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Anellated Heterophospholes

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1. Introduction

In 1963 Pilgram and Korte¹ reported the condensation of N-phenyl-1,2-diaminobenzene and triphenylphosphite at 150 to 180°C to give in good yield a product which does not dissolve and does not melt up to 350°C. They attributed to it the formula of a 1,3,2benzodiazaphosphole.



This was daring as in those days no other heterocycle with phosphorus participating in the cyclic delocalization and no stable compound of two-coordinate phosphorus at all was known. Dimroth and Hoffmann's phosphacyanines² and Märkl's first phosphinine³ came, respectively, only one and three years later. The above formula was of course wrong as it was not in accord with the properties of the product (see Section 2.1) - but it was visionary, as it showed the first heterophosphole and in particular the first anellated heterophosphole. It thus anticipated a class of compounds which developed only two decades later and of which we now know quite an impressive number of stable representatives (see Section 7). They were all synthesized during the last 10 - 12 years.

Anellated heterophospholes constitute a special class of heterocyclic compounds in which a heterophosphole ring is fused with another ring. Heterophospholes are aromatic 6π -electron systems and may be thought as derived from typical five-membered heterocycles like pyrrole, furan or thiophene by substituting one CH moiety by an sp²-hybridized phosphorus^{4,5}. In the same sense anellated heterophospholes derive from classical fused systems⁶ such as indole, indolizine, cumarone, thionaphthene, benzimidazole, benzthiazole or azapentalenes. Also in the scope of this report are compounds which derive from azulene or indenyl anion by a CH/P-exchange in the five-membered ring and which thus contain no heteromember other than phosphorus in the ring system. It will be of interest to compare structures and reactivities of the anellated (hetero)phospholes, as they become known, to those of their nonphosphorus containing analogues, and some notes on this aspect have already appeared⁷.

This report gives an up-to-date (August 1993) account of all systems in which a fivemembered ring containing a two-coordinate phosphorus is anellated to a fully unsaturated five-, six- or seven-membered ring. The phosphorus-containing ring may be a heterophosphole or a phosphole, in which case it will bear a negative charge. Complementary the report will include the synthesis of some systems with a saturated second ring; the list of compounds (Section 7) will not cover such systems, however.

Strategies for the synthesis of anellated heterophospholes can again be conceived by substituting P for CH or CR. For example, the method⁷ of preparing 2-phosphaindolizines involving condensation of a 1,2-dialkylpyridininum salt with PCl₃ (Section 2.1) is analogous to Kröhnke's synthesis⁸ of indolizines from the reaction of a pyridinium salt with a car-

boxylic acid anhydride while the alternative approach using phosphaalkynes⁹ (Section 4.1) parallels the known cycloaddition of pyridinium ylides with acetylenecarboxylic esters to afford indolizines^{10,11}. Such analogies open a vista of still to be used synthetic possibilities.

In almost all the syntheses employed for anellated (hetero)phospholes the phosphoruscontaining ring is added to an existing ring. This is achieved by condensation reactions using electrophilic phosphorus reagents like PCl_3 , $P(NR_2)_3$, $P(OPh)_3$, in a special case P_4 , and $ClCH_2PCl_2$, or using nucleophilic phosphorus reagents like phosphines, alkaliphosphides and silylphosphines, or by cycloaddition reactions of phosphaalkynes and their precursor phosphaalkenes to 1,3-dipols. The syntheses are presented hereafter in this order.

2. Synthesis through Cyclocondensation Using Electrophilic Phosphorus

Cyclocondensations involving the use of electrophilic (electronegatively substituted) tervalent phosphorus resemble the syntheses of non phosphorus containing classical fivemembered heterocycles using carboxylic acid derivatives or α -halocarbonyl compounds for condensation.

2.1 4+1-Cyclocondensation

A four-membered chain with nucleophilic functions at both ends on condensing with an appropriate reagent - mostly PCl_3 or $P(NR_2)_3$ - incorporates phosphorus to complete the heterophosphole ring. To produce an anellated (hetero)phosphole, the four-membered chain must be part of a ring and may be composed of carbon atoms only or it may have one or more heteroatoms like nitrogen, oxygen, sulfur or even phosphorus again.

NNCN + P

1,2-Diaminopyridinium iodides^{12,13} 1 condense with $P(NMe_2)_3$ on refluxing in benzene to form 1,2,4,3-triazaphospholo[1,5-*a*]pyridines 2¹⁴. In the same way, the 1,2,4,3-triazaphospholo[5,1-*b*]thiazole 4 has been prepared¹⁵. 1-Amino-2-imino-1,2-dihydropyridines 3 in place of 1 give the same condensation already at 30°C¹⁵.



The method is analogous to the preparation of triazolo[1,5-a] pyridines from condensation of 1,2-diaminopyridinium salts with carboxylic acid anhydrides^{12,13} and hence can be expected to be applicable to other diaminocycloimmonium salts also¹⁶.

NCCN + P

N-Mono-alkyl *o*-phenylenediamines on refluxing with $P(NMe_2)_3$ form oligomers 5 (mostly tetramers) of 1,3,2-benzo-diazaphospholes which are found to be in equilibrium with the monomers 6 at elevated temperature. Complexation with BF₃ stabilizes the monomer¹⁷⁻¹⁹.



The formation of the oligomer 5 rather than of the monomer 6 was recently shown also for the N-phenyl derivative²⁰, thus correcting an earlier report¹. The monomer 6, R = Ph, is stabilized by complexation with AlCl₃²⁰. Condensation of the iminophosphorane generated

from 2-dimethylamino-1,3,2-dithiaphospholane and phenylazide, also yields 5; it involves a reductive disulfide elimination²¹.

4,5-Diaminopyrimidine is reported to react with triphenylphosphite to give 1,3,2-diazaphospholo[1,5-d]pyrimidine. Formation of 1,3,2-diazaphospholopyridines from diaminopyridines under similar conditions is also claimed²². In both cases, however, the physical properties of the isolated materials are in accord with oligomers analogous to 5 rather than with monomeric azaphospholes.

The 1,3-dimethyl-1,3,2-benzodiazaphospholium cation could be prepared as tetrachloroaluminate 8 from 2-chloro-1,3-dimethyl-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,3,2-diazaphosphole 7^{23} ; the latter was obtained from the condensation of PCl₃ with *N*,*N*'-dimethyl o-phenylene diamine²⁴.



Condensation of diaminomaleodinitrile (DAMN) with $P(NMe_2)_3$ first gives the dimethylammonium diazaphospholate 9 which on heating with dimethylamine changes into 4,6-bis(dimethylamino)-1,3,5-triaza-2-phosphapentalene 10, R^{1} - $R^{4} = Me^{25,26}$. With other dialkylamines unsymmetrically substituted diamino pentalenes 10, R^{1} , $R^{2} = Me$, R^{3} , $R^{4} =$ other alkyl groups, are obtained. More symmetrically substituted derivatives are prepared by refluxing 2-chloro-4,5-dicyano-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,3,2-diazaphosphole 11, formed from the cyclocondensation of DAMN with phosphorus trichloride, with dialkylamines.



NCCP + P

o-Aminophenylphosphines condense with $P(NMe_2)_3$ in toluene at 90°C to form 1,2,3benzazadiphospholes $12^{27,28}$.



Reaction with $As(NMe_2)_3$ gives the corresponding 2-arsa derivative, while with $Sb(NMe_2)_3$ the dimer of the 2-stiba derivative is obtained²⁸.

PCCP + P

o-Phenylene bis(lithiumphosphide) 13 reacts with white phosphorus to give 2-lithio-2,3dihydro-1,3-diphenyl-1*H*-benzotriphosphole 14²⁹.



OCCN + P

o-Aminophenol and $P(NEt_2)_3$ form oligomers 15 of 1,3,2-benzoxazaphosphole which on treating with AlCl₃ (or some other Lewis acid) can be changed into the complexed monomer. The latter on reacting with a base may generate free benzoxazaphosphole 16 which again oligomerizes after some time¹⁸.



SCCN + P

o-Aminothiophenol and P(NMe₂)₃ condense at ambient temperature to give the 2dimethylamino-2,3-dihydro-1*H*-1,3,2-benzothiazaphosphole **17**, X = NMe₂. On heating in vacuo (120°C/20 mbar) it loses HNMe₂ and yields 1,3,2-benzothiazaphosphole oligomers **18**. As in the case of **6** and **16** the monomer can be stabilized by complexation with BF₃^{18,30}. The 1,3,2-benzthiazaphospholium cation in **19** has been generated by halide ion abstraction from the dihydro derivatives **17**, X = Cl,Br, which are obtained from the condensation of *o*-aminothiophenol with PCl₃ or PBr₃, respectively³¹.



SCCS + P

The method used for the generation of 1,3,2-benzodiaza- and -thiazaphospholium cations has been extended to the generation of the benzodithiaphospholium cation in 21^{32-34} . Starting compounds are the 2-chloro-1,3,2-benzodithiaphospholes 20, which are obtained from the cyclocondensation of *o*-phenylenedithiols with PCl₃³⁵.



NNCC + P

Cyclopentanone methylhydrazone condenses with PCl₃ to give the two isomeric diazaphospholes 23 and $24^{36,37}$. The reaction has been found to proceed through the intermediate formation of the salts 22a,b, which could be isolated and characterized³⁸.



2-Alkyl-1-aminopyridinium iodides condense with PCl₃ in presence of NEt₃ to give 1,2,3diazaphospholo[1,5-a]pyridines **25**³⁹.



2-Methyl-1-aminopyridinium iodide on reacting with 2 equivalents PCl₃ under these conditions forms 1-dichlorophosphino-1,2,3-diazaphospholo[1,5-a]pyridine (25, $R^1 = PCl_2$, $R^2 = H$)³⁹.

The condensation of 2-alkyl-1-aminopyridinium iodides with PCl₃ is analogous to the synthesis of pyrazolo[1,5-a]pyridine derivatives from the same salts and acyl halides in presence of a base^{40,41} and it should be possible to extend this method to other N-aminocyclo-immonium salts $also^{16}$.

NCNC + P

Condensation of 1-alkyl-2-aminopyridinium halides (X = Cl, Br; $R^1 = CO_2Et$) with PCl₃ in the presence of NEt₃ affords 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a]pyridines 27. The reaction is initiated at the 2-amino group of the pyridinium salt as revealed by isolation of the intermediate 2-(1-alkyl)pyridinylidenamino-dichlorophosphines 26 under mild conditions. The latter could be subsequently cyclized by the action of an additional amount of triethylamine. However, when R^1 does not sufficiently activate the adjacent methylene group ($R^1 = Ph$, 4-MeC₆H₄), the reaction stops at the stage of 26 and cyclization does not occur even on prolonged heating⁴².



3-Alkyl-2-aminothiazolium and -benzothiazolium bromides undergo cyclocondensation with PCl₃ under similar conditions to give the 3-substituted thiazolo[3,2-d][1,4,2]diazaphosphole **31** and the corresponding benzoanellated derivatives **33**, respectively⁴³. Starting from 3-alkyl-2-aminodihydrothiazolium bromides the 5,6-dihydrothiazolo[3,2-d][1,4,2]diazaphospholes **29** have been obtained likewise⁴³. In these cases also, an aminodichlorophosphine (**30**, **32** and **28**, respectively) has been isolated as an intermediate^{44,45}. Sufficient activation of the N-methylene group is again a prerequisite for cyclization.





The above synthetic procedure finds an analogy with the synthesis of imidazo[1,2-a]-pyridines and other related systems from the condensation of 2-amino-1-benzylcycloimmonium salts with carboxylic acid anhydride^{46,47}.

CNCC + P

1,2-Dialkylpyridinium bromides condense with PCl₃ in the presence of NEt₃ to give 2phosphaindolizines **36**. By this method a number of differently substituted 2-phosphaindolizines could be prepared^{7,48}. The reaction appears quite general, but sufficient activation of the *N*-methylene group is essential. In the case of 2-ethyl-1-(2-ethoxy-2-oxoethyl)pyridinium bromide **34**, $R^1 = Me$, $R^2 = CO_2Et$, $R^3 = R^4 = H$, bearing a mildly activated *N*-methylene group, an intermediate ylide **35** could be isolated which cyclized to the 2-phosphaindolizine on heating with additional amount of NEt₃⁷. Obviously, the pyridinium salt bearing an activated *N*-methylene group first changes into the *N*-pyridinium ylide which subsequently reacts with PCl₃ to generate a new *N*-(dichlorophosphinomethylene)pyridinium ylide. When $R^2 =$ COPh, CN or 4-NO₂C₆H₄, it immediately loses more HCl to form the final product. The 5,6,7,8-tetrahydro-1-phenacylquinolinium bromide **37** also condenses with PCl₃ and gives **38**⁷.



2,5-Dimethyl-1-phenacylpyrazinium bromide **39** has been found to react with PCl₃ to form the corresponding 1,3-azaphospholo[1,5-a]pyrazine 40⁷. Although the behaviour of the related pyridazinium and pyrimidinium salts has not been investigated so far, 41 does not undergo cyclocondensation with PCl₃ and NEt₃⁴⁹.



1,3-Azaphospholo[5,1-b]thiazolines 42⁵⁰, -benzothiazoles 43⁵⁰ and -oxazoline 44⁵¹ have also been obtained from the condensation of the corresponding 2,3-dialkylcycloimmonium salts with PCl₃ under similar conditions.



