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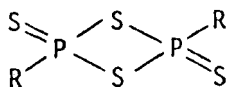
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1,3,2,4-Dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides **I<sub>a</sub>** and **I<sub>b</sub>** react with **II<sub>a,b</sub>** and **III** to give cyclic compounds **IV<sub>a,b,c,d</sub>** and **V<sub>a,b</sub>**, respectively. The given structures were based upon analytical, chemical and spectroscopic results.

**Key words:** Oxadiazole; thiadiazole; triazole; Lawesson and Japanese reagents.

The antitubercular,<sup>1</sup> antiviral,<sup>2</sup> antifungal,<sup>3</sup> carcinostatic,<sup>4</sup> hypoglycemic<sup>5</sup> properties exhibited by oxa- and thiadiazole derivatives have made them important chemotherapeutic agents. Also 1,2,4-triazole derivatives are known as biologically active materials<sup>6,7</sup> besides having many other uses and applications.<sup>8,9</sup> In our present investigation we synthesized new derivatives of these compounds which might be expected to possess high biological activities.

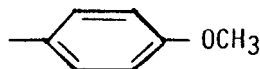
It has been found that 2,4-bis(4-methoxyphenyl)-1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane 2,4-disulfide, LR (Lawesson reagent) **I<sub>a</sub>** and 2,4-bis(phenyl thio)-1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane, 2,4-disulfide JR (Japanese reagent) **I<sub>b</sub>** are potent thiating agents for diverse carbonyl compounds e.g., ketones,<sup>10</sup> esters<sup>11</sup> and lactams.<sup>12</sup>



**I**

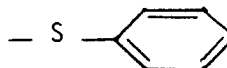
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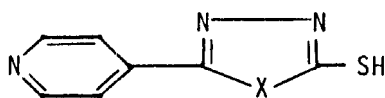
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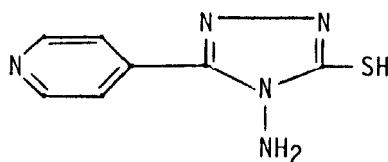
The reagents **I<sub>a</sub>** and **I<sub>b</sub>** are easily available and undergo also ring-closure reactions with substrates containing two functional groups.<sup>13–16</sup>

To extend the use of **I<sub>a,b</sub>** to other bifunctional substrates, its reactions with 2-mercapto-5(4-pyridyl)-1,3,4-oxadiazole **II<sub>a</sub>**, 2-mercapto-5(4-pyridyl)-1,3,4-thiadiazole **II<sub>b</sub>** and 3-mercapto-4-amino-5(4-pyridyl)-1,2,4-triazole **III**, have been investigated and found to give new phosphorus heterocycles. Our results are reported in this paper.



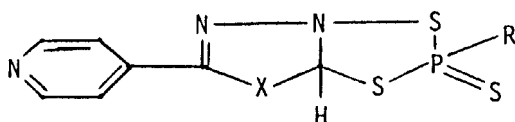
II a,  $X = O$

b,  $X = S$



III

The reaction of **I<sub>a</sub>** (or **I<sub>b</sub>**) with **II<sub>a</sub>** and **II<sub>b</sub>** proceed in anhydrous toluene (or in dry tetrahydrofuran, THF) to yield cyclic structures **IV<sub>a</sub>**, **IV<sub>b</sub>**, **IV<sub>c</sub>** and **IV<sub>d</sub>**, respectively,<sup>11-15</sup> which were confirmed by elemental analyses, molecular weight determination MS, IR, <sup>1</sup>H-NMR and <sup>31</sup>P-NMR spectra (Tables I and II).



