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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 293$ K
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.010$ Å
Disorder in solvent or counterion
 R factor = 0.084
 wR factor = 0.172
Data-to-parameter ratio = 11.4For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.Di- μ -5-hydroxyisophthalato-bis[aqua(1,10-phenanthroline)copper(II)] trihydrate

In the title compound, $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_5)_2(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$, the Cu complex forms a centrosymmetric dimer with a $\text{Cu} \cdots \text{Cu}$ separation of 8.198 (3) Å. In the 5-hydroxyisophthalate ligands, two carboxylate groups coordinate two copper(II) cations in μ_2 -bridging bidentate coordination modes.

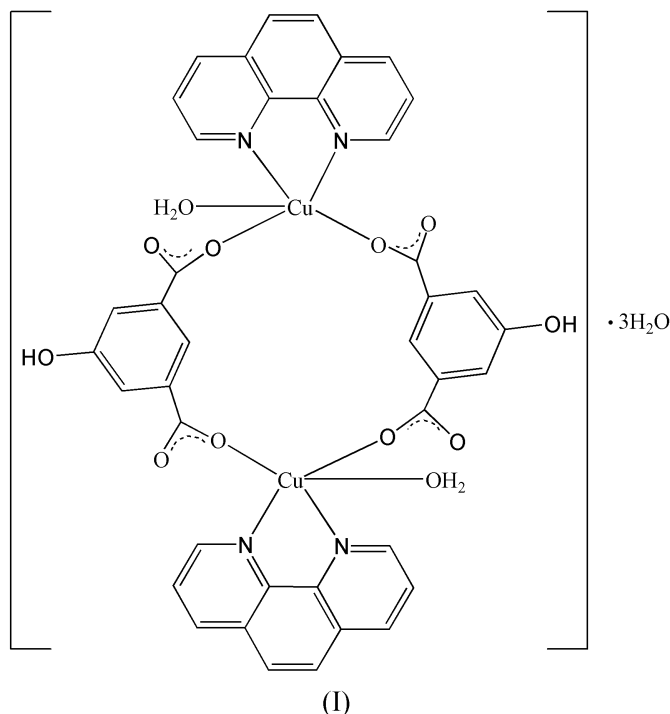
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Comment

Encouraged by our successful synthesis of coordination polymers using transition metals, 1,4-benzenedicarboxylic acid and 1,10-phenanthroline, which showed a diversity of structures (Sun *et al.*, 2001; Xiao, Hu & Li, 2004; Xiao, Li *et al.*, 2004; Zhu *et al.*, 2004), we investigated the effect of replacing 1,4-benzenedicarboxylic acid with 5-hydroxyisophthalic acid. In a mixed solvent of dimethylformamide and methanol at room temperature, we obtained the title compound, (I).



In (I), each Cu^{II} cation has a five-coordinate environment consisting of one aqua O atom, two carboxyl O atoms belonging to two 5-hydroxyisophthalate anions and two N atoms from a 1,10-phenanthroline molecule (Fig. 1). The geometry around the Cu^{II} cation is distorted square-pyramidal. The basal plane $[\text{O}3^{\text{i}}/\text{O}6/\text{N}1/\text{N}2; \text{symmetry code: (i) } -x + 2, y + 2, -z + 2]$ is built of two 1,10-phenanthroline N

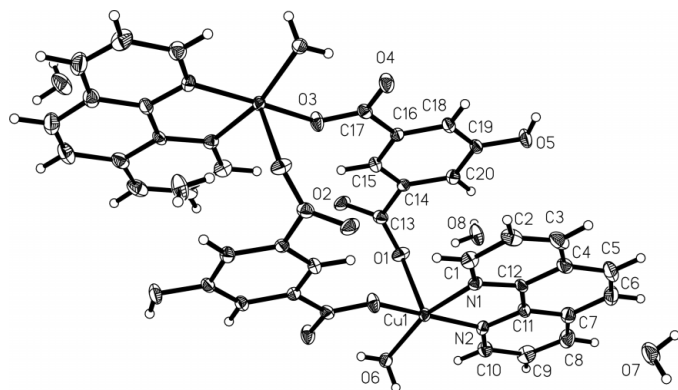


Figure 1

The coordination environment of copper in (I), showing the atom numbering and displacement ellipsoids at the 30% probability level. Unlabelled atoms are related to labelled atoms by $2 - x, 2 - y, 2 - z$.

