no bands in this area. Furthermore, other work in our laboratory shows that spectra of even monomeric hydroxy species (of As(II1)) do not have bands in this region. The \sim 1620-cm⁻¹ peak may be ascribed in part to the ν_2 bending mode of water for the following reason. As $[Bi(III)]$ increases $([Bi(III)] + [NO_3^-] =$ 2.45 *M*), this band shifts from 1640 cm⁻¹ $(R = 7.0)$ to 1618 cm⁻¹ $(R = 1.5)$ and considerably narrows in width. Cations are expected to influence mainly the bending mode of water, and the spectral behavior which we observe has been predicted and found elsewhere for other ions.24 In addition, there is probably some contribution to the 1620 -cm⁻¹ band from the Raman- and infrared-allowed overtone of the B_1 mode of bound $NO₃$, as well as from the Raman-allowed overtone of the A_2 " mode of free NO_3 ".

An interesting finding of the present study is that water is coordinated to Bi(II1) in all of the aqueous nitrate complexes. This conclusion follows from the continued presence in all solutions of the symmetric bismuth(III)-water stretching mode at ~ 370 cm⁻¹ and is not wholly unexpected, since in solid $Bi(NO₃)₃$. $5H_2O$ each $Bi(III)$ is capable of coordinating three bidentate nitrates and three water molecules.6 Moreover, the facts that the normalized molar intensity of this band remains almost constant in all solutions (even though the number of coordinated H_2O molecules is expected to decrease as $NO₃$ ⁻ is coordinated) and that its frequency increases with *R* suggest that the water in the higher complexes is even more strongly bound than in the lower species. However, in the hydrate melt, which might be considered the most concentrated solution of all, the fact that the $Bi-H_2O$ line is not observed indicates that the water has been removed, with a stronger coordination of nitrate. Accompanying this stronger nitrate coordination, the $Bi-NO₃$ ⁻ frequency increases from 232 cm⁻¹ in the concentrated aqueous solution to 239 cm^{-1} in the melt.

Adducts of Group IV Tetrahalides and p-Diketones

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 β -Diketones form adducts, without enolization, when combined with various metal halides in inert solvents at low temperatures. Analytical, nuclear magnetic resonance, and infrared data are consistent with the following new complexes being simple 1:1, nonionic adducts having carbonyl groups coordinated to *cis* positions: SnCl₄. C₇H₁₂O₂ (prepared from 3,3dimethylacetylacetone), TiCl₄. C₇H₁₂O₂, TiBr₄. C₇H₁₂O₂, TiI₄. C₇H₁₂O₂, ZrCl₄. C₇H₁₂O₂, and SnCl₄. C₆H₁₀O₂ (prepared from 3methylacetylacetone). The product from the low-temperature reaction of acetylacetone and tin tetrachloride is shown to be the adduct $SnCl_4 \cdot C_5H_8O_2$.

Introduction

The purpose of the present work was to prepare and investigate adducts in which β -diketones, without enolization, form chelated structures with metal halides.

3,3-Dimethylacetylacetone, (3,3-AcAc), does not contain readily enolizable hydrogens and therefore was selected as a ligand for the observation of reactivity and of infrared and nmr spectra of β -diketone adducts¹ in this investigation. The previously reported diketone adducts of acetylacetone (AcAcH) and its derivatives were characterized only by elemental analyses and decomposition temperatures except where noted: BF_3 . $C_6H_5COAc,^2$ $Al_2Br_6.2AcAcH,^3$ " [(HAcAc)₂Sn]SnCl₆" $(conductivity),$ ⁴ " $[(HAcAc)_2SnCl_2]Cl_2"$ (conductivity),⁴ SbCl₅ AcAcH,⁵ HgCl₂ AcAcH⁶ (infrared⁷), TiCl₄ $AcAcH$,⁵ and $ZrCl$ ₄ $AcAcH$.⁸ Recently,⁹ the "very weak complexes" SiF_4 · HAcAc and GeF_4 · HAcAc and the complex $SnF₄·HAcAc$ were listed in an nmr investigation but apparently were not isolated and analyzed.

