### Syntheses, structures and antitumor activity of four new

### organotin(IV) carboxylates based on 2-thienylselenoacetic acid

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# 1. Experimental section



R=Me,  $S_1$ 



Scheme S1 The syntheses procedures of complexes S1, S3

#### Synthesis of complex S1, S3

[Me<sub>3</sub>Sn(O<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S-*o*)]<sub>n</sub> (S1): The reaction was carried out under nitrogen atmosphere by use of standard Schlenk techniques. The 2-thiopheneacetic acid (0.142 g, 1.0 mmol) was added to the solution of benzene (30 ml) together with sodium ethoxide (0.068 g, 1.0 mmol), and the mixture was stirred for 0.5 h. Then the trimethyltin chloride (0.199 g,1.0 mmol) was added to the reactor, the mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 12 h and then filtered. The solvent was gradually removed by evaporation under reduced pressure until a white powder was obtained. The powder was then recrystallized from ether, and the colorless crystals were recovered. Yield: 60%. M.P. 130-133 °C. Anal. Calc. for C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>14</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SSn: C 35.42, H 4.59%; Found: C 35.54, H 4.68%. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): v(Sn-O), 478; v(O-Sn-O), 631; v(Sn-C), 552; v(COO)<sub>as</sub>, 1569; v(COO)<sub>s</sub>, 1372; [Δν = v(COO)<sub>as</sub> - v(COO)<sub>s</sub>], 197. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 6.96-7.26 (m, 3H, -C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S), 1.55 (s, 2H, -CH<sub>2</sub>), 0.50 (s, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>SnH</sub> = 70.1 Hz, 9H, 3CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 119.87-132.28 (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S), 170.94 (COO), 31.46 (*CH*<sub>2</sub>-COO), -1.23 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>SnC</sub> = 493 Hz, Sn-*CH*<sub>3</sub>). <sup>119</sup>Sn NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ -142.4.

[(Me<sub>2</sub>Sn)<sub>4</sub>( $\mu_3$ -O)<sub>2</sub>(O<sub>2</sub>CCH<sub>2</sub>C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S-*o*)<sub>4</sub>] (S3): Complex S3 was synthesized in a similar way to complex S1, by using 2-thiopheneacetic acid (0.142 g, 1.0 mmol), benzene (30 ml), sodium ethoxide (0.068 g, 1.0 mmol), dimethyltin dichloride (0.110 g, 0.5 mmol). The powder was recrystallized from ether, and the colorless crystals of complex S3 were recovered. Yield: 58%. M.P. 135-138 °C. Anal. Calc. for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>44</sub>O<sub>10</sub>S<sub>4</sub>Sn<sub>4</sub>: C 32.22, H 3.69%; Found: C 32.09, H 3.85%. IR (KBr, cm<sup>-1</sup>): v(Sn-O), 476; v(O-Sn-O), 698; v(Sn-C), 545; v(COO)<sub>as</sub>, 1569; v(COO)<sub>s</sub>, 1382; [Δv = v(COO)<sub>as</sub> - v(COO)<sub>s</sub>], 187. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 6.97-7.26 (m, 12H, 4C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S), 1.25 (s, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>SnH</sub> = 92.5 Hz, 24H, 8CH<sub>3</sub>). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ 124.80-126.78 (C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>3</sub>S), 171.23 (COO), 29.71 (*CH*<sub>2</sub>-COO), 4.38 (<sup>1</sup>J<sub>SnC</sub> = 824 Hz, Sn-*CH*<sub>3</sub>). <sup>119</sup>Sn NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, ppm): δ -175.63, -182.44.

