

Nickel(0)-Catalyzed Alkene-Aldehyde Non-Reductive Coupling Reaction -Byproduct-Free Processes-



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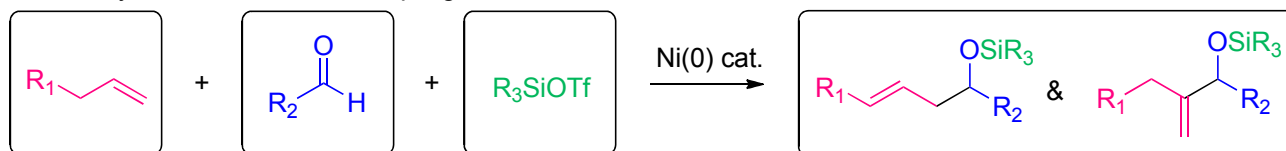
0. Introduction

reactions picked out for today

ref) my lit. seminar (B4)

Byproduct-free = ideally atom economy
product

A + B + C
Alkene-Aldehyde Non-Reductive Coupling

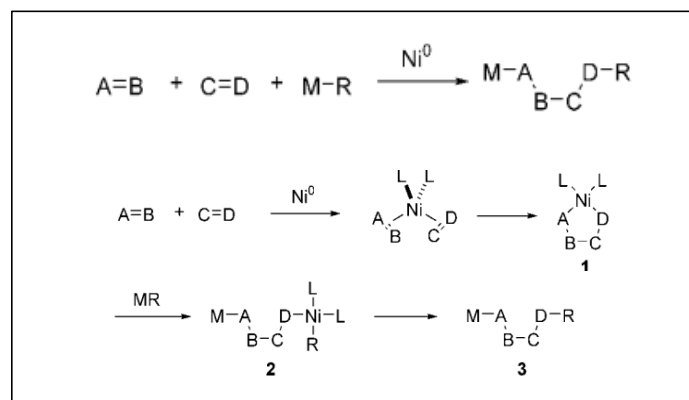


1. Alkene-Aldehyde Reductive Coupling Reaction

two pioneers in this area

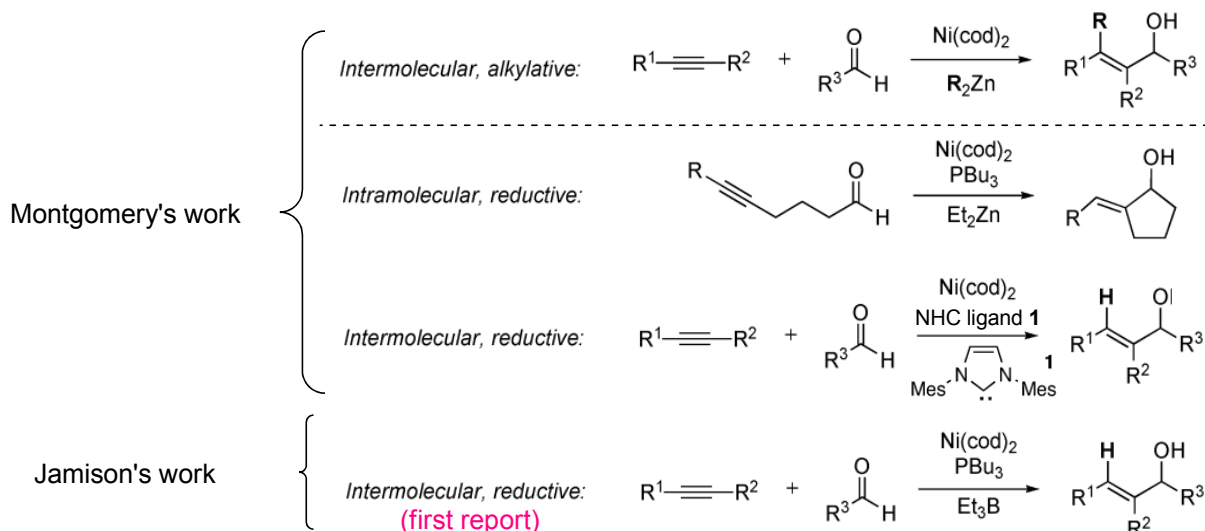
John Montgomery

Timothy F. Jamison



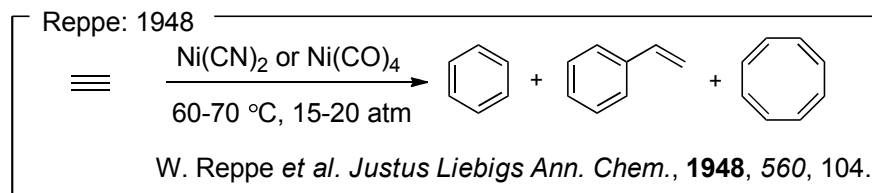
- Late-transition metal catalysis has potential advantages:
 - (1)simpler preparation and handling of the catalysts
 - (2)better compatibility with Lewis basic functionality
 - (3)weaker M-O bond (\Rightarrow more efficient catalytic turnovers of R-O-M intermediates)
 - (4)access to reductive elimination chemistry
- Nickel has additional properties:
 - cheap
 - air-stable (unless powdered Ni(0))
 - stable in the presence of hard organometallics

Ni(0)-catalyzed alkyne-aldehyde reductive coupling to form allylic alcohols

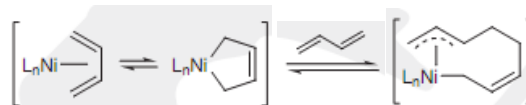
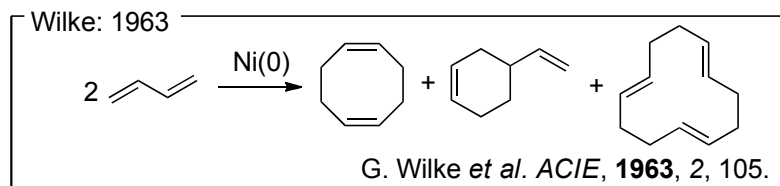
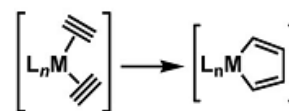


background & challenges

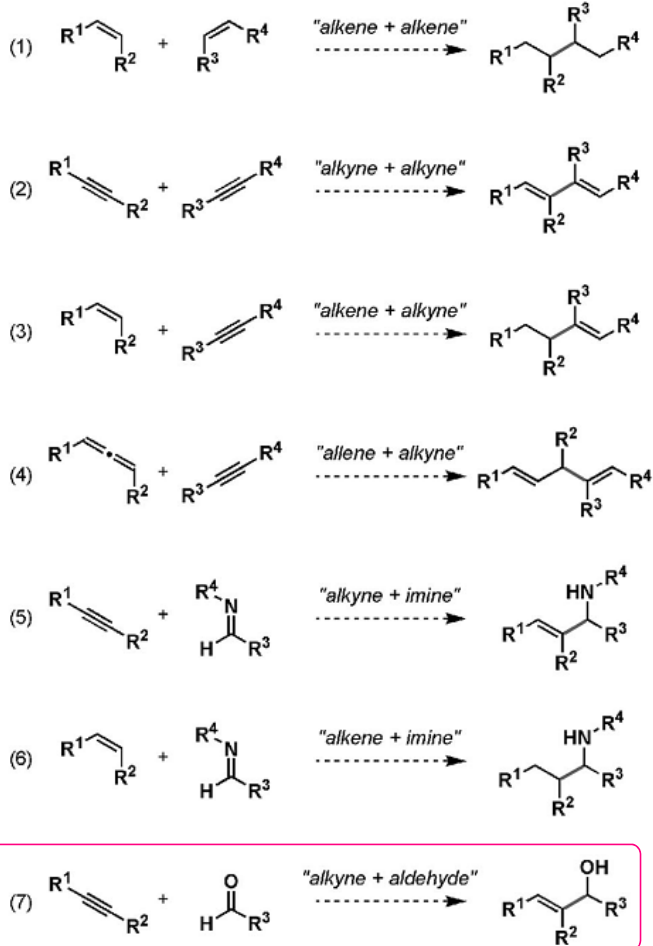
first reports of Ni(0)-catalyzed multi- π -component coupling reactions



via nickelacycle

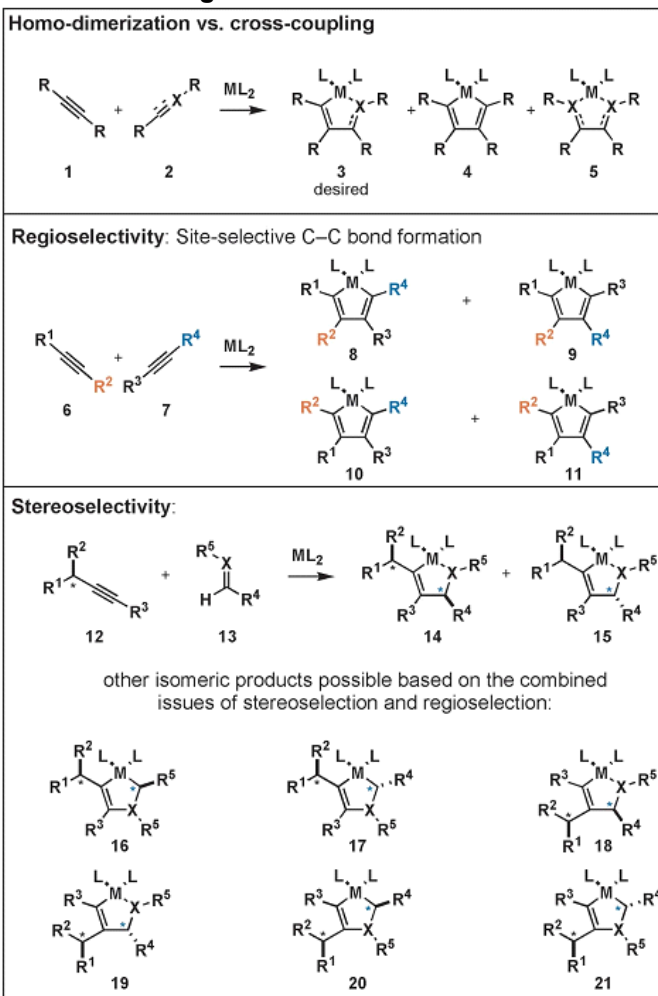


"modern" biomolecular C-C bond formation

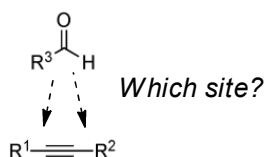


Micalizio, G. C. *et al. EJOC*, **2010**, 391.

