

*Crystallographic report***Dimeric tetraphenyl-1-hydroxo-3-trifluoromethanesulfonatodistannoxane, [Ph₂(HO)SnOSn(O₃SCF₃)Ph₂]₂****Jens Beckmann*, Dainis Dakternieks, Andrew Duthie and Cassandra Mitchell**

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The molecular structure of the title compound, obtained by an adventitious phenyl group cleavage of Ph₃SnOSnPh₃ with triflic acid, reveals discrete centrosymmetric units of [Ph₂(HO)SnOSn(O₃SCF₃)Ph₂]₂ that are loosely associated via hydrogen bonding. Copyright © 2004 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

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Several crystals of [Ph₂(HO)SnOSn(O₃SCF₃)Ph₂]₂ were isolated from the reaction of an equimolar ratio of Ph₃SnOSnPh₃ and triflic acid, with the intention of

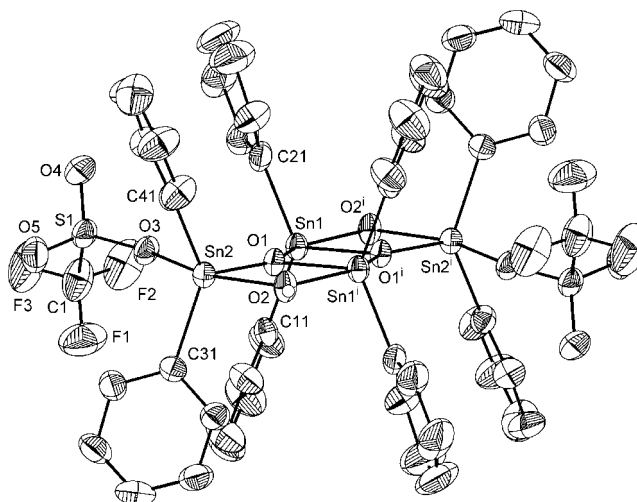


Figure 1. Molecular structure of [Ph₂(HO)SnOSn(O₃SCF₃)Ph₂]₂. Hydrogen atoms attached to carbon atoms are omitted for clarity. Selected geometric parameters: Sn1–O1 2.117(3), Sn1–O1ⁱ 2.064(3), Sn1–O2ⁱ 2.177(4), Sn1–C11 2.109(5), Sn1–C21 2.091(6), Sn2–O1 2.017(3), Sn2–O2 2.093(4), Sn2–O3 2.306(3), Sn2–C31 2.121(5), Sn2–C41 2.112(5) Å; O1–Sn1–O1ⁱ 73.97(13), O1–Sn1–O2ⁱ 146.98(13), O1–Sn1–C11 99.61(18), O1–Sn1–C21 98.7(2), O1ⁱ–Sn1–O2ⁱ 73.20(13), O1ⁱ–Sn1–C11 113.21(17), O1ⁱ–Sn1–C21 115.99(20), O2ⁱ–Sn1–C11 96.38(18), O2ⁱ–Sn1–C21 92.41(19), C11–Sn1–C21 130.5(2), O1–Sn2–O2 75.95(14), O1–Sn2–O3 80.40(14), O1–Sn2–C31 111.00(17), O1–Sn2–C41 117.62(18), O2–Sn2–O3 156.17(14), O2–Sn2–C31 98.57(19), O2–Sn2–C41 95.33(19), O3–Sn2–C31 92.49(18), O3–Sn2–C41 93.04(19), C31–Sn2–C41 131.3(2)°. Hydrogen bonding contact: O2...O4ⁱⁱ 2.806(6) Å. Symmetry operations: i, 2 – x, –y, 2 – z; ii, 1.5 – x, –0.5 + y, 1.5 – z.

producing $[\text{Ph}_3\text{SnOH}(\text{SnPh}_3)(\text{O}_3\text{SCF}_3)]$. The formation of $[\text{Ph}_2(\text{HO})\text{SnOSn}(\text{O}_3\text{SCF}_3)\text{Ph}_2]_2$ (Fig. 1) may be rationalized by an adventitious phenyl group cleavage similar to that reported recently for the reaction of $\text{Ph}_3\text{SnOSnPh}_3$ with 2,4,6-tris(trifluoromethyl)benzoic acid.¹ The title compound is an analogue of $[\text{R}_2(\text{HO})\text{SnOSn}(\text{O}_3\text{SCF}_3)\text{R}_2]_2$ ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$, $n\text{-Bu}$, $n\text{-Oct}$),² and an example of the broader class of dimeric tetraorganodistannoxanes.³

EXPERIMENTAL

Triflic acid (0.204 g, 1.36 mmol) was added to Ph_3SnOH (1.00 g, 2.72 mmol) suspended in MeCN (50 ml) and stirred at room temperature for 1 h. The solvent was removed from the clear solution *in vacuo*, yielding a clear oil. Crystals (m.p. 270–272 °C) suitable for X-ray crystallography were isolated from a dichloromethane–petroleum spirit (60–80 °C) solution of the compound. Intensity data were collected at 293 K on a Bruker SMART Apex CCD diffractometer for a block $0.08 \times 0.10 \times 0.25 \text{ mm}^3$. $\text{C}_{50}\text{H}_{42}\text{F}_6\text{O}_{10}\text{S}_2\text{Sn}_4$, $M =$

1455.72, monoclinic, $P2_1/n$, $a = 11.4025(7)$, $b = 16.3884(10)$, $c = 15.3933(9) \text{ \AA}$, $\beta = 110.285(1)^\circ$, $V = 2698.1(3)$, $Z = 2$, 6127 unique data ($\theta_{\text{max}} = 27.5^\circ$), $R = 0.046$ (4259 [$I > 2\sigma(I)$] reflections), $wR = 0.109$ (all data), $\rho_{\text{max}} = 1.18 \text{ e}^{-1} \text{ \AA}^{-3}$ (near tin). Programs used: SAINT, SADABS, SHELX-97, ORTEP. CCDC deposition number: 218184.

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