# Structural chemistry of organotin carboxylates 

# XVII *. Diorganotin(IV) derivatives of $N$-phthaloyl-dL-valine 

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#### Abstract

New diorganotin(IV) complexes of the general formula $\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ and $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ (where A is the anion derived from the $N$-phthaloyl derivative of dl-valine and $\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{Me},{ }^{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{Bu}$ and ${ }^{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{Oct}$ ) have been prepared and characterized by spectroscopic methods and in the case of the $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ compound, by X-ray crystallographic methods. The Sn atoms in the $\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \operatorname{Sn}(\mathrm{~A})_{2}\right]$ complexes are six-coordinate and the $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ complexes are examples of dicarboxylato tetraorganodistannoxanes. The crystal structure of $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ shows both the endocyclic and exocyclic Sn atoms to be five-coordinate, trigonal bipyramidal. Several weak intramolecular contacts are noted with the most noteworthy being a contact of $3.15(1) \AA$ between the imido $\mathrm{C}=O$ atom and the endocyclic Sn atom.


## Introduction

The present study represents an extension of earlier work with diorganotin(IV) complexes of $N$-protected amino acids and dipeptides [2,3]. New diorganotin(IV) compounds containing the deprotonated $N$-phthaloyl-dl-valine ligand are reported including an $X$-ray crystal structure analysis of the $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CCH}\right.\right.\right.$ $\left.\left.\left.\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right) \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ compound. Interest in organotin/amino acid (and peptide) systems arises from their potential applications in agriculture [4] and as anti-tumour agents [5].

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## Results and discussion

Dialkyltin(IV) oxides react with $N$-phthaloyl-dL-valine (AH) in $1: 2$ and $1: 1$ ( Sn : ligand) molar ratios to form $\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ and $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}\left(\mathrm{R}=\mathrm{Me},{ }^{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{Bu}\right.$ and ${ }^{n}$ Oct), respectively in yields of $76-93 \%$ (Table 1). These have been characterized by IR and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectroscopy and for the $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ complex by X-ray crystallography. Satisfactory microanalytical data have been obtained for these complexes. The methyl and n-butyl compounds are white in colour and were recrystallized from benzene and absolute alcohol ( $3: 1$ ) solutions of the respective compound. By contrast the n-octyl compounds are viscous liquids. All the complexes arc soluble in chloroform, methanol, dichlotomethane and benzene and are insoluble in carbon tetrachloride.

IR spectra of $N$-phthaloyl-Dl-valine (AH) and the diorganotin complexes are summarized in Table 1; the stretching frequencies of interest are those associated with the imido $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$, acid $\mathrm{COO}, \mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ and $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Sn}$ groups. The deprotonation of the carboxylic acid is evident from the disappearance of a broad band owing to the COOH group in the region $2900-2500 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ of the ligand. In the spectrum of AH the stretching modes of imido $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ are observed at $1770 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ which shifts little after complexation indicating the non participation of the imido $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}$ group in significant coordination to Sn . The values of $\Delta \nu$ (where $\Delta \nu=$ $\left.\nu(\mathrm{COO})_{\text {asymm }}-\nu(\mathrm{COO})_{\text {sym }}\right)$ in the spectra of the complexes is lower than the value for the $\mathrm{AC}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}$ ester ( $\Delta \nu 390 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ) and is near to that observed in the Na salt ( $\Delta \nu$ $205 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ ). These observations suggest the presence of bidentate carboxylate ligands in the complexes. The presence of two $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{C}$ abserption bands in the spectra of the complexes in the region $600-500 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ indicates a non-linear trans configuration of the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{C}$ moiety. A band in the region $500-400 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ is assigned to the stretching mode of the $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ link and in the case of the $1: 1$ complexes a strong band at $650 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ region is assigned to a $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Sn}$ bridge.

