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Dialkyl phosphoryl chlorides generated "in situ" from dialkyl phosphites and  $CCl_4$  on the surface of solid  $K_2CO_3$  in the presence of a PT catalyst can be used for activation of carboxylic acids via mixed anhydride formation and also for activation of ureas by the formation of O-phosphoryl isourea derivatives. In further reaction of the intermediates result in formation of amides and esters by the reaction of amine or alcohols, or in case of urea the derivative carbodiimide forming spontaneously by heat.

In both processes the formation of tetraalkyl pyrophosphate was observed, the formation of which can also be explained by a multistep two phase reaction of phosphate ester anion on the surface of the  $K_2CO_3$ . The pyrophosphate is also consumed for acylation both with the carboxylate anion and the urea.

These reaction offer a convenient one pot method for the synthesis of carboxamides, esters and carbodiimides.

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