

Mechanochemistry in Organic Synthesis

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1. Introduction

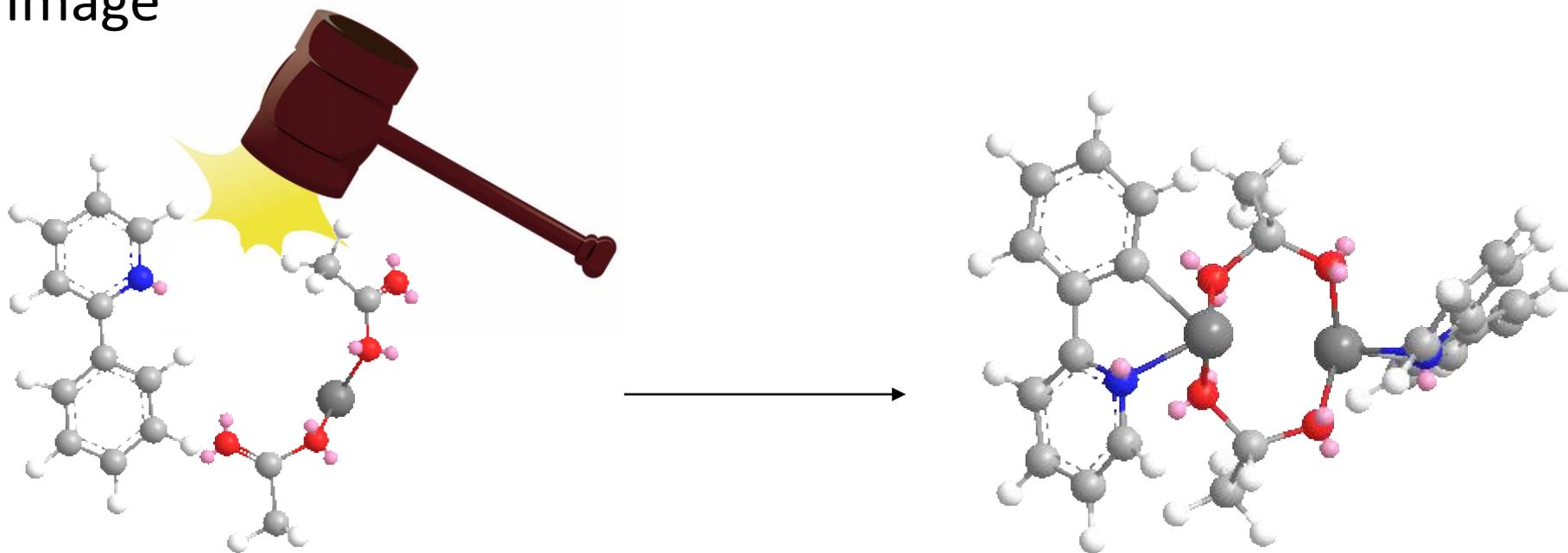
What is Mechanochemistry?

Definition (IUPAC)

“a chemical reaction that is induced by the direct absorption of mechanical energy”

IUPAC Compendium of Chemical Terminology, ed. M. Nič, J. Jirát, B. Košata, A. Jenkins and A. McNaught, IUPAC, 2009.

Image



History of Mechanochemistry

1820 (M. Faraday)

S. L. James *et al.* *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2012**, 41, 413.

AgCl → Ag (with some metals such as Zn, Cu, Sn, Fe)

1890s (C. Lea)

mechanochemical reactions could give different products

1893~1920s

cocrystalization, organic polymers

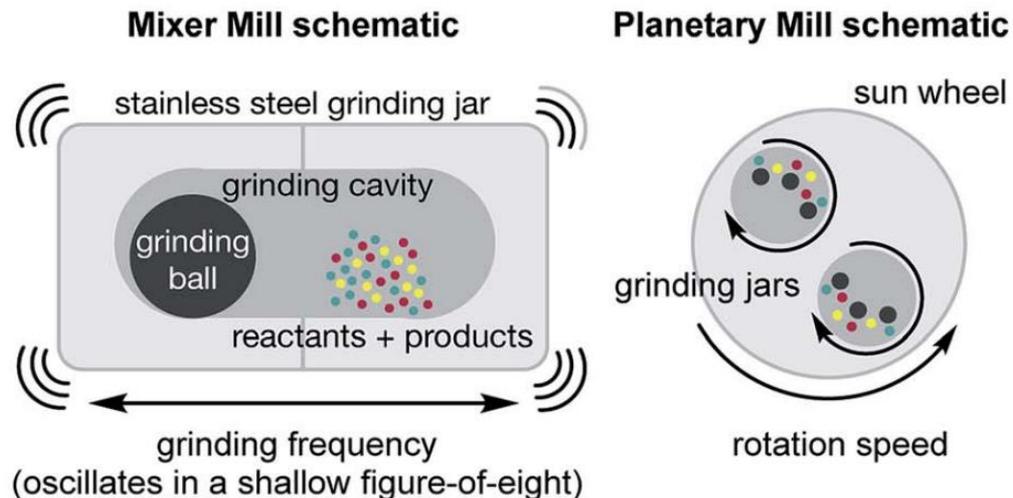
1980s~1990s

solvent-free organic reactions with additional heating

Around 2000

organic, metal-organic, supramolecular synthesis

Equipment



Key Parameters

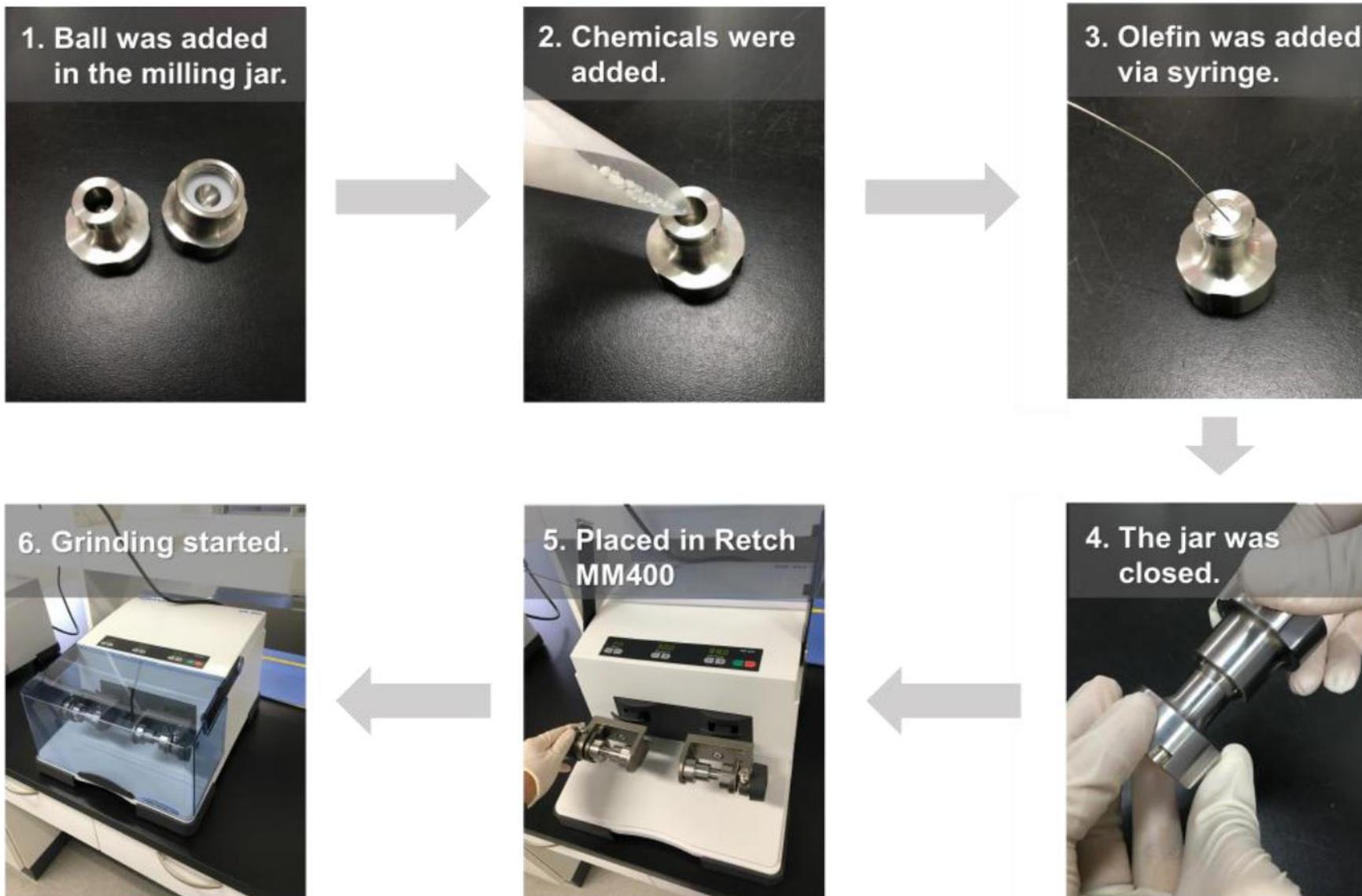
- **cavity or jar volume* = V_J**
- **ball diameter = D_B** (proportional to V and m)
- **number of balls**
- **volume of reactants = V_R** (dependent on sample D)
- **Volume ratio** of balls : sample : free space
- **milling/oscillating frequency = f**
- **milling time = t**

*for mixer mills, length of the jar is constant, volume varies with bore

D. L. Browne *et al. Chem. Sci.* **2018**, *9*, 3080.

✓ **Ball mill is usually used for organic synthesis.**

Example of Reaction Setup (Mixer Mill)



LAG (Liquid Assisted Grinding)

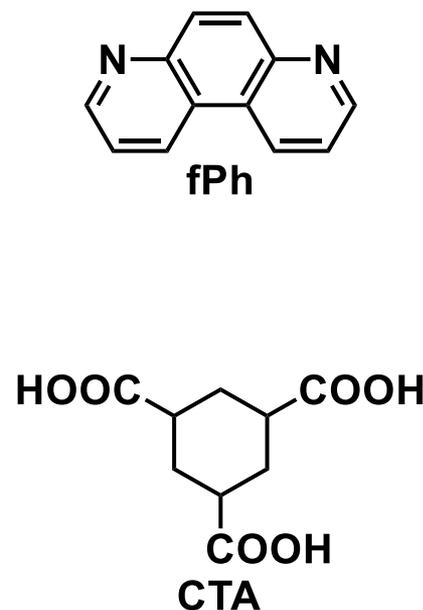
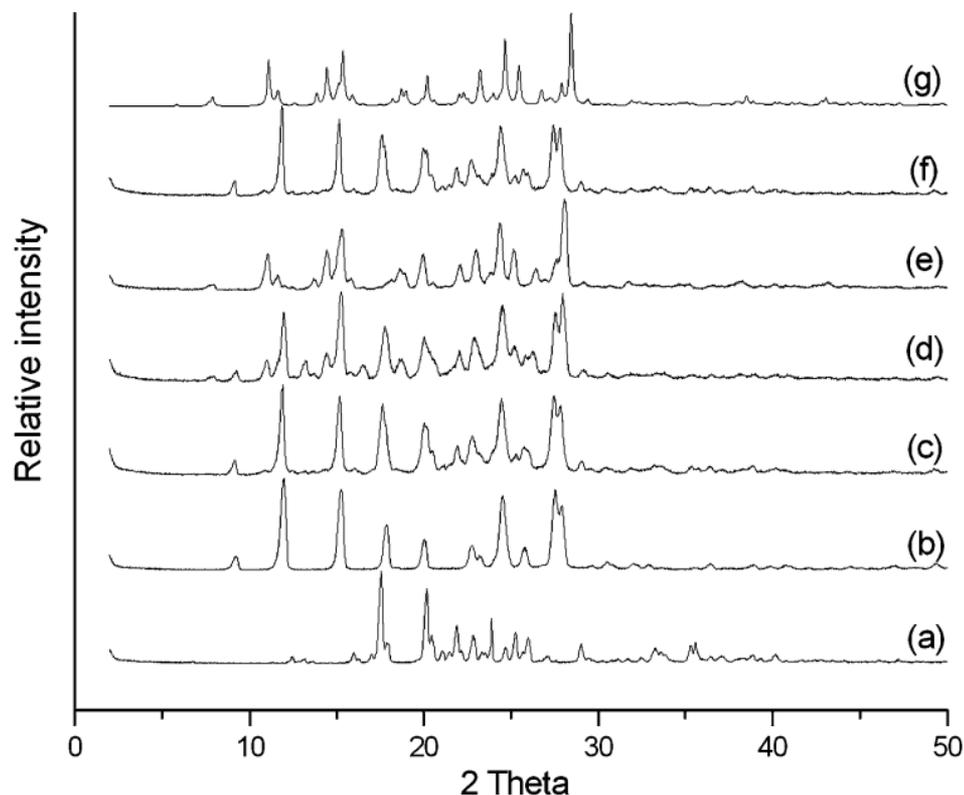
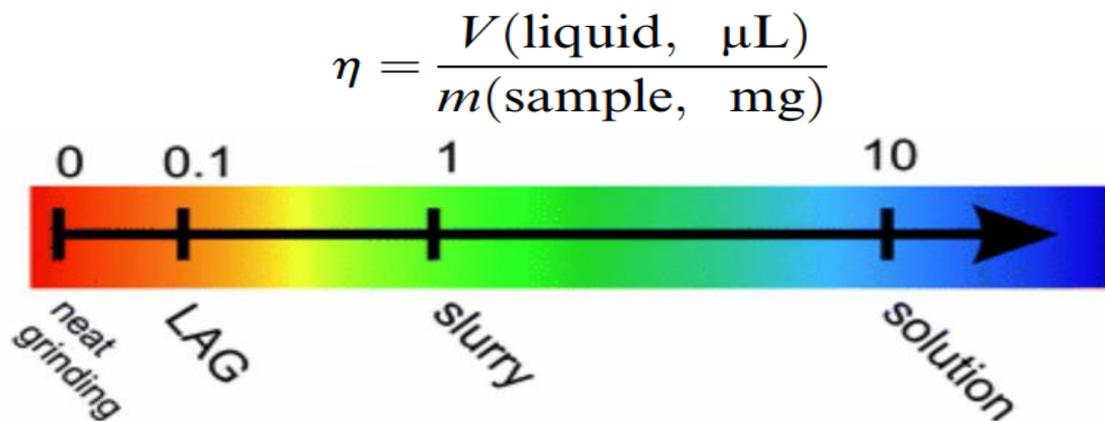


