

Tetra- μ -benzoato- $\kappa^8\text{O}:\text{O}'$ -bis[(2-benzamido-
pyridine- κN^1)copper(II)]

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Key indicators

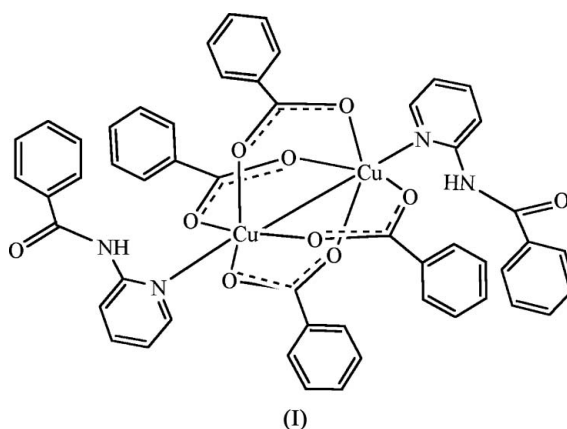
Single-crystal X-ray study
 $T = 298\text{ K}$
Mean $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.008\text{ \AA}$
 R factor = 0.054
 wR factor = 0.119
Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.4For details of how these key indicators were
automatically derived from the article, see
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.

The title complex, $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2)_4(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O})_2]$, forms a dimer of the paddle-wheel type located on a crystallographic inversion center. The two Cu^{II} atoms [$\text{Cu}-\text{Cu} = 2.6377(11)\text{ \AA}$] are connected by four benzoate ligands. The apical positions of the square-pyramidal copper coordination polyhedra are occupied by the N atoms of 2-benzamidopyridine ligands. The crystal structure is stabilized by $\pi-\pi$ stacking involving the phenyl and pyridine groups.

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Comment

Coordination polymers containing symmetric multidentate carboxylate molecules as bridging ligands have attracted increasing attention because of their interesting network structures and potential applications in many fields (Yaghi *et al.*, 1997; Chui *et al.*, 1999). As part of our research interest in 2-benzamidopyridine and benzoic acid bridged polymeric complexes, the title complex, (I), was obtained by the reaction of 2-benzamidopyridine with cuprous chloride and benzoic acid. As shown in Fig. 1, the molecular structure consists of discrete centrosymmetric $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{C}_7\text{H}_5\text{O}_2)_4(\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{N}_2\text{O})_2]$ dimers of the paddle-wheel cage type, with an inversion center located at the mid-point of the $\text{Cu}-\text{Cu}$ vector. These Cu atoms each have a distorted square-pyramidal environment if the $\text{Cu}-\text{Cu}$ interaction is ignored, with the four basal positions occupied by bridging benzoic acid O atoms. Selected distances and angles are reported in Table 1. Consolidation of the crystal structure is achieved by offset or slipped $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions.



Experimental

Benzoic acid (2 mmol) and 2-aminopyridine (6 mmol) were dissolved in absolute ethanol (30 ml). The mixture was heated under reflux with

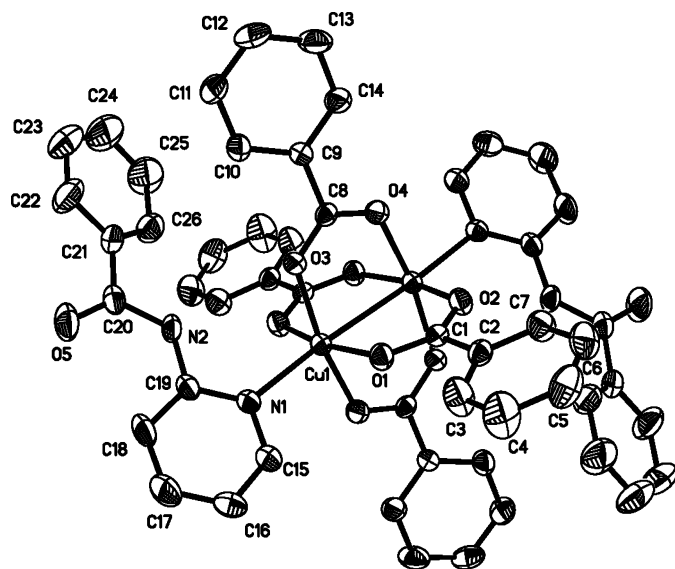


Figure 1

The structure of the title complex, showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. H atoms have been omitted. Unlabeled atoms are related to labeled atoms by the symmetry code $(2-x, 1-y, 1-z)$.

