

**Electronic Supplementary Informations**

**for**

**Exploration of SMM behavior of  $\text{Ln}_2$ -complexes derived from  
thianaphthene-2-carboxylic acid**

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**Table S1** Selected structural parameters (bond lengths in Å and angles in °) of Ln<sup>III</sup> center(s) (Ln=Dy for **1** and Ln=Tb for **2**) in **1** and **2** and Y<sup>III</sup> center(s) in **3**. Symmetry code: A, 2-x, 2-y, 1-z for **1**; A, 1-x, 2-y, 1-z for **2** and A, 1-x, 1-y, 2-z for **3**.

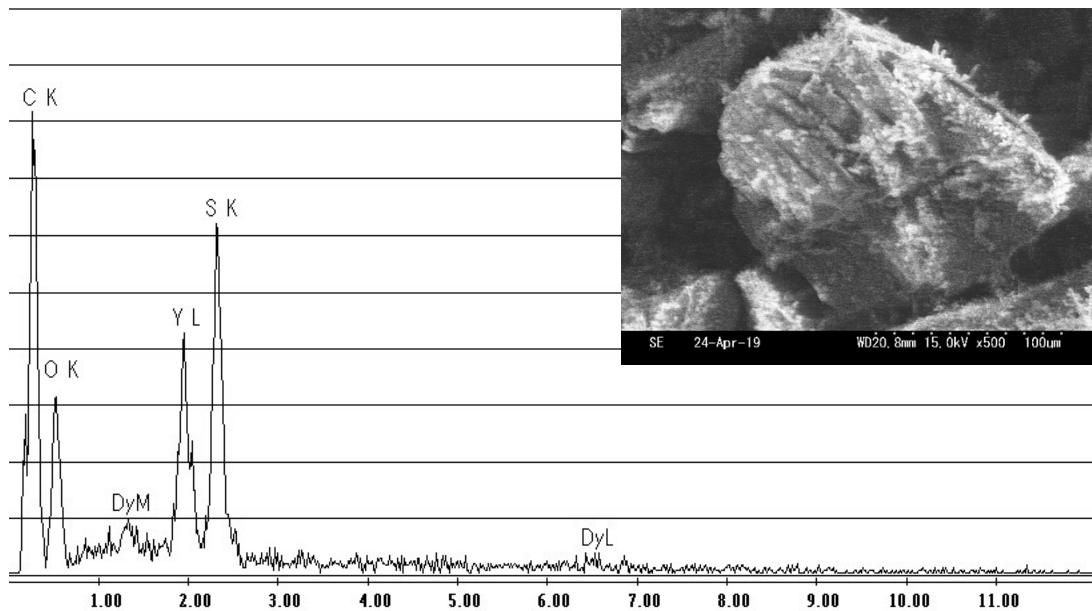
	Dy <sup>III</sup>	Tb <sup>III</sup>	Y <sup>III</sup>		Dy <sup>III</sup>	Tb <sup>III</sup>		Y <sup>III</sup>	
Ln1–O1	2.497(5)	2.511(7)	Y1–O1	2.494(4)	O1–Ln1–O2	53.30(17)	53.1(2)	O1–Y1–O2	53.88(13)
Ln1–O2	2.399(5)	2.404(7)	Y1–O2	2.376(4)	O1–Ln1–O3	134.01(17)	133.4(2)	O1–Y1–O3	134.55(14)
Ln1–O3	2.396(5)	2.398(6)	Y1–O3	2.375(4)	O1–Ln1–O4	120.79(17)	120.3(2)	O1–Y1–O4	121.07(13)
Ln1–O4	2.485(5)	2.491(6)	Y1–O4	2.473(4)	O1–Ln1–O5	82.4(2)	82.5(3)	O1–Y1–O5	82.39(15)
Ln1–O5	2.265(6)	2.292(7)	Y1–O5	2.252(4)	O1–Ln1–O6	75.3(2)	75.0(2)	O1–Y1–O6	75.32(15)
Ln1–O6	2.315(6)	2.319(7)	Y1–O6	2.294(4)	O1–Ln1–O7	146.06(18)	145.5(2)	O1–Y1–O7A	146.05(14)
Ln1–O7	2.348(5)	2.362(7)	Y1–O7A	2.335(4)	O1–Ln1–O8	76.94(19)	77.0(2)	O1–Y1–O8	76.71(14)
Ln1–O8	2.355(5)	2.375(7)	Y1–O8	2.345(4)	O2–Ln1–O3	86.03(18)	85.5(2)	O2–Y1–O3	86.10(14)
Ln1…Ln1A	4.551	4.523	Y1…Y1A	4.602	O2–Ln1–O4	74.94(18)	74.6(2)	O2–Y1–O4	74.91(14)
					O2–Ln1–O5	87.1(2)	86.9(3)	O2–Y1–O5	86.79(16)
					O2–Ln1–O6	93.16(19)	92.9(2)	O2–Y1–O6	93.59(16)
					O2–Ln1–O7	149.51(18)	149.2(2)	O2–Y1–O7A	150.25(15)
					O2–Ln1–O8	129.7(2)	129.5(2)	O2–Y1–O8	129.90(15)
					O3–Ln1–O4	53.78(16)	53.6(2)	O3–Y1–O4	54.17(13)
					O3–Ln1–O5	74.13(19)	73.9(2)	O3–Y1–O5	73.88(15)
					O3–Ln1–O6	134.07(18)	134.4(2)	O3–Y1–O6	134.25(15)
					O3–Ln1–O7	79.90(19)	81.0(2)	O3–Y1–O7A	79.40(15)
					O3–Ln1–O8	133.41(19)	134.2(2)	O3–Y1–O8	132.59(14)
					O4–Ln1–O5	125.29(18)	124.9(2)	O4–Y1–O5	125.31(14)
					O4–Ln1–O6	81.64(18)	82.0(2)	O4–Y1–O6	81.56(14)
					O4–Ln1–O7	74.91(18)	75.1(2)	O4–Y1–O7A	75.54(14)
					O4–Ln1–O8	149.6(2)	149.7(3)	O4–Y1–O8	149.81(15)
					O5–Ln1–O6	151.8(2)	151.7(3)	O5–Y1–O6	151.86(16)
					O5–Ln1–O7	114.3(2)	115.4(3)	O5–Y1–O7A	113.38(16)
					O5–Ln1–O8	78.6(2)	79.3(3)	O5–Y1–O8	78.25(15)
					O6–Ln1–O7	78.0(2)	77.4(2)	O6–Y1–O7A	78.77(15)
					O6–Ln1–O8	79.63(19)	79.1(3)	O6–Y1–O8	80.06(15)
					O7–Ln1–O8	77.9(2)	77.9(3)	O7A–Y1–O8	77.53(15)

