

Mechanism of Magnetization Relaxation in $\{M^{III}_2Dy^{III}_2\}$ ($M = Cr, Mn, Fe, Al$) “Butterfly” Complexes: How Important Are the Transition Metal Ions Here?

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Supporting Information

Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement for compounds **1**, **2**, **3**, **4** and **8**

Compound	1	2	3	4	8
Formula	Cr ₂ Dy ₂ C ₇₂ H ₇₈ N ₆ O ₁₈	Cr ₂ Y ₂ C ₇₂ H ₇₈ N ₆ O ₁₈	Mn ₂ Dy ₂ C ₇₄ H ₈ ₂ N ₆ O ₂₀	Mn ₂ Y ₂ C ₇₄ H ₈₂ N ₆ O ₂₀	Al ₂ Dy _{0.18} Y _{1.82} C ₇₂ H ₇₈ N ₆ O ₁₈
Mr [g mol ⁻¹]	1744.40	1597.22	1878.46	1731.27	1560.43
Colour	green	green	brown	brown	white
Crystal System	monoclinic	monoclinic	triclinic	triclinic	monoclinic
Space Group	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>C2/c</i>	<i>P-1</i>	<i>P-1</i>	<i>C2/c</i>
T [K]	150 (2)	200	150 (2)	293	150 (2)
a [Å]	28.044 (3)	28.1143(3)	11.1952 (2)	11.20	27.5982(3)
b [Å]	10.4184 (9)	10.5198(2)	13.2472 (3)	13.27	10.6800 (2)
c [Å]	24.335 (3)	24.3898(3)	14.6071(3)	14.73	24.4179 (2)
[°]	90	90	111.771 (2)	111.68	90
[°]	94.793 (9)	94.7940(10)	93.386 (2)	93.55	94.202 (1)
[°]	90	90	110.092 (2)	110.12	90
V [Å ³]	7085.30 (13)	7188.21(18)	1845.67 (7)	1854.20	7177.80 (17)
Z	4	4	1		4
D _{xcalc} [g cm ⁻³]	1.635	1.476	1.595		1.444
μ(Mo-Kα) [mm ⁻¹]	2.46	5.13	13.98		3.81
F(000)	3504	3288	892		3219
Reflns collected	28433	23208	26827		20216
Unique data	6736	6828	7030		6811
Rint	0.0912	0.017	0.035		0.032
Data with I > 2σ(I)	4031	6110	6602		6259
parameters/restraints	459/1	474/1	198/19		460/1
S on F ²	0.875	1.06	1.04		1.04
R ₁ [I > 2σ(I)]	0.0432	0.027	0.026		0.029
wR ₂ (all data)	0.0886	0.073	0.065		0.074
Largest diff. peak/hole [e Å ⁻³]	+0.59/-0.93	+0.39/-0.31	+0.64/-0.69		+0.35/-0.54
CCDC	1880458	1902469	1880459		1880460

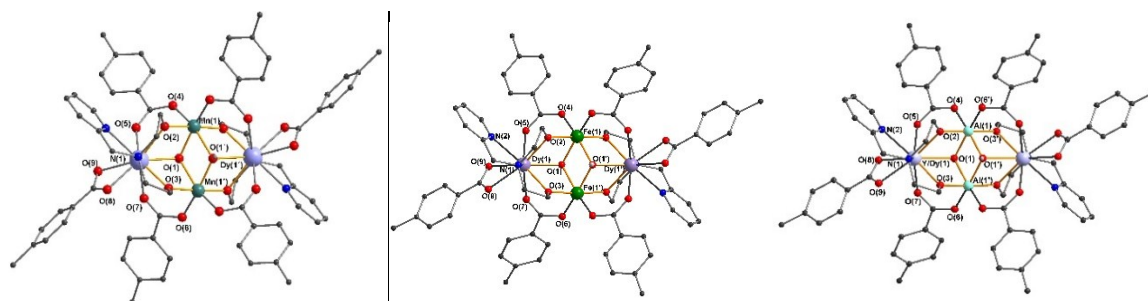


Fig S1. Structures of compound **3** {Mn₂Dy₂}, **5** {Fe₂Dy₂} and **8** {Al₂Dy_{0.18}Y_{1.82}}, from left to right.

