

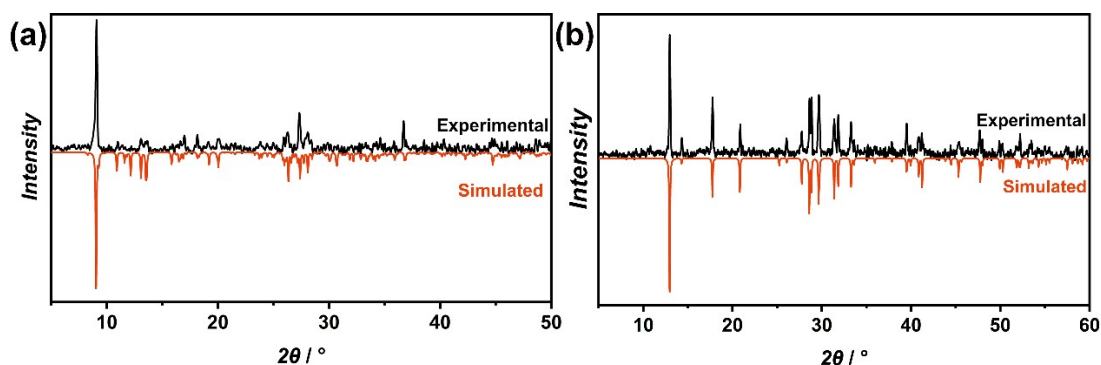
## **Supporting Information**

### **Magnetocaloric Effect of Two Gd-based Frameworks**

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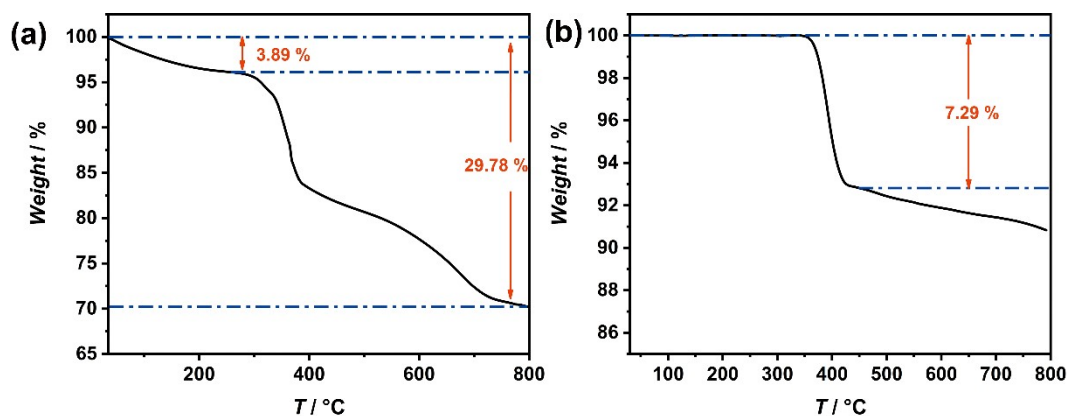
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## Experimental Section



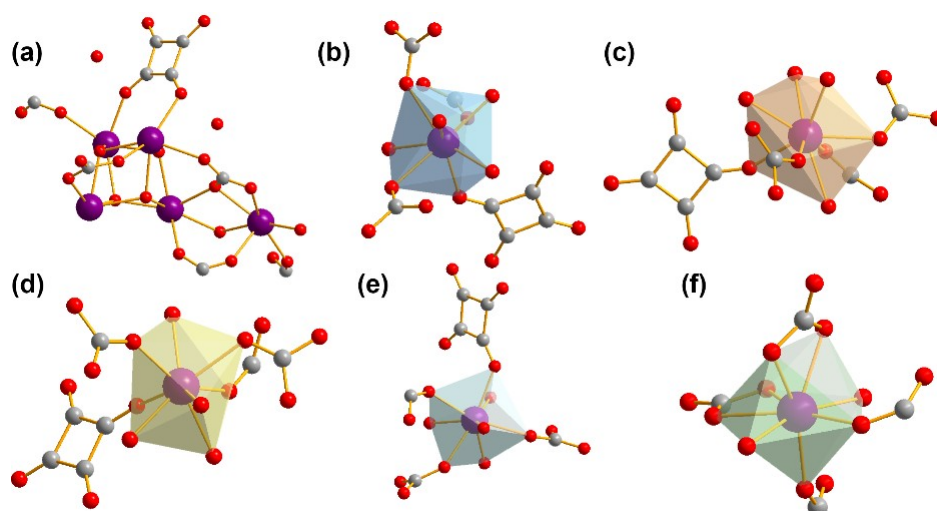
**Figure S1.** PXRD patterns for **1** (a) and **2** (b).

