

PARASHIFT Probes: Solution NMR and X-ray Structural Studies of Macrocyclic Ytterbium and Yttrium Complexes

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NMR and DFT data for [Y.L¹]

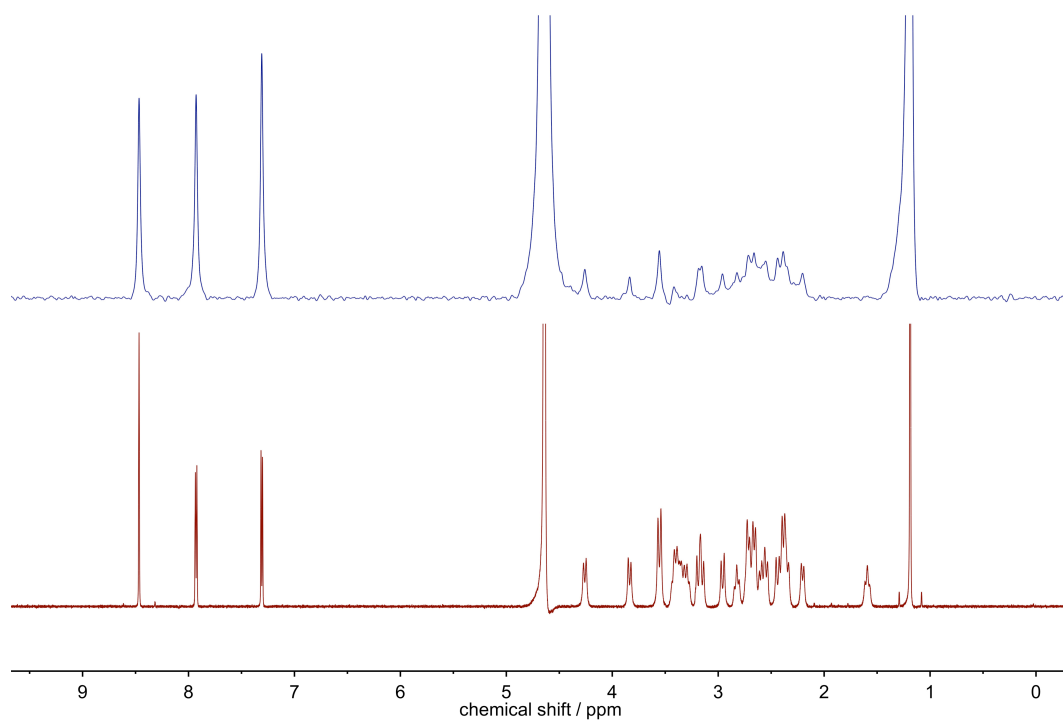


Figure S1. ¹H, (*lower*) and ¹H with ¹H decoupling NMR spectra (*upper*) for [Y.L¹] (600 MHz, 298 K, D₂O, pD 6).

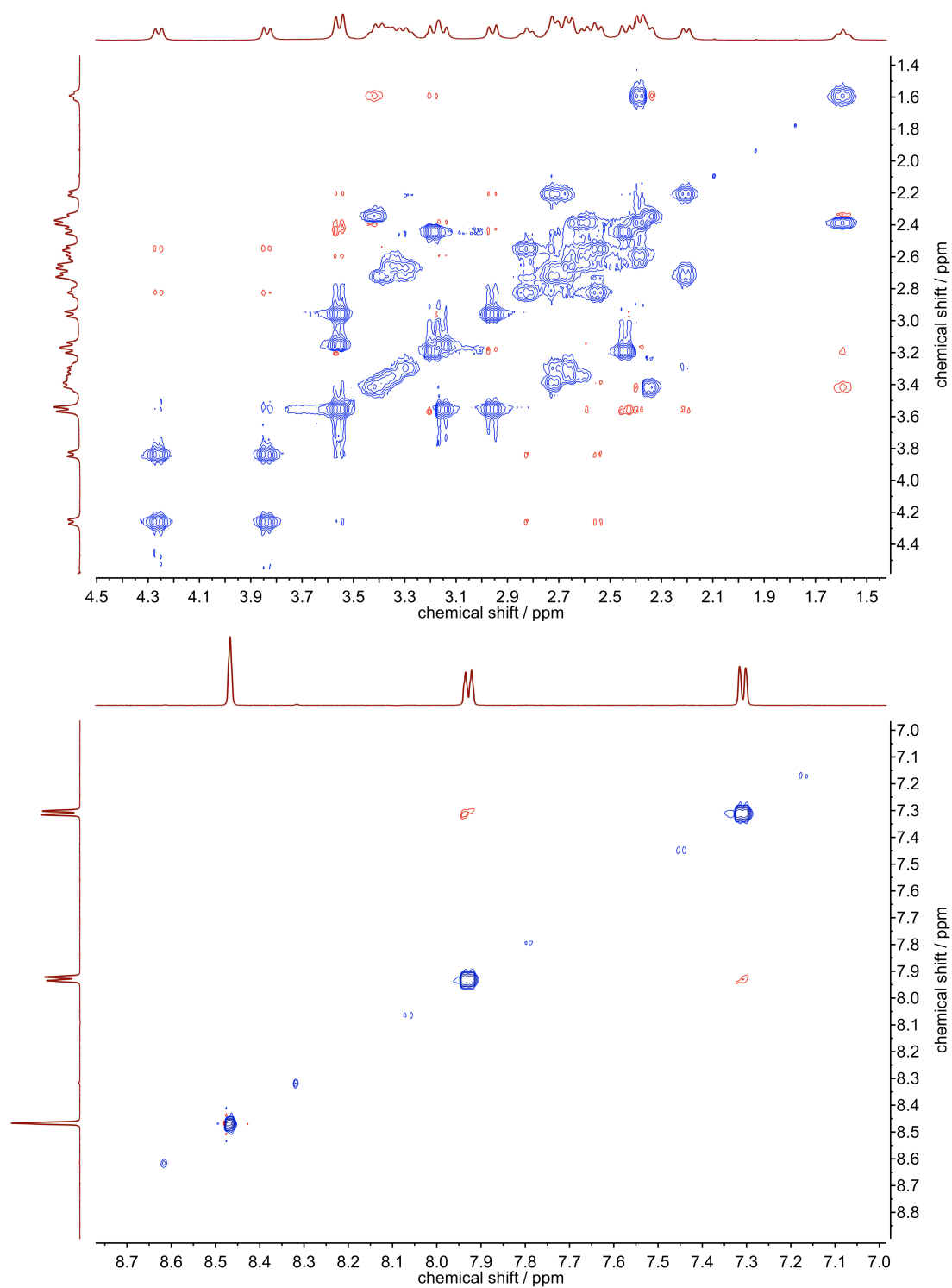


Figure S2. ¹H-¹H 2D NOESY/EXSY NMR spectrum (mixing time 500 ms) of [Y.L¹] (600 MHz, D₂O, 298 K). (*upper*) aliphatic region; (*lower*) aromatic region.

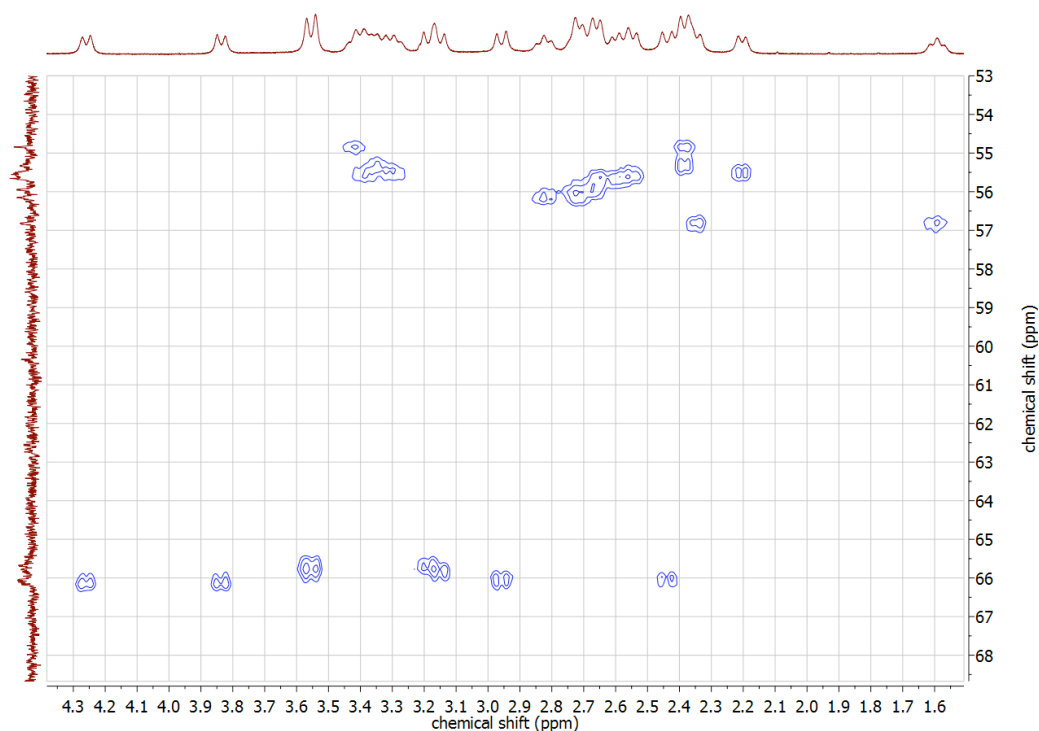


Figure S3. Aliphatic part of the ^1H - ^{13}C HSQC NMR spectrum (14.1 T, D_2O , 298 K) for $[\text{Y.L}^1]$.

Table S1. Optimized geometry (M06-2X/cc-pVDZ SMD(water)) of $[\text{Y.L}^1]$ conformers with and without explicit water molecules.