IV a,  $X = O$ ,  $R =$

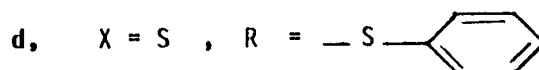
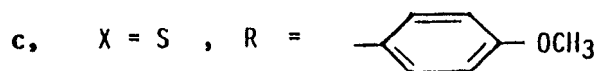
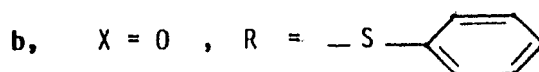
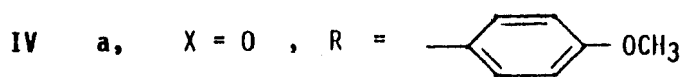
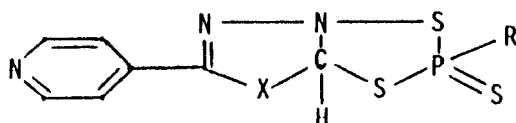
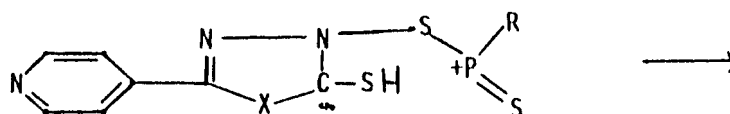
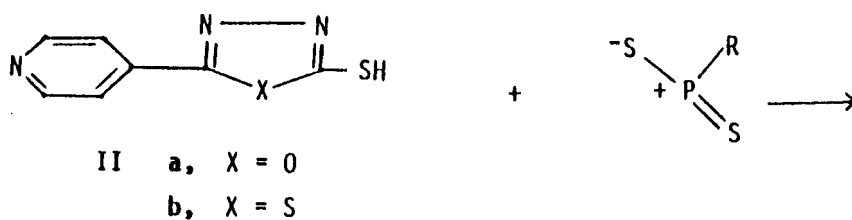
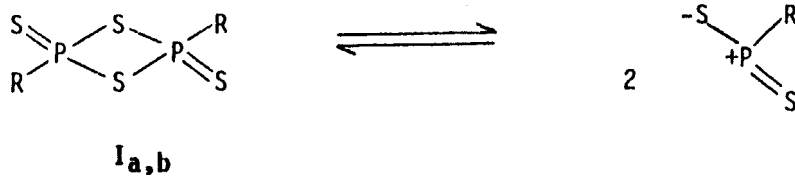
b,  $X = O$ ,  $R =$

c,  $X = S$ ,  $R =$

d,  $X = S$ ,  $R =$

A possible explanation of the reaction **I<sub>a,b</sub>** with **II<sub>a,b</sub>** is illustrated in "Scheme A".

Taking **IV<sub>d</sub>** as example, its elemental analyses corresponded to  $C_{13}H_{10}N_3S_5P$ , the IR spectrum showed absorption bands at  $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to , at  $1640\text{--}1560\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to  $C=N$  vibration, at  $710\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to  $C-S-C$  and the spectrum however showed strong absorption bands in the region  $1600\text{--}1500\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to aromatic  $C=C$  stretching vibrations. The NMR spectrum of **IV<sub>d</sub>** showed signals at  $\delta\ 2.7\text{ ppm}$  (1H, CH) and the aromatic protons gave multiplet at  $\delta\ 7.7\text{--}8.8\text{ ppm}$  region (9H, multiplet). In <sup>31</sup>P-NMR spectrum there is a singlet at  $\delta\ 80\text{ ppm}$ , the MS spectrum showed  $m/e\ 399\ (M^+)$ .

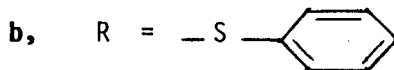
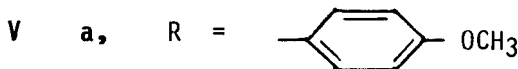
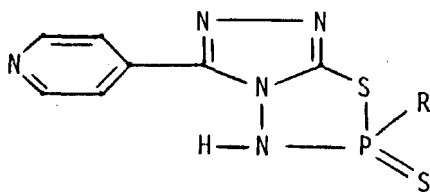


