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MOSSBAUER SPECTROSCOPY OF ORGANOMETALLICS:
STRUCTURE AND BONDING IN ORGANOTIN (IV) DITHIOCARBAMATES

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ABSTRACT

A number of organotin (IV)diethyldithiocarbamate and related compounds have been examined by ^{119}Sn Mossbauer and infrared spectroscopy. The two sulfur atom containing monovalent anionic ligand is found to act as an anisobidentate moiety in a number of these compounds, with one strong and one weak bonding interaction between the metal atom and the nearest neighbor sulfur atoms accounting for the observed spectroscopic properties. From isomer shift-electronegativity systematics a group electronegativity of ~ 5.7 on the Mulliken-Jaffe scale is deduced for alkyl groups bonded to Sn (IV). From the temperature dependence of the recoil-free fraction and the Gol'danskii-Karyagin asymmetry in $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}[\text{S}_2\text{CN}(\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2]_2$ it is concluded that this compound is monomeric with an essentially isotropic amplitude of vibration of the metal atom in the temperature range $78 < T < 150^\circ\text{K}$. Proton nuclear magnetic resonance data for this compound are consistent with the anisobidentate nature of the sulfur bonded ligand in this compound.

I. INTRODUCTION

Because of their unusual magnetic properties, the dithiocarbamate complexes of the transition metals have received a good deal of attention in recent years,¹ and a number of x-ray diffraction studies of such compounds has been reported.² In general, the monovalent anionic ligand acts as a bidentate moiety in these species in the solid state, with two equivalent (or nearly equivalent) metal-sulfur bond distances being observed. In the bisdithiocarbamate complexes of Fe(III) and Co(II), the four sulfur atoms form the base of a rectangular pyramid, while the metal atom sits ~ 0.5 to 0.6 Å above the basal plane. The ligands are essentially planar out to the alkyl groups attached to the nitrogen atom, and can be described in terms of a carbon-nitrogen double bond.

A rather different bonding situation obtains in the case of trimethyltin (IV) dithiocarbamate for which x-ray data of both the orthorhombic and monoclinic crystal modification have been reported.³ In these two cases - which involve essentially identical molecular configurations - the methyldithiocarbamate ligand interacts with the metal primarily through a single Sn-S bond of normal covalent length (2.47 ± 0.01 Å), with a second considerably weaker interaction through a long (3.16 ± 0.01 Å) Sn-S bond. The C-Sn-C bond angles in the trimethyl tin fragment of the molecule are approximately tetrahedral, ranging from 100 ± 1 to $119 \pm 1^\circ$ in the two cases reported.

In view of the structural and bonding information which can be derived from ¹¹⁹Sn Mossbauer effect studies, it was decided to examine a series of Sn(IV) dithiocarbamate complexes, and to relate

the systematics of such an investigation to the information derivable from more conventional spectroscopies. An earlier study by Fitzsimmons⁴ had shown that anomalous quadrupole splitting values are observed for compounds of the type R_2SnL_2 (R = alkyl or phenyl, L = methyl, ethyl or phenyl dithiocarbamate). A more detailed Mossbauer spectroscopic study of 32 organotin dithiocarbamates has recently been reported by May, Petridis and Curran⁵ who assign a bidentate function to the ligand and assign a cis octahedral configuration to diphenyltin (IV) dithiocarbamates and a trans octahedral configuration to dibutyl and dimethyltin (IV) dithiocarbamates, irrespective of the nature of the organic groups bonded to the ligand nitrogen atom.

The present work was undertaken to explore in a more detailed fashion the structures of organotin (IV) dithiocarbamate complexes, to elucidate the bonding character of the two ligand sulfur atoms to the metal center in these compounds, and to explore the Mossbauer parameter systematics in these materials.

II. EXPERIMENTAL

Preparation of the complexes: $Sn XY(dtc)_2$: The $X=Y=Cl, Br, I$ complexes were prepared according to literature methods from SnX_4 and commercially available $Na(dtc) \cdot 3H_2O$ in ethanol/chloroform solution. Impure samples of the corresponding fluorine complex ($X=Y=F$) were prepared from SnF_4 and gave consistent infrared and Mossbauer spectra, but poor analytical results. On purification, only the sodium salt of the free ligand could be recovered. The experimental data obtained for the crude product $SnF_2(dtc)_2$ sample

