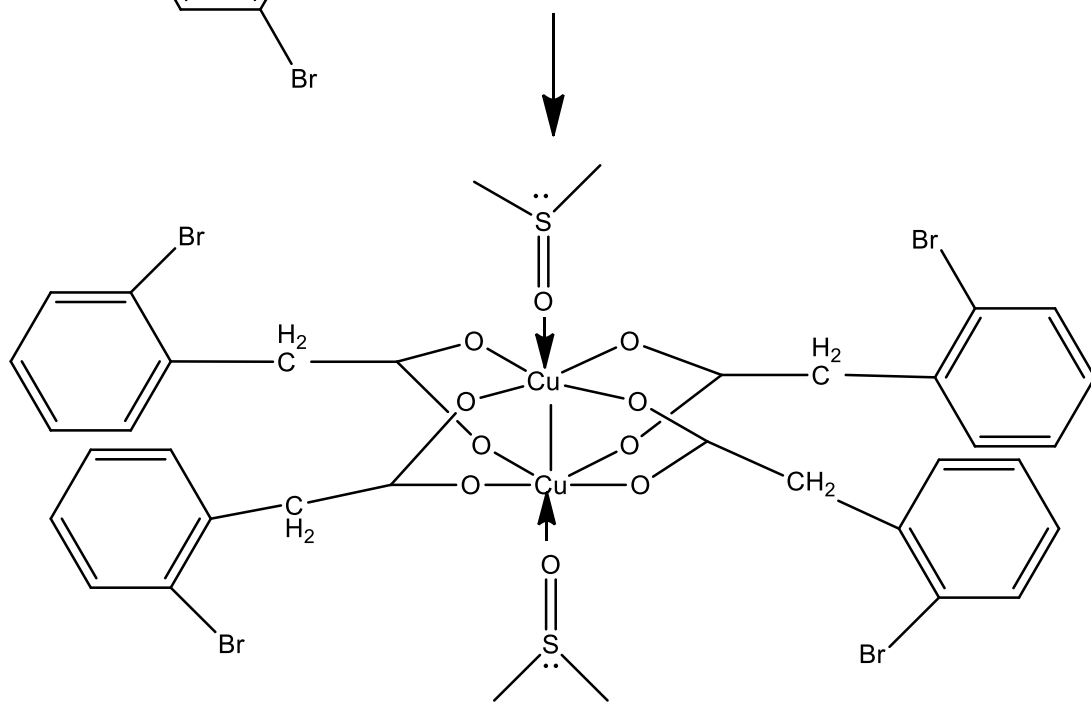
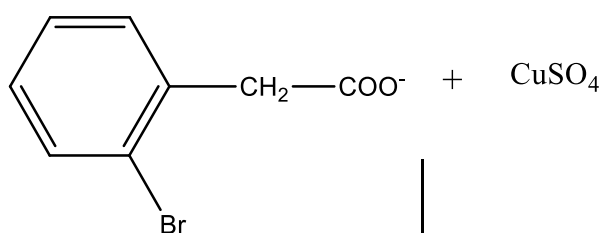
