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Dichlorobis(4-methylpentan-2-onato- C^4 , O)tin(IV) and bis(4-methylpentan-2-onato-C⁴ ,O)(2-thioxo-1,3-dithiole-4,5-dithiolato-S,S')tin(IV) at 150 K

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The structures of the ketotins determined here, $[\text{SnCl}_2(C_6H_{11}O)_2]$ and $[\text{Sn}(C_3S_5)(C_6H_{11}O)_2]$, respectively, along with that previously reported for $[MeC(O)CH₂C Me₂$]₂SnI₂, are compared with the structures of the analogous estertins $[MeOC(O)CH₂CH₂]$ ₂SnX₂. Pairwise comparison of the mean ketotin [estertin] $Sn - X$ and $Sn - O$ distances as $Sn-X 2.4422 (4)$ [2.4054 (7) \AA], 2.4970 (4) [2.471 (2) \AA] and 2.8463 (4) [2.7788 (8) \AA] and Sn – O 2.4926 (12) [2.528 (1) \AA], 2.6110 (11) [2.629 (7) Å] and 2.435 (3) [2.525 (4) Å] (for $X =$ Cl, S and I, respectively) clearly demonstrates the superior donor ability of the ketotin O atom in chelate formation.

Comment

 γ -Oxoalkyltin compounds, such as $[RC(O)CH_2CR'_2]_2SnX_2$ [(I), $X = \text{Cl}$] and $[ROC(O)CH_2CR'_2]_2SnX_2$ [(II), $X = \text{Cl}$], are readily available from the reactions of Sn, HCl and $RC(O)CH=CR'_2$ or $ROC(O)CH=CR'_2$ (Hutton & Oakes, 1976). Of the two groups of compounds, it is the so-called estertins, (II), which have attracted the greater interest. Considerable attention has been paid to the coordination chemistry of estertin compounds, especially the ability of the organic ligand to act as a C,O-chelating group (Wang & Liu, 2000; Zhang et al., 2000; Balasubramanian et al., 1997, and references therein). While fewer studies have been reported on the ketotin compounds, (I), their coordination chemistry should be equally as diverse and worthy of investigation. Recently, the crystal structure of diiodobis(4-methylpentan-2 onato- C^4 , O)tin(IV), [MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂]₂SnI₂, (III), was reported and compared with that of $[MeOC(O)CH₂CH₂]$ ₂SnI₂ (Howie & Wardell, 2000).

As shown by the crystal structures of two further ketotin compounds, namely dichlorobis(4-methylpentan-2-onato- C^4 ,O)-tin(IV), [MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂]₂SnCl₂, (IV), and [bis(4methylpentan-2-onato- C^4 , O)(2-thioxo-1,3-dithiole-4,5-dithiolato-S,S')tin(IV), [MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂]₂Sn(dmit) (dmit is

2-thioxo-1,3-dithiole-4,5-dithiolate, (V), subtle changes in the geometries about the six-coordinate tin centres in [MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂]₂Sn X_2 result from changing the X_2 functional groups. Selected geometric parameters for (IV) and (V) are listed in Table 1.

As in the structure of (III), both $MeC(O)CH₂Che₂$ ligands act as C^4 , *O*-chelating groups in both (IV) and (V). However, there are differing degrees of asymmetry in the $Sn-O$ bond lengths of the chelating ligands within each of the three compounds: $\Delta d(Sn-O)$ is 0.165 (2) Å in (V), 0.098 (2) Å in (IV) , and 0.010 (6) and 0.004 (6) \AA in the two independent molecules of (III). The geometry at tin in (III) is best described as being distorted octahedral. This distortion is due, in the main, to the chelate bite angles being ca 75°, which have a consequential effect on the *trans* angles, between 160.4 (2) and $163.68 \,(11)^\circ$, in (III). There is even greater octahedral distortion in (IV); despite similar chelate bite angles [72.80 (8)] and 75.17 $(8)^\circ$], the *trans* angles in (IV) are quite different [172.28 (4), 165.21 (5) and 152.23 (10)^o]. As in (III), the C atoms in (IV) are trans to each other, with each of the O atoms *trans* to a halide. The longer $Sn-O$ bond is *trans* to the shorter $Sn-X$ bond. The structure of (V), with three chelating ligands, is still further displaced from octahedral, with the three largest angles subtended at the Sn atom being 161.13 (4) $(O1-Sn-S1)$, 155.25 (4) $(O2-Sn-S2)$ and only 131.15 (9)^o $(C1-Sn-C7)$. The bite angle of the dmit ligand is 87.95 (2)°, near ideal for a cis-relationship in an octahedral array, and so on geometric grounds this cannot be the cause of the further displacement from octahedral geometry. A description of the geometry as a distorted trigonal prism also appears rather farfetched, since for this structure, all trans angles would be

Figure 1

The molecular structure of (IV) showing the atom-labelling scheme. Non-H are shown as 50% ellipsoids and H as open circles. Dashed lines represent Sn-O bonds.

expected to be near 136° for the ideal arrangement. Another possible description for the structure of (V) is a bicapped tetrahedron, with the two C and two S atoms in tetrahedral sites and with the two O atoms capping this tetrahedron. However, the angles subtended by the C and S atoms at Sn range from 87.95 (2) to 131.15 (9) $^{\circ}$ and are thus far from ideal. Thus, a highly distorted six-coordinate complex seems to be the most appropriate description for the geometry. A similar situation is found for the estertin analogue, $[MeOC(O)CH₂ CH₂|₂Sn(dmit)$, although it was not mentioned in the publication (Buchanan et al., 1996). The five-membered chelate rings, $Sn-O-C-C-C$, have similar envelope conformations, and as expected from geometric considerations, the $MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂$ chelate bite angle generally increases with a decrease in the $Sn-O$ bond length.

