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# Two coordination compounds of $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}$ with 4-methylpyridine N -oxide 

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In the solid-state structures of catena-poly[[dichloridotin(II)]- $\mu_{2}$-(4-methylpyridine $N$-oxide) $\left.-\kappa^{2} O: O\right]$, $\left[\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}\right)\right]_{n}, \mathbf{1}$, and dichloridobis(4-methylpyridine $N$-oxide- $\kappa O) \operatorname{tin}(\mathrm{II}),\left[\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}\right)_{2}\right]$, 2, the bivalent tin atoms reveal a seesaw coordination with both chlorine atoms in equatorial and the Lewis base molecules in axial positions. While the $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl}$ distances are almost identical, the $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ distances vary significantly as a result of the different bonding modes ( $\mu_{2}$ for 1, $\mu_{1}$ for 2) of the 4-methylpyridin- $N$-oxide molecules, giving rise to a onedimensional coordination polymer for the $1: 1$ adduct, $\mathbf{1}$, and a molecular structure for the 1:2 adduct, $\mathbf{2}$. The different coordination modes also influence the bonding parameters within the almost planar ligand molecules, mostly expressed in $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$-bond lengthening and endocyclic bond-angle widening at the nitrogen atoms. Additional supramolecular features are found in the crystal structure of 2 as two adjacent molecules form dimers via additional, weak O $\cdots$ Sn interactions.

## 1. Chemical context

$\mathrm{Tin}(\mathrm{II})$ halides, $\mathrm{SnHal}_{2}$, are nominally electron-deficient compounds and therefore strong Lewis acids. Corresponding Lewis acid/Lewis base adducts, however, have been structurally characterized in only small numbers so far. Examples are known with Lewis base molecules bearing nitrogen [ $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot{ }^{t} \mathrm{BuNH}_{2}$ (Veith et al., 1988)], phosphorus [ $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{Ph}_{3} \mathrm{P}$ (Lukic et al., 2019); $\mathrm{SnHal}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{Et}_{3} \mathrm{P}$ (Arp et al., 2013)], or sulfur [ $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}$.thiourea (Harrison et al., 1983)] atoms as possible donor atoms, but the most prominent ones are those with oxygen atoms. Triphenylphosphine oxide (TPPO), dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) and $N, N$-dimethylformide (DMF) are representative examples for such O-bearing Lewis base molecules. Typically, the $\operatorname{tin}(\mathrm{II})$ dihalides form $1: 1$ adducts [e.g. $\mathrm{SnHal}_{2} \cdot$ DMF with $\mathrm{Hal}=\mathrm{Cl}, \mathrm{Br}, \mathrm{I}$, and $\mathrm{SnI}_{2} \cdot$ DMSO (Ozaki et al., 2017)] where the tin (II) atoms in these complexes reach an electron octet by taking up the two donor electrons of the Lewis base molecule. In the case of 1:2 adducts [e.g. $\mathrm{SnF}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{DMSO}$ (Gurnani et al., 2013); $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{TPPO}$ (Selvaraju et al., 1998); $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}$ 2DMSO (Barbul et al., 2011); $\mathrm{SnBr}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{DMSO}, \mathrm{SnBr}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{THF}, \mathrm{SnBr}_{2} \cdot 2$ acetone (Schrenk et al., 2009)] the $\operatorname{tin}$ (II) atoms exceed the electron octet as a result of the two additional donor electrons. Both 1:1 and 1:2 compositions of one and the same tin(II) halide with one and the same Lewis base molecule have been previously reported only for $\mathrm{SnI}_{2}$ with DMSO (Ozaki et al., 2017).

Pyridin- $N$-oxide, PyNO, and its derivatives such as 4-methylpyridin- $N$-oxide, MePyNO, are excellent Lewis bases, which act as electron-pair donors via their exocyclic single-
bonded oxygen atom in numerous inorganic and organometallic compounds of transition metals [i.e. $\mathrm{CdHal}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{PyNO}$ with $\mathrm{Hal}=\mathrm{Cl}$ (Beyeh \& Puttreddy, 2015), Hal = I (Sawitzki \& von Schnering, 1974), $\mathrm{CuCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{MePyNO}$ (Johnson \& Watson, 1971), $\mathrm{Ni}\left(\mathrm{BF}_{4}\right)_{2} \cdot 6 \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Ingen Schenau et al., 1974), $\mathrm{Au}\left(\mathrm{CF}_{3}\right)_{3} \cdot \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Pérez-Bitrián et al., 2017), $\mathrm{MoO}\left(\mathrm{O}_{2}\right)_{2} \cdot-$ 2MePyNO (Griffith et al., 1994)] as well as of $p$-block metals [i.e. $\mathrm{TlBr}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Bermejo et al., 1991); $\mathrm{TlBr}_{3} \cdot 2 \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Hiller et al., 1988); $\mathrm{TlBrI}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{MePyNO}$ (Hiller et al., 1988); $\mathrm{SnI}_{4} \cdot 2 \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Wlaźlak et al., 2016), $\mathrm{Me}_{2} \mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Blom et al., 1969), $\mathrm{Ph}_{3} \mathrm{SnCl} \cdot \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Kumar et al., 2020). With the exception of $\mathrm{SbF}_{3} \cdot \operatorname{PyNO}$ (Benjamin et al., 2012) and $\mathrm{BiI}_{3} \cdot \mathrm{PyNO}$ (Wlaźlak et al., 2020), no complexes of low-valent post-transition-metal elements have been crystallographically determined so far.



