



>>Entry Name: (Diazomethyl)phosphonic acid

Synonym(s): Diazomethanephosphonic acid



Molecular Formula: $\text{CH}_3\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{P}$

Molecular Weight: 122.02

Accurate Mass: 121.98813

Percentage Composition: C 9.84%; H 2.48%; N 22.96%; O 39.34%; P 25.38%

Use/Importance: Esters act as carbene sources. They form anions which convert ketones into alkynes

Hazard & Toxicity: Esters are potentially carcinogenic and explosive

>>Derivative: Mono-Me ester

Synonym(s): Methyl(diazomethyl)phosphonate

CAS Registry Number: 89815-68-9

Molecular Formula: $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{P}$

Molecular Weight: 136.047

Accurate Mass: 136.00378

Percentage Composition: C 17.66%; H 3.70%; N 20.59%; O 35.28%; P 22.77%

Physical Description: Yellow cryst. (as *tert*-butylammonium salt)

Other Data: *tert*-Butylammonium salt dec. at 125°. CAS no. refers to the salt

>>Derivative: Di-Me ester

Synonym(s): Dimethyl (diazomethyl)phosphonate

CAS Registry Number: 27491-70-9

Molecular Formula: $\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{P}$

Molecular Weight: 150.074

Accurate Mass: 150.01943

Percentage Composition: C 24.01%; H 4.70%; N 18.67%; O 31.98%; P 20.64%

Physical Description: Yellow oil

Boiling Point: $\text{Bp}_{0.1}$ 59°

>>Derivative: Di-Et ester

Synonym(s): Diethyl (diazomethyl)phosphonate

CAS Registry Number: 25411-73-8

Molecular Formula: $\text{C}_5\text{H}_{11}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{P}$

Molecular Weight: 178.127

Accurate Mass: 178.05073

Percentage Composition: C 33.71%; H 6.22%; N 15.73%; O 26.95%; P 17.39%

Source/Synthesis: Used in synth. of cyclopentynes

Physical Description: Yellow oil

Boiling Point: $\text{Bp}_{0.35}$ 69-70°

Refractive Index: n_D^{20} 1.4534

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