# New Methods of Syntheses of Silyl Derivatives of Phosphorus(V) Thioacids on the Basis of Tetraphosphorus Decasulfide, 1,3,2,4-Dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides, and Bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide

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ABSTRACT: Mixed O,S-bis- and tris(trimethylsilyl) esters of dithiophosphoric, aryldithiophosphonic and trithiophosphoric acids, **3**, **7a–c**, and **9**, respectively, were obtained by the reactions of tetraphosphorus decasulfide **1** and 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides **6a–c** and **8** with bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide **2**. © 2000 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Heteroatom Chem 11:276–280, 2000

## INTRODUCTION

*S*-Trimethylsilyl esters of dithiophosphoric and tetrathiophosphoric acids are efficient intermediates for the synthesis of useful organothiophosphorus compounds [1,2]. There is considerable interest in pentavalent phosphorus thioacids derivatives containing a few SiMe<sub>3</sub> groups, due to their possible use as synthetic intermediates for new types of linear and cyclic organothiophosphorus compounds. Tris(trimethylsilyl) tetrathiophosphate and *bis*-

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(trimethylsilyl) phenyldithiophosphonate containing three or two S-SiMe<sub>3</sub> fragments were earlier obtained in the reactions of bis(trimethylsilyl)sulfide with tetraphosphorus decasulfide and 2,4-diphenyl-1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfide, respectively [3]. In this article, new methods are presented for synthesizing di- and trisilyl esters of pentavalent phosphorus thioacids on the basis of the reactions of phosphorus sulfide (P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>10</sub>) and 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides with disilylated acetamide.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Bis(trimethylsilyl) amides of carboxylic acids have been reported to be efficient silylating agents for amides, ureas, amino acids, hindered phenols, carboxylic acids, enols, chlorides of trivalent and pentavalent phosphorus acids and thioacids [4–9]. Taking into account the rather high silylating ability of silylated amides, we have studied the reactions of disilylated acetamide with phosphorus sulfides. The reaction of tetraphosphorus decasulfide 1 with bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide 2 that may exist as a mixture of the amide 2a and imidate 2b tautomeric forms [4,10–12], at 70–75°C for 2 hours has been found to give O,O,S-tris(trimethylsilyl) dithiophos-

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phate 3, bis(trimethylsilyl)sulfide 4, and acetonitrile 5 (Reaction 1; Tables 1–5).



Product **3** is a colorless liquid and was isolated by use of a falling-film distillation. Reaction was accompanied by the formation of bis(trimethylsilyl) sulfide **4** and acetonitrile **5**, which were removed from the reaction mixtures by evaporation at reduced pressure. The formation of **4** and **5** were confirmed by <sup>1</sup>H NMR and mass spectral data of volatile distilled fractions and by comparison of their physical constants with data found in the literature [13,14].

TABLE 1	Experimental	Data and	Yields of the	Products	Obtained
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Initial Compounds Quantity [g (mmol)]		Reaction Conditions Temp. (°C) /Time (h)	Product Yield, g(%)	
<b>1</b> 9.6 (21.6)	<b>/2</b> 31.5 (172.9)	70–75/2	<b>3</b> 20.8 (69) <sup>b</sup>	
<b>6a</b> 9.7 (24.0)	<b>/2</b> 9.8 (48.2)	20/7 days	<b>7a</b> 12.0 (68) <sup>b</sup>	
. ,			<b>5</b> 1.9 (95) <sup>b</sup>	
6b 11.6 (26.9)	<b>/2</b> 10.9 (53.6)	50/2.5	<b>7b</b> 16.4 (81)́♭	
· · · ·			<b>5</b> 2.0 (91) <sup>b</sup>	
6c 12.0 (20.0)	<b>/2</b> 8.1 (39.9)	20/5	<b>7c</b> 8.0 (43) <sup>a</sup> /6.2 (34) <sup>b</sup>	
<b>8</b> 3.8 (10.3)	<b>/2</b> 4.2 (20.7)	30–40/5	<b>9</b> 6.1 (86) <sup>a</sup>	

<sup>a</sup>Yield of crude product.

