# catena-Poly[[diaqua(1,10-phen-anthroline- $N, N^{\prime}$ )manganese(II)]-$\mu$-(thiosulfato-O:S)] and bis(2,2'-bi-pyridyl- $N, N^{\prime}$ )(tetrathionato- $O, O^{\prime}$ )manganese(II) 

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The structures of $\left[\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{S}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{12} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}\right.$ ] and [Mn$\left.\left(\mathrm{S}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)_{2}\right]$ are presented. The former consists of pairs of polymeric chains formed by manganese polyhedra bridged by bidentate thiosulfate anions, which are in turn related to each other by a pseudo-twofold screw axis. The latter has crystallographic twofold symmetry and consists of monomers in which manganese displays its typical octahedral coordination provided by the bidentate bites of two bipyridine bases and a tetrathionate anion, which is, to our knowledge, the first chelating tetrathionate to be reported in the literature.

## Comment

In the last few years, the study of complexes of transition metals with sulfur oxoanions and $N, N^{\prime}$-bidentate organic ligands has been the subject of our interest. The thiosulfate ion has been one of the ligands most frequently used and has proved to be very versatile in coordination compounds of transition metals, with a geometry quite dependent on the type of coordination present. As a rule, we have tried to centre our attention on thiosulfate complexes of cations which behave as borderline acids between the ' $a$ ' and ' $b$ ' classes in the Pearson classification scale (Pearson, 1973). In these cases, the metallic ions are expected to bind to the hard $(\mathrm{O})$ as well as to the soft (S) end of thiosulfate, resulting in a variety of coordination modes depending on other concurrent factors, such as crystalfield stabilization, shapes of accompanying ligands and intermolecular forces, such as van der Waals and hydrogen bonding, etc.

Manganese(II), although a hard acid according to the Pearson classification, is borderline to the cations that behave
as intermediate, and so is an interesting species to study in conjunction with the thiosulfate ligand. Furthermore, no structures have been reported which contain thiosulfate coordinated to manganese. With these ideas in mind, we attempted the syntheses of manganese thiosulfate complexes with phenanthroline and bipyridine. While in the first case, the expected complex was readily obtained, an oxidation of $\mathrm{S}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}{ }^{-}$ took place in the second case and the tetrathionate ion was formed 'in situ', coordinating to manganese. Thus, in this paper, we report the structures of $\left[\mathrm{Mn}(\right.$ phen $\left.)\left(\mathrm{S}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{3}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}\right]$, (I), and $\left[\mathrm{Mn}(\text { bipy })_{2}\left(\mathrm{~S}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)\right]$, (II).

(I)

(II)

The structure of (I) includes two independent $\mathrm{Mn}^{2+}$ ions (labelled $A$ and $B$ in Fig. 1), having very similar environments in which they are octahedrally surrounded by a bidentate phenanthroline [range of $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N}$ distances 2.269 (8)2.289 (6) $\AA$ ], two aqua ligands [range of $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{OW}$ distances 2.122 (6)-2.173 (6) $\AA$ ], and one oxygen [ $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O}$ distances 2.176 (8) and 2.177 (8) $\AA$ ] and one sulfur [ $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{S}$ distances 2.642 (3) and 2.656 (3) Å] from thiosulfate groups related by a whole unit-cell translation along $\mathbf{b}$. Both independent coordination polyhedra are distorted, as expected from the restraints imposed by the chelate character of the ligands, the most notable departures from ideal values being the angles $\mathrm{N} 1 A-\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{O} 1 W A 167.0$ (3), $\mathrm{N} 1 A-\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{N} 2 A$ 73.6 (3), $\mathrm{N} 2 B-\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{O} 2 W B 166.1$ (3) and $\mathrm{N} 1 B-\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-$ N2B 73.5 (2) ${ }^{\circ}$.
The thiosulfate groups in (I) act as bridging ligands between neighbouring cations through S and O atoms, in a way reported before only in bis(ethylenethiourea)zinc(II) thiosulfate (Baggio et al., 1974). The structure includes two different types of linear chains (Fig. 2) parallel to each other and to the crystallographic $b$ axis. These linear arrangements, in turn, are very nearly related to each other through a frustrated $2_{1}$ symmetry axis at roughly 0.506 (16),0,0.248 (6), with a 0.53 (2) translation along $\mathbf{b}$. The application of such a pseudo-operation to bring the two chains into coincidence results in an average deviation of $0.27 \AA$ and maximum departures of $\sim 0.56 \AA$ for C5 and C6 of the phen groups. Although the quality of the data prevented the location of the water H atoms in the final difference Fourier maps, there are a number of short $\mathrm{O}_{\text {water }} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{\text {thiosulfate }}$ contacts ( $<3.00 \AA$ ) clearly attributable to hydrogen bonding (Table 2 and Fig. 2). Some are of the intra-chain type (those involving the pairs $\mathrm{O} 3 \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 W$ and $\mathrm{O} 2 \cdots \mathrm{O} 2 W$ in each chain) which define the spatial arrangement of the thiosulfate group; the remaining ones, involving atoms from different chains, provide stabilization by joining chains together into a three-dimensional structure.