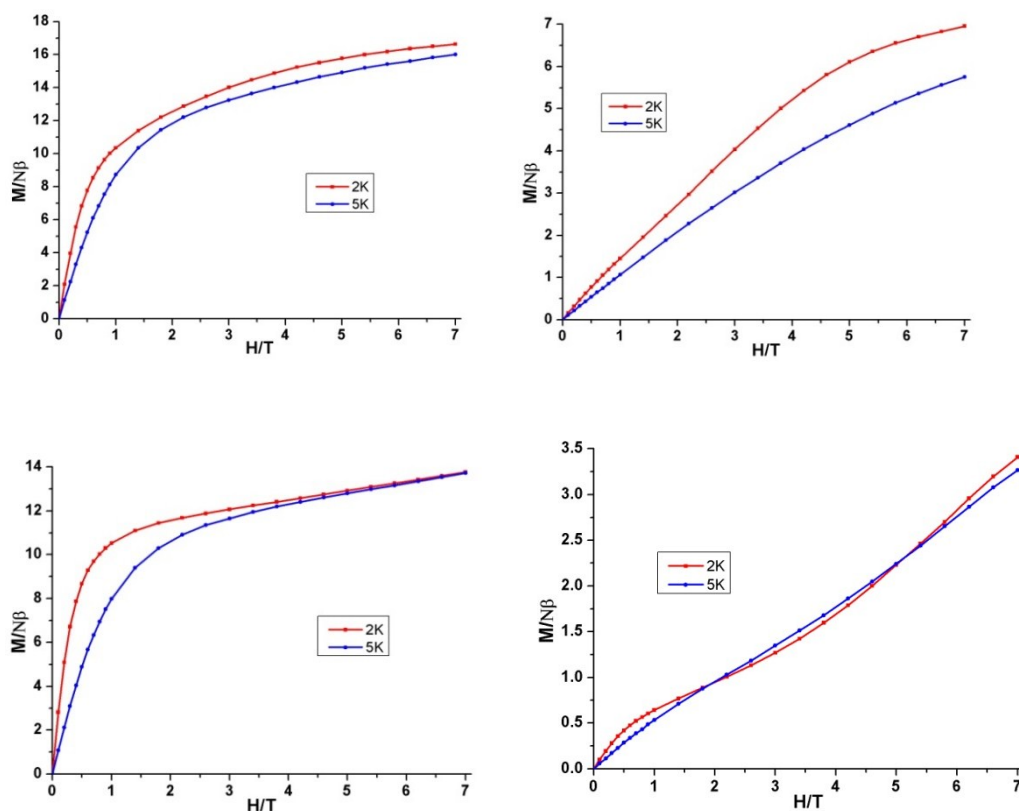


Fig S2. M vs H plots for **1** {Cr₂Dy₂} upper left, **2** {Cr₂Y₂} upper right, **3** {Mn₂Dy₂} lower left and **4** {Mn₂Y₂} lower right at 2 and 5 K

Table S2. Magnetic data of compounds **1-8** summarized from the dc measurement

Compound	Ground state of Ln ^{III} ion	χT expected for non-interacting ions per complex (cm ³ K mol ⁻¹)	χT measured at 300 K per complex (cm ³ K mol ⁻¹)	χT measured at 2 K per complex (cm ³ K mol ⁻¹)	Magnetization at 2 K and 7 T (Nβ)
Cr ₂ Dy ₂ (1)	⁶ H _{15/2}	32.09	27.70	23.00	16.64
Cr ₂ Y ₂ (2)	0	3.75	3.73	1.44	6.95
Mn ₂ Dy ₂ (3)	⁶ H _{15/2}	34.34	33.16	31.75	13.77
Mn ₂ Y ₂ (4)	0	6	5.38	1.10	3.41
Fe ₂ Dy ₂ (5)	⁶ H _{15/2}	37.09	36.60	25.77	11.97
Fe ₂ Y ₂ (6)	0	8.75	6.61	0	0.005
Al ₂ Dy ₂ (7)	⁶ H _{15/2}	28.34	28.73	26.85	11.09
Al ₂ Dy _{0.18} Y _{1.82} (8)	⁶ H _{15/2}	2.55	2.56	2.25	1.46