**Table S2** Summary of SHAPE analysis around Ln<sup>III</sup> center(s) for **1** and **2** and Y<sup>III</sup> center(s) in **3** (Ln = Dy for **1**, Ln = Tb for **2**).

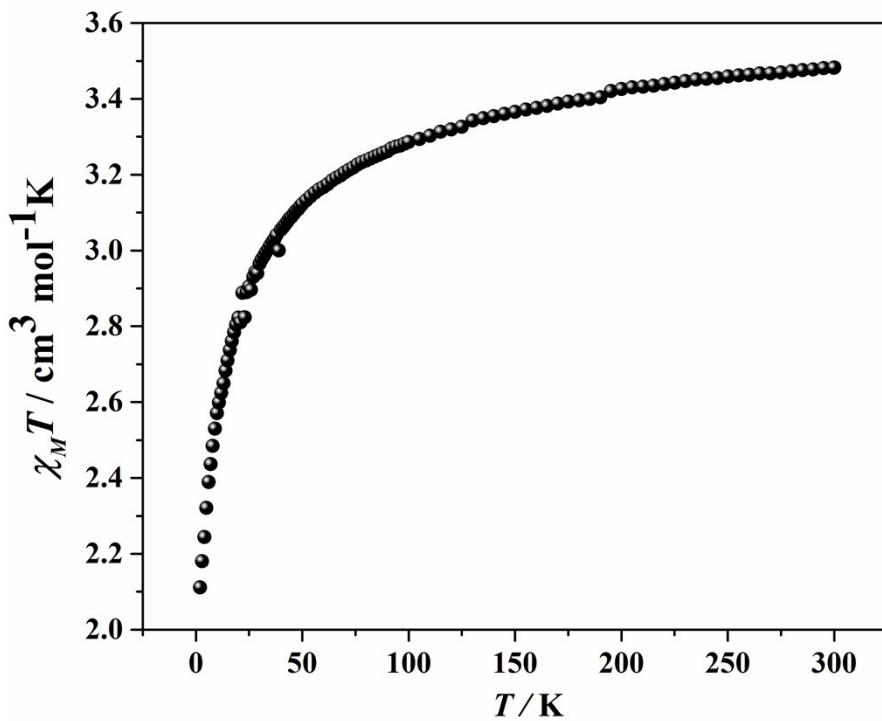
<b>ML<sub>8</sub></b>		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
Octagon	D <sub>8h</sub>	30.016	29.845	30.157
Heptagonal pyramid	C <sub>7v</sub>	21.366	21.318	21.339
Hexagonal bipyramid	D <sub>6h</sub>	13.123	13.242	12.963
Cube	O <sub>h</sub>	9.958	10.036	9.788
Square antiprism	D <sub>4d</sub>	2.799	2.846	2.725
Triangular dodecahedron	D <sub>2d</sub>	3.184	3.282	3.118
Johnson gyrobifastigium J26	D <sub>2d</sub>	12.451	12.463	12.389
Johnson elongated triangular bipyramid J14	D <sub>3h</sub>	25.745	25.606	25.886
Biaugmented trigonal prism J50	C <sub>2v</sub>	2.750	2.782	2.674
Biaugmented trigonal prism	C <sub>2v</sub>	<b>2.210</b>	<b>2.207</b>	<b>2.215</b>
Snub diphenoïd J84	D <sub>2d</sub>	4.111	4.209	4.013
Triakis tetrahedron	T <sub>d</sub>	10.660	10.685	10.464
Elongated trigonal bipyramid	D <sub>3h</sub>	21.570	21.213	21.793