are indicated by parentheses in the data summaries below. An attempted synthesis of the fluorine complex from AgF and $\text{SnI}_2(\text{dtc})_2$ was unsuccessful. The X=Y=dtc complex was obtained from freshly prepared dithiocarbamate and an ethanol solution of SnCl_4 .⁶ The $\text{X=Y=C}_6\text{H}_5$, CH_3 , C_3H_7 , iC_4H_9 and nC_4H_9 compounds were synthesized from SnX_2Cl_2 and $\text{Na}(\text{dtc}) \cdot 3\text{H}_2\text{O}$ in ethanol solution by a method similar to the $\text{Sn}(\text{CH}_3)_2(\text{dtc})_2$ preparation reported earlier.⁷ The complexes X=Cl , Y=CH_3 , nC_4H_9 , C_6H_5 and X=Br , $\text{Y=nC}_4\text{H}_9$ were prepared according to the method of Honda *et al.*,⁸ and this method was also used in the preparation of $\text{SnX}_2\text{Y}(\text{dtc})$ from SnX_2Cl_2 . The preparation of $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_3\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})$ and $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})\text{Cl}$ has been described by Kupchik and Calabretta.⁹

The identity of the products of the synthetic procedures has been confirmed from their infra-red spectra and elemental analysis: [Typical results $\text{Sn}(\text{et}_2\text{dtc})_2$: C 28.66 (28.92), H 4.67 (4.85), N 6.57 (6.75), S 30.59 (30.88); $(\text{C}_3\text{H}_7)_2\text{Sn}(\text{et}_2\text{dtc})_2$: C 38.71 (38.33) H 6.54 (6.83), the calculated value being given in parentheses] Mossbauer measurements: The Mossbauer parameters were extracted from spectra taken with a constant acceleration spectrometer of the BTL type described earlier,¹⁰ using a barium stannate source at room temperature. The spectrometer was calibrated periodically using the four inner lines of the magnetic hyperfine spectrum of ⁵⁷Fe in NBS standard reference material 99.99% metallic iron,¹¹ 0.8 mil thick which gives an uncorrected line width of about 0.23 mm/sec. All isomer shifts are referred to the center of a room temperature BaSnO_3 - BaSnO_3 spectrum, and are directly comparable (to

better than ± 0.005 mm/sec., well within the experimental errors quoted in the present paper) to room temperature SnO_2 isomer shifts, as well as to liquid nitrogen BaSnO_3 isomer shifts. Routine samples were mounted as thin layers of microcrystalline powders, sandwiched between aluminum foils, using a standard copper sample holder which attaches directly to the copper cold-finger of a liquid nitrogen dewar, the temperature of which was monitored using a calibrated thermocouple. The temperature dependent Mossbauer parameters were obtained using a liquid helium variable temperature dewar, the temperature of which could be monitored using a platinum and carbon resistance thermometers and a copper constantan thermocouple. The Mossbauer data were either analyzed manually using a statistical curve fitting procedure, or data reduction was effected using a computer program which assumes a Lorentzian line shape and treats line position, intensity and width as independent parameters in a multiple iteration least squares fitting procedure. In excess of 5×10^5 counts were scaled per channel in these spectra. Infrared measurements and related spectroscopies: I.R. spectra were recorded using a Perkin-Elmer 225 spectrometer at ambient temperature. Samples were mounted as ~0.8% by weight in KBr pellets. The tin sulfur band region (200 to 500 cm^{-1}) was scanned at speeds of $\sim 10 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ min}^{-1}$ and showed no deterioration of the samples with time. Proton nmr spectra were recorded using a Varian T-60 spectrometer on CCl_4 or D_3CCOCD_3 solution, using TMS as an internal standard. Both ir and nmr measurements were made at room temperature.

III. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The numerical parameters extracted from the liquid nitrogen temperature Mossbauer spectra are summarized in Table I and a representative spectrum is shown in Figure 1. For those compounds for which a direct comparison is possible, the present data are in satisfactory agreement with the earlier values reported by Curran *et al.*⁵, despite the rather different method used for spectrometer calibration in the two studies. The spectra of the dialkyltin(IV) bisdithiocarbamates, the monoalkyl (or aryl) tin bisdithiocarbamate halides and dialkyl tin monodithiocarbamate tin halides consist of well resolved doublets indicating a lack of cubic symmetry of the charge distribution around the metal atom in these compounds. In contrast, the spectra of the tin bisdithiocarbamate dihalide compounds (6-9) as well as those of the tetrakis methyl - and ethyl dithiocarbamate compounds (18,19) consist - as a first approximation - of a single resonance maxima, indicative of cubic (or nearly cubic) charge distribution symmetry around the metal atom. A more detailed examination of the line widths observed for the four dihalide compounds (6-9) shows a systematic increase in the line width (full width at half maximum) as the electronegativity of the halogen increases from I $\rightarrow$ F, indicative of an increasing unresolved quadrupole hyperfine interaction involving the metal atoms in these compounds.

