

## N-O ligand Supported Stannylenes: Preparation, Crystal, and Molecular Structures

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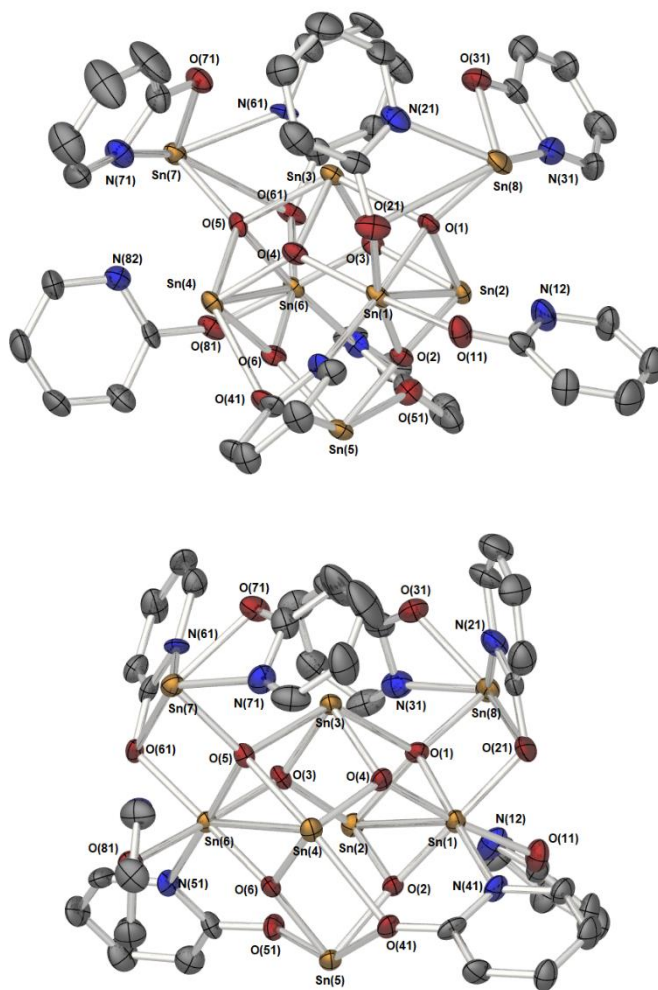
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Figure S1: Two views of the molecular structure of complex 3.



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Table S1: Selected Bond lengths [Å] for Complex 3.

|             |          |             |           |
|-------------|----------|-------------|-----------|
| Sn(1)-O(2)  | 2.019(6) | Sn(5)-O(2)  | 2.087(6)  |
| Sn(1)-O(4)  | 2.046(7) | Sn(5)-O(51) | 2.299(7)  |
| Sn(1)-O(11) | 2.066(7) | Sn(5)-O(41) | 2.441(7)  |
| Sn(1)-O(21) | 2.084(7) | Sn(6)-O(6)  | 2.029(6)  |
| Sn(1)-O(1)  | 2.091(6) | Sn(6)-O(3)  | 2.044(6)  |
| Sn(1)-N(41) | 2.178(8) | Sn(6)-O(61) | 2.063(6)  |
| Sn(2)-O(3)  | 2.135(7) | Sn(6)-O(81) | 2.067(7)  |
| Sn(2)-O(2)  | 2.146(6) | Sn(6)-O(5)  | 2.093(6)  |
| Sn(2)-O(1)  | 2.236(7) | Sn(6)-N(51) | 2.157(8)  |
| Sn(3)-O(3)  | 2.135(6) | Sn(7)-O(5)  | 2.121(7)  |
| Sn(3)-O(4)  | 2.156(6) | Sn(7)-O(71) | 2.221(7)  |
| Sn(3)-O(1)  | 2.378(6) | Sn(7)-N(61) | 2.433(8)  |
| Sn(3)-O(5)  | 2.394(6) | Sn(7)-N(71) | 2.565(9)  |
| Sn(4)-O(4)  | 2.099(7) | Sn(8)-O(1)  | 2.101(6)  |
| Sn(4)-O(6)  | 2.109(6) | Sn(8)-O(31) | 2.150(7)  |
| Sn(4)-O(5)  | 2.253(6) | Sn(8)-N(21) | 2.420(10) |
| Sn(4)-O(41) | 2.483(7) | Sn(8)-N(31) | 2.543(11) |
| Sn(5)-O(6)  | 2.086(7) |             |           |