**Table S3** Parameters obtained from Cole Cole fitting for **1'**

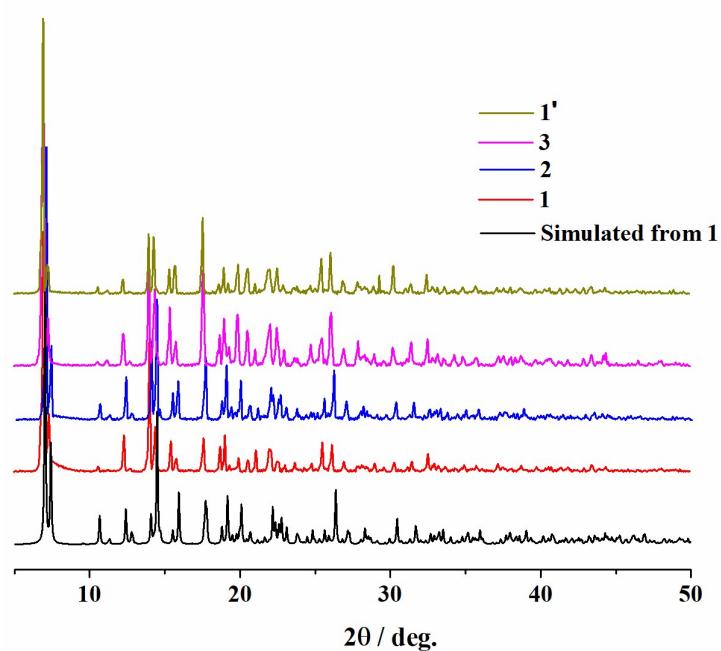
Temperature (K)	$\chi_{\text{Iso}}$	$\alpha$	$\tau$
1.85	0.99474	0.33093	$2.26486 \times 10^{-4}$
2	0.92544	0.36166	$1.06772 \times 10^{-4}$
2.14	0.8818	0.3922	$5.51724 \times 10^{-5}$
2.29	0.8439	0.40798	$3.36914 \times 10^{-5}$
2.45	0.79426	0.42295	$1.86669 \times 10^{-5}$
2.56	0.73978	0.43161	$9.58461 \times 10^{-6}$
2.71	0.70505	0.43298	$5.71799 \times 10^{-6}$
2.85	0.67261	0.42897	$3.55239 \times 10^{-6}$
3	0.64428	0.42721	$2.20762 \times 10^{-6}$
3.25	0.60038	0.40931	$1.13417 \times 10^{-6}$



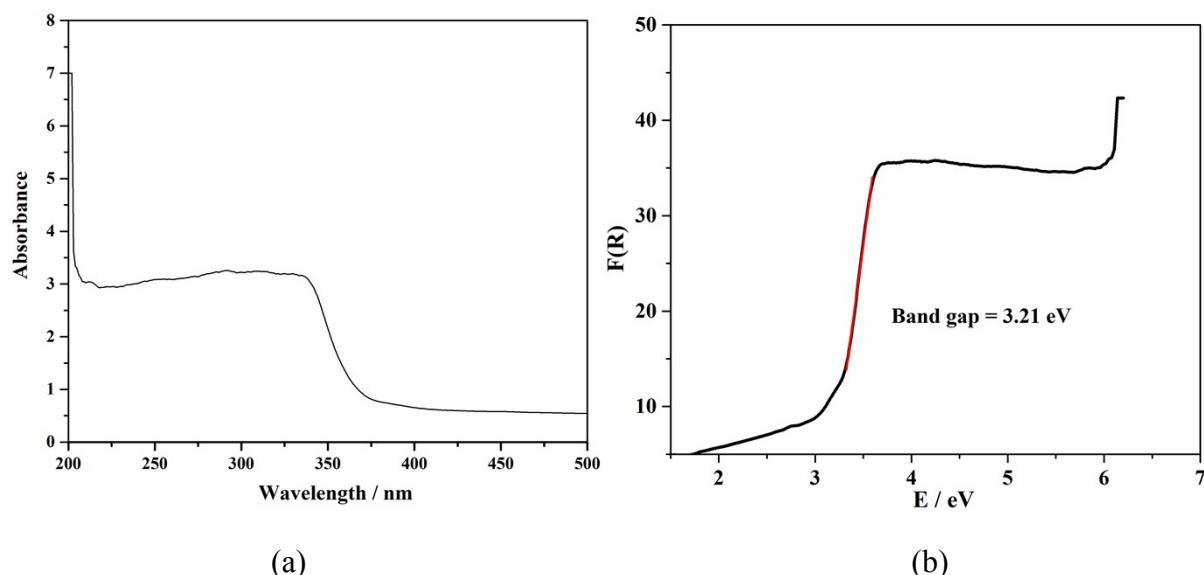
**Fig. S1** EDX spectrum for the compound **1'**. Inset shows the SEM image of the same.