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Here we report the crystal structures of two complexes of MePyNO with tin in oxidation state + II having different compositions, viz. $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{MePyNO}, \mathbf{1}$, and $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{MePyNO}, 2$. Both compounds were obtained simultaneously in the same micro-scale experiment from $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}$ and MePyNO in excess using $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{N}$-dimethylformamide as solvent. As reactions were performed on reaction plates we were able to inspect the progress of the reaction by microscopy, which allowed us to observe the intermediate compound formation as well as to study the crystal growth. No scaling-up experiments were performed but $\mathbf{1}$ has previously been mentioned in the literature with respect to its elemental analysis, X-ray-powder diffraction and IR data (Kauffman et al., 1977), giving hints of a low symmetric crystal system and coordination number of three for tin. Mössbauer investigations have been performed by Ichiba et al. (1978).

## 2. Structural commentary

Compound $\mathbf{1}$ crystallizes in the monoclinic space group $P 2_{1} / \mathrm{c}$, and $\mathbf{2}$ in the orthorhombic space group $P b c n$, each with one formula unit in the asymmetric unit and all atoms in general positions. In both compounds, the bivalent tin atoms adopt a seesaw coordination, which results from a $\mu_{2}$-coordination mode of the MePyNO-molecule in $\mathbf{1}$, giving rise to a one-


The asymmetric unit of $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{MePyNO}, \mathbf{1}$, with the atom-numbering scheme; with the exception of the hydrogen atoms (which are shown as spheres with arbitrary radius) all atoms are drawn with displacement ellipsoids at the $40 \%$ probability level; longer $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bonds expanding the coordination sphere of the $\operatorname{tin}(\mathrm{II})$ atom from three, trigonalpyramidal, to four, seesaw, are drawn as dashed sticks.
dimensional coordination polymer along the $c$ axis (Fig. 1) while there are two crystallographically different MePyNO molecules in 2, resulting in a molecular structure (Fig. 2).

Distortion of the pyridine $N$-oxide ring system as a result of its coordination is established through the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C}$ [mean values: $\left.d\left(\mathrm{C}_{\text {ortho }}-\mathrm{C}_{\text {meta }}\right)=1.376(1) \AA, d\left(\mathrm{C}_{\text {meta }}-\mathrm{C}_{\text {para }}\right)=1.394(3) \AA\right]$ and the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{C}$ bond lengths [mean value: $d(\mathrm{~N}-\mathrm{C})=$ 1.347 (3) $\AA$ ], and through the endocyclic bond angles at the different carbon atoms [mean values: $\mathrm{C}_{\text {ortho }}=120.0(3)^{\circ}, \mathrm{C}_{\text {meta }}$ $\left.=120.8(2)^{\circ}, \mathrm{C}_{\text {para }}=117.1(2)^{\circ}\right]$ of the almost planar ligand. While these structural parameters are almost identical in both compounds, the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths differ significantly in $\mathbf{1}$ $[1.363$ (2) $\AA$ ] and 2 [1.333 (3)/1.340 (3) $\AA$ ) as do the endocyclic bond angles $\left[121.9(1)^{\circ}, \mathbf{1} ; 120.9(1)^{\circ}, \mathbf{2}\right]$ at the N atom. Both effects result from the different $\left(\mu_{2}, \mu_{1}\right)$ coordination modes of the ligands, which also affect the $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bond lengths that are strongly unsymmetrical [2.280 (1) to $\left.2.733(2) \AA, \mu_{2}\right]$ in $\mathbf{1}$, and less unsymmetrical $\left[2.308\right.$ (2) to 2.423 (2) $\left.\AA, \mu_{1}\right]$ in 2.

Irrespective of the controversial discussion on the hybridization ability of atomic orbitals in the case of the heavier p-block elements (Kutzelnigg, 1984), the formation of fourelectron three-center bonds (Rundle, 1963), and on the functionality of the so-called $5 s$ lone electron pair (Dénes et al., 2013) in hypervalent (Musher, 1969) tin(II) compounds,


Figure 2
The asymmetric unit of $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{MePyNO}, \mathbf{2}$, with the atom-numbering scheme; with exception of the hydrogen atoms (which are shown as spheres with arbitrary radius) all atoms are drawn with displacement ellipsoids at the $40 \%$ probability level.
the fourfold coordination sphere around the $\operatorname{tin}$ (II) atoms of $\mathbf{1}$ and 2 can be expressed very well in terms of the VSEPR concept (Gillespie \& Hargittai, 1991): its seesaw (ss) coordination results from two equatorially bonded chlorine atoms and two more electronegative and therefore axially located oxygen atoms of the Lewis base, MePyNO.

