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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=298 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{S}-\mathrm{C})=0.008 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.037$
$\omega R$ factor $=0.080$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=33.8$

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## Tetragonal modification of 1,1,3,3,5,5-hexamethyl-cyclo-1,3,5-tristannathiane

The space group of the title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{3} \mathrm{~S}_{3}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{6}\right]$, reported as $P 4_{1}$, is corrected to $P 4_{2} 2_{1} 2$.

## Comment

Tris(dimethyltin sulfide), 1,1,3,3,5,5-hexamethylcyclo-1,3,5tristannatiane, (I), was the unexpected product in our attempt at synthesizing dimethyltin bis(dipropyldithiocarbamate) from dimethyltin dichloride, carbon disulfide and $n$-propylamine (see Experimental). The literature reports that the compound crystallizes in monoclinic ( $P 2_{1} / c$; Jacobsen \& Krebs, 1977) and tetragonal (Menzebach \& Bleckmann, 1975) modifications. The tetragonal modification was refined in the $P 4_{1}$ space group; however, the checking program PLATON (Spek, 1990) finds missing symmetry elements, and the $P 4_{2} 2_{1} 2$ space group is suggested. This space group is now authenticated in the present study. The two independent Sn atoms in the tetragonal modification exist in tetrahedral geometries; adjacent molecules are linked by an $\mathrm{Sn} \cdots \mathrm{S}$ interaction of 3.902 (2) $\AA$ into a linear chain.


## Experimental

A solution of carbon disulfide ( 5 mmol ) in methanol ( 5 ml ) was added to a methanolic solution ( 20 ml ) of a mixture of dimethyl$\operatorname{tin}(\mathrm{IV})$ chloride $(2.5 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $n$-propylamine $(5 \mathrm{mmol})$. The reagent solutions were cooled to 273 K , and the carbon disulfide solution was then added at a rate so that the temperature of the mixture did not rise above 278 K . The mixture was stirred at 275 K for 2 h . A cream-colored solid was formed that was collected by filtration and washed with cold methanol $(2 \times 5 \mathrm{ml})$. The product was recrystallized from a methanol/chloroform ( $3: 2 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$ ) mixture to afford colorless crystals.

## Crystal data

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\begin{aligned}
& {\left[\mathrm{Sn}_{3} \mathrm{~S}_{3}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{6}\right]} \\
& M_{r}=542.45 \\
& \text { Tetragonal, } P 4_{1} 2_{1} 2 \\
& a=9.7249(1) \AA \\
& c=17.3867(3) \AA \\
& V=1644.32(4) \AA^{3} \\
& Z=4 \\
& D_{x}=2.191 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{~m}^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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Figure 1
ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976) plot of tris(dimethyltin sulfide) at the $50 \%$ probability level. H atoms are shown as circles of arbitrary radii.

## Data collection

Siemens CCD area-detector diffractometer

## $\omega$ scans

Absorption correction: empirical (SADABS; Sheldrick, 1996) $T_{\text {min }}=0.414, T_{\text {max }}=0.697$
11469 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.037$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.080$
$S=0.94$
1995 reflections
59 parameters
H -atom parameters constrained

1995 independent reflections 1545 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.088$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=28.2^{\circ}$
$h=-9 \rightarrow 12$
$k=-12 \rightarrow 12$
$l=-22 \rightarrow 22$
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0368 P)^{2}\right]$
where $P=\left(F_{o}{ }^{2}+2 F_{c}{ }^{2}\right) / 3$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001$
$\Delta \rho_{\max }=0.50 \mathrm{e}^{\AA^{-3}}$
$\Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.86 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
Absolute structure: Flack \&
Schwarzenbach (1988)
Flack parameter $=0.08(7)$

Table 1
Selected geometric parameters $\left(\AA{ }^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}\right)$.

| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{C} 1$ | $2.125(8)$ | $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $2.406(2)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{C} 2$ | $2.134(7)$ | $\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $2.435(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $2.126(7)$ | $\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $2.424(2)$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{C} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $113.9(5)$ | $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $104.0(3)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $111.9(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $108.2(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{S} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $105.3(3)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $112.2(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{S} 1^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $108.6(1)$ | $\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 2$ | $107.1(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{C} 3$ | $119.1(3)$ | $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{S} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 2$ | $103.1(1)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 1$ | $105.5(2)$ | $\mathrm{Sn} 2-\mathrm{S} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 2^{\mathrm{i}}$ | $103.1(1)$ |

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

Of the 1995 reflections, 1216 were unique and 779 were Friedel pairs.

Data collection: SMART (Siemens, 1996); cell refinement: SAINT (Siemens, 1996); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: ORTEPII (Johnson, 1976); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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