

Synthesis, Characteristic Spectral Studies and in Vitro Antibacterial Activity of a Novel Stannane

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Abstract—Stannanes are chemical compounds having tin bonded to some hydrocarbon substituents. These complexes fall under the category of organometallics. Stannanes can have various biological applications when the ligand used itself has antiseptic and disinfectant characteristics. In the present work, 1,3-dihydroxybenzene abbreviated as RCL by the common name Resorcinol would undergo complex formation with Dibutyltin oxide by the azeotropic removal of water molecule using benzene-ethanol medium in completely dried reaction system. The complex thus synthesized was characterized by various spectroscopic techniques. The Ultraviolet-visible spectra depicted a bathochromic shift from the electronic transitions in ligand due to complex formation. The FT-IR spectra have shown the expected functional groups peaks for Sn-O bond formation as well as other relevant peaks. ¹H NMR and ¹³C NMR were recorded which duly confirms the successful synthesis of complex by the above quoted method. Powder XRD is one of the most important characterization tool and thus XRD pattern was also recorded for the solid orange colored complex. Since each crystalline solid has its unique XRD characteristic for its identification and thus we can determine the size and shape of unit cell for any compound or complex. The light orange colored complex thus obtained was screened for in vitro antibacterial activity against both gram-positive & gram-negative bacteria and found to be more biologically active than ligand. Stannanes inhibited the growth of microorganisms, it has been assumed that the production of an enzyme is being affected hence the organisms were less able to metabolize nutrients and consequently growth is ceased. The Complex exhibited a good antibacterial and antifungal potency higher than that of the corresponding ligand but lower than that of the parent stannane, hence can be potential anti-biofouling agents, bactericides or fungicides.

1. INTRODUCTION

Stannanes are chemical compounds containing tin bonded to the hydrocarbons. These complexes fall under the category of organometallics. Stannanes are generally classified according to their oxidation states as they exists in various stable oxidation states. Tin(IV) complexes are much more useful and effective as stabilizers, industrial biocides, wood preservative, antifouling agents etc. The entire series $R_{4-n}SnCl_n$ are known for many R groups and values of n up to 4. The tetragonal derivatives are invariably tetrahedral. The parent member of the series, stannane (SnH_4), is an unstable colorless gas. The main class of stannanes are diorganotin dithiolates with the

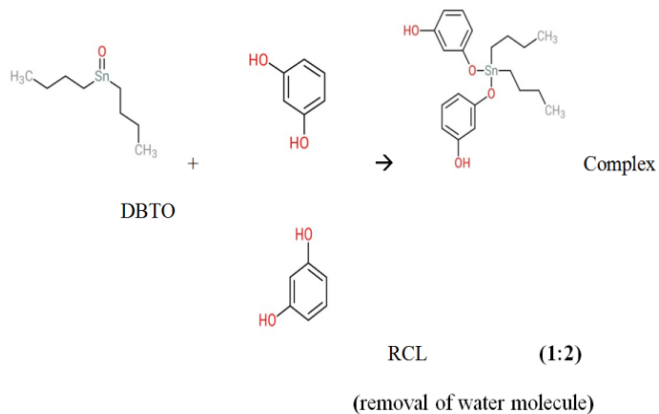
formula $R_2Sn(SR')_2$. The Sn-S bond is the reactive component. Diorganotin carboxylates, e.g., dibutyltin dilaurate, are used as catalysts for the formation of polyurethanes, for vulcanization of silicones, and transesterification. "Tributyltins" are used as industrial biocides, e.g. as antifungal agents in textiles and paper, wood pulp and paper mill systems, breweries, and industrial cooling systems.

2. EXPERIMENTAL WORK

2.1 Materials and methods

All the chemicals were of Analytical Grade and obtained from commercial sources (Merck specialities, Spectrochem and Fischer scientific). Solvents used for the synthesis were dried and purified by standard procedures. The UV visible spectra studies were measured using UV instrument SHIMADZU UV 1800, 200-600 nm in ethanol. The ¹H NMR spectra (in DMSO-d₆ solution) were recorded on a JEOL ECX-400P NMR at 400 MHz and 100 MHz, respectively at USIC, TMS was used as internal standard. The FT-IR studies were done by using PERKIN ELMER SPECTRUM VERSION 10.03.06.