Differences in $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl}$ distances are very small [2.4850 (4) and 2.4905 (4) $\AA, \mathbf{1} ; 2.4939$ (6) and 2.5068 (6) $\AA, 2$, mean value: $2.494(9) \AA$ ] as are the bond angles $\left[95.73(1)^{\circ}, \mathbf{1}\right.$; $\left.94.59(2)^{\circ}, 2\right]$ between them. Somewhat shorter $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl}$ distances are found in the six crystallographically independent molecules of $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot$ DMF $\left[d(\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl})_{\text {mean }}=2.458(21) \AA\right.$, $\left\langle(\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl})=92.89(7)-89.09(7)^{\circ}\right]$ with a predominant trigonal-pyramidal coordination at tin, while the values in $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{DMSO}\left[d(\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl})_{\text {mean }}=2.483(8) \AA,\langle(\mathrm{Cl}-\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{Cl})=\right.$ $93.86(7)^{\circ}$ ] with a symmetrical seesaw coordination are in between.

Axes of the seesaws are bent $\left[161.40(6)^{\circ}, \mathbf{1} ; 169.66(6)^{\circ}, \mathbf{2}\right]$ towards the chlorine atoms properly due to electronic repulsion of the axial bonds through the $5 s$ free-electron pairs. The corresponding $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bonds are strongly different in both compounds, but differences are more expressed in $\mathbf{1}$ [2.280 (1) to 2.733 (1) $\left.\AA, \mu_{2}-\mathrm{O}\right]$ than in $\mathbf{2}$ [2.308 (2) to $\left.2.430(2) \AA, \mu_{1}-\mathrm{O}\right]$. Because of the great [ $0.453 \AA$ ] difference between the two $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bonds in $\mathbf{1}$, one may suggest a threefold trigonalpyramidal (tpy) tin(II) coordination instead of a fourfold seesaw (ss) coordination but valence-bond-sum calculations [parameters used: $r_{\mathrm{o}}\left(\mathrm{Sn}^{\mathrm{II}}-\mathrm{O}\right)=1.984 \AA, r_{\mathrm{o}}\left(\mathrm{Sn}^{\mathrm{II}}-\mathrm{Cl}\right)=$ $2.335 \AA, b=0.37$; Brese \& O'Keefe (1991)] on the tpy


Figure 3
Ball-and-stick model of the one-dimensional coordination polymer of $\mathbf{1}$ viewed parallel to the glide plane (blue line); symmetry codes used to generate equivalent atoms: (') $x, \frac{3}{2}-y, \frac{1}{2}+z$; (') $x, \frac{3}{2}-y,-\frac{1}{2}+z$.
coordination result in a bond-valence sum of 1.78 v.u. while the longer $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ bond in the $s s$-coordination contributes 0.13 v.u. to the bond-valence sum (1.91 v.u.). Similar calculations for $\mathbf{2}$ result in a bond-valence sum of 2.00 v.u., fully consistent with the tin oxidation state of +II .

## 3. Supramolecular features

A common feature of many $\operatorname{tin}$ (II) compounds is the nonspherical ligand distribution around the divalent tin atom for which the term 'hemidirected' has been introduced (ShimoniLivny et al., 1998). The resulting void in the hemidirected coordination sphere often gives rise to additional more or less weak intermolecular (and intramolecular if appropriate Lewis base donor atoms are sterically available) interactions with interesting supramolecular features. In case of $\mathbf{1}$, the formation of a one-dimensional coordination polymer via the $\mu_{2}$-Oatom of the MePyNO molecule can be interpreted in terms of such supramolecular interactions: in this particular case, the hemidirected coordination sphere of a molecular, trigonalpyramidal $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot \mathrm{MePyNO}$ complex is partially filled through the oxygen atom of a MePyNO molecule of a neighboring building unit. The resulting coordination polymer forms a zigzag chain as all atoms are situated off the crystallographic glide plane at $x, 1 / 4, z$ (Fig. 3). Between the zigzag chains no further Lewis base/Lewis acid interactions below $3.5 \AA$ are observed, but within the chains a very weak [3.460 (1) $\AA$ ] attractive interaction is found between Cl 2 and Sn 1 of two neighboring building units (Fig. 3).

In case of 2 the tin atom of the $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2} \cdot 2 \mathrm{MePyNO}$ molecules shows a similar hemidirected coordination sphere. In the solid state, neighboring molecules form dimers via attractive but very weak [3.225 (2) Å] Sn-O interactions. Both molecules of these dimers are related to each other via a crystallographic twofold rotation axis (Fig. 4). Even if the coordination sphere of each tin atom remains unsymmetrical in these dimeric


Figure 4
Ball-and-stick model of the dimeric aggregates found in the crystal structure of 2 looking down the crystallographic twofold rotation axis marked in red; additional $\mathrm{Sn}-\mathrm{O}$ distances are indicated by dashed sticks in gray [symmetry codes used to generate equivalent atoms marked ': $1-x, y, \frac{3}{2}-z$.]

