

# **Electronic Supporting Information**

## **Photoluminescent Lanthanide-Organic Bilayer Networks with 2,3-Pyrazinedicarboxylate and Oxalate**

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# Table S1

**Table S1.** Selected bond lengths (in Å) and angles (in degrees) for the coordination Polyhedron of Ce<sup>3+</sup> in [Ce<sub>2</sub>(2,3-pzdc)<sub>2</sub>(ox)(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>n</sub> (**1**).<sup>a</sup>

Ce(1)–O(1)	2.483(5)	O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Ce(1)–O(1W)	153.45(15)
Ce(1)–O(2) <sup>i</sup>	2.465(5)	O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Ce(1)–N(1)	75.33(9)
Ce(1)–O(3)	2.419(4)	O(3)–Ce(1)–O(3) <sup>ii</sup>	73.2(2)
Ce(1)–O(3) <sup>ii</sup>	2.419(4)	O(3)–Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iii</sup>	100.01(14)
Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iii</sup>	2.412(3)	O(3)–Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iv</sup>	147.98(13)
Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iv</sup>	2.412(3)	O(3)–Ce(1)–O(1W)	70.98(12)
Ce(1)–O(1W)	2.581(5)	O(3)–Ce(1)–N(1)	58.48(12)
Ce(1)–N(1)	2.872(4)	O(3)–Ce(1)–N(1) <sup>ii</sup>	126.66(14)
Ce(1)–N(1) <sup>ii</sup>	2.872(4)	O(3) <sup>ii</sup> –Ce(1)–N(1) <sup>ii</sup>	58.48(12)
		O(4) <sup>iii</sup> –Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iv</sup>	68.80(17)
O(1)–Ce(1)–O(2) <sup>i</sup>	66.06(16)	O(4) <sup>iii</sup> –Ce(1)–O(1W)	77.21(12)
O(1)–Ce(1)–O(3)	77.58(14)	O(4) <sup>iii</sup> –Ce(1)–N(1)	67.65(11)
O(1)–Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iii</sup>	132.56(12)	O(4) <sup>iii</sup> –Ce(1)–N(1) <sup>ii</sup>	132.87(11)
O(1)–Ce(1)–O(1W)	140.49(16)	O(4) <sup>iv</sup> –Ce(1)–N(1) <sup>ii</sup>	67.65(11)
O(1)–Ce(1)–N(1)	71.51(8)	O(1W)–Ce(1)–N(1)	109.35(8)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Ce(1)–O(3)	128.27(11)	N(1)–Ce(1)–N(1) <sup>ii</sup>	139.62(16)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Ce(1)–O(4) <sup>iii</sup>	80.95(12)		

<sup>a</sup> Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

(i)  $-x+I, -y+I, -z+I$ ; (ii)  $x, -y+I, z$ ; (iii)  $x-\frac{1}{2}, -y+\frac{1}{2}, z$ ; (iv)  $x-\frac{1}{2}, y+\frac{1}{2}, z$ .

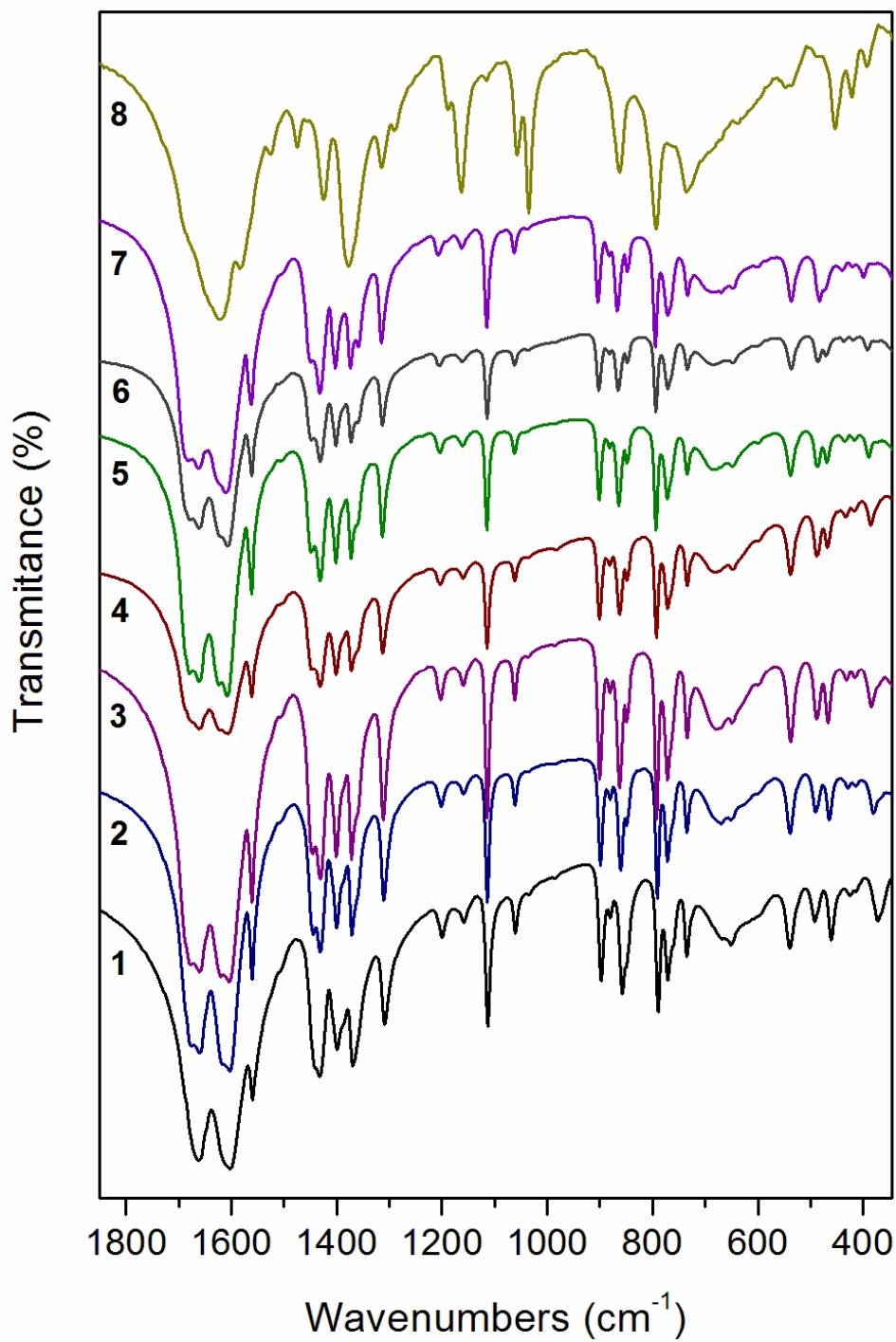
# Table S2

**Table S2.** Selected bond lengths (in Å) and angles (in degrees) for the coordination Polyhedron of  $\text{Tb}^{3+}$  in  $[\text{Tb}_2(2\text{-pzc})_4(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6] \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (**8**).<sup>a</sup>