The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra of the acid (AH) and of the complexes, recorded in $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ solution, are summarized in Table 2. In the spectrum of the free ligand a single resonance is observed at $\delta 9.39 \mathrm{ppm}$ which is absent in the spectra of the complexes indicating the replacement of the carboxylic acid proton by a diorganotin moiety on complex formation. The positions of resonances associated with the phenyl H atom change little upon coordination. A doublet due to the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{CH}$ protons shifts upfield (4.61-4.28 ppm) indicating the coordination of the carboxylate group. Two doublets are resolved due to the methyl protons $\left(-\mathrm{CH}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}\right)$ of A in the $\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ complexes whereas these overlap with the multiplets due to the Sn -bound alkyl groups in the ${ }^{\mathrm{n}} \mathrm{Bu}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ and ${ }^{n} \mathrm{Oct}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ complexes. A multiplet due to the methine protons shift to lower field in the complexes confirming carboxylate coordination to Sn . In the $\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ complexes the presence of a single resonance due to the $\mathrm{Sn}-\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}$ shows a trans configuration of the methyl groups. In each of the ${ }^{n} \mathrm{Bu}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ and ${ }^{n} \mathrm{Oct}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ complexes a very broad multiplet due to the alkyl H atoms is observed. The integration of the individual resonances is consistent with the formulation of the compounds as $\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ and $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$.

The spectroscopic evidence suggests that the $1: 2$ compounds have six-coordinate Sn centres. On the basis of crystallographic studies on related compounds the geometries of the Sn atoms may be inferred to be based on a skew-trapezoidal planar arrangement [6]. In this description the organo groups lie over the longer
Table 1
Physical and infrared spectral data $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{-1}\right)$ for the $\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ and $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ complexes ${ }^{a}$

| Complex | Yield <br> (\%) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { M.p. } \\ & \left({ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}) \\ & \text { imido } \mathrm{I} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \nu(\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{O}) \\ & \text { imido } \mathrm{II} \end{aligned}$ | $\nu(\mathrm{COO})_{\text {asym }}$ | $\nu(\mathrm{COO})_{\text {sym }}$ | $\Delta \nu$ | $\nu(\mathbf{S n}-\mathrm{C})$ | $\nu($ Sn-O) | $\nu(\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}-\mathrm{Sn})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AH |  |  | 1770m | 1740vs | 1690s | 1390ws | 300 | - | - | - |
| ANa |  |  | 1775m | 1710vs | 1600s | 1395vs | 205 | - | - | - |
| $\mathrm{AC}_{2} \mathrm{H}_{5}$ |  |  | 1770m | 1740vs | 1680sh | 1290vs | 390 | - | - | - |
| $\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ | 80 | 171-172 | 1775m | 1720vs | 1615s | 1380vs | 235 | $\begin{aligned} & 580 \mathrm{w} \\ & 530 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 470m | - |
| $\left[{ }^{\left[8 u_{2}\right.} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ | 93 | 155-156 | 1770m | 1715vs | 1620s | 1390vs | 230 | $\begin{aligned} & 610 \mathrm{w} \\ & 525 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 460 m | - |
| [ $\mathrm{OCt}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}$ ] | 87 | liq | 1775m | 1720vs | 1610s | 1380vs | 230 | $\begin{aligned} & 605 \mathrm{w} \\ & 530 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 470m | ${ }^{-}$ |
| $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ | 89 | 220 | 1770m | 1710vs | 1600s | 1375vs | 225 | $\begin{aligned} & 570 \mathrm{w} \\ & 525 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 480 m | 650m |
| [ $\left.\left[{ }^{[ } \mathrm{Bu}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)_{2}$ | 76 | 139-141 | 1780m | 1730vs | 1600s | 1385vs | 215 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 615sh } \\ & 535 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 495m | 650m |
| [[ $\left.\left.{ }^{-} \mathrm{Oct}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ | 78 | liq | 1770m | 1710vs | 1620s | 1385vs | 235 | $\begin{aligned} & 605 \mathrm{w} \\ & 530 \mathrm{~m} \end{aligned}$ | 470m | 650m |

