

# Base-Catalyzed Hydrophosphination of Azobenzenes with Diarylphosphine Oxides: A Precise Construction of N-N-P Unit

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Supporting Information

ABSTRACT: Addition of diarylphosphine oxides to the N=N double bond of azobenzenes leads to the formation of the Psubstituted hydrazines in up to 98% yield for 24 examples, and the formation of diphenylphosphinic amides was observed in three substrates. This strategy features tolerance of a wide range of functional groups, simple operation, and mild reaction conditions. Specially, this method can be also applied to the gram-scale synthesis of the product. A polar reaction mechanism is also proposed based on control experiments.

Recently, significant attention has been paid to organo-phosphorous compounds for their wide application in organic synthesis, asymmetric catalysis, and medicinal chemistry. Some pharmaceutical compounds containing a P(=O)N bond are depicted in Scheme 1. Thus, various methods have been developed to prepare organophosphorous compounds including the construction of a C-P bond, S-P bond, and N-P bond, among which the formation of the N-P bond

# Scheme 1. Structures of Pharmaceutical Compounds with Phosphinic Amide Unit

usually suffered from anaerobic reagents, the use of toxic and moisture-sensitive halides (RO)<sub>2</sub>P(O)Cl, and inert conditions. Thus, it is always valuable to achieve N-P bond formation under milder conditions to update the existing methods.

Azobenzenes are important scaffolds and have been widely applied in such fields as organic dyes, protein probes, chemosensors, and molecular machines due to their unique properties.<sup>5</sup> Thus, the preparation of these compounds is well developed considering the broad utility of azobenzenes.<sup>6</sup> In 2014, our group realized the ortho-C-H phosphonation of azobenzenes using the N=N double bond as directing group, <sup>2b</sup> which further expanded the scope of steric azo compounds. Meanwhile, the cleavage of the N=N bond is valuable in understanding the mechanism of dinitrogen fixation as well as developing new transformations using azo compounds as synthon. In 2014, the Xi group utilized the cleavage of the N= N bond of azobenzenes to synthesize benzimidazole derivatives. In 2015, the same group reported a new method for the synthesis of quinolones from azobenzenes and allyl bromides via N=N bond cleavage.8 Recently, our group realized direct synthesis of amide compounds from azobenzenes and aroyl surrogates via a radical process (Scheme 2).9 However, it is still highly desirable to further explore the utilities of azobenzenes. Herein, we report a highly efficient method for the construction of the N-N-P unit by reaction of azobenzenes with diary-

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Scheme 2. Different Approaches for the Cleavage of the N=N Double Bond

24 examples

Table 1. Hydrophosphination of Azobenzene 1a with Diphenylphosphine Oxide 2a under Various Conditions<sup>a</sup>

oxidant, additive oxidant, additive oxidant, additive oxidant, additive oxidant, additive oxidant, additive oxidant (equiv) additive (equiv) solvent 
$$T(^{\circ}C)$$
 time (h)

entry	oxidant (equiv)	additive (equiv)	solvent	T (°C)	time (h)	yield of $3aa^b$ (%)
1	$K_2S_2O_8$ (3)		CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	20	0
2	TBHP (3)		CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	20	21
3	AgOAc (3)		CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	20	0
4	$Mn(OAc)_3$ (3)		CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	20	0
5	DTBP (3)		CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	20	76
6	DTBP (3)	$K_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	6	84
7	DTBP (3)	$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	6	88
8	DTBP (3)	$Na_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	6	78
9		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	6	96
10		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	110	0.5	95
11		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	DCE	110	0.5	92
12		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	DMSO	110	0.5	27
13		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	PhCl	110	0.5	48
14		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	DMF	110	0.5	66
15		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	100	0.5	98
16		$Cs_2CO_3$ (1.1)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	80	0.5	86
17		$Cs_2CO_3$ (0.2)	CH <sub>3</sub> CN	100	0.5	16
18			CH <sub>3</sub> CN	100	0.5	0