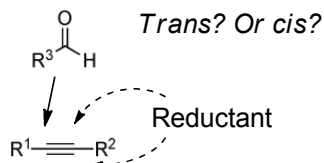
basic challenges



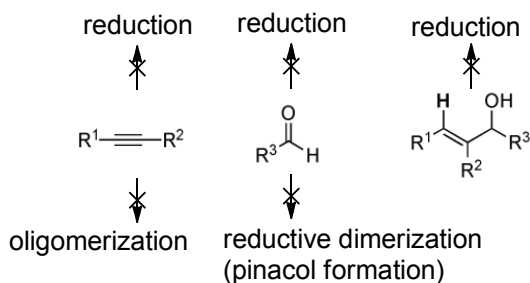
Regioselectivity



Stereoselectivity

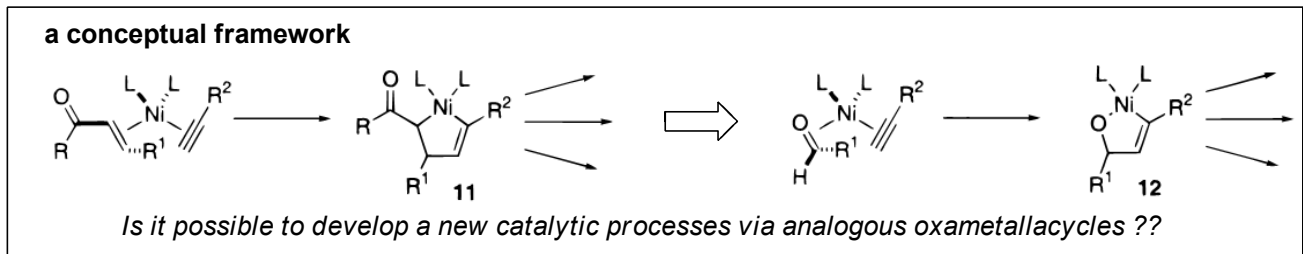


Chemoselectivity

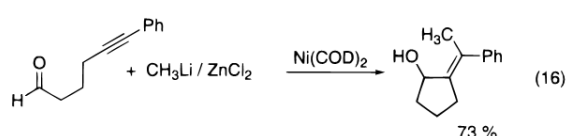
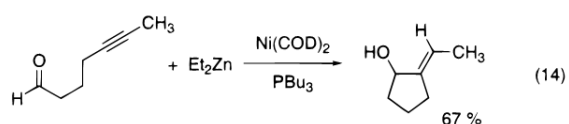
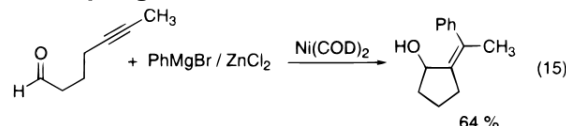
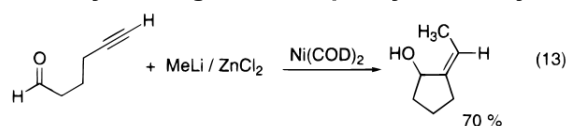


1-1. Some System for Alkyne-Aldehyde Coupling Reactions

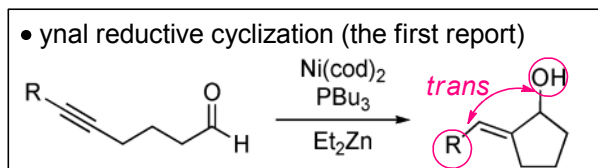
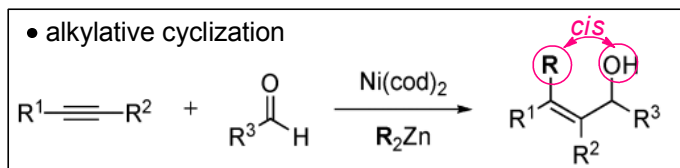
Montgomery's first system: $\text{Ni}(\text{COD})_2/\text{PBU}_3$ system



a discovery leading to develop alkyne-aldehyde reductive coupling



in the absence of phosphine ligands \rightarrow alkylative
in the presence of phosphine ligands \rightarrow reductive



substrate scope

Table 1. Ynal Alkylative Cyclizations

entry	X	R ¹	R ²	yield (%) ^a
1	CH ₂	H	CH ₃	70 ^b
2	CH ₂	H	Ph	72
3	CH ₂	H	n-Bu	62
4	CH ₂	CH ₃	Ph	64
5	CH ₂	CH ₃	n-Bu	76
6	CH ₂	Ph	CH ₃	73
7	CH ₂	Ph	Et	67
8	NCOPh	H	CH ₃	72

^a Products were obtained as single stereoisomers by 500 MHz ¹H NMR analysis. ^b Isolated as the benzoate ester (two-step yield is reported).

Table 3. Three-Component Couplings

entry	R ¹	R ²	R ³	yield (%) ^a
1	Ph	Ph	Me	60
2	Ph	C ₆ H ₁₃	Me	74
3	Ph	C ₆ H ₁₃	n-Bu	71
4	Isop	Ph	Me	21 ^b
5	Ph	Ph	O(CH ₃)-CH ₂	0 ^c

^a Products were obtained as single regio- and stereoisomers by 500 MHz ¹H NMR analysis. ^b Isolated as the acetate ester (two-step yield is reported). ^c The alcohol derived from isopropenyl addition to benzaldehyde was isolated in 90% yield.

substrate scope

Table 2. Ynal Reductive Cyclizations

entry	X	R ¹	yield (%) ^a
1	CH ₂	H	74 ^b
2	CH ₂	CH ₃	67 ^b
3	CH ₂	Ph	62
4	NCOPh	H	70 ^c

^a Products were obtained as single stereoisomers by 500 MHz ¹H NMR analysis. ^b Isolated as the benzoate ester (two-step yield is reported). ^c Isolated as a mixture with 9% of the ethyl-substituted alkylative cyclization product.

Montgomery, J. *et al.* *JACS*, **1997**, *119*, 9065.

alkylative coupling

- ☺high chemo-, regio-, stereoselectivity (only *E* isomers)
- ☺no direct addition (intramolecular)
- ☺no competitive β -H elimination (intramolecular)
- ☺broad scope of organozincs (intramolecular)
- ☺direct addition (intermolecular)
- ☺competitive β -H elimination (intermolecular)
- ☺limited scope of organozincs (intermolecular, only sp³hybridized)

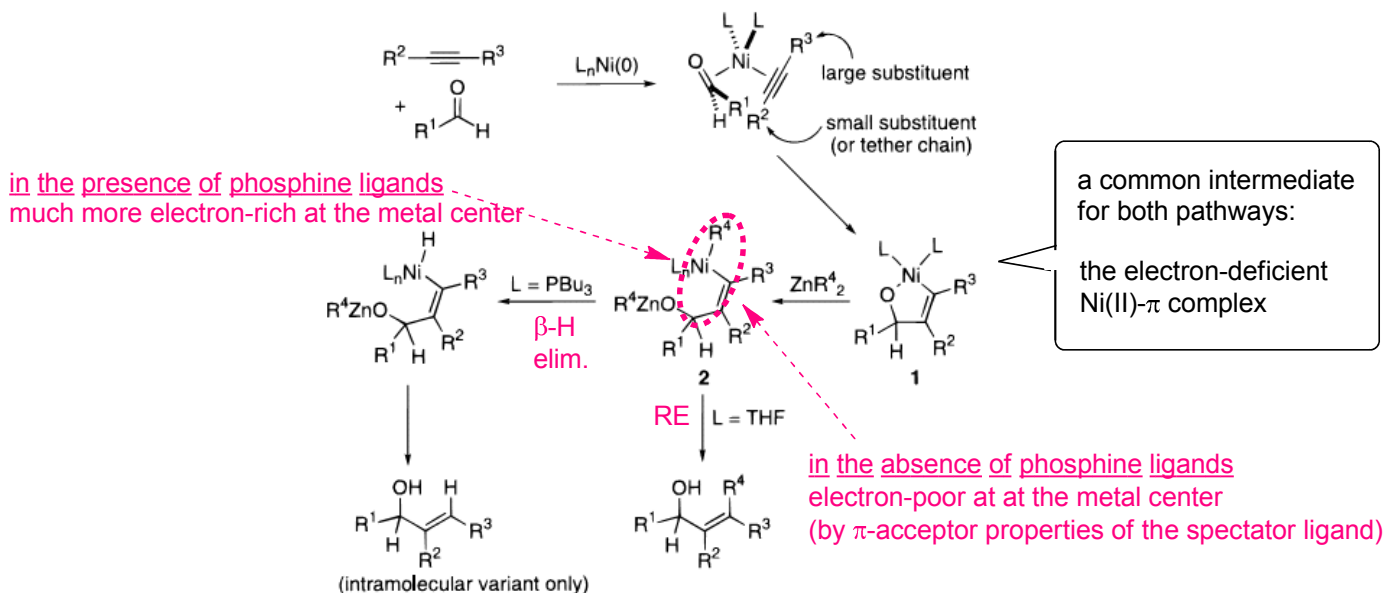
reductive coupling

- ☺high stereoselectivity (only *Z* isomers)
- ☺limited to intramolecular

What is the role of a phosphine ligand in promoting reduction instead of alkylation?
 (Why pretreatment of $Ni(COD)_2$ with a basic phosphine resulted in reduction?)

