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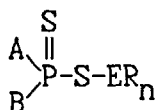
## SYNTHESIS AND PROPERTIES OF MIXED ORGANIC DERIVATIVES OF ELEMENTS OF III, IV and V GROUPS AND PHOSPHORUS (IV) THIOACIDS

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**Abstract** New convenient methods of synthesizing useful mixed organic derivatives of B, Si, Ge, Sn, Pb, As and phosphorus (IV) thioacids with a P(S)S-E fragment were developed. Their spectral, structural and chemical properties were studied.

### INTRODUCTION

Organoelement derivatives of phosphorus (IV) thioacids with the general formula



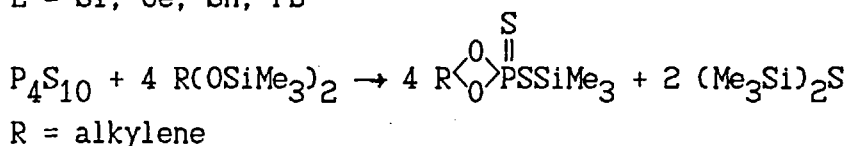
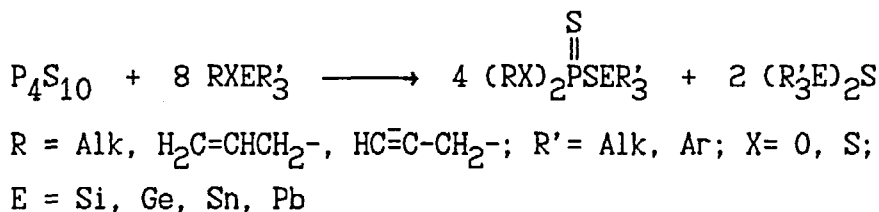
A, B = AlkO, ArO, AlkS, Alk<sub>2</sub>N, Alk, Ar; R = Alk, Ar;  
E = B, Si, Ge, Sn, Pb, As; n = 2, 3

with a P(S)S-E fragment serve as intermediates for synthesizing numerous linear and heterocyclic organothio-phosphorus compounds. In this case a series of fundamental problems of phosphorus chemistry could be solved. However there no convenient methods of their synthesis. They were obtained by the interactions of dithiophosphoric acids or their salts with organoelement halides. These techniques are multistep procedures, as the initial dithiophosphoric acids had to be synthesized by treatment of organic hydroxy compounds with P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>10</sub> with the evolution of gaseous H<sub>2</sub>S.

### RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The reactions of P<sub>4</sub>S<sub>10</sub> with trimethylsilyldialkylamines

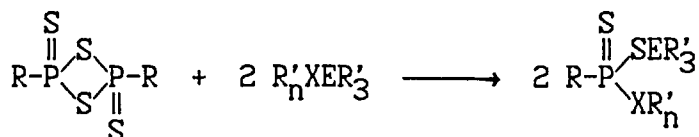
and bis(trimethylsilyl)sulfide were reported to yield S-trimethylsilyl N,N'-bis(dialkylamido)dithiophosphates and tris(trimethylsilyl) tetrathiophosphates.<sup>1</sup> We have tried to extend these degradation reactions of  $P_4S_{10}$  to other organosilicon compounds. We used the trimethylsilyl protecting group in protonodonating reagents such as saturated and unsaturated alcohols, enols, thiols and diols and have developed facile methods of synthesizing S-trimethylsilyl dithio- and tetrathiophosphates directly from  $P_4S_{10}$  and thus avoided the formation of  $H_2S$ . Similar results were obtained in the reactions of  $P_4S_{10}$  with alkoxy- and alkylthiogermanes, stannanes and plumbanes at 20-40°C.



These preparative methods are characterized by minimum steps, simple operations, mild conditions, high yields of products and no by-products. Alkoxysilanes have proven to be less reactive toward  $P_4S_{10}$  than alkylthiosilanes. The reactivity of alkoxides of main IV group elements increases in the following series: Si < Ge < Sn < Pb.

The mechanism of the reaction of  $P_4S_{10}$  with silylamines has been discussed by Roesky and Remmers<sup>1</sup> when the nucleophilic nitrogen atom attacks the phosphorus atom of  $P_4S_{10}$ . We assumed that during the destruction process of  $P_4S_{10}$  some intermediates can be formed in which a structural fragment may be similar to that of 2,4-bis(alkylthio)-2,4-dithioxo-1,3,2λ<sup>5</sup>,4λ<sup>5</sup>-dithiadiphosphetanes (homologues of Davy's reagent) in their trimer form. Consequently the

interaction of 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides with organoelement derivatives can be used as a model reaction of some intermediate processes of degradation of  $P_4S_{10}$ . We varied the 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides on the one hand and the silicon, germanium, tin and lead derivatives on the other hand.

