

Supporting Information for

Tuning the structure and solubility of nanojars by peripheral ligand substitution, leading to unprecedented liquid-liquid extraction of the carbonate ion from water into aliphatic solvents

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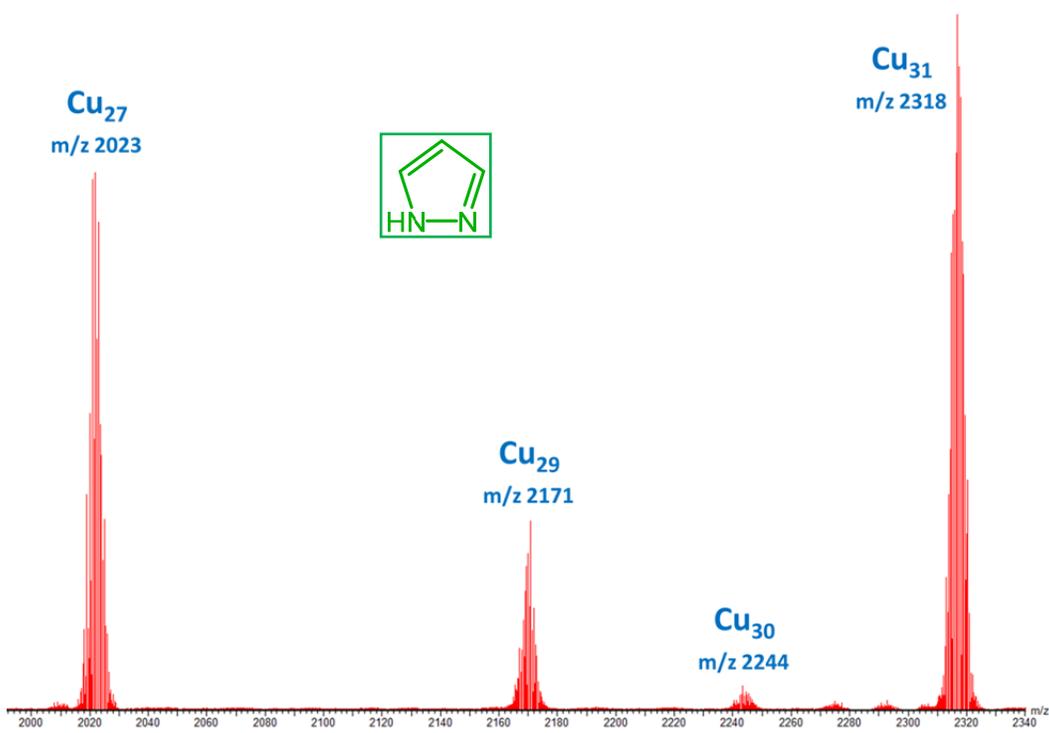


Figure S1. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of $[\text{CO}_3\{\text{Cu}(\text{OH})(\text{Hpz})\}_n]^{2-}$ ($n = 27, 29, 30, 31$).

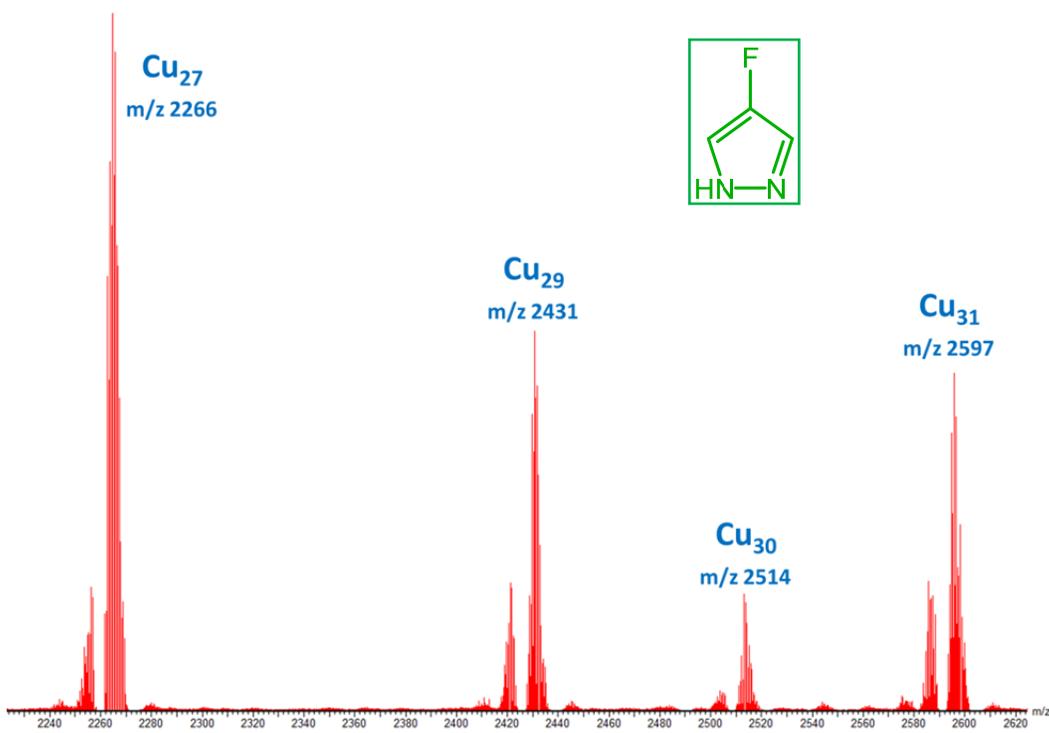


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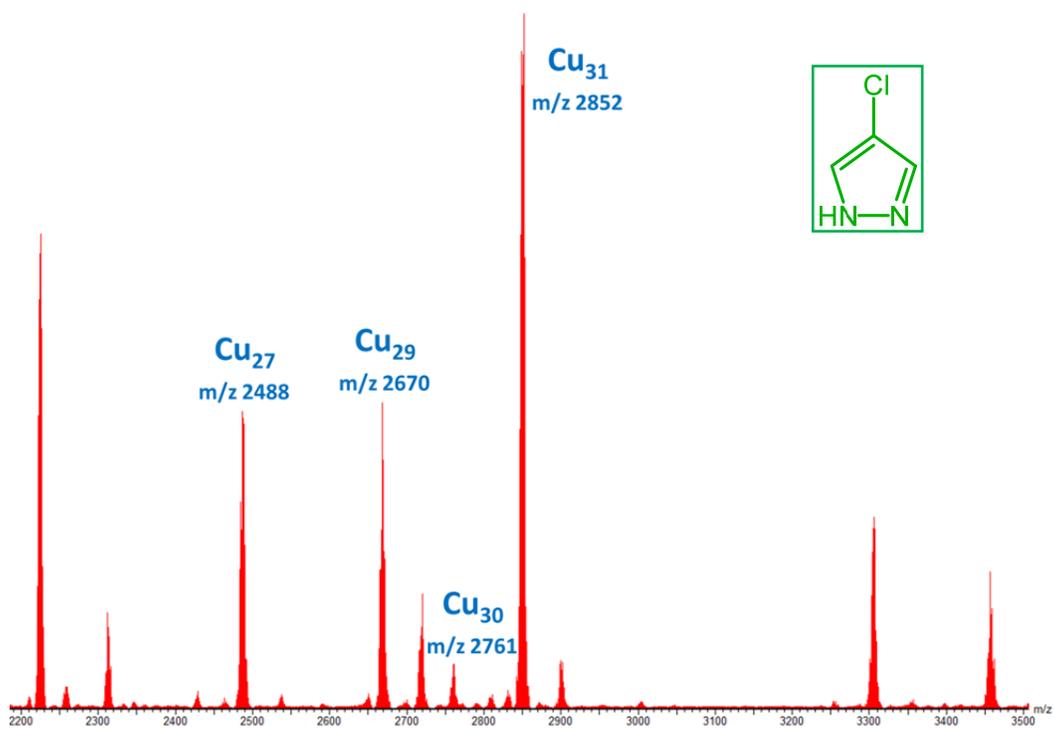


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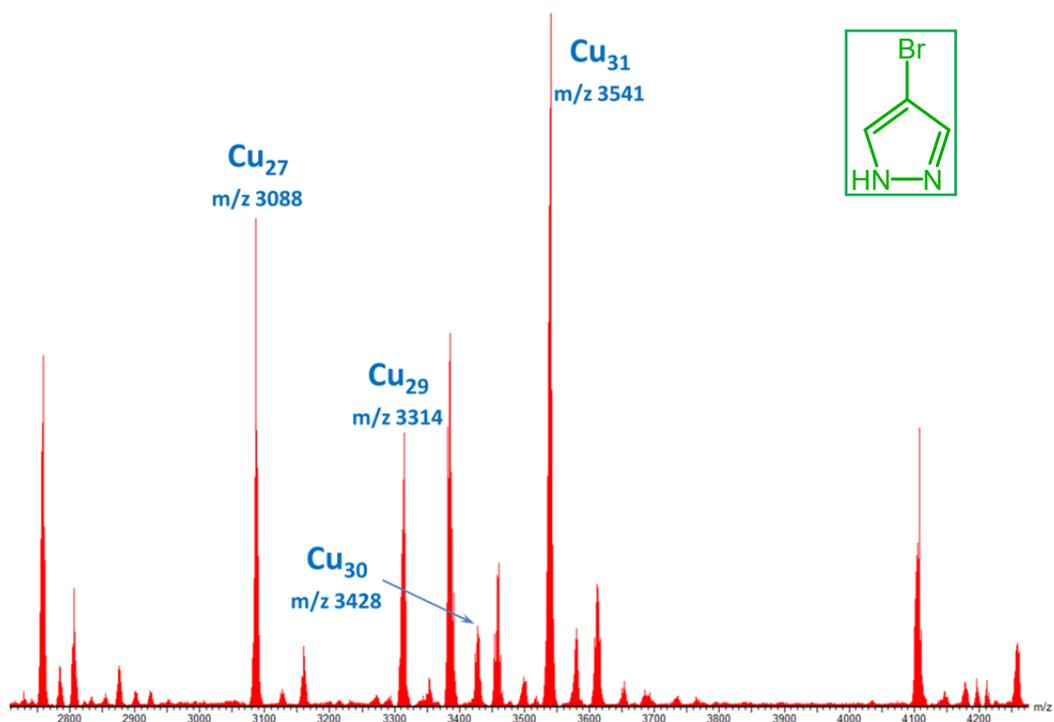


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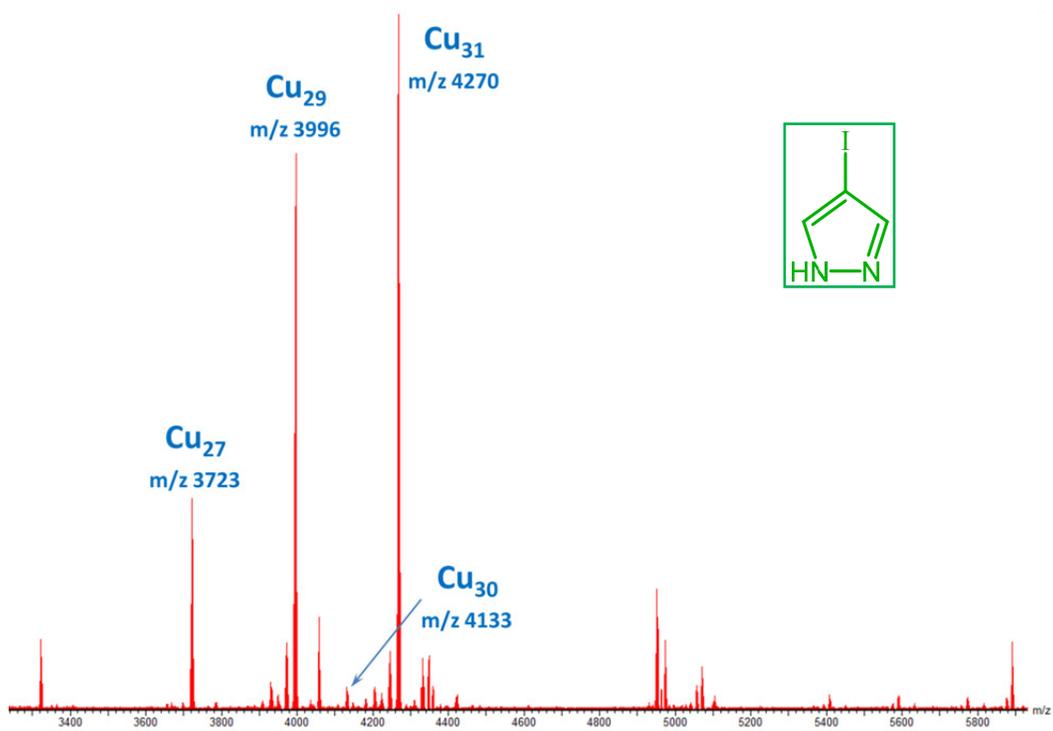


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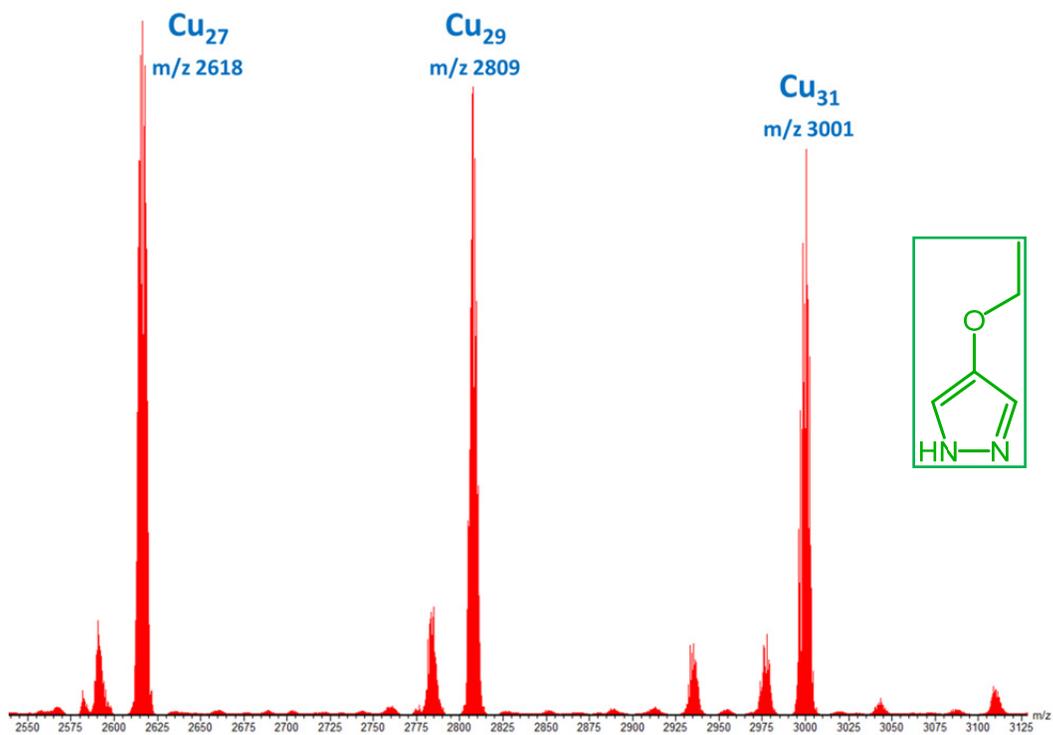


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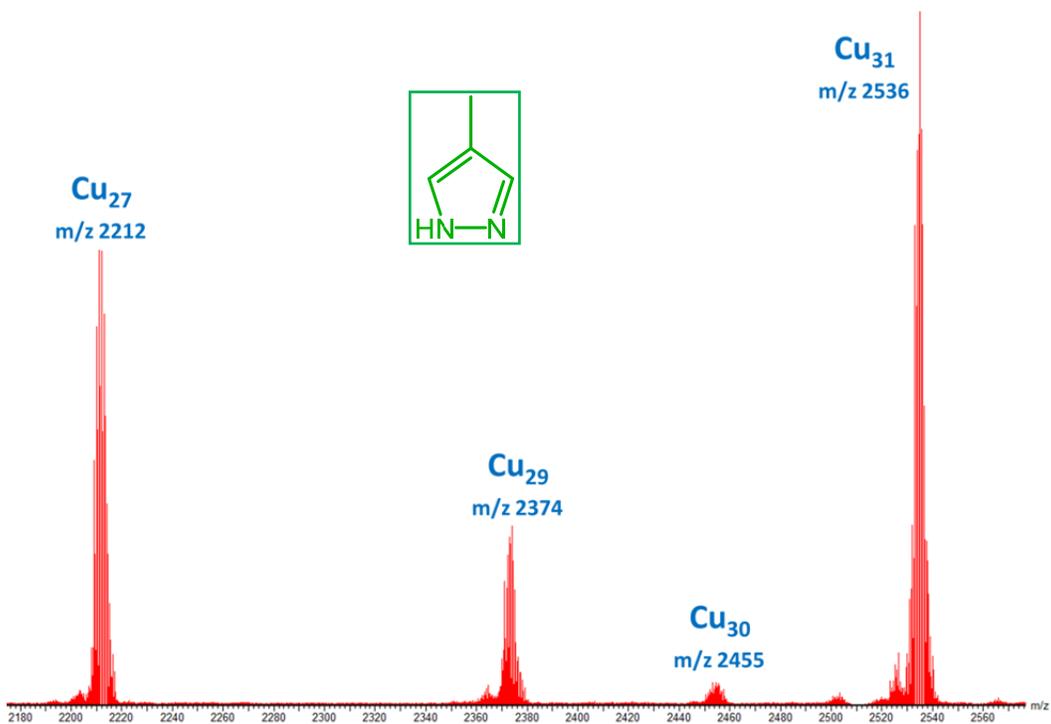


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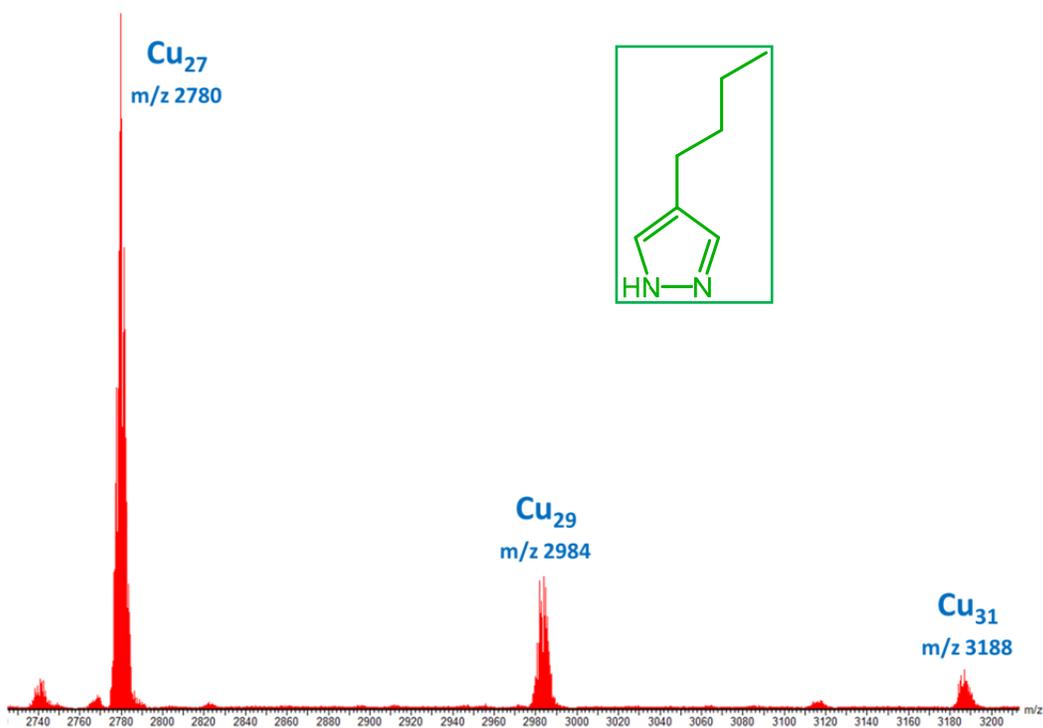


Figure S8. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of $[\text{CO}_3\text{C}\{\text{Cu}(\text{OH})(4\text{-}^n\text{Bupz})\}_n]^{2-}$ ($n = 27, 29, 31$).

