

Supporting information

**Rare-Earth Chalcogenidotetrachloride Clusters ( $\text{RE}_3\text{ECl}_4$ ,  
 $\text{RE} = \text{Dy, Gd, Y}$ ;  $\text{E} = \text{S, Se, Te}$ ): Syntheses and Materials  
Properties**

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**Table S1** Crystal data and structure refinement for **Dy<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub>**, **Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**, and **Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

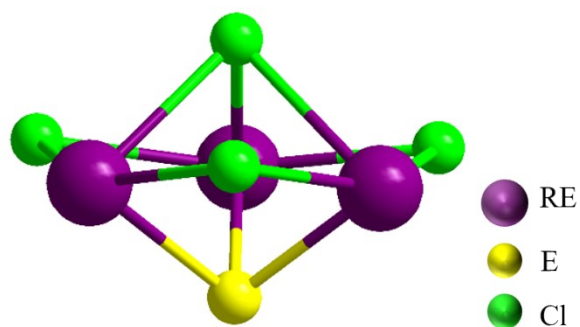
Identification code	<b>Dy<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub></b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>69</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Dy <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>69</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Dy <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Se	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>69</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Dy <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Te
Formula weight	1283.33	1330.23	1378.87
Temperature/K	100	100	100
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	12.4410(7)	12.4872(9)	12.6415(8)
<i>b</i> /Å	19.9615(12)	19.9721(15)	20.0788(14)
<i>c</i> /Å	18.8018(10)	18.7396(13)	18.6221(13)
<i>α</i> /°	90	90	90
<i>β</i> /°	90.463(2)	90.542(3)	91.076(3)
<i>γ</i> /°	90	90	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	4669.1(5)	4673.4(6)	4725.9(6)
2θ range for data collection/°	5.618 to 105.95	4.404 to 50.052	4.61 to 50.052
Index ranges	-14 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14, -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 23, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	-14 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14, -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 23, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 21	-15 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14, -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 23, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22
Reflections collected	40689 8209	57524 8198	37722 8323
Independent reflections	[ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0794, <i>R</i> <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0651]	[ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0695, <i>R</i> <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0459]	[ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0430, <i>R</i> <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0371]
Data/restraints/parameters	8209/317/492	8198/1771/459	8323/859/493
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.056	1.274	1.253
Final <i>R</i> indexes [ <i>I</i> ≥ 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0748, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1905	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0901, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1961	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0906, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1952
Final <i>R</i> indexes [all data]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0822, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1954	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0954, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1985	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0930, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1963

**Table S2** Crystal data and structure refinement for **Gd<sub>3</sub>SrCl<sub>4</sub>**, **Gd<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**, and **Gd<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Identification code	<b>Gd<sub>3</sub>SrCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Gd<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Gd<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub></b>
Empirical formula	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>69</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Gd <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> S	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>69</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Gd <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Se	C <sub>42</sub> H <sub>69</sub> Cl <sub>4</sub> Gd <sub>3</sub> O <sub>3</sub> Te
Formula weight	1267.58	1314.48	1363.12
Temperature/K	200	100	100
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	12.6429(6)	12.5326(6)	12.7229(6)
<i>b</i> /Å	20.1652(10)	20.0475(12)	20.1326(9)
<i>c</i> /Å	18.8257(10)	18.8177(11)	18.5683(9)
<i>α</i> /°	90	90	90
<i>β</i> /°	90.135(2)	91.071(2)	91.302(2)
<i>γ</i> /°	90	90	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	4799.5(4)	4727.1(5)	4755.0(4)
2θ range for data collection/°	4.582 to 50.054	4.604 to 50.054	4.832 to 50.054
Index ranges	-14 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15, -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 24, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	-14 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14, -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 23, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15, -23 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 20, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22
Reflections collected	39723 8443	63627 8190	34015 8387
Independent reflections	[ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0526, <i>R</i> <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0401]	[ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.1249, <i>R</i> <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0794]	[ <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub> = 0.0946, <i>R</i> <sub>sigma</sub> = 0.0776]
Data/restraints/parameters	8443/318/491	8190/1251/491	8387/326/490
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.222	1.051	1.122
Final <i>R</i> indexes [ <i>I</i> ≥ 2σ( <i>I</i> )]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0543, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1172	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0779, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1627	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0757, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1470
Final <i>R</i> indexes [all data]	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.0634, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1207	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.1071, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1793	<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> = 0.1076, <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> = 0.1597

**Table S3** Crystal data and structure refinement for  $\text{Y}_3\text{SbCl}_4$ ,  $\text{Y}_3\text{SeCl}_4$ , and  $\text{Y}_3\text{TeCl}_4$ .

