

## Supporting Information

**Sandwich-type Tetrakis(phthalocyaninato) Rare Earth(III)-Cadmium(II)**

**Quadruple-deckers. The Effect of f-Electrons**

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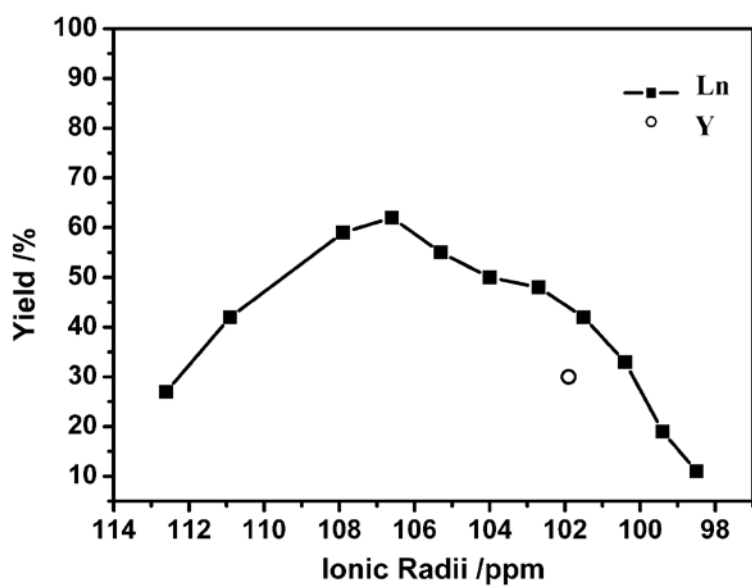
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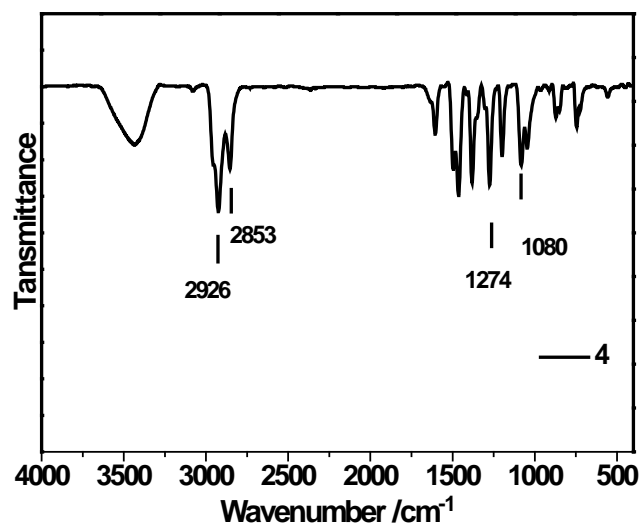
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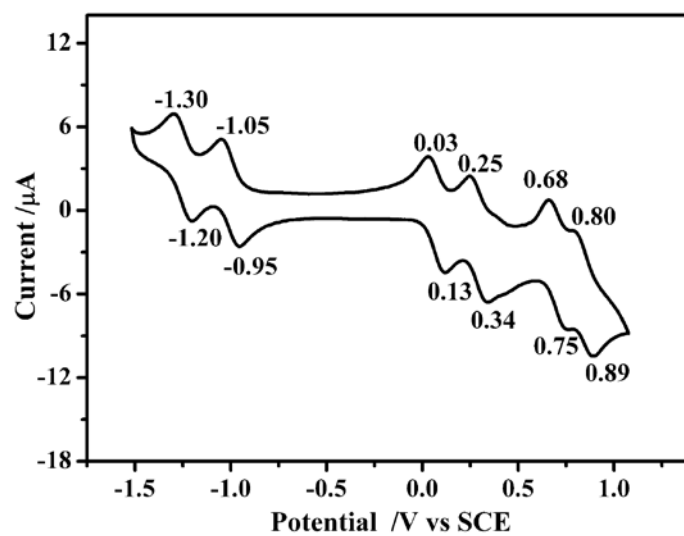
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**Table S1.** Mass spectroscopic and elemental analysis data for the compounds **1-12**.<sup>a</sup>

