

# Two Complexes of Copper(II) Salts with 5-Amino-3-(pyrid-2-yl)-1H-pyrazole, the Prototype for a New Class of Ditopic Ligand

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## Supplementary Information

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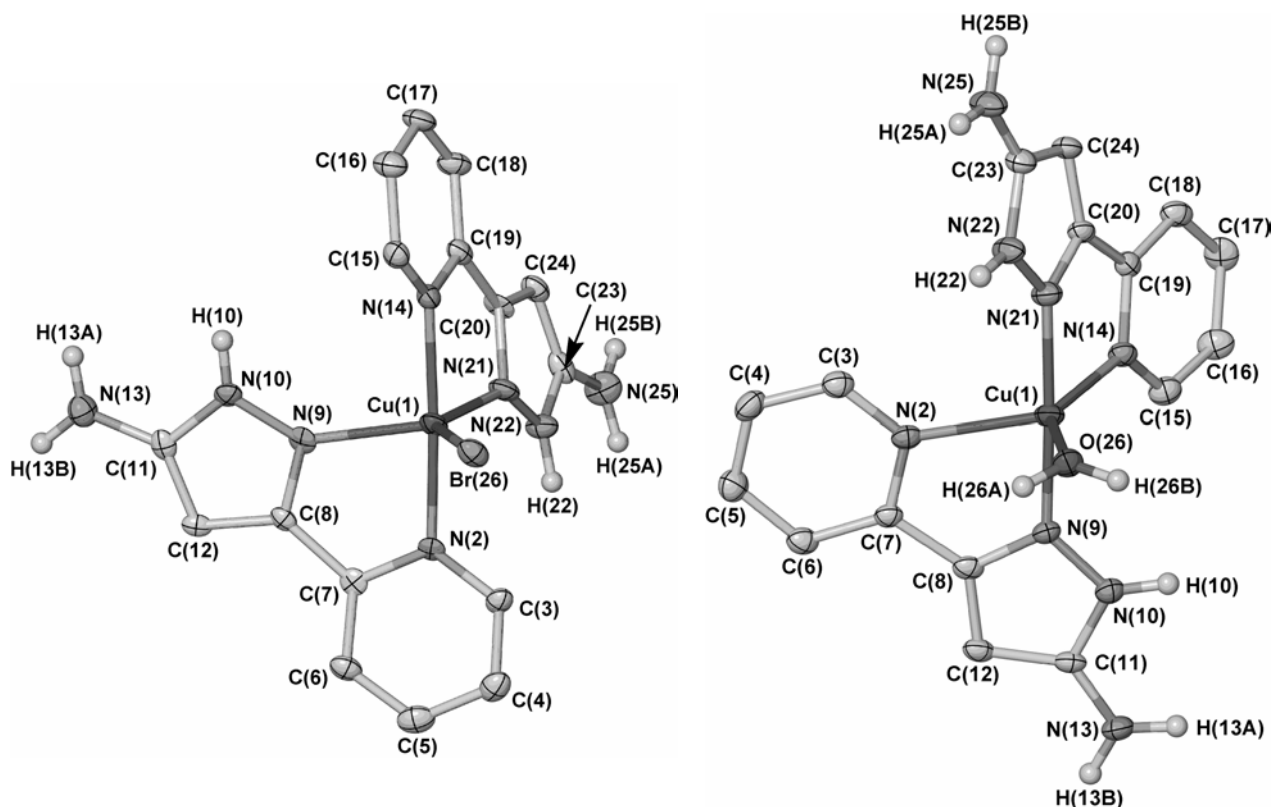
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<i>T</i> (K)	<b>1</b> (X = Br)	<b>2</b> (X = O)
Cu(1)–N(2)	1.996(8)	2.166(4)
Cu(1)–N(9)	2.089(8)	1.942(4)
Cu(1)–N(14)	1.998(8)	2.063(4)
Cu(1)–N(21)	2.035(9)	1.939(4)
Cu(1)–X(26)	2.5140(16)	2.068(3)
N(2)–Cu(1)–N(9)	80.1(3)	78.54(15)
N(2)–Cu(1)–N(14)	172.1(3)	121.22(14)
N(2)–Cu(1)–N(21)	95.0(3)	99.08(15)
N(2)–Cu(1)–X(26)	92.6(2)	100.19(13)
N(9)–Cu(1)–N(14)	95.7(3)	96.30(15)
N(9)–Cu(1)–N(21)	114.6(3)	173.76(16)
N(9)–Cu(1)–X(26)	112.8(2)	94.91(14)
N(14)–Cu(1)–N(21)	80.6(3)	79.94(16)
N(14)–Cu(1)–X(26)	95.2(2)	138.46(14)
N(21)–Cu(1)–X(26)	132.6(2)	91.18(15)

**Table S2** Metric parameters for the hydrogen bond and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions in [CuBrL<sub>2</sub>]Br·CH<sub>3</sub>OH (**1**) (Å, °). Symmetry codes correspond to those in Fig. 1 of the main paper.

