# 一个由 4,4'-(丁烷-1,4-二氧基)-二苯甲酸和双咪唑配体 构筑的三重穿插金属有机骨架化合物

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摘要:采用水热法合成了 1 个二维缠结金属有机框架化合物[Cu(bbi) $_0$ s(boba)]。(1)(bbi=1,1'-(1,4-丁烷基)-二(咪唑); $H_2$ boba=4,4'-(丁烷-1,4-二氧基)-二苯甲酸),并通过元素分析、红外光谱和单晶 X-射线衍射对其进行了结构表征。结构分析显示:化合物 1 是具有聚轮烷和聚锁烃结构特征的三重平行穿插网络。此外还研究了它的荧光和热稳定性。

关键词:三重穿插;4,4'-(丁烷-1,4-二氧基)-二苯甲酸;晶体结构

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# A 3-Fold Interpenetrating Metal-Organic Frameworks Constructed from 4,4'-(Butane-1,4-diyldioxy)dibenzoic Acid and Bis(imidazole) Ligands

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**Abstract:** A two-dimensional (2D) entangled MOF compound [Cu(bbi)<sub>0.5</sub>(boba)]<sub>n</sub> (1) (bbi=1,1'-(1,4-butanediyl)-bis (imidazole); H<sub>2</sub>boba =4,4' -(butane-1,4-diyldioxy)-dibenzoic acid) was successfully synthesized by hydrothermal reaction and structurally characterized by elemental analysis, IR spectrum, and single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The structure analysis shows that compound 1 possesses a 3-fold parallel interpenetrating net with polyrotaxane and polycatenane characters. In addition, the fluorescence properties and thermogravimetric (TG) analysis are discussed. CCDC: 951513.

Key words: 3-fold interpenetration; 4,4'-(butane-1,4-diyldioxy)-dibenzoic acid; crystal structure

# 0 Introduction

Entangled systems of metal-organic frameworks (MOFs) have undergone revolutionary growth over the past decades because of their undisputed aesthetic topological structures and potential applications<sup>[1-7]</sup>. Interpenetrating networks, among different types of entanglements, have been extensively studied<sup>[8-9]</sup>.

However, the polyrotaxane frameworks, especially those having both polyrotaxane and polycatenane characters, are still quite rare<sup>[10-15]</sup>. According to the previous literature<sup>[16-18]</sup>, the synthetic strategy for the polyrotaxane networks is mainly dependent on the ligands selected with both flexible and long rigid characters. Therefore, 4,4'-(butane-1,4-diyldioxy)-dibenzoic acid (H<sub>2</sub>boba) and 1,1'-(1,4-butanediyl)-bis

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(imidazole) (bbi) were used as the bridging ligands for building copper MOFs. In this paper, we successfully obtain an unusual 2D →2D example with 3-fold parallel interpenetrating network. Notably, it also shows both polyrotaxane and polycatenane features. Furthermore, TG analysis and fluorescence properties of this compound have been investigated.

# 1 Experimental

#### 1.1 Generals

The 4,4'-(butane-1,4-diyldioxy)-dibenzoicacid and 1,1'-(1,4-butanediyl)-bis (imidazole) were synthesized by a procedure reported earlier<sup>[19-20]</sup>, and other reagents and solvents employed were commercially available and were used as received. Elemental analysis (C, H, N) were carried out with a Perkin-Elmer 2400 CHN elemental analyzer. Infrared (IR) spectrum was obtained on a Perkin-Elmer FT/IR instrument as KBr pellets (4 000~400 cm<sup>-1</sup>). The TG analysis is conducted on a Diamond TG/DTA 6300 thermal analyzer (Perkin-Elmer Company, USA).

# 1.2 Synthesis

A mixture of  $CuSO_4 \cdot 5H_2O$  (0.2 mmol), bbi (0.3 mmol),  $H_2boba$  (0.2 mmol), NaOH (0.12 mmol), water (7 mL) and  $CH_3CH_2OH$  (3 mL) was placed in a Teflon reactor (20 mL) which was then sealed and heated to 150 °C for three days. The reaction system was slowly cooled to room temperature. Pale blue crystals suitable for single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis were collected from the final reaction system by filtration, washed several times with distilled water

and dried in air at ambient temperature. Yield: 28% based on Cu. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): 2 950s, 1 606s, 1 570s, 1 524s, 1 396s, 1 308s, 1 250s, 1 117w, 1 112w, 1 026 m, 1 000m, 857m, 783w, 718s, 701s, 659s. Anal. Calcd. for  $C_{23}H_{23}CuN_2O_6$  (%): C, 56.73; H, 4.76; N, 5.75. Found (%): C, 56.68; H, 4.81; N, 5.71.

# 1.3 X-ray structure determination

A single crystal with dimensions of 0.29 mm  $\times$  0.25 mm  $\times$ 0.24 mm was selected and mounted on a Bruker CCD diffractometer equipped with a graphite-monochromatized Mo  $K\alpha$  ( $\lambda$ =0.071 073 nm) radiation by using an  $\omega$  scanning method at 293(2) K. The structure was solved by Direct Method with SHELXS-97 program<sup>[21]</sup> and refined with SHELXL 97<sup>[22]</sup> by full-matrix least-squares techniques on  $F^2$ . All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically and hydrogen atoms of the ligands were refined as rigid groups. Selected bond lengths and angles for compound 1 are given in Table 1.