Figure 1
View of the two independent Mn coordination polyhedra in (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level.


Figure 2
Schematic packing view of (I), showing both types of chains, $A$ and $B$, and the way in which they interact via intra- as well as intermolecular hydrogen bonds. Interactions to symmetry-related chains have been omitted for clarity.

The structure of (II) consists of monomers in which the Mn atom is octahedrally coordinated by four N atoms from two bidentate bipyridines [ $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 2.249$ (2) $\AA$ A ], and two O atoms from a bidentate tetrathionate [ $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O} 2.122$ (3) $\AA$ ]. Only half of the molecule is independent, however, as a twofold axis bisects the cation and the $\mathrm{S} 2-\mathrm{S} 2\left(-x, y, \frac{1}{2}-z\right)$ bond (Fig. 3). As a result of the restrictions imposed by the chelate bites, the Mn octahedron departs somewhat from ideality, most notably in the angles $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 272.11(14)^{\circ}$ and $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 2(-x$, $\left.y, \frac{1}{2}-z\right) 160.9(2)^{\circ}$. The individual pyridinic groups are strictly planar within resolution, and are rotated around the C5-C6 bond by $1.8(1)^{\circ}$. The monomers interact with each other via a


Figure 3
Monomeric unit in (II). Note the twofold axis through the cation and the midpoint of the tetrathionate anion. The symmetry-related part of the molecule is depicted in broken lines. Displacement ellipsoids are shown at the $30 \%$ probability level.
number of $\mathrm{O} \cdots \mathrm{H}-\mathrm{C}$ contacts (Table 4) which are distributed more or less evenly in space with no obvious preferred orientation. These interactions correlate fairly well with the $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths observed in the oxoanion, in the sense that the stronger the interaction in which one oxygen takes part, the shorter the bond length to sulfur observed. To our
knowledge, this is the first structure ever reported with a chelating $\mathrm{S}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{6}{ }^{2-}$ group. A survey in the Cambridge Structural Database (Allen \& Kennard, 1993) shows only five structures containing the anion, in three of which the group is not coordinated at all to the metal centre, acting merely as a counter-ion [bis(ethylenediamine)ammoniobromocobalt tetrathionate (Bernal et al., 1993); tris(1,10-phenantholine)copper(II) tetrathionate pentahydrate (Freire et al., 1998); and tetraammine (oxalato- $O, O^{\prime}$ ) cobalt tetrathionate monohydrate (Bernal et al., 1996)]. In the remaining two structures [bis( $2,2^{\prime}-$ bipyridyl)copper(II) tetrathionate (Harrison \& Hathaway, 1978) and bis(1,10-phenantholine)copper(II) tetrathionate (Freire et al., 1998); which in fact ought to be considered just as one and the same structure, since they are very nearly isostructural], the anion binds very loosely through two opposite O atoms acting as a bridge between adjacent cations, to define infinite one-dimensional polymers. Comparison of the tetrathionate molecule herein presented with those found in the literature shows that the $\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{S}$ bond lengths lie on the short side of the ranges found for the reported structures: $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{S} 22.085$ (8) $\AA$ (range reported $2.09-2.13 \AA$ ); S2-S2 1.963 (5) $\AA$ (range reported $1.98-2.02 \AA$ ). These differences, however, might not be too meaningful due to the slightly disordered character of S2 (see Experimental).