The PXRD patterns are consistent with the simulated ones based on the single-crystal structure determinations, suggesting the phase purity of **1** and **2**.

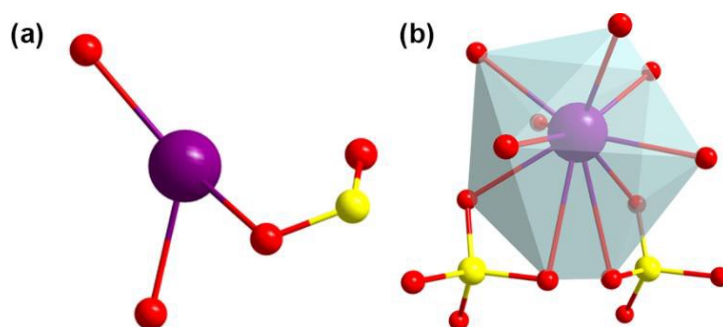


**Figure S2.** TGA curve of **1** (a) and **2** (b).

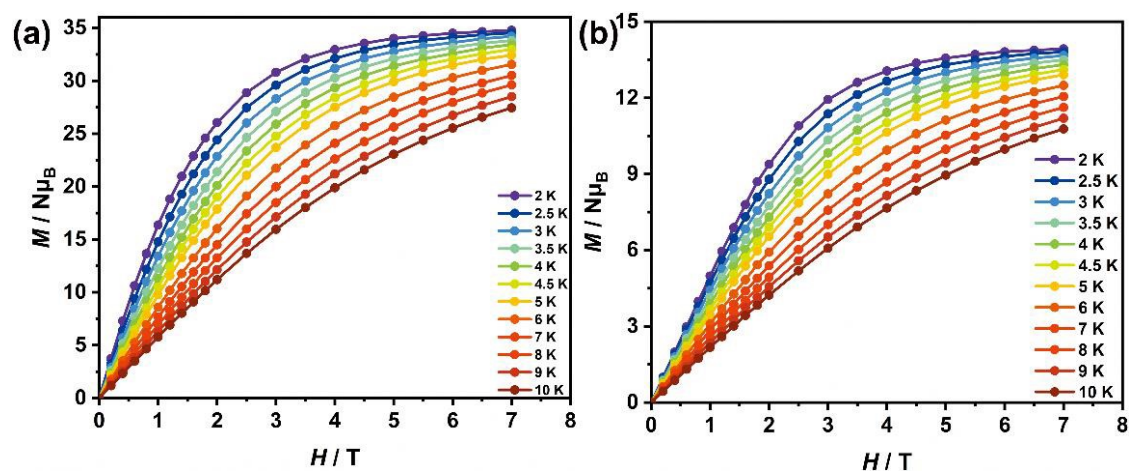
The TGA curve of **1** and **2** was carried out under  $N_2$  atmosphere. With temperature rising, **1** lost weight sustainedly, while **2** remained stable up to 350 °C. By the end of 265 °C, the weight loss of **1** is up to 3.89 %, attributed to the loss of 2.5  $H_2O$ . The final weight loss is up to 29.78 %, which matches the theoretical value 30.31 % calculated for  $Gd_2O_3$  as the residue. For **2**, when the temperature was raised to 430 °C, the weight loss of 7.29% matches well with that of 7.52% calculated by two  $H_2O$  indicating that the residue is  $Gd_2O_2SO_4$  at 430 °C. As the temperature rising up, the decrease of the curve attributes to the decomposition of  $SO_4^{2-}$ . Due to the limitations of the instrument, the following process will not be discussed.