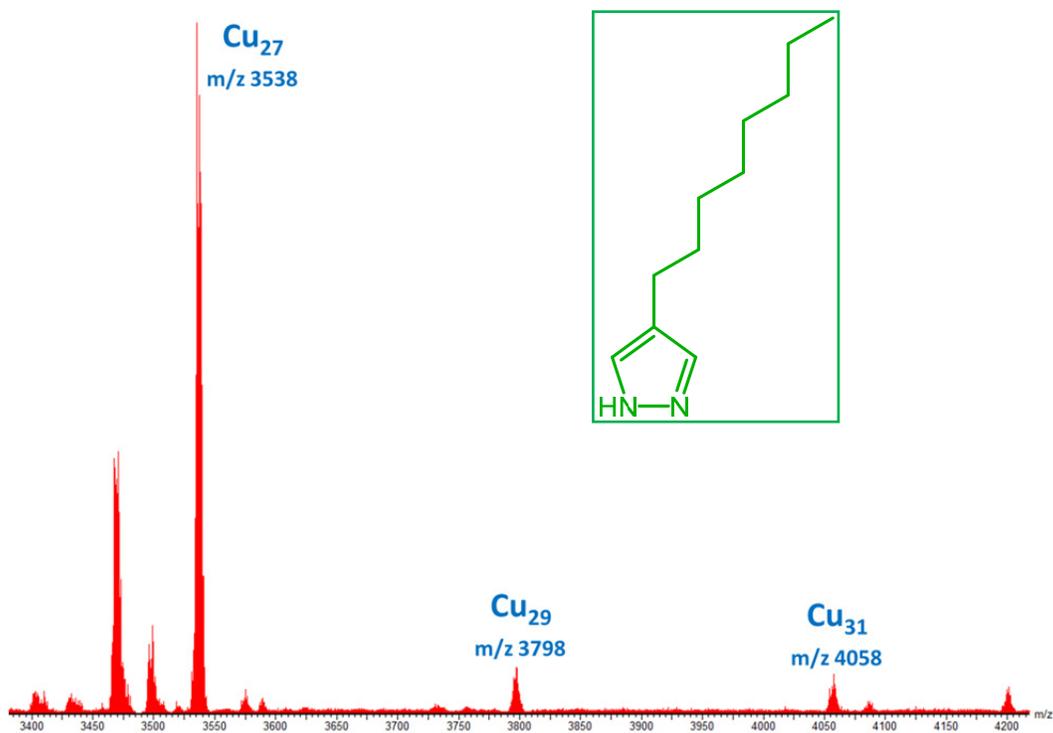


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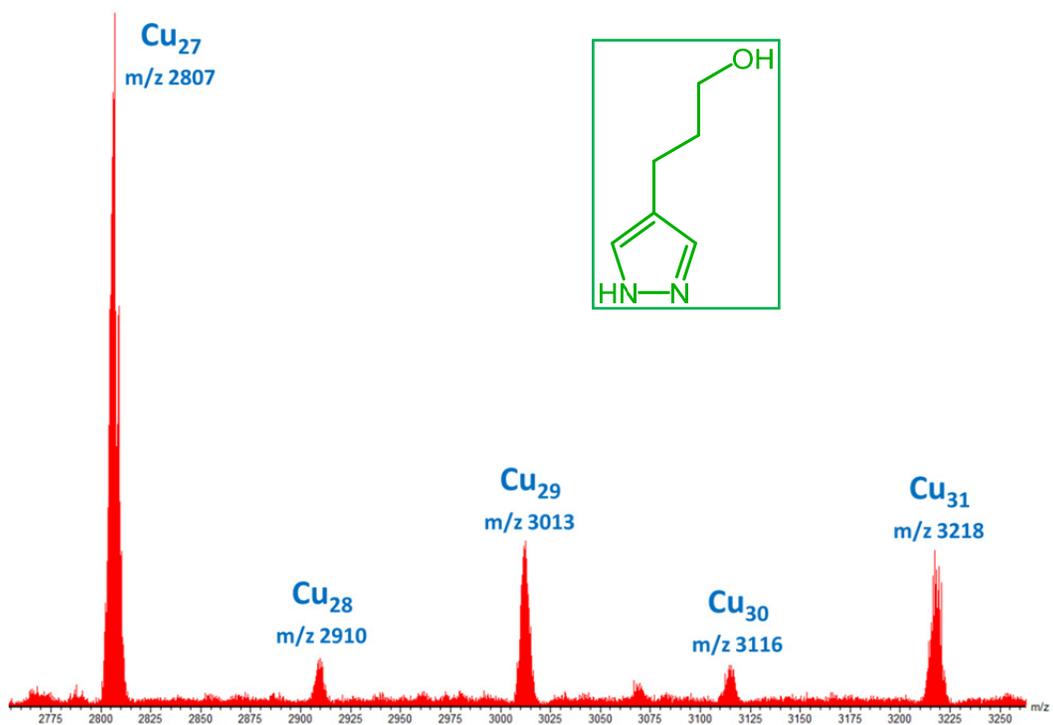


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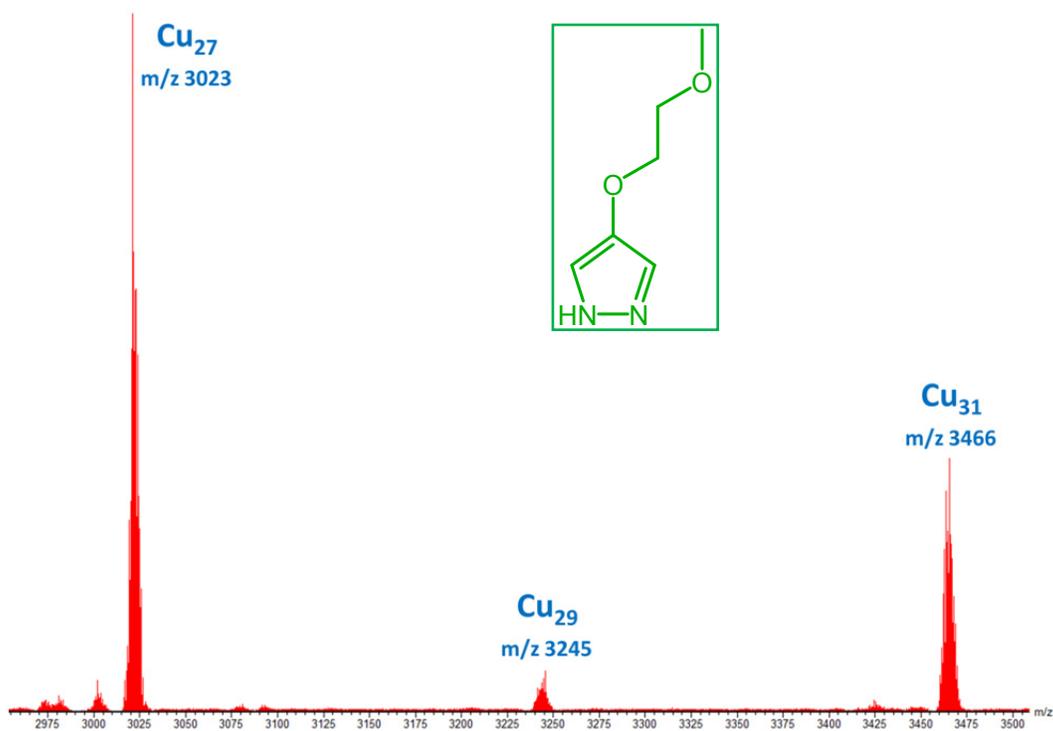


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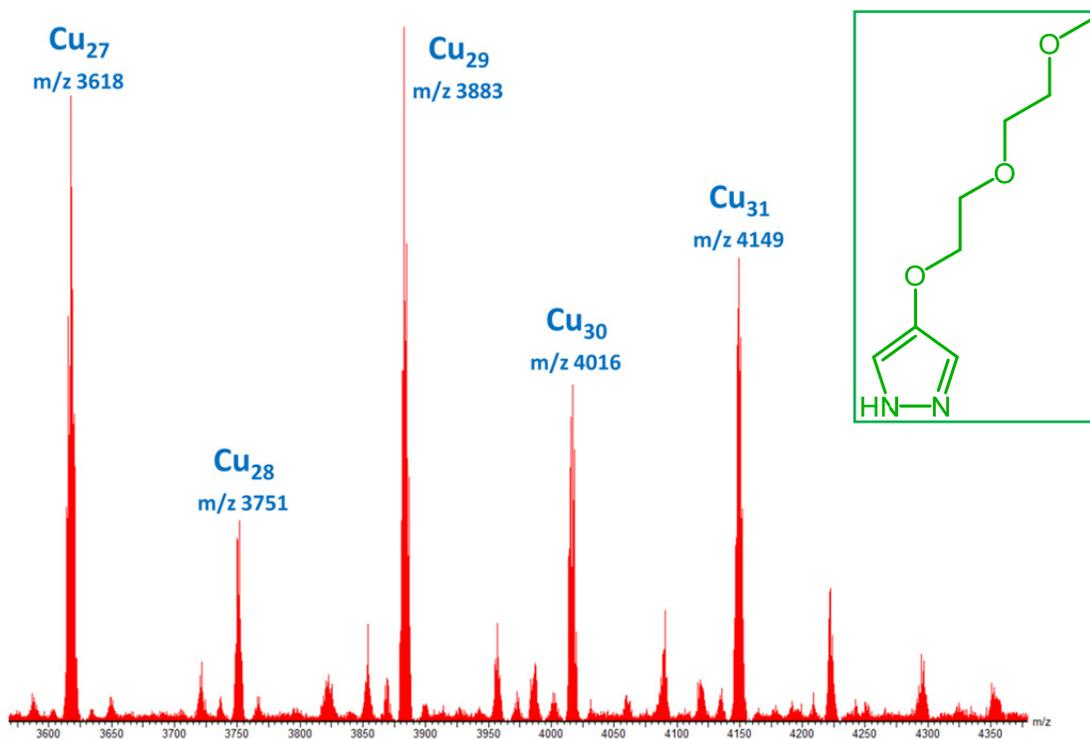


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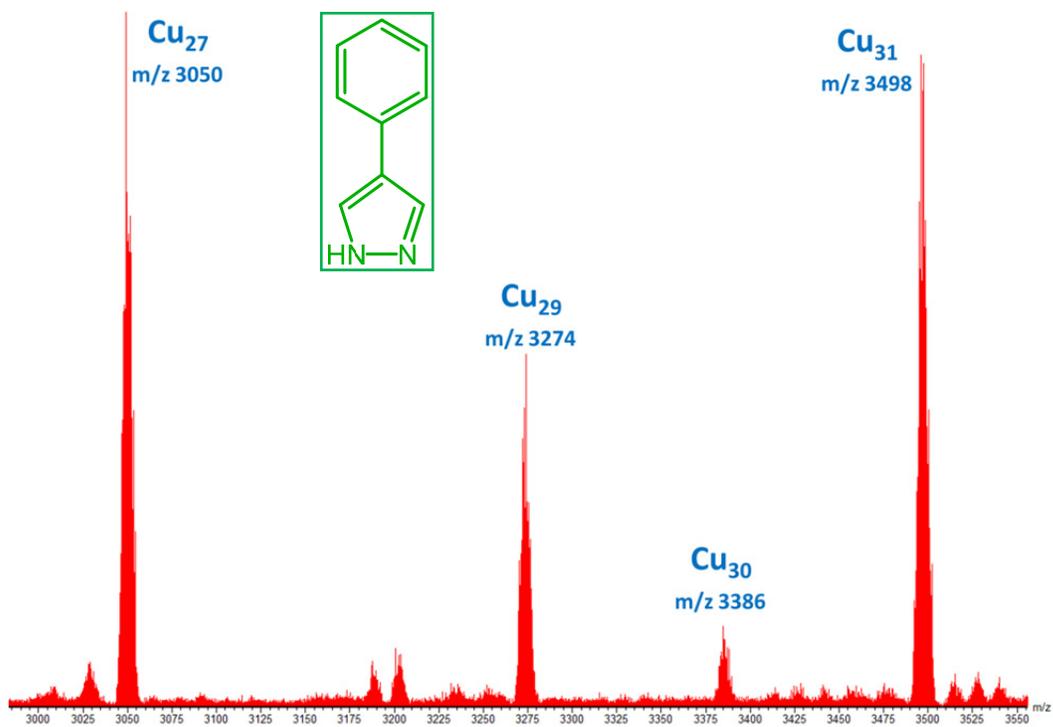


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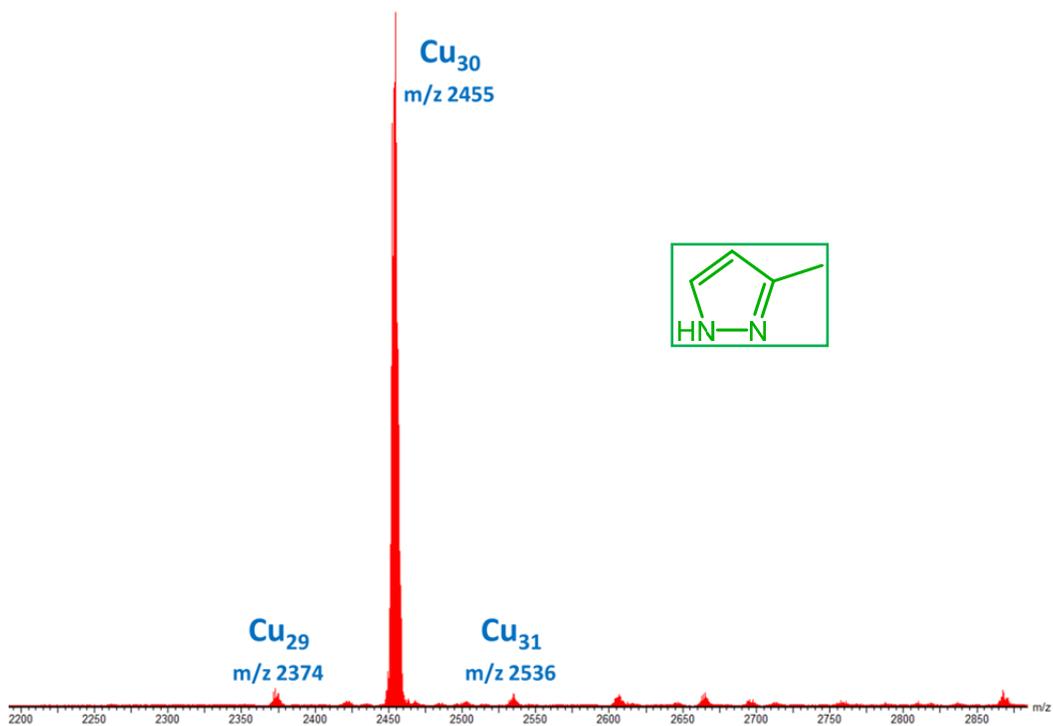


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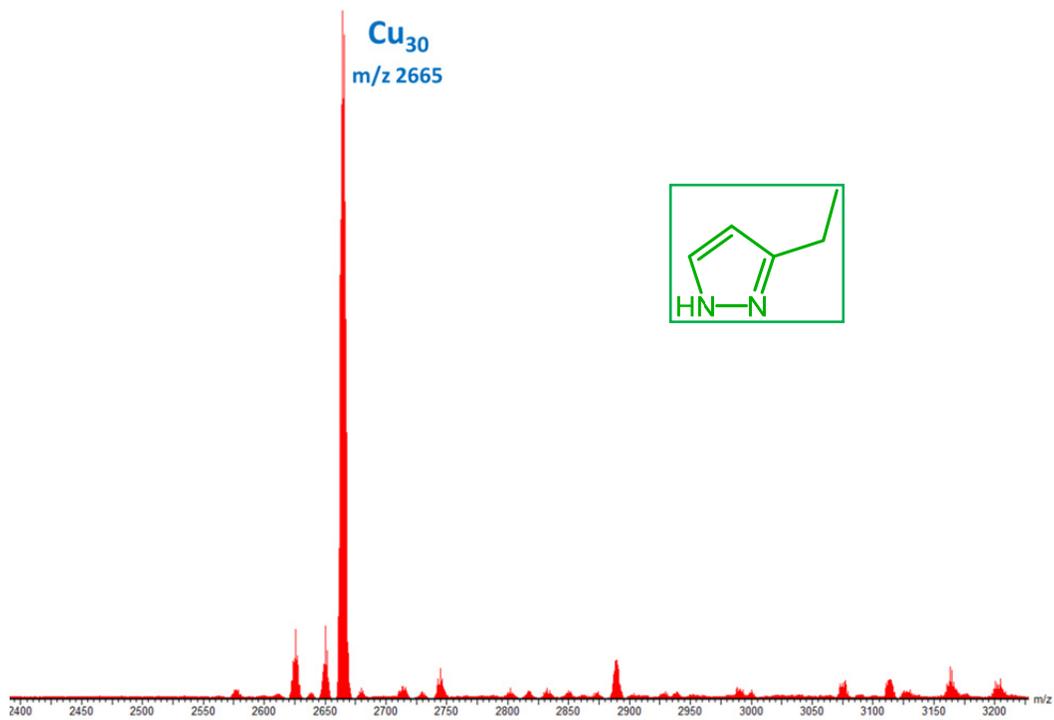


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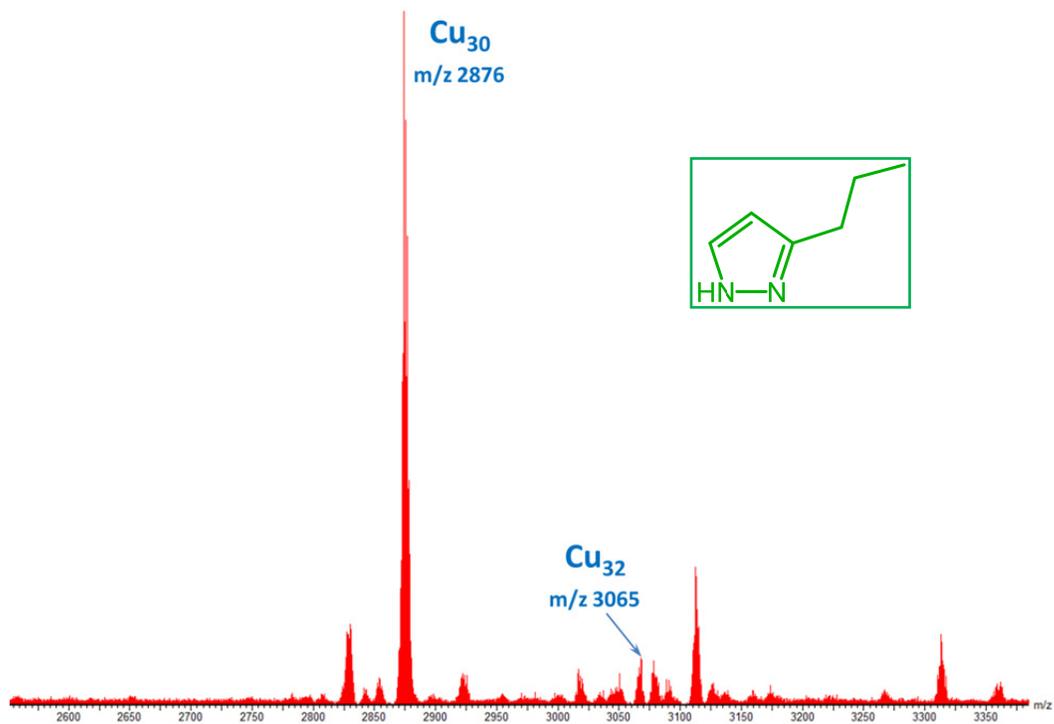


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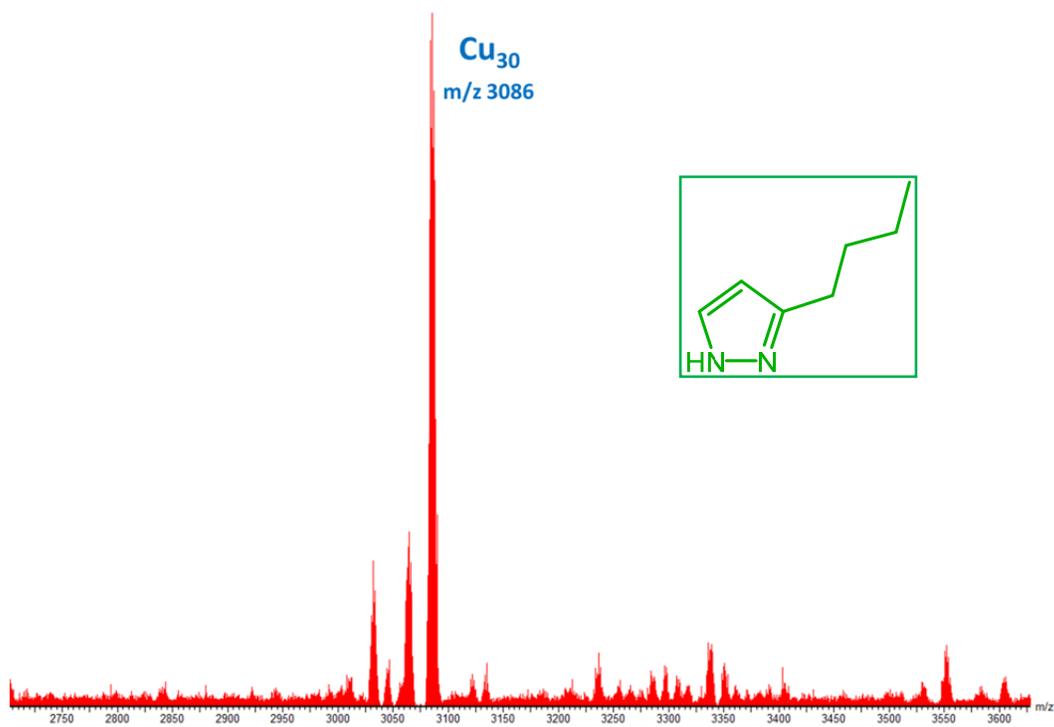


