

## Supporting Information:

# Coordination Chemistry of Stannylene-Based Lewis pairs – Insertion into M–Cl and M–C bonds. From base stabilized stannylenes to bidentate ligands.

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# 1 Crystallographic Details

## 1.1 Crystal Structure Refinement Tables

**Table S1.** Crystal structure refinement table of compounds **1** - **5**.

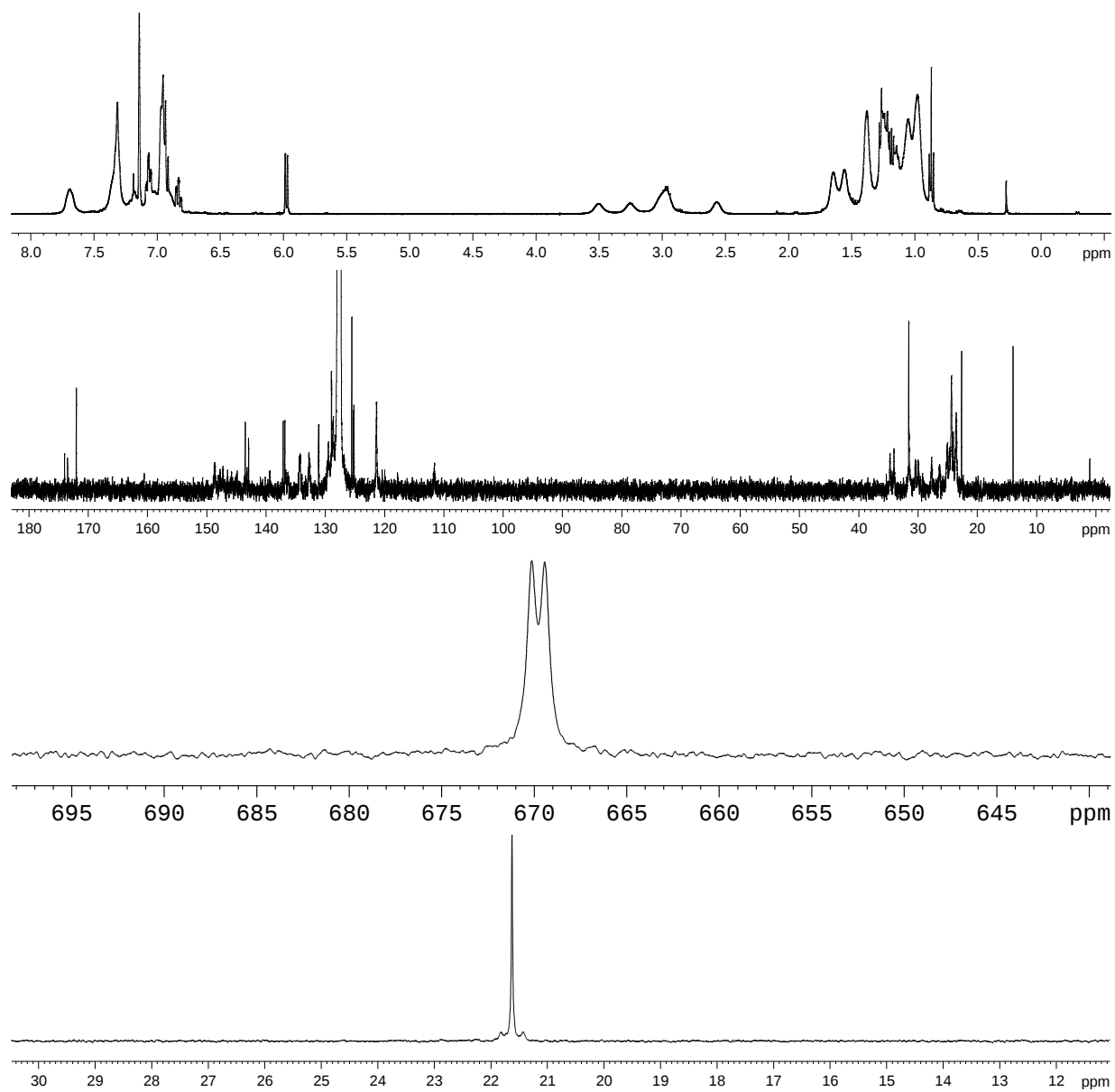
|                                                               | <b>1</b>                                     | <b>2</b> × (1 · 0.5 C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub> · 0.75 C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> ) | <b>2</b>                                     | <b>3</b> · Et <sub>2</sub> O                 | <b>4</b> · C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>12</sub>    |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Empirical formula                                             | C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>63</sub> PPdSn        | C <sub>228.50</sub> H <sub>271</sub> P <sub>4</sub> Pd <sub>2</sub> Sn <sub>4</sub>       | C <sub>62</sub> H <sub>75</sub> ClIrPSn      | C <sub>66</sub> H <sub>96.68</sub> ClIrOPSn  | C <sub>58.63</sub> H <sub>74.13</sub> ClPrhS |
| M <sub>r</sub> / g mol <sup>-1</sup>                          | 968.10                                       | 3828.88                                                                                   | 1195.72                                      | 1283.42                                      | 1066.82                                      |
| λ / Å                                                         | 0.71073                                      | 0.71073                                                                                   | 0.71073                                      | 0.71073                                      | 0.71073                                      |
| T / K                                                         | 100(2)                                       | 100(2)                                                                                    | 100(2)                                       | 100(2)                                       | 100(2)                                       |
| Crystal system                                                | monoclinic                                   | monoclinic                                                                                | monoclinic                                   | monoclinic                                   | monoclinic                                   |
| Space group                                                   | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>           | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>                                                        | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>           | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i>           | <i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>n</i>           |
| Z                                                             | 4                                            | 4                                                                                         | 4                                            | 4                                            | 4                                            |
| a / Å                                                         | 11.8542(3)                                   | 30.3699(12)                                                                               | 15.7017(4)                                   | 14.6015(3)                                   | 13.1474(2)                                   |
| b / Å                                                         | 29.1032(7)                                   | 23.0190(9)                                                                                | 15.4093(4)                                   | 24.6948(6)                                   | 16.9062(3)                                   |
| c / Å                                                         | 13.0527(3)                                   | 31.7092(12)                                                                               | 22.9954(5)                                   | 17.6646(4)                                   | 24.3248(4)                                   |
| α / °                                                         | 90                                           | 90                                                                                        | 90                                           | 90                                           | 90                                           |
| β / °                                                         | 96.1220(10)                                  | 118.378(2)                                                                                | 108.6070(10)                                 | 110.0670(10)                                 | 103.3070(10)                                 |
| γ / °                                                         | 90                                           | 90                                                                                        | 90                                           | 90                                           | 90                                           |
| V / Å <sup>3</sup>                                            | 4477.44(19)                                  | 19503.6(14)                                                                               | 5273.0(2)                                    | 5982.8(2)                                    | 5261.57(15)                                  |
| D <sub>c</sub> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>                           | 1.436                                        | 1.304                                                                                     | 1.506                                        | 1.425                                        | 1.347                                        |
| μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>                                          | 1.031                                        | 0.771                                                                                     | 3.114                                        | 2.751                                        | 0.905                                        |
| F(000)                                                        | 1992                                         | 7976                                                                                      | 2420                                         | 2639                                         | 2212                                         |
| Crystal size / mm                                             | 0.08 × 0.14 × 0.22                           | 0.28 × 0.33 × 0.45                                                                        | 0.10 × 0.23 × 0.34                           | 0.07 × 0.14 × 0.37                           | 0.23 × 0.26 × 0.44                           |
| θ range / °                                                   | 2.72 - 27.08                                 | 2.72 - 27.12                                                                              | 2.30 - 28.41                                 | 2.45 - 28.27                                 | 2.96 - 28.29                                 |
| Limiting indices                                              | -15 ≤ h ≤ 15<br>-31 ≤ k ≤ 37<br>-16 ≤ l ≤ 16 | -38 ≤ h ≤ 38<br>-29 ≤ k ≤ 29<br>-40 ≤ l ≤ 40                                              | -20 ≤ h ≤ 20<br>-20 ≤ k ≤ 20<br>-30 ≤ l ≤ 30 | -18 ≤ h ≤ 19<br>-32 ≤ k ≤ 24<br>-23 ≤ l ≤ 23 | -17 ≤ h ≤ 17<br>-22 ≤ k ≤ 14<br>-30 ≤ l ≤ 31 |
| Reflects. collect.                                            | 39321                                        | 316738                                                                                    | 82748                                        | 56658                                        | 49922                                        |
| Indepdnt Reflects                                             | 9866                                         | 43063                                                                                     | 13226                                        | 14729                                        | 12968                                        |
| R <sub>int</sub>                                              | 0.0368                                       | 0.0480                                                                                    | 0.0266                                       | 0.0324                                       | 0.0203                                       |
| Completeness                                                  | 99.8                                         | 99.5                                                                                      | 99.6                                         | 98.8                                         | 99.0                                         |
| Absorp. Corr.                                                 | numerical                                    | multi-scan                                                                                | numerical                                    | numerical                                    | numerical                                    |
| Trans.(max., min.)                                            | 0.8663, 1.0000                               | 0.6644, 0.7455                                                                            | 0.5142, 0.7676                               | 0.4529, 0.8907                               | 0.7567, 0.9048                               |
| Parameters/restraints                                         | 526/0                                        | 2209/189                                                                                  | 656/0                                        | 689/210                                      | 601/82                                       |
| R <sub>1</sub> , ωR <sub>2</sub> [ <i>I</i> > 2σ( <i>I</i> )] | 0.0292, 0.0574                               | 0.0721, 0.0977                                                                            | 0.0236, 0.0496                               | 0.0318, 0.0638                               | 0.0282, 0.0632                               |
| R <sub>1</sub> , ωR <sub>2</sub> (all data)                   | 0.0469, 0.0625                               | 0.0488, 0.1157                                                                            | 0.0290, 0.0517                               | 0.0517, 0.0710                               | 0.0350, 0.0664                               |
| Goof on F <sup>2</sup>                                        | 1.043                                        | 1.087                                                                                     | 1.051                                        | 1.038                                        | 1.047                                        |
| Δρ <sub>max,min</sub> / e·Å <sup>-3</sup>                     | 0.73, -0.90                                  | 2.659, -1.223                                                                             | 2.103, -1.744                                | 1.454, -1.160                                | 1.020, -0.635                                |
| CCDC                                                          | 1575456                                      | 1575450                                                                                   | 1575455                                      | 1575452                                      | 1575454                                      |