The dilithio-derivative obtained from phenylisonitrile and *tert*-butyllithium reacts with alkyldichlorophosphines RPCl₂ (R = Me, tBu) to furnish the 3H-1,3,2-benzazaphospholes **45**. Flash vacuum pyrolysis (550°C/0.01 mbar) of the *tert*-butyl derivative yields 2-*tert*-butyl-1H-1,3,2-benzazaphosphole **46**⁵².



PCCC + P

The dihalogenophosphino-substituted triphenylphosphonium ylids 47, R = Ph, X = Cl,Br, resulting from benzyl triphenylphosphonium bromide and PX_3 in the presence of NEt₃, undergo with more PX_3 a ring closure to give the 1,2-dihalogeno-3-triphenylphosphinediyl-1,2-diphosphaindanes 48, $R^1, R^2 = H$, X = Cl,Br. This reaction involves an electrophilic ortho-substitution of the ylidic phenyl ring and a reductive diphosphine formation. Dehalogenation of 48 with magnesium or triphenylphosphine yields orange yellow crystalline 3-triphenylphosphonio-1,2-diphosphaindenide 49, $R^1, R^2 = H^{53}$.



Starting from 47, R = 3-MeC₆H₄, X = Cl,Br, likewise results in a mixture of the 5- and 7-methylsubstituted diphosphaindenides 49 ($R^1/R^2 = H/Me$, Me/H)⁵³.

CCCC + P

With no heteroatom in the chain the terminal methylene groups can be activated by phosphonium groups. Thus o-xylenebis(triphenylphosphonium)bromide condenses with PCl₃ in the presence of NEt₃ to give the 1,3-bis(triphenylphosphonio)isophosphindole cation, which is isolated as the bromide **51**; the intermediate **50** could be detected ³¹P-NMR spectroscopically⁵⁴. More representatives having other substituents at the phosphonio groups have been prepared by the same method⁵⁵. **51** could be converted to the BPh₄, SbCl₆ and HgI₃ salts. Protonation and methylation of **51** yield the dication salts **52** R = H, Me, X = Br, BF₄, which represent the first phospholes with a planar three-coordinate phosphorus capable of participating in the cyclic conjugation⁵⁴.



1-Vinyl- and 2-vinyl-1,3,5-cycloheptatrienes condense with benzyldichlorophosphine in the presence of copper stearate to give the dichlorotetrahydro- $1\lambda^5$ -phosphaazulenes **53**, which on dehydrochlorination with α -picoline are converted to the 1-benzyl dihydro-1-phosphaazulenes **54a**,b. Thermolysis of **54a**,b in xylene (sealed tube, 300°C) yields 2-benzyl 1phosphaazulene **56**, involving a 1,5-sigmatropic shift of the benzyl group and the elimination of hydrogen⁵⁶. However, gas phase pyrolysis (300°C/0.01 mbar) in the presence of Pt/C gives exclusively the fully unsubstituted 1-phosphaazulene **55**⁵⁷.



Phospholyl anions are obtained by reductive cleavage of the exocyclic P-C bond of phospholes. In a typical procedure, the cycloadduct of a diene with an organophosphorus dibromide is subjected to dehydrobromination with DBU to yield the phosphole which loses the substituent R on reacting with potassium in tetrahydrofuran. Some phospholyl anions anellated to saturated rings^{58,59} have been made this way.



1-Phenylphosphindole, obtainable by two methods^{60,61}, on reacting with lithium in tetrahydrofuran furnishes phosphindolyllithium 57^{62} . Similarly, 58, M = Li, Na, K, Cs, has been generated from the reaction of phenylbiphenylenephosphine with alkali metals⁶³. The dinaphthophospholyl anion 59 has been prepared from the reaction of lithium on dinaphtho-1-phenylphosphole which was obtained by 4+1-condensation of bis-dialine or 2,2'dilithiobinaphthyl with phenyldichlorophosphine⁶⁴.

2.2 3+2 Cyclocondensation

Chloromethyldichlorophosphine, acting as two atom component condenses with a variety of 2-aminosubstituted azoles and azines (containing an amidine structure) to give anellated 1,4,2-diazaphospholes⁶⁵. In fact, as such heterocyclic amidines have widely been used to synthesize bi- and polycyclic non phosphorus containing heterocycles^{66,67}, it seems possible to extend the reaction with chloromethyldichlorophosphine to more of them. This reagent is used here in place of an α -halocarbonyl compound.

In analogy to the synthesis of pyrazolo[1,2-a] pyridines^{68,69} condensation of 2-aminopyridines with chloromethyldichlorophosphine leads to 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a] pyridines **60** regiospecifically^{65,70}.



2-Aminoquinoline, 2,6-dimethyl-4-amino-pyrimidine and 2-aminopyrimidines behave analogously under these conditions and give 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a]quinoline 61^{30} , 5,7dimethyl-1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-c]pyrimidine 62^{30} and 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[5,4-b]pyrimidines $64^{30,65}$, respectively. In the case of 2-aminopyrimidines it has been possible to isolate the diazadiphosphetidine 63, R = Me⁶⁵, as an intermediate. On treatment with NEt₃ it changes into the final product, presumably through intramolecular nucleophilic displacement of the chlorine atom by the pyridinic nitrogen atom accompanied by the rupture of the diazadiphosphetidine ring and loss of hydrogen chloride. In analogy to the synthesis of imidazo[2,1-b]thiazoles⁷¹ 2-aminothiazoline condenses with chloromethyldichlorophosphine. The reaction is again regiospecific, but the orientation is reversed and the 5,6-dihydro-thiazolo[3,2-e][1,2,4]diazaphosphole **65** is obtained⁶⁵. In this case the reaction probably initiates at the ring nitrogen atom⁶⁵.



2-Aminothiazole reacts analogously and yields the thiazolo[3,2-e][1,2,4]diazaphosphole **66**³⁰. Regiospecificity is not maintained in the reaction of chloromethyldichlorophosphine with 2-aminobenzothiazoles and a mixture of the two benzothiazolo-diazaphospholes **67** and **68** results. Their ratio depends strongly on the substituents in the benzo ring⁷².

3. Synthesis through Cyclocondensation Using Nucleophilic Phosphorus

Phosphines and their metal and silyl derivatives undergo condensation reactions with carbonyl compounds and carboxylic acid derivatives. For the synthesis of anellated phospholes and heterophospholes this reaction can be employed in two ways of a 4+1-cyclocondensation: The four-membered chain may incorporate the phosphorus, or it may contain the phosphorus already and incorporate a carbon member to complete the ring. Examples of both approaches have become accessible. They resemble the synthesis of anellated azoles using ammonia or anilines.

3.1 4+1 Cyclocondensation with P as the Member Being Introduced

Tris(trimethylsilyl)phosphine has been commonly used for this purpose. In one case, potassium dihydrogenphosphide finds use as the nucleophilic phosphorus reagent.

CNNC + P

1,3,4-Oxadiazolo[3,2-a]pyridinium salts react with $P(SiMe_3)_3$ to give 1,2,4-diazaphospholo[1,5-a]pyridines 69⁷³. The use of As(SiMe_3)₃ yields the corresponding arsole.



The 2-hydroxy derivative 70 has been obtained using 1,3,4-oxadiazol-2-olato[4,5-a]pyridine; it could be converted to O-acyl derivatives⁷⁴.

CCNC + P

1,3-Oxazolo[3,2-a]pyridinium salts react with $P(SiMe_3)_3$ to afford 1-phosphaindolizines 71^{73} .



CCCC + P

Phthaloyldichloride condenses with $P(SiMe_3)_3$ to form 3-trimethylsiloxy-1*H*-2-benzo-phosphol-1-one **72** which subsequently dimerizes^{75,76} (see 6.2).



The synthesis of other phospholes having a partially or fully saturated anellated sixmembered ring has been accomplished in a similar manner⁷⁶. Diethylphthalate requires a stronger nucleophilic reagent, potassium dihydrogenphosphide, which condenses in the presence of 18-crown-6 to produce the potassium salt of the 2*H*-isophosphindoline-1,3-dione anion **73**⁷⁷.

3.2 4+1-Cyclocondensation with P in the Four-Membered Chain

Phenylphosphines having a substituent like amino, hydroxy or mercapto group in the *ortho*-position provide a four-membered chain which condenses with an appropriate carbonic acid derivative to form benzoheterophospholes. 1,2-Diphosphinobenzene condenses to yield benzodiphospholes. A variety of carbonic⁷⁸⁻⁸⁰ and carboxylic acid derivatives⁸¹⁻⁹⁰ and aldehydes⁹¹ have been used for this purpose.

NCCP + C

1,3-Benzazaphospholes have been obtained from the condensation of o-aminophenylphosphines with different carboxylic acid derivatives. As an example, condensation with Omethylimidate hydrochlorides gives 74, R = H, Me; $R^1 = H$, Me, $Ph^{83,86,87}$. 74, R =Me, $R^1 = tBu$, was obtained through condensation with N-tolyl-tert-butyl imidoyl chloride, however⁸⁷.



In another version, o-aminophenylphosphine was first persilylated. The product on reacting with diphenylcarbodiimide followed by the action of methanol afforded 2-anilino-1,3benzazaphosphole 75⁸⁰.

PCCP + C

1,2-Diphosphinobenzene condenses directly with amideacetals to give 1,3-benzodiphospholes⁸⁸. Alternatively it is first converted to an alkalimetal or silyl derivative which subsequently condenses with a suitable electrophilic moiety to form the 1,3-benzodiphosphole.

The monosodiumphosphide 76 reacts with an alkoxy-dimethylamino-carbenium tetrafluoroborate to give 2-substituted 1,3-benzodiphospholes 77^{88,90}. In the case of the corresponding disodium phosphide, however, cyclization does not occur and 1,2-bis(dimethylaminoalkylidenephosphino)benzene is formed⁹⁰.



Persilylated 1,2-diphosphinobenzene reacts with phosgene imides to form 2-amino-1,3benzodiphosphole derivatives 78⁸⁸.



The more reactive 1,2-di(lithiophosphino)benzene condenses with diphenylcarbodiimide to give the dilithiated 2-anilino derivative 79 which undergoes silylation to yield 78, $R = Ph^{79}$.



The reaction of 1,2-bis(lithio-trimethylsilylphosphino)benzene with electrophilic carbon moieties like carbon dioxide⁷⁸, carbodiimide⁸¹ or an acyl chloride^{81,82} leads to a 1,3-benzodiphospholyl anion such as 80 in the case of CO₂. The products can be alkylated or silylated to furnish the neutral 1,3-benzodiphosphole, e.g. 81.

It has been found that the cyclocondensation of 1,2-diphosphinobenzene is accompanied by the formation of side products resulting from oxidative P-P bond formation⁸⁹. OCCP + C

1,3-benzoxaphospholes 82 could be obtained from the reaction of o-hydroxyphenylphosphine with acyl chlorides followed by dehydration⁸⁴ or with arylimidoyl chlorides^{84,85}. In one of the latter cases the intermediate 83 could be isolated.



SCCP + C

o-Mercaptophenylphosphines undergo condensation with amideacetals as well as benzaldehyde to give 1,3-benzothiaphospholes 84^{91} .



4. Synthesis through Cycloaddition

4.1 3+2-Cycloaddition of Phosphaalkenes and -alkynes

Phosphaalkynes and phosphaalkenes have been found to act as dienophiles and 1,3dipolarophiles and undergo 4+2-and 3+2-cycloadditions leading to the formation of a variety of organophosphorus compounds⁹²⁻⁹⁴. Anellated phospholes and heterophospholes have been synthesized from 3+2-cycloadditions of these synthons with appropriate, ring derived 1,3dipoles. Although only a limited number of anellated heterophospholes and phospholes have been obtained this way so far, some well-formulated synthetic processes have been developed which can be exploited for phosphorus analogues of other anellated heterocycles.

NNC + CP

Diazo compounds undergo 3+2-cycloaddition with phosphaalkynes to form anellated 1,2,4-diazaphospholes. The reaction of cyclic α -diazoketones such as 85 with *tert*-butyl phosphaacetylene first gives the spirocyclic product 86 which undergoes a 1,5-sigmatropic shift to yield the 2,3-anellated 1,2,4-diazaphosphole 87⁹⁵⁻⁹⁷.



CNC + CP

Azomethine ylides and azomethine imines of pyridine, quinoline, isoquinoline and related nitrogen heterocycles are potential 1,3-dipoles which undergo 3+2 cycloaddition with a variety of dipolarophiles leading to the formation of fused heterocycles⁹⁸. This method has been extended to the use of a phosphaalkyne as dipolarophile and different anellated 1,3-azaphospholes have been obtained⁹.

The pyridinium ylide 88 undergoes regiospecific 3+2-cycloaddition with *tert*-butylphosphaacetylene to give the 2-phosphaindolizine 36 ($\mathbb{R}^1 = t\mathbb{B}u$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{CO}_2\mathbb{E}t$, \mathbb{R}^3 , $\mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{H}$)⁹.



