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Abstract

Mechanistic studies on the palladium catalyzed **C-N** bond-forming reaction were carried out to generate a more complete understanding of the catalytic cycle. To understand this reaction, several kinetic studies employing simple aryl halide and amine coupling partners were performed to elucidate unknown reaction pathways.

Chapter 1. The resting state for the palladium catalyzed cross-coupling of various diarylamines and aryl halides is found to be the diphenylamido complex. Kinetic studies of the catalytic reaction are used to generate an Eyring plot. Hammett studies were performed for both the aryl halide and diarylamine coupling partners. The rates of reductive elimination for catalysts based on the biaryl ligands XPhos, CyJohnPhos, CPhos, BrettPhos, RuPhos, and SPhos were evaluated. Analogues of SPhos demonstrated that electron-donation of the lower aryl group is key to the stability of the amido complex in accordance with theoretical calculations. The methoxy substituent at the **C3** position is demonstrated to retard the overall rate of reductive elimination for a RuPhos-BrettPhos hybrid ligand. These studies demonstrate that reductive elimination is likely not a problematic step for **C-N** cross-couplings.

Chapter 2. Kinetic experiments demonstrated an inverse dependence on the concentration of both amine and aryl halide coupling partners. These observations are demonstrated to be valid for several amine classes, aryl halides, and biaryl ligands. Some work is done to demonstrate mechanistic overlap with other bidentate ligands. Based on these studies, a simplified reaction

network for oxidative addition is proposed which reproduces key features of the experimental system.

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Introduction

The **C-N** palladium catalyzed cross-coupling reaction finds its greatest utility in the pharmaceutical industries. The coupling of aryl halides with various amines allows the medicinal chemist to quickly generate small and varied quantities of coupled products. These products can then be evaluated for their biological activity towards the identification of a therapeutic drug.

Given its application in drug development, much of the effort spent on improving this technology is oriented towards the development of wider substrate scope. This is often accomplished **by** screening supporting ligands, coupling partners, and palladium sources (e.g., Pd₂(dba)₃, Pd(OAc)₂). Based on the results of these experiments and with some chemical intuition, newer generations of supporting ligands (and new methods) are developed that facilitate the coupling of more challenging coupling partners.

Given the importance of this reaction, a multitude of different supporting ligands have been employed and/or developed. Some examples include **BINAP,** DPPF, XantPhos, JosiPhos, and trialkylphosphines.¹⁻⁸ The use of dialkylbiarylphosphines have been extensively developed for this application. This type of ligand was first introduced in **1998,** and further work has led to a wide range of variations, some examples of which are given in the Scheme **0-1.9**

Scheme 0-1 Examples of dialkylbiarylmonophosphine ligands developed **by** the Buchwald Group.

These ligands have found application in other cross-coupling reactions such as the Negishi,¹⁰ Suzuki,¹¹⁻¹² and Kumada cross-coupling reactions.¹³ They have also found use in the formation of **C-0** and **C-F** bonds and aryl trifluoromethylation.14-¹⁶

Given the diversity of the supporting ligands used for this reaction, it is important to bring attention to the diversity of palladium sources. The most common examples are PdCl₂, Pd(OAc)₂, Pd(dba)₂, Pd₂(dba)₃, and ((cinnamyl)PdCI)₂. In the case of Pd(II) complexes such as Pd(OAc)₂, the palladium must first be reduced *in situ* before it can enter the catalytic cycle. One such pathway involves the sacrificial oxidation of the phosphine ligand which requires excess ligand (relative to the palladium) and may not be desirable if the ligand is valuable. In the case of $Pd(0)$ sources such as $Pd(dba)₂$, the coordination of the dibenzylideneacetone to the palladium can mitigate the activity of the palladium.

