

## Tetranuclear manganese complexes with $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}_4]$ and $[\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}_2\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_2]$ units: syntheses, structures, magnetic properties, and DFT study.

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Abstract

Two tetranuclear manganese compounds,  $[\text{Mn}_4(\mu_3, \eta^2\text{-L})_4\text{Br}_4(\text{LH})_4]$  (**1**) and  $[\text{Mn}_4(\mu_3, \eta^2\text{-L})_2(\mu, \eta^2\text{-L})_4\text{L}_2\text{Br}_2]$  (**2**), with cubane and defect dicubane-like cores were synthesized and characterized by single-crystal X-ray diffraction, magnetic measurements, and DFT calculations (LH = 2-methoxyethanol). The magnetic properties of the resulting  $[\text{Mn}_4]$  building blocks are presented and discussed in detail. In particular, in **2** the  $\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}\text{-O-Mn}^{\text{III}}$  angle  $103.12(8)^\circ$  is the largest observed to date for such a system. The conjunction of antiferromagnetic and ferromagnetic interactions within the tetranuclear mixed-valent  $\text{Mn}^{\text{II}}_2\text{Mn}^{\text{III}}_2$  complexes results in an unusual  $S_T = 1$  ground state.

### Słowa kluczowe

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