	$\Lambda\text{-}\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$			$\Lambda\text{-}\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda+\text{H}_2\text{O}$			$\Lambda\text{-}\delta\delta\delta\delta$			$\Lambda\text{-}\delta\delta\delta\delta+\text{H}_2\text{O}$		
Y	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
C	0.5699	-3.0789	-0.6257	0.5635	-3.0929	-0.6099	1.3956	-2.8875	-0.4093	1.4122	-2.9209	-0.3183
C	-0.4082	3.1796	-0.5534	-0.3725	3.2087	-0.5183	-1.2955	2.9408	-0.4543	-1.2663	3.0183	-0.2878
C	-3.1277	-0.4071	-0.6608	-3.1164	-0.4190	-0.6293	-2.9033	-1.3549	-0.4558	-2.9286	-1.3461	-0.3718
O	0.8321	-4.1074	-1.2587	0.7992	-4.1158	-1.2619	2.1265	-3.7848	-0.8471	2.1579	-3.8212	-0.7278
O	0.9347	-1.8927	-0.9698	0.9462	-1.9081	-0.9408	1.3788	-1.6796	-0.8468	1.4068	-1.7178	-0.7612
O	-4.1595	-0.5707	-1.3220	-4.1438	-0.5855	-1.2966	-3.8209	-2.0350	-0.9327	-3.8603	-2.0297	-0.8178
O	-0.5419	4.2294	-1.1969	-0.4834	4.2547	-1.1688	-1.9407	3.8569	-0.9802	-1.8495	3.9742	-0.8199
O	-0.8100	2.0227	-0.9406	-0.7617	2.0501	-0.9212	-1.2678	1.7287	-0.8801	-1.3083	1.8102	-0.7143
O	-1.9530	-0.7897	-1.0202	-1.9445	-0.8230	-0.9694	-1.6788	-1.4036	-0.8397	-1.7133	-1.4128	-0.7770
N	2.0998	0.0000	1.6510	2.0884	0.0000	1.6757	2.1184	0.0000	1.5238	2.1079	0.0000	1.6253
N	-0.0136	-2.0852	1.5717	-0.0011	-2.0979	1.5889	-0.0108	-2.1009	1.5291	-0.0228	-2.1113	1.5763
N	-2.1013	0.0053	1.5615	-2.0906	0.0059	1.5814	-2.1127	-0.0161	1.5193	-2.1017	-0.0088	1.5851
N	0.0151	2.0799	1.6374	0.0034	2.0920	1.6722	0.0051	2.1170	1.5453	0.0166	2.1201	1.6892
N	2.2034	0.9302	-0.9506	2.2058	1.0197	-0.8764	1.9317	1.5262	-0.8544	1.9152	1.6214	-0.6814
C	1.9185	-1.0125	2.7091	1.9242	-1.0183	2.7304	2.2783	-1.3311	2.1566	2.2653	-1.3439	2.2271
C	1.3148	-2.2980	2.1816	1.3251	-2.3057	2.2021	0.9572	-1.9042	2.6289	0.9401	-1.9222	2.6816
C	-1.0536	-1.9997	2.6135	-1.0404	-1.9998	2.6303	-1.3573	-2.3299	2.0954	-1.3696	-2.3361	2.1406
C	-2.3258	-1.3549	2.0958	-2.3128	-1.3561	2.1125	-1.9943	-1.0401	2.5811	-1.9979	-1.0465	2.6342
C	-1.9822	0.9853	2.6554	-1.9849	0.9802	2.6816	-2.2898	1.3155	2.1360	-2.2819	1.3091	2.2289
C	-1.3439	2.2792	2.1869	-1.3544	2.2805	2.2233	-0.9711	1.8754	2.6340	-0.9702	1.8546	2.2755
C	0.9942	1.9522	2.7327	0.9807	1.9433	2.7668	1.3435	2.3314	2.1397	1.3471	2.3138	2.3001
C	2.2974	1.3303	2.2655	2.2852	1.3288	2.2939	1.9980	1.0304	2.5857	1.9897	0.9990	2.7133
C	-0.2785	-3.1927	0.6441	-0.2673	-3.2128	0.6708	0.3907	-3.2390	0.6883	0.3731	-3.2590	0.7485
C	-3.2171	0.3435	0.6688	-3.2069	0.3449	0.6904	-3.2419	-0.3331	0.6311	-3.2383	-0.3001	0.6991
C	0.3352	3.2329	0.7830	0.3263	3.2574	0.8399	-0.4147	3.2813	0.7494	-0.3857	3.3092	0.9268
C	3.2761	-0.3325	0.8295	3.2594	-0.3341	0.8454	3.3054	0.5253	0.6824	3.2949	0.2753	0.7938
C	3.3640	0.5638	-0.3790	3.3604	0.5756	-0.3512	3.1216	1.4208	-0.2463	3.1205	1.4577	-0.1219
C	4.5831	1.0042	-0.8812	4.5882	0.9612	-0.8796	4.1406	2.3447	-0.4749	4.1780	2.3215	-0.4120
C	4.6005	1.8511	-1.9879	4.6240	1.8402	-1.9602	3.8999	3.4179	-1.3220	3.9689	3.3747	-1.2919
C	3.4020	2.2607	-2.5765	3.4334	2.3506	-2.4832	2.6528	3.5597	-1.9461	2.7086	3.5679	-1.8758
C	2.2289	1.7546	-2.0056	2.2540	1.8917	-1.8914	1.7154	2.5610	-1.6850	1.7246	2.6437	-1.5323
C	3.3139	3.2269	-3.7552	3.3525	3.3841	-3.6040	2.3410	4.7756	-2.8136	2.4412	4.7359	-2.8203
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C	2.5322	2.5676	-4.9013	2.4127	2.8785	-4.7096	3.3385	4.8409	-3.9784	3.3619	4.6114	-4.0428
H	1.2651	-0.5851	3.4807	1.2772	-0.5983	3.5113	2.9701	-1.2659	3.0148	2.9510	-1.2977	3.0921
H	2.8862	-1.2356	3.1943	2.8986	-1.2383	3.2038	2.7473	-2.0068	1.4291	2.7399	-2.0052	1.4908
H	1.9732	-2.7377	1.4199	1.9865	-2.7464	1.4432	1.1470	-2.8669	3.1373	1.1248	-2.8882	3.1861
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H	-1.2896	-3.0054	3.0057	-1.2798	-3.0012	3.0320	-1.9818	-2.7969	1.3234	-1.9966	-2.7970	1.3674
H	-2.7500	-1.9679	1.2880	-2.7381	-1.9687	1.3052	-2.9940	-1.2670	2.9927	-3.0015	-1.2689	3.0395
H	-3.0788	-1.3269	2.9040	-3.0646	-1.3290	2.9219	-1.4040	-0.6165	3.4025	-1.4082	-0.6384	3.4636
H	-1.3778	0.5360	3.4546	-1.3838	0.5300	3.4827	-2.9998	1.2614	2.9802	-3.0040	1.2361	3.0619
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H	-1.9617	2.7370	1.4016	-1.9740	2.7427	1.4418	-1.1600	2.8193	3.1757	-1.1680	2.7855	3.3196
H	-1.3113	2.9981	3.0253	-1.3246	2.9927	3.0678	-0.5204	1.1760	3.3501	-0.5309	1.1396	3.4653
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H	1.2061	2.9413	3.1780	1.1910	2.9240	3.2311	1.9685	2.8497	1.4035	1.9839	2.8489	1.5863
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H	1.4095	3.2309	0.5397	1.4067	3.2764	0.6257	0.4764	3.7735	0.3298	0.5109	3.8063	0.5262
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H	4.2052	-0.2498	1.4212	4.1910	-0.2684	1.4357	4.2004	0.4052	1.3093	4.1899	0.4181	1.4242
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H	2.4840	5.1998	-4.1374	2.6957	5.4475	-3.8109	0.7380	5.6210	-3.9846	0.8328	5.6304	-3.9480
H	4.5984	4.3039	-5.1145	4.6289	4.3946	-5.0216	2.2606	6.9312	-2.5470	2.5680	6.9031	-2.7534
H	5.2654	2.7323	-4.6102	5.1687	2.7417	-4.6376	3.5017	6.1384	-1.5454	3.7880	6.0912	-1.7430
H	5.2946	4.1200	-3.4886	5.4286	4.0650	-3.4686	1.7790	6.0059	-1.0984	2.0888	6.1604	-1.2032
H	2.4763	3.2576	-5.7570	2.3862	3.6071	-5.5341	3.1307	5.7263	-4.5985	3.1874	5.4528	-4.7307
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H	3.0298	1.6439	-5.2343	2.7605	1.9148	-5.1124	4.3752	4.9156	-3.6177	4.4225	4.6257	-3.7504
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H	-3.1815	1.4155	0.4236	-3.1706	1.4153	0.4384	-3.5295	0.5824	0.0919	-3.4928	0.6180	0.1479
H	-4.1921	0.1384	1.1437	-4.1816	0.1437	1.1678	-4.1203	-0.6795	1.2009	-4.1286	-0.6116	1.2711
O				-0.2845	0.3989	-3.1984				0.0709	0.1257	-2.5542
H				0.4805	0.7366	-3.6879				-0.4676	0.9182	-2.7208
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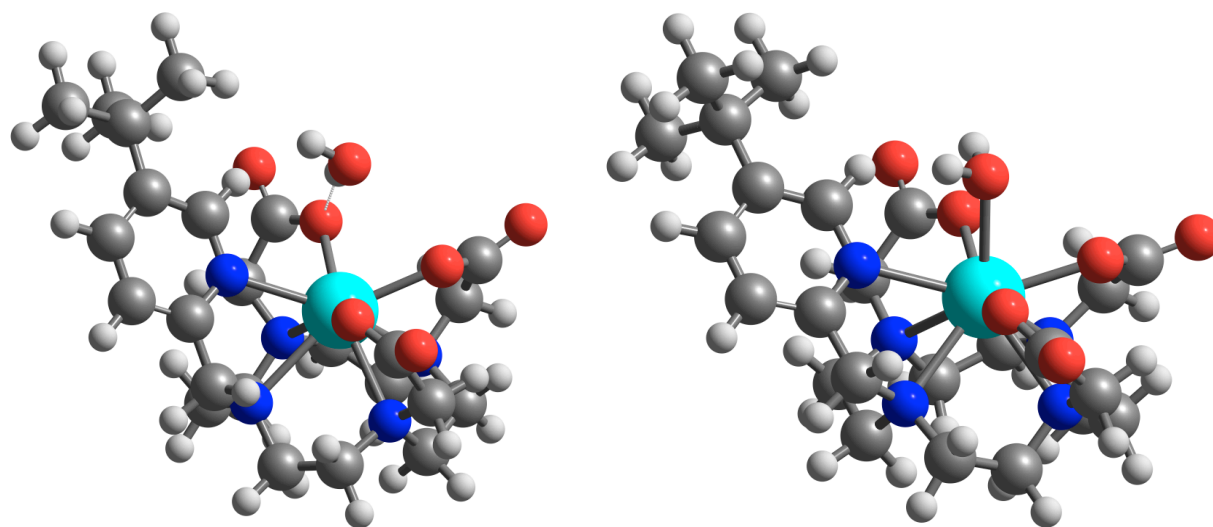


Figure S4. Optimized structure of *A*- $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$ (left) and *A*- $\delta\delta\delta\delta$ (right) with explicit water molecule showing different types of interactions with water (hydrogen bonding vs. direct coordination).