Compound	Yield (%)	M <sup>+</sup> ( <i>m/z</i> ) <sup>b</sup>	Analysis (%) <sup>[a,b]</sup>		
			C	H	N
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Y <sub>2</sub> ( <b>1</b> ) <sup>c</sup>	30	6441.5 (6441.2)	70.46 (71.58)	8.86 (9.01)	6.83 (6.96)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Pr <sub>2</sub> ( <b>2</b> ) <sup>d</sup>	27	6545.3 (6545.2)	70.25 (70.45)	8.87 (8.87)	6.83 (6.85)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Nd <sub>2</sub> ( <b>3</b> ) <sup>c</sup>	42	6547.1 (6547.2)	69.29 (70.37)	8.72 (8.86)	6.72 (6.84)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Sm <sub>2</sub> ( <b>4</b> )	59	6567.9 (6567.2)	70.24 (70.24)	8.84 (8.84)	6.83 (6.83)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Eu <sub>2</sub> ( <b>5</b> ) <sup>c</sup>	62	6569.0 (6569.2)	69.13 (70.21)	8.70 (8.82)	6.70 (6.82)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Gd <sub>2</sub> ( <b>6</b> ) <sup>d</sup>	55	6578.9 (6579.2)	69.90 (70.10)	8.83 (8.82)	6.79 (6.81)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Tb <sub>2</sub> ( <b>7</b> ) <sup>d</sup>	50	6581.4 (6581.2)	69.87 (70.06)	8.83 (8.82)	6.79 (6.81)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Dy <sub>2</sub> ( <b>8</b> )	48	6590.7 (6591.2)	69.68 (69.98)	8.85 (8.81)	6.70 (6.80)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Ho <sub>2</sub> ( <b>9</b> ) <sup>c</sup>	42	6593.6 (6593.2)	68.87 (69.93)	8.67 (8.80)	6.68 (6.80)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Er <sub>2</sub> ( <b>10</b> ) <sup>e</sup>	33	6595.1 (6595.2)	69.50 (69.88)	8.41 (8.80)	6.85 (6.79)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Tm <sub>2</sub> ( <b>11</b> ) <sup>c</sup>	19	6600.9 (6601.2)	69.47 (69.85)	8.81 (8.79)	6.75 (6.79)
C <sub>384</sub> H <sub>576</sub> CdN <sub>32</sub> O <sub>32</sub> Yb <sub>2</sub> ( <b>12</b> ) <sup>d</sup>	11	6611.0 (6611.2)	69.57 (69.76)	8.79 (8.78)	6.76 (6.78)

<sup>a</sup> Calculated values given in parentheses. <sup>b</sup> By MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry. The value corresponds to the most abundant isotopic peak of the protonated molecular ion M<sup>+</sup>. <sup>c</sup> Contain 1.0 equiv. of solvated CHCl<sub>3</sub>. <sup>d</sup> Contain 1.0 equiv. of solvated H<sub>2</sub>O. <sup>e</sup> Contain 2.0 equiv. of solvated H<sub>2</sub>O.

**Table S2.**  $^1\text{H}$  NMR data ( $\delta$ ) and assignments of the quadruple complexes in  $\text{CDCl}_3$ .

Complex	location	$\text{H}^a$	$-\text{OCH}_2-$	$-\text{OCH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_6-$	$-\text{OCH}_2(\text{CH}_2)_6\text{CH}_3$
<b>1</b>	outer	9.47 (s, 16H)	3.33 (m, 32H)		0.87 (t, 48H)
	inner	10.12 (s, 16H)	4.88 (m, 16H) 3.92 (m, 16H)	2.69-1.23 (m, 384H)	0.87 (t, 48H)
<b>2</b>	outer	4.39 (s, 16H)	2.81 (m, 16H)		0.75 (t, 48H)
	inner	5.49 (s, 16H)	2.62 (m, 16H) 3.48 (m, 16H) 3.20 (m, 16H)	1.51-0.93 (m, 384H)	0.83 (t, 48H)
<b>3</b>	outer	6.79 (s, 16H)	3.97 (m, 32H)	1.87 (m, 32H) 1.85 (m, 32H) 1.49 (m, 64H) 1.33 (m, 64H)	0.91 (t, 48H)
	inner	7.12 (s, 16H)	4.15 (m, 32H)	2.17 (m, 32H) 1.85 (m, 32H) 1.61 (m, 64H) 1.38 (m, 64H)	1.03 (t, 48H)
<b>4</b>	outer	8.78 (s, 16H)	5.09 (m, 16H) 4.48 (m, 16H)	2.38 (m, 32H) 2.02 (m, 32H) 1.89 (m, 64H) 1.49 (m, 64H)	0.97 (t, 48H)
	inner	9.37 (s, 16H)	5.68 (m, 32H)	3.24 (m, 32H) 2.82 (m, 32H) 2.38 (m, 32H) 2.30 (m, 32H) 2.02 (m, 32H) 1.62 (m, 32H)	1.32 (t, 48H)
<b>5</b>			Not observed		
<b>6</b>	outer	-50.39(s, 16H)	-31.33 (m,32H)	-14.78(m,64H) -13.49(m,32H) -12.16(m,32H) -9.88 (m, 32H) -4.83 (m, 32H)	-1.90 (t, 48H)
	inner	-52.04(s, 16H)	-33.78(m, 32H)	-22.07(m,32H) -18.90(m, 2H) -14.78(m,32H) -12.16(m,32H) -9.88 (m, 32H) -4.83 (m, 32H)	-2.88 (t, 48H)

