# Coupling Chemistry of High Oxidation State Cu and Pd



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#### **Coupling Reactions**

#### Ullman condensation—Cu(III)



reviews:

Evano, G.; Blanchard, N.; Toumi, M. *Chem. Rev.* 2008, *108*, 3054. Rao, H.; Fu, H. *Synlett.* 2011, *6*, 745.

#### Chan-Lam coupling—Cu(III)



reviews:

Ley, S.; Thomas, A. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2003, *42*, 5400. Qiao, J.; Lam, P. *Synthesis.* 2011, *6*, 829.

#### Ligand-directed CH functionalization—Pd(IV)





reviews: Lyons, T.; Sanford, M. *Chem. Rev.* 2010, *110*, 1147.



#### The Ullmann Condensation Seminal work

Fritz Ullmann (1901), discovery of the Cu-mediated coupling





Fritz Ullmann (1903), the Ullmann condensation and the synthesis of diarylamines



Ullmann, F.; Bielecki, J. *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* 1901, *34*, 2174. Ullmann, F. *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* 1903, *36*, 2382.

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Irma Goldberg (1906), the Ullmann condensation with catalytic Cu



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Ullmann condensation synthesis of diarylethers (1905)



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#### The Ullmann Condensation Identifying the active catalyst

Paine examined the catalytic condensation of triaryl amines



Initial kinetic observations rule out an S<sub>N</sub>Ar process

k<sub>I</sub> ~ 55 k<sub>Br</sub> ~ 480 k<sub>Cl</sub> ~ 3300 k<sub>F</sub> ~ 28000 k<sub>OMe</sub>

- Reaction is zero-order in nucleophile
- Halogen exchange not observed

Cul PhBr ------ CuBr PhI

photoconductors used in Xerox<sup>®</sup> laser printers and photocopiers



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Cu(II) sources—reduced to Cu(I) before reaction can proceed

2  $Ph_2NLi + 2 CuX_2 \longrightarrow Ph_2NNPh_2 + 2CuX + 2LiX$ 





■ With weaker bases (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>) dissolution of Cu(I) source is rate limiting





The Ullmann Condensation Proposed catalytic cycle

Kinetics and isolation studies implicate nucleophile Cu(I) species as resting state Evidence against radical activation

no influence by radical traps









Aryl halide activation by oxidative addition

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Stoichiometric coupling of more precious alcohols



Wolder, M.; Nordman, G.; Job, G.; Buchwald, S. Org. Lett. 2002, 4, 973.



Altman, R.; Koval, E.; Buchwald, S. J. Org. Chem. 2007, 72, 6190.



Strong sigma donation of ligand stabilizes Cu(III) intermediate

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The formation of a coordination equilibrium



Isolated and characterized intermediate complexes



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H<sub>2</sub>N  $NH_2$ Br Br 5% Cul 10% L1 5% Cul 20% L2 Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>  $Cs_2CO_3$ toluene, 90°C DMF, r.ť. O НÓ 86% L1 = Me Me ArNu NuH Me ·Me Anionic ligand favors Neutral, sigma-donor coordination by softer ligand promotes neutral amine oxidative addition .NuH**†**+ NuH nucleophile Favors coordination by deprotonated X-Cú `Ar Slower oxidative addition favors faster nucleophile amine B ArX Ču-Nu B•HX

Selective O/N arylation

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Maiti, D.; Buchwald. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2009, 131,17423.

Chan's original discovery





92%



Chan, D.; Monaco, K.; Wang, R.; Winters, M. Tet. Lett. 1998, 39, 2933.

Patrick Lam's heteroaryl C—N coupling





Evans's application to diaryl ether natural product synthesis





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Evans, D.; Katz, J.; Peterson, G.; Hinterman, T. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2001, 123, 12411.

Collman's catalytic system



Collman, J.; Zhong, M. *Org. Lett.* 2000, *2*, 1233. Lam, P.; Vincent, G.; Clark, C.; Deudon, S.; Judhav, P. *Tet. Lett.* 2001, *42*, 3415.

Vinylboranes



Cyclopropanation of heterocycles



Mechanistic considerations



Lam, P.; Bonne, D.; Vincent, G.; Clark, C.; Combs, A. *Tet. Lett.* 2003, *44*, 1691 Qiao, J.; Lam, P. *Synthesis*. 2011, *6*, 829.

Mechanistic considerations

An efficient catalytic reaction



Non catalytic conditions: 2:1 Cu(II) to product ratio under anaerobic conditions



Oxygen uptake shown to be 0.5 eq from this mixture

Cu(II) is a 1-electron oxidant and O<sub>2</sub> is a 4-electron oxidant

Mechanistic considerations

An efficient catalytic reaction



Catalytic cycle performed stepwise



Mechanistic considerations

EPR studies—strong signal for Cu(II) with weak dative ligands ("CuX<sub>2</sub>") as resting state of catalyst



Kinetics and lack of observed Ar-Cu complex under catalytic conditions suggest that transmetallation to Cu is rate-limiting step

Reductive elimination—two possibilities



King, A.; Brunold, T.; Stahl, S. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2009, 131, 5044.

Mechanistic considerations

Control reactions disfavor conproportionation of Cu(I)



A Cu(III) complex isolated and demonstrated to be competent



King, A.; Brunold, T.; Stahl, S. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2009, *131*, 5044. King, A.; Brunold, T.; Casitas, A.; Costas, M.; Ribas, X.; Stahl, S. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2010, *132*, 12068.

Mechanistic considerations

Proposed mechanism





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Do, H.; Daguilis, O. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 2009, *131*, 17052.

Proposed mechanism





Arene addition—analogous to electrophilic aromatic addition based on substituent effects



■ sp<sup>3</sup> C–H are believed to be activated through agostic complexes



Parshall, G. *Acc. Chem. Res.* 1970, *3*, 139. Dupont, J. Consorti, C.; Spencer, J. *Chem. Rev.* 2005, *105*, 2527.



Choice of oxidant (PhI(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub>) improves selectivity

- Ligand (picolinic acid) stabilizes Pd(IV) intermediate
- Lewis acids and Ag<sup>+</sup> favor biphenyl coupling

Yoneyama, T.; Crabtree, R. J. Mol. Catal. A. 1996, 108, 35.

Ligand-directed sp<sup>2</sup> C—H bond oxygenation



Lyons, T.; Sanford, M. Chem. Rev. 2010, 110, 1147-1169.

Solvent alcohol as oxygen source



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Halogenation with succinimide reagents





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Fluorination with 2,4,6-trimethylpyridinium triflate



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Faster reactions and higher yield with unsymmetrical mesityl/aryl iodonium salts



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EPR studies show no evidence of Pd(III) under catalytic conditions

Pd(III) dimer during chlorination with PhICl<sub>2</sub>



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Invoking Pd(IV)





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Controlling reductive elimination



Chloride abstraction experiment



Racowski, J.; Dick, A.; Sanford, M. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2009, 131, 10974

## Summary Value of Cu(III) and Pd(IV) coupling

Substrate scope





Tolerance of reducible functional groups



■ Stability to O<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O

Advanced understanding of organometallic chemistry

