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for

"A family of 13 tetranuclear zinc(II)-lanthanide(III) complexes of a [3+3] Schiff-base macrocycle derived from 1,4-diformyl-2,3-dihydroxybenzene"

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A note on disorder modeling in $[Zn_3Pr(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_2(DMF)_3](NO_3) \cdot 0.45DMF$: Two of the three aliphatic propylene linkages are disordered. In one linkage, the central carbon is disordered over two sites labelled C21 and C81 with 0.75 and 0.25 occupancy, respectively. Carbon atoms C20 and C22 are not disordered but the hydrogens on these atoms are partitioned so as to avoid using EADP/EXYZ commands. In the other propylene linkage, two of the carbon atoms are disordered; one atom is split into C32 and C82 (0.6 and 0.4 occupancy, respectively) and the second disordered atom is split into C33 and C83 (0.6 and 0.4 occupancy, respectively). Carbon atom C31 is not disordered but the attached hydrogen atoms are again partitioned to avoid EADP/EXYZ. The non-coordinated solvent DMF molecule is disordered two over intertwinned two positions that do not share a common atom. The positions have 0.4 and 0.5 occupancies given an average occupancy of 0.45.

NMR Data



Figure S1. ¹H NMR spectrum of $Zn_3La(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_2(MeOH)_3(NO_3) \cdot MeOH \cdot H_2O$ (dired under vacuum prior to measurement) in DMF- d_7 .



Figure S2. ¹H NMR spectrum of $[Zn_5(L^1)_5(H_2O)_6]$ ·3H₂O (dired under vacuum prior to measurement) in DMF- d_7 at the temperatures indicated.



Magnetic data

Figure S3. Field dependence of magnetization for $Zn_3Ln(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ xsolvents complexes.



Figure S4. The in-phase (χ') and out-of-phase (χ'') components of the ac susceptibility of Zn₃Gd($\mathbf{L}^{\mathbf{Pr}}$)(NO₃)₃·3MeOH in a 1000 Hz field, illustrative of the dynamic behavior of the Zn₃Ln($\mathbf{L}^{\mathbf{Pr}}$)(NO₃)₃·xsolvents complexes (Ln = Ce, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Ho, Er, Tm or Yb) in zero dc field.



Figure S5. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Sm(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ · 3MeOH· 3H₂O with the external dc fields indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S6. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Tb(\mathbf{L}^{\mathbf{Pr}})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 3MeOH \cdot H_2O$ with the external dc fields indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S7. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Ho(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 2MeOH \cdot 4H_2O$ with the external dc fields indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S8. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Tm(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ ·3MeOH with the external dc fields indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S9. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Er(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 2MeOH \cdot 5H_2O$ with the external dc fields indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S10. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Er(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 2MeOH \cdot 5H_2O$ with a 1000 Oe external dc field at the temperatures indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S11. (Left) Frequency dependence of the in-phase component of ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Yb(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3\cdot 4MeOH$ with the external dc fields indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S12. (Left) The frequency dependence of the in-phase component of the ac susceptibility of $Zn_3Yb(\mathbf{L}^{\mathbf{Pr}})(NO_3)_3\cdot 4MeOH$ under a 500 Oe dc field at the temperatures indicated. (Right) Frequency dependence of the out-of-phase component



Figure S13. The relaxation time of $Zn_3Yb(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ ·4MeOH as a function of temperature. The relaxation plot is described by two Arrhenius laws in different temperature regimes (left) and a nonlinear Arrhenius plot (right). The red solid lines are the fittings. See the text for more detailed information.





Figure S14. Luminescence decay of Zn₃Nd(L^{Pr})(NO₃)₃·3MeOH·H₂O measured at 1055 nm in the solid state.



Figure S15. Luminescence decay of $Zn_3Er(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 3MeOH \cdot H_2O$ measured at 1560 nm in the solid state.



Figure S16. Luminescence decay of $Zn_3Yb(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 3MeOH \cdot H_2O$ measured at 980 nm in the solid state.



Figure S17. Luminescence decay of Zn₃Nd(L^{Pr})(NO₃)₃·3MeOH·H₂O measured at 1055 nm in solution.



