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A new convenient method for synthesis of S-alkyl N,N-dialkyl thiophosphoramidic acid derivatives is reported. The chlorination of O,O-dialkyl N,N-dialkyl thiophosphoramidates with phosphorus oxychloride proceeds with isomerization to give S-alkyl N,N-dialkyl thiophosphoramidochloridates, which react further with various nucleophiles in the presence of base to give the title compounds. However, in the reaction of O,O-diethyl N,N-dimethyl thiophosphoramidate with phosphorus oxychloride, an unexpected exchange between chlorine atom and dimethylamino group is observed.

Key words: Thiophosphoramidate, thiophosphorochloridate, isomerization, chlorination.

In the previous paper, <sup>1,2</sup> we reported that when O-aryl O,O-dialkyl thiophosphates are chlorinated with phosphorus oxychloride, the isomerization of P=S to P—S bond occurs at the same time. This isomerization/chlorination can convert an achiral phosphorus atom into a chiral phosphorus atom to give S-alkyl O-aryl thiophosphorochloridates, which react further with various nucleophiles in the presence of a base to obtain biologically active S-alkyl O-aryl thiophosphoric acid derivatives. Thus, a new convenient method was provided for synthesis of chiral S-alkyl O-aryl thiophosphoric acid derivatives.

TABLE I Compounds  $\underline{2}$  and  $\underline{5}$  prepared

Pro-		<pre>bp(°C)/Pa or mp(°C)</pre>	n <sup>25</sup>	Elemental Analysis					
duct				Calc.		Calc.		Calc.	
<u>2</u> c	51.8	86-88/40	1.4950	36,60	36.38	7.46	7.29	6.10	5.97
<u>2</u> e	54.8		1.4949	39.43	39.29	7.86	7.57	5.75	5.46
<u>5</u> a	46.3		1.5208	50.95	50.66	7.00	6.95	5.40	5.19
<u>5</u> b	54.5	75-77/27	1.4933	39.80	39.48	8.59	8.67	6.63	6.67
<u>5</u> c	54.9		1.5236	52.73	53.02	7.38	7.30	5.13	4.96
<u>5</u> d	56.1	37-39		36.72	36.38	8.73	8.44	14.27	14.07
<u>5</u> e	67.6	40-42		45.41	45.48	5.99	6.09	3.78	3.70
<u>5</u> f	67.5		1.5424	46.98	46.96	6.37	6.58	8.43	8.15
5g	71.4		1.5082	55.79	55.79	8.03	7.89	4.65	4.45
<u>5</u> h	73.0		1.5043	57.12	57.25	8.31	8.33	4.44	4.49

TABLE II
IR and <sup>1</sup>H NMR data of compounds <u>2</u> and <u>5</u>

Pro-	IR(film or KBr), V(cm <sup>-1</sup> )			1			
	P-S-C		P-O-Ar	'H NMR(CDCl <sub>3</sub> /TMS),δ(ppm),J <sub>PH</sub> (HZ)			
<u>2</u> c	575	1240		0.95(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.10(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.68(m,2H,			
				CH <sub>2</sub> ),2.75(dt,2H,J=16.4,CH <sub>2</sub> S),3.11(dq,4H,			
_				J=14.8,2CH <sub>2</sub> N).			
<u>2</u> e	571	1235		0.82(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.32(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.50(m,2H,			
				CH <sub>2</sub> ),2.75(dq,2H,J=14.4,CH <sub>2</sub> S),2.97(dt,4H,			
				J=12.4,2CH <sub>2</sub> N).			
<u>5</u> a	555	1240	1190	1.09(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),2.18(d,3H,J=14.8,CH <sub>3</sub> S),			
			945	3.18(dq,4H,J=12.8,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),7.17(s,5H,Ar).			
<u>5</u> b	590	1228		1.14(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.35(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),2.82(dq,			
				2H, J=14.4, CH <sub>2</sub> S), 3.17(dq, 4H, J=12.3, 2CH <sub>2</sub> N),			
				3.71(d,3H,J=12.2,CH <sub>3</sub> S).			
<u>5</u> c	595	1235	1190	1.15(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.36(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),2.84(dq,2H			
			92 <b>5</b>	J=14.8,CH <sub>2</sub> S),3.26(dq,4H,J=12.6,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),7.29			
				(s,5H,Ar).			
<u>5</u> d	550	1210		1.09(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.29(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),2.78(m,2H,			
				CH <sub>2</sub> S),3.12(m,4H,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),3.30(s,2H,NH <sub>2</sub> ).			
<u>5</u> e	566	1231	1197	0.78(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.15(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.40(m,2H,			
			91 <b>5</b>	$CH_2$ ),2.66(dq,2H,J=14.8, $CH_2S$ ),2.97(dt,4H,			
				J=13.0,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),6.90-7.50(m,3H,Ar).			
<u>5</u> f	578	1215	1195	0.93(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.05(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.60(m,2H,			
			949	CH <sub>2</sub> ),2.67(dt,2H,J=14.0,CH <sub>2</sub> S),3.10(dq,2H,			
				J=12.6,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),7.60(m,4H,Ar).			
<b>5</b> 8	570	1215	1190	0.92(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.21(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.48(m,4H,			
			945	2CH <sub>2</sub> ),2.95(dt,2H,J=15.8,CH <sub>2</sub> S),3.30(dq,4H,			
				J=14.4,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),7.01(m,5H,Ar).			
<u>5</u> h	560	1242	1190	0.91(t,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.19(t,6H,2CH <sub>3</sub> ),1.44(m,4H,			
_			9 <b>50</b>	2CH <sub>2</sub> ),2.30(s,3H,CH <sub>3</sub> ),2.93(dt,2H,J=15.5,			
			•	CH <sub>2</sub> S),3.28(dq,4H,J=14.4,2CH <sub>2</sub> N),7.09(m,4H,			
				Ar).			

