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SYNTHESIS AND CHEMISTRY OF PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS SUBSTITUTED BY 1,2,4-TRIAZINE MOIETIES AS MEDICINAL PROBES

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Abstract – Design, synthesis, and chemical behaviors of various phosphorus compounds containing and/ or bearing 1,2,4-triazine moieties are received. Besides, the medicinal, biocidal, and biological activities of these targets were reported. A relation between P-C, P-O, P-N, and P-S bonds was also studied.

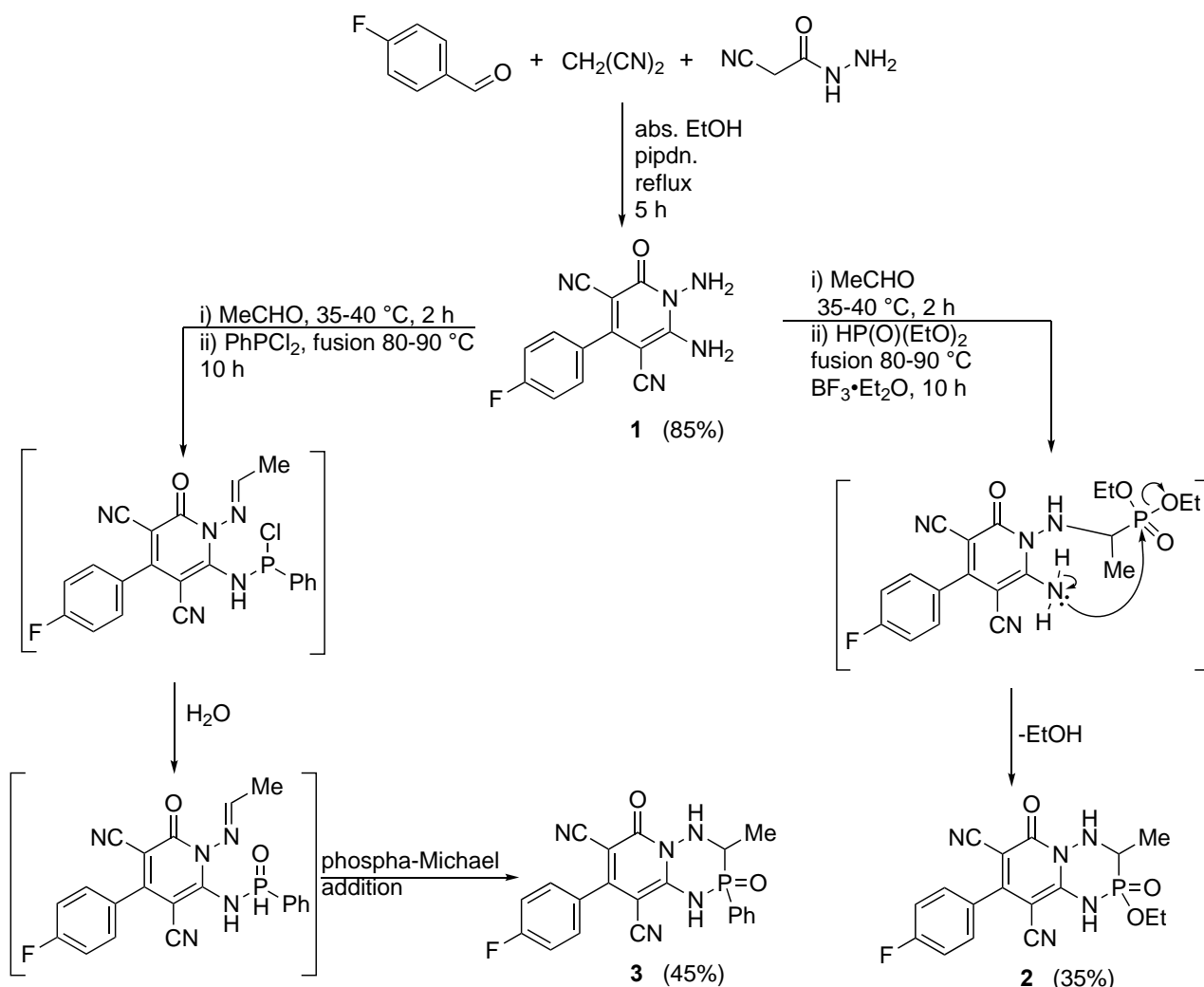
1. INTRODUCTION

Phosphorus atoms or their compounds are required for various metabolic processes in the work of vital cells.¹ Also, phosphorus compounds are critical factors limiting the efficiency of phosphorus effects on crops that will be more economical than relying on chemical fertilization of phosphorus.² Presence of P-C, P-O, P-N, and P-S bonds attached to heterocyclic systems often enhances and improves their physical, chemical, and biological properties.³ Besides, various phosphorus compounds play a vital role in modern life due to their significant medicinal, biological, pharmacological, and agricultural fields, for example, as molluscicidal,⁴ herbicidal,⁵ anti-HIV,⁶ anticancer,⁷ antimicrobial,⁸ and are used as photochemical probes to inhibit vitiligo disease,⁹ as well as antibacterial agents.¹⁰ On the other hand, 1,2,4-triazine nucleus as an essential functional moiety has been used in the development of pharmaceutical and agrochemical properties because of its derivatives bearing multitudinous bioactivities, including anti-inflammatory,^{11,12} and antifungal activities.¹³ The triazine nucleus was also used to inhibit enzyme effect on some vital properties (cellobiase activity),^{14,15} and as antioxidant agents.¹⁶ Recently, phosphorus atoms bonding with nitrogen compounds have gained considerable attention due to their biological effects such as molluscicidal,¹⁷ insecticidal,¹⁸ and herbicidal¹⁹ activities. Different isomers of triazaphospholes have multiple medicinal properties, as antibacterial,²⁰ anti-breast, anticolonial, and anti-prostate carcinoma cell lines²¹ activity. Abdel-Rahman *et al.*²²⁻²⁶ reported many reviews in the field of phosphorus-1,2,4-triazines, including synthesis, chemistry, and their specific biological properties. Based on these facts, the present

review reports significant attempts to synthesize phosphorus-containing 1,2,4-triazine compounds as well as their physical, chemical, and biological properties.

2. PHOSPHORUS COMPOUNDS CONTAINING-1,2,4-TRIAZINE MOIETY

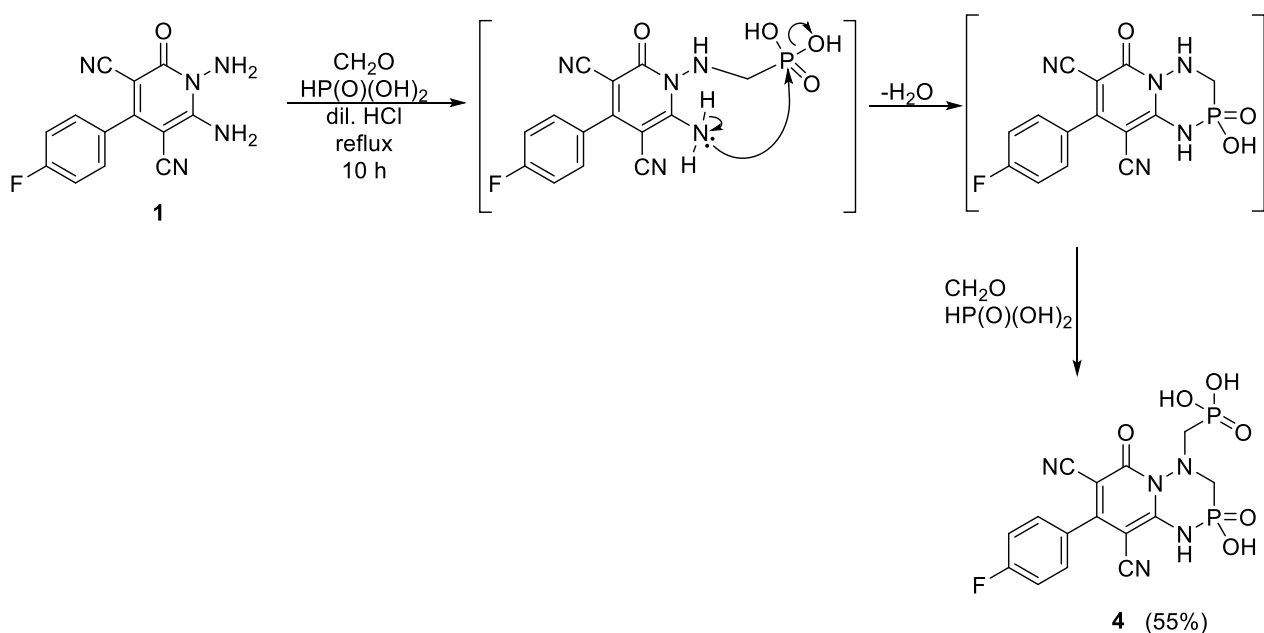
Formation of fluorinated heterocyclic phosphorus-containing 1,2,4-triazine moiety was deduced by Assiri *et al.*²⁷ Thus, warming of compound **1** with acetaldehyde in the presence of diethyl phosphite and/ or phenyl dichlorophosphine at 35-40 °C followed by fusion for 10 h, produced two isomeric structures **2** and **3** respectively (Scheme 1). The IR spectra of both **2** and **3** showed vibrational bands at 1236 and 1237 cm^{-1} for P=O, while ^1H NMR spectra recorded signals at 4.5 and 4.2 ppm for P-CH. ^{31}P NMR spectra also exhibited signals at 22.2 ppm for compound **2**. Mass spectra of **3** recorded m/z 419.



Scheme 1. Formation of compounds **2** and **3**

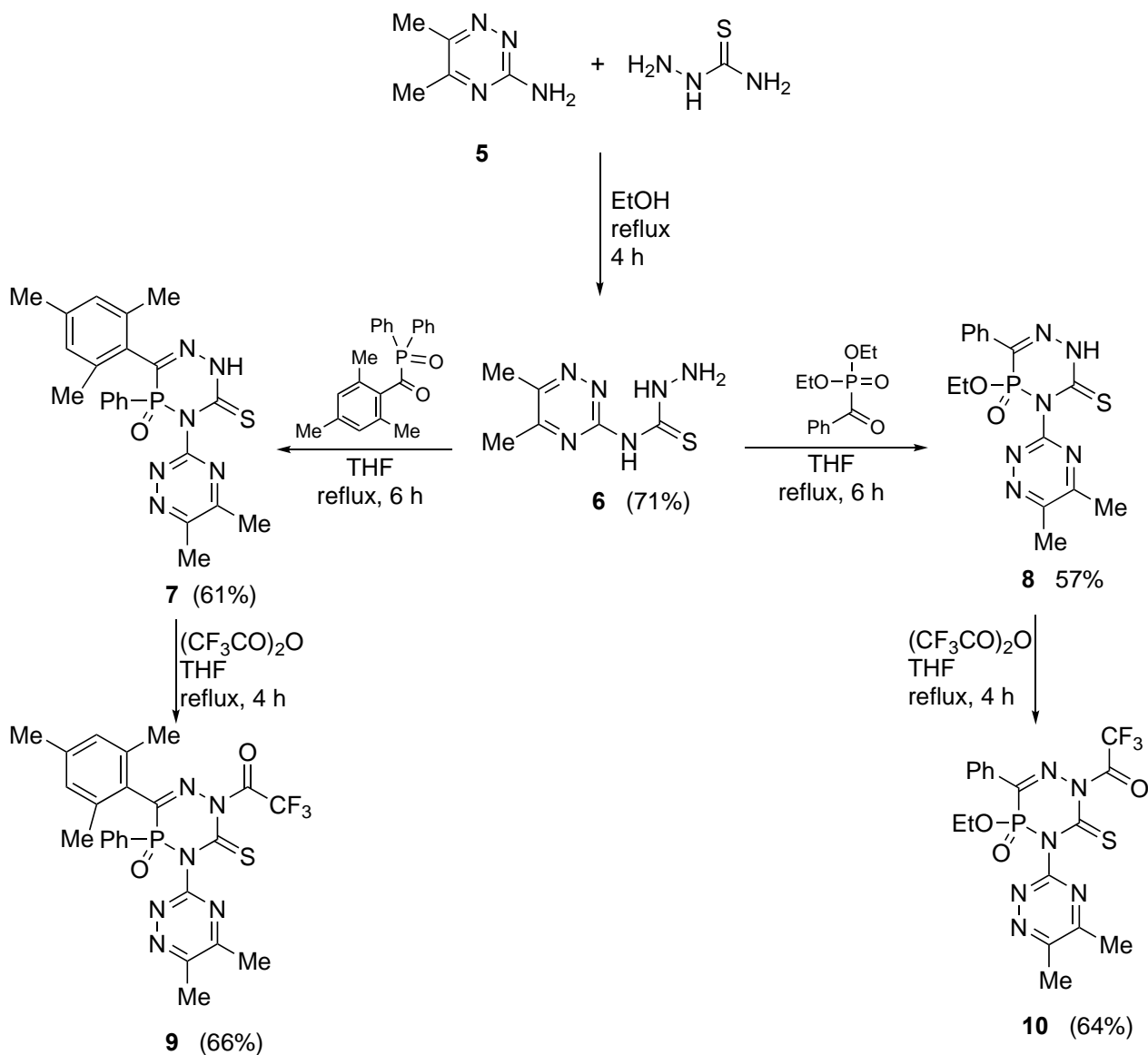
The addition of phosphorous acid to an acidic solution of compound **1** in the presence of formaldehyde led to the formation of ((7,9-dicyano-8-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-hydroxy-2-oxido-6-oxo-1,3,6-

trihydropyrido[1,2-*b*][1,2,4,5]triazaphosphinin-4-yl)methyl)phosphonic acid (**4**) (Scheme 2).²⁷ Structure of compound **4** was established from the IR spectrum, which recorded a broad vibrational band at 3418 cm^{-1} for OH and NH, 2964 cm^{-1} for CH, and 1230 cm^{-1} for P=O. Also, the ^1H NMR spectrum exhibited a signal at 4.54-5.15 ppm for P-CH₂ protons. ^{31}P NMR spectrum showed signals at 11.7 and 19.2 ppm. Mass spectra recorded m/z 439, which supported that structure.²⁷

