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An oxalate-bridged copper(II) complex combining monodentate benzoate, 2,2'-bipyridine and aqua ligands: synthesis, crystal structure and investigation of magnetic properties

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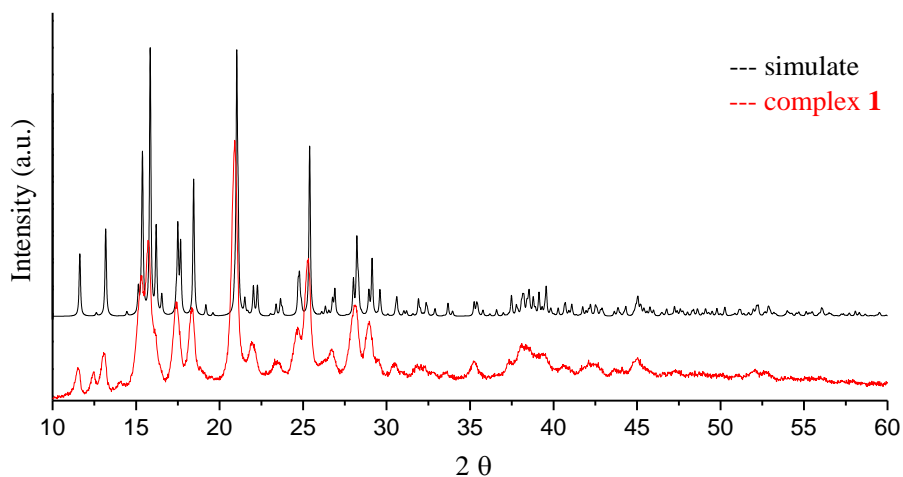


Figure S1: Comparison between simulated and experimental PXRD patterns of complex **1** (scan velocity: $0.005\text{ }^{\circ}\text{s}^{-1}$).

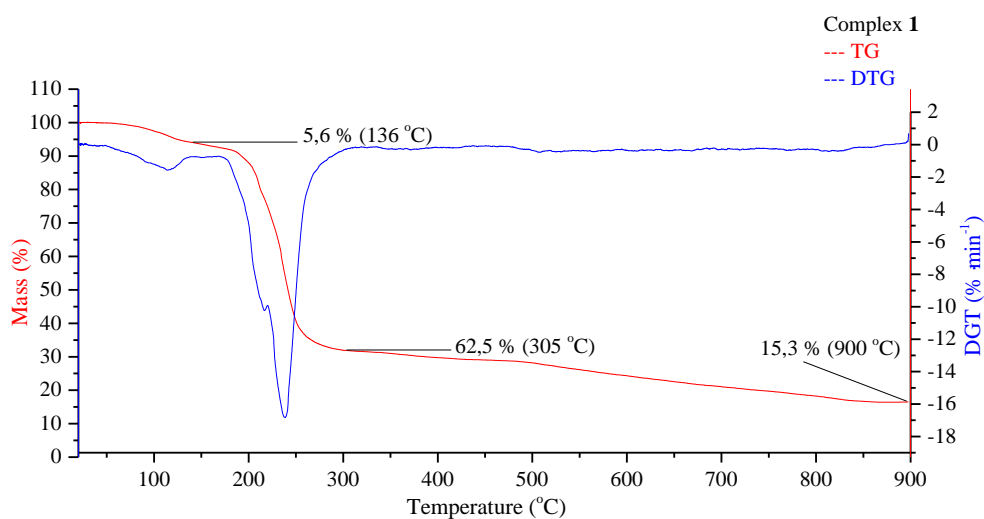


Figure S2: Thermogravimetric analysis (TG and DTG) profiles obtained for **1** in O_2/N_2 as carrier gas and temperature range of 20 to 900 $^{\circ}\text{C}$.

