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# A novel copper(II) coordination polymer with 2,2'-bipyridyl-3,3'-dicarboxylic acid

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A novel copper(II) coordination polymer, poly[[[aquacopper(II)]- $\mu_3$ -2,2'-bipyridyl-3,3'-dicarboxylato- $\kappa^4 N, N':O:O'$ ] dihydrate], {[Cu(C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>)(H<sub>2</sub>O)]·2H<sub>2</sub>O}<sub>n</sub>, was obtained by the reaction of CuCl<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O and 2,2'-bipyridyl-3,3'-dicarboxylic acid (H<sub>2</sub>L) in water. In the molecule, each Cu<sup>II</sup> atom is five-coordinated and lies at the centre of a square-pyramidal basal plane, bridged by three L ligands to form a two-dimensional (4,4)-network. Each L moiety acts as a bridging tetradentate ligand, coordinating to three Cu<sup>II</sup> atoms through its two aromatic N atoms and two O atoms of the two carboxyl groups. The two-dimensional square-grid sheets superimpose in an off-set fashion through the inorganic water layer.

#### Comment

In recent years, research on coordination polymers has expanded rapidly, because of their fascinating structural diversity and potential application as functional materials (Batten & Robson, 1998; Moulton & Zaworotko, 2001). To date, a number of one-, two- and three-dimensional infinite frameworks have been generated with linear N,N'-bidentate spacers (Tong et al., 2002). Much of the work has so far been focused on coordination polymers with rigid ligands, such as 4,4'-bipyridine, and pyrazine and its analogues. However, flexible ligands such as 2,2'-bipyridyl-3,3'-dicarboxylic acid  $(H_2L)$  have not been explored as much and only a few examples have been reported to date (Goddard et al., 1990; Kovalev et al., 1989; Memon et al., 1997; Perkovic, 2000; Xie et al., 1999, 2000; Yoo et al., 1997; Zhang et al., 2002, 2003; Zhong et al., 1994). In these known structures based on the 2,2'bipyridyl-3,3'-dicarboxylate anion, most are one-dimensional polymeric chains, such as  $[M(C_{12}H_6N_2O_4)(H_2O_2)]_n$  (M is Co, Cu or Mn) and  $\{[Ni(C_{12}H_6N_2O_4)(H_2O_3] \cdot H_2O]_n$ . These onedimensional chains extend into two-dimensional sheets via

 $O \cdots H - O$  hydrogen-bonding interactions. Two- or threedimensional structures of this type based on covalent linkages are rare. In the present work, we report the preparation and crystal structure of the title novel two-dimensional coordination polymer, (I), formulated as {[CuL(H<sub>2</sub>O)]·2H<sub>2</sub>O}<sub>n</sub>.



Single-crystal X-ray diffraction reveals that the molecules of (I) form an extended two-dimensional network involving coordination frameworks of (4,4)-topology. In these layers, all the metal centres are five-coordinated. As shown in Fig. 1, each  $Cu^{II}$  atom is coordinated by two N atoms of an *L* ligand,





A view of the local coordination of the Cu<sup>II</sup> atom in (I), showing the atomic numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (i)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (ii)  $\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ .]





The two-dimensional single-layer (4,4)-network in (I). Water molecules have been omitted for clarity.

 $D_x = 1.861 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation Cell parameters from 6856

2498 independent reflections 1871 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$ 

reflections  $\theta = 3.2-25.5^{\circ}$  $\mu=1.77~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) KPrism, dark green  $0.24 \times 0.23 \times 0.11 \text{ mm}$ 

 $R_{\rm int}=0.045$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 26.0^{\circ}$  $h = -8 \rightarrow 7$  $k = -24 \rightarrow 20$  $l = -11 \rightarrow 11$ 





A view perpendicular to the two-dimensional sheets, showing the stacking of these layers in the b direction. Hydrogen-bonding contacts are indicated by dashed lines.

two O atoms of two carboxyl groups from another two L ligands and one O atom of a water molecule, giving a squarepyramidal geometry (Table 1). An additional carboxyl O atom occupies the sixth coordination site at a distance  $[Cu1 \cdots O1 =$ 3.060 (1) Å] which is beyond the sum of the van der Waals radii of Cu and O (1.40 Å for Cu and 1.52 Å for O) and which is therefore too long to be considered a significant interaction.

