

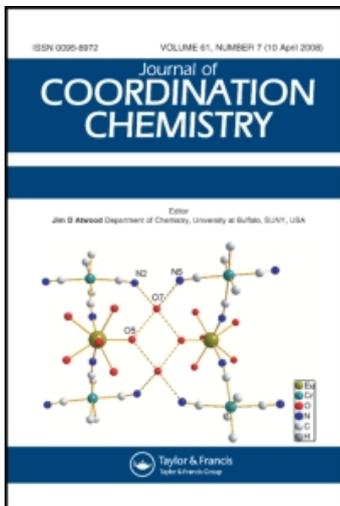
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Review

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This review classifies almost 600 polymeric Cu(II) compounds. The various geometries are found in increasing number in the order: four- (mostly square-planar) < five- (mostly square-pyramidal) << six-coordinate (mostly tetragonal-bipyramidal). The most common ligands are oxygen and nitrogen atoms. The ligands range from mono- to undecadentate. In most examples, apical positions are occupied by oxygen-donor ligands. In general, the mean Cu–L(equatorial) bond length is shorter than the respective Cu–L(apical) bond length. The shortest Cu–Cu distance in the series of four-coordinate derivatives is 2.95 Å, five-coordinate 2.652(2) Å and six-coordinate 2.977(2) Å. Several relationships between the various structural parameters were found and are discussed.

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0. ABBREVIATIONS

abhpH	2-amino-4-bromohydroxy-pyridinium
abpo	azobispyridine-4,4'-di-N-oxide
ac	acetate
acac	acetylacetonate
acval	N-acetyl-DL-valinate
(ae) ₂ a	bis(2-aminoethyl)ammonium
aebg	1-(2-aminoethyl)biquanide
aeim	4-(2-aminoethyl)imidazole
aep	2-(2-aminoethyl)pyridine
ala	D,L-alaninate
β -alaH	β -alaninium
α -alaha	α -alaninehydroxamate
4-ambp	4-aminobenzoylphenone
am-1,2,4-trz	4-amino-3-methyl-1,2,4-triazole
ambz	2-amino-3-methylbenzoate
amoxa	N,N'-bis(2-aminoethyl)-2-methylpropyl oxamidate
amp	aminomethylphosphonate
2-amp	2-(2-aminomethyl)pyridine
4-amp	4-methyl-2-aminopyridinium
6-amp	6-methyl-2-aminopyridinium
amtzt	4-amino-3-methyl-1,4-dihydro-1,2,4-triazole-5-thiane
ampr	(R,S)-1-amino-2-propanol
anH	anilinium
ap	allopurinol
3-ap	3-aminopropanolate
apae	[2-(3-aminopropyl)amino]ethanolate
3-apH	3-aminopropanol
apox	N,N'-bis(3-aminopropyl)oxamide
aud	1,1-aminoudecane

ba	bromazepam
bdmap	1,3-bis(dimethylamino)propan-2-ol
bhben	N,N'-bis(2-((o-hydroxybenzhydrylidene)amino)ethyl)-1,2-ethanediamine
bhedto	N,N'-bis(2-hydroxyethyl)dithiooxamide
bheg	N,N-bis(2-hydroxyethyl)glycinate
bim	benzimidazolium
bimd	benzimidazole
bistrien	1,4,7,10,16,19,22-octaazacyclotetracosane
bmima	bis[2-(1-methylimidazolyl)methyl]amine
bmpcb	N,N'-bis(6'-methylpyridine-2'-carboxamido)-1,2-benzene
bpepc	N,N'-bis[2-(2-pyridyl)ethyl]-2,3-pyrazine-dicarboxamide
bpca	bis(2-pyridylcarbonyl)amide
4-bpipH	4-benzylpiperidinium
bpm	2,2'-bipyrimidine
2,2'-bpy	2,2'-bipyridine
4,4'-bpy	4,4'-bipyridine
bpydc	2,2'-bipyridine-3,3'-dicarboxylate
2-Brpy	2-bromopyridine
4-Brpy	4-bromopyridine
bsala	N-benzenesulphonyl-DL-alaninate
but	butyrate
bzNH ₃	benzylammonium
2-bzpy	2-benzoylpyridine
cab	5-[(2-carboxyphenyl)azo]-1,3-dimethylbarbiturate
caf	caffeine
cba	carbamide
cdta	cyclohexane-1,2-diamine-N,N,N',N'-tetraacetate
ceidac	((2-carboxyethyl)imino)diacetate
cg	cyanoquanidine
chd	1,2-cyclohexanediol
C ₆ Cl ₂ O ₄	3,6-dichloro-2,5-dihydroxo-1,4-benzoquinonate
CH ₆ N ₃	quanidium
C ₂ H ₆ O ₂	1,2-ethanediol
C ₆ H ₂ (COO) ₄	1,2,4,5-benzotetracarboxylate
(C ₆ H ₁₃)PO ₂	di- <i>n</i> -hexylphosphinate
C ₁₁ H ₇ N ₂	1,2,6,7-tetracyano-3,5-diimino-3,5-dihydropyrrolizinide
C ₃₂ H ₅₄ N ₂ O ₈	(1-oxy-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-4-yl)pivaloylacetate

C ₄ O ₄	squarate
C ₅ O ₅	croconate
cim	cimetidine
cit	citrate
4-Clan	p-chloroanilin
Cl ₃ ac	trichloroacetate
cma	9,10-dihydro-9-oxo-10-acridine acetate
cmval	N-carboxymethyl-L-valinate
CNacac	3-cyano-2,4-pentanedionate
cpa	cyclopentylammonium
cpidac	N-(o-carboxyphenyl)iminodiacetate
cpo	2-C-carboxypentane
5-crown-5	penta-oxa-1,4,7,10,13-cyclopentadecane
15-crown-5	crown ether
cy	tetraprotonated 1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane
cyt	cytosine
daca	diacetatamide
dap	1,3-diammonium-2-propanole
dbap	3-N,N-di-n-butylamino-1-propanolate
2,6-dbh	2,6-dihydroxybenzoate
dcap	diacetoamidopropionate
dcb	1,3-dimethyl-5-((2-carboxyphenyl)azo)barbiturate
dds	dodecylsulphate
dddo	3,9-dimethyl-4,8-diaza-3,8-undecadiene-2,10-dionedioxime
deae	2-diethylaminoethanolate
deap	3-N,N-diethylamino-1-propanolate
degly	N,N-diethylglycinate
den	di-(2-aminoethyl)amine
dien	diethylenediamine
dio	1,4-dioxane
dmae	2-dimethylaminoethanolate
dmap	3-N,N-dimethylamino-1-propanolate
dmbp	N,N'-dimethyl-4,4'-bipyridilium
dmcan	dimethylcantharate
dmf	dimethylformamide
dmhx	7,9-dimethylhypoxanthine
dmsO	dimethylsulfoxide
dota	1,4,7,10-tetra-azacyclododecane-N,N',N'',N'''-tetra-acetate

dpae	2-dipropylaminoethanolate
dpg	diphenylethanedione dioxime
dppo	bis(1,2-diphenylphosphinyl)ethane
dppz	3,6-di(2-pyridyl)pyridazine
dpt	di-(3-aminopropyl)amine
dtac	3,13-dimethyl-3,13-dinitro-1,5,11,15-tetraazaicosane-8,18-diol
2,2'-dtdp	dithiopropionate
4-dtma	diethylenetriaminemonoacetate
dtmp	4-diethylenetriamine mono-3-propionate
dto	3,6-dithiaoctane
ea	ethanolamine
edta	ethylenediaminetetraacetate
egl	ethylene glycol
en	ethylenediamine
enbs	N,N'-ethylenebis(salicylideneiminato)
Et ₂ nia	N,N'-diethylnicotinamide
(EtO) ₂ PS ₂	diethylthiophosphate
Et ₂ PO ₂	diethylphosphate
Et ₄ todit	4,5,6,7-tetrathiocino[1,2-b:3,4-b']diimidazolyl-1,3,8,10-tetraethyl-2,9-dithione
fa	formamide
fu	5-(aminosulphonyl)-4-chloro-2-[(2-furanylmethyl)-amino]benzoate (furisemide)
gh	glycyl-L-histidinate
glt	glycyl-L-leucyl-L-tyrosine
glu	glutamate
gly	glycinate
gly-L-ala	glycyl-L-alaninate
glygly	glycylglycinate
gly-L-met	glycyl-L-methionate
gmp	quanosine 2'-monophosphate
gp	quanosine 5'-phosphate
hfacac	hexafluoroacetylacetonate
his	L-histidine
hist	histamine
hmta	hexamethylenetetramine
hyxa	hypoxanthine
ida	iminodiacetate
im	imidazole

imH	imidazolate
i-pa	isopropylammonium
iptac	(isopropylthio)acetate
L-asp	L-aspartate
L-leu-L-tyr	L-leucyl-L-tyrosine
L-lys	L-lysinate
L-lys-L-tyr	L-lysyl-L-tyrosine
L-met-cys	methionyl-S-methylcysteine
L-prl	L-prolinate
L-tryp	L-tryptophane
L-tyr-L-his	L-tyrosine-L-histidine
L-val-L-tyr	L-valine-L-tyrosine
D-lys	D-lysinate
maep	2-(2-methylaminoethyl)pyridine
mal	maleate
map	9-methylallopurinol
mapm	1-methyl-4-aminopyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidine
mapox	N,N-bis[(3-methylamino)propyl]oxamide
mbp	tetraisopropylmethylene bisphosphonate
mcim	cimetidine modified by solvolysis of the nitrile function
mdap	2-methyl-1,2-diaminopropane
Me ₂ CNO ₂	propane-2-nitronate
Me ₂ cys	D,L-β,β-dimethylcysteate
Me ₂ en	N,N'-dimethylenediamine
Me ₄ en	N,N,N',N'-tetramethylenediamine
1-Meim	1-methylimidazole
2-Meim	2-methylimidazole
mel	mellitate
melH	melaminium
meppz	3-methyl-4-ethyl-5-phenylpyrazole
2-Mepy	2-methylpyridine
2-MepyNO	2-methylpyridine-N-oxide
3-Mepy	3-methylpyridine
4-Mepy	4-methylpyridine
4-Mepz	4-methylpyrazolate
2,4-Me ₂ py	2,4-dimethylpyridine
mgu	9-methylguanine
mpa	N-methylphenethylammonium
mpym	mepirizole
mpu	9-methylpurine

ms	methanesulphonate
msa	N-methylsalicylaldiminate
msc	S-methyl-N-(salicylidene)isothiosemicarbazidate
mtactd	2-methyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane-1-ene
nac	nitroacetate
nbteta	(6-p-nitrobenzyl)-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane-1,4,8,11-tetraacetate
nbtfac	(p-nitrobenzoyl)trifluoroacetate
nic-NO	nicotinate-N-oxide
nitme	2,4,4,5,5-pentamethyl-1-oxyimidazoline-3-oxide
oadp	oxalamide-N,N'-di-3-propionate
oaoH ₂	oxamidedioxime
ocidac	β -oxyethyliminodiacetate
odac	oxydiacetate
4-OHbz	hydroxybenzoate
2-OH-1,3-pn	2-hydroxy-1,3-propanediamine
8-OHqu	8-hydroxyquinoline
oro	ororate
oth	1,4-oxathiane
ox	oxalate
oxH	oxalic acid
oxd	oxamidoximate
paphy	pyridine-2-carboxaldehyde 2-pyridylhydrazone
pcpci	N-(2'-pyridylethyl)pyridine-2-carboximidate
pepci	N-(2'-pyridylcarbonyl)pyridine-2-carboximidate
pgly	5'-phosphoridoxylidene-glycinate
phen	1,10-phenanthroline
Ph(Me)PO ₂	phenylmethylphosphinate
Ph ₂ PO ₂	diphenylphosphate
o-pht	o-phthalate
o-phhH	dihydrogen-diphthalate
picr	picrate
pipH	piperidinium
pipzH ₂	piperazinium
piz	piperazine
pl-o-phen	N,N'-(1,2-phenylene)bis(pyridoxal-hydrochloride-iminate)
placc	Schiff base formed between 1-aminocyclopropane-carboxylic acid and pyridoxal
pmim	1-(2-pyridylmethyl)imidazole

pmsH	N'-pyridylmethylene-N''-salicyloylhydrazinate
1,2-pn	1,2-propanediamine
pp	4-(phosphomethyl)-2-hydroxo-2-oxo-1,4,2-oxaphosphoridinate
ppala	5'-phosphopyridoxylidene-DL-phenylalaninate
pptyr	pyridazolphosphate-DL-tyrosinate
ppzH	5-phenylpyrazole
pq	N,N'-dimethyl-4,4'-dipyridilium
ptyr	5'-phosphopyridoxylidene-DL-tyrosinate
Pu	purine
pur	purinium
px	pyridoxine
pxH	deprotonated pyridoxin
py	pyridine
pydc	pyridinium
pyNO	pyridine N-oxide
pyvgly	pyruvylideneglycinate
pyx	pyridoxylidene
pz	pyrazolate
pzH	pyrazole
pzc	pyrazinecarboxylate
pzdc	2,3-pyrazinedicarboxylate
pys	pyridine-3-sulphonate
pyz	pyridazine
pz	pyrazine
sal	salicylate
sbc	6,6'-spiro-bi(1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane)
sc	semicarbazide
schb	Schiff base between(1 <i>R</i>)-3-hydroxymethylenecamphor and (<i>S</i>)-phenylalanine
ser	L-serinate
sgly	N-salicylideneglycinate
sglu	N-salicylidene-(<i>S</i>)-(+) -glutamate
styr	N-salicylidene-L-tyrosinate
suc	succinate
ta	terephthalate
tace	tetraacetyethanate
tandp	3 <i>N</i> ,7 <i>N</i> -(1,3,5,7-tetraazabicyclo[3,3,1]nonyl)-dipropionate
tart	meso-tartrate

D-tart	D-tartrate
taz	tenuazonate
tcb	1,2,4,5-tetracyanobenzene
tda	thiodiacetate
terpy	2,2':6',2''-terpyridine
tet	tetrathionate
teta	1,4,8,11-tetra-azacyclotetradecane-N,N',N'',N'''- tetraacetate
tgly	N-tosylglycinate
th	tetrazolyl-1-acetylhydrazide
thf	tetrahydrofuran
4-tl	4-toluidine
tmpo	4-hydroxy-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidiny-N-oxy
tmso	tetramethylene sulphoxide
tp	[1,2,4]triazolo[1,5a]pyrimidine
tpmb	1,3,5-tris(pyrazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene
tppr	3,3'-thiopropionatopropionate
trien	diethylenetriamine
tt	trithionate
ttcd	1,5,9-trithiacyclododecane
1,2,4-trz	1,2,4-triazole
tsa	N-p-tolylsalicylideneaminat
tscac	thiosemicarbazideacetate
ttt	4,16-dioxa-1,7,13,19-tetrathia[7,7]-(2,5)-1,3,4- thiadiazolophane
tz	thiazole
val	(±)valine

1. INTRODUCTION

The chemistry of Cu(II) compounds has been extensively investigated, and the relationship between structure and reactivity ranging from industrial catalysis to biomedical activity is of major importance. The overwhelming majority of X-ray studies of transition metal compounds are of copper compounds. Many structural studies of Cu(II) compounds have been carried out and have been classified and analyzed, mononuclear four- and five-coordinate,¹ six-, seven- and eight-coordinate² dimeric derivatives,³ trimeric and oligomeric derivatives.⁴ To date there has not been a comprehensive overview of polymeric Cu(II) structural chemistry, and this present report is

aimed at providing such a survey up to 1992. This includes over 600 published polymeric Cu(II) structures which have been analyzed and classified in order to assist in the understanding of the stereochemical interactions in the coordination sphere of the Cu(II) species.

The systems discussed have been sorted by the coordination number of the Cu(II) atom. Within each coordination number, the compounds are listed in order of increasing covalent radius of the principle coordinating ligand atom and increasing complexity of the coordination sphere.

2. POLYMERIC COMPOUNDS

2.1. Four-Coordination

Crystallographic and structural data for polymeric four-coordinate Cu(II) compounds are gathered in Table I. There are 23 derivatives, mostly blue or green with some yellow compounds. In a dark blue derivative⁵ the Cu(II) atom lies on a center of symmetry and is surrounded by O atoms from four phosphate groups in a nearly perfect square-planar arrangement. The Cu(II) atoms are joined by a double phosphate bridge. These bridges are linked in polymeric chains running along *b*. The distance between the bridged Cu(II) atoms is 4.9 Å which ruled out a bond.

A structure of another deep blue derivative⁶ consists of well-separated infinite chains of centrosymmetric spiro-fused eight-membered rings extending along the crystallographic (110) direction. Each of the eight-membered rings consists of two Cu(II) atoms bridged by two phosphinate groups. The two crystallographically independent rings have qualitatively similar conformations which can be described as distorted chairs. The Cu(II) atoms have D_{2d} flattened tetrahedral coordination geometry. The Cu–Cu separation is 4.9555(8) Å.

The structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Bu}_2\text{PO}_2)_2$ ⁷ is very similar to that of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Et}_2\text{PO}_2)_3$,⁶ which also contains double phosphinate bridges. The copper atoms have the same D_{2d} flattened tetrahedral coordination geometry observed previously for $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Et}_2\text{PO}_2)_2$.⁶ The Cu–Cu separation of 4.938(2) Å is slightly shorter than the value of 4.9555(8) Å in the ethyl analog.⁶

The structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Ph}_2\text{PO}_2)_2$ ⁸ also consists of infinite chains of centrosymmetric eight-membered rings formed by two copper atoms bridged by two phosphinato groups, but the Cu(II) atom resides on a crystallographic center of symmetry having a nearly square-planar coordination geometry.

TABLE I Crystallographic and structural data for polymeric Cu(II) coordination compounds: four-coordination^a

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
Cu(μ -amp) ₂ (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	7.571(2) 4.943(1) 11.212(3)	105.84(2)	CuO ₄	μ ampO ^b 1.933(3,5)	4.94	O ₂ O ^b 90.1(1,1,4)	5
Cu(μ -Et ₂ PO ₂) ₂ (deep blue)	tr P-1 2	7.700(1) 9.807(1) 10.101(1)	90.48(1) 104.77(1) 112.21(1)	CuO ₄	μ Et ₂ PO ₂ O 1.918(1,4)	4.9555(8)	O,O 94.2(5,1,8) 148.5(6,1,3)	6
Cu(μ -Bu ₂ PO ₂) ₂ (blue)	tr P-1 2	12.245(6) 9.863(5) 9.819(5)	101.18(4) 105.78(5) 93.77(4)	CuO ₄	μ Bu ₂ PO ₂ O 1.920(4,6)	4.938(2)	O,O 94.8(2,1,2) 146.5(2,7)	7
Cu(μ -Ph ₂ PO ₂) ₂ (blue)	m C2/c 4	16.618(2) 5.081(1) 25.582(2)	96.39(2)	CuO ₄	μ Ph ₂ PO ₂ O 1.914(3,3)	5.081(1)	O,O 90.0(1,7)	8
Cu(μ -(C ₆ H ₁₃) ₂ PO ₂) ₂ (blue)	tr P-1 2	9.800 12.336(6) 13.352(8)	88.53(3) 74.02(4) 82.33(3)	CuO ₄	μ PO ₂ O 1.909(3,23)	4.9310(8)	O,O 94.13(12,1,83)	9
Cu(μ -acva1) ₂ (blue)	tr P-1 1	5.687(4) 6.224(1) 12.634(2)	95.48(1) 89.80(4) 98.46(4)	CuO ₄	μ acva1O 1.935(3,27)	Not given	O,O 90.0(1,4)	10
(CN ₃ H ₆) ₂ [Cu(μ -CO ₃) ₂] (not given)	tg P-4n2 8	9.068(2) 12.583(3)		CuO ₄	μ CO ₃ O O 1.956(3,0) 1.968(3,0)	Not given	O,O 93.6(1) 151.0(1) 90.0(1,2,1) 174.2(1)	11
[Cu(μ -taz) ₂] · H ₂ O (light blue)	m P2 ₁ 4	13.77(1) 15.51(1) 11.14(1)	109.5(2)	CuO ₄	μ tazO 1.87(2,1)	Not given	O,O 94.5(10,5)	12
				CuO ₅	μ tazO 1.86(2,1) 2.56(—)		O,O 95.5(10,3,5) 93.3(—,6,8)	

TABLE I (Continued)

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
$\text{Cu}_3(\mu\text{-OH})_2(\mu\text{-nicNO})_2\cdot$ $(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2 \cdot (\text{nicNO})_2$ (bluish green)	tr P-1 1	7.881(9) 9.658(11) 10.368(12)	97.32(9) 110.38(9) 109.53(9)	$\text{CuO}_4 (\times 1)$ $\text{CuO}_5 (\times 2)$	μnicNO 1.933(2,21) μnicNO 1.979(2) 2.426(2) nicNO 1.943(2) H_2O 1.925(1) μHO 1.876(1) μMepzN 1.962(2)	3.035	O,O 90.00(7,2.72) O,O 90.95(7,6.40) 103.56(7) 158.73(7) 176.28(6)	13
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-4-Mepz})_2$ (green)	or Ibam 4	9.7436(6) 12.6106(8) 7.7482(6)		CuN_4	μpzN 1.957(2,0)	Not given	N,N 96.8(1,3.1) 139.7(1)	14
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pz})_2$ (green) (at 294 K)	or Ibam 4	7.917(1) 11.491(2) 7.778(1)		CuN_4	μpzN 1.959(2,0)	Not given	N,N 96.2(1,2.6) 139.5(1)	15
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pz})_2$ (not given) (at 116 K)	or Ibam 4	7.870(2) 11.259(2) 7.807(3)		CuN_4	μpzN 1.959(2,0)	Not given	N,N 96.5(5,2.7) 140.72(5)	15
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2](\text{pq})$ (black)	tg $\text{P4}_2/\text{n}$ 4	16.28(3) 5.90(2)		CuCl_4	μCl 2.36(2,2)	2.95	Cl_1Cl 108(1,1,5)	16
$\{(\text{ac})_2\text{a}\}[\text{CuCl}_4]\text{Cl}$ (yellow)	or Pnma 4	7.117(4) 23.78(1) 7.342(4)		CuCl_4	μCl 2.274(9,2) 2.876(4)	Not given	Cl_1Cl 89.4(2,1,1)	17
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}_2] \cdot$ $[\text{Cu}(\text{mbp})_2(\mu\text{-Cl})]$ (yellow brown)	tr P-1 1	10.799(1) 11.129(1) 11.509(1)	99.56(1) 115.24(1) 94.69(1)	CuCl_4 CuO_4Cl_2	μCl 2.267(1,56) 2.1939(8) mbpO 1.944(2,10) μCl 2.865(1)	3.3570(4)	Cl_1Cl 96.94(3,1,50) 86.04(2) 147.90(3,1,34) Cl_1Cl 180.0(—) Cl_1O 90.00(4,2,10) O,O 180.0(—) 90.00(7,2,64)	18

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α -Cu(μ -mse) ₂ (green)	or Ibam 4	24.71(2) 9.25(1) 6.66(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂	O 1.901(—,0) N 1.989(—,0)	3.33	O,N 91.1	19
Cu(μ -ambz) ₂ (dark green)	or Pbca 4	9.580(2) 7.213(1) 21.867(3)	CuO ₂ N ₂	O 1.954(3) N 2.054(3)	Not given	N,O 88.0(4)	20
Cu(μ -ttt)(NO ₃) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	8.674(2) 7.7115(6) 17.143(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂	O ₂ NO 1.988(2) μ tttN 1.978(2)	Not given	N ₂ O 89.69(7)	21a
Cu(μ -L-glu)(im) (violet)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	24.286(2) 8.604(1) 5.075(1)	CuO ₂ N ₂	μ gluO 1.942(6,15) μ gluN 1.989(6) imN 1.957(6)	Not given	O,N 84.4(2) ^c 91.9(2,3,4) O,O 176.3(2) N,N 172.6(2)	21b
Cu(μ -dippo)Cl ₂ (greenish blue)	m C2/c 4	12.206(2) 20.172(4) 10.559(1)	CuO ₂ Cl ₂	μ dppoO 1.960(—,0) Cl 2.195(—,0)	Not given	Cl,O 97.1(—) 140.1(—) O,O 90.6(—) Cl,Cl 100.5(—)	22
Cu(H ₂ O) ₂ Cl ₂ (5-crown-5) (light green)	or Cmcm 8	15.667(3) 8.004(2) 27.304(9)	CuO ₂ Cl ₂	H ₂ O 1.93(2) Cl 2.21(1,4)	Not given	Cl,Cl 151.5(6) Cl,O 93.2(9,1.5) O,O 154.4(18) Cl,Cl 180	23
Cu(H ₂ O) ₂ Br ₂ (5-crown-5) (not given)	m P2 ₁ 2	8.698(4) 13.740(7) 8.019(4)	CuO ₂ Br ₂	H ₂ O 1.98(3,3) Br 2.358(4,9)	Not given	Cl,O 90.0(9,1.9) O,O 176.1(18) Br,Br 148(1) O,Br 94(1,6) O,O 150(1)	24
[Cu(μ -Et ₄ todit)Cl ₂]·thf (green)	or Fdd2 16	32.674(6) 34.547(6) 10.162(3)	CuCl ₂ S ₂	μ toditS 2.340(7,1) Cl 2.198(6) 2.235(6)	7.601(4) 9.185(5)	S,S 155.1(3) Cl,S 92.0(2,5,7)	25

^aWhere more than one chemically equivalent distance or angle is present the mean value is tabulated. The first number in parenthesis is e.s.d., the second is a maximum deviation from the mean value. ^bThe chemical identity of coordinated atom/ligand is specified in these columns. ^cFive-membered metallocyclic ring.

The Cu–Cu separation of 5.081(1) Å is longer than found for the other Cu(II) phosphinates.^{5–7}

A structure of blue $\text{Cu}\{\mu\text{-(C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{)}_2\text{PO}_2\}_2$ ⁹ consists of well-separated infinite chains of centrosymmetric spiro-fused eight-membered rings propagating along the crystallographic *c*-axis. The Cu(II) atoms have the same D_{2d} flattened tetrahedral coordination geometry observed for the ethyl⁶ and *n*-butyl⁷ derivatives. The CuO_4 chromophores in the *n*-butyl and *n*-hexyl derivatives are slightly less compressed than in the ethyl derivative ($\alpha = 74.3^\circ$, 73.3° and 73.0° for the ethyl, *n*-butyl, and *n*-hexyl derivatives, respectively). The Cu–Cu separation found in the *n*-hexyl derivative is 4.9310(8) Å.

In another blue derivative¹⁰ the Cu(II) atom lies on the symmetry center and displays a square-planar geometry arising from coordination of one carboxylic O and one peptide O belonging to different *N*-acetyl-DL-valinato ligands, giving rise to a polymeric structure.

In polymeric $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-CO}_3)_2]$ ^{2–11} two independent copper atoms are present. One lies on a site of 222 symmetry ($\frac{1}{2}, 0, \frac{1}{2}$), while the other is on a site of -4 symmetry at ($\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}$). In both cases, the environment of the Cu(II) atom comprises four oxygen atoms drawn from nearby carbonate groups, only one oxygen atom about each copper atom being independent, as the remaining are generated from it by the site symmetry. One Cu(II) atom is *pseudo*-tetrahedrally coordinated and the other Cu(II) atom is square-planar (Table I).

The asymmetric unit of a light blue derivative¹² contains four chemically equivalent tenuazonate ligands chelated to two Cu(II) atoms. Each ligand is chelated to a Cu(II) atom through its acetyl oxygen and the amide-(2-carbonyl)oxygen of the pyrrolidene ring. The Cu(II) atoms differ from each other; one is in a square-planar arrangement (CuO_4) and the other is square-pyramidal (CuO_5). The dimers are hydrogen-bonded into sheets by water molecules.

The structure of one unit of the polymer¹³ is shown in Figure 1. In one structural unit of the polymer there are three Cu(II) atoms (Cu1, Cu2 and Cu2') quite close to each other. The distance between them is 3.035 Å. Four nicotinate *N*-oxide groups, two hydroxide groups and two water molecules are coordinated with the copper atoms. The structural units are connected with each other through two *N*-oxide oxygen atoms which are coordinated to Cu2 and Cu2' atoms in separate units. The coordination around Cu1 is square-planar and around Cu2 (Cu2') is distorted square-pyramidal (Table I).

There are three green derivatives^{14,15} where structures involve extended chains of pyrazolate-bridged Cu(II) atoms extending along the *c* crystallographic axis. The coordination geometry about the Cu(II) atoms is

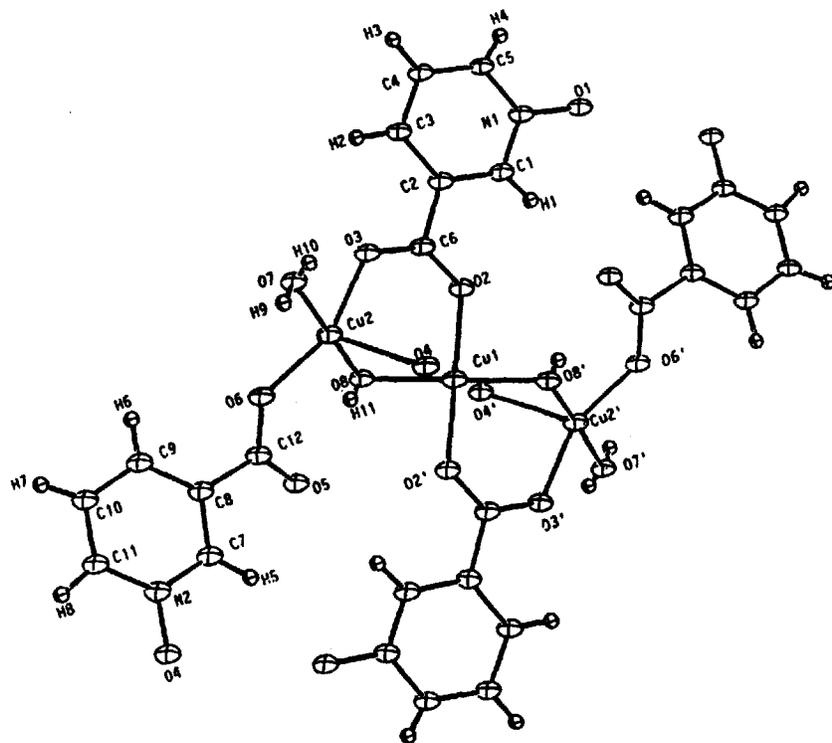


FIGURE 1 Structure of one $\text{Cu}_3(\mu\text{-OH})_2(\mu\text{-nicNO})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2(\text{nicNO})_2$.¹³

distorted tetrahedral with Cu–N distances of 1.962(2), 1.961(5) and 1.957(2) Å in 4-Mepz, 4-Clpz and pz structures. The three unique N–Cu–N angles correspond to N atoms related to one another by three mutually perpendicular twofold axes intersecting at the copper (D_2 symmetry): those within the planar six-membered $\text{Cu}(\text{N}-\text{N})_2\text{Cu}$ rings are 99.4(1)° (pz), 99.9(1)° (4-Mepz) and 100.5(3)° (4-Clpz), and the others are 94.3(1) and 139.5(1)° (pz); 93.7(1) and 139.7(1)° (4-Mepz); 92.4(2) and 140.8(3)° (4-Clpz), respectively.

The structure of a black derivative¹⁶ contains planar paraquat cations and two crystallographically distinct types of chemically similar $[\text{CuCl}_2]_n^{n-}$ chain anions which extend parallel to the (001) axis of the crystal. Each Cu(II) atom is surrounded by a tetrahedron of chlorine atoms, each chlorine bridges two copper atoms. The tetrahedra about the copper atoms are significantly flattened along the -4 axis parallel to the fourfold crystal

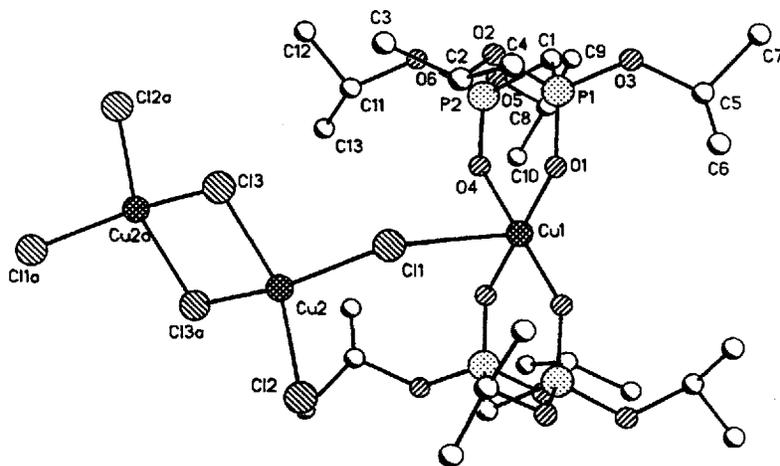


FIGURE 2 Structure of alternating $\text{Cu}(\text{mbt})_2^{2+}$ and $\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_6^{2-}$ ions.¹⁸

axis. The flattening gives mean $\mu\text{Cl}-\text{Cu}-\mu\text{Cl}$ angles of 113° and 103° , very acute $\text{Cu}-\text{Cl}-\text{Cu}$ angles are 77° , and reduces the $\text{Cu}-\text{Cu}$ distance within the chain to 2.95 \AA .

A yellow derivative¹⁷ exhibits a network of planar CuCl_4^{2-} anions, and thermochromism was observed both above and below room temperature.

The structure of a yellow brown derivative¹⁸ is comprised of essentially linear chains of alternating $\text{Cu}(\text{mbp})_2^{2+}$ cations and $\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_6^{2-}$ anions which are linked together by singly-bridging chlorine atoms of the anion (Figure 2). Two such bridges result in a tetragonal geometry about the $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ in the centrosymmetric cation, with the chlorine bridges forming elongated bonds to the axial positions of the cation. The $\text{Cu}_2\text{Cl}_6^{2-}$ anions are centrosymmetric with the two copper centers in the dimer linked together by a double chlorine bridge. The geometry of the $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ in the anion is *pseudo*-tetrahedral (dihedral angle = $44.34(2)^\circ$). The $\text{Cu}-\text{Cu}$ separation in the anion is $3.3570(4) \text{ \AA}$ and $\text{Cu}-\text{Cl}-\text{Cu}$ bridge angles are $93.96(3)^\circ$.

The planar molecules of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-msa})_2$ ¹⁹ form chains along the *c*-axis with a $\text{Cu}-\text{Cu}$ separation of 3.33 \AA . In a dark green derivative²⁰ the coordination of the $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atom is square-planar, with four methyl-amino-benzoate ligands acting as bridging bidentate ligands. Each $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atom is bonded to two carboxylate O atoms of two different ligands and to two N atoms of two other ligands. The O and N atoms are in *trans* positions. The bridging ligands lead to the (010) plane.

In a crystal structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-ttr})(\text{NO}_3)_2$ ²¹ the macrocyclic ligand 4,16-dioxa-1,7,13,19-tetrathia[7,7]-(2,5)-1,3,4-thiadiazolophane, does not encapsulate a Cu(II) atom to form a discrete complex, but coordinates externally through the nitrogen atom to form linear polymers. The centrosymmetric square-planar Cu(II) atom is coordinated in *trans* fashion by an N atom from each of two macrocycles ($\text{Cu-N} = 1.978(2) \text{ \AA}$) and by two nitrate ions ($\text{Cu-O} = 1.988(2) \text{ \AA}$). The macrocycles are themselves centrosymmetric, yielding infinite chains of alternating macrocycles and metal centers along the *a*-axis of the crystal.

In a greenish blue derivative²² the Cu(II) atom lies on a twofold axis and the bis(1,2-diphenylphosphinyl)ethane ligand lies on a center of symmetry. The crystal consists of infinite chains of CuCl_2 units linked by the phosphine oxide which is functioning as a bridging ligand (Table I). In a light green derivative²³ the $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ structural fragments are situated between two 15-crown-5 molecules, forming a polymeric chain with the inorganic and organic parts of the molecule alternating by hydrogen bonds.

The structure of $\text{CuBr}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2(15\text{-crown-5})$ ²⁴ is similar to that of the chlorine adduct.²³ Coordination around the Cu(II) atom²⁵ involves two chlorine atoms and two S-thioamide atoms of two Et_4toidit molecules related by a screw axis, and is nearer to a square-planar than to a tetrahedral arrangement. The bridging Et_4toidit ligands form helical chains running parallel to the *c*-axis. The Cu-Cu distances in and between the chains are 7.601(4) and 9.185(5) \AA , respectively.

Inspection of the data in Table I reveals two limiting coordination geometries are generally observed, square-planar and tetrahedral, from which the former prevails. In the series of four-coordinated derivatives the following chromophores are found: CuO_4 ,⁵⁻¹¹ CuN_4 ,^{14,15} CuCl_4 ,¹⁶⁻¹⁸ CuO_2N_2 ,¹⁹⁻²¹ CuO_2Cl_2 ,^{22,23} CuO_2Br_2 ²⁴ and CuCl_2S_2 .²⁵ There are two examples^{12,13} which contain are two non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms with the chromophores CuO_4 (square-planar) and CuO_5 (square-pyramidal). In¹⁸ a tetrahedral CuCl_4 and a tetragonal-bipyramidal (CuO_4Cl_2) moieties are present.

In general, the mean Cu-L bond distances elongate with the covalent radius (in parenthesis) of the coordinated atom in the order: 1.95 \AA (OL, 0.73 \AA) < 2.20 \AA (Cl, 0.99 \AA) < 2.36 \AA (Br, 1.14 \AA) for monodentate; and 1.92 \AA (OL, 0.73 \AA) < 1.98 \AA (NL, 0.75 \AA) < 2.34 \AA (SL, 1.02 \AA) for bidentate ligands. The mean Cu-Cl (terminal) bond distance of 2.20 \AA is shorter by about 0.10 \AA than that of the Cu-Cl (bridge) bond distance. In the series of hetero-bidentate ligands (O and N donor atoms), the mean Cu-L bond distances are 1.93 \AA (O) and 2.02 \AA (N), respectively. The Cu-Cu distances range from 2.95 \AA ¹⁶ to 7.601 \AA .²⁵

2.2. Five-Coordination

Crystallographic and structural data for these compounds is presented in Table II. There are over 150 such derivatives in which Cu(II) atoms have primarily a square-pyramidal configuration and quite complex chain structures. For example, in $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-dota})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ²⁶ the Cu(II) atoms are in completely different environments. The two Cu(II) atoms are bridged by four carboxylate groups which come from four different macrocycles (Cu–Cu distance is 2.652(2) Å) and each Cu(II) additionally binds a water molecule. Another Cu(II) atom is coordinated by two carboxylate oxygens and four nitrogen atoms of the macrocycle which is folded to give a *cis*-octahedral geometry (CuN_4O_2).

