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**New porous coordination polymers based on expanded pyridyl-dicarboxylate ligands and a paddle-wheel cluster†**

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**Table S1.** Crystallographic data.

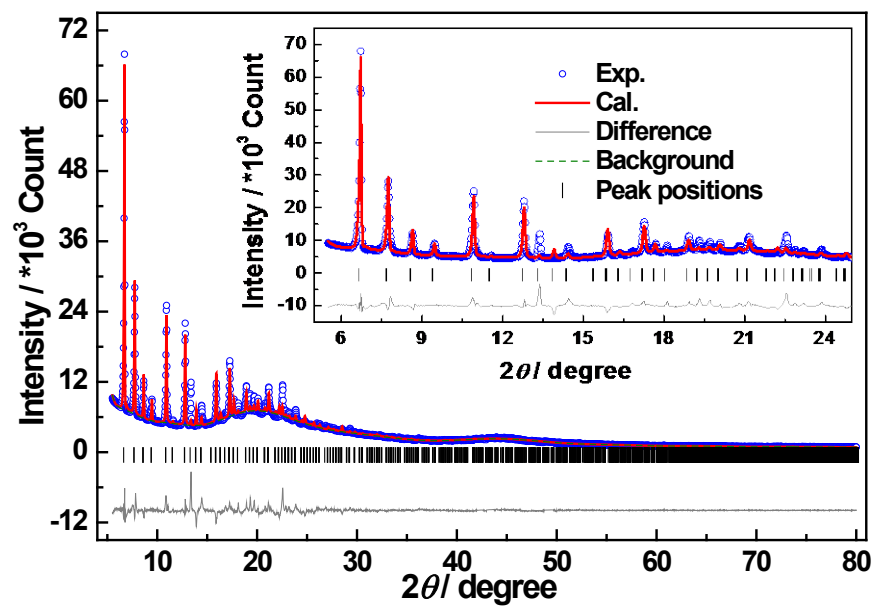
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|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| Complex                                                                               | <b>1</b>                                                        | <b>1</b>                                                        |
| Method                                                                                | single crystal                                                  | single crystal                                                  |
| Formula                                                                               | C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>14</sub> CuN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>14</sub> CuN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> |
| Formula weight                                                                        | 457.92                                                          | 457.92                                                          |
| Temperature (K)                                                                       | 150(2)                                                          | 298(2)                                                          |
| Crystal system                                                                        | Monoclinic                                                      | Monoclinic                                                      |
| Space group                                                                           | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>                              | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>                              |
| <i>a</i> /Å                                                                           | 13.8932(6)                                                      | 13.8641(6)                                                      |
| <i>b</i> /Å                                                                           | 14.9017(8)                                                      | 18.1349(9)                                                      |
| <i>c</i> /Å                                                                           | 28.2244(15)                                                     | 26.5914(12)                                                     |
| $\beta$ /°                                                                            | 117.982(6)                                                      | 117.3390(10)                                                    |
| <i>V</i> /Å <sup>3</sup>                                                              | 5160.2(4)                                                       | 5939.0(5)                                                       |
| <i>Z</i>                                                                              | 4                                                               | 4                                                               |
| <i>D<sub>c</sub></i> /g cm <sup>-3</sup>                                              | 0.589                                                           | 0.512                                                           |
| $\mu$ (mm <sup>-1</sup> )                                                             | 0.713                                                           | 0.379                                                           |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> <sup><i>a</i></sup> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>[a]</sup> | 0.0484                                                          | 0.0411                                                          |
| <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> <sup><i>b</i></sup> (all data) <sup>[b]</sup>                  | 0.1107                                                          | 0.0867                                                          |
| GOF                                                                                   | 1.018                                                           | 1.014                                                           |

