Electronic Supplementary Information

The Slow Magnetic Relaxation Regulated by Ligand Conformation of A Lanthanide Single-Ion Magnet [HexN][Dy(DBM)₄]

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Fig. S1 (Top left) The coordination geometry around Dy(III) ion (upper plane (pink) consists of O1, O2, O3 and O4, lower plane (green) consist of O5, O6, O7 and O8); Top right: Perspective showing the ϕ structural features; middle: the structure of **1** and the black ball represent the disorder atoms, we named the light grey part as **1**a and the disorder black ball part as **1**b; Bottom left (**1**a) and right (**1**b) shows the two disorder structures and their calculated direction of magnetic easy axial respectively (blue arrow), the calculated g tensor are listed in Table S3 and S4.



Fig. S2 The field dependence of magnetization at 2, 3, 5, 8 and 10 K.



Fig. S3 Magnetization (*M*) vs. applied dc field (*H*) on a Quantum Design MPMS XL-5 SQUID magnetometer (left) and a Quantum Design PPMS magnetometer with a sweep rate of 0.005 $T \cdot s^{-1}$ (right) at 2 K. Inset: Zoomed-in section of the hysteresis loops showing an small opening for a diluted sample.





Fig. S4 The temperature dependence of the in-phase (χ') ac susceptibility component under zero (top left), 300 (top right), 1500 Oe (bottom left) dc fields for **1** and under zero dc field for diluted sample [Hex][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄] (bottom right).



Fig. S5 The temperature dependence of the in-phase (χ ', left) and the out-of-phase (χ '', right) ac susceptibility component under 5000 Oe dc field for **1**.



Fig. S6 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ' , left) and the out-of-phase (χ'' , right) ac susceptibility component under zero dc fields for 1.



Fig. S7 The cole-cole plot for undiluted 1 under zero dc field (left) and 300 Oe field (right).



Fig. S8 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ' , left) and the out-of-phase (χ'' , right) ac susceptibility component under 300 Oe dc fields for **1**.



Fig. S9 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ' , left) and the out-of-phase (χ'' , right) ac susceptibility component under 1500 Oe dc fields for **1**.



Fig. S10 The cole-cole plot for undiluted **1** under 1500 Oe (left) and diluted sample [HexN][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄] under zero Oe dc field (right).



Fig. S11 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ ', left) and the out-of-phase (χ '', right) ac susceptibility component at 5 K under different dc fields for 1.



Fig. S12 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ ', left) and the out-of-phase (χ '', right) ac susceptibility component at 6.5 K under different dc fields for **1**.



Fig. S13 Field dependence of the characteristic frequency as a function of the applied dc field for **1** at 5 K (left) and 6.5 K(right).



Fig. S14 Temperature dependence of $\chi_M T$ measured at 1 kOe for [Hex][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄], (inset: The field dependence of magnetization at 2 K).



Fig. S15 The temperature dependence of the in-phase (χ' , left) and the out-of-phase (χ'' , right) ac susceptibility component under zero dc fields for [Hex][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄].



Fig. S16 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ ', left) and the out-of-phase (χ '', right) ac susceptibility component under zero dc fields for [Hex][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄].



Fig. S17 Frequency dependence of the in-phase (χ ', left) and the out-of-phase (χ '', right) ac susceptibility at frequencies from 100 to 10000 Hz under zero dc fields for [HexN][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄].



Fig. S 18 The temperature dependence of the in-phase (χ' , left) and the out-of-phase (χ'' , right) ac susceptibility at frequencies from 100 to 10000 Hz under 300 Oe dc fields for [Hex][Y_{0.95}Dy_{0.05}(DBM)₄].



Fig. S 19 Plots of τ vs T^{-1} at $H_{dc} = 0$, 300 and 1500 Oe for the undiluted and diluted samples.

dc field (Oe)	Low temperature $U_{\rm eff} = \Delta E/k$ and τ_0	High temperature $U_{\rm eff} = \Delta E/k$ and τ_0
0	27.7 and 1.3×10 ⁻⁷	
300	56.6 and 6.6×10 ⁻¹⁰	
1500	68.1 and 3.4×10 ⁻¹¹	88.0 and 5.0×10 ⁻¹⁰
0 (Diluted sample, 100-10000 Hz)	63.8 and 1.6×10 ⁻¹⁰	79.8 and 1.5×10-9

Table S1 The effective relaxation energy barriers $U_{\rm eff}$ and pre-exponential factor τ_0 from fitting Arrhenius law.

Table S2 The calculated effective relaxation energy barriers $U_{\rm eff}$			
Complex	Calculated ΔE	ΔE_{1b} - ΔE_{1a}	
1 a	57 cm ⁻¹ (80 K)	22 K	
1 b	73 cm ⁻¹ (102 K)		

Table S3 Calculated g tensor and energy spectrum of compound 1a

g _X	\mathbf{g}_{Y}	g _Z
0.0354	0.0754	19.462

Energy (au) of 16 lowest states	Relative Energy (eV)	Relative Energy (cm ⁻¹)
1	-42.78245884	0.000000	0.000
2	-42.78245884	0.000000	0.000
3	-42.78219888	0.007074	57.056
4	-42.78219888	0.007074	57.056
5	-42.78191826	0.014710	118.644
6	-42.78191826	0.014710	118.644
7	-42.78176301	0.018935	152.718
8	-42.78176301	0.018935	152.718
9	-42.78168776	0.020982	169.233
10	-42.78168776	0.020982	169.233
11	-42.78145278	0.027376	220.805
12	-42.78145278	0.027376	220.805
13	-42.78118353	0.034703	279.899
14	-42.78118353	0.034703	279.899
15	-42.78059218	0.050795	409.686
16	-42.78059218	0.050795	409.686

 Table S4 Calculated g tensor and energy spectrum of compound 1b

	g _x	g _Y	gz
	0.0161	0.0308	19.5069
Energ	y (au) of 16 lowest states	Relative Energy (eV)	Relative Energy (cm ⁻¹)
1	-42.83185378	0.000000	0.000
$\frac{2}{3}$	-42.83185378 -42.83152142	0.000000 0.009044	0.000 72 946
4	-42.83152142	0.009044	72.946
5	-42.83127050	0.015872	128.016
6	-42.83127050	0.015872	128.016
7	-42.83107753	0.021123	170.367
8	-42.83107753	0.021123	170.367
9	-42.83099983	0.023237	187.420
10	-42.83099983	0.023237	187.420
11	-42.83076679	0.029578	238.566
12	-42.83076679	0.029578	238.566
13	-42.83046821	0.037703	304.098
14	-42.83046821	0.037703	304.098
15	-42.83004205	0.049300	397.629
16	-42.83004205	0.049300	397.629