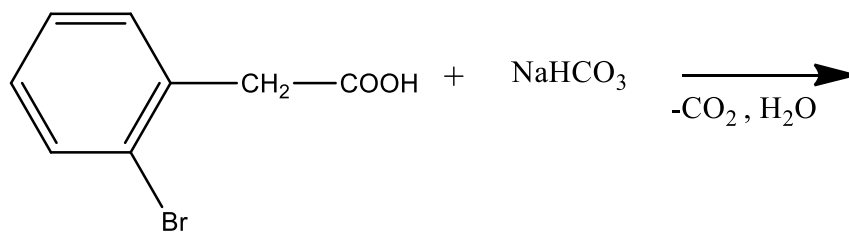
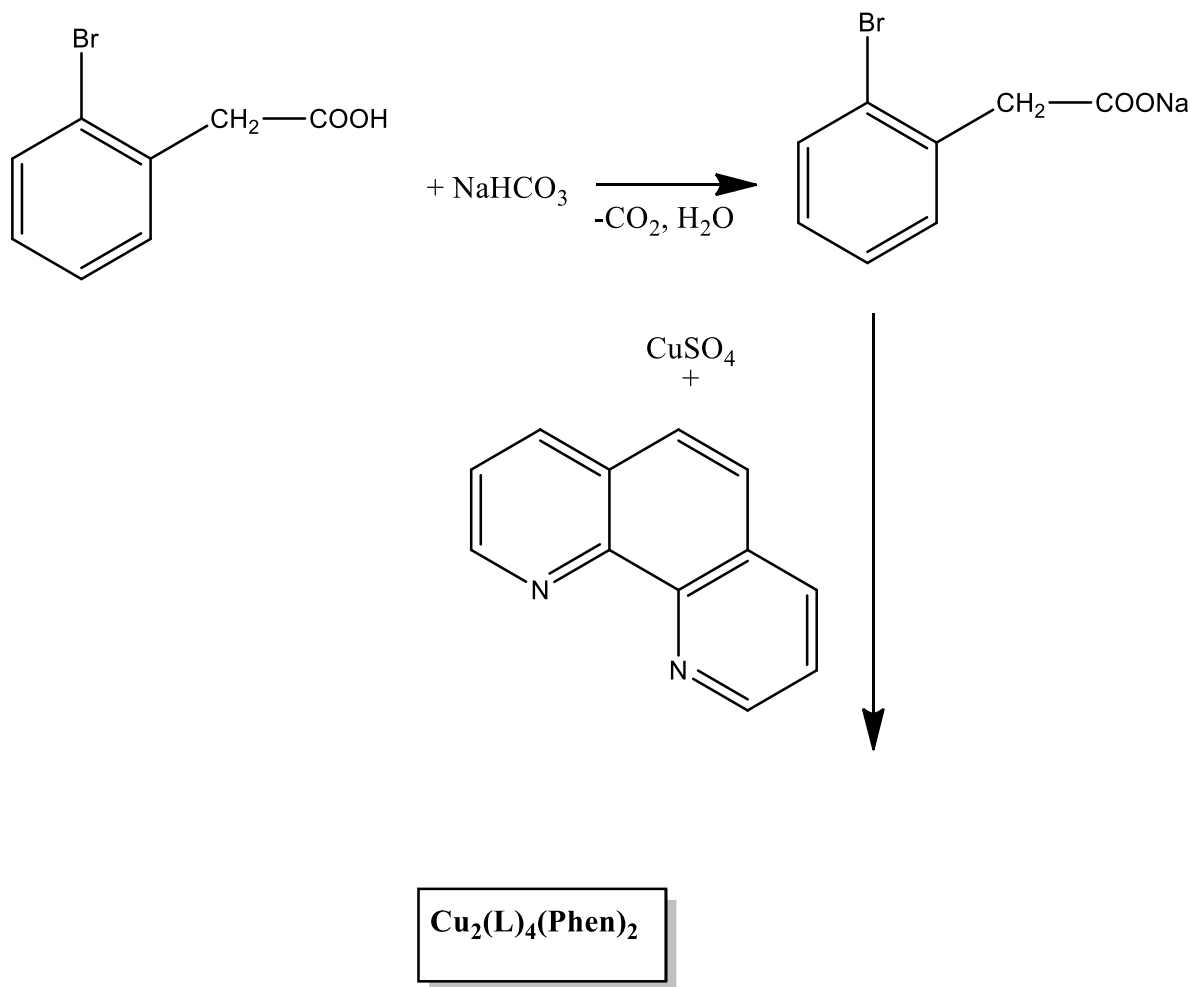