Figure 2

The molecular structure of (V) represented as for Fig. 1.

The mean Sn $-$ O bond length is 2.435 (2) A in (III), 2.4926 (12) Å in (IV) and 2.6110 (11) Å in (V), all of which were determined at 150 (2) K. Corresponding values for [MeOC(O)CH₂CH₂]₂Sn X_2 , (VI), determined at 300 (2) K, are 2.525 (4) Å $[(VI), X = I;$ Balasubramanian *et al.*, 1997], 2.528 (7) Å $[(VI), X = Cl; Ng, 1993]$ and 2.629 (2) Å $[(VI),$ X_2 = dmit; Buchanan *et al.*, 1996]. If the mean Sn–O bond lengths can be taken as a guide and assuming little bond shortening on reducing the temperature, the MeC(O)- $CH₂CMe₂$ ligand appears to be the stronger chelating group. Selected comparisons of the geometric parameters for analogous ketotin and estertin compounds are given in Table 2.

Experimental

 $[MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂]$ ₂SnCl₂, (IV), was prepared according to the procedure of Hutton & Oakes (1976) and was recrystallized from EtOH solution [m.p. 432-433 K; literature value 431 K (Hutton $\&$ Oakes, 1976)]. [$MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂$]₂Sn(dmit), (V), was obtained from (IV) (0.2 mmol) and $[\text{NEt}_4]_2[\text{Zn}(d\text{mit})_2]$ (0.1 mmol) in acetone (30 ml) . The reaction mixture was refluxed for 30 min, left overnight and evaporated to leave a red-brown residue. The residue was crystallized by slow evaporation of a solution in acetone/EtOH. Dark orange-red crystals were collected, which darkened on heating and finally decomposed to give a black residue at $461-465$ K. Analysis found: C 35.3, H 4.4%; calculated for $C_{15}H_{22}O_2S_5Sn$: C 35.1, H 4.3%. H NMR (250 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.43 [s, 6H, $J(^{119,117}Sn^{-1}H)$ =111.7, 106.8 Hz, Me₂C)], 2.28 (s, 3H, MeCO), 2.96 [s, 2H, $J(^{119,117}Sn^{-1}H)$ = 116.6, 112.3 Hz, CH₂].

Crystal data

Data collection

Enraf±Nonius KappaCCD areadetector diffractometer φ and ω scans to fill the Ewald sphere Absorption correction: multi-scan (SORTAV: Blessing, 1995, 1997) $T_{\text{min}} = 0.600, T_{\text{max}} = 0.744$

 20493 measured reflections

Refinement

Refinement on F^2 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.028$ $wR(F^2) = 0.074$ $S = 1.08$ 3654 reflections 160 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2 (F_o^2) + (0.0363P)^2]$ $+ 1.0246P$ where $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.002$ $\Delta\rho_{\rm max}$ = 0.75 e ${\rm \AA}^{-3}$ $\Delta \rho_{\text{min}} = -1.19 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$

3654 independent reflections 3167 reflections with $I > 2\sigma(I)$

 $R_{\rm int} = 0.054$ $\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^{\circ}$ $h = -12 \rightarrow 12$ $k = -15 \rightarrow 15$ $l = -18 \rightarrow 18$

Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (\mathring{A}, \degree) for compounds (IV) and (V).

Notes, for (IV): $X = \text{Cl}$, $A = 1$ and $B = 2$; for (V): $X = S$, $A = 2$ and $B = 1$.

Compound (V)

Table 2

Comparison of selected geometric parameters (\AA , \degree) for ketotin [MeC(O)CH₂CMe₂]₂Sn X_2 and estertin [MeOC(O)CH₂CH₂]₂Sn X_2 .

Notes: (a) this study; (b) Howie & Wardell (2000); (c) Buchanan et al. (1996); (d) Ng (1993); (e) Balasubramanian et al. (1997); (f) s.u.'s of bond-length differences calculated as the square root of the sum of the squares of the s.u.'s of the individual observations not applicable to ketotin with X = dmit due to the crystallographic twofold axial symmetry of this molecule; s.u.'s of the mean values one half those of the differences except in this case.

Data collection

H-atom parameters constrained

In the final stages, in both cases, H atoms were introduced in calculated positions with C-H = 0.98 Å [0.99 Å] and refined with a riding model with $U_{\text{iso}} = 1.5[1.2]U_{\text{eq}}$ of the non-H atoms to which they were attached for methyl [methylene] H atoms.

Extinction correction: SHELXL

Extinction coefficient: 0.0050 (3)

For both compounds, data collection: DENZO (Otwinowski & Minor, 1997) and COLLECT (Hooft, 1998); cell refinement: DENZO and COLLECT; data reduction: DENZO and COLLECT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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