

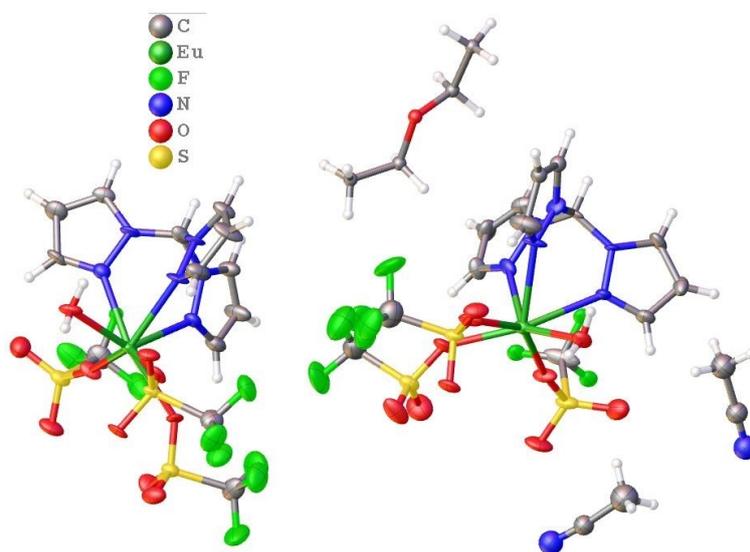
## Supplementary information

# Synthesis, crystal structure and spin-orbit coupling analysis for mono-scorpionate Eu(III) complexes

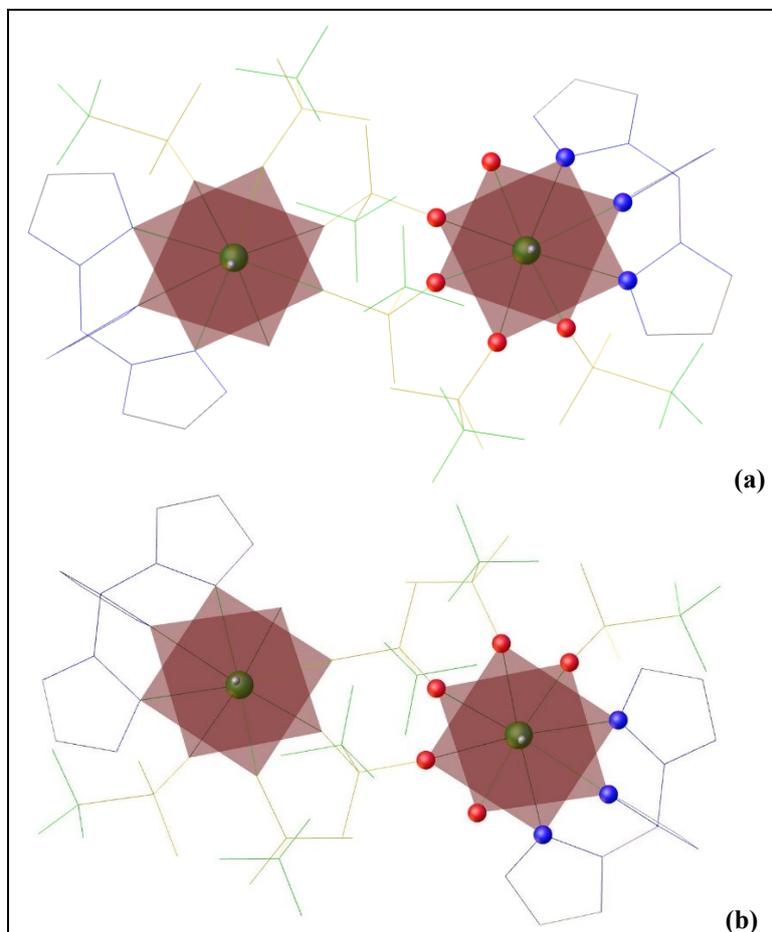
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**Table S1.** Crystal data and structure refinement for the compounds.