To address these problematic steps, pre-catalysts based on oxidative addition complexes that approximate "on-cycle" palladium intermediates have been developed. In principle, the employment of these reagents pre-empt the question of in situ reduction or the introduction of deleterious ligands. Several generations have been developed with emphasis on shelf-life, mild activation, and ease of preparation as driving rationales (Scheme 0-2).¹⁷

Given the breadth and utility of the dialkylbiaryl monophosphine ligand class and the mechanistically useful development of well-defined palladium sources, we felt that an in depth kinetic study with a goal of identifying unrecognized pathways for the **C-N** cross-coupling reaction was warranted.

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1. Reductive Elimination of Biaryl Phosphine based Pd(lI) Amido Complexes

1.1. Introduction

As shown in Figure **1-1,** the palladium catalyzed **C-N** cross-coupling reaction mechanism is depicted as occurring through four palladium intermediates. An LPd⁰ (I) complex undergoes oxidative addition with an aryl halide to afford complex **II** which undergoes ligand substitution with the amine substrate to form **III.** Intermediate **Ill** then reacts with a base, often referred to as a "deprotonation" step, to form a palladium amido complex **IV.**

Mechanistic studies based on biaryl supporting ligands would add significantly to our understanding of how this reaction works.' This ligand class is employed for not only the **C-N** cross coupling reaction, but also other bond forming reactions (e.g. **C-F, C-CF 3, C-C,** and **C-0).** Thus studies of **C-N** reductive elimination for this ligand class, may give insight into other coupling reactions.

Figure 1-1 Prototype cycle for **C-N** coupling reaction

Since reductive elimination of **IV** is the implicated bond-forming step for the Buchwald-Hartwig **C-N** cross-coupling, studies of this elementary step are important for future development of these reactions. Shortly after the first publications on tin-free palladium catalyzed C-N cross-coupling,² Boncella was first to report the synthesis of a square planar $trans$ -(PMe₃)₂PdPh(NHPh) complex.³ For reductive elimination to occur, the complex must first isomerize so that the phenyl and anilide are in a *cis* configuration. However, thermolysis of this complex at 90 °C resulted in the loss of the volatile PMe₃ and the formation of a palladium dimer with bridging anilide ligands. Further heating at 110 °C, resulted in the reductive elimination of diphenylamine. Hartwig has published several studies investigating amido complexes based on the bidentate 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene (DPPF). DPPF, being bidentate naturally enforces the cis configuration necessary for reductive elimination. **A** diarylamido complex employing DPPF as a supporting ligand underwent reductive elimination at **85 *C.** Analogous anilide and alkylide complexes underwent reductive elimination at **25 *C** and **0 *C** in similar time frames. Hammett studies performed with diarylamido and anilide derivative complexes demonstrated that more nucleophilic amines and more electron deficient aryl groups favor greater rates of reductive elimination. These studies parallel conclusions drawn from different amine classes (diarylamines, N-alkyl aniline, dialkyamines, and alkyl amines), wherein amido complexes with more nucleophilic amines are less stable towards reductive elimination.³

Hartwig also successfully synthesized a T-shaped diarylamido palladium complex with **P('Bu) ³**as the supporting ligand. This complex was derived from a diarylamine with four **-CF3** substituents and an aryl substituent containing a methoxy substituent in the para position of the aryl ring thus making the aryl coupling partner electron-rich. Even with the inherent biases of an extremely electron deficient amine and an electron rich electrophile this complex underwent reductive elimination at ambient temperatures thus providing a compelling experimental demonstration that three coordinate complexes readily undergo reductive elimination.^{3e}

Prior to this particular example, Hoffman performed extended Hückel theory calculations which rationalized the difference in transition state energies. In modeling the ligands of a square planar complex as a set of s-orbitals (hydride model) of different energies and sizes, Hoffman found that the energy increase of the a_1 symmetric molecular orbital is the major contributor to the reductive elimination activation energy. In the case of a three coordinate complex, the energy of the a_1 molecular orbital at the transition state geometry is significantly decreased.⁴

These findings have significant implications for biaryl ligands. Though often referred to as monodentate, the "lower" aryl ring of dialkylbiarylphosphine behaves as a hemilabile coordinating group. Therefore these supporting ligands can reasonably be described as having bidentate characteristics. Due to the relatively poor coordinating ability of the bottom ring, we might rationalize that these biaryl supporting ligands will have rates of reductive elimination that are intermediate fully bidentate ligands such as DPPF and monodentate ligands such as $P(^tBu)_3$