Identification code	$\text{Y}_3\text{SbCl}_4$	$\text{Y}_3\text{SeCl}_4$	$\text{Y}_3\text{TeCl}_4$
Empirical formula	$\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{69}\text{Cl}_4\text{O}_3\text{SY}_3$	$\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{69}\text{Cl}_4\text{O}_3\text{SeY}_3$	$\text{C}_{42}\text{H}_{69}\text{Cl}_4\text{O}_3\text{TeY}_3$
Formula weight	1062.56	1109.46	1158.10
Temperature/K	100	100	200
Crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	monoclinic
Space group	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$	$P2_1/n$
$a/\text{\AA}$	12.4185(7)	12.5114(9)	12.7624(11)
$b/\text{\AA}$	19.9574(11)	20.0184(14)	20.192(4)
$c/\text{\AA}$	18.7827(11)	18.8023(13)	18.727(4)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90	90	90
$\beta/^\circ$	90.671(3)	90.768(2)	91.396(5)
$\gamma/^\circ$	90	90	90
Volume/ $\text{\AA}^3$	4654.8(5)	4708.8(6)	4824.3(14)
$2\theta$ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	5.622 to 105.954	5.61 to 105.962	4.584 to 55.036
Index ranges	$-14 \leq h \leq 14,$ $-23 \leq k \leq 23,$ $-22 \leq l \leq 22$	$-14 \leq h \leq 14,$ $-23 \leq k \leq 23,$ $-22 \leq l \leq 22$	$-15 \leq h \leq 16,$ $-25 \leq k \leq 26,$ $-24 \leq l \leq 24$
Reflections collected	62841 8194	47339 8184	48142 11079
Independent reflections	$[R_{\text{int}} = 0.0866,$ $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0531]$	$[R_{\text{int}} = 0.0694,$ $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0539]$	$[R_{\text{int}} = 0.0938,$ $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0854]$
Data/restraints/parameters	8194/771/504	8184/637/534	11079/939/493
Goodness-of-fit on $F^2$	1.167	1.095	1.013
Final $R$ indexes $[I \geq 2\sigma(I)]$	$R_1 = 0.0929,$ $wR_2 = 0.2047$	$R_1 = 0.0966,$ $wR_2 = 0.2693$	$R_1 = 0.0522,$ $wR_2 = 0.1165$
Final $R$ indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.0972,$ $wR_2 = 0.2066$	$R_1 = 0.0984,$ $wR_2 = 0.2720$	$R_1 = 0.1032,$ $wR_2 = 0.1392$



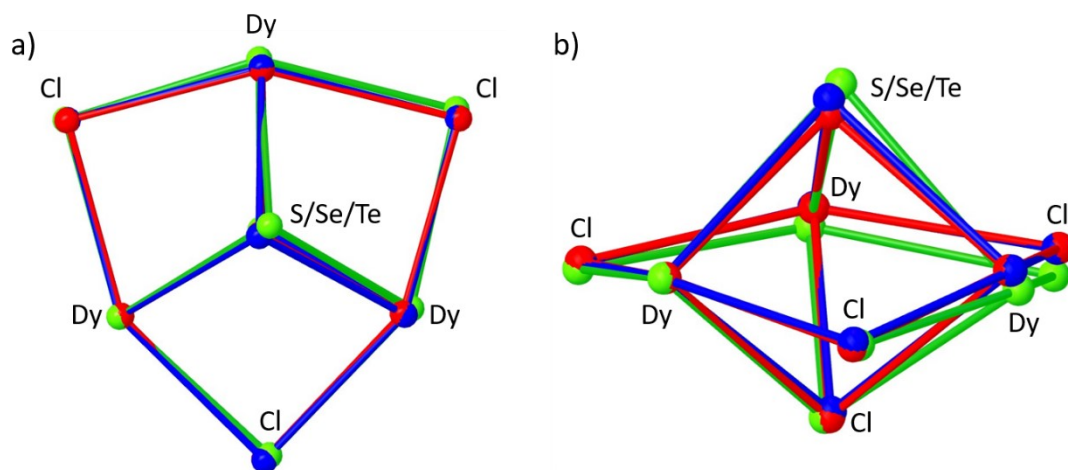
**Figure S1.** Ball-and-stick depictions of the core of  $\text{Dy}_3\text{ECl}_4$  (E = S, Se, Te).

**Table S4** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Gd<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub>**, **Gd<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**, and **Gd<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**

Bond Distance (Å)	<b>Gd<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Gd<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Gd<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub></b>
Gd1-S/Se/Te	2.718(2)	2.8510(18)	3.0663(13)
Gd2-S/Se/Te	2.717(2)	2.8362(18)	3.0602(13)
Gd3-S/Se/Te	2.731(2)	2.8336(18)	3.0564(12)
Average	2.722(8)	2.8403(9)	3.0609(5)
Gd1-Gd2	3.8442(7)	3.8901(10)	3.9536(11)
Gd2-Gd3	3.8422(7)	3.8770(12)	3.9571(10)
Gd3-Gd1	3.8568(7)	3.8747(11)	3.9564(10)
Average	3.8477(8)	3.8806(8)	3.9557(2)

**Table S5** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Y<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub>**, **Y<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**, and **Y<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**

Bond Distance (Å)	<b>Y<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Y<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub></b>	<b>Y<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub></b>
Y1-S/Se/Te	2.6860(3)	2.8140(2)	3.0329(8)
Y2-S/Se/Te	2.6740(3)	2.8331(9)	3.0341(7)
Y3-S/Se/Te	2.6960(3)	2.8259(9)	3.0450(8)
Average	2.6850(11)	2.8243(9)	3.0373(7)
Y1-Y2	3.7870(14)	3.8430(8)	3.9353(8)
Y2-Y3	3.7890(16)	3.8586(9)	3.9374(8)
Y3-Y1	3.8090(15)	3.8500(2)	3.9302(10)
Average	3.7950(12)	3.8505(8)	3.9343(4)



**Figure S2.** Overlay (a) top view and (b) front view of the core in  $\text{Dy}_3\text{SCl}_4$  (red),  $\text{Dy}_3\text{SeCl}_4$  (blue), and  $\text{Dy}_3\text{TeCl}_4$  (green). Other atoms are omitted for clarity.

