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The X-ray analyses of sterically protected *Z*-2-*t*-butyldimethylsilyloxy-2-phenylphosphaethylene (*Z*-2) and 3,3-diphenyl-1-phosphaallene (**3**) were carried out and the structures of the parent compounds, $\text{HP}=\text{CH}_2$ and $\text{HP}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$, were optimized by *ab initio* methods.

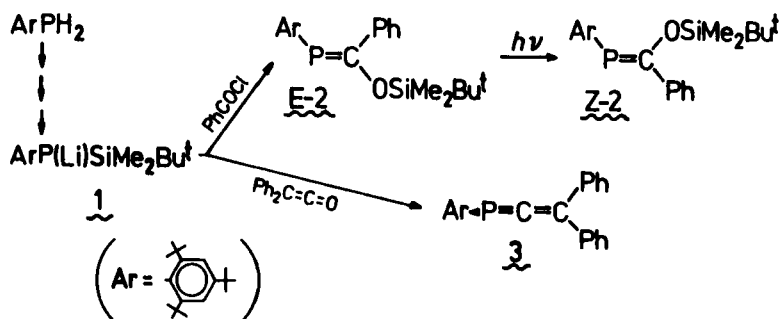
INTRODUCTION

Organophosphorus compounds in lower coordination states are of current interest because of their unusual structure and reactivity.

Starting from lithium *t*-butyldimethylsilyl-2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenylphosphide (**1**) we have been successful in the preparation of such unusual organophosphorus compounds as sterically protected *E*- and *Z*-2-*t*-butyldimethylsilyloxy-2-phenyl-1-(2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenyl)phosphaethylenes (**2**),¹ 3,3-diphenyl-1-(2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenyl)-1-phosphaallene (**3**),² *N*-phenyl-*P*-(2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenyl)iminomethylenephosphine (**4**),² and 1,3-bis(2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenyl)-1,3-diphosphaallene.³

We have been interested in the structures of $\text{P}=\text{C}$ and $\text{P}=\text{C}=\text{C}$ groups because of the expected unusual bonding nature involving $3p\pi$ - $2p\pi$ contributions.⁴ We now describe here the X-ray structures of *Z*-2 and **3** and the calculational results for the parent compounds.

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SCHEME 1

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The X-ray analyses of compounds **Z-2** (Figure 1) and **3** (Figure 2) were as follows.⁵

The P—C(1) bond distance of **Z-2** (1.687(5) Å) is longer by 0.02 Å than the sum of the covalent bond radii (1.667 Å). The double-bond system (P, C(1), C(2), C(14), and O) has a distorted planar conformation with deviation (0.05 Å) from the least-squares plane and the dihedral angles of C(14)—P—C(1)—O = −3.7(7)° and C(14)—P—C(1)—C(2) = −175.2(6)° because of the repulsion forces between bulky groups at the C(1) and P atoms. This plane makes angles of 54.8° and 80.3° with the trans-oriented benzene rings bonded to the C(1) and P atoms, respectively. Some selected bond distances and angles for **Z-2** are listed in Table I.

The P—C(1) bond distance of **3** is 1.625(4) Å, which is 0.062 Å shorter than that in **Z-2**. The P—C(1)—C(2) bond angle is 168.0(3)° and deviates by 12° from 180°. The C(1), (C2), (C3), and C(9) atoms are coplanar within 0.01 Å; the P atom deviates by 0.35 Å from this plane. The interplanar angle between this plane and the plane defined by the P, C(1), C(2), and C(15) atoms (deviation 0.02 Å) is 87.2°. The dihedral angle C(1)—P—C(15)—C(2) is −100.9(7)°. Some selected bond distances and angles for **3** are listed in Table II.

Furthermore, the benzene rings of the 2,4,6-tri-*t*-butyl-phenyl groups in both compounds (**Z-2** and **3**) are distorted to boat forms as have been observed in compounds containing the Ar—P group.⁶

Figure 3 shows the results of *ab initio* calculations on the parent compounds, HP=CH₂⁷ and HP=C=CH₂, at the 6-31G* level.⁸ The calculated structures are in good accord with those obtained by the X-ray analyses of the very bulky molecules (**Z-2** and **3**). It should be noted that the P=C parts of both compounds resemble each other and that the C=C in phosphaalene is almost the same as that of allene itself. The bent P=C=C bond appears to be caused not only by steric repulsion but also by electronic effects; however, the theoretical reason for this is not clear.

