Synthesis of Diaminodiphenylphosphonium Salts

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A new general synthesis of diaminodiphenylphosphonium salts consists of the successive reactions of chlorodiphenylphosphine with bromine and then with primary or secondary amines. The method can be applied to various types of amines.

Our interest in diylide chemistry¹⁻² led us to elaborate a simple, efficient, and general synthesis of diaminodiphenylphosphonium salts $3 (R^2 = H)$ which are used as precursors for diazadiylides.³ Several syntheses of salts 3 are known, using for example the reactions between dichlorophosphine, amine, and halogenated compounds⁴⁻⁶ or the reactions between tetraphenyldiphosphine and amines.^{7,8}

We describe here a new synthesis of salts 3 in which Horner's preparation $^{9-12}$ of monoaminophosphonium salts has been adjusted to the *in situ* preformed trihalophosphorane 1. Thus, the diaminophosphonium salts $3\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{j}$ can be prepared by reaction of bromine with chlorodiphenylphosphine and subsequent disubstitution of halogen on phosphorus by primary or secondary amines. This preparation is performed as a one-pot procedure (without isolation of the intermediates 2). It is quite general with regard to the nature of the groups R^1 and R^2 (alkyl, aryl, and functionally substituted alkyl) and it can also be performed with hydrazines $(R^1 = NHPh, R^2 = H)$ in place of amines (preparation of salt $3\mathbf{k}$).

Ph P-Cl
$$\xrightarrow{Br_2/CH_2Cl_2}$$
 $\xrightarrow{0^{\circ}C, 1h}$ (Ph_2PClBr_2) $\xrightarrow{Method A: 4R^1R^2NH \\ Method B: 2R^1R^2NH/NEt_3}$ $0^{\circ}C, 2l$

$$\begin{bmatrix} R^{1} \\ Ph \\ Ph \\ X \end{bmatrix} X - \begin{bmatrix} 20 \cdot C, 2 - 96 h \\ \hline 50 - 85 \cdot \% \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{Ph} N - R^{2}$$
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$$R^{1} \\ Ph \\ N - R^{2} \\ Ph \\ N - R^{2} \\ X - R^{3}$$

	R ¹	R ²	X
3a	Bu	Н	Br
3b	i-Pr	Н	Br
3c	t-Bu	Н	Br
3'd a	CH_2CH_2	Н	Br
3e	CH ₂ Ph 2	H	Br
3f	Ph [*]	Н	Br
3g	$CH_2CH = CH_2$	Н	Br
3h	CH ₂ CO ₂ Et	Н	BPh₄
3i	Bu	Bu	BPh₄
3j	CH_2Ph	Bu	OTs
3k	NHPh	Н	Br

^a 1,2-Ethanediamine is used as the amine, the product being 2,2,7,7-tetraphenyldecahydro-1,3,6,8,2,7-tetraazadiphosphecine-2,7-diium dibromide:

Table 1. Diaminophosphonium Salts 3 Prepared

Prod- uct	Reaction Conditions		Method	Yield	mp (°C) ^a	Molecular b
	Temperature (°C)	Time (h)		(%)	(Solvent)	Formula
3a°	20	20	A	82	71 (MeOAc)	C ₂₀ H ₃₀ BrN ₂ P (409.4)
3b	20	18	Α	75	220 (MeOH/H ₂ O)	$C_{18}H_{26}BrN_2P$ (381.3)
3c	46	96	Α	55	241 (CH ₂ Cl ₂ /EtOAc)	$C_{20}H_{30}BrN_2P$ (409.4)
3'd d	20	48	В	50	270 (CHCl ₃ /EtOAc)	$C_{28}H_{32}Br_2N_4P_2 + H_2O$ (664.4)
3e°	20	2	Α	85	114 (CH ₂ Cl ₂ /EtOAc)	$C_{26}H_{24}BrN_2P$ (477.4)
3ff	20	20	A	60	243 (EtOH)	$C_{24}H_{22}BrN_2P$ (449.3)
3g	20	18	Α	55	92 (CH ₂ Cl ₂ /EtOAc)	$C_{18}H_{22}BrN_2P$ (377.3)
3h	20	88	В	65	110 (C ₅ H ₁₁ OH)	$C_{44}H_{46}BN_2O_4P$ (708.6)
3i	20	96	Ā	30	178 (CH ₂ Cl ₂ /EtOAc)	$C_{52}H_{66}BN_2P$ (760.9)
3j	82 ⁸	72	В	60	$108 \text{ (EtOAc/C}_6\text{H}_{14})$	$C_{41}H_{29}N_2O_3PS$ (680.9)
3k	20	72	Α .	65	282 (h)	$C_{24}H_{24}BrN_4P$ (479.4)

