

# Poly[bis(trimethylammonium) [hexa- $\mu$ -cyanido-cadmium(II)dicopper(I)]]

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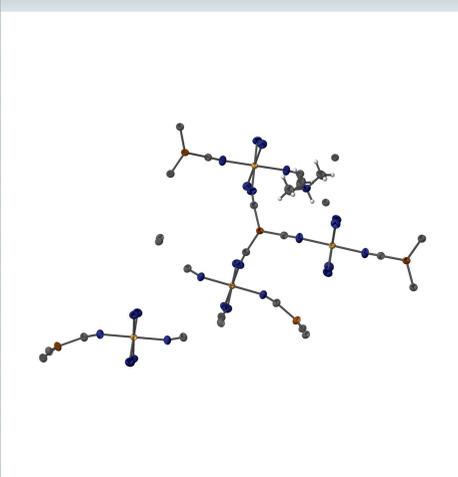
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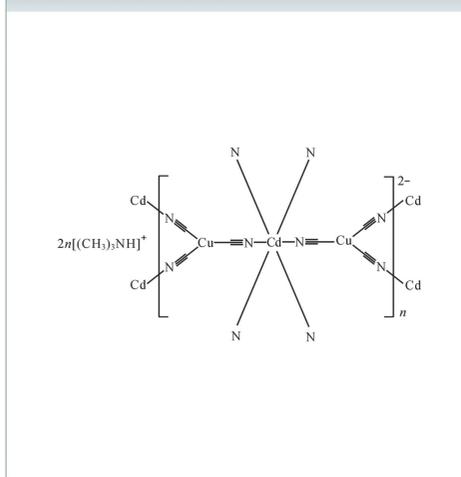
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The title compound,  $\{(\text{C}_3\text{H}_{10}\text{N})_2[\text{CdCu}_2(\text{CN})_6]\}_n$ , has been synthesized as an alternative to the high-emitting complexes containing more expensive metals. The  $\text{CN}^-$  ligands make linkages between the  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  ions to form the coordination polymer,  $[\text{CdCu}_2(\text{CN})_6]_n^{2-}$ , which is a three-dimensional framework classified as pyrite net (**pyr**). The net has a void space for accommodating a trimethylammonium ion located on a threefold rotation axis. The  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  ion lies on a special position with site symmetry  $\bar{3}$  and is octahedrally coordinated by six N atoms. The  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  ion is located on a threefold rotation axis and has a trigonal-planar coordination geometry formed by three C atoms. In the three-dimensional net, two  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  ions are arranged closely [ $\text{Cu} \cdots \text{Cu} = 3.9095(5) \text{ \AA}$ ], but the distance is not short enough to suggest a  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}-\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  interaction. The crystal studied was a merohedral twin (twin operation  $2_{[101]}$ ), the refined component ratio being 0.9202(7):0.0798(7). A powder of the title compound shows strong luminescence with an emission maximum at 509 nm and a quantum yield of 98% at room temperature.

