

Fulvic acid complexation of Eu(III) and Cm(III) at  
elevated temperatures studied by time-resolved laser  
fluorescence spectroscopy

Supporting information

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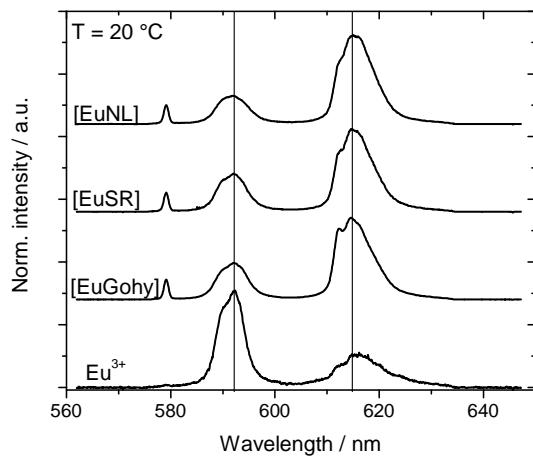
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**Table S1.**  $f_i$  factors of the different Eu(III)-FA complexes at  $T = 20 - 80^\circ\text{C}$ . The  $f_i$  factor of the Eu(III) aquo ion at each temperature is defined to be 1.

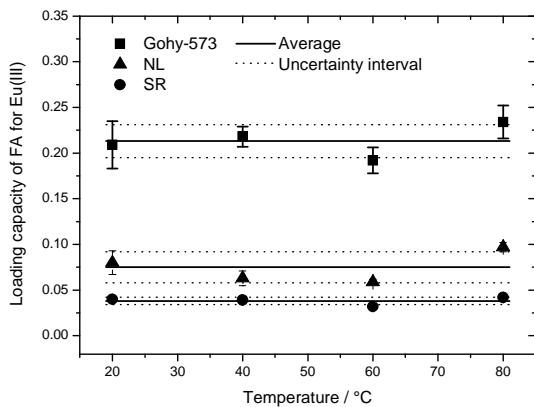
	20°C	40°C	60°C	80°C
Gohy-573	17.4	10.1	5.5	3.9
SR	5.0	2.8	2.1	1.9
NL	7.2	3.4	2.4	1.6

**Table S2.** Results of the slope analyses of the complexation of Eu(III) and Cm(III) with the different FAs (Gohy-573, SR, NL) in 0.1 m NaCl solution..

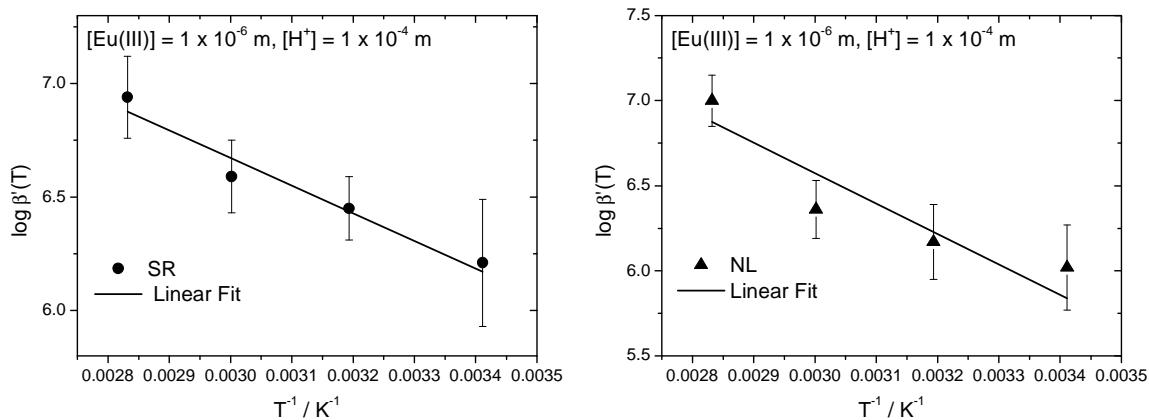
T / °C	Eu(III)			Cm(III)		
	Gohy-573	SR	NL	Gohy-573	SR	NL
20	$0.95 \pm 0.20$	$1.06 \pm 0.14$	$1.00 \pm 0.11$	$1.14 \pm 0.07$	$1.07 \pm 0.07$	$1.12 \pm 0.06$
40	$0.94 \pm 0.10$	$0.91 \pm 0.06$	$1.14 \pm 0.09$	$1.11 \pm 0.07$	$1.28 \pm 0.08$	$1.19 \pm 0.07$
60	$0.96 \pm 0.09$	$1.13 \pm 0.07$	$1.14 \pm 0.08$	$1.26 \pm 0.08$	$1.27 \pm 0.08$	$1.27 \pm 0.08$
80	$1.08 \pm 0.12$	$1.14 \pm 0.14$	$0.85 \pm 0.12$	$1.14 \pm 0.07$	$1.18 \pm 0.08$	$1.15 \pm 0.08$



