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## **Index Abstracts**

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On the basis of his own and literature data, the author considers and gives theoretical substantiation to the routes for the formation and decomposition of linear and cyclic oligo- and polysiloxanes through an intramolecular reaction of geminal fragmentation of Si(OR)X groups with the intermediate formation ( $\alpha$ -elimination) of short-lived silanones R<sub>2</sub>Si == O. The latter further undergoes polymerization or insertion into Si — X bonds (X = O, Cl, etc.) of trapping reagents.

The interaction of In(III) with tripodal Schiff base ligands ( $L_{(1-6)}$  prepared from the condensation of substituted salicylaldehydes with tris(2-aminoethyl)amine gives a range of neutral complexes of the type [In(III)(L)] (salicylaldehyde  $L_1$ , *o*-vanillin  $L_2$ , 5-methoxysalicylaldehyde  $L_3$ , 5-nitrosalicylaldehyde  $L_4$  (shown), 3,5-di-*t*butylsalicylaldehyde  $L_5$ , 5-bromosalicyl-aldehyde  $L_6$ ). These complexes were investigated spectroscopically, and in two cases by single crystal Xray diffraction, and are found to have heptacoordinate In (III) centres. M. G. Voronkov

A Third Route to the Formation and Decomposition of Siloxane Structures. To Siloxanes through Silanones

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Complexes of Indium (III) with Tripodal Schiff Base Ligands

Twenty five 1:1 adducts of the triarylboroxines  $(4-BrC_6H_4)_3B_3O_3$ , (3- $NO_2C_6H_4)_3B_3O_3$  (3- $NH_2C_6H_4)_3$   $B_3O_3$ with N-donor ligands (cyclohexylamine, 4-picoline, 3-picoline, piperidine, morpholine, isobutylamine, triethylamine, pyridine, isoquinoline, benzylamine) have been prepared by reaction of stoichiometric quantities of ligand with tri(aryl)boroxine in Et<sub>2</sub>O at room temperature. Variable temperature studies on selected adducts revealed ligand dissociation recombination ( $\Delta G^+39-54 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$ ) was occurring and the X-ray structure of 3-picoline  $(4-BrC_6H_4)_3B_3O_3$  is reported.

Two Sb<sub>4</sub>O<sub>6</sub> 'cage' molecules, containing bridging oxo-, hydroxo- and carboxylato-ligands, have been synthesised and the crystal structure of a related compound, [(SbPh<sub>2</sub>)4( $\mu$ -O)( $\mu$ -OH)( $\mu$ -OEt)( $\mu$ -O<sub>2</sub>CMe)<sub>2</sub>], which also contains a bridging ethoxogroup, has been determined.

(E)-Enolate structure is proved of the isolated sodium and potassium derivatives of 2- (diphenylphosphinoyl)-2-phenyl ethenol. Their regiospecific O-acylation and O-alkylation is studied.



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Synthesis and Characterisation of Amine Adducts of Tri(4bromophenyl)boroxine, Tri(3nitrophenyl)boroxine, and Tri (3-aminophenyl)boroxine; Molecular Structure of 3-Picolinetri(4-bromophenyl)boroxine

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Carboxylate Bridged Octaphenyltetra-antimony(V) 'Cage' Compounds;  $[(SbPh_2)_4$  $(\mu$ -O)<sub>4</sub> $(\mu$ -OH)<sub>2</sub> $(\mu$ -O<sub>2</sub>CR)<sub>2</sub> · HO<sub>2</sub>-CR], where R=Me or t-Bu and the Crystal Structure of  $[(SbPh_2)_4 (\mu$ -O)<sub>4</sub> $(\mu$ -OH) $(\mu$ -OEt)  $(\mu$ -O<sub>2</sub>CMe)<sub>2</sub>]

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Sodium and Potassium Derivatives of 2-(Diphenylphosphinoyl)-2-Phenyl-Ethenol: Synthesis, Structure and Reactivity

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 $Y = CH_{3}CO$ 

 $Y = PhCH_{0}$ 

M ≂ Na M ≃ K

The synthesis and characterization of the primary terphenyl silanes and chlorosilanes 2,6-Mes<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SiCl<sub>3</sub>(1a), 2,6-Trip<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SiCl<sub>3</sub>(1b) (shown), 2,6-Mes<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SiHCl<sub>2</sub> (2a), 2,6-Trip<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3-</sub>  $-2,6-Mes_2C_6H_3SiH_3(3a),$ SiHCl<sub>2</sub> (2b), 2,6-Trip<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>SiH<sub>3</sub>(**3b**) and 2,6-Mes<sub>2</sub>  $C_6H_3SiCl_2SiCl_3(4)$ , (where Mes = 2,4,  $6 - Me_3C_6H_2$ and  $Trip = 2,4,6-i-Pr_3$  $C_6H_2$ ) are described. Compounds (1a, 1b), (2a, 2b) and (4) were prepared by the reaction between SiCl<sub>4</sub>, SiHCl<sub>3</sub> or Si<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub>, respectively, and the appropriate aryl lithium reagent (2,6-Mes<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>Li or 2,6-Trip<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub> Li-OEt<sub>2</sub>). Compounds (3a) and (3b) were prepared by reduction of (1a) and (1b) with LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, respectively. An improved synthesis of the precursor  $2_{6}$ -Trip $_{2}C_{6}H_{3}I$  is also given.