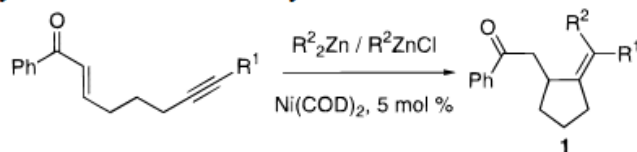
proposed mechanism for reductive/alkylative couplings

Scheme 1. Proposed Mechanism for Ynal Cyclizations and Three-Component Couplings

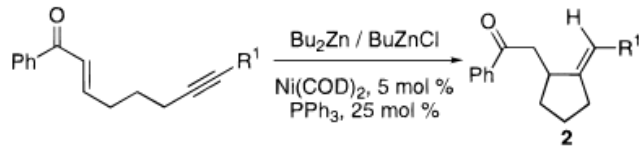


in light of the previous Montgomery's work ($Ni(0)$ -catalyzed cyclizations of alkyne enones)

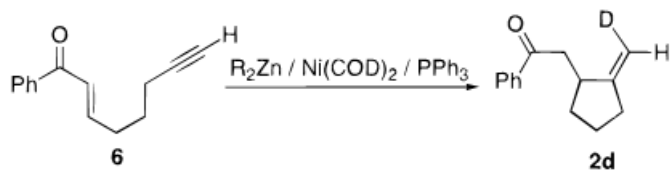
Cyclization with Alkylation^a



Reductive Cyclizations^a

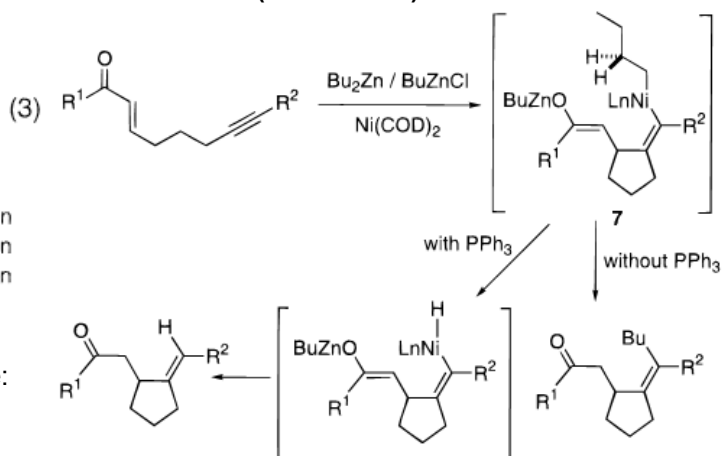


deuterium labeling studies



with Et_2Zn-d_{10} in THF, then H_2O quench: 68 % D incorporation
 with Bu_2Zn in THF, then AcOD quench: 12 % D incorporation
 with Et_2Zn in $THF-d_8$, then H_2O quench: 0 % D incorporation

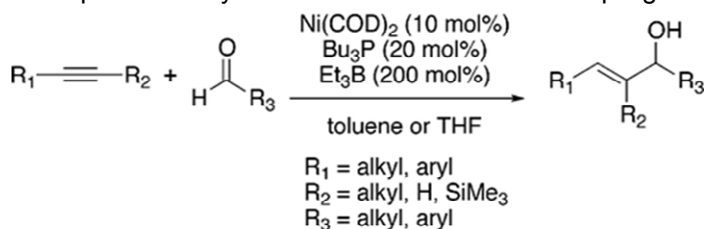
conclusion (mechanism)



- From these results, at least two pathways are operative:
 1. β -H elimination (major)
 2. protonation on workup, most likely of an alkenylzinc species (minor)

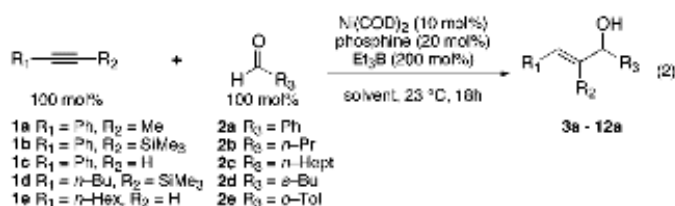
Jamison's system

- the first report of catalytic intermolecular reductive coupling



optimization of reaction conditions

Table 1. Effects of Phosphine, Solvent, and Temperature on Intermolecular Reductive Coupling of 1-Phenylpropyne and Aldehydes^a



entry	aldehyde	phosphine	product	yield ^b	regioselectivity ^c
1	2a	Cy ₃ P	3a	76%	77:23
2	2a	Et ₃ P	3a	46%	91:9
3	2a	(<i>n</i> -Bu) ₃ P	3a	77%	92:8
4	2b	(<i>n</i> -Bu) ₃ P	4a	49%	95:5
5 ^d	2b	(<i>n</i> -Bu) ₃ P	4a	86%	90:10
6 ^e	2b	(<i>n</i> -Bu) ₃ P	4a	85%	92:8
7 ^{f,g}	2b	(<i>n</i> -Bu) ₃ P	4a	88%	92:8

^a Except where noted, all reactions were conducted using the conditions indicated in eq 2 (initial concentration of alkyne and aldehyde = 0.16 M, Ar atmosphere, THF). ^b Combined isolated yield of regioisomers. ^c Minor regioisomers (3b, 4b) not shown. Regioselectivity was determined either by separation of regioisomers (silica gel chromatography) or with a ¹H NMR spectrum of the product mixture. ^d Reaction conducted at 40 °C. ^e Reaction conducted in toluene.

trialkylphosphines's effect

{ smaller: yield↓ regioselectivity↑
 { larger: yield↑ regioselectivity↓
 ⇒ Bu₃P gave the best combination

- ☺ high regioselectivity (except internal aliphatic alkynes)
- ☺ complete stereoselectivity (exclusive *cis*-addition)
- ☺ broad substrate scope (both intra- and inter-molecular)
- ☺ commercially available catalyst and reagents
- ☺ a 1:1 ratio of alkyne to aldehyde
- ☺ no reductive coupling of ketones (e.g. acetophenone)
- ☺ competitive [2+2+2] cyclization of alkynes

applicable to site-selective fragment coupling reactions at rate stage in complex molecule synthesis??

Hypothesis

High regioselectivity observed with aryl-substituted alkynes is likely due to an electronic differentiation between alkyl- and aryl- substituents. (This is found not to be completely correct later.)

substrate scope

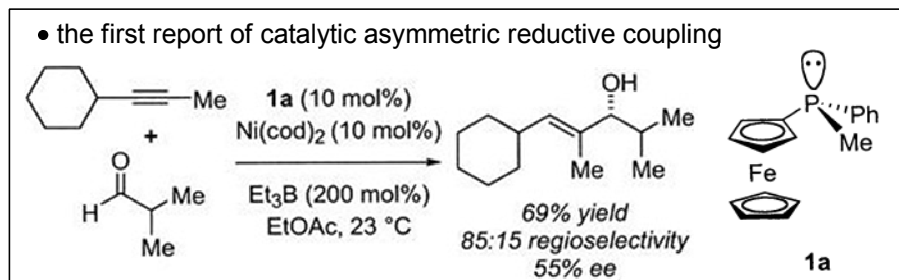
Table 2. Intermolecular Catalytic Reductive Couplings of Internal and Terminal Alkynes with Aromatic and Aliphatic Aldehydes^a

entry	alkyne	aldehyde	major product	yield, ^b regioselectivity ^c
1 ^d	1a	2a		77% (92:8)
2	1a	2b ^e		85% (92:8)
3 ^{d,f}	1b ^e	2a		49% (>98:2)
4	1b	2c		89% (>98:2)
5 ^g	1c ^e	2c		45% (>98:2)
6	1d	2c		58% (>98:2)
7 ^d	1e ^e	2a		76% (96:4)
8 ^f	1a	2d		41% (94:6) (66:34 dr)
9 ^f	1b	2d		31% (>98:2) (58:42 dr)
10	1a	2e		83% (93:7)

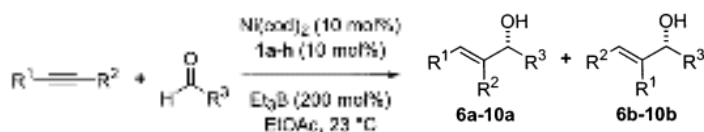
^a Except where noted, all reactions were conducted using the conditions indicated in eq 2 (1 mmol of alkyne, 1 mmol of aldehyde, toluene, Ar atmosphere). ^b Combined isolated yield of regioisomers. ^c Minor regioisomers (3b–12b) not shown. Regioselectivity (a:b) was determined either by separation of regioisomers (silica gel chromatography) or with a ¹H NMR spectrum of the product mixture. ^d THF used as solvent. ^e 200 mol % used. ^f Reaction conducted under reflux. ^g Reaction conducted at 0 °C.

Jamison, T. F. *et al.* *OL*, 2000, 2, 4221.

Jamison's system -Asymmetric induction-



Substrate Scope



6a,b: R¹ = *c*-C₆H₁₁, R² = Me, R³ = *i*-Pr
7: R¹ = R² = *n*-Pr, R³ = Ph
8: R¹ = R² = R³ = *n*-Pr
9: R¹ = R² = *n*-Pr, R³ = *i*-Pr
10a,b: R¹ = *c*-C₆H₁₁, R² = Me, R³ = *n*-Pr

TABLE 2^a

entry	ligand	product ^b	R ¹	R ²	R ³	yield (%) ^c	a:b ^d	ee a (%) ^e	ee b (%) ^f
1	Bu ₃ P	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	55	2.0:1	na	na
2	Ph ₂ P(<i>n</i> -Bu)	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	56	1.9:1	na	na
3	Ph ₂ P(Cy)	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	62	2.0:1	na	na
4	FCPPPh ₂	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	60	3.0:1	na	na
5	1a	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	65	2.2:1	46	45
6	1b	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	27	1.8:1	8	12
7	1c	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	53	1.6:1	-34	-28
8	1d	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	33	1:1	-44	-10
9	1e	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	60	2.4:1	2	4
10	1f	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	60	3.8:1	-28	-17
11	1g	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	46	5.7:1	-55	-19
12	1h	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	33	1:1	-52	-37
13	11	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	50	2.0:1	-35	-38
14	12	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	40	1:1	-20	-17
15	13	6a, 6b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>i</i> -Pr	22	1.2:1	-35	-39
16	1a	7	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	Ph	85	na	49	na
17	1c	7	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	Ph	80	na	-4	na
18	1f	7	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	Ph	81	na	12	na
19	1g	7	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	Ph	79	na	-28	na
20	1h	7	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	Ph	87	na	-36	na
21	1a	8	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	80	na	55	na
22	1a	9	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>n</i> -Pr	<i>i</i> -Pr	80	na	55	na
23	1a	10a, 10b	<i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁	Me	<i>n</i> -Pr	30	2.2:1	67	68

the highest up to that point of this particular reaction

^a All reactions were conducted using 10 mol % Ni(cod)₂, 10 mol % ligand, and 200 mol % Et₃B. See Scheme 3 and Experimental Section for details. Regioselectivities and enantioselectivities were determined for unpurified product mixtures. ^b Major and minor regioisomers. See Scheme 3. ^c Combined yield of all allylic alcohol products. ^d Regioselectivity (a:b) determined by ¹H NMR. ^e Enantiomeric excess of regioisomer a. Absolute configuration of **6a** assigned by Mosher ester analysis. Absolute configuration of **6b**, **7-9**, and **10a-b** assigned by analogy. Negative signs indicate opposite sense of induction. ^f Enantiomeric excess of regioisomer b.