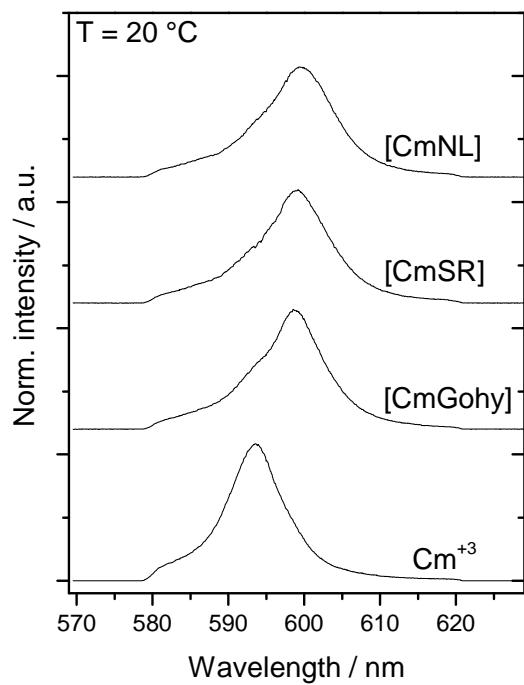
**Figure S1.** Single component spectra of  $\text{Eu}(\text{III})_{\text{aq}}$  and  $\text{Eu}(\text{III})\text{-FA}$  complexes (FA = Gohy-573, SR, NL) at room temperature in 0.1 m NaCl solution ( $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-4}$  mol/kg) obtained by peak deconvolution.



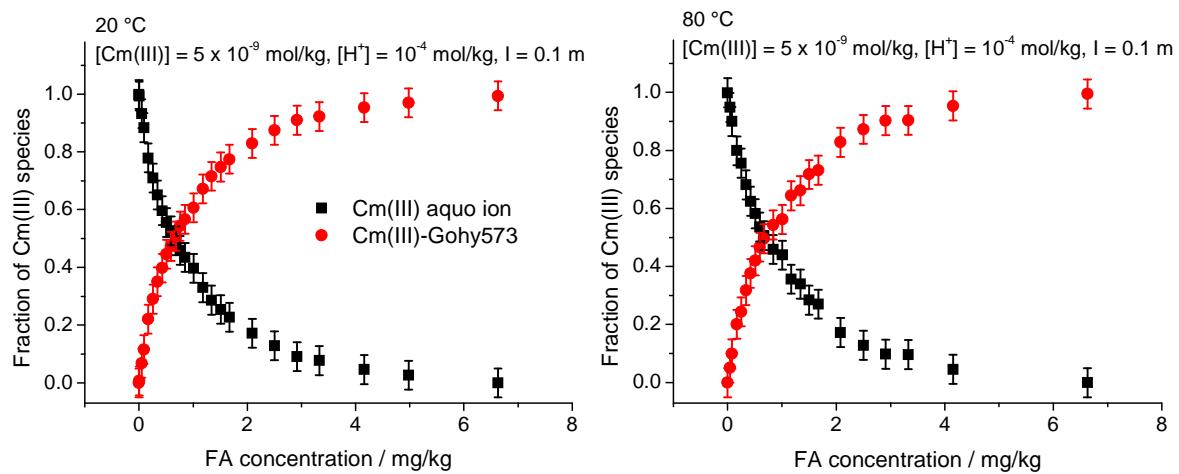
**Figure S2.** Loading capacities of different FAs for Eu(III) as a function of the temperature in 0.1 m NaCl solution (at  $[H^+]_{\text{total}} = 10^{-4}$  mol/kg) together with the average values and uncertainty intervals.