NMR and DFT data for [Y.L²]

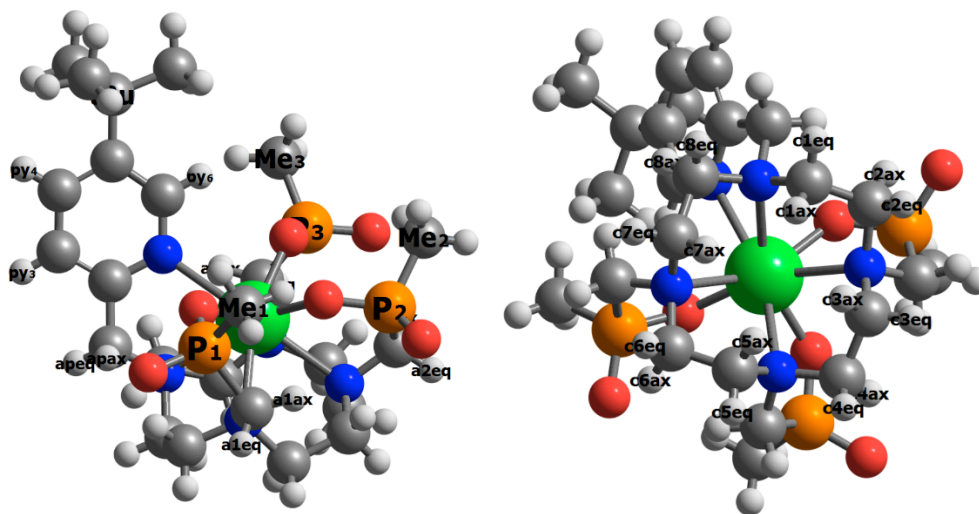


Figure S5. Labels for atoms used in the assignment tables. The cyclen protons and carbons are labeled with 'c' and ordered clockwise, where 'ax' stands for axial and 'eq' stands for equatorial protons. Exocyclic methylene protons are labeled with 'a' and numbered the same way, and the pyridine arm is labeled 'ap'.

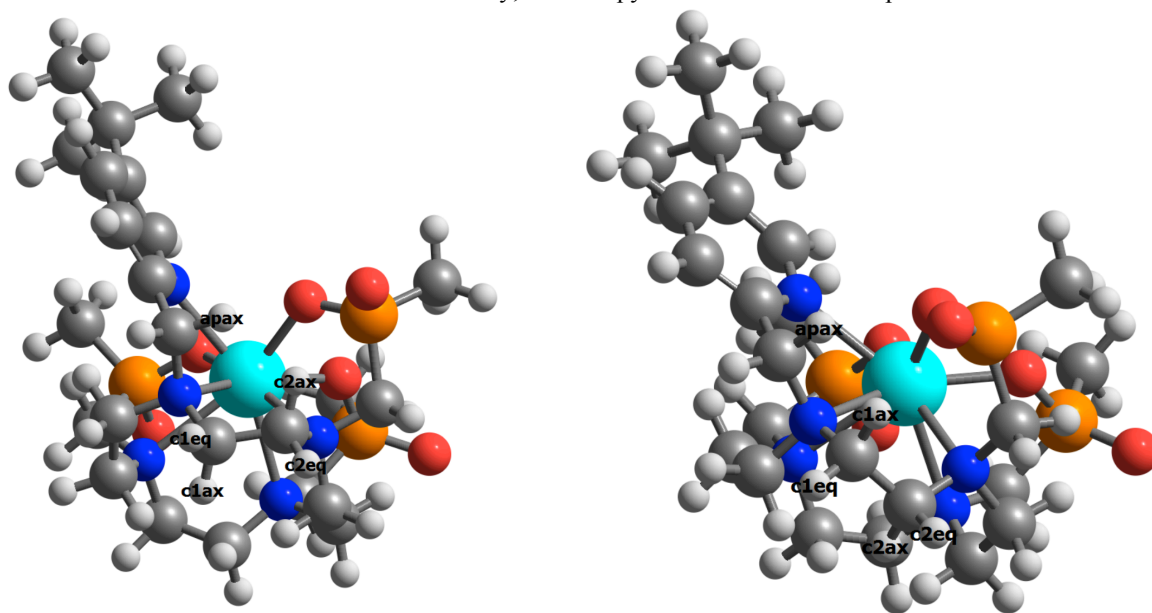


Figure S6. Difference in distances between 'apax' proton and nearest cyclen protons of (RRR)-Λ-(λλλλ) (left) and (RRR)-Λ-(δδδδ) (right) of [Y.L²] used to discriminate structures based on NOESY cross-peaks. Distances for (RRR)-Λ-(λλλλ) in Å: apax-c2ax 2.023; apax-a1eq 2.704; apax-c2eq 3.545; apax-c1ax 3.620, and for (RRR)-Λ-(δδδδ): apax-c1ax 2.025; apax-c1eq 3.030; apax-c2eq 4.424; apax-a2ax 4.438 Å.

Table S2. Assignment of ³¹P, ¹³C and ¹H resonances of major conformer of [Y.L²]

Label	Shift, ppm
P1	43.9
P2	43.3
P3	41
c1	50.1
c2	53.2
c3	51.6
c4	53.9
c5	51.8
c6	53.5

c7	51.6
c8	52.6
a1	56.7/56.0
a2	55.9/55.3
a3	56.3/55.7
ap	59.4
py3	123.6
py4	138.4
py6	145.2
m1	15.6
m2	15.7
m3	16.3
tBu	33.3
clax	3.51
cleq	2.47
c2ax	3.58
c2eq	2.59
c3ax	3.41
c3eq	2.40
c4ax	3.53
c4eq	2.50
c5ax	3.42
c5eq	2.32
c6ax	3.82
c6eq	2.48
c7ax	3.37
c7eq	2.29
c8ax	2.98
c8eq	2.43
alax	3.43
aleq	2.59
a2ax	3.61
a2eq	2.59
a3ax	2.77
a3eq	2.48
apax	4.55
apeq	3.65
py3	7.35
py4	7.97
py6	8.60
Me1	1.26
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Me3	1.26
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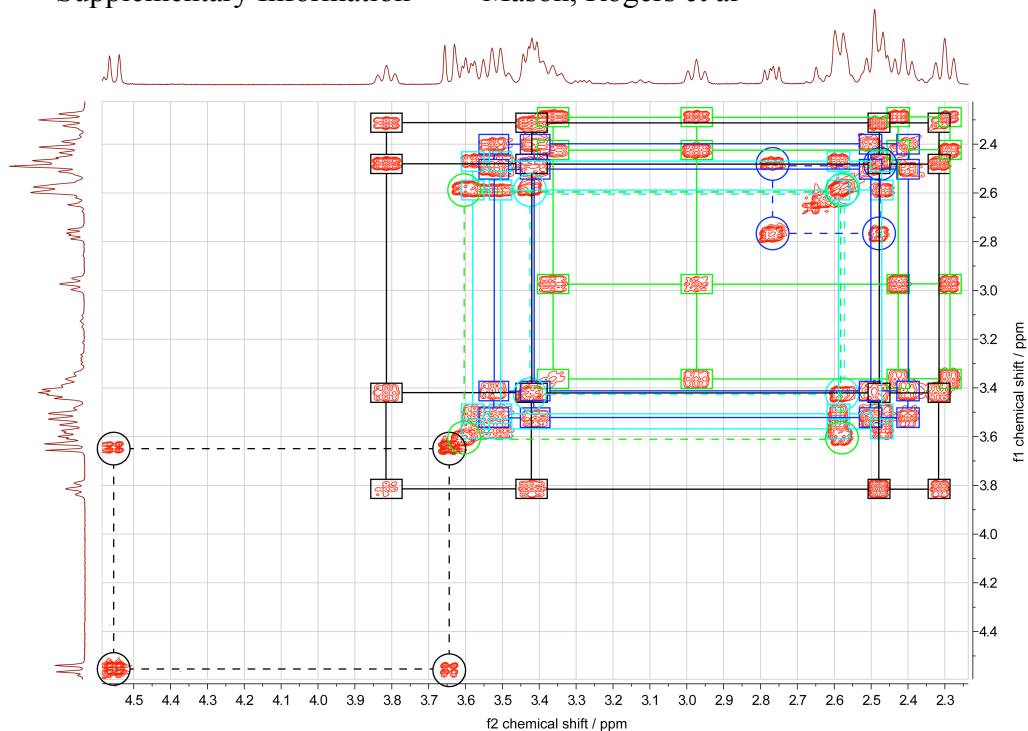


Figure S7. Aliphatic part of the ^1H - ^1H TOCSY NMR spectrum (14.1 T, D_2O , pD 6, 298 K) for $[\text{Y.L}^2]$. Arm pairs are shown with dashed lines and groups of four J -coupled cycloproton protons are shown with solid lines.