Tb(1)–O(1)	2.485(5)	O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–N(1)	139.85(19)
Tb(1)–O(2) <sup>i</sup>	2.387(5)	O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–N(3)	74.60(18)
Tb(1)–O(3)	2.369(5)	O(3)–Tb(1)–O(5)	133.60(17)
Tb(1)–O(5)	2.326(5)	O(3)–Tb(1)–O(1W)	139.00(18)
Tb(1)–O(1W)	2.451(5)	O(3)–Tb(1)–O(2W)	77.06(19)
Tb(1)–O(2W)	2.409(5)	O(3)–Tb(1)–O(3W)	83.18(18)
Tb(1)–O(3W)	2.413(4)	O(3)–Tb(1)–N(1)	63.19(18)
Tb(1)–N(1)	2.677(6)	O(3)–Tb(1)–N(3)	142.30(18)
Tb(1)–N(3)	2.682(6)	O(5)–Tb(1)–O(1W)	76.30(18)
		O(5)–Tb(1)–O(2W)	92.6(2)
O(1)–Tb(1)–O(2) <sup>i</sup>	66.84(17)	O(5)–Tb(1)–O(3W)	77.43(17)
O(1)–Tb(1)–O(3)	72.44(18)	O(5)–Tb(1)–N(1)	70.52(18)
O(1)–Tb(1)–O(5)	132.68(18)	O(5)–Tb(1)–N(3)	63.91(17)
O(1)–Tb(1)–O(1W)	66.79(17)	O(1W)–Tb(1)–O(2W)	137.27(19)
O(1)–Tb(1)–O(2W)	134.63(19)	O(1W)–Tb(1)–O(3W)	77.08(17)
O(1)–Tb(1)–O(3W)	66.53(17)	O(1W)–Tb(1)–N(1)	136.39(18)
O(1)–Tb(1)–N(1)	119.21(18)	O(1W)–Tb(1)–N(3)	70.01(18)
O(1)–Tb(1)–N(3)	123.97(18)	O(2W)–Tb(1)–O(3W)	141.3(2)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–O(3)	84.48(18)	O(2W)–Tb(1)–N(1)	72.6(2)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–O(5)	137.93(17)	O(2W)–Tb(1)–N(3)	68.11(18)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–O(1W)	83.62(18)	O(3W)–Tb(1)–N(1)	68.82(18)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–O(2W)	77.6(2)	O(3W)–Tb(1)–N(3)	133.66(18)
O(2) <sup>i</sup> –Tb(1)–O(3W)	133.35(18)	N(1)–Tb(1)–N(3)	116.57(19)

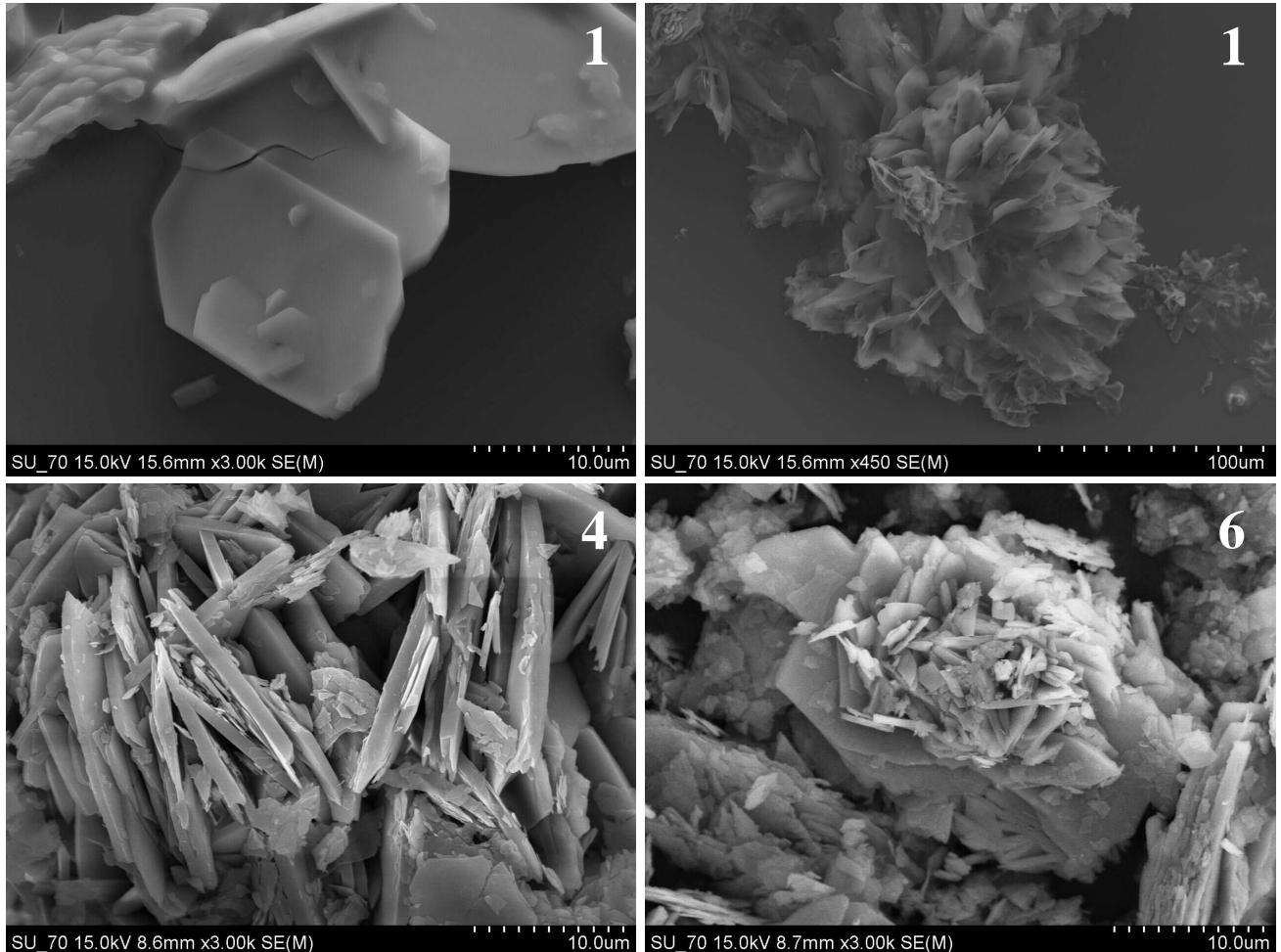
<sup>a</sup> Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms: (i)  $-x+1, -y+2, -z+2$ .

