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## Crystal Structure

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# Bis $\{\mu-2-[(2,3$-dichlorophenyl)amino]-benzoato- $\kappa O$ \}di- $\mu_{2}$-ethoxo-octa-methyldi- $\mu_{3}$-oxo-tetratin(IV) 

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The title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{4}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{8}\left(\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right]$, is a centrosymmetric dimer, with three linearly fused fourmembered $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ rings. The coordination polyhedron of the Sn atom bonded to the carboxylate can be described as trigonal-bipyramidal distorted toward squarepyramidal. That of the second Sn atom is similar, but the distortion towards square-pyramidal geometry is greater. The $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{C}$ distances are 2.020 (2)-2.226 (2) and 2.096 (4)-2.114 (4) $\AA$, respectively. The benzene rings of the 2-[(2,3-dichlorophenyl)amino]benzoate ligand subtend an angle of $50.49(17)^{\circ}$; the conformation of the ligand is stabilized by intramolecular $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds. The structure is assembled via $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions to form chains parallel to [ $1 \overline{2} 0]$.

## Comment

2-[(2,3-Dichlorophenyl)amino]benzoic acid is a member of the class of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs). All NSAIDs are derivatives of $N$-phenylanthranilic acid and many of them are frequently used in medicine (Dokorou et al., 2001;), e.g. as analgesics, anti-inflammatories and antipyretics, because they have fewer side effects of sedation, respiratory

depression or addiction than other pharmaceuticals with similar properties, such as steroids (Berner et al., 1970; Vedres et al., 1973; Bauman et al., 2005). NSAIDs inhibit cyclooxygenase (COX) activity and in consequence depress the synthesis of prostaglandins (Insel, 1996; Lands \& Hanel, 1983; Reynolds et al., 1993). They have also been used in combination with cytotoxic drugs (Thicher et al., 1994, Gomez-Gaviro
et al., 2002). At non-toxic levels, they significantly increase the cytotoxicity of the anthracyclines doxorubicin, daunorubicin, epirubicin, teniposide, VP-16 and vincristine (Duffy et al., 1998). 2-[(2,3-Dichlorophenyl)amino]benzoic acid can be considered as an analogue of tolfenamic and flufenamic acids and other clinically used fenamates (Kovala-Demertzi et al., 2001).

Organotin(IV) carboxylates are an important class of compounds that have very varied applications, from catalysis to biocides (antifouling agents) and as wood preservatives (Davies, 2004; Smith, 1998). However, applications of tin compounds are often limited because of their high toxicity, e.g. antifouling paints (WS Atkins International Ltd, 1998). Tinorganic compounds have also shown antitumour activity (Gielen, 1989). Thus, combining in one compound the pharmacologically important 2 -[(2,3-dichlorophenyl)amino]benzoate ligand and potentially biologically active organotin moieties could lead to compounds with interesting properties and applications. We have therefore synthesized the title compound, (I), and present its crystal structure here.

A perspective view of the title compound (I) is shown in Fig. 1. All interatomic distances between non-metal atoms can be considered normal. The structure is composed of a centrosymmetric dimer, with three four-membered $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}-$ $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ rings in a linearly fused arrangement.

In the Cambridge Structural Database (CSD, Version 5.25; Allen, 2002), 108 compounds can be found containing the $\left(\mathrm{Sn}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right)_{3}$ ring system. In 81 of them there are additional geometrical constraints imposed by chelating or bridging substituents; thus, a comparison of geometries was performed for only 27 compounds (CSD refcodes ASUJED, BEKDAX, CATGOT, CATGUZ, EKAMUY, EKANAF, HUTYIE, HUTYIE, LIRNUV, MASYOU, MOQXOF, NIVXEV, NUZMIE, OLONIM, QASMIG, QAYNOT, QAYNUZ, QIZREW, QOHPUY, QOHQAF, RACFOQ, ROGJIG, TIPSNB, UBIFOA, VOFDAV, XAKSAD, YELRAI and ZABPIB). Except for CATGUZ, in all these compounds the central ring $\left(\mathrm{Sn}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}\right)$ is ideally planar; in CATGUZ the atoms deviate by only $0.04 \AA$ from the mass-weighted least-squares plane of the ring. The peripheral rings are close to planarity in


Figure 1
The molecular structure of (I). Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms of the methyl and ethyl groups have been omitted for clarity. Intramolecular hydrogen bonds are indicated by dashed lines. [Symmetry code: (A) $1-x,-y,-z$.]


