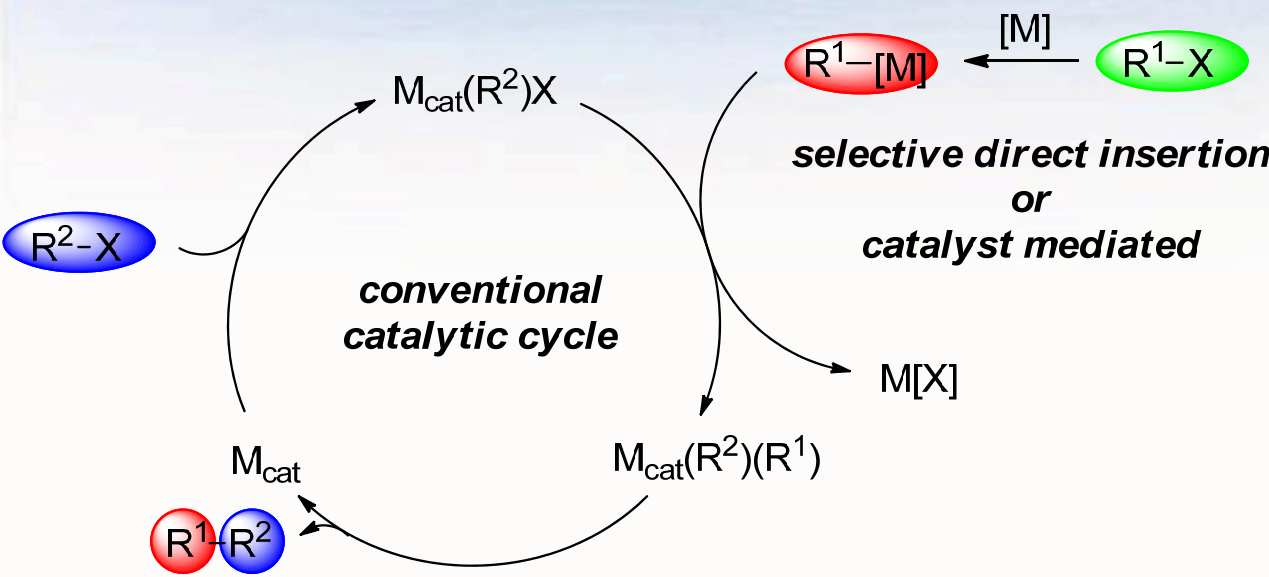
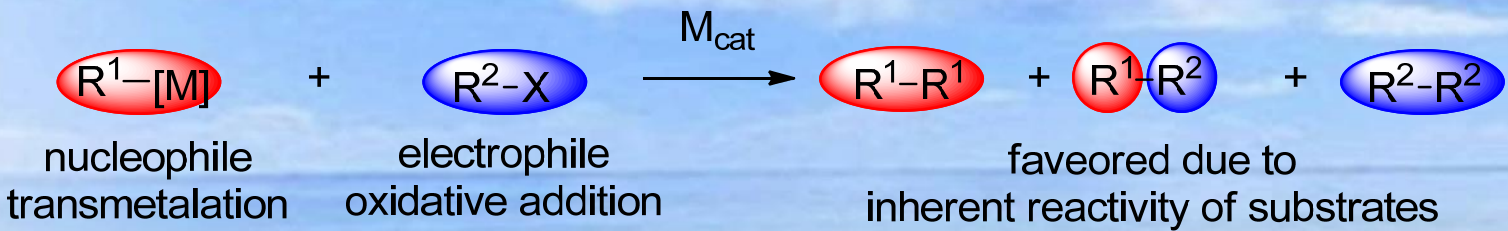




Strategy and Mechanism for Nickel-Catalyzed Selective Cross-Electrophile Coupling

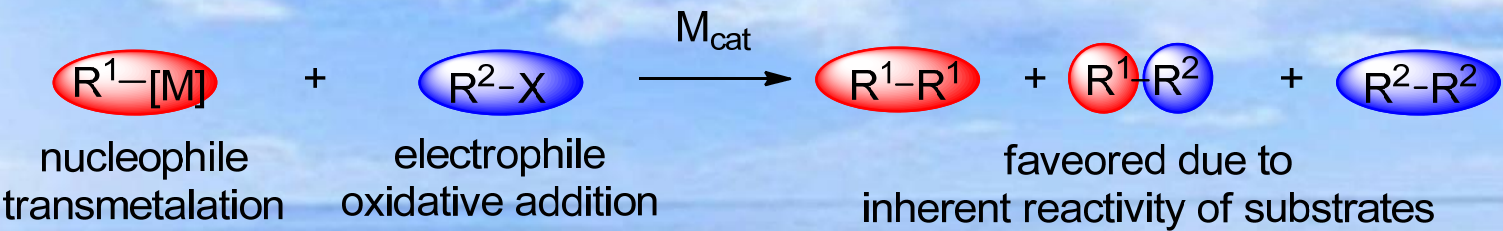
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Conventional Metal Catalyzed Cross-Coupling

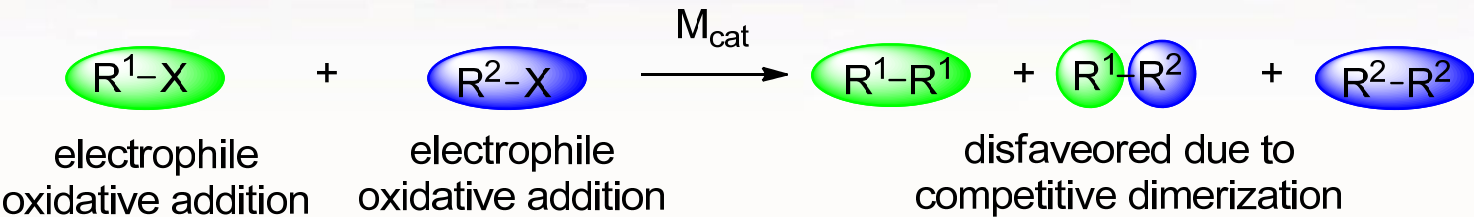


$\text{M} = \text{Mg, Zn}$:
air- and moisture- sensitive
 $\text{M} = \text{B, Si}$:
additives required to fancilitate transmetalation

Conventional Metal Catalyzed Cross-Coupling

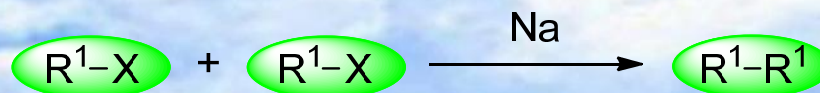


Cross Electrophile Coupling (XEC)

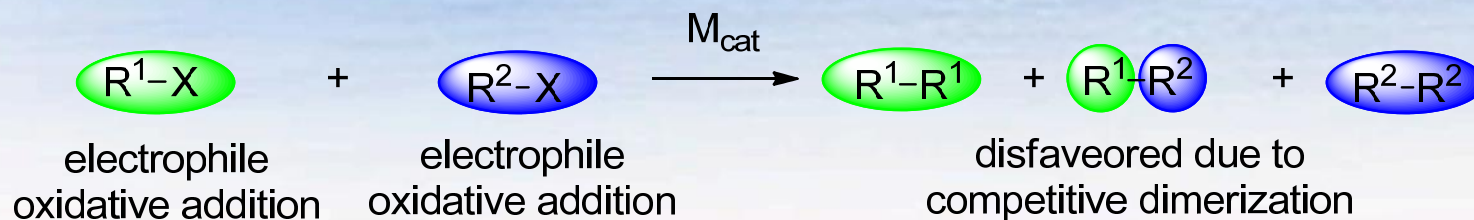
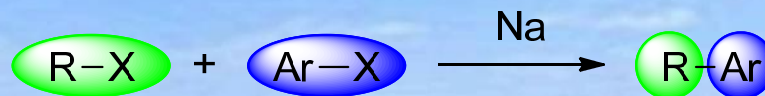


stable, easy to handle, readily available...

