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Bis(methyl 3-pyridyl- κ N¹-carbamate)bis-(propionato- κ O)copper(II)-Water (4/1)

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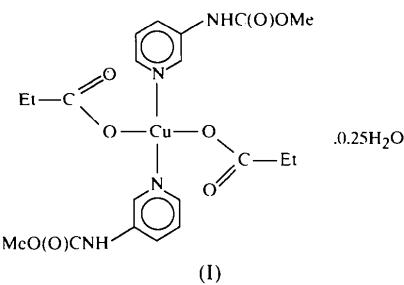
Abstract

The Cu^{II} centre in the title compound, [Cu(C₃H₅O₂)₂·(C₇H₈N₂O₂)₂]·0.25H₂O, is situated on an inversion centre and has tetragonally distorted coordination. It is bonded in a *trans*-square-planar arrangement to the pyridyl N atoms of two methyl 3-pyridylcarbamate molecules [Cu—N1 2.025 (2) Å] and one carboxylate O atom from each of two propionate anions [Cu—O1 1.955 (2) Å]. The axial positions are occupied by

the other propionate O atoms [Cu···O2 2.653 (2) Å]. The propionate groups exhibit very small O1—Cu···O2 chelate angles of 54.23 (8)°.

Comment

While dimeric Cu₂(propionate)₄(substituted pyridine)₂ species have been reported previously (Borel & Leclaire, 1976*a,b*, 1978; Borel *et al.*, 1976, 1981; Smolander *et al.*, 1992; Melník *et al.*, 1998), the monomeric analogues have not. We report here such a monomer, namely, bis(methyl 3-pyridylcarbamate)bis-(propionato)copper(II) 0.25-hydrate, (I).



The structure (Fig. 1) consists of discrete complex cations and H₂O molecules linked by hydrogen bonds [O4ⁱ···H8 2.520 Å and O2ⁱⁱ···H2 1.975 Å; symmetry codes: (i) $y, \frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - z$; (ii) $x, y, 1 + z$] and van der Waals forces. The stereochemistry around the Cu^{II} centre may be described as axially elongated octahedral. Molecules of the cation lie on a crystallographic inversion centre, with the Cu^{II} atom coordinated by the pyridyl N atoms of two different methyl 3-pyridylcarbamate molecules and by an O atom from each of the two propionate anions to give a square-planar arrangement, with Cu—N1 and Cu—O1 bond lengths of 2.025 (2) and 1.955 (2) Å, respectively. The remaining carboxylate O atoms in each propionate anion participates in much longer axial bonding [Cu—O2

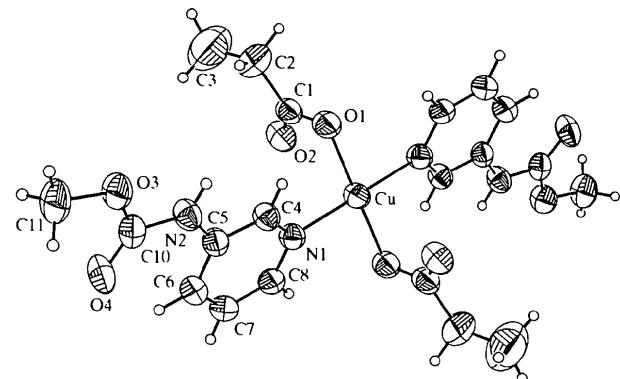


Fig. 1. A view of the title compound, without the hydrate molecule, showing displacement ellipsoids drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms are shown as spheres of arbitrary radii.

2.653 (2) Å] to complete a distorted octahedral environment around Cu^{II}. The C1—O1 and C1—O2 distances [1.268 (4) and 1.227 (4) Å, respectively] are significantly different.

The propionate chelate angle O1—Cu—O2 is very acute at 54.23 (8)°. When propionate is coordinated as a chelate, the mean Cu—O bond distance of 2.30 Å is about 0.33 Å longer than when coordinated in a *syn-syn* arrangement (Melník, 1982).

Experimental

The title compound was prepared by treating methyl 3-pyridylcarbamate (3.043 g, 0.02 mol) with copper(II) propionate (2.097 g, 0.01 mol) in hot methanol solution (50 ml). The crude product was recrystallized from methanol to give single crystals.

Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_3\text{H}_5\text{O}_2)_2(\text{C}_7\text{H}_8-\text{N}_2\text{O}_2)_2]\cdot 0.25\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 518.5$
Tetragonal
 $P4_2/n$
 $a = 20.674 (3)$ Å
 $c = 5.8040 (10)$ Å
 $V = 2480.7 (7)$ Å³
 $Z = 4$
 $D_x = 1.388 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
 $D_m = 1.40 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
 D_m measured by flotation in
 $\text{C}_6\text{H}_6/\text{CHBr}_3$

Cu $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\lambda = 1.54180$ Å
Cell parameters from 25 reflections
 $\theta = 4.5\text{--}12.9^\circ$
 $\mu = 1.648 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 293 (2)$ K
Square prism
 $0.45 \times 0.32 \times 0.25$ mm
Violet

Data collection

Syntex $P2_1$ diffractometer
 $\theta\text{--}2\theta$ scans
Absorption correction: none
2996 measured reflections
2640 independent reflections
1508 reflections with
 $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.079$

$\theta_{\text{max}} = 80.30^\circ$
 $h = -19 \rightarrow 26$
 $k = 0 \rightarrow 26$
 $l = 0 \rightarrow 7$
2 standard reflections
every 100 reflections
intensity decay: 15%

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.165$
 $S = 0.789$
2590 reflections
158 parameters
H atoms: riding model
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0802P)^2$
 $+ 2.2069P]$
where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.46 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.25 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
Extinction correction:
 $SHELXL93$
Extinction coefficient:
0.0013 (2)
Scattering factors from
*International Tables for
Crystallography* (Vol. C)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °)

Cu—O1	1.955 (2)	O3—C11	1.439 (4)
Cu—N1	2.025 (2)	N1—C4	1.330 (3)
O1—C1	1.268 (4)	N1—C8	1.342 (3)
O2—C1	1.227 (4)	N2—C10	1.355 (3)
O3—C10	1.337 (4)	N2—C5	1.395 (4)

O1—Cu—N1 ¹	90.61 (8)	C10—O3—C11	115.7 (3)
O1—Cu—N1	89.39 (8)	C4—N1—Cu	121.0 (2)
C1—O1—Cu	107.2 (2)	C8—N1—Cu	119.4 (2)

Symmetry code: (i) $-x, 1 - y, -z$.

The instability of the crystal at room temperature precluded the application of an absorption correction.

Data collection: Syntex $P2_1$ software. Cell refinement: Syntex $P2_1$ software. Data reduction: XP21 (Pavelčík, 1993). Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: ORTEP (Johnson, 1965). Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93.

Supplementary data for this paper are available from the IUCr electronic archives (Reference: BM1193). Services for accessing these data are described at the back of the journal.

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Dichlorobis(quinoline-N)zinc(II)

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Abstract

In the structure of the title complex, $[\text{ZnCl}_2(\text{C}_9\text{H}_7\text{N})_2]$, the Zn atom is coordinated by two chloride ligands and by two N atoms from two quinoline ligands. The geometry around the Zn atom is distorted tetrahedral,