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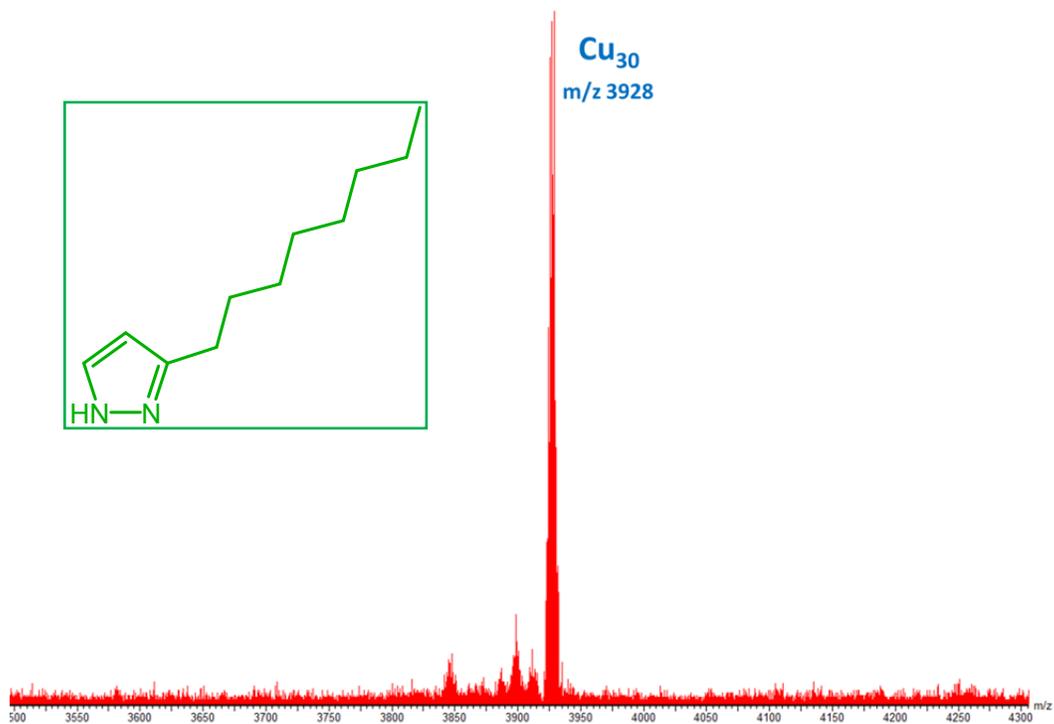


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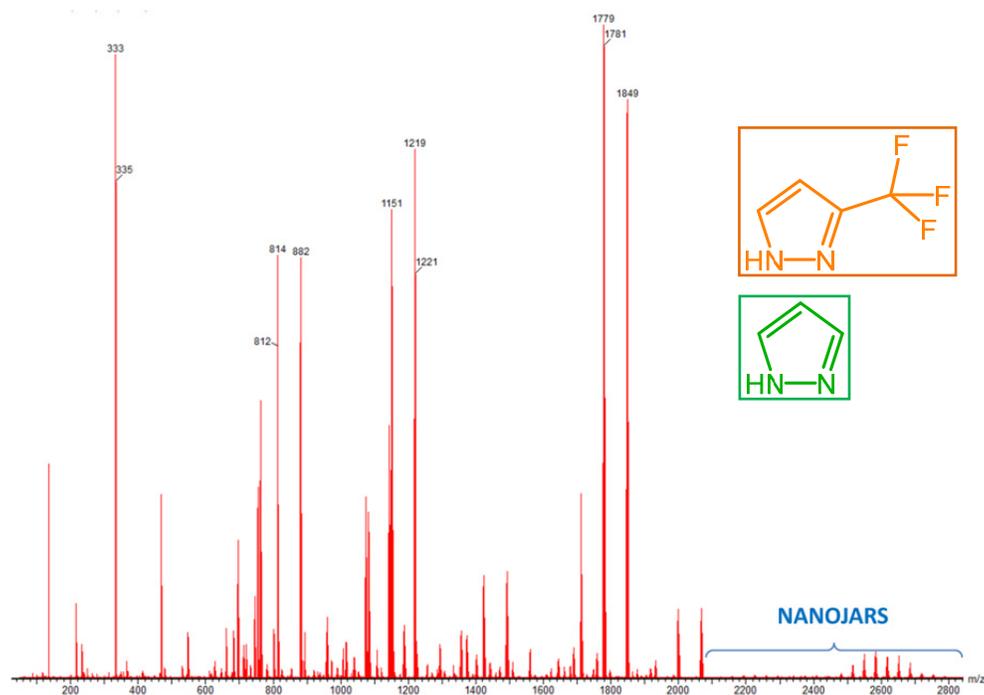


Figure S21. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of the product mixture obtained from $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, 3- CF_3pzH /HpzH (1:1), NaOH, Bu_4NOH and Na_2CO_3 (see $[\text{CO}_3\{\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3\text{-CF}_3\text{pz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ species below).

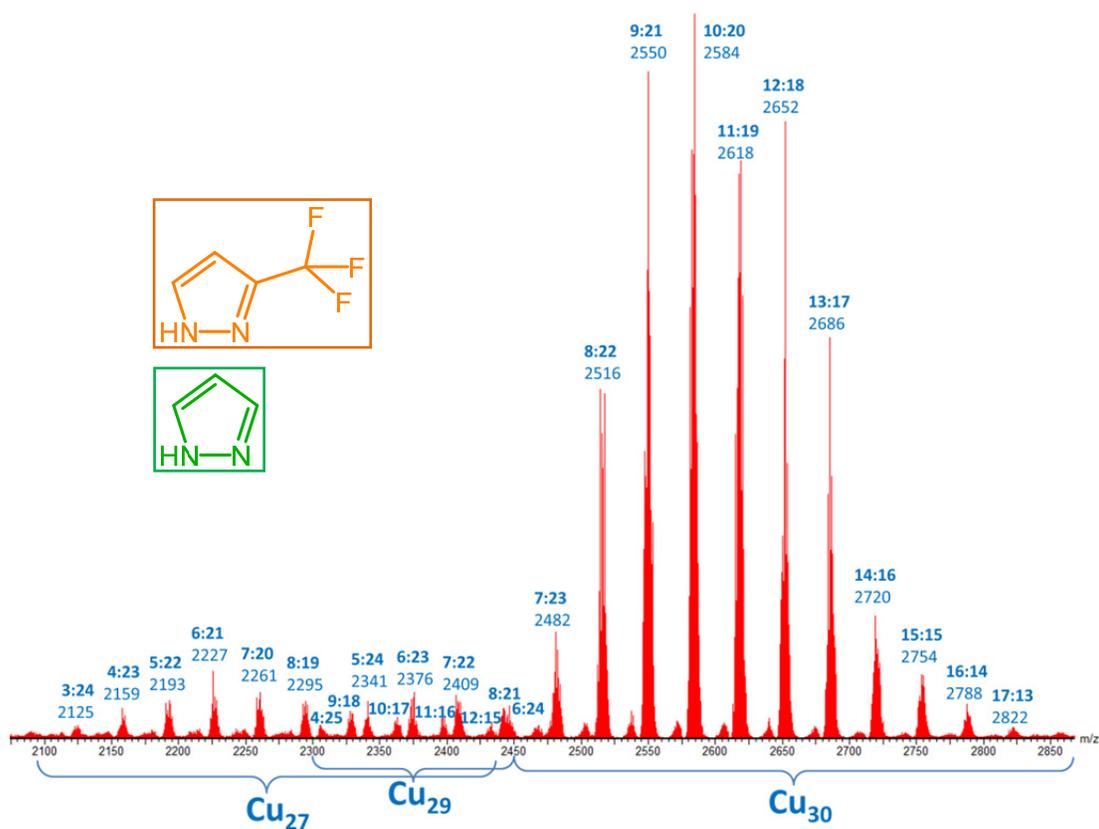


Figure S22. $[\text{CO}_3\{\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3\text{-CF}_3\text{pz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ species observed (y:n-y & m/z shown).

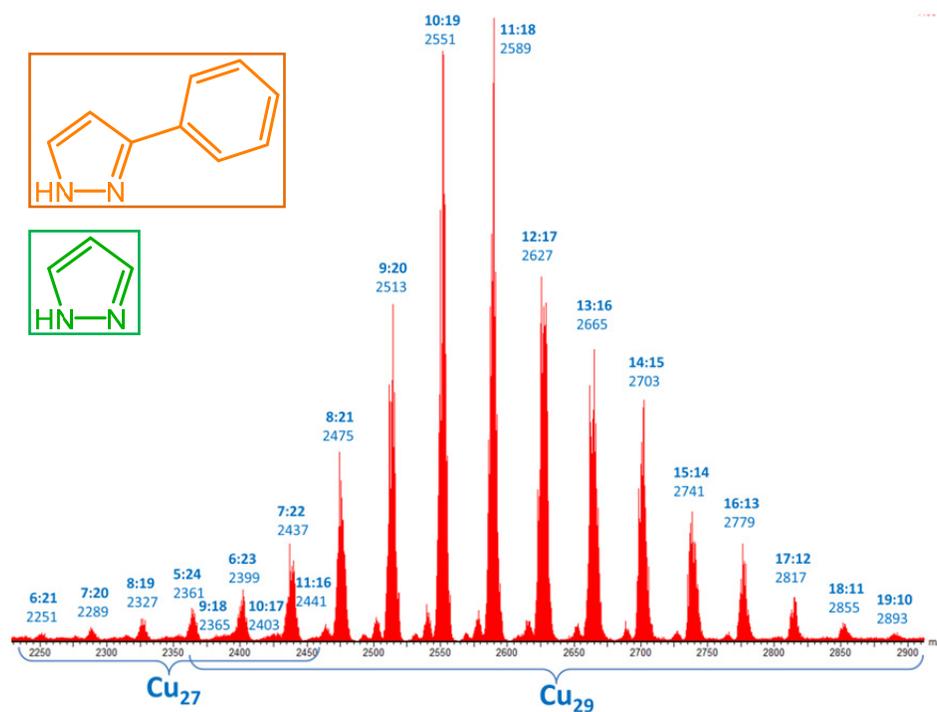


Figure S23. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of $[\text{CO}_3\{-\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3\text{-Phpz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ ($y:n-y$ & m/z shown).

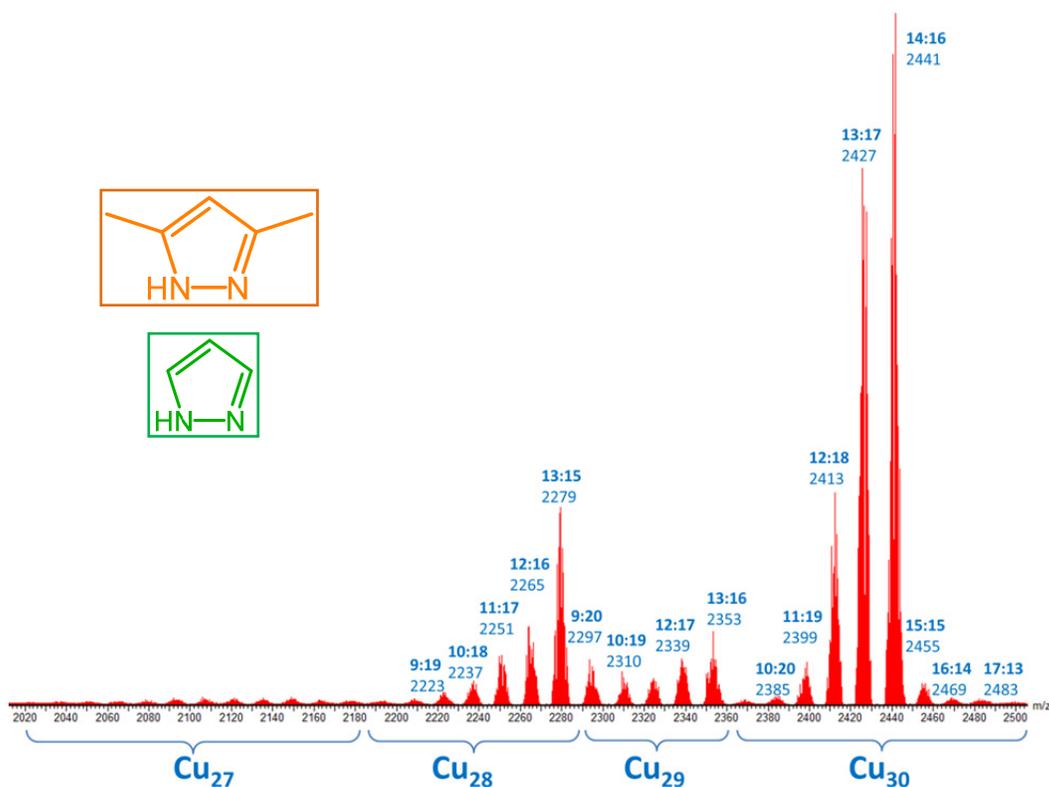


Figure S24. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of $[\text{CO}_3\{-\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3,5\text{-Me}_2\text{pz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ ($y:n-y$ & m/z shown) obtained from $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, 3,5-Me₂pzH/HpzH (1:1), NaOH, Bu₄NOH and Na₂CO₃.

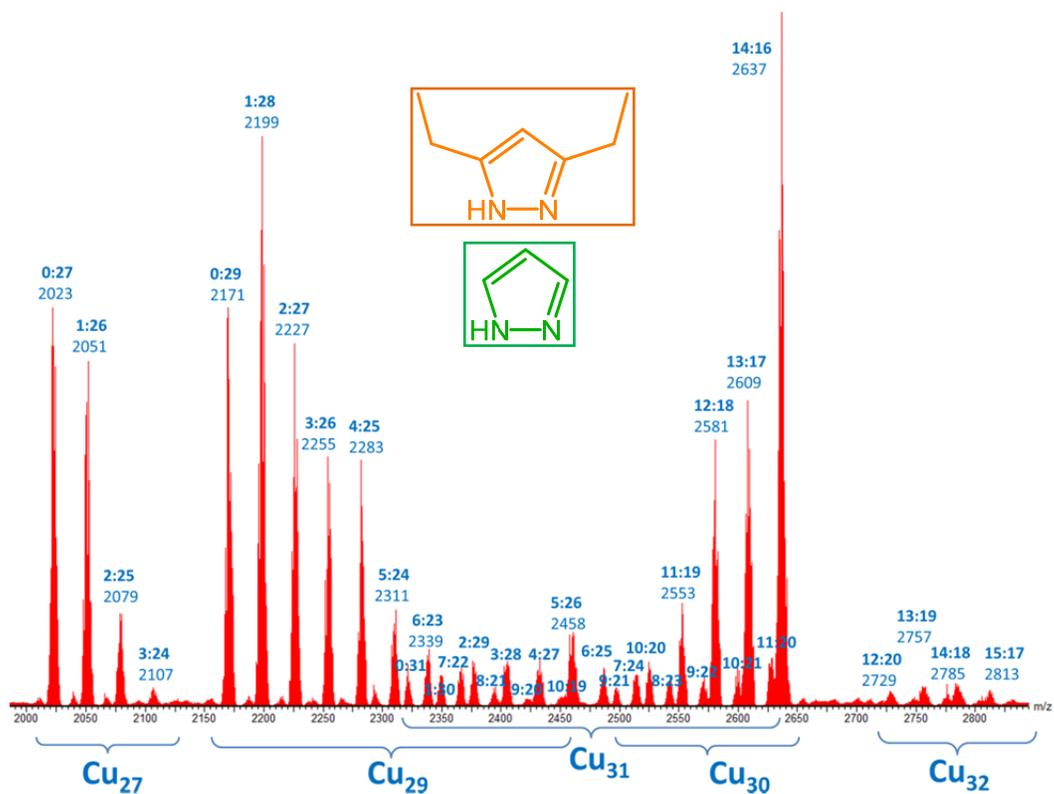


Figure S25. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of $[\text{CO}_3\{-\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3,5\text{-Et}_2\text{pz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ ($y:n-y$ & m/z shown).

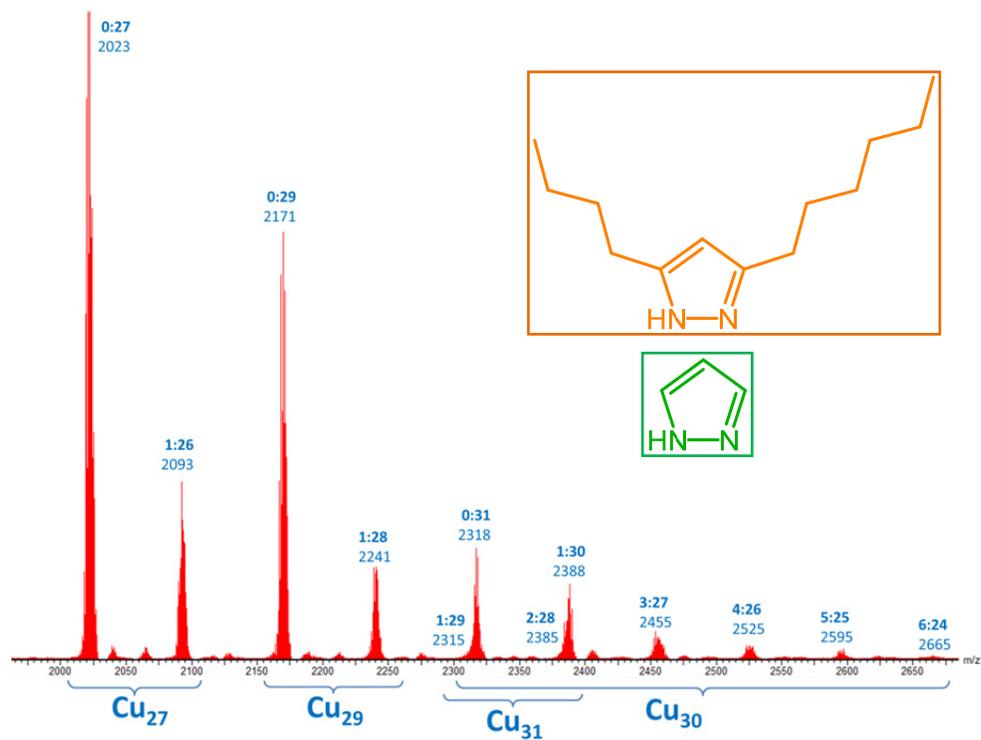


Figure S26. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of $[\text{CO}_3\{-\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3\text{-''Bu-5-''Hexpz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ ($y:n-y$ & m/z shown).

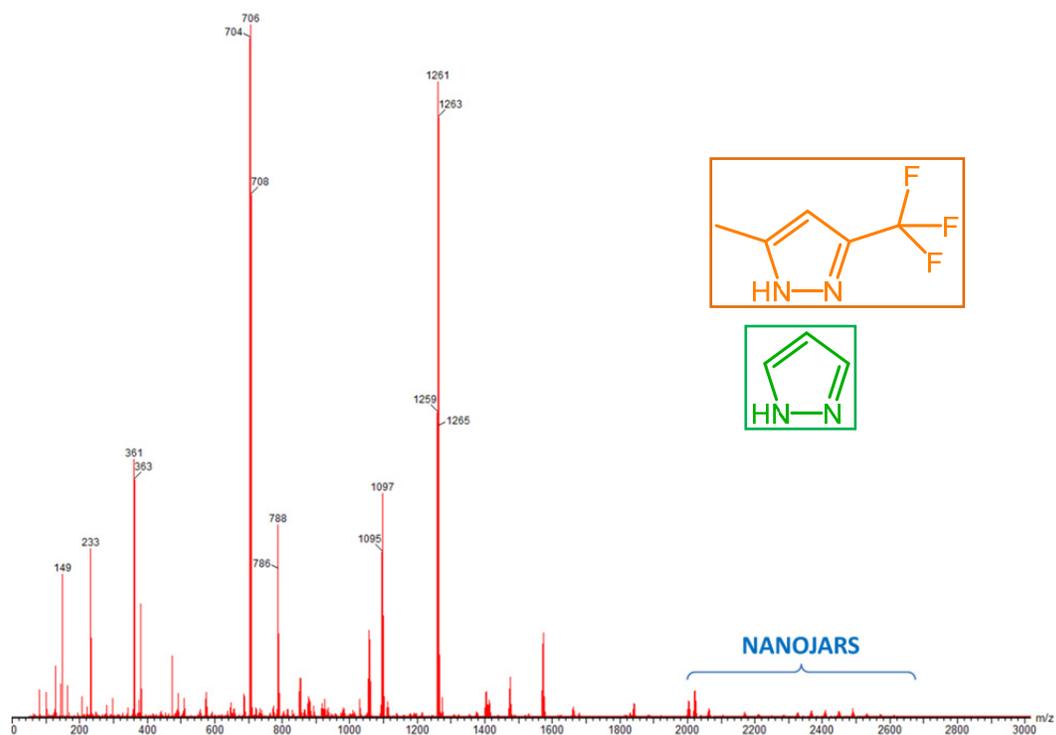


Figure S27. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of the product mixture obtained from $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, 3-Me-5- CF_3pzH /HpzH (1:1), NaOH, Bu_4NOH and Na_2CO_3 (see $[\text{CO}_3\text{C}\{\text{Cu}_n(\text{OH})_n(3\text{-Me-5-}\text{CF}_3\text{pz})_y(\text{pz})_{n-y}\}]^{2-}$ species below).