Far more common than adducts of β -diketones are the β -ketoenolate complexes. Of interest in the present investigation are conditions in which reaction 1 is favored over reaction *2.* As indicated by the following paragraphs, the reaction of tin tetrachloride and acetylacetone is reported^{4,5,10-12} to give at least one ill-defined product in addition to **cis-dichlorobis(acety1acetonato)** - $\text{tin}(IV)$.

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The reaction between tin tetrachloride and acetylacetone in refluxing benzene was studied initially in 1903 by Dilthey^{10,11} and Rosenheim, $et~al.^5$ who isolated a product having the empirical formula $SnCl₂$ - $(C_5H_7O_2)_2$. On the basis of the high melting point, $202-204$ °, Dilthey suggested a structure involving tris- $(\text{acetylacetonato})\text{tin}(IV)$ and hexachlorostannate (IV) ions. In 1924 Morgan and Drew¹² obtained the same product and from molecular weight data concluded that it was "monomeric stannic bisacetylacetone dichloride. **I'**

Morgan and Drew also found¹² that the reaction of acetylacetone and tin tetrachloride at room temperature gave a product different from that isolated after refluxing in benzene. This new product, mp 150°, was assumed to be an equimolar mixture of the "stannic bisacetylacetone dichloride" and hexachlorostannic acid.

In 1963 the tin tetrachloride-acetylacetone system was investigated by Mehrotra and Gupta, 4 who established that the product of the reaction in refluxing benzene and chloroform is the monomeric, hexacoordinate dichlorobis(acetylacetonato) tin(1V) complex. The cis structure was assigned later.¹³⁻¹⁶ Mehrotra and Gupta also attempted to elucidate the above "mixture" formed by the reaction at room temperature. Their analytical data confirmed the empirical formula SnC14- $C_5H_8O_2$. An "intermediate" having the formula $[(HAcAc)₂SnCl₂]Cl₂$ was also claimed. Because the solid was unchanged under vacuum (10⁻⁴ mm) at 55°, they ruled out the possibility of hexachlorostannic acid which melts at 51° . On the basis of conductance data and chemical evidence, they drew the conclusion that the diketone complex should be formulated as

This structure will be mentioned again after a discussion of experiments involving the addition of acetylacetone, 3-methylacetylacetone, and 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone to some group IVa and IVb halides.

Experimental Section

Reagents.-The following chemicals were purchased: titanium tetrafluoride, titanium tetrabromide, titanium tetraiodide, and zirconium tetrafluoride (Alfa Inorganics, Inc.); tin and titanium tetrachlorides, "purified" grade (City Chemial Corp.); zirconium tetrachloride, "hafnium-free, reactor grade" (City Chemical Corp.); tin tetrafluoride (Peninsular Chemresearch, Inc.); germanium tetrachloride (Eagle Pitcher, Inc.); silicon tetrachloride (Fischer Scientific Co., Inc.). The tetrafluorides of silicon and germanium were gifts from Dr. D. F. Shriver. Tin tetraiodide and tin tetrabromide were prepared according to a published procedure.¹⁷ Tin tetrachloride, titanium tetrachloride, and titanium tetrabromide were distilled under nitrogen before use. Other compounds, except where noted in the subsequent experimental details, were used without further purification. Acetylacetone was obtained from Eastman Organic Chemicals and was distilled before use. All solvents were purified by distillation from suitable dehydrating agents before use. Methylene chloride with $\langle 0.01\%$ water (Matheson Coleman and Bell) was refluxed over and distilled from calcium hydride under nitrogen.

General Procedures.--Except when otherwise noted, the following general procedures apply in reactions of the metal halides. All attempted preparations were carried out under an atmosphere of dry nitrogen in small round-bottom flasks equipped with a dropping funnel, a magnetic stirrer, and a nitrogen inlet. Before any materials were added, the apparatus was thoroughly flamed under a dry nitrogen stream. All liquid components were transferred with syringes. Resulting solids were transferred under nitrogen to a Schlenk-type filtration apparatus.'8 After the compounds were washed with the solvent, they were dried under high vacuum at room temperature.

