

# Supporting Information

## Pentacosaple- $\text{CO}_3^{2-}$ bridged hexacontaoctanuclear lanthanide-alkali barrels derived from octacosanuclear discs<sup>†</sup>

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## ***S1 Materials and general procedures***

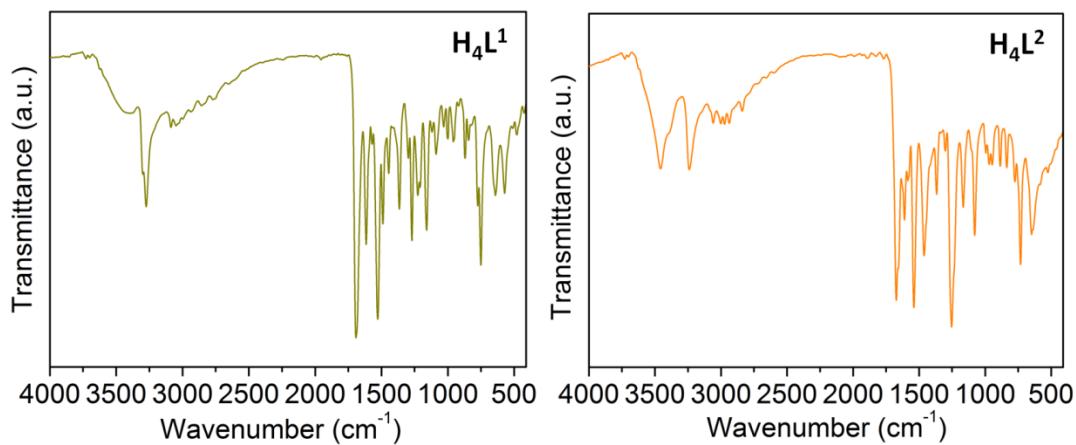
All chemical reagents were purchased from commercial vendors and used without additional purification. The elemental analysis for C, H, and N were carried out in a PE<sub>240</sub>C elemental analyzer. The infrared spectra were recorded as KBr pellets on a Bruker Tensor 27 spectrometer in the range of 400-4000 cm<sup>-1</sup>. Thermal analyses were performed on a METTLER TOLEDO TGA/DSC 1 instrument in the range of 30-800 °C with Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> pan at a heating rate of 5 °C/min. Powder X-ray diffraction data were collected using a Bruker D8 ADVANCE PXRD equipped with a CuK $\alpha$  X-ray source over the 2θ range of 5 to 50° at room temperature. The magnetic susceptibility data were obtained on a Quantum Design MPMS3 SQUID system. The direct current measurements were obtained with an external magnetic field of 1.0 kOe in the temperature range 1.8-300 K, and the alternating-current measurements were executed in a 2.0 Oe ac oscillating field at different frequencies from 0.1 to 1000 Hz. The diamagnetic contribution of the sample itself was estimated from Pascal's constant.<sup>S1</sup>

## ***S2 X-ray crystallography***

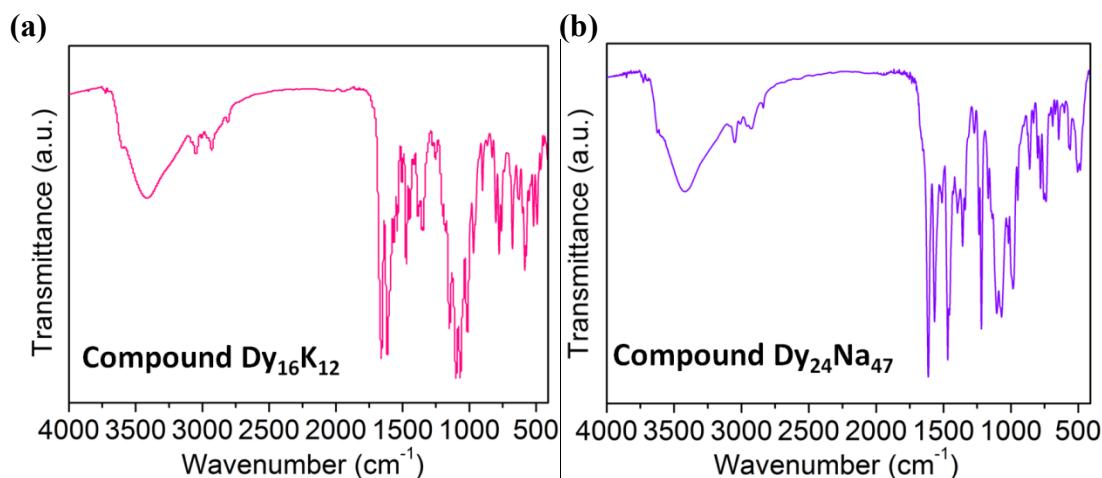
Diffraction intensity data of **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>** and **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>** were recorded on a ROD, XtaLAB Synergy, Dualflex, HyPix diffractometer using Cu K $\alpha$  ( $\lambda = 1.54184 \text{ \AA}$ ) at 100(1) K. Their structures were resolved and refined by using the SHELX-2018 program.<sup>S2</sup> For **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>** and **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>**, all non-H atoms were refined with anisotropic displacement parameters. The H atoms in the whole structure were geometrically fixed. Crystallographic data are listed in Table 1. The bond lengths, bond angles and H bonds are summarized in Table S1-S4. CCDC 2456379 (**Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>**) and CCDC 2456380 (**Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>**) contain the supplementary crystallographic data for this paper. These data can be obtained free of charge from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre via [www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data\\_request/cif](http://www.ccdc.cam.ac.uk/data_request/cif).

## ***S3 Structure information***

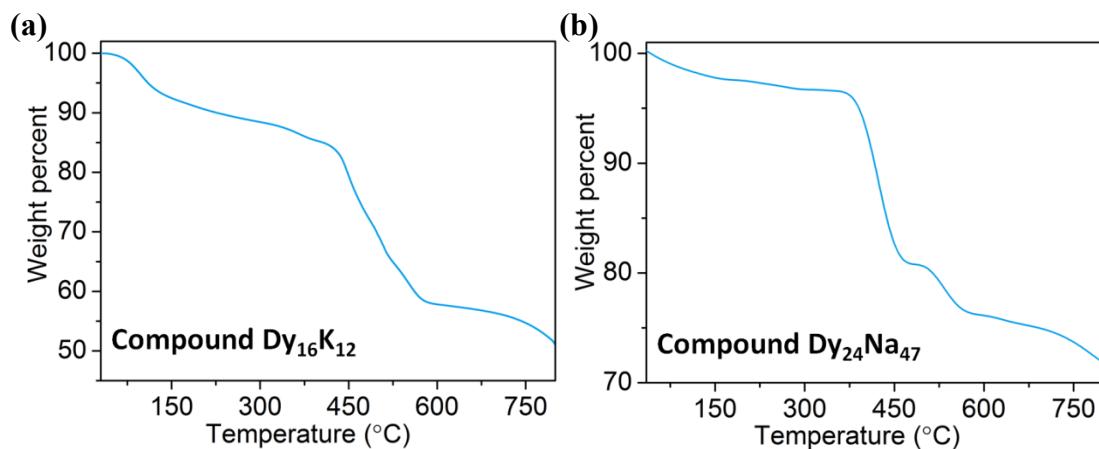
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**Figure S1.** Infrared spectra of  $\mathbf{H}_4\mathbf{L}^1$  (a) and  $\mathbf{H}_4\mathbf{L}^2$  (b).

