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# Ferrocenium $\mu$-Bromo-bis[dibromodimethylstannate(IV)] 

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## Abstract

The ferrocenium cation of the title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Fe}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{2}\right]\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{2} \mathrm{Br}_{5}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{4}\right]$, has parallel cyclopentadienyl rings with an eclipsed conformation. The Sn atom of the anion is in a distorted square-pyramidal coordination. Alternatively, it can be described as having a distorted octahedral coordination, forming infinite chains of two edge-shared octahedra parallel to the $b$ axis.

## Comment

Although the structures of several ferrocenium salts with halogeno-metal anions such as tetrachloroferrate (Paulus \& Schafer, 1978) and tetrachloroantimonate (Yamin et al., 1996) have been reported, no structural information for ferrocenium with tin counteranions was found in the literature, except for the suggested molecular formula of $\left[\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{2} \mathrm{Fe}_{2}\left(\mathrm{SnCl}_{3}\right)\left(\mathrm{SnCl}_{5}\right)\left(\mathrm{SnCl}_{4}\right) \cdot \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right.$ (Watanabe et al., 1986) for the oxidized product of ferrocene with $\mathrm{SnCl}_{4}$ in hexane. Furthermore, the ferrocenium-tin tetrahalide salts were said to be highly hygroscopic. In contrast, we were able to obtain good quality crystals of the title compound, (I), from the reaction of ferrocene with dimethyltin dibromide.

(I)

The asymmetric unit contains half a ferrocenium cation and half a $\mu$-bromo-bis[dibromodimethylstannate(IV)] anion. The other halves are generated by mirror symmetry, with C3, C6 and Br3 lying on the mirror plane (Fig. 1). The cyclopentadiene rings in the

[^0]ferrocenium cation are nearly parallel, having a dihedral angle of only $2.0(8)^{\circ}$ between them, and they are completely eclipsed. The $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ and $\mathrm{Fe}-\mathrm{C}$ bond distances, and the Fe-ring centroid distances [1.709 (6) and $1.693(6) \AA$ ] in the ferrocenium moiety agree with reported mean values (Orpen et al., 1989). The Sn atom may be described as possessing a distorted trigonal-



Fig. 1. The structure of title compound showing $30 \%$ probability displacement ellipsoids and the atom-numbering scheme. H atoms have small arbitrary radii for clarity. [Symmetry codes: (ii) $x$. $\frac{1}{2}-1$. $z$ (iii) $x \cdot \frac{3}{2}-x .$. .


Fig. 2. Part of the infinite chain of octahedra running parallel to the $b$ axis. The octahedra share both vertices (at Br 3 ) and edges ( $\mathrm{Br} 2-$ $\mathrm{Br} 2^{2}$ ) [symmetry codes: (i) $1-x .1-x,-z$ (ii) $\left.x . \frac{1}{2}-1 . z\right]$.
bipyramidal coordination, the distortions from ideal angles being confined to the equatorial plane. The calculated $\tau$ value (Addison et al., 1994) is 0.44 . The Br3 atom on the mirror plane acts as a bridge to the other half of the anion. However, the $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Br} 2^{i}$ distance of 3.573 (2) $\AA$ is appreciably less than the sum of the corresponding van der Waals radii of $4.05 \AA$ [symmetry code: (i) $1-x, 1-y,-z]$. If this bonding is considered to be significant, then the coordination around the Sn atom may be alternatively explained as distorted octahedral with the $\mathrm{C} 7, \mathrm{C} 8, \mathrm{Brl}$ and $\mathrm{Br} 2^{i}$ atoms occupying the equatorial positions, and the Br 2 and Br 3 atoms in axial positions. Here, the Br 3 atom links two $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{Br} 2^{i}$ edge-shared octahedra to form infinite chains parallel to the $b$ axis. The $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Br}$ and $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{C}$ distances agree with reported values (Shcherbakov et al., 1987).

## Experimental

Equimolar concentrations of ferrocene and dimethyltin dibromide in benzene were mixed in a flask. The solution was left to evaporate. After about two weeks, blue-black crystals were obtained. These crystals were washed with hexane and dried.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Fe}\left(\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{2}\right]\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{2} \mathrm{Br}_{5}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{4}\right]$
$M_{r}=883.10$
Orthorhombic
Pnma
$a=11.999$ (2) $\AA$
$b=15.450$ (2) $\AA$
$c=13.197(2) \AA$
$V=2446.5(6) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$
$D_{x}=2.398 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
$D_{m}$ not measured

## Data collection

| Siemens $P 4$ diffractometer | $R_{\text {int }}=0.068$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $\theta / 2 \theta$ scans | $\theta_{\max }=27.50^{\circ}$ |
| Absorption correction: | $h=-1 \rightarrow 15$ |
| empirical via $\psi$ scans | $k=-20 \rightarrow 1$ |
| (Siemens, 1994) | $l=-1 \rightarrow 17$ |
| $T_{\text {min }}=0.161, T_{\max }=0.341$ | 3 standard reflections |
| 3637 measured reflections | every 97 reflections |
| 2881 independent reflections | intensity decay: $<3 \%$ |

