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PALLADIUM-CATALYZED SYNTHESIS OF ARYLAMINES FROM DIPHENYLIODONIUM TETRAFLUOROBORATE AND SECONDARY AMINE

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Abstract: The hetero-cross coupling reaction of diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate with secondary amine in the presence of LiNTMS₂ or NaOtBu as base, $Pd_2(dba)_3$ ·CHCl₃ as catalyst, and tri-*o*-tolylphosphine as ligand afforded arylamines at room temperature under mild conditions.

The arylamines are considerably important in a variety of synthetic and naturally occuring biologically active compounds. Synthetic methods for the construction of the carbon-nitrogen bond in arylamines are limited and these methods¹ rely on copper-mediated Ullmann condensation which needs

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high temperature, or nucleophilic aromatic substitution of N-nucleophiles with activated aromatic substrates. In 1994, Hartwig² and Buchwald³ indepently reported palladium-catalyzed amination of aryl bromides with aminostannanes to give arylamines by the modification of Migita's transamination reaction. ⁴ Recently, Buchwald⁵ and Hartwig⁶ reported the first catalytic aminations of aryl bromides with free amines. In these reactions, the coupling occurred in the presence of sterically hindered bases such as NaOtBu and LiNTMS₂ at temperatures of 65~110 °C. In our attempts to find an alternative to aryl bromides for reactions at mild conditions, we focused our attention to diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate.⁷ We now report palladium-catalyzed hetero-coupling of diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate with secondary amines at ambient temperature, which is shown in Scheme 1.

$$Ph_{2}I^{+}BF_{4}^{-} + HN X \xrightarrow{Pd(cat.)} P(o-Tol)_{3}$$
base
$$1 \qquad 2a X = CH_{2}$$

$$2b X = O \qquad 3a X = CH_{2}$$

$$3b X = O$$

$$Ph_{2}I^{+}BF_{4}^{-} + HNR_{1}R_{2} \xrightarrow{Pd(cat.)} PhNR_{1}R_{2}$$

$$PhNR_{1}R_{2} \xrightarrow{Pd(cat.)} PhNR_{1}R_{2}$$

$$PhNR_{1}R_{2}$$

$$P$$

Entry	Amine	Catalyst ^a	Ligand	Base	Product	Yield(%) ^b
1		Pd2(dba)3•CHCl3	P(o-Tol)3	LiNTMS ₂	Ph-N	62
	2a				3a	
2	2a	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ •CHCl ₃	P(o-Tol)3	NaOtBu	3a	64
3	2a	Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ •CHCl ₃	Ph ₃ As	LiNTMS ₂	3a	61
4	2a	Pd/C	P(o-Tol) ₃	LiNTMS ₂	3a	61
5	2a	Pd/C	P(o-Tol)3	NaOtBu	3a	65
6	HNO	Pd2(dba)3•CHCl3	P(o-Tol)3	NaOtBu	Ph-N_O	69
	2b				3 b	
. 7		Pd ₂ (dba) ₃ •CHCl ₃	P(o-Tol)3	NaOtBu	PhNiPr ₂	54
	2 c				3c	
8	Me−Ń∩Ph H	Pd2(dba)3•CHCl3	P(o-Tol)3	NaOtBu	Me-N^Ph Ph	48
	2d				3d	

Table 1. Palladium-Catalyzed Amination of Diphenyliodonium Tetrafluoroborate (1)

^a Pd₂(dba)₃•CHCl₃ (5 mol %) or Pd/C (10 mol %) was used.

^b The yields are isolated yields.

