

SYNTHESIS AND INFRARED STUDY OF $3(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{SnBr}_4$ AND $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot \text{SnBr}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$

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Abstract: On allowing $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4$ to react with SnBr_4 in specific ratios $3(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{SnBr}_4$ and $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot \text{SnBr}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ adducts were obtained. Their infrared studies have been carried out allowing to suggest a discrete and an infinite chain structures.

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INTRODUCTION

Since several years, the organotin chemistry has been subject of big interest due to its growing applications in numerous fields: medicine (antitumour activity), agriculture (pesticides), industry (antifouling paints), etc [1]. Many research groups have been focusing in finding new molecules of this family [2-9]. In our laboratory, studies on the coordinating nature of the oxyanions within organotin (IV) family of compounds have yet been published [10-14].

We initiate in this paper the study of the interactions between $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4$ and SnBr_4 in specific ratios which have yielded $3(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{SnBr}_4$ and $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot \text{SnBr}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ adducts, infrared studies of each compound have been carried out and based on these data structures were suggested.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

$(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4$ has been obtained as a powder on neutralizing H_2MoO_4 with a 20 % water solution of Me_4NOH and allowing the water to evaporate at 60 °C. On allowing $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4$ as ethanolic solution to react with SnBr_4 as benzene solution respectively in 1/2 and 1/1 ratios, a yellow precipitate is obtained, stirred around two hours and filtered. The analytical data reported below (Table 1), allow suggesting the following formulae: $3(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{SnBr}_4$ for [A] and $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot \text{SnBr}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$ for [B].

Table 1. Results of the elemental analyses

Compound	Chemical formula	Elemental analysis (%)							
		C		H		N		Br	
		calc.	found	calc.	found	calc.	found	calc.	found
A	$3(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{SnBr}_4$	14.28	14.15	3.82	3.81	4.45	4.36	33.96	33.53
B	$(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot \text{SnBr}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	12.11	11.98	3.28	3.25	3.53	3.54	40.39	40.10

The elemental analyses were performed by the laboratory of Microanalyses – University of Padova – Italy. The infrared spectra have been recorded at the University of Padova-Italy- by means of a Perkin Elmer spectrometer using CsI windows, the sample being as Nujol mulls. Infrared data are given in cm^{-1} (IR abbreviations: (vs) very strong, (s) strong, (m) medium, (w) weak, (vw) very weak). All the chemicals were purchased from Aldrich-Germany- and used as such.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Let us consider the infrared data of the studied compounds: $\nu_1 + \nu_3$: 912w, 869m, 829s, 771vs, 700w; $\nu_2 + \nu_4$: 405m, 375m, 368m, 354s; $\nu_{\text{Sn-O}}$: 260w, $\nu_{\text{asSn-Br}_4}$: 208vs for (A);

$\nu_1 + \nu_3$: 906w, 842w, 806s, 775sh; $\nu_2 + \nu_4$: 489s, 476vs, 464vs, 457s; $\nu_{\text{Sn-O}}$: 260vw, $\nu_{\text{asSn-Br}_4}$: 210vs for (**B**).

The sharpness of $\nu_{\text{as}}(\text{SnBr}_4)$ in the two adducts indicate D_{4h} symmetry. From the infrared data we suggest discrete [**A**] (Figure 1) and infinite chain [**B**] (Figure 2) structures. The environment around the tin atom is octahedral, the molybdate anion behaving as a monocoordinating and a bridging bidentate ligand.

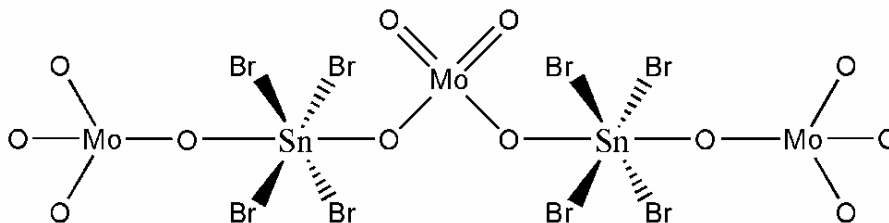


Figure 1. Proposed structure for $3(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot 2\text{SnBr}_4$

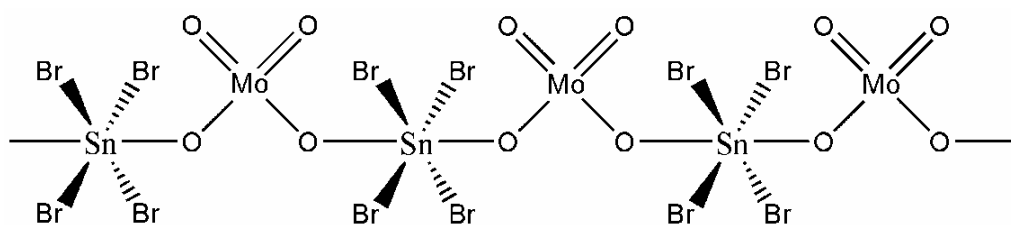


Figure 2. Proposed structure for $(\text{Me}_4\text{N})_2\text{MoO}_4 \cdot \text{SnBr}_4 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$

CONCLUSIONS

The molybdate adducts studied here have a discrete and an infinite chain structure, the environment around the tin (IV) being octahedral while the molybdate anion behaves a monocoordinating or a bridging ligand.

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