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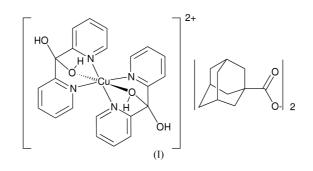
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Bis[bis(2-pyridyl)methanediol- $\kappa^3 N, N', O$]copper(II) bis(adamantane-1-carboxylate)

Di-2-pyridyl ketone reacts with copper(II) nitrate and sodium adamantane-1-carboxylate in acetonitrile–water to form bis[bis(2-pyridyl)methanediol]copper(II) bis(adamantane-1-carboxylate), $[Cu(C_{11}H_{10}N_2O_2)_2](C_{11}H_{15}O_2)_2$. The Cu atom in this dicationic complex occupies a special position at an inversion centre and has a tetragonally distorted octahedral coordination, formed by four 'normal' Cu–N [2.0114 (16) and 2.0155 (16) Å] and two 'long' Cu–O bonds [2.3690 (14) Å]. The methanediol hydroxyl groups are hydrogen-bonded to the adamantane-1-carboxylate anions.

Comment

Di-2-pyridyl ketone, $(C_5H_4N)_2CO$ (dpk), and its hydrolyzed derivative $(C_5H_4N)_2C(OH)_2$ (dpd), are good chelating ligands, and a few polynuclear complexes of the monoanion or dianion of the *gem*-diol form of di-2-pyridyl ketone (dpd-H and dpd-2H) obtained from metal carboxylates and dpk have been isolated and structurally characterized (Tangoulis *et al.*, 1997; Serna *et al.*, 2000; Tong *et al.*, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002). The title complex, (I), was obtained in an attempt to prepare a polynuclear copper–dpk complex.



The crystal structure of (I) is built up of bis[bis(2pyridyl)methanediol]copper(II) dications and adamantane-1carboxylate anions. The Cu^{II} atom, which occupies a special position at an inversion centre, is chelated by two pyridyl N atoms and one of the hydroxyl O atoms of the two ligands, and has a tetragonally distorted octahedral coordination, formed by four 'normal' Cu–N and two 'long' Cu–O bonds (Fig. 1). The Cu1-N1 and Cu1-N2 bond lengths [2.0155 (16) and 2.0114 (16) Å, respectively] are similar to those found in bis[bis(2-pyridyl)methanediol]copper(II) diperchlorate [1.994 (5)–2.098 (5) Å; Tong et al., 1998]. The Cu1–O1 bond [2.3690 (14) Å], however, is noticeably shorter than analogous bonds found in the latter structure [2.454 (2) Å]. The angular distortions of the coordination octahedron are determined by the chelate formation and result in substantial deviations of the chelate bite angles N1-Cu1-N2, O1-Cu1-N1 and

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© 2004 International Union of Crystallography Printed in Great Britain – all rights reserved O1-Cu1-N2 [87.49 (7), 74.70 (6) and 75.91 (6)°, respectively] from 90°.

Both hydroxyl groups in (I) act as hydrogen-bond donors, with the O atoms of the adamantane-1-carboxylate anion serving as the acceptors $[O1\cdots O3\ 2.545\ (2)\ \text{Å}$ and $O1-H1\cdots O3\ 176\ (3)^{\circ}$, and $O2\cdots O4\ 2.604\ (2)$ and $O2-H2\cdots O4\ 173\ (3)^{\circ}]$.

Experimental

Di-2-pyridyl ketone (0.092 g, 0.5 mmol) was dissolved in water (2 ml) and mixed with an acetonitrile–water solution (4:1 ν/ν) containing sodium adamantane-1-carboxylate (0.101 g, 0.5 mmol) and copper(II) nitrate (0.120 g, 0.5 mmol). The mixture was then heated at 323 K for 20 min. Deep-blue crystals of (I), with a complex polyhedral shape, separated from the solution in about 75% yield after several days.

Crystal data

$[Cu(C_{11}H_{10}N_2O_2)_2](C_{11}H_{15}O_2)_2$	$D_x = 1.413 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
$M_r = 826.42$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
Monoclinic, $C2/c$	Cell parameters from 9994
a = 24.947 (5) Å	reflections
b = 11.5988 (17) Å	$\theta = 3.0-27.0^{\circ}$
c = 15.284 (3) Å	$\mu = 0.62 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
$\beta = 118.576 \ (3)^{\circ}$	T = 293 (2) K
$V = 3883.8 (11) \text{ Å}^3$	Block, blue
Z = 4	$0.38 \times 0.32 \times 0.30 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Rigaku Mercury CCD area-detector	4078 independent reflections
diffractometer	3389 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
ω scans	$R_{\rm int} = 0.051$
Absorption correction: multi-scan	$\theta_{\rm max} = 27.0^{\circ}$
(CrystalClear; Rigaku, 2002)	$h = -26 \rightarrow 29$
$T_{\min} = 0.789, \ T_{\max} = 0.829$	$k = -14 \rightarrow 11$
9994 measured reflections	$l = -19 \rightarrow 19$

Refinement

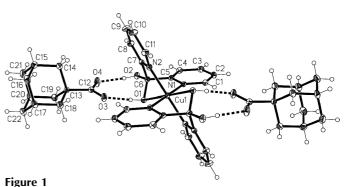
Refinement on F^2	H atoms treated by a mixture of
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.043$	independent and constrained
$wR(F^2) = 0.112$	refinement
S = 1.05	$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.053P)^2]$
4078 reflections	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
267 parameters	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$
	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.45 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$
	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.39 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$\begin{array}{c} O1 - H1 \cdots O3 \\ O2 - H2 \cdots O4 \end{array}$	0.845 (10)	1.702 (10)	2.545 (2)	176 (3)
	0.848 (10)	1.760 (11)	2.604 (2)	173 (3)

The pyridyl and adamantane-1-carboxylate H atoms were included in geometrically calculated positions and constrained to ride, with



A view of a fragment of the structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii.

 $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H}) = 1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$, at distances of 0.93 (pyridyl) and 0.97 Å (adamantane) from their parent C atoms. The hydroxyl H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and refined subject to a restraint of O-H = 0.85 (1) Å, with isotropic atomic displacement parameters.

Data collection: *CrystalClear* (Rigaku, 2002); cell refinement: *CrystalClear*; data reduction: *CrystalClear*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEP*II (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL*97.

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