Hydrogen bonds <sup>a</sup>	D–H	H...A	D...A	D–H...A
N(10)–H(10)...Br(27)	0.88	2.43	3.263(8)	158.1
N(13)–H(13A)...Br(27)	0.88	2.90	3.642(9)	142.5
N(13)–H(13B)...Br(26 <sup>i</sup> )	0.88	2.76	3.491(9)	141.6
N(22)–H(22)...O(28)	0.88	1.89	2.708(11)	154.6
N(25)–H(25A)...Br(27 <sup>ii</sup> )	0.88	3.05	3.776(9)	141.5
N(25)–H(25B)...Br(26 <sup>iii</sup> )	0.88	2.76	3.510(9)	143.6
O(28)–H(28)...Br(27 <sup>iv</sup> )	0.84	2.51	3.287(8)	155.2

$\pi$ - $\pi$ Interactions <sup>a</sup>	Interplanar distance	Dihedral angle	Centroid offset
[N(2)–N(13)]–[N(2 <sup>i</sup> )–N(13 <sup>i</sup> )]	3.349(5)	0	2.84
[N(14)–N(25)]–[N(14 <sup>iii</sup> )–N(25 <sup>iii</sup> )] <sup>b</sup>	3.59(3)	7.2(2)	2.64

<sup>a</sup>Symmetry codes: (i)  $-x+2, -y+1, -z+1$ ; (ii)  $-x+2, y+1/2, -z+1/2$ ; (iii)  $x+1/2, y, -z+1/2$ ; (iv)  $-x+3/2, y+1/2, z$ . <sup>b</sup>Average value quoted for distance between atoms in one ring and the plane of the other, because dihedral angle between the interacting ligands  $\neq 0$ .

**Table S3** Metric parameters for the hydrogen bond and  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interactions in [CuL<sub>2</sub>(OH<sub>2</sub>)]SO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·CH<sub>3</sub>OH (**2**) (Å, °). Symmetry codes correspond to those in Fig. 2 of the main paper.

Hydrogen bonds <sup>a</sup>	D–H	H...A	D...A	D–H...A
N(10)–H(10)...O(30 <sup>i</sup> )	0.88	1.95	2.779(5)	155.5
N(13)–H(13A)...O(29 <sup>i</sup> )	0.88	2.04	2.858(5)	153.6
N(13)–H(13B)...O(31 <sup>ii</sup> )	0.88	2.11	2.950(5)	158.6
N(22)–H(22)...O(28)	0.88	2.05	2.841(5)	148.4
N(25)–H(25A)...O(31)	0.88	2.44	3.251(6)	153.0
N(25)–H(25B)...O(28 <sup>iii</sup> )	0.88	2.32	3.116(6)	151.2
O(26)–H(26A)...O(33)	0.85(3)	1.86(3)	2.707(5)	175(5)
O(26)–H(26B)...O(32 <sup>i</sup> )	0.85(3)	1.85(3)	2.662(5)	158(5)
O(32)–H(32A)...O(30)	0.86(3)	1.93(3)	2.708(5)	151(5)
O(32)–H(32B)...O(31 <sup>iv</sup> )	0.84(3)	1.89(3)	2.735(5)	176(5)
O(33)–H(33)...O(29)	0.84	1.92	2.750(5)	169.0

$\pi$ - $\pi$ Interaction <sup>a</sup>	Interplanar distance	Dihedral angle	Centroid offset
[N(14)–N(25)]–[N(14 <sup>viii</sup> )–N(25 <sup>viii</sup> )]	3.348(10)	0	0.98

<sup>a</sup>Symmetry codes: (i)  $x-1/2, -y+1/2, z-1/2$ ; (ii)  $-x+1/2, y-1/2, -z+3/2$ ; (iii)  $-x+3/2, y+1/2, -z+3/2$ ; (iv)  $-x+2, -y+1, -z+2$ ; (viii)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z+1$ .