## Figure S1



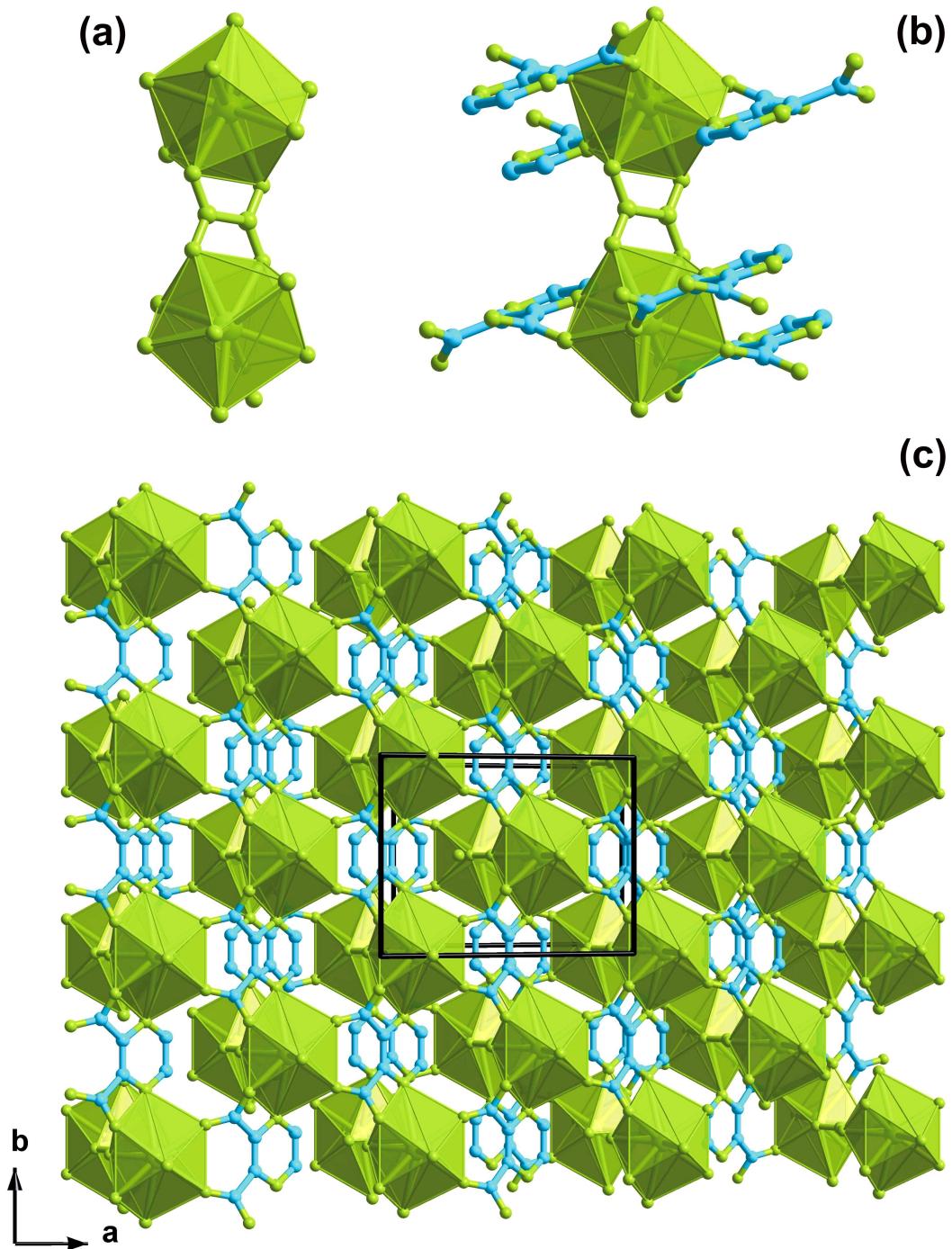
**Figure S1.** FT-IR spectra of  $[\text{Ln}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  [with  $\text{Ln}(\text{III}) = \text{Ce}$  (**1**),  $\text{Nd}$  (**2**),  $\text{Sm}$  (**3**),  $\text{Eu}$  (**4**),  $\text{Gd}$  (**5**),  $\text{Tb}$  (**6**) or  $\text{Er}$  (**7**)] and of  $[\text{Tb}_2(2\text{-pzc})_4(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6] \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (**8**).

