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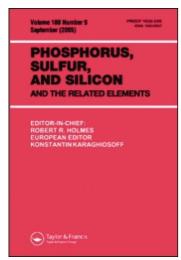
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# PHOSPHORUS-BORON AND PHOSPHORUS-SILICON RING SYSTEMS FUNCTIONALIZATION OF PHOSPHORUS RING SYSTEMS

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Abstract The diphosphide  $K_2[(t-Bu)P-BN(i-Pr)_2-P(t-Bu)]$  reacts with t-BuPCl<sub>2</sub> to form the P<sub>3</sub>B ring system (i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>NB(t-BuP)<sub>3</sub> 1. The five-membered P<sub>4</sub>B ring system (i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>NB(t-BuP)<sub>4</sub> 2 is formed from  $K_2[(t-BuP)_4]$  3 and (i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>NBCl<sub>2</sub> analogous to the above reaction.

The reaction of 3 with SiCl<sub>4</sub> or Si<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub> produces the novel five-membered ring systems (t-BuP)<sub>4</sub>SiCl<sub>2</sub> 4 or (t-BuP)<sub>4</sub>Si(Cl)SiCl<sub>3</sub> 5 respectively.

New routes to the synthesis of the monofunctionalized cyclophosphanes (t-BuP)<sub>2</sub>PCl 6 and (t-BuP)<sub>3</sub>PCl 7 and to the new bifunctionalized cyclophosphane 1-Br-3-[(t-Bu)(Br)P]-2.4-(t-Bu)<sub>2</sub>-P<sub>4</sub> 8 will be reported.

1, 2, 4, and 7 could be characterized by X-ray structure analysis; the structures of 5 and 8 could be inferred from NMR data. The <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra of 2 and 7 indicate (<sup>10.11</sup>B) and (<sup>35.37</sup>Cl) isotopic shifts respectively.

### INTRODUCTION.

Until recently, very few phosphorus boron ring compounds with P-P bonds were known, but a number of binary compounds have now been isolated where the basic unit appears to be a  $P_2$ ,  $P_3$ , and  $P_4$  fragment in the ring <sup>1-6</sup>. We have found that 1 and 2 are obtained by cyclocondensation reactions of the type [1 + 3] or [1 + 4] where '1' is a boron dihalide compound.

The reaction of 3 with functionalized silicon compounds provides a synthetic pathway to P<sub>4</sub>Si ring systems.

Functionalized cyclophosphanes were obtained by two different routes. Firstly, [2 + 1] cyclocondensation reactions also take place when '1' is a dihalogenoamino phosphane thus leading to monoamino cyclotriphosphane. The amino group can readily be substituted by a chlorine atom when reacted with HCl. This variation circumvents the

need for reactive silyl or stannyl substituted intermediates  $^7$ . Secondly, in-situ generation of [PX] (X = Cl, Br) from the system PX<sub>3</sub>/SnX<sub>2</sub><sup>8</sup> in the presence of (t-BuP)<sub>3</sub> results in a ring expansion reaction thus forming a four-membered monohalogenated cyclotetra-phosphane (t-BuP)<sub>3</sub>PX. Depending on the reaction conditions a second phosphinidene [PX] is added exocyclic to a phosphorus atom of (t-BuP)<sub>3</sub>PX in  $\beta$ -position to PX simultaneously followed of a migration of that  $\beta$ -t-Bu group to the PX part.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The new ring systems P<sub>3</sub>B triphosphaboretane and P<sub>4</sub>B tetraphosphaborolidine resulted from studies aimed at the generation of binary boron-phosphorus rings with P-P bonds. A [3 + 1] cyclocondensation of K<sub>2</sub>[(t-Bu)P-BN(i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>-P(t-Bu)] with t-BuPCl<sub>2</sub> give rise to produce the four-membered P<sub>3</sub>B ring<sup>1</sup>

$$K_2[(t-Bu)P-BN(i-Pr)_2-P(t-Bu)] \ + \ t-BuPCl_2 \ \longrightarrow \ (i-Pr)_2NB(t-BuP)_3$$

Using this route the [4 + 1] cyclocondensation of  $K_2[(t-BuP)_4]$  with  $(i-Pr)_2NBCl_2$  yielded the five-membered  $P_4B$  ring system <sup>1</sup>.

