

TABLE III
STABILITY CONSTANTS OF THE MONOGLYCINATE COMPLEXES

Ion	Temp, °C				
	0	11	25	40	55
Ce	2.2 ± 0.5 ^a	...	3.4 ± 0.4	5.0 ± 0.6	5.7 ± 0.6
Pm	2.8 ± 0.3	3.3 ± 0.7	4.7 ± 0.3	6.2 ± 0.5	...
Eu	4.1 ± 0.3	...	5.0 ± 0.3	6.0 ± 0.4	8.0 ± 0.3
Am	3.0 ± 0.4	3.7 ± 0.1	4.9 ± 0.2	6.0 ± 0.3	...
Cm	4.2 ± 0.2	4.6 ± 0.6	6.4 ± 0.2	8.9 ± 0.3	...

^a The error assigned is twice the standard deviation (2σ).

The results of the calculation of enthalpy values from the temperature differential method are given in Table IV with values of ΔG and ΔS. In all cases the enthalpy

TABLE IV
THERMODYNAMIC PARAMETERS FOR THE MONOGLYCINATE COMPLEXES AT 25.0° AND μ = 2.0 M (NaClO₄)

Ion	ΔG, kcal mol ⁻¹	ΔH, kcal mol ⁻¹	ΔS, cal deg ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹
Ce	0.75 ± 0.03	3.3 ± 0.4	14 ± 2
Pm	0.91 ± 0.03	3.5 ± 0.4	15 ± 2
Eu	0.99 ± 0.02	2.3 ± 0.4	11 ± 2
Am	0.93 ± 0.02	2.9 ± 0.4	13 ± 2
Cm	1.12 ± 0.02	3.3 ± 0.4	15 ± 2

is positive and, hence, opposed to complexation. These endothermic values are larger than for the monoacetate complexing⁷ and comparable to the monoisobutyrate

data.⁸ The driving force for the complex formation is the positive entropy which is comparable to that of the monocarboxylate complexes. The similarity of the ΔH and ΔS values to those for the simple carboxylate anions, in contrast to the disagreement with the values for the α-hydroxycarboxylate complexes,^{7,9} leads to the conclusion that the glycinate zwitterion forms inner-sphere, monodentate complexes with the trivalent lanthanide and actinide ions. The agreement between the entropy values of the acetate and glycinate complexing indicates that the effect on the hydration of the cation is comparable. Consequently, the lower stability of the glycinate complexes as determined by the more endothermic enthalpy is probably due to decreased ionic attraction in the zwitterion complex M³⁺...-O₂CCH₂NH₃⁺ than in the acetate where the ligand positive charge is absent, M³⁺...-O₂CCH₃.

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Metal Complexes of Nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate

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Complexes of nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate, [(CH₃)₂N]₂P(O)N(CH₃)P(O)[N(CH₃)₂]₂, with both transition and non-transition metal perchlorates have been prepared. The coordinating ability of nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate (NIPA) is quite similar to that of octamethylpyrophosphoramidate (OMPA). Infrared evidence is in agreement with the formation of a six-membered chelate ring between the phosphoryl oxygens of NIPA and the metal ions. The Dq value of NIPA toward Ni(II) is the same as that for OMPA (726 vs. 727 cm⁻¹) while the β° value for NIPA with Ni(II) is lower (9.7 vs. 11.1%). The substitution of the N-methyl group for the bridge oxygen of OMPA appears to have little effect on the stability of the complexes.

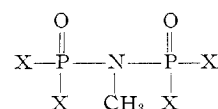
Introduction

Donoghue and Drago² prepared a series of metal complexes of hexamethylphosphoramidate (HMPA). The infrared data for these complexes are in support of coordination of the metal ions to the phosphoryl oxygen atom of the ligand. The transition metal perchlorate complexes isolated by them were generally four-coordinate and spectral data were indicative of tetrahedral geometry.

We have found that octamethylpyrophosphoramidate (OMPA) is a very versatile bidentate ligand.³ This ligand can be pictured as two HMPA molecules combined through a P-O-P linkage which has replaced one dimethylamino group on each HMPA molecule.

