Table II. Deuterium Incorporation^a

solvent	D	D'	Α	5-d ₁ , ^b %
CH ₃ CN	1a	2b-d, c	3a	20
CH ₃ CN	1a	2b-d ^{^d}	3a	30
CH ₃ CN	1 a	2b-d ^d	3b	30
CD ₃ CN	la	2b .	3a	30
CD ₃ CN	1 a	2b - d, d	3a	65
CH ₃ CN-CH ₃ OD (9:1)	la	2b [`]	3a	94

^a Deaerated solutions, [1a] = 0.16 M, $[2b] = [2bd_1] = 0.6$ M, [3a] = 0.04 M. ^b Irradiated to 80-90% conversion at 313 nm. Crude products 5 and 5 d_1 were analyzed for deuterium content by 100-MHz NMR spectroscopy. ^c Deuterium content of 2b d_1 is 67%. d Deuterium content of 2b-d, is 93%.

1,1-diphenyl-2-methoxyethane was produced.^{2b} No photoreaction occurred in nonpolar solvents such as benzene or cyclohexane even in the presence of 3a.

The maximum quantum yield for the formation of 5([2b] =0.1 M) was 0.13 ± 0.01 at 313 nm. Plot of the reciprocal quantum vield for the formation of 5 vs. concentration of 2b (Stern-Volmer plot) displayed the curved line (Figure 1), suggesting that at the higher concentrations, 2b acts as a quencher of this photoaddition. The formation of 5 was also quenched by the addition of 2e,g, and 1,4-dimethoxybenzene which have lower oxidation potentials than 1a.13

On the basis of these results, we propose the mechanism involving heterodimer cation radical (DD'+•) (Scheme II). The first step is the photoinduced electron transfer from an electron-donating aromatic olefin (1a) to an excited electron acceptor (3a) to form the cation radical $(1a^+)$ and the anion radical $(3a^-)$. Negative ΔG value (-6.3 kcal/mol) estimated from Weller's equation¹⁴ and a near diffusion controlled rate $(1.6 \times 10^{10} \text{ s}^{-1} \text{ M}^{-1})$ for the fluorescence quenching of 3a by 1a in acetonitrile ensure the efficient photoinduced electron transfer. If the cation radical $2b^+$ is formed, it would be quenched without formation of a crossed adduct; the nucleophilic reactivity of 1a is too low to react with $2b^+$; hence $2b^+$ is quenched by a back electron transfer from 3a-.15

The second step is the formation of heterodimer cation radical (DD'^{+}) . The third step is the back electron transfer from $3a^{-}$. to DD'+, giving crossed adducts DD' and 3a. A support for the intermediacy of DD'+. was obtained from the results of the photoreaction of 1a and 2-methylfuran-5-d (2b- d_1) in the presence of 3a. The results suggest that the cation radical X and the biradical intermediate Y are involved in this reaction. The NMR analyses of the products indicated that the α position of diphenylethyl group in 5 is selectively deuterated (Table II and Scheme II). The deuteration is achieved via a 1,3-hydrogen shift from the 5 position of the furan ring to the α position of the diphenylethyl group in Y. The efficient deuteration of 5 occurred in the photoreaction of 1a and 2b in acetonitrile containing 10% methanol-O-d, probably through the intermediate Z.

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Pentamethylcyclopentadienyl-Substituted Phosphorus and Arsenic Cations: Evidence for Multihapto Bonding between Group 5A Elements and Carbocyclic Ligands

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Cyclopentadienyl- and pentamethylcyclopentadienyl-substituted cations of the group 5A elements, $(R_5C_5)_2E^+$, E = P, As, Sb, Bi; R = H, Me, are isoelectronic with the corresponding neutral compounds of the group 4A elements, viz., $(R_5C_5)_2M$, M = Si, Ge, Sn, Pb. Since $(R_5C_5)_2Sn$,¹ $(R_5C_5)_2Pb$,² and $(Me_5C_5)_2Ge^3$ feature pentahapto bonding of the cyclopentadienyl ligands, it seemed possible that the group 5A cations might also exhibit multihapto bonding.

Treatment of $(Me_5C_5)ECl_2$, E = P, As_4^4 with Me_3SiNMe_2 affords $(Me_5C_5)(Me_2N)PCl(1)$ and $(Me_5C_5)(Me_2N)AsCl(2)$. Compound 1 was characterized by elemental analysis, mass spectroscopy (parent peak, m/e 245), and NMR spectroscopy. ¹H NMR (60 MHz) Me₂N (d, δ 2.58 J_{PNCH} = 11.3 Hz), Me₅C₅ (br s, δ 1.9); ¹³C {¹H} NMR (20.0 MHz) (Me₄Si) Me₂N (d, δ 41.51, $J_{PNC} = 17.5 \text{ Hz}$, C_5Me_5 (s, $\delta 11.8$), C_5Me_5 (br, $\delta 138.6$); ³¹P {¹H} NMR (36.43 MHz) (s, $\delta 144.8$).⁵ The Me₅C₅ ring of 1 is bonded in the monohapto manner, since on cooling to -40°C, the 200-MHz ¹H NMR spectrum of the pentamethylcyclopentadienyl methyl protons exhibits three resonances: Me_a (d, 3 H, δ 1.37, $J_{PCCH_{a}} = 6.65$ Hz), Me_b (d, 6 H, δ 1.77, $J_{PCCCH_{b}} = 6.3$ Hz), Me_c (s, 6 H, δ 1.83). Compound 2 is not stable at



ambient temperature, thus precluding elemental analysis. It was characterized by NMR and mass spectroscopy: ¹H NMR (200 MHz) Me₂N (s, 6 H, δ 2.75), Me₅C₅ (s, 15 H, δ 1.84); ¹³C {¹H} NMR (20.0 MHz) (Me₄Si) Me₂N (s, δ 42.45), Me₅C₅ (s, δ 11.59), Me_5C_5 (s, δ 125.16).