<sup>a</sup>*R*<sub>1</sub> = Σ||*F*<sub>o</sub>| - |*F*<sub>c</sub>||/Σ|*F*<sub>o</sub>|. <sup>b</sup>*wR*<sub>2</sub> = [Σ*w<sub>c</sub>*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> - *F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>/Σ*w<sub>c</sub>*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>]<sup>1/2</sup>, and *w<sub>c</sub>* = (σ<sup>2</sup>(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup> + {0.1[*max*(0, *F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>) + 2*F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>]/3})<sup>2</sup>)<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>c</sup>*R*<sub>p</sub> = Σ|*cY*<sup>sim</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) - *I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) + *Y*<sup>back</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)|/Σ|*I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)|. <sup>d</sup>*R*<sub>wp</sub> = {*w<sub>p</sub>*[*cY*<sup>sim</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) - *I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) + *Y*<sup>back</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)]<sup>2</sup>/Σ*w<sub>p</sub>* [*I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)]<sup>2</sup>}<sup>1/2</sup>, and *w<sub>p</sub>* = 1/*I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>).

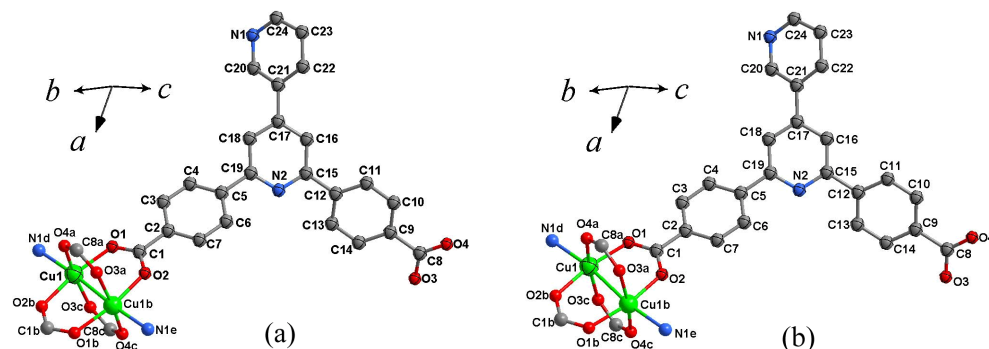
**Table S1.** (Continued)

| Complex                                                                               | <b>2</b>                                                        | <b>2</b>                                                        | <b>3</b>                                                         | <b>3</b>                                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Method                                                                                | single crystal                                                  | single crystal                                                  | single crystal                                                   | powder                                                           |
| Formula                                                                               | C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>14</sub> CuN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | C <sub>24</sub> H <sub>14</sub> CuN <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> | C <sub>48</sub> H <sub>68</sub> CuN <sub>8</sub> O <sub>10</sub> | C <sub>48</sub> H <sub>68</sub> CuN <sub>8</sub> O <sub>10</sub> |
| Formula weight                                                                        | 457.92                                                          | 457.92                                                          | 980.65                                                           | 980.65                                                           |
| Temperature (K)                                                                       | 150(2)                                                          | 298(2)                                                          | 150(2)                                                           | 298(2)                                                           |
| Crystal system                                                                        | Trigonal                                                        | Trigonal                                                        | Orthorhombic                                                     | Orthorhombic                                                     |
| Space group                                                                           | <i>R</i> -3 <i>m</i>                                            | <i>R</i> -3 <i>m</i>                                            | <i>Pbca</i>                                                      | <i>Pbca</i>                                                      |
| <i>a</i> /Å                                                                           | 33.2878(9)                                                      | 33.5037(5)                                                      | 21.732(5)                                                        | 23.014(3)                                                        |
| <i>b</i> /Å                                                                           | 33.2878(9)                                                      | 33.5037(5)                                                      | 22.850(6)                                                        | 23.075(8)                                                        |
| <i>c</i> /Å                                                                           | 25.768(1)                                                       | 26.8482(6)                                                      | 22.848(7)                                                        | 23.076(5)                                                        |
| <i>V</i> /Å <sup>3</sup>                                                              | 24728(2)                                                        | 26099.4(8)                                                      | 11346(5)                                                         | 12254(5)                                                         |
| <i>Z</i>                                                                              | /                                                               | 18                                                              | /                                                                | 8                                                                |
| <i>D<sub>c</sub></i> /g cm <sup>-3</sup>                                              | /                                                               | 0.524                                                           | /                                                                | 1.06                                                             |
| <i>μ</i> (mm <sup>-1</sup> )                                                          | /                                                               | 0.634                                                           | /                                                                | 0.93                                                             |
| <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> <sup><i>a</i></sup> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )] <sup>[a]</sup> | /                                                               | 0.0360                                                          | /                                                                | <i>R</i> <sub>p</sub> <sup><i>c</i></sup> = 4.66%                |
| <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> <sup><i>b</i></sup> (all data) <sup>[b]</sup>                  | /                                                               | 0.0791                                                          | /                                                                | <i>R</i> <sub>wp</sub> <sup><i>d</i></sup> = 7.39%               |
| GOF                                                                                   | /                                                               | 1.064                                                           | /                                                                | /                                                                |

