

ORGANIC DERIVATIVES OF TIN

VI. REACTIONS OF BUTYLTIN TRIISOPROPOXIDE WITH ALKANOLAMINES

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Summary

Butyltin triisopropoxide, $\text{BuSn}(\text{OPr-i})_3$, reacts with various alkanolamines, viz. $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$, $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$, $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHMe}$, $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_2\text{NH}$ and $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$ in different molar ratios to yield cyclic derivatives. Identical products are obtained by the reactions of $\text{BuSnO}_{3/2}$ with $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHMe}$ and $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$. Alcoholysis reactions of $\text{BuSn}(\text{OPr-i})_3$ with HOXNMe_2 ($\text{X} = \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2$ and CHMeCH_2) yield distillable $\text{BuSn}(\text{OPr-i})_{3-n}(\text{OXNMe}_2)_n$ ($n = 1, 2$ and 3) according to molar ratios of the reactants. Molecular weights and IR spectra are reported.

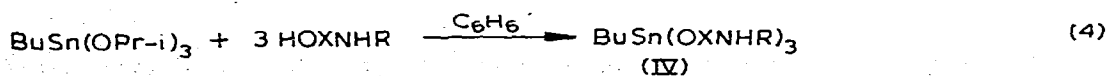
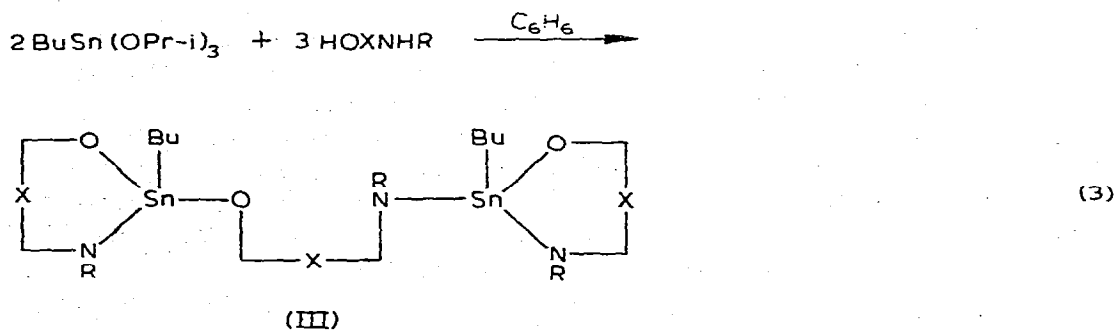
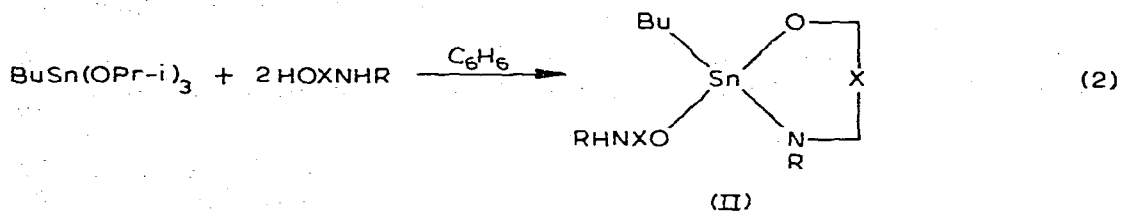
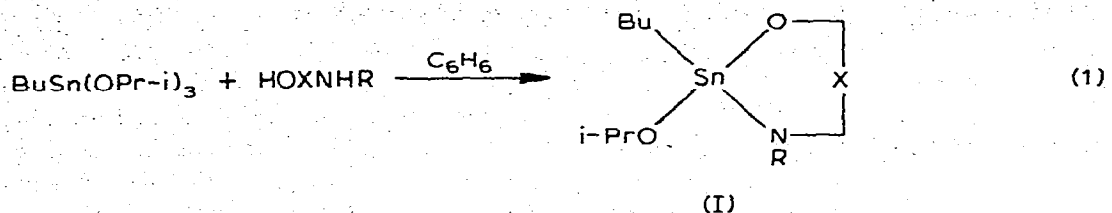
Introduction