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Table S2: Selected Bond angles [°] for complex 3.

|                   |          |                   |           |
|-------------------|----------|-------------------|-----------|
| O(2)-Sn(1)-O(4)   | 95.0(3)  | O(51)-Sn(5)-O(41) | 147.8(2)  |
| O(2)-Sn(1)-O(11)  | 91.0(3)  | O(6)-Sn(6)-O(3)   | 94.4(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(1)-O(11)  | 173.9(3) | O(6)-Sn(6)-O(61)  | 167.1(3)  |
| O(2)-Sn(1)-O(21)  | 169.2(3) | O(3)-Sn(6)-O(61)  | 93.6(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(1)-O(21)  | 91.5(3)  | O(6)-Sn(6)-O(81)  | 86.8(3)   |
| O(11)-Sn(1)-O(21) | 82.5(3)  | O(3)-Sn(6)-O(81)  | 177.8(3)  |
| O(2)-Sn(1)-O(1)   | 82.5(3)  | O(61)-Sn(6)-O(81) | 84.9(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(1)-O(1)   | 81.9(3)  | O(6)-Sn(6)-O(5)   | 81.3(3)   |
| O(11)-Sn(1)-O(1)  | 98.1(3)  | O(3)-Sn(6)-O(5)   | 81.8(2)   |
| O(21)-Sn(1)-O(1)  | 89.8(3)  | O(61)-Sn(6)-O(5)  | 89.8(3)   |
| O(2)-Sn(1)-N(41)  | 100.1(3) | O(81)-Sn(6)-O(5)  | 96.6(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(1)-N(41)  | 95.6(3)  | O(6)-Sn(6)-N(51)  | 102.5(3)  |
| O(11)-Sn(1)-N(41) | 84.0(3)  | O(3)-Sn(6)-N(51)  | 94.6(3)   |
| O(21)-Sn(1)-N(41) | 87.9(3)  | O(61)-Sn(6)-N(51) | 86.9(3)   |
| O(1)-Sn(1)-N(41)  | 176.6(3) | O(81)-Sn(6)-N(51) | 86.9(3)   |
| O(3)-Sn(2)-O(2)   | 92.6(2)  | O(5)-Sn(6)-N(51)  | 175.0(3)  |
| O(3)-Sn(2)-O(1)   | 77.5(2)  | O(5)-Sn(7)-O(71)  | 88.2(3)   |
| O(2)-Sn(2)-O(1)   | 76.4(2)  | O(5)-Sn(7)-N(61)  | 80.8(3)   |
| O(3)-Sn(3)-O(4)   | 94.0(3)  | O(71)-Sn(7)-N(61) | 78.5(3)   |
| O(3)-Sn(3)-O(1)   | 74.5(2)  | O(5)-Sn(7)-N(71)  | 80.4(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(3)-O(1)   | 73.3(2)  | O(71)-Sn(7)-N(71) | 55.6(3)   |
| O(3)-Sn(3)-O(5)   | 73.2(2)  | N(61)-Sn(7)-N(71) | 130.5(3)  |
| O(4)-Sn(3)-O(5)   | 74.1(2)  | O(1)-Sn(8)-O(31)  | 90.1(3)   |
| O(1)-Sn(3)-O(5)   | 131.6(2) | O(1)-Sn(8)-N(21)  | 80.6(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(4)-O(6)   | 93.2(3)  | O(31)-Sn(8)-N(21) | 79.2(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(4)-O(5)   | 78.3(2)  | O(1)-Sn(8)-N(31)  | 83.4(3)   |
| O(6)-Sn(4)-O(5)   | 75.9(2)  | O(31)-Sn(8)-N(31) | 56.7(3)   |
| O(4)-Sn(4)-O(41)  | 81.0(2)  | N(21)-Sn(8)-N(31) | 132.8(3)  |
| O(6)-Sn(4)-O(41)  | 71.2(2)  | C(15)-N(12)-C(11) | 120.0(10) |
| O(5)-Sn(4)-O(41)  | 139.8(2) | C(25)-N(21)-C(21) | 120.1(10) |
| O(6)-Sn(5)-O(2)   | 91.4(2)  | C(25)-N(21)-Sn(8) | 120.9(8)  |
| O(6)-Sn(5)-O(51)  | 84.4(2)  | C(21)-N(21)-Sn(8) | 118.7(7)  |
| O(2)-Sn(5)-O(51)  | 76.2(2)  | C(35)-N(31)-C(31) | 118.9(11) |
| O(6)-Sn(5)-O(41)  | 72.4(2)  | C(35)-N(31)-Sn(8) | 156.1(8)  |
| O(2)-Sn(5)-O(41)  | 82.2(2)  | C(31)-N(31)-Sn(8) | 84.6(7)   |

