

Supporting Information for:

'Ln₂(OH)₅NO₃.xH₂O (Ln = Y, Gd – Lu) – A Novel Family of Anion Exchange

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Y₂(OH)₅NO₃.xH₂O

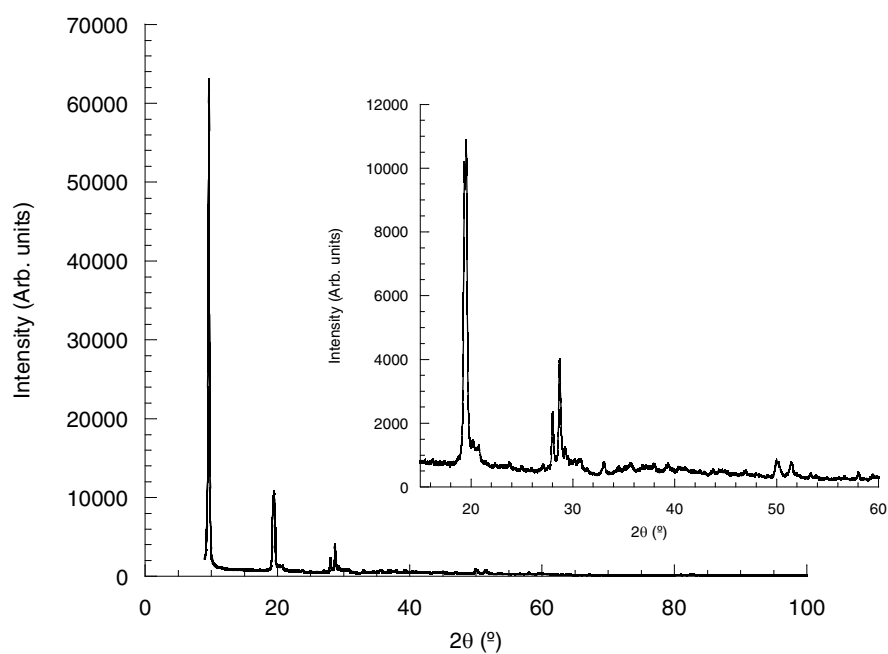


Figure S1 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of Y₂(OH)₅NO₃.xH₂O.

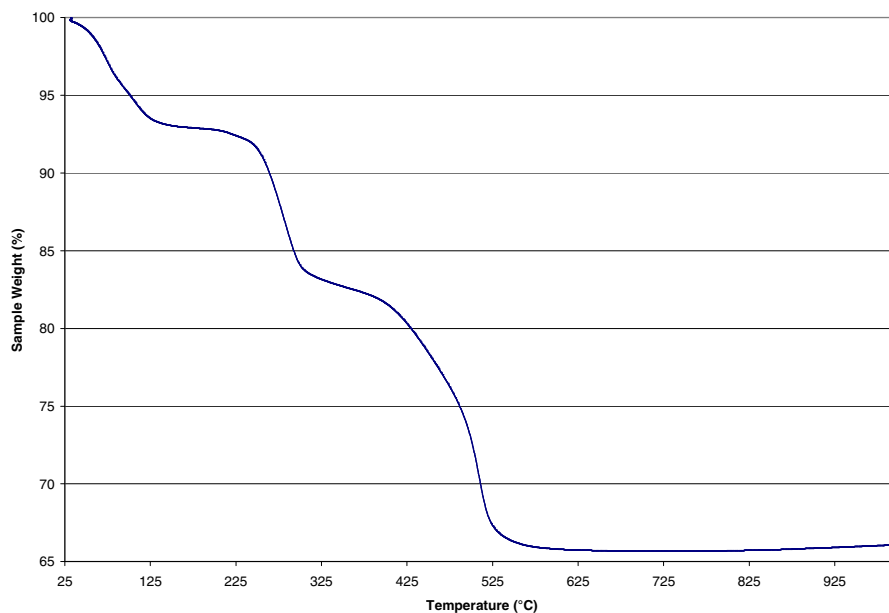


Figure S2 TGA trace for $\text{Y}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing mass losses of 6.86 % below 150 °C and further mass losses of 9.79 % by 350 °C and 17.28 % by 600 °C.

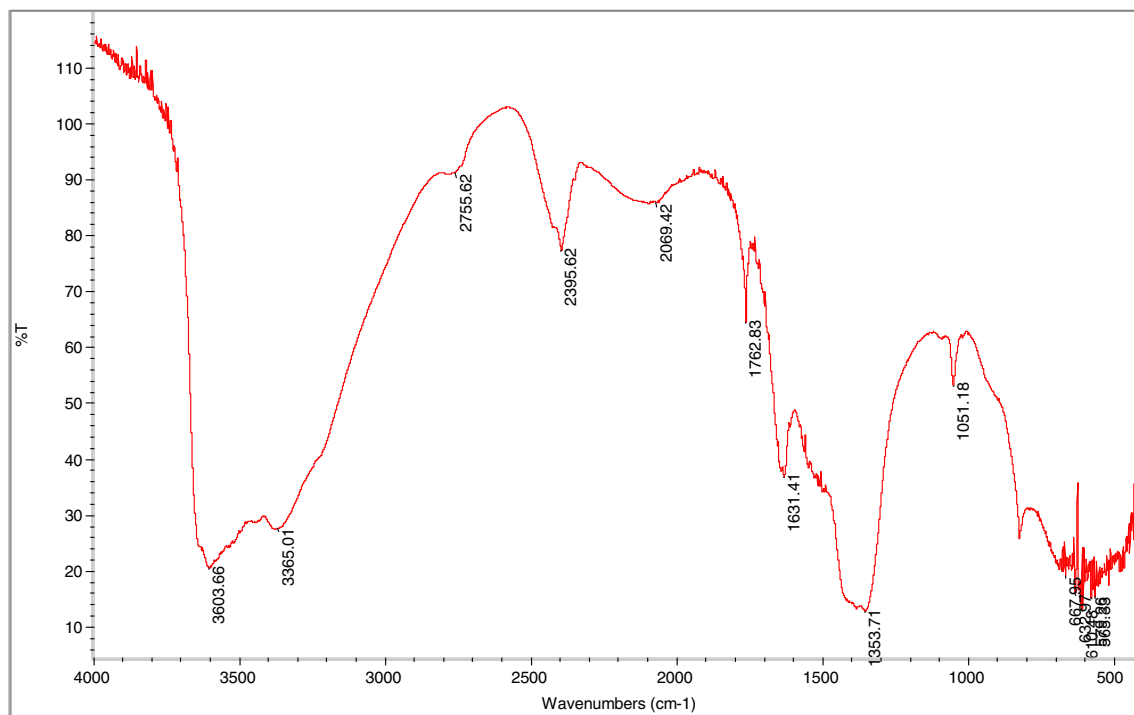


Figure S3 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Y}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and OH/ H_2O (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

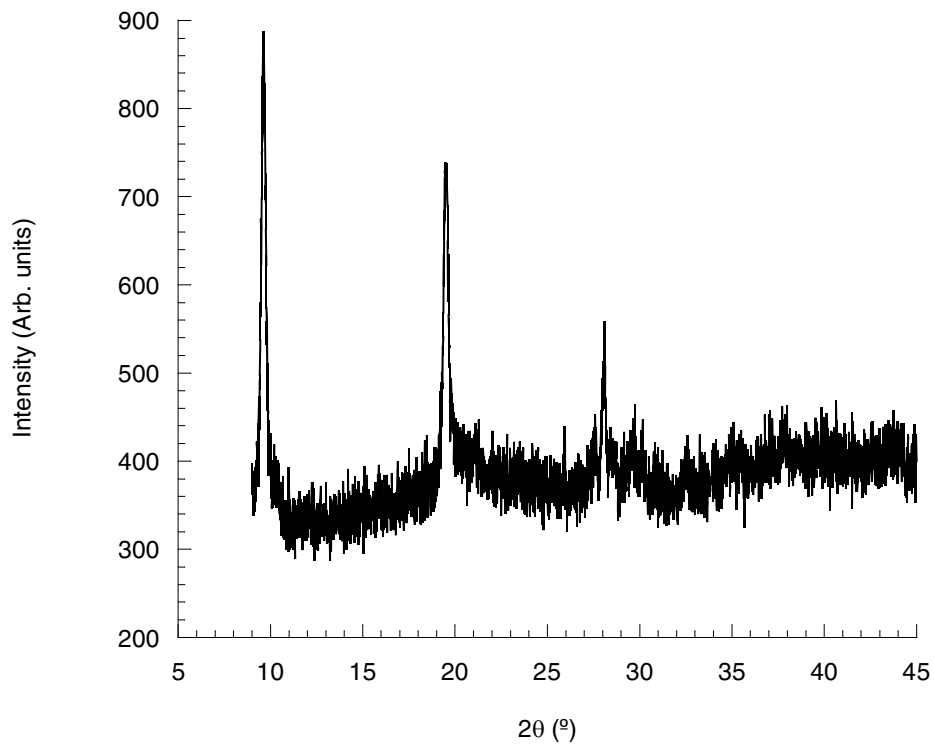


Figure S4 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Gd}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

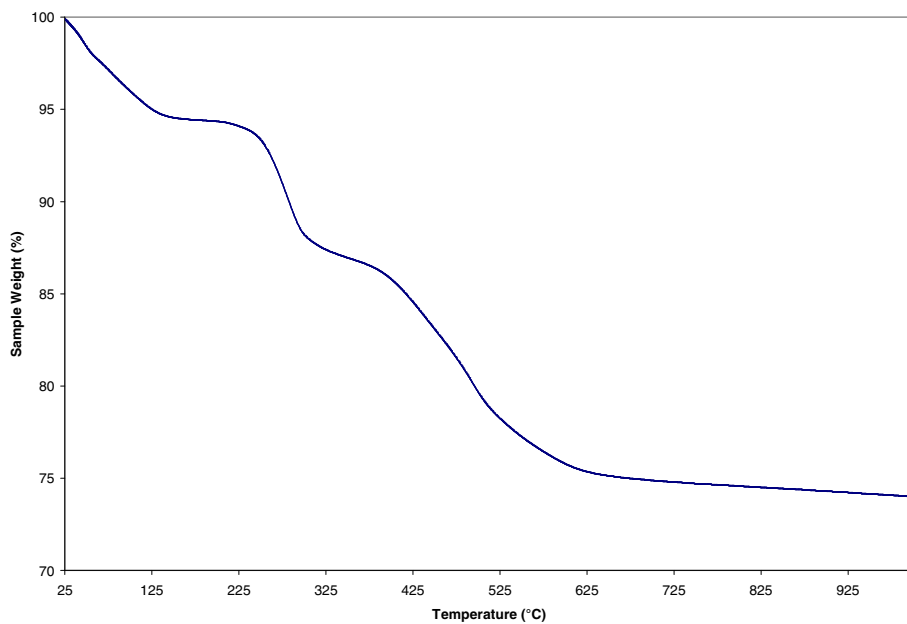


Figure S5 TGA trace for $\text{Gd}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing mass losses of 5.57 % below 170 °C and further mass losses of 7.51 % by 350 °C and 12.24 % by 750 °C.

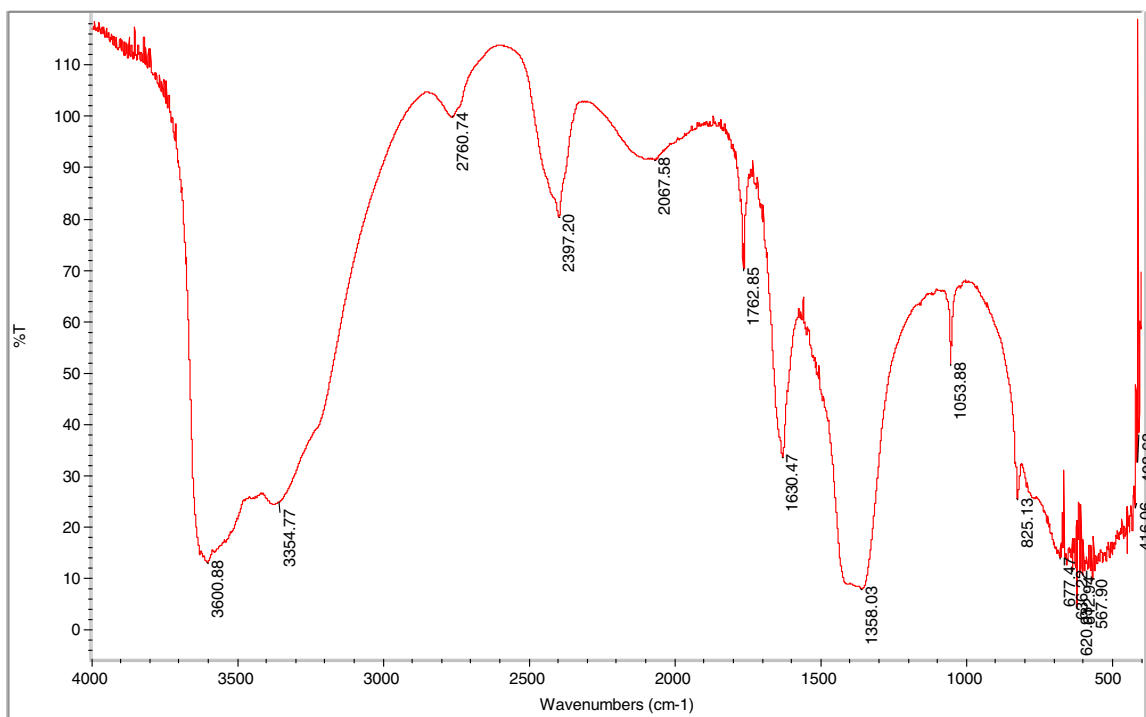


Figure S6 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Gd}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and $\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