The structure of a blue $\text{Cu}_4(\mu\text{-ac})_8(\text{bpy})_2$ complex²⁷ (Figure 3) is composed of one-dimensional, well-separated polymeric chains, containing two different types of Cu_2 units, each at a crystallographic center of symmetry. The chains are formed by alternating $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ac})_4$ and $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ac})_2(\text{bpy})_2]^{2+}$ units that are linked by syn–anti bridging acetates. The Cu–Cu vectors are not colinear but form a zig-zag line, with $\text{Cu}(2')\text{--Cu}(2)\text{--Cu}(1)$ and $\text{Cu}(2)\text{--Cu}(1)\text{--Cu}(1')$ angles of 166.0(1)° and 135.9(1)°, respectively. The $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ac})_4$ unit contains four bidentate bridging acetates with $\text{Cu}(2)\text{--Cu}(2')$ distance of 2.669(1) Å and Cu(2) lies 0.216 Å above the O_4 least-squares plane towards O_2 apical. The other dimeric unit, $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ac})_2(\text{bpy})_2]^{2+}$ has a centrosymmetric structure with two acetate groups providing mono-atomic bridges,

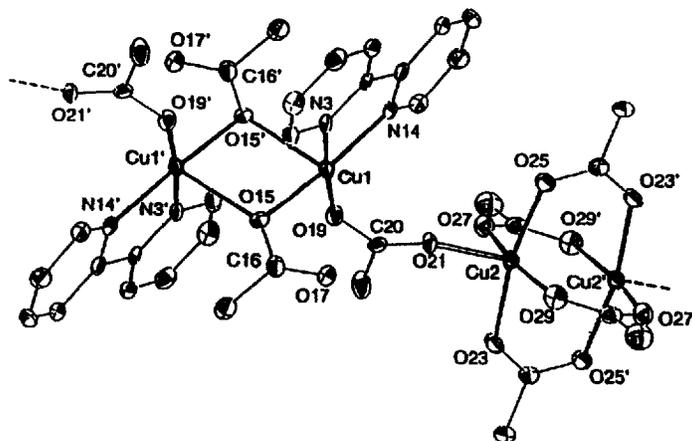


FIGURE 3 Structure of $\text{Cu}_4(\mu\text{-ac})_8(2,2'\text{-bpy})_2$.²⁷

TABLE II Crystallographic and structural data for polymeric Cu(II) compounds; five-coordination^a

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore Cu-out of plane [Å]	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°] μ L-Cu- μ L [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.	
[Cu ₂ (μ -dota)(H ₂ O) ₂] 3H ₂ O (not given)	m	11.607(5)		CuO ₅	μ dotaO ^b 1.961(8,8)	2.652(2)	O,O ^b Not given	26	
	P2 ₁ /c 4	16.953(5) 12.986(2)	110.82(3)	Not given	H ₂ O 2.164(8)				
Cu ₄ (μ -ac) ₈ (2,2'-bpy) ₂ (blue) (at 118 K)	tr	9.272(2)	102.66(1)	CuO ₅	μ acO ^b 1.976(4,6)	2.669(1)	O,O ^b 92.8(2,6,5) 167.5(2,2)	27	
	P-1 1	14.718(3) 8.023(1)	103.89(1) 94.00(1)	0.216	2.162(3)				
Cu ₄ (μ -ac) ₂ (μ -ac) ₂ (μ -MeO) ₄ (green)	m	11.328(2)		CuO ₅ N ₂	μ acO 1.949(3)	3.358(1)	O,O 91.2(1,1,8)	28	
	B2	18.169(3)		0.029	ac μ O 1.968(3)	101.6(1)	O,N 95.6(2,3,9)		
	4	9.846(2)	94.28(1)	Not given	bpyN 2.011(4,8)	78.4(1)	173.6(2,5)		N,N 80.6(2) ^c
					μ MeO 1.92(3,10)	2.959(4,31)	O,O 76.8(9,2,4)		
Cu ₂ (ac)(μ -As ₃ O ₆) (green)	m	9.93		CuO ₅	acO 1.92(2)	3.014(4,4)	O,O 92.3(9,4,7)	29	
	P2 ₁ /m 2	9.40 5.48	102.0	Not given	As ₃ O ₆ O 1.94(2,2) 2.34(1)	101.8(8,3)	165(5,5)		
Cu ₂ (μ -cit)(H ₂ O) ₂ (green)	m	14.477(9)		CuO ₅	μ citO 1.932(11,22)	3.242(6)	O,O 90.4(5,7,0)	30	
	P2 ₁ /a 4	9.718(6) 6.890(5)	91.27(5)	0.14	2.277(11) cit μ O 1.925(8)	115.2(1)	106.1(5) 159.7(6) 173.8(6)		
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (royal blue)	or	14.195(5)		CuO ₅	μ citO 1.916(11,2)		O,O 89.0(4,8,2)	31	
	Pbca 8	8.955(5) 6.218(5)		Not given	cit μ O 1.916(8) H ₂ O 2.096(11) 2.284(11) μ HCOO 1.950(10,36) μ O 2.397(8)	3.435(4)	O,O 90(1,5)		

TABLE II (Continued)

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore Cu-out of plane [Å]	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°] μ L-Cu- μ L [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
Cu(μ -sal) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ (green)	or Pca2 ₁ 8	7.730(4) 11.795(9) 31.547(19)		CuO ₅ Not given	μ salO 1.969(16,47) 2.264(11,1) H ₂ O 1.955(11,25)	5.114(3) O,O 90.7(6,4,3) 175.6(5,3,0)		32
Cu(μ -sal) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂	m P2 ₁ /a 8	7.730(4) 11.795(9) 31.783(19)	96.98(1)	CuO ₅ Not given	μ salO 1.969(5,41) 2.266(5) H ₂ O 1.956(5,1)	O,O 90.7(3,6,3) 175.6(2,2,4)		32
Cu ₂ (μ -Ph(Me)PO ₂) ₂ (dmf) (blue)	tr P-1 2	10.104(11) 11.110(2) 9.998(1)	112.47(3) 102.01(3) 90.97(2)	CuO ₅ 0.16	O 1.96(1,3) dmfO 2.316(8)	O,O 92.1(5,5,6) 170.8(5,4,3)		33
[Cu(4-OHbz) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₃] 5H ₂ O (not given)	or Cmc2 ₁ 4	24.47(2) 11.47(1) 7.265(5)		CuO ₅ 0.21	OHbzO 1.947(5,0) H ₂ O 1.973(6,10) 2.341(12)	Not given	O,O 89.5(4,4,1) 116.0(4) 154.2(4) 168.7(4)	34
[Cu ₂ (μ_4 -C ₈ H ₃ (COO) ₄)] 10H ₂ O (blue)	m A2/a 4	9.679(5) 18.17(2) 12.18(1)	113.32(5)	CuO ₅ Not given	O 1.957(-,15) 2.259(-)	Not given	O,O 91.3(-,4,7) 126.7(-) 175.2(-)	35
Cu(μ_2 -mal)(H ₂ O) (not given)	m P2 ₁ 2	8.78(2) 7.88(2) 5.35(1)	125.1(5)	CuO ₅ 0.08	μ_2 malO 1.99(2,2) H ₂ O 2.26(2)	Not given	O,O 91(1,3) 176(1,1)	36
[Cu ₃ (μ_4 -mel)(H ₂ O) ₁₀] 4.5H ₂ O (blue)	or Iba2 8	19.277(3) 21.054(7) 12.956(4)		CuO ₅ Not given	μ_4 melO 1.953(10,46) H ₂ O 2.201(8) 2.382(10) 2.425(8)	Not given	O,O 90.2(3,4,7) 102.4(4,2,5)	37
[Cu ₃ (μ -mel)(H ₂ O) ₁₆] 6H ₂ O (not given)	m Ia 4	25.757(1) 9.533(1) 18.540(1)	97.96(1)	CuO ₅ Not given	μ melO 1.94(1,6) H ₂ O 1.98(1,4) 2.39(1,4)	Not given	O,O 80.2(6,1) 91.0(7,6,8) 101.4(5) 173.2(7,7,0)	38

Cu(picr)(acac)(H ₂ O) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ (P2 ₁ /m) 2	11.36 14.95 4.71	103	CuO ₆	μ meIO 2.32(1) 2.51(1) H ₂ O 2.00(2.6)	O,O 81.3(6,1.2) 90.6(5,7.2) 106.9(5,5.5) 172.0(7,5.0) Not given	39
Cu(urea) ₄ (μ -SO ₄) (not given)	or Pcan 4	9.289(1) 13.029(1) 8.891(1)		CuO ₅ Not given	Not given	Not given	40
(Cu(μ -NO ₃) ₂ (MeNO ₂) (blue green)	or Prma 4	12.41(4) 8.30(3) 7.08(3)		CuO ₅ Not given	μ NO ₃ O 1.95(2,1) MeONO 2.31(2)	O,O 88(—,6) 104(—)	41
Cu(μ -MePO ₃)(H ₂ O) (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	8.530(2) 7.602(2) 7.321(2)	90.11(3)	CuO ₅ Not given	μ MePO ₃ O 1.955(2,22) 2.313(2) H ₂ O 1.999(2)	O,O 89.7(5,5) 110.5(1) 166.2(5,3.8)	42
Cu(μ -1,1-N ₃) (μ -1,1,3-N ₃) · (2-Mepy) (black)	m P2 ₁ /a 4	8.237(2) 13.038(4) 8.953(3)	112.23(2)	CuN ₅ Not given	N ₃ μ N 2.010(2,10) μ N ₃ N 1.987(2) 2.273(2) MepyN 1.992(2)	N,N 79.4(1) 94.9(1,5.1) 129.8(1) 164.3(1,4.2)	43
Cu(μ -1,1-N ₃)(μ -1,3-N ₃) · (3-Mepy) (black)	m C2/c 8	23.120(9) 13.751(4) 6.663(2)	100.43(2)	CuN ₅ Not given	N ₃ μ N 1.990(10,30) μ N ₃ N 1.993(9) 2.436(10) MepyN 1.999(9)	N,N 76.9(5) 92.7(4,2.6) 102.7(3,1.7) 153.2(3) 170.5(4)	44
Cu(μ -1,1-N ₃) ₂ (2-Brpy) (black)	tr P-1 2	5.808(2) 8.628(3) 10.256(3)	81.77(2) 75.25(3) 88.09(2)	CuN ₅ Not given	N ₃ μ N 2.007(8,13) 2.332(9) BrpyN 2.076(8)	N,N 80.0(3,2.0) 95.6(3,3.0) 149.1(3) 170.3(4)	45

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[Cu ₂ (μ -1,3-N ₃)(N ₃) ₂ - (Me-en) ₂](PF ₆) (dark green)	m	12.713(1)	102.17(2)	CuN ₅	μ N ₃ N 2.04(1.2)	4.433(2)	N,N 86.2(5.2) ^c	46
	P2 ₁ /c	31.240(4)		0.20	N ₃ N 1.99(1.1)		93.3(5.8,2)	
	8	13.259(6)			2.31(1.3)		168.6(5.4,3)	
Cu(μ -NCO) ₂ (2,4-Me ₂ py) (not given)	tr	10.20(3)	73.6(2)	CuN ₅	Me-enN 2.04(1.3)	4.444(2)	N,N 86.4(4.2) ^c	47
	C-1	10.08(8)	107.5(2)	0.209	μ N ₃ N 2.05(1.1)		93.3(6.9,2)	
	2	10.10(2)	145.8(2)		N ₃ N 2.00(1.1)		168.4(6.4,8)	
Cu(μ -hmta) ₂ (NCO) ₂ (green)	tr	13.731(9)	91.05(4)	CuN ₅	Me-enN 2.05(1.3)	3.33(-,11)	N,N 95.7(7.4,8)	48
	C-1	20.831(9)	90.54(6)	Not given	OCN/ μ N 2.044(20,56)	79.3(8,9)	109.3(6)	
	4	6.426(3)	107.39(6)		hmtaN 2.167(2,40)		151.6(7)	
[Cu(μ -im)(dien)ClO ₄] (pale blue)	m	14.341(4)	114.11(2)	CuN ₅	OCN 1.894(3,5)	Not given	N,N 89.6(1.4,7)	49
	P2 ₁ /c	15.473(2)		Not given	hmtaN 2.167(2,40)		107.2(1)	
	8	12.822(2)			Me ₂ pyN 2.043(15)		135.3(9)	
(cpa)[Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ Cl] (red)	m	10.560(6)	106.06(4)	CuCl ₅	dienN 2.098(7,57)	Not given	N,N 81.9(3,2) ^c	50
	P2 ₁ /n	6.089(1)		0.258	μ imN 2.061(6,4)		93.4(3,2,8)	
	4	15.274(4)			dienN 2.090(8,84)		119.7(3,6,9)	
				Not given	μ imN 2.024(6,40)		170.8(3)	
							N,N 82.5(3,10) ^c	
							93.8(3,1,3)	
							107.9(3)	
							125.2(3,2,3)	
							173.5(3)	
							Cl,Cl 95.41(6,2,71)	
							166.73(3,10)	
							85.49(6,22)	

(4-amp) $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$ (red)	or Pnma 4	11.854(4) 6.663(2) 12.561(5)	CuCl_2 0.353	Cl 2.468(2) μCl 2.322(1,2)	3.405(1) 94.35(4) 85.65(4)	Cl, Cl 95.21(5,3.68) 162.53(3)	50
(6-amp) $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$	or Pnma 4	11.407(6) 6.637(2) 12.785(6)	CuCl_2 0.406	Cl 2.471(1) μCl 2.317(1,6)	3.419(1) 95.11(3) 84.90(3)	Cl, Cl 95.84(4,5.51) 159.81(3)	50
(pipH) $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$ (not given)	m C2/c 4	18.385(7) 8.439(4) 11.878(5)	CuCl_2 Not given	Cl 2.250(1) μCl 2.273(2,29) 2.612(1)	3.440(2,51) 91.3(1,4,2) 85.8(4,1,3)	Cl, Cl 91.90(4,1.90) 104.65(4,3.67) 150.43(4) 177.35(5)	51
(pipH) $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_4\text{Cl}_2]$ (not given)	tr P-1 1	7.984(4) 7.054(4) 6.104(3)	CuCl_2 Not given	Cl 2.272(2) μCl 2.325(3,1) 2.271(3) 2.622(3)	3.446(3,4) 92.5(2,3,4) 87.6(1,3,4)	Cl, Cl 92.1(1,2,3) 101.5(4,3,4) 156.8(1) 173.1(1)	51
(i-pa) $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$ (not given)	tr P-1 2	11.692(8) 7.804(4) 6.106(3)	CuCl_2 Not given	Cl 2.273(2) μCl 2.295(2,26)	3.462(2,45) 92.4(6,3,1) 99.5(7,2,1)	Cl, Cl 90.3(6,5,5) 160.53(8) 175.10(9)	52
(4-bpipH) $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$ (not given)	m C2/c 2	28.877(8) 8.440(2) 12.023(2)	CuCl_2 Not given	Cl 2.261(3) μCl 2.300(3,23) 2.687(3)	3.487(2,72) 86.0(1,1,2)	Cl, Cl 91.8(1,2,3) 104.2(1,4,2) 151.0(1) 177.5(1)	53
(mpa) $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$ (red brown)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	6.193(1) 8.365(1) 25.435(2)	CuCl_2 Not given	Cl 2.257(1) μCl 2.295(1,12) 2.372(1) 2.528(1)	3.502(1,49) 85.0(1,1)	Cl, Cl 92.6(-,7) 101.6(1) 124.4(1) 132.9(1)	54
(dmbp) $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_4\text{Cl}_2]$ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	6.30(1) 12.94(1) 10.63(1)	CuCl_2 Not given	Cl 2.238(-) μCl 2.305(-,25)	Not given 95.8(-,1.8) 84.3(-,1.8)	Cl, Cl 92.6(-,3.3) 105.7(-,3) 148.3(-) 172.5(-)	55
(bim) $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_4]$ (dark brown)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	18.567(6) 6.443(2) 16.810(2)	CuCl_2 Not given	μCl 2.275(2,30) 2.316(2,71) 2.828(1,11)	3.607(1,170) 97.2(6,2)	Cl, Cl 82.8(6,2) 92.3(6,8) 101.4(5,1,3) 169.5(6,5,6)	56

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(meH) $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]$ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	6.6600(1) 10.0598(2) 19.2691(12)	96.011(3)	CuCl ₅ Not given	μ Cl 2.294(2,53) 2.767(2)	Not given 96.7(1,2.2)	Cl, Cl 84.4(1) 92.1(1,4.1) 173.4(1,2.1)	56
(piz) $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]$ (not given)	tr P-1 2	6.081(3) 7.041(3) 7.971(3)	81.14(6) 79.80(3) 68.951(7)	CuCl ₅ Not given	μ Cl 2.300(2,38) 2.692(2)	Not given	Cl, Cl 84.0(1) 92.7(1,5.1) 170.5(1,1.4)	58
(pMe) $_4[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]$ (reddish brown)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	10.967(1) 12.023(1) 10.211(1)	109.86(7)	CuCl ₅ 0.31 Not given	μ Cl 2.293(2,28) 2.606(2)	Not given	Not given	59
(NMe) $_3[\text{Cu}_2(\mu_3\text{-Cl})-$ $(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}]$ (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	6.073(1) 19.58(1) 10.62(1)	99.46(5)	CuCl ₅ Not given	μ Cl 2.2509(8) 2.3165(8,155) 2.5734(8) μ Cl 2.2605(8) 2.3106(8,99) 2.6810(8)	3.6693(5,2310)	Cl, Cl 93.91(2,4.04) 177.49(2)	60
(mapm) $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})\text{Cl}_3]$ (not given)	m C2/c 8	26.319(4) 8.352(2) 22.116(3)	128.41(1)	CuCl ₅ Not given	μ Cl 2.2685(6,99) 2.6855(7) μ_3 Cl 2.3099(5,53) Cl 2.2158(6) μ Cl 2.2723(6,195) 2.3474(6) μ_3 Cl 2.8880(6)	Not given	Cl, Cl 90.59(2,4.65) 106.73(2) 173.12(2)	61
Cu(pur) $(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}_2$ (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	12.723(3) 6.110(1) 17.234(4)	100.11(1)	CuCl ₅ 0.218 Not given	Cl 2.285(2,12) μ Cl 2.317(2) 2.812(2)	Not given 94.7(1)	Cl, Cl 89.6(1,6.7) 100.9(1,2.8) 166.8(1,8.7)	62

[Cu ₃ {15-C-15(MeCN) ₂ }]· [Cu ₃ (μ-Cl) ₆] (brown)	tr P-1 1	9.762(2) 9.644(2) 9.353(2)	95.02(2) 97.80(2) 122.53(2)	CuCl ₅ Not given	μCl 2.304(2,51) 3.072(2) purN 2.563(4) μCl 2.271(4,13) 2.598(3)	Not given 72.6(1)	173.3(1,1,6) N,Cl 90.4(1,6,9) 175.1(1) Cl,Cl 90.0(1,5,2) 107.4(2)	63a
(i-pa)[Cu(μ-Br) ₂ Br] (not given)	tr P-1 2	12.135(6) 8.199(4) 6.397(3)	78.79(3) 124.72(2) 117.22(3)	CuBr ₃ Not given	Br 2.414(3,16) μBr 2.435(2,23) 2.822(2)	3.629(3,16) 91.54(7,3,68)	Br,Br 92.84(7,7,09) 159.75(8) 174.42(8)	63b
[Cu(μ-pgly)(H ₂ O)] 3H ₂ O (not given)	tr P-1 2	8.394(4) 9.819(8) 10.884(7)	101.85(6) 97.48(5) 112.68(5)	CuO ₄ N 0.15	O 1.935(7,33) 2.317(8) N 1.935(9) H ₂ O 1.924(8)	Not given	N,O 84.6(3) ^c 92.3(4) ^d 91.8(3,3,9) 165.6(3,3,0) O,O 93.4(3,3,0) 170.0(3)	64
[Cu(μ-ppyr)(H ₂ O)] 4H ₂ O (green)	tr P-1 2	8.616(2) 11.843(3) 12.177(3)	103.40(2) 112.32(2) 76.50(21)	CuO ₄ N 0.2457(5)	O 1.941(3,40) 2.265(3) N 1.933(4) H ₂ O 1.955(3)	Not given	O,O 94.4(1,8,8) 164.9(1) O,N 83.5(1) ^e 93.0(1) ^d 96.6(1) 166.0(1)	65
[Cu(μ-ptyr)(H ₂ O)] 3.5H ₂ O (not given)	tr P-1 2	8.634(2) 11.827(2) 11.981(1)	94.07(1) 109.57(1) 103.40(1)	CuO ₄ N Not given	O 1.944(2,39) 2.263(2) N 1.930(2) H ₂ O 1.956(2)	Not given	O,O 94.3(1,9,1) 165.0(1) O,N 83.6(1) ^e 92.9(1) ^d 166.0(1)	66
[Cu(μ-ppala)(H ₂ O)] 2.5H ₂ O (not given)	tr P-1 2	8.777(3) 11.736(4) 12.188(4)	97.55(2) 108.72(2) 103.36(2)	CuO ₄ N Not given	O 1.947(7,34) 2.269(7) N 1.923(9) H ₂ O 1.972(8)	Not given	O,O 94.5(3,8,4) 164.6(3) O,N 83.5(3) ^e 92.3(3) ^d 165.7(3)	66

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Cu(μ -ppal)(H ₂ O) (not given)	tr P-1 2	8.670(10) 12.925(12) 12.493(12)	111.7(4) 109.0(4) 65.5(2)	CuO ₄ N Not given	O 1.935(-,45) 2.13(-) N 1.89(-) H ₂ O 1.98(-)	Not given	Not given	67a
Cu(μ -pp)(H ₂ O) (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	9.977(7) 7.801(8) 14.615(11)	108.54(5)	CuO ₄ N Not given	O 1.963(-,24) N 2.064(-) H ₂ O 1.939(-)	Not given	Not given	67b
Cu(μ -deb)(H ₂ O) (not given)	or P2 ₁ -2 ₁ 4	8.171(1) 10.302(3) 17.006(5)		CuO ₄ N 0.184(2)	O 1.937(3.58) N 1.949(3) H ₂ O 2.359(3)	4.962(9)	O,O 89.9(1.6.1) 102.3(1) 162.4(1) O,N 92.8(1.6) ^d 173.9(1)	68
[Cu(μ -sgly)(H ₂ O)]· 0.5H ₂ O (dark green)	m C2/c 8	17.16(3) 6.84(2) 17.57(1)	111.29(5)	CuO ₄ N 0.227	O 1.941(6.13) 2.344(6) N 1.949(6) H ₂ O 2.016(6)	Not given	O,O 89.5(7.1.5) O,N 83.4(7) ^c	69a
[Cu(μ -sgly)(H ₂ O)]· nH ₂ O (green)	or Pca2 ₁ 4	20.21(2) 13.11(1) 7.19(1)		CuO ₄ N Not given	N 2.05(1) O 1.96(1.7) H ₂ O 2.22(1)	Not given	O,O 95(-) 171(-) O,N 105(-) 159(-)	69b
[Cu(μ -place)(H ₂ O)]· (NO ₃)·H ₂ O (dark green)	m P2 ₁ /a 4	13.222(3) 10.820(2) 11.821(3)	110.51(2)	CuO ₄ N Not given	O 1.915(4.29) 2.354(3) N 1.947(4) H ₂ O 1.968(5)	Not given	Not given	69c
[Cu(μ -place)(H ₂ O)] ₂ · 4H ₂ O (green)	tr P-1 2	15.700(2) 11.738(1) 9.281(1)	98.61(1) 97.34(1) 98.16(1)	CuO ₄ N Not given	O 1.927(3.18) 2.294(3) N 1.951(3) H ₂ O 1.968(3)	Not given	Not given	69c

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Cu(μ -EtCO ₂) ₂ (4-tl) (dark green)	tr	12.466(7) 12.183(6) 11.598(6)	116.03(3) 91.73(3) 73.82(3)	CuO ₄ N Not given	tss μ O 1.901(3) 2.519(3) μ tssN 1.968(3)	3.270(6,73) 99.5(6,3)	O,N 92.2(1,3) 100.6(1) 173.1(1)	75
	P-1	12.466(7) 12.183(6) 11.598(6)	116.03(3) 91.73(3) 73.82(3)	CuO ₄ N Not given	μ EtCO ₂ O 1.923(15,6) EtCO ₂ μ O 1.948(14) 2.318(13) tIN 2.318(13)	3.270(6,73) 99.5(6,3)	O,O 89.9(6,9,7) 176.9(6) O,N 89.7(6,5,8) 174.7(6)	
	—	12.466(7) 12.183(6) 11.598(6)	116.03(3) 91.73(3) 73.82(3)	CuO ₄ N Not given	μ EtCO ₂ O 1.939(14,18) EtCO ₂ μ O 1.893(13) 2.465(14) tIN 2.065(15)	3.270(6,73) 99.5(6,3)	O,O 80.7(6) 91.4(6,5,4) 174.0(6) O,N 87.7(6,5,9) 171.5(6)	
Cu(μ -but) ₂ (4-Clan) (green)	m P2 ₁ /a 8	12.586(3) 12.883(2) 21.532(4)	104.73(5)	CuO ₄ N Not given	but μ O 1.941(8) 2.405(8) μ butO 1.940(8,11) ClanN 2.068(8)	3.283(3,36)	O,O 92.2(6,5) O,N 87.8(6,5,0)	76
	—	12.586(3) 12.883(2) 21.532(4)	104.73(5)	CuO ₄ N	but μ O 1.941(8) 2.405(8) μ butO 1.940(8,11) ClanN 2.068(8) but μ O 1.923(8) 2.442(8)	3.283(3,36)	O,O 91.8(7,1,4) O,N 87.8(6,4,7)	
	—	12.586(3) 12.883(2) 21.532(4)	104.73(5)	CuO ₄ N	μ butO 1.940(8,14) ClanN 2.063(9)	3.283(3,36)	O,O 91.8(7,1,4) O,N 87.8(6,4,7)	
[Cu(μ -px)(pxH)]NO ₃ · 2.5H ₂ O (green)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	14.839(2) 10.977(5) 13.028(2)	99.78(1)	CuO ₄ N Not given	μ pxO 1.974(6,59) pxHN 2.011(6)	Not given	O,O 89.8(2,2,1) ^d 103.1(2) 178.6(2) O,N 90.1(2,2,7) 103.3(2) 153.5(2)	77
	—	14.839(2) 10.977(5) 13.028(2)	99.78(1)	CuO ₄ N	μ pxO 1.974(6,59) pxHN 2.011(6)	Not given	O,O 89.8(2,2,1) ^d 103.1(2) 178.6(2) O,N 90.1(2,2,7) 103.3(2) 153.5(2)	

Cu(μ -gly)(NO ₃)(H ₂ O) (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	9.278(1) 5.183(1) 13.982(1)	103.26(1)	Cu ₂ N Not given	μ glyO 1.943(5) 2.373(5) μ glyN 1.982(6) O ₂ NO 1.995(5) H ₂ O 1.965(5)	Not given	Not given	78
[Cu ₄ (μ -ac) ₄ (μ -bdmap) ₂ - (ac) ₂ ·(H ₂ O) ₂]-4H ₂ O (blue)	tr P-1 1	10.554(5) 11.611(3) 9.406(3)	102.87(2) 99.87(3) 101.88(3)	Cu ₂ N Not given	μ acO 1.964(4) ac μ O 1.950(4) 2.460(5) bdmap μ O 1.912(4) μ bdmapN 2.064(5) acO 1.959(4) μ acO 1.973(5) bdmap μ O 1.930(6) μ bdmapN 2.065(6) H ₂ O 2.336(5)	3.496(2) 5.435(3)	O,O 170.0(2,5,5) N,O 171.1(2)	79
Cu(μ -cmva 1) (not given)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.84(1) 7.26(1) 6.63(1)	107.12(4)	Cu ₂ N Not given	O 1.93(2,7) 2.26(2) N 2.00(2)	Not given	Not given	80
Cu(μ -styr) (dark green)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	12.310(8) 5.830(5) 20.357(11)		Cu ₂ N Not given	O 1.930(9,56) μ O 1.915(8) 2.490(8) N 1.938(8)	4.358(2) 163.1(4)	O,O 92.0(3,4,2) 177.9(3) O,N 83.2(3) ^c 94.8(4) ^d 115.9(3) 169.0(3)	81
Cu(μ -schb) (green)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	19.903(5) 13.835(3) 6.968(1)		Cu ₂ N Not given	O 1.956(6) N 1.916(7)	Not given	O,N 83.5(2) ^c 96.7(3) ^d O,O 92.3(3,5)	82
Cu(μ -CNacac) ₂ (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	10.005(1) 12.149(1) 11.246(1)	96.748(4)	Cu ₂ N 0.114(1)	O 1.920(2,8) N 2.468(3)	Not given	O,O 87.3(1,1) 92.3(1,1) ^d 173.2(1,1,5) O,N 93.4(1,4,6)	83

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		a [Å]	b [Å]	c [Å]	α [°]	β [°]	γ [°]	Cu-L [Å]	μ L-Cu- μ L [°]	Cu-Cu [Å]	Cu-L-Cu [°]		
[Cu ₂ (μ_3 -Br) ₂ (μ -cpo) ₂] \cdot xH ₂ O (blue)	trg	21.273(10)			Cu ₂ Br	μ cpo 1.91(2)	μ cpo 1.91(2)	3.332(5)	O,O 85.5(12,1.0) ^c			84	
	P321	8.0168(11)			Not given	cpo μ O 193(4,6)	μ_3 Br 3.058(3)	119.2(10)	94.2(10,4.5)				
[Cu(μ - α -alaha)- (α -alaha)] \cdot 2H ₂ O (not given)	m	5.073(2)			CuO ₆	μ cpo 1.93(2)	μ cpo 1.93(2)	Not given	O,O 79.6(6,3.1) ^c				
	P2 ₁ -2 ₁ -2 ₁	11.463(3)			Not given	H ₂ O 1.99(2)	2.31(1)	Not given	94.2(7,4.2)				
	4	20.198(5)			CuN ₄ O	alahaN 1.959(3,35)	alahaN 1.974(3,34)	Not given	168.8(6,2)				
					Not given	alahaO 2.878(3)		Not given	94.2(7,4.2)				
Cu ₂ (μ -apox)(μ -NCO) ₂ (blue)	m	13.237(3)			CuN ₄ O	μ apoxN 1.975(4,19)	μ apoxN 1.975(4,19)	3.212(1)	N,N 81.5(1.1) ^c			85	
	P2 ₁ /n	7.715(3)			Not given	μ apoxO 1.989(3)	μ apoxO 1.989(3)	6.153(1)	98.3(1,6)				
	2	7.161(3)				NCO μ N 1.945(4)	2.620(4)	88.1(3)	176.6(1,1.1)				
Cu ₂ (μ -1,3-N ₃) ₂ - (μ -mapox) (dark green)	m	11.439(3)			CuN ₄ O	μ mapoxN 1.988(9,36)	μ mapoxN 1.988(9,36)	Not given	O,N 91.7(1,4.1)				
	P2 ₁ /n	10.522(1)			0.006	μ mapoxO 1.980(5)	μ mapoxO 1.980(5)	95.3(3)	N,O 84.0(1) ^c			86	
	2	7.376(1)				μ N ₃ N 1.976(8)	2.542(9)	84.7(3)	90.1(2)				
[Cu ₃ (μ -1,1-N ₃) ₅ - (μ_3 -1,1,1-N ₃) ₅ - (2-bzpy) ₂] (black)	or	14.803(3)			CuN ₄ O	μ N ₃ N 1.992(9,3)	μ N ₃ N 1.992(9,3)	Not given	N,O 95.2(2) ^d				
	Pbca	11.282(2)			Not given	μ_3 N 2.017(9)	μ_3 N 2.017(9)	93.8(3,3.2)	N,O 84.0(1) ^c				
	8	39.31(1)				bzpyN 2.037(9)	bzpyO 2.296(9)	84.7(3)	172.6(3)				
								91.1(3,2.0)				87	
								169.4(2)					
								Not given	N,N 95.7(3) ^d				
								103.1(4,15.0)	93.8(3,3.2)				
								160.8(4,5.8)	172.6(3)				
								98.7(4,8.4)	N,O 83.6(2) ^c				
									91.1(3,2.0)				
									174.1(4)				
									N,N 91.5(4,5.0)				
									160.8(4,5.8)				
									N,O 76.3(4) ^c				
									98.7(4,8.4)				

[Cu(NH ₃) ₄ (H ₂ O)- (18-crown-6)] _n (PF ₆) _{2n} (not given)	or	19.275(2)	Cu ₆	μ ₃ N ₃ N 2.001(9,26)	N,N 75.0(4,7.2)	89
	Cmcm	10.018(1)	Not given	2.370(9)	96.0(4,8.9)	
	4	14.672(1)	Cu ₃ O	μ ₃ N ₃ N 2.627(7)	167.5(4,6.9)	
			Not given	μ ₃ N ₃ N 2.008(9,9)	N,N 72.6(4)	
[Cu(terpy)(μ-CN)- (NO ₃)-H ₂ O] (blue green)	m	12.230(11)		2.386(9)	92.8(4,6.3)	90
	P2 ₁ /c	7.742(6)	0.26	μ ₃ N 2.010(9)	170.1(4,2)	
	4	17.160(15)		bzpyN 2.020(9)	N ₁ O 75.8(4) ^c	
[Cu ₂ (μ-sbc)(μ-Cl)]- (ClO ₄) ₃ · EtOH (blue)	m	15.730(9)	Cu ₄ O	H ₂ N 2.04(1,1)	162.4(4)	91
	I2/a	14.368(6)	Not given	H ₂ O 2.29(1)	Not given	
Cu(μ-im)(imH) ₂ Cl (light blue)	—	16.434(4)				92
	or	7.243(1)	0.15	terpyN 2.016(12,76)	N,N 78.9(5) ^c	
(NEt ₃) ₈ [Cu ₁₄ Cl ₂₈ O ₄] (red orange)	P2 ₁ /mn	13.726(1)	0.25	μNC 1.920(16)	97.6(4,4.6)	93
	2	6.096(1)	Cu ₄ Cl	N 2.207(14)	156.7(5)	
	tr	13.184(4)		sbCN 2.01(—)	N,C 99.0(5,1.2)	
P-1		17.993(6)	Cu ¹ Cl ₄ O	μCl 2.627(2)	159.9(5)	91
	1			μimN 2.058(4)	Not given	
P-1		77.09(3)		imHN 1.975(5,12)	Cl,N 99.6(3,3.1)	92
	1			Cl 2.559(2)	N,N 162.0(3,3.8)	
P-1		87.56(3)		μO 1.920(11)	O,Cl 87.5(4,5.3)	93
	1			μ ₃ Cl 2.314(7,19)	178.9(4)	
P-1		72.08(2)		2.553(4)	Cl,Cl 92.6(2,6.3)	93
	1			μCl 2.307(6)	138.7(2)	
P-1				μO 1.908(11)	110.7(2,2.1)	93
	1			μ ₃ Cl 2.355(5)	O,Cl 82.3(4,10.5)	
P-1				3.100(7)	165.6(4)	93
	1			Cl 2.312(7)	Cl,Cl 96.5(3,2.1)	
P-1				Cl 2.175(7)	139.6(2)	93
	1				119.0(3)	

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Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (ap) (not given)	or Pbca 8	7.197(1) 24.900(1) 10.269(1)		CuCl ₄ O Not given	μ O 1.920(13)	O, Cl 83.2(3.5)	O, Cl 83.2(3.5)	61
					μ S Cl 2.560(5)	Cl, Cl 96.8(2.2)	Cl, Cl 96.8(2.2)	
					μ Cl 2.395(6)	107.1(2)	107.1(2)	
					2.391(5)	124.4(2.1.8)	124.4(2.1.8)	
					μ O 1.920(9)	O, O 176.8(4)	O, O 176.8(4)	
					μ S O 1.933(8)	O, Cl 90.0(4.5)	O, Cl 90.0(4.5)	
					μ S Cl 2.353(7.8)	Cl, Cl 119.9(2.7.8)	Cl, Cl 119.9(2.7.8)	
					2.465(6)			
					μ S O 1.907(9)	O, Cl 84.3(4.5.1)	O, Cl 84.3(4.5.1)	
					μ S Cl 2.804(4)	151.3(2)	151.3(2)	
					μ Cl 2.336(9.11)	178.2(4)	178.2(4)	
					Cl 2.196(9)	Cl, Cl 99.3(3.6.8)	Cl, Cl 99.3(3.6.8)	
μ S O 1.903(11)	O, Cl 83.3(4.1.1)	O, Cl 83.3(4.1.1)						
μ Cl 2.313(6.6)	176.3(2)	176.3(2)						
2.828(5)	Cl, Cl 97.9(3.4.8)	Cl, Cl 97.9(3.4.8)						
Cl 2.196(7)	112.0(2)	112.0(2)						
μ S O 1.890(11)	141.4(3)	141.4(3)						
μ Cl 2.358(6.11)	O, Cl 82.5(3.1.2)	O, Cl 82.5(3.1.2)						
2.712(5)	179.5(3)	179.5(3)						
Cl 2.189(9)	Cl, Cl 98.8(3.4.7)	Cl, Cl 98.8(3.4.7)						
	112.5(2)	112.5(2)						
	138.8(2)	138.8(2)						
	Cl 2.252(1.4)	Cl 2.252(1.4)						
	μ Cl 2.296(1)	μ Cl 2.296(1)						
	2.657(1)	2.657(1)						
	apN 2.047(2)	apN 2.047(2)						

$\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_4(4\text{-ambp})_2$ (EtOH) (red orange)	m	29.903(4)	CuCl_4N	μCl 2.294(4)	3.419(13,16)	Cl_1Cl 91.6(2,6)	94
	$\text{P}2_1/a$ 4	6.202(2) 8.195(2)	Not given	2.451(6,1) 2.593(5)	88.5(2,6)	170.4(4) Cl_1N 88.8(3,4)	
$\{\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\}_x(\mu\text{-oth})_2$ (red)	tr	9.375(5)	CuCl_4ON	ambpN 2.030(10)	Not given	Cl_1O 85.5(5,5,7)	95
	P-1 1	7.370(5) 7.821(4)	Not given	μCl 2.294(4) 2.451(6,1) 2.593(5) EtHO 2.059(17) ambpN 2.030(10)	Not given	O_1N 92.2(5)	
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu_3\text{-OH})(\mu\text{-OH})$ (MeNH_2) ₄ · (H_2O)]SO ₄ (dark blue)	tr	9.281	CuCl_4O_2	μCl 2.261(2)	Not given	Cl_1Cl 85.3(1,5)	96
	P-1 2	11.311 7.425	Not given	2.347(2) μothO 2.664(6)	Not given	93.3(1,1,9) 111.1(1) 176.9(1) Cl_1S 91.5(1,5,8) 112.1(1) 136.5(1)	
$[\{\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-OH})(2,2'\text{-bpy})\}_2$ ($\mu\text{-C}_4\text{O}_4\text{H}_2$) · 4H ₂ O (blue)	tr	9.281	$\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_3\text{N}_2$	μHO 1.941(15)	2.782(5)	O_1O 92.4(—,1,7)	97
	P-1 1	11.311 8.409(2)	Not given	$\mu_3\text{HO}$ 2.000(—) 2.403(15) MeH ₃ N 2.014(19,7)	3.107(—) 78.9(8,3) 89.3(7) 127.9(—)	O_1N 90.7(—,2,9) 104.5(—) N_1N 97.8(—)	
$[\{\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-OH})(2,2'\text{-bpy})\}_2$ ($\mu\text{-C}_4\text{O}_4\text{H}_2$) · 4H ₂ O (blue)	tr	9.022(2)	$\text{Cu}_3\text{O}_3\text{N}_2$	μHO 1.961(15,23)	2.870(1)	O_1O 98.06(9,2,33)	97
	P-1 1	9.040(2) 8.409(2)	Not given	H ₂ O 2.365(15) MeH ₃ N 2.018(19,7)	7.882(2) 96.4(2)	83.74(9) O_1N 93.89(10,6,47) 151.54(9) 171.98(10) N_1N 80.62(10)	

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$\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-OH})_2(\mu\text{-CO}_3)_2$ (2,2'-bpy) ₃ (green)	m	13.430(5)		CuO_2N_2	μ HO 1.95(-3)	2.879(-)	N,N 80.3(-,1) ^c	98
	P2 ₁ /b	17.100(5)		Not given	μ O ₂ CO 2.24(-1)	95.40(-,1.20)	O,N 95.4(-,2.4)	
	4	22.270(8)	128.30(2)	CuO_4N_2	bpyN 2.02(-,1)			
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-mso})_2(\mu\text{-ClO}_4)]$ ClO_4 (dark green)	m	7.463(1)		CuO_3N_2	μ OCO ₂ 1.95(-)		N,N 80.1(-) ^e	99
	P2 ₁ /n	12.535(2)		Not given	2.60(-)		O,N 93.2(-,1)	
	4	29.408(5)	106.11(1)	CuO_3N_2	CO ₃ μ O 2.24(-)			
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-OH})(\mu\text{-msb})$ $(\mu\text{-ClO}_4) \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})]$ $0.5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (green)	or	42.153(8)		0.003	2.46(-)		117.6(-,6)	100
	Ccc2	18.258(3)		CuO_2N_2	bpyN 2.01(-,2)			
	8	7.534(1)		0.05	mseo μ O 1.947(5.19)			
$[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-hfc})(\mu\text{-4,4'-bpy})_2]$ dmf · H ₂ O (dark green)	m	10.404(4)		CuO_3N_2	mseoN 1.934(7.7)	2.946(1)	O,N 90.6(2) ^d	101
	P2 ₁ /n	16.454(5)	103.99(3)	Not given	μ ClO ₄ O 2.518(5)	98.5(3.3)	107.8(3)	
	2	13.539(5)		0.329	mseo μ O 1.942(5.10)	78.1(2.2)	N,N 82.6(3) ^e	

Cu(μ -dimap)(μ -NCO) (blue green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	9.426(2) 7.356(2) 13.696(3)	117.35(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	dmmap μ O 1.930(1,23) dmmap μ N 2.066(2) μ NCO 2.581(3) μ OCN 1.919(2)	3.024(1) O, 76.8(1)	102	O,N 96.8(1,2,8) ^d 168.2(1,4) N,N 93.6(1) O,O 95.5(1,5,0) O,N 94.4(3,3,7) ^d 168.5(4,1) O,O 96.2(3,9) N,N 91.8(4)
Cu(μ -3-ap)(μ -3-apH) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	8.944(2) 13.689(5) 10.309(2)	113.31(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	μ apHO 2.461(9) μ apHN 2.001(8) ap μ O 1.932(6,4) ap μ N 1.975(11)	3.034(1) 103.5(3) 76.5(3)	103	N,N 96.2(1) ^d N,O 87.0(1,2,8) 111.2(1) 171.4(3,4,6) O,O 92.8(1,3,4)
Cu ₂ (μ -ac) ₂ (μ -amoxa) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	6.633(5) 21.146(7) 7.698(4)	100.1(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.13	ac μ O 1.97(2) 2.31(7) μ amoxaO 1.998(8) μ amoxaN 1.98(2,4)	3.261(1) 5.24(5) 99.0(1) 80.9(1)	104	O,O 87.7(3,6,0) O,N 91.5(3,7,6) 93.4(3) ^d 175.6(4,3) N,N 86.7(3) ^c
[Cu ₂ (μ -ac) ₂ (μ -bhben)] \cdot 2MeOH (green blue)	tr P-1 1/2	8.080(3) 8.166(3) 16.688(4)	91.33(2) 113.86(2) 107.29(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.015	μ acO 1.952(6) 2.495(6) μ bhbenN 1.985(9,41) μ bhbenO 1.882(7)	3.383(2) 7.352(2)	105	O,O 66.38(8) ^e 92.57(8,58) N,N 97.80(12)
Cu(μ -CO ₃)(NH ₃) ₂ (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	5.640(2) 10.579(3) 7.462(3)	97.49(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	μ CO ₃ O 1.988(2,2) 2.303(2) H ₃ N 1.978(2,7)	3.500(1)	106	O,O 87.6(1) 113.8(2) 158.3(3) O,N 89.9(2,4,3) N,N 178.9(3)
[Cu(μ -ta)(3-Mepy)] \cdot (3-Mepy) _{0.5} \cdot 0.5MeOH (light blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	9.703(4) 13.184(8) 19.825(4)	115.12(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	μ taO 1.970(4,21) 2.386(6) MepyN 2.018(6,6)	4.414(2)	107	O,O 91.4(1,5,8) O,N 91.6(1,5,2) 110.3(1) 168.3(1,6,5) N,N 80.4(1) ^c
[Cu ₂ (μ -ac)(2,2'-bpy)] \cdot 2H ₂ O (at 130 K) (blue)	tr P-1 1	8.842(2) 12.266(2) 7.708(1)	98.71(1) 106.35(1) 109.68(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.186	acO 1.974(2) μ acO 1.936(2) 2.294(2) bpyN 2.02(2,2)	4.554(1)	27	

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[Cu ₂ (μ -tetra)(H ₂ O)]· 5H ₂ O (not given)	tr	9.254(4)	92.01(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂	O 1.940(6,3)	4.776	Not given	26
	P-1	10.220(3)	100.01(2)	0.17	2.243(7)	5.532		
	2	15.937(2)	113.71(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.22	N 2.022(7,1) O 1.938(7,11) N 2.033(7,6) H ₂ O 2.236(6)			
[Cu ₂ (μ -nbeta)(H ₂ O)]· 7H ₂ O (deep blue)	m	10.501(3)	92.06(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂	μ tetaO 1.970(7,23)	4.828(—)	N,N 98.0(4) ^d	108
	Pc	9.216(3)		Not given	μ tetaN 2.023(9,1)		N,O 85.1(3,1) ^e	
	2	17.640(4)			H ₂ O 2.274(8)		95.6(3,2) 168.6(3,1,1) O,O 95.0(3,1,0) N,N 96.3(3) ^d N,O 85.6(3,5) ^e 93.8(3,5) 171.7(3,4,3) O,O 93.3(3,4,7)	
Cu(μ -SO ₄)(μ -byxa)- (H ₂ O) (blue)	m	4.955(1)	92.15(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂	μ tetaO 1.928(7,6)	4.955(1)	N,N 162.4(1)	109
	P2 ₁	12.948(3)		0.18	2.244(3)		N,O 90.4(1,4,9)	
	2	7.241(1)		Not given	μ byxaN 2.018(3,22) H ₂ O 1.978(3)		103.3(1) O,O 92.0(1,1,6) 175.5(1)	
Cu(μ -dtdp)(py) ₂ (H ₂ O) (blue)	or	22.268(15)		CuO ₃ N ₂	μ dtdpO 1.95(1,0)	5.700(4)	O,O 96.9(6)	110
	Pna2 ₁	14.855(12)		0.21	H ₂ O 2.23(1)		156.4(7,3,5)	
	4	5.670(4)			pyN 2.04(1,2)		O,N 90.4(6,1,5) N,N 174.6(6)	
[Cu(μ -cab)(py)]·3H ₂ O (green)	m	15.070(8)	96.86(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂	μ cabo 1.904(6,38)	6.322(3)	O,O 101.1(2,3,1)	111
	P2 ₁ /n	7.230(4)		0.177(3)	2.462(7)		157.8(2)	
	4	19.165(10)			μ cabN 2.000(7) pyN 2.092(8)		O,N 89.7(2,1,2) ^d N,N 177.4(3)	

