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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean  $\sigma(C-C) = 0.002 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.025 wR factor = 0.073 Data-to-parameter ratio = 14.1

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# Bis(dimethylammonium) aquadioxalatocuprate(II) monohydrate

In the title compound,  $(C_2H_8N)_2[Cu(C_2O_4)_2(H_2O)]\cdot H_2O$ , the cations, anions and water molecules are linked by hydrogen bonds into a network structure. Two oxalate dianions and one water molecule are coordinated to the Cu atom and the geometry is square pyramidal.

## Comment

The design and synthesis of supramolecular inorganic architectures exhibiting novel properties provide exciting new opportunities (Swiegers & Malefetse, 2002; Johnson & Raymond, 2001; Hof *et al.*, 2002). In the synthesis of supramolecular inorganic architectures by design, the assembly of molecular units in predefined arrangements is a key goal (Desiraju, 1995, 1997; Braga *et al.*, 1998). Directional intermolecular interactions are the primary tools in achieving this goal and hydrogen bonding is currently the best among them (Zaworotko, 1997; Braga & Grepioni, 2000). We report here the structure of the title compound, (I).



Compound (I) consists of dimethylammonium cations,  $[Cu(C_2O_4)_2H_2O]^{2-}$  anions and solvent water molecules. The geometry around the Cu atom is square pyramidal, arising from coordination by two oxalate dianions and a water molecule (Fig. 1). The cations, anions and water molecules interact through  $O-H\cdots O$  and  $N-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonds (Table 2) to generate a three-dimensional network (Fig. 2).



#### Figure 1

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### Figure 2

A perspective view of the molecular packing of (I), with hydrogen bonds shown as dashed lines.

## **Experimental**

Copper(II) chloride dihydrate (0.04 g, 0.2 mmol) was dissolved in aqueous dimethylamine (40%, 10 ml), and the solution was mixed with a dimethylformamide solution (10 ml) of oxalic acid dihydrate (0.03 g, 0.2 mmol) and 2.2'-dithiosalicylic acid (0.07 g, 0.2 mmol). The reaction mixture was filtered. Blue prism-shaped crystals separated from the solution after about a month.

#### Crystal data

$(C_2H_8N)_2[Cu(C_2O_4)_2(H_2O)] \cdot H_2O$ $M_r = 367.81$ Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$ a = 11.7600 (16) Å b = 9.5328 (13) Å c = 15.3997 (16) Å $\beta = 118.103$ (8)° V = 1522.9 (2) Å <sup>3</sup>	$D_x = 1.604 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ Mo Kα radiation Cell parameters from 2706 reflections $\theta = 2.0-25.1^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.48 \text{ mm}^{-1}$ T = 298 (2) K Pricm blue
V = 1522.9 (5) R Z = 4	$0.50 \times 0.27 \times 0.14 \text{ mm}$
Data collection	
Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer $\omega$ scans Absorption correction: multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Sheldrick, 1996) $T_{min} = 0.63, T_{max} = 0.81$ 7740 measured reflections	2706 independent reflections 2436 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $R_{int} = 0.020$ $\theta_{max} = 25.1^{\circ}$ $h = -14 \rightarrow 14$ $k = -11 \rightarrow 11$ $l = -18 \rightarrow 10$
Refinement	
Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.025$ $wR(F^2) = 0.073$ S = 1.06 2706 reflections 192 executes	$w = \frac{1}{[\sigma^{2}(F_{o}^{2}) + (0.0421P)^{2} + 0.272P]}$ where $P = (F_{o}^{2} + 2F_{c}^{2})/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} = 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 0.28 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$
192 parameters H-atom parameters constrained	$\Delta \rho_{\min} = -0.32 \text{ e A}^{-5}$ Extinction correction: SHELXL97

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Sel	lected	geometric	parameters	(A,	°)	ļ
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Cu1-O1	1.9334 (12)	Cu1-O6	1.9480 (11)
Cu1-O2	1.9640 (12)	Cu1-O9	2.3540 (15)
Cu1-O5	1.9377 (12)		
O1-Cu1-O2	84.57 (5)	O2-Cu1-O6	94.82 (5)
O1-Cu1-O5	94.58 (5)	O2-Cu1-O9	93.74 (5)
O1-Cu1-O6	176.01 (6)	O5-Cu1-O6	85.34 (5)
O1-Cu1-O9	95.78 (6)	O5-Cu1-O9	96.19 (6)
O2-Cu1-O5	170.07 (6)	O6-Cu1-O9	88.19 (5)

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Hydrogen-bond	geometry	(Å,	°).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
O10−H10B····O7	0.81	1.97	2.7443 (18)	160
$O10-H10A\cdots O8^{i}$	0.81	2.03	2.8415 (18)	174
$N2-H2B\cdots O8^{i}$	0.90	2.25	2.929 (2)	132
$N2-H2B\cdots O7^{i}$	0.90	2.13	2.907 (2)	144
$N2-H2A\cdots O10^{ii}$	0.90	1.88	2.776 (2)	175
$N1 - H1B \cdot \cdot \cdot O3^{iii}$	0.90	2.24	3.065 (2)	152
$N1 - H1B \cdot \cdot \cdot O4^{iii}$	0.90	2.14	2.809 (2)	130
$N1 - H1A \cdots O6$	0.90	2.48	3.2006 (19)	137
$N1 - H1A \cdots O2$	0.90	2.12	2.896 (2)	143
O9−H9B···O3 <sup>iii</sup>	0.82	2.05	2.8525 (19)	167
$O9-H9A\cdots O4^{iv}$	0.82	1.99	2.7722 (19)	158
Symmetry codes: $-x + 2, y - \frac{1}{2}, -z + \frac{1}{2};$ (2)	(i) $x, -y - x + 2, -y - y - y - y - y - y - y - y - y - y$	$+\frac{1}{2}, z + \frac{1}{2};$ (i z + 1, -z.	i) $-x + 1, y + \frac{1}{2},$	$-z + \frac{1}{2};$ (iii)

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and allowed to ride on

their parent atoms, at distances of 0.82 (O-H), 0.90 (N-H) and 0.96 Å (C-H), and with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}$  (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: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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