Each L moiety, acting as a tetradentate ligand, coordinates to three Cu<sup>II</sup> atoms. As a result, three Cu<sup>II</sup> centres are bridged by three L ligands to form a grid (Fig. 2). Within this grid, the Cu...Cu distances are 6.767 (5), 6.908 (5) and 6.967 (1) Å. One Cu atom with one organic ligand constructs a node and these nodes connect to each other to form an extended layer structure with (4,4)-topology in the ac plane. As illustrated in Fig. 3, the water molecules occupy channels formed by parallel stacking of two layers.

There are a number of significant contacts between the oxo groups of the two-dimensional layers and the water molecules. These include  $O5W \cdot \cdot \cdot O4^{i} = 2.819(5), O5W \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{i} = 2.880(4),$  $O6W \cdots O1^{ii} = 2.769 (4), O6W \cdots O5W^{iii} = 3.094 (4),$  $O6W \cdots O6W^{iv} = 3.199(5), O7W \cdots O2^{ii} = 2.915(5),$  $O7W \cdots O4^{ii} = 2.971$  (4) and  $O7W \cdots O7^{v} = 2.800$  (6) Å [symmetry codes: (i)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (ii)  $\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (iii) 1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (vi) 2 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z; (v) 1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z]. Therefore, the extended structure of (I) has the metal-organic layers and inorganic water layers arranged alternately along the b axis.

### **Experimental**

A mixture of CuCl<sub>2</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O (0.168 g, 1 mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>L (0.244 g, 1 mmol) in water (30 ml) was refluxed for 20 min and then filtered while hot. Dark-green crystals of (I) were obtained by evaporating the filtrate at room temperature for a period of three weeks. The compound is insoluble in common organic solvents and dissolves in water very slowly. Analysis found: C 40.1, H 3.2, N 8.0%; C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>CuN<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> requires: C 40.0, H 3.3, N 7.8%.

#### Crystal data

Crystat aata
$[Cu(C_{12}H_6N_2O_4)(H_2O)] \cdot 2H_2O$ M = 359.78
Monoclinic, $P2_1/n$
a = 6.7680 (9)  Å
b = 19.989(3) Å
c = 9.4923 (12)  Å
$\beta = 90.717 \ (2)^{\circ}$
V = 1284.0 (3) A <sup>3</sup>
Z = 4
Data collection
Rigaku R-AXIS RAPID area-
detector diffractometer
$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(ABSCOR; Higashi, 1995)
$T_{\min} = 0.628, \ T_{\max} = 0.812$
7065 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.039$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.048P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.094$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 0.95	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
2498 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.47 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
199 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.31 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1-O3 <sup>i</sup>	1.966 (2)	Cu1-N1	2.034 (3)
Cu1 - O5W	1.979 (3)	Cu1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>	2.411 (2)
Cu1-N2	1.999 (3)		
$O3^i - Cu1 - O5W$	93.74 (10)	N2-Cu1-N1	79.75 (10)
O3 <sup>i</sup> -Cu1-N2	90.27 (9)	$O3^{i}-Cu1-O2^{ii}$	92.60 (9)
O5W-Cu1-N2	175.79 (11)	O5W-Cu1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>	91.49 (11)
O3 <sup>i</sup> -Cu1-N1	162.38 (10)	N2-Cu1-O2 <sup>ii</sup>	87.05 (9)
O5W-Cu1-N1	96.68 (11)	$N1-Cu1-O2^{ii}$	101.27 (10)

Symmetry codes: (i)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ ; (ii)  $\frac{1}{2} + x, \frac{1}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$ .

All H atoms on C atoms were generated geometrically and refined as riding atoms, with C-H = 0.93 Å and  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ . The H atoms of the two solvate water molecules and the water ligand could not be located.

Data collection: PROCESS-AUTO (Rigaku, 1998); cell refinement: PROCESS-AUTO; data reduction: PROCESS-AUTO; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: SHELXTL-Plus (Sheldrick, 1990); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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