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A MULTINUCLEAR NMR STUDY OF THE CYCLOADDITION REACTION OF SNSAsF₆ WITH THE PHOSPHAALKYNE (CH₃)₃CCP; REDUCTION OF THE 6π CYCLOADDUCT 1,3,2,4-DITHIAZOPHOSPHOLIUM (CH₃)₃CCPSNS⁺

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Abstract The cycloaddition reaction of SNS⁺ (as the AsF₆ salt) with the phosphaalkyne $(CH_3)_3CCP$ gave $(CH_3)_3CCPSNS^+$, the first example of any 1,3,2,4-dithiazophospholium heterocycle. Reduction of 6π $(CH_3)_3CCPSNS^+$ in situ with SbPh₃ in the presence of Me₄NCl probably led to a new 7π 1,3,2,4-dithiazophospholyl $(CH_3)_3CCPSNS^+$ radical.

INTRODUCTION

The SNS⁺ cation (as the AsF₆⁻ salt) has been shown^{1,2} to undergo general quantitative symmetry allowed cycloaddition reactions with a variety of nitriles, alkynes, and alkenes. The kinetics¹ of these cycloadditions have shown that they are among the simplest of any 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions. It seemed almost certain that the cycloaddition chemistry of SNS⁺ was extendable to other multiply unsaturated systems. In this paper, we report the reaction of SNSAsF₆ with the phosphaalkyne (CH₃)₃CCP and the subsequent reduction of the product.

CYCLOADDITION OF SNSASF, WITH THE PHOSPHAALKYNE (CH.), CCP

The reaction of SNSAsF₆ (2.86 mmol) with (CH₃)₃CCP (2.81 mmol) was performed in liquid SO₂ (2.82 g) in a 10 mm NMR tube at -60°C, and the product was characterized in situ by multinuclear NMR (1 H, 13 C, 14 N, 15 N, 31 P) spectroscopy³ at the same temperature. $\delta(^{14}$ N)=37.5 ppm ($\Delta\nu_{1/2}$ =790 Hz); $\delta(^{15}$ N)=30.8 ppm (singlet, $\Delta\nu_{1/2}$ =4.8 Hz); $\delta(^{31}$ P)=389.2 ppm (singlet); $\delta(^{1}$ H)=1.52 ppm (singlet); and 13 C spectral data (δ (ppm), assignment): 237.5 (doublet, 1 J_{CP}=104.4 Hz, $\overline{\text{CPSNS}}^{+}$), 43.2 (doublet, 2 J_{CP}=12.8 Hz, tert-C), and 35.7 (doublet, 3 J_{CP}=7.0 Hz, CH₃).

The NMR (1 H, 13 C, 31 P) resonances of the cycloadduct (CH₃)₃CCPSNS⁺ appear at lower field relative to those of (CH₃)₃CCP⁴, characteristic of formation of the deshielding cation. The magnitude of 1 J_{PC} of (CH₃)₃CCPSNS⁺ (104 Hz) is greater than that of (CH₃)₃CCP (38.5 Hz), characteristic of decrease in the CP bond order by formation of CPSNS⁺ heterocycle, indicating the presence of a C=P double bond. Our NMR results also quantitatively fit Eqn.1 and 2 which have been previously established⁵ for the correlations of $\delta({}^{31}$ P) of various =P- containing acyclic and heterocyclic compounds to $\delta({}^{14}$ N) and $\delta({}^{13}$ C) of the corresponding =N- (replacement of P by N) and =CH-(replacement of P by CH) moieties in analogous acyclic and heterocyclic compounds.

$$\delta(^{31}P) = 1.33\delta(^{14}N) + 279 \tag{1}$$

$$\delta(^{31}P) = 4.88\delta(^{13}C) - 422$$

The multinuclear NMR spectroscopic studies showed that SNS⁺ undergoes symmetry allowed cycloaddition reaction with (CH₃)₃CCP to give a novel five-membered heterocyclic (CH₃)₃CCPSNS⁺ cation, which is the first example of any 1,3,2,4-dithiazophospholium heterocycle. The NMR studies also showed that the cycloadduct (CH₃)₃CCPSNSAsF₆ undergoes decomposition at room temperature to give a complex mixture with almost all the phosphorus converted PF₆⁻.

REDUCTION OF 1,3,2,4-DITHIAZOPHOSPHOLIUM (CH,),CCPSNS+

The in situ reduction of $(CH_3)_3CCPSNS^+$ (produced from the cycloaddition of SNSAsF₆ with $(CH_3)_3CCP$ at -60°C) with excess SbPh₃ in the presence of Me₄NCl at -40°C gave a radical species the ESR spectrum of which exhibited a 1:1:1 triplet presumably due to the coupling to ¹⁴N (I=1) with g=2.0059 and a^N=1.14 mT. This is reasonably attributed to a new type of heterocyclic 7π 1,3,2,4-dithiazophospholyl $(CH_3)_3CCPSNS^+$ (cf. the previously known $(CH_3)_3CCNSNS^{+6}$) by comparison with various conjugated SNS⁺ moiety containing heterocyclic radicals (g=2.005-2.007, a^N=1.10±0.03)⁷. The a^P coupling was not observable even at -60°C. The difference between a^N and a^P values may be interpreted by comparison of the coefficients of p_x SOMO (STO-3G) on N (0.97) and P (0.08).

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