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Investigation of reactivity of phosphorus ylides as hard donar ligands, with Ag(I), Cd(II), and Pd(II) as soft metal centers: A multinuclear NMR study

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ABSTRACT

The reaction between oxophilic group of 3 metal salts and the ambidentate α -keto ylides (4-bromobenzoylmethylene triphenylphosphorane (BBPPY) and (4-bromobenzoylmethy-lenetriparatolyl phosphorane (BBTPPY) in dry methanol and acetonitrile as solvents lead to formation of C-bound metal-ylide complexes. The compounds were characterized by IR, ¹H, ¹³C and ³¹P NMR spectroscopic methods microanalysis.

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INTRODUCTION

The coordination chemistry of ambidentate ligands have been investigated^[1]. One of our goals was to find an ambidentate ligand wherein control of the bonding mode (C vs O) would reside, at least in part, in variables that were found within the ligand itself^[2]. Although many bonding modes are possible for keto ylies, coordination through ylides methine carbon is more predominant and observed with soft metal ions, e.g., Pd(II), Pt(II), Hg(II) Au(I), and Au(III)^[3-8], whereas, O-coordination dominates when the metals involved are hard, e.g., Ti(IV), Zr(IV), and Hf(IV)^[9]. The ease of systematic variation of the R, R' and/or R'' groups in the phosphorus ylides of the type $R_3PCR'C(O)R''$ suggested that these are ideal candidates.

The keto-stabilized ligand can coordinate to a metal center through the ylide's methine carbon atom (2) or the carbonyl oxygen atom(3) wherein ($R = C_6H_5$, $CH_3C_6H_4$, R' = H, and $R'' = BrC_6H_4$) (Scheme 1).

Our initial efforts were therefore directed toward the use of the soft metal centers, such as Ag(I), Cd(II), and Pd(II), that would preferentially bond to the ylide's methine carbon. The aims of our present work are (i) to determine and compare the molecular structure of the products formed by the title ylides with these kinds



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of soft metals, and (ii) to characterize all the products by FT-IR, ¹H, ¹³C and ³¹P NMR spectra.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The v(CO) which is sensitive to complexation occurs at 1578 and 1598cm⁻¹ in the parent ylides, as in the case of other resonance stabilized ylides^[14]. Coordination of ylide through carbon cause an increase in v (CO) while for O-coordination a lowering of v (CO) is expected (TABLE 1). The infrared spectra of complexes in the solid state show v (CO) in the range of 1608 and 1680cm⁻¹, at higher wave numbers with respect to the free ylide (BBPPY, v (CO) 1578 and 1598cm⁻¹). The (P^+ C⁻) which is also diagnostic for the coordination occurs at 882 and 883cm⁻¹ in the parent ylides. These assignments confirmed by comparing the IR spectra of the corresponding ¹³C substituted ylides^[16]. In the present study, the $v(P^+-C^-)$ values for all four complexes were shifted to lower frequencies and observed at 845, 816, 807, 808 and 884cm⁻¹ for 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 respectively, suggesting some removal of electron density in the P-C bond.

The ¹H and ³¹P NMR data of the mercury (II) ylide complexes along with those of the parent ylides are listed in the (TABLE 2). Signals due to methane protons, when

TABLE 1 : v (CO) of selected	d phosphoranes and	d their metal
complexes		

Compound	v (CO)cm ⁻¹	Ref.			
Ph ₃ PCHCON(CH ₃) ₂	1530	11			
APPY	1530	12			
BPPY	1525	13			
BBPPY	1578	10			
BBTPPY	1578	This work			
C-coordination					
BBTPPY.AgNO ₃	1608	This work			
BBPPY.AgNO ₃	1619	This work			
BBPPY.Cd(NO ₃) ₂	1590	This work			
BBPPY.CdCl ₂	1680	This work			
BBPPY.PdCl ₂	1619	This work			
Au [CH(PPh ₃)CON(CH ₃) ₂]	1605	11			
O-coordination					
[(Sn(CH ₃) ₃ .BPPY]Cl	1480	14			
[(SnPh ₃).BPPY]Cl	1470	14			

 $Ph = C_6H_5$, APPY = acetylmethylenetriphenylphosphorane, BPPY = benzoylmethylenetriphenyl-phosphorane recorded in CDCl_3 was either broad or unobserved probably due to very low solubility of all the complexes in CDCl_3 . However, a sharp doublet for the above proton was obtained in DMSO- d_6 for each of the four complexes in the same region. This indicates that the complexes do not react with DMSO- d_6 . The expected downfield shifts of ³¹P and ¹H signals for PCH group upon complexation were observed in their correspounding spectra. The appearance of single signals for PCH group in each of ³¹P and ¹H NMR indicates the presence of only one molecule for all of the four complexes, as expected for C- coordination. It must be noted that O-coordination of the ylide generally leads to the formation of *cis* and *trans* isomers giving rise to two different signals in ³¹P and ¹H NMR.