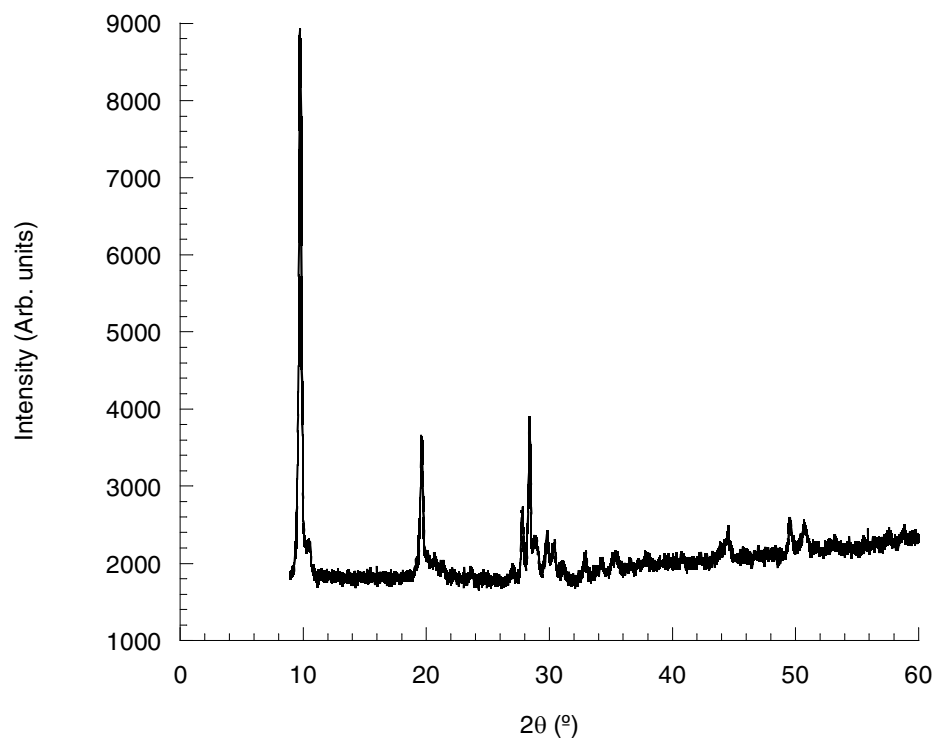


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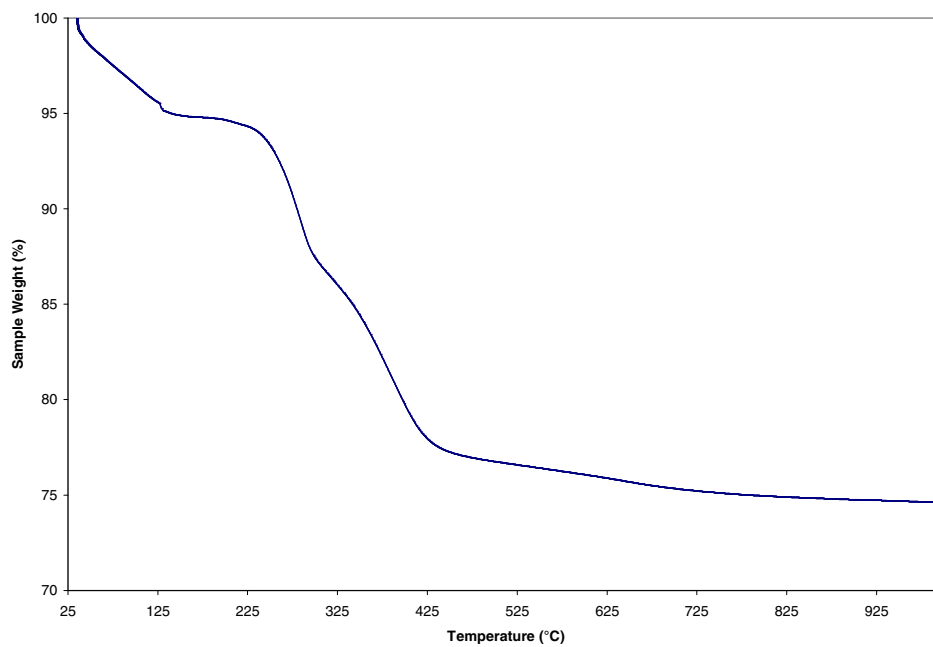


Figure S8 TGA trace for $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing mass losses of 5.20 % below 170 °C and further mass losses of 9.36 % by 350 °C and 10.69 % by 750 °C.

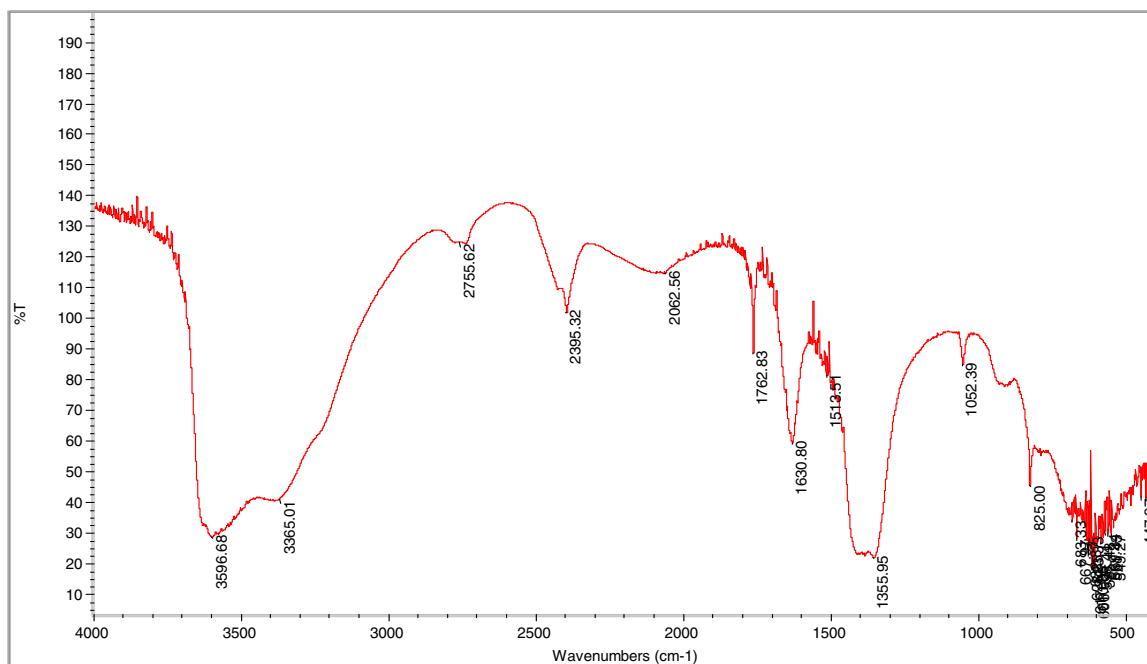


Figure S9 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and OH/ H_2O (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

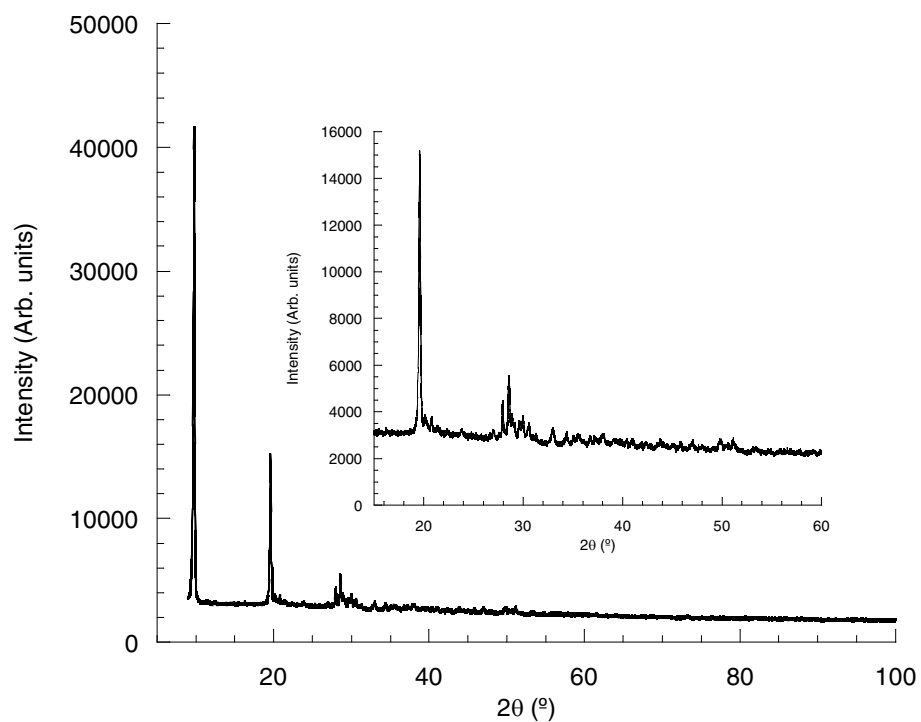
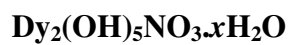


Figure S10 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of Dy₂(OH)₅NO₃.xH₂O.

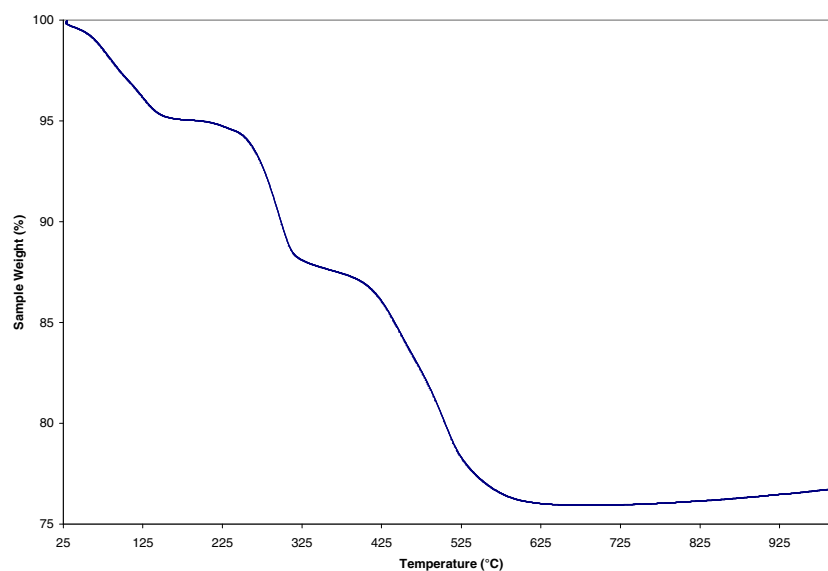


Figure S11 TGA trace for Dy₂(OH)₅NO₃.xH₂O showing mass losses of 4.95 % below 150 °C and further mass losses of 7.35 % by 350 °C and 11.77 % by 650 °C.