Synthesis of Dibutyltin(IV) Complex-3,3' ((dibutylstannanedyl) bis (oxy)bis(1-hydroxybenzene)) ($C_{20}H_{28}O_4$): A stoichiometric amount of ligand (0.22g, 2mmol) was dissolved in a mixture of dry benzene (60 ml) and absolute ethanol (20 ml) and dibutyltin(IV) oxide (0.249 g, 1mmol) as required for 1:2 (metal:ligand) molar ratio was added. The reaction mixture was then refluxed azeotropically with a Dean Stark separator over the heating mantle. Dibutyltin (IV) oxide goes in to solution within 20-25 minutes to give a clear solution. Refluxing was further continued for 5-6 hours and the contents were then cooled. Excess of solvent was removed under reduced pressure by a rotator evaporator to leave behind a solid complex. The solid was filtered and washed with chloroform and dried in vacuum. Recrystallisation was done from ethanol. The general reaction sequence is given as follows

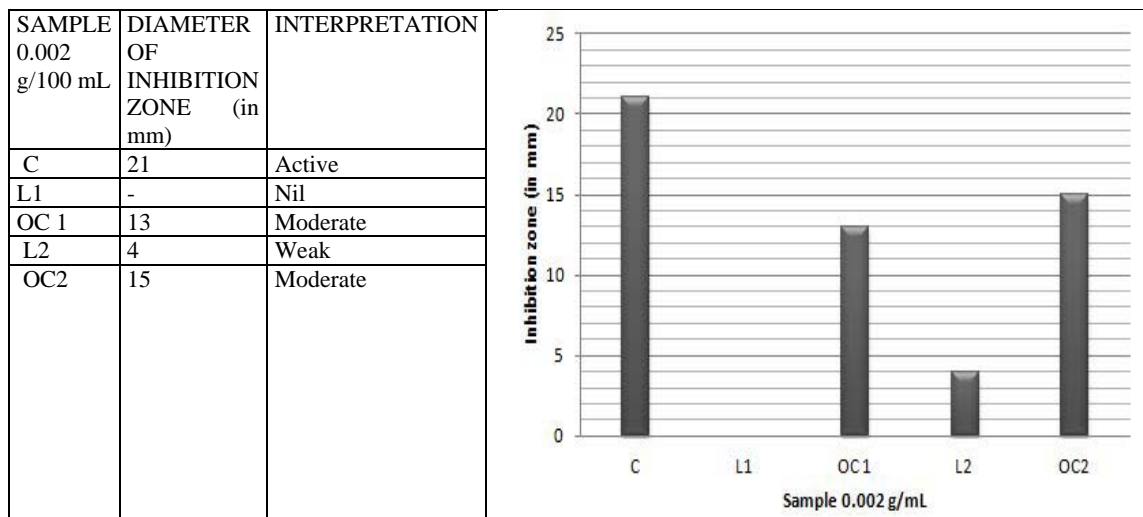


2.2 BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY Antibacterial Bioassay (*in vitro*)

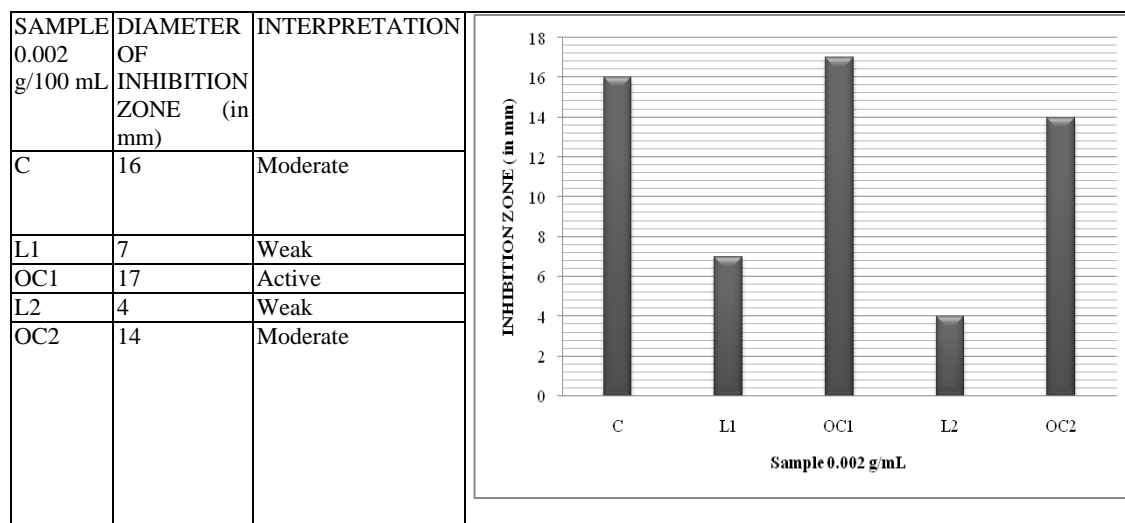
The synthesized complex was screened *in vitro* for its antibacterial activity against Gram-negative (*E. coli*) and Gram-positive (*S. aureus*) bacterial strains using **Disc Diffusion Method**.