## Experimental

Compound (I) was obtained by mixing manganese chloride, sodium thiosulfate and phenanthroline in a (1:3:1) ratio. A few hours after mixing, crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction were already present in the solution. A similar procedure using bipy did not, however, produce similar results. All trials with bipy were unsuccessful, the solutions becoming dark as a result of some (presumed) oxidation processes. As indirect evidence of this, in one of the many attempts to generate the bipy thiosulfate, crystals of the tetrathionate (II) were fortuitously obtained when a solution left unattended for months was finally checked for crystals.

Table 1
Selected bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) for (I).

| $\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{O} 2 W A$ | $2.122(6)$ | $\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{O} 2 W B$ | $2.1489(6)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{O} 1 W A$ | $2.173(6)$ | $\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{O} 1 W B$ | $2.150(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{O} 1 A^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.176(8)$ | $\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{O} 1 B^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.177(8)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{N} 1 A$ | $2.269(8)$ | $\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{N} 2 B$ | $2.270(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{N} 2 A$ | $2.270(8)$ | $\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{N} 1 B$ | $2.289(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn} 1 A-\mathrm{S} 1 A$ | $2.656(3)$ | $\mathrm{Mn} 1 B-\mathrm{S} 1 B$ | $2.642(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1 A-\mathrm{S} 2 A$ | $2.005(3)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1 B-\mathrm{S} 2 B$ | $2.007(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 2 A-\mathrm{O} 3 A$ | $1.470(7)$ | $\mathrm{S} 2 B-\mathrm{O} 3 B$ | $1.465(6)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 2 A-\mathrm{O} 2 A$ | $1.469(7)$ | $\mathrm{S} 2 B-\mathrm{O} 2 B$ | $1.466(7)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 2 A-\mathrm{O} 1 A$ | $1.475(8)$ | $\mathrm{S} 2 B-\mathrm{O} 1 B$ | $1.494(7)$ |

Symmetry code: (i) $x, y-1, z$.

Table 2
Hydrogen-bonding interactions ( $\AA$ ) in (I).

| $D \cdots A$ |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2 A$ | $2.65(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 A^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $3.05(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 2 A$ | $2.73(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 B^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $3.57(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 2 B$ | $2.69(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 2 B^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.74(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 W A$ | $3.17(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 1 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 3 A^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | $2.76(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 2 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 W B$ | $3.21(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 1 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 B^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.93(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 A^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $3.00(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 1 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 3 B^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.66(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 3 A^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.76(1)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2 W B \cdots \mathrm{O} 1 B^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $3.00(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1 W A \cdots \mathrm{O} 3 B^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | $2.79(1)$ |  |  |

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

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.062$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.193$
$S=1.188$
4255 reflections
397 parameters
H-atom parameters constrai

| $w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.067 P)^{2}\right.$ |
| :--- |
| $\quad+9.528 P]$ |
| where $P=\left(F_{o}^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3$ |

## Compound (II)

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Mn}\left(\mathrm{S}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{6}\right)\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{~N}_{2}\right)_{2}\right] \quad$ Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$M_{r}=591.55$
Orthorhombic, Pbcn
$a=15.330$ (3) $\AA$
$b=9.889$ (2) $\AA$
$c=16.061(3) \AA$
$V=2434.8(8) \mathrm{A}^{3}$
$Z=4$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.001$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.062$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=1.28 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.193$
$S=1.188$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.68$ e $\AA^{-3}$
Absolute structure: Flack (1983)
Flack parameter $=0.06(5)$

Cell parameters from 25 reflections
$\theta=7.5-15^{\circ}$
$\mu=0.930 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Irregular block, pale yellow
$0.26 \times 0.24 \times 0.24 \mathrm{~mm}$

## Data collection

| Rigaku AFC- $7 S$ diffractometer | $R_{\text {int }}=0.062$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\omega / 2 \theta$ scans | $\theta_{\max }=27.51^{\circ}$ |
| Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan | $h=0 \rightarrow 19$ |
| $\quad$ (Molecular Structure Corpora- | $k=0 \rightarrow 12$ |
| tion, 1988) | $l=0 \rightarrow 20$ |

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T_{\min }=0.75, T_{\max }=0.80
$$

3002 measured reflections
2804 independent reflections
1247 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$