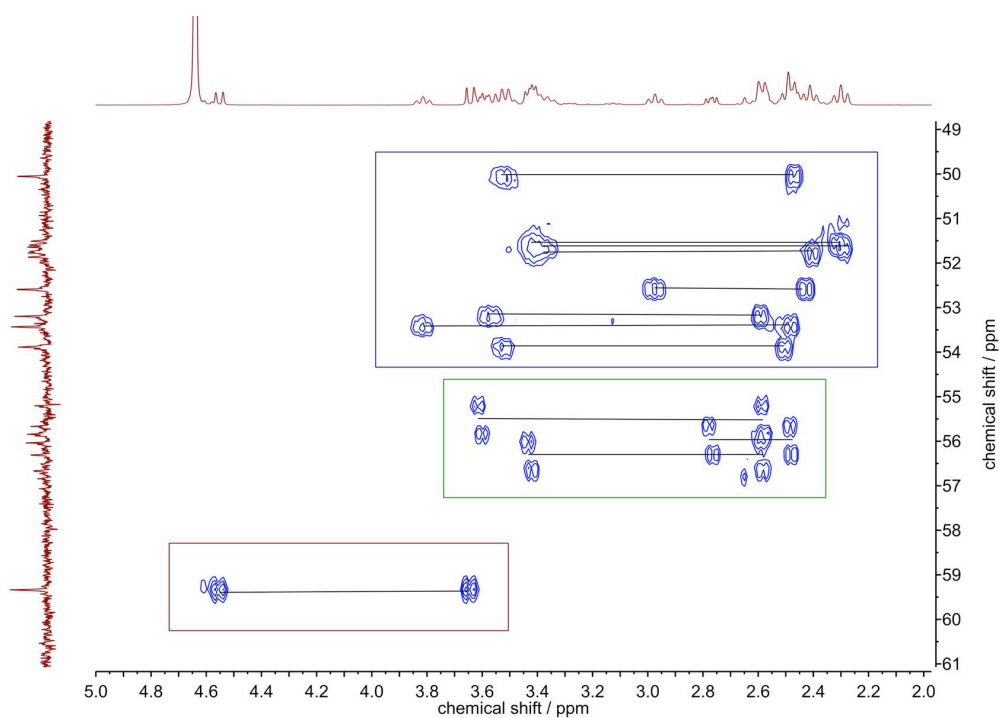


Figure S8. Aliphatic part of the ^1H - ^{13}C HSQC NMR spectrum (14.1 T, D_2O , pD 6, 298 K) for $[\text{Y.L}^2]$, showing cyclopropane- CH_2 (blue box), PCH_2N (green) and pyCH_2N resonances (red box).

NMR data for $[Y.L^3]$

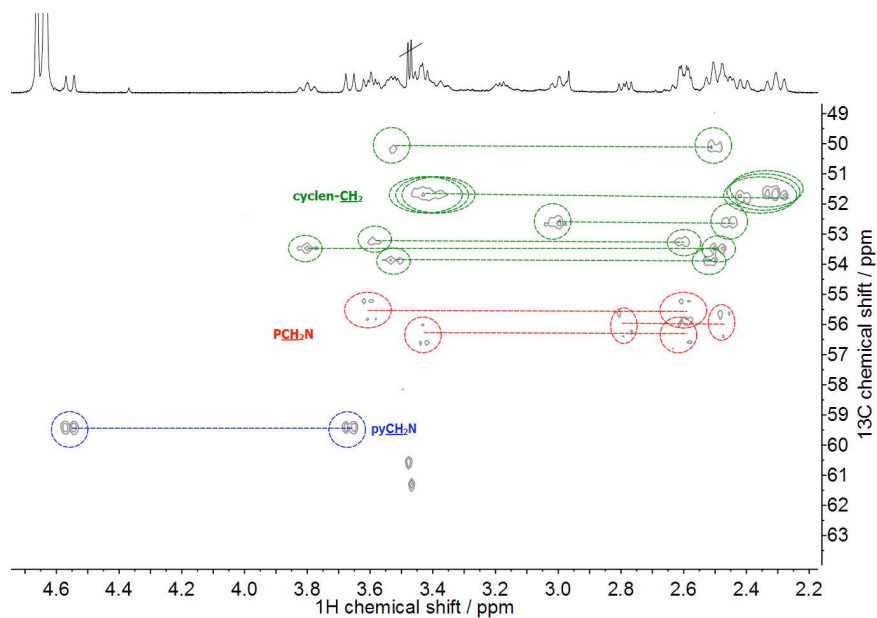


Figure S9. ^1H - ^{13}C HSQC NMR spectrum (600 MHz, 298 K, pD 7) of the aliphatic region of $[Y.L^3]^{2-}$. The cyclen- CH_2 resonances are highlighted in green, pyCH_2N in blue, and PCH_2N in red.

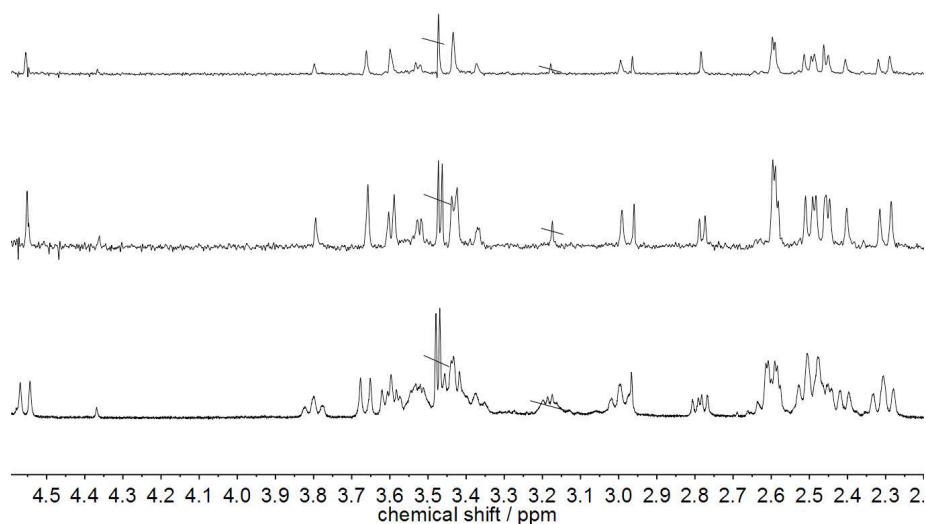


Figure 10. ^1H , (*lower*), ^1H with ^1H decoupling (*centre*), and ^1H with ^1H and ^{31}P decoupling (*top*) NMR spectra (600 MHz, 298 K, pD 7) of $[Y.L^3]^{2-}$. Crossed out peaks are from a (hydroxymethyl)(methyl)phosphinic acid impurity.

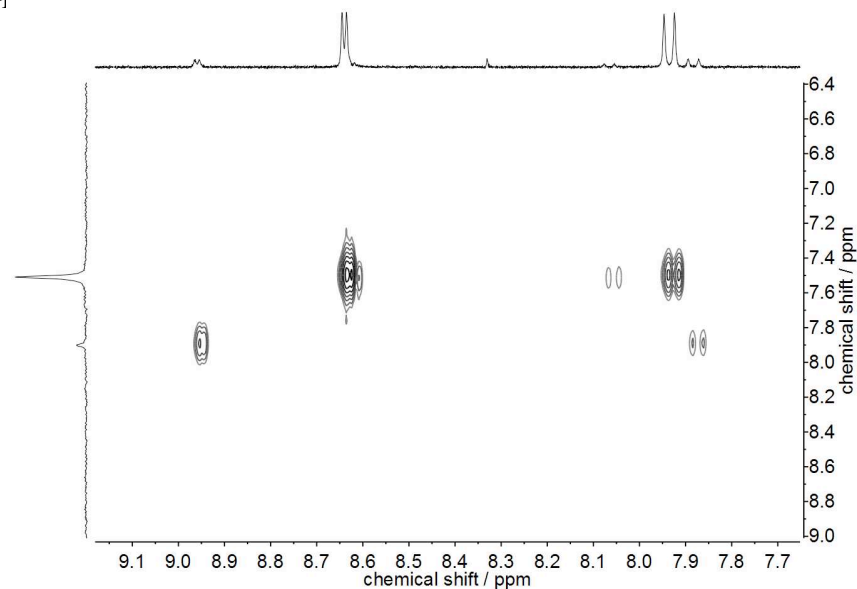


Figure S11. ^1H - ^{31}P HMBC NMR spectrum (600 MHz, 298 K, D_2O , pD 7), of $[\text{Y.L}^3]^{2-}$ shows correlations between the phosphonate ^{31}P resonance at 7.5 ppm and the aromatic protons of the major isomer (8.64 and 7.93 ppm), as well as cross peaks belonging to the minor conformer (^{31}P = 7.9 ppm, ^1H = 8.96, 7.88 ppm).

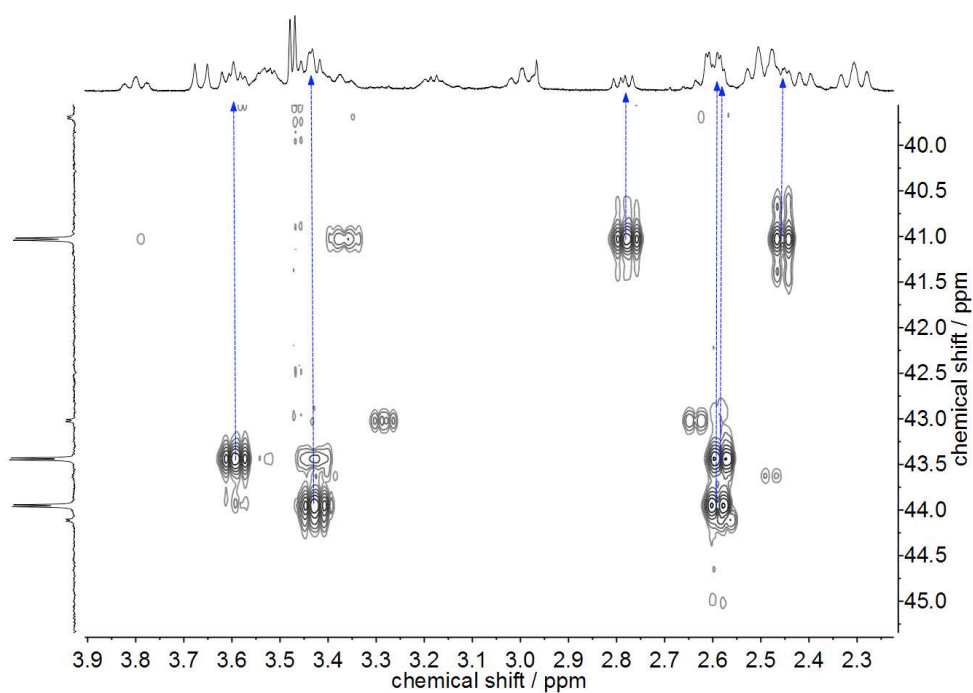


Figure S12. ^1H - ^{31}P HMBC NMR spectrum, (600 MHz, 298 K, D_2O , pD 7), of $[\text{Y.L}^3]^{2-}$.