3+2-Cycloadditions of pyridinium (89, X = CH, Y = CH), pyridazinium (89, X = N, Y = CH) and pyrazinium (89, X = CH, Y = N) dicyanomethylides with *tert*-butylphosphaacetylene have also been carried out, but the reaction is not regioselective and a mixture of the two isomers 90 and 91 is obtained in each case. However, regioselectivity is observed when *tert*-butyl and isopropoxy groups are introduced in 4-position of 89, X = CH, $Y = CH^9$.



Isoquinolinium and phthalazinium ylides, 92 and 93 respectively, react with phosphaalkynes similarly to form 94 and 95; the reaction is again regiospecific, though the dipole orientation is reversed as compared to the formation of 36 ($\mathbb{R}^1 = t\mathbb{B}u$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = CO_2Et$, \mathbb{R}^3 , $\mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{H}$)⁹.



The 1,3-dipoles 97, generated from the 3*H*-pyrido[1,2,3-*de*]quinoxalinium bromides 96 and triethylamine, react analogously with *tert*-butylphosphaacetylene and yield regiospecifically the phosphazaallacines 98, R = Me, Ph^{99} .



SeCC + CP

Bicyclic 1,2,3-selenadiazoles such as 99 on photolysis or thermolysis generate an electron deficient species which is trapped by a phosphaalkyne to give 1,3-selenaphospholes 100^{100} .



CCC + CP

Electron-rich heptafulvenes undergo [8+2]-cycloaddition with reactive polyenophiles to form azulene derivatives¹⁰¹. Phenylphosphaethyne or its precursor, 1-chloro-2-phenyl-2-trime-thylsilylphosphaethene, reacts with 8-methoxyheptafulvene **101** likewise to form 2-phospha-azulene **102** regioselectively. The reaction is carried out in the presence of KF and [18]-crown-6¹⁰².



MCC + CP (M = Ti, Zr)

Benzometallaphospholes have been obtained by heating bis(cyclopentadienyl)diphenyltitanium and zirconium 103, M = Ti, Zr, with *tert*-butylphosphaacetylene¹⁰³. The reaction involves initial formation of the dehydrobenzometal complex 104 which undergoes 3+2cycloaddition with the phosphaalkyne to furnish 105.



4.2 [1,5]-Electrocyclization

3-Phenyl-1,2,3,4-triazaphospholes 106, R = Me, tBu, prepared from the 3+2-cycloaddition of phosphaalkynes with phenylazide, on flash vacuum pyrolysis split off nitrogen giving two types of species: the carbene 108 and the phosphinidene 109 formed through the azaphosphirene 107. These species subsequently undergo [1,5]-electrocyclization followed by proton migrations to form anellated azaphospholes: 108 leads to the 1,2-benzazaphosphole 110 whereas the 1,3-benzazaphosphole 111 results from 109. The analogous reactions are observed for the 3-naphthyl-1,2,3,4-triazaphosphole^{104,105}.



5. Physical, Spectral and Structural Characteristics

5.1 UV/VIS Spectra

While anellated heterophospholes generally are colourless to yellow, they exhibit in some cases intense colours. For example 4,6-diamino-1,3,5-triaza-2-phosphapentalenes 10 are deep red due to a CT transition²⁶. 1,3-Benzodithiaphospholium tetrachloroaluminates are deep orange solids³²⁻³⁴. 1-Phosphaazulene⁵⁷ and its 2-benzyl derivative⁵⁶ are green and blue-green, respectively, while 1-methoxy-3-phenyl-2-phosphaazulene 102 forms red crystals¹⁰².

The UV spectra of several anellated heterophospholes have been reported^{22,26,56,75,80} ^{82,84-87,102}. Exchange of N in an azole for P is accompanied by a bathochromic shift of λ_{max} . Thus λ_{max} shifts from 200-205 nm in benzimidazole to 226-256 nm in 1,3-benzazaphospholes⁸⁴⁻⁸⁶. 1-Phosphaazulene ($\lambda_{max} = 730 \text{ nm}$) and 2-benzyl-1-phosphaazulene ($\lambda_{max} = 700 \text{ nm}$) also show a bathochromic shift as compared to azulene ($\lambda_{max} = 695 \text{ nm}$) and its 2-benzyl derivative ($\lambda_{max} = 677 \text{ nm}$)^{56,57}. In the case of 2-aryl-1,3-benzoxaphospholes the bathochromic shift of λ_{max} at longest wavelength has been correlated with the conjugative effect of the substituent in the phenyl ring, which decreases in the order 4-MeOC₆H₄ > 4-ClC₆H₄ > Ph. Solutions of 2-aryl-1,3-benzoxaphospholes (10⁻² to 10⁻⁴ M) exhibit strong blue fluorescence (λ_{Em} 416 nm)⁸⁴.

5.2 Photoelectron Spectra

The He(I) photoelectron spectra of 1,3-benzazaphospholes and 1,3-benzoxaphospholes along with their nitrogen and arsenic analogues have been determined and correlated with the results of MNDO and CNDO/S quantum chemical calculations^{106,107}. Although there is a strong interaction between the E=C (E = N, P, As) bond and the π -system of the benzene ring, the HOMO possesses predominantly E=C character.

In the photoelectron spectra of 1,2,3-benzazadiphosphole, the first six ionisation bands could be resolved²⁸. The first two bands (8.1 and 8.6 eV) correspond to π -orbitals, the lower one indicating strong localization on the P=P bond, whereas the third (9.4 eV) and the fifth (10.4 eV) are related to the lone pairs at the two phosphorus atoms.

5.3 IR Spectra

The IR spectral data of several anellated heterophospholes have been reported^{22,31-34,62}, ^{74-76,82,83,87,96,104}. The ν_{PS} stretching vibration in the 1,3-benzodithiaphospholium cation is observed at 716.1 cm⁻¹ ³²⁻³⁴.

5.4 Mass Spectra

Mass spectral data of various anellated heterophospholes have been reported $^{18,22,27,31-34}$, 56,62,73,74,82,86,90,103,105. In a few cases the molecular ion forms the base peak 74,82,86 .

5.5 NMR Spectra

The chemical shift range of the two-coordinate phosphorus in fully unsaturated anellated heterophospholes and phospholes extends from $\delta = +495$ to -5 with most of the shifts between +300 and +50 (Figure 1; for compilations see ref.¹⁰⁸ and Section 7).



FIGURE 1 The chemical shifts δ^{31} P of the anellated fully delocalized heterophospholes and phospholes from Section 7 arranged according to the ring members X,Y adjacent to the phosphorus atom and to the position of anellation, as shown by I, II and III.



Depending on the ring members adjacent to the phosphorus atom δ^{31} P tends to higher field in the order Se,S < As,P < O,N < C. With the neighbouring atoms kept constant the phosphorus nucleus is less shielded in the anellated heterophospholes of type I than in those of type II and III (Figure 1). This is shown by the benzoderivatives of 1,3-azaphospholes, of which all three possibilities of anellation leaving the phosphorus dicoordinate are verified. 1,2- and 4,5-anellation shifts δ^{31} P to higher field, while 1,5-anellation causes a deshielding of the phosphorus nucleus, as compared to monocyclic 1,3-azaphospholes:





The influence of an α -substituent on δ^{31} P is similar to that in monocyclic heterophospholes^{108,111} and in acyclic two-coordinate phosphorus compounds^{111,112}.

In 2-phosphaindolizines δ^{31} P is affected strongly by R² and less by R¹, as shown by the series of 1,3-disubstituted derivatives below.

| Chemical shifts δ^{31} P of | $\mathbf{R^2}$: | = Ph | $4-NO_2C_6H_4$ | CN | $\rm CO_2Et$ | COPh |
|------------------------------------|------------------|-------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| 2-phosphaindolizines | | | | | | |
| $\mathbf{R}^1 =$ | = Br | | | | | 176.8 |
| | \mathbf{Ph} | 120.9 | 130.6 | 160.5 | 160.0 | 178.5 |
| N- | H | | 132.2 | | 162.0 | 179.8 |
| $R^2 \rightarrow R^1$ | <i>t</i> Bu | | | 161.0 | 162.4 | |
| `P´ | Me | | 136.0 | 165.2 | 165.5 | 183.6 |
| | PCl ₂ | | 142.4 | | 180.4 | 197.2 |
| | PPhC | 1 | | | | 199.7 |

While the phosphorus chemical shift of the 2-tert-butyl-1,3-benzodiphospholyl anion, $\delta^{31}P = 145.1^{82}$, fits well to the other values of line C,C (II) (Figure 1), the chemical shift of two-coordinate phosphorus in neutral 2-tert-butyl-1,3-benzodiphospholes, $\delta^{31}P = 263-294$, is found at considerably lower field and is not included in Figure 1. The shift indicates the loss of delocalization as the second phosphorus becomes pyramidal three-coordinate and it compares well with $\delta^{31}P$ of electron poor phosphaalkenes¹¹². There is also an analogous reactivity observed for the P=C bond in these compounds (see Sections 4.1 and 4.2).

One bond P,P-coupling constants in 1*H*-1,2,3-benzazadiphospholes (${}^{1}J_{PP} = 493-496$ Hz)^{27,28} and 3-triphenylphosphonio-1,2-benzodiphospholides (${}^{1}J_{PP} = 476-480$ Hz)⁵³ are of the same order as in diphosphenes^{111,112}.

 ${}^{2}J_{\rm PP}$ in 1*H*-1,3-benzodiphospholes ranges from 9 to 39 Hz^{78,79,82,90}. In α -phosphino substituted heterophospholes ${}^{2}J_{\rm PP}$ strongly depends on the substituents at the phosphorus and decreases in the order PCl₂ (130-199 Hz) > PPhCl (60-70 Hz) > P(OMe)₂ (46-57 Hz) > PPh₂ (2-9 Hz) (Section 7).

Solid state ³¹P-NMR of 1,3,2-benzodithiaphospholium and 1,3,2-benzothiazaphospholium tetrachloroaluminates reveal a phosphorus chemical shift anisotropy $\Delta \delta > 500$ for all three investigated compounds. In one case the orientation of the ³¹P chemical shift tensor was determined from dipolar chemical shift ³¹P-NMR experiments and is in good agreement with ab initio chemical shielding calculations¹¹³.

¹³C- and ¹H-NMR data of various anellated heterophospholes and phospholes have been reported; most of them refer to anellated 1,3-azaphospholes (Section 7). Typical for the (hetero)phosphole ring are ¹ $J_{PC} = 35-73$ Hz and ² $J_{PC} = 2-18$ Hz. Phosphorus coupling to carbon atoms of the anellated ring over three (1-20 Hz), four (1-5 Hz), five (1-4 Hz) and even six bonds (1.0 Hz)⁵⁰ has been observed.

For an ellated heterophospholes with a -P=CH- fragment ${}^{2}J_{PH}$ ranges mainly from 29 to 56 Hz and is of the same order as in Z-phosphaalkenes¹¹¹.

¹⁵N-NMR data for 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a]pyridine (N-1: $\delta = -127.6$, ¹ $J_{PN} = 89.1$ Hz; N-4: $\delta = -161.7$, ² $J_{PN} = 2.0$ Hz)⁷⁰, for its 3-ethoxycarbonyl derivative (N-1: $\delta = -124.1$, ¹ $J_{PN} = 86.9$ Hz; N-4: $\delta = -156.8$, ² $J_{PN} = 2.2$ Hz)⁴², and for the AlCl₃-complex of 1-phenyl-1,3,2-benzodiazaphosphole (N-1: $\delta = -169.0$, ¹ $J_{PN} = 74.4$ Hz; N-3: $\delta = -199.3$, ¹ $J_{PN} = 75.6$ Hz)²⁰ have been reported.

5.6 X-Ray Structure Investigations

X-Ray crystal structure determinations of 1,3-benzazaphosphole¹¹⁴, 2-(p-chlorophenyl)-1,3-benzoxaphosphole¹¹⁵, 1-tert-butyl-3-methoxycarbonyl-2-phosphaindolizine⁹⁹, 3-cyano-2tert-butyl-1,3-azaphospholo[1,2-a]phthalazine⁹, 1,3-dimethyl-1,3,2-benzodiazaphospholium tetrachloroaluminate^{23,32}, 1,3,2-benzothiazaphospholium tetrachloroaluminate²³, 1.3.2benzodithiaphospholium tetrachloroaluminate³¹⁻³⁴, 1,3-bis(diphenylvinylphosphonio)isophosphindolide bromide⁵⁵, 1,3-bis(triphenylphosphonio)isophosphindolide cyclopentadienyl tricarbonyltungstate⁵⁵, and potassium isophosphindolide-1,3-dione⁷⁷ have been reported. They all show planar ring systems with averaged bond distances. The angle at the phosphorus atom ranges from 88 to 100°. PC bond lengths range from 170 to 180 pm as compared to 167 pm and 185 pm for the localized double and single PC bond in phosphaalkenes¹¹⁶. PN bond lengths range from 164 to 166 pm and are in between of those for the more or less localized double (156 pm) and single bond (167 pm) in amino-iminophosphines¹¹⁷. The PS bond length in the 1,3,2-benzodithiaphospholium cation (average 172 pm) is exceptionally short³¹⁻³⁴.

5.7. Quantum Chemical Calculations

Quantum chemical calculations of different levels on various anellated heterophospholes^{7,26,28,32,77,118} have been carried out (Section 7).

