

**$\mu$ -Terephthalato-bis[aquachloro(1,10-phenanthroline)copper(II)]**

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In the centrosymmetric title compound,  $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)\text{Cl}_2(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$ , each Cu atom is surrounded by an O atom from a terephthalate dianion, a water molecule, a Cl atom and the N atoms from a 1,10-phenanthroline heterocycle in an octahedral arrangement. The terephthalate dianion, which functions as a bridge between two Cu atoms, lies on a special position of  $\bar{1}$  site symmetry.

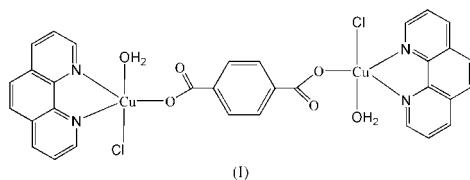
### Comment

#### Key indicators

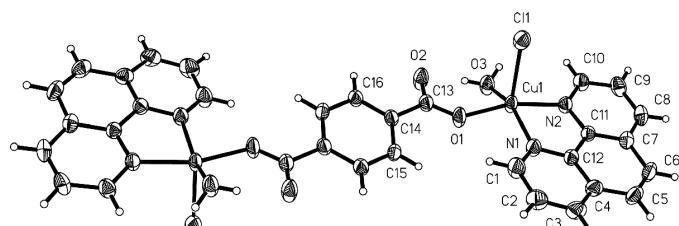
Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 273\text{ K}$   
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.004\text{ \AA}$   
 $R$  factor = 0.029  
 $wR$  factor = 0.076  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.5

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Among the metal complexes of terephthalic acid (Fun *et al.*, 1999; Li *et al.*, 1998; Mori & Takamizawa, 2000), the copper-phenanthroline (phen) system has been well studied; the compounds structurally documented include, for example, dimeric  $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)(\text{phen})_4](\text{ClO}_4)_2$  and three polymeric complexes, *viz.*  $[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)(\text{phen})](\text{H}_2\text{O})$  and  $[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)(\text{phen})(\text{H}_2\text{O})](\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{ON})$  (Sun *et al.*, 2000, 2001; Zhu *et al.*, 2004). In our previous work, we obtained a chain polymer with both terephthalate dianion and chloro bridges, *viz.*  $[\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_2(\text{nphen})_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)] \cdot 2\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{ON}$ , where nphen is replaced by 5-nitro-1,10-phenanthroline (nphen) (Xiao & Zhu, 2003). In the present compound, (I), the Cu atom is linked to four different ligands.

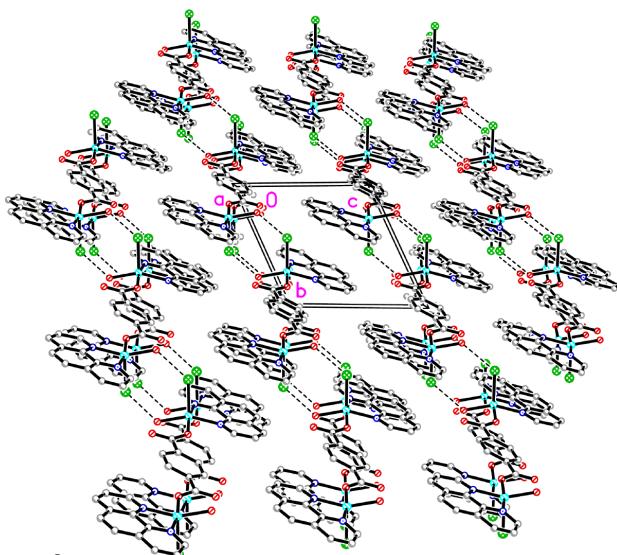


In centrosymmetric (I), the Cu atom is surrounded by an O atom from a terephthalate dianion, a water molecule, a Cl atom and the N atoms from a 1,10-phenanthroline heterocycle in an octahedral arrangement. The terephthalate dianion, which functions as a bridge between two Cu atoms, lies on a special position of  $\bar{1}$  site symmetry. The  $\text{Cu}1-\text{O}1$  bond length [1.9455 (15) Å] is in agreement with analogous literature distances in copper complexes containing a bis-monodentate terephthalate ligand (Cano *et al.*, 1997; Deakin *et al.*, 1999; Li



**Figure 1**

The structure of (I), with the atom numbering of the asymmetric unit, showing displacement ellipsoids at the 50% probability level.