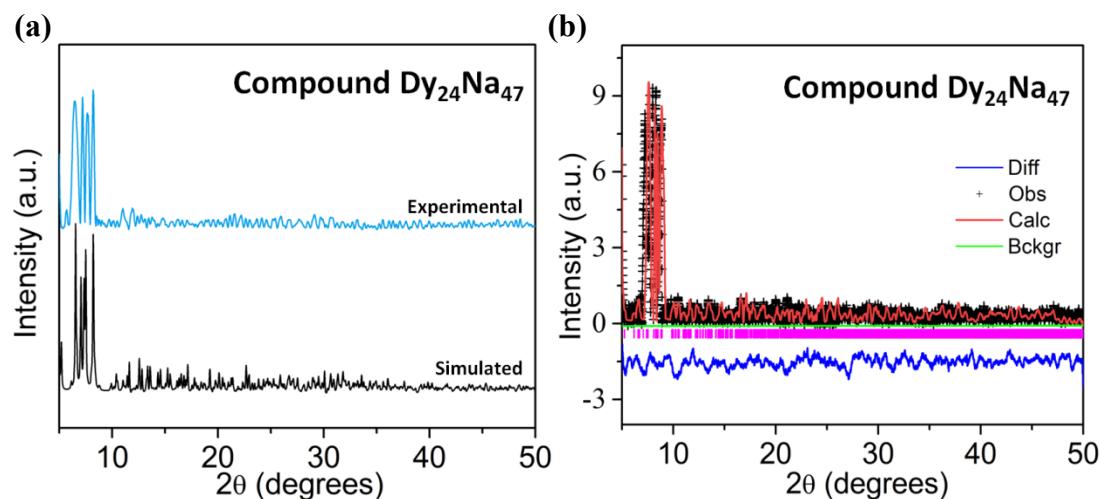
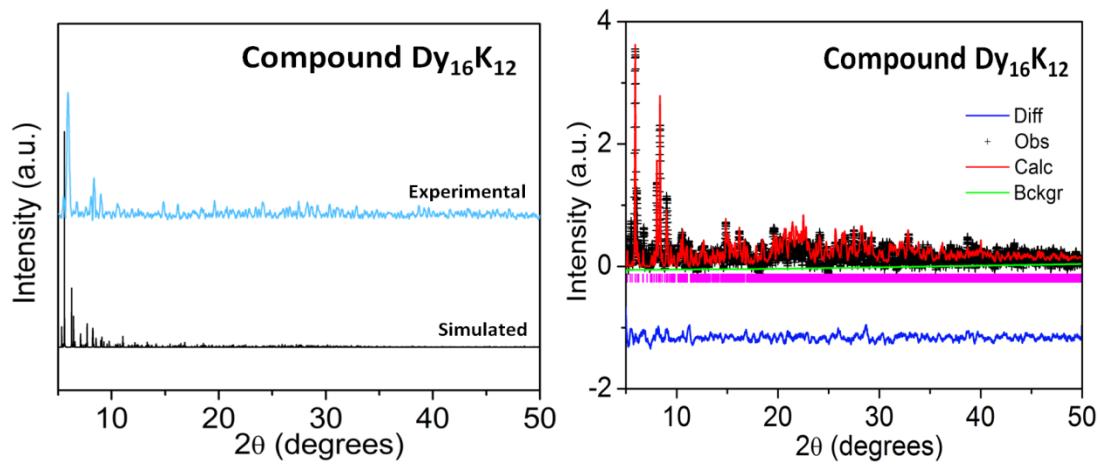


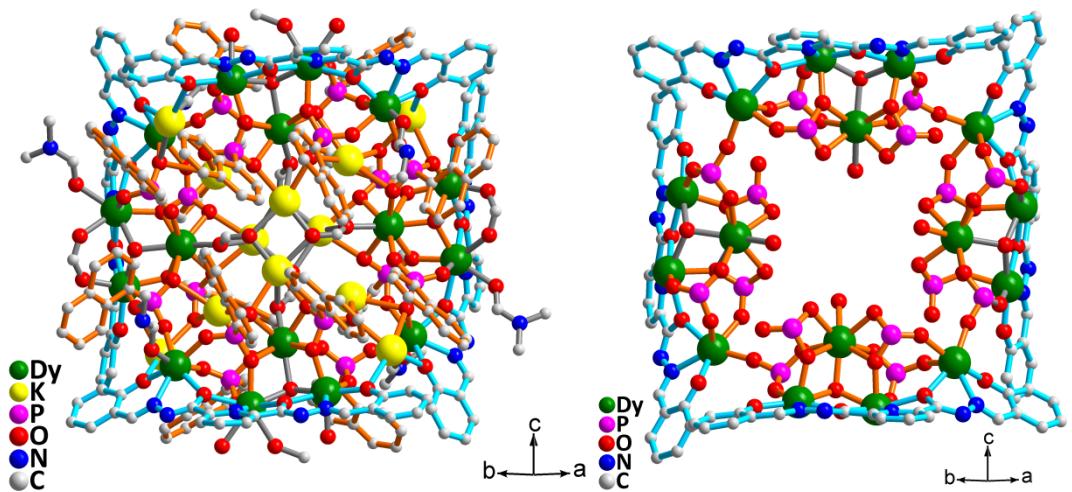
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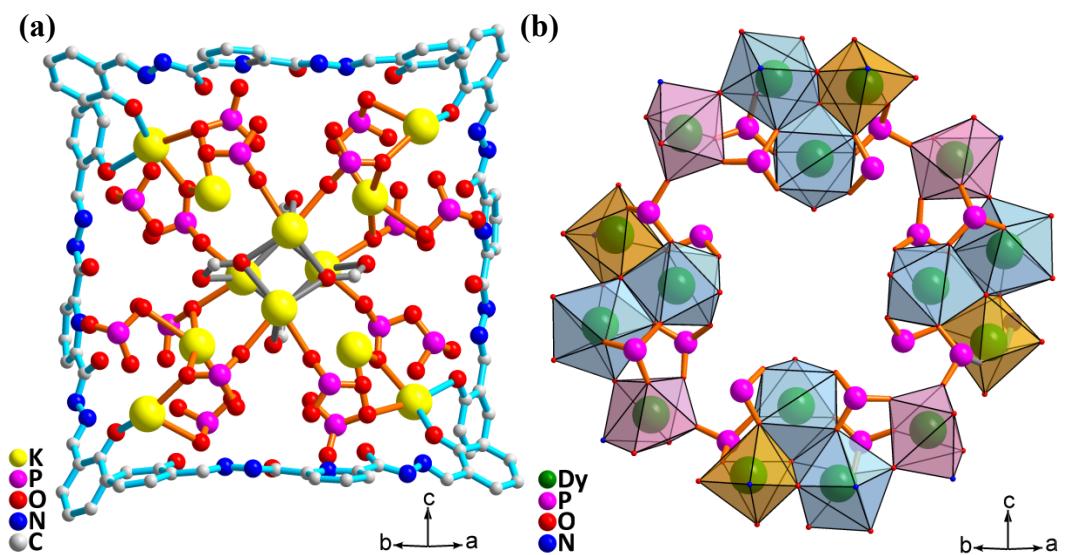
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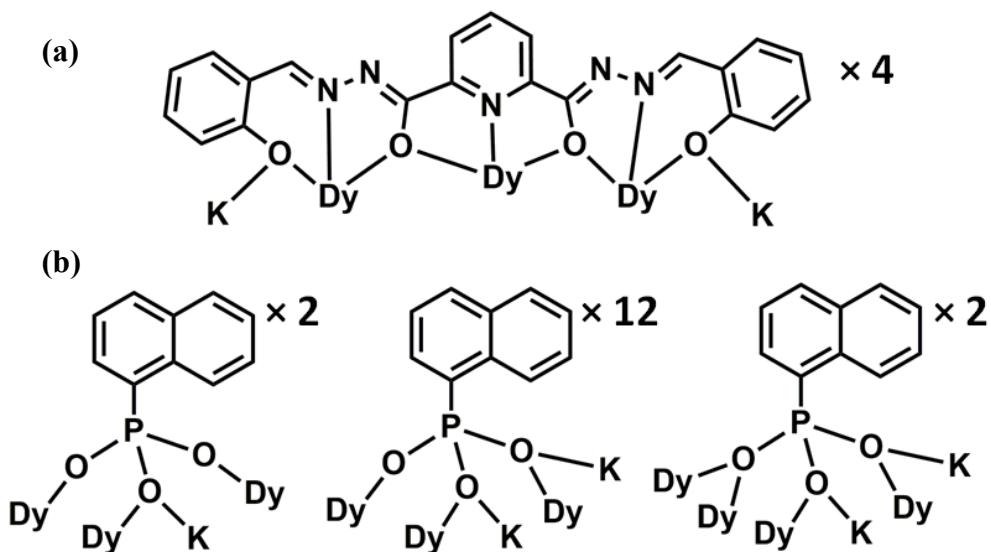