Figure S18. Luminescence decay of Zn₃Yb(L^{Pr})(NO₃)₃·3MeOH·H₂O measured at 980 nm in solution.



Figure S19. Luminescence emission spectrum of $Zn_3Nd(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ ·3MeOH·H₂O upon 337 nm excitation in the solid state.



Figure S20. Luminescence emission spectrum of $Zn_3Nd(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 3MeOH \cdot H_2O$ upon 337 nm excitation in solution.



Figure S21. Luminescence emission spectrum of $Zn_3Er(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3 \cdot 3MeOH \cdot H_2O$ upon 337 nm excitation in the solid state.



Figure S22. Luminescence emission spectrum of $Zn_3Yb(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ ·3MeOH·H₂O upon 337 nm excitation in solution.



Figure S23. Luminescence emission spectrum of $Zn_3Yb(L^{Pr})(NO_3)_3$ ·3MeOH·H₂O upon 337 nm excitation in the solid state.

checkCIF/PLATON report (basic structural check)

Datablock: fdk99_0

| Bond precisio | on: $C-C = 0.00$ | 30 A | Wavelength=0.71073 |
|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Cell: | a=13.2518(17) b=1 | 5.4056(19) c=18.8 | 36(2) |
| | alpha=82.352(7)bet | a=70.545(6) gamma= | 87.186(7) |
| Temperature: | 93 K | | |
| | Calculated | | Reported |
| Volume | 3593.6(8) | | 3593.6(8) |
| Space group | P -1 | | P-1 |
| Hall group | -P 1 | | ? |
| Moiety formu | C58 H62 N6 C O) | D26 Zn5, 2(C3 H7 N | ? |
| Sum formula | C64 H76 N8 (| 028 Zn5 | C64 H76 N8 O28 Zn5 |
| Mr | 1732.28 | | 1732.18 |
| Dx,g cm-3 | 1.601 | | 1.601 |
| Z | 2 | | 2 |
| Mu (mm-1) | 1.734 | | 1.734 |
| F000 | 1780.0 | | 1780.0 |
| F000' | 1783.64 | | |
| h,k,lmax | 16,19,23 | | 16,19,23 |
| Nref | 15158 | | 14935 |
| Tmin,Tmax | 0.680,0.812 | | 0.631,0.819 |
| Tmin' | 0.631 | | |
| Correction me | ethod= MULTI-SCAN | | |
| Data complete | eness= 0.985 | Theta(max) = 26.67 | 0 |
| R(reflections | (3) = 0.0249(13088) | wR2(reflection | s)= 0.0637(14935) |
| S = 1.037 | Npar= 962 | 2 | |

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Alert level B

| PLAT230_ALERT_2_B Hirshfeld Test Diff for N5 C53 : | 12.76 su |
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| ●Alert level C | |
| PLAT220_ALERT_2_C Large Non-Solvent C Ueq(max)/Ueq(min) 3.42 Ratio | |
| PLAT232_ALERT_2_C Hirshfeld Test Diff (M-X) Zn4 O25 su | 8.12 |
| PLAT048_ALERT_1_C MoietyFormula Not Given PLAT125_ALERT_4_C No '_symmetry_space_group_name_Hall' Given ? | ? n |
| PLAT790_ALERT_4_C Centre of Gravity not Within Unit Cell: Resd. # C3 H7 N O | 2 |
| • Alert level G PLAT432 ALERT 2 G Short Inter X Y Contact Q20 C48 | 3 01 |

Ang. PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 1

O13 - ZN5 - O1 - C1 - 69.00 0.70 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 6 O13 - ZN5 - O1 - ZN3 113.50 0.70 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 61 O9 -ZN1 -O5 -C9 -83.10 0.70 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 66 O9 -ZN1 -O5 -ZN3 110.30 0.60 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 101 O5 -ZN1 -O9 -C17 -21.00 0.70 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 131 O1 -ZN5 -O13 -C25 -27.80 0.70 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710 ALERT 4 G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 207 O23 -ZN2 -O22 -C44 164.00 0.50 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 215 O22 - ZN2 - O23 - C47 116.00 0.50 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 217 O25 - ZN4 - O24 - C50 169.70 0.50 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 224 O24 -ZN4 -O25 -C53 103.80 0.50 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT794 ALERT 5 G Note: Tentative Bond Valency for Zn1 2.13 PLAT794_ALERT_5_G Note: Tentative Bond Valency for Zn2 2.14 PLAT794_ALERT_5_G Note: Tentative Bond Valency for Zn3 PLAT794_ALERT_5_G Note: Tentative Bond Valency for Zn4 2.17 2.12 PLAT794_ALERT_5_G Note: Tentative Bond Valency for Zn5 2.11

checkCIF/PLATON report (basic structural check)

