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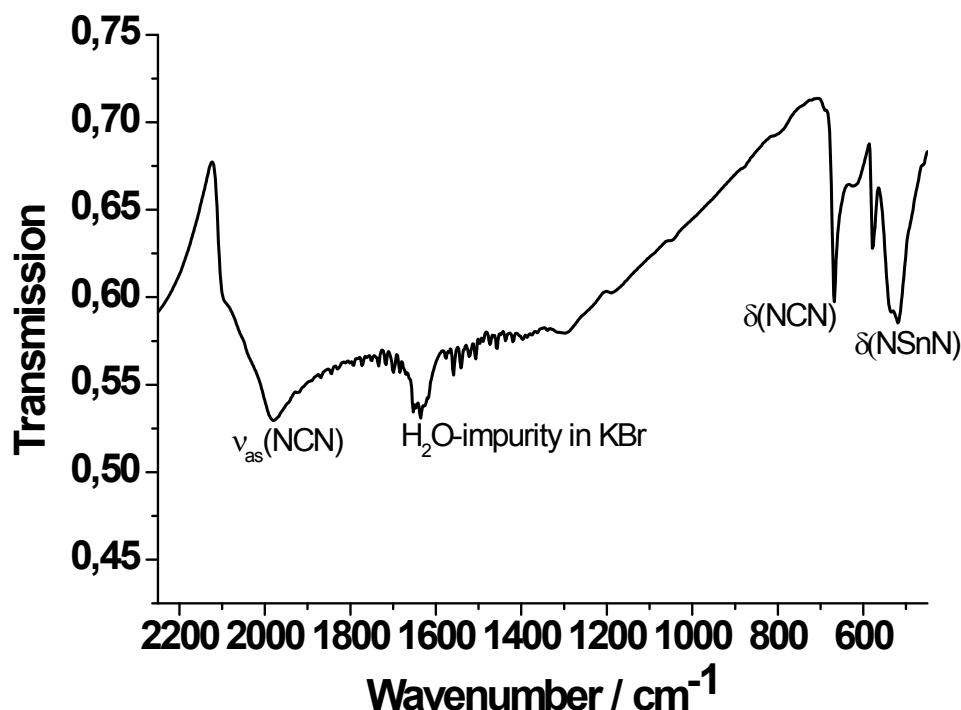


Figure S1. IR spectrum of $\text{Sn}_2\text{O}(\text{CN}_2)$.

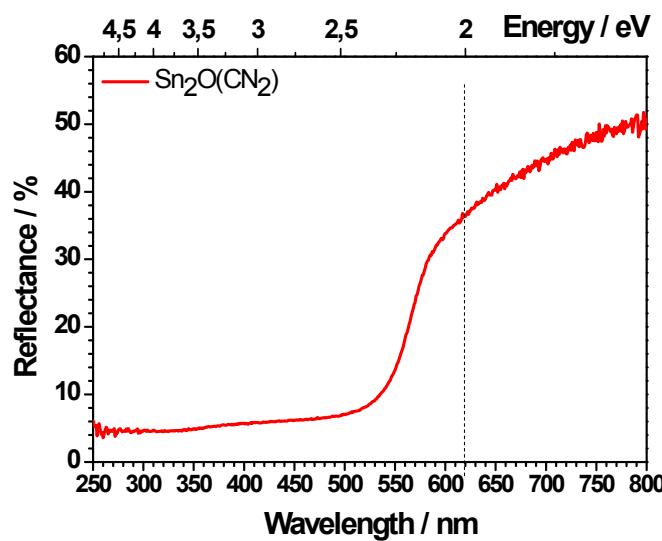


Figure S2. Reflection spectrum of $\text{Sn}_2\text{O}(\text{CN}_2)$ (black), $\text{Sn}(\text{CN}_2)$ (red) and Sn powder (blue) against BaSO_4 as a white standard.

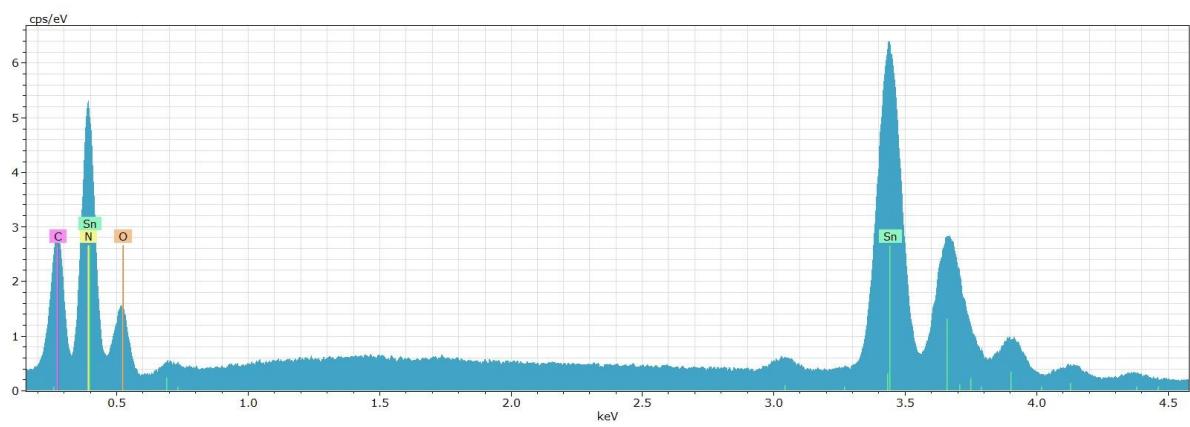


Figure S3. EDX spectrum of $\text{Sn}_2\text{O}(\text{CN}_2)$.

