# **Literature Report 7**

# Stereodivergent Coupling of 1,3-Dienes with Aldimine Esters Enabled by Synergistic Pd and Cu Catalysis

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### 1 Introduction

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#### **Background:**



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|             | University of California at Berkeley (with Prof. F.  |
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#### **Research Interests:**

- Natural Products Synthesis
- Transition-Metal Catalysis

#### **M-H** catalyzed coupling unsaturated hydrocarbons with carbon nucleophiles





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#### **Introduction (Ni-H)**



#### **Stereodivergent Coupling of Aldehydes and Alkynes**



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#### **Proposed Mechanism**



#### **Optimization of the Reaction Parameters**<sup>a</sup>



a) Phosphine Substituent



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**b) Ligand Scaffold**, *R* = *DTBM* 



<sup>a</sup>Yields determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR using an internal standard. Rr's and dr's determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture. Ee's determined by SFC analysis. <sup>b</sup>4.5 mol% [Rh(cod)Cl]<sub>2</sub>, 50 mol% (BuO)<sub>2</sub>P(O)OH instead, run at 40 °C.

#### **Substrate Scope**



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#### **Stereodivergent Aldehyde-Alkyne Coupling**



#### **Stereodivergent Coupling of Dienes with Aldimine Esters**



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| entry <sup>a</sup>    | Pd cat. | Cu ligand                                      | yield (%) <sup>b</sup> | dr <sup>b</sup> | ee (%) <sup>c</sup> | 0<br>│ →······ <sup>/</sup> Pr          |
|-----------------------|---------|--|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|---|
| 1                     | Pd-1    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L1</b>                 | 53                     | 1.6:1           | 95/67               |   |
| 2 <sup><i>d</i></sup> | Pd-1    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L1</b>                 | <5                     |                 |                     | Fe                                      |
| 3                     | Pd-1    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | 75                     | 2:1             | 95/83               | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )-L1                  |
| 4                     | Pd-2    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | 81                     | 4.5:1           | 97/95               | 0<br>I                                  |
| 5                     | Pd-3    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | 62                     | 3.5:1           | 94/94               |   |
| 6                     | Pd-4    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | 85                     | 4.4:1           | 99/94               | PPh <sub>2</sub><br>Fe                  |
| 7                     | Pd-5    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | 79                     | 7:1             | 98/90               | ( <i>S</i> , <i>S</i> <sub>p</sub> )-L2 |
| 8                     | Pd-6    | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | 99                     | >20:1           | >99/                |   |
| 9                     | Pd-6    | ( <i>R</i> , <i>R<sub>p</sub></i> )- <b>L2</b> | 90                     | 1:14            | />99                | Prime N                                 |
| 10                    |         | (S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b>                 | NR                     |                 |                     | Ph <sub>2</sub> P                       |
| 11                    | Pd-6    |  | NR                     |                 |                     | ( <i>R</i> , <i>R</i> <sub>p</sub> )-L2 |

<sup>*a*</sup>Reaction conditions: (i) **1a** (0.2 mmol), **2a** (0.1 mmol), Pd cat. (4 mol%), Cu(MeCN)<sub>4</sub>PF<sub>6</sub> (5 mol%),  $(S,S_p)$ -L or  $(R,R_p)$ -L (5.5 mol%), Et<sub>3</sub>N (200 mol%), THF (0.5 mL), 30 °C, 36 h; (ii) citric acid (10%, 4 mL). In all cases, the regioselectivity was >20:1. <sup>*b*</sup>Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of the crude product. NR, no reaction. Isolated yields are provided in parentheses. <sup>*c*</sup>Determined by HPLC. <sup>*d*</sup>Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, DBU, <sup>*i*</sup>Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt, or DABCO was used instead of Et<sub>3</sub>N.