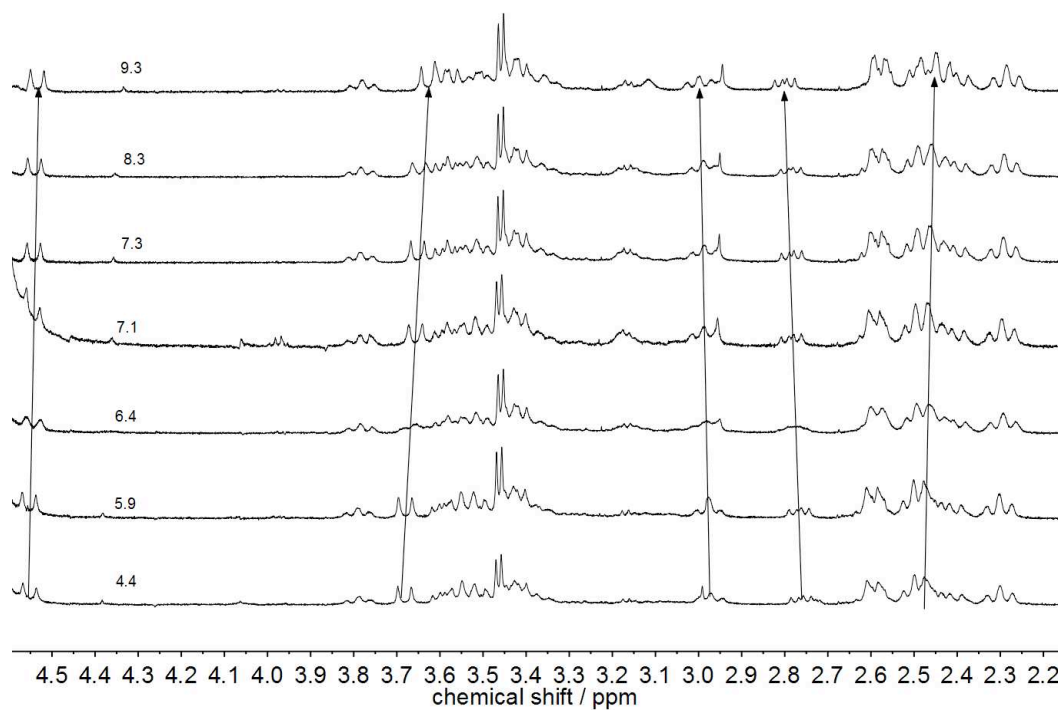


Figure S13. Aliphatic region of the ^1H NMR spectrum of $[\text{Y.L}^3]^{2-}$ (500 MHz, 295 K, D_2O), varying the pD from 4.4 to 9.3

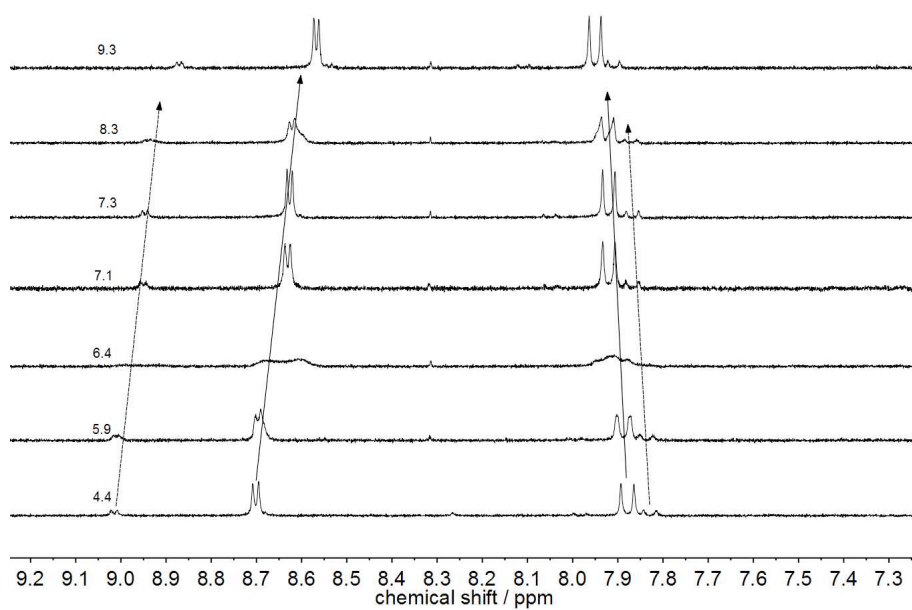


Figure S14. Aromatic region of the ^1H NMR spectrum of $[\text{Y.L}^3]^{2-}$, (500 MHz, 295 K, D_2O), varying pD from 4.4 to 9.3.

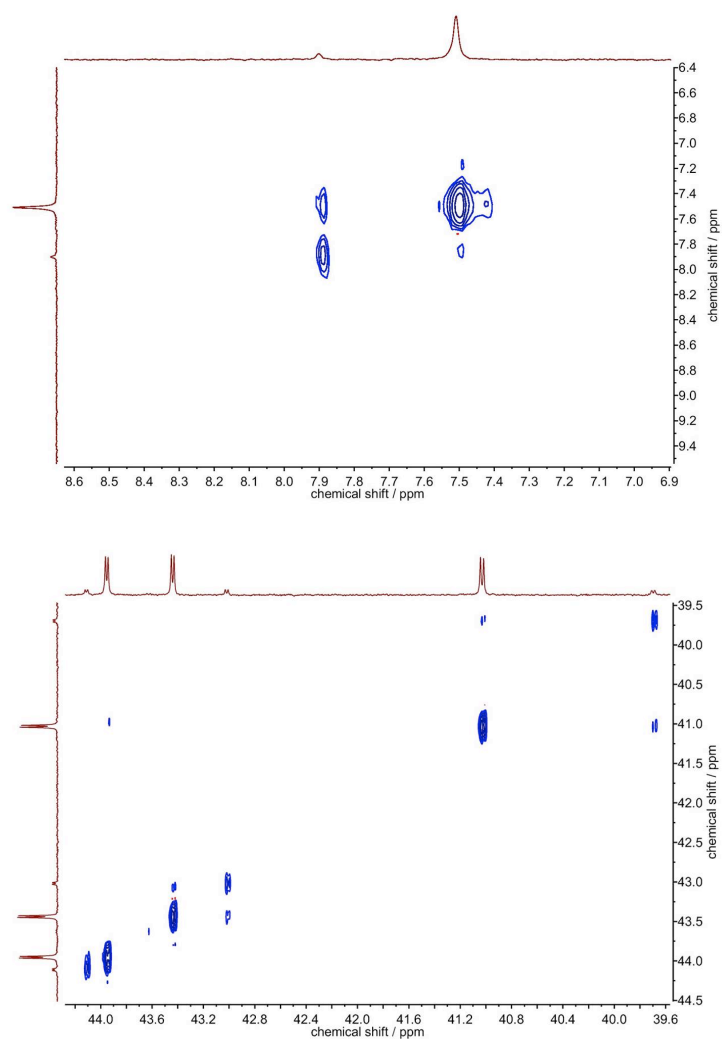


Figure S15. ^{31}P - ^{31}P 2D NOESY/EXSY NMR spectrum (14.1 T, D_2O , 295 K, pD 7, mixing time = 300 ms) of the phosphonate ^{31}P (*upper*) and phosphinate ^{31}P resonances (*lower*) for $[\text{Y.L}^3]^{2-}$, showing exchange correlations (*blue*).

Structure and analysis of [Yb.L¹] magnetic properties

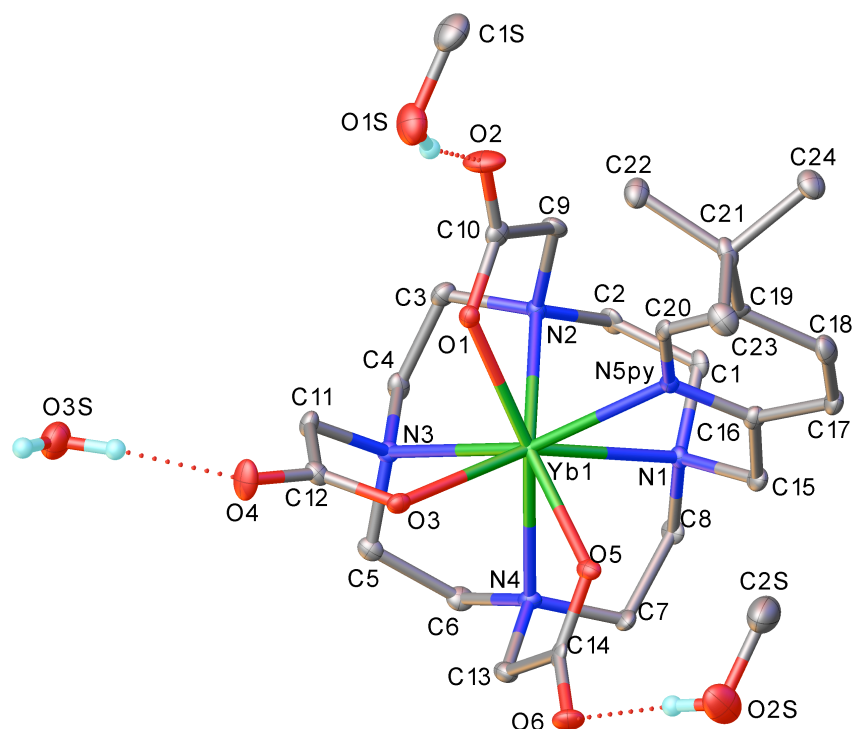


Figure S16. X-ray molecular structure of [Yb.L¹].2MeOH.H₂O. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level; H atoms are omitted for clarity, except those of hydroxyl groups and water.