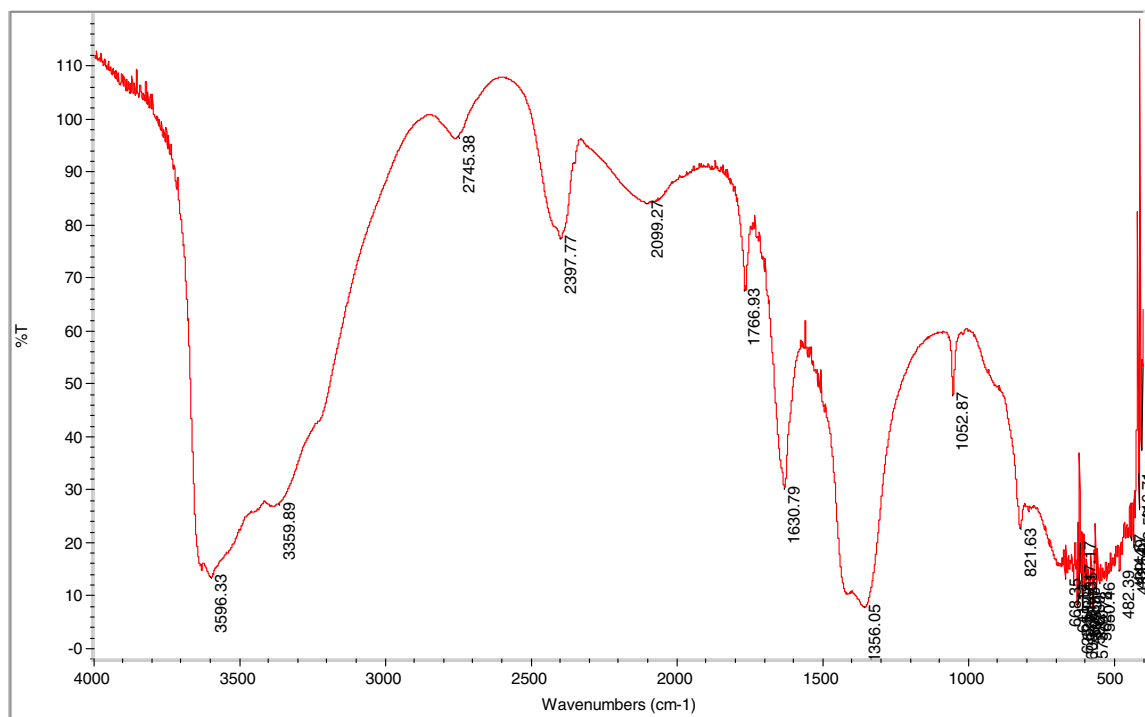


Figure S12 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and $\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

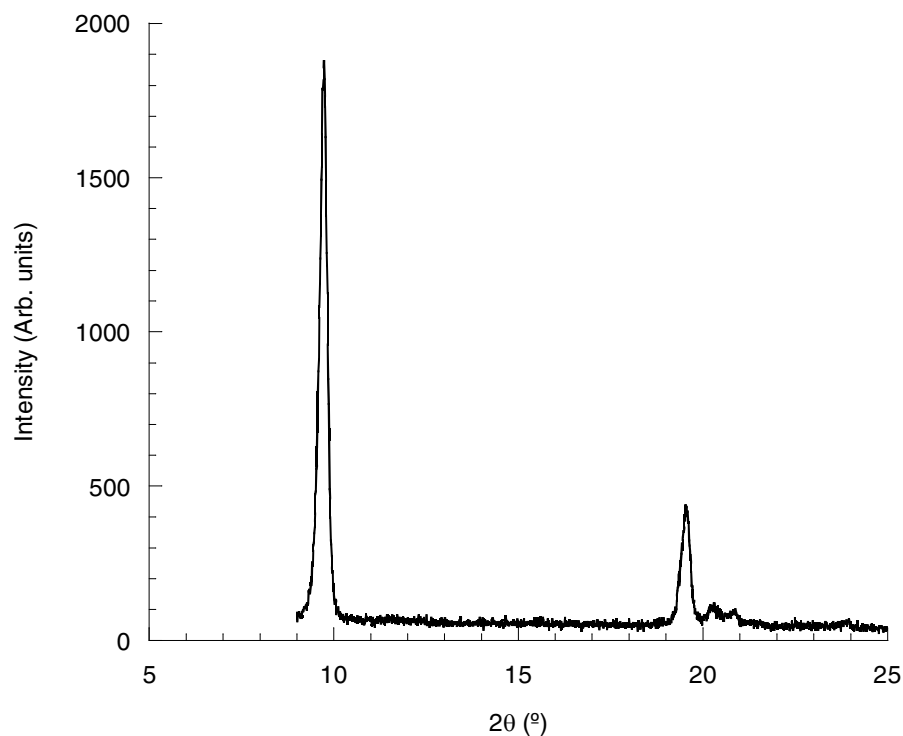


Figure S13 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

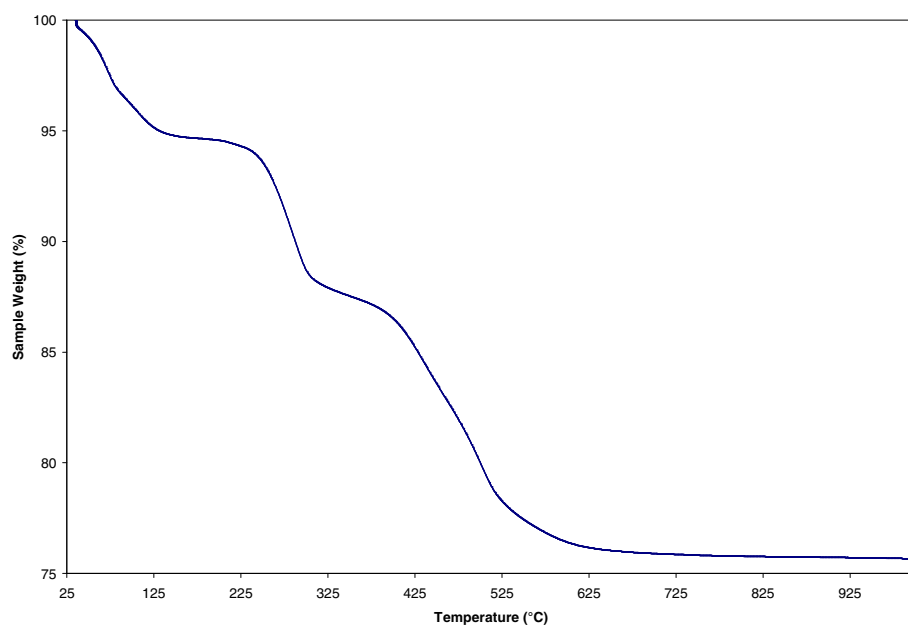


Figure S14 TGA trace for $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing mass losses of 5.34 % below 170 °C and further mass losses of 7.09 % by 350 °C and 11.67 % by 750 °C.

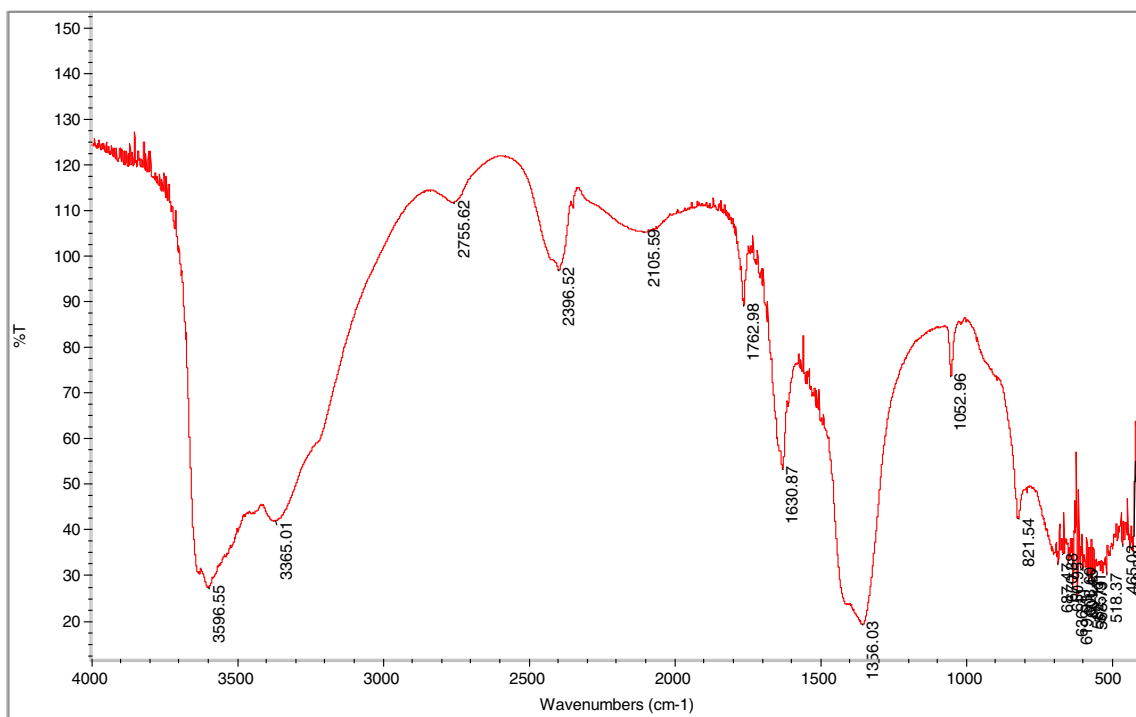


Figure S15 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and $\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

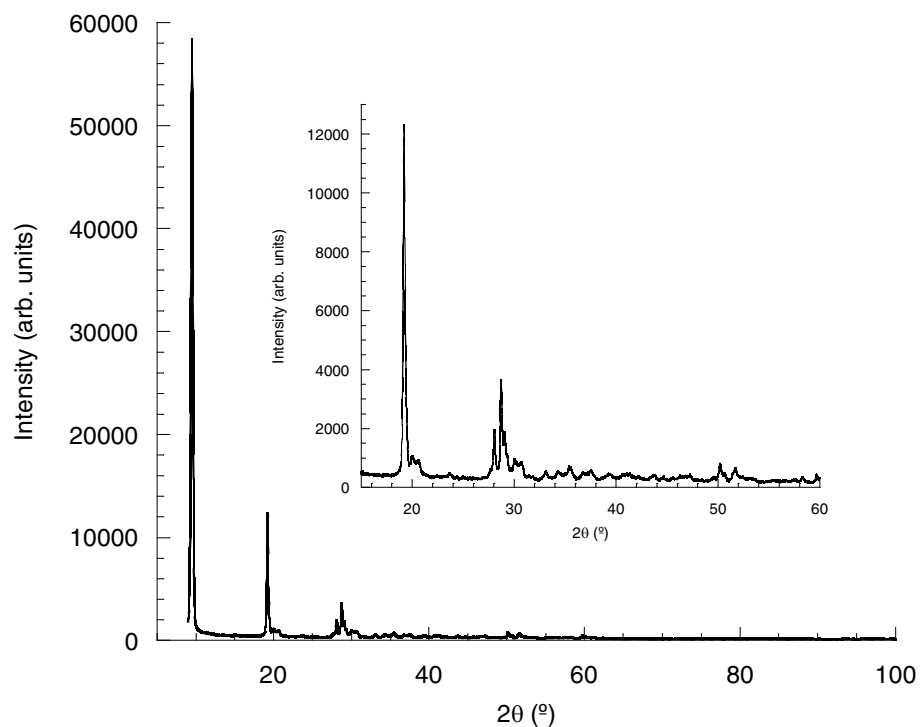


Figure S16 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

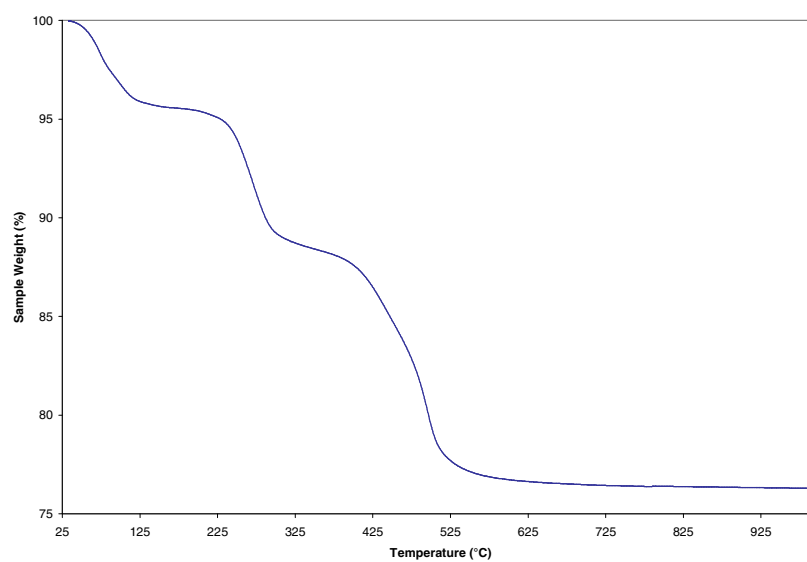


Figure S17 TGA trace for $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing mass losses of 4.35 % below 150 °C and further mass losses of 7.24 % by 350 °C and 11.68 % by 650 °C.