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8 Where L= 2-bromophenyl acetate and Phen= 1,10- phenanthroline

9 **Scheme S2.** Synthesis of complex 2

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11 Table S1. Crystal data and structure refinement parameters for complexes

| Parameter | 1 | 2 |
|-------------------------------------|---|---|
| Empirical formula | C ₅₆ H ₄₀ Br ₄ Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₈ | C ₅₆ H ₄₀ Br ₄ Cu ₂ N ₄ O ₈ |
| Formula weight, g mol ⁻¹ | 1139.48 | 1343.64 |
| Temperature, K | 296(2) | 296(2) |
| Wavelength, Å | 0.71073 | 0.71073 |
| Crystal system | Triclinic | Monoclinic |
| Space group | P -1 | C 2/c |
| Unit cell dimensions | | |

| | | |
|---|--|--|
| $a / \text{Å}$ | 8.3934(8) | 29.194(3) |
| $b / \text{Å}$ | 10.5368(9) | 10.9925(6) |
| $c / \text{Å}$ | 12.8600(13) | 20.352(2) |
| $\alpha / ^\circ$ | 89.424(3) | 90 |
| $\beta / ^\circ$ | 73.408(2) | 130.365(2) |
| $\gamma / ^\circ$ | 72.498(3) | 90 |
| Volume, Å^3 | 1035.94(17) | 4976.4(8) |
| Z | 2 | 4 |
| Density (calculated), Mg/m^3 | 1.827 | 1.793 |
| Absorption coefficient, mm^{-1} | 5.038 | 4.129 |
| F(000) | 562 | 2664 |
| Crystal size (mm^3) | $0.44 \times 0.32 \times 0.28$ | $0.38 \times 0.18 \times 0.16$ |
| θ range for data collection ($^\circ$) | 2.515 to 27.946 | 2.627 to 27.960 |
| Index ranges | $-11 \leq h \leq 11$ $-12 \leq k \leq 13$ $-14 \leq l \leq 16$ | $-38 \leq h \leq 36$ $-14 \leq k \leq 11$ $-21 \leq l \leq 26$ |
| Reflections collected | 11991 | 16671 |
| Independent reflections | 4912 [R(int) = 0.0465] | 5914 [R(int) = 0.0425] |
| Completeness to θ (%) | 99.4 | 99.6 |
| Refinement method | Full-matrix LS on F^2 | Full-matrix LS on F^2 |
| Data / restraints / parameters | 4912/ 0 / 246 | 5914/ 0 / 334 |
| Goodness-of-fit on F^2 | 1.040 | 1.024 |
| Final R indices [I > 2 σ (I)] | R1 = 0.0440, wR2 = 0.1087 | R1 = 0.0355, wR2 = 0.0801 |
| R indices (all data) | R1 = 0.0664, wR2 = 0.1207 | R1 = 0.0612, wR2 = 0.0886 |

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13 Table S2: selected bond lengths and angles of complexes

