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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 150 KMean $\sigma(C-C) = 0.004 \text{ Å}$ R factor = 0.024 wR factor = 0.064 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.6

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catena-Poly[[tetrakis(μ -acetato- κO : $\kappa O'$)dicopper(II)]- μ -2-aminopyrimidine- $\kappa^2 N$:N'] at 150 K

The basic architectural motif of the title compound, $[Cu_2(C_2H_3O_2)_4(C_4H_5N_3)]$, is a chain of alternating tetrakis(μ -acetato)dicopper(II) and 2-aminopyrimidine moieties in which square-pyramidal copper(II) centres are alternately linked by four bridging acetate anions [Cu-O = 1.947 (2)- 1.984 (2) Å] and a single bridging 2-aminopyrimidine molecule [Cu-N 2.214 (2) Å]. N-H···O and C-H···O hydrogen bonds support the Cu-N coordination to generate the chains, which align perpendicular to the (101) plane. The dinuclear copper unit has crystallographic inversion symmetry, and the 2-aminopyrimidine bridging ligand has twofold rotation symmetry.

Comment

The structure of the title compound, (I), has been reported at 296 K (Smith *et al.*, 1991). Continuing our studies of the coordination chemistry of the tetrakis(acetato)dicopper(II) moiety with nitrogen bases (Begley *et al.*, 1993), we now report the structure of the title compound at 150 K. Its asymmetric unit comprises half a tetrakis(acetato)dicopper(II) moiety, the complete dinuclear unit being located on an inversion centre, and half a 2-aminopyrimidine ligand, which is located on a twofold symmetry axis passing through N12, C12 and C14 (Fig. 1). The square-pyramidal coordination geometry of the copper(II) centre comprises four basal O atoms from four bridging acetate anions [Cu–O 1.947 (2), 1.948 (2), 1.983 (2) and, 1.984(2) Å] and an axial N atom from a single bridging 2-aminopyrimidine molecule [Cu–N 2.214 (2) Å].



The basic architectural motif of the extended structure is a zigzag chain (Fig. 2) of alternating tetrakis(acetato)-dicopper(II) and 2-aminopyrimidine moieties. The zigzag motif of the chains, which pack perpendicular to the $(10\overline{1})$

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Figure 1

A view of the title compound, showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level. [Symmetry codes: (i) 1/2-x, 1/2-y, 1-z; (ii) -x, y, 3/2-z.]

plane (Fig. 3) with alternating copper(II)-copper(II) separations of 2.6281 (14) and 6.4589 (14) Å, results from the 120° angle between the σ -donor orbitals of the pyrimidine heterocyclic N atoms. Two hydrogen-bonding contacts, one $N-H\cdots O$ and one $C-H\cdots O$, support the Cu-N coordination to generate the chain structure. The significance of the hydrogen-bonding interactions comes, not from their dimensions [N-H 0.86 (2), H···O 2.04 (2), N···O 2.872 (3) Å and $N-H\cdots O 161 (3)^{\circ}; C-H 0.93, H\cdots O 2.34, C\cdots O 2.987 (3) Å$ and $C-H \cdots O \ 127^{\circ}$], which are moderated by the Cu-N coordination, but from the low value of the dihedral angle (7.2°) between the plane containing the copper centres and the pyrimidine molecule and the plane containing the copper centres and the two acetate anions providing the hydrogenbond acceptors.



Figure 2

A view of the zigzag chain of alternating tetrakis(acetato)dicopper(II) and 2-aminopyrimidine moieties. Atoms are identified as follows: Cu, large blue circles; C, black circles; N, blue circles; O, red circles; H, small yellow circles. [Symmetry code: (i) 1/2-x, 1/2-y, 1-z.]



Figure 3

A view of the extended structure of the title compound perpendicular to the $(10\overline{1})$ plane, showing the packing of the chains. Atoms are identified as in Fig. 2.

Experimental

Careful layering of a methanol solution (5 ml) of Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O (0.079 g, 0.396 mmol) with a dichloromethane solution (5 ml) of N,N'-bis(pyrimidin-2-yl)thiourea (0.090 g, 0.387 mmol), previously prepared by reaction of 2-aminopyrimidine (2.02 g, 21.2 mol) with carbon disulfide (2.41 g, 31.7 mmol) and sulfur (0.178 g, 5.55 mmol) in ethanol (50 ml), yielded, over a period of 7 d, two sets of large chunky crystals, which proved to be $Cu(OAc)_2 \cdot H_2O$ (located at the bottom of the vial) and the title compound (located on the walls of the vial). The latter was assumed to arise via ligand decomposition.

Crystal data		
$[Cu_2(C_2H_3O_2)_4(C_4H_5N_3)]$	$D_x = 1.735 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$	
$M_r = 458.36$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation	
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Cell parameters from 25	
a = 15.096 (8) Å	reflections	
b = 13.585 (8) Å	$\theta = 12.8 - 17.0^{\circ}$	
c = 8.580 (4) Å	$\mu = 2.47 \text{ mm}^{-1}$	
$\beta = 94.13 \ (5)^{\circ}$	T = 150 (2) K	
$V = 1755.0 (16) \text{ Å}^3$	Tablet, dark green	
Z = 4	$0.53 \times 0.45 \times 0.20 \text{ mm}$	

Data collection Stoe Stadi-4 four-circle

diffractometer ω/θ scans Absorption correction: numerical (X-RED; Stoe & Cie, 1995) $T_{\min} = 0.375, \ T_{\max} = 0.623$ 1980 measured reflections 1517 independent reflections 1428 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.016$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.0^{\circ}$ $h = -17 \rightarrow 17$ $k=0\to 16$ $l = -2 \rightarrow 10$ 3 standard reflections frequency: 60 min intensity decay: none

Refinement	
Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.024$ $wR(F^2) = 0.064$ S = 1.15 1517 reflections	$w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.03P)^{2} + 4.087P]$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3 (\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001 \Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.32 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
120 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.45 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
Table 1	

Selected interatomic distances (Å).

Cu1-Cu1 ⁱ	2.6281 (14)	Cu1-O12 ⁱ	1.947 (2)
Cu1-N11	2.214 (2)	Cu1-O21	1.984 (2)
Cu1-O11	1.949 (2)	Cu1-O22 ⁱ	1.983 (2)

Symmetry code: (i) $\frac{1}{2} - x, \frac{1}{2} - y, 1 - z$.

Amino H atoms were located from ΔF syntheses and refined with the N-H distance restrained to be 0.88 (1) Å and with $U_{iso}(H) =$ $1.5U_{eq}(N)$. Methyl H atoms were located from ΔF syntheses and refined as part of a rigid rotating group with C-H = 0.96 Å and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.5U_{eq}(C)$. After location from ΔF syntheses, aromatic H atoms were placed geometrically and refined with a riding model for which the C-H distance was constrained to be 0.93 Å and $U_{iso}(H) =$ $1.2U_{eq}(C)$. Data collection: *Stadi*4 (Stoe & Cie, 1995); cell refinement: *Stadi*4; data reduction: *X-RED* (Stoe & Cie, 1995); program(s) used to solve structure: *SIR*92 (Altomare *et al.*, 1994); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *CAMERON* (Watkin *et al.*, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*97 and *PLATON* (Spek, 2002).

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