[^1]Table 2
${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR data $(\delta ; \mathrm{ppm})$ for the $\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right]$ and $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ complexes ${ }^{a}$

| Complex | $\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4}$ | $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{CH}$ | - $\mathrm{CH}-$ | $-\left(\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)_{2}$ |  | Sn-R |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $-\mathrm{CH}_{2}-$ | $-\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ |
| AH | $7.95-7.75$ | $4.70-4.41$ | $2.55-2.37$ | $1.31-1.11$ | $1.01-0.81$ | - | - |
| $\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}\right.$ ] | $\begin{aligned} & 7.85-7.69 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $4.61-4.57$ <br> (d, 2H) | $2.68-2.61$ <br> (m, 2H) | $\begin{aligned} & 1.13-1.10 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $0.96-0.87$ <br> (d, 6H) | - | $\begin{aligned} & 1.07 \\ & (\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |
| [ ${ }^{3} \mathrm{Bu}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}$ ] | $\begin{aligned} & 7.85-7.68 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.59-4.55 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.75-2.64 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.13-1.10 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.96-0.83^{b} \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 24 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |  |
| [ ${ }^{\text {Oct }}{ }_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})_{2}$ ] | $\begin{aligned} & 7.85-7.69 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.60-4.56 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.72-2.68 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.14-1.11 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1.79-1.24 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 28 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.96-0.83^{c} \\ & (t, 12 H) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.84-7.69 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.32-4.28 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.60-2.53 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.07-1.04 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.83-0.80 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 0.69 \\ & (\mathrm{~s}, 12 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |
| $\left\{\left[{ }^{\mathrm{B}} \mathrm{Bu}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.82-7.69 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.42-4.31 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.78-2.63 \\ & \left(m_{1} 2 H\right) \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1.31-0.85^{d} \\ & (\mathrm{bm}, 48 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |  |
| $\left\{\left[{ }^{\text {Oct }}{ }_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.86-7.70 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4.42-4.36 \\ & (\mathrm{~d}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.68-2.71 \\ & (\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1.42-0.89{ }^{d} \\ & \text { (bm, 80H) } \end{aligned}$ |  |



Fig. 1. Molecular structure and crystallographic numbering scheme employed fir $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CCH}\right.\right.\right.$ $\left.\left.\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right) \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right) \mathrm{I}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$.
$\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bond distances formed by the asymmetrically coordinating carboxylate groups. The 1:1 compounds are assumed to have the familiar dicarboxylato tetraorganodistannoxane structure. A crystal structure analysis of $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ confirms this assignment.

The molecular structure of $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$, obtained as its dihydrate, is shown in Fig. 1 and selected interatomic parameters are listed in Table 3. The structure features a centrosymmetric $\mathrm{Sn}_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2}$ moiety which is connected to two exocyclic $\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}$ groups. A bridge between the $\mathrm{Sn}(1)$ and $\mathrm{Sn}(2)$ atoms is provided by a

Table 3
Selected interatomic parameters ( $\AA$, deg) for $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CCH}\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right) \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$

| $\overline{\mathrm{Sn}}$ (1)-O(1) | 2.034(8) | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(1)$ | 2.005(7) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)^{\text {a }}$ | $2.204(8)$ | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 2.275(9) |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | $2.261(8)$ | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)^{\prime}$ | 2.197(9) |
| Sn(1)-C(27) | 2.12(1) | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(29)$ | 2.12(1) |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | 2.12(1) | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(30)$ | 2.09(1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 1.21(1) | O(6)-C(14) | 1.25(2) |
| $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 1.23(1) | O (7)-C(14) | 1.23(2) |
| C(1)-C(2) | 1.55 (2) | C(14)-C(15) | 1.48(1) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)^{\prime}$ | 76.7(3) | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)$ | 91.5(3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 89.7(3) | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)^{\prime}$ | 82.8(3) |
| $O(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(27)$ | 106.9(4) | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(29)$ | 112.9(4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | 104.7(4) | $\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(30)$ | 106.8(5) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)^{\prime}-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)$ | 165.5(4) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)^{\prime}$ | 172.6(3) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)^{\prime}-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(27)$ | 93.6(4) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(29)$ | 83.8(5) |
| $\mathrm{O}(1)^{\prime}-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | 97.6(4) | $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(30)$ | 87.1(5) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(27)$ | 85.6(4) | $\mathrm{O}(6)^{\prime}-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(29)$ | 94.1(4) |
| $\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ | 90.5(4) | $O(6) \cdot-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(30)$ | 99.0(5) |
| C(27)-Sn(1)-C(29) | 148.2(6) | $\mathrm{C}(29)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(30)$ | 139.4(6) |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)^{\prime}$ | 103.3(2) | $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)$ | 134.4(2) |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)^{\prime}$ | 122.2(2) | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 130.2(9) |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2)-\mathrm{C}(1)$ | 135.5(9) | $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)-\mathrm{C}(14)$ | 110.6(8) |

