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Two unique hybrid tin iodides, with generic compositions $A_{0.5}A'_{0.5}Snl_3$ and $A_{1.5}A'_{0.5}Snl_4$ have been prepared. Each shows ordering of the two organic moieties (A and A') on distinct crystallographic sites, leading to novel 3D and 2D structure types, respectively.

In recent years there have been a significant number of studies regarding organic-inorganic hybrid halide perovskites and the use of these materials for various applications.^{1–3} Many of these studies have focused primarily on the synthesis of lead-based materials due to their high photovoltaic efficiency^{4–6} and have resulted in a wide variety of crystal structures including 3D⁷ and lower dimensional layered perovskites⁸ (with the (110)oriented perovskites of particular interest to the present work).^{9,10} Both 3D (ABX₃) and (110)-oriented layered (AA'BX₄) perovskites (A = organic or inorganic monovalent cation, B = Pb^{2+} or Sn^{2+} , X = Cl, Br or I) contain corner-linked BX₆ octahedra. However, the 3D network in the (110) structures is disrupted, i.e. the 3D perovskite structure can be described as being sliced across an octahedral edge, resulting in layers of corner-linked BX₆ octahedra separated by A and A' cations. In our previous work,¹¹ we presented two new examples of (110)-oriented layered structures featuring ordering of two distinct organic moieties, namely (ImH)(GuH)PbBr₄ and (TzH)(GuH)PbBr₄ (ImH⁺ = imidazolium, GuH⁺ = guanidinium, TzH⁺ = 1,2,4-triazolium). In these materials we suggested that ordering of the organic cations is driven by ionic size effects and hydrogen-bonding factors. This is shown by the preference of GuH⁺ for different sites in each material (intra-layer and inter-layer sites, respectively). This different structural behaviour suggests a potentially diverse range of related target materials.

The rich structural and compositional flexibility of lead halide perovskites has contributed to their continued study.

However, due to the high toxicity of Pb, investigations into the replacement of this with less toxic elements such as Sn or Ge is of paramount importance.¹² While examples of hybrid perovskites containing each of these alternatives is known, Ge halide perovskites seem less promising due to the poor chemical stability of Ge²⁺.¹³ Sn-based perovskites are more desirable however, due to their similar electronic and optical properties to Pb perovskites and the eco-friendly degradation product, SnO₂.^{14,15}

In this paper we present two new hybrid Sn iodide perovskites inspired by our previous work on Pb bromide perovskites. Our nominal target compositions were AA'Snl₄, containing two distinct organic moieties, A and A'. To our surprise the reactions produced two novel structure types each showing unusual structural features which would have been difficult to predict, *viz.*, the 2D (110)-oriented layered perovskite (GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}Snl₄ (Me-ImH⁺ = 1methylimidazolium) and the 3D perovskite (GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}Snl₃.

Details of synthesis and characterisation are provided in ESI. The crystal structures of $(GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI_4$ (1) and $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI_3$ (2) were determined by single crystal X-ray diffraction at 173 K: crystallographic details given in Table 1. Fig. 1 shows the crystal structure of 1 at 173 K, in comparison to that of the previous, related example (ImH)(GuH)PbBr₄ at 93 K.¹¹ For

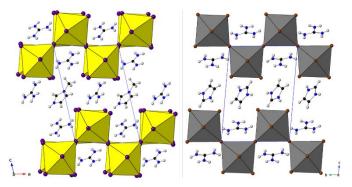


Figure 1 Crystal structure of (left) **1** at 173 K and (right) (ImH)(GuH)PbBr₄ at 93 K¹¹. Note the different nature of 'staggering' of neighbouring perovskite-like layers, due to the accommodation of '3 to 1' rather than '2 to 2' *inter*-layer ordering.

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Table 1 Crystallographic data and refinement details for 1 and 2, at 173 K.