EXPERIMENTAL

Materials. Starting from lithium *t*-butyldimethylsilyl-2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenylphosphide (**1**) *Z*-2-*t*-butyldimethylsilyloxy-2-phenyl-1-(2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenyl)phosphaethylene (**Z-2**)¹ and 3,3-diphenyl-1-(2,4,6-tri-*t*-butylphenyl)-1-phosphaallene (**3**),^{2,9} were prepared as described previously.

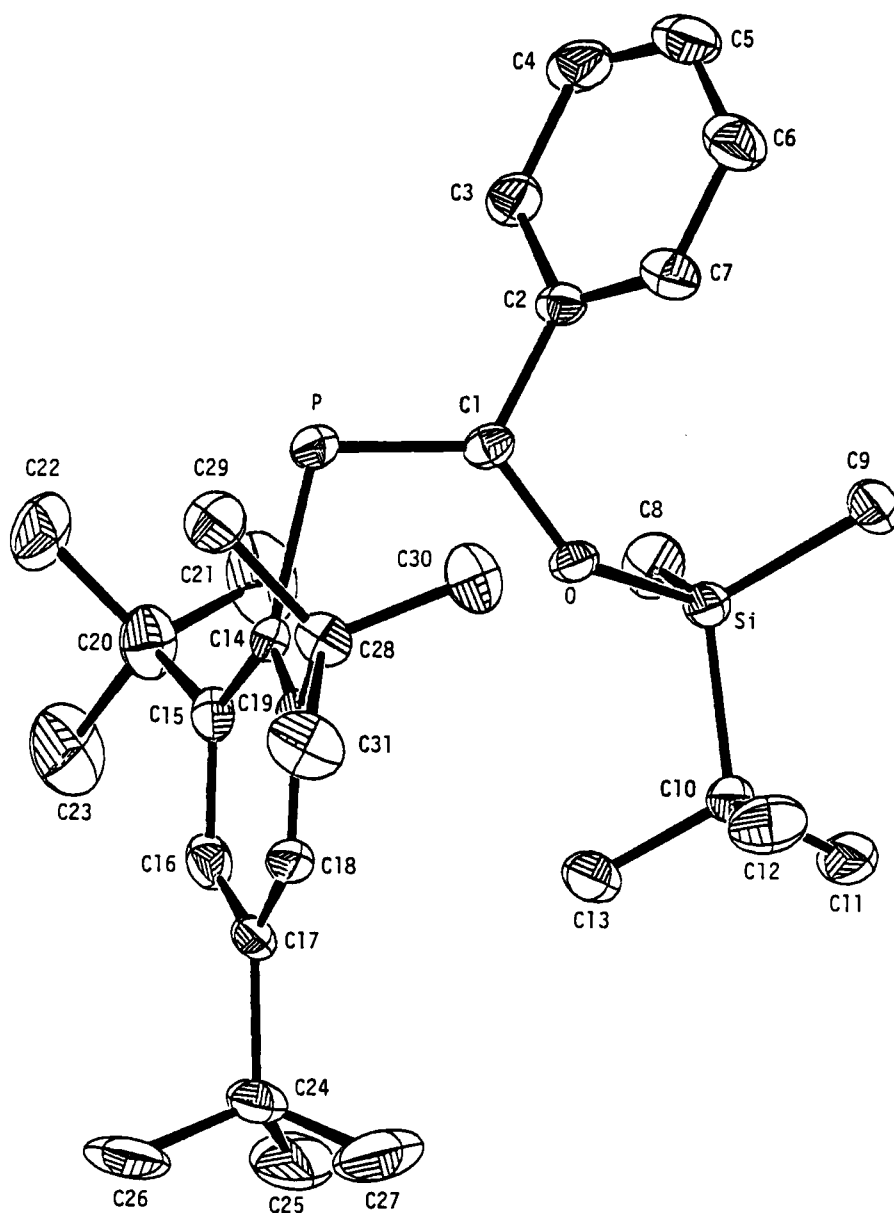


FIGURE 1 X-Ray structure of Z-2 in the crystal.

