# Literature Report IX

# Catalytic Enantioconvergent Allenylation of Aldehydes with Propargyl Halides

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## **Research Interests:**

- Transition metal catalysis
- Organocatalysis
- Radical chemistry



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**2** Use of chiral starting materials to access  $\alpha$ -allenols

 $\frac{3}{2}$  Catalytic asymmetric synthesis to access  $\alpha$ -allenols



## Introduction



## Synthesis of Chiral *α*-Allenols





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## Synthesis of Chiral *α*-Allenols



#### Construction of Chiral $\alpha$ -Allenols via Asymmetric Alkynylogous Aldol Reaction





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## **Asymmetric Conjunctive Cross-coupling Reaction**

#### Construction of Chiral $\alpha$ -Allenols via Asymmetric Conjunctive Cross-coupling Reaction



Morken, J. P. et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2020, 59, 10311

#### **Example 1** Construction of Chiral $\alpha$ -Allenols via Asymmetric Tandem Cross-coupling and Alkynylogous Aldol Reaction



Sun, J. et al. Org. Lett. 2021, 23, 5175

## **Asymmetric Tandem Reaction**



## Synthesis of Chiral *α*-Allenols



## **Asymmetric Synthesis of** *a***-Allenols**

### Asymmetric synthesis of $\alpha$ -allenols from secondary propargyl bromides



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## **Reaction Conditions Optimization**



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Entry	Variation from the "standard conditions"	Yield (%)	dr	ee (%)
1	none	88	>20:1	98
2	no CrCl <sub>2</sub>	<2	-	-
3	no ( <i>S</i> , <i>R</i> )- <b>L1</b>	24	1:1	-
4	Propargyl CI, instead of Br	76	>20:1	98
5	TMSCI, instead of Cp <sub>2</sub> ZrCl <sub>2</sub>	18	>20:1	-
6	TESCI, instead of Cp <sub>2</sub> ZrCl <sub>2</sub>	<2	-	-
7	Me <sub>2</sub> SiCl <sub>2</sub> , instead of Cp <sub>2</sub> ZrCl <sub>2</sub>	60	20:1	96
8	Zn, instead of Mn	9	15:1	-
9	THF, instead of DME	72	>20:1	95
10	MeCN, instead of DME	75	11:1	90
11	0.1 M, instead of 0.05 M, in DME	81	>20:1	95
12	1.0, instead of 1.5, equiv $Cp_2ZrCl_2$	70	>20:1	99
13	5 mol% CrCl <sub>2</sub> , 6 mol% ( <i>S</i> , <i>R</i> )-L1	84	>20:1	99

## **Scope of Substrates-**Aromatic Aldehydes



## Scope of Substrates-Aliphatic Aldehydes



## Scope of Substrates-Chiral Aldehydes



## **Scope of Substrates**



#### a) Access to all stereoisomers



## **Post-functionalizations**

b) Synthetic transformations



## **Preliminary Mechanistic Study**





## **Proposed Mechanism**



## Summary

#### Catalytic asymmetric synthesis of $\alpha$ -allenols



## Summary

## Asymmetric synthesis of $\alpha$ -allenols from secondary propargyl bromides



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## **The First Paragraph**



Allenol has emerged as a common building block in organic synthesis in the last few decades. Structurally, allenois are composed of allene and alcohol functional groups with variable connectivity. The presence of both functionalities endows the rich chemical reactivity of such molecules. Among the diverse allenols,  $\alpha$ -allenols bear the hydroxyl unit at the  $\alpha$ -position and represent the most useful and studied subclass regarding synthesis and application. Due to the orthogonal distribution of cumulene molecular orbitals,  $\alpha$ -allenols can have both axial and central chiralities when differently substituted. These chiral  $\alpha$ -allenols have served as valuable substrates in a wide range of transformations, including cycloaddition, cycloisomerization, electrophilic addition, and Pd-catalyzed coupling reactions. Moreover, they have also been used as key intermediates in the synthesis of many natural products and bioactive molecules.

## **The Last Paragraph**



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In summary, we have developed a Cr-catalyzed enantioconvergent allenylation reaction of aldehydes with racemic propargyl halides. This robust method employs simple and readily accessible materials, exhibits exceptional functional group tolerance and broad substrate scope, and provides facile access to a wide range of valuable optically enriched  $\alpha$ -allenols with two or three continuous chiral centers, including both central and axial chirality. Further efforts are underway to develop generally efficient catalytic systems for radical-involved asymmetric alkylations of carbonyl compounds.

In sharp contrast, the simultaneous efficient control over both axial and central chiralities remains an elusive challenge. (然而,…仍具挑战) Its catalytic asymmetric variants have also received considerable attention, and substantial progress has been achieved. (重大的) From a practical point of view, it is noteworthy that the yield of the allenylation product is only modestly diminished, if the concentration is increased from 0.05 M to 0.1 M, 1.0 equivalent of Cp<sub>2</sub>ZrCl<sub>2</sub> is used, or 5 mol% CrCl<sub>2</sub> is used. (从实用的角度)

# Thanks for your attention