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\begin{aligned}
& R_{\text {int }}=0.062 \\
& \theta_{\max }=27.51^{\circ} \\
& h=0 \rightarrow 19 \\
& k=0 \rightarrow 12 \\
& l=0 \rightarrow 20
\end{aligned}
$$

3 standard reflections every 150 reflections intensity decay: $<3 \%$

## Data collection

Rigaku AFC-7S diffractometer $\omega / 2 \theta$ scans
Absorption correction: $\psi$ scan
(Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.61, T_{\text {max }}=0.85$
4432 measured reflections
3723 independent reflections (plus
523 Friedel-related reflections)
$D_{x}=1.695 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
Cell parameters from 25
reflections
$\theta=7.5-15^{\circ}$
$\mu=1.180 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Plate, pale yellow
$0.38 \times 0.28 \times 0.14 \mathrm{~mm}$

3935 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.087$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.46^{\circ}$
$h=-13 \rightarrow 13$
$k=-1 \rightarrow 9$
$l=0 \rightarrow 26$

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Table 3
Selected bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) for (II).

| $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.122(3)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{O} 3$ | $1.382(5)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $2.122(3)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{O} 2$ | $1.429(4)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 2^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.249(4)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $1.466(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 2$ | $2.249(4)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $2.086(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 1$ | $2.249(4)$ | $\mathrm{S} 2-\mathrm{S}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $1.963(5)$ |
| $\mathrm{Mn}-\mathrm{N} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $2.249(4)$ |  |  |

Symmetry code: (i) $-x, y, \frac{1}{2}-z$.

Table 4
Hydrogen-bonding geometry ( $\mathrm{A},{ }^{\circ}$ ) for (II).

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{H} 1 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}$ | 0.93 | 2.50 | $3.24(1)$ | 136 |
| $\mathrm{C} 10-\mathrm{H} 10 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{ii}}$ | 0.93 | 2.69 | $3.57(1)$ | 157 |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{H} 4 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{iii}}$ | 0.93 | 2.43 | $3.26(1)$ | 148 |
| $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{H} 8 A \cdots \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{iv}}$ | 0.93 | 2.35 | $3.14(1)$ | 142 |
| Symmetry codes: | (i) | $\frac{1}{2}-x, \frac{1}{2}+y, z ;$ | (ii) $-x, y, \frac{1}{2}-z ;$ | (iii) $-x, 1-y, 1-z ;$ |
| $x-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}-y, 1-z$. | (iv) |  |  |  |

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$

$$
R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.052
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w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.183
$$

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S=1.014
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { H-atom parameters constrained } \\
& w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}^{2}\right)+(0.093 P)^{2}\right] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}+2 F_{c}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
& (\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }<0.01 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.59 \mathrm{e}^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.42 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
$$

2804 reflections
159 parameters

H atoms attached to carbon were added at their expected positions and not refined, but allowed to ride $(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.96 \AA)$. Those pertaining to the water molecules were not found in the difference Fourier map, and were ignored. Crystals of (I) were of poor quality, and this was reflected in the refinement results; the final agreement factor was rather high, as was the residual electron-density ripple (ca 1.3 e $\AA^{-3}$ ), uniformly distributed. The inner S 2 atom in the tetrathionate group in (II) was surrounded by a number of small residual electron-density peaks and exhibited a conspicuously large displacement ellipsoid, suggesting some kind of disorder. Although the splitting of the model into two halves tended to diminish the discrepancy index $R 1$, this was achieved at the cost of a deterioration of the overall geometry of the group, both in bond lengths and in
interatomic angles. It was then decided to keep the model unsplit, and to leave to the anisotropic displacement factor of S2 the whole representation of this anomalous situation. With this final model, the residual electron-density ripple around S 2 consisted of a large number of peaks below $0.70 \mathrm{e}^{\AA^{-3}}$, at distances of less than $1 \AA$.

For both compounds, data collection: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software (Molecular Structure Corporation, 1988); cell refinement: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software; data reduction: MSC/AFC Diffractometer Control Software; program(s) used to solve structure: $S H E L X S 97$ (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: $X P$ in $S H E L X T L / P C$ (Sheldrick, 1994); software used to prepare material for publication: PARST (Nardelli, 1983) and CSD (Allen \& Kennard, 1993).

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