

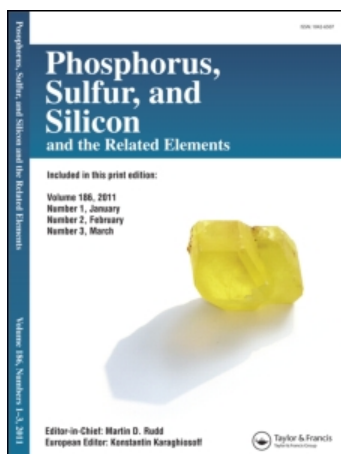
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MIXED CHLORO BIS[ALKYLENEDITHIOPHOSPHATO] ANTIMONY(III) AND THEIR HETEROBINUCLEAR DERIVATIVES WITH BORON TETRAISOPROPOXIDE: SYNTHESIS AND CHARACTERIZATION

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*Chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) complexes of the type $[\overline{OGOP}(S)_2SbCl(1-5)]$ [where $G = -C(Me)_2-CH_2-CH(Me)-\{1\}$, $-C(Me)_2-C(Me)_2-\{2\}$, $-CH_2-C(Me)_2-CH_2-\{3\}$, $-CH(Me)-CH(Me)-\{4\}$ and $-CH(Me)-CH_2-CH_2-\{5\}$] have been synthesized by the reaction of $SbCl_3$ with sodium salts of alkylenedithiophosphoric acids in a 1:2 molar ratio in refluxing benzene. Reactions of chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) compounds, $[\overline{OGOP}(S)_2SbCl]$ with sodium tetraisopropoxoborate, $NaB(OPr^i)_4$, in a 1:1 molar ratio in refluxing benzene yielded some new heterobinuclear derivatives of antimony(III) and boron(III) of the type $[\overline{OGOP}(S)_2Sb(\mu-OPr^i)_2B(OPr^i)_2]$. These newly synthesized complexes have been characterized by elemental analysis and molecular weight measurement, and their plausible structures have been proposed on the basis of IR, NMR (1H , ^{13}C , ^{31}P , ^{11}B), and FAB-mass spectral studies. On the basis of the spectroscopic evidence, a pseudo octahedral geometry around antimony and tetrahedral geometry around boron atom has been proposed. Cyclic *O,O'*-alkylenedithiophosphate ligands and their corresponding chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) compounds have been screened for microbial activities. These compounds showed significant antifungal activity against *Fusarium* and *Trichoderma* and antibacterial activity against *E. Coli* and *Pseudomonas*.*

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INTRODUCTION

Organocompounds of antimony find extensive applications in chemotherapy,^{1–3} as these compounds exhibit significant antimicrobial,¹ antiparasitic,² and antitumor³ activities. The biological toxicity of these derivatives is much less than those of Pt and Pd anticancer

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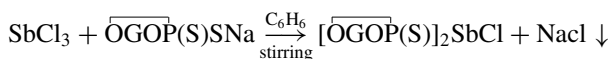
substances.⁴ A large number of antimony compounds have also been tested as bactericides,⁵ fungicides,⁶ and antifertility agents.⁷

Cyclic O,O'-alkylenedithiophosphates of transition metals have been extensively studied,⁸⁻¹⁰ and the studies have also been extended to the derivatives of nontransition metals, including organoantimony(III) moieties.¹¹⁻¹⁷ Metal derivatives of antimony(III) containing alkylenedithiophosphates also exhibit significant antimicrobial activities.^{16,17} Although chloro bis(dialkyldithiophosphates) antimony(III) [(RO)₂P(S)S]₂SbCl^{18,19} [where R = Et, Prⁱ, Prⁿ and Buⁿ] and only one compound of chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphates) antimony(III) [$\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}$]₂SbCl¹² [where G = -CH(CH₃)-CH(CH₃)-] have been reported, heterobinuclear compounds of antimony containing alkylenedithiophosphates have not been reported to date.

In this article, we report the synthesis and characterization of some chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphates) and heterobinuclear derivatives of antimony(III) and boron(III) containing alkylenedithiophosphate ligands. A comparative study of the antimicrobial activity of the ligands and corresponding chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato) antimony(III) derivatives is also reported.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) derivatives [$\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}$]₂SbCl (**1-5**) have been synthesized by the reaction of SbCl₃ with sodium salts of alkylenedithiophosphoric acids in 1:2 molar ratio in refluxing benzene.



[Where G = -C(Me)₂ - CH₂ - CH(Me) - {1}, -C(Me)₂ - C(Me)₂ - {2},
-CH₂ - C(Me)₂ - CH₂ - {3}, -CH(Me) - CH(Me) - {4} and -CH(Me)
-CH₂ - CH₂ - {5}]

All these derivatives are found to be yellowish colored solids or viscous liquids, soluble in common organic solvents and monomeric in freezing benzene solution.