	1	2
Formula	C ₇ N ₁₁ H ₂₅ Sn ₂ I ₈	$C_3N_6H_{10}Sn_2I_6$
Formula weight	1515.96	1128.95
Density/g cm ⁻³	3.08	3.591
Crystal system	Triclinic	Tetragonal
Space group	P-1	P4 ₃ 2 ₁ 2
a/Å	9.3530(7)	9.0746(6)
b/Å	12.8318(9)	9.0746(6)
c/Å	15.0588(11)	25.3561(18)
α/°	111.452(3)	90
в/°	102.192(3)	90
γ/°	91.234(3)	90
V/Å ³	1634.4(2)	2088.0(3)
Z	2	4
Measured ref	16872	20972
Independent ref	7442 [<i>R</i> (int) = 0.0315]	2382 [<i>R</i> (int) = 0.0754]
Refined parameter	254	78
GOOF	1.017	1.047
Final R indices (I >	$R_1 = 0.0263,$	$R_1 = 0.0239,$
2 <i>σ</i> (<i>I</i>))	wR ₂ =0.0725	$wR_2 = 0.0592$

clarity, disorder around the GuH⁺ site in (ImH)(GuH)PbBr₄ has been omitted. It can be seen that the structure of **1** features several significant differences. Unlike in both our previously described materials, where GuH⁺ occupies either *intra*- or *inter*layer sites preferentially, in a 1:1 ratio with the second organic cation, in this case the 3:1 ratio leads to GuH⁺ occupying both *intra*- and *inter*-layer sites simultaneously. This dual site occupancy has an additional effect that in order to optimise hydrogen bonding, the layers of corner-linked BX₆ octahedra no longer remain aligned in the same manner previously reported for (110)-oriented layered perovskites. This change results in a previously unseen "3 to 1" *inter*-layer spacing compared to the previously seen "2 to 2" type.

While there have been numerous studies regarding mixed A-site occupancy in ASnI₃ perovskites, most of these have focused on the use of FA⁺, MA⁺ and Cs⁺ (FA = formamidinium, MA = methylammonium).^{14,16–18} Many of these known ASnI₃ perovskites feature octahedral tilting to optimise bonding and

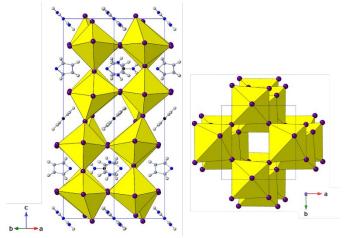


Figure 2 Crystal structure at 173 K of **2** viewed along (left) 110-direction and (right) along the *c*-axis. Note the significant distortion of the Snl₆ octahedra.

accommodate the A-site cations. The crystal structure of **2** is shown in Fig. 2 and differs significantly from the known mixed A-site tin halides in that there is no rotation of Snl₆ octahedra, but instead the octahedra are considerably distorted. While GuH⁺ and TzH⁺ occupy crystallographically distinct sites throughout the structure there remains local disorder on each of the organic cation sites at 173 K; for clarity only one orientation is shown in Fig. 2. The A-site ordering, coupled with co-operative octahedral distortions, leads to a chiral supercell *a* ~ $\sqrt{2}a_p$, c ~ $4a_p$, relative to the aristotype cubic perovskite subcell, a_p . Supercells based on quadrupling (or higher order multiples) of the aristotype perovskite unit cell are rare, and are usually related to octahedral tilting effects.¹⁹ The mechanism in **2** is clearly distinct from this, and appears to be a unique variation.

In our previous work,¹¹ we reported that GuH⁺ and TzH⁺ are of a similar size (effective ionic radii 2.66 and 2.68 Å, respectively), while ImH⁺ is only marginally larger (2.74 Å) and we argued that the cation ordering in (GuH)(TzH)PbBr₄ and (ImH)(GuH)PbBr₄ is driven by both ionic size and hydrogenbonding effects. Although Me-ImH⁺ was not included in our previous work it can be assumed that due to the replacement of -H with a -Me group that this moiety is larger in size than ImH⁺. This suggests that, like ImH⁺, the size of Me-ImH⁺ precludes the occupancy of the *intra*-layer "perovskite-like"

