Potassium Fluoride-Mediated Deprotection of Fmoc-Amino Acid Esters: One-Pot Peptide Synthesis

Significance: The development of step-economic and practical methods for the synthesis of peptides is an important and demanding aspect of peptide chemistry. In 2000, Li and Chou developed a one-pot method for peptide synthesis from Fmoc-amino acid esters and N-protected amino acids by using potassium fluoride, triethylamine, and bis(2-oxo-3-oxazolidinyl)phosphonic chloride (BOP-Cl) as reagents.

Comment: The one-pot peptide synthesis from Fmoc-amino acid esters and Boc- or Cbz-protected amino acids using KF, Et3N, and Bop-Cl reagents proceeds smoothly to deliver the desired peptides in good yields and with high purity. This method is practically simple and can be applied in the synthesis of oligopeptides.