

# CHARACTERIZATION & BIOLOGICAL STUDIES OF ORGANOTIN(IV) COMPLEXES WITH TRIS[(HYDROXYMETHYL)AMINOMETHANE] LIGANDS

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## INTRODUCTION

Metal complexes have been successfully used in the treatment of numerous human diseases including cancer. Among these metal complexes, organotin(IV) have been widely studied for their biological activities. *Tris*(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane (TRIS) and its Schiff base derivatives are known to have a broad spectrum of biological activities including antitumour, antibiotic, anticancer, antihistamine, antifungal, anti-inflammatory, etc. In the present studies, several ligands were prepared by reacting TRIS with substituted salicylaldehydes. As the ligands are found to have potential biological activities, it is our objectives to focus on the investigation of the structural features and biological properties of the prepared diorganotin(IV) complexes. The *in vitro* cytotoxic activity of the ligands and complexes had been evaluated against several cancer cell-lines, namely HT-29, SKOV-3 and MCF-7.

## EXPERIMENTAL AND RESULTS

Scheme 1: Preparation of TRIS diorganotin(IV) complexes

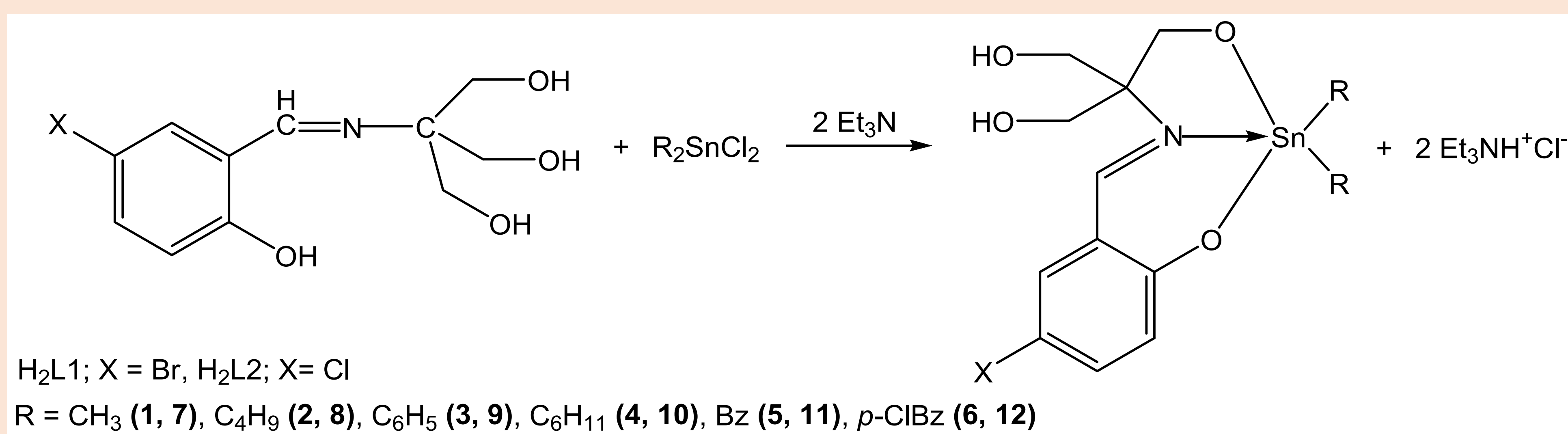
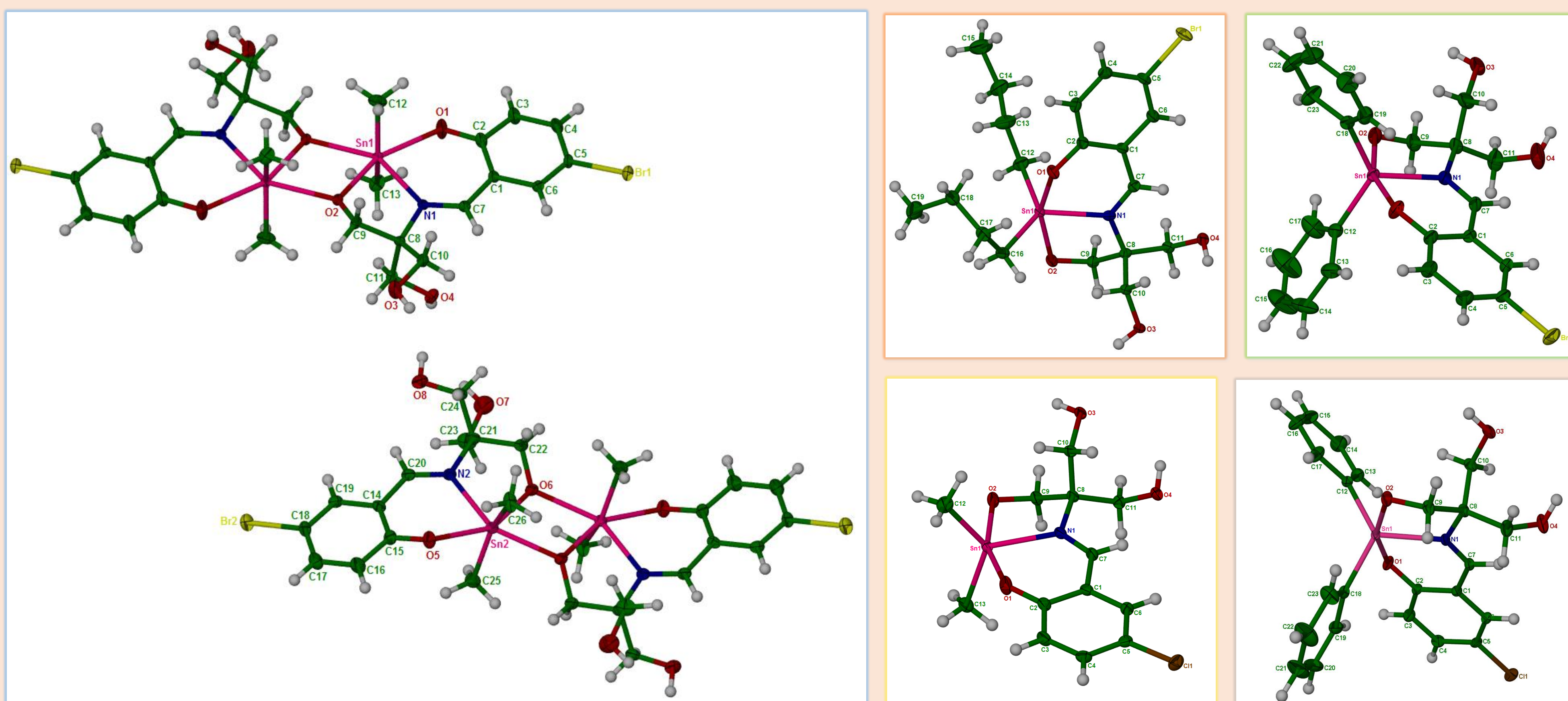