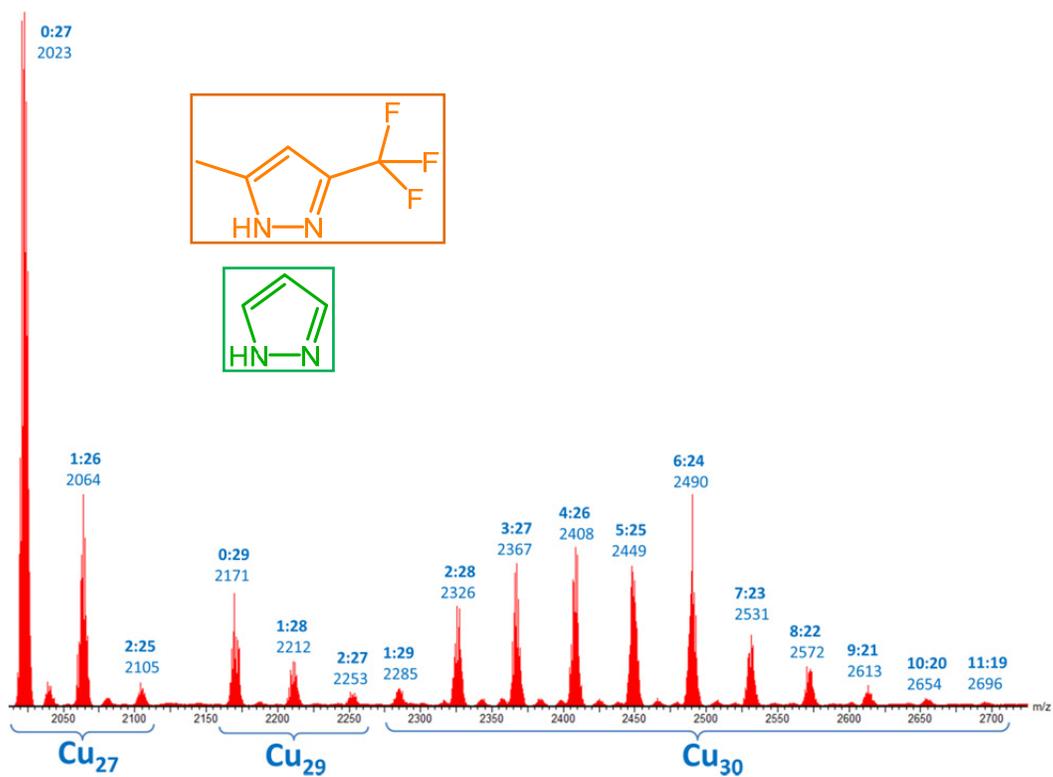


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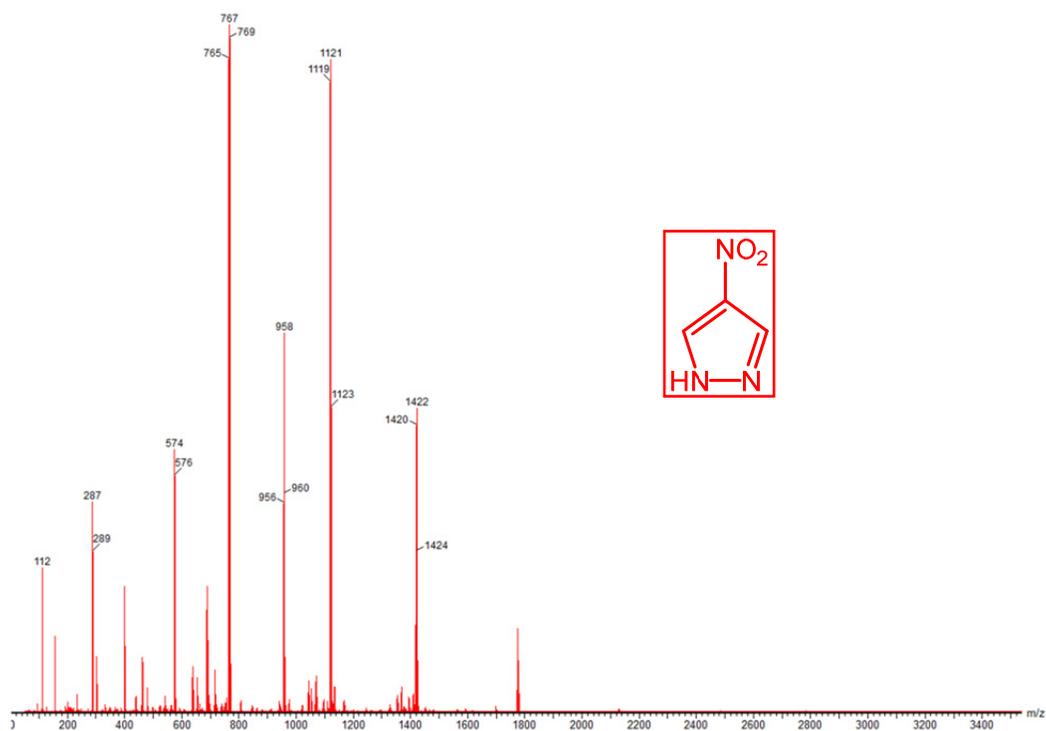


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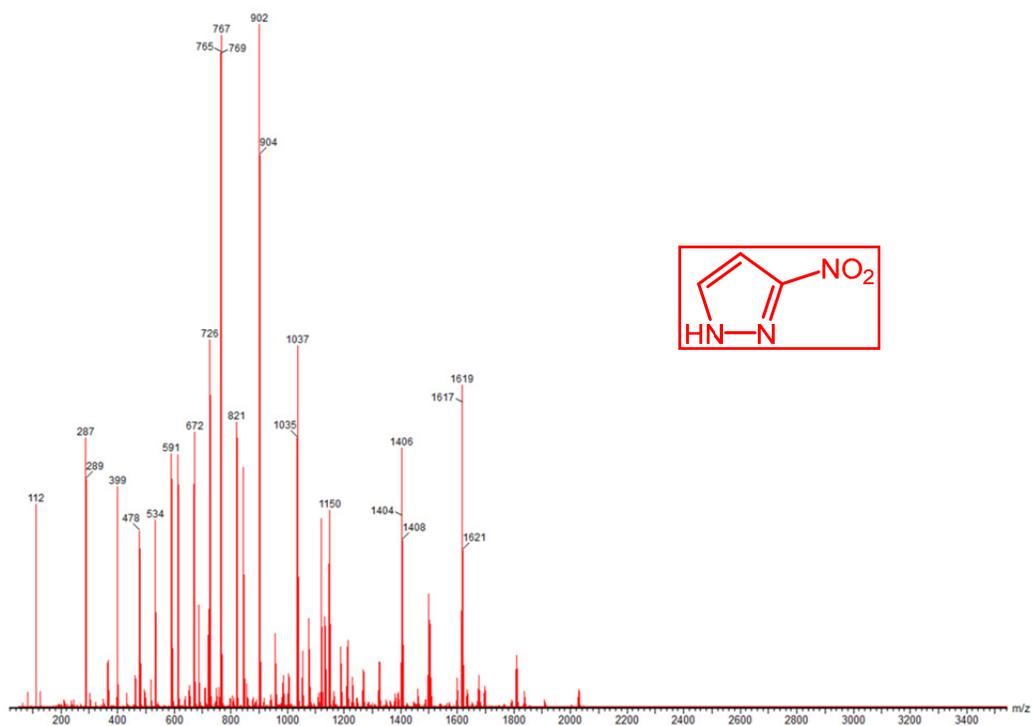


Figure S30. ESI-MS(-) spectrum of the product mixture obtained from $\text{Cu}(\text{NO}_3)_2$, 3- NO_2pzH , NaOH , Bu_4NOH and Na_2CO_3 .

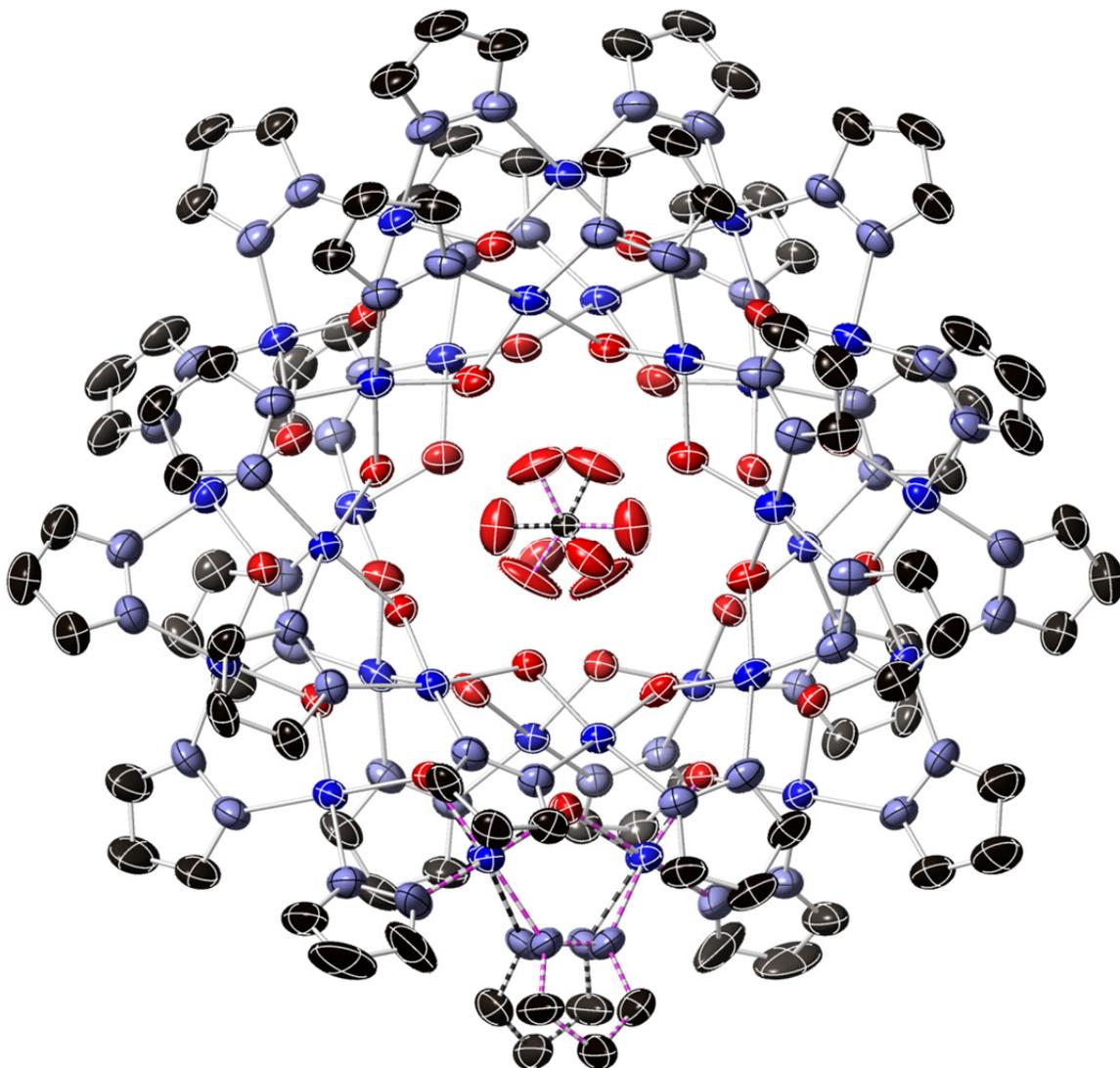


Figure S31. Thermal ellipsoid plot (50% probability) of Et₄N-1·2H₂O. H-atoms, counterions and solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Color code: Cu–dark blue; O–red; N–light blue; C–black.

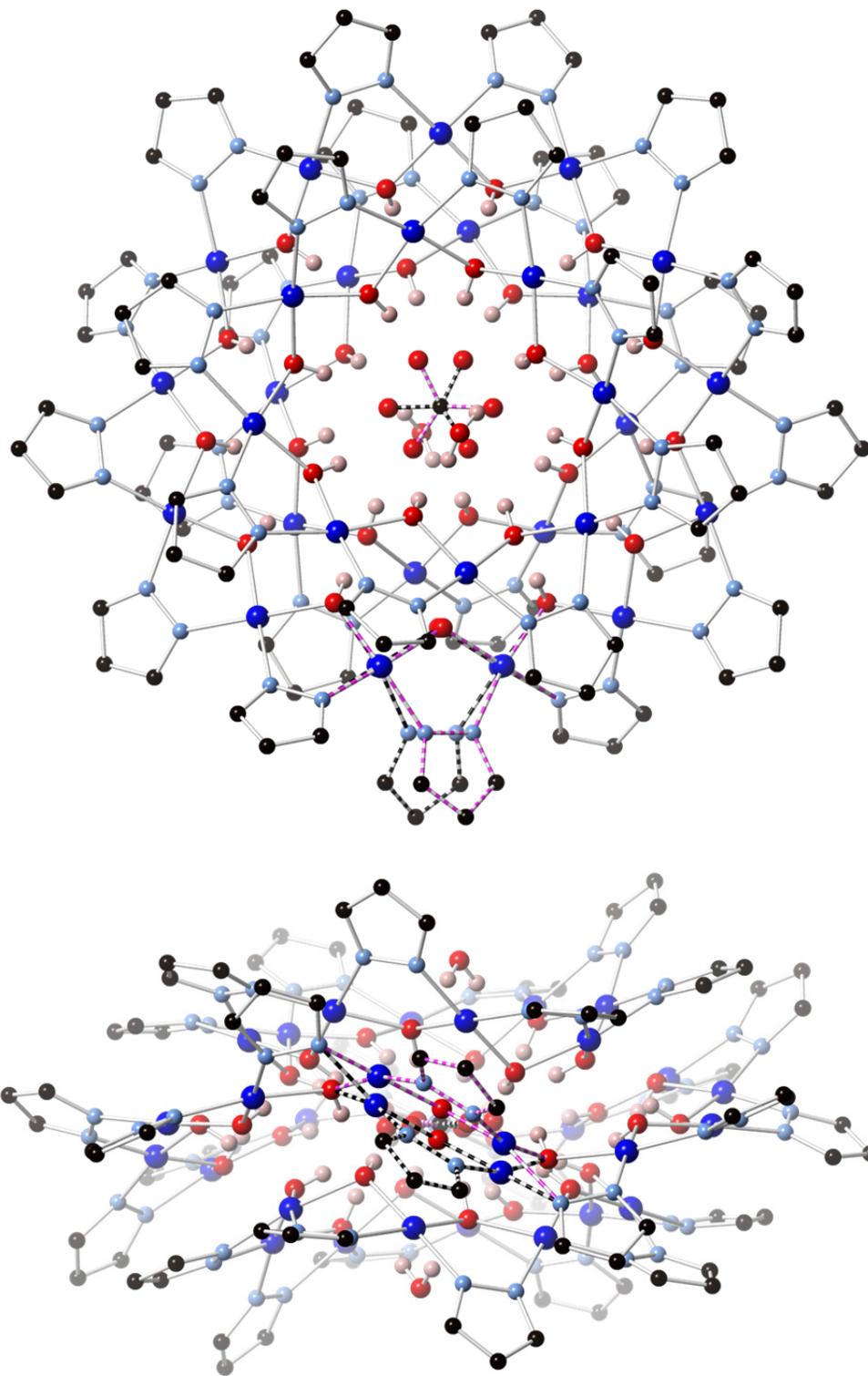


Figure S32. Ball-and-stick representation (top- and side-views) of Et₄N-1·2H₂O, showing the position of the disordered pyrazole and carbonate units. Color code: Cu–dark blue; O–red; N–light blue; C–black; H–pink. C–H hydrogen atoms, solvent and counterion molecules are omitted for clarity.

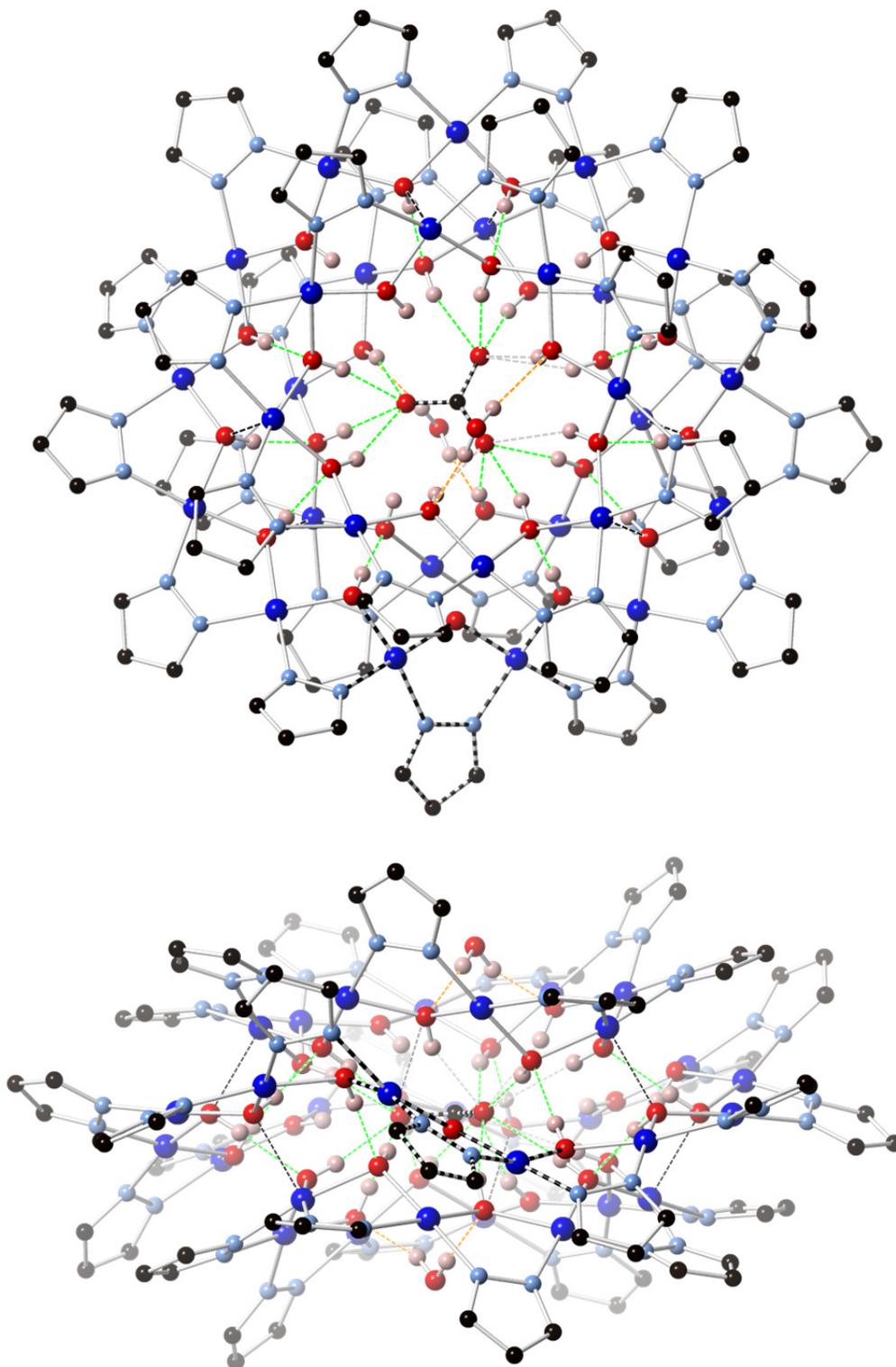


Figure S33. Top- and side-views of Et₄N-1·2H₂O, showing the hydrogen-bonding pattern (green dashed lines; orange for the H₂O molecules) and axial Cu-O interactions (black dashed lines). Color code: Cu–dark blue; O–red; N–light blue; C–black; H–pink. Only one position of the disordered pyrazole and carbonate units is shown. C–H hydrogen atoms, solvent and counterion molecules are omitted for clarity.