Fig. 2 Powder X-ray diffraction pattern of (a) CTA, (b) fPh, (c) ground dry mixture of CTA + 2fPh (1 h), (d) ground mixture of CTA + 2fPh with MeOH (5 min), (e) ground mixture of CTA + 2fPh with MeOH (10 min), (f) ground mixture of CTA + 2fPh with cyclohexane (1.5 h), (g) simulated pattern from single-crystal structure of CTA·2fPh.

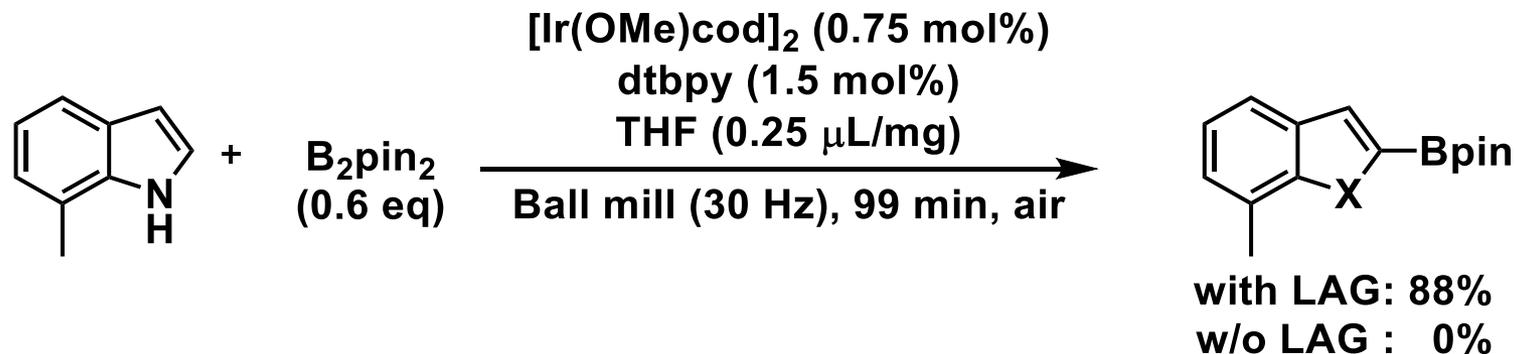
W. Jones *et al.* *Chem. Commun.* **2002**, 2372.

✓ **Addition of MeOH enhanced the co-crystal formation.**

LAG (Liquid Assisted Grinding) (2)



T. Friščić *et al.* *CrystEngComm*, **2009**, *11*, 418.



H. Ito *et al.* *Chem. Eur. J.* **2019**, *25*, 4654.

✓ **LAG has been also used in organic synthesis.**

Analysis Methodology in Real Time

ex situ analysis

- FTIR (within seconds)
- powder X-ray diffraction (several minutes)
- solid-state NMR (~several hours)

In situ analysis

- synchrotron PXRD
- Raman spectroscopy
- tandem analysis (PXRD + Raman)

D. Tan, T. Friščić, *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2018**, 18.

Summary of Section 1

- Ball mills are usually used for mechanochemistry.
- LAG accelerates the mechanochemical reactions.
- The analysis method is limited and the reaction mechanism is often unclear.

2. Mechanochemistry in Organic Synthesis

Mechanochemistry in Organic Synthesis

Carbon-Carbon Bond-Forming Reactions

Carbon-Nitrogen Bond-Forming Reactions

Carbon-Oxygen and Other Bond-Formation Reactions

Cycloaddition Reactions

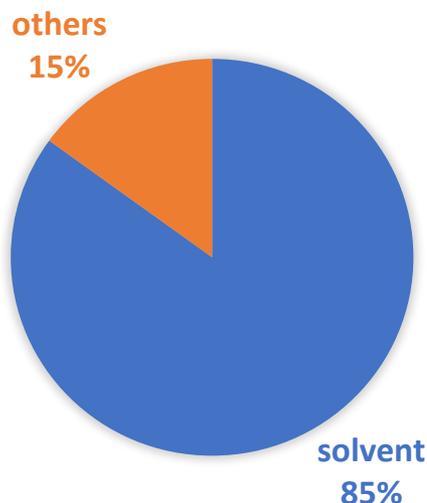
Oxidations and Reductions

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D. Margetić, V. Štrukil. (2016). *Mechanochemical organic synthesis*. Elsevier.

Some Merit of Mechanochemical Reactions

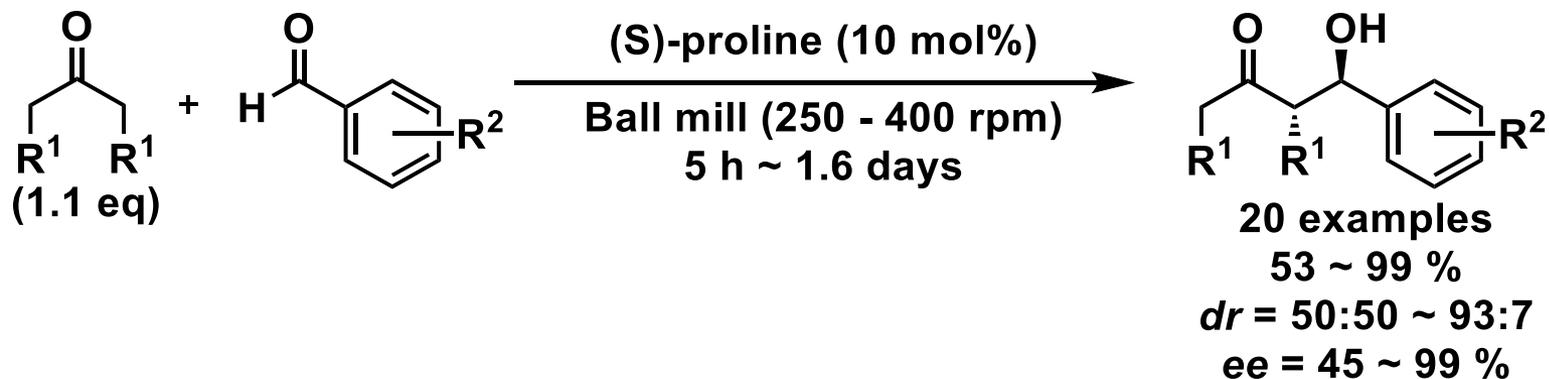
- ✓ ***Solvent-free mechanochemical reactions are cleaner and sustainable.***



D. J. C. Constable et al. *Org. Process Res. Dev.* **2007**, *11*, 133.

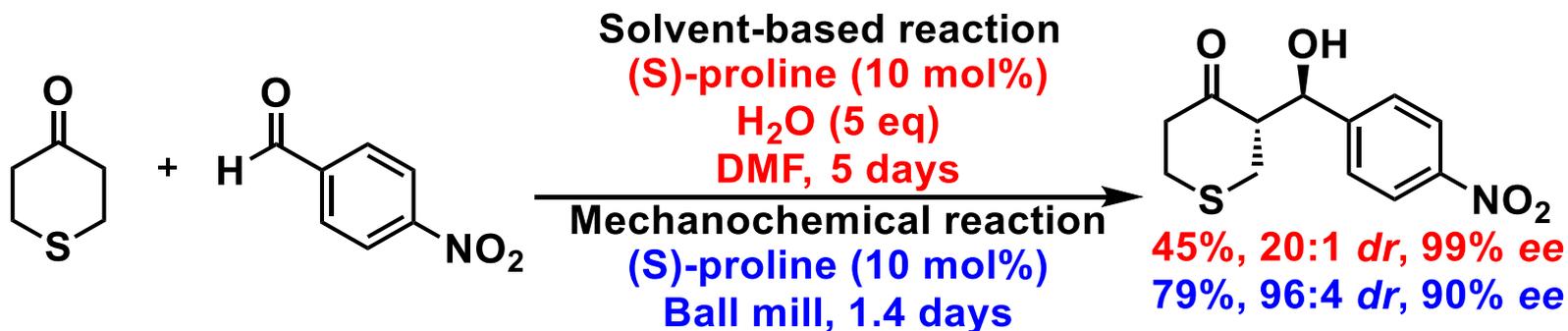
- ✓ ***There are also some advantages in terms of reactivity.***
 - 1. Time saving***
 - 2. Selectivity enhancement***
 - 3. Different products from solution-based reactions***

1. Time Saving



C. Bolm *et al.* *Chem. Eur. J.* **2007**, *13*, 4710.

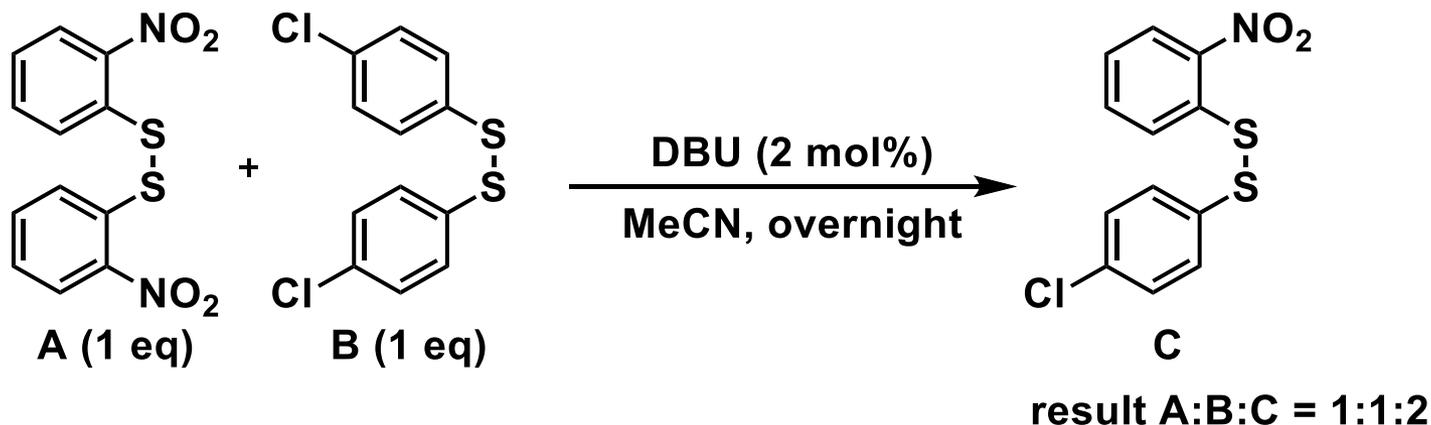
Comparison with Solution-based reaction



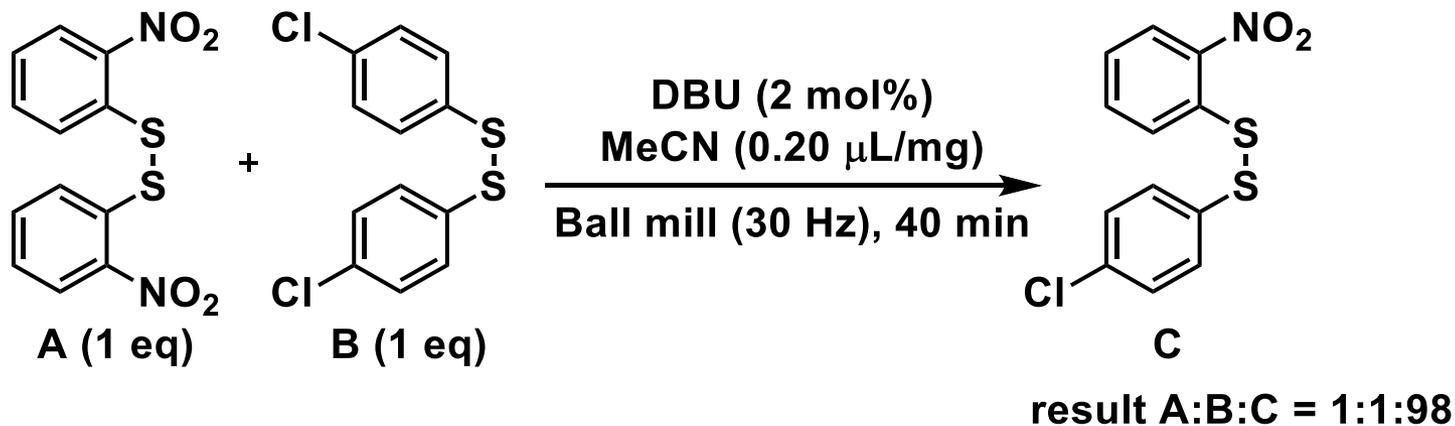
P. M. Pihko *et al.* *Synlett*, **2004**, 1891.

