

# Studies on Heck and Suzuki Reactions Catalyzed by Palladium(0) and Wacker- Type Oxidative Cyclization Catalyzed by Palladium(II)

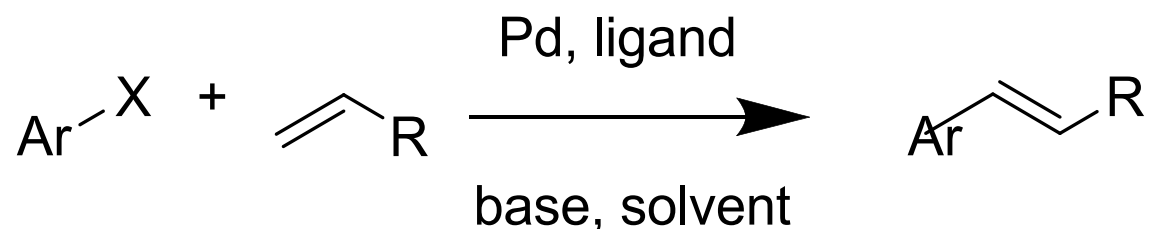
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Part One: Palladium(0)-Catalyzed Heck Reaction and Suzuki Reaction

Part Two: Palladium(II)-Catalyzed Wacker Oxidative Cyclization to Construct Chromanone, Quinoline and Pyrrole

## Section One: Heck reaction in aqueous mediums and its selectivity

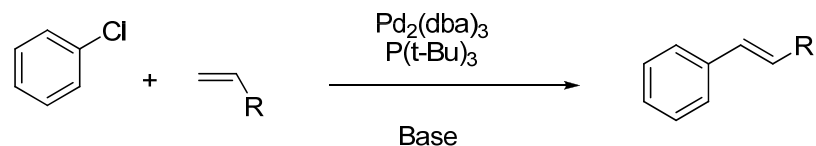
Scheme 1. Heck reaction



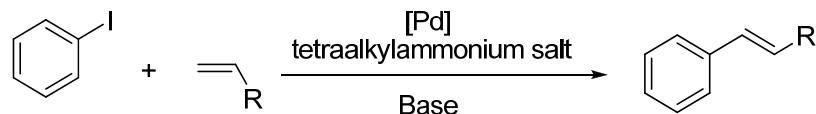
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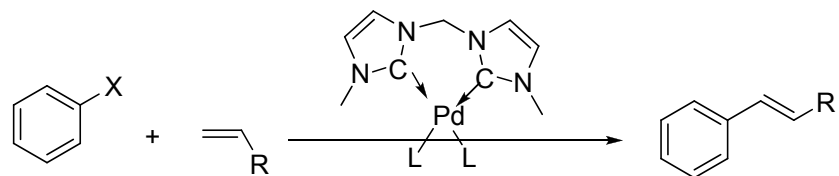
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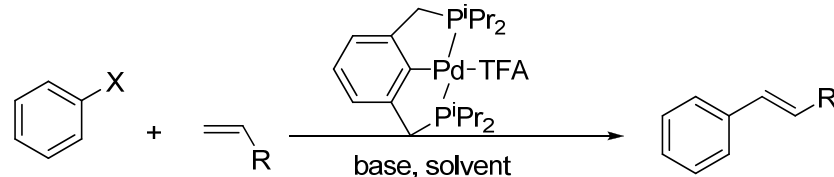
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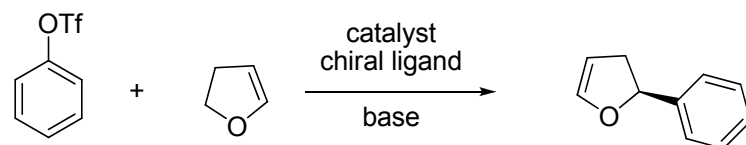
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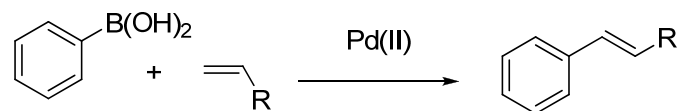
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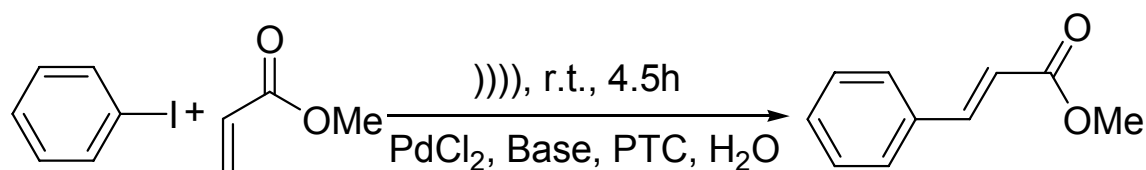


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## Our Approach:

- 1) Choose water as solvent;
- 2) Room temperature;
- 3) Ultrasonic irradiation, in situ formed nano-palladium
- 4) Regioselectivity

**Table 1. Optimization of base and PTC for Heck reaction of iodobenzene and Methyl Acrylate<sup>a</sup>**



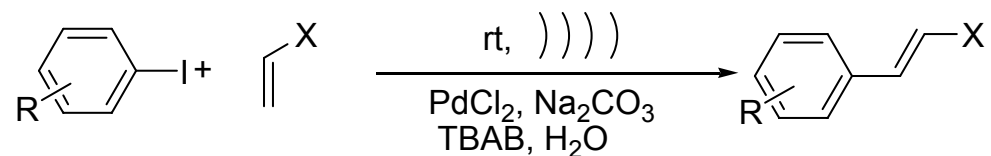
| entry | base                            | PTC               | yield(%) <sup>b</sup> |
|-------|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1     | Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> | TBAB              | 86                    |
| 2     | Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> | TEAB <sup>c</sup> | trace                 |
| 3     | Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> | TMAI <sup>d</sup> | trace                 |
| 4     | Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> | TEAI <sup>e</sup> | trace                 |
| 5     | NaOH                            | TBAB              | 53                    |
| 6     | Et <sub>3</sub> N               | TBAB              | 67                    |
| 7     | NaOAc                           | TBAB              | 40                    |

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: iodobenzene (1 mmol), methyl acrylate (2 mmol), phase transfer catalyst (PTC) (1 mmol), base (3 mmol) and PdCl<sub>2</sub> (0.02 mmol) in 3 ml of water, the mixtures was sonicated at ambient temperature (25 °C) in running water bath for 4.5h.

<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup> TEAB is tetraethylammonium bromide. <sup>d</sup> TMAI is tetramethylammonium iodide. <sup>e</sup> TEAI is tetraethylammonium iodide.