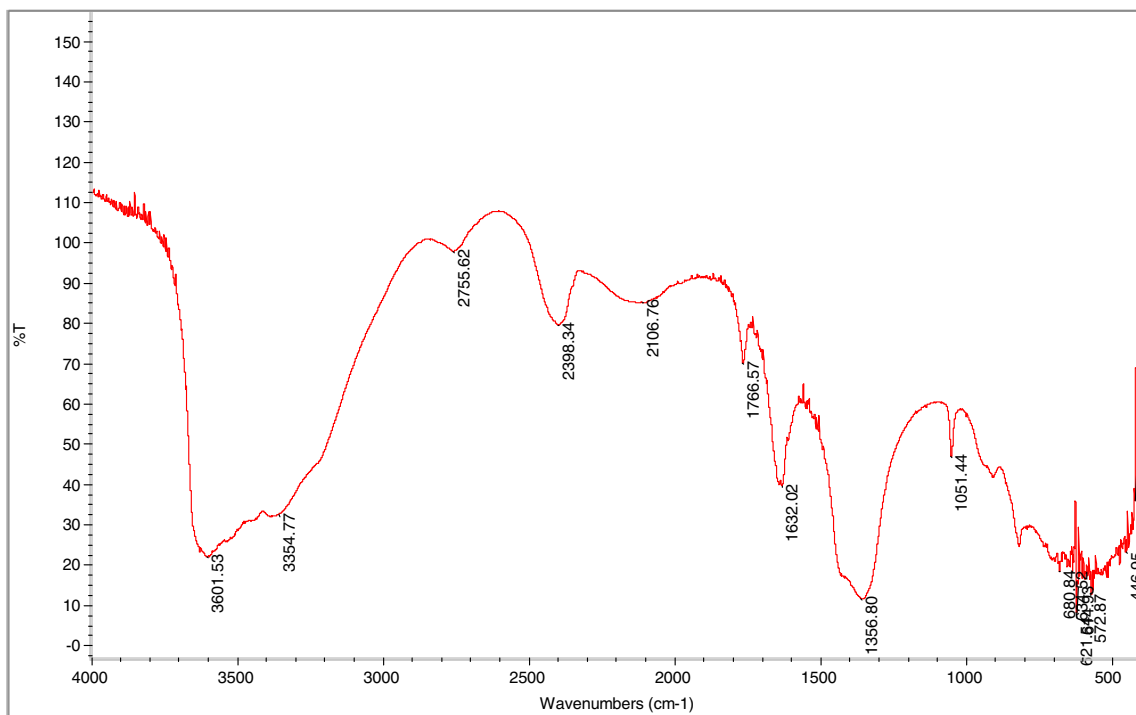


Figure S18 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and OH/ H_2O (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

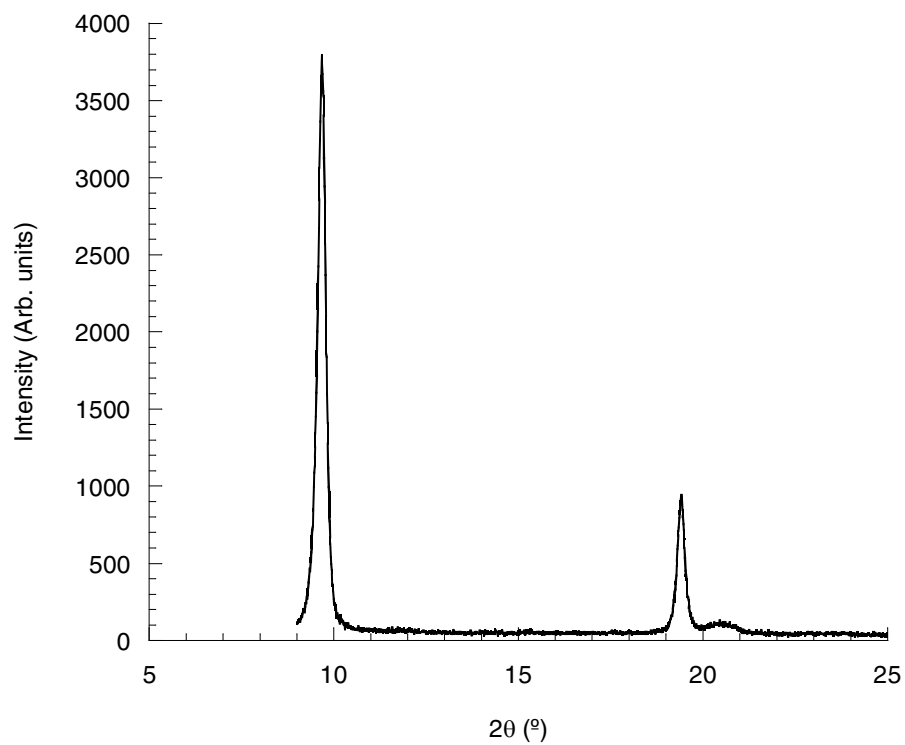
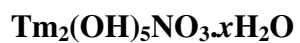


Figure S19 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

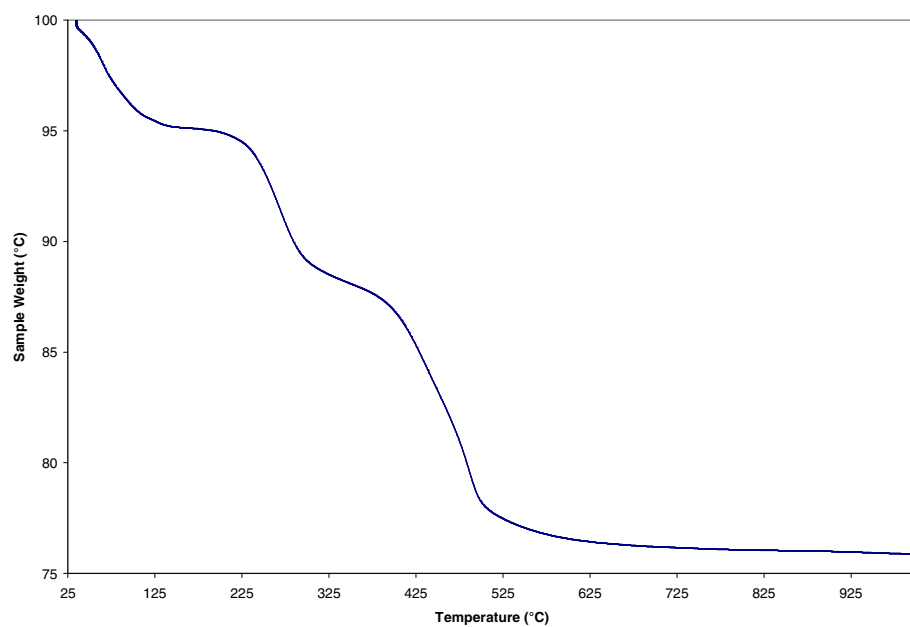


Figure S20 TGA trace for $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing mass losses of 4.84 % below 170 °C and further mass losses of 7.07 % by 350 °C and 11.84 % by 750 °C.

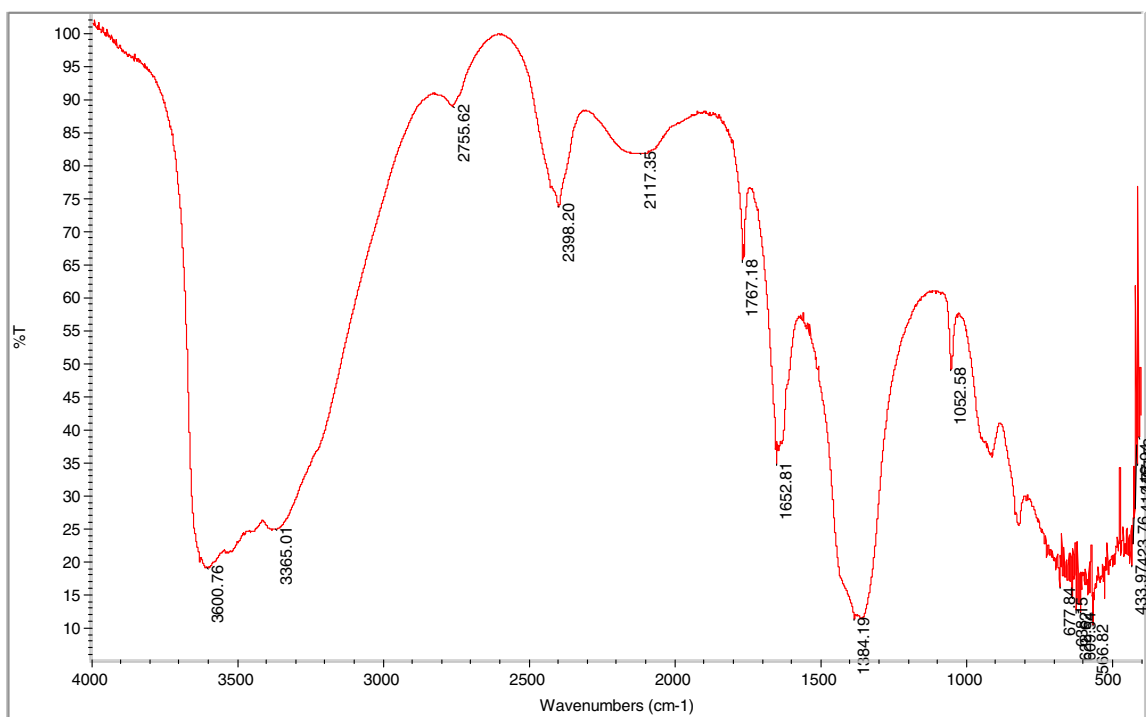


Figure S21 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to uncoordinated NO_3^- anions (1370 cm^{-1}) and OH/ H_2O (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

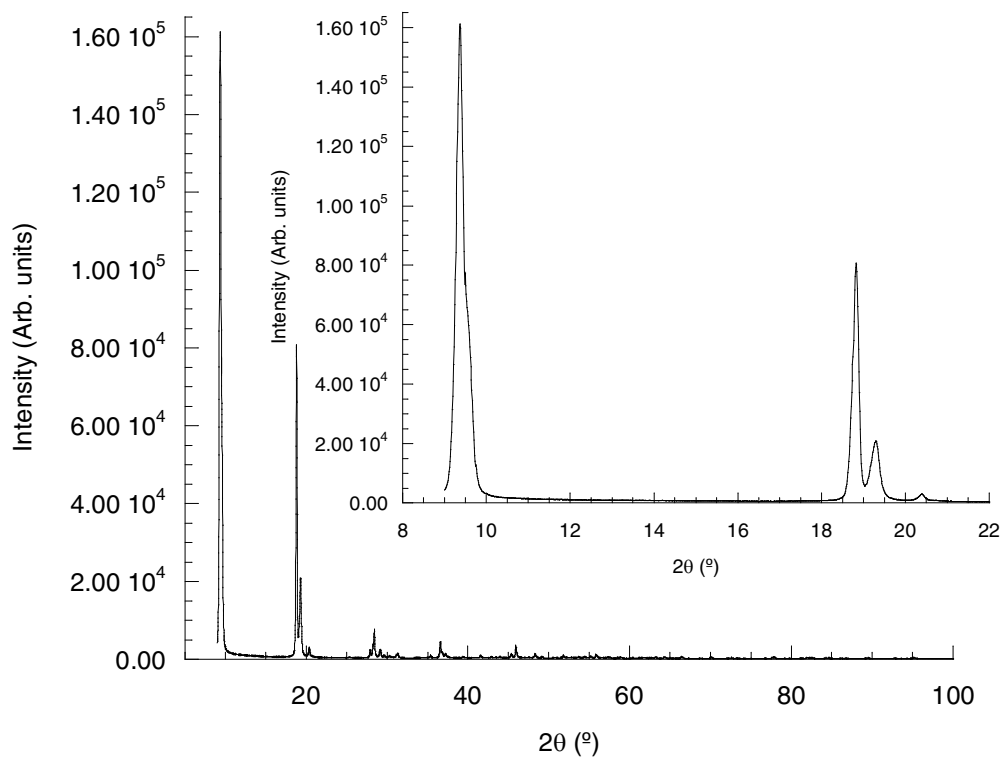
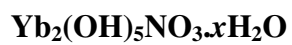


Figure S22 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Yb}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$. INSET: Expanded region showing the presence of a second phase.

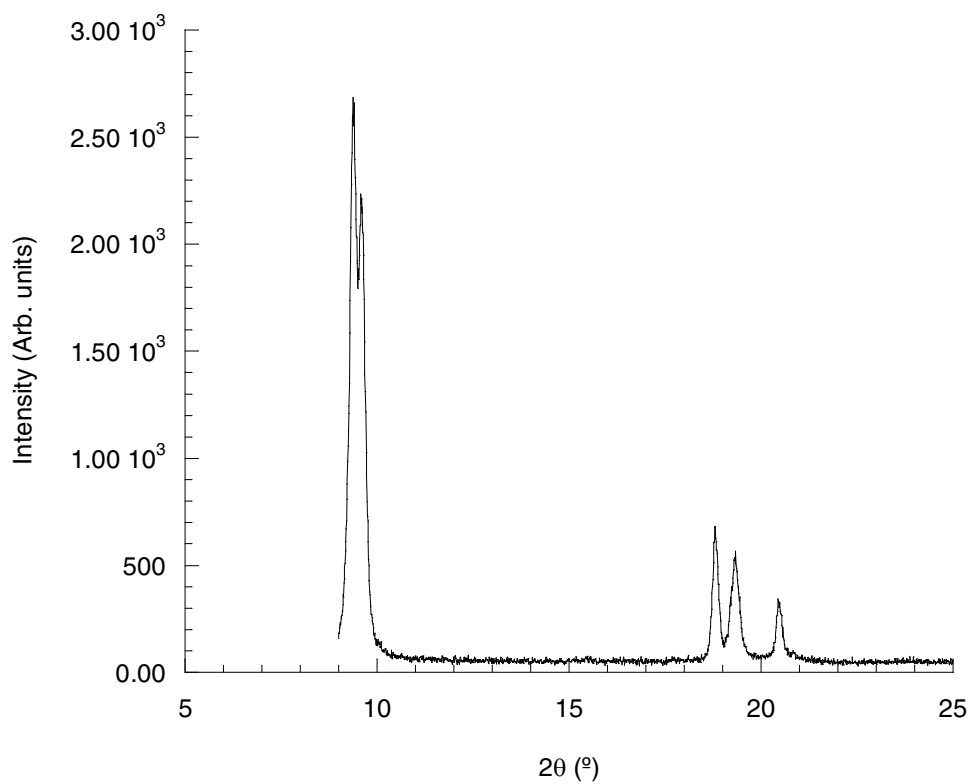
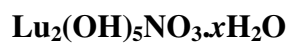


Figure S23 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of $\text{Lu}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing the presence of a second phase.