<sup>a</sup>Reaction conditions: 1a (0.25 mmol), 2a (0.5 mmol), oxidant (equiv), additive (equiv), solvent (2 mL), time, air. <sup>b</sup>Isolated yield.

lphosphine oxides. To the best of our knowledge, only a few cases for the synthesis of P-substituted hydrazines were reported.  $^{10}$ 

At the outset, based on our previous work, we envisaged that the P-centered radical, generated from diphenylphosphine oxide, could attack the N=N double bond. Subsequently, the hydrolysis of the intermediate 3aa could afford the final product 4aa (Table 1). Our initial efforts focused on the model reaction of azobenzene (1a) with diphenylphosphine oxide (2a) to optimize the reaction conditions. Unexpectedly, screening of the oxidant showed that the use of DTBP (tert-butyl peroxide) afforded 3aa in 76% yield; however, our expected product 4aa was not observed (Table 1, entries 1–5). Encouraged by this result, we further optimized the reaction conditions through adding base as additive and found that the use of base did increase the yield of 3aa, and Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> enhanced the product

3aa yield up to 88% for 6 h (Table 1, entries 6–8). Surprisingly, this reaction could proceed well even without oxidant, affording 3aa in up to 96% yield (Table 1, entry 9). What's more, 95% yield was obtained when shortening the reaction time to only 30 min (Table 1, entry 10). Solvent screening including DCE, DMSO, PhCl, and DMF revealed that these tested solvents were all inferior in terms of the reaction yields (Table 1, entries 11–14). Gratifyingly, the yield was increased to 98% when the temperature was decreased to 100 °C (Table 1, entries 15 and 16). Also, decreasing the amount of Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> to 0.2 equiv led to 16% yield of the product (Table 1. entry 17). The reaction did not proceed in the absence of Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (Table 1, entry 18). It should be noted that the assumed product 4aa was not observed during the whole screening process.

3 examples

Having found the optimal reaction conditions, the scope of this interesting reaction was explored using various azobenThe Journal of Organic Chemistry

Scheme 3. Hydrophosphination of Substituted Azoarenes with Diphenylphosphine Oxide<sup>a</sup>

"Reaction conditions: 1 (0.25 mmol), 2a (0.5 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.1 equiv) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2 mL) at 100 °C for indicated time; isolated yields. <sup>b</sup>Diisopropyl diazene-1,2-dicarboxylate was tested instead of azoarenes; run twice at 40 and 60 °C, respectively.

zenes 1 with diphenylphosphine oxide (2a). Gratifyingly, the reaction was tolerant toward a variety of substituted azobenzenes and showed good compatibility with a wide range of functional groups (Scheme 3). Unexpectedly, when azobenzene 1b having 2-methyl group on the phenyl ring reacted with 2a, the desired product 3ba was isolated in 21% yield. Meanwhile, diphenylphosphinic amide 4ba was obtained in 37% yield, which may be attributed to the hydrolysis of 3ba. 3- and 4-methyl-substituted azobenzenes were well transformed to the corresponding products in 72% and 85% yields, respectively (3ca, 3da). As for 4-methoxy azobenzene 1ea, only 4ea was afforded in 51% yield, and no desired product 3ea was observed. Azobenzenes possessing halogen moieties on the para and meta positions furnished the hydrophosphinated products in 44-88% yields (3fa, 3ga, 3ha, 3ia, 3ja). Substrates with electron-withdrawing groups such as -OCF3 and -COOEt on the aromatic ring underwent hydrophosphination to give the corresponding products in good yields (3ka, 3la). Surprisingly, 2,4-disubstituted azobenzene 1ma only furnished diphenylphosphinic amide 4ma in 26% yield for 5 h. Overall, azobenzenes with electron-donating and electron-withdrawing groups worked well with diphenylphosphine oxide. When a nonaromatic azo compound reacted with diphenylphosphine oxide, no desired product was formed (3na).

