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The interaction in a 1:1 molar ratio of  $Bu_2Sn(OPr^i)_2$  with Schiff bases  $HOC_6H_4CH=NC_6H_3Me_2-2.6$  (HL<sup>1</sup>) and  $HOC_{10}H_6CH=NC_6H_3Me_2-2.6$ (HL<sup>2</sup>) yields homometallic derivatives  $Bu_2Sn(\eta^2-L^1)(OPr^i)$  1 and  $Bu_2Sn(\eta^2-L^2)$  $(OPr^{i})$  2, where deprotonated ligands  $L^{1}$  and  $L^{2}$  are bonded in a bidentate  $(\eta^2)$  fashion through O and N atoms. Complexes 1 and 2 react in an equimolar ratio with Al(OCHMeCH2CMe2O)(OCHMeCH2CMe2OH) A or  $Al\{(OCH_2CH_2)_2(C_6H_5)N(OCH_2-CH_2(C_6H_5)NCH_2CH_2OH)\}$  **B** to afford heterobimetallic derivatives 3-6 incorporating five-coordinate tin and four-coordinate aluminium in  ${\bf 3}$  and  ${\bf 5}$  and five-coordinate both tin and aluminium in  ${\bf 4}$  and  ${\bf 6}$ . Furthermore, the reaction of 2 with Ph<sub>3</sub>SiOH affords a heteronuclear derivative 7 having tin and silicon, respectively, in a five- and four-coordinate environment.  $All\ of\ these\ derivatives\ have\ been\ characterized\ by\ elemental\ analysis,\ spectroscopic$ (IR, NMR; <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>27</sup>Al, <sup>29</sup>Si, and <sup>119</sup>Sn) studies, and molecular weight determina $tions. \ The \ creation \ of \ new \ synthetic \ routes \ for \ heterometallic \ alkoxide \ coordination$ systems is an important goal, and investigations focused on this objective will ultimately increase our understanding of many aspects associated with the formation and stability of heterometallic coordination systems in general.

**Keywords** Dibutyltin derivatives; heterobimetallic derivatives; mixed-ligand derivatives

Inspite of considerable development in the chemistry of heterometal-lic alkoxide and related systems  $^{1-7}$  incorporating tin(IV), surprisingly organotin(IV) heterometallic systems are rare. Very recently we have been successful in the synthesis and spectroscopic characterization of novel heterometallic systems, such as  $BuSn(OGO)_2Al(OPR^i)_2,^8BuSn(L)M(OPr^i)_n,^9Bu_2Sn(L)Al(OPr^i)_2,^{10a}$  and  $BuSn(L)Ge(OET)_3.^{10b}$  Furthermore, a large number of tin(IV) and organotin(IV) derivatives

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of Schiff-bases and  $\beta$ -ketoamines with novel chemical, physical, and structural features are known, but heterometallic organotin(IV) derivatives featuring Schiff base moieties are limited<sup>9–11</sup> in number.

In view of more interesting results obtained during the last few years in our studies on novel types of heterometallic organotin(IV) derivatives,  $^{8-11}$  we were encouraged to investigate the spectroscopic and some physical properties of the complexes formed by the reaction of BuSn( $\eta^2$ -L)(OPr<sup>i</sup>) (where L=OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH=NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Me-2,6 and OC<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH=NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Me<sub>2</sub>-2,6) with an aluminium glycolate derivative containing one hydroxy group. We present here some results of such studies.

#### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

A reaction in a 1:1 molar ratio of Bu<sub>2</sub>Sn(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub> with Schiff bases HL<sup>1</sup> and HL<sup>2</sup> affords homometallic derivatives.

$$\begin{array}{ll} Bu_{2}Sn(OPr^{i})_{2}+HL^{1} \ \, or \ \, HL^{2} \xrightarrow[reflux]{benzene} \\ Bu_{2}Sn(\eta^{2}\text{-}L^{1})(OPr^{i}) \ \, or \ \, Bu_{2}Sn(\eta^{2}\text{-}L^{2})(OPr^{i})+Pr^{i}OH \uparrow \\ 1:L^{1}=OC_{6}H_{4}CH=NC_{6}H_{3}Me_{2}\text{-}2.6 \\ 2:L^{2}=OC_{10}H_{6}CH=NC_{6}H_{3}Me_{2}\text{-}2.6 \end{array} \tag{1}$$