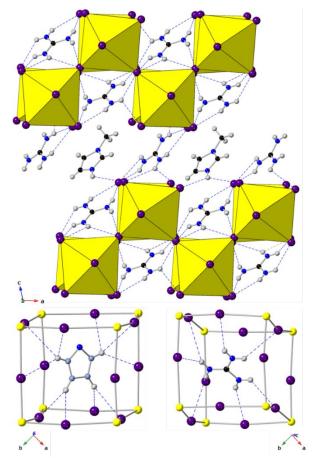


Figure 3 Hydrogen bonding environment for (top) **1** and around TzH⁺ (bottomleft) and GuH⁺ (bottom-right) in **2**. Only one orientation of the GuH⁺ moiety in **1** is shown for clarity. Note the limited H-bonding of Me-ImH⁺ in the *intra*-layer site in **1**.

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site, and subsequently only GuH⁺ occupies this site in **1**. GuH⁺ also occupies half of the *inter*-layer sites, likely as a consequence of the limited H-bonding capacity of Me-ImH⁺ compared to ImH⁺. While Me-ImH⁺ is only capable of H-bonding through a single N-H donor there are six available in GuH⁺. The enhanced H-bonding options in GuH⁺ provide stabilisation between perovskite layers, whereas the H-bonding of Me-ImH⁺ is highly directional and limited, and does not contribute significantly towards *inter*-layer stabilisation, as shown in Fig. 3.

A similar approach was used to understand the structure adopted by 2. Due to the similarity in size of GuH⁺ and TzH⁺ it is reasonable that both cations can be incorporated simultaneously, however the calculated tolerance factors (t =1.08 and 1.09 for GuH⁺ and TzH⁺, respectively) are higher than the compositional limit suggested by Travis et al. for hybrid iodide perovskites ($t \le 1.06$)²⁰ and therefore it is perhaps surprising that a 3D perovskite structure has been formed. The adoption of the perovskite structure may be linked with the presence of the stereochemically active lone pair on Sn²⁺. The inert pair effect in this example leads to a greater octahedral distortion than has been seen in previous tin iodides (see below), thus allowing the successful incorporation of the larger than expected organic cations. Both cations are capable of several H-bonding options, shown in Fig. 3, further stabilising the considerable distortion of the SnI₆ octahedra and likely resulting in the observed cation ordering throughout the structure. The presence of disorder on both cation sites likely enhances the number of H-bonding options and subsequently contributes to the SnI₃ framework stabilisation.

Comparison of the structural distortions of both of the present compositions to previously reported materials is important in attempting to understand the structural behaviour exhibited. The mean distortion level (Δ d) and bond angle variance (σ^2) of each octahedron in both compositions were calculated (details are provided in ESI) and the values shown in Table 2. While the mean distortion level in **1** is considerably larger than the (110) layer type Pb-based materials we reported recently, these are still somewhat similar to those in (GuH)₂Snl₄, suggesting that in general the distortion levels in Sn-based (110)-oriented structures are considerably larger than in related Pb-based materials. There does however, still remain a

reasonably large difference in one of the SnI₆ octahedra between $(GuH)_2SnI_4$ and **1**, likely a result of the limited H-bonding capacity of Me-ImH⁺ providing less stabilisation to the structure compared to GuH⁺.

In contrast, comparison of the known $ASnI_3$ materials to the distortions present in **2** indicates a much more significant difference between structures. In all of the known structures the degree of distortion in the bond lengths and bond angle variance is relatively small, however in **2** these are drastically larger. These enlarged distortion values are likely linked to the absence of octahedral tilting in **2** normally observed in $ASnI_3$ perovskites. On the contrary, the structural flexibility necessary to accommodate the large A-site in **2** arises from the higher degree of distortion of the SnI₆ octahedron, due to the lone-pair. The SnI₆ octahedron in **2** displays three short and three

Table 2 Summary of calculated tolerance factors (t),^{σ} bond length distortions (Δ d) and bond angle variance (σ ²) for compounds reported here and in literature.

