## $\alpha$ -Azido bisphosphonates: synthesis and nucleotide analogues

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#### **Materials and Methods**

Proton spectra were referenced to residual CHCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  7.24) in CDCl<sub>3</sub> or to HDO ( $\delta$  4.79). <sup>13</sup>C spectra were referenced to internal CDCl<sub>3</sub> ( $\delta$  77.03) or internal carbonate ( $\delta$  168.88). <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra were referenced to external 85 % H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (capillary,  $\delta$  0.00). pH values are reported without a deuterium isotope correction. IR samples were prepared for **1** and **2** as films on NaCl disks, and for **3** and **4** as solid KBr pellets.

#### Preparation of azido transfer reagents

The desired sulfonyl chloride (1 equiv.) was dissolved in acetone and mixed with a solution of 3.5 equiv. of sodium azide in water, then stirred overnight at room temperature. The sulfonyl azide was precipitated by the addition of excess water, extracted into hexanes, dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The sulfonyl azide reagents were used without further purification.

#### Preparation of tert-butyl hypochlorite, t-BuOCl

To ice cold Clorox<sup>®</sup> (250 mL), a solution of 18.5 mL *t*-BuOH and 12.25 mL glacial acetic acid was added quickly. The mixture was stirred and poured into a separatory funnel where it was washed with 25 mL 10 % Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>.<sup>1</sup> The organic layer was dried and stored over CaCl<sub>2</sub> and used without further purification.





Figure S2. gCOSY NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 400.2 MHz) of 1.





## Figure S4. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 161.9 MHz) of 1.





Figure S6. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 399.8 MHz) of **2**.



Figure S7. gCOSY NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 400.2 MHz) of **2**.







Figure S10. IR spectrum (film, NaCl plate) of 2.







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Figure S13. <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectra (D<sub>2</sub>O, pH 10.88; 161.9 MHz) of **3**.



Figure S14. IR spectrum (KBr pellet) of 3.





Measured Mass

229.9734

<u>Element</u>	Low Limit	High Limit
С	0	5
Н	0	15
N	0	5
0	4	8
Р	0	2

<u>Formula</u>	Calculated Mass	<u>mDaError</u>	ppmError	<u>RDB</u>
C2 H6 N3 O6 P2	229.9737	-0.3	-1.5	2.5
C4 H N5 O5 P	229.9721	1.3	5.7	7.5
C4 H8 O7 P2	229.9751	-1.7	-7.3	2















Figure S19. IR spectrum (KBr pellet) of 4.



Measured Mass	215.9	9584	
<u>Element</u> C H N O P	Low Limit 0 0 0 4 0	<u>High Limit</u> 5 15 5 8 2	

Formula	Calculated Mass	<u>mDaError</u>	ppmError	<u>RDB</u>
C H4 N3 O6 P2	215.9581	0.3	1.5	2.5
C5 H N2 O6 P	215.9578	0.6	2.9	7
C3 H6 O7 P2	215.9594	-1.0	-4.8	2

Figure S21. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (D<sub>2</sub>O, pH 10.88; 399.8 MHz) of 5a/b.





## Figure S22. ${}^{31}P$ { $^{1}H$ } NMR spectrum (D<sub>2</sub>O, pH 10.88; 161.9 MHz) of 5a/b.

**Figure S23.** <sup>31</sup>P {<sup>1</sup>H} NMR of **5**a/b.

 $P_{\beta}$  at 202.5 MHz (left) and 161.9 MHz (right), pH 10.88 confirming  $\delta$  vs. *J* assignments. The chemical shifts in the spectrum were normalized to Figure S20.







Measured Mass	559.0	0266
Element	Low Limit	High Limit
С	6	16
Н	5	25
N	6	10
0	10	14
Ρ	0	3

<u>Formula</u>	Calculated Mass	<u>mDaError</u>	ppmError	<u>RDB</u>
C12 H18 N8 O12 P3	559.0263	0.3	0.6	9.5
C16 H15 N7 O12 P2	559.0259	0.7	1.2	14
C14 H13 N10 O11 P2	559.0246	2.0	3.6	14.5
C7 H18 N10 O14 P3	559.0222	4.4	7.8	5.5
C11 H15 N9 O14 P2	559.0219	4.7	8.4	10
C15 H12 N8 O14 P	559.0216	5.0	8.9	14.5





## Figure S25. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (D<sub>2</sub>O, pH 10.88; 399.8 MHz) of 6a/b.





<sup>100 120 140 160 180 200 220 240 260 280 300 320 340 360 380 400 420 440 460 480 500 520 540 560 580 600 620 640 660 680 700 720 740 760 780 800</sup> Counts vs. Mass-to-Charge (m<sup>2</sup>z)

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545.0121

<u>Element</u>	Low Limit	<u>High Limit</u>
С	6	16
Н	5	25
Ν	6	10
0	10	14
Р	0	3

Formula	Calculated Mass	<u>mDaError</u>	ppmError	<u>RDB</u>
C11 H16 N8 O12 P3	545.0106	1.5	2.7	9.5
C15 H13 N7 O12 P2	545.0103	1.8	3.3	14
C16 H16 N6 O10 P3	545.0146	-2.5	-4.6	13.5
C13 H11 N10 O11 P2	545.0090	3.1	5.8	14.5
C13 H10 N10 O13 P	545.0172	-5.1	-9.3	14.5







Figure S30. <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (D<sub>2</sub>O, pH 10.88; 399.8 MHz) of 14a.















**Figure S36.** UV/VIS spectrum of **7a** in H<sub>2</sub>O, pH 8. Est. conc. ~0.05 mM (E = 15300).<sup>2</sup>



**Figure S37.** UV/VIS spectrum of **7b** in H<sub>2</sub>O, pH 8. Est. conc.  $\sim 0.05 \text{ mM} (\text{E} = 15300).^2$ 





Figure S38. CD spectra of 7a and 7b (25° C, 0.05 mM) in H<sub>2</sub>O, pH 8.

Figure S39. <sup>31</sup>P spectrum (D<sub>2</sub>O, pH 10.88; 242.8 MHz) of 15a/b.









Table S1.	Summary of HPLC (SAX) retention data for dNTP analogues.
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Compound	RT (min)
5a/b	9.6
6a/b	10.3
7a	9.5
7b	9.5
8a/b	10.4

**Figure S42.** Representative analytical HPLC (SAX) analysis. Shown, **5a/b**, conditions described in Materials and Methods.



**Figure S43.** <sup>31</sup>P  $\{^{1}H\}$  of *t*-BuOK-induced decomposition of **2**.

In cold THF (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 202.5 MHz), to **12** (literature value:  ${}^{31}P - 23.1$ )<sup>3</sup> and **13**.<sup>4</sup> Diisopropyl phosphate ( $\delta$  1.313) probably arises from hydrolysis of **12**. **13** assignment based on  ${}^{31}P$  NMR and MS (not shown).



**Figure S44.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (DMF; 202.5 MHz) of the reaction mixture obtained by the procedure for synthesis of "azido" product described in ref. 5.



**Figure S45.** <sup>31</sup>P NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 202.5 MHz) of triethyl diazophosphonoacetate obtained using the procedure from ref. 5.





**Figure S46.** <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub>; 400.2 MHz) of triethyl diazophosphonoacetate obtained using the procedure from ref. 5.

**Figure S47.** MS (ACPI) [M+1]<sup>+</sup> spectrum of the reaction mixture obtained using the procedure from ref. 5.



Figure S48. MS/MS spectrum of m/z 251.



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