



Totally diastereoselective synthesis of a new chiral quinoline diazaphospholidine ligand and its derivatives

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Abstract—QUIPHOS-PN5, a new stable P,N ligand with a stereogenic phosphorus centre was synthesised in two steps from 8-bromoquinoline (61% yield). Its structure and its bidentate chelating ability was confirmed by the X-ray structure of a palladium(II) complex with this ligand. P(V) derivatives of QUIPHOS-PN5 were then easily obtained in excellent yields (85–100%). © 2002 Elsevier Science Ltd. All rights reserved.

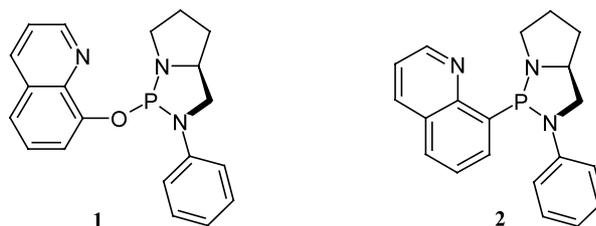
Chiral organophosphorus compounds found broad applications in asymmetric catalysis as ligands of transition metals¹ or as catalysts.² By adding a coordinating nitrogen atom to these structures, we obtained hybrid bidentate and unsymmetrical P,N ligands, interesting because of the different electronic properties of phosphorus and nitrogen atom which might enhance both the catalyst activity and the enantioselectivity.³ Oxidised phosphorus ($P\lambda^5\sigma^4$) have demonstrated their efficiency, mainly as catalyst in asymmetric catalysis.^{2,4}

We previously described the synthesis of QUIPHOS **1**, a stable P,N six-membered ring chelate ligand with a stereogenic phosphorus atom.⁵ This ligand is efficient in asymmetric catalysis, associated to palladium in allylic alkylation (ee up to 85%)⁶ and allylic amination (ee up to 93%)⁷ or to copper in Diels–Alder reaction (ee up to >98%)⁸ and conjugate addition (ee up to 61%).⁹

To evaluate the electronic differentiation and the bite angle effects¹⁰ of the P,N bidentate ligand in different asymmetric catalytic reactions catalysed by transition metal complexes, we report in this letter an efficient synthesis of **2**. This ligand, called QUIPHOS-PN5 is an analogue of **1** and is able to form five-membered ring chelate. Moreover, the stability of the ligand was expected to increase by replacing the hydrolysable P–O bond by a stable P–C one.

Keywords: chiral bidentate P,N ligand; phosphine oxide; phosphine sulphide; iminophosphorane; palladium complex.

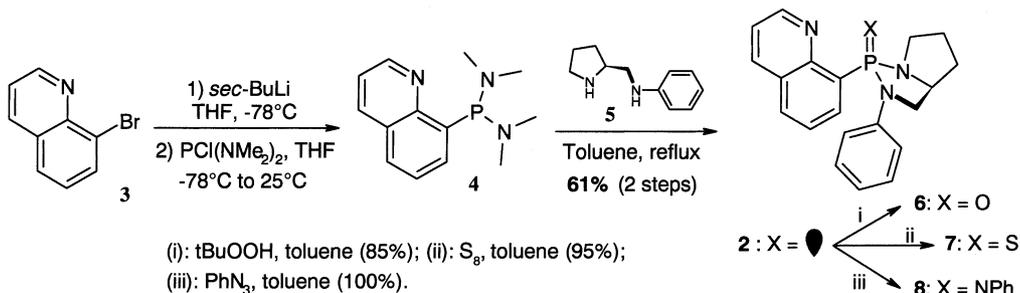
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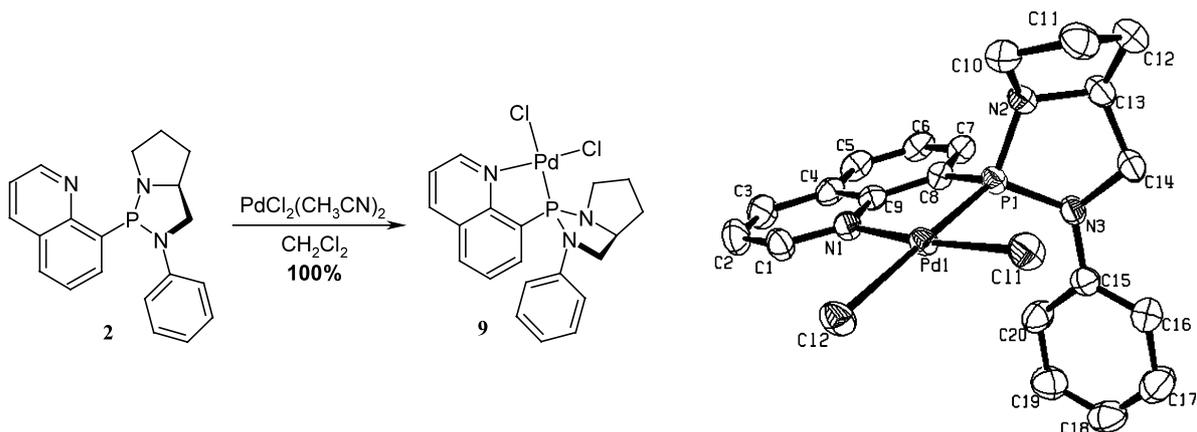
QUIPHOS-PN5 **2** was easily obtained in two steps from 8-bromoquinoline **3** in 61% overall yield (Scheme 1). 8-Lithioquinoline generated in situ with *sec*-butyllithium¹¹ was trapped by chlorobis(dimethylamino)phosphine¹¹ to form 8-(bis(dimethylamino)phosphine)quinoline **4**.¹² A totally diastereoselective exchange reaction between **4** and (*S*)-anilinomethylpyrrolidine⁵ **5** afforded QUIPHOS-PN5 **2** characterised as the thermodynamic *anti*-diastereomer.¹³