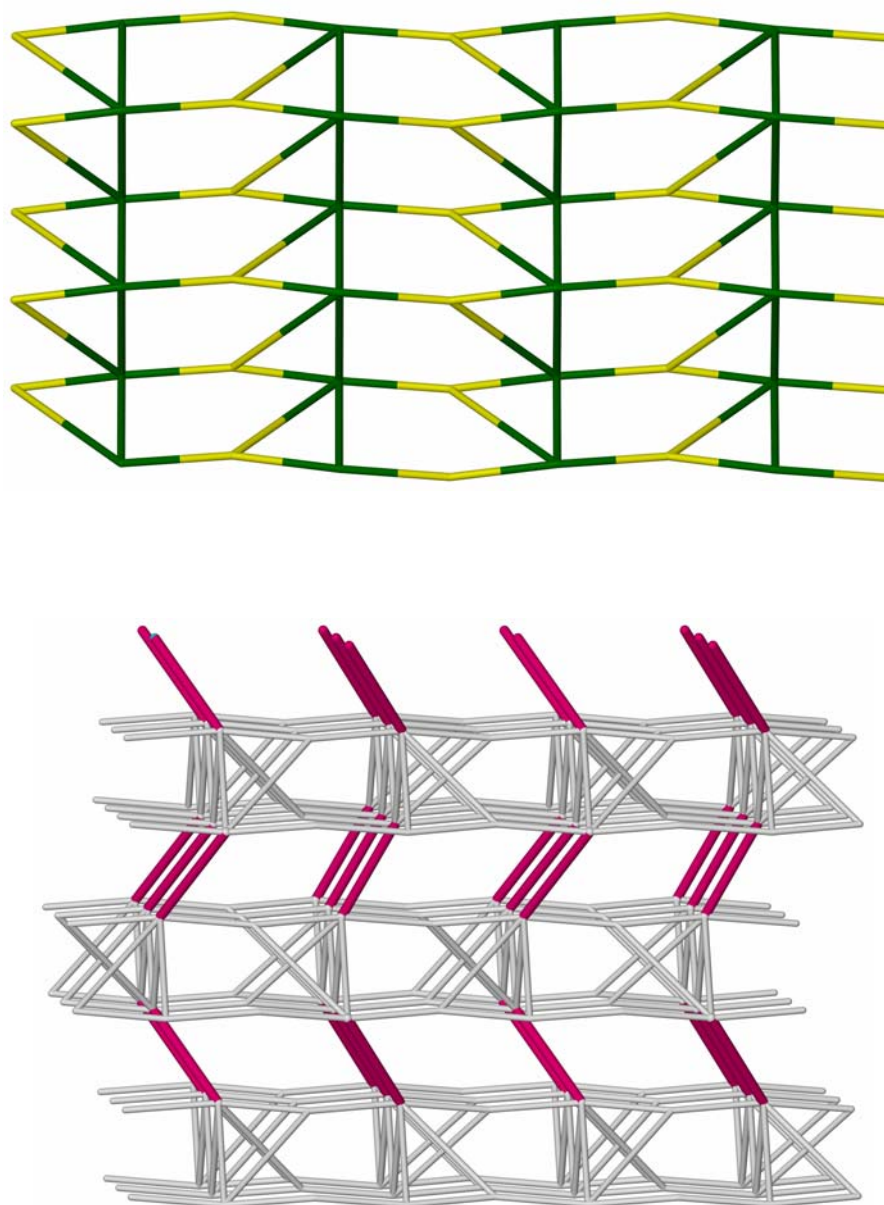
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	Distance between nodes (Å)
Cu...Cu pathways [ <i>via</i> the coordinated bromine atom Br(26)]	
N(13)–H(13B)...Br(26 <sup>i</sup> )/N(13 <sup>i</sup> )–H(13B <sup>i</sup> )...Br(26) <sup>b</sup>	Cu(1)...Cu(1 <sup>i</sup> ) = 7.623(3)
N(25)–H(25B)...Br(26 <sup>iii</sup> ) and N(25 <sup>vii</sup> )–H(25B <sup>vii</sup> )...Br(26)	Cu(1)...Cu(1 <sup>iii</sup> ) = Cu(1)...Cu(1 <sup>vii</sup> ) = 7.301(2)
Cu...Br pathways [to the non-coordinated bromine atom Br(27)]	
N(10)–H(10)...Br(27)/N(13)–H(13A)...Br(27)	Cu(1)...Br(27) = 5.5751(19)
N(25)–H(25A)...Br(27 <sup>ii</sup> )	Cu(1)...Br(27 <sup>ii</sup> ) = 8.458(2)
N(22)–H(22)...O(28)–H(28)...Br(27 <sup>iv</sup> )	Cu(1)...Br(27 <sup>iv</sup> ) = 5.4041(19)
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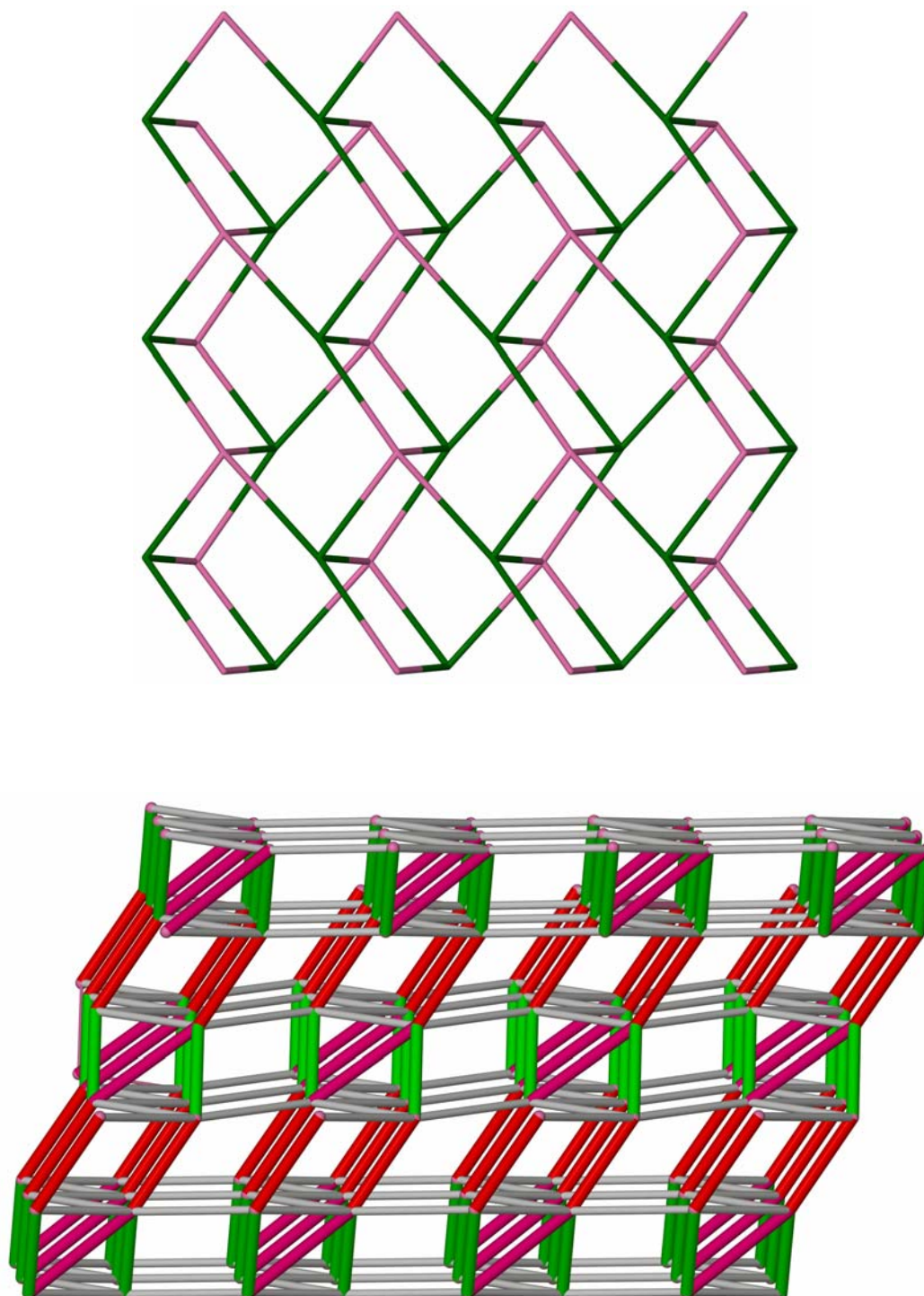
**Table S5** Connections making up the hydrogen-bonded network in [CuL<sub>2</sub>(OH<sub>2</sub>)]SO<sub>4</sub>·H<sub>2</sub>O·CH<sub>3</sub>OH (2).<sup>a</sup> There are two distinct hydrogen bond pathways linking Cu(1) with S(27) and S(27<sup>i</sup>).