Cu(μ -tace)(Me ₆ en) ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂ · (H ₂ O) (purple)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	15.598(2) 8.748(1) 26.508(3)	106.22(1)	Cu ₃ N ₂ 0.0608(5)	μ taceO 1.888(2.1) H ₂ O 2.855(4) Me ₆ enN 2.030(3.3)	7.257(1) 8.002(1) 8.748(1)	112	O,O 92.5(1) ^d 95.9(1) O,N 92.7(1,3.0) 172.0(1,3.7) N,N 87.0(1) ^e O,O 78.6(1,2.1) 92.6(1) ^d 88.5(1,3.5) 161.2(1) O,N 94.8(1,3.5) 169.5(1,8.3) N,N 86.0(1) ^e
[Cu(μ -NO ₃ (trien))]NO ₃ (blue)	or Pnmb 4	9.050(4) 9.066(4) 12.944(4)		Cu ₃ N ₂ Not given	μ NO ₃ O 2.123(4) 2.287(3) 2.579(4) trienN 1.996(5.3)	Not given	113	N,O 94.0(1,1.1) 123.8(1) 149.8(2) O,O 50.7(1,3.1) ^e 86.3(3) N,N 85.1(1) ^e 168.8(1)
[Cu(μ -HCOO)(HCOO)- (py) ₂] · H ₂ O (blue)	or Pnma 4	9.731(1) 14.351(1) 10.302(1)		Cu ₃ N ₂ 0.066	HCOO 1.951(3) μ HCOO 1.967(3) 2.313(3) pyN 2.025(3.0)	Not given	114	N,N 170.87(11) O,O 89.16(12,4.38) 178.7(13) N,O 92.83(8,1.42) O,O 91.2(1,9) 109.5(1) O,N 92.8(1,3.4) 115.4(1) 134.3(1) 175.9(1) N,N 79.7(1) ^e
[Cu(μ -C ₄ O ₄ (mpym)- (H ₂ O)] · 2H ₂ O (brown)	or Pbcn 8	18.592(3) 14.723(2) 13.755(3)		Cu ₃ N ₂ Not given	μ C ₄ O ₄ 2.054(3.55) H ₂ O 1.935(3) mpymN 2.026(4.7)	Not given	115	O,O 82.7(1) ^e 86.7(2,1.7) O,N 92.0(2,3.9) 114.1(2) 163.8(2,7.1) N,N 95.3(2)
Cu(μ -ox)(2-Meim) ₂ (blue)	or Pbc2 ₁ 4	8.235(2) 19.565(5) 7.994(2)		Cu ₃ N ₂ 0.0596(1)	oxO 1.973(4,12) μ O 2.276(4) MeimN 1.984(4,1)	5.395(1)	116	

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Cu(μ -dap)(ox) (light blue)	tr	9.693(2)	91.33(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂	oxO 1.971(5,11)	Not given	O,O 83.5(2) ^c	117
	P-1	11.039(2)	78.32(3)	Not given	dapO 2.394(4)		95.7(2,2.4)	
	2	7.441(2)	112.83(2)		N 1.986(5,11)		O,N 93.7(2,9.0) 168.2(2,5.1) N,N 90.9(2) ^d	
Cu(μ -pht)(py) ₂ (green blue)	m	18.199(6)	119.98(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂	μ phtO 1.945(5,23)	Not given	O,O 60.6(2) ^e	118
	P2 ₁ /c	11.991(14)		0.343	2.316(4)		103.4(2)	
	8	17.923(8)			pyN 2.070(6,55)		163.192)	
[Cu(μ -pht)(phen)- (H ₂ O)]·0.5H ₂ O (blue)	or	11.670(3)		CuO ₃ N ₂	μ phtO 1.938(5,17)	Not given	O,N 95.2(2,4.7)	119
	Pbcm	11.175(3)		0.265	2.285(4)		139.7(2)	
	4	14.073(3)			pyN 2.106(5,78)		N,N 114.3(2) O,O 61.4(2) ^e 104.1(2) 161.9(2)	
Cu(μ -pys)(val) (green)	trg	25.53		CuO ₃ N ₂	μ pysO 1.930(4,0)	Not given	O,N 94.9(2,4.0)	120
	R-3	13.32		0.14	H ₂ O 2.411(6)		150.1(2)	
	18				phenN 2.0145(5,0)		N,N 106.2(2)	
[Cu(μ -L-asp)(im)]· 2H ₂ O (blue)	or	16.049(2)		CuO ₃ N ₂	μ aspO 1.97(2,3)	Not given	O,O 86.7(2) ^e	121
	P2 ₁ ,2 ₁ ,2 ₁	9.622(1)		0.086	2.37(2)		91.7(2)	
	4	7.465(1)			imN 1.98(2)		O,N 93.0(2,2.7) N,N 82.0(2) ^e	

Cu(μ -D-ala) ₂ (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	11.63(1) 8.77(1) 8.43(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.13	μ alaO 1.947(7.3) 2.390(7) μ alaN 1.979(8.0)	Not given	O,N 80.4(7) 85.6(7) ^c 93.3(7.3.9) N,N 170.5(9)	122
						O,N 84.2(3.6) ^c 171.7(3.6) O,O 92.1(3) N,N 98.6(3)	
[Cu(μ -L-leu-L-tyr)- (H ₂ O)] ₂ ·2H ₂ O·EtOH (deep blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	15.545(1) 16.121(2) 8.6838(5)	CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	O 1.986(3.20) N 1.958(3.47) H ₂ O 2.291(3)	Not given	N,N 83.9(1) ^c N,O 82.4(1) ^c 103.2(1.5.2) 164.8(1.1.1) O,O 83.7(1) 91.4(1.1.5)	123
						O 1.95(2.0) 2.13(2) N 2.03(2.3)	
Cu(μ -tandp) (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	12.370(4) 6.358(3) 26.029(4)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.364(4)	O 1.95(2.0) 2.13(2) N 2.03(2.3)	Not given	O,O 96.4(7.7) O,N 85.3(7.5) ^c 101.8(7.5.2) N,N 87.7(7) ^d	124
						O 1.912(5.1) 2.336(6) N 1.950(6.3)	
Cu(μ -pl-o-phen) (black)	tr P-1 2	12.028(31) 20.378(6) 11.378(3)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.132	O 1.933(5.1) 2.480(6) 2.641(6) N 1.956(6.5)	Not given	O,O 77.4(2) 89.6(2.5.6) 161.1(2) O,N 83.6(2) 94.0(2.2.2) 102.2(2) 175.8(2.1.0)	125
						O 1.99(—4) 2.34(—) N 1.97(—7)	
Cu(μ -L-met-cys)- (MeO) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ 4	10.535(2) 8.836(2) 14.188(2)	CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	O 1.99(—4) 2.34(—) N 1.97(—7)	Not given	N,N 84.4(2) N,N 83(—) ^c N,O 86(—,4) ^c 103(—,3) O,O 93(—)	126

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Cu(μ -gly-L-met) (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	10.354(6) 11.471(7) 8.872(5)		CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.235	O 2.005(3,15) 2.237(3) N 1.992(4,72)	Not given	O,O 90.2(1,1.7) 106.6(1) O,N 83.8(2,1.8) ^c 104.0(1,1.3) 162.8(2,6) N,N 83.89(2) ^c	127
[Cu(μ -gly-L-ala)]· 2H ₂ O (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	9.18(1) 9.75(1) 8.94(1)		CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.136	O 1.991(6,32) 2.352(6) N 1.954(8,53)	Not given	O,N 82.3(8) ^c O,O 92.8(8) N,N 84.1(8) ^c	128
[Cu(μ -L-val-L-tyr)]· 4H ₂ O (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	8.33(1) 14.28(2) 16.23(2)		CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.068	O 1.976(2,7) 2.795(2) N 1.950(2,22)	Not given	N,O 80.3(1.8) ^c 121.2(1.8) 158.2(1.8) 171.1(1.8) O,O 121.5(1.8)	129
[Cu(μ -enbs)]·CHCl ₃ (red)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	13.42(2) 7.54(3) 17.88(2)	96.0(3)	CuO ₃ N ₂ 0.049	μ enbsN 1.94(1,9) μ enbsO 1.90(9) enbs μ O 1.929(9) 2.79(9)	Not given	O,N 92.5(4,1.1) ^d O,O 90.2(4) N,N 84.7(4) ^c	130
[Cu(μ -gl)]Et ₂ O· 4H ₂ O (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	9.316(2) 25.76(2) 21.05(1)		CuO ₃ N ₂ Not given	O 1.95(2) 2.57(2) N 1.96(2,4) O 1.97(2,3) 2.32(2)	Not given	O,N 85(1,6) 109(1,6) O,O 87(1,3) O,N 85(1,4) 100(1,2) O,O 92(1,3)	131
Cu(μ -abpo) ₂ (abpo)Cl ₂ (not given)	tr P-1 1	11.185(5) 10.410(5) 7.862(8)	97.8(1) 81.6(1) 103.7(1)	Cu ₂ O ₂ Cl ₂ 0.29	μ abpoO 2.010(10,21) abpoO 2.27(1) Cl 2.199(6,5)	3.274(4)	O,O 70.9(—) 95.7(—,1.2) O,Cl 95.0(—,5.7) Cl,Cl 102.4(—)	132

Cu(μ -L-prl)(H ₂ O)Cl (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.509(2) 5.206(2) 8.189(2)	109.40(2)	Cu ₂ O ₃ NCl 0.18	μ priO 1.948(3) 2.286(5) μ priN 1.994(5) H ₂ O 1.987(5) Cl 2.261(2)	Not given	O,O 89.7(2,2,3) O,N 84.9(1) ^c 92.4(1) Cl,O 93.3(1,1,5) 165.23(7) Cl,N 94.9(1)	133
Cu(μ -degly)Cl (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	9.978(2) 12.624(3) 7.129(1)		Cu ₂ O ₃ NCl Not given	μ deglyO 1.961(3) degly μ O 1.947(4) 2.801(4) N 2.044(3) Cl 2.199(1)	4.72(—) O 167.0(2)	O,O 51.5(1) ^a 92.0(1,5,2) O,N 84.3(1) ^c 120.6(1) 167.1(1) Cl,O 95.5(1,1,5) 162.4(1) Cl,N 97.3(1)	134
[Cu ₂ (μ -bhedto)- (H ₂ O) ₂](μ -SO ₃) (dark green)	m C2/c 4	21.47(5) 7.49(1) 9.75(2)	111.93(10)	Cu ₂ O ₃ NS 0.09	O 2.002(4) N 1.935(5) S 2.265(5) H ₂ O 1.967(5) μ SO ₃ O 2.442(2)	5.18(1) 6.75(1)	O,O 90.6(2,4,8) O,N 81.5(2) ^c 97.7(2) O,S 97.0(2,1,0) S,N 87.7(2) ^c	135
Cu(μ -tacac) (green)	m P2 ₁ /n 8	14.04(3) 14.46(3) 9.47(3)	105.5(5)	Cu ₂ O ₃ NS Not given	O 2.04(—,9) N 2.08(—) S 2.28(—)	Not given	O,O 169(—) S,O 150(—)	136
[Cu(μ -L-lys-L-tyr)- (H ₂ O)]·H ₂ O (deep blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	8.787(5) 9.753(5) 10.525(5)	101.69(5)	Cu ₂ N ₂ O ₂ 0.070(1)	N 1.895(7) 2.023(8,22) O 1.981(6) H ₂ O 2.348(8)	Not given	O,O 89.3(3) O,N 83.6(3) ^c 91.9(3,3,8) 168.0(3) N,N 84.6(3) ^c 101.6(3) 168.2(3)	137
Cu(μ -4-dtma)(NCS) (not given)	m C2/m 4	20.036(3) 8.271(3) 6.655(2)	96.85(2)	Cu ₂ N ₂ O ₂ Not given	SCN 1.962(7) μ dtmaN 2.047(5,20) μ dtmaO 2.191(4) 2.749(5)	Not given	N,N 90.2(2,6,2) 154.0(2) 178.8(2) O,N 81.4(2) ^c 92.2(2,5,2) O,O 168.3(2)	138

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Cu(μ -glu)(2,2'-bpy) (deep blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 8	7.674(1)		CuN ₃ O ₂ 0.289	bpyN 2.019(11,8)	Not given	N,N 81.2(4) ^c	21b
		17.738(4)			μ gluO 1.960(8)		100.4(4)	
		21.761(5)			μ gluN 1.987(10)		173.5(4)	
							N,O 83.4(4) ^c	
							96.1(4,10.6)	
							151.7(4)	
							O,O 100.6(4)	
							N,N 80.8(5) ^c	
							98.4(5)	
							158.8(5)	
							N,O 85.5(4) ^c	
							96.3(5,5.3)	
							172.0(5)	
							O,O 95.3(5)	
[Cu(μ -L-trypt)(phen)]- ClO ₄ · 2.5H ₂ O (not given)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	28.430(4)		CuN ₃ O ₂ 0.238	bpyN 2.014(12,6)	Not given	N,N 83.0(6) ^c	139
		11.085(2)			μ tryptN 2.02(1)		99.8(6)	
		8.162(3)			μ tryptO 1.93(1)		160.4(5)	
					2.29(1)		O,O 89.7(5)	
							N,O 84.0(5) ^c	
							90.4(6,3.2)	
							112.3(5)	
							176.2(6)	
[Cu(μ -ida)(terpy)]- Me ₂ CO · H ₂ O (blue green)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	23.41(1)		CuN ₃ O ₂ 0.04	terpyN 1.997(6,54)	Not given	O,O 103.3(2)	140
		10.538(7)			μ idaO 1.966(5)		O,N 95.9(2,4.0)	
		8.372(6)			2.175(6)		102.3(2)	
							154.4(2)	
							N,N 80.0(2,4) ^c	
							159.9(2)	

Cu(μ -tda)(terpy) (bright green)	m C2/c 4	10.551(6) 21.23(1) 8.633(5)	112.0(2)	CuN ₃ O ₂ Not given	terpyN 1.998(4,36) μ tdaO 2.095(3,0)	Not given	O,N 97.9(1,1.9) 134.0(1) O,O 91.9(1) N,N 79.2(1) ^c 158.4(1)	141
[Cu(μ -HCOO)(trien)]- HCOO (blue)	or Pnam 4	8.954(13) 11.640(14) 9.676(13)		CuN ₃ O ₂ Not given	trienN 2.016(7,7) μ HCOO 2.035(5) 2.169(5)	Not given	N,N 85.2(1) ^c 168.8(2) N,O 93.8(1,9) 111.8(3) 152.6(2) O,O 95.6(2)	142
[Cu(μ -ac)(brmima)]ClO ₄ (blue)	tr P-1 1	5.176(5) 8.489(3) 10.066(3)	95.09(5) 95.72(3) 102.37(4)	CuN ₃ O ₂ 0.085	mimaN 1.996(3,51) μ acO 1.928(2) 2.415(2)	5.176(2)	O,O 102.41(8) O,N 92.2(8,10.8) 173.9(1) N,N 81.4(2,1) ^c 162.0(1)	143
Cu(μ -L-tyr-L-his) (violet)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	17.388(5) 6.560(1) 13.060(2)		CuN ₃ O ₂ 0.06	N 1.971(4,51) O 1.938(4) 2.601(4)	6.725(2)	N,N 83.6(2) ^c 93.9(2) ^c 177.0(2) O,N 90.0(1,4,7) O,O 85.3(3) 174.8(1)	144
[Cu ₂ (μ -pht)(trien)] ₂ - [ClO ₄] ₂ ·ClO ₄ (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	12.101(6) 7.805(4) 15.415(7)	109.82(4)	CuN ₃ O ₂ 0.11	trienN 1.999(7,17) μ phtO 1.927(5) O ₃ ClO 2.46(5)	4.180(3) 6.704(4) 109.0(3)	N,N 84.1(4,3) ^c 163.2(5) N,O 92.2(6,1,4) 174.2(4)	145
					trienN 1.993(9,11) μ phtO 2.010(7) 2.318(8) 2.800(8)		O,O 52.0(3) 94.0(3) 145.8(4) N,N 84.5(4,1) ^c 166.5(4) N,O 98.8(3,1,7) 116.8(3) 168.0(4)	

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Cu(pmsh)(μ -NCS) (green)	m	16.46(1)	92.4(1)	CuN ₃ OS 0.18	pmshN 1.925(4)	Not given	N,N 80.5(1) ^c	146
	P2 ₁ /n 4	15.72(1) 5.63(1)			2.038(3) pmshO 1.990(3) μ SCN 1.930(5) μ NCS 2.709(2)		90.6(1,10.1) 170.1(1) N,O 78.9(1) ^c N,S 94.9(1.6) O,S 96.1(1)	
[Cu(paphy)(μ -Cl)]- (PF ₆) \cdot H ₂ O (green)	m	16.245(6)	99.19(3)	CuN ₃ Cl ₂ 0.109(2)	paphyN 1.98(1,4)	3.919(3)	N,N 80.1(1,1.1) ^c	147
	P2 ₁ /c 4	15.731(8) 6.698(2)			μ Cl 2.217(4) 2.805(4)		160.1(4) N,Cl 94.1(3,6,4) 167.6(4)	
Cu(pepci)(μ -Cl) (blue)	m	3.963(2)	94.9(2)	CuN ₃ Cl ₂	Not given	Not given	Not given	148
	Pc 2	8.48(3) 18.21(12)						
[Cu(μ -pmim) ₂] \cdot H ₂ O (blue)	tr	7.75(2)	74.50(5) 80.15(5) 87.77(5)	CuN ₃ Cl ₂ Not given	μ mimN 1.976(6,0)	Not given	N,N 87.9(2,4)	149
	P-1 2	9.81(2) 14.63(1)			2.290(6) Cl 2.350(2,6)		175.5(3) N,Cl 90.8(2,1,4) 104.6(2)	
Cu ₂ (μ -bpepo)(μ -Cl)Cl ₂ (dark green)	m	7.95(1)	92.1(1)	CuN ₃ Cl ₂ Not given	μ bpepoN 2.006(7,50)	Not given	Cl,Cl 135.5(1)	150
	P2 ₁ /c 4	27.00(3) 10.25(1)			Cl 2.363(3) μ Cl 2.384(4)		N,N 78.2(3) ^c 95.0(3) ^a 170.0(3) Cl,N 92.6(2,3,4) 110.2(2) 142.0(2) Cl,Cl 106.4(1)	

Cu(pepci)(μ -Br) (blue)	m Pc 2	3.888(3) 8.641(3) 17.944(1)	92.63(6)	CuN ₃ Br ₂ 0.19	μ pepciN 1.991(7,37) Cl 2.239(4) μ Cl 2.622(4)	Not given 103.0(1)	N,N 79.5(3) ^c 95.0(3) ^d 172.2(3) Cl,N 91.1(2,4,7) 110.5(2) 145.3(2) Cl,Cl 103.0(1)	148
[Cu(pepci)(μ -Br)]PF ₆ (blue)	or Pc ₂ b 16	7.904(3) 24.816(3) 34.289(4)		CuN ₃ Br ₂ Not given	pepciN 1.99(2,4) μ Br 2.417(3,16) 2.861(3,5)	4.846(4) 7.58(2) 134.1(1)	Not given	151
[Cu(C ₂ H ₆ O ₂)(μ -Cl)] 0.5H ₂ O (light green)	or Pcnb 8	10.198(1) 18.769(1) 7.043(1)		CuCl ₃ O ₂ 0.113(1)	O 1.986(3,18) μ Cl 2.251(1,16) 2.712(1)	3.821(1)	Cl,Cl 98.14(3) Cl,O 90.9(1,4) 168.1(1,3,0) O,O 79.9(1) ^e	152
Cu(μ -pyNO) ₂ (μ -Cl)Cl (green)	m P2 ₁ /a —	11.720 11.641 9.012	103.28	CuCl ₃ O ₂ Not given	μ Cl 2.266(2) 2.464(2) 2.794(2) dmfO 1.984(4,31)	Not given	Cl,Cl 89.4(1,6,2) Cl,O 90.5(3,1,9) 149.7(1) 171.2(1) O,O 84.6(2)	153 120.9(3)

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$\text{Cu}_3(\mu\text{-Cl})_2\text{Cl}_2$ (μ -2-MepyNO) $_2 \cdot (\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ (green)	tr	9.732(7) 7.380(5) 9.596(7)	104.26(5) 119.21(5) 68.15(6)	CuCl ₃ O ₂ ($\times 2$) 0.23	μ Cl 2.221(4) 2.654(1) Cl 2.244(4) pyNO 2.00(4,2)	3.255(3) 3.581(2) O 70.7(4) 109.3(5) Cl 92.9(1,2)	Cl,O 93.8(3,3,7) Cl,Cl 84.4(1)	155
	or Pbn2 4	12.969(1) 10.796(1) 6.803(1)		CuCl ₄ O ₂ Not given	μ Cl 2.2649(3) 2.955(3) H ₂ O 1.99(1,0) Cl 2.321(4) μ Cl 2.365(4) 2.751(6) imN 1.983(12,10)	Not given	Cl,Cl 96.4(2,3,6) Cl,O 95.8(3,3,5) 160.9(3,3,7)	156
$\text{Cu}(\text{maep})(\mu\text{-Cl})\text{Cl}$ (blue green)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	19.627(9) 8.288(3) 6.520(2)		CuCl ₃ N ₂ 0.16	Cl 2.267(1) μ Cl 2.300(2) 2.785(2) maepN 2.032(4,13)	4.263(2) Cl 113.58(5)	Cl,Cl 92.6(1,1,7) Cl,N 89.0(1,2,2) 101.2(1) 170.9(2,5,2)	157
	or P2 ₁ /c 2	9.635(4) 7.270(4) 10.009(9)	93.16(6)	CuCl ₃ N ₂ Not given	Cl 2.271(3) μ Cl 2.313(2) 2.670(2) μ -S ₂ N ₂ N 1.959(7) MeCN 1.963(8)	Not given 92.5(2)	Cl,Cl 93.6(1,6,1) 168.8(1) Cl,N 91.8(2,6,7) N,N 167.6(3)	158
$\text{Cu}(\text{oxd})(\mu\text{-Cl})\text{Cl}$ (green)	m Pc 2	7.708(7) 3.751(1) 13.377(2)	105.97(4)	CuCl ₃ N ₂ Not given	Cl 2.271(5) μ Cl 2.265(6) 3.223(20) oxdN 1.950(20,23)	4.342(1)	Cl,Cl 95.6(2,9) Cl,N 92.3(2,3,4) 167.7(6,2,1)	159
	m P2 ₁ 2	3.762(1) 16.757(2) 8.356(1)	94.34(1)	CuCl ₃ ON Not given	Cl 2.286(1) μ Cl 2.287(1) 2.729(1)	Not given	N,N 79.3(3) ^f N,Cl 93.1(1,4,6) N,O 174.0(1) Cl,Cl 95.4(1,1,5)	61

Cu(μ -Cl)Cl(H ₂ O)(caf) (green)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	16.370(9) 13.432(7) 5.814(6)	CuCl ₃ ON 0.15	H ₂ O 1.965(2) mapN 2.032(2) Cl 2.248(2) μ Cl 2.319(2) 2.788(2) H ₂ O 1.96(1) cafN 1.98(1)	4.60(—) 128.1	160	168.8(1) Cl,O 88.4(1,1,0) Cl,O 90.3(4,2,4) Cl,N 90.6(2,3,0) 106.7(2) Cl,Cl 89.7(1,2) 178.8(1) O,N 161.0(4)
							Cl,Cl 86.9(1) 105.5(1,6,1) Cl,S 74.7(1) 90.1(1,7,3) 159.8(1,7,7) S,S 70.7(1) ^c 80.1(1,9,4)
Cu(μ -dto)(μ -Cl)Cl (green)	tr P-1 2	7.832(4) 7.929(5) 9.803(6)	CuCl ₃ S ₂ Not given	Cl 2.230(1) μ Cl 2.264(1) 3.234(1) dtoS 2.311(1,8)	4.046(1) 4.679(1)	161	O,N 161.0(4) Cl,Cl 86.9(1) 105.5(1,6,1) Cl,S 74.7(1) 90.1(1,7,3) 159.8(1,7,7) S,S 70.7(1) ^c 80.1(1,9,4)
							O,N 161.0(4) Cl,Cl 86.9(1) 105.5(1,6,1) Cl,S 74.7(1) 90.1(1,7,3) 159.8(1,7,7) S,S 70.7(1) ^c 80.1(1,9,4)
Cu(μ -pzdc)Cl (green)	or Pna2 ₁ 4	9.552(2) 10.888(2) 7.719(11)	CuO ₂ N ₂ Cl Not given	μ pzdCN 2.01(—,1) μ pzdCO 1.99(—) 2.19(—) Cl 2.23(—)	4.812(—) 6.678(—)	162	O,O 94.6(—) N,N 172.3(—) N,O 80.0(—) ^c 97.6(—,5,0) O,Cl 115.4(—) 150.0(—) N,Cl 93.7(—,1,1) 122.9(—)
							O,O 94.6(—) N,N 172.3(—) N,O 80.0(—) ^c 97.6(—,5,0) O,Cl 115.4(—) 150.0(—) N,Cl 93.7(—,1,1) 122.9(—)
[Cu(L-lys)(D-lys)Cl] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	5.152(1) 17.394(2) 11.325(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂ Cl Not given	lysO 1.937(1) lysN 1.970(1) Cl 3.047(1)	Not given	163	N,O 84.6(1) ^c N,Cl 90.5(1) O,Cl 85.7(1)
							N,O 84.6(1) ^c N,Cl 90.5(1) O,Cl 85.7(1)
[Cu ₂ (μ_3 -OH)(H ₂ O)- (μ -dppzCl ₂)·Cl·2H ₂ O (green yellow)	or Pbca 8	22.519(3) 23.318(3) 7.703(1)	CuO ₂ N ₂ Cl 0.124	μ_3 HO 1.884(11) 2.772(11) μ dppz 1.982(12,5) Cl 2.200(5)	3.387(3) 100.9(6,1,4) 122.5(6)	164	Cl,O 92.6(3,3,5) Cl,N 97.1(4) 175.8(4) O,N 90.5(5,3,6) 161.3(5) O,O 102.2(5)
							Cl,O 92.6(3,3,5) Cl,N 97.1(4) 175.8(4) O,N 90.5(5,3,6) 161.3(5) O,O 102.2(5)

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Cu(μ -dmae)(μ -NCS) (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 8	11.95(4) 8.954(3) 16.805(6)	107.5(1)	CuO ₂ N ₂ Cl 0.133	μ HO 1.977(10)	2.950(—) 5.375(—) 100.9(1,7) 77.5(1,3)	N,N 79.3(6) ^c	165
					μ dppzN 2.013(14,45)		Cl,O 99.3(3,7)	
					H ₂ O 2.370(11) Cl 2.216(6)		Cl,N 97.4(4) 172.1(4) O,N 87.2(5,3,1) 161.6(5) O,O 95.9(4) N,N 78.7(5) ^c	
Cu(μ -dpaec)(μ -NCS) (dark green)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	11.737(2) 7.936(1) 21.174(3)	140.16(1)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S Not given	dmae μ O 1.911(3,1)	2.956(2) 101.0(5) 79.0(5)	O,N 85.1(1) ^c	166
					dmae μ N 2.037(3)		98.2(1)	
					μ SCN 1.913(4) μ NCS 2.884(2)		164.5(1,4,6) O,S 91.5(1,7) N,N 97.6(1) N,S 98.5(1,9)	
Cu(μ -ea)(μ -NCS) (dark green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.564(1) 8.910(1) 9.390(2)	105.60(1)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S Not given	dpae μ O 1.916(10,14)	2.974(4)	O,N 83.5(4) ^c	167
					dpae μ N 2.066(12)		97.9(5)	
					μ SCN 1.925(7) μ NCS 2.84(6)		149.5(3) 175.2(5) N,N 100.8(5) O,S 91.5(4,6,5) S,N 98.5(5,6,7)	
					ea μ O 1.942(5) ea μ N 1.983(6) μ SCN 1.976(6) μ NCS 2.872(5)			

Cu(μ -deae)(μ -NCS) (not given)	m	12.058(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S	deae μ O 1.925(8,12)	2.981(2)	N,O 84.9(4) ^c	168
	P ₂ /n	7.821(3)	Not given	deae μ N 2.089(11)	101.5(3)	S,N 101.6(4,8,0)	
	4	11.316(1)	101.57(14)	μ SCN 1.941(12)	78.5(3)	S,O 89.8(3,4,7)	
Cu(μ -dbap)(μ -NCS) (blue green)	tr	8.131(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S	dbap μ O 1.924(3,25)	3.030(1)	O,N 94.0(1) ^d	102
	P-1	9.102(2)	Not given	dbap μ N 2.074(4)	76.1(2)	164.2(2,6,6)	
	2	12.120(3)	68.840(5)	μ SCN 1.934(4)		N,N 94.9(2)	
Cu(μ -dmap)(μ -NCS) (blue green)	m	7.403(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S	dmap μ O 1.932(2,25)	3.033(1)	S,O 94.2(1,5,1)	102
	P ₂ /c	17.317(4)	Not given	dmap μ N 2.069(3)	76.6(1)	S,N 96.0(1,4,8)	
	4	8.702(2)	124.605(5)	μ SCN 1.936(3)		O,N 95.2(1) ^d	
Cu(μ -deap)(μ -NCS) (blue green)	tr	9.186(2)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S	deap μ O 1.927(2,22)	3.035(1)	167.1(1,3)	102
	P-1	8.840(2)	Not given	deap μ N 2.072(3)	76.1(1)	N,N 92.5(1)	
	2	7.910(2)	88.23(1)	μ SCN 1.939(3)		S,O 92.2(1,1,8)	
[Cu(μ -2,2'-dtdp)- (2,2'-bpy)]·3H ₂ O (blue)	tr	8.598(5)	CuO ₂ N ₂ S	μ dtdpO 1.953(5,28)	Not given	S,N 97.6(1,1,2)	169
	P-1	10.378(6)	0.1	μ dtdpS 2.678(2)		O,O 94.4(2)	
	2	11.205(6)	91.16(5)	bpyN 2.003(6,5)		O,S 80.6(2) ^c	
[Cu ₂ (μ -apae) ₂ (μ -I)]· 2H ₂ O (blue)	tr	8.105(7)	CuO ₂ N ₂ I	apae μ O 1.976(5,7)	2.976	O,N 92.1(2,5)	170
	P-1	11.294(10)	0.28	apae μ N 2.006(7,12)	97.5(2)	170.7(2,1,5)	
	2	11.931(12)	78.83(7)	μ I 2.996(—)	82.6(2)	S,N 103.4(6,1)	
			CuO ₂ N ₂ I	apae μ O 1.971(5,10)	2.969	N,N 93.3(3) ^d	
			0.29	apae μ N 2.012(6,15)	98.1(2)	N,O 85.4(2) ^c	
				μ I 3.026(—)	81.9(2)	N,N 94.0(2) ^d	
						N,O 84.7(2) ^c	

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Cu(μ -MeO)(μ Cl)- (2-Mepy) (green)	m	8.79(3)		CuO ₂ Cl ₂ N	MeO μ O 1.93(1.2)	3.025(3)	O,N 93.5(5)	171
	P2 ₁ /c	6.01(1)	104.4(2)	Not given	μ Cl 2.265(4)	Cl 98.8(2)	158.7(5)	
	2	17.59(3)			2.944(4)	O 103.3(5)	N,Cl 94.3(4,2,2)	
					MepyN 2.01(1)	76.7(5)	O,Cl 98.2(4,7,3)	
							174.3(4)	
							Cl,Cl 87.2(2)	
Cu(μ -MeO)(μ -Cl)(py) (green)	tr	8.280(3)	62.67(2)	CuO ₂ Cl ₂ N	MeO μ O 1.936(6,4)	3.037(2)	Cl,O 99.5(2,6,0)	172
	P-1	6.089(2)	94.67(3)	Not given	μ Cl 2.279(3)	3.736(3)	173.9(1)	
	2	9.302(5)	70.81(2)		2.820(3)	103.2(1)	N,Cl 94.0(2,4)	
					pyN 2.012(5)	0.76.7(2)	N,O 92.0(3)	
						Cl 93.62(8)	157.9(3)	
							Cl,Cl 86.38(8)	
[Cu ₂ (μ -tpmb) ₂ (μ -Cl) ₂ - (H ₂ O) ₄](ClO ₄) ₂ · 2H ₂ O (pale green)	m	11.288(2)		CuN ₂ Cl ₂ O	μ tpmbN 2.017(6,8)	3.437(2)	Cl,Cl 92.69(7)	173
	P2 ₁ /c	13.633(3)	104.635(15)	Not given	μ Cl 2.276(2)	87.31(6)	Cl,N 92.46(18,1,1,6)	
	2	15.173(3)			2.685(2)	Cl,O 95.06(14)	Cl,O 95.06(14)	
					H ₂ O 1.978(5)		171.73(4)	
							N,N 172.87(2,3)	
							N,O 87.25(22,1,83)	
Cu(gly)(1-Meim)(μ -Cl) (blue)	or	24.97(2)		CuN ₂ Cl ₂ O	MeimN 1.946(15)	Not given	Cl,Cl 100.8(2)	174
	Pca2 ₁	4.009(1)		Not given	glyN 1.946(16)		N,Cl 91.5(5,4,6)	
	4	9.116(7)			glyO 1.963(13)	Cl,O 94.4(4)	Cl,O 94.4(4)	
					μ Cl 2.296(5)		163.8(4)	
					2.883(5)		N,N 172.9(7)	
							N,O 84.0(6) ^c	
							89.1(6)	

Cu ₂ (μ-OH)(μ-dppz)- (μ-Br) ₂ Br (green)	m	13.691(5)	CuN ₂ Br ₂ O	Br 2.378(9)	3.398(8)	Br,Br 115.6(2)	175
	P2 ₁ /n	6.245(3)	0.47	μBr 2.666(6)	Br 107.5(2)	Br,O 95.2(11.1.8)	
	2	10.298(4)		μdppzN 2.019(36,14)	O 128.1(17)	Br,N 97.7(10,6.3)	
				μHO 1.916(35)		O,N 83.2(4)	
						161.9(13)	
			CuN ₂ Br ₂ O	Br 2.814(6)		N,N 79.6(14) ^e	
			0.29	μBr 2.515(6)		Br,Br 108.0(2)	
				μdppzN 2.017(33,32)		Br,O 94.4(11.5.6)	
				μHO 1.862(36)		Br,N 94.6(10,7.0)	
						158.4(8)	
						O,N 84.6(12)	
						163.9(13)	
						N,N 81.3(12) ^e	

^aWhere more than one chemically equivalent distance or angle is present the mean value is tabulated. The first number in parenthesis is e.s.d., the second is a maximum deviation from the mean value. ^bThe chemical identity of coordinated atom/ligand is specified in these columns. ^cFive-membered metallocyclic ring. ^dSix-membered metallocyclic ring. ^eFour-membered metallocyclic ring.

a terminal bipyridine molecule and an oxygen atom from a syn–anti bridging acetate complex with square-pyramidal coordination at each copper atom. The Cu(1)–Cu(1') separation is 3.358(1) Å and Cu(1)–Cu(2) is 5.441(1) Å.

The structure of a green derivative³⁰ consists of a three-dimensional array of Cu(II) atoms linked by alkoxo and three types of carboxylate bridges of citrates. The asymmetric unit contains two water molecules, one heptadentate citrate ligand, and two crystallographically unique Cu(II) atoms with O₅-ligand sets. An alkoxo and syn–syn carboxylate group bridge the Cu(II) atoms within this unit. An anti–syn carboxylate group joins these units into zig-zag chains, which in turn are joined by a second type of anti–syn carboxylate bridge to form the three-dimensional network.

Cu(μ -sal)₂(H₂O)₂ crystallizes with a disordered OD structure.³² The two structures, orthorhombic and monoclinic, have been determined from single-crystal X-ray diffractometer data. The complex contains chains, parallel to *b*, in which one of the salicylate ligands acts as a bridge between two Cu(II) atoms. Each Cu(II) atom is square-pyramidally coordinated by O atoms. The Cu–Cu separation is 5.114(3) Å.

The structure of blue Cu{ μ -Ph(Me)PO₂}₂(dmf)³³ consists of infinite chains of centrosymmetric eight-membered rings formed by two metal atoms belonging to four different O₂PPh(Me) groups, forming a roughly square-planar array. One molecule of dimethylformamide with a Cu–O distance of 2.316(8) Å completes a square-pyramidal environment about the Cu(II) atom. The deviation of the copper atom from square-planar is 0.16 Å.

Square-pyramidal environment about Cu(II) atom in Cu(μ_3 -mal)(H₂O)³⁶ is created by a water molecule at the apex (Cu–OH₂ = 2.26(2) Å), a chelating maleate group forming a seven-membered chelate ring, and two oxygen atoms of two other maleate groups with the average Cu–O(equatorial) bond distance of 1.99(2) Å. Each maleate group is bound to three Cu(II) atoms to form a polymeric sheet.

In Cu(μ -MePO₃)(H₂O)⁴² each Cu(II) atom is surrounded by five O atoms in a trigonal-bipyramidal arrangement. The pyramids are connected by a common edge to form Cu₂O₈ clusters in which the Cu–Cu distance is 3.139(5) Å. These clusters are associated with methylphosphonate tetrahedra to form infinite layers of polyhedra parallel to (100).

In the series of derivatives with CuO₅ framework,^{26–42} only the last example⁴² contains Cu(II) in a trigonal-bipyramid in all other compounds a square-pyramidal environment exists. The Cu(II) atoms are displaced from their basal-plane toward the apical O donor in the range from 0.08 Å³⁶ to 0.33 Å.³⁰

The mean Cu–O apical bond distance of 2.30 Å is about 0.34 Å longer than the mean Cu–O equatorial bond distance (1.96 Å), which is typical for Cu(II) complexes.

There are seven derivatives^{43–49} in which five-coordination about Cu(II) is created only by N donor ligands. In black $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(2\text{-MePy})$,⁴³ the Cu(II) atom has a distorted square-pyramidal environment; one-half of the azide groups act as $\mu(1,1)$ bridging ligands to form centrosymmetric dimers. These dimeric units are further connected by the remaining $\mu(1,3)$ bridging azido groups to form layers within the a – b plane. These layers are separated by the basal coordinated 2-methylpyridine ligands. The average Cu–N (equatorial) bond distance of 2.000(2) Å is shorter than that of Cu–N (apical) distance (2.273(2) Å). The Cu–Cu separation is 3.095(1) Å.

In another black complex, $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(3\text{-Mepy})$,⁴⁴ two azido ligands lying on a crystallographic diad bridge a pair of Cu(II) atoms to form a planar Cu_2N_2 ring. The rings are linked alternately by pairs of a third type of azido ligand which asymmetrically bridges copper atoms related by the c glide, giving rise to a composite column structure. The coordination geometry about the copper atom is distorted trigonal-bipyramidal, with the 3-methylpyridine ligand occupying one of the axial positions (Cu–N = 1.999(9) Å).

In another black $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(2\text{-Brpy})$ ⁴⁵ the Cu(II) has a distorted square-pyramidal coordination geometry, where both azido ligands function as $\mu(1,1)$ bridges to form chains along the crystallographic a -axis.

The structure of a dark green derivative⁴⁶ consists of zig-zag chains of dimeric cations, $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{N}_3)_3(\text{Me}_4\text{en})_2]^+$ parallel to the c -direction and non-coordinated PF_6^- anions. Within the dimeric unit, the copper atoms are bridged by a single azido group in a symmetrical end-to-end fashion with a Cu–Cu mean separation of 4.439 Å. The dimeric units are linked to each other by a double dissymmetrical end-to-end azido bridge with a Cu–Cu mean separation of 5.131 Å. Each Cu(II) atom has a slightly distorted square-based pyramid.

The structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-NCO})_2(2,4\text{-Me}_2\text{py})$ ⁴⁷ consists of infinite polymeric chains, mutually bonded by van der Waals bonds. The nitrogen atoms in the cyanate groups fulfill the function of bridges between the Cu(II) atoms, while the oxygen atoms remain free. The approximately square-planar coordination around the Cu(II) atom is formed by three N atoms of NCO^- groups with an N atom of 2,4-dimethylpyridine, and the N atom of NCO group completing a distorted square-pyramidal environment. The Cu–Cu separations of 3.22 and 3.44 Å ruled out a direct metal–metal bond.

The Cu(II) atom in the green derivative⁴⁸ is bonded to two terminal NCO groups (Cu–N = 1.894(3) Å) and to two hexamethylenetetramine molecules

(Cu–N = 2.167(2) Å). There is an additional, rather long bond to one of the hexamethylenetetramine molecules of the neighboring complex unit (Cu–N = 2.712(3) Å), resulting in the formation of chains.

A pale blue crystal is built up of polymeric [Cu(μ -im)(dien)]ClO₄ units.⁴⁹ The geometry around each Cu(II) atom is trigonal-bipyramidal, comprising the tridentate diethylenetriamine ligand and two imidazole molecules. The Cu(II) atoms are bridged by imidazole rings in two alternating orientations, leading to two polymeric units in each unit cell.

Noticeably, while the mean values Cu–N_{eq} vs. Cu–N_{ap} of 2.063 vs. 2.080 Å are almost identical for trigonal-bipyramidal environments; the values 2.027 vs. 2.399 Å for a square-pyramid differ from each other.

There are 17 examples^{50–63} in which five chlorine atoms created a square-pyramidal^{50–53,55–61} or trigonal-bipyramidal environment around Cu(II) atoms. Two derivatives^{62,63} contain a square-pyramidal and tetragonal-bipyramidal coordination about the copper atoms.

Dibridged linear chains are most common in this series. The mean Cu–Cl bond distances elongate in the order: 2.335 Å (Cl) < 2.422 Å (μ -Cl) < 2.503 Å (μ_3 -Cl). The Cu–Cu separations range from 3.084(1)⁵⁰ to 3.669(1) Å.⁵⁹ Deviation of the Cu(II) atom from the basal plane towards an apical chlorine atom range from 0.218 to 0.406 Å.

