Synthesis of phosphorus, nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur macrocycles

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Phosphorus macromolecules containing oxygen, nitrogen and sulphur were synthesised by the addition of phosphoric acid diallyl esters to 1,2-ethandithiol or various amines in dry dichloromethane. All compounds were characterised by IR, NMR (¹H, ¹³C and ³¹P) and mass spectral studies and elemental analysis. Their antimicrobial activity has also been evaluated.

Key words: allylic alchol, macrocycles, phosphorodichloridates, antimicrobial activity.

INTRODUCTION

Phosphorus-containing macrocycles are interesting molecules with potential application in supramolecular and synthetic organic chemistry [1]. They have been synthesised as phosphine oxides, phosphines, phosphonium salts, phosphates, phosphonates and phosphoranes [2]. The importance of these molecules, as phosphorous analogues of crown ethers, is their potential catalytic activity and ion-carrier properties. The design and synthesis of host molecules capable of binding neutral organic molecules as guests is an area of rapidly expanding interest [3]. Cram [4], Lehn [5], Vogtle [6], Diederich [7] and others have made significant advances in the field of host-guest complexation [8]. Some of our past and present research has led to the construction of large preorganised macrocyclic cavities bearing concave functionalities [9]. They are also expected to function as good 'Hosts' in the 'Host-guest chemistry'. This particular property enables them to carry the drug molecule to the required cite in the living system, thus foreseeing great future for them in pharmaceutical industry. More recently Pietrusiewicz et al. have presented the synthesis of macrocyclic systems containing phosphorus and sulphur-based on a double conjugate addition of dithiolates to vinyl phosphane oxides and sulphides as Michael acceptors [10]. Nitrogen and oxygen mixed donor macrocycles can form stable complexes with alkali and transition metal ions. Therefore, mixed donor macrocycles have received much attention as receptors for a range of metal ions and other cations [11–14]. This particular property enables their use as efficient reagents to trap heavy toxic metals in polluted water.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The synthesis Scheme 1 involves the condensation of allylic alchol (2) with various aryl phosphorodichloridates (1a-c) at 0°C under inert, anhydrous conditions in dry dichloromethane to afford the corresponding phosphoric acid diallyl esters (3a-c). Their subsequent addition to 1,2-ethanedithiol or various amines in dry dichloromethane at refluxed conditions leads to the final products, which were purified by column chromatography using hexane: ethylacetate step gradient mixtures as eluents.

All the compounds (4a-c, 5a-i) exhibited IR stretching frequencies for P=O, P–O–(C_(aromatic)), (P)-O-C_{arom} in the region of 1260-1291, 926-939 and 1202-1228 cm⁻¹, respectively [15-21] (Table 1). Their ¹H NMR spectra gave signals (Table 2) for all aromatic protons at δ 6.96–7.69 as complex multiplets [22–24]. The methylene groups (H-4 and 13) directly attached to oxygen in 4a-c resonated as triplets at δ 4.24–4.26 (J = 5.0–6.0 Hz). Another two triplets in the region of 2.82-2.85 ppm and 2.62–2.63 ppm are attributed to H-6 and 11 and H-5 and 9, respectively. Multiplets in the region of 1.93-1.96 ppm are assigned to H-5 and 12. Similarly, the endocyclic six methylene protons of dioxaphosphocin system in 5a-i exhibited two triplets for H-4 and 10 and multiplets for H-5 and 9 in the expected regions. All carbons in the compounds (4a-b, 5a, 5d, 5h and 5i) exhibited signals at their expected values (Table 3). Carbons 8 and 9 in compounds 4a and 4b, exhibited one singlet.

In view of their possible applications and novelty in the chemistry of Host-guest molecular ensembles, it is thought worth to synthesise and study the properties of several phosphorus macro-cycles with nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur as donor atoms.

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The signals for C-4 and 10, C-6 and 8, and C-5 and 9 in **5a–b** appeared as doublets at their corresponding values. The oxygen bearing C-4 and 13, C-4 and 10 in **4a–b** and **5a**, **5d**, **5h**, **5i** experienced coupling with phosphorous and exhibited doublets. All the compounds except **4a**, **4b** exhibited two ³¹P NMR chemical shift values because of their presence as two conformers in solution state.