2. Selectivity Enhancement

Solution-based reaction

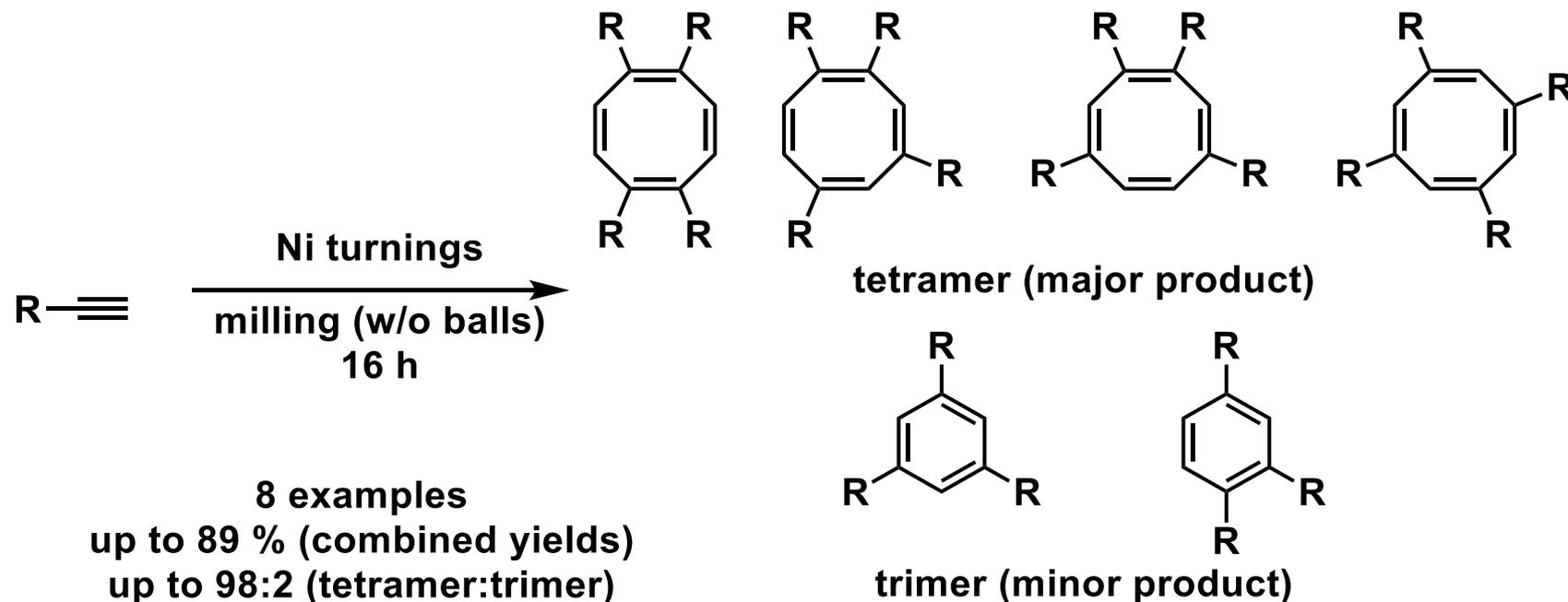


Mechanochemical reaction



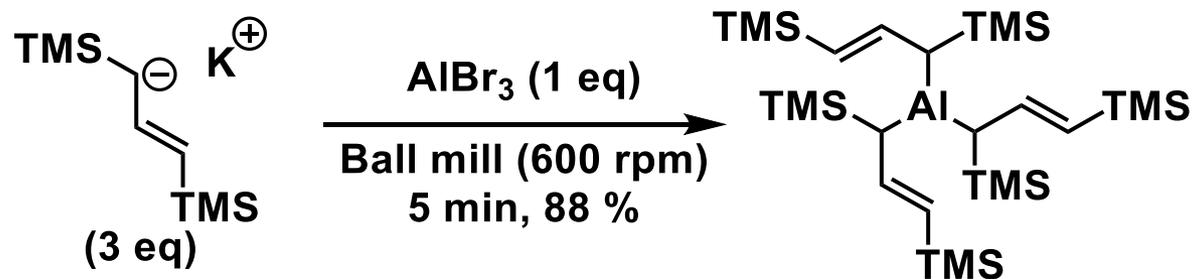
3. Different Products from Solution-based Reaction

✓ Different reactivity



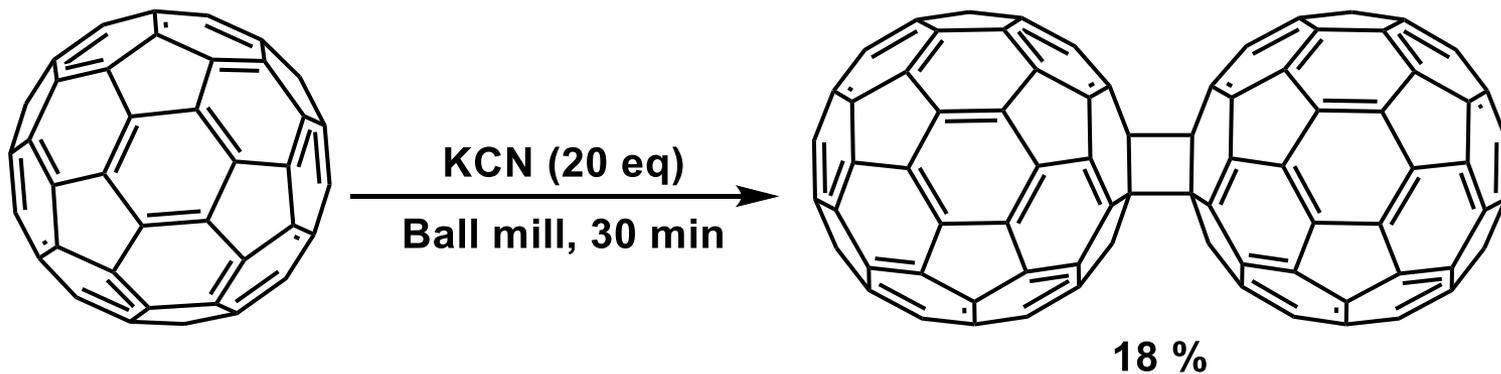
H. Guan, J. Mack *et al.* *ACS Sustainable Chem. Eng.* **2016**, *4*, 2464.

✓ Solvent-sensitive products

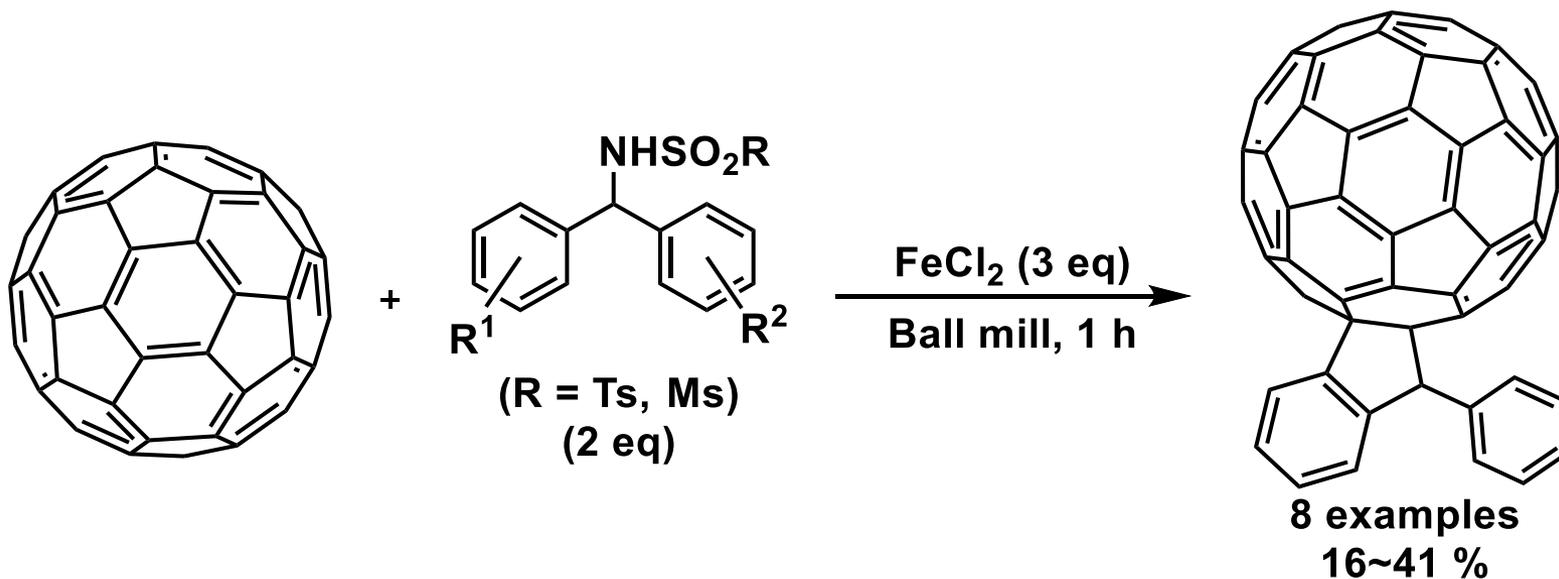


T. P. Hanusa *et al.* *Organometallics*, **2014**, *33*, 5952.

Application: Functionalization of Low Solubility Materials



K. Komatsu *et al.* *Nature*, **1997**, *387*, 583.



Y.-T. Su, G.-W. Wang, *Org. Lett.* **2013**, *15*, 3408.