Anion Exchange Derivatives of $\text{Y}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

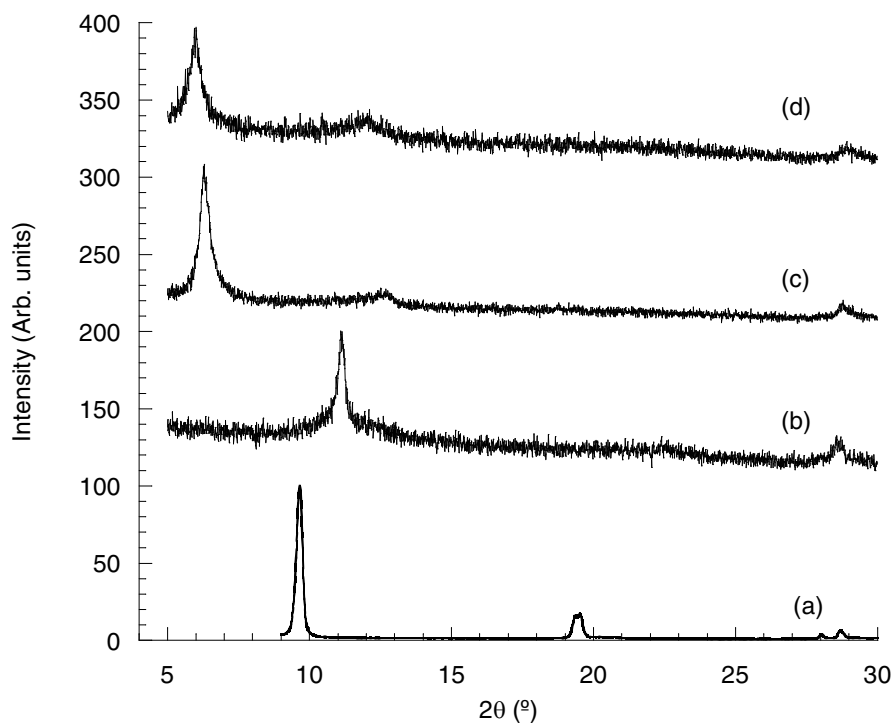


Figure S24 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) $\text{Y}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and the anion exchange derivatives with (b) oxalate, (c) phthalate and (d) suberate.

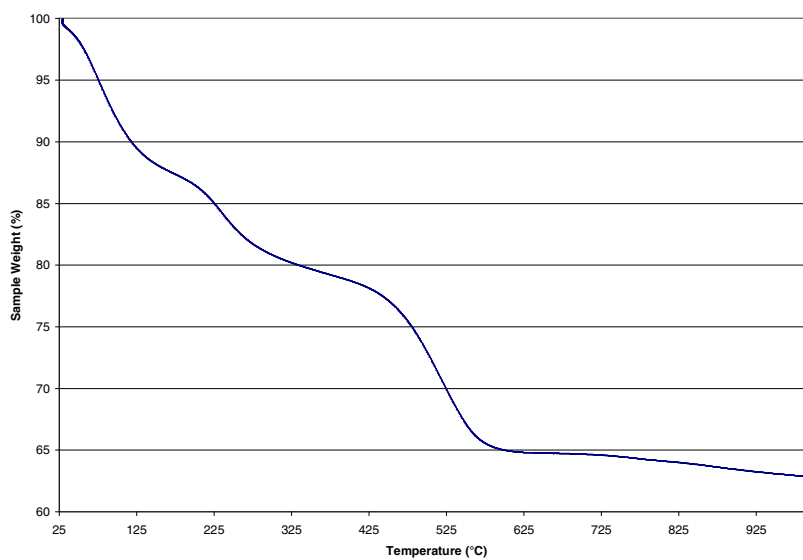


Figure S25 TGA trace for $\text{Y}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{o-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing a total mass loss of 37.14 % by 1000 °C.

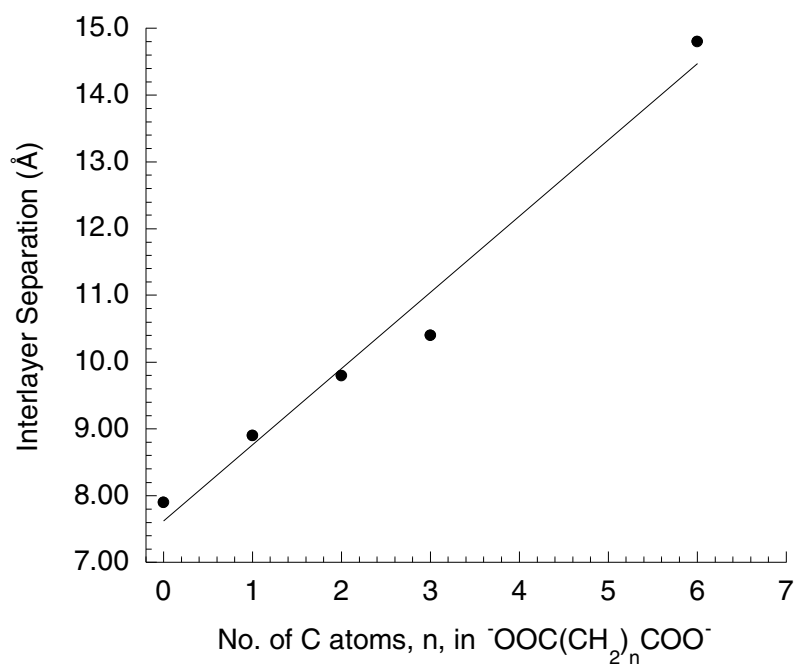


Figure S26 Plot of interlayer separation against number of CH_2 groups, n , in the aliphatic chain of some dicarboxylate intercalates, $\text{Y}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{OOC}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{COO})_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$. The gradient of the line is $1.14 \text{ \AA/C atom}$ indicating an orientation of approximately 64° .

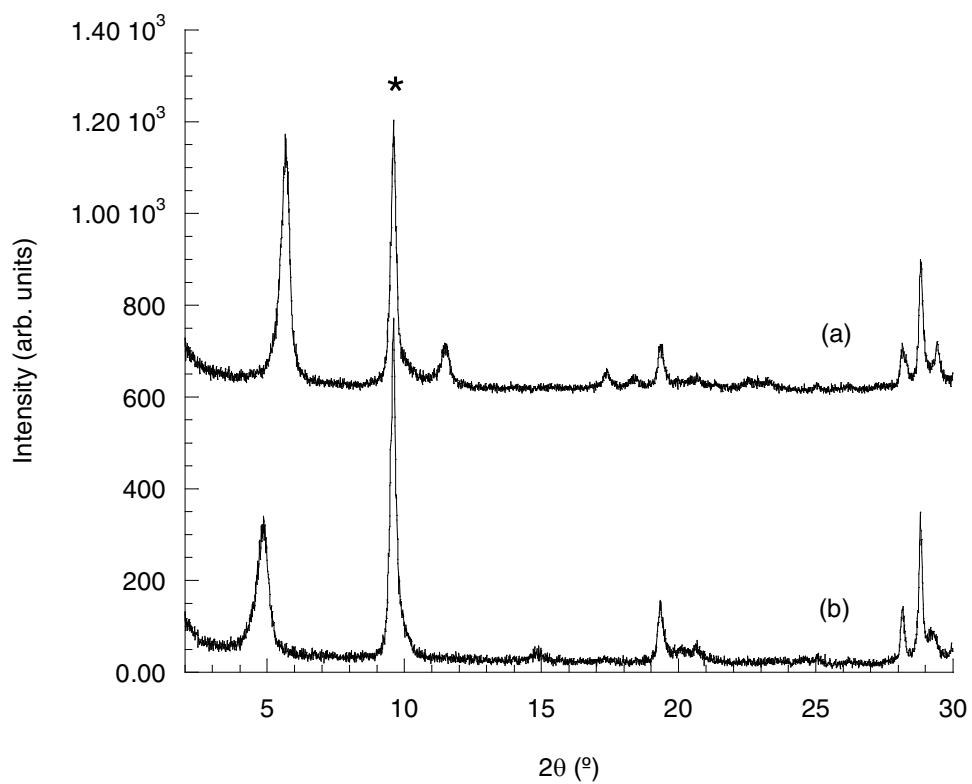


Figure S27 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of the anion exchange derivatives of $Y_2(OH)_5NO_3 \cdot xH_2O$ with (a) NDS and (b) AQDS. The asterisk (*) marks characteristic reflections of unreacted $Y_2(OH)_5NO_3 \cdot xH_2O$ in the products.

Table S1 Characterizing data for the organic anion exchange derivatives of $Y_2(OH)_5NO_3 \cdot xH_2O$.

A	Composition	Interlayer Separation (Å)	Elemental Analysis	
			Observed (%)	Calculated (%)
Maleate	$Y_2(OH)_5(cis-C_4H_2O_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5H_2O$	10.2	Y (51.00) C (6.84) H (2.57)	Y (51.25) C (6.92) H (2.62)
Fumarate	$Y_2(OH)_5(trans-C_4H_2O_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5H_2O$	9.6	Y (50.88) C (6.69) H (2.59)	Y (51.26) C (6.92) H (2.62)
Phthalate	$Y_2(OH)_5(o-C_8H_4O_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5H_2O$	14.0	Y (47.31) C (12.94) H (2.92)	Y (47.68) C (12.88) H (2.97)
Terephthalate	$Y_2(OH)_5(p-C_8H_4O_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5H_2O$	12.8	Y (47.29) C (12.78) H (2.93)	Y (47.68) C (12.88) H (2.97)
Oxalate	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_2O_4)_{0.5} \cdot H_2O$	7.9	Y (50.66) C (3.93) H (2.14)	Y (53.26) C (3.690) H (2.17)
Succinate	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_4H_4O_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5H_2O$	9.8	C (6.91) H (2.89)	C (6.90) H (2.88)
Glutarate	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_5H_6O_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5H_2O$	10.4	C (8.05) H (2.88)	C (8.46) H (3.12)
Suberate	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_8H_{12}O_4)_{0.5} \cdot H_2O$	14.8	C (13.96) H (3.48)	C (13.09) H (3.57)
Decylsulfonate	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_{10}H_{21}SO_4) \cdot H_2O$	23.8	C (21.70) H (5.39)	C (22.78) H (5.54)
NDS	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_{10}H_6(SO_3)_2)_{0.28}(NO_3)_{0.44}(H_2O)_{1.5}$	15.6	C (8.20) H (2.31)	C (8.46) H (2.46)
AQDS	$Y_2(OH)_5(C_{14}H_6O_2(SO_3)_2)_{0.31}(NO_3)_{0.38}(H_2O)_{1.5}$	18.2	C (12.05) H (2.26)	C (12.21) H (2.33)

Anion Exchange Derivatives of $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

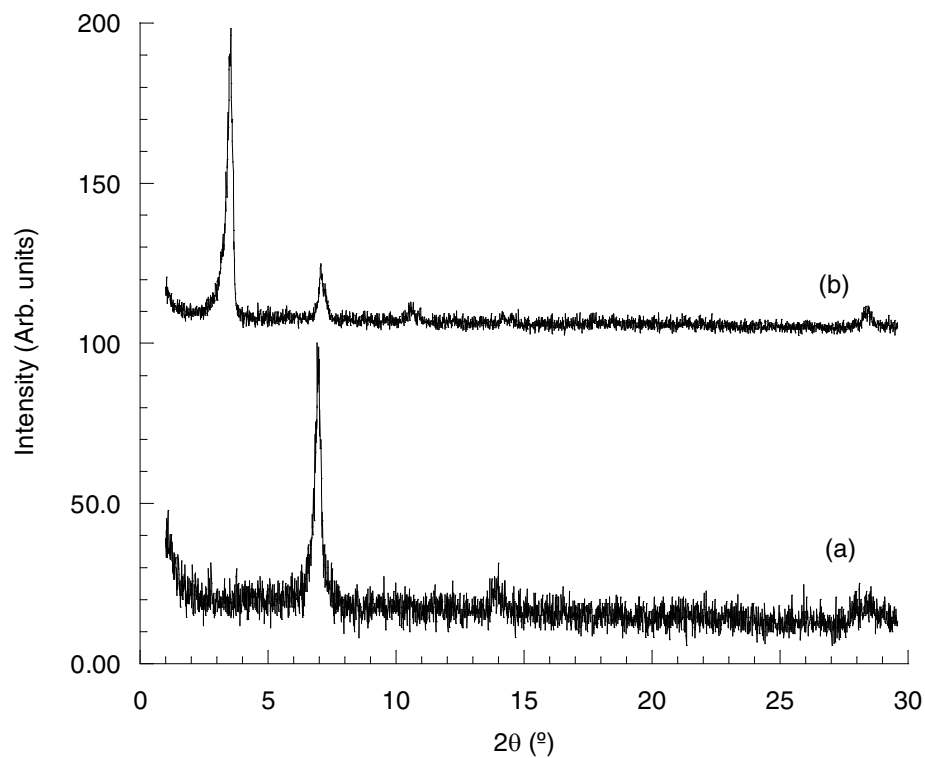


Figure S28 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{p-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and (b) $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