816 reflections with

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I>2 \sigma(I)
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## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.043$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.107$
$S=0.704$
2880 reflections
106 parameters
H atoms: see below
$u^{\prime}=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{i \prime}^{2}\right)+(0.0274 P)^{2}\right]$
where $P=\left(F_{i}^{2}+2 F_{1}^{2}\right) / 3$

Mo $K \alpha$ radiation
$\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 42 reflections
$\theta=5.48-12.49^{\circ}$
$\mu=10.772 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=293$ (2) K
Rectangular plate
$0.26 \times 0.18 \times 0.10 \mathrm{~mm}$
Blue-black
$R_{\text {int }}=0.068$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=27.50^{\circ}$
$h=-1 \rightarrow 15$
$k=-20 \rightarrow 1$
$l=-1 \rightarrow 17$
3 standard reflections every 97 reflections intensity decay: $<3 \%$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}<0.001$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.77 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.85 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
Extinction correction: none
Scattering factors from International Tables for Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 1. Fractional atomic coordinates and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters $\left(\AA^{2}\right)$

| $U_{\text {eq }}=(1 / 3) \sum_{i} \sum_{j} U^{\prime j} d^{i} \alpha^{\prime} \mathbf{a}_{1} \cdot \mathbf{a}_{j}$. |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $x$ | $\because$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {ec }}$ |
| Snl | 0.52149 (7) | 0.43449 (5) | 0.16115 (6) | 0.0646 (3) |
| BrI | 0.50985 (11) | 0.46309 (7) | 0.35033 (10) | 0.0802 (4) |
| Br 2 | 0.45824 (13) | 0.59323 (7) | 0.10697 (10) | 0.0886 (5) |
| Br 3 | (0.6029 (2) | 1/4 | 0.2028 (2) | 0.0991 (8) |
| Fel | 0.4978 (2) | 3/4 | 0.4119 (2) | 0.0526 (6) |
| Cl | 0.6 .342 (9) | 0.7972 (9) | 0.3336 (10) | 0.099 (6) |
| C2 | 0.6431 (11) | 0.8223 (9) | (0.4349 (12) | 0.1 (1) (6) |
| C3 | 0.6462 (15) | 3/4 | 0.4948 (18) | 0.099 (8) |
| C4 | 0.3545 (8) | 0.7047 (9) | 0.3464 (9) | 0.094 (6) |
| C5 | 0.3569 (1) 1 | 0.6807 (9) | 0.4447 (12) | 0.091 (5) |
| C6 | 0.3616 (17) | 3/4 | 0.5051 (15) | $0.108(8)$ |
| C7 | 0.3686 (8) | 0.3739 (6) | (0.1234 (8) | 0.08 .3 (4) |
| C8 | 0.6901 (8) | 0.4531 (7) | 0.1286 (9) | 0.087 (4) |

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters ( $\left({ }^{\circ},^{\circ}\right)$

| $\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Brl}$ | 2.539 (2) | $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Br} 3$ | 3.063 (1) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Br} 2$ | 2.6651 (14) | $\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{C8}$ | 2.089 (10) |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Br} 2^{\prime}$ | 3.573 (2) | $\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{C} 7$ | 2.119 (9) |
| $\mathrm{Br} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Br} 2$ | 95.05 (5) | C7-Snl-Br2 | 95.6 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Br} 1-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 2^{1}$ | 176.78 (4) | $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br}^{2}$ | 76.9 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{SnI}-\mathrm{Br} 2^{1}$ | 82.18 (4) | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Br} 2$ | 95.4 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Br} 3-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 2^{1}$ | 92.55 (6) | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{SnI}-\mathrm{Br} 2{ }^{1}$ | 75.3 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Br} 1-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 3$ | 90.17 (6) | $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 3$ | 84.7 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Br} 2-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 3$ | 174.51 (7) | $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 3$ | 81.7 (3) |
| $\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 1$ | 105.1 (3) | C7-Snl-C8 | 148.3 (4) |
| $\mathrm{C} 8-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Brl}$ | 103.4 (3) | $\mathrm{Snl}-\mathrm{Br} 3-\mathrm{Sn} 1^{\prime \prime}$ | 137.07 (7) |

Symmetry codes: (i) $1-x, 1-y,-z$; (ii) $x, \frac{1}{2}-y, z$.
The title structure was solved by direct methods and refined by full-matrix least-squares techniques. All H atoms were geometrically fixed and allowed to ride on their parent atom. Although the displacement parameters of some atoms in the cyclopentadienyl rings show possible signs of incipient disorder, no viable disorder model could be developed.

Data collection: XSCANS (Siemens, 1994). Cell refinement: XSCANS. Data reduction: XSCANS. Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXTL/PC (Sheldrick, 1990). Program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993). Molecular graphics: SHELXTLIPC. Software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93, PLATON (Spek, 1990) and PARST (Nardelli, 1995).

