
Studies on the behavior of different phosphorus reagents toward active centers in certain organic compounds.

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g]chromen-7-ylidene)benzenamine (5b), and the second minor product was 4,9-dimethoxy-5-methyl-7H-furo[3,2-g]chromen-7-one (8b). Compound 8b was obtained by partial hydrolysis of 5b (Scheme 1). $\text{O O CH}_3\text{ROCH}_3$ 01a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{KOH H}_2\text{O}$ O ROCH_3 COHCH_3 02a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{Ph}_3\text{P C C N Ph}_3$ in THF, at room temp. O ROCH_3 COCH_3 04a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{CN PhHC PPh}_3$ - $\text{Ph}_3\text{P} = \text{O O O}$ N ROCH_3 35a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{CH}_3\text{Ph} + \text{O O O OCH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{CH}_3$ Scheme 18b The reaction of (2-oxovinylidene)triphenylphosphorane (6) with 2a and 2b was also investigated, to give (triphenyl-acetic acid-5-acetyl-4-methoxy-benzofuran-6-yl ester (7a) and (triphenyl-6-yl ester (7b), respectively. When the phosphoranes 7a and 7b are boiled in toluene, intramolecular Wittig reaction occurs with the formation of -4-methoxy-5-methyl-7H-furo[3,2-g]chromen-7-one (8a) and 4,9-dimethoxy-5-methyl-7H-furo[3,2-g]chromen-7-one (8b) respectively, together with TPPO. The reaction of the stabilized phosphonium ylide carbomethoxymethylenetriphenylphosphorane (9) with compounds 2a and 2b, affords the chromenones 8a and 8b respectively. In this case the stabilized phosphonium ylide 9 reacts with the acetyl carbonyl group rather than the OH group to give the Summary of part 1 IV intermediates 10a and 10b which are lactonized to give compounds 8a and 8b with elimination of methanol (Scheme 2). $\text{Ph}_3\text{P C C O}$ 6 in THF, at room temp. O ROCH_3 COCH_3 07a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{COHC PPh}_3$ - $\text{Ph}_3\text{P} = \text{O}$ Toluene O O O ROCH_3 38a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{CH}_3\text{CHC OCH}_3\text{O Ph}_3\text{P}$ 9 in toluene O ROCH_3 COHCH_3CH 10a, R = Hb, R = $\text{OCH}_3\text{C O OCH}_3$ Scheme 22a,b- CH_3OH In addition the reaction of the phosphacumulenes 3 and 6 with 1-(6-hydroxy-4-methoxybenzofuran-5-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-one (11a) and 1-(6-hydroxy-4,7-dimethoxybenzofuran-5-yl)-3-phenylprop-2-en-1-one (11b) was studied, too. The corresponding chromenes 13a-d were obtained together with TPPO. Formation of compounds 13a-d can be explained by the addition of the phenolic OH group of 11a,b to the phosphacumulenes 3 and 6 to give first the phosphonium ylides 12a-d which then cyclized to the chromenes 13a-d. The reaction of the oximes 14a and 14b with the phosphacumulenes 3 and 6 was performed to give the isoxazoles 15a and 15b. In this case, cyclization occurred with the formation of the isoxazole ring and no reaction was observed between compounds 14a and 14b and the phosphorus reagents 3 and 6. In this sense the phosphacumulene Summary of part 1 V ylides 3 and 6 acts as Lewis bases that