Wurtz coupling(1855):



Wurtz-Fittig reaction(1864):



equal reactivity for substrates:

statistical mixture

$\text{R}^1\text{-X}$ more reactive than $\text{R}^2\text{-X}$:

$\text{R}^1\text{-R}^1$ formed first, $\text{R}^2\text{-R}^2$ second,
then incidental $\text{R}^1\text{-R}^2$ formed

 h yield

 major product

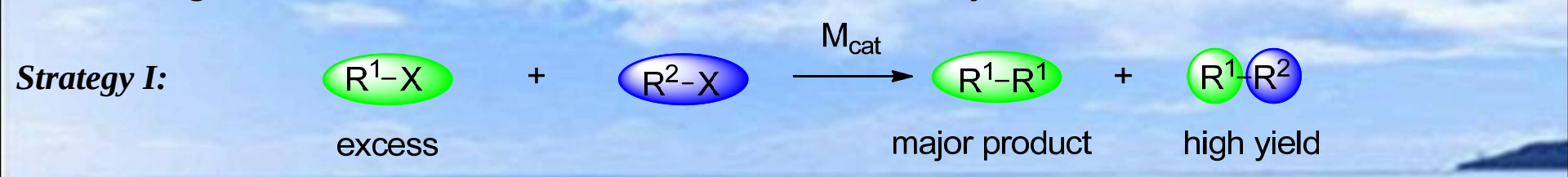
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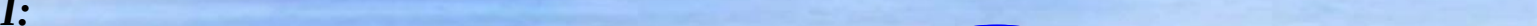
For starting materials that have identical chemical reactivity:

Strategy I:

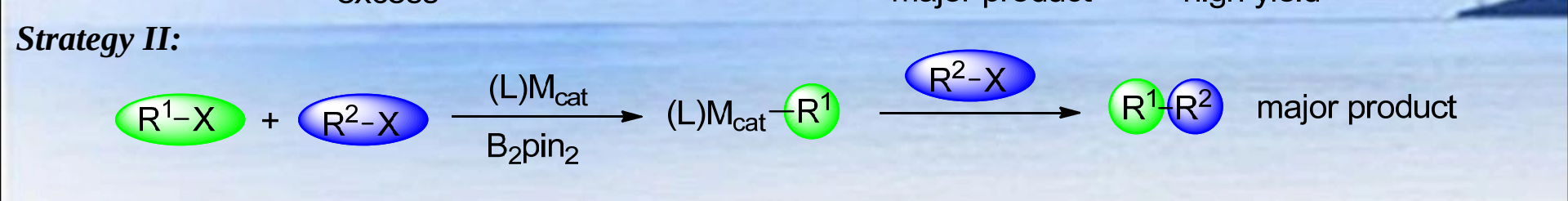




Strategy II:



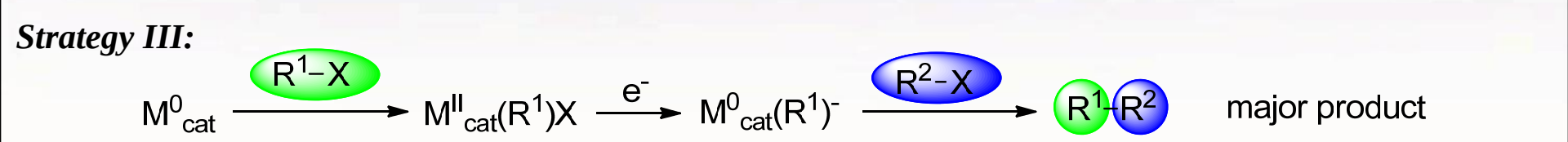
$R^1-X + R^2-X \xrightarrow[B_2pin_2]{(L)M_{cat}} (L)M_{cat}-R^1 \xrightarrow{R^2-X} R^1-R^2$ major product



For substrates that are not so identical in chemical reactivity:

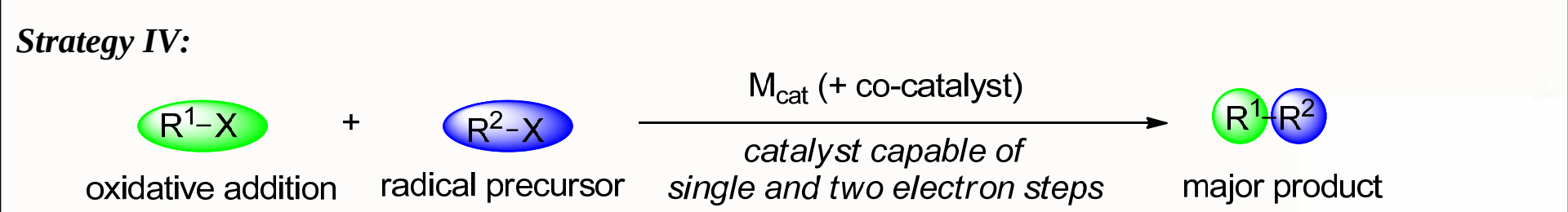
Strategy III:

$$\text{M}^0_{\text{cat}} \xrightarrow{\text{R}^1\text{-X}} \text{M}^{\text{II}}_{\text{cat}}(\text{R}^1)\text{X} \xrightarrow{\text{e}^-} \text{M}^0_{\text{cat}}(\text{R}^1)^- \xrightarrow{\text{R}^2\text{-X}} \text{R}^1\text{-R}^2 \quad \text{major product}$$

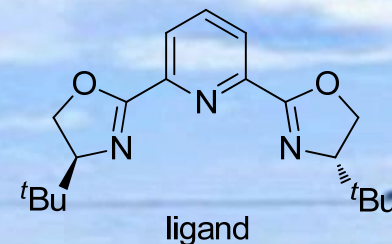
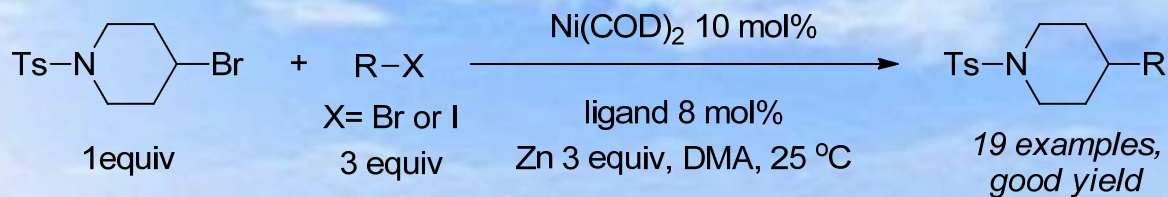


Strategy IV:

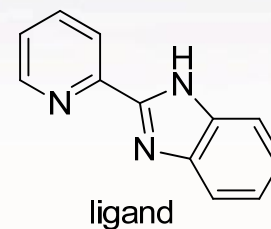
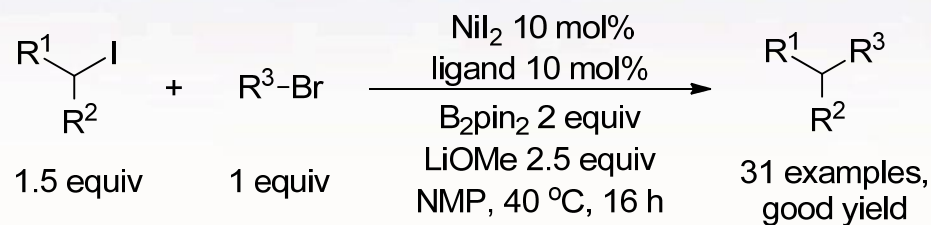

oxidative addition + radical precursor $\xrightarrow[\text{catalyst capable of single and two electron steps}]{M_{\text{cat}} (+ \text{co-catalyst})}$ major product



