# General Approach for Regioselective Synthesis of Fused Phosphono Substituted-Oxadiazines

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ABSTRACT: A series of fused 1,3,4-oxadiazines were regioselectively prepared in reasonable yields as major products from the reactions of the corresponding α-carbonyl hydrazones with tetraethyl 1,3-dithietane-2,4-diylidene-bis(cyanomethylphosphonate) (1). Side products were also observed wherein the dimeric products 8 or 17 and/or different types of N-heterocycles such as pyrazole 24 or pyridazines 28 or 29 were isolated and identified. A comparative study on the chemistry of 1 toward α-aminonitrile 30 is also described. © 2000 John Wiley & Sons, Inc. Heteroatom Chem 11:196–204, 2000

## INTRODUCTION

Diverse biological/pharmacological activities have been reported for diazines and their related compounds. For instance, many pyridazines are in clinical use [1, 2], while many thiadiazines exhibit antiprotozoal, antiviral, bactericidal, and fungicidal properties [3, 4], probably by virtue of the presence of the toxopheric (-N = C-S) grouping. The oxygen analog, namely oxadiazines, on the other hand, are very few in the published literature [5]. That is the reason why the research on new oxadiazine derivatives has been stimulated during the last two decades. The synthesis of phosphono substituted-oxadiazines, which are practically unknown, should be of great interest, because organophosphorus com-

pounds often possess antibiotic, antineoplastic, antibacterial, or antiviral attributes [6]. In connection with a previous communication [7], we report on the reactions of tetraethyl 1,3-dithietane-2,4-diylidene-bis(cyanomethylphosphonate) (1), easily obtained (in high yield, ca. 70%) by the method developed by Neidlein and Eichinger [8], with several substituted- $\alpha$ -carbonylmonohydrazones, yielding mainly fused oxadiazines. The investigation was extended to the chemistry of the same reagent 1 toward anthranilonitrile 30 to study the influence of replacement of the hydroxyl group with a nitrile moiety. The reactions studied and the products obtained are depicted in Schemes 2–7.

The reaction of phosphono substituted-1,3-dithietane 1 with hydrazones would be expected to be parallel to the reactions of 1,3-dithietane 2 with Hnucleophiles, for example, to methylene- or aminospecies. In this case, according to the Peseke [9] and Neidlein [10–12] mechanisms (Scheme 1), the first formed addition product 5 and/or 6 is either stable or undergoes further transformations. Indeed, adducts from hydrazones and 1 fall within this latter group and the mode of transformation depends on the nature of the substrates.

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

An ethyl alcohol solution of oxindole-3-hydrazone (7) (also known as isatin-3-hydrazone and indolin-2-one-3-hydrazone) and a half equivalent of 1,3-dithietane 1 was heated under reflux for 6 hours. The light brown material that precipitated was collected and

identified as oxindole azine (8) (13%). For the known azine 8, its properties agreed with those reported in the literature [13]. Direct disproportionation of hydrazones to azines through the Wolff-Kishner reaction is well documented [13, 14] (Scheme 2, A).

Subjection of the filtrate to column chromatography afforded the phosphono substituted-oxadiazines 12 and 14, respectively (Scheme 2).

Diethyl 2-thiocarbamoyl(2',3'-dihydroindole) [3',2'-b](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene) methylphos-

phonate (12) was obtained as the main product (in 37% yield). Its mass spectrum displayed a molecular ion peak at m/z (%) 380 (18) [M<sup>+</sup>], and related peaks at 347 (25) [M<sup>+</sup>-33, -SH], 321 (20) [M<sup>+</sup> -59, HNCS] and at 276 (100) [(M<sup>+</sup> -59) -45, -C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>O]. The <sup>31</sup>P-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) spectrum showed a sharp signal at  $\delta p = 15.4$  ppm [12]. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum (270 MHz) of 12 revealed three types of NH- protons with different chemical shifts at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  9.55, 10.53, and 11.13 ppm based upon intramolecular hydrogen

### **SCHEME 1**

bond formation between one of the hydrogens of the  $NH_2$ -group and the oxygen atom of the P = O bonding in the phosphonate group [10]. The spectrum also showed signals at  $\delta$  1.21 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH} = 7.1$ ,  $J_{\rm HP}$ = 2.6 Hz, 6H, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.25 (d of q,  $J_{HH}$  = 7.1,  $J_{HP}$  = 3.4 Hz, 4H, O-CH<sub>2</sub>). The <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 12 exhibited a doublet ( ${}^{1}J_{cp} = 210 \text{ Hz}$ ) at  $\delta c$  78.8 ppm, which was attributed to the unsaturated carbon bearing no hydrogens and conjugated to phosphorus as indicated from the large coupling constant. Signals at  $\delta c$  17.3 (d, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 59.6 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>) and 194.5 (C = S) were also observed among others.

