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Diethyl arylphosphonates are efficiently and rapidly prepared from aryl halides, by a palladium catalysis, performed in a Teflon autoclave under microwave radiation generated by a commercial microwave oven.

**Keywords:** microwaves irradiation; arylphosphonates; palladium catalysis

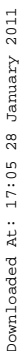
### **INTRODUCTION**

Although many organometallic complexes were efficiently obtained under microwave radiation,<sup>[1]</sup> homogeneous catalysed reactions by organometallic complexes were up to now, seldomly used.<sup>[2]</sup> The air sensitive complexes, prepared by Mingos, have been synthesized in a commercially available Teflon-autoclaves (design for mineralisation) under microwave in a focused microwave cavity. This technical needs expansive microwave generator. We report herein a rapid synthesis of diethyl aryl phosphonates, catalysed by palladium in a Teflon autoclave under microwave irradiation generated by a commercial microwave oven.<sup>[3]</sup>

### **RESULTS AND DISCUSSION**

The synthesis of arylphosphonates is of considerable current interest in that these are phosphonic acids precursors, which can be used for their water-soluble properties<sup>[4]</sup> and for the synthesis of mixed organic-inorganic materials.<sup>[5]</sup> Arylphos-

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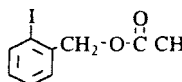
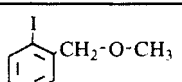
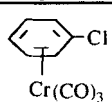
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TABLE I  
Phosphonation of Ar-X (X = I, Br, Cl, OSO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>) under microwave irradiation.

	Ar 1	X	Time min. (power W)	Yield % <sup>(1)</sup> 2	<sup>31</sup> P NMR
<b>a</b>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> -	I	9(490)	87	18.7
		Cl	15(490)	0	
<b>b</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	11(490)	91	
		Br	11(490)	53	19.4
		Br	22(455)	65	
		O-SO <sub>2</sub> -CF <sub>3</sub>	10(350)	31	
<b>c</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> O-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	9(490)	96	17.5
<b>e</b>	4-Br-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	12(490)	60	17.6
<b>f</b>	4-Cl-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	13(490)	97	17.4
<b>g</b>	4-H <sub>2</sub> OC-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	4((100)	13 <sup>(2)</sup>	17.2
<b>h</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -O-CO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	11(490)	78	16.9
<b>i</b>	3-CH <sub>3</sub> -O-CO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	9(490)	80	17.0
<b>j</b>	2-CH <sub>3</sub> -O-CO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	15(490)	trace	15.9
<b>k</b>	 CH <sub>2</sub> -O-C(=O)CH <sub>3</sub>	I	9(520)	31	17.8 <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>l</b>	 CH <sub>2</sub> -O-CH <sub>3</sub>	I	13(490)	48	18.4 <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>m</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> -CO-NH-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	I	3(350)	46 <sup>(3)</sup>	18.7
<b>n</b>	4-CH <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>2</sub> -O-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> -	Br	19(390)	62	16.8 <sup>(4)</sup>
<b>o</b>	 Cl	Cl	8(490)	80	16.1 <sup>(4)</sup>

(1) After purification

(2) Solvent DMF and final product is 4-EtO  $\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{O}}{\text{C}}}$ -C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>- $\overset{\text{O}}{\underset{\text{O}}{\text{P}}}(\text{OEt})_2$

(3) Solvent: acetonitrile

(4) <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra see notes. [12] and [13].

Triflate was used previously as a leaving group for the synthesis of arylphosphonates.<sup>[16]</sup> Under microwave irradiation, the reaction occurred (**1b**) but the kinetics seems to be slow and so only a poor yield is obtained.

In conclusion, although the yields under classical conditions and under microwave irradiation were often comparable, the reaction rate were generally dramatically increased and the workup was very simple. The method makes use of commercially available apparatus design for mineralisation and does not need expensive focused microwave cavity.

## EXPERIMENTAL

<sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra were recorded on a BRUKER AC 250 spectrometer in CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent. The spectra were measured with SiMe<sub>4</sub> as internal standard. <sup>31</sup>P NMR was recorded on a BRUKER WP 80 SY with H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> as external standard.