3-Methylacetylacetone was prepared according to the procedure in ref 19. However, in order to reduce the possibility of forming 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone, only one-third of the recommended amount of methyl iodide was used. The final product was purified by fractional distillation. Nmr and gas chromatographic data as well as elemental analysis indicated that the compound was pure; bp 172° (745 mm).

Anal. Calcd for C₆H₁₀O₂: C, 63.13; H, 8.83. Found: C, 63.03; H, 8.88.

3,3-Dimethylacetylacetone was prepared in nearly the same manner as described previously¹⁹ for 3-methylacetylacetone. The crude product from the 3-methylacetylacetone preparation was used in place of acetylacetone. A large excess of methyl iodide (approximately twofold) was used in order to obtain complete methylation of the 3-methylacetylacetone. The product was separated by fractional distillation and gas chromatographic and analytical data indicated that it was pure; bp 174° (745 mm); $n^{26.5}D$ 1.4272, lit.²⁰ $n^{27.8}D$ 1.426; yield \sim 80%.

Anal. Calcd for C₇H₁₂O₂: C, 65.60; H, 9.44. Found: C, 65.41; H, 9.34.

Reactions *of* **3,3-Dimethylacetylacetone** with Tin Tetrachloride, Titanium Tetrachloride, Titanium Tetrabromide, Titanium Tetraiodide, and Zirconium Tetrachloride.---In a typical reaction, tin tetrachloride (13.3 g, 5.1×10^{-2} mol) was added to 20 ml of methylene chloride, and the resulting solution was cooled to 0°. Then 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone (6.7 g, 5.2×10^{-2} mol) in 10 ml of methylene chloride was added dropwise, after which

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Color	Mp, °C	с	н	х	С	н	х
White	$90 - 93$	21 63	3.11	36.49	21.49	3.13	36.24
Yellow	126–128	26.45	3.81	44.61	26.60	3.90	44.52
Red	129–130	16.96	2.44	64.48	16.81	2.41	64.41
Purple	111–115	12.30	1.77	74.25	12.26	1.88	71.43
Gray-white	163-166	23.27	3.35	39.26	23.52	3.68	\cdots
White	\cdots	16.65	2.23	39.33	16.78	2.37	39.17
White	128-131	19.23	2.69	37.85	20.53	2.87	37.36
Red-orange	174–185	20.72	2.78	48.92	20.51	2.45	38.96

TABLE I β -DIKETONE ADDUCTS AND ANALYTICAL DATA

only a small amount of solid was evident. n -Hexane (20 ml) was added dropwise to the mixture whereupon additional white solid formed. This solid was filtered off, washed with n -hexane, and dried. For some of these reactions, suficient precipitation occurred without the addition of hexane. Carbon disulfide was the solvent for the reaction of 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone with titanium tetraiodide.

Attempted Preparation of Other Lewis Acid-3,3-Dimethylacetylacetone Adducts.-In procedures similar to those described above, tin tetrabromide, tin tetraiodide, germanium tetrachloride, silicon tetrachloride, and zirconium tetrafluoride were combined with 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone. In all cases the starting materials were recovered. A tensiometric study with silicon tetrafluoride gave no evidence for adduct formation at 25° .

The reaction of titanium tetrafluoride and germanium tetrafluoride with 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone in various solvents appeared to give adducts. However, only intractable materials could be obtained. These were not analyzed further.

When tin tetrafluoride is stirred with 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone in an inert solvent, the mixture gradually becomes brown. At reflux temperature the mixture rapidly turns brown. *So* solid adduct could be isolated.

Reaction of Tin Tetrachloride with Acetylacetone at 0°.-Methylene chloride (15 ml) and tin tetrachloride (8.9 g, 3.4 \times 10^{-2} mol) were placed in the reaction vessel and the resulting solution was thermally equilibrated in an ice bath. Upon the slow addition of acetylacetone (3.9 g, 3.9×10^{-2} mol) in methylene chloride (10 mi), a white precipitate began to form inimediately and the colorless solution gradually became yellow. The white solid was isolated and with heating it appeared to decompose: at 135' liquid was noticed on the capillary walls, at 165" the remaining solid began to darken, and at 169-175' vigorous melting led to a clear brown liquid (lit.4 mp 151").