Diethyl 1',2'-dihydroindole[3',2'-b](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene)cyanomethylphosphonate (14) (13%) was found to be present in two different tautomeric structures 14A and 14B as indicated by the NMR spectra. The <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 14 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ) showed the exocyclic methine proton (14B) as a doublet ( ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 22.7 \text{ Hz}$ ) at 5.25 ppm. The presence of the exocyclic methine proton also attested to a doublet ( ${}^{1}J_{cp} = 183.4 \text{ Hz}$ ) at 53.6 (-CH-P, 14B) in the <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of 14, a value that coincides with an expected shift for a deshielded methine carbon due to the electron withdrawing cyano-and phosphonate groups. Furthermore, the doublet ( ${}^{I}J_{cp}$  = 213 Hz) at  $\delta$ c 73.6 was assigned for (= C–P, 14A). The presence of an NH group in 14B was strongly supported by a signal at 10.35 ppm in the <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of 14 and the frequency absorption band at v 3330 cm<sup>-1</sup> in its IR spectrum.

Scheme 2 shows the probable mechanism for the reaction of 1,3-dithietane 1 with oxindole-3-hydrazone (7), which is consistent with the data presented thus far. However, the structural products 12 and 14 indicate that 2,3-dihydrooxindole derivative 7 reacts with 1 in both lactim-7A and lactam-7B forms [15]. Even though it has been established that the preference of these compounds exists for the lactim structure, they undergo reactions characteristic of both forms 7A = 7B[15]. Following this, compound 12 should mechanistically be explained by the initial nucleophilic attack on the 1,3-dithietane carbon by the  $\beta$ -N atom of isatin-3-hydrazone (7A) to give the first intermediate 9. Subsequent prototropic rearrangement, cyclization, and transformations led to the formation of 12 (Scheme 2, B). The formation of 14, on the other hand, could be rationalized in terms of the carbophilic attack by the  $\beta$ -N of  $\gamma$ isatin-3-hydrazone 7B (lactam form) on the 1,3-dithietane carbon to give the first thiol intermediate 13, which could easily be transformed into the observed oxadiazine 14 (14A  $\rightleftharpoons$  14B) with elimination of H<sub>2</sub>S (Scheme 2, C).

It should be noted that reactions of isatins and their derivatives with other different teravalent and pentavalent phosphorus reagents were previously studied by us [16-18].

A parallel fused oxadiazine 16 (56%) and the known [19] ketazine 17 (12%) (Scheme 3) were likewise obtained by reacting phosphono substituted-1,3-dithietane 1 with acenaphthenequinonemonohydrazone (15) under the conditions previously mentioned for the reaction of 7 with 1. Identification of 16 was confirmed by combustion analysis, mass, NMR-spectroscopy, and by analogy with 12 (Scheme 2, B). Closely related to the latter reaction is the formation of acenaphthene [a] fused with pyrano-derivatives from the reaction of 1-dicyanomethyleneacenaphthen-2-one with several phosphorus ylides

The reaction of 3,5-di-tert-butyl-1,2-benzoguinone-1-monohydrazone (18) with phosphono substituted-1,3-dithietane 1 proceeded as anticipated, with the involvement of the enol substrate form 18B [21] being indicated by the formation of diethyl (6,8di-tert-butyl-9,10-dihydrobenzo[a](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene)cyanomethylphosphonate (20) (64%) as the sole adduct from the product mixture. There was no indication of the formation of a dimeric product from this reaction (Scheme 4).

As with the reaction between 1 and the hydrazone 7 (Scheme 2, C), further intramolecular cyclization of the initially formed thiol intermediate 19 yields the oxadiazine 20 accompanied by the loss of H<sub>2</sub>S (Scheme 4).

Similarly, 3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-benzene 2,1-fused with oxazines, pyridazines, and pyrazoles have also been synthesized by us [22], on treatment of Nphenyl-3,5-di-*tert*-butyl-1,2- benzoguinone monohydrazone with different types of phosphorus ylides.

