(40), 95 (38), 85 (70), 59 (25). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O₄: C, 62.25; H, 7.60. Found: C, 62.60; H, 7.73.

Cyclization of Compound 5. Compound 5 (185 mg, 0.6 mmol) was cyclized according to the standard procedure. Flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate (4:1)) gave compound 13 (45 mg, 33%) and compound 14 (59 mg, 44%). After recrystallization from hexane we obtained pure the major (7S)-13 isomer: mp 106–108 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +7.5° (c 0.48, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3595 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (see Table I, supplementary material); MS m/z 213 (M⁺ – 15, 100). Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₂₀O₄: C, 63.13; H, 8.83. Found: C, 63.39; H, 8.57. 14: mp 42-44 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}$ -3.2° (c 3.4, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3500 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (see Table II, supplementary material); MS m/z 213 (M⁺ - 15, 100). Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₂₀O₄: C, 63.13; H, 8.83. Found: C, 62.98; H. 8.79.

Cyclization of Compound 6. Compound 6 (232 mg, 0.56 mmol), was cyclized according to the standard procedure. Flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate (19:1)) gave compound 15 (63 mg, 34%) and compound 16 (83 mg, 46%). After recrystallization from hexane we obtained pure the major (7S)-15 isomer: 109–111 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ –4° (c 1.0 CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 1730 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (See Table I, supplementary material); MS m/z 317 (M⁺ - 15, 20), 105 (100). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₅: C, 72.12; H, 7.65. Found: C, 71.25; H, 7.49. 16: mp 76–78 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ –37° (c 0.4 CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 1725 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) (see Table II, supplementary material); MS m/z 332 (2), 105 (100). Anal. Calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₅: C, 72.12; H, 7.65. Found: C: 72.37; H, 7.67.

Cyclization of Compound 7. Compound 7 (214 mg, 0.66 mmol) was cyclized according to the standard procedure to give after flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate (9:1)) compound 17 (30 mg, 18% (25% taking into account the recovered starting material 7)). After crystallization we could obtain major (8R)-17 isomer: mp 99–101 °C; $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ +4° (c 0.3, CHCl₃); IR (KBr) 3500 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (300 MHz, C₆D₆) (see Table II; supplementary material); MS m/z 227 (M⁺ – 15, 100). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O₄: C, 64.44; H, 9.15. Found: C, 64.03; H, 9.47.

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Addition of Triphenylphosphonium Salts to Aldehydes. Remarkable Counter Ion Effects on **Phosphorus Proton Couplings**

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As part of a program aimed at developing synthetic methods based on divalent germanium and divalent tin,¹ we had the opportunity to examine the chemistry of triphenylphosphonium salts 1. Phosphonium salt 1a, a precursor to dichloro- or bisamidogermylenes, can be obtained in nearly quantitative yield by the addition of tributyltin hydride² to an ethereal solution of germanium tetrachloride and triphenylphosphine (eq 1).³ Tin and

zinc analogues 1b. 1c can also be prepared in high yield.³

$$Ph_{3}P + GeCl_{4} \xrightarrow{nBu_{3}SnH} Ph_{3}PH MCl_{3}$$
(1)

$$la, M = Ge$$

$$b, M = Sn$$

$$c, M = Zn$$

We were interested in preparing 1-hydroxytrichlorogermanes via the addition of 1a to aldehydes. This approach was based on work by Mironov that had shown that 1-hydroxytrichlorogermanes could be prepared by the addition of HGeCl₃ to aldehydes.⁴ In our system it was not clear whether the triphenylphosphine would compete with the germanate anion for addition to the carbonyl carbon.

Recent work by Lee and Trogler showed that a variety of 1-hydroxy phosphonium salts could be prepared in high yield by the addition of an anhydrous acid to acetone, acetaldehyde, or benzaldehyde in the presence of PMe₃ or PEt₃.5 However, no reaction was observed with triphenylphosphine.⁵ Interestingly, Anders et al. prepared 1-hydroxy triphenylphosphonium tetrafluoroborate salts from triphenylphosphine, benzaldehyde or acetaldehyde, and tetrafluoroboric acid.6 In addition, triphenylphosphonium tetrafluoroborate reacts with thiodienes to give thioallylphosphonium tetrafluoroborates⁷ and triphenylphosphonium bromide⁸ adds to enol ethers to give 1-alkoxy phosphonium bromides.⁹ Thus, whether triphenylphosphine would add to an aldehyde or whether it could compete against trichlorogermanate or trichlorostannate was unclear.

