

**Tetranuclear Copper(I) Carboxylate: The Effect of a Stepwise Increase in Lewis Acidity on
Solid-State Structures**

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

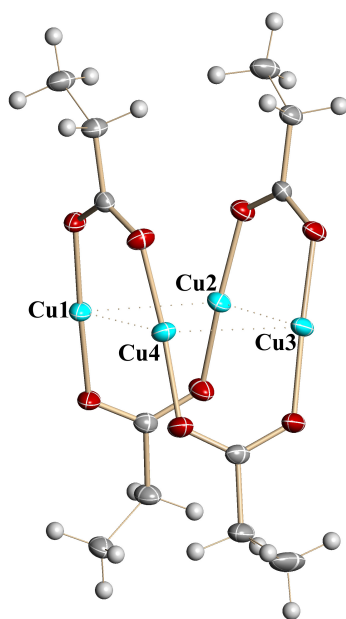


Fig. S1 Thermal ellipsoid representation (40% probability ellipsoids) of the [Cu₄(O₂CCH₂CH₃)₄] (**1**) complex. Cu blue, O red, C grey, H light grey. This color scheme is used in all figures.

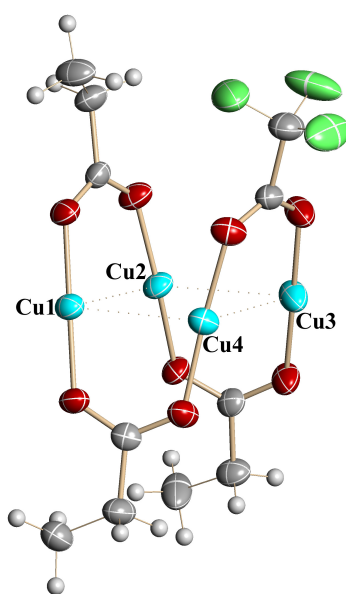


Fig. S2 Thermal ellipsoid representation (40% probability ellipsoids) of the [Cu₄(O₂CCF₃)(O₂CCH₂CH₃)₃] (**2**) complex. Only one part of the rotationally disordered CF₃ group is shown.

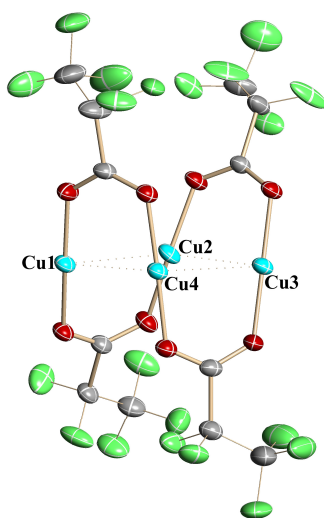


Fig. S3 Thermal ellipsoid representation (40% probability ellipsoids) of the $[\text{Cu}_4(\text{O}_2\text{CCF}_2\text{CF}_3)_4]$ (**3**) complex. Only major parts of the two disordered C_2F_5 groups are shown.