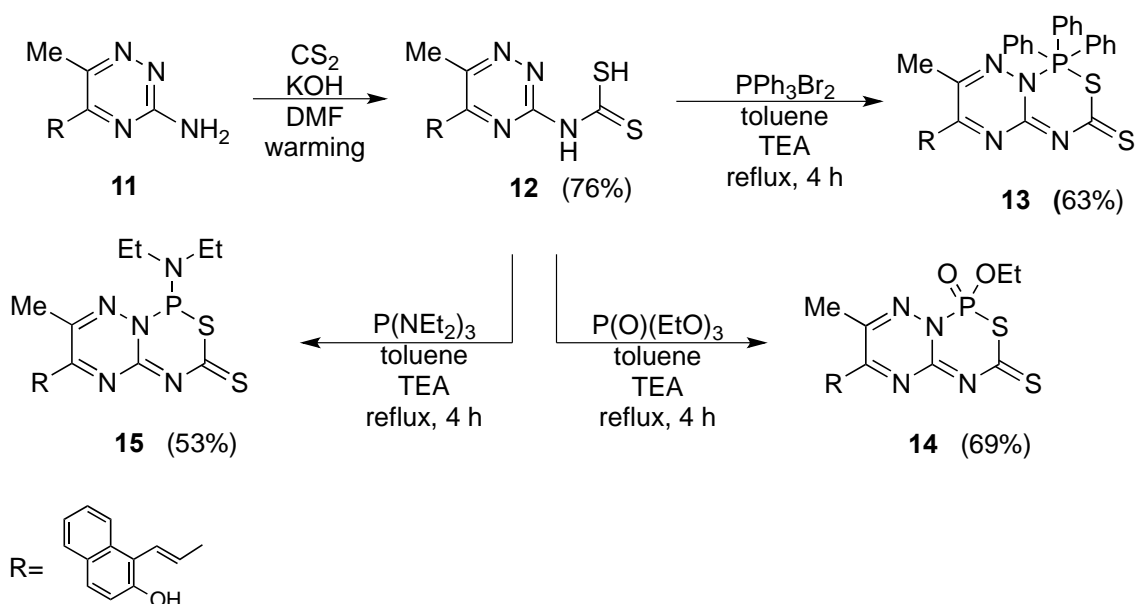


Scheme 2. Formation of compound **4**

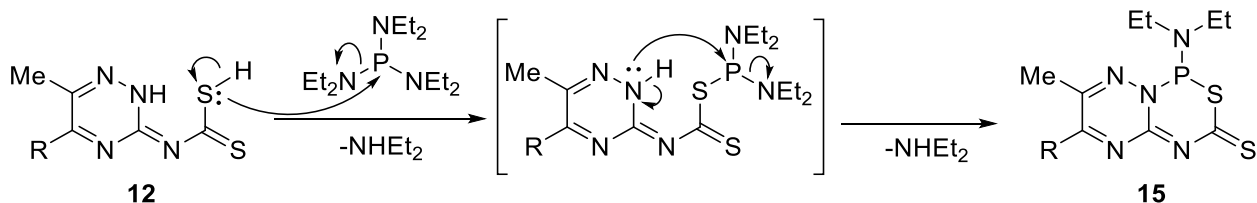
Abdel-Rahman²² obtained some phospho-heterobicyclic systems containing 1,2,4-triazine moiety from heterocyclization of *N*⁴-substituted thiosemicarbazide **6** with diethyl benzoylphosphonate and/ or diphenyl (2,4,6-trimethylbenzoyl)phosphine oxide in dry toluene, to give 4,5,6-trisubstituted-5-phospha-1,2,4-triazin-3(2*H*)-thiones **7** and **8**, respectively. Fluoroacylation of both compounds **7** and **8** by refluxing with 2,2,2-trifluoroacetic anhydride in THF produced the phospho-fluorinated compounds **9** and **10** (Scheme 3).

Scheme 3. Formation of compounds **6-10**

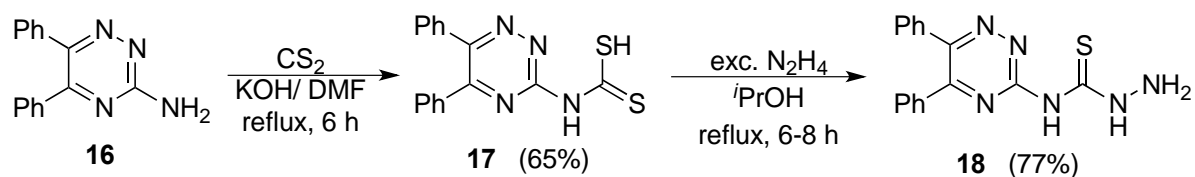
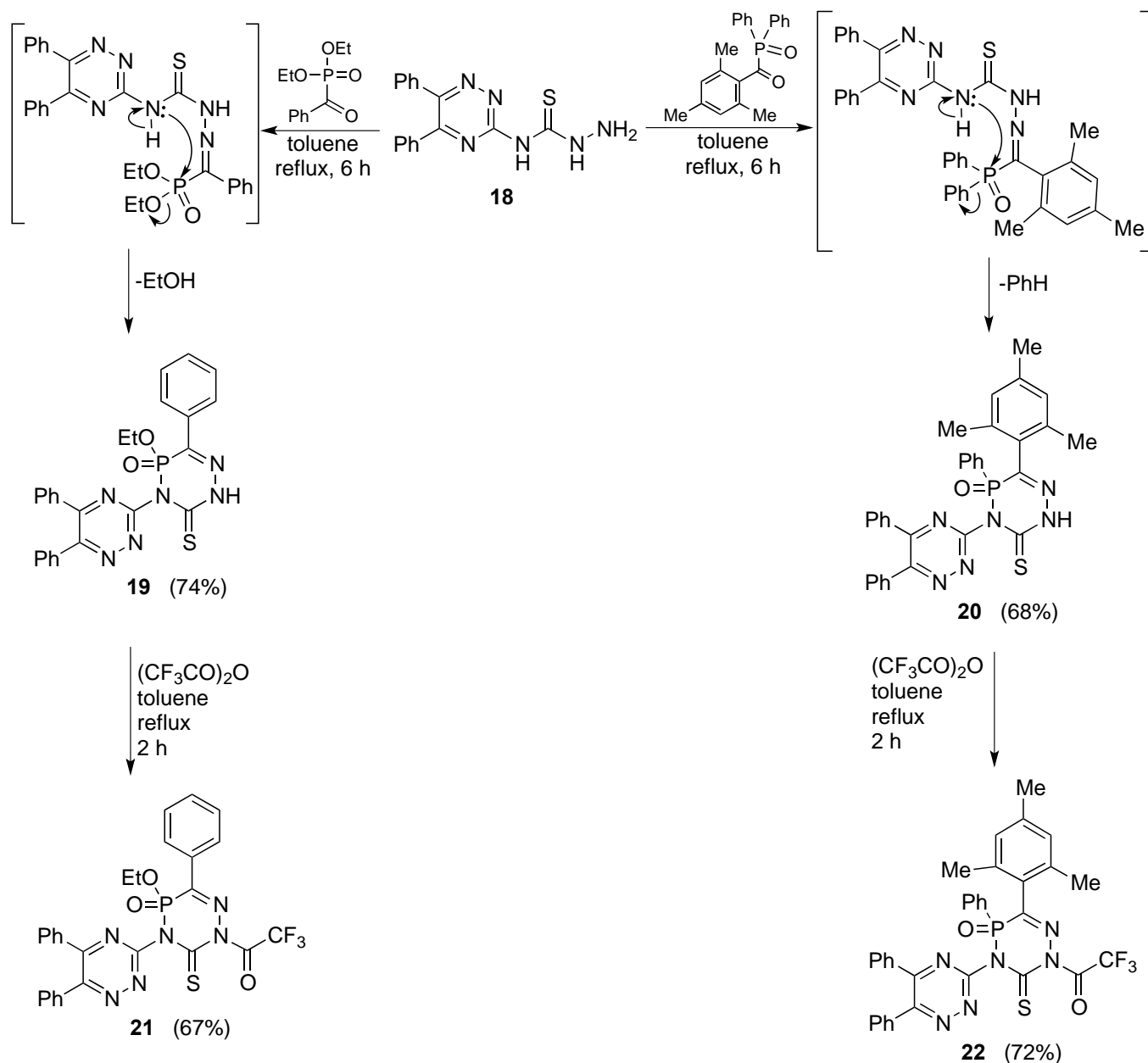
Similarly, various phosphorus/sulfur compounds containing heterobicyclic substituted 1,2,4-triazines were synthesized from 3-amino-5-styryl-6-methyl-1,2,4-triazine (**11**).²² Thus, the treatment of compound **11** with CS₂/KOH in DMF produced the dithiocarbamic acid **12**. Ring closure reactions of compound **12** with phosphorus reagents namely; Ph₃PBr₂, P(NEt₂)₃, and P(O)(OEt)₃ in boiling toluene/ TEA afforded 1,2,4-triazino[2,3-*c*][1,3,5,2]thiadiazaphosphinine-3-thiones (**13-15**), respectively (Scheme 4). All compounds **7-15** showed anticancer activity.

Scheme 4. Formation of compounds **12-15**

The SH group of **12**, as a nucleophilic group, attacks the phosphorus atom of $P(NEt_2)_3$ by losing one molecule of $NHEt_2$. It was then followed by a heterocyclization reaction of N^2H of triazine ring with phosphorus atom *via* losing another molecule of $NHEt_2$. The formation of compound **15** is shown in Figure 1.

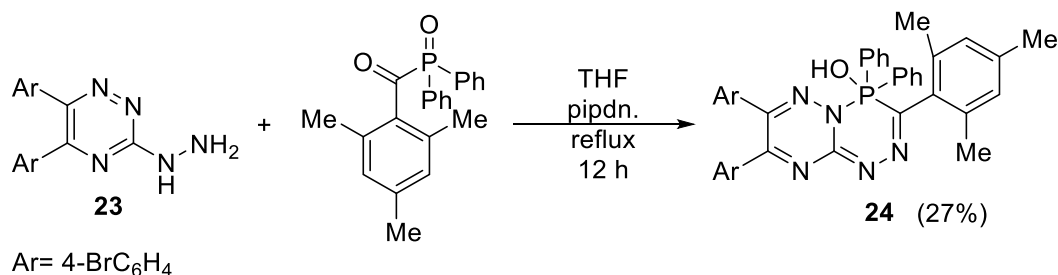
Figure 1. Possible mechanism of formation of compound **15**

The specific synthesis of phosphorus/ fluorinated compounds containing 1,2,4-triazine-thiones deduced²² from N^4 -(5,6-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)thiosemicarbazide (**18**)²² (Scheme 5) by full heterocyclization with diethyl benzoylphosphonate and/ or (diphenylphosphoryl)(mesityl)methanone in dry toluene, yielded the 1,2,4,5-triazaphosphinine-3(2*H*)-thione 5-oxides (**19-20**). Fluoroacylation of the compounds **19-20** by refluxing with 2,2,2-trifluoroacetic anhydride in toluene afforded the 1-(4-(5,6-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)-5,6-disubstituted-5-oxido-3-thioxo-4-hydro-1,2,4,5-triazaphosphinin-2(3*H*)-yl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethan-1-ones (**21-22**) (Scheme 6). All the synthesized compounds were evaluated as anticancer agents.