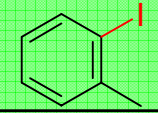
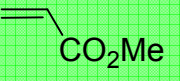
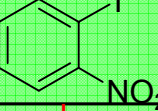
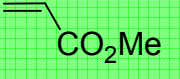
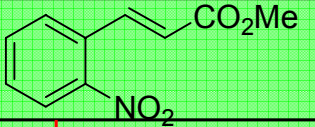

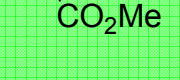
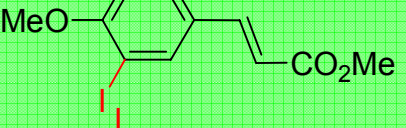
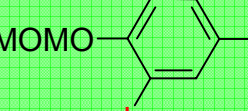
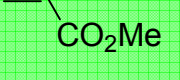
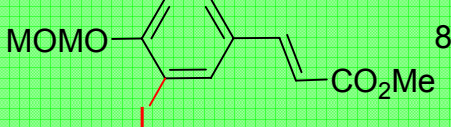
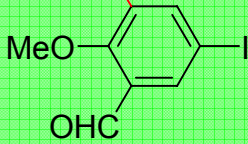
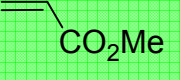
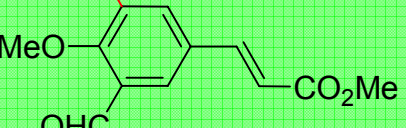
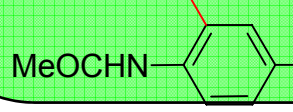
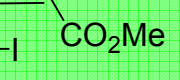
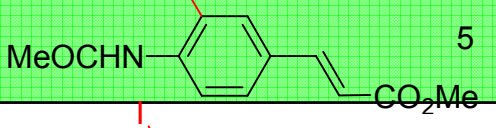
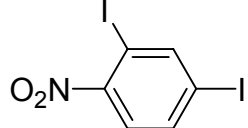
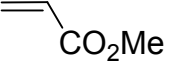
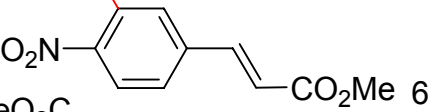
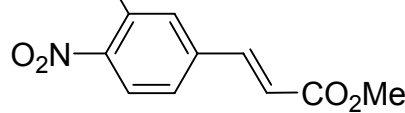
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Table 2. Heck reaction promoted by ultrasonic aqueous media



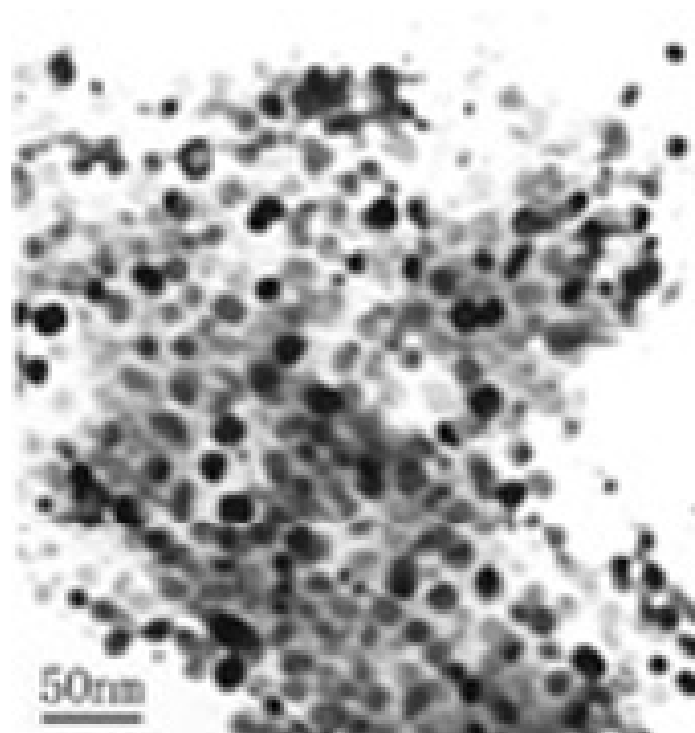
| entry | ArX | alkene | product | time(h) | yield(%) |
|-------|-----|--------|---------|---------|----------|
| 1     |     |        |         | 4.5     | 86       |
| 2     |     |        |         | 4.5     | 82       |
| 3     |     |        |         | 5       | 83       |
| 4     |     |        |         | 5       | 78       |
| 5     |     |        |         | 5       | 75       |
| 6     |     |        |         | 6       | 76       |
| 7     |     |        |         | 12      | 43       |
| 8     |     |        |         | 4.5     | 93       |
| 9     |     |        |         | 5.5     | 90       |

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| entry | ArX   | alkene  | product  | time(h) | yield(%) |
|-------|---|---|--|---------|----------|
| 10    |    |    | —  | 4       | —        |
| 11    |    |    |    | 4       | 55       |
| 12    |    |    |    | 8       | 68       |
| 13    |    |    |    | 8       | 76       |
| 14    |   |    |    | 8       | 70       |
| 15    |  |  |  | 5       | 75       |
| 16    |  |  |  | 6       | 43       |
|       |   |   |  |         | 20       |

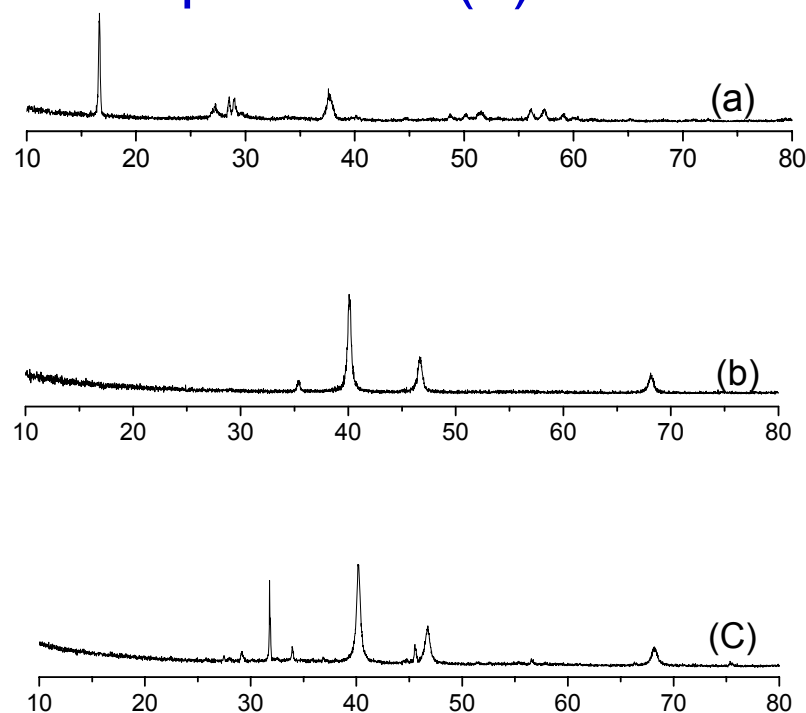


Study the catalyst for the reaction



**Figure 1.** TEM image of Pd nano-particles formed under ultrasound

## Study the formation of palladium(0)



Olefin as a reducer for the formation of Pd(0)

**Figure 2. (a)** XRD pattern of PdCl<sub>2</sub> (0.1mmol), TBAB (1mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>O (3ml) under ultrasonic irradiation for 30 min;

**(b)** XRD pattern of PdCl<sub>2</sub> (0.1mmol), TBAB (1mmol), methyl acrylate (2mmol) and H<sub>2</sub>O (3ml) under ultrasonic irradiation for 30 min;

**(c)** XRD pattern of the reaction system (1mmol iodobenzene, 2 mmol methyl acrylate, 0.02 mmol PdCl<sub>2</sub>, 3 mmol Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> and 1 mmol TBAB in 3 ml of water) under ultrasonic irradiation for 30 min.

