

## Supporting Information

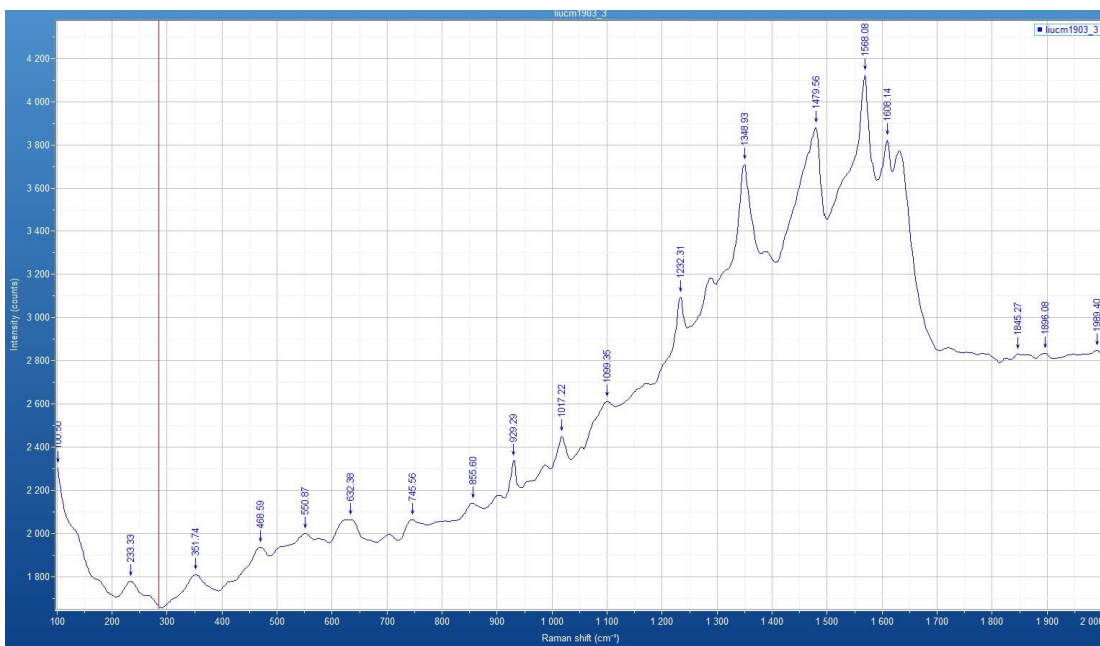
### **Assembly of chiral 3d-4f wheel-like cluster complexes with achiral ligands: single-molecule magnet behaviour and magnetocaloric effect**

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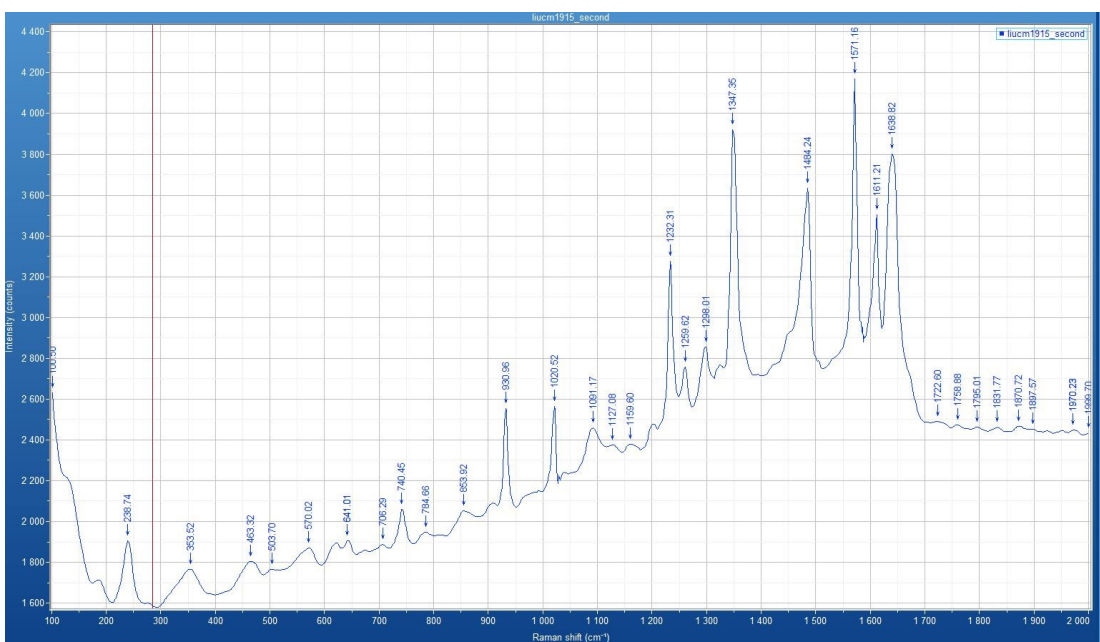
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**Fig. S1.** Raman spectrum of complex 4.