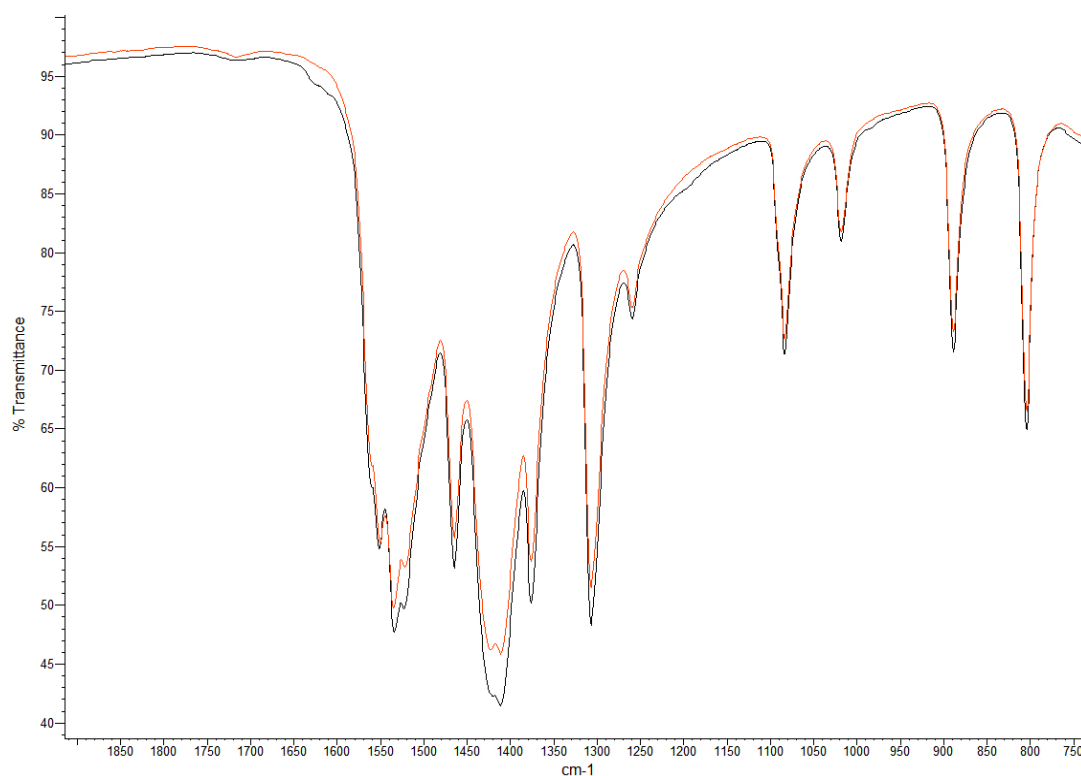


Fig. S4 IR spectra (carboxylate region) of copper(I) propionate obtained by Edwards's *et al.*, method (black) and of the microcrystalline bulk sample of **1** (red).

X-ray powder diffraction details

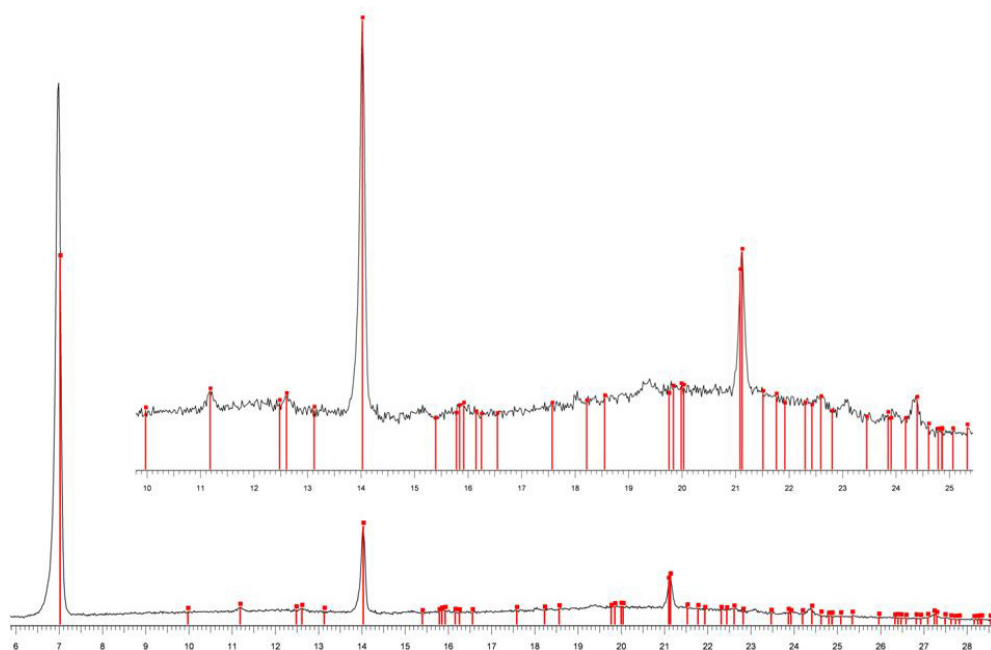


Fig. S5 The observed X-ray powder pattern for the bulk microcrystalline sample of **1** (black) vs. the simulated X-ray powder pattern based on the single crystal diffraction data of **1** (red).

