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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 298\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.002\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.025
 wR factor = 0.067
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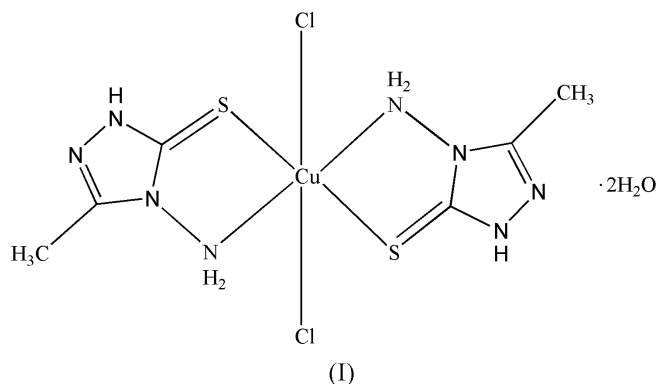
Bis[4-amino-3-methyl-1*H*-1,2,4-triazole-5(4*H*)-thione]dichlorocopper(II) dihydrate

In the title compound, $[\text{Cu}(\text{amt})_2\text{Cl}_2]\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, where amt is 4-amino-1,2,4-triazole-5-thione ($\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{N}_4\text{S}$), the Cu^{II} atom is surrounded by two N atoms, two S atoms from two amt ligands, and two Cl ions, forming a distorted $\text{CuCl}_2\text{N}_2\text{S}_2$ octahedron. The copper complex, with the Cu^{II} cation located on a center of inversion, and solvent water molecules are connected together by five kinds of intermolecular hydrogen bonds, leading to the formation of a three-dimensional network structure.

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Comment

1,2,4-Triazole and its derivatives display a broad range of biological activity, finding application as antitumor, antibacterial, antifungal and antiviral agents (Jantova *et al.*, 1998; Holla *et al.*, 1996). Although complexes of these ligands have been reported for a variety of transition metals, relatively few crystal structures of such complexes have been published (Jha *et al.*, 1994; Dubey *et al.*, 1994). Because of the potential applications of these compounds, we focused our attention on synthesizing them, using 1,2,4-triazole derivatives. We present here the structure of the title compound, $[\text{Cu}(\text{amt})_2\text{Cl}_2]\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, (I).



In (I), two amt ligands coordinate to the Cu^{II} atom through two amino N atoms and two thiocarbonyl S atoms. Each Cu^{II} atom, on an inversion center, is at the center of a distorted octahedron, with a distinct Jahn–Teller effect (Fig. 1). The equatorial plane consists of two amino N atoms and two S atoms from two amt ligands. The two axial positions are filled by two Cl anions. The Cu atom is located on the plane C1/C2/C3/N1/N2/N3/N4/S1; the r.m.s. deviation from the plane is 0.0277 Å. In the crystal structure, there are five kinds of intermolecular hydrogen bonds with $\text{H}\cdots\text{A}$ distances in the 1.86–2.54 Å range, linking the mononuclear units into a three-dimensional network structure (Fig. 2 and Table 2).

Experimental

The title compound was synthesized by a hydrothermal method from a mixture of 4-amino-1,2,4-triazole-5-thione (2 mmol, 0.38 g), $\text{CuCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1 mmol, 0.17 g) and water (20 ml) in a 30 ml Teflon-lined stainless steel reactor. The solution was heated to 415 K for four days. After the reaction system was slowly cooled to room temperature, blue block-shaped crystals were collected and washed with distilled water.

Crystal data

$[\text{Cu}(\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{N}_4\text{S})_2\text{Cl}_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$
 $M_r = 430.83$
 Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$
 $a = 9.4614$ (8) Å
 $b = 10.0012$ (9) Å
 $c = 8.4042$ (7) Å
 $\beta = 93.028$ (2)°
 $V = 794.14$ (12) Å³
 $Z = 2$

$D_x = 1.802$ Mg m⁻³
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 Cell parameters from 2880 reflections
 $\theta = 2.5$ – 25.2 °
 $\mu = 1.99$ mm⁻¹
 $T = 298$ (2) K
 Block, blue
 $0.37 \times 0.29 \times 0.26$ mm

Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX area-detector diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan *SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996
 $T_{\min} = 0.506$, $T_{\max} = 0.606$
 4082 measured reflections

1427 independent reflections
 1351 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.016$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.2$ °
 $h = -7 \rightarrow 11$
 $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$
 $l = -10 \rightarrow 9$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.067$
 $S = 1.12$
 1427 reflections
 104 parameters
 H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0378P)^2 + 0.2591P]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.26$ e Å⁻³
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.42$ e Å⁻³

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1–N4	2.0519 (16)	Cu1–Cl1	2.9008 (5)
Cu1–S1	2.3223 (5)		
N4–Cu1–S1	89.03 (4)	S1–Cu1–Cl1	93.040 (17)
N4–Cu1–Cl1	92.93 (4)		

Table 2

Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D-H \cdots A$	$D-H$	$H \cdots A$	$D \cdots A$	$D-H \cdots A$
N1–H1 ⁱ ···O1 ⁱ	0.86	1.86	2.706 (2)	169
N4–H4A···Cl1 ⁱⁱ	0.90	2.54	3.3996 (17)	161
N4–H4B···Cl1 ⁱⁱⁱ	0.90	2.43	3.2893 (16)	161
O1–H1A···N2	0.807 (15)	2.098 (15)	2.858 (2)	157 (2)
O1–H1B···Cl1 ^{iv}	0.834 (15)	2.321 (15)	3.1543 (17)	177 (2)

Symmetry codes: (i) $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, \frac{1}{2} + z$; (ii) $1 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - z$; (iii) $x, \frac{3}{2} - y, z - \frac{1}{2}$; (iv) $2 - x, y - \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{2} - z$.

H atoms of the water molecule were located in a difference Fourier map and refined with O–H and H···H distances restrained to 0.82 (2) Å and 1.39 (1) Å, respectively, and with $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}$ (parent atom). The other H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on their parent atoms at distances of $\text{Csp}^3\text{—H} = 0.96$ Å with

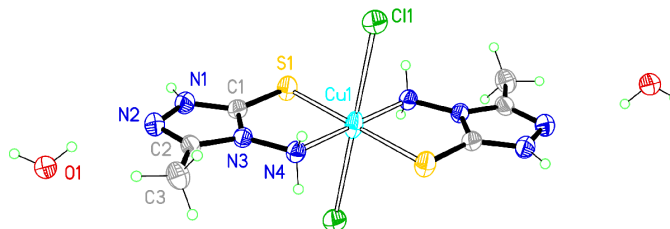


Figure 1

The coordination environment of the Cu^{II} ion in (I), with the atom numbering, showing displacement ellipsoids at the 50% probability level. Unlabeled atoms are related to labeled atoms by $1 - x, 2 - y, 2 - z$.

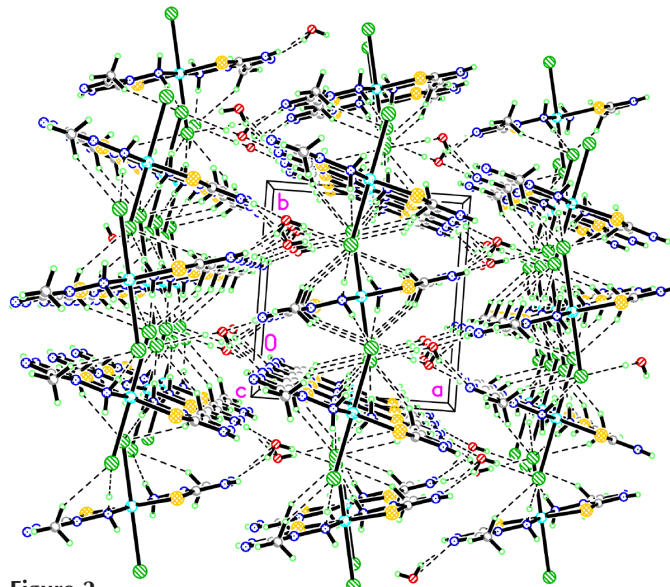


Figure 2

The three-dimensional network formed by hydrogen bonds (shown as dashed lines).

$U_{\text{iso}} = 1.5U_{\text{eq}}$ (parent atom), $\text{N—H} = 0.86$ or 0.90 Å with $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}$ (parent atom).

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

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