# 2. X-ray crystallography

| Complex 1         |           |                   |           |  |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|--|
| Sn(1)-C(7)        | 2.133(8)  | Sn(1)-C(8)        | 2.114(9)  |  |
| Sn(1)-C(9)        | 2.118(8)  | Sn(1)-O(1)        | 2.408(6)  |  |
| Sn(1)-O(2)#1      | 2.191(6)  | Sn(2)-C(16)       | 2.120(10) |  |
| Sn(2)-C(17)       | 2.112(8)  | Sn(2)-C(18)       | 2.106(10) |  |
| Sn(2)-O(3)        | 2.384(6)  | Sn(2)-O(4)#2      | 2.174(6)  |  |
| O(1)-C(6)         | 1.248(9)  | O(2)-C(6)         | 1.273(10) |  |
| O(3)-C(15)        | 1.236(10) | O(4)-C(15)        | 1.266(10) |  |
| Se(1)-C(4)        | 1.852(13) | Se(1)-C(5)        | 1.947(10) |  |
| Se(2)-C(13)       | 1.894(12) | Se(2)-C(14)       | 1.943(10) |  |
| O(2)#1-Sn(1)-O(1) | 172.7(2)  | C(8)-Sn(1)-C(9)   | 121.6(4)  |  |
| C(8)-Sn(1)-C(7)   | 122.4(4)  | C(9)-Sn(1)-C(7)   | 115.3(4)  |  |
| O(4)#2-Sn(2)-O(3) | 170.7(2)  | C(17)-Sn(2)-C(18) | 120.9(4)  |  |
| C(17)-Sn(2)-C(16) | 119.4(4)  | C(18)-Sn(2)-C(16) | 119.2(4)  |  |

 Table S1 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for complex 1.

Symmetry code for complex 1: #1 -x+1, y-1/2, -z+1/2 #2 -x+2, y+1/2, -z+1/2

| Complex 2         |          |                  |            |
|-------------------|----------|------------------|------------|
| Sn(1)-O(1)        | 2.198(5) | Sn(1)-O(2)       | 2.388(5)   |
| Sn(1)-C(7)        | 2.136(6) | Sn(1)-C(13)      | 2.130(7)   |
| Sn(1)-C(19)       | 2.145(7) | Se(1)-C(4)       | 1.905(8)   |
| Se(1)-C(5)        | 1.973(7) | O(1)-Sn(1)-O(2)  | 176.16(16) |
| C(13)-Sn(1)-O(1)  | 95.0(2)  | C(7)-Sn(1)-C(19) | 119.4(3)   |
| C(13)-Sn(1)-C(19) | 111.3(3) | C(13)-Sn(1)-C(7) | 128.6(3)   |
| C(4)-Se(1)-C(5)   | 99.3(3)  | C(6)-C(5)-Se(1)  | 110.5(5)   |
| ~                 |          |                  |            |

 Table S2 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for complex 2.

Symmetry code for complex **2**: #1 y+1, -x+y+1, -z+2 #2 x-y, x-1, -z+2

| Complex 3         |           |                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|-----------|
| Sn(1)-C(9)        | 2.140(13) | Sn(1)-C(10)       | 2.140(12) |
| Sn(1)-O(5)        | 2.090(6)  | Sn(1)-O(5)#1      | 2.163(6)  |
| Sn(1)-O(2)        | 2.364(7)  | Sn(2)-C(7)        | 2.149(11) |
| Sn(2)-C(8)        | 2.109(10) | Sn(2)-O(5)        | 2.077(6)  |
| Sn(2)-O(1)        | 2.326(7)  | Sn(2)-O(3)        | 2.276(8)  |
| Se(1)-C(4)        | 1.961(12) | Se(1)-C(5)        | 1.992(11) |
| Se(2)-C(12)       | 1.960(13) | Se(2)-C(13)       | 2.002(15) |
| C(9)-Sn(1)-C(10)  | 144.9(6)  | O(5)-Sn(1)-C(9)   | 104.8(4)  |
| O(5)-Sn(1)-O(2)   | 89.5(3)   | O(5)-Sn(1)-O(5)#1 | 77.5(3)   |
| O(5)#1-Sn(1)-O(2) | 166.2(3)  | C(8)-Sn(2)-C(7)   | 153.7(4)  |
| O(5)-Sn(2)-O(3)   | 77.6(3)   | O(5)-Sn(2)-C(8)   | 105.6(3)  |
| O(5)-Sn(2)-O(1)   | 93.1(3)   | O(3)-Sn(2)-O(1)   | 170.3(3)  |
| C(8)-Sn(2)-O(3)   | 93.7(3)   | C(4)-Se(1)-C(5)   | 97.9(5)   |