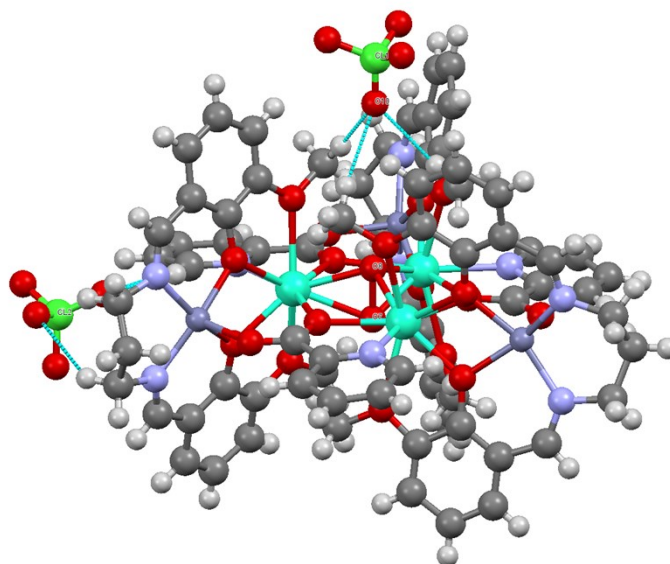
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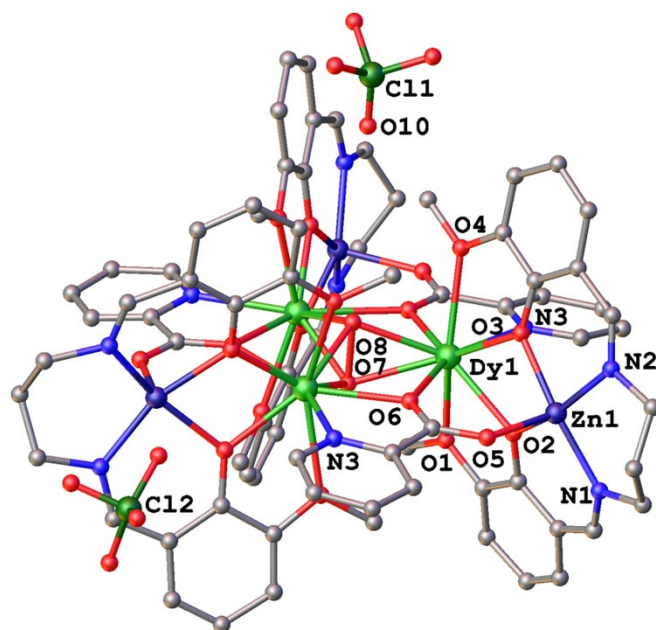
Dy1 structures

EP-9	1 D9h	Enneagon
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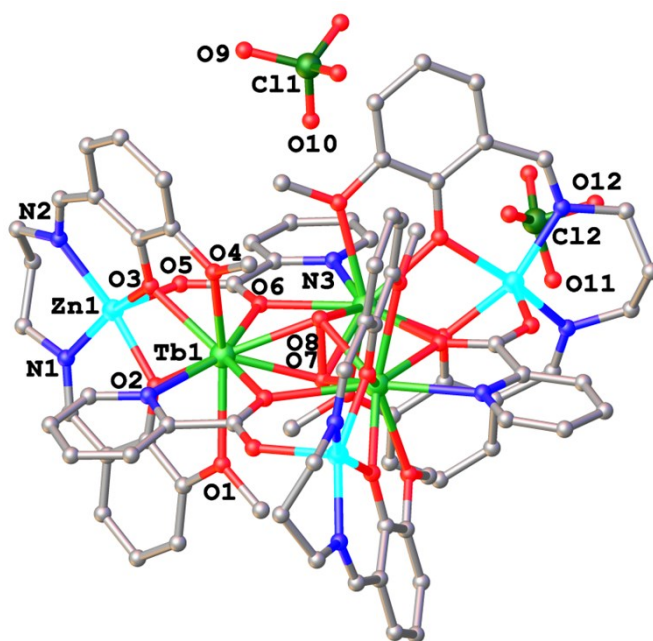
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ABOXIV	