π-donor BETS based bifunctional superconductor with polymeric dicyanamidomanganate (II) anion layer: κ-(BETS)₂Mn[N(CN)₂]₃

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 $Mn(dca)_2$ was synthesized by the metathesis reaction of $MnClO_4 \cdot 6H_2O$ with Na[N(CN)] as described in [1]. (Found: C = 26.0, N = 44.5, Mn = 29.9, Cl – absent. $Mn[N(CN)_2]_2$ requires: C = 25.7, N = 44.9, Mn = 29.4%).

Intensities of 5764 independent reflections with $I \ge 2\sigma(I)$ were obtained on an Enraf-Nonius CAD 4 diffractometer (λ (Mo-K_{α}) = 0.71070 A, ω -scanning, $2\theta_{max} = 59.92^{\circ}$, 1.0 x 0.48 x 0.07 mm³ crystal size, correction for absorption included). The structure was determined by the direct method and refined by the full-matrix least-squares method in anisotropic approximation to $R_I = 0.0392$.

Four-probe d.c. and a.c. (10-300 Hz frequency) resistance measurements were performed on single crystals with a typical size of 1 x $0.4 \times 0.04 \text{ mm}^3$, with the current directed along the plane of conducting layers and perpendicular to them. The samples were irregular hexagons elongated in the direction of the shorter crystallographic *b* axis. Several samples from the same batch were tested. The results obtained were similar for different samples.

Magnetic measurements were done on a single crystal with a mass of $\approx 95 \ \mu g$ in magnetic fields up to 7 T applied parallel to the *b*-axis using a SQUID magnetometer MPMS XL7 Quantum Design, and in fields up to 15 T using a home made cantilever beam torquemeter.

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