Two equivalents of some bidentate amino alcohols (AA) are combined with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> to form unique chelated aluminates of the form [(AA)<sub>2</sub>Al]-Li(THF)<sub>2</sub>. One of the compounds undergoes a salt elimination when combined with Me<sub>2</sub>AlCl to form the bimetallic derivative, [(AA)<sub>2</sub>Al]Al-Me<sub>2</sub>(shown). By comparison, a related reaction with [ArO<sub>4</sub>Al] [Li(THF)<sub>4</sub>] (Ar=aryloxide) leads to elimination of one of the aryloxide groups and the subsequent formation of neutral products.

Treatment of 2:1 mixture of  $InBr_3$  and  $H_2O$  with 1 equivalent of the imidazol-2-ylidene carbene, affords the imidazolium salt, [HCN(Me)C<sub>2</sub>(-Me)<sub>2</sub>N(Me)][InBr<sub>4</sub>] **2**, in good yield. The proposed mechanism for the formation of **2** and its X-ray crystal structure are described.



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The Syntheses and Characterization of the Bulky Terphenyl Silanes and Chlorosilanes  $2,6-Mes_2C_6H_3SiCl_3$ ,  $2,6-Trip_2$  $C_6H_3SiCl_3$ ,  $2,6-Mes_2C_6H_3SiH-Cl_2$ ,  $2,6-Trip_2C_6H_3SiH-Cl_2$ ,  $2,6-Trip_2C_6H_3SiH-Cl_2$ ,  $2,6-Mes_2C_6H_3SiH-Cl_2$ ,  $2,6-Mes_2C_6H_3SiCl_2-SiCl_3$ 

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Synthesis, Crystal and Molecular Structure of 1,3,4,5-Tetramethylimidazolium Tetrabromoindium (III)

In the reaction of iminosilanes and methylalanes monomeric silylaminoalanes are obtained by a nucleophilic methanide-ion migration from aluminium to silicon.

Four-membered (SiNLiF)-rings react with ClAlMe<sub>2</sub> or AlCl<sub>3</sub> with formation of (SiNAlHal)-rings, fourmembered rings with bridging fluorine or chlorine atoms. These compounds may be considered as silyliumhaloaluminates. The partial zwitter ion character is supported by the low-field <sup>29</sup>Si-NMR shifts.

*Ab Initio* (3-21G(\*), MP2/3-21G(\*), MP2/3-21G(\*)) molecular orbital calculations show that the *cis-trans* (**1a** – **1b**) interconversion of diazadiphosphetidines proceeds rather *via* an "edge" inversion than the classical "vertex" inversion at phosphorus. The semiempirical MNDO results are largely of the same quality as those obtained with the 3-21G(\*) basis.

The 1:2 reaction of SnCl<sub>2</sub> with Li(THF)<sub>2.5</sub>Ge(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> gave both colorless (1) and red (2) crystalline products. The former was identified as [(Me<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>3</sub>Ge]<sub>2</sub>SnCl<sub>2</sub>, while FAB-MS, <sup>119</sup>Sn NMR and an X-ray structure determination on **2** revealed it to be a heteroleptic cyclotetrastannane, [(Me<sub>3</sub> Si)<sub>3</sub>GeSnCl]<sub>4</sub>. Similar reactions of SnF<sub>2</sub> and SnI<sub>2</sub> gave only reduction.



 $\begin{array}{cccc} R_1 & R_2 & R_1 & R_2 \\ P & N & P & P & N & P \\ R_2 & R_1 & R_2 \\ 1a & 1b \end{array}$ 



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The Reaction of Tin(II) Halides with Li(THF)<sub>2.5</sub> Ge(SiMe<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>: The X-ray Crystal Structure of a New Cyclotetrastannane

Reaction of (2, 6-dimesitylphenyl)boron dibromide, (Mes<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)BBr<sub>2</sub>. I, with [(2, 6-di-*i*-propylphenyl)amino]lithium, [(*i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)N(H)Li, affords 2, 6-dimesitylphenyl[(2,6-di-*i*-propylphenyl)-amino]boron bromide, (Mes<sub>2</sub> C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)B(Br)N(H)[(*i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>)], II. II has been characterized by elemental analyses, <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR, and single crystal X-ray diffraction. *ab initio* examination of model molecules CH<sub>3</sub>BBr<sub>2</sub>, III, and CH<sub>3</sub>B(Br) NH<sub>2</sub>, IV, supports a measure of  $\pi$ bonding in the B—N bonds in III and IV.



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Synthesis and Molecular Structure of  $(Mes_2C_6H_3)B(Br)N(H)$  $[(i-Pr_2C_6H_3)]$  and an *ab initio* Examination of  $CH_3BBr_2$  and  $CH_3B(Br)NH_2$