MNDO calculations on 4,6-diamino-1,3,5-triaza-2-phosphapentalene 10, R^{1} - R^{4} = H confirm the zwitterionic structure. HOMO and LUMO are localized at the anionic 1,3,2-diazaphosphole part and the cationic 1,3-diamino-2-azaallyl part of the molecule, respective-ly²⁶.

For indolizine the π -charge is highest in position 1 and 3^{119} which explains their ready electrophilic substitution¹⁰. According to MNDO calculations, a dicoordinate phosphorus atom in position 2 lowers the π -electron density at the adjacent carbon atoms⁷, in accord with the lower reactivity of 2-phosphaindolizines towards electrophiles (Section 4.6).

MINDO/3 and Extended Hückel calculations on the isophosphindolide-1,3-dione anion are found to explain the marcon colour of this species⁷⁷.

For the 1,3,2-benzodiaza-, 1,3,2-benzothiaza- and 1,3,2-benzodithiaphospholium cations the calculated HOMO-LUMO gap decreases in this order. The LUMOs are localized mainly at the phosphorus atom, which is therefore expected to be the preferred site for nucleophilic attack³².

6. Reactivity

In all the anellated systems the heterophosphole or phosphole ring is the centre of reactivity. Most of the reactions involve an increase of the coordination number at the phosphorus atom: 1,2-additions to the formal P=C or P=N bond or 1,1-additions to (oxidation of) the phosphorus atom. These two types of reactions may also take place successively with either the 1,2-addition preceding the 1,1-addition or vice versa. In some cases, a 1,1-addition at the phosphorus atom may be followed by a second one, leading to zwitterionic hexacoordinate phosphorus derivatives. Electrophiles may attack a dicoordinate nitrogen atom or the phosphorus atom of an azaphosphole. At a CH or NH ring member adjacent to the phosphorus atom different substituents may be introduced by a two-step electrophilic substitution: a 1,2-addition to P=C is followed by a 1,2-elimination to give the substitution.

6.1 Addition of Protic Reagents to P=C or P=N (see also 6.6)

Protic reagents add to the P=C or P=N bond of the heterophosphole ring in such a way that the proton is bonded to the carbon or the nitrogen atom in accordance with the polarity of these bonds.

Addition of HX (HCl, HI, HSPh, PhAsH₂, Me₃SnH) to the 1,3-benzoxaphosphole **82** (R = tBu, R¹ = H) leads to the 2,3-dihydro-1,3-benzoxaphospholes **112**. The addition of HCl is reversible: heating of **112**, X = Cl, with DBU regenerates **82** (R = tBu, R¹ = H). In the case of phenyl arsine, the addition product **112**, X = AsPhH, under the reaction conditions loses (AsPh)₆ and gives the P-H-derivative **113**. The addition of trimethyltinhydride is catalyzed by AIBN and yields stereospecifically the *trans*-2,3-dihydro-1,3-benzoxaphosphole **112**, X = SnMe₃, which is converted to **113** by heating with more trimethyltinhydride¹²⁰.



Similarly, the 1,3-benzodiphosphole 77 (R = Et, $R^1 = tBu$) forms 1,2-addition products 114 with HCl as well as with MeOH^{81,82}.

1,4,2-Diazaphospholo[4,5-a]pyridine 60 ($\mathbb{R}^2,\mathbb{R}^4,\mathbb{R}^5 = \mathbb{H}$) reacts with MeOH to form the 1,2-addition product 115 which can be oxidized with sulfur to give 116. The analogous reaction with HNEt₂, however, occurs only in the presence of sulfur and yields 117^{65,70}.



BF₃-complexes of 1,3,2-benzodiazaphospholes react with alcohols in the presence of NEt₃ to form 1,2-addition products **118**. In case of butanol, an intermediate 1,1-addition product could be observed. Diethylamine also gives a 1,2-addition derivative¹⁹. In the reaction with diols, 1,2-addition of the one hydroxy group is followed by 1,1-addition of the other to yield the spirocyclic phosphorane **119**¹⁹.



Addition of alcohols (R = Me, $CH(CF_3)_2$, $4-MeC_6H_4$, $2,4,6-Me_3C_6H_2$) to the P=N bond in 4,6-bis(diethylamino)-1,3,5-triaza-2-phosphapentalene **10** ($R^1-R^4 = Et$) and simultaneous oxidation by sulfur or grey selenium yield 1,2-dihydropentalene 2-sulfides **120** or 2-selenides **121**^{30,121,122}.



The 2-phosphaindolizine **36** ($\mathbb{R}^1, \mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{H}, \mathbb{R}^2 = \operatorname{COPh}, \mathbb{R}^3 = \operatorname{Bu}$) reacts with \mathbb{H}_2S in the presence of sulfur in a 1,2-addition and oxidation followed by proton migration to yield the zwitterionic dithiophosphinate 122^{123} . A selenium analogue of 122 has also been obtained (see Section 4.4).



Reaction of 2-*tert*-butyl 1,3-benzoxaphosphole 82 (R = tBu, $R^1 = H$) with dry oxygen in the presence of an alcohol (R = Me, Et) yields the ring-opened product 123 with both P and C oxidized, and as a side product 124 (mixture of diastereomers), in which the oxaphosphole ring is preserved.



The latter is obtained also from the oxidation with 30% hydrogen peroxide in the presence of ethanol. Oxidation with dry oxygen in absence of an alcohol leads to oligomeric phosphine oxides, which probably result from the addition of O_2 to the P=C bond¹²⁴.

1,3-Benzazaphospholes⁸³ and 1,3-benzoxaphospholes¹²⁰ are resistant to hydrolysis, while 2-phosphaindolizines and diazaphospholopyridines are quite susceptible to hydrolysis and yield zwitterionic products. In these cases, the reaction with water is initiated most probably by a 1,2-addition across the P=C or P=N bond which is followed by a further addition of water leading to the cleavage of these bonds.

Reaction of the 2-phosphaindolizines **36** ($R^1 = H$, $R^2 = COPh$, $R^3/R^4 = H/H$, H/Me, Bu/H) with water first gives the zwitterionic phosphinates **125** which are further hydrolyzed to the pyridinium salts **34**, ($R^1 = H$, $R^2 = COPh$, $H_2PO_3^-$ in place of Br^-)⁷.

The hydrolysis of 1-methyl-1,2,3-diazaphospholo[1,5-*a*]-pyridine **25** ($\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{M}e$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{H}$)³⁹ and of 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[1,5-*a*]-pyridines **27** and **60** ($\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{H}$)^{42,65,70} proceeds analogously and involves the cleavage of the P-N bond. The structure of **127** ($\mathbb{R}^1,\mathbb{R}^3-\mathbb{R}^5 = \mathbb{H}$) has been confirmed by X-ray crystal studies⁷⁰. In the case of **127**, $\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{CO}_2\mathbb{E}t$, further hydrolysis to the pyridinium salts **128**, takes place under the reaction conditions⁴².



Hydrolysis of the 1-bromo-substituted 2-phosphaindolizine **36** ($\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{B}r$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{COPh}$, $\mathbb{R}^3 = \mathbb{B}u$, $\mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{H}$) interestingly involves the debromination of C-1 coupled to the oxidation of the phosphorus atom, and yields the phosphonic acid **129**¹²⁵.



A similar intramolecular redox reaction has been observed in the reaction of 4-bromo-1,2,3-diazaphospholes with protic reagents¹²⁶.

6.2 Cycloaddition to P=C or P=N

Like in acyclic phosphaalkenes^{116,117} the P=C bond in heterophospholes can undergo cycloaddition reactions as dienophile or as dipolarophile^{4,5,127}. Only a few [4+2]-Cycloadditions and no 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of anellated heterophospholes have been reported so far, however. It is found that the reactivity of the P=C moiety is influenced by the nature of the other heteroatoms of the phosphole ring. In some cases regioselectivity has been observed.

Unlike 2-phosphaindolizines¹²⁸ and 1,3-benzazaphospholes^{81,82} the 1,3-benzodiphosphole 77 (R = Et, $R^1 = tBu$) reacts with 1,4-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene to give the [4+2]-cycloadduct 130^{81,82}. Similarly, 1*H*-1,2,3-benzazadiphosphole 12 ($R^1, R^2 = H$) and 2,3-dimethyl-1,3butadiene yield 131²⁷.



The 1,3-benzoxaphospholes 82 (R = Me, tBu, R¹ = H) react likewise and form [4+2]cycloadducts 132 and 133 (R = Me, tBu) with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene and tetrachloroo-benzoquinone, respectively. The reaction with dimethylbutadiene is stereospecific and cisanellation occurs¹²⁹. The structure of 133, R = Me, has been confirmed by X-ray analysis¹³⁰. With more tetrachloro-o-benzoquinone 133, R = tBu, undergoes a 1,1-addition at the phosphorus atom to give 135, while 133, R = Me, on hydrolysis yields the phosphinic acid arylester 134¹²⁹.



The 1,3-azaphospholo[5,1-b]benzothiazole 43 ($R = CO_2Et$) does not react with 2,3dimethyl-1,3-butadiene or with isoprene alone. However, if the reaction is carried out in the presence of O_2 , S_8 , or Se_n , the [4+2]-cycloadduct 136 ($R^1 = H$, Me, X = O, S, Se) with pentavalent phosphorus is obtained. The reaction with isoprene occurs regioselectively¹²³. It is suggested that in a first step the phosphorus is oxidized to give a transient species with a three-coordinate pentavalent phosphorus for which in case of X = S a $\delta^{31}P = 127.0$ is observed and which subsequently undergoes cycloaddition¹³¹. This reaction is analogous to that of 2-phenyl-4,5-dimethyl-phosphinine with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene in the presence of sulphur^{132,133}.



The 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a]pyridine 60 ($\mathbb{R}^2,\mathbb{R}^5 = \mathbb{H}$, $\mathbb{R}^4 = \mathbb{M}e$) yields with 2,3dimethyl-1,3-butadiene the [4+2]-cycloadduct 137⁶⁵. Similarly, the [4+2]-cycloaddition of 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[5,4-b]benzothiazole 33 ($\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathrm{CO}_2\mathrm{Et}$, $\mathbb{R}^2 = \mathbb{H}$) with 1,3-butadienes gives 138 ($\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{H}$, $\mathbb{M}e$), which are converted to the corresponding sulfides or selenides 139 ($\mathbb{R} = \mathbb{H}$, $\mathbb{M}e$, X = S, Se). 1,4,2-Diazaphospholo[5,4-b]thiazolines 29 ($\mathbb{R} = \mathrm{CO}_2\mathrm{Me}$, $\mathrm{CO}_2\mathrm{Et}$) react with 1,3-butadienes only in the presence of S₈ or Se_n to give the cycloadducts 140 ($\mathbb{R} = \mathrm{CO}_2\mathrm{Me}$, $\mathrm{CO}_2\mathrm{Et}$, $\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{H}$, Me , X = S, Se). The cycloaddition of isoprene proceeds regioselectively in these cases as well¹³¹.





The isophosphindole derivative 72 is stable up to -20° C; at higher temperatures it undergoes head to head dimerization to form 141^{76} . The structure of the product has been confirmed by X-ray analysis⁷⁶, which corrects an earlier report suggesting head to tail dimerization⁷⁵.



As mentioned earlier (Section 2.1), 1,3,2-benzodiazaphospholes do not exist as monomers at room temperature but form tetramers. Oligomerization involves nucleophilic interaction of the nitrogen atom of one monomer with the phosphorus atom of the other. A hard acceptor like BF₃ competes effectively for the nitrogen and hence stabilizes the monomeric form¹⁷⁻¹⁹.

6.3 Cycloaddition to P

As part of the heterophosphole ring, the two-coordinate phosphorus loses much of its nucleophilic character. In most cases it will not alkylate (for an exception see Section 4.4) and will not be oxidized by oxygen, sulfur or selenium (for exceptions see Sections 4.1 and 4.2); however, it coordinates to transition metals (see Section 4.7) and undergoes 1,1-additions. The addition of α -diimines, α -diketones, α -quinones and azodicarboxylic esters to the phosphorus leads to the formation of a spirocyclic product and these reactions have been termed as 4+1-cycloadditions analogous to cheletropic reactions. It is found that phosphorus having high π -electron density is particularly susceptible to this type of reactions. 1,3,2-Benzodiazaphospholes 6 (R = Et, sBu, CH₂SPh), generated from their tetramers 5 (n = 4) by heating, are trapped by α -dimines (R¹ = Pr, Ph) to form spirocyclic products 142¹³⁴. The reaction of 6 (R = sBu) with benzil proceeds analogously and yields 143¹³⁵. A similar reaction is found for the AlCl₃-complexes of 1-phenyl-1,3,2-benzodiazaphosphole and 1,3,2-benzoxazaphosphole and α -dimines to give 144 (R = Pr, Ph)²⁰ and 145¹³⁴, respectively. In the case of 144 decomplexation is achieved by treatment with NEt₃²⁰.



In the case of electron-rich heterophospholes, double 1,1-additions of heterodienes to the phosphorus have been observed. The products are zwitterionic with the hexacoordinated phosphorus showing a characteristic upfield ³¹P-NMR shift. 4,6-Bis(diethylamino)-1,3,5-triaza-2-phosphapentalene 10 (\mathbb{R}^1 - $\mathbb{R}^4 = \mathrm{Et}$) adds azodicarboxylic esters ($\mathbb{R} = \mathrm{Et}$, *i*Pr) to give the spirocyclic derivatives 146 and a second equivalent to give the zwitterionic compounds 147^{30,122}. With 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-o-benzoquinone the 1:2-adduct 148 is formed^{30,126}. 147 and 148 are obtained each as mixture of three isomers^{122,126}.

