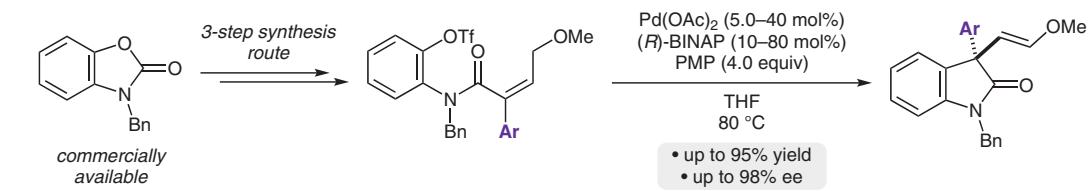
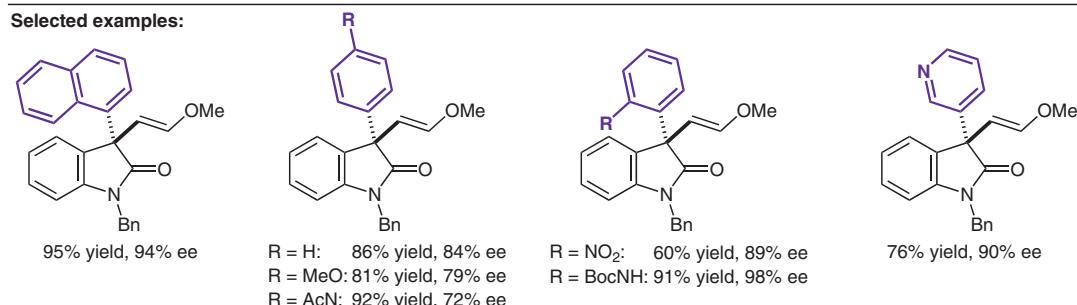


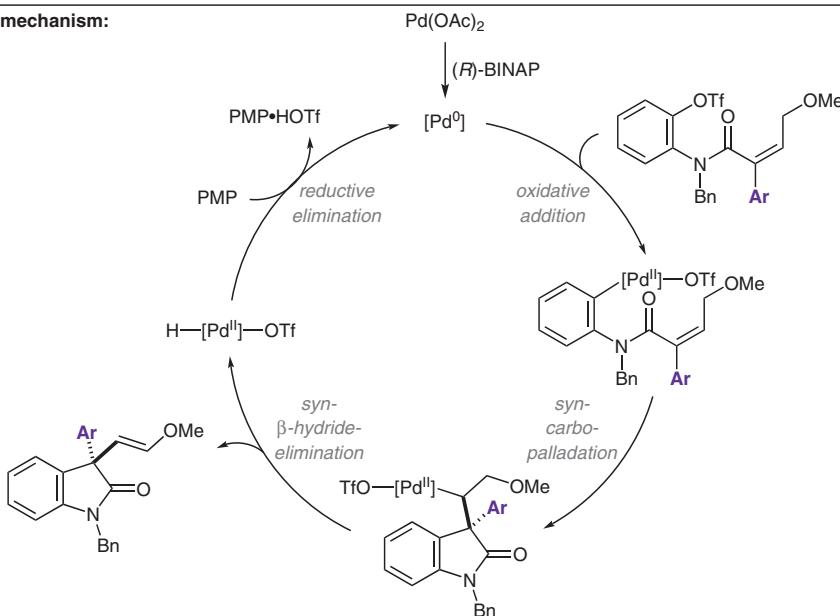
The Overman Asymmetric Intramolecular Heck Reaction for the Synthesis of 3-Alkyl-3-Aryloxindoles



Selected examples:



Proposed mechanism:



Significance: In 2003, Overman and co-workers disclosed a palladium(0)-catalyzed asymmetric intramolecular Heck cyclization to form oxindoles with an all-carbon quaternary stereocenter in high enantioselectivities.

Comment: The synthesis of 3-alkyl-3-aryloxindoles by catalytic enantioselective Heck cyclization was implemented in the total synthesis of several natural products.

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