• in all cases exclusive *cis*-addition (>98:2)

Jamison, T. F. *et al.* JOC, 2003, 68, 156.

CHART 1

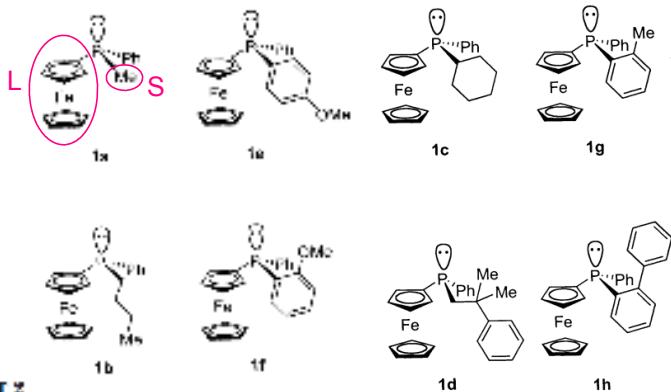
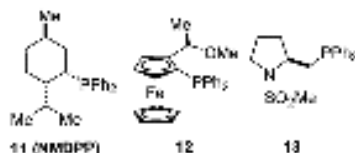


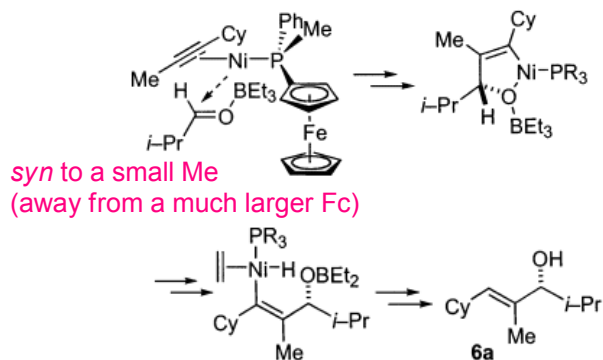
CHART 2



• **1a** has the greatest difference in steric demand between Fc vs. R(Me)

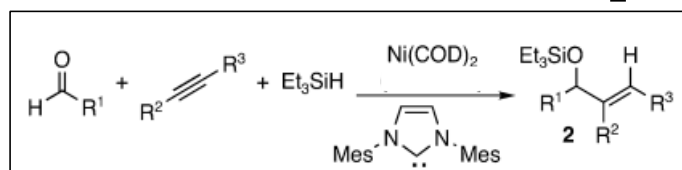
the model for these results

SCHEME 4



⊗ low to moderate regio- and enantioselectivity
 ⊗ limited to only a few cases (alkyl-C≡C-alkyl)

Montgomery's second system: Ni(COD)₂/NHC system



entry	R ¹	R ²	R ³	yield (regioselectivity)
1	Ph	CH ₃	Ph	84% (>98:2)
2	C ₆ H ₁₃	CH ₃	Ph	82% (>98:2)
3	Ph	H	C ₆ H ₁₃	71% (>98:2)
4	Ph	H	Ph	72% (>98:2)
5	Ph	CH ₃	C ₂ H ₅	84% (1.3:1)
6	<i>s</i> -Bu	CH ₃	Ph	81% (>98:2) ^a
7	C ₆ H ₄ OCH ₃	CH ₃	Ph	66% (>98:2)
8	Ph	Ph	C(CH ₃)=CH ₂	84% (>98:2)
9	Ph	H	CH=CHC ₆ H ₁₃	56% (>98:2)
10	Ph	H	(CH ₃) ₂ COH	72% (>98:2) ^a

- ⊙ high regioselectivity (except internal aliphatic alkynes)
- ⊙ complete stereoselectivity (exclusive *cis*-addition)
- ⊙ broad substrate scope
- ⊙ stable & easily handled reducing agent
- ⊙ unprotected alcohol tolerance → entry 10

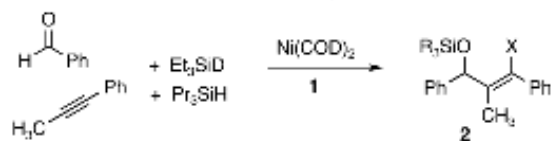
^a Reactions were carried out in THF at 25–45 °C. ^b Use of triethylborane or diethylzinc as a reducing agent or NiCl₂ as a precatalyst led to lower yields. ^c A 1.5:1 ratio of diastereomers was obtained. ^d Performed with 1.5 equiv of the alkyne.

Montgomery, J. *et al.* JACS, 2004, 126, 3698.

► Why is there a significant difference of substrate scopes between two systems ??

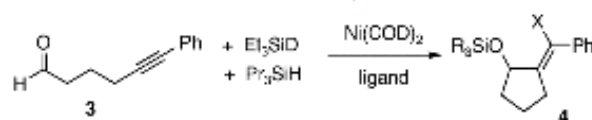
crossover deuterium-labeling experiments

Table 2. Intermolecular Crossover Experiment



R	X	product	relative %
Et	H	2a	<1
Et	D	2b	48
Pr	H	2c	50
Pr	D	2d	<1

Table 3. Intramolecular Crossover Experiments

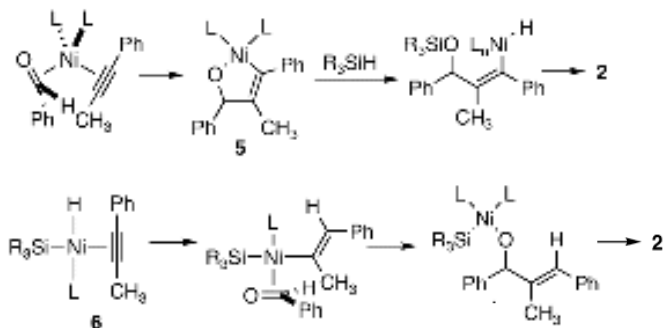


R	X	product	relative %	
			from 1	from PBU ₂
Et	H	4a	<2	25
Et	D	4b	55	34
Pr	H	4c	41	23
Pr	D	4d	<2	18

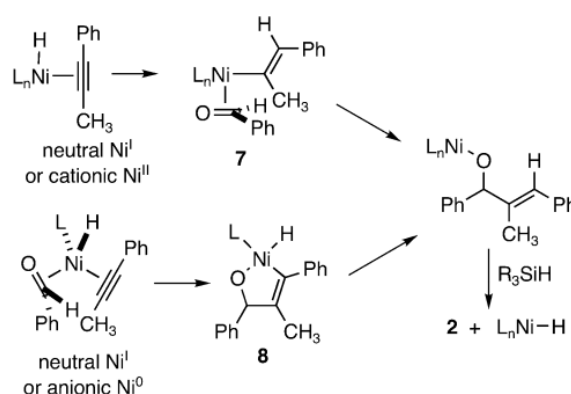
plausible mechanisms from crossover experiments

Scheme 1. Possible Mechanisms

Mechanisms Consistent with No Crossover



Mechanisms Consistent with Crossover

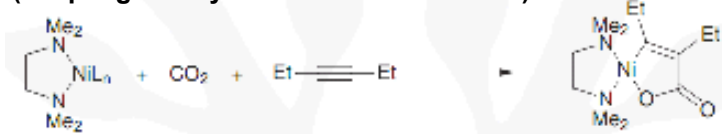


1-2. Mechanistic Analyses

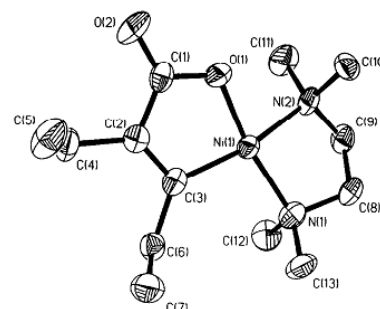
assumption 1: formation of oxanickelacycle

➤ Although no metallacycles derived from OA of one alkyne and one aldehyde have been isolated, ...

confirmed oxanickelacycle formation by X-ray analysis (coupling of alkynes and carbon dioxide)



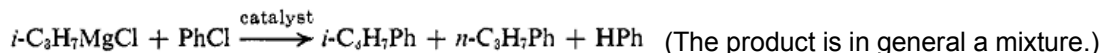
Tsay, Y.-C. *et al. J. Organomet. Chem.* **1984**, 266, 203.



assumption 2: β -hydride elimination vs. reductive elimination

➤ Some phosphine ligands prompt β -hydride elimination.

the first example of the transition metal complex-catalyzed alkyl group isomerization



products using various phosphines

Table I. Products from the Reaction of *i*-C₃H₇MgCl with PhCl in the Presence of NiL₂Cl₂^a

L ₂ in catalyst	Total yield, ^b %	Products distribution, ^b %		
Ph ₂ PCH ₂ CH ₂ PPh ₂	74	96	4	0
Me ₂ PCH ₂ CH ₂ PMe ₂	84	9	84	7
Ph ₂ PCH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ PPh ₂	89	96	4	0
dmpf ^c	48	8	74	18
dmpc ^d	7	12	88	0
dppc ^e	18	78	1	21
Ph ₂ PCH=CHPPh ₂	8	92	8	0
2PEt ₃	9	1	11	88
2PBu ₃	8	2	16	82
2PPh ₃	44	16	30	54

^a To a mixture of chlorobenzene (5 mmol) and a nickel complex (0.05 mmol) in 5 ml of ether was added an isopropyl Grignard solution (6.9 mmol) at 0°. The mixture was refluxed for 20 hr, hydrolyzed, and then analyzed by glpc. ^b Determined by glpc using an internal standard. ^c 1,1'-Bis(dimethylphosphino)ferrocene. ^d Bis(dimethylphosphino)-*o*-carborane. ^e Bis(diphenylphosphino)-*o*-carborane.

