

Two single-enantiomer (R and S) Amidophosphoesters

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The compound $(C_6H_5O)_2P(O)[NHCH(CH_3)(C_6H_5)]$ exists in previously published papers, with together its melting point, elemental analysis and selected mass spectrum peaks, and with no sign of the type of $NHCH(CH_3)(C_6H_5)$ fragment as R, S or racemic. Here, the crystal structures of $(C_6H_5O)_2P(O)[NH(+)]CH(CH_3)(C_6H_5]$ and $(C_6H_5O)_2P(O)[NH(-)]CH(CH_3)(C_6H_5]$ are reported. The compounds are named as diphenyl (R-(+)- α -methylbenzylamido)phosphate, (I), and diphenyl (S-(-)- α -methylbenzylamido)phosphate, (II). In both structures, the chiral one-dimensional hydrogen-bonded architectures, along [010], are built from $NH\dots OP$ interactions; however, they are mirror images of each other. The assemblies of these compounds include the non-centrosymmetric graph-set motif $C(4)$ and the compounds crystallize in the chiral space group $P2_1$. Figure 1 shows the assembly of the structure (II), for a typical example. For each molecule, the two C_6H_5O groups bonded to phosphorus are different in NMR media (monitored by 1H and ^{13}C NMR). For both compounds, the phosphorus signal exactly appears at -0.81 ppm ($DMSO-d_6$), in a calibrated condition (concentration, temperature).

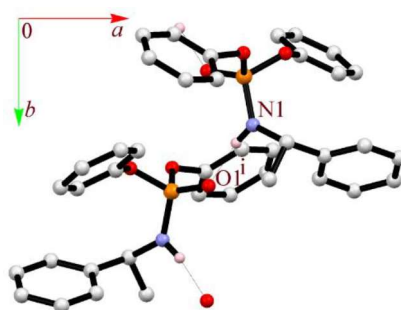


Fig. 1 A partial view of crystal packing of (II) showing the linear hydrogen bond pattern along the b axis. The $N-H\dots O$ hydrogen bonds are shown as dotted lines. The C-bound H atoms have been omitted for clarity.

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