# Cationic Phosphine-Gold(I) Catalysis for C-C Forming Reaction with C $\equiv$ C ~ Can relativistic effects rationalize its reactivity? ~

@ Carbometallation is powerful C-C bond formation although stoichiometric metal is needed.



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# 1. Theoritical chemistry of Gold

### **<u>1-1 Relativistic effects</u>**



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(experimental values)

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### Effect 2: The Relativistic Self-Consistent Expansion

The d and f orbitals are not contracted. (higher angular momentum, seldom descend to nucleus)

Instead, { better shielded by contracted s and p orbitals

see a weaker nuclear attraction

Destabilization of orbital energies Expansion of d and f orbitals  $\Box$ 

### Effect 3: The Spin-Orbit splitting



#### > these effects are reflected in MO calculation



P. Pyykko et al. (Acc. Chem. Res. 1979, 276.)

Figure 1 | Comparison of AuH and AgH bond energies. Calculated (Hartree–Fock) molecular orbital energies for AgH and AuH are shown with (R) and without (NR) consideration of relativistic effects<sup>5</sup>. In the nonrelativistic calculation, the two molecules had similar bond energies. In the relativistic calculation, the 6s contraction resulted in a far stronger AuH  $\sigma$ -bond. (Reprinted from ref. 4, with permission from the American Chemical Society.)

## **1-2 Other theoretical aspects**

> aurophilicity

the tendency for Au-Au interactions to be stabilizing on the order of hydrogen bonds (might be important for neutral complex (LAgX etc..))

> [Me₂Au<sup>I</sup>]<sup>⊖</sup>

not particularly nucleophilic relative to the corresponding Cu<sup>I</sup> (and Ag<sup>I</sup>) complexes.

E. Nakamura et al. (J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2005, 127, 1446.)

>  $Me_2RAu^{III}L$  (R = Me or allyl, L = PMe\_3)

reductive elimination is relatively disfavoured as well.

Au<sup>I</sup> and Au<sup>III</sup> complexes do not readily cycle between oxidation states. (of course exception exists)
(+ from experiments)

tolerate both oxygen and acidic protons,

@ With its unique properties strongly influenced by relativistic effects, theoretical chemists have much attention to gold.

review P. Pyykko (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2004, 43, 4412.)

(pp 4424) one can regard the moiety [AuPR<sub>3</sub>]<sup>+</sup> as a  $\sigma$ -acceptor in analogy to H<sup>+</sup>.

# 2. Nu addition toward C C

quite a lot !

review

A. S. K. Hashmi (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2005, 44, 6990-6993)

A. S. K. Hashmi and G. J. Hutchings (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2006, 45, 7896-7936)

A. S. K. Hashmi (Chem. Rev. 2007, 107, 3180-3211)

D. J. Gorin and F. D. Toste (Nature 2007, 446, 395-403)



### 2-1 Heteroatom Nu



→ TON up to 50000! (0.00002 mol%), TOF up to 5400 h<sup>-1</sup> (cf Hg<sup>II</sup> quickly reduced to metalic Hg (TON ~100))

 $[L-Au^{l}]^{+}$  the initial TOFs  $[h^{-1}]$ : Ph<sub>3</sub>As (430) < Et<sub>3</sub>P (550) < Ph<sub>3</sub>P (610) < (4-F-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)<sub>3</sub>P (640) < (MeO)<sub>3</sub>P (1200) < (PhO)<sub>3</sub>P (1500) electron-poor ligands lead to an increase in activity, but the stability decreases.

 $[Ph_3PAu^{\dagger}X] \rightarrow$  the initial TOFs  $[h^{-1}]$ :  $I^{-}(2) < CI^{-}(7) < NO^{-3} \sim CF_3COO^{-} \sim CH_3SO^{-3}$  (700) progresses from soft to hard anions

> 41
>  Ph<sub>3</sub>PAuMe MeSO<sub>3</sub>H solvent-free 20-50°C
>  MeO OMe 42 (major)
>  +
>  OMe +
>  <internal alkyne > less steric hinderance for MeOH



Scheme 3. Proposed mechanism for the addition of methanol to propyne catalyzed by the trimethylphosphanegold()) cation.

theoretically cis-auration

## 2-2 Theoretical chemistry of cationic phosphineGold(I)



Au(I)<sup>+</sup> is a large, diffuse cation sharing positive charge with the phosphine ligand,

one might expect orbital rather than charge interactions in binding a second ligand. "Soft"