The resonances of ³¹P NMR complexes 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 were observed to occur at a lower field with respect to the free ylide (TABLE 2), thus suggesting a direct binds of methane carbon with soft metal center. The ¹³C NMR data of the complexes and the title ylide are listed in (TABLE 3) along with possible assignments. The most interesting aspect of the ¹³C spectra of the complexes is the up field shift of the signals due ylidic carbon. Such up field shift observed in PdCl₂ (η^3 -2- $XC_{2}H_{4}$) ($C_{6}H_{5}$)₂PCHCOR (X = H, CH₂; R = CH₂, $C_{e}H_{s}$) and was attributed to change in hybridization of the ylidic carbon^[14]. Similar up field shifts of 2-7.6ppm with reference to the parent ylides BBPPY and BBPPTY were also observed in the case of these metal complexes^[15]. The ¹³C shifts of CO group in the complexes are around 189-191ppm higher than 183.51 in BBPPY and 183.28ppm noted for the same carbon in the BBTPPY, indicating much lower shielding of the carbon of the CO group in the complexes. No coupling with these metal ions was observed at room temperature in ¹H, ¹³C and ³¹P NMR spectra of all these complexes.

EXPERIMENTAL

Methanol was distilled over magnesium powder and diethyl ether (Et₂O) over CaH₂ just before use. All other solvents were reagent grade and used without further purifications. ¹H, ³¹P, and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained using a FT- 90 MHz instrument at regional sophisticated instrument- tation at Bu-Ali-Sina Univer-

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TABLE 2 : ¹H and ^{31P}NMR data of BBPPY and BBTPPY with their metal complexes

Compd.	δ(CH)	² J _(PH)	δCH ₃	δ (PPh ₃)	$^{31}P\{^{1}H\}$
BBTPPY	4.48 (d)	br	2.35(s)	7.26-7.88 (m)	13.28 (s)
BBTPPY.AgNO ₃	4.38 (d)	21.00	2.40(s)	7.31-7.76 (m)	16.45 (s)
BBPPY.AgNO ₃	5.14 (d)	11.64		7.65-8.10 (m)	18.19 (s)
BBPPY.Cd(NO ₃) ₂	6.22 (d)	12.00		7.64-7.90(m)	27.00 (s)
BPPY.CdCl ₂	4.21 (d)	4.50		7.74-8.20 (m)	17.68 (s)
BBPPY.PdCl ₂	6.12 (d)	15.00		6.98-8.08 (m)	25.19(s)

In CDCl₃, 90 MHz, values (ppm) relative to internal TMS and external 85% phosphoric acid. s, singlet; d, doublet; m, multiplet

sity, faculty of science. Solid state IR spectra in the region 200-4000cm⁻¹ using KBr pellets were obtained on a FT-IR Perkin Elmer spectrophotometer. The ylide (Ph₃PCHCOC₆H₄Br) was prepared according to published procedure^[10]. Elemental analysis was carried out at Tarbiate Modarres University in Tehran.

Synthesis of ylide [(p-tolyl)₃PCHCOC₆H₄Br]

2,4-Bromophenyl acetophenone (0.278g, 1 mmol) was dissolved in 20ml of chloroform, then a solution of tri-paratolyphosphine (0.304g, 1 mmol) in the same solvent (5ml) was added to the above solution drop wise, and the pale yellow solution was stirred for 4 h. The solution was concentrated under reduced pressure to 10 ml, and diethyl ether (20ml) was added. The white formed solid was filtered off, washed with petroleum benzene $(2 \times 10 \text{ml})$, and dried under reduced pressure. In order to get final product, whole of the crud solid (0.547g), (94%), was transferred to alkaline solution 5% NaOH and stirred at 40°C for about 24 h, the pale yellow precipitate of 4-bromobenzoylmethylene triparatolyl-lphosphorane was obtained. The product was washed several times with distilled water and air dried. Yield (85%), (m.p. 176-178°C). Anal. (%) Calcd.: C₂₀H₂₆BrOP: C. 69.47, H, 5.23. Found: C, 69.46, H, 5.22.