**Figure 2**

Zigzag chains formed by hydrogen-bonding interactions, which are shown as dashed lines. H atoms have been omitted.

et al., 2001; Xanthopoulos et al., 1993). The aromatic rings of the terephthalate and phen ligands are almost coplanar, the dihedral angle being only 5.90 (6)°. The Cu···Cu distance [11.13 (6) Å] through the bridging terephthalate ligand is also in agreement with that reported for bis-monodentate terephthalate-bridged copper(II) complexes (Cano et al., 1997; Sun et al., 2000, 2001). There is one intramolecular hydrogen bond (O3—H3···O2) and also one intermolecular hydrogen bond [O3—H3B···Cl<sup>i</sup>; symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, 1 - y, -z], resulting in the formation of zigzag chains (Fig. 2).

## Experimental

A solution (10 ml) of dimethylformamide containing  $\text{CoCl}_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mmol, 0.12 g),  $\text{CuCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.5 mmol, 0.09 g) and terephthalic acid (0.5 mmol, 0.08 g) was added slowly to a solution (10 ml) of dimethylformamide containing 1,10-phenanthroline (0.5 mmol, 0.10 g). The mixture was stirred for 30 min and left to stand at room temperature for about a month, after which time green prismatic crystals were obtained.

### Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_4)\text{Cl}_2(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2 \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2]$	$Z = 1$
$M_r = 758.55$	$D_x = 1.710 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
$a = 8.6846 (10) \text{ \AA}$	Cell parameters from 678 reflections
$b = 9.7645 (11) \text{ \AA}$	$\theta = 2.4\text{--}22.0^\circ$
$c = 10.4676 (12) \text{ \AA}$	$\mu = 1.68 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\alpha = 63.154 (2)^\circ$	$T = 273 (2) \text{ K}$
$\beta = 68.579 (2)^\circ$	Prism, green
$\gamma = 78.644 (2)^\circ$	$0.40 \times 0.31 \times 0.28 \text{ mm}$
$V = 736.74 (15) \text{ \AA}^3$	

### Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX area-detector diffractometer	2628 independent reflections
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans	2458 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 2000)	$R_{\text{int}} = 0.014$
$T_{\min} = 0.545$ , $T_{\max} = 0.632$	$\theta_{\max} = 25.2^\circ$
5423 measured reflections	$h = -10 \rightarrow 10$
	$k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
	$l = -12 \rightarrow 12$

### Refinement

Refinement on $F^2$	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.043P)^2 + 0.2928P]$
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.029$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$wR(F^2) = 0.076$	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} = 0.001$
$S = 1.09$	$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.32 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
2628 reflections	$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.29 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
210 parameters	Extinction correction: <i>SHELXTL</i>
H-atom parameters constrained	Extinction coefficient: 0.0009 (2)

**Table 1**  
Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1—N1	2.0267 (18)	Cu1—O3	1.9992 (15)
Cu1—N2	2.0187 (17)	Cu1—Cl1	2.4895 (7)
Cu1—O1	1.9455 (15)		
N1—Cu1—N2	81.46 (7)	N2—Cu1—O3	95.41 (7)
N1—Cu1—O1	87.57 (7)	N2—Cu1—Cl1	93.72 (5)
N1—Cu1—O3	152.70 (8)	O1—Cu1—O3	90.06 (7)
N1—Cu1—Cl1	105.83 (6)	O1—Cu1—Cl1	98.27 (6)
N2—Cu1—O1	165.59 (7)	O3—Cu1—Cl1	101.43 (5)

**Table 2**  
Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D—H \cdots A$	$D—H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D—H \cdots A$
O3—H3···O2	0.82	1.86	2.612 (2)	152
O3—H3B···Cl <sup>i</sup>	0.82	2.31	3.0743 (16)	155

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

The water H atoms were refined subject to the restraint  $O—H = 0.82$  (1) Å. The other H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms at distances of 0.93 Å and with  $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}$  (parent atom).

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2000); cell refinement: *SMART*; data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2000); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2000); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXTL*; molecular graphics: *SHELXTL*; software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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