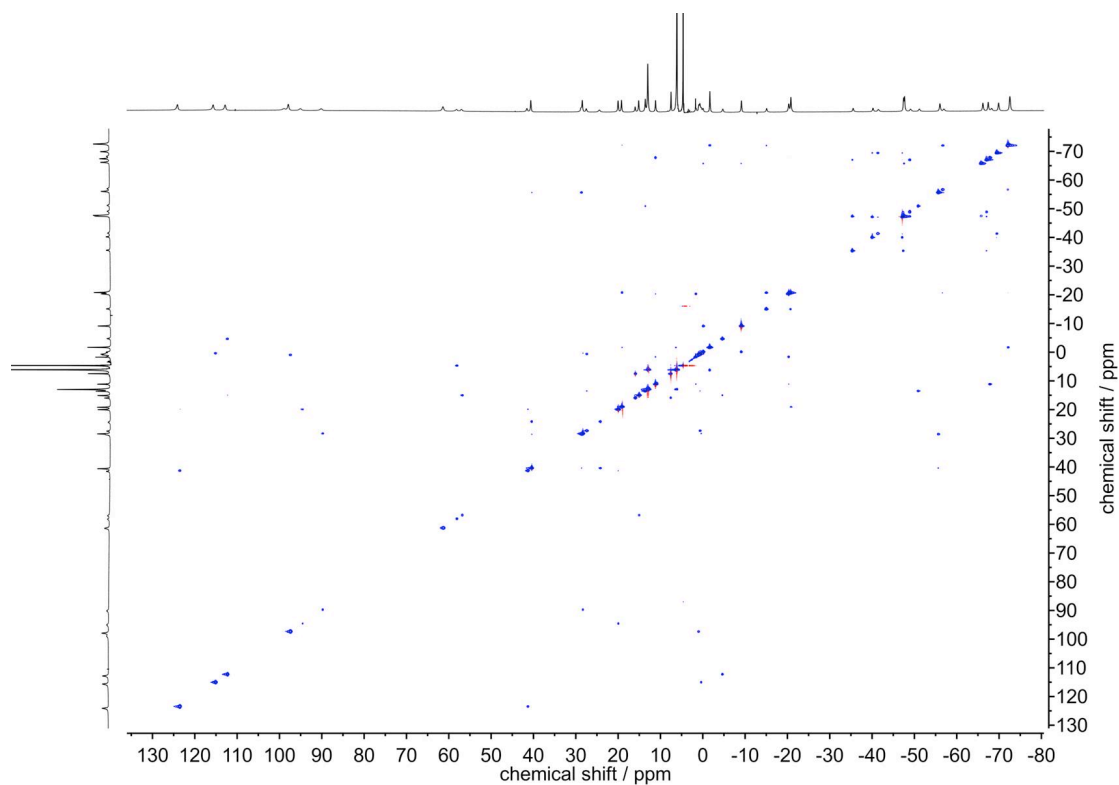


Figure S17. ¹H-¹H 2D EXSY NMR spectrum of [Yb.L¹] (4.7 T, D₂O, 295 K), acquired using a 5 ms mixing time.

Table S3. Assigned paramagnetic shifts of major conformer of $[\text{Yb.L}^1]$ protons (4.7 T, D_2O , 295 K) and phosphorus atoms.

Label	Shift, ppm	Width, Hz	R_1, s^{-1}	Diamagnetic reference, ppm
c7ax	124.13	89	105	3.5
c1ax	112.84	93	110	3.5
c5ax	115.68	94	115	3.5
c3ax	97.92	82	99	3.5
py6	61.38	105	231	8.47
c7eq	40.62	51	61	2.5
c8eq	28.47	52	69	2.5
c6eq	15.13	51	62	2.5
c3eq	19.2	46	56	2.5
c4eq	20	53	69	2.5
c1eq	11.15	49	61	2.5
c5eq	13.59	52	47	2.5
py4	7.51	35	4.6	7.93
tBu	6.12	33	6.6	1.19
c2eq	4.71	-	-	2.5
c8ax	0.68	90	91	3.5
py3	-1.68	41	16	7.31
apeq	-9.13	49	45	3.84
c4ax	-20.31	69	79	3.5
a2eq	-20.82	55	52	2.5
a3eq	-47.45	54	46	2.5
a1eq	-47.68	52	48	2.5
c6ax	-56.03	68	83	3.5
apax	-66.18	66	78	4.26
a3ax	-67.43	62	69	3.5
a1ax	-69.89	66	78	3.5
a2ax	-72.55	71	78	3.5
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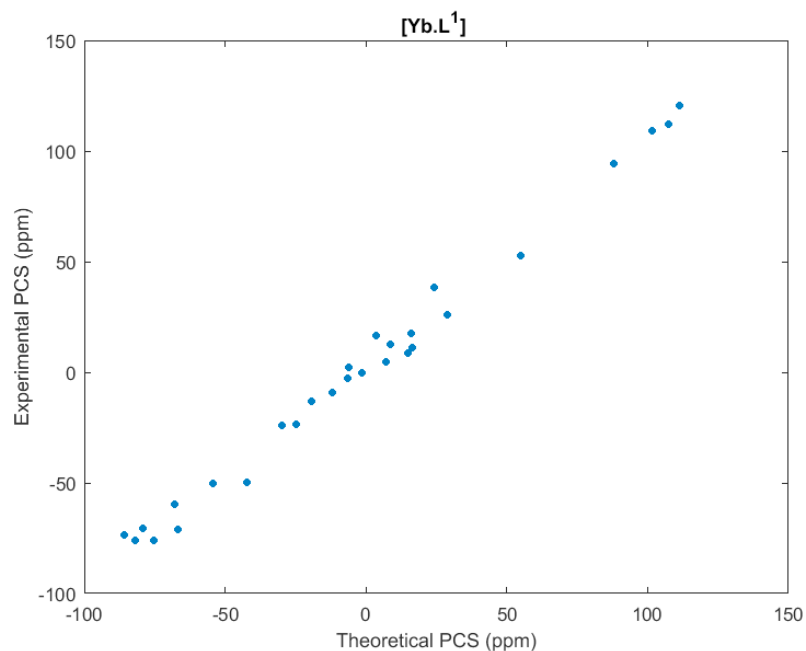
**Figure S18.** Comparison of the observed and the best fit PCS values for $[\text{Yb.L}^1]$.

Table S4. Traceless part of the magnetic susceptibility tensor ($\text{\AA}^3$ in SI units) for $[\text{Yb.L}^1]$ extracted from the paramagnetic shifts ($\pm 0.002 \text{\AA}^3$) using the geometry of Λ - $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$ conformer and computed by CASSCF ($T=300.2 \text{ K}$) for various structures. Axiality, rhombicity ($\text{\AA}^3$ in SI units) and Euler angles in degrees are shown for convenience.

	fit			Λ - $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$			Λ - $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda+\text{H}_2\text{O}$			Λ - $\delta\delta\delta\delta$			Λ - $\delta\delta\delta\delta+\text{H}_2\text{O}$		
χ	-0.028	0.014	-0.000	0.297	0.093	0.028	0.110	-0.027	0.006	0.198	0.072	0.016	0.114	0.037	0.018
	0.014	-0.056	0.009	0.093	0.156	-0.005	-0.027	0.309	-0.026	0.072	0.263	0.002	0.037	0.318	-0.011
	-0.000	0.009	0.084	0.028	-0.005	0.047	0.006	-0.026	0.097	0.016	0.002	0.034	0.018	-0.011	0.081
ax	0.127			0.268			0.215			0.218			0.231		
rh	0.021			0.036			0.007			0.060			0.024		
α	[58 4 54]			[26 86 167]			[98 97 349]			[57 88 354]			[260 88 208]		

Table S5. Optimized geometry (M06-2X/cc-pVDZ SMD(water)) of $[\text{Yb.L}^1]$ conformers with and without explicit water molecules.