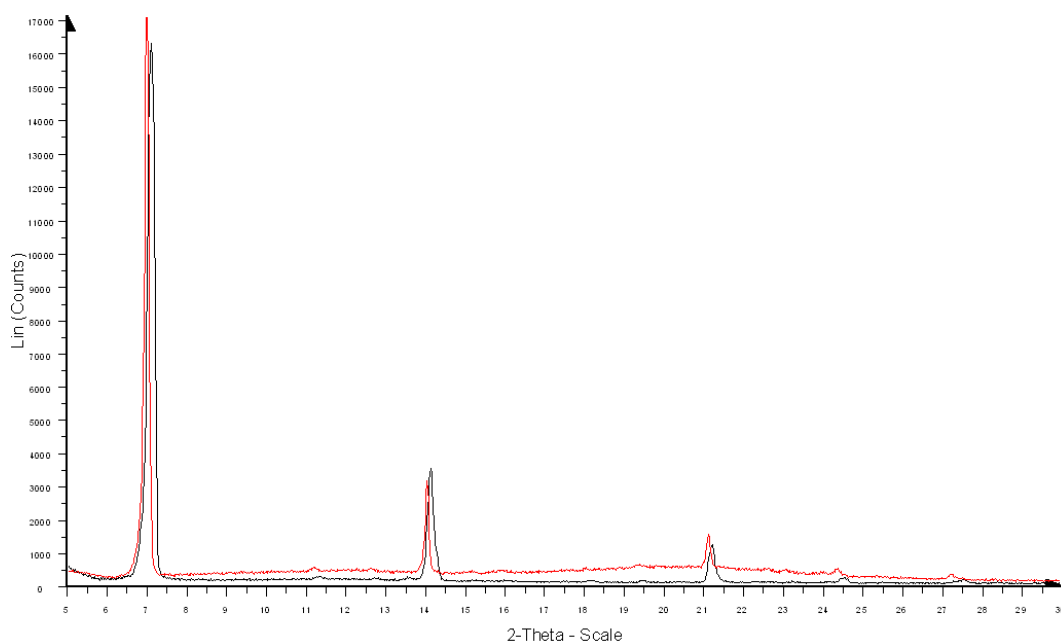


Fig. S6 The observed X-ray powder patterns for the bulk microcrystalline sample obtained by Edwards's *et al.*, method (black) vs. bulk microcrystalline sample of **1** (red).