OMPA acts as a bidentate ligand utilizing both phosphoryl oxygen atoms. Recent X-ray studies⁴ have confirmed the previously proposed³ six-membered chelate ring which is formed between the metal ions and the pyrophosphate linkage of OMPA. The high stability of these complexes was attributed to the chelate effect.

The purpose of the present study was to examine the coordinating ability of the ligand obtained by replacing the P-O-P oxygen atom with an N-methyl group. The resulting ligand, nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate (NIPA)



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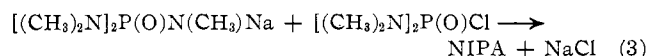
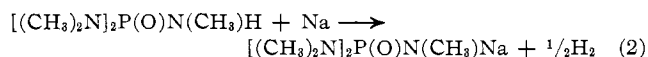
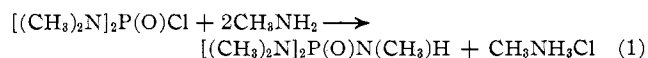
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where X = N(CH₃)₂, forms complexes with both transition and nontransition metals which show no signs of decomposition after standing in a desiccator for several months. The preparation and characterization of these complexes will be reported in this paper.

Experimental Section

Reagents.—Nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate was prepared by a reported method.⁵ The preparation involved the sequence of reactions



Pentamethylphosphoramidate in reaction 1 was prepared by a reported procedure.⁶ N,N',N'',N'''-Tetramethylphosphordiamidic chloride, [(CH₃)₂N]₂P(O)Cl, was obtained from K & K Laboratories, Inc. Nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate was purified by fractional distillation and the fraction which boiled in the range 135–137° at 0.15 mm was collected. The ligand is very hygroscopic and a good melting point was difficult to obtain. The melting point range was 50–58° compared to a reported value of 58°.

Preparation of Complexes.—All of the complexes except those of Hg(ClO₄)₂, Th(ClO₄)₄, UO₂(ClO₄)₂, and the tris complex of Cu(ClO₄)₂ were prepared by the following method. The hydrated metal perchlorates were dehydrated by stirring with excess 2,2'-dimethoxypropane. Enough ligand was added in an acetone solution to give slightly more than a 3:1 ratio of ligand to dehydrated metal salt. Precipitation of the complex began as soon as the solutions were well mixed. Precipitation was completed by addition of excess anhydrous ether. The solution was decanted from the complex and a few milliliters of acetone was added. The mixture was shaken and anhydrous ether was again added to reprecipitate any complex which dissolved. This acetone-ether wash was repeated about four or five times. The complex was then collected on a filter and washed with anhydrous ether under a nitrogen blanket. The filtered product was then dried *in vacuo* for about 12 hr.

The tris complex of Cu(ClO₄)₂ was prepared by adding ligand (0.005 mol) to a solution of the hydrated salt (0.001 mol) in 15 ml of acetone. The volume of the solution was then reduced almost to dryness either with a water aspirator or by blowing nitrogen over the solution. The complex formed as colorless crystals. The complex was washed thoroughly with ether and then dried *in vacuo*.

The complexes of Hg(ClO₄)₂ and UO₂(ClO₄)₂ were prepared in the same manner as above except that 2,2'-dimethoxypropane was not used. The hydrated salts were dissolved in acetone or methanol and the rest of the previous procedure was followed.

The Th(ClO₄)₄ complex was prepared by dissolving the hydrated salt in acetone and then enough ligand in acetone solution was added to give slightly more than 4:1 ratio of ligand to salt. A white gummy solid remained after stirring. This solid was kneaded with a stirring rod in an excess of anhydrous ether. Several portions of ether were used, and the kneading was continued until a white powder remained. The white powder was collected on a filter and washed with ether under a nitrogen blanket. The solid was dried *in vacuo* for about 24 hr.