Fig. 1: Reaction pathway for the formation of Organotin(IV) complex

BACTERIA - Escherichia coli



BACTERIA-Staphylococcus aureus



3. RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1 ELECTRONIC SPECTRA

The electronic spectra analyses of ligands and its organotin(IV) complexes were carried out in ethanol at room temperature. The Ligand showed band at λ_{\max} 276.00 nm, 205.00 nm; Absorbance 0.256119, 2.089767 which is assigned to $\pi-\pi^*$ transition. After complexation, the λ_{\max} value of the organotin complex was shifted to λ_{\max} 282 nm, 276.00 nm; Absorbance 0.005875. This is due to the coordination of ligand to the DBTO. New peaks in the range λ_{\max} 282.00 nm, 276.00 nm (**Redshift**) in the Organotin complex is attributed to the $n-\pi^*$ transition of band which is referred to the ligand metal charge transfer (LCMT).

3.2 ^1H NMR SPECTRA

The ^1H NMR spectra (in DMSO $-d_6$ solution) of Organotin(IV) complexes were recorded.

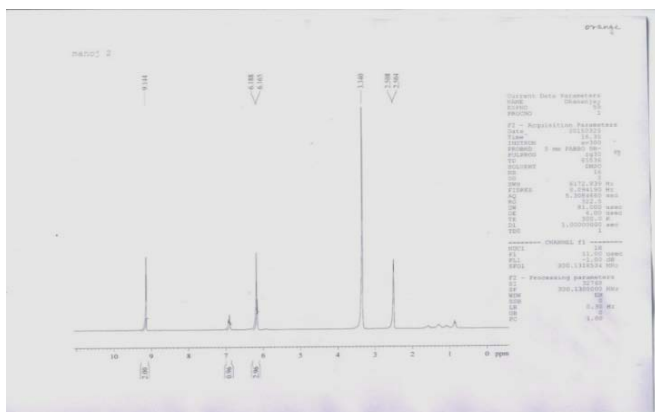


Fig. 2: ^1H NMR Spectra of TC1

3.3 ^{13}C NMR SPECTRA

The ^{13}C NMR spectra (in DMSO- d_6 solution) of Organotin(IV) complexes were recorded.