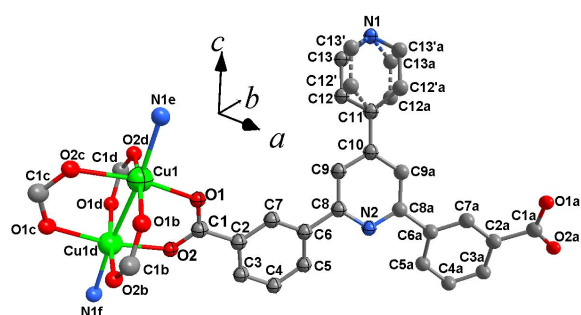
<sup>a</sup>*R*<sub>1</sub> = Σ||*F*<sub>o</sub>| - |*F*<sub>c</sub>||/Σ|*F*<sub>o</sub>|. <sup>b</sup>*wR*<sub>2</sub> = [Σ*w<sub>c</sub>*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup> - *F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>/Σ*w<sub>c</sub>*(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup>]<sup>1/2</sup>, and *w<sub>c</sub>* = (σ<sup>2</sup>(*F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>)<sup>2</sup> + {0.1[*max*(0, *F*<sub>o</sub><sup>2</sup>) + 2*F*<sub>c</sub><sup>2</sup>]/3})<sup>2</sup>)<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>c</sup>*R*<sub>p</sub> = Σ|*cY*<sup>sim</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) - *I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) + *Y*<sup>back</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)|/Σ|*I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)|. <sup>d</sup>*R*<sub>wp</sub> = {*w<sub>p</sub>*[*cY*<sup>sim</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) - *I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>) + *Y*<sup>back</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)]<sup>2</sup>/Σ*w<sub>p</sub>* [*I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>)]<sup>2</sup>]<sup>1/2</sup>, and *w<sub>p</sub>* = 1/*I*<sup>exp</sup>(2*θ*<sub>*i*</sub>).



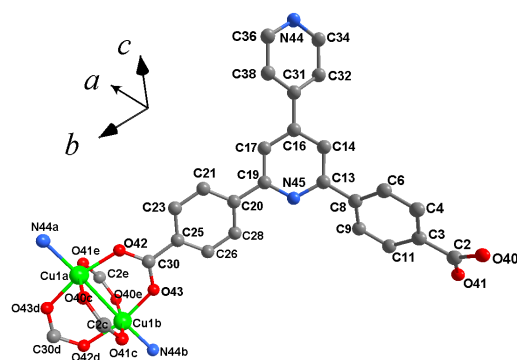
**Fig. S1.** The final Rietveld refinement plots of **3**.



**Fig. S2.** Perspective views of the coordination environments in **1** at (a) 150 K and (b) 298 K. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity (probability drawn at 50%). Symmetry codes: a = 1-x, 1-y, -z; b = 1+x, 1.5-y, -0.5+z; c = 1+x, 1+y, z; d = x, 1.5-y, -0.5+z; e = 2-x, 0.5+y, 0.5-z.



**Fig. S3.** Perspective views of the coordination environments in **2** at 298 K. Dashed bonds represent the secondary disordering parts. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity (probability drawn at 50%). Symmetry codes: a = 2/3+x-y, 1/3+x, 4/3-z; b = 2/3-x, 1/3-y, 4/3-z; c = x, x-y, z; d = x, y, z; e = 2/3-y, 1/3+x-y, 1/3+z; f = y, x, 1-z.