1,3-Indandion-2-hydrazone (21), on treatment with 1,3-dithietane 1, gave the unexpected diethyl 2-imino-3H-4-thioxo(11,12-dihydroindan-10-one) [12,11-a](5,13,1-oxadiazole)[13,1-b](1,13-pyrazole-3-yl) phosphonate (24) (49%) along with the expected 1,3,4-oxadiazine derivative 25 as a minor product (11%) (Scheme 5). The nuclear magnetic resonance study of 24 and 25 gave results in agreement with the proposed structures.

The formation of the reaction products 24 and 25 can be rationalized by the generally accepted mechanism of the initial formation of the reactive intermediate 22. Stabilization of 22 could be attained by two different pathways of intramolecular cyclization (Scheme 5, A and B) to give either the oxadiazine 25 (Scheme 5, A) or else the oxadiazole 24 via the dipolar intermediate 23 (Scheme 5, B). Similar 1,2-dihydroindan-3-one [2,1-a] fused with oxazole and/or oxadiazole systems were previously

#### **SCHEME 3**

18A

18B

CN

$$R = C_2H_5$$

OH

 $RO)_2P$ 
 $RO(2P)$ 
 $RO$ 

#### **SCHEME 4**

#### **SCHEME 5**

reported [23,24], for example, by treatment of indantrione (or other triketones) [23] with phenylalanine.

Furthermore, we have studied the reaction of the dithietane 1 with 3-(1-hydrazoethyl) coumarin (26). When a mixture of 26 and 1 was caused to react in boiling ethyl alcohol for 18 hours, diethyl 3-methyl (2'-oxo-3',4'-dihydro-2'-oxo-benzopyran)[4',3'-c](1,2-pyridazin-6-ylidene) cyanomethylphosphonate (28) (23%), which exists in the equilibrium 28A =28B, and diethyl 5-amino-6-methyl-3-thione 6 (2'oxo-benzopyran-3'-yl) 1,2-pyridazin-4-yl-phosphonate (29) (38%) were isolated and identified as depicted in Scheme 6.

The presence of the two tautomeric structures 28A and 28B in solution could be detected by NMR spectroscopy. In the  ${}^{1}\text{H-NMR}$  (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ) spectrum of

$$(RO)_{2}P \xrightarrow{H} (RO)_{2}P = O - H$$

$$(RO)_{2}P = O - H$$

$$(RO)_{2}P$$

#### **SCHEME 6**

28, the presence of the exocyclic methine proton (28B) is found as a doublet ( ${}^{\prime}J_{HP} = 21.4 \text{ Hz}$ ) at  $\delta_{H}$ 5.26 (1H) and at  $\delta$ c 73.2 ppm (d,  ${}^{I}J_{cp} = 183$  Hz, 28B) along with the NH proton (28A) at  $\delta_{\rm H}$  8.55 ppm. Moreover, the signal at  $\delta c$  85.5 (d,  ${}^{I}J_{cp} = 208$  Hz), is attributed to (=C-P, 28A). The weak signals for the NH group in PMR and IR spectra indicates 28B as the main tautomer.

The formation of 28 and 29 is believed to occur via the initial nucleuphilic condensation of 1 with 26 to produce the thiole intermediate 27, which, by further usual transformations, yields either the adduct 29 (Scheme 6, B) [9a] or else the pyridazine derivative 28.

It is worthwhile to mention that compounds consisting of chromene [4,3-c] fused with different cyclic and heterocyclic derivatives were previously obtained [25] by the reaction of the parent, 3-acetyl coumarin, with some phosphorus ylides.

The reaction of the phosphorus reagent 1 with anthranilonitrile (30) was investigated next in an effort to search for possible chemical dissimilarities that might occur when another electronegative group (CN) is introduced in lieu of the hydroxyl moiety in o-aminophenol [26] (Equation 1).

As shown in Scheme 7, when anthranilonitrile 30

was treated with 0.4 equivalent of the phosphonato substituted-1,3-dithiethane 1 in refluxing ethanol, 1,1-di-(*N*,*N*-*o*-nitrilophenylamdiethyl 2-cvano ine)ethylene-2-phosphonate (33) and diethyl 4-imino-3,1-benzothiazin-2-yl)cyanomethylphosphonate (34), in approximate equal yields ( $\sim$ 32%), along with other unidentified products of high melting points (>340 °C) were isolated from the product mixture. It is reasonable to assume that the initial addition intermediate, 31, was formed from 30 and 1 followed by a nucleophilic addition of a second amine species 30, further elimination of an H<sub>2</sub>S molecule from the intermediate 32 affording the ethylene product 33. Conversely, with respect to the formation of 34, we presume that the intermediate 31, possibly present in the equilibrium  $31 \rightleftharpoons 31A$ , via a prototropic rearrangement, is then intramolecularly cyclized to yield the thiazine derivative 34 (Scheme 7, B). However, the deviation of the reaction course for 1 with 30 from what previously had been found for the reactions of 1 with  $\alpha$ -hydroxyl amino (or hydrazido-) compounds, presents a diverse reactivity of 1,3-dithietanes toward H-nucleophilic compounds.