**Table S1.** Crystal structure refinement table of compounds **1** - **5**.

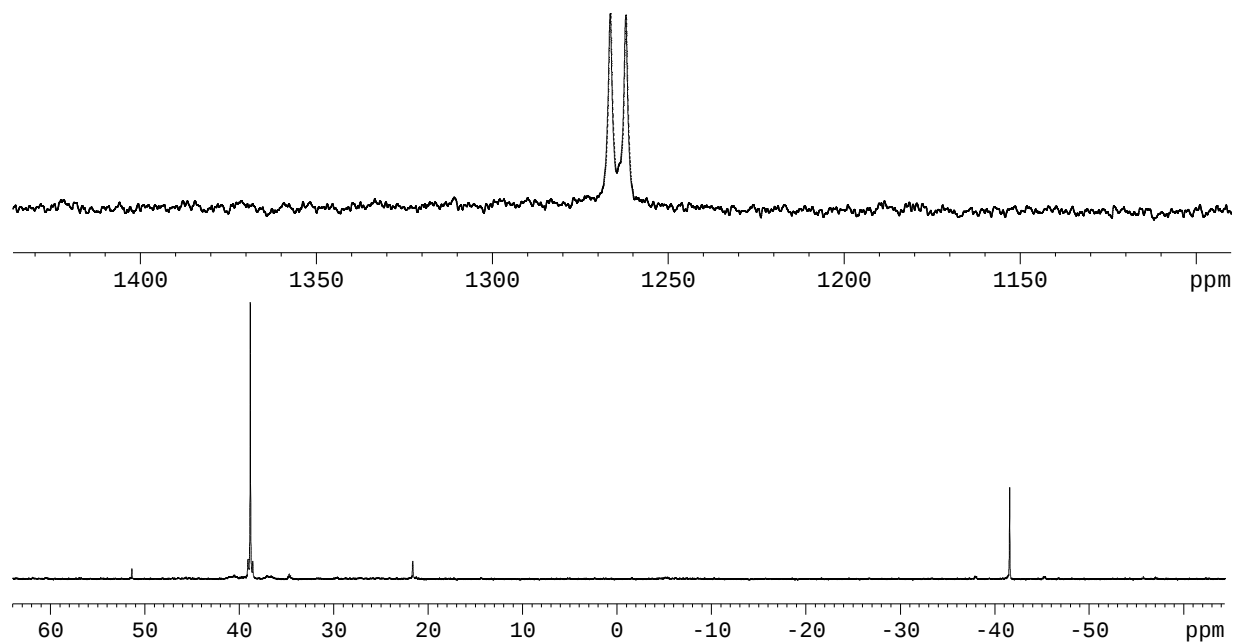
|                                              | <b>2 × 5</b>                                 | <b>6 · 3 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>14</sub></b>                                                         | <b>7 · 2.5 C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub></b>                          |
|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Empirical formula                            | C <sub>54</sub> H <sub>75</sub> ClPRhSn      | C <sub>126</sub> H <sub>168</sub> Au <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> P <sub>2</sub> Sn <sup>2</sup> | C <sub>127</sub> H <sub>151</sub> P <sub>2</sub> PtSn <sub>2</sub> |
| M <sub>r</sub> / g mol <sup>-1</sup>         | 1012.16                                      | 2446.75                                                                                          | 2171.89                                                            |
| λ / Å                                        | 0.71073                                      | 0.71073                                                                                          | 0.71073                                                            |
| T / K                                        | 100(2)                                       | 100(2)                                                                                           | 100(2)                                                             |
| Crystal system                               | triclinic                                    | triclinic                                                                                        | monoclinic                                                         |
| Space group                                  | P -1                                         | P -1                                                                                             | P 2 <sub>1</sub> /c                                                |
| Z                                            | 4                                            | 2                                                                                                | 4                                                                  |
| a / Å                                        | 10.7739(3)                                   | 16.4035(16)                                                                                      | 28.0389(11)                                                        |
| b / Å                                        | 21.1752(7)                                   | 19.1262(19)                                                                                      | 17.6143(7)                                                         |
| c / Å                                        | 21.9700(7)                                   | 21.0975(19)                                                                                      | 23.7299(10)                                                        |
| α / °                                        | 102.270(2)                                   | 115.474(5)                                                                                       | 90                                                                 |
| β / °                                        | 95.204(2)                                    | 95.227(5)                                                                                        | 113.2410(10)                                                       |
| γ / °                                        | 95.573(2)                                    | 94.065(5)                                                                                        | 90                                                                 |
| V / Å <sup>3</sup>                           | 4842.5(3)                                    | 5905.9(10)                                                                                       | 10768.8(8)                                                         |
| D <sub>c</sub> / g cm <sup>-3</sup>          | 1.388                                        | 1.376                                                                                            | 1.340                                                              |