## Figure S2



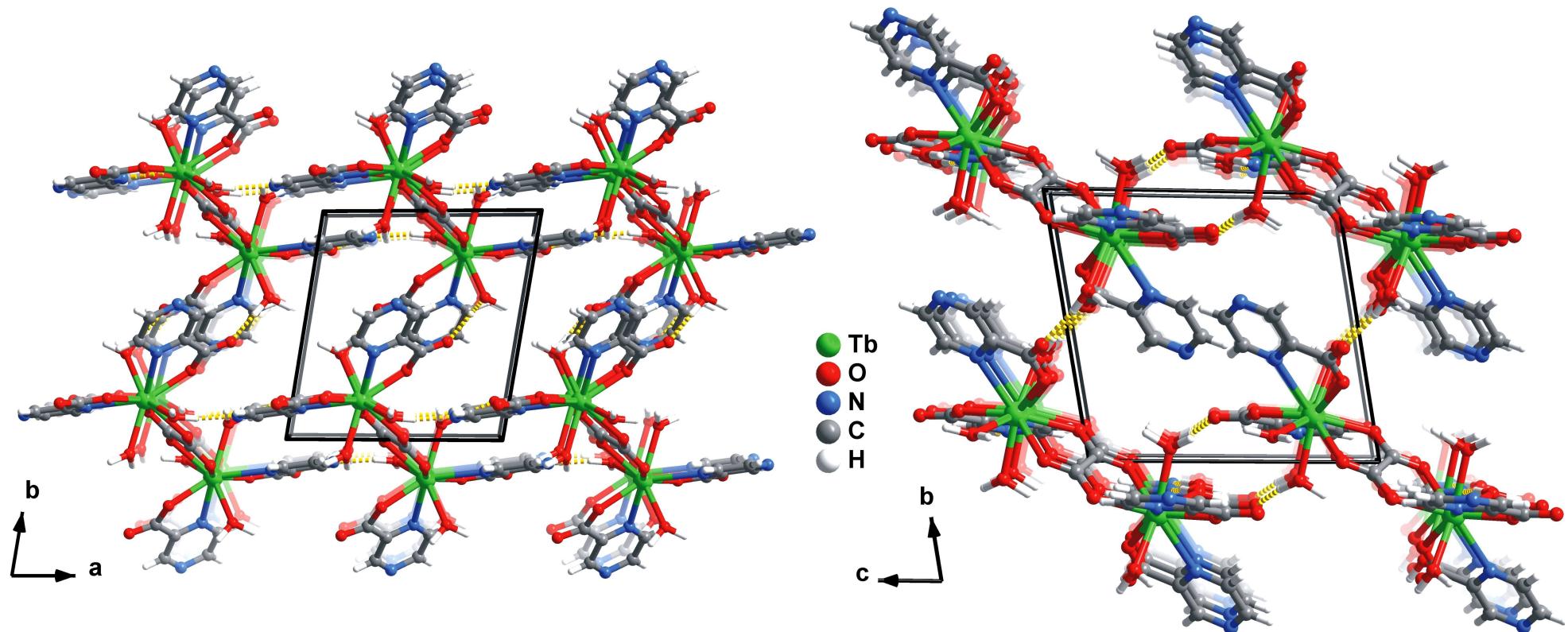
**Figure S2.** SEM images of  $[\text{Ln}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  [with  $\text{Ln}(\text{III}) = \text{Ce}$  (**1**),  $\text{Eu}$  (**4**) or  $\text{Tb}$  (**6**)].

**Figure S3**



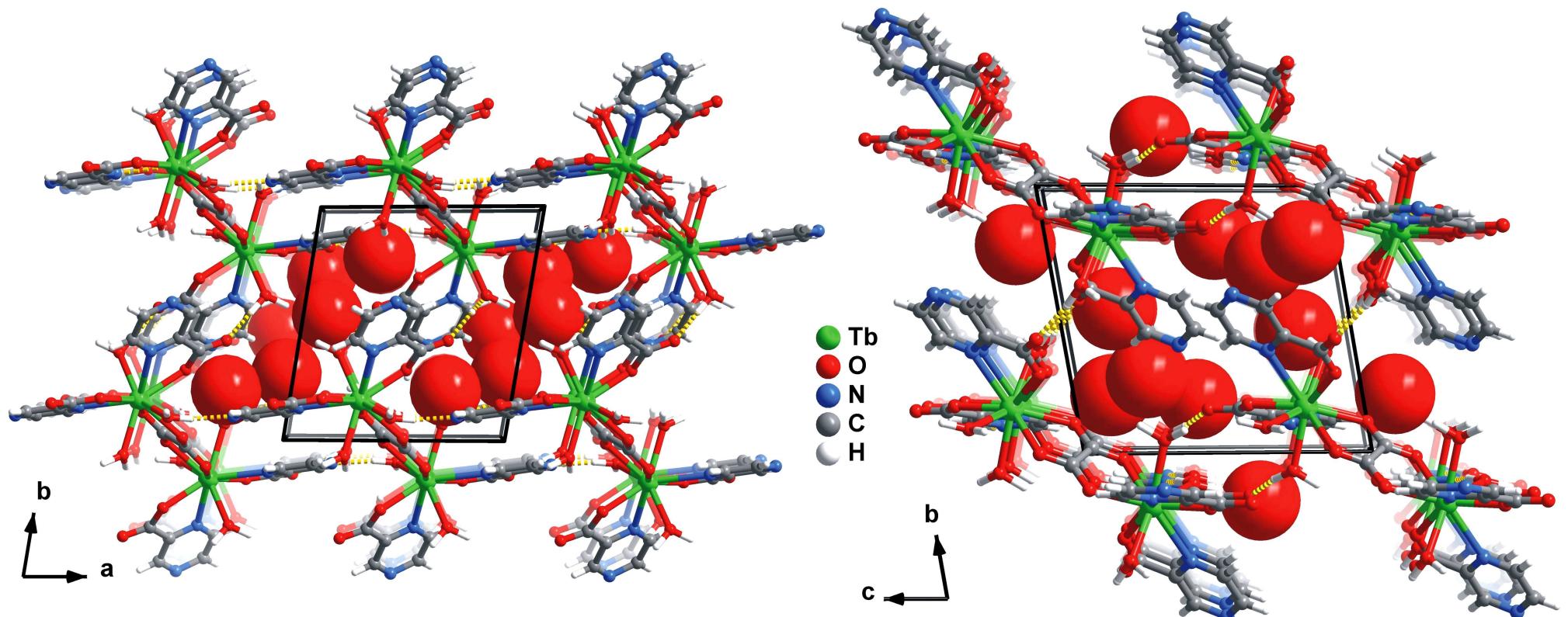
**Figure S3.** Mixed polyhedral and ball-and-stick representations of the separation between the organic (blue) and the inorganic (green) components in the structure of  $[Ce_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  (**1**): **(a)** isolated inorganic component (two  $\{\text{CeN}_2\text{O}_4\}$  polyhedra connected by one  $\text{ox}^{2-}$  anion); **(b)** inorganic part surrounded by six organic components ( $2,3\text{-pzdc}^{2-}$  ligand); **(c)**  $\infty^2[Ce_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$  bilayer viewed in perspective along the [001] direction of the unit cell.

