# An Efficient Synthesis of N-Phosphorylated Azadienes, Primary (E)-Allylamines, and $\beta$ -Amino-Phosphane Oxides and -Phosphonates from $\beta$ -Functionalized Oxime Derivatives

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A simple and stereoselective synthesis of primary (E)-allylamines 1 and 1-azadienes 5, 7 is reported. N-Phosphorylated azadienes 5 and 7 are obtained by addition of phosphorus chlorides 3 to unsaturated oximes 2, while azadienes 24 are prepared by olefination reactions of

functionalized enamines 20/21. Reduction of azadienes 5, 7, 24 and derivatives 13/14 and 20/21 with hydrides, followed by deprotection of the resulting amines leads to the formation of primary allylamines 1 and  $\beta$ -aminophosphane oxides 17, phosphonates 18, and phosphonic acid derivatives 19.

Allylamines represent an important class of compounds, not only because of their occurrence in natural products<sup>[1a]</sup> and in vinylogous polypeptides<sup>[1b]</sup>, but also as they are key intermediates in both organic synthesis<sup>[2]</sup> and in medicinal chemistry, given their activities as chemotherapeutic agents<sup>[3a]</sup>, enzyme inhibitors<sup>[3b]</sup>, and as antifungals<sup>[3c][3d]</sup>. Moreover, primary allylamines are rapidly gaining interest as target compounds of synthetic organic methodologies due to their usefulness in the preparation of plasma polymers<sup>[4a]</sup>, and of acyclic<sup>[4b]</sup> and cyclic compounds<sup>[4c][4d]</sup>.

While there are many approaches available for allylamine preparation<sup>[1a]</sup>, these are often multi-step or are specific for individual examples, and lead to mixtures of regio- and stereoisomers. Despite the growing interest in these compounds, the development of a methodology directed towards the synthesis of primary allylic amines is still an active area of research in organic chemistry [5][6][7][8][9][10]. In recent years, considerable efforts have been focussed on their preparation by means of amination reagents [6] (Scheme 1, route a), by coupling reactions with carbon-carbon bond formation<sup>[7]</sup> (Scheme 1, route b) of 1,2dehydrogenation of α-haloimines and subsequent hydride reduction<sup>[8]</sup> (Scheme 1, route c), and by olefination reactions using phosphorus ylides[9], phosphonates[10a][10b][10c], and phosphane oxides<sup>[10d]</sup> with carbonyl compounds (Scheme 1, route d-1). However, all attempts to extend these routes to the  $\alpha$ -substituted derivatives have failed<sup>[10d]</sup>. Similarly, although the reduction of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated oximes may provide attractive starting materials for the synthesis of primary allylic amines, in most cases, reduction of these compounds unfortunately leads to many compounds, among which the allylic amine is obtained in poor to moderate yields besides aziridines<sup>[1a]</sup> (Scheme 1, route e).

In connection with our interest in the preparation and use of phosphorus-nitrogenated compounds[11] as building blocks in synthetic strategies, we have used β-phosphorylated enamines as starting materials in the synthesis of heterocycles such as pyrazoles[12a], aminoquinolines[12b], pyridines<sup>[12c]</sup>, pyridones<sup>[12d]</sup>, and diaza-phosphanines<sup>[12e]</sup>, as well as of acyclic derivatives such as oximes[13a], hydrazones<sup>[13b]</sup>, functionalized enamines<sup>[13c]</sup>, and aminodienes<sup>[13d]</sup>. In this context, it is noteworthy that we have recently used phosphorus compounds derived from imines and oximes as homologation reagents [14] for the conversion of carbonyl derivatives into secondary allylamines<sup>[14]</sup>, as well as into  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated oximes<sup>[13a]</sup>, with the introduction of two additional carbon atoms in the resulting chain. Here, we aim to extend this methodology to the preparation of a wide range of primary (E)-allylamines from functionalized N-phosphorylated amines, given that these compounds represent protected analogues of primary amines that can be unmasked by mild acidic cleavage, and that they are easily obtained by reduction of functionalized N-diphenylphosphanylimines<sup>[15]</sup>. In this context, it is noteworthy that N-diphenylphosphanylaldimines are easily obtained from oximes<sup>[15]</sup> and have been used for the synthesis of aziridines<sup>[16a]</sup>, oxazirines<sup>[16b]</sup>, and amines<sup>[15][16c]</sup>. Retrosynthetically, we envisaged obtaining allylamines 1 (Scheme 1, route d) through simple addition of chlorodiphenylphosphane or diethyl chlorophosphite to unsaturated oximes 2, followed by selective reduction of the carbon–nitrogen double bond of  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated imines 5 and 7, while unsaturated oximes 2 ( $R^2 = H$ , SiMe<sub>3</sub>) may be easily prepared from allenes derived from phosphane oxides 9 and phosphonates  $10^{[13a]}$ .

#### **Results and Discussion**

## Synthesis of N-Phosphorylated 1-Azadienes 5, 7 and Allylamines 6, 8, and 1

The preparation of *N*-phosphorylated 1-azadienes **5** (Table 1, entries 1–3) was easily accomplished in very high yields from  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated oximes **2** (R<sup>2</sup> = H, SiMe<sub>3</sub>) by reaction with chlorodiphenylphosphane **3a** (R<sup>4</sup> = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>), followed by free-radical rearrangement of the initially formed phosphorus(III) oxime ester **4** (Scheme 2). Compounds **5** were characterized by their spectroscopic data. The <sup>31</sup>P-NMR spectrum of **5a** showed an absorption at  $\delta$  = 19.0, and further examination of the <sup>1</sup>H- and <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra was consistent with the azadiene structure.

The reduction of azadienes containing an aryl group in the 4-position, such as 5a, c, was usually conducted with sodium tetrahydridoborate (in refluxing ethanol) and led to diphenylphosphinic amides 6 (Table 1, entries 4-6). Monitoring by TLC indicated that the reactions were often complete within 24 h. The highly electron-withdrawing diphenylphosphanyl moiety greatly augments the electrophilicity of the imine carbon atom, so that nucleophilic attack by hydride reagents is rapid. Vicinal  ${}^{3}J_{HH}$  coupling constants in the range 16-17 Hz between the vinylic protons of 6 are consistent with the (E) configuration of the carbon-carbon double bond. Therefore, this procedure is highly selective; the configuration of the carbon-carbon double bond is retained, thereby affording exclusively the (E) stereoisomer. However, under these reaction conditions, the reduction of azadienes 5 bearing aliphatic substituents at the 4-position led to the formation not only of the protected allylic amines 6, but also of the saturated amine as a side product. Consequently, in order to avoid the reduction of both the carbon-nitrogen and the carbon-carbon double bonds of compounds 5 and the formation of saturated amines, reductions of azadienes 5 were performed below -30 °C. At such temperatures, the process provides allylic amines 6 in a selective fashion (Table 1, entry 5). Protected primary amines 6 can be easily unmasked by mild acidic cleavage. Treatment of the substituted amines 6 with 2 N hydrogen chloride in ethanol afforded the primary allylic amines 1 in excellent yields (Scheme 2, Table 1, entries 14, 16).

Diethyl chlorophosphite 3b ( $R^4 = OC_2H_5$ ) showed a similar reaction pattern, also leading to azadienes 7 as well

Scheme 2

as to protected 8 and primary allylamines 1. Simple addition of 3b to  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated oximes 2 led to the formation of N-phosphorylated 1-azadienes 7 (Scheme 2, Table 1, entries 7-9), reduction of which with sodium tetrahydridoborate at low temperature gave allylic amines 8 in a selective fashion (Table 1, entries 10-12). These primary amines 8 are easily cleaved in acidic media to afford the primary allylic amines 1 (Table 1, entries 13, 17). From a preparative point of view, it is noteworthy that the synthesis of amines 1 does not require the isolation and purification of azadienes 5 and 7. The products can be obtained in a "one-pot" reaction from oximes 2, when, after evaporation of the solvent, compounds 5 and 7 are directly reduced with hydrides and then the amines 6 and 8 are deprotected in acidic media (Table 1, entries 14, 16, 18, 19). These results prompted us to extend this reaction and to explore whether β-functionalized oximes 11 derived from phosphane oxides ( $R^5 =$  $C_6H_5$ ), from phosphonates 12 ( $R^5 = OC_2H_5$ ), or from their precursor allenes 9 or 10 could be useful synthetic intermediates, providing an easy and efficient access to β-aminophosphane oxides and -phosphonates.