## Section Two: Diatomite-supported palladium nanoparticles catalyzed Heck and Suzuki reactions

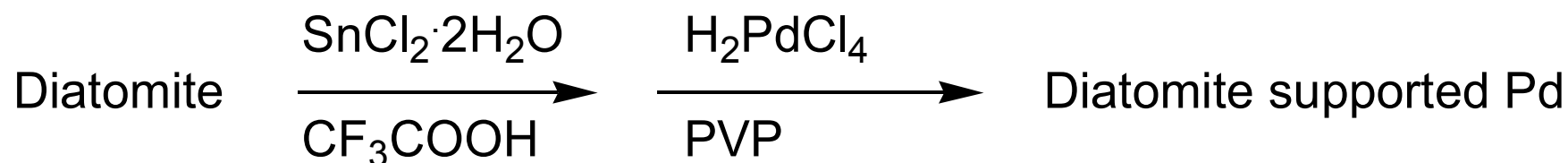
Homogeneous palladium catalysis

Advantages: high reaction rate, high turnover numbers (TON), high yields and the Pd catalysts can be tuned by ligands.

Disadvantages: the lack of reuse of the catalyst, a loss of expensive metal and ligands and to impurities in the products and the need to remove residual metals

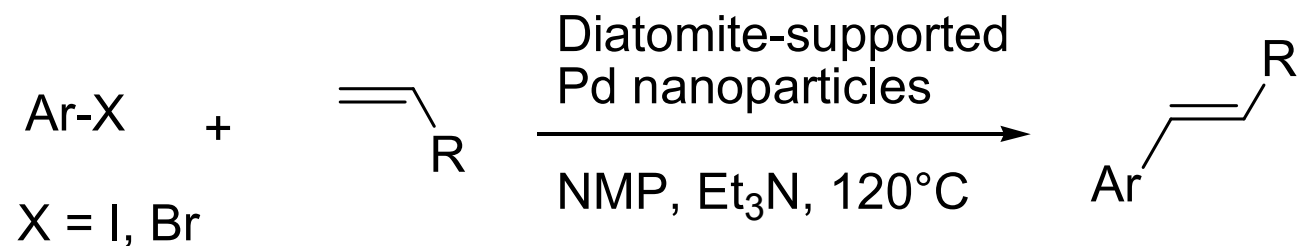
*Diatomite, a type of widespread natural porous material, was first reported by us as a suitable template to supported palladium nanoparticles*

Scheme 2. Preparation of diatomite-supported palladium nanoparticles



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Scheme 3. Heck reaction of aryl halides with olefins with heterogeneous palladium



Scheme 4. Suzuki reaction of aryl halides with olefins with heterogeneous palladium

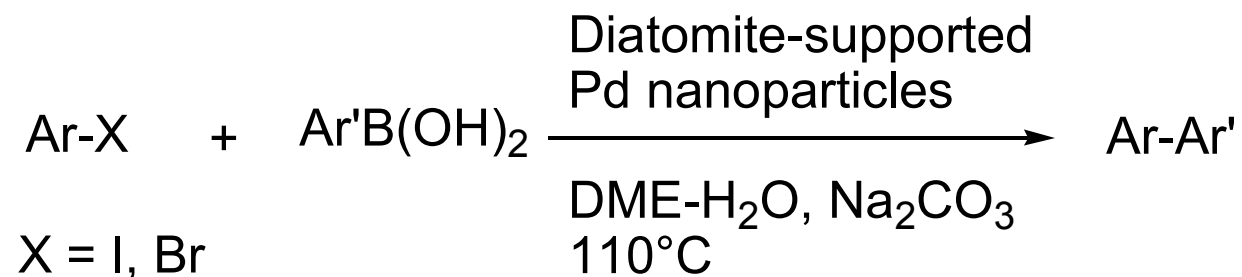
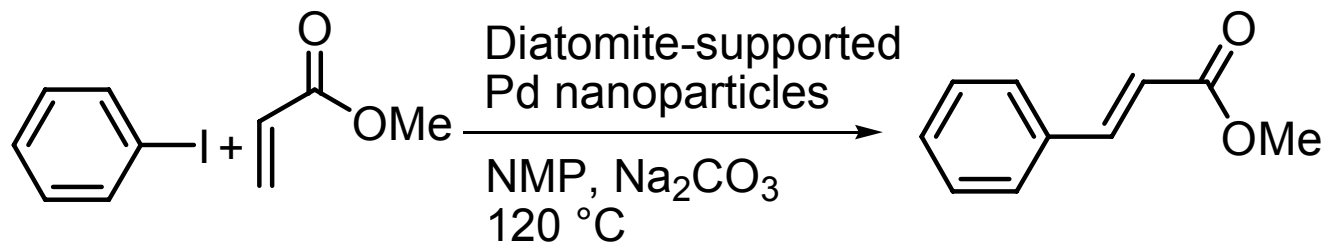


Table 2. Recycling of diatomite-supported Pd for the Heck reaction of iodobenzene with methyl acrylate



| entry | catalyst     | time   | isolated yield (%) |
|-------|--------------|--------|--------------------|
| 1     | first cycle  | 20 min | 96                 |
| 2     | second cycle | 20 min | 95                 |
| 3     | third cycle  | 20 min | 97                 |
| 4     | fourth cycle | 20 min | 95                 |
| 5     | fifth cycle  | 40 min | 96                 |
| 6     | sixth cycle  | 70 min | 95                 |