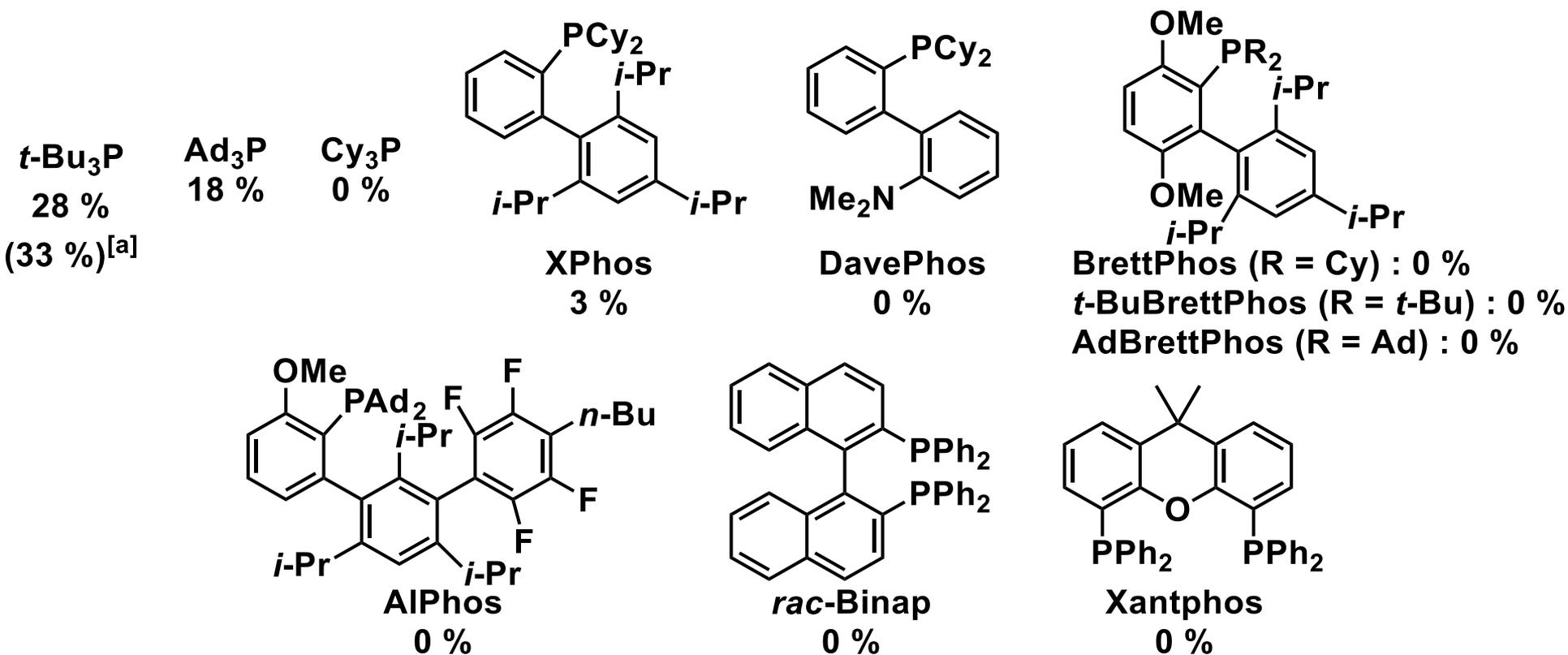
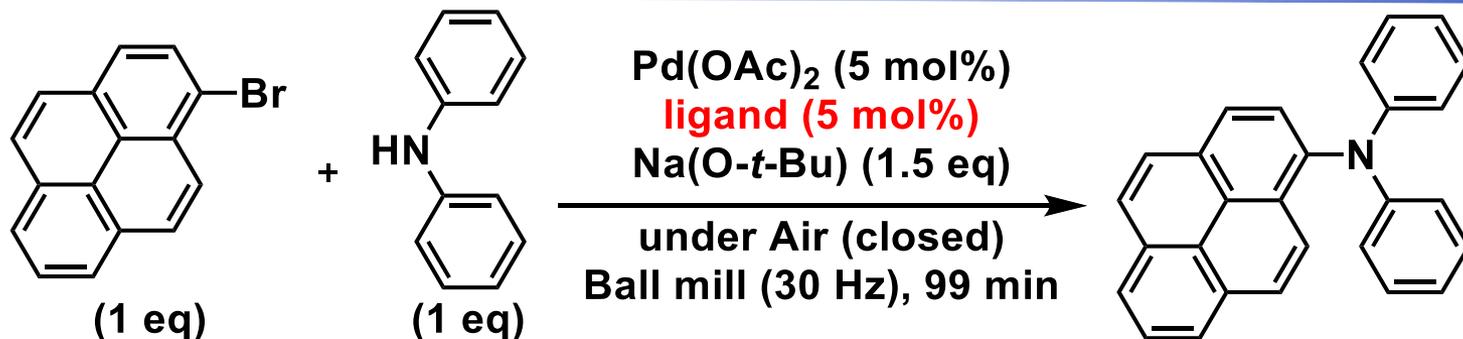
Summary of Section 2

- Various kinds of organic reactions are performed using a ball mill.
- Improve and change the reactivity
 1. *Time saving*
 2. *Selectivity enhancement*
 3. *Different products from solution-based reactions*

3. Recent Examples

Cross-Coupling Reaction

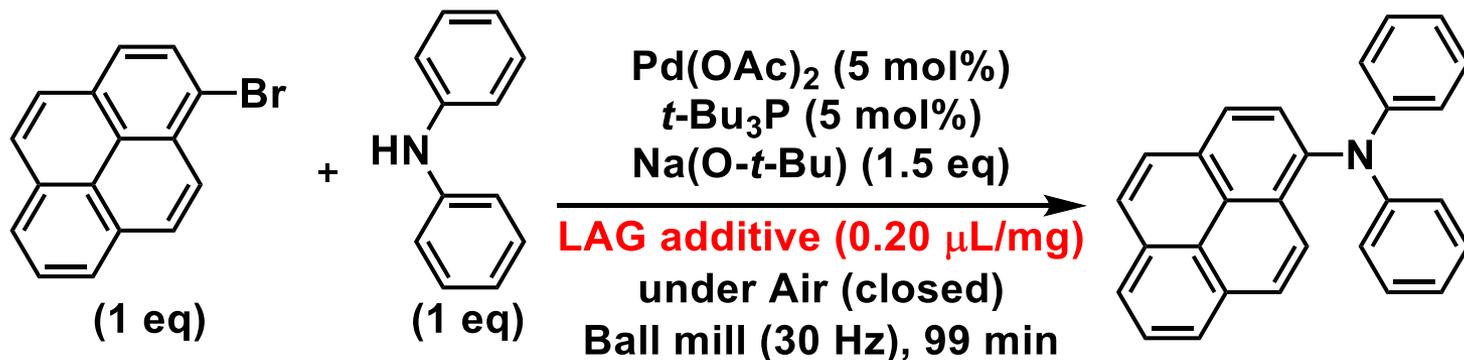
Screening of Ligand



[a] 10 mol% of Pd(OAc)_2 and ligand was used.

H. Ito *et al.* *Nat. Commun.* 2019, 10, 111.

Screening of LAG Additives



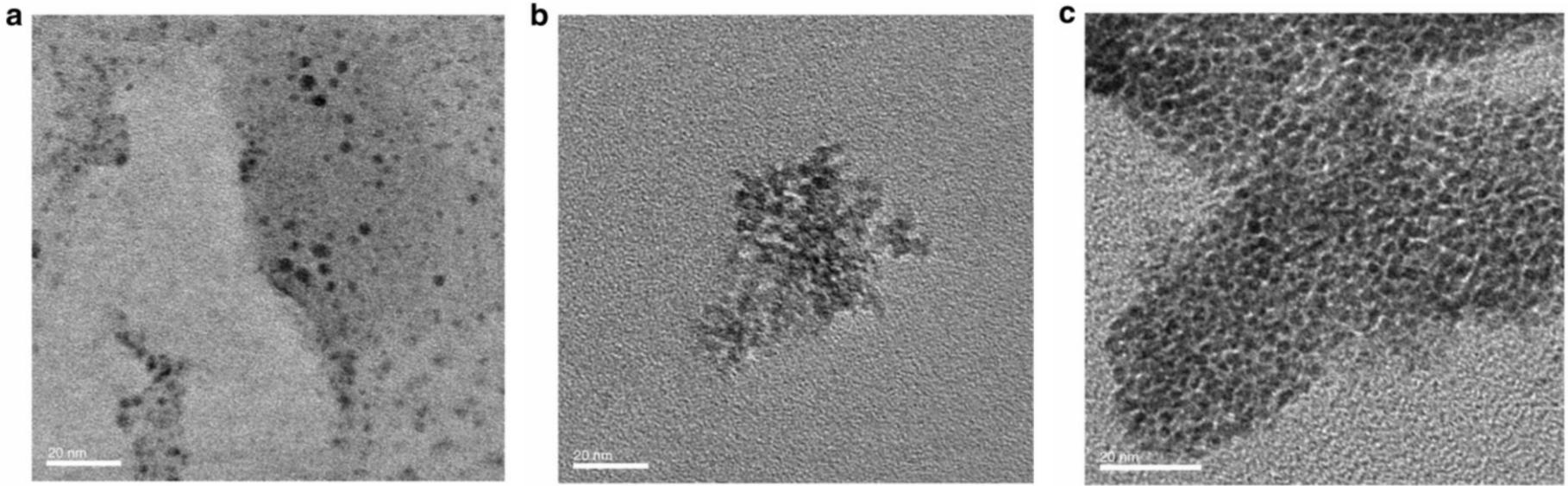
entry	LAG additives	TM(%)
1	none	28
2	toluene	48 (37) ^[a]
3	benzene	20
4	THF	55
5	MeCN	10
6	DMSO	0
7	hexane	16
8	cyclohexane	54
9	cyclooctane	46

[a] Toluene (0.13 μL/mg) was used.

entry	LAG additives	TM(%)
10	1,5-cod	99
11	cyclooctene	96
12	1-hexene	98
13	(E)-hex-3-ene	89
14	cyclohexene	92
15	oct-4-yne	66
	<i>n</i> -Pr \equiv <i>n</i> -Pr	
16	norbornadiene	12



Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM)



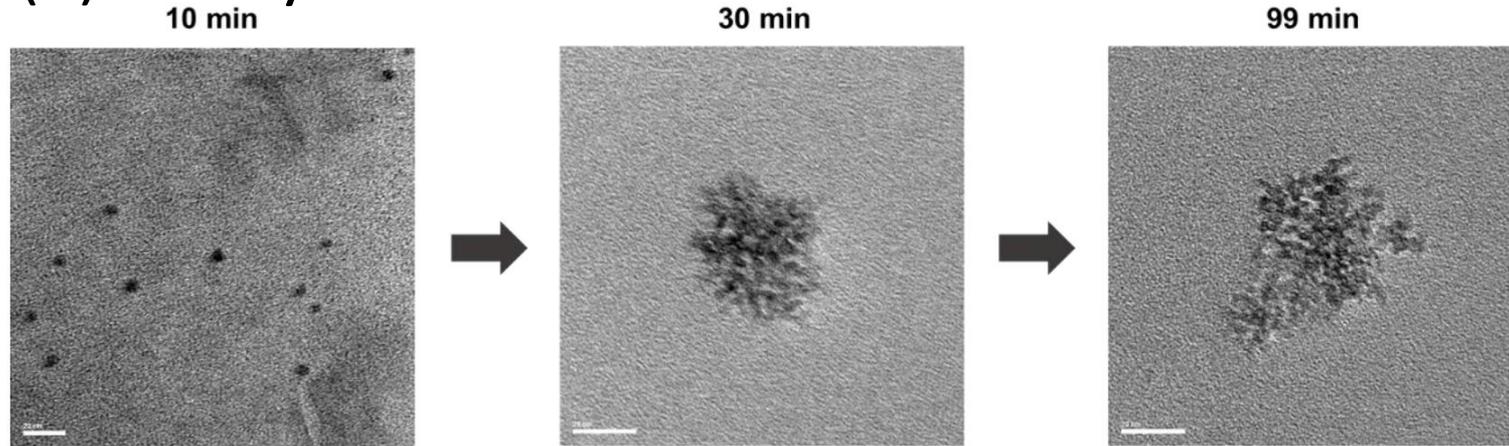
(a) with 1,5-cod (b) with cyclooctane (c) no additives

Palladium nanoparticles in the crude reaction mixture.

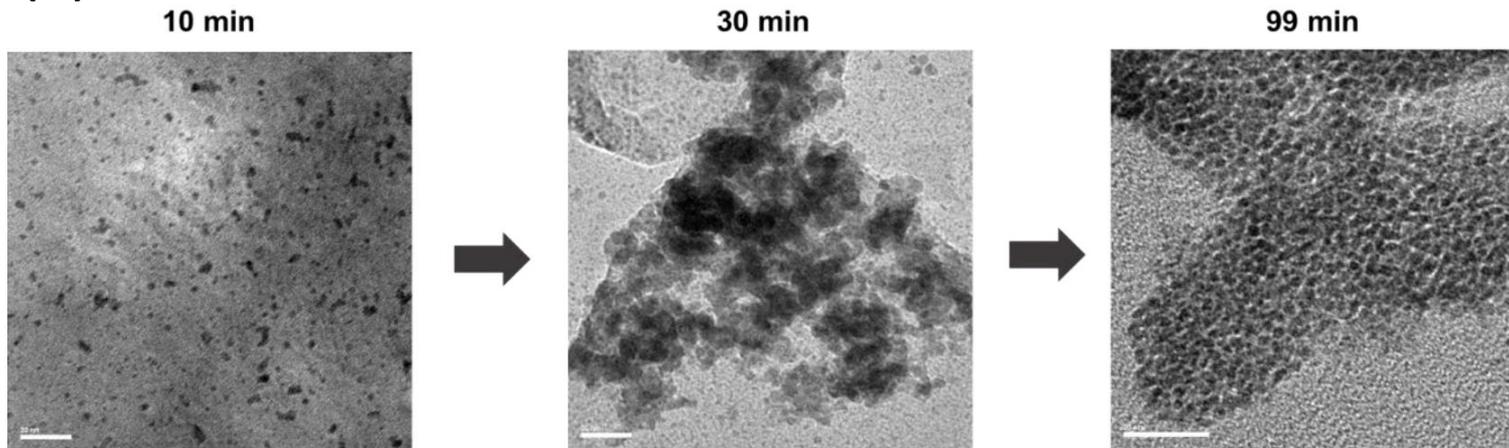
✓ ***1,5-cod suppressed palladium aggregations.***

Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM) (2)

(b) with cyclooctane

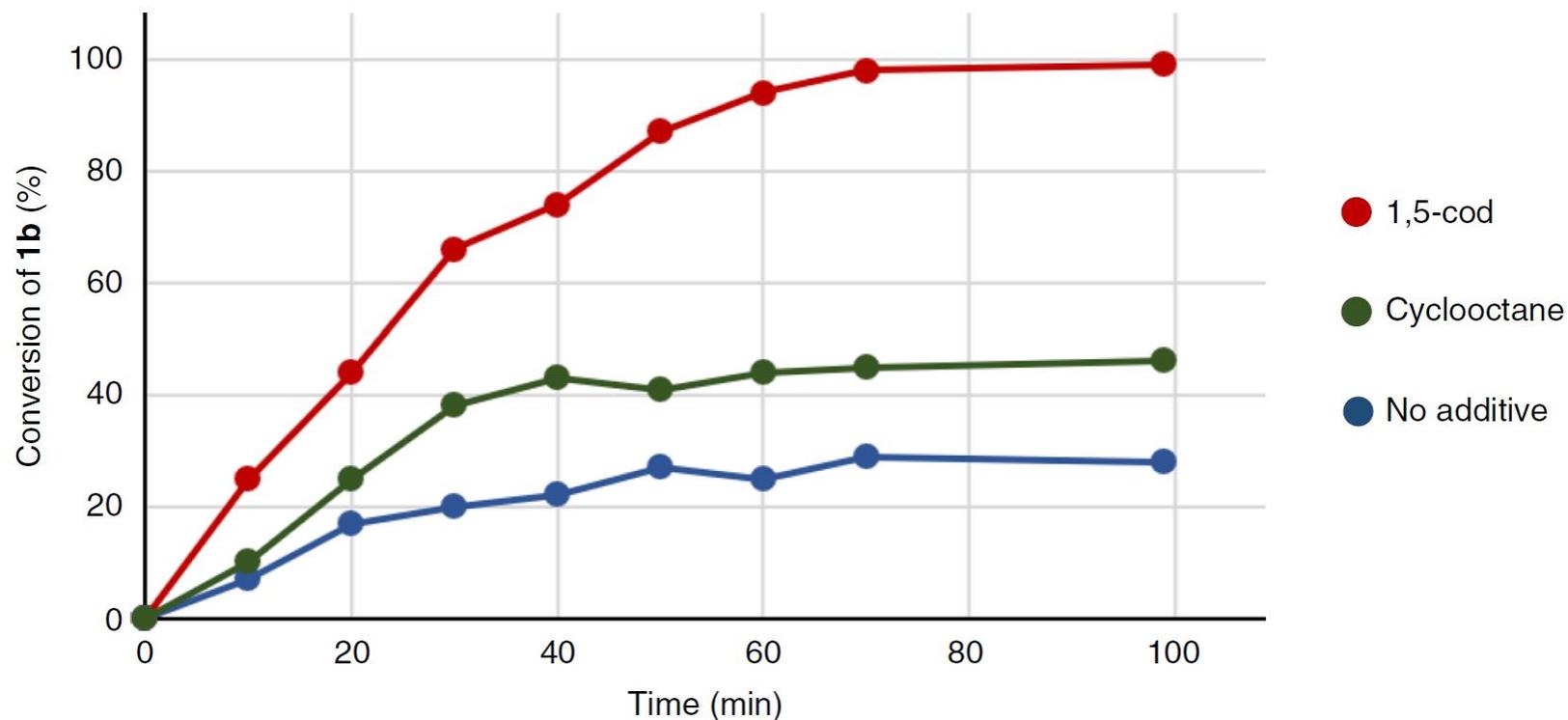


(c) no additives



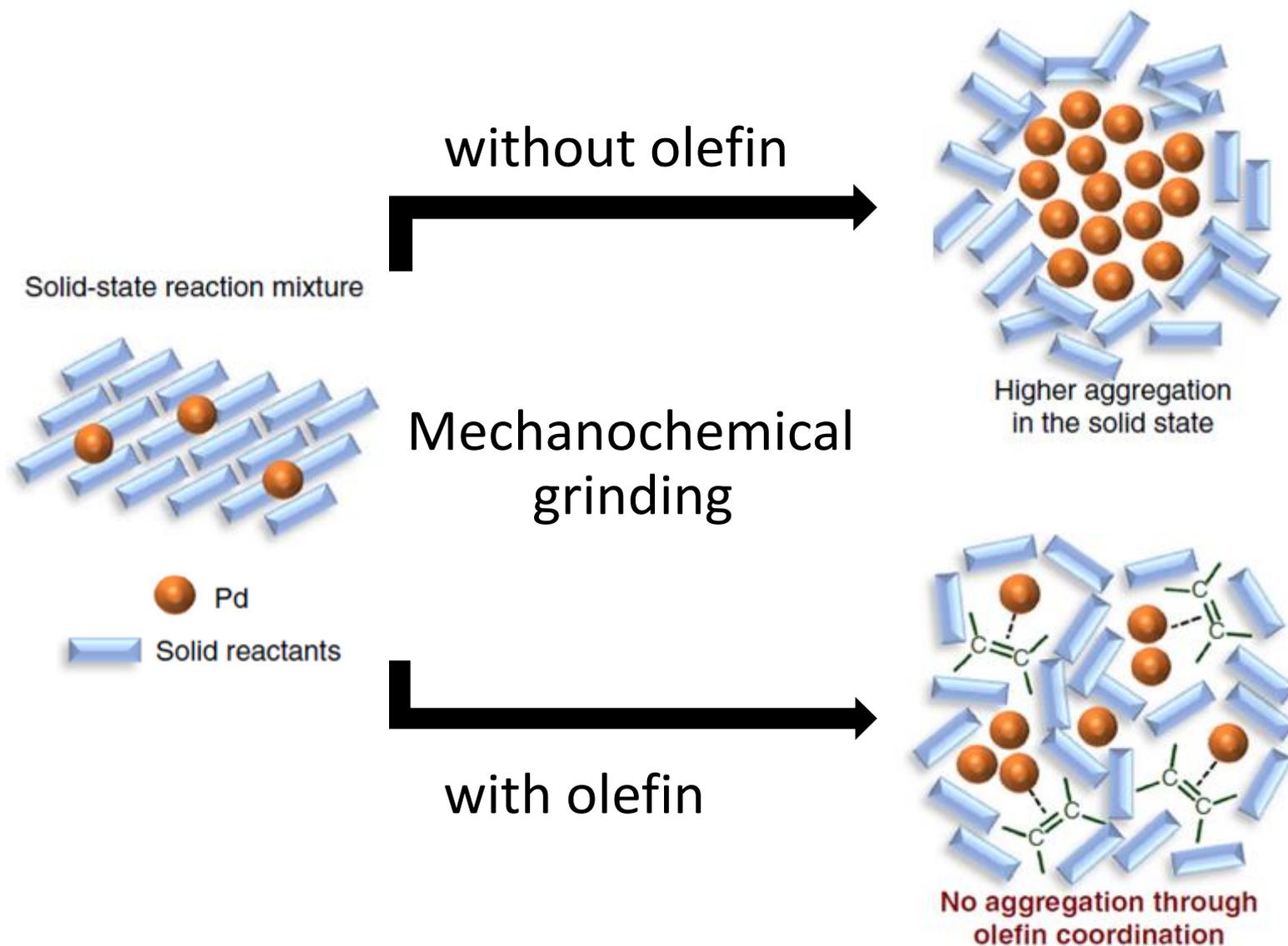
✓ ***Palladium was highly aggregated within 30 mins.***

Kinetic Study

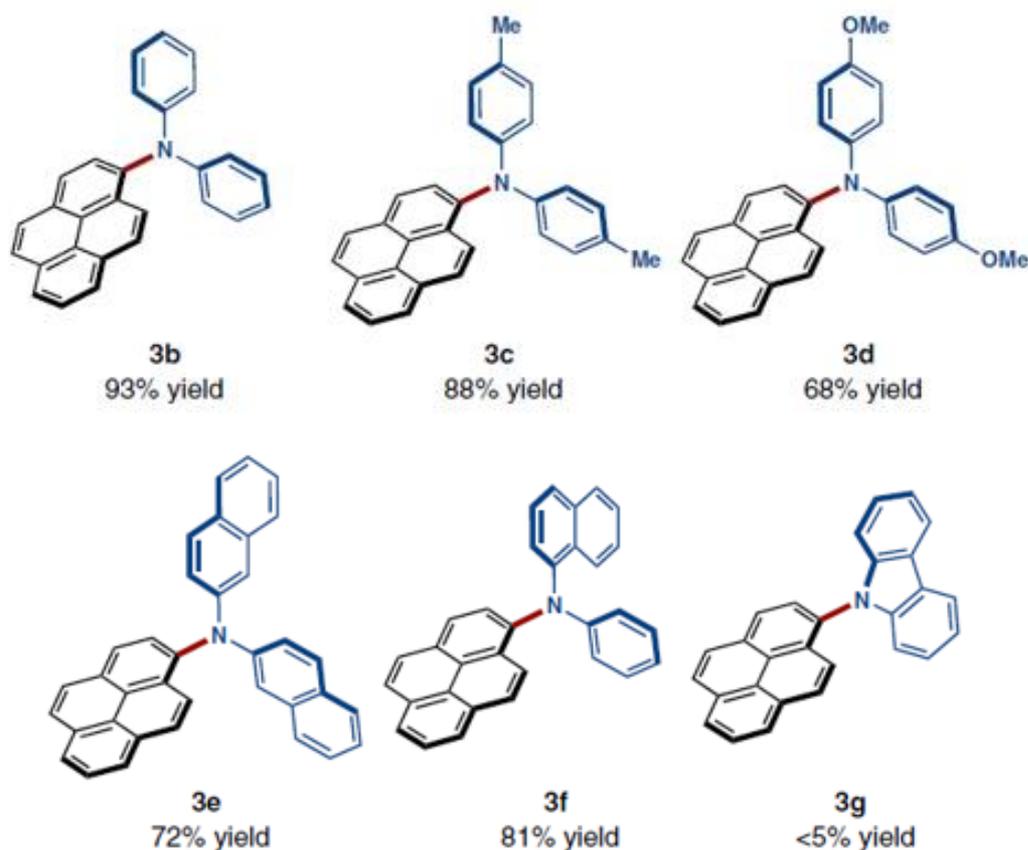
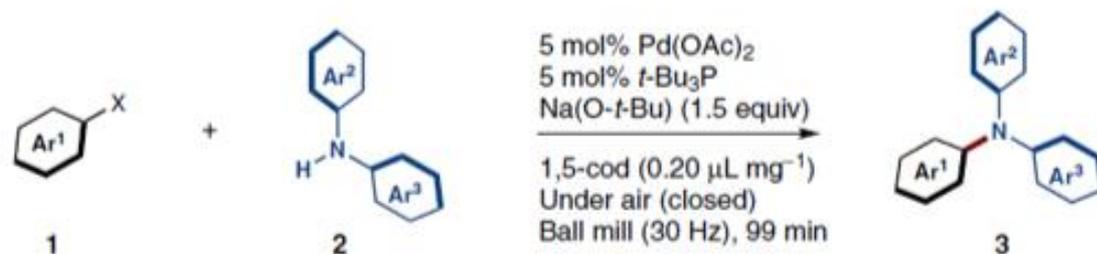