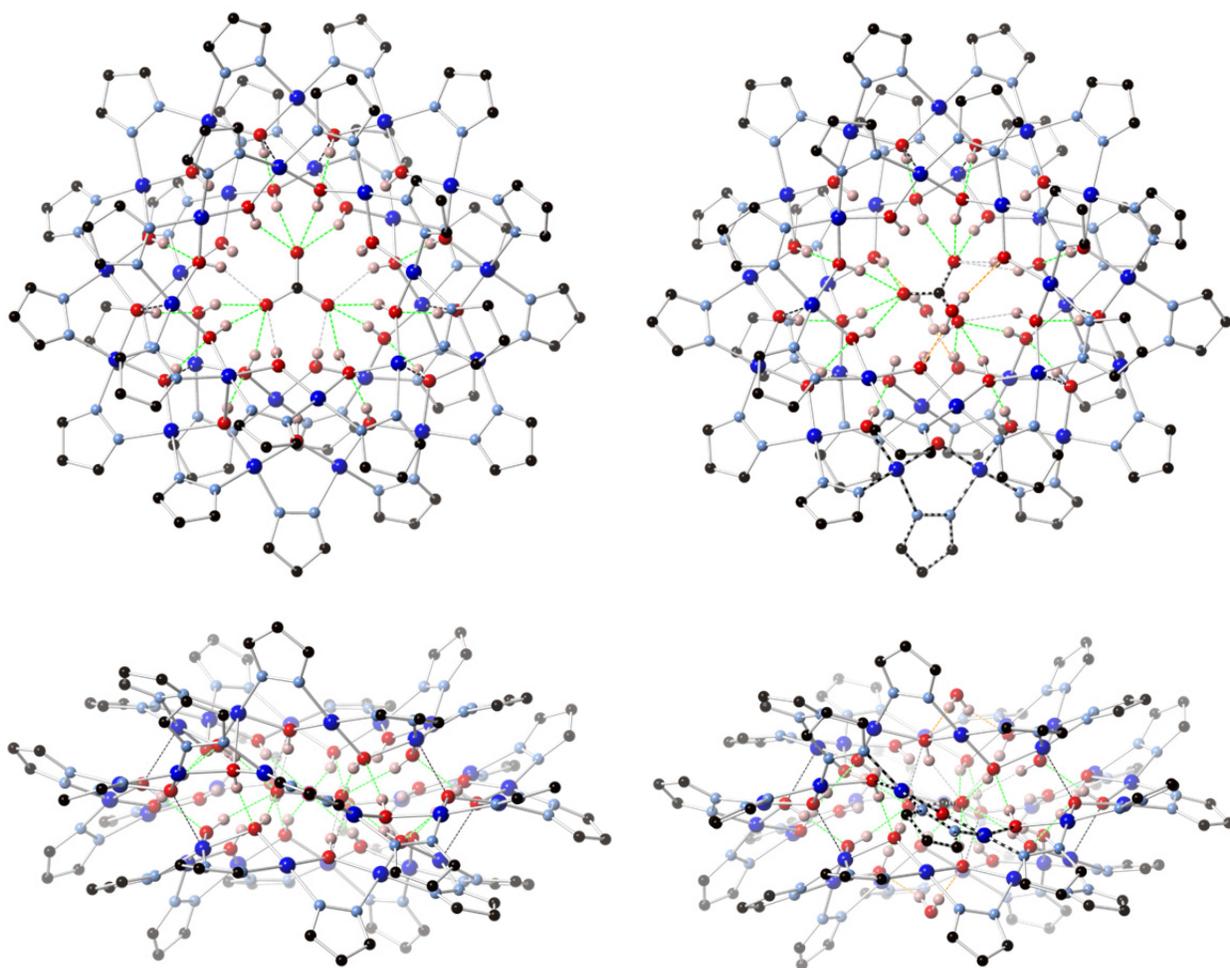


Figure S34. Comparison (top- and side-views) of the near-identical structures of Bu₄N-1 (left) and Et₄N-1·2H₂O (right; only one position of the disordered pyrazole and carbonate units is shown).

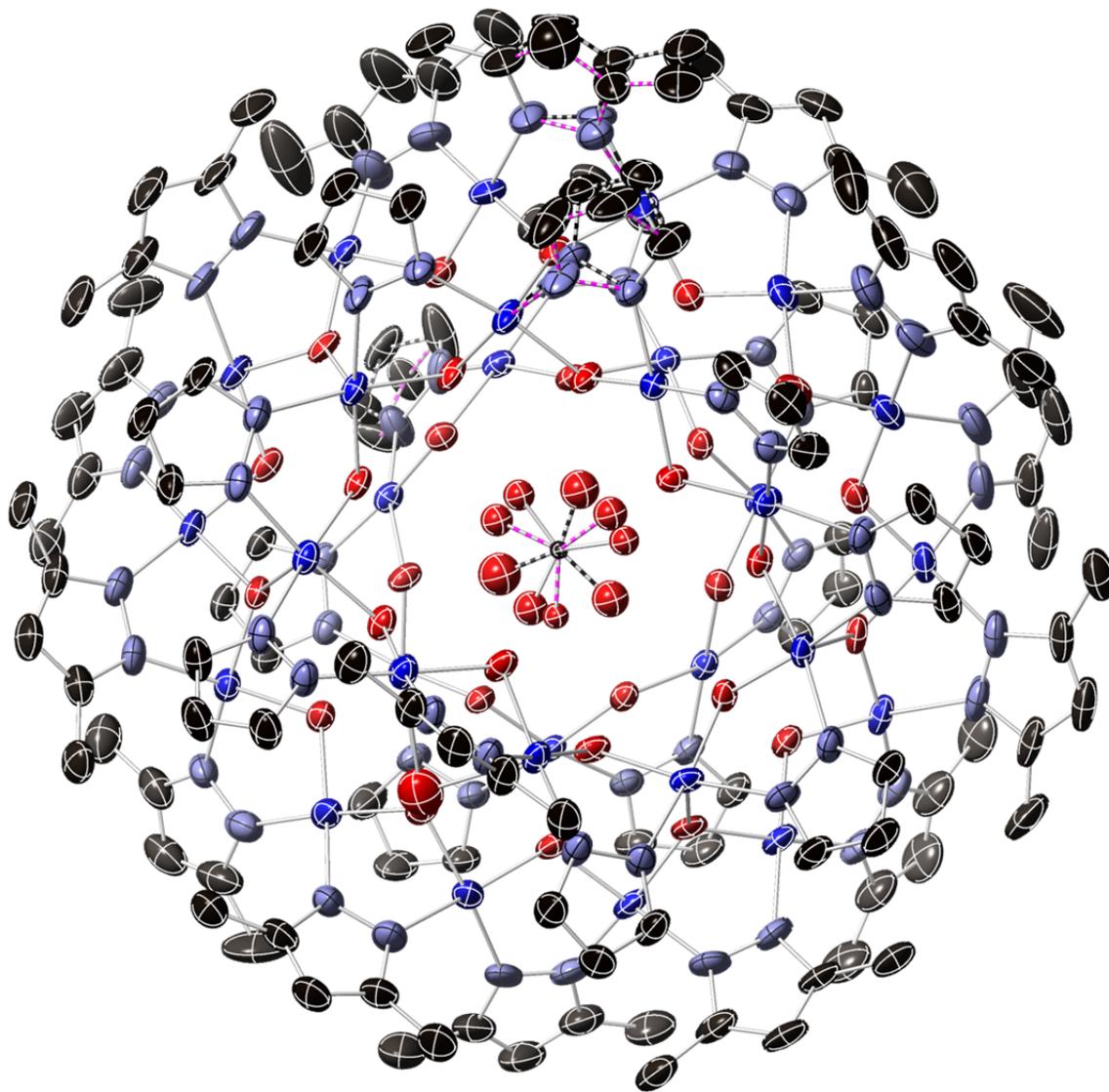


Figure S35. Thermal ellipsoid plot (50% probability) of **2**. H-atoms, counterions and solvent molecules are omitted for clarity. Color code: Cu–dark blue; O–red; N–light blue; C–black.

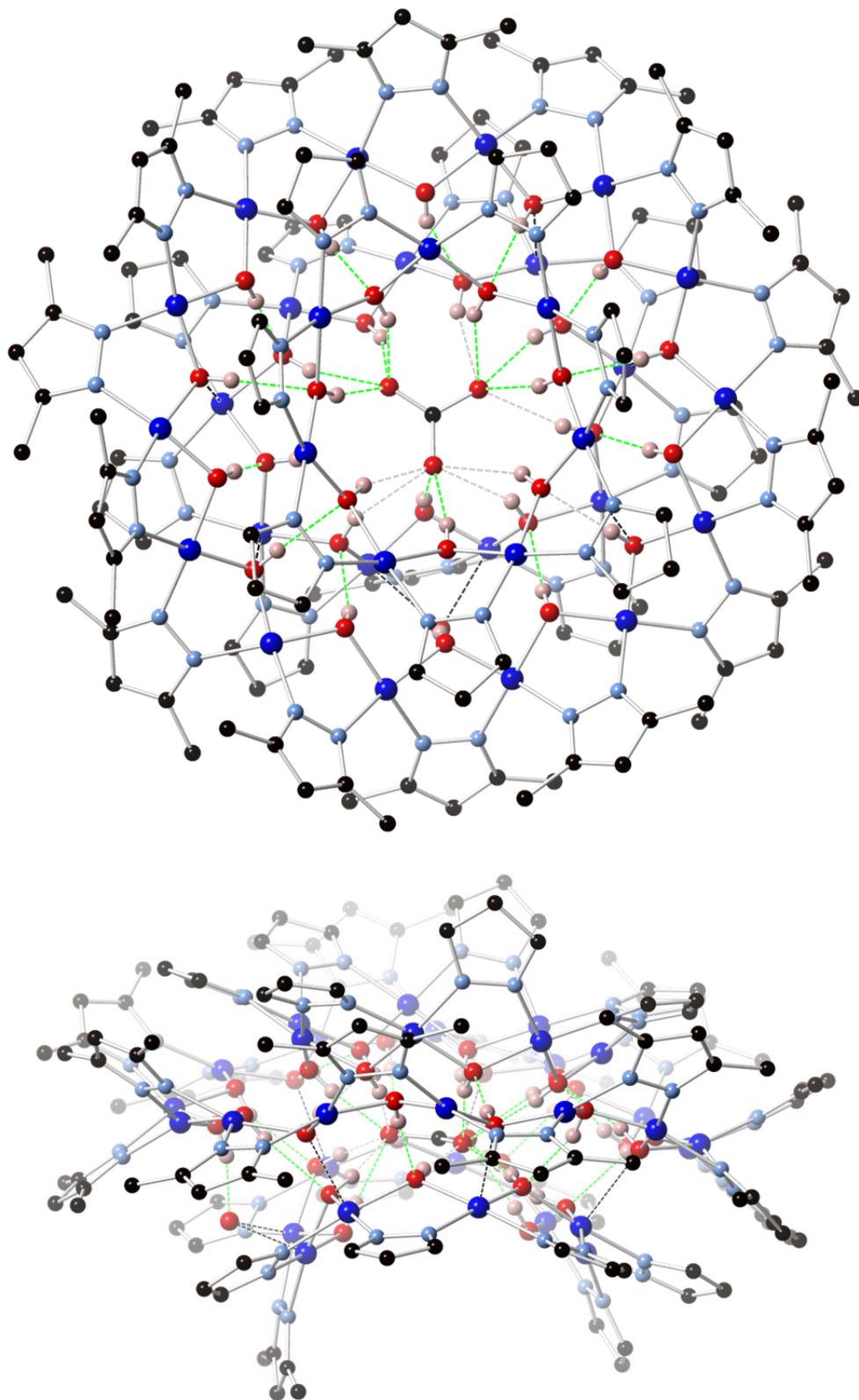


Figure S36. Top- and side-views of **2** (for clarity, only the major component of the disordered units is shown). H-bonds are shown as green dashed lines, and weak Cu–O bonds as black dashed lines.

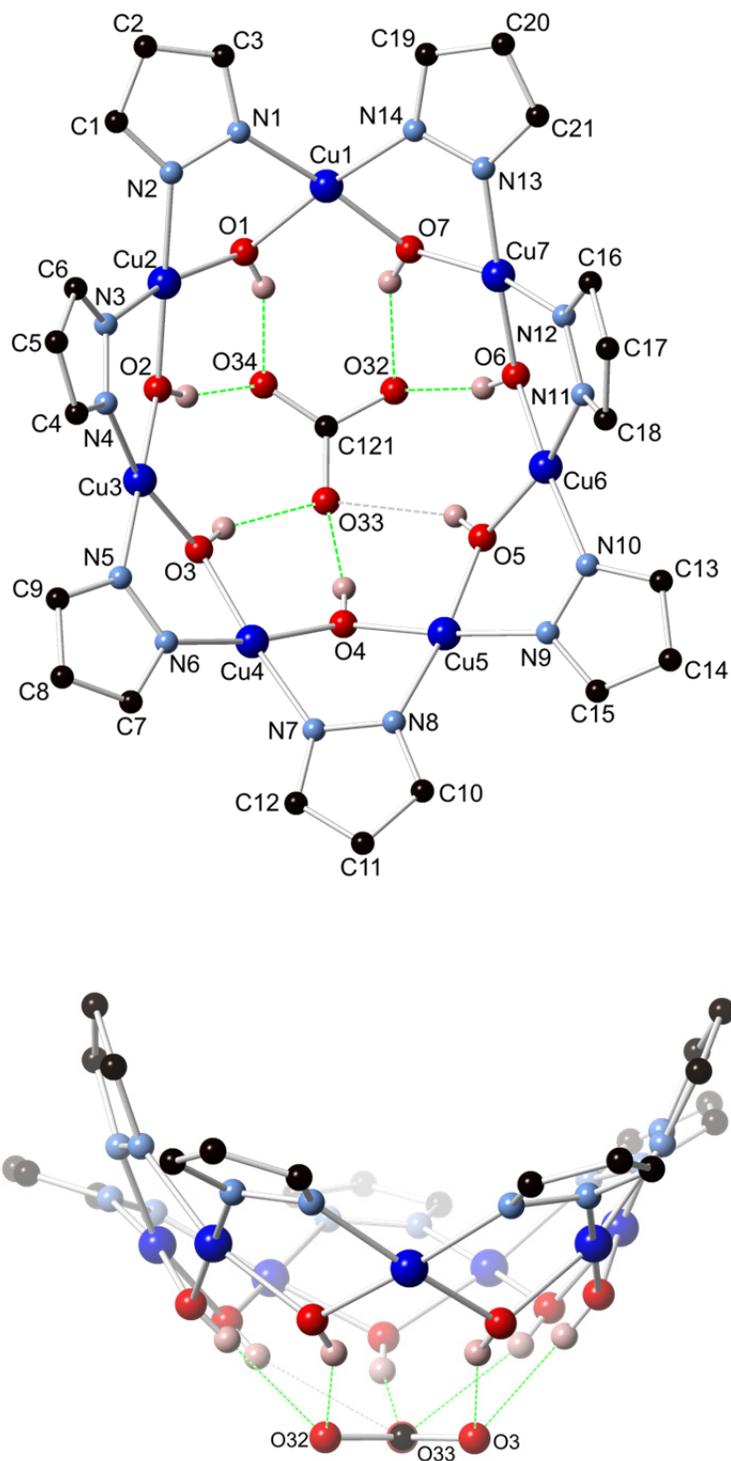


Figure S37. Top- and side-views of the Cu₇-ring in **2**, showing hydrogen-bonding (green dashed lines for O···O distances <3.00(5) Å, grey dashed lines for O···O distances 3.00(5)–3.20(5) Å) to the carbonate ion (only the major component of the disordered units is shown).

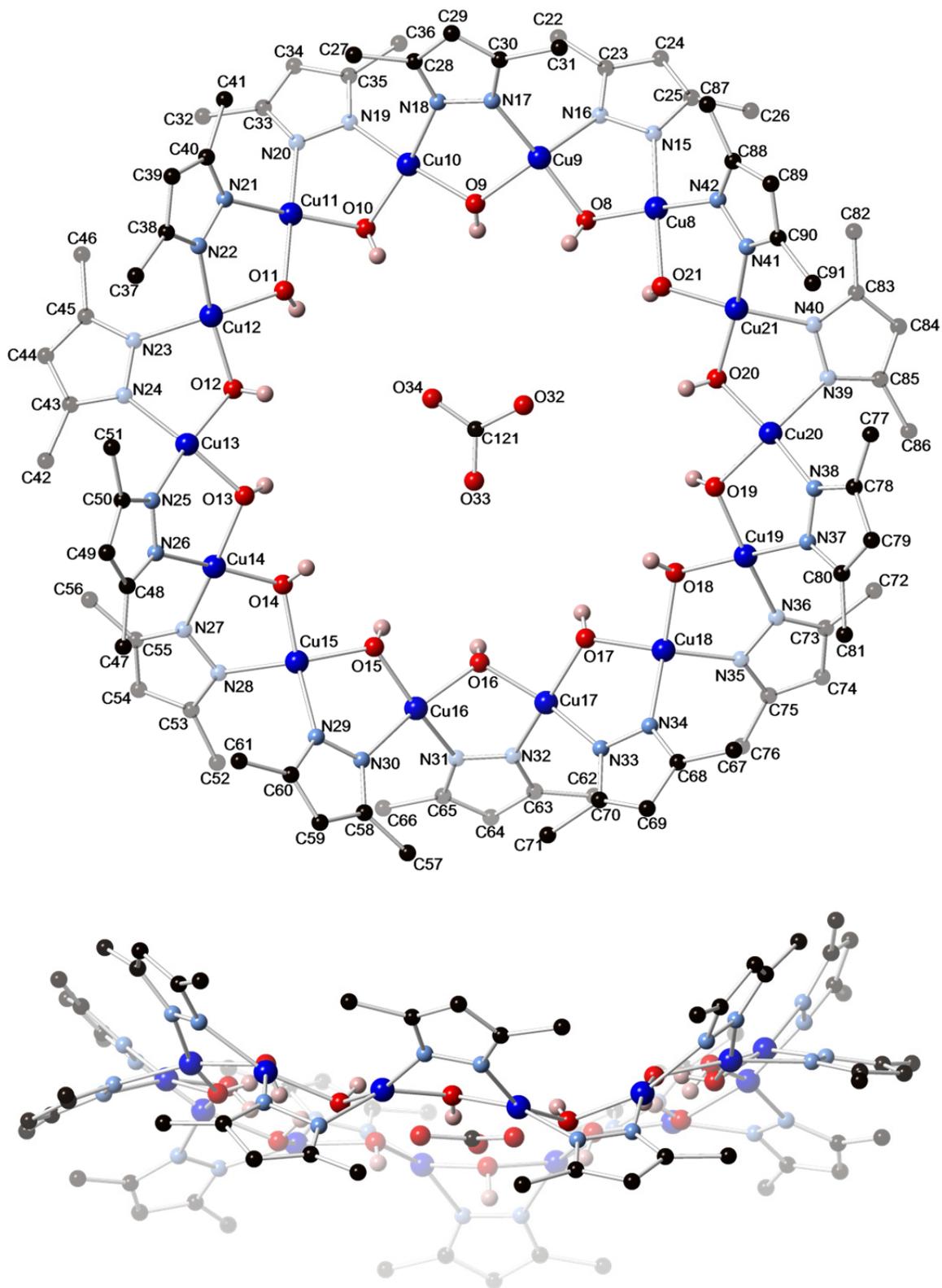


Figure S38. Top- and side-views of the Cu₁₄-ring in **2**, with the carbonate ion at the center (only the major component of the disordered units is shown).

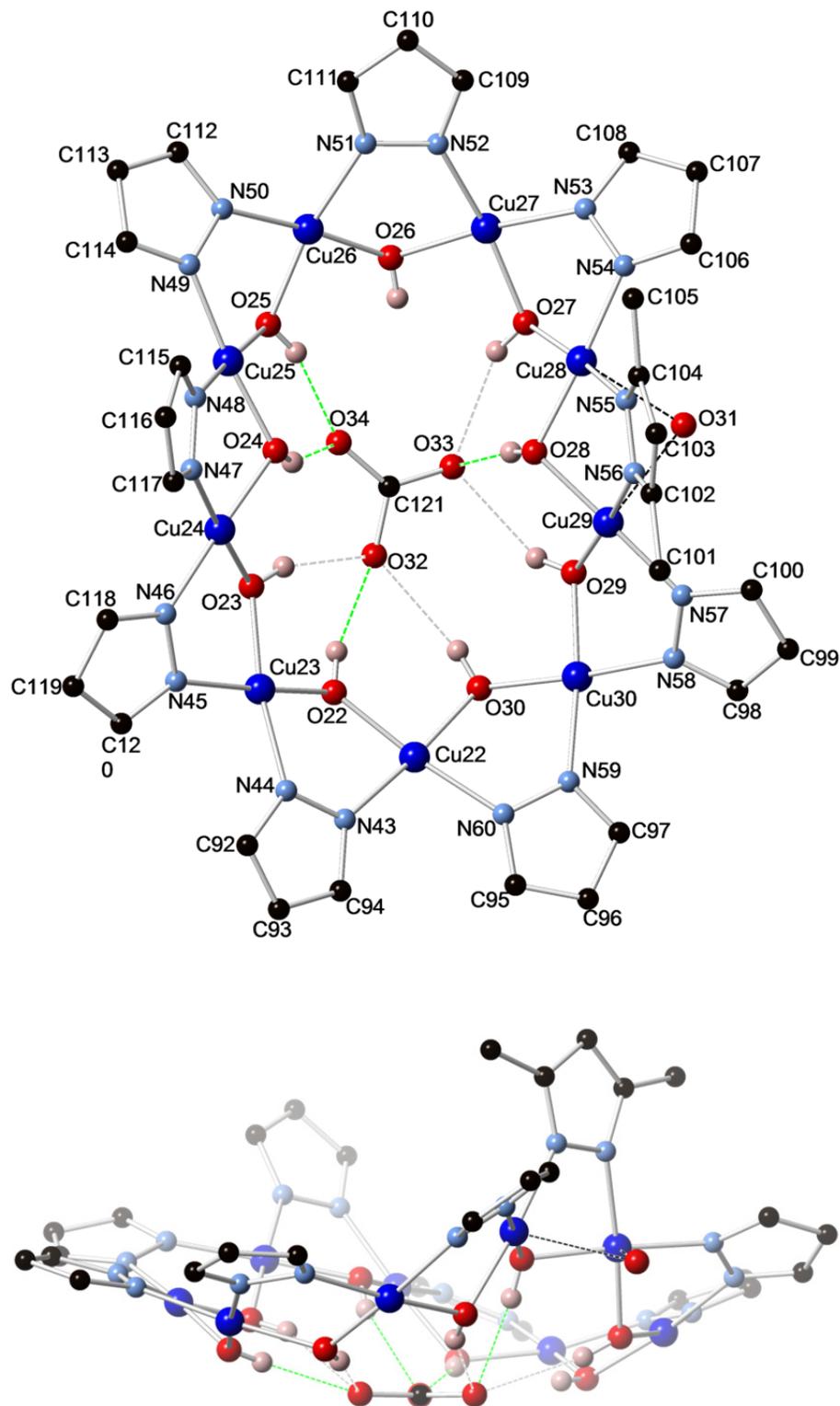


Figure S39. Top- and side-views of the Cu₉-ring in **2**, showing hydrogen-bonding (green dashed lines for O···O distances <3.00(5) Å, grey dashed lines for O···O distances 3.00(5)–3.20(5) Å) to the carbonate ion (only the major component of the disordered units is shown). Cu–O bonds to the H₂O molecule are shown with black dashed lines.

