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(Z)- and (E)-1-methylthio-1-triphenylstannyl-2-phenylethene

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Abstract

The structures of the title compounds, (Z)-Ph₃Sn— C(SMe)—CHPh, (I), and (E)-Ph₃Sn—C(SMe)—CHPh, (II) {both [Sn(C₆H₅)₃(C₉H₉S)], (1-methylthio-2-phenylethenyl)triphenyltin}, were determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction at room temperature. Both structures consist of discrete molecules in which the Sn atom is tetrahedrally coordinated by three phenyl groups and one 1-methylthio-2-phenylethenyl group. The planar ethenyl skeleton forms angles of 58.9 (2) and 34.0 (3)° with the 2-phenyl substituent in (I) and (II), respectively, excluding π interactions between them. In Z-isomer (I), the methyl substituent on sulfur lies in the plane of the ethenyl group [torsion angle C—S—C==C 3.0 (5)°], but this is not the case in *E*-isomer (II), which reveals a torsion angle C—S—C==C of $156.1 (8)^\circ$.

Comment

The hydrometallation of non-symmetrically substituted alkynes can afford four possible isomeric ethenyl metal complexes. Especially in the case of alkynes $R'C \equiv CYR_n$ with Lewis basic heteroatom groups ($YR_n =$ NR_2 , PR_2 , OR, SR; R/R' = alkyl, aryl, H), it might be difficult to predict the regio- and/or stereoselectivity. In the case of the hydrostannylation of PhC=CSPh by Ph₃SnH, both the non-catalysed and the Pd-catalysed reactions are quite selective and yield one major isomer at about 90-95% in each case. Because the assignment of the isomers by means of NMR spectroscopy (¹H, ¹³C and ¹¹⁹Sn) is not straightforward, the structures of both isomers were determined by single-crystal X-ray diffraction. The non-catalysed reaction gave (Z)- $Ph_3Sn - C(SMe) = CHPh$, (I), and the Pd-catalysed reaction (*E*)-Ph₃Sn-C(SMe)=CHPh, (II).



The molecular structures and numbering schemes are shown in Fig. 1. Both complexes consist of discrete molecules in which the Sn atoms are tetrahedrally coordinated by three phenyl ligands and one 1-methylthio-2-phenylethenyl ligand [C-Sn-C: $106.3(1)-112.7(1)^{\circ}$ in (I) and $105.6(3)-110.0(3)^{\circ}$ in (II)]. The three Sn— C_{Ph} bond lengths are similar [(I): 2.131 (4)-2.143 (4), mean value 2.135 Å; (II): 2.135 (8)-2.162 (8), mean value 2.146 Å]. In the case of isomer (I), the Sn-Cethenyl bond seems to be slightly longer [(I): 2.173 (4); (II): 2.148 (7) Å]. There are no significant differences in the Sn-C bond lengths in Ph₃Sn-CH==CH₂ [Sn- C_{Ph} 2.11 (3)-2.17 (4) and Sn- $C_{ethenyl}$ 2.07 (3)-2.15 (3) Å; Theobald & Trimaille, 1984] and $(Z)-Ph_3Sn-C(CMe_2OH)=CHMe [Sn-C_{Ph} 2.118(3)-$ 2.129 (3) and Sn— $C_{ethenyl}$ 2.125 (3) Å; Willem *et al.*, 1994].

The ethenyl skeleton (C1–C3, Sn, S) is nearly planar [maximum deviation: 0.064 (3) Å for C2 in (I), and 0.027 (6) Å for C1 in (II)]. As in *trans*-[Pt{(*E*)-C-(SMe)=CHPh}Cl(PPh₃)₂] (Steinborn *et al.*, 1998), in *Z*-isomer (I), the methyl substituent on sulfur (C9) also lies in this plane [deviation 0.011 (8) Å; torsion angle C9–S–C1=C2 3.0(5)°]; this is not the case in *E*-isomer (II) [deviation 0.73 (2) Å; torsion angle C9–S–C1=C2 156.1 (8)°]. Without obvious reason, the angles at the ethenyl C1 and C2 atoms exhibit



Fig. 1. The molecular structures of (a) Z-isomer (I) and (b) E-isomer (II) showing 30% probability displacement ellipsoids. H atoms are shown as circles of an arbitrary radius.

distinct deviations from the ideal angle of 120° expected for sp^2 -hybridized C atoms [111.6 (2)–126.6 (4)° for (I) and 117.6 (5)–130.0 (7)° for (II)]. The interplanar angles of 58.9 (2) and 34.0 (3)° between the 2-phenyl substituent (C3–C8) and the ethenyl group in (I) and (II), respectively, exclude π interactions.

