A Convenient Preparation of Bis(phosphorothioyl) Sulfides

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The reaction of piperidinium and potassium phosphorodithioates with 2-chloro-1-methyl-pyridinium salts afforded the corresponding bis(phosphorothioyl) sulfides in good yields. The similar reaction with potassium diphenylphosphorothioate gave exclusively bis(diphenylphosphorothioyl) oxide.

Introduction

In general, bis(phosphorothioyl) sulfides (3) which are effective as fungicides [1, 2], cannot be obtained from O,O'-dialkyl or diarylphosphorodithioic acid salts with phosphorochloridothioate [3]. Therefore, several methods have been proposed for the preparation of 3 [4–9], and the following two methods have been employed mainly: a) Reaction of phosphorodithioic acid with aminosulfenyl chloride [5]. b) Desulfurization of bis(phosphorothioyl) disulfides by phosphine [6] or phosphites [8]. These methods, however, have some disadvantages such as limited availability of the starting aminosulfenvl chlorides or the difficult purification of the product 3. Recently, we have found that piperidinium dithiocarboxylates readily react with 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium salts to give the corresponding bis(thioacyl) sulfides in good yields [10]. This result stimulated us to develop an alternative, convenient preparation of the title compounds 3 from the reaction of piperidinium phosphorodithioates (1) with 2-chloro-1-methylpiperidinium salts (2).

Results and Discussion

When 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-toluenesulfonate was added to a solution of piperidinium O,O'-diphenylphosphorodithioate (1f) in dichloromethane, the reaction mixture gradually changed from colorless to yellow. After stirring for 1 h, usual workup of the mixture and then chromatographic separation gave bis(O,O'-diphenylphosphinothioyl) sulfide (3f) in 66% yield as colorless crystals. The

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reactions with other aliphatic and aromatic phosphorodithioates ($1\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{g}-\mathbf{i}$) under the same conditions yielded 60-80% of the corresponding bis(phosphorothioyl) sulfides ($3\mathbf{a}-\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{g}-\mathbf{i}$). Similar reactions with O,O'-diphenylphosphinodithioic acid potassium salts instead of the piperidinium salts ($1\mathbf{f}$) or with the iodides (2, X=I) instead of the p-toluenesulfonate provided analogous yields of 3, while the use of the silver and zinc salts led to 5 and 10%, respectively, because of their low solubility and/or reduced reactivity.

It is noted that the reaction of piperidinium diphenylphosphinothioate (7) with 2 afforded 40% of bis(diphenylphosphinothioyl) oxide (8) (eq. (2)).

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No formation of the possible diphenylphosphinothioyl sulfide (10) or bis(diphenylphosphinyl) sulfide (11) was detected. The reaction would proceed *via* the intermediate II, wich is attacked by the oxygen atom of diphenylphosphinothioate anion (7).

The structures of the products 3 and 8 were established by spectral data and microanalysis and/or by comparison with authentic samples.

Experimental

Melting points were determined using a Yanagimoto micro melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. The IR spectra were measured on a JASCO grating IR spectrometer IR-G. The ¹H and ³¹P NMR spectra were recorded on Hitachi R-20 (90 MHz) and JEOL-JNM-GX270 (270 MHz) with tetramethylsilane as internal standard. Mass spectra were taken by Hitachi RMN-6M mass spectrometer at an ionizing voltage of 20 eV. Elemental analyses were performed by the Elemental Analysis Center of Kyoto University.

Materials

Piperidinium O,O'-diaralkylphosphorodithioates (1) except for the O,O'-diethyl derivative (1a) [12] were prepared by slight modification of the method described in literature [13]. Their yields and physical properties are summarized in Table II. Potassium [14], silver [15] and zinc O,O'-diphenylphosphorodithioates [16], and potassium diphenylphosphinothioate [17] and diphenylphosphinodithioate [18] were prepared by the reaction of the corresponding phosphorothioic and -dithioic acids with

Table I. Yields and physical properties of bis(phosphorothioyl) sulfides (3).

