Supporting Information

Ionothermal synthesis of two oxalate-bridged lanthanide(III) chains with slow magnetization relaxation by using deep eutectic solvent

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Experimental details

General Remarks: The reagents for the synthesis were commercially available and used as purchased without further purification. The C, H and N microanalyses were carried out with an Elementar Vario-EL CHNS elemental analyzer. The FT-IR spectra were recorded from KBr pellets in the range 4000-400 cm⁻¹ on a Bio-Rad FTS-7 spectrometer. Powder X-ray diffraction measurements have been obtained on Bruker D8 Advance Diffratometer (Cu-K α , $\lambda = 1.54056$ Å) by scanning over the range of 5-50° with a step of 0.12 °/s at 293 K. Simulated powder XRD patterns were calculated with Mercury. Magnetic susceptibility Data was measured by a Quantum Design MPMS-XL7 SQUID. Data were corrected for the diamagnetic contribution calculated from Pascal constants.

Synthesis of 1: A mixture of $DyCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (0.263 g, 0.7 mmol), Choline Chloride (0.267 g, 2 mmol) and Oxalic acid dehydrate (0.265g, 2 mmol) were sealed in a 20 mL Teflon-lined autoclave and heated at 120 °C for 3 days. Colorless transparent needle-shaped crystals were washed by methanol, dried in air and recovered with 57% (based on Dy). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3448(br, vs), 3390(br), 3328(br), 3170(br, vs), 2246(w), 2165(w), 2069(w), 1643(vs), 1465, 1390(vs), 1311(vs), 1267(s), 1164(m), 1116(m), 1085(m), 1039(w), 966(w), 921, 788(s), 671(s), 632(m), 553(m), 512(w), 460(w). Elemental analyses (calc: found) for **1**: C 16.89 : 16.95, H 4.46 : 4.34, N 2.81 : 2.78.

Synthesis of 2: The procedure was the same as that employed for **1**, except that $ErCl_3 \cdot 6H_2O$ (0.267 g, 0.7 mmol) was employed as lanthanide salts. The pink needle-shaped crystals were obtained (yield 51 % based on Er). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹): 3450(br, vs), 3386(br), 3318(br), 3167(br, vs), 2290, 2188, 2081, 1910, 1625(vs), 1469, 1390(vs), 1317(vs), 1270(s), 1159(m), 1118(m), 1089(m), 1039(w), 971(w), 946, 916, 788(s), 671(s), 619(m), 551(m), 512(w), 468(w). Elemental analyses (calc: found) for **2**: C 16.73 : 16.73, H 4.41 : 4.31, N 2.79 : 2.49.



Fig. S1 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of compounds 1 (*left*) and 2 (*right*).

Crystal data for **1**: C₇H₂₂DyNO₉Cl₂, M = 497.66, Monoclinic, space group $P2_1/n$, a = 9.118(2), b = 15.223(4), c = 12.154(3) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 109.432(5)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 1590.9(7) Å³, T = 150(2) K, Z = 4, $\rho_c = 2.078$ g cm⁻³, F(000) = 972, 3395 reflections collected, 2560 reflections used ($R_{int} = 0.0423$), $R_1 = 0.0585$ ($I > 2\sigma(I)$), $wR_2 = 0.1117$ (all data). For **2**: C₇H₂₂ErNO₉Cl₂, M = 502.42, Monoclinic, space group $P2_1/n$, a = 9.0957(2), b = 15.1667(3), c = 12.0825(3) Å, $a = 90^{\circ}$, $\beta = 109.627(2)^{\circ}$, $\gamma = 90^{\circ}$, V = 1569.96(6) Å³, T = 150(2) K, Z = 4, $\rho_c = 2.126$ g cm⁻³, F(000) = 980, 2355 reflections collected, 2141 reflections used($R_{int} = 0.0284$), $R_1 = 0.0396$ ($I > 2\sigma(I)$), $wR_2 = 0.0769$ (all data). Diffraction data for **1** were recorded on a Rigaku R-AXIS SPIDER Image Plate diffractometer with graphite-monochromated Mo-K α ($\lambda = 0.71073$ Å) radiation at 150(2) K. Diffraction data for **2** were carried out with the Oxford-Diffraction Xcalibur CCD diffractometer using graphite-monochromated Cu-K α radiation ($\lambda = 1.54178$ Å) at 150(2) K.



Fig. S2 Ball and stick plots from viewpoints along the a axis (a) and the b axis (b). Hydrogen bonds are represented by pink dashed line.



Fig. S3 Field-dependence of the magnetization at the indicated temperatures for 1 (left) and 2 (right).



Fig. S4 Temperature-dependence of in-phase (χ_M') and out-of-phase (χ_M'') ac susceptibility signals ($H_{dc} = 0$ Oe, $H_{ac} = 5$ Oe) at the indicated frequencies for **1** (left) and **2** (right).



Fig. S5 *Left*: Plot of ac susceptibility *vs* frequency (*v*) in the applied fields of 200-3000 Oe at 4 K for 1; *Right*: dc field dependence of the relaxation time at 4 K.



Fig. S6 *Left*: Plot of ac susceptibility *vs* frequency (*v*) in the applied fields of 200-3000 Oe at 3 K for **2**; *Right*: dc field dependence of the relaxation time at 3 K.



Fig. S7 Frequency-dependence of ac susceptibility signals ($H_{dc} = 1200$ Oe, $H_{ac} = 5$ Oe) in the temperature range of 2.8-4.8 K for **1** (right) and 1.8-4.0 K for **2** (left).