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|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------|
| C(45)-N(41)-C(41) | 119.4(9)  | Sn(3)-O(3)-Sn(2)  | 109.7(3) |
| C(45)-N(41)-Sn(1) | 121.4(7)  | Sn(1)-O(4)-Sn(4)  | 128.2(3) |
| C(41)-N(41)-Sn(1) | 119.2(6)  | Sn(1)-O(4)-Sn(3)  | 106.8(3) |
| C(51)-N(51)-C(55) | 119.9(8)  | Sn(4)-O(4)-Sn(3)  | 110.2(3) |
| C(51)-N(51)-Sn(6) | 119.6(6)  | Sn(6)-O(5)-Sn(7)  | 114.8(3) |
| C(55)-N(51)-Sn(6) | 120.4(7)  | Sn(6)-O(5)-Sn(4)  | 97.8(3)  |
| C(61)-N(61)-C(65) | 118.7(9)  | Sn(7)-O(5)-Sn(4)  | 129.8(3) |
| C(61)-N(61)-Sn(7) | 115.1(6)  | Sn(6)-O(5)-Sn(3)  | 97.3(2)  |
| C(65)-N(61)-Sn(7) | 125.4(7)  | Sn(7)-O(5)-Sn(3)  | 113.9(3) |
| C(75)-N(71)-C(71) | 119.8(10) | Sn(4)-O(5)-Sn(3)  | 97.3(2)  |
| C(75)-N(71)-Sn(7) | 154.9(9)  | Sn(6)-O(6)-Sn(5)  | 125.5(3) |
| C(71)-N(71)-Sn(7) | 85.3(6)   | Sn(6)-O(6)-Sn(4)  | 104.7(3) |
| C(81)-N(82)-C(85) | 118.9(9)  | Sn(5)-O(6)-Sn(4)  | 119.7(3) |
| Sn(1)-O(1)-Sn(8)  | 116.6(3)  | C(11)-O(11)-Sn(1) | 126.6(6) |
| Sn(1)-O(1)-Sn(2)  | 97.8(3)   | C(21)-O(21)-Sn(1) | 127.6(6) |
| Sn(8)-O(1)-Sn(2)  | 121.2(3)  | C(31)-O(31)-Sn(8) | 103.9(7) |
| Sn(1)-O(1)-Sn(3)  | 97.9(2)   | C(41)-O(41)-Sn(5) | 131.4(7) |
| Sn(8)-O(1)-Sn(3)  | 120.3(3)  | C(41)-O(41)-Sn(4) | 124.3(6) |
| Sn(2)-O(1)-Sn(3)  | 98.3(2)   | Sn(5)-O(41)-Sn(4) | 94.9(2)  |
| Sn(1)-O(2)-Sn(5)  | 128.1(3)  | C(51)-O(51)-Sn(5) | 136.4(6) |
| Sn(1)-O(2)-Sn(2)  | 103.1(3)  | C(61)-O(61)-Sn(6) | 124.3(5) |
| Sn(5)-O(2)-Sn(2)  | 117.8(3)  | C(71)-O(71)-Sn(7) | 102.8(7) |
| Sn(6)-O(3)-Sn(3)  | 107.7(3)  | C(81)-O(81)-Sn(6) | 123.4(6) |
| Sn(6)-O(3)-Sn(2)  | 128.3(3)  |                   |          |