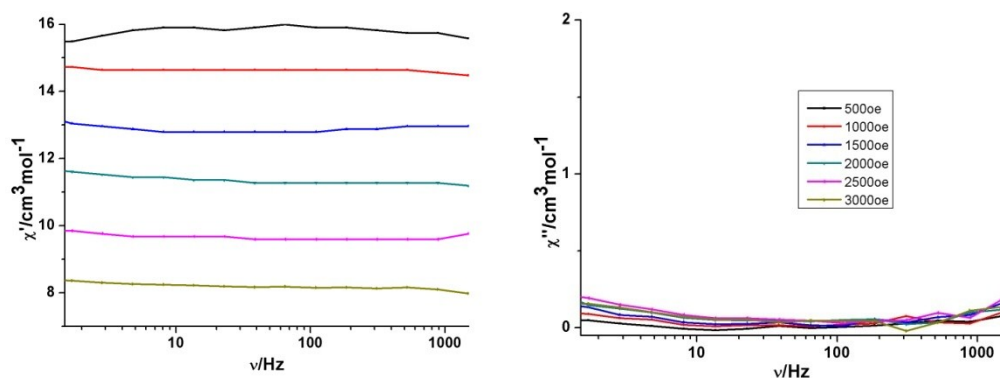


Fig S3. Frequency dependence of the in-phase, (χ' , left), and out-of-phase, (χ'' , right) for **1** {Cr₂Dy₂} in different dc applied field at 2 K

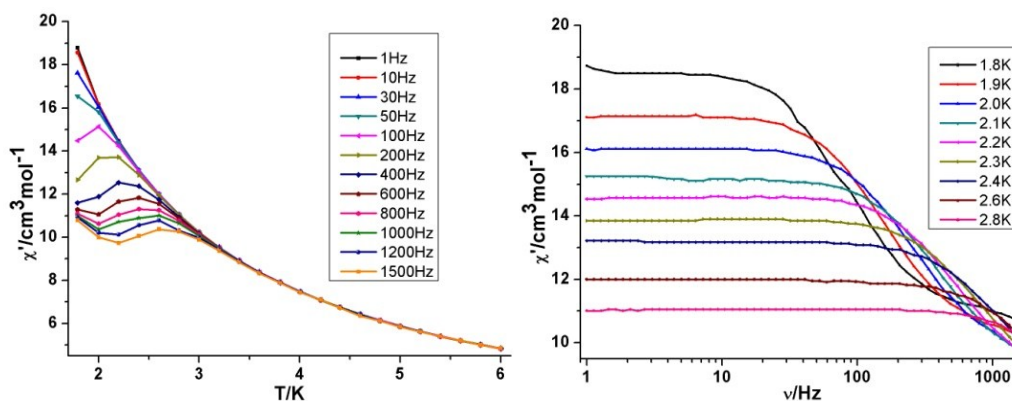


Fig S4. Temperature (left) and frequency (right) dependence under zero dc field of the in-phase (χ') for compound **3** $\{\text{Mn}_2\text{Dy}_2\}$

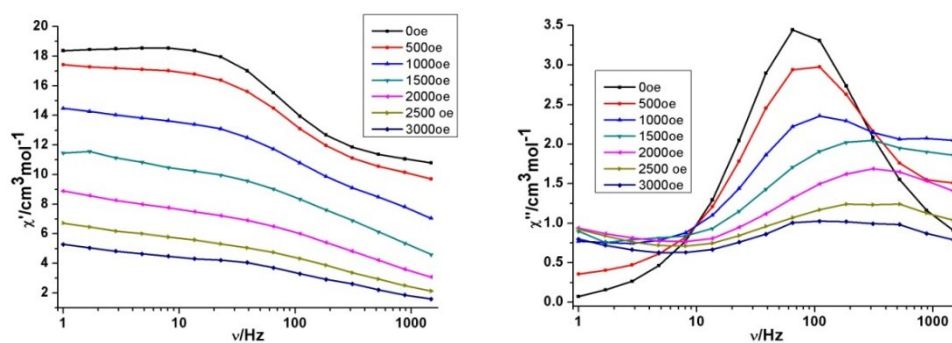


Fig S5. Frequency dependence of the in-phase, (χ' , left), and out-of-phase, (χ'' , right) for **3** $\{\text{Mn}_2\text{Dy}_2\}$ in different dc applied field at 2 K