Identification code	(1)	(1a)	(2)	(3)
Empirical formula	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>18</sub> EuN <sub>11</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>12</sub> EuN <sub>9</sub> O <sub>10</sub>	C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>25</sub> EuN <sub>10</sub> O <sub>9</sub>	C <sub>32.9</sub> H <sub>37.24</sub> Eu <sub>2</sub> F <sub>18</sub> N <sub>14</sub> O <sub>20.73</sub> S <sub>6</sub>
Formula weight	652.35	570.25	677.44	1798.66
Temperature/K	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)	150(2)
Space group	<i>P</i> -1	<i>I</i> 2/ <i>c</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>
<i>a</i> /Å	9.4083(2)	14.9027(3)	10.8259(6)	21.596(3)
<i>b</i> /Å	11.0349(3)	15.6143(3)	14.9846(7)	17.912(2)
<i>c</i> /Å	11.7157(3)	16.1279(4)	16.4034(8)	18.668(2)
$\alpha$ /°	99.6960(10)	90	90	90
$\beta$ /°	93.4410(10)	108.4710(10)	95.786(2)	115.419(4)
$\gamma$ /°	102.6850(10)	90	90	90
Volume/Å <sup>3</sup>	1163.71(5)	3559.55(13)	2647.4(2)	6522.3(14)
<i>Z</i>	2	8	4	4
$\rho_{\text{calc}}$ /cm <sup>3</sup>	1.862	2.128	1.700	1.832
$\mu$ /mm <sup>-1</sup>	2.769	3.601	2.434	2.224
<i>F</i> (000)	644.0	2224.0	1352.0	3530.0
Crystal size/mm <sup>3</sup>	0.16 × 0.15 × 0.10	0.20 × 0.16 × 0.08	0.10 × 0.10 × 0.08	0.12 × 0.10 × 0.03
Radiation	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$ = 0.71073)	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$ = 0.71073)	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$ = 0.71073)	MoK $\alpha$ ( $\lambda$ = 0.71073)
2 $\theta$ range for data collection/°	5.168 to 59.232	3.886 to 61.058	4.316 to 61.048	3.086 to 51.484
Index ranges	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 13, -15 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 15, -16 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 16	-21 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 21, -22 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 22, -22 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	-13 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 15, -21 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 21, -23 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 22	
Reflections collected	26611	44683	36783	
Independent reflections	6515 [R <sub>int</sub> =0.0256, R <sub>sigma</sub> =0.0220]	5332 [R <sub>int</sub> =0.0308, R <sub>sigma</sub> =0.0207]	8022 [R <sub>int</sub> =0.0473, R <sub>sigma</sub> =0.0393]	5332 [R <sub>int</sub> =0.0308, R <sub>sigma</sub> =0.0207]
Data/restraints/parameters	6515/3/333	5332/2/277	8022/0/350	5332/2/277
Goodness-of-fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.062	1.091	1.072	1.091
Final <i>R</i> indexes [ <i>I</i> ≥ 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0151, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0357	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0184, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0370	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0276, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0525	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0184, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0370
Final <i>R</i> indexes [all data]	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0156, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0360	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0281, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0414	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0354, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0581	R <sub>1</sub> =0.0281, wR <sub>2</sub> =0.0414
Largest diff. peak/hole/e Å <sup>-3</sup>	0.42/-0.55	0.55/-0.84	0.52/-0.62	0.55/-0.84



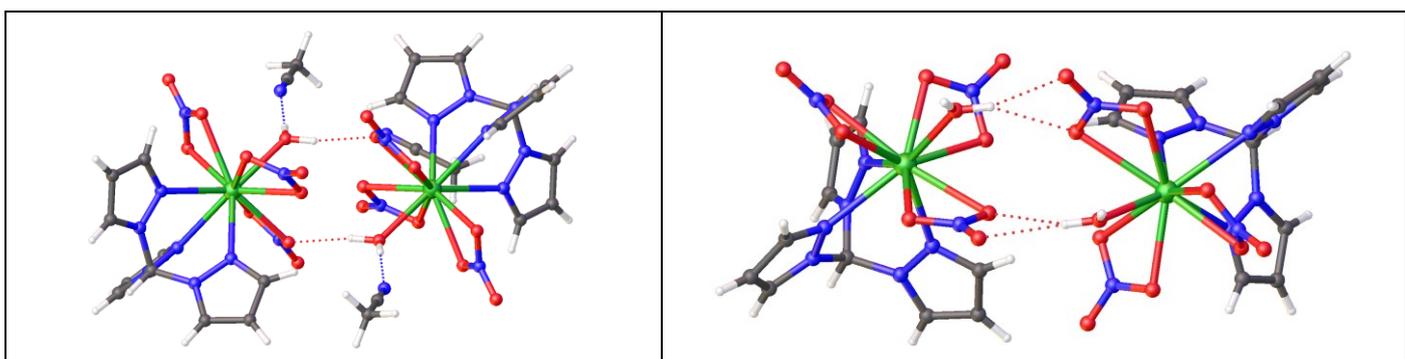
**Figure S1.** The asymmetric unit in the crystal structure of [Eu(HCPz<sub>3</sub>)H<sub>2</sub>O(CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (3).



