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# **SOLID-STATE ASSOCIATION IN ORGANOTIN COMPOUNDS CONTAINING BULKY ORGANIC GROUPS. TRICYCLOHEXYLTIN HYDROXIDE**

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## **Summary**

**Tricy+ohexyItin hydroxide is shown to share the hydroxy-bridged polymeric structure of its methyl analogue on the basis of its ambient temperature**  <sup>119m</sup>Sn Mössbauer spectrum, similar QS value and its  $\nu$  (O-H) in the infrared. **Fragments larger than the parent molecular ion are observed in the mass spectrum, but these may arise from** *a* **rapid dehydration/condensation to bis(tricyclohexyltin) oxide.** 

**Triorganotin compounds containing atoms with lone pairs of electrons adopt higher coordination whenever favorable conditions exist [l] . The choice of coordination number and geometry is often governed by the size of the substituent groups at tin [2] and by the degree of branching in the ligand [3]. Nonbonded interactions of the cyclohexyl group in organotin compounds have been reviewed 141. In the well-studied acetate series, the structure of the tricyclohexyltin analogue consists of discrete units in the solid [ 51, with the three cyclohexyl groups apparently effectively preventing the close approach of a second acetate group- Both the tribenzyltin 163 and trimethyltin [7] derivatives crystallize in the carboxylate-bridging form. The triorganotin hydroxides, whose struc**tures have been less extensively studied, are complicated by interconversion to **the oxides and by possible contamination with the carbonates (eqn. 1). The solid state structure of trimethyltin hydroxide consists of chains of oxygen atoms almost equidistant between planar trimethyltin groups** [Sj . **The results of**  a recent study of tricyclohexyltin hydroxide by tin-119m Mössbauer spectro**scopy suggested a similar five-coordinate structure based upon quadrupole splitting data [9]. Another study of triorganotin hydroxides and of bis(triorganotin) oxides by infmred and MSssbauer spectroscopy neglected the tricyclo**hexyltin derivatives [10]. We have recently reported the structure of trimethyl**tin glycinate [ll] which is an amino-bridged, five-coordinated polymeric tin compound and from a tiombination of spectroscopic data, we have shown the** 



MÖSSRAHER DATA FOR TRIORGANOTIN HYDROXIDES AND CA

<sup>a</sup> Recorded at 77 K vs. Ba <sup>119m</sup>SnO<sub>3</sub> (New England Nuclear Corp.) by published techniques [30]. <sup>b</sup> Listed as  $1.07 \pm 0.03$ ;  $2.71 \pm 0.03$  vs.  $SnO_2$  [13]; as  $1.19 \pm 0.05$ ;  $2.91 \pm 0.05$  vs.  $SnO_2$  [31]; as  $1.14 \pm 0.09$ ;  $2.97 \pm 0.03$ 0.09 vs. Pd(Sn) [32]; as 1.20 and 2.89 vs. SnO<sub>2</sub> [10], <sup>c</sup>Exhibits ambient temperature spectrum. <sup>d</sup>Listed as  $1.40 \pm 0.05$  and  $2.99 \pm 0.05$  [9]. <sup>*e*</sup> From Ref. 10.

tricyclohexyltin glycinate to have a similar structure [2]. The comparison between the methyl- and cyclohexyl-tin hydroxides is also of interest in this respect.

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(R_3Sn)_2CO_3 \xrightarrow{CO_2} 2R_3SnOH \rightleftharpoons (R_3Sn)_2O + H_2O \tag{1}
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The extent of dehydration of tricyclohexyltin hydroxide to form bis(tricyclohexyltin) oxide is uncertain [12], but we have synthesized bis(tricyclohexyltin) carbonate for comparative study. Table 1 lists the <sup>119m</sup>Sn Mössbauer data for the compounds studied. The QS values for the two hydroxides are identical within experimental error, and the ratios of QS to IS are greater than ca. 2.1, a situation generally observed for higher than four-coordination at tin [9, 13,14]. Furthermore, tricyclohexyltin hydroxide exhibits a spectrum at ambient temperatures, a behavior always associated with polymeric lattices [14,15]. While several compounds known to form associated solids fail to exhibit ambient temperature spectra (trimethyltin hydroxide is one example), no discretely molecular solids giving rise to this phenomenon are known  $[14,15]$ .

