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LETTERS

TO THE EDITOR

Recyclization of Acylation Products of 2-Aryl-5-hydrazino-4-(dialkoxyphosphoryl)oxazoles

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We found recently that phosphorus-containing enamides of the general formula

Cl₂C=C(NHCOR)P(O)(OAlk)₂

readily react with excess hydrazine hydrate to give

4-phosphorylated derivatives of 2-alkyl(aryl)-5-hydrazinooxazoles I [1]. Here we report that compounds I can be converted by easy reactions (see scheme) to 2,5-disubstituted 1,3,4-oxadiazoles containing the CH(NHCOR)P(O)(OAlk)₂ group in the side chain.



Probably, the reacting species in recyclization are not the aromatic oxazole derivatives **II** but their prototropic tautomers **III** containing the 2-oxazoline ring, because this ring can be cleaved under mild conditions with water or ethanol to form intermediates **IV** or **V** capable of intramolecular cyclocondensation. The transformation **IV** \rightarrow **VI** resembles the cyclization of many other *N*,*N*'-diacyl derivatives of hydrazine [2]. The IR and ¹H and ¹³C NMR data are consistent with the structure of the final products of recyclization **II** \rightarrow **VI**. For example, in the ¹H NMR spectra of compounds **VIa** and **VIb** the doublet of doublets at δ 6.25–6.35 ppm can be assigned to the methine proton of the –NH–CH–P(O)< group. Also, the ¹³C NMR spectrum of **VIb** contains two downfield signals (δ > 164 ppm) of the C² and C⁵ atoms of the electron-deficient 1,3,4-oxadiazole ring. The other evidences of structure **VI** and possible applications of the new recyclization will be discussed in subsequent papers.

4-Dimethoxyphosphoryl-5-(2-*p*-toluylhydrazino)-2-phenyloxazole IIa. To a solution of 4 mmol of Ia [1] in 10 ml of acetonitrile we added 4.4 mmol of triethylamine and 4 mmol of *p*-toluyl chloride. The resulting mixture was left for 24 h at 20–25°C, and the precipitate was filtered off, washed with water, combined with the product obtained from filtrate, and used for subsequent syntheses without additional purification. Yield 80%, mp 165–166°C. Found, %: N 10.35; P 7.60. C₁₉H₂₀N₃O₅P. Calculated, %: N 10.47; P 7.72.

4-Dimethoxyphosphoryl-5-(2-*p***-toluylhydrazino)-2-***p***-chlorophenyloxazole IIb** was prepared similarly. Yield 83%, mp 170–171°C. ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 2.38 s (3H, CH₃), 3.67 d (6H, 2CH₃O, ${}^{3}J_{HP}$ 12.0 Hz), 7.30–7.80 m (8H, 2C₆H₄), 8.77 br.s (1H, NH), 10.75 br.s (1H, NHCO). Found, %: Cl 8.05; P 6.99. C₁₉H₁₉ClN₃O₅P. Calculated, %: Cl 8.14; P 7.11.

2-[Dimethoxyphosphoryl(benzoylamino)]methyl-5-*p***-tolyl-1,3,4-oxadiazole VIa.** A solution of 1 mmol of **IIa** in 10 ml of 80% aqueous ethanol was refluxed for 0.5 h, and the precipitate was filtered off and recrystallized from aqueous ethanol. Yield 80%, mp 132–133°C. ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 2.40 s (3H, CH₃), 3.82 m (6H, 2CH₃O), 6.35 d.d (1H, NCHP, ³*J*_{HH} 8.6 Hz, ²*J*_{HP} 21.4 Hz), 7.20–8.00 (9H, C₆H₄, C₆H₅), 9.71 d (1H, NH, ³*J*_{HH} 8.6 Hz). Found, %: C 56.55; H 4.95; N 10.30; P 7.62. C₁₉H₂₀N₃O₅P. Calculated, %: C 56.86; H 5.02; N 10.47; P 7.72. **2-[Dimethoxyphosphoryl**(*p*-chlorobenzoylamino)]methyl-5-*p*-tolyl-1,3,4-oxadiazole VIb was prepared under the same conditions as VIa. Yield 86%, mp 150–151°C. ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 2.40 s (3H, CH₃), 3.82 m (6H, 2CH₃O), 6.27 d.d (1H, NCHP, ³J_{HH} 8.6 Hz, ²J_{HP} 21.4 Hz), 7.40–8.00 m (8H, 2C₆H₄), 9.68 br.s (1H, NH). ¹³C NMR spectrum, δ_C, ppm: 21.11 (CH₃), 43.79 (CH), 53.90, 54.19 (2CH₃O), 120.17, 131.61, 136.85, 142.49 (C_{*i*, *p*}, Ph), 126.55, 128.44, 129.88, 130.03 (C_{*o*, *m*}, Ph), 161.05 (C=O), 164.82, 165.60 (C²=N, C⁵=N). Found, %: Cl 8.05; N 9.72; P 7.02. C₁₉H₁₉ClN₃O₅P. Calculated, %: Cl 8.14; N 9.64; P 7.11.

The ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian VXR-300 spectrometer in DMSO- d_6 relative to TMS.

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