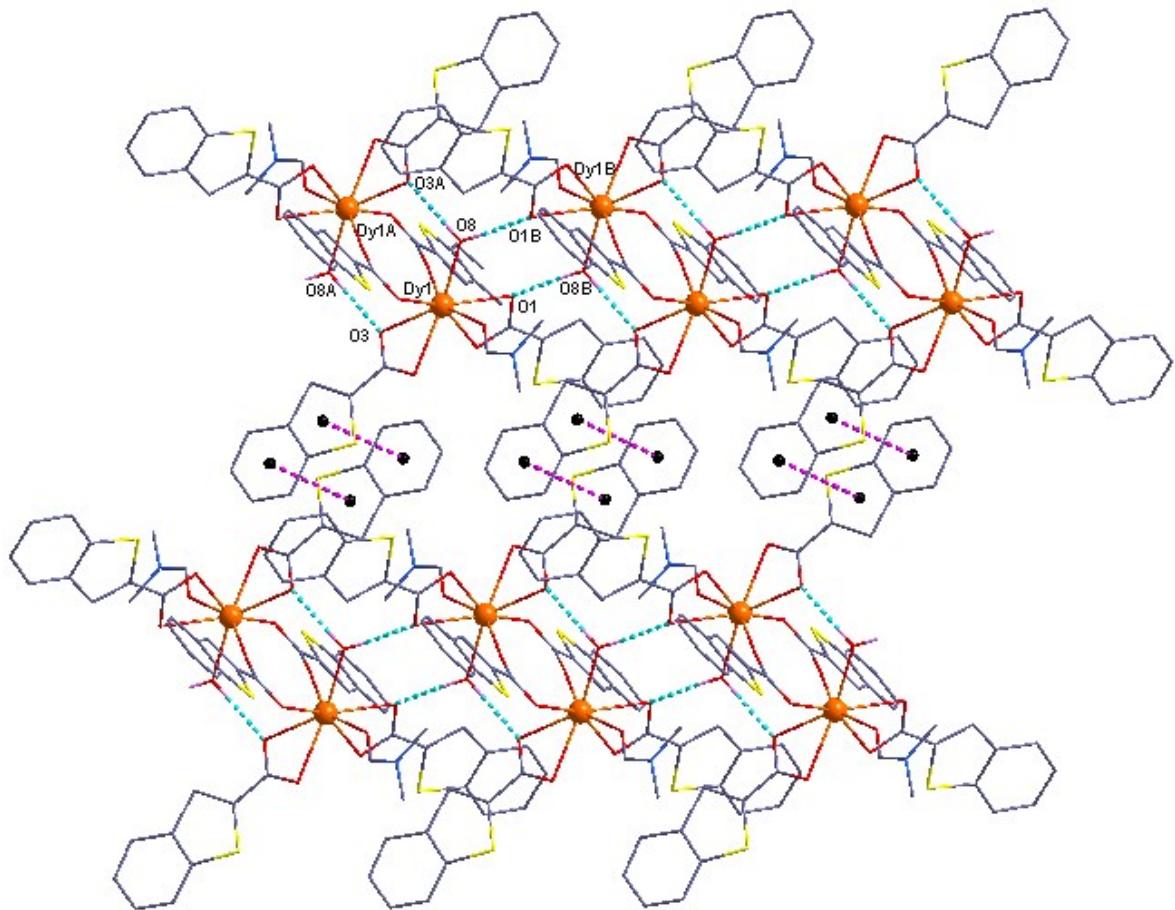
**Fig. S2** Temperature dependence of the  $\chi_M T$  products in 1000 Oe for **1'**.