**Table S6** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Dy<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Dy1-Cl1	2.739(3)	Dy2-Cl1	2.755(3)	Dy3-Cl2	2.752(3)
Dy1-Cl2	2.745(3)	Dy2-Cl3	2.740(3)	Dy3-Cl3	2.753(3)
Dy1-Cl4	2.861(3)	Dy2-Cl4	2.855(3)	Dy3-Cl4	2.874(3)
Dy1-C1	2.655(11)	Dy2-C11	2.627(16)	Dy3-C21	2.633(15)
Dy1-C2	2.628(11)	Dy2-C12	2.615(13)	Dy3-C22	2.634(15)
Dy1-C3	2.644(12)	Dy2-C13	2.664(15)	Dy3-C23	2.658(17)
Dy1-C4	2.665(13)	Dy2-C14	2.643(13)	Dy3-C24	2.663(16)
Dy1-C5	2.712(14)	Dy2-C15	2.619(15)	Dy3-C25	2.641(16)
Dy1-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.377	Dy2-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.359	Dy3-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.374



**Table S7** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Dy1-Cl1	2.742(5)	Dy2-Cl1	2.763(5)	Dy3-Cl2	2.746(5)
Dy1-Cl3	2.749(5)	Dy2-Cl2	2.751(4)	Dy3-Cl3	2.748(5)
Dy1-Cl4	2.845(4)	Dy2-Cl4	2.867(4)	Dy3-Cl4	2.852(4)
Dy1-C1	2.693(16)	Dy2-C11	2.670(2)	Dy3-C21	2.630(2)
Dy1-C2	2.702(15)	Dy2-C12	2.665(17)	Dy3-C22	2.630(2)
Dy1-C3	2.673(16)	Dy2-C13	2.673(16)	Dy3-C23	2.630(3)
Dy1-C4	2.610(2)	Dy2-C14	2.686(15)	Dy3-C24	2.650(3)
Dy1-C5	2.670(2)	Dy2-C15	2.656(19)	Dy3-C25	2.680(2)
Dy1-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.378	Dy2-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.384	Dy3-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.354

**Table S8** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Dy1-Cl1	2.774(5)	Dy2-Cl1	2.746(5)	Dy3-Cl2	2.764(5)
Dy1-Cl3	2.775(5)	Dy2-Cl2	2.766(4)	Dy3-Cl3	2.769(5)
Dy1-Cl4	2.863(5)	Dy2-Cl4	2.828(4)	Dy3-Cl4	2.821(4)
Dy1-C1	2.672(16)	Dy2-C11	2.640(2)	Dy3-C21	2.612(16)
Dy1-C2	2.648(14)	Dy2-C12	2.620(2)	Dy3-C22	2.597(15)
Dy1-C3	2.629(16)	Dy2-C13	2.630(2)	Dy3-C23	2.685(17)
Dy1-C4	2.620(2)	Dy2-C14	2.630(3)	Dy3-C24	2.720(2)
Dy1-C5	2.650(2)	Dy2-C15	2.620(2)	Dy3-C25	2.670(19)
Dy1-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.354	Dy2-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.356	Dy3-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.369

**Table S9** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Gd<sub>3</sub>SnCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Gd1-Cl1	2.780(3)	Gd2-Cl1	2.770(3)	Gd3-Cl2	2.777(2)
Gd1-Cl3	2.773(3)	Gd2-Cl2	2.773(2)	Gd3-Cl3	2.767(3)
Gd1-Cl4	2.918(2)	Gd2-Cl4	2.888(2)	Gd3-Cl4	2.893(2)
Gd1-C1	2.667(12)	Gd2-C11	2.692(14)	Gd3-C21	2.650(12)
Gd1-C2	2.655(12)	Gd2-C12	2.682(15)	Gd3-C22	2.648(11)
Gd1-C3	2.654(14)	Gd2-C13	2.663(12)	Gd3-C23	2.654(11)
Gd1-C4	2.684(13)	Gd2-C14	2.648(10)	Gd3-C24	2.675(11)
Gd1-C5	2.675(11)	Gd2-C15	2.677(12)	Gd3-C25	2.671(11)
Gd1-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.397	Gd2-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.396	Gd3-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.386

**Table S10** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Gd<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Gd1-Cl1	2.770(4)	Gd2-Cl1	2.783(4)	Gd3-Cl2	2.771(5)
Gd1-Cl3	2.779(4)	Gd2-Cl2	2.790(4)	Gd3-Cl3	2.769(4)
Gd1-Cl4	2.882(4)	Gd2-Cl4	2.899(4)	Gd3-Cl4	2.885(4)
Gd1-C1	2.669(13)	Gd2-C11	2.700(14)	Gd3-C21	2.677(13)
Gd1-C2	2.678(15)	Gd2-C12	2.680(16)	Gd3-C22	2.627(13)
Gd1-C3	2.681(14)	Gd2-C13	2.680(19)	Gd3-C23	2.660(16)
Gd1-C4	2.693(12)	Gd2-C14	2.673(16)	Gd3-C24	2.75(2)
Gd1-C5	2.667(12)	Gd2-C15	2.713(13)	Gd3-C25	2.768(15)
Gd1-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.393	Gd2-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.410	Gd3-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.414