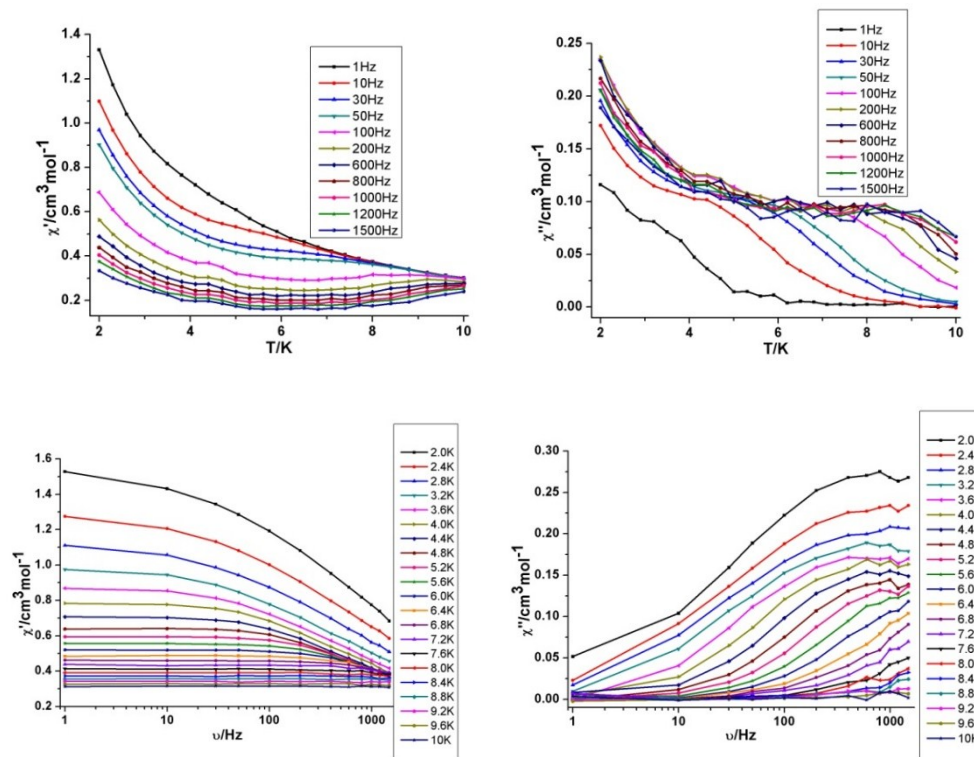


Fig S6. Temperature (upper) and frequency (lower) dependence under zero dc field of the in-phase (χ' , left) and the out-of-phase (χ'' , right) for compound **8** $\{\text{Al}_2\text{Dy}_{0.18}\text{Y}_{1.82}\}$.

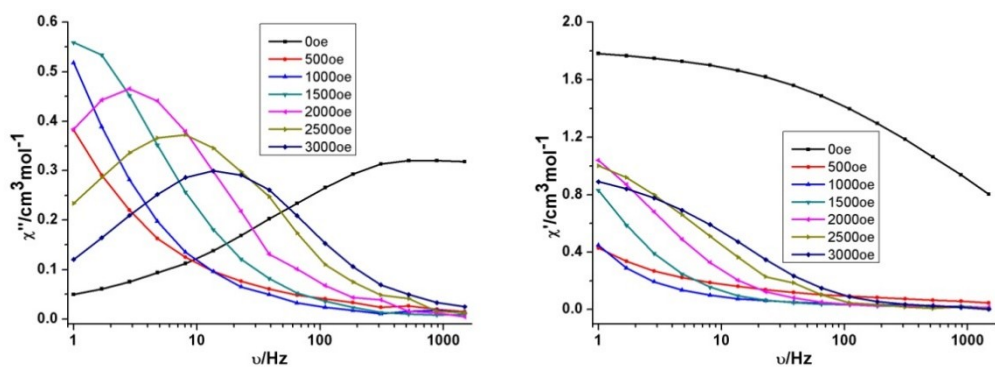


Fig S7. Frequency dependence of the in-phase, (χ' , left), and out-of-phase, (χ'' , right) for **8** $\{\text{Al}_2\text{Dy}_{0.18}\text{Y}_{1.82}\}$ in different dc applied field at 2 K.