The structure of (ipa)[CuBr₃]^{63b} consists of linear chains of symmetrically bi-bridged Cu₂Br₆²⁻ anions. Bridging distances are 2.433(2) and 2.458(2) Å with a bridging angle of 95.21(7)°. The asymmetric bridges between dimers have lengths 2.413(2) and 2.823(2) Å. The average Cu–Cu separation of 3.629(3) ruled out a metal–metal bond.

There are 22 derivatives^{64–83} in which a square-pyramidal coordination around each Cu(II) atom is created by four O donor atoms and one N donor atom (CuO₄N). In eight of them^{64–69} a tetradentate ligand and water molecule built up such a coordination. For example, in [Cu(μ -pgly)(H₂O)] · 3H₂O⁶⁴ the square-pyramidal geometry around Cu(II) is created with phenolic oxygen, imine nitrogen, and carboxylate oxygen atoms of the Schiff-base ligand and a water molecule as basal donors. The compound is a one-dimensional polymer due to the axial coordination of one of the phosphole oxygens of a neighboring molecule (Table II). The Cu(II) atom deviates from a basal plane towards an apical ligand from 0.114(1) Å⁸³ to 0.26 Å.⁷² The Cu–Cu separation ranges from 3.172(1) Å⁷⁴ to 5.435(3) Å,⁷⁹ excluding a metal–metal bond.

Blue [Cu₉(μ_3 -Br)₂(μ -cpa)₆]_n · xH₂O⁸⁴ contains copper in two distinct environments, one located near the threefold axis with a square-pyramidal coordination polyhedron of four O atoms and an apical bromine atom, and the

other located on a twofold axis with a tetragonally distorted octahedral coordination polyhedron of six O atoms. The bromine atom bridges three copper atoms which are part of a six-membered alternating Cu–O ring. The cpa^{3-} is a heptadentate ligand to the three copper atoms. Channels of disordered water occupy a major fraction of the cell volume. The Cu–Cu separation is 3.332(5) Å and Cu–O–Cu bridge angle is 119.2(10)°.

In $[\text{Cu}(\alpha\text{-alaha})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ⁸⁵ the Cu(II) atom is coordinated by four nitrogens of the amino and hydroxamate groups, and by an oxygen of the carbonyl group from a neighboring molecule. These nitrogens and the Cu(II) atom are coplanar. An oxygen atom is bound in the apical position, with Cu–O distance of 2.878(3) Å.

The structure of blue $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-apox})(\mu\text{-NCO})_2$ ⁸⁶ consists of neutral one-dimensional chains of Cu(II) atoms bridged alternatively by the oxamidato and cyanato groups. The former acts as a bis-terdentate bridge whereas the latter is bound through nitrogen in an end-on fashion. The equatorial plane around Cu(II) is defined by the oxygen and nitrogen atoms of the amide, the nitrogen atom of the amine group, and the nitrogen atom of the cyanato ligand whereas the apical position is filled by a nitrogen atom of another cyanato group (CuN_4O). The Cu–Cu separation through apox^{2-} and cyanato bridges are 5.240(1) and 3.212(1) Å. The shortest Cu–Cu separation is 6.153(1) Å.

In a dark blue derivative⁸⁷ neutral one-dimensional chains of Cu(II) atoms are bridged alternatively by the oxamidato and azido groups. The former acts as a bis-terdentate ligand whereas the latter is bound through a nitrogen in an asymmetrical end-on fashion. The Cu(II) environment is square-pyramidal (CuN_4O).

In a black complex $[\text{Cu}_3(\text{N}_3)_6(2\text{-bzpy})_2]$ ⁸⁸ bidentate 2-benzoylpyridine molecules each coordinate to a Cu(II) atom to form a five-membered metal-locycle ring and all six independent azido groups serve to bridge neighboring metal centers in the $\mu(1,1)$ mode, yielding infinite composite chains which pack laterally to constitute a polymeric structure, with CuN_4O , CuN_6 and CuN_5O chromophores (Table II).

The structure of another derivative⁸⁹ reveals that the $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\text{H}_2\text{O})]^{2+}$ cation forms a chain copolymer with 18-crown-6 in which each individual crown molecule is involved in no fewer than 10 hydrogen bonds with four amine ligands coordinated to the Cu(II) centers in adjacent ions.

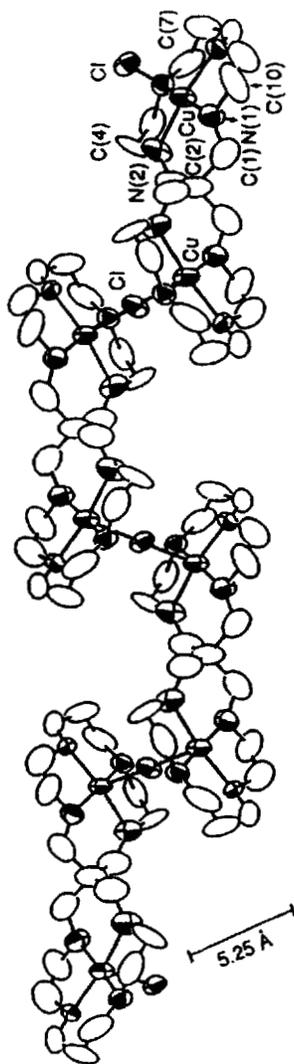
In a blue green derivative⁹⁰ a distorted square-pyramid around Cu(II) atom is created by three nitrogen atoms of the terpyridine ligand (Cu–N = 1.94(1), 2.05(1) and 2.06(1) Å) with the fourth position of the basal plane occupied by cyanide group (Cu–C = 1.92(2) Å). The Cu(II) atom is

displaced 0.26 Å from the basal plane toward the nitrogen and (Cu–N = 2.21(1) Å) of cyanide bonded to a symmetry-related Cu(II) atom. This extended interaction involving non-linear (Cu–N–C = 164(1)°) cyanide bridges between Cu(II) atoms extends through the lattice along the crystallographic twofold screw axis.

The crystal structure of polymeric chains of $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-sbc})(\mu\text{-Cl})]^{3+}$ cations is shown in Figure 4. The zig-zag propagation of the chain results primarily from the ligand structure where the quarternary carbon in the ligand plays a crucial role and controls the relative orientation of each macrocyclic plane defined by the CuN_4 unit. The angle between these planes is 86.9° and the distance between the copper atoms that are not bridged through a chlorine atom is 6.41 compared to 5.25 Å between the chloro-bridged copper atoms. The polymeric structure results from the alternate linkages formed by the bridging chlorine and the quarternary carbon in the ligand structure.

In the light blue $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-im})(\text{imH})_2\text{Cl}^{92}$ the imidazolato ring is in a mirror plane ($y=0$) with both nitrogens bonded to equatorial Cu(II) atoms in the same plane, forming a bridge between the copper atoms in successive unit cells in the z -direction. The two imidazole rings are coordinated to the copper atoms on either side of the mirror plane through one of the nitrogen atoms. The chlorine atom lies in the mirror plane with the Cu–Cl bond in the x -direction. The polymeric chains are held together by hydrogen bonds between adjacent chains. The distance $\text{NH}\cdots\text{Cl} = 3.223(6)$ Å. The Cu(II) atom lies 0.25 Å over the N_4 plane toward the apical chlorine atom (Cu–Cl = 2.559(2) Å).

The red orange derivative⁹³ contains a centrosymmetric $\text{Cu}_{14}\text{Cl}_{28}\text{O}_4^{8-}$ anion and eight tetraethylammonium cations per unit cell. There are five crystallographically independent cations in the structure. The anion can be visualized as being built up from parent $\text{Cu}_4\text{Cl}_{10}\text{O}^{4-}$ clusters in a two-step process. First, two of these units are fused together, showing a common CuCl_3 face on the inner chloride octahedron. This defines a hypothetical intermediate $\text{Cu}_7\text{Cl}_{15}\text{O}_2^{5-}$ cluster. The Cu(II) atom in the shared face is coordinated to two oxygen atoms in axial positions, while each of the other copper atoms has one oxygen and one chlorine atom in these positions. The second step involves dimerization of two $\text{Cu}_7\text{Cl}_{15}\text{O}_2^{5-}$ clusters with one of the non-bridging (exo) ligand sites from each cluster being occupied by one of the bridging chlorine atoms from the other cluster. The centrosymmetric linkage yields the final cluster (Figure 5). While Cu(1), Cu(3) and Cu(4) have trigonal-bipyramidal geometry, Cu(2), Cu(11), Cu(12) and Cu(13) have square-pyramidal geometry (Table II).

FIGURE 4 Structure of $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-sbc})(\mu\text{-Cl})]_2 \cdot 9\text{H}_2\text{O}$

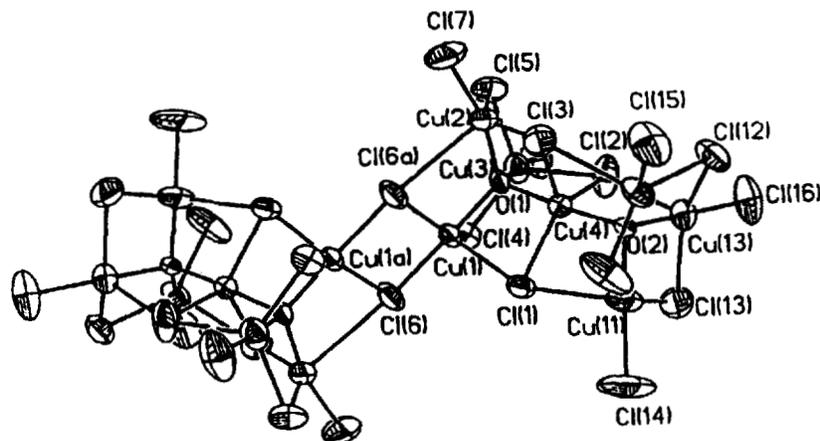


FIGURE 5 Structure of $[\text{Cu}_{14}\text{Cl}_{28}\text{O}_4]^{8-}$.⁹³

The structure of another red orange derivative⁹⁴ consists of infinite chains of chlorine bridged Cu(II) atoms along the *b*-axis; the repeating unit is $(4\text{-ampb-CuCl}_2\text{-EtOH-CuCl}_2\text{-4-ampb})_n$. Although the two coppers are related through crystallographic inversion centers, they have different coordination geometries owing to the positioning of the ethanol molecule. One has a square-pyramidal geometry (CuCl_4N) and the second is a *pseudo*-octahedral coordination (CuCl_4ON) (Table II).

In a red derivative⁹⁵ stepped chains $(\text{CuCl}_2)_n$ are crosslinked by (S–O) bridging 1,4-oxathiane ligands to give five-coordinate (CuCl_4S) and six-coordinate (CuCl_4O_2) environments.

There are almost 40 derivatives^{26,27,96–131} which contain five-coordination around the Cu(II) atom with a CuO_3N_2 chromophore (Table II). The structures are very complex. For example the structure of a dark blue derivative⁹⁶ contains two crystallographically independent Cu(II) atoms having square-pyramidal coordination, joined together with one of the edges of each polyhedron in common to form a dimer. The dimers are piled up along the *c*-axis, and sulfate ions are attached to them through hydrogen bonds.

A structure of $\{\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-OH})(\text{bpy})\}_2(\mu\text{-C}_4\text{O}_4)$ ⁹⁷ contains squarato- O^1, O^3 -bridge bis(μ -hydroxo)bis[(2,2'-bipyridyl)copper(II)] units forming zig-zag one-dimensional chains. Each copper atom is in a square-pyramidal environment.

The crystal structure of a dark green derivative⁹⁹ is built up from $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-msc})_2(\mu\text{-ClO}_4)]^+$ cations and ClO_4^- anions. The approximately planar $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-msc})_2$ dimers in the cations are joined in chains by tetrahedral

μ -bridging perchlorate ions. The coordination polyhedron of each Cu(II) atom is square-pyramidal. The deviations of the Cu atoms from the O_2N_2 plane are 0.137 and 0.003 Å.

In a green derivative¹⁰⁰ the dimeric units are linked by perchlorate groups to one-dimensional infinite chains along the *c*-axis. The coordination polyhedra around the copper atoms are square-pyramidal and tetragonal-bipyramidal, respectively.

In a dark green derivative¹⁰¹ two CuO_3N_2 square pyramids are combined by sharing an O–O edge, forming dimeric units. All dimeric units are connected through N atoms of the 4,4'-bipyridyl ligands, resulting in an infinite network.

The structure of a dark green $Cu(\mu\text{-dmap})(\mu\text{-NCO})$ ¹⁰² complex consists of an infinite two-dimensional network of alkoxo-bridged dimers connected by cyanato-groups in the plane (100).

The crystal structure of blue $Cu_2(\mu\text{-ac})_2(\mu\text{-amoxa})$ ¹⁰⁴ consists of zig-zag chains of Cu(II) atoms bridged by amoxa and acetate groups. The Cu–Cu distance for the atoms separated by the amoxa ligand is 5.24(5) Å while that for the atoms bridged by acetate is 3.261(1) Å.

In a green blue derivative¹⁰⁵ zig-zag chains of Cu(II) atoms are bridged by bhben and acetate groups with Cu–Cu separation of 7.325(2) and 3.383(2) Å, respectively.

The structure of a dark blue derivative¹⁰⁶ consists of infinite polymeric chains of $Cu(\mu\text{-CO}_3)(NH_3)_2$ units; the polymeric linkages are formed through the terminal oxygen atom of one carbonate moiety bonding to an adjacent copper atom, whose terminal carbonate oxygen atom continues the chain.

The structure of a green derivative¹¹¹ is shown in Figure 6. The Cu(II) atoms are bridged sequentially by the barbituric ring with a Cu–Cu separation of 6.322(3) Å. The environment of each copper atom is square-pyramidal, with a deviation of copper from the basal plane of 0.177(3) Å.

A brown derivative¹¹⁵ has infinite chains parallel to (001) built up of 1-bis-(monodentate)squarate- O^1O^3 C_4O_4 anions bridging $[Cu(\text{mpym})(H_2O)]^{2+}$ units. The Cu(II) atoms display distorted trigonal-bipyramidal geometry.

The structure of a green blue derivative¹¹⁸ consists of two crystallographically independent, square-pyramidal $Cu(\mu\text{-pht})(py)_2$ complexes linked in polymeric chains by bridging phthalate anions which also act as chelating ligands through two O atoms from one carboxylate group. Each Cu(II) atom has a square-pyramidal environment with the deviation of the Cu(II) atom from the basal plane of 0.265 Å.

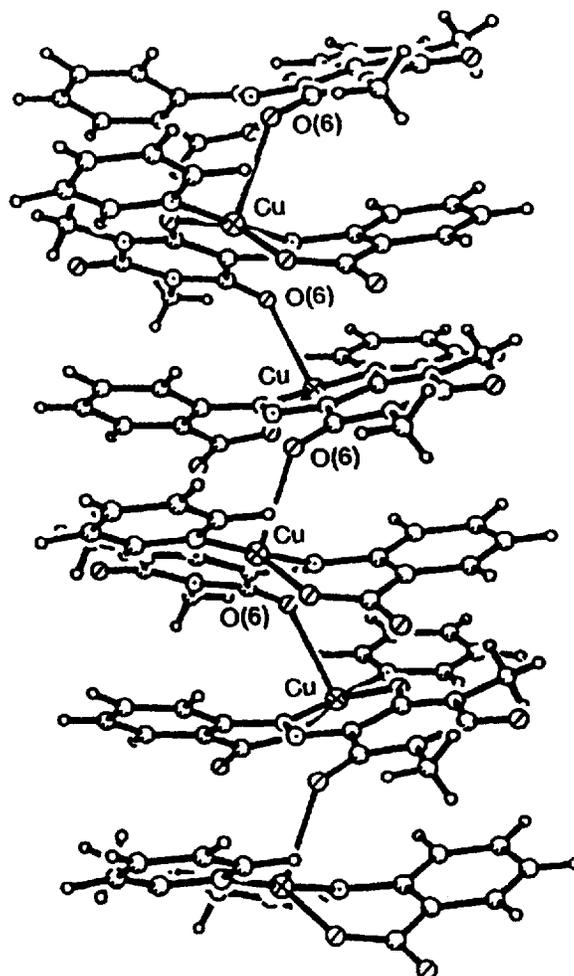


FIGURE 6 Structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-cab})(\text{py})$.¹¹¹

A structure of a blue derivative¹²¹ consists of a polymeric two-dimensional network in which each $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atom is coordinated in a distorted square-pyramidal geometry by three aspartate ions and one imidazole molecule. The aspartate ion acts as a bidentate ligand bridging in an extended configuration, with three metal atoms.

There are several examples¹²⁴⁻¹³¹ in which one multidentate ligand, frequently peptide, created a square-pyramidal environment around each $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atom (CuO_3N_2) in polymeric chains.

In the series of polymeric Cu(II) complexes where Cu(II) atoms are surrounded by three O and two N donor atoms (CuO_3N_2) a distorted square-pyramidal geometry dominates, except for one example¹¹⁵ in which a trigonal bipyramidal environment around Cu(II) was found. The deviation of Cu(II) atom from the basal plane towards the apical (by far prevails O donor atom) ligand is in the range from 0.003 to 0.364 Å. There are four examples^{98,100,112,125} which contain non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms, CuO_3N_2 (square-pyramidal) and CuO_4N_2 tetragonal-bipyramidal). The shortest Cu–Cu distance found in this series is 2.782(5) Å.⁹⁶

In $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-abpo})_2(\text{abpo})\text{Cl}_2$ ¹³² each Cu(II) atom has a slightly distorted square-pyramidal environment (CuO_3Cl_2). The two oxygen and two chlorine atoms form the base, with an oxygen at the apex. The Cu(II) atom sits 0.29 Å above the basal plane. Two Cu(II) atoms share the two basal oxygen atoms and a center of symmetry requires the four-membered ring (Cu_2O_2) to be planar with Cu–Cu distance of 3.274(4) Å. The second N-oxide oxygen atom of each bridging ligand bridges a second pair of copper atoms forming an infinite polymer.

There are two blue derivatives^{133,134} in which the oxygen with one nitrogen donor atom and a chlorine atom (CuO_3NCl) created a distorted square-pyramidal environment around each Cu(II) atom. A one-dimensional polymer chain is bridged by a carboxylate group of a L-prolinato in a syn–anti configuration.¹³³ The Cu(II) atom deviates from the O_2NCl plane by 0.18 Å toward the apical O atom ($\text{Cu–O}_{\text{ap}} = 2.286(5)$ Å).

In two green derivatives^{135,136} each Cu(II) atom with a chromophore CuO_3NS has a distorted square-pyramidal geometry (Table II).

There are nine derivatives, mostly green,^{21b,137–140,142–145} in which three O and two N donor atoms (CuO_3N_2) build up a distorted square-pyramidal environment about Cu(II). In all of them an apical position is occupied by an oxygen donor atom with Cu– $\text{O}_{(\text{apical})}$ bond distances ranging from 2.160(10)^{21b} to 2.749(5) Å.¹³⁸ The Cu(II) atom deviates from the basal plane (N_3O) toward an apical O donor atom from 0.04 Å¹⁴⁰ to 0.289 Å.^{21b} In $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-tda})(\text{terpy})$ ¹⁴¹ the coordination polyhedron (CuN_3O_2) was described as distorted trigonal-bipyramidal. A green complex, $\text{Cu}(\text{pmsh})(\mu\text{-NCS})$, shows¹⁴⁶ a distorted square-pyramidal environment around each Cu(II) atom, involving a tridentate (N_2O) pmsh anion, and a thiocyanate nitrogen ($\text{Cu–N} = 1.930(5)$ Å and sulfur ($\text{Cu–S} = 2.709(2)$ Å) from an adjacent thiocyanate group. This group bridges the coordination polyhedra in zig-zag chains along (001). The Cu(II) atom is out of the plane (N_3O) by 0.18 Å in the direction of the top of the pyramid (S).

In a green derivative¹⁴⁷ the $[\text{Cu}(\text{paphy})(\mu\text{-Cl})]^+$ unit is stacked in columns oriented in the (001) direction with chlorine atoms building a linear chain between CuN_3 moieties. The Cu(II) atom deviates from the N_3Cl plane by 0.109(2) Å toward the apical chlorine atom ($\text{Cu}-\text{Cl}(\text{apical}) = 2.805(4)$ Å).

In other blue¹⁴⁹ and dark green¹⁵⁰ derivatives polymeric chains of copper centers are linked by attachment of the pyridyl group to the adjacent Cu(II) atom. The copper is in a roughly trigonal-bipyramidal environment CuN_3Cl_2 (Table II).

There are two blue complexes^{148,151} which contain mono- μ -bromo-copper(II) chains. Each Cu(II) atom is in a *pseudo*-square-pyramidal environment (CuN_3Br_2). Two green derivatives^{152,153} with di- μ -chlorocopper(II) chains and again each Cu(II) atom is in a *pseudo*-square-pyramidal arrangement with a chromophore CuCl_3O_2 .

The structure of a green complex $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pyNO})(\mu\text{-Cl})\text{Cl}$ ¹⁵⁴ contains oxygen-bridged dimers held together in infinite chains by chloride bridges. Three chlorine atoms with two oxygen donor atoms form around each Cu(II) atom a *pseudo*-square-pyramidal environment.

Another green derivative¹⁵⁵ consists of $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-2MepyNO})_2\text{Cl}_2$ dimers bridged by $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ groups with $\text{Cu}-\mu\text{-Cl}$ distances 2.654(1) and 2.955(3) Å to form infinite chains. The Cu(II) atoms are found in square-pyramidal and distorted octahedral environments (Table II).

Another three derivatives, green^{156,159} and blue green,¹⁵⁷ consist of square-pyramids (CuCl_3N_2) which are linked by single chloride bridges, the axial chloride on one Cu(II) atom being in the basal plane of an adjacent copper. The copper atom lies 0.182 Å¹⁵⁶ and 0.16 Å¹⁵⁷ out of the N_2Cl_2 planes.

Polymeric chains^{61,160} are also linked by single $\text{Cu}-\text{Cl}-\text{Cu}$ bridges from distorted square-pyramidal CuCl_3ON chromophores. Formula units of the green $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-dto})(\mu\text{-Cl})\text{Cl}$ ¹⁶¹ are catenated in two directions to neighboring units, forming a chain comprised of alternating sulfur and chlorine bridges with $\text{Cu}-\text{Cu}$ separation in the Cu_2Cl_2 planar units of 4.046(1) and in the Cu_2S plane of 4.679(1) Å with a $\text{Cu}-\text{Cl}-\text{Cu}$ bridging angle of 93.1(1)° and with a $\text{Cu}-\text{S}-\text{Cu}$ bridging angle of 109.3(1)°.

In another three derivatives, green,¹⁶² blue¹⁶³ and green yellow¹⁶⁴ a distorted square-pyramid around each Cu(II) atom is created by $\text{O}_2\text{N}_2\text{Cl}$ donors with chlorine^{162,163} or O donor atoms¹⁶⁴ in an apical position.

There are seven green derivatives^{102,165-168} of general formula $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-L})-(\mu\text{-NCS})$ which are isostructural. These compounds essentially consist of alkoxo-bridged dimeric units. Each Cu(II) atom is coordinated by amino and thiocyanate nitrogens and two alkoxo-oxygen atoms. In addition to this

coordination, a thiocyanate S atom of a neighbouring dimeric unit approaches the copper atom forming a distorted square-pyramid ($\text{CuO}_2\text{N}_2\text{S}$), thereby dimeric units are linked in chains parallel to the *b*-axis throughout the crystal. The Cu–Cu distance in the dimeric units range from 2.950(2) to 3.035(1) Å.

The structure of a blue derivative¹⁶⁹ consists of crystallographically equivalent $\text{Cu}(\text{bpy})^{2+}$ units linked by 2,2'-dithiodipropionate ligands into infinite chains. Each Cu(II) atom has a distorted square-pyramidal coordination geometry with the two bpy nitrogen and two carboxylate oxygen atoms in equatorial positions. An apically bound disulfide completes the coordination sphere (Table II).

The structure of another blue derivative¹⁷⁰ consists of $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-apac})_2]^{2+}$ dimers where Cu–Cu distances are 2.969 and 2.976 Å. Each Cu(II) atom has a distorted square-pyramidal coordination with O_2N_2 atoms in the basal plane, and an iodide ion in the apical position. The iodide ion lies between two dimers, giving rise to polymeric chains.

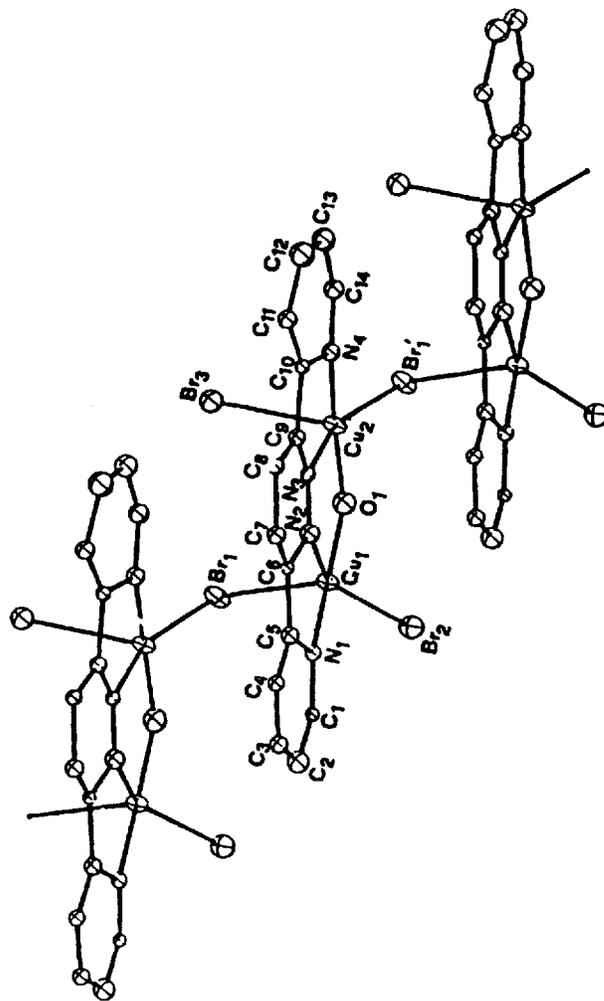
The structures of two green derivatives^{171,172} are isostructural and consist of methoxy-bridged dimers connected to each other through asymmetric chlorine bridges, forming a one-dimensional chain. Each Cu(II) atom is in a distorted square-pyramidal environment ($\text{CuO}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{N}$).

In a pale blue derivative¹⁷³ each Cu(II) atom is bridged by two 1,3,5-tris-(pyrazol-1-ylmethyl)benzene ligands and two chloride ions to form a polymeric structure. The coordination around each Cu(II) atom is distorted square-pyramidal ($\text{CuN}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{O}$).

Molecules of blue $\text{Cu}(\text{gly})(1\text{-Meim})(\mu\text{-Cl})$ ¹⁷⁴ are linked through $\mu\text{-Cl}$ atoms forming polymeric zig-zag chains. Each Cu(II) atom has four close, equatorial ligating atoms (N_2OCl) and an axial chlorine ligand at 2.883(5) Å.

The structure of green $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{OH})(\text{bppz})\text{Br}_3]_n$ ¹⁷⁵ is shown in Figure 7. It consists of dimeric units joined to each other through bridging bromine atoms to form a polymeric array. The two independent Cu(II) atoms of the dimeric moiety are five-coordinate with a geometry which is intermediate between square-pyramidal and a trigonal-bipyramidal. The Cu–Cu distance within the dimer is 3.398(8) Å, excluding a direct metal–metal bond.

Inspection of the data in Table II reveals that there are over 160 derivatives in which Cu(II) atoms are five-coordinate. Square-pyramidal is prevalent, with a few trigonal-bipyramidal examples.^{44,49,145,149,150} There are 26 different types of chromophores from which CuO_3N_2 are most common. Several cases contain non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms, five- and six-coordinated.^{26,38,62,63,84,88,94,95,98,100,112,125,145,155} Cu(II) atoms²⁷ exist with CuO_5 and CuO_3N_2 chromophores. The shortest Cu–Cu distance found

FIGURE 7 Structure of $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{OH})(\text{bppz})\text{Br}_3]_n$.¹⁷⁵

in this series is 2.652(2) Å.²⁶ In the series of Cu(II) derivatives with a square-pyramidal configuration, deviation of Cu(II) from the basal plane toward on apical donor atom range from 0.08 to 0.406 Å.

A summary of the copper-ligand(atom) bond lengths for Cu(II) compounds with coordination number five is given in Table IIA. In general, the Cu-L bond distances increase with covalent radius of the respective donor atoms. The mean Cu-L(equatorial) bond lengths are somewhat shorter than those of Cu-L(apical). The mean Cu-L(bridge) bond distances are longer than those of the non-bridging bonds. In the series of chelating ligands, the effect of both electronic and steric hindrance of the coordinated atom can be seen in the opening of the L-Cu-L bond angles of the respective metalocycles. For example, in the five-membered metalocyclic rings, the L-Cu-L angles range from 77° to 81°, when L is an N-donor with unsaturation, and from 82° to 86.5° when the N-donor is saturated, but from 80° to 85.5° when L is an O-donor.

TABLE IIA Summary of the Cu(II)-L bond distances for five-coordinated derivatives^a

Coord. atom ^b	Cov. rad. [Å]	Cu-L (equatorial) [Å]	Cu-L (apical) [Å]
LO	0.73	2.01(9,28)	2.37(14,48)
μLO		1.95(8,10)	2.39(8,7)
μOH		1.93(7,15)	—
μ ₃ O		1.90(1,1)	—
μ ₃ OH		2.00	2.43
μ ₄ O		1.92(2,0)	—
L ² O		1.97(12,20)	2.39(15,30)
L ³ O		1.98(7,14)	2.37(8,20)
L ⁴ O		1.94(5,6)	2.38(12,32)
L ⁷ O		1.92(2,4)	2.28
LN	0.75	1.97(2,5)	2.32
μLN		1.98(9,8)	2.53(20,18)
L ² N		2.02(8,15)	2.33(6,10)
L ³ N		1.99(9,10)	—
L ⁴ N		2.02(4,3)	—
L ⁶ N		2.01	—
Cl	0.99	2.55(8,11)	2.66(19,39)
μCl		2.30(10,6)	2.55(15,65)
μ ₃ Cl			2.57(26,79)
L ² S	1.02	2.32	—
Br	1.14	2.40(2,2)	2.81
μBr		2.43(3,8)	2.39(33,33)
μ ₃ Br			3.06
μI	1.33	2.99	3.22
SCN	0.75	1.93(3,4)	—
NCS	1.02	—	2.89(18,18)

^a The first number in parenthesis is the maximum deviation from the mean of the lowest value observed. The second number in parenthesis is the maximum deviation from the mean of the highest value observed. ^b L^x = x - dentate.

The metallocyclic internal ring angle increases as expected with the number of ring atoms in the order L=O mean value 56(6,6)° for four-membered rings; 83.5(3.5,2) for five-membered and 92.5 for six-membered; for L=N the values are 79(2,2)° for five-membered(unsaturated), 83.5(15,3)° for five-membered(saturated) and 94(6,4)° for six-membered.

2.3. Six-Coordination

Crystallographic and structural data for six-coordinate polymeric Cu(II) compounds are summarized in Table III. The order is in increasing complexity of the coordination sphere and increasing covalent radius of the principal coordinated atom. Structures are very complex. There are 51 examples^{36,98,116,176–219} which contain CuO₆ chromophores.

In four complexes, besides O donor organic ligands four molecules of water create a *pseudo*-octahedral configuration about Cu(II).^{176–181} The structure of Cu(μ -EtSO₄)(H₂O)₄¹⁷⁶ consists of chains parallel to the *c*-axis. Adjacent chains are held together by a system of hydrogen bonds from each water oxygen of one chain to ethyl sulfate oxygens of adjacent chains. Monoclinic Cu{ μ -O₃(CH₂)₂SO₃}(H₂O)₄¹⁷⁷ shows chains of Cu(II) atoms bridged by the ethanedisulfonato groups. All H atoms of the water molecules are involved in hydrogen bonds (average 2.75 Å). The structure of triclinic Cu{ μ -O₃S(CH₂)₄SO₃}(H₂O)₄¹⁷⁸ is similar to that of the 1,2-ethanedisulfonate derivative¹⁷⁷ with hydrogen bonds (average 2.7 Å).

In green Cu(μ -C₄O₄)(H₂O)₄¹⁷⁹ the Cu(H₂O)₄²⁺ moieties are bridged by bidentate squarate anions. Copper(II) is coordinated to the p-orbital of the squarate oxygen (the torsion angle C(2)–C(1)–O(1)–Cu = –100.2°). The geometry around Cu(II) is characteristic of Jahn–Teller distortion. The Cu(II) to squarate oxygen bond length, Cu–O = 2.469(2) Å, is much longer than the copper to water oxygen length, Cu–O = 1.961(3) and 1.98(2) Å.

Blue Cu₂(μ -cdta)(H₂O)₄ was studied by two groups.^{180,181} The complex exhibits a chain arrangement built up from altering ‘hydrated’ and ‘chelated’ *pseudo*-octahedral sites bridged by carboxylate groups of cdta anions.

Brown Cu(μ -C₅O₅)(H₂O)₃¹⁸² consists of infinite one-dimensional chains of Cu(II) atoms bridged by croconate ligands acting in mono- and bidentate fashion.

Pale green Cu(μ -HCOO)₂(H₂O)₂ which was studied by two groups^{183,184} consists of three-dimensional chains of Cu(II) atoms joined together by formate groups in an anti–syn and anti–anti bridging arrangement. Two Cu(II) atoms in the unit cell are surrounded exclusively by oxygen atoms of formate groups, forming an elongated octahedral coordination. The remaining

TABLE III Crystallographic and structural data for polymeric Cu(II) coordination compounds: coordination number six^a

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
Cu(μ -EtSO ₄)(H ₂ O) ₄ (not given)	or Pbca 4	9.72(-) 7.30(-) 19.70(-)		CuO ₆	H ₂ O ^b 1.97(-,1) μ EtO ₃ SO 2.39(-)	Not given	O,O ^b 89.2(-,1.6)	176
Cu(μ -SO ₃ (CH ₂) ₂ SO ₃)- (H ₂ O) ₄ (not given)	tr P-1 2	5.974(1) 8.657(1) 10.760(1)	95.07(1) 88.30(1) 109.65(1)	CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.967(2,9) μ O 2.344(2,10)	Not given	O,O 90.85(7,2.19)	177
Cu(μ -SO ₃ (CH ₂) ₄ SO ₃)- (H ₂ O) ₄ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	6.2125(8) 9.081(2) 11.324(3)	108.65(1)	CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.949(1,1) μ O 2.36(1)	Not given	O,O 89.54(6,3.10)	178
Cu(μ -C ₄ O ₄)(H ₂ O) ₄ (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	6.676(2) 7.946(4) 7.688(2)	110.39(2)	CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.955(3,7) μ C ₄ O ₃ O 2.469(2)	Not given	O,O 90.0(1,2.7) 180.0	179
Cu ₂ (μ -cdta)(H ₂ O) ₄ (light blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	10.863(3) 12.074(4) 14.802(6)		CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.983(7,10) 2.351(7) 2.975(8) μ cdtaO 1.950(6,5) μ cdtaO 1.962(6,10) 2.383(7,19) μ cdtaN 2.016(7,18)	Not given	O,O 86.2(3,6.1) 93.3(3,3.6) 171.9(3,2.4)	180
Cu ₂ (μ -cdta)(H ₂ O) ₄ (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	10.840(3) 12.048(2) 14.802(2)		CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.978(7,8) 2.372(7) 2.974(7) μ cdtaO 1.932(7,4)	Not given	O,O 85.6(3,5.1) 92.9(3,4.3) 172.1(3,2.2)	181

TABLE III (Continued)

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
Cu(μ -C ₅ O ₂)(H ₂ O) ₃ (brown)	or	11.770(2)		CuO ₄ N ₂	μ cdtaO 1.950(6,29) 2.344(6)	Not given	O,O 98.5(3) 168.2(3)	182
	Pbca	8.085(2)						
[Cu(μ -H ₂ O) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂]malH (not given)	8	15.571(2)		CuO ₆	H ₂ O 2.322(2,13) 2.425(6)	Not given	N,N 89.4(3,2.0) ^c O,N 81.3(3,2.0) ^c 91.7(3)	36
	m	3.594(4)						
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ (pale green)	I2/m	18.79(2)		CuO ₆	μ H ₂ O 1.933(2) 2.682(2)	Not given	O,O 93.4(1,6.9)	183
	2	9.69(1)	93.25(2)					
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ (pale green)	m	8.54(2)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 2.03(-,1) 2.28(-)	Not given	O,O 89(-,2)	183
	P2 ₁ /c	7.15(1)	96.18					
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ (pale green)	4	9.50(2)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 2.35(-) H ₂ O 2.00(-,3)	Not given	O,O 89(-,2)	184
	m	8.54(2)						
[Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] 2H ₂ O (light blue)	P2 ₁ /c	7.15(1)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 2.003(17,16) 2.304(18)	Not given	O,O 88.2(7,1.4)	184
	4	9.50(2)	96.48					
[Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] 2H ₂ O (light blue)	m	8.18(2)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 2.368(19) H ₂ O 2.009(16,3.5)	Not given	O,O 87.3(6,4)	185
	P2 ₁ /a	8.15(2)	101.5(20)					
[Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] 2H ₂ O (light blue) (by neutron diffraction)	2	6.35(2)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 2.01(-,1) H ₂ O 2.36(-)	Not given	Not given	186
	m	8.15(-)						
[Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] 2H ₂ O (light blue)	P2 ₁ /a	8.18(-)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 2.00(1,1) H ₂ O 2.38(1)	Not given	O,O 88.8(4,2.0)	186
	2	6.35(-)	101.5					

[Cu(μ -HCOO) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$] \cdot 2urea (green)	m P2 $_1$ /c 2	8.275(4) 8.346(3) 8.018(3)	96.36(5)	CuO $_6$	μ HCOO 1.972(1,5) H $_2$ O 2.433(1)	5.79	O $_2$ O 89.1(2,2,6)	187
[Cu(μ -dcap) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$] \cdot 4H $_2$ O (light blue)	m P2 $_1$ /c 2	7.944(3) 11.267(3) 13.562(5)	103.84(3)	CuO $_6$	H $_2$ O 1.995(1) μ dcapO 1.996(1) 2.298(2)	Not given	O $_2$ O 90.0(1,3,0)	188
Cu(μ -tppr) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$ (blue)	or Pbea 4	8.366(2) 9.262(2) 23.221(4)		CuO $_6$	H $_2$ O 1.912(4,0) μ tpprO 1.946(4) 2.731(5)	Not given	O $_2$ O 90.0(2,3,0)	189
[Cu $_2$ (μ -L-ala)(μ H $_2$ O) $_2$] \cdot (SO $_4$) $_2$ (pale blue)	m P2 $_1$ 4	6.311(7) 23.119(6) 14.064(3)	93.42(4)	CuO $_6$	μ alaO 1.933(—,1) H $_2$ O 1.978(—,9) 2.415(—) 2.538(—)	3.153(—,4)	Not given	190
Cu(μ -2,6-dhb) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$ (not given)	m P2 $_1$ /n 2	5.246(1) 10.709(1) 13.134(1)	94.49(1)	CuO $_6$	μ dhbO 1.935(2) 2.599(3) H $_2$ O 1.966(3)	Not given	O $_2$ O 90.0(1,5,1)	191
[Cu(μ -egl) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$]SO $_4$ (blue)	m C2/c 4	7.249(1) 15.539(2) 10.027(1)	103.42(1)	CuO $_6$	H $_2$ O 1.952(2,0) μ eglO 1.979(2,0) 2.378(2,0)	Not given	O $_2$ O 89.3(1,5,3)	192
Cu(μ -cma) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$ (green)	m C2/c 4	17.700(7) 19.266(8) 7.424(4)	91.88(4)	CuO $_6$	cma μ O 1.921(2) 2.892(3) H $_2$ O 1.947(2)	3.976(3) 109.4(1) 70.6(1)	O $_2$ O 72.3(1,1,7) 90.6(1,2,8) 107.8(1,8) 177.5(1,8)	193
[Cu(μ -nicO) $_2$ (H $_2$ O) $_2$] \cdot 4H $_2$ O (green)	m P2 $_1$ 2	4.84(1) 27.55(7) 6.77(1)	106.08(17)	CuO $_6$	μ nicO 1.942(5,16) 2.522(6,55) H $_2$ O 1.933(6,67)	Not given	O $_2$ O 90.0(2,4,6) 176.8(3,2,1)	194
[Cu(μ -C $_6$ Cl $_2$ O $_2$)(H $_2$ O) $_2$] \cdot H $_2$ O (not given)	tr P-1 2	7.040(4) 7.962(4) 9.364(5)	84.58(3) 89.25(3) 76.53(3)	CuO $_6$	μ C $_6$ Cl $_2$ O $_2$ O 1.966(5,1) 2.591(4,7) H $_2$ O 2.006(5,10)	4.991(2)	O $_2$ O 78.1(2,0) ^c 90.0(2,2,5) 101.9(2,2) 178.4(2,1,2)	195

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Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-C}_2\text{O}_4)(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ (greenish yellow)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.818(2) 11.816(7) 6.295(1)	100.30(2)	CuO ₆	C ₂ O ₄ μ O 1.953(3,7) 2.501(4) H ₂ O 1.964(4,13) 2.696(4)	Not given	O,O 85.92(16,1.75) 94.07(16,3.47) 177.07(18,2.73)	196
$[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-D-tart})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot$ H ₂ O (blue)	m P2 ₁ 4	12.13(2) 8.37(2) 8.74(1)	104.6(4)	CuO ₆	tartO 1.95(1,5) tart μ O 1.97(1) H ₂ O 2.40(2) tartO 1.94(1,5) tart μ O 2.37(2) H ₂ O 1.95(2)	5.42(—)	O,O 93.1(7,6.2)	197
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-o-phth})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	10.263(7) 6.540(9) 6.795(8)	94.8(1)	CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.980(5) 1.993(5,13) μ phthO 1.958(5,8) 2.154(5) 2.861(6)	Not given	O,O 51.2(2) ^d 86.1(2,2.3) 94.2(2,4,9) 133.6(2,4,9) 173.3(2,4,7)	198
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-HCOO})_2 \cdot$ (HCONH ₂) ₂ (green)	m P2 ₁ /b 2	7.775(5) 7.995(5) 7.949(5)	64.83(2)	CuO ₆	μ HCOO 1.970(2,8) 2.368(3) (NH ₂)HCO 1.962(2)	Not given	O,O 87.9(3,1.6)	98
$\text{K}_2[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-nac})_2] \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ (green)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	8.544(1) 9.433(2) 12.819(2)	98.07(1)	CuO ₆	H ₂ O 1.925(5,9) 2.539(—) μ macO 1.919(4) 2.891(—)	Not given	O,O 89.6(2,11.9) 92.0(2) ^e 173.8(2,4,3)	199
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-fu})_2(\text{MeOH})_2$ (green)	tr P-1 1	4.749(1) 12.433(2) 13.722(2)	88.23(1) 83.11(1) 88.58(1)	CuO ₆	μ fuO 1.924(2) 2.720(2) MeHO 1.941(2,0)	4.749	O,O 91.75(9,4.09)	200

