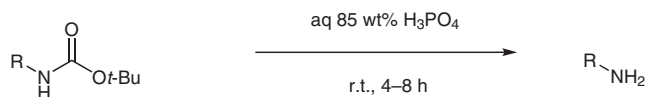


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## Development of Mild Conditions for the Deprotection of the *tert*-Butoxycarbonyl Protecting Group



### Selected examples:

Entry	Substrate	Product	Yield
1			94%
2			92%
3			97%
4			98%
5			94%
6			88%

**Significance:** Protecting groups play an essential role in organic synthesis. Among them, the *tert*-butoxycarbonyl (Boc) protecting group is unique and widely used in synthetic chemistry. Hence, there is a high demand for the development of simple and mild methods for the protection and deprotection of Boc groups. In 2003, the authors found aqueous phosphoric acid to be a mild reagent for the deprotection of the Boc group.

**Comment:** Aqueous phosphoric acid is efficiently used for the deprotection of the Boc group in various Boc-protected amine compounds. This protocol is mild, practically simple, and showcases high functional group tolerance. Furthermore, it preserves the stereochemical integrity of *N*-Boc amino acids.