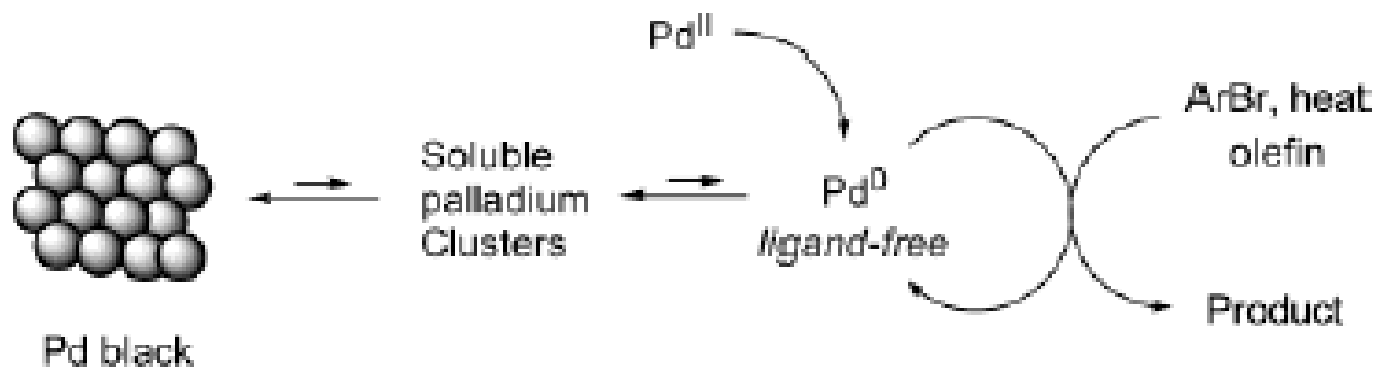


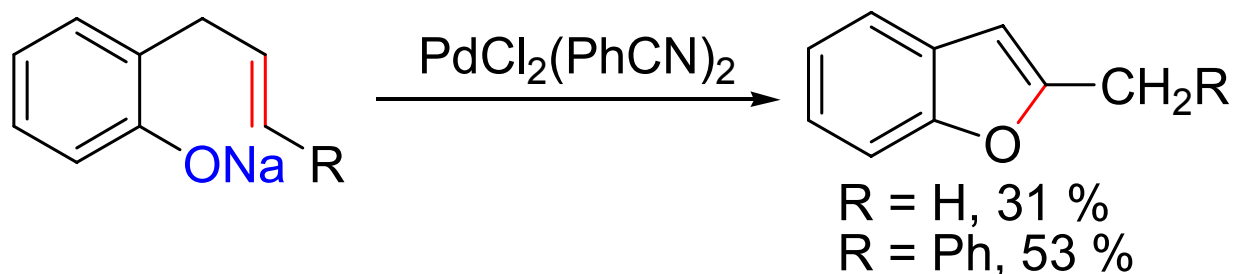
Figure 2. Catalytic model of heterogeneous palladium catalyst

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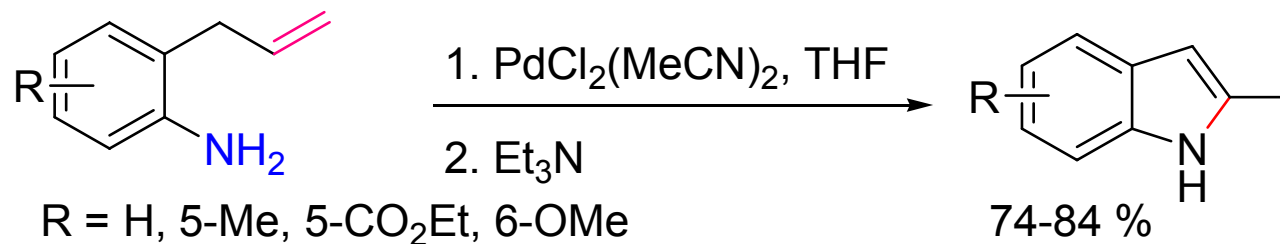
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## Original reports about Wacker cyclization



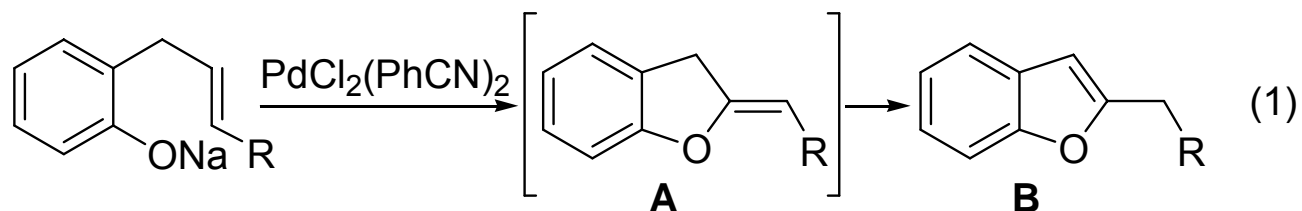
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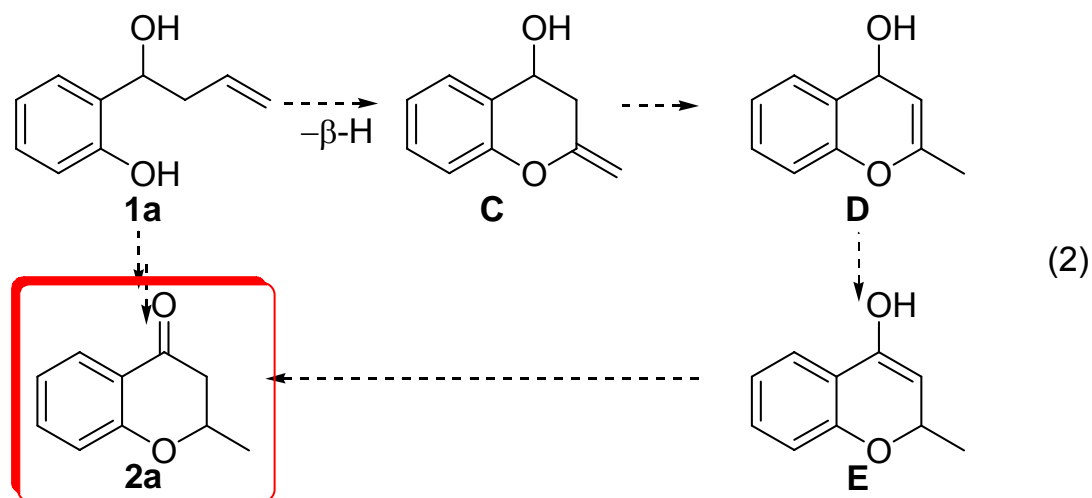
# Section One: Palladium catalyzed Wacker-type reaction for the synthesis of chromanone and involving 1,5-hydride alkyl to palladium migration

