# 35Cl NQR of 1,5,2-Diazaphosphorine Derivatives\*

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NQR frequencies and asymmetry parameters ( $\eta$ ) of <sup>35</sup>Cl chlorine-containing 1,5,2-diazaphosphorine derivatives are reported and discussed. NMDO calculations with total optimization of geometry have been carried out. The  $\nu_{\rm cal}$  and  $\eta_{\rm cal}$  values, calculated by means of the Townes and Dailey theory, correlate well with the experimenal data.

#### Introduction

NQR spectroscopy has occupied its proper place in the chemistry of organophosphorus compounds. This technique has provided a rather efficient tool in both the structural determination of intermediates and reaction products (phosphorylation, for example) [1, 2], and investigations of the electron density distribution chlorine-containing organophosphorus pounds [3, 4]. This seemed to be the main reason for the 35Cl NQR frequencies of phosphorus compounds containing P-Cl bonds to be compiled [5]. In spite of the great number of chlorine-containing phosphorus compounds examined by <sup>35</sup>Cl NQR spectroscopy, the inaccessible 1,5,2-diazaphosphorine chloro derivatives remained poorly understood [1]. The interest in these compounds comes from their aromatic nature on the one hand, and their capability for dimerization leading to diazadiphosphetidines of trigonal bipyramidal structure on the other hand. Complexation of 1,5,2-diazaphosphorines with Lewis acids has not been studied either. All this inspired us to examine the NQR spectra of 1,5,2-diazaphosphorine chloro derivatives.

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#### **Results and Discussion**

The <sup>35</sup>Cl NQR signals of 1,5,2-diazaphosphorine chlorine-containing derivatives can be assigned to chlorine atoms attached to the phosphorus atom (27-30 MHz) and to carbon atoms (35-40 MHz) (Tables 1, 2). The signals of the chlorine atoms in the >PCl<sub>2</sub> group of 2,2,4,6-tetrachloro-2,2-dihydro-1,5,2diazaphosphorine (I) are split considerably ( $\Delta v =$ 1.5 MHz). Normally, the ≥ PCl<sub>2</sub> group in a six-membered ring shows a lower  $\Delta v$  value than in the spectrum of I [5]. As follows from quantum-chemical calculations (MNDO with total geometry optimization), the two chlorine atoms are practically equivalent (Table 1, Scheme). They have nearly the same charges, bond lengths, and deviate from the ring plane at the same angle. Relying on these data, a singlet or poorly split signal should be expected to correspond to the chlorine atoms in the >PCl<sub>2</sub> group. The asymmetry parameters  $(\eta)$  of the electric field gradient (EFG) for these atoms are presented in Table 1. These  $\eta$  values are higher than those of the P-Cl bond in 5-cyano-4-trichloromethyl-2,2,6-trichloro-2,2-dihydro-1,3,2-diazaphosphorine (Table 1), and of the same order as in diazadiphosphetidines (10%) [6], but lower than the  $\eta$ parameters for the equatorial chlorines in phenyltetrachlorophosphorane (33.5%) [4]. The above features of NQR spectra are possibly caused by dimerization of I on crystallization.

2,2,3,4,6-Pentachloro-2,2-dihydro-1,5,2-diazaphosphorine (II) contains only one signal related to the P-Cl bond. In this case the EFG asymmetry parameter is lower than in I. If the two compounds existed

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Table 1. The experimental and theoretical \*  $^{35}$ Cl NQR frequencies ( $\nu$ , MHz) and asymmetry parameters of EFG ( $\eta$ , %) of chlorine-containing organophosphorus compounds.

Compounds	$v_{\rm exp}^{77}$	$\eta_{\rm exp}$	$v_{\rm cal}$	$\eta_{\rm cal}$
I CI CI	35.620 35.964 29.308 27.788	$16.6 \pm 0.7$ $19.2 \pm 1.5$ $11.2 \pm 0.7$ $11.5 \pm 1.4$	55.638 52.830 46.559 46.558	4.5 5.2 1.4 1.4
II CI CI	38.747 36.110 35.315 29.087	$3.5 \pm 0.6$ $18.7 \pm 1.0$ $22.3 \pm 2.3$ $8.6 \pm 1.3$	56.443 56.085 53.705 47.754	0.6 4.7 5.7 1.1
CI CI CI	41.059 40.308 39.643 35.563 29.098 28.838	1.3 0.8 4.5 25.5 1.7 4.3	53.514 52.220 52.153 54.703 47.902 48.838	0.2 0.8 0.8 5.1 1.0 0.9
IA CI	36.000 35.726 35.324 35.123			

<sup>\*</sup> MNDO, \*\* Experimental data [3].