When 1a-c were added to hydrocinnamaldehyde. 1hydroxy triphenylphosphonium salts 2a-c were obtained irrespective of the counterion (eq 2). We similarly pre-

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{c} Ph & CHO \\ Ph_3PH & MCl_3 \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} Ph & CHO \\ \hline CH_2Cl_2, r.t. \end{array} & Ph & \begin{array}{c} OH \\ Ph & \begin{array}{c} Ph & Ph \\ \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} Ph & Ph \\ \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} Y = Gecl_3 (2a), Sncl_3 (2b), \\ ZnCl_3 (2c). \end{array} \end{array}$$

$$Ph_{3}P + HCl \xrightarrow{Ph} CHO \\ CH_{2}Cl_{2}, r.t. \\ Ph \xrightarrow{OH} Pph_{3} Cl \quad (3)$$

pared phosphonium salt 3 from triphenylphosphine, hydrogen chloride, and hydrocinnamaldehyde without incident (eq 3).¹⁰ Thus, triphenylphosphine readily adds to aldehydes under anhydrous acidic conditions and it is more nucleophilic than trichlorogermanate, trichlorostannate, or chloride anions.

Due to significant differences in the ¹H NMR and IR spectra of compounds 2 and 3 (see below) their structures were determined based on the following information: (i) the spectra for 2a-c were very similar, (ii) $-ZnCl_3$ is not a nucleophile, unlike 'GeCl₃ or 'SnCl₃, and thus it cannot add to an aldehyde, (iii) there were no observable tin satellite peaks in the ¹H NMR spectra for the C_1 -H proton

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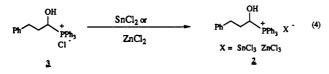
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Table I. Selected ¹H NMR Values for Compounds 2 and 3

compd no.	ppm OH	J (Hz)	ppm P-C-H	$J_{\rm PCH}$ (Hz)
3	8.5 (s)	~0	5.9 (d)	10.2
2a	5.0 (t)	8.5	6.2 (m)	3.0
2b	5.1 (dd)	8.0, 9.1	6.3 (dt)	<3.0
2c	5.4 (t)	8.6	6.1 (m)	

in 2b, suggesting tin was not bonded to this carbon, and (iv) when tin dichloride or zinc dichloride was added to 3, they yielded compounds 2b and 2c, respectively (eq 4). It thus became clear that germanate and stannate anions had not added to hydrocinnamaldehyde but that triphenylphosphine had added instead to form a 1-hydroxy phosphonium salt.



A comparison of the ¹H NMRs of 2 and 3 revealed some interesting differences. For compound 3 the P-C1-H coupling was 10.2 Hz, the hydroxyl proton was consistently a singlet at 8.5 ppm, and the C(2) protons were clearly diastereotopic (Table I). For compound 2a the P-C₁-H coupling was ca. 3 Hz,¹¹ the hydroxyl proton appeared as a sharp triplet (J = 8.5 Hz) at 5.0 ppm, and the C(2) protons were overlapping. There were also significant differences in the IR spectra of compounds 3 and 2. Whereas 2 has a hydroxyl stretch at 3380 cm⁻¹, the hydroxyl stretch of 3 resembled that of a carboxylic acid. Thus, there appears to be an interaction between the hydroxy proton and Cl⁻ in 3, but no such interaction between the counter ions of the type 2. Apparently, this interaction also effects the proximal phosphorus-proton couplings. On the other hand, the ¹³C and ³¹P spectra were very similar for compounds 2 and 3.

In summary, triphenylphosphonium salts add to aldehydes, irrespective of the counter ion, yielding 1-hydroxy phosphonium compounds. The ¹H NMR and IR spectra clearly indicate the presence of hydrogen-bonding interactions between the chloride counter ion and the hydroxyl proton, whereas no such interaction is observed between the ⁻GeCl₃, ⁻SnCl₃, or ⁻ZnCl₃ counter ions.

Experimental Section

¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz on a Varian XLA-400 spectrometer. ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded at 100 or 75 MHz. ³¹P NMR spectra were recorded at 160 MHz. Infrared spectra: all infrared spectra were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer Model 283 IR. C, H, N analyses: analyses were obtained for all new compounds from G. D. Searle, Skokie, IL.

Preparation of (3-Phenyl-1-hydroxypropyl)triphenylphosphonium Trichlorogermanate (2a). Hydrocinnamaldehyde (0.14 g, 1.04 mmol) was added to triphenylphosphonium trichlorogermanate (0.46 g, 1.04 mmol) in methylene chloride (5 mL) and stirred for 2 h. The volume of the reaction was reduced under vacuo, ethyl ether was added (ca. 1:1), and the reaction mixture was placed in a freezer (-30 °C). The crystals were isolated by filtration, washed with ether, and dried under vacuo (0.55 g, 92%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.81–7.65 (m, 15 H), 7.27–7.16 (m, 6 H), 6.20–6.15 (m, 1 H), 5.05–5.00 (t, 1 H, J = 8.5 Hz, OH), 3.15–3.07 (m, 1 H), 3.00–2.93 (m, 1 H), 2.13–2.06 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 140.22, 135.11 (d, ⁴ J_{PC} = 2.9 Hz), 134.21 (d, J_{PC} = 9.1 Hz), 130.43 (d, J_{PC} = 12.1 Hz), 128.66, 128.57, 126.30, 116.75 (d, ¹ J_{PC} = 81.3 Hz), 67.62 (d, ¹ J_{PC} = 61.1 Hz), 34.65 (d, ³ J_{PC} = 4.9 Hz), 31.86 (d, ² J_{PC} = 13.8 Hz); ³¹P (CDCl₃) δ 23.6 (s); IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3380 (m), 3060 (w), 3000 (m), 2960 (m), 2920 (m), 2900 (w),