Scheme 5. Formation of compound **18**Scheme 6. Formation of compounds **19-22**

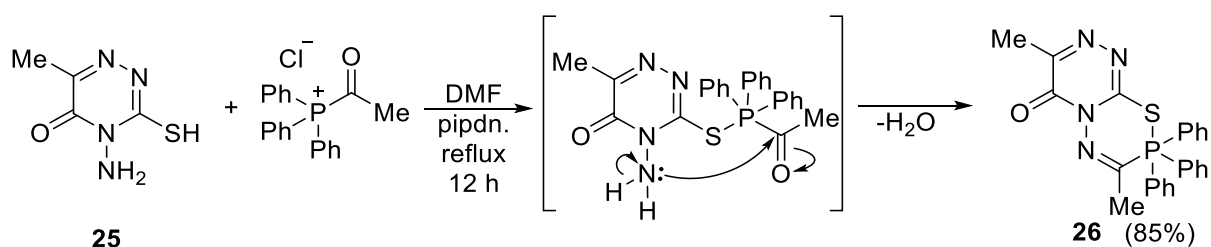
Similarly, cycloaddition reaction of 5,6-diaryl-3-hydrazino-1,2,4-triazine (**23**) with (diphenylphosphoryl)-(mesityl)methanone in THF-piperidine yielded 7,8-bis(4-bromophenyl)-3-mesityl-4,4-diphenyl-4*H*-4 λ^5 -[1,2,4]triazino[3,2-*c*][1,2,4,5]triazaphosphinin-4-ol (**24**) (Scheme 7). IR spectrum of **24** exhibited a

broadband at 3414 cm^{-1} for the presence of OH. Also, ^{31}P NMR spectrum showed δ at 25.70 ppm. Compound **24** was used as molluscicidal agent against some snails in wastewater.²⁸

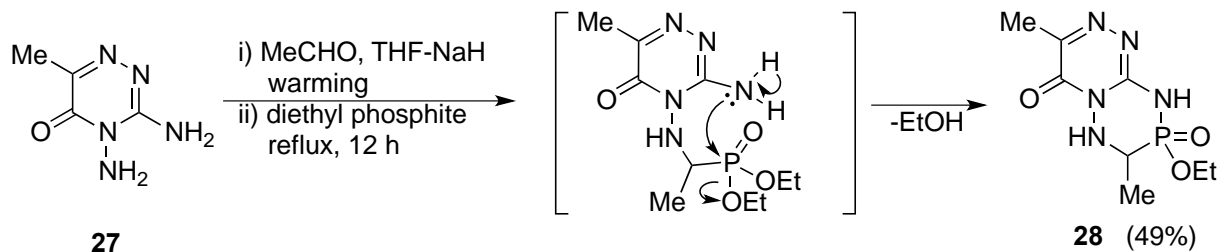
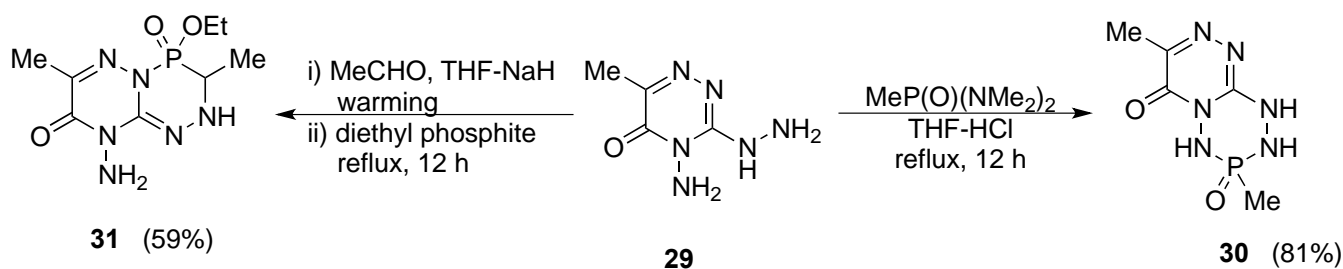


Scheme 7. Formation of compound **24**

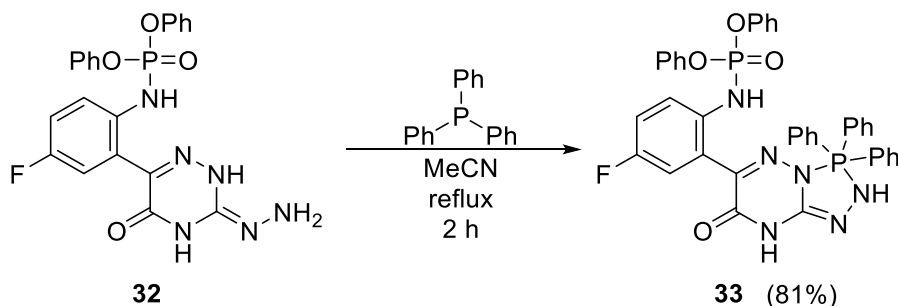
4-Amino-3-(mercapto/amino/hydrazine)-6-methyl-1,2,4-triazin-5-ones (**25,27,29**) were used to obtain fused phospho-heterobicyclic nitrogen systems.²⁰ The nucleophilic attack by the SH group is more preferred over the NH group towards phosphorus reagents as electrophilic centers. Therefore, treatment of compound **25** with acetyltriphenylphosphonium chloride in refluxing DMF-piperidine for 12 h, afforded 3,7-dimethyl-2,2,2-triphenyl-2*H*,6*H*-2 λ^5 -[1,2,4]triazino[4,3-*e*][1,4,5,2]thiadiazaphosphinin-6-one (**26**) in excellent yield, while the addition of acetaldehyde and diethyl phosphite to compound **27** in THF-NaH, produced 2-ethoxy-3,7-dimethyl-1,3,4-trihydro-[1,2,4]triazino[4,3-*b*][1,2,4,5]triazaphosphinin-6-one 2-oxide (**28**). Also, 2,7-dimethyl-1,3,4-trihydro-[1,2,4]triazino[4,3-*e*][1,2,4,5,3]tetrazaphosphinin-8-one 2-oxide (**30**) was isolated from refluxing of compound **29** with bis(dimethylamino)methylphosphonate in THF-HCl for 12 h. Moreover, compound **31** was obtained *via* refluxing of compound **29** with acetaldehyde and diethyl phosphite in THF-NaH (Schemes 8-10).²⁰ ^{31}P NMR of compounds **26**, **28**, **30**, and **31** showed signals at -11.2, 21.5, 27.1, and 22.3 ppm, respectively. All the synthesized compounds exhibited antibacterial activity.



Scheme 8. Formation of compound **26**

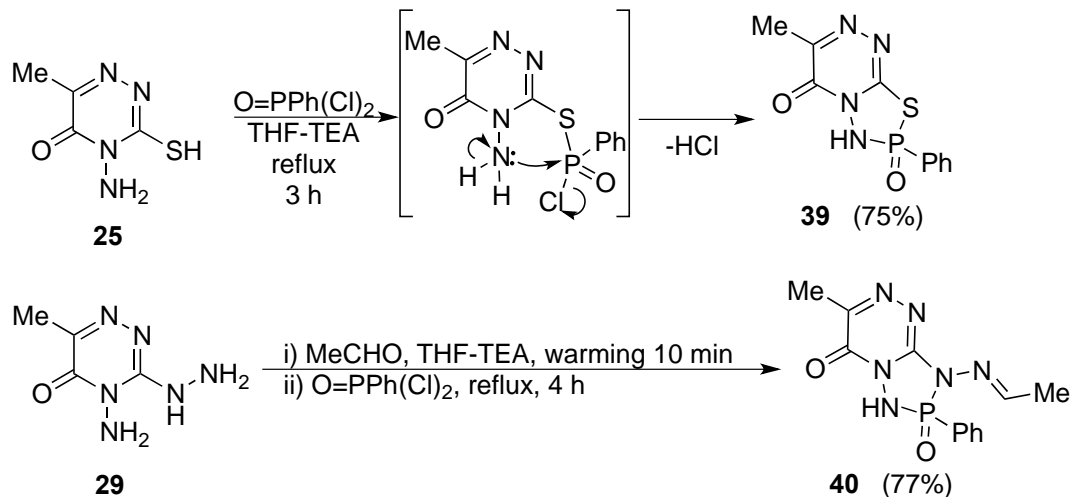
Scheme 9. Formation of compound **28**Scheme 10. Formation of compounds **30-31**

On the other hand, refluxing of 3-hydrazino-6-aryl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one (**32**) with triphenylphosphine in acetonitrile, produced the diphenyl (4-fluoro-2-(7-oxo-3,3,3-triphenyl-2,3,7,8-tetrahydro-3 λ^5 -[1,2,4,3]-triazaphospholo[4,5-*b*][1,2,4]triazin-6-yl)phenyl)phosphoramidate (**33**) (Scheme 11).⁶ Compound **33** showed anti-HIV activity.

Scheme 11. Formation of compound **33**

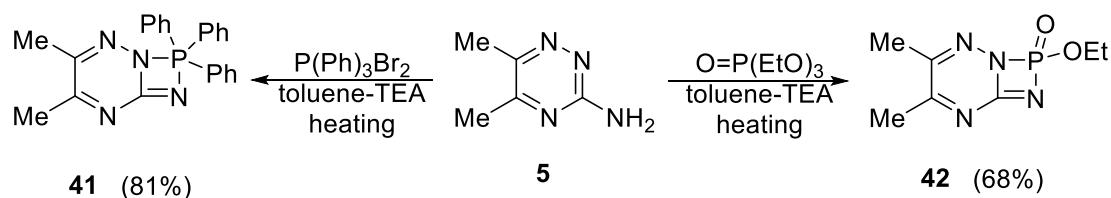
Ali and co-workers²⁸ obtained 6,7-bis(4-bromophenyl)-[1,2,4,3]triazaphospholo[4,5-*b*][1,2,4]triazines (**34-36**) from the interaction between 3-hydrazino-1,2,4-triazine **23** and dibromotriphenyl- λ^5 -phosphane, diethyl phosphite, and/ or (2-chlorophenyl)phosphonothioic dichloride in THF-piperidine (Scheme 12).²⁸ ³¹P NMR spectrum showed resonated signals at 29.61, 14.52, and 47.72 ppm for compounds **34-36**, respectively. Compounds **34-36** gave a good molluscicidal activity against *Biomphalaria alexandrina* snails.²⁸

doublet signal at 8.25 ppm with $J_{\text{HN}^{\text{P}}}$ 3.3 Hz for NH for **39** and **40**. Furthermore, ^{31}P NMR emphasized resonated signals at 55.1 and 26.4 ppm for **39** and **40**. Compounds **39** and **40** showed antibacterial activity.



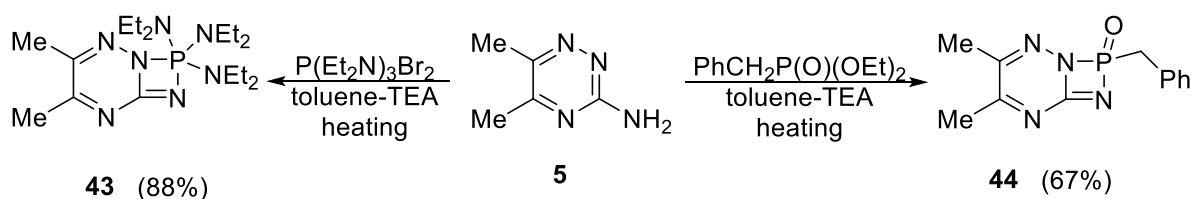
Scheme 14. Formation of compounds **39-40**

Various fused phospho-heterobicyclic nitrogen systems such as 1,3,2-diazaphospheto[3,4-*b*][1,2,4]-triazines **41-42** were synthesized from treating of 3-amino-5,6-dimethyl-1,2,4-triazine (**5**) with dibromotriphenyl- λ^5 -phosphane and/ or triethyl phosphate in dry toluene with drops of triethylamine (Scheme 15).²²



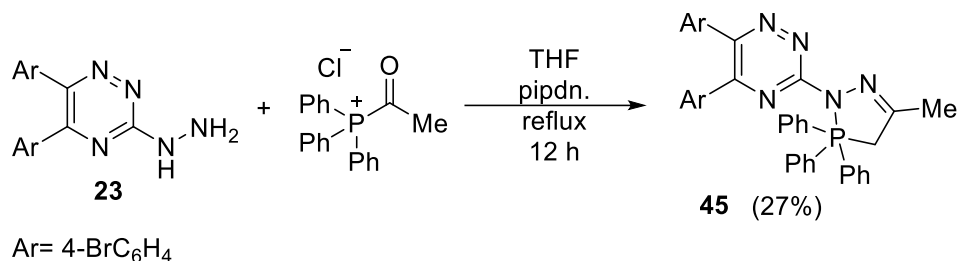
Scheme 15. Formation of compounds **41-42**

Similarly, 1,3,2-diazaphospheto[3,4-*b*][1,2,4]triazines **43-44** were isolated from the addition of 1,1-dibromo-*N,N,N',N',N'',N''*-hexaethyl- λ^5 -phosphanetriamine and/ or diethyl benzylphosphonate in refluxing toluene-TEA (Scheme 16).²²



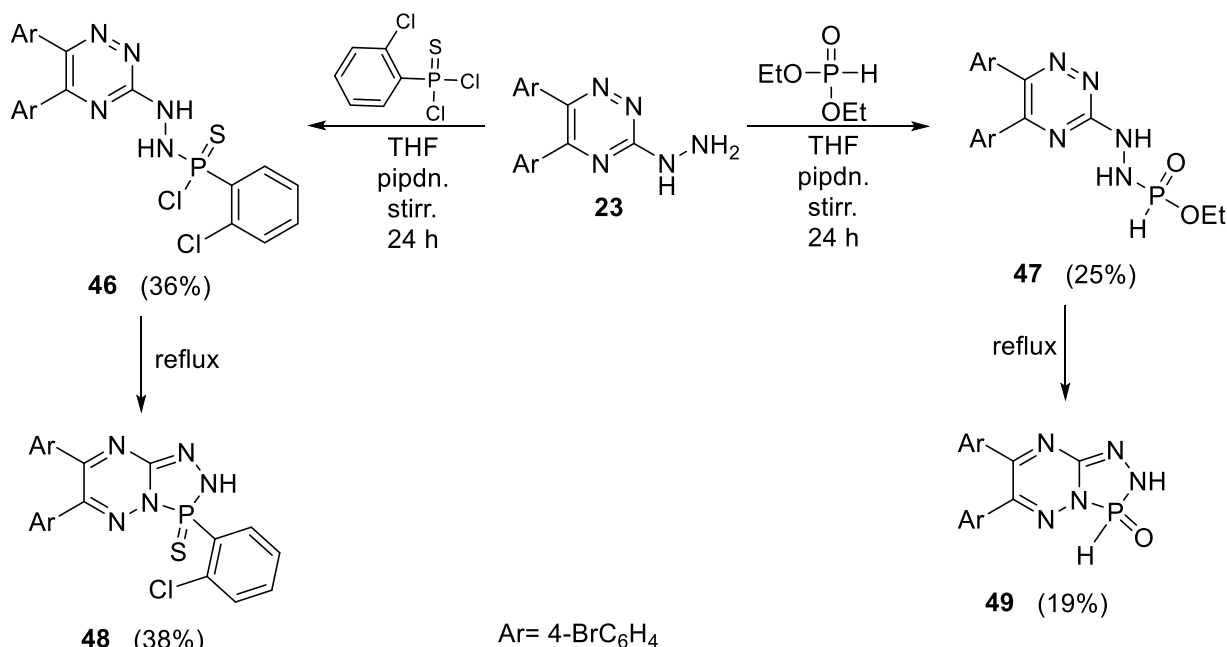
Scheme 16. Formation of compounds **43-44**

Besides, the treatment of compound **23** with acetyltriphenylphosphonium chloride in refluxing THF-piperidine for 12 h, afforded the 5,6-bis(4-bromophenyl)-3-(5-methyl-3,3,3-triphenyl-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-1,2,3- λ^5 -diazaphosphol-2-yl)-1,2,4-triazine in low yield 27% (**45**) (Scheme 17).²⁸ ³¹P NMR spectrum of **45** showed resonated signal at 25.90 ppm.



