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viously (Goher, Youssef, Zhou & Mak, 1993). It is important to determine the precise crystal structure of the various metal complexes of quinolinic acid and its anions in order to relate the effects of this metabolite and/or related compounds on many physiological processes involving metal enzymes. The crystal structure of quinolinic acid itself has been determined by both X-ray analysis (Takusagawa, Hirotsu & Shimada, 1973) and neutron analysis (Kvick, Koetzle, Thomas & Tagusagawa, 1974; Takusagawa & Koetzle, 1978). We report herein the structure of bis(pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylato-*N,O*)copper(II), (II).

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## Bis(pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylato-*N,O*)-copper(II)

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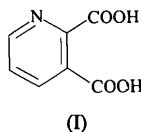
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### Abstract

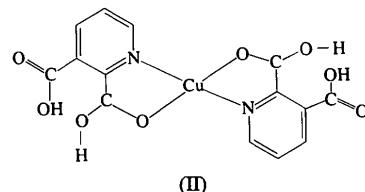
The coordination geometry of the Cu atom in the title compound, [Cu(C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>], is distorted octahedral and the molecule displays crystallographic inversion symmetry. The Cu atom is bonded to a carboxylate O atom (at the pyridine 2 position) and the pyridine N atom of two ligands, the four atoms forming the equatorial plane, and via weaker axial contacts to two carboxylic acid O atoms (at the pyridine 3 position) of adjacent molecules. Strands of molecules are thus linked parallel to the *x* axis and hydrogen bonds link the strands parallel to the *y* axis.

### Comment

Pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylic acid, (I), also known as quinolinic acid, is a neurotoxic tryptophan metabolite, a precursor of nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, and an agonist of the *N*-methyl-D-aspartate receptor (Kalish, Jhamandas, Boegman & Beninger, 1994; Espey, Moffett & Namboodiri, 1995; Mawatari, Oshida, Iinuma



& Watanabe, 1995). Its anion forms chelate complexes with Mn, Co, Ni and Zn; the crystal structures of the complexes with Ni and Mn have been reported pre-



The molecular structure of (II) is shown in Fig. 1. The Cu atom displays distorted octahedral geometry. It lies on an inversion centre, bonded to two pyridine N atoms [Cu(1)–N(1) 1.969 (3) Å] and two carboxylate O(1) atoms of the carboxylate groups in the pyridine 2 positions [Cu(1)–O(1) 1.926 (3) Å], which form the equatorial plane. It is bonded more weakly to two O(4) atoms of the carboxylic acid groups at the pyridine 3 positions of adjacent molecules [Cu(1)···O(4)(–1 + *x*, *y*, *z*) and Cu(1)···O(4)(1 – *x*, –*y*, 1 – *z*) 2.660 (3) Å] in the axial directions. The carboxylate group in position 2 is almost parallel to the pyridine ring plane [O(1)–

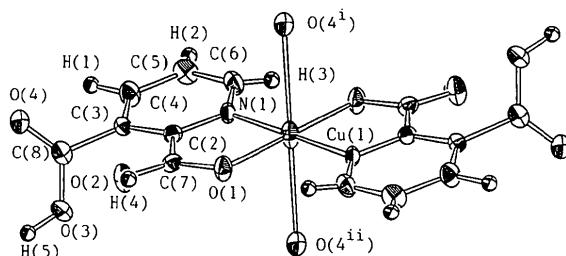


Fig. 1. An ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) drawing of the title compound with the atomic numbering scheme. Ellipsoids correspond to 50% probability and H atoms are drawn as circles of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (i) 1 – *x*, –*y*, 1 – *z*; (ii) –1 + *x*, *y*, *z*.]

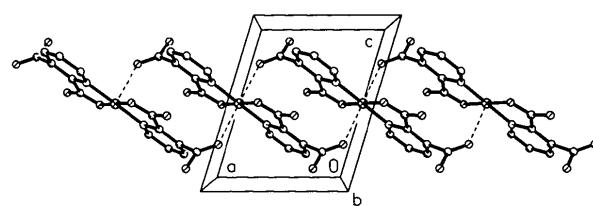


Fig. 2. A view of the weak axial contacts (dashed lines) linking molecules parallel to the *x* axis.

C(7)—C(2)—N(1)  $-6.0(5)^\circ$ , whereas the carboxylic acid group in position 3 is nearly perpendicular to it [O(4)—C(8)—C(3)—C(4)  $-70.9(6)^\circ$ ]. Weak Cu $\cdots$ O interactions link the molecules into chains parallel to the  $x$  axis (Fig. 2), whereas parallel stacking of these chains in the  $y$  direction is achieved via hydrogen bonds between the carboxylate and carboxylic acid groups; O(3)—H(4) $\cdots$ O(2)( $\frac{1}{2} + x, -\frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ) 2.646(4) Å.