(a) Isomer Shift Systematics in $\text{Sn}(\text{dte})_2\text{XY}$: The isomer shifts observed in the spectra of these compounds, all of which fall well within the range characteristic of Sn(IV) species, vary

in a systematic manner with the donor properties of the ligands attached to the metal atom. An early observation¹² concerning the isomer shift systematics of Sn(IV) compounds was that in the case of tetrahedral tetrahalogen complexes there is a linear relationship between the isomer shift (I.S.) and the ligand electronegativity (χ_L). Subsequently this observation was extended^{13,14} to both the simple and mixed octahedral hexahalogen compounds which show a very similar relationship between the two parameters. Moreover, although the absolute values for the I.S. parameter for corresponding tetrahedral SnX_4 and octahedral SnX_6 differ significantly $d(\text{I.S.})/d\chi_L$ is essentially the same for the two series of compounds. By using the χ_L values for the monoatomic halogen ligands to calibrate the isomer shift-electronegativity correlation, it is possible to use these systematics to estimate group electronegativities for polyatomic ligands, and this method has been used previously¹⁵ to estimate χ_L for the pseudohalogen ligands N_3^- , SCN^- , CN^- and NCO^- . The data reported in the present study (Table 1) permit an extension of these correlations to achieve an estimate of the group electronegativity of alkyl and aryl groups bonded to an Sn(IV)(dtc)_2 moiety as shown in Figure 2. The isomer shift electronegativity correlation can be calibrated using the Mulliken-Jaffee valence state electronegativity values¹⁶ for the monoatomic halogen ligands (filled circles) and extrapolating these data for the compounds of the type $\text{Sn(dtc)}_2 \text{X}_2$ (X=halogen, alkyl) to encompass the isomer shift values for the dialkyl derivatives. From such an extrapolation the values $\chi_{\text{CH}_3} = \chi_{\text{nBu}} = 5.70$, and $\chi_{\text{iBu}} = 5.65$ are obtained.

There are two qualitative checks on the validity of this procedure. The first of these is one of internal consistency since the data points for the mixed compounds of the type $\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})_2\text{XY}$ ($\text{X}=\text{halogen}$, $\text{Y}=\text{alkyl}$) fall nearly on the linear correlation plot when the observed isomer shift is plotted against the average X,Y electronegativity. Secondly, the methyl group electronegativity extracted from the Mossbauer data can be compared with that extracted from pertinent infrared data, specifically the asymmetric methyl stretching frequency for compounds of the type $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{SnX}$ ($\text{X} = \text{halogen}$, CH_3 , etc.). A plot of the difference between the $\nu_{\text{CH}_3 \text{ asym}}$ for tetramethyltin and the corresponding frequency for $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{SnX}$ is plotted against the Mulliken-Jaffee electronegativity in Figure 3. The group electronegativity for CH_3 extracted from these data is 6.24 in reasonable agreement with the value extracted from the Mossbauer data. Similarly, $\chi_{\text{C}_6\text{H}_5}$ is seen to be ~7.5 from the Mossbauer data and ~7.0 from the infrared results. This modest agreement is only indicative of the fact that changes in the isomer shift, infrared frequency and group electronegativity are all manifestations of the changes in s-electron population (and concomittant changes in the 5p population by hybridization of the orbitals) of the tin ligand bond due to changes in covalency, and no greater quantitative character of the electronegativity parameter should be read into these correlations.

(b) Quadrupole Splitting Systematics in $\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})_2 \text{XY}$: As noted above, the Mossbauer resonance spectra of the compounds in which $\text{X}=\text{Y}=\text{I}$, Br , Cl or F consist of systematically broadened single