Homometallic derivatives **1** and **2** react in equimolar amounts with  $Al(OCHMeCH_2CMe_2O)(OCHMeCH_2CMe_2OH)$  **A** (Eq. (2)) and  $Al\{(OCH_2CH_2)_2\text{-}(C_6H_5)N(OCH_2CH_2(C_6H_5)NCH_2CH_2OH)\}$  **B** (Eq. (3)) to yield heterobimetallic derivatives **3–6**.

$$\mathbf{1/2} + \mathbf{A} \xrightarrow[\text{reflux}]{\text{benzene}} Bu_2Sn(\eta^2\text{-L})Al(OCHMeCH_2CMe_2O)_2 \ + \ Pr^iOH \uparrow \quad (2)$$

3: 
$$L = L^1$$
, 4:  $L = L^2$ 

$$\mathbf{1/2} + \mathbf{B} \xrightarrow[\text{reflux}]{\text{benzene}} Bu_2 Sn(\eta^2 - L) Al\{(OCH_2CH_2)_2 NC_6H_5\}_2 + Pr^iOH \uparrow \qquad (3)$$

**5**: 
$$L = L^1$$
, **6**:  $L = L^2$ 

A reaction of **2** with Ph<sub>3</sub>SiOH produces a heteronuclear derivative containing five-coordinate tin(IV) and four-coordinate silicon(IV) in the same molecule.

$$\mathbf{2} + Ph_3SiOH \xrightarrow{\text{benzene}} Bu_2Sn(L^2)Si(O)Ph_3 + Pr^iOH \uparrow$$

$$\mathbf{7}$$

$$(4)$$

All of the new derivatives **1–7** (Table I) are yellow semisolids soluble in typical organic solvents and monomeric (cryoscopically) in benzene solution.

TABLE I Analytical and Some Physical Data for Diorganotin(IV) Derivatives

Reg	$ m Reactants^{a}$	Liberated Pr <sup>i</sup> OH	Product color	2%	Analys	% Analysis found (Calcd.)	(Calcd.)		M. Wt. found
(g)	(g, mmol)	found (Calcd.)	and state $^b$ yield (g)	Sn	Al/Si	С	Н	N	(Calcd.)
$Bu_2Sn(OPr^i)_2$	$ m L^1H$	0.27	$Bu_2Sn\ (L^1)(OPr^i)\ {\bf 1}$	22.90	I	86.09	8.18	2.11	530
(1.66, 4.72)	(1.07, 4.74)	(0.28)	(2.42)	(22.98)		(60.48)	(7.61)	(2.71)	(516)
$\mathrm{Bu_2Sn}(\mathrm{OPr^i})_2$	$ m L^2H$	0.42	$\mathrm{Bu_2Sn}\ (\mathrm{L^2})(\mathrm{OPr^i})$ 2	20.81	I	64.95	7.06	2.41	574
(2.54, 7.23)	(1.99, 7.22)	(0.43)	(3.78)	(20.95)		(63.61)	(7.29)	(2.47)	(299)
1	Al (OGO)(OGOH)	0.31	$\operatorname{Bu}_2\operatorname{Sn}\left(L^1\right)\operatorname{Al}\left(\operatorname{OGO}\right)_2$ 3	16.23	3.64	58.14	7.19	1.89	738
(2.73, 5.28)	(1.38, 5.30)	(0.32)	(3.78)	(16.56)	(3.76)	(58.65)	(7.87)	(1.95)	(717)
1	Al	0.31	$Bu_2Sn (L^1) Al (Phdea)_2 4$	14.00	3.18	61.18	6.90	4.90	860
(2.75, 5.32)	(Phdea)(PhdeaH)	(0.32)	(4.45)	(14.08)	(3.20)	(61.28)	(6.93)	(4.93)	(843)
	(2.06, 5.33)								
23	Al (OGO)(OGOH)	0.32	$\operatorname{Bu}_2\operatorname{Sn}(L^2)\operatorname{Al}(\operatorname{OGO})_2$ 5	15.01	3.10	61.27	7.59	1.70	790
(3.19, 5.63)	(1.47, 5.64)	(0.34)	(4.29)	(15.48)	(3.52)	(61.09)	(7.62)	(1.82)	(294)
2	A	0.32	$Bu_2Sn (L^2) Al (Phdea)_2 6$	13.05	3.04	64.46	6.05	4.64	906
(3.16, 5.57)	(Phdea)(PhdeaH)	(0.33)	(4.95)	(13.29)	(3.02)	(63.22)	(6.77)	(4.70)	(893)
	(2.16, 5.58)								
23	${ m Ph}_3{ m SiOH}$	0.34	$\mathrm{Bu_2Sn}$ (L) OSi Ph <sub>3</sub> 7	18.10	0]	68.91	6.28	1.76	818
(3.31, 5.84)	(1.61, 5.82)	(0.35)	(4.55)	(18.86)	(98	(68.99)	(6.31)	(1.78)	(783)