Similarly the 2-phosphaindolizine **36** ($R^1 = Me$, $R^2 = COPh$, R^3 , $R^4 = H$) reacts with tetrachloro-o-benzoquinone in methylene chloride to form **149**¹²⁶.



Under milder conditions (diethylether, 0°C) the 1-tert-butyl-3-cyano-[1,3]-azaphospholo-[1,5-a]pyridazine **90** (X = N, Y = CH) does not react with tetrachloro-o-benzoquinone, while the isomeric 1,3-azaphospholo[1,2-a]pyridazine **91** (X = N, Y = CH) gives a 1:2 cycloaddition

product analogous to 149^{99} . The higher reactivity of 91 is in accord with the higher π electron density predicted by MNDO calculations for the phosphorus atom in the 1-position of phosphaindolizines as compared to the 2-position⁷.

For the cycloadduct of 1-methyl-1,3-benzazaphosphole 74 (R = Me, $R^1 = H$) with two equivalents of tetrachloro-o-benzoquinone a betaine structure with a hexacoordinate phosphorus analogous to that of 149 has been assumed on the basis of ³¹P-NMR data¹²⁹.

6.4 N-Substitution, Alkylation and Coordination

1,3-Benzazaphosphole 74 (R,R¹ = H) reacts with PCl₃ to give the N-dichlorophosphino derivative 150 as a red, moisture sensitive oil. When 74 (R = H, R¹ = H, SMe, Ph) is heated with sulfur, a product 151, in which the nitrogen atoms of two molecules are bonded through a sulfur bridge is formed⁸³.



The anion 152 generated from 2-phenyl-1,3-benzazaphosphole 74 ($R = H, R^1 = Ph$) and lithium diethylamide shows ambident reactivity: a hard electrophile like acyl chloride attacks the nitrogen atom, while a soft electrophile like methyl iodide alkylates the phosphorus atom⁸³. 1-Methyl-2-phenyl-1,3-benzazaphosphole 74 ($R = Me, R^1 = Ph$) is also alkylated at the phosphorus atom¹³⁶.





Where there is a σ^2 -nitrogen available in a heterophosphole ring, alkylation occurs exclusively at this nitrogen atom. Thus 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a]pyridines 27 and 60 (R² = H) react with dimethyl sulphate to give the N-methylated salts 153^{42,65}. 1,2,3diazaphospholo[1,5-a]pyridines 25³⁹, thiazolo[3,2-d][1,4,2]diazaphospholes 31⁴³ and the 5,6dihydrothiazolo[3,2-e][1,2,4]diazaphosphole 65⁶⁵ behave likewise.



4,6-Bis(diethylamino)-1,3,5-triaza-2-phosphapentalene 10 ($\mathbb{R}^{1}-\mathbb{R}^{4} = \mathbb{E}t$) is methylated by methyl iodide or dimethyl sulphate at the nitrogen atom of the diazaphosphole ring²⁶.



In contrast to 1-phosphaindolizines⁷³, 2-phosphaindolizines cannot be alkylated⁷. It has been reported that 2-*tert*-butyl-1,3-benzoxaphosphole on reacting with triethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate forms a mixture of products¹²⁰.

As mentioned earlier, 1,3,2-benzodiazaphospholes and 1,3,2-benzoxazaphospholes (Section 2.1) form N-bonded complexes with Lewis acids^{17-19,21}.

6.5 C-Metallation

Indole undergoes metallation at the nitrogen atom, while lithiation of N-methylindole occurs at the 2-carbon atom¹³⁷. Likewise, 1-methyl-1,3-benzazaphosphole **74** (R = Me, R¹ = H) reacts with *tert*-butyl lithium to give besides a small quantity of the 1,2-addition product mainly the 2-lithio derivative **154**, which makes possible the synthesis of a number of 2-functional 1,3-benzazaphospholes^{87,136}. No reaction occurs with phenyl lithium⁸⁷.



2-tert-Butyl-1,3-benzoxaphosphole 82 (R = tBu, $R^1 = H$) and tBuLi quantitatively form the 1,2-addition product which is solvolyzed by H₂O or MeOH¹²⁰. 1-Ethyl-2-tert-butyl-1,3benzodiphosphole 77 ($R^1 = Et$, $R^2 = tBu$) and butyl lithium react similarly⁸¹.



6.6 Electrophilic C-Substitution

Here it is interesting to compare the reactivity of anellated heterophospholes with that of non-phosphorus analogues. The reactivity of the 1- and 3-positions in indolizine is such that in syntheses using acetic anhydride it is often impossible to prevent acetylation¹⁰. In contrast, 1-unsubstituted 2-phosphaindolizines fail to react with MeCOCl, PhCOCl, Me₃SiCl even on prolonged heating in the presence of triethyl amine¹²⁸. The reduced reactivity of 2-phosphaindolizines as compared to indolizines can be attributed to a decrease in π electron charge at the 1-position on introducing a two-coordinate phosphorus in place of 2-CH, as suggested by MNDO calculations (Section 3.7)⁷. However, 2-phosphaindolizine is still reactive towards stronger electrophiles like Br₂ and PCl₃. In contrast to indolizine which undergoes bromination to yield a mixture of several products¹³⁸, 2-phosphaindolizines **36** (R¹ = H) react with bromine to give the 1-bromo derivatives **155**, though in poor yield. Better yields could be obtained by using bromine in the presence of NEt₃ or by using *N*bromosuccinimide^{125,126}.



This behaviour of 2-phosphaindolizines parallels that of 1,2,3-diazaphospholes, which give 4-bromo-substituted derivatives through an addition-elimination mechanism¹³⁹. Heterophospholes and phosphinines with no replaceble α -hydrogen undergo a 1,1-addition of bromine to phosphorus^{5,140}.

1-Unsubstituted 2-phosphaindolizines **36** ($\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{H}$) and the 7-aza-2-phosphaindolizine **40** can be phosphinylated by reacting with a chlorophosphine (\mathbb{PCl}_3 , \mathbb{PhPCl}_2 and in the case of **36** ($\mathbb{R}^1 = \mathbb{H}$) also 4-(2,5-dimethyl-1,2,3-diphospholyl) \mathbb{PCl}_2) in the presence of \mathbb{NEt}_3^{125} . Indolizines show a similar behaviour¹⁴¹.





The 1-dichlorophosphino-2-phosphaindolizines 156, R = Cl, tend to disproportionate in PCl₃ and the bis(2-phosphaindolizinyl)chlorophosphines 157¹²⁵. Methanolysis of 156 $(R = Cl, R^2 = COPh, R^3/R^4 = H/Me, Bu/H)$ yields a 1-dimethoxyphosphino derivative $(R^3/R^4 = H/Me, Bu/H)$, which undergoes MeI-catalyzed Arbuzov rearrangement and which is oxidized by sulfur at the exocyclic phosphorus atom¹²⁵. All these reactions do not affect the dicoordinate phosphorus.



In analogy to 1-azaindolizine¹⁴², 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-*a*]pyridine **60** ($\mathbb{R}^2,\mathbb{R}^4,\mathbb{R}^5 = \mathbb{H}$) undergoes substitution reactions with chlorophosphines in 3-position and yields with PCl₃ the tris(diazaphospholyl)phosphine **158**.



The latter enters a substituent exchange with PCl₃ and an equilibrium is set up between the three products 158, 159, 160 and PCl₃⁶⁵. This equilibrium, which involves the cleavage of P-C bonds, is mobile at room temperature⁶⁵, while the substituent exchange between triphenylphosphine and PCl₃ requires temperatures of 200°C and more¹⁴³. The mobility is attributed to the addition/elimination mechanism operating in this case⁶⁵.

158 is oxidized by air oxygen, sulfur or grey selenium at the three-coordinate phosphorus atom⁶⁵.

1-(Dichlorophosphino)-5,6-dihydro-1,3-azaphospholo[5,1-b]thiazole **29**, $R = PCl_2$, is obtained directly from the reaction of the corresponding thiazolium salt with two equivalents PCl_3 in the presence of NEt₃ (Section 2.1)⁵⁰.

The reaction of 1,4,2-diazaphospholo[4,5-a]pyridine 60 ($\mathbb{R}^2,\mathbb{R}^4,\mathbb{R}^5=H$) and 3-phenacyl-6-butyl-2-phosphaindolizine 36 ($R^1, R^4 = H, R^2 = COPh, R^3 = Bu$) with selenophosphonic acid anhydrides $(RPSe_2)_2$ $(R = Ph, 4-MeOC_6H_4, 4-Me_2NC_6H_4)$ in the presence of NEt₃ leads to the triethylammonium selenophosphinates 161 and 162, respectively. In the absence of NEt₂, however, the seleno anhydride 163 is obtained as a mixture of two diastereomers along with the zwitterionic selenophosphinate 164^{123} .



6.7 Coordination to Transition Metals

2-Phenyl-1,3-benzazaphosphole 74 (R = H, R¹ = Ph) and 2-phenacyl-7-methyl-2-phosphaindolizine 36 (R¹,R³ = H, R² = COPh, R⁴ = Me) form *P*-coordinated Cr(CO)₅-complexes 165⁶³ and 166⁷. Complex formation is accompanied by a downfield shift of the ³¹P-NMR signal by $\Delta \delta = 4.4$ and 7.5, respectively.



1-Ethyl- as well as 1-lithio-2-*tert*-butyl-1,3-benzodiphosphole form η^1 -complexes 167 (R = Et, Li) with W(CO)₅ in which the metal is bonded to the three-coordinate phosphorus atom^{81,82}. Towards Mo(CO)₃ the benzodiphospholyl anion acts as an η^5 -ligand^{81,82}.



The phosphindolyl anion 57 shows ligand properties similar to that of the pyrrolyl anion. It reacts with bromomanganese pentacarbonyl to form a mixture of the two complexes 168 and 169⁶².



The η^5 -phosphindolyl-manganese tricarbonyl complex 170 could be obtained directly from the reaction of 1-phenylphosphindole with dimanganese decacarbonyl⁶².



7. List of Anellated Heterophospholes and σ^2 -Phospholes

The known anellated σ^2 -heterophospholes and σ^2 -phospholes are listed below, together with the method of synthesis and relevant physical data. (Coupling constants J in Hz, melting and boiling points in °C, the subscript at the latter indicates the pressure in mbar.)

| | | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P (J_{PP}) | other data |
|----------------|---|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---|
| | Me s N s N N | | 2.1 ¹⁵ | 84-85 ¹⁵ | 291.5 ¹⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁵ |
| | $R^3 \rightarrow R^2$ $N \rightarrow R^1$ $N \rightarrow N$ | | | | | |
| \mathbb{R}^1 | \mathbf{R}^2 | \mathbb{R}^3 | | | | |
| H | Н | н | 2.1 ¹⁴ | 132-133 ¹⁴ | 268.1 ¹⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR, MNDO ¹⁴ |
| Mе | Н | Н | 2.1^{14} | 126-127 ¹⁴ | 265.0 ¹⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴ |
| H | Me | Н | 2.1^{14} | 134-136 ¹⁴ | 269.7 ¹⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴ |
| H | H | Me | 2.114 | 180-182 ¹⁴ | 267.0 ¹⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴ |
| CN | Me | н | 2.1^{15} | | 271.3 ¹⁵ | |
| CN | \mathbf{Ph} | н | 2.1^{15} | 215-216 ¹⁵ | 273.5^{15} | ¹ H-NMR ¹⁵ |

| | | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| F | 2 ¹ N | R ³ | | | | |
| | \mathbb{N} | - N, | | | | |
| F | | H* | | | | |
| | ""P | | | | | |
| \mathbb{R}^1 | \mathbb{R}^2 | \mathbb{R}^3 \mathbb{R}^4 | | | | |
| Me | Ме | Me Me | 2.1 ^{25,26} | 249-250 ^{25,26} | 300 ^{25,26} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ^{25,26} IR ^{25,26} , X-Ray ²⁶ MNDO ²⁶ |
| Me | Me | Et Et | 2.1^{26} | | 300.8 ²⁶ | |
| Me | Me | -(CH ₂) ₅ - | 2.1^{26} | | 299.6 ²⁶ | |
| Et | \mathbf{Et} | Et Et | 2.1 ^{25,26} | 82-83 ^{25,26} | 301.0 ^{25,26} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ^{25,26} UV ^{25,26} |
| -(CH | 2)5- | -(CH ₂) ₅ - | 2.1^{26} | dark red oil ²⁶ | 298.9 ²⁶ | ¹³ C-NMR ²⁶ |
| Me | CH_2Ph | Me CH ₂ Ph | 2.1^{26} | 183-185 ²⁶ | 300.8 ²⁶ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ²⁶ |
| | | | | | 300.5 ²⁶ | ¹ H-NMR ²⁶ |
| | | | | | 3 00.2 ²⁶ | ¹ H-NMR ²⁶ |
| | N | + | | | | |
| Et ₂ N | י-{``)=י | NEt ₂ X | | | | |
| |)=(| I | 6.4^{26} | 153-155 ²⁶ | 279.7 ²⁶ | ¹ H-NMR ²⁶ |
| | N. N-1 | Me MeSO ₄ | 6.4 ²⁶ | 86-88 ²⁶ | 277.5^{26} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ²⁶ |
| | · x | - | | | | |
| | | R | | | | |
| | | н н | 2 1 ¹⁹ | | 93818,19 | |
| | _ | Et | 2.119 | | 23218,19 | |
| ŀ | | Pr | $2.1^{17,19}$ | | 236 ^{17,19} | |
| ``` |)=(| *Pr | 2.1 ^{17,19} | | $228^{17,19}, 232^{18}$ | |
| R-N | í、_,Ň | sBu | $2.1^{17,19}$ | | 225.8 ^{17,19} | |
| | r | $(CH_2)_2 CHMe_2$ | 2.1^{19} | | 232 ¹⁹ | |
| | | CH ₂ Ph | $2.1^{17,19}$ | | 228 ^{17,19} | |
| | | Ph | 2.1^{20} | | 229 ²⁰ | |
| | | R | | | | |
| | | Н | 6.4 ¹⁹ | | 222 ¹⁹ | |
| | | Pr | 6.4 ^{17,19} | 147 ¹⁸ , 145 ¹⁹ | 226 ^{18,19} , 214.7 ¹⁷ | |
| (* | $\langle \rangle$ | P r | 6.4 ^{17,19} | 132 ^{18,19} | 225.6 ^{18,19} , 214.2 ¹⁷ | |
| |)=(| sBu | $6.4^{18,19}$ | 104 ^{18,19} | 226.7 ^{18,19} , 214.1 ¹⁷ | |
| R~N | N-+BF3 | $(CH_2)_2CHMe_2$ | 6.4 ¹⁹ | | 226 ¹⁹ | |
| | | CH ₂ Ph | 6.4 ^{17,19} | 122 ^{18,19} | $224.8^{18,19}, 225^{21}$ $211.7^{17}, 212^{21}$ | |
| | | Ph | 6.4 ^{17,19} | | 205.917-19 | |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|---|--------------------------------|--|-----------------|--|--|
| R F ₃ B ^{-N} p ^{-N} | R Pr #Pr #Bu CH2Ph | 6.4 ¹⁷ 6.4 ¹⁷ 6.4 ¹⁷ 6.4 ¹⁷ | | 226 ¹⁷ 225.6 ¹⁷ 226.7 ¹⁷ 224.8 ¹⁷ , 225 ²¹ | |
| Ph - N | ICI ₃ | 6.4 ²⁰ | | 200.9 ²⁰ | ¹⁵ N-, ²⁷ Al-NMR ²⁰ |
| Me - N _p N-M | le 4 | 2.1 ²³ | | 212 ³¹ | X-Ray ²³ |
| Ph - P _P P - Pi | n)a⁺ | 2.1 ²⁹ | | -174.0 ^A , 31.4 ^B (368.5) ²⁹ | X-Ray ²⁹ |
| С. _р . NА | Сŀз | 6.4 ¹⁸ | | 262 ¹⁸ | |
| S. pr. N-BI | | 6.4 ¹⁸ 19 | 1 ¹⁸ | 160 ¹⁸ | |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|--------------------------|---|--|---|---|--|
| S _P N-H x- | X AlCl₄ AlCl₃Br | 2.1 ³¹ 2.1 ³⁰ 2.1 ³¹ | 123-125 ³¹ | 306 ³¹ 317 ^{108,30} 300 ³¹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³¹ ²⁷ Al-NMR, IR ³¹ MS, X-Ray ³¹ STO-3G ³¹ MCD, PPP ¹⁴⁴ ²⁷ Al-NMR ³¹ |
| | R X H AlCl4 | 2.1 ^{32,33} | 80(dec.) ^{32,33} | 408 ³³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³³ IR, MS ³³ X-Ray ³¹⁻³³ MCD, PPP ¹⁴⁴ |
| 'Ρ' X' | Me AlCl4 Me AlClBr3 Me MoCle | 2.1 ³³ 2.1 ³³ 2.1 ³³ | 106-108(dec.) ³³ 75-78(dec.) ³³ | 414 ³³ 406 ³³ | STO-3G ³¹ . ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³³ IR, MS ³³ MCD, PPP ¹⁴⁴ ¹ H-NMR, IR ³³ MS ³³ IR ³³ |
| Se Se X | | | | 495 ³¹ | |
| | R ¹ R ² HHH MeH P ^B Cl ₂ H | 2.1 ³⁹ 2.1 ³⁹ 2.1 ³⁹ 2.1 ³⁹ | ^{syrupy³⁹ 74-76³⁹ 80-83³⁹ 114-116³⁹} | 236.3 ³⁹ 237.6 ³⁹ 239.5 ³⁹ 249.2, 157.0 ^{B 39} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁹ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁹ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁹ MS ³⁹ |

| | | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{ m PP})$ | other data |
|---|---------------------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| H R^2 R^1 | R ¹ H | R² H | 2.1 ^{27,28} | 72-75 ²⁷ | 246 ^A , 354 ^B (493) ²⁷ | ¹³ C-NMR, MS ²⁷ |
| Å | Me | н | 2.1 ²⁸ | | 248 ⁻² , 352 ²⁵ (496) ²⁸ 246 ^A , 358 ^B (494) ²⁸ | PE, MNDO |
| | Cl | H | 2.1 ²⁸ | | 245 ^A , 350 ^B (494) ²⁸ | |
| | H | Me | 2.128 | | 248 ^A , 382 ^B (496) ²⁸ | |
| | Н | Cl | 2.128 | | 247 ^A , 349 ^B (494) ²⁸ | |
| | l. | | 2.1 ²⁸ | | 315 ²⁸ | MS ²⁸ |
| | 9 ₂ Et | | 2.1 ⁴³ | 104-106 ⁴³ | 252.6 ⁴³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴³ |
| S - N Me - N - N - N MeSO4 | 2 E t | | 6.4 ⁴³ | | 252.6 ⁴³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴³ |
| S N N P | | | 2.2 ³⁰ | | 192.3 ³⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |

| | ····· | | | | Synthesis | s m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|-----------------------|--|---|
| | | R ³ | | | | | | |
| | ſ | | | | | | | |
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| |)N | | • | | | | | |
| | N' |)₽¹ | | | | | | |
| R1 | · | ર ² | | R ³ | | | | |
| н | F | ł | 1 | H | 2.2^{72} | | 223.472 | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷² |
| H | F | I | (| OMe | 2.2^{72} | | 219.4 ⁷² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷² |
| н | ľ | Лe |] | H | 2.2^{72} | 116-117 ⁷² | 220.4 ⁷² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷² |
| CO ₂ Me | F | I |] | H | 2.1^{43} | 153-155 ⁴³ | 258.6 ⁴³ | ¹ H-NMR ⁴³ |
| CO ₂ Et | I | I |] | H | 2.1 ⁴³ | 112-113 ⁴³ | 259.1 ⁴³ | ¹ H-NMR ⁴³ |
| COPh | F | I | | H | 2.1 ⁴³ | | 268.7 ⁴³ | |
| $\rm CO_2Et$ | H | ł | 0 | OMe | 2.1^{43} | 118-121 ⁴³ | 255.043 | ¹ H-NMR ⁴³ |
| COPh | H | ł | (| ОМе | 2.143 | | 264.9 ⁴³ | |
| | 6 | | | R. | | | | |
| в_// | \prec | >= [№] | | H | 2.2^{72} | | 184.8 ⁷² | ¹ H ¹³ C-NMR ⁷² |
| | | N _/ | | OMe | 2.2^{72} | | 184.6 ⁷² | 1 H-, 13 C-NMR ⁷² |
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| | _ 4 | 3 | | | | | | |
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| R ⁵ — | // × | } R² | | | | | | |
| | \mathcal{F}^{N} | | | | | | | |
| | N P | ⊶-R' | | | | | | |
| \mathbb{R}^1 | \mathbb{R}^2 | \mathbb{R}^3 | R ⁴ | \mathbb{R}^5 | | | | |
| H | H | н | H | н | $2.2^{65,70}$ | 44-46 ⁷⁰ | 195.0 ^{65,70} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷⁰ ¹⁵ N-NMR ^{70,145} |
| н | Н | н | Me | H | 2.2^{30} | | 195.1 ³⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |
| н | н | Me | н | H | 2.2^{30} | | 194.3 ³⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |
| н | H | н | Н | Me | 2.2^{30} | | 1 94 .8 ³⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |
| $\rm CO_2Et$ | н | н | н | H | 2.1 ⁴² | 78-79 ⁴² | 234.7 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² ¹⁵ N-NMR ⁴² |
| CO ₂ Et | H | Me | Н | H | 2.1^{42} | 76-78 ⁴² | 237.5 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² |
| $\rm CO_2Et$ | н | H | Me | H | 2.1 ⁴² | 91-93 ⁴² | 233.7 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² |
| CO ₂ Et | Me | H | H | н | 2.1^{42} | 76-77 ⁴² | 234.8 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² |
| P ^B Ph ₂ | Н | н | H | H | 6.6 ³⁰ | | 227.3, -37.8 ^B (2) ³⁰ | |
| P ^B Ph ₂ | H | Me | H | H | 6.6 ³⁰ | | 228.1, -37.9 ^B (5) ³⁰ | |

| | | | | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|--|--|-------------------|----------------|----------------|--|----------------|--|--|
| H R ⁴ Me X | | २ 1 | | | | | | |
| x | R1 | \mathbb{R}^2 | R ³ | R ⁴ | | | | |
| MeSO₄ | н | н | н | Me | 6.4 ⁶⁵ | | 186.7 ⁶⁵ | |
| C1 | н | н | н | $2-C_5H_4N$ | 2.2 ³⁰ | | 178.2 ³⁰ | |
| MeSO ₄ | $\rm CO_2Et$ | н | н | Me | 6.4 ⁴² | | 214.5 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² |
| MeSO₄ | $\rm CO_2Et$ | Me | н | Me | 6.4^{42} | | 212.9 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² |
| MeSO ₄ | $\rm CO_2Et$ | H | Me | Me | 6.4 ⁴² | | 218.4 ⁴² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁴² |
| | | CH₂CI | | | 6.6 ³⁰ 6.6 ³⁰ | | 232.4 ^A , -54.2 ^B (2) ³⁰ 237.8 ^A , 16.1 ^B (24.9) ³⁰ | |
| ſ. | | | | n 1 | e e65 | | 040 CA 100 1B | |
| | » | | | 1 | 0.000 | | $(166.1)^{65}$ | |
| | -N -N -N -N -N -N -N -N -N -N |) _{3-n} | | 2 | 6.6 ⁶⁵ | | (10012) 237.5 ^A , 24.3 ^B $(69.7)^{65}$ | |
| L , | A Ju | | | 3 | 6.6 ⁶⁵ | | 235.2 ^A , -74.1 ^B (5.4) ⁶⁵ | |
| | | | | v | | | | |
| [(| \mathbb{R}^{2} | | | 0 | 6.6 ⁶⁵ | | $242.8^{A}, -2.0^{B}$ $(44.9)^{65}$ | |
| N. | | x | | S | 6.6 ⁶⁵ | | $(40.5^{A}, -3.4^{B})$ $(40.3)^{65}$ | |
| L | A _]3 | | | Se | 6.6 ⁶⁵ | | $239.7^{\text{A}}, -26.4^{\text{B}}$ $(36.7)^{65}$ | |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|------------------------|----------------------|--|--|---|--|
| N PBRSe2 A HNEt3+ | R Ph 4-MeOC6H4 | 6.6 ¹⁴⁶ 6.6 ¹⁴⁶ | 165-167(dec.) ¹⁴⁶ 168-170(dec.) ¹⁴⁶ | 228.9 ^A , -9.3 ^B (35.0) ¹⁴⁶ 225.1 ^A , -10.6 ^B (32.0) ¹³³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴⁶ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴⁶ |
| | R H Me | 2.2 ³⁰ 2.2 ⁶⁵ | | 197.0 ³⁰ 197.2 ⁶⁵ | ¹ H-NMR ³⁰ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |
| Me N N N P | | 2.2 ³⁰ | | 200.2 ³⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |
| N P | | 2.2 ³⁰ | | 187.3 ³⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ³⁰ |
| H-N _P R | R Me tBu | 4.2 ¹⁰⁵ 4.2 ¹⁰⁴ | oil ¹⁰⁵ 86 ¹⁰⁴ | 194.4 ¹⁰⁵ 210.3 ¹⁰⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁰⁵ MS ¹⁰⁵ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁰⁴ IR ¹⁰⁴ |
| H-N _p /Bu | | 4.2 ¹⁰⁴ | 135 ¹⁰⁴ | 180.1 ¹⁰⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁰⁴ IR ¹⁰⁴ |