<sup>b</sup>Yield of product isolated by a falling-film distillation.

TABLE 2	Physical,	Analytical,	and <sup>31</sup> P	NMR Data	of the	Products	Obtained
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			<i>n</i> <sub>D</sub> <sup>20</sup>	Molecular Formula (Mol. mass)	Found/Calc. (%)					
Product b.p.	°C (mmHg)ª	<b>0</b> <sup>20</sup> <sub>4</sub>			С	Н	Р	S	Si	<sup>31</sup> P NMR $\delta(C_6H_6)$
3	135–140 (0.02)	1.0196	1.4861	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>27</sub> O₂PS₂Si₃ (346.1)	31.35 31.20	7.86 7.88	8.82 8.95	18.79 18.47	24.40 24.85	58.4
7a	125–130 (0.02)	1.1129	1.5564	$C_{13}H_{25}O_2PS_2Si_2$ (364.1)	42.67 42.84	6.77 6.93	8.43 8.51	17.59 17.56	15.28 15.37	75.2
7b	130–140 (0.02)	1.0726	1.5465	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>27</sub> O <sub>2</sub> PS <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> (378.1)	44.23 44.43	7.27 7.21	7.82 8.19	17.14 16.91	13.81 14.80	75.3
7c	170 (0.03)		1.5223	C <sub>20</sub> H <sub>39</sub> O <sub>2</sub> PS <sub>2</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> (462.3)			6.68 6.70		12.11 12.11	75.6
9	140–150 (0.02) <sup>b</sup>		1.5068	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>27</sub> OPS <sub>3</sub> Si <sub>2</sub> (346.1)	34.99 34.67	7.98 7.68	8.32 8.95	28.56 27.71	15.43 16.17	58.4 (CCl <sub>4</sub> )

<sup>a</sup>Temperature of thermal element of a falling-film distillation apparatus.

<sup>b</sup>Temperature of partial destruction.

TABLE 3 IR Data of the Products Obta
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Product	ν, <b>C</b> <i>m</i> <sup>-1</sup>
3	2970 v (CH <sub>3</sub> as); 2910 v (CH <sub>3</sub> s); 1260 $\delta$ [CH <sub>3</sub> (Si)s]; 1030 v (P–O–Si as); 850 $\rho$ (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 770 v (P–O–Si s); 647 v (P=S); 585, 500 v (P–S, S–Si).
7a	3075 ν (:CH, Ar); 2970, 2910, 2845 ν [(CH <sub>3</sub> (O) s), (CH <sub>3</sub> (Si)s]; 1598, 1440 ν (C:C, Ar); 1260 δ [CH <sub>3</sub> (Si)s]; 1030,
7b	1010 v (P–O–Si as, SiO–C); 860 $\rho$ (CH <sub>3</sub> ); 770 v (P–O–Si s); 627 v (P=S); 530; 515 v (P–S, S–Si). 3070 v (CH_Ar): 2985, 2967, 2805 v [CH <sub>3</sub> as s; CH <sub>2</sub> as s; (CH <sub>2</sub> (Si) s]: 1598 v (C; C_Ar): 1258 $\delta$ [CH <sub>2</sub> (Si) s]:
	1030, 1005 v (P–O–Si as, SiO–C); 770 v (P–O–Si s); 630 v (P=S); 540, 515 v (P–S, S–Si).
7c	3630 $\nu$ (OH); 3040, 3000 $\nu$ (:CH, Ar); 2965, 2910, 2880 [CH <sub>3</sub> as, s; (CH <sub>3</sub> (Si) s]; 1580, 1480 $\nu$ (C:C, Ar); 1429 $\delta$ (CH <sub>3</sub> as); 1365 $\delta$ (CH <sub>3</sub> s); 1255 $\delta$ [CH <sub>3</sub> (Si) s]; 1010 (P–O–Si as); 855 $\rho$ [CH <sub>3</sub> (Si)]; 768 $\nu$ (P–O–Si s); 700; 650 $\nu$ (P=S); 555, 500, 457 $\nu$ (P–S, S–Si).
9	1260 $\delta$ [CH <sub>3</sub> (Si) s]; 1383, 1370 $\delta$ (Me <sub>2</sub> C gem s); 1030 $\nu$ (P–O–Si as); 770 $\nu$ (P–O–Si s); 640 $\nu$ (P=S, PS <sub>2</sub> as).