The filtrate from the above reaction was yellow. Removal of the solvent at room temperature, without exposing the solution to the air, gave only an orange oil. An infrared spectrum of this oil showed it to consist of free acetylacetone, possibly the adduct between tin tetrachloride and acetylacetone, and a chelated acetylacetonate complex. Crystals were obtained from this oil by dissolution in ethyl acetate followed by addition of n -hexane to the point of cloudiness. After being heated a few minutes on a steam bath, this solution was filtered in the air through charcoal. Slow cooling in a refrigerator gave off-white crystals. The infrared and nmr spectra as well as melting point (202-204') were identical with that for the dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)tin-(IV) complex.

The above reaction was carried out in benzene, chloroform, and carbon tetrachloride. In all cases the infrared spectrum showed the products to be identical, with the best-appearing compounds being obtained in methylene chloride and chloroform.

Reaction of Titanium Tetrachloride with Acetylacetone at 0° . A methylene chloride (20 ml) solution of titanium tetrachloride $(6.9 \text{ g}, 3.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol})$ was thermally equilibrated in an ice bath. Dropwise addition of acetylacetone (3.9 g, 3.9×10^{-2} mol) in 10 1111 of methylene chloride gave an immediate yellow precipitate. After filtration and washing with methylene chloride, a yellow solid remained which turned red-orange on vacuum drying.

Reactions of Silicon Tetrachloride, Germanium Tetrachloride, and Zirconium Tetrachloride with Acetylacetone at 0° . These tetrachlorides were allowed to react with acetylacetone in 1:1 molar ratios. Silicon tetrachloride and germanium tetrachloride gave no evidence of reacting with acetylacetone at 0° to give either an adduct or enolate complex. Zirconium tetrachloride, however, gives only an enolate complex at 0° for which analytical data were consistent with the reported¹³ dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)zirconium(IV).

Reaction of Tin Tetrachloride and 3-Methylacetylacetone at 0°.—To tin tetrachloride (8.9 g, 3.4×10^{-2} mol) dissolved in 20 ml of methylene chloride was added 3-methylacetylacetone (4.1 g, 3.6×10^{-2} mol) in 10 ml of methylene chloride. A white precipitate formed immediately, and the solution gradually became yellow. The solid product was filtered off, washed with small portions of methylene chloride, and dried.

Reaction of the Tin Tetrachloride-Acetylacetone Adduct with Water.---A mixture of the acetylacetone adduct of tin tetrachloride in an excess of water was stirred for a few minutes, and the remaining solid was filtered, washed with ether, and recrystallized from ethyl acetate; mp 203-205". The nmr and infrarcd spectra showed the compound to be identical with the reported cis-dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)tin(IV) **.14,18**

Reaction of **cis-Dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)tin(IV)with** Hydrogen Chloride.-Gaseous hydrogen chloride was passed through a stirred solution of cis-dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)tin(IV) (1.0 g) in 25 ml of methylene chloride at 0° . Within a few hours the solid disappeared and a clear oil formed. The reaction mixture was filtered, and to the slightly yellow filtrate was added 10 ml of n -hexane. Upon removal of half of the solvent mixture by vacuum distillation, a very viscous oil formed. Xfter the oil was stirred for 1 hr, white crystals formed. The infrared spectrum of this solid was identical (except for weak enolate bands in the 1500-1600- cm^{-1} region) with that for the product formed by the reaction of tin tetrachloride and acetylacetone at 0° as described above.

Analyses.--The analyses were done by Schwarzkopf Microanalytical Laboratory. 3-Methylacetylacetone and 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone were analyzed by Micro-Tech Laboratories, Inc. Analytical data for the adducts are listed in Table I.