Treatment of 1 with a stoichiometric quantity of Al_2Cl_6 in CH₂Cl₂ solution at -78 °C, followed by warming to room temperature, affords a red-brown solution. The presence of the AlCl₄ anion as the sole aluminum-containing species was evidenced by the presence of a sharp singlet $(w_h \sim 9 \text{ Hz}, \delta 103)^6$ in the ²⁷Al NMR, thus indicating the formation of the phosphenium ion $[(Me_5C_5)(Me_2N)P]^+$ (3). ¹H NMR (60.0 MHz) Me₂N (d, 6 H, δ 3.18, J_{PNCH} = 9.1 Hz), C₅Me₅ (d, 15 H, δ 2.14, J_{PCCH} = 2.6

⁽¹³⁾ The oxidation potential of 1,4-dimethoxybenzene vs. Ag/Ag^+ in acetonitrile using a Pt electrode is 0.95 V. The photoreaction of the 1a (0.05 M)-2b (0.1 M)-3a (0.05 M) system was completely quenched by the addition of 1,4-dimethoxybenzene (0.1 M).

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Treatment of 2 with Al_2Cl_6 in CH_2Cl_2 solution results in the arsenium salt $[(Me_5C_5)(Me_2N)As]^+[AlCl_4]^-(4).^{9-1}H NMR (200 MHz) Me_2N (s, <math>\delta$ 3.32) Me_5C_5 (s, δ 2.17); ¹³C {¹H} NMR (20.0 MHz) (Me₄Si) Me₂N (s, δ 38.14), Me₅C₅ (s, δ 10.98), Me₅C₅ (s, δ 126.88); ²⁷Al NMR (s, 103.5 ppm, $w_h \sim 14$ Hz). The ¹H and ¹³C chemical shift equivalence of the Me₅C₅ ring persisted to -80 °C.

The foregoing NMR observations on cations 3 and 4 are consistent with a static pentahapto structure (5) or with tri- and dihapto structures with low barriers to migration such as 6 and 7, respectively. Structure 6 is analogous to phosphonium or



arsonium ions, while 7 is, in essence, a phosphiran or arsiran stabilized by allyl cation attachment.¹⁰ MNDO calculations¹¹ on $[(Me_5C_5)(Me_2N)P]^+$ reveal the following: (i) the global minimum is 7, (ii) 5 and 6 do not correspond to minima,¹² and (iii) the barrier to circumannular migration of the Me₂NP moiety in 7 via an η^1 intermediate is very low (<2 kcal/mol).¹³

The reaction of (Me₅C₅)PCl₂ with C₅H₅Li results in many products; however, the reaction of (Me₅C₅)AsCl₂ with C₅H₅Li proceeds cleanly and results in $(Me_5C_5)(C_5H_5)AsCl(8)$. ¹H NMR

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(13) The low barrier for ring migration is estimated from a detailed calculation on the model compound $[(C_3H_3)(Me_2N)P]^+$. Justification for this extrapolation is found in the close agreement of the calculated energy differences for 5 and 7 and the analogous unpermethylated structures

(60 MHz) Me₅C₅ (s, 15 H, δ 1.73), C₅H₅ (s, 5 H, δ 5.74); ¹³C {¹H} NMR (20.0 MHz) (Me₄Si) Me₅C₅ (s, δ 132.6), Me₅C₅ (s, δ 12.37), C_5H_5 (br, δ 124.03). Treatment of **8** with a stoichio-metric quantity of Al₂Cl₆ in CH₂Cl₂ results in the arsenium salt [(Me₅C₅)(C₅H₅)As]⁺[AlCl₄]⁻ (**9**).⁹ ¹H NMR (200 MHz) Me₅C₅ (s, 15 H, δ 2.17), C₅H₅ (s, 5 H, δ 6.72); ¹³C {¹H} NMR (20.0 MHz) (Me₄Si) Me₅C₅ (s, δ 130.9), Me₅C₅ (s, δ 10.46), C₅H₅ (s, δ 119.8); ²⁷Al NMR (s, δ 103.5, $w_h \sim 14$ Hz). The chemical shift equivalence in both cyclopentadienyl rings persists to -80 °C, and MNDO calculations on the model compound $(C_5H_5)_2P^+$ indicate that the bis(pentahapto) structure represents a global minimum which is 16 kcal/mol more stable than the bis(monohapto) structure. We therefore suggest the following structure for 9.



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Isomerization of Silene to Ketene in the Photolysis of Pentamethyldisilanyldiazoacetate

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We have recently presented evidence for the formation of a silene intermediate in the decomposition of ethyl (trimethyl-silyl)diazoacetate.¹ The major question remaining is the source of alkoxysilylketene 2 in the gas-phase decomposition of the silyldiazoacetate.^{2,3} The Wolff rearrangement may have a radical



or even ionic component. As an alkoxy group migrates to an adjacent position on its way to ketene 3, it finds itself in the neighborhood of a silicon atom and adds with or without simultaneous migration of a methyl group to give the ketene 2.

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