✓ *The reactions stopped after about 30 mins.*

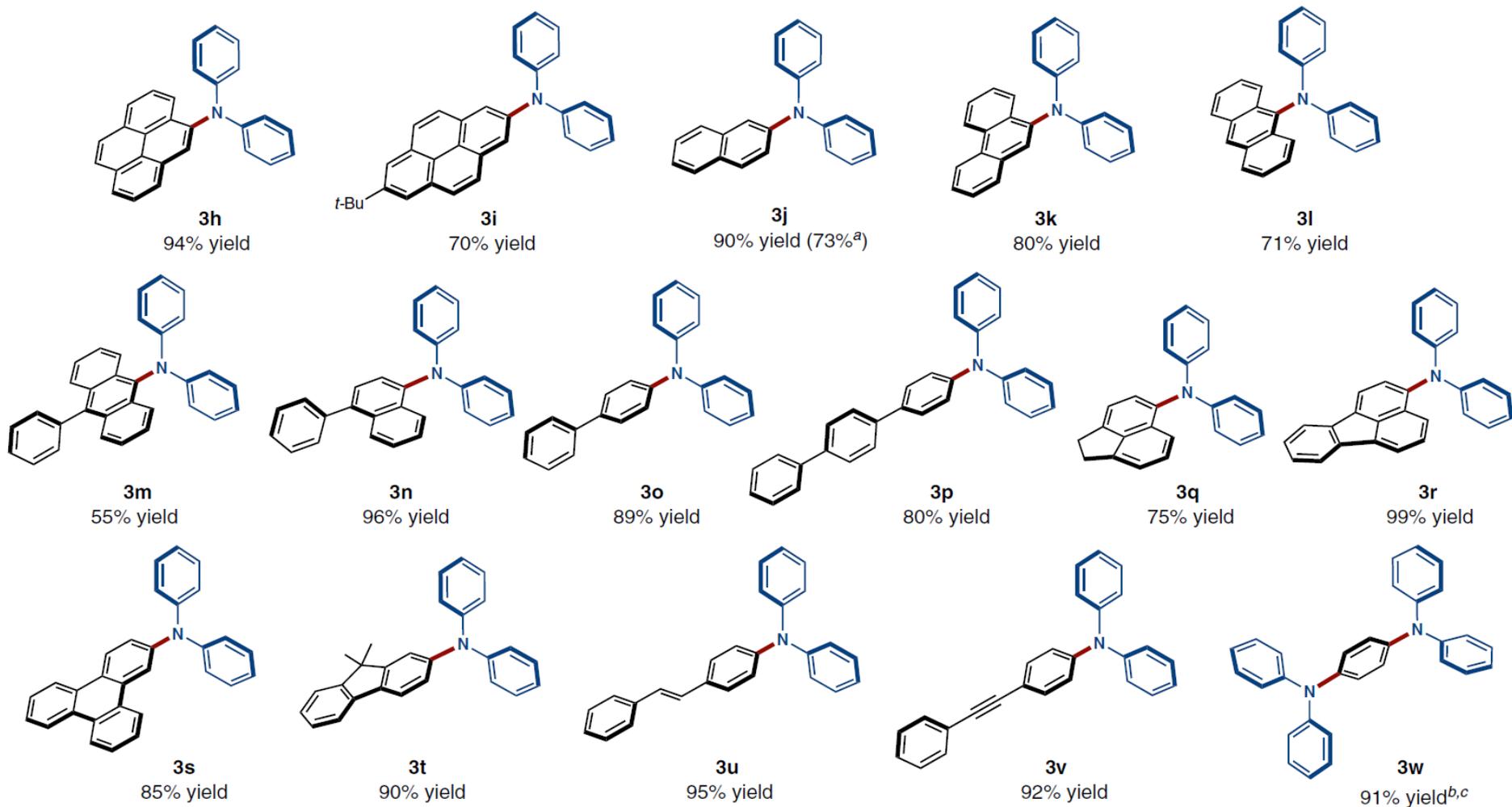
Proposed Acceleration Mechanism



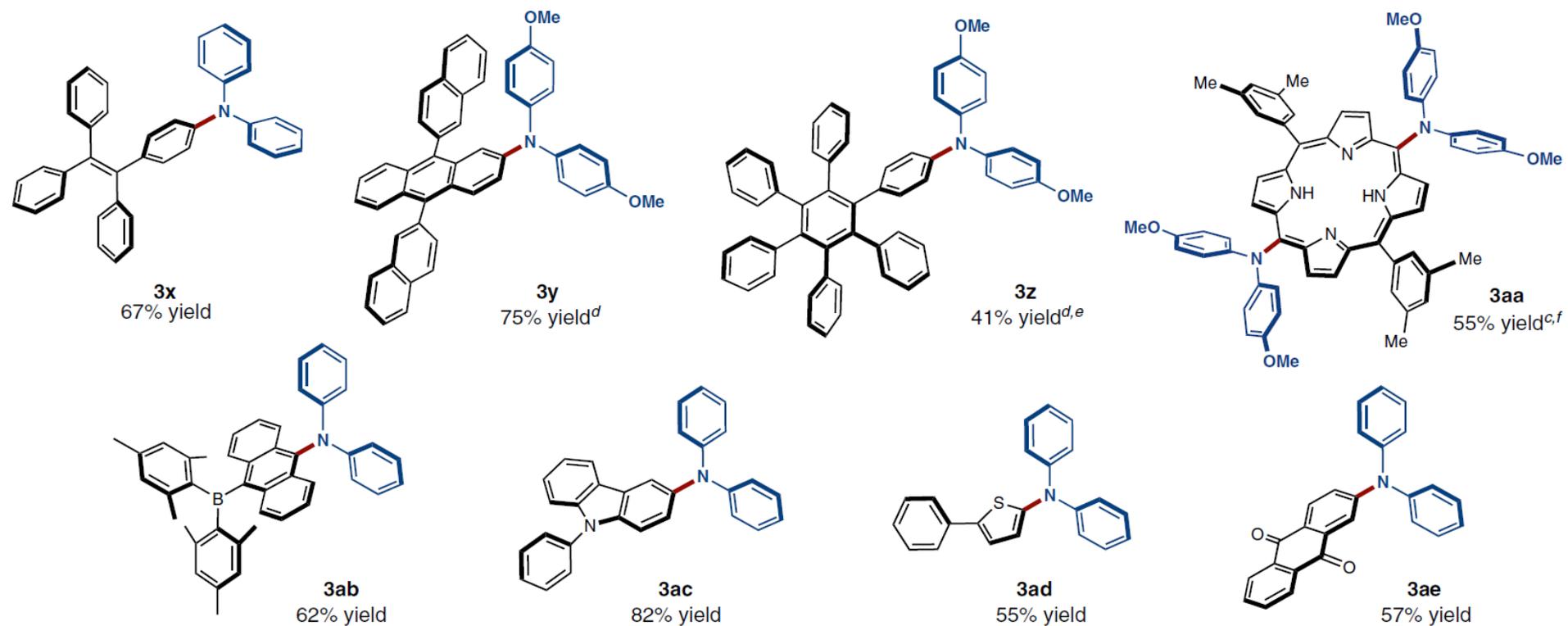
Substrate Scope (Amines)



Substrate Scope (Aryl Halides) (1)



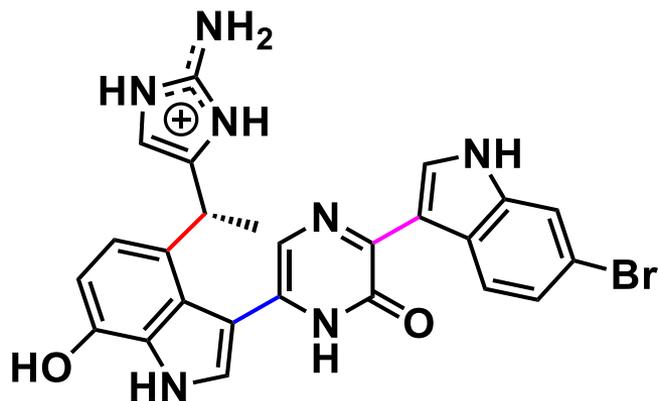
Substrate Scope (Aryl Halides) (2)



C-H Functionalization

The Importance of C-H Functionalization

✓ *New & Shorter Synthetic Route*



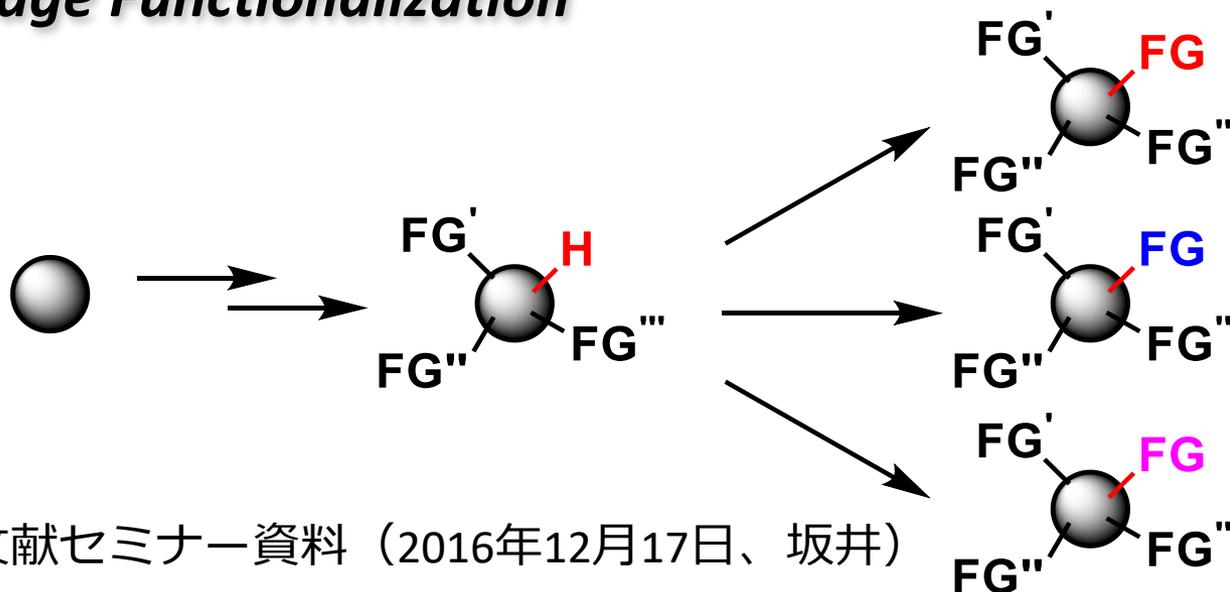
(±)-dragmacidine D

chemist	C-H functionalization	total steps
Itami	yes	15
Stoltz	no	25

K. Itami *et al.* *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2011**, *133*, 19660.

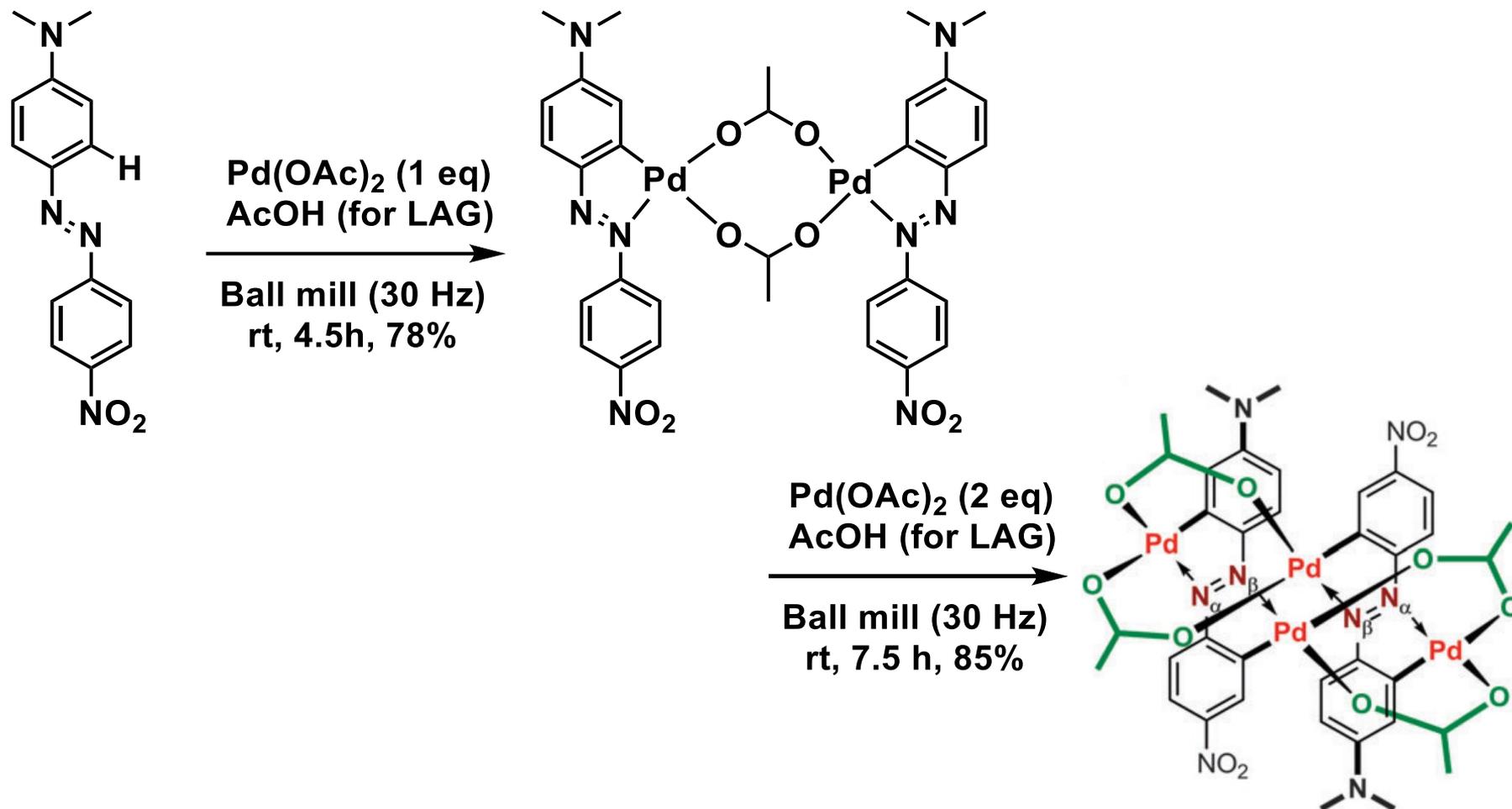
B. M. Stoltz *et al.* *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2002**, *124*, 13179.