A part of the molecular packing of the title compound, showing intermolecular $\pi-\pi$ interactions. H atoms have been omitted for clarity.
all the compounds; the maximum deviation is $0.085 \AA$ for compound TIPSNB. The interplanar angle between the central ring and the peripheral rings varies from 0.58 (in QAYNOT) to $5.61^{\circ}$ (in MOQXOF).

In (I), the mass-weighted least-squares plane of the $\mathrm{Sn} 1 / \mathrm{O} 3 /$ $\mathrm{Sn} 2 / \mathrm{O} 4$ ring is slightly distorted from planarity [the largest deviation is 0.0665 (10) $\AA$ for atom O3] and subtends an angle of $7.62(17)^{\circ}$ with the central $\mathrm{Sn} 1 / \mathrm{O} 3 / \mathrm{Sn} 1^{i} / \mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}$ ring, which is planar by symmetry [symmetry code: (i) $1-x,-y,-z$ ]. The overall arrangement of the central unit is closely similar to those previously reported for bis[3-(4-methylcoumarinyl-7-oxy)- $\mu$-methoxy-1,1,3,3-tetramethyldistannoxane] (Zhang et al., 2003; CSD refcode OLONIM), bis[[( $\mu_{3}$-oxo) $\left[\mu_{2}-(1,4-\right.$ oxazin-4-yl)carbonylthioacetato][(1,4-oxazin-4-yl)carbonyl-thioacetato]tetra- $n$-butylditin] ethanol solvate $(\mathrm{Ng}$ et al., 2000; CSD refcode QASMIG), and bis[bis(di- $n$-butyl)( $\mu_{3}$-oxo) ( $\mu_{2}$-2-methoxyphenoxo- $\left.\kappa^{2} O, O\right)(2$-methoxyphen-оху-кO)ditin] (Vatsa et al., 1991; CSD refcode: VOFDAV).

The coordination polyhedron of Sn 2 can be described as trigonal-bipyramidal [atoms O1 and O4 are axial, and atoms O3, C16 and C17 are equatorial; the sum of the squares of the deviations from ideal angles, $\Sigma \sigma(\Phi)$, is $1514^{\circ 2}$ (Favas \& Kepert, 1980)] distorted toward a tetragonal pyramid [atom O 3 is apical, and atoms $\mathrm{O} 1, \mathrm{O} 4, \mathrm{C} 16$ and C 17 are basal; $\left.\Sigma \sigma(\Phi)=5326^{\circ 2}\right]$. The coordination polyhedron around atom Sn 1 is more distorted towards square-pyramidal but can be described in the same general way [trigonal-bipyramidal, with atoms O 4 and $\mathrm{O}^{\mathrm{i}}{ }^{\text {axial, and atoms O3, C14 and } \mathrm{C} 15 \text { equa- }}$ torial, $\Sigma \sigma(\Phi)=1917^{\circ 2}$, or square-pyramidal with atom O3 apical, and atoms O3 ${ }^{i}, \mathrm{O} 4, \mathrm{C} 14$ and C 15 basal, $\Sigma \sigma(\Phi)=$ $4860^{\circ 2}$ ]. The major deformations originate from constraints imposed by the rigid four-membered $\mathrm{Sn}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ rings.

The benzene rings of the 2-[(2,3-dichlorophenyl)amino]benzoate ligand subtend an angle of $50.49(17)^{\circ}$. The carboxylate group makes an angle of $12.3(5)^{\circ}$ with its parent aromatic ring. The $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{C} 7-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 2$ torsion angle is $177.5(2)^{\circ}$. The conformation of the ligand is stabilized by intramolecular $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{Cl}$ and $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds involving the same H atom (Table 2 and Fig. 1). The packing further involves $\pi-\pi$ stacking interactions (Hunter \& Sanders, 1990) between pairs of adjacent chlorine-bearing aromatic rings [symmetry code: $2-x,-y-1,-z$; distance between ring centroids 3.929 (6) $\AA$, perpendicular distance between symmetry-parallel rings -3.504 (6) $\AA$, angle between the vector linking ring centroids and the normal to one plane $=$ $26.9(3)^{\circ}$, offset $=1.777(6) \AA$. A $\pi$-bonded chain is created parallel to [12 0$]$ (Fig. 2) via these interactions.

## Experimental

The title compound was prepared according to the method of Dokorou (2005). The crystals used for data collection were grown from an ethanol solution by slow evaporation.