Scheme 5. Original report on Wacker-type oxidative cyclization

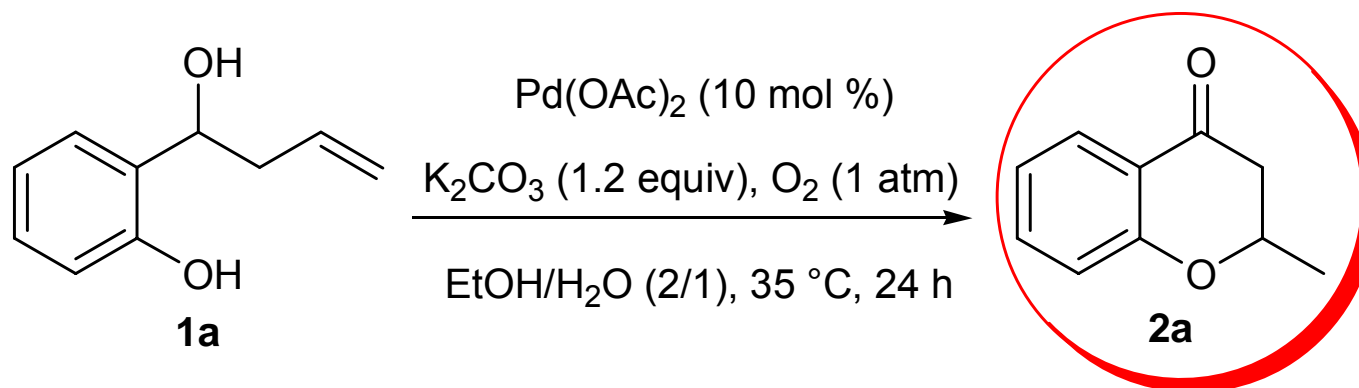


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Scheme 6. Our initial proposal

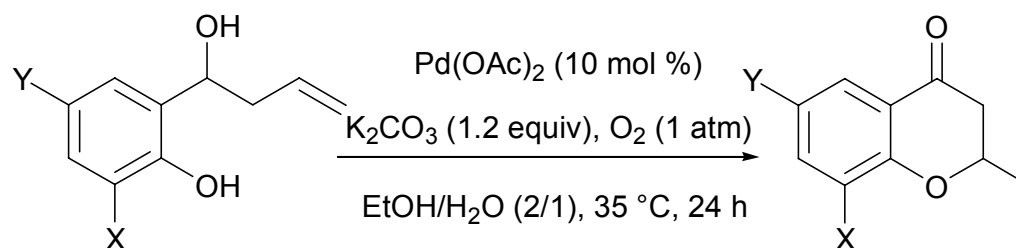


Scheme 7. Wacker-type oxidative cyclization of **1a**.



*Chem. Commun.* **2007**, 4686-4689.

**Table 7. Palladium (II) -Catalyzed Wacker-Type Cyclization**



| Entry | X                 | Y                 | Yield (%) |
|-------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| 1     | H                 | H                 | 67        |
| 2     | H                 | MeO               | 80        |
| 3     | H                 | Me <sub>3</sub> C | 72        |
| 4     | H                 | Me                | 70        |
| 5     | MeO               | H                 | 76        |
| 6     | Me                | H                 | 83        |
| 7     | Me <sub>3</sub> C | Me <sub>3</sub> C | 71        |
| 8     | Cl                | H                 | 70        |
| 9     | H                 | Cl                | 64        |
| 10    | H                 | MeCO              | 42        |
| 11    | H                 | Br                | 43        |
| 12    | H                 |                   | 65        |
| 13    | H                 |                   | 61        |

Electron-donating group facilitate the reaction

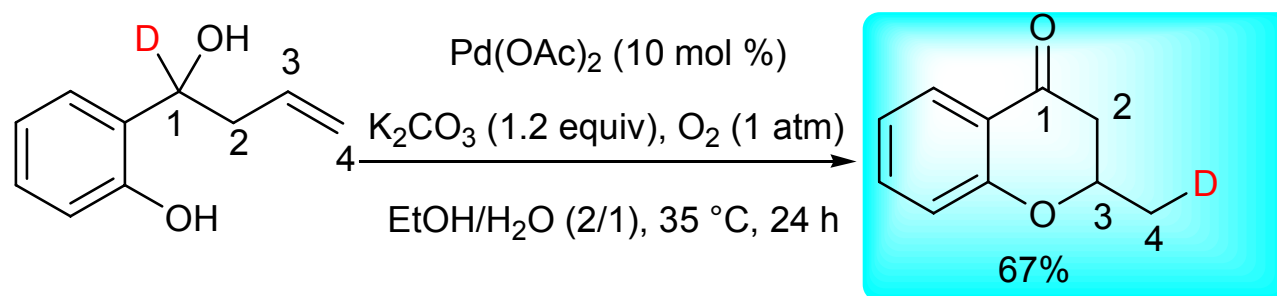
steric effort is unclear

strong electron-withdrawing group retards the reaction

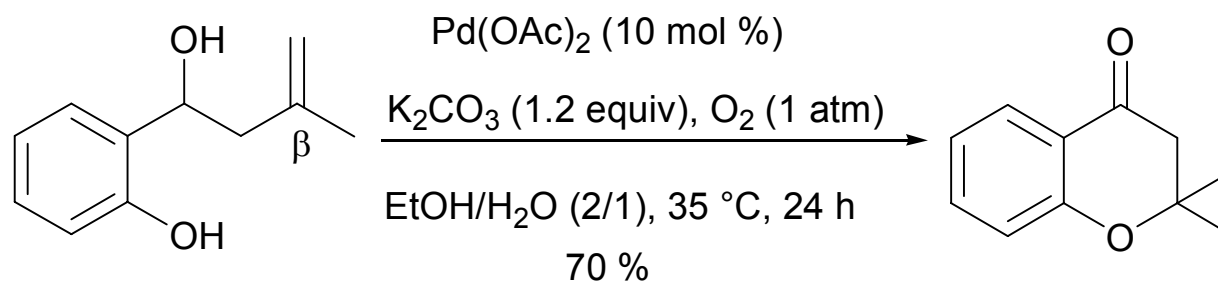
Groups sensitive to palladium survived

Mechanism insight:  $\beta$ -H elimination was excluded.