| μ / mm <sup>-1</sup>                         | 0.979                                        | 3.012                                                                                            | 1.835                                                              |
| F(000)                                       | 2104                                         | 2492                                                                                             | 4484                                                               |
| Crystal size / mm                            | 0.06 × 0.08 × 0.13                           | 0.10 × 0.17 × 0.21                                                                               | 0.17 × 0.15 × 0.12                                                 |
| θ range / °                                  | 2.26 - 26.39                                 | 2.35 - 27.08                                                                                     | 1.40 - 27.52                                                       |
| Limiting indices                             | -12 ≤ h ≤ 12<br>-24 ≤ k ≤ 25<br>-26 ≤ l ≤ 26 | -21 ≤ h ≤ 20<br>-24 ≤ k ≤ 24<br>-27 ≤ l ≤ 27                                                     | -36 ≤ h ≤ 35<br>-22 ≤ k ≤ 22<br>-26 ≤ l ≤ 30                       |
| Reflects. collect.                           | 74568                                        | 97945                                                                                            | 24382                                                              |
| Indepdnt Reflects                            | 17674                                        | 25901                                                                                            | 17843                                                              |
| R <sub>int</sub>                             | 0.0481                                       | 0.0533                                                                                           | 0.0732                                                             |
| Completeness                                 | 99.6                                         | 99.0                                                                                             | 98.4                                                               |
| Absorp. Corr.                                | numerical                                    | numerical                                                                                        | numerical                                                          |
| Trans.(max., min.)                           | 0.8757, 1.0000                               | 0.6223, 0.8785                                                                                   | 0.75, 0.84                                                         |
| Parameters/restraints                        | 1058/0                                       | 1245/337                                                                                         | 1216/84                                                            |
| R <sub>1</sub> , ωR <sub>2</sub> [I > 2σ(I)] | 0.0323, 0.0665                               | 0.0388, 0.0746                                                                                   | 0.0436, 0.0609                                                     |
| R <sub>1</sub> , ωR <sub>2</sub> (all data)  | 0.0590, 0.0740                               | 0.0629, 0.0809                                                                                   | 0.0843, 0.0699                                                     |
| Goof on F <sup>2</sup>                       | 0.989                                        | 1.021                                                                                            | 1.035                                                              |
| Δρ <sub>max,min</sub> / e·Å <sup>-3</sup>    | 1.213, -0.624                                | 2.710, -1.511                                                                                    | 2.220, -2.713                                                      |
| CCDC                                         | 1575451                                      | 1575453                                                                                          | 1575457                                                            |

## 2 Additional NMR Data

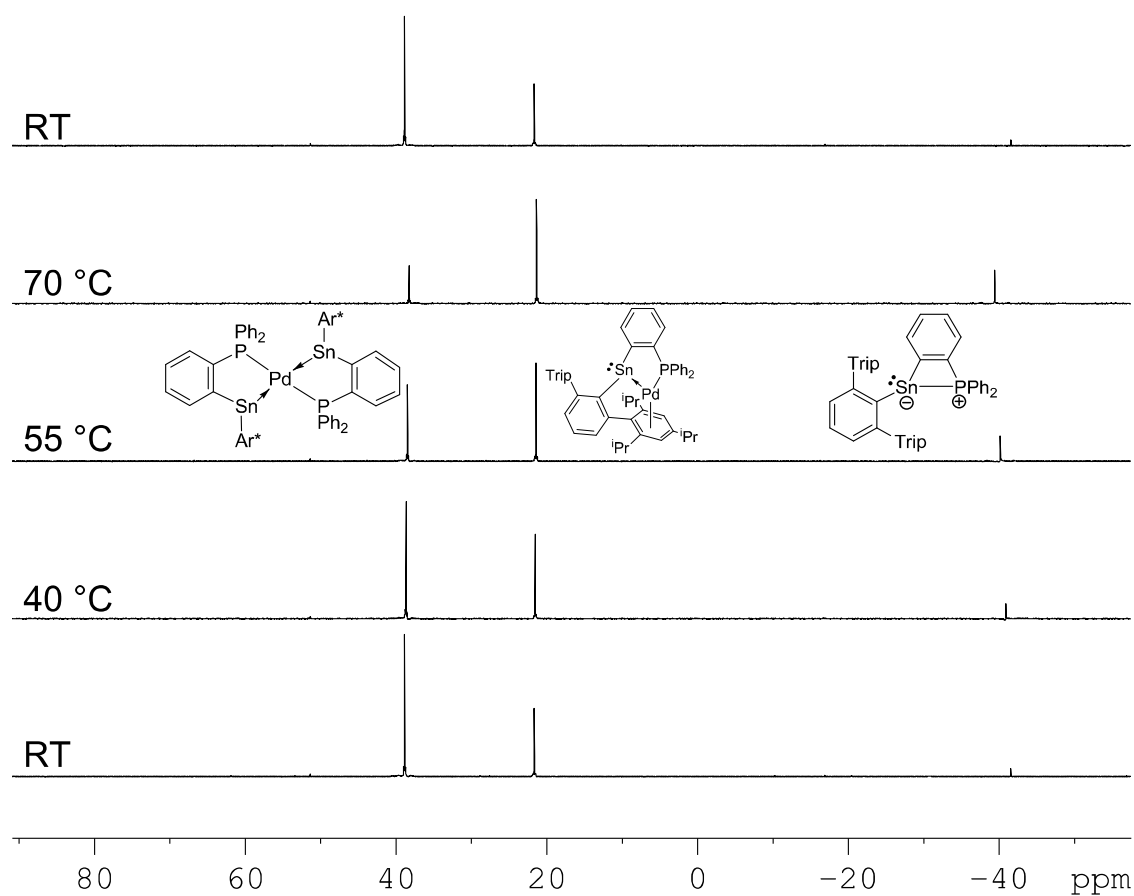
### 2.1 $^1\text{H}$ , $^{13}\text{C}$ , $^{119}\text{Sn}$ and $^{31}\text{P}$ NMR spectra for compound **E** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )



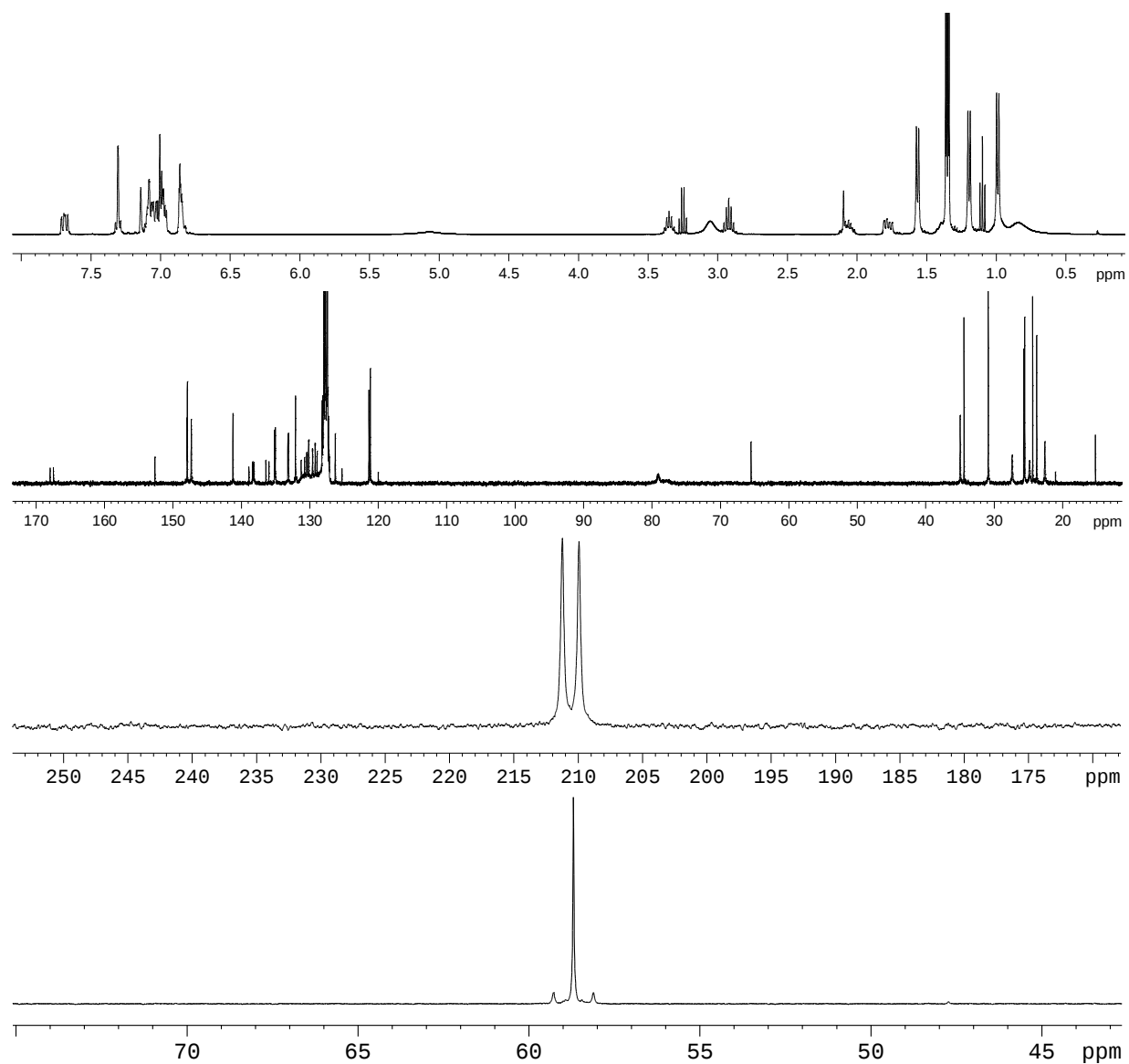
2.2  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for compound **1** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ ) and dT  $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR spectra for the equilibrium of **A**, **E** and **1**.



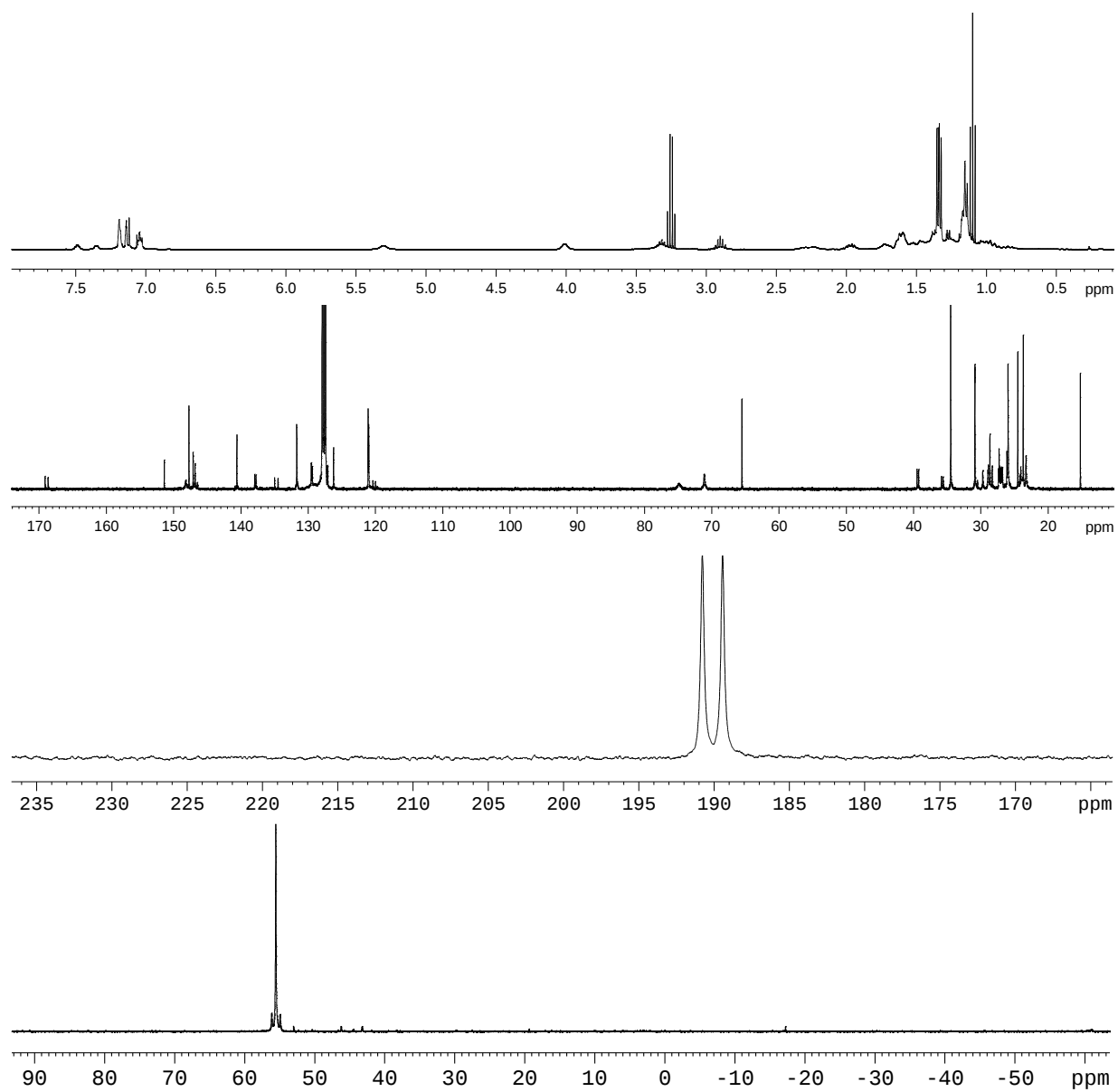
The room temperature spectrum at the top was obtained after the heating process.