 $<sup>^{</sup>a} Abbreviation: L^{1} = OC_{6}H_{4}CH = NC_{6}H_{3}Me_{2} - 2, 6; L^{2} = OC_{10}H_{6}CH = NC_{6}H_{3}Me_{2} - 2, 6; G = CHMeCH_{2}CMe_{2}; Phdea = PhN(CH_{2}CH_{2}O)_{2}.$   $^{b} All \ are \ yellow \ semisolids.$ 

#### **Spectroscopic Studies**

IR spectra<sup>11–13</sup> of homo- and heteronuclear derivatives **1–7** (Table II) exhibit (i) the absence of a broad absorption band due to the phenolic OH group of the Schiff base ligands; (ii) the  $\nu(C=N)$  at  $\sim 1630~\rm cm^{-1}$ , which is  $\sim 12$  wavenumber lower than those observed in the parent ligands; (iii) phenolic  $\nu(C-O)$  in the  $1280-1290~\rm cm^{-1}$  region; and (iv) bands at  $585\pm 5$ ,  $557\pm 8$ , and  $435\pm 5$ , which may be assigned to  $\nu(Sn-C)$ , <sup>14</sup>  $\nu(Sn-C)$ , <sup>15</sup> and  $\nu(Sn\leftarrow N)$ , <sup>16</sup> respectively. Absorptions characteristic of isopropoxy groups in derivatives **1** and **2** appear in the 1175-1180 and  $1159-1160~\rm cm^{-1}$  regions. Bands due to a glycolate <sup>17</sup> moiety in derivatives **3** and **5** appear at 1350,  $1370~\nu(CMe_2)$ , and  $710-715~\nu(CH_2)$ . Absorptions due to a N-phenyldiethanolaminate <sup>18</sup> group in derivatives **4** and **6** appear at  $1370~\rm and$   $1375~\nu(C-N)$ . Aluminium—oxygen stretching vibrations in derivatives **3–6** appear at  $620\pm 10~\rm cm^{-1}$ .

The presence of the triphenylsilyl group in the derivative **7** is supported by the appearance of absorption bands at 1235 cm<sup>-1</sup> due to the  $\nu(\text{Si-C})$  deformation and at 999, 825, and 750 arising from  $\nu(\text{Si-O})$ ,  $\rho_r(\text{Si-C})$ , and  $\nu(\text{Si-C})$ , respectively.

The coordination of the azomethine nitrogen atom to the tin(IV) center has been supported by the shifting of  $\nu(C\!=\!N)$  to lower ( $\sim\!12\,cm^{-1})$  wavenumbers with respect to those observed (at  $1638(HL^1)/1641(HL^2)$   $cm^{-1})$  in the free ligands. The appearance of new bands at  $435\pm5$  are assignable to Sn  $\leftarrow$  N stretching frequencies.

