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The organophosphorus compounds that we had synthesized previously, which contained the pyrrolidine ring in the molecule, exhibited interesting physiological properties in a number of cases [1, 2]. As an expansion of these studies we prepared a number of phosphorus acid esters that contained the pyrrolidine ring in the ester (ethyl) radical.

The dialkyl β -pyrrolidinoethyl phosphites were obtained by the reaction of β -pyrrolidinoethanol with the acid chlorides of dialkylphosphorous acids in the presence of Et₃N.

 $(RO)_2PCl + HOCH_2CH_2N + Et_3N \rightarrow (RO)_2POCH_2CH_2N + Et_3N \cdot HCl$

 $Tri(\beta$ -pyrrolidinoethyl) phosphite and the alkyl di(β -pyrrolidinoethyl) phosphites were obtained in a similar manner from the acid chlorides of phosphorous and alkylphosphorous acids. The yields, physical constants, and analyses of the obtained compounds are given in Table 1. The dialkyl β -pyrrolidinoethyl phosphites react with alkyl halides to give, after heating in a scaled tube at 60-70° for 4 h, compounds that, based on the elemental analysis and the NMR and IR spectral data, were assigned the structure of the salts of quaternary ammonium bases.



The ³¹P NMR spectra have one signal with $\rho = -136$ ppm (R-C₂H₅) and $\rho = -140$ ppm (R-C₄H₉), which is characteristic for the phosphite grouping [3]. The absorption band of the P=O group (1170-1310 cm⁻¹) is absent in the IR spectra.

In order to obtain the β -pyrrolidinoethyl esters of pentavalent phosphorus acids we studied the reaction of dipropyl β -pyrrolidinoethyl phosphite with chloral. In this case the starting phosphite undergoes Perkov rearrangement, but instead of the expected product (I) we isolated dipropyl 2, 2-dichlorovinyl phosphate (II).



The structure of (II) is confirmed by its elemental analysis and IR spectrum, which has the absorption bands of the groups (cm⁻¹): P-O-C (1025-1050), CCl₂ 820, C=C 1650 and P=O 1270. The alkyl di(β -pyrrolidinoethyl) phosphites also react vigorously with chloral, but the product decomposes when its isolation by distillation is attempted.

EXPERIMENTAL METHOD

Diethyl β -Pyrrolidinoethyl Phosphite. With stirring, to a benzene solution of 11 g of β -pyrrolidinoethanol and 10.5 g of Et₃N at -2° was added 15 g of diethylphosphorous chloride in drops. After removal

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| Compound | Yield, % | Bp, °C (p, mm of Hg) | d ²⁰ 4 | n_{D}^{20} | Found/calculated | | |
|--|-------------|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| | | | | | MR | Р, % | N, % |
| | 72 | 65(0,04) | 1,0104 | 1,4548 | <u>62,81</u> 63,19 | $\frac{13,01}{13,33}$ | $\frac{5,79}{5,96}$ |
| (C₃H7O)₂PR | 66 | 77—78(0,03) | 0,9843 | 1,4560 | 72,64 | $\frac{11,55}{11,78}$ | $\frac{5,29}{5,34}$ |
| (C4H9O)2PR | 65 | 95—96(0,03) | 0,9719 | 1,4562 | <u>81,39</u> 81,71 | $\frac{10,54}{10,65}$ | $\frac{4,75}{4,81}$ |
| $C_2H_5OPR_2$ | 61 | 104—105(0,03) | 1,0324 | 1,4798 | 83,66 83,45 | $\frac{10,32}{10,19}$ | $9,44 \over 9,21$ |
| C ₄ H ₉ OPR ₂ | 54 | 138(0,03) | 1,0116 | 1,4779 | <u>92,83</u> 92,69 | <u>9,57</u> 9,33 | $\frac{8,29}{8,43}$ |
| PR ₃ | 57 | 155—156(0,03) | 1,0497 | 1,4950 | $\frac{104.5}{103.67}$ | $\frac{8,37}{8,26}$ | $\frac{11,19}{11,26}$ |
| <u>Note</u> , $R = $ NCH ₂ CH ₂ O. | | | | | | | |

TABLE 1. β -Pyrrolidinoethyl Phosphites

of the $Et_2N \cdot HCl$ and solvent the residue was vacuum-distilled twice to give 14.9 g (72%) of product. The other compounds, listed in Table 1, were obtained in a similar manner from the corresponding phosphorous and alkylphosphorous chlorides in the presence of Et_3N .

<u>Reaction of Diethyl β -Pyrrolidinoethyl Phosphite with EtI.</u> A mixture of 1 g of the phosphite and 0.65 g of EtI was heated in a sealed tube at 60-65° for 4 h. We obtained 1.5 g (93%) of product, which after washing with ether had mp 56-58°. Found: C 36.90; H 7.11; I 31.73; N 3.56; P 7.62%. C₁₂H₂₇INO₃P. Calculated: C 36.85; H 6.91; I 32.48; N 3.57; P 6.91%.

From 2 g of dibutyl β -pyrrolidinoethyl phosphite and 1.5 g of BuI under the same conditions we obtained 2.25 g (70%) of product, which after washing with ether had mp 83-84°. Found: C 45.55; H 8.05; I 26.28; N 3.19; P 6.32%. C₁₈H₃₉INO₃P. Calculated: C 45.47; H 8.21; I 26.73; N 2.95; P 6.52%.

<u>Reaction of Dipropyl β -Pyrrolidinoethyl Phosphite with Chloral.</u> With stirring, to a benzene solution of 6 g of the phosphite at 50-70° was added 3.36 g of chloral in drops. After removal of the solvent and vacuum-distillation of the residue we obtained 3.9 g (61%) of dipropyl 2, 2-dichlorovinyl phosphate with bp 82° (0.06 mm), d_4^{20} 1.2221, n_D^{20} 1.4493 [4].

CONCLUSIONS

The β -pyrrolidinoethyl esters of trivalent phosphorus acids were obtained for the first time and some of their properties were studied.

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