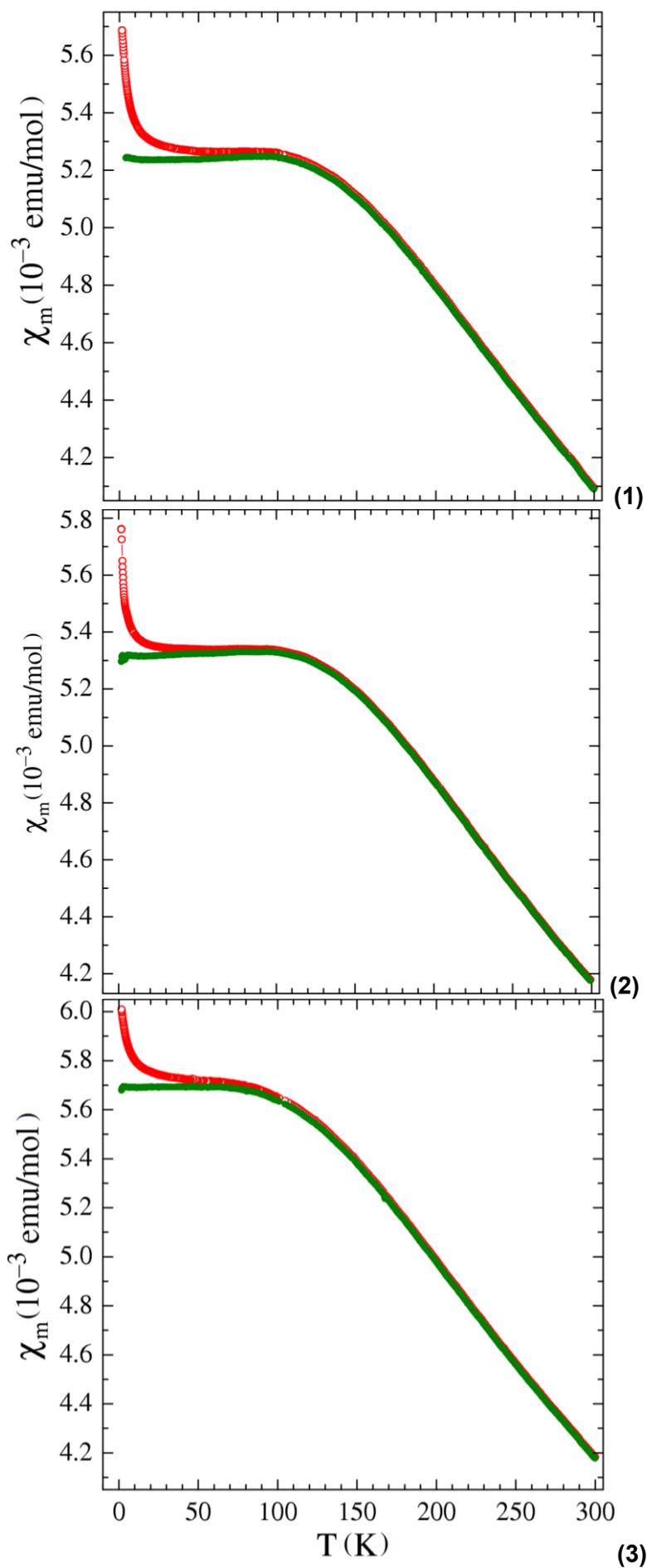
**Figure S2.** Square antiprism coordination environment - of  $\text{Eu}^{3+}$  sites in  $[\text{Eu}(\text{HCPz}_3)\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3)_2]_2$  (**3**) for: (a) around Eu1 central atom; (b) around Eu2 central atom.

**Table S2.** Geometry analysis of the complexes by SHAPE software.

Compound	CN	Polyhedron geometry		
$[\text{Eu}(\text{HCPz}_3)(\text{NO}_3)_3\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ <b>1</b>	[ML <sub>10</sub> ]	Sphenocorona $C_{2v}$	Bicapped square antiprism $D_{4d}$	
		<b>3.534</b>	6.356	
$[\text{Eu}(\text{HCPz}_3)(\text{NO}_3)_3\text{H}_2\text{O}]$ <b>1a</b>	[ML <sub>10</sub> ]	Sphenocorona $C_{2v}$	Bicapped square antiprism $D_{4d}$	
		<b>3.225</b>	4.793	
$[\text{Eu}(\text{HC}(\text{Pz}^{\text{Me}_2})_3)(\text{NO}_3)_3]$ <b>2</b>	[ML <sub>9</sub> ]	Spherical tricapped trigonal prism $D_{3h}$	Spherical capped square antiprism $C_{4v}$	Muffin $C_s$
		<b>2.05</b>	2.910	3.027
$[\text{Dy}(\text{Rad})(\text{NO}_3)_3]$	[ML <sub>9</sub> ]	<b>2.220</b>	3.025	3.256
$[\text{Eu}(\text{HCPz}_3)\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{OTf})_3]_2$ <b>3</b>				
Eu01	[ML <sub>8</sub> ]	Square antiprism $D_{4d}$	Triangular dodecahedron $D_{2d}$	Biaugmented trigonal prism $C_{2v}$
		<b>0.354</b>	2.184	1.543
Eu02	[ML <sub>8</sub> ]	Square antiprism $D_{4d}$	Triangular dodecahedron $D_{2d}$	Biaugmented trigonal prism $C_{2v}$
		<b>0.426</b>	1.919	1.368



**Figure S3.** Dimerized species in **1** (left) and **1a** (right).



**Figure S4.** The temperature-dependent molar magnetic susceptibility  $\chi_M$  of 1–3 at a field of 1 kOe (open red circles). Solid green circles show the  $\chi_M$  data after subtraction of the contribution from Eu(II) impurities (0.01-0.017 %).