[^2]bidentate carboxylate group; $\operatorname{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{O}(2) 2.261(8)$ and $\operatorname{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(3) 2.275(9) \AA$. The second carboxylate ligand functions essentially in the monodentate mode ( $\mathrm{Sn}(2)-$ $\mathrm{O}(6)^{\prime} 2.197(9) \AA$ ). This ligand coordinates the exocyclic Sn atom exclusively such that the pendant $O(7)$ atom is orientated away from the rest of the molecule and is $2.901(9) \AA$ from the $\mathrm{Sn}(2)$ atom. The $\mathrm{O}(6)$ atom simultaneously forms a close intramolecular contact with the $\mathrm{Sn}(1)$ atom such that $\mathrm{Sn}(1) \cdots \mathrm{O}(6)$ is $2.939 \AA$. The $\mathrm{Sn}(1)$ atom also forms a close intramolecular contact with the imido $\mathrm{C}=O(9)$ atom at $3.15(1) \AA$. On the basis of the Sn atom geometries it is suggested that the weaker $\mathrm{Sn} \cdots \mathrm{O}$ interactions are not indicative of significant bonding interactions.

The $\operatorname{Sn}(1)$ atom exists in a distorted trigonal bipyramidal geometry with the basal plane defined by the $O(1), C(27)$ and $C(28)$ atoms. The axial sites are occupied by the $O(2)$ and $O(1)^{\prime}$ atoms and the $\operatorname{Sn}(1)$ atom lies $0.058(2) \AA$ out of the basal plane in the direction of the $O(1)^{\prime}$ atom. Distortions from the ideal geometry are manifested in the $\mathrm{C}(27)-\mathrm{Sn}(1)-\mathrm{C}(28)$ angle of $148.2(6)^{\circ}$ and the axial angle of $165.5(4)^{\circ}$. and may be related to the close approach of the $O(6)$ and $O(9)$ atoms. If the $O(6)$ and $O(9)$ atoms were considered to be within bonding distance of the $\mathrm{Sn}(1)$ atom, the coordination geometry would be best described as being based on a pentagonal bipyramid with the methyl groups occupying the axial positions. The $\mathrm{Sn}(2)$ atom also exists in a distorted trigonal bipyramidal geometry. The $\mathrm{Sn}(2)$ atom lies 0.111 (3) $\AA$ out of the basal plane defined by the $O(1), C(29)$ and $C(30)$ atoms in the direction of the $O(6)^{\prime}$ atom. Significantly, the distortions from the ideal geometry about the $\operatorname{Sn}(2)$ atom are less than for the $\operatorname{Sn}(1)$ atom; $\mathrm{C}(29)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{C}(30)$ and $\mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Sn}(2)-\mathrm{O}(6)^{\prime}$ are $139.4(6)$ and $172.6(3)^{\circ}$, respectively. These distortions, too, may be related to the close approach of the $O(7)$ atom. The $O(7)$ atom is $3.02(1) \AA$ from the molecule of water of crystallization indicating the existence of an hydrogen bond between these atoms.

The structure adopted by $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}(\mathrm{A})\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ is as found for the common structural motif for dicarboxylato tetraorganodistannoxanes, $\left\{\left[\mathrm{R}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CR}^{\prime}\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ [6]. An interesting feature of the present structure, however, is the relative close approach of a non-carboxylato hetero atom of the carboxylate $\mathrm{R}^{\prime}$ group to the Sn atom, the weak nature of this interaction not withstanding. This has not been observed previously for O or S potential donor atoms in the $\mathrm{R}^{\prime}$ moiety although the participation in bonding to Sn by an N hetero atom has been observed in the structure of $\left\{\left[{ }^{n} \mathrm{Bu}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CC}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{~N}-o\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2}$ leading to a new structural type for dicarboxylato tetraorganodistannoxanes [7].