• The extent is dependent strongly upon electronic nature of the phosphine ligand.

- electron donating → *n*-propylbenzene
- electron accepting → isopropylbenzene

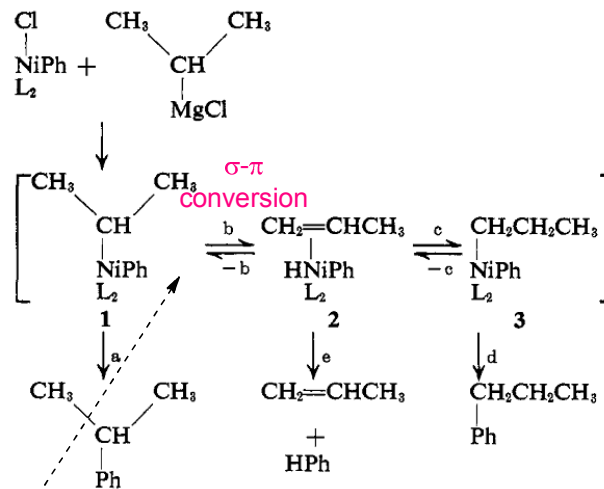
• Benzene is formed only in the cases where *n*-propylproduct is formed pregerentially. (with a few exception)

" β -effect"

Electron-donating ligands increase electron density on the metal center
 ⇒ lower the activation energy for the σ - π conversion
 ⇒ facilitate the β -hydride elimination

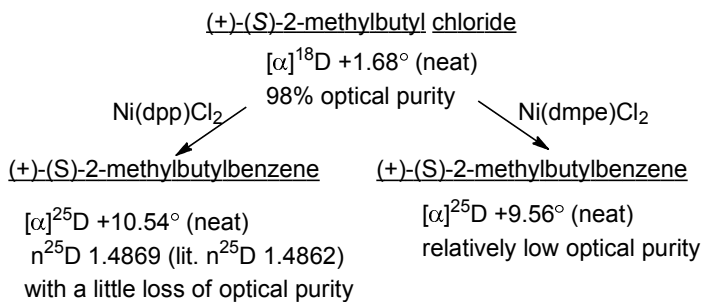
plausible mechanism

Scheme I



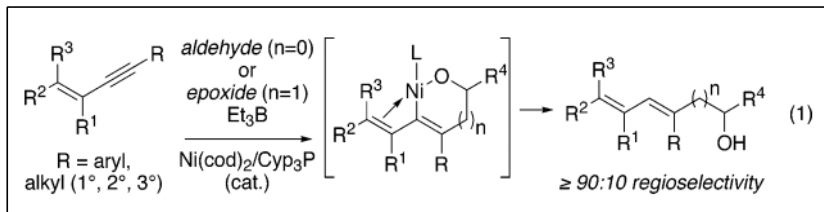
Kumada, M. *et al. JACS*, **1972**, 94, 9628.

information which serves as evidence for scheme 1



mechanistic study 1: product-oriented mechanistic analyses

<1,3-enynes (Jamison's system)>



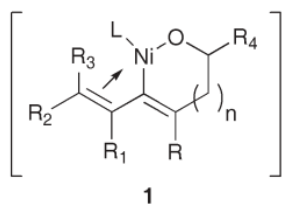
High regioselectivity is just due to an electronic distinction between two alkyne substituents, or... ??

Table 1. Alkene-Directed, Nickel-Catalyzed Coupling Reactions of Alkynes with Aldehydes and Epoxides^a

entry	enyne	diene	yield (%)	regioselectivity ^b
1			71	95:5
2 ^c			69	>95:5
3 ^d			68	>95:5
4			64	>95:5
5			64	>95:5
6			71	95:5
7			88	95:5
8			75	90:10
9 ^e			88	95:5
10 ^d			50 ^d	>95:5
11 ^d			51 ^d	>95:5

^a See eq 1. Standard procedure (see Supporting Information): To a solution of Ni(cod)₂ (0.05 mmol), tricyclopentylphosphine (Cyp₃P) (0.10 mmol), and Et₃B (1.0 mmol) in EtOAc (0.5 mL) at 0 °C were added *n*-PrCHO (1.0 mmol) and the enyne (0.5 mmol). Upon consumption of the enyne, purification by chromatography provided dienes 2a–2k. ^b Regioselectivity determined by ¹H NMR. ^c (+)-Neomenthyl(diphenyl)phosphine used as ligand. ^d Bu₃P and (+)-octene oxide (>99% ee) used in place of Cyp₃P and *n*-PrCHO. EtOAc omitted. ^e Yield over two steps.

Jamison, T. F. *et al.* JACS, 2004, 126, 4130.



Olefins have the ability to form a favorable bonding interaction with Ni in a high-energy intermediate **1** serving to lower the TS energy

conclusion

The alkene substituents appears to strongly direct regioselectivity and also significantly increase reactivity. ⇒complexation of the alkene to the metal center during the regioselectivity-determining step?

•due to neither the nature or size of the other alkyne substituent nor the degree of alkene substitution

Some unique effects

(1)complete reversal regioselectivity

•In the previous result, C-C bond formation favored *distal* to the allyl substituent.



•In the previous result, C-C bond formation favored *proximal* to the allyl substituent. (See entry 1)

A vinyl group is a significantly more potent DG than a phenyl ring ??

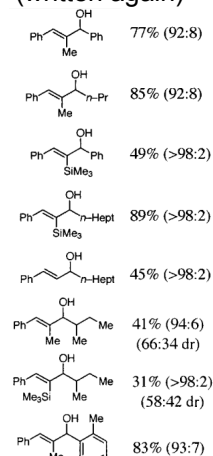
(2)a remarkable increase in reactivity

•*t*-BuC≡C-C-alkyl and *t*-BuC≡C-C-aryl don't react.



•*t*-BuC≡C-CH=CH₂ underwent reaction, and with excellent regioselectivity to favor C-C bond formation at the more hindered alkyne carbon! (See entry 2)

substrate scope (written again)

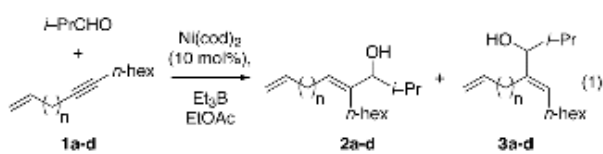


How about a remote alkene ??

<1,6-enynes (Jamison's system)>

➤ A remote, *unconjugated* alkene dictates regioselectivity??

Table 1. Directing Effects of Tethered Alkenes^a



entry	alkyne	n	yield (%)	regioselectivity (2:3) ^b
1	1a	1	<5	nd
2	1b	2	<5	nd
3	1c	3	53 ^c	>95:5
4	1d	4	<5	nd
5	n-pentyl-C≡C-n-hexyl	n.a.	28 ^c	50:50

^a Standard procedure: The alkyne (0.50 mmol) was added to a 0 °C solution of Ni(cod)₂ (0.05 mmol), *i*-PrCHO (1.00 mmol), and Et₃B (1.00 mmol) in EtOAc (0.5 mL), and the solution was allowed to stir 15 h at room temperature. See Supporting Information for details. ^b Determined by ¹H NMR and/or GC. ^c Some alkylative coupling (transfer of Li from Et₃B) also observed.

• Only one tether length provided the marked difference in reactivity and selectivity.

with little difference in the steric and electronic properties of the alkyne substituents

A tethered alkene is sufficient to reinforce "inherent" regioselectivities.

Table 2. Highly Regioselective, Catalytic Reductive Coupling Reactions Directed by a Remote Alkene^a

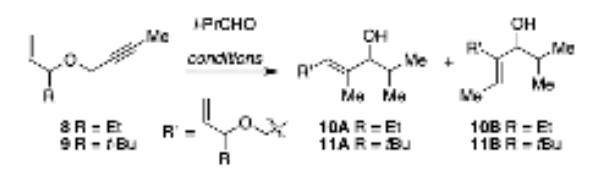
enyne	aldehyde	product	yield, regioselectivity (2:3)
1a	H ¹⁸ O Me	2a	68% (>95:5)
1a	H ¹⁸ O OTBS	2f	58% (>95:5)
1a	H ¹⁸ O Ph	2g	60% (>95:5)
1e	H ¹⁸ O Me	2h	64% (>95:5)
1f	H ¹⁸ O Me	2i	62% (>95:5)
1g	H ¹⁸ O Me	2j	60% (>95:5)
1h	H ¹⁸ O Pr	2k	62% (>95:5)
1i	H ¹⁸ O Me	2l	68% (>95:5)

^a See eq 1, Table 1, and Supporting Information. R = (CH₂)₃CH=CH₂. Regioselectivity determined by ¹H NMR and/or GC.

Jamison, T. F. *et al.* JACS, 2004, 126, 15342.

➤ Tethered alkenes is affected by ligand-switchable directing effect.