## Synthesis of $\beta$ -Aminophosphane Oxides 15/17, Phosphonates 16/18, and Phosphonic Acid Derivatives 19

β-Aminophosphorus derivatives represent an important class of compounds, not only because they can form part of a peptide structure<sup>[17a]</sup>, but also because of their biological activities as enzyme inhibitors<sup>[17b][17c][17d]</sup>, as modulators of quisqualic acid/phosphoinositide<sup>[17e]</sup>, as well as in the synthesis of phosphorus analogues of pantotheine<sup>[17f]</sup>. However, despite the growing interest in these compounds, there is only a relatively small number of procedures available for their synthesis<sup>[17f][18]</sup>.

β-Functionalized oximes 11 and 12, derived from phosphane oxides and phosphonates, respectively, and easily prepared by simple addition of hydroxylamines to allenes derived from phosphane oxide 9 ( $R^5 = C_6H_5$ ) and phosphonates 10 ( $R^5 = OC_2H_5$ ), have recently been used for the preparation of  $\alpha$ ,β-unsaturated oximes [14a]. Similarly, these β-phosphorylated oximes 11 and 12 represent starting materials for the synthesis of *N*-phosphorylated imines or enamines derived from phosphane oxides 13/13′ and iminophosphonates 14. The preparation of phosphane oxide deriva-

Table 1. 1-Azadienes 5, 7 and allylamines 6, 8, and 1 obtained

Entr	y Com	p. R <sup>1</sup>	$\mathbb{R}^3$	Yield <sup>[a]</sup>	m.p. [°C]
1	5a	Н	4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	80	100-102
2	5b	Η	CH <sub>2</sub> CH(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	82	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
2 3	5c	Me	$4-MeC_6H_4$	92	140 - 143
4 5	6a	Η	4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	80	137 - 140
5	6b	Η	$CH_2CH(CH_3)_2$	72	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
6	6c	Me	$4-\text{MeC}_6\text{H}_4$	83	145 - 147
7	7a	Η	$4-\text{MeC}_6^{\circ}\text{H}_4$	92	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
8 9	7b	Η	4-MeOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	85	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
9	7c	Me	$3-C_5H_4N$	85	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
10	8a	Н	$4-MeC_6H_4$	89	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
11	8b	Н	$4-MeOC_6H_4$	70	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
12	8c	Me	$3-C_5H_4N$	85	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
13	1a	Н	$4-MeOC_6H_4$	73 <sup>[c]</sup> 78 <sup>[e]</sup>	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
14	1b	Н	$CH_2CH(CH_3)_2$	82 <sup>[b]</sup> 69 <sup>[d]</sup>	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
15	1c	Н	$CH_2CH_2C_6H_5$	72 <sup>[e]</sup>	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
16	1d	Me	$4-MeC_6H_4$	79 <sup>[b]</sup> 73 <sup>[d]</sup> 74 <sup>[e]</sup>	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
17	1e	Me	$3-C_5H_4N$	80 <sup>[c]</sup>	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
18	1f	Me	$CH_2CH_2C_6H_5$	67 <sup>[d]</sup>	oil <sup>[f]</sup>
19	1g	Me	$CH_2CH(CH_3)_2$	$70^{[d]}$	oil <sup>[f]</sup>

 $^{[a]}$  Yields refer to isolated compounds.  $-^{[b]}$  Yield of isolated compounds from allylamines **6**.  $-^{[c]}$  Yield of isolated compounds from allylamines **8**.  $-^{[d]}$  Yield of isolated purified product referred to "one-pot" process from azadienes **2**.  $-^{[e]}$  Yield of isolated compounds from allylamines **25**.  $-^{[f]}$  Oils isolated by flash chromatography.

tives 13 was accomplished very easily and in high yields by means of simple addition (TLC control) of chlorodiphenylphosphane 3a ( $R^4 = C_6H_5$ ) or of diethyl chlorophosphite **3b** ( $R^4 = OC_2H_5$ ) to  $\beta$ -functionalized oximes 11, derived from phosphane oxides ( $R^5 = C_6H_5$ ), in chloroform solution (Scheme 3, Table 2). Compounds 13 were characterized on the basis of their spectroscopic data, which indicate that they are formed as a mixture of  $\beta$ -imino and (Z)- $\beta$ -enamino tautomers 13/13' when methyl oximes  $(11, R^1 = H)$  are used (Table 2, entries 1, 2), although, for our purposes, separation of the isomers was not necessary for subsequent reactions. On the other hand, only (Z)- $\beta$ -enamines 13' are obtained (Table 2, entries 3-6) when substituted oximes  $(11, R^1 = CH_3, 4-Me-C_6H_4)$  are used. The <sup>31</sup>P-NMR spectrum of the aforementioned mixture of 13/13'a showed four different absorptions at  $\delta = 23.7/28.4$  and 18.6/30.0, with the former pair of signals corresponding to the imino isomer 13a. The integrals of these signals indicated an approximate isomer ratio 33:67. In the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 13a, the methylene proton resonates at  $\delta = 3.54$  as a well-resolved doublet with a coupling constant of  ${}^{2}J_{\rm PH} = 14.7$  Hz, while the methyl group gives rise to a singlet at  $\delta = 1.87$ . The <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum shows absorptions at  $\delta = 48.0$  $(^{1}J_{PC} = 56.6 \text{ Hz})$  and at  $\delta = 32.7$ , attributable to the carbon bonded to the phosphorus atom and to the methyl group of the imino isomer, respectively. On the other hand, the enamino derivative 13'a shows distinctly different absorptions, namely a doublet at  $\delta = 4.59$  ( $^2J_{\rm PH} = 21$  Hz) for the vinylic proton, as well as a signal for the methyl group at  $\delta = 2.14$  in the  $^1H$  spectrum, while in the  $^{13}C$  spectrum the methine carbon atom resonates at  $\delta = 88.9$  ( ${}^{1}J_{PC} = 106.5$ Hz) and the absorption of the methyl group is shifted to higher field ( $\delta = 24.3$ ) relative to that of the imino tautomer. The vicinal  $^{13}\text{C}^{-31}\text{P}$  coupling constant ( $^{3}J_{PC}=15.1$  Hz) shows that the methyl group and phosphorus atom in the β-enamino compound **13'a** are mutually *trans* oriented.  $^{[13b][19]}$  Similar behaviour has been observed in the reaction of oximes derived from phosphonates **12**, not only with chlorodiphenylphosphane **3a** ( $\text{R}^4 = \text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ ), but also with diethyl chlorophosphite **3b** ( $\text{R}^3 = \text{OC}_2\text{H}_5$ ), leading in this case to the exclusive formation of β-imino compounds **14** (Table 2, entries 7–11).

Table 2. Phosphane oxides 13/13' and phosphonates 14 obtained

Entry	Compound	$\mathbb{R}^1$	R <sup>4</sup>	Yield (%)[a]	13/13' ratio <sup>[b]</sup>	m.p.[°C]
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	13/13'a 13/13'b 13/13'c 13/13'd 13/13'f 13/13'f 14a 14b 14c 14d 14e	H Me	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	75 80 80 85 75 80 75 85 73 80 86	33:67 20:80 0:100 0:100 0:100 0:100	56-58 oil <sup>[c]</sup> 66-68 oil <sup>[c]</sup> 64-66 oil <sup>[c]</sup> oil <sup>[c]</sup> oil <sup>[c]</sup> oil <sup>[c]</sup> oil <sup>[c]</sup> oil <sup>[c]</sup>

 $^{[a]}$  Yield of isolated purified product. -  $^{[b]}$  13/13' ratio determined by  $^{31}P\text{-NMR}.$  -  $^{[c]}$  Oils isolated after "trap-to-trap" high-vacuum distillation (10 $^{-5}$  Torr).

Functionalized phosphane oxides 13/13' and phosphonates 14, prepared by addition of chloro derivatives 3 to oximes derived from phosphane oxides 11 and phosphonates 12, as described in Scheme 3, can be used for the synthesis of amines derived from phosphane oxides and from phosphonates by reducing them with hydride reagents. Thus, treatment of the aforementioned mixtures of  $\beta$ -imino 13 and β-enamino phosphane oxides 13' with sodium tetrahydridoborate in refluxing ethanol led to the formation of N-phosphorylated β-amino-functionalized derivatives 15 with excellent yields (Scheme 3 and Table 3, entries 1-6). Spectroscopic data were in agreement with the proposed structures. Protected amines 15 can be easily unmasked (Scheme 3) by treating them with 2 N aq. HCl, thereby affording the primary  $\beta$ -aminophosphane oxides 17 in excellent yields (Table 3, entries 12-14). Primary amines 17 can also be prepared by reduction of the functionalized phosphane oxides 13/13' with neutral hydrides derived from borane and pyridine followed by the addition of HCl (Table 3, entries 12, 13).

