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Atropisomers and a copper(II) complex derived from 1,3-dimethyl-5-(8'quinolinylazo)-6-aminouracil: structures, magnetism and biological properties

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Functional groups	Ligand, H ₂ L	8-Azaxanthine (α-atropisomer)	Cu(II)-Complex
–NH and Ar-H	3438, 2925,2847	3439,3068, 2923,2849	3440,3293 ,3056,2939
>2C=O	1700	1723	1710
>4C=O	1644	1674	1662
-C=N/-C=C-	1617	1605	1561
-N=N-	1452	-	1462
-C-O	1281	1293	1285
-C-C-	1246		1195
-C-N-	1087		1085
-N-C _{bend}	-	1354	-
N-C _{stret}	-	1059	-
Other bands	935, 800, 741,471	990, 849, 768,741, 657	954,822,770,569, 477

Table S1. Assigned stretching frequencies of all the synthesised compounds.

1,3-dimethyl-8-(8'-quinolinyl)azaxanthine						
α-atropisomer (2)		β-atropisomer (3)		Cu(II)-Complex (4)		
Bond	Length/Å	Bond	Length/Å	Bond	Length/Å	
O1-C11	1.217(2)	O1-C11	1.2180(19)	Cu1-O3	2.2207(13)	
O2-C12	1.214(2)	O2-C12	1.215(2)	Cu1-O4	2.0570(12)	
N1-C8	1.330(2)	N1-C8	1.328(2)	Cu1-N1	1.9837(15)	
N1-C9	1.366(2)	N1-C9	1.366(2)	Cu1-N2	1.9557(15)	
N2-N3	1.327(2)	N2-N3	1.3277(19)	Cu1-N6	1.9211(15)	
N2-N4	1.362(2)	N2-N4	1.3616(19)	O1-C11	1.225(2)	
N2-C1	1.432(2)	N2-C1	1.432(2)	O2-C12	1.220(2)	
N3-C10	1.343(2)	N3-C10	1.343(2)	N1-C8	1.331(2)	
N4-C13	1.325(2)	N4-C13	1.325(2)	N1-C9	1.365(2)	
N5-C11	1.403(2)	N5-C11	1.403(2)	N2-N3	1.297(2)	
N5-C12	1.409(2)	N5-C12	1.409(2)	N2-C1	1.413(2)	
N5-C14	1.471(2)	N5-C14	1.472(2)	N3-C10	1.340(2)	
N6-C12	1.380(2)	N6-C12	1.380(2)	N4-C11	1.391(2)	
N6-C13	1.374(2)	N6-C13	1.372(2)	N4-C12	1.380(2)	
N6-C15	1.467(2)	N6-C15	1.466(2)	N4-C14	1.469(2)	
C1-C2	1.371(2)	C1-C2	1.372(2)	N5-C12	1.389(2)	
C1-C9	1.424(2)	C1-C9	1.424(2)	N5-C13	1.392(2)	
C2-C3	1.411(3)	C2-C3	1.410(2)	N5-C15	1.468(2)	
C3-C4	1.366(3)	C3-C4	1.365(2)	N6-C13	1.296(2)	
C4-C5	1.419(3)	C4-C5	1.418(2)	C1-C2	1.369(2)	
C5-C6	1.414(2)	C5-C6	1.415(2)	C1-C9	1.425(2)	
C5-C9	1.427(2)	C5-C9	1.428(2)	C2-C3	1.412(2)	
C6-C7	1.364(2)	C6-C7	1.364(2)	C3-C4	1.377(3)	
C7-C8	1.410(3)	C7-C8	1.411(3)	C4-C5	1.419(3)	
C10-C11	1.452(2)	C10-C11	1.450(2)	C5-C6	1.415(2)	
C10-C13	1.389(2)	C10-C13	1.390(2)	C5-C9	1.413(2)	
				O5-N7	1.2742(19)	
				C6-C7	1.370(3)	
				O6-N7	1.2570(19)	
				C7-C8	1.402(3)	
				07-N7	1.2336(19)	
				C10-C11	1.462(2)	
				C10-C13	1.442(2)	

Table S2. Bond length of atropisomers of 8-azaxanthine and Cu(II)-complex of H_2L .