Although compound 34 could undergo the tautomeric equilibrium  $34 \rightleftharpoons 35$ , as previously shown with 28B \( \preceq 28A \) (Scheme 6), spectroscopic investigation showed only one possible structure 34. In the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>,  $\delta$ ) the presence of a single tautomer 34 was indicated by the presence of one set of signals for the ethoxyl group, the exocyclic hydrogen proton observed as a doublet ( ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 22.1 \text{ Hz}$ ) at 5.17 ppm (1H) and only one signal for an = NH proton at 8.43 ppm. Furthermore, the characteristic bands at 3155 (weak, NH), 1660 (C=NH) and at

#### **SCHEME 7**

 $1405 \text{ cm}^{-1} \text{ (N=C-S)}$  in the IR spectrum of 34 and the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum, which showed, among other signals, a doublet ( ${}^{1}J_{cp} = 126 \text{ Hz}$ ) at 47.6 ppm, a value which coincides with a chemical shift for an sp3-hybridized C-atom bearing a phosphorus of the phosphonate moiety are in a better agreement with the assigned structure.

The previously noted observations show that the previously [7] studied reactions of phosphonato 1,3dithietane 1 with H-nucleophiles can be considerably extended. However, the reactions of compound 1 with  $\alpha$ -carbonyl hydrazones provide an easy route, not only for the expected fused oxadiazines, similar to 12, 14, 16, 20, or 25, but also for fused pyrazoles, for example, 24; pyridazines, for example 28 or 29; and/or other N-heterocyclic derivatives based on the hydrazone species. The nature of the  $\alpha$ -substitutent of the hydrazone moiety, on the other hand, seems to be crucial. Following this, although the first step in the reaction of 1 with hydrazones involves an initial nucleophilic attack by the  $\beta$ -N atom of the hydrazone on the 1,3-dithietane carbon (Scheme 1), the consequences of the initial step vary markedly according to the nature of the hydrazone compound. Furthermore, the unexpected behavior of 1 toward the  $\alpha$ -nitriloamine compound 30 leading to the thiazine derivative 34 and the ethylene derivative 33 represents a new finding and supplements the promising aspect of utilizing phosphorus reagent 1 in syntheses.

## **EXPERIMENTAL**

All melting points are uncorrected. The IR spectra were recorded with a Perkin Elmer Infracord Spectrometer model 197 (Grating). The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO as solvents on a Joel-270 MHz Spectrometer using SiMe<sub>4</sub> as an internal standard. The <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were taken with a Varian CFT-20 instrument (vs. external 85% H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>). Mass spectra were performed at 70 eV on a Shimadzu GCS-QP 1000 EX Spectrometer provided with a data system. Elemental analyses were carried out at the Microanalysis Laboratory at Cairo University. The appropriate precautions in handling moisture-sensitive reagents were observed. Solvents were dried by standard techniques.

## *Reaction of Oxindole-3-hydrazone* (7) *with Phosphono-Substituted-1,3-Dithietane* **1**

To a stirred solution of the hydrazone 7 [13] (1.6 g, 0.01 mol) in 30 mL of absolute ethyl alcohol was added portionwise 2.2 g (5 mmol) of tetraethyl 1,3dithietane-2, 4-diylidene-bis (cyanomethylphosphonate) (1) [8]. The stirred reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 6 hours, whereupon the vellow material that had precipitated was collected (250 mg, 13%) recrystallized from pyridine, and proved to be

oxindole azine (8) (m.p. and mixed m.p.s 255°C) [13].