Similarly, phosphonate esters 14 reacted with NaBH<sub>4</sub> and gave N-phosphorylated  $\beta$ -aminophosphonates 16 in very high yield (Table 3, entries 7–11). Cleavage of the phosphorus—nitrogen linkage of protected amines 16 was also performed with 2 N HCl, affording the primary  $\beta$ -aminophosphonates 18 (Table 3, entries 15–17). Acid hydrolysis of phosphonates 18 with 20% HCl led to the formation of  $\beta$ -aminoalkylphosphonic acids 19 in satisfactory yields (Table 3, entries 18–20). Once again, from a preparative point of view, it is noteworthy that the synthesis of  $\beta$ -aminophosphorus derivatives 17–19 does not require the isolation and purification of the functionalized enamines

and/or imines derived from phosphane oxides 13/13' or iminophosphonates 14. The products can be obtained in a "one-pot" reaction from allenes 9 and 10 when, after removal of the solvent, the oxime derivatives 11 and 12 are directly treated with phosphorus chlorides 3 and then with hydride and 20% HCl (Table 3, entries 12, 16, 19).

Table 3. Phosphane oxides 15, 17 and phosphonates 16, 18 obtained

Entry	Comp	. R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>4</sup>	Yield (%	( <sub>0</sub> )[a]	m.p.[°C]
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17	15a 15b 15c 15d 15e 15f 16a 16b 16c 16d 16e 17a 17b 17c 18a 18b	H H Me 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> H Me 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> H Me 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> H Me 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> H Me 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> OC <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	70 80 70 80 75 79 70 65 78 72 75 60 <sup>[b]</sup> 60 <sup>[c]</sup> 61 <sup>[d]</sup> 65 <sup>[b]</sup> 65 <sup>[b]</sup>	,	58-60 oil <sup>[g]</sup> 57-58 oil <sup>[g]</sup> 74-76 oil <sup>[g]</sup>
18 19 20	19a 19b 19c	H Me 4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>		60 76 68	67 <sup>[f]</sup>	> 250 > 250 > 250 > 250

[a] Yield of isolated purified product. — [b] Yield of isolated compounds from amines 15 and 16. — [c] Yield of isolated compounds from amines 15 using BH<sub>3</sub>·Py and HCl. — [d] Yield of isolated compounds from N-PMP-amines 22. — [e] Yield of isolated compounds from amines 22 and 23. — [f] Yield of isolated compounds from oximes 11 or 12. — [g] Oils isolated by flash chromatography.

#### Synthesis of Primary Allylamines 1 and β-Aminophosphorus Derivatives 17–19 from *N*-Protected Imines and Enamines 20, 21

Primary allylamines 1 and  $\beta$ -aminophosphorus derivatives 17–19 can also be synthesized from functionalized N-protected nitrogen derivatives 20, 21 containing easily removable groups such as p-methoxyphenyl (PMP) or a benzhydryl group<sup>[20]</sup>. The preparation of these N-PMP-enaminophosphane oxide derivatives 20 was achieved by the addition of p-methoxyphenylamine to allenylphosphane oxides 9 in refluxing acetonitrile. Compounds 20 were charac-

terized by their spectroscopic data, which indicate that they are formed as a mixture of both (Z)- and (E)-enamines 20' (minor products) and the β-iminophosphane oxides 20 (major compounds), although for our subsequent purposes, separation of the enamines and imines was not necessary. Reduction of the phosphane oxide derivatives 20/20' with NaBH<sub>4</sub> yielded the N-PMP-amines 22. The N-PMP protecting group of the amine was then selectively cleaved by treatment with 5 equiv. of cerium(IV) ammonium nitrate (CAN) in acetonitrile, furnishing the primary amines 17a, **b** (Table 3, entries 12, 13). Similarly, addition of benzhydrylamine to allenes 9 and 10 gave  $\beta$ -enamines derived from phosphane oxide 20 and phosphonates 21, which were formed as a mixture of the (Z) and (E) isomers. Selective removal of the benzhydrylic group was achieved by catalytic hydrogenation [Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>/C], thereby affording functionalized amines derived from phosphane oxides 17a (Table 3, entry 12) and phosphonates 18a, b (Table 3, entries 15, 16).

Finally, when  $\beta$ -enaminophosphane oxides **20** substituted with a *p*-methoxyphenyl (PMP) group are used, this strategy can also be used for the preparation of allylamines **1**. Thus, treatment of  $\beta$ -enamine **20** with methyllithium, followed by the addition of aromatic and aliphatic aldehydes, afforded *N*-PMP-azadienes **24**. Selective reduction of the imino group of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated imines **24** with NaBH<sub>4</sub> gave *N*-protected allylamines **25**. The *N*-PMP protecting group of the amine was then selectively cleaved by treatment with CAN in acetonitrile, yielding primary allylic amines **1**. These allylamines **1** can also be obtained in a "one-pot" reaction from allene **9**, without the isolation and purification of enamines **20**.

Scheme 4

In conclusion, we have described a new strategy that constitutes a simple and general method for the synthesis of a broad range of allylamines 1, 1-azadienes 5, 7, 24, and  $\beta$ -aminophosphorus derivatives 15–19, from easily available starting materials and under mild reaction conditions. 1-Azadienes are very versatile intermediates that find application in a wide variety of methods for the construction of

six-membered heterocycles<sup>[21]</sup>, while allylamines are useful compounds in organic chemistry, not only because of their application in organic synthesis<sup>[2][3][4]</sup>, but also owing to their biological activities<sup>[3]</sup>.

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### **Experimental Section**

General: Melting points were determined with a Büchi SPM-20 apparatus and are uncorrected. Analytical TLC was performed on 0.25-mm silica-gel plates (Merck). Visualization was accomplished by exposure to UV light/iodine vapour. Solvents for extraction and chromatography were technical grade and were distilled from the indicated drying agents: CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>), n-hexane and diethyl ether (sodium benzophenone ketyl), ethyl acetate (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>). All solvents used in reactions were freshly distilled from appropriate drying agents prior to use: acetonitrile (P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>), CHCl<sub>3</sub> (P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>). All other reagents were recrystallized or distilled as necessary. All reactions were performed in oven- (125°C) or flame-dried glassware under dry N<sub>2</sub>. – Column (flash) chromatography was carried out on silica gel (Merck, 70-230 mesh). - Mass spectra (EI) were obtained with a Hewlett Packard 5890 spectrometer using an ionization voltage of 70 eV. Data are reported in the form m/z (intensity relative to base peak = 100). - Infrared (IR) spectra were recorded with a Nicolet IRFT Magna 550 spectrometer either as neat liquids or as solids in KBr. Absorptions are reported in cm<sup>-1</sup>. - <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectra were recorded with a Varian 300 MHz spectrometer using tetramethylsilane ( $\delta = 0.00$ ) or chloroform ( $\delta = 7.26$ ) as internal references in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or D<sub>2</sub>O solutions. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra were recorded at 75 MHz with chloroform ( $\delta = 77.0$ ) as an internal reference in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or D<sub>2</sub>O solutions. <sup>31</sup>P-NMR spectra were recorded at 120 MHz with 85% phosphoric acid as an external reference. Chemical shifts are given in ppm ( $\delta$ ). Coupling constants J are reported in Hertz. - Elemental analyses were determined with a Perkin-Elmer Model 240 instrument.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Imines 5 and 7: A dry 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a dropping funnel, gas inlet, and magnetic stirrer, was charged with the azadiene 2 (5 mmol), triethylamine (5 mmol), and 25 ml of benzene. The mixture was then cooled to 8°C and a solution of 5 mmol of chlorodiphenylphosphane (3a) or chlorodiethylphosphonate (3b) in 10 ml of benzene was added over a period of 5 min. The mixture was stirred until TLC indicated the disappearance of the azadiene 2 (6–12 h). The triethylamine hydrochloride formed was then filtered off, the filtrate was concentrated, and the crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.