- ^a Uncorrected, measured with a Mettler FP 5 apparatus.
- b Satisfactory microanalyses obtained:
- $C \pm 0.28$, $H \pm 0.24$, $N \pm 0.33$, $P \pm 0.21$.
- The corresponding iodide, 3a', was obtained by ion exchange with NaI in H₂O (25°C, 15 min); mp 114°C. The microanalysis (Footnote b) was performed with this compound: C₂₀H₂₀IN₂P (456.3).
- d This cyclic bis-phosphonium salt (formula, see under formula scheme) was isolated and characterized as the monohydrate.
- MS (FAB): $m/z = 565 (M {}^{81}Br)^{+}, 485 (M 2 Br)^{2+}, 185.17.$
- e The corresponding iodide, 3e' (mp 159°C), and the correspon-
- ding tetraphenylborate, 3e'' (mp $153\,^{\circ}$ C), were obtained by ion exchange with NaI in H_2O and with NaBPh₄ in MeOH, respectively. These products were analyzed (Footnote b): 3e', $C_{26}H_{26}IN_2P$ (524.4); 3e'', $C_{50}H_{46}BN_2P$ (716.7).
- The corresponding tetraphenylborate, 3f', was obtained by ion exchange with NaBPh₄ in MeOH; mp 189 °C. This product was analyzed (Footnote b).
- The reaction was carried out in MeCN.
- h The salt 3k was extracted with MeOH (Soxhlet apparatus) and recrystallized.

