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Electrochemical Oxidation of Metal Dialkyl Phosphites and Their Reaction with Halogens

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Abstract

Electrochemical oxidation of sodium dialkyl phosphites with alkyl radicals of normal structure leads to formation of tetraalkyl pyrophosphites as the main products, while electrochemical oxidation of litium dialkyl phosphites and sodium salts with branched alkyl radicals yields tetraalkyl hypophosphates. The reaction of metal dialkyl phosphites with halogens leads to analogous results.