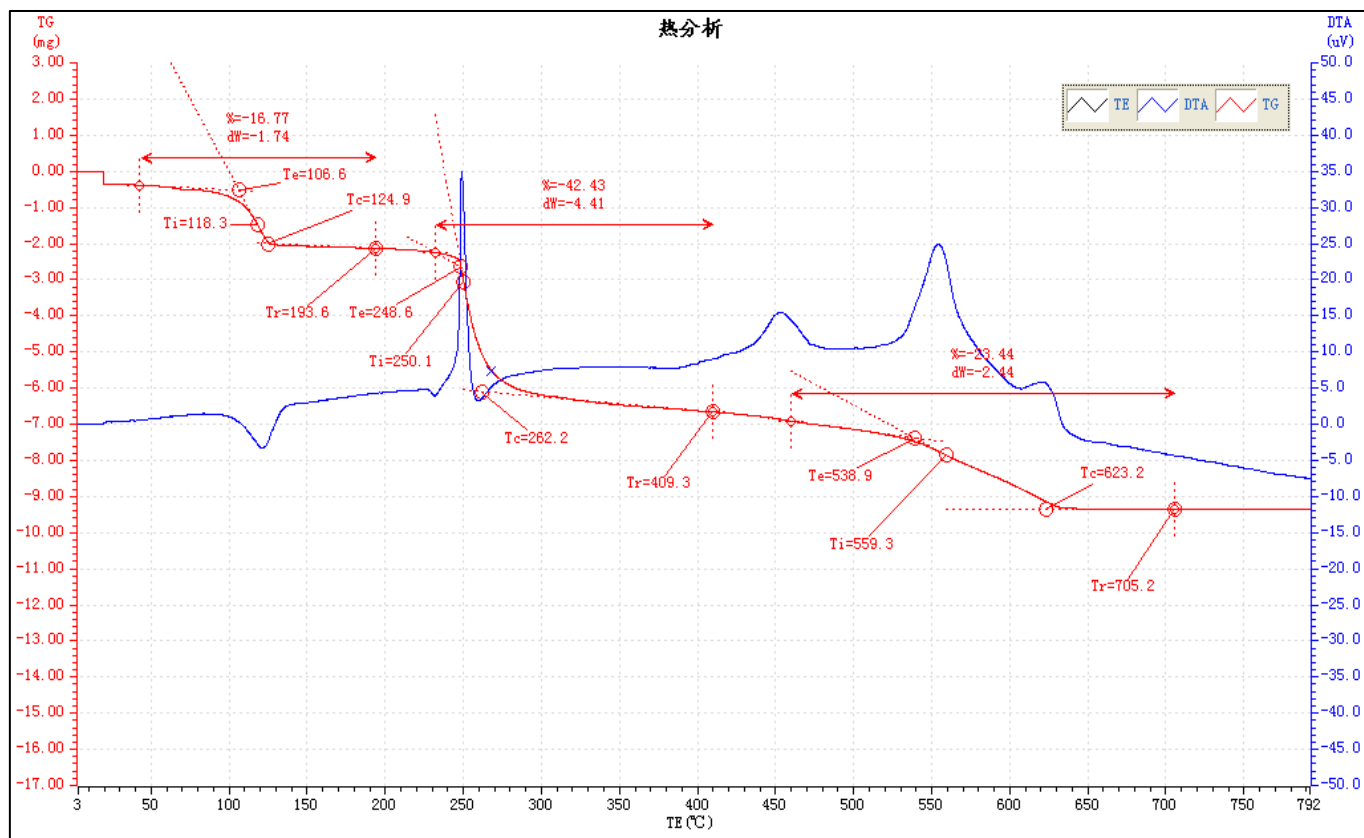
| Complex | 1 | 2 |
|------------|-----------------------|------------|
| | Distances, Å | |
| Cu(1)-O(1) | 1.976(2) | 1.9298(17) |
| Cu(1)-O(2) | 1.967(2) | --- |

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|----|------------|----------|------------|
| 14 | Cu(1)-O(3) | 1.961(2) | 1.9547(17) |
| 15 | Cu(1)-O(4) | 1.959(2) | --- |
| 16 | Cu(1)-O(5) | 2.153(2) | --- |
| 17 | Cu(1)-N(1) | --- | 2.037(2) |
| | Cu(1)-N(2) | --- | 2.037(2) |