<b>7</b>	outer	-23.18(s, 16H)	-14.74(m, 32H)	-12.42(m,32H)	-0.67 (t, 48H)
				-10.20(m,32H)	
				-6.61 (m, 32H)	
				-5.31 (m, 32H)	
				-4.12 (m, 32H)	
				-2.25 (m, 32H)	
				-2.25 (m, 32H)	
	inner	-24.18(s, 16H)	-15.84(m, 32H)	-15.84(m,32H)	-1.59 (t, 48H)
				-10.20(m,32H)	
				-8.64 (m, 32H)	
				-6.61 (m, 32H)	
				-5.77 (m, 32H)	
				-2.25 (m, 32H)	
				-2.25 (m, 32H)	
<b>8</b>	outer	-5.32 (s, 16H)	-4.12 (m, 32H)	-0.92 (m, 32H)	1.20 (t, 48H)
				-0.83 (m, 32H)	
				-0.09 (m, 32H)	
				0.32 (m, 32H)	
				0.58 (m, 64H)	
				0.58 (m, 64H)	
				0.32 (m, 32H)	
	inner	-6.02 (s, 16H)	-4.29 (m, 32H)	-2.62 (m, 32H)	0.78 (t, 48H)
				-2.10 (m, 32H)	
				-1.42 (m, 32H)	
				-0.92 (m, 32H)	
				-0.47 (m, 32H)	
				-0.47 (m, 32H)	
				0.32 (m, 32H)	
<b>9</b>	outer	7.55 (s, 16H)	4.41 (m, 16H)	2.50-1.31 (m, 384H)	0.98 (t, 48H)
			4.08 (m, 16H)		
	inner	7.66 (s, 16H)	4.66 (m, 32H)		1.13 (t, 48H)
<b>10</b>	outer	8.17 (s, 16H)	5.88 (m, 32H)	5.77 (m, 64H)	1.42 (t, 48H)
				3.30 (m, 32H)	
				2.97 (m, 32H)	
				2.30 (m, 32H)	
				2.07 (m, 32H)	
				2.07 (m, 32H)	
				2.07 (m, 32H)	
	inner	12.59 (s, 16H)	11.35 (m, 32H)	-22.07(m,32H)	3.88 (t, 48H)
				-18.90(m,32H)	
				-14.78(m,32H)	
				-12.16(m,32H)	
				-9.88 (m, 32H)	
				-4.83 (m, 32H)	
				-4.83 (m, 32H)	
<b>11</b>	outer	27.23 (s, 16H)	14.32 (m, 16H)	6.60 (m, 32H)	1.48 (t, 48H)
			9.09 (m, 16H)	5.77 (m, 32H)	
				4.98 (m, 32H)	



				3.79 (m, 32H)	
				3.13 (m, 32H)	
				2.54 (m, 32H)	
	inner	34.75 (s, 16H)	21.55 (m, 16H)	13.44 (m, 32H)	2.03 (t, 48H)
			21.18 (m, 16H)	12.25 (m, 32H)	
				9.10 (m, 32H)	
				8.02 (m, 32H)	
				6.60 (m, 32H)	
				5.09 (m, 32H)	
<b>12</b>	outer	10.14 (s, 16H)	5.63 (m, 16H)	2.52 (m, 64H)	0.99 (t, 48H)
			4.70 (m, 16H)	2.27 (m, 32H)	
				2.08 (m, 64H)	
				1.70 (m, 32H)	
	inner	10.72 (s, 16H)	6.66 (m, 16H)	3.79 (m, 32H)	1.44 (t, 48H)
			6.62 (m, 16H)	3.33 (m, 32H)	
				2.70 (m, 64H)	
				2.27 (m, 32H)	
				1.70 (m, 32H)	