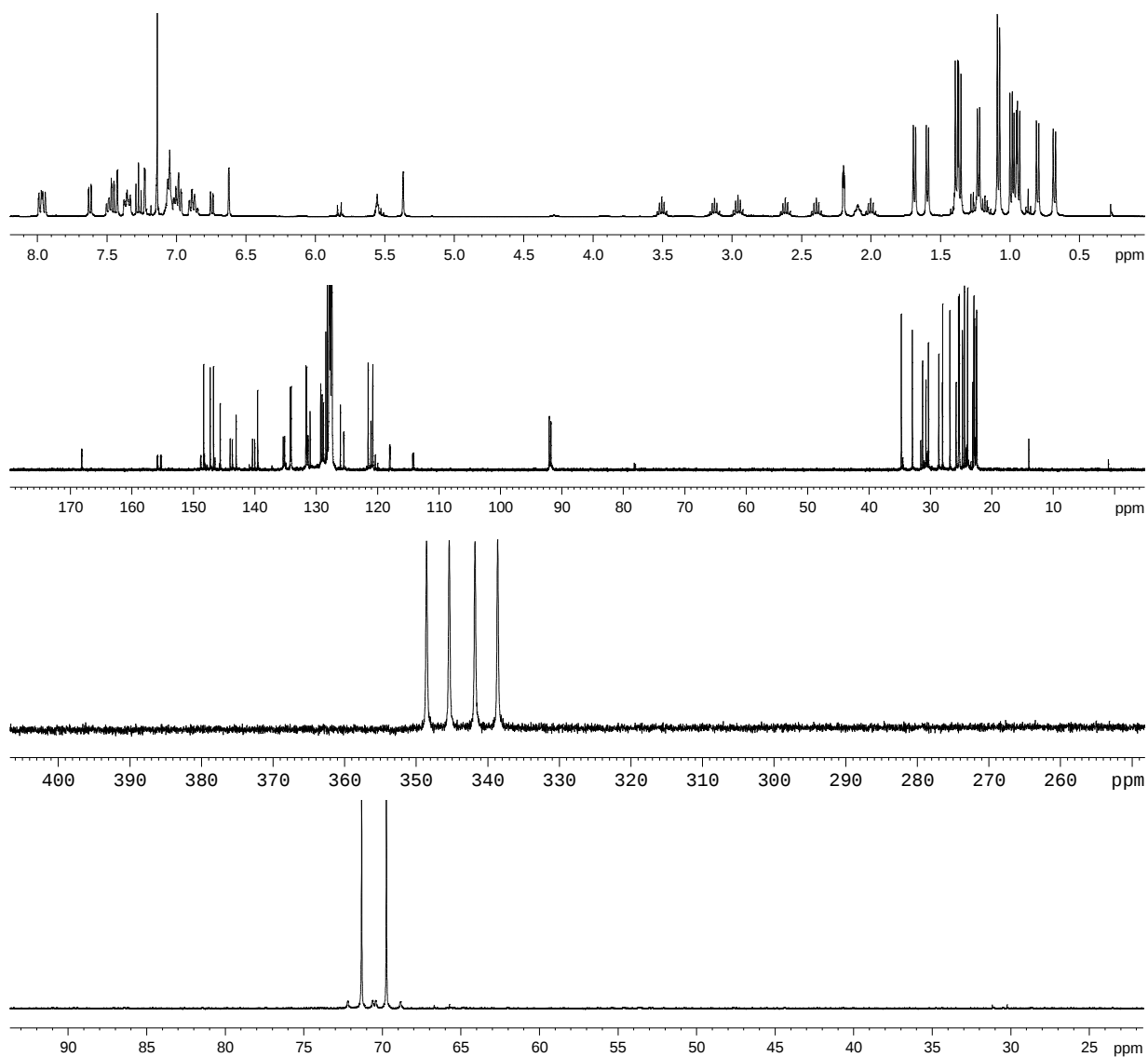
2.3  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for compound **2** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )



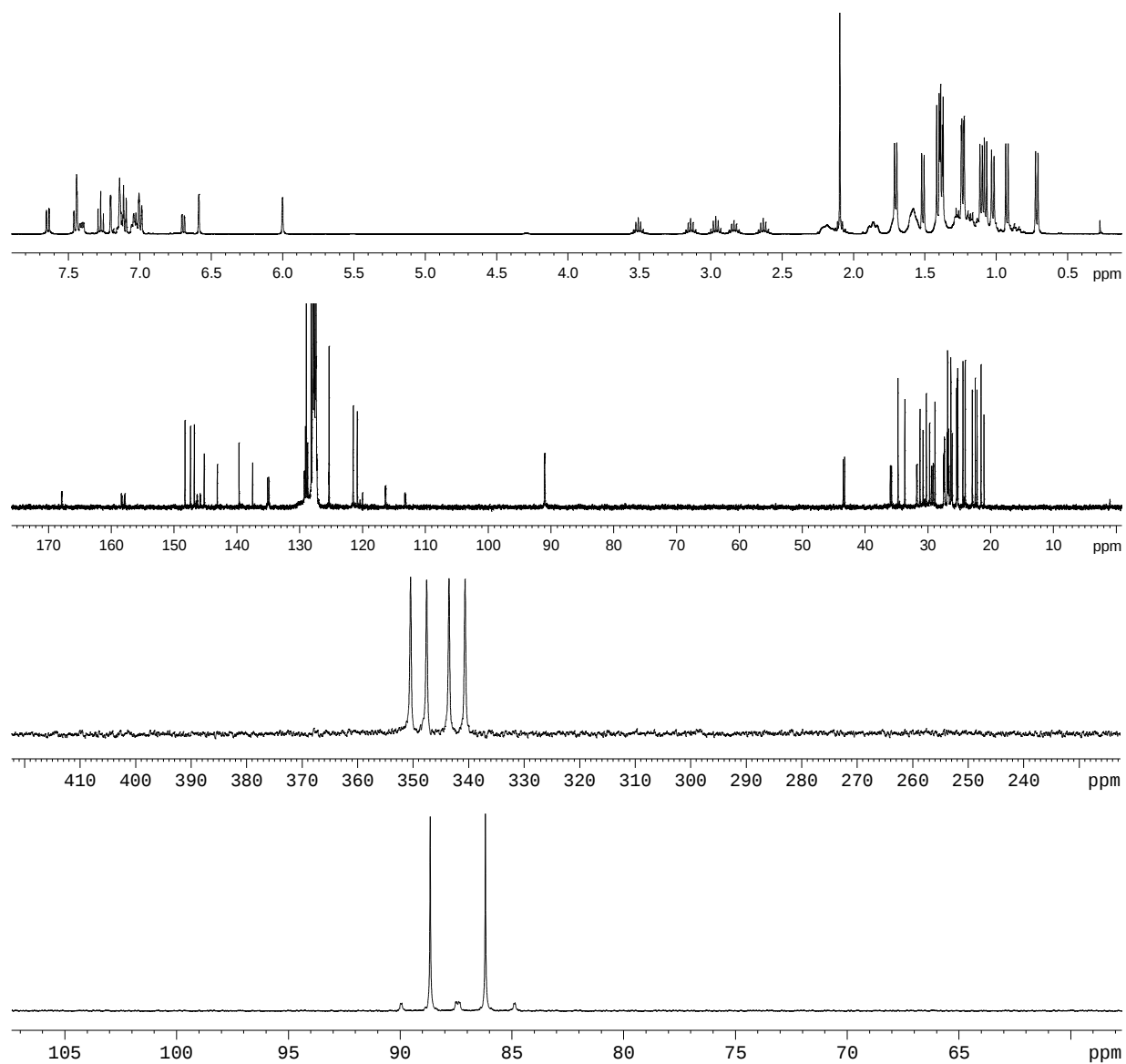
2.4  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for compound **3** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )



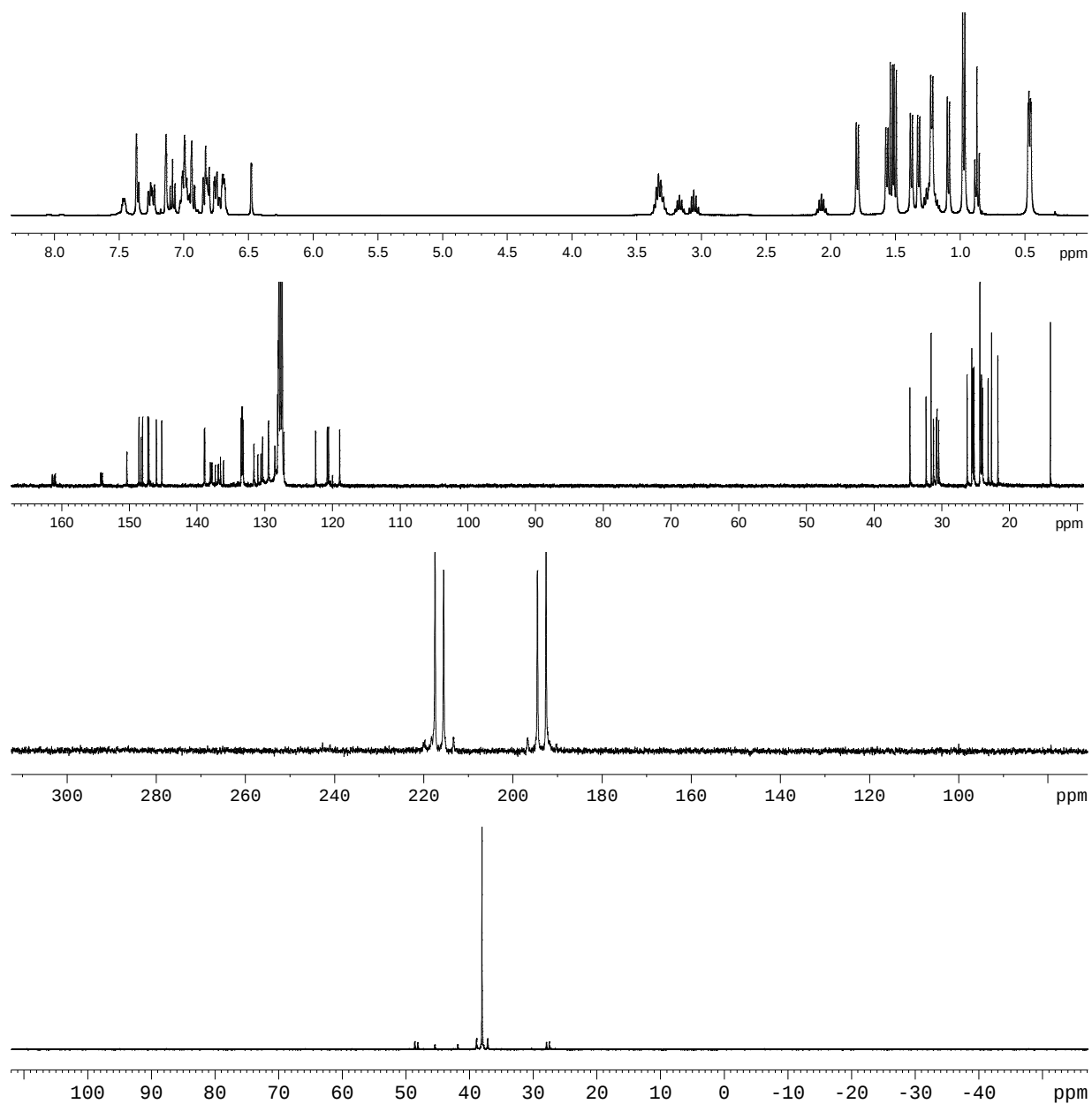
2.5  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for compound **4** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )



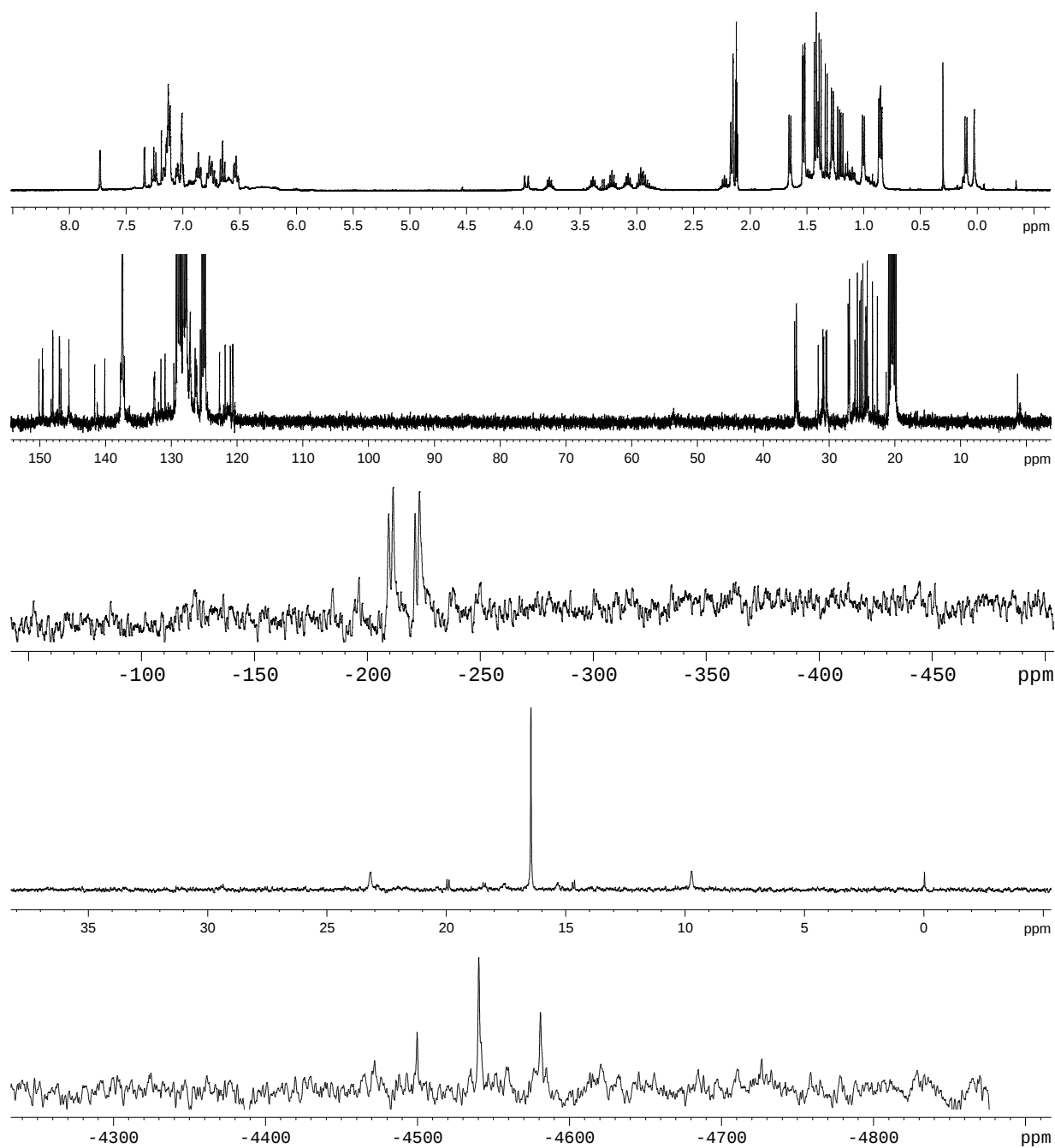
2.6  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for compound **5** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )



2.7  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$  and  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR spectra for compound **6** ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )



2.8  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^{13}\text{C}$ ,  $^{119}\text{Sn}$ ,  $^{31}\text{P}$  and  $^{195}\text{Pt}$  NMR spectra for compound **7** (Tol- $\text{d}_8$ )



### 3 Quantum chemical calculations

#### 3.1 Computational Details: Structure Optimisation and NBO analysis

DFT calculations were carried out with Gaussian09.<sup>1</sup> The molecular structure of complex **E** was optimised using the BP86 functional, along with the implemented def2-TZVP basis set for all atoms, except Sn and Pd.<sup>2-7</sup> For these atoms, Stuttgart Dresden effective core potentials were employed, in combination with optimised valence basis sets as implemented in Gaussian 09.<sup>2-7</sup> Dispersion corrections were included by adding the D3 version of Grimme's dispersion with Becke-Johnson damping.<sup>8</sup> The geometry optimization was performed without imposing any symmetry constraints, and the structure obtained was confirmed as a true minimum by calculating analytical frequencies, which gave two spurious imaginary frequencies. Natural bond orbitals were obtained using the NBO 6.0 software.<sup>9-11</sup> Plots were generated with the software Chemcraft.<sup>12</sup>

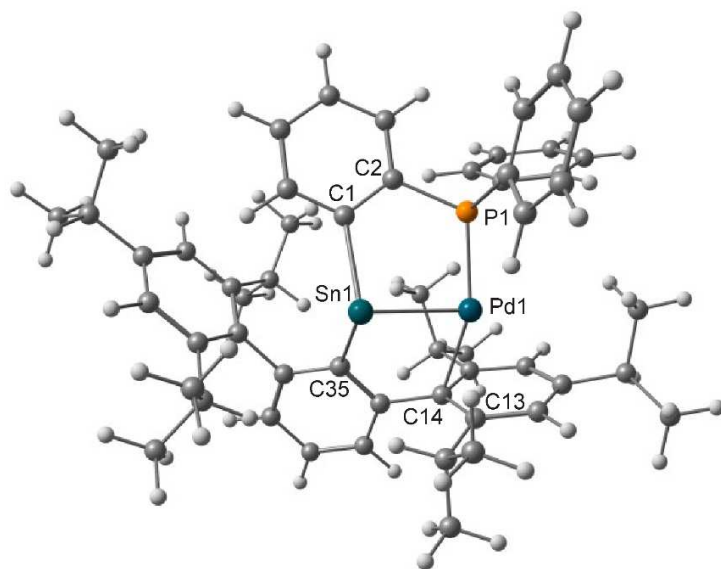
**Table S2.** Optimised geometry

| Atom | X               | Y               | Z               | (Å) |
|------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----|
| C    | -1.565497000000 | -2.812048000000 | -3.254853000000 |     |
| C    | 3.915569000000  | -1.224201000000 | -3.506570000000 |     |
| C    | -1.100042000000 | -4.891097000000 | -1.877103000000 |     |
| C    | 4.959792000000  | -3.005743000000 | -2.039026000000 |     |
| C    | -1.055485000000 | -3.352756000000 | -1.915629000000 |     |
| C    | -3.245474000000 | 2.438579000000  | -3.907288000000 |     |
| C    | -3.264806000000 | 3.831743000000  | -4.009185000000 |     |
| C    | 3.955221000000  | -1.840718000000 | -2.103059000000 |     |
| C    | -6.191243000000 | -2.821046000000 | -0.750548000000 |     |
| C    | -2.801549000000 | 1.832102000000  | -2.729098000000 |     |
| C    | -3.215478000000 | -2.655968000000 | -0.752365000000 |     |
| C    | -1.805623000000 | -2.806865000000 | -0.710059000000 |     |
| C    | -2.839850000000 | 4.617815000000  | -2.931155000000 |     |
| C    | 4.261180000000  | -0.829848000000 | -1.006289000000 |     |
| C    | -5.442767000000 | -2.042746000000 | 0.337237000000  |     |
| C    | -5.650117000000 | -0.523685000000 | 0.170093000000  |     |