The closest C_{Ph} —H···S distance is intermolecular in (I) [C26···Sⁱ 3.594 (7) and H26···Sⁱ 2.79 Å; symmetry code: (i) 1 + x, y, z] and intramolecular in (II) [C4···S 3.125 (10) and H4···S 2.63 Å].

Experimental

(Z)-Ph₃Sn—C(SMe)=CHPh, (I), was synthesized by the reaction of stoichiometric amounts of Ph₃SnH and PhC=CSMe in *n*-hexane at 328 K under anaerobic conditions. After 5 h, the precipitate was filtered, washed with hexane and dried *in vacuo* (yield: 69%; m.p. 379 K). Crystals suitable for X-ray diffraction studies were obtained from chloroform/*n*-pentane solution. (*E*)-Ph₃Sn—C(SMe)=CHPh, (II), was obtained using an analogous reaction in THF at 243 K in the presence of 1 mol% [Pd(PPh₃)₄]. After 15 min, the solvent was removed *in vacuo* affording an oily residue (purity: 95%). Crystals (m.p. 341–343 K) suitable for X-ray diffraction studies separated after standing for several weeks at 288 K.

Compound (I) – Z isomer

Crystal data

 $[Sn(C_{6}H_{5})_{3}(C_{9}H_{9}S)]$ $M_{r} = 499.21$ Monoclinic $P2_{1}/c$ a = 10.190 (9) Å b = 19.104 (9) Å c = 12.808 (9) Å $\beta = 110.67 (6)^{\circ}$ $V = 2333 (3) Å^{3}$ Z = 4 $D_{x} = 1.421 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ D_{m} not measured

Mo K α radiation $\lambda = 0.71073$ Å Cell parameters from 32 reflections $\theta = 5.23-16.73^{\circ}$ $\mu = 1.195$ mm⁻¹ T = 298 (2) K Block $0.8 \times 0.6 \times 0.4$ mm Colourless

Data collection Stoe Stadi-4 four-circle 3750 reflections with diffractometer $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $\omega/2\theta$ scans $R_{int} = 0.109$ Absorption correction: $\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$ semi-empirical via ψ scan $h = -12 \rightarrow 12$ (North et al., 1968) $k = 0 \rightarrow 23$ $T_{\rm min} = 0.45, T_{\rm max} = 0.62$ $l = -15 \rightarrow 15$ 6742 measured reflections 1 standard reflection 4101 independent reflections frequency: 60 min intensity decay: none

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 (2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.044$ Δ $wR(F^2) = 0.098$ Δ S = 1.160 E: 4100 reflections So 289 parameters Only H-atom U's refined $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0414P)^2 + 0.9634P]$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$

 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{max} < 0.001$ $\Delta\rho_{max} = 1.144 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ $\Delta\rho_{min} = -1.402 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ Extinction correction: none Scattering factors from International Tables for Crystallography (Vol. C)

Table 1. Selected geometric parameters (\mathring{A} , \degree) for (I)

C1—C2	1.331 (5)	C10—Sn	2.143 (4)
C1—S	1.740 (4)	C16—Sn	2.131 (4)
C1—Sn C9—S	2.173 (4) 1.789 (5)	C22—Sn	2.133 (4)
C2—C1—S	123.7 (3)	C16—Sn—C10	106.28 (13)
C2—C1—Sn	124.6 (3)	C22—Sn—C10	106.7 (2)
S—C1—Sn	111.6 (2)	C16—Sn—C1	111.34 (13)