The results are summarized in Scheme 1 and Table 1. To optimize the reaction conditions, a series of experiments have been carried out (entries 1-5). The palladium catalyst, $Pd_2(dba)_3$ -CHCl₃ and Pd/C were suitable as Pd(0) source. Of the ligands tested, $P(o-tolyl)_3$ and Ph_3As were the best choices. The

reactions were carried out in the presence of stoichiometric amounts of sterically hindered LiNTMS₂ or NaOrBu. Diphenyliodonium tetrafloroborate **1** was reacted with piperidine in the presence of palladium(0) bis(tri-*o*-tolylphosphine) complex and LiNTMS₂ at room temperature for 2 h to obtain **3a**⁸ in 62% yield(entry 1 in Table 1). Under similar conditions with NaOrBu as base, N-phenylpiperidine **3a** was obtained in 64% yield (entry 2). As ligand, triphenylarsine could also be used (entry 3). With Pd/C as Pd(0) source, in the presence of ligand bis(tri-*o*-tolylphosphine)complex and LiNTMS₂ or NaOrBu as base, compound **3a** was obtained in 61% and 65% respectively (entries 4 and 5). Morpholine and diisopropylamine were also utilized as secondary amine components for hetero-cross coupling with diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate **1** to furnish N-phenylmorpholine (**3b**)⁸ and diisopropyl-phenylamine(**3c**),⁹ respectively (entries 6 and 7). Finally, N-benzylaniline was coupled with diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate to afford N,N-diphenyl-benzylamine(**3d**)¹⁰ (entry 8).

Experimental Section

Typical procedure. Preparation of N-phenylpiperidine (**3a**). To a stirred solution of diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate (1) (100 mg, 0.27 mmol) in dioxane (4 mL) was added $Pd_2(dba)_3$ ·CHCl₃ (14 mg, 5 mol %) and P(*o*-tolyl)₃ (8 mg, 10 mol %) followed by piperidine (35 mg, 0.41 mmol) and 1 M LiNTMS₂ in tetrahydrofuran (0.32 mL, 0.32 mmol) and stirred for 2 h at room temperature. The solvent was evaporated *in vacuo* and the crude product was purified by SiO₂ column chromatography (ethyl acetate/hexane = 1 : 10,

Rf = 0.62) to afford N-phenyl piperidine (27 mg, 62%). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 1.59(m, 2H), 1.72 (m, 4H), 3.16 (t, 4H, J = 5.3 Hz), 6.83 (t, 1H, J = 3.5 Hz), 6.76 (d, 2H, J = 7.1 Hz), 7.25 (m, 2H). IR (neat) 3204, 3056, 1600, 1453, 1205, 739 cm⁻¹. MS (m/e) 161(M⁺), 160 (base peak), 77.

N-Phenylmorpholine (**3b**). TLC, SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane = 1 : 10, Rf = 0.54. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 3.16 (t, 4H, J = 4.8 Hz), 3.87 (t, 4H, J = 4.8 Hz), 6.90 (m, 3H), 7.28 (m, 2H). IR (KBr) 3267, 3055, 1603, 1459, 740 cm⁻¹. MS (m/e) 163 (M⁺), 105 (base peak).

N,N-Diisopropylaniline (3c). TLC, SiO₂, ethyl acetate/hexane = 1 : 10, Rf = 0.78. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 1.20 (d, 12H, J = 6.7 Hz), 3.76 (sept, 2H, J = 6.7 Hz), 6.77 (t, 1H, J = 7.2 Hz), 6.91 (d, 2H, J = 8.6 Hz), 7.19 (dd, 2H, J = 8.6, 7.2 Hz). IR (neat) 3057, 2960, 1600, 1453, 1121, 703 cm⁻¹. MS (m/e) 177 (M⁺), 120 (base peak).

N-Methyl-N-phenyl-benzenemethanamine (3d). TLC, SiO₂ ethyl acetate/ hexane = 1 : 10, Rf = 0.56. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz) δ 3.02 (s, 3H), 4.54 (s, 2H), 6.74 (m, 3H), 7.20~7.31 (m, 7H). IR (neat) 3042, 2870, 1608, 1484, 1312, 758 cm⁻¹. MS (m/e) 197 (M+), 91 (base peak).

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