

# Tris(benzoyl-thiobenzoyl-methanato-O,S)indium, a Conformer of a Facial Isomer

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A second modification of the title compound has been isolated and characterized by an X-ray structure analysis. It crystallizes in the monoclinic space group  $P2_1/c$ . The indium atom is hexacoordinated and surrounded by three sulfur and three oxygen atoms in a facial arrangement as has been found for a previously known isomer. However, the phenyl groups adopt a different orientation, hence it is a rotamer.

## Introduction

The reaction of  $\text{InCl}_3$  with monothiodibenzoyl-methane (LH) in the presence of sodium acetate (1:3:3) produces a complex  $\text{InL}_3$  which has been found by X-ray structure determination to be the facial isomer [1]. A similar reaction performed in a different stoichiometric ratio (1:2:1) gave an unusual *cis*-octahedral complex  $\text{InCl}_2\text{L} \cdot \text{LH}$  with two different types of ligands [2]. However, the acidic proton H of the ligand LH could not be located in the X-ray structure analysis. In order to establish the hydrolytic stability of this complex it was treated with aqueous dioxan. Under these conditions a new compound  $\text{InL}_3$  is formed whose crystal and molecular structure is described here.

## Experimental

All experimental conditions and methods of analysis were those as previously reported [2].

### Tris(benzoyl-thiobenzoyl-methanato-O,S)indium (1)

Dichloro(benzoyl-thiobenzoyl-methanato-O,S)-indium-monothiodibenzoyl-methane [2] (0.49 g) was dissolved in 25 ml of dioxan. Adding 15 ml of water resulted in the formation of a yellow precipitate. Its quantity increased on stirring for 30 min. The product (**1**) was filtered, washed with hexane and ethanol and dried for 4 h at 32 °C and 0.1 Torr. Recrystallization from trichloromethane/methanol produced yellow crystals in the form of thin plates. Molecular

weight, IR and NMR spectra were found to be almost identical with the  $\text{InL}_3$ -compound described earlier [1].

### X-Ray structure determination of 1

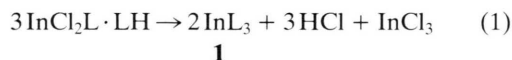
A single crystal (0.1×0.3×0.4 mm) was mounted in a glass capillary, optically centered on the goniometer of an ENRAF-NONIUS CAD4 automated four circle diffractometer, employing graphite monochromatized  $\text{MoK}_\alpha$ -radiation. The dimensions of the unit cell were determined using the setting angles of 25 automatically centered reflections. — *Crystal data*:  $\text{C}_{45}\text{H}_{33}\text{InO}_3\text{S}_3$ ,  $M_r = 832.8$ ,  $a = 19.562(3)$ ,  $b = 9.991(2)$ ,  $c = 20.097(4)$  Å,  $\beta = 94.17(2)^\circ$ ,  $V = 3917.8(5)$  Å<sup>3</sup>,  $D_r = 1.41$  g/cm<sup>3</sup>,  $Z = 4$ , space group  $P2_1/c$  (Nr. 14),  $F(000) = 1695$ ,  $\mu = 7.84$  cm<sup>-1</sup>. — *Data collection*:  $\omega$ -2 $\theta$ -scan, scan width  $0.80^\circ + 0.349 \tan\theta$ , maximum scan time 1.55°/min. 2 $\theta$ -range: 4–50°, 3 check reflections measured after every 360 intensity measurements, 7527 reflections recorded. — *Data reduction and refinement*: Lorentz, polarization and empirical absorption correction (max./min. transmission: 0.999/0.909). Structure solved by Patterson and subsequent Fourier synthesis. Anisotropic description of nonhydrogen atoms, isotropic refinement of the hydrogen atom coordinates. Final residuals:  $R = 0.0336$ ,  $R_w = 0.0349$ ; 553 parameters refined; largest residual electron density: 0.63 e/Å<sup>3</sup>. Final atomic coordinates are summarized in Table I [3]. Calculations were performed on a PDP 11 microcomputer using the program package SDP as supplied by Enraf-Nonius.

