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A NEW ROUTE TO [1,2,4]TRIAZOLO[4,3-C][1,3,5,2]TRIAZAPHOSPHININE-5-OXIDES: REACTIVITY OF N-ALKYL/ARYL-N'-(4H-1,2,4-TRIAZOL-3-YL) AMIDINES WITH N,N-DIMETHYLPHOSPHORAMICDICHLORIDE

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ABSTRACT. A series of novel [1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxidederivatives **2a-h** were synthesized by a reaction of *N*-alkyl/aryl-*N*'-(4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl) amidines with *N*,*N*-dimethylphosphoramic dichloride in the presence of triethylamine (TEA) in refluxing 1,4-dioxane. The structures of all the synthesized compounds have been established by NMR (¹H, ¹³C, ³¹P) and IR spectroscopy, as well as by elemental analysis and mass spectral analysis.

KEY WORDS: Amidines, Oxides, Triazaphosphinines, Triazole, Synthesis

INTRODUCTION

The rich chemistry and wide applications of organophosphorus compounds are receiving tremendous attraction by scientists [1-3]. Organophosphorus compounds, which are a wide class of chemical compounds containing organic moieties disciplines usually bonded directly to phosphorus or bonded through a heteroatom, such as sulfur, oxygen or nitrogen, are one of the most common chemicals in the human environment. Because of their unique properties and high biological activity, they have been demonstrated to possess anticancer [4], antimicrobial [5] and insecticidal activities [6].

On the other hand, it is known that [1,2,4]-triazole containingheterocyclic compounds are very interesting biologically active: antifungal [7], antibacterial [7], herbicidal [8], anticancer [9] and antileishmainal [10] effects. These observations encouraged us to synthesize of novel triazaphosphinine oxides containing [1,2,4]-triazole ring such as [1,2,4]-triazolo [4,3-c] [1,3,5,2]-triazaphosphinine-5-oxidesderivatives.

RESULTS AND DISCUSION

N-alkyl/aryl-*N'*-(4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl) amidines **1**, which are the starting material for this work, were obtained from the reaction of *N*-triazol-3-yl imidates with primary amines at room temperature in absolute ethanol [11]. The reaction between amidines **1** with *N*,*N'*-dimethylphosphoramicdichloride in the presence of triethylamine (TEA) under reflux of dioxane leads to [1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-*c*][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxides derivatives **2a-h** (Scheme 1, Table 1).

The structures of compounds **2a-h** were deduced from their IR, ¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, MS spectra and elemental analysis. The IR spectra of compounds **2a-h** display absorption bands in the region of 1615-1612 cm⁻¹ (C=N), 1300-1298 cm⁻¹ (P=O) and strong bands in the region of 1190-1170 cm⁻¹ indicating the presence of P-N moeity.

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The ¹H NMR spectra data of products **2a-h** revealed the total absence of a signal specific to the NH amidinic and NH triazolic protons and they show the presence of separate signals for the two methyl groups in N(CH₃)₂ groups introduced by *N,N*-dimethylphosphoramic dichloride, which are splitted into doublets due to coupling with phosphorus.

¹³C NMR spectra of compounds **2a-h** exhibited two signals attributable to the carbon atoms of P-NMe, indicating that the two methyl groups are not equivalent. The ³¹P NMR spectrum of compound **2a-h** showed singlet signal to a phosphoryl group (P=O) at around δ 26 ppm.

Scheme 1. Synthesis reaction of [1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxides 2a-h.

	\mathbb{R}^{1}	R ²		
2a	Methyl	Ethyl		
2b	Ethyl	Ethyl		
2c	Methyl	Propyl		
2d	Ethyl	Propyl		
2e	Methyl	Cyclopentyl		
2f	Ethyl	Cyclopentyl		
2g	Methyl	Phenyl-CH ₂		
2h	Ethyl	Phenyl-CH ₂		

Table 1. The results of synthesis of [1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxides derivatives (2a-h).

Entry	Products	\mathbb{R}^1	R^2	Yields (%)	M.p. (°C)
1	2a	Methyl	Ethyl	70	180-182
2	2b	Ethyl	Ethyl	68	194-196
3	2c	Methyl	Propyl	52	i
4	2d	Ethyl	Propyl	60	-
5	2e	Methyl	Cyclopentyl	65	212-214
6	2f	Ethyl	Cyclopentyl	72	220-222
7	2g	Methyl	Phenyl-CH ₂	87	250-252
8	2h	Ethyl	Phenyl-CH ₂	90	230-232

CONCLUSION

In summary, the synthesis of phosphorus containing fused and isolated heterocyclic systems such as [1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxides have been achived via reaction of N-alkyl/aryl-N'-(4H-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl) amidines with N,N-dimethylphosphoramicdichloride under reflux.

EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were recorded with a Fourier transform infrared spectrometer (Nicolet IR 200 FT-IR, USA). ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded with (CD₃)₂SO solvent containing tetramethylsilane (TMS) on a Bruker 300 spectrometer (USA) (¹H: 300 MHz, ¹³C: 75.47 MHz, ³¹P: 121.49 MHz). The chemical shifts were reported in δ values relative to TMS (internal reference) for ¹H and ¹³C and relative to 85% H₃PO₄ (external reference) for ³¹P. For the ¹H NMR, the multiplicities of signals are indicated by the following abbreviations: s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, m: multiplet. Melting point (mp) was determined on an Electrothermal 9100 melting point apparatus (Weiss-Gallenkamp, Loughborough, UK). Elemental microanalysis was performed on a Perkin-Elmer analyzer apparatus (model 2400, series II-CHN, USA). The electron spray ionization (ESI) positive MS spectra were recorded on a Bruker Daltonics LC-MS spectrometer (USA). All chemicals, reagents and solvents were obtained from Sigma-Aldrich Company and were used without any purification. The completion of reaction was monitored by TLC.

Synthesis of [1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxides derivatives 2a-h

N,N'-dimethylphosphoramic dichloride (2 mmol) was added dropwise to a mixture of *N*-alkyl/aryl-*N'*-(4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl) amidines 1 (2 mmol) and 6 mmol of TEA in anhydrous 1,4-dioxane (30 mL). The reaction mixture was heated under reflux for 24 h and then left to cool. The triethylammonium chloride obtained was filtered off. The solvent was removed under vacuum, and the resulting solid was collected and recrystallized from dichloromethane (2a, 2b, 2e, 2f, 2g and 2h) or alternatively the oil obtained (2c and 2d) was purified by column chromatography using silica gel (60–120 mesh) with ethyl acetate:hexane (3:7) as an eluent.

5-(Dimethylamino)-6-ethyl-7-methyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphos-phinine-5-oxide (2a). Brown powder; 1 H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.82 (s, 1H, N=C<u>H</u>-N-PO), 3.28 (q, 2H, 3 J = 7.8 Hz, CH₃-C<u>H</u>₂-N), 2.73 (d, 3H, O=P-N(C<u>H</u>₃)₂), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(C<u>H</u>₃)₂), 2.18 (s, 3H, C<u>H</u>₃-C(N)=N),1.42 (t, 3H, 3 J = 7.8 Hz, C<u>H</u>₃-CH₂-N); 13 C NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 161.2 (N=C(CH₃)-N), 155.2 (N=C(N)-N), 151.4 (N=CH-N-PO), 37.2 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 37.1 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 32.3 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.2 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-N), 18.2 (CH₃-C(N)=N), 12.2 (CH₃-CH₂-N); 31 P NMR (121.49 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 26.1; IR, ν (cm⁻¹): 1190 (P-N), 1298 (P=O), 1612 (C=N); ESI-MS [M+1]⁺: m/z = 243. Anal. calcd. for C₈H₁₅N₆OP (%): C, 39.67; H, 6.24; N, 34.70. Found: C, 39.65; H, 6.22; N, 34.69.

5-(Dimethylamino)-6,7-diethyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxide (2b). Brown powder; 1 H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.80 (s, 1H, N=C<u>H</u>-N-PO), 3.26 (q, 2H, 3J = 7.8 Hz, CH₃-C<u>H</u>₂-N), 2.74 (d, 3H, O=P-N(C<u>H</u>₃)₂), 2.73 (d, 3H, O=P-N(C<u>H</u>₃)₂), 2.28 (q, 2H, 3J = 8.6 Hz, CH₃-C<u>H</u>₂-C(N)=N), 1.22 (t, 3H, 3J = 8.6 Hz, C<u>H</u>₃-CH₂-C(N)=N); 13 C NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 163.2 (N=<u>C</u>(CH₂-CH₃)-N), 155.8 (N=<u>C</u>(N)-N), 148.4 (N=<u>C</u>H-N-PO), 37.2 (d, $^2J_{PC}$ = 3.5 Hz, N-<u>C</u>H₃), 37.1 (d, $^2J_{PC}$ = 3.5 Hz, N-<u>C</u>H₃), 32.5 (d, $^2J_{PC}$ = 3.2 Hz, CH₃-C<u>H</u>₂-N), 23.2 (CH₃-<u>C</u>H₂-C(N)=N), 13.3 (<u>C</u>H₃-CH₂-N), 10.9 (<u>C</u>H₃-CH₂-C(N)=N). 31 P NMR (121.49 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 26.3; IR, ν (cm⁻¹): 1186 (P-N), 1298 (P=O), 1612 (C=N); ESI-MS [M+1]⁺: m/z = 257. Anal. calcd. for C₉H₁₇N₆OP (%): C, 42.18; H, 6.69; N, 32.80. Found: C, 42.17; H, 6.67; N, 32.78.