The complexes are soluble in polar organic solvents such as acetone, nitromethane, methanol, and acetonitrile but are insoluble in nonpolar solvents such as carbon tetrachloride, ben-

zene, hydrocarbons, and ether. The complexes are also soluble in water but decompose immediately to the hydrated metal perchlorates. They are stable in air and are not hygroscopic.

Analytical data for the complexes are presented in Table I.

TABLE I
ANALYTICAL DATA FOR NIPA COMPLEXES^a

Compound	% carbon		% hydrogen		% nitrogen		Color
	Calcd	Found	Calcd	Found	Calcd	Found	
MgL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	28.9	28.9	7.28	7.18	18.7	18.2	White
CaL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	28.5	28.3	7.18	7.02	18.5	17.7	White
SrL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	27.4	27.6	6.89	7.02	17.7	17.3	White
BaL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	26.3	25.6	6.61	6.58	17.0	16.6	White
AlL ₃ (ClO ₄) ₃	26.5	26.6	6.68	6.70	17.2	16.6	White
MnL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	28.2	27.8	7.09	7.01	18.2	17.9	White
FeL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	25.9	26.0	6.52	6.69	16.8	16.7	Yellow
CoL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	28.1	27.9	7.06	6.90	18.2	18.0	Pink
NiL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	28.1	27.8	7.06	7.02	18.2	17.8	Yellow
CuL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	25.1	25.4	6.31	6.47	16.3	16.4	Pale blue
CuL ₃ (ClO ₄) ₂	28.0	27.8	7.04	7.10	18.1	17.9	White
ZnL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	27.9	27.8	7.03	7.05	18.1	18.2	White
HgL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	25.0	25.0	6.29	5.99	16.2	15.9	White
ThL ₄ (ClO ₄) ₄	23.7	23.5	5.96	5.94	15.3	14.9	White
UO ₂ L ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	23.9	23.3	6.02	5.93	15.5	14.9	Yellow

^a Elemental analyses were done by Galbraith Laboratories, Knoxville, Tenn.

Conductance Measurements.—A conductance bridge manufactured by Industrial Instruments, Inc., was used to measure the conductivities of the complexes in nitromethane solutions. A platinum dip-type cell with a cell constant of 0.11 was used. The conductance data are summarized in Table II.

TABLE II
INFRARED SPECTRAL AND CONDUCTANCE DATA FOR NIPA COMPLEXES

Compound	ν -	ν -	ν -	ν -	Annular, cm ² ohm ⁻¹ mol ⁻¹	Concn × 10 ³ , M
	(P=O), cm ⁻¹	(PNP), cm ⁻¹	(PNC), cm ⁻¹	(PNC), cm ⁻¹		
NIPA	1195	885	978	745		
MgL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂ ^a	1215 s 1179 w 1161 m	885 900	978 980 990	745 746	190	1.01
CaL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1209 s 1195 m 1160 w	895	990 978	749	191	1.02
SrL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1185 s 1155 sh	885	989	751	187	1.04
BaL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1182 1155 sh	880	988	749	194	1.00
AlL ₃ (ClO ₄) ₃	1170	900	993	760	264	1.04
MnL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1202 s 1161 m	900	980 990	750	181	1.02
FeL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1168 s	889	995	760	253	0.99
CoL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1201 s 1160 m	900	980 990	749	180	1.01
NiL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1203 s 1162 m	900	981 991	749	177	1.01
CuL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1155 s	892	1005 990	758	179	1.30
CuL ₃ (ClO ₄) ₂	1202 s 1165 m	902	991 983	750	190	1.02
ZnL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1204 s 1162 m	901	980 990	748	185	1.00
HgL ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	1180 m 1141 m	885	989	751	188	1.03
ThL ₄ (ClO ₄) ₄ ^b	1172	891	995	758	286	1.00
UO ₂ L ₂ (ClO ₄) ₂	Broad		985	753	164	1.03

^a s, strong; m, medium; w, weak; sh, shoulder. ^b KBr pellet.