Heterobinuclear derivatives of antimony (III) [$\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}$]₂Sb(μ-OPrⁱ)₂B(OPrⁱ)₂ (**1a-5a**) were prepared by the reaction of sodium tetrakispropoxoborate, NaB(OPrⁱ)₄, with chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) compounds [$\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}$]₂SbCl (**1-5**) in 1:1 molar ratio in refluxing benzene under anhydrous conditions.



All these derivatives (**1a-5a**) are found to be yellowish colored solids or viscous liquids, moisture-sensitive soluble in common organic solvents and monomeric in freezing benzene solution.

Infrared Spectra

The IR spectra of these compounds have been recorded in the range 4000–400 cm^{-1} . The bands in the regions 950–1050 cm^{-1} and 800–890 cm^{-1} may be assigned to $\nu(\text{P})\text{O}-\text{C}$ and $\nu\text{P}-\text{O}(\text{C})$ stretching vibrations,^{20,21} respectively, and other strong bands in the region 950–965 cm^{-1} may be assigned to dioxaphospholane and dioxaphosphorinane ring vibrations.^{22,23} A strong band in the region 620–680 cm^{-1} may be assigned to $\nu\text{P}=\text{S}$ stretching vibrations,²⁴ and the bands of medium intensity present in the region 510–625 cm^{-1} may be due to asymmetric and symmetric $\nu\text{P}-\text{S}$ stretching vibrations.²¹ Some additional bands have also been observed in the region 1010–1050 cm^{-1} and 1250–1460 cm^{-1} due to $\nu(\text{Sb})\text{O}-\text{C}$ ²⁵ and $\nu\text{B}-\text{O}$ ²⁶ stretching vibrations, respectively. The $\nu\text{Sb}-\text{O}(\text{C})$ ²⁷ stretching vibrations appeared in the region 540–575 cm^{-1} . $\nu\text{Sb}-\text{S}$ and $\nu\text{Sb}-\text{Cl}$ could not be observed, as the spectra have been recorded in the range 4000–400 cm^{-1} .

¹H NMR Spectra

The ¹H NMR spectral data of these complexes are summarized in Table I. The proton resonances due to all alkylene protons of the (OGO) group attached to P atom have been observed at their expected positions without any appreciable shift in their position as compared to their position in the spectra of the corresponding ligand. In addition to these signals, the spectra of heterobinuclear compounds also exhibit two sets of signals for terminal and bridging isopropoxy groups in the regions δ 1.13–1.39, δ 1.26–1.41 ppm (doublets) due to methyl proton [$\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$] and δ 3.68–4.79, δ 4.09–4.98 ppm (multiplets) [$\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2$] due to methine proton, respectively.

¹³C NMR Spectra

¹³C NMR chemical shifts of these compounds have been summarized in Table I. ¹³C NMR spectra of heterobinuclear derivatives (**1a–5a**) and chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) compounds (**1–5**) provide useful information about the mode of bonding in these compounds.

The carbon signals due to all alkylene carbons of the glycol moieties have been observed at their expected position (Table I) without any appreciable shift in their position as compared to their position in the spectra of the corresponding ligands. The spectra of heterobinuclear derivatives exhibit an upfield shift $\sim \delta$ 2–8 ppm in the position of the signals of different alkylene group carbons of alkylenedithiophosphate moieties as compared to their positions in corresponding chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) (**1–5**) compounds. This upfield shift may be due to the fact that the coordination number of the central antimony atom has increased in binuclear compounds.

The signals due to the methyl carbon atoms of the terminal and bridging isopropoxy group appeared at δ 20.67–23.64 and δ 21.52–31.59 ppm, respectively, while the methine ($>\text{CH}-$) carbons of the terminal and the bridging isopropoxy groups appeared in the range δ 73.17–76.92 and δ 75.61–77.43 ppm, respectively, indicating the nonequivalent nature of these groups.

