LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Unsaturated Phosphorus Compounds on the Basis of *O*-Vinyloximes

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It is known that under the action of phosphorus pentachloride not only ketoximes, but also esters derived from them undergo Beckmann rearrangement [1]. Acid catalysts can induce rearrangements of oxime ethers [2]. The reaction of oxime *O*-vinyl ethers with phosphorus pentachloride would be expected to involve, along with the Beckmann rearrangement, formation of organophosphorus compounds like those isolated on phosphorylation of vinyl ethers [3].

We found that propan-2-one *O*-vinyloxime and 3-methylbutan-2-one *O*-vinyloxime are easily phosphorylated with phosphorus pentachloride at room temperature by the *O*-vinyl group to form alkenyltrichlorophosphonium hexachlorophosphorates **I**, **II**.

$$\xrightarrow[-\text{HCl}]{\text{Me}} C=N-\text{OCH}=\text{CH}_2$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{2PCl}_5} \xrightarrow[R]{\text{Me}} C=N-\text{OCH}=\text{CH}-\text{PCl}_3^+ \text{ PCl}_6^-$$

$$\textbf{I, II}$$

$$\xrightarrow[-2SOCl_2,\ -POCl_3]{2SO_2} \xrightarrow[R]{Me} C=N-OCH^{\beta}=CH^{\alpha}-POCl_2,$$
III, IV

$$R = Me (I, III), i-Pr (II, IV).$$

Under the action of sulfur dioxide hexachlorophosphorates **I**, **II** convert to (2-isopropylideneaminooxyethenyl)phosphonic and [2-(1,2-dimethylpropylidene)-aminooxyethenyl]phosphonic dichlorides **III**, **IV** as *E* isomers (NMR data).

To a suspension of 2.1 g of phosphorus pentachloride in 15 ml of benzene, a solution of 0.5 g of propan-2-on *O*-vinyloxime in 3 ml of benzene was added dropwise with stirring. A gray finely crystalline precipitate formed. A day after, it got colorless. Filtration

and vacuum drying gave 1.8 g (74%) of compound **I** as a white powder susceptible to hydrolysis.

Sulfur dioxide was passed through a dispersion of 1.35 g of compound **I** until complete homogenization. The solvent and volatile by-products were removed in a vacuum to obtain ca. 100% of compound **III** as a light brown liquid decomposing during vacuum distillation. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 540 (P–Cl), 1260 (P=O), 1590 (C=C), 1620 (C=N), 3050 (=C–H). 1 H MNR spectrum, δ, ppm: 7.70 d.d (1H, H_β, $^{3}J_{\text{HH}}$ 13.2 Hz, $^{3}J_{\text{PH}}$ 14.7 Hz), 5.80 ppm d.d (1H, H_α, $^{3}J_{\text{HH}}$ 13.2 Hz, $^{2}J_{\text{PH}}$ 25.3 Hz), 2.01 s, 1.99 s (6H, Me₂C=). 31 P NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 34.20 (POCl₂, $^{2}J_{\text{PH}}$ 25.3 Hz, $^{3}J_{\text{PH}}$ 14.7 Hz). Found, %: C 27.37; H 4.22; Cl 32.39; N 5.82; P 14.07. C₅H₈Cl₂NO₂P. Calculated, %: C 27.91; H 3.72; Cl 32.56; N 6.51; P 14.42.

Compound **II** was prepared analogously from 0.5 g of 3-methylbutan-2-one *O*-vinyloxime and 1.64 g of phosphorus pentachloride. A white fine powder hydrolyzing in air. Yield 1.5 g (75%). Treatment of a dispersion of 1 g of compound **II** in 5 ml of benzene with sulfur dioxide and subsequent evaporation of volatile products in a vacuum gave ca. 100% of compound **IV** as a light brown liquid. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 540 (P–Cl), 1270 (P=O), 1590 (C=C), 1650 (C=N), 3060 (=C–H). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 7.74 d.d (1H, $H_{β}$, $^3J_{HH}$ 13.2 Hz, $^3J_{PH}$ 15.0 Hz), 5.78 d.d (1H, $H_{α}$, $^3J_{HH}$ 13.2 Hz, $^2J_{PH}$ 25.5 Hz), 2.60 m (1H, Me₂CH, $^3J_{HH}$ 6.9 Hz), 1.94 s (3H, MeC=), 1.13 d (6H, Me₂CH, $^3J_{HH}$ 6.9 Hz), 1.94 s (3H, MeC=), 1.13 d (6H, Me₂CH, $^3J_{HH}$ 6.9 Hz), 1.94 s (3H, MeC=), 1.15 d (6H, Me₂CH, $^3J_{HH}$ 6.9 Hz), 1.94 s (3H, MeC=), 1.17 d (6H, Me₂CH, $^3J_{HH}$ 6.9 Hz), 1.94 s (3H, MeC=), 1.17 d (6H, Me₂CH, $^3J_{HH}$ 6.9 Hz), 25.5 Hz, $^3J_{PH}$ 15.0 Hz). Found, %; C 34.47; H 5.20; Cl 29.59; N 5.45; P 11.77. C₇H₁₂Cl₂NO₂P. Calculated, %: C 34.57; H 4.94; Cl 28.81; N 5.76; P 12.76.

The IR spectrum was obtained on a Specord 75 IR spectrometer in KBr pellets. The ¹H and ³¹P NMR spectra were measured in CDCl₃ solutions on a Bruker DPX 400 spectrometer at 400 and 161.98 MHz, respectively.

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