## Experimental

The title crystal was obtained by slow evaporation of a 50% 1-propanol/water solution of a mixture of quinolinic acid and CuCl<sub>2</sub>·2NH<sub>4</sub>Cl·2H<sub>2</sub>O (molar ratio 5:1) at room temperature and pH 7.0.

### Crystal data

[Cu(C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>5</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]

$M_r = 397.78$

Monoclinic

$P2_1/n$

$a = 6.730(3)$  Å

$b = 12.887(3)$  Å

$c = 8.274(2)$  Å

$\beta = 107.26(2)^\circ$

$V = 685.3(3)$  Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.918$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

$D_m$  not measured

### Data collection

Rigaku AFC-5R diffractometer

$\theta_{\max} = 27.5^\circ$

$h = 0 \rightarrow 8$

$k = 0 \rightarrow 16$

$\omega-2\theta$  scans

$l = -10 \rightarrow 9$

Absorption correction:

none

1790 measured reflections

3 standard reflections

1657 independent reflections

monitored every 150

1069 observed reflections

reflections

$[I > 3\sigma(I)]$

frequency: 137 min

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.030$

intensity decay: none

### Refinement

Refinement on  $F$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.002$

$R = 0.041$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.37$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$wR = 0.051$

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.50$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$S = 1.56$

Extinction correction: none

1069 reflections

Atomic scattering factors

127 parameters

from *International Tables*

H atoms not refined

for X-ray Crystallography

$w = 4F_o^2/\sigma^2(F_o^2)$

(1974, Vol. IV)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters (Å<sup>2</sup>)

$$B_{\text{eq}} = (8\pi^2/3)\sum_i\sum_j U_{ij}a_i^*a_j^*\mathbf{a}_i\cdot\mathbf{a}_j$$

	$x$	$y$	$z$	$B_{\text{eq}}$
Cu(1)	0	0	1/2	2.14(3)
O(1)	0.1558(4)	-0.1245(2)	0.4938(4)	2.0(1)
O(2)	0.4766(4)	-0.1901(2)	0.5785(4)	2.1(1)
O(3)	0.7481(5)	-0.1499(3)	0.9302(4)	2.6(1)

O(4)	0.9365(5)	-0.0837(3)	0.7743(4)	2.5(1)
N(1)	0.2696(5)	0.0525(3)	0.6433(4)	1.5(1)
C(2)	0.4193(6)	-0.0215(3)	0.6724(5)	1.4(1)
C(3)	0.6186(6)	-0.0024(4)	0.7776(5)	1.5(1)
C(4)	0.6636(7)	0.0961(4)	0.8463(6)	2.1(2)
C(5)	0.5116(7)	0.1708(4)	0.8145(6)	2.2(2)
C(6)	0.3158(7)	0.1458(4)	0.7142(6)	2.0(2)
C(7)	0.3489(6)	-0.1210(3)	0.5759(5)	1.6(1)
C(8)	0.7858(6)	-0.0850(3)	0.8239(5)	1.7(2)

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cu(1)—O(1)	1.926(3)	N(1)—C(6)	1.328(6)
Cu(1)—N(1)	1.969(3)	C(2)—C(3)	1.387(5)
Cu(1)—O(4')	2.660(3)	C(2)—C(7)	1.511(5)
O(1)—C(7)	1.276(5)	C(3)—C(4)	1.387(6)
O(2)—C(7)	1.233(5)	C(3)—C(8)	1.514(6)
O(3)—C(8)	1.293(6)	C(4)—C(5)	1.372(6)
O(4)—C(8)	1.201(5)	C(5)—C(6)	1.372(6)
N(1)—C(2)	1.356(5)		
O(1)—Cu(1)—O(4')	95.1(1)	N(1)—C(2)—C(7)	113.8(3)
O(1)—Cu(1)—O(4'')	84.9(1)	C(3)—C(2)—C(7)	125.1(4)
N(1)—Cu(1)—O(4'')	91.2(1)	C(2)—C(3)—C(4)	118.2(4)
N(1)—Cu(1)—O(1'')	88.8(1)	C(2)—C(3)—C(8)	122.8(4)
O(4')—Cu(1)—O(4'')	180.00	C(4)—C(3)—C(8)	119.0(3)
O(1)—Cu(1)—O(1'')	180.00	C(3)—C(4)—C(5)	120.0(4)
O(1)—Cu(1)—N(1)	83.7(1)	C(4)—C(5)—C(6)	118.5(4)
O(1)—Cu(1)—N(1'')	96.3(1)	N(1)—C(6)—C(5)	122.6(4)
N(1)—Cu(1)—N(1'')	180.00	O(1)—C(7)—O(2)	125.3(4)
Cu(1)—O(1)—C(7)	115.7(3)	O(1)—C(7)—C(2)	114.9(4)
Cu(1)—N(1)—C(2)	111.6(3)	O(2)—C(7)—C(2)	119.7(4)
Cu(1)—N(1)—C(6)	129.0(3)	O(3)—C(8)—O(4)	126.7(4)
C(2)—N(1)—C(6)	119.4(4)	O(3)—C(8)—C(3)	110.2(4)
N(1)—C(2)—C(3)	121.1(4)	O(4)—C(8)—C(3)	122.9(4)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x - 1, y, z$ ; (ii)  $1 - x, -y, 1 - z$ ; (iii)  $-x, -y, 1 - z$ .