**Scheme 9.** Deuterium labelling experiment of Wacker-type cyclization



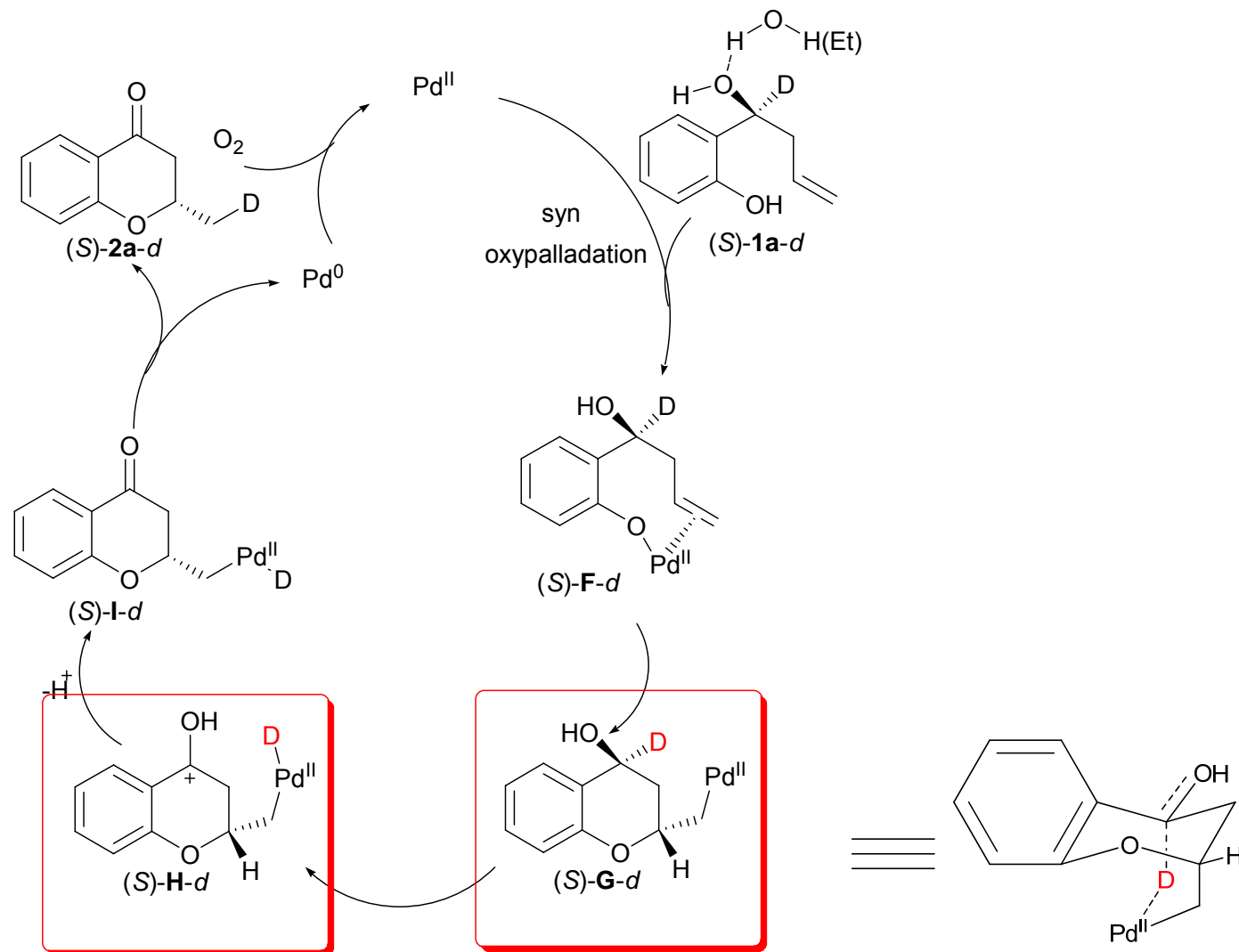
**Scheme 10.** Cyclization of starting material without  $\beta$ -H







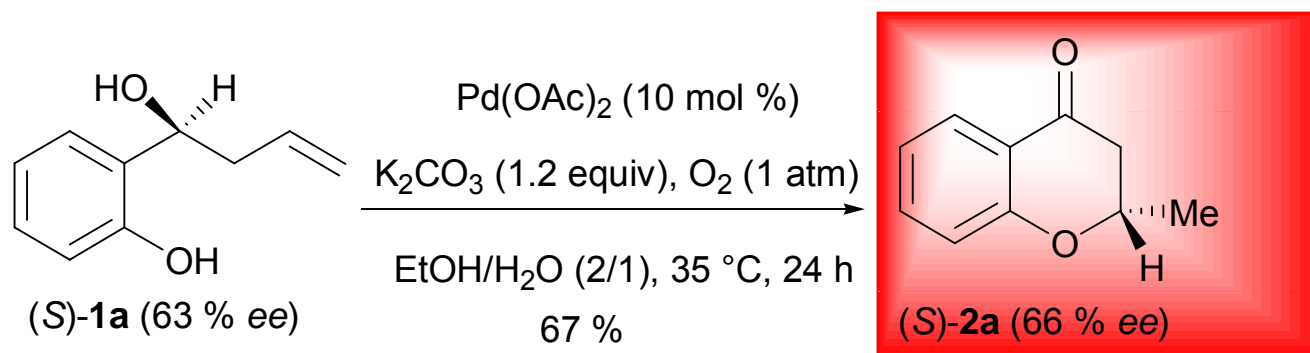
**Scheme 9.** Proposed mechanism for the Wacker-type cyclization of (*S*)-**1a-d** involving 1,5-palladium migration.





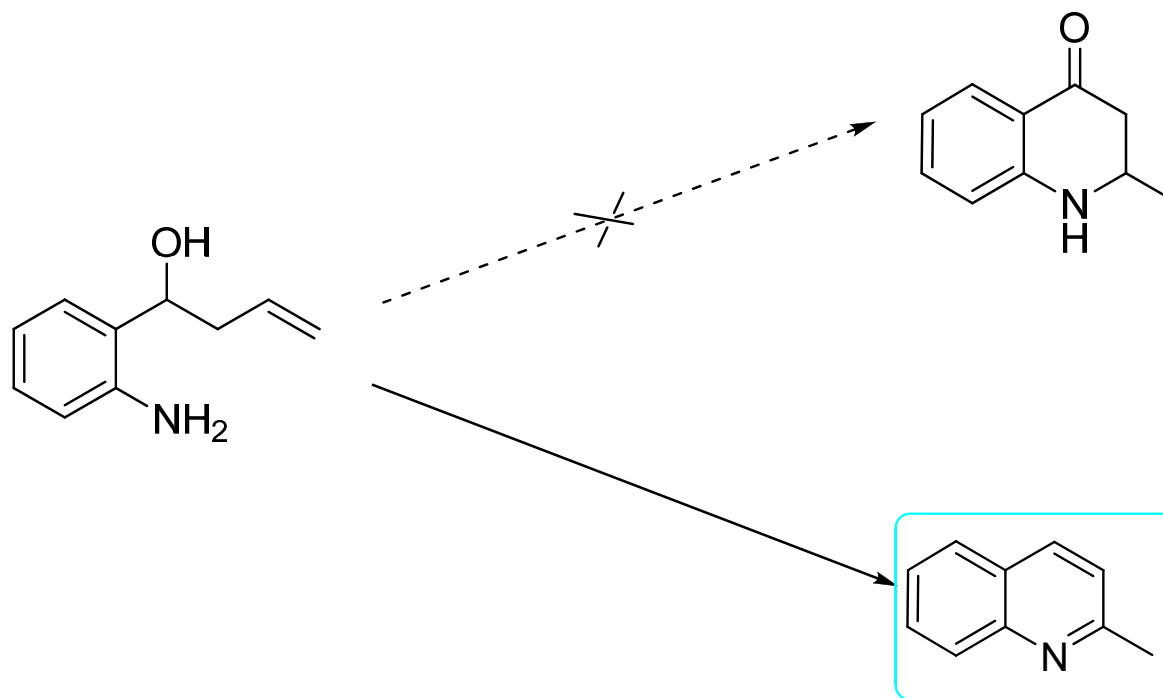
Further experiment to support 1,5-hydride alkyl to palladium migration