## <sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectra

All the derivatives **1–7** show <sup>1</sup>H NMR signals (Table II) due to dibutyltin and Schiff-base moieties at  $(\delta, \text{ppm})$  0.88–0.93 (**Me**(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>Sn), 1.29–1.31 (MeCH<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Sn), 1.58–1.59 (MeCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Sn), 1.61–1.64 (Me(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Sn), 2.23–1.31 (**Me**), 6.43–8.00 (aromatic-**H**), and 8.34–9.12 (**HC=**N). Derivatives **1** and **2** show signals due to isopropoxy groups at  $\delta$  1.29–1.30 (OCH**Me**<sub>2</sub>) and 3.95–3.98 (OCH**Me**<sub>2</sub>).

Derivatives **3** and **5** show signals characteristic of a glycolate moiety in the  $\delta$  1.21–1.25 (CMe), 1.27–1.30 (CHMe), 1.55–1.56 (CH<sub>2</sub>), and 4.21–4.25 (CHMe) ppm regions. Signals for the deprotonated N-phenyldiethanolaminate group in derivatives **4** and **6** appear in the  $\delta$  3.51–3.57 (NCH<sub>2</sub>), 3.91–3.95 (OCH<sub>2</sub>), and 6.43–8.08 (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>) ppm regions.

## <sup>119</sup>Sn NMR Spectra

The observed <sup>119</sup>Sn NMR signals (Table II) for **1–7** in the  $\delta$  –172 – –190 ppm region support five-coordinate <sup>19</sup> tin in these derivatives (Figures 1a and 1b).

TABLE II IR (cm  $^{-1}$ ) and NMR ( $\delta$ , ppm) Spectral Data for Dioganotin(IV) Derivatives

Compound	IR	H <sub>1</sub>	$^{27}\mathrm{Al}/^{29}\mathrm{Si}$	$^{119}\mathrm{Sn}$
1	1630 $v(\text{C=N})$ , 1280 $v(\text{C-O})$ phenolic, 1180, 1159 $v(\text{OPr}^i)$ , 580 $v(\text{Sn-C})$ , 560 $v(\text{Sn-O})$ , 430 $v(\text{Sn} \leftarrow \text{N})$	0.91 (t, 6H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> Sn); 1.29 (d, 6H, OCHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 1.31 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.59 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.64 (t, 4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.23 (s, 6H, Me); 6.60–7.39 (m. 7H, aromatic-H); 8.67 (s, 1H, HC=N)	1	-190
61	1632 $\nu$ (C=N), 1290 $\nu$ (C-O)phenolic, 1175, 1160 $\nu$ (OPr <sup>1</sup> ), 580 $\nu$ (Sn-C), 550 $\nu$ (Sn-O), 437 $\nu$ (Sn $\leftarrow$ N)	0.93 (t, 6H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> Sn); 1.29 (d, 6H, OCHMe <sub>2</sub> ); 1.32 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.58 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.61 (4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.29 (s, 6H, Me); 6.90–7.45 (m, 9H, anomatic-H); 9.19 (s, 1H, HC=N)	I	-186
တ	1630 $\nu(\text{C=N})$ , 1350 $\nu(\text{CMe}_2)$ , 1280 $\nu(\text{C-O)phenolic}$ , 710 $\nu(\text{CH}_2)$ , 610 $\nu(\text{Al-O})$ , 585 $\nu(\text{Sn-C})$ , 560 $\nu(\text{Sn-O})$ , 440 $\nu(\text{Sn} \leftarrow N)$	0.91 (t, 6H, MCCR2 <sub>18</sub> Sn); 1.22 (s, 12H, CMe); 1.27 (s, 6H, CHMe); 1.30 (m, 4H, McCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.55 (d, 4H, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 1.64 (t, 4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.24 (s, 6H, Me); 4.23 (m, 2H, CHMe); 6.95–7.36 (m, 7H, aromatic-H); 8.34 (s, 1H, HC-N)	41	-185
4	1631 $\nu(\text{C=N})$ , 1370 $\nu(\text{C-N})$ , 1280 $\nu(\text{C-O})$ phenolic, 612 $\nu(\text{Al-O})$ , 585 $\nu(\text{Sn-C})$ , 560 $\nu(\text{Sn-O})$ , 437 $\nu(\text{Sn} \leftarrow \text{N})$	0.91 (t, 6H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> Sn); 1.31 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.59 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.64 (t, 4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.20 (s, 6H, Me); 3.51 (t, 4H, NCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3.95 (t, 4H, OCH <sub>2</sub> ); 6.43–7.48 (m, 12H, aromatic-H); 8.34	13	-190
ro	1632 $\nu(\text{C=N})$ , 1370 $\nu(\text{CMe}_2)$ , 1285 $\nu(\text{C-O})\text{phenolic}$ , 715 $\nu(\text{CH}_2)$ , 616 $\nu(\text{Al-O})$ , 590 $\nu(\text{Sn-C})$ , 562 $\nu(\text{Sn-O})$ , 435 $\nu(\text{Sn} \leftarrow N)$	0.91 (t, 6H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> Sn); 1.20 (s, 12H, CMe); 1.30 (s, 6H, CHMe); 1.32 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> Sn); 1.56 (d, 4H, CH <sub>2</sub> ); 1.62 (t, 4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.30 (s, 6H, Me); 4.25 (m, 2H, CHMe); 7.00–8.10 (m, 7H, aromatic-H); 9.13 (s, 1H, HC-N)	41	-184
9	1633 $v(C=N)$ , 1375 $v(C-N)$ , 1281 $v(C-O)$ phenolic, 613 $v(Al-O)$ , 580 $v(Sn-C)$ , 560 $v(Sn-O)$ , 440 $v(Sn\leftarrow N)$	0.91 (t, 6H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> Sn); 1.31 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.58 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.63 (t, 4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.30 (s, 6H, Me); 3.57 (t, 4H, NCH <sub>2</sub> ); 3.91 (t, 4H, OCH <sub>2</sub> ); 6.63–7.86 (m, 14H, aromatic-H); 9.13	14	-172
<b>L</b>	1632 $v(\text{C=N})$ , 1285 $v(\text{C-O})$ phenolic, 1235 $v(\text{Sn-C})$ , 999 $v(\text{Si-O})$ , 825 $v(\text{Si-C})$ , 750 $v(\text{Si-C})$ , 585 $v(\text{Sn-C})$ , 560 $v(\text{Sn-O})$ , 440 $v(\text{Sn} \leftarrow \text{N})$	0.82 (t, 6H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.29 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.58 (m, 4H, MeCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 1.63 (t, 4H, Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Sn); 2.30 (s, 6H, Me); 7.01–8.00 (m, 24H, aromatic-H); 9.12 (s, 1H, HC=N)	16	-185