[Cu(μ -lactate) ₂ (H ₂ O)]· 0.5H ₂ O (blue)	m A2 4	10.53(3) 20.55(5) 5.66(2)	CuO ₆	μ lactO 1.95(—,2) 2.90(—) H ₂ O 2.30(—)	Not given	O, O 81.6(—,6) ^c 94.6(—,4.6)	201
Cu(μ -glycolate) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	7.93(2) 5.08(2) 8.68(2)	CuO ₆	μ glycO 1.92(—,1) 2.54(—)	Not given	O, O 83.4(—) ^c 90.4(—,1.5)	201 202
Cu(μ -o-phth)(μ -H ₂ O) (blue)	m B2/b 8	26.10(25) 9.79(1) 6.67(1)	CuO ₆	μ H ₂ O 1.961(4) ph μ O 1.962(4) 2.462(4) μ H ₂ O 2.577(4) ph μ O 1.946(4) 1.931(4,0)	Not given	O, O 88.8(2,3.1)	203
Cu(μ -odac)(H ₂ O) (royal blue)	or Pbcn 8	9.263(6) 14.283(5) 9.283(6)	CuO ₆	μ odacO 2.488(7) μ odacO 1.947(9,6) H ₂ O 2.73(2)	Not given	O, O 74.4(5,6) ^c 91.7(6,4.9) 115.8(3,1.2) 134.7(5) 169.8(4,8)	204
Cu(μ -HCOO)(μ -OH) (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	7.316(1) 5.958(1) 3.279(1)	CuO ₆	μ HCOO 1.96(1,2) μ ₃ HO 1.94(2,3) 2.60(2,2)	2.979	O, O 90.0(1,1.1)	205
(Me ₂ NH ₂) ⁻ [Cu(μ -HCOO) ₃] (turquoise)	m I2/c 4	11.4204(5) 8.7139(5) 8.8502(5)	CuO ₆	μ HCOO 1.970(—,1) 2.491(—,0)	Not given	O, O 89.69(—,2.16)	206
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (light blue)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	8.195(6) 7.925(6) 3.620(5)	CuO ₆	HCOO 1.947(—,19) 2.656(2,0)	Not given	O, O 90.0(—,11.3)	207
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (blue)	or Pbca 8	14.1900(3) 8.9354(2) 6.2205(2)	CuO ₆	μ HCOO 1.967(6,29) 2.410(5) 2.797(5)	Not given	O, O 92.3(2,3.5) 79.7(2)	208
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (blue) (at 80 K)	or Pbca 8	14.1791(3) 8.9059(2) 6.1584(3)	CuO ₆	μ HCOO 1.961(5,24) 2.389(5) 2.786(5)	Not given	O, O 92.0(2,3.3) 79.0(2)	208

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Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
Cu(μ -HCOO) ₂ (blue) (at 4.2 K)	or Pbca 8	14.1813(4) 8.8988(3) 6.1468(3)		CuO ₆	μ HCOO 1.962(5,25) 2.371(5) 2.781(5)	Not given	O,O 92.2(2,3.7) 79.7(2)	208
Cu(μ -Me ₂ CNO ₂) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /a 4	6.792(6) 10.343(8) 13.366(9)	90.76(5)	CuO ₆	O 1.96(6,8) 2.50(6,10)	Not given	O,O 67(2) ^d 91(2)	209
Cu(μ -C ₃₂ H ₅₄ N ₂ O ₈) ₂ (green)	tr P-1 2	11.992(1) 12.188(1) 12.912(1)	78.03(2) 78.96(2) 84.06(2)	CuO ₆	O 1.917(3,13) 2.583(5,0)	Not given	O,O 92.3(1) ^e 86.3(1,3.5)	210
[Cu(μ -o-phihH) ₂] · 2H ₂ O (not given) (by neutr. diff.)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	8.360(2) 14.395(4) 7.086(2)	112.18(5)	CuO ₆	O 1.905(4,7) 3.157(5,0)	Not given	O,O 92.9(2) ^e 83.8(2,5.5)	211
(pyH)[Cu(μ -ox) ₂]oxH (blue)	tr P-1 1	8.980(6) 14.159(7) 3.697(3)	92.47(7) 101.17(7) 97.69(4)	CuO ₆	oxHO 1.945(1) μ oxO 1.915(2) 2.893(3)	3.697	O,O 85.61(6) ^e 88.1(1,6.7)	116
(bzNH ₃) ₂ [Cu(μ -ox) ₂] (blue)	or Pbca 4	7.100(2) 8.004(2) 35.444(8)		CuO ₆	μ oxO 1.936(5,3) 2.568(5)	Not given	O,O 85.6(2) ^f 96.2(2,1.0)	212
{NH ₃ (CH ₂) ₃ NH ₃ }- [Cu(μ -ox) ₂] (royal blue)	m C2/c 4	17.901(3) 4.920(1) 14.002(3)	118.7(2)	CuO ₆	μ oxO 1.934(2,3) 2.883(3)	Not given	O,O 86.73(9) ^e 91.3(1,3.6)	212
[Cu(H ₂ O) ₆]- [Cu(μ -dmcan) ₂] (green)	tr P-1 1	6.580(1) 8.527(2) 9.859(2)	100.04(2) 101.67(2) 94.75(2)	CuO ₆	μ dmcanO 2.20	5.757	Not given	213
Cu(μ -PhMePO ₂) ₂ (μ -fa) ₂ (pale blue)	tr P-1 2	11.550(2) 11.569(1) 8.113(1)	107.98(5) 90.86(4) 91.32(4)	CuO ₆	O 1.988(9,17) fa μ O 2.385(10,5)	4.056(1) 116.7(3)	O,O 90.0(4,1.8)	214

Cu(nbifac) ₂ (μ-dio) (green)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	15.753(4) 11.262(3) 7.587(2)	91.72(2)	CuO ₆	nbifacO 1.934(4,6) μdioO 2.458(4,0)	Not given	O, O 89.7(1,3,8)	215
Cu(hifacac) ₂ (μ-tpmpo) (green brown)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	10.482(3) 15.565(5) 16.702(5)	97.75(2)	CuO ₆	hifacacO 1.947(5,4) μtpmpoO 2.427(6,13)	Not given	O, O 89.5(2,6,4) 92.8(2,3) ^e 176.6(2,1,5)	216
Cu(hifacac) ₂ (μ-nitme) (not given)	tr P-1 2	8.955(6) 15.915(7) 10.29(4)	71.20(3) 68.24(2) 76.44(3)	CuO ₆	hifacacO 1.946(4,10) μnitmeO 2.341(6)	Not given	O, O 88.6(2,3,7)	217
Cu(μ-acac)(μ-Cl ₃ ac) (blue green)	hx P6 ₃ /F5	11.143(2)		CuO ₆	hifacacO 1.933(5,6) μnitmeO 2.431(5) μacacO 1.90(—5) 2.57(—9) μCl ₃ acO 1.90	3.19	O, O 91.2(2,3,7) Not given	218
Cu(μ-cba)(cba) ₂ (μ-SO ₄) (not given)	or Pbcn 4	17.917(4) 13.004(6) 9.268(4) 8.873(4)		CuO ₆	μSO ₄ O 1.974(2) cbaO 1.935(2) μcbaO 2.608(3)	Not given	O, O 93.05(1)	219
Cu(μ-(1,1)-N ₃)- (μ-(1,3)-N ₃) (black brown)	or Pnma 4	13.481(2) 3.084(1) 9.076(2)		CuN ₆	μ(1,1)-N ₃ N 1.975(7) 2.696(12) μ(1,3)-N ₃ N 1.984(8) 2.596(15)	3.084(1) 3.496(4) 84.3(4)	N, N 77.5(4) 87.5(4) 94.3(4,2,6) 102.3(6,3)	220
Cu(μ-(1,1,3)-N ₃)- (N ₃)(NH ₃) ₂ (blue green)	or Pnma 4	6.389(5) 7.454(5) 12.71(1)		CuN ₆	H ₂ N 1.985(8,0) N ₃ N 1.952(8) μ ₃ N ₃ N 2.053(8) 2.61(1,6)	4.238(4) 133.4(4)	N, N 90.0(5,3,4) 177.9(4)	221
Cu(py) ₂ (N ₃)- (μ-(1,1,3)-N ₃) (green)	or Cmca 4	13.884(2) 13.646(2) 6.403(2)		CuN ₆	pyN 2.041(20) N ₃ N 1.979(26) μ ₃ N ₃ N 2.010(20) 2.496(29) 2.761(25)	Not given	N, N 90.0(10,7,4)	222

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Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu–L [Å]	Cu–Cu [Å] Cu–L–Cu [°]	L–Cu–L [°]	Ref.
Cu $[\mu$ -(1,1)-N $_3$] $_2$ (4-Mepy) $_2$ (black)	m	11.062(3)	90.83(2)	CuN $_6$	MepyN 2.00(2,6)	3.535(5,22) 102.1(8,4.3)	N $_1$ N 81.6(7,4.0)	223
	P2 $_1$ /a 12	19.310(6) 20.547(5)			μ N $_3$ N 2.00(2,4) 2.55(2,3) 2.73(2,7)			
Cu $[\mu$ -(1,1)-N $_3$]- { μ -(1,3)-N $_3$ }- (3-Mepy) $_2$ (black)	m	11.366(2)	109.34(1)	CuN $_6$	μ N $_3$ N 1.972(8)	3.546(2) 98.3(3)	N $_1$ N 90.2(3,1.8)	45
	P2 $_1$ /n 6	13.902(3) 14.462(3)			MepyN 2.01(0,6) μ N $_3$ N 1.996(8) 2.625(9) N $_3\mu$ N 1.970(7) 2.679(8)			
Cu(2,2'-bpy){ μ -(1,1)-N $_3$] $_2$ (green)	tr	6.649(2)	86.99(2) 87.77(3) 78.59(2)	CuN $_6$	MepyN 2.014(5,17)	Not given	N $_1$ N 79.6(2) ^c	224
	P-1 2	8.433(1) 10.820(2)			bpyN 2.018(6,2) μ N $_3$ N 1.958(4,17) 2.681(8,1)			
[Cu(en) $_2$ (μ -NCS)]Br (violet)	or Pnam 4	7.224(5) 15.573(12) 10.429(5)	116.43(7)	CuN $_6$	enN 2.02(–,1) μ SCN 2.70(–,3)	Not given	N $_1$ N 85.1(–) ^c	225
	or Pnam 4	15.379(4) 10.788(2) 7.610(2)			enN 2.014(4,5) μ SCN 2.720(2)			
[Cu(en) $_2$ (μ -NCS)]BF $_4$ (violet)	or Pnam 4	15.60(3) 7.63(2) 10.82(2)	116.43(7)	CuN $_6$	enN 2.03(2,1) μ SCN 2.73(3)	Not given	N $_1$ N 85 ^c 89(–,4)	227
	or Pnam 4	10.084(7) 7.682(5) 9.126(6)			μ trzN 2.002(5) 2.477(3) SCN 1.984(3)			

α -Cu(μ -tp)(NCS) ₂ (dark green)	m B2 ₁ /c 4	10.151(5) 7.682(5) 16.337(9)	96.37(7)	CuN ₆	μ tpN 2.035(5) 2.633(6) SCN 1.935(6)	8.905	N,N 91.1(2,3.1)	229
Cu(μ -C(CN) ₃) ₂ (black)	or Pmna 2	7.176(5) 5.471(5) 10.753(5)		CuN ₆	N 1.98(1) 2.49(1)	Not given	Not given	230
[Cu(μ -C(CN) ₃)(pzH) ₄] {C(CN) ₃ } (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	9.5689(4) 16.692(7) 14.957(9)	94.05(4)	CuN ₆	pzN 1.994(6,15) μ C(CN) ₃ N 2.373(7) 2.500(7)	Not given	N,N 90.0(3,3.0) 177.2(3,1.0)	231
[Cu(aebg)(μ -cg)](SO ₄) H ₂ O (red violet)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.088(7) 15.64(1) 13.43(1)	101.8(2)	CuN ₆	aebgN 1.96(1,5) μ cgN 1.96(1) 3.10(1,4)	Not given	Not given	232
[Cu(μ -C ₁₁ H ₇ N ₂)] (purple)	or Pbca —	13.233(2) 10.754(2) 21.411(4)		CuN ₆	N 1.989(5,6) 2.82	Not given	N,N 92.1(2) ^o	233
(Me(NH ₂) ₂)[Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ Cl ₂] (brown) (at 297 K)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	7.268(4) 7.367(4) 9.971(3)	110.89(1)	CuCl ₆	Cl 2.297(1,0) μ Cl 2.283(1,0) 2.907(1,0)	Not given	Cl,Cl 89.39(10,6.8) 180	234
(Me(NH ₂) ₂)[Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ Cl ₂] (brown) (at 100 K)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	7.155(4) 7.424(4) 9.814(3)	109.18(7)	CuCl ₆	Cl 2.311(1,0) μ Cl 2.287(1,0) 2.902(1,0)	Not given	Cl,Cl 88.35(4,1.18) 180	234
(Me ₂ N)[Cu(μ -Cl) ₂] (red) (at 405 K)	hx P6 ₃ /mmc 2	9.160(2) 6.474(2)		CuCl ₆	Not given	Not given	Not given	235
(Me ₂ N)[Cu(μ -Cl) ₂] (red) (at 323 K)	tr P-1 2	9.082(5) 9.073(5) 6.442(3)	90.05(4) 92.40(4) 119.99(3)	CuCl ₆	Not given	Not given	Not given	235

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(Me ₄ N)[Cu(μ-Cl) ₃] (red) (at 213 K)	m P2 ₁ 10	8.948(8) 32.225(10) 8.980(2)	119.487(18)	CuCl ₆	Not given	Not given	Not given	235
{H ₃ N(CH ₂) ₃ NH ₃ } ₂ [Cu(μ-Cl) ₂ Cl] ₂ (yellow)	or Pnma 4	7.200(2) 18.246(6) 7.451(2)		CuCl ₆	μCl 2.275(1) 2.946(1) Cl 2.314(1)	Not given 165.70(4)	Cl, Cl 88.45(2), 1.79)	236
(aud) ₂ [Cu(μ-Cl) ₂ Cl] ₂ (green)	tr P-1 2	7.237(1) 7.536(1) 27.605(2)	97.98(8) 92.45(8) 90.02(8)	CuCl ₆	Cl 2.289(1,17) μCl 2.975(1,0)	Not given	Cl, Cl 90.0(-), 3.4) 180(-)	237
{H ₃ N(CH ₂) ₂ NH ₃ }- [Cu(μ-Cl) ₂ Cl] ₂ (brown green)	m P2 ₁ /b 2	8.609(2) 7.130(2) 7.192(2)		CuCl ₆	Cl 2.295(1,1) μCl 2.300(1,0)	Not given	Cl, Cl 90.0(-), 3.4) 180(-)	238
{(H ₃ NCH ₂ CH ₂) ₂ NH ₃ }. [Cu(μ-Cl) ₂ Cl ₂ Cl] (yellow)	or Pnma 4	7.1109(3) 23.6788(10) 7.3353(3)	92.69(2)	CuCl ₆	Cl 2.316(2) μCl 2.308(2) 2.896(2)	Not given 166.46(6)	Cl, Cl 89.95(6), 1.88)	239
(anH) ₂ [Cu(μ-Cl) ₂ Cl] ₂ (yellow brownist)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	15.050(2) 7.443(1) 7.180(1)	100.7(1)	CuCl ₆	Cl 2.3106(6) μCl 2.2821(6) 2.8725(6)	5.108 164.50(2)	Cl, Cl 89.94(2,7)	240
(β-alaiH) ₂ [Cu(μ-Br) ₂ Br] ₂ (purple)	m I2/c 4	7.661(1) 8.027(1) 24.295(7)	92.49(2)	CuBr ₆	Br 2.429(1) μBr 2.444(1) 3.172(1)	5.354(-) 167.53(4)	Br, Br 90.12(5), 1.55)	241
{H ₃ N(CH ₂) ₂ NH ₃ }- [Cu(μ-Br) ₂ Br] ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	7.511(1) 7.803(1) 8.334(2)	92.12(2)	CuBr ₆	Br 2.444(1) μBr 2.431(1) 3.034(1)	Not given 164.5(1)	Br, Br 90.4(1)	242

$(\text{H}_3\text{N}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{NH}_3)-$ [Cu(μ -Br) $_2$ Br] $_2$ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	8.036(2) 7.566(2) 17.622(5)	96.75(2)	CuBr ₆	Br 2.444(3,4) μ Br 2.432(3) 3.148(3)	Not given 164.8(1,8)	Br, Br 90.3(1,3)	242
(abhpH) $_2$ [Cu $_2$ (μ_3 -Br) (μ -Br) $_2$ Br] $_2$ (brownish violet)	tr P-1 2	6.301(2) 7.037(2) 8.881(2)	81.47(2) 86.21(2) 86.16(2)	CuBr ₆	Br 2.398(2,8) μ Br 2.458(2,8) μ_3 Br 2.466(2) 3.269(2,27)	Not given 97.1(1)	Br, Br 90.0(1,7,1) 172.5(1,1,4)	243
Cu(pyvgly)(H ₂ O) $_3$ (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	10.489(12) 6.654(7) 14.904(17)	116.25(81)	CuO $_3$ N	pyvglyO 1.999(10,4) pyvglyN 1.917(11) H ₂ O 1.923(9) 2.451(10) 2.616(10)	Not given	O, O 90.89(40,9,35) O, N 82.11(42,46) ^c 96.32(39,3,54)	244
[Cu(μ -Me $_2$ cys)(H ₂ O) $_3$] $_2$ 2H ₂ O (deep blue)	m Cc 4	13.605(2) 11.163(1) 9.560(2)	117.07(2)	CuO $_3$ N	cysO 1.953(3,4) N 1.986(3) H ₂ O 1.983(3) 2.471(3) 2.572(5)	5.0397(2)	O, O 89.7(1,5,0) 176.1(1,1,7) O, N 83.5(1) ^c 86.1(2,3,8) 97.8(1,5) 170.8(2)	245
Cu(μ -opidac)(H ₂ O) $_2$ (green)	m P2 ₁ /b 4	10.571(5) 9.254(6) 12.170(6)	99.00(3)	CuO $_3$ N	O 1.952(5,1) 2.386(7) N 2.041(6) H ₂ O 1.977(6) 2.566(7)	Not given	O, O 89.7(3,7,5) 168.2(3,5) O, N 84.5(2,2) ^c 88.6(2) 106.5(2) 171.2(3)	246
Cu(μ -ida)(H ₂ O) $_2$ (blue)	or Pbca 8	10.228(2) 10.419(2) 13.688(3)		CuO $_3$ N	μ idaO 1.953(3,8) 2.494(3) N 2.014(3) H ₂ O 1.991(3) 2.410(3)	Not given	O, O 90.8(1,6,4) O, N 73.2(1) ^c 90.3(1,6,4)	247
Cu(μ -pydc)(H ₂ O) $_2$ (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.21(1) 19.02(1) 6.41(1)	107.1(1)	CuO $_3$ N	μ pydcO 2.044(4,7) 2.423(3) N 1.898(4) H ₂ O 1.940(4) 2.396(3)	Not given	O, O 99.6(1,4,0) O, N 80.4(1) ^c	248

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[Cu(μ -ocidac)(H ₂ O)]· H ₂ O (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	9.70(2) 13.36(2) 6.42(2)		CuO ₂ N	μ ocidacO 1.95(1,4) 2.37(1,2) N 2.00(1) H ₂ O 1.91(1)	Not given	Not given	249
[Cu(μ -cpidac)(H ₂ O)]· H ₂ O (not given)	or Pbca 8	22.659(4) 7.5048(9) 15.156(3)		CuO ₂ N	μ cpidacO 1.936(4,37) N 2.058(5) H ₂ O 2.644(6)	Not given	O,O 90.2(2,6.7) 101.3(2) 171.9(2,4.0) O,N 84.0(2,3.2) ^c 90.5(2) ^e	250
Cu(μ -ccidac)(H ₂ O) (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	10.559(3) 8.715(2) 11.217(2)	111.85(3)	CuO ₂ N	μ ccidacO 1.968(3,5) 2.491(3,3) μ ccidacN 1.997(3) H ₂ O 1.924(2)	Not given	O,O 89.9(1,7.4) 102.2(1) 169.0(1,1.5) O,N 84.7(1,7) ^e 91.2(1) ^e 93.5(1)	251
Cu(μ -bsala)(H ₂ O) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	13.533(1) 7.908(1) 12.066(1)	111.04(1)	CuO ₂ N	μ O 1.945(2) 2.838(2) O 1.966(2) 2.648(2) N 1.968(2) H ₂ O 1.974(2)	Not given	O,O 50.87(7) ^d 77.2(7,2.7) 125.2(1,10.3) 169.57(8) O,N 90.0(1,6.2) 111.4(1,4.7) 161.2(9)	252
[Cu(μ -glu)(H ₂ O)]·H ₂ O (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	11.084 10.350 7.238		CuO ₂ N	O 1.974(—,7) 2.299(—) 2.588(—) N 1.998(—) H ₂ O 1.991(—)	Not given	Not given	253

Cu(μ -ox)(NH ₃) (pale blue)	or Pbca 8	11.19(1) 9.43(1) 8.38(1)	CuO ₂ N	O 1.996(6,15) μ O 2.376(6,16) H ₃ N 1.988(7)	Not given	O ₂ O 80.2(2,3,6) ^c 92.4(2,5) O ₂ N 92.5(3,4)	254
Cu(μ -3-ap)(μ -HCOO) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	8.569(1) 8.877(1) 8.370(1)	CuO ₃ N	ap μ O 1.942(3,4) μ apN 1.982(4) μ HCOO 1.996(3) 2.548(4) 2.693(4)	2.964(1) 4.622(1) 5.479(1) 99.5(1)	O ₂ O 86.0(1,7,5) 165.2(1) O ₂ N 95.3(2,5,6) ^a 174.3(2)	255
Cu ₂ (μ -1,1-NCO) ₂ - (μ -1,3-NCO) ₂ · (bpm) (blue)	m C2/c 4	19.846(1) 7.527(1) 15.252(1)	CuN ₃ O	bpmN 2.036(4,9) OCN μ N 1.961(4) μ OCN 2.456(7) μ NCO 1.919(4) 2.724(7)	Not given 93.1(2)	N ₂ N 88.8(2,8,5) 98.7(2,2,1) 169.0(2,2,5) O ₂ N 76.4(2,2,6) 94.0(2) 110.4(2) 162.8(1)	256
Cu(py) ₂ (μ -Br) ₂ (μ -Br) ₂ (not given)	tr C-1 2	17.902(21) 3.978(4) 10.776(16)	CuBr ₃ N	μ Br 2.412(4) 2.928(4) μ -Br 2.460(6,4) 3.331(4) pyN 1.996(27)	3.643(9) 95.5(2)	Br, Br 76.6(2) 88.4(2,5,2) 169.6(2) Br ₂ N 92.1(7,4) 174.7(6)	257
Cu(μ -F)(meppz) ₂ (pale green)	tr P-1 2	13.888(6) 6.671(3) 15.181(6)	CuF ₄ N ₂	μ F 1.916(2,1) 2.424(2,24) N 1.994(2,2)	3.312(2,18) 98.80(6,10)	F, F 83.7(1,5,0) N ₂ N 95.86(9) F ₂ N 88.50(8,1)	258
[Cu(μ -mpu)(H ₂ O) ₄]- SO ₄ · H ₂ O (blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	7.310(1) 13.117(1) 14.628(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ mpuN 2.049(2,19) H ₂ O 1.967(2,3) 2.384(—,1)	Not given	O ₂ O 89.99(7,2,08) 178.54(7,1,06) N ₂ N 179.70(7) O ₂ N 90.00(7,1,96)	259
[Cu(μ -pu)(H ₂ O) ₄]- SO ₄ · 2H ₂ O (blue)	or Pbca 8	11.912(5) 17.828(2) 12.673(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ puN 1.970(17,67) H ₂ O 2.015(28,0) 2.349(28,80)	Not given	O ₂ O 89.3(5,3,2) 176.8(5,1,1) O ₂ N 89.9(5,2,7) N ₂ N 178.0(5)	260

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[Cu(μ -H ₂ O)(H ₂ O) ₃ (mgu)] ₂ · SO ₄ ·2H ₂ O (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	11.8733(9) 6.8057(7) 28.4534(16)	103.423(7)	CuO ₄ N ₂	mguN 2.018(12,2) H ₂ O 1.992(12,21) 2.371(12) μ H ₂ O 2.704(12)	Not given	O,O 90.0(6,7,4) 176.0(6,5) O,N 90.1(6,3,6) N,N 176.5(6)	261
[Cu(μ -gmp) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₃] 5H ₂ O (green)	tr P1 1	11.289(2) 10.093(2) 11.831(2)	107.99(1) 114.40(1) 114.97(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ gmpN 2.032(7,20) μ gmpO 2.474(8) H ₂ O 1.966(4,4) 2.336(10)	Not given	O,O 90.0(2,5,0) 175.3(3,4,0) N,O 90.1(3,4,0) N,N 177.9(2)	262
Cu(μ -pzc) ₂ (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	5.0340(4) 15.3316(12) 7.0707(9)	106.627(9)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.93(1) 2.72(1) N 1.98(1)	3.53(1) 5.037(1)	O,O 92.7(2) O,N 84.5(2) ^c 87.5(2)	263
Cu(μ -pys) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ (blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	7.71(5) 11.00(5) 8.32(5)	97.0(5)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ pysN 2.034(16) μ pysO 2.347(13) H ₂ O 1.976(12)	Not given	O,O 88.2(5) O,N 92.1(5,6)	264
Cu(μ -suc)(bim) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ (blue)	m C2/c 4	12.9020(7) 13.0699(7) 10.5613(12)		CuO ₄ N ₂	μ sucO 1.966(1) H ₂ O 2.699(1) bimN 2.008(1)	Not given	O,O 83.16(3) O,N 88.44(6,19)	265
[Cu(μ - β -ala)(H ₂ O) ₂] 2H ₂ O (blue)	tr P-1 2	9.164(7) 10.000(7) 7.041(7)	99.89(9) 102.21(9) 91.42(9)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ alaO 2.015(3) 2.460(4) μ alaN 1.967(4) μ alaO 1.960(4) μ alaN 1.987(3) H ₂ O 2.596(4)	Not given	O,O 90.0(1,4,0) O,N 92.9(2) ^a 89.0(2,1,9) O,O 90.0(2,3,4) O,N 93.4(2) ^a 88.9(2,4,5)	266
[Cu(μ -oadp)(H ₂ O) ₂ · 2,2'-bpy]·H ₂ O (not given)	tr P-1 2	7.940(1) 12.622(2) 12.568(2)	107.29(1) 103.91(1) 109.78(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ oadpO 1.937(1,12) H ₂ O 2.594(2,4) bpyN 2.004(2,6)	Not given	O,O 91.7(1,5,1) O,N 90.0(2,6,0) 174.2(1,1,4) N,N 80.9(2) ^c	267

Cu(μ -SO ₄)(H ₂ O) ₂ (2,2'-bpy) (pale blue)	m C2/c 4	15.165(—) 12.361(—) 6.960(—)	106.01(—)	CuO ₄ N ₂	H ₂ O 1.975(7) μ O ₂ SO ₂ 2.44(1) bpyN 2.005(9)	6.99	O,O 90.2(4,5,6) 176.0(4) O,N 92.1(4,2,4) 171.5(4) N,N 80.9(5) ^c	268
Cu(μ -SO ₄)(H ₂ O) ₂ (phen) (not given)	m C2/c 4	14.883(8) 13.843(9) 7.019(4)	108.60(4)	CuO ₄ N ₂	H ₂ O 1.970(2) μ O ₂ SO ₂ 2.468(3) phenN 2.008(2)	7.23	O,O 89.8(1,4,4) 178.5(3) O,N 91.3(1,2,5) N,N 82.0(1) ^c	269
Cu(μ -SO ₄)(H ₂ O) ₂ (en) (not given)	m C2/c 4	7.233(1) 11.273(3) 10.485(3)	116.13(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	H ₂ O 1.976(2) μ O ₂ SO ₂ 2.497(2) enN 1.990(2)	7.23	O,O 88.7(1,1,9) 175.90(1) O,N 89.5(1,2,4) 173.63(2) N,N 86.43(2) ^c	270
Cu(μ -SO ₄)(μ -ba) (green)	or Pben —	18.681(4) 9.167(3) 19.111(5)		CuO ₄ N	μ baO 2.27(2) 2.90(2) μ baN 2.00(2,0) μ O ₂ SO 1.95(2,1)	4.172(4) 6.008(5)	O,O 95.8(8,4,5) O,N 90.3(8,5,5) 167.4(8,2,8) N,N 81.2(8) ^c	271
Cu(μ -H ₂ O)(ala) ₂ (deep blue)	m C2/c 4	12.087(3) 9.583(3) 8.973(3)	110.85(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.958(2) N 1.976(3) μ H ₂ O 2.684(2)	4.487(2) 113.4(1)	O,O 89.22(7) O,N 83.35(9) ^c 93.20(7)	272
Cu ₂ (μ -H ₂ O)(μ -dtac)- (NO ₂) ₂ (blue)	m C2/c 4	14.789(6) 14.560(6) 12.759(9)	99.65(4)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ O 1.929(3,4) ONO 2.532(6) μ H ₂ O 2.995(2) N 2.029(5)	3.031(1) 103.6(2) 76.4(2)	O,O 88.0(2,7,9) 169.0(2) O,N 93.4(2,6,3) 172.7(2,1) N,N 90.5(3) ^c	273
Cu(μ -H ₂ O)(gly) ₂ - (4-Mepy) ₂ (pale blue)	m C2/c 4	19.089(10) 15.891(5) 10.883(3)	100.45(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	glyO 1.929(4) μ H ₂ O 2.755(1) MepyN 1.977(5)	Not given	O,O 86.2(2) O,N 88.1(2,1,6)	274
Cu(μ -H ₂ O)(HCOO) ₂ (bim) ₂ (blue)	m C2/c 4	12.94(4) 12.70(4) 10.40(2)	96.0(3)	CuO ₄ N ₂	HCOO 1.997(5) bimN 2.017(6) μ H ₂ O 2.625(2)	Not given 164.2(5)	O,O 78.8(2) O,N 85.8(2,1,6)	275

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		a [Å]	b [Å]	c [Å]		α [°]	β [°]	γ [°]			
[Cu(μ-H ₂ O)(ac) ₂ (4-tl)] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (not given)	m C2/c 4	26.04 9.24 9.45			CuO ₄ N ₂	acO 1.97(6) μH ₂ O 2.59(3) tlN 2.052(5)	Not given 131.1(3)	O,O 83.2(2) O,N 92.4(2,5,5)		276	
Cu(μ-ta)(H ₂ O) ₂ (en) (dark blue)	m P2/c 2	5.726(1) 8.806(2) 12.866(4)			CuO ₄ N ₂	H ₂ O 2.644(3) μtaO 1.961(3) 3.083(3) enN 2.008(3)	5.7263(1) 11.1673(6)	O,O 87.0(1,3) 102.5(1) 170.9(1) O,N 88.9(1,4,5) 169.7(1) N,N 84.9(1) ^c		277	
[Cu(μ-ttac)(ttac)(H ₂ O)]· 2H ₂ O (blue)	m Cc 4	35.222(9) 6.126(4) 15.986(7)			CuO ₄ N ₂	μttacN 2.093(25) μttacO 1.991(19) 2.498(20) ttacN 2.062(37) ttacO 1.838(22) H ₂ O 2.491(20)	Not given	O,O 63.4(13) 115.0(9) O,N 83.5(12,1,9) ^e 96.2(12,2,8) N,N 179.4(17)		278	
[Cu(μ-ida)(imH)(MeOH)]· 0.37H ₂ O (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.649(5) 7.772(4) 9.856(2)			CuO ₄ N ₂	imN 1.940(7) μidaN 1.977(7) μidacO 1.983(7,4) 2.453(9,15) MeHO 2.468(9)	Not given	O,O 90.2(3,8,2) 169.4(3,4,7) O,N 83.8(3,4) ^c 92.1(3,5,3) N,N 176.6(4)		279	
Cu(μ-ox)(Me ₂ en)(H ₂ O) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	6.855(3) 10.230(5) 14.287(7)			CuO ₄ N ₂	μoxO 1.966(5,18) 2.710(7) H ₂ O 2.450(6) Me ₂ enN 2.005(6,8)	Not given	O,O 94.1(2,7,2) 167.6(2) O,N 79.9(2,1,0) 92.2(2,5,0) N,N 86.4(2) ^c		280	

[Cu ₂ (μ-famp)(μ-1,1-OCN)]· (ClO ₄) ₂ (dark green)	m P2 ₁ 2	8.987(3) 14.774(4) 9.664(1)	90.71(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	fampμO 1.945(7,28) fampμN 1.956(9,63) μNCO 1.980(7,14) μClO ₄ O 2.604(9,80) 2.747(9,27)	2.977(2)	O ₂ O 80.9(3,1.0) O ₂ N 91.2(3,2) ^e 104.5(3,3) N ₂ N 83.7(3,1.0) ^e	281
[Cu(dpya)(dtbseq)(μ-ClO ₄)]· 0.5thf (green)	tr P-1 4	14.794(4) 19.513(4) 9.766(2)	90.74(2) 105.37(2) 93.79(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	dtbseqO 1.957(5,23) μClO ₄ O 2.434(10,14) 2.741(8,54) dpyaN 1.977(6,17)	Not given	O ₂ O 82.9(2,4) ^e O ₂ N 92.5(2,8) 169.3(2,5,7) N ₂ N 92.2(3,5) ^e	282
[Cu(ac)(dpya)(μ-ClO ₄)]· 4H ₂ O (dark green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.309(3) 16.363(4) 13.646(4)	103.085(3)	CuO ₄ N ₂	acO 2.019(3,27) μClO ₄ O 2.541(4) 2.638(4) dpyaN 1.947(3,7)	Not given	O ₂ O 64.7(1) ^d 82.6(1,6,1) O ₂ N 97.5(1,9,9) 163.5(1,1,7) N ₂ N 94.9(1) ^e	283
Cu(μ-NO ₃)(oba)(4-Mepy) (green)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	7.145(4) 11.431(6) 20.068(7)	87.08(4)	CuO ₄ N ₂	obaO 1.966(5,78) obaN 1.946(6) μNO ₃ O 2.580(5) 2.772(5) MepyN 2.013(5)	Not given	O ₂ O 175.1(2) O ₂ N 83.2(2) ^e 93.4(2) ^e 91.8(2,2) N ₂ N 173.3(3)	284
Cu ₂ (μ-NO ₃) ₂ (NO ₃) ₂ (μ-bpym) (blue)	m C2/c 8	19.314(3) 7.914(1) 15.060(2)	137.4(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	NO ₃ O 1.952(4) 2.547(2) NO ₃ μO 1.965(3) 2.300(2) bpymN 2.010(4,2)	3.418(1) 106.3(1)	O ₂ O 55.1(1) ^d 86.5(1,3,5) 134.7(1) O ₂ N 95.2(2,4,5) 115.3(1,10,9) 175.8(1,2,4) N ₂ N 82.7(2) ^e	285
[Cu(μ-NO ₃) ₂ (pm)] ₂ ·H ₂ O (green)	tr P-1 2	14.248(2) 8.568(1) 9.319(1)	94.08(1) 89.73(1) 99.13(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μO 2.507(3,42) pmO 1.974(3,4) pmN 1.984(3,6)	4.284	O ₂ O 88.7(1,3,8) O ₂ N 92.4(1,2) ^e 91.8(1,4)	286
Cu(μ-NO ₃)(NO ₃)(MeCN) ₂ (deep blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	8.81(2) 7.56(2) 14.73(3)	94(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	NO ₃ O 1.89(4) 2.50(1) μNO ₃ O 2.02(4) 2.31(4) MeCN 1.92(6,1)	Not given	O ₂ O 86(1) O ₂ N 92(2,9)	287

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Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-NO}_2)_2(\mu\text{-Me}_3\text{-NCH}_2\text{COO})_2(\mu\text{-1,1-N}_3)_2]$ (deep green)	m C2/c 4	19.958(6) 9.103(2) 13.180(1)	120.00(2)	CuO_4N_2	O 1.978(4,19) $\mu\text{NO}_2\text{O}$ 2.432(4,14) $\mu\text{N}_3\text{N}$ 1.988(4,4)	3.436(1) 119.5(2)	O,O 87.1(2,6) 105.8(2) 167.7(3) O,N 90.0(2,3.1) 167.9(1) N,N 95.5(2)	288
$\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pr})(\text{NO}_3)_2$ (not given)	or Pnma 2	6.712(1) 5.142(1) 11.732(2)		CuO_4N_2	NO_3O 2.010(4) 2.490(5) μprN 1.984(4)	Not given	O,O 56.11(17) ^d O,N 90	289
$[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-ox})(2,2'\text{-bpy})] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (violet)	tr P-1 2	9.673(3) 8.940(3) 9.103(3)	105.718(3) 110.347(3) 97.539(3)	CuO_4N_2	μoxO 1.988(4,4) 2.320(4,1) bptN 2.007(4,5)	Not given	O,O 77.7(2,3) ^e 88.8(2,2.8) 159.5(1) O,N 94.4(2,5) 101.0(2,2.1) 174.7(1,1.0) N,N 80.9(2) ^e	290
$[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-ox})(2,2'\text{-bpy})] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (blue)	tr P-1 2	9.110(1) 9.675(1) 8.922(1)	97.54(1) 105.80(1) 110.26(1)	CuO_4N_2	μoxO 1.988(2,5) 2.313(2,1) bpyN 2.005(2,7)	Not given	O,O 77.7(1,2) ^e 88.7(1,3.0) O,N 96.7(1,6.3) 174.6(1,1.0) N,N 80.72(6) ^e	291
$[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ox})_2(\mu\text{-bprm})] \cdot 5\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (green)	m C2/m 2	9.445(2) 16.622(3) 6.202(1)	101.4(1)	CuO_4N_2	μoxO 2.081(3,5) μbprmN 2.129(3)	5.406(1) 11.022(2)	O,O 79.7(1) ^e 95.3(1,7) 173.8(1) O,N 93.3(1,3.7) 164.9(1)	292
$[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-ox})_2(\text{NH}_3)_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (not given)	tr P-1 1	6.293(5) 5.781(8) 5.539(5)	77.53(6) 100.59(9) 104.11(7)	CuO_4N_2	μoxO 2.147(19) H_3N 2.327(18) 1.960(19)	Not given	O,O 76.0(6) ^e 97.0(8,7.0) 180.0	293

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Cu(μ -o-pht)(NH ₃) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	6.64(1) 19.91(1) 7.55(1)	109.9(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ phtO 1.971(5) 2.799(5) pht μ O 1.988(5) 2.313(5) H ₃ N 1.995(8,2)	3.260(2)	O ₁ N 89.6(8,5) N ₁ N 180.0 O ₁ O 86.5(2) O ₁ N 89.8(2,1.9) N ₁ N 94.0(3)	294
[Cu(μ -purp)] ₂ · 5H ₂ O (not given)	or Fddd 8	24.610(8) 24.859(9) 8.0119(3)		CuO ₄ N ₂	μ purpO 2.421(6) N 1.931(9)	Not given	O ₁ O 83.0(2) 103.2(2) 153.4(2) O ₁ N 76.7(7) ^c 103.3(2)	295
[Cu(μ -abz)] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	8.3(—) 20.0(—) 5.15(—)	107.7(—)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ abzO 1.96(—) 2.67(—) μ abzN 1.98(—)	Not given	O ₁ N 90.0(—,3.6)	296
[Cu(μ -pmm)] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (dark green)	or Pbca 4	10.982(1) 13.918(1) 12.095(1)		CuO ₄ N ₂	μ pmmO 1.951(2) 2.688(3) μ pmmN 1.995(3)	Not given	O ₁ O 86.2(2) O ₁ N 92.1(1) ^c 86.7(2)	286
Cu(μ -ams) ₂ (azure blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	7.064(3) 7.668(3) 7.256(3)	88.1(5)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.995(2) 2.506(2) N 1.999(2)	Not given	O ₁ O 92.2(1) O ₁ N 88.2(1,5) ^c	297
Cu(μ -met) ₂ (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.487(5) 5.061(3) 15.563(8)	92.46(3)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.957(8,13) 2.676(8) 2.751(7) N 1.99(1,2)	5.338(2)	O ₁ O 90.0(3,5,0) 176.7(4,3,0) O ₁ N 84.0(4,3) ^c 93.3(4,7,6) N ₁ N 175.0(3)	298
[Cu(μ -pyac)] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (blue)	m Pc 4	12.23(5) 7.27(1) 18.00(9)	114.0(3)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ O 1.945(11,23) 2.68(—,9) N 1.948(17,2) 2.056(16,24)	Not given	O ₁ N 89.8(5,2,2) ^c	299

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Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	<i>a</i> [Å]			α [°]	Chromophore	<i>Cu-L</i> [Å]	<i>Cu-Cu</i> [Å] <i>Cu-L-Cu</i> [°]	<i>L-Cu-L</i> [°]	Ref.
		<i>b</i> [Å]	<i>c</i> [Å]	β [°]						
Cu(μ -(L)-leucine) ₂ (blue)	m	9.725(4)			105.79(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.960(3)	Not given	O,O 90.0(1,2,9)	300
	P2 ₁ 2	5.127(1)					2.629(4)		176.9(8,29)	
Cu(μ -(DL)-abut) ₂ (blue)	m	11.138(6)			92.15(6)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.947(2)	Not given	O,O 90.00(8,3,82)	300
	P2 ₁ /c 2	5.066(1)					2.758(3)		91.9(2,7,6) N,N 174.6(2)	
Cu(μ -pys) ₂ (green)	m	7.587(2)			114.08(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.957(1)	Not given	O,O 85.39(6)	301
	P2 ₁ /c 2	10.106(3)					2.580(2)		O,N 85.22(6) ^e 93.25(6)	
Cu(μ -phala) ₂ (light blue)	m	16.710(14)			98.40(6)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.953(4,6)	Not given	O,N 84.4(2,5) ^f	302
	P2 ₁ 2	5.217(9)					2.635(4,56)		N,N 180	
Cu(μ -dpcop) ₂ (light green)	m	10.588(2)			90.32(3)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.953(7,5)	Not given	O,O 87.9(3,6) ^e	303
	P2 ₁ /c 2	13.395(3)					N 1.995(4,5)		O,N 92.5(4,2,8)	
Cu(μ - γ -abut) ₂ (blue)	m	7.097(2)			107.56(4)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.982(3)	Not given	O,O 54.7(1) ^d	304
	P2 ₁ /c 2	9.693(1)					2.641(4)		O,N 86.0(2,2,2)	
[Cu(μ - γ -abut)] ₂ ·2H ₂ O (violet)	m	5.206(1)			109.20(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.959(6)	Not given	O,O 51.8(2) ^d	304
	P2 ₁ /c 2	14.406(3)					2.796(6)		O,N 92.3(2,1,7)	
Cu(μ -o-abnz) ₂ (dark green)	m	12.95(1)			93.3(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.973(5)	Not given	O,O 89.4(2)	305
	P2 ₁ /c 2	5.25(1)					2.415(5)		O,N 87.1(2) ^e 93.8(2)	