Datablock: fdk122

Bond precision: C-C = 0.0045 A Wavelength=0.71073 Cell: a=12.6867(14) b=14.9480(18) c=15.631(2)

| alpha= | 67.354(6) beta=89.080(6) gamma=7 | 6.787(5) | |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| Temperature:92 K | | | |
| | Calculated | Reported | |
| Volume | 2654.8(6) | 2654.8(6) | |
| Space group | P -1 | P-1 | |
| Hall group | -P 1 | ? | |
| | 2(C42 H50 N11 O15 Pr Zn3), | | |
| Moiety formula | 0.4(C6 H14 N2 O2), C3 H7 N O, 2(N O | ? | |
| Sum formula | C89.40 H112.60 N25.80 O37.80 Pr2 Zn6 | C44.70 H56.30 N12.90 O18.90 Pr Zn3 | |
| Mr | 2827.62 | 1413.75 | |
| Dx,g cm-3 | 1.769 | 1.769 | |
| Z | 1 | 2 | |
| Mu (mm-1) | 2.328 | 2.328 | |
| F000 | 1430.0 | 1430.0 | |
| F000' | 1431.83 | | |
| h,k,lmax | 15,18,19 | 15,18,19 | |
| Nref | 11079 | 10889 | |
| Tmin,Tmax | 0.756,0.911 | 0.542,0.913 | |
| Tmin' | 0.497 | | |
| Correction method= | MULTI-SCAN | | |
| Data completeness= | 0.983 Theta(max) = 26.570 | | |
| R(reflections) = 0.0321(9753) wR2(reflections) = 0.0729(10889) | | | |
| S = 1.049 | Npar= 749 | | |

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Alert level A

| PLAT220_ALERT_2_A Large Non-Solvent C | Ueq(ma | ax)/Ueq(n | nin) | |
|--|--------|-----------|------|------|
| 5.39 Ratio | | | | |
| PLAT430_ALERT_2_A Short Inter DA Contact | 070 | 075 | | 0.23 |
| Ang. | | | | |
| PLAT430_ALERT_2_A Short Inter DA Contact | 070 | N75 | | 2.31 |
| Ang. | | | | |
| PLAT430_ALERT_2_A Short Inter DA Contact | N70 | N75 | | 0.44 |
| Ang. | | | | |
| PLAT430_ALERT_2_A Short Inter DA Contact | N70 | 075 | | 2.27 |
| Ang. | | | | |
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QAlert level B

PLAT242_ALERT_2_B Check Low Ueq as Compared to Neighbors for N75

Alert level C

| PLAT222_ALERT_3_C Large Non-Solv | vent H Uiso(max)/Uso(min) |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 4.76 Ratio | |
| PLAT241_ALERT_2_C Check High | Ueq as Compared to Neighbors for |
| N1 | |
| PLAT242_ALERT_2_C Check Low | Ueq as Compared to Neighbors for |
| N60 | |
| PLAT242_ALERT_2_C Check Low | Ueq as Compared to Neighbors for |
| C33 | |
| PLAT242_ALERT_2_C Check Low | Ueq as Compared to Neighbors for |
| C82 | |
| PLAT411_ALERT_2_C Short Inter H | .H Contact H18 H32B 2.06 |
| Ang. | |

| PLAT413_ALERT_2_C Short Inter XH3 XHn H62B H62B | 2.12 |
|---|------|
| Ang. | |
| PLAT041_ALERT_1_C Calc. and Reported SumFormula Strings Differ | |
| ? | |
| PLAT045_ALERT_1_C Calculated and Reported Z Differ by | 0.50 |
| Ratio | |
| PLAT048_ALERT_1_C MoietyFormula Not Given | ? |
| PLAT125_ALERT_4_C No '_symmetry_space_group_name_Hall' Given | |
| ? | |
| PLAT234_ALERT_4_C Large Hirshfeld Difference C20 C81 | 0.18 |
| Ang. | |
| PLAT244_ALERT_4_C Low 'Solvent' Ueq as Compared to Neighbors of | |
| N30 | |
| PLAT790_ALERT_4_C Centre of Gravity not Within Unit Cell: Resd. # | 4 |
| N 03 | |
| | |