FIGURE 1 Plausible structures of (a) 3, 5 and (b) 4, 6.

### <sup>29</sup>Si NMR Spectra

The spectrum of derivative 7 shows an  $^{29}Si$  NMR signal at  $\delta$  16 ppm, which is consistent with the four-coordinate  $^{20}$  silicon atom.

## <sup>27</sup>Al NMR Spectra

The observed  $^{27}$ Al NMR signals (Table II) at  $\delta$  41 ppm for derivatives 3 and 5 support four-coordinate  $^{21}$  aluminium (Figure 1a). Signals at  $\delta$  13 and  $\delta$ 14 ppm, respectively, for derivatives 4 and 6 are consistent with five-coordinate  $^{22}$  aluminium (Figure 1b).

Herein we have shown that the chelating ligand metal complexes 1 and 2 are a versatile scaffold for the construction of novel heterobimetal-lic coordination complexes incorporating an organotin(IV) moiety and an aluminium complex or an organosilicon fragment. Furthermore, for these complexes one can foresee promising application as single-source precursors to binary tin/aluminium and tin/silicon oxides via sol-gel process.

#### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

Adequate precautions were taken to exclude moisture during reactions and storage of reactants/products. Solvents<sup>23</sup> (benzene, isopropyl alcohol, *n*-hexane, and dichloromethane), glycol,<sup>8</sup> and N-phenyldiethanolamine<sup>18</sup> were purified and dried by the