<b>TABLE 4</b> <sup>1</sup> H NMR Data of the Products Obtained	
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Product	CCl <sub>4</sub> , δ, J [Hz]
3	0.37 (s. 18H, CH,SiO): 0.42 (s. 9H, CH,SiS).
7a	0.37 (s, 9H, $\overline{CH_3}$ SiO); 0.43 (s, 9H, $\overline{CH_3}$ SiS); 3.85 (s, 2H, $\underline{CH_3}$ OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> ); 6.87 (d. d, 2H, 3,5-H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> <u>H<sub>2</sub></u> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> 9.0, <sup>4</sup> J <sub>PH</sub> 4.0); 7.87 (d. d. 2H, 2.6-H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> 9.0, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>PH</sub> 15.0).
7b	0.35 (s, 9H, CH <sub>3</sub> SiO); 0.37 (s, 9H, CH <sub>3</sub> SiS); 1.45 (t, 3H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> 7.0); 4.07 (q, 2H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> O, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> 7.0); 6.87 (d. d, 2H, 3.5-H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>H</sub> , 9.0, <sup>4</sup> J <sub>H</sub> , 4.0); 7.86 (d. d, 2H, 2.6-H <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>H</sub> , 9.0, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>H</sub> , 14.5).
7cª	0.43 (s, 9H, CH <sub>3</sub> SiO); 0.50 (s, 9H, CH <sub>3</sub> SiS); 1.52 (s, 18H, (CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> C); 5.45 (s, 1H, OH); 8.13 (d, 2H, 2,6- <u>H</u> <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> , <sup>3</sup> J <sub>PH</sub> 16.2).
9	0.33 (s, 9H, <u>CH</u> <sub>3</sub> SiO); 0.43 (s, 9H, <u>CH</u> <sub>3</sub> SiS); 1.07 (d, 6H, <u>CH</u> <sub>3</sub> CHCH <sub>2</sub> SP, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> 7.5); 2.77 (d. q, 2H, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <u>CH</u> <sub>2</sub> SP, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>HH</sub> 7.5, <sup>3</sup> J <sub>PH</sub> 16.0).

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(3)

 $a \ln C_6 D_6$ .

The formation of products containing both OSiMe<sub>3</sub> and SSiMe<sub>3</sub> groups could be expected in the case of 2,4-diaryl-1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides. In fact, the reaction of dithiadiphosphetanes **6a–c** with disilylacetamide **2** at 20–50°C for 2.5 to 5 hours (20°C for 7 days in the case of **6b**) has brought about the formation of *O*,*S*-bis(trimethylsilyl) aryldithiophosphonates **7a–c** with the elimination of MeCN **5** (Reaction 2, Tables 1–5). *O*,*S*-Disilyl dithiophosphonates **7a,b** are pale-yellow liquids, whereas **7c** is a yellow oily liquid. All of the compounds **7a–c** were purified by use of a falling-film distillation.

$$Ar - R \xrightarrow{S}_{S \parallel} P - Ar + 2 \xrightarrow{2} 2 \xrightarrow{2} 2 Ar - R \xrightarrow{S}_{II} SSiMe_{3} + 2 MeCN$$

7a-c

6a-c

Ar = 4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (6a, 7a),  
Ar = 4-EtOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> (6b, 7b)  
Ar = HO (6c, 7c)  
(2)  
i-BuS-R 
$$S_{S}^{H}$$
 - SBu-i + 2 2  $\rightarrow$  2 i-BuS-R  $S_{OSiMe_3}^{S}$  + 2 MeCN  
8 9 5

In continuation of our study, we have managed to involve other 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides, for example, the isobutyl homolog of Davy's reagent 8, in the reaction with disilylacetamide 2 at  $30-40^{\circ}$ C for 5 hours (Reaction 3, Tables 1–5). *O*,*S*-

Bis(trimethylsilyl)S'-isobutyltrithiophosphate 9 was formed in this reaction, as depicted in Reaction 3.