EXPERIMENTAL

Melting points were determined in open capillary

tubes on a Mel-Temp. apparatus and were not corrected. IR spectra (v_{max} in cm⁻¹) were recorded in KBr pellets on a Perkin-Elmer 1000 unit. The ¹H, ¹³C and ³¹P NMR spectra were recorded on various Gemini 300 and Varian AMX 400 MHz NMR spectrometers operating at 300 or 400 MHz for ¹H, 75.46 or 100.57 MHz for ¹³C and 121.7 MHz for ³¹P. All the compounds were dissolved in CDCl₃ and chemical shifts was referred to those of TMS (¹H and ¹³C) and 85% H₃PO₄ (³¹P). Microanalytical data were obtained from the Central Drugs Research Institute, Lucknow, India.

Table 2.	¹ H NMR	spectral	data	of 4a-	-c and 5a-i.
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Com- pound	Chemical shifts, ppm		
4 a	6.98-7.26 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 4.26 (t, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 4 H, H-4		
	& 13), 2.85, (t, $J = 10.8$ Hz, H-6 & 11), 2.63 (t, $J =$		
	10.8 Hz, H-8 & 9), 1.96 (m, 4H, H-5 & 12)		
4b	7.07–7.29 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 4.25 (t, $J = 5.0$ Hz, 4H, H-4		
	& 13), 2.82 (t, <i>J</i> = 10.6 Hz, 4H, H-6 & 11), 2.63 (t, <i>J</i> =		
	10.3 Hz, 4H, H-8 & 9), 1.95 (m, 4H, H-5 & 12), 2.31		
	(s, 3H, H-7')		
4c	7.06-7.28 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 4.24 (t, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 4H, H-4		
	& 13), 2.84 (t, $J = 10.8$ Hz, H-6 & 11), 2.62 (t, $J = 9.6$		
	Hz, 4H, H-8 & 9), 1.93 (m, 4H, H-5 & 12), 2.30 (s, 3H,		
-	H-7')		
5a	7.06-7.28 (m, 5H, Ar-H), 4.23 (t, $J = 5.3$ Hz, 4H, H-4		
	& 10), 2.81–2.86 (t, $J = 8.9$ Hz, 4H, H-6 & 8),		
	2.69–2.74 (m, 2H, H-1"), 1.68–1.73 (m, 4H, H-5 & 9),		
5 1	1.26-1.31 (t, 2H, H-2"), $0.88-0.92$ (m, 3H, H-3")		
50	/.03 - /.24 (m, 5H, Ar-H), $4.21 - 4.2/$ (t, $J = 5.1$ Hz, 4H,		
	H-4 & 10), 2.85–2.92 (t, $J = 8.8$ HZ, 4H, H-6 & 8),		
	2.66-2./2 (m, 2H, H-1"), $1./0-1./4$ (m, 4H, H-5 & 9),		
	1.42-1.46 (m, 2H, H-2"), $1.25-1.31$ (m, 2H, H-3"),		
-	0.8/-0.94 (m, 3H, H-4")		
5c	6.96 - 7.33 (m, 10H, Ar-H), $4.19 - 4.23$ (t, $J = 4.9$ HZ,		
	4H, H-4 & 10), 3.82 (d, $J = 16.2$ HZ, 2H, H-1"), 2.72, 2.76 (t, $L = 0.2$ HZ, 4H, H, 6 & 9), 1.76, 1.91 (m)		
	2./5-2./0 (I, $J = 9.2$ HZ, 4H, H-0 & 8), $1./0-1.81$ (M,		
5d	$4\Pi, \Pi - 3 \otimes 9$ 7 11–7 42 (m AH Ar-H) 4 41–4 44 (t $I = 5 A Hz$ AH		
Su	$H_{-4} & 10 \\ 2 & 84 - 2 & 90 \\ (t & I = 9 \\ 1 & H_7 \\ 4H \\ C_{-6} & 8 \\ C_{-6} & C_{-6} & 8 \\ C_{-6} & C_{-6} & 8 \\ C_{-6} & C_{-6} & C_{-6} \\ C_{-6} & C_{-6$		
	2.65-2.71 (m 2H H-1") 2.3 (s 3H Ar-CH ₂)		
	1.77-1.82 (m 4H H-5 & 9) 1.36-1.39 (m 2H H-2'')		