	S S						
No.	$ \begin{array}{ccc} & \\ (RO)_2P - S - P(OR)_2 \\ R \end{array} $	Yield [%]	m.p. [°C]	IR (KBr) ν P=S [cm ⁻¹]	Mass ^a m/z	³¹ P NMR ^b [δ]	1 H NMR (CDCl ₃) $[\delta]$
3a	C_2H_5	77	70-72	650	338	+78.4	1.35 (t, 3H, CH ₃), 4.00 (qd,
3b	C_3H_7	65	oil	675°	394	+77.2	$J_{\text{POCH}} = 10 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}, \text{CH}_2$ $0.96 \text{ (t, 3H, CH}_3), 1.7 \text{ (m, 2H, CH}_2$) $3.98 \text{ (td, } J_{\text{POCH}} = 9 \text{ Hz}, 2\text{H}, \text{CH}_2\text{O}$
3 c	<i>i</i> -C ₃ H ₇	61	oil	635°	394	+76.0	1.40 (d, 6H, CH ₃), 4.83 (m, $J_{POCH} = 10 \text{ Hz}$, 1H, CHO)
3d	C_4H_9	63	oil	645°	450	+77.2	0.91 (t, 3H, CH ₃), 1.2–1.8 (m, 4H CH ₂), 4.10 (br, 2H, CH ₂ O)
3 e	cyclo-C ₆ H ₁₁	86	oil	660°	554	+76.3	1.5 and 1.8 (br, 10H, CH ₂), 4.6 (m, 1H, CHO)
3f	C_6H_5	66 60 ^d 5 ^e 10 ^f	131-133	645	530	+70.3	7.1–7.4 (m, Ar)
3g	$3-CH_3C_6H_4$	54	oil	645°	586	+70.4	2.28 (s, 3H, CH ₃), 6.70-7.40 (m, 4H, Ar)
3h 3i	4-CH ₃ C ₆ H ₄ 2-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	59 30	91-93 oil	645 640°	586 650	+71.4 +71.8	2.28 (s, 3H, CH ₃), 7.12 (bs, 4H, Ar 3.71 (s, 3H, CH ₃ O), 6.7–7.0 (m, 4H, Ar)
3j	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	75	146-148	640	650	+72.9	3.78 (s, 3H, CH ₃), 6.80 (d, 2H, Ar) 7.18 (d, 2H, Ar)
3k	$4-ClC_6H_4$	57	74 - 76	642	666	+70.1	6.75 (d, 2H, Ar), 7.13 (d, 2H, Ar)

^a 20 eV, 110 °C; ^b reference 85% H₃PO₄ (slovent: CH₂Cl₂); ^c neat; ^d using potassium O,O'-diphenylphosphinodithioate; ^e using zinc bis(O,O'-diphenylphosphinodithioate); ^f using silver O,O'-diphenylphosphinodithioate.

potassium bicarbonate, silver nitrate, or with zinc diacetate. 2-Chloro-1-methylpyridinium iodide and *p*-toluenesulfonate were commerical grade and used without further purification.

The preparations of bis(O,O'-diethylphosphorothioyl) (3a) and bis(O,O'-di-p-tolyl(phosphorothioyl)) sulfides (3h) are described in detail as typical procedure for the preparation of bis(phosphorothioyl) sulfides 3. The physical properties of 3 are summarized in Table I.

Bis(O,O'-diethylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3a)

2-Chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) was added to a solution of piperidinium O,O'-diethylphosphorodithioate (1a) (271 mg, 1 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 ml), and the reaction mixture was stirred at 30 °C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent by rotary evaporator, thin layer chromatography (TCL) of the residue [dichloromethane/hexane (1:5), $R_f = 0.60$], gave

130 mg (77%) of $\bf 3a$ as colorless crystals; m.p. 70-72 °C.