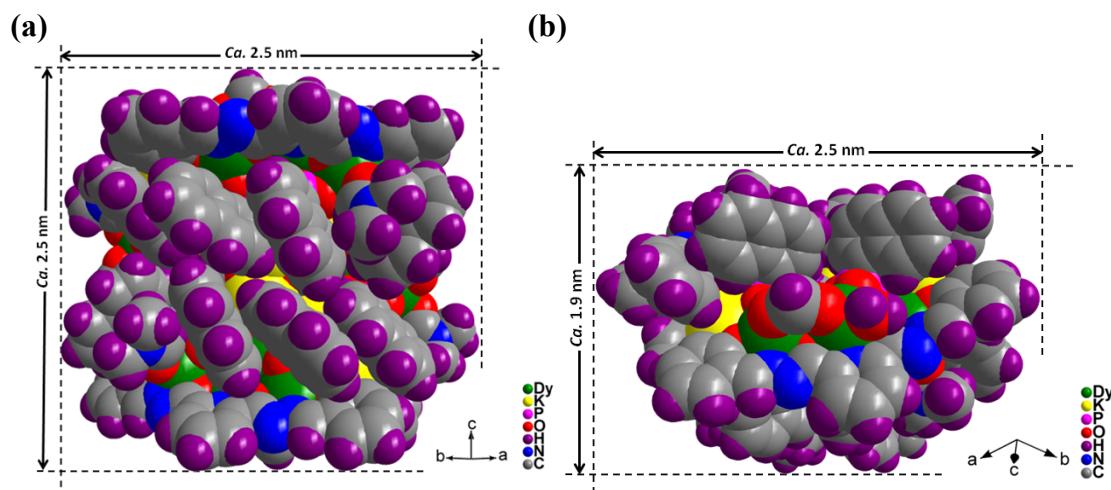
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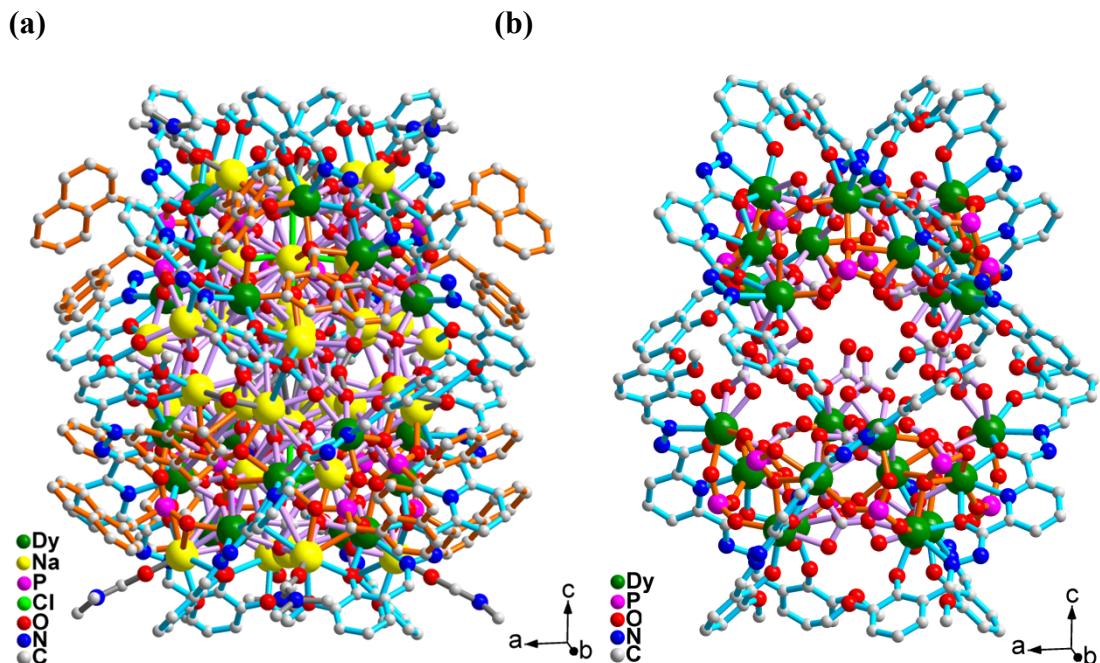
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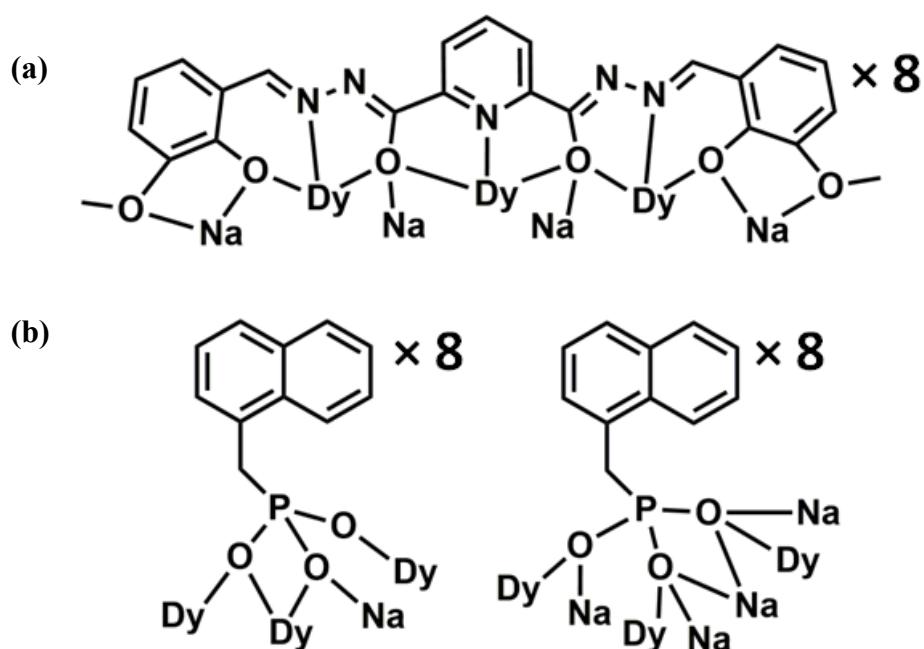
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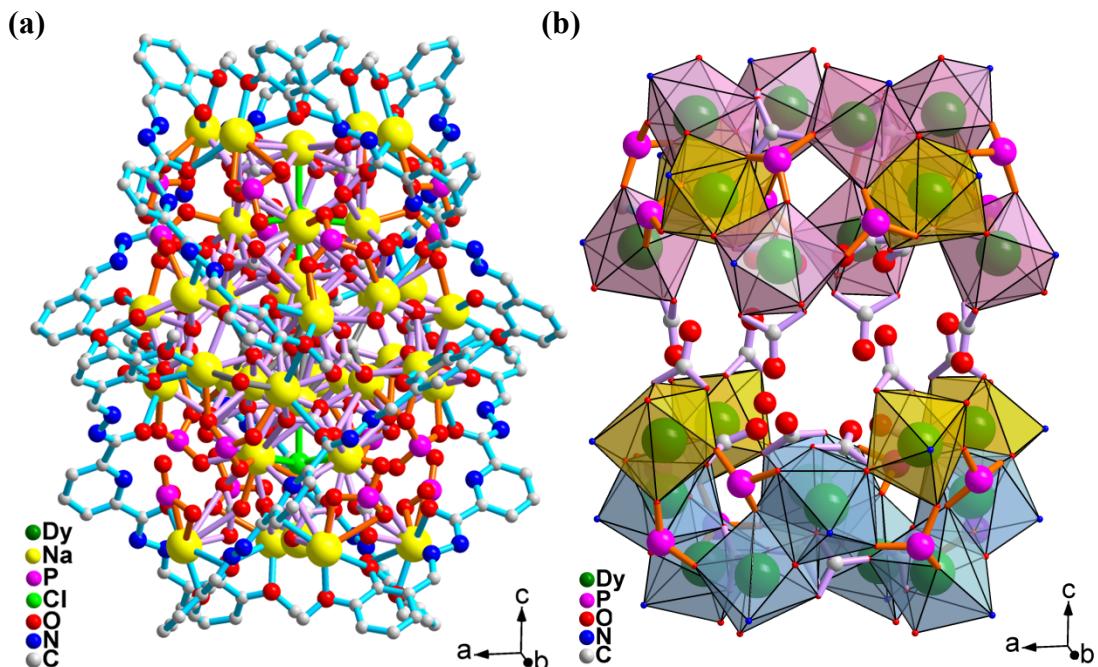
**Figure S9.** Space-filling representation of compound  $\mathbf{Dy}_{16}\mathbf{K}_{12}$  (a and b).