**Figure S3.** (a) Asymmetric unit of **1**; Coordination environment of  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  in **1**: Gd1 (b), Gd2 (c), Gd3 (d), Gd4 (e), Gd5 (f). (Purple: Gd; Red: O; Grey: C)



**Figure S4.** (a) Asymmetric unit of **2**; (b) Coordination environment of  $\text{Gd}^{3+}$  in **2**. (Purple: Gd; Red: O; Yellow: S)



**Figure S5.** Plot of field-dependent magnetizations at 2–10 K for **1** (a) and **2** (b).

**Table S1.** BVS [1] calculations for oxygen atoms in the main structure of **1**.

| Atom | Bond  | $R_{ij}$ | $R_0$ | $S_{ij}$ | Assignment      |
|------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-----------------|
| O1   | Gd–O  | 2.436    | 2.031 | 0.335    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.400    |       | 0.369    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.353    |       | 0.419    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.123    |                 |
| O2   | Gd–O  | 2.438    | 2.031 | 0.333    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.412    |       | 0.357    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.398    |       | 0.371    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.061    |                 |
| O4   | Gd–O  | 2.399    | 2.031 | 0.370    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.372    |       | 0.398    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.358    |       | 0.413    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.181    |                 |
| O6   | Gd–O  | 2.426    | 2.031 | 0.344    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.411    |       | 0.358    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.372    |       | 0.398    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.100    |                 |
| O7   | Gd–O  | 2.422    | 2.031 | 0.348    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.422    |       | 0.348    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.416    |       | 0.353    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.048    |                 |
| O17  | Gd–O  | 2.406    | 2.031 | 0.363    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.384    |       | 0.385    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.383    |       | 0.386    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.134    |                 |

**Table S2.** BVS calculations for oxygen atoms in **2**.

| Atom | Bond  | $R_{ij}$ | $R_0$ | $S_{ij}$ | Assignment      |
|------|-------|----------|-------|----------|-----------------|
| O1   | Gd–O  | 2.439    | 2.031 | 0.332    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.439    |       | 0.332    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.399    |       | 0.370    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.034    |                 |
| O2   | Gd–O  | 2.385    | 2.031 | 0.384    | OH <sup>−</sup> |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.375    |       | 0.395    |                 |
|      | Gd–O  | 2.375    |       | 0.395    |                 |
|      | Total |          |       | 1.174    |                 |

The bond valence sum (BVS) analysis was used to determine the oxidation states of oxygen atoms in compound **1** and **2**. The calculation formula is  $S_{ij} = \exp[(R_0 - R_{ij})/b]$ , in which  $S_{ij}$  is the valence of the individual bond,  $R_{ij}$  is the observed bond length,  $R_0$  is a constant depended upon the bonded elements, and  $b$  is a constant of 0.37. As shown in Table S1 and Table S2, the total BVS values of O atoms are very close to the state of +1, for which we identify the states of all O atoms are assigned to hydroxyl groups.