The structures of **3**, 7a–c, and **9** were confirmed by IR (Table 3), <sup>1</sup>H (Table 4), and <sup>31</sup>P NMR (Table 2) and mass spectroscopy (Table 5), as well as by elemental analyses (Table 2). The <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of *O*,*O*,*S*-trisilyl dithiophosphate **3** in benzene solution reveals a singlet at  $\delta$  = 58.4, which is intermediate between those of tris(trimethylsilyl) tetrathiophosphate ( $\delta$  = 65.3 [3]) and *O*,*O*,*O*-tris(trimethylsilyl) thionophosphate ( $\delta$  = 32 [15]). The <sup>31</sup>P chemical shift values of *O*,*S*-disilyl dithiophosphonates 7a–c are shifted to low field ( $\delta$  = 75.2–75.6) with respect to that of **3**. It is noteworthy that the <sup>31</sup>P resonance of *O*,*S*-disilyl trithiophosphate **9** ( $\delta$  = 58.4 in CCl<sub>4</sub> solution) appears in practically the same region as that for O,O,S-trisilyl dithiophosphate **3**.

The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of **3** in CCl<sub>4</sub> solution (Table 4) shows two singlets at  $\delta = 0.37$  and  $\delta = 0.42$ due to the methyl protons of two SiMe<sub>3</sub> groups at the oxygen and the sulfur atoms, respectively, in the integral intensity ratio 2:1. A similar picture was observed in the case of 7a-c and 9 but the integral intensity ratio of these singlets was 1:1 (see Table 4). This fact seems to confirm the absence of a tautomeric transfer of SiMe, groups in the molecules of 3, 7, and 9 at room temperature. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of 7a-c and 9 also show characteristic resonances due to the presence of aryl or isobutylthio groups attached to the phosphorus atom. Thus, a doublet of doublets at  $\delta = 6.87$  is assigned to two ortho protons of the 3,5-H<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub><u>H</u><sub>2</sub> group ( ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 9.0, {}^{4}J_{\rm PH} = 4.0$ ), while a doublet of doublets at  $\delta = 7.87$  is attributed to the meta protons of the 2,6- $\underline{H}_2C_6H_2$  group ( ${}^3J_{HH} =$ 9.0,  ${}^{3}J_{PH} = 15.0$ ) of 7a. The protons of the methoxy group of the 4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> substituent of 7a resonate as a singlet at  $\delta = 3.85$ , whereas the protons of the ethoxy group of the 4-EtOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub> substituent of 7b appear as a triplet at  $\delta = 1.45$  and a quartet at  $\delta = 4.07$  $({}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 7.0)$ . In the case of 7c, two singlets situated