maxima, consistent with either a tetrahedral or octahedral configuration corresponding to the action of the dithiocarbamate ligand as a monodentate or bidentate moiety, respectively. On the basis of these data, no conclusions concerning the stereochemistry (coordination number) of the metal atom can be drawn. Such evidence is, however, available from the data for the compounds in which $X=Y=\text{alkyl}$, which show well resolved quadrupole splittings in the range $2.82 < \frac{1}{2} e^2 q Q < 3.04$ mm/sec. From the extensive data compilation available in the literature (see for example that by Zuckerman¹⁷ or by Gol'danskii *et al.*¹⁸) it is seen that for octahedral trans dialkyl tin (IV) compounds having axial symmetry such as $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{SnF}_2$, $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{NCS})_2$, $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{acac})_2$, etc., for which the configurational assignment is based on unambiguous x-ray diffraction data, the observed quadrupole splittings lie in the range $3.5 < \frac{1}{2} e^2 q Q < 4.6$ mm/sec. On the other hand, the corresponding cis compounds result in resonance spectra for which $1.5 < \frac{1}{2} e^2 q Q < 2.2$ mm/sec., in agreement with the predictions of the point-charge model which show that $Q.S. (\text{trans}) = 2 Q.S. (\text{cis})$. Clearly the observed quadrupole splittings for the dialkyltin bis(dithiocarbamates) are smaller than those observed for axially symmetric trans octahedral complexes of the type $R_2\text{SnX}_4$ and larger than those observed for the analogous cis configurations. The other geometry which suggests itself is that of a distorted tetrahedral configuration in which the two dithiocarbamate ligands act as unidentate moieties with a single tin sulfur sigma bond, leaving the second sulfur atom in each ligand in a non-bonding orientation. Such a structure can, however, be ruled out on the

basis of recent data¹⁹ on dialkyltin (IV) bis thiols obtained in this laboratory. The observed quadrupole splittings for $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{SCH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$, $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{SC}_{12}\text{H}_{25})_2$ and $(\text{C}_4\text{H}_9)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{SC}_{12}\text{H}_{25})_2$ are 1.65, 1.59 and 1.58 mm/sec. respectively at -80°K , and it is concluded that this magnitude of the Q.S. parameter is properly associated with a distorted tetrahedral structure for dialkyltin compounds having two tin-sulfur sigma bonds.

Returning now to the bonding action of the dithiocarbamate ligand, the present data can be understood in terms of two different tin sulfur interactions per ligand: one of these is a normal tin sulfur sigma bond involving a tin-sulfur distance of $\sim 2.5 \text{ \AA}$, while the other sulfur atom is located at $\sim 3 \text{ \AA}$ from the metal atom and reflects a considerably weaker bonding interaction between the metal and the ligand. Under these conditions it is probable that the C-Sn-C bond angle will depart significantly from 180° and C_{2v} symmetry no longer obtains in these compounds. This behavior is to be contrasted with the bidentate nature of the ligand-transition metal interaction in which two essentially equivalent metal sulfur bond lengths (and hence bonding interactions) have been reported.

The anisobidentate (from the Greek meaning unequal, and referring to the interaction between a metal and a bidentate ligand having two identical atoms involved in unequal bonding situations) character of the dtc ligand is also evident from the infrared spectra of these compounds, as shown in Figure 4. In addition to the characteristic Sn-S stretching frequency at about 380 cm^{-1} , the spectra of both the X=Y=alkyl and X=Y=halogen compounds show the characteristic infrared bands assigned to the C=S stretching fre-

quency at $\sim 985 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ and a ligand mode at $\sim 909 \text{ cm}^{-1}$. While the Sn-S vibrational frequency is dependent on the nature of the other ligands attached to the metal atom, the C=S and ligand modes in the $900\text{-}1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ region are relatively insensitive to changes in the other ligands attached to the metal atom.

Both the isomer shift parameter and the Sn-S vibrational frequency reflect the charge density around the metal atom, and it is thus not too surprising that there is a reasonably linear correlation of these two parameters not only with each other (Figure 5) but with the electronegativity of the X and Y ligands as is inferred from the isomer shift systematics referred to above (Figure 6). From this latter figure it is seen that $d\nu/d\chi$ is positive, indicating that as the halogen becomes more electronegative and thus stabilizes a larger positive charge on the metal atom, the tin sulfur vibrational frequency shifts to higher values as the chalcogen atom transfers more of its charge to the metal atom.