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Table S3: Crystal data and structure refinement for complexes 1-5.

| Compound reference  | 1   | 2   | 3  | 4  | 5   |
|---|---|---|--|--|---|
| Chemical formula  | C <sub>22</sub> H <sub>44</sub> N <sub>4</sub> O <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>4</sub> Sn <sub>2</sub> | C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>32</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Sn <sub>4</sub> | 2(C <sub>40</sub> H <sub>32</sub> N <sub>8</sub> O <sub>14</sub> S <sub>n8</sub> )•3(C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub> ) | C <sub>18</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> Sn | 2(C <sub>26</sub> H <sub>16</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> Sn)<br>•C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>8</sub> |
| Formula Mass  | 746.35  | 1227.49   | 3872.91  | 406.99   | 1106.33   |
| Crystal system  | Triclinic   | Monoclinic  | Triclinic  | Orthorhombic   | Triclinic   |
| <i>a</i> /Å   | 9.15330(10)   | 23.8105(6)  | 10.5700(4)   | 9.9047(3)  | 8.9889(4)   |
| <i>b</i> /Å   | 12.9058(2)  | 7.97210(10)   | 15.3188(9)   | 11.9296(4)   | 10.9833(5)  |
| <i>c</i> /Å   | 15.4088(2)  | 25.2769(7)  | 18.9698(7)   | 12.8849(4)   | 12.4588(4)  |
| <i>α</i> /°   | 111.6830(10)  | 90  | 98.192(4)  | 90   | 86.532(3)   |
| <i>β</i> /°   | 98.2530(10)   | 118.745(4)  | 102.401(4)   | 90   | 85.348(3)   |
| <i>γ</i> /°   | 95.3780(10)   | 90  | 103.735(4)   | 90   | 67.035(4)   |
| Unit cell volume/Å <sup>3</sup>   | 1652.48(4)  | 4206.8(2)   | 2852.9(2)  | 1522.47(8)   | 1128.25(9)  |
| Temperature/K   | 150(2)  | 150(2)  | 150(2)   | 150(2)   | 150(2)  |
| Space group   | <i>P</i> 1  | <i>I</i> 2/ <i>a</i>  | <i>P</i> 1   | <i>Pbcn</i>  | <i>P</i> 1  |
| No. of formula units per unit cell, <i>Z</i>                                  | 2   | 4   | 1  | 4  | 1   |
| No. of reflections measured   | 56287   | 13784   | 20363  | 11655  | 9114  |
| No. of independent reflections  | 6562  | 4131  | 11091  | 1739   | 4563  |
| <i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>   | 0.0444  | 0.0639  | 0.0595   | 0.0319   | 0.0265  |
| Final <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> values ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> ))               | 0.0242  | 0.0454  | 0.0654   | 0.0237   | 0.0275  |
| Final <i>wR</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> ) values ( <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )) | 0.0688  | 0.1191  | 0.1827   | 0.0485   | 0.0534  |
| Final <i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> values (all data)                                 | 0.0247  | 0.0474  | 0.0768   | 0.0345   | 0.0309  |
| Final <i>wR</i> ( <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup> ) values (all data)                   | 0.0694  | 0.1208  | 0.1985   | 0.0531   | 0.0549  |
| Goodness of fit   | 1.090   | 1.074   | 1.040  | 1.089  | 1.057   |
| CCDC number   | 2015978   | 2015979   | 2015980  | 2015981  | 2015982   |