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1.2. Results

1.2.1. Recognition of rate-limiting step and Isolation of a diphenylamido complex

During studies of the overall kinetics of the **C-N** coupling reaction, we found that the rate of the coupling reaction of diphenylamine and 3-bromoanisole was independent of the concentration of all substrates (NaOtBu, diphenylamine, and 3-bromoanisole). Observation of the reaction **by** 31P-NMR at room temperature indicated a single phosphine containing palladium species at **33** ppm. The observation of pseudo-zero order kinetics is consistent with several possible rate-determining steps- some examples are as follows:

- **1)** Formation of the active catalyst from a palladium dimer or aggregate
- 2) Association of the supporting ligand L1 with an "off-cycle" palladium complex to form the active catalyst.
- **3)** Intra-molecular isomerization
- 4) Dissociative loss of a ligand
- **5) C-N** reductive elimination

The first possibility is not supported since the reaction was found to be directly proportional the catalyst loading. Additional ligand L1, did not appreciably affect the reaction thus ruling out the second scenario as a possibility. Isolation of the diphenylamido complex and comparison of its rate of reductive elimination with the values measured from studies of the catalytic reaction is the most reasonable manner in which to demonstrate that the 5th scenario is correct. We thus proceeded to derive a kinetic model of the reaction to indirectly calculate the stability of this complex.

Assuming reductive elimination is the rate-determining step, examination of the prototype reaction mechanism (Figure **1-1)** allows us to derive a relationship between the time for the reaction to go to completion and the rate constant for reductive elimination k_{RE} (see experimental section). The quantity Pd_{ratio} is the molar ratio of palladium to the limiting reagent. The parameter c is the conversion of the limiting reagent and takes a value between **0** and **1.** The parameter $\tau_{R X N}$ is the time at which the reaction ends.

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k_{\rm RE} = \frac{1}{(\rm Pd_{ratio})} \frac{dc}{dt}
$$

$$
k_{RE} = \frac{1}{(Pd_{ratio}) \tau_{RXN}}
$$

Using the differential equation 1.1 a, the reaction was monitored **by GC** measurements (see Section 1.4.5 for details). At **110, 100,** and **90 *C,** multiple catalyst loadings were used to obtain the rate constant for reductive elimination (Chart **1-1)** at each of these temperature. At a temperature of 78 °C, the reaction was heterogeneous and thus the kinetic measurements employing the reaction vessels **(5** mm NMR tubes which could not be equipped with stir bars) were unreliable. Calorimetry (which employs stirring) was instead used and the integral form of the rate law (equation **1.1 b)** was used to obtain the rate constant.

Chart 1-1 A) Reaction Kinetics for different catalyst loadings at **110 *C.** B) Different catalyst loadings for **100 *C. C)** Different Catalyst Loadings for **90 *C. D)** Calorimetry was used to obtain last data points at **78 *C.**

These data were then combined in the form of an Eyring Plot as shown in Figure 1-2. We should point out that this is an indirect measure of the rate constant for reductive elimination as the calculation assumes that all the palladium in the reaction exists as the diphenylamido complex **(IV).** We specifically chose a high yielding reaction **(>95 %)** in an attempt to avoid (or minimize) a scenario where the palladium is occupied in parasitic processes (for example dehalogenation of the aryl halide).

We should note that we do not see any curvature in the Eyring plot, which indicates that the reductive elimination is well-described **by** a single rate constant. Curvature would indicate more than one rate constant (with dissimilar enthalpies of activation) plays a role in the reductive elimination step.

Figure 1-2 Eyring plot based on kinetic studies of the catalytic reaction. The table inset contains calculated halflives for the amido complex (A1a/IV) based on the regression analysis

From this plot, we arrive at an enthalpy and entropy of activation comparable to that that seen for platinum based complexes.⁵ These data allow for the indirect calculation of the half-life for the amido complex at various temperatures. As shown in the table inset for Figure 1-2, the half-life at ambient temperatures **(>3** h at **<** 40 **0C)** indicates that **Ala** is stable to reductive elimination.