	Λ - $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$			Λ - $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda+\text{H}_2\text{O}$			Λ - $\delta\delta\delta\delta$			Λ - $\delta\delta\delta\delta+\text{H}_2\text{O}$		
Yb	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
C	0.6036	-2.9922	-0.7562	0.4335	-2.9843	-0.8650	2.7919	1.3516	-0.6211	1.4613	-2.7929	-0.3932
C	-0.3207	3.0491	-0.7863	-0.3981	3.0969	-0.6875	-2.8824	-1.2097	-0.5986	-1.2907	2.9084	-0.4573
C	-2.9966	-0.4386	-0.8640	-3.0461	-0.4153	-0.7311	1.3129	-2.8159	-0.6334	-2.8397	-1.3713	-0.4828
O	0.8620	-3.9989	-1.4268	0.6126	-3.9702	-1.5878	3.6681	2.0309	-1.1686	2.2394	-3.6548	-0.8220
O	0.9798	-1.7994	-1.0336	0.8158	-1.7881	-1.1348	1.5471	1.3621	-0.9303	1.4369	-1.5697	-0.7739
O	-3.9933	-0.6596	-1.5634	-4.0405	-0.5369	-1.4555	2.0073	-3.6919	-1.1625	-3.7368	-2.0717	-0.9719
O	-0.4029	4.0417	-1.5207	-0.5378	4.1028	-1.3905	-3.8007	-1.7337	-1.2442	-1.9100	3.8158	-1.0267
O	-0.7093	1.8681	-1.0969	-0.7852	1.9137	-1.0079	-1.6396	-1.2682	-0.9049	-1.2976	1.6765	-0.8110
O	-1.7924	-0.7678	-1.1596	-1.8748	-0.8686	-0.9908	1.2822	-1.5839	-0.9859	-1.6024	-1.4242	-0.8010
N	2.0733	0.0000	1.5536	2.0643	0.0000	1.4752	-0.0285	2.0854	1.3986	2.0868	0.0000	1.5266
N	-0.0060	-2.0556	1.4472	-0.0300	-2.0773	1.3915	2.0911	0.0000	1.3696	-0.0131	-2.0809	1.4980
N	-2.0829	-0.0074	1.3899	-2.0618	0.0106	1.4824	0.0273	-2.0915	1.3920	-2.0908	-0.0093	1.4626
N	0.0156	2.0630	1.4591	0.0275	2.0668	1.5167	-2.0900	0.0061	1.4503	0.0171	2.0902	1.5137
N	2.0761	0.8814	-1.0372	2.0473	0.9877	-1.0713	-1.4071	1.7255	-1.0488	1.8377	1.4635	-0.8393
C	1.9138	-1.0143	2.6171	1.9328	-1.0461	2.5135	1.3236	2.2988	1.9754	2.2598	-1.3230	2.1745
C	1.3044	-2.2993	2.0877	1.3132	-2.3187	1.9656	1.9460	0.9984	2.4544	0.9341	-1.9050	2.6190
C	-1.0636	-1.9975	2.4785	-1.0309	-2.0186	2.4782	2.3352	-1.3373	1.9578	-1.3613	-2.3308	2.0513
C	-2.3291	-1.3589	1.9419	-2.3105	-1.3449	2.0238	1.0483	-1.9686	2.4586	-2.0129	-1.0412	2.5219
C	-2.0032	0.9965	2.4689	-1.9526	0.9918	2.5777	-1.3031	-2.3035	2.0055	-2.2861	1.3124	2.0947
C	-1.3528	2.2824	1.9879	-1.3191	2.2830	2.0967	-1.8877	-1.0025	2.5210	-0.9685	1.8653	2.6005
C	0.9703	1.9709	2.5849	1.0178	1.9445	2.6057	-2.3128	1.3252	2.0880	1.3416	2.3259	2.1308
C	2.2788	1.3350	2.1575	2.3071	1.3138	2.1174	-1.0014	1.9624	2.5124	1.9843	1.0281	2.5917
C	-0.2595	-3.1486	0.4962	-0.3398	-3.1612	0.4444	3.2039	0.3762	0.4796	0.4125	-3.1993	0.6422
C	-3.1720	0.3137	0.4556	-3.1733	0.3530	0.5821	0.3630	-3.2123	0.4957	-3.2087	-0.3138	0.5551
C	0.3548	3.1936	0.5779	0.3328	3.2130	0.6484	-3.2501	-0.3689	0.6217	-0.3951	3.2638	0.7252
C	3.2368	-0.3330	0.7164	3.2097	-0.3231	0.5999	-0.3759	3.2395	0.5411	3.2752	0.2539	0.6900
C	3.2651	0.5044	-0.5352	3.2406	0.5939	-0.5926	-1.4647	2.9264	-0.4534	3.0579	1.3681	-0.2937
C	4.4608	0.8474	-1.1563	4.4330	1.0204	-1.1665	-2.4625	3.8457	-0.7732	4.0883	2.2423	-0.6417
C	4.4329	1.6008	-2.3265	4.3958	1.8803	-2.2616	-3.4268	3.5004	-1.7121	3.8407	3.2473	-1.5643
C	3.2084	2.0064	-2.8620	3.1661	2.3161	-2.7606	-3.3676	2.2598	-2.3617	2.5678	3.3735	-2.1388
C	2.0646	1.5953	-2.1748	2.0285	1.8227	-2.1192	-2.3152	1.4248	-1.9942	1.6156	2.4404	-1.7396
C	3.0720	2.8882	-4.0990	3.0067	3.3148	-3.9046	-4.4558	1.7945	-3.3256	2.2508	4.5009	-3.1161
C	2.5972	4.2792	-3.6548	2.5446	4.6548	-3.3097	-3.9907	0.6058	-4.1738	0.8108	4.4212	-3.6269
C	4.4059	3.0238	-4.8350	4.3264	3.5237	-4.6486	-5.6590	1.3522	-2.4760	2.4460	5.8409	-2.3904
C	2.0359	2.2838	-5.0586	1.9485	2.8151	-4.9007	-4.8749	2.9347	-4.2606	3.2095	4.4198	-4.3124
H	1.2686	-0.5869	3.3969	1.3108	-0.6414	3.3229	1.2697	3.0052	2.8216	2.9302	-1.2373	3.0473
H	2.8896	-1.2285	3.0885	2.9213	-1.2752	2.9491	1.9571	2.7684	1.2122	2.7575	-1.9997	1.4682
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H	1.1988	-3.0306	2.9071	1.2544	-3.0738	2.7685	1.3243	0.5562	3.2443	0.4692	-1.2391	3.3586
H	-0.6769	-1.4155	3.3268	-0.5922	-1.4599	3.3160	3.0556	-1.2700	2.7916	-1.3083	-3.0325	2.9029
H	-1.2897	-3.0094	2.8583	-1.2560	-3.0339	2.8491	2.7950	-1.9731	1.1892	-1.9730	-2.8151	1.2807
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H	-3.0926	-1.3142	2.7380	-3.0235	-1.2958	2.8652	0.6282	-1.3617	3.2710	-1.4455	-0.6263	3.3643
H	-1.4250	0.5644	3.2978	-1.3456	0.5448	3.3771	-1.2382	-3.0263	2.8375	-2.9972	1.2423	2.9364
H	-3.0099	1.2223	2.8626	-2.9464	1.2080	3.0086	-1.9657	-2.7438	1.2487	-2.7345	1.9918	1.3575
H	-1.9575	2.7313	1.1870	-1.9502	2.7451	1.3248	-2.8493	-1.2083	3.0226	-1.1493	2.8129	3.1380
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H	0.5024	1.3760	3.3815	0.5767	1.3267	3.3992	-2.9645	1.2254	2.9736	1.2495	3.0011	3.0004
H	1.1649	2.9733	3.0045	1.2331	2.9330	3.0481	-2.8403	1.9702	1.3750	1.9803	2.8367	1.4003
H	2.7821	1.9752	1.4195	2.7902	1.9731	1.3834	-1.2019	2.9567	2.9477	2.9864	1.2479	3.0000
H	2.9559	1.2592	3.0262	3.0120	1.2021	2.9590	-0.5349	1.3571	3.3004	1.3979	0.5995	3.4144
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H	1.4406	3.2131	0.3921	1.4098	3.2392	0.4190	-3.7184	0.5451	0.2230	0.4961	3.7449	0.2931
H	0.0839	4.1586	1.0375	0.0768	4.1711	1.1311	-4.0224	-0.8932	1.2089	-0.8942	4.0232	1.3501
H	3.1643	-1.3882	0.4165	3.1013	-1.3568	0.2417	0.5205	3.5029	-0.0380	3.4771	-0.6573	0.1100
H	4.1781	-0.2047	1.2784	4.1601	-0.2552	1.1564	-0.6579	4.1124	1.1527	4.1588	0.4667	1.3154

H	5.4071	0.5326	-0.7164	5.3828	0.6882	-0.7478	-2.4933	4.8091	-0.2646	5.0667	2.1356	-0.1737
H	5.3740	1.8789	-2.8012	5.3323	2.2179	-2.7053	-4.2336	4.2020	-1.9293	4.6382	3.9448	-1.8278
H	3.3098	4.7270	-2.9451	3.2945	5.0500	-2.6072	-3.8102	-0.2887	-3.5596	0.0805	4.5029	-2.8071
H	1.6122	4.2235	-3.1692	1.5918	4.5408	-2.7702	-3.0697	0.8430	-4.7283	0.6230	3.4781	-4.1630
H	2.5160	4.9447	-4.5285	2.4006	5.3933	-4.1139	-4.7752	0.3547	-4.9026	0.6289	5.2500	-4.3263
H	4.2740	3.6828	-5.7054	4.1671	4.2224	-5.4828	-6.4854	1.0304	-3.1291	2.2266	6.6743	-3.0753
H	4.7624	2.0473	-5.1985	4.7096	2.5780	-5.0616	-6.0202	2.1750	-1.8400	3.4794	5.9575	-2.0309
H	5.1873	3.4629	-4.1985	5.0989	3.9546	-3.9949	-5.3794	0.5056	-1.8284	1.7686	5.9166	-1.5255
H	1.9662	2.9055	-5.9637	1.8919	3.5072	-5.7543	-5.6487	2.5738	-4.9544	2.9941	5.2354	-5.0195
H	1.0357	2.2486	-4.5997	0.9461	2.7723	-4.4480	-4.0207	3.2935	-4.8549	3.0953	3.4624	-4.8433
H	2.3216	1.2647	-5.3614	2.2035	1.8149	-5.2841	-5.2975	3.7875	-3.7103	4.2589	4.5156	-3.9962
H	1.0755	1.8408	-2.5605	1.0416	2.1274	-2.4597	-2.1875	0.4470	-2.4551	0.6075	2.4723	-2.1504
H	-3.1429	1.3864	0.2099	-3.1379	1.4227	0.3313	-0.5582	-3.5465	-0.0041	-3.4501	0.5947	-0.0162
H	-4.1627	0.0960	0.8872	-4.1532	0.1470	1.0453	0.7781	-4.0693	1.0507	-4.1112	-0.6250	1.1068
O				-0.3756	0.2139	-3.2705				-0.0601	-0.0024	-2.5241
H				0.1576	0.7222	-3.8990				-0.6690	0.7317	-2.7120
H				-0.6875	0.8918	-2.6427				0.7600	0.2396	-2.9817

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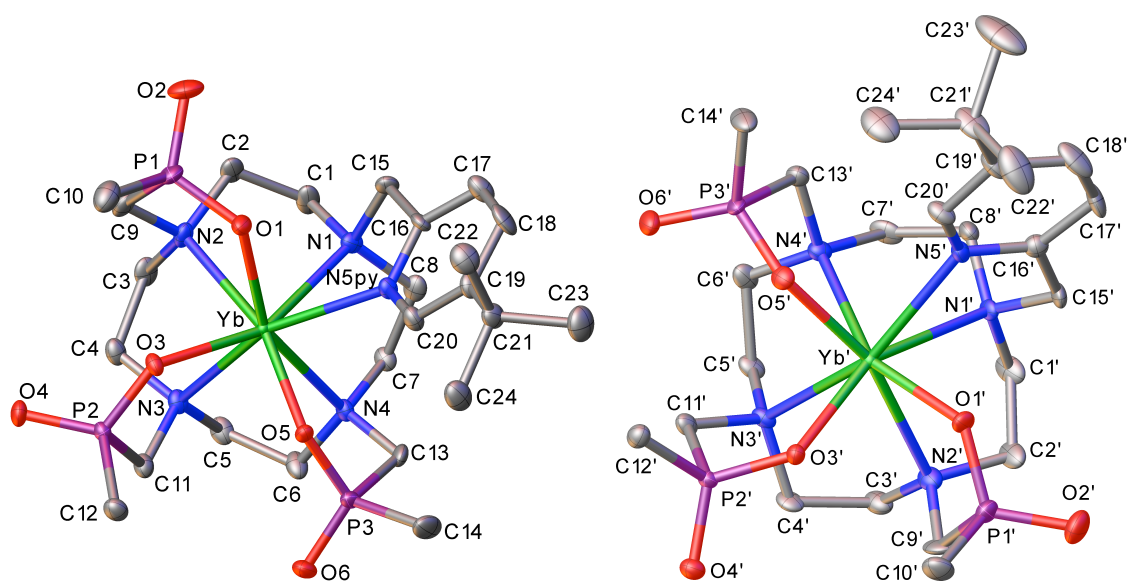


Figure S19. X-ray molecular structure of $[\text{Yb.L}^2]$, showing the two independent enantiomeric molecules. Thermal ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level; H atoms are omitted for clarity.

