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## DYNAMIC STEREOCHEMISTRY OF PHOSPHAALKENES

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The degenerative Z,E-isomerization at the P=C bond in phosphaalkenes I and II has been studied by dynamic NMR spectroscopy. The complete bandshape analysis was used to evaluate the activation parameters for intramolecular dynamic process.

A I: 
$$R^1 = R^2 = Me_3Si$$
;  $X = Me_2N$ ,  $i-Pr_2N$ ,  $N$ ,  $t-Bu_2N$  II:  $R^1$ ,  $R^2 = Me_2N$ ,  $Et_2N$ ;  $X = H$ ,  $t-Bu_2P$ ,  $Me_3Si$ 

The following activation parameters were found for bis(trimethylsily1)-substituted phosphaalkenes:  $\Delta H^{\neq} = 59.9 \div 96.3 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ ;  $\Delta S^{\neq} = -46.5 \div 17.5 \text{ J} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ ;  $\Delta G_{303}^{\neq} = 66.6 \div 103.1 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ . The linear dependence of the free energy of activation ( $\Delta G^{\neq}$ ) on the chemical shift of the sp<sup>2</sup>-hybridized carbon atom in these compounds indicates that the exchange A $\rightleftharpoons$ B occurs by the rotation mechanism ( $\Delta G_{303}^{\neq} = 0.46\delta^{13}\text{C} + 11 \text{ kJ} \cdot \text{mol}^{-1}$ ).

Replacement of electrone-withdrawing Me<sub>3</sub>Si-groups by electrone-releasing Alk<sub>2</sub>N-groups leads to the reversed P=C bond polarity, but it does not influence the mechanism of degenerative Z,E-isomerization. Activation parameters of intramolecular exchange process in bis(dialkylamino)-methylenephosphines are listed below:  $\Delta H^{\neq} = 53.6 \div 73.7$  kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>;  $\Delta S^{\neq} = -20.1 \div 44.4$  J·mol<sup>-1</sup>K<sup>-1</sup>;  $\Delta G^{\neq}_{303} = 64.5 \div 80.8$  kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> (  $G^{\neq} < 40$  kJ·mol<sup>-1</sup> for X = Me<sub>3</sub>Si).

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