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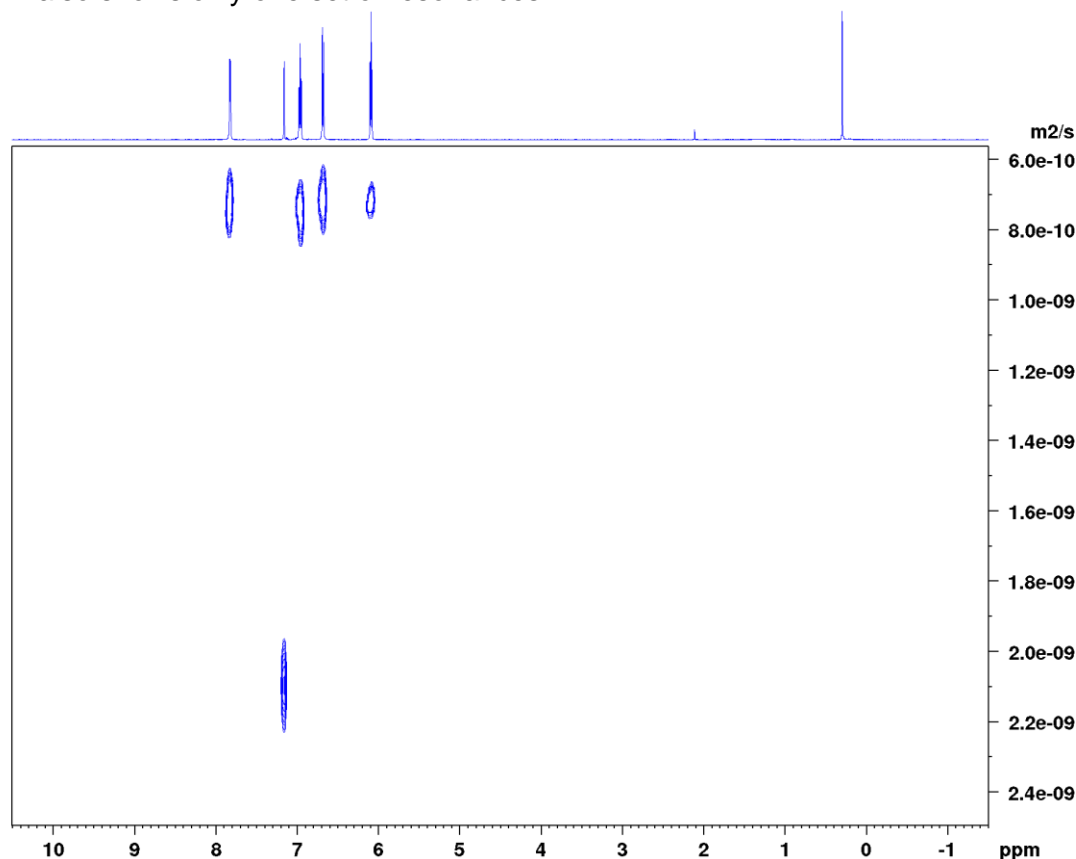
### DOSY NMR Studies of 2:



Solid state structure in solution is a tetramer.

<sup>119</sup>Sn, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C all show only one peak in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> at RT.

DOSY NMR also shows only one set of resonances



Measured diffusion coefficient =  $6.87 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}^{-1}$

Based on the Stokes Einstein equation (below) this corresponds to a hydrodynamic radius of 4.95 Å.

$$D = \frac{kT}{6\pi\eta r_H}$$

The crystal structure ASU has two Sn centres, corresponding to a molecular volume of 367.7 Å<sup>3</sup>. This gives a radius of 4.44 Å, assuming a spherical system  
The full tetrameric solid-state structure has a molecular volume of 721.36 Å<sup>3</sup>, corresponding to a radius of 5.56 Å.