| | | | Synthesi | s m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{ m PP})$ | other data |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| | \mathbb{R}^1 | \mathbb{R}^2 | | | | |
| | H | н | 2.1 ⁵³ | | $\begin{array}{c} 229.4^{\rm A},\ 317.1^{\rm B} \\ 14.9^{\rm C},\ (480.2^{\rm AB} \\ 6.1^{\rm AC},\ 87.5^{\rm BC})^{53} \end{array}$ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵³ |
| Ph ₃ P _C PA | Н | Ме | 2.1 ⁵³ | | $218.8^{A}, 309.2^{B}$ $14.4^{C}, (477.6^{AB})$ $4.5^{AC}, 87.0^{BC})^{53}$ | |
| | Me | н | 2.1 ⁵³ | | $\begin{array}{c} 229.1^{\rm A},\ 314.7^{\rm B}\\ 14.0^{\rm C},\ (476.1^{\rm AB}\\ 6.1^{\rm AC},\ 87.0^{\rm BC})^{53} \end{array}$ | |
| | R | | | | | |
| | Me | | 3.1 ⁷³ | 30-31 ⁷³ | 63.0 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| | : Pr | | 3.1 ⁷³ | yellow oil ⁷³ | 57.4 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| N-N | <i>t</i> Bu | | 3.1 ⁷³ | yellow oil ⁷³ | 54.6 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| n — p | Ph | | 3.1 ⁷³ | 96-97 ⁷³ | 57.5 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| | occ | ОMe | 3.1^{74} | 117-119 ⁷⁴ | 22.1^{74} | IR, MS ⁷⁴ |
| | occ |)Ph | 3 .1 ⁷⁴ | 115-117 ⁷⁴ | 22.3 ⁷⁴ | ¹³ C-NMR, IR ⁷⁴ MS ⁷⁴ |
| | ОН | | 3.1^{74} | 219-220 ⁷⁴ | | IR, MS ⁷⁴ |
| | OSiN | Лез | 3.1 ⁷⁴ | 34-36 ⁷⁴ | 13.6 ⁷⁴ | ¹³ C-NMR, MS ⁷⁴ |
| | J | | 4.1 ⁹⁶ | 118 ⁹⁶ | 83.9 ⁹⁶ | ¹ H-NMR, IR ⁹⁶ |
| N-N tBu Lp | | | 4.1 ^{95,96} | 167 ^{95,96} | 98.2 ^{95,96} | ¹ H-NMR ⁹⁶ ¹³ C-NMR ^{95,96} IR ⁹⁶ |

| - <u> </u> | <u> </u> | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P (J_{PP}) | other data |
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| R - P - Me | R CO₂Et COPh CN | 2.1^{50} 2.1^{50} 2.1^{50} | 99-100 ⁵⁰ 146-147 ⁵⁰ 106-108 ⁸⁰ | 184.8 ⁵⁰ 202.6 ⁵⁰ 191.6 ⁵⁰ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁰ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁰ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁰ |



| R ¹ | \mathbb{R}^2 | R ³ | \mathbb{R}^4 | | | | |
|----------------|--------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Н | COPh | H | H | 2.17 | 114-119 ⁷ | 179.8 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Н | CO ₂ Et | H | H | 2.17 | orange oil ⁷ | 162.0 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| H | $4-NO_2C_6H_4$ | H | н | 2.1 ⁷ | | 1 32 .2 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| H | COPh | H | Me | 2.17 | 117-1187 | 184.4 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| P-Cr(C | CO) ₅ complex | x | | 6.7 ⁷ | | 191.9 ⁷ | IR ⁷ |
| H | $\rm CO_2Et$ | H | Me | 2.1^{7} | 34 ⁷ | 163.3 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| H | COPh | Bu | н | 2.1^{7} | 51-52 ⁷ | 180.0 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| н | CN | H | Me | 2.1 ⁴⁸ | 136-137 ⁴⁸ | 165.8 ⁴⁸ | ¹ H-NMR ⁴⁸ |
| Н | CO_2Et | Bu | Н | 2.1 ⁴⁸ | oil ⁴⁸ | 160.7 ⁴⁸ | ¹ H-NMR ⁴⁸ |
| Me | COPh | H | Н | 2.1^{7} | 124-125 ⁷ | 183.6 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Me | CO ₂ Et | H | H | 2.1^{7} | 71-7 3 ⁷ | 165.5^{7} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Me | $4-NO_2C_6H_4$ | H | H · | 2.17 | 188-189 ⁷ | 136.0 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Me | CN | H | н | 2.1 ⁷ | 151-152 ⁷ | 165.2 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Ph | COPh | H | н | 2.1 ⁷ | 135-136 ⁷ | 178.5 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Ph | $\rm CO_2Et$ | H | н | 2.17 | 73-75 ⁷ | 160.0 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Ph | $4-NO_2C_6H_4$ | H | н | 2.1 ⁷ | 171-178 ⁷ | 130.67 | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Ph | CN | H | н | 2.1 ⁷ | 158-159 ⁷ | 160.5 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| Ph | Ph | H | н | 2.1 ⁴⁸ | 120-12148 | 120.9 ⁴⁸ | ¹ H-NMR ⁴⁸ |
| $4-ClC_6H_4$ | $4-NO_2C_6H_4$ | H | н | 2.1 ⁴⁸ | 210-212 ⁴⁸ | 128.8 ⁴⁸ | ¹ H-NMR ⁴⁸ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CO ₂ Me | H | н | 4.1 ⁹⁹ | 132 | 162.7 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| | | | | | $(150-160_{0.05})^{99}$ | | X-Ray ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | $\rm CO_2Et$ | H | H | 4.1 ⁹ | 148 | 162.4 ⁹ | ¹³ C-NMR ⁹ |
| | | | | | $(160-170_{0.05})^{99}$ | | ¹ H-NMR, MS ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | H | H | 4.1 ⁹ | | 161.0 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| tBu | CN | H | Me | 4.1 ⁹ | | 162.0 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| tBu | CN | H | <i>t</i> Bu | 4.1 ⁹ | | 162.1 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |

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| tBu | CN | н | O:Pr | 4.1 ⁹ | | 162.7 ⁹⁹ | |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | H | CO ₂ Me | 4.1 ⁹ | | 165.1 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | H | CN | 4.1 ⁹ | | 169.2 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | H | COPh | 4.1 ⁹ | | 164.9 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| Br | COPh | H | н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | 137-140(dec.) ¹²⁵ | 176.8 ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| Br | COPh | H | Me | 6.6^{125} | 152-154125 | 177.9 ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| Br | COPh | Bu | н | 6.6^{125} | 79-81 ¹²⁵ | 175.0 ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| Br | CO ₂ Et | H | Me | 6.6^{125} | 76-77 ¹²⁵ | 161.0 ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| Br | $\rm CO_2Et$ | Bu | H | 6.6^{125} | syrupy ¹²⁵ | 157.1 ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| Br | CN | H | Me | 6.6^{125} | 137-138 ¹²⁵ | 160.5 ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| P ^B Cl ₂ | СОРЬ | H | Н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | 115(dec.) ¹²⁵ | 197.2, 158.8 ^B (169.2) ¹²⁵ 197.1, 159.5 ^B (165.0) ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| P ^B Cl ₂ | COPh | H | Ме | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | 119-121 ¹²⁵ | 200.7, 155.0 ^B (180.4) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B Cl ² | COPh | Bu | н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 195.6, 159.1 ^B (173.9) ¹²⁵ | |
| $P^{B}Cl_{2}$ | CO ₂ Et | H | н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 180.4, 161.2 ^B (159.8) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B Cl ₂ | CO ₂ Et | H | Ме | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | $180.3, 162.1^{B}$ $(158.7)^{125}$ | |
| P ^B Cl ₂ | $4-NO_2C_6H_4$ | H | H | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 142.4, 164.3 ^B (130.0) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B (Ph)Cl | COPh | H | н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 199.7, 74.6 ^B (57.0) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B (Ph)Cl | COPh | Bu | Н | 6.6^{125} | | 198.8, 74.8 ^B (60.9) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B (OMe) ₂ | COPh | H | Me | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | $200.7, 158.2^{B}$ $(34.2)^{125}$ | |
| P ^B (OMe) ₂ | COPh | Bu | н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 197.5, 159.2 ^A (33.5) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B S(OMe) ₂ | COPh | H | Ме | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 206.4, 85.3 ^B (87.9) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B O(OMe) ₂ | Me COPh | Bu | н | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 203.9, 24.0 ^B (79.3) ¹²⁵ | |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
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| PhCO PA CI P | N N-Me | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | oil ¹²⁵ | 201.5 ^A , 59.6 ^B 247.2 ^C , (50.3 ^{AB} 15.2 ^{AC} , 8.2 ^{BC}) ¹²⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹²⁵ |
| $\begin{bmatrix} R^2 \\ N \end{bmatrix} = 0$ | t ¹ R ² COPh H COPh Bu | 6.6 ¹²⁵ 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | $199.2^{A}, 68.0^{B} (47.3)^{125} 198.3^{A}, 69.4^{B} (46.1)^{125} 197.9^{A}, 69.2^{B} $ | |
| | CO2Et H | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | (51.3) ¹²⁵ 181.8 ^A , 69.7 ^B (42.3) ¹²⁵ | |
| Bu N PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO | : N , N - Me C | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 202.3^{A} , -61.4 ^B 247.2 ^C , (10.4 ^{AB} 15.2 ^{AC} , 8.2 ^{BC}) ¹²⁵ | |
| PhCO $P_{B}^{P} RSe_{2}^{-}$ | R Ph 4-MeOC6H4 4-Me2NC6H4 | 6.6 ^{123,146} 6.6 ¹⁴⁶ 6.6 ¹⁴⁶ | 78-95(dec.) ¹⁴⁶ 93-96 ¹⁴⁶ 123-126 ¹⁴⁶ | $\begin{array}{c} 201.9^{A}, -0.4^{B} \\ (82.4)^{146} \\ 201.0^{A}, -1.4^{B} \\ (82.4)^{146} \\ 200.6^{A}, -1.2^{B} \\ (80.9)^{146} \end{array}$ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴⁶ ⁷⁷ Se-NMR ¹⁴⁶ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴⁶ ⁷⁷ Se-NMR ¹⁴⁶ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁴⁶ ⁷⁷ Se-NMR ¹⁴⁶ |
| Bu N Se PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO PhCO | Se 2 | 6.6 ¹²³ | | $204.6^{A}, 25.7^{B}$ $(N = 68.0)^{146}$ $200.2^{A}, 26.2^{B}$ $(N = 74.0)^{146}$ | |

| | | | Synthes | is m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{ m PP})$ | other data |
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| PhCO- | | | 2.17 | 116-118 ⁷ | 174.0 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| R ³ | | | | | | |
| \mathbb{R}^1 | \mathbf{R}^2 | \mathbb{R}^3 | | | | |
| Me | H | н | 3.1 ⁷³ | 69-71 ⁷³ | 76.2 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| tBu | H | Н | 3.1 ⁷³ | yellow oil ⁷³ | 69.5 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| Ph | н | Н | 3.1^{73} | 146-147 ⁷³ | 68.7 ⁷³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷³ MS ⁷³ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | н | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 75.1 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | Me | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 69.0 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | <i>t</i> Bu | $4.1^{9,99}$ | | 72.0 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | CO ₂ Me | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 92.5 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| tBu | CN | COPh | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 93.3 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| tBu | CN | \mathbf{CN} | 4.1 ⁹⁹ | | 95.7 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |

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| R ¹ | \mathbb{R}^2 | R ³ | | | | |
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| н | COPh | Me | 2.1 ⁷ | 120-130 ⁷ | 181.5 ⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | CN | н | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 163.8 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| P ^B Cl ₂ | COPh | Me | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 197.8, $152.0^{\rm B}$ (152.0) ¹²⁵ | |
| P ^B (Ph)Cl | COPh | Me | 6.6 ¹²⁵ | | 200.0, 67.3 ^B (56.8) ¹²⁵ | |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
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| | | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 91.7 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| | | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 148.7 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| | | 4.1 ^{9,99} | | 76.8 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| | R CO2Me CO2Et | 4.1 ⁹⁹ 4.1 ⁹⁹ | 158 (170-180 _{0.005}) ⁹⁹ | 163.5 ⁹⁹ 162.0 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ |
| | R tBu CMe2Et | 4.1 ^{9,99} 4.1 ^{9,99} | 195(dec.) ⁹⁹ 189(dec.) ⁹⁹ | 76.7 ⁹⁹ 88.1 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ MS ⁹⁹ |
| | | 4.1 ^{9,99} | 228(dec.) ⁹⁹ (200 _{0.05}) ⁹⁹ | 73.0 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ MS ⁹⁹ , X-Ray ⁹ |
| R P rBu | R Me Ph | 4.1 ⁹⁹ 4.1 ⁹⁹ | 234.6(dec.) ⁹⁹ 184(dec.) ⁹⁹ | 108.2 ⁹⁹ 115.9 ⁹⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ MS ⁹⁹ ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹⁹ MS ⁹⁹ |