Scheme 17. Formation of compound **45**

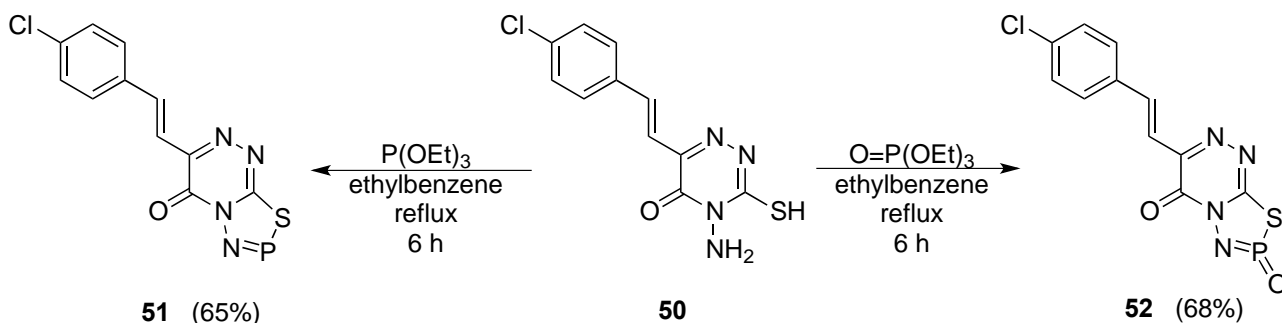
The modification of 1,2,4-triazines by introducing organophosphorus functionalities might be expected to exhibit the potential activities, depending on the position of phosphoryl group of 1,2,4-triazine moiety. Thus, the addition of (2-chlorophenyl)phosphonothioic dichloride and/ or diethyl phosphonate to compound **23** in THF-piperidine by stirring at room temperature, produced the (2-(5,6-bis(4-bromophenyl)-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)hydrazineyl)(2-chlorophenyl)phosphinothioic chloride (**46**) and/ or ethyl (2-(5,6-bis(4-bromophenyl)-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)hydrazineyl)phosphinate (**47**), respectively.



Scheme 18. Formation of compounds **46-49**

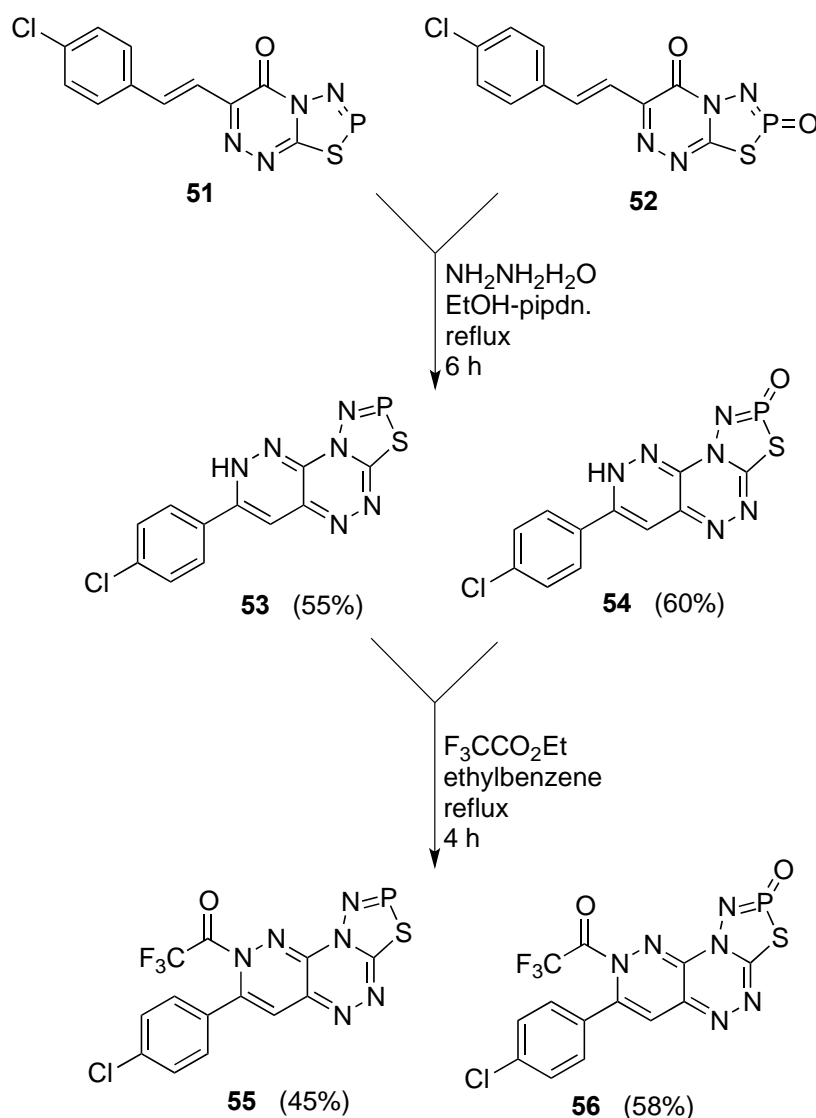
By continuing the reactions in the same conditions *via* refluxing for 12 h, the 6,7-bis(4-bromophenyl)-2*H*-[1,2,4,3]triazaphospholo[4,5-*b*][1,2,4]triazine 3-oxide (**48**) and 6,7-bis(4-bromophenyl)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-2*H*-[1,2,4,3]triazaphospholo[4,5-*b*][1,2,4]triazine 3-sulfide (**49**) are formed (Scheme 18).²⁸ Compounds **47** and **49** showed vibrational band at 1216 and 1218 cm^{-1} for P=O group. ^{31}P NMR spectra of **46**, **47**, **48**, and **49** exhibited signals at 7.28, 53.96, 14.52, and 47.72 ppm, respectively. All compounds **46-49** showed molluscicidal activity against *Biomphalaria alexandrina* snails.

Makki *et al.*²⁹ synthesized 6-(4-chlorostyryl)-7*H*-[1,3,4,2]thiadiazaphospholo[5,4-*c*][1,2,4]triazin-7-one (**51**) and/ or 6-(4-chlorostyryl)-7*H*-[1,3,4,2]thiadiazaphospholo[5,4-*c*][1,2,4]triazin-7-one 2-oxide (**52**) by refluxing 4-amino-6-(4-chlorostyryl)-3-mercapto-1,2,4-triazin-5(4*H*)-one (**50**) with triethyl phosphite and/ or triethyl phosphate in ethylbenzene for 6 h (Scheme 19). UV spectra of compounds **51** and **52** showed λ_{max} at 310 and 420 nm, higher absorption of **52** referred to the extension of hetero-conjugated system. IR spectra of **51** exhibited vibrational bands at 1200 cm^{-1} for P=N, and that for **52** showed at 1230 cm^{-1} for P=O. ^{31}P NMR spectrum of **52** illustrated a signal at 18.9 ppm. Compounds **51-52** showed antibacterial activity against *Escherichia coli* bacteria strains.



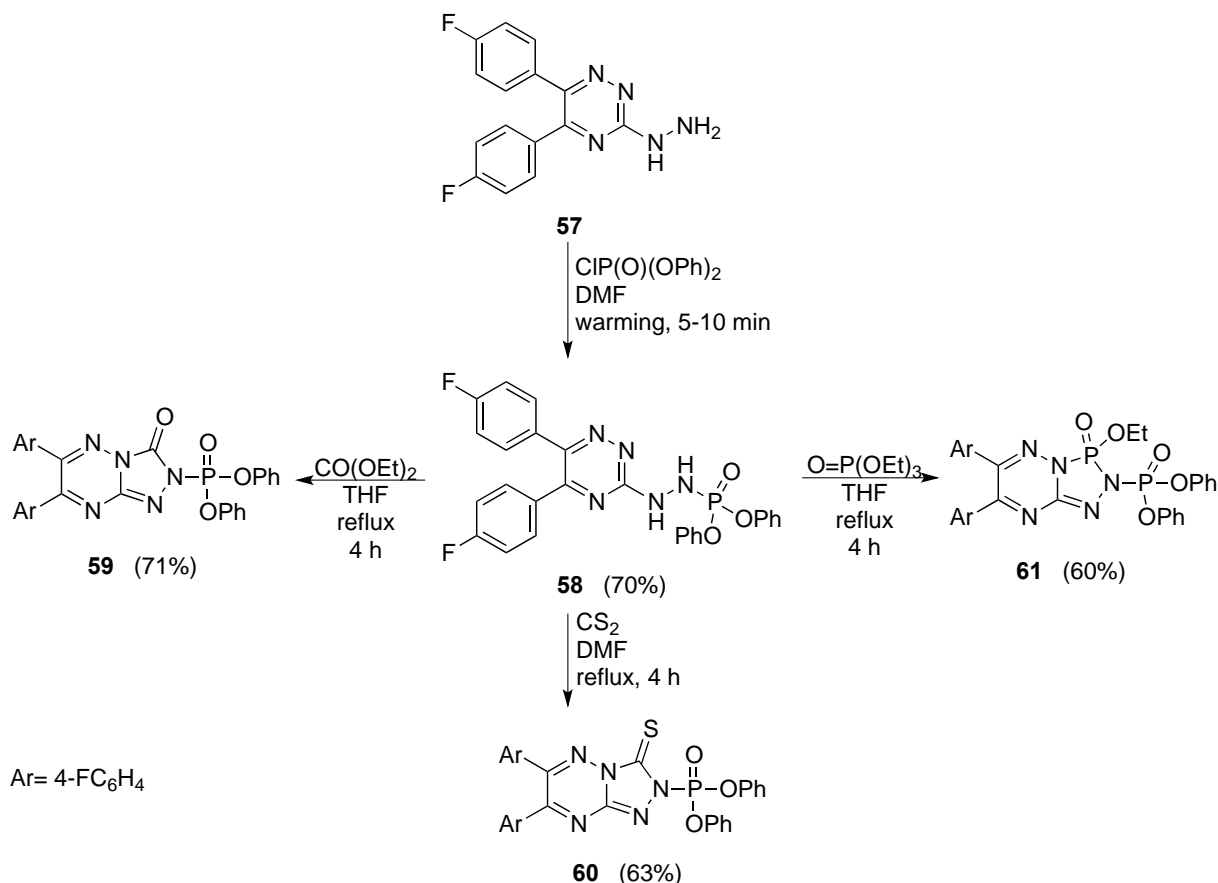
Scheme 19. Formation of compounds **51-52**

Hydrazinolysis of compounds **51** and/ or **52** by refluxing with hydrazine hydrate in absolute ethanol with few drops of piperidine, afforded the 7-(4-chlorophenyl)-8*H*-pyridazino[3,4-*e*][1,3,4,2]-thiadiazaphospholo[5,4-*c*][1,2,4]triazine (**53**) and 7-(4-chlorophenyl)-8*H*-pyridazino[3,4-*e*][1,3,4,2]thiadiazaphospholo[5,4-*c*][1,2,4]triazine 2-oxide (**54**), respectively (Scheme 20). ^1H NMR spectra of both compounds **53** and **54** recorded the presence of NH proton at 8.9 ppm with disappearance of ethylenic protons.²⁹ ^{13}C NMR spectra also showed lack of C=O carbons. Fluoroacylation of compounds **53-54** by refluxing with ethyl 2,2,2-trifluoroacetate in ethylbenzene for 4 h, gave the 1-(7-(4-chlorophenyl)-8*H*-pyridazino[3,4-*e*][1,3,4,2]thiadiazaphospholo[5,4-*c*][1,2,4]triazin-8-yl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethan-1-one (**55**) and 1-(7-(4-chlorophenyl)-2-oxido-8*H*-pyridazino[3,4-*e*][1,3,4,2]-thiadiazaphosphoro[5,4-*c*][1,2,4]triazin-8-yl)-2,2,2-trifluoroethan-1-one (**56**) (Scheme 20). IR spectra of **55** and **56** showed new bands at 1700 and 1698 cm^{-1} for C=O of COCF₃.²⁹