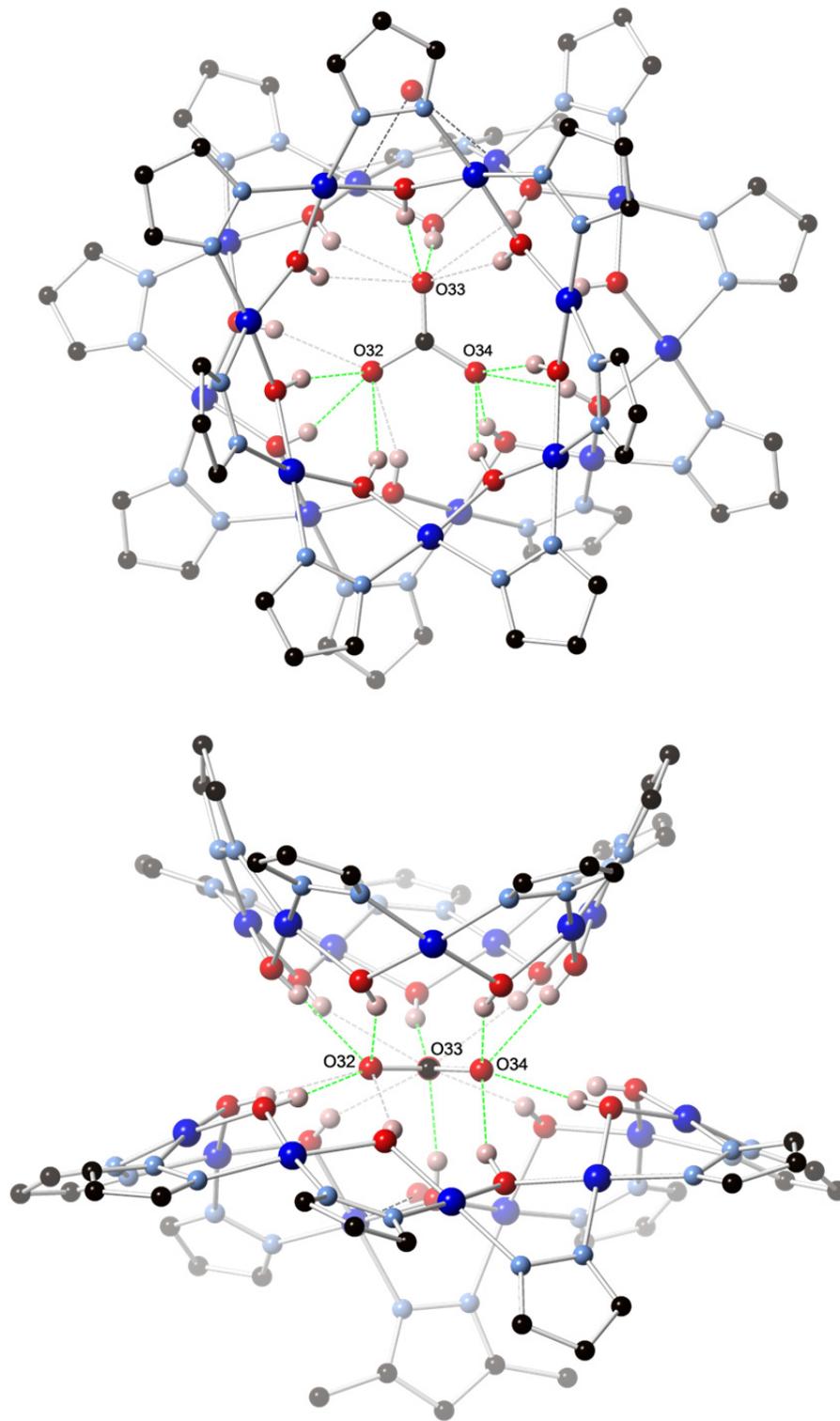


Figure S40. Top- and side-views of the Cu₇- and Cu₉-rings in **2**, showing hydrogen-bonding (green dashed lines for O···O distances <3.00(5) Å, grey dashed lines for O···O distances 3.00(5)–3.20(5) Å) to the carbonate ion (only the major component of the disordered units is shown). Cu–O bonds to the H₂O molecule are shown with black dashed lines.

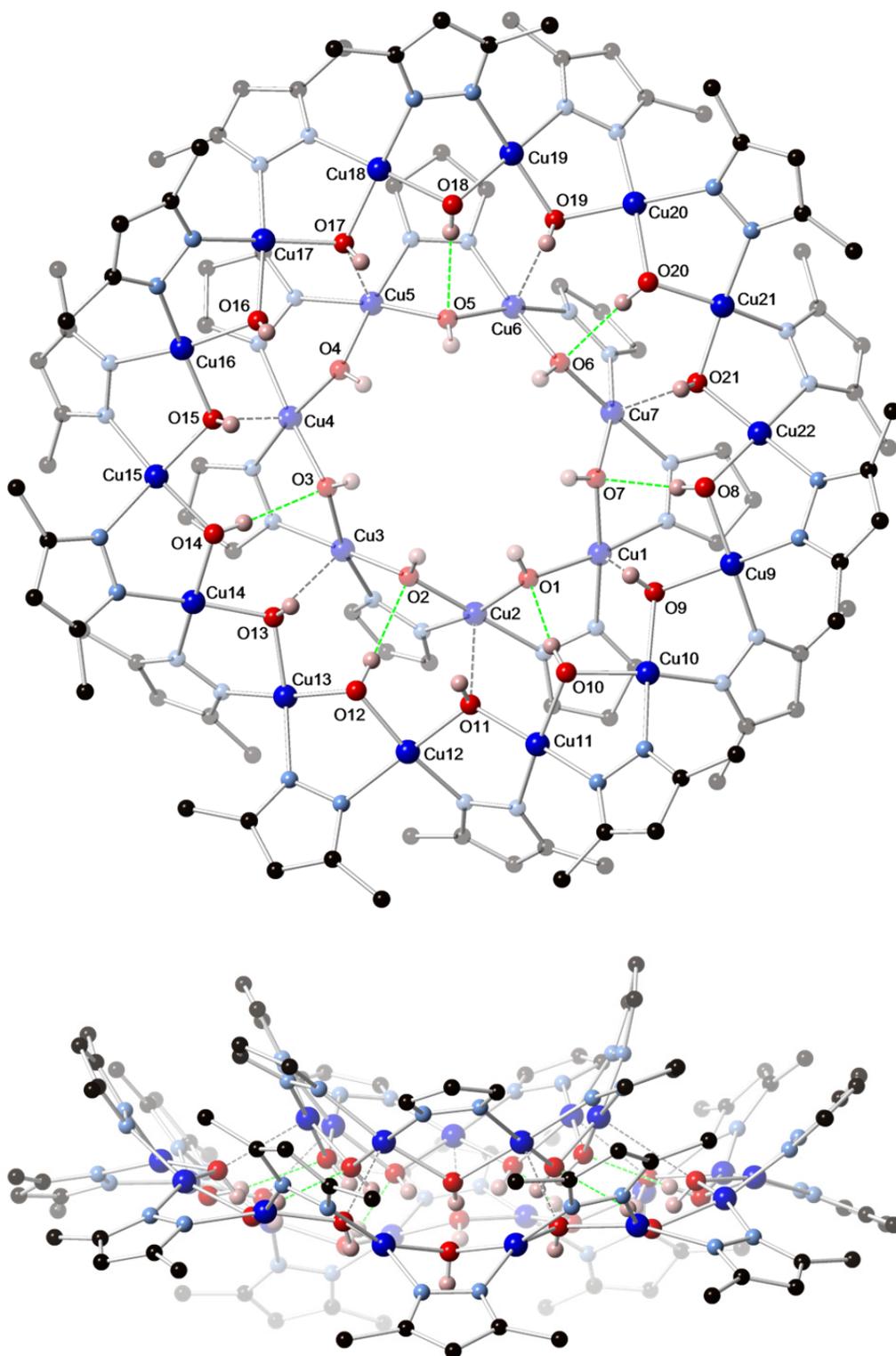


Figure S41. Top- and side-views of the Cu₇- and Cu₁₄-rings in **2**, showing hydrogen-bonding (green dashed lines for O···O distances <3.00(5) Å, grey dashed lines for O···O distances 3.00(5)–3.20(5) Å) and axial Cu-O interactions (black dashed lines for Cu···O distances <2.50 Å) (only the major component of the disordered units is shown).

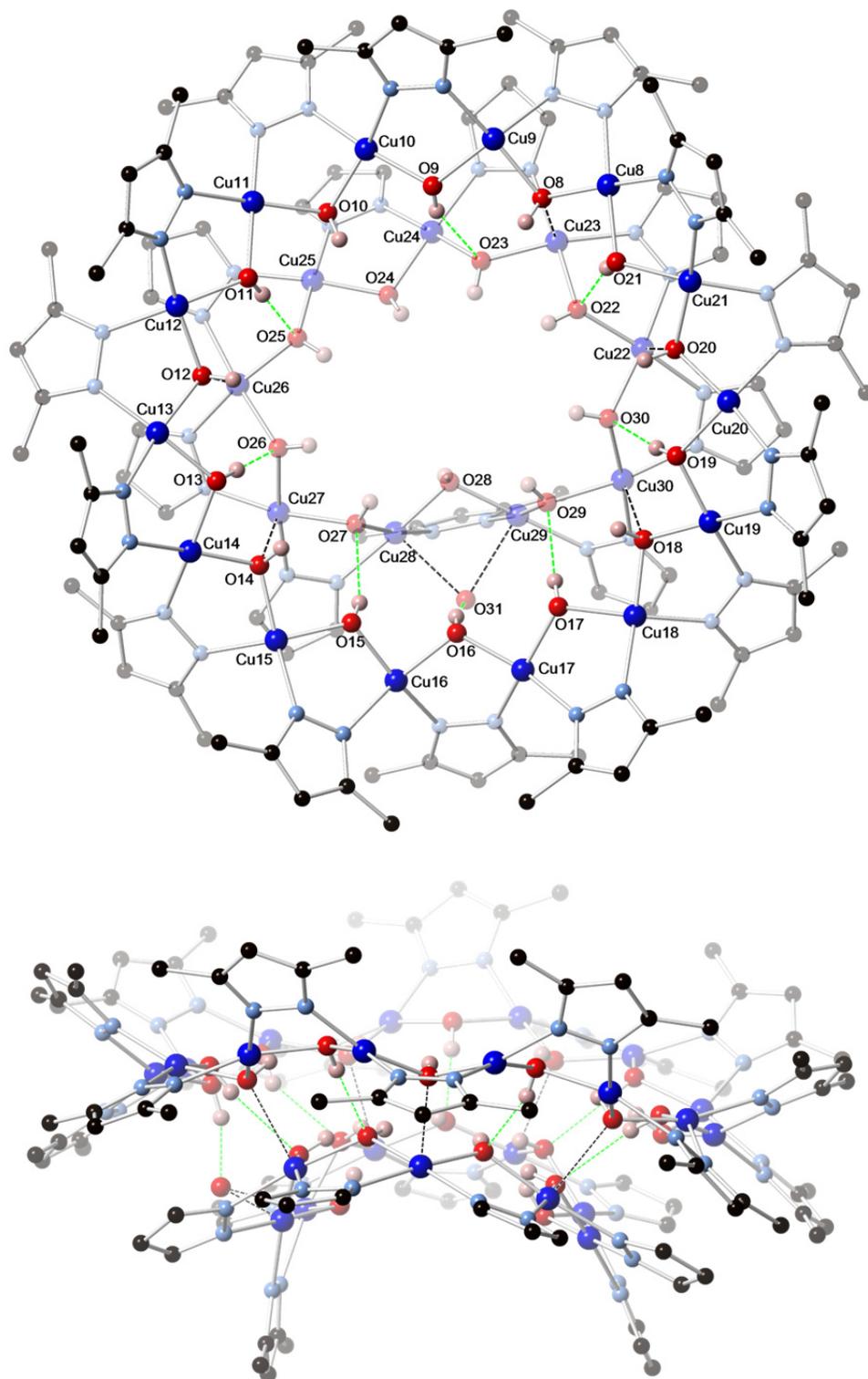


Figure S42. Top- and side-views of the Cu₉- and Cu₁₄-rings in **2**, showing hydrogen-bonding (green dashed lines for O···O distances <3.00(5) Å, grey dashed lines for O···O distances 3.00(5)–3.20(5) Å) and axial Cu-O interactions (black dashed lines for Cu···O distances <2.50 Å) between the two (only the major component of the disordered units is shown).

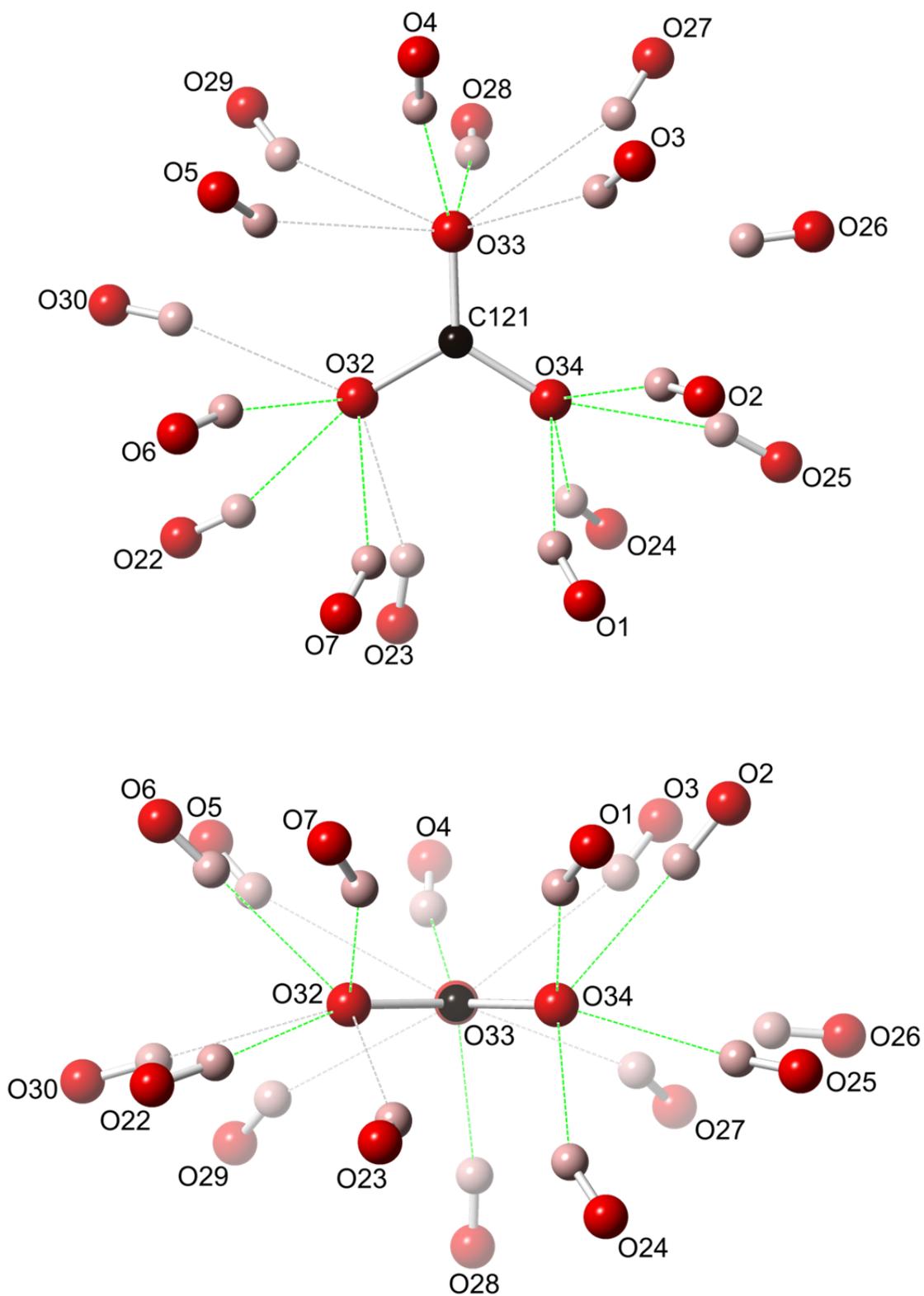


Figure S43. Top- and side-views of the hydrogen-bonding pattern (green dashed lines for O \cdots O distances <3.00(5) Å, grey dashed lines for O \cdots O distances 3.00(5)–3.20(5) Å) to the carbonate ion in **2** (only the major component of the disordered carbonate ion is shown).

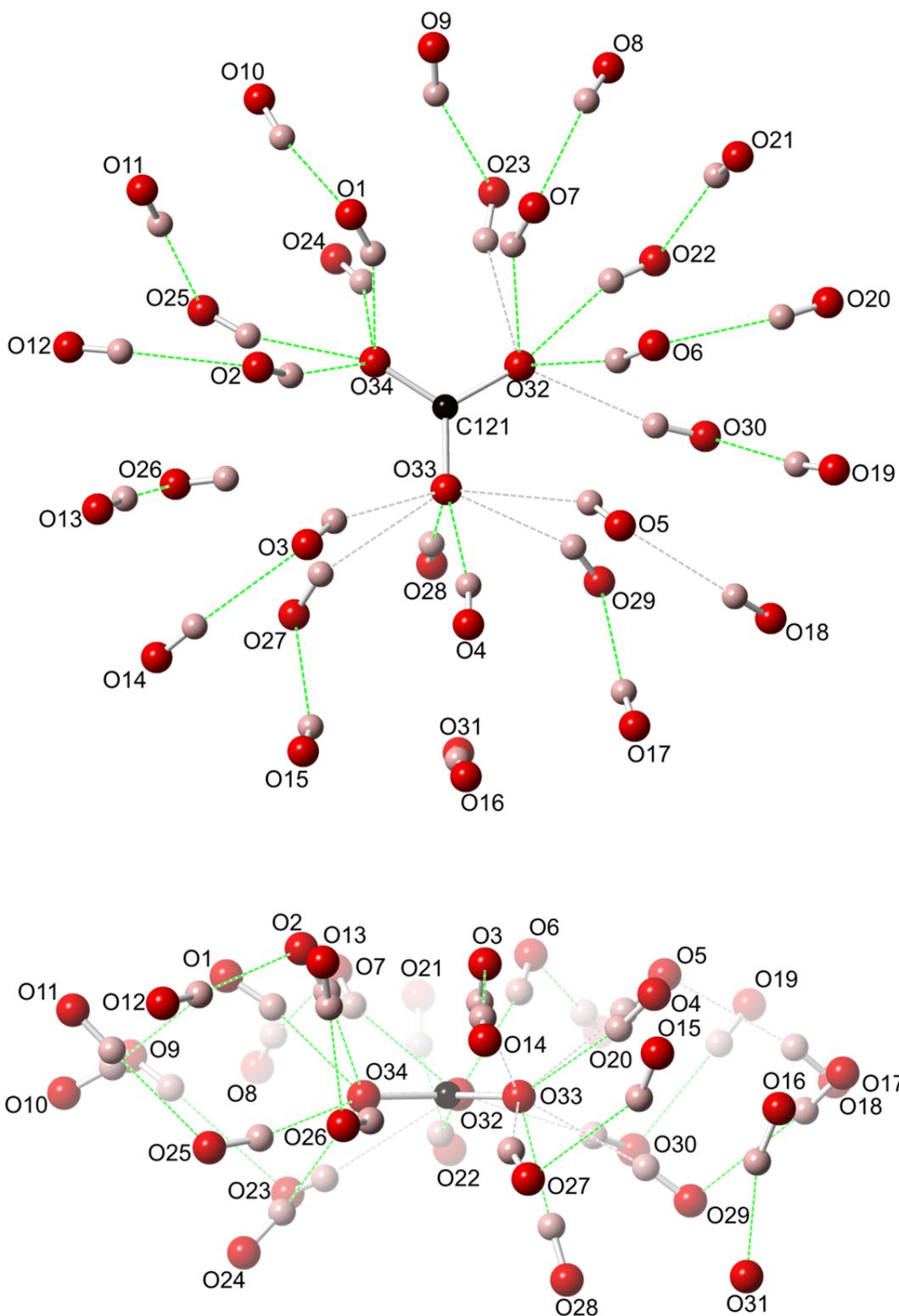


Figure S44. Top- and side-views of the overall hydrogen-bonding pattern (green dashed lines for O \cdots O distances $<3.00(5)$ Å, grey dashed lines for O \cdots O distances $3.00(5)$ – $3.20(5)$ Å) in **2**, converging at the central carbonate ion (only the major component of the disordered carbonate ion is shown).