| | | Synthesi | s m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
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| | | 6.4 ⁸³ | orange red ⁸³ | | |
| I | | | | | |
| R | | | | | |
| Me | | 3.282 | | 153.4 ⁸² | |
| tBu | | 3.2 ⁸² | | 145.1 ⁸² | |
| 100 | P^{B} -W(CO) ₅ complex | 6.7 ⁸² | 124-125 ⁸² | 176.8, 18.7 ^B ⁸² | IR ⁸² |
| | n^{5} -Mo(CO) complex | 6.7 ⁸² | oil ⁸² | 19.1 ⁸² | $^{1}J_{\rm PW} = 186.9 \ {\rm Hz^{o2}}$ IR ⁸² |
| թհ | 1 Mo(00)3 complex | 3,282 | | 15182 | |
| 246 | -MeaCaHa | 3 282 | | 15282 | |
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| NPh | Li | 3 978,79 | | 83 578,79 | |
| I | | | | | |
| R1 | R ² | | | | |
| H | H | 3.2 ⁸⁶ | 102-103 ⁸⁶ | 77.2 ⁸⁶ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁶ UV, MS ⁸⁶ |
| н | Me | 3.2 ^{83,86} | 116-117 ^{83,86} | 69.8 ^{83,86} | ¹ H-NMR ^{83,86,105} |
| | | 4.2^{105} | | 71.4 ¹⁰⁵ | ¹³ C-NMR ^{83,86} IIV MS ^{83,86} |
| H | Ph | 3.2 ^{83,86} | 127-129 ^{83,86} | 72.1 ^{83,86} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ^{83,86} UV. MS ^{83,86} |
| | $P-Cr(CO)_5$ complex | 6.7 ⁸³ | 111 ⁸³ | 76.5 ⁸³ | IR ⁸³ |
| н | NHPh | 3.2 ⁸⁰ | 144-145 ⁸⁰ | 6.7 ⁸⁰ | UV ⁸⁰ |
| н | NMe ₂ | 3.2 ⁸³ | 89-91 ⁸³ | -4.6 ⁸³ | ¹ H-NMR ⁸³ |
| H | <i>t</i> Bu | 2.152 | 132-133 ⁵² | 65.7 ⁵² | ¹ H-NMR ^{52,104} ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁰⁴ |
| | | 4.2 ¹⁰⁴ | | 66.3 ¹⁰⁴ | |
| Me | H | 3.2 ⁸⁷ | (77-80 _{0.06}) ⁸⁷ | 72.6 ⁸⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁷ UV, MS ⁸⁷ , PE ¹⁰⁶ MNDO, CNDO/S ¹⁰⁶ |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
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| Ме | Ме | 3.2 ⁸⁷ | 78-80 (108-110 _{0.02}) ⁸⁷ | 69.3 ⁸⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁷ UV ⁸⁷ |
| Me | Ph | 3.2 ⁸⁷ | 100-105 (150-155 _{0.01}) ⁸⁷ | 76.0 ⁸⁷ | ¹³ C-NMR, UV ⁸⁷ |
| Me | tBu | 3.2 ⁸⁷ | 38-40 (110-115 _{0.01}) ⁸⁷ | | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁷ UV ⁸⁷ |
| Me | $\rm CO_2SiMe_3$ | 6.5 ⁸⁷ | 55-60 (100-106 _{0.01}) ⁸⁷ | 125.5 ⁸⁷ | ¹³ C-NMR, IR ⁸⁷ |
| Ме | SiMe ₃ | 6.5 ⁸⁷ | $(98-100_{0.01})^{87}$ | 120.5 ⁸⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁷ IR ⁸⁷ |
| Me | CO ₂ H | 6.5^{87} | 200 ⁸⁷ | 127.4 ⁸⁷ | IR, UV ⁸⁷ |
| Me | Li | 6.5 ⁸⁷ | | | ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁷ |
| Me | SMe | 6.5^{136} | 28-30 ¹³⁶ | 65.5 ¹³⁶ | ¹ H-NMR, UV ¹³⁶ |
| COMe | Ph | 6.4 ⁸³ | 145-150(dec.) ⁸³ | 72.7 ⁸³ | ¹ H-NMR, IR ⁸³ |
| P^BCl_2 | Н | 6.4 ⁸³ | dark red oil ⁸³ | 72.5, 160.3 ^{B 83} | |
| $S_{n/2}$ | Ph | 6.4 ⁸³ | >100 (dec.) ⁸³ | 73.6 ⁸³ | |
| ۲Bu – ۴ ۳ | | 4.2 ¹⁰⁴ | | 74.4 ¹⁰⁴ | ¹ H-NMR ¹⁰⁴ |
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| К' Н | R ⁴ fBu | 2 982 | | 263 1A 84 0B | |
| 11 | ωa | 0.2 | | $(23.3)^{82}$ | |
| Me | $\rm NMe_2$ | 3.2 ⁹⁰ | (135-137 _{0.003}) ⁹⁰ | 103.5 ^A , 2.4 ^B (26.9) ⁹⁰ | ¹³ C-NMR, MS ⁹⁰ |
| \mathbf{Et} | <i>t</i> Bu | 3.2 ⁸² | $(123_{0.001})^{82}$ | $270^{\text{A}}, 29.6^{\text{B}}$ | ¹³ C-NMR, UV ⁸² MS ⁸² |
| P ^E | ³ -sulfide | 3.2 ⁸² | | $(3.1)^{-2}$ 274.6 ^A , 65.6 ^B $(53.2)^{82}$ | W10 |
| PE | ³ -W(CO) ₅ complex | 6.7 ⁸² | 149-151 ⁸² | 292.7 ^A , 37.9 ^B (44.4) ⁸² | IR^{82} ${}^{1}J_{PW} = 186.9 \text{ Hz}^{82}$ |

| | | Synthesis | m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
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| | | | | | |
| Et | NMe ₂ | 3.2 ⁹⁰ | (138-140 _{0.003}) ⁹⁰ | 114.8 ^A , 19.9 ^B (24.4) ⁹⁰ | ¹³ C-NMR, MS ⁹⁰ |
| CO <i>t</i> Bu | <i>t</i> Bu | 3.2 ⁸² | $(113_{0.007})^{82}$ | 294 ^A , 37.8 ^B (17.1) ⁸² | IR ⁸² |
| SiMe ₃ | <i>t</i> Bu | 3.2 ⁸² | | $265^{A}, -1^{B}$ (24.6) ⁸² | |
| P ^C Ph ₂ | <i>t</i> Bu | 3.2 ⁸² | | 270 ^A , 33 ^B 8.9 ^C , (26.6 ^{AB} 9 ^{AC} , 350 ^{BC}) ⁸² | |
| <i>t</i> Bu | н | 3.2 ⁸² | | $288.7^{A}, 55.6^{B}$ $(14.7)^{82}$ | |
| <i>t</i> Bu | SiMe ₃ | 3.2 ⁸² | | 271 ^A , 31 ^B (9.8) ⁸² | |
| <i>t</i> Bu | $\mathbf{P}^{C}\mathbf{Ph}_{2}$ | 3.2 ⁸² | | 285.7 ^A , 81.8 ^B -15.6 ^{C 82} | |
| SiMe ₃ | $OSiMe_3$ | 3.2 ⁷⁸ | yellow oil 120 (dec.) ⁷⁸ | $177^{A}, -8^{B}$ (39) ⁷⁸ | |
| SiMe ₃ | NPhSiMe ₃ | 3.2 ⁷⁹ | oil ⁷⁹ | 178.1 ^A , -6.6 ^B (26.0) ⁷⁹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷⁹ |

| R | R ¹ | | | | |
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| Me | Н | 3.2 ⁸⁴ | $(41-42_{0.15})$ $(63_{3-4})^{84}$ | 85.3 ⁸⁴ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁸⁴ UV ⁸⁴ , PE ¹⁰⁶ MNDO, CNDO/S ¹⁰⁶ |
| Et | н | 3.2^{84} | $(73-76_{4-5})^{84}$ | 81.4 ⁸⁴ | ¹ H-NMR ⁸⁴ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | H | 3.2 ^{84,85} | $(53-55_{0.02})$ $(43-45_{0.01})^{84}$ | 76.4 ^{84,85} | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ^{84,85} UV, MS ⁸⁵ , PE ¹⁰⁶ MNDO, CNDO/S ¹⁰⁶ |
| <i>t</i> Bu | Me | 3.2 ⁸⁴ | $(57-59_{0.01})^{84}$ | 77.0 ⁸⁴ | ¹ H-NMR, UV ⁸⁴ |
| Ph | Н | 3.2 ⁸⁴ | 82-83 (124-126 _{0.09}) ⁸⁴ | 86.3 ⁸⁴ | ¹³ C-NMR, UV ⁸⁴ |
| $4-ClC_6H_4$ | Н | 3.2^{84} | 97-98 ⁸⁴ | 88.5 ⁸⁴ | UV ⁸⁴ |
| 4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ | Н | 3.2 ⁸⁴ | 100-101 ⁸⁴ | 78.1 ⁸⁴ | ¹ H-NMR, UV ⁸⁴ |

| | ······································ | Synthesis | ⁵ (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{ m PP})$ | other data |
|--|--|----------------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| | R | | | | |
| | н | 3.2 ⁹¹ | $(154 - 155_{0,1})^{91}$ | 79.9 ⁹¹ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁹¹ |
| | Me | 3.2 ⁹¹ | $(135_{0,1})^{91}$ | 70.6 ⁹¹ | ¹ H-NMR ⁹¹ |
| | Ph | 3.2 ⁹¹ | $(165-168_{0.4})^{91}$ | 56.3 ⁹¹ | |
| | м | | | | |
| | Ti | 4.1 ¹⁰³ | 107(dec.) ¹⁰³ | 170.4 ¹⁰³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁰³ MS ¹⁰³ |
| | Zr | 4.1 ¹⁰³ | 127(dec.) ¹⁰³ | 186.3 ¹⁰³ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ¹⁰³ MS ¹⁰³ |
| | _ | | | | |
| | R Me | 2.1 ⁵⁵ | >250(dec.) ⁵⁵ | $228.5^{A}, 11.7^{B}$ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁵ |
| | C_2H_3 | 2.1^{55} | | (92.7) ⁵⁵ 229.6 ^A , 18.2 ^B (84.0) ⁵⁵ | ¹ H-NMR, X-Ray ⁵⁵ |
| | $2-C_4H_3S$ | 2.1^{55} | $>250(dec.)^{55}$ | $241.7^{A}, 9.2^{B}$ (97.7) ⁵⁵ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁵ |
| | $2-C_5H_4N$ | 2.1^{55} | $>250(dec.)^{55}$ | $245.4^{A}, 9.2^{B}$ $(90.0)^{55}$ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁵ |
| | Ph | 2.1 ⁵⁴ | $302(dec.)^{54}$ | $241.8^{\rm A}, 16.8^{\rm B}$ $(91.4)^{54}$ | ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁴ X-Ray of |
| | | | | | $CpW(CO)_3$ -salt ⁵⁵ |
| P-AuCl complex, CF ₃ S | O ₃ ⁻ -salt | 6.7°° | >20035 | $186.7^{A}, 12.4^{B}$ $(65.2)^{55}$ | 'H-NMR, MS ⁵⁵ X-Ray ⁵⁵ |
| $\langle \rangle$ | | | | | |
| O ≕ OSiMe₃ | | 3.1 ^{75,76} | | 71.7 ⁷⁶ 76.6 ⁷⁵ | ¹ H-NMR ⁷⁵ , IR ^{75,76} UV ⁷⁵ |
| | | | | | |
| $0 = \int_{p}^{p} 0^{-}$ K(18-crown-6) ⁺ | | 3.177 | 159-161 ⁷⁷ | 43.4 ⁷⁷ | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁷⁷ IR, UV, X-Ray ⁷⁷ MINDO/3 ⁷⁷ Extd. Hückel ⁷⁷ |

| | | | Synthesi | s m.p. (b.p.) | δ^{31} P $(J_{\rm PP})$ | other data |
|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Ĺ | R^2 Li ⁺ | | | | | |
| R ¹ H P P Ph | R ² H ⁵ -Mn(CO) ₃ com P-Mn ₂ (CO) ₈ Br ⁺ P-Mn(CO) ₄ ⁺ din Bu | plex complex ner complex | $2.1^{62} \\ 6.7^{62} \\ 6.7^{62} \\ 6.7^{62} \\ 2.1^{147}$ | 45 ⁶² 146(dec.) ⁶² 250(dec.) ⁶² | 40 ⁶² -54.7 ⁶² -36 ⁶² | ¹ H-NMR ⁶² IR, MS ⁶² ¹ H-NMR ⁶² IR, MS ⁶² ¹ H-NMR ⁶² IR, MS ⁶² |
| \bigcirc | P Li⁺ | R H Me | 2.1 ⁶³ 2.1 ⁵⁵ | | | |
| | | | 2.1 ⁶⁴ | | | |
| MeO - | Ph Ph | | 2.1 ¹⁰² | 85-87 ¹⁰² | 177.9 ¹⁰² | ¹ H-NMR, UV ¹⁰² |
| | , Lp⊥R | R H CH2Ph | 2.1 ⁵⁷ 2.1 ⁵⁶ | 71.5 $(40_{0.1})^{57}$ $(120-125_{0.01})^{56}$ | 174.8 ⁵⁷ 168.3 ¹⁰² | ¹ H-, ¹³ C-NMR ⁵⁷ UV, MS ⁵⁷ ¹ H-NMR, UV ⁵⁶ MS ⁵⁶ |

8. Concluding Remarks and Acknowledgements

A recent paper²⁰ reports anew about the reaction mentioned at the very beginning of this Report. As it turns out, the authors then were not too far from truth and derivatives of 1,3,2-benzodiazaphospholes can indeed be obtained this way. Our knowledge of anellated (hetero)phospholes has greatly developed since then, but the topic is still a frontier area of research in organophosphorus chemistry. More syntheses and more systems will certainly be added.

The reactivity of these compounds has been little explored so far and much more remains to be investigated. It is already apparent, however, that the compounds offer many possibilities and as some of them are readily accessible, their reactions may well become of practical use. It is hoped that this Report will stimulate further work in this areas.

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