Cu(μ -L-ala) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.24(4) 5.505(2) 9.59(9)	95.2(3)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.97(2.1) 2.80(5,10) N 2.02(1.1)	Not given	O,N 87°	306
Cu(μ -D-ala) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.153(2) 5.052(5) 9.500(2)	94.64(2)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.949(7.1) 2.72(1) 2.86(1) N 1.986(9.5)	Not given	O,O 179.3(3) O,N 84.2(3,1) ^c 95.8(3,6) N,N 175.8(3)	307
Cu(μ -mcys) ₂ (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	13.265(8) 5.036(3) 9.571(6)	97.55(2)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.944(6.8) 2.716(7,13) N 1.988(8.3)	Not given	O,O 90.0(3,2,6) 178.1(4,1,3) O,N 84.8(3,3) ^c 91.7(3,7,0) N,N 176.3(3)	308
Cu(μ -L-asp) ₂ (royal blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	5.028(1) 18.928(4) 6.174(1)	96.4(1)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.951(22.4) 2.529(20) 2.774(25) N 2.020(28,16)	Not given	O,O 90.0(8,3,5) 175.9(10,6) O,N 84.6(9,2,3) ^c 90.0(9,3,7)	309
Cu(μ -hpbx) ₂ (light brown)	m C2/c 4	24.171(4) 3.7609(3) 21.553(3)	98.85(2)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.937(10) 2.812(9) N 2.016(11)	3.761(—)	O,N 89.2(4) ^c	310
Cu(μ -ekim) ₂ (green)	m P2 ₁ 2	11.939(3) 10.884(2) 11.459(2)	113.76(2)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.92(1,8) 2.53(1,0) N 2.05(1,1)	Not given	O,O 90.9(6,2,8) 176.6(6) O,N 87.6(6,7,6) N,N 175.6(6)	311
[Cu(μ -pyac)] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	12.196 7.259 18.045	114.05	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.942(2,8) 2.676(2,14) N 1.998(2,6)	Not given	O,N 90.0(1,1) ^c	312
{Cu(μ -abx)] ₂ · 2H ₂ O (violet)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	8.550(2) 20.068(3) 5.145(1)	106.85(2)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.967(5) 2.768(6) N 1.994(6)	Not given	O,O 51.8(2) ^d O,N 87.9(2,1,1)	313
[Cu(μ -trisH)] ₂ · 5H ₂ O (violet)	m P2/n 2	12.926(7) 10.116(3) 6.368(3)	95.8(4)	Cu ₄ N ₂	O 1.937(5) 2.887 N 1.991(7)	Not given	O,N 85.3(3) ^c	314

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		<i>b</i> [Å]	<i>c</i> [Å]							
[Cu(μ -viol) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂] · 2H ₂ O (violet)	tr	12.66(1)			102.5(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	H ₂ O 2.06(1)	Not given	O,O 89(—) O,N 78(—) ^c	315
	P-1	15.146(5)			111.9(1)		O 2.21(1)			
[Cu(μ -suc)(em)] ₂ ·4H ₂ O (not given)	m	6.36(1)			93.4(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ sucO 1.98(3,10)	Not given	O,O 55.2(1,9) ^d 88.7(1,4,0) 131.3(1)	316
	P2 ₁ /c	15.803(6)			112.58(4)		2.622(3,32)			
	4	7.129(2)					enN 2.028(4,32)			
Cu(μ -glu)(Me ₄ N) (not given)	or	8.631(5)				CuO ₄ N ₂	μ gluO 1.965(7,24)	Not given	O,O 56.7(3,1,2) ^d 92.2(3,1,8) 137.8(3)	317
	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	10.438(7)					Me ₄ enN 2.045(9,5)			
[Cu(μ -3,3'-didp)- (2,2'-bpy)] ₂ ·2H ₂ O (blue)	m	9.686(4)			102.0(2)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ didpO 1.948(3,14)	3.348(3)	O,O 51.3(1) ^e 77.5(1)	169
	P2 ₁ /n 4	9.409(3)					2.231(4)			
		21.231(4)					bpyN 1.992(4,4)	128.5(1)	O,N 85.9(1)	
[Cu(μ -L-hprol)] ₂ · 4H ₂ O (blue)	m	10.209(6)			100.33(4)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.949(5,7)	Not given	O,O 93.1(2,7,8) 169.8(3) 85.1(2,1) ^e 87.0(2,3,6)	318
	P2 ₁	8.071(3)					2.612(6)			
	2	9.698(3)					2.831(6)			

[Cu(μ -D-alopro)] ₂ · 2.5H ₂ O (blue)	or P2,2,2 ₁ 8	8.678(5) 17.737(4) 18.686(7)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.929(7.3) 2.801(9.4) N 1.978(9.1)	Not given	173.0(1,1.1) N,N 97.2(2)	318
[Cu(μ -ee)] · 4H ₂ O (blue)	or P2,2,2 ₁ 4	10.070(1) 18.832(2) 9.425(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	O 1.973(4,37) 2.334(3) N 2.088(4) 2.485(4)	Not given	O ₁ O 85.0(2,3.6) 95.6(1,4.3) 102.1(1,6) 177.1(2) O ₁ N 74.8(2,3) ^c 82.7(2) 103.1(1,5.4) 142.9(1) 168.7(2) N,N 80.7(1) ^c	319
Cu(hfacac) ₂ (μ -ted) (yellow green)	or Pnm 2	16.148 8.428 7.743	CuO ₄ N ₂	hfacacO 1.956(5,2) μ tedN 2.566(7)	Not given	O ₁ O 91.9(2) ^c	320
Cu(hfacac) ₂ (μ -pr) ₂ (green)	tr P-1 1	11.228(6) 6.821(4) 6.742(7)	CuO ₄ N ₂	hfacacO 1.964(7,40) μ prN 2.529(9)	Not given	O ₁ O 92.4(3) ^c O ₁ N 90.0(3,5)	321
Cu(μ -gly)(μ -ser) (not given)	m Pb 2	8.71(2) 9.64(1) 5.08(1)	CuO ₄ N ₂	μ glyO 1.95(1) 2.70(—) μ serO 1.92(1) 2.77(1) μ serN 2.03(1,2)	Not given	Not given	322
[Cu ₂ (μ -sal)(amp)] ₂ · 4PropOH (green)	tr P-1 1	10.085(7) 8.663(4) 13.522(8)	CuO ₄ N ₂ CuO ₄	ampO 2.010(3) ampN 1.968(3) μ salO 2.654(4) μ salO 1.902(3,1)	Not given	O ₁ O 91.8(1) O ₁ N 82.8(1) ^c 99.0(1) O ₁ O 93.8(1) ^c	323

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[Cu ₂ (μ -tac)Cl ₂] MeOH (black)	m	16.711(3)		CuO ₄ N ₂	tac μ O 1.899(5)	4.627(2,24)	O,O 84.3(3,5,5) 95.8(3,5,0) 172.9(2,4,4)	324
	P2 ₁ /n 4	9.671(2) 15.829(3)	111.00(2)		μtacN 2.061(8,5)			
Cu(μ -L-prl)(MeOH)Cl (pale blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	9.038(3) 5.980(1) 8.567(2)	101.62(2)	CuO ₄ Cl ₂	μtacO 1.979(6,5)	Not given	O,O 54.4(2) ^d 87.2(2,5,9) 144.1(2) O,N 83.8(2) ^e 106.0(2,4,5) 155.8(2) O,Cl 93.5(2,7) 101.8(1) 176.2(2)	133
					2.275(5)			
					tac μ O 2.739(6)			
					Cl 2.208(4,6)			
[Cu ₂ (μ -tedia)(H ₂ O) ₂] 3H ₂ O (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	9.646(4) 14.264(5) 14.724(5)		CuO ₄ NS	O 1.964(5,32)	5.180(1) 136.38(5)	O,O 88.7(14,7,2) 103.09(14) 165.20(13)	325
					N 2.015(4)			

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		b [Å]	c [Å]	β [°]	γ [°]								
Cu ₂ (μ -px) ₂ (px) ₂ (μ -Cl) ₂ Cl ₂ (not given)	tr	9.660(2)		81.57(3)				CuCl ₄	Cl 2.220(—,32) μ Cl 2.724	3.553(—)	Not given	330	
	P-1	9.920(2)		86.10(4)				CuO ₄ Cl ₂	μ pxO 1.875(9) pxO 1.980(9)		O,O 90.3(4) ^a O,Cl 91.9(3,4,5)		
	2	5.8342(3)		115.25(2)				CuCl ₄ O ₂	μ Cl 2.860(3) μ Cl 2.320(3) Cl 2.322(4) μ pyxO 2.545(9)		Cl,Cl 89.7(1) Cl,O 88.8(2,5,4)		
[Cu ₃ (tmsO)(μ_3 -Br) ₂ - (μ -Br) ₂ Br ₂] (black)	tr	8.448(2)		65.42(1)				CuO ₄ Br ₂	tmsO 1.941(5,2) μ_3 Br 3.063(1,0)	Not given	O,O 90.0(2,2) O,Br 88.3(2,2,0)	328	
	P-1	9.630(2)		71.59(2)				CuBr ₄	μ_3 Br 2.447(2) μ Br 2.341(1) 2.410(1) Br 2.316(1)	91.1(1) 112.4(1)	Br,Br 97.0(1,8,1) 134.9(1) 142.0(1)		
	1	11.655(2)		73.52(1)									
Cu(5-ppzH) ₄ (μ -SiF ₆) (light blue)	tr	5.531(7)		121.69(5)				CuN ₄ F ₂	ppzHN 1.997(5,5) μ SiF ₆ F 2.251(3,0)	Not given	N,N 90.8(2) N,F 91.0(2,8)	331	
	P-1	12.211(5)		99.30(4)									
	2	12.140(7)		101.73(3)									
[Cu(2,2'-bpy) ₂ (μ -BF ₄)] BF ₄ (not given)	tr	11.275(4)		96.44(3)				CuN ₄ F ₂	ppzHN 2.002(5,8) μ SiF ₆ F 2.245(3,0)	Not given	N,N 89.7(2) N,F 90.3(2,9)	332	
	P-1	14.760(5)		101.63(4)				CuN ₄ F ₂	bpyN 1.986(4,38) μ BF ₄ F 2.560(5) 2.656(5)	Not given	N,N 82.0(1,2) ^c 102.8(1,1,0) 156.6(1,3,1)		
	2	7.366(3)		110.25(4)									
Cu(im) ₄ (μ -SO ₄) (violet)	m	9.224(1)		93.473(4)				CuN ₄ O ₂	imN 2.011(5,11) 2.843(5,40) μ SO ₄ O 2.574(4)	Not given	N,N 90.0(2,1,6) O,N 86.1(2,9)	333	
	C2/c 4	17.626(1) 10.552(1)											

Cu(NH ₃) ₄ (μ-SeO ₄) (deep blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	10.3128(4) 10.2590(3) 7.4046(3)	104.431(3)	Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	H ₃ N 2.005(9,13) μSeO ₄ O 2.451(8) 2.607(7)	Not given	N,N 90.0(3,1,4) 176.6(3,3,4) O,O 177.2(2) N,O 90.0(3,2,7)	334
Cu(NH ₃) ₂ (μ-NO ₃) ₂ (deep blue)	or Pnmm 8	10.840(2) 23.693(4) 6.902(2)		Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	H ₃ N 2.019(5,11) μNO ₃ O 2.544(5,27)	Not given	N,N 90.8(2,3,4) N,O 90.0(1,6,2) O,O 173.9(2) N,N 90.8(2,3,1) N,O 82.9(2,3,4) 97.2(2,2,8)	335
Cu(Me-en) ₂ (μ-NO ₃) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	7.426(4) 8.547(7) 13.144(12)	105.52(4)	Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	H ₃ N 2.016(5,4) μNO ₃ O 2.547(5) 2.706(7)	Not given	O,O 171.0(2) N,N 85.3(2) ^c N,O 89.4(2,4,6)	336
[Cu(en) ₂ (μ-NO ₃) ₂ SeCN] (purple blue)	m Pc 4	9.254(3) 14.018(3) 9.720(5)	99.20(5)	Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	enN 1.966(21,21) 2.068(25,31) μNO ₃ O 2.461(15,54) 2.716(20,54)	Not given	N,N 85.2(9,8) ^c 92.4(9,8) 175.2(9,3,4) O,O 171.1(7,3,8) N,O 90.0(6,10,5)	337
Cu(1,2-pn) ₂ (μ-Cr ₂ O ₇) (yellow brown)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	8.986(4) 10.398(5) 8.421(3)	102.66(4)	Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	pnN 1.96(7) 2.23(5)	Not given	N,N 85(2) ^c O,N 91(2,5)	338
[Cu(2,2'-bpy) ₂ (μ-ClO ₄)]· ClO ₄ (not given)	tr P-1 2	11.238(4) 14.863(5) 7.403(3)	96.28(3) 99.49(4) 110.21(4)	Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	μCr ₂ O ₇ O 2.62(5,0) bpyN 1.993(4,12) μClO ₄ O 2.512(5) 2.746(5)	Not given	N,N 81.8(2,1) ^c 102.8(2,8) 156.8(2,5)	332
[Cu(2,2'-bpy) ₂ (ClO ₄)]· ClO ₄ (not given)	tr P-1 2	7.44(1) 14.93(1) 15.32(1)	136.3(1) 103.7(1) 83.2(1)	Cu ₄ N ₄ O ₂	bpyN 1.99(2,2) μClO ₄ O 2.45(2) 2.73(2)	Not given	N,N 82.7(8,1,1) ^c 102.2(8,1) 156.1(8,5,1) O,N 76.4(7,9) 88.0(7,10,0) 114.0(7,3,3) O,O 156.2(6)	339

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		a [Å]	b [Å]	c [Å]	α [°]	β [°]	γ [°]					
Cu(hist) ₂ (μ -ClO ₄) ₂ (violet)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	8.235(6) 13.676(9) 8.084(6)	100.5(5)	CuN ₄ O ₂	histN 2.018(9,3) μ ClO ₄ O 2.617(12,0)	Not given	N,N 91.3(4) ^a O,N 88.8(4,2,2)	340				
Cu(mictactd)(μ -ClO ₄) ₂ (blue)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	13.896(7) 13.890(6) 9.911(1)		CuN ₄ O ₂	N 1.99(1,5) μ ClO ₄ O 2.64(1) 2.71(2)	Not given	N,N 85.2(5,4) ^a 95.1(5,60) ^a 174.6(5,1,0)	341				
{[Cu ₃ (μ -im) ₂ (im) ₄ (ClO ₄) ₂] (μ -ClO ₄) ₂] (dark violet)	m P2 ₁ /a 2	16.664(5) 15.524(5) 9.226(1)	94.68(5)	CuN ₄ O ₂	imN 2.009(6) μ imN 1.975(6) μ ClO ₄ O 2.755(6) imN 1.988(7,3) μ imN 1.976(6) ClO ₄ O 2.581(8) 2.930(7)	Not given	N,N 90.1(3,6) O,N 89.9(3,7) N,N 90.6(3,2,7) O,N 90.0(3,11,1) O,O 169.9(3)	342				
[Cu ₂ (μ -4,4'-bpy)(trien) ₂ · (μ -ClO ₄) ₂]·2ClO ₄ (purple)	or Pbca 4	11.189(2) 14.414(2) 16.213(2)		CuN ₄ O ₂	trienN 2.003(8,10) μ bpyN 2.008(6) μ ClO ₄ O 2.660(13) 2.876(12)	7.283(2) 11.106(2)	N,N 84.6(3,1) ^a 95.4(3,9) 172.8(3,6,3) N,O 85.2(4,6,6) 103.4(4,3,4) O,O 165.2(4)	343				
Cu(2,2'-bpy)(μ -4,4'-bpy)- (ClO ₄) ₂ (dark blue)	or Pbcn 4	12.413(3) 14.645(3) 12.287(2)		CuN ₄ O ₂	bpyN 1.922(4) μ bpyN 2.017(4) ClO ₄ O 2.516(7)	Not given	N,N 82.6(2) ^a 95.9(2) 169.4(2) O,N 90.0(2,7,4) O,O 174.6(2)	344				
Cu(2,2'-bpy) ₂ (μ -tt) (blue)	or Pbcn 4	10.29(2) 13.05(2) 16.38(2)		CuN ₄ O ₂	bpyN 1.99(1,1) μ ttO 2.82(1,0)	Not given	Not given	345				

Cu(2,2'-bpy) ₂ (μ-tet) (royal blue)	or Pbcn 4	11.260(10) 12.839(10) 16.170(11)	Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₂	bpyN 1.990(6,5) μtetO 2.627(6)	Not given	N,N 82.2(3) ^c 103.2(3,7)	346
Cu(en) ₂ (μ-dds) ₂ (purple)	tr P-1 1	5.608(1) 8.247(1) 21.381(3)	Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₂	enN 2.007(2,1) μddsO 2.517(2,0)	Not given	N,N 84.9(1) ^c N,O 89.0(1,2,3)	347
[Cu ₂ (μ-dddo) ₂ (MeOH)] (ClO ₄) ₂ (red)	tr P-1 4	6.897(3) 12.023(4) 22.646(7)	Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₂	μdddoN 1.948(5,13) μdddoO 2.493(4) MeHO 2.624(10)	5.122(4)	N,N 81.1(2,5) ^c 96.7(2) 100.2(2,4,8) O,N 87.0(3,4,8) 99.0(2,2,6) O,O 173.7(2) N,N 80.9(2,5) ^c 96.8(2) 100.5(2) ^c O,N 87.1(3,4,8) 99.1(2,2,5) O,O 173.4(3)	348
Cu(μ-pzn) ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂ (not given)	m C2/m 2	14.123(4) 9.781(2) 8.984(2)	Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₂	μpzN 2.062(3) ClO ₄ O 2.373(12)	7.012	N,N 90.0(2,8) 180.0(3) O,N 89.2(2) O,O 180.0(3)	349
Cu(μ-pzn) ₂ (ms) ₂ (pale blue)	or Pnmm 2	8.199(1) 13.130(1) 6.913(1)	Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₂	μpzN 2.058(2) 2.692(2) msO 1.956(1)	Not given	N,N 90 180 O,N 78.92(5) 90 O,O 180	350
[Cu(μ-th) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂ (light blue)	m P2 ₁ /a 4	9.850(1) 15.437(2) 11.780(2)	Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₂	N 2.054(6,22) 2.233(6) 2.350(5) O 2.008(4,4)	Not given	N,N 91.8(2) 164.4(2,1,7) O,N 75.7(2) ^c 89.6(2,3,0) 104.7(2) O,O 178.0(2)	351

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Cu(2-OH-1,3-pn) ₂ (μ -ta) (not given)	tr P-1 1	6.681(6) 7.182(4) 9.648(5)	104.74(5) 84.74(6) 91.45(6)	CuN ₄ O ₂	pnN 2.045(7,14) μ taO 2.482(7,0)	Not given	N,N 89.0(3) ^c	352
Cu(μ -OHqu) ₂ (μ -teb) (black)	tr P-1 1	7.37(1) 7.70(1) 14.29(2)	98.9(1) 96.3(1) 97.3(1)	CuN ₄ O ₂	quN 1.96(1,1) quO 1.90(1,1) μ tebN 2.95(1)	Not given	N,O 85.0(7) ^c	353
Cu(μ -4-dtmp)(NCS) (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	11.592(2) 8.271(3) 10.327(2)	93.75(5)	CuN ₄ O ₂	SCN 2.178(9) μ dtmpN 2.024(8,43) μ dtmpO 2.032(6) 2.630(7)	Not given	N,N 84.5(3,6) ^c 101.3(3,8,6) 164.6(3) O,N 91.7(3,7,3) 153.3(3,3) O,O 54.5(2) ^d N,N 81.5(2,5) ^c 117.3(2) 159.3(2,1,2) O,N 86.4(2,3,0) 104.9(2,1,5) O,O 163.5(2)	138
Cu(μ -bmpcb) (dark green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	10.44(3) 14.57(4) 11.76(2)	104.1(2)	CuN ₄ O ₂	N 2.006(7,79) O 2.693(6) 2.798(6)	Not given	N,N 81.5(2,5) ^c 117.3(2) 159.3(2,1,2) O,N 86.4(2,3,0) 104.9(2,1,5) O,O 163.5(2)	354
Cu(μ -tp)Cl ₂ (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	9.546(1) 8.958(1) 8.082(1)	107.32(1)	CuN ₄ Cl ₂	μ tpN 2.021(4) 2.692(4) Cl 2.297(1)	8.406	N,N 89.3(1) N,Cl 93.6(1,1,9)	229
[Cu(acim) ₂ (μ -Cl)]Cl· 2H ₂ O (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	9.727(2) 10.463(2) 18.022(3)	114.83(1)	CuN ₄ Cl ₂	acimN 2.029(5,17) μ Cl 2.856(2,0)	Not given	N,N 91.1(2) ^c N,Cl 92.2(1,2,4)	355
				CuN ₄ Cl ₂	acimN 2.026(4,16) μ Cl 2.875(2,0)		N,N 90.8(2) ^c N,Cl 87.6(1,3,6)	

[Cu ₂ (μ-bis(trien))(μ-Cl)] ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂ (deep blue)	m P2 ₁ /m 2	11.811(2) 11.352(2) 11.358(2)	99.11(3)	Cu ₂ Cl ₂	N 2.05(1,4) μCl 2.48(1) 3.31(1)	6.138(2) 157.0(2,2,3)	N,N 84.0(4,4) ^c 101.8(4) 157.7(5,6,5)	356
								N ₂ Cl 100.2(5,8,2) N,N 85.7(3) ^c 94.3(3,4) ^a 178.9(3)
Cu ₂ (cy)(μ-Cl) ₂ Cl ₂ (dark brown)	or Pmm 4	8.370(2) 12.804(2) 16.791(2)	Cu ₂ Cl ₂	cyN 2.012(8,6) μCl 2.854(2,2)	Not given	N,N 85.7(3) ^c 94.3(3,4) ^a 178.9(3)	357	
							Cl ₂ N 90.0(2,3,3) Cl ₂ Cl 177.6(1) Cl ₂ Cl 100.7(1,8) 129.1(1,3,3)	
[Cu(μ-cim) ₂](ClO ₄) ₂ (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	12.264(3) 8.529(3) 15.947(4)	94.45(2)	CuCl ₄	Cl 2.253(3) μCl 2.236(4,1)	N,N 91.7(2) S,N 78.8(1) ^c 93.2(1)	358	
							N 2.004(5,32) S 2.700(1,0)	
[Cu(μ-cim) ₂](NO ₃) ₂ (brown)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	11.597(3) 10.555(1) 12.256(1)	97.07(1)	CuN ₄ S ₂	N 1.942(2) 2.558(2) S 2.419(1)	N,N 88.7(1) N,S 79.3(1) ^c 84.9(1)	359	
							N 1.991(3,10) S 2.910(1,0)	
[Cu(μ-cim) ₂](SO ₄) 9H ₂ O (green)	m C2/c 4	25.417(4) 13.905(2) 10.677(2)	97.61(1)	CuN ₄ S ₂	N 1.991(3,10) S 2.910(1,0)	N,N 89.0(1) N,S 77.4(1) ^c 87.3(1)	360	
							emN 2.03(1,1) S 3.04(1,5)	
[Cu(en) ₂ (μ-(EtO) ₂ PS ₂)] (NCS) (violet)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	8.529(1) 19.247(6) 13.696(3)	122.67(1)	CuN ₄ S ₂	emN 2.03(1,1) S 3.04(1,5)	N,N 85.9(-,3) ^c 87.3(1)	361	
							emN 2.13(3,1) μ ₃ SCN 2.00(2,1) NCSμ ₃ S 3.05(2,6)	
Cu(en)(μ ₃ -NCS)(NCS) (light blue)	or Pn2 ₁ a 8	24.51(8) 6.018(1) 12.413(3)	CuN ₄ S ₂	emN 2.14(2,0) SCN 2.03(3,2) μ ₃ NCμ ₃ S 3.05(2,4)	Not given	N,N 83.7(1,0) ^c 92.0(1,0,4,8) 172.1(1,9,3) N,S 90.2(2,2,4,4) S,S 176.5(3) N,N 82.1(9) ^c 92.1(1,0,1,7) 169.3(20,1,0) N,S 91.0(17,10,4) S,S 170.1(3)	362	

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		α [°]	β [°]	γ [°]								
Cu(4-Brpy) ₂ (μ -NCS) ₂ (dark green)	tr	8.568(3)	9.200(3)	10.809(5)	72.64(3)	86.15(3)	80.14(3)	CuN ₄ S ₂	BrpyN 2.044(20,41) μ SCN 1.954(20,5) μ NCS 3.068(10,10)	Not given	N,N 90.0(8,3.8) 175.9(8,2) N,S 90.1(7,2.9) S,S 177.8(4) N,N 90.0(8,3.3) 174.1(9,2.8) N,S 90.0(8,9.0) S,S 178.6(4)	363
	P1							CuN ₄ S ₂	BrpyN 1.979(20,60) μ SCN 2.036(10,0) μ NCS 2.991(10,80)			
	2											
Cu(4-Mepy) ₂ (μ -NCS) ₂ (dark green)	m	9.808(6)	26.752(10)	9.927(4)	107.89(4)			CuN ₄ S ₂	MepyN 2.021(8,18) μ SCN 1.948(8,9) μ NCS 3.117(4,8)	Not given	N,N 90.1(4,2.6) 175.9(4,1) N,S 90.0(3,5.0) S,S 173.6(2) N,N 90.0(4,8) 179.0(4,1) N,S 90.0(3,2.4) S,S 177.8(1) N,N 90.0(4,2) 177.2(4,2) N,S 89.1(3,7.6) S,S 171.6(2)	364
	P2 ₁							CuN ₄ S ₂	MepyN 2.064(8,10) μ SCN 1.936(8,3) μ NCS 2.987(4,19)			
	6											
Cu(4-Mepy) ₂ (μ -NCS) ₂ (green (at 180 K))	m	9.63(1)	26.53(2)	9.84(2)	106.40(7)			CuN ₄ S ₂	MepyN 2.023(8,1) μ SCN 1.963(9,11) μ NCS 2.977(4) 3.528(4)	Not given	N,N 175.7(7,1.7) N,S 86.8(5)	365
	P2 ₁							CuN ₄ S ₂	MepyN 2.01(1,2) μ SCN 1.92(1,3) μ NCS 3.06(1,5)		N,N 179.2(8,7) S,S 177.8(1)	
	6							CuN ₄ S ₂	MepyN 2.05(1,0) μ SCN 1.94(2,1) μ NCS 2.94(1,2) MepyN 2.00(1,2) μ SCN 1.93(1,3) μ NCS 3.21(1,5)		N,N 176.4(8,1) S,S 171.9(1)	

Cu(bpm)(μ -NCS) ₂ (dark green)	m C2/c 4	11.543(1) 13.948(2) 7.818(1)	93.26(1)	CuN ₄ S ₂	bpmN 2.009(6) μ SCN 1.941(6) μ NCS 3.174(2)	5.328(2)	N,N 89.3(2,8.8) 162.6(2) N,S 82.2(2,1.9) 97.8(2,8) S,S 178.3(2)	256
Cu(bpm)(μ -NCS) ₂ (blue green) (at 153 K)	m C2/c 4	11.403(2) 13.943(3) 7.722(2)	93.93(2)	CuN ₄ S ₂	bimN 2.004(2) μ SCN 1.939(2) μ NCS 3.121(1)	Not given	N,N 80.6(1) ^c 94.6(1,2) 163.1(1) N,S 82.3(1,20) 97.6(1,1.2) S,S 178.9(1)	366
Cu ₂ (μ -bpm)(μ -NCS) ₄ (blue green) (at 153 K)	or Fddd 16	12.676(2) 22.171(3) 24.490(3)		CuN ₄ S ₂	μ bimN 2.053(2,6) μ SCN 1.933(3,0) μ NCS 2.916(1,10)	Not given	N,N 81.0(1,1) ^c 93.0(1,2.1) 173.4(1) N,S 89.5(1,7.4) S,S 168.8(1)	366
Cu ₂ (μ -NCS) ₄ (μ -bpm) ₂ (blue green)	or Fddd 16	12.811(1) 22.473(1) 24.259(1)		CuN ₄ S ₂	μ bpmN 2.052(5) μ SCN 1.921(5) μ NCS 2.497(1)	5.430(2)	N,N 90.0(2,9.2) 173.3(2) N,S 85.9(2,2.2) 93.7(2,3.2) S,S 169.2(1) N,N 90.0(3,9.7) 172.5(2)	256
Cu(NH ₃) ₄ (μ -I ₄) (not given)	m C2/m 2	14.172(4) 8.926(2) 6.558(2)	128.65(2)	CuN ₄ I ₂	H ₃ N 2.013(5,0) μ I ₄ 3.224(1,0)	Not given	N,N 86.2(1,2.1) 93.4(4,3.3) S,S 170.0(4) N,N 90.00(20,4) 180.0 N,I 90.00(9,6.1) I,I 180.0	367
Cu(den)(μ -NCS)(μ -ClO ₄) (blue)	tr P-1 2	11.81(2) 7.48(2) 7.48(2)	70.9(3) 89.7(3) 105.4(3)	CuN ₄ OS	denN 2.02(1,1) μ SCN 1.95(1) μ NCS 2.76(4) μ ClO ₄ O 2.90(2)	5.51	N,N 84.3(2,2) ^c 95.1(2,1.0)	368

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		a [Å]	b [Å]	c [Å]	α [°]	β [°]	γ [°]					
Cu ₂ (chd)(thf) ₂ (μ -Cl) ₄ (brown)	m	16.561(3)	13.217(2)	13.290(3)	134.05(1)			CuCl ₄ O ₂	μ Cl 2.288(2,0) 2.726(2,0) chdO 1.996(4,0)	3.525(2) 94.5(1,4,6)	Cl,Cl 79.8(1) 99.9(1,9) 179.7(1) Cl ₂ O 90.1(2,1,7) 168.6(1) O ₂ O 81.9(2) ^c Cl,Cl 90.0(1,6) 180.0(1,0) Cl ₂ O 90.0(1,6,6) O ₂ O 180.0(2)	369
	C2/c 4							CuCl ₄ O ₂	μ Cl 2.240(2,0) 2.350(2,0) thfO 2.719(4,0)	Not given 93.7(1,2,4)	Cl,Cl 86.33(1) 96.66(1) Cl ₂ O 90.00(4,1,04) Cl,Cl 86.44(1) 93.56(1) Cl ₂ O 93.00(3,15)	370
	(Me ₃ NH)[Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ (H ₂ O) ₂ Cl] (green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.5066(8) 7.8873(5) 16.758(1)	91.914(9)				CuCl ₄ O ₂	μ Cl 2.270(5) 2.9087(5) H ₂ O 1.971(1) μ Cl 2.3060(5) 2.7530(5) H ₂ O 2.005(1)	3.209(6) Cl 83.9(2,2,9) O 79.7(3)	Cl,Cl 87.6(2,7,2) 104.1(2,4,4) 177.5(2) Cl ₂ O 72.2(2,5,2) 88.6(3,4,2) 92.8(3) 112.5(2) 164.3(3,2,0) O ₂ O 88.0(4)	371
Cu(μ -tmso)(μ -Cl) ₂ (orange)	or Pbca —	13.844(10) 6.418(12) 17.480(16)					CuCl ₄ O ₂	μ Cl 2.254(2) 2.339(5) 2.663(5) tmso μ O 1.972(10) 2.209(11)	3.238(1) Cl 84.2(5,3,3) O 88.7(1,16)	Cl,Cl 79.06(5) 91.06(6,8,9) 103.88(7,3,63)	371	
	m P2 ₁ /c —	7.774(1) 13.557(3) 6.475(1)	103.83(1)				CuCl ₄ O ₂	μ Cl 2.343(2,17) 2.714(2) dmso μ O 1.959(4)				

Cu(C ₂ H ₆ O ₂) ₂ (μ-Cl) ₂ (light green)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	7.424(1) 10.939(5) 7.518(1)	95.666(9)	Cu ₂ Cl ₄ O ₂	μCl 2.234(1.2) 3.020(1.44) O 1.977(4.19)	3.704(1) 4.704(1)	Cl ₁ Cl 95.97(5) 170.03(3) Cl ₁ O 92.6(1.6) 170.8(1.1.4) O ₁ O 79.1(1) ^c	152	177.88(7) Cl ₁ O 72.22(9.5.95) 88.56(13.5.50) 94.06(13) 114.24(9) 164.50(14.1.26)
									2.901(4)
{Cu(μ-Cl)Cl} ₂ (μ-dio) ₂ (not given)	m C2/m 2	7.880(6) 12.045(14) 9.208(13)	106.45(2)	Cu ₂ Cl ₄ O ₂	μCl 2.296(3) dioμO 2.436(15)	3.120(3) 3.358(3) 89.6(2.4.1)	Cl ₁ Cl 93.7(2) Cl ₁ O 83.7(3)	372	Cl ₁ Cl 89.6(2.3.3) Cl ₁ O 95.1(3)
Cu(μ ₃ -Cl)Cl(oaoH) ₂ (dark green)	m P2 ₁ /m 2	7.804(7) 6.267(3) 8.414(7)	114.14(3)	Cu ₂ Cl ₄ N ₂	μ ₃ Cl 2.253(3) Cl 2.246(4) oaoHN 1.959(12.22)	3.972(2) 93.4(1) 86.6(1)	Cl ₁ Cl 97.2(1) Cl ₁ N 92.6(4.1.7) 170.3(4.1.7) N ₁ N 77.7(4) ^c	373	Cl ₁ Cl 92.84(6) N ₁ Cl 91.4(1.3.0) 175.8(1.3.0)
									Cl 2.286(2) μ ₃ Cl 2.301(2) 2.887(2) enN 2.014(5.4)
Cu(μ ₃ -Cl)Cl(en) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /m 2	8.219(2) 5.747(1) 6.776(1)	93.72(2)	Cu ₂ Cl ₄ N ₂	Cl 2.286(2) μ ₃ Cl 2.301(2) 2.887(2) enN 2.014(5.4)	Not given	Cl ₁ Cl 92.84(6) N ₁ Cl 91.4(1.3.0) 175.8(1.3.0)	374	Cl ₁ Cl 91.52(5) Cl ₁ N 90.4(1.0)
									μCl 2.299(2) 3.026(2) pyN 2.004(5)
Cu(py) ₂ (μ-Cl) ₂ (not given)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	16.967(3) 8.5596(4) 3.8479(7)	91.98(2)	Cu ₂ Cl ₄ N ₂	μCl 2.299(2) 3.026(2) pyN 2.004(5)	Not given	Cl ₁ Cl 91.52(5) Cl ₁ N 90.4(1.0)	375	Cl ₁ N 90.6(12.4) 89.0(4)
									μCl 2.35(1) 3.19(1) MepyN 2.07(3)
Cu(4-Mepy) ₂ (μ-Cl) ₂ (greenish blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	9.745(7) 3.392(4) 19.035(9)	111.8(2)	Cu ₂ Cl ₄ N ₂	μCl 2.35(1) 3.19(1) MepyN 2.07(3)	3.932(4) 89.0(4)	Cl ₁ N 90.6(12.4) 89.0(4)	376	

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Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (tz) ₂ (turquoise blue)	m	7.332(6)		CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ Cl 2.322(1)	3.853(4)	Cl,N 90.18(6,28)	377
	P2 ₁ /c 2	3.853(4) 17.493(17)	93.70(1)		tzN 1.990(2)	91.89(2)		
Cu(2,2'-bpy) $_2$ (μ -Cl) ₂ (not given)	tr	7.288(2)	55.36(3)	CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ Cl 2.267(1,0)	3.839(1,37)	Cl,Cl 94.24(3,6.0)	378
	P-1	9.640(2)	69.29(2)		3.071(1,36)		166.63(3)	
	2	9.771(2)	70.48(3)		bpyN 2.053(3,26)	Not given	N,Cl 87.87(8,5.95) 172.09(8,5.2)	
Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (dpg) (green)	or Pbcn 4	13.382(2) 19.925(4) 6.901(1)		CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ Cl 2.247(2)	3.649(—)	Cl,Cl 99.2(1)	379
	4	6.901(1)			2.904(2)	Not given	N,Cl 91.8(2) N,N 77.2(4) ^c	
Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (μ -pzn) (green)	m C2/m 2	11.971(3) 6.849(3) 3.701(3)	95.96(5)	CuCl ₄ N ₂	dpgN 1.997(7,0)	Not given	Not given	380
	2	3.701(3)			Not given			
Cu(pyzo)(μ -Cl) ₂ (green)	m C2/c 4	9.383(3) 12.429(3) 6.754(4)	128.48(5)	CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ Cl 2.300(1)	3.3785	Cl,Cl 94.9(1)	381
	4	6.754(4)			2.796(1)	Not given	N,Cl 90.0(1)	
Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (μ -1,2,4-trz) (pale green)	m I2/c 4	6.81 11.39 7.13	96.58	CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ pyzN 2.045(3)	Not given	Not given	382
	4	7.13			μ Cl 2.337(—)	Not given	N,Cl 86.0(—,3.6)	
Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (μ -am-1,2,4-trz) (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	8.700(1) 11.962(1) 7.034(1)	98.35(1)	CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ trzn 1.981(—)	Not given	Not given	383
	4	7.034(1)			Not given			
Cu ₂ (μ -Cl) $_4$ (μ -bpm) (green)	m C2/m 2	6.835(1) 13.321(2) 6.806(1)	90.54(2)	CuCl ₄ N ₂	μ Cl 2.252(1)	3.600(1)	Cl,Cl 95.0(1,4.4)	384
	2	6.806(1)			2.869(1)	5.528(2)	164.3(1)	
				μ bpmN 2.061(2)	Cl 88.5(1)	N,Cl 86.9(1,5.8) 172.1(1) N,N 80.1(1) ^c		

Cu(μ_3 -Cl)Cl(hist) (dark green)	tr P-1 2	8.592(3) 9.045(3) 5.893(2)	91.2(1) 98.7(1) 79.9(1)	CuCl ₄ N ₂	Cl 2.281(3) μ_3 Cl 2.337(3) 2.960(3,11) histN 1.998(9,17)	Not given	Cl,Cl 92.8(1,3,7) 169.4(1) Cl,N 87.3(3,6,6) 174.8(4,1,2) N,N 92.5(3) ^a	385
Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ (sc) (green blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	6.91(1) 8.30(1) 11.32(1)	117.1(2)	CuCl ₄ ON	μ Cl 2.900(5) 3.037(6) scO 1.97(1) scN 1.99(1)	Not given	Not given	386
Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ (sc) (blue)	or Pna2 ₁ 4	6.91(1) 8.30(1) 10.24(1)		CuCl ₄ ON	μ Cl 2.972(6) 3.144(6) scO 1.97(1) scN 1.99(1)	Not given	Not given	386
Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ (amp) (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	8.050(5) 10.930(6) 8.120(6)	92.20(6)	CuCl ₄ ON	μ Cl 2.260(1,13) 3.087(1,94) ampO 2.02(2,1) ampN 1.96(2,6)	Not given	Cl,Cl 93.8(1,4,2) 170.46(4) Cl,N 77.0(3,4,2) 90.0(3,5,0) 100.8(3) 167.9(1,7,3) Cl,O 76.4(1,6,0) 92.4(1,1,4) 166.1(1,5,6) N,O 82.5(1,6) ^c	387
Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ (L-his) (not given)	or P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	10.01(5) 5.944(6) 17.5469(7)		CuCl ₄ ON	μ Cl 2.274(4,20) hisO 1.98(1) hisN 1.98(1)	Not given	Cl,Cl 92.8(1) Cl,O 94.4(3) Cl,N 88.1(3) N,O 84.6(4) ^c	388
Cu(μ -Cl) ₂ (μ -Me ₂ NNO) (brown red)	or Pnam 4	6.376(3) 14.685(8) 7.265(6)		CuCl ₄ ON	μ Cl 2.289(4,0) μ Me ₂ NNO 2.09(1) μ Me ₂ NON 3.02(2)	3.206(3) 88.74(1)	Cl,Cl 89.60(1,3,54) 171.30(1) Cl,O 93.91(1,0) Cl,N 78.34(3,0) N,O 171.58(6)	389

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[Cu(μ -Cl) $_2$ (μ -amtzt)] H ₂ O (not given)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	10.205(1) 13.277(1) 7.206(1)	101.87(1)	CuCl ₄ NS	Not given	Not given	Not given	383
Cu(μ -ttcd) $_2$ Cl ₂ (red brown)	m C2/c 4	20.213(5) 8.521(5) 16.214(4)	116.29(3)	CuS ₄ Cl ₂	μ ttcdS 2.4474(9) 3.050(6) Cl 2.20594(8)	Not given	S,S 92.33(3) S,Cl 93.55(3,3.94)	390
Cu(py) $_2$ (μ -Br) $_2$ (brown)	m P2 ₁ /n 2	8.424(2) 17.599(9) 4.0504(8)	97.12(2)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	μ Br 2.451(1) 3.240(1) pyN 2.013(5)	Not given	Br,Br 90.36(2) Br,N 90.1(1,1)	375
Cu(2,2'-bpy) $_2$ (μ -Br) $_2$ (not given)	m C2/c —	16.966(4) 9.287(2) 7.490(2)	111.60(2)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	μ Br 2.410(1) 3.175(1) bpyN 2.030(6)	3.974(1)	Br,Br 93.23(6,5.09) Br,N 88.33(18,6.12) 173.87(18) N,N 80.22(36) ^c	378
Cu(μ -Br) $_2$ (μ -pz) (brown)	m C2/m 2	12.392(3) 6.859(2) 3.907(3)	96.23(5)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	μ Br 2.427(2) 3.034(2) μ pzn 2.030(15)	3.907(3)	Br,Br 89.4(3) N,Br 90.0	380
Cu ₂ (μ -Br) $_4$ (μ -bpm) (brown)	m C2/m 2	7.100(1) 13.504(2) 7.063(1)	90.69(4)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	μ Br 2.394(1) 3.018(1) μ bpmN 2.067(3)	3.749(1) 5.545(2) 86.9(1)	Br,Br 94.9(1,3,4) 163.4(1) Br,N 86.9(1,6,5) 172.9(1) N,N 80.1(1) ^c	384
Cu(amp) $_2$ (μ_3 -Br)Br (green)	m P2 ₁ /m 2	8.222(15) 6.372(13) 9.883(18)	116.3(1)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	Br 2.385(5) μ_3 Br 2.422(5) 3.260(6) ampN 2.007(9,4)	3.737(6) 80.77(4)	Br,Br 96.02(4,4,6) 155.5(1) Br,N 79.6(1) 89.3(5,8,7) 174.9(8,4,5) N,N 82.8(3) ^c	391