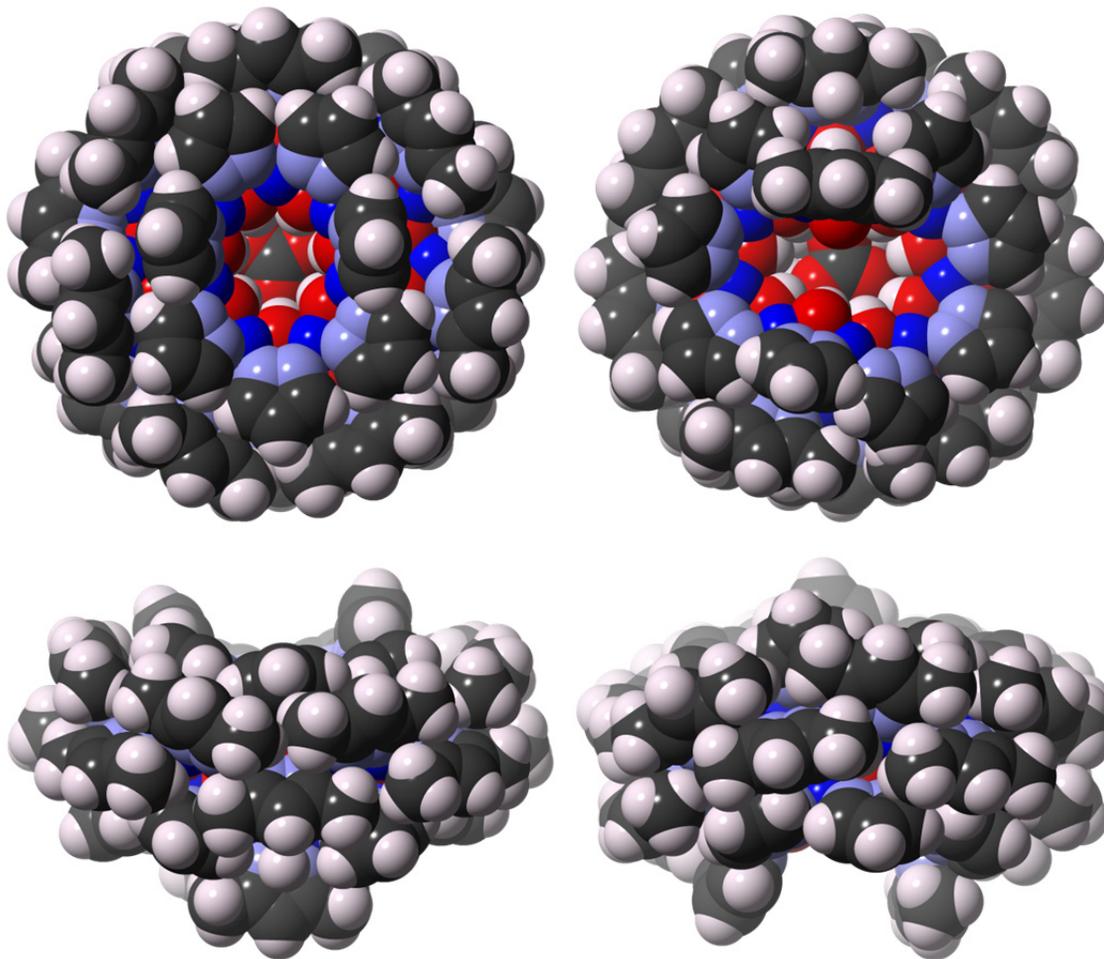


Figure S45. Space-filling representations (two different top- and side-views) of **2** (only the major component of the disordered units is shown).

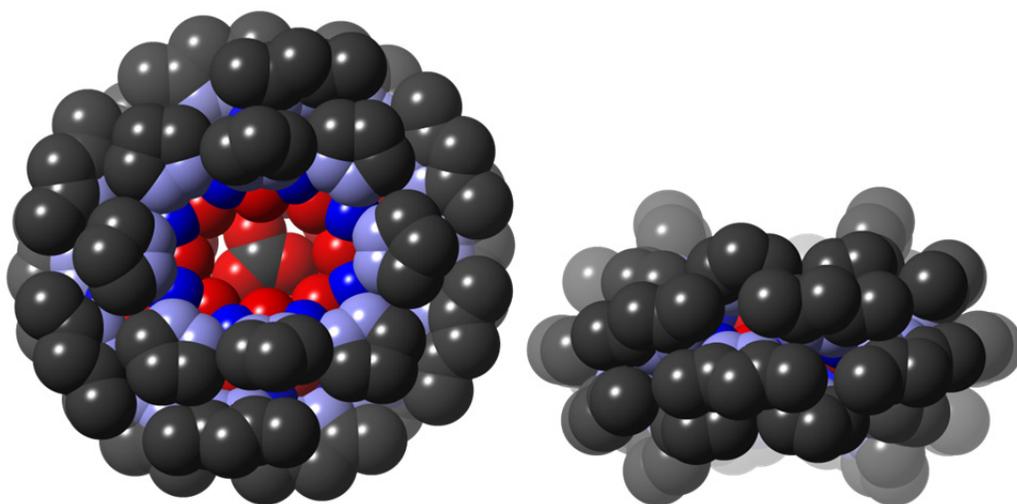


Figure S46. Space-filling representations (top- and side-views) of **3** (no H-atoms and only one position of the disordered CO_3^{2-} ion is shown).

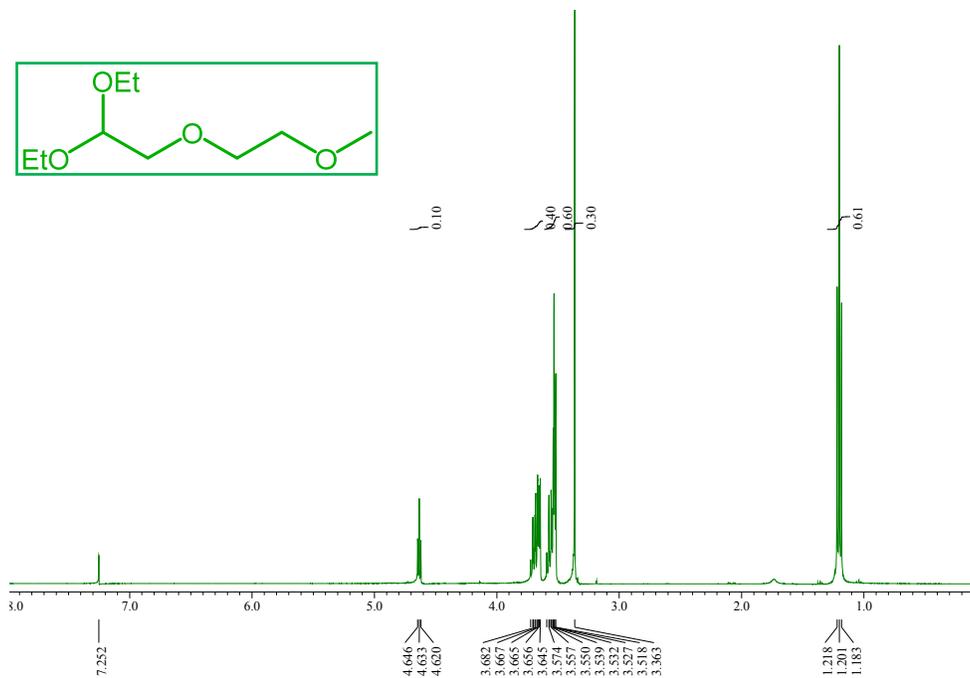


Figure S47. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of 7-ethoxy-2,5,8-trioxadecane.

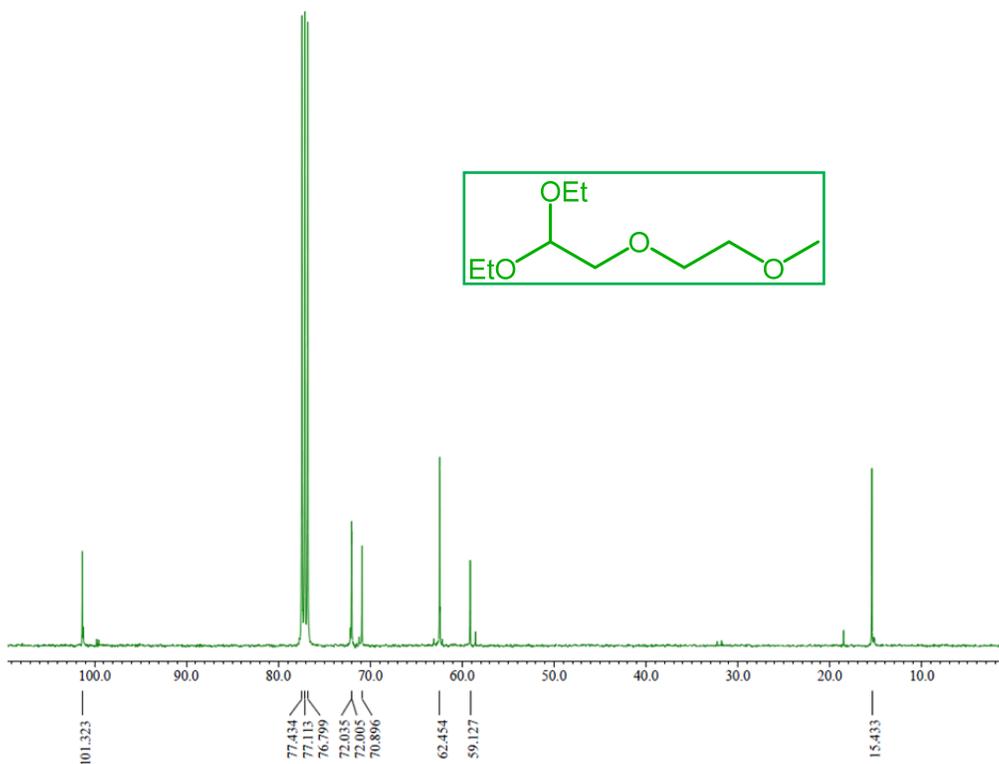


Figure S48. ^{13}C -NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of 7-ethoxy-2,5,8-trioxadecane.

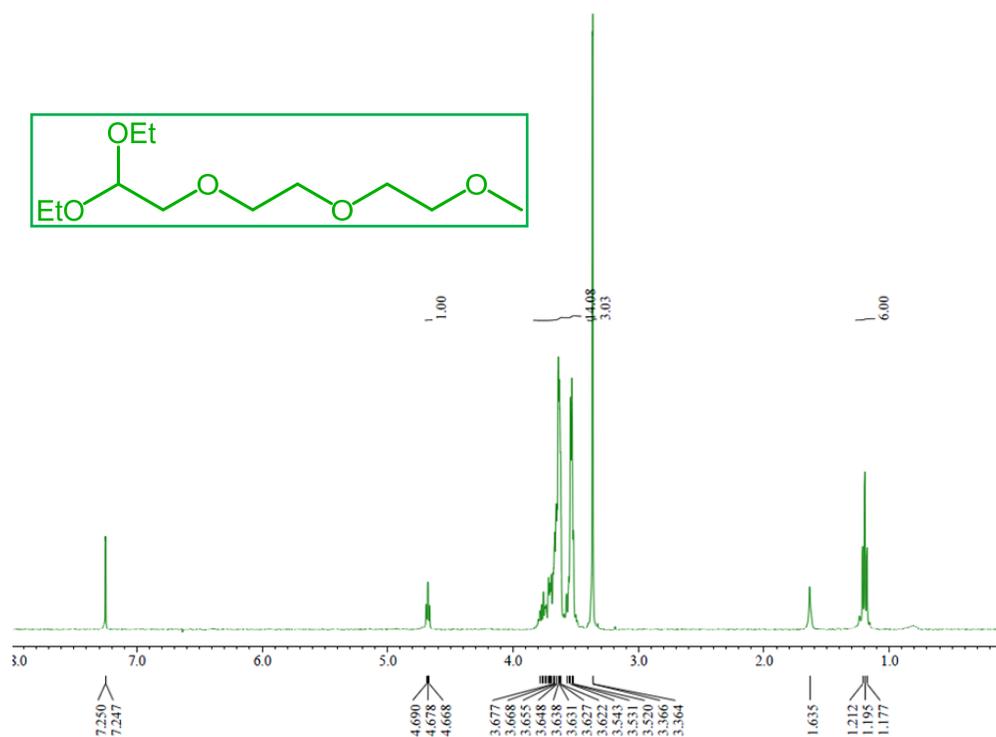


Figure S49. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of 10-ethoxy-2,5,8,11-tetraoxatridecane.

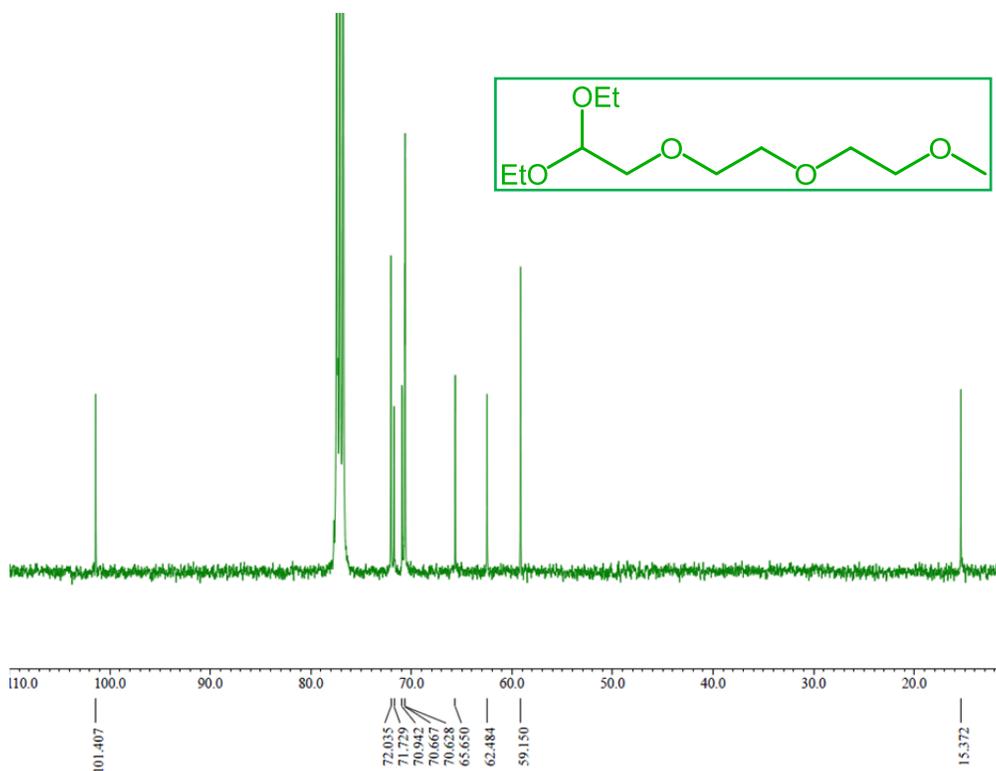


Figure S50. ¹³C-NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of 10-ethoxy-2,5,8,11-tetraoxatridecane.

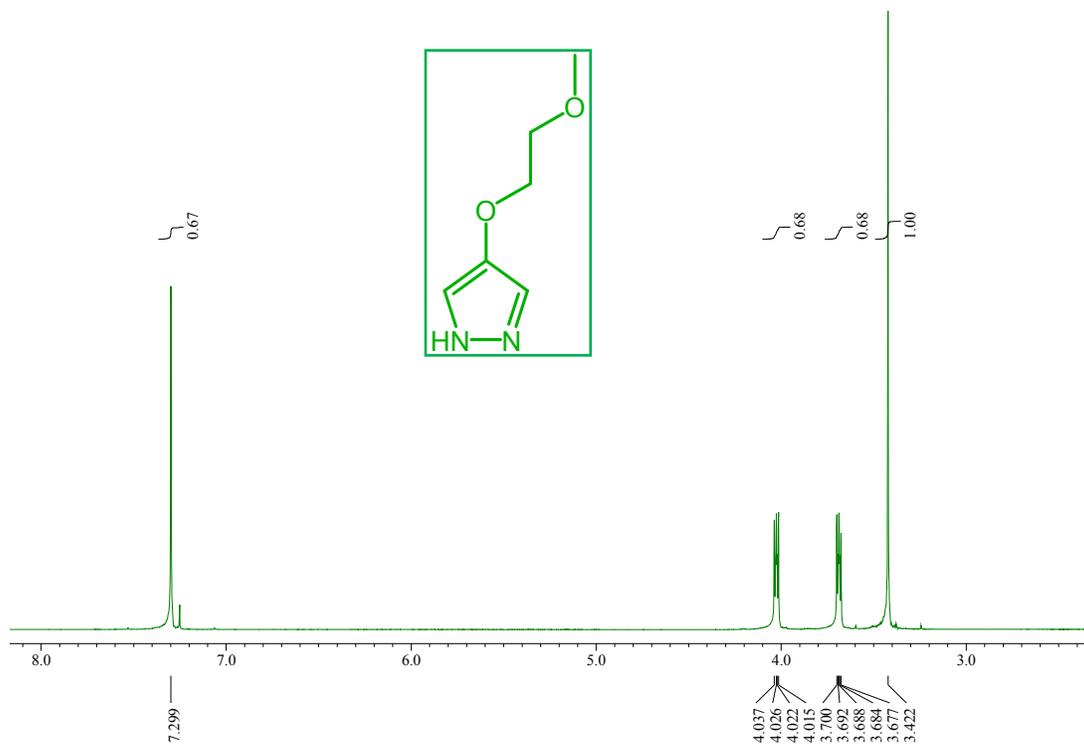


Figure S53. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of 4-(2-methoxyethoxy)-1H-pyrazole.

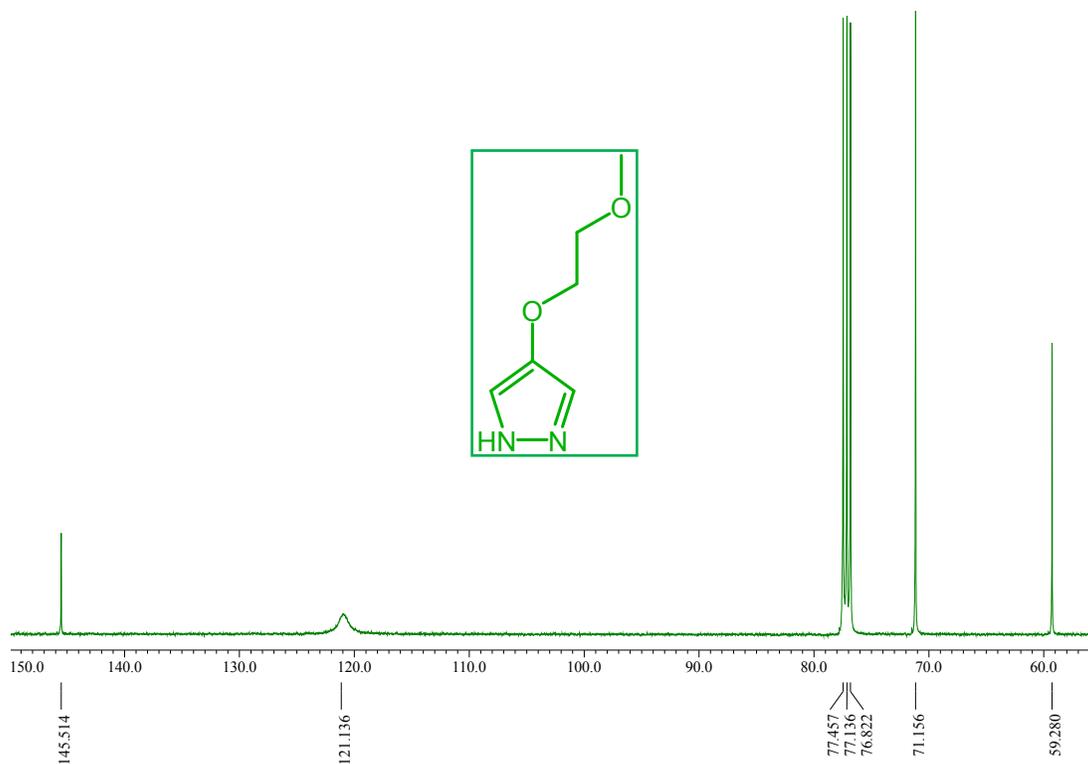


Figure S54. ¹³C-NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of 4-(2-methoxyethoxy)-1H-pyrazole.