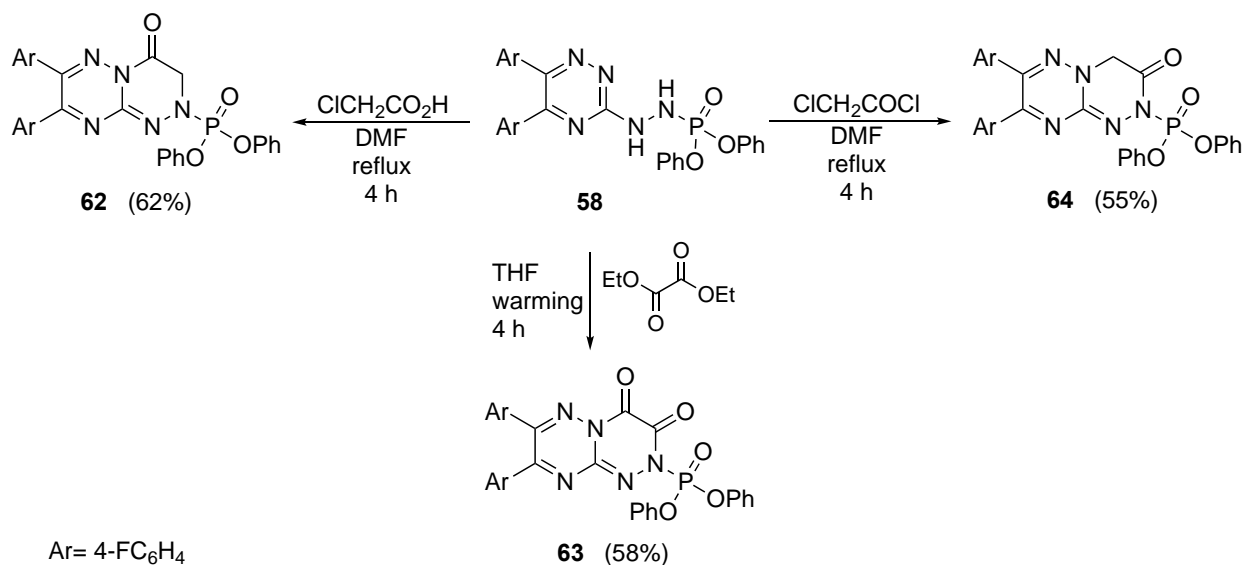
Scheme 20. Formation of compounds **53-56**

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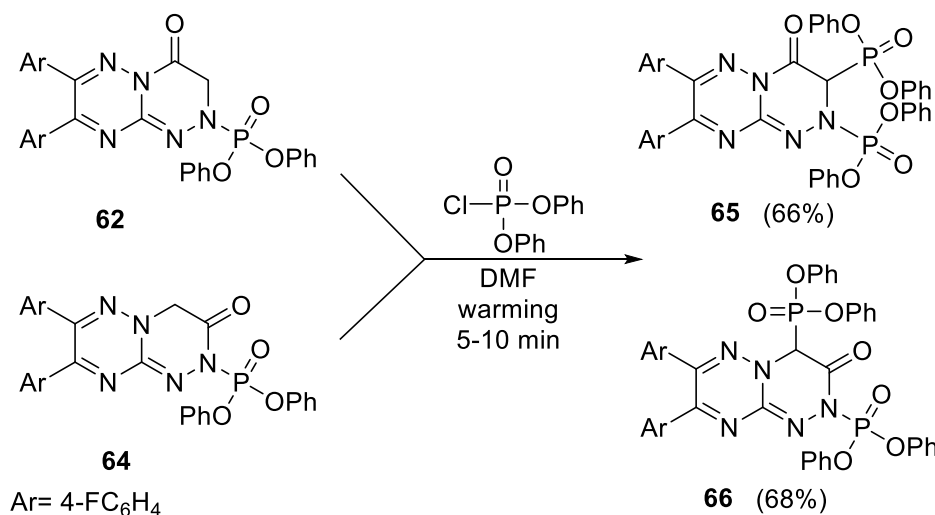
Various types of fluorinated phosphorus compounds bearing bicyclic nitrogen systems were synthesized by Abdel-Rahman³⁰ (Schemes 21-23). Thus, warming of 5,6-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-3-hydrazineyl-1,2,4-triazine (**57**) with diphenyl phosphorochloridate in DMF, gave diphenyl (2-(5,6-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)hydrazinyl)phosphonate (**58**). Ring closure reactions of compound **57** by refluxing with diethyl carbonate (THF), CS₂ (DMF), and triethyl phosphate (THF) led to the direct formation of *N*-phosphonate derivatives **59-61**, respectively (Scheme 21).³⁰

Scheme 21. Formation of compounds **58-61**

Alkylation of compound **58** by refluxing with chloroacetic acid (DMF) and/ or chloroacetyl chloride (DMF), or acylation by warming with diethyl oxalate (THF), produced the diphenyl (7,8-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-[1,2,4]triazino[4,3-*b*][1,2,4]triazin-2-yl)phosphonates (**62-64**) (Scheme 22).³⁰

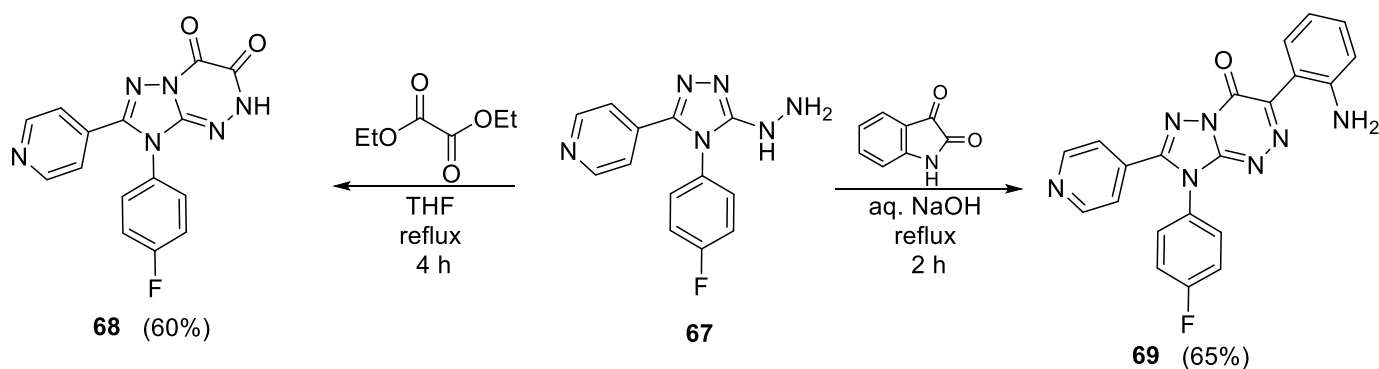
Scheme 22. Formation of compounds **62-64**

Full phosphorylation of compounds **62** and **64** by warming with diphenyl phosphorochloridate in DMF, yielded the tetraphenyl (7,8-bis(4-fluorophenyl)-3/4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2*H*-[1,2,4]triazino[4,3-*b*][1,2,4]-triazine-2,3-diyl)bis(phosphonates) **65-66** (Scheme 23).³⁰ All the synthesized compounds **58-66** were evaluated as CDK2 inhibitors of tumor cells, where the compounds **65-66** exhibited highly inhibition effects.³⁰



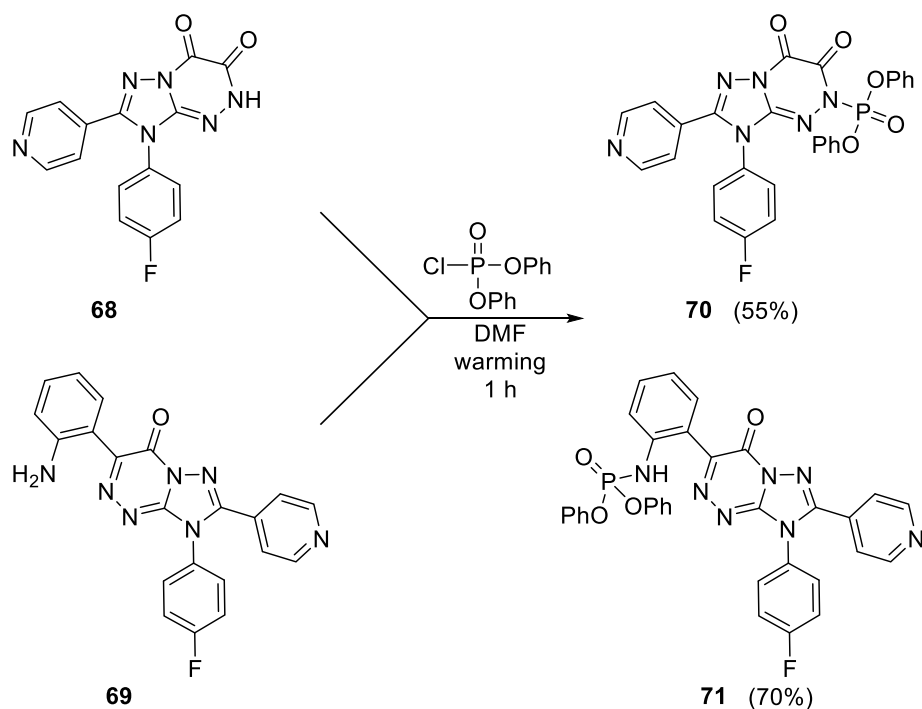
Scheme 23. Formation of compounds **65-66**

Abdel-Rahman and co-workers¹⁷ obtained some fused heterobicyclic nitrogen systems bearing phosphato-groups as molluscicidal agents. Thus, reaction of 4-(4-(4-fluorophenyl)-5-hydrazinyl-4*H*-1,2,4-triazol-3-yl)pyridine (**67**) with diethyl oxalate in refluxing THF gave the 8-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-(pyridin-4-yl)-2,8-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*c*][1,2,4]triazine-3,4-dione (**68**), while refluxing with isatin in aq. NaOH yielded 3-(2-aminophenyl)-8-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-(pyridin-4-yl)-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*c*][1,2,4]triazin-4(8*H*)-one (**69**) (Scheme 24).



Scheme 24. Formation of compounds **68-69**

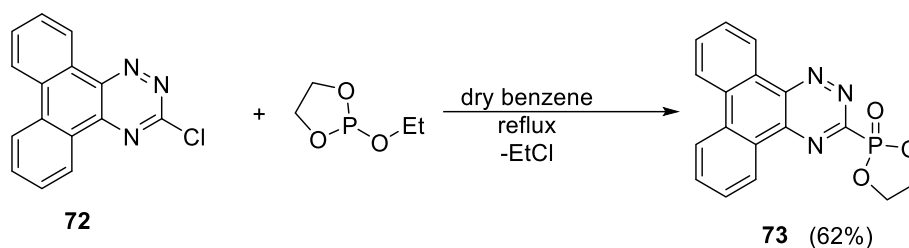
Phosphorylation of both compounds **68** and **69** by warming with diphenyl phosphorochloridate in DMF afforded diphenyl (8-(4-fluorophenyl)-3,4-dioxo-7-(pyridin-4-yl)-3,4-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*c*]-[1,2,4]triazin-2(8*H*)-yl)phosphonate (**70**) and diphenyl (2-(8-(4-fluorophenyl)-4-oxo-7-(pyridin-4-yl)-4,8-dihydro-[1,2,4]triazolo[5,1-*c*][1,2,4]triazin-3-yl)phenyl)phosphoramidate (**71**), respectively (Scheme 25).¹⁷



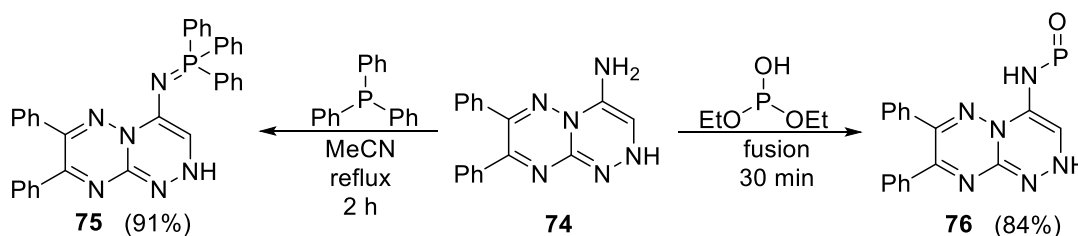
Scheme 25. Formation of compounds **70-71**

IR spectra of compounds **70-71** recorded ν at 1190 and 1170 cm^{-1} for the P-O group. ^{31}P NMR spectra also showed a signal at -2 ppm. The synthesized compounds were evaluated as molluscicidal against some snails.³¹ Only compound **70** showed high mortality of snails at three concentrations compared to Bayluscide as a standard drug used.