In view of an interesting trend observed in the reactions of alkanolamines with tin(IV) [1], dibutyltin(IV) [1,2] and tributyltin(IV) [3] moieties it was considered worthwhile to complete the series by a study of the reactivity of monobutyltin(IV) moiety towards alkanolamines. A survey of literature reveals that no work has been carried out on monoalkyltin(IV) derivatives of alkanolamines except for the synthesis of a few derivatives of triethanolamine by Davies et al. [4]. The high reactivity of butyltin triisopropoxide towards glycols [5], thiols [6], β -diketones [7], unsaturated substrates [7] and various protic reagents [8] has already been investigated. We describe below studies of the reactions of butyltin triisopropoxide and sesquioxide with various alkanolamines in different molar ratios under various experimental conditions.

Results and discussion

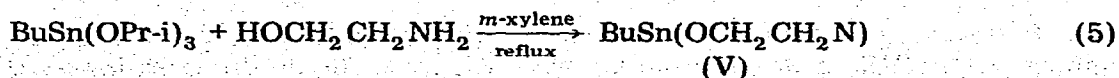
Butyltin triisopropoxide reacts exothermally with a variety of alkanolamines, HOXNHR , in different molar ratios to give cyclic products arising from the replacement of isopropoxy groups by both hydroxyl and amino groups

The reactions are quite facile, and proceed to completion at ambient temperature as represented in eqns. (1)-(4):

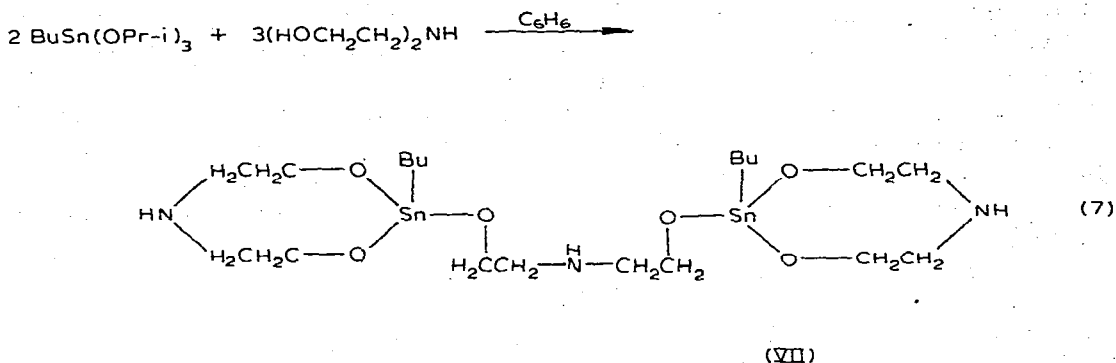
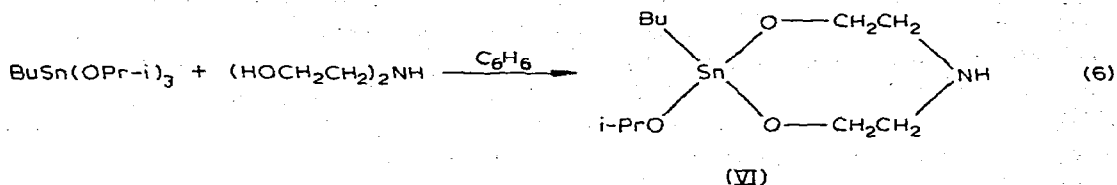


(X = CH₂CH₂, CH₂CH₂CH₂ and R = H; X = CH₂CH₂ and R = Me.)