3D view

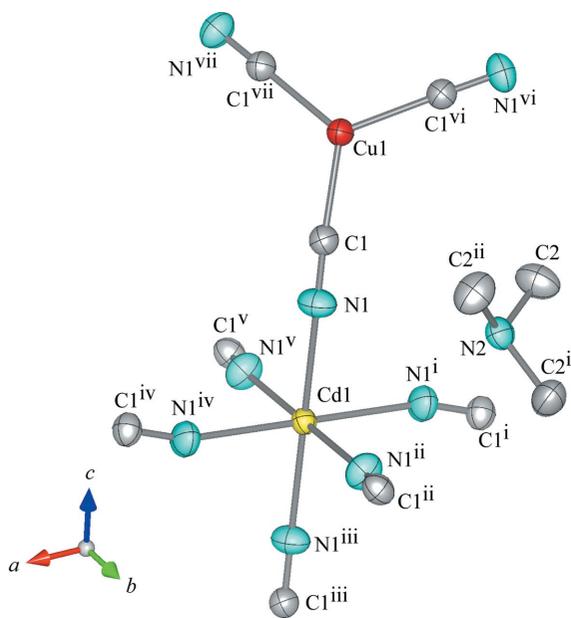


Chemical scheme



## Structure description

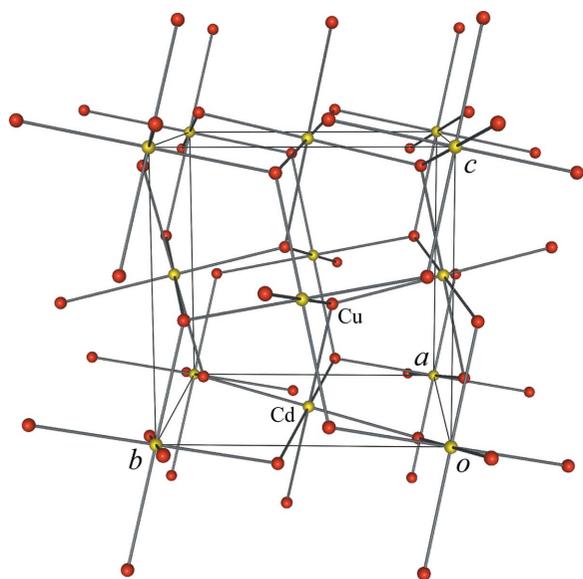
The title compound, a coordination polymer formed by  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  ions and bridging  $\text{CN}^-$  ligands, has been synthesized as an alternative to the high-emitting complexes containing more expensive metals. Combinations of  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$ ,  $\text{CN}^-$  and other building ligands have previously been used for such purposes (Lim *et al.*, 2008; Dembo *et al.*, 2010). The objective of the present work was to build a more robust and lower energy loss coordination polymer by adding  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  ions. These ions are well known as excellent building blocks for three-dimensional net structures (Iwamoto, 1996), and exhibit no emissive  $d-d$  metal-centred levels (Barbieri *et al.*, 2008). A powder of the title compound showed



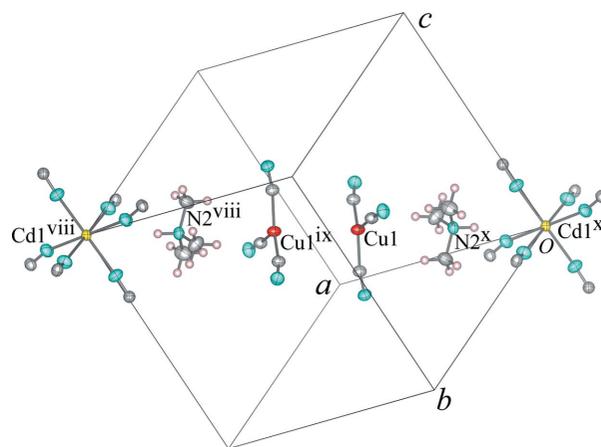
**Figure 1**  
The coordination forms of the Cd<sup>II</sup> and Cu<sup>I</sup> ions and the structure of the trimethylammonium ion in the title compound. All displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 50% probability level. H atoms have been omitted for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (i)  $-z + \frac{1}{2}, -x + 1, y - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (ii)  $-y + 1, z + \frac{1}{2}, -x + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (iii)  $-x + 1, -y + 1, -z$ ; (iv)  $z + \frac{1}{2}, x, -y + \frac{1}{2}$ ; (v)  $y, -z + \frac{1}{2}, x - \frac{1}{2}$ ; (vi)  $z, x, y$ ; (vii)  $y, z, x$ .]

luminescence with an emission maximum at 509 nm and a quantum yield of 98% at room temperature.

The Cu<sup>I</sup> ion resides on a threefold rotation axis and has a trigonal-planar coordination geometry by the C atoms of three CN<sup>-</sup> ligands. The N-terminals of the CN<sup>-</sup> ligands are linked to the Cd<sup>II</sup> ions, which are located on special positions with  $\bar{3}$  site symmetry (Fig. 1). The orientation of the bridging CN<sup>-</sup> ions



**Figure 2**  
Pyrite net (**pyr**) of the coordination polymer  $[\text{CdCu}_2(\text{CN})_6]_n^{2-}$ . The CN<sup>-</sup> ligands linking the Cd<sup>II</sup> (octahedral coordination sphere) and the Cu<sup>I</sup> (trigonal-planar coordination sphere) ions are represented as solid lines.



