

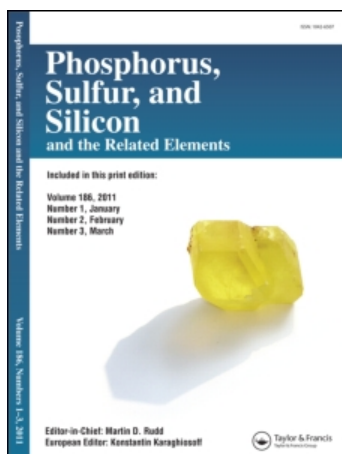
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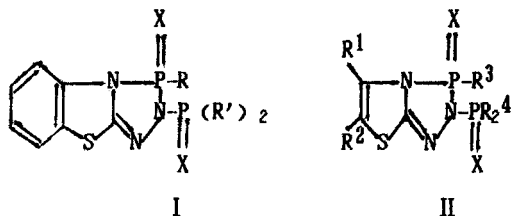
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## STUDIES ON PHOSPHENIUM CATIONS

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### INTRODUCTION

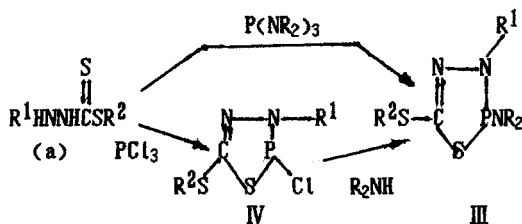
Corresponding phosphonium cations which could not be formed from 2, 3-2( H ) -1, 3-benzothiazolo or 1, 3-thiazolo] -[ 2, 3-d ] , [ 1, 2, 4, 3 ] -triazaphospholes, as I and II, were firstly synthesized in our lab. [1-4]



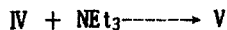
It was perhaps due to the presence of conjugation [5], dispersed in whole molecule, not concentrated only in the triazaphosphole ring. So we have to turn our study up on the single hetero-rings.

### 5-METHYLTHIO-3-DIALKYLAMINO-4, 1, 2, 3, -THIODIAZAPHOSPHOLES [6]

These compounds III containing sulfur and double bond in the ring are prepared from (a) and  $P(NR_2)_3$ . From (a) and  $PCl_3$ , corresponding chlorides IV are obtained.

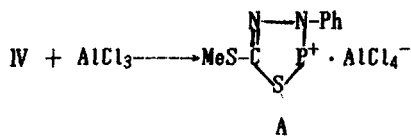


The reaction is some complicated according to the different substituents. Whatever happens, the base peaks of III, IV in MS are either N=P- containing molecular ions or phosphonium molecular ions. It is easy to react IV with  $NEt_3$  to form dimers V.

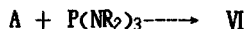


### PHOSPHEMIUM CATIONS

Phosphonium cation A can be given rise from the reaction of IV with anhydrous  $\text{AlCl}_3$

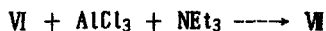


A is a red glassy substance and can remain for at least 5 days at  $10^\circ\text{C}$  under  $\text{N}_2$  in desiccator. The chemical shift of A in  $^{31}\text{P}$  NMR appeared at 261.9 ppm, between 111~560 ppm, the characteristic shift values of phosphonium cations [7].

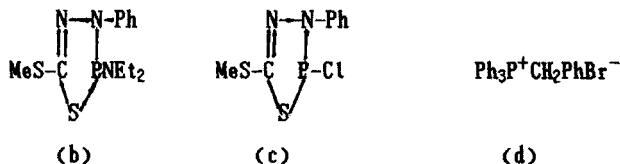


A reacts with  $\text{P}(\text{NR}_2)_3$  to give complex VI, the J value of which is 625 Hz, larger than 336~506 Hz reported in literature [7].

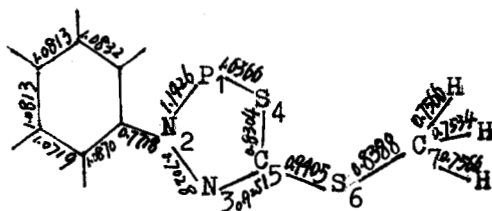
The stabilization of A is coming from the Ph substituent on N. If Ph group is absent, the cation will become unstable, but its complex VI also can be obtained in the presence of  $\text{NEt}_3$ .



The equivalent conductance of A, (b), (c) and (d) was measured. The result shows that the equivalent conductance of A is 40 times larger than (b) and (c), but 3 times smaller than (d). This means that the positive charge surely localizes on P, but does not completely localize on it as in (d).



The atomic gross overlap population of A, obtained from extend Hückel molecular orbital calculation is as below,



This picture shows that the double bond of  $N_3-C_5$  is largely migrated to the  $N_2-P_1$ , specially to the  $P_1-S_4$ , within the ring. The dispersion of positive charge in A is; Ph: + 0.36263; N—N: + 0.52144; and  $CH_3S^-$ : + 0.11992.

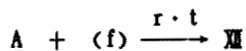
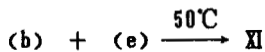
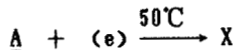


### THE REACTIONS OF PHOSPHEMIUM CATION A

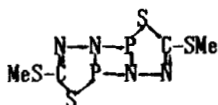
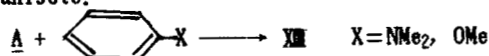
We preliminarily studied the reactions of A and compared them with the reactions of neutral compounds. A participates in Staudinger reaction<sup>[7]</sup> with  $N_3SiMe_3$  at room temperature, but neutral compounds can accomplish this reaction only in reflux.



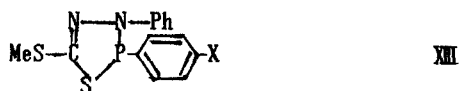
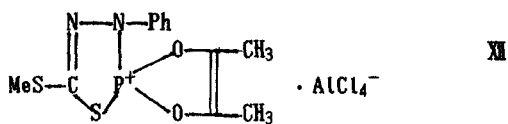
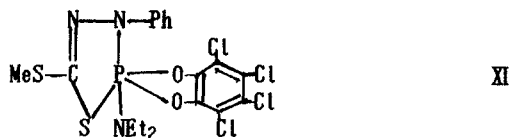
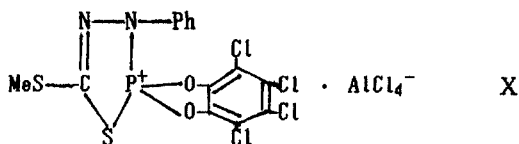
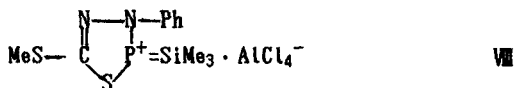
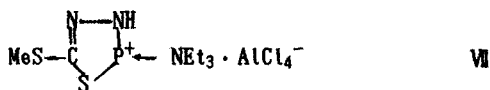
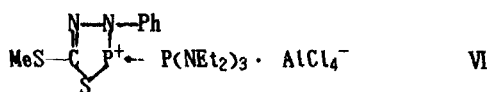
A can add to tetrachloro-ortho-quinone(e) or 2,3-butanedione(f) at 0°C or room temperature separately. Neutral compound can only add to (e) at 50°C but cannot react with (f).



In aromatic substitution, A can substitute para-H in N, N-dimethylaniline and anisole.



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