33.661	22.181	17.376	16.003	10.464	8.748	5.007	4.357	6.627	5.073	13.344	7.153	<b>3.475</b>



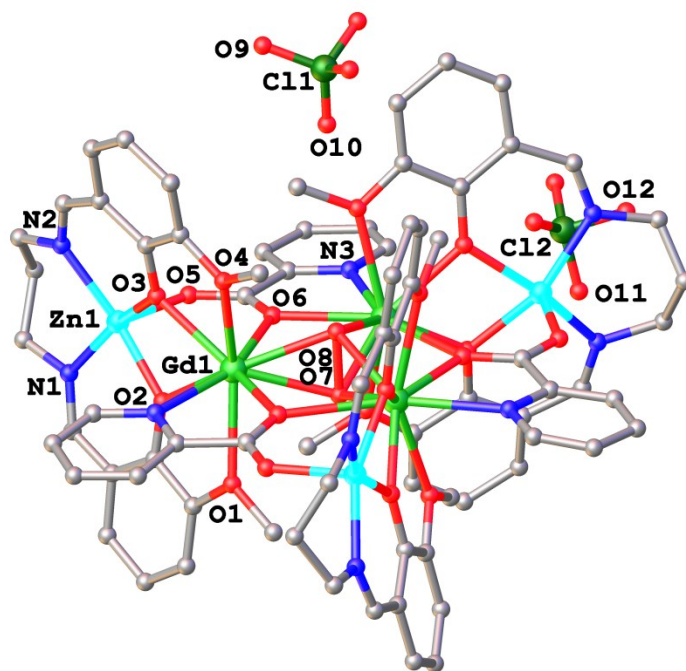
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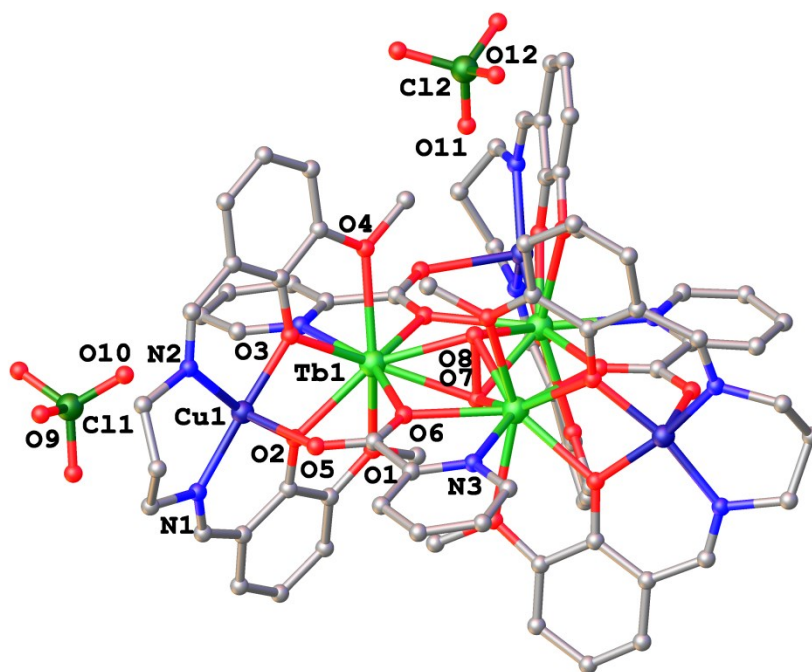
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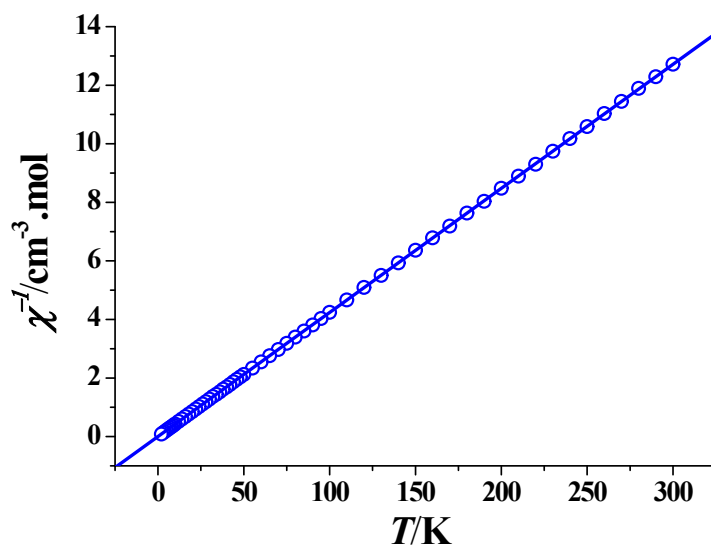