1,3-dimethyl-8-(8'-quinolinyl)azaxanthine					
<i>α</i> -atropisomer (2) <i>β</i> -atropisomer (3)		Cu(II)-Complex (4)			
Bond	Angle /°	Bond	Angle /°	Bond	Angle /°
C8-N1-C9	116.83(15)	C8-N1-C9	116.86(14)	O3-Cu1-O4	86.46(5)
N3-N2-N4	116.69(13)	N3-N2-N4	116.64(13)	O3-Cu1-N1	87.68(5)
N3-N2-C1	124.85(14)	N3-N2-C1	124.83(13)	O3-Cu1-N2	120.49(5)
N4-N2-C1	118.35(13)	N4-N2-C1	118.42(13)	O3-Cu1-N6	98.12(5)
N2-N3-C10	102.39(13)	N2-N3-C10	102.38(13)	O4-Cu1-N1	92.57(6)
N2-N4-C13	101.50(13)	N2-N4-C13	101.58(13)	O4-Cu1-N2	152.31(6)
C11-N5-C12	127.98(15)	C11-N5-C12	127.96(13)	O4-Cu1-N6	92.95(6)
C11-N5-C14	116.93(15)	C11-N5-C14	116.93(14)	N1-Cu1-N2	83.08(6)
C12-N5-C14	115.06(15)	C12-N5-C14	115.09(14)	N1-Cu1-N6	172.23(6)
C12-N6-C13	118.92(14)	C12-N6-C13	118.92(14)	N2-Cu1-N6	89.50(6)
C12-N6-C15	120.02(14)	C12-N6-C15	120.01(14)	Cu1-N1-C8	128.49(13)
C13-N6-C15	121.05(14)	C13-N6-C15	121.06(14)	Cu1-N1-C9	112.60(11)
N2-C1-C2	116.80(14)	N2-C1-C2	116.76(14)	C8-N1-C9	118.82(15)
N2-C1-C9	121.10(14)	N2-C1-C9	121.17(14)	Cu1-N2-N3	131.21(12)
C2-C1-C9	122.01(15)	C2-C1-C9	121.96(15)	Cu1-N2-C1	113.62(11)
C1-C2-C3	119.97(15)	C1-C2-C3	119.97(14)	N3-N2-C1	115.13(14)
C2-C3-C4	120.40(16)	C2-C3-C4	120.46(15)	N2-N3-C10	120.82(15)
C3-C4-C5	120.44(16)	C3-C4-C5	120.42(15)	C11-N4-C12	125.10(14)
C4-C5-C6	122.12(16)	C4-C5-C6	122.20(15)	C11-N4-C14	117.65(15)
C4-C5-C9	120.29(15)	C4-C5-C9	120.30(14)	C12-N4-C14	117.23(14)
C6-C5-C9	117.60(14)	C6-C5-C9	117.50(14)	C12-N5-C13	124.41(15)
C5-C6-C7	119.31(17)	C5-C6-C7	119.35(16)	C12-N5-C15	116.73(14)
C6-C7-C8	118.99(16)	C6-C7-C8	118.95(15)	Cu1-N6-C13	128.58(12)
N1-C8-C7	124.42(16)	N1-C8-C7	124.47(16)	N2-C1-C2	127.01(15)
N1-C9-C1	120.24(15)	N1-C9-C1	120.24(15)	N2-C1-C9	113.52(14)
N1-C9-C5	122.85(14)	N1-C9-C5	122.86(14)	C2-C1-C9	119.47(15)
C1-C9-C5	116.88(14)	C1-C9-C5	116.88(14)	C13-N5-C15	118.78(14)
N3-C10-C11	129.38(15)	N3-C10-C11	129.38(15)	C1-C2-C3	120.39(16)
N3-C10-C13	109.06(15)	N3-C10-C13	109.09(14)	C2-C3-C4	121.17(16)
C11-C10-C13	121.56(15)	C11-C10-C13	121.52(15)	C3-C4-C5	119.77(16)
01-C11-N5	122.35(16)	01-C11-N5	122.30(15)	C4-C5-C6	124.50(16)
O1-C11-C10	126.55(15)	O1-C11-C10	126.55(15)	C4-C5-C9	118.85(15)
N5-C11-C10	111.10(14)	N5-C11-C10	111.14(13)	C6-C5-C9	116.65(16)