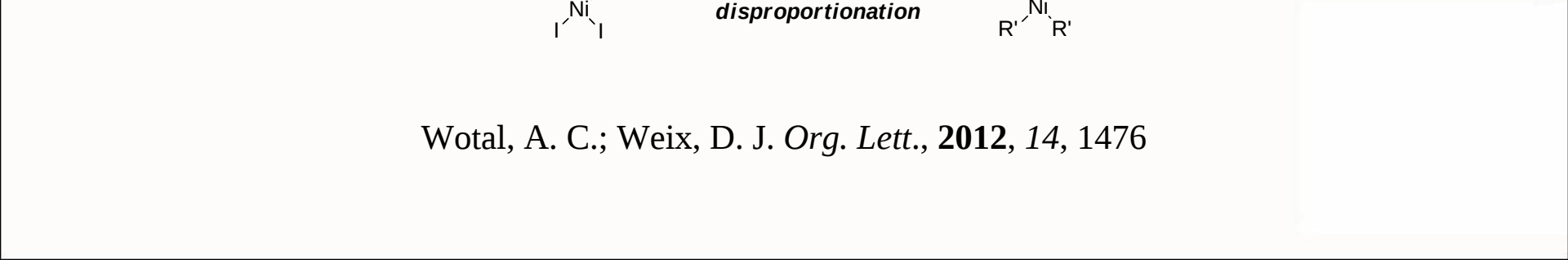
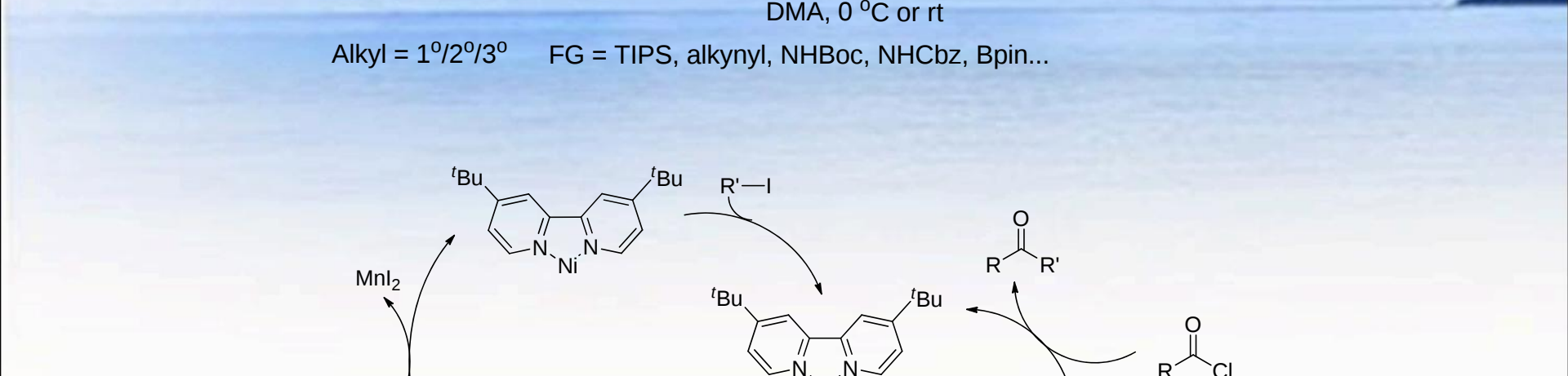
Strategy I: excess of one reagent



Strategy II: steric differentiation of starting materials



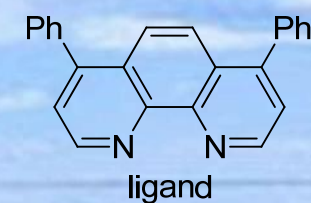
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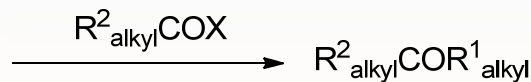
Ph

Ph

ligand



Chemical structure of a nickel complex. The ligand is a 1,10-phenanthroline derivative with tert-butyl (*t*Bu) groups at the 2 and 9 positions. The nickel center (Ni) is coordinated by the two nitrogen atoms of the ligand and two alkyl groups (R^1 alkyl).



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Strategy III: electronic differentiation of starting materials

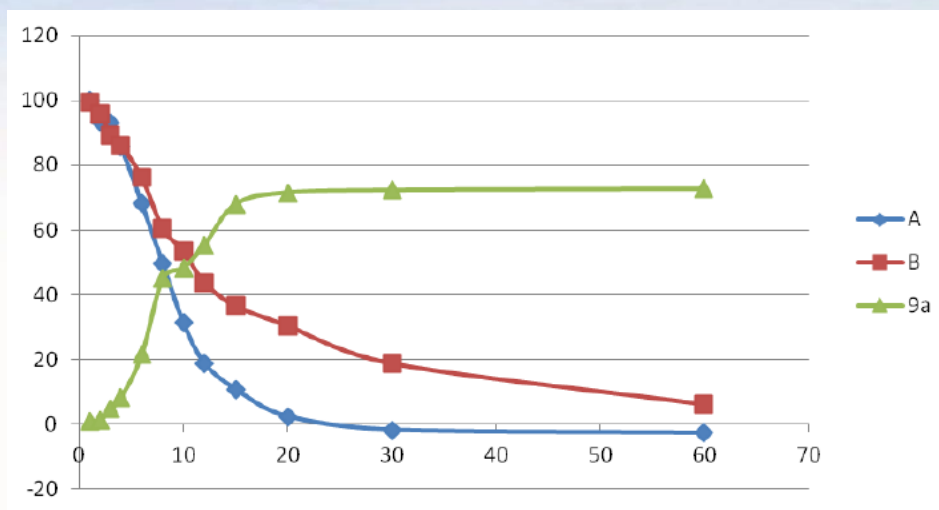
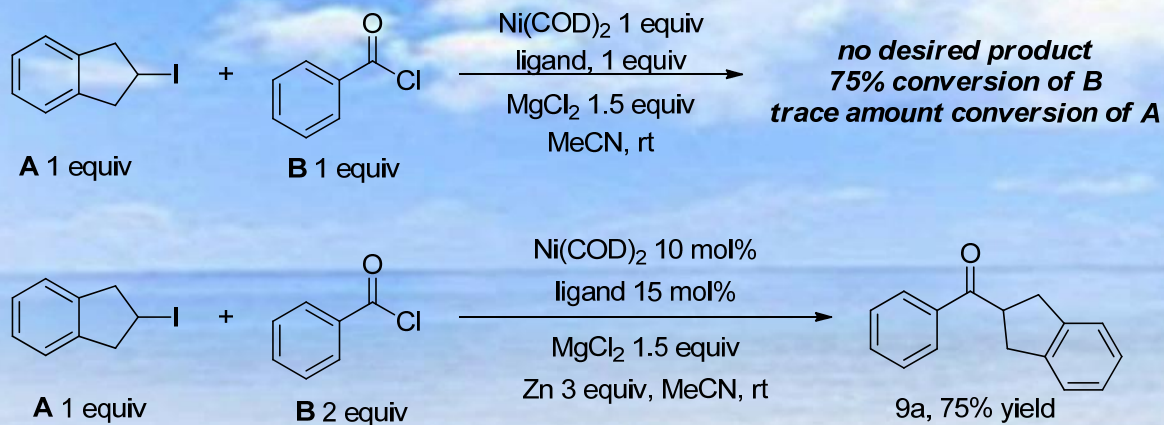
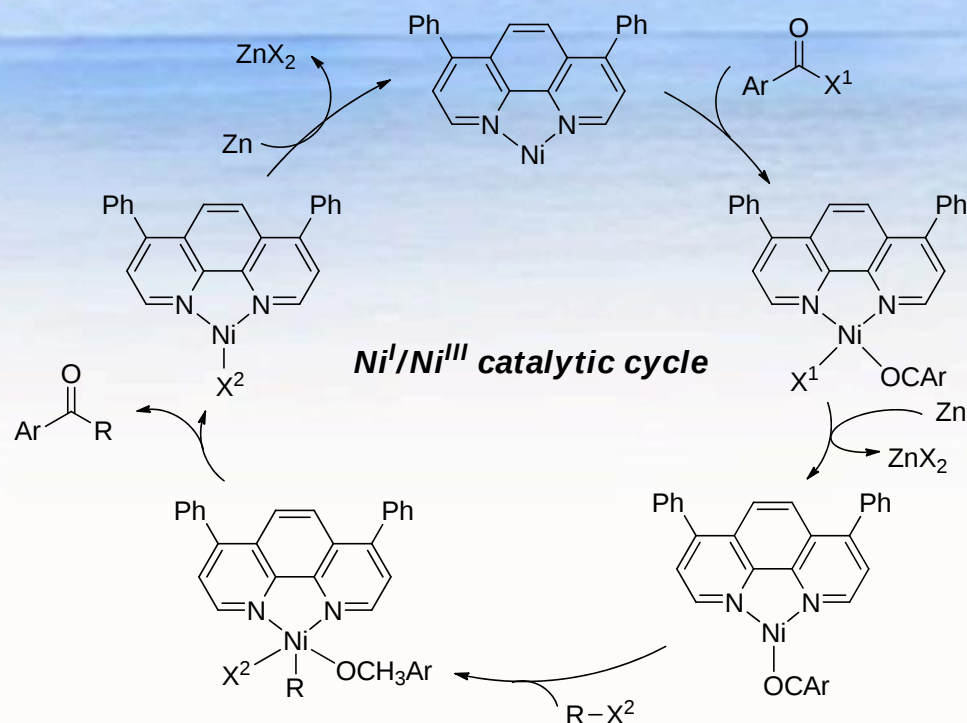
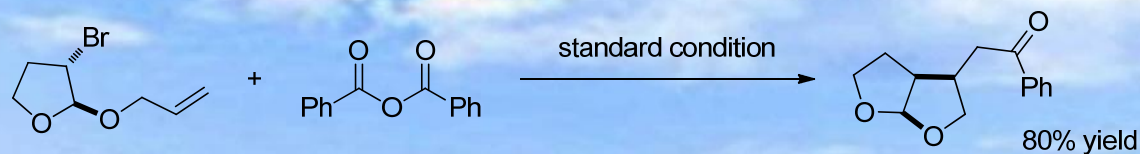