Next, the reactions of variously substituted phenylphosphine oxides with 1a were examined, and the results are listed in

Scheme 4. Both electron-donating and electron-withdrawing substituents on the aryl groups were well tolerated in this reaction (3ab-3ag). Among them, the o-methyl substituted substrate 2b afforded a relatively lower yield of 38% probably due to steric hindrance (3ab). Delightedly, di-2-naphthylphosphine oxide could also deliver the corresponding product 3ah with a good yield of 53%. Moreover, the heterocyclic phosphine oxide compound was also well tolerated, affording the desired product 3ai in 64% yield. Subsequently, phosphine oxides with two different substituents were employed. The unsymmetric phosphine oxides, such as phenyl(p-tolyl)phosphine oxide and (4-methoxyphenyl)(phenyl)phosphine oxide, worked well to deliver the corresponding products in excellent yields (3ak, 3al). Unfortunately, ethyl phenylphosphinate was less effective in the reaction (3aj). When dialkyl phosphites like diethyl phosphonate and dimethyl phosphonate were tested, no desired product was obtained (3am, 3an). Notably, no diphenylphosphinic amides were observed when broadening the scope of substituted phenylphosphine oxides.

To test whether the reaction was amenable to scale-up (Scheme 5), we attempted a reaction using 5 mmol of azobenzene (1a) and 10 mmol of diphenylphosphine oxide (2a). Gratifyingly, 1a was converted into the corresponding product 3aa in 91% yield.

To establish a possible mechanism of the Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>-promoted hydrophosphination reaction, some control experiments were

Scheme 4. Reaction of P(O)-H Compounds with Azobenzene

"Reaction conditions: 1 (0.25 mmol), 2a (0.5 mmol), Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.1 equiv) and CH<sub>3</sub>CN (2 mL) at 100 °C for indicated time; isolated yields.

# Scheme 5. Synthesis of 3aa on Gram Scale

carried out. First of all, to confirm whether the reaction process was performed via a radical way, 1a and 2a were subjected to the standard conditions using TEMPO and AIBN as radical scavenger, respectively (Scheme 6, eq 1). To our surprise, the yield of 3aa was not largely affected by the addition of these radical-trapping reagents. These results indicate that this transformation via a radical process is excluded. Then, the hydrophosphinated product 3aa was found to be intact under strong basic conditions using  $Cs_2CO_3$ , KOH, and  $^tBuOK$ ,

# Scheme 6. Investigation of the Reaction Mechanism

Scheme 7. Plausible Mechanism

respectively (Scheme 6, eq 2); however, **3ba** was converted into diphenylphosphinic amide **4ba** in 63% yield under base conditions (Scheme 6, eq 3). These results confirm that the formation of diphenylphosphinic amides in some substrates was through the corresponding hydrophosphinated products as the intermediates, and it depends on the stability of the hydrophosphinated products under base conditions.

On the basis of the above results and literature reports, <sup>10,13</sup> it is reasonable to propose that the hydrophosphination of aromatic azo compounds with diarylphosphine oxides proceeds via a polar reaction mechanism as shown in Scheme 7. First, diphenylphosphine oxide can be deprotonated to generate A under basic conditions; then the N=N double bond is attacked by A to form intermediate B. Finally, this intermediate B abstracts H<sup>+</sup> from 2a, leading to the final product 3aa and regenerating A. It should be noted that some diphenylphosphinic amides were obtained via the hydrolysis process of hydrophosphinated products observed in some substrates.

In summary, we have disclosed a convenient and practical method for the construction of the N-N-P unit. This newly developed protocol features a short reaction time and good functional group tolerance, and a plausible mechanism is proposed. Considering the valuable structure of the products, this concise method to construct the N-P bond may have potential applications in the synthesis of related natural compounds and pharmaceuticals.

# **EXPERIMENTAL SECTION**

**General Information.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR, <sup>19</sup>F NMR, and <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were recorded at 400, 100, 376, and 162 MHz, respectively, using tetramethylsilane as an internal reference. Chemical shifts (δ) and coupling constants (J) were expressed in parts per million and hertz, respectively. Melting points were uncorrected. High-resolution mass spectrometry (HRMS) was performed on an ESI-TOF spectrometer. Chemicals were commercially available and used without purification. Aromatic azo compound substrates were prepared according to the literature procedure. <sup>14</sup> Substituted phenyl-phosphine oxides were synthesized according to the reported procedure. <sup>15</sup> Chromatography: Column chromatography was performed with silica gel (200–300 mesh ASTM).