Table 2. The <sup>35</sup>Cl NQR frequencies at 77 K ( $v^{77}$ ) and signal/noise ratio (s/n) in the spectra of I H<sup>+</sup>X<sup>-</sup> complexes (I = 2,2,4,6-tetrachloro-2,2-dihydro-1,5,2-diazaphosphorine).

X <sup>-</sup>	C-Cl bond		P-Cl bond		
	v <sup>77</sup> , MHz	s/n	ν <sup>77</sup> , MHz	s/n	
C1 <sup>-</sup>	38.012 37.826	24 26	29.500	16	
AlCl <sub>4</sub>	38.421 37.903	11 13	29.481 29.125	10 9	
SnCl <sub>6</sub>	38.722 37.832	6 7	29.707 29.616	3 4	
SbCl <sub>6</sub>	39.002 37.984	4 7	29.988 29.442	6 4	
PCl <sub>6</sub>	38.450 * 37.809 37.532	5 7 6	30.104 29.834 29.668 29.469 29.191	6 3 5 7 4	

<sup>\*</sup> Broad signal.

Scheme: MNDO calculated lengths of the C-Cl and P-Cl bonds (pm).

in the monomeric form, the spectrum of **II** would be expected to show a higher  $\eta$  value than in **I**, since the accumulation of electron-acceptor substituents leads to an increase in the EFG asymmetry parameters [7].

In I the chlorine atoms attached to carbon atoms give rise to two  $^{35}$ Cl NQR signals. The high-frequency signal can be assigned to the chlorine atom in position 6. The same atom possesses a lower EFG asymmetry parameter as well. For molecule II two low-frequency signals of those corresponding to the C–Cl bond can analogously be assigned to the chlorine atoms in position 6 and 4. The high-frequency signal arises from the chlorine atom in position 3. The low v value for this atom is quite surprising. The atom is likely to be displaced from the ring plane. Frequencies and asymmetry parameters of the  $C_{sp^2}$ -Cl and P-Cl bonds correlate with the calculated values (Table 1).

$$v_{\text{exp}} = -16.2 + 0.952 v_{\text{calc}}, r = 0.96, s = 1.07 n = 11,$$
  
 $\eta_{\text{exp}} = 2.82 + 3.55 \eta_{\text{calc}}, r = 0.93, s = 2.9 n = 11.$ 

The substitution of the chlorine atoms attached to the phosphorus atom by fluorines does not affect very much the <sup>35</sup>Cl NQR frequencies of the C-Cl bond.

Molecule I does not form complexes either with SnCl<sub>4</sub> or with PCl<sub>5</sub>. The spectra of homogenized 1:1 mixtures consist of signals characteristic of individual components. The interaction of I with HCl was estab-

lished by <sup>35</sup>Cl NQR spectroscopy (Table 2). In the spectrum of the I · HCl adduct the NQR frequencies are noticeably higher for the atoms of P-Cl bonds and especially for those of C-Cl bonds.

In an inert solvent saturated with HCl the diazaphorsphorine I forms stable salts with Lewis acids (AlCl<sub>3</sub>, SnCl<sub>4</sub>, SbCl<sub>5</sub> and PCl<sub>5</sub>). In this case the changes in frequencies are similar to those observed in the formation 2-chloropyridine salts with mineral acids [8]. The determination of the possible proton localization site is quite difficult. MNDO calculations show the 5-H cation to be by 8.9 kcal/mole more stable than the 1-H isomer. The formation of cations gives rise to the shortening of the C-Cl and P-Cl lengths (Scheme).

## **Experimental**

The NOR frequencies and n values at 35Cl nuclei were measured at 77 K with a pulsed NOR spectrometer of IS-3 type. The  $\eta$  values of polycrystalline substances were determined by use of the spectra of quadrupole spin echo envelopes modulated with a constant outer magnetic field, the intensity of which is

about 5 · 10<sup>3</sup> A · m<sup>-1</sup>. The modulation spectrum was obtained from an experimental interferogram by a routine program of fast Fourier transformation. The method used for determining the asymmetry parameters is described in more detail in [9].

2,2,4,6-Tetrachloro-2,2-dihydro-1,5,2-diazaphosphorine (I) was synthesized by the reaction of PCl<sub>5</sub> with N-acetylurea [1].

2.2.3.4.6-Pentachloro-2,2-dihydro-1,5,2-diazaphosphorine (II) was preparated by heating 1-(trichlorophosphoazo)-1,3,4-trichloro-2-aza-1,3-butadiene [2].

Calculation of  $v_{cal}$  and  $\eta_{cal}$  was performed by the Townes and Dailey theory.

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