However, when the alcoholysis reactions of BuSn(OPr-i)₃ with HOXNH₂ (X = CH₂CH₂ and CH₂CH₂CH₂) were carried out in 1/1 and 2/3 molar ratios in refluxing benzene, the reactions appear to proceed further, slowly yielding products with higher tin contents. In order to force this second stage of the reactions, an equimolar mixture of BuSn(OPr-i)₃ and HOCH₂CH₂NH₂ was refluxed in a high boiling solvent such as *m*-xylene (b.p. 139°) and the progress of the reaction was followed by estimating the isopropanol fractionated out along with the solvent. All the three isopropoxy groups appear to be replaced under these conditions, yielding the product (V).

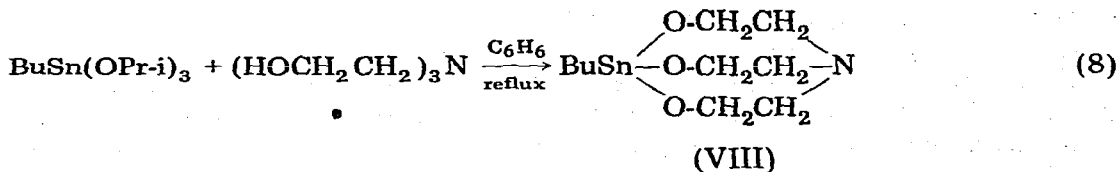


The reactions of BuSn(OPr-i)_3 with $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_2\text{NH}$ carried out at ambient temperature yield products (VI) and (VII).

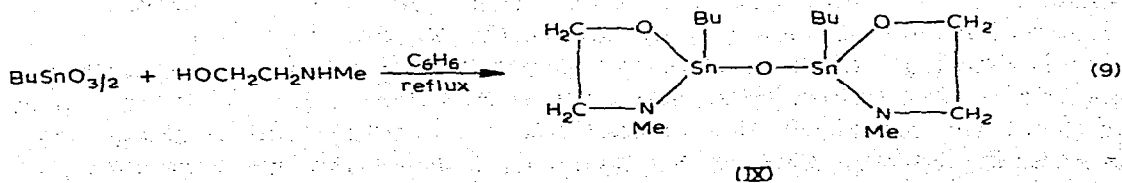


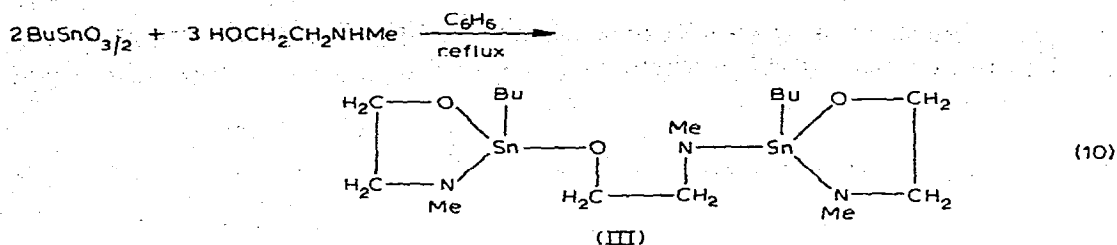
However, as for ethanolamine and propanolamine, the reactions of diethanolamine also seem to proceed further to give products with high tin contents when carried out in refluxing benzene.

The reaction of BuSn(OPr-i)_3 with $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$ in equimolar ratio in refluxing benzene yielded butylstannatrane (eqn. 8):



With *N*-methylethanolamine and triethanolamine, further reactions are not of course, possible and pure products, [(III), (VIII) and (IX)] are thus obtained from the reactions between these alkanolamines and $\text{BuSnO}_{3/2}$ in refluxing benzene followed by azeotropic removal of water. On the other hand, $\text{BuSnO}_{3/2}$ reacts with ethanolamine and propanolamine in refluxing benzene to liberate water and a mixture of products similar to those obtained from BuSn(OPr-i)_3 under similar conditions.