Table 1. Coupling Reactions of Chiral 1,6-Enynes



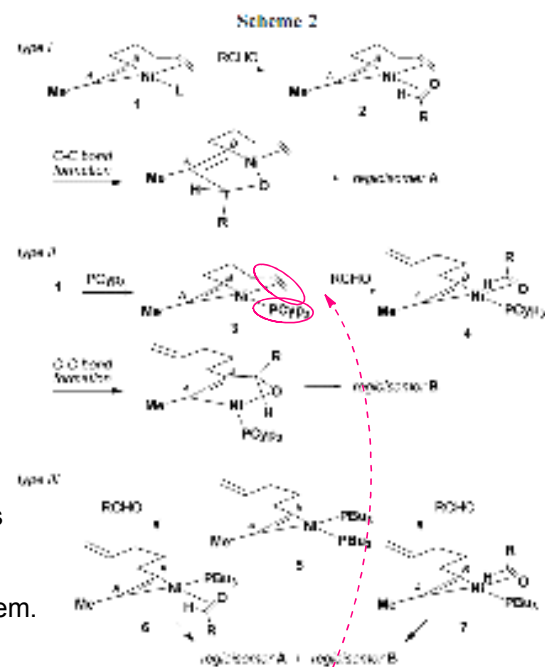
entry	enyne ^a	reaction conditions ^b	products	A/B ^c	dr A ^d	dr B ^d
1	8	I	10A, B	>95:5	95:5	
2	8 (R = Et)	II		<5:95	45:55	45:55
3	8	III		55:45	50:50	45:55
4	9	I	11A, B	>95:5	>95:5	
5	9 (R = <i>t</i> -Bu)	II		<5:95	42:58	42:58
6	9	III		61:49	45:55	42:58

^a Racemic 8 and 9 were employed in this series of reactions. ^b I: Ni(cod)₂ (10 mol %), Et₃B (200 mol %). II: reaction conditions I + PCy₃ (20 mol %). III: reaction conditions I + PBu₃ (20 mol %). ^c Based on isolated yields. ^d Determined by ¹H NMR.

Jamison, T. F. *et al.* OL, 2006, 8, 7598.

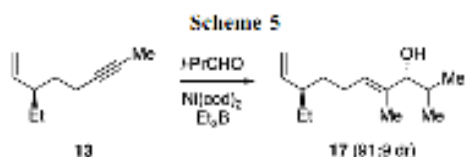
Don't atom at propargyl position play a key role in the mode of diastereoselection??

plausible mechanism

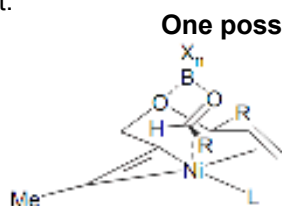


olefin = the most weak bound ligand
PCy₃ = more strong bound ligand

► O and C at propargyl position have similar effect.



... But the effect is measurable different.



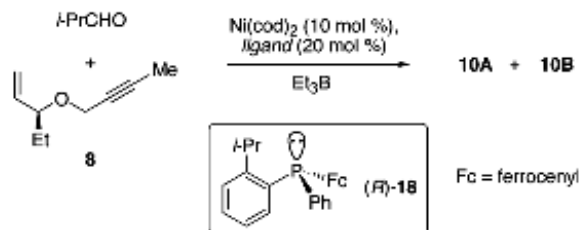
Oxygen in the etheral tether was binding to the aldehyde via the boron??

directing the aldehyde to the top face due to the conformation of the ring chelate

Jamison, T. F. *et al. tetrahedron*, **2006**, 62, 7598.

► The influence of the chiral center in the tether is minimal.

Table 2. Coupling Reactions of Chiral, Enantiomerically Enriched 1,6-Enynes with Ferrocenyl-Containing Phosphines



ligand	A/B ^a	dr 10A (R/S) ^b	dr 10B ^{b,c}
(R)-18	48:52	30:70	28:72
(S)-18	55:45	66:34	68:32
FcPPh ₂	54:46	56:44	48:52

^a Based on isolated yields. ^b Configuration of allylic alcohol stereogenic center. ^c Relative stereochemistry not determined.

• nearly equimolar amounts of regioisomers
⇒ via a type III mechanistic pathway

• modest diastereoselection
in both the R and S phosphine ligands cases
⇒ no influence of the enyne stereocenters on the diastereoselectivity

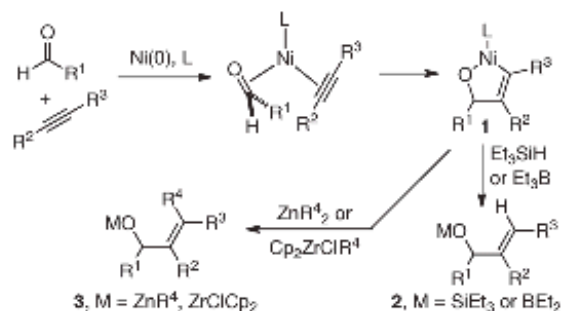
conclusion

Phosphine is bound to Ni during the C-C bond-forming step

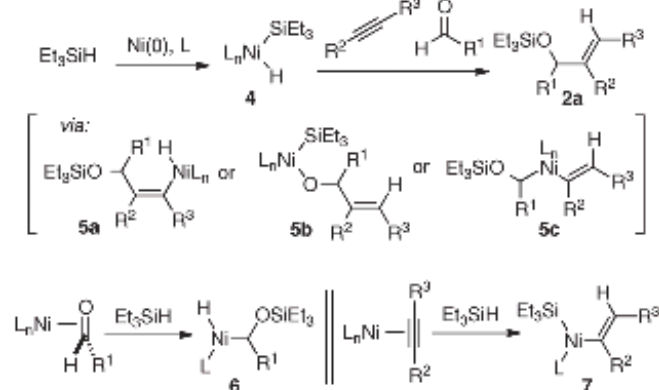
mechanistic study 2: kinetic analysis

via which pathway the reductive coupling proceed ??

Scheme 1. Nickel-Catalyzed Aldehyde–Alkyne Couplings

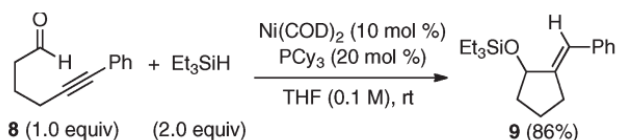


Scheme 2. Mechanisms Initiated by Oxidative Addition to Et₃SiH



Montgomery, J. *et al. JACS*, **2011**, 133, 5728.

a rate study of the cyclization of a ynal by *in situ* IR monitoring



ynal: first-order dependence
 Ni(COD)₂: first-order dependence
 Et₃SiH: zeroth-order dependence

a kinetic isotope effect study & a crossover-labeling study

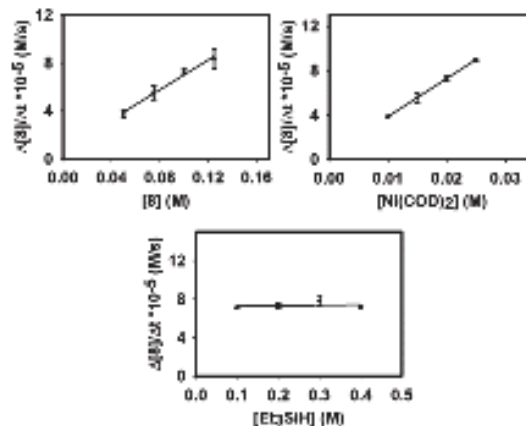
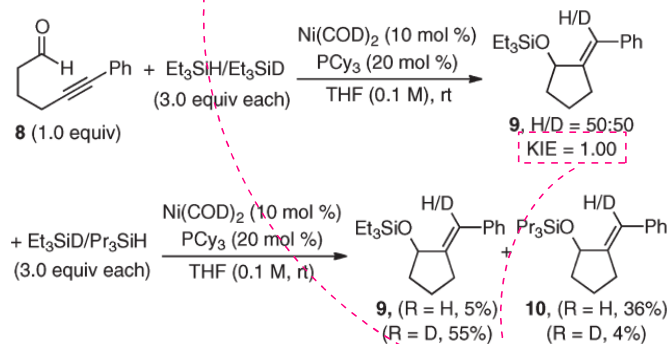


Figure 1. Determination of kinetic order of reaction components. (Top left) Linear dependence of initial reaction rate on [8]. (Top right) Linear dependence of initial reaction rate on [Ni(COD)₂]. (Bottom) Zeroth-order dependence of initial reaction rate on [Et₃SiH]. Reported values are given as the average of three or more experiments, with error bars representing the standard deviation between individual runs.

c.f. PBU₃-promoted process originally reported
 → See Montgomery's second system

- These seem to be inconsistent with rate-determining oxidative addition of Ni(0) to the Si-H bond (Scheme 2).



- For a mechanism involving the production of nickel hydride 4 to be consistent with the kinetic order studies...

{ a fast reaction between a PCy₃ adduct of Ni(COD)₂ with Et₃SiH
 { a slow subsequent insertion step

Is it possible??

in situ IR monitoring

a solution of Et₃SiH $\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(COD)}_2/\text{PCy}_3}$

no consumption or change of the Si-H stretch

- This is inconsistent with formation of 4 (Scheme 2), but consistent with formation of 5 or 6 (Scheme 2).



a solution of Et₃SiH + aldehyde $\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(COD)}_2/\text{PCy}_3}$

a solution of Et₃SiH + alkyne $\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(COD)}_2/\text{PCy}_3}$

no consumption or change of the Si-H stretch

- These are inconsistent with formation of 5 or 6 (Scheme 2).

