

## Phosphorous Acid: An Efficient and Recyclable Liquid Catalyst for the Synthesis of $\alpha$ -Aminophosphonates

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**Abstract :** A simple, efficient and general method has been developed for the high diastereoselective synthesis of diethyl  $\alpha$ -aminophosphonates in water through "one-pot" three-component reaction of aromatic aldehydes, aminophenols and dialkyl phosphites in the presence of a low catalytic amount (10mol%) of phosphorous acid as highly stable catalyst is described.

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