**Table S11** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Gd<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Gd1-Cl1	2.770(4)	Gd2-Cl1	2.786(4)	Gd3-Cl2	2.783(4)
Gd1-Cl3	2.792(4)	Gd2-Cl2	2.804(4)	Gd3-Cl3	2.794(4)
Gd1-Cl4	2.864(4)	Gd 2-Cl4	2.889(4)	Gd3-Cl4	2.853(3)
Gd1-C1	2.66(2)	Gd2-C11	2.65(2)	Gd3-C21	2.663(18)
Gd1-C2	2.65(2)	Gd2-C12	2.65(2)	Gd3-C22	2.69(2)
Gd1-C3	2.655(19)	Gd2-C13	2.66(3)	Gd3-C23	2.657(18)
Gd1-C4	2.638(19)	Gd2-C14	2.659(16)	Gd3-C24	2.627(17)
Gd1-C5	2.666(19)	Gd2-C15	2.675(17)	Gd3-C25	2.642(19)
Gd1-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.382	Gd2-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.383	Gd3-Cp <sub>centroid</sub>	2.386

**Table S12** Selected bond distances (Å) for  $Y_3SCl_4$ .

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Y1-Cl1	2.742(3)	Y2-Cl1	2.729(3)	Y3-Cl2	2.737(4)
Y1-Cl3	2.741(2)	Y2-Cl2	2.733(3)	Y3-Cl3	2.736(3)
Y1-Cl4	2.873(3)	Y2-Cl4	2.865(3)	Y3-Cl4	2.863(3)
Y1-C1	2.61(3)	Y2-C11	2.654(16)	Y3-C21	2.650(16)
Y1-C2	2.62(2)	Y2-C12	2.714(13)	Y3-C22	2.616(15)
Y1-C3	2.66(2)	Y2-C13	2.728(14)	Y3-C23	2.625(15)
Y1-C4	2.62(2)	Y2-C14	2.660(18)	Y3-C24	2.615(15)
Y1-C5	2.65(2)	Y2-C15	2.592(19)	Y3-C25	2.610(15)
Y1-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.345	Y2-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.381	Y3-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.332

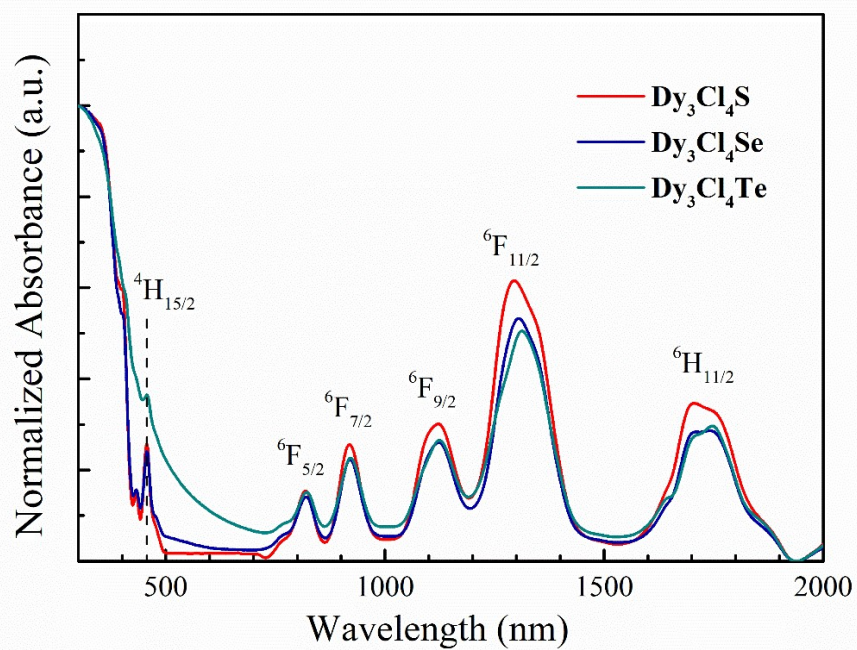
**Table S13** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Y<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Y1-Cl1	2.7400(3)	Y2-Cl1	2.7410(16)	Y3-Cl2	2.7397(19)
Y1-Cl3	2.7362(18)	Y2-Cl2	2.7301(18)	Y3-Cl3	2.7509(18)
Y1-Cl4	2.838(4)	Y2-Cl4	2.8460(16)	Y3-Cl4	2.8559(18)
Y1-C1	2.699(11)	Y2-C11	2.626(8)	Y3-C21	2.641(9)
Y1-C2	2.654(14)	Y2-C12	2.631(8)	Y3-C22	2.641(9)
Y1-C3	2.653(17)	Y2-C13	2.644(8)	Y3-C23	2.623(9)
Y1-C4	2.652(19)	Y2-C14	2.651(8)	Y3-C24	2.658(11)
Y1-C5	2.720(12)	Y2-C15	2.628(8)	Y3-C25	2.648(9)
Y1-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.393	Y2-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.363	Y3-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.361