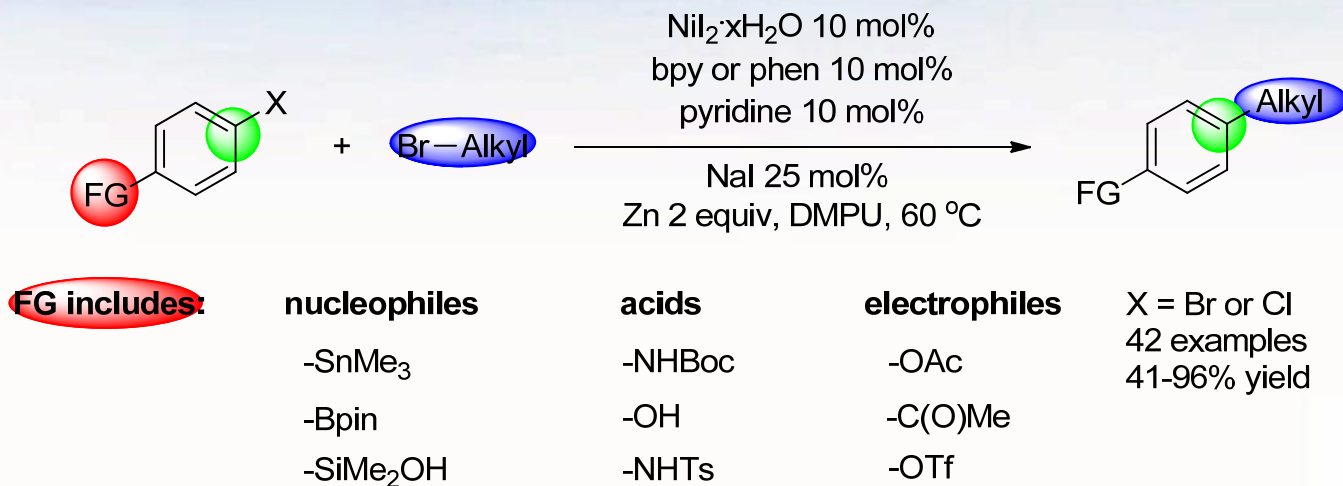
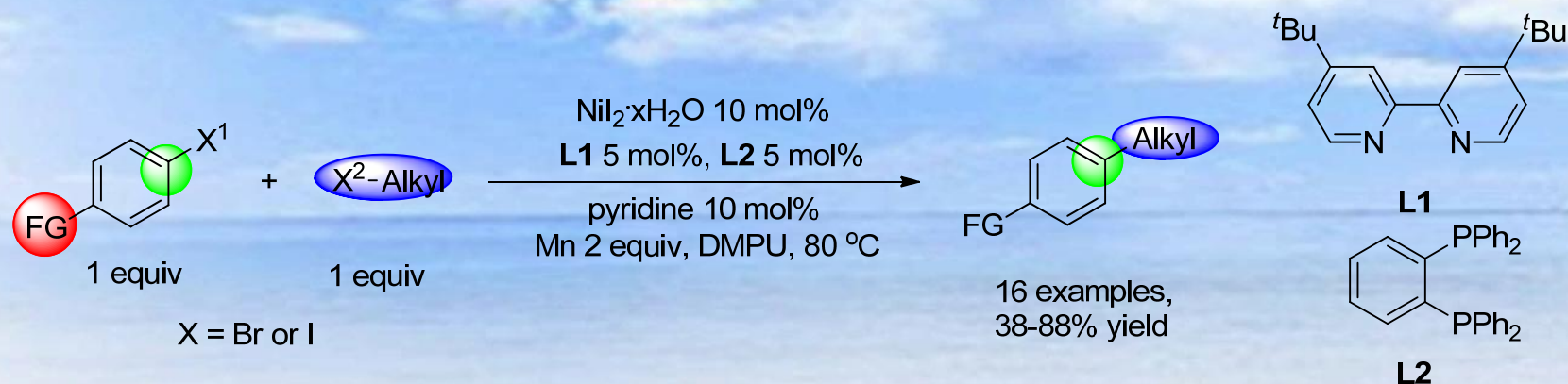
Figure. coupling under standard condition

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Strategy IV: radical chain mechanism

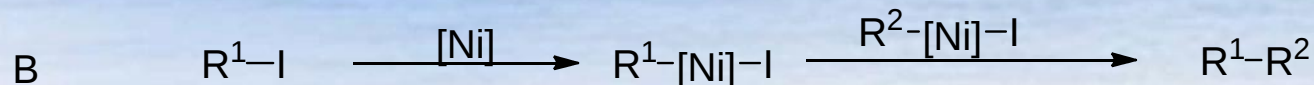


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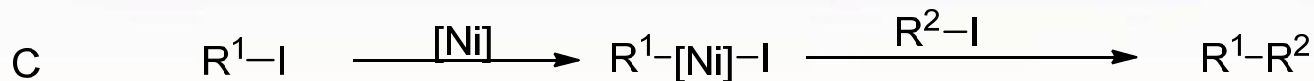
Mechanism A : organometallic reagent generated in situ



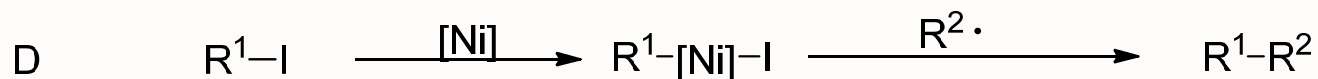
Mechanism B : disproportionation methasis of two nickel centers



Mechanism C : sequential oxidative addition at a single metal center

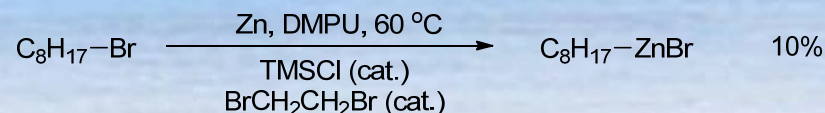
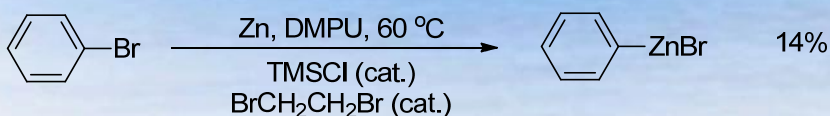
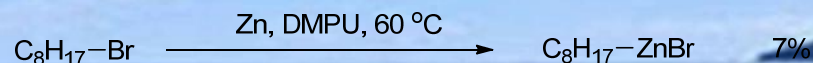


Mechanism D : radical chain mechanism

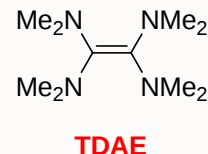
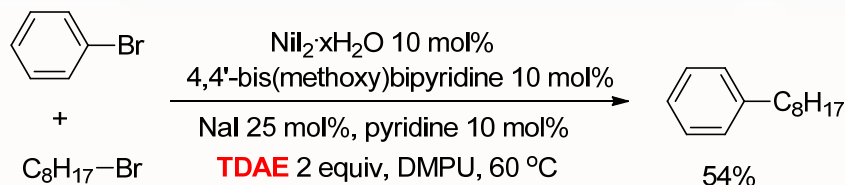