	a			2
Perovskite type	Species in	t ^b	∆d (×10 ⁻⁴)	σ²
	perovskite-like 'A'			
	site			
(110)-oriented:				
(ImH)(GuH)PbBr ₄ ¹¹	GuH⁺	1.04	7.39	16.16
(TzH)(GuH)PbBr ₄ ¹¹	TzH⁺	1.04	10.97	28.22
(GuH) ₂ Snl ₄ ⁹	GuH⁺	1.08	35.37	11.41
			30.49	19.18
1	GuH⁺	1.08	34.30	11.22
			45.71	15.35
3D:				
CsSnl ₃ ¹⁶	Cs⁺	0.91	0.01	1.18
MASnl ₃ ¹⁴	MA ⁺	1.01	1.01	1.30
FASnl ₃ ¹⁴	FA⁺	1.04	1.45	0.67
2	(GuH) _{0.5} (TzH) _{0.5}	1.09	81.25	71.45

^{*a*}For a "cubic" perovskite ABX₃, $t = (r_A + r_X)/\sqrt{2}(r_B + r_X)$. ^{*b*}Radii used for organic moieties were taken from our previous work,¹¹ radii for Cs⁺ and Pb²⁺ from Shannon²¹ and radius for Sn²⁺ from Travis *et al.*²⁰

much longer Sn-I bonds, with a 'facial' conformation of the short/long bonds. This is due to a significant contraction of one octahedral face (I---I contacts in the range 4.14 to 4.30 Å) and an enlargement of the opposite one (I---I ranging from 4.81 to 5.90 Å) rather than an 'off-centring' of the Sn²⁺ ion itself. This contrasts with the structural behaviour observed in several Ge iodide compositions²² where the stereoactive lone-pair on Ge²⁺ leads to off-centring of Ge²⁺, rather than such an extreme distortion of the octahedral iodide environment itself. Ball and stick representations of the SnI₆ octahedra present in **1** and **2** are shown in Fig. 4, highlighting the significant distortions present.

Comparison of **2** to some known materials featuring octahedra with 'large' and 'small' faces, shown in Table 3, highlights the considerable octahedral distortion observed in this material. While (GuH)SnI₃ and AzPbBr₃ are 6H-hexagonal perovskites featuring face-sharing octahedra and are therefore expected to feature significant octahedral distortions of this type, the values calculated for **2** are considerably larger. The most similar distortion values are those calculated for "LiO₆" octahedra in LiNbO₃. However, the Li environment in LiNbO₃ is probably not simply octahedral, as it occupies the perovskite A-site, albeit with a considerable displacement. Hence, compared to many well-known perovskites containing polar octahedra, the distortion in **2** seems extreme.

Table 3 Calculated areas for large (A_L) and small (A_S) octahedral faces of known perovskite materials determined from octahedral edges, relative ratio between faces (A_L/A_S), mean edge length (s) and magnitude of the deviation in edge lengths (Δ s).²³

	-	-				
Material	BX ₆	$A_L/Å^2$	A _s /Ų	A _L /A _s	s /Å	Δs
2	Snl ₆	13.49	8.92	1.47	4.709	0.486
(GuH)Snl ₃ ²⁴	Snl ₆	10.03	7.68	1.31	4.512	0.301
AzPbBr ₃ ^{a 25}	PbBr ₆	8.43	6.53	1.29	4.148	0.266
PZT ^{b25}	BO ₆	4.44	2.78	1.60	2.869	0.333
LiNbO ₃ ²⁷	NbO ₆	3.59	3.20	1.12	2.799	0.080
	LiO ₆	4.89	3.20	1.53	3.041	0.322

^aAz= azetidnium. ^bPZT has the composition PbZr_{0.58}Ti_{0.42}O₃.