**Table S3.** Crystal data for **1** and **2**.

| Compound                                                        | <b>1</b>                                                         | <b>2</b>                                        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Formula                                                         | C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>12</sub> Gd <sub>5</sub> O <sub>24.5</sub> | Gd <sub>2</sub> H <sub>4</sub> O <sub>8</sub> S |
| Formula weight                                                  | 1300.45                                                          | 478.59                                          |
| Temperature/K                                                   | 294                                                              | 100                                             |
| Crystal system                                                  | Monoclinic                                                       | Monoclinic                                      |
| Space group                                                     | <i>P2<sub>1</sub>/c</i>                                          | <i>C2/m</i>                                     |
| <i>a</i> / Å                                                    | 10.909 (2)                                                       | 13.832 (3)                                      |
| <i>b</i> / Å                                                    | 10.909 (2)                                                       | 3.650 (6)                                       |
| <i>c</i> / Å                                                    | 20.068 (3)                                                       | 6.268 (13)                                      |
| $\alpha$ / °                                                    | 90                                                               | 90                                              |
| $\beta$ / °                                                     | 101.748 (2)                                                      | 99.07 (2)                                       |
| $\gamma$ / °                                                    | 90                                                               | 90                                              |
| <i>V</i> / Å <sup>3</sup>                                       | 2342.02 (15)                                                     | 312.45 (11)                                     |
| <i>Z</i>                                                        | 4                                                                | 2                                               |
| <i>D<sub>c</sub></i> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>                       | 3.688                                                            | 5.087                                           |
| $\mu$ / mm <sup>-1</sup>                                        | 91.08                                                            | 139.16                                          |
| $\theta$ / °                                                    | 4.1–75.2                                                         | 6.5–72.2                                        |
| Observed reflections                                            | 13543                                                            | 1257                                            |
| <i>F</i> (000)                                                  | 2336                                                             | 424                                             |
| GOOF                                                            | 1.060                                                            | 1.117                                           |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>a</sup> | 0.029                                                            | 0.066                                           |
| <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> (All data) <sup>b</sup>                  | 0.071                                                            | 0.164                                           |

$$^a R_1 = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o| \quad ^b wR_2 = \{\sum[w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2] / \sum[w(F_o^2)^2]\}^{1/2}$$

**Table S4.** The Continuous Shape Measurements (CShM) [2] of 1.

|                       | <b>Gd</b>    |              |              |              |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                       | Gd1          | Gd2          | Gd3          | Gd4          | Gd5          |
| OP-8 ( $D_{8h}$ )     | 31.143       | 30.200       | 30.513       | 30.857       | 31.702       |
| HPY-8 ( $C_{7v}$ )    | 23.254       | 23.178       | 22.288       | 22.625       | 22.206       |
| HBPY-8 ( $D_{6h}$ )   | 14.389       | 14.825       | 15.391       | 15.972       | 16.370       |
| CU-8 ( $O_h$ )        | 7.986        | 8.494        | 9.450        | 9.914        | 14.878       |
| SAPR-8 ( $D_{4d}$ )   | 2.761        | 2.369        | <b>0.998</b> | <b>1.162</b> | 6.828        |
| TDD-8 ( $D_{2d}$ )    | <b>0.249</b> | <b>0.275</b> | 1.620        | 1.358        | 4.786        |
| JGBF-8 ( $D_{2d}$ )   | 14.802       | 14.523       | 15.750       | 14.956       | 14.217       |
| JETBPY-8 ( $D_{3h}$ ) | 28.673       | 28.951       | 28.533       | 28.784       | 25.037       |
| JBTP-8 ( $C_{2v}$ )   | 3.126        | 2.895        | 2.392        | 2.242        | 5.025        |
| BTPR-8 ( $C_{2v}$ )   | 2.593        | 2.412        | 1.546        | 1.483        | <b>4.142</b> |
| JSD-8 ( $D_{2d}$ )    | 3.002        | 2.829        | 4.629        | 4.060        | 6.501        |
| TT-8 ( $T_d$ )        | 8.849        | 9.335        | 10.074       | 10.585       | 15.611       |
| ETBPY-8 ( $D_{3h}$ )  | 24.758       | 24.628       | 23.570       | 24.051       | 21.351       |

OP-8 = Octagon,  $D_{8h}$ ; HPY-8 = Heptagonal pyramid,  $C_{7v}$ ; HBPY-8 = Hexagonal bipyramid,  $D_{6h}$ ;  
 CU-8 = Cube,  $O_h$ ; SAPR-8 = Square antiprism,  $D_{4d}$ ; TDD-8 = Triangular dodecahedron,  $D_{2d}$ ;  
 JGBF-8 = Johnson-Gyrobifastigium J26,  $D_{2d}$ ; JETBPY-8 = Johnson-Elongated triangular  
 bipyramid J14,  $D_{3h}$ ; JBTP-8 = Johnson-Biaugmented trigonal prism J50,  $C_{2v}$ ; BTPR-8 =  
 Biaugmented trigonal prism,  $C_{2v}$ ; JSD-8= Snub disphenoid J84,  $D_{2d}$ ; TT-8= Triakis tetrahedron,  
 $T_d$ ; ETBPY-8 =Elongated trigonal bipyramid,  $D_{3h}$ .