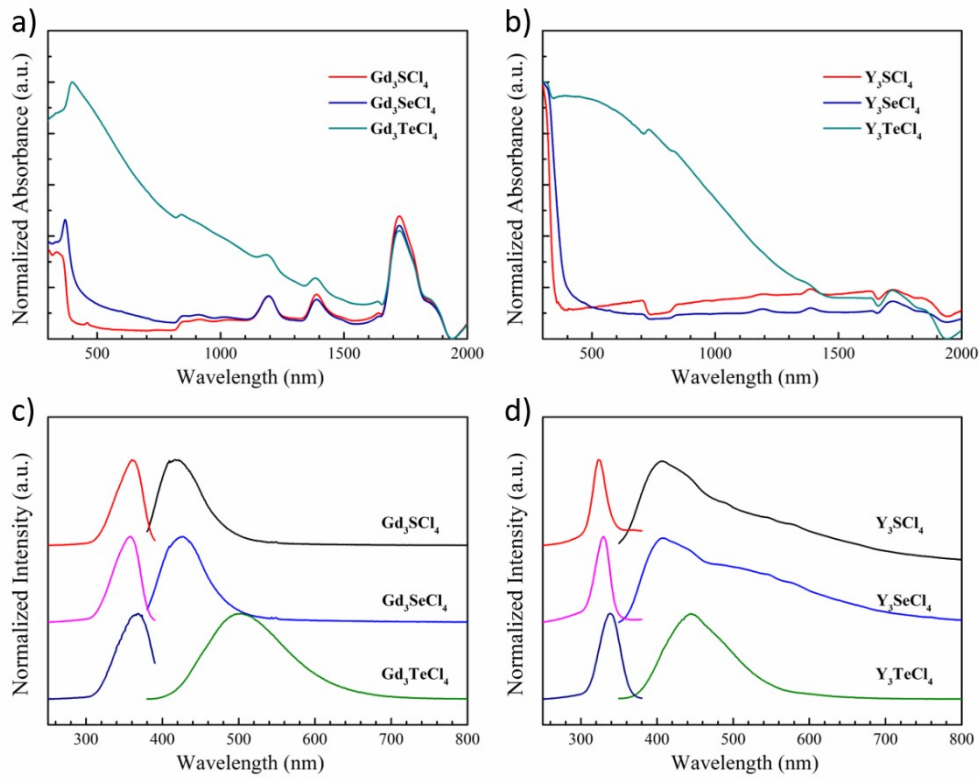
**Table S14** Selected bond distances (Å) for **Y<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>**.

Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)	Bond	Length (Å)
Y1-Cl1	2.7651(16)	Y2-Cl1	2.7532(17)	Y3-Cl2	2.7582(15)
Y1-Cl3	2.7525(17)	Y2-Cl2	2.7591(17)	Y3-Cl3	2.7417(16)
Y1-Cl4	2.8565(15)	Y2-Cl4	2.8271(16)	Y3-Cl4	2.8462(15)
Y1-C1	2.651(6)	Y2-C11	2.647(7)	Y3-C21	2.638(6)
Y1-C2	2.634(6)	Y2-C12	2.663(7)	Y3-C22	2.625(6)
Y1-C3	2.654(6)	Y2-C13	2.649(6)	Y3-C23	2.637(6)
Y1-C4	2.658(6)	Y2-C14	2.624(6)	Y3-C24	2.661(6)
Y1-C5	2.656(6)	Y2-C15	2.622(6)	Y3-C25	2.641(6)
Y1-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.365	Y2-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.361	Y3-C <sub>pcentroid</sub>	2.359