	0.81-0.87 (m 3H H-3")		
5e	7.09-7.52 (m 4H Ar-H) $4.28-4.34$ (t $J = 4.84$ Hz H		
	H-4 & 10), $2.82-2.87$ (t. $J = 9.4$ Hz, 4H, H-6 & 8).		
	2.59–2.63 (m, 2H, H-1"), 2.36 (s, 3H, Ar-CH ₃),		
	1.72–1.79 (m. 4H, H-5 & 9), 1.42–1.47 (m. 2H, H-2").		
	1.21–1.26 (m, 2H, H-3"), 0.81–0.85 (m, 2H, H-4")		
5f	7.12-7.69 (m, 9H, Ar-H), 4.42-4.49 (t, J = 5.1 Hz, 4H,		
	H-4 & 10), 3.74 (d, $J = 16.7$ Hz, 2H, H-1"), 2.71–2.78		
	(m, 4H, H-6 & 8), 2.29 (s, 3H, Ar-CH ₃), 1.69–1.72 (m,		
	4H, H-5 & 9)		
5g	6.92–7.34 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 4.11–4.16 (t, <i>J</i> = 5.0 Hz, 4H,		
	H-4 & 10), 2.76–2.81 (m, 4H, H-6 & 8), 2.63–2.68 (m,		
	2H, H-1"), 2.27 (s, 3H, Ar-CH ₃), 1.74–1.79 (m, 4H, H-		
	5 & 9), 1.21–1.26 (m, 2H, H-2"), 0.91–0.96 (m, 3H,		
	H-3")		
5h	6.97-7.28 (m, 4H, Ar-H), 4.21-4.27 (t, J = 4.9 Hz, 4H,		
	H-4 & 10), 2.91–2.94 (m, 4H, H-6 & 8), 2.72–2.76 (m,		
	2H, H-1"), 2.32 (s, 3H, Ar-CH ₃), 1.69–1.74 (m, 4H, H-		
	5 & 9), 1.41–1.45 (m, 2H, H-2"), 1.11–1.16 (m, 2H,		
	H-3"), 0.90–0.94 (m, 3H, H-4")		
5i	7.04-7.36 (m, 9H, Ar-H), $4.280-4.33$ (t, $J = 5.1$ Hz,		
	4H, H-4 & 10), 3.76 (d, $J = 16.9$ Hz, 2H, H-1"),		
	2.6/-2.71 (t, $J = 9.3$ Hz, 4H, H-6 & 8), 2.29 (s, 3H,		
	Ar-CH ₃), 1.68–1./1 (m, 4H, H-5 & 9)		
^a Chemic	cal shifts in ppm from TMS and coupling constants J (Hz) given		
in parenthesis; ^b Recorded in deuterochloroform.			
Svnt	hesis of 2-o-tolvloxy-1.3-dioxa-7.10-dithio-2-		
~,	nhosnhacvclotridecane_2_oride (3h)		
	phosphacycion accune-2-0xiae (30)		

A solution of 2-methylphenylphosphorodichloridate (**1b**, 2.25 g, 0.01 mole) dissolved in 20 ml of dry dichloromethane (DCM) was added over a period of 20 minutes at 0°C to a stirred solution of allyl alcohol (1.24 g, 0.02 mole) and triethylamine (2.02 g, 0.021 mole) in 30 ml of dry DCM. After completion of addition, the temperature of the reaction mixture was raised to 45-50°C and kept for two hours with stirring. Progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC analysis, the precipitated triethylamine hydrochloride was separated by filtration and the filtrate was vacuum evaporated. The crude product obtained was dissolved in DCM and 1,2ethanedithiol (1.4 g, 0.015 mole) in 25 ml of dry DCM was added dropwise with stirring. The mixture was refluxed over a period of two hours to ensure the completion of the reaction. The resulting syrupy liquid was purified by column chromatography (ethyl acetate-hexane 0:100 to 25:75) to afford 1.25 g (89%) of 3b as a semi-solid. Analogous were prepared by adopting the above procedure.