5-(Dimethylamino)-7-methyl-6-propyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphos-phinine-5-oxide (2c). Light brown viscous oil; 1 H NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.86 (s, 1H, N=CH-N-PO), 3.24 (t, 2H, 3 J = 7.6 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.69 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.20 (s, 3H, CH₃-C(N)=N), 1.38 (m, 2H, CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N), 0.99 (t, 3H, 3 J=

7.6 Hz, $C\underline{H}_3$ - CH_2 - CH_2 -N); ^{13}C - ^{13}C - ^{13}C MHz, DMSO- ^{13}C 0 δ (ppm): 160.8 ($N=\underline{C}(CH_3)$ -N), 154.8 ($N=\underline{C}(N)$ -N), 141.9 ($N=\underline{C}H$ - ^{13}C), 46.1 (d, $^{2}J_{PC}=3.2$ Hz, CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 - CH_2 -N), 37.2 (d, $^{2}J_{PC}=3.5$ Hz, $N-\underline{C}H_3$), 37.1 (d, $^{2}J_{PC}=3.5$ Hz, $N-\underline{C}H_3$), 21.1 ($N=\underline{C}(\underline{C}H_3)$ -N), 20.8 (CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 -N), 12.7 (CH_3 - CH_2 - CH_2 -N). ^{13}P ^{13}P

5-(Dimethylamino)-7-ethyl-6-propyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphos-phinine-5-oxide(2d). Brown viscous oil; 1 H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_{6}) δ (ppm): 8.86 (s, 1H, N=CH-N-PO), 3.23 (t, 2H, $^{3}J_{H-H}$ = 7.6 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.69 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 1.48 (m, 2H, CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N), 1.39 (q, 2H, $^{3}J_{H-H}$ = 8.6 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-C(N)=N), 1.20 (t, 3H, $^{3}J_{H-H}$ = 8.6 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-C(N)=N), 1.01 (t, 3H, $^{3}J_{H-H}$ = 7.6 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N); 13 C-NMR (75.47MHz, DMSO- d_{6}) δ (ppm): 161.2 (N=C(CH₂-CH₃)-N), 155.6 (N=C(N)-N), 143.3 (N=CH-N-PO), 44.8 (d, $^{2}J_{PC}$ = 3.1 CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N),37.2 (d, $^{2}J_{PC}$ = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 37.1 (d, $^{2}J_{PC}$ = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 21.4 (CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N), 12.3 (CH₃-CH₂-CH₂-N), 11.8 (N=C(CH₂-CH₃)-N). 31 P NMR (121.49 MHz, DMSO- d_{6}): δ 26.4. IR, ν (cm⁻¹): 1170 (P-N), 1298 (P=O), 1612 (C=N); ESI-MS [M+1]⁺: m/z = 271. Anal. calcd. for C₁₀H₁₉N₆OP (%): C, 44.44; H, 7.09; N, 31.09. Found: C, 44.42; H, 7.07; N, 31.05.

6-Cyclopentyl-5-(dimethylamino)-7-methyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triaza-phosphinine 5-oxide (2e). Dark brown powder; 1 H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.84 (s, 1H, N=CH-N-PO), 3.78 (m, 1H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-N), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.69 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.22 (s, 1H, CH₃-C(N)=N), 1.74 (m, 4H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH-N), 1.41 (m, 4H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH-N); 13 C-NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ (ppm): 160.6 (N=C(CH₃)-N), 155.7 (N=C(N)-N), 143.8 (N=CH-N-PO), 53.1 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.2 Hz, CH₂-C