The infrared  $\nu(O-H)$  in the solid state is very similar for the two hydroxides (Table 2), with the sharp absorptions confirming the absence of hydrogen bonding, but observation of both  $\nu_{as}$  and  $\nu_{s}$  (SnC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>) for the tricyclohexyltin derivative rules out a precisely planar arrangement for the  $SnC<sub>3</sub>$  skeleton. In solutions in which trimethyltin hydroxide has been shown to be a dimer  $[16]$ ,  $\nu(O-H)$ shifts to 3658 cm<sup>-1</sup> while the  $\nu$ (O-H) for tricyclohexyltin hydroxide is found at  $3638 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  in a variety of inert solvents in which the degree of association has not been investigated.

These observations specify that the trimethyl- and tricyclohexyl-tin hydroxides share the five-coordinate, trigonal bipyramidal arrangement in the solid state at ambient temperatures as well as at 77 K, probably of the axially most electronegative type commonly found in organotin chemistry [1], and that the three cyclohexyl groups do not prevent the penetration of the hydroxide of an adjacent molecule to form the associated chain structure. This situation should be contrasted with that in the trineophyltin analogue, where the Mössbauer data suggest four-coordination  $[9,13,17]$ , but further confirmation is needed since

TABLE 1



**INFRARED ABSORPTIONS FOR R<sub>3</sub>SnOH (IN cm<sup>-1</sup>)** 

**oTaken from ref. 20 with assignments as listed there. 'Infrared absorptions are also reported in Ref. 33.**   $^{\mathsf{c}}$  Run as Nujol and halocarbon oil mulls on Beckman IR-11 and IR-12 spectrometers.  $^{\mathbf{d}}$  A medium band at 504 cm<sup>-1</sup> is observed in CCl4 solution and assigned to  $v_{\rm s}$ (Sn—CH<sub>3</sub>) in that phase [20]. "We have founc<br>tin—carbon bands at 496-490 and 425-415 cm<sup>-1</sup> in a series of tricyclohexyltin—oxygen compounds studied [2].

 $v(O-H)$  has been reported at 3620 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the melt (m.p. 145-146° [17]) and hydroxide bridging to form a dimeric  $Sn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>$  ring occurs in  $\frac{(h<sup>5</sup>-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)Fe(CO)<sub>2</sub>-}$  $Sn(C_6H_5)(O_2SC_6H_5)OH$ <sub>2</sub>, where the two five-coordinate tin atoms also carry **very bulky groups [lS]. The high lattice forces in the methyl- and cyclohexyl**tin solids are sufficient to elevate the melting points (220-222<sup>o</sup>C for the latter **[19]) and to ensure the stability of the two hydroxides against dehydration at ambient temperatures, yet in our hands, even trimethyltin hydroxide sublimes readily at room temperature in vacua.** 

**Additional evidence from mass spectrometric studies are gathered in Table 3. Trimethyltin hydroxide exhibits an intense peak at m/e 329 which can be as**signed on the basis of high resolution data as Me<sub>3</sub>SnOSnMe<sub>2</sub><sup>\*</sup>. Trimethyltin hy**droxide is surprisingly resistant to dehydration, and can be very readily sublimed without decomposition or condensation under high vacuum. Species are found in the mass spectrometer similar to those observed in other polymeric organotin-oxygen compounds [20,21]- Trimethyltin hydroxide decomposes to give** 