Table 1: Cytotoxic activity of TRIS ligands and complexes

Compound	Cell lines ( $\text{IC}_{50} \text{ mg ml}^{-1}$ ) <sup>a</sup>		
	HT-29	MCF-7	SKOV-3
<i>Cisplatin</i>	5.0 ± 0	2.4 ± 0.6	1.4 ± 0
H <sub>2</sub> L1	> 100	> 100	83.3 ± 0.8
1	> 100	> 100	72.3 ± 0.3
2	35.3 ± 0.6	6.7 ± 0.1	5.7 ± 0.1
3	34.7 ± 0.6	27.7 ± 0.3	5.6 ± 0.1
4	7.1 ± 0.3	3.6 ± 0.2	5.7 ± 0.1
5	> 100	> 100	> 100
6	> 100	> 100	> 100
H <sub>2</sub> L2	> 100	> 100	100 ± 0
7	> 100	> 100	> 100
8	8.2 ± 0.2	2.2 ± 1.2	5.6 ± 0.1
9	41 ± 1	7.9 ± 0.1	5.7 ± 0
10	4.6 ± 0.1	8.2 ± 0.2	5.4 ± 0.1
11	> 100	> 100	> 100
12	> 100	> 100	> 100

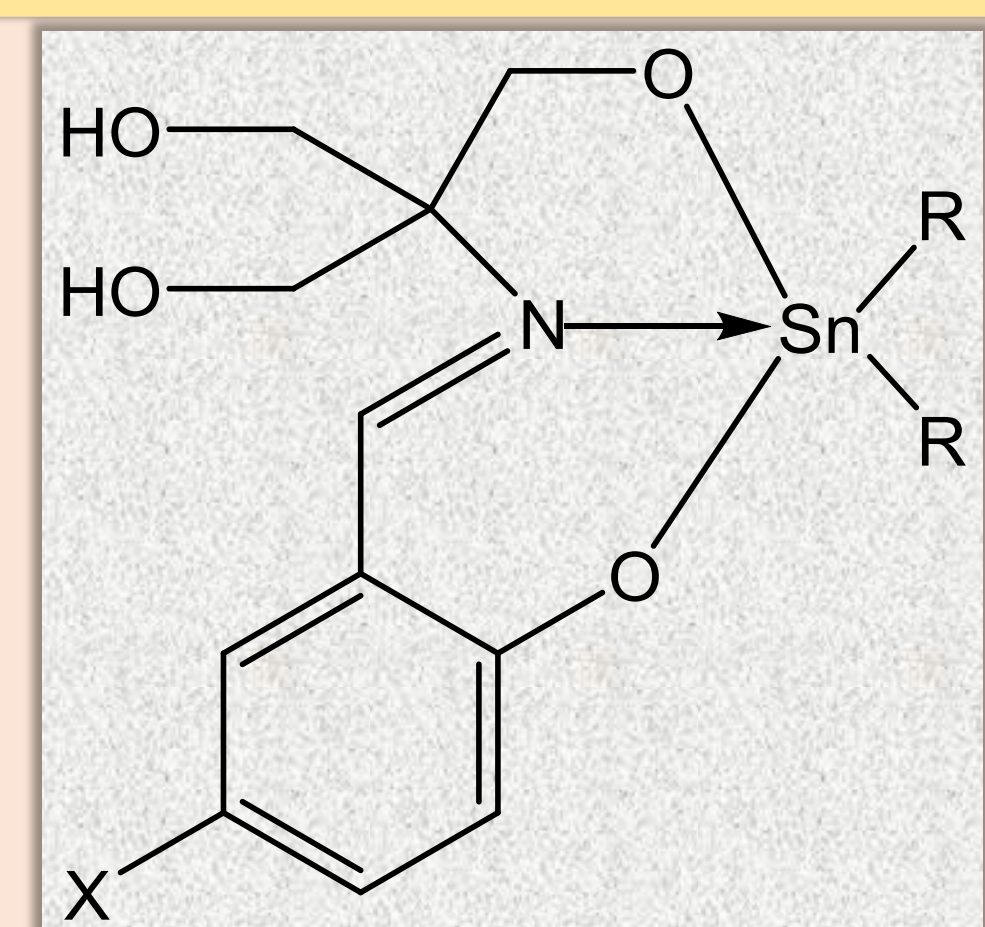
<sup>a</sup>  $\text{IC}_{50}$  values ( $\mu\text{g ml}^{-1}$ ) = inhibition concentration at 50% i.e., the concentration to reduce growth of cancer cells by 50%