Finally, in the context of the anisobidentate action of the dtc ligand in the dialkyltin (IV) compounds, it is interesting to note that the quadrupole splitting observed for $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})_2$ is only 1.74 mm/sec . (see Table 1), consistent with the values for the diphenyl-, dibenzyl- and dibutyl-dithiocarbamate complexes of diphenyltin (IV) reported by Fitzsimmons,⁴ as well as the data reported by Parish and Platt²⁰ in their review of isomer shift systematics in substituted organotin (IV) compounds. As noted above these values are very close to those observed¹⁹ for dialkyltin (IV) compounds in which there are two tin sulfur sigma bonds leading to a distorted tetrahedral configuration about the metal atom. It

should be noted, however, that the Q.S. observed for $(C_6H_5)_2 Sn(dtc)_2$ is close to one half that observed for the analogous dialkyltin (IV) species, and may thus be indicative of a cis configuration of the two aryl groups, since a point-charge model calculation demands $Q.S. (cis) = \frac{1}{2} Q.S. (trans)$ if all bond distances and angles remain invariant under the symmetry change. It is clear from the present results that the interaction between the metal atom and the two sulfur atoms of the ligand moiety involves two rather different orbital overlaps, and it is not surprising that the anisobidentate nature of the ligand leads to a quadrupole interaction which approaches that due to a distorted tetrahedral diaryltin (IV) (sulfur bonded ligand)₂ structure.

Further support for the structure of the dimethyltin (IV) bis dithiocarbamate can be inferred from the nuclear magnetic resonance data summarized in Table 2. As expected, the methylene protons of the ligand ethyl group are more sensitive to variations in the nature of the metal ligand bond than are the methyl protons of the ligand. The chemical shift of the CH_2 protons lies intermediate between that observed for the sodium salt of the ligand (in which the C=S bond is preserved and the ligand acts as a monodentate entity) and that observed for the nickel (II) complex (in which the ligand is acting as a symmetrical bidentate moiety with two essentially equal metal sulfur interactions). Again, these data support the anisobidentate nature of the dithiocarbamate ligand in the organotin compound. It should be noted, however, that these data refer to solution (rather than neat solid) species, and that at the present time, little is known concerning the integrity of the com-

pound when neat solid and solution species are involved.

(c) Temperature Dependence of the Mossbauer Parameters
in $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})_2$: From the temperature dependence of the area under the resonance curve and the temperature dependence of the relative intensity of the two components of the quadrupole split Mossbauer spectrum, it is possible to extract two further pieces of information concerning the intermolecular bonding forces and stereochemistry of dimethyltin bis(dithiocarbamate).

The anisobidentate nature of the dithiocarbamate ligand makes possible one additional architecture for the $\text{R}_2\text{Sn}(\text{IV})$ complexes under discussion which needs to be examined. In this structure, the dtc ligand would act as a bridging moiety between two adjacent metal atoms, giving rise to a polymeric structure for the neat solid. The existence of such a polymeric configuration can be examined by a comparison of the temperature dependence of the recoil free fraction of the ^{119}Sn resonance in the compound in question with that observed in appropriate monomeric and polymeric model compounds. For a thin absorber ($t \ll n \sigma_0 f_a < 1$) the temperature dependence of the recoil free fraction in the absorber, $f_a(T)$, is identical to the temperature dependence of the area under the resonance curve $A_a(T)$, a parameter which can be readily extracted from the appropriate Mossbauer data. Moreover, normalization of such data to a common temperature (in the present case 120°K) permits direct comparison of the temperature dependence of the area parameter between different samples. From the simple Debye theory of solids it is inferred²¹ that a plot of $\ln A(T)$ against temperature will be a linear function in the high temperature limit, and such data have been used previously to ex-

tract a "Mossbauer temperature" for a variety of organometallic and related compounds. The slope $d \ln A / dT$ can be related to the strength of the intermolecular bonding forces; under comparable conditions, the smaller this temperature dependence the larger is the sum of all of the intermolecular bonding forces which influence the vibrational spectrum of the metal atom. The temperature dependence of the area under the resonance curve (normalized to the 120°K data point) for $(CH_3)_2 Sn(dtc)_2$ is given in Figure 7, together with corresponding data for $(C_6H_5)_2 SnCl_2$ and $(CH_3)_2 SnF_2$. A recent x-ray diffraction study²² of diphenyltindichloride (M.W. 343) has shown that the solid consists of discrete molecular units composed of distorted tetrahedral entities. The Sn-Cl distance in adjacent molecules is 3.77 Å, as compared to the normal Sn-Cl bonding distance of 2.346 Å, and hence significant bridging behavior of the halogen atoms can be ruled out. In this context, this molecule can be considered as an appropriate model compound for a monomeric Sn(IV) organometallic entity. In contrast, the diffraction data²³ for $(CH_3)_2 SnF_2$ shows unambiguously the presence of strong intermolecular bonding forces in which the halogen atoms serve as bridging groups to give a two dimensional polymeric solid. A detailed Mossbauer study of this compound has been reported earlier.²⁴