**Scheme 10** Chirality transfer experiment of cyclization



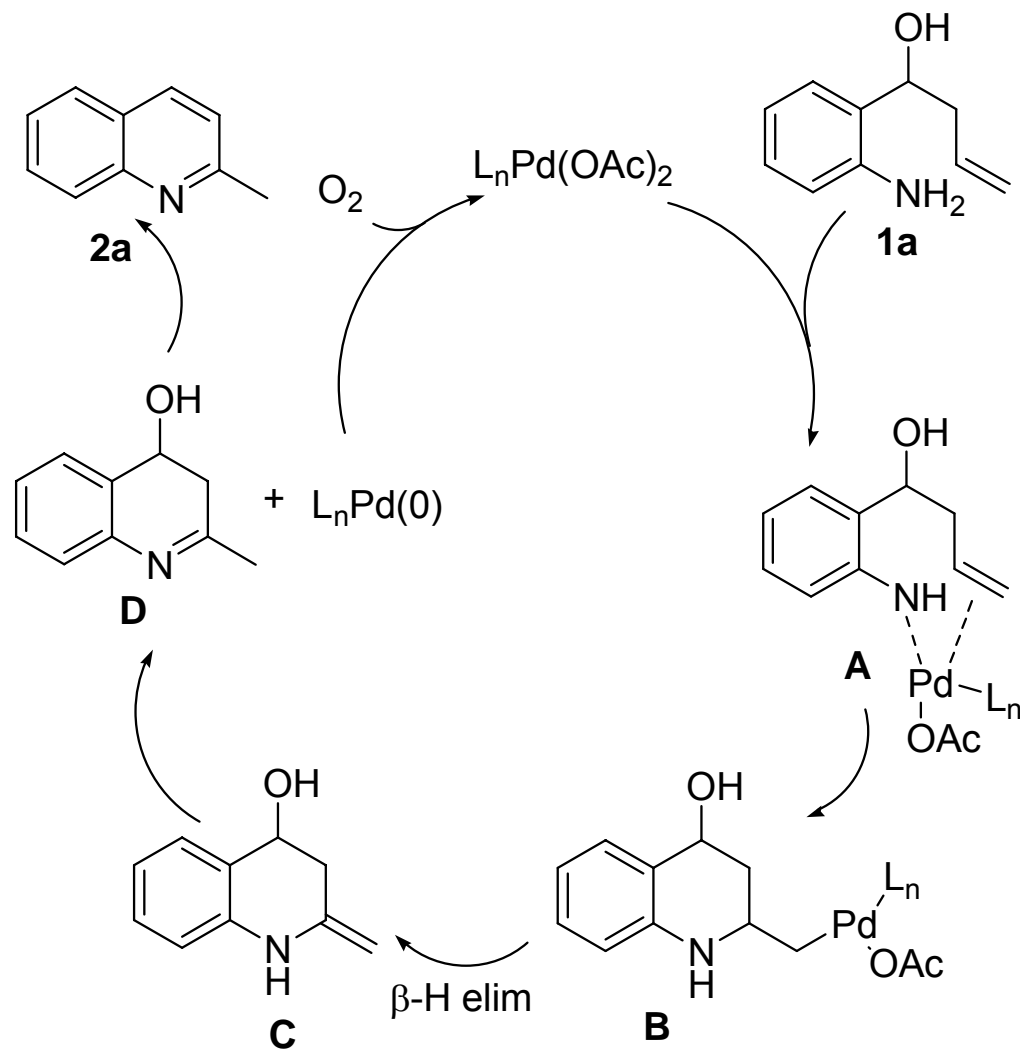
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Scheme 11. Aza-Wacker oxidative amination



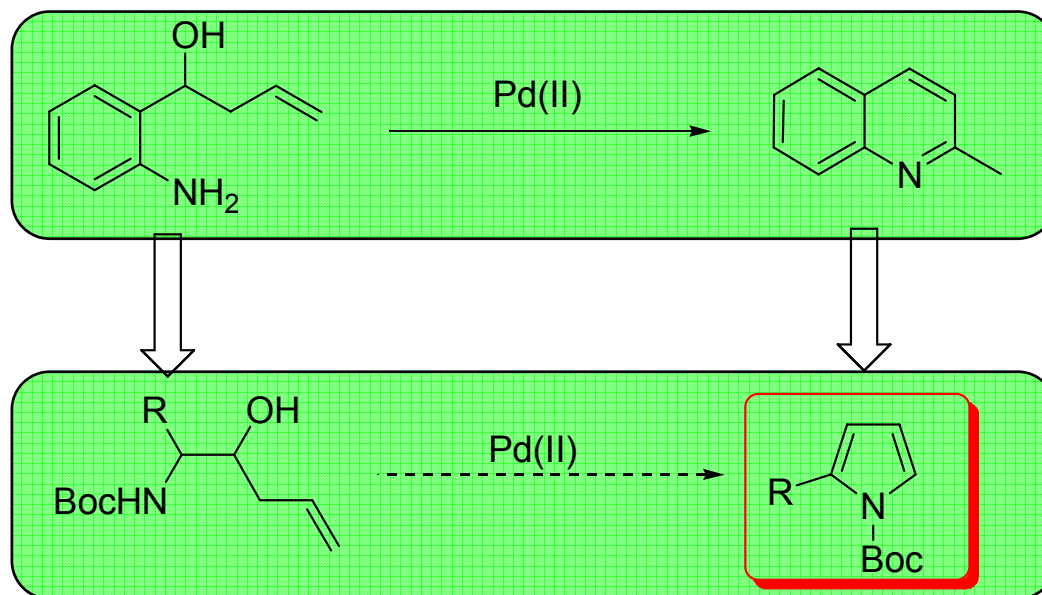
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**Scheme 12.** Proposed mechanism for the Pd-Catalyzed Aza-Wacker reaction to form 2-methyl-quinoline