Bis(O, O'-di-propylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3b)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piperidinium O,O'-di-propylphosphorodithioate (**1b**) (299 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [dichloro-methane/hexane (1:2), $R_f = 0.51$], gave 128 mg (65%) of **3b** as a slightly yellow oil. Exact mass (70 eV) calcd for $C_{12}H_{28}O_4P_2S_3$; m/z 394.0624; found 394.0629.

Bis(O, O'-di-isopropylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3c)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piperidinium O,O'-di-isopropylphosphorodithioate (1c) (299 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [ethyl acetate/hexane (1:7), $R_f = 0.75$], gave 120 mg (61%) of 3c as a slightly yellow oil.

Table II. Yields and physical properties of piperidinium phosphorodithioates (1).

No.	Compounds R	Yield [%]	m.p. [°C]	$IR (KBr) \nu PS_2 [cm^{-1}]$	¹H NMR (CDCl ₃) [δ]	Recryst. solvent
1a	C_2H_5	73	55-57 57 [12]	825, 670	1.30 (t, 6H, CH ₃), 1.5–2.0 (br, 6H, CH ₂), 3.23 (t, 4H, CH ₂ N), 4.03 (qd, $J_{POCH} = 10 \text{ Hz}$, 4H,	Et ₂ O
1b	C_3H_7	87	50-52	825, 670	CH ₂), 7.5 (bs, 2H, ${}^{+}$ NH ₂) 0.98 (t, 6H, CH ₃), 1.5–2.0 (m, 10H, CH ₂), 3.3 (b, 4H, CH ₂ N), 3.87 (td, $J_{POCH} = 9$ Hz, 4H,	Et_2O
1c	i-C ₃ H ₇	84	114-116	815, 660	CH ₂ O), 8.6 (b, 2H, ${}^{+}$ NH ₂) 1.28 (d, 12H, CH ₃), 1.40–2.10 (m, 6H, CH ₂). 3.32 (t, 4H, CH ₂ N), 4.7 (m, $J_{POCH} = 10$ Hz, 2H,	AcOEt
1 d	C_4H_9	68	62-63	815, 670	CHO), 7.55 (br, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂) 0.85 (t, 6H, CH ₃), 1.2–1.8 (m, 14H, CH ₂), 3.1 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 3.95 (td, J _{POCH} = 9 Hz, 4H,	$CH_{2}Cl_{2}/C_{6}H_{14}$ (4:1)
1 e	cyclo-C ₆ H ₁₁	65	145-147	809, 665	CH ₂ O), 8.7 (br, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂) 1.2–2.2 (br, 26H, CH ₂), 3.35 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 4.4 (br, 2H, CHO), 8.8 (br, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂)	CH_2Cl_2/C_6H_{14} (6:1)
1f	C_6H_5	77	113-115	815, 655	1.4–2.0 (br, 6H, CH ₂), 3.0 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 7.0–7.5 (m, 10H, Ar), 8.12 (br, 2H, +NH ₂)	CH_2Cl_2/C_6H_{14} (6:1)
1 g	$3-CH_3C_6H_4$	80	124-127	800, 635	1.3–1.8 (m, 6H, CH ₂), 2.30 (s, 6H, CH ₃), 2.95 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 6.7–6.9 and 7.0–7.1 (m,	CH_2Cl_2/C_6H_{14} (6:1)
1h	$4\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$	73	138-140	800, 640	8H, Ar), 8.0 (b, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂) 1.3–1.8 (m, 6H, CH ₂), 2.38 (s, 6H, CH ₃), 2.9 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 6.9–7.3 (m, 8H, Ar),	CH ₂ Cl ₂ /C ₆ H ₁₄ (6:1)
1i	2-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	80	157-159	810, 630	8.1 (b, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂) 1.0-2.0 (m, 6H, CH ₂), 3.20 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 3.78 (s, 6H, CH ₃ O), 6.5-7.1 and 7.3-7.4 (m,	CH ₂ Cl ₂ /C ₆ H ₁₄ (7:1)
1j	4-CH ₃ OC ₆ H ₄	76	93-95	800, 640	8H, Ar), 8.0 (br, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂) 1.2-2.0 (m, 6H, CH ₂), 3.0 (br, 4H, CH ₂ N), 3.78 (s, 6H, CH ₃ O), 6.82 (d, 4H, Ar), 7.27 (d,	CH ₂ Cl ₂ /C ₆ H ₁₄ (6:1)
1k	4-ClC ₆ H ₄	71	106-108	810, 630	4H, Ar), 8.1 (br, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂) 1.3–1.8 (m, 6H, 2H), 2.7–3.1 (m, 4H, CH ₂ N), 7.12 (s, 8H, Ar), 8.0 (br, 2H, ⁺ NH ₂)	CH_2Cl_2/C_6H_{14} (6:1)