## Results

The formation of the complex  $\text{InL}_3$  (**1**) by treatment of the complex  $\text{InCl}_2\text{L} \cdot \text{LH}$  with aqueous dioxan

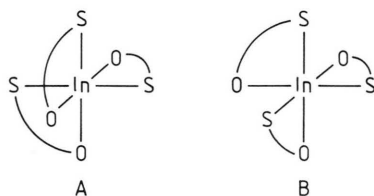
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is not readily explained. It may possibly be formed according to equation (1). No attempt has been



made to isolate the  $\text{InCl}_3$  expected, which should be present as its dioxan adduct [4]. Since  $\text{InCl}_2\text{L} \cdot \text{LH}$  is formed in methanol solution, it may be that the redistribution of the ligands as described in eq. (1) is primarily due to the better solvation of HCl by water.

**1** crystallizes in yellow plates from chloroform/hexane solution. The crystals proved to be monoclinic, as were the crystals of complex **2** obtained previously [1] from chloroform/methanol. Even the space groups are identical, namely  $\text{P2}_1/\text{c}$ . The cell dimensions differ, however, considerably. The question, therefore, is, are there two modifications of the same isomer or are there different isomers. As has been pointed out previously,  $\text{InL}_3$  may occur as the meridional or the facial isomer **A** or **B**, each as a pair of enantiomers.



The most important result of the X-ray structure determination is the fact that the complex **1** investigated is again the facial isomer of type **2**. Fig. 1 shows a plot of the molecule **1** as well as of **2** approximately in the same orientation. One might, therefore, conclude that the two specimens investigated are indeed two modifications of the same isomer. However, some bond distances and bond angles deviate significantly from one another. Data obtained for **1** are summarized in Table II. Thus the  $\text{InS}$  bond lengths are different in the two species (**1**: 2.523(10), 2.500(3), 2.522(6) Å; **2**: 2.525(2), 2.526(2), 2.530(2) Å) and the same holds for the  $\text{In-O}$  bond lengths (**1**: 2.182(2), 2.214(3), 2.211(6) Å; **2**: 2.193(3), 2.202(3), 2.221(3) Å). On average the CS bonds (1.713 Å) are a bit shorter in **1** as compared with **2** (1.728 Å) while the  $\text{InO}$  bonds are of comparable lengths. Another feature is that there are two wider and one smaller  $\text{S-In-S}$  angle in **1** (98.9, 98.5 and 91.4°) but two more acute ones in **2** (98.1, 94.2,

Table I. Atomic coordinates ( $10^4$ ) and equivalent isotropic B-values. Standard deviations in parenthesis.