 Table S3 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for complex 3.

Symmetry code for complex **3**: #1 -x+1, -y+2, -z

| <b>Table S4</b> | Selected | bond leng | ths [Å] | and angles | [°] for con | plex 4. |
|-----------------|----------|-----------|---------|------------|-------------|---------|
|                 |          | 4 /       |         | 4.7        |             |         |

| Complex 4         |          |                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Sn(1)-O(1)        | 2.191(6) | Sn(1)-O(4)        | 2.169(6) |
| Sn(1)-O(14)       | 2.083(6) | Sn(1)-O(16)       | 2.074(6) |
| Sn(1)-O(18)       | 2.058(5) | Sn(2)-O(6)        | 2.143(6) |
| Sn(2)-O(8)        | 2.196(6) | Sn(2)-O(15)       | 2.100(6) |
| Sn(2)-O(16)       | 2.112(5) | Sn(2)-O(17)       | 2.082(5) |
| Sn(3)-O(10)       | 2.159(6) | Sn(3)-O(12)       | 2.165(6) |
| Sn(3)-O(13)       | 2.105(6) | Sn(3)-O(17)       | 2.085(6) |
| Sn(3)-O(18)       | 2.120(5) | O(18)-Sn(1)-O(16) | 104.3(2) |
| O(18)-Sn(1)-O(14) | 78.3(2)  | O(18)-Sn(1)-O(4)  | 162.0(2) |
| O(16)-Sn(1)-O(14) | 78.5(2)  | O(16)-Sn(1)-O(4)  | 85.3(2)  |
| O(14)-Sn(1)-O(4)  | 89.0(2)  | O(4)-Sn(1)-O(1)   | 76.9(2)  |

| Complex                           | <b>S1</b>   | S3                          |
|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Empirical formula                 | C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>14</sub> O <sub>2</sub> SSn | $C_{32}H_{44}O_{10}S_4Sn_4$ |
| Μ                                 | 304.95  | 1191.67                     |
| Crystal system                    | Monoclinic  | Triclinic                   |
| space group                       | <i>P</i> 2(1)/c                                   | <i>P</i> -1                 |
| a [Å]                             | 9.5306(8)   | 11.5630(9)                  |
| b [Å]                             | 10.1525(9)  | 13.9921(11)                 |
| c [Å]                             | 13.2324(13)                                       | 14.0809(12)                 |
| α [°]                             | 90  | 102.954(2)                  |
| β [°]                             | 104.104(2)  | 99.9210(10)                 |
| γ [°]                             | 90  | 95.8710(10)                 |
| V[Å <sup>3</sup> ]                | 1241.76(19)                                       | 2163.3(3)                   |
| Ζ                                 | 4   | 2                           |
| Dcalc (Mg/m <sup>3</sup> )        | 1.631   | 1.829                       |
| μ(mm <sup>-1</sup> )              | 2.197   | 2.523                       |
| F(000)                            | 600   | 1160                        |
| Crystal size(mm)                  | 0.36 x 0.29 x 0.27                                | 0.46 x 0.29 x 0.17          |
| Reflections collected             | 6078  | 10976                       |
| Unique reflections                | 2171  | 7479                        |
| R(int)                            | 0.0418  | 0.0401                      |
| Goodness-of-fit on F <sup>2</sup> | 1.022   | 1.032                       |
| Final R indices $[I>2\sigma(I)]$  | $R_1 = 0.0429$                                    | $R_1 = 0.0541$              |
|                                   | $wR_2 = 0.1150$                                   | $wR_2 = 0.1466$             |
| R indices (all data)              | $R_1 = 0.0562$                                    | $R_1 = 0.0732$              |
|                                   | $wR_2 = 0.1247$                                   | $wR_2 = 0.1614$             |