6-Cyclopentyl-5-(dimethylamino)-7-ethyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triaza-phosphinine-5-oxide (2f). Dark brown powder; 1 H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6)) δ (ppm): 8.89 (s, 1H, N=C<u>H</u>-N-PO), 3.80 (m, 1H, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-N), 2.28 (q, 2H, 3 J_{H-H} = 8.2 Hz, CH₃-CH₂-C(N)=N),), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(C<u>H</u>₃)₂), 2.69 (d, 3H, O=P-N(C<u>H</u>₃)₂), 1.71 (m, 4H, C<u>H</u>₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH N), 1.46 (m, 4H, CH₂-C<u>H</u>₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH-N), 1.24 (t, 3H, 3 J_{H-H} = 8.2 Hz, C<u>H</u>₃-CH₂-C(N)=N); 13 C-NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ (ppm): 162.1 (N=<u>C</u>(CH₂-CH₃-N), 154.8 (N=<u>C</u>(N)-N), 143.5 (N=<u>C</u>H-N-PO), 53.7 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.1 Hz, CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH-N), 37.4 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-<u>C</u>H₃), 37.2 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-<u>C</u>H₃), 33.6 (<u>C</u>H₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH₂-CH-N), 25.1 (N=C(<u>C</u>H₂-CH₃)-N), 22.1 (CH₂-<u>C</u>H₂-<u>C</u>H₂-CH₂-CH-N), 11.8(N=C(CH₂-<u>C</u>H₃)-N). 31 P NMR (121.49 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 26.4. IR, ν (cm⁻¹): 1175 (P-N), 1298 (P=O), 1612 (C=N); ESI-MS [M+1][†]: m/z = 297. Anal. calcd. for C₁₂H₂₁N₆OP (%): C, 48.64; H, 7.14; N, 28.36; Found: C, 48.62; H, 7.11; N, 28.34.

6-Benzyl-5-(dimethylamino)-7-methyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphos-phinine-5-oxide (2g). Colorless crystals; 1 H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_{6}) δ (ppm): 8.85 (s, 1H, N=CH-N-PO), 7.32-7.70 (m, 5H, Ar), 3.84 (s, 2H, C₆H₅-CH₂-N), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.69 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.17 (s, 3H, CH₃-C(N)=N); 13 C-NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_{6}) δ (ppm): 162.3 (N=C(CH₃)-N), 154.6 (N=C(N)-N), 143.8 (N=CH-N-PO), 137.8 (1C_{arom}, C₆H₅-CH₂-N), 128.6 (2C_{arom}, C₆H₅-CH(N)-N), 127.1 (2C_{arom}, C₆H₅), 126.6 (1C_{arom}, C₆H₅), 37.4 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 37.2 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 44.6 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.1 Hz, C₆H₅-CH₂-N), 23.2

(N=C(\underline{C} H₃)-N);).³¹P NMR (121.49 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 26.2. IR, ν (cm⁻¹): 1186 (P-N), 1300 (P=O), 1615(C=N); ESI-MS [M+1]⁺: m/z = 305. Anal. calcd. for C₁₃H₁₇N₆OP (%): C, 51.31; H, 5.63; N, 27.62; Found: C, 51.27; H, 5.60; N, 27.59.

6-Benzyl-5-(dimethylamino)-7-ethyl-5,6-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[4,3-c][1,3,5,2]triazaphosphinine-5-oxide (2h). Colorless crystals; 1 H-NMR (300 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ (ppm): 8.86 (s, 1H, N=CH-N), 7.38-7.78 (m, 5H, Ar), 3.86 (s, 2H, C₆H₅-CH₂-N), 2.71 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 2.69 (d, 3H, O=P-N(CH₃)₂), 1.42 (q, 2H, 3 J_{H-H} = 8.6 Hz, 1H, CH₃-CH₂-C(N)=N), 1.24 (t, 3H, 3 J_{H-H} = 8.6 Hz, 1H, CH₃-CH₂-C(N)=N); 13 C-NMR (75.47 MHz, DMSO- d_6) δ (ppm): 162.5 (N=C(CH₂-CH₃)-N), 156.1 (N=C(N)-N), 143.7 (N=CH-N-PO), 136.8 (1C_{arom}, C_6 H₅-CH₂-N), 129.1 (2C_{arom}, C_6 H₅), 128.6 (2C_{arom}, C_6 H₅), 126.2 (1C_{arom}, C_6 H₅), 37.4 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 37.2 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.5 Hz, N-CH₃), 45.4 (d, 2 J_{PC} = 3.1 Hz, C₆H₅-CH₂-N), 23.5 (N=C(CH₂-CH₃)-N), 11.9 (N=C(CH₂-CH₃)-N); 31 P NMR (121.49 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 26.3. IR, ν (cm⁻¹): 1186 (P-N), 1300 (P=O), 1615(C=N); ESI-MS [M+1]⁺: m/z = 319. Anal. calcd. for C₁₄H₁₉N₆OP (%): C, 52.83; H, 6.02; N, 26.40; Found: C, 52.80; H, 5.99; N, 26.38.

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