Atom	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	B
In	2502.6(1)	1986.5(3)	3592.5(1)	2.923(6)
S1	3636(6)	2372(1)	3100(1)	4.18(8)
S2	2927(1)	804(6)	4638(1)	4.10(6)
S3	2424(1)	4172(1)	4210(6)	4.38(4)
O1	2057(1)	2664(1)	2624(1)	3.4(3)
O2	2397(1)	— 22(3)	3131(1)	3.3(1)
O3	1389(3)	1768(1)	3684(3)	3.2(3)
C1	3501(1)	2044(3)	2262(1)	3.3(2)
C2	2894(2)	2064(1)	1871(5)	3.1(1)
C3	2224(4)	2392(2)	2046(1)	2.9(3)
C4	2793(2)	— 1012(4)	3211(2)	3.1(1)
C5	3232(5)	— 1291(2)	3791(4)	3.4(2)
C6	3298(4)	— 642(5)	4393(2)	3.2(3)
C7	937(2)	2656(4)	3645(5)	2.8(1)
C8	1013(4)	3974(2)	3899(4)	3.2(3)
C9	1578(1)	4631(4)	4167(2)	3.1(2)
C10	4136(5)	1710(1)	1931(4)	3.8(3)
C11	4622(1)	859(5)	2237(1)	4.9(2)
C12	5196(2)	506(1)	1913(6)	6.2(1)
C13	5288(5)	1023(2)	1299(1)	6.8(4)
C14	4828(2)	1876(6)	996(3)	6.7(2)
C15	4246(5)	2214(2)	1311(6)	5.3(4)
C20	1651(8)	2389(5)	1516(3)	2.9(3)
C21	1746(3)	2833(8)	876(5)	3.8(2)
C22	1201(5)	2917(3)	406(6)	5.0(3)
C23	559(1)	2530(4)	575(2)	6.0(2)
C24	467(6)	2062(1)	1199(5)	5.5(3)
C25	1007(2)	1998(6)	1674(1)	3.9(4)
C30	2789(3)	— 1982(2)	2647(8)	3.0(2)
C31	2606(5)	— 1537(3)	2006(1)	3.9(4)
C32	2622(2)	— 2387(5)	1471(2)	5.0(1)
C33	2801(5)	— 3702(2)	1565(4)	5.3(2)
C34	2959(4)	— 4182(5)	2196(2)	5.1(2)
C35	2959(2)	— 3320(4)	2735(5)	4.1(2)
C40	3740(6)	— 1310(2)	4938(5)	3.6(3)
C41	3675(2)	— 2662(6)	5062(3)	4.5(3)
C42	4095(6)	— 3253(2)	5570(5)	6.0(3)
C43	4562(1)	— 2495(6)	5944(1)	6.9(3)
C44	4630(2)	— 1170(1)	5816(6)	6.4(1)
C45	4216(5)	— 565(2)	5323(1)	4.8(4)
C50	247(3)	2261(5)	3344(3)	2.9(1)
C51	— 173(5)	3189(3)	2998(7)	3.7(5)
C52	— 802(7)	2799(5)	2700(3)	4.7(3)
C53	— 1014(3)	1504(6)	2751(5)	5.0(2)
C54	— 608(5)	600(2)	3094(5)	4.9(3)
C55	46(1)	937(4)	3393(2)	4.0(2)
C60	1474(5)	5954(1)	4487(4)	3.2(3)
C61	1597(1)	7134(7)	4170(1)	4.9(3)
C62	1478(3)	8344(1)	4473(7)	5.8(1)
C63	1242(5)	8374(3)	5097(2)	5.2(3)
C64	1119(2)	7210(4)	5413(2)	5.4(1)
C65	1223(5)	6012(2)	5114(4)	4.7(2)

94.2°). Moreover, the  $\text{O-In-O}$  bond angles are much more uniform in **2** (79.1, 78.8, 79.0°) than in **1** (83.6, 76.9, 83.3°). In addition, the  $\text{S}_3$  plane in **1** is

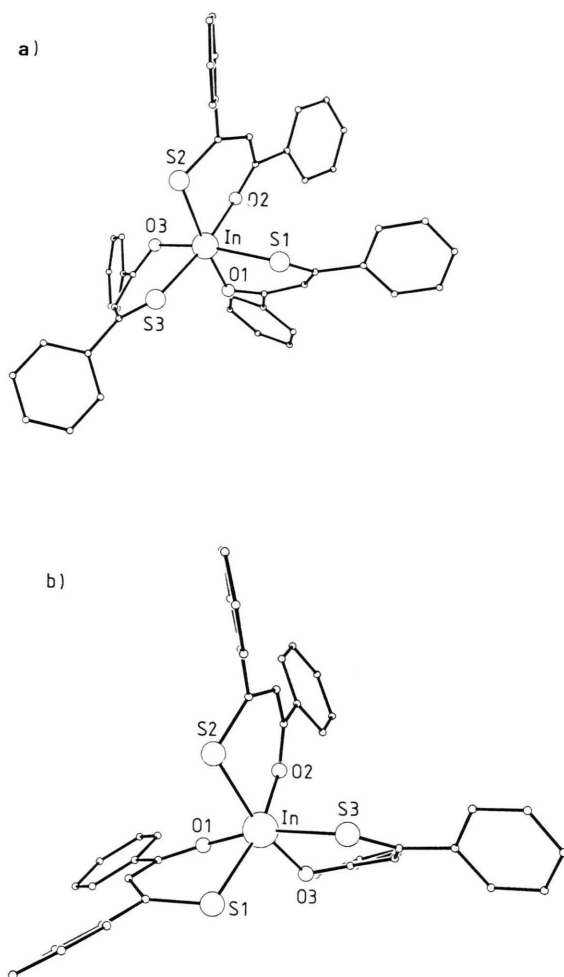


Fig. 1. a) Plot of the molecule 1, hydrogen atoms omitted and numbering restricted to the core atoms; b) plot of the  $\text{InL}_3$  molecule 2 [1] in approximately the same core orientation as 1.