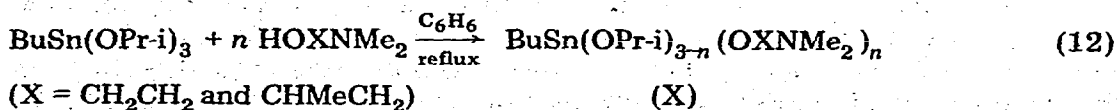


The ethanolamine, diethanolamine, and triethanolamine derivatives are white solids readily or moderately soluble in benzene, whereas those of *N*-methylethanolamine and propanolamine are either viscous liquids or low melting solids. Product (V) is a brown solid insoluble in benzene. All these derivatives decomposed on attempted vacuum distillation. Pyrolysis of the ethanolamine derivatives of type (I) and (II) at 190-205°/0.2-0.4 mm yielded SnO₂ as the final product. Molecular weight determinations on the ethanolamine derivatives of type (I) and the low solubility of other derivatives indicate their associated nature.

The butylstannatranes (VIII) synthesised by either methods (eqns. 8 and 11) is identical to that reported by Davies et al. [4], and may be compared with germatranes [9], silatranes [10] and stannatranes [1,11] described earlier by Voronkov et al. and other workers. Molecular weight determination ebulliometrically in benzene shows butylstannatranes to be associated in the solid state, but it undergoes a slow dissociation in refluxing benzene and finally the degree of association of ca. 1.6 is obtained.

The formation of mixtures in derivatives of type (II), (III) and (VII) may be excluded, as the IR spectra of *N*-methylethanolamine derivatives do not show any OH absorption due to unreacted alkanolamine, and furthermore in most of the cases crystalline solids or low melting solid products are obtained, whereas both BuSn(OPr-*i*)₃ and alkanolamines are liquids.

Butyltin triisopropoxide reacts exothermally with HOXNMe₂ in 1/1, 1/2 and 1/3 molar ratios in refluxing benzene yielding mono-, bis- and tris-aminoalkoxides respectively. The progress of the reactions can be followed by determination of the alcohol in the azeotrope:

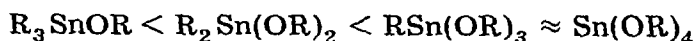


All the products obtained by the reaction shown in eqn. (12) are colourless or yellow liquids, and distilled pure in 50-86% yields. Molecular weight determinations in refluxing benzene reveal them to be monomeric. They all are very sensitive towards atmospheric moisture, and their identity is confirmed by elemental analysis, molecular weight measurements, and IR spectra.

In the light of the above observations, it is interesting to compare the reactivities of various alkyltin derivatives with alkanolamines. In the reactions of tributyltin ethoxide with alkanolamines [3], only the hydroxyl group reacts in refluxing benzene, yielding Bu₃SnOXNH₂. However, the amino group enters

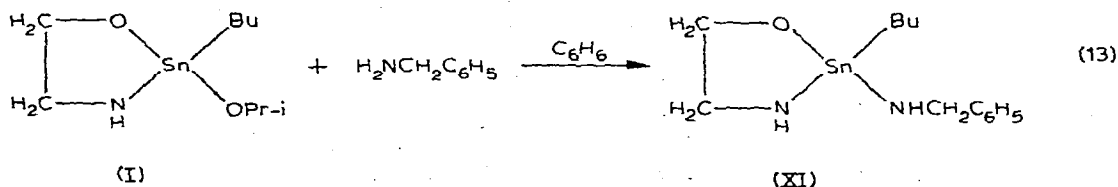
into reaction at higher temperatures, yielding *O,N*-stannyl derivatives, e.g., $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnOXNH}(\text{SnBu}_3)$ and $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnOXN}(\text{SnBu}_3)_2$. Dibutyltin diethoxide appears to be more reactive towards ethanolamine, and a cyclic derivative, $\text{Bu}_2\text{Sn}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH})$, is obtained in refluxing benzene [1]. However, with substituted ethanolamines, only the hydroxyl group appears to be reactive, yielding distillable derivatives [2] of the type $\text{Bu}_2\text{Sn}(\text{OEt})(\text{OXNH}_2)$ and $\text{Bu}_2\text{Sn}(\text{OXNH}_2)_2$. In contrast, butyltin triisopropoxide reacts exothermally at ambient temperatures even with substituted ethanolamines to give cyclic products or the type (I)-(III). Tin tetraisopropoxide also gives cyclic products with ethanolamine [1].