The filtrate was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel. Elution with n-hexane-chloroform afforded two fractions. The first fraction (6:4, v/v) afforded yellow crystals of diethyl 2-thiocarbamoyl(2',3'-dihydroindole)[3',2'-b](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene)methylphosphonate (12) (1.4 g, 37%); m.p. 166.5°C (benzene). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup> 3357–3210 (NH = HNH), 1628 (C = C, vinyl), 1555 (N = N), 1445 (N-C=S), 1255 (P=O) and 1060 (P-O-C). NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.21 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}=7.1$ ,  $J_{\rm HP}=2.6$  Hz, 6H, C.CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.25 (d of q,  $J_{HH} = 7.1$ ,  $J_{HP} = 3.4$  Hz, 4H, O-CH<sub>2</sub>), 7.35–7.68 (m, 4H, arom.), 9.55, 10.53, 11.13  $(3*s, 3*1H, H-N-H, NH); \delta c 17.3 (d, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 59.6 (d,$  $OCH_2$ ), 78.8 (d,  ${}^{I}J_{cp} = 210 \text{ Hz}$ , = C-P), 158.2 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{cp}$ = 8 Hz, C=CP), 194.5 (d, C=S);  $\delta p = 15.4$  ppm. MS: m/z (%) = 380 (18) [M<sup>+</sup>], 347 (22) [M<sup>+</sup> - 33, SH], 321 (25) [M<sup>+</sup> – 59, HCNCS], 276 (100) [(M<sup>+</sup> -59) -45,  $C_{2}H_{5}O^{+}$ ].

C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>17</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub>PS (380.4) Calcd.: C, 47.36; H, 4.5; N, 14.73; P, 8.14; S, 8.43. Found: C, 47.42; H, 4.43; N, 14.64; P, 8.18; S, 8.51.

The second fraction (4:6, v/v) yielded straw yellow crystals of diethyl 2',3'-dihydroindole[3',2'-b](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene)cyanomethylphosphonate (14) (450 mg, 13%), m.p. 183.5°C (acetone). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3330 (NH, 14A), 2224 (CN) 1250 (P = O), 1062 (P-O-C). NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.25, 1.32 (2\* d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 6.8,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.5 Hz, 2\*6 H, 2\*C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.13, 4.18 (2\* d of q,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 6.8,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 3.8 Hz, 2\* 4H, 2\*-OCH<sub>2</sub>), 5.25 (d,  ${}^2J_{\rm HP}$  = 22.7 Hz, 1H, CH-P, 14B), 7.35–7.82 (m, 2\* 4H, arom.), 10.35 (s, 1H, NH, 14A);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  17.8, 18.6 (2\*d, 2\* C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 53.6 (d,  ${}^4J_{\rm cp}$  = 183.4 Hz, H-C-P, 14B), 60.2, 62.4 (2\*d, 2\*OCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.6 (d,  $J_{\rm cp}$  = 213 Hz, = C-P, 14A), 158.8 (d, C=C-P, 14B),  $\delta_{\rm p}$  = 14.6 and 15.3 ppm. MS: m/z (%) = 346 (60) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{15}H_{15}N_{14}O_4P$  (346.3) Calcd.: C, 52.03; H, 4.37; N, 16.18; P, 8.94. Found: C, 52.12; H, 4.32; N, 16.09; P, 9.12.

Reaction of Acenaphthenequinonemonohydrazone (15) with Phosphono-Substituted 1,3-Dithietane 1

The reaction between the hydrazone 15 [27] (2 g, 0.01 mol) and the dithietane 1 (2.2 g, 5 mmol) in absolute ethyl alcohol (50 mL) was carried out, and the product mixture was worked up according to the described procedure for the substrate 7. The pink material that precipitated was collected (220 mg, 12%) and recrystallized from benzene and proved to be acenaphthenequinone ketazine 17 (m.p. and mixed m.p.s 295°C) [19].

The filtrate was subjected to column chromatog-

raphy on silica gel. Elution with n-hexane-chloroform (3:7, v/v) yielded diethyl 2-thiocarbamoyl (1',2'-dihydro'-acenaphthene)[2',1'-a](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene)methylphosphonate (16) (2.4 g, 56%), m.p. 233°C (ethyl acetate). IR (KBr) cm $^{-1}$ : 3445–3350 (H–N–H), 1637 (C=C, exocyclic), 1580 (N=N), 1448 (N–C=S), 1245 (P=O), 1062 (P–O–C). NMR (CDCl $_3$ ):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.23 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.4,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.6 Hz, 6H, –C–CH $_3$ ), 4.27 (d of q,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.4,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 3.5 Hz, 4H, –O–CH $_2$ ), 7.53–8.14 (m, 6H, arom.), 9.42, 10.67 (2\*s, 2\*H, H-N-H);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  15.8 (d, C-CH $_3$ ), 63.8 (d, OCH $_2$ ), 73.6 (d,  $^IJ_{\rm cp}$  = 210 Hz, = C–P), 156.7 (d,  $^2J_{\rm cp}$  = 8 Hz, C=C–P), 191.7 (d, C=S);  $\delta_{\rm P}$  = 13.3 ppm. MS: m/z (%) = 415 (33) [M $^+$ ], 382 (37) [M $^+$  — 33, SH], 356 (28) [M $^+$  — 59, HNCS], 311 (100) [(M $^+$  — 59) — 45, C $_2$ H $_5$ O $^+$ ].