Cu(mdap)(μ_3 -Br)Br (green)	or Pnma 4	20.276(28) 6.208(3) 7.058(3)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	Br 2.426(4) μ_3 Br 2.435(2) 3.109(2) mdapN 2.017(9,1)	3.866(2) 87.56(3)	391
Cu(μ -Br) ₂ (acp) (blue)	or Pbca 8	8.861(7) 19.896(16) 11.269(9)	CuBr ₄ N ₂	μ Br 2.400(2,13) 3.637(3,68) acpN 2.005(6,16)	4.006(3)	392
[Cu(μ -dmhx)(glygly)]· 4H ₂ O (dark blue)	or P2 ₁ -2 ₁ 4	14.314(6) 7.741(2) 16.032(6)	CuO ₃ N ₃	glyO 1.992(2) glyN 1.957(3,57) μ dmhxN 1.977(3) dmhx μ O 2.769(2) 2.970(2)	Not given	393
Cu(μ -cyt)(glygly) (purple)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	10.695(4) 8.077(1) 14.756(7)	CuO ₃ N ₃	glyO 1.983(3) glyN 1.952(3,60) μ cytO 2.713(3) 2.819(3) μ cytN 1.979(3)	Not given	394
[Cu(μ -HCOO)(diem)]· (HCOO) (dark blue)	or Pnam 4	8.954 11.640 9.676	CuO ₃ N ₃	μ HCOO 2.030(7) HCOO μ O 2.614(7) 2.165(7) diemN 2.023(7,5)	Not given	395

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		a [Å]	b [Å]	c [Å]	α [°]	β [°]	γ [°]					
Cu(μ -oro)(NH ₃) ₂ (dark purple)	m	7.217(5)						CuO ₃ N ₃	μ oroO 1.962(3) 2.930(4)	Not given	O,O 96.7(1) N,O 82.5(1.1) ^c 92.4(1.4,4)	396
	P2 ₁ /n 4	7.617(5) 15.148(11)			100.73(6)				μ oroN 2.005(3) H ₃ N 1.978(3,18)		N ₁ N 90.4(1,1)	
[Cu ₂ (μ -C ₅ O ₅)(bpcal) ₂] 3H ₂ O (blue)	m	19.535(2)			97.485(8)			CuO ₃ N ₃	μ -C ₅ O ₅ O 1.961(2) 2.541(3,45) bpcalN 1.976(3,49)	5.935(1) 7.346(1)	O,O 79.0(1.3,1) ^c 157.93(8) N,O 85.7(1,3) 97.0(1,2,6) 107.6(1) 176.2(1)	397
	P2 ₁ /c 4	20.189(2) 7.5167(6)							μ -C ₅ O ₅ O 1.973(2) 2.474(3) μ O 2.932(3) bpcalN 1.969(3,35)		N ₁ N 82.2(1,2) ^c 164.2(1) O,O 77.9(9,5) ^c 155.70(8) N,O 86.1(1,1,0) 95.3(1,6,1) 117.3(1) 165.4(1)	
[Cu(μ -gb)(H ₂ O)] 0.5H ₂ O (blue)	tg	11.24(2)						CuO ₃ N ₃	O 2.007(6) 2.943(8) N 2.004(8,39) H ₂ O 2.458(9)	Not given	O,O 49.4(2) ^d 87.7(3)	398
	P4 ₃ 2 ₁ 8	17.84(4)									O,N 73.9(3) 91.8(4,5,9) 119.1(3,7,9) 175.7(3) N ₁ N 83.3(3) ^c 92.8(3) ^c 162.7(4)	

Cu ₂ (μ-ghg) ₂ (H ₂ O) (blue)	m C2 4	19.040(6) 6.943(4) 12.201(4)	CuO ₃ N ₃	O 1.996(3) 2.817(4) N 1.968(3,29) H ₂ O 2.784(4)	Not given	O ₁ O 51.1(1) ^d 88.2(1) 137.0(2) O ₁ N 77.2(2) 93.0(2,8,8) 134.9(2) 171.3(2) N ₁ N 82.9(1) ^e 93.5(1) ^e 168.2(2)	399
[Cu(μ-L-ala)(L-his)(H ₂ O)] · 3H ₂ O (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	10.980(4) 7.362(3) 9.700(2)	CuO ₃ N ₃	hisN 1.986(10,20) μalaN 1.981(10,20) μalaO 2.512(9) H ₂ O 2.864(9)	Not given	O ₁ O 93.2(3,2,4) 173.4(3) O ₁ N 82.6(4) ^e 89.4(4,6,2) 175.2(4) N ₁ N 92.8(4,1) ^e 169.6(4)	400
Cu(μ-L-ser)(L-his)(H ₂ O) (blue)	m P2 ₁ 2	11.046(2) 7.315(1) 9.737(1)	CuO ₃ N ₃	hisN 1.991(5,38) μserN 1.972(5,5) μserO 2.895(5) H ₂ O 2.447(6)	Not given	O ₁ O 91.6(2,4,3) 176.5(2) O ₁ N 83.5(2) ^e 89.5(2,6,6) 173.8(2) N ₁ N 92.9(2) ^e 168.7(2)	401
[Cu(μ-ac)(dpt)]ClO ₄ (blue)	or Pna2 ₁ 4	8.53(1) 18.50(2) 8.74(1)	CuO ₃ N ₃	μacO 2.02(2) μO 2.29(1) μO 2.74(1) dptN 2.00(2,8)	Not given 129.8(8)	O ₁ O 52.5(5) ^d 91.0(5) 142.1(5) O ₁ N 93.6(10,2,6) 84.1(7,4,2) 122.9(11) 170.8(8) N ₁ N 91.4(9,7,5) ^e 173.0(7)	402

TABLE III (Continued)

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å] b [Å] c [Å]	α [°] β [°] γ [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]	Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
[Cu(μ -ac)(dien)ClO ₄] (blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	10.138(5) 8.063(4) 15.536(10)	99.00(4)	CuO ₃ N ₃	μ acO 1.972(4) μ O 2.403(4) 2.646(4) dienN 1.976(5,7)	4.210(4)	O,O 54.7(2) ^d 95.5(2) 150.2(1) O,N 93.7(2,7,9) 110.1(2) 164.8(2) N ₁ N 85.1(2,1) ^e 166.3(2)	403
[Cu ₂ (μ - <i>ter</i>)(dien) <i>z</i>]- (ClO ₄) ₂ (dark blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 2	8.911(6) 8.022(5) 19.61(2)	90.2(1)	CuO ₃ N ₃	μ terO 1.982(5) 2.485(5) 2.760(5) dienN 2.012(7,32)	4.179(3) 11.006(5) 105.5(2)	O,O 53.0(2) ^d 98.8(2) O,N 91.0(3,8,1) 108.9(3,5,1) 166.7(3) N ₁ N 85.1(3,1,5) ^e 166.6(3)	404
Cu ₂ (μ -famp)(μ -1,1-N ₃)· (μ -ClO ₄) ₂ (dark green)	m P2 ₁ 2	8.973(3) 14.785(3) 9.650(1)	90.63(2)	CuO ₃ N ₃	famp μ O 1.946(9,13) N 1.95(1,6) μ N ₃ N 1.95(1,2) μ ClO ₄ O 2.60(1,9) 2.76(1,6)	2.993(2) O 100.5(3) N 99.7(3)	O,O 92.6(4,11,1) O,N 87.8(4,7,6) N,N 84.0(5,1) ^e 105.4(5,7)	281
Cu(μ -SO ₄)(H ₂ O)(im) ₃ (blue)	m P2 ₁ /n 4	14.239(1) 8.707(1) 11.717(1)	90.244(5)	CuO ₃ N ₃	H ₂ O 2.478(3) μ SO ₄ O 2.015(2) 2.578(2) imN 1.999(3,4)	Not given	O,O 90.6(1,1,5) 177.6(1) O,N 89.7(1,3,0) 176.7(1) N,N 90.7(1,8) 178.1(1)	405
[Cu(μ -NCS)(bheg)]· H ₂ O (blue)	m Cc 4	14.567(2) 6.970(1) 11.051(2)	93.67(1)	CuO ₃ N ₂ S	bhegO 1.98(1,0) 2.37(1) N 2.01(1)	Not given	O,O 93.6(4,5,8) 164.0(4) O,N 82.7(4,2,5) ^e	406

Cu(gly)(μ -Cl)(μ -MeOH) (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	5.192(3) 7.945(5) 16.51(1)	100.24(5)	CuO ₃ Cl ₂ N	glyO 1.964(4) 2.540(5) μ MeHO 1.958(4) glyN 1.951(5) μ Cl 2.249(2) 3.218(2)	Not given Cl 93.6(1)	96.65(2.1) O,S 85.7(3,1.6) 172.4(4) N,S 91.5(4,1.7) N,N 175.3(5)	174
{[Cu(μ -tampz) ₂ Cl](μ -Cl)}- Cl ₂ · 2.25H ₂ O (green blue)	or Immm 2	5.76(1) 8.415(1) 17.483(1)		CuN ₃ Cl ₃	μ tampzN 1.991(4,46) Cl 2.243(1) μ Cl 2.871(1,0)	5.563(1) 6.557(1) Cl 169.2(1)	N,N 81.6(1) ^c 163.2(1) Cl,N 90.7(1,7.7) 180.0(0) Cl,Cl 95.4(1) 169.2(1)	407
Cu(μ -I)(dien)I (dark blue)	or Pnm2 ₁ 2	8.837(2) 8.890(3) 6.658(1)		CuN ₃ I ₃	die N 2.014(7,16) I 2.585(1) μ I 3.348(1,23)	6.658(1) 1167.7(1)	N,N 83.9(2) ^c 167.8(5) I,N 78.2(6) 91.1(13,5.0) 177.0(7) I,I 96.2(3,3) 167.7(1)	408
[Cu(mcim)(μ -ClO ₄)]ClO ₄ (blue)	m P2 ₁ /c 4	11.698(3) 7.387(2) 23.670(4)	94.53(2)	CuN ₃ O ₃ S	mcimN 1.953(6,9) mcimS 2.353(2) μ ClO ₄ O 2.505(6) 2.805(7)	Not given	O,O 174.1(2) S,N 176.7(2) N,N 163.2(2)	358

TABLE III (Continued)

Compound (color)	Crystallographic classification space group Z	a [Å]			α [°]	Chromophore	Cu-L [Å]		Cu-Cu [Å] Cu-L-Cu [°]	L-Cu-L [°]	Ref.
		b [Å]	c [Å]	β [°]			γ [°]				
[Cu(μ-gaba(mpy) ₂) ₂ Br]· MeOH (blue)	pr P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 4	10.542(4) 12.197(7) 14.984(6)				CuN ₃ O ₂ Br	N 2.014(8,11) O 1.933(6) 2.770(7) Br 2.741(2)	Not given	O ₂ O 52.33(22) ^d O ₂ N 93.8(3.4,3) 117.72(26) 170.04(28) N ₂ N 81.3(3,2) ^e O ₂ Br 93.15(18) 145.45(14) N ₂ Br 96.0(2,1,0)	409	
Cu(μ-Et ₂ nia) ₂ Cl ₂ (not given)	tr P-1 —	10.453(5) 12.242(6) 15.476(7)			122.9(1) 116.9(1) 75.8(1)	CuO ₂ N ₂ Cl ₂	O 2.764(7,4) N 2.025(9,15) Cl 2.270(6,7)	Not given	Cl ₂ O 88.4(6,6) N ₂ O 91.6(6,0) 123(1) Cl ₂ N 91.0(6,7)	410	
[Cu(μ-bpydc)(μ-Cl) ₂] H ₂ O (green)	or Pbca 8	9.932(1) 17.560(2) 17.065(2)				CuO ₂ N ₂ Cl ₂	μbpydcN 2.020(2,13) μbpydcO 2.678(2) μCl 2.244(1) 3.117(1)	Not given	Cl ₂ N 80.5(1) ^e Cl ₂ N 95.1(1,1,5) 163.5(1,5) Cl ₂ Cl 93.2(1)	411	
Cu(μ-oth) ₂ Cl ₂ (green)	or Abma 4	10.86(1) 12.63(1) 9.64(1)				CuO ₂ Cl ₂ S ₂	Cl 2.254(3) μothS 2.372(2) μothO 2.618(6)	Not given	Cl ₂ Cl 180.0 Cl ₂ S 90.0 S ₂ O 90.1(4) Cl ₂ O 90.0	95	

^aWhere more than one chemically equivalent distance or angle is present the mean value is tabulated. The first number in parenthesis is e.s.d., the second is a maximum deviation from the mean value. ^bThe chemical identity of coordinated atom/ligand is specified in these columns. ^cFive-membered metallocyclic ring. ^dFour-membered metallocyclic ring. ^eSix-membered metallocyclic ring.

two coppers are surrounded by two molecules of water, which form a square-planar coordination. This coordination is completed to the elongated octahedral coordination most typical for Cu(II) atoms by two oxygen atoms from two different formate groups.

X-ray¹⁸⁵ and neutron diffraction¹⁸⁶ analysis of light blue $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-HCOO})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ show, that each Cu(II) atom is surrounded by four oxygen atoms of four different formate ions in an approximately square configuration and by two water molecules at a greater distance (Table III); green $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-HCOO})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2 \cdot \text{zurea}]^{187}$ is isostructural. The Cu(II) atom in a light blue complex¹⁸⁸ lies on a center of symmetry and is coordinated to six oxygen atoms in an octahedral-type configuration by pairs of water molecules, monodentate carboxylic groups and two carbonyl-O-of-peptide atoms. Diacetoamidopropionate anions bridge Cu(II) atoms, such that the structure consists of a two-dimensional (sheet-type) polymer. A blue complex¹⁸⁹ has a similar structure.¹⁸⁸

The structure of pale blue $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-alaH})(\mu\text{-H}_2\text{O})_2](\text{SO}_4)_2$,¹⁹⁰ Figure 8, shows a polymeric chain of Cu(II) atoms bridged by water molecules and by the carboxylate functions (syn-syn) of the alanine molecules, in its zwitterionic form.

There are four derivatives of general formula $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-L})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$; L = 2,6-dihydrobenzoate,¹⁹¹ ethylene glycol,¹⁹² 9,10-dihydro-9-oxo-10-acridineacetate,¹⁹³ or nicotinate-N-oxide¹⁹⁴ in which two L ligands serve as a bridge between *pseudo*-octahedral (CuO_6) units (Table III).

In another four derivatives of composition $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-L})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$, L = 3,6-dichloro-2,5-dihydroxy-1,4-benzoquinonate,¹⁹⁵ squarate,¹⁹⁶ *d*-tartrate¹⁹⁷ or *o*-phthalate¹⁹⁸ one four-oxygen donor ligand serves as a bridge and two

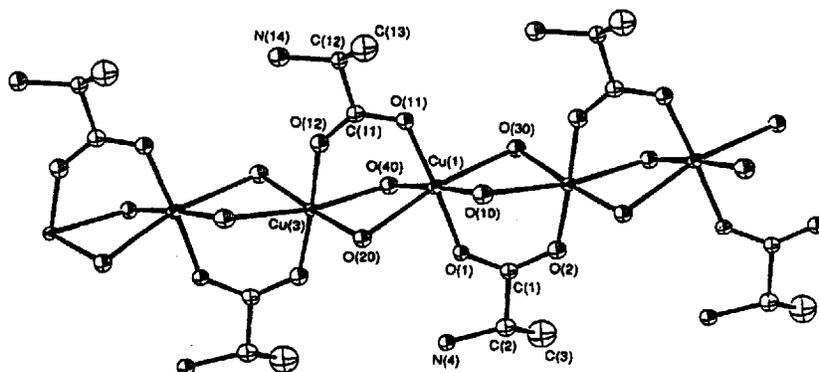


FIGURE 8 Structure of $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-alaH})(\mu\text{-H}_2\text{O})_2]_n^{4+}$.¹⁹⁰

water molecules complete a *pseudo*-octahedral environment about each Cu(II) atom.

A green derivative¹⁹⁹ contains square-planar $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-nac})_2]^{2-}$ units in which the nitro and carboxyl groups of the two chelate ligands are in *cis* positions. Two of the units form a centrosymmetric dimer with a four-membered CuOCu“O”-ring, the dimers being connected by exo-oxygens of the ligands into two-dimensional layers.

Another green derivative²⁰⁰ consists of flattened molecules arranged in stacks with a centrosymmetric CuO₆ elongated bipyramid formed around Cu(II) by four oxygen atoms from the carboxylate groups of furosemi-date and two from the methanol molecules. The carboxylate groups act as bridges between the Cu(II) atoms with two oxygens in the equatorial plane (Cu–O = 1.924(2) Å) and the other two in apical positions at 2.720(2) Å. The Cu–Cu separation of 4.749 Å excluded a metal–metal bond.

There are two derivatives^{201,202} in which *pseudo*-octahedrally-coordinated Cu(II) atoms (CuO₆) are held together by lactate or glycolate anions. A blue derivative²⁰³ contains two types of Cu(II) atoms, one at -1 and the other on the twofold axis, both with distorted octahedral coordination spheres. Each Cu(II) atom is bound to two bridged water molecules and four phthalate groups, and each phthalate group is bound to four Cu(II) atoms through three of its oxygen atoms. The result is a complex sheet polymer extending through the *b*–*c* plane.

Copper(II) atoms in a royal blue derivative²⁰⁴ are coordinated by four carboxy-oxygen atoms, two from the two ends of a chelating oxydiacetate ligand and one from each of two neighboring Cu{O(CH₂CO₂)} groups, with Cu–O = 1.941(9)–1.952(8) Å. Longer contacts to the ether oxygen of the chelating ligand (Cu–O = 2.488(8) Å) and to a statistically disordered water molecule (Cu–O = 2.73(21) Å) complete a (4 + 1 + 1) arrangement.

In another blue derivative²⁰⁵ the HCOO group in a *syn*–*syn* arrangement with the OH group bridge the neighboring Cu(II) atom, and in this way infinite zig-zag chains are formed along the *b*-axis. The chains are connected by the bonds of Cu(II) atoms and hydroxy groups, and the layers parallel to (100) are formed. In a turquoise derivative^{206–208} the HCOO groups act as bridges between Cu(II) atoms forming an infinite anti–anti chain through the crystal.

The Cu(II) atoms and the nitronate groups in the crystals of Cu(μ -Me₂-CNO₂)₂²⁰⁹ are bound to each other in such a way that the structure consists of chains of bis(propane-2-nitronato)copper(II) units. Each Cu(II) atom is coordinated in a distorted octahedral (4 + 1 + 1) manner to six oxygen atoms from four different propane-2-nitronate ions.

One of the most characteristic features of the $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-C}_{32}\text{H}_{54}\text{N}_2\text{O}_8)_2$ structure²¹⁰ is the different conformation of the two molecules in the cell. The coordination geometry about both Cu(II) atoms corresponds to a tetragonally-distorted octahedron with a pair of β -diketonate ligands and two monodentate-O-bonded nitrozy radicals belonging to other molecules. Significant parameters of the coordinated nitroxides include Cu–O 2.583(5) and 3.157(3) Å and Cu–O–N 158.5(4)° and 139.5(4)°.

There are three blue salts^{116,212} containing planar $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-ox})_2^{2-}$ ions in which the oxalate ions act as bidentate ligands. In each salt, the Cu(II) atoms complete their coordination sphere by formation of long Cu–O bonds to non-coordinated oxygen atoms of neighboring anions (Table III).

A pale green derivative²¹⁴ consists of one-dimensional polymeric chains in which two phosphinate groups form double bridges and a formamide oxygen atom forms a μ -O bridge between Cu(II) atoms. The intrachain Cu–Cu distance is 4.056(1) Å.

In green complexes^{215–217} *pseudo*-square-planar CuO_4 moieties, created by a pair of O,O'-chelating acetylacetonato ligands, are held together by bidentate, 1,4-dioxane molecules of 4-hydroxy-2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidinyln-oxy,²¹⁶ or 2,4,4,5,5-pentamethyl-1-oxyimidazoline-3-oxide²¹⁷ in a one-dimensional polymeric array.

In the infinite, left-bonded helical structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-acac})(\mu\text{-Cl}_3\text{ac})$,²¹⁸ each Cu(II) atom is surrounded by six oxygen atoms, two from a bidentate acetylacetonato ligand, two from separate trichloroacetato ligands which bridge to neighboring Cu(II) atoms in the spiral, and two atoms of ligands of neighboring Cu(II) atoms.

There are 15 derivatives^{45,220–233} where *pseudo*-octahedral environments about Cu(II) atoms are created by six nitrogen donor atoms (CuN_6) (Table III). In black brown crystals, $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2$,²²⁰ the CuN_6 octahedra are linked together by sharing edges to form double chains, which are then coupled by azide groups to form a three-dimensional network. In blue green $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(\text{NH}_3)_2$ ²²¹ and green $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(\text{py})_2$ ²²² the CuN_6 octahedra are linked to form chains by the sharing of corners. The structure of black $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(4\text{-Mepy})_2$ ²²³ is built up by oligomeric edge-sharing chains of polyhedra. In green $\text{Cu}(\text{N}_3)_2(\text{bpy})$ ²²⁴ each azide takes part in asymmetric bridging through a single nitrogen atom ($\mu(1,1)$) (Table III).

Three violet complexes^{225–227} which contain $[\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2(\mu\text{-NCS})]^+$ cations are isostructural. The isothiocyanate group forms a bridging unit between two $[\text{Cu}(\text{en})]^{2+}$ cations, giving infinite chain structures and complete a tetragonal bipyramidal arrangement about each Cu(II) atom (CuN_6). $\text{Cu}(\text{trz})_2(\text{NCS})_2$ ²²⁸ exhibits two-dimensional networks with 2,4-bridging triazole

molecules and NCS^- groups, acting as N donors on either side of the planes. The CuN_6 octahedra clearly show Jahn–Teller deformation with $\text{Cu–N}(\text{NCS})$ 1.984(3) Å; and $\text{Cu–N}(\text{trz})$ 2.002(5) and 2.477(3) Å bond distances.

X-ray analysis of dark green $\text{Cu}(\text{tp})(\text{NCS})_2$ ²²⁹ shows an essentially layered structure with the Cu(II) atom coordinated in a square-planar by two nitrogen atoms (*trans*) from the N_3 -coordinating tp ligand and by two NCS groups. The coordination is completed to octahedral by two nitrogen atoms from adjacent tp molecules which N_1 -coordinate axially to a Cu(II) atom, so that two-dimensional system parallel to each other is formed.

In black $\text{Cu}\{\mu\text{-C}(\text{CN})_3\}_2$ ²³⁰ Cu(II) is surrounded by a distorted octahedron of six CN groups belonging to six different molecules. The crystal structure is therefore polymeric consisting of planes of $\text{C}(\text{CN})_3^-$ ions intersecting at an angle of about 79° with Cu(II) atoms occupying *pseudo*-octahedral holes.

A blue derivative²³¹ consists of polymeric one-dimensional chains, formed from $[\text{Cu}(\text{pzH})_4]^{2+}$ cations linked by one bridging tricyanomethanide anion. The second tricyanomethanide anion is not bonded to this chain. The Cu(II) atom is *pseudo*-octahedrally coordinated by four pyrazole molecules in the equatorial plane (average Cu–N 1.994(6) Å) and axially by two N atoms from two symmetrically equivalent tricyanomethanide anions (Cu–N 2.373(7) and 2.500(7) Å).

There are 10 derivatives^{234–240} in which each Cu(II) atom is coordinated by six chlorine atoms (CuCl_6) with a different degree of distortion. The crystal structure²³⁴ of $[\text{CuCl}_4]^{2-}$ consists of corner-sharing octahedra which form layers in the *a–b* plane. Two of the four Cu–Cl distances (bridging) are relatively short (Cu–Cl 2.283(1) Å) and two are long (Cu–Cl 2.907(1) Å). The two axial bonds are short with a distance of 2.296(1) Å. At 100 K the two long Cu–Cl distances appear slightly shorter, whereas the four short ones appear longer, in accordance with a riding-atom model (Table III). Other derivatives^{236–240} also contain $[\text{CuCl}_4]^{2-}$ anions, which are isostructural with that described above²³⁴ (Table III).

Six bromine atoms, create a *pseudo*-octahedral arrangement about each Cu(II) in four derivatives.^{241–243} Three^{241,242} contain $[\text{CuBr}_4]^{2-}$ with a structure which consists of layers of square-planar $[\text{CuBr}_4]^{2-}$ anion linked together by semi-coordinate Cu–Br bonds with the latter completing the Jahn–Teller distortion. The structure is strictly isomorphous with the corresponding chloride salt.

A brownish violet derivative²⁴³ consists of the 2-amino-4-bromohydroxypyridinium cations, planar dibridged $\text{Cu}_2\text{Br}_6^{2-}$ dimers, and water molecules.

The dimers aggregate through the formation of semi-coordination Cu-Br bonds to form stacks parallel to the *a*-axis.

There are 11 blue^{244,245,247-255} and one green²⁴⁶ derivative in which a *pseudo*-octahedral arrangement around each Cu(II) atom is created by five oxygen donor atoms and one nitrogen donor atom (CuO₅N) (Table III). In Cu(pyvgly)(H₂O)₃²⁴⁴ the octahedral coordination is composed of the long bonds (Cu-OH₂ 2.451(10) and 2.616(10) Å), and of four short square bonds. The octahedrons in the unit cell are associated with each other by hydrogen bonds (average 2.73 Å).

The structure of [Cu(μ -Me₂cys)(H₂O)₃]2H₂O²⁴⁵ contains Cu(II) atoms linked by syn-anti carboxylate bridges to form zig-zag Cu-O-C-O chains parallel to *c*-axis. Each Cu(II) atom is tetragonally coordinated. Equatorial O₃N ligation is provided by the two carboxylate O atoms (1.949(3) and 1.957(3) Å) and the amino N atom (1.986(3) Å) of the tridentate β,β -dimethylcysteate ligand; and one water molecule (1.983(3) Å). Two additional water molecules form axial bonds with copper (2.471(3) and 2.572(5) Å) and complete the O₅N coordination.

There are three derivatives of composition Cu(μ -L)(H₂O)₂, L = N-oxyphenyliminodiacetate,²⁴⁶ iminodiacetate,²⁴⁷ or pyridine-2,6-dicarboxylate.²⁴⁸ The organic molecule acts as a tridentate O₂N ligand, with one of its O atoms in a bridging position so that the coordination polyhedra are joined in chains running parallel to the *a*-axis.

Five derivatives of general formula Cu(μ -L)(H₂O), L = β -oxyethylimino diacetate,²⁴⁹ N-(*o*-carboxyphenyl)iminodiacetate,²⁵⁰ N-(*o*-carboxyethyl)iminodiacetate,²⁵¹ N-benzenesulfonyl-DL-alaninate,²⁵² or glutamate²⁵³ contain tetragonal-elongated octahedral coordination of each Cu(II) atom (CuO₅N). Each ligand molecule links two Cu(II) atoms and each Cu(II) is bonded to two ligands. The related copper complexes share one oxygen atom, thus forming infinite polymeric zig-zag chains.

In the polymeric structure of Cu(μ -ox)(NH₃),²⁵⁴ one oxygen of an oxalate group functions as a bridge between two Cu(II) atoms. Each Cu(II) atom has a tetragonal-bipyramidal arrangement, CuO₅N. The blue crystals of Cu(ap)(HCOO)₂²⁵⁵ are centrosymmetric dialkoxo, bridged dimers (Cu-Cu = 2.964(1) Å). The dimers are polymerized along the *c*-axis into chains *via* two NH-O hydrogen bonds (Cu...Cu = 5.479(1) Å). These chains are joined along the *b*-axis by CuOCOCu bridges and NH...O hydrogen bonds (Cu...Cu = 4.622(1) Å) forming layers, which are held together by van der Waals forces.

The structure of blue Cu₂(bpm)(NCO)₄²⁵⁶ consists of a two-dimensional array of Cu(II) atoms bridged by bis-bidentate bpm ligands and end-to-end

cyanato groups. The Cu(II) atoms are in a distorted octahedral arrangement with a CuN_5O chromophore. Four nitrogen atoms, two from the bpm ligand and two from the cyanate groups, occupy the equatorial positions, whereas the axial positions have an oxygen and a nitrogen atom of other cyanate groups (Table III).

The structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu_3\text{-Br})_2(\mu\text{-Br})_2(\text{py})_2$ ²⁵⁷ consists of well-defined centrosymmetric dimers which stack on top of one another to form linear chains. Within each dimer, Cu–Br distances range from 2.412(4) to 2.464(6) Å while interdimer distances are 2.928(4) and 3.331(4) Å. The pyridine ring is not coplanar with the Cu_2Br_2 plane but is twisted at an angle of 54° from the dimer plane allowing efficient packing of the pyridine rings.

The structure of pale green $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-F})_2(\text{meppz})_2$ ²⁵⁸ is shown in Figure 9. The structure consists of Cu(II) atoms coordinated by two pyrazole nitrogen atoms and two fluoride ions in a distorted square-planar arrangement. The axial bonds, two fluoride ions of nearby Cu(II) atoms (related to the central

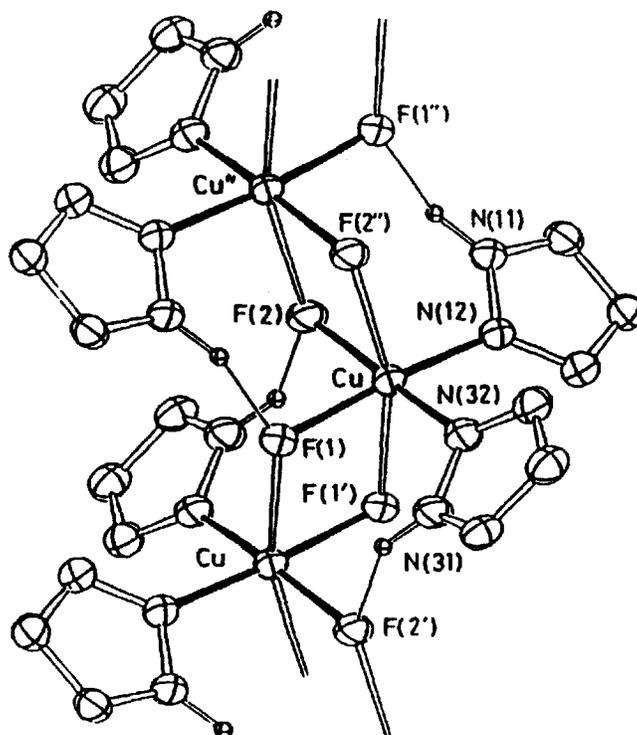


FIGURE 9 Structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-F})_2(\text{meppz})_2$.²⁵⁸

copper by an inversion center), have significantly longer Cu–F bond lengths. The zig-zag chains, consisting of two different CuF_2Cu units, are positioned along the *b*-axis, Cu–Cu distances are 3.330(2) and 3.294(2) Å. The polymeric structure is stabilized further by hydrogen bonding of the pyrazole N–H to fluoride ions of nearby Cu(II) atoms.

There are 70 derivatives^{169,259–324} (Table III) in which a distorted octahedral environment (mostly a tetragonal-bipyramid) is created by four oxygen and two nitrogen donor atoms, usually two O donor atoms occupying axial positions. The compounds are mostly blue or green, with some violet. Their polymeric structures are complex. For example, in two derivatives 9-methylpurine²⁵⁹ or, purine²⁶⁰ bind equatorially to Cu(II) through two atoms in two symmetry-related purine rings, thus producing polymeric chains. The other positions are occupied by water molecules.

In green $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-H}_2\text{O})(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3(\text{mgu})_2]\text{SO}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ²⁶¹ the six-coordinate Cu(II) atoms (CuO_4N_2) are linked in an infinite chain by one of the coordinated water molecules. Two 9-methylguanidine molecules, binding copper through N(7), are arranged in a syn configuration with a water molecule in the coordination sphere bridging to two carbonyl groups *via* hydrogen bonds.

A green derivative²⁶² consists of structural units of the type $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-gmp})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3$, which are linked into a polymeric chain by Cu–O bonds involving the ribose O of one of the two gmp group molecules.

There are three monoclinic derivatives of general formula $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-SO}_4)(\text{H}_2\text{O})(\text{L})$, L = bpy,²⁶⁸ phen²⁶⁹ or en²⁷⁰ which are isostructural. The *pseudo*-planar CuO_2N_2 units are bridged through the two axial coordination positions by sulfate groups: $\text{O} \cdot \text{SO}_2 \cdot \text{O}[\text{Cu}(\text{OH}_2)_2\text{L}]\text{O} \cdot \text{SO}_2 \cdot \text{O}$, *etc.* to give a linear polymeric array. The five-membered metallocyclic ring, opens in the order of L: 80.9(5)° (L = bpy) < 82.0(1)° (L = phen) < 86.43(2)° (L = en).

The structure of deep green $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-NO}_3)_2(\mu\text{-Me}_3\text{NCH}_2\text{COO})_2(\mu\text{-1,1-N}_3)_2$ ²⁸⁸ is shown in Figure 10. The structure contains Cu(II) atoms in two crystallographically and chemically different environments, as illustrated in Figure 10. Cu1, located at an inversion center in Wyckoff position 4(a), is *trans*-coordinated by two carboxy oxygens from different betaines, two azido nitrogens, and two nitrate oxygens in a distorted octahedral environment. The other Cu(2), lying on twofold axis in Wyckoff position 4(e), is also *trans*-coordinated. Every pair of adjacent copper atoms, separated by a non-bonded distance of 3.436(1) Å, are simultaneously bridged by an azido group, a nitrate group, and the carboxy group of a betaine ligand to build up a linear zig-zag polymeric chain running parallel to the *c*-axis.

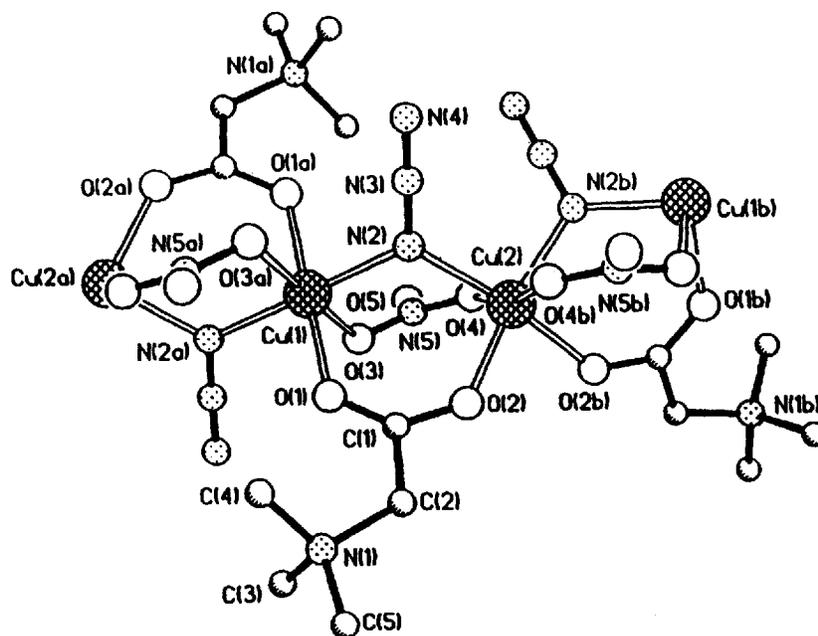


FIGURE 10 Structure of $\text{Cu}_2(\text{NO}_3)_2(\text{Me}_3\text{NCH}_2\text{COO})_2(\text{N}_3)_2$.²⁸⁸

There are several derivatives^{295–314,318} in which crystals are built up from *trans*- CuL_2 ($L = \text{tridentate O}_2\text{N}$) chelates associated in infinite layers (Table III).

In another three derivatives of composition $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-L}')(\text{L})$; $\mu\text{-L}' = \text{succinate}$,³¹⁶ *glutarate*³¹⁷ or *3,3'-dithiopropionate*;¹⁶⁹ and $L = \text{en}$, Me_4en or *bpy*, the $\mu\text{-L}'$ ions join the CuL^{2+} units in chains. Each $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atom is coordinated with four short bonds (O_2N_2) in nearly square-planar arrangements and two longer bonds (O_2) to complete a tetragonal bipyramidal arrangement (Table III).

A 12-membered heptadentate macrocycle³¹⁹ with two pendent acetato groups created a distorted octahedral environment about $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ (CuO_4N_2). One of the features of the structure is that one of the acetato groups is coordinated to two $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atoms forming a one-dimensional $-\text{Cu}-\text{O}-\text{C}-\text{O}-\text{Cu}-$ chain.

There are two green derivatives^{320,321} in which the $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ and two β -diketonates lie in a plane of symmetry, giving square-planar coordination about the $\text{Cu}(\text{II})$ atom (CuO_4). The fifth and sixth positions are occupied

by nitrogen atoms of 1,4-diazabicyclo[2,2,2]-octane(ted)³²⁰ or pyrazine (pz)³²¹ ligands. The ted³²⁰ or pz³²¹ molecule bridges two copper atoms.

A black derivative³²⁴ contains two non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms, one being coordinated symmetrically to pairs of N, the other O and carbonyl O atoms (CuO₄N₂) and the other to two Cl and four carbonyl atoms of neighboring ligands (CuO₄Cl₂), thus joining the molecules into chains parallel to (101).

In a pale blue derivative,¹³³ distorted octahedrally coordinated Cu(II) atoms (CuO₄NCl) are linked by bridged proline groups.

In another two blue derivatives^{325,326} a *pseudo*-octahedral environment about each Cu(II) atom is built up by four oxygen, one nitrogen and one sulfur donor atoms (CuO₄NS). The structure of [Cu₂(μ-tedta)(H₂O)₂]·3H₂O³²⁵ consists of dimeric units containing two independent Cu(II) atoms. The thioether S atom bridges the copper atoms. The crystal structure is held together by a combination of bridging carboxylate groups and an extended hydrogen-bond network. The Cu–Cu distances across these bridges are 5.387(1) and 5.629(1) Å compared to 5.189(1) Å across the thioether bridge.

In [Cu₂(μ-tbcmc)(H₂O)₂]·4H₂O³²⁶ one N and two O atoms (from the same bis(carboxymethyl)amino moiety) and one O atom (from one water molecule) approximately define the square base of a distorted octahedral environment for each Cu(II). The octahedron is achieved by longer *trans* axial bonds to one S atom (from a disulfide group) and to one O atom (from the adjacent ligand). Each ligand molecule chelates two Cu(II) atoms and is also bonded *via* a bidentate carboxylate group to two others, thus forming layers linked to each other by water in a hydrogen bonded network.

In a black violet derivative³²⁷ the (isopropylthio)acetato acts as a terdentate ligand, coordinating *via* one S, and one carboxylate O to a copper atom, and *via* the other O to another copper atom. The Cu(II) atom has a deformed octahedral coordination (CuO₄S₂), and the complexes are aligned to form a polymer chain parallel to the *c*-axis.

A red derivative³²⁸ consists of alternating chains of dimeric dibridged Cu₂Cl₆²⁻ anions (CuCl₄) and monomeric Cu(tmso)₄²⁺ cations (CuO₄Cl₂) extended along the *c*-axis.

In Cu(daca)₂(μ-Cl)Cl₃³²⁹ two non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms, one CuO₄Cl₂ and the other CuCl₄ are linked by a single chlorine atoms.

In another derivative³³⁰ two non-equivalent *pseudo*-octahedral units CuO₄Cl₂ and CuCl₄O₂ are linked by chlorine atoms. The Cu–Cu distance of 3.553 Å ruled out a direct metal–metal bond; black Cu₃(tmso)Br₆³²⁸ is isostructural with its chlorine analogue.³²⁸

There are two derivatives^{331,332} in which approximately planar CuN_4^{2+} units are linked by bridging SiF_6^{2-} ³³¹ or BF_4^- ³³² groups as axial ligands completing a tetragonal-bipyramidal arrangement (CuN_4F_2).

There are over 20 derivatives^{138,332-354} mostly blue or violet in which a *pseudo*-octahedral environment about Cu(II) is created by four N and two O donor atoms (CuN_4O_2). In the violet complex $\text{Cu}(\text{im})_4(\mu\text{-SO}_4)$ ³³³ four imidazole nitrogens create square-planar CuN_4^{2+} units which are linked together by SO_4^{2-} ions, forming symmetry-related chains; these chains form layers parallel to the *a-c* plane. A deep blue complex $\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4(\mu\text{-SeO}_4)$ ³³⁴ is isostructural with that of $\text{Cu}(\text{im})_4(\mu\text{-SO}_4)$ ³³³.

In another three blue derivatives³³⁵⁻³³⁷ nearly square-planar CuN_4^{2+} units are connected by NO_3^- ions as axial ligands, completing a tetragonal-bipyramidal environment about each Cu(II) atom (CuN_4O_2). In yellow brown $\text{Cu}(1,2\text{-pn})_2(\mu\text{-Cr}_2\text{O}_7)$ ³³⁸ the dichromate(VI) anions serve as a bridge between square-planar CuN_4^{2+} units.

The structure of $[\text{Cu}(\text{bpy})_2(\mu\text{-ClO}_4)]\text{ClO}_4$ was studied by two groups.^{332,339} The crystal is composed of infinite chains of $[\text{Cu}(\text{bpy})_2(\mu\text{-ClO}_4)]^+$ and ClO_4^- . A perchlorate ion in the chain bridges two adjacent Cu(II) atoms through its two oxygen atoms in axial positions. The coordination polyhedron around each Cu(II) atom is a tetragonal-distorted octahedron. In another two derivatives^{340,341} nearly square-planar CuN_4^{2+} units are also linked by perchlorate groups (Table III).

The structure of a dark violet derivative³⁴² is built up of trimeric units, consisting of distorted octahedral environments about each Cu(II) atom (CuN_4O_2) connected through two imidazolato bridges. Each unit is centrosymmetric around the central Cu(II) atom. The trimer units are linked through two perchlorate groups forming a chain running along the *c*-direction.

A purple derivative³⁴³ consists of μ -4,4'-bipyridine Cu(II) dimeric cations and perchlorate anions. Two of the perchlorate anions are not coordinated, whereas the other two link the dimeric units in a bis(monodentate) way, building one-dimensional chains of Cu(II) linked by 4,4'-bipyridine to form ladders. They are arranged in a three-dimensional network. The Cu(II) atom is in a 4 + 2 environment (CuN_4O_2) with O atoms in axial positions (Table III). The Cu-Cu distance through the 4,4'-bipyridine molecule, within a dimeric unit, is 11.106(2) Å, much longer than the Cu-Cu distance through a perchlorate anion between two dimeric units, which is 7.283(2) Å.