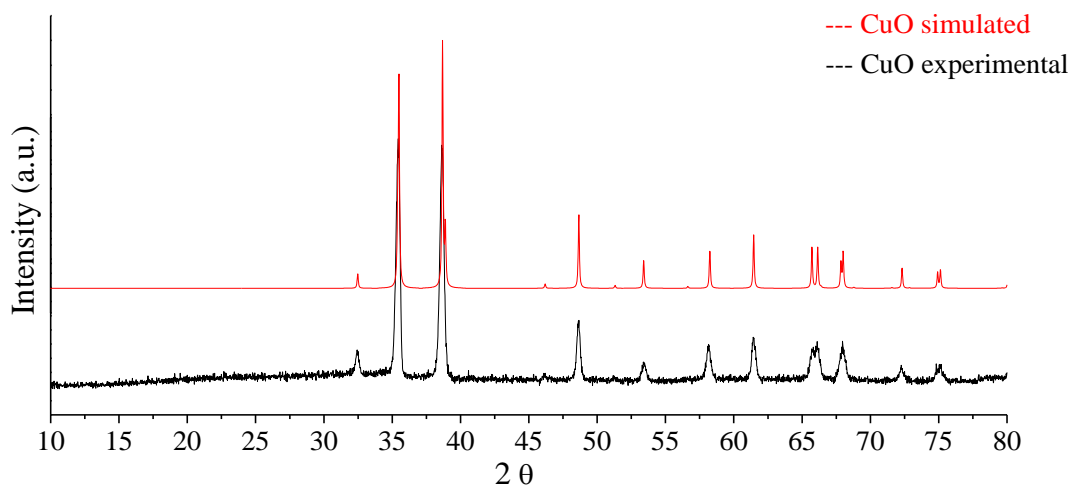


Figure S3: Comparison between simulated and experimental PXRD patterns of CuO (scan velocity: $0.005^\circ \text{ s}^{-1}$).