**Table S5.** The Continuous Shape Measurements (CShM) of **2**.

|                         | Gd           |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| DP-10 ( $D_{8h}$ )      | 32.174       |
| EPY-10 ( $C_{9v}$ )     | 18.989       |
| OBPY-10 ( $D_{8h}$ )    | 19.270       |
| PPR-10 ( $D_{5h}$ )     | 14.624       |
| PAPR-10 ( $D_{5d}$ )    | 14.707       |
| JBCCU-10 ( $D_{4h}$ )   | 18.264       |
| JBCSAPR-10 ( $D_{4d}$ ) | 12.582       |
| JMBIC-10 ( $C_{2v}$ )   | <b>5.163</b> |
| JATDI-10 ( $C_{3v}$ )   | 16.184       |
| JSPC-10 ( $C_{2v}$ )    | 9.240        |
| SDD-10 ( $D_2$ )        | 9.397        |
| TD-10 ( $C_{2v}$ )      | 9.325        |
| HD-10 ( $D_{4h}$ )      | 15.205       |

DP-10 = Decagon; EPY-10 = Enneagonal pyramid; OBPY-10 = Octagonal bipyramid; PPR-10 = Pentagonal prism; PAPR-10 = Pentagonal antiprism; JBCCU-10 = Bicapped cube; JBCSAPR-10 = Bicapped square antiprism; JMBIC-10 = Metabidiminshed icosahedron; JATDI-10 = Augmented tridiminshed icosahedron; JSPC-10 = Sphenocorona; SDD-10 = Staggered Dodecahedron; TD-10 = Tetradecahedron; HD-10 = Hexadecahedron.



**Table S6.** Selected bond distances (Å) and bond angles (°) of **1**.

|            |           |            |           |
|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Gd1—O1     | 2.436 (4) | O1—Gd2i    | 2.400 (4) |
| Gd1—O4i    | 2.399 (4) | O2—Gd4iv   | 2.412 (4) |
| Gd1—O5     | 2.412 (4) | O3—Gd4viii | 2.400 (4) |
| Gd1—O6     | 2.426 (4) | O3—Gd5iii  | 2.438 (4) |
| Gd1—O12    | 2.312 (5) | O4—Gd1iv   | 2.399 (4) |
| Gd1—O17    | 2.383 (4) | O6—Gd2iii  | 2.411 (4) |
| Gd1—O18ii  | 2.443 (4) | O7—Gd3v    | 2.416 (4) |
| Gd1—O21iii | 2.400 (5) | O7—Gd4ix   | 2.422 (4) |
| Gd2—O1iv   | 2.400 (4) | O8—Gd5iii  | 2.435 (5) |
| Gd2—O2     | 2.438 (4) | O9—Gd4ix   | 2.425 (5) |
| Gd2—O4     | 2.358 (4) | O10—Gd3v   | 2.425 (4) |
| Gd2—O6iii  | 2.411 (4) | O14—Gd3x   | 2.505 (4) |
| Gd2—O8     | 2.392 (5) | O14—Gd4iv  | 2.516 (5) |
| Gd2—O13    | 2.307 (5) | O17—Gd3i   | 2.406 (4) |
| Gd2—O15    | 2.425 (5) | O18—Gd1xi  | 2.443 (4) |
| Gd2—O18iv  | 2.459 (4) | O18—Gd2i   | 2.459 (4) |
| Gd3—O2     | 2.398 (4) | O19—Gd3v   | 2.426 (5) |
| Gd3—O4     | 2.372 (4) | O21—Gd1iii | 2.400 (5) |
| Gd3—O7v    | 2.416 (4) | Gd4—O14i   | 2.516 (5) |
| Gd3—O10v   | 2.425 (4) | Gd4—O17    | 2.384 (4) |
| Gd3—O11    | 2.418 (5) | Gd4—O22    | 2.445 (5) |
| Gd3—O14vi  | 2.505 (4) | Gd5—O3iii  | 2.438 (4) |
| Gd3—O17iv  | 2.406 (4) | Gd5—O5     | 2.432 (5) |
| Gd3—O19v   | 2.426 (5) | Gd5—O6     | 2.372 (4) |
| Gd4—O1     | 2.353 (4) | Gd5—O7     | 2.422 (4) |
| Gd4—O2i    | 2.412 (4) | Gd5—O8iii  | 2.435 (5) |
| Gd4—O3viii | 2.400 (4) | Gd5—O10    | 2.432 (4) |
| Gd4—O7vii  | 2.422 (4) | Gd5—O16    | 2.320 (5) |

