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Acid-base properties of phosphoranes (Ia,b) were studied.

New type of acid-base interactions was established. It was determined that in these compounds the proton transition is accompanied by the cyclisation. Therefore, the acidity of phosphoranes increases (pKa(CH3NO2)=IO,5); it is comparable with the acidity of substituted acetic acids. The neutralisation equation of phosphoranes can be presented in general form: AH + B = A- + HB+(1), where AH is phosphorane (I) (a weak pseudo acid), A- is phosphorate anion (II) (an anion of a true acid which existed only in its salts). In the case of strong bases the equilibrium (1) is completely shifted to the right, but in the case of the weak bases it is strongly dependent of the solvent.