Isopropoxides of dibutyltin(IV)<sup>24</sup> literature procedures. and aluminium<sup>25</sup> were prepared by the literature methods. Schiff- $(OCHMeCH_2CMe_2OH)$ , <sup>17</sup> bases,<sup>26</sup>  $Al(OCHMeCH_2CMe_2O)$ and  $A1\{(OCH_2CH_2)_2(C_6H_5)N(OCH_2CH_2(C_6H_5)NCH_2-CH_2OH)\}^{27}$ were prepared by the methods already reported in the literature. Aluminium was determined as oxinate.<sup>28</sup> Tin and silicon were determined as their oxides.<sup>28</sup> Isopropyl alcohol in the azeotrope was determined oxidimetrically.<sup>29</sup> Molecular weights were determined cryoscopically in benzene solution. 1H, 27Al, 29Si, and 119Sn NMR were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> on a JEOL FTAL 300 MHz NMR spectrometer. IR spectra (4000–400 cm<sup>-1</sup>) were recorded as Nujol mulls on a Nicolet Magna 550 spectrophotometer. Carbon, hydrogen, and nitrogen analyses were performed on a Perkin Elmer 2400-II CHNS/O analyzer.

## The Preparation of Bu<sub>2</sub>Sn(OC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH=NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Me<sub>2</sub>-2,6)(OPr<sup>1</sup>) 1

To a benzene ( $\sim$ 60 mL) solution of Bu<sub>2</sub>Sn(OPr<sup>i</sup>)<sub>2</sub> (1.66 g, 4.72 mmol) was added HOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CH=NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Me<sub>2</sub>-2,6 (1.07 g, 4.74 mmol), and the resulting yellow solution was refluxed under a fractionating column with continuous removal of the liberated isopropyl alcohol. When the required amount (0.28 g) of alcohol was collected in the azeotrope and further distillate showed a negligible presence of an oxidizable species, the refluxing was stopped, and the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to r.t. The volatile components from the solution were removed under reduced pressure to obtain a yellow semisolid. Recrystallization from *n*-hexane at  $-20^{\circ}$ C gave an analytically pure title compound (2.42 g, 99%) as a yellow semisolid. Analytical data are summarized in Table I. Compound 2 was prepared by a procedure similar to that already

## The Preparation of $Bu_2Sn(OC_6H_4CH=NC_6H_3Me_2-2,6)AI(OCHMeCH_2CMe_2O)_2$ 3

described for 1. Preparative and analytical data are listed in Table I.

A benzene solution ( $\sim$ 50 mL) containing 1 (2.73 g, 5.28 mmol) and Al(OCHMeCH<sub>2</sub>CMe<sub>2</sub>O)(OCHMeCH<sub>2</sub>CMe<sub>2</sub>OH) (1.38 g, 5.30 mmol) was refluxed with continuous removal of the liberated isopropyl alcohol azeotropically until the distillate required amount (0.32 g) of isopropyl alcohol was collected. After completion of the reaction was evident by the absence of an oxidizable material in the distillate collected thereafter, refluxing was stopped, and volatiles from the solution were removed under reduced pressure to obtain a yellow semisolid. Recrystallization from the 1:2 mixture of n-hexane and dichloromethane at

 $-20^{\circ}$ C gave analytically pure product **3** as a yellow semisolid (3.78 g, 99%).

Compounds **4–6** were prepared by a procedure similar to **3**. Further details are summarized in Table I.

#### The Preparation of $Bu_2Sn(OC_{10}H_6CH=NC_6H_3Me_2-2,6)OSiPh_3$ 7

To a benzene ( $\sim$ 45 mL) solution of Bu<sub>2</sub>Sn(OC<sub>10</sub>H<sub>6</sub>CH=NC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Me<sub>2</sub>-2,6)(OPr<sup>i</sup>) (3.31 g, 5.84 mmol), Ph<sub>3</sub>SiOH (1.61 g, 5.82 mmol) was added, and the resulting yellow solution was refluxed under a fractionating column with continuous removal of the liberated isopropyl alcohol (0.34 g). When the distillate showed negligible presence of isopropyl alcohol, the refluxing was stopped and the reaction mixture was allowed to cool to r.t. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure to obtain a yellow semisolid. Recrystallization from a (1:2) mixture of *n*-hexane and dichloromethane at  $-20^{\circ}$ C gave analytical pure product 7 as a yellow semisolid (4.45 g, 99%). Analytical details are summarized in Table I.

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