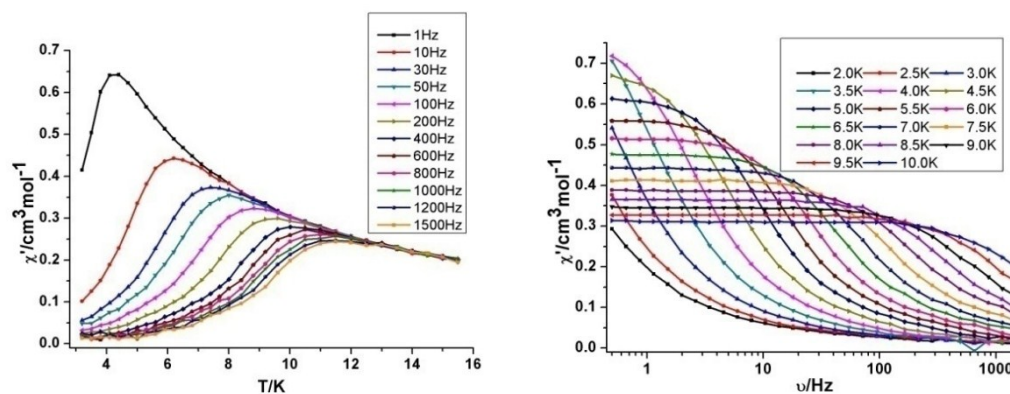


Fig S8. Temperature (left) and frequency (right) dependence under 1000 Oe dc field of the in-phase (χ') for **8** $\{\text{Al}_2\text{Dy}_{0.18}\text{Y}_{1.82}\}$.

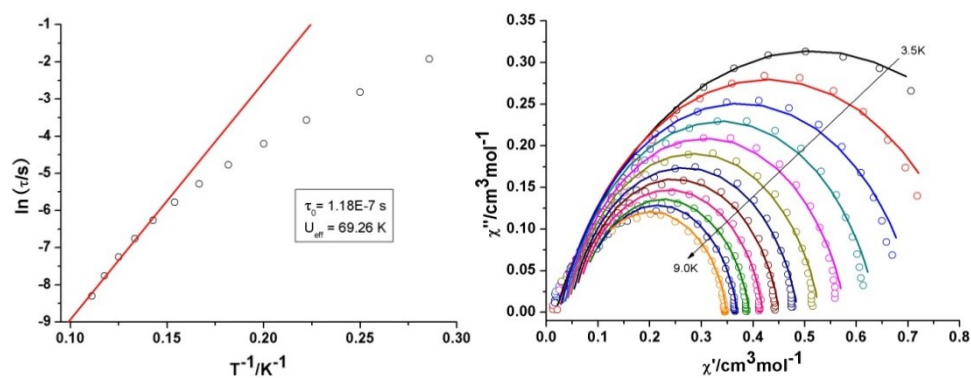


Fig S9. τ vs T^{-1} plot in 1000 Oe dc field (left) and Cole-Cole plots at indicated temperature (right) for **8** $\{\text{Al}_2\text{Dy}_{0.18}\text{Y}_{1.82}\}$ under 1000 Oe dc field.

CC-Fit results for **3** {Mn₂Dy₂}

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 Number of temperatures: 7
 Number of frequencies: 60

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0.107216E+02	0.186312E+02	0.174093E-02	0.934268E-01	0.107496E+01
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0.903574E+01	0.152250E+02	0.373962E-03	0.826088E-01	0.189436E+00
0.880901E+01	0.146193E+02	0.281169E-03	0.668418E-01	0.184881E+00
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0.806101E+01	0.132001E+02	0.133901E-03	0.713518E-01	0.466416E-01

CC-Fit results for **8** {Al₂Dy_{0.18}Y_{1.82}}

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0.162190E-01	0.155148E+01	0.148373E+01	0.379562E+00	0.374572E-03
0.161577E-01	0.123017E+01	0.447231E+00	0.336044E+00	0.685720E-03
0.187810E-01	0.100887E+01	0.146498E+00	0.286646E+00	0.348529E-02
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0.587139E-01	0.390639E+00	0.704651E-03	0.145857E+00	0.955193E-03
0.610797E-01	0.366848E+00	0.424532E-03	0.129336E+00	0.344414E-03
0.538812E-01	0.346708E+00	0.246788E-03	0.140537E+00	0.223625E-03
0.646365E-01	0.328133E+00	0.155656E-03	0.126125E+00	0.112848E-03
0.730838E-01	0.311723E+00	0.101946E-03	0.111941E+00	0.166666E-03

Table S3. *Ab Initio* computed ground state g -tensors, D, E values along with their respective energy for all paramagnetic metal centers in complexes **1** {Cr₂Dy₂}, **3** {Mn₂Dy₂}, **5** {Fe₂Dy₂} and **7**{Al₂Dy₂}.