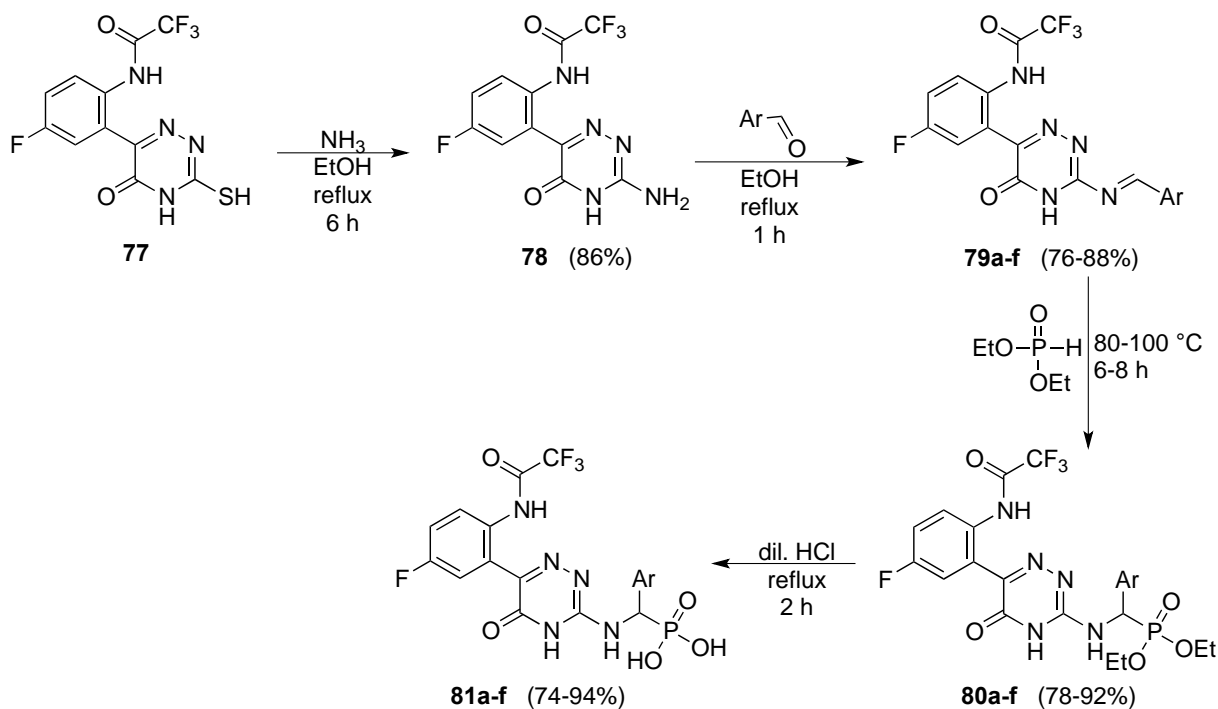
3-Chloro-1,2,4-triazine is considered one of the essential heterocyclic nitrogen systems due to the presence of a chlorine atom, which is easily removed.^{32,33} Thus, the reaction of compound **72** with 2-ethoxy-1,3,2-dioxaphospholane by refluxing in dry benzene, yielded the 2-(phenanthro[9,10-*e*][1,2,4]triazin-3-yl)-1,3,2-dioxaphospholane 2-oxide (**73**) (Scheme 26).³³ IR spectrum of compound **73** indicated a vibrational band at 1258 for P=O. Also, the ^1H NMR spectrum exhibited two doublet δ at 3.8 and 4.2 ppm with coupling constant J_{HP} 11.5 Hz for two OCH₂. Moreover, ^{13}C NMR showed two doublet signals at 62.2 and 62.6 ppm with J_{CP} 243 Hz.³³

Scheme 26. Formation of compound **73**

Bawazier *et al.*³⁴ obtained some phosphorus compounds bearing 1,2,4-triazino-1,2,4-triazine derivatives **75** and **76** via refluxing with triphenylphosphine in acetonitrile and/ or fusion with diethyl hydrogen phosphite, respectively (Scheme 27). Compound **75** showed a vibrational band at 1210 cm^{-1} for N=P, while compound **76** exhibited at 1229 cm^{-1} for P=O. ^{31}P NMR spectra of **75** and **76** indicated signals at 29.6 and 32.1 ppm, respectively.

Scheme 27. Formation of compounds **75-76**

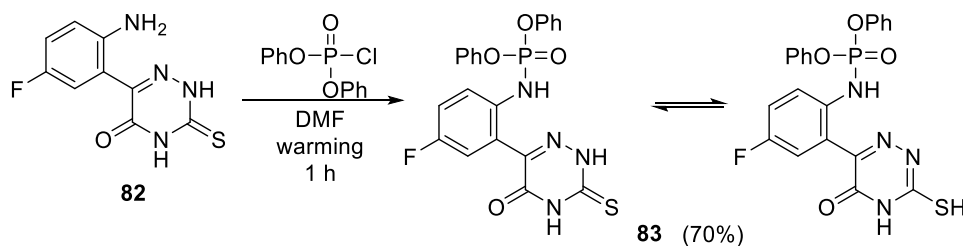
Recently, 3-mercapto/amino/hydrazino-1,2,4-triazin-5-one derivatives have been gathering considerable interest in various applications in chemotherapy and biological area.³⁵⁻³⁷ In addition, α -aminophosphonic acid bearing 1,2,4-triazine derivatives have high importance in the pharmacological and biological fields,^{38,39} such as HIV inhibitors,⁴⁰ protease antagonists,⁴¹ collagenase inhibitors,⁴² anticancer,⁴³ antibacterial,⁴⁴ and antiviral,⁴⁵ probes. Besides, the introduction of fluorine atoms to heterocyclic nitrogen systems often enhances and improves their biological properties.⁴⁶⁻⁴⁸ Based upon these observations, Makki *et al.*¹⁶ obtained diethyl (((6-(5-fluoro-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroacetamido)phenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)amino)(aryl)methyl)phosphonates **80a-f** and (((6-(5-fluoro-2-(2,2,2-trifluoroacetamido)phenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)amino)(aryl)methyl)-phosphonic acids **81a-f** via the addition of diethyl phosphate to Schiff bases **79a-f** followed by acidic hydrolysis (Scheme 28). Compound **81f** showed promising high antioxidant activity in comparison with the standard drug used.



Ar; a= 2-NO₂C₆H₄, b=3-NO₂C₆H₄, c=4-NO₂C₆H₄, d=4-BrC₆H₄, e=4-ClC₆H₄, f=4-FC₆H₄

Scheme 28. Formation of compounds **78-81**

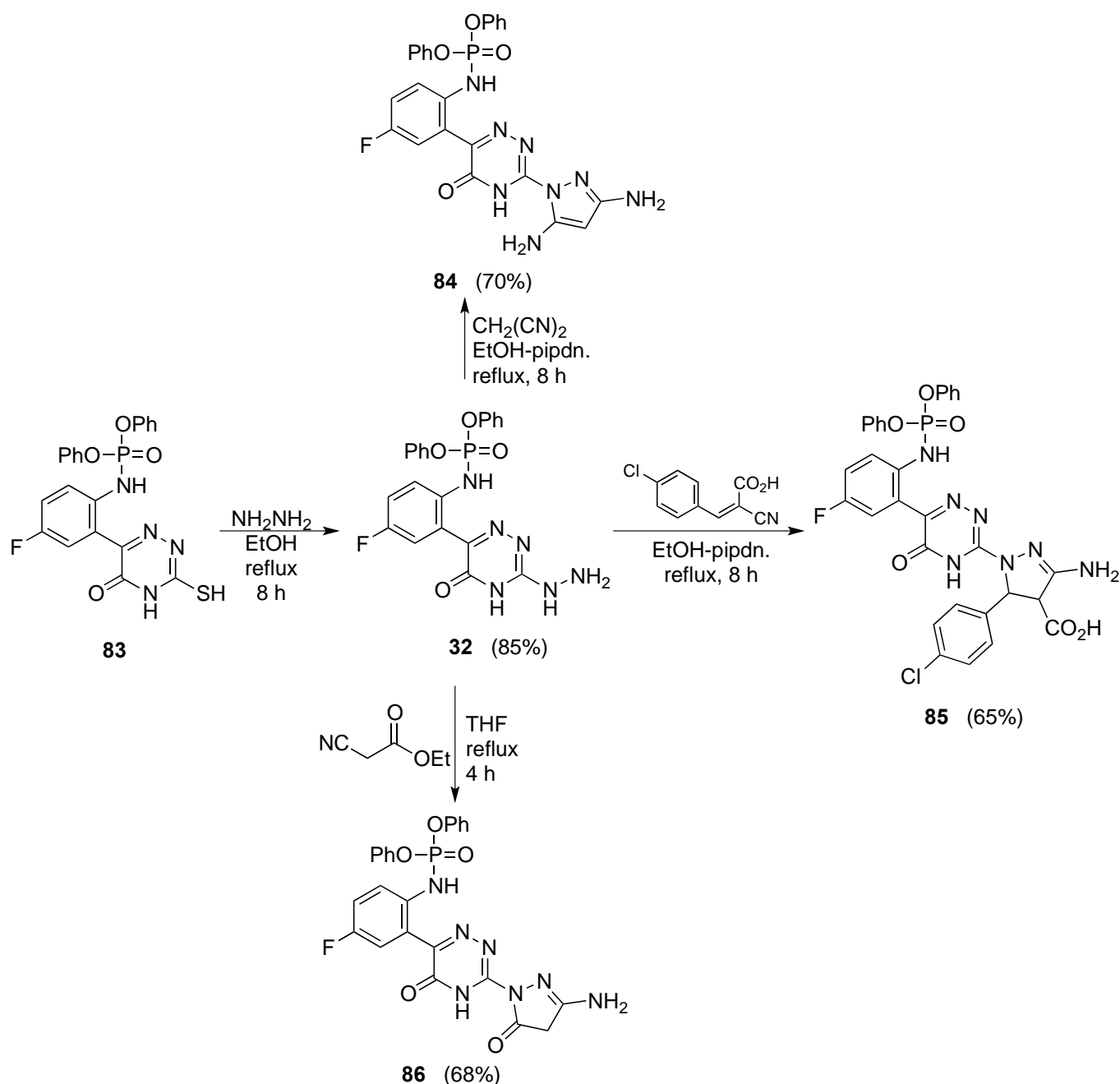
3-Thioxo/amino/hydrazino-1,2,4-triazin-5-ones used as starting nucleophilic agents (as donor electrons), when reacting with phosphorus agents (as acceptor electrons) produced stable derivatives by donation and back donation. Thus, treatment of 6-aryl-3-thioxo-1,2,4-triazin-5-(2*H*,4*H*)one (**82**) with diphenylphosphoryl chloride in warming DMF afforded the *N*-phosphato derivative **83** (Scheme 29).⁶



Scheme 29. Formation of compound **83**

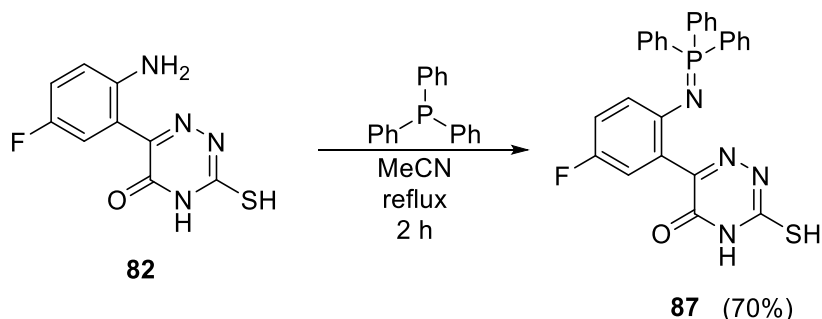
Hydrazinolysis of compound **83** by removal the SH group gave the diphenyl (4-fluoro-2-(3-hydrazineyl-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-6-yl)phenyl)phosphoramidate (**32**) (Scheme 30).⁶ Compound **32** was used as starting material to give fluorine/phosphorus-substituted isolated heterobicyclic nitrogen systems as anti-HIV probes. Therefore, ring closure reactions of **32** with malononitrile (EtOH-piperidine), arylidenecyanoacetic acid (EtOH-piperidine), and/ or ethyl cyanoacetate

(THF), yielded diphenyl (2-(3-(3,5-diamino-1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-6-yl)-4-fluorophenyl)phosphoramidate (**84**), 3-amino-5-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-(6-(2-((diphenoxyphosphoryl)amino)-5-fluorophenyl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazole-4-carboxylic acid (**85**), and/ or diphenyl (2-(3-(3-amino-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1*H*-pyrazol-1-yl)-5-oxo-4,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-6-yl)-4-fluorophenyl)phosphoramidate (**86**), respectively (Scheme 30).⁶



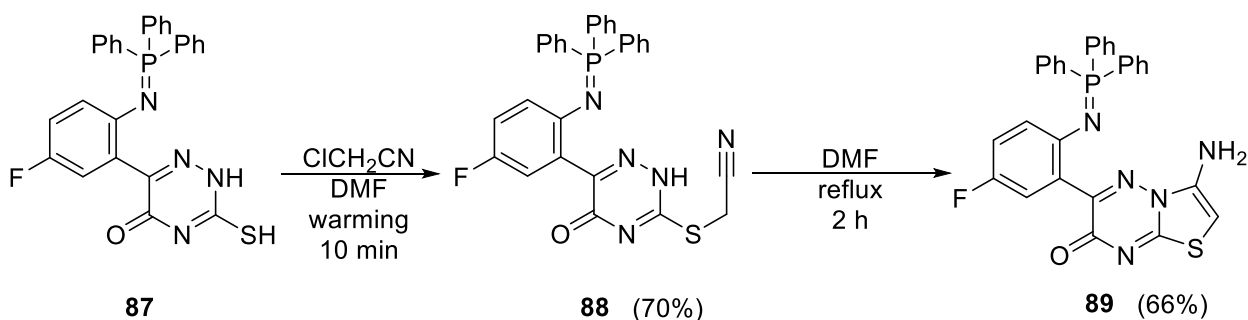
Scheme 30. Formation of compounds **84-86**

Introduction of phosphine moiety to amino group of compound **82** by refluxing with triphenylphosphine in acetonitrile, gave 6-(5-fluoro-2-((triphenyl- λ^5 -phosphanylidene)amino)phenyl)-3-mercapto-1,2,4-triazin-5(4*H*)-one (**87**) (Scheme 31).⁴⁹