Table 2. IR-, ¹H-NMR-, ¹³C-NMR and ³¹P-NMR-Spectral Data of Compounds 3

Com- pound	IR (KBr) ν (cm ⁻¹)	¹ H-NMR (CDCl ₃ /TMS) of the Amino Groups δ , J (Hz)	$^{13}\text{C-NMR} \; (\text{CDCl}_3/\text{TMS})^{\text{a, b}} \ \delta_{\text{PhP, amino group}}, J \; (\text{Hz})$	31 P-NMR (CHCl ₃ / 85% H ₃ PO _{4 ext}) δ
3a	3400, 1660, 1120, 1090, 730, 690	0.57–1.93 (m, 14H, $2C_3H_7$), 2.70–3.33 (ddt, 4H, $J = 7$, $J_{HP} = 7$, 2NCH ₂), 6.57 (dt, 2H, $J = 7$, $J_{HP} = 14$, 2NH)	14.1 (C ⁴), 20.4 (C ³), 33.6 (6.3, C ²), 41.1 (1.8, Y ¹), 123.9 (124.9, <i>i</i>), 129.8 (13.6, <i>m</i>), 133.1 (11.3, <i>o</i>), 134.3 (2.9, <i>p</i>)	+ 37.5°
3b	3430, 1160, 1050, 920, 750, 690	1.2 (d, 6H, $J = 7$, 2CH ₃), 3.0–3.83 (m, 2H, 2NCH), 6.47 (dd, 2H, $J = 11$, $J_{HP} = 15$)	25.1 (4.8, C ²), 44.0 (Y ¹)°, 124.7 (125.4, <i>i</i>), 129.5 (13.8, <i>m</i>), 133.4 (11.4, <i>o</i>), 134.2 (<i>p</i>)°	+ 33.7
3c	3430, 1620, 1100, 1065, 1020, 1000, 750	1.35 (s, 18H, 6CH ₃), 6.33 (d, 2H, J_{HP} = 15, 2NH)	31.9 (4.3, C ²), 55.6 (3.1, Y ¹), 126.8 (123.3, <i>i</i>), 129.7 (13.7, <i>n</i>), 133.5 (11.6, <i>o</i>), 134.3 (3.0, <i>p</i>)	+ 25.9
3'd	3400, 1120, 1090, 730, 690	$3.2 \text{ (m, 8 H, 4 NCH}_2), 7.28 \text{ (m, 4 H, } J_{HP} = 12.7, 4 \text{ NH})$	42.8 (Y ¹) ^e , 123.3 (126.4, <i>i</i>), 131.1 (13.6, <i>m</i>), 134.2 (11.3, <i>o</i>), 136.0 (<i>p</i>) ^e	+36.3 (CHCl ₃ /MeOH)
3e	3450, 1585, 1120, 1060, 1030, 730, 690	4.13 (dd, 4H, $J = 7$, $J_{HP} = 12$), 2NCH ₂), 6.28-6.8 (dt, 2H, $J = 7$, $J_{HP} = 14$, 2NH)	44.3 (Y¹)°, 123.3 (126.4, i), 129.6 (13.8, m), 133.2 (11.4, o), 134.4 (p)°, 138.7 (4.6,C²) ^f	+ 38.1 ^d
3f	3400, 1120, 1040, 730, 690	7.09 (m, 2H, 2NH), 7.25–8.20 (m, 10H, 2NC ₆ H ₅)	122.0 (7.5, C ²), 123.3 (128.3, <i>i</i>), 125.2 (C ⁴), 130.7 (C ³), 131.1 (14.0, <i>m</i>), 133.8 (11.6, <i>o</i>), 136.2 (<i>p</i>)*, 139.3 (Y ¹)	+ 27.4 (CHCl ₃ /MeOH)
3g	3450, 1640, 1125, 1050, 750, 690	3.4–3.93 (ddd, 4H, $J = 6$, 7, $J_{HP} = 11$, 2NCH ₂), 4.97 (dd, 2H, $J = 10.2$, 1.3, 2CH ₂ CH=CH $_{trans}$), 5.13 (dd, 2H, $J = 17$, 1.3, 2CH ₂ CH=CH $_{cis}$), 5.63–6.33 (ddt, 2H, $J = 17$, 10.2, 6, 2CH=CH ₂), 6.53–7.13 (dt, 2H, $J = 7$, $J_{HP} = 14.5$, 2NH)	43.4 (Y¹)°, 117.5 (C³), 123.7 (126.3, i), 129.7 (13.7, m), 133.1 (11.4, o), 134.4 (2.8, p), 135.1 (5.9, C²)	+ 38.4
3h	1740, 1160	1.3 (t, 6H, $J = 7.15$, 2CH ₃), 3.83 (dd, 4H, $J = 6.9$, $J_{HP} = 13.3$, 2NCH ₂), 4.20 (q, 4H, $J = 7.15$, 2OCH ₂), 6.75 (dt, 2H, $J = 6.9$, $J_{HP} = 13.4$, 2NH)	14.4 (C ⁴), 42.8 (Y ¹)°, 62.1 (C ³), 122.5 (128.8, <i>i</i>), 130.2 (14.0, <i>m</i>), 133.3 (11.5, <i>o</i>), 135.1 (<i>p</i>)°, 170.6 (5.7, C ²)	+ 40.3
3i	1120, 1035, 925, 750, 700	0.7–1.8 (m, 28H, 4C ₃ H ₇), 2.7–3.4 (m, 8H, 4NCH ₂)	14.0 (C ⁴), 20.4 (C ³), 31.2 (C ²) ^e , 48.2 (2.9, Y ¹), 121.4 (123.8, <i>i</i>), 130.7 (13.4, <i>m</i>), 133.4 (10.6, <i>o</i>), 136.1 (2.8, <i>p</i>)	+ 53.5
3ј	3060, 1600, 1115, 1215, 740, 680	$0.45-1.80$ (m, $14H$, $2C_3H_7$), $2.85-3.40$ (m, $4H$, $2NC\underline{H}_2-C_3H_7$), 4.6 (d, $4H$, $2NC\underline{H}_2-C_6H_5$)	13.8 (C ⁴), 20.2 (C ³), 30.3 (C ²) ^e , 49.2 (Y ¹) ^e , 51.5 (C ¹) ^e , 121.4 (123.5, <i>i</i>), 130.7 (13.5, <i>m</i>), 134.2 (10.8, <i>o</i>), 135.8 (p) ^e , 138 (C ²) ^{e, f}	+ 53.8
3k	3450, 1600, 1120, 685, 740	6.6-8.35 (m, 10H, NC_6H_5), 8.50 (s, 2H, $2NH-NHPh$), 9.30 (d, 2H, $J = 31, 2NH-NHPh$)	114.7 (C ³), 121.4 (C ⁵), 121.9 (129.8, <i>i</i>), 130.2 (C ⁴), 130.8 (13.2, <i>m</i>), 134.0 (10.3, <i>o</i>), 136.1 (<i>p</i>)*, 149.6 (8.7, C ²)	+ 37.8 (DMSO)