C1C2C3	126.6 (4)	C22—Sn—C1	112.74 (14)
C1SC9	105.1 (2)	C10—Sn—C1	107.9(2)
C16—Sn—C22	111.57 (14)		

Compound (II) - E isomer

Crystal data $[Sn(C_6H_5)_3(C_9H_9S)]$ $M_r = 499.21$ Triclinic ΡĪ a = 9.5512 (8) Å b = 11.0433 (8) Å c = 12.3793 (10) Å $\alpha = 83.380 \ (8)^{\circ}$ $\beta = 81.737 \ (8)^{\circ}$ $\gamma = 67.018 (7)^{\circ}$ V = 1187.1 (2) Å³ Z = 2 $D_x = 1.397 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$ D_m not measured

Data collection

Stoe Stadi-4 four-circle diffractometer $I > 2\sigma(I)$ $\theta_{\rm max} = 25^{\circ}$ $\omega/2\theta$ scans $h = -11 \rightarrow 8$ Absorption correction: $k = -12 \rightarrow 13$ semi-empirical via ψ scan (North et al., 1968) $l = 0 \rightarrow 14$ $T_{\rm min} = 0.62, \ T_{\rm max} = 0.79$ 3732 measured reflections 3732 independent reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.766 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.841 \ {\rm e} \ {\rm \AA}^{-3}$ $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.051$ $wR(F^2) = 0.189$ Extinction correction: S = 1.239SHELXL93 Extinction coefficient: 3721 reflections 287 parameters 0.030(4)Only H-atom U's refined Scattering factors from $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.1046P)^2]$ International Tables for Crystallography (Vol. C) where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} < 0.001$

Table 2. Selected geometric parameters (Å, °) for (II)

C1C2	1.345 (11)	C10—Sn	2.162 (8)
C1—S	1.761 (7)	C16—Sn	2.135 (8)
C1—Sn	2.148 (7)	C22—Sn	2.141 (7)
C9—S	1.769 (10)		
C2-C1-S	120.7 (6)	C16—Sn—C1	108.1 (3)
C2-C1-Sn	117.6 (5)	C22-Sn-C1	110.6(3)
S-C1-Sn	121.6 (4)	C16—Sn—C10	105.6(3)
C1C2C3	130.0 (7)	C22-Sn-C10	110.9 (3)
C1—S—C9	105.1 (5)	C1-Sn-C10	111.6(3)
C16—Sn—C22	110.0 (3)		

For both compounds, data collection: STADI4 (Stoe & Cie, 1996a); cell refinement: STADI4; data reduction: X-RED (Stoe & Cie, 1996b); program(s) used to solve structures: SHELXS86 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structures: SHELXL93 (Sheldrick, 1993); molecular graphics: OR-TEPIII (Burnett & Johnson, 1996); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL93.

$\lambda = 0.71073$ A
Cell parameters from 3
reflections
$\theta = 10.0 - 13.5^{\circ}$
$\mu = 1.174 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
T = 293 (2) K
Prism
$0.4 \times 0.3 \times 0.2$ mm
Colourless

3070 reflections with 1 standard reflection frequency: 60 min intensity decay: none

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A dimeric form of the nickel(II) thiocyanate complex of bis(3-aminopropyl)methylamine

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Abstract

The structure of bis[N,N-bis(3-aminopropyl)methylamine]- $1\kappa^3 N, 2\kappa^3 N$ -di- μ -thiocyanato- $1:2\kappa^2 N:S; 1:2\kappa^2 S:N$ dithiocyanato-1 KN,2 KN-dinickel(II), [Ni₂(NCS)₄(C₇H₁₉- N_{3}_{2} or $[Ni_{2}(\mu$ -SCN)₂(medpt)₂(NCS)₂], where medpt is bis(3-aminopropyl)methylamine, consists of two crystallographically independent dimer types differing in their orientations. In each dimer, the two Ni^{ll} ions are bridged by two SCN⁻ ligands in an end-to-end fashion. The coordination polyhedra about the Ni^{II} atoms are distorted octahedra consisting of three N atoms of the medpt lig-