 oxygens, respectively. In general, lanthanide complexes with crown ethers have coordination numbers of 8, 9 and 10. Synthetic strategies are based on modifying the size of the corona to generate favorable environments for lanthanide ions, forming

half-sandwich, sandwich and belt-type structures. For this family, the highest U_{eff} value is 75.9 K for a halfsandwich crown ether Dy^{3+} complex with coordination number 10 and a sphenocorona geometry reported by Li et al.² Zheng et al. report the synthesis of Dy^{3+} complexes with two equivalents of 12-C-4 to obtain a sandwich-type complex with a biaugmented trigonal prism geometry and a U_{eff} of 63 K ³, as well as the synthesis of belt-type complexes, with the heterocycle in the equatorial plane, giving geometries of sphenocorona and Spherical capped square antiprism. (Figure S1).



Figure S1. Molecular structures of some representative Ln-Crown ether SIMs and some of their chemical and magnetic descriptors. Colour scheme for atoms: cyan, Ln; grey, C; blue, N; yellow, P; red, O. H atoms are not shown for clarity.

3. Linear Relation of the Chemical Families between the effective magnetic energy barrier and the relaxation time

As one can see in Table S2, the slopes are generally in the range between 1.5 and 3.5, with the exception of the crown ether family. There is a remarkable closeness to a slope equal to 3 in the case of metallocene complexes (2.98), followed by phosphonates (2.94) with every other family presenting deviations of about 10% and above.

Table S2. Fitting of experimental data of $ln(\tau_0)$ vs $ln(U_{eff})$ for the all the Chemical Families

| | | | Other | TM near | | Schiff | | | Mixed | | Crown |
|-----------|--------|-------------|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|------------|-------------|------------|----------|--------|
| | LnPc2 | Radical | Families | Ln | POM | Base | Diketonate | Metallocene | Ligands | P=O | Ether |
| Intercept | 3.6168 | 107210.4497 | 361.9649 | 2745.3790 | 73.3419 | 2122.8038 | 3147.0556 | 43.7667 | 1.0537E-05 | 502.7665 | 0.0019 |
| Slopes | 3.3448 | 1.7490 | 2.7032 | 2.0879 | 3.4472 | 2.3513 | 1.6321 | 2.9815 | 1.2406 | 2.9357 | 6.5018 |

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