Product	<i>i-C</i> <sub>4</sub> <i>H</i> <sub>10</sub> , <i>m</i> /e ( <i>I</i> <sub>rel</sub> , %)
<b>3</b> ª	274 [M + H − Me₂Si]+ (16): 259 [M + 2H − Me₂Si − O]+ (50).
3 <sup>b</sup>	331 [M - Me] <sup>+, (10)</sup> ; 316 [M - 2 Me] <sup>+, (100)</sup> ; 301 [M - 3Me] <sup>+, (10)</sup> ; 241 [M - Me <sub>2</sub> Si - 2Si <sup>+, (100)</sup>
- 7aª	365 [M + H] <sup>+</sup> (19); 292 [M + H - Me <sub>2</sub> Si] <sup>+</sup> (5); 293 [M + 2 H - Me <sub>2</sub> Si] <sup>+</sup> (100)
7a <sup>⊳</sup>	349 M − Mel+ (100); 334 M − 2 Mel+ (2); 259 M − Me₂Si − Sl+ (100)
7b <sup>a</sup>	$307 \text{ [M + 2H - Me_3Si]^+} (100); 307 \text{ [M + H - Me_3Si]^+} (13); 274 \text{ [M + H - Me_3Si - S]^+} (100); 245 \text{ [M + H - Me_3Si]^+} (100); 245 \text{ [M + H - M - Me_3Si]^+} (100); 245  [M + H - M - M - M - M - M - M - M - M - M -$
	$- Me_{3}Si - S - Etl^{+}$ (15)
7b <sup>⊳</sup>	378 [M] <sup>+,</sup> (5); 363 [M − Me1 <sup>+,</sup> (13); 273 [M − Me₃Si − S] <sup>+,</sup> (100)
7cª	$464 \text{ [M + 2H]}^+$ (30); $463 \text{ [M + H]}^+$ (3)
7c <sup>b</sup>	448 [M - Me]+ (40); 432 [M - 2Me]+ (100); 417 [M - 3Me]+ (3)

**TABLE 5** Mass Spectral Data of the Products Obtained

<sup>a</sup>Chemical ionization, 100 eV.

<sup>b</sup>Electron impact, 70 eV.

<sup>c</sup>For Z = 3,5-ditret.-Bu-4-HO-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>2</sub>

at  $\delta = 1.52$  and 5.42 were assigned to the protons of the *tert*-butyl and hydroxy groups, respectively. The *meta* protons of the 2,6-<u>H</u><sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub> aryl group of 7c appear as a doublet at  $\delta = 8.13$  ( ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH} = 16.2$ ). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum of 9 shows a doublet at  $\delta = 1.07$  and a doublet of doublets at  $\delta = 2.77$  due to the methyl and methylene protons of the iso-butylthio group (<u>CH</u><sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CHCH<sub>2</sub>SP and (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CH<u>CH</u><sub>2</sub>SP, respectively ( ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH} = 7.5$ ,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH} = 16.0$ ).

Bands in the region v 1030–1010 and 770–768 cm<sup>-1</sup> in the IR spectra of **3**, **7**, and **9** (Table 3) are due to the asymmetrical and symmetrical valence vibrations, respectively, of the P–O–Si bonds. Bands of the valence vibrations of the S–Si bonds are mixed with those of the P–S bonds and appeared in the range of v 585–530 and 515–500 cm<sup>-1</sup> of **3** and **7**.

The electron impact mass spectrum of 3 (Table 5) exhibits the mass peaks m/e 331, 316, and 301 due to the ions  $[M - Me]^{+}$  (10%),  $[M - 2Me]^{+}$  (100%) and  $[M-3Me]^+$  (10%), respectively (calculated molecular mass M of 3 is 346.1). The chemical ionization and electron impact mass spectra of 7a, 7b, and 7c show the mass peaks m/e 365, 378, and 463 of their molecular ions  $[M+H]^+$ ,  $[M]^{+}$  and  $[M+H]^+$ , respectively. The mass peaks m/e 349, 367, and 448 were also observed in the electron impact mass spectra of 7a, 7b, and 7c, respectively, those being attributable to the ions  $[M - Me]^+$ . Thus, the Me fragment is split out from the molecules of 3 and 7 under the conditions of recording of the mass spectra. The mass peaks m/e 274, 292, and 307 in the chemical ionization mass spectra of 3, 7a, and 7b, respectively, are due to ions  $[M+H-Me_3Si]^+$  and  $[M + 2H - Me_3Si]^+$ .

The thermal stability of *O*,*O*,*S*-trisilyl dithiophosphate **3** containing the mixture of the OSiMe<sub>3</sub> and SSiMe<sub>3</sub> groups is not very high. The thermal stability of *O*,*S*-disilyl dithiophosphonates **7** containing stable P–C bonds is higher than that of **3**. *O*,*S*- Bis(trimethylsilyl)S'-isobutyltrithiophosphate 9 containing the P–S-alkyl group tends to partially decompose at high temperatures and when a falling-film distillation is used in attempted purification at the temperature of the thermal element of the apparatus, 140–150°C (0.02 mmHg).