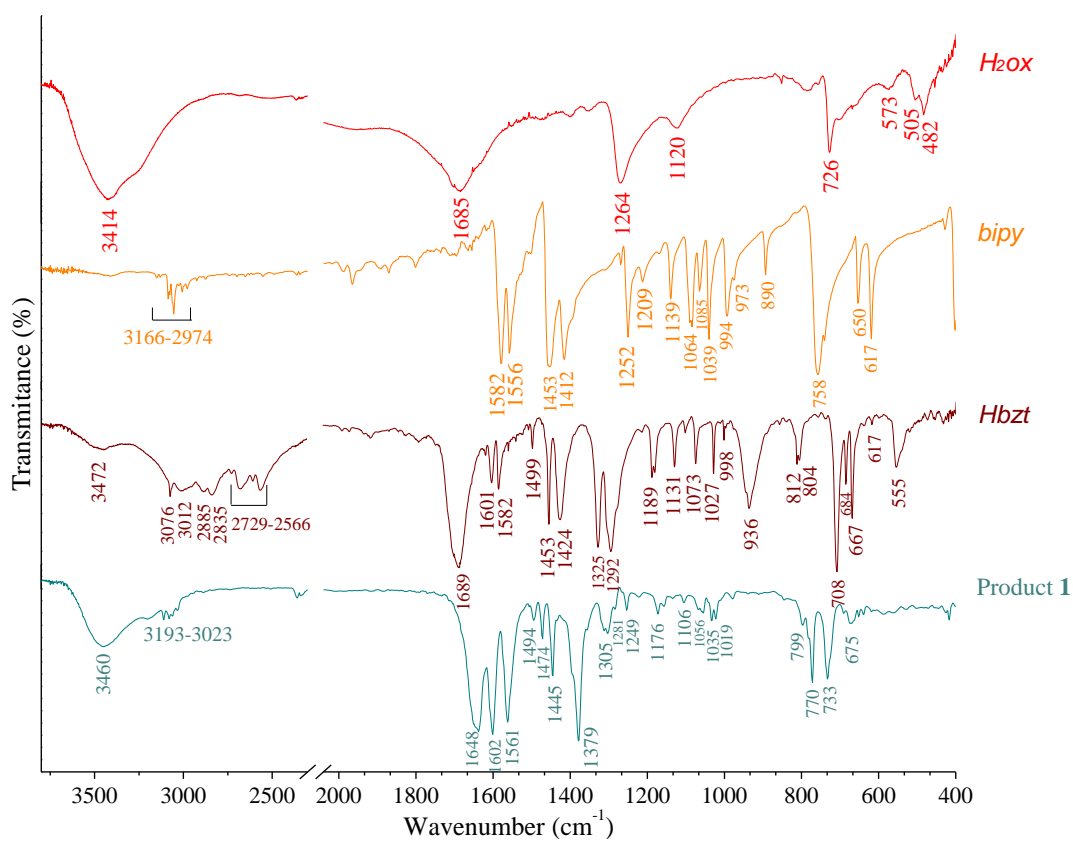


Figure S4: Infrared spectra of **1** and its starting materials, $\text{H}_2\text{ox}\cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$, *Hbzt*, and *bipy* recorded from KBr pellets.

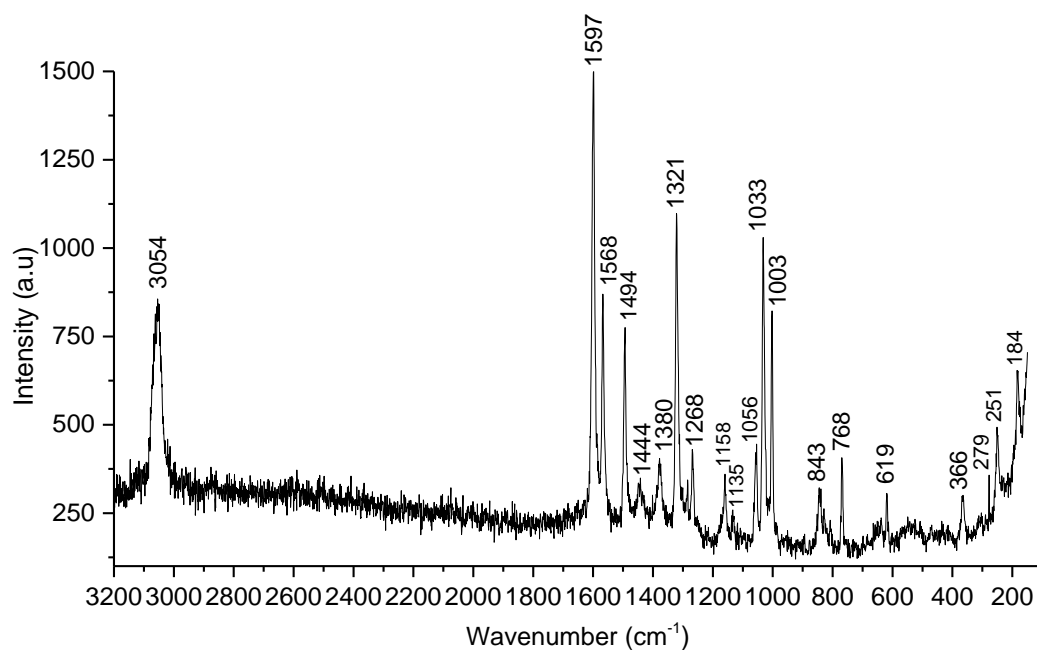


Figure S5: Raman spectrum recorded for **1** with exposure time of 10 s and power at 50 % (laser: He-Ne, 632.8 nm).