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{4}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{8}\left(\mathrm{C}_{13} \mathrm{H}_{8} \mathrm{Cl}_{2} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)_{2}{ }^{-}\right.$ $\left(\mathrm{C}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ ] $M_{r}=1279.36$
Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / n$
$a=14.0875$ (6) A
$b=9.7613$ (4) A
$c=17.5858(8) \AA$
$\beta=100.106(3)^{\circ}$
$V=2380.74(18) \AA^{3}$
$Z=2$

## Data collection

Kuma KM-4 CCD area-detector diffractometer
$\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: numerical
( $X$-RED; Stoe \& Cie, 1999)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.518, T_{\text {max }}=0.894$
27541 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.027$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.063$
$S=1.15$
4230 reflections
259 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

$$
\begin{aligned}
& D_{x}=1.785 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3} \\
& \text { Mo } K \alpha \text { radiation } \\
& \text { Cell parameters from } 6140 \\
& \quad \text { reflections } \\
& \theta=2-20^{\circ} \\
& \mu=2.35 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1} \\
& T=291.0(3) \mathrm{K} \\
& \text { Needle, orange } \\
& 0.53 \times 0.07 \times 0.07 \mathrm{~mm}
\end{aligned}
$$

4230 independent reflections

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3656 \text { reflections with } I>2 \sigma(I)
$$

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R_{\text {int }}=0.036
$$

$$
\theta_{\max }=25.1^{\circ}
$$

$$
h=-16 \rightarrow 16
$$

$$
k=10 \rightarrow 11
$$

$$
l=-20 \rightarrow 20
$$

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\begin{aligned}
& w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0294 P)^{2}\right. \\
& \quad+0.8584 P] \\
& \text { where } P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3 \\
& (\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001 \\
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=1.10 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.50 \mathrm{e}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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Table 1
Selected geometric parameters ( $\left({ }^{\circ},{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| Sn1-O3 | 2.036 (2) | Sn2-O3 | 2.020 (2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sn1-C14 | 2.109 (4) | Sn2-O4 | 2.226 (2) |
| Sn1-C15 | 2.114 (4) | Sn2-C16 | 2.096 (4) |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{O}^{\text {i }}$ | 2.122 (2) | Sn2-C17 | 2.103 (4) |
| Sn1-O4 | 2.137 (2) | Sn2-O1 | 2.169 (3) |
| O3-Sn1-C14 | 118.17 (15) | O3-Sn2-C16 | 109.31 (16) |
| O3-Sn1-C15 | 113.89 (15) | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{C} 17$ | 119.36 (15) |
| C14-Sn1-C15 | 127.94 (18) | C16-Sn2-C17 | 129.99 (19) |
| $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{O}^{\text {i }}$ | 73.92 (10) | $\mathrm{O} 3-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{O} 1$ | 81.33 (9) |
| C14-Sn1-O3 ${ }^{\text {i }}$ | 94.68 (13) | C16-Sn2-O1 | 100.01 (15) |
| $\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{O} 3{ }^{\text {i }}$ | 99.06 (15) | C17-Sn2-O1 | 97.92 (16) |
| O3-Sn1-O4 | 73.61 (9) | O3-Sn2-O4 | 72.00 (9) |
| C14-Sn1-O4 | 96.61 (14) | C16-Sn2-O4 | 92.61 (15) |
| C15-Sn1-O4 | 97.98 (14) | C17-Sn2-O4 | 91.84 (15) |
| $\mathrm{O}^{\text {i }}-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{O} 4$ | 147.22 (9) | $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{O} 4$ | 153.04 (9) |

Symmetry code: (i) $1-x,-y,-z$.

Table 2
Hydrogen-bond geometry $\left(\AA,{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H}$ | $\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ | $D \cdots A$ | $D-\mathrm{H} \cdots A$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N1-H1N $\cdots \mathrm{Cl} 1$ | 0.92 | 2.51 | $2.908(4)$ | 107 |
| N1-H1N $\cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ | 0.92 | 1.97 | $2.639(4)$ | 128 |

All C-bound H atoms were placed in calculated positions and were refined as riding on their adjacent C atom, with $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}$ distances in the range $0.93-0.97 \AA$ and with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=1.2 U_{\text {eq }}(\mathrm{C})$ or $1.5 U_{\text {eq }}($ methyl C).

The methyl groups were allowed to rotate about their local threefold axis (AFIX 137). The N -bound H atom was found in the difference Fourier synthesis and was refined as riding on its parent N atom at an $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}$ distance of $0.92 \AA$, with the isotropic displacement parameter free to refine.

Data collection: CrysAlis CCD (UNIL IC and Kuma, 2000); cell refinement: CrysAlis RED (UNIL IC and Kuma, 2000); data reduction: CrysAlis RED; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990a); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: XP in SHELXTL/PC (Sheldrick, 1990b) and ORTEP-3 for Windows (Version 1.062; Farrugia 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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