Table 3. ¹³C NMR spectral data of 4a-b, 5a, 5d, 5h and 5i.

l″),	1 4010	
81 (m,	Com-	Chemical shifts, ppm
łz, 4H,	pound	
& 8),	4a	67.9 (d, <i>J</i> = 5.2 Hz, 1C, C-4), 66.9 (s, 1C, C-13), 38.6
3),	l	(s, 1C, C-6), 36.9 (s, 1C, C-11), 31.3 (s, 1C, C-5),
H-2"),	al a	30.8 (s, 1C, C-12), 25.6 (s, 2C, C-8 & 9), 148.4 (s,
AD .	Mino	1C,C-1'), 120.0 (s, 2C, C-2' & 6'), 132.8 (s, 2C, C-3' &
Hz, H,		5'), 123.9 (s, 1C, C-4')
& 8),	4b	68.66 (d, J = 5.1 Hz, 1C, C-4), 66.69 (s, 1C, C-13),
H3),	0	38.2 (s, 1C, C-6), 37.4 (s, 1C, C-11), 31.3 (s, 1C, C-5),
H-2"),		30.1 (s, 1C, C-12), 24.5 (s, 2C, C-8 & 9), 148.9 (s, 1C,
I-4")		(-1), 129.1 (s, 1C, C-2'), 131.2 (s, 1C, C-3'), 126.9 (s, 1C, C-4'), 127.2 (s, 1C, C-4'), 127.2 (s, 1C, C-4'), 128.2 (s, 1C, C-4'),
Iz, 4H,		1C, C-4'), 127.3 (s, 1C, C-5'), 119.6 (s, 1C, C-6'), 16.3
-2.78	=	$(S, IC, C-2, CH_3)$
.72 (m,	58	149.1 (\$, 1C, C-1'), 134.3 (\$, 1C, C-4'), 132.2 (\$, 2C, C-4')
		3' & 5', 119.5 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 2C, C-2' & 6'), 66.61 (d,
łz, 4H,		$J = 5.8 \text{ Hz}, 2C, C-4 \approx 10, 46.8 (d, J = 4, 2C, C-6 and C)$
.68 (m,		8), 46.1 (d, $J = 21.7$ Hz, C-1 ²), 31.2 (s, 2C, C-5 & 9),
4H, H-	5 1	36.8 (s, 1C, C-2"), 13.9 (s, 1C, C-3")
n, 3H,	50	66.63 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2C, C-4 & 10), 46.2 (d, J = 4.1, Hz)
		$2C, C-6 \& 8$, 46.1 (d, $J = 21.5$ Hz, $C-1^{\prime\prime}$), 3/.1 (s, 1C,
łz, 4H,		C-2"), 13.02 (m, 1C, C-3"), 149.8 (s, 1C, C-1"), 133.9 (s,
.76 (m,		1C, C-4'), 132.1 (s, 2C, C-3' & 5'), 118.9 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz,
4H, H-		2C, C-2' & 6'), 20.7 (s, 1C, C-2', <u>C</u> H ₃)
n, 2H,	5h	66.72 (d, $J = 6.1$ Hz, 2C, C-4 & 10), 46.1 (d, $J = 4.1$,
		2C, C-6 & 8, $32.8 (s, 2C, C-5 & 9), 47.2 (d, J = 27.8$
1 Hz,		Hz, 1C, C-1"), 37.9 (s, 1C, C-2"), 21.2–21.7 (m, 1C,
l″),		C-3"), 13.6–13.9 (m, 1C, C-4"), 150.9 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz,
, 3H,		1C, C-1'), 133.8 (s, 1C, C-4'), 131.9 (s, 2C, C-3' & 5'),
		119.7 (d, $J = 4.6$ Hz, 2C, C-2' & 6'), 22.9 (s, 1C, C-4')
	5i	66.63 (d. $J = 6.9$ Hz. 2C. C-4 & 10), 45.7 (d. $J = 5.9$

