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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 KMean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.003 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.042 wR factor = 0.113 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.9

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# catena-Poly[bis[aquacopper(I)- $\mu$ -4,4'-bipyridine- $\kappa^2 N:N'$ ] terephthalate dihydrate]

The 4,4'-bipyridine spacer in the crystal structure of the title compound,  $\{[Cu(C_{10}H_8N_2)_2(H_2O)]_2(C_8H_4O_4)\cdot 2H_2O\}_n$ , links the water-coordinated Cu<sup>I</sup> atoms into a linear chain in which the metal atom exists in a T-shaped environment  $[N-Cu-N = 156.6 (1)^\circ]$ . Interacting through the coordinated water molecules, the chains connect with the centrosymmetric terephthalate dianions and uncoordinated water molecules to form a three-dimensional network structure.

#### Comment

In the presence of copper(II) ions and under hydrothermal conditions, 1,10-phenanthroline forms a phenanthrolinol that is isolated as the copper derivative; 2,2'-bipyridine also undergoes hydroxylation under hydrothermal conditions (Tao et al., 2002; Zhang et al., 2002; Zheng et al., 2004). Hydroxide ions that are contributed by sodium hydroxide appear to be crucial, and the present study explores an analogous synthesis with 4,4'-bipyridine, which typically functions as a spacer, in place of the chelating 2,2'-bipyridine analogue. A previous study of the hydrothermal reaction of copper(II) nitrate, terephthalic acid and this heterocycle in the absence of sodium hydroxide reported the formation of the co-crystal  $[Cu(C_8H_4O_4)(C_{10}H_8N_2)] \cdot C_8H_6O_4$  (Baeg & Lee, 2002). The synthesis of this copper(II) compound was aimed at duplicating the synthesis of the mixed-valence compound bis(4,4'-bipyridyl)tris( $\mu_2$ -terephthalato- $\kappa^4 O, O', O'', O'''$ )tetracopper(I,II), which used an aqueous ethanol medium (Lo et al., 2000). The present synthesis yielded catena-poly[bis-[aquacopper(I)- $\mu$ -4,4'-bipyridine- $\kappa^2 N:N'$ ] terephthalate dihydrate], (I), as the main phase (Fig. 1).



The cation exists as a linear chain with the spacer ligand functioning in the usual bridging mode; the three-coordinate copper(I) atom shows T-shaped coordination. The chains are linked to the terephthalate dianion (which lies on a centre of inversion) and the uncoordinated water molecule (Table 2), resulting in a three-dimensional network structure.

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Figure 1

**ORTEPII** plot (Johnson, 1976) of a portion of the structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the 50% probability level and H atoms are drawn as spheres of arbitrary radii. [Symmetry codes: (i) 2 - x,  $\frac{1}{2} + y$ ,  $\frac{3}{2} - z$ ; (ii) 1 - x, 2 - y, -z].

## Experimental

Copper(II) nitrate trihydrate (0.241 g, 1 mmol), 4,4'-bipyridine (0.078 g, 1 mmol), terephthalic acid (0.167 g, 1 mmol), sodium hydroxide (0.040 g, 1 mmol) and water (10 ml) were placed in a 23 ml Teflon-lined stainless steel Parr bomb. The bomb was then heated at 443 K for 2 d. After the bomb had cooled slowly to room temperature at a rate of 10 K h<sup>-1</sup>, blue crystals of the copper(I) compound were isolated from the solution.

#### Crystal data

 $[Cu(C_{10}H_8N_2)_2(H_2O)]_2(C_8H_4O_4)$   $D_x = 1.63$ 
 $2H_2O$  Mo Kar

  $M_r = 675.62$  Cell para

 Monoclinic,  $P_{2_1}/c$  reflect

 a = 9.4575 (8) Å
  $\theta = 2.3-2$  

 b = 21.398 (2) Å
  $\mu = 1.63$  

 c = 7.1568 (6) Å
 T = 295 

  $\beta = 110.639$  (1)°
 Block, bl

 V = 1355.4 (2) Å<sup>3</sup>
  $0.35 \times 0$  

 Z = 2 Data collection

diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Bruker, 2002)  $T_{\min} = 0.468, T_{\max} = 0.706$ 

8085 measured reflections

#### Refinement

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Refinement on F^2

R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.042

wR(F^2) = 0.113

S = 1.03

3062 reflections

206 parameters

H atoms treated by a mixture of

independent and constrained

refinement
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$$\begin{split} D_x &= 1.655 \text{ Mg m}^{-3} \\ \text{Mo } K\alpha \text{ radiation} \\ \text{Cell parameters from 2203} \\ \text{reflections} \\ \theta &= 2.3-27.4^{\circ} \\ \mu &= 1.63 \text{ mm}^{-1} \\ T &= 295 \text{ (2) K} \\ \text{Block, blue} \\ 0.35 \times 0.26 \times 0.23 \text{ mm} \end{split}$$

3062 independent reflections 2442 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{int} = 0.027$  $\theta_{max} = 27.5^{\circ}$  $h = -11 \rightarrow 12$  $k = -18 \rightarrow 27$  $l = -9 \rightarrow 8$ 

 $w = 1/[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0639P)^{2} + 0.208P]$ where  $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$  $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.38 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$  $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.32 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

### Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Cu1—O1 <i>w</i> Cu1—N1	2.185 (2) 1.912 (2)	Cu1-N2 <sup>i</sup>	1.915 (2)
D1w-Cu1-N1 $D1w-Cu1-N2^{i}$	100.3 (1) 102.7 (1)	$N1-Cu1-N2^i$	156.6 (1)
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Symmetry code: (i)  $2 - x, \frac{1}{2} + y, \frac{3}{2} - z$ .

# Table 2Hydrogen-bonding geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
O1 <i>w</i> −H1 <i>w</i> 1····O1	0.84(1)	1.85(1)	2.657 (3)	162 (3)
$O1w - H1w2 \cdots O2w$	0.83(1)	1.92 (2)	2.710 (3)	159 (3)
$O2w - H2w1 \cdots O2^{iii}$	0.85(1)	2.07 (2)	2.834 (4)	151 (4)
$O2w - H2w2 \cdots O2^{iv}$	0.84 (1)	2.00 (2)	2.772 (3)	151 (3)

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

H atoms were placed in calculated positions (C–H = 0.93 Å) and were included in the refinement in the riding-model approximation, with  $U_{\rm iso}(H)$  values set at 1.2 times  $U_{\rm eq}(C)$ . The water H atoms were located in difference Fourier maps and were refined with a distance restraint of O–H = 0.85 (1) Å.

Data collection: *SMART* (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: *SAINT* (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: *SAINT*; 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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