Diagram: Structures of selected TRIS diorganotin(IV) complexes

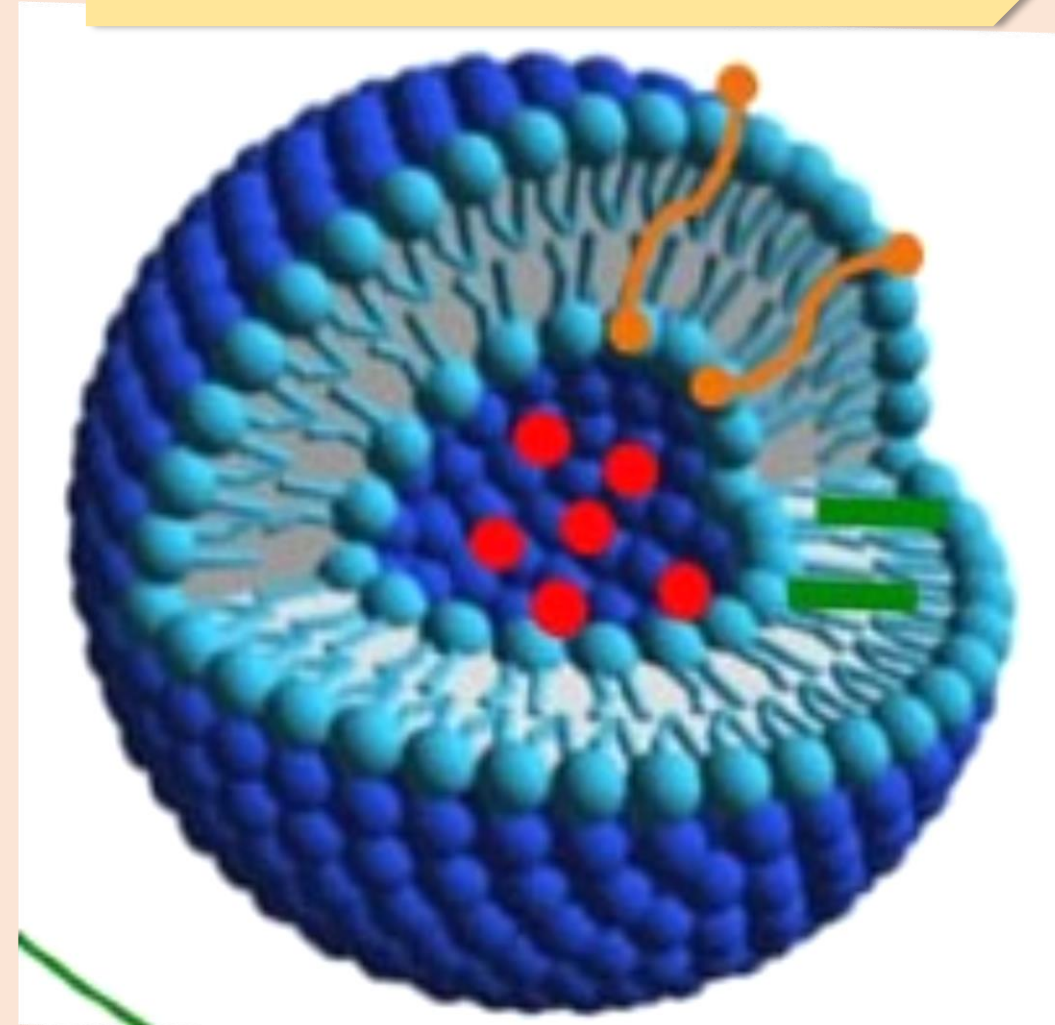


## ONGOING WORK

### Potential Anticancer Drugs



### Encapsulation



### Drug delivery

Percentage of drug encapsulation (%EE) & drug loading (%DL)

### Pharmaceutical



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