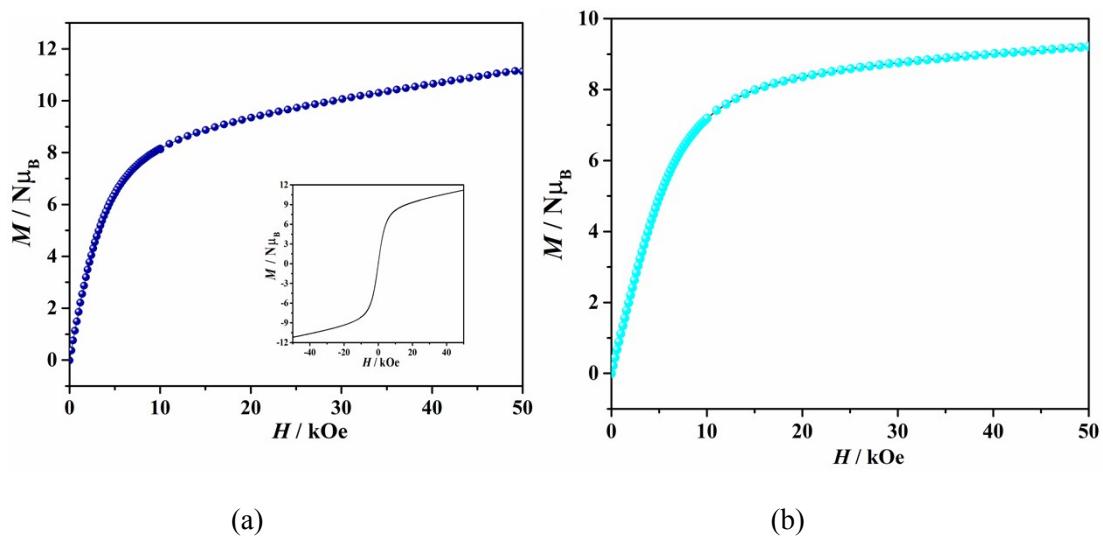
**Fig. S3** Simulated and observed PXRD patterns of the complexes.



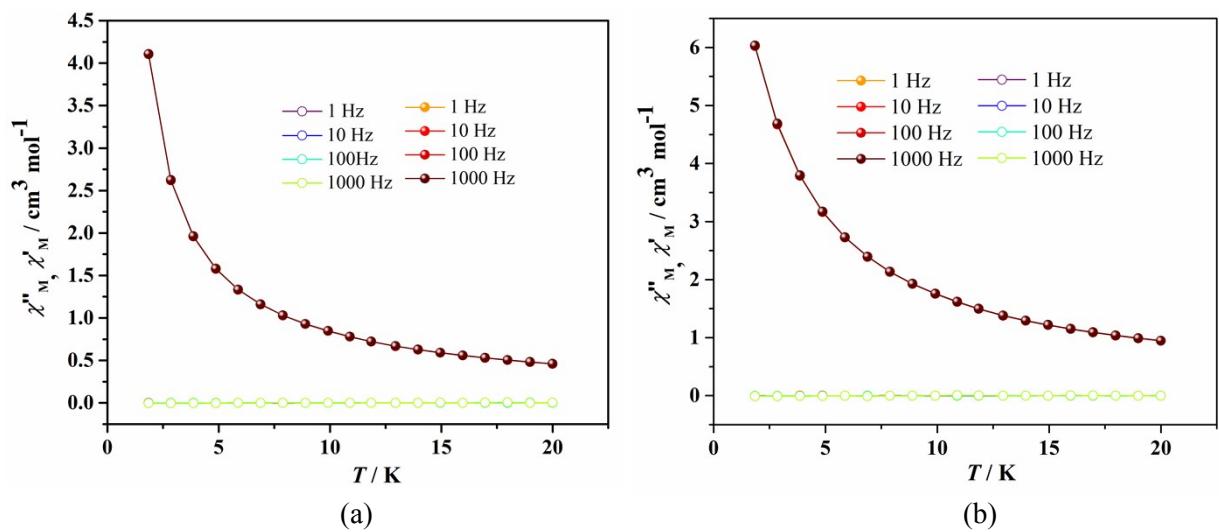
**Fig. S4** (a) UV-VIS absorption spectra for complex **1** and (b) the band gap estimated using Kubelka-Munk function.<sup>1</sup>



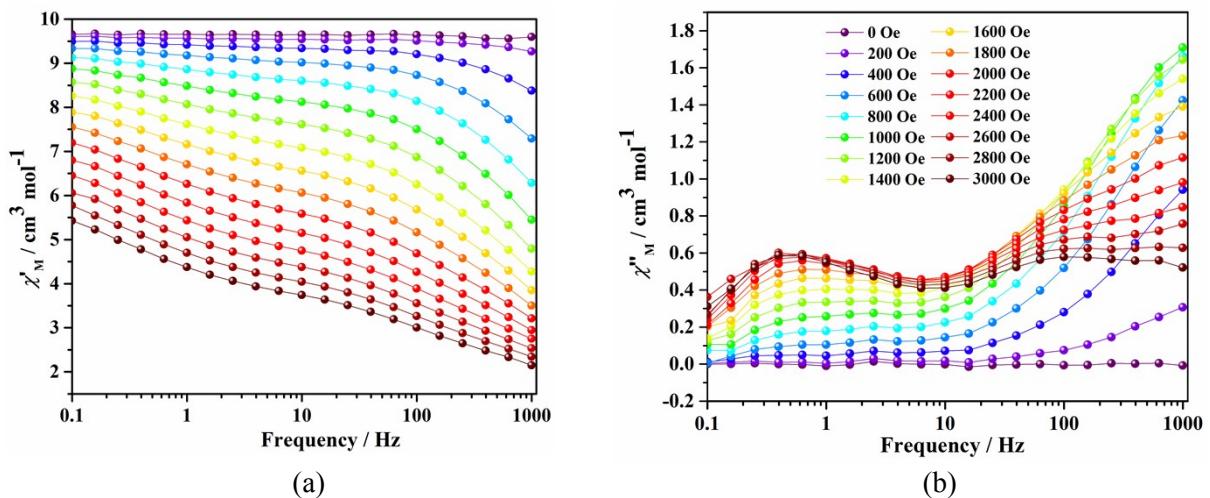
**Fig. S5** Perspective view of two dimensional sheet caused by intermolecular  $\pi \cdots \pi$  stacking interaction and intra- and inter-molecular hydrogen bonding interactions in crystallographic *ac* plane for **1**. Hydrogen atoms, except those of the water molecules, are omitted for clarity. Symmetry codes: A, 2–*x*, 2–*y*, 1–*z*; B, 1–*x*, 2–*y*, 1–*z*.



