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ABBREVIATIONS

Me	methyl
Et	ethyl
Pr	propyl
Bu	butyl
Cy	cyclohexyl
Ph	phenyl
Bz	benzyl
Ar	aryl
Mes	mesityl, 2,4,6-Me ₃ C ₆ H ₂ -
phen	1,10-phenanthroline
bipy	2,2'-bipyridyl
Ln	lanthanide
THF	tetrahydrofuran
Py	pyridine
Ac	acetyl
DMSO	dimethylsulphoxide, Me ₂ SO
DMF	dimethylformamide, HC(O)NMe ₂
DMA	dimethylacetamide, MeC(O)NMe ₂
quin	quinoline

DABCO	diazabicyclooctane, $N(CH_2CH_2)_3N$
TMED	tetramethylethylenediamine, $Me_2NCH_2CH_2NMe_2$
DPED	diphenylethylenediamine, $PhHNCH_2CH_2NPh$
en	ethylenediamine, $H_2NCH_2CH_2NH_2$
ApesS	$Ph_2AsCH_2CH_2P(=S)Ph_2$
terpy	terpyridyl
datau	1,11-diamino-3,6,9-triazaundecane, $HN(CH_2CH_2NHCH_2CH_2NH_2)_2$
urotr	urotropine, hexamethylenetetramine, $(CH_2)_6N_4$
ment	menthyl
biph	biphenyl
binaph	binaphthyl

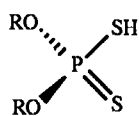
A. INTRODUCTION

Organodithio-derivatives of phosphorus have important industrial and agricultural applications, e.g. additives to lubricant oils, solvent extraction reagents for metals, flotation agents for mineral ores, insecticides and pesticides, to name only the major ones. The understanding of the chemistry of their metal derivatives is important in relation with these uses. Pure academic interest is also great, since the broad diversity of compositions and structures of metal compounds of dithiophosphorus ligands illustrates the richness of metal-sulphur bonding interaction modalities and also may serve as models for biological metal-sulphur interactions.

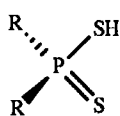
An up-to-date review of the subject is highly desirable, since the last comprehensive surveys covering phosphorodithioates¹ and phosphinodithioates² were published many years ago, and more recent ones cover only particular aspects of the field: main group derivatives,³ tin derivatives.^{4,5} The diversity of coordination patterns was reviewed⁶ in 1981; since then many new structures have been determined and even new coordination modes have been discovered.

The continuous interest towards dithiophosphorus ligand metal compounds produced a large volume of literature and a comprehensive coverage, including synthesis, spectroscopic characterization and uses, would require a whole book. Therefore, we will limit ourselves to a discussion of only structural aspects, as an expansion of the earlier review.⁶ Much of the preparative chemistry and spectroscopic information is covered in the references cited here and the reader will have thus a door open to the aspects not discussed in this review. The emphasis will be on the dithiophosphorus ligands, rather than the metal coordination centres, but these will not be completely ignored.

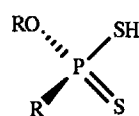
The ligands to be dealt with in this review are mostly mononegative anions of monoprotic acids of the following general types, known under the names shown:



phosphorodithioic acid*
dithiophosphoric acid
(*O,O'*diesters)

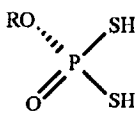


phosphinodithioic acid*
dithiophosphinic acid

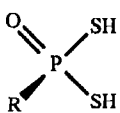


phosphonodithioic acid
dithiophosphonic acid
(*O*-esters)

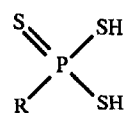
Di- and trithiophosphorus ligands derived from diprotic acids as dinegative anions are also possible but few examples of metal complexes or organometallic derivatives are known.



phosphorodithioic acid*
dithiophosphoric acid
(*O*-diester)



phosphonodithioic acid*
dithiophosphonic acid



phosphonotrithioic acid
trithiophosphonic acid

* *Chemical Abstracts* nomenclature.

Still less important, so far, are the related ligands derived from fluorophosphonodithioic acids (fluorodithiophosphonic acids) $R(F)P(S)SH$, dihalogenodithiophosphoric acids $X_2P(S)SH$ ($X = F, Cl, Br$), or amidophosphonodithioic acids $R(R'R''N)P(S)SH$, and other similar compounds.

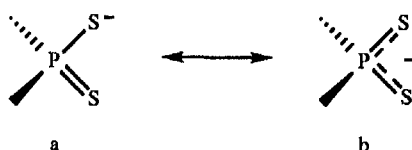
This review covers the literature available up to September 1994. The first part will deal with phosphorodithioates (dithiophosphates), and phosphinodithioates, phosphonodithioates and other related complexes (much less investigated) will be treated in Part II. This will also contain the concluding remarks for the whole review. The chapters and subchapters, tables, formulae and literature references will be numbered consecutively, the second part continuing the numbering from Part I.

Our aim was to provide a comprehensive review of the molecular and crystal structure of phosphor-1,1-dithiolato and related complexes, to stress the broad structural diversity and to reveal gaps where new research is possible or needed. We hope that the readers will find new ideas for the synthesis and/or structural investigations of this type of compound. Although it cannot be said that phosphor-1,1-dithiolato ligands were neglected, their versatility has not been fully exploited and can offer a field of fruitful future investigations.

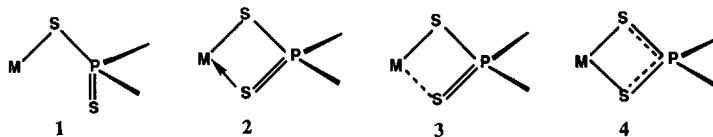
All compounds are numbered in the text and can be found under the same numbers in Tables. Not all structures are graphically illustrated, and this explains the apparent discontinuity in illustrations, but the numbers corresponding to missing structure diagrams can be located in the Tables. The Tables contain much unpublished or difficultly available material from Chinese journals, not listed even in the Cambridge Crystallographic Centre Data Base, and is made available here for the first time. These data were collected from the original publications or were calculated for this review by the Chinese colleagues.

B. COORDINATION PATTERNS

The deprotonation of the acids listed above produces anions which can be described by two resonance structures:



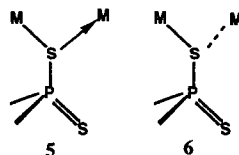
Either one of them can predominate in certain cases. Thus, soft metals tend to interact with hybrid **a** to form primary, covalent metal–sulphur bonds. In these cases the second phosphorus–sulphur bond does not participate in any interaction with the metal (monodentate coordination, pattern **1**) and retains double bond character, or may participate in a dative bond (pattern **2**) or secondary interaction (pattern **3**) with the metal (anisobidentate coordination). This second metal–sulphur connection may affect to a certain extent the double bond character of the $P=S$ bond. In the anisobidentate coordination pattern **2** the dative $S-M$ bond length is of the same order of magnitude, but somewhat larger than the covalent $M-S$ bond. The distinction between the two-electron covalent bond and two-electron dative bond is useful and its rationale has been recently discussed.⁷



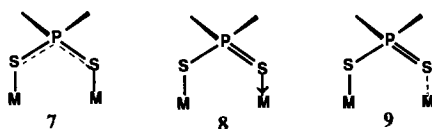
In the anisobidentate coordination pattern **3** there is an $M \dots S$ “secondary interaction”, reflected in an interatomic distance intermediate between the sum of covalent radii of M and S , and the sum of van der Waals radii of the same metal atoms.⁸ It can also be described as “semibonding interaction”. These interactions can cover a broad range of $M \dots S$ interatomic distances in this range and sometimes are difficult to recognize, because the van der Waals radii are not very exactly defined.⁹

Hard metals seem to prefer the hybrid **b** and display metal–ligand interactions with a more pronounced ionic character, leading to isobidentate coordination (pattern **4**), in which the metal–sulphur bonds are roughly equal in strength (reflected in equal or nearly equal bond lengths). In this case the phosphorus–sulphur bonds are also equalized (or nearly so), corresponding to a delocalization of the negative charge over the S–P–S fragment. However, it should be mentioned that even in alkali metal or other salts the discrete anionic dithiophosphorus ligand is not always totally symmetric, as shown by significantly different P–S bond lengths, measured by X-ray diffraction in the solid state. This may be due to crystal packing effects, especially when the two sulphur atoms do not occupy equivalent positions due to the cation.

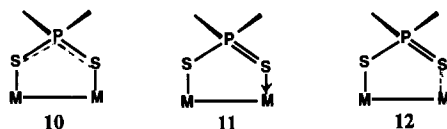
In all cases cited the ligand is attached to only one metal atom and these coordination patterns are called *monometallic monoconnective* or *biconnective*, according to the number of metal–ligand interactions. Quite often this does not exhaust the donor ability of the ligand, and a second metal atom can become involved. Thus, dithiophosphorus ligands may bridge two metal atoms in various ways. The simplest, but rare (see Section F.15) is bridging through one sulphur connecting two metal atoms. In this type of coordination one sulphur atom forms a primary bond to a metal atom, a dative (pattern **5**) or a secondary (pattern **6**) bond to another metal atom and leaves the second sulphur independent (non-involved), doubly-bonded to phosphorus.



Much more frequent is *biconnective bridging* through both sulphur atoms. Again, several variations can be distinguished. Thus, the bridging ligand may be symmetric, with equal (or nearly equal) P–S and M–S bonds (pattern **7**) or asymmetric, with one of the phosphorus–sulphur bonds retaining a high degree of double bond character and further coordinating through either dative (pattern **8**) or secondary bonding (pattern **9**). This coordination of the ligand can be described as *bimetallic biconnective*.

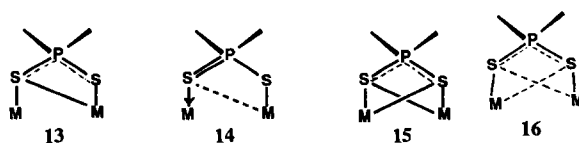


When the ligand is attached to a metal–metal bond coordination centre, five-membered rings **10**, **11** and **12** result.



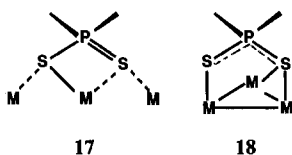
This distinction is not always so clear-cut and sometimes structures intermediate between those depicted may occur, making a rigid classification rather difficult.

Bimetallic triconnective bridging (patterns **13** and **14**) and *bimetallic tetraconnective* bridging (patterns **15** and **16**) are also possible. While the coordination patterns **13** and **14** are well illustrated by several known structures (to be discussed below) we have yet to find examples for patterns **15** and **16**.

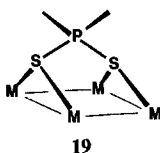


Trimetallic triconnective coordination of dithiophosphorus ligands are rare, but some examples are known. In pattern **17** a four-membered chelate ring is involved in further secondary interactions with two neighbouring metal atoms. Pattern **18** seems to be confined to coordination of the ligand to a triangular face of a polymetallic cluster. Both types are seldom observed. Thus, the coordination

pattern **17** was found in organothallium compounds (see Sections E.13 and F.12), while pattern **18** was observed in a tetrahedral Cu_4 cluster derivatives (see Section E.11.a).



A *tetrametallic tetraconnective* coordination pattern **19** was only imaginary a dozen years ago⁶ but in the meantime it has been discovered in a cubic Cu_8 cluster derivative (see Section E.11.a).



C. SUPRAMOLECULAR ASSOCIATIONS

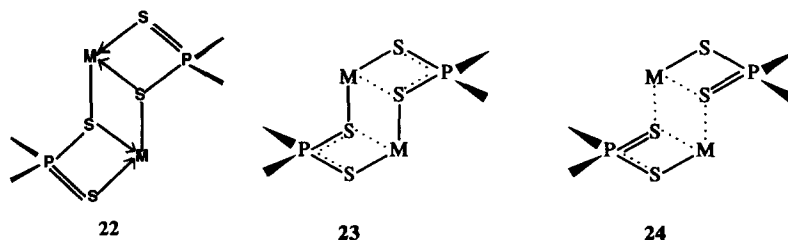
The metal complexes containing dithiophosphorus ligands coordinated as monometallic monocoordinate (unidentate, **1**) or bicoordinate (bidentate, **2–4**) are molecular compounds, i.e. consist of discrete molecules both in solution and in solid state. Other coordination patterns, in which the ligand connects two or more metal atoms, lead to *supramolecular associations*. According to Lehn, supramolecular chemistry is defined as “*the chemistry of molecular assemblies and of the intermolecular bond*” and deals with “*organized entities of higher complexity that result from the association of two or more chemical species held together by intermolecular forces*”.^{10–12} Such associations are mostly observed in Main Group metal complex compounds, when the coordination centre is an organometallic moiety of low functionality and the metal requires a high coordination number. In such cases the ligand participates in *primary bonds* which satisfy the “normal” valence state of the metal, and is also involved in additional *secondary interactions* leading to dimeric, trimeric, tetrameric, hexameric or polymeric supramolecular associations.^{13,14} Numerous dithiophosphorus ligand metal complexes which seem to be discrete molecular compounds in solution, are associated in the solid state in a mode which falls under the definition cited above.

The simplest example is offered by the dimerization of four-membered ring chelates formed with either monodentate or iso- and anisobidentate ligands (coordination patterns **1–4**). Dimerization may occur through either dative bonds or weak secondary (“semibonding”) interactions. Thus, dimerization of monodentate ligand complexes (coordination pattern **1**) leads to eight-membered cyclic dimers **20** (with dative bond bridging of type **8**) and **21** (with secondary bond bridging of type **9**).



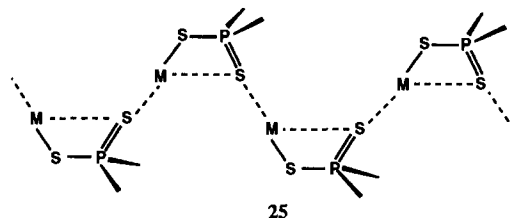
The structural motif **20** is illustrated by a dinuclear copper compound (see Section E.11.a) and structure **21** by organomercury compounds (see Sections E.12.c and F.11.c), and an organoantimony phosphinodithioate (See Section F.14.b). By forming such dimers the dithiophosphorus ligand changes the coordination pattern to **8** and **9**, respectively.

The four-membered chelate rings formed by aniso or isobidentate coordination (patterns **2–4**) dimerize to form (quasi)tricyclic systems **22**, **23**, and **24**, based on eight-membered rings with strong (dative) or weak (secondary or “semibonding”) *transannular interactions*. This process makes the ligand trimetallic triconnective, as shown in **13** and **14**. Usually, the eight-membered ring displays a chair conformation.

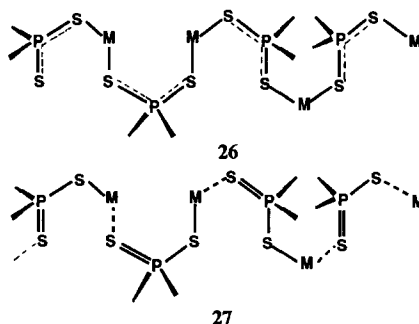


The two-step ladder structures of type 22–24 are rather common and are illustrated by dithiophosphorus ligand complexes of manganese and rhenium (see Sections F.7), platinum (see Section F.10.c), silver (see Section E.11.b), zinc, cadmium (see Section E.12.a,b and F.11.a,b), tin^{II} (see Section E.14.c), lead (see Section E.14.b), arsenic (see Section F.14.a) and antimony (see Section F.14.b). Still more complex supramolecular structures are formed when these dimers interact further and associate in polymeric ribbons, through secondary M...S bonds, as in Pb(S₂PMe₂)₂ (see Section F.13.d).

Four-membered chelate rings, e.g. 3, can form polymeric chains by association through secondary bonds, as in 25. Examples are offered by [Ph₂SbS₂P(OPrⁱ)₂]_n (see Section E.15.b) and [Me₂SbS₂PMe₂]_n (see Section F.14.b). In the polymer the ligand becomes bimetallic triconnective (pattern 14). Other types of supramolecular associations involving trimetallic triconnective bridges are known, e.g. for lead (see Sections E.14.d and F.13.d).



The symmetric and asymmetric bridges 7–9 give rise to polymeric structures 26 and 27. These polymers are illustrated by zinc bis(diethylphosphorodithioate) (see Section E.12.a) and mercury bis(diisopropylphosphorodithioate) (see Section E.12.c).



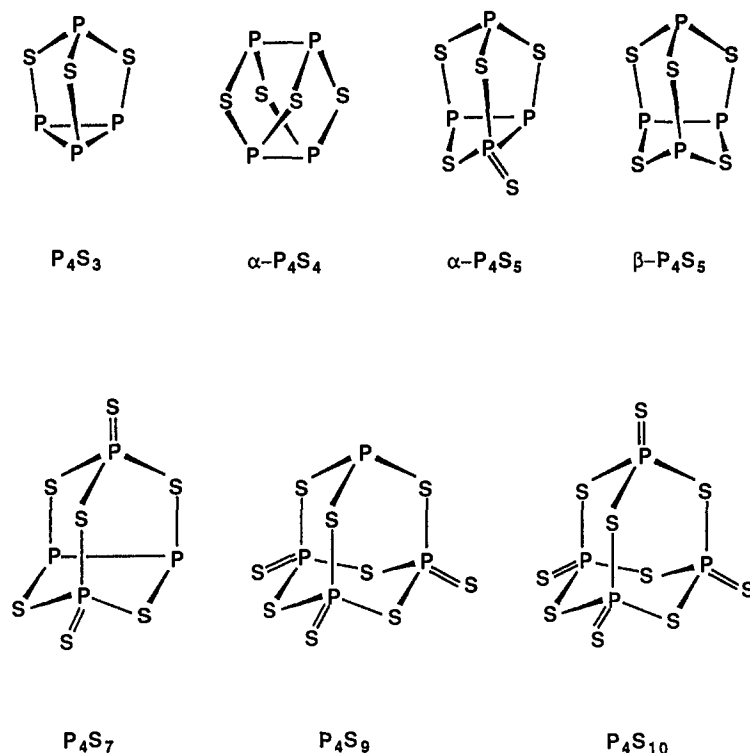
Bridging patterns 5 and 6 can also be expected to form supramolecular dimers, higher oligomers or polymers (see Section F.15.b).

It is quite obvious that the diversity of supramolecular associations involving bimetallic biconnective or triconnective, trimetallic triconnective or other types of bridging dithiophosphorus ligands, is much broader and it is not possible to list here all imaginable types. Some other examples will be found in the forthcoming discussion and we can also expect the discovery of new structural motifs.

D. SINGLE AND DOUBLE PHOSPHORUS–SULPHUR BONDS

To identify coordination patterns it is necessary to distinguish between phosphorus–sulphur single and double bonds, as reflected in interatomic distances. Reliable theoretical calculations are scarce. Electron correlated *ab initio* calculations (6–31G* level) predict for H₃P=S a double bond length of 1.944 Å, for H–P=S a bond length of 1.951 Å and for H₂P–SH a single bond length of 2.128 Å.^{15,16} Experimental values available for comparisons are numerous. The best candidates seem

to be phosphorus sulphides, where the phosphorus–sulphur bond lengths are not influenced by



Scheme 1. Molecular structures of binary phosphorus sulphides.

other substituents. Crystal structure data for the known phosphorus sulphides^{17–29} (Scheme 1) are collected in Table 1. It can be seen that single P—S bonds are in the range of 2.08–2.14 Å and double P=S bonds in the range of 1.89–1.98 Å (average values are not larger than 1.95 Å).

Another useful collection of phosphorus–sulphur bond lengths, for comparison with the values observed in dithiophosphorus ligand complexes, are those measured in dithiophosphoryl- and dithiophosphinyl disulphides (and trisulphides) (Table 2), which contain both single and double bonds. These compounds are closely related to the dithiophosphorus ligands and, in fact, are produced in the oxidation of $X_2PS_2^-$ ($X = OR, R$) anions (with formation of S—S bonds). The values found in these compounds range from 2.072 to 2.158 Å for single P—S bonds and 1.900 to 1.944 Å for double P=S bonds.^{30–40} It is also noteworthy to remember the values of the S—P—S bond angles in these compounds, which range from 103 to 116°.

In compounds containing only P=S double bonds, as in dithiophosphines, $R_2(S=)P=P(=S)R_2$ (Table 3), the corresponding interatomic distances range between 1.94 and 1.98 Å.^{41–47} Among other related compounds investigated (Table 4) it is worth noting the very short P=S double bonds in $(PhS)_3P=S$ (1.899 Å)⁴⁸ and $1,3,5\text{-}Bu_3C_6H_2P(=S)_2$ (1.90 Å),⁴⁹ but more “normal” values in $P\{P(=S)Me_2\}_3$ (1.96 Å).⁵⁰ The single P—S bond length does not seem to be much affected by coordination of a metal to phosphorus⁵¹ (see Table 4).

For comparisons with dimensions of four-membered chelate rings, crystal structure data for cyclic phosphorus–sulphur compounds are collected in Table 5. Exocyclic double bonds are short: 1.92–1.94 Å, compared with the single P—S bonds in the ring (2.11–2.14 Å).^{52–56} When the double P=S bond is associated with an exocyclic anionic P—S⁻ bond, in a PS_2^- group, it becomes longer (1.984–1.991 Å) as in the cyclic anions $P_2S_6^{2-}$ present in some salts.^{57,58} In the PS_4^{3-} anion, where the negative charge and the π -bond are distributed over four P—S bonds, P—S interatomic distances are in the range 2.02–2.06 Å.^{59,60}

All these data seem to indicate that we can safely assume that phosphorus–sulphur bonds of *ca* 2.0 Å and longer can be described as single, and bonds shorter than 1.95 Å as double. Intermediate values, often observed in dithiophosphorus ligand complexes (see below) can be taken to represent delocalized units, as in patterns **4** or **7**.

Table 1. Crystal structure data for binary phosphorus sulphides^a

Compound	Space group	α			P—S	P=S	Ref.
		a	b	c			
P ₄ S ₃	Pmnb	9.660	10.597	13.671	2.089–2.097		17–19
β -P ₄ S ₄	C2/c	9.771	9.047	8.746	2.106–2.112		20–22
α -P ₄ S ₅	P2 ₁	6.41	10.94	6.69	av. 2.108 2.08–2.14	1.94	23
β -P ₄ S ₅	P2 ₁ /m	6.389	10.966	6.613	av. 2.11 2.105–2.129		24
α -P ₄ S ₇ monoclinic	P2 ₁ /n	8.87	17.35	6.83	av. 2.114 2.04–2.13	1.93–1.97	25, 26
β -P ₄ S ₇ orthorhombic	Pbcn	8.14	11.43	11.39	av. 2.08 2.05–2.13	av. 1.95 1.89	27
P ₄ S ₉	Ia3	17.60	17.60	17.60	av. 2.09 2.10–2.14	1.93	28
P ₄ S ₁₀	P $\bar{1}$	9.07	9.18	9.19	av. 2.12 2.04–2.13	1.91–1.98	26
					av. 2.08	av. 1.95	

^a The structure diagrams are given in Scheme 1. See also Ref. 29.

It would be of interest to know more about the molecular dimensions in the parent phosphorodithioic and phosphinodithioic acids. Unfortunately, only the crystal structure of diphenyl phosphinodithioic acid, Ph₂P(=S)SH, determined both at 140 K and room temperature,⁶¹ has been fully described. The bond lengths are: P—S 2.076 Å (2.077 Å), P=S 1.954 Å (1.950 Å) (at 140 K and room temperature, respectively), and the S—P—S bond angle (108.2°) is practically tetrahedral. Other phosphinodithioic acids, R₂P(=S)SH, and phosphorodithioic acids, (RO)₂P(=S)SH, have also been investigated, but only the space group and unit cell dimensions are available.^{62,63}

E. PHOSPHORODITHIOATES (DITHIOPHOSPHATES)

1. Group 1: Alkali metals. Other ionic phosphorodithioates

Two potassium salts, K⁺[S₂P(OR)₂]⁻ (R = Me⁶⁴ and CH₂Ph⁶⁵) have been investigated by X-ray diffraction. In the anions the P—S interatomic distances are intermediate between single and double bond lengths, suggesting delocalization of the negative charge over the S—P—S fragment. However,

Table 2. Crystal structure data for bis(thiophosphoryl) and bis(thiophospinyl) di(and tri-)sulphides







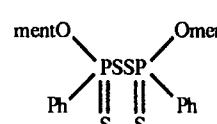
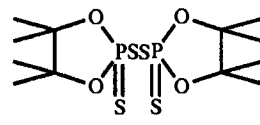
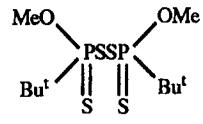







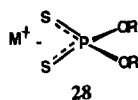
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$(\text{MeO})_2\text{PSSP}(\text{OMe})_2$ 	C2/c	21.949 10.381 12.384	— 100.26 —	2.086 2.091	1.903 1.898	105.4 106.7	30
$(\text{EtO})_2\text{PSSP}(\text{OEt})_2$ 	P $\bar{1}$	8.388 11.128 12.518	62.34 71.93 84.97	2.098 2.100	1.906 1.912	106.4 105.4	31
$(\text{Pr}^i\text{O})_2\text{PSSP}(\text{OPr}^i)_2$ 	P $\bar{1}$	8.412 8.471 8.259	110.70 94.86 97.91	2.072 2.007	1.908 1.89	104.8	32 33
$(\text{Bu}^t\text{CH}_2\text{O})_2\text{PSSP}(\text{OBu}^t)_2$ 	P $\bar{1}$	9.137 9.143 9.887	72.26 73.21 82.58	2.080	1.911	106.7	30
$(\text{PhO})_2\text{PSSP}(\text{OPh})_2$ 	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	6.618 11.584 34.533		2.075 2.076	1.900 1.898	108.4 108.0	34
$(\text{PhO})_2\text{PSSP}(\text{OPh})_2$ 	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	6.629 11.584 34.536		2.079 2.080	1.900 1.901	107.7 108.3	35
	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	17.083 10.952 9.586		2.101	1.926	not given	36
	C2	14.913 6.847 11.427	— 120.18 —	2.082	1.908	103.3	37
	P $\bar{1}$	7.916 10.501 12.461	110.11 98.77 99.96	2.093 2.139	1.923 1.913	101.2 115.3	35
$\text{Me}_2\text{PSSPMe}_2$ 	Pna2 ₁	22.046 6.226 8.480		2.099 2.094	1.938 1.941	103.7 103.7	38

Table 2—continued.

Compound	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	P=S	S—P=S	Ref.
Et ₂ PSSPEt ₂ 	P2 ₁ /c	11.998 12.678 12.181	— 115.96 —	2.116 2.112	1.944 1.937	103.8 103.6	39
Pr ⁱ ₂ PSSPPri ₂ 	P $\bar{1}$	7.661 11.378 12.403	68.33 72.61 85.53	2.156 2.158	1.931 1.935	115.9 115.1	38
Bu ^t PhPSSPPBu ^t 	C2/c	20.035 9.231 12.978	— 102.30 —	2.153	1.938	114.1	35
Ph ₂ PSSPPPh ₂ 	C2/c	22.268 9.039 12.361	— 100.27 —	2.139	1.930	114.4	34
Cy ₂ PSSPCy ₂  monoclinic	C2/c	16.887 14.860 12.574	— 100.22 —	2.158	1.935	114.8	40
Cy ₂ PSSPCy ₂  triclinic	P $\bar{1}$	20.392 12.302 12.749	68.66 103.25 107.26	2.111 2.155 2.109 2.151	1.943 1.932 1.946 1.938	105.5 105.0	40

the P—S bond distances seem significantly different [e.g. 1.945(2) and 1.969(2) Å in the benzyl derivative]. The S—P—S bond angle (*ca* 120°) is larger than the tetrahedral value.



A tetraphenylarsonium salt,⁶⁶ [AsPh₄]⁺[S₂P(OMe)₂]⁻, and a dimethylammonium salt,⁶⁷ [NMe₂H₂]⁺[S₂P(OPrⁱ)₂]⁻, have also been studied. The anions display similar features to those in potassium salts, namely slight differences in the P—S bond lengths and an enlarged S—P—S bond angle. Crystal structure data are collected in Table 6.

Transition metal phosphorodithioates containing the anion **28**, are listed below and are discussed under the appropriate metal and the literature references are cited there.

