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¹¹⁹Sn CHEMICAL SHIFTS IN SEVEN-COORDINATE ORGANOTIN COMPOUNDS

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Summary

The FT NMR studies revealed that ¹¹⁹Sn chemical shifts in seven-coordinate organotin compounds are more than 100 ppm upfield from those in six-coordinate analogues.

One of the most notable features of ¹¹⁹Sn NMR spectroscopy is the dependence of ¹¹⁹Sn chemical shifts (δ (¹¹⁹Sn)) on the coordination number of tin; that is, δ (¹¹⁹Sn) moves upfield with increasing coordination number from four to five and six [1]. Although seven coordination in organotin compounds has been the subject of considerable interest in recent years [2], few studies have been made on ¹¹⁹Sn NMR spectra of these compounds. As a part of our studies of ¹¹⁹Sn NMR spectra, we investigated the δ (¹¹⁹Sn) values in some seven-coordinate organotin compounds in the hope of obtaining further insight into the relation between δ (¹¹⁹Sn) and the coordination number.

The ¹¹⁹Sn FT NMR spectra with complete proton noise decoupling were measured using a Jeol FX-100 spectrometer operating at 37.08 MHz at 22°C. Field-frequency control was made with an external D₂O lock. The chemical shifts were determined relative to external tetramethyltin ($\delta = 0$) and were found to be accurate to ± 1 ppm by repeated measurements. The results are summarized in Table 1, in which the δ (¹¹⁹Sn) values in six-coordinate analogues are also given in order to show the effect of seven coordination.

Compounds I [3], III [4] and IV [5] have already been reported to maintain the seven coordination in solution. Compound II [6] is not soluble in common organic solvents except for DMF, in which this compound was confirmed to have virtually seven-coordinate tin, since the value of ${}^{2}J(CH_{3}-{}^{119}Sn)$ (114.0 Hz) is close to that of I (115.8 Hz)[3].

Apparently the $\delta(^{119}Sn)$ values in seven-coordinate compounds except II are more than 100 ppm upfield from those in six-coordinate analogues. The low $\delta(^{119}Sn)$ value for II might be due to a slight dissociation of ligands in a polar medium such as DMF. A slight ionic dissociation of II in this solvent was also

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TABLE 1

| Seven-coordinate | | | Six-coordinate | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|--|---|--------------------------------|
| Compound | Solvent | δ(¹¹⁹ Sn) (ppm) | Compound | Solvent | δ(¹¹⁹ Sn) (ppm) |
| $(CH_3)_2Sn(pan)(acac)$ (I) | 30% CHCl3 | 463 | $(CH_3)_2Sn(acac)_2$ | 10% CHCl3 | -365(366 [1]) |
| $(CH_3)_2 Sn(NCS)_2(TPy)$ (II) | 20% DMF | -409 | $(CH_3)_2Sn(NCS)_2(DPy)$ | 20% DMF | -363 |
| BuSn(Ox) ₃ (111) | 10% CHCl ₃ | -561 | BuSn(OEt) ₃ BuSn(Ox) ₂ Cl | 48% C ₆ H ₆ sat. CHCl ₃ | (—432[7]) (—395[7]) |
| PhSn(dtc) ₃ (IV) | 5% CHCl ₃ | 695 | PhSn(dtc) ₂ Cl | 5% CHCl3 | -361 |

^{119}Sn Chemical shifts in seven-coordinate and corresponding six-coordinate organotin compounds^a

 \overline{a} Abbreviations for ligands; pan = 1-(2-pyridylazo)-2-naphtholate, acac = acetylacetonate, TPy = 2,2',2''-terpyridyl, DPy = 2,2'-dipyridyl, Ox = oxinate, and dtc = N,N'-dimethyldithiocarbamate.

suggested by its molar conductivity $(0.211 \ \Omega^{-1} \ \text{cm}^2 \ \text{mol}^{-1} \ \text{at} \ 10^{-4} \ \text{mol} \ \text{l}^{-1})$. While six-coordinate organotin compounds usually have octahedral configuration, the most probable ligand arrangement for seven-coordinate compounds is that of a pentagonal bipyramid with axial Sn—C bonds [2], which have increased s-character as is evident from the large ${}^2J(\text{CH}_3-{}^{119}\text{Sn})$ values. It has been reported that the increase in s-character in Sn—C bonds induces an upfield shift of $\delta({}^{119}\text{Sn})$ values [8].

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