## Experimental

## Materials

Dimethyl, di-n-butyl and di-n-octyltin oxides were obtained commercially (Alfa). dl-Valine was obtained from Sisco and $N$-phthaloyl-Dl-valine was prepared by the literature method [8].

## Preparation of complexes

To a solution of $N$-phthaloyl-dL-valine ( 2 mmol ) in a mixture of dry benzene ( 30 $\mathrm{cm}^{3}$ ) and absolute ethanol ( $10 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ ) was added the dialkyltin oxide ( 1 or 2 mmol ). The mixture was refluxed on a water bath with azeotropic removal of water. The dialkyltin oxide went into solution within $10-15$ mins to give a clear solution.

Table 4
Crystal data and refinement details for $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CCH}\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right) \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right.$

| Formula | $\mathrm{C}_{60} \mathrm{H}_{72} \mathrm{~N}_{4} \mathrm{O}_{18} \mathrm{Sn}_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Mol. wt. | 1648.0 |
| Crystal system | orthorhombic |
| Space group | Pccn |
| $a, \AA$ | $13.524(2)$ |
| $b, \AA$ | $34.658(5)$ |
| $c, \AA$ | $15.305(2)$ |
| $V, \AA^{3}$ | 7173.7 |
| $Z$ | 4 (tetramers) |
| $D_{c}, \mathrm{~g} \mathrm{~cm}^{-3}$ | 1.526 |
| $F(000)$ | 3296 |
| $\mu, \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ | 13.20 |
| $T, \mathrm{~K}$ | 293 |
| No. of data collected | 5366 |
| No. of unique data | 4700 |
| No. of unique reflections used with $I \geqslant 2.5 \sigma(I)$ | 2502 |
| $R$ | 0.048 |
| $k$ | 4.644 |
| $g$ | 0.0004 |
| $R_{\mathrm{w}}$ | 0.052 |
| Residual $\rho_{\text {max }}, \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}$ | 1.09 |

Refluxing was continued for 3-4 h, cooled, and the solvent removed by distillation under reduced pressure. A white solid obtained was collected and recrystallized from a mixture of dry benzene and absolute ethanol ( $3: 1$ ratio) in the case of the methyl- and butyltin complexes. For each of the octyltin complexes the viscous liquid obtained was washed with $\mathrm{CCl}_{4}$.

## Physical measurements

Melting points were determined in open capillaries and are uncorrected. Elemental analysis for $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{H}$ and N were carried out by the Microanalytical Service, R.S.I.C. Panjab University, Chandigarh. Tin was estimated as $\mathrm{SnO}_{2}$. Infrared spectra were recorded as Nujol mulls on a Perkin-Elmer 1430 spectrophotometer. The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ spectra were recorded on a Bruker AC 200 spectrometer using TMS as an internal standard.

## Crystallography

Intensity data for $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CCH}\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right) \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ were measured at 293 K on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4F diffractometer fitted with graphite monochromatized Mo-K radiation, $\lambda=0.7107 \AA$. The $\omega-2 \theta$ scan technique was employed to measure 5366 data up to a maximum Bragg angle of $22.5^{\circ}$. The data were corrected for Lorentz and polarization effects but not for absorption. Relevant crystal data are given in Table 4.

The structure was solved by direct-methods [9] and refined by a full-matrix least-squares procedure based on $F$ [10]. The crystallographic asymmetric unit is comprised of one half molecule, located about a crystallographic centre of inversion, and one water molecule of crystallization. The $\mathrm{Sn}, \mathrm{O}, \mathrm{N}$ and non-aromatic C
atoms were refined with anisotropic thermal parameters and H atoms were included in the model in their calculated positions (except for the C(15) and C(16) atoms). There was disorder in the structure in the region of the second carboxylate ligand so that the $\mathrm{C}(14)-\mathrm{C}(15)$ and $\mathrm{C}(15)-\mathrm{C}(16)$ bond distances were constrained to $1.52(2) \AA$. After the inclusion of a weighting scheme of the form $w=k /\left[\sigma^{2}(F)\right.$