Table I ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{31}P , and ^{11}B NMR spectral data (δ ppm) of new chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato) antimony(III) $[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}]_2\text{SbCl}$ (**1–5**) and heterodinuclear derivatives $[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}]_2\text{Sb}(\mu\text{-OPr}^i)_2\text{B}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ (**1a–5a**)

Compound	^1H NMR chemical shift (δ ppm) (J in Hz)	^{13}C NMR chemical shift (δ ppm)	^{31}P NMR chemical shift (δ ppm)	^{11}B NMR chemical shift (δ ppm)
1	1.48–1.75, m, 22H (CH_3 , CH_2) 4.84–4.91, m, 2H (OCH)	25.31 (CH_3) 29.53 (CH_2) 64.39 (OCH) 128.82 (OC)	78.93	—
1a	1.19, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$; (6.9) 1.34, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$; (6.6) 1.37–1.96, m, 22H (CH_3 , CH_2)dtp 3.68–4.79, m, 2H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\}_t$ 4.81–4.98, merged, 4H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$, (OCH)dtp	22.22 (CH_3)dtp 23.64 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 27.35 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 38.79 (CH_2)dtp 73.17 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_t$ 76.62 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 86.86 (OCH)dtp 128.32 (OC)dtp	82.14	–17.03
2	1.42, s, 24H (CH_3)	23.66 (CH_3) 128.28 (OC)	102.35	—
2a	1.14, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$; (6.2) 1.27, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$; (6.2) 1.39, s, 24H (CH_3)dtp 4.66–4.72, merged, 4H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$, $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$	22.96 (CH_3)dtp 23.16 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 25.48 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 76.92 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 77.36 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 89.46 (OC)dtp	104.72	–16.35
3	1.06, s, 12H (CH_3) 3.97, d, 8H (CH_2); (9.7)	19.31 (CH_3) 30.24 $\{\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}$ 126.33 (OCH ₂)	90.17	—
3a	1.03, s, 12H (CH_3)dtp 1.17, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$; (5.7) 1.37, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$; (6.4) 2.55, d, 8H [OCH ₂]dtp; (21.0) 3.92–4.01, m, 2H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 4.09–4.14, m, 2H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$	20.69 (CH_3)dtp 21.06 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 21.52 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 32.02 $\{\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ dtp 74.05 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 75.61 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 128.36 (OCH ₂)dtp	91.45	–19.54
4	1.45, d, 12H (CH_3); (5.8) 4.23–4.68, m, 4H (OCH)	15.26 (CH_3) 78.40 (OCH)	108.05	—
4a	1.35, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$; (6.4) 1.39, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$; (6.0) 1.47, d, 12H (CH_3)dtp; (6.4) 4.72–4.76, m, 2H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 4.76–4.81, merged, 8H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$, [OCH]dtp	15.41 (CH_3)dtp 22.61 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 23.88 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 78.12 (OCH)dtp 76.14 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 77.09 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$	108.93	–20.41
5	1.40, d, 6H (CH_3); (6.0) 1.79–1.84, m, 4H (CH_2) 2.05–2.18, dt, 4H (OCH ₂) 4.57–4.66, m, 2H (OCH)	22.27 (CH_3) 37.42 (CH_2) 67.63 (OCH ₂) 128.32 (OCH)	89.26	—
5a	1.37, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$; (6.7) 1.40, d, 12H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$; (6.7) 1.45, d, 6H (CH_3)dtp; (10.7) 1.64–1.77, m, 4H (CH_2)dtp 2.03–2.12, dt, 4H (OCH ₂)dtp 4.28–4.42, m, 2H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 4.65–4.86, m, 2H $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 4.57–4.64, m, 2H (OCH)dtp	20.54 (CH_3)dtp 20.67 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 31.59 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 37.42 (CH_2)dtp 65.29 (OCH ₂)dtp 76.56 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_t$ 77.43 $\{\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)_2\}_b$ 126.63 (OCH)dtp	90.27	–21.35

t = terminal, b = bridging, dtp = alkylenedithiophosphate, d = doublet, m = multiplet, dt = doublet of triplet.

³¹P NMR Spectra

The ³¹P NMR spectra exhibit a sharp singlet for the chloro bis(alkylenedithio phosphato)antimony(III) (**1–5**) and heterobinuclear derivatives (**1a–5a**) in the range δ 78.93–108.93 ppm (Table I). A comparative study of ³¹P NMR spectra of chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) (**1–5**) and bimetallic derivatives of antimony (III) (**1a–5a**) with their corresponding ligands show remarkable downfield shift $\sim \delta$ 5–10 ppm of >P(S)S phosphorous atom, indicating the bidentate nature of the ligands (Table II).^{28,29}

¹¹B NMR Spectra

¹¹B NMR spectra also exhibit only one signal in the range δ –16.35 to –21.35 ppm (Table I) for **1a–5a** derivatives. There is a shift of 0.37–4.63 ppm as compared to parent precursor Na[B(OPrⁱ)₄], which exhibits a signal at –16.72 ppm. Appearance of this signal in this range indicates the presence of a tetracoordinated boron atom in these compounds.^{30,31}

FAB-Mass Spectra

The FAB-mass spectrum of one of the heterobinuclear compounds of O,O'-alkylenedithiophosphate derivatives of antimony (III) (**3a**) has been recorded, which shows the monomeric nature of this compound. The mass spectral fragmentation pattern of compound **3a** is summarized in Table S2 (Available online in the supplementary materials).

