# A reinvestigation of the crystal structure of the organotin complex formed in the reaction of butyltin trichloride with 1-(2-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzothiazol-2-yl)-propan-2-one

## Wei Chen

Department of Chemistry, University of Malaya, 59100 Kuala Lumpur (Malaysia)

#### Abstract

In contrast to a previous report, butyltin trichloride reacts with 1-(2-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzothiazol-2-yl)-propan-2-one to yield a hydroxyl-bridged aquobutyldichlorotin hydroxide dimer that is hydrogen bonded to four 2-methylbenzothiazole molecules.

Key words: Crystal structure; Tin; Hydrogen bonding

## **1. Introduction**

Butyltin trichloride has been reported to react with 1-(2-methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzothiazol-2-yl)-propan-2one to yield a complex formulated as { $[C_6H_4SNHC-(CH_3)]_2^+$  [ $(C_4H_9)Cl_3SnOH]_2^-$ }  $2[C_6H_4SNC(CH_3)]$ . Crystal structure analysis of the complex confirmed the presence of the hydroxyl bridge, and the structure was claimed to be the first example of involvement of a tin-chlorine bond in hydrogen bonding interaction [1]. The analysis did not however explain the suspiciously short (2.229(6) Å) tin-chlorine bond distance and the large temperature factor (0.152(3) Å<sup>2</sup>) for the chlorine atom, which prompted the present reinvestigation.

## 2. Experimental details

Intensities of 3441 reflections were measured on an Enraf-Nonius CAD4 diffractometer (Mo K $\alpha$ , 0.71073 Å) up to  $2\theta_{max} = 50^{\circ}$  (collection range:  $0 \le h \le 10, -12 \le k \le 12, -12 \le l \le 13$ ). The structure was solved by the heavy atom method, and a  $\theta$ -dependent absorption correction was applied [2] following isotropic refinement. Full-matrix least-squares refinements on F for 354 variables utilized anisotropic temperature factors for the non-H atoms; all H-atoms except the hydroxyl hydrogen and one hydrogen of the water were located and refined isotropically; 2813 of the 3206 independent reflections satisfying  $I \ge 3\sigma(I)$  were used. The refinements converged to R = 0.024;  $R_w = 0.029$  ( $w = [\sigma(F)^2$ )



Fig. 1. Atomic labelling for  $[(C_4H_9)Cl_2SnOH \cdot H_2O]_2 \cdot 4[C_6H_4SNC-(CH_3)]$ . Selected distances and angles: Sn-C11 2.485(1), Sn-C12, 2.427(1), Sn-O1 2.122(3), Sn-O2 2.216(4), Sn-O1' 2.038(3), Sn-C17 2.132(5) Å; C11-Sn-C12 94.24(4), C11-Sn-O1 91.87(8), C11-Sn-O1' 88.83(8), C11-Sn-O2 171.8(1), C11-Sn-C17 99.0(2), C12-Sn-O1 159.82(8), C12-Sn-O1' 90.18(8), C12-Sn-O2 89.3(1), C12-Sn-C17 98.6(2), O1-Sn-O1' 70.7(1), O1-Sn-O2 82.4(1), O1-Sn-C17 99.4(2), O1'-Sn-O2 83.8(1), O1'-Sn-C17 167.7(2), O2-Sn-C17 87.7(2)°.

TABLE 1. Atomic coordinates and	l temperature factors (	$(\times 10^2 \text{ Å}^2)$
---------------------------------	-------------------------	-----------------------------