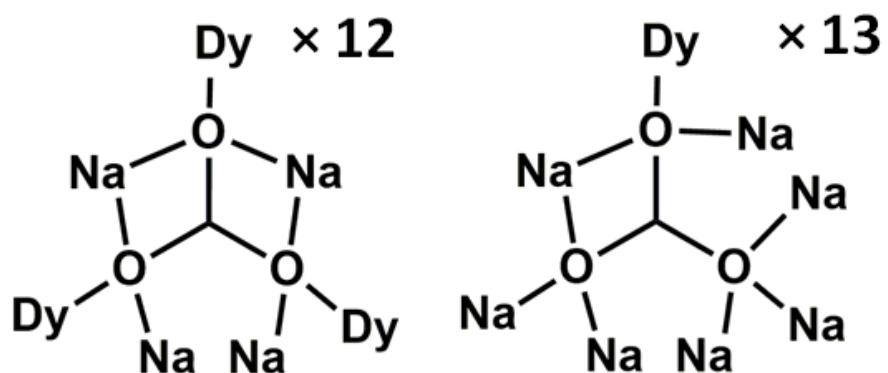
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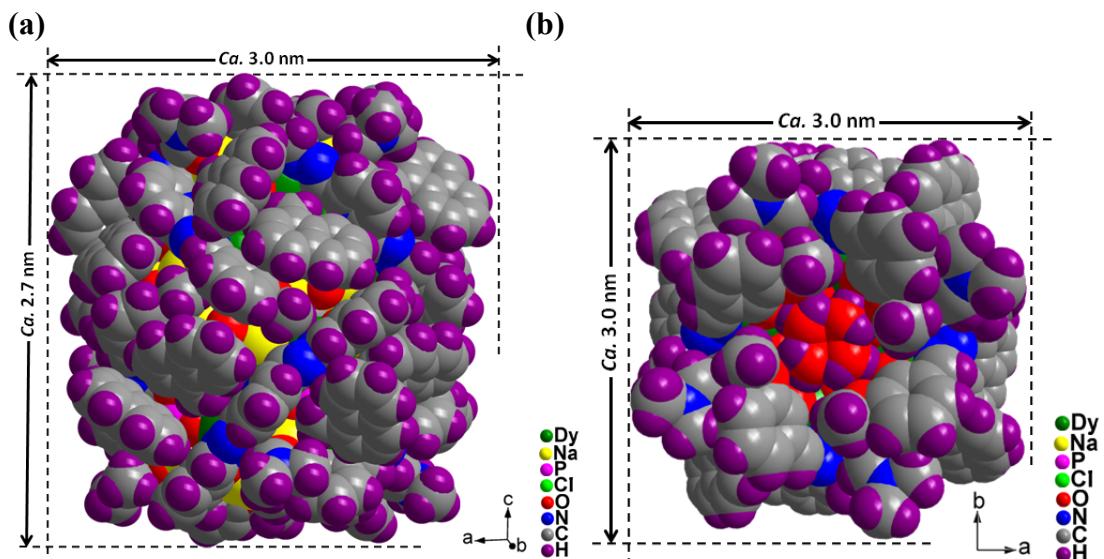
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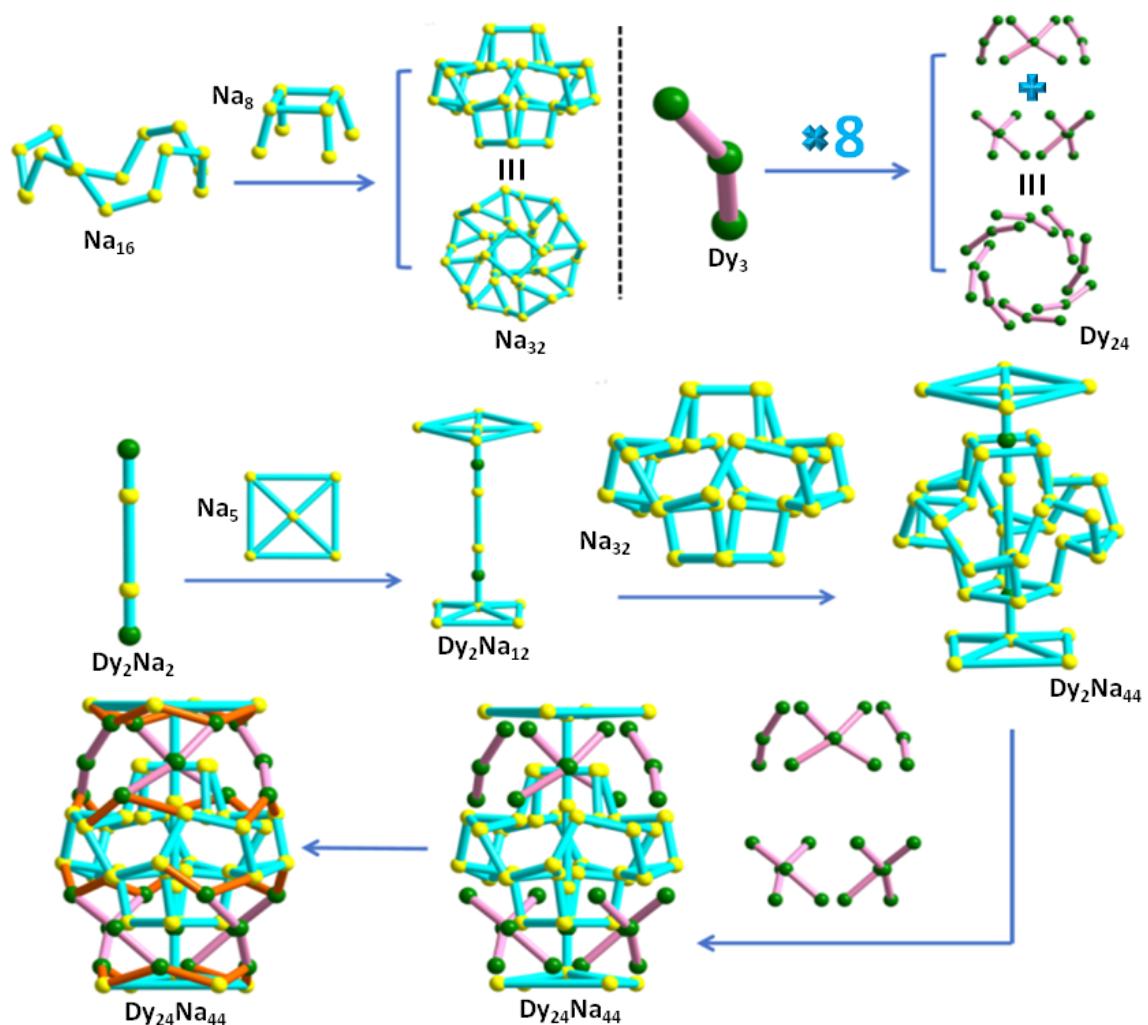
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**Figure S13.** The coordination modes of the carbonate anions.



**Figure S14.** Space-filling representation of compound  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{44}$  (a and b).



**Figure S15.** Dissect the inorganic core motif of compound  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{44}$  into three concentric barrel-shaped shells.

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths ( $\text{\AA}$ ) and angles ( $^{\circ}$ ) for compound  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$ .

Compound $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$					
Dy1-N1	2.587	Dy1-O1	2.248(2)	Dy1-O10	2.249
Dy1-O2	2.419(9)	Dy1-O3	2.353	Dy1-O4	2.292(1)
Dy1-O44a	2.283(3)	Dy2-N3	2.473(5)	Dy2-O2	2.389(8)
Dy2-O3	2.360(4)	Dy2-O5	2.361(2)	Dy2-O6	2.458(2)
Dy2-O7	2.455(6)	Dy2-O8	2.248(5)	Dy2-O9	2.314(7)
Dy3-N5	2.522(1)	Dy3-O11	2.276(9)	Dy3-O15	2.287(7)
Dy3-O16	2.234	Dy3-O17	2.338(1)	Dy3-O18	2.240(1)
Dy3-O7	2.383(4)	Dy4-O24	2.253(5)	Dy4-O25	2.25
Dy4-O26	2.315(3)	Dy4-O27	2.411(9)	Dy4-O29	2.341(9)
Dy4-O30	2.261(1)	Dy4-N7	2.529	Dy5-O20	2.374(5)
Dy5-O21	2.288	Dy5-O22	2.385(7)	Dy5-O27	2.355(4)
Dy5-O30	2.560(8)	Dy5-O33	2.410(6)	Dy5-O34	2.323(4)
Dy5-O35	2.433(3)	Dy6-N9	2.477	Dy6-O27	2.347(9)
Dy6-O28	2.418(9)	Dy6-O29	2.338(7)	Dy6-O35	2.336(7)
Dy6-O36	2.236(2)	Dy6-O37	2.433(6)	Dy6-O38	2.456(3)
Dy7-N12	2.507	Dy7-O38	2.401(2)	Dy7-O39	2.280(3)
Dy7-O40	2.263(6)	Dy7-O43	2.282(7)	Dy7-O45	2.250(6)
Dy7-O46	2.305	Dy8-O2a	2.394	Dy8-O41	2.378(3)
Dy8-O42	2.262(4)	Dy8-O9a	2.429(9)	Dy8-O10a	2.531(8)
Dy8-O12a	2.394(7)	Dy8-O14a	2.367(1)	Dy8-O31a	2.319(3)
Dy1-O2-Dy2	109.54	Dy1-O2-Dy8a	105.69	Dy1-O3-Dy2	112.92
Dy1-O10-Dy8a	106.59	Dy1a-O44-K6	98.33	Dy2-O9-Dy8a	107.56
Dy2-O7-Dy3	128.43	Dy2-O2-Dy8a	106.31	Dy3-O15-K1	92.59
Dy3-O15-K2	97.63	Dy3-O16-K1	96.00	Dy3-O18-K1	91.39
Dy3-O18-K2	99.18	Dy4-O24-K1	103.29	Dy4-O27-Dy5	108.78
Dy4-O27-Dy6	108.15	Dy4-O29-Dy6	110.88	Dy4-O30-Dy5	106.83
Dy4-O25-K1	99.74	Dy5-O27-Dy6	109.27	Dy5-O33-K4	95.91
Dy5-O33-K5	100.03	Dy5-O34-K5	103.66	Dy5-O35-Dy6	107.03
Dy6-O38-Dy7	132.18	Dy7-O39-K5	93.41	Dy7-O39-P6	144.85
Dy7-O40-K5	96.50	Dy7-O40-K6	92.70	Dy7-O43-K5	94.70
Dy7-O43-K6	88.82	Dy7-O45-K6	95.10	Dy8-O41-K2a	92.69
Dy8-O41-K3a	93.21	Dy8-O42-K5	106.06	Dy8a-O12-K2	96.30
Dy8a-O12-K3	91.33	Dy8a-O14-K3	99.01	Dy8a-O14-K5a	104.72

Symmetry codes: a: x, y, 1/2-z.