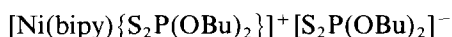
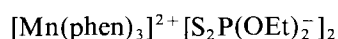
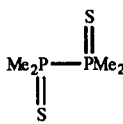
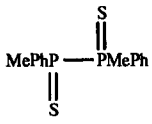
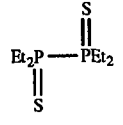
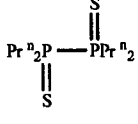
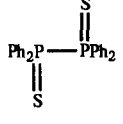
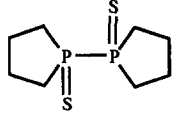
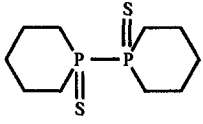
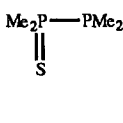
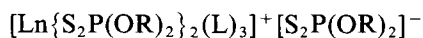
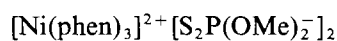


Table 3. Crystal structure data for tetraorganodithiodiphosphines

	Space group	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>	<i>c</i>	P=S	Bond angle P—P=S	Ref.
	C2/m	18.882	—	—	A 1.951	111.2	41
		10.703	94.42	—	B 1.965	112.1	
		6.984	—	—	1.970	111.9	
	Pbca	17.104	—	—	1.98	111.8	42
		10.629	—	—			
		8.592	—	—			
	P $\bar{1}$	8.98	113.0	—	1.94	112.8	43a
		6.45	85.2	—			
		6.15	102.5	—			
	P2 ₁ /n	6.491	—	—	1.953	112.2	43b
		10.152	100.74	—			
		13.358	—	—			
	P2 ₁ /c	9.628	—	—	1.952	112.3	44
		15.798	96.29	—	1.950	112.0	
		14.304	—	—			
	P $\bar{1}$	7.65	75.30	—	1.95	111.1	45
		6.90	104.15	—			
		5.88	92.36	—			
	P2 ₁ /n	9.44	120.1	—	1.95	112.7	46
		6.85	99.0	—			
		6.02	82.4	—			
	P2 ₁ /n	6.314	—	—	A 1.970	115.8	47
		16.252	97.64	—	B 1.979		
		8.120	—	—			



with Ln = Sm, R = Et, L = OPPH₃; Ln = Tb and Er, R = Prⁱ, L = PhCONH₂.

2. Group 2: Alkaline earths

No X-ray structure determination has been reported for any alkaline earth metal phosphorodithioate.

Table 4. Crystal structure data for other phosphorus–sulphur compounds

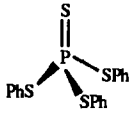
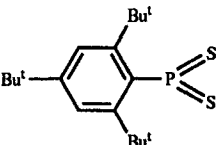
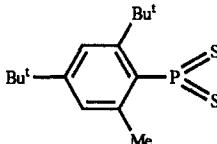
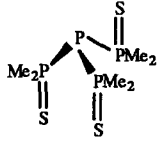
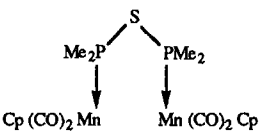
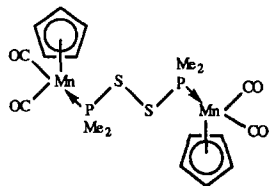
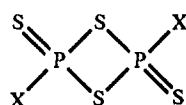
Compound	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	P=S	Bond angle SPS	Ref.
	P2 ₁ /n	10.141 10.195 18.870	— 97.25 —	2.099 2.103 2.103 av. 2.102	1.899	S—P=S 117.7 117.0 116.7 S—P—S 100.2 100.9 101.5	48
	P2 ₁ /n	10.217 10.324 19.102	— 98.4 —	—	1.890 1.891	S=P=S 126.0	49a
	Pna2 ₁	15.277 11.364 9.659	— — —	—	1.894 1.900	S=P=S 126.3	49b
	P2 ₁ /n	7.028 17.089 12.850	— 101.99 —	—	1.956 1.964	—	50
	Iba2	16.65 15.64 17.49	— — —	2.13 2.12	—	—	51
	C2/c	25.73 8.89 21.23	— 116.49 —	2.11 2.16	—	—	51

Table 5. Crystal structure data for other cyclic phosphorus–sulphur compounds



X (trans)	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	P=S	SPS bond angle	Ref.
Me	I2/m	6.793 7.046 9.207	— 92.25 —	2.141	1.945	S—P—S 94.5 S—P=S 116.6	52, 53
Bu ^t	Cmca	9.872 9.594 15.488	— — —	2.121	1.921	S—P—S 94.0 S—P=S 116.3	54a
SMe	P2 ₁ /a	8.034 8.181 8.577	— 109.98 —	endo 2.118 2.115 exo 2.044	1.919	endo S—P—S 93.0 exo S—P—S 108.4 S—P=S 118.5	54b, 54c
SEt	P2 ₁ /n	6.45 9.96 10.23	— 98.16 —	endo 2.100 2.105 exo 2.047	1.909	endo S—P—S 93.1 exo S—P—S 110.1 S—P=S 118.3	54d
SPh	P2 ₁ /n	6.410 11.701 11.409	— 101.92 —	endo 2.112 2.107 exo 2.080	1.920	endo S—P—S 93.7 exo S—P—S 108.2 S—P=S 116.3	55a
STol-p	P $\bar{1}$	6.276 7.262 10.200	89.81 91.26 93.52	endo 2.113 2.105 exo 2.074	1.916	endo S—P—S 93.7 exo S—P=S 108.5 116.0	55b

Table 5—continued.

X (trans)	Space group	a			P—S	P=S	SPS bond angle	Ref.
		b	α β	c				
S ⁻ (Ag salt)	B2/m	11.210	—	endo		endo	57	
		6.731	—	2.120		S—P—S		
		6.998	126.84	exo		93.7		
				2.003		exo	110.8	
				1.984		110.5		
						118.0		
S ⁻ (Zn salt)	B2/m	21.410	—	endo			58	
		6.552	—	2.124				
		10.680	122.28	2.117				
				2.125				
				2.110				
				exo				
				1.991				
				2.001				
NMe ₂	Cmca	7.378	—	2.122	1.926	endo	56	
		11.021	—			S—P—S		
		14.407	—			93.1		
cis-Mes	Pbcn	17.878	—	endo	1.916	endo	49b	
		15.134	—	2.118		S—P—S		
		13.337	—	2.139		90.1		
						exo		
						S—P=S		
						115.7		
						118.0		

Table 6. Alkali metal, arsonium and ammonium salts

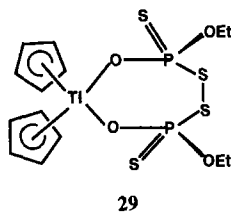
Structure no.	M	R	Space group	a			P—S	S—P—S	Ref.
				b	α β	c			
28	K	Me	Fddd	17.21	—	1.96	118.2	64	
				17.50	—	1.96			
				11.45	—				
28	K	CH ₂ Ph	P $\bar{1}$	11.468	99.48	1.945	120.1	65	
				11.735	98.50	1.969			
				6.542	69.09				
28	AsPh ₄	Me	P $\bar{1}$	9.637	66.34	1.944	120.1	66	
				11.875	68.62	1.954			
				13.119	78.85				
28	NH ₂ Me ₂	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /c	14.213	—	1.965	116.6	67	
				14.552	101.14	1.974			
				7.129	—				

3. Group 3: Sc, Y

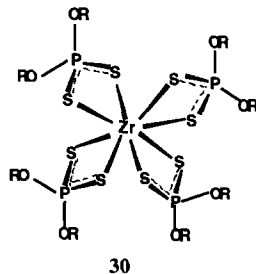
No scandium or yttrium phosphorodithioate has been structurally characterized. Lanthanide and actinide (*f*-element) phosphorodithioates are discussed in Section E.17.

4. Group 4: Ti, Zr, Hf

a. Titanium. Crystal structures of a simple titanium or organotitanium phosphorodithioates have not been reported. Attempts to prepare a bis(cyclopentadienyltitanium) phosphorodithioate by reacting $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{H}_5)_2\text{TiCl}_2$ with P_4S_{10} in ethanol produced a derivative **29**, containing P—O—Ti and P—S—S—P moieties,⁶⁸ obviously formed by hydrolysis and oxidation of the phosphorodithioato ligand presumably formed in the first step of the reaction.



b. Zirconium. Zirconium(IV) forms eight-coordinate phosphorodithioates, in which the metal displays distorted dodecahedral geometry, **30**. The ligand is isobidentate, with two practically identical P—S bonds, but the nonequivalent Zr—S bonds can be described as normal covalent (2.653 Å) and dative (2.746 Å) (coordination pattern no. 2).⁶⁹



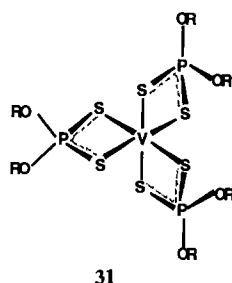
The crystal data and molecular dimensions are listed in Table 7.

Table 7. Crystal structure data for Group 4 and 5 metal phosphorodithioates

Structure no.	R	Space group	α		P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.										
			b	β																
			c	γ																
30	Pr ⁱ	Fddd	36.850	—	1.976	1.980	2.653	2.746	107.0	91.2	88.3	chel	69							
			14.889	—																
			16.593	—																
31	Et	C2/c	8.644	—	1.971	1.989	2.473	2.446	108.1	85.1	85.8	chel	70							
			18.487	93.0										1.986	1.986	2.434	2.434	107.7	85.0	85.0
			17.688	—																
32	Pr ⁱ	Fddd	37.024	—	1.974	1.982	2.626	2.665	105.8	89.7	88.5	chel	69							
			14.702	—																
			16.322	—																
33	Pr ⁱ	P $\bar{1}$	7.122	77.38	1.986	2.017	2.651	2.532	105.9	87.4	90.1	chel	71							
			11.365	89.08																
			12.532	72.87																
34	Pr ⁱ	P $\bar{1}$	7.251	102.66	1.985	2.000	2.605	2.576	104.6	86.5	87.0	chel	71							
			12.386	103.56																
			13.988	94.66																
35	Et	P2 ₁ /c	14.564	—	1.935	2.036	2.601	119.5	—	116.2	—	uni	72							
			17.409	103.62																
			7.506	—																

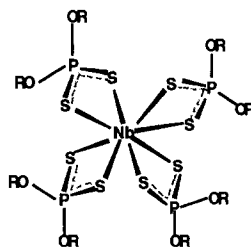
5. Group 5: V, Nb, Ta

a. *Vanadium*. Tris(diethylphosphorodithioato)vanadium(III), $V\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_3$, contains isobidentate chelating ligands in trigonally distorted octahedral geometry **31**.⁷⁰ The S—P—S bond angle is tetrahedral. Molecular dimensions are given in Table 7,



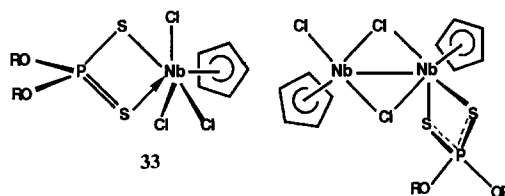
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b. *Niobium*. A niobium(IV) diisopropylphosphorodithioate, $Nb\{S_2P(OPr^i)_2\}_4$, has a distorted dodecahedral structure, **32**, like the zirconium(IV) complex **30**, and the four ligands are coordinated as chelating isobidentate (with P—S 1.974 and 1.982 Å).⁶⁹



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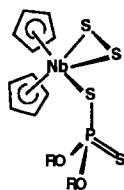
The coordination pattern of the diisopropylphosphorodithioato ligand becomes more asymmetric in two cyclopentadienyl derivatives, **33** and **34** ($R = Pr^i$), where both the Nb—S and P—S interatomic distances differ significantly⁷¹ (see Table 7). This suggests a coordination pattern of type 2, although the “double P=S bonds” are longer (1.98 Å) than normal values.



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In bis(cyclopentadienyl)niobium disulphide diisopropylphosphorodithioate the ligand is monodentate, **35**, and the P—S bond lengths differ accordingly (P—S 2.036 Å and P=S 1.935 Å). The S—P—S angle in the monodentate ligand displays a much larger value (119.5°) than in the chelated vanadium complex,⁷² (see Table 7).



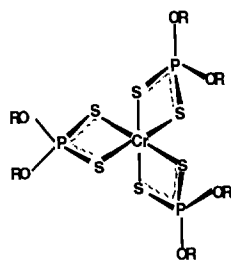
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The Nb—S bonds also differ, the longer being that to the phosphorodithioato ligand (2.602 Å), compared to the bonds to disulphido group (2.457 and 2.529 Å).

6. Group 6: Cr, Mo, W

This triad is well represented and is dominated by molybdenum compounds, which display a great variety of composition and structures.

a. Chromium. All chromium complexes investigated are tris(phosphorodithioato) compounds, $\text{Cr}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_3$, $\text{R} = \text{Et}^{73,74}$ and $(\text{OR})_2 = \text{OCHMeCHMeO}^{75,76}$ with octahedral coordination geometries and isobidentate ligands, **36** (see Table 8).

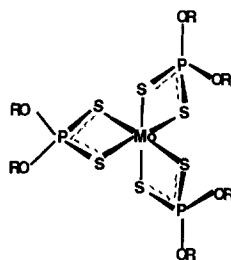


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The octahedral geometry is distorted because the S—Cr—S bond angles in the four-membered CrS_2P chelate rings (85°) are smaller than the 90° required by a regular octahedron. A trigonal twist angle (between two parallel triangular faces) of 47° (instead of 60° in the regular octahedron) is also observed.

b. Molybdenum. A large number of mono-, di-, tri- and tetranuclear molybdenum complexes with phosphorodithioato ligands have been investigated structurally. Monodentate, bidentate chelating and bridging coordination patterns were found in molybdenum chemistry. The crystal and molecular dimensions for molybdenum phosphorodithioates are collected in Tables 9–13.

(i) Mononuclear complexes. The octahedral tris(dimethylphosphorodithioato)molybdenum(III) $\text{Mo}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_3$, **37**, is similar to the analogous chromium(III) and vanadium(III) complexes, with isobidentate chelating ligands.⁷⁷



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The *p*-tolylimido derivative $\text{Mo}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_3(\text{N}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me}-p)$, **38** ($\text{R} = \text{Me}$, $\text{Ar} = \text{NC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me}-4$), contains two bidentate and one monodentate phosphorodithioato ligands,⁷⁸ displaying significant differences in the P—S bond lengths and S—P—S bond angles (Table 9). Thus, in the bidentate

Table 8. Crystal structure data for chromium phosphorodithioates

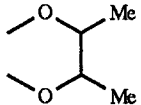
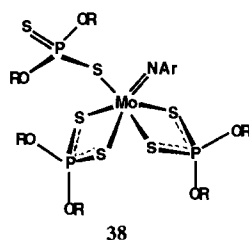
Structure no.	R	Space group	a			α			Bond type			Ref.				
			b	c	β	γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P						
36	Et	C2/c	14.374	—	—	—	1.988	1.999	2.423	2.428	106.6	85.7	85.3	chel	73	
			13.586	90.51	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	C2/c	14.270	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
		14.28	—	—	—	1.980	2.000	2.423	—	—	106.2	85.6	84.9	chel	74	
36	$(\text{RO})_2 =$ 	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	11.699	—	—	—	1.972	1.974	2.410	2.424	107.2	85.5	85.1	chel	75, 76	
			12.738	—	—	—	1.973	1.983	2.438	2.426	107.2	85.1	85.2	chel		
			13.60	89.5	—	—	1.995	1.995	2.421	—	—	107.0	—	—	—	
			14.35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
			16.827	—	—	—	1.973	1.979	2.420	2.423	107.2	85.4	85.2	chel		

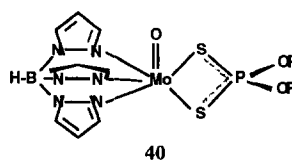
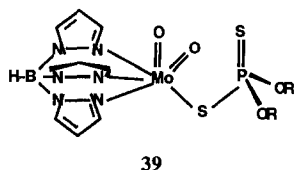
Table 9. Crystal structure data for mononuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	a			α			P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.
			b	c	β	γ								
37	Me	C2/c	14.342	—	1.990	1.991	2.521	2.501	107.8	85.9	86.5	chel	77	
			11.239	77.12	1.994	1.994	2.500	2.500	107.2	96.5	86.5	chel		
			12.945	—										
38	Me	P2 ₁ /c	20.421	—	2.001	2.008	2.530	2.448	105.6	86.5	87.5	chel	78	
			8.579	93.92	1.986	2.014	2.645	2.492	106.4	86.4	90.0	uni		
			18.449	—	1.940	2.035	2.453	110.7	—	110.2				
39	Et	P $\bar{1}$	8.421	87.77	1.931	2.047	—	2.048	111.1	—	107.2	uni	79	
			12.654	81.36										
			15.240	74.37										
40	Et	P2 ₁ /c	17.987	—	1.984	1.993	2.500	2.478	107.0	84.7	84.4	chel	79	
			8.219	104.88										
			18.681	—										
41	Pr ⁱ	Pbca	12.703	—	1.992	1.994	2.550	2.559	105.6	89.1	89.8	chel	71	
			16.706	—										
			18.398	—										
42	Et					2.599	2.505				chel	80		
43	Et	P2 ₁ /n	15.479	—	1.986	2.000	2.588	2.564	not given	87.7	88.1	chel	81	
			16.718	95.56										
			17.156	—										
44	Et R' = Me	P2 ₁ /c	15.311	—	1.97	2.02	3.06	2.62				chel	82	
			10.231	98.76										
			20.889	—										

ligands P—S bond lengths are in the range 1.986–2.014 Å, while in the monodentate group single (P—S 2.035 Å) and double (P=S 1.940 Å) bonds are clearly distinguished.



Of the two tris(dimethylpyrazolylborato)phosphorodithioato mixed ligand complexes the dioxomolybdenum(VI) derivative **39** contains a monodentate phosphorodithioato ligand, while in the oxomolybdenum(IV) compound, **40**, the ligand is bidentate.⁷⁹ As observed before, in the monodentate ligand the S—P—S bond angle is larger (111°) than in the bidentate ligand (107°). The phosphorus-sulphur bond lengths are 2.047 Å (P—S) and 1.931 Å (P=S) in **39**, and 1.984 and 1.993 in **40**, in agreement with the coordination patterns of the ligands.



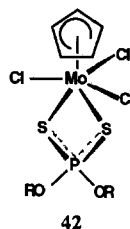
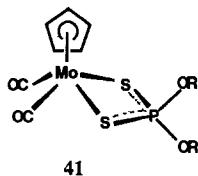
The η^5 -cyclopentadienylmolybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes **41** (R = Prⁱ)⁷¹ and **42** (R = Et)⁸⁰ contain isobidentate chelating ligands and in **41** the P—S bond lengths are equal (1.992 and 1.994 Å).

Table 10. Crystal structure data for binuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no and R	R' R''	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.			
45 Me		P2 ₁ /c	8.235 16.544 11.444	— 103.7 —	2.006 1.956 2.018	1.956 1.983 2.018	2.504 2.504 2.453	2.799 2.799 2.549	109.3 105.9 105.9	91.4 87.9 86.0	84.1 86.0 86.0	chel chel chel	83
45 Et		P2 ₁ /n	8.709 24.170 9.942	— 112.3 —	1.954 1.988 2.004	2.000 2.004 2.534	2.800 2.534 2.457	2.501 2.457 110.3	110.3 105.7 105.7	83.4 86.2 88.0	90.8 88.0 88.0	chel chel chel	84
45 Et'		P $\bar{1}$	11.36 13.96 8.66	94.9 103.8 81.7	1.947 1.983 2.017	2.010 2.017 2.547	2.801 2.547 2.442	2.497 2.442 109.2	109.2 105.3 105.3	84.4 86.3 88.4	91.7 88.4 88.4	chel chel chel	85
45 Pr''		P $\bar{1}$	10.670 13.063 8.944	100.1 92.16 80.88	1.967 1.932 2.002	2.020 2.809 2.501	2.534 2.809 2.501	2.444 2.501 109.5	105.5 109.5 109.5	86.7 — 91.7	88.1 — 91.7	chel chel chel	86
45 Pr'		P $\bar{1}$	10.898 12.637 8.972	98.43 98.67 86.78	1.928 1.988 2.014	2.012 2.014 2.529	2.833 2.529 2.457	2.514 2.457 109.8	109.8 105.0 105.0	83.2 87.1 88.6	90.5 88.6 88.6	chel chel chel	87
46 Et ^b		Pbca	11.636 18.290 23.904	— — —	1.993 1.988 1.998	1.996 1.998 2.522	2.547 2.522 2.489	2.506 2.489 107.1	107.1 106.6 106.6	86.0 86.7 87.4	87.1 87.4 87.4	chel chel chel	88
47 Pr'		Pbca	22.679 16.224 15.104	— — —	1.993 1.977 2.010	1.999 2.010 2.481	2.460 2.481 2.490	2.491 2.490 103.5	103.5 103.9 103.9	88.6 87.5 86.5	88.0 86.5 86.5	chel chel chel	89
48 Pr'		Pbca	23.021 16.030 14.792	— — —	2.015 1.999 1.999	2.018 1.999 2.472	2.476 2.472 2.501	2.505 2.501 103.1	103.1 104.8 104.8	87.6 88.0 87.2	86.7 87.2 87.2	chel chel chel	90
49 Et		P2 ₁ /c	14.044 10.341 17.821	— 112.5 —	1.998 1.980 2.004	2.008 2.004 2.477	2.466 2.489 2.475	2.466 2.475 102.3	102.3 104.0 104.0	88.9 88.3 88.2	89.0 88.2 88.2	chel chel chel	91,92
50 Et	Ar = Ph	P $\bar{1}$	20.026 12.360 12.093	65.46 77.46 77.54	1.995 1.996 1.982	2.008 2.009 2.017	2.524 2.527 2.544	2.527 2.535 2.545	105.0 105.5 107.7	87.8 87.7 85.6	87.4 87.2 84.9	chel chel chel	93
50 Me	Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	Pcab	12.514 13.136 28.009	— — —	2.011 1.988 1.996	2.012 1.996 2.527	2.505 2.527 0	2.459 2.526 106.8	103.3 106.1 106.1	86.8 86.9 87.2	87.2 87.2 87.2	chel chel chel	93
51 Et		P $\bar{1}$	8.773 9.712 13.652	69.24 70.43 66.87	1.964 1.969 1.999	2.012 1.999 2.645	2.635 2.645 2.482	2.459 2.482 106.2	106.2 106.2 106.2	86.3 86.7 90.2	90.2 90.7 90.2	chel chel chel	94
52 Et	R' = CF ₃ R'' = H Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	P2 ₁ /a	23.569 17.176 10.050	— 111.8 —	1.987 1.985 1.998	1.997 1.998 2.542	2.542 2.538 2.506	2.577 2.506 106.2	106.2 106.7 106.7	87.5 87.0 87.6	88.1 87.6 87.6	chel chel chel	95
52 Et	R' = CF ₃ R'' = Me Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	A2/a	33.891 16.169 13.902	— 90.52 —	1.994 2.000 2.000	2.001 2.000 2.548	2.526 2.548 2.493	2.518 2.493 105.9	105.9 106.1 106.1	87.8 86.8 88.3	87.8 88.3 88.3	chel chel chel	96
52 Et	R' = Me R'' = SEt Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	P2 ₁ /c	13.403 24.817 13.894	— 116.2 —	1.992 1.987 1.988	1.996 1.988 2.520	2.511 2.520 2.552	2.553 2.552 106.4	106.4 106.8 106.8	87.2 88.0 87.1	88.2 87.1 87.1	chel chel chel	97
52 Et	R' = Me R'' = NH ₂ Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	P $\bar{1}$	13.781 14.524 10.961	104.48 106.39 107.31	1.995 1.988 1.988	1.982 1.988 2.510	2.517 2.510 2.557	2.550 2.557 106.8	106.8 106.7 106.7	87.7 87.9 86.6	87.1 86.6 86.6	chel chel chel	98
52 Et	R' = Me R'' = NCHBu ^t Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	P2 ₁ /n	12.473 28.197 13.568	— 114.81 —	1.996 1.995 1.985	1.985 1.985 2.504	2.515 2.504 2.567	2.515 2.567 106.9	106.9 106.7 106.7	87.7 88.2 86.7	86.9 86.7 86.7	chel chel chel	98
52 Et	R' = Me R'' = NCMe ₂ Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	P $\bar{1}$	15.602 15.618 9.627	91.13 96.25 117.59	1.993 1.990 1.993	1.987 1.993 2.515	2.517 2.515 2.557	2.560 2.557 106.2	106.8 106.2 106.2	88.2 88.5 87.3	87.1 87.3 87.3	chel chel chel	98
53 Et	C ₇ H ₁₅ Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	C2/c	28.664 14.653 32.304	— 122.1 —	1.987 1.989	1.989	2.552 2.567	2.567 106.8	106.8	87.9	87.4	chel	99

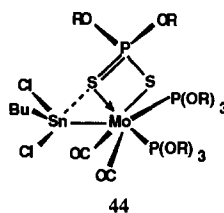
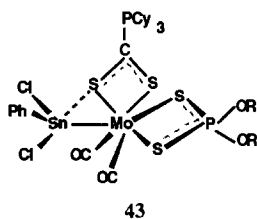
Table 10—continued.

Structure no and R	R' R''	Space group	a b c	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond typ	Ref.			
54 Pr ⁱ	—	P2 ₁ /n	17.316	—	1.987	1.994	2.515	2.525	105.5	88.2	87.8	chel	100
			14.560	93.00	1.969	2.003	2.523	2.507	105.8	88.0	87.7	chel	
55 Pr ⁱ	—	P2 ₁ /n	2.150	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	100
			17.200	—	2.007	2.025	2.538	2.485	105.1	87.0	88.0	chel	
			12.690	111.0	1.997	2.024	2.529	2.495	104.9	87.5	87.9	chel	
56 Pr ⁱ	—	Aa	15.448	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	102
			11.854	—	2.004	2.009	2.512	2.508	104.8	87.9	87.9	chel	
			9.000	93.27	2.008	2.011	2.503	2.498	104.5	87.9	88.0	chel	
57 Et	—	P $\bar{1}$	28.849	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	103
			15.279	90.17	1.988	2.014	2.544	2.485	106.5	86.3	87.2	chel	
			17.019	95.51	1.982	2.020	2.630	2.471	106.0	86.5	90.1	chel	
			11.640	74.65	1.929	2.050	—	2.461	111.3	—	107.0	uni	
			—	—	2.000	2.012	2.533	2.486	106.2	86.1	87.2	chel	
			—	—	1.980	2.009	2.663	2.483	108.3	84.2	88.6	chel	
—	—	1.933	2.051	—	2.466	110.5	—	108.5	uni				

^aC₆H₄Cl₂ solvate.^bTHF solvate.

In a bimetallic molybdenum–tin complex **43** (R = Et) the dithiophosphorus ligand is coordinated as monometallic biconnective (isobidentate) only to molybdenum; the tin atom participates only in a secondary interaction (Sn...S 2.999 Å) with the sulphur atom of Cy₃PCS₂ ligand.⁸¹ In a related bimetallic compound **44** (R = Et, R' = Me) the phosphorodithioato ligand is bimetallic triconnective, with two bonds to molybdenum (Mo—S 2.62 and 2.65 Å) and a weak secondary interaction to tin (Sn...S 3.06 Å).⁸² The P—S bonds differ slightly (P—S1 2.02 Å and P—S2 1.97 Å), the longer being that involved in the secondary bond to tin.

Crystal data and molecular dimensions for mononuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioates are given in Table 9.



(ii) Binuclear complexes. There are at least three types of binuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes: (a) single bridged (oxo), (b) doubly bridged (oxo/oxo, oxo/thio, oxo/imino) and (c) complexes with a spacer group separating the two metal atoms. Crystal data for binuclear phosphorodithioates are listed in Table 10.