Scheme 2 is ruled out! How about Scheme 1?

in situ IR monitoring

a solution of Et₃SiH + enal $\xrightarrow{\text{Ni(COD)}_2/\text{PCy}_3}$

steady depletion of Si

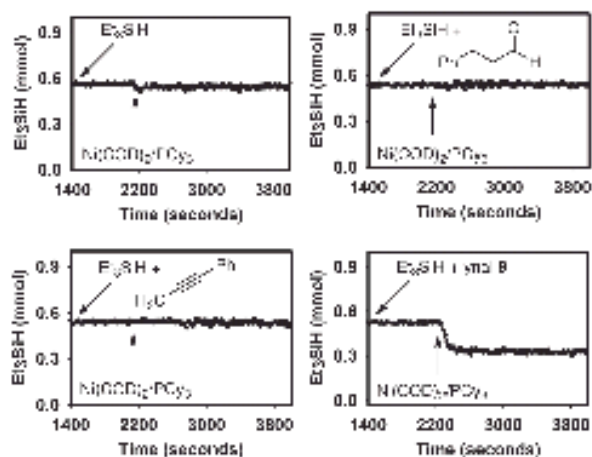


Figure 2. Experiments tracking silane depletion, with monitoring of silane IR stretch at 2100 cm⁻¹. (a, top left) Et₃SiH (1.0 equiv) at -25 °C, then a mixture of Ni(COD)₂ (1.0 equiv) and PCy₃ (2.0 equiv). (b, top right) Et₃SiH (1.0 equiv) and acrocinnamaldehyde (1.0 equiv) at -25 °C, then a mixture of Ni(COD)₂ (1.0 equiv) and PCy₃ (2.0 equiv). (c, bottom left) Et₃SiH (1.0 equiv) and phenyl propyne (1.0 equiv) at -25 °C, then a mixture of Ni(COD)₂ (1.0 equiv) and PCy₃ (2.0 equiv). (d, bottom right) Et₃SiH (1.0 equiv) and ynal 8 (1.0 equiv) at -25 °C, then a mixture of Ni(COD)₂ (1.0 equiv) and PCy₃ (2.0 equiv).

Conclusion

All experiments support the nickelacycle mechanism (Scheme 1).

appendix: free-energy for the full catalytic cycle

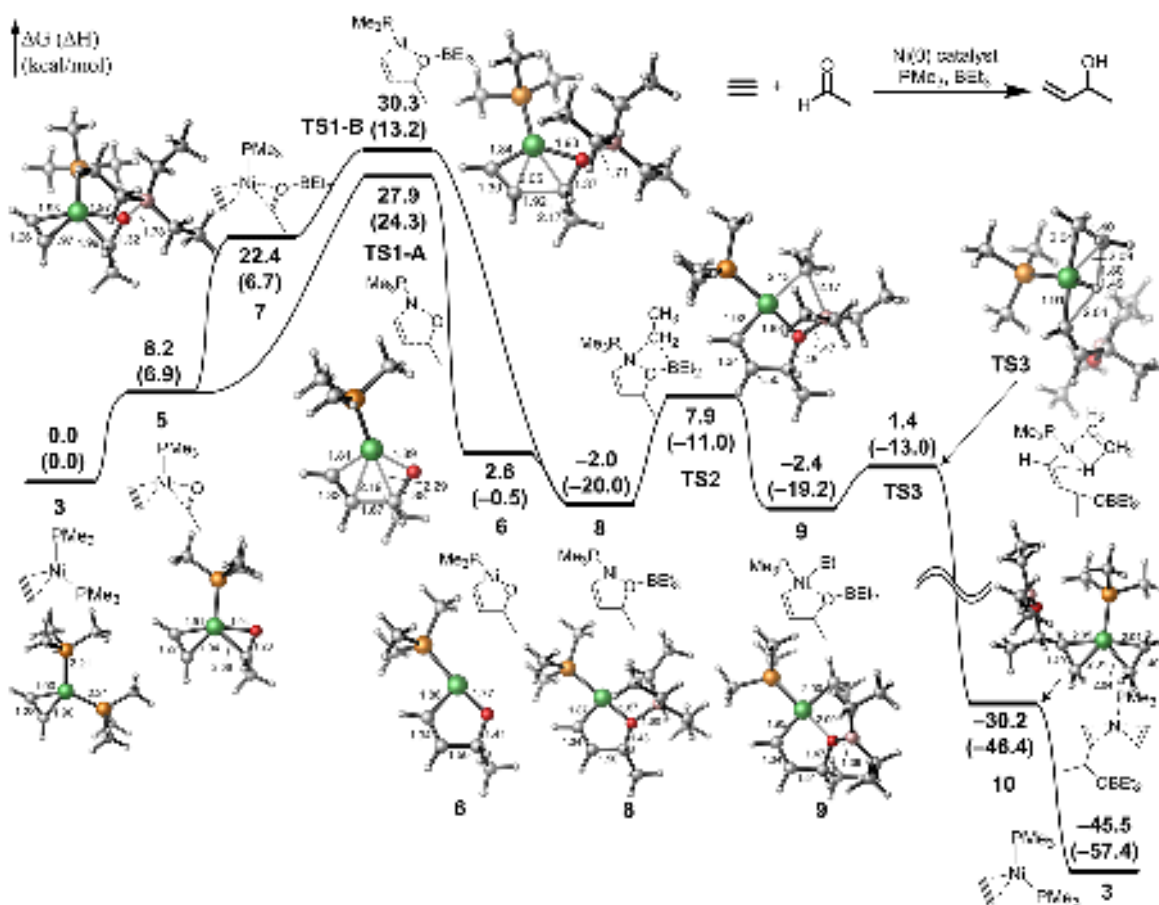
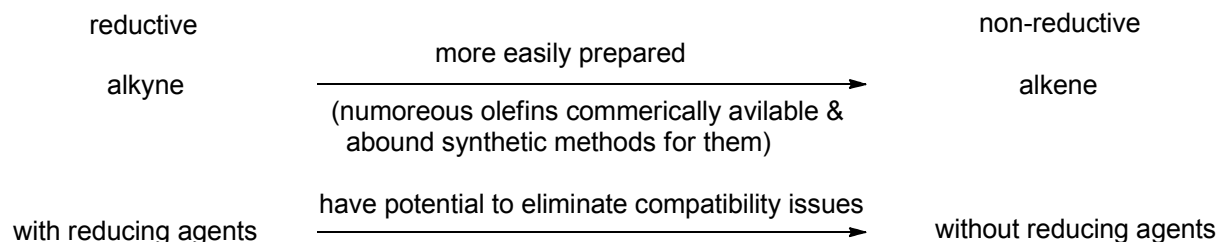


Figure S1. Free energy surface of the Ni(0)-catalyzed reductive coupling of acetylene and acetaldehyde.

2. Alkene-Aldehyde Non-Reductive Coupling Reaction

from alkyne to alkene

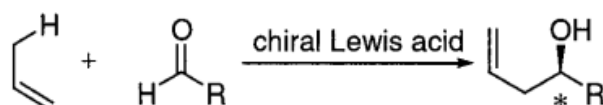


Non-reductive have some merits, but both aldehydes and alkenes are intrinsically unreactive toward each other.

How can these components be activated?

→ See reductive coupling of 1,3- and 1,6-enynes

carbonyl-ene reactions catalyzed by transition-metal complexes as Lewis acids

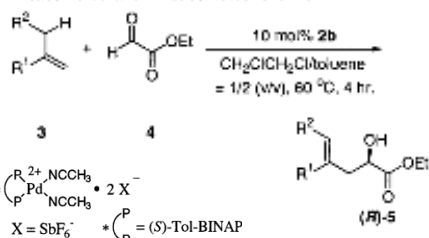


► Transition-metal-catalyzed intermolecular coupling reactions of alkenes remained elusive.

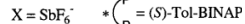
► Historically, the most direct method for intermolecular couplings of unactivated alkenes and aldehydes is carbonyl-ene reaction, and late transition-metal complexes (cationic Lewis acid complexes) catalyze it.

a pioneer work (chiral Pd(II) complexes)

Table 3. Enantioselective Glyoxylate-Ene Reactions with 1,1-Disubstituted and Trisubstituted Olefins



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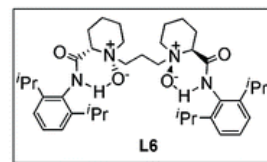
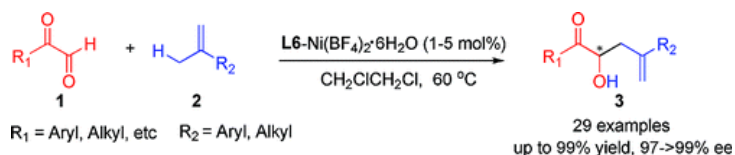


entry	3	5	diastereomer
		yield (%) ^a	ee (%) ^b ratio
1		97	88
2		95	74
3		92	73 (major) 5:6/1
4		94	81 (major) 2:2/1
5 ^c		83	75 (major) 5:6/1

^a Isolated yield. ^b Determined by chiral GC using CP-Cylobondron-H-2,2,5-M-19 column. ^c At room temperature.

Mikami, K. *et al.* *OL*, 2000, 2, 34059.

a Ni(II) catalyst system showing excellent ee



Feng, X. M. *et al.* *JACS*, 2008, 130, 15770.

- ☺ excellent enantioselectivity
- ☺ a wide range of "simple" alkenes (1,1-disubstituted and trisubstituted olefins)
- ☹ limited scope of electrophile (few aromatic or sterically demanding aldehyde)



Develop a reaction with features not amenable to existing carbonyl-ene methodology!

- the ability to transform less activated alkenes
- enhanced and complementary electrophile scope
- the option to produce allylic alcohol in addition to homolylic product

Jamison's unique system

Jamison, T. F. *et al. JACS*, 2006, 128, 11513.