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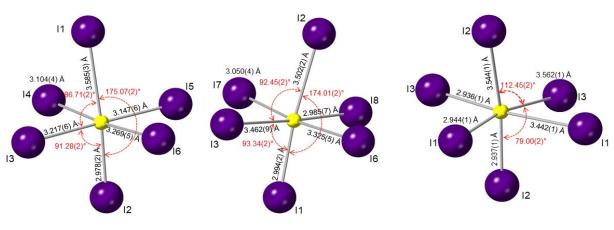


Figure 2 Ball and stick representations of the octahedra present in (left and middle) 1 and (right) 2 highlighting the significant distortion in both bond lengths and bond angles. Note the considerably distorted I2-Sn-I3 bond angle present in 2.

In summary, we have prepared two new examples of tin halide perovskites featuring unprecedented ordering patterns of organic cations. In (GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI₄ we introduce a previously unseen '3 to 1' (110)-oriented layered structure with GuH⁺ occupying both *intra*-layer and *inter*-layer sites simultaneously. Conversely, in $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI_3$ we present the first example of a 3D- hybrid perovskite featuring 1:1 A site cation ordering and an unusual supercell, mediated by octahedral distortions rather than octahedral tilting. The cationic ordering behaviour and subsequent structural distortions have been discussed in terms of ionic size effects, lone-pair effects and hydrogen-bonding environments. This work prompts further study of these interesting structure-types and the effect of different organic moieties on structure. Due to the air sensitivity of these materials, analysis of their physical properties has not yet been conducted, however it would be of interest to study how these unusual structural and compositional features affect the optical properties of these materials.

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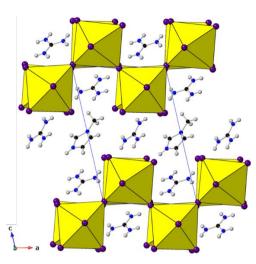
Conflicts of interest

There are no conflicts to declare.

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Two new hybrid tin iodide perovskites displaying unusual structural features mediated by ordering of organic moieties are presented

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Supplementary Information

Synthesis

Tin powder (~325 mesh, 99.8% metals basis), hydroiodic acid (HI, 57%, w/w aqueous solution stabilised with 1.5% HPA), hypophosphorous acid (H₃PO₂ (HPA), 50% w/w aqueous solution), 1,2,4-triazole (C₂H₃N₃, 99%) and 1-methyl imidazole (C₄N₂H₇, 99%) were purchased from Alfa Aesar. Guanidinium carbonate (C₂H₁₀N₆H₂CO₃, 99%) and diethyl ether ((C₂H₅)₂O, 99.5%) were purchased from Sigma Aldrich. All chemicals were directly used without further purification.

Both $(GuH)_{1.5}$ (Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI₄ and $(GuH)_{0.5}$ (TzH)_{0.5}SnI₃ were crystallised by a slow evaporation method.

For $(GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI_4$ ([C(NH₂)₃]_{1.5}[C₄N₂H₇]_{0.5}SnI₄: Tin powder (237 mg, 2 mmol) was dissolved in conc. HI (5 ml) and HPA (5 ml) with moderate heating. Once fully dissolved, guanidinium carbonate (180 mg, 2 mmol) and 1-methyl imidazole (164 mg, 2 mmol) were added and the solution allowed to cool for several days. A mixture of red crystals was obtained. These were filtered and washed with diethyl ether. Elemental analysis: (Anal. Calc. (%) for (GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI₄: C 5.55; N 10.16; H 1.66. Found: C 6.36; N 8.79; H 1.68). The excess of C found in the sample and lower than expected N suggests a mixture of phases present consistent with the mixture of crystals obtained.

For $G_{0.5}T_{0.5}SnI_3$ ([C(NH₂)₃]_{0.5}[C₂N₃H₄]_{0.5}SnI₃: Tin powder (237 mg, 2 mmol) was dissolved in conc. HI (5 ml) and HPA (5 ml) with moderate heating. Once fully dissolved, guanidinium carbonate (180 mg, 2 mmol) and 1,2,4-triazole (138 mg, 2 mmol) were added and the solution allowed to cool. Within days, small red crystals formed, these were left to grow in solution for several months before being filtered and washed with diethyl ether. Elemental analysis: (Anal. Calc. (%) for $G_{0.5}T_{0.5}SnI_3$: C 3.19; N 7.44; H 0.89. Found: C 3.31; N 7.57; H 0.88).