General Experimental Procedures and Characterizations. Azobenzene (0.25 mmol), diphenylphosphine oxide (0.5 mmol, 2 equiv),  $Cs_2CO_3$  (1.1 equiv), dry  $CH_3CN$  (2 mL), and a stir bar were added to a sealed tube. After being stirred at 100 °C for the indicated time, the mixture was evaporated under vacuum. The corresponding products were isolated by silica gel column chromatography with a dichloromethane/ethyl acetate mixture (100:4) as eluent.

*N,N',P,P-Tetraphenylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3aa*). White solid. mp: 217–219 °C. Yield: 98% (94 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.82 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.6 Hz,  $J_2$  = 12.0 Hz, 4H), 7.48–7.34 (m, 8H), 7.16 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.07 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 5.92 (s, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  147.1 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 1.2 Hz), 143.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 12.0 Hz), 133.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 117.7 Hz), 131.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 8.5 Hz), 128.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.6 Hz), 123.3, 120.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.5 Hz), 119.0, 113.0. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 162

MHz):  $\delta$  30.87. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{22}N_2OP$  385.1470; Found 385.1465.

*P,P-Diphenyl-N,N'-di-o-tolylphosphinic Hydrazide* (**3ba**). Colorless oil. Yield: 21% (22 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.88–7.82 (m, 4H), 7.47 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.35 (m, 4H), 7.29 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.09–7.04 (m, 2H), 7.00 (t, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.68 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (s, 1H), 2,47 (s, 3H), 1.93 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 Hz):  $\delta$  143.8 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.3 Hz), 141.1 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 5.9 Hz), 135.4 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 3.6 Hz), 132.3 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 9.3 Hz), 131.9 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 2.7 Hz), 130.5 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 121.5 Hz), 128.5, 128.2 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 12.7 Hz), 127.0, 126.8 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 2.1 Hz), 126.4, 126.3, 122.2, 120.2, 114.0, 19.3, 16.9. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 162 MHz):  $\delta$  30.43. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 413.1783; Found 413.1790.

*P,P-Diphenyl-N-(o-tolyl)phosphinic Amide* (4ba). <sup>16</sup> Pale white solid. mp: 130–132 °C. Yield: 37% (29 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 7.85 (dd,  $J_1$  = 6.8 Hz,  $J_2$  = 11.6 Hz, 4H), 7.55–7.44 (m, 6H), 7.42 (s, 1H), 7.18 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.89 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.39 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 139.4, 133.3 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 127.3 Hz), 131.7 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.4 Hz), 131.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.4 Hz), 130.4, 129.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 8.5 Hz), 128.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 12.2 Hz), 126.0, 122.4, 121.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 4.8 Hz), 18.1. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 162 MHz): δ 16.18. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{19}H_{19}$ NOP 308.1204; Found 308.1201.

*P,P-Diphenyl-N,N'-di-m-tolylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3ca*). White solid. mp: 210–212 °C. Yield: 72% (74 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.82 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.6 Hz,  $J_2$  = 12.4 Hz, 4H), 7.45 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.39–7.33 (m, 4H), 7.22 (s, 1H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.95 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.49 (s, 1H), 5.95 (s, 1H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 Hz):  $\delta$  146.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 3.4 Hz), 143.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.2 Hz), 138.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 8.1 Hz), 132.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.6 Hz), 131.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.7 Hz), 130.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 128.4 Hz), 128.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 15.4 Hz), 128.3 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 12.7 Hz), 125.1, 122.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.5 Hz), 121.4, 118.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.7 Hz), 114.2, 110.8, 21.5, 21.4. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 162 MHz):  $\delta$  30.68. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>25</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaOP 435.1602; Found 435.1625.