	Dy1/Dy2				Cr1/Cr2			D cm ⁻¹	E cm ⁻¹
	E	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}		
KD1	0.0/0.0	0.28/0.18	0.47/0.30	18.14/18.67	1.96	1.96	1.96	-0.14	-0.03
KD2	27.0/33.9	0.22/0.10	0.45/0.26	18.10/17.90					
KD3	78.3/92.0	1.97/1.93	3.42/3.22	13.06/12.98					
KD4	140.9/161.6	7.49/3.97	5.79/5.67	3.81/7.48					
KD5	223.0/246.5	2.42/0.94	3.66/3.39	8.57/9.41					
KD6	255.5/291.1	1.42/1.34	5.04/3.64	13.10/13.66					
KD7	317.9/368.3	0.17/0.11	0.59/0.35	18.46/18.74					
KD8	418.0/449.8	0.04/0.03	0.09/0.08	19.57/19.56					

	Dy1/Dy2				Mn1/Mn2			D cm ⁻¹	E cm ⁻¹
	E	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}		
KD1	0.0/0.0	0.13/0.13	0.36/0.36	19.35/19.34	1.99	1.99	1.97	-3.35	0.73
KD2	50.2/50.2	1.78/1.78	5.93/5.92	12.16/12.16					
KD3	79.7/79.7	2.89/2.88	4.80/4.80	7.91/7.90					
KD4	112.2/112.2	1.30/1.30	3.29/3.28	11.80/11.79					
KD5	178.6/178.6	1.67/1.66	3.24/3.24	11.95/11.94					
KD6	223.3/223.3	1.98/1.97	2.49/2.49	15.60/15.59					
KD7	283.5/283.5	0.23/0.23	0.38/0.38	19.08/19.05					
KD8	344.5/344.5	0.00/0.00	0.08/0.08	19.40/19.38					

	Dy1/Dy2				Fe1/Fe2			D cm ⁻¹	E cm ⁻¹
	E	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}		
KD1	0.0/0.0	0.25/0.18	0.47/0.35	18.01/18.09	2.00	2.00	2.00	-0.10	-0.02
KD2	39.9/44.0	1.26/0.88	1.40/0.97	15.18/15.79					
KD3	88.6/96.0	0.25/0.82	2.94/3.08	14.14/14.14					
KD4	126.6/142.3	4.29/4.39	5.34/5.23	8.92/8.60					
KD5	192.1/212.0	1.48/0.84	2.63/2.65	10.67/10.29					
KD6	218.5/247.5	1.25/1.17	3.77/3.11	14.34/14.39					
KD7	291.2/330.3	0.09/0.05	0.21/0.13	18.92/19.17					
KD8	391.8/407.0	0.02/0.02	0.04/0.04	19.67/19.64					