Angles, °

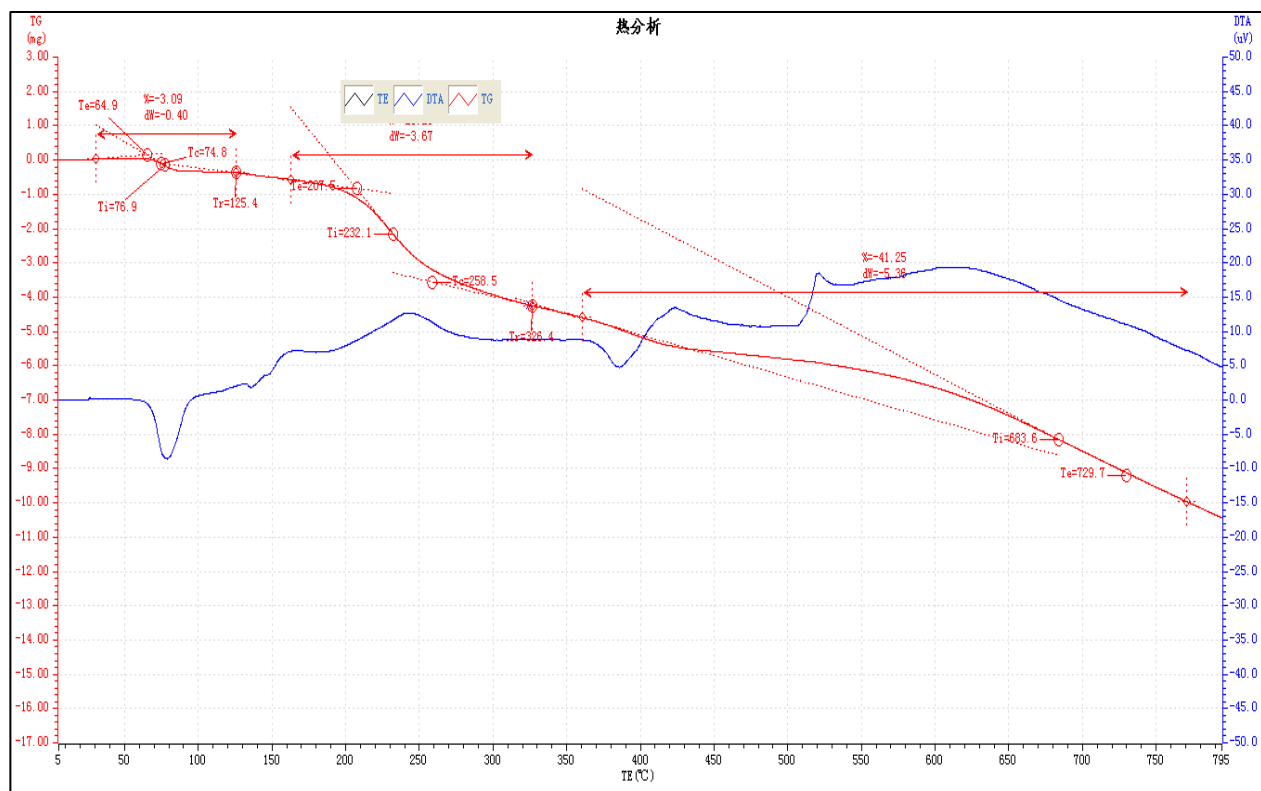
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|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| O(1)-Cu(1)-O(2) | 167.80(9) | --- |
| O(1)-Cu(1)-O(3) | 90.15(11) | 95.96(8) |
| O(1)-Cu(1)-N(2) | --- | 89.71(8) |
| O(3)-Cu(1)-N(2) | --- | 168.35(8) |
| O(1)-Cu(1)-N(1) | --- | 169.12(8) |
| O(3)-Cu(1)-N(1) | --- | 94.50(8) |
| N(2)-Cu(1)-N(1) | --- | 80.53(8) |
| O(1)-Cu(1)-O(4) | 88.69(11) | --- |
| O(3)-Cu(1)-O(4) | 167.91(9) | --- |
| O(2)-Cu(1)-O(4) | 89.50(11) | --- |
| O(2)-Cu(1)-O(3) | 89.10(11) | --- |
| O(5)-Cu(1)-O(3) | 94.04(10) | --- |
| O(5)-Cu(1)-O(4) | 98.03(10) | --- |
| O(5)-Cu(1)-O(1) | 98.93(10) | --- |
| O(5)-Cu(1)-O(2) | 93.27(10) | --- |

18 Figure S1: TG curve of complex 1



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Figure S2: TG curve of complex 2