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# Bis[ $2,2^{\prime}$-iminodipyridinium(1+)] Bis[ $\mu$-4-hydroxy-2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato(3-)]bis[aquadibutyltin(IV)] Dihydrate $\dagger$ 

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#### Abstract

The water-coordinated Sn atom in the centrosymmetric title compound, $\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{10} \mathrm{~N}_{3}\right)_{2}\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{NO}_{5}\right)_{2}-\right.$ $\left.\left(\mathrm{C}_{4} \mathrm{H}_{9}\right)_{4}\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}\right] \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$, is seven-coordinate in a trans$\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{SnNO}_{4}$ pentagonal-bipyramidal geometry [ $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Sn}$ C $\left.156.6(1)^{\circ}\right]$. The dianion is linked to two planar $2,2^{\prime}$-iminodipyridinium ( $1+$ ) cations through the lattice water molecules via the amino bridges [ $\mathrm{O}_{\text {water }} \cdots \mathrm{N}_{\text {amino }}$ $2.810(5), \mathrm{O}_{\text {water }} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{\text {hydroxy }} 2.633$ (4) and $\mathrm{O}_{\text {water }} \cdots \mathrm{O}_{\text {carbon, }}$ 2.927 (5) A A . A weaker water-water interaction connects the ion pair into a linear helical chain.


## Comment

Dibutyltin oxide condenses with dicyclohexylammonium 2,6-pyridinedicarboxylate to yield bis(dicyclohexylammonium) bis[dibutyl(2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato)stannate] ( Ng et al., 1997), but with methylphenylammonium 2,6-pyridinedicarboxylate to give bis[aqua-dibutyl(2,6-pyridincdicarboxylato)tin] $N$-methylaniline solvate ( $\mathrm{Ng}, 1998 b$ ). In the $N$-methylaniline solvate,

[^1]the dinuclear organotin moiety is linked by hydrogen bonds into layers, and disordered $N$-methylaniline molecules occupy the space between the wavy sheets. There are no hydrogen bonds connecting the sheets and the solvent molecules. This architecture is also found in bis[aquadibutyl(2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] di-2-pyridylamine (1:1) (Ng, 1996). The sheets and the di-2-pyridylamine molecules are expected to be linked by hydrogen bonds in the hydroxy-substituted analog, bis[aquadibutyl(4-hydroxy-2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] di-2-pyridylamine, but its attempted synthesis gave instead isomeric bis $\left[2,2^{\prime}\right.$ iminodipyridinium ( $1+$ )] bis[aquadibutyl(4-hydroxy-2,6pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] as a dihydrate. In this compound, the negative charges of the dianion reside formally on the 4 -hydroxy O atoms. The negative charges also reside on the 4 -hydroxy O atoms in bis(diisopropylammonium) bis[aquadibutyl(4-hydroxy-2,6pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] ( $\mathrm{Ng}, 1998$ a), and the two compounds exemplify two ionic organotin compounds whose negative charges do not reside on the Lewisacidic Sn atom.

The water-coordinated Sn atom in the title centrosymmetric dihydrate, (I), is seven-coordinate in a trans$\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{SnNO}_{4}$ pentagonal-bipyramidal geometry $[\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{C}$ $\left.156.6(1)^{\circ}\right]$, and the 4 -hydroxy-2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato group bonds to the Sn atom through its $\mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}$ and O atoms. Both carboxyl groups are monodentate; however, one is bonded to just one Sn atom $[\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O} \quad 2.125(2) \mathrm{A}]$, whereas the other is bonded to two Sn atoms [ $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O} 2.299$ (2) and 2.939 (2) $\AA$ ]. Bond dimensions involving the Sn atom are similar to those found in bis[aquadibutyl(2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] (Huber et al., 1989) and bis(diisopropylammonium) bis[aquadibutyl(4-hydroxy-2,6-pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] ( $\mathrm{Ng}, 1998 a$ ). Of the two $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bonds, the longer distance $[2.939$ (2) $\AA$ ] is not representative of covalent Sn -O bonds. Such long bonds appear to be characteristic of bis[aquadiorgano( 2,6 -pyridinedicarboxylato)tin] complexes, and contrast with an average value of 2.0 A found in dimeric tetrabutyldistannoxanes ( Ng et al., 1991).

(1)

Di-2-pyridylamine exists as a hydrogen-bonded dimer in two modifications: a low-melting polymorph and a high-melting polymorph. The pyridyl N atom is protonated in preference to the amino N atom, since


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[^1]:    $\dagger$ Alternative name: bis $\left[2,2^{\prime}\right.$-iminodipyridinium ( $1+$ )] diaqua$1 \kappa O, 2 \kappa O$-tetrabutyl- $1 \kappa^{2} C^{1}, 2 \kappa^{2} C^{1}$-bis $[\mu-4$-hydroxy-2.6-pyridinedicar-boxylato(3-)]-1 $\kappa^{3} O^{2}, N, O^{6}: 2 \kappa O^{6}: 2 \kappa^{3} O^{2}, N, O^{6}: 1 \kappa O^{6}$-ditin(IV) dihydrate.