**Figure 3**  
An arrangement of the Cd<sup>II</sup> (octahedral coordination sphere), Cu<sup>I</sup> (trigonal-planar coordination sphere) and (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>NH<sup>+</sup> ions on the threefold rotation axis running along the diagonal line of the unit cell. The distance between Cu1 and Cu1<sup>ix</sup> is 3.9095 (5) Å. [Symmetry codes: (viii)  $x + \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{3}{2}, 1 - z$ ; (ix)  $1 - x, 1 - y, 1 - z$ ; (x)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{1}{2}, -z$ ; (xi)  $x - \frac{1}{2}, -y + \frac{1}{2}, -z$ .]

was confirmed by <sup>113</sup>Cd CP/MAS NMR spectra, which showed a single peak at a chemical shift of 191 p.p.m. [referenced to an external Cd(NO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>·4H<sub>2</sub>O standard]. This chemical shift indicates that each Cd<sup>II</sup> ion is octahedrally coordinated by six N atoms (Nishikiori *et al.*, 1990). The Cu<sup>I</sup>–CN–Cd<sup>II</sup> linkages form an infinite  $[\text{CdCu}_2(\text{CN})_6]_n^{2-}$  three-dimensional net. The topology of this net is characterized as **pyr** (pyrite net; Fig. 2),

**Table 1**  
Experimental details.

Crystal data	
Chemical formula	(C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N) <sub>2</sub> [CdCu <sub>2</sub> (CN) <sub>6</sub> ]
<i>M<sub>r</sub></i>	515.87
Crystal system, space group	Cubic, <i>Pa</i> $\bar{3}$
Temperature (K)	296
<i>a</i> (Å)	12.3775 (9)
<i>V</i> (Å <sup>3</sup> )	1896.3 (4)
<i>Z</i>	4
Radiation type	Mo <i>K</i> α
<i>μ</i> (mm <sup>-1</sup> )	3.34
Crystal size (mm)	0.32 × 0.29 × 0.22
Data collection	
Diffractometer	Bruker APEXII
Absorption correction	Multi-scan ( <i>SADABS</i> ; Bruker, 2012)
<i>T<sub>min</sub></i> , <i>T<sub>max</sub></i>	0.627, 0.746
No. of measured, independent and observed [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )] reflections	11150, 861, 772
<i>R<sub>int</sub></i>	0.025
(sin θ/λ) <sub>max</sub> (Å <sup>-1</sup> )	0.677
Refinement	
<i>R</i> [ <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> > 2σ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> )], <i>wR</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> ), <i>S</i>	0.017, 0.044, 1.11
No. of reflections	861
No. of parameters	38
H-atom treatment	H-atom parameters constrained
Δρ <sub>max</sub> , Δρ <sub>min</sub> (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.28, -0.28

Computer programs: *APEX2* and *SAINT* (Bruker, 2012), *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick 2008), *SHELXL2017* (Sheldrick, 2015), *VESTA 3* (Momma & Izumi, 2011) and *publCIF* (Westrip, 2010).

the same as that of MOF-150 (Chae *et al.*, 2003). The two closest  $\text{Cu}(\text{CN})_3$  units, which reside on the same threefold rotation axis, are stacked in a staggered conformation with an inversion centre at their mid point (Fig. 3). The distance between the two  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  ions [3.9095 (5) Å] precludes a  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}\text{--Cu}^{\text{I}}$  interaction, the contribution of which to luminescence behaviour has previously been discussed (Nishikawa *et al.*, 2016). The  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{NH}^+$  ions that balance the negative charges of the three-dimensional polymer are trapped in the voids of the pyrite net. The principal axis of the  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{NH}^+$  ion coincides with the threefold rotation axis on which the  $\text{Cu}^{\text{I}}$  and  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  ions reside. The lone H atom of the  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{NH}^+$  ion is oriented towards the  $\text{Cd}^{\text{II}}$  ion (Fig. 3).