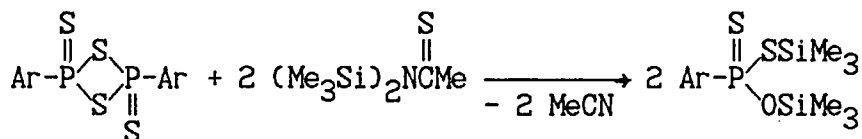


$R = \text{SAlk}, \text{NAlk}_2, 4\text{-MeOC}_6\text{H}_4$ ;  $R' = \text{Alk}$ ;  $R'' = \text{Alk}, \text{Ph}$ ;

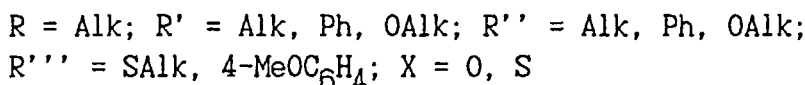
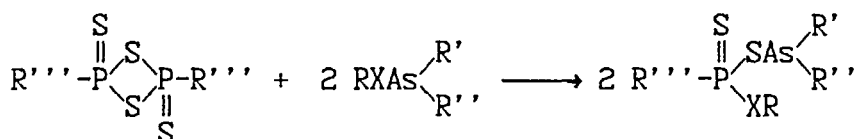
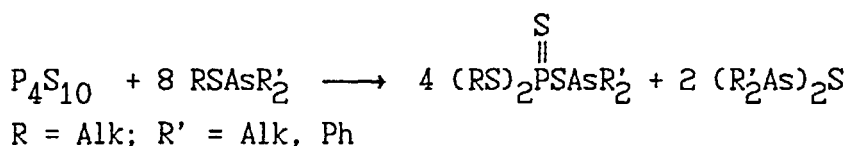
$X = \text{O}, \text{S}, \text{N}$ ;  $E = \text{Si}, \text{Ge}, \text{Sn}, \text{Pb}$ ;  $n = 1, 2$

The reactivity of alkoxides of main IV group elements towards 1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides increases in the series:  $\text{Si} < \text{Ge} < \text{Sn} < \text{Pb}$ . Ultrasonic irradiation leads to the increased reaction rate and the reduction in reaction temperature and time in the reactions of  $P_4S_{10}$  and Lawesson's reagent with bis(trialkylstannyl)sulfide and alkylthiostannanes and to the increased yields of stannyl tetrathiophosphates and aryltrithiophosphonates.

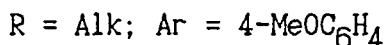
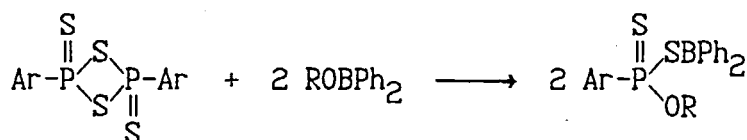
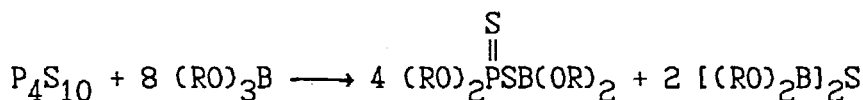
Bis(trimethylsilyl)acetamide reacts with 2,4-bis-(aryl)-1,3,2,4-dithiadiphosphetane-2,4-disulfides to form O,S-bis(trimethylsilyl)aryl dithiophosphonates.



We extended this approach to the organic derivatives of main III and IV group elements. New preparative methods of synthesizing S-organoarsenic derivatives of tetrathiophosphoric and aryldithio- and trithiophosphonic acids were developed on the basis of the reactions of  $P_4S_{10}$ , Davy's and Lawesson's reagents with alkoxides and alkylmercaptides of arsenic (III) at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ .



However reactions of  $P_4S_{10}$  and Lawesson's reagent with alkoxides of boron take place under severe conditions (130-150°C, 2-3 h) with the formation of boron derivatives of dithiophosphoric and aryldithiophosphonic acids. These reactions were also facilitated when ultrasound was employed (60-90°C, 20-50 min).



The products obtained serve as intermediates for synthesizing linear and heterocyclic organothiophosphorus compounds. Reactions of trimethylsilyl tetrathiophosphates with aldehydes, acetals, ortho ethers, amins, thioacetals, bis(thiocyanato)methane, disulfides and alkyl halides resulted in the products of tetrathiophosphate structure. Heterocyclic compounds were obtained in the reactions of O,S-bis(trimethylsilyl)aryl dithiophosphonates with  $\alpha$ -halogen carboxylic esters.

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