Literature Report IV

Enantioselective Inverse Electron Demand (3+2) Cycloaddition of Palladium-Oxyallyl Enabled by a Hydrogen-Bond-Donating Ligand

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Proposed mechanism



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♦ (3+2) Pd-oxyallyl cycloaddition



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♦ (3+2) Pd-aminoallyl cycloaddition



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Optimization of the Reaction Conditions



Substrate Scope of (3+2) Cycloaddition



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Optimization of the Reaction Conditions



Substrate Scope with Respect to the VMCCs



^aL2 was used instead of L5

(3+2) Cycloadditions with Nitroethylenes



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Summary



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Cycloadditions are among the most powerful bond-forming reactions in organic synthesis, not only because they offer efficient access to cyclic compounds in a single step but also because they can simultaneously generate multiple stereocenters with controllable stereoselectivity. In the past several decades, oxyally cations related cycloaddition reactions have attracted considerable attention. These highly electrophilic species react with electron-rich 1,3-dienes (or their equivalents) exclusively via a (4+3) cycloaddition pathway to give seven-membered ring products. Because the concerted (3+2) pathway is thermally forbidden, there are few reports of cycloaddition reactions of oxyallyl cations with 2π alkene acceptors.

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Rare examples include Wu's work on cycloaddition reactions of cyclic oxyallyl cations with indole derivatives and Kuwajima's work on (3+2) cycloaddition reactions of α -sulfur oxyallyl cations with enol ethers. On the other hand, due to the lack of general means for discriminating between the two faces of the planar oxyallyl cation, asymmetric variants of these cycloaddition reactions are inherently challenging. So far only a few strategies have met with success, and furan is the only successful cycloaddition partner in these works.

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In summary, we carried out proof-of-concept studies demonstrating that inverse electron demand cycloaddition reactions of Pd-oxyallyl can be achieved by employing vinyl methylene cyclic carbonates (VMCCs) as precursors for vinyl-oxyallyl-Pd species. These reactions were accomplished with rationally designed hydrogen-bond-donating ligands, designated FeUrPhos. This method was used to realize the first enantioselective (3+2) cycloaddition reactions of Pd-oxyallyl with nitroalkenes. Cyclopentanones with up to three contiguous stereocenters prepared with high enantioselectivity and good to excellent were diastereoselectivity by means of this cycloaddition reaction. We envision that this methodology will not only open up new avenues to discover novel oxyallyl cation-related cycloaddition reactions but also inspire the utility of noncovalent interactions in asymmetric transition-metal catalysis.

➢ On the other hand, due to the lack of general means for discriminating between the two faces of the planar oxyallyl cation, asymmetric variants of these cycloaddition reactions are inherently challenging. (discriminate: v. 歧视, 区别, 辨别; inherently: adv. 内在地, 固有地, 天性地)

➤ Catalytic generation and cycloaddition of oxyallyl cations eluded synthetic chemists until a recent breakthrough by Trost et al. (直到…最近取得了突破)

Thanks for your attention