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The crystalline N-di-n-propylboryl-N, N'-diphenylacetamidine (II) was obtained when a mixture of N, N-diphenylacetamidine (I) and tri-n-propylborane in THF was refluxed. Based on the data of the ¹¹B NMR spectra, this compound is associated (probably the dimer). The pyrolysis of (II) (at 230-280°C) leads to intramolecular cyclization, with the cleavage of propane (from the C₃H₇ group and the o-hydrogen of the phenylimino group) and the formation of 3-phenyl-4-n-propyl-2-methyl-3, 4-dihydro-4-boraquinoazoline (III), which is a number of a new type of heterocyclic boron compounds.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_{3}C & & & \\ NH & & & \\ \hline NH & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ & &$$

A solution of 28.5 g of (I) and 23.7 g of tri-n-propylborane in 30 ml of THF was refluxed until the propane evolution ceased, after which the THF and excess tri-n-propylborane were vacuum-distilled. The residue [crude (II)] was heated at 230-280° for 5 h (3.4 liters of propane was evolved, contaminated with a small amount of propylene). Distillation gave 21.0 g [60%, when based on (I)] of (III), bp 148-153° (1 mm), mp 70-75°. ¹¹B NMR spectrum at 180°: -44 ppm (standard = $\rm Et_2O \cdot BF_3$). NMR spectrum in CCl₄ (δ , ppm): 0.60-1.60 (C₃H₇, multiplet), 2.03 (CH₃, singlet), 6.72-8.05 (2-C₆H₅, multiplet). The structure of (III) was also confirmed by the elemental analysis and the mass and IR spectral data.

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