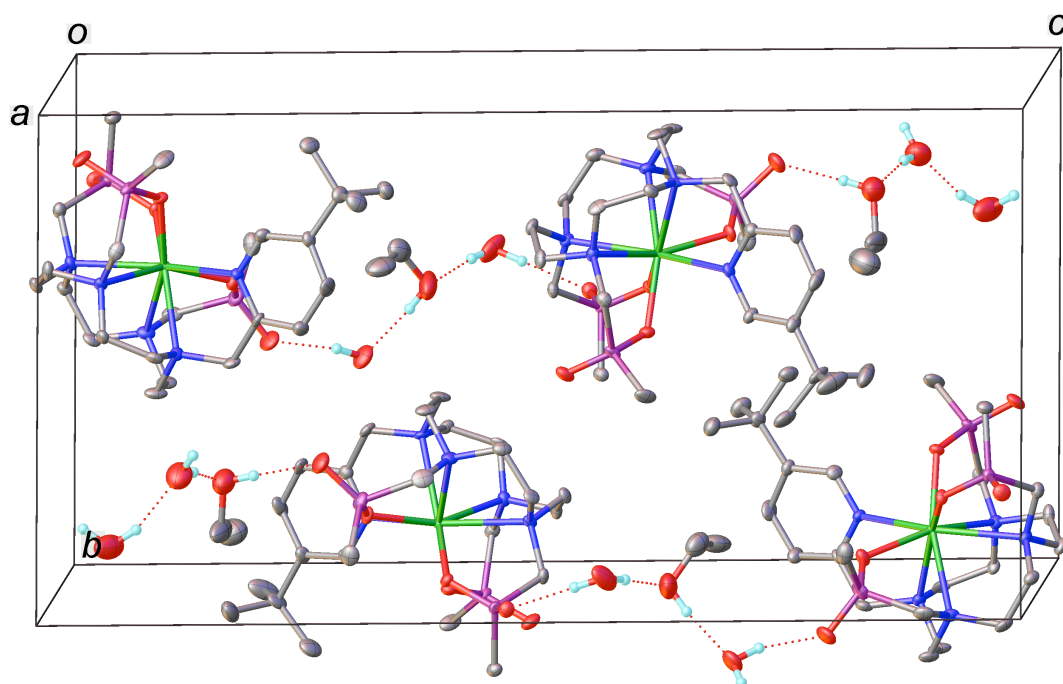


Figure S20. Crystal packing of $[\text{Yb}.\text{L}^2]$, showing hydrogen bonds. H atoms are omitted, except those of hydroxyl groups and water.

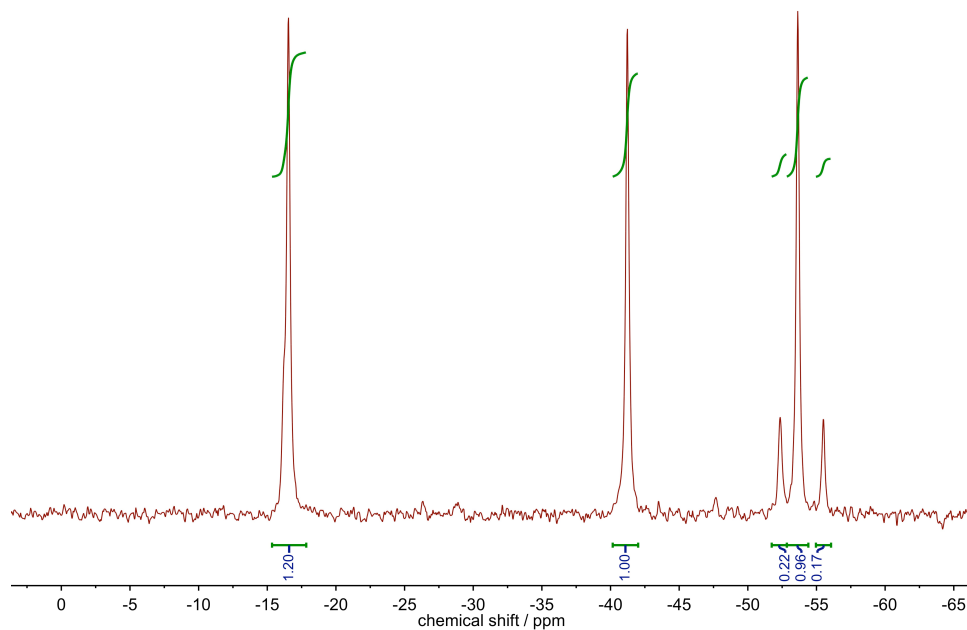


Figure S21. $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR spectra of $[\text{Yb}.\text{L}^2]$ (9.4 T, D_2O , pD 6, 298 K) showing the major and minor isomers in a 5:1 ratio (the resonance at -16.5 ppm contains overlapping signals).

Table S6. Assigned paramagnetic shifts of major conformer of $[\text{Yb}.\text{L}^2]$ protons (4.7 T, D_2O , 295 K) and phosphorus atoms.

Label	Shift, ppm	Width, Hz	R_1, s^{-1}	Diamagnetic reference, ppm
py6	115.60	160	332	8.60
c5ax	115.60	160	332	3.41
c3ax	85.57	137	248	3.41
c7ax	54.18	130	277	3.37
c4eq	50.90	79	101	2.50
c5eq	50.02	64	100	2.31
c1ax	36.30	136	250	3.51
c4ax	33.43	106	270	3.53

c3eq	27.07	72	89	2.40
c6eq	21.09	84	92	2.48
py4	18.98	53	9.8	7.97
tBu	16.33	45	11.1	1.24
a2eq	11.99	63	63	2.59
py3	6.12	47	18	7.35
c7eq	1.92	74	81	2.29
Me3	-9.37	70	42	1.26
Me1	-9.37	70	42	1.26
c6ax	-9.37	70	42	3.53
c2eq	-14.40	54	61	2.59
c8eq	-13.81	66	68	2.43
c1eq	-18.60	81	64	2.47
Me2	-26.27	63	38	1.44
a3eq	-27.00	55	50	2.78
apeq	-28.33	77	50	3.65
a1eq	-28.73	58	54	2.59
a2ax	-38.66	130	183	3.61
a1ax	-40.47	104	149	3.43
c8ax	-30.71	106	186	2.98
a3ax	-49.94	102	172	3.41
apax	-64.10	101	182	4.55
c2ax	-76.41	92	135	3.58
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P2	-16.54	-	-	43.30
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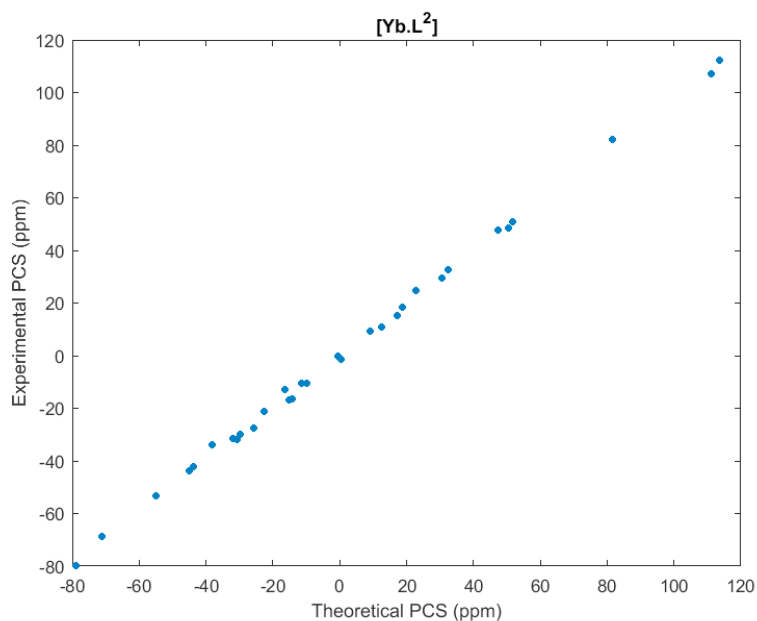


Figure S22. Comparison of the observed and the best fit PCS values for $[\text{Yb.L}^2]$.

Table S7. Traceless part of the magnetic susceptibility tensor ($\text{\AA}^3$ in SI units) for $[\text{Yb.L}^2]$ extracted from the paramagnetic shifts ($\pm 0.001 \text{ \AA}^3$) using the geometry of Λ - $\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$ conformer and computed by CASSCF ($T=300.2 \text{ K}$) for various structures. Axiality, rhombicity ($\text{\AA}^3$ in SI units) and Euler angles in degrees are shown for convenience.

	fit			(RRR)- Λ -($\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$)			(RRR)- Λ -($\lambda\lambda\lambda\lambda$)+ H_2O		
χ	-0.017	0.015	-0.037	0.150	0.026	-0.052	0.140	0.022	-0.043
	0.015	-0.043	0.002	0.026	0.127	-0.017	0.022	0.121	0.009
	-0.037	0.002	0.060	-0.052	-0.017	0.232	-0.043	0.009	0.250
ax	0.113			0.139			0.142		
rh	0.016			0.016			0.024		
α	[185 23 300]			[204 29 111]			[358 161 226]		

Table S8. DFT (M06-2X/cc-pVDZ SMD(water)) optimized geometry of [Yb.L²] used for the fitting.

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P1	0.71371	-3.23288	-0.85119
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