All H atoms were located from difference Fourier maps. Pyridine H atoms were refined isotropically and included in the subsequent least-squares refinement, whereas atom H(4) of the carboxy group was not refined, but included in the subsequent refinement with a fixed isotropic displacement parameter.

Data collection: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988). Cell refinement: *MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software*. Data reduction: *TEXSAN* (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1985). Program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS86* (Sheldrick, 1985) and *DIRDIF* (Beurskens, 1984). Program(s) used to refine structure: *TEXSAN*. Molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976) and *XP* (Siemens, 1994).

Lists of structure factors, anisotropic displacement parameters, H-atom coordinates and complete geometry have been deposited with the IUCr (Reference: JZ1106). Copies may be obtained through The Managing Editor, International Union of Crystallography, 5 Abbey Square, Chester CH1 2HU, England.

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## Bis(2-amino-4-chloromethylthiazolium) Tetrachlorocuprate at 200 and 100 K and Bis(2-amino-4-methylthiazolium) Tetra-chlorocuprate at 100 K

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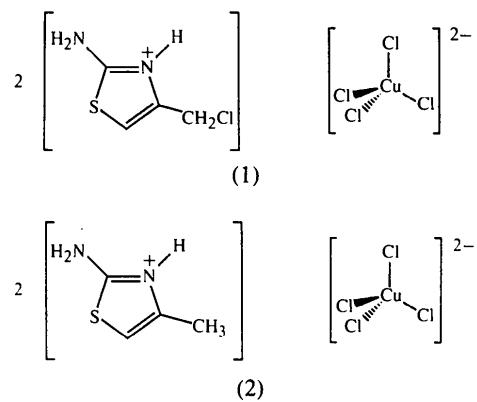
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### Abstract

The title compounds, (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>ClN<sub>2</sub>S)<sub>2</sub>[CuCl<sub>4</sub>] and (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>7</sub>N<sub>2</sub>S)<sub>2</sub>[CuCl<sub>4</sub>], show thermochromic properties. In both compounds, the thiazole ring is protonated at the N atom.

### Comment

Thermochromism is often associated with temperature-dependent changes in the coordination geometry of the chromophore (Bloomquist & Willett, 1982; Sone & Fukuda, 1987). The title compounds, (1) and (2), are



thermochromic coordination compounds; the thermochromism is expected to be caused by deformation of the [CuCl<sub>4</sub>]<sup>2-</sup> group as a function of temperature. The crystals are amber at room temperature and yellow between 120 and 77 K. The colour change with temperature is a reversible process. In this paper we report the crystal structure of compound (1) at 200 and 100 K and compound (2) at 100 K.

Comparison of the crystal structure of (2) at 100 K with that determined at 295 K (Fernández, Morán, Doadrio, Conradi, Willing & Müller, 1987) shows that the maximum angle difference in the anion is

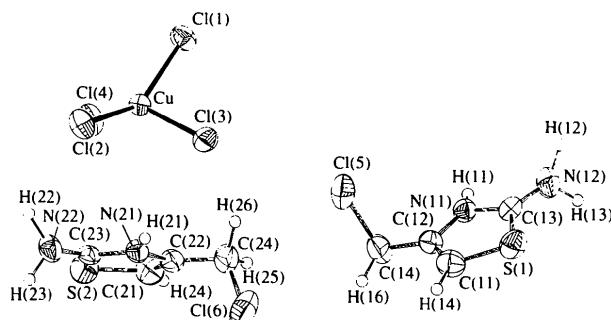


Fig. 1. EUCLID (Spek, 1982) plot of compound (1) at 200 K showing the atom-numbering scheme. The ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.

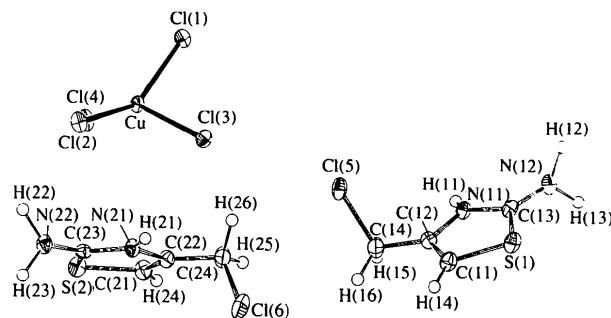


Fig. 2. EUCLID (Spek, 1982) plot of compound (1) at 100 K showing the atom-numbering scheme. The ellipsoids are drawn at 50% probability.