*P,P-Diphenyl-N,N'-di-p-tolylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3da*). White solid. mp: 219–221 °C. Yield: 85% (88 mg). ¹H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.25 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82 (dd,  $J_1$  = 7.2 Hz,  $J_2$  = 12.0 Hz, 4H), 7.49–7.40 (m, 6H), 7.33–7.27 (m, 2H), 6.91 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 100 Hz):  $\delta$  142.7, 132.9, 132.1, 129.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 23.0 Hz), 128.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 2.0 Hz), 124.9 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 83.2 Hz), 120.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 5.3 Hz), 116.7, 20.7, 20.6. ³¹P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  17.76. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{26}N_2$ OP 413.1783; Found 413.1785.

*N*-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-P,P-diphenylphosphinic Amide (4ea). <sup>16</sup> White solid. mp: 146–148 °C. Yield: 51% (41 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  7.99 (d, J = 11.2 Hz, 1H), 7.82–7.76 (m, 4H), 7.58–7.47 (m, 6H), 7.01 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 6.71 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  153.7, 134.3 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 112.3 Hz), 132.5, 131.6 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 9.9 Hz), 128.5 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 12.4 Hz), 119.8 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 6.7 Hz), 114.1, 55.0. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  16.27. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>19</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P 324.1153; Found 324.1160.

N,N'-Bis(4-fluorophenyl)-P,P-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (**3fa**). Yellow solid. mp: 199–201 °C. Yield: 44% (46 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.43 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (dd, J<sub>1</sub>

= 7.2 Hz,  $J_2$  = 12.0 Hz, 4H), 7.54–7.42 (m, 8H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.88–6.83 (m, 4H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  158.6 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}}$  = 257.5 Hz), 156.2 (d,  $J_{\text{C-F}}$  = 250.9 Hz), 143.2 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 1.8 Hz), 139.6 (dd,  $J_{\text{C-F}}$  = 11.2 Hz,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 2.5 Hz), 131.9 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 8.7 Hz), 131.3 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 124.7 Hz), 131.1 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 9.5 Hz), 128.7 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 12.4 Hz), 128.4 (m), 124.1 (dd,  $J_{\text{C-F}}$  = 8.0 Hz,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 2.1 Hz), 115.2 (dd,  $J_{\text{C-F}}$  = 22.6 Hz,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 9.5 Hz), 114.6 (d,  $J_{\text{C-P}}$  = 7.3 Hz).  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  28.14.  $^{19}$ F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 376 MHz):  $\delta$  –118.74, –125.31. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{20}F_2N_2$ OP 421.1281; Found 421.1275.

*N*,*N'*-*Bis*(*4*-chlorophenyl)-*P*,*P*-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (**3ga**). White solid. mp: 204–206 °C. Yield: 85% (96 mg).  $^{1}$ H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.67 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.85–7.75 (m, 4H), 7.56–7.78 (m, 8H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  150.9, 147.9 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 12.0 Hz), 137.1 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 11.7 Hz), 133.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 4.6 Hz), 132.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 113.1 Hz), 127.8, 127.3 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 1.8 Hz), 119.6.  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  34.03. HRMS (ESITOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 453.0690; Found 453.0689.

*N,N'-Bis*(4-bromophenyl)-P,P-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (3ha). White solid. mp: 203–205 °C. Yield: 78% (106 mg).  $^{1}$ H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.67 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (br, 4H), 7.61–7.42 (m, 6H), 7.39 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  145.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 1.1 Hz), 142.6, 131.9 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 3.4 Hz), 131.8, 131.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 7.8 Hz), 131.3 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 9.9 Hz), 128.5 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 4.5 Hz), 127.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 112.4 Hz), 122.4 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 26.2 Hz), 122.1 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 2.4 Hz), 117.6, 114.6 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 43.9 Hz).  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  29.31. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{20}$ Br<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 540.9680; Found 540.9675.