Potential intermediacy of organozinc reagents

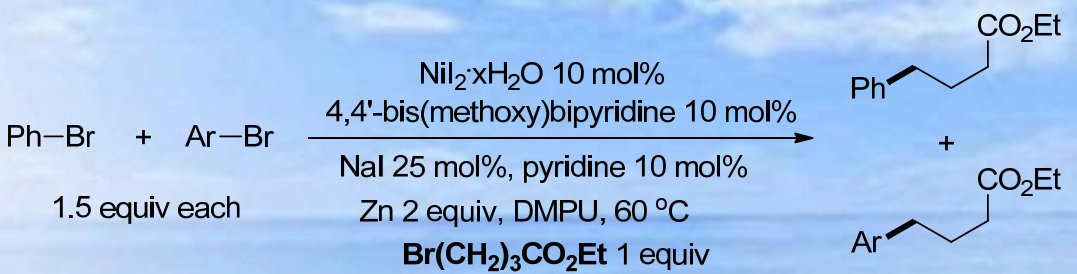
Direct insertion of zinc or activated zinc



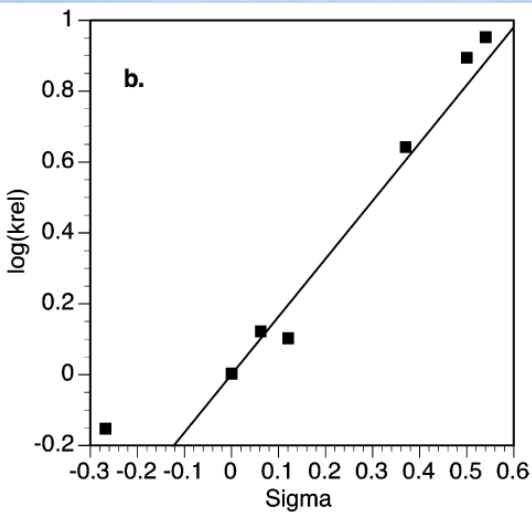
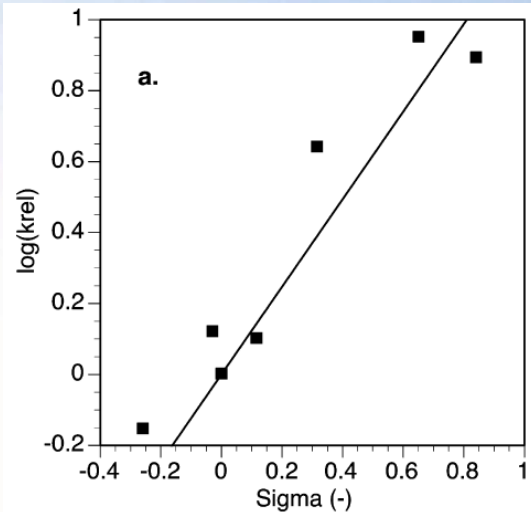
Reductive cross-coupling with a nonmetallic reducing agent



Turnover-frequency limiting step



entry	substituent	k_{rel}	σ	$\sigma(-)$
1	4-H	1	0	0
2	4-OMe	0.81	-0.268	-0.26
3	4-F	1.34	0.062	-0.03
4	3-OMe	1.15	0.12	0.115
5	3-CO ₂ Et	4.21	0.37	0.315
6	4-CF ₃	10.06	0.54	0.65
7	4-C(O)Me	9.21	0.50	0.84

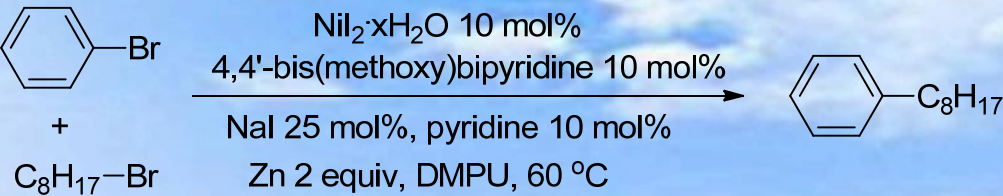


$k_{rel} = 1.235\sigma(-)$, $R^2 = 0.9259$
 $k_{rel} = 1.635 \sigma$, $R^2 = 0.9531$

*slop for Ni-mediated
 oxidative addition of aryl
 halides: 4.4-8.8*

Oxidative addition is not turnover-frequency limiting.

Turnover-frequency limiting step



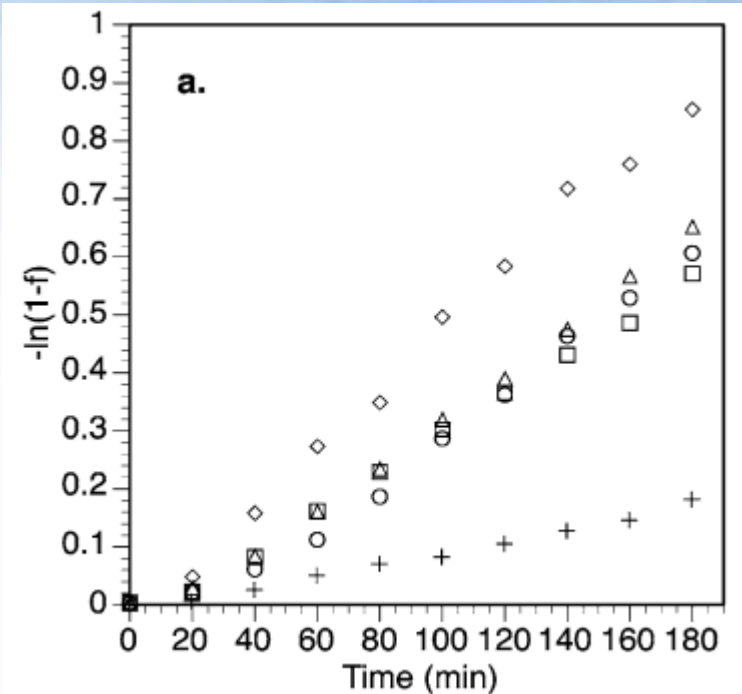
$$-\frac{d[c]}{dt} = v = k[c]$$

$$kt = -\ln \frac{c}{c_0} = -\ln (1 - f)$$

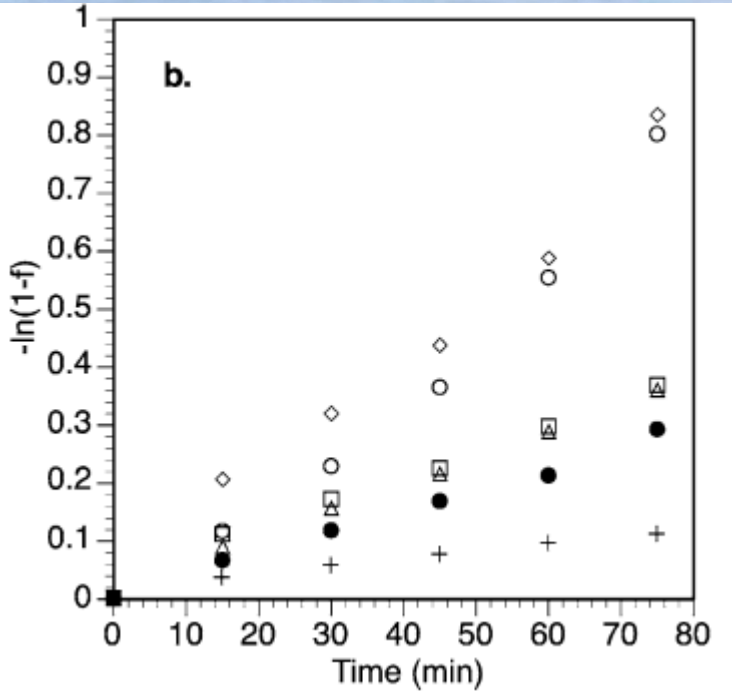
standard conditions(□)
 2×PhBr(+)

4 equiv Zn(△)
 2×AlkylBr(○)

1 equiv benzene(●)
 2×[Ni/ligand/py](◇)