Trioxodimolybdenum(V) phosphorodithioates, Mo₂O₃{S₂P(OR)₂}₄, are binuclear compounds containing a single oxo bridge and four chelating phosphorodithioato ligands in a *trans*-configuration, as in **45** (R = Me,⁸³ Et,^{84,85} Prⁿ,⁸⁶ and Prⁱ).⁸⁷ The difference in the P—S interatomic distances

Table 11. Crystal structure data for trinuclear phosphorodithioato molybdenum complexes (R = Et in compounds 59–74)

Structure no. and R'	L	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S		M—S		S—P—S	M—S—P		Bond type	Ref.
59	imidazole ^a	P $\bar{1}$	14.465	99.36	1.981	1.989	2.580	2.550	107.1	87.1	87.3	chel	104
			14.653	93.11	1.981	1.998	2.597	2.563	107.1	87.8	88.4	chel	
			14.886	114.29	1.976	1.989	2.569	2.567	107.4	87.9	87.7	chel	
					1.952	1.946	—	—	118.7			ionic	
60	H ₂ O	P2 ₁ /c	13.553	—	1.998	1.971	2.564	2.578	107.5	87.66	87.5	chel	105–107
			10.066	95.00	2.007	1.977	2.588	2.594	108.5	86.5	85.7	chel	
			31.014	—	1.966	2.013	2.568	2.533	107.7	86.3	86.3	chel	
					1.979	1.969	2.585	2.586	116.6	109.3	109.2	bridge	
60	BzCN	P $\bar{1}$	15.941	76.41	1.973	1.996	2.597	2.564	106.8	88.0	88.5	chel	108
			15.957	83.87	1.982	1.983	2.564	2.553	108.3	86.3	86.6	chel	
			20.240	74.41	1.980	2.000	2.587	2.580	106.9	88.3	88.0	chel	
					1.989	1.972	2.641	2.655	115.3	105.5	105.9	bridge	
60	oxazole ^b	P2 ₁ /n	16.579	—	2.001	1.986	2.565	2.578	106.4	not given	not given	chel	109
			16.959	94.44	1.999	1.985	2.568	2.591	106.4			chel	
			16.867	—	1.997	1.971	2.548	2.582	108.7			chel	
					1.969	1.943	2.639	2.594	117.0			bridge	
60	PPh ₃ ^c	P $\bar{1}$	10.472	74.04	1.982	2.001	2.589	2.574	107.8	86.6	86.7	chel	110, 111
			14.375	76.50	1.980	1.979	2.586	2.595	109.9	85.9	85.6	chel	
			21.695	72.22	1.979	1.976	2.608	2.600	107.8	87.9	88.4	chel	
					1.985	1.984	2.599	2.584	116.7	105.1	106.9	bridge	
60	allylthiourea	P $\bar{1}$	13.944	77.35	1.975	1.989	2.551	2.586	107.4	87.5	88.2	chel	112
			14.143	69.94	1.993	1.987	2.577	2.592	106.9	88.3	88.0	chel	
			14.233	63.50	1.978	1.989	2.582	2.603	109.3	86.0	86.3	chel	
					1.948	2.583	2.632	117.0	110.4	111.2	bridge		
61	bipy	P $\bar{1}$	13.683	95.57	1.943	1.976	2.585	2.571	107.2	88.3	88.0	chel	115
			13.983	91.87	1.985	1.961	2.544	2.571	107.8	86.7	86.4	chel	
			14.699	117.40	1.976	1.969	2.655	2.674	115.7	105.7	105.3	bridge	
					1.998	1.901	2.573	—	120.8	118.0		ionic	
62	oxazole	P $\bar{1}$	11.931	78.17	1.990	1.992	2.542	2.570	107.1	88.0	87.2	chel	116
			13.203	91.34	1.982	1.992	2.541	2.574	106.7	88.4	87.6	chel	
			15.014	109.63	1.978	1.990	2.543	2.582	107.2	88.3	87.4	chel	
					1.964	—	2.644	—	—	106.1	—	bridge	
63 H	Py	P $\bar{1}$	10.519	93.27	1.981	1.987	2.510	2.561	106.0	88.4	86.8	chel	117
			12.121	94.63	1.978	1.996	2.559	2.520	106.8	87.1	87.8	chel	
			15.757	105.2	1.977	1.988	2.573	2.549	107.0	87.8	88.2	chel	
63 Me	Py	P $\bar{1}$	9.556	101.41	1.989	1.985	2.531	2.559	107.1	87.9	87.2	chel	117
			14.067	101.44	2.000	1.991	2.515	2.563	105.7	88.8	87.6	chel	
			15.914	74.26	1.997	1.983	2.549	2.576	107.9	87.3	86.9	chel	
63 Me	Py ^d	P2 ₁ /n	13.158	—	1.995	1.985	2.526	2.554	105.8	88.7	88.2	chel	118
			23.153	112.7	2.006	1.986	2.515	2.548	106.5	87.8	87.3	chel	
			16.175	—	2.001	1.985	2.540	2.540	106.6	88.5	87.6	chel	
63 Me	MeCN	P $\bar{1}$	12.877	108.70	1.989	1.974	2.537	2.560	107.0	87.8	87.5	chel	119
			12.954	102.05	1.987	1.990	2.571	2.549	106.6	87.8	88.3	chel	
			12.807	71.62	1.998	1.987	2.514	2.549	106.3	88.2	87.4	chel	
63 Et	Py	P $\bar{1}$	12.972	66.22	1.980	1.997	2.549	2.567	108.5	86.8	86.0	chel	120
			13.763	101.72	1.996	1.979	2.541	2.567	107.3	87.4	87.1	chel	
			14.515	118.90	1.976	1.998	2.549	2.522	106.5	87.5	87.8	chel	
64	—	P2 ₁ /c	12.748	—	1.991	1.994	2.547	2.567	107.7	87.4	86.8	chel	121
			14.320	101.07	1.994	2.012	2.487	2.463	104.0	87.5	87.8	chel	
			23.118	—	1.987	2.023	2.540	2.467	105.2	87.3	87.3	chel	
65	oxazole	P $\bar{1}$	13.175	117.87	1.966	1.975	2.568	2.568	108.8	87.1	86.9	chel	109
			13.372	60.09	1.981	1.981	2.555	2.673	107.0	90.6	87.2	chel	
			16.656	109.03	1.979	1.971	2.559	2.616	108.7	87.1	85.7	chel	
65	imidazole	C2/c	14.954	—	1.961	1.991	2.604	2.561	108.0	87.4	88.0	chel	122
			22.323	98.23	1.969	1.994	2.665	2.571	107.9	87.2	89.3	chel	
			27.003	—	1.963	1.989	2.593	2.592	109.5	86.9	86.4	chel	
					1.983	1.978	2.636	2.607	113.2	102.6	104.8	bridge	

Table 11.—Continued

Structure no. and R'	L	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.			
66	thiourea	P2 ₁ /n	15.355	—	1.966	1.992	2.574	2.636	109.1	88.0	85.7	chel	105, 123
			12.718	90.57	1.974	1.990	2.585	2.585	108.2	86.4	87.3	chel	
			22.806	—	1.973	1.974	2.578	2.578	108.9	87.0	86.9	chel	
67	Py	P $\bar{1}$	14.946	1.912	2.592	2.592	116.3	108.7	106.4	bridge	124		
			12.921	97.54	1.989	1.954	2.568	2.563	108.2	85.8		86.0	chel
			14.260	116.66	1.994	1.999	2.562	2.546	106.9	87.4		87.8	chel
68	Py ^c	P $\bar{1}$	12.800	100.10	2.000	1.967	2.566	2.554	107.7	86.5	87.5	chel	125
			11.704	109.94	1.99	1.98	2.56	2.54	—	86.7	87.1	chel	
			14.169	91.53	1.96	2.00	2.53	2.54	—	87.8	86.7	chel	
68	Py	P2 ₁ /c	11.688	91.93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	126
			15.057	—	1.978	1.959	2.533	2.534	107.7	87.1	87.5	chel	
			13.052	105.97	2.010	1.969	2.547	2.541	107.2	86.8	87.9	chel	
69	X = Cl	P $\bar{1}$	21.662	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	92, 127
			11.570	102.62	1.983	1.998	2.549	2.496	105.1	88.1	89.2	chel	
			13.093	102.15	1.985	1.995	2.545	2.499	105.0	88.0	89.0	chel	
69	X = I ^f	P $\bar{1}$	14.399	111.87	1.984	1.996	2.550	2.502	105.3	88.0	89.1	chel	128
			10.350	103.69	1.994	2.004	2.549	2.512	105.2	88.1	88.9	chel	
			13.931	86.62	1.982	2.001	2.506	2.556	105.4	89.0	88.0	chel	
70	X = Cl	P2 ₁ /n	16.369	111.99	1.984	1.994	2.552	2.515	105.5	89.1	89.0	chel	129
			8.253	—	1.997	2.003	2.520	2.541	106.0	88.2	87.5	chel	
			21.018	90.89	2.017	1.959	2.517	2.563	107.6	85.9	85.9	chel	
70	X = I	P2 ₁ /n	21.531	—	2.003	2.003	2.515	2.557	106.1	87.3	88.4	chel	130, 131
			16.570	—	1.980	1.990	2.543	2.519	107.6	86.7	87.2	chel	
			12.370	99.97	1.979	1.999	2.540	2.498	105.8	87.6	88.4	chel	
71		P2 ₁ /n	20.007	—	1.983	2.002	2.537	2.512	106.4	87.4	87.7	chel	132
			17.378	—	1.994	1.981	2.513	2.549	106.3	87.1	86.4	chel	
			19.752	84.50	1.973	2.003	2.498	2.555	106.1	87.5	88.4	chel	
72		P2 ₁ /n	23.845	—	1.991	1.997	2.506	2.551	105.3	89.1	87.7	chel	133
			17.282	—	1.986	1.989	2.529	2.493	105.9	87.4	88.4	chel	
			19.543	91.89	1.984	1.991	2.526	2.491	107.0	86.5	87.3	chel	
73		P6 ₃ /m	23.997	—	2.000	1.999	2.532	2.489	106.2	96.8	88.0	chel	134
			19.84	1.977	2.487	2.535	106.3	88.3	87.1	chel			
			1.984	1.996	2.533	2.503	106.7	86.5	87.1	chel			
74		P $\bar{1}$	1.981	1.993	2.542	2.479	106.3	86.7	88.2	chel	135		
			15.492	—	1.978	1.978	2.492	2.492	105.5	88.0		88.0	chel
			15.492	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		—	—
74		P $\bar{1}$	8.530	120	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	135
			12.971	100.62	1.980	1.996	2.565	2.546	107.8	86.7	86.9	chel	
			13.578	114.25	1.985	1.992	2.567	2.510	106.7	86.7	88.2	chel	
74		P $\bar{1}$	14.135	101.49	2.004	2.003	2.459	2.548	105.6	88.7	85.7	chel	135
			—	—	1.989	2.005	2.566	2.536	112.2	106.8	106.3	bridge	
			—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	

^a Acetone solvate.^b Acetonitrile solvate.^c 0.86 CH₂Cl₂ solvate.^d CH₃COOEt solvate.^e 0.5 H₂O solvate.^f Toluene solvate.

Table 12. Crystal structure data for tetranuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioates (R = Et in compounds 75–85)

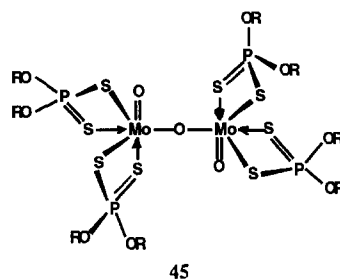
Structure no.	X or R'	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S		M—S		S—P—S		M—S—P		Bond type	Ref.
75, α	O	$P\bar{1}$	13.387	72.84	1.968	1.987	2.540	2.529			87.9	87.8	chel	138
			13.997	87.92	1.958	1.968	2.570	2.534			89.0	87.6	chel	
			16.281	84.87	1.963	1.972	2.533	2.545			86.7	86.2	chel	
					1.970	1.983	2.586	2.579			107.9	103.8	bridge	
					1.976	1.966	2.607	2.581			107.9	107.0	bridge	
75, α	O 40% S 60%	$P\bar{1}$	14.031	92.15	1.972	1.989	2.543	2.562	106.6	88.0	88.2	chel	136a	
			13.372	72.91	1.964	1.970	2.552	2.559	108.3	87.0	87.1	chel		
			16.272	95.20	1.976	1.988	2.542	2.549	107.7	86.0	86.4	chel		
					1.974	1.990	2.575	2.579	116.7	106.9	97.3	bridge		
					1.987	1.980	2.563	2.588	116.9	108.0	108.5	bridge		
76, β	O	$P2_1/n$	13.689	—	1.985	1.965	2.556	2.578	107.7	87.3	87.6	chel	139	
			30.903	93.07	1.990	1.975	2.542	2.540	106.2	87.3	87.7	chel		
			14.212	—	1.975	1.981	2.528	2.619	107.6	88.7	86.0	chel		
					1.958	1.986	2.546	2.609	108.4	86.7	87.9	chel		
					1.945	1.950	2.542	2.556	115.5	108.8	109.1	bridge		
76, β	S	$P2/n$	12.827	—	1.985	1.989	2.595	2.598	107.3	88.35	88.14	chel	136a	
			17.206	97.12	1.981	1.973	2.549	2.545	105.9	88.63	88.89	chel		
			13.507	—	1.900	1.928	2.577	2.551	118.9	111.97	109.36	bridge		
		$P2/c$	17.374	—										137
			17.354	93.20										
77, α	O ^a	R3	12.852	108.37	1.975	2.009	2.584	2.548	116.2	107.5	107.1	bridge	140	
					1.975	1.983	2.549	2.546	106.9	87.9	87.8	chel		
78, β	R' = Me	$P2/c$	13.176	—	1.976	2.008	2.517	2.543	106.1	87.5	88.3	chel	141	
			11.699	116.11	1.987	1.976	2.508	2.542	106.3	88.7	87.2	chel		
			18.526	—										
78	R' = Me	Pcab	18.900	—	1.978	1.982	2.550	2.481	106.7	86.6	88.4	chel	141, 142	
			H adduct	21.678	—	1.998	1.968	2.563	2.495	107.6	85.6	88.1		chel
			24.491	—	1.970	2.006	2.495	2.557	106.7	87.0	87.9			
					1.971	1.997	2.498	2.564	106.0	87.6	87.6			
78	R' = Me H adduct ^b	$P2/n$	17.271	—	1.976	2.008	2.553	2.500	106.1	86.7	87.5	chel	143	
			11.985	105.94	1.987	1.976	2.497	2.557	106.3	87.3	86.8	chel		
			13.061	—										
79	Ar = <i>p</i> -tol	$P\bar{1}$	24.179	75.78	1.970	1.975	2.551	2.559	109.2	86.2	85.8	chel	144	
			14.413	59.65	1.976	1.997	2.568	2.541	108.4	85.2	85.5	chel		
			12.590	58.35	1.976	1.985	2.557	2.543	108.7	84.3	84.6	chel		
					1.979	1.994	2.567	2.532	107.0	87.4	88.0	chel		
80	Ar = Ph	$P\bar{1}$	20.026	65.46	1.995	2.008	2.524	2.527	105.0	87.8	87.4	chel	93	
			12.360	77.46	1.996	2.009	2.527	2.535	105.5	87.7	87.2	chel		
			12.093	77.54	1.982	2.017	2.544	2.545	107.7	85.6	84.9	chel		
					1.985	2.007	2.527	2.526	106.8	85.1	84.7	chel		
81	Ar = <i>p</i> -tol R' = CF ₃	Pcab	15.343	—	1.997	2.001	2.554	2.498	106.0	88.0	89.3	chel	145	
			20.787	—	1.992	2.002	2.550	2.508	105.0	87.3	88.4	chel		
			25.422	—										
82	—	A2/a	18.632	—	1.983	1.993	2.679	2.510	107.8	85.6	90.1	chel	146	
			24.384	92.16	1.955	2.020	2.662	2.482	108.7	84.9	88.5	chel		
			12.600	—	1.990	2.005	2.636	2.508	108.7	84.9	88.1	chel		
					1.979	2.012	2.661	2.495	108.5	84.9	88.8	chel		

^a3MeCN solvate.^bAcetone solvate.

Table 13. Crystal data for heterometallic molybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes

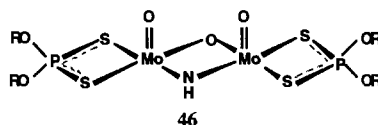
Structure no. and R'	L	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.			
83 H	Py	P $\bar{1}$	11.460	112.35	1.976	1.980	2.535	2.567	107.2	88.3	87.3	chel	147
			14.237	90.09	1.978	1.993	2.547	2.498	107.5	86.8	85.8	chel	
			15.046	111.77	1.983	1.998	2.498	2.543	106.3	86.9	88.4	chel	
83 Me	H ₂ O	P $\bar{1}$	10.146	110.42	2.0035	1.982	2.491	2.552	106.4	88.1	86.9	chel	148
			12.978	106.86	2.004	1.981	2.495	2.542	105.8	88.5	87.6	chel	
			16.132	91.31	1.977	2.000	2.527	2.558	108.1	84.3	84.8	chel	
83 Me	DMSO	P $\bar{1}$	12.183	72.87	1.980	1.995	2.489	2.550	106.2	87.0	88.4	chel	148
			12.551	71.24	1.994	1.977	2.513	2.541	106.4	88.0	87.6	chel	
			15.979	67.48	1.979	1.985	2.577	2.530	109.2	85.1	86.3	chel	
83 Me	DMF	P $\bar{1}$	12.639	108.78	1.966	1.995	2.570	2.542	107.7	87.3	86.7	chel	149
			13.722	106.36	1.979	2.002	2.561	2.507	106.3	87.8	86.4	chel	
			14.644	102.54	1.987	1.989	2.541	2.501	105.8	87.0	87.7	chel	
83 CCl ₃	MeCN	P $\bar{1}$	11.723	75.40	1.996	2.000	2.543	2.504	106.4	86.9	87.9	chel	150
			14.353	69.13	2.006	2.000	2.548	2.553	108.0	86.2	86.2	chel	
			15.333	64.93	1.943	2.029	2.533	2.490	107.1	87.0	86.3	chel	
83 Ph	Py	P ₂ /c	14.779	—	1.979	2.001	2.540	2.502	105.9	87.6	88.2	chel	148
			13.736	93.26	2.003	1.981	2.494	2.548	105.8	88.4	87.4	chel	
			23.073	—	2.000	1.981	2.512	2.578	107.8	87.4	86.0	chel	
84 Me	Py	P $\bar{1}$	13.781	98.37	1.997	1.960	2.526	2.547	107.9	86.8	86.9	chel	151
			14.523	109.41	1.995	1.964	2.525	2.546	108.6	86.2	86.3	chel	
			12.098	105.00	1.999	1.988	2.556	2.564	107.5	87.3	87.4	chel	
84 Me	DMF	P $\bar{1}$	13.215	106.06	1.994	1.998	2.524	2.557	106.9	87.0	88.0	chel	151
			17.81	109.78	1.993	1.982	2.518	2.555	107.6	87.4	86.6	chel	
			9.783	82.00	2.009	1.964	2.567	2.569	109.0	85.5	86.5	chel	
85	oxazole	P $\bar{1}$	10.342	76.27	1.993	1.984	2.527	2.596	106.8	89.0	87.0	chel	152, 153
			11.994	88.55	1.981	1.990	2.579	2.513	106.2	87.6	89.3	chel	
			21.352	73.26	1.982	2.004	2.584	2.519	107.6	86.0	87.2	chel	
85	EtOH	P ₂ /n	13.250	—	1.963	1.964	2.537	2.590	108.4	86.5	87.9	chel	152, 154
			17.296	92.41	1.966	1.966	2.555	2.562	108.1	86.8	87.0	chel	
			23.223	—	1.931	2.005	2.541	2.577	109.2	86.2	85.7	chel	
					1.963	1.988	2.569	2.582	115.9	108.3	108.7	bridge	

(Table 10) suggest a formulation with single and double phosphorus–sulphur bond lengths. A shorter P—S bond is associated with a longer Mo—S bond and *vice versa*.

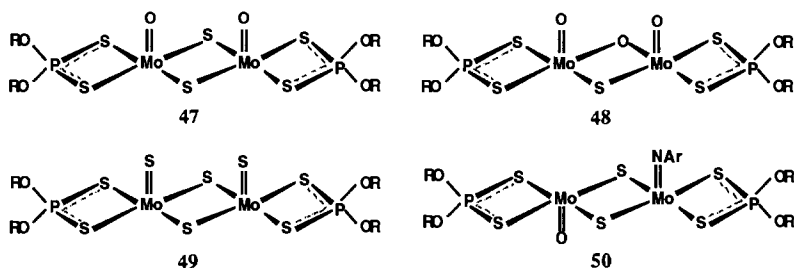


The Mo—S bond *trans* to Mo=O is the longest, followed by that *trans* to the bridging oxygen. A difference in the P—S and Mo—S(—S) bond lengths in the chelate rings, and the presence of short phosphorus–sulphur bond lengths (as low as 1.932 Å in Mo₂O₃{S₂P(OPrⁿ)₂}₄,⁸⁶ or 1.928 Å in Mo₂O₃{S₂P(OPrⁿ)₂}₄,⁸⁷ corresponding to double bonds) suggests that the formulation **45**, with a coordination pattern of type **2**, satisfactorily reflects the nature of bonding in these compounds.

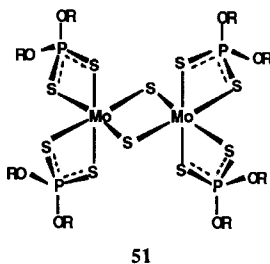
The compound Mo₂O₃(NH){S₂P(OEt)₂}₂·THF is an oxo-imino doubly bridged binuclear compound **46**, with two isobidentate chelating ligands (see Table 10 for geometric parameters).⁸⁸



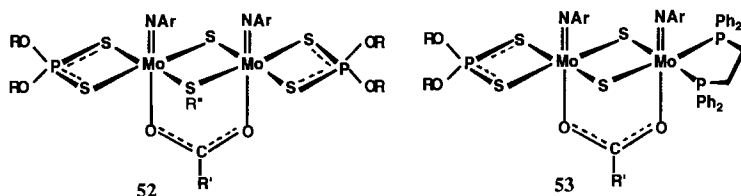
There are several similar compounds containing oxomolybdenum, thioxomolybdenum and aryliminomolybdenum coordination centres, connected by double sulphur or oxosulphur bridges, **47–50** and two terminal chelating ligands. All contain five-coordinate molybdenum(V). In these compounds the phosphorodithioato ligands are isobidentate, with practically equal P—S bonds, and a diminished S—P—S bond angle imposed by the formation of the four-membered MoS₂P chelate rings. Molecular dimensions for compounds **47** (R = Prⁱ),⁸⁹ **48** (R = Prⁱ),⁹⁰ **49** (R = Et),^{91,92} and **50** (R = Me, Et, Ar = Ph, *p*-tolyl)⁹³ are collected in Table 10.



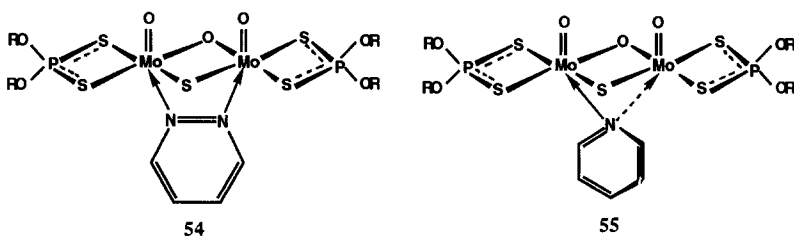
A doubly bridged compound with four chelating ligands, Mo₂S₂{S₂P(OEt)₂}₄, **51** (R = Et),⁹⁴ contains six-coordinate molybdenum(IV). The phosphorus–sulphur bonds are slightly differing (1.96 and 2.00 Å), suggesting some double bond character in the shorter ones. A *trans* influence of bridging sulphur atoms in the Mo₂S₂ nucleus can be invoked to explain these differences.



Another type of dinuclear complex contains an additional carboxylato bridge, connecting the two molybdenum atoms, as in structures **52** (R = Et, R' = CF₃, R'' = H,⁹⁵ Me,⁹⁶; R' = Me, R'' = SEt,⁹⁷ NH₂, NCMe₂ and NCHBu⁹⁸) and **53** (R = Et, R' = C₇H₁₅),⁹⁹ with terminal isobidentate chelating phosphorodithioates, and *p*-tolylimino groups bonded to molybdenum. Molecular dimensions are listed in Table 10.

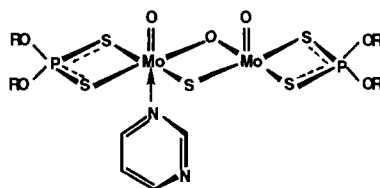


The pyridazine molecule in Mo₂SO₃{S₂P(OPrⁱ)₂}₂·pyridazine, **54**,¹⁰⁰ and pyridine in Mo₂SO₃{S₂P(OPrⁱ)₂}₂·pyridine, **55**,^{100,101} also form bridges between molybdenum centres, while the phosphorodithioato ligand forms terminal isobidentate chelating groups. The bridging mode of pyridine in **55** is rather unusual and surprising.¹⁰²



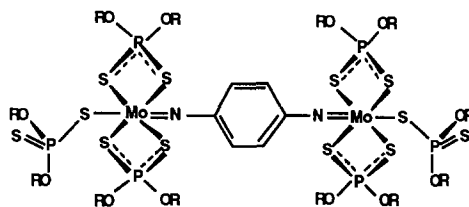
A pyrimidine adduct Mo₂SO₂{S₂P(OPr)₂}₂·pyrimidine has been formulated as **56**, with the pyrim-

idine molecule coordinated to only one molybdenum atom, with a long Mo—N distance (2.861 Å). The ligand is isobidentate chelating.



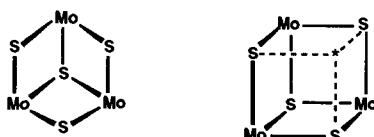
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In the complex $\text{Mo}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPeEt})_2\}_6 \cdot \text{NC}_6\text{H}_4\text{N}$ the *p*-phenylenediimino group acts as a spacer bridge between two molybdenum atoms. Of the six phosphorodithioato ligands two are monodentate terminal groups, while the other four are chelating, as shown in **57**.¹⁰³



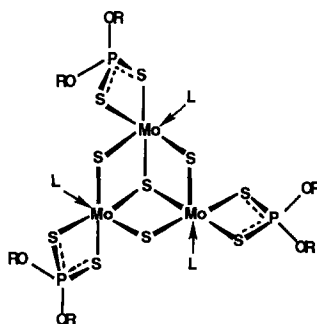
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(iii) Trinuclear complexes. A large number of trinuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes are built around a cyclic $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4^{4+}$ core, **58a**. The Mo_3S_3 unit also contains three Mo—Mo bonds and is capped by a fourth sulphur atom; it can also be regarded as an incomplete cubane structure, with one of the four corners (marked by an asterisk) missing, as shown in **58b**. This site (*) can be occupied in some compounds by a fourth metal (hetero)atom, e.g. molybdenum, copper or antimony, to form a complete cubane structure.



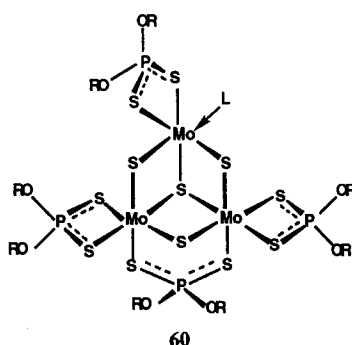
58a,b

The $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4^{4+}$ core is coordinatively unsaturated, each molybdenum atom displaying the tendency to become octahedral, six-coordinated (if Mo—Mo bonds are ignored, as we will do throughout this review, for simplicity). Thus, each molybdenum atom possesses three available coordination sites. If a phosphorodithioato ligand forms a chelate ring at each molybdenum site, and an additional monodentate ligand is coordinated to each molybdenum atom, structure **59** results. This has been found in the compound $[\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3(\text{L})_3]^+[(\text{EtO})_2\text{PS}_2]^-$ (L = imidazole),¹⁰⁴ where the positive charge of the trinuclear complex is neutralized by a fourth phosphorodithioate group acting as a non-coordinated counter ion. The chelating ligands are all isobidentate (P—S 1.976–1.998 Å; S—P—S 107.2°). In the free anion $(\text{EtO})_2\text{PS}_2^-$ the P—S bonds are shorter (1.946 and 1.952 Å) and the S—P—S bond angle larger (118.7°).¹⁰⁴



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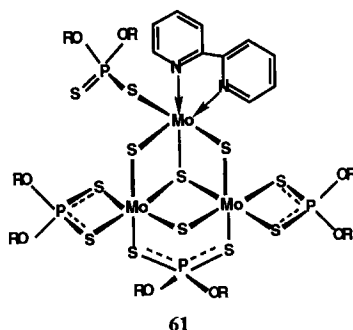
A pair of the monodentate ligands L can be replaced by a fourth phosphorodithioato group, acting as a bridge and spanning across the Mo—S—Mo bridge, to form a structure of type **60**.



These compounds contain three chelating and one bridging phosphorodithioato ligands and several such complexes, with L = H₂O,¹⁰⁵⁻¹⁰⁷ PhCH₂CN,¹⁰⁸ oxazole,¹⁰⁹ PPh₃,^{110,111} and allylthiourea,¹¹² have been reported. The ligand L is weakly bonded and can be easily interchanged with various groups. The position occupied by L has been called “a loose coordination site”, reflecting this mobility.^{113,114}

The differences between the two coordination patterns of phosphorodithioato ligands in **60** are reflected in the different values of the S—P—S bond angle (see Table 11). Thus, formation of a four-membered chelate ring MoS₂P, forces a diminished value of this angle, which is in the range 105–108° (compared with the ideal tetrahedral value of 109°), while bridging S₂P(OR)₂ ligand displays a broader S—P—S angle (115–117°).