Spectral Measurements.—Infrared spectra were obtained for Nujol mulls of the complexes with a Beckman IR-10 spectrophotometer. The ir data are summarized in Table II. Near-infrared, visible, and ultraviolet spectra were obtained with a Beckman DK-2A spectrophotometer.

Calculation of Dq and β° .—The Dq and β° parameters were calculated by the standard procedure.⁷ The Dq value of NIPA

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toward Ni(II) is 727 cm^{-1} ($10Dq = 7273\text{ cm}^{-1}$). The value calculated for the P-F term splitting is $14,300\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and β° is 9.7%. The calculated frequency of the middle peak is $12,300\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and the experimental value is $12,407\text{ cm}^{-1}$. These spectral data are in support of octahedral Ni(II) in acetone solution.

Results and Discussion

The complexes of nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate are very similar in appearance and properties to the corresponding octamethylpyrophosphoramidate complexes. This is to be expected since the only difference between the two ligands is the substitution of an N-methyl group for the bridging oxygen in OMPA.

For solutions of electrolytes in nitromethane, molar conductance values are usually in the range $15\text{--}20\text{ cm}^2\text{ ohm}^{-1}\text{ mol}^{-1}$ or less for nonelectrolytes, $80\text{--}90\text{ cm}^2\text{ ohm}^{-1}\text{ mol}^{-1}$ for 1:1 electrolytes, $130\text{--}180\text{ cm}^2\text{ ohm}^{-1}\text{ mol}^{-1}$ for 2:1 electrolytes, and $200\text{--}250\text{ cm}^2\text{ ohm}^{-1}\text{ mol}^{-1}$ for 3:1 electrolytes.⁸ The values found for the NIPA complexes (Table II) are slightly higher than these ranges but are in agreement with those obtained for the corresponding OMPA complexes.³ Molar conductance values were measured over the $10^{-2}\text{--}10^{-4}\text{ M}$ concentration range in nitromethane for NIPA complexes of Sr(II), Mn(II), Fe(III), and Al(III) perchlorates. The relative difference in the molar conductance values for 2:1 and 3:1 electrolytes was maintained over the $10^{-2}\text{--}10^{-4}\text{ M}$ concentration range with all molar conductance values increasing with dilution, as expected. Therefore, no special association effects or solvolysis reactions seem to be present. Although no range of values was given for 4:1 electrolytes, the values of 315 and $286\text{ cm}^2\text{ ohm}^{-1}\text{ mol}^{-1}$ obtained for $\text{Th}(\text{OMPA})_4(\text{ClO}_4)_4$ and $\text{Th}(\text{NIPA})_4(\text{ClO}_4)_4$, respectively, seem reasonable.

The visible and near-infrared spectrum of the Ni(II) complex in acetone solution consists of three low-intensity peaks at 420 ($\epsilon 17$), 806 ($\epsilon 6$), and $1375\text{ m}\mu$ ($\epsilon 5$). The Nujol mull spectrum of the Ni(II) complex was obtained by using the technique reported by Lee, Griswold, and Kleinberg.⁹ A peak was observed at $418\text{ m}\mu$ which is in good agreement with the $420\text{-m}\mu$ peak obtained in acetone. Peaks corresponding to those observed at 806 and $1375\text{ m}\mu$ in acetone are apparently too weak to be observed by the mull technique.

The acetone spectrum is typical of octahedral Ni(II) and the peaks at 420 , 806 , and $1375\text{ m}\mu$ can be assigned to the electronic transitions ${}^3A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^3T_{1g}(\text{P})$, ${}^3A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^3T_{1g}(\text{F})$, and ${}^3A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^3T_{2g}$, respectively. The ${}^3A_{2g} \rightarrow {}^3T_{2g}$ transition is equal to $10Dq$ in the octahedral configuration, and for $\text{Ni}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ this is 7273 cm^{-1} . The Dq value of NIPA (727 cm^{-1}) is the same as that of OMPA (726 cm^{-1}).¹⁰ This places NIPA at the lower end of the spectrochemical series. The β° value for NIPA is 9.7% compared to 11.2% for OMPA.¹⁰ Thus NIPA is also at the lower end of the nephelauxetic series.

