

# NEW APPROACHES TO P-F COMPOUNDS. AMINE-HF-ADDUCTS AS FLUORINATING AGENTS IN PHOSPHORUS CHEMISTRY

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Amine-HF adducts are excellent fluorinating agents. Their reaction with P(III)-compounds,  $PX_3$  ( $X = OR, NR_2, \text{halogen}$ ), gives  $HPF_5^-$  in high yield. From this product  $PF_3$  can be generated in a convenient way. [1]. Organylchlorophosphanes,  $RPCl_2$ , react with  $Et_3N \cdot n \text{ HF}$  yielding  $RPF_2$ ,  $RPHF_4^-$ ,  $RPF_5^-$  and  $(RP)_n$ , resp., in dependence on the amine/HF ratio.

The reaction of  $Et_3N \cdot n \text{ HF}$  with  $PCl_5$  results in the formation of hexafluorophosphate,  $PF_6^-$ . In the presence of sec. amines, however,  $PF_5$ -amine adducts,  $PF_5 \cdot HNR_2$ , are obtained. These adducts react with alcohols forming  $(RO)PF_5^-$ . [2].

Combined with  $CCl_4$  organylammonium fluorides are useful agents for oxidative fluorination of trivalent phosphorus compounds.

Thus,  $(RO)PF_5^-$ ,  $(RO)_2P(O)F$ ,  $(Et_2N)_2P(O)F$ ,  $(Et_2N)_2(EtO)PF_2$ ,  $(Et_2N)_3PF_2$  and  $[(Et_2N)_3PF]^+$  are obtained from  $P(OR)_3$ ,  $P(OEt)(NEt_2)_2$  and  $P(NEt_2)_3$ , resp.. In the system  $CCl_4/Et_3N \cdot n \text{ HF/sec. amine}$  even elemental phosphorus,  $P_4$ , is oxidized yielding  $HPF_5^-$ ,  $R_2NH \cdot PF_5$  and  $(R_2N)_2P(O)F$ . If alcohols are added to this system  $(RO)PF_5^-$ ,  $(RO)_3PO$  and  $(R_2N)_2P(O)F$  are the reaction products. [3].

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