Infrared Spectra.-The infrared spectra reported in Table II were taken with Beckman IR-9, IR-10, and 1R-11 spectrophotometers with exact band positions being read from the IR-9 and IR-11 instruments only. Solid-state spectra were run as Sujol mulls. For those compounds sensitive to moisture, mulls as well as solutions were prepared in a glove bag filled with dry nitrogen and containing a dish of P_2O_5 . For the middle- and farinfrared regions, potassium bromide and polyethylene plates were used, respectively. The following symbols were used to describe the absorption bands: vw, very weak; w, weak; m, medium; s, strong; sh, shoulder; br, broad.

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectra were taken with a Varian A-60 spectrometer. The data are contained in Table II.

Melting Points.---All melting points were taken in sealed capillaries and are uncorrected. The reported melting points are for the regions of vigorous melting. Many of the compounds appeared to be undergoing some decomposition before melting completely.

TABLE II NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE AND INFRARED DATA

^a Internal standard, tetramethylsilanc; solvent, methylene chloride. ^b Not measured owing to low solubility. ϵ $\delta_{\text{CH}_3} = -2.12$ ppm for the enol tautomer.

Results and Discussion

A. Lewis Acid-Base Adducts of β -Diketones. The solid $1:1$ adducts formed upon combination of 3,3dimethylacetylacetone with various group IV tetrahalides are summarized in Table I. Silicon tetrafluoride, silicon and germanium tetrachlorides, tin tetrabromide, and tin tetraiodide did not appear to form adducts with 3,3-AcAc. Germanium, tin, and titanium tetrafluorides appeared to react with $3,3$ -AcAc; however, only intractable materials could be isolated. All of the adducts are moisture sensitive, and exposure to the atmosphere effects visible decomposition.

When acetylacetone is added to silicon and germanium tetrachlorides in an inert organic solvent at room temperature, no evidence for adduct formation is obtained. Tin tetrachloride, as discussed in part B below, and titanium tetrachloride do form 1:1 adducts with acetylacetone at 0° , and these adducts are stable at room temperature. At elevated temperatures, tin tetrachloride reacts with acetylacetone to give only

 cis -dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)tin(IV) regardless of the molar ratios of the reactants.⁴ Titanium tetrachloride, on the other hand, gives trichloroacetylacetonatotitanium (IV) when allowed to react in a 1:1 molar ratio with acetylacetone and cis-dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)titanium(IV) when combined in a $1:2$ molar ratio with acetylacetone.²¹⁻²³ When acetylacetone is allowed to react with zirconium tetrachloride in 1:1 molar ratios at 0° or higher temperatures, hydrogen chloride is given off and only the reported¹³ dichlorobis- (acetylacetonato) zirconium (IV) is isolated.

Qualitatively, silicon and germanium tetrachlorides have much less of a tendency to form adducts than the tetrachlorides of tin, titanium, and especially zirconium. Also, adduct formation with chlorides is more favorable than with bromides or iodides.

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acetylacetone adduct shows the greatest temperature dependence of the adducts studied and at room temperature is almost completely dissociated. Extensive dissociation is also consistent with the much greater apparent solubility of this adduct in methylene chloride in comparison with the other adducts of 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone.

Infrared spectral data for the region of carbonyl stretching, 1500-1800 cm-l, are tabulated in column *5* of Table 11. As expected, the carbonyl stretching frequency is less for the adducts in the solid state than for pure 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone. Since $\Delta \nu_{C=0}$ values as great as 145 cm^{-1} have been observed²⁴ for monodentate ligands, the carbonyl shifts of the *3,3* dimethylacetylacetone adducts are relatively small. For the tetrachlorides, $\Delta v_{\text{C}=0}$ increases in the order: $TiCl_4 < SnCl_4 < ZrCl_4$. For the titanium halides, $\Delta \nu_{\text{C}=0}$ increases in the order: $\text{TiCl}_4 \sim \text{TiBr}_4 < \text{TiI}_4$.

The infrared spectra of the adducts of 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone in methylene chloride (summarized in Table 11) differ appreciably from the corresponding solid-state spectra in the carbonyl region. For the tin tetrachloride adduct, bands are observed at 1722, 1703, and 1665 cm⁻¹; the bands at 1722 and 1703 cm⁻¹ have the same relative molar absorptivities and frequencies as corresponding bands of free 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone. The small nmr chemical shift in the tin tetrachloride-3,3-dimethylacetylacetone relative to free *3,3* dimethylacetylacetone and the other 3,3-dimethyl adducts studied is in agreement with the solution infrared results.