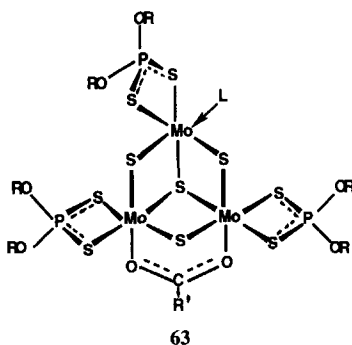
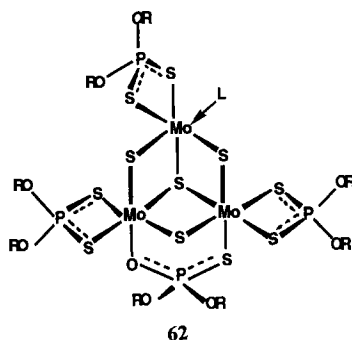
If the “loose coordination site” is occupied by a strong bidentate donor, like bipyridyl, this can force the phosphorodithioato ligand coordinated to the same site to become monodentate, as in **61**, a structure found in Mo₃S₄{S₂P(OEt)₂}₄ · bipy.¹¹⁵ This is a rare, if not unique, example of a compound containing simultaneously three different types of coordinated phosphorodithioate ligand in the same molecule: monodentate, bidentate chelating and bridging.



The P—S bond lengths and S—P—S bond angles in the three types of ligand (Table 11) differ in agreement with the coordination patterns. Thus, in the monodentate ligand P—S 1.998 Å, P=S 1.901 Å; S—P—S 120.8°; in the bidentate ligands P—S bond lengths are in the range 1.943–1.985 Å and S—P—S 107.5° (av.), while in the bridge P—S 1.969 and 1.976 Å and S—P—S 115.7°.¹¹⁵

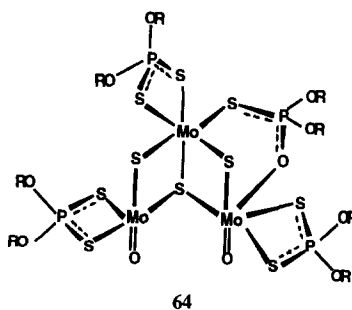
The bridging phosphorodithioato group in **61** can be replaced by other ligands, notably monothiophosphato (phosphorothioato) groups, as in **62**, or carboxylato groups, as in **63**. While

compounds of type **62**, e.g. $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3\{\text{SOP}(\text{OEt})_2\} \cdot \text{L}$ ($\text{L} = \text{oxazole}$)¹¹⁶ may have been formed by accidental hydrolysis of tetrakis(phosphorodithioato) complexes,



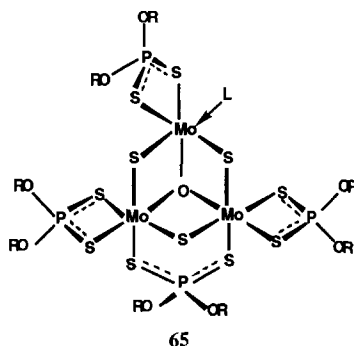
carboxylato-bridged complexes **63**, $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3(\mu_2\text{-R}'\text{COO})(\text{L})$, with $\text{R}' = \text{H}$, $\text{L} = \text{pyridine}$,¹¹⁷ $\text{R}' = \text{Me}$, $\text{L} = \text{pyridine}$,^{117,118} MeCN ,¹¹⁹ and $\text{R}' = \text{Et}$, $\text{L} = \text{pyridine}$,¹²⁰ have been prepared and studied in a systematic way. For crystal data and molecular dimensions see Table 11.

Oxidation of trinuclear complexes may lead to ruptured structures such as **64**, which contain a monothiophosphato (phosphorothioato) bridge and two oxomolybdenum centres, in addition to the chelating phosphorodithioates. Such a structure has been found in the compound $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_3\text{O}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3\{\text{SOP}(\text{OEt})_2\}$. The phosphorodithioato ligands are chelating and the phosphoro(mono)thioato group is bridging.¹²¹



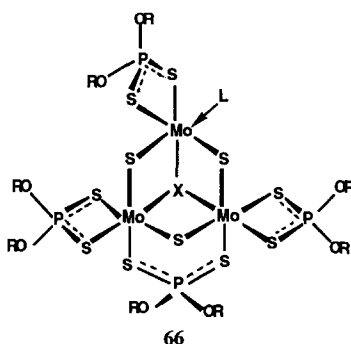
A related family of trinuclear phosphorodithioato complexes is based upon the $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_3\text{O}$ core, in which the central, triply bridging sulphur atom in a capping position, has been replaced by oxygen.

Thus, complexes of type **65**, with L = oxazole¹⁰⁹ and imidazole,¹²² have been structurally investigated. The available crystal data are listed in Table 11.

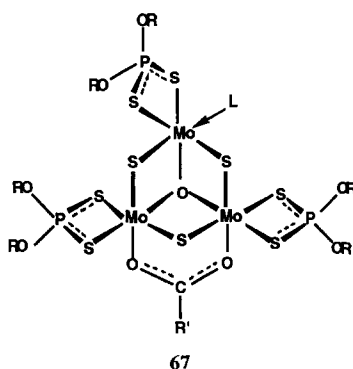


Here, the two different coordination patterns of the phosphorodithioato ligands lead to differing P—S interatomic distances and S—P—S bond angles, as found in Mo_3S_4 derivatives above.

Mixed species, with approximately 50–50% degree of occupancy of the central site X by oxygen and sulphur, **66**, have also been described, e.g. $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_3(\text{O},\text{S})\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_4 \cdot \text{L}$ with L = thiourea.^{105,123}

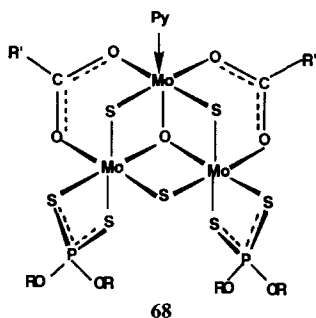


The phosphorodithioato bridge can be replaced by a carboxylato bridge, as illustrated by $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_3\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3(\text{OAc})\text{Py}$ (**67**).¹²⁴

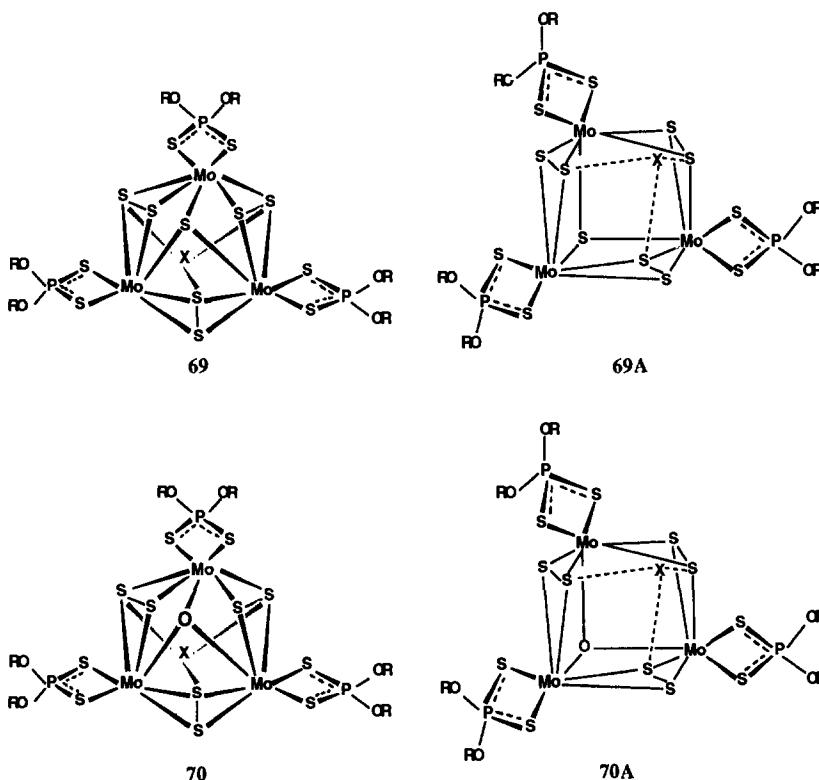


A further development is a structural change in the trinuclear complexes, where the bridging and one of the chelating phosphorodithioato ligands are replaced by two carboxylato bridges. This

results in a structure such as **68**, with two chelating ligands. Examples are $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_3\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2(\text{OAc})_2\text{Py}$,¹²⁵ and $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_3\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2(\text{BzCOO})_2\text{Py}$.¹²⁶

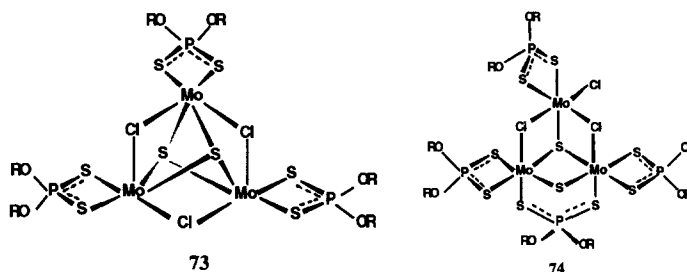


More complex structures, but related to those discussed above, are formed with three disulphido bridges between the molybdenum atoms. While maintaining the main features of previous structures, an additional halogen atom weakly interacts with three sulphur atoms, as observed in $\text{Mo}_3(\text{S}_2)_3\text{S}(\text{X})\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3$ (**69**) with $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$,^{92,127} and $\text{X} = \text{I}$,¹²⁸ and $\text{Mo}_3(\text{S}_2)_3(\text{O})(\text{X})\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3$ (**70**) with $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$,¹²⁹ and $\text{X} = \text{I}$.^{130,131} The structures could also be shown as complete cubes, with a site occupied by a halogen (**69a** and **70a**).

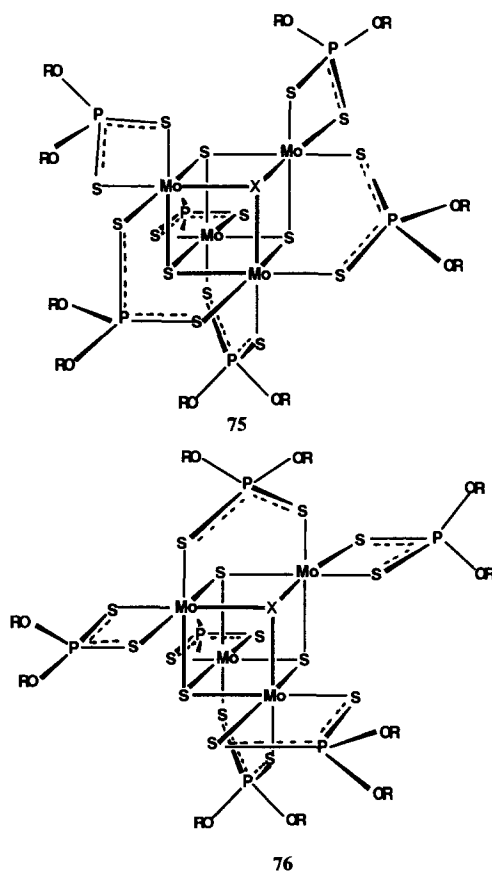


Double trinuclear units, as in $\text{Cl}[\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_7\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3]_2[\text{FeCl}_4]$ (**71**)¹³² and the related oxo derivative $\text{Cl}[\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_6\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3]_2[\text{FeCl}_4]$ (**72**),¹³³ are formed by sharing a chlorine atom via $\text{S}\dots\text{Cl}$ (semi)bonds (2.936–3.145 Å).

Trinuclear molybdenum phosphorodithioato complexes are also known, in which halogen bridges are part of the central core bonding the molybdenum atoms together. Thus, in $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3$ the phosphorodithioato ligands occupy only chelating positions (structure **73**)¹³⁴ while in $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_4$ an additional bridging phosphorodithioato ligand forces one chlorine atom into a monodentate position (structure **74**).¹³⁵



(iv) Tetranuclear complexes. A fairly large number of phosphorodithioato molybdenum complexes are formed about a central Mo_4S_4 or $\text{Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{O}$ cubane core, with the general composition $\text{Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{X}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_6$ (where $\text{X} = \text{S}$ or O).¹³⁶ Two isomeric forms are possible: an α -isomer, with three bridging and three chelating phosphorodithioato ligands, $\alpha\text{-Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{X}\{\mu\text{-S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_3$, **75**, and the β -isomer, with two bridging and four chelating phosphorodithioato ligands, $\beta\text{-Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{X}\{\mu\text{-S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_4$, **76**. The $\beta\text{-Mo}_4\text{S}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ complex has been reported by two groups.^{136,137}

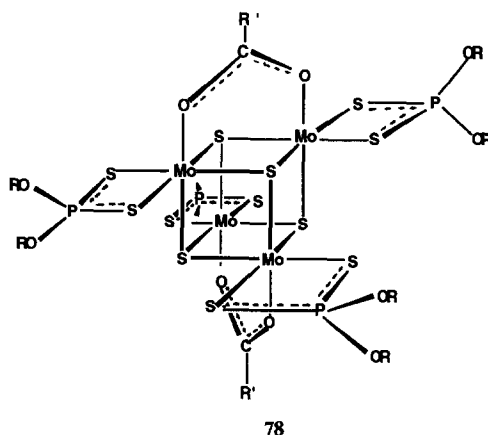


Similar compounds with $\text{X} = \text{O}$, i.e. $\alpha\text{-Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ (structure **75**, $\text{X} = \text{O}$),¹³⁸ $\beta\text{-Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ (structure **76**, $\text{X} = \text{O}$),¹³⁹ and $\alpha\text{-Mo}_4\text{S}_3\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6 \cdot 3\text{MeCN}$ (**77**)¹⁴⁰ have been reported.

Compounds whose structures have been established by X-ray diffraction are listed in Table 12 which shows the obvious differences between the molecular dimensions of the bridging and chelating ligands.

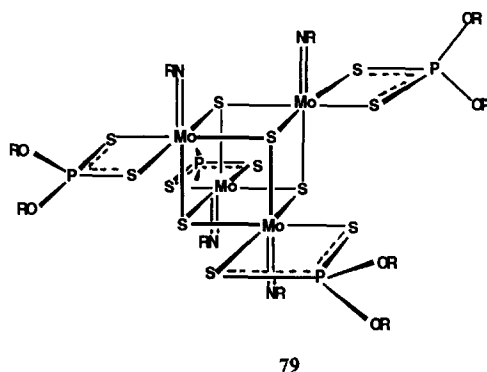
The two bridges of the β -structure can be replaced by carboxylato bridges, resulting in formation of $\text{Mo}_4\text{S}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_4(\mu\text{-RCOO})_2$, **78**. Several such compounds are known, including Mo_4S_4

$\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(\mu-OAc)_2$,¹⁴¹ $Mo_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(\mu-OAc)_2H$,¹⁴² and $Mo_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(\mu-PhCOO)_2$ ¹⁴³ (see Table 12).



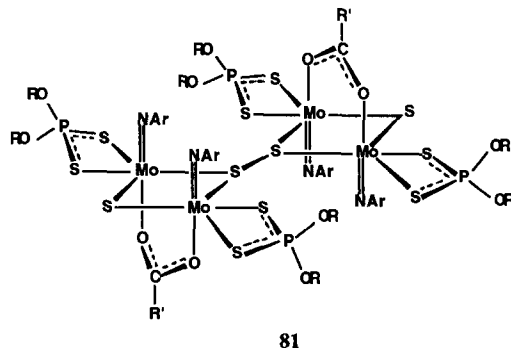
The exchange of bridging phosphorodithioato ligands for carboxylato ligands, while the chelating groups are maintained, suggests that the latter are more strongly bound.

The compound $Mo_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(NC_6H_4Me-p)_4$ also contains a cubic core, but the structure is constructed differently. Each molybdenum atom forms a chelate MoS_2P ring and a $Mo=N$ bond with the arylimido group, as shown in **79**.¹⁴⁴



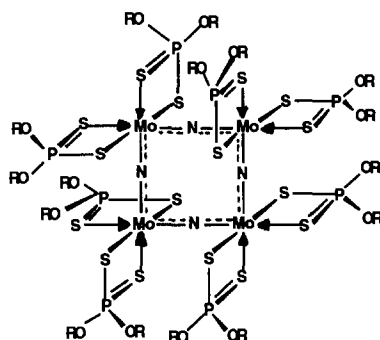
A related compound, $Mo_4S_4O_2\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(NC_6H_4Me-p)_2$, **80**, has also been reported.⁹³ It differs from **79** only by replacement of two NAr yl by two oxo groups.

A completely different structure was found in the compound $Mo_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(NC_6H_4Me-p)(\mu-OCCF_3)_2$.¹⁴⁵ This complex is in fact a dimer consisting of two dinuclear units, joined by an $S-S$ bond, **81** ($R' = CF_3$). Compound **81** contains only chelating phosphorodithioato ligands.



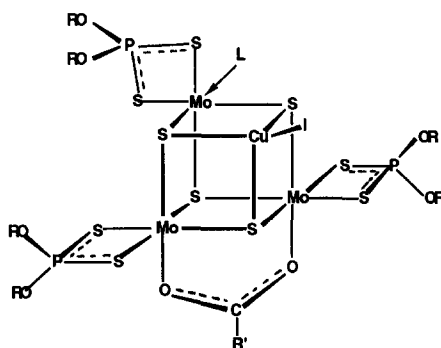
The compound $Mo_4N_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_8$ is based upon on a rare monocyclic Mo_4N_4 skeleton, **82**. The square Mo_4N_4 ring is almost planar and each molybdenum atom participates in two additional MoS_2P chelate rings. The $Mo-N$ bond lengths are practically equal (1.862–1.870 Å) and indicate some degree of double bonding, while the $Mo-S$ and $P-S$ interatomic distances are nonequivalent.¹⁴⁶ Short $Mo-S$ bonds (range 2.469–2.510 Å) are associated with long $P-S$ bonds (range

1.993–2.020 Å) and long Mo—S bonds (range 2.637–2.680 Å) pair with short P—S bonds (range 1.955–1.990 Å).¹⁴⁶ Therefore, coordination pattern **2** probably best describes the ligand structure here.



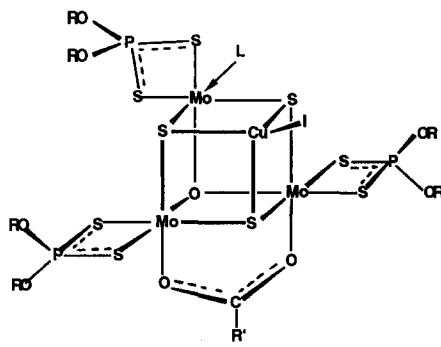
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(v) Heterometallic molybdenum phosphorodithioates. Trinuclear molybdenum complexes can be converted into complete cubanes by inserting a metal atom in the vacant position of structure **58b**. Several cubane structures **83** in which one corner of the cube is occupied by a CuI unit have been reported, e.g. $\text{Mo}_3\text{CuS}_4(\text{I})\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3(\mu\text{-R}'\text{COO})(\text{L})$, with $\text{R}' = \text{H}$, $\text{L} = \text{Py}$,¹⁴⁷ $\text{R}' = \text{Me}$, $\text{L} = \text{H}_2\text{O}$,¹⁴⁸ DMF ,¹⁴⁹ DMSO ,¹⁴⁸ $\text{R}' = \text{CCl}_3$, $\text{L} = \text{MeCN}$ ¹⁵⁰ and $\text{R}' = \text{Ph}$, $\text{L} = \text{Py}$.¹⁴⁸ Their structures contain only chelating phosphorodithioato ligands. Molecular dimensions are listed in Table 13.



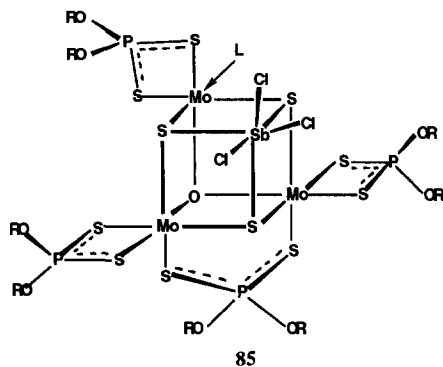
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One of the sulphur atoms of the cubane unit can be replaced by oxygen, to form $\text{Mo}_3\text{CuS}_3\text{O}(\text{I})\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3(\mu\text{-OAc})(\text{L})$, (**84**) $\text{L} = \text{Py}$, DMF .¹⁵¹



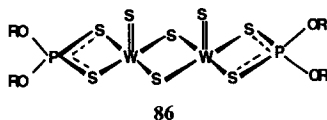
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An SbCl_3 molecule can also be inserted in the corner of the cube, as shown in **85**, and the compounds $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4\text{SbCl}_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$,¹⁵² $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4\text{SbCl}_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_4 \cdot \text{oxazole}$ ^{152,153} and $\text{Mo}_3\text{S}_4\text{SbCl}_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_4 \cdot \text{EtOH}$ ^{152,154} have been investigated.

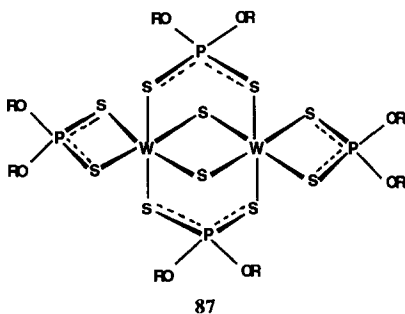


c. Tungsten. The chemistry of tungsten phosphorodithioato complexes appears very similar to that of molybdenum, but far fewer compounds have been investigated structurally. Some structural differences are, however, observed.

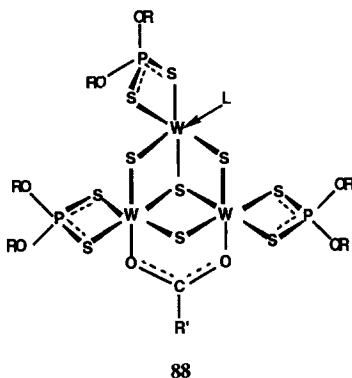
The dinuclear compound $\text{W}_2\text{S}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2$ contains a double sulphur bridge and two chelating phosphorodithioato ligands, **86**,^{91,155} and is similar to its molybdenum analogue. Two crystalline forms of this compound were obtained, depending on the synthesis method used.¹⁵⁶



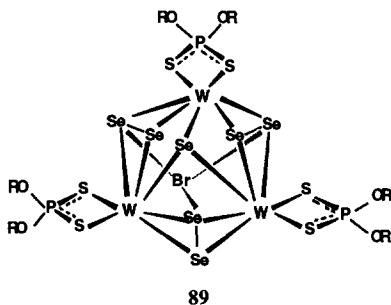
A compound of composition $\text{W}_2\text{S}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_4$ differs from its molybdenum counterpart in that the tungsten compound contains two bridging and two chelating ligands, **87**,¹⁵⁷ whereas the molybdenum compound (structure **51**) contains only chelating ligands. In **87** the chelating ligands are isobidentate and the bridging groups are symmetric (coordination pattern **10**). Unlike the four-membered chelate WS_2P rings, the five-membered $\text{W}_2\text{S}_2\text{P}$ rings present in this structure are not planar. The W—S bonds to chelating ligands (av. 2.57 Å) are longer than those to bridging ligands (av. 2.48 Å). As usual, the bridging S—P—S bond angle (114.4°) is larger than the chelating S—P—S bond angle (106.70°).¹⁵⁷



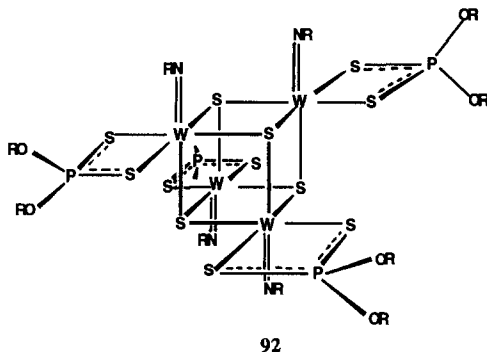
A trinuclear compound $W_3S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_3(\mu-OAc)(pyridine)^{158}$ has structure **88** ($R' = Me$, $L = Py$), which is reminiscent of the molybdenum analogue.



The trinuclear compound $W_3Se_7Br\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_3$ has no molybdenum counterpart in terms of composition (no molybdenum–selenium core of this type in a phosphorodithioate) but the structural type **89** is similar to **69**. The ligand is isobidentate.¹⁵⁹

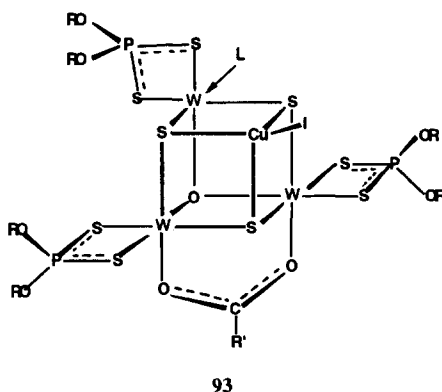


Cubane clusters (both α - and β -isomers) similar to those of molybdenum are also known for tungsten, i.e. α - $W_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_6$ (**90**),¹⁶⁰ β - $W_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_6$ (**91**),¹³⁶ and $W_4S_4\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_4(NC_6H_4Me-p)_4$ (**92**).¹⁶¹



Several cubane structures containing tungsten and copper, of the general formula $W_3CuS_4(I)\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_3(\mu-R'COO)(L)$, with $R' = Me$, $L = MeCN$,¹⁶² Py ,^{163,164} $R' = CCl_3$, $L = MeCN$ ¹⁶⁵ and $R' = Ph$, $L = MeCN$,¹⁶⁶ have been investigated crystallographically. Their structure of type **93** is similar to that of molybdenum analogues (structure **83**).

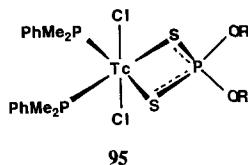
Crystal data and molecular dimensions of tungsten phosphorodithioato complexes are collected in Table 14.



7. Group 7: Mn, Tc, Re

Attempts to prepare manganese phosphorodithioato complexes resulted in the formation of ionic $[\text{Mn}(\text{phen})_3][\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2]_2$ (**94**), in which the metal is octahedrally coordinated only by *ortho*-phenanthroline, leaving the phosphorodithioate as counter-ion, outside the coordination sphere.¹⁶⁷ The P—S bonds in the anion are in the range 1.942–1.956 Å and the S—P—S bond angle (av. 118.50°) is broader than tetrahedral.

In spite of the rarity of technetium compounds, a phosphorodithioato complex of this metal, $\text{TcCl}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2$ (**95**) has been investigated by X-ray diffraction. The compound displays an octahedral coordination geometry with isobidentate chelating phosphorodithioate (Tc—S 2.475 Å, P—S 1.992 Å).¹⁶⁸

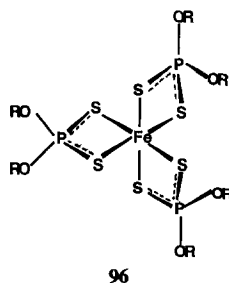


The crystal data are collected in Table 15.

No rhenium phosphorodithioato crystal structure has been reported so far in the literature.

8. Group 8: Fe, Ru, Os

a. Iron. The iron(III) phosphorodithioato complexes investigated by X-ray diffraction $\text{Fe}[\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2]_3$ with $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ¹⁶⁹ and Pr^t ¹⁷⁰ display an octahedral geometry, **96**, with three isobidentate chelating ligands. The octahedron is distorted by a twist angle of 20° between the two triangular faces of the octahedron (compared with a twist angle of 60° for the ideal octahedron).



The iron(II) complex $\text{NMe}_4[\text{FeCl}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2]$ displays trigonal bipyramidal geometry **97** with practically isobidentate ligands.¹⁶⁹ As expected axial Fe—S bonds (2.570 and 2.603 Å) are somewhat longer than equatorial Fe—S bonds (2.427 and 2.450 Å) and this induces some asymmetry in the P—S bonds as well (1.971–1.990 Å).