facilitate the dehydration process (Scheme 3). $\text{OROCH}_3\text{COHCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ benzaldehyde $\text{NaOHOROCH}_3\text{COHCO}_2\text{11a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{Ph}_3\text{P C C X}_3$, $\text{X} = \text{N-Ph}_6$, $\text{X} = \text{OOROCH}_3\text{COHCO}_2\text{12a-dCXHC Ph}_3\text{HCPhO O XROCH}_3\text{C C Ph}_3\text{13a}$, $\text{R} = \text{H}$; $\text{X} = \text{N-Phb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$; $\text{X} = \text{N-Phc}$, $\text{R} = \text{H}$; $\text{X} = \text{Od}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$; $\text{X} = \text{ONH}_2\text{OH}$, $\text{HClOROCH}_3\text{COHCH}_3\text{NOH}_2\text{14a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ $\text{Ph}_3\text{P C C X}_3$, $\text{X} = \text{N-Ph}_6$, $\text{X} = \text{OOROCH}_3\text{15a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ ONCH_3 Scheme 3 $\text{H H H H}^+ \text{Ph}_3\text{P} = \text{O}$ The reaction of 7-hydroxy-5-methoxy-2-methyl-4-oxo-4H-chromene-6-carbaldehyde (16) with the phosphacumulenes 3 and 6 was also investigated. Compound 16 was prepared by oxidation of the chromenone 1a with $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7$ and H_2SO_4 . Treatment of the chromene carbaldehyde 16 with the phosphoranes 3 or 6 leads to the formation of 5-methoxy-2-methyl-8-phenylimino-8H-pyrano[3,2-g]chromen-4-one (18a) and 5-methoxy-8-methylpyrano[3,2-g]chromen-2,6-dione (18b) respectively, along with TPPO. Compounds 18a and 18b are formed through intramolecular cyclization of the intermediates 17. The reaction of 7-hydroxy-5-methoxy-2-methyl-6-[(phenylimino)-methyl] 4H-chromen-4-one (19) with the phosphacumulene 3 afforded the chromenone 18a together with N phenyliminotriphenylphosphorane (21). However when chromenone 19 was allowed to react with phosphacumulene 6, the ester 20b was exclusively obtained. Cyclization of 20b afforded 5-methoxy-8-methylpyrano[3,2-g]chromene-2,6-dione (18b) and the phosphinimine 21. It is evident that formation of compounds 18a and 18b involves the intermediates 20a and 20b which is spontaneously lactonized only in case of 20a (Scheme 4). $\text{O O CH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{1a}$ $\text{K}_2\text{Cr}_2\text{O}_7\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4\text{HO O CH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{16HCOPh}_3\text{P C C X}_3$, $\text{X} = \text{N-Ph}_6$, $\text{X} = \text{O O CH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{O HCOCXPh}_3\text{P CH}_2\text{17X O O CH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{18a}$, $\text{X} = \text{N-Phb}$, $\text{X} = \text{ONaOH}$ aniline hydrochloride $\text{HO O CH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{19HCPH NPh}_3\text{P C C X}_3$, $\text{X} = \text{N-Ph}_6$, $\text{X} = \text{O O CH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{O HCNCXPh}_3\text{P CH}_2\text{20a}$, $\text{X} = \text{N-Phb}$, $\text{X} = \text{OPhPh}_3\text{P N Ph}$ Scheme 4 $\text{21-Ph}_3\text{P} = \text{O}$ + Summary of part 1V The reaction of the phosphacumulenes 3 and 6 with 4-methoxy-5-oxo-5H-furo[3,2-g]chromene-6-carbaldehyde (22a) and 4,9-dimethoxy-5-oxo-5H-furo[3,2-g]chromene-6-carbaldehyde (22b) was performed. Compounds 2a and 2b are used for the synthesis of the carbaldehydes 22a and 22b directly via Vielsmeier-Haack reaction. The reaction of the chromene carbaldehyde 22a with the phosphorane 3, resulted in the formation of the cyclobutylidene 25a. While the reaction of compound 22b with 3 gave the cyclobutylidene 25b and the phosphanylidenecyclobutylidene (26). This reaction proceeds via a [2+2]-cycloaddition of the carbonyl group in 22a and 22b to the ylidic C-P bond of the phosphorane 3 to give the oxaphosphetane 23. Elimination of TPPO from 23 leads to the formation of the unstable ketene 24, which dimerizes to give 25a and 25b. However in case of the reaction of the chromene carbaldehyde 22b with the phosphorane 3, the dimer 25b was isolated together with the cyclobutylidenechromenone 26, which is formed by addition of 3 to the ketene 24 (Scheme 5). Summary of part 1V $\text{OROCH}_3\text{COHCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ $\text{OROCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{22a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ $\text{CHO}_2\text{3O OROCH}_3\text{OCHO C C N PhPh}_3\text{PO OROCH}_3\text{OHC C CO OROCH}_3\text{OCHPh NN PhCHOOROCH}_3\text{O}_2\text{2425a}$, $\text{R} = \text{Hb}$, $\text{R} = \text{OCH}_3$ $\text{+O OCH}_3\text{OCH}_3\text{HCNPh}_3\text{NPhPh}_2\text{6Ph}_3\text{P C C N Ph}_3\text{POCl}_3\text{DMF}$ Scheme 5 $\text{N Ph-Ph}_3\text{P} = \text{O}$ The reactions of the carbaldehydes 22a and 22b with the phosphacumulene 6 was performed and yield compounds 27a and 27b respectively (Scheme 6). O OROCH_3

OCHOO27a, R = Hb, R = OCH3Ph3P C C O6Scheme 622a,bPPh3The structure of the new products was assigned according to consistent analytical and spectroscopic data (IR, 1H-, 13C-, 31P- NMR andMS).