

## Electronic Supplementary Information

### **Cu(II)-based binuclear compound for the application of photosensitive electronic device**

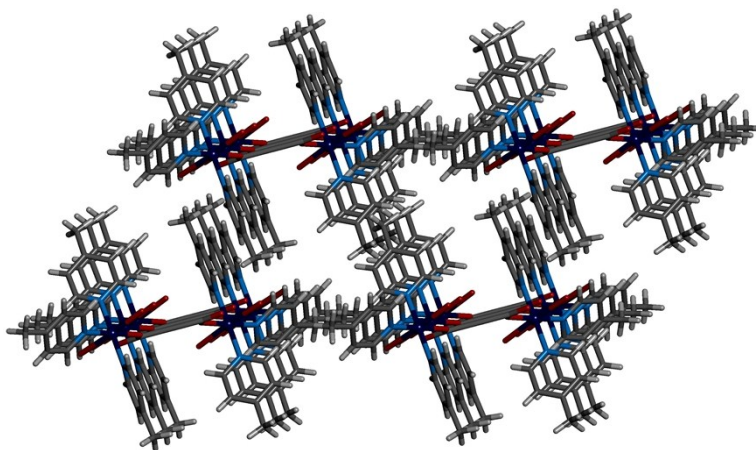
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**Fig. S1** A view of 3D supramolecular aggregate in compound **1** via hydrogen bonding and C-H... $\pi$  interactions.

**Table S1** Crystal data and refinement parameters for compound **1**

Formula	C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>42</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> Cu <sub>2</sub> N <sub>6</sub> O <sub>16</sub> ( <b>1</b> )
fw	1060.77
cryst syst	triclinic
space group	<i>P</i> $\bar{1}$
<i>a</i> (Å)	8.3736(8)
<i>b</i> (Å)	10.9069(9)
<i>c</i> (Å)	14.1280(14)
$\alpha$ (deg)	101.860(4)
$\beta$ (deg)	96.035(5)
$\gamma$ (deg)	105.536(4)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1198.94(19)
<i>Z</i>	1
<i>D</i> <sub>calcd</sub> (g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	1.469
$\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	1.071
$\lambda$ (Å)	0.71073
data [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )]/params	5960/299
GOF on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.059
final <i>R</i> indices [ <i>I</i> > 2 $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>a,b</sup>	<i>R</i> 1 = 0.0523 <i>wR</i> 2 = 0.1580

<sup>a</sup>  $R1 = \sum ||F_o| - |F_c|| / \sum |F_o|$ , <sup>b</sup>  $wR2 = [\sum w(F_o^2 - F_c^2)^2 / \sum w(F_o^2)^2]^{1/2}$

**Table S2** Selected bond lengths and bond angles in **1**

Cu(1)-O(1)	2.006(2)	Cu(1)-O(2W)	2.587(3)
Cu(1)-N(2)	2.033(2)	Cu(1)-N(1)	2.008(2)
Cu(1)-O(1W)	2.384(2)	Cu(1)-N(3)	2.012(2)
O(1)-Cu(1)-N(3)	89.47(9)	N(2)-Cu(1)-N(3)	91.72(9)
O(1)-Cu(1)-O(1W)	86.16(8)	O(1W)-Cu(1)-N(2)	94.06(9)
O(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	178.79(8)	O(2W)-Cu(1)-N(2)	88.38(9)
O(1W)-Cu(1)-N(1)	91.01(8)	N(1)-Cu(1)-N(3)	177.65(10)
O(2W)-Cu(1)-N(1)	93.63(9)	O(1)-Cu(1)-N(1)	88.56(9)
N(1)-Cu(1)-N(2)	90.25(9)	O(1W)-Cu(1)-O(2W)	174.75(9)
Cu(1)-O(1)-C(19)	128.68(18)	O(1W)-Cu(1)-N(3)	90.14(8)
O(1)-Cu(1)-O(2W)	91.50(8)	O(2W)-Cu(1)-N(3)	85.14(9)

**Table S3** Intermolecular hydrogen bonding interactions in **1**

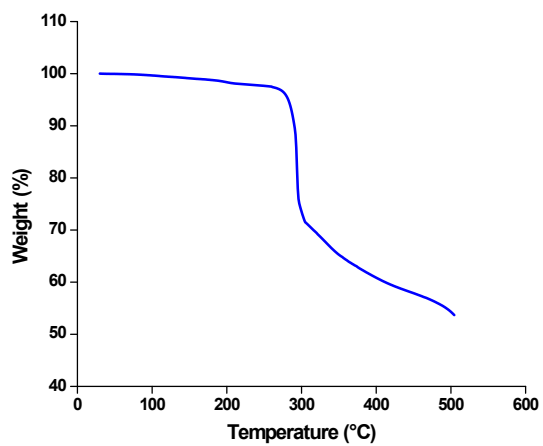
	D···A	D···A (Å)
<b>Compound 1</b>	O(1W)···O(1)	2.850

It is important to mention that the hydrogen atoms of water molecule in compound **1** could not be added even after several trials. The O-H bond may be too large and could not be refined.

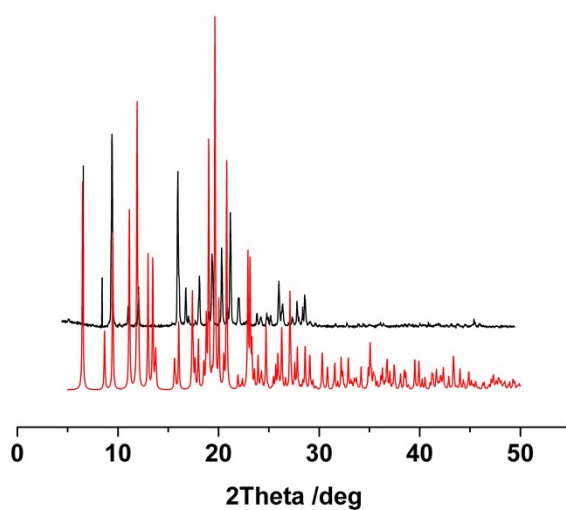
**Table S4** C-H··· $\pi$  interactions in **1**.