### General Procedure

To bis(triphenylphosphine)palladium dichloride (64 mg;  $9.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$  mmol) placed in a 50 ml Savilex Teflon autoclave under argon atmosphere triethylsilane (0.01 ml;  $9.2 \cdot 10^{-2}$  mmol), aryl halide (1.83 mmol), diethylphosphite (0.28 g; 2.02 mmol) and triethylamine (0.22 g; 2.2 mmol) in toluene (2 ml) were added into the autoclave under an argon flow. The autoclave was closed and irradiated in a commercial microwave cavity<sup>[3]</sup> with sequence of 1 min each time until the time indicated in the Table I was reached. After cooling to room temperature, 20 ml of diethylether were added and the ammonium salt was removed by filtration. The solvent was removed and the residue was purified by Kugelrohr distillation or by column chromatography on silica gel (dichloromethane/ethanol: 98/2).

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- [12] <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of new products. **2k**: 1.33 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.1 Hz; CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O; 6H); 2.15 (s; CO-CH<sub>3</sub>; 3H); 4.10 (m; CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O; 4H); 5.44 (s; -CH<sub>2</sub>-O-; 2H); 7.4–7.7 (m; 3H); 7.9 (dd; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.6 Hz; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 14.3 Hz; H<sub>6</sub>; 1H); **2l**: 1.33 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.1 Hz; CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O; 6H); 3.46 (s; O-CH<sub>3</sub>; 3H); 4.10 (m; CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O; 4H); 4.78 (s; -CH<sub>2</sub>-O-; 2H); 7.36 (dt; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 7.0 Hz; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 2.2 Hz; H<sub>4</sub>; 1H); 7.5–7.7 (m; H<sub>3</sub> et H<sub>5</sub>; 2H); 7.92 (ddd; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.6 Hz; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 14.3 Hz; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 2.2 Hz; H<sub>6</sub>; 1H); **2n**: 1.34 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.1 Hz; CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O; 6H); 3.20 (s; CH<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>; 3H); 4.13 (m; CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O; 4H); 7.40 (dd; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.5 Hz; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 3.4 Hz; H<sub>2</sub> et H<sub>6</sub>); 7.90 (dd; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 8.5 Hz; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 12.8 Hz; H<sub>3</sub> et H<sub>5</sub>); **2o**: 1.38 (t; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 7.0 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>; 6H); 4.2 (m; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>; 4H); 5.14 (ddd; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 6.2 Hz; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 2.7 Hz; 2H; H<sub>3</sub>); 5.58 (t; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 6.2 Hz; 1H; H<sub>4</sub>); 5.79 (dd; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HH</sub> = 6.2 Hz; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>HP</sub> = 9.1 Hz; 2H; H<sub>2</sub>).
- [13] <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of new products. **2k**: 16.36 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 6.3 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 62.31 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 5.4 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 64.12 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 3.6 Hz; -CH<sub>2</sub>-O-CO); 126.56 (d; <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 183.1 Hz; C<sub>1</sub>); 127.70 and 128.83 (2d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 14.4 Hz; C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>5</sub>); 132.78 (d; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 2.7 Hz; C<sub>4</sub>); 134.19 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 9.9 Hz; C<sub>6</sub>); 139.43 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 9.9 Hz; C<sub>2</sub>); 170.62 (s; C(O)); **2l**: 16.39 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 6.3 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 58.68 (s; O-CH<sub>3</sub>); 62.19 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 5.4 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 72.09 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 2.7 Hz; -CH<sub>2</sub>-O); 125.50 (d; <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 183.5 Hz; C<sub>1</sub>); 127.02 and 128.10 (2d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 14.4 and 13.5 Hz; C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>5</sub>); 128.59 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 12.6 Hz; C<sub>2</sub>); 133.73 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 9.9 Hz; C<sub>6</sub>); 132.74 (d; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 2.7 Hz; C<sub>4</sub>); **2n**: 16.31 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 6.3 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 62.53 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 6.3 Hz; (O-CH<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>); 129.35 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 15.2 Hz; C<sub>3</sub>); 132.39 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 9.87 Hz; C<sub>2</sub>); 134.79 (d; <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 185.8 Hz; C<sub>1</sub>); 138.75 (d; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 3.6 Hz; C<sub>4</sub>); 191.68 (s; C(O)H); **2o**: 16.40 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 6.3 Hz; CH<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-O); 37.92 (s; CH<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>); 62.50 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 5.5 Hz; CH<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>-O); 122.21 (d; <sup>3</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 16.2 Hz; C<sub>2</sub> et C<sub>6</sub>); 128.00 (d; <sup>1</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 190.2 Hz; C<sub>4</sub>); 134.00 (d; <sup>2</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 10.8 Hz; C<sub>3</sub> et C<sub>5</sub>); 152.11 (d; <sup>4</sup>J<sub>CP</sub> = 3.6 Hz; C<sub>1</sub>).
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