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|-------------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| Gd4—O9vii         | 2.425 (5)   | Gd5—O20        | 2.298 (6)   |
| Gd2i—O1—Gd1       | 104.37 (14) | Gd5—O6—Gd1     | 111.93 (16) |
| Gd4—O1—Gd1        | 106.04 (15) | Gd5—O6—Gd2iii  | 110.32 (16) |
| Gd4—O1—Gd2i       | 108.67 (16) | Gd3v—O7—Gd4ix  | 116.37 (16) |
| Gd3—O2—Gd2        | 104.74 (15) | Gd3v—O7—Gd5    | 109.34 (16) |
| Gd3—O2—Gd4iv      | 107.38 (15) | Gd5—O7—Gd4ix   | 107.25 (15) |
| Gd4iv—O2—Gd2      | 105.54 (15) | Gd2—O8—Gd5iii  | 108.81 (17) |
| Gd4viii—O3—Gd5iii | 107.46 (17) | Gd3v—O10—Gd5   | 108.68 (16) |
| Gd2—O4—Gd1iv      | 106.86 (15) | Gd3x—O14—Gd4iv | 109.93 (17) |
| Gd2—O4—Gd3        | 108.14 (16) | Gd1—O17—Gd3i   | 105.60 (15) |
| Gd3—O4—Gd1iv      | 106.20 (15) | Gd1—O17—Gd4    | 106.75 (16) |
| Gd1—O5—Gd5        | 110.33 (17) | Gd4—O17—Gd3i   | 108.02 (16) |
| Gd2iii—O6—Gd1     | 110.86 (16) | Gd1xi—O18—Gd2i | 108.69 (16) |

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Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, -y+1/2, z+1/2$ ; (ii)  $-x+1, y+1/2, -z+3/2$ ; (iii)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$ ; (iv)  $x, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ ; (v)  $-x+1, -y, -z+1$ ; (vi)  $-x, y-1/2, -z+1/2$ ; (vii)  $x-1, y, z$ ; (viii)  $-x, -y+1, -z+1$ ; (ix)  $x+1, y, z$ ; (x)  $-x, y+1/2, -z+1/2$ ; (xi)  $-x+1, y-1/2, -z+3/2$ .

**Table S7.** Selected bond distances (Å) and bond angles (°) of **2**.

|                 |            |               |            |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Gd1—O3ii        | 2.518 (10) | Gd1—O1v       | 2.439 (9)  |
| Gd1—O3          | 2.518 (10) | Gd1—O1        | 2.399 (15) |
| Gd1—O2iii       | 2.375 (8)  | Gd1—O1vi      | 2.439 (9)  |
| Gd1—O2iv        | 2.375 (8)  | Gd1—O2        | 2.385 (13) |
| Gd1i—O3—Gd1     | 92.9 (5)   | Gd1—O1—Gd1vi  | 109.0 (4)  |
| Gd1iii—O2—Gd1   | 110.8 (4)  | Gd1vi—O1—Gd1v | 96.8 (5)   |
| Gd1iv—O2—Gd1iii | 100.4 (5)  | Gd1—O1—Gd1v   | 109.0 (4)  |
| Gd1iv—O2—Gd1    | 110.8 (4)  |               |            |

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x, y-1, z$ ; (ii)  $x, y+1, z$ ; (iii)  $-x+3/2, -y+3/2, -z+1$ ; (iv)  $-x+3/2, -y+5/2, -z+1$ ; (v)  $-x+3/2, -y+3/2, -z+2$ ; (vi)  $-x+3/2, -y+5/2, -z+2$ .

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