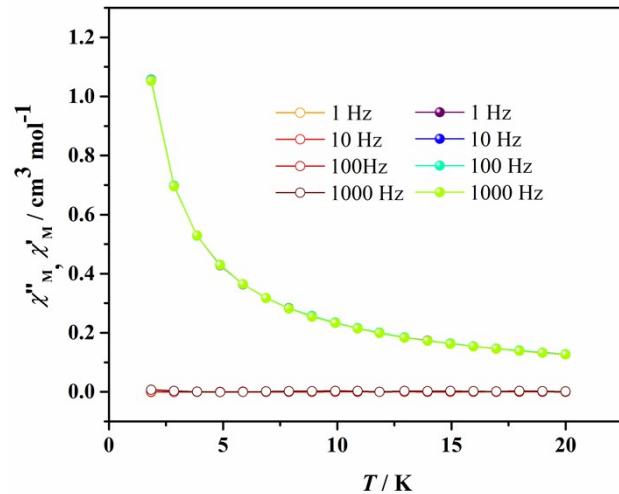
**Fig. S6** Isothermal magnetization plot for (a) **1** (inset: magnetic hysteresis) and (b) **2**.



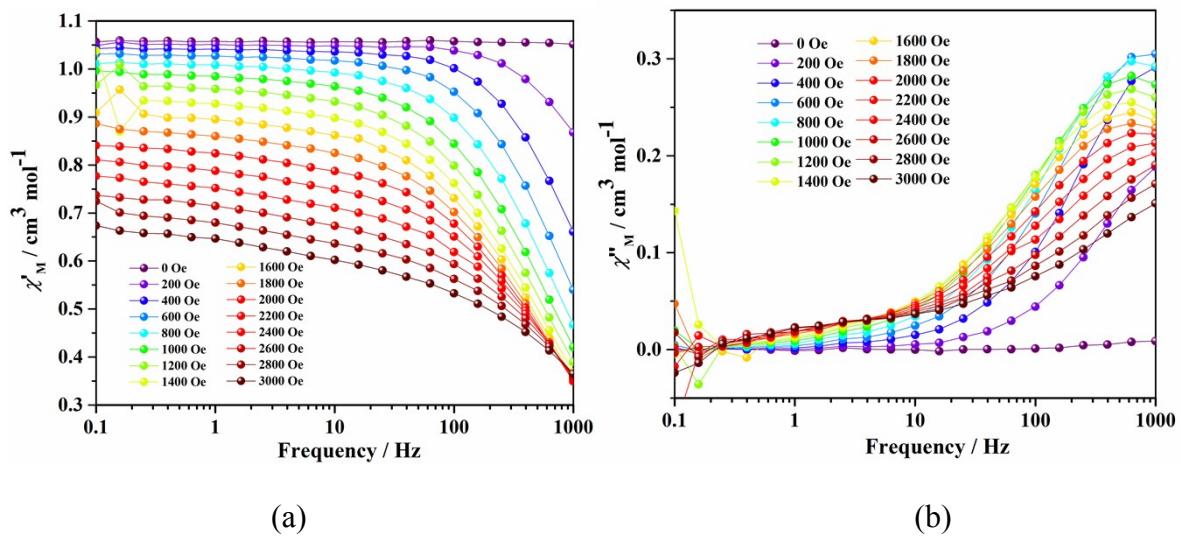
**Fig. S7** Frequency and temperature dependency without dc field for (a) **1** and (b) **2**.