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2b: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 7.80–7.76 (m, 9 H), 7.70–7.66 (m, 6 H), 7.26–7.16 (m, 5 H), 6.35–6.30 (dt, 1 H, ³J_{HH} = 5.7, 7.3, 7.9 Hz, CH₂CHOH(PPh₃)), 5.13–5.09 (dd, 1 H, ³J_{HH} = 8.0 Hz, ³J_{PH} = 9.1 Hz, OH), 3.15–3.08 (m, 1 H), 3.04–2.94 (m, 1 H), 2.79–2.04 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 140.37, 135.00 (d, ⁴J_{PC} = 2.9 Hz), 134.21 (d, J_{PC} = 9.0 Hz), 130.35 (d, J_{PC} = 12.2 Hz), 128.61, 128.47, 126.18, 116.66 (d, ¹J_{PC} = 81.4 Hz), 67.16 (d, ¹J_{PC} = 60.8 Hz), 34.47 (d, ³J_{PC} = 5.3 Hz), 31.83 (d, ²J_{PC} = 13.9 Hz); ³¹P (CDCl₃) δ 23.72 (s); IR (CHCl₃, cm⁻¹) 3320 (m), 2990 (s), 2300 (w), 1440 (w), 1370 (w), 1250 (s), 1100 (m), 890 (m). Anal. Calcd: C, 52.09; H, 4.21. Found: C, 52.02; H, 4.17.

2c: ¹H NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 7.8–7.7 (m, 9 H), 7.67–7.63 (m, 6 H), 7.2–7.1 (m, 5 H), 6.11 (br t, 1 H), 5.41 (t, 1 H, J = 8.6 Hz), 3.12–3.02 (m, 1 H), 3.0–2.9 (m, 1 H), 1.8 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CD₂Cl₂) δ 140.79, 135.54 (d, ⁴ J_{PC} = 3.0 Hz), 134.69 (d, J_{PC} = 9.0 Hz), 130.93 (d, J_{PC} = 14.0 Hz), 129.09, 128.92, 126.64, 116.99 (d, ¹ J_{PC} = 81.5 Hz), 68.61 (d, ¹ J_{PC} = 61.3 Hz), 34.92 (d, ³ J_{PC} = 4.9 Hz), 32.26 (d, ² J_{PC} = 14.0 Hz); ³¹P (CD₂Cl₂) δ 25.68; IR (CH₂Cl₂, cm⁻¹) 3520 (m), 3320 (m), 1600 (w), 1470 (w), 1120 (m). Anal. Calcd: C, 56.97; H, 4.60. Found: C, 56.65; H, 4.63.

Preparation of (3-Phenyl-1-hydroxypropyl)triphenylphosphonium Chloride (3). Hydrogen chloride (1 mL, 1 mmol, 1 M in ethyl ether) was added to a solution of triphenylphosphine (0.26 g, 1 mmol) in methylene chloride (5 mL) at room temperature and stirred for 5 min. Hydrocinnimaldehyde (0.13 g, 1 mmol) was added, and the reaction was stirred for 15 min. The volatiles were removed under vacuo to yield a white solid that was recrystallized form methylene chloride and ethyl ether (ca. 1:1): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 8.51 (s, 1 H, OH), 7.77-7.72 (m, 9 H), 7.65-7.60 (m, 6 H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 5 H), 5.92 (d, 1 H, $J_{\rm PH}$ = 10.17 Hz, CH₂CHOH(PPh₃)), 3.19-3.13 (m, 1 H), 2.98-2.90 (m, 1 H), 2.16–2.11 (m, 1 H), 2.00–1.96 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 140.77, 134.74 (d, ${}^{4}J_{PC}$ = 2.9 Hz), 134.2 (d, J_{PC} = 8.9 Hz), 130.15 (d, J_{PC} = 12.1 Hz), 128.90, 128.50, 126.10, 117.79 (d, ${}^{1}J_{PC}$ = 80.5 Hz), 67.03 (d, ${}^{1}J_{PC} = 58.8 \text{ Hz}$), 35.09 (d, ${}^{3}J_{PC} = 6.7 \text{ Hz}$), 31.80 (d, ${}^{2}J_{PC} = 14.5 \text{ Hz}$); ${}^{31}P$ (CDCl₃) δ 22.63 (s); IR (CHCl₃, cm⁻¹) 3040 (m), 2940 (s), 2800 (m), 1430 (w), 1250 (m), 1190 (m), 1100 (s). Anal. Calcd: C, 74.91; H, 6.05. Found: C, 74.81; H, 6.12.

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Metal-Halogen Exchange between Polybromoanisoles and Aliphatic Grignard Reagents: A Synthesis of Cyclopenta[b]benzofurans

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Metal-halogen exchange between aromatic halides and aliphatic organometallic reagents is a versatile method for preparing aromatic organometallic species.¹ Although organolithium reagents are usually used for this purpose,

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