5i 66.63 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 2C, C-4 & 10), 45.7 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 2C, C-6 & 8), 31.3 (s, 2C, C-5 & 9), 47.2 (d, J = 17.8 Hz, 1C, C-1'), 148.7 (s, 1C, C-1'), 143.7 (s, 1C, C-2''), 135.7 (s, 1C, C-4'), 133.1 (s, 1C, C-3' & 5'), 128.7 (s, 2C, C-4'' & 6''), 126.9 (s, 2C, C-3'' & 7''), 126.1 (s, 1C, C-5''), 22.9 (s, 1C, C-4', CH₃)

^a Chemical shifts in ppm from TMS and coupling constants *J* (Hz) given in parenthesis; ^b Recorded in deuterochloroform.

Table 4. Mass spectral data of 4b, 5a and 5i.

Com-	m/z,
pound	%
4b	363[M ⁺ 1] (24), 267 (31), 186 (24), 162 (19), 150 (26)
5a	313[M ⁺] (30), 289 (60), 270 (56), 188 (24), 141 (20)
5i	375[M ⁺] (60), 285 (32), 281 (40), 236 (80), 190 (28), 186 (29)

ANTIMICROBIAL ACTIVITY

Compounds **4a–c** and **5a–i** were screened for their antimicrobial activity against the growth of bacteria *Staphylococcus aureus* (gram +Ve) and *Escherichia coli* (gram –Ve) and fungi *Aspergillus niger* and *Helminthosporium oryzae* at concentrations [25, 26] 20 µg/disc and 400. µg/disc. They have exhibited moderate antibacterial and moderate antifungal activity when compared to the standard reference compounds (Table 5, 6).

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Table 5. Antibacterial activity of 4a-c and 5a-i.

	Zone of inhibition, mm				
Compound	Staphylococcus aureus		Escherichia coli		
	200 ^a	400 ^a	200 ^a	400 ^a	
	µg/disc	µg/disc	µg/disc	µg/disc	
4a	14	19	13	20	
4b	13	18	11	15	
4 c	18	16	15	15	
5a	16	14	16	12	
5b	17	12	18	14	
5c	17	15	17	13	
5d	12	18	14	13	
5e	13	19	18	12	
5f	16	17	16	11	
5g	13	18	14	17	
5h	15	17	16	18	
5 i	14	20	17	18	
Penicillin ^b	22		21		

^a Concentration in ppm; ^b Standard reference compound.

Table 6. Antifungal activity of 4a-c and 5a-i.

China States	Zone of inhibition, mm				
Compound	Aspergillus niger		Helminthosporium oryzae		
r	200 ^a	400 ^a	200 ^a	400 ^a	
	µg/disc	µg/disc	µg/disc	µg/disc	
4a	.16	22	18	23	
4b	14	23	16	22	
4c	13	21	14	20	
5a	18	24	17	23	
5b	17	21	16	20	
5c	18	23	17	21	
5d	11	19	12	21	
5e	13	22	13	21	
5f	12	20	11	19	
5g	18	23	15	22	
5h	17	22	16	24	
5i	18	25	16	23	
Griseofulvin ^b	28		28		

^a Concentration in ppm; ^b Standard reference compound.

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СИНТЕЗА НА МАКРОЦИКЛИ СЪДЪРЖАЩИ ФОСФОР, АЗОТ, КИСЛОРОД И СЯРА

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(Резюме)

Синтезирани са макромолекули съдържащи фосфор, кислород, азот и сяра чрез реакция на диалилови естери на фосфорна киселина с 1,2-етандитиол или различни амини в сух дихлорометан. Всички съединения са охарактеризирани с ИЧС, ¹H, ¹³C и ³¹P ЯМР, масспектрални изследвания и елементен анализ. Оценена е също и тяхната антимикробна активност.

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