Table 5
Fractional atomic coordinates for $\left\{\left[\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{Sn}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2} \mathrm{CCH}\left(\mathrm{CHMe}_{2}\right) \mathrm{C}_{8} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{NO}_{2}\right)\right]_{2} \mathrm{O}\right\}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$

| Atom | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(1)$ | - 156(1) | -419(1) | 4488(1) |
| $\mathrm{Sn}(2)$ | -39(1) | 466(1) | 3112(1) |
| O(1) | -47(6) | 154(2) | 4216(5) |
| O(2) | -482(7) | -538(3) | 3065(6) |
| O(3) | 130(7) | -75(3) | 2282(5) |
| $\mathrm{O}(4)$ | - 1835(7) | -1251(3) | 1454(7) |
| O(5) | 1333(8) | - 1012(3) | 2252(7) |
| O(6) | -68(7) | 952(3) | 4032(5) |
| O(7) | -249(8) | 1290(3) | 2834(7) |
| O(8) | 1597(8) | 2064(3) | 3660(7) |
| O(9) | 426(8) | 1304(3) | 5868(7) |
| $\mathrm{N}(1)$ | -241(8) | - 1046(3) | 1728(7) |
| N(2) | 774(9) | 1671(3) | 4650(7) |
| C(1) | -232(10) | -398(4) | 2375(8) |
| C(2) | -453(11) | -631(5) | 1532(9) |
| C(3) | -42(11) | -481(5) | 683(9) |
| C(4) | 1069(13) | -461(6) | 644(11) |
| C(5) | -471(14) | -685(5) | -81(9) |
| C(6) | -1012(11) | -1314(4) | 1701(10) |
| C(7) | -549(11) | -1673(5) | 2058(9) |
| C(8) | - 1007(12) | -2038(5) | 2178(10) |
| C(9) | -363(12) | -2331(5) | 2515(11) |
| $\mathrm{C}(10)$ | 598(13) | -2263(5) | 2723(11) |
| C(11) | 987(12) | -1887(5) | 2584(10) |
| C(12) | 400(11) | -1618(5) | 2264(9) |
| C(13) | 589(11) | -1190(4) | 2079(9) |
| O(14) | - 157(10) | 1265(4) | 3631(10) |
| C(15) | - 130(11) | 1624(4) | 4148(11) |
| C(16) | -986(13) | 1811(9) | 4431(18) |
| C(17) | -809(16) | $2219(6)$ | 4824(14) |
| C(18) | - 1863(11) | 1789(7) | 3895(12) |
| C(19) | 1582(10) | 1898(4) | 4376(10) |
| C(20) | 2352(10) | 1861(4) | 5026(8) |
| C(21) | 3234(11) | 2030(5) | 5057(10) |
| C(22) | 3856(12) | 1935(5) | 5776(10) |
| C(23) | 3509(12) | 1686(5) | 6418(11) |
| C(24) | 2578(10) | 1528(4) | 6389(10) |
| C(25) | 1993(9) | 1626(4) | 5675(8) |
| C(26) | 988(11) | 1512(4) | 5465(10) |
| C(27) | - 1675(9) | -538(4) | 4701(8) |
| C(28) | 1301(9) | -634(4) | 4333(8) |
| C(29) | 1412(9) | 589(4) | 2659(9) |
| C(30) | -1497(10) | 491(4) | 2672(10) |
| O(w) | 3723(13) | 6775(6) | 8531(15) |

$\left.+|g| F^{2}\right]$, the refinement was continued until convergence; final refinement details are listed in Table 4. The analysis of variance showed no special features indicating that an appropriate weighting scheme had been applied. Fractional atomic coordinates are listed in Table 5 and the numbering scheme employed is shown in Fig. 1 which was drawn with ORTEP [11] at $15 \%$ probability ellinsoids. Scattering factors were as incorporated in the shelx-76 program [10] and the refinement was performed on a SUN4/280 computer. Other crystallographic details (available from ERTT) comprise thermal parameters, H-atom parameters, all bond distances and angles, and tables of observed and calculated structure factors.

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    * For Part XVI, see ref. 1.

[^1]:    Spectra were recorded as Nujol mulls, the symbols s, m, b, w and sh have their usual meanings.

[^2]:    ${ }^{a}$ Primed atoms are related by a centre of inversion.