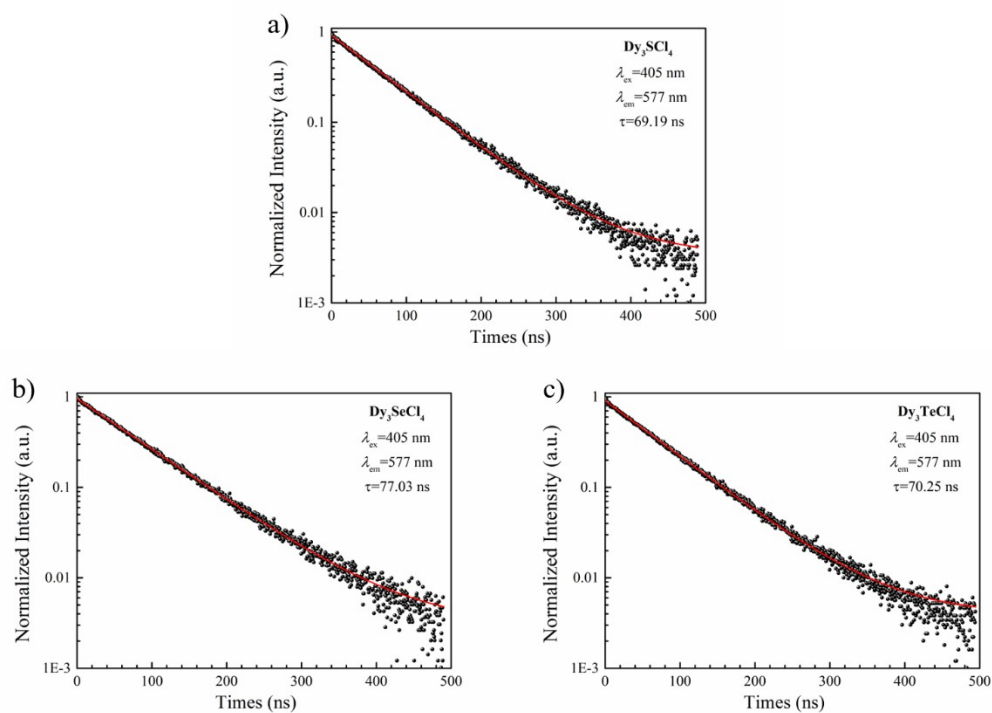




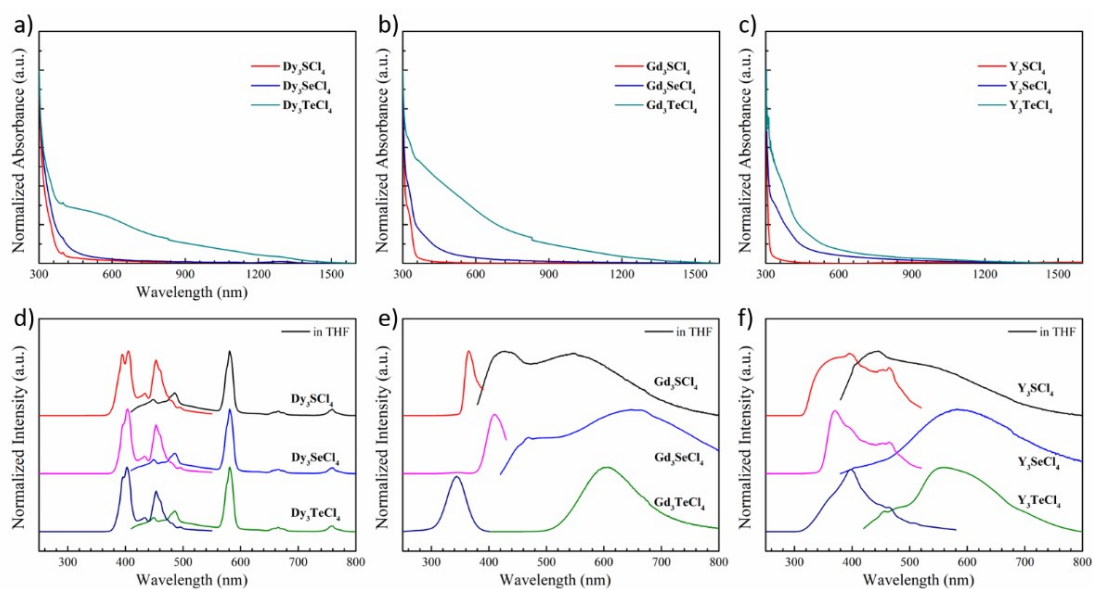
**Figure S3.** Absorption spectrum of **Dy<sub>3</sub>SCl<sub>4</sub>**, **Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>**, and **Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>** with standard assignments for the various spectral transitions.



**Figure S4.** Absorption spectra of (a)  $\text{Gd}_3\text{ECl}_4$  and (b)  $\text{Y}_3\text{ECl}_4$  (E=S, Se, and Te). Room-temperature (c) excitation ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 360$  nm) and emission ( $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 418$  nm and 504 nm) spectra of  $\text{Gd}_3\text{ECl}_4$  (E = S, Se, and Te); (d) excitation ( $\lambda_{\text{ex}} = 324$  nm) and emission ( $\lambda_{\text{em}} = 407$  nm and 445 nm) spectra of  $\text{Y}_3\text{ECl}_4$  (E = S, Se, and Te).



**Figure S5.** Photoluminescence decay curves of (a)  $\text{Dy}_3\text{SCl}_4$ , (b)  $\text{Dy}_3\text{SeCl}_4$ , and (c)  $\text{Dy}_3\text{TeCl}_4$  complex under 405 nm laser excitation. The solid lines are the fit curve.



**Figure S6.** Absorption spectra (a-c) and room-temperature excitation and emission spectra (d-f) of  $\text{RE}_3\text{ECl}_4$  (RE=Dy, Gd, Y; E=S, Se, and Te) in THF.

**Table S15.** Electronic structure of **Dy1** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>ScI<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	6.15×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.14	19.58	96.3%  ± 15/2)
84.521	0.76	0.95	18.20	19.0%  ± 5/2)+17.7%  ± 9/2)+15.6%  ± 7/2)+14.3%  ± 3/2)...
159.147	4.21	6.11	10.75	43.8%  ± 13/2)+15.3%  ± 7/2)+11.4%  ± 11/2)+10.8%  ± 9/2)...
212.036	0.16	3.21	8.71	35.7%  ± 13/2)+27.4%  ± 11/2)+13.8%  ± 7/2)+9.3%  ± 1/2)...
272.498	1.13	1.99	12.13	38.7%  ± 11/2)+30.6%  ± 9/2)+9.8%  ± 3/2)+7.1%  ± 7/2)...
315.170	0.38	0.58	16.13	34.4%  ± 7/2)+25.9%  ± 9/2)+22.9%  ± 5/2)+11.2%  ± 11/2)...
390.862	5.54×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.13	18.18	31.7%  ± 5/2)+31.7%  ± 3/2)+16.8%  ± 7/2) +14.5%  ± 1/2)...
421.524	5.25×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.16	19.09	53.9%  ± 1/2)+28.3%  ± 3/2)+8.9%  ± 5/2)+3%  ± 9/2)...