|   |                 |                 |                 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| C | 5.226998000000  | 0.166515000000  | -1.206923000000 |
| C | -3.955693000000 | -2.335345000000 | 0.393222000000  |
| C | -2.378408000000 | 2.613948000000  | -1.645889000000 |
| C | -1.121660000000 | -2.586930000000 | 0.529632000000  |
| C | 1.276678000000  | -1.786513000000 | 0.252943000000  |
| C | 0.358816000000  | -2.789226000000 | 0.638569000000  |
| C | -2.398070000000 | 4.012956000000  | -1.754320000000 |
| C | 0.802020000000  | -3.989470000000 | 1.219371000000  |
| C | 2.642097000000  | -2.005797000000 | 0.538582000000  |
| C | 2.159719000000  | -4.202760000000 | 1.458098000000  |
| C | 3.074380000000  | -3.198077000000 | 1.138930000000  |
| C | 3.645104000000  | -0.932111000000 | 0.261192000000  |
| C | 0.958725000000  | 1.801210000000  | -0.234776000000 |
| C | 2.202685000000  | 2.449382000000  | -0.165330000000 |
| C | 5.610568000000  | 1.042823000000  | -0.187836000000 |
| C | -3.269365000000 | -2.190038000000 | 1.615436000000  |
| C | -1.876638000000 | -2.295362000000 | 1.714270000000  |
| C | 6.678228000000  | 2.093435000000  | -0.437476000000 |
| C | -0.171244000000 | 2.513748000000  | 0.218254000000  |
| C | 6.110938000000  | 3.517312000000  | -0.318538000000 |
| C | 3.992514000000  | -0.033981000000 | 1.296245000000  |
| C | 2.330481000000  | 3.724965000000  | 0.390923000000  |
| C | 7.888307000000  | 1.900784000000  | 0.491762000000  |
| C | 4.980176000000  | 0.927255000000  | 1.056314000000  |
| C | -4.272072000000 | 2.689901000000  | 0.847223000000  |
| C | -0.050895000000 | 3.794392000000  | 0.785429000000  |
| C | -2.935688000000 | 2.393905000000  | 1.161037000000  |
| C | 1.205553000000  | 4.393544000000  | 0.885232000000  |
| C | -1.157208000000 | -2.048083000000 | 3.031652000000  |
| C | 3.331975000000  | -0.115705000000 | 2.665730000000  |
| C | -0.577991000000 | -0.621436000000 | 3.056501000000  |
| C | -5.166192000000 | 3.064081000000  | 1.851967000000  |
| C | -2.025500000000 | -2.302538000000 | 4.268432000000  |
| C | -2.509766000000 | 2.484626000000  | 2.497072000000  |
| C | 2.695831000000  | 1.215866000000  | 3.091610000000  |
| C | 4.332219000000  | -0.620338000000 | 3.719245000000  |
| C | -4.738398000000 | 3.144680000000  | 3.180690000000  |

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|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| C | -3.406650000000 | 2.857878000000  | 3.499066000000  |
| H | -0.919616000000 | -3.165868000000 | -4.071315000000 |
| H | -2.588835000000 | -3.153061000000 | -3.475098000000 |
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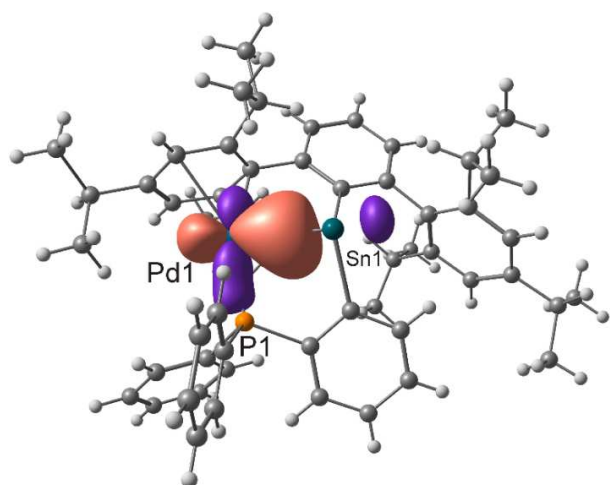
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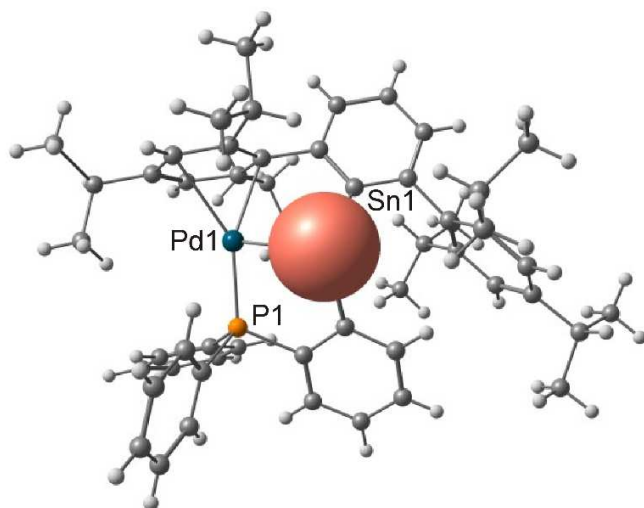
**Fig. S1** Optimised molecular structure of compound **E**.

**Table S3.** Selected distances and angles of **E**, measured (molecular structure in the solid state) and calculated values

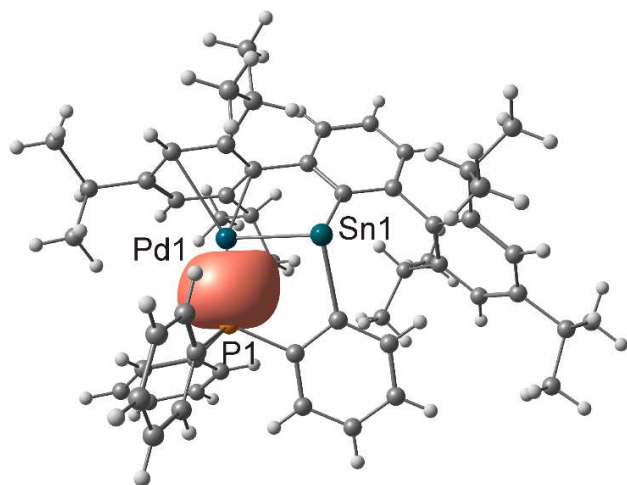
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| Sn1–Pd1        | 2.6279(3)      | 2.722            |
| Sn1–C1         | 2.221(2)       | 2.271            |
| Sn1–C35        | 2.255(2)       | 2.307            |
| Pd1–P1         | 2.2226(6)      | 2.215            |
| Pd1–C13        | 2.418(2)       | 2.397            |
| Pd1–C14        | 2.342(2)       | 2.392            |
| P1–C2          | 1.831(3)       | 1.832            |
| Pd1–Sn1–C1     | 94.3(1),       | 91.1             |
| Pd1–Sn1–C35    | 87.2(1)        | 85.2             |
| P1–Pd1–Sn1     | 85.2(1)        | 85.5             |
| Sn1–C1–C2      | 118.4(2)       | 119.8            |
| P1–C2–C1       | 116.7(2)       | 116.5            |
| C1–Sn1–C35     | 105.6(1)       | 105.1            |



**Fig. S2** NLMO 69 of compound **E**: donor acceptor interaction Pd-Sn



**Fig. S3** NLMO 70 of compound **E**: lone pair at Sn.



**Fig. S4** NLMO 212 of compound **E**: P-Pd donor interaction.

The summary of the natural population analysis results with natural charges of 0.11 for Pd, 0.80 for Sn and 0.99 for P.

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