**Fig. S4.** Perspective views of the coordination environments in **3** at 298 K. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity. Symmetry codes: a = 0.5+x, y, 1.5-z; b = 0.5-x, 1-y, -0.5+z; c = x, y, z; d = 0.5+x, 1.5-y, 1-z; e = 1-x, 1-y, 1-z.

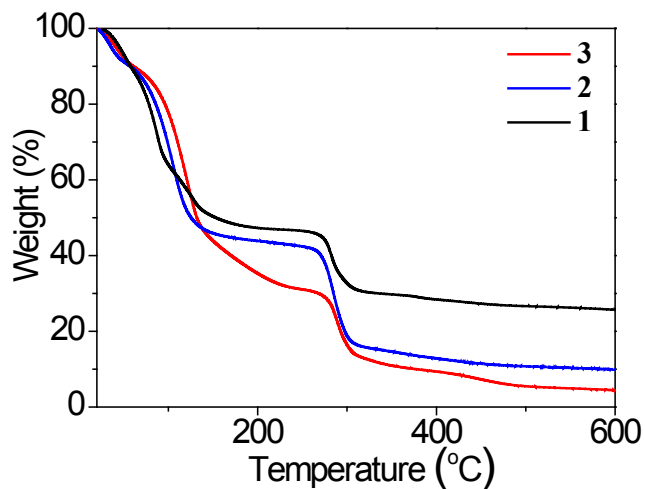


Fig. S5. TGA curves of 1-3.

