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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study
$T=295 \mathrm{~K}$
Mean $\sigma(\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C})=0.010 \AA$
$R$ factor $=0.047$
$w R$ factor $=0.105$
Data-to-parameter ratio $=19.2$

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## (4-Aminobenzoato)tris(2-methyl-2-phenylpropyl)tin(IV)

The title compound, $\left[\mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{13}\right)_{3}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]$, crystallizes with two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit. The Sn atom is four-coordinate and has a distorted $\mathrm{SnC}_{3} \mathrm{O}$ tetrahedral geometry. $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds help to establish the crystal packing.

## Comment

Tris(2-methyl-2-phenylpropyl)tin carboxylates, $\left[\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{13}\right)_{3} \mathrm{Sn}\right.$ $\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CR}\right)$ ], usually possess tetrahedrally coordinated Sn atoms and do not auto-associate into chain structures via carboxylate bridging, owing to the crowding of the three bulky organic groups at the Sn atom (Bao et al., 1998; Bomfim et al., 2002; Tian, Sun, Yang \& Yang, 2005; Tian, Sun, Yang \& Ng, 2005). In the title compound, (I), tetrahedral Sn coordination is also observed (Fig. 1). This compound crystallizes with two independent molecules in the asymmetric unit; they do not differ significantly from each other.

(I)

The $\mathrm{Sn} 1 \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ and $\mathrm{Sn} 1^{\prime} \cdots \mathrm{O} 2^{\prime}$ separations of 3.068 (4) and 3.122 (4) $\AA$, respectively, indicate there are weak interactions between these atoms, which distort the tetrahedral $\mathrm{SnOC}_{3}$ geometry. Otherwise, the bond dimensions around the Sn atoms (Table 1) are similar to those found in other reported tris(2-methyl-2-phenylpropyl)tin carboxylates, such as tris(2-methyl-2-phenylpropyl)tin phenoxyacetate (Bao et al., 1998), acetate (Bomfim et al., 2002), 3-pyridinecarboxylate (Tian, Sun, Yang \& Yang, 2005) and bis[tris(2-methyl-2-phenylpropyl)tin(IV)] phthalate (Tian, Sun, Yang \& Ng, 2005). The carboxylate $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths indicate localization of the negative charges. The crystal packing for (I) is consolidated by two $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ hydrogen bonds (Table 2).

## Experimental

Bis[tris(2-phenyl-2-methylpropyl)tin] oxide ( $1.05 \mathrm{~g}, 1 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 4-aminobenzoic acid ( $0.27 \mathrm{~g}, 2 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in benzene ( 50 ml ) were refluxed for 4 h with azeotropic removal of water via a Dean-Stark
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trap. The resulting clear solution was evaporated under reduced pressure. The white solid obtained was recrystallized from methanol and crystals of (I) were obtained from hexane-chloroform ( $1: 1 \mathrm{v} / \mathrm{v}$ ) by slow evaporation at 298 K (yield $72 \%$, m.p. 362-363 K). Analysis found: C $68.04, \mathrm{H} 6.79, \mathrm{~N} 2.17 \%$; calculated for $\mathrm{C}_{37} \mathrm{H}_{45} \mathrm{NO}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ : C 67.90 , H 6.93 , N $2.14 \%$. IR ( KBr disc): $v_{\text {as }}(\mathrm{COO}) 1641, v_{\mathrm{s}}(\mathrm{COO})$ $1347 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

## Crystal data

| $\left[\mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{C}_{10} \mathrm{H}_{13}\right)_{3}\left(\mathrm{C}_{7} \mathrm{H}_{6} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]$ | $Z=8$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| $M_{r}=654.43$ | $D_{x}=1.270 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$ |
| Orthorhombic, $P_{2} 2_{1} 2_{1}$ | Mo $K \alpha$ radiation |
| $a=13.165(1) \AA$ | $\mu=0.78 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$ |
| $b=13.4984(10) \AA$ | $T=295(2) \mathrm{K}$ |
| $c=38.507(3) \AA$ | Block, colorless |
| $V=6842.9(9) \AA \AA^{3}$ | $0.38 \times 0.35 \times 0.30 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

## Data collection

Bruker SMART APEX areadetector diffractometer $\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Bruker, 2002)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.757, T_{\text {max }}=0.800$


Figure 1
The structure of the Sn 1 molecule in (I), showing $30 \%$ displacement ellipsoids (arbitrary spheres for the H atoms). The long $\mathrm{Sn} 1 \cdots \mathrm{O} 2$ interaction is shown by dashed lines. The structure of the $\mathrm{Sn} 1^{\prime}$ molecule is virtually indentical.

H atoms were placed in calculated positions ( $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{H}=0.86 \AA$ and $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{H}=0.93-0.97 \AA)$ and refined as riding with $U_{\text {iso }}(\mathrm{H})=$ $1.2 U_{\text {eq }}$ (carrier) or $1.5 U_{\text {eq }}$ (methyl carrier).

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: ORTEP-3 (Farrugia, 1997); software used to prepare material for publication: SHELXL97.

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