### 6s orbital of [R<sub>3</sub>PAu<sup>I</sup>]<sup>+</sup>can further accept electrons (contracted 6s) keep strong Lewis acidity

cmpd	q(M)	$q(\mathbf{P})$	n(d)	n(s)	$n(\mathbf{p})$
AuPH1+	0.66	0.25	9.890	0.438	0.011
	0.85	0.07	9.945	0.202	0.001
Au(PH <sub>3</sub> )2 <sup>+</sup>	0.36	0.27	9.825	0.796	0.011
	0.58	0.16	9.888	0.519	0.003
Au(PH3))*	0.47	0.18	9.858	0.627	0.030
	0.65	0.11	9.901	0.423	0.010
Au(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> +	0.50	0.16	9.854	0.584	0.051
	0.64	0.11	9.893	0.417	0.02
AgPH <sub>3</sub> +	0.86	0.07	9.973	0.156	0.003
Ag(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.61	0.15	9.923	0.449	0.00
Ag(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.63	0.12	9.938	0.405	0.014
Ag(PH <sub>3</sub> )4 <sup>+</sup>	0.60	0.12	9.939	0.417	0.02
CuPH <sub>3</sub> *	0.85	0.07	9.971	0.168	0.00
Cu(PH3)2+	0.61	0.15	9.936	0.444	0.00
Cu(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> *	0.60	0.13	9.940	0.430	0.02
Cu(PH <sub>1</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	0.56	0.15	9.931	0.456	0.03

cmpd	q(M)	$q(\mathbf{P})$	q(CI)	n(d)	n(s)	n(p)
ClAuPH <sub>4</sub>	0.40	0.30	-0.64	9.763	0.772	0.046
	0.59	0.18	-0.73	9.849	0.500	0.042
CIAu(PH <sub>3</sub> )	0.40	0 31/0 12	-0.65	9.766	0.774	0.043
	0.59	0.19/0.11	-0.74	9.851	0.501	0.029
CIAu(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	0.51	0.21	-0.82	9.845	0.548	0.059
	0.64	0.16	-0.84	9,886	0.300	0.041
CLAgPH <sub>1</sub>	0.60	0.17	-0.73	9.892	0.447	0.041
CLAg(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	0.64	0.17/0.13	-0.78	9.921	0.379	0.023
CLAg(PH3)3	0.61	0.16	-0.83	9.932	0.371	0.039
CICuPH <sub>3</sub>	0.61	0.18	-0.74	9.905	0.421	0.050
CICu(PH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	0.63	0.17	-0.80	9.931	0.376	0.040
CICu(PH <sub>1</sub> ))	0.60	0.19	-0.82	9.929	0.398	0.031

Table 4. NBO Population Analysis for [MCl(PH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>n</sub>] (M = Cu, Ag,

AuCl + PH3 not investigated  $[X_2Au^{III}]^+$ 

P. Schwerdtfeger et al. (Inorg. Chem. 2003, 42, 1334.)

### > Stability of [R<sub>3</sub>PAu<sup>I</sup>]<sup>+</sup> + L



## 2-3 carbon Nu





## > (Nu = Ar-H)





Y. Fuchita et al. (J. Chem. Soc., Dalton. Trans. 2001, 2330)



@ They said "oxophilic Au<sup>III</sup> species" and "π-philic Au<sup>I</sup> species"





different position



## 3-1 Generation of cationic intermediates



can catalyze cyclopropanation of styrene with ethyldiazoacetate

S. P. Nolan et al. (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2005, 44, 5284)

@ vinyl Au species was proposed to have significant Au carbene character on the basis of NMR, X-ray, and calculations





conversion

~ 4%

~ 4%

~ 5%

trace

100%

0%

50%

@ initial work of Toste

Catalaytic Isomerization of 1,5-Enynes to Bicyclo[3.1.0]hexenes Michael R. Luzung, Jordan P. Markham, and F. Dean Toste\*

(J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2004, 126, 10858)

same intermediates (14-16) was proposed with Aul

- Nieto-Oberhuber, C. et al. (Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2004, 43, 2402) (Chem. Eur. J. 2006, 12, 1677.)
- Furstner, A. et al.
- (J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2004, 126, 8654)

1% (Ph<sub>3</sub>P)AuPF<sub>6</sub>

99%

D

(25)



but substantial amount of decomposition.\* · 5% AuCl3 with 15% AgOTf

h\_PAUSE

(12)

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(18

Table 1. Au(I)-Catalyzed Synthesis of Bicyclo[3.1.0]hexenes\* Scheme 1. Mechanistic Proposal for Au(I)-Catalyzed Cycloisomerization pseudoegatrial (9) 95% (11) 94% 128 127 介 ≏ (13) <<u>→</u>15) (14· (16) 985 Au might lower the barrier to cationic intermediate (>99:1 dr)

(24)

by backbonding. "expanded 5d"

\* Reaction conditions: 0.5 M 1.5-envne in dichloromethane, rt.

stereospecific

Anyway... carbenoid or cationic ?

With Au(III), analogous intermediates were proposed.

·Pt(II) shows similar reactivity(relativistic effect also influense Pt)

cationic Au(I) --- even in the presence of strongly donating ligands, such as phosphines

activation of alkynes

Pt(II) --- simple salts or CO complex

(21) 96%

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reactivity tuning, stereoselectivity

## 3-2 Investigation of cationic intermediate



"carbenoid"

1)

might be concerted mechanism