These observations indicate that the reactivity of alkyltin alkoxides towards amino groups of alkanolamines increases with increase in the number of alkoxy groups on tin:



It is reasonable to assume that with increasing number of electronegative alkoxy groups, the induced positive charge on the central tin atoms tends to make them more electrophilic, and also causes contraction of their diffused *d* orbitals, bringing about a greater overlap with the orbitals of donor nitrogen atoms of amino group, and thus assisting the attack by the latter.

The same order of reactivity has been found in the reactions of amines with alkyltin(IV) alkoxides. Trialkyltin and dialkyltin alkoxides do not appear to undergo replacement reactions on treatment with amines in refluxing benzene [7], whereas butyltin triisopropoxide [8], and tin tetraisopropoxide [1] react with primary amines under these conditions. The replaceability of the isopropoxy group of ethanolamine derivative of type (I) by benzylamine has also been demonstrated:



The greater strength of Sn—O and Sn—N bonds in the chelate derivative appears to make the tin atoms even more electrophilic, and increases the reactivity towards benzylamine.

IR spectra

The IR spectra of these derivatives have been recorded in the region $400\text{--}4000\text{ cm}^{-1}$. They show two bands, one near 1070 cm^{-1} of strong intensity, and one at about 1020 cm^{-1} , of rather low intensity, which may be assigned to the $\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{C—O})$ and $\nu_{\text{s}}(\text{C—O})$ stretching frequencies, respectively, of the alkanolamine system [2,3,12]. On the other hand, mixed derivatives containing both isopropoxy as well aminoalkoxy groups, show, in addition to above bands, a strong band near 980 cm^{-1} , which may also be assigned to the $\nu(\text{C—O})$ stretching frequency of the isopropoxy group. A similar band has been