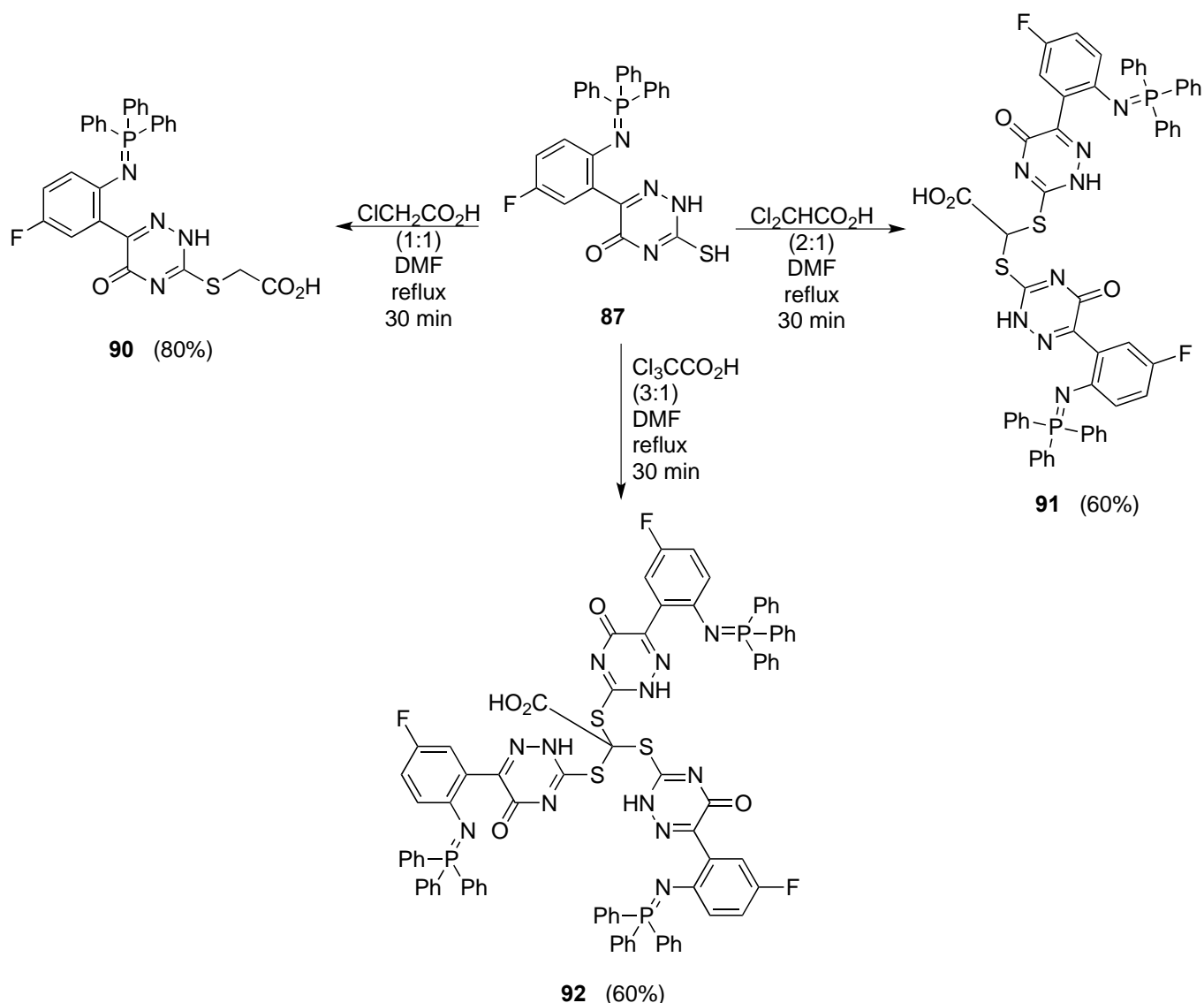
Scheme 31. Formation of compound **87**

Compound **87** was used as starting material to build a variety of the corresponding S-R and/ or N-R derivatives. Thus, simple alkylation of compound **87** by warming with chloroacetonitrile in DMF at 40 °C for 10 min produced 2-((6-(5-fluoro-2-((triphenyl- λ^5 -phosphanylidene)amino)phenyl)-5-oxo-2,5-dihydro-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)thio)acetonitrile (**88**), which upon cycloaddition by refluxing in DMF for 2 h, yielded 3-amino-6-(5-fluoro-2-((triphenyl- λ^5 -phosphanylidene)amino)phenyl)-7*H*-thiazolo[3,2-*b*][1,2,4]triazin-7-one (**89**) (Scheme 32).⁴⁹

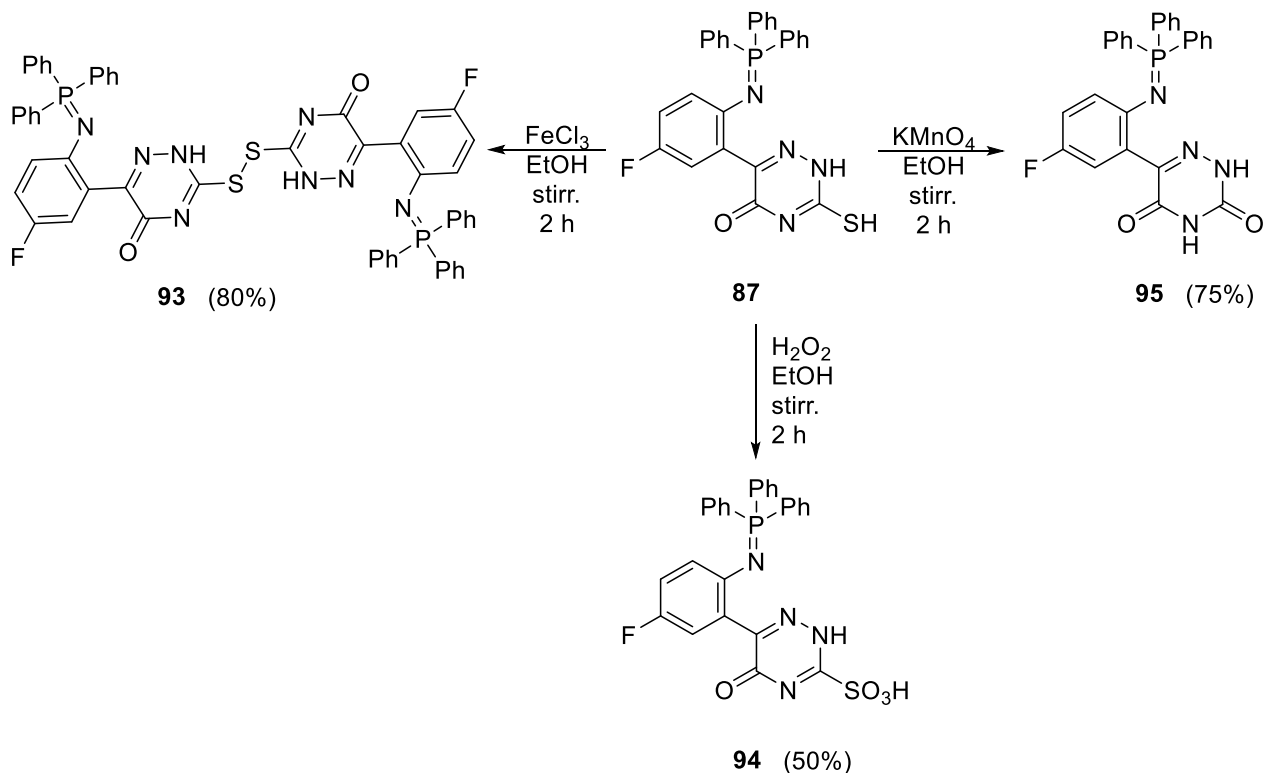


Scheme 32. Formation of compounds **88-89**

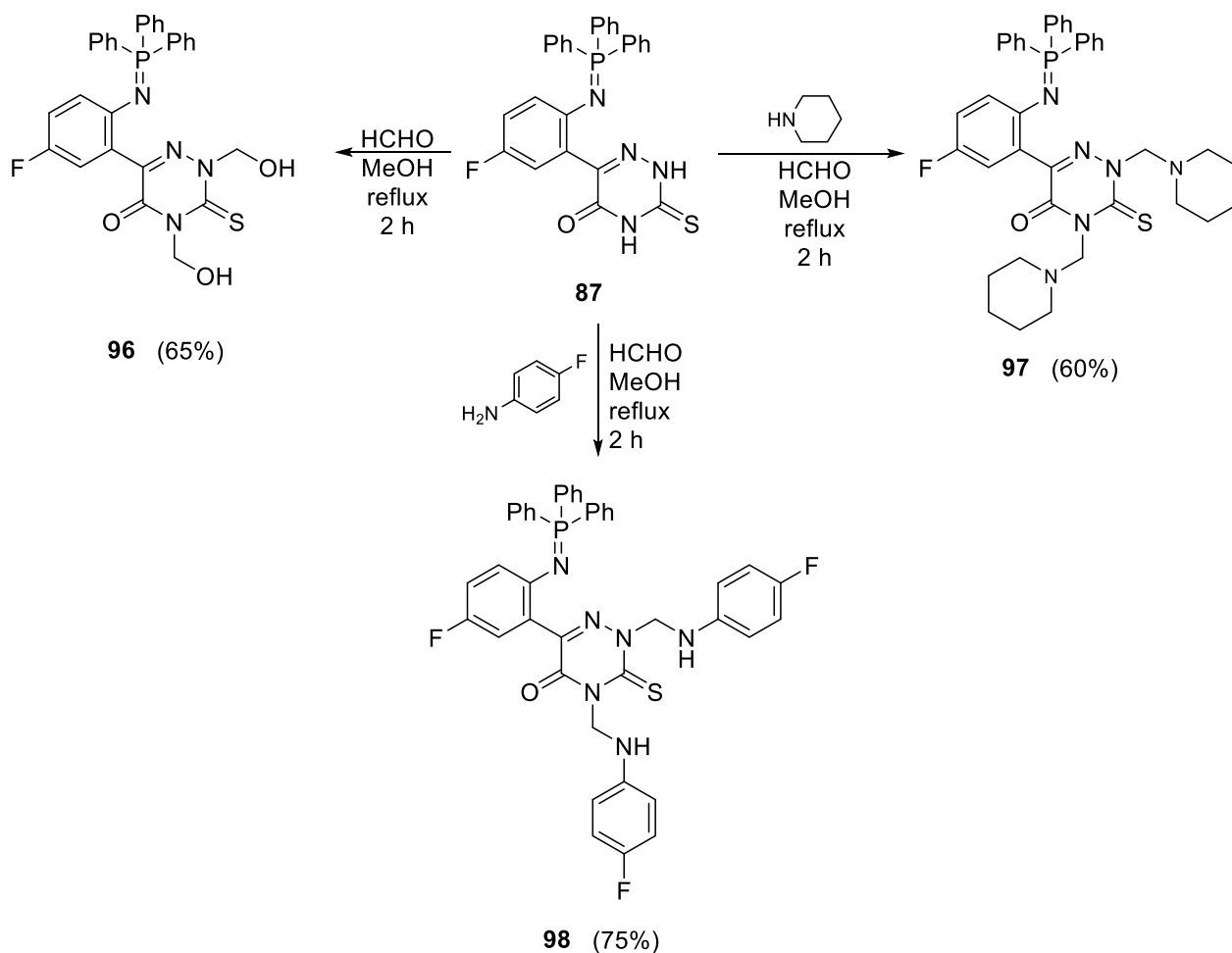
Similarly, alkylation of the SH group of compound **87** by refluxing with chloroacetic acid, 1,1-dichloroacetic acid, and/ or 1,1,1-trichloroacetic acid in DMF yielded the S-alkyl derivatives **90-92**, respectively (Scheme 33).⁴⁹

Scheme 33. Formation of compounds **90-92**

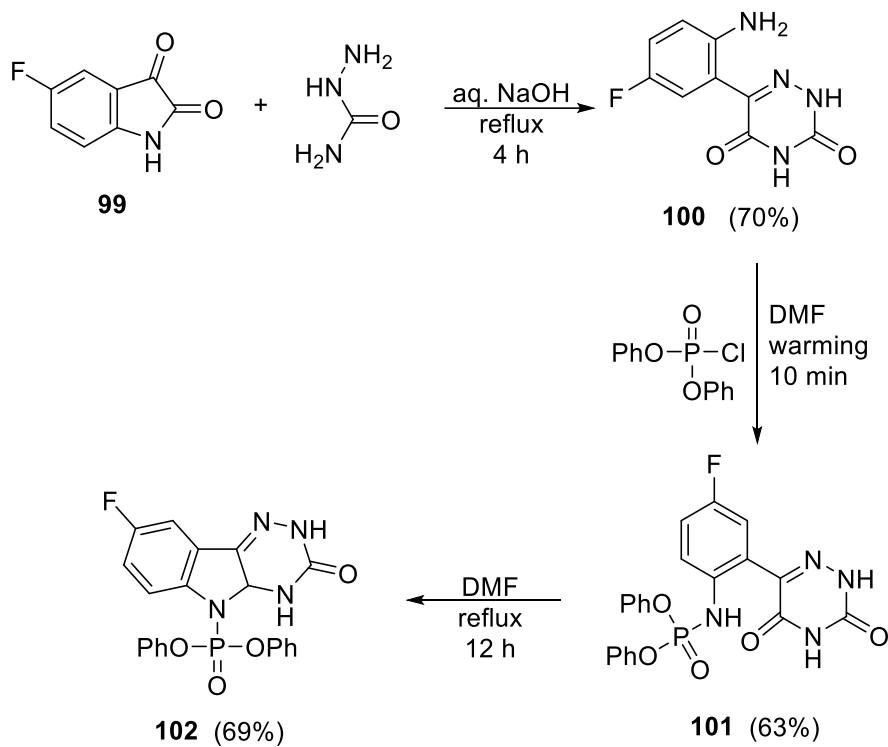
Careful oxidation of **87** by stirring with FeCl_3 in EtOH, H_2O_2 in EtOH, and/ or alcoholic KMnO_4 for 2 h at room temperature, afforded the disulfide **93**, sulfonic acid **94**, and/ or 6-azauracil **95**, respectively (Scheme 34).⁴⁹ The synthesized compounds **87**, **92**, **93**, and **95** showed high mortal activity against some snails as molluscicidal agents.⁴⁹