**5a**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.44 $_{\circ}$ g of **5a** (80%) as a yellow solid, m.p.  $100-102^{\circ}\text{C}$ . — IR (KBr):  $v=1676~\text{cm}^{-1}$  (C=N), 1609 (C=C), 1179 (P=O). —  $^{1}\text{H}$  NMR (CDCl $_{3}$ ):  $\delta=2.28$  (s, 3 H, CH $_{3}$ ), 2.57 (s, 3 H, CH $_{3}$ ), 6.59 (d,  $^{3}J_{\text{HH}}=16.2$  Hz, 1 H, = CH), 7.10–7.90 (m, 15 H, HC= and aromatic H). —  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (CDCl $_{3}$ ):  $\delta=21.3$  (CH $_{3}$ ), 23.6 (d,  $^{3}J_{\text{PC}}=16.0$  Hz, CH $_{3}$ ), 128.1–131.7 (C=C and aromatic C), 141.8 (C=N). —  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (CDCl $_{3}$ ):  $\delta=19.0$ . — MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 359 (10) [M $^{+}$ ]. — C $_{23}\text{H}_{22}$ NOP (359): calcd. C 76.86, H 6.17, N 3.90; found C 76.72, H 6.22, N 3.85.

**5b**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.33 g of **5b** (82%) as a yellow oil,  $R_f = 0.48$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl): v = 1680 cm<sup>-1</sup>

(C=N), 1580 (C=C), 1170 (P=O).  $^{-1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 0.92 (d,  $^{3}J_{\rm HH}$  = 6.90 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.75 (m, 1 H, CH), 2.10 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.53 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 6.05 (m, 1 H, =CH), 6.66 (d, 1 H, HC=), 7.36–7.94 (m, 10 H, aromatic H).  $^{-13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 22.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.2 (CH), 42.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 128.2–134.0 (C=C and aromatic C), 145.6 (C=N).  $^{-31}$ P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 18.6.  $^{-}$ MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 325 (18) [M<sup>+</sup>].  $^{-}$ C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NOP (325): calcd. C 73.84, H 7.38, N 4.31; found C 74.02, H 7.42, N 4.35.

**5c**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.72 g of **5c** (92%) as a yellow solid, m.p. 140–143°C. – IR (KBr): ν = 1610 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1562 (C=C), 1179 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.29 (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.36 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.97 (mc,  $^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.2 Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.40 (d,  $^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 16.2 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 7.16–8.00 (m, 15 H, HC= and aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 8.29 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 33.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 125.1–131.9 (C=C and aromatic C), 141.8 (C=N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 18.1. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 373 (4) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NOP (373): calcd. C 77.19, H 6.48, N 3.75; found C 77.32, H 6.42, N 3.82.

7a: Chromatographic separation gave 1.36 g of  $\mathcal{J}a$  (92%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.43$  (ethyl acetate). — IR (NaCl): v = 1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1045 (P=O). — <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.36$  (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.38 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.12 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.69 (d,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=16.2$  Hz, 1 H, = CH), 7.07—7.53 (m, 5 H, HC= and aromatic H). — <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 62.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 126.2—143.5 (C=C and aromatic C), 141.8 (C=N). — <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=9.4$ . — MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 295 (16) [M<sup>+</sup>]. — C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (295): calcd. C 61.01, H 7.51, N 4.74; found C 61.19, H 7.42, N 3.70.

**7b**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.32 g of  $\mathcal{J}\mathbf{b}$  (85%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.40$  (ethyl acetate). — IR (NaCl): v=1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1568 (C=C), 1100 (P=O). — <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.36$  (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.56 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.85 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.16 (m,  ${}^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.00 (d,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}=16.2$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.83—7.53 (m, 5 H, HC= and aromatic H). — <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.3 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 62.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 113.6—143.2 (C=C and aromatic C), 143.2 (C=N). — <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=4.1$ . — MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 311 (25) [M+]. — C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>22</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P (311): calcd. C 61.01, H 7.51, N 4.74; found C 61.19, H 7.42, N 3.70.

7c: Chromatographic separation gave 1.27 g of  $\mathcal{T}$ c (85%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.42$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl): v=1521 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=C), 1246 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.36$  (m, 9 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.86 (c, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.15 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.68–8.73 (m, 6 H, HC=CH and aromatic C). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=8.0$  (CH), 16.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 34.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 62.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 123.8–138.4 (C=C and aromatic C), 148.2 (C=N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=4.7$ . – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 296 (3) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>21</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (296): calcd. C 56.76, H 7.09, N 9.46; found C 56.60, H 7.18, N 9.51.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Amines 6 and 8: A dry 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a reflux condenser, gas inlet, and magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of imine 5 or 7, 377 mg (10 mmol) of NaBH<sub>4</sub>, and 40 ml of ethanol. The mixture was stirred under reflux until TLC indicated the disappearance of the compound 5 or 7 (1 d). The mixture was then washed with water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.

**6a**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.44 g of **6a** (80%) as a yellow solid, m.p. 137-140 °C. – IR (KBr): v = 3335 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH),

1522 (C=C), 1185 (P=O).  $^{-1}$ H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 1.28$  (d,  $^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 6.3$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.20 (m, NH), 2.26 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.40 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.12 (dd,  $^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 15.9$  Hz,  $^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 6.3$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.42 (d,  $^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 15.9$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 7.02–7.58 (m, 14 H, aromatic H).  $^{-13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 21.1$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 68.8 (CH), 128.3–134.2 (C=C and aromatic C).  $^{-31}$ P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 22.8$ . – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 361 (17) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>23</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NOP (361): calcd. C 76.43, H 6.69, N 3.87; found C 76.32, H 6.72, N 3.80.

**6b**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.55 g of **,6b** (72%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.52$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3390~cm^{-1}$  (NH), 1567 (C=C), 1176 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 0.87 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.2$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.22 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=6.3$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.50 (m, 1 H, CH), 1.87 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.80 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.70 (m, NH), 6.80 (dd, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=15.8$  Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=6.2$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 7.42–7.94 (m, 11 H, aromatic H and =CH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 22.5 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.7 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 39.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.7 (CH), 128.3–134.8 (C=C and aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 22.5. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 327 (22) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NOP (327): calcd. C 73.39, H 7.95, N 4.28; found C 73.52, H 7.82, N 4.20.

**6c**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.56 g of **6c** (83%) as a yellow solid, m.p. 145–147°C. – IR (KBr): v = 3207 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1550 (C=C), 1199 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 0.92$  (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 7.5$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.73 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.33 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.96 (m, NH), 3.72 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.05 (dd,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 15.9$  Hz,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 6.9$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.33 (d,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 15.9$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 7.04–7.97 (m, 14 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 10.1$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.1 (CH), 126.3–137.3 (C=C and aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 22.4$ . – MS (70 eV); *m/z* (%): 375 (6) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>26</sub>NOP (375): calcd. C 76.78, H 6.98, N 3.75; found C 76.92, H 6.82, N 3.80.

**8a**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.32 g of **8a** (89%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.47$  (ethyl acetate). — IR (NaCl):  ${\rm v}=3382$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1521 (C=C), 1025 (P=O). — <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.28$  (m, 9 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.80 (m, NH), 2.43 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.13 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.48 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.20 (dd,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=15.9$  Hz,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=6.3$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.53 (d,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=15.9$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 7.08—7.36 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). —  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.1$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 62.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 69.0 (CH), 126.3—137.4 (C=C and aromatic C). —  $^{31}$ P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=8.1$ . — MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 297 (3) [M<sup>+</sup>]. —  $C_{15}H_{24}$ NO<sub>3</sub>P (297): calcd. C 60.59, H 8.14, N 4.71; found C 60.69, H 8.08, N 4.77.

**8b**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.10 g of **,8b** (70%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.39$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3340$  (NH) cm<sup>-1</sup>, 1521 (C=C), 1146 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.28$  (m, 9 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.82 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 4.07 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.40 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.60 (m, NH), 6.12 (dd, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=15.9$  Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=6.6$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.51 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=15.9$  Hz, 1 H, = CH), 6.84–7.40 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 55.2 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 62.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 68.8 (CH), 114.0–136.4 (C=C and aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=8.1$ . – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 313 (33) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P (313): calcd. C 57.51, H 7.67, N 4.47; found C 57.64, H 7.50, N 4.37.