**Figure S4**



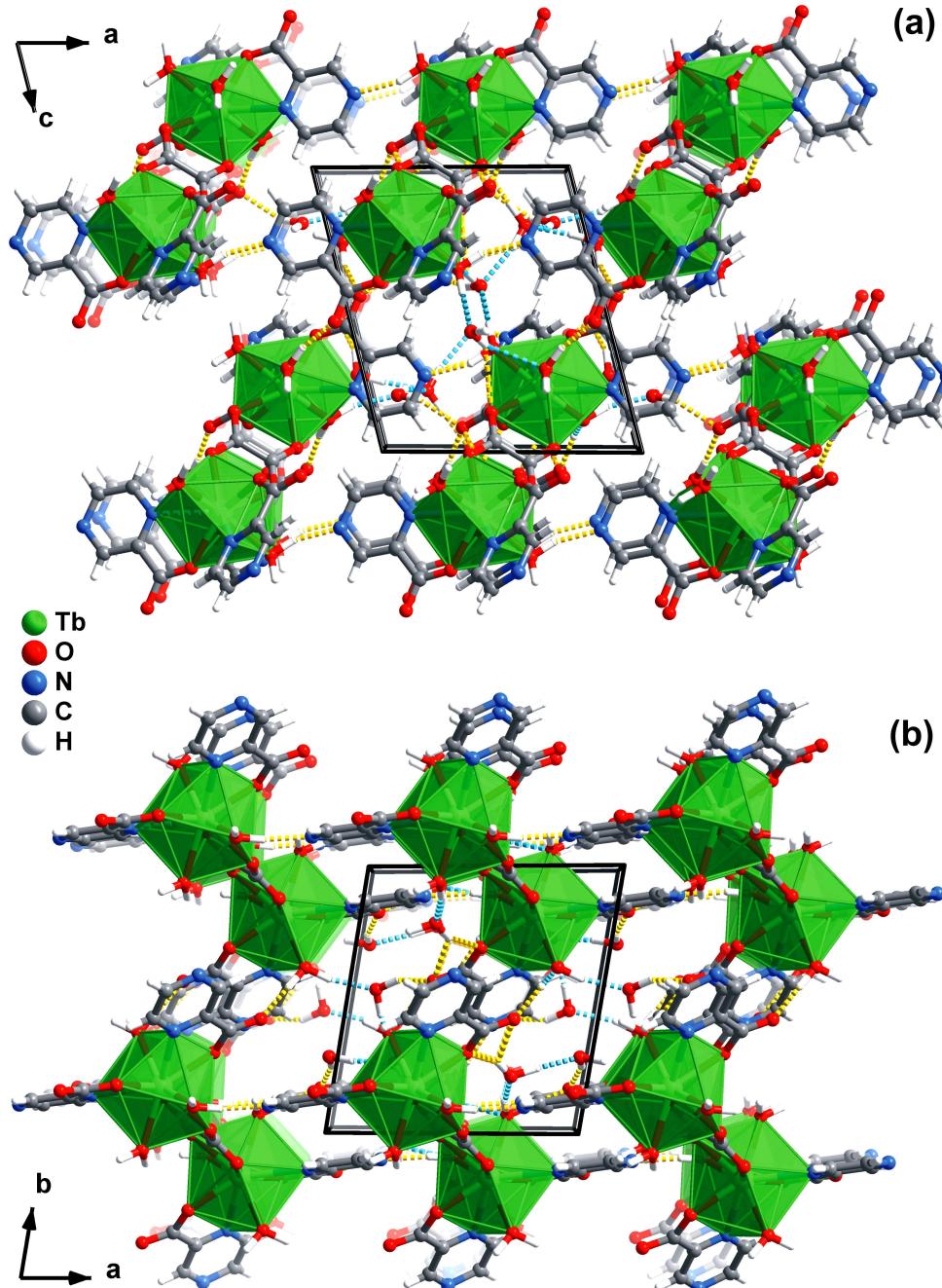
**Figure S4.** Ball-and-stick representation of the close packing of  $[Tb_2(2\text{-pzc})_4(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6]$  complexes viewed in perspective along the (a) [001] and (b) [100] crystallographic directions, emphasizing the channels running parallel to these directions. Inter-complex hydrogen bonds are drawn as dashed yellow lines. See Table 4 in the main paper for details on the hydrogen bonding geometry.