	Distance between nodes (Å)
Cu...SO <sub>4</sub> pathways	
N(22)–H(22)...O(28)/N(25)–H(25A)...O(31)/O(26)–H(26A)...O(33)–H(33)...O(29)	Cu(1)...S(27) = 5.2754(14)
N(10)–H(10)...O(30 <sup>i</sup> )/N(13)–H(13A)...O(29 <sup>i</sup> )/ O(26)–H(26B)...O(32 <sup>i</sup> )–H(32A <sup>i</sup> )...O(30 <sup>i</sup> )	Cu(1)...S(27 <sup>i</sup> ) = 5.4879(14)
N(13)–H(13B)...O(31 <sup>ii</sup> )	Cu(1)...S(27 <sup>ii</sup> ) = 8.3332(14)
N(25)–H(25B)...O(28 <sup>iii</sup> )	Cu(1)...S(27 <sup>iii</sup> ) = 8.1360(14)
O(26)–H(26B)...O(32 <sup>i</sup> )–H(32B <sup>i</sup> )...O(31 <sup>vii</sup> )	Cu(1)...S(27 <sup>vii</sup> ) = 5.9073(14)
SO <sub>4</sub> ...SO <sub>4</sub> pathway	
O(30)...H(32A)–O(32)–H(32B)...O(31 <sup>iv</sup> )/ O(30 <sup>iv</sup> )...H(32A <sup>iv</sup> )–O(32 <sup>iv</sup> )–H(32B <sup>iv</sup> )...O(31) <sup>b</sup>	S(27)...S(27 <sup>iv</sup> ) = 6.588(3)