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Crystal data for compound 1:  $C_{23}H_{23}CuN_2O_6$ , triclinic, space group  $P\overline{1}$ ,  $M_w$ =486.97, a=0.786 0(5) nm, b=1.152 2(7) nm, c=1.354 5(8) nm,  $\alpha$ =101.295 0(10)°,  $\beta$ =98.503 0(10)°,  $\gamma$ =105.145 0(10)°, V=1.135 21(12) nm³, Z=2, F (000)=504,  $\mu$  (Mo  $K\alpha$ )=1.003 mm<sup>-1</sup>,  $D_c$ =1.425 g·cm<sup>-3</sup>, 6 285 reflections measured in the 1.57°  $\leq \theta \leq$  26.04° range, 4 430 unique ( $R_{int}$ =0.015 4), 3 843 observed reflections with I>2 $\sigma(I)$ ), the final R=0.035 1 and wR=0.078 6 (w=1/[ $\sigma^2(F_o^2)$ +(0.028 7P)<sup>2</sup>+0.701 7P], where P=( $F_o^2$ +2 $F_o^2$ )/3), S=1.050, ( $\Delta \rho$ )<sub>max</sub>=264 e·nm<sup>-3</sup>, ( $\Delta \rho$ )<sub>min</sub>=-359 e·nm<sup>-3</sup> and ( $\Delta/\sigma$ )<sub>max</sub>=56.

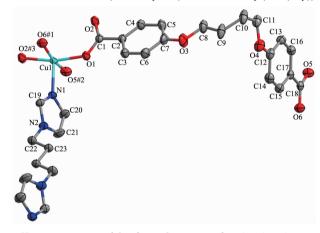
Table 1 Selected bond distances (nm) and angles (	°) fo	r I
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Cu(1)-O(5)#2	0.197 80(17)	Cu(1)-O(2)#3	0.199 22(17)	Cu(1)-O(1)	0.199 77(17)
Cu(1)-N(1)	0.211 03(19)	Cu(1)-O(6)#1	0.195 49(18)	O(2)-Cu(1)#3	0.199 22(17)
Cu(1)-Cu(1)#3	0.268 72(6)				
O(6)#1-Cu(1)-O(5)#	2 166.64(7)	O(6)#1-Cu(1)-O(2)#3	88.44(8)	O(5)#2-Cu(1)-O(2)#3	89.24(8)
O(6)#1-Cu(1)-O(1)	88.39(8)	O(5)#2-Cu(1)-O(1)	90.84(8)	O(2)#3-Cu(1)-O(1)	166.58(7)
O(6)#1-Cu(1)-N(1)	99.67(8)	O(5)#2-Cu(1)-N(1)	93.69(7)	O(2)#3-Cu(1)-N(1)	101.69(8)
O(1)-Cu(1)-N(1)	91.70(7)	O(6)#1-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#3	84.87(5)	O(5)#2-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#3	81.87(5)
O(2)#3-Cu(1)-Cu(1)	#3 87.16(5)	O(1)-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#3	79.57(5)	N(1)-Cu(1)-Cu(1)#3	170.09(6)

# 2 Results and discussion

# 2.1 Description of crystal structure

As shown in Fig.1, the asymmetric unit of compound 1 contains one Cu2+ ion, one boba2- anion, and half bbi ligand. The five-coordinated Cu2+ ion is surrounded by four carboxylate oxygen atoms from four different boba2- anions and one nitrogen atoms from one bbi ligand, which belongs to squarepyramidal coordination geometry. Each boba<sup>2-</sup> anion connects to four Cu<sup>2+</sup> ions, and both carboxylate groups adopt a  $\mu^2$ - $\eta^1$ : $\eta^1$  fashion. As a result, each pair of Cu<sup>2+</sup> ions is bridged by four carboxylate groups to generate 1D beaded chain with a Cu ··· Cu separation of 0.268 71(4) nm. The adjacent 1D beaded chains are further linked together through bbi ligands to yield a 2D sheet (Fig.2a). Notably, the sheet has two different rectangle windows of [Cu<sub>4</sub>(boba)<sub>2</sub>] and [Cu<sub>8</sub>(boba)<sub>4</sub>(bbi)<sub>2</sub>]. The [Cu<sub>4</sub>(boba)<sub>2</sub>] window is built up by four Cu<sup>2+</sup> ions and two boba<sup>2-</sup> anions with dimensions of 1.055 63(4)  $nm \times 1.102 \ 11 (5) \ nm$ , while the  $[Cu_8 (boba)_4 (bbi)_2]$ window is built up by eight Cu<sup>2+</sup> ions, four boba<sup>2-</sup> anions, and two bbi ligands with dimensions of  $1.555 \ 19(7) \ \text{nm} \times 1.688 \ 91(8) \ \text{nm}$  (Fig.2b). The windows in the single sheet are so large that they allow 3-fold interpenetration to occur in a parallel fashion (Fig.3). Moreover, this network also presents both polyrotaxane and polycatenane characters. As illustrated in Fig.3b, Every one  $[Cu_4(boba)_2]$  window of each sheet is threaded by two armed rods of the bbi ligands from two adjacent sheets in a parallel fashion, and a large window of  $[Cu_8(boba)_4(bbi)_2]$  from one sheet is interlocked by two  $[Cu_4(boba)_2]$  windows from the other two identical layers. The structure is similar to that found in the related compound  $[Zn(bpib)_{0.5}(L)]$  (bpib = 1,4-bis (2-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-imidazol-1-yl)butane,  $H_2L=4,4'-(2,2'-oxybis(ethane-2,1-diyl)bis(oxy))$ 