Scheme 34. Formation of compounds **93-95**

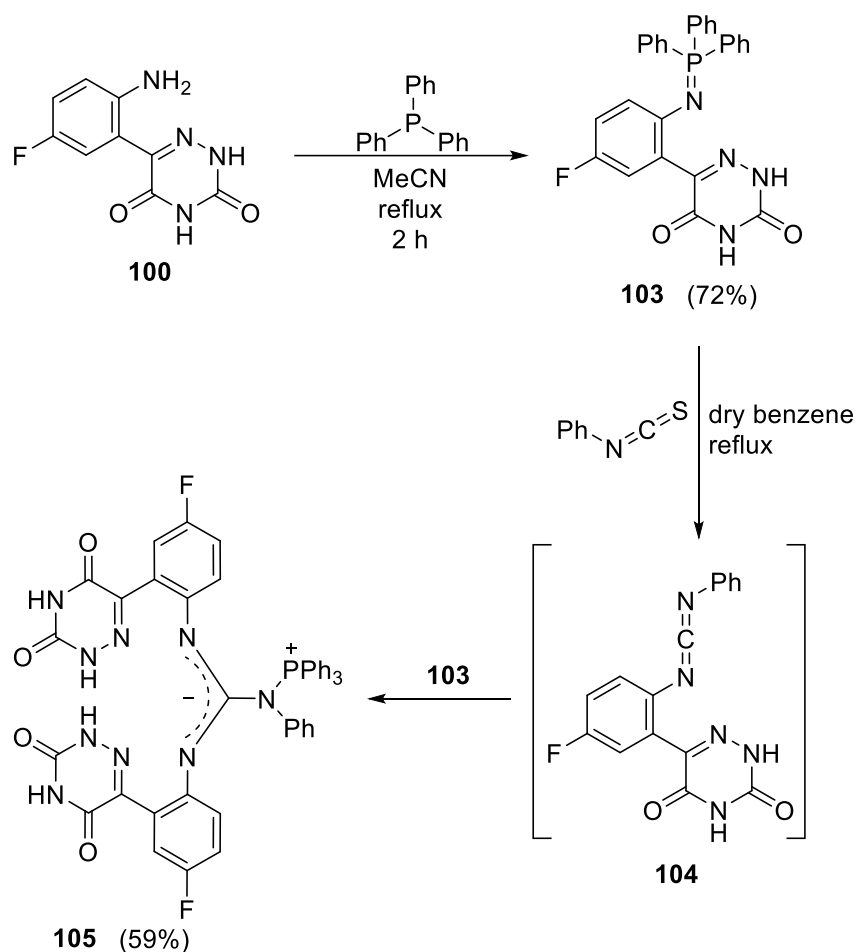
On the other hand, specific alkylation of the NH of compound **87** by refluxing with HCHO/MeOH, HCHO/MeOH/piperidine, and/ or HCHO/MeOH/*p*-fluoroaniline, yielded the 2,4-dialkyl-3-thio-6aryl-1,2,4-triazin-5-one derivatives **96-98**, respectively (Scheme 35).⁴⁹ Compounds **97,98** showed moderate mortal activity towards some snails.

Scheme 35. Formation of compounds **96-98**

It is interesting that, cyclocondensation of 5-fluoroisatin **99** with semicarbazide in refluxing *aq.* NaOH gave 5-(2'-amino-5'-fluorophenyl)-6-azauracil (**100**). Phosphorylation of compound **100** by warming with diphenyl chlorophosphate in warming DMF produced the *N*-phosphato derivative **101**. Boiling of compound **101** in DMF for 12 h, afforded diphenyl (8-fluoro-3-oxo-2,3,4,4a-tetrahydro-5*H*-[1,2,4]triazino[5,6-*b*]indol-5-yl)phosphonate (**102**) (Scheme 36).⁵⁰ Compounds **100-102** showed antioxidant activity.

Scheme 36. Formation of compounds **100-102**

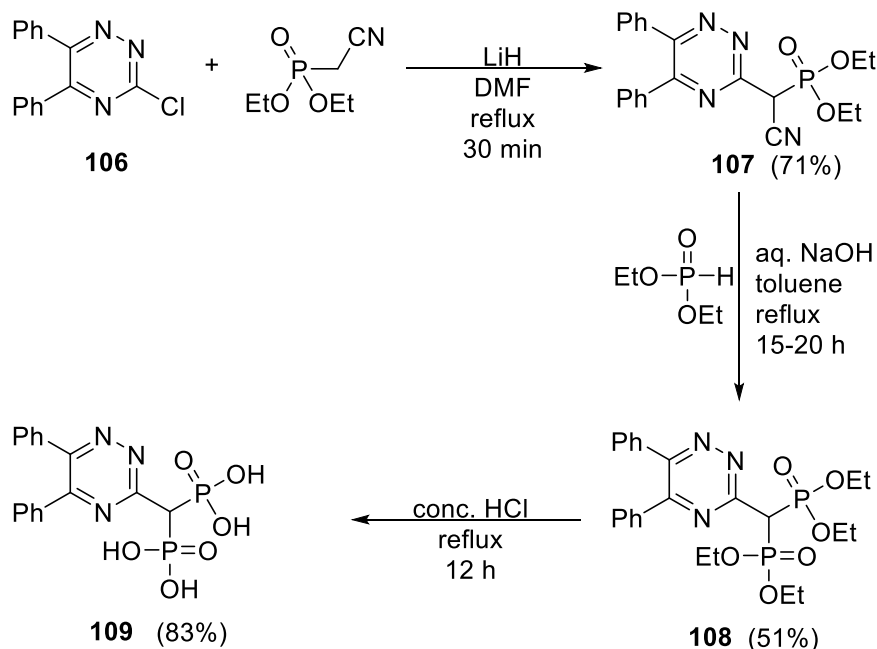
According to Molina *et al.*,⁵¹ Abdel-Rahman *et al.*⁵⁰ obtained iminophosphonylides and studied their behavior towards aza-Wittig's type reactions with isothiocyanate leading to mesoionic (Zwitterionic). Thus, treatment of compound **100** with PPh_3 in MeCN, produced the iminophosphine derivative **103**, which upon addition of phenyl isothiocyanate in dry benzene gave the dipole **104**. The second addition of **103** afforded Zwitterion compound **105** (Scheme 37).

Scheme 37. Formation of compounds **103-105**

The structures of products **103** and **104** were deduced from their spectral data. Therefore, UV absorption spectrum of **103** recorded λ_{max} at 266 nm, while that of **105** exhibited λ_{max} at 315 nm. Higher absorption wavelength of **105** in comparison with **103** confirmed that the 1,3-dipolar electronic system is formed. IR spectrum of **105** showed a characteristic band at 2400 cm^{-1} which is attributed to a 1,3-dipolar group. Also, the IR spectrum of **103** recorded a band at 996 cm^{-1} for the presence of the P=N functional group. In addition, a mass spectral study of **105** revealed the presence of a molecular ion peak at m/z 805 (0.5%) with a base peak at m/z 304.⁵⁰

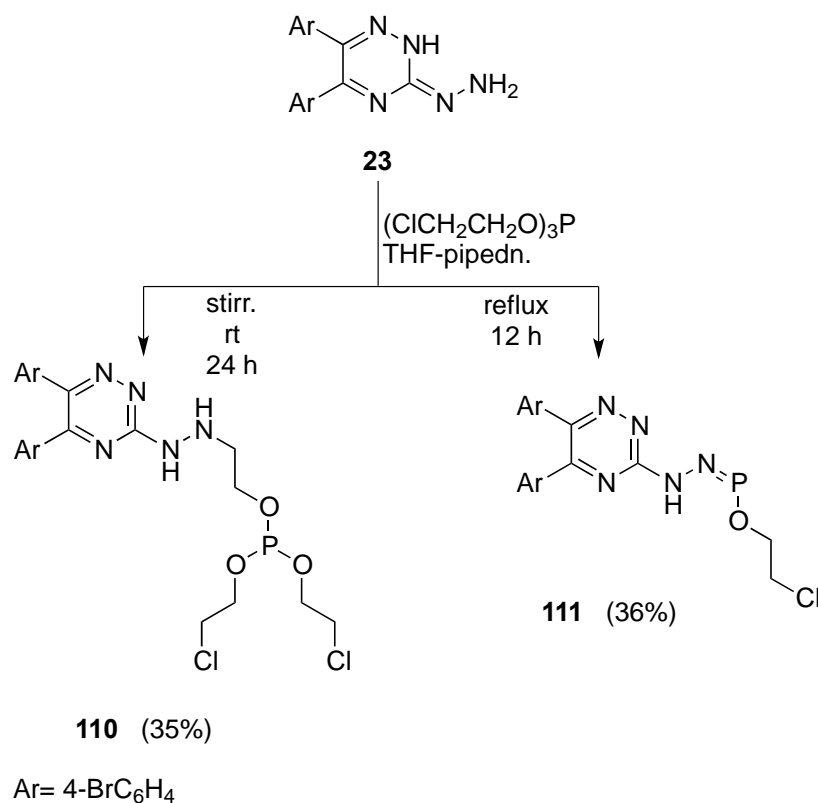
Interestingly, refluxing of 3-chloro-5,6-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazine (**106**) with diethyl (cyanomethyl)phosphonate in DMF-LiH for 30 min, yielded the diethyl (cyano(5,6-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)methyl)phosphonate (**107**), which upon refluxing with diethyl phosphonate in toluene and *aq.* NaOH, produced the tetraethyl ((5,6-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)methylene)bis(phosphonate) (**108**). Acidic hydrolysis of compound **108** by refluxing in conc. HCl for 12 h, afforded ((5,6-diphenyl-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)methylene)bis(phosphonic

acid) (**109**) (Scheme 38).⁵² ^{31}P NMR of the synthesized compounds exhibited signals as **107** (32.6 ppm), **108** (22.7 and 24.3 ppm for *dd*, $J_{\text{pp}}=6\text{Hz}$), and **109** (22.4 and 24.1 ppm, *ss*).



Scheme 38. Formation of compounds **107-109**

Phosphorus atom found in trivalent phosphine behaves as a powerful nucleophile. Therefore, stirring of 3-hydrazino-5,6-diaryl-1,2,4-triazine (**23**) with tris(2-chloroethoxy)phosphine in THF with drops of piperidine at room temperature for 24 h, afforded 2-(2-(5,6-bis(4-bromophenyl)-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)hydrazineyl)ethyl bis(2-chloroethyl) phosphite (**110**)²⁸ which is formed according to Horner-Emmons reactions.⁵³ Conversely, refluxing of compound **23** with tris(2-chloroethoxy)phosphine in THF with drops of piperidine for 12 h produced the [2-chloroethyl-(5,6-bis(4-bromophenyl)-1,2,4-triazin-3-yl)hydrazino]phosphinite (**111**) (Scheme 39).²⁸ IR spectrum of compound **111** exhibited vibrational band at 1334 cm^{-1} for $\text{N}=\text{P}$. ^{31}P NMR spectra of both **110** and **111** showed signals at 14.45, 19.50 ppm, respectively.

Scheme 39. Formation of compounds **110-111**

4. IMPORTANCE AND APPLICATIONS

Recently, phosphorus compounds containing and bearing 1,2,4-triazine moieties received more interest and expectation of further developing the chemotherapeutic field. Most of these systems revealed a wide range of medicinal and biological properties such as anti-HIV, anticancer, antioxidant, antibacterial, molluscicidal, and anti-inflammatory, insecticide, pesticide, besides potential inhibitors for enzymes.¹⁻⁵⁴

Table 1 summarizes the activities of the important compounds.

Table 1. Medicinal and biological activities of the phosphorus compounds containing 1,2,4-triazines

Activity	Compound
Anti-HIV	32,33
Anticancer	7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 20, 21, 22
Antioxidant	81f, 100, 101, 102
Antibacterial activity	26, 28, 30, 31, 39, 40, 51, 52
Molluscicidal activity	24, 33, 34, 35, 36, 46, 47, 48, 49, 70, 71, 87, 92, 93, 95, 97, 98
Potential inhibitors for enzymes	59, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66

5. CONCLUSION

This review reports the importance and vital routes to synthesize most phosphorus compounds bonded with 1,2,4-triazine moieties because of their chemical and medicinal properties. It also presents two types of these systems: phosphorus-containing and/ or bearing 1,2,4-triazines with various conditions of the syntheses. We hope it plays a fundamental role in the area of both phosphorus and 1,2,4-triazine fields.

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