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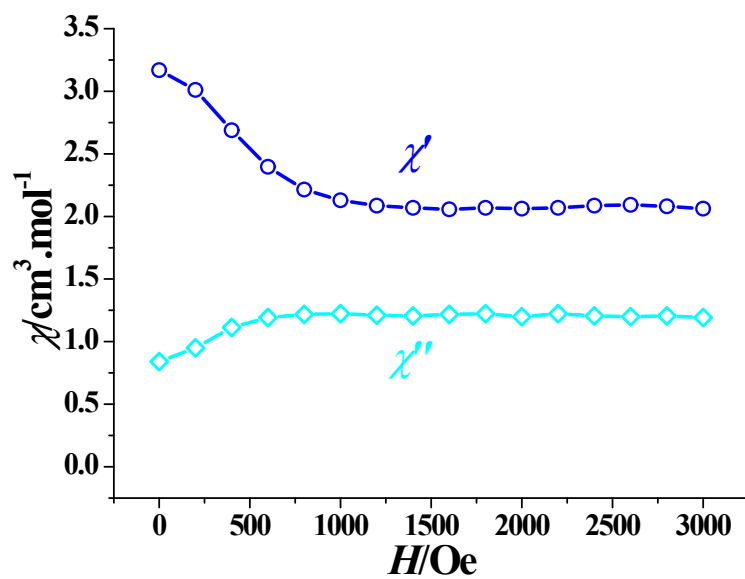
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ABOXIY	33.232	22.068	17.306	15.642	10.001	8.784	4.976	4.295	6.460	5.015	13.071	6.894	<b>3.400</b>



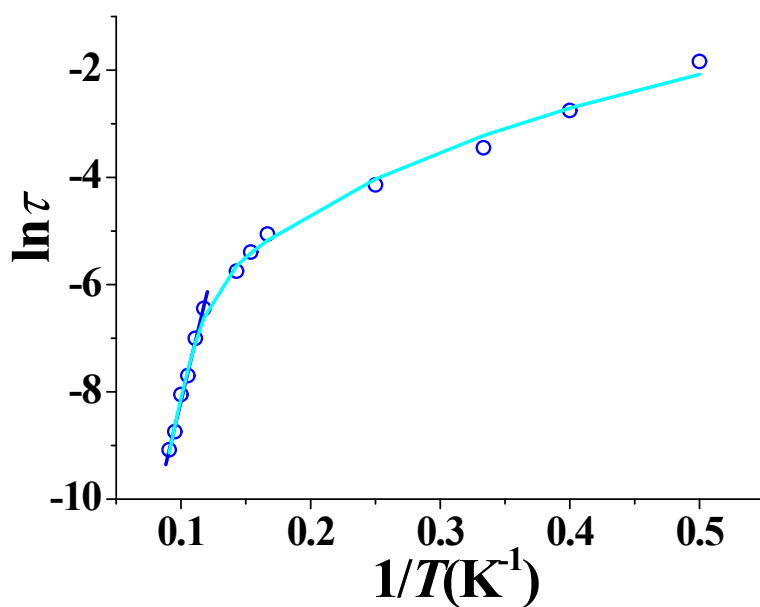