### Synthesis and crystallization

The title compound was prepared from an aqueous solution containing  $\text{Cd}(\text{CN})_2$ ,  $\text{CuCN}$ ,  $\text{NaCN}$  and  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{NHCl}$ . Into 20 ml of water  $\text{Cd}(\text{CN})_2$  (0.33 g, 2 mmol),  $\text{CuCN}$  (0.18 g, 2 mmol) and  $\text{NaCN}$  (0.40 g, 8.2 mmol) were added. The mixture was warmed with stirring until it turned to a clear solution. Then,  $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{NHCl}$  (0.19 g, 2 mmol) was dissolved into the solution. After keeping the solution at 278 K for a week, colourless crystals of the title compound were obtained. Analysis calculated for  $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{20}\text{CdCu}_2\text{N}_8$ : C 27.94, H 3.91, N 21.72%; found: C 27.85, H 3.98, N 21.87%.

### Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details are summarized in Table 1. In the final stage, the refinement was carried out assuming merohedral twinning, as suggested by the *PLATON* program (Spek, 2015), with the twin operation  $2_{[101]}$ , and the final BASF parameter was 0.0798 (7).

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## full crystallographic data

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$(\text{C}_3\text{H}_{10}\text{N})_2[\text{CdCu}_2(\text{CN})_6]$

$M_r = 515.87$

Cubic,  $P\bar{a}3$

$a = 12.3775$  (9) Å

$V = 1896.3$  (4) Å<sup>3</sup>

$Z = 4$

$F(000) = 1016$

$D_x = 1.807$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation,  $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å

Cell parameters from 5459 reflections

$\theta = 2.9$ – $28.5^\circ$

$\mu = 3.34$  mm<sup>-1</sup>

$T = 296$  K

Block, colourless

$0.32 \times 0.29 \times 0.22$  mm

*Data collection*

Bruker APEXII

diffractometer

Radiation source: fine-focus sealed tube

Graphite monochromator

Detector resolution: 8.3333 pixels mm<sup>-1</sup>

phi and  $\omega$  scans

Absorption correction: multi-scan

(SADABS; Bruker, 2012)

$T_{\min} = 0.627$ ,  $T_{\max} = 0.746$

11150 measured reflections

861 independent reflections

772 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.025$

$\theta_{\max} = 28.8^\circ$ ,  $\theta_{\min} = 1.7^\circ$

$h = -16 \rightarrow 11$

$k = -14 \rightarrow 16$

$l = -15 \rightarrow 16$

*Refinement*

Refinement on  $F^2$

Least-squares matrix: full

$R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.017$

$wR(F^2) = 0.044$

$S = 1.11$

861 reflections

38 parameters

0 restraints

Primary atom site location: structure-invariant

direct methods

Secondary atom site location: difference Fourier map

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites

H-atom parameters constrained

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0208P)^2 + 0.6318P]$

where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\max} < 0.001$

$\Delta\rho_{\max} = 0.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

$\Delta\rho_{\min} = -0.28$  e Å<sup>-3</sup>

*Special details*

**Geometry.** Bond distances, angles etc. have been calculated using the rounded fractional coordinates. All su's are estimated from the variances of the (full) variance-covariance matrix. The cell esds are taken into account in the estimation of distances, angles and torsion angles

**Refinement.** Refined as a 2-component twin.

Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	$U_{\text{iso}}^*/U_{\text{eq}}$
Cd1	0.500000	0.500000	0.000000	0.02365 (9)
Cu1	0.40882 (2)	0.40882 (2)	0.40882 (2)	0.03148 (11)
N1	0.48328 (15)	0.49244 (15)	0.18799 (14)	0.0413 (4)
C1	0.46209 (16)	0.46692 (16)	0.27362 (15)	0.0335 (4)
N2	0.29859 (12)	0.70141 (12)	0.20141 (12)	0.0338 (6)
H2	0.344303	0.655696	0.155697	0.041*
C2	0.20128 (19)	0.6377 (2)	0.23072 (19)	0.0521 (6)
H2A	0.222902	0.572912	0.267472	0.078*
H2B	0.162203	0.619101	0.166360	0.078*
H2C	0.155818	0.679893	0.277288	0.078*

Atomic displacement parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2$ )