Table 1
Experimental details.

|  | 1 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Crystal data |  |  |
| Chemical formula | $\left[\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}\right)\right]$ | $\left[\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}\right)_{2}\right]$ |
| $M_{\text {r }}$ | 298.72 | 407.84 |
| Crystal system, space group | Monoclinic, $P 2_{1} / \mathrm{c}$ | Orthorhombic, Pbcn |
| Temperature (K) | 100 | 100 |
| $a, b, c(\AA)$ | 11.7934 (4), 9.4895 (3), 8.6170 (3) | 19.9848 (8), 10.3723 (3), 14.4644 (5) |
| $\alpha, \beta, \gamma\left({ }^{\circ}\right)$ | 90, 106.455 (2), 90 | 90, 90, 90 |
| $V\left(\AA^{3}\right)$ | 924.86 (5) | 2998.30 (18) |
| Z | 4 | 8 |
| Radiation type | Mo $K \alpha$ | Mo $K \alpha$ |
| $\mu\left(\mathrm{mm}^{-1}\right)$ | 3.28 | 2.06 |
| Crystal size (mm) | $0.49 \times 0.17 \times 0.06$ | $0.47 \times 0.11 \times 0.07$ |
| Data collection |  |  |
| Diffractometer | Bruker APEXII CCD | Bruker APEXII CCD |
| Absorption correction | Multi-scan (SADABS; Krause et al., 2015) | Multi-scan (SADABS; Krause et al., 2015) |
| $T_{\text {min }}, T_{\text {max }}$ | 0.298, 0.817 | 0.442, 0.866 |
| No. of measured, independent and observed $[I>2 \sigma(I)]$ reflections | 86401, 2232, 2132 | 136234, 3626, 3086 |
| $R_{\text {int }}$ | 0.039 | 0.090 |
| $(\sin \theta / \lambda)_{\text {max }}\left(\AA^{-1}\right)$ | 0.661 | 0.660 |
| Refinement |  |  |
| $R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right], w R\left(F^{2}\right), S$ | 0.013, 0.032, 1.12 | 0.025, 0.064, 1.10 |
| No. of reflections | 2232 | 3626 |
| No. of parameters | 103 | 178 |
| H -atom treatment | H -atom parameters constrained | H -atom parameters constrained |
| $\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}, \Delta \rho_{\text {min }}\left(\mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}\right)$ | 0.41, -0.49 | 0.81, -0.33 |

 2020) and publCIF (Westrip, 2010).
aggregates (Fig. 5), no further intermolecular interactions could be observed below 3.5 Å.

## 4. Synthesis and crystallization

Both complexes are formed side by side on a reaction plate in the same micro-scale experiment when small amounts (about


Figure 5
Space-filling model of the dimeric aggregates found in the crystal structure of 2 looking down into the voids on the backside of the tin atoms; color code used: $\mathrm{Cl}=$ green, $\mathrm{O}=$ red, $\mathrm{N}=$ blue, $\mathrm{C}=$ black, $\mathrm{H}=$ gray, $\mathrm{Sn}=$ yellow.

100 mg ) of $\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}$ (Sigma-Aldrich) and an excess of 4MePyNO (Alfa Aesar) are overlaid with a few drops of $\mathrm{N}, \mathrm{N}$ dimethylformamide (Fluka) as solvent. Compound 1 forms colorless, elongated plates, while 2 crystallizes in the form of small, colorless prisms.

## 5. Refinement

Crystal data, data collection and structure refinement details of $\mathbf{1}$ and $\mathbf{2}$ are summarized in Table 1 . All H atoms were clearly identified in difference-Fourier syntheses but were refined with idealized positions and allowed to ride on their parent carbon atoms with $0.98 \AA\left(-\mathrm{CH}_{3}\right)$, and $0.95 \AA\left(-\mathrm{CH}_{\text {arom }}\right)$ and with common isotropic temperature factors for all hydrogen atoms of the aromatic rings and methyl groups.

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## supporting information

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## Computing details

For both structures, data collection: APEX2 (Bruker, 2009); cell refinement: SAINT (Bruker, 2009); data reduction: SAINT (Bruker, 2009); program(s) used to solve structure: SHELXS97 (Sheldrick, 2008); program(s) used to refine structure: SHELXL2014/7 (Sheldrick, 2015); molecular graphics: DIAMOND (Brandenburg, 2006) and Mercury (Macrae et al., 2020); software used to prepare material for publication: publCIF (Westrip, 2010).
catena-Poly[[dichloridotin(II)]- $\mu_{2-}$-(4-methylpyridine $N$-oxide)- $\left.\kappa^{2} O: O\right]$ (1

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}\right)\right]$
$M_{r}=298.72$
Monoclinic, $P 2{ }_{1} / c$
$a=11.7934$ (4) $\AA$
$b=9.4895$ (3) $\AA$
$c=8.6170$ ( 3 ) $\AA$
$\beta=106.455(2)^{\circ}$
$V=924.86(5) \AA^{3}$
$Z=4$

## Data collection

Bruker APEXII CCD
diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Krause et al., 2015)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.298, T_{\text {max }}=0.817$
86401 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
Least-squares matrix: full
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.013$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.032$
$S=1.12$
2232 reflections
103 parameters
0 restraints

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F(000)=568
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$D_{\mathrm{x}}=2.145 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation, $\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 9441 reflections
$\theta=2.8-28.3^{\circ}$
$\mu=3.28 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=100 \mathrm{~K}$
Plate, colourless
$0.49 \times 0.17 \times 0.06 \mathrm{~mm}$

2232 independent reflections
2132 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.039$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=28.0^{\circ}, \theta_{\text {min }}=3.3^{\circ}$
$h=-15 \rightarrow 15$
$k=-12 \rightarrow 12$
$l=-11 \rightarrow 11$

Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
H -atom parameters constrained
$w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}^{2}\right)+(0.0134 P)^{2}+0.6437 P\right]$
where $P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}^{2}\right) / 3$
$(\Delta / \sigma)_{\text {max }}=0.003$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {max }}=0.41 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$
$\Delta \rho_{\text {min }}=-0.49 \mathrm{e}^{-3}$

## Special details

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Fractional atomic coordinates and isotropic or equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ( $\boldsymbol{A}^{2}$ )

|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\mathrm{iso}}{ }^{*} / U_{\mathrm{eq}}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sn1 | $0.65817(2)$ | $0.77494(2)$ | $0.40278(2)$ | $0.01249(4)$ |
| C11 | $0.86766(3)$ | $0.70601(4)$ | $0.43743(5)$ | $0.01738(8)$ |
| C12 | $0.57006(3)$ | $0.57820(4)$ | $0.21746(4)$ | $0.01829(8)$ |
| O1 | $0.65673(9)$ | $0.62193(11)$ | $0.60614(13)$ | $0.0130(2)$ |
| N1 | $0.70802(11)$ | $0.49228(13)$ | $0.61676(15)$ | $0.0114(2)$ |
| C2 | $0.82254(13)$ | $0.47923(17)$ | $0.70246(18)$ | $0.0142(3)$ |
| H2 | 0.8666 | 0.5598 | 0.7501 | $0.021(2)^{*}$ |
| C3 | $0.87519(14)$ | $0.34877(17)$ | $0.72050(19)$ | $0.0157(3)$ |
| H3 | 0.9558 | 0.3397 | 0.7812 | $0.021(2)^{*}$ |
| C4 | $0.81191(14)$ | $0.22964(16)$ | $0.65083(19)$ | $0.0146(3)$ |
| C5 | $0.69385(14)$ | $0.24895(17)$ | $0.5615(2)$ | $0.0166(3)$ |
| H5 | 0.6482 | 0.1704 | 0.5111 | $0.021(2)^{*}$ |
| C6 | $0.64331(13)$ | $0.38104(16)$ | $0.54603(18)$ | $0.0143(3)$ |
| H6 | 0.5630 | 0.3934 | 0.4856 | $0.021(2)^{*}$ |
| C7 | $0.86871(15)$ | $0.08689(17)$ | $0.6700(2)$ | $0.0215(3)$ |
| H71 | 0.9108 | 0.0742 | 0.5880 | $0.051(4)^{*}$ |
| H72 | 0.8077 | 0.0141 | 0.6566 | $0.051(4)^{*}$ |
| H73 | 0.9247 | 0.0790 | 0.7781 | $0.051(4)^{*}$ |

Atomic displacement parameters $\left(\AA^{2}\right)$

|  | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sn1 | $0.01487(6)$ | $0.01142(6)$ | $0.01145(6)$ | $0.00176(4)$ | $0.00415(4)$ | $0.00048(4)$ |
| C11 | $0.01430(17)$ | $0.01858(18)$ | $0.01902(18)$ | $0.00012(14)$ | $0.00435(14)$ | $0.00240(14)$ |
| C12 | $0.02132(18)$ | $0.01852(18)$ | $0.01377(17)$ | $-0.00592(15)$ | $0.00295(14)$ | $-0.00073(14)$ |
| O1 | $0.0161(5)$ | $0.0100(5)$ | $0.0138(5)$ | $0.0050(4)$ | $0.0055(4)$ | $0.0021(4)$ |
| N1 | $0.0125(6)$ | $0.0099(6)$ | $0.0120(6)$ | $0.0021(5)$ | $0.0036(5)$ | $0.0018(5)$ |
| C2 | $0.0134(7)$ | $0.0136(7)$ | $0.0142(7)$ | $-0.0013(6)$ | $0.0018(6)$ | $-0.0007(6)$ |
| C3 | $0.0123(7)$ | $0.0157(7)$ | $0.0170(7)$ | $0.0016(6)$ | $0.0008(6)$ | $0.0017(6)$ |
| C4 | $0.0157(7)$ | $0.0113(7)$ | $0.0163(7)$ | $0.0009(6)$ | $0.0038(6)$ | $0.0012(6)$ |
| C5 | $0.0145(7)$ | $0.0133(7)$ | $0.0197(8)$ | $-0.0025(6)$ | $0.0011(6)$ | $-0.0009(6)$ |
| C6 | $0.0122(7)$ | $0.0146(7)$ | $0.0152(7)$ | $-0.0018(6)$ | $0.0023(6)$ | $0.0008(6)$ |
| C7 | $0.0194(8)$ | $0.0121(7)$ | $0.0300(9)$ | $0.0024(6)$ | $0.0022(7)$ | $0.0006(7)$ |