**8c**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.27 g of **8c** (85%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f} = 0.40$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu = 1562$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=), 1136 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 0.98$  (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 7.2$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.30 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.65 (mc,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 7.2$  Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.0 (m, NH), 3.74 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.08 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH} = 4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.18 (dd,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 15.9$  Hz,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 6.6$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.53 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 15.9$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.82–8.70 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 10.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.2 (CH), 62.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 118.2–149.6

(C=C and aromatic C). - <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 8.1. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 298 (7) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>23</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>P (313): calcd. C 56.37, H 7.72, N 9.40; found C 56.52, H 7.62, N 9.45.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Allylamines 1: A dry 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of amine 6 or 8, and 20 ml of 2 N aq. HCl. The mixture was stirred (2-6 h) and was then basified with 2 N aq. NaOH, washed with water, and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. Allylamines 1 could also be obtained in a "one-pot" reaction starting from azadienes 2 by following the same general procedures for generating compounds 5 and 7, 6 and 8, and 1, but without isolating the intermediate products. Triethylamine hydrochloride was filtered off under nitrogen and the solvents were removed in vacuo. The allylamines 1 were purified as described above.

**1a**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.65 g of **Ja** (73%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f} = 0.12$  (ethyl acetate). − IR (NaCl): v = 3350 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1528 (C=C). − <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 1.23$  (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.60 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.15 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.79 (s, 3 H, OCH<sub>3</sub>), 6.07 (dd, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 15.2$  Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 6.5$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.37 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 15.2$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 6.80−7.31 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). − <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 24.3$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 43.7 (CH), 55.4 (OCH<sub>3</sub>), 119.4−136.4 (C=C and aromatic C). − MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 177 (5) [M<sup>+</sup>]. − C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>15</sub>NO (177): calcd. C 74.57, H 8.47, N 8.24; found C 74.65, H 8.60, N 8.11.

**1b**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.57 g of **1b** (82%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f} = 0.08$  (ethyl acetate) – IR (NaCl):  $\nu = 3374$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1640 (C=C). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 0.87$  (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 6.9$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.25 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 6.2$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.50 (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub> and CH), 1.85 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.51 (m, 1 H, CH), 5.39 (dd, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 14.7$  Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 8.7$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 5.69 (m, 1 H, =CH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 10.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 26.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 41.5 (CH), 55.5 (CH), 126.8 and 136.1 (C=C). – MS (70 eV); *mlz* (%): 141 (15) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>9</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N (141): calcd. C 76.59, H 13.47, N 9.93; found C 76.40, H 13.52, N 10.01.

**1d**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.68 g of **Jd** (79%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.03$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3345$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1575 (C=C). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.93$  (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}=7.5$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.53 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.33 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.37 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.60 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 6.08 (dd,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}=15.9$  Hz,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}=7.2$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.43 (d,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}=15.9$  Hz, 1 H, =CH), 7.09–7.28 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.5$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.7 (CH), 126.1–137.0 (C=C and aromatic C). – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 175 (8) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N (175): calcd. C 82.23, H 9.78, N 7.99; found C 82.35, H 9.83, N 8.05.

1e: Chromatographic separation gave 0.65 g of Je (80%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.02$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl): v=3321 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1598 (C=C). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.95$  (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.5$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.56 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.60 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.41 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.23 (dd,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=16.2$  Hz,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.2$  Hz, 1 H, HC=), 6.47 (d, J=16.2 Hz, 1 H, =CH), 7.21–8.58 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). –  $^{13}$ C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=9.3$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.2 (CH), 122.2–146.9 (C=C and aromatic C). – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 162 (20) [M<sup>+</sup>]. –  $C_{10}$ H<sub>14</sub>N<sub>2</sub> (162): calcd. C 74.07, H 8.64, N 17.28; found C 74.25, H 8.60, N 17.31.

**1f**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.64 g of **.1f** (67%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f} = 0.02$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu = 3326$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1640 (C=C). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 1.15$  (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH} = 6.3$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.66 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.43 (m,

3 H, CH and CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.44 (m, 2 H, HC=CH), 7.13–7.67 (m, 5 H, aromatic H).  $-^{13} C$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 10.4$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 40.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.2 (CH), 125.7–142.3 (C=C and aromatic C). - MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 189 (3) [M<sup>+</sup>]. - C<sub>13</sub>H<sub>19</sub>N (189): calcd. C 82.54, H 10.05, N 7.41; found C 82.48, H 10.11, N 7.45.

**1g**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.45 g of **Jg** (70%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.06$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl): v = 3300 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1668 (C=C). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.91$  (d,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=6.9$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.12 (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=6.5$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.57 (m, 3 H, CH and CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.70 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 1.84 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.42 (m, 1 H, CH), 5.37–5.41 (m, 2 H, HC=CH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 22.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 22.7 (CH), 41.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 55.1 (CH), 127.6 and 137.9 (C=C). – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 127 (12) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N (127): calcd. C 75.59, H 13.39, N 11.02; found C 75.71, H 13.30, N 11.01.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Allylamines 1: A solution of the allylamine 25 (5 mmol) in acetonitrile (30 ml) was cooled to  $0^{\circ}$ C and treated with a solution of CAN (8.2 g, 15 mmol) in water (70 ml) over a period of 5 min. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 1 h, then diluted with 300 ml of water and extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 50 ml). The combined organic extracts were washed with 20% sodium sulfite solution, satd. sodium bicarbonate solution and water, and then dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.

1a: Chromatographic separation gave 0.60 g of 1a (68%).

1c: Chromatographic separation gave 0.64 g of Jc (72%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.10$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3396~cm^{-1}$  (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1659 (C=C). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=1.15$  (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=6.3$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.66 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.48 (m, 3 H, CH and NH<sub>2</sub>), 5.26–5.62 (m, 2 H, HC=CH), 7.13–7.67 (m, 5 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=22.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 34.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.8 (CH), 125.7–142.3 (C=C and aromatic C). – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 175 (8) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N (175): calcd. C 82.28, H 9.71, N 8.01; found C 82.14, H 9.85, N 7.91.

1d: Chromatographic separation gave 0.51 g of 1d (59%).

General Procedure for the Preparation of Phosphane Oxides 13 and 13' and Phosphonates 14: A dry 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a dropping funnel, gas inlet, and magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of the  $\beta$ -phosphorylated oxime 11 or 12, triethylamine (5 mmol), and 30 ml of benzene. The mixture was cooled to 8°C and a solution of 5 mmol of chlorodiphenylphosphane 3a or diethyl chlorophosphite 3b in 10 ml of benzene was added over a period of 5 min. The mixture was stirred until TLC indicated the disappearance of the oxime 11 or 12 (6–12 h). Triethylamine hydrochloride was then filtered off, the filtrate was concentrated, and the crude product was either triturated with diethyl ether or distilled.

13a and 13'a: The crude product was triturated with diethyl ether, giving 2.05 g of 13a/13'a (75%) as a yellow solid, m.p.  $56-58^{\circ}\text{C}$ . – IR (KBr):  $v = 3462 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (NH), 1612 (C=C), 1175 (P=O). –  $^{1}\text{H}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 13a:  $\delta = 1.87$  (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.54 (d,  $^{2}J_{\text{PH}} = 14.7 \text{ Hz}$ , 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.21-7.91 (m, 20 H, aromatic H); 13'a:  $\delta = 2.14$  (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.59 (d,  $^{2}J_{\text{PH}} = 21 \text{ Hz}$ , 1 H, CH), 7.21-7.29 (m, 20 H, aromatic H), 11.00 (m, NH). –  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 13a:  $\delta = 32.7$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 48.0 (d,  $^{1}J_{\text{PC}} = 56.6 \text{ Hz}$ , C-P), 128.4-134.9 (aromatic C), 158.5 (C=N); 13'a:  $\delta = 24.3$  (d,  $^{3}J_{\text{PC}} = 15.1 \text{ Hz}$ , CH<sub>3</sub>), 88.9 (dd,  $^{1}J_{\text{PC}} = 106.5 \text{ Hz}$ ,  $^{3}J_{\text{PC}} = 7.6 \text{ Hz}$ , C-P), 128.4-134.9 (aromatic C), 160.0 (=C-N). –  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): 13a:  $\delta = 23.7$ , 28.4; 13'a:  $\delta = 18.6$ , 30.0. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%):

547 (12) [M $^+$ ]. - C<sub>27</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (547): calcd. C 70.89, H 5.51, N 3.06; found C 71.03, H 5.56, N 3.02.