Recently, we have found that the isomerization/chlorination of O,O-dialkyl N,N-dialkylthiophosphoramidates  $\underline{1}$  with phosphorus oxychlorides can also give the desired products, S-alkyl N,N-dialkyl thiophosphoramidochloridates  $\underline{2}$  and O-alkyl phosphorodichloridates  $\underline{3}$ . The products  $\underline{2}$  can be purified by column chromatography on silica gel, e.g.  $\underline{2}$ c ( $\underline{2}$ ; R = Pr, R' = Et),  $\underline{2}$ e ( $\underline{2}$ ; R = Et, R' = Pr) (Tables I and II). Treatment of  $\underline{2}$  with nucleophiles NuH( $\underline{4}$ ) in the presence of triethylamine gives S-alkyl N,N-dialkyl thiophosphoramidates  $\underline{5}$ . The nucleophiles  $\underline{4}$  are alcohols, phenols, ammonia and any other compounds with active hydrogen. The crude products  $\underline{5}$  are purified by column chromatography on silica gel, distillation under reduced pressure or recrystallization. Thus, eight new compounds  $\underline{5}$  have been prepared (Tables I and II).

It is worthy to note that in the reaction of O,O-dialkyl N,N-dimethyl thiophosphoramidate  $\underline{1}f(\underline{1}; R = Et, R' = Me)$  with phosphorus oxychloride the desired

product  $\underline{2}$  is not obtained, but the exchanged products between chlorine atom and dimethylamino group, namely, O,O-diethyl thiophosphorochloridate  $\underline{6}$  and N,N-dimethyl phosphorochloride  $\underline{7}$ , are formed as the main products. Besides, there are some other by-products. The structures and amounts of seven main components of reaction mixture are determined through GC-MS technique. The amount of each of them is over 2% and their total amount is over 90% (by normalization). In the reaction mixture, material  $\underline{1}$  is undetected, but the amount of phosphorus oxychloride reaches up to 15.3%. The amount of normal isomerization/chlorination product, S-ethyl N,N-dimethyl thiophosphoramidochloridate  $\underline{8}$  is only 3.7% of all, but the percentage of the exchanged product  $\underline{6}$  is 42%. Compound  $\underline{6}$  is obtained by isolation on silica gel column. Thus, the reaction of  $\underline{1}$ f with phosphorus oxychloride is shown in the following equation:

$$\begin{array}{c} S \\ || \\ (EtO)_2 P - NMe_2 + POCl_3 \xrightarrow{100^{\circ}C} \begin{array}{c} PSCl_3 \\ \hline 5.5 \text{ h} \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} (EtO)_2 P(S)Cl \\ 9.5\%, 168)^* \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} (EtO)_2 P(S)Cl \\ \underline{6}(42.3\%, 188)^* \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} Me_2 NP(O)Cl_2 \\ \underline{7}(14.7\%, 161)^* \end{array} \\ + \begin{array}{c} EtS(Me_2 N)P(O)Cl \\ \underline{8}(3.7\%, 187)^* \\ \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} (EtO)_2 P - S \\ (3.0\%, 198)^* \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} EtS(EtO)P(O)Cl \\ \underline{2}(4\%, 188)^* \end{array}$$

In addition, treatment of compounds (RO)<sub>2</sub>P(S)NHR' or (RO)<sub>2</sub>P(S)NH<sub>2</sub> (R,R' are same as that of compounds 1) with phosphorus oxychloride under similar con-

<sup>\*</sup>In parentheses are percentages of content and M+.

ditions has been investigated in our laboratory. Results show that these reactions are complicated and in some cases very rigorous. The desired isomerization/chlorination products have not been obtained by isolation.