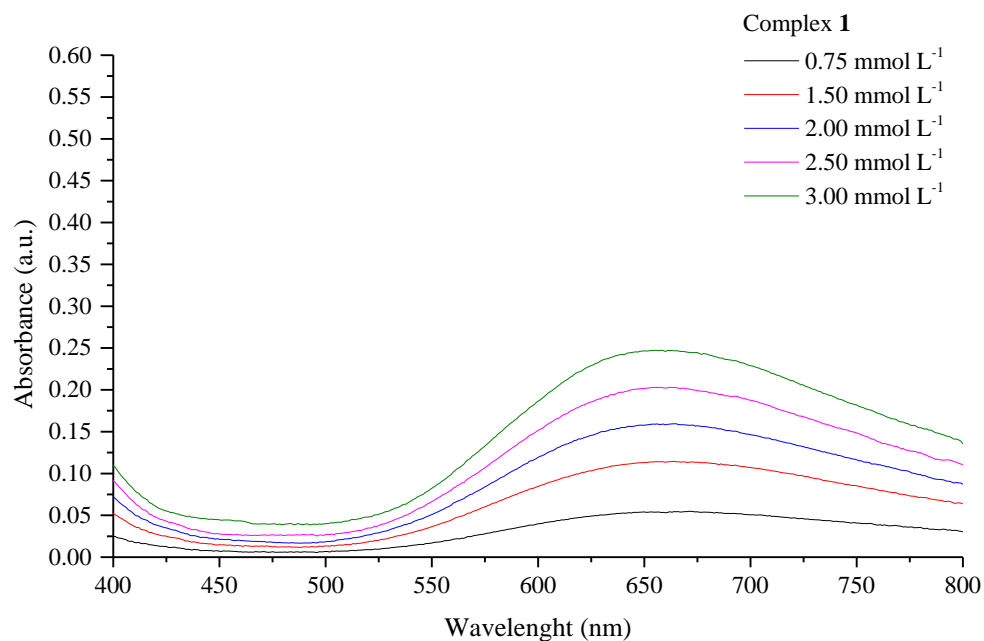


Figure S6: UV-Vis absorption spectra recorded for complex **1** at 3.00, 2.50, 2.00, 1.50, and 0.75 mmol L⁻¹ in water.

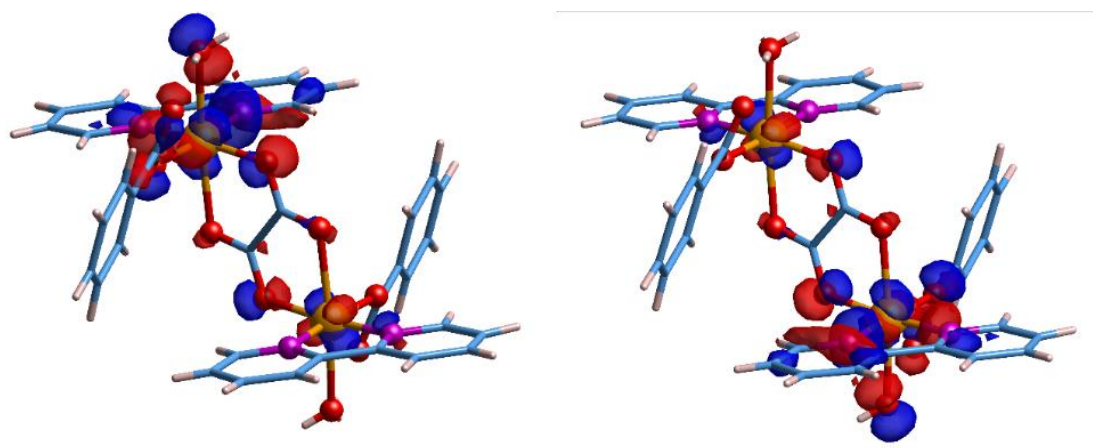


Figure S7: Graphic representation of the two occupied broken symmetry (BS), spin up and spin down, magnetic orbitals for complex **1**. The electron density isovalue was set to $0.04 e/(a_0)^3$. Light-blue: carbon, white: hydrogen; red: oxygen; orange: copper; pink: nitrogen.