Synthesis of [(*p*-tolyl)₃PCHCOC₆H₄Br)₂.AgNO₃] complex(1)

A solution of (0.084g, 0.5 mmol) of $AgNO_3$ in methanol (15ml) was added to solution of (0.5g, 1 mmol) of the 4-bromobenzoylmethylenetriparatolyl phenylphosphorane in dry methanol (15ml) and stirred for 24 h. The white product formed by slow evaporation of the solvent. The product washed several times with dry diethylether and dried in vacuum. Yield (68%),

TABLE 3: ¹³C NMR data of BBTPPY and metal complexes

Compound.	СН	${}^{2}\mathbf{J}_{p-c}$	CH ₃	PPh ₃	C=O
BBTPPY	51.17	107.34	21.36	123.24-142.70 (m)	183.28 (s)
BBTPPY.AgNO ₃	49.11	110.25	19.45	122.07-141.07 (m)	186.21 (s)
BBPPY.AgNO ₃	43.57	86.02		124.41-133.42 (m)	185.12 (s)
BBPPY.Cd(NO ₃) ₂	(br)	-		117.32-134.84 (m)	191.63 (s)
BBPPY.CdCl ₂	49.73 (d)	110.92		123.25-142.89 (m)	189.93 (s)
BBPPY.PdCl ₂	(br)	-		124.42-143.50 (m)	191.53 (s)
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BBPPY, Recorted in CDCl_3 and complexes in $\text{DMSO-}d_{\delta^*}$ s, singlet; d, doublet; m, multipilate, br, broad

(m.p. 157-159°C). Anal. (%) Calcd.: $C_{58}H_{50}Br_2$ AgNO₅P₂: C. 59.51, H, 4.47. Found: C, 59.75, H, 4.52.

Synthesis of [(Ph₃PCHCOC₆H₄Br)₂.AgNO₃] complex(2)

A solution of (0.084g, 0.5 mmol) of AgNO₃ in methanol (15ml) was added to solution of (0.458g, 1 mmol) of the 4-bromobenzoylmethylenetriphenyl phosphorane in dry methanol (15ml) and stirred for 24 h. The white product formed by slow evaporation of the solvent. The product washed several times with dry diethylether and dried in vacuum. Yield (81%), (m.p. 163-165°C). Anal. (%) Calcd.: C₅₂H₄₀Br₂AgNO₅P₂: C. 57.38, H, 3.70. Found: C, 56.78, H, 3.54.

Synthesis of [(Ph₃PCHCOC₆H₄Br).Cd(NO₃)₂] complex(3)

A solution of (0.154g, 0.5 mmol) of $Cd(NO_3)_2.4H_2O$ in methanol (15ml) was added to solution of (0.229g, 0.5 mmol) of the 4-bromobenzoyl methylenetriphenylphosphorane in dry methanol (15ml) and stirred for 12 h. The white product formed by slow evaporation of the solvent. The product washed several times with dry diethylether and dried in vacuum. Yield (79%), (m.p. 185-187°C). Anal. (%) Calcd.: $C_{52}H_{40}Br_2CdN_2O_8P_2$: C, 54.07, H, 3.49, N, 2.43. Found: C, 54.35, H, 3.62, N, 2.51.

Synthesis of [(Ph₃PCHCOC₆H₄Br).CdCl₂] complex(4)

A solution of (0.088g, 0.5 mmol) of CdCl₂ in methanol (15ml) was added to solution of (0.229g, 0.5 mmol) of the 4-bromobenzoylmethylenetriphenylphosphorane in dry methanol (15ml) and stirred for 12 h. The white product formed by slow evaporation of the solvent. The product washed several times with dry diethylether and

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dried in vacuum. Yield (74%), (m.p. 165-167°C). Anal. (%) Calcd.: $C_{29}H_{20}BrCdCl_2OP$: C, 48.59, H, 3.14. Found: C, 49.08, H, 3.26.

Synthesis of Trans-[PdCl₂{CH(PPh₃)COC₆H₄ Br}₂](5)

The new ylide of $(Ph_3P)CH COC_6H_4Br (0.252g, 0.55 mmol)$ was added to a saturated solution of PdCl₂, (0.49g, 0.28 mmol) in CH₃CN (10cm³) and the suspension stirred for 15 min, then filtered. The pale yellow solid washed with diethyl ether and dried in vacuum. Yield (82%), (m.p. 175-177°C). Anal. (%) Calcd.: $C_{52}H_{40}Br_2Cl_2O_2P_2Pd$: C, 56.99, H, 3.67. Found: C, 49.08, H, 3.26.

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