**Table S16.** Electronic structure of **Dy2** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>ScI<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	0.15	0.47	18.72	85.1%  ± 15/2)+8.1%  ± 11/2)+2.9%  ± 7/2)
49.914	0.33	0.65	19.95	23.0%  ± 13/2)+21.8%  ± 9/2)+13.4%  ± 5/2)+13.1%  ± 7/2)...
147.550	3.88	6.08	11.47	31.6%  ± 13/2)+16.5%  ± 3/2)+15.1%  ± 7/2) +11.2%  ± 1/2)...
202.003	1.31	2.93	8.60	30.6%  ± 13/2)+28.6%  ± 11/2)+15.9%  ± 5/2)+10.0%  ± 1/2)...
264.957	0.21	1.50	12.09	34.4%  ± 11/2)+28.1%  ± 9/2)+10.9%  ± 13/2) +10.5%  ± 3/2)...
311.195	0.57	0.86	16.01	32.3%  ± 7/2)+28.8%  ± 9/2)+21.7%  ± 5/2)+9.8%  ± 11/2)...
381.584	9.94×10 <sup>-3</sup>	0.13	18.62	31.3%  ± 3/2)+29.5%  ± 5/2)+17.0%  ± 1/2) +16.3%  ± 7/2)...
416.981	4.91×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.11	19.39	50.6%  ± 1/2)+28.4%  ± 3/2)+11.0%  ± 5/2)+4.8%  ± 7/2)...

**Table S17.** Electronic structure of **Dy3** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>ScI<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	5.23×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.12	19.56	94.7%  ± 15/2)+2.6%  ± 11/2)
85.745	0.59	0.70	18.02	20.6%  ± 9/2)+19.2%  ± 13/2)+14.6%  ± 7/2)+14.5%  ± 5/2)...
168.274	9.63	7.10	3.86	53.2%  ± 13/2)+12.6%  ± 3/2)+12.2%  ± 7/2) +8.3%  ± 1/2)...
219.525	0.78	3.41	8.58	35.2%  ± 11/2)+20.5%  ± 13/2)+14.8%  ± 5/2)+11.5%  ± 9/2)...
276.030	0.73	1.78	12.27	34.8%  ± 11/2)+32.7%  ± 9/2)+13.7%  ± 7/2) +8.1%  ± 3/2)...
308.733	0.57	0.70	16.70	33.5%  ± 7/2)+26.8%  ± 5/2)+24.8%  ± 9/2)+7.7%  ± 3/2)...
383.596	0.16	0.22	16.92	33.8%  ± 3/2)+30.8%  ± 5/2)+15.7%  ± 1/2) +15.0%  ± 7/2)...
404.676	9.66×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.36	17.93	54.1%  ± 1/2)+28.2%  ± 3/2)+8.1%  ± 5/2)+4.7%  ± 7/2)...

**Table S18.** Electronic structure of **Dy1** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	3.12×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.46×10 <sup>-2</sup>	19.68	97.4%   ± 15/2)
101.261	0.62	0.91	18.21	20.0%   ± 9/2)+16.3%   ± 13/2)+16.4%   ± 5/2)+16.2%   ± 7/2)...
173.140	3.97	6.60	10.41	51.4%   ± 13/2)+12.7%   ± 7/2)+12.1%   ± 11/2) +10.1%   ± 3/2)...
221.851	0.15	3.89	8.85	30.0%   ± 11/2)+23.9%   ± 13/2)+14.2%   ± 9/2)+13.2%   ± 5/2)...
281.513	0.98	2.08	12.11	33.6%   ± 11/2)+28.7%   ± 9/2)+13.3%   ± 7/2) +6.5%   ± 13/2)...
320.661	0.43	0.63	17.07	31.8%   ± 7/2)+24.7%   ± 5/2)+24.4%   ± 9)+10.2%   ± 11/2)...
389.818	0.10	0.21	18.20	32.5%   ± 13/2)+26.0%   ± 5/2)+24.5%   ± 1/2) +12.4%   ± 7/2)...
424.790	9.18×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.29	18.92	47.0%   ± 1/2)+28.0%   ± 3/2)+12.6%   ± 5/2)+6.5%   ± 7/2)...

**Table S19.** Electronic structure of **Dy2** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	5.91×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.14	19.63	97.0%   ± 15/2)
85.920	0.93	1.31	18.13	20.3%   ± 5/2)+16.7%   ± 1/2)+16.6%   ± 3/2)+15.9%   ± 9/2)...
150.528	4.21	4.54	11.58	39.9%   ± 13/2)+17.8%   ± 7/2)+13.9%   ± 11/2)+8.9%   ± 3/2)...
206.853	8.44	4.88	1.23	41.6%   ± 13/2)+24.1%   ± 11/2)+12.6%   ± 5/2)+9.3%   ± 1/2)...
269.273	1.55	2.23	12.00	40.3%   ± 11/2)+30.9%   ± 9/2)+10.3%   ± 3/2)+8.4%   ± 13/2)...
314.774	0.35	0.47	16.05	34.8%   ± 7/2)+26.5%   ± 9/2)+21.7%   ± 5/2)+12.0%   ± 11/2)...
390.175	3.42×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.10	18.11	32.1%   ± 5/2)+30.6%   ± 3/2)+17.6%   ± 7/2)+14.0%   ± 1/2)...
419.298	3.28×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.12	19.09	53.1%   ± 1/2)+28.8%   ± 3/2)+9.2%   ± 5/2)+3.5%   ± 7/2)...

