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THE STABILIZATION OF ONLY HYDROGEN-SUBSTITUTED 13/14/15 GROUP ELEMENT CHAINS BY LEWIS ACIDS

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The parent (bearing only hydrogen substituents) compounds of *p*-elements, representing isoelectronic homologues of alkanes and featuring the combination of elements of group 13/14/15 in one compound, are of high interest due to their potential use as single-source precursors for ternary materials, which can be used in small band gap optical devices [1]. Such parent compounds can also find application in construction of new inorganic polymers, which are highly desirable [2], as they represent the alternatives to the established organic-based polymers. So far, several Lewis acid and/or Lewis base stabilized parent compounds, containing binary combinations of group 13/15 and 14/15 elements, were synthesized [3]. In order to expand the element chain and obtain ternary parent group 13/14/15 element compounds, unknown up to now, the concept of donor-acceptor stabilization can be used.

In this report the results of computational study (B3LYP-D3/def2-TZVP level of theory) of complexes of $PH_2BH_2E'H_2$, $PH_2E'H_2BH_2$ and $E'H_2PH_2BH_2$ (E' = C, Si, Ge) with Lewis acids are presented. The donor-acceptor complexes in the most cases are not the stable ones: upon geometry optimization they convert to cyclic structures or substituent migration occurs. In case of LA = EX_3 (E = B, Al, Ga; X = F, Cl, Br, I), there is a strong tendency of one of the halogens to occupy bridging position or to migrate to the acceptor atom of the chain. Pentafluorophenyl-substituents of LA = $E(C_6F_5)_3$ (E = B, Al, Ga) in some cases reveal the same reactivity, becoming bridging or migrated. For LA = $M(CO)_5$ (M = Cr, Mo, W) and $Fe(CO)_4$, there are additional interactions between acceptor atom of the chain and carbonyl groups or the transition metal with formation of six- and four-membered cycles, respectively. In the cases of only donor-acceptor complex formation (without any other reactivity), the stability of complexes was evaluated by comparison of the equilibrium constants of this process and dimerization of free 13/14/15 chains. It is established that the stabilization by Lewis acid is possible only for $PH_2CH_2BH_2$. As a result, we propose complexes of $PH_2CH_2BH_2$ with $PH_2CH_2BH_2$ with PH

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