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SHORT COMMUNICATION

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The present paper gives a description of *N*-phosphorylated 1,2-azaphosphetidines (**4**, **5**) for the first time.

Interaction between 2-bromoethylamine hydrobromide **1**, dialkylchlorophosphite **2** and triethylamine under mild conditions results, probably, in 2-bromoethylamino-*N,N*-bis(dialkoxyphosphite) **3**, which undergoes thermolysis and yields **4**.^{1,2}

The compounds **4a–4c** are colorless, clear liquids, distillable in vacuo and easily soluble almost in all inert organic solvents. Their structure is confirmed by microanalysis, molecular weight determination, IR and ³¹P-NMR spectroscopic data.

Analytical data and some physical properties of the compound **4** are presented in Table 1. Table 2 lists some spectroscopic parameters of the compounds **4a–4c**. The IR spectra of the compounds **4a–4c** show strong absorption at 1260–1250 cm⁻¹, 1040–1030 cm⁻¹, which is characteristic for the P=O bond and the P—O-Alk

TABLE 1
Physical properties and analytical data

Reaction Product No.	Alk	Yield ^a %	B.p. °C (torr)	Formula	Found (%)			Calc. (%)		
					C	H	N	C	H	N
4a	Et	32	93–94(0.06)	C ₈ H ₁₉ NO ₄ P ₂	37.84	7.63	5.40	37.65	7.50	5.49
4b	i-Pr	34	84–85(0.03)	C ₁₁ H ₂₅ NO ₄ P ₂	44.73	8.34	4.57	44.43	8.48	4.71
4c	n-Bu	31	137–138(0.05)	C ₁₄ H ₃₁ NO ₄ P ₂	49.68	9.13	4.58	49.56	9.21	4.13

^aYield of product, isolated by double distillation.

TABLE 2
Spectroscopic data

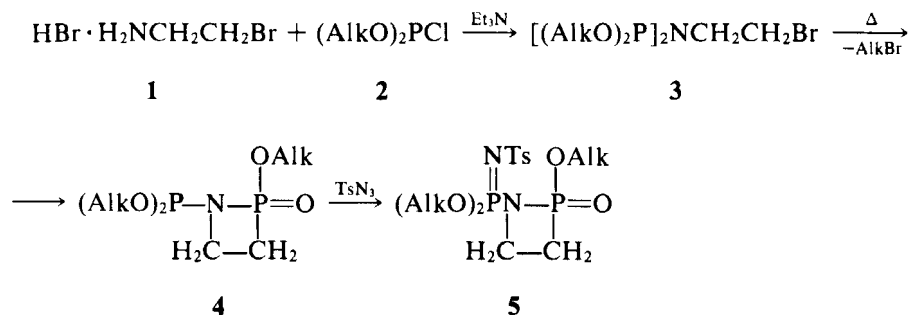
Compd.	³¹ P NMR ^a		Mol. Wt. (MS)		IR (film) P=O	max cm ^{-1c} P—O-Alk
	(ppm) ^b	(PNP)/Hz	Found	Calc.		
4a	20.36; 126.98	30	255	255.18	1260–1250	1040–1030
4b	21.97; 126.8	38	297	297.28	1260–1250	1040–1030
4c	22.87; 127.6	26	339	339.36	1260–1250	1040–1030

^aPhosphorus chemical shifts were measured on TESLA BS 487 B Spectrometer at 30 MHz relative to 85% H₃PO₄ as external standard.

^bAll values refer to pure liquids.

^cInfrared spectra were obtained on SPECORD 75 IR spectrophotometer (C. Zeiss).

group, respectively.³ Each compound **4a–4c** shows two signals in the ³¹P-NMR spectrum one between 22.87 to 20.36 ppm, this being characteristic of four-coordinated phosphorus centers, and the other between 127.6 to 126.98 ppm characteristic of three-coordinated phosphorus centers.⁴ Intensive molecular ion peaks corresponding to the molecular mass of monomer are observed in the mass spectra of the compounds **4a–4c**.



The exocyclic dialkoxyphosphite group reacts easily with tosyl azide; resulting in oxidative imination and P=N bond formation.

EXPERIMENTAL

0.1 Mol **1** was treated with 0.2 mol **2** and 0.3 mol Et₃N in a mixture of anhydrous benzene and chloroform (2:1) at 2–4°C. The mixture was stirred for 2 hours at 20°C, triethylamine hydrochloride and hydrobromide were filtered. Then the solvents were evaporated (in vacuo), and the residue was distilled under reduced pressure.

The solution of TsN₃ (0.1 mol) in anhydrous ether was added dropwise to the solution of **4a** (0.1 mol) in anhydrous ether at 20°C. The mixture produced compound **5** on standing for five hours at 20°C. Yellow mass (80%) from benzene-petroleum ether mixture (boiling p. 40–70°C), m.p. 57–59°C. Anal. Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₆N₂O₈P₂S: C, 42.46; H, 6.18; S, 7.55. Found: C, 42.44; H, 6.12; S, 7.52. IR spectrum: bonds at 1280–1270 cm⁻¹ (P=N), 1240 cm⁻¹ (P=O), 2900, 2950 cm⁻¹ (C—H), 1040–1030 cm⁻¹ (P—O—Alk). ³¹P-NMR spectrum (ref. H₃PO₄): 25.5 ppm; –5.57 ppm.

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