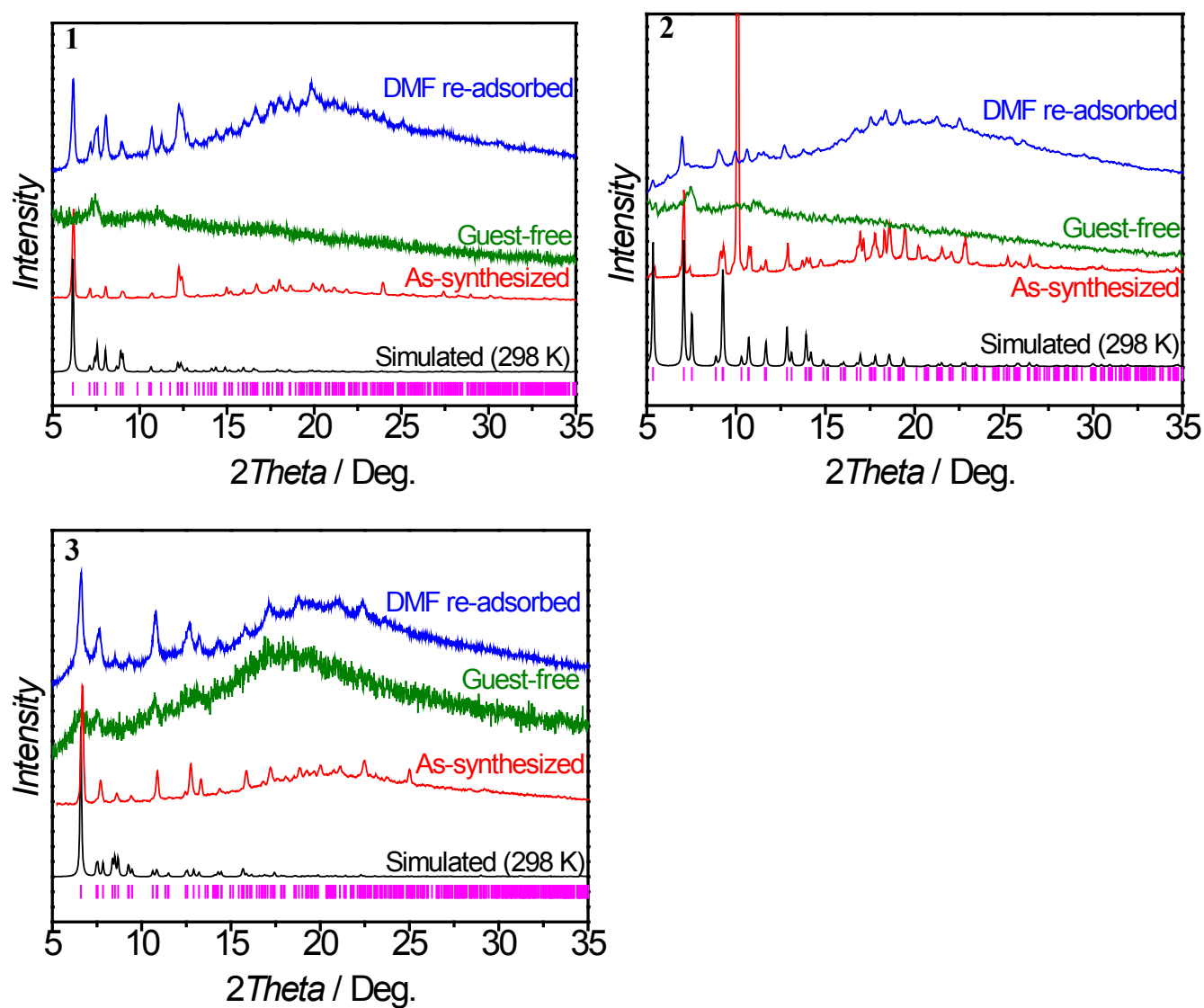
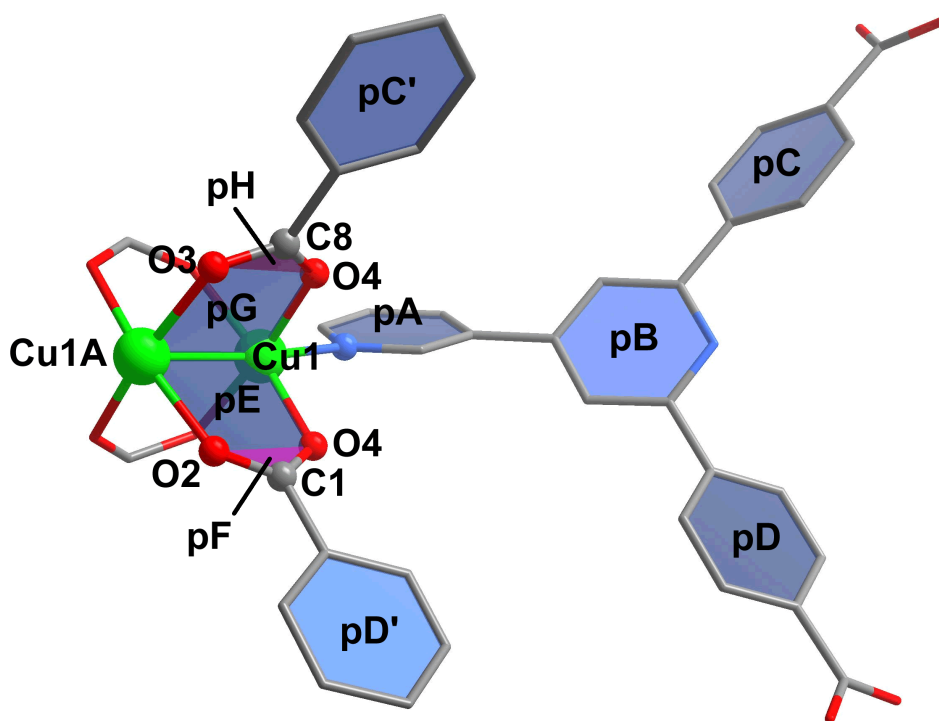


Fig. S6. Room-temperature PXRD patterns of 1-3.