*N*,*N'*-*Bis*(*3*-*chlorophenyl*)-*P*,*P*-*diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3ia*). White solid. mp: 219–221 °C. Yield: 88% (99 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.79 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86–7.75 (m, 4H), 7.61–7.42 (m, 6H), 7.41 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 2H), 7.34 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.07–6.98 (m, 2H), 6.73–6.64 (m, 2H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 148.3, 145.3 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 12.1 Hz), 133.2 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 24.3 Hz), 132.1 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 25.4 Hz), 131.9, 131.1 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 154.5 Hz), 128.9 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 12.4 Hz), 128.1 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 12.1 Hz), 123.1, 119.4 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 2.5 Hz), 118.9, 118.5 (d, J<sub>C-P</sub> = 2.1 Hz), 112.0, 111.3. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 29.89. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 453.0690; Found 453.0692.

*N*,*N'*-*Bis*(3-bromophenyl)-*P*,*P*-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (*3ja*). White solid. mp: 220–222 °C. Yield: 62% (84 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.76 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85–7.74 (m, 4H), 7.63–7.35 (m, 8H), 7.17–7.11 (m, 2H), 6.98 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.72 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 148.4, 145.4 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 12.1 Hz), 132.2 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 26.5 Hz), 131.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 3.3 Hz), 131.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 2.6 Hz), 130.7, 129.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 166.6 Hz), 128.8, 128.1 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 12.7 Hz), 126.0, 122.3 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 2.3 Hz), 121.9, 121.6 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 15.6 Hz), 118.9 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 2.0 Hz), 114.9, 111.6. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 29.85. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{24}H_{20}Br_2N_2OP$  540.9680; Found 540.9680.

*Diethyl* 4,4′-(1-(*Diphenylphosphoryl*))hydrazine-1,2-diyl)-dibenzoate (*3ka*). White solid. mp: 234–236 °C. Yield: 92% (122 mg).  $^{1}$ H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz): δ 9.29 (s, 1H), 7.87 (dd,  $J_{1}$  = 8.4 Hz,  $J_{2}$  = 12.4 Hz, 2H), 7.80–7.70 (m, 6H), 7.65–7.59 (m, 4H), 7.46 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H), 7.41–7.33 (m, 2H), 6.71 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 4.24–4.15 (m, 4H), 1.23 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 6H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz): δ 165.2 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 28.1 Hz), 150.9, 148.6 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 12.2 Hz), 132.4 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 2.9 Hz), 131.9 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 10.1 Hz), 131.8, 131.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 6.5 Hz), 130.6, 130.3, 130.1 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 5.2 Hz), 129.0 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 5.0 Hz), 128.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 5.2 Hz), 128.0 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 13.0 Hz), 127.1 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 162.5 Hz), 117.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 1.9 Hz), 111.2, 60.3, 59.9, 14.2, 14.1.  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 162 MHz): δ 31.06. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]+ Calcd for  $C_{30}$ H<sub>29</sub>N<sub>2</sub>NaO<sub>5</sub>P S51.1712; Found S51.1707.

*P,P-Diphenyl-N,N'-bis(4-(trifluoromethoxy)phenyl)phosphinic Hydrazide (3Ia)*. Yellow solid. mp: 174–176 °C. Yield: 72% (99 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.79 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.87–

7.75 (m, 4H), 7.59–7.48 (m, 6H), 7.47–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.22 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.02 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.78 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 2H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  145.9, 143.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 1.6 Hz), 142.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 12.1 Hz), 140.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 1.4 Hz), 131.8 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 9.7 Hz), 131.6 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 116.2 Hz), 128.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 14.2 Hz), 128.0 (d,  $J_{C.F}$  = 11.4 Hz), 124.9, 120.3 (q,  $J_{C.F}$  = 253.0 Hz), 120.1 (q,  $J_{C.F}$  = 254.2 Hz), 118.7 (d,  $J_{C.P}$  = 16.9 Hz) 113.4.  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  29.61.  $^{19}$ F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 376 MHz):  $\delta$  -57.08, -57.29. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M - H] Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{18}F_6N_2O_3P$  551.0959; Found 551.0953.

