# Literature Report VII

# Photoinduced Copper-Catalyzed Asymmetric C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-H Alkynylation of Cyclic Amines by Intramolecular 1,5-Hydrogen Atom Transfer

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## **Research:**

- Cheap transition metal-catalyzed asymmetric bonding of halogenated alkane radicals;
- Transition metal-catalyzed highly selective ring formation of cheap chemicals.

# **Background:**

- 1996-2000 B.S., Nankai University
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- 2011-2013 Postdoc., Harvard University
- 2013-2020 Professor, Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry
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A. Nucleophilic Addition of Alkynylmetal Species to Cyclic Iminium Ions



**B.** Typical Cyclic Iminium Ions in Enantioselective Alkynylations



## Addition of Alkynylmetal to Stabilized Cyclic Iminium Ions



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## Photoinduced Copper-Catalyzed Asymmetric Coupling Strategy



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### Photoinduced Copper-Catalyzed Alkynylation of Remote C-H Bonds



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# **Project Synopsis**



# **Optimization of Reaction Conditions**



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# **Substrate Scope**



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Reaction conditions: **3** (0.1 mmol), alkyne (0.2 mmol), Cul (10 mol%), **A1** (5.0 mol%), **L1** (15 mol%),  $Cs_2CO_3$  (0.2 mmol) in toluene (0.1 M) at rt under Blue LED for 48 h. [b] Use **L5** as Ligand.

# **Synthetic Applications**



# **Mechanistic Investigation**



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# **Proposed Mechanism**



# Summary



- The BOPA-coordinated copper acetylide complex served the dual role as a photoredox and coupling catalyst;
- BINOL improved the generation efficiency of the initial phenyl radical and facilitated the stereoselective control.

# **The First Paragraph**

## Writing strategy

# The importance of α-functionalized chiral cyclic amines



The development of methods for the α-functionalization of these nitrogencontaining heterocyclic

Partially or fully saturated  $\alpha$ -functionalized chiral cyclic amines, particularly tetrahydroquinolines and pyrrolidines are significant and ubiquitous motifs in a broad range of natural products, pharmaceuticals, and bioactive molecules. In addition, proline and its derivatives are widely used as key intermediates or catalysts in synthetic chemistry and asymmetric catalysis. Therefore, the development of efficient and highly stereocontrolled methods for the  $\alpha$ -functionalization of these nitrogencontaining heterocyclic systems are of great importance, particularly attractive approach entails the direct functionalization of an  $\alpha$ -amino C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-H bond.



## Writing strategy



In conclusion, with the cooperative effects of BINOL and the new 2chlorine substituted BOPA ligand, the longstanding challenge of the enantioselective  $\alpha$ -C(sp<sup>3</sup>)-H alkynylation of unactivated cyclic amines was addressed using novel photoinduced copper catalysis via the intramolecular 1,5-HAT of readily available 2-iodobenzamide. A broad range of bio-relevant cyclic amines including pyrrolidines and benzocyclic amines were found to be suitable substrates for this reaction. The mechanism studies revealed that the BOPA-coordinated copper acetylide complex served as a basic photosensitizer and coupling catalyst, and BINOL sufficiently improved the generation efficiency of the initial phenyl radical and facilitated the stereoselective control in the asymmetric C-C bond formation step. Efforts to elucidate the reaction mechanism similar to the exact role of BINOL will be made in the future, and this novel strategy may be used to solve other challenging problems in asymmetric catalysis.

More recently, we advanced an approach for the visible-light promoted, copper-catalyzed remote alkynylation. (发展) We selected phenylacetylene and readily available 1-aroyl-pyrrolidine 1a as model substrates for optimization, drawing lessons from our previous success. (借鉴;从…中吸取教训) After identifying the optimal ligand, we assessed the other elements in this coupling reactions. (评估;考察)