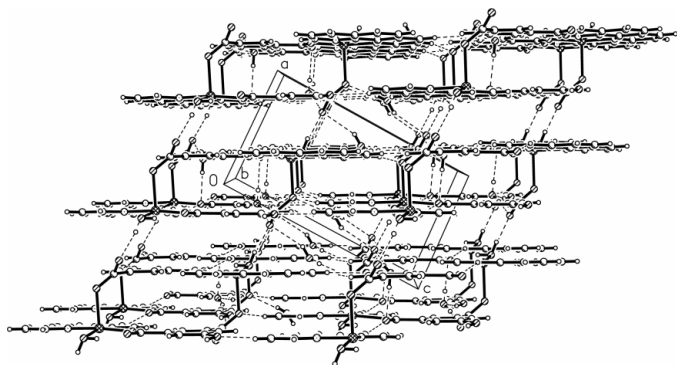


Figure 2

The crystal packing of (I), viewed along the b axis. Intermolecular hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines.

atoms, one carboxyl O atom from each of two 5-hydroxyisophthalate anions and one aqua O atom. The apical position is occupied by one carboxyl O atom (O1), the corresponding axial bond length [2.274 (5) Å for Cu1—O1] being longer than the equatorial Cu1—O3ⁱ [1.942 (4) Å] and Cu1—O6 [1.974 (4) Å] bond lengths (Table 1). The two 5-hydroxyisophthalate carboxylate groups coordinate two copper(II) cations in μ_2 -bridging bidentate coordination modes. The Cu complex forms a centrosymmetric dimer with a Cu...Cu separation of 8.198 (3) Å.

The phenol H atom of the 5-hydroxyisophthalate anion is involved in an intermolecular O—H...O hydrogen bond (Table 2). The coordinated and free water molecules form hydrogen bonds, with the carboxylate O atoms as acceptors (Table 2). These interactions link the dimer units into a three-dimensional network structure (Fig. 2).

Experimental

A solution of $\text{CuCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.5 mmol) and 5-hydroxyisophthalic acid (0.5 mmol) in a mixture of dimethylformamide and water (15 ml, 2:1 v/v) was added slowly to a solution of 1,10-phenanthroline (0.5 mmol) in methanol (5 ml). The mixture was left to stand at room temperature for about a month to afford blue crystals.

Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_8\text{H}_4\text{O}_5)_2(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_8\text{N}_2)_2 \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 937.79$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 7.2751$ (10) Å
 $b = 10.4797$ (14) Å
 $c = 12.7575$ (17) Å
 $\alpha = 97.482$ (2)°
 $\beta = 92.284$ (2)°
 $\gamma = 101.475$ (2)°
 $V = 942.9$ (2) Å³

$Z = 1$
 $D_x = 1.652$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 1209 reflections
 $\theta = 2.9$ – 23.3 °
 $\mu = 1.21$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 293$ (2) K
 Prism, blue
 $0.25 \times 0.16 \times 0.10$ mm

Data collection

Bruker APEX area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2002)
 $T_{\min} = 0.752$, $T_{\max} = 0.889$
 6956 measured reflections

3383 independent reflections
 3353 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.027$
 $\theta_{\max} = 25.2$ °
 $h = -8 \rightarrow 8$
 $k = -12 \rightarrow 12$
 $l = -15 \rightarrow 15$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.084$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.172$
 $S = 1.34$
 3383 reflections
 296 parameters
 H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0361P)^2 + 4.7073P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.91$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\min} = -1.16$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1—O3 ⁱ	1.942 (4)	Cu1—N1	2.013 (5)
Cu1—O6	1.974 (4)	Cu1—O1	2.274 (5)
Cu1—N2	1.992 (5)		
O3 ⁱ —Cu1—O6	94.36 (18)	N2—Cu1—N1	82.1 (2)
O3 ⁱ —Cu1—N2	169.7 (2)	O3 ⁱ —Cu1—O1	94.25 (19)
O6—Cu1—N2	92.6 (2)	O6—Cu1—O1	90.84 (18)
O3 ⁱ —Cu1—N1	89.20 (19)	N2—Cu1—O1	93.33 (19)
O6—Cu1—N1	164.33 (19)	N1—Cu1—O1	104.13 (18)

Symmetry code: (i) $2 - x, 2 - y, 2 - z$.

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
O5—H5...O7 ⁱⁱ	0.82	1.88	2.673 (8)	164
O6—H6B...O2 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.82	1.85	2.645 (6)	164
O6—H6C...O4 ⁱ	0.82	1.82	2.630 (6)	168
O6—H6C...O3 ⁱ	0.82	2.46	2.872 (6)	112
O8—H8B...O2 ^{iv}	0.80 (3)	2.35 (7)	3.084 (11)	155 (14)
O8—H8C...O1	0.79 (3)	2.12 (4)	2.896 (10)	168 (15)
O7—H7B...O2 ^v	0.81 (3)	2.03 (3)	2.820 (8)	167 (8)
O7—H7C...O4 ^{vi}	0.81 (3)	2.06 (3)	2.867 (8)	171 (7)

Symmetry codes: (i) $2 - x, 2 - y, 2 - z$; (ii) $1 + x, y, z$; (iii) $x - 1, y, z$; (iv) $2 - x, 2 - y, 1 - z$; (v) $x - 1, y - 1, z$; (vi) $1 - x, 1 - y, 2 - z$.

H atoms attached to the C atoms were included in the refinement in calculated positions in the riding-model approximation [$C-H = 0.93$ Å and $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(\text{C})$]. The water H atoms were located in a difference Fourier map and refined with distance restraints [$O-H = 0.82$ (3) Å, $H \cdots H = 1.39$ (1) Å] and with $U_{\text{iso}}(\text{H}) = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}(\text{O})$. The

maximum positive electron-density peak is located 0.97 Å from atom O3.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINTE* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINTE*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *XP* in *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2002); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 2002).

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