X-Ray crystallographic and refinement data for Z-2. Crystallographic data of Z-2 (recrystallized from pentane): $C_{31}H_{49}OSiP$, monoclinic, space group $P2_1/n$, $a = 27.832(8)$, $b = 11.298(2)$, $c = 10.257(2)$ Å, $\beta = 100.18(2)^\circ$, $Z = 4$, $\rho_c = 1.039$ g · cm $^{-3}$, Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.7107$ Å. 4680 Reflections with $2\theta \leq 46^\circ$ were recorded. The structure was solved by MULTAN.¹⁰ Full-matrix least-squares refinement with anisotropic temperature factors for non-hydrogen atoms and isotropic hydrogens converged to R value ($= \Sigma(|F_o| - |F_c|)/\Sigma|F_o|$) of 0.04 for 2261 reflections with $I > 3\sigma(I)$.¹¹ Fractional coordinates of the non-hydrogen atoms for Z-2 are listed in Table III.

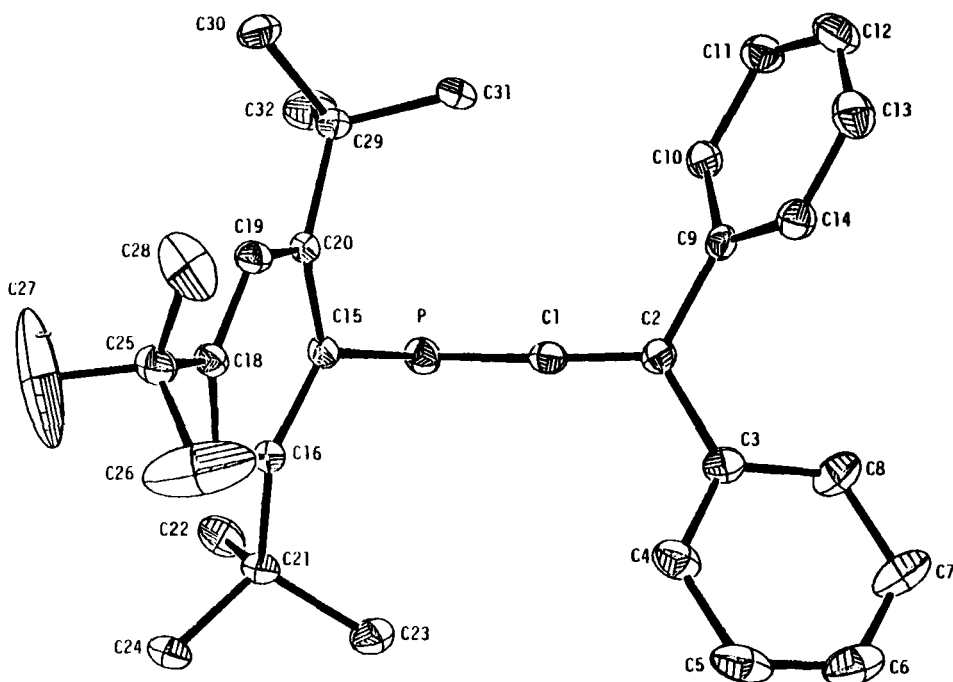
FIGURE 2 X-Ray structure of **3** in the crystal.

TABLE I

Some selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for **Z-2**

P—C(1)	1.687(5)
P—C(14)	1.861(5)
∠C(1)—P—C(14)	103.9(2)
∠P—C(1)—O	126.3(4)
∠P—C(1)—C(2)	117.3(4)
∠C(2)—C(1)—O	116.0(4)

TABLE II

Some selected bond distances (Å) and angles (°) for **3**

P—C(1)	1.625(4)
P—C(15)	1.864(3)
C(1)—C(2)	1.327(5)
C(2)—C(3)	1.494(5)
C(2)—C(9)	1.485(5)
∠C(1)—P—C(15)	103.6(2)
∠P—C(1)—C(2)	168.0(3)
∠C(1)—C(2)—C(3)	119.9(3)
∠C(1)—C(2)—C(9)	121.8(3)

