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Supramolecular organotin tris-carboxylates: crystal and molecular structure of $[Cy_2NH_2]_2[1-Me_3(H_2O)SnOCO-3,5-(OOC)_2C_6H_3]$ ·EtOH

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Abstract

The crystal and molecular structure of $[Cy_2NH_2]_2[C_6H_3(CO_2)_3$ SnMe₃·H₂O]·CH₃CH₂OH (1) has been determined by single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis. In this compound, the tin atom is pentacoordinated by three methyl groups, one oxygen atom of a water molecule and one oxygen atom deriving from the tris-carboxylato ligand, in a *trans*-coordinated O_2SnC_3 environment. The dicyclohexylammonium cations are involved in intermolecular hydrogen bonds with the noncoordinated oxygen atoms of the carboxylate, while, along with hydrogen bonds involving water and ethanol, gives rise to a complex 3D lattice structure.

Keywords: carboxylate; organotin; supramolecular; X-ray.

Introduction

Resulting from the various applications of organotin(IV) compounds (Ayrey and Poller, 1980; Evans and Karpel, 1985; Alvarez Boo et al., 2006), our groups have been involved in seeking new organo- and halotin(IV) molecules and have reported several papers in this area (Diassé-Sarr et al., 1997, 2004; Diop et al., 2003; Diallo et al., 2009). We have initiated a study of the reactions between salts of a tri-carboxylic acid $[C_6H_3(CO_2)_3 \cdot (Cy_2NH_2)_3]$ and SnMe₃Cl to explore the supramolecular structures of the resulting compounds. Here, we report the title compound, the structure of which has been determined by single crystal X-ray diffraction analysis.

Results and discussion

The structure (Figure 1) consists of a central benzene-1,3,5tricarboxylato tri-anion monocoordinating a single $SnMe_3$ residue, the metal linked to a water molecule in axial position generating a *trans*-trigonal bipyramidal O_2SnC_3 environment; charge balance is achieved through the presence of two $[Cy_2NH_2]^+$ cations. The carboxylate bonded to tin is monodentate, reflected in two markedly different C – O bond lengths $[C(1)-O(1) \ 1.294(2), \ C(1)-O(2) \ 1.230(2) \ \text{Å}]$ and an Sn(1)–O(2) separation of >3.2 Å. There is less disparity in the C–O bonds of the two remaining carboxylates [e.g., $C(8)-O(5) \ 1.267(2); \ C(8)-O(6) \ 1.246(2) \ \text{Å}]$, both of which are involved in N–H…O hydrogen bonds.

Selected bond lengths [Å] and angle (°): Sn - C(10) 2.116(2); Sn - C(11) 2.120(2); Sn - C(12) 2.1276(19), Sn - O(1) 2.1631(12); Sn - O(7) 2.3747(13) Å; C(10) - Sn - C(11) 123.27(11); C(10) - Sn - C(12) 119.32(9); C(11) - Sn - C(12) 116.34(10); C(10) - Sn - O(1) 94.71(7); C(11) - Sn - O(1) 94.63(8); C(12) - Sn - O(1) 88.72(6); C(10) - Sn - O(7) 85.76(7); C(11) - Sn - O(7) 88.02(8); C(12) - Sn - O(7) 85.90(6); $O(1) - Sn - O(7) 174.06(5)^{\circ}$. Symmetry operations: 'x-1/2, -y-1/2, 1/2+z; "1-x, -y, 2-z; "'1/2-x, -y-1/2, z-1/2.

The lattice structure of **1** (Figure 2) involves a complex pattern of hydrogen bonds. Each cation is linked to a carbonyl oxygen through each of its hydrogen atoms, e.g., N(1)-H(1A) and N(1)-H(IB), both link to O(5) at relatively short distances [N(1)...O(5): 2.814(2), 2.778(2) Å], along with a weaker hydrogen bond from one of the centers, e.g., N(1)-H(1A)...O(6), N(1)...O(6): 3.323(2) Å; an analogous pattern is repeated at N(2). The water molecule hydrogen bonds through H(7A) to another carbonyl oxygen [O(3)] and the ethanol [O(8)], while the latter hydrogen bonds through H(8) to the remaining carbonyl group, O(6). Thus, the carbonyl groups most weakly hydrogen bonded to the ammonium cations [O(3), O(6)] are involved in stronger hydrogen bonds to either water or ethanol.

Experimental

 $[C_6H_3(CO_2)_3$ ·(Cy₂NH₂)₃] is obtained on neutralizing benzene-1,2,3tricarboxylic acid with Cy₂NH in water in 1:3 ratio; a white powder is collected after a solvent evaporation at 60°C. When an aqueous solution of $[C_6H_3(CO_2)_3(Cy_2NH_2)_3]$ is mixed with ethanolic solution of SnMe₃Cl in 1:1 ratio, a clear solution is obtained and stirred for no less than 2 h. When submitted to a slow solvent evaporation, this solution yields crystals suitable for an X-ray study. All the chemicals were purchased from Aldrich (Germany) and used without any further purification.

Crystal structure

A crystal of approximate dimensions $0.25 \times 0.25 \times 0.20$ mm was used for data collection. Data were collected at 150(2) K using



Figure 1 The structure of compound **1** showing both the asymmetric unit and the formation of a supramolecular lattice based on NH...OC hydrogen bonds.

Mo- k_{α} radiation (λ =0.71073 Å); full details of the crystallographic experiment are given in Table 1. Refinement was fullmatrix least-squares based on F², the absorption correction was semi-empirical from equivalents. In the final cycles of least-

Table 1 Crystal data and structure refinement.

Empirical formula: C ₃₈ H ₆₈ N ₂ O ₈ Sn
Formula weight: 799.63
Crystal system: Monoclinic
Space group: P 21/n
a(Å): 14.19980 (10); b(Å): 20.0718 (2); c(Å): 15.45080 (10);
$\alpha(^{\circ})$: 90; $\beta(^{\circ})$: 109.7390 (10); $\gamma(^{\circ})$: 90; V(Å): 4144.96 (6)°;
Z: $4\rho_{cole}(mg/m^3)$: 1.281
μ (Mo- k_{α})(mm ⁻¹): 0.665°
F(000): 1696
Reflections collected: 112°643
Independent reflections: 12°017 [R(int) =0.0615]
Reflections observed (>2 sigma): 9613
Absorption correction: Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission: 0.8785, 0.8514
Refinement method: full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Goodness-of-fit on F@2: 1.061
Final R indices [I >2 sigma(I)]: 0.0324, 0.0694
R indices (all data): 0.0492, 0.0769
Largest diff. peak and hole (e Å-3): 0.789 and -0.857
Program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 1990);
SHELXS97(Sheldrick, 1997);
CCDC deposition number: 826325

squares refinement all non-hydrogen atoms were allowed to vibrate anisotropically. Hydrogen atoms when included at calculated positions were relevant, except for those of the NH_2 , EtOH and H_2O groups which were located in the difference map and refined. The structure was solved and refined using the WinGX-1.70 suite of programs (Farrugia, 1999).



Figure 2 The lattice structure of 1 showing intermolecular hydrogen bonds (dotted lines). Hydrogen bond data.

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