MASS SPECTROMETRIC DATA FOR TRIMETHYL- AND TRICYCLOHEXYL-TIN HYDROXIDE AND **CARBONATE<sup>a</sup>** 

<sup>*a*</sup> Recorded on an AEI MS-902 mass spectrometer at 70 eV. <sup>*b*</sup> Background CO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup> is listed for comparison purposes. Found: 119.9034; calcd.: 119.9022;  $\Delta = 10$  ppm (based on Sn = 120),  $d$  Found: 120.9111:  $\mu$  and 120.9100:  $\Delta = 9$  ppm (based on Sn = 120).  $e$  Found: 134.9246; calcd.: 134.9256;  $\Delta = 7$  ppm (based on Sn = 120).  $^{7}$ Found: 149.9493; calcd.: 149.9491;  $\Delta = 1$  ppm (based on Sn = 120).  $^{8}$  Found: 164.9725; calcd.: 164.9726;  $\Delta = 1$  ppm (based on Sn = 120).  $^h$  Found: 328.9166; calcd.: 328.9189;  $\Delta =$ 7 ppm (based on Sn<sub>2</sub> = 238). <sup>*I*</sup> Found: 669.2210; calcd.: 669.2319:  $\Delta$  = 15 ppm (based on Sn<sub>2</sub> = 238).

dimethyltin oxide and tetramethyltin as the only tin-containing species [19]. Tricyclohexyltin hydroxide likewise gives a fragment at  $m/e$  669 in the mass spectrometer which can be formulated as  $(C_5H_{11})$ ,  $SnOSn(C_5H_{11})$ , from high resolution data. The peak is far less intense, and the data do not serve to distinguish the origin of this fragment as a portion of the associated structure of solid tricyclohexyltin hydroxide that survives transfer to the gas phase, or as a result of rapid dehydration/condensation under the high vacuum conditions of the mass spectrometer to give bis(tricvclohexyltin) oxide.

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TABLE 3

Both trimethyltin hydroxide and carbonate exhibit the m/e 329 ion, Me<sub>3</sub>-SnOSnMe<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>, as the most abundant. In the cyclohexyl compounds, on the other hand, the ions assigned as  $(C_6H_{11})_3$ SnOSn $(C_6H_{11})_2$ <sup>+</sup>(669),  $(C_6H_{11})_2$ SnOSn $(C_6H_{11})_2$ <sup>+</sup>  $(586)$ ,  $(C_6H_{11})_2$ SnOSn $C_6H_{11}$ <sup>+</sup>(503) and  $(C_6H_{11})_2$ SnOH<sup>+</sup>(302) in the spectrum of **the hydroxide do not appear in the spectrum of the carbonate, but are replaced**  by ions which can be assigned to  $(C_6H_{11})_3Sn[(C_6H_{11})_2Sn]CO_2^*(697)$ ,  $[(C_6H_{11})_2$ - $Sn]_2CO^*(598)$ ,  $(C_6H_{11}Sn)_2CO_3^*(464)$ ,  $C_6H_{11}SnOSnH_2^*(339)$  and SnOSnH<sup> $*(255)$ </sup>. In both cyclohexyltin compounds,  $C_6H_{11}Sn^*(202)$  is the most abundant ion.

**The comparison between the methyl and cyclohexyl spectra reflects the greater availability of hydrogen from the cyclohexyl groups during fragmentation to give species such as SnH+(120). The abundances of the methyltin ions**  are in the order  $Me<sub>3</sub>Sn<sup>+</sup> > Me<sub>5</sub>Sn<sup>+</sup>$  for both derivatives, but  $C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>Sn<sup>+</sup>$ is the most abundant in both of its dervatives with  $(C_6H_{11})_3Sn^*$  and  $(C_6H_{11})_2Sn^*$ **present in small amounts. Doubly charged ions are common in the spectrum of**   $(Me<sub>3</sub>Sn)<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>$ , and the amount of  $CO<sub>2</sub><sup>+</sup>$  is significant, while in the cyclohexyl analogue doubly-charged ions are not observed, and the release of  $C_6H_{11}O$  is a **principal process in the fragmentation. As a further comparison, the high reso**lution mass spectrum of tricyclohexylsilanol consists of relatively few ions:

**TABLE 4** 

**INFRARED ABSORPTIONS FOR**  $(R_3Sn)_2CO_3$  **(IN**  $cm^{-1}$ **)** 



 $^a$ Taken from ref. 24 with assignments as listed there.  $^b$  Infrared absorptions are also reported in ref. 34. **=Infrared absorptions are alsO reported in ref. 35\_ dRun es Ntiol and halocarbon oil muUs on Beckman IR-11 and IR-12 spectrometers.** 

*(C,& ,),SiOH, 20.7%;* **(C,H, &SiOH, 100%; C,H, ,(H)SiOH, 76.4%; CsH, \$iOH, 1.0%; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>SiO, 1.9%; C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>Si, 4.8% [22].** 

**Free carbonate ion has**  $D_{3h}$  **symmetry and is expected to give rise to four vibrations, three of which are infrared active as in barium carbonate which gives**  absorptions at 1420, 857 and 692 cm<sup>-1</sup> [23]. For a mono- or bi-dentate carbonate group having  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry, all six resulting bands should be infrared ac**tive 1231. The infrared data in Table 4, following Sato's assignments 1241, are**  consistent with the idea that the  $C_{2v}$  carbonate groups interact with non-planar **R\$n groups, and that neither group is ionic. The MGsbauer data suggest that there is only one kind of tin environment, but the quadrupole splittings cannot be used** *to* **distinguish four- or five-coordination, and the absence of mass spectral fragments above the monomer or an ambient temperature MGssbauer spectrum is negative evidence. Monomeric structures in the solid containing fourcoordinated tin have been proposed on the basis of infrared evidence for the methyl- 1241 and ethyl-tin 1251 derivatives:** 

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**but** *the* **corresponding nitrate takes up a trigonal bipyramidal structure with planar trimethyltin groups in the solid monohydrate 1263, and the question of**  whether the sulfate moiety is chelating in monomeric  $(R_3Sn)_2SQ_4$  units  $[27,28]$ or bridging in an associated lattice [3,29] has been the focus of recent contro**versy. Further interactions with the tin atom would have to take place preserv**ing the local  $C_{2\nu}$  symmetry of the  $CO_3$  group, and therefore, not involve the **unique oxygen. Ibese requirements are met in:** 



in which at least one oxygen occupies an equatorial position and the SnC<sub>3</sub> skel**eton is non-planar.** 

#### **Experimental**

**Trimethyltin hydroxide was purified by sublimation. The tricyclohexyltin hydroxide used (Anal. Found: C, 56.24; H, 9.11; Sn, 30.82. Calcd.: C, 56.13; H, 8.90; Sn, 30.82%.) was titrated with Karl-Fischer reagent (Found: OH, 4.57. Calcd.: OH, 4.67%.) and the presence of insoluble bis(tricyclohexyltin) oxide** tested by weighing (Found: 0.16. Calcd.: 0%.).

**Bis(trimethyItin) carbonate was prepared by bubbling carbon dioxide overnight through a solutioa of trimethyltin hydroxide (1 g) in 100 ml of benzene.** 

The solid isolated was infusable above  $210^{\circ}$ C (lit, m.p.  $> 200^{\circ}$ C) [26].

**E%(ticyclohexyltin) carbonate was prepared by bubbling carbon dioxide through a solution of tricyclohexyltin hydroxide (1 g) in 1QO ml of dry benzene overnight. Bis(tricyclohexyltin) carbonate (m.p. 195-197°C) remained after the solvent was evaporated. Anai. Found: C, 54.80; H, 8.38; Sn, 29.69. C&d.: (3, 55.80; R, 8.36; Sn, 29.81%.** 

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