From the data summarized in Figure 7 it is seen that $d \ln A(T) / dT$ for $(CH_3)_2 Sn(dtc)_2$ is nearly the same as that for $(C_6H_5)_2 SnCl_2$ (the slope ratio is 1.14:1) and significantly larger than that observed for $(CH_3)_2 SnF_2$. From these results - as well as

those¹⁵ for such polymeric species as $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{acac})_2$, $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{SCN})_2$ and related five coordinate polymeric organotin compounds²⁵ - it is clear that there is no significant intermolecular bonding in the bis(dithiocarbamate) species, and that consequently the ligand is bonded to a single metal atom and acts as an anisobidentate entity to a single metal atom as has already been inferred from the Q.S. data cited above. This monomeric nature of the dialkyltin (IV) bis dithiocarbamates in the solid state is in agreement with and extends the molecular weight data of Bonati et.al.⁷ in which the nature of the solute was determined in CHCl_3 and C_6H_6 solutions.

This conclusion is further supported by the absence of a temperature dependent asymmetry in the relative intensity of the two components of the quadrupole doublet spectrum. It has been amply demonstrated in previous studies^{24,25} that when a tin atom is the central atom in a molecule which possesses axial symmetry and in which there is a significant anisotropy of the vibrational amplitude parallel and perpendicular to the symmetry axis, the Mossbauer spectra will reflect a temperature dependent asymmetry in the intensity ratio of the quadrupole split doublet (the so-called Gol'danskii-Karyagin effect).²⁶ As shown in Figure 8, there is no significant temperature dependence of this intensity ratio in the spectra of $(\text{CH}_3)_2 \text{Sn}(\text{dtc})_2$ in the temperature range $78 < T < 150^\circ\text{K}$. Although these data do not by themselves rule out other structural possibilities (since a coincidental balancing of bonding forces could obtain even in a distorted tetrahedral or regular trans octahedral configuration to give rise to an isotropic

vibrational amplitude distribution about the metal atom) they are again consistent with the distorted quasi-octahedral structure postulated above for the dialkyltin (IV) bisdithiocarbamate ligands which is expected to reduce the difference in the strength of the bonding interaction between the metal and the two sulfur atoms on the one hand and the metal and the alkyl groups on the other. Moreover the departure from cylindrical symmetry due to the non-linearity of the C-Sn-C interactions referred to above, will also reduce the ellipticity of the vibrational amplitude of the metal atom. The observed consequence of this effect is to lead (within the experimental errors of the present measurements) to a spherically symmetric (isotropic) vibrational motion of the metal atom with respect to the center of the molecular geometry.

(d) Bonding and Structure of Monoalkyltin (IV) Bis Dithiocarbamate Compounds. The data on compounds of the type $R SnL_2 X$ summarized in Table 1 can be rationalized on the basis of the preceding discussion concerning the nature of the dithiocarbamate ligand. The magnitude of the quadrupole splitting parameter which is observed (~ 1.7 mm/sec.) does not permit an unambiguous structural assignment to be made, since model compounds for monoalkyltin species with three and five coordinating ligands have not been studied in detail. From the fact that the isomer shift of $R SnL_2 X$ is just intermediate between the isomer shifts observed for $R_2 SnL_2$ and $SnL_2 X_2$, it may be concluded that the nature of the ligand L is identical in the three cases. On this basis a working hypothesis may be adopted that the dithiocarbamate ligand in the monoalkyltin (IV) species exists as the same kind of anisobidentate

moiety as has been postulated present in the dialkyltin (IV) compounds.*

(e) Bonding and Structure of Tetrakis Dithiocarbamate

Sn(IV). The absence of a resolvable quadrupole splitting for the tetrakisdimethyl and -diethyltin (IV) dithiocarbamate is indicative of a (nearly) cubic symmetry charge distribution around the metal atom in these two compounds. The qualification arises from the observation that the line width which is observed even for moderately thin samples- (~1.2 mm/sec.)- is broader than would be expected for an ideally cubic compound and suggests a small departure from such an idealized geometry, presumably due to the steric requirements of the ligands.

A crystal structure study of the tetrakis(N,N diethyldithiocarbamato)tin (IV) has been published by Harreld and Schlemper²⁷ who find a distorted octahedral environment around the tin atom with two monodentate and two bidentate ligands evident from the metal-sulfur bond distances. The departure from regular O_h symmetry is significant in this molecule in which the S-Sn-S bond angle is 70.6° for the chelated ligand and 99.7° for the S-Sn-S angle between the chelated and monodentate ligand. Finally, it is interesting to note that the S-Sn-S bond angle involving the two monodentate ligands is 81.1° ,

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thus placing these two groups nearly cis with respect to each other, rather than in the trans position which might have been expected. The Sn-S bond distance for the non-bonded sulfur atom is 3.9 Å (compared to a van der Waals contact of 3.7 Å) and hence the monodentate ligand cannot be considered as anisobidentate in this structure.