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TABLE 1
REACTIONS OF BUTYL TIN TRIISOPROPOXIDE WITH ALKANOLAMINES

Alkanolamine	Molar ratio of reactants	Product ^d	Yield (%) [M.p. (°C)]	Analysis, found (calcd.)		Characteristic IR bands (cm ⁻¹)
				Sn	N	
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂	1/1	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NH)(OPr) ₂ ^c (White solid)	99 (92-96)	40.9 (40.4)	4.69 (4.77)	1072vs, 965-55w(b), 555vw, 600m(b), 555m, 515m, 480m
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂	1/2	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NH)(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NH) ₂ ^e (Pink solid changes to white on keeping)	98 (88-90)	39.7 (40.2)	9.40 (9.50)	1070vs, 1020sh, 655vw, 595-566w(b), 520w, 490-75w(b)
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂	2/3	[BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NH)] ₂ (OCH ₂ CH ₂ NH) ₂ ^c (White solid)	98 (98-100)	44.0 (44.9)	7.90 (7.94)	1080-1055vs(b), 1015sh, 660m, 595s(b), 520s(b), 465s(b)
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NHMe	1/1	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NMe)(OPr) ₂ (Yellow viscous liquid)	99	38.9 (38.5)	4.52 (4.55)	1065vs(b), 1010w, 980s(b), 670m, 590vs(b), 520s, 480s
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NHMe	1/2	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NMe)(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NHMe) (Yellow viscous liquid)	100	36.2 (36.8)	8.60 (8.68)	1075-1065vs(b), 1010m, 670m, 655w, 585s(b), 515m, 490s
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NHMe	1/3	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NHMe) ₃ (Yellow viscous liquid)	97	29.6 (29.8)	10.5 (10.6)	1070vs(b), 1010m, 670w, 600sh, 570m, 520w, 485m
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ NHMe	2/3	[BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ NMe)] ₂ (OCH ₂ CH ₂ NMe) (Yellow viscous liquid)	99	40.8 (41.6)	7.30 (7.36)	1065vs(b), 1015m, 665m, 595m, 505w, 485m
(HOCH ₂ CH ₂) ₂ NH	1/1	BuSn[(OCH ₂ CH ₂) ₂ NH](OPr) ₂ ^{c,e} (White solid)	98 (265-270)	34.5 (35.1)	4.10 (4.15)	1070vs, 1020s, 670sh, 660s, 600s, 565s, 520s, 460s
(HOCH ₂ CH ₂) ₂ NH	2/3	[BuSn[(OCH ₂ CH ₂) ₂ NH]] ₂ (OCH ₂ CH ₂ NH) ₂ ^{c,e} (White solid)	97 (178-182)	35.3 (35.9)	6.30 (6.36)	1068vs, 1045vs, 1015s, 665w, 590w, 562w, 545w, 518w
(HOCH ₂ CH ₂) ₃ N	1/1	BuSn[(OCH ₂ CH ₂) ₃ N] ^{c,f} (White solid)	99 (142-146)	36.6 (36.9)	4.33 (4.35)	
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂	1/1	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH)(OPr) ₂ ^c (White foamy solid)	98	39.1 (38.5)	4.49 (4.55)	1060vs(b), 1025sh, 978m, 660w, 600s, 565m, 525m, 475m(b)
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂	1/2	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH)(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH) ₂ (Low-melting solid)	97	36.3 (36.8)	8.58 (8.68)	1070-1055vs(b), 1020sh, 675m, 660m, 605s, 570s, 528s, 475s(b)
HOCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH ₂	2/3	BuSn[(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH)] ₂ (OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NH) ₂ ^c (White foamy low melting solid)	98	41.0 (41.6)	7.30 (7.36)	1075-1060vs(b), 1020sh, 660vw, 595w, 560w, 500sh

^cAll these products decomposed on attempted vacuum distillation. ^bRefer Table 2. ^cReaction was carried out at ambient temperature. ^dMol. wt. in refluxing benzene, found: polymer, calcd: 294. ^eCompound is moderately soluble in benzene. ^fMol. wt. in refluxing benzene, found: 508, calcd: 322.

TABLE 2
 REACTIONS OF BUTYL TIN TRISOPROXIDE WITH N, N-DIALKYLALKANOLAMINES (HOXNMe₂)

X in HOXNMe ₂	Molar ratio of reactants	Product	B.p. (°C/mm) [yield (%)]	Analysis found (calcd.)		M.wt. found (calcd.)	Characteristic IR bands (cm ⁻¹) ^a
				Sn	N		
CH ₂ CH ₂	1/1	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NMe ₂) ₂ (OPr-i) ₂ (Colourless liquid)	105-108/0.1 (63)	31.9 (31.1)	3.65 (3.67)	369 (382)	1075m, 1035m, 980vs, 660w, 590s, 495w
CH ₂ CH ₂	1/2	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NMe ₂) ₂ (OPr-i) (Colourless liquid)	125-30/0.3 (51)	29.3 (28.9)	6.70 (6.82)	402 (411)	1075sh, 1040vs, 1020sh, 975s, 665w, 595s, 495w
CH ₂ CH ₂	1/3	BuSn(OCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ NMe ₂) ₃ (Yellow liquid)	158-65/0.5 (68)	27.5 (27.0)	9.50 (9.55)	425 (420)	1098-1065vs(b), 1025sh, 665w(b), 600s(b), 500m(b)
CHMeCH ₂	1/1	BuSn(OCHMeCH ₂ NMe ₂) ₂ (OPr-i) ₂ (Colourless liquid)	98-100/0.1 (79)	29.5 (30.0)	3.50 (3.54)	389 (396)	1095s, 1020s, 980vs, 665w, 605-595s(b), 522w
CHMeCH ₂	1/2	BuSn(OCHMeCH ₂ NMe ₂) ₂ (OPr-i) (Colourless liquid)	118-20/0.1 (86)	27.3 (27.0)	6.30 (6.38)	445 (439)	1095vs, 1030s, 1020s, 980s, 665w, 595s, 520m, 490vw
CHMeCH ₂	1/3	BuSn(OCHMeCH ₂ NMe ₂) ₃ (Colourless liquid)	130-35/0.3 (63)	25.0 (24.6)	8.58 (8.72)	465 (482)	1095vs, 1080sh, 1032s, 665w, 595s, 520w