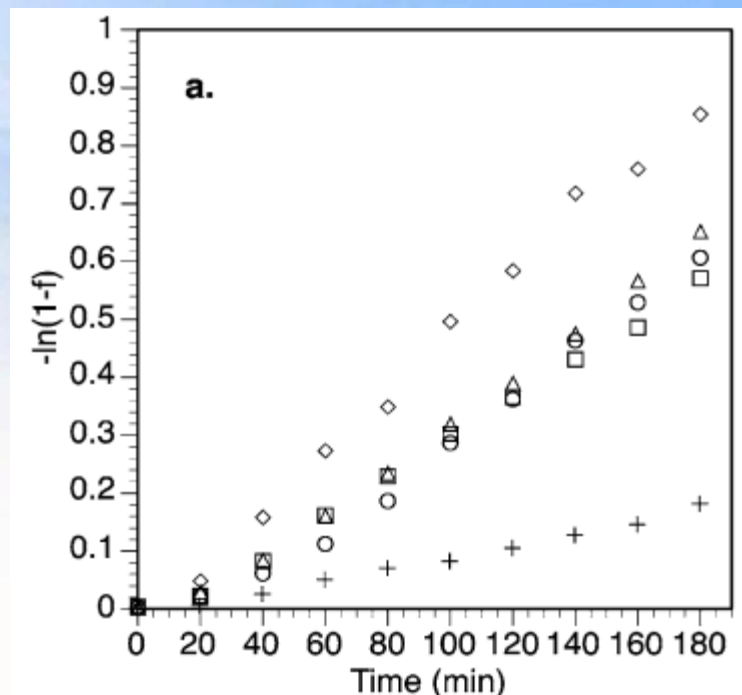
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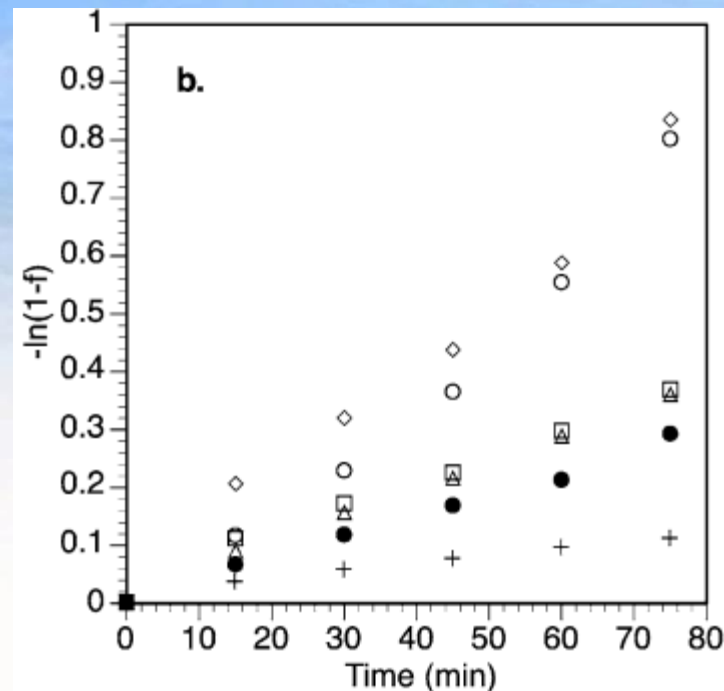
b.Reaction with activated zinc

Turnover-frequency limiting step

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2×PhBr(+) 2×AlkylBr(○) 2×[Ni/ligand/py](◇)



a. Reaction with unactivated zinc

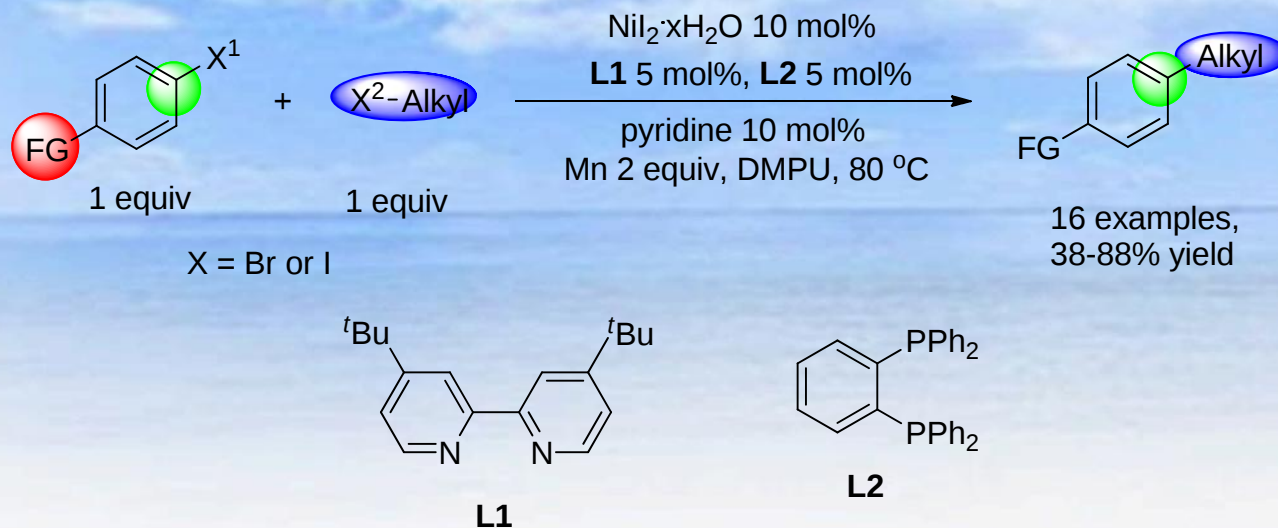


b. Reaction with activated zinc

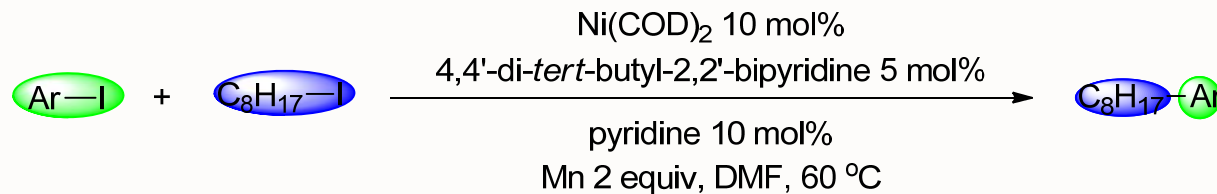
***The rate of product formation is proportional to
[bromoalkane]^x[Ni]^y/[bromoarene]^z***