The spectrum of $\text{Co}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ in acetone indicates the presence of octahedrally coordinated Co-

(II). The visible spectrum has one low-intensity peak at $542\text{ m}\mu$ ($\epsilon 25$). The peak is asymmetric which can be attributed to an unresolved peak at about $500\text{ m}\mu$. The Nujol mull spectrum of the Co(II) complex has a peak at $538\text{ m}\mu$. The similarity of the mull and solution spectrum is evidence that no change in species occurs when the complex is dissolved in acetone.

Walmsley and Tyree¹¹ observed a peak at $538\text{ m}\mu$ with a shoulder at $467\text{ m}\mu$ for $\text{Co}(\text{L})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ where $\text{L} = (\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{O})_2\text{P}(\text{O})\text{CH}_2\text{P}(\text{O})(\text{OC}_3\text{H}_7)_2$. The peak at $538\text{ m}\mu$ was attributed to the transition ${}^4T_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4A_{2g}(\text{F})$, and the peak at $476\text{ m}\mu$ to the transition ${}^4T_{1g} \rightarrow {}^4T_{1g}(\text{P})$. The peaks for $\text{Co}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ which correspond to these transitions are at 542 and $500\text{ m}\mu$.

Since the coordinating ability of NIPA is similar to that of OMPA, we were interested in the possibility of isolating a tris chelate of Cu(II) with NIPA. When the same conditions as those for the preparation of $\text{Cu}(\text{OMPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ are used, only $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ is obtained.¹² However, by altering the procedure (see Experimental Section) it is possible to isolate $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$. Since the color of the bis complex of Cu(II) with NIPA is pale blue while the tris complex is colorless, we decided to examine the electronic spectra of these complexes.

The spectra of both $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ and $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ in acetonitrile give a charge-transfer peak at $281\text{ m}\mu$ ($\epsilon 1600$). The spectrum of $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ in nitromethane gives an asymmetric peak with a maximum at $815\text{ m}\mu$ ($\epsilon 43$). This type of spectrum is characteristic of tetragonal Cu(II).¹³ As excess NIPA is added to the bis complex, the spectrum changes as shown in Figure 1. Curve 2 in Figure 1 agrees with that obtained for the spectrum of $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ when enough extra NIPA has been added to make the total ratio of ligand to metal 4:1. When a large excess of NIPA is added, the peak appears to begin to resolve into three or four peaks. Addition of more NIPA results in a cloudy solution. The presence of the isosbestic points at 592 and $862\text{ m}\mu$ indicates that the two major species present in solution are $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2^{2+}$ and $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_3^{2+}$. The spectrum of $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ is quite similar to that of $\text{Cu}(\text{OMPA})_3(\text{ClO}_4)_2$.¹² Thus we have the second example of a six-coordinate Cu(II) complex which has no absorption peaks in the visible region.

Infrared data are summarized in Table II. The PNP stretch has been assigned to the peak at 885 cm^{-1} . This assignment was arrived at by comparing the spectrum of hexamethylphosphoramidate with octamethylpyrophosphoramidate and nonamethylimidodiphosphoramidate. The only difference in the spectra of these three compounds is the appearance of a peak for OMPA and NIPA at 885 and 915 cm^{-1} , respectively. Since the only difference in this series is the PNP and POP bridge, the peak at 885 cm^{-1} is assigned to the PNP stretching frequency. The peak at 915 cm^{-1} for OMPA was previously assigned to the

