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Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 K Mean σ (C–C) = 0.007 Å Disorder in main residue R factor = 0.050 wR factor = 0.137 Data-to-parameter ratio = 12.6

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catena-Poly[[[*µ*-4,4'-bipyridine-bis[aquacopper(II)]]di-*µ*-2-nitroterephthalato]

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In the title polymeric compound, $[Cu_2(C_8H_3NO_6)_2(C_{10}H_8N_2)-(H_2O)_2]_n$, the unique Cu atom, the water molecule and the nitrogen heterocycle lie on mirror planes, and the disordered nitrophthalate dianion lies on a twofold axis. The Cu atom shows square-planar coordination as it is bonded to the O atoms of two carboxyl groups, to the N atom of a pyridyl ring and to a water molecule.

Comment

Although the terephthalate dianion has been used as the dicarboxylate counter-ion for the synthesis of transition metal carboxylates, and although the 4,4'-bipyridine nitrogen heterocycle has been used as a spacer ligand in a plethora of adducts with transition metal carboxylates, there is only one example of a system that exhibits both features, *i.e.* a rigid terephthalate dianion and a rigid spacer molecule (Tao *et al.*, 2000). This zinc complex has the dianion engaged in both μ_{2^-} and μ_4 -bridging modes. A similar reaction with a copper salt as the reagent yielded the title compound, (I) (Fig. 1); both the dianion and spacer units function in the expected μ_2 -bridging modes, but the metal atom shows only square-planar geometry. The bridging modes lead to the formation of a twodimensional network architecture that is consolidated further by hydrogen bonds.



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Experimental

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0.31 mmol) and water (10 ml) were sealed in a 20 ml Teflon-lined stainless steel reactor. The reactor was heated to 413 K for 24 h. After it was cooled, block-shaped deep-blue crystals were obtained.

Mo $K\alpha$ radiation

reflections $\theta = 24-232^{\circ}$

 $\mu = 1.67~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$

T = 295 (2) K

Block, blue

 $\begin{aligned} R_{\rm int} &= 0.082\\ \theta_{\rm max} &= 27.5^\circ \end{aligned}$

 $h = -27 \rightarrow 18$

 $k = -21 \rightarrow 21$

 $l = -9 \rightarrow 9$

Cell parameters from 1365

 $0.29 \times 0.15 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$

1579 independent reflections

980 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

Crystal data

$$\begin{split} & [\mathrm{Cu}_2(\mathrm{C_8H_3NO_6})_2(\mathrm{C_{10}H_8N_2})(\mathrm{H_2O})_2] \\ & M_r = 737.52 \\ & \text{Orthorhombic, } Cmca \\ & a = 21.662 \ (2) \ \text{\AA} \\ & b = 16.726 \ (2) \ \text{\AA} \\ & b = 16.726 \ (2) \ \text{\AA} \\ & c = 7.405 \ (1) \ \text{\AA} \\ & V = 2683.0 \ (5) \ \text{\AA}^3 \\ & Z = 4 \\ & D_x = 1.826 \ \text{Mg m}^{-3} \\ & Data \ collection \\ & \text{Bruker SMART area-detector} \end{split}$$

diffractometer φ and ω scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Bruker, 2001) $T_{\min} = 0.656, T_{\max} = 0.825$ 7488 measured reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2	H-atom parameters constrained
$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.050$	$w = 1/[\sigma^{\bar{2}}(F_o^2) + (0.0768P)^2]$
$wR(F^2) = 0.137$	where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
S = 0.92	$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001$
1579 reflections	$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.64 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
125 parameters	$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.49 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, $^{\circ}$).

Cu1-O1 Cu1-O1 <i>w</i>	1.939 (3) 1.928 (5)	Cu1-N1	1.993 (5)
$\begin{array}{c} O1 - Cu1 - O1^{i} \\ O1 - Cu1 - O1w \end{array}$	170.0 (2)	O1-Cu1-N1	93.1 (1)
	86.8 (1)	O1w-Cu1-N1	178.9 (2)

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

The nitro group has only half-occupancy and it is disordered together with an H atom. The group was refined with a C–N distance restraint of 1.47 (1) Å and an N–O distance restraint of 1.21 (1) Å. Additionally, the displacements of its two O atoms were restrained to be approximately isotropic. The carbon-bound H atoms were positioned geometrically $[C-H = 0.93 \text{ Å} \text{ and } U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(C)]$ and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation. The unique H atom of the O1w water molecule was positioned to fit the electron density $[O-H = 0.85 \text{ Å} \text{ and } U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(O)]$.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2001); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2001); data reduction: *SAINT*; program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *ORTEPII* (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: *SHELXL97*.

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Figure 1

ORTEPII plot (Johnson, 1976) of a fragment of the polymeric structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level and H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. Dashed lines represent bonds to adjacent structural units. [Symmetry code: (i) 1 - x, y, z.]



Figure 2

View of the two-dimensional network in (I). Nitro groups and H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

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