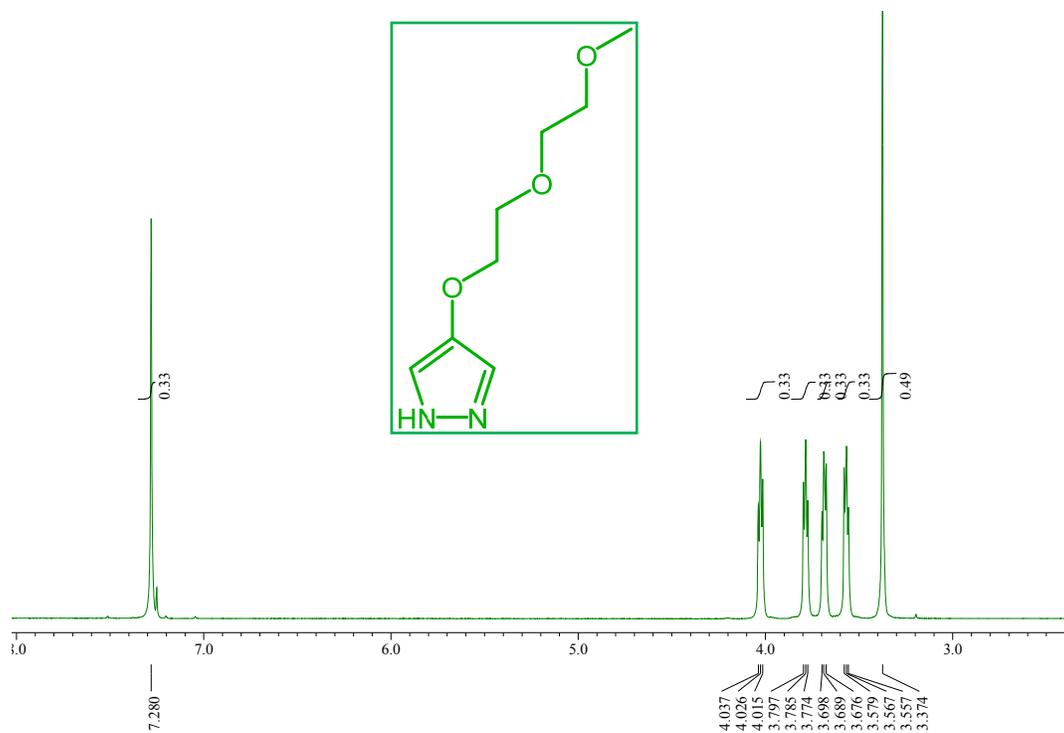


Figure S55. ^1H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl_3) of 4-(2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy)pyrazole.

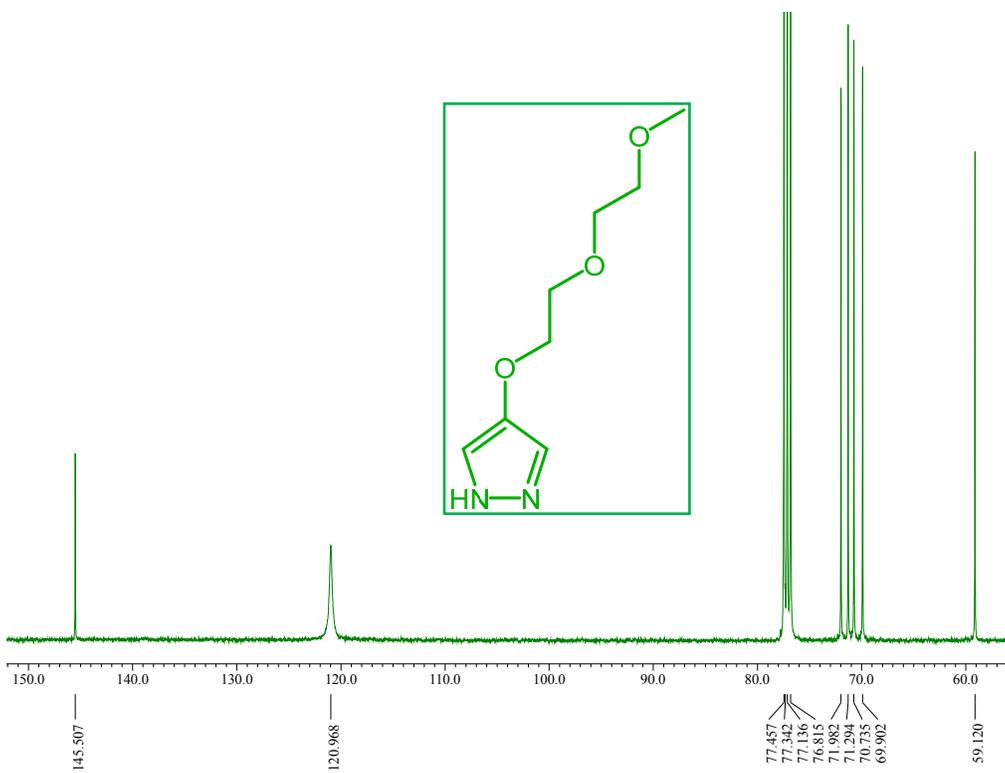


Figure S56. ^{13}C -NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl_3) of 4-(2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy)pyrazole.

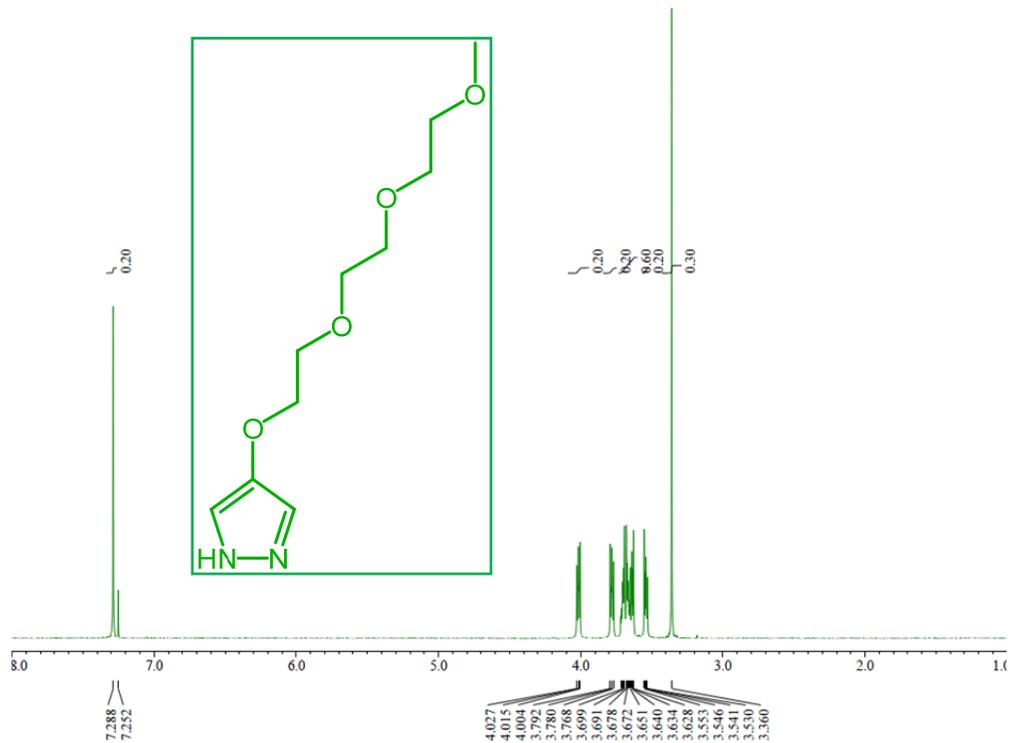
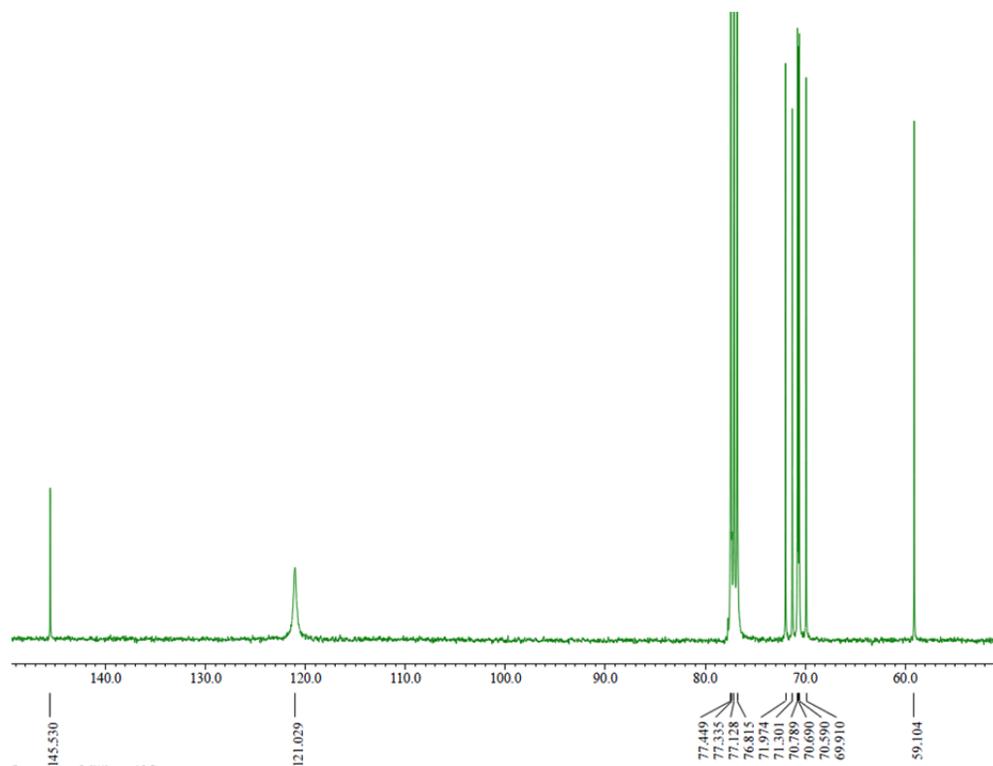


Figure S57. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of 4-(2-(2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy)ethoxy)pyrazole.



S58. ¹³C-NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of 4-(2-(2-(2-methoxyethoxy)ethoxy)ethoxy)pyrazole.

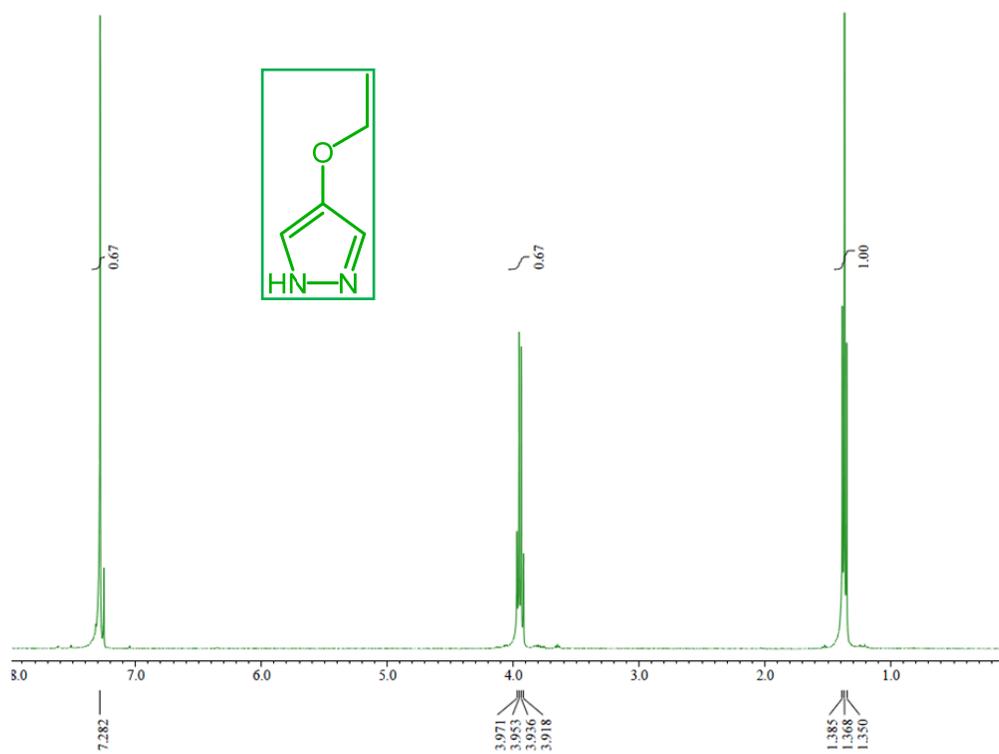
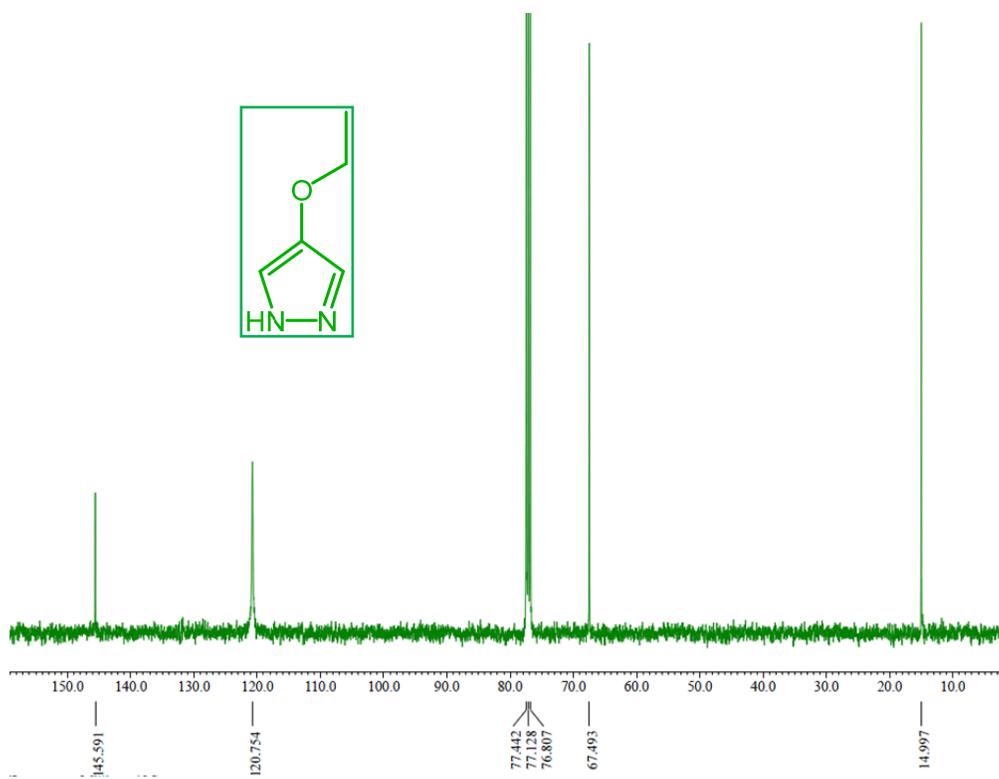


Figure S59. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of 4-ethoxypyrazole.



S60. ¹³C-NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of 4-ethoxypyrazole.

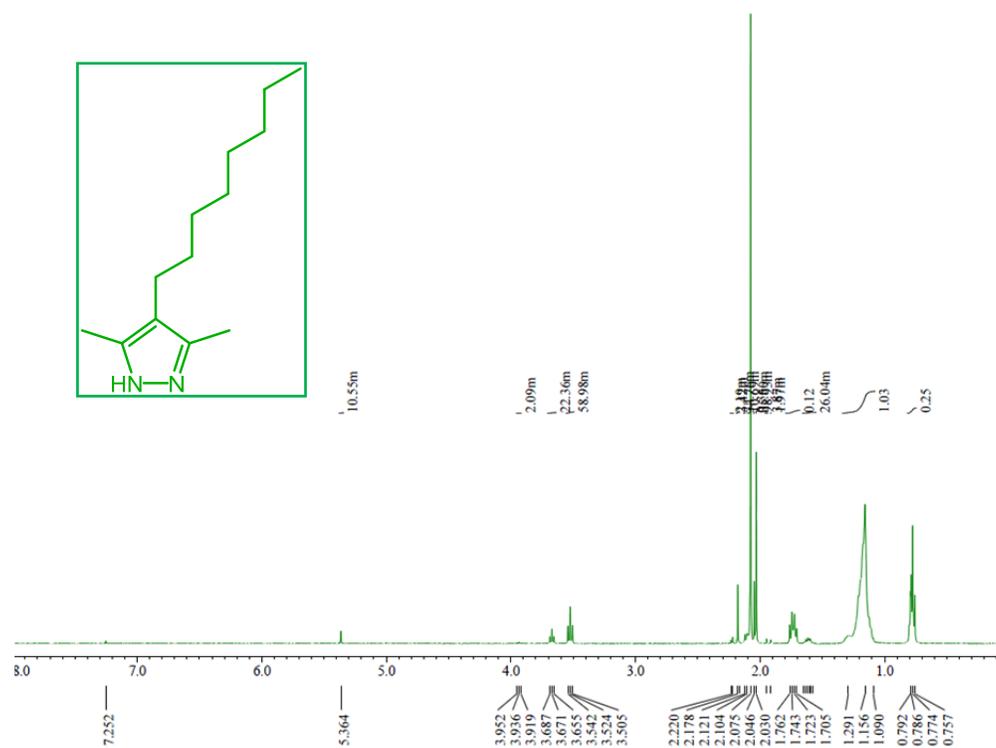
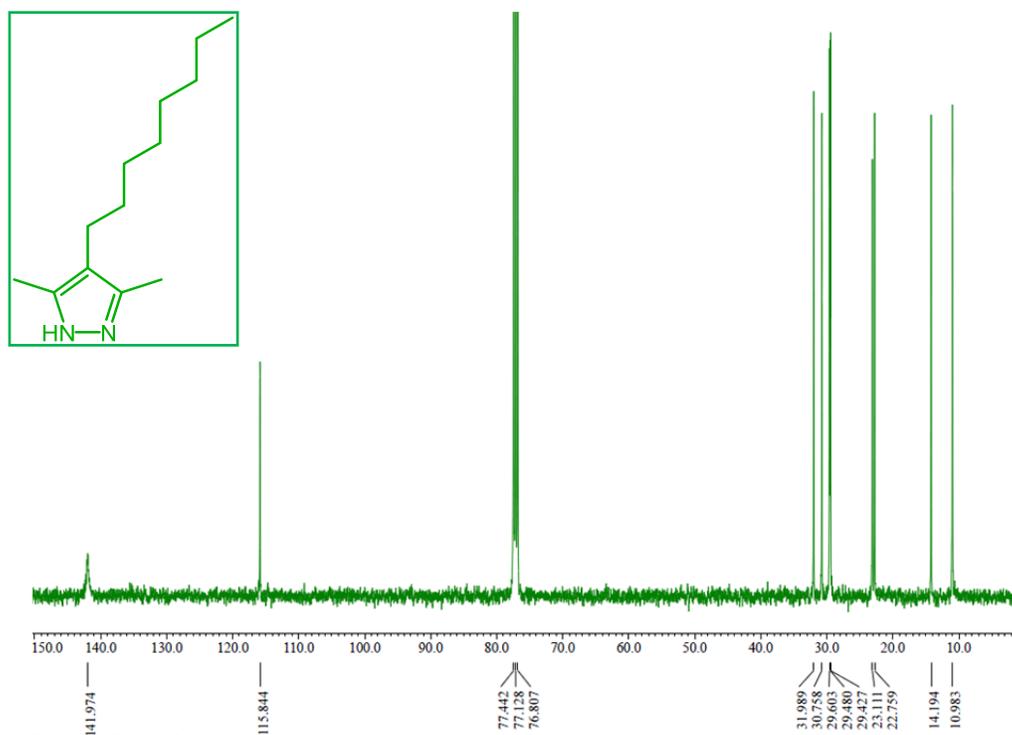


Figure S61. ¹H NMR spectrum (400 MHz, CDCl₃) of 3,5-dimethyl-4-octylpyrazole.



S62. ¹³C-NMR spectrum (101 MHz, CDCl₃) of 3,5-dimethyl-4-octylpyrazole.