Geometric parameters ( $\AA,{ }^{\circ}$ )

| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | $2.2795(10)$ | $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3$ | 0.9500 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 2$ | $2.4850(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 5$ | $1.399(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1$ | $2.4905(4)$ | $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 7$ | $1.499(2)$ |


| O1-N1 | 1.3626 (16) | C5-C6 | 1.378 (2) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N1-C6 | 1.343 (2) | C5-H5 | 0.9500 |
| N1-C2 | 1.3490 (19) | C6-H6 | 0.9500 |
| C2-C3 | 1.374 (2) | C7-H71 | 0.9800 |
| $\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2$ | 0.9500 | C7-H72 | 0.9800 |
| C3-C4 | 1.393 (2) | C7-H73 | 0.9800 |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl2}$ | 85.56 (3) | C3-C4-C7 | 121.16 (14) |
| O1-Sn1-Cl1 | 87.92 (3) | C5-C4-C7 | 121.53 (14) |
| C12-Sn1-Cl1 | 95.726 (14) | C6-C5-C4 | 120.54 (15) |
| N1-O1-Sn1 | 121.80 (8) | C6-C5-H5 | 119.7 |
| C6-N1-C2 | 121.88 (13) | C4-C5-H5 | 119.7 |
| C6-N1-O1 | 119.66 (12) | N1-C6-C5 | 119.76 (14) |
| C2-N1-O1 | 118.44 (12) | N1-C6-H6 | 120.1 |
| N1-C2-C3 | 119.67 (14) | C5-C6-H6 | 120.1 |
| N1-C2-H2 | 120.2 | C4-C7-H71 | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{C} 2-\mathrm{H} 2$ | 120.2 | C4-C7-H72 | 109.5 |
| C2-C3-C4 | 120.83 (14) | H71-C7-H72 | 109.5 |
| C2-C3-H3 | 119.6 | C4-C7- H 73 | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{C} 4-\mathrm{C} 3-\mathrm{H} 3$ | 119.6 | H71-C7- 773 | 109.5 |
| C3-C4-C5 | 117.31 (14) | H72-C7-H73 | 109.5 |

Dichloridobis(4-methylpyridine $N$-oxide- $\kappa \mathrm{O}$ )tin(II) (2)

## Crystal data

$\left[\mathrm{SnCl}_{2}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{7} \mathrm{NO}\right)_{2}\right]$
$M_{r}=407.84$
Orthorhombic, Pbcn
$a=19.9848$ (8) $\AA$
$b=10.3723$ (3) $\AA$
$c=14.4644(5) \AA$
$V=2998.30(18) \AA^{3}$
$Z=8$
$F(000)=1600$

## Data collection

## Bruker APEXII CCD

diffractometer
$\varphi$ and $\omega$ scans
Absorption correction: multi-scan
(SADABS; Krause et al., 2015)
$T_{\text {min }}=0.442, T_{\text {max }}=0.866$
136234 measured reflections

## Refinement

Refinement on $F^{2}$
Least-squares matrix: full
$R\left[F^{2}>2 \sigma\left(F^{2}\right)\right]=0.025$
$w R\left(F^{2}\right)=0.064$
$S=1.10$
3626 reflections
$D_{\mathrm{x}}=1.807 \mathrm{Mg} \mathrm{m}^{-3}$
Mo $K \alpha$ radiation, $\lambda=0.71073 \AA$
Cell parameters from 9991 reflections
$\theta=2.6-27.2^{\circ}$
$\mu=2.06 \mathrm{~mm}^{-1}$
$T=100 \mathrm{~K}$
Rod, colourless
$0.47 \times 0.11 \times 0.07 \mathrm{~mm}$

3626 independent reflections
3086 reflections with $I>2 \sigma(I)$
$R_{\text {int }}=0.090$
$\theta_{\text {max }}=28.0^{\circ}, \theta_{\text {min }}=2.6^{\circ}$
$h=-26 \rightarrow 26$
$k=-13 \rightarrow 13$
$l=-19 \rightarrow 19$

178 parameters
0 restraints
Hydrogen site location: inferred from neighbouring sites
H -atom parameters constrained