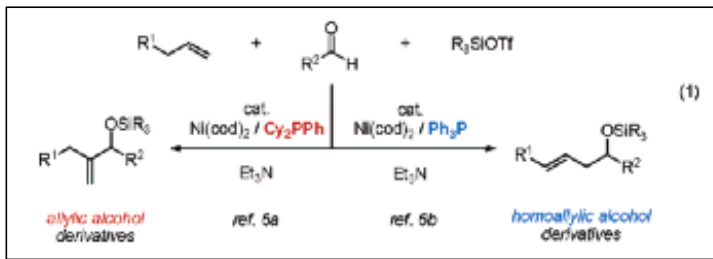


Table 1. Nickel-Catalyzed Coupling of Ethylene, Aldehydes, and Silyl Triflates^a

entry	R (aldehyde)	R ₃ SiOTf	product	isolated yield (%)	entry	R (aldehyde)	R ₃ SiOTf	product	isolated yield (%)
1	Ph	Et ₃ SiOTf		82 (62) ^b	8		Et ₃ SiOTf		80
2	p-tolyl	Et ₃ SiOTf		88 (62) ^b	9	2,4,6-trimethylphenyl	Et ₃ SiOTf		88
3	o-tolyl	Et ₃ SiOTf		63 (84) ^b	10 ^c		Et ₃ SiOTf		76
4	o-methyl	Et ₃ SiOTf		96 (56) ^c	11 ^c		Et ₃ SiOTf		84
5	benzofuryl	Et ₃ SiOTf		65 (88) ^b	12	o-tolyl	Et ₃ SiOTf		70
6	benzofuryl	Me ₃ SiOTf		60	13		Et ₃ SiOTf		81 (40) ^{c,d}
7	benzofuryl	t-BuMe ₂ SiOTf		67	14	cyclohexenyl	Et ₃ SiOTf		76 ^e [34] ^{e,f}

^a Standard procedure: Ni(cod)₂ (20 mol %), (o-tolyl)₂P (40 mol %), and ethylene (1 atm) were dissolved in 2.5 mL of toluene under argon. Ethylene (1 atm) was substituted for argon. Triethylamine (600 mol %), the aldehyde (100 mol %), and Et₃SiOTf (175 mol %) were added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 6–18 h at 33 °C. ^b (o-tolyl)₂P was replaced by Cy₂PPh. ^c (o-tolyl)₂P was replaced by Ph₃P. ^d Yields determined by ¹H NMR using DMF as a standard. ^e Conducted under 2 atm of ethylene. ^f Stirred at room temperature for 30 h.

• Simple aromatic aldehydes react efficiently.

• *o*-Substitution don't deter the reaction.

• Enolizable aldehydes generally are not appropriate (but some are tolerated as in entry 14).

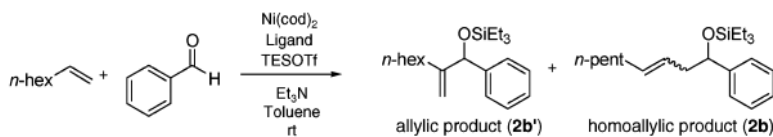
• Heteroaromatic aldehyde are tolerated!

• E-rich aromatic aldehydes are more efficient substrates than e-poor ones.

• Some common silyl triflates can be used.

Byproducts (resulting from a pinacol coupling) are observed only in these entries.

How about regioselectivity, if substituted olefins are used??



What occurred??



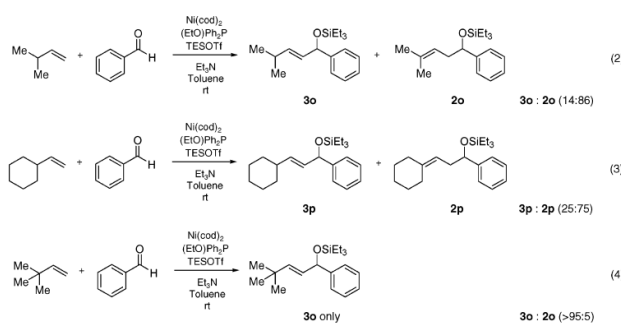
Two distinct types of coupling products are typically observed. How can the ration of them be controlled?

substrate scope (H)

Table 3. Preparation of Homoallylic Alcohols from Nickel-Catalyzed Alkene-Aldehyde Coupling*

entry	alkene	aldehyde	homoallylic alcohol	alkene:aldehyde	yield (%)
1 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	61%
2 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
3 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
4 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
5 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
6 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
7 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
8 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
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- Highly regioselective & *E/Z* selective (favoring *E*)
- Aromatic aldehydes, heteroaromatic aldehydes, and sterically demanding aldehydes can be used.
- As the case of ethylene, e-rich aldehydes are more efficiency.
- Substitution at the homoallylic position (of alkenes) don't affect, but at the allylic position different ones.



unusual *E*-1,3-disubstituted allylic alcohol product

an important observation in understanding the mechanism

*Reaction conditions: Ni(cod)₂ (10 mol %), Cy-Ph₂P (10 mol %), Cu⁺ salt (10 mol %), Et₃N (1.2 equiv), Toluene, rt, 24 h. Aldehyde (1.0 equiv), Alkene (1.0 equiv). Yield (%) is based on aldehyde. ^aReaction conditions: Ni(cod)₂ (10 mol %), Cy-Ph₂P (10 mol %), Cu⁺ salt (10 mol %), Et₃N (1.2 equiv), Toluene, rt, 24 h. Aldehyde (1.0 equiv), Alkene (1.0 equiv). Yield (%) is based on aldehyde.

substrate scope (A)

Table 4. Preparation of Allylic Alcohols from Nickel-Catalyzed Alkene-Aldehyde Coupling*

entry	alkene	aldehyde	allylic alcohol	alkene:aldehyde	yield (%)
1 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	61%
2 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
3 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	66/34
4 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	90/10
5 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
6 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29
7 ^a		PhCHO		1:1	71/29

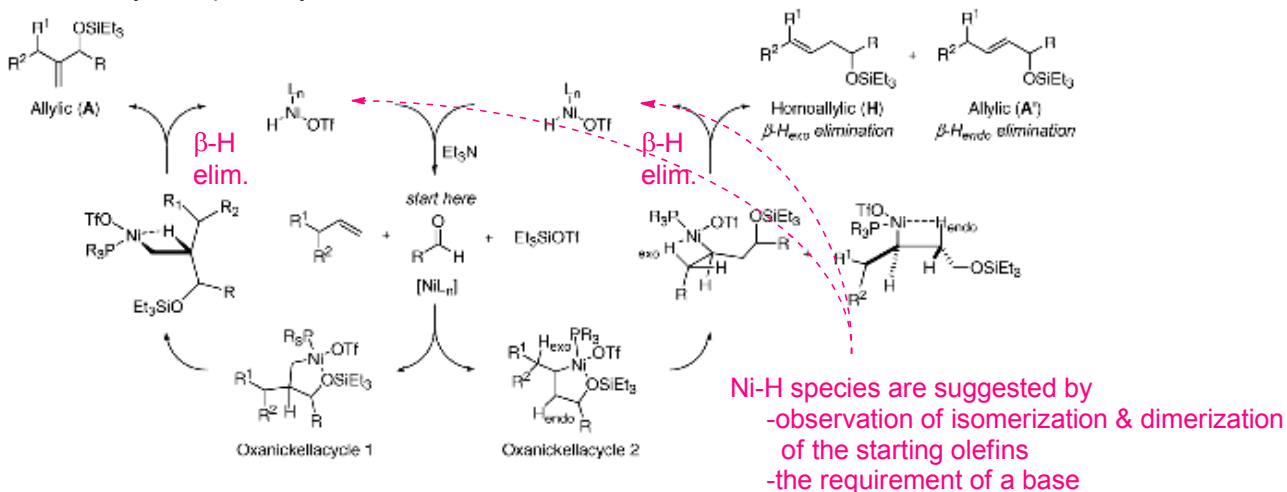
- Aromatic aldehydes and heteroaromatic aldehydes can be used.
- As cases above, e-rich aldehydes are more efficiency.
- Substitution at the homoallylic position (of alkenes) don't affect, but at the allylic position different ones.

competition study
Trisubstituted alkenes are stable.
→See entry 6
In general, 1,1- and acyclic 1,2-disubstituted alkenes are significantly less reactive, and trisubstituted alkenes don't react under the standard reaction conditions.

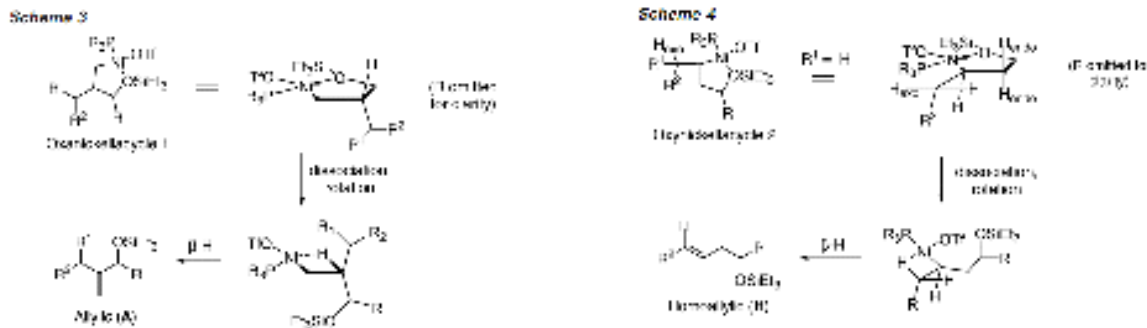
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proposed reaction mechanism based on some observations and in analogy to the Heck reaction

Scheme 1 nickel-hydride pathway



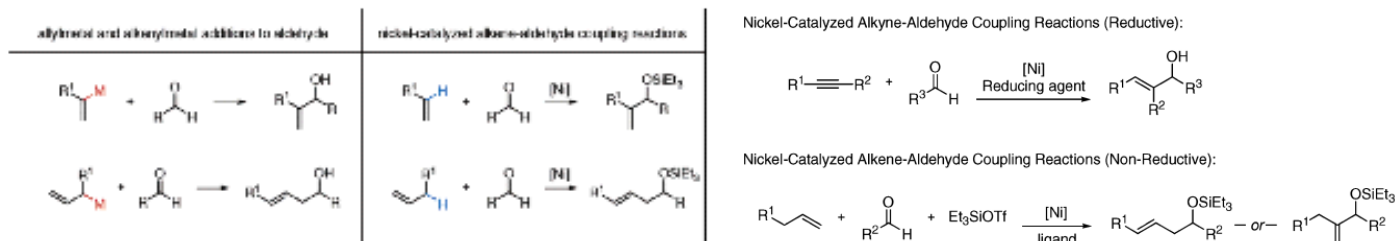
oxanickelacycle model (in more detail)



From the entirely difference of both substrate scopes of alkenes and aldehydes, the direct precursor to the oxanickelacycle is a Ni(0) species, not a cationic Ni(II) Lewis acid species.

3. Summary

Jamison's non-reductive process, different from carbonyl-ene reactions of reductive processes, conceptually serve alkenes as substituteds for both allylmatal and alkenylmetal reagents. This system affords two type products with high selctivity in either direction



1997

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2004

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intramolecular
reductive

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