The chiral oxide diazaphospholidine **6** and the corresponding phosphine sulphide **7** were prepared, respectively, by action of *t*-butyl hydroperoxide and sulphur with **2** in 100 and 95% chemical yields. By the same way, the reaction of phenyl azide with **2** leads to the chiral iminodiazaphospholidine¹⁴ **8** in 85% chemical yield. This new compound has two different basic amine sites closely positioned and may accept a proton between the nitrogens.

Complex **9** was obtained in quantitative yield by mixing an equimolar amount of $PdCl_2(CH_3CN)_2$ and ligand **2** in methylene chloride (Scheme 2). Crystallisation from toluene afforded **9** as pale brown crystals stable to air and moisture. X-Ray diffraction analysis confirms the chelating ability of ligand **2** towards palladium and the



Scheme 1.



Scheme 2. Structure of **9**, showing labelling scheme. Selected bond distances (Å): Pd1–Cl1=2.30 (12), Pd1–Cl2=2.40 (12), Pd1–P1=2.18 (13), Pd1–N1=2.07 (3). Selected angle (°): P1–Pd1–N1=85.8. Selected dihedral angles (°): Cl2–Pd1–Cl1–P1=178.6, Cl2–Pd1–Cl1–N1=–177.8.

S_p absolute configuration of the phosphorus ($\sigma^3\lambda^3$) atom.¹⁵ A classical square planar geometry is observed for this Pd(II) complex (bite angle:¹⁶ P1–Pd1–N1=85.8, Cl2–Pd1–Cl1–P1=178.6 and Cl2–Pd1–Cl1–N1=–177.8°). Moreover, the Pd–Cl bond lengths are significantly different from one another, the chlorine atom *trans* to phosphorus displaying the expected longer distance (Pd1–Cl2=2.40 (12) Å) as compared to its partner *trans* to nitrogen (Pd1–Cl1=2.30 (12) Å). This is the expression of the higher *trans* influence of the phosphine ligand.¹⁷

In conclusion, we have reported the easy synthesis of a new stable chiral P,N ligand and three of its derivatives in good to excellent yields. The optimisation of the synthesis of the key intermediate **4** allows us to modify the nature of the chiral auxiliary. Applications of the four new compounds **2**, **6–8** as ligands or catalysts in asymmetric catalysis are in progress.

Experimental

8-(Bis(dimethylamino)phosphine)quinoline 4: Under argon, *sec*-BuLi (1.1N in hexanes, 8.7 mL, 9.61 mmol) was dropwise added to a cooled solution (–78°C) of 8-hydroxyquinoline (2 g, 9.61 mmol) in dry THF (25 mL). After stirring for 5 min, a solution of $ClP(NMe_2)_2$ (1.78 g, 11.54 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was added and the solution was allowed to warm to rt. After stirring 12 h at rt, the mixture was evaporated and the residue was

taken up in a mixture of Et_2O (100 mL) and a solution of EDTA/0.5N NaOH (1:4.2, 20 mL). After stirring for 5 min, the two layers were separated. The organic layer was washed with water (2×10 mL), dried (Na_2SO_4), filtered and evaporated to give **4** as an orange oil (2.35 g) and enough pure for the synthesis of **2**, 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 8.76 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.8, 3.9), 7.90 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.5, 8.1), 7.70 (ddd, 1H, *J* 1.8, 3.0, 7.2), 7.54 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.5, 8.1), 7.35 (dt, 1H, *J* 1.2, 6.9), 7.16 (dd, 1H, *J* 4.2, 8.1), 2.58 (d, 12H, *J* 9.9); ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 149.0 (d, *J* 1.1), 148.8, 139.8 (d, *J* 12.1), 135.6 (d, *J* 1.7), 131.8 (d, *J* 5.2), 127.7 (d, *J* 1.7), 127.6 (d, *J* 1.1), 125.8, 120.4, 41.5 (d, *J* 17.8); ^{31}P NMR ($CDCl_3$): δ (ppm) 98.3.