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\(w=1 /\left[\sigma^{2}\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}\right)+(0.0279 P)^{2}+2.7839 P\right]\)
    where \(P=\left(F_{\mathrm{o}}{ }^{2}+2 F_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{2}\right) / 3\)
\((\Delta / \sigma)_{\max }=0.001\)
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$$
\begin{aligned}
& \Delta \rho_{\max }=0.81 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3} \\
& \Delta \rho_{\min }=-0.33 \mathrm{e} \AA^{-3}
\end{aligned}
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|  | $x$ | $y$ | $z$ | $U_{\text {iso }} * / U_{\text {eq }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sn1 | 0.55158 (2) | 0.16754 (2) | 0.64760 (2) | 0.02085 (6) |
| Cl 1 | 0.55438 (3) | 0.40624 (6) | 0.62730 (4) | 0.02477 (13) |
| Cl 2 | 0.66633 (3) | 0.13226 (7) | 0.58237 (5) | 0.03087 (14) |
| O1 | 0.60299 (9) | 0.21147 (17) | 0.79652 (12) | 0.0288 (4) |
| N1 | 0.63657 (10) | 0.31475 (19) | 0.82579 (14) | 0.0218 (4) |
| C12 | 0.62539 (12) | 0.3580 (2) | 0.91192 (17) | 0.0229 (5) |
| H12 | 0.5917 | 0.3191 | 0.9489 | 0.029 (4)* |
| C13 | 0.66263 (11) | 0.4585 (2) | 0.94668 (17) | 0.0231 (5) |
| H13 | 0.6548 | 0.4874 | 1.0081 | 0.029 (4)* |
| C14 | 0.71145 (12) | 0.5186 (2) | 0.89344 (17) | 0.0233 (5) |
| C15 | 0.71995 (11) | 0.4734 (2) | 0.80348 (17) | 0.0242 (5) |
| H15 | 0.7518 | 0.5135 | 0.7641 | 0.029 (4)* |
| C16 | 0.68266 (12) | 0.3714 (2) | 0.77119 (17) | 0.0243 (5) |
| H16 | 0.6894 | 0.3407 | 0.7100 | 0.029 (4)* |
| C17 | 0.75292 (14) | 0.6270 (3) | 0.9311 (2) | 0.0335 (6) |
| H17A | 0.7345 | 0.7095 | 0.9100 | 0.068 (7)* |
| H17B | 0.7991 | 0.6183 | 0.9092 | 0.068 (7)* |
| H17C | 0.7523 | 0.6241 | 0.9989 | 0.068 (7)* |
| O2 | 0.50452 (9) | 0.16530 (16) | 0.50191 (12) | 0.0236 (4) |
| N2 | 0.53989 (9) | 0.18673 (19) | 0.42470 (13) | 0.0193 (4) |
| C22 | 0.57330 (12) | 0.0882 (2) | 0.38493 (17) | 0.0218 (5) |
| H22 | 0.5738 | 0.0058 | 0.4137 | 0.023 (3)* |
| C23 | 0.60658 (11) | 0.1070 (2) | 0.30287 (17) | 0.0236 (5) |
| H23 | 0.6299 | 0.0371 | 0.2753 | 0.023 (3)* |
| C24 | 0.60656 (12) | 0.2270 (2) | 0.25955 (17) | 0.0235 (5) |
| C25 | 0.57304 (13) | 0.3268 (2) | 0.30435 (17) | 0.0230 (5) |
| H25 | 0.5728 | 0.4106 | 0.2778 | 0.023 (3)* |
| C26 | 0.54027 (12) | 0.3055 (2) | 0.38668 (18) | 0.0214 (5) |
| H26 | 0.5179 | 0.3745 | 0.4168 | 0.023 (3)* |
| C27 | 0.64072 (15) | 0.2477 (3) | 0.16818 (19) | 0.0350 (6) |
| H27A | 0.6890 | 0.2567 | 0.1780 | 0.097 (10)* |
| H27B | 0.6233 | 0.3261 | 0.1392 | 0.097 (10)* |
| H27C | 0.6322 | 0.1736 | 0.1278 | 0.097 (10)* |

Atomic displacement parameters $\left(\hat{A}^{2}\right)$

|  | $U^{11}$ | $U^{22}$ | $U^{33}$ | $U^{12}$ | $U^{13}$ | $U^{23}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sn1 | 0.02042 (9) | 0.01901 (10) | 0.02311 (9) | -0.00041 (6) | 0.00035 (6) | 0.00205 (6) |
| Cl1 | 0.0277 (3) | 0.0191 (3) | 0.0275 (3) | 0.0016 (2) | 0.0005 (2) | 0.0005 (2) |
| Cl 2 | 0.0220 (3) | 0.0358 (3) | 0.0348 (3) | 0.0041 (2) | 0.0026 (2) | -0.0067 (3) |
| O1 | 0.0351 (10) | 0.0244 (9) | 0.0270 (9) | -0.0098 (8) | -0.0062 (8) | 0.0017 (7) |
| N1 | 0.0213 (10) | 0.0195 (10) | 0.0247 (10) | -0.0023 (8) | -0.0028 (8) | 0.0013 (8) |
| C12 | 0.0193 (11) | 0.0250 (12) | 0.0243 (12) | 0.0016 (9) | 0.0014 (9) | 0.0039 (9) |
| C13 | 0.0218 (11) | 0.0237 (12) | 0.0240 (11) | 0.0028 (9) | 0.0002 (9) | 0.0005 (9) |
| C14 | 0.0208 (11) | 0.0191 (12) | 0.0298 (12) | 0.0008 (9) | -0.0008 (10) | 0.0018 (10) |
| C15 | 0.0177 (10) | 0.0270 (13) | 0.0280 (12) | -0.0001 (9) | 0.0013 (9) | 0.0066 (10) |
| C16 | 0.0213 (11) | 0.0289 (12) | 0.0227 (12) | 0.0016 (10) | 0.0017 (9) | 0.0031 (10) |
| C17 | 0.0350 (14) | 0.0257 (13) | 0.0398 (15) | -0.0099 (11) | 0.0013 (12) | -0.0001 (12) |
| O2 | 0.0227 (8) | 0.0262 (9) | 0.0218 (8) | -0.0026 (7) | 0.0007 (7) | 0.0017 (7) |
| N2 | 0.0184 (9) | 0.0193 (10) | 0.0202 (10) | -0.0010 (7) | -0.0036 (7) | -0.0004 (7) |
| C22 | 0.0226 (11) | 0.0149 (11) | 0.0277 (12) | -0.0015 (9) | -0.0062 (9) | -0.0008 (9) |
| C23 | 0.0198 (11) | 0.0231 (12) | 0.0278 (12) | 0.0021 (9) | -0.0037 (9) | -0.0066 (10) |
| C24 | 0.0189 (11) | 0.0292 (13) | 0.0225 (11) | -0.0031 (10) | -0.0038 (9) | -0.0023 (10) |
| C25 | 0.0249 (11) | 0.0177 (11) | 0.0262 (12) | -0.0030 (9) | -0.0031 (10) | 0.0024 (9) |
| C26 | 0.0214 (11) | 0.0183 (11) | 0.0246 (11) | 0.0022 (9) | -0.0033 (9) | -0.0007 (9) |
| C27 | 0.0352 (14) | 0.0400 (16) | 0.0298 (14) | -0.0019 (13) | 0.0035 (11) | 0.0004 (12) |