Assuming a spherical system, the hydrodynamic radius empirically determined corresponds to a volume of 509 Å<sup>3</sup>. With each Sn “unit” occupying approx. 183 Å<sup>3</sup>, the empirical value corresponds to what is likely a trimeric system, however, we believe that an equilibrium between the tetrameric and dimeric species (such that we

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observe one set of resonances in the  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$  and  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and an average diffusion coefficient), is more likely in the solution state.

\*Based on the ASU dimer and grown tetramer,  $368/2=184$  and  $721/4=180$

Using Stalke's method<sup>1,2</sup>, which we correct empirically for molecular density<sup>3</sup> (and hence accounting for the heavy Sn atom), we predict a molecular mass of 937 Da (c.f. a calculated mass for a trimeric species  $[\text{Sn}(\text{OPy})_2]_3$  of 921 Da, 2% error). This uses an empirically determined density correction factor of 1.5535.<sup>3</sup>

This again supports the assertion that we observe exchange between a dimeric and tetrameric species (as is chemically more likely than the trimer). This is based on big assumptions though as Stalke's method has not been reported for Sn before, there is some work on lanthanide phosphonate species though.<sup>4</sup>

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### VT DOSY NMR studies of 2

Spectra all run in toluene.

Possible to calculate hydrodynamic radius and therefore, assumed spherical volume. Not possible to use Stalke's method as we have heavy atoms, and the empirical correction needed has only been determined in C<sub>6</sub>D<sub>6</sub> and THF.

All calculations based on the Stokes-Einstein equation:

$$D = \frac{kT}{6\pi\eta r_H}$$

Toluene viscosity determined based on empirical estimation as per reference. Equation is as follows

$$\ln(\eta^*) = -5.2203 + \frac{8.964}{T^*} - \frac{5.834}{(T^*)^2} + \frac{2.089}{(T^*)^3}$$

Where  $\eta^*$  and  $T^*$  are dimensionless variables, defined as:

$$T^* = \frac{T}{298.15}$$

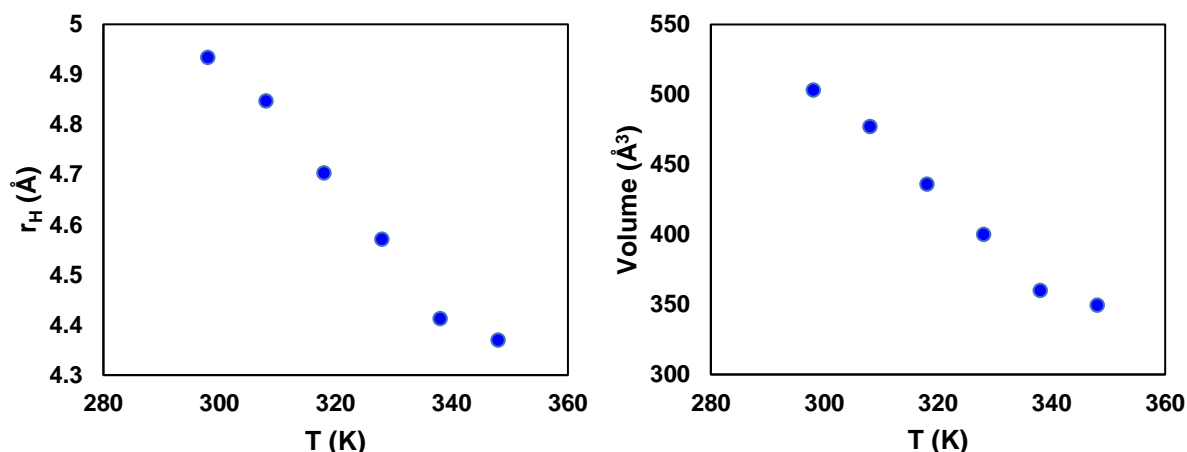
$$\eta^* = \frac{\eta(T)}{\eta(298.15)}$$