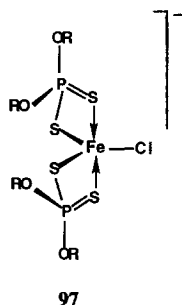
Table 14. Crystal structure data for tungsten phosphorodithioato complexes (R = Et in compound **86**)

Structure no.	R' L	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.				
86	form A	P2 ₁ /n	10.122	—	2.005	2.003	2.471	2.476	102.0	89.7	89.8	chel	155	
			12.813	90.25	2.009	1.997	2.467	2.487	102.9	89.0	88.7	chel		
			18.267	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	form A	P2 ₁ /n	18.230	—	2.012	2.022	2.483	2.473	102.3	89.2	89.4	chel		156
			12.905	90.5	1.992	2.022	2.498	2.473	103.8	88.3	88.2	chel		
			10.153	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	form B	P2 ₁ /a	14.045	—	2.002	2.011	2.467	2.466	101.5	89.5	89.3	chel		91
			10.341	113.09	1.993	2.009	2.482	2.475	102.6	89.1	89.0	chel		
			17.994	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	form B	P2 ₁ /a	13.844	—	2.000	2.016	2.438	2.430	100.3	89.7	89.6	chel		156
			10.280	113.2	2.019	1.998	2.480	2.477	101.7	89.5	90.0	chel		
			17.907	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
87		P2 ₁ /n	10.905	—	1.988	2.002	2.561	2.582	106.8	88.7	87.5	chel	157	
			13.784	110.48	2.012	2.009	2.507	2.461	114.4	103.9	105.6	bridge		
			13.360	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
88	Me, Py	P $\bar{1}$	13.939	101.08	1.975	1.999	2.551	2.509	106.1	87.7	88.4	chel	158	
			16.018	105.69	1.979	1.997	2.569	2.535	107.4	87.1	87.7	chel		
			9.627	77.64	1.953	1.986	2.557	2.507	106.5	87.8	88.5	chel		
89		P2 ₁ /c	13.169	—	1.983	1.972	2.515	2.531	103.1	90.4	90.2	chel	159	
			22.651	121.09	2.034	2.025	2.553	2.548	103.5	89.4	89.7	chel		
			15.067	—	2.040	2.040	2.568	2.548	107.3	86.2	88.0	chel		
90		P $\bar{1}$	14.063	92.06	1.961	2.000	2.543	2.560	106.4	88.0	88.4	chel	160	
			16.289	95.24	1.990	1.980	2.546	2.547	106.8	87.3	87.7	chel		
			13.377	73.06	1.970	1.985	2.542	2.552	107.5	86.0	86.6	chel		
			—	—	1.967	1.990	2.564	2.574	116.9	107.2	107.7	bridge		
			—	—	1.970	2.010	2.561	2.567	116.7	107.5	107.6	bridge		
			—	—	2.000	1.987	2.558	2.577	117.0	107.7	108.8	bridge		
91		P2/n	12.807	—	2.019	1.979	2.559	2.556	107.5	86.7	87.6	chel	136a	
			17.195	97.33	1.960	1.988	2.585	2.539	107.3	87.5	88.2	chel		
			13.488	—	1.926	1.926	2.546	2.546	123.2	111.2	111.2	bridge		
			—	—	2.047	2.047	2.580	2.580	103.6 ^a	123.2 ^a	123.2 ^a	bridge		
			—	—	1.985	1.987	2.539	2.538	107.1	87.3	87.2	chel		
92	Ar = <i>p</i> -Tol	P $\bar{1}$	14.650	101.82	1.985	1.987	2.539	2.538	107.1	87.3	87.2	chel	161	
			19.133	104.61	1.983	1.988	2.557	2.535	107.6	85.6	86.1	chel		
			13.073	75.92	1.992	1.996	2.561	2.543	107.7	85.2	85.6	chel		
			—	—	1.987	1.994	2.523	2.559	106.5	88.3	87.2	chel		
93	Me, MeCN	P $\bar{1}$	10.152	111.00	1.973	1.992	2.554	2.499	106.7	87.1	88.0	chel	162	
			14.325	104.43	1.994	1.980	2.521	2.559	107.3	86.6	85.8	chel		
			15.935	97.89	1.983	1.995	2.543	2.496	105.8	87.5	87.5	chel		
93	Me, Py	P2 ₁ /n	14.196	—	1.984	2.003	2.554	2.506	105.8	87.7	88.6	chel	163, 164	
			17.203	86.02	1.998	2.000	2.573	2.526	106.5	86.8	88.1	chel		
			18.075	—	1.981	2.005	2.562	2.499	105.7	87.5	88.8	chel		
93	CCl ₃ , MeCN	P $\bar{1}$	11.684	103.88	1.971	2.014	2.567	2.504	107.0	86.5	87.4	chel	165	
			14.243	109.01	1.984	2.008	2.537	2.476	104.9	87.9	89.1	chel		
			15.455	65.64	1.981	1.997	2.533	2.487	105.6	87.3	88.2	chel		
93	Ph, MeCN	P $\bar{1}$	11.645	96.15	2.004	1.985	2.521	2.563	106.7	87.7	86.9	chel	166	
			18.565	113.65	1.959	2.007	2.496	2.556	107.3	86.9	87.4	chel		
			11.292	93.77	2.002	1.971	2.487	2.549	105.8	87.3	86.2	chel		

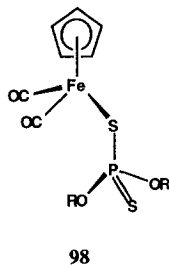
^aBecause of large thermal parameters of the phosphorus atom these data are of low quality.

Table 15. Crystal structure data for Group 7 metal (Mn, Tc, Re) phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	a b c	α β γ	P—S		M—S		S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.	
94 ^a	Et	P $\bar{1}$	17.340	84.66	1.946	1.924	—	—	118.3	—	—	ionic	167
			12.738	115.46	1.942	1.956	—	—	118.7	—	—	ionic	
			12.651	115.94									
95	Me	Pbcn	16.207	—	1.992	1.992	2.475	2.475	106.1	86.9	86.9	chel	168
			10.445	—									
			14.878	—									

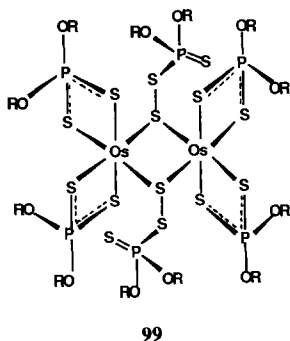
^a Amended data.

Three cyclopentadienyliron dicarbonyl phosphorodithioates, $\eta^5\text{-CpFe}(\text{CO})_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}$ with $\text{Cp} = \text{C}_5\text{H}_5$, $\text{R} = \text{Et}$,¹⁷¹ Pr^{i172} and $\text{Cp} = \text{C}_5\text{Me}_5$, $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^{i173}$ contain monodentate ligands in a typical piano-stool structure **98**. Molecular dimensions are given in Table 16.



b. Ruthenium. No ruthenium phosphorodithioate crystal structure has been determined.

c. Osmium. The only relevant osmium compound which has been investigated by X-ray diffraction, contains two trithio $(\text{Pr}^i\text{O})_2(\text{S})\text{PSS}$ ligands in an unusual bridging configuration **99** and four phosphorodithioato chelating ligands.^{174,175}

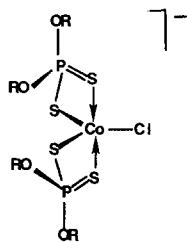


The molecular dimensions are listed in Table 16.

9. Group 9: Co, Rh, Ir

a. Cobalt. The octahedral $\text{Co}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_3$ complex (**100**) displays a twofold symmetry axis through Co and P(1) and the ligands are isobidentate chelating.¹⁷⁶ A hemihydrate $\text{Co}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3 \cdot 1/2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (**101**) has also been investigated.¹⁷⁷

Five-coordinate cobalt(II) is also present in $[\text{NMe}_4][\text{CoCl}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2]$, which displays trigonal bipyramidal geometry **104**.¹⁶⁹ The non-equivalence of P—S (short 1.964 and 1.965 Å, long 1.996 and 2.000 Å) and Co—S bonds (long 2.615 and 2.651 Å, short 2.337 and 2.358 Å) is similar to that noted in the neutral triphenylphosphine adduct cited above.

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Six-coordinate cobalt(II) occurs in $\text{Co}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot 2\text{Py}$ (**105**).¹⁸¹ Molecular dimensions of cobalt complexes are listed in Table 17.

b. Rhodium. No rhodium phosphorodithioato complexes seem to have been structurally investigated by X-ray diffraction.

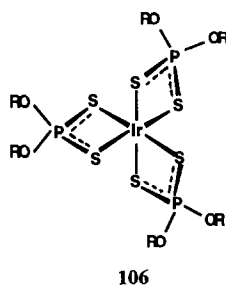
c. Iridium. Only one iridium phosphorodithioate, $\text{Ir}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_3$, **106**, has been investigated by X-ray diffraction,¹⁸² which shows the presence of two independent molecules in the unit cell. The ligand is anisobidentate and the molecular dimensions are given in Table 17. A curiosity of this compound is the non-equivalence of the three ligands in the coordination octahedron, as seen from

Table 17. Crystal structure data for Group 9 (Co, Rh, Ir) metal phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	a			α			P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	type	Bond Ref.
			b	c	β	γ								
100	Me	C2/c	13.895	—	1.981	1.983	2.315	2.340	103.5	86.6	85.9	chel	176	
			11.084	97.81	1.986	1.986	2.312	2.312	102.3	86.8	86.8	chel		
			13.020	—										
101	Et	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	9.805	89.46	2.007	1.992	2.321	2.313	103.2	85.5	86.1	chel	177	
			9.812	89.42	2.007	2.003	2.314	2.326	103.0	85.7	86.2	chel		
			14.271	86.95	2.004	2.017	2.318	2.320	102.8	85.8	86.0	chel		
102	Et	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	18.644	84.99	1.968	1.970	2.680	2.650	118.1	110.7	108.1	bridge	178	
			11.694	82.61	1.950	1.969	2.642	2.622	119.1	110.0	109.6	bridge		
			9.487	73.48										
103	Me	$\text{P}2_1/\text{n}$	26.712	—	1.941	2.010	2.569	2.325	109.0	81.4	86.5	chel	179, 180	
			9.495	95.43	1.961	1.997	2.664	2.333	111.6	78.6	86.6	chel		
			11.180	—										
104	Me	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	7.164	84.59	2.000	1.965	2.337	2.615	111.1	86.3	79.6	chel	169	
			8.612	84.63	1.996	1.964	2.358	2.651	110.4	87.5	80.3	chel		
			16.504	89.41										
105	Et	$\text{P}2_1/\text{c}$	8.117	—	1.975	1.976	2.506	2.524	111.1	84.3	83.9	chel	181	
			17.183	104.19										
			9.901	—										
106	Pr^i	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	8.970	98.54	A^a								182	
			10.513	88.87	1.949	1.957	2.436	2.394	104.7	87.4	88.4	chel		
			19.107	98.18	2.014	2.034	2.373	2.334	102.1	86.6	87.2	chel		
					2.003	2.054	2.382	2.390	101.1	88.9	87.7	chel		
					B^a									
					2.062	2.085	2.376	2.341	99.0	88.2	88.6	chel		
		1.978	1.984	2.417	2.456	103.3	89.4	88.1	chel					
		1.965	2.032	2.413	2.413	104.2	87.8	86.3	chel					

^aTwo independent molecules in the unit cell.

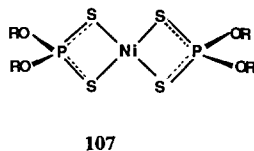
the P—S and Ir—S bond lengths and the S—P—S bond angles. From the P—S distances it appears that two of the ligands are reasonably symmetrically coordinated in each independent molecule, but the third is in each case anisobidentate. It is a curious compound though with such a variation in P—S lengths between ligands.



10. Group 10: Ni, Pd, Pt

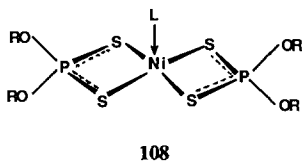
a. Nickel. Nickel(II) phosphorodithioates seem to be another class of complexes favoured by crystallographers, as they are surpassed only by the number of molybdenum compounds investigated. Crystal data and molecular dimensions for nickel phosphorodithioato complexes are collected in Table 18.

Square planar nickel(II) complexes, **107**, were among the first metal phosphorodithioates to be investigated by X-ray diffraction and now the structures of $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2$ with $\text{R} = \text{Me}$,¹⁸³ Et,¹⁸⁴⁻¹⁸⁶ Pr,¹⁸⁷ Prⁱ,^{188,189} cyclo-C₆H₁₁,¹⁹⁰ are known. Derivative of diols, such as 1,1'-biphenyl-2,2'-diol¹⁹¹ and 1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diol¹⁹² have also been studied.



The nickel(II) phosphorodithioates display the tendency to coordinate one or two additional donor molecules, forming five- and six-coordinate adducts, respectively.

Five-coordinate complexes are obtained with bulky or sterically demanding donor molecules. Thus, tertiary phosphine adducts $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{L}$ with $\text{R} = \text{Me}$, $\text{L} = \text{PMe}_3$,¹⁹³ and $\text{R} = \text{Et}$, $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$ ¹⁹⁴ are square pyramidal compounds, **108**, with the metal atom *ca* 0.5 Å above the basal plane of four sulphur atoms from the two basically isobidentate ligands.



Other five-coordinate adducts investigated are $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{quinoline}$ (tetragonal pyramidal, **108**, $\text{L} = \text{quin}$)¹⁹⁵ and $2\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{DABCO}$ (binuclear with two distorted tetragonal pyramidal coordination centres) **109**.¹⁹⁶

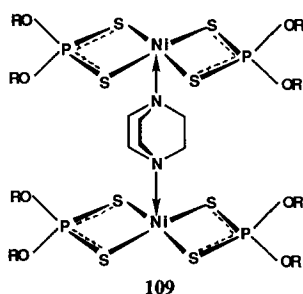
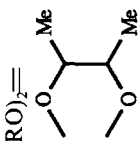


Table 18. Crystal structure data for nickel phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	L	Space group	a	b	c	α	β	γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.
107	Me		Pbca	10.290	8.640	—	—	—	—	1.979	2.225	1.027	84.4	chel	183
107	Et		P2 ₁ /c	16.356	10.48	10.22	—	—	102.50	1.947	2.213	103.1	84.7	chel	185
107	Et		P2 ₁ /c	8.62	10.493	10.300	—	—	102.59	1.986	2.230	103.1	84.3	chel	186
107	Pr ^r		P2 ₁ /n	8.760	8.165	—	—	—	—	1.978	2.220	102.5	84.8	chel	187
107	Pr ^r		Bb	8.706	14.935	—	—	—	—	1.999	2.230	102.5	84.1	chel	187
107	Pr ^r		C2/c	14.160	18.094	10.323	—	—	61.02	2.002	2.214	102.5	84.6	chel	188
107	Pr ^r		C2/c	14.177	14.047	10.338	—	—	109.71	1.985	2.231	102.2	84.6	chel	188
107	Cy		P2 ₁ /n	16.807	11.802	9.336	—	—	96.72	1.991	2.227	101.7	84.9	chel	189
107	(RO) ₂ == biph		P2 ₁ /c	9.990	7.827	16.483	—	—	—	1.982	2.221	101.7	84.9	chel	190
107	(RO) ₂ == binaph		P2 ₁ /c	14.177	9.990	7.827	—	—	99.71	1.972	2.226	105.0	82.8	chel	191
107	(RO) ₂ == binaph		P2 ₁ /c	16.483	9.630	10.171	—	—	—	1.971	2.242	106.1	81.9	chel	192
108	Me	PMe ₃	P $\bar{1}$	13.001	9.418	13.780	—	—	99.483	1.966	2.249	106.9	79.9	chel	193
108	Et	PPh ₃	P $\bar{1}$	12.985	13.748	12.985	—	—	99.58	1.969	2.395	107.2	84.4	chel	194
				99.10	99.10	99.10	—	—	99.10	1.960	2.436	107.2	84.4	chel	194

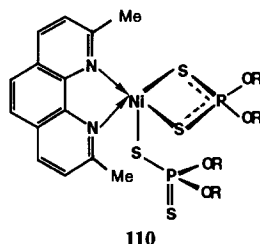
Table 18—continued.

Structure no.	R	L	Space group	α			P—S	M—S		S—P—S	M—S—P		Bond type	Ref.
				a	b	c		M—S	S—P—S		M—S—P			
108	Me	quin	C2/c	15.61	—	—	1.99	2.42	106.8	84.8	84.7	chel	195	
				10.11	101.3	—	1.99	2.43	105.5	85.2	84.6	chel		
109	Et	P $\bar{1}$	P $\bar{1}$	13.171	105.15	—	1.969	2.426	109.1	83.6	82.4	chel	196	
				8.333	102.32	—	1.977	2.437	110.4	83.0	92.9	chel		
110	Me	P2 $_1$ /c	P2 $_1$ /c	10.602	90.93	—	1.913	2.583	111.1	80.2	86.7	chel	195	
				7.86	92.50	—	1.937	—	116.8	—	114.7	uni		
110	(RO) $_2$	P2 $_1$ /c	P2 $_1$ /c	20.007	—	—	1.936	2.398	117.2	—	111.3	uni	197	
				11.599	107.65	—	1.955	2.499	108.0	83.0	86.7	chel		
111	Et	Py	P2 $_1$ /c	8.11	—	—	1.98	2.49	110.4	84.2	83.7	chel	198	
				17.89	104.8	—	—	—	—	—	—			
111	Bu n	Py	P2 $_1$ /c	13.753	113.8	—	1.971	2.486	111.7	82.0	82.6	chel	199	
				9.94	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
111	Cy	Py	P $\bar{1}$	15.306	99.25	—	1.821	2.302	118.8	83.1	83.0	chel	200	
				8.438	93.46	—	—	—	—	—	—			
111	Cy	BzNH $_2$	P2/c	14.885	92.01	—	1.976	2.490	110.9	82.6	82.7	chel	201	
				6.366	—	—	—	—	—	—	—			
112	Bu n	P2 $_1$ /n	P2 $_1$ /n	19.553	110.36	—	1.961	2.590	111.1	81.0	83.4	chel	202	
				12.274	—	—	1.959	2.565	111.8	82.4	85.0	chel		
113	Me	bipy	C2/c	12.131	—	—	1.970	2.519	111.8	82.2	83.0	chel	203	
				15.102	121.06	—	—	—	—	—	—			
113	Bu n	bipy	P $\bar{1}$	13.972	—	—	1.951	2.466	112.1	82.5	83.4	chel	204	
				9.469	69.64	—	1.944	2.463	111.9	82.7	83.6	chel		
				14.638	71.16	—	—	—	—	—	—			
				14.637	89.99	—	—	—	—	—	—			



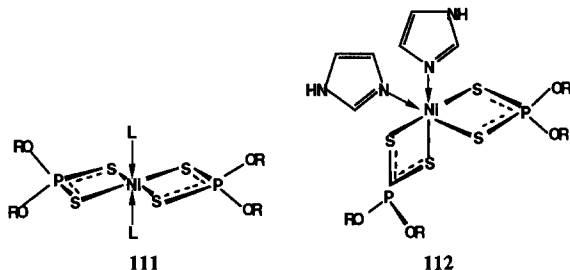
113	Me	phen (yellow green)	P ₂ /c	6.61 18.57 18.86	— 100.17 —	1.97 1.97	1.97 1.97	2.50 2.52	2.47 2.48	110.8 111.6	83.4 83.0	84.2 84.1	chel chel	195
113	Me	phen (bright green)	P ₂ /c	14.914 9.333 23.359	— 135.95 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	205
113	Et	phen	C ₂ /c	15.500 17.400 10.347	— 101.21 —	1.959	1.972	2.509	2.471	110.2	84.1	84.8	chel	206
113	Et	TMED	P ₂ /n	22.281 21.597 13.237	— 126.42 —	1.969 1.967 1.965	1.969 1.972 1.976	2.504 2.500 2.502	2.547 2.543 2.554	110.8 109.8 109.6	85.2 86.0 86.5	84.1 84.6 84.8	chel chel chel	207
113	Et	DPED	C ₂ /c	13.96 17.89 11.88	— 96.43 —	1.974 1.981	1.981 1.981	2.459	2.505	110.4	84.6	83.3	chel	208
114	Bu ^r		P ₂ /n	16.806 12.720 21.248	— 98.154 —	1.960 1.894	1.984 1.943	2.496	2.499	111.1 120.0	82.7	83.2	chel ionic	209
115	Cy	R' = Bu ^r	P $\bar{1}$	13.513 16.040 12.891	95.66 90.23 75.46	1.953 1.960	1.960 1.969	2.549	2.624	111.1 117.6	84.0	85.9	chel ionic	210
116	Me		C ₂ /c	24.885 11.313 19.771	— 131.65 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	205
117	Et		P $\bar{1}$	9.029 13.432 17.246	108.9 90.2 109.4	1.939	1.999	2.264	2.247	105.1	83.7	82.8	chel	211

In the adduct with 2,9-dimethyl-phenanthroline, $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2 \cdot 2,9\text{-Me}_2\text{phen}$, the dinitrogen ligand displaces one sulphur from the coordination sphere, with the formation of an unusual complex containing both didentate and monodentate phosphorodithioato ligands, **110**. The coordination geometry is intermediate between square pyramidal and trigonal bipyramidal.¹⁹⁵

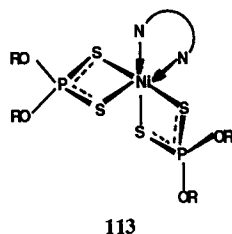


A similar geometry was found in $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCMe}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{O})\}_2 \cdot 2,9\text{-Me}_2\text{phen}$.¹⁹⁷

Trans-octahedral complexes of type **111**, e.g. $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot 2\text{Py}$ with $\text{R} = \text{Et}$,¹⁹⁸ Bu^n ,¹⁹⁹ Cy^{200} and $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCy})_2\}_2 \cdot 2\text{PhCH}_2\text{NH}_2$ ²⁰¹ have been investigated, but surprisingly, the bisimidazole adduct $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{O}i\text{Bu}^n)_2\}_2 \cdot 2\text{imidazole}$ is a *cis*-complex **112**.²⁰²

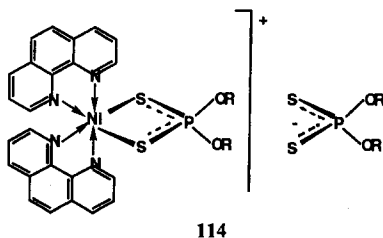


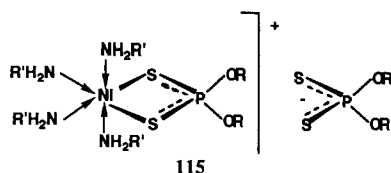
A *cis*-configuration of type **113** is imposed by polycyclic tertiary amines such as bipyridyl and orthophenanthroline, and has been found in $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{bipy}$ with $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ²⁰³ and Bu^n ,²⁰⁴ and in $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{phen}$ with $\text{R} = \text{Me}$ ^{195,205} and Et .²⁰⁶ Similarly, the adducts of substituted ethylenediamines $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{TMED}$ ²⁰⁷ and $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{DPED}$,²⁰⁸ are also *cis*-octahedral complexes.



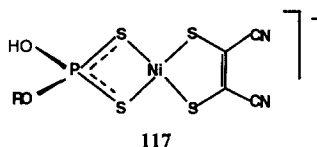
In all the nitrogen-base *cis*-adducts and Ni—S bonds become non-equivalent, as a result of *trans*-influence of the nitrogen donors. The data listed in Table 18 illustrate this tendency, showing differing Ni—S interatomic distances.

Occasionally, the nitrogen donor can displace the phosphorodithioato ligand, with formation of ionic complexes. Those investigated by X-ray diffraction include two six-coordinate complexes, $[\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{O}i\text{Bu}^n)_2\}(\text{phen})_2]^+ [\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{O}i\text{Bu}^n)_2]^-$, **114** ($\text{R} = \text{Bu}^n$)²⁰⁹ and $[\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCy})_2\}(\text{BuNH}_2)_4]^+ [\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCy})_2]^-$, **115** ($\text{R} = \text{Cy}$),²¹⁰ as well as products of complete expulsion of the phosphorodithioate ligand from the coordination sphere, like $[\text{Ni}(\text{phen})_3] [\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2]$ (**116**).²⁰⁵

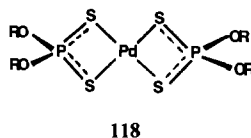




In the complex $[\text{NBu}_4][\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})(\text{OH})\}\text{S}_2\text{C}(\text{CN})_2]$, **117**, an ethyl group has been lost (hydrolysis) during the preparation,²¹¹ but the coordination of the phosphorodithioate ligand has been maintained.



b. Palladium. Only two palladium square planar phosphorodithioates, **118**, have been investigated, namely $\text{Pd}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)\}_2$ ²¹² and $\text{Pd}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OC}_6\text{H}_3\text{Me}_2)_2\}$.²¹³ The molecular dimensions are listed in Table 19. In both compounds the ligands are isobidentate and the S—P—S bond angles of 103–105° suggest minor strain in four-membered chelate ring.

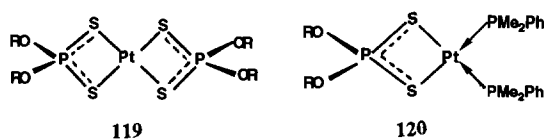


c. Platinum. Platinum(II) forms a square planar four-coordinate complex, with two isobidentate ligands, $\text{Pt}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2$, **119**,²¹⁴ and a cation with two coordinated phosphine ligands, in $[\text{Pt}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}(\text{PMe}_2\text{Ph})_2]^+[\text{PF}_6]^-$, **120**.²¹⁵

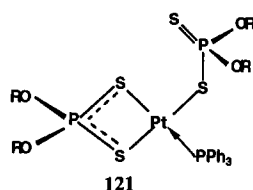
Table 19. Crystal structure data on palladium and platinum phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	α			P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.			
			a	b	c							β	γ	
118	Pr^i	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	6.379	99.89	1.998	1.994	2.346	2.334	103.4	86.1	86.5	chel	212	
			8.449	97.04										
			10.977	99.42										
118	$\text{OC}_6\text{H}_3\text{-Me}_2$	$\text{P}2_1/\text{a}$	16.075	115.46	1.984	1.992	2.346	2.344	104.9	82.4	82.3	chel	213	
			8.353											
			14.268											
119	Pr^i	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	6.346	100.29	2.003	2.010	2.332	2.341	101.9	87.3	86.9	chel	214	
			8.470	96.79										
			10.956	99.21										
120	Pr^i	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	10.913	93.59	A^a								215	
			11.432	91.79	2.001	2.003	2.383	2.381	104.3	86.1	86.1	chel		
			29.463	106.60										
					B^a	1.997	2.012	2.364	2.367	102.6	87.4	87.0		chel
						1.926	2.019	(3.954)	2.324	120.7	106.1	—		uni
121	Et	$\text{P}\bar{1}$	12.291	113.06	1.974	1.999	2.388	2.337	103.6	85.9	86.8	chel	216	
			13.064	100.71										
			13.679	114.72										
122	Et	$\text{P}2_1$	10.107	—	1.928	2.036	—	2.342	119.1	—	104.5	uni	217a	
			20.002	114.23	1.993	2.011	2.373	2.328	102.4	86.2	87.0	chel		
			11.278	—										
123	Pr^i	$\text{P}2_1/\text{c}$	8.467	—	1.994	2.001	2.434	2.341	105.0	87.8	87.1	chel	217b	
			15.846	98.03										
			21.540											

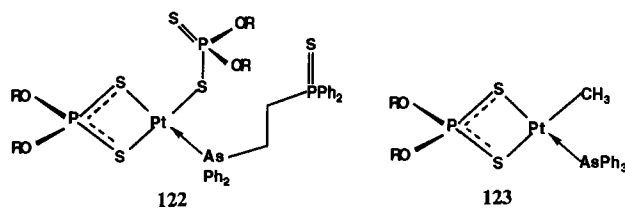
^aTwo independent molecules in the unit cell.



In the triphenylphosphine adduct, $\text{Pt}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{PPh}_3$, **121**, one ligand is forced to become monodentate.²¹⁶ The differing *trans*-effects of phosphorus (from PPh_3) and sulphur (from the monodentate phosphorodithioate) produce slight differences in the Pt—S interatomic distances: Pt—S 2.388 Å *trans* to PPh_3 , Pt—S 2.337 Å *trans* to sulphur from the monodentate phosphorodithioate and Pt—S 2.324 Å *trans* to sulphur from the chelating ligand.



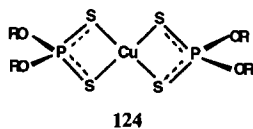
A second complex containing both chelating and monodentate phosphorodithioate ligands is $\text{Pt}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{ApeS}$ ($\text{ApeS} = \text{Ph}_2\text{AsCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{P}(=\text{S})\text{Ph}_2$) which displays square planar geometry, **122**, with coordination by one arsenic and three sulphur atoms.^{217a} The monodentate phosphorodithioate ligand in **121** and **122** can be replaced by an organic group and a methylplatinum compound **123** has been reported.^{217b}



Molecular dimensions for platinum compounds are given in Table 19.