As we can see, reactions 1, 2, and 3 were accompanied by the elimination of MeCN 5, indicating a possibility of formation of some 1:1 intermediate adducts of 1 or 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides 6 and 8 with starting disilylacetamide 2 containing the structural fragments of 2. The thermal stability of these intermediate addition products seems to be rather low, so these adducts were not isolated. However, the electron impact and chemical ionization mass spectra of the crude reaction mixtures of 6a, 6b, and 6c with 2 reveal the mass peaks m/e 389, 391, 419, and 503, 504 that may be assigned to the molecular ions  $[M]^+$  (2%),  $[M+H]^+$  $(6\%), [M']^{+}, (6\%), [M'']^{+}, (6\%) \text{ and } [M'' + H]^{+} (30\%),$ respectively, of intermediate products of the addition of monomeric units, Z-PS<sub>2</sub>, of 6a-c to 2 (calculated molecular masses M of these adducts are 389.2 (Z =4-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>), 419 (Z = 4-EtOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>) and 503.3 (Z =3.5-ditret.-Bu-4-HO-C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>2</sub>).

Thus, we have established that tetraphosphorus decasulfide and 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides react with disilylated acetamide to form disilyl esters of phosphorus(V) thioacids containing both OSiMe<sub>3</sub> and SSiMe<sub>3</sub> groups. We have proposed that the O,S-bis(trimethylsilyl) aryldithiophosphonates 7 obtained may be used as intermediates for the synthesis of a series of heterocyclic organothiophosphorus compounds. These studies are in progress.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

#### General Data

The  ${}^{31}$ P NMR spectra were recorded with a Bruker MSL 400 (162 MHz) instrument in C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub> with 85%

 $H_3PO_4$  as an external reference. The <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra were taken on a Bruker MSL-400 (400 MHz) spectrometer and a Varian T-60 (60 MHz) spectrometer in  $C_6D_6$  or  $CCl_4$  with  $(Me_3Si)_2O$  as an internal reference. The IR spectra were obtained in KBr pellets with an UR-20 infrared spectrophotometer and a Bruker IFS 113v spectrometer. Mass spectra (EI, 70 eV; CI, 100 eV) were determined on an M 80 B Hitachi chromatomass spectrometer.

*O*,*O*,*S*-*Tris*(*trimethylsily*) *Dithiophosphate* **3**. Compound **1** (9.6 g, 21.6 mmol) was added portionwise under dry argon with stirring at 20°C to 35.1 g (172.9 mmol) of **2**. The mixture was heated at 70–75 °C for 2 hours with stirring. The mixture was cooled and evaporated at reduced pressure (0.5 and 0.02 mmHg) at 40°C for 2 hours. Product **3** (20.8 g, 69%) was isolated from the residue by means of a fallingfilm distillation (see Tables 1–5).

Reaction of Lawesson's Reagent 6a with Bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide 2. Compound 6a (9.7 g, 24.0 mmol) was added portionwise under dry argon with stirring at 20°C to 9.8 g (48.2 mmol) of 2. The mixture was stored at ~20°C for 7 days and evaporated under vacuum (0.5 and 0.01 mmHg) at 40°C for 2 hours with use of a trap cooled by liquid nitrogen. Product 7a (12.0 g, 68%) was isolated from the residue by means of a falling-film distillation (see Tables 1–5). Distillation of the contents of the liquid nitrogen trap gave 5 (1.9 g, 95%), b.p. 82–83°C,  $n_D^{20}$  1.3449 (cf. lit. [11] b.p. 81–82°C,  $n_D^{20}$  1.3440). The <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  1.94 (s, 3H, <u>CH<sub>3</sub></u>).

Distilled 7a and 7c and crude 9 were obtained similarly (see Tables 1–5).

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