Tetrakis(4-carboxyphenyl)stannane - a Versatile Building Block for Heterometallic Coordination Polymers

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In spite of limitations mainly due to air or moisture sensitivity, organometallic species can be used as *exo*-bi- or multidentate spacers in coordination chemistry to result in heterometallic polymers.¹ However, the use of main group organometallics as building blocks is largely undeveloped. We have reported recently on the use of bis(4-pyridyl)mercury(II)^{2,3} and triphenylbismuth(V) derivatives of isonicotinic and nicotinic acids¹ as neutral organometallic ditopic linkers to build coordination polymers.

As an extension of our work on heterometallic coordination polymers we investigated the potential of the tetrahedral organometallic tecton $[Sn(C_6H_4CO_2-4)_4]^{4-}$ (L) as building block. We report here on several new coordination polymers of different dimensionalities obtained by reacting metal salts or complexes with $Sn[C_6H_4C(O)OH-4]_4$ in basic or acidic media, *i.e.* $[Co(H_2L)(CH_3OH)_4]$ (1-D), $[\{Zn(cyclam)\}_2(L)]$ and $[\{Cu(phen)\}_2(H_2O)(L)]$ (2-D), or $[M_2(L)(DMF)_2(H_2O)]$ (M = Zn, Cd), $[M_2(L)(CH_3OH)_3]$ (M = Co, Zn), $[\{Cu_2(H_2O)_2\}(L)]$ and $[Na_2M(L)]$ (3-D) (see Figure 1).

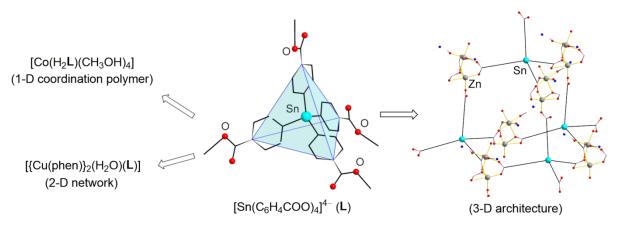


Figure 1 Types of coordination polymers based on the organometallic tecton [Sn(C₆H₄CO₂-4)₄]⁴⁻.

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