C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>18</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>PS (415.42) Calcd: C, 54.93; H, 4.37; N, 10.11; P, 7.45; S, 7.72. Found: C, 54.87; H, 4.3; N, 10.02; P, 7.52; S, 7.68.

Reaction of 3,5-Di-tert-butyl-1,2-benzoquinone-1-monohydrazone (18) with Phosphono-Substituted 1,3-dithietane 1.

A mixture of 1 (2.2 g, 5 mmol) and the freshly prepared hydrazone 18 [21] (2.3 g, 0.01 mol), from equivalent amounts of the parent quinone and hydrazine hydrate, in ethyl alcohol (50 mL) was heated under reflux for 6 hours. The product mixture was evaporated to dryness and then added to a column previously charged with silica gel suspended in light petroleum ether. The column was developed with cyclohexane containing increasing amounts of ethyl acetate. The fraction (9:1 v/v) afforded yellow crystals of diethyl (6,8-di-tert-butyl-9,10-dihydrobenzo)[a](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene)cyanomethylphosphonate (20) (2.6 g, ~64%), m.p. 108°C (cyclohexane). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 2218 (CN), 1630 (C = C, vinyl), 1265 (P = O), 1050 (P - O - C). NMR $(CDCl_3)$ :  $\delta_H$  1.22 (d of t,  $J_{HH} = 7.2$ ,  $J_{HP} = 2.5$  Hz, 6H, C.CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.36, 1.51 [2\*s, 2\*9H, C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>], 4.33 (d of q,  $J_{\text{HH}} = 7.2, J_{\text{HP}} = 3.7 \text{ Hz}, 4\text{H}, \text{OCH}_2), 6.23, 6.99 (2*d,$  $J_{\rm HH} = 4.2 \text{ Hz}, 2*H, 2H, \text{ arom.}), \delta c: 17.4 (d, C-CH_3),$ 31.4, 32.2 [2\*d, 2\*C (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>], 34.5, 35.5 [2\* C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>], 58.6 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 68.6 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{cp} = 215 \text{ Hz}$ , = C-P), 118.5 (CN), 150.8 (d,  ${}^2J_{cp} = 8$  Hz, C = C-P);  $\delta p = 13.7$  ppm. MS: *m/z* (%) 419 (66) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{21}H_{30}N_3O_4P$  (419.5) Calcd.: C, 60.12; H, 7.21; N, 10.02; P, 7.38. Found: C, 60.04; H, 7.11; N, 9.91; P, 7.44.

Reaction of 1,3-Indandione-2-hydrazone (21) with Phosphono-Substituted 1,3-dithietane 1

A stirred mixture of 1 (2.2 g, 5 mmol) and the hydrazone 21 [14] (1.7 g, 0.01 mol) in ethyl alcohol (50

mL) was heated under reflux for 4 hours and then column chromatographed on silica gel (light petroleum ether-ethyl acetate). The fraction (8:2, v/v) yielded yellow crystals of diethyl 2-imino-3H-4thioxo(11,12-dihydroindan-10-one)[12,11-a](5,13,1oxadiazole)[13,1-b](1,13-pyrazole-3-yl)phosphonate (24) (1.9 g, 49%), m.p. 236°C (CH<sub>3</sub>CN). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3325 (NH, weak), 1685 [C-10 (O)], 1622 (C = NH), 1485 [N-C(S)], 1235 (P = O), 1060 (P-O-C)C). NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.27 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH} = 7.4$ ,  $J_{\rm HP} = 2.8$ Hz, 6H, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.18 (d of q,  $J_{HH} = 7.4$ ,  $J_{HP} = 3.8$  Hz, 4H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.8 (d of d,  $J_{HH} = 2.5$ ,  ${}^{2}J_{HP} = 18.3$  Hz, 1H, P-C-3-H), 7.26-7.73 (m, 4H, arom.), 8.22 (s, 1H, NH);  $\delta$ c 15.7 (d, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 54.5 (d,  ${}^{\prime}J_{cp} = 82.6$  Hz, H– C-P), 61.3 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 133.5, 142.2 (C-11, C-12), 158.3 (C = NH), 172.5 [C-10(O)], 193.5 [C-4(S)];  $\delta p = 14.6$ ppm. MS: m/z (%) = 393 (33) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{16}H_{16}N_3O_5PS$  (393.4) Calcd.: C, 48.85; H, 4.1; N, 10.68; P, 7.87; S, 8.15. Found: C, 48.73; H, 3.93; N, 10.57; P, 7.93; S, 8.21.

