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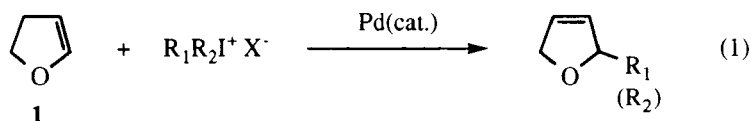
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Abstract: The palladium-catalyzed arylation and vinylation of 2,3-dihydrofuran with aryl and alkenyl iodonium salts afforded 2-phenyl- or 2-alkenyl-2,5-dihydrofurans at room temperature in an aqueous medium.

Recently, the palladium-catalyzed arylation and alkenylation of 2,3-dihydrofuran (**1**)¹ has attracted considerable interest since it offers the possibility of carrying out asymmetric coupling reactions,² as well as providing an indirect approaches to acetate and anti-alcohol products.³ Usually, palladium-catalyzed arylation of 2,3-dihydrofuran affords the thermodynamically more stable 2-aryl-substituted 2,3-dihydrofurans. Larock reported^{1a-b} that palladium-catalyzed arylation and vinylation of 2,3-dihydrofuran in the presence of stoichiometric amount of silver carbonate provides the less stable 2-substituted 2,5-dihydrofurans. In connection with our projects to utilize iodonium salts in palladium-catalyzed reactions,⁴ we wish to report the palladium-catalyzed substitution of 2,3-dihydro-

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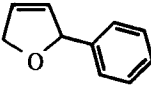
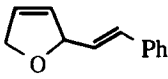
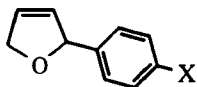

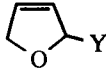

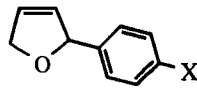
furan (**1**) with hypervalent iodonium salts in aqueous medium¹⁸ to afford 2-substituted 2,5-dihydrofurans in the absence of silver salts at ambient temperature (Eq. 1).



The arylation and vinylation of 2,3-dihydrofuran with iodonanes is summarized in Table 1. The diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate (**2a**)^{5a} was coupled with the 2,3-dihydrofuran in the presence of 1,8-bis(N,N-dimethylamino) naphthalene (proton sponge) and palladium acetate (0.5 mol %) in CH₃CN/H₂O (4:1) for 10 min to afford 2-phenyl-2,5-dihydrofuran (**5a**) in 82% yield (entry 1 in Table 1). Using alkenyl(phenyl)iodonium tetrafluoroborate **3**^{5a} under similar conditions, 2-alkenyl-substituted 2,5-dihydrofuran **6** was obtained as the sole product in 73% yield (entry 2). Coupling of *p*-tolyl(phenyl)iodonium tetrafluoroborate (**2b**)^{5a} with 2,3-dihydrofuran (**1**) afforded 2-*p*-tolyl-substituted and 2-phenylsubstituted 2,5-dihydrofurans, **5b** and **5a** in 54% and 30% yields, respectively (entry 3). However, when triflate salt **2c**^{5b} was used, **5b** and **5a** were obtained in 39% and 45% yields, respectively (entry 4). We have also coupled 2,3-dihydrofuran (**1**) with 2-thienyl(phenyl) iodonium tetrafluoroborate **2d**^{5a} and tosylate **2e**^{5c} to afford 2-thienyl- and 2-phenyl-substituted 2,5-dihydrofurans **5c** and **5a** in the ratio of 47 : 30 and 49 : 33, respectively (entries 5 and 6). Finally, the reaction of the iodane, μ -oxobis[(trifluoromethanesulfonato)(phenyl)iodine] (**4**)⁶ known as Zefirov's reagent with 2,3-dihydrofuran (**1**) afforded *p*-iodophenyl- or phenyl-substituted 2,5-dihydrofurans **5d** and **5a** in 57% and 43% yields, respectively (entry 7).

In summary, facile palladium-catalyzed cross-coupling of 2,3-dihydrofuran with iodonanes has been carried out at room temperature under aqueous conditions.

