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Our research, which is concerned with the studies of interactions between group 4 elements and main group elements has shown that the presence of phosphino groups in  $\alpha$ - or  $\beta$ -position relative to a zirconium center can often induce unusual reactions in comparison to those observed with more classical organic zirconium species. We describe here the unique properties of the phosphines 1 that allow sp, sp<sup>2</sup>, and sp<sup>3</sup> C–H [1,2] as well as X–H bond activations (X=O,N,P,S) in the formation of new 18-electron zirconium complexes; these complexes can by used as efficient reagents for the formation a variety of species bearing P–C, P–O–P–N or P–S bonds.

$$X = H$$

$$Cp_{2}$$

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$$M = C, N, O, P, S$$
fragments
$$ER_{2}$$

$$X = Cl$$

$$Cp_{2}$$

$$M = P, Au \text{ fragments}$$

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