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for compound **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>**.

Compound Dy <sub>24</sub> Na <sub>44</sub>					
Dy1-N1a	2.535(6)	Dy1-O10a	2.586(5)	Dy1-O11	2.300(5)
Dy1-O13	2.241(5)	Dy1-O2a	2.244(6)	Dy1-O4a	2.458(5)
Dy1-O8a	2.382(5)	Dy1-O9a	2.311(5)	Dy2-N4	2.484(6)
Dy2-O10	2.327(5)	Dy2-O14	2.278(5)	Dy2-O16	2.346(5)
Dy2-O18	2.363(5)	Dy2-O5a	2.469(5)	Dy2-O6a	2.481(5)
Dy2-O8	2.608(5)	Dy2-O9	2.391(5)	Dy3-N6	2.546(5)
Dy3-O15	2.253(5)	Dy3-O17a	2.376(5)	Dy3-O18	2.470(5)
Dy3-O22	2.474(5)	Dy3-O23	2.332(5)	Dy3-O24	2.256(5)
Dy3-O6a	2.405(5)	Dy4-O19	2.468(5)	Dy4-O31	2.352(5)
Dy4-O41	2.246(5)	Dy4-N7c	2.538(6)	Dy4-O27c	2.284(5)
Dy4-O34c	2.385(4)	Dy4-O35c	2.448(5)	Dy4-O36a	2.391(4)
Dy5-N9c	2.512(5)	Dy5-O33c	2.458(5)	Dy5-O34c	2.483(4)
Dy5-O35c	2.384(5)	Dy5-O37	2.369(5)	Dy5-O38	2.628(4)
Dy5-O39	2.335(5)	Dy5-O40	2.246(5)	Dy5-O44c	2.360(5)
Dy6-N11	2.565(6)	Dy6-O38a	2.400(5)	Dy6-O39a	2.592(4)
Dy6-O42	2.318(5)	Dy6-O43	2.235(5)	Dy6-O44	2.322(5)
Dy6-O45	2.238(5)	Dy6-O47a	2.439(5)	Dy1c-O2-Na1c	96.5(2)
Dy1c-O4-Na1	112.7(2)	Dy1c-O8-Dy2	96.77(16)	Dy1c-O8-Na3	88.57(17)
Dy1c-O9-Dy2	105.1(2)	Dy1c-O10-Na3	86.56(16)	Dy1c-O10-Dy2	98.78(16)
Dy1-O11-Na3a	89.81(17)	Dy2c-O5-Na3c	89.66(16)	Dy2c-O5-Na4c	154.5(2)
Dy2c-O5-Na6c	85.37(15)	Dy2c-O6-Dy3c	106.70(17)	Dy2c-O6-Na3	115.2(2)
Dy2-O8-Na3	90.90(16)	Dy2-O10-Na3	101.57(19)	Dy2-O14-Na1	116.1(2)
Dy2-O16-Na6	93.98(17)	Dy2-O18-Dy3	108.38(17)	Dy3c-O6-Na3	124.76(19)
Dy3c-O17-Na8	93.54(18)	Dy3-O22-Na6	109.7(2)	Dy3-O22-Na7	152.3(2)
Dy3-O23-Na4a	120.0(2)	Dy3-O23-Na8a	92.47(18)	Dy3-O24-Na8a	94.75(18)
Dy4-O19-Na9c	111.5(2)	Dy4-O19-Na8	154.9(2)	Dy4a-O27-Na7a	93.69(17)
Dy4-O31-Na10	118.1(2)	Dy4-O31-Na7	90.68(16)	Dy4a-O34-Dy5a	106.86(16)
Dy4a-O34-Na12b	128.32(19)	Dy4a-O35-Dy5a	108.03(17)	Dy4c-O36-Na7c	91.83(17)
Dy5a-O33-Na10	149.2(2)	Dy5a-O33-Na9	87.05(15)	Dy5a-O34-Na12b	114.02(19)
Dy5-O37-Na9c	92.62(17)	Dy5-O38-Dy6c	95.91(15)	Dy5-O38-Na12	93.96(16)
Dy5-O39-Dy6c	98.56(15)	Dy5-O39-Na12	103.14(19)	Dy5-O40-Na15	122.6(5)
Dy5-O40-Na13	113.6(3)	Dy5a-O44-Dy6	105.93(18)	Dy6c-O47-Na13	106.1(3)
Dy6c-O47-Na15	120.0(5)	Dy6c-O38-Na12	88.35(16)	Dy6c-O39-Na12	84.75(14)
Dy6-O42-Na12a	88.54(17)	Dy6-O43-Na15	87.3(5)	Dy6-O45-Na15	90.2(4)

Symmetry codes: a: x, 1/2-y, z; b: 1/2-x, 1/2-y, z; c: 1/2-x, y, z.

**Table S3.** Hydrogen bonds for compound **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>**.

Compound Dy <sub>16</sub> K <sub>12</sub>				
D-H···A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H···A) (Å)	d(D···A) (Å)	<(DHA) (°)
C16-H16···O14	0.9500	2.5000	2.9601	110.00
C27-H27a···O9	0.9500	2.4600	2.9328	111.00
C37-H37···O15	0.9500	2.4500	3.0228	119.00
C44-H44···O31	0.9500	2.5400	2.9863	109.00
C64-H64···O21	0.9500	2.4900	2.9298	108.00
C81-H81···O30	0.9500	2.4500	2.9095	110.00
C88-H88···O28	0.9500	2.4000	3.3448	175.00
C94-H94···O35	0.9500	2.4600	2.9142	109.00
C101-H101···O39	0.9500	2.3800	3.0172	124.00
C104-H104···O34	0.9500	2.5300	2.9570	107.00
C109-H109···O28	0.9500	2.5300	3.3308	143.00
C111-H111···O36	0.9500	2.5100	3.1674	127.00
C112-H112···O38	0.9500	2.5500	2.9801	107.00
C128-H128···O42	0.9500	2.4500	2.9029	109.00

Symmetry codes: a: x, y, 1/2-z.

**Table S4.** Hydrogen bonds for compound **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>**.

Compound Dy <sub>24</sub> Na <sub>44</sub>				
D-H···A	d(D-H) (Å)	d(H···A) (Å)	d(D···A) (Å)	<(DHA) (°)
O3-H3a···O11	0.8700	2.3900	2.9011	117.00
O3-H3a···O2	0.8700	1.7400	2.4899	143.00
O3-H3a···O4	0.8700	2.3700	2.7731	109.00
O3-H3b···O1	0.8700	2.3300	2.9083	124.00
O3-H3b···O4	0.8700	1.9300	2.4221	115.00
O21-H21a···O27	0.8600	2.3600	3.1077	145.00
O46-H46a···O47	0.8700	1.6900	2.3618	132.00
O46-H46a···O48	0.8700	2.1600	2.6339	113.00
O46-H46b···O45	0.8700	1.6500	2.3328	140.00
O46-H46b···O47	0.8700	2.4200	2.9868	123.00
C4-H4a···O12	0.9900	2.5200	3.4611	158.00
C37-H37c···N7	0.9800	2.5900	3.2862	129.00
C45-H45···O16	0.9500	2.4900	3.0248	116.00
C79-H79b···O49	0.9900	2.5800	3.4639	148.00
C86-H86···N8	0.9500	2.5700	3.3792	144.00
C90-H90a···O43	0.9900	2.5700	3.3619	137.00

Symmetry codes: a: x, y, 1/2-z; b: 2/3-x, 1/3+y, 2/3-z; c: -1/3+x, 1/3 -y, 2/3-z.

