Pd^{II} Complexes of Alkenes

-probably the other major choice in alkene-TM complexes

Early Chemistry

-Pd | forms comlexes with alkenes; an amine ligand is usually added to break up dimer and make a more reactive species

- -susceptible to attack by nucleophiles on the more substituted C
- -can sometimes reduce Pd off at low T, but mostly get β -H elimination

Nu:/Nu⁻ =
$$R_2$$
NH, H_2 O (ROH), R_1 (R_2 R)

amines, water, alcohols, enolates

BUT.....This is stoichiometric in Pd, and PdCl₂ 1g, \$102; 25g, \$1155

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However, if one has a stoichiometric oxidant present to oxidize the Pd° back to Pd^{II}, the could in principle be catalytic

- this can work: oxidant is most often O₂ or benzoquinone (BQ), or Cu^{II}

Earliest Successes

- is with oxygen based nucleophiles (H₂O, ROH)
- -perhaps because oxygen nucleophiles don't displace the alkene ligand

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-traditional version, with water as nucleophile, is called the Wacker process

- -reaction is selective for terminal alkenes; in fact intermolecular reactions for internal alkenes work poorly in most cases (except strong EWG substituted ones)
- -Markovnikov addition Nu: attacks most substituted side of the alkene normally -this can be overridden by coordinating groups within the substrate
- -CuCl₂ oxidizes Pd^o back to Pd^{II}; O₂ oxidizes Cu^I back to Cu^{II}

Alcohols and phenols can do this type of chemistry too, usually as an intramolecular addition

-normal tendency is to form 5- membered ring over 6- membered ring; this tendency can be overriden in some cases

- first work was with PdCl₂ as the Pd^{II} source, but now it is often replaced with other Pd^{II} salts
- -Reason with Cl⁻ salts, attack of Nu is *anti* to Pd; whereas with Pd(OAc)₂, Pd(OCOCF₂)₂, attack is *syn* to Pd
 - -syn attack allows/forces β -H elimination <u>away</u> from ring

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HO
$$\frac{5 \text{ mol}\% \text{ Pd(OAc)}_2}{\text{DMSO, O}_2, \text{ rt}}$$
 0 90-96%

-this even allows asymmetric synthesis at the newly formed chiral centre

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N Nucleophiles

-sometimes called aza-Wacker

-problem with amine ligands - these are generally too basic/nucleophilic; tend to displace alkene as ligand

-as a result, in the vast majority of successful cases, the lone pair on N is deactivated

$$\{ \begin{matrix} H \\ N \end{matrix} \} = \{ \begin{matrix} H \\ N \end{matrix} \}$$
 or even
$$\{ \begin{matrix} H \\ N \end{matrix} \}$$

 with this restriction, this has become an increasingly important way of making heterocycles; especially possible for indole type systems

Carbon Nucleophiles

-success in these nucleophilic attack reactions has even been extended to carbon based nucleophiles such as silyl enol ethers, enolizable β -dicarbonyls, electron rich aromatics and heterocycles - there are even some intermolecular cases

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even organometallics, i.e., Ar-HgOAc (ancient history), ArB(OH)₂, ArSnR'₃

i.e.
$$B(OH)_2$$
 + $OBu-n$ $OBu-$

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We have been hiding an important point for a bit now, though

Some of these (the organometallics, syn attack cases) are probably going through a different intermediate than has been presented

$$\begin{array}{c|c} X - Pd - R & \underline{\text{'insertion'}} & \hline \\ A & A & HH & H \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} \hline \\ X - Pd & R \\ \hline \\ A & HH & R \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c|c} \beta - elimin. \\ \hline \\ A & HH & R \end{array}$$

Nu bound to metal

- -much more common way to get at the intermediates A
- -by oxidative addition of Pdo to organic halides/triflates
- -called Heck reaction

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$$+ = CO_2Me \xrightarrow{Pd(OAc)_2} Br \xrightarrow{CO_2Me} CO_2Me \xrightarrow{Pd(OAc)_2, P(o-tol)_3, Et_3N} CO_2Me$$

So now we need Pd°, but we added Pd^{II}
Not a typo; Pd^{II} complexes often used and reduced *in situ*

Regiochemistry

- -somewhat different than intermolecular cases
- -some tendency to go away from EWG's and towards EDG's, but sterics now (apparently) dominates
 - -Nu: goes 'towards' the less substituted site

i.e.
$$\frac{100}{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}$$
 $\frac{4}{96}$ $\frac{4}{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}$ $\frac{4}{96}$ $\frac{4}{\text{CO}_2\text{Me}}$ $\frac{4}{93}$ $\frac{4}{7}$ $\frac{4}{93}$ $\frac{4}{93}$

Stereochemistry

-resulting alkene is usually the most thermodynamically stable one, meaning *trans*all else being equal

Nature of the Organic Halide

R-X (usually) can't have β -hydrogens on an sp³ carbon atom, because of β -elimination

HH Br "Pdo" H L L
$$\beta$$
-elimination H-Br + Pdo + β

β-elimination takes place before any coupling can occur

Thus

(benzyl)

Halides

- -Br is most common choice
- -I faster at oxidative addn, but more side rxns (sometimes better, sometimes worse)
- -triflates are excellent pseudohalides {-O-\$-CF
- -CI historically sluggish, but coming along nicely with new catalysts, including sterically hindered phosphines, carbenes as ligands, and ortho- metallated palladacycles

i.e., PtBu₃

$$Cy_2P$$

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A cute but increasingly irrelevant variation - acid chlorides

-aryl chlorides are very reactive to oxidative addition, and may be accessibe when the halides are not

-can occur under very mild conds, in some cases - being made obsolete by improvements to aryl chloride Heck reactions

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The Alkene

only practical ones

- -ligands generally stabilize palladium intermediates, but are't always added
- -inorganic base is often used (instead of amine) to consume H-X

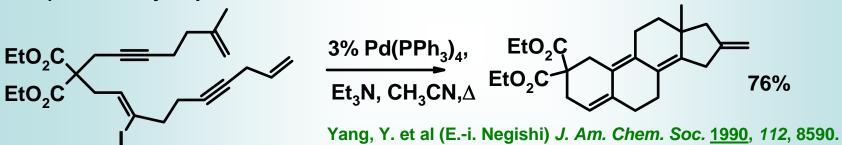
In some cases, other things can be done to the alkylpalladium

$$R-X + = R' \xrightarrow{Pd^{\circ}} R'$$

a) Trap with organometallics

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b) Further cyclopalladation



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