✓ *Late-stage Functionalization*



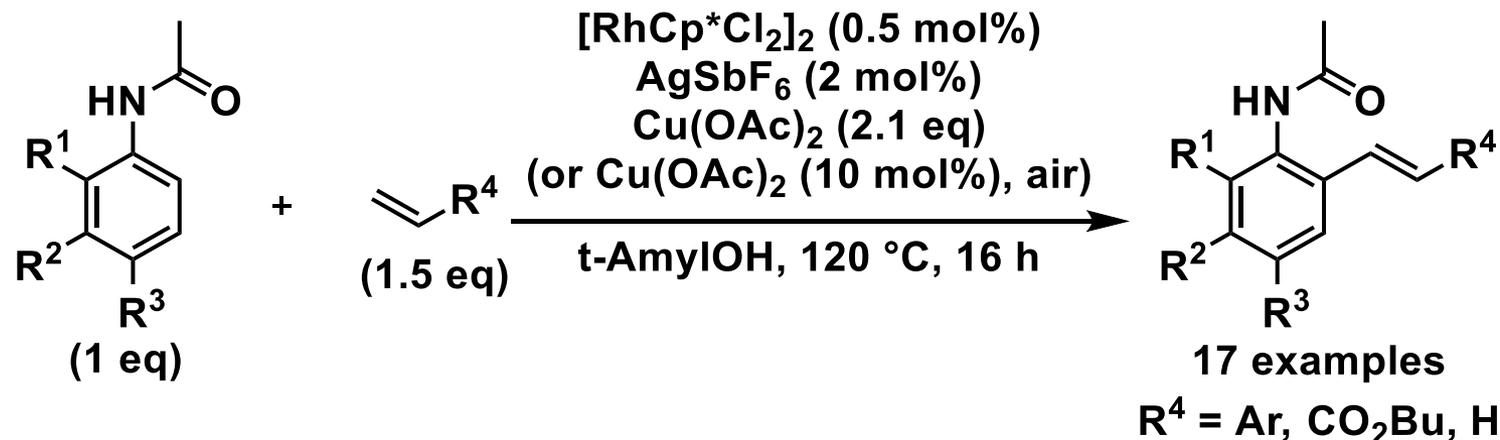
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C-H Activation in Mechanochemistry



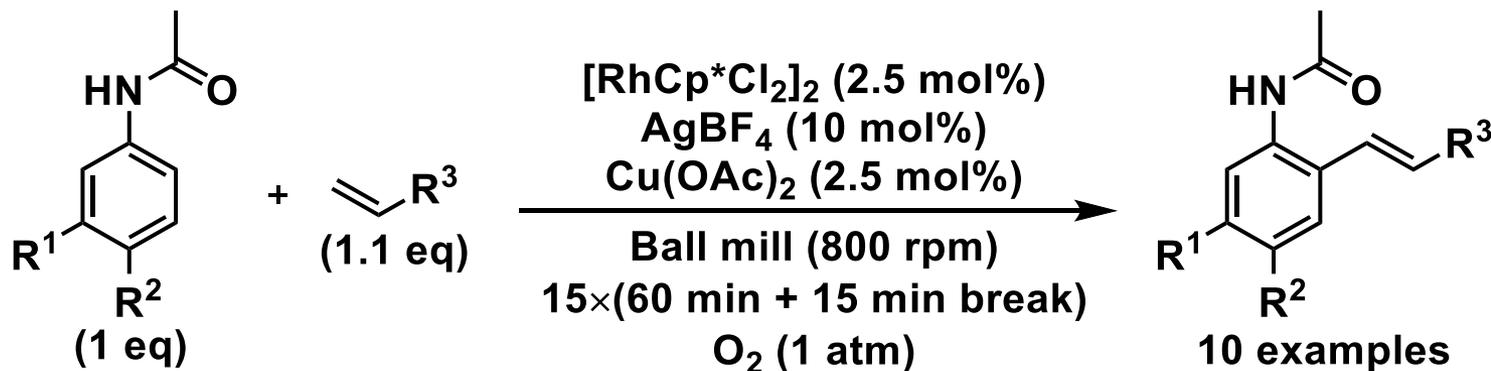
First Example of Catalytic C-H Functionalization

Solution-based reaction



F. Glorius *et al.* *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *132*, 9982.

Mechanochemical reaction



C. Bolm *et al.* *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, *54*, 7414.

Various C-H Functionalization in Mechanochemistry ^{36/44}

Rh

- Olefination (C. Bolm *et al.* *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, *54*, 7414.)
- Halogenation (Br, I) (C. Bolm *et al.* *Chem. Commun.* **2015**, *51*, 12582.)
- alkynylation (C. Bolm *et al.* *Green. Chem.* **2017**, *19*, 2520.)
- amidation (C. Bolm *et al.* *ACS Catal.* **2017**, *7*, 4592.)

Ir

- amidation (C. Bolm *et al.* *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2016**, *55*, 3781.)
- borylation (H. Ito *et al.* *Chem. Eur. J.* **2019**, *25*, 4654.)

Co

- allylation (C. Yu *et al.* *J. Org. Chem.* **2017**, *82*, 10665.)
- amidation (C. Bolm *et al.* *Adv. Synth. Catal.* **2018**, *360*, 1800.)

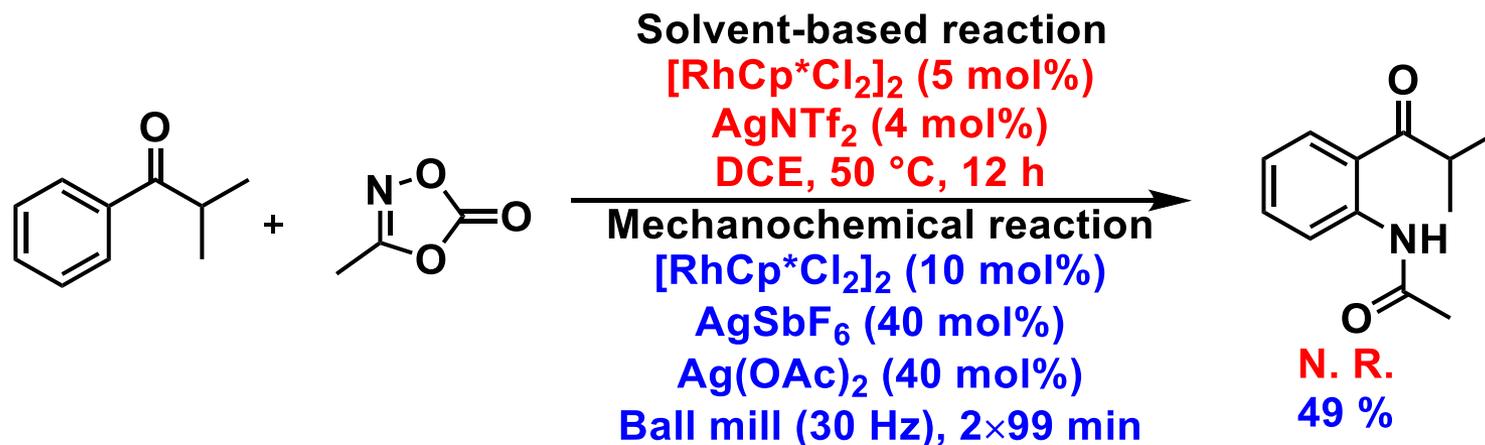
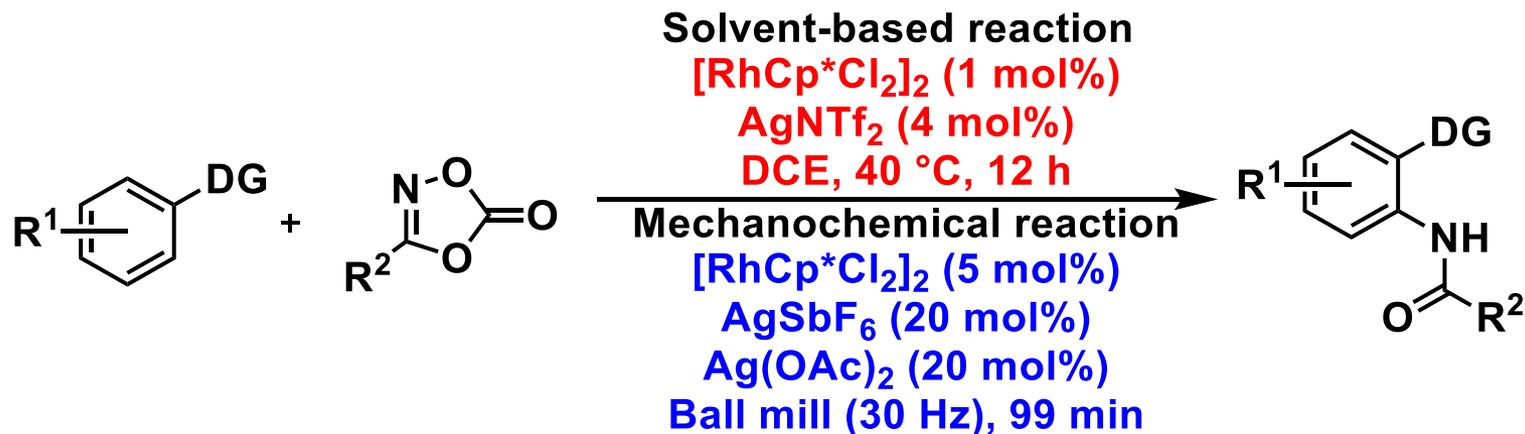
Pd

- arylation (D.-Q. Xu *et al.* *ACS Catal.* **2016**, *6*, 3890.)
- C-H/C-H oxidative coupling (W.-K. Su *et al.* *J. Org. Chem.* **2016**, *81*, 6049.)

Au

- alkynylation (C. Bolm *et al.* *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2018**, *57*, 10723.)

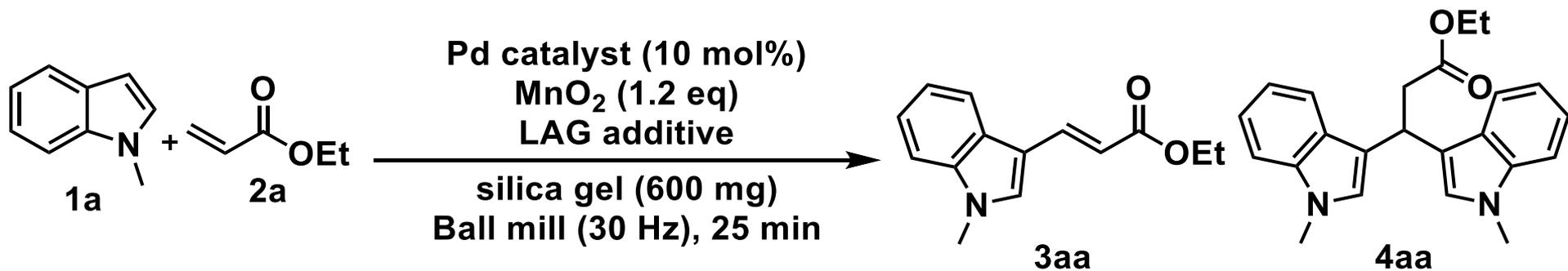
1. Weakly Coordinating DG Can Work



S. Chang *et al.* *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 4534.

C. Bolm *et al.* *ACS Catal.* **2017**, *7*, 4592.

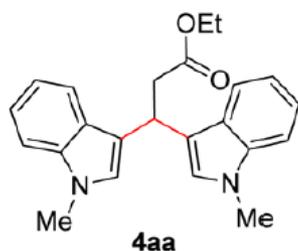
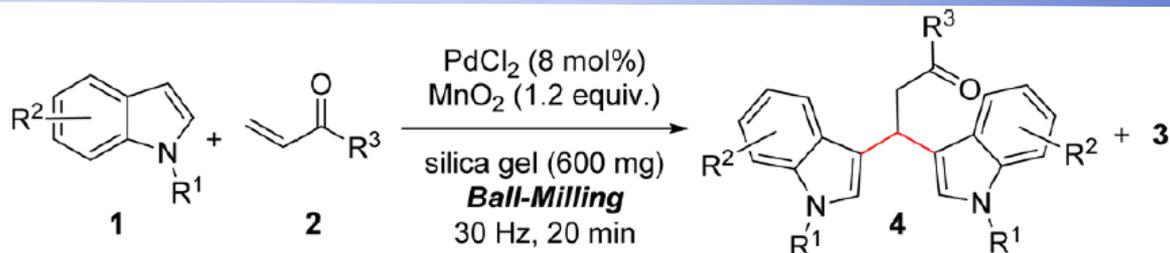
2. Solvent Sensitive Metal Intermediate



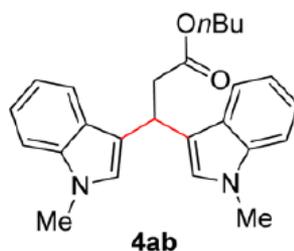
entry	Pd catalyst	LAG additives	3aa(%)	4aa(%)	
1	Pd(OAc) ₂	none	61	-	
2	Pd(OAc) ₂	AcOH ($\eta = 0.17$)	83	-	condition A
3	Pd(TFA) ₂	none	31	-	
4	PdCl ₂	AcOH ($\eta = 0.17$)	15	68	
5	PdI ₂	AcOH ($\eta = 0.17$)	20	65	
6	PdCl ₂	none	11	78	
7	PdI ₂	none	12	75	
8 ^[a]	PdCl ₂	none	9	78	condition B

[a] 8 mol% of Pd catalyst was used.