The infrared absorptions in the $200-500$ -cm⁻¹ region, Table 11, probably contain contributions from both Sn-Cl and Sn-0 stretching vibrations. For complexes of the type $SnCl₄I₂$, ν_{Sn-Cl} generally occurs in the range 280-400 cm^{-1 25-27} and for SnCl₄(ONC₅H₅), $\nu_{\text{Sn}-0}$ is at 382 cm^{-1} .²⁷ While detailed assignments of peaks to tin-chlorine and tin-oxygen stretching was not attempted, the total *number* of peaks is consistent with a *cis* but not a *trans* (polymeric) structure.

The 1:1 adducts with 3,3-AcAc should have a *cis* structure, and a listing of the far-infrared bauds should prove useful in deciding between *cis* or */runs* structures of 1:2 adducts of monodentate donors. The bisacetone adduct of tin tetrachloride has the possibility of a *cis* or *trans* structure. If *trans,* the adduct has $pseudo-D_{4h}$ symmetry and only one infrared-active Sn-Cl stretch, whereas the *cis* adduct would have C_{2v} symmetry giving four infrared-active stretches. Beattie and Rule28 have used far-infrared data in the region $500-270$ cm⁻¹ to suggest that the acetone adduct has a *cis* structure. However, they qualify their conclusion by stating: "Ideally, a known chelate, closely related to the relevant unidentate ligand, should be examined to obtain the spectrum of the *cis* adduct." The bis-acetone adduct was prepared again in this investigation, and the observed bands at 427, 356, 332, and 306 cm $^{-1}$ agreed well with the reported bands.²⁸ From the close resemblance of the spectra for the bisacetone and 3,3-AcAc adducts of tin tetrachloride, it seems reasonably certain that the assignment of a *cis* structure to the acetone adduct is correct.

B. Characterization of the Tin Tetrachloride- β -Diketone Systems.—The 1:1 tin tetrachloride-acetylacetone adduct when exposed to the atmosphere gradually lost hydrogen chloride and, from infrared and nmr spectra, decomposed to an enolate complex.

However, the interaction in refluxing benzene of 3-methylacetylacetone with tin tetrachloride does not lead to a well-defined product. The solid product had a very poor melting point but showed a strong enolate band at 1574 cm^{-1} . Smith and Wilkins¹⁵ reported an unsuccessful attempt to prepare dichlorobis(3-methylacetylacetonato) tin(IV). No evidence for $[(HAcAc)₂$ - $SnCl₂Cl₂⁴$ was obtained in this investigation.

When the 1:1 acetylacetone-tin tetrachloride adduct was stirred in mater, a different white solid formed, which was cis -dichlorobis(acetylacetonato) tin(IV). This reaction with water is chemical evidence that the 1:1 compound is simply an adduct, since acetylacetone when added to a water-tin tetrachloride solution gives only cis-dichlorobis(acety1acetonato) tin(1V) as observed previously²⁹ and currently in this research. The product from 3-methylacetylacetone and tin tetrachloride gave an oil when dissolved in water; however, after stirring a few minutes, a white solid formed which contained enolate bands in the infrared spectrum. This solid melted over a wide range and was not identified.

Infrared spectroscopy readily allows one to distinguish adduct formation with enolizable β -diketones from the formation of the enolate complex through elimination of hydrogen chloride. Characteristic regions of absorption of enolate complexes are well known.^{30,31} The absence of enolate bands in the $1500 1600$ -cm⁻¹ region in the infrared spectra of the solid coinpounds establishes that acetylacetone and 3-meth-

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ylacetylacetone do not immediately eliminate hydrogen chloride when allowed to react with tin tetrachloride at room temperature or below, and thus the infrared spectra suggest the formation of adducts similar to that formed between the nonenolizable 3,3-AcAc and tin tetrachloride. **A** moderately intense band was always observed in the region $540-590$ cm⁻¹ for the solid adducts studied here. The free ligands and $SnCl₂$ - $(C_5H_7O_2)_2$ either did not absorb or gave weak peaks in this region.

