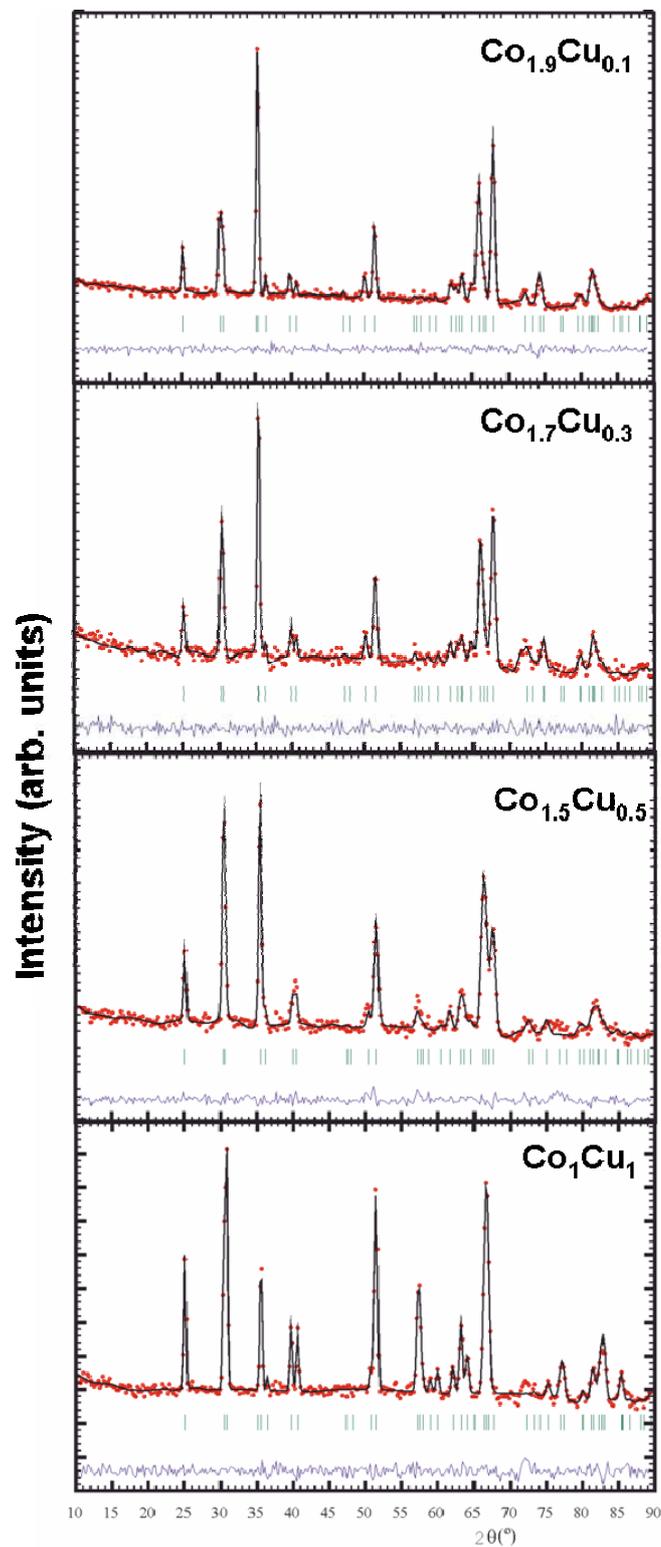


SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

Figure S1. Observed (crosses), calculated (solid line), and difference (at the bottom) neutron diffraction (D1B, ILL) profile of  $\text{Co}_{2-x}\text{Cu}_x(\text{OH})\text{PO}_4$  ( $x = 0.1, 0.3, 0.5$  and  $1$ ) at 100K. Vertical marks correspond to the position of the allowed reflections for the crystallographic structures.



**Table S1.** Fractional atomic coordinates, occupancy and temperature factors from neutron diffraction pattern (D2B) at room temperature for Cu<sub>2</sub>(OH)PO<sub>4</sub>.