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- b 3c in CDCl₃/MeOH; 3'd, 3f and 3k in DMSO-d₆.
- ^c Corresponding iodide 2a': +37.9.
- d Corresponding iodide 2e': +38.4
- ^e J is not detected using a 250 MHz spectrometer.
- ^f Other chemical shifts of 3e: 127.7 (1), 128.7 (4); and of compound 3j: 126.7 (1), 128.5 (4).

Chlorodiphenylphosphine and the amines were purchased from Prolabo or Aldrich Chemical Co. and were used after distillation under N₂. Bromine was purchased from Prolabo Chemical Co. and was dried before use by shaking with conc. H₂SO₄. Dichloromethane and acetonitrile were freshly dried and distilled. IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 377 Infrared spectrophotometer. ¹H-NMR spectra were obtained using a Varian EM 360 spectrometer, with the exception of the spectra of compounds 3e, 3f and 3h obtained on a Bruker AC 250 MHz spectrometer. ³¹P-NMR were obtained using a Bruker WP 80 MHz spectrometer.

Diaminophosphonium Salts 3a-j; General Procedure:

To a solution of chlorodiphenylphosphine (27 mL, 0.15 mol) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (150 mL), under N_2 , a solution of Br_2 (7.6 mL, 0.15 mol) in CH_2Cl_2 (50 mL) is added dropwise over 60 min. Then, either a solution of the amine (0.6 mol) (Procedure A) or a mixture of the amine (0.3 mol) and NEt_3 (30.36 g, 0.3 mol) (Procedure B) in CH_2Cl_2 (100 mL) is added at 0°C over 2 h, and efficient stirring is

continued at 20 °C for 2 to 96 h (Table 1). The phosphonium salt 3 is isolated either by filtration or by evaporation of the solvent, and then recrystallized (Table 1, 2).

Diaminophosphonium Salt 3k:

To a solution of chlorodiphenylphosphine (10.76 mL, 580 mmol) in anhydrous CH_2Cl_2 (100 mL) under N_2 , a solution of Br_2 (2.95 mL, 580 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (30 mL) is added dropwise over 60 min at 20 °C. A solution of phenylhydrazine (25 mL, 250 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (150 mL) is then added over 2 h at 0 °C and stirring is continued at r.t. for 3 d. The mixture is filtered to give a pinkish solid which is suspended and stirred in water (300 mL), dried, and then extracted with MeOH in a soxhlet apparatus. (Table 1, 2).

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