Table 1. Palladium-Catalyzed Arylation and Vinylation of Iodinanes with 2,3-Dihydrofuran (1)^a

Entry	Iodinanes	Product ^b
1	$\text{Ph}_2\text{I}^+\text{BF}_4^-$ 2a	 5a (82%)
2	$\text{Ph}-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{I}^+\text{Ph BF}_4^-$ 3	 6 (73%)
3	$p\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{I}^+\text{Ph BF}_4^-$ 2b	 5b X = Me 5a X = H (54 : 30)
4	$p\text{-CH}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{I}^+\text{Ph}^-\text{OTf}$ 2c	5b + 5a (39 : 45)
5	 2d	 5c Y = 2-thienyl + 5a (47 : 30)
6	 2e	5c + 5a (49 : 30)
7	$\text{TfO}-\text{I}-\text{O}-\text{I}-\text{OTf}$ $\text{Ph} \qquad \text{Ph}$ 4	 5d X = I 5a X = H (57 : 43)

^a All the reactions were run in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (4 : 1) at room temperature in the presence of proton sponge and $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (0.5 mol %) for 10 min.

^b The yields are isolated yields.

Experimental Section

Typical Procedure.

Preparation of 2-phenyl-2,5-dihydrofuran (**5a**)

To a stirred solution of diphenyliodonium tetrafluoroborate (0.80 g, 2.17 mmol) and proton sponge (1.40 g, 6.53 mmol) and $\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2$ (2.5 mg, 0.5 mol %) in $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (4 : 1) (5 mL) was added 2,3-dihydrofuran (**1**) (0.76 g, 10 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 min and quenched with saturated NH_4Cl solution (5 mL), and then extracted with ether (2 X 10 mL). The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO_4 and evaporated *in vacuo*. The crude product was separated by SiO_2 column chromatography ($\text{EtOAc}/\text{hexanes}$ 1 : 30, R_f = 0.30) to give **5a** (0.26 g, 82%). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 4.80(m, 1H), 4.88(m, 1H), 5.80(m, 1H), 5.90(m, 1H), 6.05(m, 1H), 7.29 ~ 7.38(m, 5H). IR(neat) 3028, 2964, 1612, 1598, 1472, 890 cm^{-1} . MS (m/e) 146(M^+), 117, 115, 105(base peak), 91, 77.

2-(*p*-Tolyl)-2,5-dihydrofuran (**5b**) ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 2.35(s, 3H), 4.77(m, 1H), 4.86(m, 1H), 5.77(m, 1H), 5.88(m, 1H), 6.04(m, 1H), 7.15 ~ 7.21(m, 4H). IR(neat) 3034, 2932, 1621, 1601, 1481, 1372 cm^{-1} . MS (m/e) 160(M^+), 145, 131, 119(base peak), 115, 91.

2-(2'-Thienyl)-2,5-dihydrofuran (**5c**) ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 4.72(m, 1H), 4.85(m, 1H), 5.94(m, 1H), 6.04(m, 1H), 6.09(m, 1H), 6.98(m, 2H), 7.27(m, 1H). IR(neat) 3098, 1594, 1400, 925, 857, 830 cm^{-1} . MS (m/e) 152(M^+), 146, 117, 115, 105(base peak), 91, 77.

2-(*p*-Iodophenyl)-2,5-dihydrofuran (**5d**) ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 4.77(m, 1H), 4.83(m, 1H), 5.72(m, 1H), 5.84(m, 1H), 6.03(m, 1H), 7.05(m, 2H), 7.66(m, 2H). IR(neat) 3048, 2991, 1608, 1594, 1465, 884 cm^{-1} . MS (m/e) 272(M^+), 270, 231, 145, 115(base peak), 69.

2-(2'- *trans*-Styryl)-2,5-dihydrofuran (**6**) ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz) δ 4.70(m, 1H), 4.77(m, 1H), 5.40(m, 1H), 5.82(m, 1H), 5.98(m, 1H), 6.17(dd, $J = 15.8, 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 6.61(d, $J = 15.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.24 ~ 7.40(m, 5H). IR(neat) 3054, 1640, 1610, 1455, 894, 722 cm^{-1} . MS (m/e) 172(M^+ , base peak), 142, 129, 116, 104, 92.

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