stirring for 1.5 h. Cuprous chloride (2 mmol) was added to the solution. The mixture was stirred for 5 h at room temperature, and half of the solvent was evaporated in a rotary vacuum evaporator. The resulting solution was filtered and the filtrate left in air for about six weeks, after which large green block-shaped crystals suitable for X-ray analysis were formed. Elemental analysis found: C 61.84, H 3.75, N 5.48%; calculated for $C_{52}H_{40}Cu_2N_4O_{10}$: C 61.96, H 3.99, N 5.56%.

Crystal data

$[Cu_2(C_7H_5O_2)_4(C_{12}H_{10}N_2O)_2]$
 $M_r = 1007.96$
 Triclinic, $P\bar{1}$
 $a = 10.209(2) \text{ \AA}$
 $b = 10.730(2) \text{ \AA}$
 $c = 11.075(2) \text{ \AA}$
 $\alpha = 101.661(3)^\circ$
 $\beta = 94.736(3)^\circ$
 $\gamma = 92.709(4)^\circ$

$V = 1181.5(4) \text{ \AA}^3$
 $Z = 1$
 $D_x = 1.417 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
 Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
 $\mu = 0.96 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
 $T = 298(2) \text{ K}$
 Block, green
 $0.26 \times 0.21 \times 0.12 \text{ mm}$

Data collection

Siemens SMART 1000 diffractometer
 φ and ω scans
 Absorption correction: multi-scan (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996)
 $T_{\min} = 0.788, T_{\max} = 0.893$

6272 measured reflections
 4112 independent reflections
 2543 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$
 $R_{\text{int}} = 0.035$
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$

Refinement

Refinement on F^2
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.054$
 $wR(F^2) = 0.120$
 $S = 1.01$
 4112 reflections
 307 parameters

H-atom parameters constrained
 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0463P)^2]$
 where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.001$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.48 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.34 \text{ e \AA}^{-3}$

Table 1

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

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|---------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cu1—O4 ⁱ | 1.950 (3) | Cu1—O1 | 1.973 (3) |
| Cu1—O3 | 1.952 (3) | Cu1—N1 | 2.208 (3) |
| Cu1—O2 ⁱ | 1.961 (3) | Cu1—Cu1 ⁱ | 2.6377 (11) |
| O4 ⁱ —Cu1—N1 | 95.03 (13) | O3—Cu1—Cu1 ⁱ | 83.41 (8) |
| O3—Cu1—N1 | 97.21 (13) | O2 ⁱ —Cu1—Cu1 ⁱ | 87.35 (9) |
| O2 ⁱ —Cu1—N1 | 99.97 (13) | O1—Cu1—Cu1 ⁱ | 80.95 (9) |
| O1—Cu1—N1 | 91.72 (12) | N1—Cu1—Cu1 ⁱ | 172.67 (10) |
| O4 ⁱ —Cu1—Cu1 ⁱ | 84.71 (9) | | |
| N1—C19—N2—C20 | −178.3 (5) | N2—C20—C21—C22 | −152.4 (5) |
| C19—N2—C20—O5 | 3.6 (9) | O5—C20—C21—C22 | 27.5 (8) |

Symmetry code: (i) $-x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1$.

All H atoms were positioned geometrically and treated as riding on their parent atoms, with $N-H = 0.86 \text{ \AA}$, $C-H = 0.93 \text{ \AA}$ and $U_{\text{iso}}(H) = 1.2U_{\text{eq}}(C, N)$.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SMART; data reduction: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997a); molecular graphics: SHELXTL (Sheldrick, 1997b); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXTL.

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