# Crystallographic report

# 6-Mercaptopurinate complex of tribenzyltin(IV), (PhCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Sn(C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>S)Sn(PhCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>OMe

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The title complex displays a binuclear structure in which the geometries of tin atoms are different: one is cis-trigonal bipyramidal (with a  $C_3NS$  donor set) and the other is trans-trigonal bipyramidal ( $C_3NO$ ). Copyright © 2004 John Wiley & Sons, Ltd.

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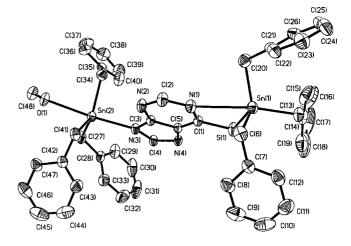
#### **COMMENT**

The structural chemistry of the triorganotin(IV) derivatives from heterocyclic thionates is rich and diverse. For example, the structures of these compounds range from discrete to trimeric to polymeric. In the title compound (Fig. 1), a novel structure is found that displays a binuclear structure as a result of the 6-mercaptopurinate anion being tridentate. The geometries of the tin atoms are different: one is cis-trigonal bipyramidal, the weak nature of the  $Sn \cdots N$  interaction notwithstanding, and the other is trans-trigonal bipyramidal. The molecules are loosely associated via hydrogen-bonding interactions ( $N4 \cdots O1 = 2.87$  Å) to form a chain.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

The reaction was carried out under an atmosphere of nitrogen using standard Schlenk techniques. 6-Mercaptopurine (0.152 g, 1 mmol) was added to a solution of methanol (20 ml) with sodium methoxide (0.054 g, 1 mmol), the mixture was stirred for 10 min, (PhCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>SnCl (0.427 g, 1 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 12 h at 40 °C. After cooling to room temperature and filtration, the solvent of the filtrate was gradually removed by evaporation under vacuum until a solid product was obtained. The solid was then recrystallized from methanol solution and pale-yellow crystals were formed; m.p. 158–160 °C. Anal. Found: C, 59.80; H, 5.15; N, 5.69. Calc. for  $C_{48}H_{48}N_4OSSn_2$ : C, 59.66; H, 5.01; N, 5.80%. IR

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**Figure 1.** Molecular structure of  $(PhCH_2)_3Sn(C_5H_3N_4S)Sn(PhCH_2)_3OMe$ ; hydrogen atoms have been removed for clarity. Selected geometric data: Sn1-S1 2.455(2), Sn1-N1 2.922(4), Sn2-O1 2.530(3), Sn2-N3 2.262(3) Å; S1-Sn1-N1 58.69(8), N1-Sn1-C13 157.00(12), O1-Sn2-N3 175.23(9)°.

(cm $^{-1}$ ):  $\nu$ (C–S) 702,  $\nu_{as}(Sn-C)$  445,  $\nu_{s}(Sn-C)$  426,  $\nu(Sn-S)$  307.  $^{1}H$  NMR: 8.20 (s, 1H, purine ring  $H^{2}$ ), 7.98 (s, 1H, purine ring  $H^{8}$ ), 6.89–7.16 (m, 30H, Sn–CH $_{2}C_{6}H_{5}$ ), 3.76 (s, 3H, Sn–OCH $_{3}$ ), 2.81 (s, 12H, Sn–CH $_{2}C_{6}H_{5}$ ). Intensity data were collected at 293(2) K on a Bruker SMART CCD 1000 diffractometer using a pale-yellow block 0.15  $\times$  0.26  $\times$  0.33 mm $^{3}$ .  $C_{48}H_{48}N_{4}OSSn_{2}$ , M=966.34, monoclinic,  $P_{21}/n$ , a=10.857(11), b=28.10(3), c=14.989(15) Å,  $\beta=100.896(14)^{\circ}$ , V=4490(8) Å $^{3}$ , Z=4, 7857 unique data ( $\theta_{max}$  25.0°), R=0.033 (5683 data with  $I>2\sigma(I)$ ), wR=0.070 (all data). Software used: SHELXL-97 and ORTEP. CCDC deposition number: 227952.

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