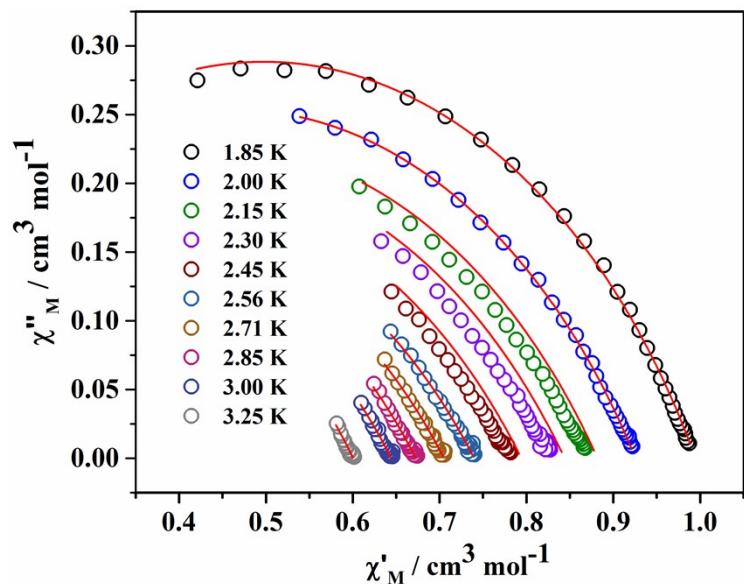
**Fig. S8** Frequency dependency of the (a) in phase and (b) out of phase ac susceptibility under indicated dc fields at 1.85 K for **1**. The indication for the fields for both plots are shown only in (b) for clarity.



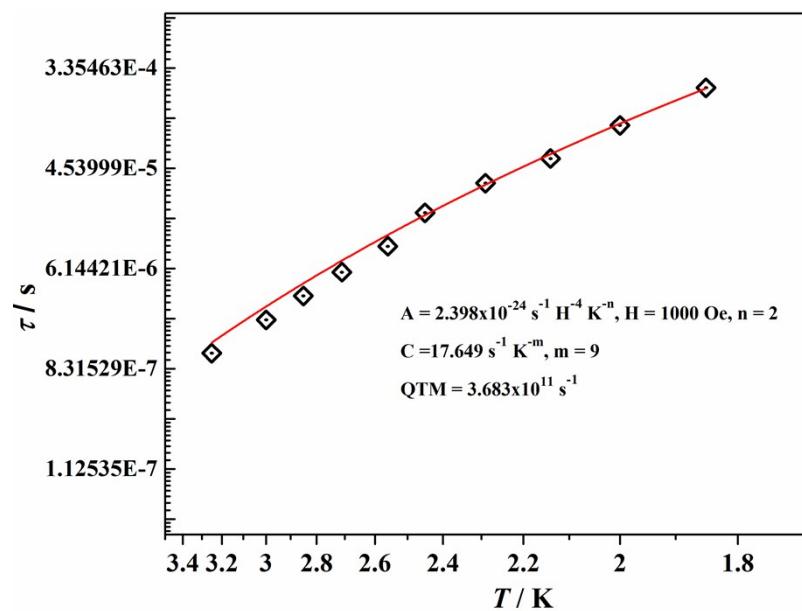
**Fig. S9** Frequency and temperature dependency without dc field for **1'**.