Table S5 Crystallographic data and structure refinement parameters for complexes S1, S3

 Table S6 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for complex S1

| Complex S1      |          |                   |            |  |
|-----------------|----------|-------------------|------------|--|
| Sn(1)-O(1)      | 2.363(4) | Sn(1)-O(2)#1      | 2.202(4)   |  |
| Sn(1)-C(7)      | 2.105(7) | Sn(1)-C(8)        | 2.120(6)   |  |
| Sn(1)-C(9)      | 2.123(6) | O(1)-Sn(1)-O(2)#1 | 173.26(14) |  |
| C(7)-Sn(1)-O(1) | 86.4(2)  | C(8)-Sn(1)-O(1)   | 90.0(2)    |  |
| C(9)-Sn(1)-O(1) | 85.4(2)  | C(6)-O(1)-Sn(1)   | 137.6(4)   |  |
| C(8)-Sn(1)-C(7) | 122.6(3) | C(7)-Sn(1)-C(9)   | 120.3(3)   |  |
| C(8)-Sn(1)-C(9) | 116.5(3) |                   |            |  |

Symmetry code for complex S1: #1 -x+1, y-1/2, -z+1/2 #2 -x+1, y+1/2, -z+1/2

| Complex S3      |          |                   |          |
|-----------------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| Sn(1)-O(2)      | 2.200(6) | Sn(1)-O(3)        | 2.277(6) |
| Sn(1)-O(5)      | 2.042(5) | Sn(2)-O(4)        | 2.248(6) |
| Sn(2)-O(5)      | 2.028(5) | Sn(2)-O(6)        | 2.107(6) |
| Sn(3)-O(5)      | 2.181(5) | Sn(3)-O(6)        | 2.056(6) |
| Sn(3)-O(8)      | 2.280(6) | Sn(4)-O(6)        | 2.026(5) |
| Sn(4)-O(8)      | 2.467(7) | Sn(4)-O(9)        | 2.137(6) |
| O(5)-Sn(1)-O(2) | 79.2(2)  | O(5)-Sn(1)-O(3)   | 89.5(2)  |
| O(2)-Sn(1)-O(3) | 168.1(2) | C(25)-Sn(1)-C(26) | 149.3(4) |
| O(5)-Sn(2)-O(6) | 75.8(2)  | O(5)-Sn(2)-O(4)   | 87.5(2)  |
| O(6)-Sn(2)-O(4) | 162.4(2) | C(29)-Sn(2)-C(30) | 131.6(4) |
| O(6)-Sn(3)-O(5) | 73.6(2)  | O(6)-Sn(3)-O(8)   | 72.1(2)  |
| O(5)-Sn(3)-O(8) | 145.7(2) | C(27)-Sn(3)-C(28) | 141.5(4) |
| O(6)-Sn(4)-O(8) | 68.6(2)  | O(9)-Sn(4)-O(8)   | 149.6(2) |
| O(6)-Sn(4)-O(9) | 81.2(2)  | C(32)-Sn(4)-C(31) | 139.5(4) |

 Table S7 Selected bond lengths [Å] and angles [°] for complex S3

# 3. Figures of crystal structure



Figure S1 The asymmetry unit (a) and 1D infinite zig-zag chain structure (b) of complex S1. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.



Figure S2 Molecular structure (a) and 1D infinite chain structure connected by C-

H···O and C-H···S hydrogen bonding interactions (b) of complex S3. Hydrogen atoms are omitted for clarity.