The line broadening observed in the Mossbauer spectra (vide supra and Table 1) reflects this departure from cubic symmetry and suggests a similarity between the structure of the tetrakis (N,N - dimethyldithiocarbamate) compound and the structure studied by Harreld and Schlemper. From the isomer shift-electronegativity correlation¹² the mean ligand sulfur electronegativity is seen to be about 8.75 on the Jaffe-Mulliken scale, intermediate between the electronegativity of bromide and chloride bonded to Sn (IV). Beyond observing the internal consistency of this value for a tin-sulfur bonding interaction little further information can be extracted with confidence from the present data.

IV. SUMMARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The present study has served to elucidate the structure and bonding in a series of organotin (IV) dithiocarbamates by the use of infrared, n.m.r. and Mossbauer spectroscopies. In dialkyltin (IV) bis dithiocarbamate complexes the ligand acts as an anisobidentate moiety, the two sulfur atoms interacting unequally with the central metal atom to give rise to significantly distorted octahedral configurations about the tin atom. Mossbauer studies over the temperature range $78 < T < 150^\circ\text{K}$ have shown that in $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn}(\text{dtc})_2$, the solid is composed of monomolecular units and no evidence for inter-

molecular bridging by the sulfur containing ligand in the solid is noted in the data. The metal atom vibration is essentially isotropic in this molecule over the indicated temperature range. In the case of the tetrakisdimethyldithiocarbamate and -diethyldithiocarbamate complexes of Sn (IV), there is no resolvable quadrupole splitting extractable from the Mossbauer data - although there is a noticeable line broadening observed in the spectra - and thus the charge distribution about the metal atom must be nearly ideally cubic, arising from the distorted octahedral ligand configuration about the metal atom involving two isobidentate and two monodentate ligands bonded to the central atom as indicated by published diffraction data. The present study has also permitted the evaluation of group electronegativities for alkyl and aryl groups bonded to Sn (IV), as well as for the ethyldithiocarbamate ligand in a series of structurally related compounds.

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FIGURE CAPTIONS

- Fig. 1 - Mossbauer spectrum of dimethyltin (IV) bis (diethyl dithiocarbamate) at 84°K. The intensity asymmetry arises from a crystal orientation effect and is temperature independent.
- Fig. 2 - Isomer shift (with respect to BaSnO_3)-electronegativity correlation for compounds of the type $\text{Sn XY} (\text{dtc})_2$ discussed in the text.
- Fig. 3 - Correlation between the methyl-tin asymmetric stretching frequency in compounds of the type $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{SnX}$, and the ligand electronegativity (valence state). The linear relationship has been calibrated from the data for $\text{X} = \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$ and H . The data points for $\text{X} = \text{F}$ and OH do not lie on the curve due to the polymeric structure of these species.
- Fig. 4 - Portion of the infrared spectrum of dimethyltin (IV) bis(diethyldithiocarbamate).
- Fig. 5 - Correlation between the Sn-S infrared frequency and the Mossbauer isomer shift for a series of Sn(IV) bis(diethyldithiocarbamate) compounds discussed in the text.
- Fig. 6 - Correlation between the isomer shift (from BaSnO_3) and ligand electronegativity for the compounds of the type $\text{Sn(IV)} \text{XY} (\text{dtc})_2$ discussed in the text. Where $\text{X}=\text{Y}$, the ligand electronegativity has been extracted from the extrapolation of the data for $\text{X}=\text{Y}=\text{F}, \text{Cl}, \text{Br}, \text{I}$. Where $\text{X} \neq \text{Y}$, the average of the two ligand electronegativities has been used to fix the point on the horizontal axis.
- Fig. 7 - Normalized $\ln$ (resonance effect magnitude) plotted as a function of temperature for dimethyltin (IV) bis (diethyldithiocarbamate), diphenyltin dichloride, and dimethyltin (IV) difluoride. The slopes of the curves are related to the strength of the intermolecular bonding in these compounds. The data have been normalized to the 120°K values to effect intersample comparison.
- Fig. 8 - Gol'danskii-Karyagin asymmetry in $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Sn(IV)} (\text{dtc})_2$. The data have been corrected for temperature independent crystal orientation effects and departure of the spectrometer base line from linearity due to solid angle effects. The vibrational amplitude is isotropic within the quoted 2% experimental error.