The molecular structure of 1 and 2 was determined from a single-crystal X-ray diffraction study, figure 1 and 2.

The method described above can also be used for the synthesis of phosphorus-silicon rings. The five-membered P<sub>4</sub>Si ring was synthesized from 3 and SiCl<sub>4</sub>.

$$K_2[(t-BuP)_4] + SiCl_4 \xrightarrow{-2 \text{ KCl}} (t-BuP)_4SiCl_2$$

Surprisingly, the two chlorine atoms of the SiCl<sub>2</sub> group do not react with 3 to form the expected spiro compound; this kinetic inertness is due to the steric hindrance by the two t-Bu groups. A X-ray crystal structure analysis of 4 is shown in figure 3. The P<sub>4</sub>Si ring system is even formed when 3 is reacted with Si<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub>.

$$K_2[(t-BuP)_4]$$
 +  $Si_2Cl_6$   $\longrightarrow$   $(t-BuP)_4Si(Cl)-SiCl_3$ 
3 5

When irradiating 5 with u.v. light, compound 4 and (SiCl<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub> are produced and no disilene. The structure of 5 was proved by <sup>31</sup>P NMR and MS data; the <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum shows an AMRX spin system.

We are particularly interested in the synthesis of functionalized cyclophosphanes. We have begun to explore the reactions of  $K_2[(t-BuP)_2]$  with dihalogenoaminophosphanes in order to prepare new types of monofunctionalized cyclotriphosphanes. The replacement of the amino group by halogen atoms can easily be achieved with HX (X = Cl, Br).

Furthermore, functionalization of cyclotetraphosphane was achieved by insertion of insitu generated phosphinidene [PX] into the P<sub>3</sub> skeleton of cyclotriphosphane.

$$(t-BuP)_3 + PX_3/SnX_2 \xrightarrow{[PX] \text{ addition} \\ -SnCl_4} [(t-BuP)_3 = P-X] \xrightarrow{[PX] \text{ insertion}} (t-BuP)_3P-X$$

The multiplets of the  $^{31}P$  NMR spectrum of 7 show satellites which are attributed to the  $^{35,37}Cl$  isotopomers. 7 was characterized by a X-ray structure analysis, Figure 4. Depending on the reaction conditions [PX] can even add to 7, leading to an intermediate, which rearranges by migration of an  $\alpha$ -t-Bu group to the exocyclic (=PX) group thus forming a bifunctionalized phosphino halogeno cyclotetraphosphane.

$$(t-BuP)_{3}P-X + PX_{3}/SnX_{2} \xrightarrow{[PX] \text{ addition}} [(t-BuP)_{2}PX(t-BuP=P-X] \xrightarrow{\text{rearrangement}}$$

$$7$$

$$1-X-3-[(t-Bu)(X)P]-2.4-(t-Bu)_{2}-P_{4}$$
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The <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum of 8 corresponds to a ABMRX spin system.

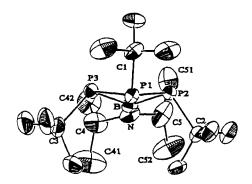


FIGURE 1 The Molecular Structure of (i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>NB(t-BuP)<sub>3</sub> 1

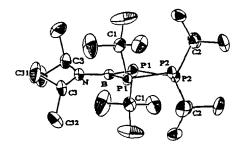


FIGURE 2 The Molecular Structure of (i-Pr)<sub>2</sub>NB(t-BuP)<sub>4</sub> 2

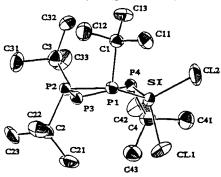


FIGURE 3 The Molecular Structure of (t-BuP)<sub>4</sub>SiCl<sub>2</sub> 4

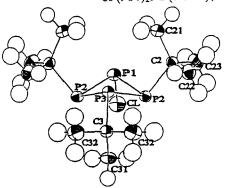


FIGURE 4 The Molecular Structure of (t-BuP)<sub>3</sub>PCl 7

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