**Table S5.** Dy<sup>III</sup> geometry analysis of **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>** by SHAPE 2.1 software.

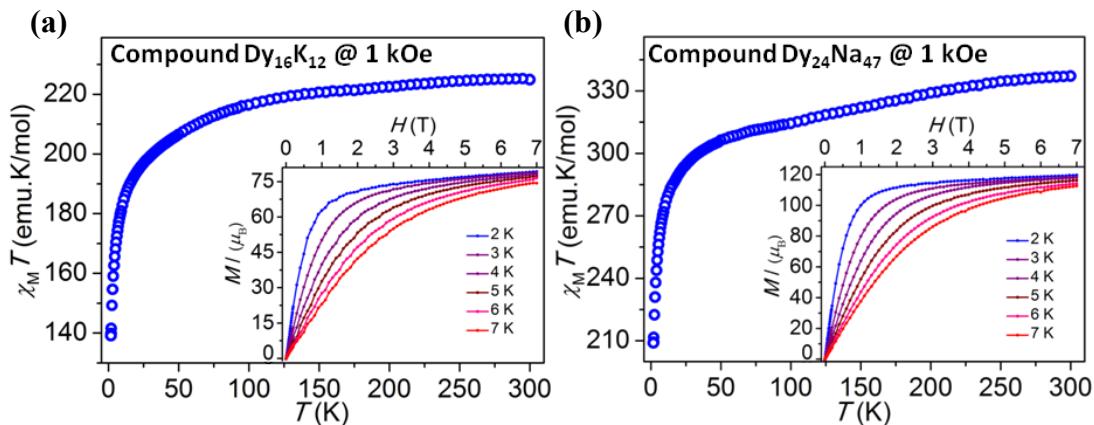
Compound Dy <sub>16</sub> K <sub>12</sub>									
Geometry (CN = 7)	Dy1	Dy5	Dy6	Dy7	Geometry (CN = 8)	Dy2	Dy3	Dy4	Dy8
<b>HP-7</b>	32.324	32.84	32.017	32.066	<b>OP-8</b>	29.988	30.53	30.543	31.567
<b>HPY-7</b>	18.833	20.3374	19.664	20.392	<b>HPY-8</b>	23.972	24.03	24.631	24.491
<b>PBPY-7</b>	5.631	1.973	1.46	4.315	<b>HBPY-8</b>	16.091	16.265	16.575	16.031
<b>COC-7</b>	0.986	4.737	5.71	1.437	<b>CU-8</b>	12.904	13.166	12.167	11.77
<b>CTPR-7</b>	1.553	3.979	4.534	1.885	<b>SAPR-8</b>	2.812	3.348	2.826	3.531
<b>JPBPY-7</b>	8.842	4.705	4.033	7.792	<b>TDD-8</b>	2.044	2.384	1.697	1.117
<b>JETPY-7</b>	17.503	19.065	20.729	18.009	<b>JGBF-8</b>	13.014	12.483	13.398	11.58
					<b>JETBPY-8</b>	27.108	27.591	27.895	27.056
					<b>JBTPR-8</b>	1.921	2.989	2.797	2.735
					<b>BTPR-8</b>	1.206	2.240	2.370	2.304
					<b>JSD-8</b>	3.501	4.521	3.987	2.986
					<b>TT-8</b>	13.651	13.735	12.909	12.508
					<b>ETBPY-8</b>	23.640	23.256	23.090	23.900

**Table S6.** Dy<sup>III</sup> geometry analysis of **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>** by SHAPE 2.1 software.

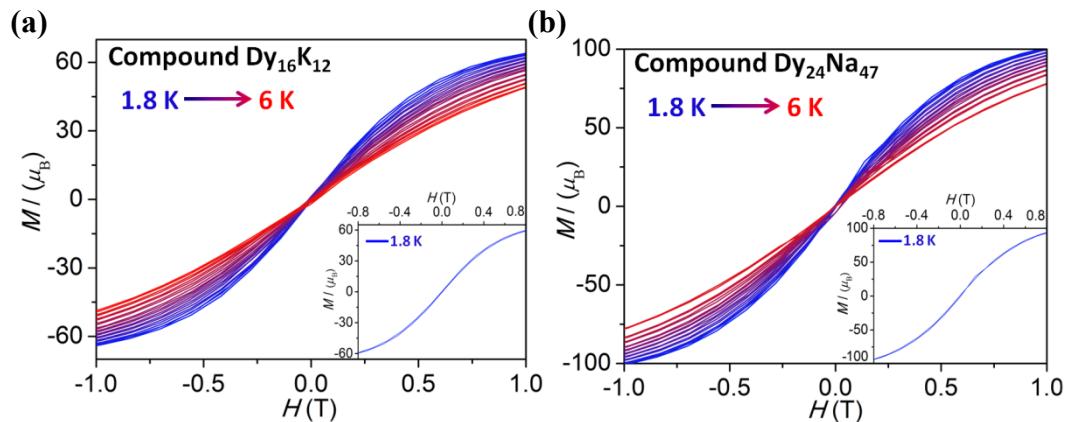
Compound Dy <sub>24</sub> Na <sub>44</sub>							
Geometry (CN = 8)	Dy1	Dy3	Dy4	Dy6	Geometry (CN = 9)	Dy2	Dy5
<b>OP-8</b>	32.173	31.431	31.897	32.574	<b>EP-9</b>	33.348	34.008
<b>HPY-8</b>	22.981	23.355	23.04	23.539	<b>OPY-9</b>	21.419	21.082
<b>HBPY-8</b>	14.245	13.338	13.424	14.334	<b>HBPY-9</b>	15.606	15.435
<b>CU-8</b>	9.783	9.792	9.986	9.639	<b>JTC-9</b>	13.373	13.765
<b>SAPR-8</b>	5.276	2.917	3.094	4.765	<b>JCCU-9</b>	8.778	9.339
<b>TDD-8</b>	2.836	2.764	2.596	2.445	<b>CCU-9</b>	8.086	8.587
<b>JGBF-8</b>	12.291	11.329	11.309	13.265	<b>JCSAPR-9</b>	2.698	2.592
<b>JETBPY-8</b>	25.416	26.757	26.161	25.475	<b>CSAPR-9</b>	1.769	1.605
<b>JBTPR-8</b>	3.696	2.737	2.872	3.360	<b>JTCTPR-9</b>	2.706	3.160
<b>BTPR-8</b>	3.000	1.652	1.834	2.688	<b>TCTPR-9</b>	2.539	2.745
<b>JSD-8</b>	6.017	3.697	3.532	5.492	<b>JTDIC-9</b>	12.463	12.678

<b>TT-8</b>	10.357	10.186	10.347	10.231	<b>HH-9</b>	8.815	9.111
<b>ETBPY-8</b>	20.447	22.074	22.095	20.553	<b>MFF-9</b>	1.608	1.437

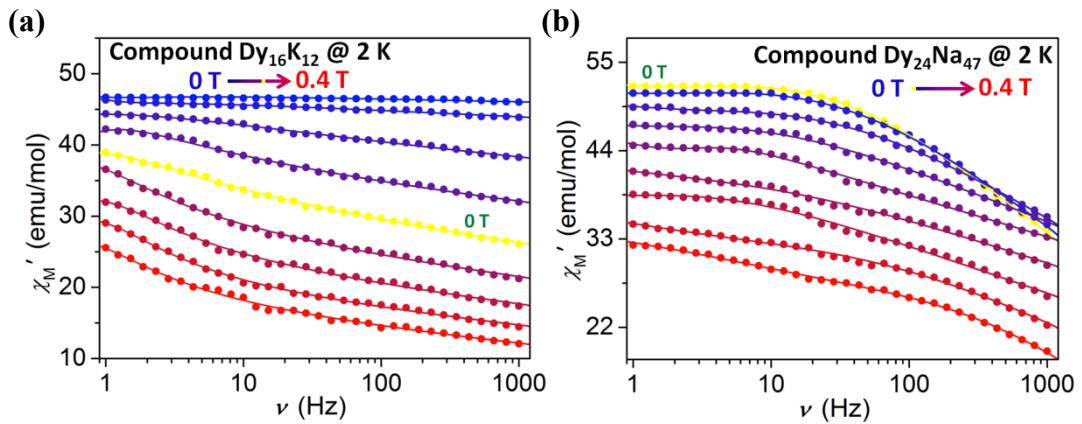
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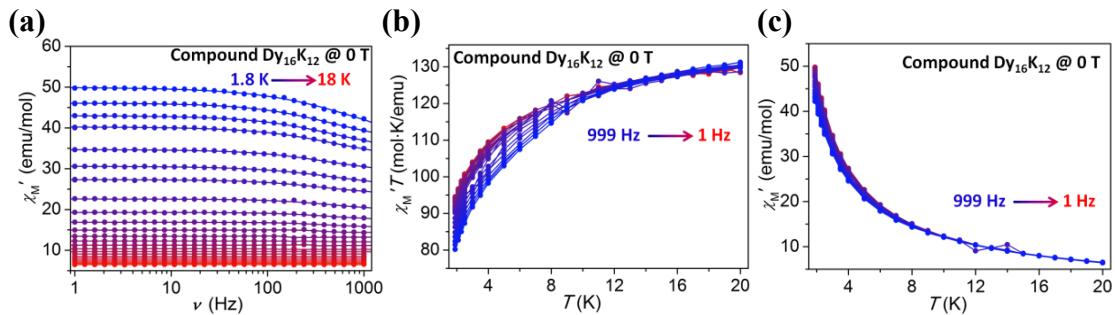
**Figure S16.** Temperature dependent of the  $\chi_M T$  values at 1.0 kOe for compounds  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  (a) and  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{44}$  (b). Inset: the magnetization vs. field plots at different temperature.