**Table S20.** Electronic structure of **Dy3** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>SeCl<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	3.35×10 <sup>-2</sup>	7.26×10 <sup>-2</sup>	19.72	97.9%   ± 15/2)
103.652	0.92	1.52	18.10	19.8%   ± 5/2)+16.9%   ± 9/2)+15.3%   ± 3/2)+15.1%   ± 1/2)...
162.566	4.27	4.86	11.11	45.1%   ± 13/2)+16.5%   ± 7/2)+13.9%   ± 11/2)+10.7%   ± 9/2)...
214.768	0.57	4.51	8.62	35.9%   ± 13/2)+25.7%   ± 11/2)+13.6%   ± 5/2)+8.7%   ± 1/2)...
273.421	1.80	2.32	12.14	39.2%   ± 11/2)+30.6%   ± 9/2)+9.5%   ± 3/2)+8.0%   ± 7/2)...
317.398	0.20	0.34	16.02	33.5%   ± 7/2)+25.8%   ± 9/2)+22.5%   ± 5/2)+11.6%   ± 11/2)...
385.394	1.08×10 <sup>-2</sup>	9.54×10 <sup>-2</sup>	18.90	31.5%   ± 5/2)+28.2%   ± 3/2)+21.4%   ± 1/2)+14.3%   ± 7/2)...
430.855	2.16×10 <sup>-2</sup>	6.60×10 <sup>-2</sup>	19.56	47.1%   ± 1/2)+28.6%   ± 3/2)+12.6%   ± 5/2)+5.9%   ± 7/2)...

**Table S21.** Electronic structure of **Dy1** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	4.48×10 <sup>-3</sup>	8.33×10 <sup>-3</sup>	19.84	99.5%   ± 15/2)
168.402	11.04	8.81	1.89	52.2%   ± 13/2)+16.0%   ± 9/2)+13.2%   ± 5/2)+6.3%   ± 1/2)...
196.994	5.50	4.93	1.49	27.2%   ± 13/2)+24.0%   ± 11/2)+22.6%   ± 7/2) + 14.1%   ± 3/2)...
245.736	8.16	6.33	7.45×10 <sup>-2</sup>	30.2%   ± 11/2)+26.2%   ± 9/2)+18.0%   ± 13/2)+12.7%   ± 5/2)...
299.713	2.31	3.97	11.78	37.6%   ± 11/2)+28.5%   ± 9/2)+17.7%   ± 7/2)+11.2%   ± 3/2)...
332.135	0.80	1.04	16.22	33.1%   ± 7/2)+31.6%   ± 5/2)+21.8%   ± 9/2)+9.2%   ± 3/2)...
413.894	0.23	0.30	16.60	34.8%   ± 3/2)+30.7%   ± 5/2)+17.2%   ± 1/2)+13.2%   ± 7/2)...
440.325	0.12	0.51	17.95	55.5%   ± 1/2)+27.5%   ± 3/2)+8.1%   ± 5/2)+4.7%   ± 7/2)...

**Table S22.** Electronic structure of **Dy2** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	7.98×10 <sup>-3</sup>	1.48×10 <sup>-2</sup>	19.83	98.4%   ± 15/2)
152.061	1.51	4.27	15.88	25.1%   ± 13/2)+18.3%   ± 5/2)+17.8%   ± 9/2)+11.5%   ± 1/2)...
186.563	2.59	4.84	8.16	47.4%   ± 13/2)+18.8%   ± 7/2)+17.2%   ± 11/2) + 10.2%   ± 3/2)...
232.725	8.27	5.80	0.63	27.5%   ± 11/2)+24.3%   ± 13/2)+20.9%   ± 9/2)+13.6%   ± 5/2)...
284.017	2.64	3.84	11.77	41.2%   ± 11/2)+28.3%   ± 9/2)+13.5%   ± 7/2)+8.5%   ± 3/2)...
318.948	0.51	0.66	15.92	33.0%   ± 7/2)+31.6%   ± 5/2)+24.0%   ± 9/2)+7.7%   ± 3/2)...
388.706	2.42×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.13	18.74	33.2%   ± 3/2)+27.4%   ± 5/2)+22.5%   ± 1/2)+12.8%   ± 7/2)...
434.592	2.69×10 <sup>-2</sup>	8.43×10 <sup>-2</sup>	19.46	48.4%   ± 1/2)+28.3%   ± 3/2)+12.0%   ± 5/2)+5.8%   ± 7/2)...

**Table S23.** Electronic structure of **Dy3** in **Dy<sub>3</sub>TeCl<sub>4</sub>** calculated with the crystal field parameters obtained from CASSCF-SO at the crystal structure. Each row corresponds to a Kramers doublet.

Energy (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	g1	g2	g3	Wavefunction
0.00	1.11×10 <sup>-2</sup>	2.13×10 <sup>-2</sup>	19.81	99.1%   ± 15/2)
134.983	1.54	4.03	16.21	19.1%   ± 13/2)+18.7%   ± 5/2)+17.4%   ± 9/2)+13.0%   ± 3/2)...
171.416	2.41	4.87	8.54	42.8%   ± 13/2)+18.9%   ± 7/2)+16.1%   ± 11/2) + 10.5%   ± 3/2)...
222.549	8.04	5.86	0.16	33.8%   ± 13/2)+24.5%   ± 11/2)+14.7%   ± 9/2)+13.6%   ± 5/2)...
280.918	2.92	3.49	11.60	43.0%   ± 11/2)+28.7%   ± 9/2)+9.9%   ± 7/2)+9.4%   ± 3/2)...
323.738	0.33	0.47	15.85	34.2%   ± 7/2)+26.4%   ± 9/2)+24.7%   ± 5/2)+7.9%   ± 11/2)...
405.698	5.87×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.11	16.80	35.2%   ± 5/2)+33.0%   ± 3/2)+18.3%   ± 7/2)+8.7%   ± 1/2)...
432.372	2.80×10 <sup>-2</sup>	0.16	18.32	60.7%   ± 1/2)+28.4%   ± 3/2)+5.5%   ± 5/2)...