Table S2. CO<sub>2</sub> adsorption data (195 K, 1 atm).

|          | saturated uptake<br>(cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> ) | BET<br>(m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>a</sup> | Langmuir<br>(m <sup>2</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>a</sup> | pore volume<br>(cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>a</sup> | pore volume<br>(cm <sup>3</sup> g <sup>-1</sup> ) <sup>b</sup> |
|----------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b> | 80                                                     | 212                                                   | 362                                                        | 0.142                                                          | 1.46                                                           |
| <b>2</b> | 51                                                     | 137                                                   | 366                                                        | 0.090                                                          | 1.38                                                           |
| <b>3</b> | 82                                                     | 231                                                   | 378                                                        | 0.146                                                          | 1.47                                                           |

<sup>a</sup> calculated from CO<sub>2</sub> saturated uptakes.<sup>b</sup> calculated from crystal structures.

**Fig. S7.** A representative portion of the crystal structures of **1**. Definition of planes: pA (pA' is a symmetric equivalent of pA) for the pyridyl rings, pB (pB' is a symmetric equivalent of pB) for the central pyridyl ring, pC and pD for the phenyl ring. pF and pH for the carboxylate group composed of O1, O2, C1 and O3, O4 C8, pE and pG for the Cu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> plane composed of Cu1, Cu1A, O1, O2 and Cu1, Cu1A, O3, O4, respectively.

**Table S3.** Comparison of important bond lengths, bond angles, and dihedral angles in **1**. Atom and plane numbering scheme is shown in Fig. S7.

|                                       | 150 K    | 298 K    |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| $\angle\text{Cu-O1-C1} (^{\circ})$    | 120.6(2) | 120.1(1) |
| $\angle\text{Cu-O2-C2} (^{\circ})$    | 126.0(2) | 126.3(1) |
| $\angle\text{Cu-O3-C8} (^{\circ})$    | 122.5(2) | 123.9(1) |
| $\angle\text{Cu-O4-C8} (^{\circ})$    | 123.6(2) | 122.0(1) |
| $\angle\text{O3-Cu-O1} (^{\circ})$    | 90.06(9) | 89.52(6) |
| $\angle\text{O4-Cu-O2} (^{\circ})$    | 89.47(8) | 88.80(6) |
| $\text{Cu1-O1} (\text{\AA})$          | 1.960(2) | 1.957(2) |
| $\text{Cu1-O2} (\text{\AA})$          | 1.973(3) | 1.977(2) |
| $\text{Cu1-O3} (\text{\AA})$          | 1.969(2) | 1.969(1) |
| $\text{Cu1-O4} (\text{\AA})$          | 1.963(2) | 1.962(1) |
| $\text{Cu1-N1} (\text{\AA})$          | 2.160(2) | 2.170(2) |
| $\text{O1-C1} (\text{\AA})$           | 1.257(4) | 1.261(1) |
| $\text{O2-C1} (\text{\AA})$           | 1.249(4) | 1.260(3) |
| $\text{O3-C8} (\text{\AA})$           | 1.260(3) | 1.258(2) |
| $\text{O4-C8} (\text{\AA})$           | 1.241(4) | 1.256(3) |
| $\angle\text{Cu1A-Cu1-N1} (^{\circ})$ | 4.72(7)  | 7.34(5)  |
| $\angle\text{Cu1A-Cu1-pA} (^{\circ})$ | 11.83(8) | 6.73(4)  |
| $\angle\text{Cu1-N1-pA} (^{\circ})$   | 7.94(9)  | 4.09(6)  |
| $\angle\text{pB-pC} (^{\circ})$       | 34.0(1)  | 31.97(7) |
| $\angle\text{pB-pD} (^{\circ})$       | 33.70(9) | 26.72(7) |
| $\angle\text{pB-pA} (^{\circ})$       | 45.2(1)  | 37.75(6) |
| $\angle\text{pE-pF} (^{\circ})$       | 0.5(2)   | 1.9(2)   |
| $\angle\text{pF-pD'} (^{\circ})$      | 14.9(2)  | 6.1(1)   |
| $\angle\text{pG-pH} (^{\circ})$       | 0.7(1)   | 1.0(2)   |
| $\angle\text{pH-pC'} (^{\circ})$      | 8.2(1)   | 9.3(1)   |