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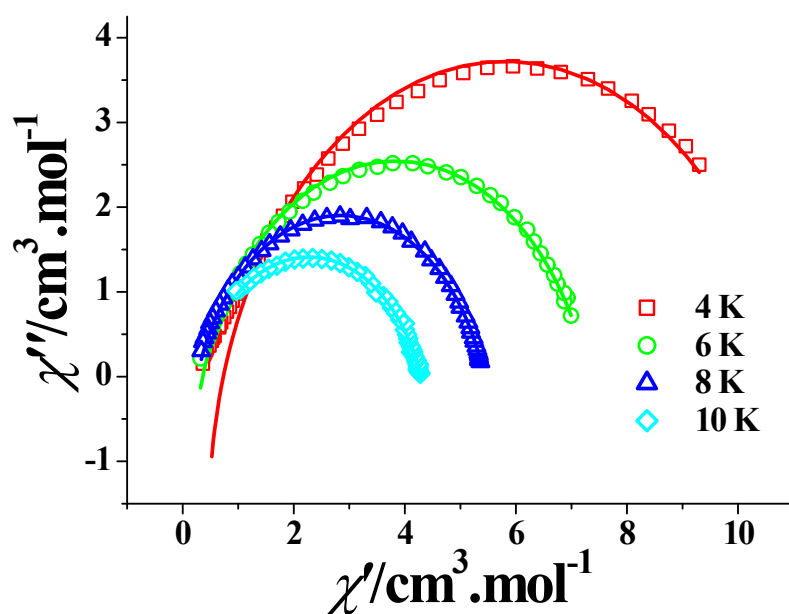


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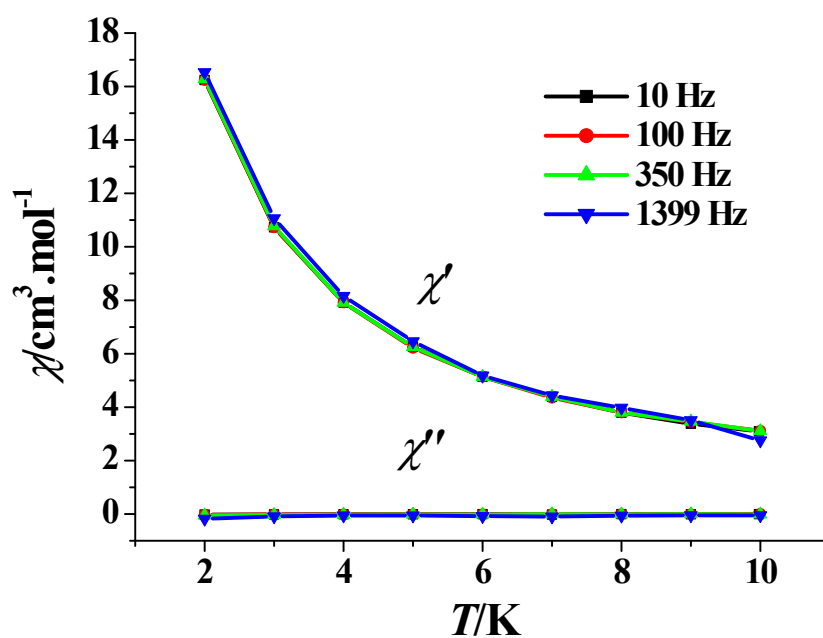


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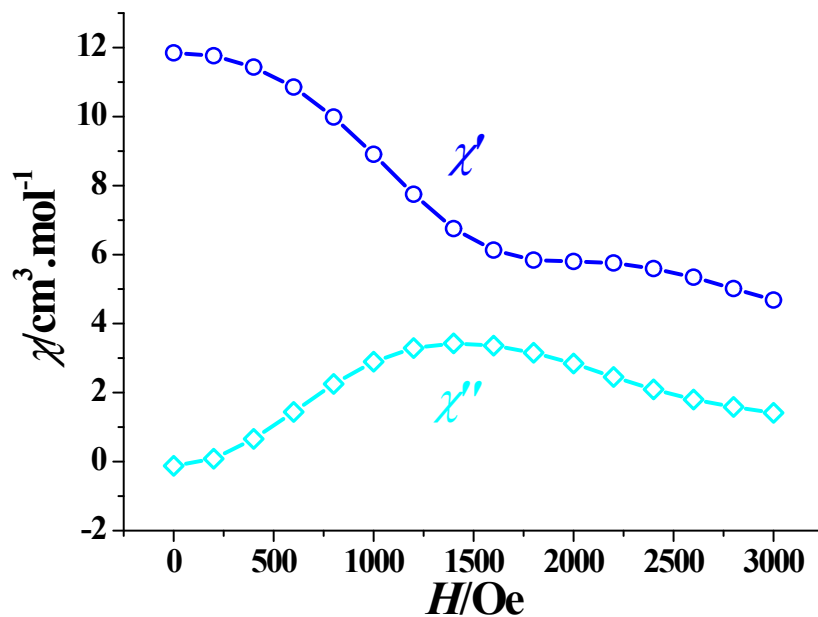




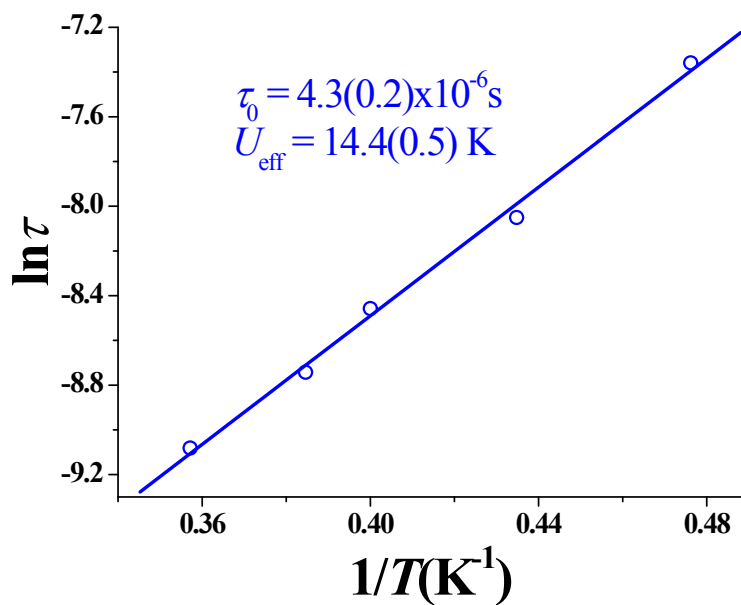