The synthesis of both $(GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI_4$ and $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}$ was carried out in air. HPA was used in the reaction to prevent oxidation of Sn²⁺ to Sn⁴⁺ while the crystals remained in solution. After filtration the crystals were stored under argon. In air, $(GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI_4$ oxidises within seconds with a clear colour change and evolution of I₂. In $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI_3$ however, there is no evidence of an immediate colour change or evolution of I₂. There does appear to be some decomposition after 30 minutes suggesting that $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI_3$ is more stable than the 3D perovskites $CsSnI_3^1$ and $MASnI_3^2$ but not as stable as $FASnI_{3,3}^3$ which is air stable for approximately 2h before total decomposition after 1 day.

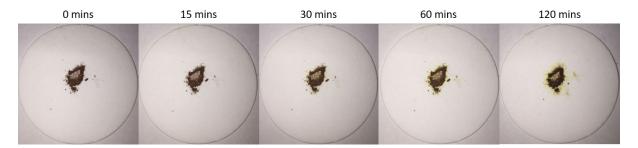


Figure S1 Powdered (GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI₃ at different exposure times to air.

Characterisation

Single Crystal data were collected at 173 K on a Rigaku SCX Mini diffractometer using Mo-Kα radiation. Data were collected using CrystalClear (Rigaku).⁴ Structures were solved by direct methods and refined using SHELX-2014⁵ incorporated in the WINGX program.⁶ Absorption corrections were performed semi-empirically from equivalent reflections on the basis of multi scans. Non-H atoms were refined anisotropically and hydrogen atoms were treated as riding atoms.

The bond length distortion of the SnI₆ octahedra in each composition at 173 K was calculated using eq. 1,⁷ where *d* is the average Sn-I bond distance and d_n are the six individual bond distances. The bond angle variance of each octahedron from the ideal 90° of an undistorted structure was calculated using eq. 2,⁸ where θ_i is the individual I-Sn-I angle.

$$\Delta d = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right) \sum \left[\frac{d_n - d}{d}\right]^2 \tag{1}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{12} \frac{(\theta_i - 90)^2}{11}$$
(2)

	(GuH) _{1.5} (Me-ImH) _{0.5} SnI ₄			(GuH) _{0.5} (TzH) _{0.5} SnI ₃				
Sn-I	Sn1-I1	3.585(3)	Sn2-I2	3.502(2)	Sn-I3	3.562(1)		
	Sn1-I6	3.269(5)	Sn2-I3	3.462(9)	Sn-I2	3.544(1)		
	Sn1-I3	3.217(6)	Sn2-I6	3.325(5)	Sn-I1	3.442(1)		
	Sn1-I5	3.147(6)	Sn2-I7	3.050(4)	Sn-I1	2.944(1)		
	Sn1-I4	3.104(4)	Sn2-I1	2.994(2)	Sn-I2	2.937(1)		
	Sn1-I2	2.978(2)	Sn2-I8	2.985(7)	Sn-I3	2.936(1)		
BVS	Sn1	1.91	Sn2	1.99	Sn	2.19		
	I1	0.63	I2	0.67	I1	0.75		
	13	0.43	I6	0.46	I2	0.72		
					I3	0.72		
I-Sn-I	84.501(2))	81.549(2	81.549(2))		
	84.525(2) 86.708(2)		84.237(2	84.237(2) 87.948(2)		79.00(2) 86.77(2)		
			87.948(2					
	88.362(2)		88.822(2	88.822(2)		88.24(2)		
	89.378(2)		89.108(2	89.108(2)		89.20(2)		
	90.763(2)		89.916(2	2)	89.48(2)			
	91.163(2)		91.222(2	91.222(2)		89.61(2)		
	91.823(1))	92.451(2	92.451(2)		90.42(2)		
	92.307(2))	92.594(2)		91.64(2)			
	93.366(2))	93.347(2)		91.89(2)			
	93.593(2)		93.687(2	93.687(2))		
	93.807(2))	94.337(2)		112.45(2	2)		
Sn-I-Sn	159.205(2	2)	164.832	(2)				
	159.809(2	2)	169.057	169.057(2)				
			172.886	172.886(2)				

Table S1 Selected bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) derived from single crystal data collected at 173 K.