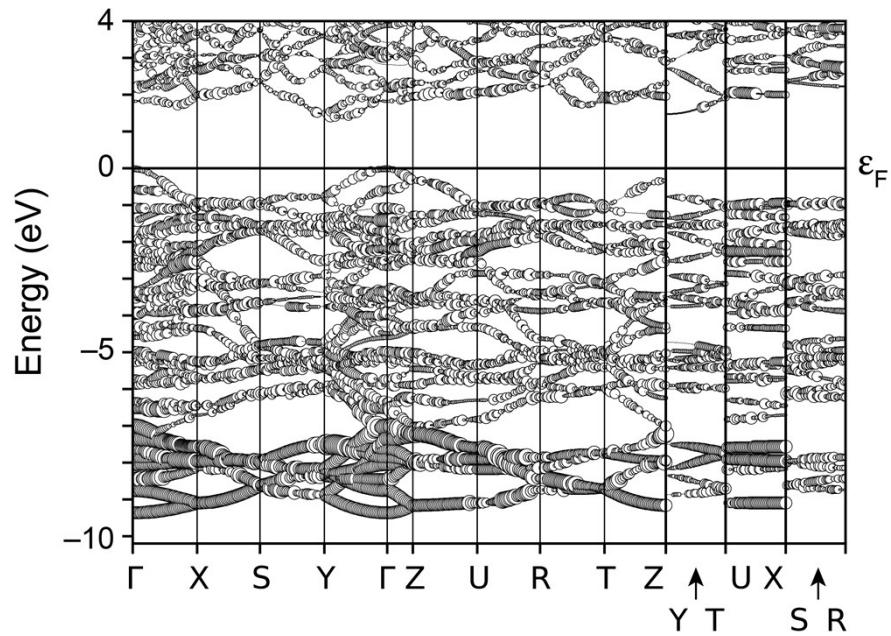


Figure S4. Fatband analysis of the contribution of the 5s orbital of Sn to the band structure of $\text{Sn}_2\text{O}(\text{CN}_2)$. Bigger points indicate stronger contribution.

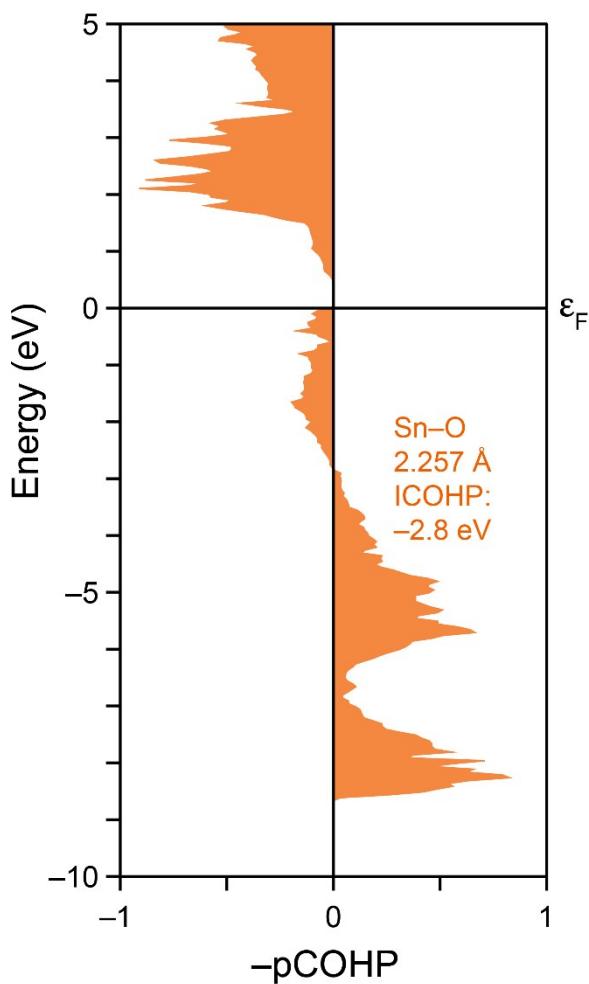


Figure S5. COHP curve of the Sn–O interactions in SnO.

Table S1. EDX- results

| element | series | w.%Theo | w.% | σ w.% |
|---------|--------|---------|-------|--------------|
| Sn | L | 80,91 | 70,68 | 1,80 |
| N | K | 9,55 | 13,88 | 0,54 |
| C | K | 4,09 | 7,86 | 0,31 |
| O | K | 5,45 | 7,57 | 0,34 |