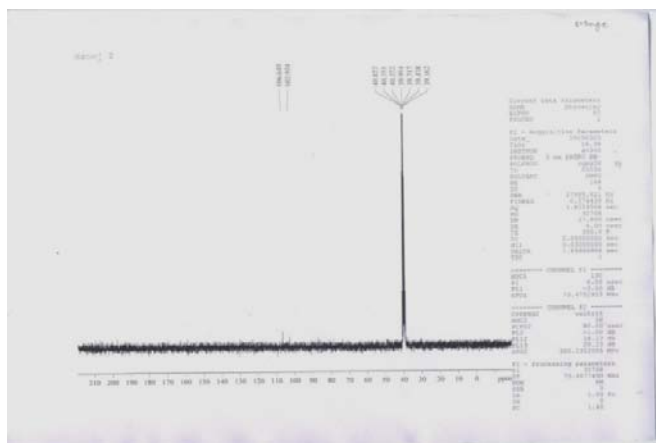


Fig. 3: ^{13}C NMR Spectra of TC1

3.4 FT-IR STUDIES

The FT-IR spectra have shown the expected functional groups peaks for new Sn-O bond formation as well as other relevant peaks: Alkyl C-H stretch : 2957-2857 cm^{-1} , Aromatic C=C bond : $\sim 1586 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, C-O stretch : $\sim 1150 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, Sn-O bond : $\sim 460 \text{ cm}^{-1}$, Aromatic C-H stretch : $\sim 680-773 \text{ cm}^{-1}$

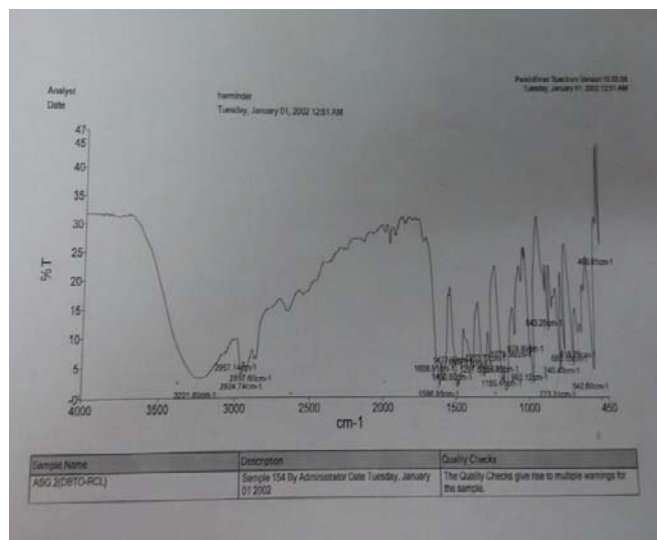


Fig. 4: FT-IR peaks for TC1

3.5 X-RAY DIFFRACTION

X-ray diffraction has been in use in two main areas, for the fingerprint characterization of crystalline materials and the determination of their structure. Each crystalline solid has its unique characteristic X-ray powder pattern which may be used as a "fingerprint" for its identification. X-ray diffraction provides most definitive structural information & Interatomic distances and bond angles. **Theta value** is found to be 18 (For TC1)

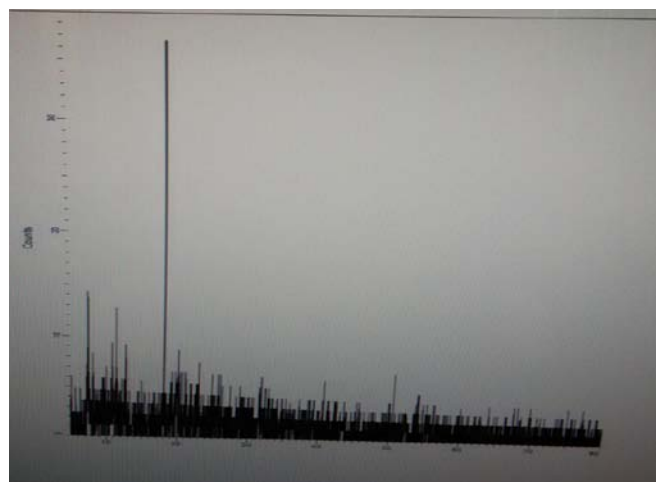


Fig. 5: XRD peak of TC1

4. CONCLUSION

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