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# SYNTHESIS AND INFRARED STUDY OF SOME SULFATO TRIORGANOTIN DERIVATIVES AND ADDUCTS

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**Abstract:** On allowing ethylenediammonium sulfate or  $Me_4NSO_4H$  to react with  $SnPh_3Cl$  or  $SnBu_2Cl_2$  in ethanolic media in specific ratios the three sulfato complexes were obtained and their infrared study carried out. The molecular structures of these compounds have been proposed on the basis of the infrared data. Discrete structures are suggested: the sulfate anion is tetradentate in two of them and monodentate in the other, the tin center being in a trigonal bipyramidal environment in all the structures. When the ethylenediammonium ion is involved through hydrogen bonds, dimeric structures may be obtained.

**Keywords:** coordinating sulfate, dimeric structures, infrared, planar  $SnR_3$  residue (R = Ph, Bu)

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The organotin (IV) molecules are known as wood preservatives, anti-fouling paints, drugs, etc. [1 - 7]. This is why several groups including our [8 - 10] have been focusing in the synthesis of new compounds of this family. In this paper we have initiated the study of the interactions between ethylenediammonium sulfate (enH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) or Me<sub>4</sub>NSO<sub>4</sub>H and SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl or SnBu<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> which have yielded the three complexes, infrared studies of which have been carried out, then structures suggested on the basis of infrared data.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

When ethanolic solutions containing 0.174 g (0.45 mmol) of SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl and 0.071 g (0.45 mmol) of  $enH_2SO_4$  are mixed a clear solution is obtained, stirred for two hours and submitted to a slow solvent evaporation, a white powder is collected. The analytical data - % calculated (% found) C: 43.70 (43.92); H: 4.71 (4.69); N: 5.10 (5.22) - have allowed to suggest  $enH_2SO_4$ ·SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl·1/3H<sub>2</sub>O (A) as formula.

When ethanolic solutions containing 0.096 g (0.25 mmol) of SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl and 0.086 g (0.50 mmol) of Me<sub>4</sub>NSO<sub>4</sub>H are mixed the clear solution obtained is stirred for two hours and submitted to a slow solvent evaporation, a white powder is collected. The analytical data - % calculated (% found) C: 51.40 (51.16); H: 4.64 (4.21); N: 1.50 (1.79) - have allowed to suggest (Me<sub>4</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>·4SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl·H<sub>2</sub>O·1/4SnCl<sub>4</sub> (**B**) as formula.

When ethanolic solutions containing 0.091 g (0.30 mmol) of  $\text{SnBu}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and 0.047 g (0.30 mmol) of  $\text{enH}_2\text{SO}_4$  are mixed the clear solution obtained is stirred for two hours and submitted to a slow solvent evaporation, a white powder is collected. The analytical data - % calculated (% found) **C**: 40.63 (40.50); **H**: 8.18 (7.31); **N**: 1.90 (1.79) - have allowed to suggest  $\text{enH}_2\text{SO}_4$ ·4SnBu<sub>3</sub>Cl·H<sub>2</sub>O (**C**) as formula.

The elemental analyses were performed by the Microanalyses Laboratory of the Department of Chemistry, University of Bath (UK). The infrared spectra were recorded by FTIR-Nicolet (4000-400 cm<sup>-1</sup>) spectrometers at the University of Addis Ababa (Ethiopia) and Dakar University (Senegal), the sample being as Nujol mulls, using CsI windows. Infrared data are given in cm<sup>-1</sup> [IR abbreviations: (br) broad, (vs) very strong, (s) strong, (m) medium, (sh) shoulder, (w) weak), (vw) very weak].

All the chemicals were purchased from Aldrich and used without any further purification.

## **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

Let us consider the infrared data (cm<sup>-1</sup>): - for **A**:  $v_3(SO_4) = 1123$  s;  $v_1(SO_4) = 995$  sh;  $v_4(SO_4) = 662$  sh; v(Ph) = 695 s, 728 s;  $v(NH_2) = 2900$  br; - for **B**:  $v_3(SO_4) = 1074$  s;  $v_4(SO_4) = 613$  vs; v(Ph) = 695 s, 728 s;

- for **C**:  $v_3(SO_4) = 1107$  vs;  $v_1(SO_4) = 991$  sh;  $v_4(SO_4) = 593$  m;  $v_2(SO_4) = 485$  vw;  $v_s(SnBu_3) = 621$  m;  $v(NH_2) = 2900$  br.

## Characterization of enH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>·SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl·1/3H<sub>2</sub>O (A)

The broad band centered at 2900 cm<sup>-1</sup> indicates the existence of hydrogen bonds. The absence of  $v_1(SO_4)$  band and the presence of  $v_3(SO_4)$  as one band indicate that the  $SO_4^{2^-}$  anion has a Td symmetry according to the Theory Group [11].

On the basis of these infrared data, the structure suggested is a dinuclear dimer in which the tin atoms are trans-coordinated in a trigonal bipyramidal environment. In each monomer, the  $SO_4^{2-}$  anion is monodentate and coordinates the SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl molecule, the two  $[SO_4SnPh_3Cl]^{2-}$  anionic components being then linked by NH.....O hydrogen bonds. The free protons of ethylenediammonium cations and oxygen atoms of the sulfate anions may interact through hydrogen bonds thus giving a supramolecular architecture (Figure 1).



Figure 1. The proposed structure for the compound A

#### Characterization of (Me<sub>4</sub>N)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>·4SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl·H<sub>2</sub>O·1/4SnCl<sub>4</sub> (B)

The appearance of both  $v_3(SO_4)$  and  $v_4(SO_4)$  as one band and the absence of  $v_1(SO_4)$  and  $v_2(SO_4)$  bands allow to justify the Td symmetry according to the Theory Group applied to the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> anion [11].

The proposed structure is discrete and consists of a central sulfate anion tetracoordinated to four SnPh<sub>3</sub>Cl molecules conferring thus to SnC<sub>3</sub> skeletons a planar geometry (Figure 2).



Figure 2. The proposed structure for the compound B

## Characterization of enH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>·4SnBu<sub>3</sub>Cl·H<sub>2</sub>O (C)

It seems worthy to outline the alkylation of the SnBu<sub>2</sub> group into a SnBu<sub>3</sub> residue in this compound. The appearance of  $v_1(SO_4)$  band as shoulder and the very weak  $v_2(SO_4)$  band indicate that the SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup> has Td symmetry according to the Theory Group [11]. The appearance of  $v_s(SnBu_3)$  as a medium band at 621 cm<sup>-1</sup> is an indication of a non-planar SnBu<sub>3</sub> residue. The broad band centered at 2900 cm<sup>-1</sup> proves the existence of hydrogen bonds in the structure.

The proposed structure is a dimer in which each of the two  $SO_4^{2-}$  anions is tetracoordinated to four SnBu<sub>3</sub>Cl molecules (Figure 3).



Figure 3. The proposed structure for the compound C

The two tetra-coordinated  $SO_4^{2-}$  anions may be linked by hydrogen bonds involving all the oxygen atoms from the  $SO_4^{2-}$  anions and the labile hydrogen atoms from the two ethylenediammonium cations.

## CONCLUSIONS

The studied adducts have discrete and dimeric structures; the tin centre is in a trigonal bipyramidal environment and the sulfate being monodentate and tetradentate. Hydrogen bonded macromolecules may be obtained because of the presence of cations.

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