**Table S3.** Electronic absorption data for the compounds **1-12** in toluene.

Compound	$\lambda_{\text{max}}/\text{nm}$ ( $\log \epsilon$ )			
<b>1</b>	355 (5.55)	576 (4.66)	629 (5.60)	704 (4.85)
<b>2</b>	354 (5.58)	579 (4.88)	635 (5.55)	693 (4.82)
<b>3</b>	355 (5.48)	580 (4.64)	634 (5.64)	696 (4.79)
<b>4</b>	355 (5.51)	580 (4.61)	632 (5.63)	698 (4.81)
<b>5</b>	355 (5.48)	579 (4.65)	631 (5.58)	699 (4.81)
<b>6</b>	355 (5.47)	578 (4.56)	631 (5.58)	701 (4.76)
<b>7</b>	355 (5.53)	578 (4.63)	629 (5.65)	705 (4.81)
<b>8</b>	355 (5.46)	577 (4.53)	629 (5.58)	705 (4.75)
<b>9</b>	356 (5.49)	579 (4.59)	629 (5.59)	710 (4.77)
<b>10</b>	356 (5.46)	577 (4.55)	628 (5.57)	715 (4.75)
<b>11</b>	356 (5.54)	577 (4.65)	628 (5.63)	713 (4.82)
<b>12</b>	355 (5.51)	575 (4.62)	627 (5.59)	717 (4.81)

**Table S4.** Half-wave redox potentials of the compounds **1-12** (V vs SCE) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> containing 0.1 M TBAP.

Compound	Oxd <sub>4</sub>	Oxd <sub>3</sub>	Oxd <sub>2</sub>	Oxd <sub>1</sub>	Red <sub>1</sub>	Red <sub>2</sub>	$\Delta E_{1/2}^{\circ}$ <sup>[a]</sup>
<b>1</b>	+0.98	+0.82	+0.40	+0.19	-0.84	-1.18	1.03
<b>2</b>	+0.91	+0.73	+0.50	+0.20	-0.97	-1.25	1.17
<b>3</b>	+0.95	+0.76	+0.49	+0.22	-0.94	-1.24	1.16
<b>4</b>	+0.94	+0.79	+0.43	+0.19	-0.95	-1.22	1.14
<b>5</b>	+0.94	+0.80	+0.41	+0.18	-0.95	-1.21	1.13
<b>6</b>	+0.90	+0.75	+0.36	+0.16	-0.93	-1.22	1.09
<b>7</b>	+0.85	+0.72	+0.30	+0.08	-1.00	-1.25	1.07
<b>8</b>	+0.88	+0.74	+0.31	+0.08	-0.98	-1.23	1.06
<b>9</b>	+0.86	+0.72	+0.30	+0.08	-0.97	-1.22	1.05
<b>10</b>	+0.89	+0.75	+0.32	+0.07	-0.98	-1.24	1.05
<b>11</b>	+0.86	+0.73	+0.29	+0.04	-1.00	-1.25	1.04
<b>12</b>	+0.86	+0.76	+0.27	+0.04	-0.96	-1.24	1.00

[a]  $\Delta E_{1/2}^{\circ}$  is the potential difference between the first oxidation and the first reduction processes, i.e. the HOMO-LUMO gap of the complexes:  $\Delta E_{1/2}^{\circ} = \text{Oxd}_1 - \text{Red}_1$ .

**Table S5.** The effective imaginary third order molecular hyperpolarizability  $\text{Im}\{\chi^{(3)}\}$  value of the compounds **1-12** in toluene solution under an open-aperture configuration.

Compound	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
$\text{Im}\{\chi^{(3)}\}(\times 10^{-11} \text{ esu})$	24.1	21.5	21.4	21.4	22.4	22.5
Compound	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
$\text{Im}\{\chi^{(3)}\}(\times 10^{-11} \text{ esu})$	22.7	22.6	20.4	20.6	20.6	21.3