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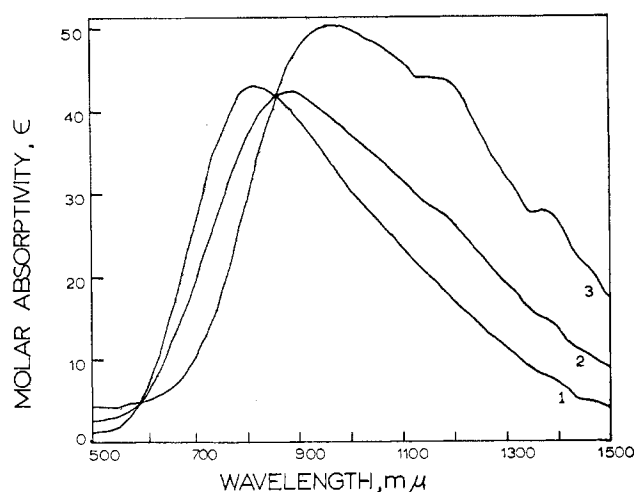


Figure 1.—Spectrum of $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ in nitromethane with varying amounts of excess ligand: (1) $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$; (2) $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ + slight excess of NIPA; (3) $\text{Cu}(\text{NIPA})_2(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ + large excess of NIPA.

POP stretching frequency.¹⁴ Both the PNP and PNC stretching frequencies for complexes of NIPA are shifted to higher frequencies (Table II). The effect of coordination on the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ stretching frequency is not easily interpreted. The peak assigned to the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ stretch for the ligand is rather broad. In the complex this peak seems to be split into a sharp strong peak at $\sim 1200\text{ cm}^{-1}$ and a sharp medium-intensity peak at $\sim 1170\text{ cm}^{-1}$. Walmsley and Tyree¹¹ reported splitting of the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ stretching vibrations in some bidentate $\text{P}=\text{O}$ ligands when more than one type of ligand was present in the inner coordination sphere. Cotton, Barnes, and Bannister¹⁵ attributed $\text{P}=\text{O}$ splitting or

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broadening to coupling between two $\text{P}=\text{O}$ vibrations via the metal atom to which both are coordinated or to the existence of nonequivalent ligands in the crystal. Splitting was not usually present in perchlorate complexes. However, in $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_3\text{PO}_4\text{Co}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ a sharp medium-intensity peak was observed at 1203 cm^{-1} and a strong peak at 1160 cm^{-1} . The peak at 1160 cm^{-1} was assigned to the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ stretching vibration. No assignment was given for the peak at 1208 cm^{-1} .

The shifts in the PNP and PNC stretching frequencies may be explained similarly to those for the POP and PN stretching frequencies in OMPA.¹⁴ The bond between the oxygen and the metal ion tends to withdraw electron density from the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ bond and thus decrease the double-bond character. This results in a decrease in the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ stretching frequency. Since electron density is drained from the $\text{P}=\text{O}$ bond, there is a tendency for the lone pair on each of the nitrogen atoms to be delocalized into the available $d\pi$ orbitals of the phosphorus. The bond order between phosphorus and nitrogen would be expected to increase and this would cause an increase in the PNP and PNC stretching frequencies.

Chelation seems to be the important factor in stabilizing the complexes since stable complexes are formed in spite of the low positions of NIPA in the spectrochemical and nephelauxetic series. The substitution of the more electropositive N-methyl group for the bridge oxygen of OMPA has little influence on the stability of the complexes.

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Effects of pH and Zinc Complex Formation on Phosphorus-Hydrogen Coupling Constants and Proton Chemical Shifts in Hypophosphorous and Phosphorous Acids

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The variation of J_{PH} with hydrogen ion concentration for solutions containing phosphite and hypophosphite species is shown to arise from rapid proton exchange among the various species present. Complex formation with zinc is shown to lead to similar increases in J_{PH} . The data are analyzed to give formation constants for mono- and bis(hypophosphito)zinc complexes.

Introduction

Two recent papers deal with variation with pH of phosphorus-hydrogen coupling constants and ^{31}P chemical shifts in phosphorous and hypophosphorous acid (among others). Moedritzer² studied the varia-

tion of the ^{31}P chemical shift and J_{PH} with degree of neutralization of the acids in aqueous solution. Sheldrick³ studied the variation of J_{PH} in strongly acidic media—sulfuric acid from 12 to 98%.

The present paper is concerned with the origins of the variations in J_{PH} in terms of the chemical species in-

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