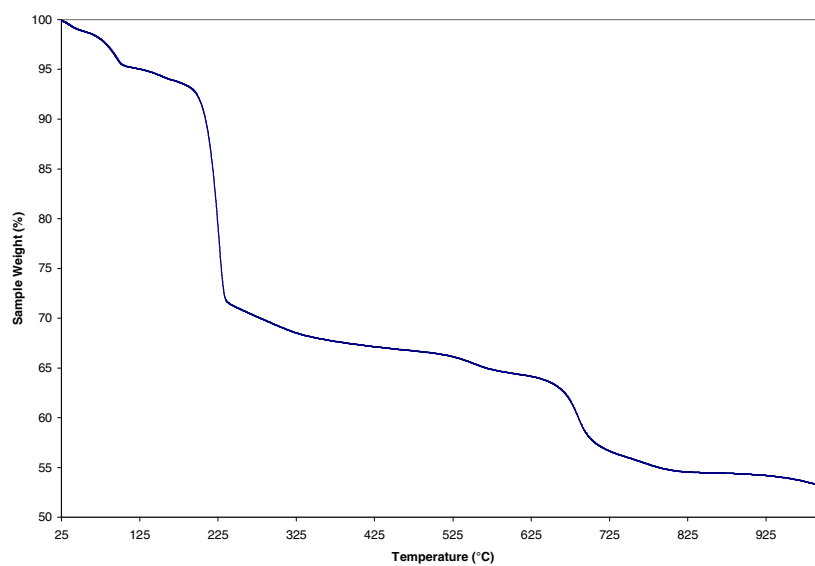


Figure S29 TGA trace for $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4) \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing a total mass loss of 45.64 % by 900 $^\circ\text{C}$.

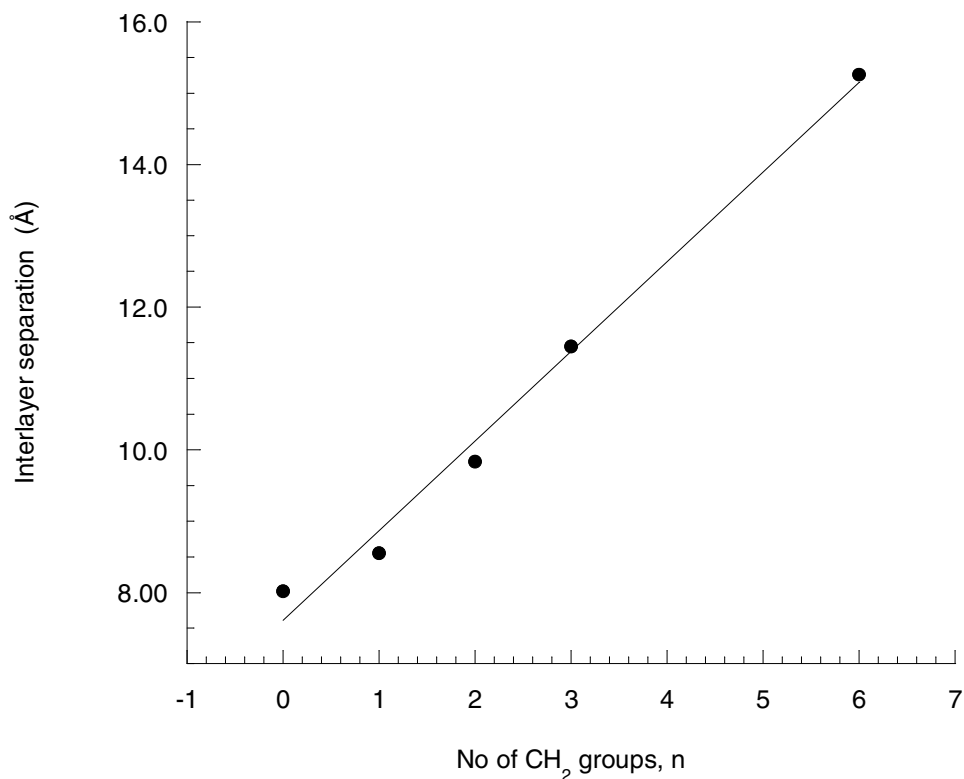


Figure S30 Plot of interlayer separation against number of CH₂ groups, n, in the aliphatic chain of some dicarboxylate intercalates, $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{OOC}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{COO})_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$. The gradient of the line is 1.25 Å/C atom indicating an orientation of approximately 82 °.

Table S3 Characterizing data for the organic anion exchange derivatives of $\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

A	Composition	Interlayer Seperation (Å)	Elemental Analysis	
			Observed (%)	Calculated (%)
Nitrate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{NO}_3) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.06	Tb (62.66) N (2.55) H (1.53)	Tb (64.61) N (2.85) H (1.64)
Phthalate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(o\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	12.71	Tb (58.78) C (10.00) H (1.88)	Tb (61.96) C (9.37) H (2.16)
Terephthalate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(p\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	12.90	Tb (59.13) C (10.37) H (1.85)	Tb (61.96) C (9.37) H (2.16)
Oxalate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	8.02	C (3.09) H (1.48)	C (2.53) H (1.70)
Malonate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	8.55	C (4.08) H (1.55)	C (3.75) H (1.89)
Succinate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.83	C (4.99) H (1.69)	C (4.92) H (1.89)
Glutarate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	11.45	C (6.34) H (2.08)	C (6.07) H (2.24)
Suberate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	15.26	C (10.23) H (2.58)	C (9.31) H (2.73)
Decylsulfate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	23.42	Tb (46.23) C (17.21) H (4.28)	Tb (47.64) C (18.00) H (4.38)
Dodecylsulfate	$\text{Tb}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	25.23	Tb (44.05) C (18.92) H (4.42)	Tb (45.71) C (20.73) H (4.78)

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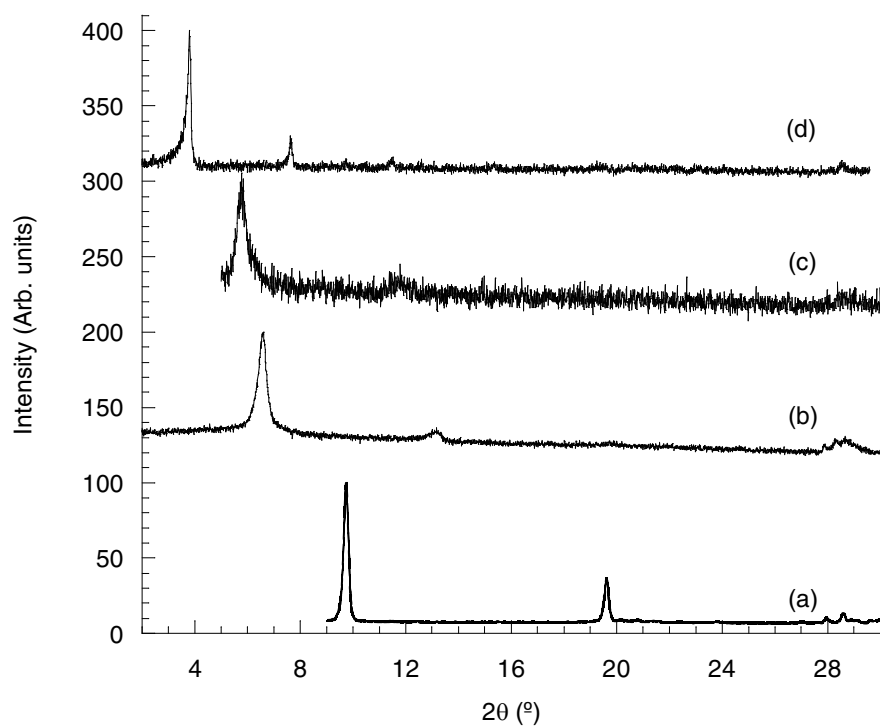


Figure S31 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) $\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and the organic anion exchange derivatives with (b) phthalate, (c) suberate and (d) decylsulfonate.

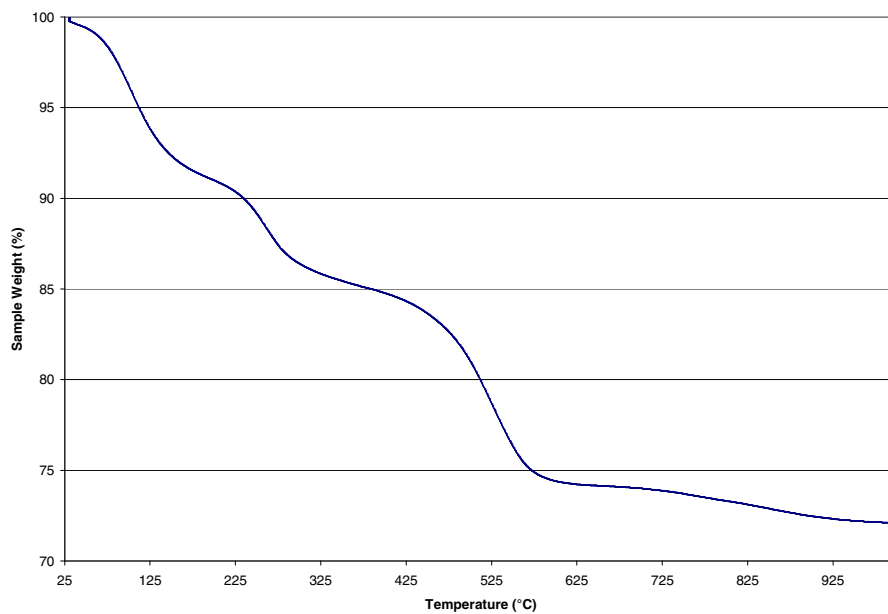


Figure S32 TGA trace for $\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{o-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4) \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing a total mass loss of 27.85 % by 1000 °C.

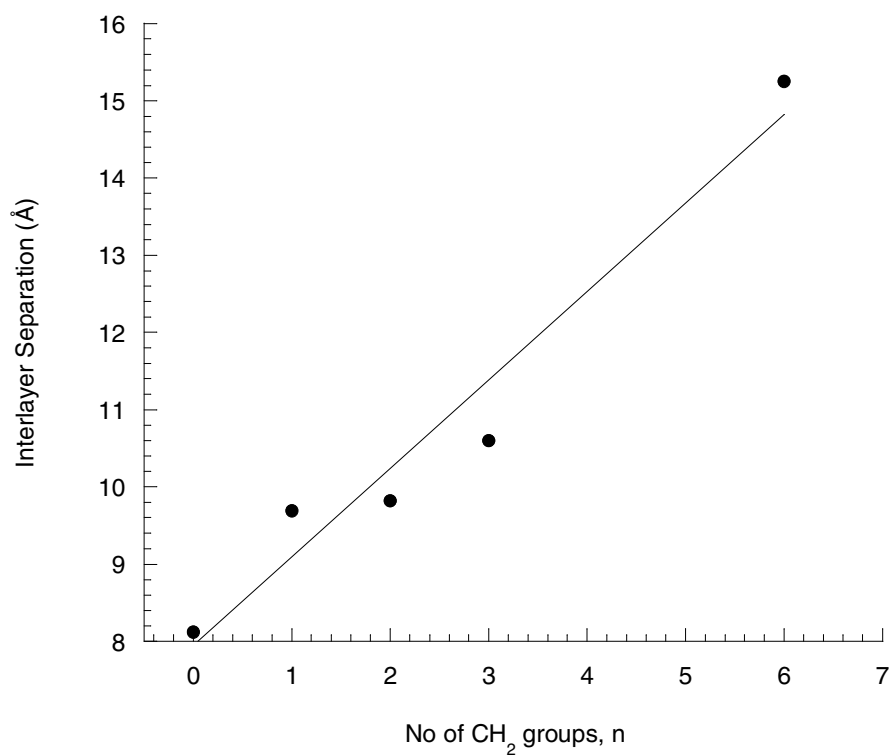


Figure S33 Plot of interlayer separation against number of CH₂ groups, n, in the aliphatic chain of some dicarboxylate intercalates, Dy₂(OH)₅(OOC(CH₂)_nCOO)_{0.5}.xH₂O. The gradient of the line is 1.14 Å/C atom indicating an orientation of approximately 64 °.