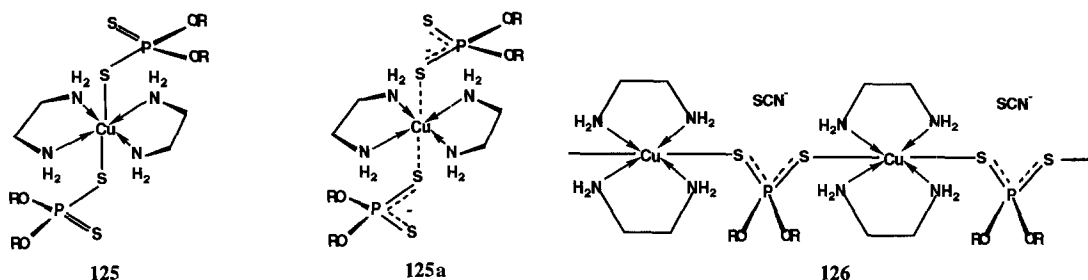
11. Group 11: Cu, Ag, Au

a. Copper. Copper(II) phosphorodithioates are difficult to obtain, because of internal oxidation of the ligand to bis(thiophosphoryl)disulphide, with concomitant reduction of the metal to copper(I). Therefore, only copper(II) compounds investigated by X-ray diffraction can be considered as authentic examples. In fact, the only copper(II) phosphorodithioate is $\text{Cu}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-2})_2\}_2$, a square planar complex **124** with isobidentate ligands.²¹⁸ The Cu—S bonds average 2.33 Å.



In two other copper(II) complexes, namely $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2$,²¹⁹ and $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}(\text{SCN})$,²¹⁹ the Cu—S distance of *ca* 3.0 Å suggests that in the actual complex the square planar cation $[\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2]^{2+}$, weakly interacts with phosphorodithioate anions. The original paper describes the phosphorodithioate ligand in $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2$ as monodentate, (structure **125**) with Cu—S 3.04 and 2.90 Å, P—S 1.93–1.94 Å in one ligand and 1.98 and 2.01 Å in the second

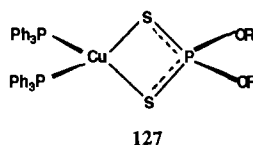
ligand.²¹⁹ In $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}(\text{SCN})$ the phosphorodithioato ligand is described as bridging (structure **126**) with $\text{Cu}-\text{S}$ 3.09 and 2.99 Å, $\text{P}-\text{S}$ 1.96 and 1.97 Å.²¹⁹



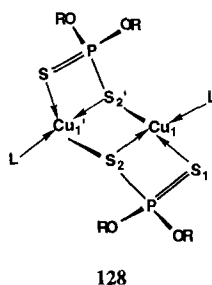
The SCN^- anions are free in the lattice (non-coordinated). The abnormally long $\text{Cu}-\text{S}$ distances make this description debatable. Probably a more correct description would be to consider packing of square planar $[\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2]^{2+}$ cations and $(\text{EtO})_2\text{PS}_2^-$ anions in the lattice. The equivalence of the $\text{P}-\text{S}$ bonds in **125** supports this idea, and $\text{Cu}(\text{en})_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2$ could then be reformulated as **125a**.

All other copper phosphorodithioates are copper(I) derivatives.

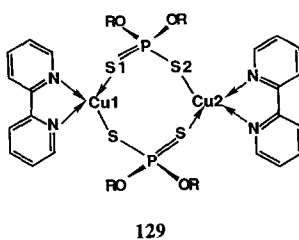
Mononuclear copper(I) phosphorodithioates are known only as triphenylphosphine adducts, $\text{CuS}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2 \cdot 2\text{PPh}_3$ with $\text{R} = \text{Et}$ ²²⁰ (structure **127**) and $(\text{OR})_2 = \text{OCH}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}$.^{221a} The coordination geometry is distorted tetrahedral.



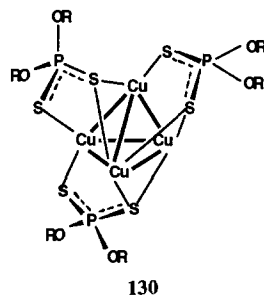
The mono(triphenylphosphine) adduct is a tricyclic dimer, $[(\text{Ph}_3\text{P})\text{Cu}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}]_2$ **128** ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$, $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$). The transannular Cu_1-S_2 distance (2.553 Å) is only slightly longer than the ring Cu_1-S_1 (2.455 Å) and $\text{Cu}_1-\text{S}_2'$ (2.357 Å) distances. Thus, the dimeric structure is of type **22**, with dative transannular bonds. The $\text{P}=\text{S}(1)$ double bonds (1.969 Å) are somewhat elongated, due to participation of the sulphur atoms in an additional dative bond. The single $\text{P}-\text{S}(2)$ bond (2.004 Å) displays a normal interatomic distance.^{221b}



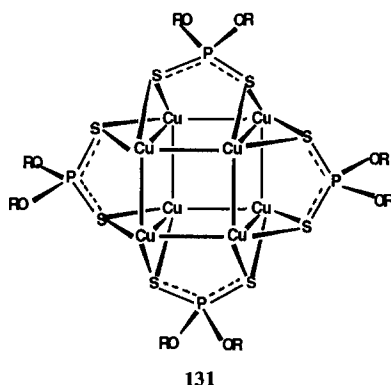
The bipyridine adduct is a cyclic dimer, $[\text{Cu}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\} \cdot \text{bipy}]_2$, with bridging phosphorodithioato ligands. The copper-sulphur bonds in the dimer are Cu_1-S_1 2.347 and Cu_2-S_2 2.323 Å, and phosphorus-sulphur bonds are $\text{P}-\text{S}_1$ 1.969 and $\text{P}-\text{S}_2$ 1.984 Å. The non-equivalence of the bond pairs supports formulation **129**, with the ligand displaying coordination pattern **8** and an eight-membered ring skeleton of type **20**.



In the absence of an additional donor ligand, copper(I) phosphorodithioates are polynuclear, cluster complexes. Thus, copper(I) diisopropylphosphorodithioate is a tetramer **130**, containing a Cu_4 tetrahedron,^{222–224} with a triconnective phosphorodithioate (coordination pattern **18**) on each face (in **130** the ligand on the rear Cu_3 face is omitted for clarity).

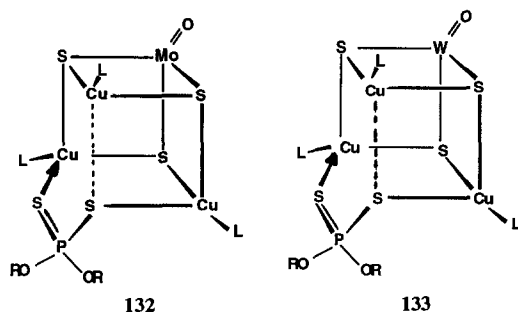


Two cubic Cu_8 cluster complexes $\text{Cu}_8\text{S}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ ²²³ and $\text{Cu}_8\text{Cl}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ ^{224a} have been reported. In $\text{Cu}_8\text{S}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ the Cu_8 cube contains an encapsulated sulphur atom in the centre and a tetrametallic tetraconnective phosphorodithioato ligand (coordination pattern **19**) on each face (only four are shown in diagram **131** for clarity). In $\text{Cu}_8\text{Cl}_2\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ one chlorine is encapsulated and occupies an internal position in the centre of the cube, while the second is external, and forms a bridge connecting pairs of cubes in a supramolecular chain structure.^{224a} The $\text{Cu} \dots \text{Cu}$ interatomic distances of 2.95–3.00 Å in the sulphur-centred compound and 3.18–3.44 Å in the chlorine-centred compound, indicate weak metal–metal interactions. The $\text{Cu} \text{---} \text{S} \text{---} \text{P}$ distances of 2.25–2.28 Å are shorter (indicating stronger bonds) than the eight $\text{Cu} \text{---} \text{S}_{\text{central}}$ bonds (2.54–2.63 Å).²²³



These two compounds are the only known examples of tetrametallic tetraconnective coordination of phosphorodithioato ligands.


Two heterometallic compounds, derived from a cubane skeleton, $\text{Cu}_3\text{MoS}_3\text{O}(\text{PPh}_3)_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3$, **132**,^{224b} and $\text{Cu}_3\text{WS}_3\text{O}(\text{PPh}_3)_3\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3$, **133**,^{224c} have similar structures. The ligand is anisobidentate and displays distinct single $\text{P} \text{---} \text{S}$ and double $\text{P}=\text{S}$ bonds, e.g. 2.002 and 1.964 Å, respectively, in **132**.^{224b}



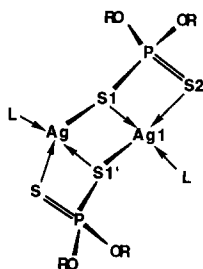
Crystal and molecular data for copper phosphorodithioates are listed in Table 20.

b. Silver. A triphenylphosphine adduct was found to be a dimer, $[\text{Ag}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}(\text{PPh}_3)]_2$, **134** ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$, $\text{L} = \text{PPh}_3$) with bimetallic triconnective coordination (pattern **14**).²²⁵ The $\text{Ag} \text{---} \text{S}$ bonds

Table 20. Crystal structure data for Group 11 (Cu, Ag, Au) phosphorodithioato complexes

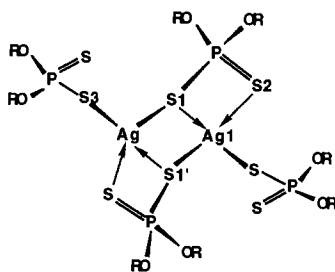
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124	2-Me-C ₆ H ₄		P2 ₁ /n	9.128 13.633 24.204	— 91.08 —	1.976 1.982	1.986 1.982	2.317 2.346	2.330 2.312	106.9 106.7	83.4 83.1	82.8 84.0	chel chel	218
125	Et		P2 ₁	13.597 6.945 16.071	— 121.22 —	1.94 1.93	1.98 2.10	(3.04) (2.90)		119.0 118.9			ionic ionic	219
126	Et		P2 ₁ /c	8.529 19.247 13.696	— 122.67 —	1.96	1.97	(3.09)	(2.99)	118.3			ionic	219
127	Et		P2 ₁ /n	11.88 14.70 22.09	— 91.0 —	1.967	1.973	2.440	2.453	112.7	78.4	78.0	chel	220
127	(OR) ₂ = 		P2 ₁ /n	18.159 12.234 18.656	— 108.75 —	1.957	1.979	2.466	2.457	114.4	80.2	80.0	chel	221a
128	Et	PPh ₃	P $\bar{1}$	9.716 11.026 12.475	78.16 102.64 114.34	1.969	2.004	2.456	2.553 2.537	114.7	81.8	78.7 101.5	bridge	221b
129	Et		P $\bar{1}$	9.388 10.208 10.704	95.88 68.44 115.94	1.969	1.984	2.347	2.323	118.4	108.6	100.4	bridge	220
130	Pr ⁱ		P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	11.311 12.428 33.923	— — —	1.963 — 1.966	2.050 — 2.059	2.278 — 2.230	2.290 2.262 2.291	119.1	101.8	110.6 102.9 110.3	bridge — bridge	218
						1.980	2.065	2.286	2.267 2.283	118.0	99.5	105.4 104.5	bridge	
						1.969	2.050	2.275	2.305 2.260	117.1	99.2	106.0 107.7	bridge	
				11.283 12.380 33.825	— — —	2.009 — 1.982	2.049 — 2.021	2.277 — 2.266	2.263 2.268 2.247	116.5	103.2	115.5 102.4 103.6	bridge — bridge	222
						1.962	2.045	2.265	2.256 2.289	117.9	98.5	106.5 105.8	bridge	
						1.973	2.038	2.283	2.252 2.256	118.1	99.2	105.6 104.7	bridge	
131	Et	X=S	R $\bar{3}$	12.667	111.42	1.986	2.013	2.251	2.280	119.5	103.1	110.8	bridge	223
131	Et	X=Cl	P $\bar{1}$	11.578 12.663 14.317	55.54 57.35 72.23	2.002 2.000 2.012	2.022 2.028 2.020	2.269 2.267 2.264	2.287 2.305 2.298	121.2 120.9 120.5	108.3 102.4 102.5	102.7 113.3 102.8	bridge — bridge	224a
											108.5 108.4 102.6	113.4 103.1 113.6	— bridge —	
132	Et	X = O L = PPh ₃	P $\bar{1}$	13.810 19.753 11.719	99.42 107.24 88.05	1.964	2.002	2.342	2.481				bridge	224b
133	Et	X = O L = PPh ₃	P $\bar{1}$	13.808 19.764 11.696	99.27 107.8 88.12	1.973	2.001	2.337	2.472	118.3	103.4	107.1	bridge	224c
134	Et	PPh ₃	P2 ₁ /c	14.965 9.753 18.438	— 119.0 —	1.957	2.000	2.810	2.502 2.821	117.3	82.3	102.8 81.4	chel	225
135	Et		P2 ₁ /c	12.966 16.159 12.898	— 106.0 —			2.517 2.868	2.728 2.679				uni	226
136	Et	X = S L = PPh ₃	P $\bar{1}$	13.600 20.636 11.700	101.19 107.22 77.17	1.981	2.000	2.622	2.684 2.689	117.1	98.7	95.0 107.9		227
136	Et	X = O L = PPh ₃	P $\bar{1}$	14.275 19.960 11.746	98.58 107.68 87.88	1.968	1.975	2.735	2.583 2.656	115.6	98.0	105.1 107.3	chel	228
137	Pr ⁱ		P $\bar{1}$	12.495 17.251 12.167	99.33 102.17 72.79	2.001 1.944 1.970	2.028 2.036 2.019	2.284 2.326 2.267	2.253 2.223 2.292	116.7 117.3 118.1	102.2 104.7 109.2	103.0 103.4 100.7	bridge bridge bridge	229
						1.983	2.017	2.297	2.276	118.4	101.6	107.8	bridge	

are non-equivalent (Ag1—S1 2.821 Å, Ag1—S1' 2.502 and Ag—S2 2.810 Å) and the phosphorus–sulphur bonds are close to single (P—S1 2.000 Å) and double (P—S2 1.957 Å). This leads to a (quasi)tricyclic structure **134** consisting of an Ag₂S₄P₂ ring with two dative transannular S → Ag interactions, i.e. a molecular skeleton of type **22**.



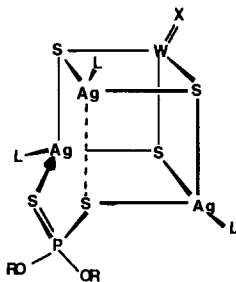
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The bis(diethylphosphorodithioato) anion is also dimeric, [Ag{S₂P(OEt)₂}₂]₂²⁻ (in its tetramethylammonium salt [NMe₄⁺]₂ [Ag{S₂P(OEt)₂}₂]₂²⁻, and the phosphorodithioato ligands are distinctly nonequivalent, showing monodentate (monoconnective) and bimetallic triconnective behaviour (structure **135**).²²⁶ The strongest silver–sulphur bond is to the monodentate ligand (Ag1—S3 2.517 Å), while in the eight-membered Ag₂S₄P₂ ring the Ag—S bonds are somewhat weaker (Ag1—S2 2.728 Å and Ag1—S1' 2.679 Å). Transannular dative bonds S1 → Ag1 again transform the structure into a tricyclic system **135**, based again upon a molecular skeleton of type **22**.



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Mixed polynuclear tungsten–silver compounds, with phosphorodithioato ligands attached only to silver, WAg₃S₄{S₂P(OEt)₂} (PPh₃)₃ and WAg₃S₃O{S₂P(OEt)₂} (PPh₃)₃ have been reported.^{227,228} These are polycyclic cages, consisting of WS₂Ag, WS₃Ag₂ and PS₃Ag₂ rings, with external oxo and thiooxo groups attached to tungsten. They bear some relation with the cubane structures, as illustrated by the idealized diagram **136** (X = S or O, L = PPh₃).

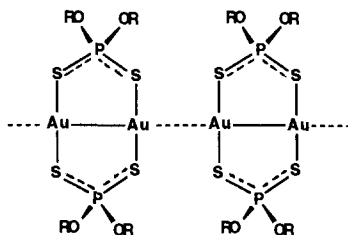


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Silver atoms are tetracoordinate (distorted tetrahedral geometry) and the phosphorodithioato ligand displays trimetallic triconnective bridging (pattern **13**) which can be seen as connected to a triangular face in a WAg₃ tetrahedron. The P—S bonds seem to be intermediate between single and double, and the S—P—S bond angles of 117.1° (X = S) and 115.6° (X = O) are enlarged, probably because of spanning two silver atoms. Perhaps for the same reason, the Ag—S—P angles (95.0–107.9° for X = S and 98.0–107.3° for X = O) also display significantly larger values than in bidentate phosphorodithioato complexes.

Crystal and molecular data of silver complexes are collected in Table 20.

c. Gold. Only one gold(I) phosphorodithioate, $[\text{AuS}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2]_n$, has been structurally investigated.²²⁹ It consists of binuclear Au—Au units, connected through secondary bonds in supramolecular chains, **137**. The somewhat unsymmetric phosphorodithioato ligand is bridging. The crystal and molecular dimensions are listed in Table 20. The S—P—S bond angles are enlarged to 116.7–118.4°, due to the bridging function of the ligands.

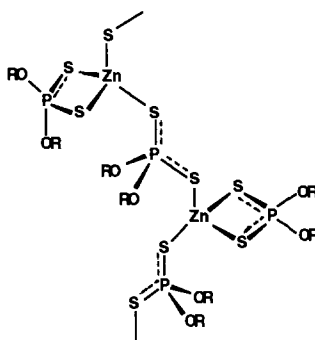


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12. Group 12: Zn, Cd, Hg

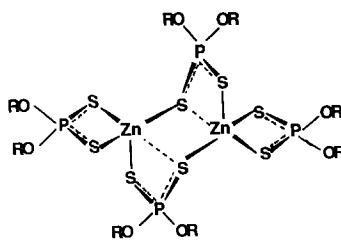
a. Zinc. Zinc (dialkyl)phosphorodithioates are important engine oil lubricant additives, and as such have received much attention. Since amines are also introduced in the composition of lubricant oils, a number of amine adducts have also been investigated.

Zinc(II) diethylphosphorodithioate is a polymeric compound, $[\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2]_n$, which displays symmetrically bridging ligands (coordination pattern 7) as shown in diagram **138**, with an additional chelating ligand at each metal atom.²³⁰ The Zn—S bonds in the polymeric chain (2.337 and 2.345 Å) are comparable to those in the chelate rings (2.350 and 2.401 Å), but the P—S interatomic distances are different, i.e. 1.992 and 2.001 Å in the bridging groups and 1.973 and 1.987 Å in the chelating phosphorodithioato ligands. Geometry about zinc is basically tetrahedral.²³⁰



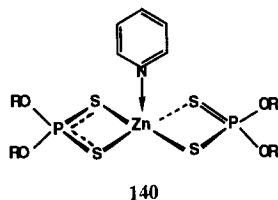
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The diisopropylphosphorodithioato complex is a dimer, $[\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{ORPr}^i)_2\}_2]_2$,²³¹ containing an eight-membered ring, formed by two bridging ligands and two four-membered chelate rings, **139**. In the bridging group P—S bond lengths are 1.956 and 1.972 Å, while in the chelate rings the P—S distances are 1.968 and 1.984 Å. The S—P—S bond angles are 117.3° and 109.7°, respectively. The transannular Zn...S distance of 3.347 Å indicates a weak interaction, making the system quasi-tricyclic, of type **23**. The bridging ligands can be considered symmetric (coordination pattern no. 7) and the chelating ligands practically isobidentate.

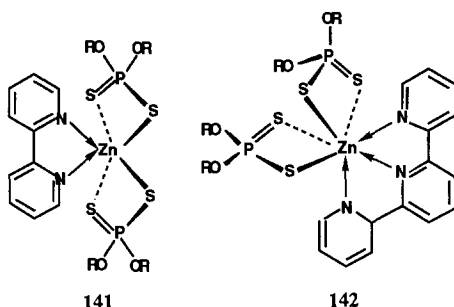


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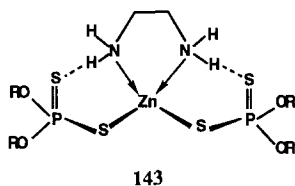
In the nitrogen base adducts the initial tetrahedral geometry is disturbed by the additional ligand. Thus, in the pyridine adduct $\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2 \cdot \text{Py}$ (**140**)^{232,233} one of the phosphorodithioato ligands is forced to become anisobidentate (coordination pattern **3**) and the P1—S2 separation (1.948 Å) is significantly shorter than P1—S1 (2.010 Å), P2—S3 (2.007 Å) and P2—S4 (1.971 Å). The Zn—S bonds are longer in the chelate ring (Zn—S3 2.352 Å, Zn—S4 2.496 Å) than the primary bond to the anisobidentate ligands, Zn—S1 (2.273 Å); a secondary Zn...S interaction (Zn...S2 3.041 Å) underscores the difference between the coordination patterns of the two ligands.



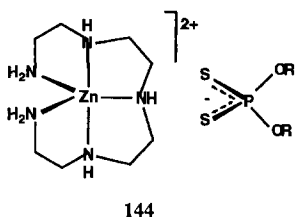
A dinitrogen ligand, bipyridyl, in $\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2 \cdot \text{bipy}$ (**141**)²³³ forces one phosphorodithioato ligand to become anisobidentate, with Zn...S 2.711 Å (coordination pattern **3**), while the three nitrogen atoms of terpyridine in the adduct $\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2 \cdot \text{terpy}$ (**142**)²³³ force both phosphorodithioato ligands to become basically monodentate (Zn...S 3.523 and 3.977 Å). A clear distinction between double and single phosphorus–sulphur bonds can be made on the basis of the respective interatomic distances (P=S 1.925 and 1.926 Å in **141**; 1.892 and 1.936 Å in **142**; P—S 1.997 and 2.005 Å in **141**; 1.968 and 2.012 Å in **142**).²³³



Aliphatic amines produce similar structural changes. Thus, in the adduct $\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2 \cdot \text{en}$ (structure **143**)²³² the metal is four-coordinate (distorted tetrahedral) and the phosphorodithioato ligands are each monodentate, engaging in hydrogen bonding with the diamine.

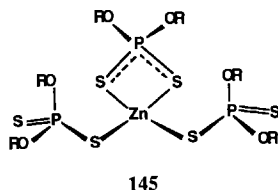


A pentaamine, such as 1,11-diamino-3,6,9-triazaundecane (abbreviated datau) occupies five coordination sites around the metal (trigonal bipyramidal geometry) in $\text{Ni}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{datau}$ (structure **144**)²³³ and displaces both phosphorodithioato ligands from the coordination sphere, making them outer-sphere counter ions.

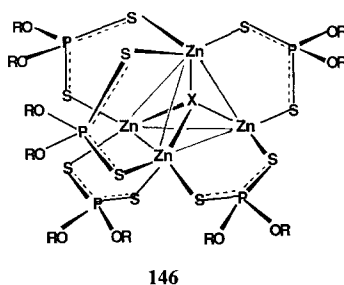


An anionic tris(phosphorodithioato) complex $[\text{NMe}_4][\text{Zn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-4})_2\}_3]$ contains, unexpectedly, a tetrahedrally coordinated central atom with one isobidentate chelating and two monodentate ligands (structure **145**).^{234,235} Obviously, the zinc atom is too small to accommodate six

sulphur atoms and become six-coordinate. In the chelate ring P—S bonds are 1.961 and 1.978 Å, while in the monodentate ligands one can distinguish double P=S bonds (1.921 and 1.926 Å) and single P—S bonds (1.986 and 1.987 Å). The S—P—S bond angle in the four-membered chelate ring is 113.2°, and less strained (119.1°) in the monodentate ligands.

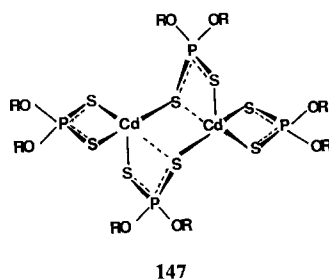


Tetranuclear zinc complexes with an encapsulated central sulphur or oxygen atom, i.e. $\text{Zn}_4\text{S}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_6$ ²³⁶ and $\text{Zn}_4\text{O}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{O}i\text{Bu})_2\}_6$ (EXAFS²³⁷ and X-ray diffraction²³⁸) both contain a tetrahedron of zinc atoms (without metal–metal bonds) with practically isobidentate phosphorodithioato ligands bridging between pairs of metal atoms along the tetrahedron edges (structure **146**, X = S or O). There are no metal–metal bonds in these complexes; one ligand has been omitted for clarity.



Crystal and molecular dimensions of zinc phosphorodithioates are listed in Table 21.

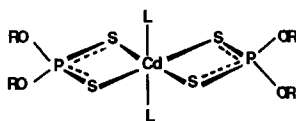
b. Cadmium. Cadmium bis(diisopropylphosphorodithioate) is a cyclic dimer,²³¹ $[\text{Cd}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2]_2$, **147**, like its zinc analogue, with an eight-membered ring of type **23**.



Cadmium can achieve six-coordination and this was found in the urotropine (hexamethylene tetramine) adduct $\text{Cd}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot 2\text{urotr}$ ²³⁹ with a *trans*-octahedral structure **148** (R = Et, L = urotr).

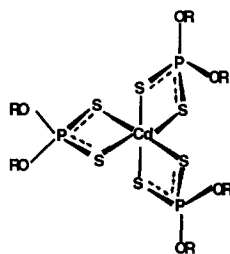
Table 21. Crystal structure data for zinc phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.			
138	Et	P2 ₁ /a	12.084	—	1.973	1.987	2.401	2.350	109.7	81.5	82.5	chel bridge	230
			19.840	113.99	1.992	2.001	2.345	2.337	108.0	101.8	106.4		
139	Et	C2/c	10.934	—	1.968	1.984	2.409	2.351	109.7	81.4	82.6	chel bridge	231
			17.098	99.23	1.956	1.972	2.306	2.302	117.3	100.7	104.1		
140	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /n	21.28	—	1.946	2.017	(3.032)	2.269	113.5	—	93.5	uni chel	232
			8.35	99.5	1.975	1.999	2.502	2.358	111.3	79.9	83.1		
141	Pr ⁱ	P $\bar{1}$	16.27	—	1.948	2.010	(3.041)	2.273	113.8	—	93.6	uni chel	233
			16.289	—	1.948	2.010	(3.041)	2.273	113.8	—	93.6		
141	Pr ⁱ	P $\bar{1}$	8.331	99.56	1.971	2.007	2.496	2.352	111.0	80.2	83.2	uni chel	233
			21.316	—	1.925	2.005	(3.822)	2.327	117.5	—	97.8		
141	Pr ⁱ	P $\bar{1}$	9.020	83.12	1.925	2.005	(3.822)	2.327	117.5	—	97.8	uni chel	233
			8.502	97.96	1.926	1.997	2.711	2.365	112.0	79.6	87.5		
142	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /n	21.267	103.46	1.926	1.997	2.711	2.365	112.0	79.6	87.5	uni chel	233
			8.847	—	1.936	2.012	(3.523)	2.334	117.4	—	99.3		
142	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /n	25.215	90.74	1.892	1.968	(3.977)	2.339	120.7	—	114.0	uni chel	233
			15.740	—	1.913	2.003	—	2.292	117.1	—	104.9		
143	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /c	13.402	—	1.913	2.003	—	2.292	117.1	—	104.9	uni uni	232
			16.470	99.00	1.898	1.975	—	2.331	118.8	—	99.2		
144	Et	P2 ₁ /c	12.294	—	1.947	1.955	—	—	117.9	—	—	ionic ionic	233
			8.183	—	1.947	1.955	—	—	117.9	—	—		
144	Et	P2 ₁ /c	25.161	99.72	1.937	1.962	—	—	120.4	—	—	ionic ionic	233
			14.981	—	1.961	1.978	2.423	2.423	113.2	80.8	80.4		
145	<i>p</i> -Tol	P2 ₁ /a	29.311	—	1.961	1.978	2.423	2.423	113.2	80.8	80.4	chel uni	234, 235
			11.032	106.83	1.921	1.986	3.565	2.308	119.1	—	102.3		
146	Et	R $\bar{3}$	17.515	—	1.921	1.987	3.511	2.296	119.1	—	100.6	uni bridge	236
			20.776	—	1.983	1.994	2.335	2.337	120.5	109.9	106.6		
146	Et	R $\bar{3}$	20.776	—	1.968	1.981	2.341	2.353	121.1	108.6	106.6	bridge bridge	236
			11.560	—	1.983	1.994	2.335	2.337	120.5	109.9	106.6		
146	X = S	P $\bar{1}$	12.522	112.13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	bridge	237, 238a, 238b
	Bu ^o		14.514	106.72	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
	X = O		14.528	106.65	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		



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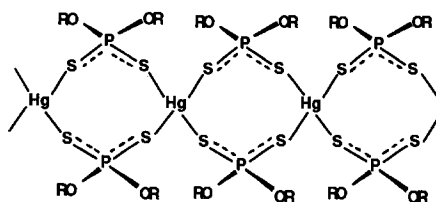
Unlike the zinc analogue which is four-coordinate, the tris(diisopropylphosphorodithioato)cadmium complex anion in $[\text{NMe}_4][\text{Cd}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_3]$ is six-coordinate, with isobidentate ligands (structure **149**).²⁴⁰ Because of a twist of 44° the coordination geometry is intermediate between octahedral and trigonal prismatic.