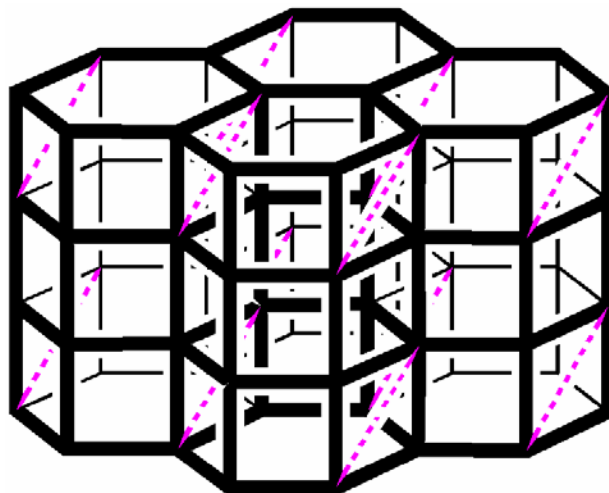
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**Fig. S2** Two views of the topology of the hydrogen-bonded network in  $[\text{CuBrL}_2]\text{Br}\cdot\text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (**1**), formed by the hydrogen bonds listed in Table S4. Top: Aggregation of the Cu (green) and Br (yellow) nodes into a zig-zag sheet along the (001) crystal plane, formed from  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{Cu}(1^{\text{iii}})$  and the three  $\text{Cu}\dots\text{Br}$  contacts. Bottom: the linking of these sheets (white) into three dimensions by the  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{Cu}(1^{\text{i}})$  connection (pink).



**Fig. S3** Two views of the topology of the extended hydrogen-bonded network in  $[\text{CuL}_2(\text{OH}_2)]\text{SO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (**2**), formed by the hydrogen bonds listed in Table S5. Left: the bilayer of  $6^3$  sheets formed from the  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{S}(27)$ ,  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{S}(27^{\text{ii}})$ ,  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{S}(27^{\text{iii}})$  and  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{S}(27^{\text{vii}})$  hydrogen bond pathways, running along the (001) crystal plane. The Cu nodes are in green, and S nodes in pink. Right: the complete network, viewed approximately perpendicular to the (010) plane with the [100] crystal vector horizontal. The layers of  $6^3$  rings are in white, while the cross-linking pathways are  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{S}(27)$  (red),  $\text{Cu}(1)\dots\text{S}(27^{\text{i}})$  (green) and  $\text{S}(27)\dots\text{S}(27^{\text{iv}})$  (pink).



**Fig. S4** Diagram showing the relationship between the network topology for  $[\text{CuL}_2(\text{OH}_2)]\text{SO}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O} \cdot \text{CH}_3\text{OH}$  (**2**) in Fig. S3, and the boron nitride structure. The BN network is in black, while the additional  $\text{S}(27)\dots\text{S}(27^{\text{iv}})$  edge (pink in Fig. S3) found in **2** is shown in pink.