Table S4 Characterizing data for the organic anion exchange derivatives of $\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

A	Composition	Interlayer Seperation (Å)	Elemental Analysis	
			Observed (%)	Calculated (%)
Nitrate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{NO}_3) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.08	Dy (62.71) N (3.00) H (1.55)	Dy (65.12) N (2.81) H (1.65)
Maleate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{cis-C}_4\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	11.33	Dy (60.77) C (5.20) H (1.78)	Dy (65.78) C (4.86) H (1.83)
Fumarate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{trans-C}_4\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.425}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.15} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.59	Dy (64.40) C (3.93) H (1.78) N (0.40)	Dy (65.78) C (4.13) H (1.80) N (0.42)
Phthalate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(o\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	13.47	Dy (61.77) C (9.48) H (1.91)	Dy (62.48) C (9.24) H (2.13)
Terephthalate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(p\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	12.83	Dy (59.80) C (10.09) H (2.00)	Dy (62.48) C (9.24) H (2.13)
Oxalate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	8.12	C (3.09) H (1.31)	C (2.50) H (1.68)
Malonate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.69	Dy (65.79) C (3.43) H (1.77)	Dy (66.59) C (3.69) H (1.86)
Succinate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.425}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.15} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.82	Dy (63.87) C (3.92) H (1.93) N (0.47)	Dy (65.64) C (4.11) H (1.97) N (0.42)
Glutarate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	10.60	Dy (64.04) C (5.69) H (1.94)	Dy (64.73) C (5.98) H (2.21)
Suberate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	15.25	Dy (59.59) C (10.53) H (2.44)	Dy (62.12) C (9.18) H (2.70)
Decylsulfate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	23.44	Dy (47.81) C (17.38) H (3.93)	Dy (46.27) C (20.52) H (4.74)
Dodecylsulfate	$\text{Dy}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	25.93	Dy (46.99) C (18.81) H (4.39)	Dy (46.27) C (20.52) H (4.74)

Anion Exchange Derivatives of $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

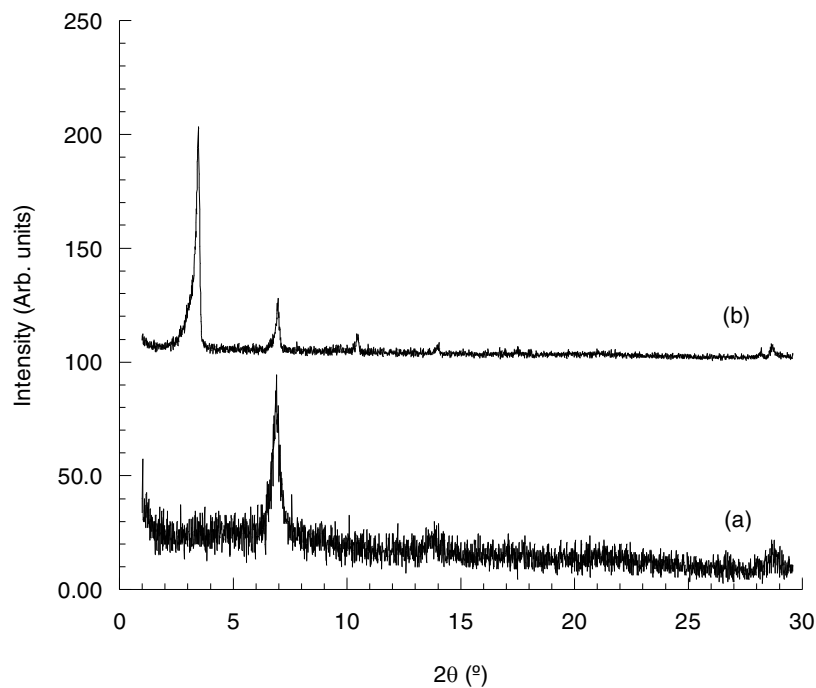


Figure S34 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{p-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and (b) $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$

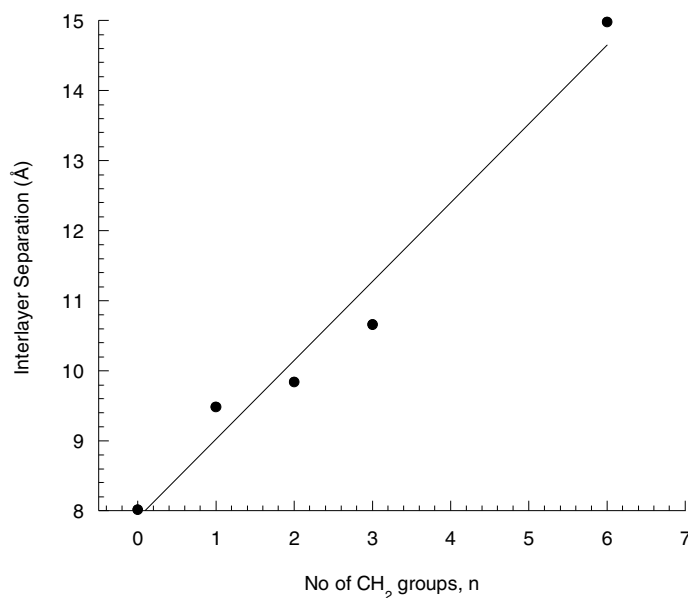


Figure S35 Plot of interlayer separation against number of CH_2 groups, n , in the aliphatic chain of some dicarboxylate intercalates, $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{OOC}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{COO})_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$. The gradient of the line is $1.13 \text{ \AA/C atom}$ indicating an orientation of approximately 62° .

Table S5 Characterizing data for the organic anion exchange derivatives of $\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

A	Composition	Interlayer Seperation (Å)	Elemental Analysis	
			Observed (%)	Calculated (%)
Nitrate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{NO}_3) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.10	Ho ()	Ho (65.46)
			N (2.98)	N (2.78)
			H (1.39)	H (1.60)
Phthalate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(o\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	12.83	Ho (59.99)	Ho (62.83)
			C (9.90)	C (9.15)
			H (1.84)	H (2.11)
Terephthalate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(p\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	13.68	Ho (59.63)	Ho (62.83)
			C (10.71)	C (9.15)
			H (1.99)	H (2.11)
Oxalate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	8.02	Ho ()	Ho (67.88)
			C (3.08)	C (2.47)
			H (1.37)	H (1.66)
Malonate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	11.17	Ho ()	Ho (66.92)
			C (3.87)	C (3.65)
			H (1.62)	H (1.84)
Succinate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	11.71/9.84	Ho ()	Ho (65.98)
			C (4.70)	C (4.80)
			H (1.90)	H (2.02)
Glutarate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	10.66	Ho ()	Ho (65.07)
			C (5.75)	C (5.92)
			H (1.98)	H (2.19)
Suberate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	14.98	Ho ()	Ho (62.47)
			C (9.61)	C (9.10)
			H (2.42)	H (2.67)
Decylsulfate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	23.54	Ho (46.70)	Ho (48.56)
			C (16.93)	C (17.68)
			H (4.13)	H (4.30)
Dodecylsulfate	$\text{Ho}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	25.84	Ho (44.83)	Ho (46.64)
			C (18.41)	C (20.38)
			H (4.35)	H (4.70)

Anion Exchange Derivatives of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

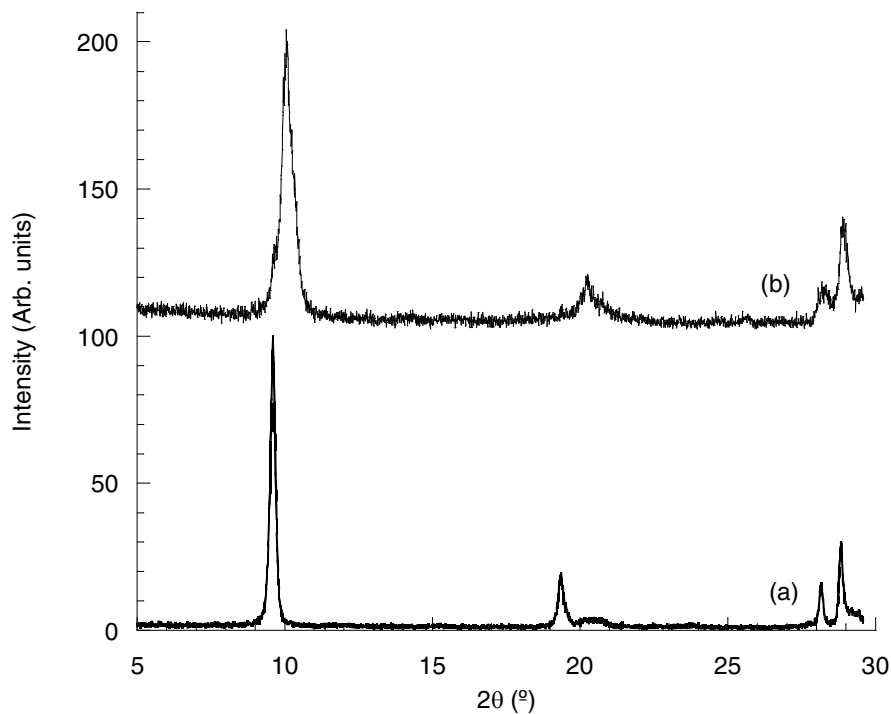


Figure S36 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and the anion exchange product with (b) sulphate (interlayer separation $8.8 \text{ \AA}$).

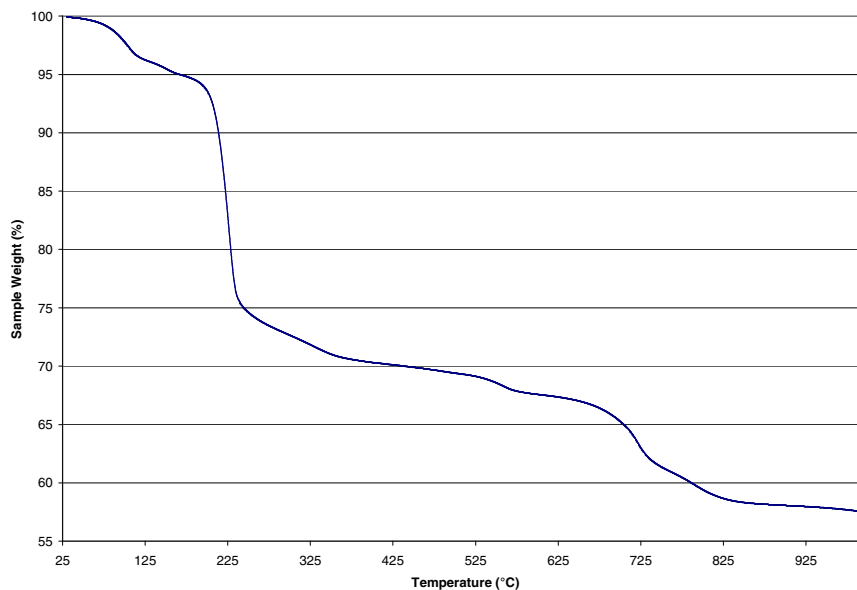


Figure S37 TGA trace for $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{SO}_4) \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing a total mass loss of 42.53 % by 1000°C .

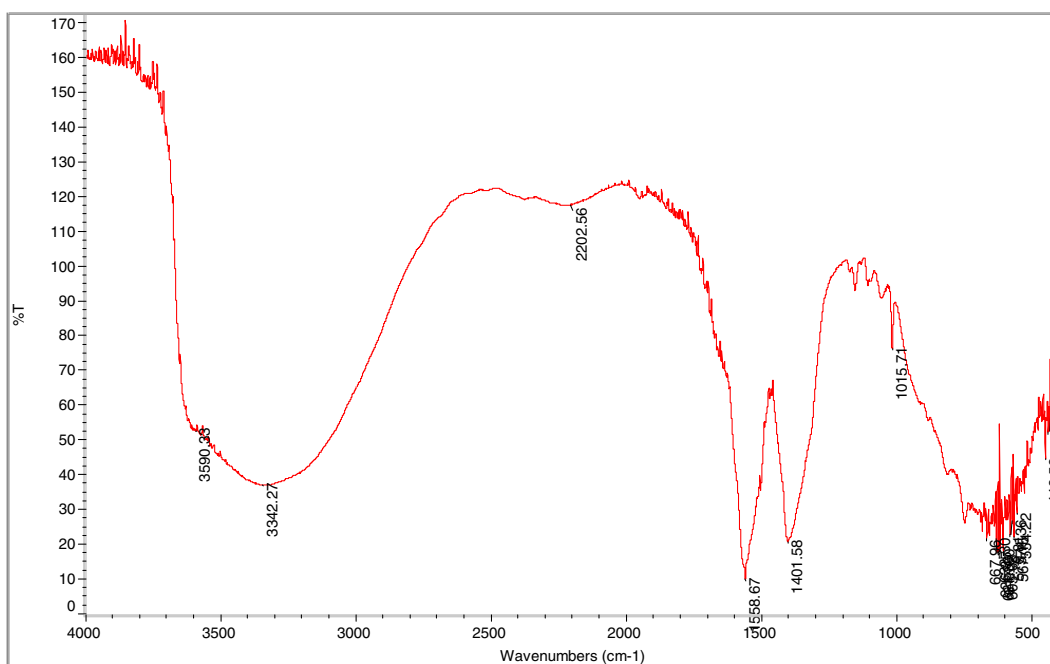


Figure S38 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to the carbonyl stretch of uncoordinated terephthalate anions (1560 and 1400 cm^{-1}) and $\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

