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#### Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 KMean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.008 Å R factor = 0.056 wR factor = 0.165 Data-to-parameter ratio = 13.8

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# azole- $\kappa N^3$ }(perchlorato- $\kappa O$ )[tris(2-aminoethyl)amine- $\kappa^4 N$ ]copper(II) perchlorate

In the crystal structure of the title compound,  $[Cu(ClO_4)-(C_{22}H_{17}ClN_2)(C_6H_{18}N_4)]ClO_4$ , the  $Cu^{II}$  ion assumes a distorted octahedral coordination geometry.

{1-[(2-Chlorophenyl)diphenylmethyl]-1*H*-imid-

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# Comment

Clotrimazole {or 1-[(2-chlorophenyl)diphenylmethyl]-1Himidazole}, is an imidazole N-substituted antifungal agent commonly used in the treatment of fungal infections of both humans and animals such as vaginal yeast infections and ringworm. The coordination of such an organic drug with known biological activities to a metal may produce different biological activity (Navarro et al., 2006). We report here the crystal structure of the title clotrimazole complex of Cu<sup>II</sup>, (I).



The molecular structure of (I) is shown in Fig. 1. The Cu<sup>II</sup> ion is located in an N<sub>5</sub>O coordination environment with a distorted octahedral geometry. Atoms N4, N5, N6 and O1 form the equatorial plane, with a maximum deviation of 0.093 (2) Å for O1. Atoms N2 and N3 occupy the axial positions, with an N2–Cu1–N3 bond angle of 177.12 (15)° (Table 1). The Cu<sup>II</sup> ion is displaced by 0.168 (2) Å from the equatorial plane.

 $N-H\cdots O$  hydrogen bonding between amino and perchlorate groups (Table 2) helps to stabilize the crystal structure.

# Experimental

To a stirred solution of clotrimazole (1.0 mmol) and Cu(ClO<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·6H<sub>2</sub>O (1.0 mmol) in absolute methanol (30 ml), a solution of tris(2-aminoethyl)amine (1.0 mmol) in absolute methanol (10 ml) was added dropwise. After stirring for 2 h at 320 K, the resulting precipitate was filtered off. Single crystals of (I) were obtained by slow evaporation of the filtrate after 16 d.

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# Crystal data

$$\begin{split} & [\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{ClO}_4)(\mathrm{C}_{22}\mathrm{H}_{17}\mathrm{ClN}_2)(\mathrm{C}_6\mathrm{H}_{18}\mathrm{N}_4)] \\ & \mathrm{ClO}_4 \\ & M_r = 753.51 \\ & \mathrm{Monoclinic}, \ P2_1/c \\ & a = 7.7303 \ (16) \ \mathrm{\AA} \\ & b = 21.938 \ (5) \ \mathrm{\AA} \\ & c = 18.932 \ (4) \ \mathrm{\AA} \\ & \beta = 94.614 \ (3)^\circ \end{split}$$

# Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 2002)  $T_{\rm min} = 0.692, T_{\rm max} = 0.826$ 

#### Refinement

#### Refinement on $F^2$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.056$ $wR(F^2) = 0.165$ S = 1.025760 reflections 416 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

#### Table 1

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

Cu1-O1	2.453 (4)	Cu1-N4	2.095 (4)
Cu1-N2	2.066 (3)	Cu1-N5	2.075 (4)
Cu1-N3	2.104 (4)	Cu1-N6	2.077 (4)
N2-Cu1-N5	97.48 (15)	N6-Cu1-N3	83.79 (15)
N2-Cu1-N6	98.58 (15)	N4-Cu1-N3	83.31 (15)
N5-Cu1-N6	97.78 (17)	N2-Cu1-O1	86.43 (13)
N2-Cu1-N4	93.93 (14)	N5-Cu1-O1	174.20 (15)
N5-Cu1-N4	98.53 (16)	N6-Cu1-O1	85.81 (14)
N6-Cu1-N4	157.93 (15)	N4-Cu1-O1	76.87 (13)
N2-Cu1-N3	177.12 (15)	N3-Cu1-O1	92.15 (15)
N5-Cu1-N3	83.76 (16)		

# Table 2

Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$
$N4-H4A\cdotsO2^{i}$	0.90	2.34	3.172 (6)	154
N4-H4 $B$ ···O4 <sup>ii</sup>	0.90	2.35	3.127 (7)	144
$N5-H5A\cdots O8$	0.90	2.21	3.068 (7)	160
N5-H5 $B$ ···O3 <sup>i</sup>	0.90	2.14	3.030 (6)	171
N6-H6A···O3	0.90	2.28	3.074 (6)	147
N6−H6 <i>B</i> ···O7	0.90	2.33	3.222 (8)	174

Symmetry codes: (i) x - 1, y, z; (ii) -x + 2, -y + 1, -z + 1.



16722 measured reflections 5760 independent reflections 4006 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.037$  $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.2^{\circ}$ 

$$\begin{split} &w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0787P)^2 \\ &+ 6.2079P] \\ &where \ P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3 \\ (\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.001 \\ \Delta\rho_{\rm max} = 0.98 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \\ \Delta\rho_{\rm min} = -0.53 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3} \end{split}$$



## Figure 1

The molecular structure of (I), shown with 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

H atoms were positioned geometrically and treated as riding on their parent atoms, with aromatic C-H = 0.93 Å, primary amine N-H = 0.90 Å and methylene C-H = 0.97 Å.  $U_{iso}(H)$  values were set at  $1.2U_{eq}(C,N)$ .

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

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