Structure Elucidation

In view of the above spectral data and the presence of two bidentate alkylenedithiophosphate ligand moieties and one chloro group attached to the antimony atom, the structure shown in Figure 1 may be proposed for these new chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) derivatives (**1–5**) in which the geometry of the central antimony atom is pseudo-octahedral.

In view of the presence of two bidentate alkylenedithiophosphate ligand moieties around the central antimony atom and the presence of two types (terminal and bridging) of isopropoxy groups, the hexacoordination around the central antimony atom and tetracoordination around boron atom in the structure shown in Figure 2 may be tentatively proposed for these new heterobinuclear alkoxide derivatives (**1a–5a**).

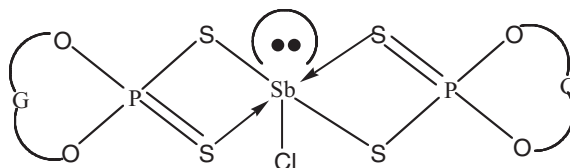


Figure 1 Proposed structure of compounds (**1–5**).

Table II Synthetic, physical, and analytical data of new chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato)antimony(III) derivatives $[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})_2\text{SbCl}(\mathbf{1-5})]$

S. No.	Reactants g (mmol)		NaCl (g) (mmol)	Color/ Physical state (mp) °C	Empirical formula and yield (%)	Mol. Wt. Found (Calc.)	Analysis (%)		
	$[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})_2\text{SbCl}_3]$	$[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})_2\text{Na}]$					Sb Found (Calc.)	S Found (Calc.)	Cl Found (Calc.)
1.	1.62 (3.46)	0.78 (3.42)	0.40 (3.42)	Yellow/sticky solid 70	$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{24}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_4\text{SbCl}$ 93	542.78 (579.75)	20.90 (21.00)	22.01 (22.07)	5.77 (6.11)
2.	1.56 (3.33)	0.76 (3.33)	0.39 (3.34)	Yellow/solid **	$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{24}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_4\text{SbCl}$ 90	541.79 (579.75)	20.93 (21.00)	22.07 (22.07)	5.82 (6.11)
3.	1.59 (3.61)	0.82 (3.59)	0.42 (3.59)	Pale yellow/ viscous liq.	$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{20}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_4\text{SbCl}$ 92	523.66 (551.7)	22.03 (22.07)	23.19 (23.20)	6.38 (6.43)
4*.	1.57 (3.80)	0.87 (3.81)	0.45 (3.85)	Yellow/sticky solid 65	$\text{C}_8\text{H}_{16}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_4\text{SbCl}$ 94	516 (523.65)	23.12 (23.25)	24.45 (24.44)	6.41 (6.77)
5.	1.97 (4.78)	1.09 (4.78)	0.56 (4.79)	White/solid 90	$\text{C}_8\text{H}_{16}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_4\text{SbCl}$ 92	498.62 (523.65)	23.10 (23.25)	24.41 (24.44)	6.41 (6.77)

*Reported earlier.¹²

**Decomposed upon heating at 120°C.

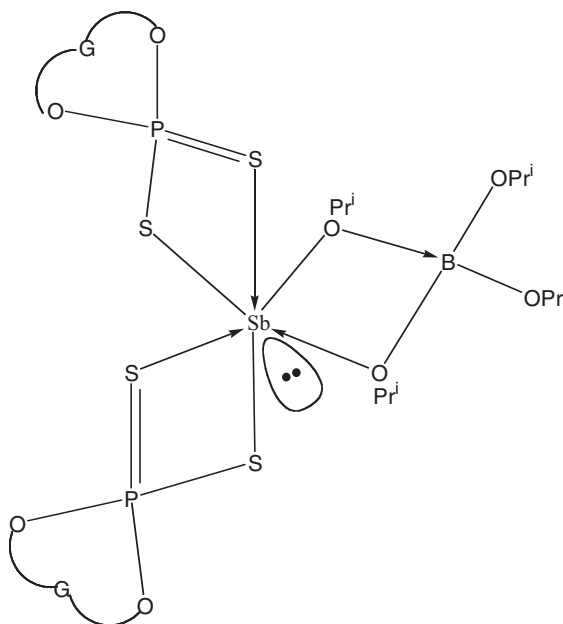


Figure 2 Proposed structure of compounds (1a–5a).

BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY

A summary of the biological activities is given in the Supplemental Materials (available online).

EXPERIMENTAL

All the chemicals used were of reagent grade. All reactions were carried out under anhydrous conditions. Solvents (E. Merck) were carefully dried by standard methods³² before use. Chloro bis(alkylenedithiophosphato) antimony (III), $[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}]_2\text{SbCl}$,¹² and sodium tetraisopropoxoborate, $\text{NaB}(\text{OPr}^i)_4$ ³³ were prepared according to the methods in the literature. Sulfur was estimated by Messenger's method.³⁴ Boron and antimony were determined as methyl borate and by iodometric methods, respectively.³⁵ Isopropoxide was determined by the chromate oxidometric method.³⁶

Molecular weights were determined cryoscopically in freezing benzene solution using a Beckmann's thermometer. The IR spectra were recorded on an 8400S Shimadzu FT-IR spectrophotometer as liquid films on a KBr cell in the range $4000\text{--}400\text{ cm}^{-1}$. ^1H , ^{13}C , ^{31}P , and ^{11}B NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl_3 solution on a JEOL-FT AL 300 MHz spectrometer. TMS was used as an internal reference for ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra, whereas H_3PO_4 and $\text{B}(\text{OCH}_3)_3$ were used as external standards for ^{31}P and ^{11}B NMR spectra, respectively.

Since a similar method has been used for the synthesis of all compounds (1a–5a), the synthetic detail of only one compound has been discussed in detail. Synthetic and analytical data of other compounds have been summarized in Table III.

Table III Synthetic, physical, and analytical data of new heterodinuclear derivatives $[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}]_2\text{Sb}_2(\mu\text{-OPr}^i)_2\text{B}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ (**1a-5a**)

S.No.	Reactants g (m mol)		NaCl (g) (mmol)	Color/ Physical state (mp) °C	Empirical formula and yield (%)	Mol. Wt. Found (Calc.)	Analysis (%)					
	$[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}]_2\text{SbCl}$	$\text{NaB}(\text{OPr}^i)_4$					Sb Found (Calc.)	S Found (Calc.)	B Found (Calc.)	OPr ⁱ Found (Calc.)		
1a	1.46 (2.52)	0.68 (2.52)	0.15 (2.57)	Pale yellow/ Viscous liq.	$\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{52}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_8\text{SbB}$ 92.5	748 (791.36)	15.33 (15.38)	16.16 (16.20)	1.29 (1.36)	29.83 (29.86)		
2a	1.50 (2.59)	0.70 (2.59)	0.15 (2.57)	Pale yellow/ Viscous liq.	$\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{52}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_8\text{SbB}$ 90.9	740 (791.36)	15.32 (15.38)	16.16 (16.20)	1.28 (1.36)	29.43 (29.86)		
3a	1.80 (3.26)	0.88 (3.26)	0.19 (3.25)	Pale yellow/ solid	$\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{48}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_8\text{SbB}$ 90	747 (763.31)	15.84 (15.95)	16.76 (16.80)	1.32 (1.41)	30.50 (30.95)		
4a	1.76 (3.36)	0.91 (3.37)	0.20 (3.42)	Creamish / solid	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{44}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_8\text{SbB}$ 89.2	735 (735.26)	16.41 (16.56)	17.40 (17.44)	1.35 (1.47)	31.92 (32.14)		
5a	1.78 (3.40)	0.92 (3.40)	0.20 (3.42)	Creamish / solid	$\text{C}_{20}\text{H}_{44}\text{P}_2\text{S}_4\text{O}_8\text{SbB}$ 92	735 (735.26)	16.41 (16.56)	17.40 (17.44)	1.41 (1.47)	32.10 (32.14)		

Synthesis of Heterobinuclear Derivatives 3a

Freshly prepared sodium tetrakisopropoxoborate, $\text{NaB}(\text{OPr}^i)_4$ (0.88 g, 3.25 mmol), was added to a benzene solution (~ 40 mL) of $[\overline{\text{OGOP}}(\text{S})\text{S}]_2\text{SbCl}$ (**3**) [Where $\text{G} = -\text{CH}_2-\text{C}(\text{Me})_2-\text{CH}_2-(3)$] (1.80 g, 3.26 mmol), and the reaction mixture was refluxed with stirring for ~ 5 h. The precipitated NaCl (0.19 g, 3.25 mmol) was removed by filtration, and the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. A pale yellow solid compound was obtained in quantitative yield (92%), derivative **3a**, which was purified by recrystallization from a 1:2 mixture of benzene and n-hexane. The pure compound was obtained in quantitative yield (90%).

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