**Figure S5**



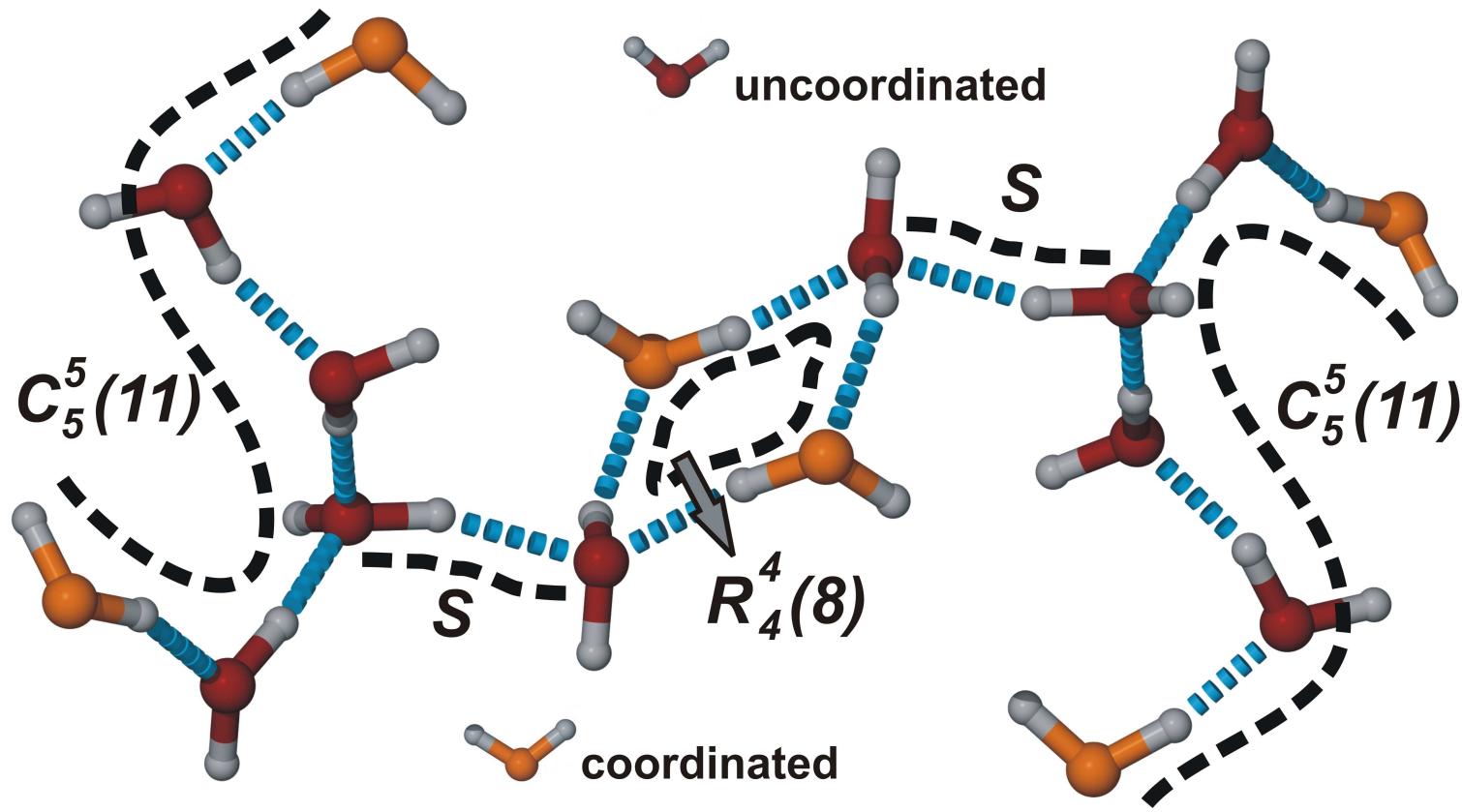
**Figure S5.** Mixed ball-and-stick and space-filling (crystallization water molecules) representation of the crystal packing of  $[\text{Tb}_2(2\text{-pzc})_4(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6] \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$  viewed in perspective along the (a) [001] and (b) [100] crystallographic directions. Channels running parallel to these directions and filled with the uncoordinated crystallization water molecules are emphasized. Inter-complex hydrogen bonds are represented as dashed yellow lines. See Table 4 in the main paper for details on the hydrogen bonding geometry.

**Figure S6**



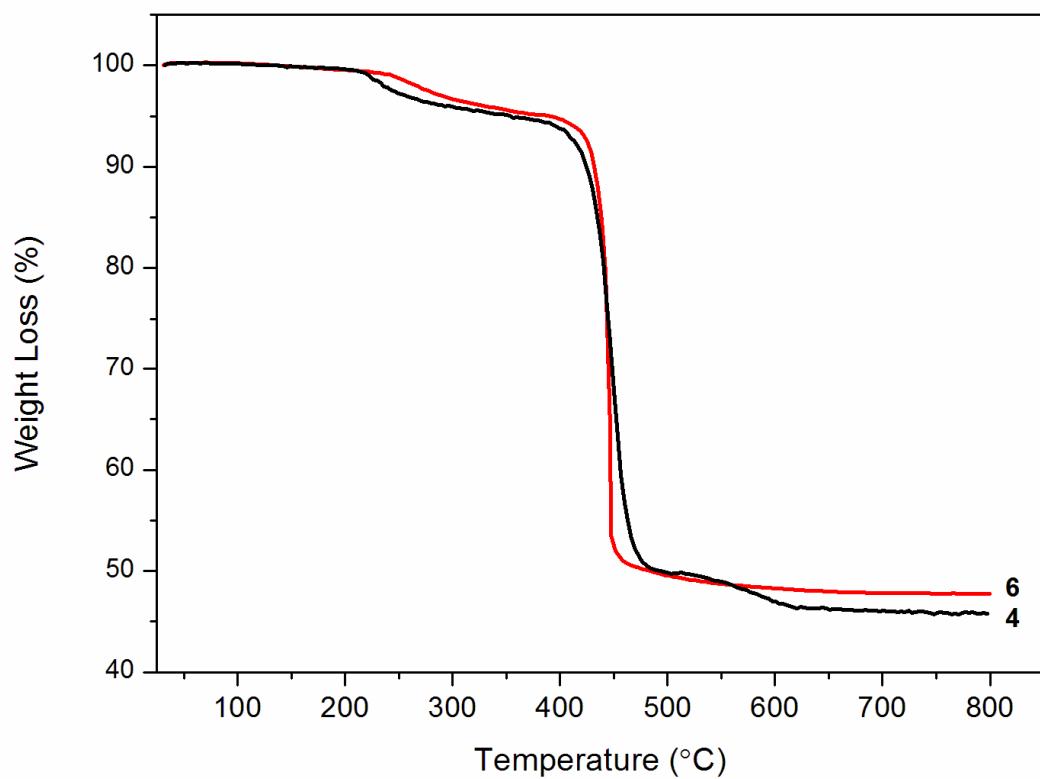
**Figure S6.** Mixed polyhedral (green) and ball-and-stick representation of the crystal packing of  $[\text{Tb}_2(2\text{-pzc})_4(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6] \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$  viewed in perspective along the (a)  $[010]$  and (b)  $[001]$  crystallographic directions. Hydrogen bonds involving the uncoordinated water molecules are represented as dashed blue lines and the remaining hydrogen bonds represented as dashed yellow lines. See Table 4 in the main paper for details on the hydrogen bonding geometry.