13b and 13'b: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.57 g of 13b/13'b (80%) as a colorless oil. - IR (NaCl):  $v = 3435 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (NH), 1582 (C=C), 1051 (P=O).  $- {}^{1}\text{H}$ NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): **13b**:  $\delta = 1.19$  (t,  ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.26 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.35 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{PH} = 13.8$  Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.01 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{PH} =$ 4.00 Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.35–7.73 (m, 10 H, aromatic H); **13**'b:  $\delta$  = 1.29 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{HH} = 7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.06 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{PH} = 4.00 \text{ Hz}, 4 \text{ H}, \text{CH}_{2}), 4.54 \text{ (dd, } {}^{1}J_{PC} = 22.5 \text{ Hz}, {}^{3}J_{PC} = 4.5$ Hz, 1 H, CH), 7.20-7.78 (m, 10 H, aromatic H), 9.5 (m, NH). -<sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): **13b**:  $\delta = 16.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 47.6 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{PC} = 56.6 \text{ Hz}, \text{ C-P}, 62.5 \text{ (CH}_{2}), 128.4-134.9 \text{ (aromatic C)},$ 157.4 (C=N); **13**'**b**:  $\delta = 16.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.1 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{PC} = 14.0$  Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 88.0 (dd,  ${}^{1}J_{PC} = 107.2 \text{ Hz}$ ,  ${}^{3}J_{PC} = 11.5 \text{ Hz}$ , C-P), 128.1-134.8 (aromatic C), 159.0 (-C=N).  $-{}^{31}P$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): **13b**:  $\delta = 9.7$ , 23.3; **13'b**:  $\delta = 0.7$ , 29.7. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 393 (7) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (393): calcd. C 58.02, H 6.41, N 3.56; found C 58.12, H 6.46, N 3.52.

13′c: The crude product was triturated with diethyl ether, giving 1.88 g of 13′c (65%) as a yellow solid, m.p. 66–68°C. – IR (KBr): ν = 3442 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1615 (C=C), 1172 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.0 (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.4 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.42 (mc,  $^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.4 Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.59 (dd,  $^2J_{\rm PH}$  = 21.0 Hz,  $^4J_{\rm PH}$  = 3.0 Hz, 1 H, CH), 7.21–7.83 (m, 20 H, aromatic H), 10.00 (m, NH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 11.6 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.0 (d,  $^3J_{\rm PC}$  = 14.9 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 86.7 (d,  $^1J_{\rm PC}$  = 115.6 Hz,  $^3J_{\rm PC}$  = 11.0 Hz, C–P), 128.4–133.8 (aromatic C), 162.2 (=C–N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 18.4, 30.8. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 471 (25) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (547): calcd. C 71.33, H 5.77, N 2.97; found C 71.47, H 5.66, N 3.02.

**13'd**: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.73 g of **13'd** (85%) as a colorless oil. – IR (NaCl): ν = 3429 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1580 (C=C), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.10 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.5 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.19 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.02 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.57 (mc, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.03 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH}$  = 4.00 Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.57 (dd,  ${}^{2}J_{\rm PH}$  = 21.6 Hz,  ${}^{4}J_{\rm PH}$  = 5.1 Hz, 1 H, CH), 7.35–7.77 (m, 10 H, aromatic H), 9.48 (m, NH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 11.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 27.2 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PC}$  = 12.6 Hz, C–P), 62.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 85.8 (dd,  ${}^{1}J_{\rm PC}$  = 107.2 Hz,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PC}$  = 11.5 Hz, C–P), 128.3–133.6 (aromatic C), 163.5 (=C–N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 0.5, 30.7. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 407 (2) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (407): calcd. C 58.97, H 6.68, N 3.44; found C 56.12, H 6.76, N 3.52.

13'e: The crude product was triturated with diethyl ether, giving 2.05 g of 13'e (75%) as a white solid, m.p. 64–66°C. – IR (KBr): ν = 1618 cm<sup>-1</sup> (=C–N), 1175 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 2.25 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.00 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.28 (dd, <sup>2</sup> $J_{\rm PH}$  = 21.0 Hz, <sup>4</sup> $J_{\rm PH}$  = 3.3 Hz, 1 H, CH), 6.81–7.86 (m, 24 H, aromatic H), 9.60 (m, NH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 41.0 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PC}$  = 16.5 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 90.5 (dd, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}$  = 107.2 Hz, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PC}$  = 11.4 Hz, C–P), 128.4–132.0 (aromatic C), 163.3 (=C–N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 19.0, 30.8. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 547 (5) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>34</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (547): calcd. C 74.58, H 5.71, N 2.56; found C 74.69, H 5.66, N 2.61.

13′f: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.93 g of 13′f (80%) as a colorless oil. – IR (NaCl): ν = 3442 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1608 (C=C), 1119 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.27 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.02 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.33 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.90 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.07 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH}$  = 4.00 Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.37 (dd,  ${}^{2}J_{\rm PH}$  = 21.0 Hz,  ${}^{4}J_{\rm PH}$  = 6.0 Hz, 1 H, CH), 7.05–7.60 (m, 14 H, aromatic H), 9.65 (m, NH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 16.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 40.6 (d,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PC}$  = 12.5 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 63.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 89.3 (dd,  ${}^{1}J_{\rm PC}$  = 105.0 Hz,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PC}$  = 11.6 Hz, C–P), 128.3–136.3 (aromatic C), 161.4

(=C-N). - <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 0.5, 30.5. - MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 483 (22) [M<sup>+</sup>]. - C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (483): calcd. C 64.59, H 6.46, N 2.90; found C 64.65, H 6.52, N 2.96.

**14a**: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.34 g of **14a** (75%) as a colorless oil. – IR (NaCl): ν = 1613 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1120 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.29 (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.02 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.25 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.98 (d,  $^2J_{\rm PH}$  = 24.0 Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.05 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}$  = 4.00 Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.23 – 7.86 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 16.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 31.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 43.2 (d,  $^1J_{\rm PC}$  = 126.9 Hz, C–P), 65.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.9 – 135.9 (aromatic C), 161.5 (C=N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 19.9, 23.1. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 393 (10) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>25</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (393): calcd. C 58.02, H 6.41, N 3.56; found C 58.22, H 6.50, N 3.40.

**14b**: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.73 g of **14b** (85%) as a yellow oil. – IR (NaCl): ν = 1620 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 0.95 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.2 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.27 (t,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.02 Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.74 (c, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.54 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{\rm PH}$  = 22.8 Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.12 (m,  ${}^{3}J_{\rm PH}$  = 4.00 Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.21–7.89 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 11.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 18.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.0 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{\rm PC}$  = 127.2 Hz, C–P), 62.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.9–132.5 (aromatic C), 156.6 (C= N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 18.4, 23.9. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 407 (33) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (407): calcd. C 58.97, H 6.68, N 3.44; found C 56.12, H 6.56, N 3.40.

**14c**: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.25 g of **14c** (73%) as a yellow oil. – IR (NaCl): v = 1618 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1175 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 0.86 (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 7.3$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.26 (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 7.02$  Hz, 12 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.73 (mc, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.63 (d,  ${}^2J_{\rm PH} = 21.9$  Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.08 (m,  ${}^3J_{\rm PH} = 4.00$  Hz, 8 H, CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 8.4 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 25.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 42.0 (d,  ${}^1J_{\rm PC} = {}_127.4$  Hz, C-P), 62.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 160.1 (C=N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 7.6, 23.3. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 343 (13) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (343): calcd. C 41.98, H 6.50, N 3.48; found C 42.12, H 6.56, N 3.40.

**14d**: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.66 g of **14d** (80%) as a yellow oil. – IR (NaCl):  $v = 1630 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (C=N), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 1.21$  (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH} = 7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.22 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.02 (d,  ${}^2J_{\rm PH} = 22.5$  Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.72 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.93 (m,  ${}^3J_{\rm PH} = 4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.99–7.90 (m, 14 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 16.3$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 42.2 (d,  ${}^1J_{\rm PC} = 127.2$  Hz, C–P), 50.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 62.0 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 128.1–136.9 (aromatic C), 151.6 (C=N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 19.0$ , 23.6. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 483 (7) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (483): calcd. C 64.59, H 6.41, N 2.90; found C 64.70, H 6.36, N 2.97.

**14e**: The crude product was distilled under reduced pressure, giving 1.80 g of **14e** (86%) as a yellow oil. – IR (NaCl): ν = 1632 cm<sup>-1</sup> (C=N), 1038 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.28 (t,  ${}^3J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.02 Hz, 12 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.27 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.87 (d,  ${}^2J_{\rm PH}$  = 23.7 Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.60 (s, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.13 (m,  ${}^3J_{\rm PH}$  = 4.00 Hz, 8 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.03–7.21 (m, 4 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 16.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 41.0 (d,  ${}^1J_{\rm PC}$  = 126.8 Hz, C–P), 50.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 62.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 126.4–131.7 (aromatic C), 151.6 (C=N). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 9.9, 23.1. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 345 (37) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>31</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (345): calcd. C 51.55, H 7.45, N 3.34; found C 51.49, H 7.46, N 3.22.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Phosphane Oxides 15 and Phosphonates 16: A dry 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a reflux condenser, gas inlet, and magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of the phosphane oxide 13 or 13' or phosphonate 14, 377 mg (10 mmol) of NaBH<sub>4</sub>, and 40 ml of ethanol. The mixture was

stirred under reflux until TLC indicated the disappearance of the compound 13/13′ or 14 (1 d). The mixture was then washed with water and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was either triturated with diethyl ether or purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.