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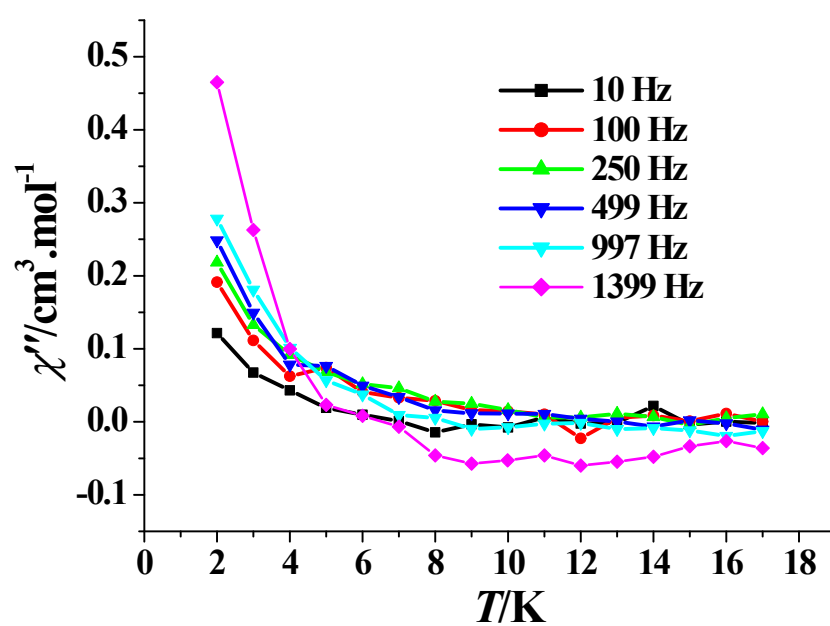


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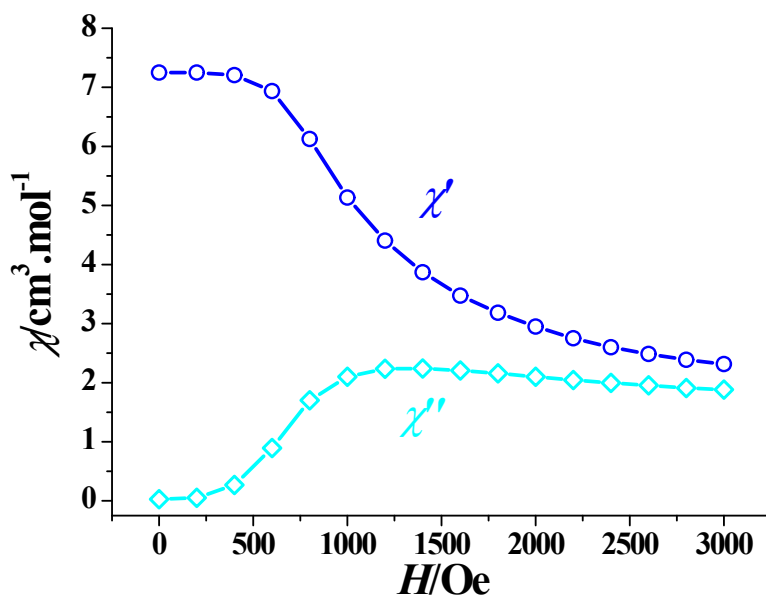
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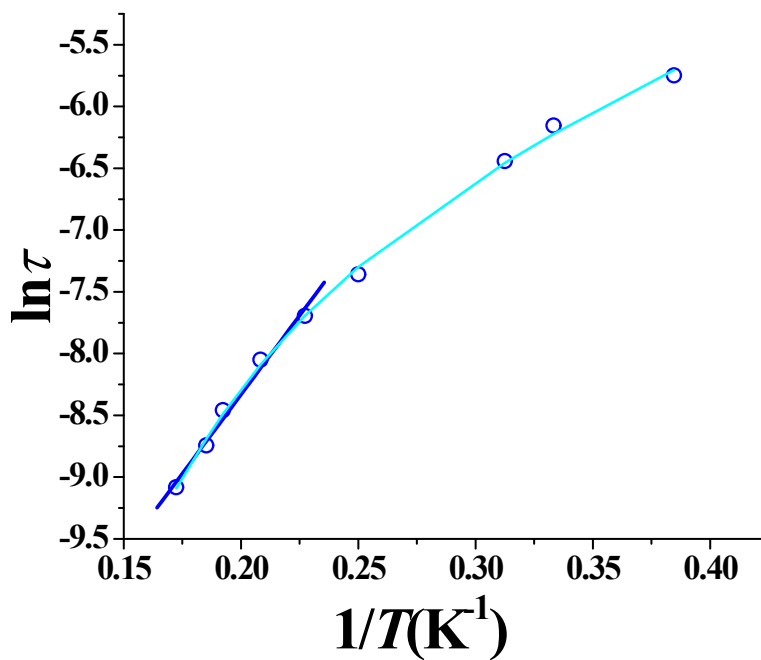
$T(K)$	$\chi_2(\text{cm}^3.\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\chi_1(\text{cm}^3.