▪ Scheme A ▪

TABLE I  
Physical constants of analytical data of new compounds

Compound	Reaction time (hrs)	Solvent of crystallization	Yield %	M.P. °C	Formula mol. wt.	Analysis calc. / found				
						C	H	N	S	P
IV <sub>a</sub>	3	Ethanol	70	171	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>3</sub> S <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>2</sub>	44.10	3.15	11.02	25.20	8.14
					381	43.95	3.09	10.97	25.00	8.03
IV <sub>b</sub>	3	Ethanol	65	190	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>3</sub> S <sub>4</sub> PO	40.73	2.61	10.97	33.42	8.09
					383	40.67	2.60	10.92	33.50	8.12
IV <sub>c</sub>	1	Ethanol	75	298	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>3</sub> S <sub>4</sub> PO	42.32	3.02	10.58	32.25	7.81
					397	42.43	3.26	10.52	32.19	7.79
IV <sub>d</sub>	1	Ethanol	70	292	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>3</sub> S <sub>5</sub> P	39.10	2.50	10.53	40.10	7.77
					399	38.83	2.41	10.26	39.90	7.60
V <sub>a</sub>	3½	Toluene	75	172	C <sub>14</sub> H <sub>12</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>2</sub> PO	46.54	3.32	19.39	17.73	8.59
					361	46.58	3.34	19.40	17.69	8.52
V <sub>b</sub>	1½	Toluene	70	125	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>10</sub> N <sub>5</sub> S <sub>3</sub> P	42.98	2.76	19.28	26.45	8.54
					363	43.00	2.77	19.26	26.38	8.50

Also, **I**<sub>a,b</sub> reacted with **III** proceed in anhydrous toluene or dry THF to give the adducts **V**<sub>a,b</sub>.<sup>17</sup>



A possible explanation of the reaction of **I**<sub>a,b</sub> with **III** is illustrated in "Scheme B".

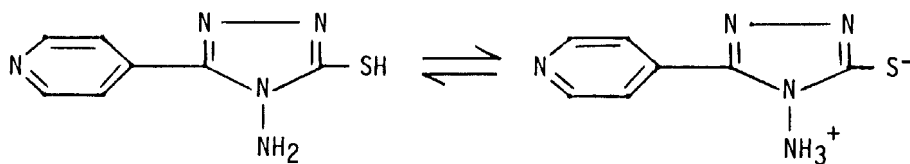
The structures **V**<sub>a</sub> and **V**<sub>b</sub> were confirmed by elemental analyses (Table I) molecular weight determination (MS), IR and <sup>1</sup>H-NMR. Taking **V**<sub>a</sub> as example, its

TABLE II  
 Spectra data of the new compounds

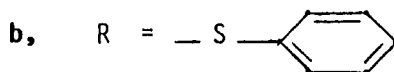
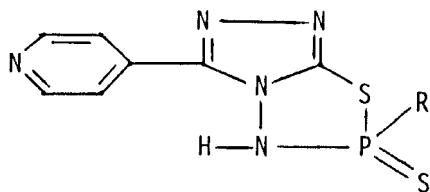
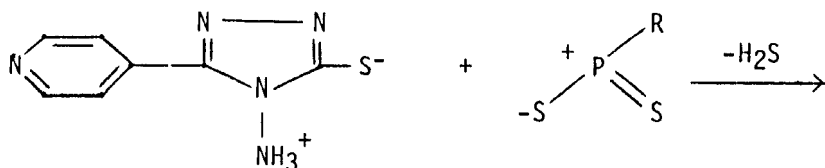
Compound	I.R. ( $\text{cm}^{-1}$ )	$^1\text{H-NMR}$ (ppm)
IV <sub>a</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$	
	640 (C-O-C)	2.8 (1H, CH, s)
	1050 (C=N)	7.7-8.5 (8H, aromatic protons)
	1540 (C=C)	3.7 (3, OCH <sub>3</sub> , S)
IV <sub>b</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$	
	650 (C-O-C)	2.7 (1H, CH, s)
	1080 (C=N)	7.9-8.7 (9H, aromatic protons)
	1550 (C=C)	
IV <sub>c</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$	
	645 (C-S-C)	3.8 (1H, CH, s)
	710 (C=N)	2.75 (1H, CH)
	1540 (C=C)	8.1-8.7 (8H, aromatic protons)
IV <sub>d</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$	
	650 (C-S-C)	2.7 (1H, CH)
	710 (C=N)	7.7-8.8 (9H, aromatic protons)
	1560 (C=C)	
V <sub>a</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$	
	650 (C=N)	3.9 (3H, OCH <sub>3</sub> , S)
	1560 (C=C)	9.5 (1H, NH, exchangeable with D <sub>2</sub> O)
	1600 (NH)	7.9-8.8 (8H, aromatic protons)
V <sub>b</sub>	$\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$	
	645 (C=N)	9.3 (1H, NH, s, exchangeable with D <sub>2</sub> O)
	1550 (C=C)	8.1-8.7 (9H, aromatic protons)
	1610 (NH)	