	$U^{11}$	$U^{22}$	$U^{33}$	$U^{12}$	$U^{13}$	$U^{23}$
Cd1	0.02365 (9)	0.02365 (9)	0.02365 (9)	0.00096 (6)	0.00096 (6)	-0.00096 (6)
Cu1	0.03148 (11)	0.03148 (11)	0.03148 (11)	0.00670 (10)	0.00670 (10)	0.00670 (10)
N1	0.0470 (10)	0.0483 (11)	0.0286 (8)	-0.0062 (8)	0.0020 (7)	0.0031 (7)
C1	0.0340 (9)	0.0340 (9)	0.0324 (9)	0.0042 (8)	0.0033 (8)	0.0028 (7)
N2	0.0338 (6)	0.0338 (6)	0.0338 (6)	0.0038 (6)	0.0038 (6)	-0.0038 (6)
C2	0.0514 (13)	0.0599 (14)	0.0450 (12)	-0.0161 (11)	0.0071 (10)	-0.0003 (11)

Geometric parameters ( $\text{\AA}$ ,  $^\circ$ )

Cd1—N1	2.3379 (17)	N1—C1	1.137 (3)
Cd1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	2.3379 (17)	N2—C2	1.485 (3)
Cd1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	2.3379 (17)	N2—C2 <sup>i</sup>	1.485 (3)
Cd1—N1 <sup>iii</sup>	2.3379 (17)	N2—C2 <sup>ii</sup>	1.485 (3)
Cd1—N1 <sup>iv</sup>	2.3379 (17)	N2—H2	0.9800
Cd1—N1 <sup>v</sup>	2.3379 (17)	C2—H2A	0.9600
Cu1—C1	1.9371 (19)	C2—H2B	0.9600
Cu1—C1 <sup>vi</sup>	1.9371 (19)	C2—H2C	0.9600
Cu1—C1 <sup>vii</sup>	1.9371 (19)		
N1—Cd1—N1 <sup>i</sup>	87.44 (6)	C1—Cu1—C1 <sup>vii</sup>	119.24 (8)
N1—Cd1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	87.44 (6)	C1 <sup>vi</sup> —Cu1—C1 <sup>vii</sup>	119.24 (8)
N1—Cd1—N1 <sup>iii</sup>	180.00	Cd1—N1—C1	163.66 (17)
N1—Cd1—N1 <sup>iv</sup>	92.56 (6)	Cu1—C1—N1	170.85 (18)
N1—Cd1—N1 <sup>v</sup>	92.56 (6)	C2—N2—C2 <sup>i</sup>	111.25 (16)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>ii</sup>	87.44 (6)	C2—N2—C2 <sup>ii</sup>	111.25 (16)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>iii</sup>	92.56 (6)	C2 <sup>i</sup> —N2—C2 <sup>ii</sup>	111.25 (16)
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>iv</sup>	180.00	C2—N2—H2	108.00
N1 <sup>i</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>v</sup>	92.56 (6)	C2 <sup>i</sup> —N2—H2	108.00
N1 <sup>ii</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>iii</sup>	92.56 (6)	C2 <sup>ii</sup> —N2—H2	108.00
N1 <sup>ii</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>iv</sup>	92.56 (6)	N2—C2—H2A	109.00
N1 <sup>ii</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>v</sup>	180.00	N2—C2—H2B	109.00

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N1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>iv</sup>	87.44 (6)	N2—C2—H2C	109.00
N1 <sup>iii</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>v</sup>	87.44 (6)	H2A—C2—H2B	109.00
N1 <sup>iv</sup> —Cd1—N1 <sup>v</sup>	87.44 (6)	H2A—C2—H2C	109.00
C1—Cu1—C1 <sup>vi</sup>	119.24 (8)	H2B—C2—H2C	109.00

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Symmetry codes: (i)  $-z+1/2, -x+1, y-1/2$ ; (ii)  $-y+1, z+1/2, -x+1/2$ ; (iii)  $-x+1, -y+1, -z$ ; (iv)  $z+1/2, x, -y+1/2$ ; (v)  $y, -z+1/2, x-1/2$ ; (vi)  $z, x, y$ ; (vii)  $y, z, x$ .