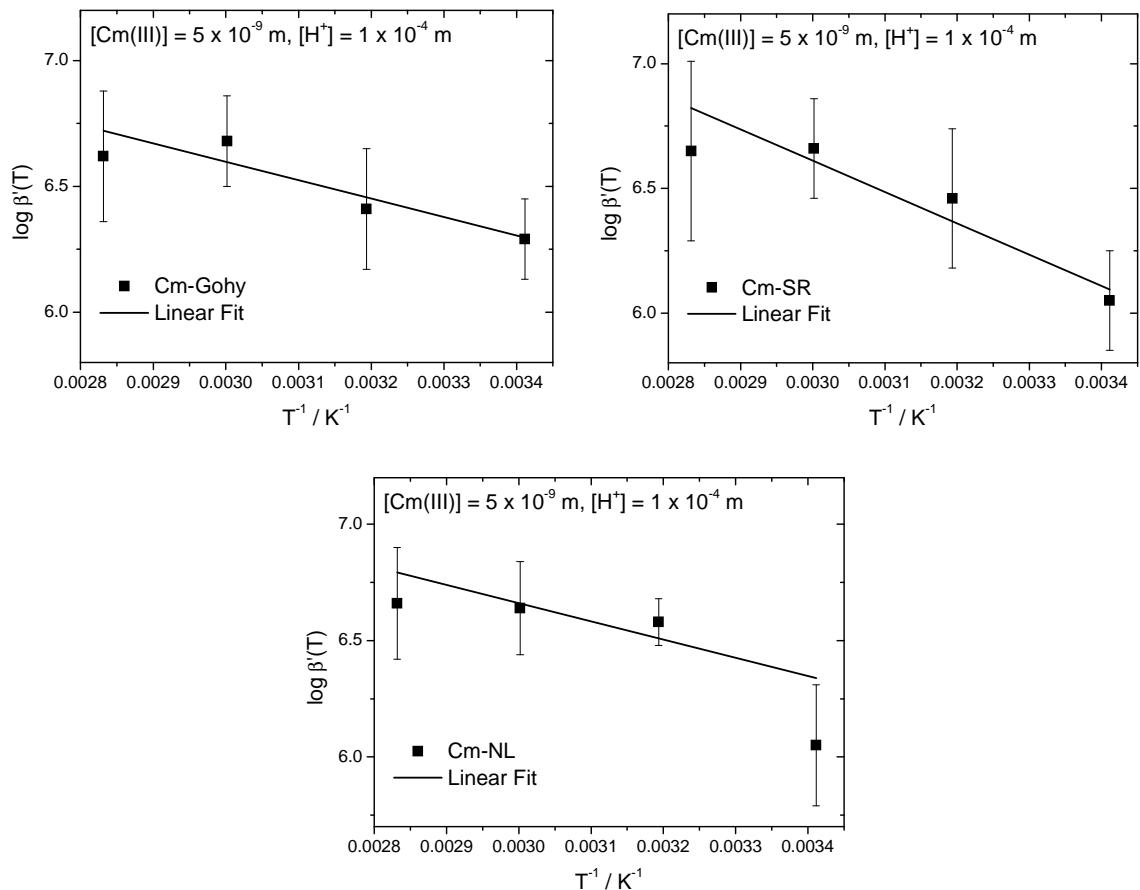
**Figure S3.** Arrhenius plot of  $\log \beta(T)$  (given in Table 1) of the complexation of Eu(III) with SR and NL FA in 0.1 m NaCl solution.



**Figure S4.** Single component spectra of  $\text{Cm(III)}_{\text{aq}}$  and  $\text{Cm(III)}$  FA complexes (FA = Gohy-573, SR, NL) determined by peak deconvolution at room temperature in 0.1 m NaCl solution ( $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-4}$  mol/kg).



**Figure S5.**  $\text{Cm(III)}$  speciation in the presence of Gohy-573 FA as a function of ligand concentration at  $T = 20$  and  $80$  °C in 0.1 m NaCl solution ( $[\text{H}^+] = 10^{-4}$  mol/kg).



**Figure S6.** Arrhenius plot of  $\log \beta'(T)$  (given in Table 3) for the interaction of Cm(III) with Gohy-573, SR and NL FA in 0.1 m NaCl solution.