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| R_ | <b>∼∕</b> ~ + |  | 1ei)   | Pd-6 (4 mol%) |       |  |
|----|---------------|--|--|---------------|-------|--|
|    | 1             | <mark>Ме</mark><br><b>2а</b><br>Ar = <i>p</i> -F-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> | Cu(MeCN) <sub>4</sub> PF <sub>6</sub> (5 mol%) R<br>( <i>S</i> , <i>S<sub>p</sub></i> )- <b>L2</b> (5.5 mol%)<br>Et <sub>3</sub> N (2.0 equiv), THF (0.4 M), 30 °C, 2 d<br>ii) citric acid |               |       | H <sub>2</sub> N Me<br>(2 <i>S</i> ,3 <i>R</i> )- <b>3</b> |
| _  | entry         | (2S,3R)-3  | R  | yield (%)     | dr    | ee (%)   |
| -  | 1             | 3ba  | <i>p</i> -Me-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>   | 68            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 2             | 3ca  | m-Me-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>   | 83            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 3             | 3da  | <i>o</i> -F-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>  | 83            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 4             | 3ea  | <i>m</i> -F-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>  | 82            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 5             | 3fa  | p-F-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>  | 70            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 6             | 3ga  | p-CI-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>   | 72            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 7             | 3ha  | <i>p</i> -CF <sub>3</sub> -C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>   | 70            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 8             | 3ia  | <i>p</i> -MeO-C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>  | 78            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 9             | 3ja  | 2-naphthyl   | 73            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 10            | 3ka  | 2-furyl  | 69            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 11            | 3la  | 2-thiophenyl   | 67            | >20:1 | >99  |
|    | 12            | 3ma  | (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> OAc  | 46            | >20:1 | 93   |

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| ,<br>,<br>,<br>, |   | ) <sub>2</sub> Mei)                             | <b>Pd-6</b> (6 mol%)   | <b>&gt;</b> |        |  |
|------------------|---|---|--|-------------|--------|--|
| 1a               | R<br><b>2</b><br>Ar = <i>p</i> -F-C <sub>6</sub> H, | Cu(M<br>(S,S<br>Et <sub>3</sub> N (2.0 equ<br>4 | Cu(MeCN) <sub>4</sub> PF <sub>6</sub> (8 mol%)<br>(S,S <sub>p</sub> )- <b>L2</b> (8.8 mol%)<br>Et <sub>3</sub> N (2.0 equiv), THF (0.8 M), 30 °C, 4 d<br>ii) citric acid |             |        |  |
| entry            | (2S,3R)-3   | R   | yield (%)  | dr          | ee (%) |  |
| 1                | 3ab   | Et  | 85   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 2                | 3ac   | <i><sup>n</sup></i> Pr                          | 86   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 3                | 3ad   | <i>⁰</i> Bu                                     | 88   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 4                | 3ae   | $CH_2CH_2Ph$                                    | 95   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 5                | 3af   | Bn  | 46   | >20:1       | 98     |  |
| 6                | 3ag   | CH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Me              | 92   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 7                | 3ah   | (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> NHCbz           | 89   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 8                | 3ai   | (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> SMe             | 95   | >20:1       | >99    |  |
| 9                | 3aj   | allyl   | 59   | >20:1       | >99    |  |

#### **Stereodivergent Access to All Four Stereoisomers**



#### **Summary**



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## **The First Paragraph**

As an atom-economical strategy for C-C bond formation, coupling reactions between enols/enolates and unsaturated hydrocarbons with catalysis by transition-metal hydrides (M-H) have been attracting increasing attention. These reactions are initiated by addition of M-H to the unsaturated hydrocarbon to form an electrophilic  $\pi$ -allyl metal intermediate, which reacts with the enolizable carbonyl compound to form a C-C bond. Substantial progress on asymmetric versions of these reactions has been made. controlling the stereochemistry when two However, contiguous stereocenters are generated by these methods remains a formidable challenge; Dong and co-workers reported the only successful example to date. These investigators developed a cooperative system involving Rh-H and Jacobsen's amine for stereodivergent coupling of aldehydes with alkynes.

Inspired by this work, as well as recent advances in Ir-catalyzed stereodivergent allylic alkylation reactions, we herein report a protocol for asymmetric coupling reactions between 1,3-dienes and aldimine esters with synergistic catalysis by Pd and Cu; all four possible stereoisomers of the coupling products could be obtained regio-, enantio-, and diastereoselectively by using various combinations of different enantiomers of the two catalysts.

In summary, we have developed a protocol for stereodivergent coupling reactions between 1,3-dienes and aldimine esters with synergistic catalysis by Pd and Cu. This protocol has a wide substrate scope and could be used to prepare all four possible stereoisomers of synthetically useful amino acid esters with two vicinal stereogenic centers (at the  $\alpha$ - and  $\beta$ -positions) with high diastereo- and enantioselectivities, simply by varying the configurations of the two chiral metal catalysts. Our work represents the first example of a stereodivergent coupling reaction catalyzed by Pd-H, and insights from this study can be expected to shed light on other Pd-H related synergistic catalyses.