H atoms were omitted for clarity; Symmetry code: #1 x+1, y-1, z; #2 -x+1, -y+2; -z, #3 -x+2, -y+1, -z; Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at 40% probability

Fig.1 Coordination environment of Cu(II) atoms in 1

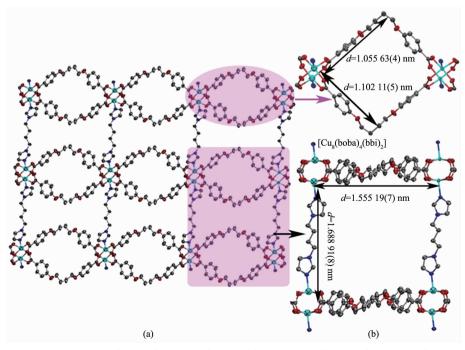


Fig.2 (a) View of the 2D sheet in 1; (b) Two different rectangle of windows in 2D sheet

dibenzoic acid)  $^{[13]}$ . Compare to the reported structure  $[Zn(bpib)_{0.5}(L)]$ , it is totally different specially the metal center. The ligands are analogue between  $[Zn(bpib)_{0.5}(L)]$  and compound 1.

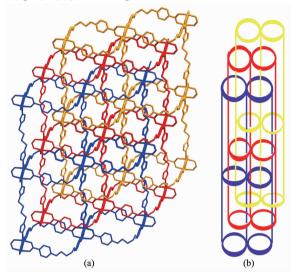


Fig.3 (a) View of the 3-fold interpenetration architecture;(b) Both polyrotaxane and polycatenane characters of 1

### 2.2 IR analysis

The COO  $^-$  is coordinated with its asymmetric and symmetric stretching appearing at 1 570 cm  $^{-1}$  ( $\nu$ (OCO)<sub>assym</sub>) and 1 396 cm  $^{-1}$  ( $\nu$ (OCO)<sub>sym</sub>)<sup>[23-24]</sup>, respectively. The  $\Delta\nu$ ( $\nu$ (OCO)<sub>assym</sub>– $\nu$ (OCO)<sub>sym</sub>) is 174 cm  $^{-1}$  (<200 cm  $^{-1}$ ), showing the presence of bridging mode carboxylates in the dianions. Therefore, the carboxylates coordinate to the Cu center as the bridging mode ligands via the carboxyl groups [25]. The IR analysis result is also in good agreement with the X-ray crystal structure of compound 1.

# 2.3 Thermogravimetric analysis

Thermogravimetric analysis (TGA) was performed to examine the thermal stability of the compound 1. The crushed single crystal sample was heated up to 600 °C under N<sub>2</sub> gas at a heating rate of 10 °C·min<sup>-1</sup>. As shown in Fig.4, the first weight loss of 83.66% occurs between room temperature and 481.5 °C, corresponding to the removal of half bbi ligand and boba<sup>2</sup>-anions (Calcd. 83.67%). Upon further heating, after 481.5 °C no weight loss is observed, indicating the complete decomposition of 1. The residual weight 16.34% (Calcd. 16.33 %) corresponding to CuO. The

above thermal behaviors may be attributed to the structural features and the TGA results basically agree with the formula of 1.

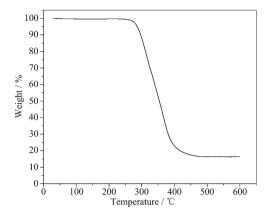


Fig.4 TG curve of 1 from room temperature to 600 °C

## 2.4 Photoluminescent properties

The fluorescence emission spectrum of compound 1 in the solid state at room temperature is shown in Fig.5. The emission peaks of bbi and H<sub>2</sub>boba are at 377 and 382 nm, respectively. The emission bands of the free ligands could be caused by  $\pi^*$ -n or  $\pi^*$ - $\pi$  transition<sup>[26]</sup>. The emission peak of compound 1 is located at 361 nm ( $\lambda_{ex}$ =332 nm). The emission band is near to that of the free ligands, so the fluorescence emission can probably be attributed to the intraligand transitions<sup>[27]</sup>.

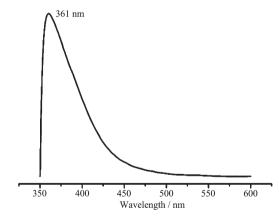


Fig.5 Emission spectrum of 1 in the solid state at room temperature

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