(2*R*,5*S*)-3-Phenyl-2-(8-quinolyle)-1,3-diaza-2-phosphabicyclo-[3.3.0]-octane 2: A solution of (*S*)-anilinoethylpyrrolidine **5** (1.42 g, 8.08 mmol) and **4** (2 g, 8.08 mmol) in dry toluene (4 mL) was refluxed for 2 h under argon and then evaporated. The residue was taken up in dry Et_2O (13 mL), filtered and washed with Et_2O to give **2** as a white powder (1.63 g, 61% from **3**), mp 191°C, $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -486.5$ (*c* 0.5, CH_2Cl_2), 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 8.80 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.2, 3.9), 7.92 (d, 1H, *J* 8.1), 7.57 (d, 1H, *J* 8.1), 7.23–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.23 (m, 2H), 7.01 (t, 2H, *J* 7.8), 6.72 (d, 2H, *J* 7.8), 6.57 (t, 1H, *J* 7.4), 3.78–3.86 (m, 1H), 3.55 (t, 1H, *J* 8.0), 3.19–3.39 (m, 2H), 3.02 (td, 1H, *J* 2.1, 8.6), 1.61–1.96 (m, 4H), ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$): δ (ppm, *J* Hz)

149.9 (d, *J* 15.9), 149.7 (d, *J* 1.7), 147.0 (d, *J* 15.4), 139.2 (d, *J* 26.0), 136.0 (d, *J* 1.1), 130.4 (d, *J* 2.8), 129.0, 128.9 (d, *J* 1.2), 128.4 (d, *J* 1.1), 126.0, 121.0, 117.5, 115.2 (d, *J* 13.2), 63.9 (d, *J* 8.5), 53.8 (d, *J* 4.8), 52.4 (d, *J* 30.0), 30.5, 25.5 (d, *J* 6.0), ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 97.4. Anal. calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₃P: C, 72.06; H, 6.05; N, 12.60. Found: C, 72.14; H, 6.09; N, 12.60%.

(2*R*,5*S*)-3-Phenyl-2-(8-quinolyle)-1,3-diaza-2-phosphabicyclo-[3.3.0]-octane-2-oxide 6: Under argon, *t*BuOOH (5.5N solution in toluene, 164 μL, 0.9 mmol) was carefully added to an ice cooled solution of **5** (0.301 g, 0.9 mmol) in dry toluene (10 mL). After stirring for 30 min at 0°C, the mixture was evaporated to give **6** as a brown solid (0.315 g, 100%), mp 193°C, [α]_D²⁰ = -202 (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂), ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 8.76 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.7, 4.3), 8.53 (ddd, 1H, *J* 1.5, 7.0, 15.6), 7.86 (td, 1H, *J* 2.0, 8.3), 7.69 (td, 1H, *J* 1.2, 8.3), 7.41 (ddd, 1H, *J* 3.0, 7.0, 8.0), 7.16 (dd, 1H, *J* 4.0, 8.0), 6.92–7.05 (m, 4H), 6.61 (tt, 1H, *J* 1.5, 6.8), 4.07–4.28 (m, 2H), 3.79–3.97 (m, 1H), 3.40–3.48 (m, 1H), 2.81–2.99 (m, 1H), 1.66–2.12 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 150.5, 148.6, (d, *J* 5.7), 142.7 (d, *J* 7.2), 139.0 (d, *J* 8.4), 136.6 (d, *J* 1.9), 133.6–130.4 (d, *J* 162.5), 132.6 (d, *J* 3.0), 129.1, 128.6 (d, *J* 9.5), 126.1 (d, *J* 15.7), 121.56, 120.18, 116.2 (d, *J* 4.6), 60.0 (d, *J* 6.1), 50.1 (d, *J* 15.7), 45.8, 34.1, 27.0 (d, *J* 2.6); ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 27.7. Anal. calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₃OP: C, 68.76; H, 5.77; N, 12.03. Found: C, 68.87; H, 5.77; N, 11.87%.