	C-H→ ring(j)	H···R distance (Å)	C-H···R angle(deg)	C···R distance (Å)
<b>Compound 1</b>	C(6)-H(6)→R(1)	3.088	160.39	4.005
	C(12)-H(12)→R(2)	3.257	157.70	4.161
	C(18)-H(18)→R(3)	2.968	157.11	3.871

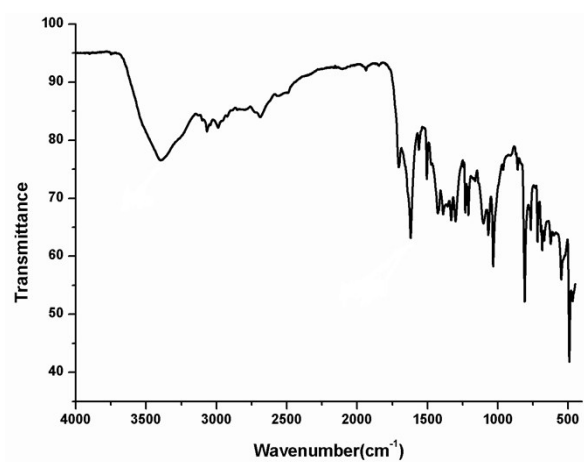
R(j) denotes the j-th ring: R(1) = N(1)/C(1)/C(2)/C(3)/C(4)/C(5); R(2)= N(2)/C(7)/C(8)/C(9)/C(10)/C(11); R(3) = N(3)/C(13)/C(14)/C(15)/C(16)/C(17)



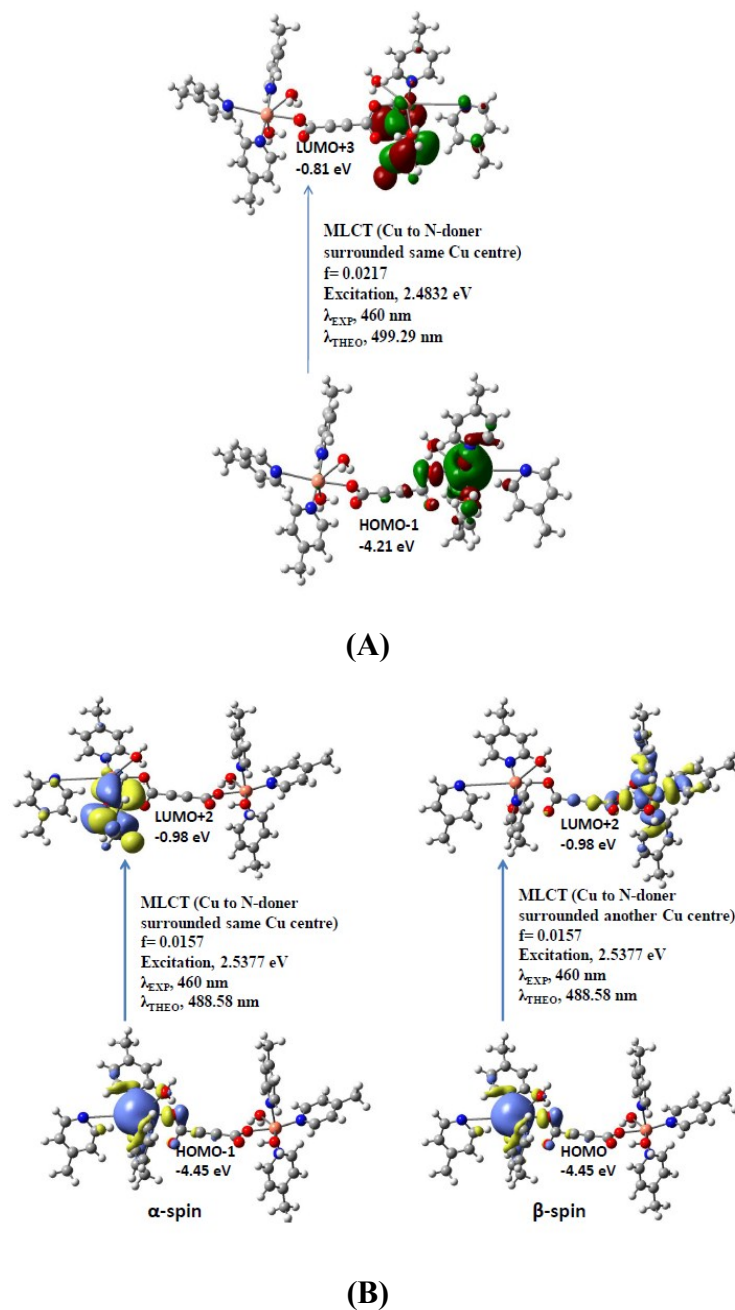
**Fig. S2** TGA plot of compound **1** measured under N<sub>2</sub> atmosphere.



**Fig. S3** Powder X-ray diffraction patterns of simulated **1** (red) and as-synthesized **1** (black).



**Fig. S4** FT-IR spectrum of compound **1**.



**Fig. S5** Frontier molecular orbitals for (A) ground state singlet configuration and (B) ground state triplet configuration involved in theoretical electronic transition correlated with experimental values of compound **1**.