	Dy1/Dy2			
	E	g _{xx}	g _{yy}	g _{zz}
KD1	0.0/0.0	0.17/0.14	0.19/0.16	19.05/19.00
KD2	47.0/43.5	1.02/0.70	1.62/0.98	16.56/16.98
KD3	87.9/93.0	0.75/1.14	3.18/3.15	13.87/13.60
KD4	133.1/146.4	4.36/4.64	5.53/5.42	8.02/8.02
KD5	212.3/229.2	1.19/0.63	2.31/2.37	9.54/9.52
KD6	251.6/275.9	1.04/1.01	2.82/2.48	14.11/14.00
KD7	322.0/358.9	0.06/0.04	0.16/0.14	19.13/19.13
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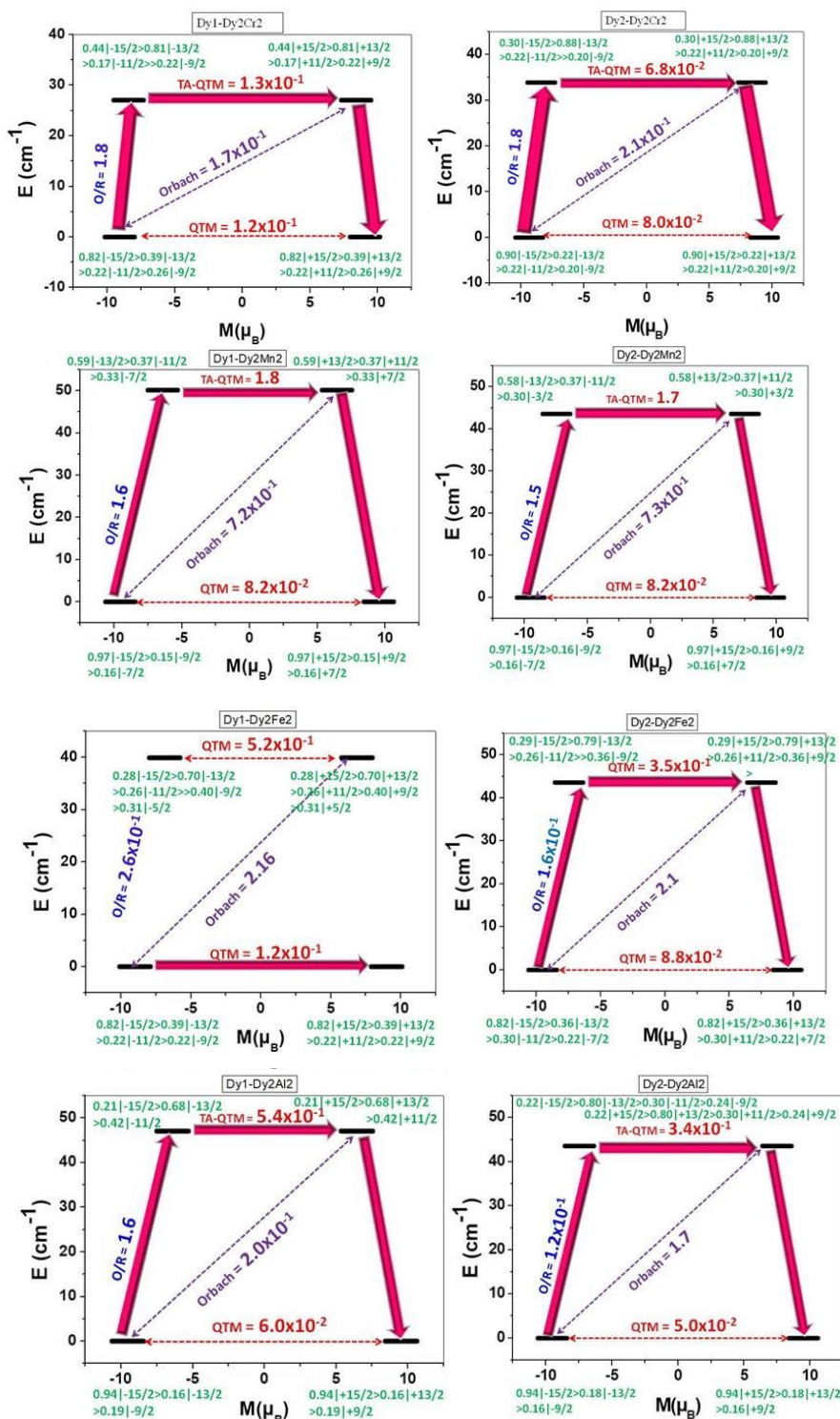
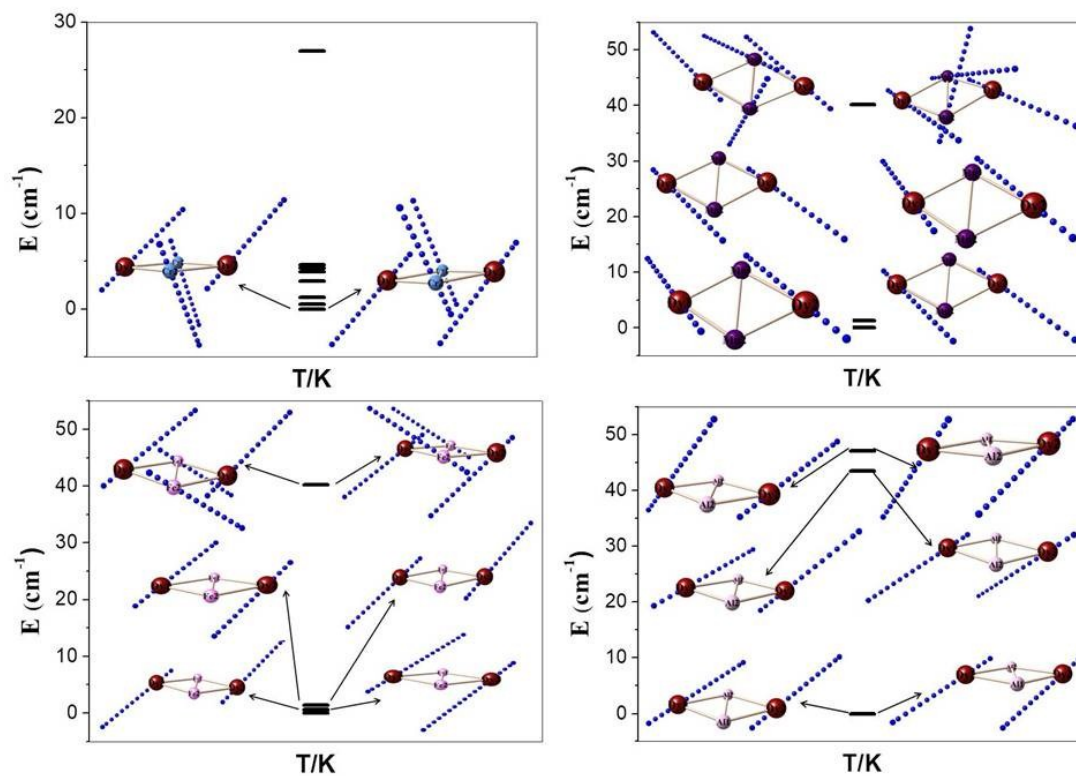