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D-HA	d(D-H)	d(HA)	d(DA)	<(DHA)
N(1)-H(1A)I(1) #3	0.86	3.30	3.704(5)	111.5
N(1)-H(1A)I(6) #3	0.86	3.01	3.776(6)	148.9
N(1)-H(1B)I(5) #4	0.86	3.11	3.801(6)	139.4
N(1)-H(1B)I(6) #4	0.86	3.29	3.880(6)	127.8
N(2)-H(2A)I(6) #3	0.86	3.04	3.796(6)	148.1
N(2)-H(2B)I(1) #5	0.86	3.04	3.853(6)	158.9
N(3)-H(3A)I(5) #4	0.86	3.11	3.814(6)	141
N(3)-H(3B)I(1) #5	0.86	3.10	3.899(6)	156
N(4)-H(4A)I(4) #6	0.86	2.97	3.761(6)	154.7
N(4)-H(4B)I(8) #5	0.86	2.90	3.734(5)	164.1
N(5)-H(5A)I(4) #2	0.86	3.25	3.969(6)	142.5
N(5)-H(5A)I(5) #2	0.86	3.32	3.711(5)	110.8
N(5)-H(5B)I(4) #6	0.86	2.90	3.708(6)	158
N(6)-H(6A)I(2) #2	0.86	3.22	3.863(7)	133.5
N(6)-H(6B)I(7)	0.86	3.16	3.558(6)	111.2
N(7)-H(7A)I(6)	0.86	3.01	3.678(5)	136.2
N(7)-H(7A)I(8)	0.86	3.30	3.770(5)	116.8
N(7)-H(7B)I(7) #7	0.86	2.85	3.660(6)	158.7
N(8)-H(8A)I(7) #7	0.86	3.02	3.788(6)	150.5
N(8)-H(8B)I(3) #1	0.86	2.92	3.732(5)	158.2
N(9)-H(9A)I(2) #2	0.86	3.32	3.968(7)	134.3
N(9)-H(9B)I(3) #1	0.86	3.10	3.878(7)	151.3
N(9)-H(9B)I(6) #2	0.86	3.22	3.620(6)	111.2
N(11)-H(12)I(4) #1	0.86	3.14	3.694(6)	124
N(11)-H(12)I(5) #2	0.86	3.04	3.643(6)	129.3

Table S2 Hydrogen bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for (GuH)_{1.5}(Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI₄ at 173 K.

