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#### **Key indicators**

Single-crystal X-ray study T = 298 K Mean  $\sigma$ (C–C) = 0.009 Å R factor = 0.034 wR factor = 0.084 Data-to-parameter ratio = 15.0

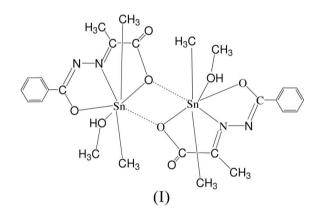
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# [*µ*-Pyruvic acid benzoylhydrazonato(2–)]bis[methanoldimethyltin(IV)]

In the title complex,  $[Sn_2(CH_3)_4(C_{10}H_8N_2O_3)_2(CH_4O)_2]$ , the Sn<sup>IV</sup> ion has a distorted pentagonal–bipyramidal coordination geometry. The carboxylate O atom bridges two Sn<sup>IV</sup> ions to form the dimeric complex, which is located on an inversion center. Hydrogen bonding between the methanol and carboxylate groups helps to stabilize the crystal structure.

#### Comment

As a part of an investigation on organotin(IV) complexes we recently synthesized the title complex, (I), and present here its structure.



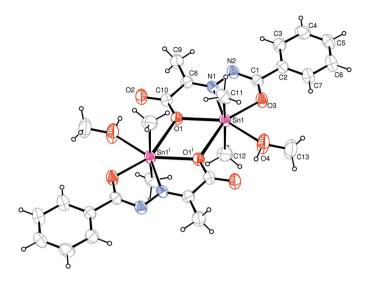
The Sn<sup>IV</sup> ion has a distorted pentagonal-bipyramidal coordination geometry, formed by one methanol molecule, two tridentate Schiff base ligands of pyruvic acid benzoylhydrazone and two methyl groups (Fig. 1). Atoms O1, O4, O1<sup>i</sup>, O3 and N1 are coplanar within 0.0220 Å [symmetry code (i): -x, -y + 1, -z + 2], forming the equatorial plane. The carboxylate atom O1 bridges two Sn<sup>IV</sup> ions to form the dimeric complex, which is located on an inversion center. The Sn-O1<sup>i</sup> bond distance (Table 1) is significantly longer than the typical Sn-O bond, but shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii for Sn and O (3.68 Å; Bondi, 1964). Thus, the structure of this complex can be described as a weakly bridged dimer. The formation of the dimer leads to a short  $O \cdot \cdot \cdot O^{i}$  separation of 2.827 (2) Å. The Sn-O(methanol) bond distance is longer than those found in analogous complexes (Yin et al., 2003; Parulekar et al., 1989).

Hydrogen bonding between the methanol and carboxylate groups helps to stabilize the crystal structure (Table 2).

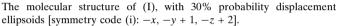
#### Experimental

© 2007 International Union of Crystallography All rights reserved Pyruvic acid benzoylhydrazone (1 mmol) and sodium ethoxide (1 mmol) were added to dry benzene (20 ml) in a Schlenk flask and

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#### Figure 1



stirred for 0.5 h. Dimethyltin dichloride (1 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 313 K and then filtered. The solvent was gradually removed by evaporation under vacuum until a solid product was obtained. The solid was then recrystallized from methanol and colorless single crystals were obtained. Elemental analysis, calculated for  $C_{13}H_{18}N_2O_4Sn$ : C 40.52, H 4.68, N 7.27%; found: C 40.31, H 4.73, N 7.40%.

#### Crystal data

[Sn <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> (C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>8</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>4</sub> O) <sub>2</sub> ]	Z = 2
$M_r = 769.96$	$D_x = 1.613 \text{ Mg m}^{-3}$
Monoclinic, $P2_1/c$	Mo $K\alpha$ radiation
a = 10.408 (10)  Å	$\mu = 1.63 \text{ mm}^{-1}$
b = 18.910 (17)  Å	T = 298 (2) K
c = 8.911 (8)  Å	Block, colorless
$\beta = 115.346 \ (15)^{\circ}$	$0.47 \times 0.42 \times 0.18 \text{ mm}$
V = 1585 (3) Å <sup>3</sup>	

#### Data collection

Bruker SMART CCD area-detector diffractometer  $\varphi$  and  $\omega$  scans Absorption correction: multi-scan (*SADABS*; Sheldrick, 1996)  $T_{\min} = 0.470, T_{\max} = 0.750$ 

#### Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.034$   $wR(F^2) = 0.084$  S = 1.002809 reflections 187 parameters H atoms treated by a mixture of independent and constrained refinement 8215 measured reflections 2809 independent reflections 2060 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$  $R_{\text{int}} = 0.036$  $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^{\circ}$ 

$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0338P)^2]$
+ 2.1392P]
where $P = (F_0^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$
$(\Delta/\sigma)_{\rm max} = 0.004$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm max} = 0.57 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\rm min} = -0.55 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

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Selected geometric parameters (Å,  $^{\circ}$ ).

Sn1-O1	2.312 (3)	Sn1-N1	2.263 (4)
Sn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	2.751 (4)	Sn1-C11	2.094 (5)
Sn1-O3	2.184 (3)	Sn1-C12	2.094 (5)
Sn1-O4	2.427 (4)		
C11-Sn1-C12	161.5 (2)	C11-Sn1-O4	82.5 (2)
C11-Sn1-O3	96.22 (19)	O3-Sn1-O4	77.39 (14)
C12-Sn1-O3	96.15 (19)	N1-Sn1-O4	146.79 (14)
C11-Sn1-N1	99.24 (19)	O1-Sn1-O4	142.83 (13)
C12-Sn1-N1	98.0 (2)	C11-Sn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	81.59 (17)
O3-Sn1-N1	69.44 (14)	$O3-Sn1-O1^{i}$	153.03 (11)
C11-Sn1-O1	90.07 (18)	O1-Sn1-O1 <sup>i</sup>	67.21 (12)
O3-Sn1-O1	139.76 (12)	$O4-Sn1-O1^{i}$	75.68 (13)
N1-Sn1-O1	70.31 (13)		( )

Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y + 1, -z + 2.

Table 2Hydrogen-bond geometry (Å, °).

$D - H \cdots A$	D-H	$H \cdot \cdot \cdot A$	$D \cdots A$	$D - \mathbf{H} \cdots A$
$O4-H14\cdots O2^i$	0.93 (7)	1.74 (7)	2.648 (6)	165 (6)
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Symmetry code: (i) -x, -y + 1, -z + 2.

H atoms attached to C atoms were all positioned geometrically and treated as riding on their parent atoms, with aromatic C–H distances of 0.93 Å and methyl C–H distances of 0.96 Å. The  $U_{\rm iso}({\rm H})$  values were set at  $1.5U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$  for the methyl H atoms and at  $1.2U_{\rm eq}({\rm C})$  for the other C-bound H atoms. The H atom bonded to the O atom was refined isotropically, giving an O–H distance of 0.93 (7) Å.

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

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