tilted by  $5.7^\circ$  towards the  $\text{O}_3$  plane. The same angle for 2 was found to be only  $1.0^\circ$ . All these features could be accounted for with packing effects. However, the symmetry of the  $\text{InL}_3$  molecules may still be different inspite of a rather similar  $\text{InO}_3\text{S}_3$  core due to different  $\text{InSC}_3\text{O}$  ring conformations as well as the orientation of the phenyl rings, e.g. the lattice may stabilize different conformers of the same isomer. Inspection of Fig. 1 shows that the latter is indeed

Table II. Selected bonding parameters for 1.

Bond length			
In–S1	2.523(10)	In–S2	2.500(3)
In–S3	2.522(6)	In–O1	2.182(2)
In–O2	2.214(3)	In–O3	2.211(6)
S1–C1	1.718(3)	S2–C6	1.706(8)
S3–C9	1.714(2)	O1–C3	1.258(4)
O2–C4	1.259(4)	O3–C7	1.250(6)
C1–C2	1.374(6)	C2–C3	1.421(9)
C4–C5	1.424(9)	C5–C6	1.371(8)
C7–C8	1.416(6)	C8–C9	1.361(9)
Bond angles			
S1–In–S2	98.9(1)	S1–In–S3	98.5(1)
S1–In–O1	84.7(1)	S1–In–O3	161.3(2)
S2–In–S3	91.4(2)	S2–In–O1	169.5(1)
S2–In–O2	86.5(1)	S2–In–O3	98.8(1)
S3–In–O1	97.8(2)	S3–In–O2	169.7(1)
S3–In–O3	87.1(1)	O1–In–O2	83.6(1)
O1–In–O3	76.9(2)	O2–In–O3	83.3(1)
In–S1–C1	106.2(4)	In–S2–C6	106.3(2)
In–S3–C9	107.5(3)	O2–C4–C5	126.0(4)
In–O1–C3	130.0(3)	In–O2–C4	128.4(2)
S2–C6–C5	129.8(5)	In–O3–C7	128.4(3)
O3–C7–C8	125.5(6)	S3–C9–C8	130.0(4)
S1–C1–C2	128.6(5)	O1–C3–C2	125.8(6)
C1–C2–C3	129.4(7)	C4–C5–C6	130.0(6)
C7–C8–C9	130.7(5)		

Plane	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 S1S2S3	–									
2 O1O2O3	5.7									
3 InS1O1	59.5	55.6								
4 InS2O2	125.5	120.0	87.2							
5 InS3O3	65.4	63.9	99.4	81.2						
6 C10–C15	31.0	28.3	29.5	111.6	86.8					
7 C20–C25	70.3	66.1	11.3	77.2	102.7	40.8				
8 C30–C35	138.1	132.9	99.6	13.9	85.4	125.3	89.0			
9 C40–C45	96.2	90.6	65.5	29.5	67.5	84.3	58.3	43.1		
10 C50–C55	78.9	73.4	59.9	46.6	55.5	71.6	56.1	64.6	17.9	
11 C60–C65	24.3	29.3	83.2	139.6	62.0	53.8	94.2	147.2	113.6	95.7

Table III. Interplanar angles between selected best planes in the  $\text{InL}_3$  molecule 1.

the case: there are different orientations of the phenyl rings with respect to the  $S_3$  and the  $O_3$  planes. This is most readily recognized by comparing the interplanar angles between the phenyl rings next to S1, S2 and S3 (84.3, 53.8, 113.6° for **1** and 107.5, 73.0 and 57.9° for **2**) or to O1, O2, O3 (89.0, 59.6 and 56.1° for **1** and 86.8, 97.3 and 21.2° for **2**, see also Table III for additional interplanar angles).

This explains also that the NMR data in  $CHCl_3$  solution for both species are almost identical. The stabilization of the rotamers of the same  $InL_3$  isomer in the solid state must therefore result from the different conditions of crystallization.

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