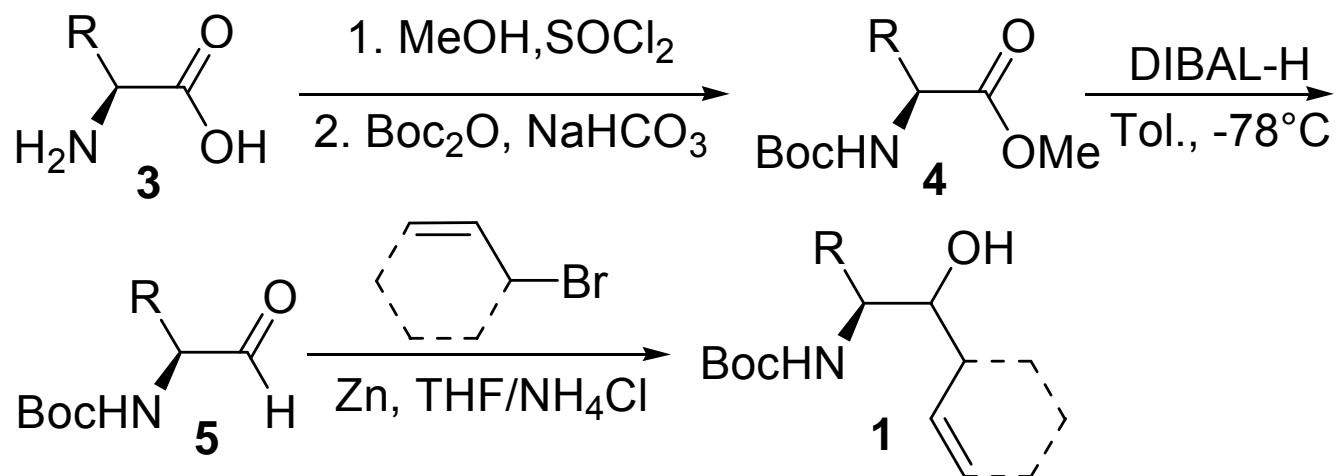
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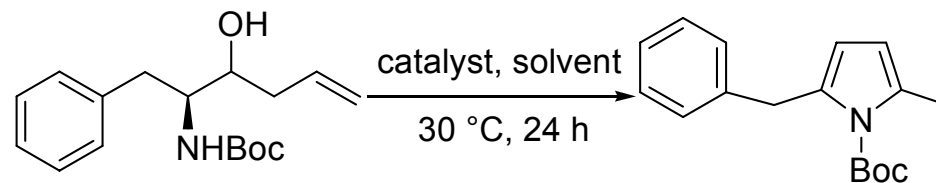
**Scheme 13.** Synthesis of pyrroles by aza-Wacker oxidative cyclization



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**Scheme 14.** General process to substrates from amino acids

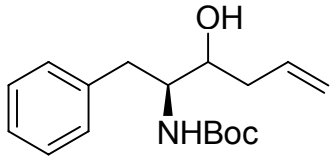
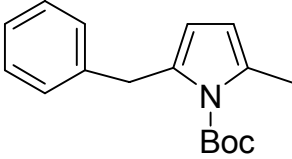
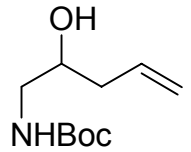
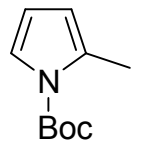
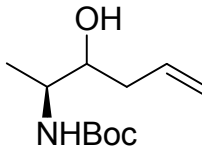
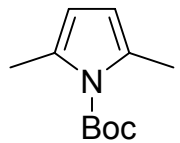
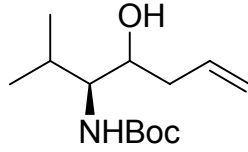
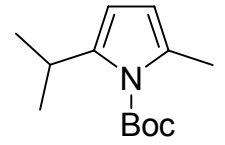
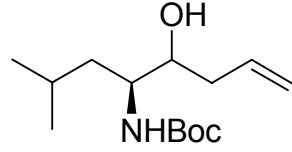
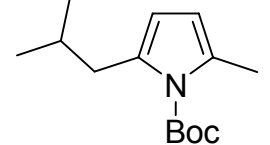
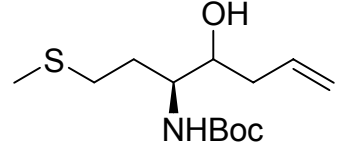
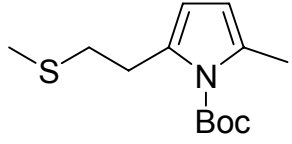


**Table 11.** Optimization of Aza-Wacker cyclization<sup>a</sup>

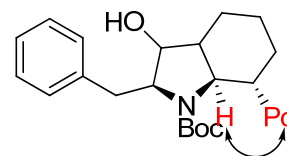
| entry | solvent           | catalyst<br>(10 mol %)                | oxidant                             | yield <sup>b</sup> (%) |
|-------|-------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 1     | MeOH              | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | 23                     |
| 2     | EtOH              | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | 25                     |
| 3     | <i>i</i> -PrOH    | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | trace                  |
| 4     | THF               | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | trace                  |
| 5     | Tol               | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | trace                  |
| 6     | DMF               | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | trace                  |
| 7     | DMSO              | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | trace                  |
| 8     | CHCl <sub>3</sub> | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>                  | air                                 | trace                  |
| 9     | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub>                     | air                                 | 41                     |
| 10    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (MeCN) <sub>2</sub> | air                                 | 44                     |
| 11    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PhCN) <sub>2</sub> | air                                 | 45                     |
| 12    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PhCN) <sub>2</sub> | O <sub>2</sub>                      | 50                     |
| 13    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PhCN) <sub>2</sub> | CuCl <sub>2</sub><br>(10 mol %)     | 52                     |
| 14    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PhCN) <sub>2</sub> | Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub><br>(10 mol %)  | 69                     |
| 15    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PhCN) <sub>2</sub> | Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub><br>(50 mol %)  | 80                     |
| 16    | EtOH              | PdCl <sub>2</sub> (PhCN) <sub>2</sub> | Cu(OTf) <sub>2</sub><br>(100 mol %) | 88                     |

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: 0.2 M of substrate in solvent. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

**Table 12.** Synthesis of Pyrrole by Aza-Wacker Cyclization<sup>a</sup>

| entry | substrate   | product   | yield <sup>b</sup> (%) |
|-------|---|---|------------------------|
| 1     |    |    | 88                     |
| 2     |    |    | 86                     |
| 3     |    |    | 89                     |
| 4     |   |   | 87                     |
| 5     |  |  | 92                     |
| 6     |  |  | 85                     |

| entry | substrate | product | yield <sup>b</sup> (%) |
|-------|-----------|---------|------------------------|
| 7     |           |         | 62                     |
| 8     |           |         | 79                     |
| 9     |           |         | 76                     |
| 10    |           |         | 70                     |
| 11    |           |         | 26                     |



<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: substrate (1 mmol), PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PhCN)<sub>2</sub> (0.1 mmol) and Cu(OTf)<sub>2</sub> (1 mmol) in 5mL of ethanol at 30°C for 24 h. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.



## Conclusion:

- 1) Regioselective Heck reaction at different C-I bonds was first reported;
- 2) Diatomite as a suitable template to support palladium was first developed and used to catalyze Heck and Suzuki reactions;
- 3) *1,5-hydride alkyl to palladium migration* was first proposed in Wacker-type reaction and a series of chromanones were synthesized by this method;
- 4) Quinolines and pyrroles were obtained by aza-Wacker cyclization.

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