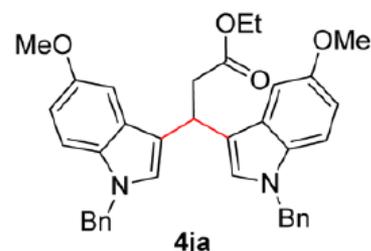
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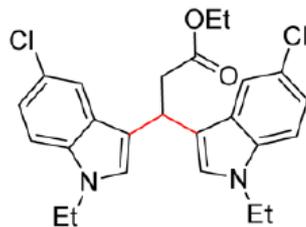
87% (**4aa:3aa** = 90:10)
42%^c (**4aa:3aa** = 0:100)



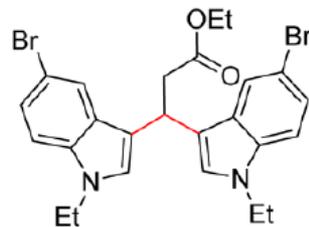
82% (**4ab:3ab** = 88:12)



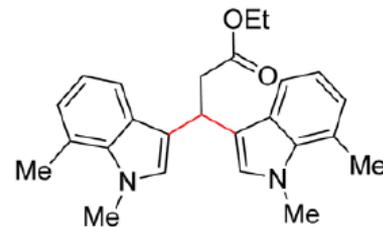
76% (**4ja:3ja** = 87:13)
30%^c (**4ja:3ja** = 0:100)



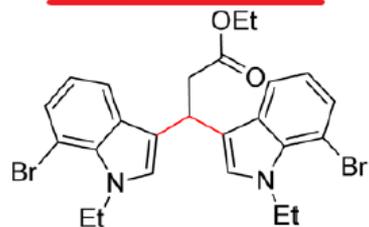
69% (**4ka:3ka** = 87:13)
35%^c (**4ka:3ka** = 0:100)



74% (**4la:3la** = 85:15)



79% (**4ma:3ma** = 85:15)



76% (**4na:3na** = 87:13)

[c] comparative experiments in DMF at 100 °C, overnight

W.-K. Su *et al.* *J. Org. Chem.* **2016**, *81*, 6049.

2. Solvent Sensitive Metal Intermediate (3)

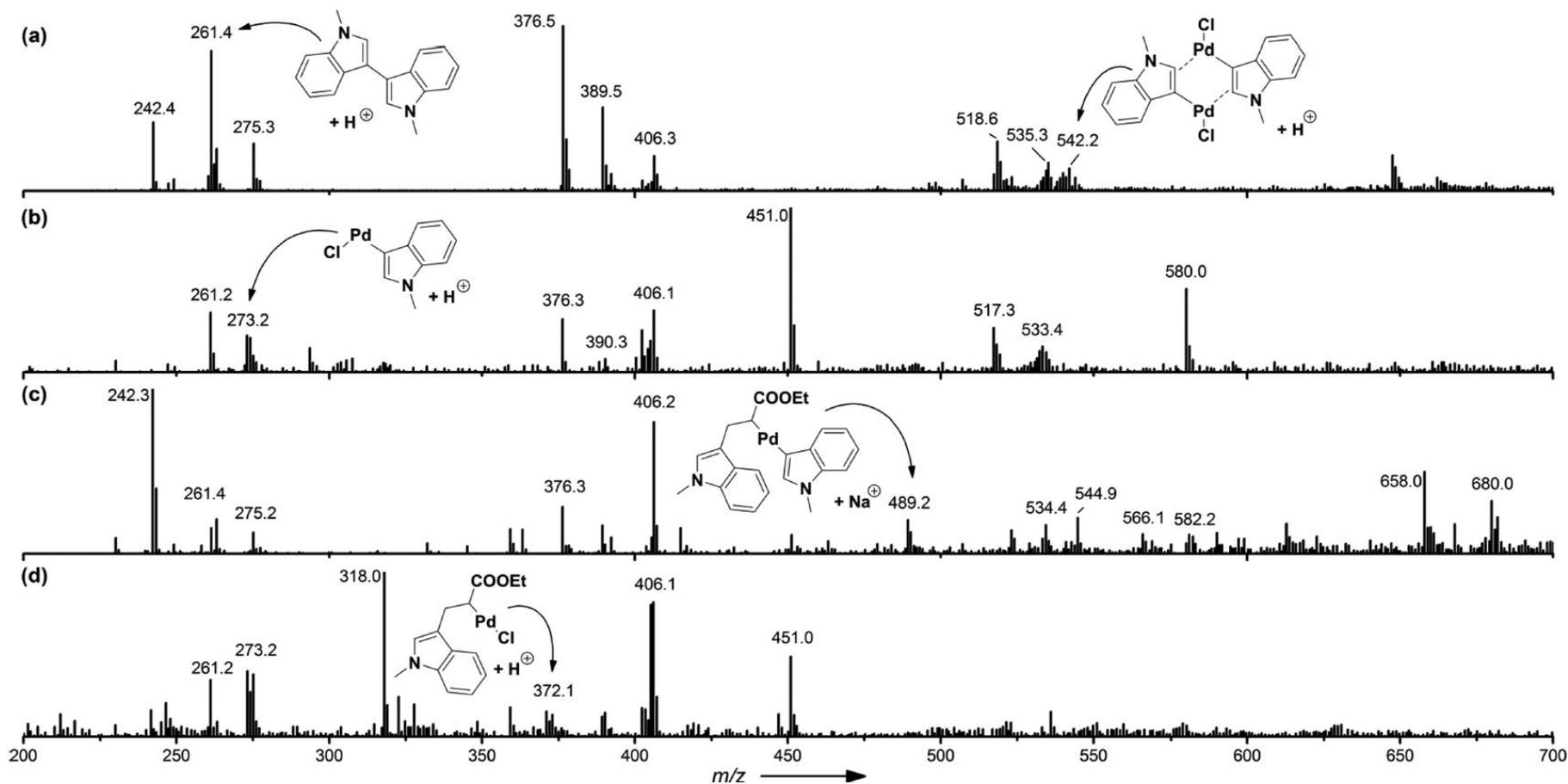
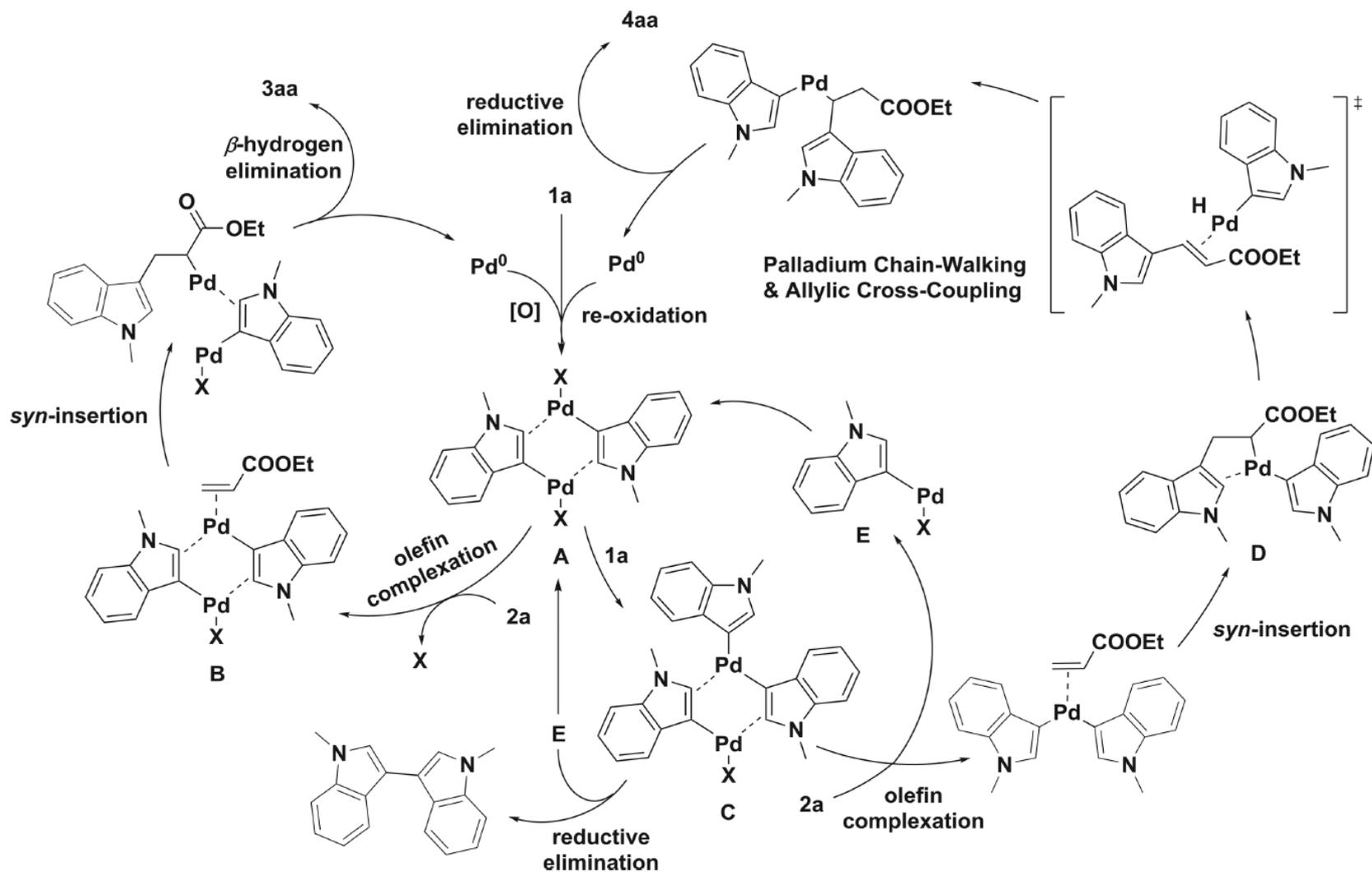


Figure 1. ESI-MS spectra of PdCl₂-catalyzed reactions: (a) PdCl₂ with 1a with 30 Hz grinding for 30 s; (b) PdCl₂ with 1a in DMF refluxed for 30 min; (c) PdCl₂ with 1a and 2a with 30 Hz grinding for 30 s; (d) PdCl₂ with 1a and 2a in DMF refluxed for 30 min.

✓ m/z 542.2 cluster assigned as $[Pd_2(1a-H)_2(Cl)_2+H]^+$.

2. Solvent Sensitive Metal Intermediate (4)

Proposed Mechanism of HSBM-Promoted Selective Synthesis of 3-Vinylindoles and β,β -Diindolyl Propionate



Summary of Section 3

- Transition metal catalyzed cross coupling reactions between solid reactants were realized by using ball milling.
- Transition metal catalyzed C-H functionalization have been reported since 2015.
- Most of the cross coupling reaction and C-H functionalization in mechanochemistry were already realized in solution reaction.
- In mechanochemistry, it is possible to form and utilize a metal complex which is unstable to solvents.

4. Summary

Summary of Today's Literature Seminar

- Mechanochemical reactions have been studied for organic synthesis mainly in the last few decades.
- Ball mills are usually used in mechanochemistry.
- Various kinds of organic reactions such as Wittig reaction, cross-coupling, C-H functionalization have been realized in mechanochemical conditions.
- There are also some advantages in terms of reactivity.
- Mechanistic studies will lead to further progress.