^a or the intensity of IR bands following abbreviations are used: vs = very strong, s = strong, m = medium, w = weak, sh = shoulder, (b) = broad. IR spectra of solid products were run in Nujol mull.

observed in RSn(OPr-i)_3 and RSn(OBu-t)_3 [8].

These derivatives also show 3 characteristic bands in the range $670\text{--}500\text{ cm}^{-1}$, which are considered to arise from various $\nu(\text{Sn--C})$ and $\nu(\text{Sn--O})$ stretchings. The band at $665 \pm 5\text{ cm}^{-1}$ may be assigned to (Sn--CH_2) rocking vibration arising from the *trans* conformation [13]. The bands at 595 ± 5 and $510 \pm 15\text{ cm}^{-1}$ may be ascribed to $\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{Sn--C})$ and $\nu_{\text{s}}(\text{Sn--C})$ stretching modes, respectively [14-16]. The band at $510 \pm 15\text{ cm}^{-1}$ could also be associated with $\nu(\text{Sn--O})$, and a clear differentiation cannot be made due to overlapping.

Table 1 gives reactions of butyltin triisopropoxide with alkanolamines, and Table 2 those reactions with *N,N*-dialkylalkanolamines.

Experimental

Rigorous precautions were taken to exclude moisture. Alkanolamines were distilled before use. BuSn(OPr-i)_3 was synthesised by the sodium method [8]. The $\text{BuSnO}_{3/2}$ was used as supplied as a gift from Nitto Kasei Co. Ltd., Japan. Molecular weights were determined in a semi-micro ebulliometer (Gallenkamp). IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin - Elmer 337 grating spectrophotometer.

Tin was estimated as SnO_2 . Nitrogen was estimated by the Kjeldahl method. Isopropanol in the azeotrope was estimated by an oxidimetric method [8].

(1). Reaction of BuSn(OPr-i)_3 with $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$ at ambient temperature (1/1 molar ratio)

A mixture of BuSn(OPr-i)_3 (2.13 g, 6.03 mmole) and $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$ (0.37 g, 6.06 mmole) in ca. 10 ml benzene reacted exothermically. The mixture was set aside at room temperature for ca. 5-6 h, and the excess of the solvent was then removed in vacuum. The product was obtained after drying as white solid (2.11 g, 99%), which decomposed on vacuum distillation (m.p. $92\text{--}96^\circ$). (Found: N, 4.69; Sn, 40.9; mol. wt., polymer. $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_2\text{Sn}$ calcd.: N, 4.77; Sn, 40.4%; mol. wt., 294.)

The products obtained from the analogous reactions of BuSn(OPr-i)_3 with $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$, $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$, $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NHMe}$, $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_2\text{NH}$ and $(\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_3\text{N}$ in different molar ratios are summarised in Table 1.