*N*-(2,4-Dimethylphenyl)-P,P-diphenylphosphinic Amide (4ma). Orange solid. mp: 144–146 °C. Yield: 26% (21 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 7.84 (dd,  $J_1$  = 6.4 Hz,  $J_2$  = 11.6 Hz, 4H), 7.51–7.44 (m, 6H), 7.34 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.93 (s, 1H), 6.69 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H) 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 136.6, 133.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 127.4 Hz), 131.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.3 Hz), 131.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.5 Hz), 131.3, 131.0, 129.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 8.4 Hz), 128.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 12.2 Hz), 126.4, 121.7 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 4.5 Hz), 20.2, 18.0. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 16.06. HRMS (ESITOF) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NNaOP 344.1180; Found 344.1177.

*N,N'-Diphenyl-P,P-di-o-tolylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3ab*). White solid. mp: 195–197 °C. Yield: 38% (39 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.39 (s, 1H), 7.70–7.43 (m, 6H), 7.29 (br, 3H), 7.19 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.07–6.93 (m, 4H), 6.66 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.56 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.23 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  146.7 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 1.3 Hz), 144.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.8 Hz), 141.9, 132.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 139.2 Hz), 131.1 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.7 Hz), 128.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 18.4 Hz), 125.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 16.8 Hz), 124.7, 122.5, 119.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 1.6 Hz), 118.8, 112.5, 21.4, 20.9. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  34.84. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 413.1783; Found 413.1789.

*N,N'-Diphenyl-P,P-di-m-tolylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3ac*). White solid. mp: 205–207 °C. Yield: 51% (53 mg). ¹H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.44 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.71–7.56 (m, 4H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (br, 4H), 7.14 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 2.27 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz): δ 147.1 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 0.9 Hz), 143.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.9 Hz), 137.3, 132.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 4.9 Hz), 131.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 120.9 Hz), 129.0 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.3 Hz), 128.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 8.6 Hz), 123.1, 120.7 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 2.5 Hz), 118.9, 112.9, 20.9. ³¹P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 162 MHz): δ 28.78. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]\* Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{25}N_2$ NaOP 435.1602; Found 435.1595.

*N,N'-Diphenyl-P,P-di-p-tolylphosphinic Hydrazide* (*3ad*). White solid. mp: 215–217 °C. Yield: 92% (94 mg). ¹H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.43 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.68 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 4H), 7.39 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.23 (br, 4H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.28 (s, 6H). ¹³C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 147.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 1.1 Hz), 143.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.8 Hz), 131.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.1 Hz), 128.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 17.0 Hz), 123.1, 121.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 127.4 Hz), 120.8, 118.8, 112.9, 20.9. ³¹P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 29.01. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 413.1783; Found 413.1783.

*P,P-Bis*(4-methoxyphenyl)-N,N'-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (*3ae*). White solid. mp: 202–204 °C. Yield: 97% (107 mg).  $^{1}$ H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.41 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 4H), 7.38 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.12 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.03–6.96 (m, 6H), 6.87 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.59 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 6H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  161.7 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 1.7 Hz), 147.3 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 1.0 Hz), 144.1 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 11.9 Hz), 133.7 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 10.7 Hz), 128.4 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 20.2 Hz), 123.9 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 2.1 Hz), 123.2 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 132.2 Hz), 122.6, 120.6 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 2.5 Hz), 118.7, 113.4 (d,  $J_{\rm C-P}$  = 34.0 Hz), 112.8, 55.2.  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ ) 162 MHz):  $\delta$  28.92. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]+ Calcd for  $C_{26}H_{26}N_2O_3P$  445.1681; Found 445.1686.

*P,P-Bis*(4-fluorophenyl)-N,N'-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (**3af**). White solid. mp: 203–205 °C. Yield: 28% (30 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.51 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (br, 4H), 7.40 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.30 (br, 4H), 7.16 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.03 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.92 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.62 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 6.70 (t, J =

J = 7.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  164.2 (d,  $J_{C-F}$  = 254.6 Hz), 162.9, 146.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 1.3 Hz), 143.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 12.1 Hz), 134.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 9.5 Hz), 134.7, 128.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 7.9 Hz), 123.5, 120.9, 120.1 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 184.5 Hz), 115.6 (m), 112.9. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  26.65. <sup>19</sup>F NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 376 MHz):  $\delta$  -107.29, -107.64. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>20</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 421.1281; Found 421.1277.