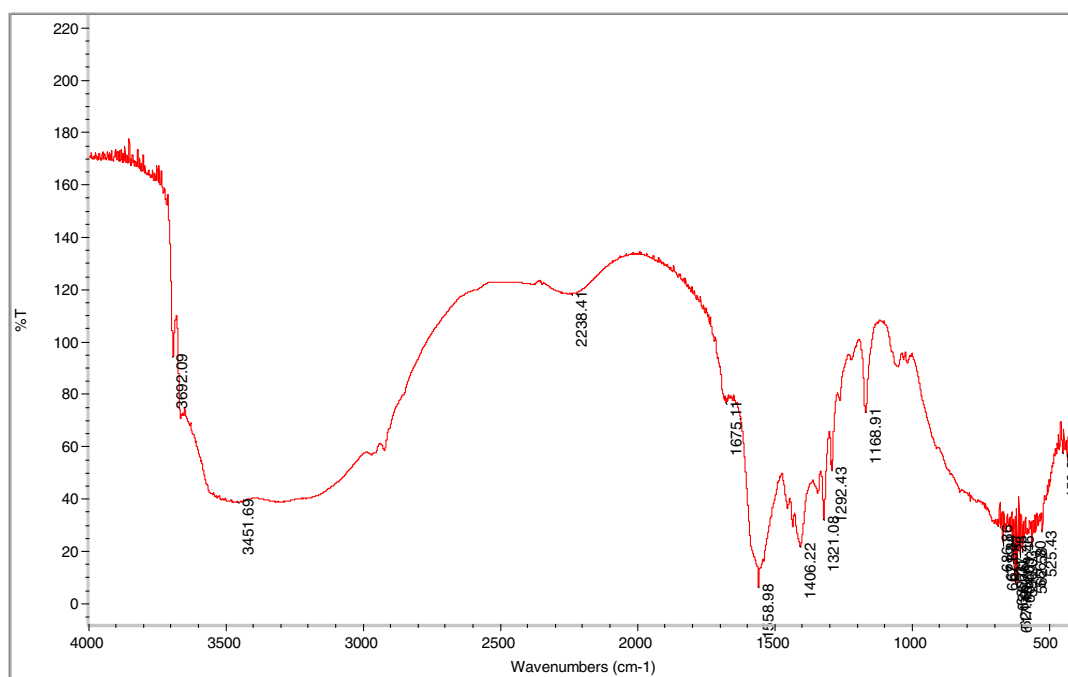


Figure S39 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to the carbonyl stretch of uncoordinated glutarate anions (1560 and 1400 cm^{-1}) and $\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}).

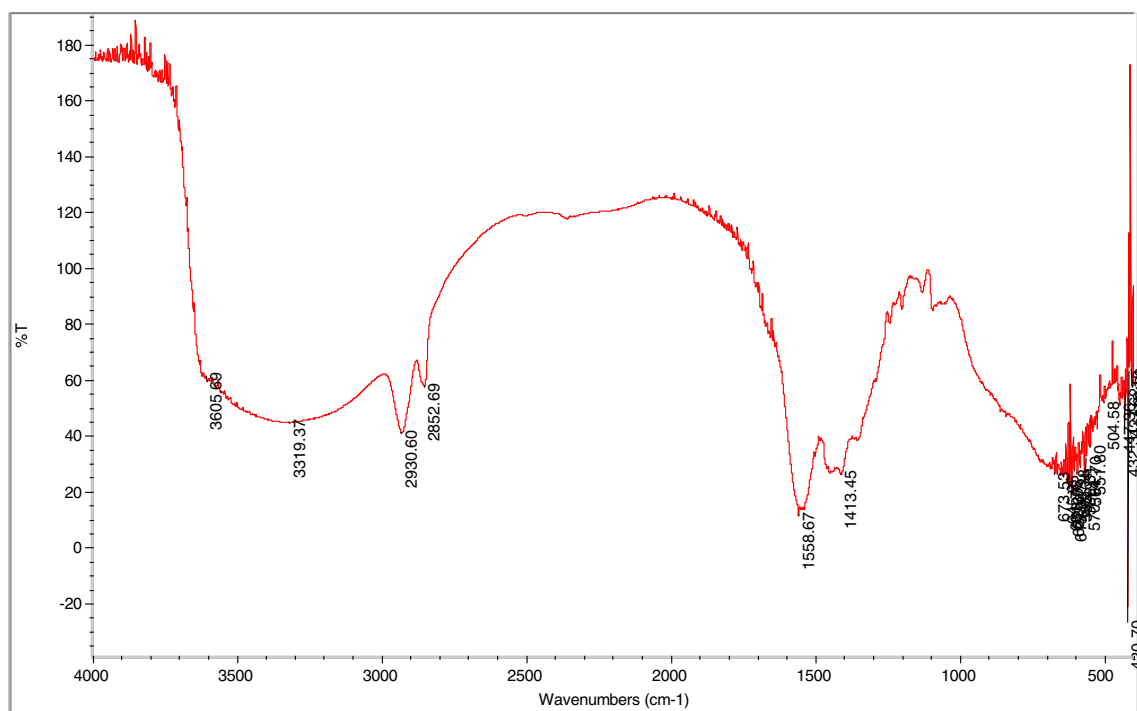


Figure S40 FTIR spectrum of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$ showing bands due to the carbonyl stretch of uncoordinated suberate anions (1560 and 1400 cm^{-1}) and $\text{OH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (approx. 3500 cm^{-1}) and C-H stretches between $2800\text{--}3000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$.

Table S6 Characterizing data for the organic anion exchange derivatives of $\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

A	Composition	Interlayer Seperation (Å)	Elemental Analysis	
			Observed (%)	Calculated (%)
Nitrate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{NO}_3) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.31	Er (65.20) N (2.82) H (1.54)	Er (65.77) N (2.75) H (1.59)
Maleate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{cis-C}_4\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.38	Er (65.35) C (4.93) H (1.76)	Er (66.42) C (4.77) H (1.80)
Fumarate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{trans-C}_4\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.63	Er (65.90) C (4.66) H (1.78)	Er (66.42) C (4.77) H (1.80)
Terephthalate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(p\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	13.07	Er (58.87) C (9.42) H (2.06)	Er (63.06) C (9.07) H (2.09)
Phthalate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(o\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	14.01	Er (62.72) C (8.99) H (2.08)	Er (63.16) C (9.07) H (2.09)
Oxalate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.45}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.1} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	7.98	C (2.26) H (1.41) N (0.29)	C (2.19) H (1.64) N (0.28)
Malonate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.475}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.05} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.86	C (3.79) H (1.46) N (0.12)	C (3.44) H (1.81) N (0.14)
Succinate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.84	Er (66.07) C (4.68) H (1.98)	Er (66.29) C (4.76) H (2.00)
Glutarate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	10.45	Er (63.68) C (6.00) H (2.21)	Er (65.38) C (5.87) H (2.17)
Suberate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	14.83	Er (60.80) C (10.12) H (2.52)	Er (62.80) C (9.02) H (2.65)
NDS	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_6(\text{SO}_3)_2)_{0.28}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.44} \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	15.6	Er (57.19) C (4.69) H (1.64) N (0.73)	Er (57.57) C (5.78) H (2.19) N (1.06)
AQDS	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_6\text{O}_2(\text{SO}_3)_2)_{0.22}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.54} \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$	18.2	Er (55.46) C (5.14) H (1.63) N (1.10)	Er (56.74) C (6.27) H (2.10) N (1.35)
Decylsulfate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	23.95	Er (50.37) C (16.99) H (4.20)	Er (48.91) C (17.56) H (4.27)
Dodecylsulfate	$\text{Er}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	30.10	Er (47.40) C (18.78) H (4.48)	Er (46.99) C (20.24) H (4.67)

Anion Exchange Derivatives of $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

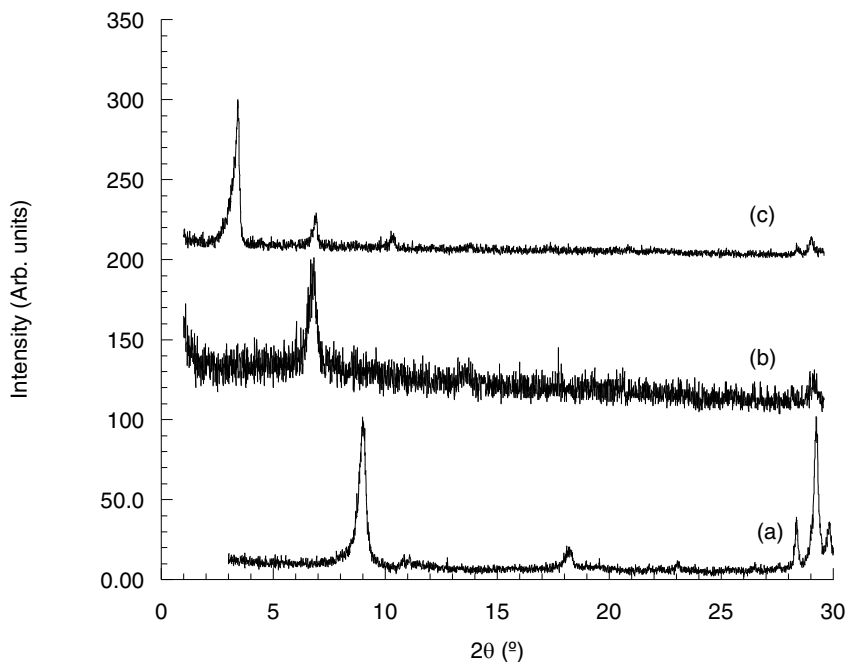


Figure S41 Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of (a) $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$, (b) $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{p-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and (c) $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$

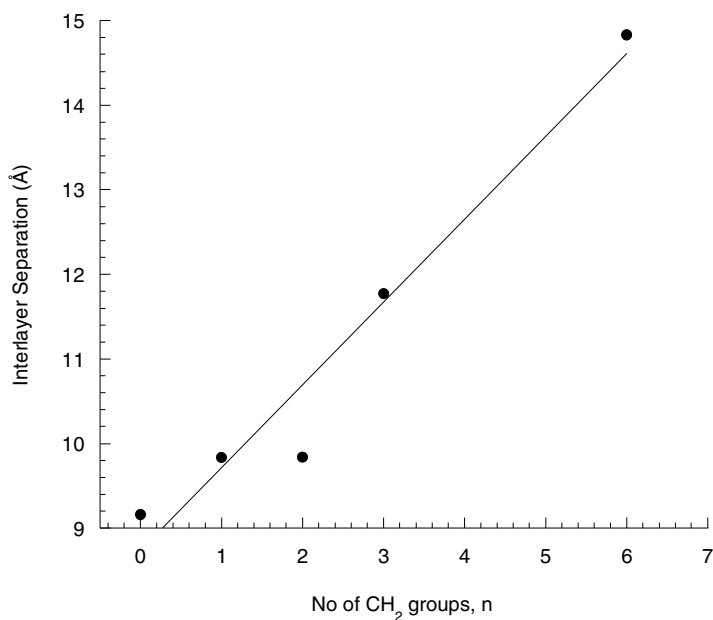


Figure S42 Plot of interlayer separation against number of CH_2 groups, n , in the aliphatic chain of some dicarboxylate intercalates, $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{OOC}(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{COO})_{0.5} \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$. The gradient of the line is 0.97 Å/C atom indicating an orientation of approximately 51° .

Table S7 Characterizing data for the organic anion exchange derivatives of $\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5\text{NO}_3 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$.

A	Composition	Interlayer Seperation (Å)	Elemental Analysis	
			Observed (%)	Calculated (%)
Nitrate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{NO}_3) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.14	Tm (60.55) N (2.46) H (1.39)	Tm (65.99) N (2.73) H (1.58)
Phthalate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(o\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	14.28	Tm (53.61) C (9.26) H (1.77)	Tm (63.39) C (9.01) H (2.08)
Terephthalate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(p\text{-C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.475}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.05} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	13.96	Tm (51.46) C (8.56) H (1.89) N (0.19)	Tm (63.39) C (8.59) H (1.88) N (0.13)
Oxalate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.45}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.1} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.16	Tm (58.97) C (2.71) H (1.36) N (0.35)	Tm (68.40) C (2.18) H (1.63) N (0.28)
Malonate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{O}_4)_{0.45}(\text{NO}_3)_{0.1} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.83	Tm (60.54) C (3.22) H (1.50) N (0.31)	Tm (67.45) C (3.22) H (1.78) N (0.28)
Succinate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	9.84	Tm (61.00) C (4.66) H (1.82)	Tm (66.51) C (4.73) H (1.98)
Glutarate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	11.77	Tm (55.52) C (5.60) H (1.78)	Tm (65.61) C (5.83) H (2.15)
Suberate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_4)_{0.5} \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	14.83	Tm (55.06) C (9.26) H (2.51)	Tm (63.03) C (8.96) H (2.63)
Decylsulfate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{21}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	23.86	Tm (46.42) C (17.13) H (4.19)	Tm (49.16) C (17.48) H (4.25)
Dodecylsulfate	$\text{Tm}_2(\text{OH})_5(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{25}\text{SO}_4) \cdot 1.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$	26.37	Tm (41.68) C (19.40) H (4.38)	Tm (47.23) C (20.15) H (4.65)