Geometric parameters $\left(\begin{array}{l} \\ A\end{array},{ }^{\circ}\right)$

| Sn1-O2 | 2.3078 (17) | C17-H17B | 0.9800 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sn1-O1 | 2.4296 (17) | C17-H17C | 0.9800 |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 1$ | 2.4939 (6) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{N} 2$ | 1.340 (3) |
| $\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 2$ | 2.5068 (6) | N2-C26 | 1.349 (3) |
| O1-N1 | 1.333 (3) | N2-C22 | 1.350 (3) |
| N1-C12 | 1.343 (3) | C22-C23 | 1.375 (4) |
| N1-C16 | 1.348 (3) | C22-H22 | 0.9500 |
| C12-C13 | 1.377 (3) | C23-C24 | 1.393 (4) |
| C12-H12 | 0.9500 | C23-H23 | 0.9500 |
| C13-C14 | 1.390 (3) | C24-C25 | 1.393 (3) |
| C13-H13 | 0.9500 | C24-C27 | 1.503 (4) |
| C14-C15 | 1.393 (3) | C25-C26 | 1.377 (4) |
| C14-C17 | 1.500 (3) | C25-H25 | 0.9500 |
| C15-C16 | 1.376 (3) | C26-H26 | 0.9500 |
| C15-H15 | 0.9500 | C27-H27A | 0.9800 |
| C16-H16 | 0.9500 | C27-H27B | 0.9800 |
| C17-H17A | 0.9800 | C27-H27C | 0.9800 |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{O} 1$ | 169.66 (6) | C14-C17-H17C | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl1}$ | 84.93 (4) | H17A-C17-H17C | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl1}$ | 84.76 (4) | H17B-C17-H17C | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl2}$ | 91.58 (5) | N2-O2-Sn1 | 122.98 (13) |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 2$ | 88.52 (5) | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 26$ | 119.6 (2) |

## supporting information

| $\mathrm{C} 11-\mathrm{Sn} 1-\mathrm{Cl} 2$ | $94.59(2)$ | $\mathrm{O} 2-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 22$ | $119.37(19)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{Sn} 1$ | $130.18(14)$ | $\mathrm{C} 26-\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 22$ | $121.0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 12$ | $118.6(2)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{C} 23$ | $120.0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{O} 1-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 16$ | $120.5(2)$ | $\mathrm{N} 2-\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{H} 22$ | 120.0 |
| $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 16$ | $120.8(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{H} 22$ | 120.0 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 13$ | $120.1(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{C} 24$ | $121.0(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{N} 1-\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{H} 12$ | 119.9 | $\mathrm{C} 22-\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{H} 23$ | 119.5 |
| $\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{H} 12$ | 119.9 | $\mathrm{C} 24-\mathrm{C} 23-\mathrm{H} 23$ | 119.5 |
| $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 14$ | $121.1(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 25-\mathrm{C} 24-\mathrm{C} 23$ | $117.1(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 12-\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{H} 13$ | 119.4 | C 27 | $121.4(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{H} 13$ | 119.4 | $\mathrm{C} 26-\mathrm{C} 25-\mathrm{C} 24$ | $121.5(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 15$ | $116.9(2)$ | $\mathrm{C} 24-\mathrm{C} 25-\mathrm{C} 25-\mathrm{H} 25$ | $120.7(2)$ |
| $\mathrm{C} 13-\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 17$ | $\mathrm{~N} 25-\mathrm{C} 26-\mathrm{C} 25$ | 119.6 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 17$ | $\mathrm{C} 25-\mathrm{C} 26-\mathrm{H} 26$ | 119.6 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{C} 14$ | $\mathrm{C} 24-\mathrm{C} 27-\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{~A}$ | $120.2(2)$ |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{H} 15$ | $\mathrm{C} 24-\mathrm{C} 27-\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{~B}$ | 119.9 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{H} 15$ | $121.6(2)$ | $\mathrm{H} 27-\mathrm{C} 27-\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{~B}$ | 119.9 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{C} 15$ | 119.7 | $\mathrm{C} 24-\mathrm{C} 27-\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{C}$ | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{~N} 1-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{H} 16$ | 119.7 | $\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{C}-\mathrm{C} 27-\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{C}$ | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{C} 15-\mathrm{C} 16-\mathrm{H} 16$ | $120.4(2)$ | $\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{~B}-\mathrm{C} 27-\mathrm{H} 27 \mathrm{C}$ | 109.5 |
| $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{H} 17 \mathrm{~A}$ |  | 109.5 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} 14-\mathrm{C} 17-\mathrm{H} 17 \mathrm{~B}$ | 119.8 | 109.5 |  |

