

## Triisopropylphosphine sulfide

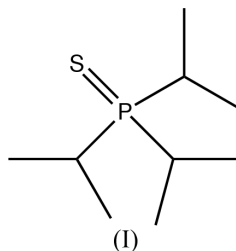
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## Key indicators

Single-crystal X-ray study  
 $T = 293$  K  
Mean  $\sigma(\text{C}-\text{C}) = 0.009$  Å  
 $R$  factor = 0.069  
 $wR$  factor = 0.218  
Data-to-parameter ratio = 20.1For details of how these key indicators were  
automatically derived from the article, see  
<http://journals.iucr.org/e>.The title compound,  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{21}\text{PS}$ , was sublimed to give crystals suitable for single-crystal X-ray diffraction studies and shows a single  $^{31}\text{P}$   $\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR signal in  $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$  and  $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$  of 72.25 and 78.93 p.p.m., respectively, *versus*  $\text{H}_3\text{PO}_4$ .Received 12 March 2001  
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## Comment

The use of phosphines for the abstraction of sulfur from metal complexes has been used for years to promote favorable reaction chemistry (Liu *et al.*, 1998). In our research, it was necessary to synthesize and characterize triisopropylphosphine sulfide, (I), to confirm its production in the reaction *via*  $^{31}\text{P}$   $\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR techniques (Osterloh *et al.*, 2000). As part of this characterization, the X-ray crystal structure was carried out. Related phosphine sulfides which have been characterized by X-ray diffraction include triphenylphosphine sulfide (Codding & Kerr, 1978; Foces-Foces & Llamas-Saiz, 1998) and tricyclohexylphosphine sulfide (Kerr *et al.*, 1977; Reibenspies *et al.*, 1996).

## Experimental

Solid sulfur (0.05 g, 1.6 mmol) was slurried in 10 ml of tetrahydrofuran (THF) to which was added dropwise (36  $\mu\text{l}$ , 1.6 mmol) triisopropylphosphine in 1 ml of THF. The sulfur dissolved rapidly yielding a pale yellow solution, which was filtered over celite. The nearly colorless solution was reduced in volume forming an oil. Sublimation at 273 K yielded 0.19 g (63%) of colorless block-shaped crystals. The compound was further characterized by  $^{31}\text{P}$   $\{^1\text{H}\}$  NMR; ( $\text{C}_6\text{D}_6$ )  $d$  72.25 (s), ( $\text{CD}_3\text{CN}$ )  $d$  78.93 p.p.m (s).

## Crystal data

 $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{21}\text{PS}$   
 $M_r = 192.29$   
Orthorhombic, *Ibam*  
 $a = 13.573$  (1) Å  
 $b = 13.8717$  (9) Å  
 $c = 12.688$  (1) Å  
 $V = 2388.9$  (3) Å<sup>3</sup>  
 $Z = 8$   
 $D_x = 1.069$  Mg m<sup>-3</sup>Mo  $K\alpha$  radiation  
Cell parameters from 89  
reflections  
 $\theta = 2.5$ – $18.8^\circ$   
 $\mu = 0.36$  mm<sup>-1</sup>  
 $T = 293$  (2) K  
Block, colorless  
 $0.15 \times 0.10 \times 0.10$  mm

## Data collection

Bruker CCD diffractometer  
 0.3°  $\omega$  scans  
 6072 measured reflections  
 1108 independent reflections  
 525 reflections with  $I > 2\sigma(I)$

$R_{\text{int}} = 0.097$   
 $\theta_{\text{max}} = 25.0^\circ$   
 $h = -16 \rightarrow 14$   
 $k = -16 \rightarrow 15$   
 $l = -15 \rightarrow 9$

## Refinement

Refinement on  $F^2$   
 $R[F^2 > 2\sigma(F^2)] = 0.069$   
 $wR(F^2) = 0.218$   
 $S = 1.14$   
 1108 reflections  
 55 parameters  
 H-atom parameters constrained

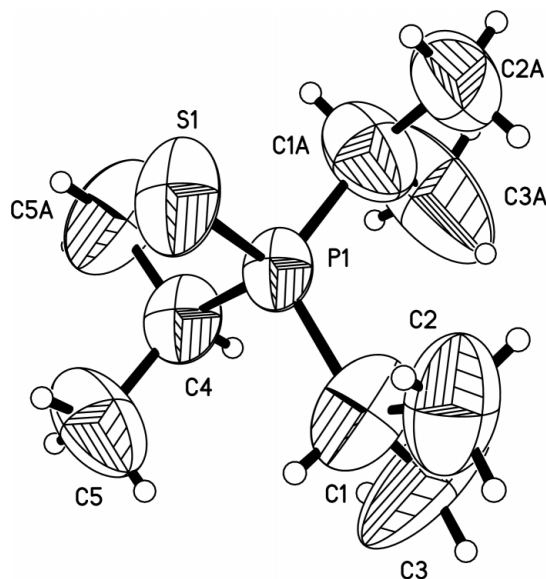
$w = 1/[\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0861P)^2 + 1.4788P]$   
 where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$   
 $(\Delta/\sigma)_{\text{max}} = 0.052$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{max}} = 0.25 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$   
 $\Delta\rho_{\text{min}} = -0.31 \text{ e } \text{\AA}^{-3}$

Data collection: *ASTRO* (Bruker, 1997); cell refinement: *SMART* (Bruker, 1997); data reduction: *SAINT* (Bruker, 1999); program(s) used to solve structure: *SHELXS97* (Sheldrick, 1990); program(s) used to refine structure: *SHELXL97* (Sheldrick, 1997); molecular graphics: *SHELXTL* (Bruker, 1998); software used to prepare material for publication: *CIFTAB* in *SHELXL97*.

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**Figure 1**

Displacement ellipsoid plot (50% probability) of the title compound. H atoms have been drawn as spheres with arbitrary radii.

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