

# Copper-Catalyzed Cross-Nucleophile Alkylarylation of Vinylarenes with Two Different Boronic Acids

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Key words

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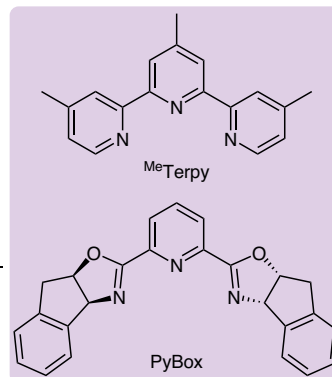
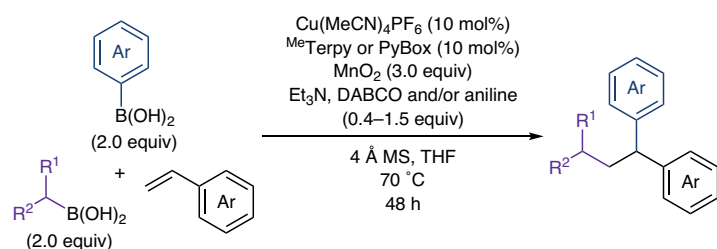
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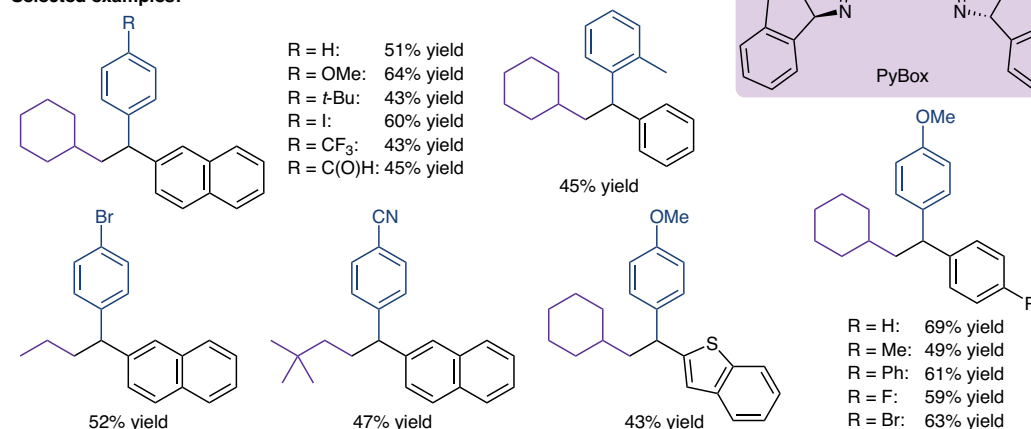
cross-nucleophile coupling

1,1-diaryllalkanes

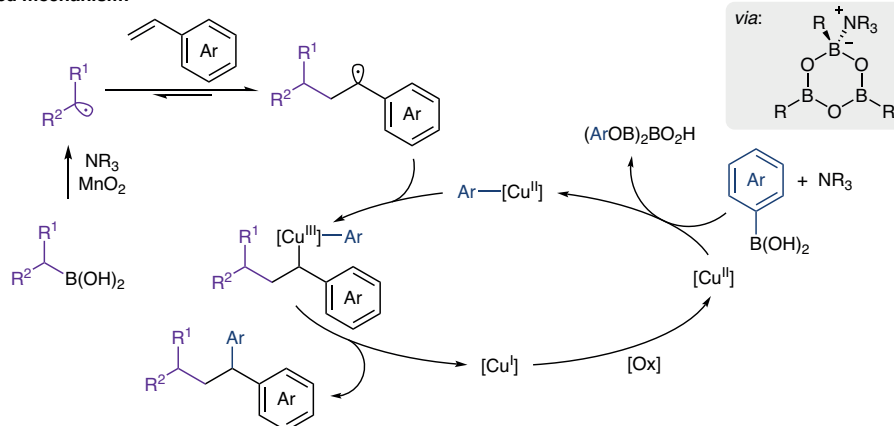
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## Selected examples:



## Proposed mechanism:



**Significance:** Hull and co-workers report an oxidative cross-nucleophile strategy for the alkylarylation of vinyl arenes using two different boronic acids. This operationally simple and scalable protocol provides straightforward access to 1,1-diaryllalkanes.

**Comment:** Mechanistic investigations support the shown mechanism. Lewis pair formation of the in situ formed boroxines and the added amine was found to be crucial for this transformation (see gray box).