COMPOUND ^a	I. S. ^{b, c} mm/sec	Q. S. ^c mm/sec	Γ^d mm/sec	$\nu_{\text{Sn-S}}$
1. $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SnL}_2$	1.51	3.04	0.97	363.8 $\pm$ 0.3
2. $(\text{C}_3\text{H}_7)_2\text{SnL}_2$	1.54	2.82	0.83	370.3 $\pm$ 1.0
3. $(\text{iC}_4\text{H}_9)_2\text{SnL}_2$	1.57	2.92	0.97	365.2 $\pm$ 1.0
4. $(\text{nC}_4\text{H}_9)_2\text{SnL}_2$	1.56	2.91	1.14	368.2 $\pm$ 1.0
5. $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{SnL}_2$	1.13	1.74	1.14	374.3 $\pm$ 0.4
6. SnL_2I_2	1.12	0	1.19	375.5 $\pm$ 0.8
7. SnL_2Br_2	0.95	0	1.42	379.8 $\pm$ 0.5
8. SnL_2Cl_2	0.74	0	1.60	382.0 $\pm$ 0.5
9. $(\text{SnL}_2\text{F}_2$	0.19	0	2.05	-)
10. $(\text{CH}_3)\text{SnL}_2\text{Cl}$	1.09	1.76	-	375.7 $\pm$ 0.5
11. $(\text{nC}_4\text{H}_9)\text{SnL}_2\text{Cl}$	1.21	1.73	-	373.8 $\pm$ 1.2
12. $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)\text{SnL}_2\text{Cl}$	1.12	1.66	-	377.0 $\pm$ 0.5
13. $(\text{nC}_4\text{H}_9)\text{SnL}_2\text{Br}$	1.27	1.80	-	373.0 $\pm$ 1.0
14. $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SnLCl}$	1.43	2.80	-	392.2 $\pm$ 0.5
15. $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SnLBr}$	1.45	2.82	-	391.3 $\pm$ 0.4
16. $(\text{iC}_4\text{H}_9)_2\text{SnLCl}$	1.53	2.84	-	-
17. $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{SnLCl}$	1.28	2.21	-	-
18. SnL_4	1.10	0	1.22	379.8 $\pm$ 0.3
19. SnL^t_4	1.16	0	1.25	-
20. $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_3\text{SnL}$	1.30	1.71	-	-

- a L = diethyldithiocarbamate, L' = dimethyldithiocarbamate
- b With respect to BaSnO₃ at room temperature
- c ± 0.04 mm/sec
- d Line width (F.w.h.m.), average of all components of the spectrum

Table 1 - Mossbauer and infrared data for the compounds discussed in the text. The Mossbauer measurements were carried out at $81 \pm 2^\circ\text{K}$; the infrared measurements were carried out on 0.8% by weight samples in KBr pellets, at a scan speed of $\sim 10\text{cm}^{-1} \text{ minute}^{-1}$.

	$\text{Na}^+\text{L}(\text{acetone } d_6)$	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SnL}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)$	$(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SnL}_2(\text{acetone } d_6)$	$\text{NiL}_2(\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2)$
δ	1.20	1.26	1.27	1.19
$-\text{CH}-$	4.13	3.85	3.90	3.59
$\text{CH}_3(\text{Sn})$		1.55	1.44	
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$^{119}\text{Sn}-\text{H}$		43 $\pm$ 1HZ	43 $\pm$ 1HZ	
$^{117}\text{Sn}-\text{H}$		41 $\pm$ 1HZ	40 $\pm$ 1HZ	

TABLE 2. N.m.r. data discussed in the text. The proton shifts are given in ppm from TMS. $\text{CH}_3(\text{Sn})$ refers to the protons of the methyl group bonded to the tin atom.

TEMPERATURE
°K

$R = I_+ / I_-$

78	1.016
78	1.007
89	0.985
100	0.960
121	0.993
134	1.030
150	1.007

TABLE 3 - Temperature dependence of the Gol'danskii-Karyagin asymmetry ratio R for $(CH_3)_2Sn(dtc)_2$. The raw data have been corrected for temperature independent crystal orientation effects and solid angle instrumental departure from base line linearity. The average value over the interval $78 \leq T \leq 150$ is $R = 1.000 \pm 0.021$.