\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\chi_0(\text{cm}^3.\text{mol}^{-1})$	$\tau_1(\text{s})$	$\alpha_1$	$\tau_2(\text{s})$	$\alpha_2$
1.9	14.8869	7.65154	2.84358	0.08422	0.09757	0.00021	0.09033
2.2	13.5975	6.18693	2.58835	0.0821	0.17129	0.0002	0.06666
2.5	12.4808	5.04745	2.36233	0.0963	0.24692	0.00017	0.05196
2.8	11.4484	4.10277	2.16193	0.1044	0.28194	0.00015	0.04551
3.1	10.4721	3.36066	1.98698	0.10874	0.37049	0.00013	0.03844



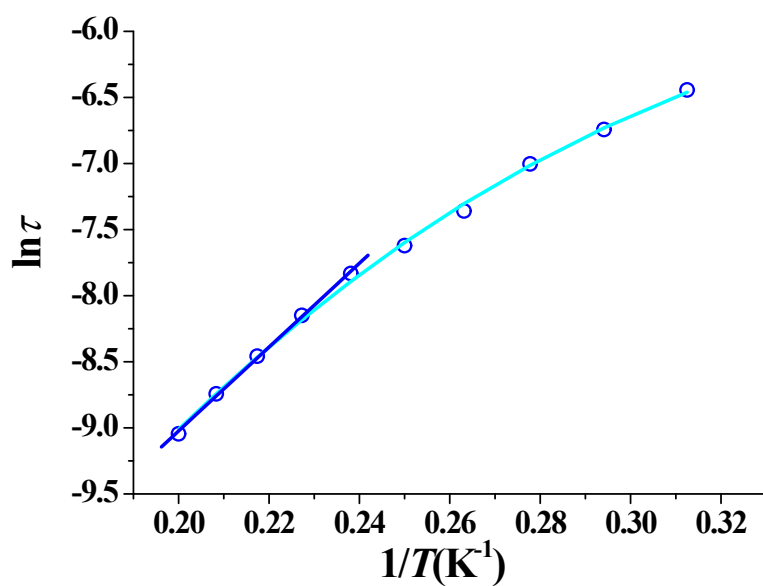
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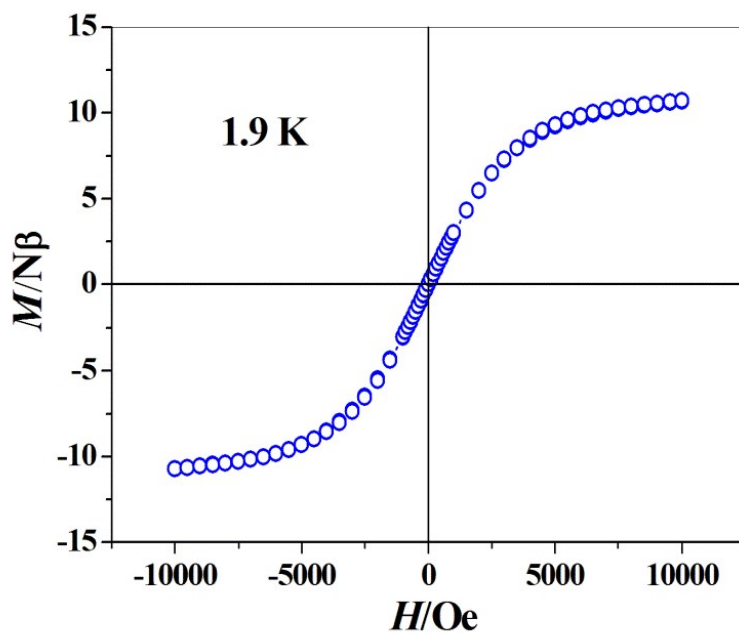
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