

Sustainable Catalysis – Concepts and Applications

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Current Research Topics

Bioactive Substances



Homogeneous

Surfaces/Polymers

Reaction & Separation Technologies

New Reaction Development





Natural Product Inspired Methodology Development

Muscarinic acetylcholine receptor antagonist and shows neurological activities

Potential use:

motion sickness, gastrointestinal spasms renal spasms, irritable bowel syndrome



(+)-Gephyrotoxin

Dendrobatidae alkaloids:

Isolation (1974): 15 mg from 3200 frogs

Isolation/elucidation: (X-ray): Daly, J.W. *Helv. Chim. Acta.* 1977, *60*, 1128

Syntheses:

Kishi, Y. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1980, *10*2, 7154 Overman, L. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1983, *105*, 5373 Hart, D. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1983, *105*, 1255 and several formal syntheses



Perhydrogephyrotoxin



dentrobates histrionicus

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decahydroquinoline

indolizindine

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Combining metal- and organocatalysis



Hydrogenation of quinolines

Organocatalytic multi-component reaction

Dealkoxylative C-C cross coupling

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Biomimetic Organocatalysis





Biomimetic Metal-free Hydrogenation

Aminations in Nature

Routes of Ammonia Assimilation into Amino Acids Glutamate Dehydrogenase (GDH)

2-ketoglutarate + NH_3 + NAD(P)H \longrightarrow glutamate + $NAD(P)^+$



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 Aspartate-165 is essential for catalytic activity



Brønsted Acid Catalyzed Transfer Hydrogenation

See also: List, MacMillan, You, Gong and over 40 other groups

D. Mauzerall, F.H. Westheimer, J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1955, 77, 226 Studies on the hydride transfer from Hantzsch esters

Plausible Mechanism

Catalytic Cycle







E. Sugiono, C. Azap, T. Theissmann Org. Lett. 7, 3781-3783

Biomimetic Brønsted Acid Catalyzed Reductions





87-99% ee









89-94% ee

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۰H

R

87-92% ee

R

91-99% ee

RO

R'

H

"NADH"

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91-99% ee

`OR

`R'

82-96% ee



96-99% ee



90-99% ee



OH

Άr

"dehydrogenase"

NHSO₂CF₃

ACIE 45, 3683; ACIE 45, 6751; ACIE 46, 4562; ACIE 47, 5836; ACIE 48, 7556; Chem. E. J 16, 2688; Chem. Sci. 1, 473

Mechanism of the Brønsted Acid Catalyzed Cascade Reduction



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2 catalysts – 3 components

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Asymmetric dearomatization / hydrogenation

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ArI > ArBr = ArOTf >> ArCI = ArOTs >> ArOMe



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Direct replacement of a MeO-Group by a long chain alkyl group





Recent overview: Nickel catalyzed C-O bond cleavage: Garg, Percec *Chem. Rev.* 2011, 111, 1346; R. Martin, *Chem. Soc. Rev.* 2014, *43*, 8081-8097, M. Tobiso, N. Chatani, *Acc. Chem.Res.* 2015, *48*, 1717-1726; Z. Shi, Homogeneous Catalysis for Unreactive Bond Activation Wenkert, Dankwardt, Kakiuchi, Chatani, Tobiso, Shi, Martin, Nicasio/Prieto, Uchiyama, Snieckus, Itami, Garg, Hartwig, Han, Feringa, Jarvo, Wang,....

Direct replacement of a MeO-Group by a functionalized nucleophile



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One pot operations



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Use of AIR₃ in cross couplings: Nakamura, Knochel, Beletskaya, Chatani, Tobisu, Schmalz ... AIMe₃ in CO-Me exchange: Tobisu, Chatani, *Chem. Lett.* 2015, 44, 1729

Direct replacement of a MeO-Group by Lewis acid assisted cross coupling



Proposed Mechanism based on experiments and DFT calculations



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Recent reaction developments in homogeneous metal catalysis нН HO. C-OMe Bond activations – dealkoxylative Nickel catalyzed cross-couplings NH₂ SiMe₃ Ph \mathbb{R}^1 HN= SiMe₃ Li Ph Org. Lett. 2017, 19, 1788 ACIE. 2014, 53, 12912. OMe R¹-R_{alkyl}—ZnBr (9-BBN)—R_{alkyl} **R**alkyl $(R_{alkyl})_3 Al$ R_{alkyl} \mathbb{R}^{1} R¹

ACS Catal., 2017, 7, 4491

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Nickel

ACIE, 2016, 55, 15415.

ACS Catal., 2016, 6, 4438.

ACIE, 2016, 55, 6093.

R_{alkyl}

 \mathbf{R}^1

Ni-Catalyzed Alkoxy-Alkyl Interconversion with Alkylboranes



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ArOMe-alkylation with Grignard reagents: M. Tobisu, T. Takahira, T. Morioka, N. Chatani, JACS, 2016, 138, 6711

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Catalytic Dealkoxylating C_{sp2} - C_{sp3} Cross Coupling Reactions

Ni-Catalyzed Sequential Alkylation with Alkylboranes



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Catalytic Decarbonylative Cross Coupling Reactions

Ni-Catalyzed Decarbonylative Catalysis



First example: T. Yamamoto, J. Ishizu, T. Kohara, S. Komiya, A. Yamamoto, *JACS*, **1980**, *102*, 3758 *Representative examples for Ketones from esters*: H. Tatamidani, F. Kakiuchi, N. Chatani, *Org. Lett.* **2004**, *6*, 3597;
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K. Muto, J. Yamaguchi, D. G. Musaev, K. Itami, *Nat. Commun.* **2015**, *6*, 7508

Recent reaction developments in nickel catalyzed functional group interconversion

C-O; C-N and C-C Bond activations – decarbonylative transformations

decarbonylative C-Het bond formations decarbonylative C-C bond formations



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