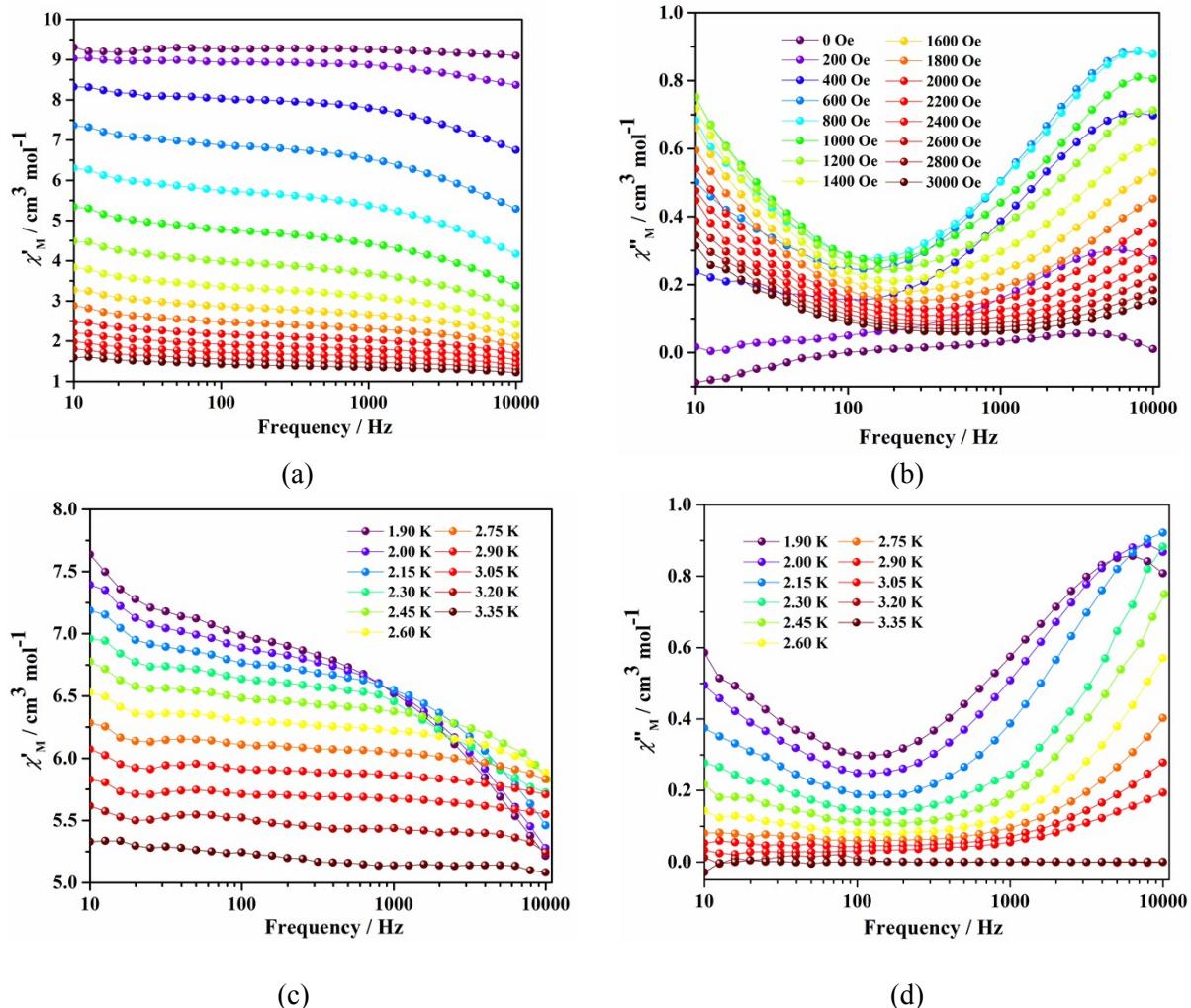
**Fig. S10** Frequency dependency of the (a) in phase and (b) out of phase ac susceptibility under indicated dc fields at 1.85K for **1'**.



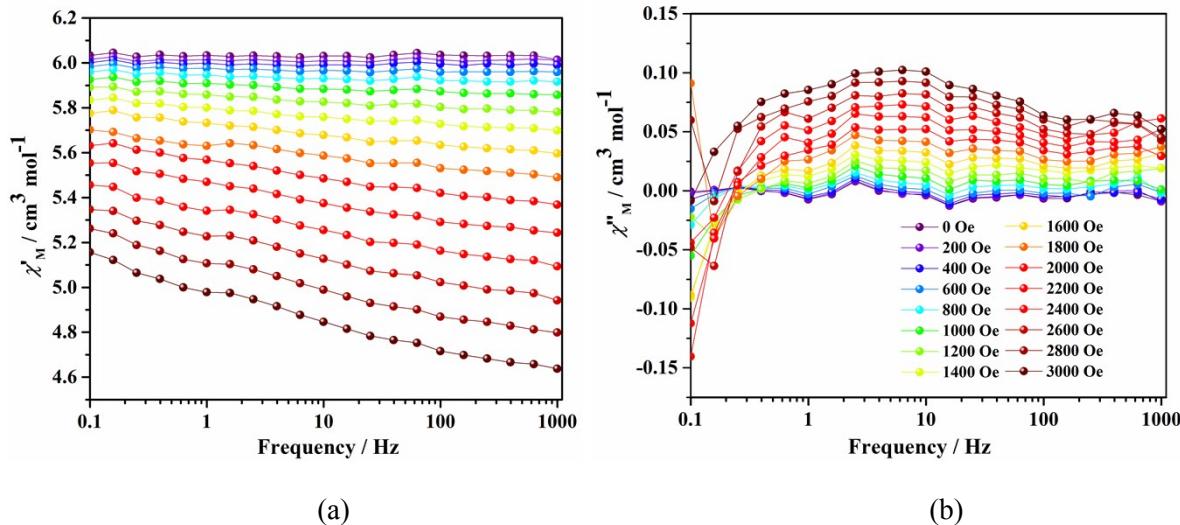
**Fig. S11** Cole-Cole plots for **1'** at different temperatures.



**Fig. S12** Temperature dependence of relaxation time for **1'** with quantum tunnelling, direct contributions and Raman process.



**Fig. S13** Frequency dependency of the (a) in phase and (b) out of phase ac susceptibility under indicated dc fields at 1.85 K (the indication for the fields for both plots are shown only in (b) for clarity) and frequency dependency of the (c) in-phase and (d) out-of-phase components of the ac magnetic susceptibility under 600 Oe dc field for **1** in the high frequency region.



**Fig. S14** Frequency dependency of the (a) in phase and (b) out of phase ac susceptibility under indicated dc fields at 1.85 K for **2**. The indication for the fields for both plots are shown only in (b) for clarity.

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