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ALTERNATIVE TRENDS OF ORGANOPHOSPHORUS COMPOUND CON-DENSATION IN TRIPLE SYSTEMS AND HYDRIDE TRANSFER REACTIONS

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While investigating the reaction mechanism in the triple system NH₄X-+CH₂O+H₃PO₃, much attention was paid to determining the stages of the interaction which can be presented as follows: 1. $>NH + >C=O \implies N-C-OH \implies N-C+ \implies N=C]OH$ $2. \xrightarrow{O}P \stackrel{O}{\leftarrow} + >N-C-OH \longrightarrow O \stackrel{O}{\rightarrow} P \stackrel{O}{\leftarrow} \stackrel{C}{\leftarrow} -N \stackrel{C}{\leftarrow} + H_2O$

$$2. \xrightarrow{-0} P \stackrel{0}{\underset{H}{=}} + > N - \stackrel{1}{\underset{C}{\leftarrow}} OH \xrightarrow{-0} P \stackrel{0}{\underset{C}{\rightleftharpoons}} \stackrel{1}{\underset{C}{\leftarrow}} N < + H_{2}O$$

The mechanism of the stage (2) and the possible alternative processes have not been sufficiently developed. If phosphite-anion is present in the system, one might assume that hydrogen attached to phosphorus can be involved in the hydride transfer reactions: 0 P O HOP H

Indeed, the reactions of ammonium salts of phosphorous acid with aldehydes in aqueous media result in ammonium salts of phosphoric acid, i.e. the reduction of the intermediately formed lpha-oxymethylamine to tertamine occurs and the oxidation of phosphite-anion to phosphate-anion takes place.

These results are in good agreement with those obtained during the investigation of the condensation in the system:

 $NH_4X + CH_2O + H_3PO_3$ >NCH₂P(OH)₂ + H₂O > NCH₂P(OH)₂ + H₂O > NCH₃·H₃PO₄ where X: Cl , OC(O)CF₃, SO₄² , H₂PO₃, C₂O₄² , \bar{O} C(O)CH₃, \bar{O} Ts. It has been shown, that for ammonium salts derived from acids weaker than H₂PO₃ the red-ox(II) process is the principal one, whereas for the stronger acids the aminomethylation of $H_{3}PO_{3}$ (I) prevails.