Table S1: Values of 2θ angles for the experimental and simulated PXRD diffractograms of **1** from 10 to 30° displaying a difference of *ca* 0.1°

Experimental (2θ)	Simulated (2θ)
11.58	11.66
12.5	12.58
13.06	13.16
14.08	14.46
15.32	15.34
15.7	15.08
16.14	16.18
np*	16.56
17.38	17.5
18.32	18.42
**	19.18
20.9	21.06
np	21.52
21.96	22.18
23.42	23.6
24.66	24.72
25.26	25.38
**	26.3
26.72	26.88
28.08	28.18
28.98	29.12
29.46	29.6

*np = not present (it is a low-intensity peak in the theoretical diffractogram).

** = there is a shoulder at the nearby experimental peak that could refer to this low-intensity peak present in the simulated diffractogram.

Table S2: Hydrogen bond parameters (Å, °)

D–H···A	D–H	H···A	D···A	D–H···A
C(4)–H(4)···O(8) ⁱⁱ	0.92	2.28	3.096(4)	143.9
O(1)–H(1B)···O(8) ⁱⁱⁱ	0.817(18)	2.21(2)	2.954(3)	152(3)
O(1)–H(1A)···O(7)	0.836(18)	1.95(2)	2.723(3)	153(3)

Symmetry codes: (ii) -x+1, -y+1, -z+1; (iii) x-1, y, z.

Table S3: Thermal data for **1**.

Step	Temp. range (°C)	Mass loss (%)		Possible moieties lost through decomposition
		Found	Calculated	
I	54.8-135.8	5.6	4.5	2 H ₂ O
II	135.8-305.2	62.5	68.9	2 <i>bzt</i> + 2 <i>bipy</i>
III	305.2-900	15.3	10.9	<i>ox</i>
Total	-	83.4	84.3	

Table S4: Tentative assignments for the IR (cm⁻¹) spectrum recorded for complex **1** [1-4]

Tentative assignments ^a	Complex 1	<i>H₂ox</i>	<i>Hbzt</i>	<i>bipy</i>
$\nu_{as,rs}(\text{OH})$	3460	3414	3472-2835	-
$\nu_{as}(\text{CH})$	3193-3023	-	3076-3012	3166-2974
$\nu_s(\text{CH})$	-	-	2885-2566	-
$\nu_{as}(\text{CO})_{\text{COOH}}$	-	1685	1689	-
$\nu_{as}(\text{CO})_{\text{COO}^-}$	1648	-	-	-
$\nu_s(\text{CC e CN})$	1602-1412	-	1601-1453	1582-1412
$\nu_s(\text{CO})_{\text{COO}^-}$	1379	-	-	-
$\delta(\text{CH})$	1305-1019	1120; 726	1424-998	1252-973
$\beta(\text{CH})$	779-675	-	812-555	890-617
$\beta(\text{CC})$	-	726	-	-
$\beta(\text{OH})_{\text{COOH}}$	-	-	936	-
$\delta(\text{OH})_{\text{COOH}}$	-	1264	1424	-

^(a) ν_s , asymmetrical stretching; ν_s , symmetrical stretching; δ , in-plane angular deformation; β , out-of-plane angular deformation.

Table S5: Tentative assignments for the Raman scattering (cm⁻¹) spectrum recorded for complex **1** [5-8]

Tentative assignments ^(a)	Complex 1
$\nu_s(\text{OH})$	3054
$\nu_{\text{ass}}(\text{CO})_{\text{COO}^-}$	1597
$\nu_s(\text{CC ou CN})$	1597-1494
$\delta(\text{CH})$	1444
$\nu_s(\text{CO})_{\text{COO}^-}$	1380
$\delta(\text{CCH})$	1268
$\delta(\text{CC})_{\text{ring}}$	1056
$\delta(\text{OCO})$	843
$\nu(\text{Cu-O, Cu-N})$	619-366

^(a) ν_{as} , asymmetrical stretching; ν_s , symmetrical stretching; δ , in-plane angular deformation.

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