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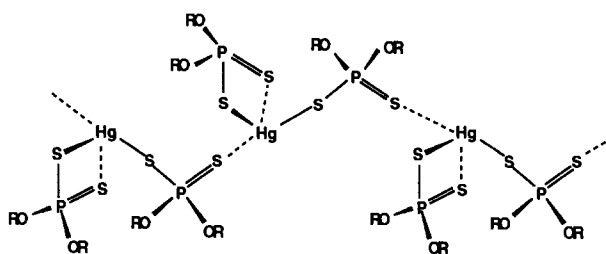
Molecular dimensions for cadmium compounds are listed in Table 22.

c. Mercury. Mercury(II) phosphorodithioates are polymeric materials, containing bridging ligands and two types have been identified by X-ray diffraction. Bis(diethylphosphorodithioato)mercury(II), is a double chain polymer, $[\text{Hg}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2]_n$, with each ligand acting as a bridging group (structure **150**).^{241,242} The two P—S bonds are 2.12 and 2.13 Å, therefore the ligand is symmetric (coordination pattern 7) and the metal is tetrahedrally coordinated (Hg—S 2.56 Å).



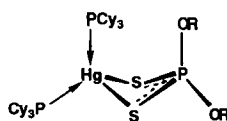
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In polymeric bis(diisopropylphosphorodithioato)mercury(II), $[\text{Hg}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}')_2\}_2]_n$ there are both chelating and bridging ligands. The structure is supramolecular (polymeric), with chelate HgS_2P ring units connected into a helical chain of type **27** by asymmetric phosphorodithioato bridges (coordination pattern **9**).²⁴³ Formulation **151** is supported by the clear non-equivalence of P—S and Hg—S interatomic distances. Thus, in the chelate ring P—S is 2.024 and P=S 1.934 Å, in the bridge P—S is 2.006 Å and P=S 1.954 Å. The Hg—S interatomic distances are 2.888 and 2.390 Å in the chelate ring, and 2.388 and 2.748 Å in the bridge.²⁴³ The long P—S bond is always associated with a short Hg—S bond and *vice versa*.



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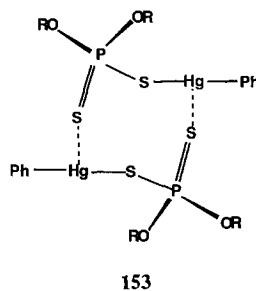
The only monocyclic chelate ring mercury derivative is the salt of bis(tricyclohexylphosphine)(diisopropylphosphorodithioato)mercury(II), $[\text{Hg}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}')_2\}(\text{PCy}_3)]^+\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3^-$, which contains an isobidentate ligand (structure **152**). Although the P—S bonds are nearly equal (1.982 and 1.989 Å), there is a difference in the Hg—S bond lengths (2.707 and 2.821 Å).²⁴⁴



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An organomercury(II) phosphorodithioate is a cyclic dimer, $[\text{PhHg}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2]_2$, **153** (R = Et), with very asymmetric bridging ligands.²⁴⁵ The double and single phosphorus–sulphur bonds in the ligand (P=S 1.924 Å and P—S 2.028 Å) are associated with long (secondary) and short (covalent)

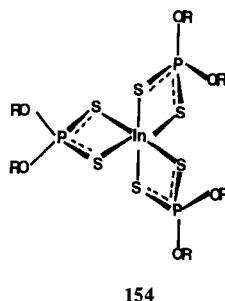
mercury–sulphur bonds ($\text{Hg} \cdots \text{S}$ 3.323 Å and $\text{Hg}—\text{S}$ 2.383 Å),²⁴⁵ to form the eight-membered ring of type **21**.



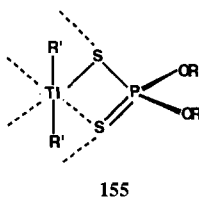
The molecular dimensions of mercury phosphorodithioates are listed in Table 22.

13. Group 13: Al, Ga, In, Tl

No structure of aluminium or gallium phosphorodithioates has been determined. Tris-(diethylphosphorodithioato)indium(III), $\text{In}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3$, is an octahedral complex with three anisobidentate chelating ligands,²⁴⁶ which can be formulated as **154**. The low accuracy of the structure determination ($R = 12\%$) prevents any further comments.



Organothallium phosphorodithioates were found to be supramolecular, polymeric associates, $[\text{Me}_2\text{Tl}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR}_2)\}]_n$ ($R = \text{Me}, \text{Et}, \text{Cy}$). Monomeric units, **155**, containing nearly linear TlMe_2 coordination centres and anisobidentate phosphorodithioato ligands, are connected through intermolecular $\text{Tl} \cdots \text{S}$ secondary interactions (coordination pattern no. 17), leading to complex two-dimensional structures. The full details of the work will be soon published.²⁴⁷



Crystal and molecular structure data are given in Table 23.

14. Group 14: Si, Ge, Sn, Pb

a. Silicon. No silicon phosphorodithioate has been structurally investigated.

b. Germanium. In the germanium phosphorodithioates studied, the ligand is always monodentate. Thus, the phosphorodithioates $\text{Ge}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_4$ (**156**),²⁴⁸ $[\text{GeS}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2]_2$ (**157**),²⁴⁸ $\text{Ph}_3\text{Ge}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}$ (**158**),²⁴⁹ $\text{Ph}_2\text{Ge}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2$ (**159**)²⁴⁹ and $\text{PhGe}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_3$ (**160**) (only partially solved structure)²⁵⁰ are all molecular compounds, with no intermolecular metal–ligand interactions. The bond lengths and angles are listed in Table 24. The data clearly distinguish between single and double phosphorus–sulphur bonds.

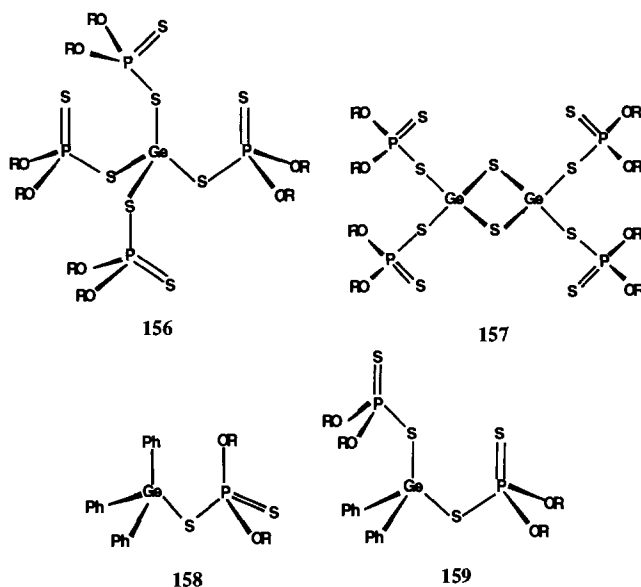
Table 23. Crystal structure data for Group 13 (Al, Ga, In, Tl) phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	<i>a</i>	α	P—S		M—S		S—P—S	M—S—P		Bond type	Ref.
			<i>b</i>	β									
154	Et	Cc	8.61	—	1.952	2.037	2.633	2.591	111.0	85.2	85.8	chel	246
			18.81	92.20	1.902	2.137	2.578	2.607	109.5	88.5	83.0	chel	
			17.85	—	1.874	2.066	2.609	2.628	111.8	87.7	83.7	chel	
155 R' = Me	Me				1.919	1.973	2.982	3.029				bridge	247a, 247b
							3.326						
155 R' = Me	Et				1.95	1.99	3.029	2.983				bridge	247a, 247b
							3.236						
155 R' = Me	Cy				1.916	2.030	3.015	2.984				chel	247a, 247b
					1.96	1.97	2.811	2.97				bridge	
								3.19					
					1.982	2.01	3.157	2.951				bridge	

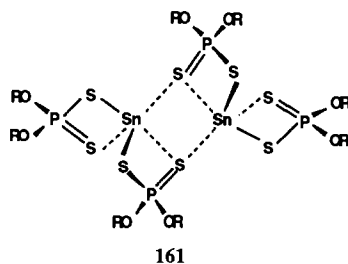
Table 24. Crystal structure data for germanium phosphorodithioates

Structure no.	R	Space group	<i>a</i>	α	P—S		M—S		S—P—S	M—S—P		Bond type	Ref.
			<i>b</i>	β									
156	Me	P2 ₁ /c	11.230	—	1.900	2.081	—	2.218	106.9	104.9	uni	248	
			23.044	113.59	1.909	2.080	—	2.230	107.9	105.9	uni		
			12.086	—	1.917	2.071	—	2.236	108.2	105.9	uni		
157	Me	P2 ₁ /c	10.344	—	1.915	2.065	3.402	2.222	115.7	100.7	uni	248	
			12.860	104.44	1.914	2.064	3.417	2.223	116.1	102.3	uni		
			12.443	—									
158	Me	P $\bar{1}$	10.311	101.47	1.923	2.060	(5.253)	2.285	109.1	109.0	uni	249	
			11.282	113.68									
			11.517	110.31									
159	Me	P $\bar{1}$	9.813	89.04	1.898	2.043	—	2.257	111.9	103.7	uni	249	
			10.345	85.28	1.904	2.045	—	2.253	112.4	105.6			
			11.837	82.29									
160	Me	Pn2 ₁ a	13.673	^a								250	
			14.566										
			13.154										

^aMolecular structure not completely solved; no further information available.

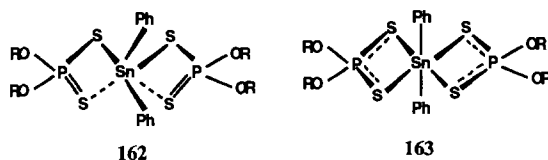


c. Tin. Only one tin(II) compound has been investigated, namely dimeric $[\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPh})_2\}_2]_2$. The compound contains two chelating and two bridging (bimetallic triconnective) ligands, as shown in **161**. Both the chelate and bridging ligands are asymmetric, and short (double) and long (single) phosphorus-sulphur bonds are observed: $\text{P}=\text{S}$ 1.967 Å and $\text{P}-\text{S}$ 2.002 Å in the



chelating ligands and $\text{P}=\text{S}$ 1.964 Å and $\text{P}-\text{S}$ 2.006 Å in the bridging ligands. The secondary $\text{Sn}\dots\text{S}$ interactions (3.391 Å) leading to dimerization are substantially longer than the intrachelate ring $\text{Sn}\dots\text{S}$ interactions (2.830 and 3.043 Å).^{251,252} The structure can be regarded as based upon a molecular skeleton of type **24**.

Two types of structure have been identified for diorganotin phosphorodithioates: an asymmetric structure **162**, with anisobidentate ligands, and a symmetric structure **163**, with isobidentate phosphorodithioates.



The asymmetric structure **162** is illustrated by diphenylbis(diethylphosphorodithioato)tin(IV), $\text{Ph}_2\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2$.²⁵³ In the anisobidentate ligand, the phosphorus-sulphur bonds are unequal ($\text{P}=\text{S}$ 1.919 and 1.942 Å; $\text{P}-\text{S}$ 2.036 and 2.029 Å) and the secondary $\text{Sn}\dots\text{S}$ interactions bring the two atoms to 3.20 and 3.23 Å. The bond angles $\text{C}-\text{Sn}-\text{C}$ (135°), $\text{S1}-\text{Sn}-\text{S3}$ (84.5°) and $\text{S2}\dots\text{Sn}\dots\text{S4}$ (136.9°) determine a coordination geometry which can be described as intermediate between distorted tetrahedral (if only the primary bonds are considered) and distorted octahedral (if the secondary $\text{Sn}\dots\text{S}$ bonds are also included).

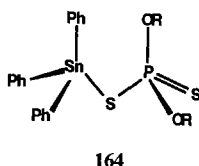
The symmetric structure **163** of $\text{Ph}_2\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2$ is so far unique. The ligands are isobidentate ($\text{P}-\text{S}$ 1.998 and 2.000 Å) and the $\text{Sn}-\text{S}$ bonds are identical and of intermediate length (2.678–2.689 Å) between those of the primary and secondary bonds cited above for the unsymmetric $\text{Ph}_2\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2$. The coordination geometry around tin is octahedral (centrosymmetric).²⁵⁴

The dramatic structural differences between the two diphenyltin phosphorodithioates which occur

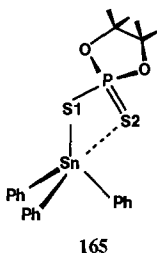
when peripheral OR groups are changed (OEt/OPrⁱ) are rather puzzling. Crystal packing effects can be invoked to explain these differences, but this seems still unsatisfactory.

The structures of the two other diorganotin phosphorodithioates, namely $\text{Me}_2\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCMe}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{O})\}_2$ ²⁵⁵ and $\text{Bu}_2\text{Sn}(\text{OAc})\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O})\}$ ²⁵⁶ are also asymmetric, with anisobidentate ligands (as in **162**).

(Diethylphosphorodithioato)triphenyltin, $\text{Ph}_3\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}$, is an illustration of the unidentate coordination **164** in organotin compounds. The P—S bond lengths (2.054 and 1.931 Å) clearly indicate single and double bond character, respectively, and the orientation of the P=S bond, away from tin, underscores the unidentate character of the ligand. Coordination around tin is distorted tetrahedral.²⁵⁷



The structure is different in the 2-thiooxo-1,3,2-dioxophospholane-2-thiolato derivative $\text{Ph}_3\text{Sn}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCMe}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{O})\}$. Although the phosphorus–sulphur bond distances (2.039 and 1.903 Å) would indicate a unidentate coordination, the orientation of the doubly bonded sulphur (S2) towards the metal and its distance to the tin atom ($\text{Sn} \dots \text{S}2$ 3.411 Å), suggesting a weak secondary interaction, makes the ligand anisobidentate. This determines a coordination geometry at tin, which is intermediate between tetrahedral and trigonal bipyramidal, as shown in **165** (R = Ph).²⁵⁸



Triorganotin structures can be compared with that of $\text{S}=\text{P}(\text{S}-\text{SnMe}_3)_3$. Single (2.076–2.080 Å) and double (1.948 Å) phosphorus–sulphur bonds are observed in the latter, with a four-coordinate tin atom.²⁵⁹ The $\text{S}=\text{P}-\text{S}$ bond angles are larger than tetrahedral (114.3–114.7°), while $\text{S}-\text{P}-\text{S}$ bond angles (103.4–104.8°) are diminished, illustrating the effects of valence shell electron repulsions.

Crystal data and molecular dimensions for tin phosphorodithioates are collected in Table 25.

d. Lead. The structures of four lead(II) phosphorodithioates, $[\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2]_n$, with R = Et,^{260,261} Pr,²⁶² Bu,²⁶¹ and Ph²⁶¹ have been determined, and each one is different.

Bis(diethylphosphorodithioato)lead(II)^{260,261} is built up of distorted tetragonal pyramids, with the apical lead atom 1.48 Å above the basal plane and the ligands anisobidentate (P—S 1.969 and 1.995 Å; 1.968 and 1.991 Å; Pb—S 2.996 and 2.754 Å; 3.022 and 2.790 Å). Additional Pb...O and Pb...S (3.409 and 3.483 Å) interactions (two of each) lead to supramolecular association, **166** (R = Et), with the coordination geometry around lead becoming square-antiprismatic. This is one of the rare examples (in fact only two are known, see Section E.17 for the second) when oxygen atoms of P—OR groups of the phosphorodithioato ligand participate in coordination to the metal.

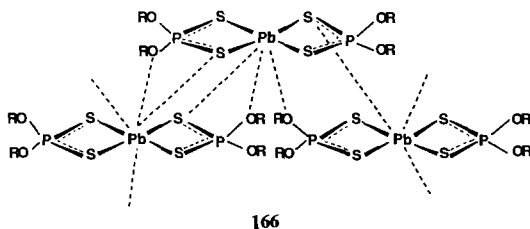
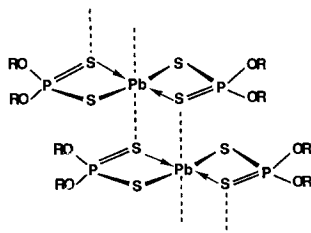


Table 25. Crystal structure data for tin phosphorodithioato complexes

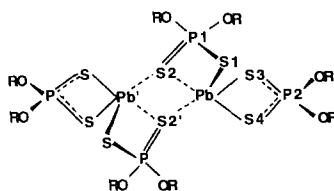
Structure no.	R	Space group	a b c	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.
161	Ph	$P\bar{1}$	10.499 13.948 9.291	99.18 95.71 91.80	1.967 2.002 1.964 2.006	2.830 3.043 2.623 2.631	112.3 115.5	82.9 96.1 87.9 94.3	chel bridge chel	251, 252
162	Et	$P2_1/c$	14.137 14.299 15.759	— 112.33 —	1.942 2.029 1.919 2.036	3.23 2.492 3.20 2.481	112.4 113.2	— 97.5 97.7	chel uni uni	253
163	Pr ⁱ	$P2_1/n$	17.517 14.212 6.340	— 100.63 —	1.998 2.006	2.689 2.678	111.3	86.3 85.4	chel	254
162	(OR) ₂ =	$Pccn$	16.830 11.407 12.829	— — —	1.932 2.031	3.130 2.495	112.4	79.1 95.0	chel	255
162	(OR) ₂ =	$P\bar{1}$	6.942 12.992 16.804	71.16 78.12 74.50	1.931 2.032 1.930 2.034	3.174 2.528 3.172 2.526	114.7 114.6	77.1 93.1 77.2 93.1	chel chel	256
164	Et	$P\bar{1}$	12.647 9.961 9.437	98.59 91.51 96.12	1.931 2.054	— 2.458	112.3	— 103.8	uni	257
165	(OR) ₂ =	$P2_1/n$	14.511 11.536 15.435	— 94.32 —	1.903 2.039	3.411 2.436	114.8	— 102.1	chel	258

In bis(diisopropylphosphorodithioato)lead(II) there are only lead–sulphur interactions.²⁶² Each $Pb\{S_2P(OPr^i)_2\}_2$ molecule forms two pairs of additional lead–sulphur $Pb \dots S$ bonds with two neighbouring molecules, resulting in a supramolecular structure **167** ($R = Pr^i$). Each phosphorodithioato ligand is bimetallic triconnective and the lead atoms are six-coordinate. The coordination geometry around lead is ψ -pentagonal bipyramidal, with possibly a lone pair occupying an equatorial position.



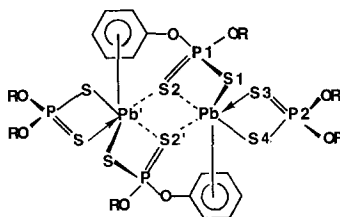
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Bis(diisobutylphosphorodithioato)lead(II) forms dimeric associates $[Pb\{S_2P(OBu^i)_2\}_2]_2$.²⁶¹ In each monomeric building unit one ligand is isobidentate chelating (monometallic biconnective) ($Pb-S3$ 2.768, $Pb-S4$ 2.762 Å), the other is bimetallic triconnective and participates in the formation of the dimer. The interunit $Pb' \dots S2$ secondary bonds (3.444 Å) are longer than the intraunit $Pb \dots S2$ secondary bonds (3.127 Å), which is reflected in the formulation **168** ($R = Bu^i$), based upon a molecular skeleton of type **24**. This is also supported by the P—S bond lengths: $P1-S1$ 1.994 Å, $P1-S2$ 1.951 Å; $P2-S3$ 1.985 Å and $P2-S4$ 1.986 Å. The coordination geometry around lead is ψ -pentagonal pyramidal.



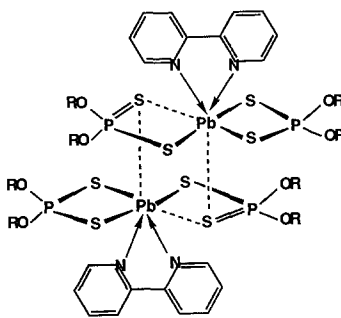
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Bis(diphenylphosphorodithioato)lead(II) is also a supramolecular dimer, $[\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPh})_2\}_2]^{261}$ but the interunit $\text{Pb} \dots \text{S4}'$ distance (3.215 Å) is slightly shorter than the intraunit $\text{Pb} \dots \text{S4}$ distance (3.323 Å), leading to the formation of an eight-membered quasicyclic species, as shown in **169** ($\text{R} = \text{Ph}$). Additional $\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5\text{-Pb}$ interactions between two different units seem to stabilize the dimer. The phosphorus–sulphur bond length differentiation (P1-S1 1.984, P1-S2 1.960 Å; P2-S3 1.958, P2-S4 1.993 Å) are in agreement with formulation **169**.



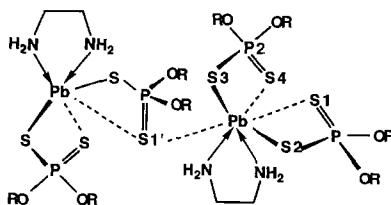
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Supramolecular association of lead(II) phosphorodithioates is obviously the result of the tendency of the large lead atom to achieve a higher coordination number. This tendency can also be satisfied by coordination of additional donor molecules, i.e. adduct formation. In the bipyridine adduct $[\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\} \cdot \text{bipy}]_2$ dimerization still occurs,²⁶³ and the lead atom is seven-coordinate, as shown in **170** ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$).



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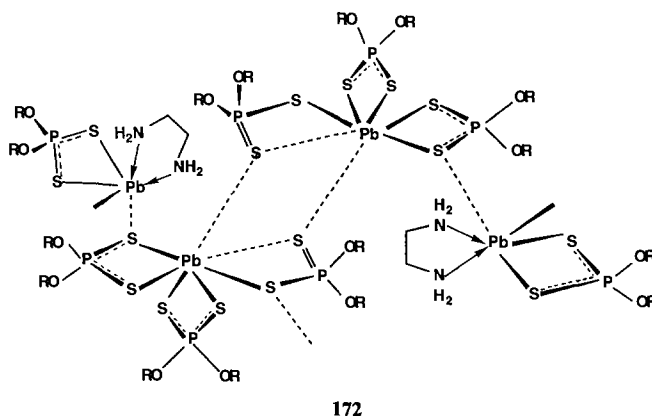
The ethylenediamine adduct, on the other hand, is a supramolecular chain polymer $[\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot \text{en}]_n$ **171** ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$), with chelating ethylenediamine and phosphorodithioate (isobidentate) ligands and phosphorodithioato (bimetallic triconnective) bridges. The metal atom is again seven-coordinate.²⁶³



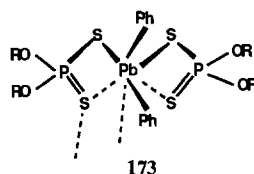
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The structure of a second ethylenediamine adduct, $[\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2 \cdot 1/2\text{en}]_n$, is more complex.²⁶³ It contains tetranuclear units interlinked to produce a chain-like supramolecular structure. These

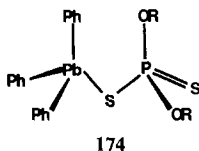
are formed from dimeric $[\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_3]_2$ units, doubly bridged by $\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\} \cdot \text{en}$ units, as shown in **172**.



The structures of organolead(IV) phosphorodithioates are much simpler, because fewer coordination sites are available around the organometallic R_nPb coordination centres. Thus, in bis(dibenzylphosphorodithioato)diphenyllead(IV), $[\text{Ph}_2\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCH}_2\text{Ph})_2\}_2]_2$, the unit molecule contains anisobidentate ligands and six-coordinate lead in distorted octahedral geometry, as shown in **173** ($\text{R} = \text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$). In the crystal, adjacent molecules are connected in pairs by weak $\text{Pb} \dots \text{S}$ interactions (3.69 \AA), and the lead coordination geometry becomes distorted pentagonal bipyramidal.²⁶⁴



The presence of a larger number of organic groups around the metal reduces coordination possibilities. In (diethylphosphorodithioato)triphenyllead(IV), $\text{Ph}_3\text{Pb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}$, the ligand is monodentate ($\text{P}=\text{S} 1.924 \text{ \AA}$, $\text{P}-\text{S} 2.034 \text{ \AA}$) and coordination around lead is reduced to (distorted) tetrahedral, **174** ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$). The $\text{Pb}-\text{S}$ bond (2.554 \AA) is shorter than in the diphenyllead derivative or than in any lead(II) phosphorodithioates. The phosphorus-sulphur bond lengths ($\text{P}-\text{S} 2.035 \text{ \AA}$ and $\text{P}=\text{S} 1.923 \text{ \AA}$) are in agreement with monodentate coordination.²⁶⁴



Crystal structure data, including bond lengths angles are collected in Table 26.

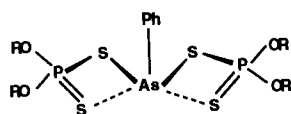
15. Group 15: As, Sb, Bi

a. Arsenic. Only one structure of an arsenic phosphorodithioate has been reported. Thus, bis(diisopropylphosphorodithioato)phenylarsenic(III), $\text{PhAs}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}^i)_2\}_2$, is a molecular monomeric compound, containing anisobidentate ligands, in tetragonal pyramidal coordination **175** ($\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$).²⁶⁵ The coordination geometry can also be described as ψ -octahedral, with a stereochemically active lone pair of electrons occupying a position *trans* to the phenyl group. The presence of single $\text{P}-\text{S}$ (2.09 – 2.10 \AA) and double $\text{P}=\text{S}$ bonds (1.90 \AA) is worth underscoring. The

Table 26. Crystal structure data for lead phosphorodithioato complexes

Structure no.	R	Space group	α		P—S		M—S		S—P—S		M—S—P		Bond type	Ref.
			a	b	c	β	γ							
166	Et	$P\bar{1}$	10.102	99.82	1.969	1.995	2.996	2.754	115.4	83.5	89.8	chel	260,	
			10.366	109.91	1.968	1.991	3.022	2.790	116.2	83.1	89.1	chel	261	
167	Pr^i	$P2_1/n$	9.702	86.17	—	2.000	1.982	2.761	2.985	113.8			bridge	262
			10.067	95.97					3.232				chel	
			9.335	—	1.958	1.944	2.772	3.027	114.6				bridge	
168	Bu^i	$P\bar{1}$	17.426	91.73	1.985	1.986	2.768	2.762	112.0	87.4	87.5	chel	261	
			14.377	93.87	1.994	1.951	2.755	3.127	113.9	92.6	82.8	chel		
			6.237	65.67				3.444					bridge	
169	Ph	$P\bar{1}$	14.178	95.61	1.993	1.958	2.732	2.896	113.7	88.0	84.1	chel	261	
			9.332	91.86	1.984	1.960	2.753	3.323	115.1	92.9	77.5	chel		
			10.507	99.10				3.215			80.7	bridge		
170	Et	$P2_1/c$	14.727	—	1.95	1.98	3.000	3.118	116.5	84.7	88.4	chel	263	
			14.490	110.72	1.97	1.99	—	3.212			99.6	bridge		
			11.616	—			2.949	2.929	113.2	88.8	89.0	chel		
171	Et	$P\bar{1}$	10.933	103.58	1.955	1.958	3.173	3.074	115.2	86.1	88.9	chel	263	
			13.257	132.24				3.190			102.5	bridge		
			13.705	91.50	1.945	1.957	3.177	2.967	116.8	85.9	91.8	chel		
172	Et	$P\bar{1}$	9.997	98.54	1.98	1.99	3.05	2.82	113.0	86.0	92.3	chel	263	
			19.875	100.77	1.96	1.96	2.96	2.93	113.0	89.1	90.0	bridge		
			15.000	95.64	1.96	1.97	3.21	3.11	116.2	93.2	91.4	bridge		
					1.97	1.95							chel	
173	Bz	$P\bar{1}$	11.760	80.14	1.93	1.98	2.940	2.723	112.4	86.3	91.4	chel	264	
			12.532	111.46	1.93	2.01	2.957	2.679	114.0	84.0	90.3	chel		
			16.263	112.41										
174	Et	$P\bar{1}$	9.579	101.62	1.924	2.034	—	2.554	111.0	—	104.6	uni	264	
			10.602	99.55										
			12.710	100.72										

As—S bonds are 2.310–2.317 Å (primary bonds) and 3.125 and 3.187 Å (secondary interactions). For other molecular dimensions see Table 27.