	x	у	z	$B_{\rm eq}$ (Å <sup>2</sup> )
Sn	-0.01998(3)	-0.14314(2)	0.51956(2)	2.543(6)
Cl1	-0.2920(1)	-0.07822(9)	0.5434(1)	4.11(3)
Cl2	-0.0090(1)	-0.2159(1)	0.36078(9)	4.44(3)
S1	0.6762(1)	-0.3584(1)	0.2444(1)	3.92(3)
S2	0.0533(1)	0.1597(1)	-0.06881(9)	4.35(3)
O1	0.0024(3)	-0.0297(2)	0.6057(2)	2.76(6)
O2	0.2238(3)	-0.1726(3)	0.4897(3)	3.88(8)
N1	0.4265(4)	-0.2927(3)	0.3591(3)	3.40(8)
N2	-0.0204(4)	0.1042(3)	0.1596(3)	3.41(8)
C1	0.5536(4)	-0.4606(4)	0.3035(3)	3.2(1)
C2	-0.5696(5)	-0.4236(4)	0.6997(4)	4.0(1)
C3	-0.4577(5)	-0.3586(4)	0.6413(4)	4.5(1)
C4	-0.3301(5)	-0.4081(4)	0.5807(4)	4.5(1)
C5	-0.3129(5)	-0.5228(4)	0.5784(4)	3.8(1)
C6	0.4258(4)	-0.4095(4)	0.3631(3)	2.96(9)
C7	0.5486(5)	-0.2555(4)	0.3012(4)	3.4(1)
C8	0.5843(5)	-0.1354(4)	0.2838(5)	5.1(1)
C9	-0.1327(5)	0.1846(4)	-0.0133(3)	3.5(1)
C10	- 0.2526(5)	0.2317(5)	-0.0751(4)	4.8(1)
C11	- 0.3898(6)	0.2406(5)	-0.0085(5)	5.6(1)
C12	-0.4089(6)	0.2034(5)	0.1148(5)	5.3(1)
C13	-0.2906(5)	0.1567(4)	0.1767(4)	4.2(1)
C14	-0.1512(5)	0.1477(3)	0.1121(3)	3.04(9)
C15	0.0937(5)	0.1046(4)	0.0768(4)	3.7(1)
C16	0.2479(6)	0.0614(5)	0.1013(5)	5.8(1)
C17	- 0.0047(6)	-0.3171(4)	0.6670(5)	4.9(1)
C18	-0.1250(6)	-0.3358(4)	0.7719(4)	4.6(1)
C19	- 0.1179(8)	- 0.4656(5)	0.8622(5)	7.0(2)
C20	- 0.2398(9)	-0.4819(6)	0.9682(6)	8.5(2)

Anisotropically refined atoms are given in the form of the isotropic equivalent displacement parameter defined as:  $B_{eq} = \frac{4}{3}[a^2B_{1,1} + b^2B_{2,2} + c^2B_{3,3} + ab(\cos \gamma)B_{1,2} + ac(\cos \beta)B_{1,3} + bc(\cos \alpha)B_{2,3}].$ 

+  $(0.02F)^2 + 1]^{-1}$  [3]). The final difference map was diffuse with peaks in the -0.130 to +0.507 e Å<sup>-3</sup>. All computations were performed with the MolEN package on a DEC MicroVAX minicomputer [4]. Atomic coordinates are listed in Table 1 and the atomic labelling scheme is shown in Fig. 1.

Crystal data:  $C_{40}H_{52}Cl_4N_4O_4S_4Sn_2$ , FW 1160.34, triclinic,  $P\overline{1}$  (No. 2); *a* 9.5137(7), *b* 12.0629(8), *c* 12.3300(8) Å; *a* 65.582(5)°, *β* 76.153(5)°; *γ* 74.990(6)°;

V 1230.3(2) Å<sup>3</sup>; F(000) 584;  $D_{calc}$  1.566 g cm<sup>-3</sup>;  $\mu$  14.42 cm<sup>-1</sup> for Z = 1. Complete lists of bond angles and lengths and a table of hydrogen atom coordinates and thermal parameters have been deposited with the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre.

## 3. Results and discussion

The crystal structure of the complex formed from the reaction between butyltin trichloride and 1-(2methyl-2,3-dihydrobenzothiazol-2-yl)-propan-2-one reveals it to be a centrosymmetric hydroxyl-bridged aquobutyldichlorotin hydroxide dimer that is linked to four 2-methylbenzothiazole molecules by short hydrogen bonds, as indicated by the formulation  $[(C_4H_9) Cl_2SnOH \cdot H_2O]_2 \cdot 4[C_6H_4SNC(CH_3)].$ 

This formulation differs from that reported previously, viz. { $[C_6H_4SNHC(CH_3)]_2^+$  { $(C_4H_9)Cl_3SnOH]_2^-$ } · 2[ $C_6H_4SNC(CH_3)$ ], in that the dinuclear species bears no charges as the butyltin unit is covalently bonded to two chlorine atoms and one hydroxyl group. The water molecule which forms a short coordinative bond (Sn  $\leftarrow$ O2 2.216(4) Å) to tin is hydrogen bonded to one of the two independent 3-methylbenzothiazole molecules (O · · · N 2.721(5) Å); the hydroxyl oxygen atom forms a somewhat shorter H-bond (O · · · N 2.687(4) Å) with the other independent 3-methylbenzothiazole molecule.

#### Acknowledgment

I thank Prof. S.-B. Teoh of Universiti Sains Malaysia for supplying the crystals.

#### References

- 1 S.-B. Teo, S.-G. Teoh, R.C. Okechukwu and H.-K. Fun, J. Organomet. Chem., 454 (1993) 67.
- 2 N. Walker and D. Stuart, Acta Crystallogr. A, 39 (1983) 158.
- 3 R.C.G. Killean and J.L. Lawrence, Acta Crystallogr. B, 25 (1969) 1750.
- 4 Delft Instruments, MolEN structure determination system, Delft Instruments X-ray Diffraction B.V., 2624 AL Delft, The Netherlands, 1990.