**Figure S7**



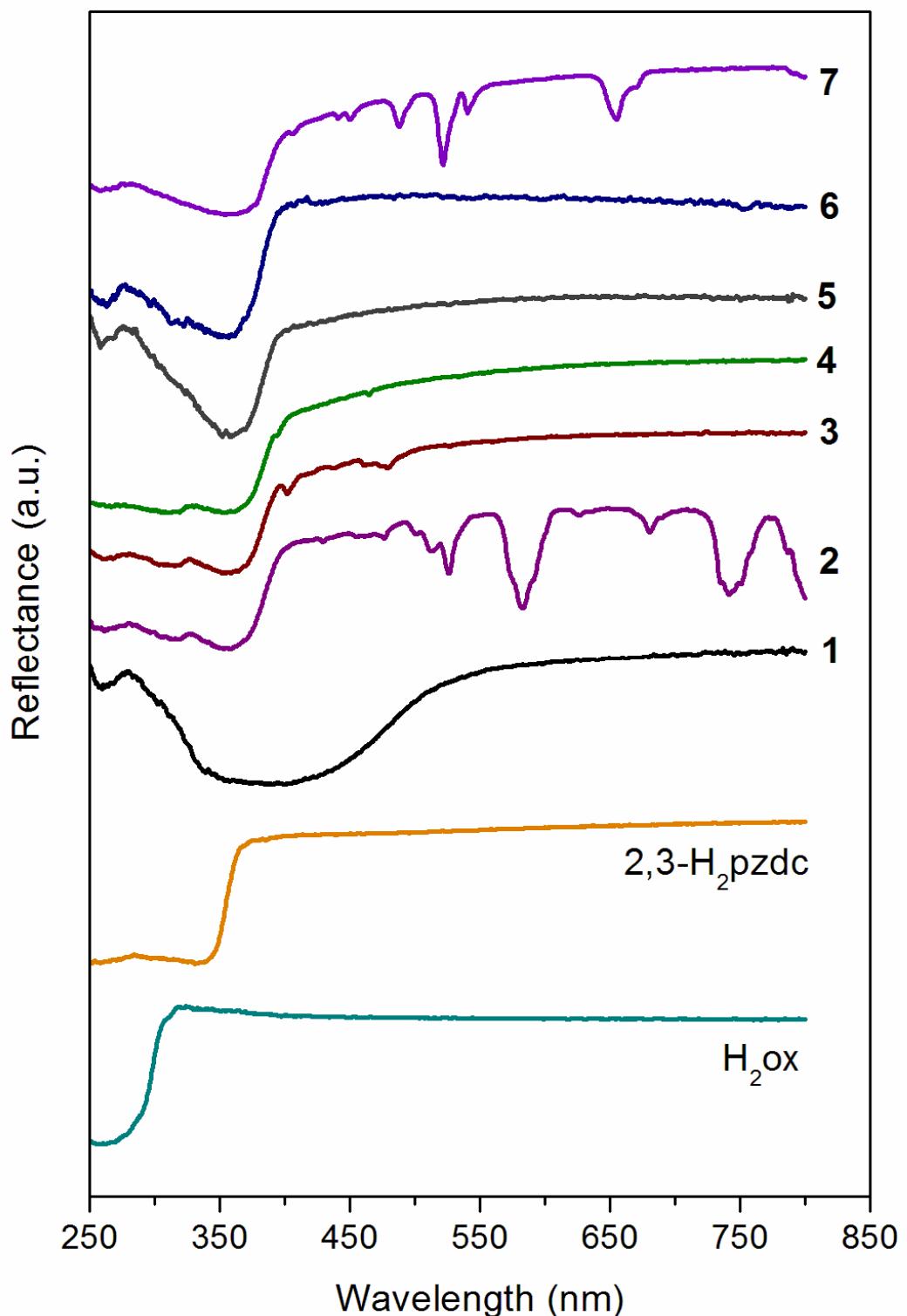
**Figure S7.** The  $(\text{H}_2\text{O})_{16}$  cluster that results of a hydrogen bonding network with a graph set motif  $[C_5^5(11)]_2(S)_2R_4^4(8)$ . Oxygen atoms shown as red and orange represent the uncoordinated and coordinated water molecules, respectively.

## Figure S8



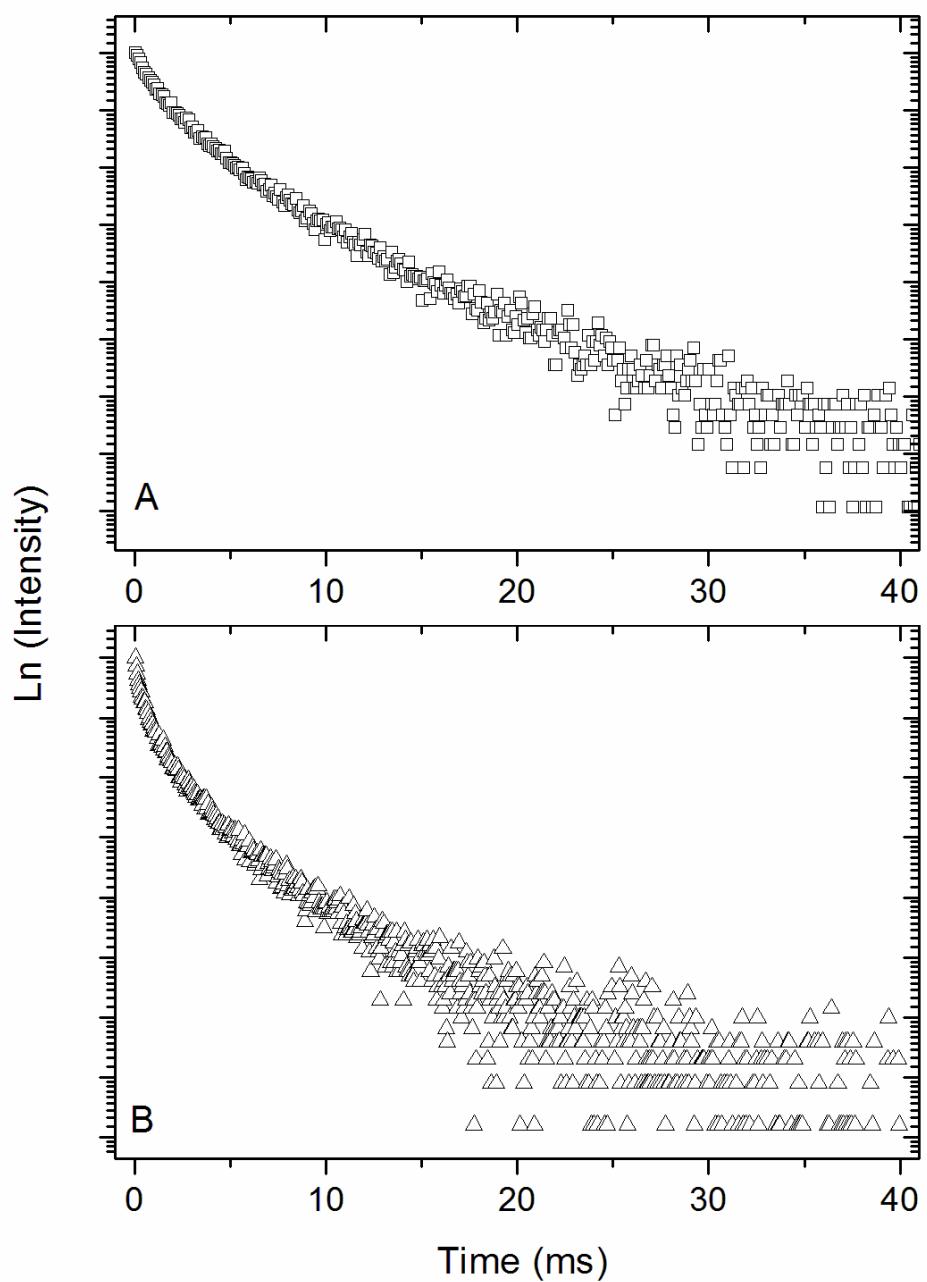
**Figure S8.** Thermograms for  $[\text{Ln}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  [with  $\text{Ln}(\text{III}) = \text{Eu}$  (**4**) or  $\text{Tb}$  (**6**)].