Alert level G

| PLAT083_ALERT_2_G SHELXL Second Parameter in WGHT Unusually | / Large. |
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| PLAT301_ALERT_3_G Note: Main Residue Disorder | 8.00 |
| Perc. | |
| C19 | |
| PLAT432_ALERT_2_G Short Inter XY Contact 070 C75 | 1.26 |
| Ang. | |
| PLAT432_ALERT_2_G Short Inter XY Contact 070 C77 | 2.82 |
| Ang. PLAT432 ALERT 2 G Short Inter X Y Contact N70 C75 | 1 22 |
| | 1122 |
| PLAT432 ALERT 2 G Short Inter X Y Contact N70 C76 | 1 42 |
| | |
| PLAT432 ALERT 2 G Short Inter X Y Contact N70 C77 | 1 75 |
| | 1.75 |
| PLAT432 ALERT 2 G Short Inter X Y Contact C2 C8 | 3 1 9 |
| | 5.15 |
| PLAT432 ALERT 2 G Short Inter X Y Contact C70 C75 | 0 24 |
| | 0.24 |
| DIATA32 ALERT 2 G Short Inter Y V Contact C70 075 | 1 1 3 |
| | 1.15 |
| Ally. DIATA22 ALEDT 2 C Short Inter V V Contact C70 N7E | 1 26 |
| And | 1.50 |
| Ally. | 2.25 |
| PLAT452_ALERT_2_G SHOTT INTER AT CONTACT C// | 2.55 |
| Ally. DIATA22 ALEDT 2 C Short Inter V V Contact C70 C76 | 2 52 |
| Ang | 2.55 |
| Ally. | 0.21 |
| PLAT452_ALERT_2_G SHOTT INTER XT CONIDCE C/1 C/6 | 0.51 |
| Ally. | 1 45 |
| PLA1432_ALERT_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/1 N/5 | 1.45 |
| Ally. | 2.20 |
| PLA1432_ALERT_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/1 C/5 | 2.30 |
| Ang. | 2 52 |
| PLA1432_ALER1_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/1 C/7 | 2.52 |
| Ally. | 1 (2 |
| PLAT452_ALERT_2_G SHOTT INTER XT CONTACT C/2 N/5 | 1.05 |
| Ang. | 1 07 |
| PLA1432_ALER1_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/2 C/7 | 1.87 |
| Ang. | 2 25 |
| PLA1432_ALER1_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/2 C/5 | 2.25 |
| Ang. | |
| PLA1432_ALER1_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/2 C/6 | 2.30 |
| Ang. | |
| PLA1432_ALER1_2_G Short Inter XY Contact C/2 0/5 | 2.87 |
| Ang. | |
| PLA1860_ALER1_3_G Note: Number of Least-Squares Restraints | |
| 55 | |
| PLAT302_ALERT_4_G Note: Anion/Solvent Disorder | 28.00 |
| Perc. | |
| PLA1380_ALERT_4_G Check Incorrectly? Oriented X(sp2)-Methyl Mc | viety |

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PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 12 O4 -PR1 -O1 -C3 134.70 1.40 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 21 O4 -PR1 -O1 -ZN2 -53.80 1.50 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 91 O1 -PR1 -O4 -C15 -151.60 1.40 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT710_ALERT_4_G Delete 1-2-3 or 2-3-4 Linear Torsion Angle ... # 100 O1 -PR1 -O4 -ZN3 21.30 1.50 1.555 1.555 1.555 1.555 PLAT779_ALERT_4_G Suspect or Irrelevant (Bond) Angle in CIF # C33 -N1 -C83 1.555 1.555 1.555 29.80 Deg. 96

29.80 Deg.