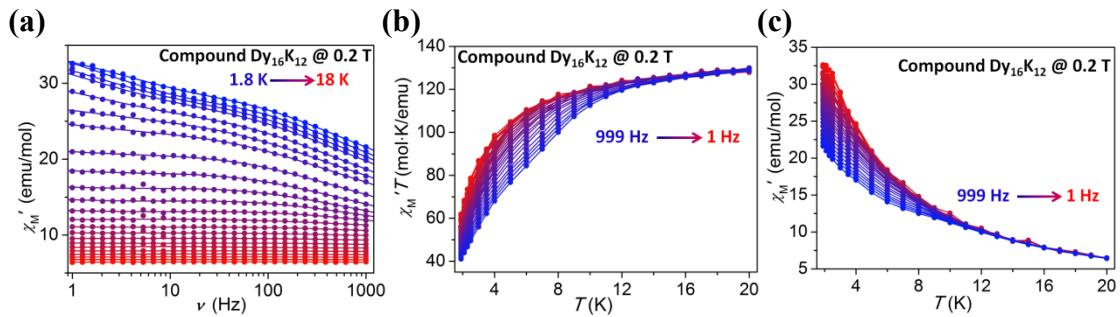
**Figure S17.** Variable-field magnetization data collected for compounds  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  (a) and  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{44}$  (b) at an average field sweep rate of 100 Oe/s. Inset shows a view of the plot at 1.8 K.



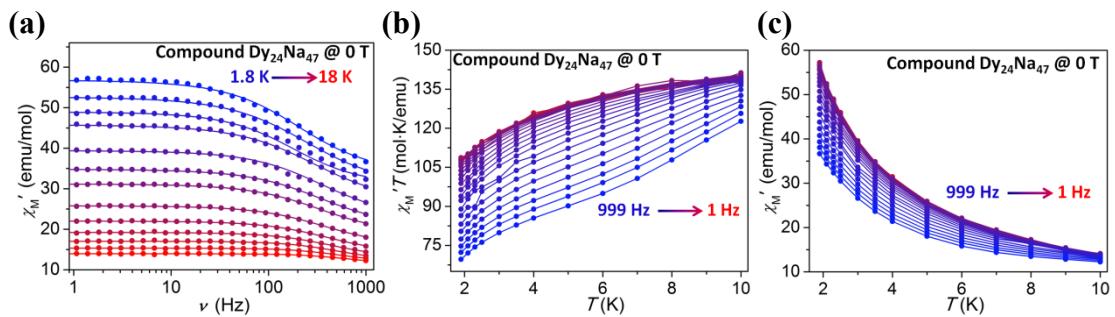
**Figure S18.** Variable-field  $\chi_M'$  magnetic susceptibility versus frequency data for compounds  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  (a) and  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{44}$  (b), collected at fields ranging from 0 to 0.4 T at 2.0 K.



**Figure S19.** Variable-temperature  $\chi_M'$  magnetic susceptibility versus frequency data for compound  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  under zero applied dc field, collected at temperatures ranging from 1.8 to 18 K (a). Variable-frequency  $\chi_M'T$  (b) and  $\chi_M'$  (c) magnetic susceptibility versus temperature data under zero applied dc field, collected at frequencies from 1 to 999 Hz.



**Figure S20.** Variable-temperature  $\chi_M'$  magnetic susceptibility versus frequency data for compound  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  under the optimal 0.2 T dc field, collected at temperatures ranging from 1.8 to 18 K (a). Variable-frequency  $\chi_M' T$  (b) and  $\chi_M'$  (c) magnetic susceptibility versus temperature data under the optimal 0.2 T dc field, collected at frequencies from 1 to 999 Hz.



**Figure S21.** Variable-temperature  $\chi_M'$  magnetic susceptibility versus frequency data for compound  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{47}$  under zero applied dc field, collected at temperatures ranging from 1.8 to 18 K (a). Variable-frequency  $\chi_M' T$  (b) and  $\chi_M'$  (c) magnetic susceptibility versus temperature data under zero applied dc field, collected at frequencies from 1 to 999 Hz.

**Table S7.** Parameters used to fit temperature-dependent relaxation times for  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  under zero applied dc field.

Faster relaxation				
Magnetic relaxation pathway	$\tau_{\text{tunnel}}$ (s)	$C$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-n}$ )	$n$	$A$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-n}$ )
Direct process	--	--	--	$6.87(2) \times 10^{-3}$
Raman process	--	$7.90(1) \times 10^{-2}$	4.59(5)	--
QTM process	$3.68(6) \times 10^{-4}$	--	--	--
Direct, Raman and QTM processes	$6.32(2) \times 10^{-4}$	$8.60(5) \times 10^{-2}$	7.22(4)	$5.49(6) \times 10^{-3}$

**Table S8.** Parameters used to fit temperature-dependent relaxation times for  $\text{Dy}_{16}\text{K}_{12}$  under the optimal 0.2 T dc field.

Slower relaxation						
Magnetic relaxation pathway	$\tau_{\text{tunnel}}$ (s)	$C$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-n}$ )	$n$	$A$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-n}$ )	$\tau_0$ (s)	$U_{\text{eff}}$ (K)
Orbach process	--	--	--	--	$5.29(1) \times 10^{-7}$	38.62(5)
Raman process	--	$2.27(8) \times 10^{-2}$	6.26(1)	--	--	--
Direct process	--	--	--	$4.15(2) \times 10^{-3}$	--	--
QTM process	$3.37(5) \times 10^{-4}$	--	--	--	--	--
Orbach, Raman, Direct and QTM processes	$7.86(4) \times 10^{-4}$	$4.58(4) \times 10^{-2}$	6.91(4)	$9.82(1) \times 10^{-3}$	$1.65(4) \times 10^{-7}$	23.39(6)

Faster relaxation						
Magnetic relaxation pathway	$\tau_{\text{tunnel}}$ (s)					
QTM process	$1.03(5) \times 10^{-4}$					

**Table S9.** Parameters used to fit temperature-dependent relaxation times for  $\text{Dy}_{24}\text{Na}_{44}$  under zero applied dc field.

Slower relaxation						
Magnetic relaxation pathway	$\tau_{\text{tunnel}}$ (s)	$C$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-n}$ )	$n$	$A$ ( $\text{s}^{-1}\text{K}^{-n}$ )	$\tau_0$ (s)	$U_{\text{eff}}$ (K)
Raman process	--	$6.71(3) \times 10^{-2}$	7.66(2)	--	--	--
Direct process	c	--	--	$4.56(6) \times 10^{-3}$	--	--
QTM process	$5.92(8) \times 10^{-4}$	--	--	--	--	--

Orbach, Raman, Direct and QTM processes	$8.91(2) \times 10^{-4}$	$4.05(8) \times 10^{-2}$	$6.24(6)$	$8.49(5) \times 10^{-3}$	--	--
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**Table S10.** Magnetization relaxation fitting parameters from least-squares fitting of  $\chi(\omega)$  data for compound **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>** under the different applied dc field.