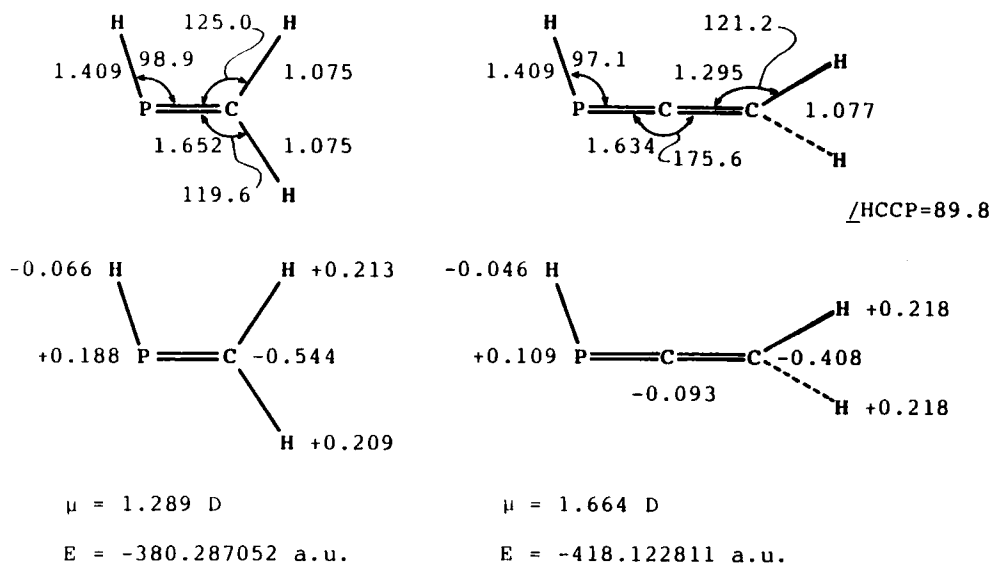


FIGURE 3 6-31G* Optimized structures (Å and degrees), charge densities, dipole moments (μ in D), and total energies (E in a.u.) of $\text{HP}=\text{CH}_2$ and $\text{HP}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$.

X-Ray crystallographic and refinement data for 3. Crystallographic data of **3** (recrystallized from pentane): $\text{C}_{32}\text{H}_{39}\text{P}$, space group $P2_1/n$, $a = 14.566(1)$, $b = 17.295(1)$, $c = 10.975(1)$ Å, $\beta = 90.07(1)^\circ$, $Z = 4$, $\rho_c = 1.092$ g · cm $^{-3}$, Mo $K\alpha$ radiation, $\lambda = 0.7107$ Å. 4042 Reflections with $2\theta \leq 46^\circ$ were recorded. Structure determination and refinement by use of the same procedure as that for **Z-2**, $R = 0.055$ for 2583 reflections with $I > 3\sigma(I)$. Fractional coordinates of the non-hydrogen atoms for **3** are listed in Table IV.

ab initio Calculations. The structures of $\text{HP}=\text{CH}_2$ and $\text{HP}=\text{C}=\text{CH}_2$ were optimized by the *ab initio* method at the 6-31G* level using the GAUSSIAN 80 program.¹²

TABLE III

Fractional atomic coordinates of non-hydrogen atoms with standard deviations in parentheses for **Z-2**