Fig S10. The *ab initio* computed magnetization blocking barrier for Dy1 and Dy2 ions of complexes **1** {Cr₂Dy₂}, **3** {Mn₂Dy₂}, **5** {Fe₂Dy₂} and **7** {Al₂Dy₂}. The x-axis indicates the magnetic moment of each state along main magnetic axis of Dy ions, while y-axis denotes the energy of the respective states. The thick black lines indicate the Kramer's doublets as a function of computed magnetic moment. The indigo arrows show the possible pathway via Orbach/Raman relaxation. The dotted red lines represent the presence of QTM/TA-QTM between the connecting pairs. The numbers provided at each arrow are the mean absolute value for the corresponding matrix element of transition magnetic moment. The numbers given in green color correspond to wave function analysis of the m_j levels.

Fig
S11.



POLY_ANISO computed low-lying exchange spectrum for complexes **1** {Cr₂Dy₂}, **3** {Mn₂Dy₂}, **5** {Fe₂Dy₂} and **7** {Al₂Dy₂}.

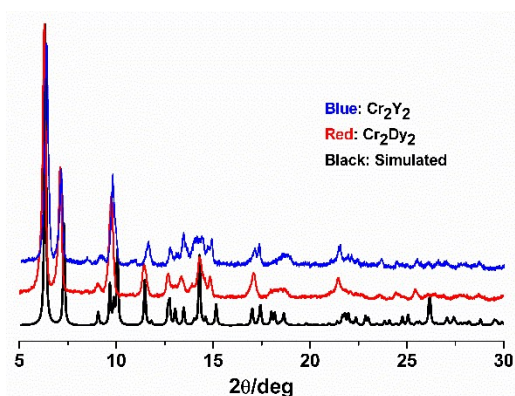


Fig S12. The powder diffraction of compounds **1** {Cr₂Dy₂} and **2** {Cr₂Y₂}

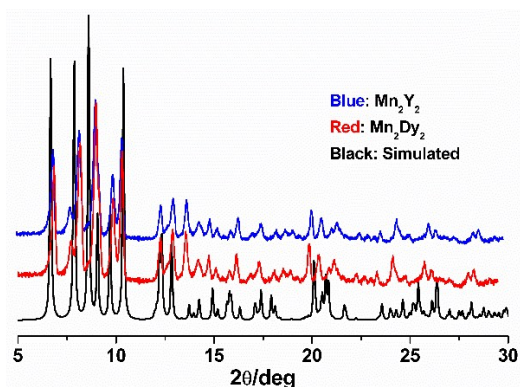


Fig S13. The powder diffraction of compounds **3** {Mn₂Dy₂} and **4** {Mn₂Y₂}