**15a**: The crude product was triturated with diethyl ether, giving 1.61 g of **15a** (70%) as a yellow solid, m.p.  $58-60^{\circ}$ C. – IR (KBr):  $v = 3180 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (NH), 1179 (P=O). –  $^{1}\text{H}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 1.31 \text{ (d, }^{3}J_{\text{HH}} = 6.6 \text{ Hz}$ , 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.66 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.50 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.20 (m, NH), 7.21–7.82 (m, 20 H, aromatic H). –  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 25.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 38.5 (d,  $^{1}J_{\text{PC}} = 63.1 \text{ Hz}$ , C-P), 44.6 (CH), 128.6-131.8 (aromatic C). –  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 22.3$ , 30.8. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 459 (19) [M<sup>+</sup>]. –  $C_{27}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_{2}\text{P}_{2}$  (459): calcd. C 70.58, H 5.92, N 3.05; found C 70.77, H 5.86, N 2.97.

**15b**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.58 g of **15b** (80%) as a colorless oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.1$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3429~{\rm cm}^{-1}$  (NH), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.22$  (m, 9 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.51 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.20 (m, NH), 3.66 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.93 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00~{\rm Hz}$ , 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.36–7.77 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 38.0 (dd,  $^1J_{\rm PC}=68.6~{\rm Hz}$ ,  $^3J_{\rm PC}=5.5~{\rm Hz}$ , C-P), 44.8 (CH), 62.3 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 128.4–133.3 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=7.6$ , 30.2. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 395 (7) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (395): calcd. C 57.72, H 6.88, N 3.54; found C 58.01, H 6.94, N 3.56.

**15c**: The crude product was triturated with diethyl ether, giving 1.66 g of **15c** (70%) as a white solid, m.p. 57–60°C. – IR (KBr):  $v = 3402 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  (NH), 1192 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 0.77$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH} = 7.2$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.77 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.72 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.90 (m, NH), 3.29 (m, 1 H, CH), 7.20–7.83 (m, 20 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 10.4$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 35.9 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC} = 68.1$  Hz, C-P), 50.3 (CH), 128.3–133.1 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 22.5$ , 31.2. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 473 (9) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>2</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (473): calcd. C 71.03, H 6.17, N 2.96; found C 71.23, H 6.25, N 2.97.

**15d**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.64 g of **15d** (80%) as a colorless oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.08$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3436$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1186 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.79$  (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=6.4$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.19 (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.60 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.49 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.43 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.91 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.20 (m, NH), 7.35–7.77 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.5 (d,  $^1J_{\rm PC}=68.6$  Hz, C–P), 50.4 (CH), 62.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 128.4–134.4 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=8.1$ , 30.5. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 409 (26) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (409): calcd. C 58.68, H 7.14, N 3.42; found C 56.82, H 7.06, N 3.52.

**15e**: The crude product was triturated with diethyl ether, giving 2.05 g of **15e** (75%) as a yellow solid, m.p.  $74-76^{\circ}C$ . – IR (KBr):  $v=3180~cm^{-1}$  (NH), 1185~(P=O). –  $^{1}H$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=2.2$  (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.67 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.00 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (m, NH), 3.52 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.80–7.72 (m, 24 H, aromatic H). –  $^{13}C$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=21.1$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.8 (d,  $^{1}J_{PC}=69.2$  Hz, C–P), 43.1 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.5 (CH), 128.2-136.0 (aromatic C). –  $^{31}P$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=25.5$ , 31.1. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 549 (19) [M<sup>+</sup>]. –  $C_{34}H_{33}NO_{2}P_{2}$  (549): calcd. C 74.31, H 6.05, N 2.55; found C 74.53, H 6.15, N 2.57.

**15f**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.92 g of **15f** (79%) as a colorless oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.12$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3415$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.18$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.29 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.55 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.70 (m, NH), 2.97 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=6.3$  Hz, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.68 (m, 1 H, CH),

3.88 (m,  ${}^3J_{\rm PH} = 4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 6.92–7.97 (m, 14 H, aromatic H).  $-{}^{13}{\rm C}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 16.1$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 34.8 (dd,  ${}^1J_{\rm PC} = 68.3$  Hz,  ${}^3J_{\rm PC} = 4.5$  Hz, C-P), 42.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 50.1 (CH), 62.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 128.5–135.9 (aromatic C).  $-{}^{31}{\rm P}$  NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.5$ , 30.5. - MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 485 (6) [M<sup>+</sup>]. - C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (485): calcd. C 64.32, H 6.85, N 2.88; found C 64.52, H 7.02, N 2.90.

**16a**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.39 g of **16a** (70%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.09$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3409~cm^{-1}$  (NH), 1024 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=1.28$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.82 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.92 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=9.0$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 3.63 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.01 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.22 (m, NH), 7.21–7.87 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=16.2$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 24.2 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.1 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=136.7$  Hz, C–P), 61.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 62.8 (CH), 126.5–132.6 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=22.7$ , 30.3. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 395 (16) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>27</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (395): calcd. C 57.27, H 6.88, N 3.54; found C 57.52, H 6.92, N 3.50.

**16b**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.32 g of **16b** (65%) as a colorless oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.07$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl): v=3327 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.93$  (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.2$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.28 (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.77 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.20 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.80 (m, NH), 3.61 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.10 (m,  $^3J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.29–7.97 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.4$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.4 (d,  $^1J_{\rm PC}=135.8$  Hz, C-P), 48.9 (CH), 60.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 127.2–133.6 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=22.5$ , 29.5. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 409 (11) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>20</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (409): calcd. C 58.68, H 7.14, N 3.42; found C 58.51, H 7.04, N 3.36.

**16c**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.34 g of **16c** (78%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.08$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3450~cm^{-1}$  (NH), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.96$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.5$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.33 (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 12 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.68 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.05 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.40 (m, NH), 3.30 (m, H, CH), 4.09 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 8 H, CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.4$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.6 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.8 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=136.7$  Hz, C-P), 49.4 (CH), 61.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=8.2$ , 29.5. – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 345 (21) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>29</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (345): calcd. C 41.74, H 8.46, N 4.06; found C 41.92, H 8.50, N 3.99.

**16d**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.74 g of **16d** (72%) as a colorless oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.1$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3327~{\rm cm}^{-1}$  (NH), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.37$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.07 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.32 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.83 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.61 (m, 1 H, CH), 3.80 (m, NH), 4.09 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.03–7.96 (m, 14 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.4$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.0 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=137.7$  Hz, C–P), 43.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=16.6$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.5 (CH), 61.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 125.7–136.0 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=22.7$ , 29.4. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 393 (2) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>26</sub>H<sub>32</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (393): calcd. C 64.50, H 6.66, N 2.89; found C 64.66, H 6.56, N 2.93.

**16e**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.57 g of **J6e** (75%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.1$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3380~cm^{-1}$  (NH), 1031 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=1.34$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 12 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.89 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.32 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.85 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.70 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.17 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 8 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 4.60 (m, NH), 7.06–7.28 (AA'BB' system, 4 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=16.3$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.6 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=137.8$  Hz, C-P), 43.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=16.5$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.5 (CH), 61.4 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 128.2–136.0 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\rm \delta=7.6, 29.1$ . – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 419 (34) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>18</sub>H<sub>33</sub>NO<sub>6</sub>P<sub>2</sub> (419): calcd. C 51.55, H 7.45, N 3.34; found C 51.47, H 7.49, N 3.39.

General Procedure for the Preparation of Amines 17 and 18: A 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of the phosphane oxide 15 or the phosphonate 16, and 20 ml of 2 N aq. HCl. The mixture was stirred (2–6 h) and was then basified with 2 N aq. NaOH, washed with water, and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. The amines 17 and 18 could also be obtained in a "one-pot" reaction from 11 or 12 by following the same general procedures for the preparation of 13/13', 14, 15 and 16, and 17 and 18, but without isolating the intermediate products. Triethylamine hydrochloride was filtered off under nitrogen and the solvents were removed from the filtrate in vacuo. The amines 17 and 18 were purified as described above.

