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Synthesis and Reduction of an NHC-Stabilized Phosphinidene Oxide

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Unlike the rich chemistry of nitrosobenzene,^[1] the chemistry of the heavier *P*-analogue phosphinidene oxide is not known so much. It has been mostly studied under matrix condition.^[2,3] Here we will present our recent findings for the isolation of an *N*-heterocyclic carbene (NHC)-stabilized phosphinidene oxide from the controlled oxygenation of the corresponding phosphinidene.^[4] The one-electron reduction of the NHC-stabilized phosphinidene oxide mimics the pinacol coupling reaction. On the other hand, two-electron reduction leads to the formation of the C-H activated product at the P-centre.

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