$$\eta(298.15) = 554.2 \pm 3.3 \mu Pa s$$

This gives the data in the table, which is then plotted in the graphs below. Both graphs show that as a function of temperature the hydrodynamic radius reduces, suggesting that the equilibrium discussed previously shifts more towards the dimeric species as a function of temperature. At the highest temperatures the trend appears to level off, with the hydrodynamic radius being ~ that of the dimeric species we'd expect (4.44 Å), suggesting at these temperatures the equilibrium has shifted almost fully to the dimeric species.

| T / K | D <sub>x</sub> / s <sup>-1</sup> | Hydrodynamic Radii / Å | Expected Volume / Å <sup>3</sup> |
|-------|----------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 298   | 7.97*10 <sup>-10</sup>           | 4.934255               | 503.214668                       |
| 308   | 9.42*10 <sup>-10</sup>           | 4.84727                | 477.067886                       |
| 318   | 1.12*10 <sup>-10</sup>           | 4.703578               | 435.886865                       |
| 328   | 1.31*10 <sup>-9</sup>            | 4.571166               | 400.100898                       |
| 338   | 1.54*10 <sup>-9</sup>            | 4.41312                | 360.019436                       |
| 348   | 1.75*10 <sup>-9</sup>            | 4.370032               | 349.576597                       |
| 328   | 1.29*10 <sup>-9</sup>            | 4.647183               | 420.395366                       |
| 328   | 1.27*10 <sup>-9</sup>            | 4.704556               | 436.158581                       |

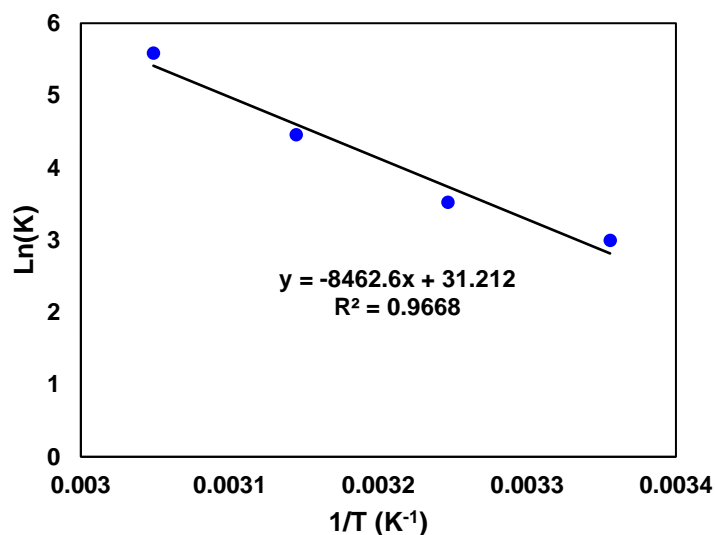
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From this, we have used expected diffusion coefficients to calculate an estimated equilibrium constant (working as for the phosphate stuff and is all in the spreadsheet. This then gives the data below, and the plot below.

| T / K | K            |
|-------|--------------|
| 298   | 20.01007543  |
| 308   | 33.88393885  |
| 318   | 86.37062653  |
| 328   | 266.371416   |
| 338   | -2133.662168 |
| 348   | -938.8074633 |

We can then plot  $\ln(K)$  against  $1/T$  (the Van t'hoff equation)



Then, based on the following equations thermodynamic parameters can be determined:

$$\Delta H = -m \times R = 70.4 (\pm 9.22) \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta S = c \times R = 259 (\pm 29.5) \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$$

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S = -6.97 (\pm 12.7) \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$