The solid-state and solution infrared spectra of the acetylacetone-tin tetrachloride system show that the predominating species in the two phases are not the same. For the adduct in methylene chloride, weak bands were observed at 1735 (vw), 1702, 1667, and 1616 (vw) cm⁻¹ and strong bands at 1597, 1568, and 1542 cm⁻¹. The highest energy band at 1735 cm⁻¹ is probably due to the free keto tautomer, while the bands at 1702 and 1667 cm⁻¹ may be due to an adduct. The peak at 1616 cm⁻¹ can be attributed to the enol tautomer of acetylacetone, and the absorption in the $1500-1600$ -cm⁻¹ region is most probably due to a ketoenolate complex. The latter complex cannot be **cis-dichlorobis(acetylacetonato)tin(IV)** which in solutions of methylene chloride absorbs at 1579 cm⁻¹ and, as observed here and previously, **l4,I6** exhibits two methyl resonances. Another possible ketoenolate complex is trichloroacetylacetonatotin(IV).
From Table II it is evident that the 3-methylacetyl-

acetone-tin tetrachloride system is similar to the acetylacetone system. The band at 1665 cm⁻¹ in the spectrum of the solution is more intense than in the acetylacetone case. For the $3,3$ -AcAc \cdot SnCl₄ system, as discussed previously, both free diketone bands and a band at 1665 cm^{-1} were observed. Within the tin **tetrachloride-P-diketone** systems, 3,3-dimethylacetylacetone appears to be less basic than 3-methylacetylacetone which is less basic than acetylacetone toward tin tetrachloride. With titanium tetrachloride, 3,3 dimethylacetylacetone again exhibits a smaller carbonyl shift when compared to acetylacetone. If the differences in the magnitudes of the carbonyl perturbations in acetylacetone and the 3-methyl-substituted acetylacetone on coordination to tin and titanium tetrachloride are mainly determined by the electronic differences brought about by substitution at the 3 position, then the methyl group at the 3-carbon can be considered to be electron withdrawing relative to hydrogen. This electron withdrawal should decrease the basicity of the carbonyl oxygens. Laurie and Muenter³² have recently shown that the methyl group is electron withdrawing relative to hydrogen in saturated hydrocarbons.

The similarity among the far-infrared spectra, Table 11, of the solid 1 : 1 compounds of tin tetrachloride with acetylacetone, 3-methylacetylacetone, and 3,3 dimethylacetylacetone is further evidence that these compounds are isostructural adducts. The lack of an absorption near 318 cm^{-1} , which is the absorption region for the hexachlorostannate ion, **33** makes it unlikely that the compounds have the structure postulated by other workers⁴ and mentioned in the Introduction. Rather, the data seem most consistent with the above-mentioned compounds being 1 : 1 adducts.

In the nmr spectrum of the product isolated from the reaction of tin tetrachloride and acetylacetone and dissolved in dilute solutions $(\sim 0.1 \, M)$ of methylene chloride, only one methyl resonance peak could be observed in the temperature range -25 to 37° . The position of the resonance, the absence of a $-CH_2$ resonance, and the presence in the infrared spectrum of intense bands in the ketoenolate complex region are consistent with assigning the resonance peak to the terminal methyl groups of a ketoenolate complex.

In summary, acetylacetone, 3-methylacetylacetone. and **3,3-dimethylacetylacetone,** when allowed to react with tin tetrachloride at 0° , do not eliminate hydrogen chloride but form relatively stable adducts of 1:1 stoichiometry. All observations are consistent with the solid adducts having the structure (where R_i = H or $CH₃$)

although a dimeric structure with bridging β -diketone groups cannot be excluded. Infrared and nmr spectroscopic data indicate that the adducts partially dissociate in methylene chloride and, if enolization is possible, lose some hydrogen chloride to form enolate complexes. The equilibrium of the enolate and the adduct of acetylacetone can be shifted toward the adduct by the addition of hydrogen chloride.

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