The second fraction (6:4, v/v) gave an orange substance of diethyl 2-thiocarbamoyl (1',2'-dihydroindan-3'-one)[2',1'-b](1,3,4-oxadiazin-2-ylidene) methylphosphonate (25) (148 mg, 11%), m.p. 248°C (benzene). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3320-328 (HNH), 1685 [C-3' (O)], 1635 (C = C, exocyclic), 1256 (P = O), 1045 (P-O-C). NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.24 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.2,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.8 Hz, 6H, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.23 (d of q,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.2,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 3.5 Hz, 4H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.33–7.85 (m, 4H, arom.), 9.68, 10.35 (2\*s, 2\*H, H-N-H);  $\delta_{\rm C}$  15.2 (d, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 60.3 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 82.6 (d,  ${}^{I}J_{\rm cp}$  = 196.3 Hz, = C-P), 154.5 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{\rm cp}$  = 8 Hz, C=C-P), 194.2 (d, C=S);  $\delta_{\rm P}$  = 15.4 ppm. MS: m/z (%) = 393 (22) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{16}H_{16}N_3O_5PS$  (393.4) Calcd.: C, 48.85; H, 4.1; N, 10.68; P, 7.87; S, 8.15. Found: C, 48.92; H, 4.05; N, 10.62; P, 7.91; S, 8.08.

## Reaction of 3(1-Hydrazoethyl)coumarin (26) with 1,3-Dithietane 1

A stirred mixture of the hydrazone **26** (2 g, 0.01 mol) [28] and phosphonato-reagent 1 (2.2 g, 5 mmol) in ethyl alcohol (50 mL) was heated under reflux for 18 hours. After evaporation of the solvent, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel with *n*-hexane-chloroform (7:3, v/v) as eluent to give first diethyl 5-amino-6-methyl-3-thione 6(2′-oxo-benzopyran-3′-yl) 1,2-pyridazin-4-yl-phosphonate (29) (1.55 g, 38%), m.p. 192.5°C (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>): 3340–3273 (H-N-H), 1707 (C=O, coumarinyl), 1445 (N-C=S), 1255 (P=O), 1055 (P-O-C). NMR (d<sub>6</sub>-DMSO):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.23 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 6.8,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.7 Hz, 6H, OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.89 (s, 3H, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.25 (d of q,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 6.8,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 3.8 Hz, 4H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.28–7.64 (m, 5H, arom), 9.43, 11.18 (diffused, 2\*H, H-N-H);  $\delta$ c 15.6 (d,

OC-CH<sub>3</sub>), 19.3 (C-6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 35.2 (C-6-CH<sub>3</sub>), 60.4 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 60.4 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 88.9 (d,  ${}^{I}J_{cp} = 183.7 \text{ Hz}$ , C-4-P), 156.7 (C-5-HNH), 162.8 (C=O, coumarin), 193.5 (C=S),  $\delta p = 16.3 \text{ ppm}$ . MS: m/z (%) = 421 (66) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{18}H_{20}N_3O_5PS$  (421.43) Calcd.: C, 51.3; H, 4.78; N, 9.97; P, 7.35, S, 7.6. Found: C, 51.37; H, 4.71; N, 9.86; P, 7.46; S, 7.52.