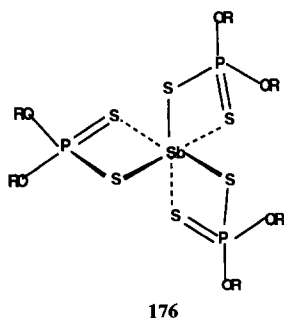
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b. Antimony. The molecular structures of $Sb\{S_2P(OR)_2\}_3$ with $R = Me$,²⁶⁶ Et ²⁶⁷ and Pr^i ,²⁶⁶ have been determined. All three compounds are monomeric tris chelates, with anisobidentate ligands,

Table 27. Crystal structure data for Group 15 (As, Sb, Bi) metal phosphorodithioato complexes

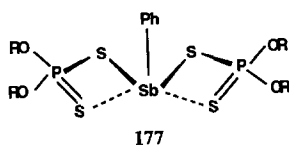
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175	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /c	12.454	—	1.90	2.10	3.125	2.310	111.5	78.2	97.4	chel	265
			26.693	109.40	1.90	2.09	3.187	2.317	112.0	77.3	77.3	chel	
176	Me	P2 ₁ /n	9.313	—	1.941	2.029	3.008	2.522	112.2	81.5	93.4	chel	266
			8.506	99.09	1.941	2.036	3.006	2.535	112.3	81.7	93.1	chel	
			28.528	—	1.927	2.033	3.002	2.531	112.8	81.7	92.9	chel	
176	Et	P2 ₁	8.624	—	1.984	1.992	2.785	2.590	108.4	86.2	91.8	chel	267
			9.707	92.83	1.979	1.983	2.838	2.629	109.9	86.0	91.67	chel	
			17.521	—	1.927	1.976	2.856	2.583	109.7	86.0	92.9	chel	
176	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /n	11.293	—	1.945	2.029	3.031	2.521	111.2	82.1	94.9	chel	266
			10.659	97.22	1.933	2.034	3.013	2.531	111.6	82.2	93.7	chel	
			31.195	—	1.949	2.044	3.000	2.519	111.2	82.1	93.8	chel	
177	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /c	12.451	—	1.947	2.039	3.056	2.516	111.0	82.2	95.5	chel	265
			26.681	109.70	1.941	2.048	3.067	2.529	110.9	95.3	chel		
178	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /c	10.714	—	1.942	2.044	3.684	2.555	116.1	100.5	63.6	bridge	268
			18.205	97.44	—	—	3.172	—	—	—	—	—	
			22.010	—	1.943	2.035	3.934	2.531	115.3	103.3	72.5	—	
179	Et	P2 ₁	8.618	—	1.925	1.972	2.820	2.750	112.3	87.8	88.9	chel	269
			9.698	92.95	1.972	2.002	2.778	2.795	112.1	88.2	87.1	chel	
			17.569	—	1.964	1.980	2.747	2.747	112.1	88.3	87.1	chel	
179	Pr ⁱ	P2 ₁ /c	20.096	—	1.959	1.997	2.886	2.714	112.6	85.7	89.8	chel	270
			9.086	114.71	1.948	1.991	2.878	2.702	112.2	85.8	90.0	chel	
			21.619	—	1.955	2.011	2.858	2.690	111.7	86.1	89.7	chel	
179	(OR) ₂ =	C2/c	16.684	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	271
			13.682	98.45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
			11.930	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	
179	(OR) ₂ =	P2 ₁ /c	9.591	—	1.932	1.978	2.836	2.758	115.4	85.4	86.7	chel	271
			10.059	90.51	1.968	2.023	2.856	2.712	114.2	84.3	87.2	chel	
			36.170	—	1.934	1.995	2.873	2.745	114.2	85.6	88.0	chel	

displaying distorted octahedral coordination geometry, **176**, determined by the three primary Sb—S bonds (2.52–2.63 Å) and the three secondary Sb...S interactions (*ca* 3 Å).

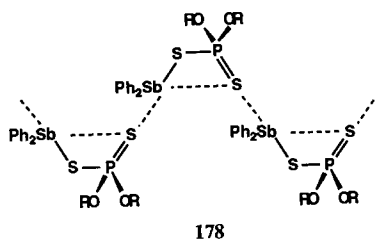


The molecular dimensions are listed in Table 27. It can be seen that the ethyl derivative differs somewhat from the methyl and isopropyl phosphorodithioato complexes, both in terms of P—S, Sb—S bond lengths and S—P—S bond angles, and in the ethyl complex the ligand becomes more closely isobidentate.

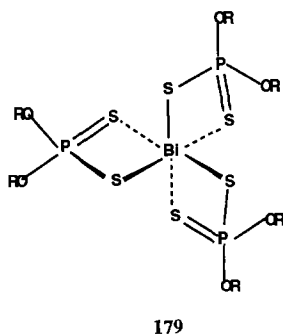
Bis(diisopropylphosphorodithioato)phenylantimony(III), $\text{PhSb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}')_2\}_2$, is monomeric, with structure **177** ($\text{R} = \text{Pr}'$), and is structurally very similar to the phenylarsenic analogue.²⁶⁵



(Diisopropylphosphorodithioato)diphenylantimony(III), $[\text{Ph}_2\text{Sb}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OPr}')_2\}]_n$, is a supra-molecular polymer, **178** ($\text{R} = \text{Ph}$, $\text{R}' = \text{Pr}'$), with secondary $\text{Sb} \dots \text{S}$ bonds (3.172 and 3.266 Å) connecting the monomeric units into a polymeric chain. The ligand is bimetallic triconnective ($\text{P}=\text{S}$ 2.044 Å, $\text{P}=\text{S}$ 1.942 Å) and the sulphur atom doubly bonded to phosphorus participates in intraunit secondary $\text{Sb} \dots \text{S}$ bonding (3.934 and 3.684 Å). It is worth noting that the intermolecular secondary $\text{Sb} \dots \text{S}$ interactions are shorter than the $\text{Sb} \dots \text{S}$ interactions within the chelate building units.²⁶⁸



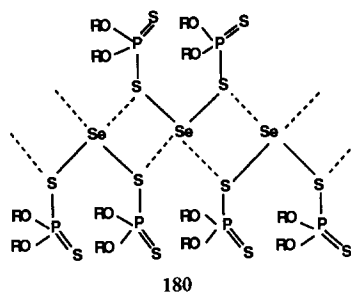
c. Bismuth. All four bismuth tris(phosphorodithioates) whose structures have been determined by X-ray diffraction, $\text{Bi}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_3$, with $\text{R} = \text{Et}$,²⁶⁹ Pr' ,²⁷⁰ and $(\text{OR})_2 = \text{OCHMeCHMeO}$ and $\text{OCH}_2\text{CEt}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O}$ ²⁷¹ are monomeric, distorted octahedral complexes, **179**, with anisobidentate ligands, like the antimony analogues. The molecular dimensions are given in Table 27.



16. Group 16: Se, Te

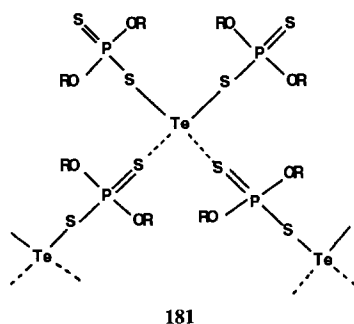
a. Selenium. A selenium(II) phosphorodithioate can be regarded as an analogue of the bis(thiophosphoryl) trisulphides, but their structures are completely different. The structure of $[\text{Se}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{S})(\text{OEt})_2\}_2]_n$ determined at -135°C contains double (1.912 Å) and single (2.094–2.099 Å) phosphorus–sulphur bonds, and intermolecular secondary $\text{Se} \dots \text{S}$ interactions (3.342–3.523 Å)

leading to supramolecular association, **180** ($R = Et$). The coordination geometry around selenium thus becomes trapezoidal planar.²⁷²

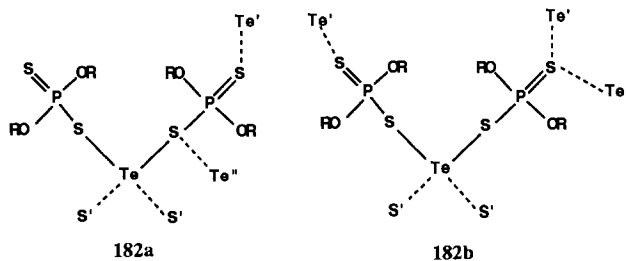


For crystal data and molecular dimensions see Table 28.

b. Tellurium. Several tellurium(II) and tellurium(IV) phosphorodithioates have been investigated by X-ray diffraction. In bis(dimethylphosphorodithioato)tellurium(II), $[\text{Te}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2]_n$, the molecules are associated into a supramolecular two-dimensional structure through $\text{Te}\dots\text{S}$ secondary interactions, as shown schematically in **181** ($R = \text{Me}$). The $\text{P}=\text{S}$ double bond (1.92 Å) of the ligand is involved in intermolecular secondary interactions ($\text{Te}\dots\text{S}$ 3.31 Å). The other $\text{P}-\text{S}$ bond of the ligand is a single bond (2.09 Å). The tellurium atom lies on a two-fold axis.²⁷³



The structure of $[\text{Te}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}_2]_n$ (**182**) is also associated, but in a more complex way, leading to a three-dimensional supramolecular array.²⁷⁴ The asymmetric unit contains three molecules, with the ligand in each showing single ($\text{P}-\text{S}$ 2.076–2.089 Å) and double ($\text{P}=\text{S}$ 1.919–1.939 Å) bonds. The $\text{P}=\text{S}$ double bonds not involved in secondary interactions are the shortest (1.927 and 1.919 Å); some double bonds participate in secondary interactions with tellurium atoms, **182a**, while one is connected by secondary interactions simultaneously to two other tellurium atoms, **182b**. The intermolecular, secondary bonds, are in the range from 3.209 to 3.541 Å (the sum of van der Waals radii for Te and S is *ca* 3.8 Å). If the secondary bonds are considered, the coordination geometry around tellurium is trapezoidal planar.²⁷³

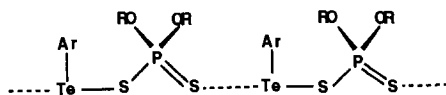


Two organotellurium(II) derivatives, e.g. $[\text{p-MeOC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Te S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2]_n$ ²⁷⁵ and $[\text{p-EtOC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Te S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2]_n$ ^{276a} are also supramolecular associates, forming single strand polymeric chains **183**. The primary $\text{Te}-\text{S}$ bonds are in the normal range (2.439–2.443 Å) and the secondary $\text{Te}\dots\text{S}$ bonds (3.309 and 3.262 Å) are significantly shorter than van der Waals distances. In $[\text{PhTe S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2]_n$ the primary $\text{Te}-\text{S}$ bonds are 2.418 Å and the secondary $\text{Te}\dots\text{S}$ bonds were determined as 3.405 Å.^{276b}

Table 28. Crystal structure data for selenium and tellurium phosphorodithioato complexes

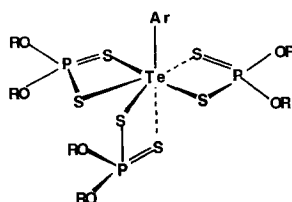
Structure no.	R	Space group	<i>a</i> <i>b</i> <i>c</i>	α β γ	P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.				
180	Et	P $\bar{1}$	8.364	63.28	2.099	1.912	2.209	3.342	107.1	—	102.0	bridge	272	
			10.755	70.78	2.094	1.912	2.210	3.523	105.7	—	103.0	bridge		
			12.387	83.93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
181	Me	Pbcn	10.37	—	1.92	2.09	2.44	3.31	106.8	—	105.1	bridge	273	
			11.51	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
182	Et	P $\bar{1}$	12.247	101.69	A ^a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	275	
			12.656	103.29	1.927	2.079	2.420	—	107.7	—	103.2	bridge		
			20.135	104.72	1.939	2.077	2.430	—	109.6	—	102.1	bridge		
			—	—	B ^a	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		—
			—	—	1.929	2.082	2.435	—	107.5	—	103.6	bridge		
			—	—	1.919	2.089	2.387	—	106.9	—	104.1	bridge		
183	Me Ar = <i>p</i> - MeOC ₆ H ₄	P2 ₁ /n	9.976	—	1.933	2.051	3.262	2.443	107.9	—	103.3	bridge	275	
			12.023	97.22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
			12.333	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
183	Et Ar = <i>p</i> - EtOC ₆ H ₄	P2 ₁ /n	10.176	—	1.927	2.052	3.309	2.439	107.9	—	102.9	bridge	276a	
			12.407	97.40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
183	Me Ar = Ph	P2 ₁ /c	10.324	—	1.919	2.060	3.405	2.418	107.2	—	106.1	bridge	276b	
			8.519	101.83	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
184	Ph	P2 ₁ /c	10.392	—	1.933	2.009	3.292	2.651	113.6	97.7	80.8	chel	276c	
			10.379	95.273	1.909	2.069	3.374	2.481	116.4	74.9	97.0	chel		
			42.050	—	1.934	2.013	3.106	2.613	113.5	94.4	81.9	chel		
185	Me	P2 ₁ /c	7.820	—	1.934	2.045	3.383	2.619	115.1	98.1	—	chel	277	
			15.356	92.84	1.928	2.022	3.362	2.625	116.3	—	—	chel		
			20.317	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
185	Et R' = Ph	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	8.297	—	1.931	2.043	3.367	2.609	114.4	79.4	99.2	chel	278a	
			16.311	—	1.929	2.020	3.365	2.620	115.9	78.6	100.0	chel		
			21.117	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
185	(RO) ₂ =	P2 ₁ /c	12.707	—	1.939	2.045	3.349	2.604	113.8	99.1	—	chel	278b	
			11.482	98.00	1.944	2.038	3.341	2.661	113.6	95.9	—	chel		
			16.782	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
185	R = Me (RO) ₂ =	P $\bar{1}$	12.580	91.28	1.917	2.060	3.490	2.597	116.4	97.4	—	chel	278b	
			13.313	104.94	1.920	2.052	3.516	2.660	116.7	99.4	—	chel		
			8.206	78.52	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
186	Et	P2 ₁ /n	11.637	—	1.951	1.962	3.150	3.286	117.9	87.3	91.4	chel	278c	
			15.159	111.84	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
			14.688	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
187	Et	P2 ₁ /c	10.856	—	1.901	2.036	3.493	2.627	116.1	98.9	76.4	bridge	279	
			19.876	98.31	1.903	2.021	3.447	2.621	114.3	101.5	79.3	—		
			12.206	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
188	Et	P2 ₁ 2 ₁ 2 ₁	6.653	—	1.927	2.027	3.438	2.742	116.0	78.4	96.5	chel	280	
			9.876	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
189	Et	P $\bar{1}$	36.347	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	281	
			9.078	69.28	1.992	1.815	3.436	2.708	—	99.3	80.5	chel		
			11.823	88.29	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
190	Me Ar =	P2 ₁ /n	14.941	89.40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	277	
			9.694	—	1.993	2.009	2.728	2.632	110.6	85.6	88.0	chel		
			13.679	110.65	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
191	Et	P $\bar{1}$	13.879	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	282	
			14.287	85.30	1.933	2.000	3.477	2.691	116.9	73.1	93.6	chel		
			14.579	84.36	1.960	1.972	3.410	2.684	116.2	77.0	97.4	chel		
—	—	1.908	1.995	3.413	2.772	116.3	75.7	93.6	chel	—				

^aThree crystallographically independent molecules in the unit cell.



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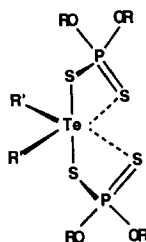
Only one monoorganotellurium(IV) tris(phosphorodithioate), **184** (Ar = Ph, R = Ph), has been structurally investigated. The compound displays pentagonal bipyramidal geometry and the ligands are anisobidentate, with short (P=S 1.933, 1.934 and 1.909 Å) and long (P—S 2.009, 2.013 and 2.069 Å) phosphorus–sulphur bonds. The tellurium–sulphur distances indicate primary bonds (2.651, 2.613 and 2.481 Å, all in the equatorial plane) and secondary interactions (3.292 and 3.106 Å—equatorial, and 3.374 Å—axial). The aryl group is in apical position, *trans* to the longest Te...S distance. The S—P—S bond angles (113.6°, 113.5° and 116.4°) are wider than tetrahedral, in keeping with the weak chelating character of the ligands.^{276c}



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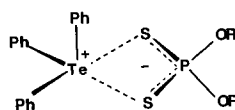
In bis(dialkylphosphorodithioato)diphenyltellurium(IV), $\text{Ph}_2\text{Te}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2$, with R = Me²⁷⁷ and Et,^{278a} the ligands are strongly anisobidentate, with single (P—S 2.020 and 2.045 Å) and double (P=S 1.928 and 1.934 Å) bonds. The tellurium coordination geometry is ψ -trigonal bipyramidal, with phenyl groups in equatorial positions, **185**, R' = Ph. The sulphur atoms doubly bonded to phosphorus, which are involved in secondary interactions with tellurium (Te...S 3.35–3.38 Å) are well above and below the equatorial plane, and were not considered in the description of the coordination geometry.

Dimethyltellurium derivatives of cyclic alkylene phosphorodithioates, $\text{Me}_2\text{Te}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCMe}_2\text{CMe}_2\text{O})\}_2$ and $\text{Me}_2\text{Te}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OCH}_2\text{CET}_2\text{CH}_2\text{O})\}_2$ display similar structures.^{278b}



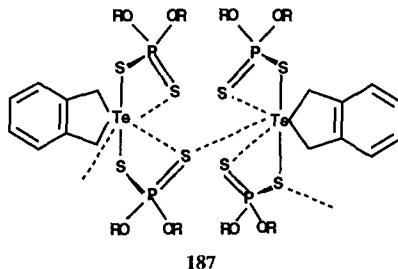
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Triphenyltellurium(IV) diethylphosphorodithioate, $\text{Ph}_3\text{Te}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}$, displays an uncommon structure **186**, in which both tellurium–sulphur bonds are unusually long (3.286 and 3.150 Å), of the order of magnitude of secondary interactions. The P—S bonds in the phosphorodithioato ligand (1.951 and 1.962 Å)^{278c} are of the same order of magnitude as found in ionic phosphorodithioates. Perhaps, this compound can be best described as containing discrete Ph_3Te^+ cations and $(\text{EtO})_2\text{PS}_2^-$ anions, connected through secondary Te...S interactions. This view is also supported by the wide S—P—S bond angle (117.9°).

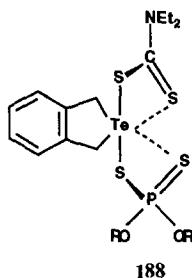


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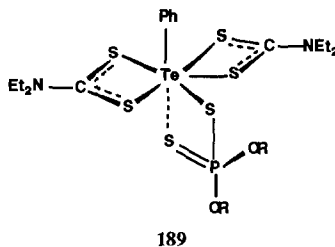
The heterocyclic tellurium(IV) bis(diethylphosphorodithioate) $[C_6H_4(CH_2)_2Te\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}_2]_n$ has a supramolecular structure **187**, in which the molecules are connected into zig-zag chains by weak secondary $Te \dots S$ bonds (3.729 Å). In the molecular unit the ligands are clearly anisobidentate: $P-S$ 2.021 and 2.036 Å; $P=S$ 1.901 and 1.903 Å; $Te-S$ 2.621 and 2.627 Å; $Te \dots S$ 3.447 and 3.393 Å. The weak intrachelate $Te \dots S$ impose little strain upon the $S-P-S$ bonds, which are rather wide (114.3 and 116.1°).²⁷⁹



The mixed ligand complex $C_6H_4(CH_2)_2Te\{S_2C-NEt_2\}\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}$ (structure **188**) is worth mentioning, because the primary $Te-S$ bonds are clearly different: $Te-S_{dtc}$ 2.521 Å and $Te-S_{dtp}$ 2.742 Å, suggesting that the dithiocarbamate ligand is more strongly bound to tellurium than the phosphorodithioate. The secondary bonds are also shorter for dithiocarbamate ($Te \dots S_{dtc}$ 3.103 Å) than for the phosphorodithioate ($Te \dots S_{dtp}$ 3.438 Å).²⁸⁰

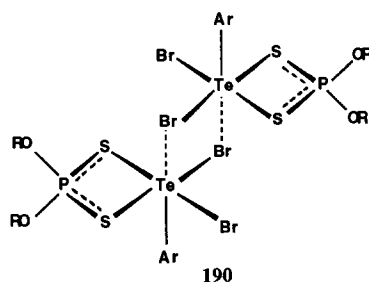


A related mixed ligand complex, $PhTe\{S_2C-NEt_2\}_2\{S_2P(OEt)_2\}$, displays pentagonal bipyramidal geometry, **189**, with five sulphur atoms in the equatorial plane ($Te-S$ distances in the range 2.674–2.708 Å). The phenyl group occupies an axial position, perpendicular to the pentagonal plane, while the second axial position is occupied by a sulphur atom, doubly bonded to phosphorus in a phosphorodithioato ligand.²⁸¹ This axial distance ($Te \dots S$ 3.436 Å) is much longer than the equatorial $Te-S$ bonds (2.690–2.708 Å). The phosphorodithioato ligand is anisobidentate (coordination pattern no. **3**) with $P-S$ 1.992 Å and 1.815 Å (unusually short) and $Te-S$ 2.708 and 3.436 Å. This compound is closely related to the tris(phosphorodithioate) **184** cited above.

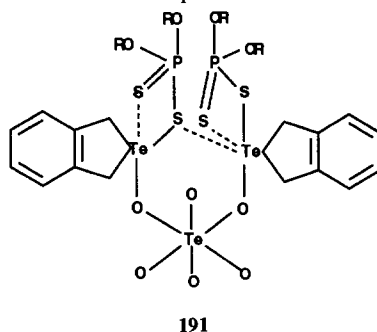


The compound $[p\text{-MeOC}_6\text{H}_4\text{Te}\{S_2P(OMe)_2\}Br_2]_2$ contains a practically isobidentate chelating ligand (rare in tellurium chemistry), with $P-S$ 1.993 and 2.009 Å; $Te-S$ 2.728 and 2.632 Å in tetragonal pyramidal coordination **190** ($R = \text{Me}$). However, if the intermolecular $Te \dots Br$ sec-

ondary interactions (3.810 Å) are also considered, the coordination geometry becomes distorted octahedral.²⁷⁷



A unique mixed valence compound $\text{Te}^{\text{VI}}[\text{OTe}^{\text{IV}}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OEt})_2\}]_6$ contains six Te^{IV} heterocyclic units, each with an anisobidentate phosphorodithioato ligand, connected *via* $\text{Te}^{\text{IV}}\text{—O—Te}^{\text{VI}}$ bonds to the central tellurium(VI) atom, as shown in **191** ($\text{R} = \text{Et}$). Secondary interactions between different units are also present.²⁸²

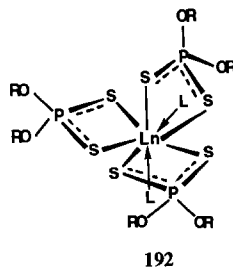


Crystal data and molecular dimensions for tellurium compounds are collected in Table 28.

17. Lanthanides

There are four types of lanthanide phosphorodithioato complex, whose structures have been established by X-ray diffraction: (a) neutral tris(dialkylphosphorodithioato) metal(III) adducts, $\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_3 \cdot 2\text{L}$; (b) anionic tetrakis(dialkylphosphorodithioato) metallates, $(\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_4)^-$; (c) cationic bis(dialkyl-phosphorodithioato) metal complexes, with a non-coordinated phosphorodithioato counter ion, $[\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot 3\text{L}]^+ [\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2]^-$; and (d) mixed cationic–anionic complexes (combination of types (b) and (c)), like $[\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot 3\text{L}]^+ [\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_4]^-$.

In the neutral complexes $\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_3 \cdot 2\text{L}$ investigated, with $\text{Ln} = \text{La}$, $\text{R} = \text{Et}$, $\text{L} = \text{OPPh}_3$,²⁸³ $\text{L} = \text{OS}(\text{CH}_2\text{Ph})_2$,²⁸⁴ $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$, $\text{L} = \text{DMSO}$,²⁸⁵ $\text{L} = \text{MeCONMe}_2$,²⁸⁶ $\text{Ln} = \text{Nd}$, $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$, $\text{L} = \text{PhCONH}_2$,²⁸⁷ the metal is eight-coordinate (distorted square antiprism or dodecahedral), **192**, and the ligands are isobidentate, occupying six of the coordination sites. The other two sites are occupied by a neutral oxygen donor ligand L. Solid state molecular dimensions are listed in Table 29.

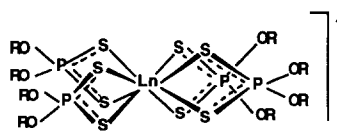


In the anionic tetrakis(dialkylphosphorodithioato) complexes, $[\text{Ph}_4\text{As}]^+ [\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_4]^-$ with $\text{Ln} = \text{La}$, $\text{R} = \text{Et}$,²⁸⁸ $\text{Ln} = \text{Ce}$, $\text{R} = \text{Me}$,^{289a} $\text{Ln} = \text{Nd}$, $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$,^{289a} $\text{Ln} = \text{Ho}$, $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$,^{289a} $\text{Ln} = \text{Er}$, $\text{R} = \text{Me}$,^{289a} Et ²⁸⁸ and $[\text{Ph}_4\text{P}^+][\text{Pr}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OME})_2\}_4]^-$ ^{289b} dodecahedral geometry is achieved by coor-

Table 29—*continued.*

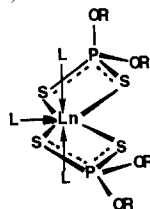
Structure no.	R	L	DMSO	Space group	α			P—S	M—S	S—P—S	M—S—P	Bond type	Ref.
					a	b	β						
193/194	Pr ³⁺	DMSO	P2 ₁ /n	—	29.846	—	—	Cation	2.884	112.3	89.5	chel	285
					20.070	92.13	1.952	1.955	2.872	112.3	89.6	chel	
					14.057	—	1.949	1.982	2.872	112.3	89.6	chel	
Eu	—	—	—	—	—	—	Anion	2.897	112.4	88.9	chel	292	
					—	—	1.943	1.974	2.872	113.0	88.9		chel
					—	—	1.934	1.953	2.876	110.1	91.2		chel
195 Sm	Me	—	P2 ₁ /n	—	10.601	—	—	1.960	2.912	89.6	chel	292	
					17.946	101.90	1.960	1.960	3.047	2.922	chel		
					12.407	—	1.960	1.960	3.047	2.918	bridge		

dination of eight sulphur atoms from four isobidentate ligands, **193**. Molecular dimensions are given in Table 29.



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The complexes $[\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot 3\text{L}]^+ [\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2]^-$ with $\text{Ln} = \text{Sm}$, $\text{R} = \text{Et}$, $\text{L} = \text{OPPh}_3$; $\text{Ln} = \text{Tb}$, Er , $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$, $\text{L} = \text{PhCONH}_2$,²⁹⁰ contain a cation of pentagonal bipyramidal geometry, with two isobidentate chelating phosphorodithioato ligands and the three additional neutral oxygen donor ligands; one phosphorodithioate is anionic, as shown in **194**.

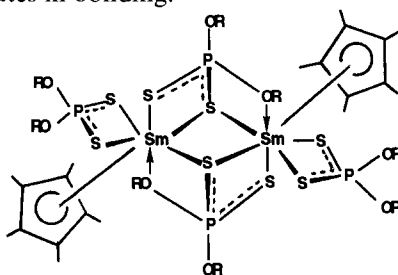


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Finally, the complexes $[\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_2 \cdot 3\text{L}]^+ [\text{Ln}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OR})_2\}_4]^-$ (**193/194**) with $\text{Ln} = \text{Nd}$, $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$, $\text{L} = \text{OSBu}_2$,²⁹¹ and $\text{Ln} = \text{Eu}$, $\text{R} = \text{Pr}^i$, $\text{L} = \text{DMSO}$,²⁸⁵ combine in the same compound a cation **194** and an anion **195** of the types discussed above. Note again that the metal is eight-coordinate in the anion and seven-coordinate in the cation.

Interatomic distances and bond angles are listed in Table 29.

The only organolanthanide compound investigated by X-ray diffraction is the dimeric η^5 -penta-methylcyclopentadienyl samarium complex, $(\eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5)_2\text{Sm}\{\text{S}_2\text{P}(\text{OMe})_2\}_2$. This has an unusual structure **195** ($\text{R} = \text{Me}$) and is the second complex in which the oxygen atom of the phosphorodithioato ligand participates in bonding.²⁹²



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