elemental analyses corresponded to  $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}_5\text{S}_2\text{PO}$ , IR spectrum lacked to SH group absorption which is recorded in the spectrum of **III**, it however showed strong absorption bands in the region  $1600\text{-}1500\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to the aromatic  $\text{C}=\text{C}$

stretching vibrations and showed absorption bands at  $650\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to  $\begin{array}{c} \text{S} \\ \diagdown \\ \text{P}=\text{S} \end{array}$ , at  $1640\text{-}1560\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to  $\text{C}=\text{N}$  vibration and at  $3100\text{ cm}^{-1}$  due to NH. The NMR spectrum of V<sub>a</sub> (in DMSO) showed signals at  $\delta$  3.9 ppm (3H, OCH<sub>3</sub>, s), at  $\delta$  9.5 ppm (1H, NH, s) which disappeared when deuterated and showed multiplet at  $\delta$  7.9-8.8 ppm region (8H) due to the aromatic protons. The MS spectrum showed  $m/e$  361 ( $\text{M}^+$ ).



III



" Scheme B "

## EXPERIMENTAL

All melting points were uncorrected. Tetrahydrofuran THF and toluene dried over sodium. The reagents **I<sub>a</sub>** and **I<sub>b</sub>** were prepared according to established procedure.<sup>10,15,17,18</sup> The IR spectrum (run in KBr and expressed in  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ) were recorded with Beckman infrared Model 4220 and  $^1\text{H-NMR}$  spectra were measured in  $\text{DMSO-d}_6$  and expressed in  $\delta$  scale at 60 or 90 MHz on a varian instrument using TMS as an internal standard. The MS spectra were performed at 70 eV using a varian MAT 112 Mass Spectrometer.

*General procedure for the reaction of **II<sub>a,b</sub>** and **III** with **I<sub>a</sub>**.* 0.01 mole of the starting compound and 0.01 mole of **I<sub>a</sub>** was refluxed in 10 ml of anhydrous toluene at  $110^\circ\text{C}$  with stirring until no more of the starting material could be detected (TLC). After cooling to room temperature the excess of **I<sub>a</sub>** was filtered off. Then the reaction mixture was evaporated on silica gel column arising ether/light petroleum as eluant. The physical data are summarized in Table I.

*General Procedure for the Reaction of **II<sub>a,b</sub>** and **III** with **I<sub>b</sub>**.* 0.01 mole of the starting compound and 0.01 mole of **I<sub>b</sub>** was heated in 10 ml of anhydrous THF at  $35^\circ\text{C}$  with stirring until no more of the starting material could be detected (TLC). After cooling to room temperature the excess of **I<sub>b</sub>** was filtered off.

Then the reaction mixture was evaporated on silica gel column using benzene/hexane (4) as eluant. The physical data are summarized in Table I.

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