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

 #1
 -x + 2, -y + 1, -z
 #2
 -x + 1, -y + 1, -z
 #3
 -x + 2, -y + 2, -z + 1

 #4
 x + 1, y, z + 1
 #5
 -x + 1, -y + 2, -z + 1
 #6
 x, y, z + 1

 #7
 x + 1, y, z
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D-HA	d(D-H)	d(HA)	d(DA)	<(DHA)
N(1a)-H(1Aa)I(2) #2	0.86	3.31	3.958(5)	133.9
N(1a)-H(1Aa)I(3) #2	0.86	3.10	3.818(5)	142.9
N(1a)-H(1Ba)I(2) #5	0.86	3.31	3.958(5)	133.9
N(1a)-H(1Ba)I(3) #5	0.86	3.10	3.818(5)	142.9
N(1'b)-H(1'1b)I(1) #6	0.86	3.28	3.958(18)	138
N(1'b)-H(1'1b)I(2) #3	0.86	2.82	3.45(2)	131.5
N(1'b)-H(1'2b)I(1) #3	0.86	3.28	3.958(18)	138
N(1'b)-H(1'2b)I(2) #6	0.86	2.82	3.45(2)	131.5
N(2a)-H(2Aa)I(1)	0.86	3.12	3.863(9)	146.3
N(2a)-H(2Ba)I(2) #6	0.86	3.17	3.810(10)	132.9
N(2'b)-H(2'1b)I(2) #2	0.86	3.00	3.62(3)	130.8
N(2'b)-H(2'1b)I(3) #2	0.86	2.98	3.55(3)	125.4
N(2'b)-H(2'2b)I(1)	0.86	3.12	3.79(3)	136.7
N(4)-H(4A)I(1)	0.93	3.13	3.927(9)	144.8
N(4)-H(4A)I(2) #1	0.93	3.01	3.664(9)	128.7
N(5)-H(5A)I(2) #7	0.93	3.28	3.833(14)	120.2
N(5)-H(5A)I(3) #2	0.93	3.07	3.823(14)	139.6
N(5)-H(5A)I(3) #7	0.93	3.25	3.822(13)	121.8

Table S3 Hydrogen bond lengths (Å) and angles (°) for $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI_3$ at 173 K.

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

#1 y, x, -z#2 x - $\frac{1}{2}$, -y + $\frac{1}{2}$, -z + $\frac{1}{4}$ #3 x + $\frac{1}{2}$, -y + $\frac{1}{2}$, -z + $\frac{1}{4}$ #4 -y + 1, -x + 1, -z + $\frac{1}{2}$ #5 y + $\frac{1}{2}$, -x + $\frac{3}{2}$, z + $\frac{1}{4}$ #6 y + $\frac{1}{2}$, -x + $\frac{1}{2}$, z + $\frac{1}{4}$ #7 x, y + 1, z

Table S4 Distortion mode amplitudes for the SnI_6 octahedra in $(GuH)_{0.5}(TzH)_{0.5}SnI_3$ obtained from	
the ISODISTORT software suite ⁹ compared to the aristotype CsSnI ₃ structure. ¹⁰	

Mode	Amplitude (Å)	Origin	S, i	<i>k</i> -active
Δ_5^a	1.704	(0, 0, 3/2)	4, 24	$(0, 0, \frac{1}{4})$
R_3^+	0.034	(-1/2, -1/2, 0)	2, 6	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$
X4-	0.299	$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$	2, 6	$(0, 0, \frac{1}{2})$
M_3^+	0.077	(0, 0, 0)	2, 6	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$
M ₃ -	0.370	(-1/2, 0, 0)	2, 6	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, 0)$
T ₅	0.459	$(-\frac{1}{2}, 0, -\frac{1}{2})$	4, 24	$(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4})$

 $^{a}\Delta_{5}$ is clearly the dominant distortion mode and is responsible for displacement of the iodide ligands leading to

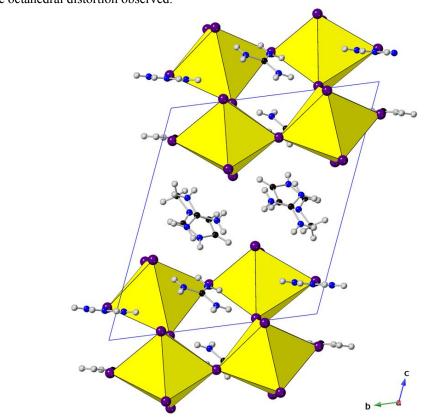
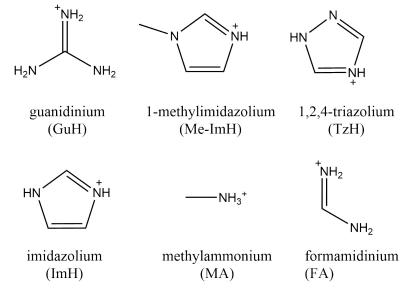
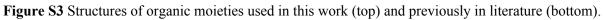


Figure S2 Crystal structure of $(GuH)_{1.5}$ (Me-ImH)_{0.5}SnI₄ viewed along the *b*-axis highlighting the observed staggering of amines.





the extreme octahedral distortion observed.

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