17a: Chromatographic separation gave 0.78 g of 17a (60%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.10$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl): v = 3362 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1185 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 1.20 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 6.0 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.42 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.42 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.80 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.29–7.78 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 25.3 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>PC</sub> = 11.0 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 38.6 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PC</sub> = 71.1 Hz, C–P), 42.8 (CH), 128.1–134.0 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 31.3. – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 259 (3) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NOP (259): calcd. C 69.48, H 7.06, N 5.40; found C 69.62, H 7.15, N 5.46.

17b: Chromatographic separation gave 0.91 g of **17b** (67%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.07$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3388$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1180 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.88$  (t,  $^3J_{\rm HH}=7.5$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.50 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.64 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.33 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.20 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 7.44–7.79 (m, 10 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.4 (d,  $^3J_{\rm PC}=_10.5$  Hz, C–P), 32.0 (d,  $^1J_{\rm PC}=68.6$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.8 (CH), 128.8–132.2 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=32.3$ . – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 274 (14) [M<sup>+</sup> + 1]. – C<sub>16</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NOP (273): calcd. C 70.31, H 7.37, N 5.12; found C 70.42, H 7.35, N 5.16.

**17c**: Chromatographic separation gave 1.13 g of **17c** (65%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.08$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3422~cm^{-1}$  (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1179 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=2.32$  (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.40 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.76 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.00 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.49 (m, 1 H, CH), 7.07–7.70 (m, 14 H, aromatic H). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=21.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.5 (d,  $^1J_{\rm PC}=72.2$  Hz, C–P), 44.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.6 (CH), 128.6–136.1 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=32.4$ . – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 350 (12) [M<sup>+</sup> + 1]. – C<sub>22</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NOP (349): calcd. C 75.63, H 6.92, N 4.01; found C 75.70, H 7.01, N 4.06.

**18a**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.64 g of **18a** (65%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.05$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\rm v=3423~cm^{-1}$  (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1030 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.19$  (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=6.9$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.30 (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.78 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.43 (s, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.14 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.08 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.4$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 21.5 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=9.7$  Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.9 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=136.8$  Hz, C-P), 45.7 (CH), 61.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=30.1$ . – MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 195 (10) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>18</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (195): calcd. C 43.08, H 9.23, N 7.18; found C 43.17, H 9.40, N 7.02.

**18b**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.68 g of **18b** (65%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.08$  (ethyl acetate). — IR (NaCl):  ${\rm v}=3398~{\rm cm}^{-1}$  (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1080 (P=O). — <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=0.95$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.2$  Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.31 (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.47 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.85 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.80 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.10 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.09 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>). — <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=10.0$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 16.3 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 30.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 32.9 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=138.0$  Hz, C-P), 48.2 (CH), 61.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>). — <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=30.9$ . — MS (70 eV); m/z (%): 209 (19) [M<sup>+</sup>]. — C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (209): calcd. C 45.90, H 9.57, N 6.70; found C 46.03, H 9.50, N 6.74.

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**18c**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.97 g of **18c** (65%) as a yellow oil,  $R_{\rm f}=0.08$  (ethyl acetate). – IR (NaCl):  $\nu=3418$  cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1070 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=1.28$  (t, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm HH}=7.02$  Hz, 6 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.85 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.25 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.71 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.80 (m, NH<sub>2</sub>), 3.40 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.02 (m, <sup>3</sup> $J_{\rm PH}=4.00$  Hz, 4 H, CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=16.3$  (CH<sub>3</sub>), 20.9 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.5 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{\rm PC}=138.5$  Hz, C–P), 43.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.2 (CH), 61.7 (CH<sub>2</sub>). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta=30.6$ . – MS (70 eV); mlz (%): 285 (6) [M<sup>+</sup>]. – C<sub>14</sub>H<sub>24</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (285): calcd. C 58.90, H 8.42, N 4.90; found C 58.98, H 8.50, N 4.86.

Alternative Procedure for the Preparation of Amines 17: A 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a reflux condenser and a magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of the phosphane oxide 13 or 13′, 30 ml of ethanol, and 2 ml (15 mmol) of BH<sub>3</sub>·Py complex. After 2 h, 10 ml of 30% aq. HCl was added. The mixture was stirred for 1 d, and was then made basic with aqueous Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> solution, washed with water, and extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>. The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography.

17a: Chromatographic separation gave 0.78 g of 17a (60%).

17b: Chromatographic separation gave 0.81 g of 17b (60%).

General Procedure for the Preparation of Amines 17 from N-PMP-Amines 22: A solution of the N-PMP-amine 22 (5 mmol) in acetonitrile (30 ml) was cooled to 0°C and then treated with a solution of CAN (8.2 g, 15 mmol) in water (70 ml) over a period of 5 min. The reaction mixture was stirred at this temperature for 1 h, then diluted with 300 ml of water, and extracted with ethyl acetate (3  $\times$  50 ml). The combined organic extracts were washed with 20% sodium sulfite solution, satd. sodium bicarbonate solution, and water, and then dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel.

17a: Chromatographic separation gave 0.78 g of 17a (61%).

17b: Chromatographic separation gave 0.85 g of 17b (63%).

Hydrogenolysis of Amines 22 and 23. — Synthesis of Amines 17 and 18: To a solution of the appropriate amine 22 or 23 (5 mmol) in 25 ml of dry methanol was added 0.25 g of 20% Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>/C. The mixture was hydrogenated under 4–5 atm hydrogen and the reaction was monitored by TLC. After completion of the reaction, the catalyst was removed by filtration and the filtrate was washed with 10% citric acid (10 ml). The combined organic layers were dried with MgSO<sub>4</sub>, filtered, and concentrated to afford the pure product.

17a: Chromatographic separation gave 0.91 g of 17a (71%).

18a: Chromatographic separation gave 0.72 g of 18a (73%).

**18b**: Chromatographic separation gave 0.72 g of **18b** (69%).

General Procedure for the Preparation of Phosphonic Acids 19: A 100-ml 2-necked flask, fitted with a reflux condenser and a magnetic stirrer, was charged with 5 mmol of the amine 18 and 15 ml of 20% aq. HCl. The mixture was refluxed for 6 h and then the solvent was removed in a rotary evaporator. The resinous residue was recrystallized from methanol/propylene oxide.

**19a**: Recrystallization from methanol/propylene oxide gave 0.58 g of **19a** (76%) as a white solid, m.p. > 250 °C. – IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3300 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub> and OH), 1180 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 1.14 (d, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.2 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.88 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.51 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.00 (m, NH<sub>2</sub> and OH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 14.0 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 32.3 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PC</sub> = 132.9 Hz, C-P), 44.4 (CH). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR

(D<sub>2</sub>O):  $\delta = 20.7$ .  $- C_3H_{10}NO_3P$  (153): calcd. C 25.90, H 7.19, N 10.07; found C 25.79, H 7.27, N 10.00.

**19b**: Recrystallization from methanol/propylene oxide gave 0.58 g of **19b** (76%) as a white solid, m.p. > 250°C. – IR (KBr):  $\nu$  = 3388 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub> and OH), 1175 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 0.94 (t, <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 6.9 Hz, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.21 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.70 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.30 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.60 (m, NH<sub>2</sub> and OH). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 9.8 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 28.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>), 29.8 (d, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>PC</sub> = 134.5 Hz, C-P), 38.0 (CH). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 22.6. – C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>12</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (153): calcd. C 31.37, H 7.84, N 9.15; found C 31.48, H 7.92, N 9.09.

**19c**: Recrystallization from methanol/propylene oxide gave 0.97 g of **19c** (68%) as a white solid, m.p. > 250°C. – IR (KBr): ν = 3388 cm<sup>-1</sup> (NH<sub>2</sub>), 1170 (P=O). – <sup>1</sup>H NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 1.90 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.26 (s, 3 H, CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.96 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.67 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.20 (m, NH<sub>2</sub> and OH), 7.18 (m, 4 H, aromatic C). – <sup>13</sup>C NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 20.1 (CH<sub>3</sub>), 29.8 (d, <sup>1</sup> $J_{PC}$  = 132.9 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 38.9 (d, <sup>3</sup> $J_{PC}$  = 11.1 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.6 (CH), 129.5–129.7 (aromatic C). – <sup>31</sup>P NMR (D<sub>2</sub>O): δ = 20.0. – C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>P (153): calcd. C 52.40, H 6.99, N 6.11; found C 52.29, H 7.12, N 6.09.

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