Atom	Position	Occ.	x/a	y/b	z/c	B(Å) <sup>2</sup>
Cu(1)	4g	0.5	0.3747(3)	0.3617(3)	0.5	0.98(2)
Cu(2)	4f	0.5	0.5	0.0	0.2484(5)	0.98(2)
P	4g	0.5	0.2496(4)	0.2340(4)	0.0	0.91(5)
O(1)	4g	0.5	0.1171(4)	0.1010(4)	0.0	1.05(2)
O(2)	4g	0.5	0.4116(3)	0.1327(4)	0.0	1.05(2)
O(3)	8h	0.5	0.2391(3)	0.3414(2)	0.2109(3)	1.05(2)
O(4)	4g	0.500	0.3975(4)	0.1237(4)	0.5	1.05(2)
H	4g	0.500	0.2890(6)	0.0756(6)	0.5	1.6(1)

**Table S2.** Main interatomic distances (Å) and angles (°) for Cu<sub>2</sub>(OH)PO<sub>4</sub> (D2B, RT). Symmetry code: i= x, y, z; ii= 1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1/2-z; iii= 1/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2-z; iv= -x, -y, z; v= -x, -y, -z; vi= 1/2-x, 1/2+y, 1/2+z; vii= 1/2+x, 1/2-y, 1/2+z; viii= x, y, -z.

Bond distances (Å)

M(2)O <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> octahedron		M(1)O <sub>4</sub> (OH) trigonal bipyramid	
M(2)-O(2) <sup>i,iv</sup>	1.957(3) x2	M(1)-O(4)H	1.928(4)
M(2)-O(4)H <sup>i,iv</sup>	1.981(2) x2	M(1)-O(1) <sup>ii</sup>	2.056(3)
M(2)-O(3) <sup>ii,iv</sup>	2.391(2) x2	M(1)-O(1) <sup>iii</sup>	1.930(4)
		M(1)-O(3) <sup>i,viii</sup>	2.053(2) x2

PO <sub>4</sub> tetrahedron	
P-O(1)	1.545(5)
P-O(2)	1.585(5)
P-O(3) <sup>i,viii</sup>	1.516(3) x2

Bond angles (°)

M(2)O <sub>4</sub> (OH) <sub>2</sub> octahedron		M(1)O <sub>4</sub> (OH) trigonal bipyramid	
O(2)-M(2)-O(2)	83.4(2)	O(1)-M(1)-O(1)	79.5(2)
O(2)-M(2)-O(3)	95.8(2) x2 92.81(2) x2	O(1)-M(1)-O(3)	124.0(2) x2 95.7(2) x2
O(2)-M(2)-O(4)H	96.82(1) x2 176.0(2) x2	O(1)-M(1)-O(4)H	92.7(3) 172.3(3)
O(3)-M(2)-O(3)	168.5(2)	O(3)-M(1)-O(3)	111.9(2)
O(3)-M(2)-O(4)H	91.2(2) x2 80.2(2) x2	O(3)-M(1)-O(4)H	88.6(2) x2
O(4)-M(2)-O(4)H	83.3(2)		

PO <sub>4</sub> tetrahedron	
O(1)-P-O(2)	105.1(4)
O(1)-P-O(3)	110.7(3) x2
O(2)-P-O(3)	111.1(3) x2
O(3)-P-O(3)	109.9(2)

**Table S3.** Summary of specific-heat data of the  $\text{Co}_{2-x}\text{Cu}_x(\text{OH})\text{PO}_4$  ( $0 \leq x \leq 2$ ) compounds.

$\text{Co}_{2-x}\text{Cu}_x(\text{OH})\text{PO}_4$	$x = 0^{(\text{L})}$	$x = 0.1$	$x = 0.3$	$x = 0.5$	$x = 1$	$x = 1.5$	$x = 2$
$T_{\text{max}}$ (K)	69.7	67	62.8	57	36	32	37
Inflexion point (K)	71.3	69.8	66.7	61.5	49		
$C_{\text{p}_{\text{mag\_max}}}$ (J/Kmol)	18.6	18.4	11.6	5.4	5.1	4.4	3.7
Width at half-height $C_{\text{p}_{\text{mag\_max}}}$ (K)	9.8	10.4	15	$\approx 20$	30		
Debye model <sup>(#)</sup>							
Range of fit (K)	>80	>80	>80	>80	>80	>90	>100
$n_1$	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2	3.2
$n_2$	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8	5.8
$\theta_1$ (K)	263	264	253	262	263	264	265
$\theta_2$ (K)	1086	1086	1112	1072	1075	1124	1112

<sup>(L)</sup> Graphical representation ( $C_{\text{p}}$ ,  $C_{\text{p}_{\text{phon}}}$ ,  $C_{\text{p}_{\text{mag}}}$ ) is given in Ref. 18.

<sup>(#)</sup> The high temperature data fitted by a Debye model considering the existence of two-phonon spectra. The unit cell contains three heavy atoms ( $n_1$ ) with a Debye temperature  $\theta_1$  and six light atoms ( $n_2$ ) with a Debye temperature  $\theta_2$ .