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Initial work



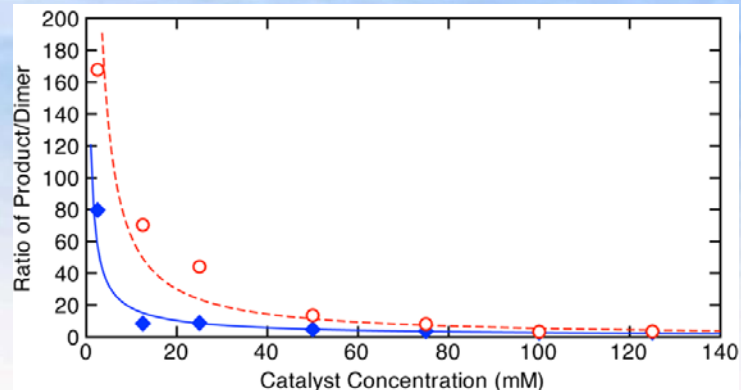
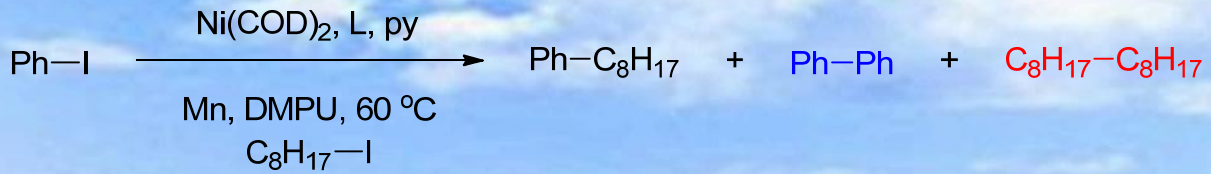
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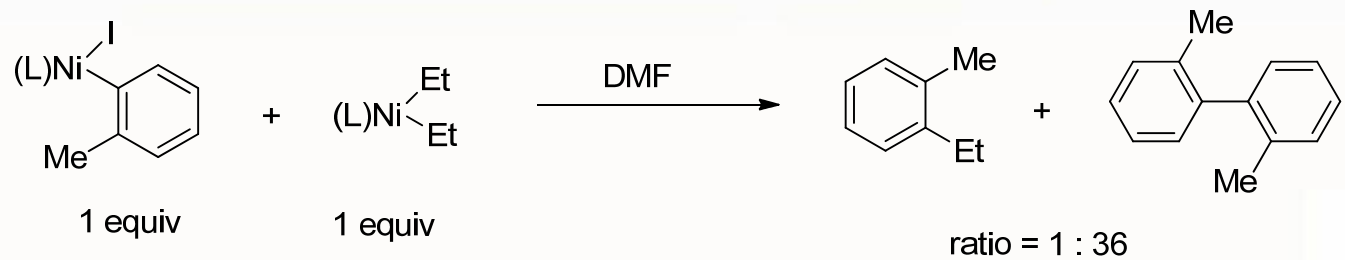
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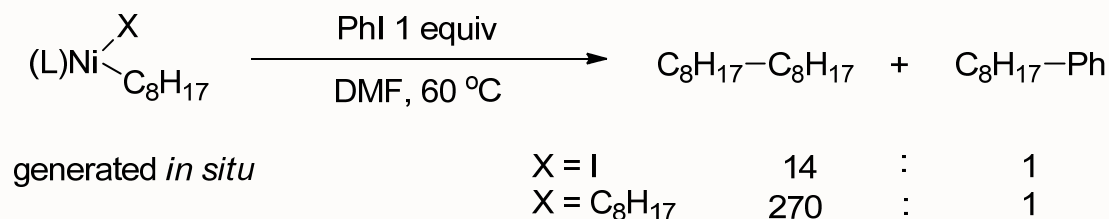
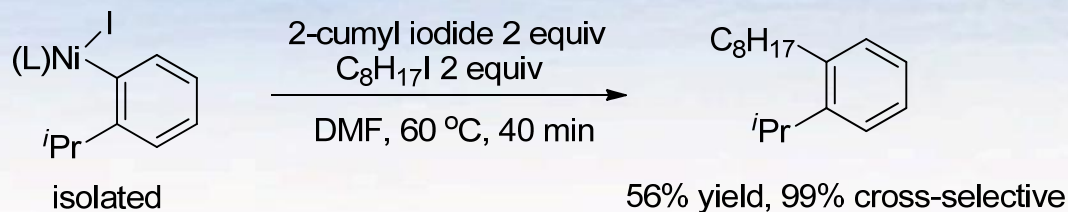
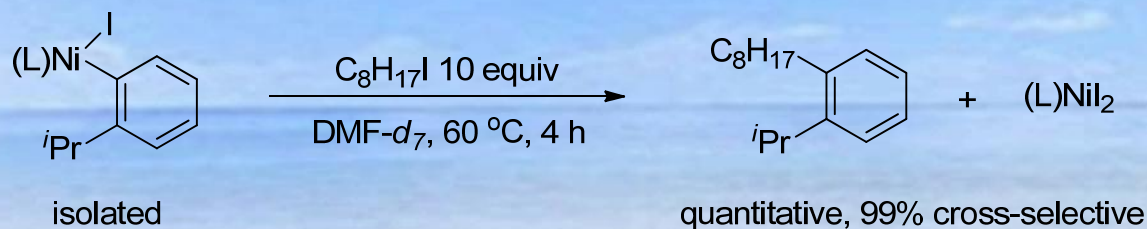


“The rate of Ph-Ph formation has a second-order dependence on nickel concentration”, shown by Osakada and Yamamoto.



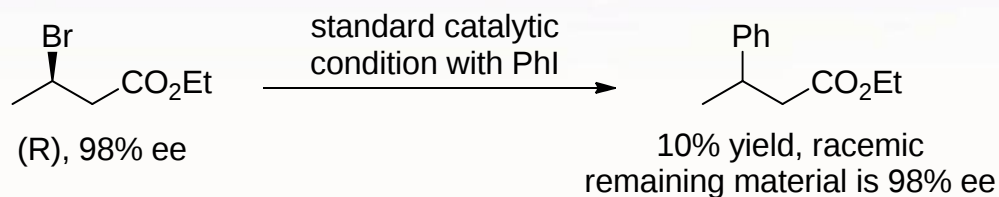
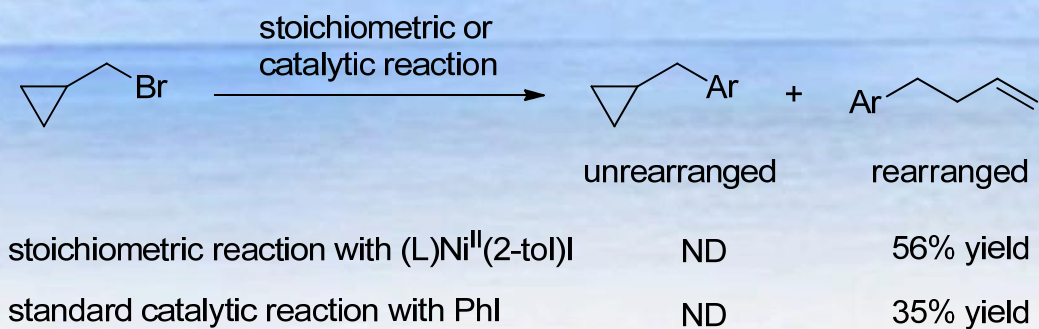
Sequence of oxidative addition:

Selectivity in oxidative addition to Ni^0

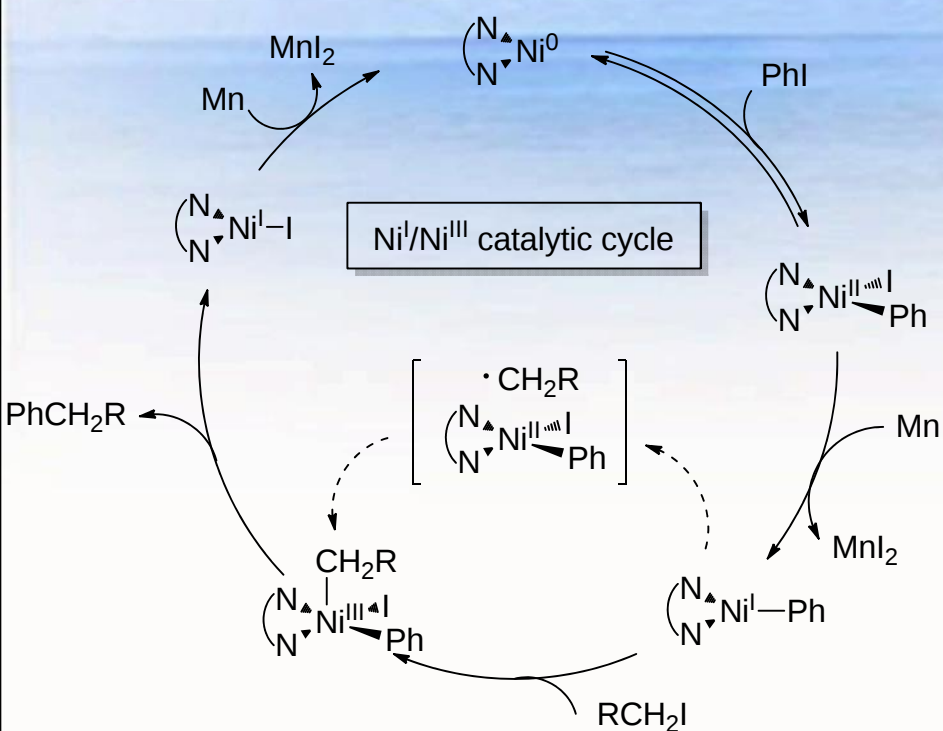


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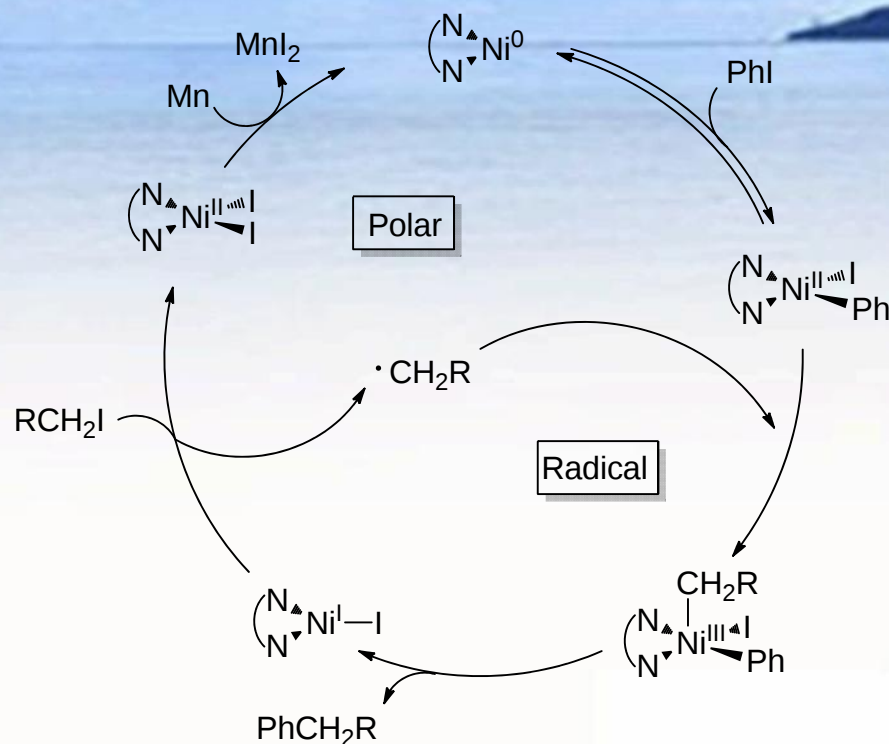
Radical clock experiments



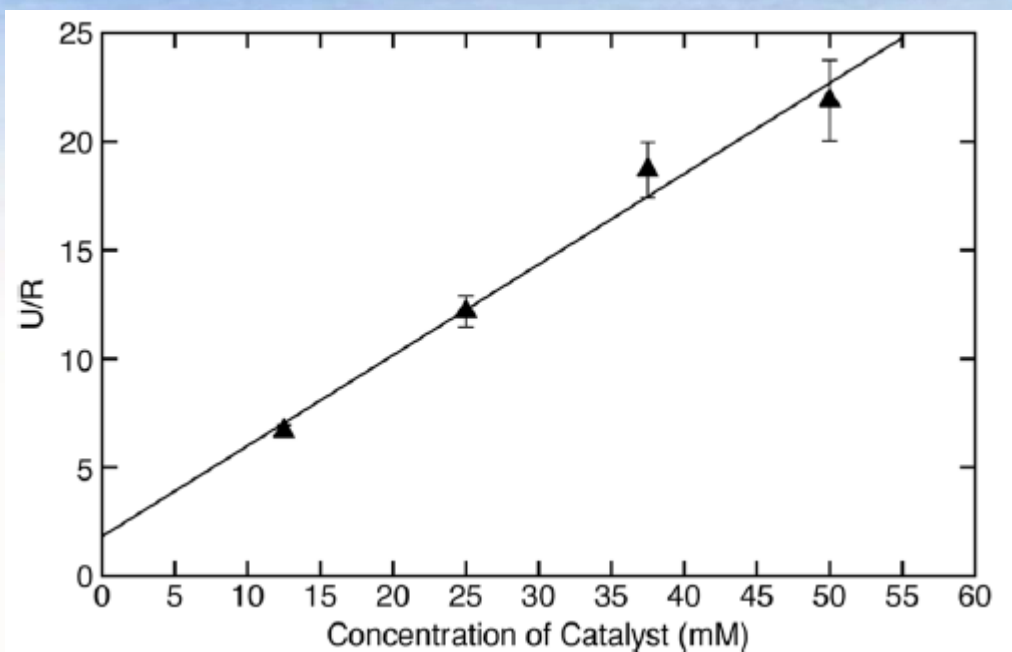
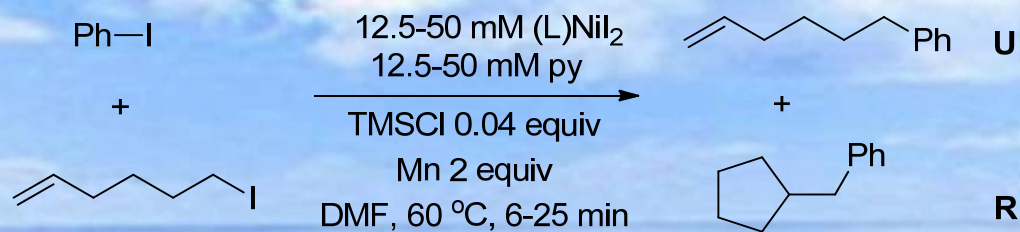
Mechanism C : Sequential oxidative



Mechanism D : Radical chain



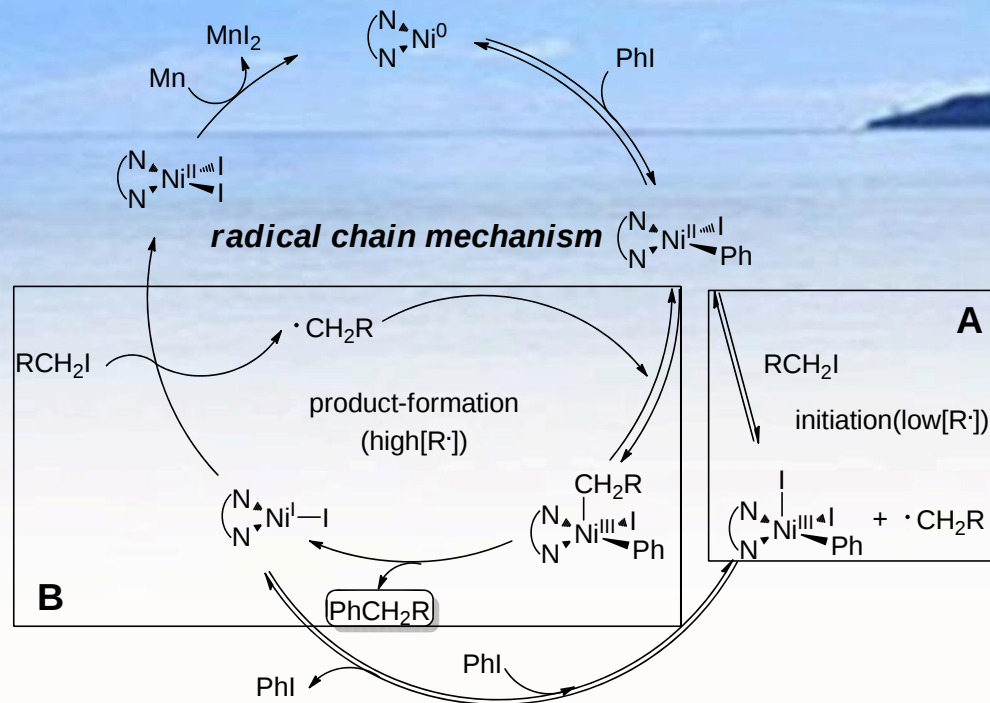
Product ratio on nickel concentration:



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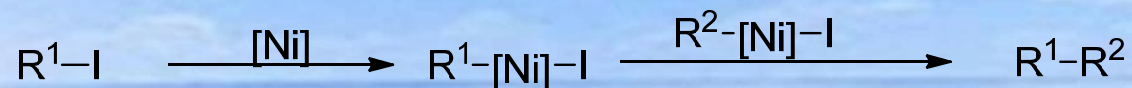
Radical chain mechanism

- Proportional to $[bromoalkane]^x [Ni]^y / [bromoarene]^z$
- PhI oxidative addition first
- Alkyl iodide transferred to alkyl radical
- Unrearranged/rearranged ratio dependent on nickel concentration

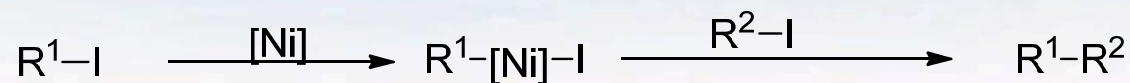


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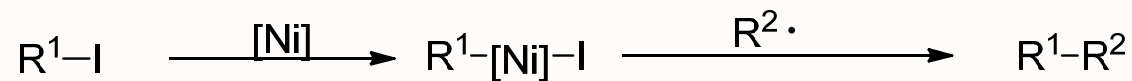
$C_{sp^3}-C_{carbonyl}$ *without reduction of intermediate*



$C_{carbonyl}-C_{sp^3}$, $C_{sp^3}-C_{sp^3}$ *reduction of intermediate*



$C_{sp^2}-C_{sp^3}$ *reduction of intermediate*





Thanks!