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Bis{2-[3-(diethylamino)propyliminomethyl]phenolato}copper(II) diperchlorate

In the title centrosymmetric mononuclear copper(II) compound, $[Cu(C_{14}H_{22}N_2O)_2](ClO_4)_2$, the Cu^{II} atom is coordinated by two N atoms and two O atoms from two Schiff base ligands. The coordination geometry is slightly distorted square-planar. The disordered perchlorate anions are hydrogen bonded to the cation *via* N-H···O hydrogen bonds.

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Comment

Recently, we have reported a few Schiff base complexes (You, Lin *et al.*, 2003; You, Qu *et al.*, 2003; You, Xiong *et al.*, 2004; You, Zhu & Liu, 2004). As an extension of our work on the structural characterization of Schiff base complexes, a mononuclear copper(II) complex, (I), is reported here.



The structure of the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1), consists of a mononuclear $[Cu(C_{14}H_{22}N_2O)_2]^{2+}$ cation and two perchlorate anions. The Cu atom, on an inversion center, is in a slightly distorted square-planar geometry and is four-coordinated by two N atoms and two O atoms from two Schiff base ligands. The two *trans* angles at the copper(II) center are exactly 180°, by virtue of the crystallographic symmetry (Table 1), and the other angles are close to 90°, *viz.* 88.29 (16) and 91.71 (16)°, indicating a slight deviation from perfect square-planar geometry. The Cu1–O1 bond length [1.888 (4) Å] is comparable to that observed in another Schiff base complex [1.889 (2) Å; You, Chen *et al.*, 2004]. The Cu1– N1 bond distance [2.002 (4) Å] is slightly longer than the value [1.927 (3) Å] observed in the same previously reported complex.

In the crystal structure of (I), the perchlorate anions are hydrogen bonded to the Cu^{II} cation through N-H···O hydrogen bonds [H2···O2ⁱ = 1.97 (6) Å, N2···O2ⁱ = 2.959 (12) Å and N2-H2···O2ⁱ = 175 (5)°; symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, -y, 1 - z; Fig. 2].



Figure 1

A view of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level and H atoms are shown as small spheres of arbitrary radii. Both components of the disordered perchlorate anions are shown. The unlabeled atoms are related by the symmetry operation (1 - x, -y, 1 - z).



Figure 2

The crystal packing of (I), viewed along the *a* axis. All H atoms have been omitted for clarity. Hydrogen bonds are shown as dashed lines.

Experimental

N,N-Diethylpropane-1,3-diamine and salicylaldehyde were available commercially and were used without further purification. N,N-Diethylpropane-1,3-diamine (0.2 mmol, 26.5 mg) and salicylaldehyde (0.2 mmol, 22.4 mg) were dissolved in methanol (20 ml). The mixture was stirred for 1 h to obtain a clear yellow solution of L (0.2 mmol), where *L* is 2-[(3-(diethylamino)propyliminomethyl]phenol. To the solution of *L* was added a solution of Cu(ClO₄)₂·7H₂O (0.1 mmol, 38.9 mg) in methanol (10 ml), with stirring. After keeping the resulting solution in air for 15 d, blue block-shaped crystals were formed at the bottom of the vessel on slow evaporation of the solvents. The crystals were isolated, washed three times with methanol and dried in a vacuum desiccator using anhydrous CaCl₂ (yield 82.1%). Analysis found: C 45.8, H 6.2, N 7.8%; calculated for $C_{28}H_{44}Cl_2CuN_4O_{10}$: C 46.0, H 6.1, N 7.7%.

Crystal data

$Cu(C_{14}H_{22}N_2O)_2](CIO_4)_2$ $M_r = 731.11$ Monoclinic, P_{2_1}/n a = 7.120 (2) Å b = 17.501 (4) Å c = 13.730 (3) Å B = 96.05 (2)° V = 1701.3 (7) Å ³ Z = 2	$D_x = 1.427 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo K α radiation Cell parameters from 1282 reflections $\theta = 2.3-18.4^{\circ}$ $\mu = 0.86 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 293 (2) K Block, blue $0.32 \times 0.28 \times 0.21 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Siemens SMART CCD diffractometer ϑ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (<i>SADABS</i> ; Sheldrick, 1996) $T_{min} = 0.771, T_{max} = 0.841$ 2156 measured reflections	3479 independent reflections 1954 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.048$ $\theta_{max} = 26.5^{\circ}$ $h = -7 \rightarrow 8$ $k = -21 \rightarrow 21$ $l = -17 \rightarrow 17$
Refinement	
Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.074$ $\nu R(F^2) = 0.240$ S = 1.02 S = 1.0	H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1342P)^2]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.55 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -0.34 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

Table 1 Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1-O1	1.888 (4)	Cu1-N1	

$O1-Cu1-O1^{i}$	180	O1-Cu1-N1	91.71 (16)
$D1 - Cu1 - N1^{i}$	88.29 (16)	N1 ⁱ -Cu1-N1	180

2.002 (4)

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

The H atom bonded to N2 was refined independently with an isotropic displacement parameter, giving an N-H distance of 0.99 (6) Å. All remaining H atoms were placed in idealized positions and constrained to ride on their parent atoms, with C-H distances of 0.93–0.97 Å, and with $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)$ or $1.5U_{eq}(C)$ for methyl atoms. The O atoms of the unique perchlorate anion are disordered over two distinct sites with a ratio of occupancies of 0.692 (3):0.308 (3).

Data collection: *SMART* (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS*97 (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL*97 (Sheldrick, 1997*a*); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Sheldrick, 1997*b*); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL*.

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