Table S3. Bond angles of atropisomers of 8-azaxanthine and Cu(II)-complex of H_2L .

O2-C12-N5	120.66(16)	O2-C12-N5	120.65(15)	C5-C6-C7	120.36(17)
O2-C12-N6	122.28(15)	O2-C12-N6	122.32(15)	C6-C7-C8	119.15(17)
N5-C12-N6	117.05(14)	N5-C12-N6	117.02(14)	N1-C8-C7	122.46(17)
N4-C13-N6	126.35(15)	N4-C13-N6	126.38(14)	N1-C9-C1	117.12(15)
N4-C13-C10	110.37(15)	N4-C13-C10	110.31(14)	N1-C9-C5	122.57(15)
N6-C13-C10	123.28(16)	N6-C13-C10	123.31(15)	C1-C9-C5	120.32(16)
				N3-C10-C11	112.73(15)
				N3-C10-C13	127.05(15)
				C11-C10-C13	120.22(14)
				01-C11-N4	119.05(15)
				O1-C11-C10	124.75(15)
				N4-C11-C10	116.20(15)
				O2-C12-N4	121.66(17)
				O2-C12-N5	121.43(17)
				N4-C12-N5	116.91(14)
				N5-C13-N6	120.20(15)
				N4-C13-C10	117.09(14)
				N6-C13-C10	122.71(15)
				O5-N7-O6	118.80(14)
				O5-N7-O7	119.87(14)
				O6-N7-O7	121.34(15)
Atoms	Torsion	Atoms	Torsion	Atoms	Torsion
N3-N2-C1-C9	$\frac{\text{Angle (°)}}{48.7(2)}$	N3-N2-C1-C9	Angle (°) -48.7(2)	Cu1-N1-C8-C7	Angle (°) $-176,93(14)$
N3 N2 N/ C13	+0.7(2)	N2 N2 N4	-40.7(2)	$\frac{\text{Cut-Nt-Co-C}}{\text{Cut-Nt-Co-C}}$	-170.93(14)
113-112-114-015	-0.32(19)	C13	0.52(10)	Cu1-111-C3-C1	-2.00(18)
C6-C5-C9-C1	-178.25(15)	C6-C5-C9-C1	178.28(15)	Cu1-N1-C9-C5	177.39(12)
C9-C5-C6-C7	-0.9(3)	C9-C5-C6-C7	1.0(3)	Cu1-N2-N3-C10	0.4(2)
C13-N6-C12- N5	3.2(3)	C13-N6-C12- N5	-3.3(2)	Cu1-N2-C1-C9	0.94(17)
C3-C4-C5-C6	179.12(19)	C3-C4-C5-C6	-179.16(19)	Cu1-N6-C13- C10	-4.4(2)
N4-N2-C1-C9	-135.41(15)	N4-N2-C1-C9	135.33(15)	O3-Cu1-N1-C8	57.67(15)
N3-C10-C11- 01	-0.1(4)	N3-C10-C11- O1	0.1(3)	O3-Cu1-N2-C1	81.35(12)
C4-C5-C9-N1	179.05(16)	C4-C5-C9-N1	-179.01(16)	N2-Cu1-N1-C9	2.40(11)
C14-N5-C11- O1	1.1(3)	C14-N5-C11- O1	-1.1(2)	N1-Cu1-N2-C1	-1.82(11)