<b>H (Oe)</b>	<b>SR</b>			<b>FR</b>			<b><math>\tau_2</math> / s</b>
	<b><math>\chi_{s, \text{tot}}</math></b>	<b><math>\Delta\chi_1</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha_1</math></b>	<b><math>\tau_1</math> / s</b>	<b><math>\Delta\chi_2</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha_2</math></b>	
500	1.059(3)	9.398(2)	0.382(5)	9.473(5)E-4	59.162(1)	0.534(8)	0.010(5)
1000	2.443(3)	7.470(3)	0.320(2)	5.226(1)E-3	54.402(1)	0.487(7)	0.014(1)
1500	2.858(7)	7.238(7)	0.215(1)	9.475(9)E-3	50.260(5)	0.389(1)	0.019(9)
2000	3.656(1)	3.127(6)	0.209(9)	1.625(4)E-2	45.781(2)	0.294(4)	0.027(5)
2500	4.156(9)	2.906(8)	0.208(1)	8.421(2)E-3	40.722(4)	0.282(7)	0.032(3)
3000	5.459(4)	2.485(3)	0.180(7)	9.062(9)E-4	35.403(9)	0.271(1)	0.045(4)
3500	5.886(4)	2.396(7)	0.121(7)	1.184(6)E-4	26.095(2)	0.257(8)	0.056(3)
4000	6.307(1)	1.524(2)	0.105(8)	1.018(9)E-5	10.572(2)	0.227(6)	0.078(1)

**Table S11.** Magnetization relaxation fitting parameters from least-squares fitting of  $\chi(\omega)$  data for compound **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>** under the different applied dc field.

<b>H (Oe)</b>	<b><math>\chi_T</math></b>	<b><math>\chi_s</math></b>	<b><math>\alpha</math></b>	<b><math>\tau</math> / s</b>
500	97.431(5)	-23.018(7)	0.367(7)	6.832(9)E-4
1000	94.229(4)	-20.939(8)	0.350(5)	5.063(8)E-4
1500	90.834(9)	-18.302(7)	0.317(9)	2.965(1)E-4
2000	85.546(6)	-16.765(9)	0.280(1)	9.813(5)E-5
2500	81.528(1)	-14.585(1)	0.251(7)	4.695(7)E-5
3000	76.970(8)	-11.073(9)	0.235(7)	9.949(5)E-6
3500	67.570(7)	-9.793(3)	0.221(4)	6.778(6)E-6
4000	59.627(3)	-6.111(5)	0.205(3)	2.569(6)E-6

**Table S12.** Relaxation fitting parameters from least-squares fitting of  $\chi(\omega)$  data for compound **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>** under zero applied dc field.

T (K)	$\chi_r$	$\chi_s$	$\alpha$	$\tau / \text{s}$
1.8	25.570(7)	-10.570(7)	0.361(4)	1.821(1)E-4
2.0	23.806(2)	-8.806(2)	0.360(5)	1.654(9)E-4
2.2	21.927(7)	-6.927(7)	0.359(1)	1.499(2)E-4
2.4	20.583(4)	-5.583(5)	0.355(6)	1.369(9)E-4
2.6	17.143(4)	-2.143(4)	0.342(6)	1.245(6)E-4
2.8	15.187(9)	-0.188(1)	0.336(2)	1.170(4)E-4
3.0	13.704(1)	1.295(9)	0.320(7)	1.060(4)E-4
4.0	11.922(3)	3.077(7)	0.297(4)	9.506(5)E-5
5.0	10.707(2)	4.292(8)	0.294(7)	8.566(3)E-5
6.0	10.025(8)	4.974(3)	0.286(1)	7.691(1)E-5
7.0	9.772(4)	5.227(6)	0.271(9)	6.708(2)E-5
8.0	9.571(4)	5.428(6)	0.260(9)	6.088(1)E-5
9.0	8.847(2)	6.152(8)	0.252(4)	5.191(9)E-5
10.0	8.530(8)	6.469(2)	0.249(2)	4.485(5)E-5
11.0	8.037(1)	6.962(9)	0.235(4)	4.064(7)E-5
12.0	7.820(1)	7.080(1)	0.231(2)	3.876(5)E-5
13.0	7.823(1)	7.177(1)	0.219(5)	3.668(1)E-5
14.0	7.633(2)	7.366(8)	0.193(9)	3.394(4)E-5
15.0	7.624(1)	7.976(1)	0.162(1)	3.273(8)E-5
16.0	7.423(1)	8.576(8)	0.150(5)	3.157(9)E-5
17.0	7.231(5)	8.968(5)	0.146(9)	3.075(8)E-5
18.0	7.125(9)	9.476(1)	0.141(6)	2.981(5)E-5

**Table S13.** The parameters obtained by fitting the Cole-Cole data of compound **Dy<sub>16</sub>K<sub>12</sub>** under the optimal 0.2 T dc field.

<b>T (K)</b>	$\chi_{s, \text{tot}}$	<b>SR</b>		<b>FR</b>			
		$\Delta\chi_1$	$\alpha_1$	$\tau_1 / \text{s}$	$\Delta\chi_2$	$\alpha_2$	$\tau_2 / \text{s}$
1.8	0.318(8)	15.165(1)	0.445(3)	3.636(2)E-4	64.884(7)	0.518(2)	0.136(4)
2.0	1.188(4)	13.685(2)	0.441(8)	3.554(4)E-4	56.351(4)	0.516(7)	0.137(1)
2.2	1.506(3)	13.624(4)	0.410(8)	3.487(3)E-4	52.741(3)	0.515(2)	0.139(7)
2.4	1.544(1)	13.564(9)	0.401(5)	3.391(3)E-4	49.858(4)	0.513(1)	0.137(7)
2.6	1.719(1)	13.510(7)	0.382(2)	3.382(5)E-4	46.460(5)	0.511(8)	0.137(7)
2.8	2.344(6)	13.492(1)	0.355(8)	3.302(1)E-4	44.871(5)	0.509(6)	0.136(7)
3.0	2.562(7)	12.867(1)	0.353(4)	3.279(7)E-4	41.311(8)	0.508(3)	0.135(5)
4.0	2.891(8)	12.779(5)	0.348(1)	3.135(1)E-4	39.973(8)	0.505(3)	0.136(8)
5.0	2.924(1)	12.765(8)	0.341(5)	2.761(1)E-4	36.953(7)	0.504(6)	0.136(5)
6.0	3.099(1)	12.636(9)	0.326(5)	2.166(4)E-4	32.057(9)	0.499(7)	0.136(7)
7.0	3.376(6)	12.384(7)	0.313(7)	1.824(5)E-4	30.779(4)	0.491(6)	0.135(6)
8.0	3.606(1)	12.005(2)	0.302(1)	1.418(6)E-4	28.230(6)	0.486(2)	0.137(9)
9.0	3.884(9)	11.908(3)	0.289(1)	8.560(9)E-5	25.898(2)	0.481(1)	0.137(7)
10.0	4.108(4)	11.869(2)	0.287(1)	5.447(6)E-5	21.794(6)	0.478(6)	0.135(4)
11.0	4.344(2)	11.671(2)	0.286(6)	3.804(9)E-5	19.859(2)	0.475(8)	0.136(4)
12.0	4.577(8)	11.658(1)	0.285(1)	2.864(5)E-5	16.172(3)	0.466(4)	0.137(9)
13.0	4.770(6)	11.632(5)	0.284(9)	2.240(4)E-5	14.146(1)	0.454(9)	0.135(9)
14.0	4.967(4)	11.552(1)	0.283(8)	1.746(1)E-5	12.785(3)	0.444(2)	0.135(8)
15.0	5.102(1)	11.254(8)	0.282(1)	1.415(6)E-5	11.779(5)	0.420(2)	0.136(8)
16.0	5.273(2)	11.082(1)	0.280(9)	1.158(4)E-5	10.642(9)	0.403(6)	0.136(8)

**Table S14.** Relaxation fitting parameters from least-squares fitting of  $\chi(\omega)$  data for compound **Dy<sub>24</sub>Na<sub>44</sub>** under zero applied dc field.

T (K)	$\chi_r$	$\chi_s$	$\alpha$	$\tau / \text{s}$
1.8	56.819(1)	33.685(6)	0.263(9)	1.945(1)E-3
2.0	52.654(3)	30.853(1)	0.253(2)	1.829(9)E-3
2.2	48.959(7)	30.469(1)	0.238(3)	1.670(2)E-3
2.4	45.778(6)	26.600(3)	0.224(8)	1.480(7)E-3
2.6	39.430(9)	22.813(2)	0.224(7)	1.230(1)E-3
2.8	34.805(4)	20.643(3)	0.220(1)	1.080(5)E-3
3.0	31.195(5)	18.740(1)	0.205(7)	9.268(2)E-4
3.4	25.809(3)	15.827(2)	0.203(5)	7.399(5)E-4
3.8	22.034(5)	14.039(9)	0.181(9)	5.837(9)E-4
4.2	19.235(4)	12.949(9)	0.155(2)	4.550(5)E-4
4.6	17.059(3)	12.225(4)	0.112(9)	3.600(6)E-4
5.0	15.350(9)	11.959(6)	0.082(5)	3.064(2)E-4
6.0	13.963(1)	11.593(9)	0.059(3)	2.101(8)E-4

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