#### **EXPERIMENTAL**

#### 1. Apparatus and Reagents

Melting points were determined with a model Yanaco MP-500 apparatus. IR spectra were recorded on a model Shimadzu IR-435 spectrophotometer at film or KBr tablet. HNMR spectra were measured on a JEOL FX-90Q instrument at 90 MHZ using TMS as internal standard. GC-MS spectra were recorded on a HP-5890A-GC/5988A-MS instrument. GC conditions are follows: capillary column—Ultra 2, 25 m × 0.32 mm × 0.17 mm film thickness; carrier gas—helium, velocity of flow 1.4 mL/min.; temperature-programmed, injection port temperature 240°C, transfer line temperature 270°C. MS conditions are follows: ion source EI, 200°C, 70 eV; target current 300 μA; scanning range 10–420 amu.

For column chromatography Qingdao silica gel (200–300 mesh) was used. O,O-Dialkyl N,N-dialkyl thiophosphoramidates 1 were prepared by the reaction of O,O-dialkyl thiophosphorochloridates with an excess of dialkylamines using chloroform or acetone as the solvent at 40–45°C for 5–8 h. Phosphorus oxychloride needs to be redistilled before using. Other reagents are commercial.

2. Synthesis of N,N-diethyl S-propyl Thiophosphoramidochloridate 2c

(Typical procedure): A mixture of 18.6 g (74 mmol) of  $\underline{1c}$  ( $\underline{1c}$ ; R = Pr, R<sup>1</sup> = Et) and 11.3 g (74 mmol) of POCl<sub>3</sub> is heated at 100°C for 10 h with stirring until  $\underline{1c}$  disappears (TLC control, solvent system: petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O, 10:1, V/V, iodine as detecting agent). After the removal of the by-product  $\underline{3c}$  (R = Pr) under vacuum (133 Pa) at 100°C (oil bath), the crude product  $\underline{2c}$  is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (200–300 mesh) using petroleum ether/EtOAc (10:1, V/V) as the eluent to give 8.8 g of  $\underline{2c}$  with a yield of 52%, bp 86–88°C/39.9 Pa,  $\underline{n_D^{25}}$  1.4950 (Tables I and II).

3. Synthesis of N,N-dipropyl S-ethyl O-2,4-dichlorophenyl Thiophosphoramidate 5e

(Typical procedure): A mixture of 2.5 g (10 mmol) of  $\underline{1}e$  ( $\underline{1}$ ; R = Et, R<sup>1</sup> = Pr) and 1.5 g (10 mmol) of POCl<sub>3</sub> is heated at 100°C for 6 h with stirring until  $\underline{1}$  disappears (TLC control, solvent system: petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O, 10:1, V/V, iodine as detecting agent). After the removal of the by-product  $\underline{3}$  (R = Et) under vacuum (266 Pa) at 90°C (oil bath), the residue is dissolved in acetone (10 mL). To the acetone solution is added dropwise a mixture of 10 mL of acetone, 1.6 g (10 mmol) of 2.4-dichlorophenol and 1.5 g (15 mmol) of Et<sub>3</sub>N at 20°C, and the mixture is stirred at 45–50°C for 8 h. After cooling to r.t. the reaction mixture is poured into cold water (30 mL). The organic layer is extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> (2 × 20 mL). The CHCl<sub>3</sub> layer is washed with water (20 mL), and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). After the removal of the solvent the crude product  $\underline{5}e$  is purified by column chromatography on silica gel (200–300 mesh) with petroleum ether/EtOAc (10:1, V/V) as the eluent to give 2.5 g of  $\underline{5}e$  with a yield of 68%, mp 40–42°C (Tables I and II).

4. The Reaction of O,O-diethyl N,N-dimethyl Thiophosphoramidate If with Phosphorus Oxychloride

A mixture of 7.9 g (40 mmol) of POCl<sub>3</sub> is heated at  $100^{\circ}$ C for 5.5 h with stirring until If disappears (TLC control, solvent system: petroleum ether/Et<sub>2</sub>O, 10:1, V/V, iodine as detecting agent). After the reaction mixture is cooled to r.t., a sample for GC-MS is taken out. To remove a small amount of substance with low boiling point the remainder is distillated at  $60^{\circ}$ C (oil bath) under reduced pressure (266 Pa) to give 10 g of the crude product, which is purified by using column chromatography on silica gel (200-300 mesh) with petroleum ether/EtOAc (10:1, V/V) as the eluent yielding three fractions. Fraction 1, weighed 4.5 g,  $n_D^{sc}$  1.4670, bp 48-49°C/26.6 Pa, <sup>1</sup>HNMR  $\delta$  (ppm): 1.38 (t, 6H), 4.15 (dq, 4H,  $J_{PH}$  = 10.6 HZ) (Compound 6 in lit.3: bp 60°C/266 Pa,  $n_D^{sc}$  1.4685), Fraction 2, weighed 1.5 g; Fraction 3, weighed 0.5 g. Fractions 2 and 3 are a complicated mixture.

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