## Structure, Characterization and *ab Initio* Calculations of [Mn(4,4'-bipy)<sub>2</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>4</sub>][HOOCC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>SSC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>COO]<sub>2</sub>

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The title compound was obtained by reaction of  $MnCl_2 \cdot 4H_2O$ ,  $NH_3 \cdot H_2O$ , 4,4'-bipyridine, and 2,2'-dithio-bis(benzoic acid) ( $H_2$ -DTBB) in aqueous solution. It was characterized by single crystal X-ray crystallography, elemental analysis and IR spectroscopy. The compound is composed of one  $[Mn(bipy)_2(H_2O)_4]^{2+}$  cation and two H-TDBB $^{1-}$  anions, where  $Mn^{2+}$  adopts an octahedral geometry and is coordinated by four water oxygen atoms and two N atoms of 4,4'-bipyridine ligands. The  $[Mn(bipy)_2(H_2O)_4]^{2+}$  cations are linked into one-dimensional chains by  $O-H\cdots N$  hydrogen bonds. These cationic chains are further organized into a two-dimensional network with the H-TDBB $^{1-}$  anions through hydrogen bonds.

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