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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 295 KMean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.005 \text{ Å}$  R factor = 0.030 wR factor = 0.081 Data-to-parameter ratio = 16.3

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# (4-Biphenylacetato)tricyclohexyltin(IV)

The Sn atom of the title compound,  $[Sn(C_6H_{11})_3(C_{14}H_{11}O_2)]$ , is four-coordinate and possesses a distorted tetrahedral geometry.

### Comment

Tricyclohexyltin carboxylates,  $[(C_6H_{11})_3Sn(O_2CR)]$ , generally have a tetrahedral structure and do not auto-associate into chain structures *via* carboxylate bridging, due to the crowding of the three bulky cyclohexyl groups at the Sn atom (Chandrasekhar *et al.*, 2002; Tiekink, 1991, 1994).



4-Biphenylacetic acid is a non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (Bundgaard & Nielsen, 1988) and in its tricyclohexyltin ester, (I), the Sn atom is four-coordinate and possesses a distorted tetrahedral geometry (Fig. 1). The Sn···O2 separation of 2.900 (2) Å is not indicative of a significant interaction between these atoms. The major stereochemical role of atom O2 is to distort the tetrahedral geometry by opening up the C7-Sn1-C13 angle to 121.90 (11)° and reducing the O1-Sn1-C1 angle to 93.81 (9)°. The monodentate mode of coordination of 4-biphenylacetate is reflected in the disparate O1-C19 and O2-C19 bond lengths of 1.292 (4) and 1.206 (4) Å, respectively. The four bond lengths to Sn (Table 1)



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**Figure 1** The structure of (I), showing the atom-numbering scheme. Displacement ellipsoids are drawn at the 30% probability level.

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are similar to those found in other reported tricyclohexyltin carboxvlates, such as tricvclohexvltin indole-3-acetate (Mollov et al., 1986), trifluoroacetate (Calogero et al., 1980), N-phthaloylglycinate (Ng & Kumar Das, 1997a), (N,Ndiethylthiocarbamoylthio)acetate (Ng & Kumar Das, 1997b) and 2-(4-chlorophenyl)-3-methylbutyrate (Song et al., 2003).

### **Experimental**

Tricyclohexyltin hydroxide (0.577 g, 1.5 mmol) and 4-biphenylacetic acid (0.318 g, 1.5 mmol) in benzene (60 ml) were refluxed for 6 h with azeotropic removal of water via a Dean-Stark trap. The resulting clear solution was evaporated under vacuum. The white solid obtained, the title compound, was recrystallized from ethanol and crystals of (I) were obtained from a methanol solution of the compound (vield 81.7%, m.p. 351-352 K). Analysis, found: C 66.34, H 7.49%; calculated for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>44</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Sn: C 66.33, H 7.65%.

Crystal data

 $[Sn(C_6H_{11})_3(C_{14}H_{11}O_2)]$ Z = 2 $D_x = 1.345 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$  $M_r = 579.36$ Triclinic,  $P\overline{1}$ Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation Cell parameters from 885 a = 9.3181 (12) Åb = 11.6211 (15) Å reflections c = 13.9327 (18) Å  $\theta = 3.0-22.9^{\circ}$  $\mu = 0.92~\mathrm{mm}^{-1}$  $\alpha = 87.052 \ (2)^{\circ}$ T = 295 (2) K  $\beta = 76.227 \ (2)^{\circ}$  $\gamma = 77.460 \ (2)^{\circ}$ Block, colourless V = 1430.4 (3) Å<sup>3</sup>  $0.32 \times 0.22 \times 0.15 \text{ mm}$ Data collection Bruker SMART APEX area-5165 independent reflections detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans  $R_{\rm int} = 0.018$ Absorption correction: multi-scan

(SADABS; Bruker, 2002)  $T_{\min} = 0.758, T_{\max} = 0.875$ 7734 measured reflections

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$  $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.030$ wR(F<sup>2</sup>) = 0.081 S = 1.055165 reflections 316 parameters H-atom parameters constrained

4834 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $\theta_{\rm max} = 25.5^{\circ}$  $h = -11 \rightarrow 11$  $k = -14 \rightarrow 9$  $l = -16 \rightarrow 16$ 

 $w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0418P)^2]$ + 0.6525P] where  $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$  $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.002$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.93 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$  $\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.65 \text{ e} \text{ Å}^{-3}$ 

## Table 1

Selected geometric parameters (Å, °).

Sn1-O1	2.089 (2)	Sn1-C7	2.165 (3)
Sn1-C13	2.162 (3)	Sn1-C1	2.168 (3)
O1-Sn1-C13	110.51 (10)	O1-Sn1-C1	93.81 (9)
O1-Sn1-C7	103.00 (10)	C13-Sn1-C1	111.80 (11)
C13-Sn1-C7	121.90 (11)	C7-Sn1-C1	111.69 (11)

H atoms were placed in calculated positions and refined in the riding-model approximation, with  $U_{iso}(H) = 1.2U_{eq}(\text{carrier C})$ . Constrained C-H distances were 0.93 for aromatic CH, 0.97 for methylene CH<sub>2</sub> and 0.98 Å for methine CH.

Data collection: SMART (Bruker, 2002); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2002); data reduction: SAINT; program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1997); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL97 (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: XP (Bruker, 2002); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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