In a dark blue derivative³⁴⁴ only the 4,4'-bipyridine ligand bridges neighboring Cu(II) atoms forming polymeric chains along the *c*-axis in the crystal. Each Cu(II) atom has a 4 + 2 coordination (CuN_4O_2) with O atoms in axial positions.

In a blue derivative³⁴⁵ $[\text{Cu}(\text{bpy})_2]^{2+}$ units are linked by trithionate anions forming chains along (100). In this case, each Cu(II) atom also has a 4 + 2 coordination (CuN_4O_2) with O atoms of trithionate groups on axial positions. A royal blue complex $\text{Cu}(2,2'\text{-bpy})_2(\mu\text{-ted})$ ³⁴⁶ is isostructural with $\text{Cu}(2,2'\text{-bpy})_2(\mu\text{-tt})$.³⁴⁵ In purple $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2(\mu\text{-dda})_2$ ³⁴⁷ two O atoms of the dodecylsulfato ligands occupy axial positions about each Cu(II) atom. In addition to the Cu–O bond, there are two intramolecular hydrogen bonds from each dodecylsulfato ligand to the bis(ethylenediamine) Cu(II) moiety. The dodecyl chains are extended and form a highly ordered interdigitating structure.

A red derivative³⁴⁸ consists of perchlorate anions and infinite-chain $[\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-dddo})_2(\text{MeOH})]^{2+}$ cations. Each Cu(II) atom is coordinated to a tetradentate dddo ligand through four coplanar nitrogen atoms (Cu–N distances range from 1.937(5) to 1.961 Å), and each Cu(II) atom is also coordinated to an oxime oxygen of the adjacent unit (Cu–O distances of 2.491(4) and 2.493(4) Å) to form singly-bridged zig-zag chains.

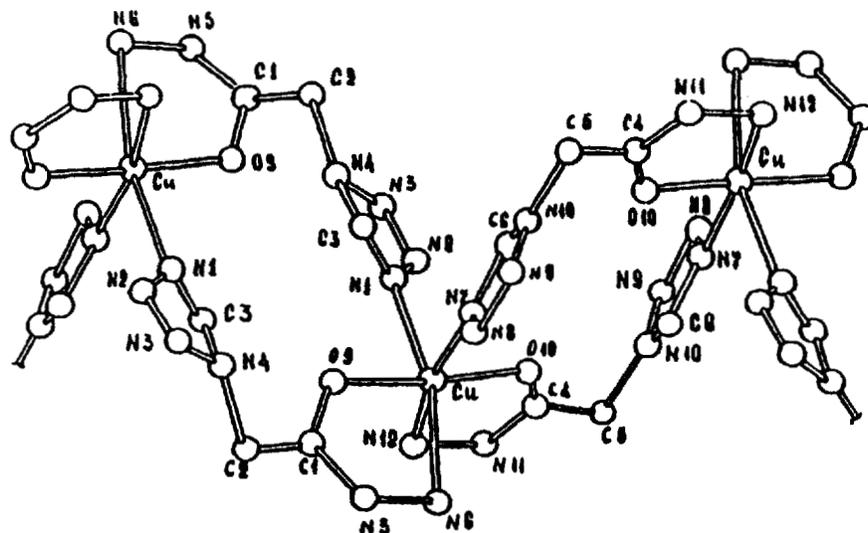
The structure of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pz})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ ³⁴⁹ consists of sheets of Cu(II) atoms bridged by ambidentate pyrazine ligands. The distance between two adjacent sheets is 7.012 Å. The coordination geometry about each Cu(II) atom is that of a tetragonally elongated octahedron, where each Cu(II) atom is bonded strongly (Cu–N = 2.062(3) Å) to four pyrazine ligands and weakly (Cu–O = 2.373(12) Å) to two perchlorate group. The structure of pale blue $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pz})_2(\text{ms})_2$ ³⁵⁰ is isostructural with that of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-pz})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$.³⁴⁹

Light blue $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-th})_2](\text{ClO}_4)_2$ ³⁵¹ consists of $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-th})_2]^{2+}$ cations and perchlorate anions; the structure of the $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-th})_2]^{2+}$ cations is shown in Figure 11. As can be seen the complex cation has a chain structure and tetrazolyl-1-acetylhydrazide performs the function of a tridentate-bridging ligand bonding adjacent Cu(II) atoms through the chelate hydrazide fragment and the nitrogen atom in position 4 of tetrazole, respectively.

In $\text{Cu}(2\text{-OH-1,3-pn})(\mu\text{-trp})$ ³⁵² $[\text{Cu}(2\text{-OH-1,3-pm})_2]^{2+}$ units are linked by the terephthalate groups, resulting in infinite chains.

The crystal of a black derivative³⁵³ is made up of alternating sheets of bis(8-hydroxyquinolinato)Cu(II) molecules and tetracyanobenzene molecules. These sheets extend in the *y*–*z* plane, and the molecules in each sheet are inclined to this plane. The sheets are arranged so that alternate copper chelate and tetracyanobenzene molecules stack along the *z*-axis.

In dark green $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-bmpcb})$ ³⁵⁴ the ligand is tetradentate through the four N atoms forming a highly distorted, square plane about the Cu(II) atom. Amide oxygen atoms of neighboring molecules coordinate also to form chains parallel to *a*, completing a tetragonally distorted six-coordination (CuN_4O_2).

FIGURE 11 Structure of $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-th})_2]^{2+}$.³⁵¹

There are four derivatives^{229,355–357} in which Cu(II) has a *pseudo*-octahedral environment created by four N and two Cl atoms (CuN_4Cl_2). In $[\text{Cu}(\text{acim})_2(\mu\text{-Cl})]\text{Cl} \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ³⁵⁵ the Cu(II) atoms are located at two independent centers of symmetry (000 and $0\frac{1}{2}0$). Two bidentate histamine ligands form a square-planar environment around the Cu(II) atoms (CuN_4). The coordination sphere is expanded to a tetragonal-bipyramid by bridging chlorine atoms. Polymeric chains are extended along the *y*-axis (Table III).

The structure of a deep blue derivative³⁵⁶ consists of centrosymmetric dimeric $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-bistren})^{4+}$ units held together by chlorine bridges forming pairs of polymeric zig-zag chains parallel to the *b*-axis. Each Cu(II) atom has a 4 + 1 + 1 coordination (Table III). The intramolecular Cu–Cu distance is 6.138(1) Å.

In a dark brown derivative³⁵⁷ the Cu(II) atoms are not equivalent, one Cu(II) has the tetradentate N_4 atom macrocycle in a square-planar arrangement. In addition, the axial positions are occupied by two chlorine atoms of two CuCl_4^{2-} units, which act as bridges. The other Cu(II) atom is coordinated by four chlorine atoms in a distorted tetrahedral geometry (Table III).

There are 10 derivatives^{256,358–366} in which each Cu(II) atom is surrounded by four nitrogen and two sulfur donor atoms (CuN_4S_2). The structures of two green^{358,360} and one brown³⁵⁴ complex are characterized by infinite polymeric chains along (010), constructed from $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-cimetidine})_2^{2+}$

entities which are linked through N-cyano groups belonging to symmetry-related molecules. The $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-cim}_2)^{2+}$ cations in the perchlorate,³⁵⁸ nitrate³⁵⁹ and sulfate³⁶⁰ salts are one-dimensional infinite chains characterized by different conformations of the antiulcer drug cimetidine (cation structure isomerism). The Cu(II) atom lies in a strongly distorted octahedral CuN_4S_2 environment (Table III).

A violet derivative³⁶¹ consists of $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2\{\mu\text{-(EtO)}_2\text{PS}_2\}^+$ cations and NCS^- anions. In the complex cation $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2$ moieties are linked by diethyldithiophosphate anions to form polymeric chains. Each Cu(II) atom has a tetragonal-bipyramidal arrangement (CuN_4S_2) with S atoms in the apical positions.

Light blue $\text{Cu}(\text{en})(\mu_3\text{-NCS})(\text{NCS})$ ³⁶² contains two symmetrically independent Cu(II) atoms. Each Cu(II) atom is coordinated in plane by the N atoms of ethylenediamine and the N atoms from two NCS groups. The planar coordination is supplemented by the sulfur atom of the NCS group to give a distorted tetragonal-bipyramidal environment (CuN_4S_2). There are two types of NCS groups, $\mu_3\text{-SCN}$ and monodentate (N).

The structure of dark green $\text{Cu}(4\text{-Brpy})_2(\mu\text{-NCS})_2$ ³⁶³ is shown in Figure 12. There are two symmetrically independent Cu(II) atoms, both *pseudo*-octahedrally coordinated (CuN_4S_2). Both types of Cu(II) polyhedra alternate in the chain and are linked by thiocyanate groups. Another dark green complex $\text{Cu}(4\text{-Mepy})_2(\mu\text{-NCS})_2$ ^{364,365} contains three symmetrically independent Cu(II) atoms and is isostructural with $\text{Cu}(4\text{-Brpy})_2(\mu\text{-NCS})_2$.³⁶³

The structure of dark green $\text{Cu}(\text{bim})(\mu\text{-NCS})_2$ ^{256,366} is made up of one-dimensional chains of $\text{Cu}(\text{bim})^{2+}$ units linked by thiocyanato groups which act as asymmetrical end-to-end bridges. Blue green $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-NCS})_4(\mu\text{-bpm})_2$ ^{256,366} is made up of a three-dimensional network of Cu(II) atoms bridged by bis-bidentate bpm ligands and bis-unidentate end-to-end thiocyanate groups Figure 13.

In $\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4\text{I}_4$ ³⁶⁷ four nitrogen atoms and two axial iodine atoms form a tetragonal-bipyramidal environment about Cu(II) (CuN_4I_2). A connection of the Cu(II) atoms by linear, centrosymmetric I_4^{2-} polyiodide ions results in infinite chains of $[\text{Cu}(\text{NH}_3)_4^{2+}\text{I}_4^{2-}]$ units.

In the blue complex³⁶⁸ perchlorate groups link the $[\text{Cu}(\text{den})(\mu\text{-NCS})]_2^+$ dimers along the *b*-axis. Each Cu(II) atom is coordinated by four N atoms in the plane and an S atom of the NCS group and an O atom of the perchlorate group complete a tetragonal-bipyramidal environment (CuN_4OS) (Table III). The Cu–Cu distance in the dimeric unit is 5.51 Å.

There are six derivatives^{152,369–372} in which each Cu(II) atom is coordinated by four chlorine and two oxygen donor atoms (CuCl_4O_2). The structure of a

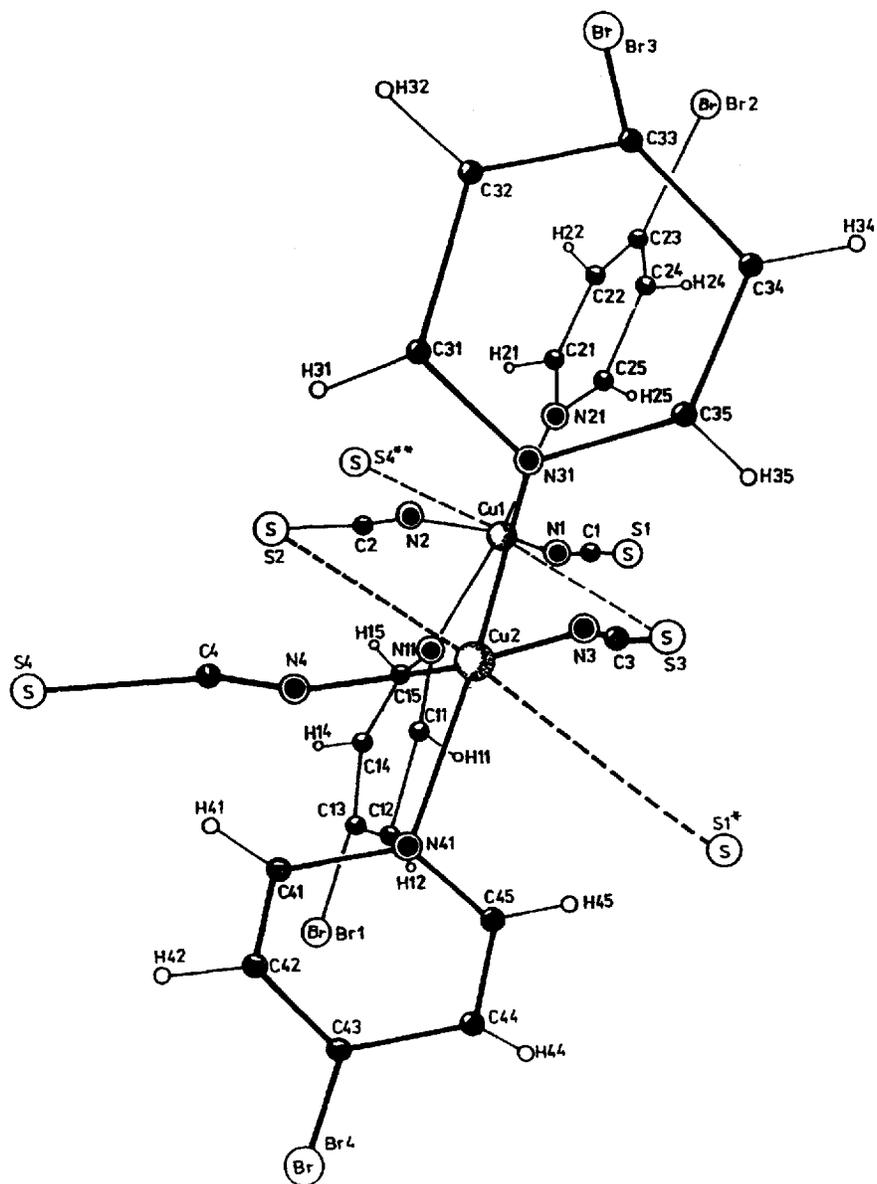
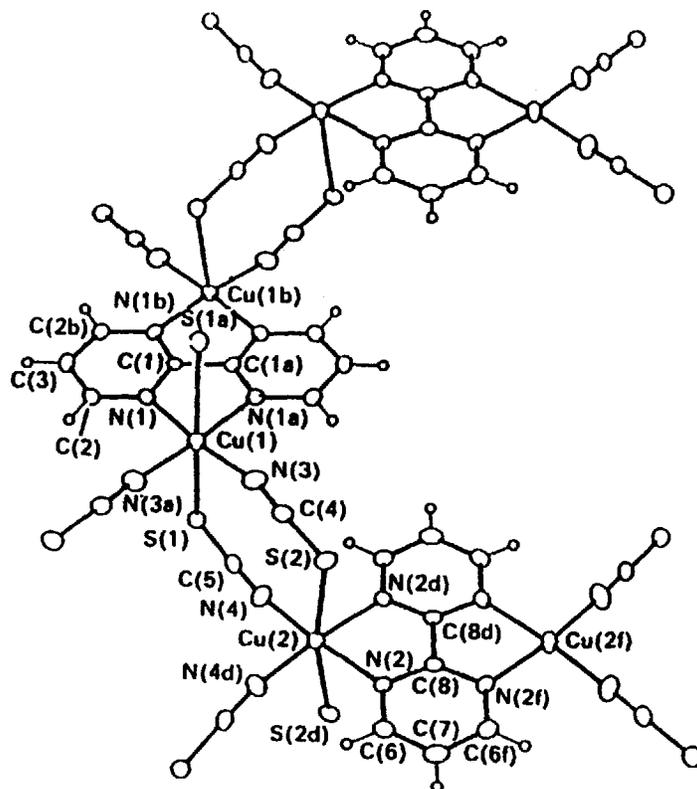


FIGURE 12 Structure of $\text{Cu}(\text{4-Brpy})_2(\mu\text{-NCS})_2$.³⁶³

FIGURE 13 Structure of $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-NCS})_4(\mu\text{-bpm})_2$.³⁶⁶

brown derivative³⁶⁹ is formed of nearly planar $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{trans-chd})$ and $\text{CuCl}_3(\text{thf})_2$ units which are alternatingly tied together by two chloro-bridges and one hydrogen bond, forming an infinite chain along the *c*-axis. In this chain there are three copper atoms on the same line. These lines form a zig-zag type trace. Each Cu(II) atom has tetragonal-bipyramidal geometry, in the former with two chlorine atoms and in the latter units two oxygen atoms (thf) in apical positions (Table III).

The structure of a green derivative³⁷⁰ contains square-planar $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})_2$ subunits stacked along the *a*-axis. Distorted octahedral coordination at Cu(II) is completed by two rather long Cu-Cl bonds with the next layers. The octahedral units form one-dimensional chains by edge-sharing (Table III). There are two orange derivatives³⁷¹ of composition $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-Cl})_2(\mu\text{-L})$ (L = tetramethylsulfoxide or dimethylsulfoxide). Each contains linear chains

of Cu(II) atoms with three bridging ligands (2Cl, 1O) between each pair of Cu(II) atoms with Cu–Cu distances of 3.209(6) and 3.238(1) Å, respectively. In each salt, the copper coordination geometry is severely distorted from octahedral with four short Cu–ligand bonds (Cl₃O) and two long Cu–ligand bonds (OCl).

The structure of (CuCl₃)(dio)₂³⁷² contains zig-zag (CuCl₂)_n chains along the *c*-axis. Each Cu(II) atom is also bonded to two O atoms of 1,4-dioxane molecules, which cross-link the chains in the *a*–*c* plane. The Cu–Cu distances of 3.120(3) and 3.358(3) Å alternately ruled out a direct metal–metal bond.

There are 13 derivatives^{373–385} in which a square plane about each Cu(II) atom is created by pairs of chlorine and nitrogen atoms (N₂Cl₂) and another pair of chlorine atoms completed a square-bipyramidal coordination (CuCl₄N₂). A polymeric chain structure of dark green CuCl₂(oaoH₂)³⁷³ is formed where a chlorine atom bridges three Cu(II) atoms. This leads simultaneously to bent and to nearly linear Cu–Cl–Cu chains, and to zig-zag chains of copper atoms with a Cu–Cu distance of 3.972(2) Å.

The structures of another five derivatives^{375–379} (Table III) consist of infinite chains of doubly chloride-bridged Cu(II) atoms, with Cu–Cu distance ranging from 3.649 to 3.932(4) Å.

The crystal structure of green CuCl₂(pz)^{380,381} reveals that CuCl₂ units are bonded by pyrazine to form linear chains. These chains are cross-linked by doubly-bridged chlorine atoms.

The structural unit of CuCl₂(tz)³⁸² and CuCl₂(amtz)³⁸³ is an infinite chain parallel to the *c*-axis, in which coordination octahedra are joined by sharing edges containing two chlorine atoms. The octahedra are also linked along the chain through vertices from the N atoms, since vertices of adjacent octahedra are occupied by adjacent N atoms of one triazole³⁸² or 4-amino-3-methyl-1,2,4-triazole³⁸³ molecule.

A green derivative³⁸⁴ consists of Cl₂Cu(bpm)CuCl₂ dimeric units doubly bridged by chlorine atoms. The bpm ligand bridges two copper atoms in a planar arrangement with the intermolecular Cu–Cu distance of 5.528(2) Å. While in Cu(Cl)₂Cu moieties the intermolecular Cu–Cu distance is only 3.600(1) Å.

There are five derivatives^{386–389} in which a *pseudo*-octahedral environment about each Cu(II) atom is created by four chlorine, one oxygen and one nitrogen atoms (CuCl₄ON).

CuCl₂(sc), exists in two isomeric forms a blue green monoclinic and blue orthorhombic.³⁸⁶ In the monoclinic compound, the two semicarbazide molecules, which are present in two adjacent octahedra along the chain, have the

oxygen and nitrogen atoms in the *trans* configuration, one with respect to the other, and are correlated by a center of symmetry. In the orthorhombic compound, the two semicarbazide molecules are in the *cis* configuration and there is no center of symmetry. In both compounds packing is determined by the $\text{NH} \cdots \text{Cl}$ and $\text{NH} \cdots \text{O}$ hydrogen bonds which join the chains together.

In $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{amp})$ ³⁸⁷ all chlorine atoms are shared between different coordination octahedra, which form slabs parallel to (100). The octahedra in a slab alternately share edges and corners. The Cu–L bonds are not colinear (deviation 10°) and the total coordination of Cu(II) can be seen as a Jahn–Teller distortion octahedron (Table III). $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{L-his})$ ³⁸⁸ is isostructural with $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{amp})$.³⁸⁸

The structure of brown red $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{Me}_2\text{NNO})$ ³⁸⁹ consists of slightly folded CuCl_2 chains parallel to (100). The chlorines surround the copper in an almost perfect square. Perpendicular to the chlorine plane two adjacent coppers in the chain are connected by the O and the nitroso N of one dimethyl-nitrosamine alternating on both sides of the CuCl_2 chain.

The structure of $[\text{CuCl}_2(\text{amtzt}) \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}]$ ³⁸³ is isostructural with the brown red derivative.³⁸⁹ Two adjacent coppers in the chain are connected by the N and the S of the amtzt molecule alternating on both sides of the CuCl_2 chain.

A centrosymmetric coordination sphere of Cu(II) atom in red brown $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-tted})_2\text{Cl}_2$ ³⁹⁰ is comprised of an S atom from each of two 1,5,9-trithia-cyclododecane ligands and two chlorine atoms at distances of 2.447(1) and 2.205(1) Å, respectively. In addition, each copper interacts weakly with an S atom of a neighboring unit to yield a severe tetragonal elongation geometry (CuS_4N_2) (Table III).

There are seven derivatives^{375,378,380,384,391,392} in which a tetragonal-bipyramidal arrangement about each Cu(II) atom is built up by four bromine and two N donor atoms, with two bromine atoms at apical positions. Structures of four of them^{375,378,380,384} are isostructural with their chlorine analogue.

Structures of two green derivatives³⁹¹ consist of infinite dibromo-bridged chains, in which one bromine ligand serves to propagate the chain in both directions while the others are not involved in the chain, thus one bromine is coordinated to three copper atoms while the others are coordinated to only one. The geometry about each Cu(II) center is distorted octahedral, with two *cis* nitrogen atoms and two bromines in the plane, and the weaker chain-propagating bromine interactions out of the plane. The Cu–Cu separation in the two chains are 3.737(6) and 3.866(2) Å for the aminomethylpyridine

and diaminopropane complex, respectively, with associated Cu–Br–Cu bridging angles of $80.77(4)^\circ$ and $87.56(3)^\circ$, respectively.

Blue $\text{CuBr}_2(\text{aep})^{392}$ consists of infinite Cu–Br–Cu chains which are joined by doubly-bridged Cu–Br–Cu–Br linkages, where the bromine atoms involved in these pairwise linkages are not involved in the chain propagation. Both types of bromine bridges are asymmetric (Table III).

In another 14 derivatives^{281,393–405} a *pseudo*-octahedral arrangement about each Cu(II) atom is created by three O and three N donor atoms (Table III). Their structures are very complex. For example, in dark blue $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-dmhx})(\text{glygly})] \cdot 4\text{H}_2\text{O}^{393}$ the primary coordination sphere about the copper is approximately square-planar with the tridentate glycyglycine dianion and an N atom of the 7,9-dimethylhypoxanthine ligand. In addition to the strongly coordinated equatorial plane, the copper also forms two weak, axial interactions with an O atom of the 7,9-dimethylhypoxanthine ligand; one intramolecular Cu–O = $2.970(2) \text{ \AA}$, and one intermolecular Cu–O = $2.769(2) \text{ \AA}$. The structure of purple $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-cyt})(\text{glygly})^{394}$ is very similar to that of $\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-dmhx})(\text{glygly})^{393}$.

The structure of blue $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ghg})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})^{399}$ is shown in Figure 14. Each tripeptide binds two copper atoms and, therefore produces a polymeric chain of Cu-tripeptide–Cu-tripeptide units extending approximately along the crystallographic *a*-axis. The four closest donor atoms, which form an approximate square-plane about the copper, are the amino, peptide and

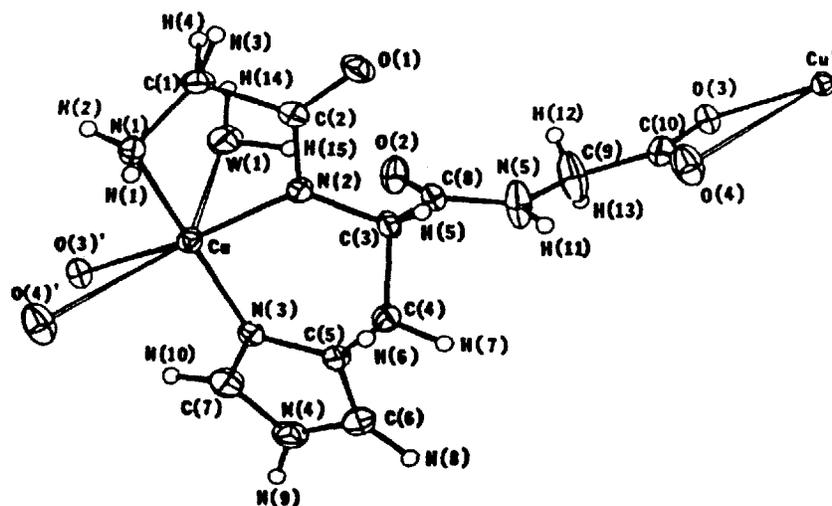


FIGURE 14 Structure of $\text{Cu}_2(\mu\text{-ghg})_2(\text{H}_2\text{O})^{399}$.

imidazole N atoms of one ligand and a carboxyl O of another. The distorted octahedral geometry about the Cu(II) atom is completed by the second O atom of the carboxyl group, and by a water molecule (Table III).

A dark blue derivative⁴⁰⁴ contains perchlorate anions and the dicationic centrosymmetric dimeric $[(\text{dien})\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-tp})\text{Cu}(\text{dien})]^{2+}$ complex. The crystallographic inversion center is located at the center of the benzene ring of the terephthalate anion (tp) bridging ligand. Within the dimeric unit the Cu(II) atoms are bridged by the tp ligand in a bis-unidentate fashion with a Cu–Cu separation in each dimeric entity of 11.006(5) Å. Moreover, two Cu(II) centers of two different dimeric units are bridged by an oxygen atom of a carboxylate group. Thus, chains along the *b*-direction and layers parallel to (100) are formed.

In another blue derivative⁴⁰⁵ the sulfate group forms a bridge between *pseudo*-hexacoordinate Cu(II) atoms (CuO_3N_3) leading to infinite chains along the twofold screw axes. Blue $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-NCS})(\text{bheg})]\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ⁴⁰⁶ forms a one-dimensional polymer chain through the isothiocyanato group. The polymer chains are parallel to the *c*-axis. Each Cu(II) atom is at the center of the typical tetragonal-bipyramidal geometry ($\text{CuO}_3\text{N}_2\text{S}$) (Table III).

The structure of green blue $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{tampz})\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}_2 \cdot 2.25\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ⁴⁰⁷ is shown in Figure 15. The dimeric complex cations are linked by two parallel Cu–Cl(2)–Cu bridges to form a ladder-type polymer structure with an intermolecular Cu–Cu distance of 5.716(1) Å. In the crystal the ladders stack up the *a*-axis with an interladder Cu–Cu distance of 5.536(1) Å. Each Cu(II) is *pseudo*-octahedrally coordinated, (CuN_3Cl_3) (Table III).

A deep blue derivative⁴⁰⁸ consists of chains of iodine-bridged Cu(II) atoms along the crystallographic *c*-direction. Each Cu(II) atom has a tetragonal-bipyramidal environment (CuN_3I_3). The equatorial plane consists of three nitrogen atoms from the diethylenetriamine ligand and one iodine, while the axial sites are occupied by the other (chain-propagating) iodine ligands. The intrachain Cu–Cu separation is 6.658(1) Å, and the bridging Cu–I–Cu angle is 167.7(1)°.

The structure of blue $\text{Cu}\{\text{gaba}(\text{mpy})_2\}\text{Br}$ ⁴⁰⁹ is shown in Figure 16. The bis(2-pyridylmethyl)amino moiety binds in a meridional fashion. There is no crystallographically imposed symmetry around the copper atom, but there is a *pseudo*-mirror plane through N(1)–Br–O(1)–O(2), ignoring the carboxylate tail. The dihedral angle between N(1)–N(2)–N(3) and O(1)–C(16)–O(2) is 87.6(4)°. Each Cu(II) atom is tetragonal-bipyramidally coordinated ($\text{CuN}_3\text{O}_2\text{Br}$) (Table III).

In triclinic $\text{CuCl}_2(\text{et}_2\text{nia})_2$ ⁴¹⁰ all the N,N-diethylnicotinamide molecules are bridging, and are coordinated *via* the nitrogen atom of a pyridine ring to

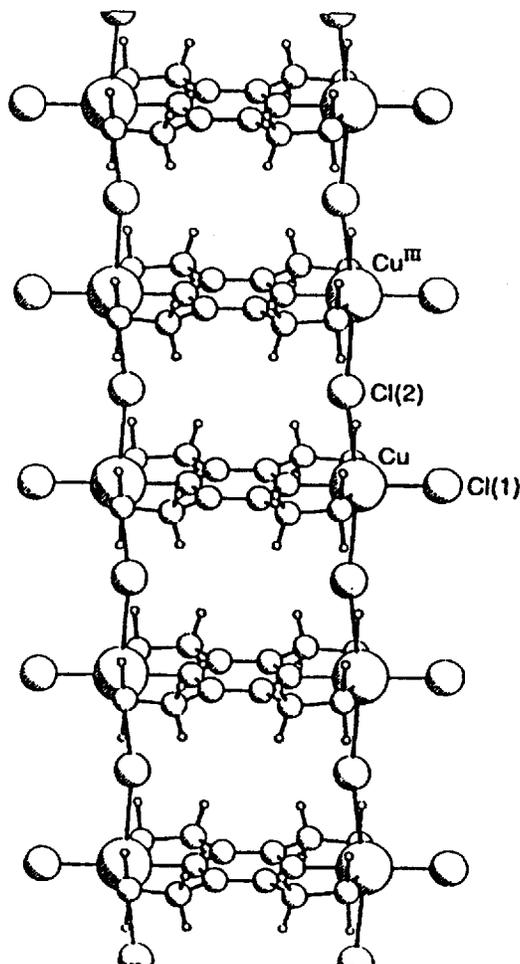


FIGURE 15 Structure of $[\text{Cu}_2(\text{tampz})\text{Cl}_2]\text{Cl}_2$.⁴⁰⁷

a copper atom situated in one system of centers and *via* the oxygen atom to a copper atom lying in another system of centers. This leads to the production of a three-dimensional framework. Each Cu(II) atom is tetragonal-bipyramidally coordinated ($\text{CuO}_2\text{N}_2\text{Cl}_2$) with two O atoms in the axial positions.

In green $[\text{Cu}(\mu\text{-bpydc})(\mu\text{-Cl})_2] \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ⁴¹¹ *pseudo*-octahedrally coordinated Cu(II) atoms ($\text{CuO}_2\text{N}_2\text{Cl}_2$) are bridged by bpydc molecules as well as by chlorine atoms. Finally, in another green derivative⁹⁵ tetragonal-bipyramids ($\text{CuO}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{S}_2$) are linked by 1,4-oxathiane molecules (Table III).

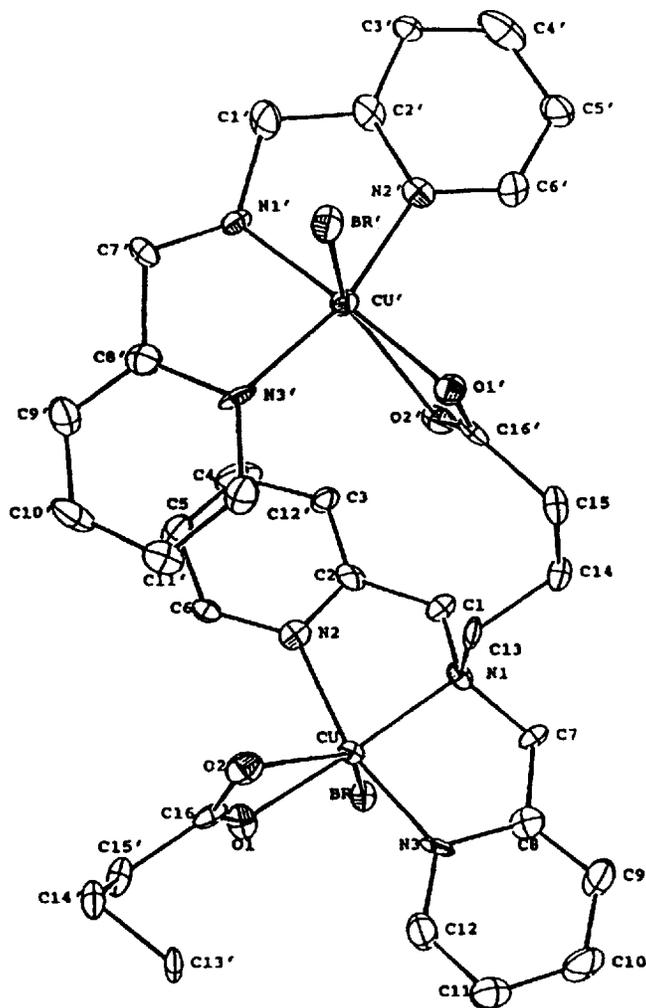


FIGURE 16 Structure of $\text{Cu}\{\text{gaba}(\text{mpy})_2\}\text{Br}$.⁴⁰⁹

Inspection of the data in Table III reveals that there are over 270 Cu(II) derivatives, in which Cu(II) atoms are six-coordinated, with tetragonal-bipyramidal geometry the most common. From 36 different types of chromophores around Cu(II) atoms, the CuO_4N_2 (70%) and CuO_6 (51%) are the most common. There are several derivatives which contain non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms: CuO_4N_2 and CuO_4 ,³²³ CuO_4Cl_2 and CuCl_4 ,^{328,329} CuO_4Br_2

and CuBr_4 ,³²⁸ CuN_4Cl_2 and CuCl_4 ,³⁵⁷ CuN_6 and CuN_5 ,²²² CuO_6 and CuO_4N_2 ,^{18,181} CuO_4N_2 and CuO_4Cl_2 ,³²⁴ and CuO_4Cl_2 and CuCl_4O_2 .³³⁰

The Cu–Cu distances range from 2.977(2) to 11.0229(2) Å which excludes direct metal–metal bonding. The mean Cu–L distances found in the six-coordinate polymeric Cu(II) compounds are summarized in Table IIIA. In general Cu–L(equatorial) bond distances are shorter than Cu–L(apical) bond distances. The Cu–L bond distance elongated with increasing covalent radius of the coordinated atom. The mean Cu–L bond distances obtained for six-coordinate derivatives (Table IIIA) compared to those obtained for five-coordinate derivatives (Table IIA) show that, in mostly cases, the mean Cu–L bond distance is longer for six- than for five-coordinate species. But when $L = \text{LO}_{\text{eq}}$, $\text{L}^3\text{O}_{\text{eq}}$, Cl_{eq} , Br_{ap} , $\mu\text{-LN}$ or $\mu\text{-Cl}_{\text{eq}}$, the opposite is true, and finally, when $L = \text{L}^2\text{N}_{\text{eq}}$, $\text{L}^3\text{N}_{\text{eq}}$ or $\mu\text{-LO}_{\text{eq}}$, the mean Cu–L bond distances are equal.

Multidentate ligands include both mono- and hetero-donor atoms, with O and N donors being by far the most common. Hetero-bidentate ligands

TABLE IIIA Summary of the Cu(II)–L bond distances for six-coordinate derivatives^a

Coord. atom ^b	Cov. rad. [Å]	Cu–L (equatorial) [Å]	Cu–L (apical) [Å]
LO	0.73	1.98(6,8)	2.54(24,45)
μLO		1.95(3,4)	2.57(22,34)
L^2O		2.01(11,11)	2.61(31,39)
L^3O		1.96(5,7)	2.57(24,33)
L^4O		2.01(9,31)	2.66(31,27)
L^5O		1.94(4,6)	2.48(11,6)
LN	0.75	2.00(9,8)	2.70(14,14)
μLN		1.97(1,2)	2.57(11,11)
L^2N		2.02(11,13)	2.65(18,30)
L^3N		1.99(8,4)	2.65(38,47)
L^4N		2.05(11,8)	—
L^5N		2.05(4,4)	—
Cl	0.99	2.28(8,3)	—
μCl		2.29(8,6)	2.88(40,42)
$\mu_3\text{Cl}$		2.28(3,2)	2.86(1,4)
L^2S	1.02	2.45	3.04(4,5)
$\mu_3\text{S}$			2.57(26,79)
Br	1.14	2.43(4,2)	2.74
μBr		2.42(3,3)	3.20(27,50)
$\mu_3\text{Br}$		2.44(2,2)	3.21(15,12)
μI	1.33	2.585	3.22
SCN	0.75	1.95(5,8)	—
NCS	1.02	—	3.05(29,22)

^aThe first number in parenthesis is the maximum deviation from the mean of the lowest value observed. The second number in parenthesis is the maximum deviation from the mean of the highest value observed. ^b $\text{L}^x = \text{X} - \text{dentate}$.

include those with O plus N; O plus S and N plus S donor sites. Hetero-tridentate ligands include those with two O plus one N, two N plus S, and one O plus two N donor sites. The hetero-tetradentates are either three O plus N, three N plus S, or two O plus two N donor sites. The hetero-pentadenta-ligands include four O plus N, two O plus three N, one O and four N donor sites. The hetero-hexadentate ligands include four O plus two N, four O plus S, two O plus four N donor sites. The hetero-heptadentate ligands have five O plus two N donor sites, hetero-nonadentate ligand has six O plus two N and one S; and hetero-undecadentate has seven O plus four N donor sites as the only examples.

The effects of both electronic and steric factors of the coordinated atoms can be seen in the opening of the L-Cu-L bond angles of the respective metalocycles. In four-member rings the mean L-Cu-L intra-ligand angles are: 49.9°–56.7° (mean 53.2°, O-C-O) and 64.7°–67.0° (mean 65.8°, O-Cl-O). For the five-member rings the values are: 77.0°–81.2° (mean 80.0°, N donor with unsaturation); 82.0°–89.5° (mean 84.5°, N donor with saturation); 74.4°–85.7° (mean 81.0°, O donor); 73.6°–85.7° (mean 83.3°, O + N donor); 82.2°–84.2° (mean 83.2°, O + S donor); 77.4°–78.8° (mean 78.0°, N + S donor, unsaturation and 86.0° N + S donor saturation. For six-member rings the values are: 87.5°–93.8° (mean 91.5°, O donor); 91.2°–95.3° (mean 93.0°, O + N donor) and 89.0°–100.50° (mean 93.8°, N donor).

3. CONCLUSIONS

The review has classified almost 500 polymeric Cu(II) compounds. The various geometries are found in increasing number in the order : four- << five- <<< six-coordination. In the series of four-coordinate complexes there are square-planar, tetrahedral and intermediate square-planar \rightleftharpoons tetrahedral derivatives. In the series of five-coordination, by far the most prevalent is square-pyramidal geometry with differing degrees of distortion. The Cu(II) atom is displaced from the basal plane toward an apical donor atom from 0.003 to 0.406 Å. In the series of six-coordination, an elongated tetragonal-bipyramidal environment with differing degrees of distortion prevails.

Two symmetrically independent copper units, differing by degree of distortion, have been found in several cases.^{21b,23,26,30,46,49,56,59,60,62,74-76,79,96,99,108,118,131,150,151,164,170} In one case⁷² three such units and in one case⁹³ seven such units are present. There are several examples which contain non-equivalent Cu(II) atoms: four- and five-coordinate,^{12,13} four- and

six-coordinate,^{18,321,328,329,357} five- and six-coordinate.^{38,63a,84-88,94,95,98,100,112,125,155,222} In two cases five-coordinate Cu(II) atoms differ by chromophores; CuO₅ and CuO₃N₂,²⁷ CuCl₄O and CuCl₃O₂,⁹³ and in another four derivatives six-coordinate Cu(II) atoms also differ by chromophores; CuO₆ and CuO₄N₂,^{180,181} CuO₄N₂ and CuO₄Cl₂,³²⁴ CuO₄Cl₂ and CuCl₄O₂.³³⁰

Copper(II) compounds are for the most part blue or green, but there are examples of violet, red, yellow or even black.

The 'borderline' behavior of the Cu(II) atom is evident from the nature of the ligands most commonly found, and in particular the nature of the binding. The most common ligands are oxygen and nitrogen donors, and chlorine atoms. The ligands range from mono- to undecadentate. In mostly examples, an apical positions are occupied by oxygen-donor ligands.

Relationships between the various structural parameters have been discussed within each section.

In general, the mean Cu-L bond length increases with coordination number of the metal atom and with covalent radius of the donor atom. In general, the mean Cu-L(equatorial) bond length is shorter than the respective Cu-L(apical) bond length. The shortest Cu-Cu distance found in the series of four-coordinate derivatives is 2.95 Å,¹⁶ five-coordinate 2.652(2) Å²⁶ and six-coordinate 2.977(2) Å.²⁸¹

Table IV summarizes the intra-metallo-cyclic ring angles for the five- and six-coordinate derivatives. The angle opens with increasing covalent radius of the donor atom and with increasing number of atoms in the ring as expected. The angle opens with decreasing coordination number, except of 5-N and 5-O + S.

TABLE IV Summary of the mean intra-metallo-cyclic ring angles (°)

Ring	5-Coord.	6-Coord.
4-O	56.0	53.0
5-O	83.7	81.0
5-N	80.0 ^a	80.3 ^a
	83.7 ^b	84.5 ^b
5-O + N	83.7	83.3
5-O + S	80.6	83.2
5-N + S	87.7	80.7
6-O	92.4	91.5
6-N	94.0	93.8
6-O + N	93.7	93.2

^aUnsaturation. ^bSaturation.

This review together with its precursors of Cu(II) for monomers^{1,2} 1800× dimers³ 900× trimers and oligomers⁴ 250× represents the first overview of structural data for over 3500 Cu(II) coordination compounds.

These reviews for Cu(II) coordination compounds, together with the review^{4,12} which classified over 1000 Cu(I) structures and the review^{4,13} which classified 40 mixed-valence Cu(I)–Cu(II) coordination complexes show the wide range of stereochemistry around copper atoms with different degree of distortion and the enormous interest in copper chemistry.

During the collection and organization of the data it became clear, despite the increasing availability of data retrieval systems, the tracing of relevant material is not always a straightforward task. Some of the data are only available as supplementary material, and some are not mentioned at all. This can lead to overlooking of relevant structural features which should be compared with other derivatives. In view of such limitations in information retrieval, we believe, that it is necessary to make a systematic overall review, and that such reviews serve the useful purpose of delineating areas of both interest and weakness. Related reviews of the structural chemistry of heterometallic Cu(II) compounds as well as of Cu(III) compounds are currently in progress.

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