Reaction conditions: $\mathbf{1a-e} = 40 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$, 3 h; $\mathbf{1f-k} = 150 \,^{\circ}\text{C}$, 3 h.

Bis(O, O'-di-butylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3d)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piperidinium O,O'-di-butylphosphorodithioate (1d) (327 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [ethyl acetate/hexane (1:7), $R_f = 0.80$], gave 142 mg (63%) of 3d as a slightly yellow oil.

Bis(O, O'-di-cyclohexylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3e)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piperidinium O,O'-di-cyclohexylphosphorodithioate (1e) (379 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [ethyl acetate/hexane (1:5), $R_f = 0.80$], gave 188 mg (68%) of 3e as a slightly yellow oil. Exact mass (70 eV): calcd for $C_{24}H_{20}O_4P_2S_3$; m/z 554.1875; found 554.1891.

Bis(O, O'-diphenylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3f)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piper-idinium O,O'-diphenylphosphorodithioate (1f) (367 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [ethyl acetate/hexane (1:5), $R_f = 0.48$] and by recrystallization from dichloromethane/hexane (1:3), gave 175 mg (66%) of 3f as colorless crystals.

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C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>10</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sub>3</sub> (553.55)
Found C 53.92 H 3.72,
Calcd C 54.33 H 3.80.
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The reaction with potassium O,O'-diphenylphosphorodithioate (320 mg, 1 mmol) gave 320 mg (60%) of **3f**.

The reaction with silver O,O'-diphenylphosphorodithioate) (389 mg, 1 mmol) in THF at 66 °C for 1 h gave 27 mg (10%) of **3f** and 76% of the starting silver salt.

The reaction with zinc bis(O,O'-diphenylphosphorodithioate) (314 mg, 1 mmol) in THF at 66 °C for 1 h gave 13 mg (5%) of **3f** and 84% of the starting zinc salt.

Bis(O, O'-di-m-tolylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3g)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piperidinium O,O'-di-m-tolylphosphorodithioate (1g) (395 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [dichloromethane/hexane (1:5), $R_f = 0.48$] and by recrystallization from ether/hexane (1:3), gave 158 mg (54%) of 3g as colorless crystals.

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C<sub>28</sub>H<sub>28</sub>P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S<sub>3</sub> (586.55)
Found C 57.47 H 4.78,
Calcd C 57.33 H 4.81.
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Bis(O, O'-di-p-tolylphosphorothioyl) sulfide (3h)

2-Chloro-1-methylpyridinium *p*-toluenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) was added to a solution of piperidinium O,O'-di-p-tolylphosphorodithioate (395 mg, 1 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 ml) and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 1 h. After removal of the solvent by rotary evaporator, thin layer chromatography of the residue (hexane/ethyl acetate = 5:1, R_f = 0.81) followed by recrystallization of the resulting solid from hexane gave 174 mg (59%) of **3h** as colorless crystals: m.p. 91–93 °C and 38 mg (61%) of 1-methylpyridine-2-thione (4) ($R_f =$ 0.57) as yellow crystals: m.p. 81-82 °C. The m.p. and IR, ¹H NMR, and mass spectra of **3h** and **4** were consistent with those of the authentic samples, which were prepared by the reaction of O,O'-di-p-tolylphosphorodithioic acid with dicyclohexylcarbodiimide [9] or of 4-methylbenzenecarbodithioic acid with 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium iodide [13], respectively.