(2*R*,5*S*)-3-Phenyl-2-(8-quinolyle)-1,3-diaza-2-phosphabicyclo-[3.3.0]-octane-2-sulphide 7: Under argon at rt, sulphur (28.8 mg, 0.899 mmol) was added to a solution of **5** (0.3 g, 0.899 mmol) in dry toluene (10 mL). This solution was stirred for 30 min, then evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 3:2) to give **7** as a red-brown solid (312 mg, 95%), mp 220°C, [α]_D²⁰ = +7.14 (c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂), ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 8.91 (ddd, 1H, *J* 1.5, 7.3, 20.2), 8.77 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.7, 4.0), 7.94 (td, 1H, *J* 2.0, 8.3), 7.77 (td, 1H, *J* 1.5, 8.0), 7.49 (td, 1H, *J* 3.0, 7.3), 7.20 (dd, 1H, *J* 8.3, 4.2), 6.91–7.04 (m, 4H), 6.62 (tt, 1H, *J* 1.2, 7.0), 4.30–4.55 (m, 1H), 4.18 (q, 1H, *J* 8.0), 3.95–4.14 (m, 1H), 3.44–3.54 (m, 1H), 2.73–2.92 (m, 1H), 1.62–2.19 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 150.3, 147.5 (d, *J* 3.4), 142.7 (d, *J* 7.2), 140.7 (d, *J* 16.1), 136.8, 136.1–133.7 (d, *J* 124.9), 133.0 (d, *J* 3.0), 129.0, 128.6 (d, *J* 8.0), 126.0 (d, *J* 18.0), 121.6, 120.5, 116.6 (d, *J* 5.7), 62.2 (d, *J* 4.2), 52.5 (d, *J* 12.6), 46.8 (d, *J* 3.8), 33.8 (d, *J* 1.9), 27.4 (d, *J* 3.4), ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 75.9. Anal. calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₃PS: C, 65.74; H, 5.52; N, 11.50. Found: C, 65.69; H, 5.47; N, 11.29%.

(2*R*,5*S*)-3-Phenyl-2-(8-quinolyle)-1,3-diaza-2-phosphabicyclo-[3.3.0]-octane-2-phenylimino 8: Under argon, phenyl azide (63 mg, 0.531 mmol) was added to an ice cooled solution of **5** (154 mg, 0.469 mmol) in toluene (5 mL). The solution was stirring at rt for 30 min, then at 60°C overnight. The solvent was evaporated and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate, 2:8) to afford **8** as a yellow solid (192 mg, 85%), mp 80°C, [α]_D²⁰ = +3.5

(c 0.5, CH₂Cl₂), ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 8.86 (dd, 1H, *J* 1.7, 4.2), 8.71 (d, 1H, *J* 7.5), 8.40 (ddd, 1H, *J* 1.5, 7.0, 15.6), 8.13 (td, 1H, *J* 2.0, 8.3), 7.82 (td, 1H, *J* 1.2, 8.0), 7.48 (dd, 1H, *J* 2.2, 8.0), 7.43 (dd, 1H, *J* 4.2, 8.3), 7.11–7.22 (m, 3H), 7.0 (td, 2H, *J* 1.0, 7.3), 6.85 (m, 1H), 6.53 (td, 1H, *J* 1.0, 7.3), 6.34 (dt, 2H, *J* 0.7, 7.5), 4.17–4.38 (m, 1H), 3.12–3.30 (m, 1H), 2.81–3.03 (m, 3H), 1.38–1.70 (m, 4H), ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 150.2, 148.8, 147.2 (d, *J* 7.2), 141.6, 138.1, 136.3 (d, *J* 6.9), 132.9–130.0 (d, *J* 148.7), 132.3 (d, *J* 3.0), 129.7, 129.4, 128.6 (d, *J* 9.9), 127.1, 126.9, 121.8 (d, *J* 3.0), 119.25 (d, *J* 6.9), 117.0, 112.9, 58.6 (d, *J* 3.8), 49.4, 47.3 (d, *J* 4.9), 30.6 (d, *J* 5.7), 25.6 (d, *J* 6.5), ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 18.2.

[PdCl₂(QUIPHOS-PN5)] 9: Under argon, **5** (55.39 mg, 0.166 mmol) was added to a solution of PdCl₂(MeCN)₂ (43.10 mg, 0.166 mmol) in dry dichloromethane (5 mL). The solution was stirred for 10 min, then evaporated to give **9** as a yellow solid (84.9 mg, 100%), mp 253°C, [α]_D²⁰ = +180 (c 0.1, CH₂Cl₂), ¹H NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm, *J* Hz) 10.45 (d, 1H, *J* 5.3), 8.51 (d, 1H, *J* 8.3), 8.06–8.18 (m, 2H), 7.66–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.09–7.12 (m, 4H), 6.91–6.99 (m, 1H), 4.25–4.46 (m, 2H), 3.78–4.10 (m, 2H), 2.99–3.17 (m, 1H), 2.31–2.52 (m, 1H), 1.95–2.21 (m, 3H), ³¹P NMR (CDCl₃): δ (ppm) 103.3.

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