*P,P-Bis*(4-chlorophenyl)-N,N'-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (*3ag*). White solid. mp: 202–204 °C. Yield: 87% (98 mg).  $^{1}$ H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz):  $\delta$  8.48 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.85–7.79 (m, 4H), 7.53–7.39 (m, 6H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.89 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz):  $\delta$  147.1 (d,  $J_{C,P}$  = 1.3 Hz), 143.7 (d,  $J_{C,P}$  = 12.0 Hz), 133.4, 132.6 (d,  $J_{C,P}$  = 139.4 Hz), 131.8, 131.2 (d,  $J_{C,P}$  = 9.9 Hz), 128.7 (d,  $J_{C,P}$  = 36.0 Hz), 123.2, 120.9 (d,  $J_{C,P}$  = 2.6 Hz), 118.9, 112.9.  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 162 MHz):  $\delta$  28.34. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{24}$ H<sub>20</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 453.0690; Found 453.0686.

*P,P-Di*(naphthalen-2-yl)-N,N'-diphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (*3ah*). White solid. mp: 211–213 °C. Yield: 53% (64 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.64 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 8.56 (br, 2H), 8.02 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.91 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 6H), 7.63–7.56 (m, 4H), 7.50 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.90–6.85 (m, 3H), 6.59 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 147.1, 143.7 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.9 Hz), 134.0 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 3.9 Hz), 128.8, 128.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 8.6 Hz), 127.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 137.3 Hz), 126.9, 123.4, 121.0, 119.0, 113.1. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 28.03. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for C<sub>32</sub>H<sub>26</sub>N<sub>2</sub>OP 485.1783; Found 485.1780.

*N,N'-Diphenyl-P,P-di(thiophen-2-yl)phosphinic Hydrazide (3ai).* White solid. mp: 185–187 °C. Yield: 64% (63 mg). ¹H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.45 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (br, 2H), 7.66 (q, J = 4.0 Hz, 2H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 4H), 7.07–6.98 (m, 3H), 6.80 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.65 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H).  $^{13}$ C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 146.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 3.8 Hz), 142.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 12.5 Hz), 128.6 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 7.7 Hz), 123.9, 121.3, 119.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 180.4 Hz), 113.4.  $^{31}$ P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 15.00. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + Na]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{20}H_{17}N_2NaOPS_2$  419.0418; Found 419.0415.

*N,N',P-Triphenyl-P-(p-tolyl)phosphinic Hydrazide* (*3ak*). White solid. mp: 200–202 °C. Yield: 90% (89 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.46 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.46–7.38 (m, SH), 7.25 (br, 2H), 7.13 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 100 Hz): δ 147.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 1.1 Hz), 143.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 11.9 Hz), 131.8 (m), 128.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 14.3 Hz), 123.1, 120.8, 118.9, 112.9, 21.00. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_{6}$ , 162 MHz): δ 28.75. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{25}H_{24}N_2$ OP 399.1626; Found 399.1634.

*P*-(*4*-Methoxyphenyl)-N,N',P-triphenylphosphinic Hydrazide (*3al*). White solid. mp: 176–178 °C. Yield: 93% (96 mg). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 400 MHz): δ 8.45 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81–7.71 (m, SH), 7.39 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 7.16–7.10 (m, 2H), 7.01 (t, J = 8.4 Hz, 4H), 6.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 6.60 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 100 Hz): δ 162.3, 147.2 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 0.9 Hz), 133.8 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 29.8 Hz), 131.5 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 50.0 Hz), 128.4 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 15.9 Hz), 123.1, 121.9 (d,  $J_{C-P}$  = 129.5 Hz), 120.7, 118.8, 114.6, 112.9, 55.2. <sup>31</sup>P NMR (DMSO- $d_6$ , 162 MHz): δ 29.51. HRMS (ESI-TOF) m/z: [M + H]<sup>+</sup> Calcd for  $C_{25}H_{24}N_2O_2P$  415.1575; Found 415.1565.

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