Bis(O, O'-di-2-methoxybenzenephosphorothioyl) sulfide (3i)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piperidinium O,O'-di-2-methoxybenzenephosphoro-dithioate (**1i**) (427 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [ethyl acetate/hexane (1:2), $R_f = 0.48$], gave 98 mg (30%) of **3i** as pale yellow oil.

Bis(O, O'-di-4-methoxybenzenephosphorothioyl sulfide $(\mathbf{3j})$

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piper-idinium O,O'-di-3-methoxybenzenephosphoro-dithioate (**1j**) (427 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [ethyl acetate/hexane (1:2), $R_f = 0.42$] and by recrystallization from ether/hexane (1:1), gave 244 mg (75%) of **3j** as colorless crystals.

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\begin{array}{ccc} C_{28}H_{28}P_2O_8S_3 \ (650.65) \\ & Found & C \ 51.26 & H \ 4.20, \\ & Calcd & C \ 51.69 & H \ 4.34. \end{array}
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Bis(O, O'-di-4-chlorobenzenephosphorothioyl) sulfide (3k)

The reaction of 2-chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-to-luenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) with piper-idinium O,O'-di-4-chlorobenzenephosphorodithio-ate (**1k**) (436 mg, 1 mmol), followed by TLC [di-chloromethane/hexane (1:2), $R_f = 0.50$] and by re-

crystallization from ether/hexane (1:3), gave 192 mg (57%) of **3k** as colorless crystals.

C₂₄H₁₆P₂O₄S₃Cl₄ (668.33) Found C 42.74 H 2.41, Calcd C 43.13 H 2.41.

Bis(diphenylphosphinothioyl) oxide (8)

2-Chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) was added to a solution of piperidinium diphenylphosphorothioate (319 mg, 1 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 ml) at 0 °C, and the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min. The solvent was evaporated by rotary evaporator. TLC of the residue (hexane/ethyl acetate = 5:1, R_f = 0.57), followed by recrystallization from dichloromethane/hexane, gave 101 mg (45%) of **8** as colorless crystals. M.p. 193–195 °C; MS (20 eV) m/z 450 [M⁺] (100), 373 [Ph₂P(S)OP(S)Ph]⁺ (3), 341 [Ph₂P(S)OPPh]⁺ (30), 201 [Ph₂PO]⁺ (10); ³¹P NMR (CH₂Cl₂, reference 85% H₃PO₄) 80.01; IR (KBr): ν (cm⁻¹) 2990,

1470, 1425, 1310, 1270, 1100, 920, 905, 770, 750, 720, 690, 685, 650, 610, 585, 525, 505, 495, 425.

Bis(diphenylphosphinothioyl) sulfide (11)

2-Chloro-1-methylpyridinium p-toluenesulfonate (150 mg, 0.5 mmol) was added to a solution of piperidinium diphenylphosphinodithioate (335 mg, 1 mmol) in dichloromethane (10 ml). The reaction mixture was evaporated by rotary evaporator. TLC of the residue (hexane/ethyl acetate = 2:1) followed by recrystallization of the resulting solid from hexane gave 145 mg (62%) of **11** ($R_f = 0.56$) as colorless crystals, m.p. 121–122 °C [lit. [16] 121.5 °C] and 41 mg (65%) of **4.**

11: MS (20 eV) m/z 466 (M⁺); ³¹P NMR (CH₂Cl₂, reference 85% H₃PO₄) 61.52; IR (KBr): ν (cm⁻¹) 3010, 1800, 1660, 1570, 1465, 1420, 1290, 1250, 1175, 1155, 1005, 970, 910, 735, 705, 670, 630, 600, 520, 470, 450, 430, 410, 400.

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