Atom	X	Y	Z	Atom	X	Y	Z
P	0.4139(1)	0.0978(1)	0.1766(1)	C15	0.3153(2)	0.1635(5)	0.0769(5)
Si	0.4314(1)	0.4683(1)	0.2424(1)	C16	0.2810(2)	0.2217(5)	-0.0154(6)
O	0.4324(1)	0.3341(3)	0.1717(3)	C17	0.2900(2)	0.2591(5)	-0.1368(5)
C1	0.4434(2)	0.2251(4)	0.2248(4)	C18	0.3337(2)	0.2249(5)	-0.1714(5)
C2	0.4899(2)	0.2162(4)	0.3231(5)	C19	0.3703(2)	0.1661(4)	-0.0849(5)
C3	0.4909(2)	0.1601(5)	0.4447(5)	C20	0.2985(2)	0.1183(6)	0.2053(6)
C4	0.5359(3)	0.1474(5)	0.5299(6)	C21	0.3211(3)	0.1918(8)	0.3255(7)
C5	0.5772(2)	0.1893(6)	0.4957(7)	C22	0.3100(3)	-0.0127(7)	0.2243(7)
C6	0.5769(2)	0.2452(6)	0.3763(6)	C23	0.2428(3)	0.1287(9)	0.1963(8)
C7	0.5329(2)	0.2573(5)	0.2905(5)	C24	0.2523(2)	0.3299(6)	-0.2350(7)
C8	0.4012(2)	0.4568(6)	0.3900(6)	C25	0.2226(3)	0.4123(8)	-0.162(1)
C9	0.4936(2)	0.5315(5)	0.2938(6)	C26	0.2212(4)	0.2513(8)	-0.323(1)
C10	0.3956(2)	0.5592(4)	0.1068(5)	C27	0.2784(3)	0.4162(8)	-0.3164(9)
C11	0.3898(3)	0.6860(5)	0.1549(7)	C28	0.4154(2)	0.1208(5)	-0.1404(5)
C12	0.4210(3)	0.5609(7)	-0.0124(6)	C29	0.4256(2)	-0.0099(6)	-0.1051(6)
C13	0.3447(2)	0.5048(5)	0.0662(6)	C30	0.4611(2)	0.1956(6)	-0.0919(6)
C14	0.3623(2)	0.1451(4)	0.0461(5)	C31	0.4060(2)	0.1255(7)	-0.2922(6)

TABLE IV

Fractional atomic coordinates of non-hydrogen atoms with standard deviations in parentheses for **3**

Atom	X	Y	Z	Atom	X	Y	Z
P	0.5372(1)	0.2469(1)	0.1598(1)	C17	0.7890(2)	0.1408(2)	0.1190(3)
C1	0.4775(2)	0.1718(2)	0.1192(3)	C18	0.8128(2)	0.1179(2)	0.2352(3)
C2	0.4154(2)	0.1213(2)	0.0805(3)	C19	0.7600(2)	0.1477(2)	0.3293(3)
C3	0.4000(2)	0.1104(2)	-0.0531(3)	C20	0.6823(2)	0.1925(2)	0.3114(3)
C4	0.3944(2)	0.1736(2)	-0.1300(3)	C21	0.7038(2)	0.2154(2)	-0.0411(3)
C5	0.3801(3)	0.1635(2)	-0.2538(3)	C22	0.6713(3)	0.2988(3)	-0.0468(4)
C6	0.3708(3)	0.0909(3)	-0.2993(3)	C23	0.6399(3)	0.1629(3)	-0.1123(3)
C7	0.3767(3)	0.0273(2)	-0.2245(4)	C24	0.7965(3)	0.2146(3)	-0.1076(3)
C8	0.3905(3)	0.0370(2)	-0.1011(3)	C25	0.8962(2)	0.0669(2)	0.2595(3)
C9	0.3583(2)	0.0758(2)	0.1666(3)	C26	0.9265(4)	0.0217(3)	0.1506(5)
C10	0.3912(3)	0.0503(2)	0.2764(3)	C27	0.9677(5)	0.1082(4)	0.311(1)
C11	0.3326(4)	0.0088(2)	0.3571(4)	C28	0.8721(5)	0.0025(5)	0.3477(7)
C12	0.2441(4)	-0.0062(3)	0.3207(4)	C29	0.6343(2)	0.2277(2)	0.4253(3)
C13	0.2114(3)	0.0172(3)	0.2144(4)	C30	0.6953(3)	0.2219(2)	0.5393(3)
C14	0.2680(3)	0.0584(2)	0.1370(4)	C31	0.5443(3)	0.1860(2)	0.4544(3)
C15	0.6539(2)	0.2067(2)	0.1890(3)	C32	0.6183(3)	0.3144(2)	0.4066(3)
C16	0.7138(2)	0.1871(2)	0.0923(3)				

Supplementary material available. Fractional coordinates and isotropic thermal parameters with standard deviations and interatomic distances and angles for **Z-2** and **3** are available on request from the Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre, University Chemical Laboratory, Lensfield Road, Cambridge, CB2 1EW (Requests require full literature citation of this paper).

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