**Figure S9**



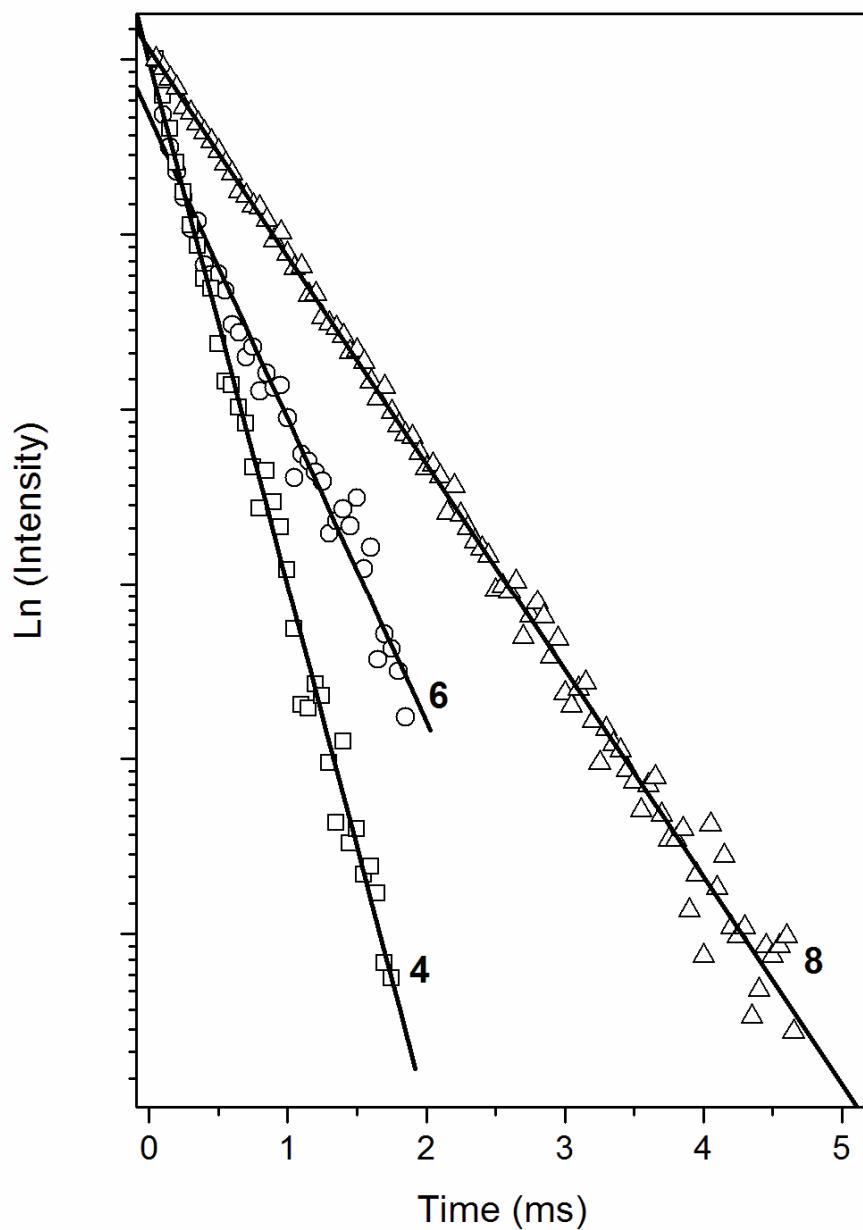
**Figure S9.** Room temperature diffuse reflectance spectra of free ligands ( $2,3\text{-H}_2\text{pzdc}$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{ox}$ ) and of  $[\text{Ln}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  [with  $\text{Ln}(\text{III}) = \text{Ce}$  (**1**),  $\text{Nd}$  (**2**),  $\text{Sm}$  (**3**),  $\text{Eu}$  (**4**),  $\text{Gd}$  (**5**),  $\text{Tb}$  (**6**) or  $\text{Er}$ (**7**)].

**Figure S10**



**Figure S10.** 12K emission decay curves of  $[\text{Gd}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  (**5**), excited at 283 nm and monitored around (A) 520 nm and (B) 450 nm.

**Figure S11**



**Figure S11.** Room temperature emission decay curves of  $[\text{Eu}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  (**4**,  $\square$ ) monitored at 614 nm and excited at 464 nm, of  $[\text{Tb}_2(2,3\text{-pzdc})_2(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]_n$  (**6**,  $\circ$ ) monitored at 544 nm and excited at 490 nm, and of  $[\text{Tb}_2(2\text{-pzc})_4(\text{ox})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_6] \cdot 10\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (**8**,  $\Delta$ ) monitored at 544 nm and excited at 330 nm.