The next fraction (up to 6:4, v/v) gave yellow needles of diethyl 3-methyl (2'-oxo-3'-4'-dihydrobenzopyran)[4',3'-c](1,2-pyridazin-6-ylidene)cyanomethylphosphonate (28) (0.88 g, 23%), m.p. 133.5°C (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup>: 3345 (weak, NH, 28A), 2217(CN), 1710 (C = O, coumarinyl), 1622 (C = C, exocyclic, 28A), 1255 (P=O), 1055 (P-O-C). NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.2, 1.23 (2\* d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.3,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.8 Hz, 2\* 6H, 2\* C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 2.15, 2.18 (2\* s, 2\* 3 H, 2\* -CH<sub>3</sub>, A, B), 4.22, 4.31 (2\* d of q,  $J_{HH} = 7.3$ ,  $J_{HP} = 3.5$ Hz, 2\*4H,  $2*OCH_2$ ), 5.26 (d,  ${}^2J_{HP} = 21.4$  Hz, 1H, HC-P, 28B), 7.27-7.88 (m, 2\* 4H, arom.), 8.55 (br., 1H, NH, 28B), δc: 17.6, 18.3 (2\*d, 2\* OC.CH<sub>3</sub>), 23.7, 25.5 (2\*C-3, 2\*-CH<sub>3</sub>), 60.8, 62.4 (2\* d, 2\* OCH<sub>2</sub>), 73.2 (d,  ${}^{1}J_{cp} = 183 \text{ Hz}, \text{ HC-P, 28B}), 85.5 (d, {}^{1}J_{cp} = 208 \text{ Hz},$ C=P, 28A), 117.3, 119.5 (2\*-C-CN), 160.3, 161.7 (2\*C=O);  $\delta p = 11.5$  and 13.8 (A & B). MS: m/z (%)  $= 387 (33) [M^+].$ 

 $C_{18}H_{18}N_3O_5P$  (387.3) Calcd.: C, 55.82; H, 4.68; N, 10.85; P, 7.99. Found: C, 55.73; H, 4.57; N, 10.77; P, 8.03.

## Reaction of Anthranilonitrile (30) with 1,3-Dithietane 1

A stirred mixture of compound 30 (1.2 g, 0.01 mol) and phosphenato reagent 1 (1.75 g, 4 mmol) was refluxed in ethyl alcohol for 12 hours. The procedure and the workup were the same as described for the hydrazones, whereby elution with cyclohexane-ethyl acetate (8:2, v/v) afforded diethyl 4-imino-(3,1-benzothiazin-2-yl)cyanomethylphosphonate (34) (1g, 30%) as yellow crystals, m.p. 116°C (ether). IR (KBr)  $cm^{-1}$ : 3155 (weak, = NH), 2190 (CN), 1660 (C = NH), 1405 (N = C-S), 1260 (P = O) and 1050 (P-O-C). NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.24 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.4,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.7 Hz, 6H, C.CH<sub>3</sub>) 4.24 (d of q,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.4,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 3.6 Hz, 4H,  $OCH_2$ ), 5.17 (d,  ${}^2J_{HP} = 20.5$  Hz, 1H, H-C-P), 7.25–7.83 (m, 4H, arom.), 8.43 (s, 1H, = NH);  $\delta$ c: 16.2 (d, C- $CH_3$ ), 47.6 (d,  ${}^{I}J_{cp} = 126 \text{ Hz}$ , H-C-P), 62.3 (d, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 118.7 (CN), 124.8 (d,  ${}^{2}J_{cp} = 8.8$  Hz, N-C-S) 146.6 (C = NH),  $\delta p = 15.7$  ppm. MS: m/z (%) 337 (28) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{14}H_{16}N_3O_3PS$  (337.35) Calcd. C, 49.84; H, 4.78; N, 12.46; P, 9.18; S, 9.51. Found: C, 49.77; H, 4.72; N, 12.35; P, 9.24; S, 9.42.

Elution with cyclohexane-ethyl acetate (7:3, v/v) yielded diethyl 2-cyano 1,1-di-(*N,N-o*-nitrilopheny-

lamine)ethylene-2-phosphonate (33) (0.7 g, 33%) as yellow crystals, m.p. 187.5°C (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>). IR (KBr) cm<sup>-1</sup> 3420–3350 (br., 2NH); 2222, 2212, 1996 (3 CN), 1618 (C=C, exocyclic), 1255 (P=O), 1058 (P-O-C). NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta_{\rm H}$  1.22 (d of t,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.3,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 2.7 Hz, 6H, C-CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.23 (d of q,  $J_{\rm HH}$  = 7.3,  $J_{\rm HP}$  = 3.5 Hz, 4H, OCH<sub>2</sub>), 7.32–8.2 (m, 8H, arom.), 8.75, 9.13 (2\*s, br., 2\*H, 2\*-NH);  $\delta_{\rm P}$  = 12.6 ppm. MS: m/z (%) = 421 (38) [M<sup>+</sup>].

 $C_{21}H_{20}N_5O_3P$  (421.4) Calcd.: C, 59.85; H, 4.78; N, 16.62; P, 7.35. Found: C, 59.93; H, 4.67; N, 4.67; P, 7.43.

In the next fractions, several unidentified polymeric products with m.p. greater than 340°C were eluted.

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