(2). Reaction of BuSn(OPr-i)_3 with $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$ in refluxing *m*-xylene (1/1 molar ratio)

To BuSn(OPr-i)_3 (2.27 g, 6.43 mmole) was added $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$ (0.39 g, 6.40 mmole) in *m*-xylene (ca. 80 ml). The mixture was refluxed (bath temperature $180\text{--}90^\circ$) for ca. 6 h and the isopropanol liberated was fractionated very slowly with solvent. About 50 ml more *m*-xylene was added and the mixture was again refluxed for ca. 2 h (any isopropanol left was fractionated out) to ensure the completion of the reaction. During the fractionation a brown solid separated. The excess of solvent was distilled off, and the residue was dried under reduced pressure at $70\text{--}75^\circ/0.2\text{ mm}$ bath temperature to give a brown insoluble solid (1.50 g, 100%) (Wt. of isopropanol in distillate; found: 1.08 g, calcd. (for 3 mole): 1.16 g). (Found: N, 5.95; Sn, 49.7; $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{13}\text{NOSn}$ calcd.: N, 5.99; Sn, 50.7%.)

(3). *Reaction of BuSn(OPr-i)₃ with HOCH₂CH₂NMe₂ (1/1 molar ratio)*

A mixture of BuSn(OPr-i)₃ (2.51 g, 7.11 mmole) and HOCH₂CH₂NMe₂ (0.63 g, 7.08 mmole) in benzene (ca. 80 ml) was refluxed (bath temperature 120-25°) for ca. 2 h, and the binary azeotrope (isopropanol/benzene) was very slowly fractionated out. The excess of solvent was distilled out, and the product was dried in vacuum. Distillation under reduced pressure gave a colourless liquid (1.71 g, 63%) b.p. 105-108°/0.1 mm (Wt. of isopropanol in azeotrope; found: 0.43 g, calcd.: 0.43 g). (Found: N, 3.65; Sn, 31.9; mol. wt., 369. C₁₄H₃₃NO₃Sn calcd.: N, 3.67; Sn, 31.1%; mol. wt., 382.)

(4). *Reaction of BuSnO_{3/2} with HOCH₂CH₂NHMe (1/1 molar ratio)*

To a suspension of BuSnO_{3/2} (2.42 g, 12.1 mmole) in benzene (ca. 60 ml) was added HOCH₂CH₂NHMe (0.91 g, 12.1 mmole). The reaction mixture was refluxed (bath temperature 115-120°) for ca. 3 h, and the binary azeotrope (water/benzene) was continuously fractionated out. Distillation of the remaining solvent and drying of the residue under reduced pressure gave a white foamy low melting solid (3.05 g, 98%) (Found: N, 5.40; Sn, 46.9; C₁₄H₃₂N₂O₃Sn₂ calcd.: N, 5.45; Sn, 46.2%). It underwent decomposition on attempted vacuum distillation.

(5). *Reaction of BuSnO_{3/2} with HOCH₂CH₂NHMe (2/3 molar ratio)*

Similarly, from a suspension of BuSnO_{3/2} (2.15 g, 10.8 mmole) in benzene (ca. 70 ml) and HOCH₂CH₂NHMe (1.21 g, 16.1 mmole), with azeotropic removal of water and final drying in vacuum, a yellow viscous liquid (2.99 g, 97%) was obtained. (Found: N, 7.31; Sn, 42.2; C₁₇H₃₉N₃O₃Sn calcd.: N, 7.36; Sn, 41.6%.)

(6). *Reaction of BuSnO_{3/2} with (HOCH₂CH₂)₃N (1/1 molar ratio)*

Similarly, a suspension of BuSnO_{3/2} (2.08 g, 10.4 mmole) in benzene (ca. 60 ml) and (HOCH₂CH₂)₃N (1.55 g, 10.4 mmole) gave a white solid (3.12 g, 93%). Found: N, 4.29; Sn, 36.5; C₁₀H₂₁NO₃Sn calcd.: N, 4.35; Sn, 36.9%.)

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