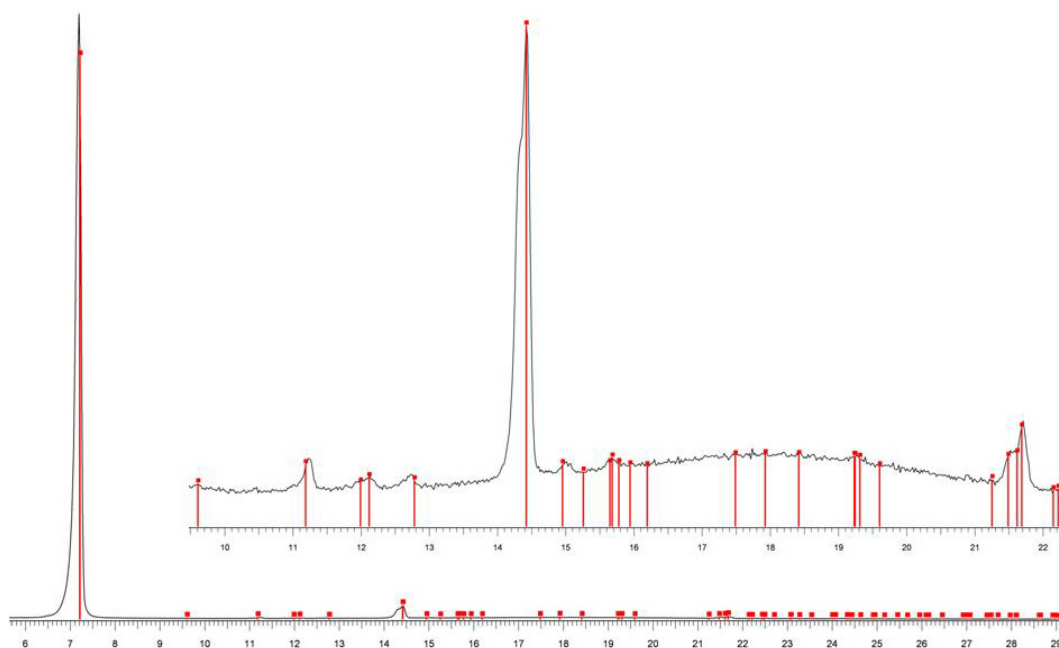


Fig. S7 The observed X-ray powder pattern for the bulk microcrystalline sample of **2** (black) vs. the simulated X-ray powder pattern based on the single crystal diffraction data of **2** (red).

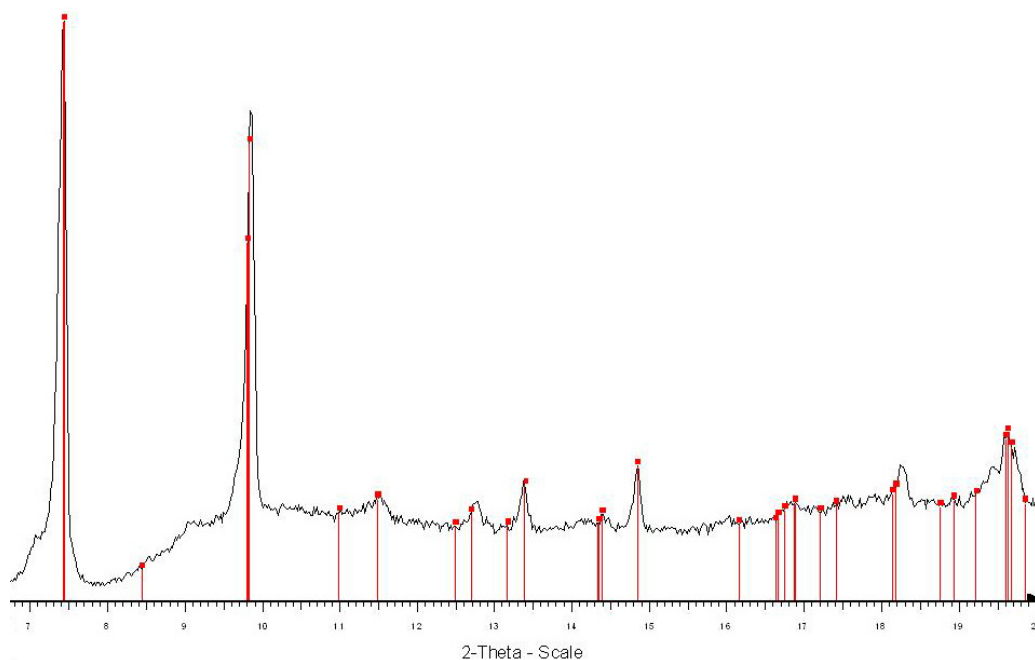


Fig. S8 The observed X-ray powder pattern for the single crystals of **3** (black) vs. the simulated X-ray powder pattern based on the single crystal diffraction data of **3** (red).