With this information in hand, we proceeded to synthesize an oxidative addition complex **OAla** derived from **Li** and 3-bromoanisole. To this complex was added an excess of lithium diphenylamide which formed the diphenylamido complex **Ala** as a bright red solid. 31P-NMR spectroscopy gave a single observable resonance at **33** ppm that matched the value taken from the catalytic reaction.

> **Scheme 1-1 Preparation** of oxidative addition complex **OAla and corresponding** diphenylamido complex **Ala.**

Having isolated A1a we then measured its rate of reductive elimination at 40 °C and 50 °C. We found that A1a underwent reductive elimination as a 1st order process with half-lives corresponding to 140 minutes and 42 minutes respectively. These half-lives compared

reasonably well to the predicted values **(213** and **58** minutes) obtained from kinetic studies of the catalytic reaction (Figure 1-2). The reason for the discrepancy can be attributed to several factors:

- **1)** The calculation of the rate constant under catalytic conditions inherently overestimates the stability of the amido complex since this does not consider other elementary steps such as oxidative addition, "off-cycle" palladium complexes, or low level impurities that may deactivate or occupy a portion of the catalyst.
- 2) The measurement of the rate constant from the catalytic studies is done at a temperature range of 78 to 110 °C. The measurement of the rate constant for reductive elimination of the isolated complex **A1a** was performed at 40 °C and 50 °C which is well outside the range of temperature for the catalytic reaction. Small changes or experimental errors in the linear regression for the catalytic reaction, will have larger effects the further the extrapolation.
- 3) The effect of changing solvent from 1,4-dioxane to benzene- d_6 (and solvated NaOtBu, diphenylamine, and 3-bromoanisole) has an unknown role on the measured rate of reductive elimination.

This complex was dissolved in a minimum of dichloromethane (\sim 0.1 mL) to which pentane was layered. The solution was cooled to -20 °C and crystals grown that were suitable for x-ray analysis (Figure **1-3).**

Figure **1-3** ORTEP Diagram for Amido Complex **Ala** and numbering scheme for biaryl motif.

As shown in Figure **1-3,** the aryl group is cis to the coordinating phosphine. Given that phosphines and aryl substituents are both considered high trans-effect ligands, this is configuration is consistent with a "transphobic" effect.⁶ The complex has a square planar geometry consistent with a 16-electron **Pd(ll)** complex. The palladium is bound to the **C1'** carbon which is distorted from its expected sp² character. The deflection of C1, C1' and C4' from

linearity is 22°. The bond lengths between C1' and C2'/C6' atoms are longer than the typical length of aryl carbon-carbon bonds (1.42 **A** vs. **1.39 A).**

Note that the lower aryl ring is a hernilabile-coordinating group. As we will see later in this thesis, the electron donating ability of the lower aryl ring is key to stabilizing the amido complex. However, since this is a weakly coordinating group that can br displaced to form a palladium reservoir. In attempting to study amine exchange of the **Ala** with n-propylamine, we synthesized a ¹⁵N-enriched diphenylamine and used this starting material to synthesize and isolate an isotopically labeled $A1a$. This complex gave a similar $31P$ -NMR spectrum where the dominant resonance was observed as a doublet at **33** ppm **(J =** 44 Hz) due to phosphorus coupling with the nitrogen-15. By exposing **A1a** to a benzene- d_6 solution of *n*-propylamine and bromobenzene, rapid ligand exchange of the lower aryl ring occurred (Scheme 1-2). **A** new complex was observed **by** 31P-NMR at 48 ppm as a doublet **(J= 50** Hz), which indicated the diphenylamine was still bound to the palladium complex. At ambient temperatures, this complex would (slowly) form an unobserved n-propylamido complex **Al'** that undergoes reductive elimination immediately. This process was estimated to have a half-life of **10** minutes so that within an hour the reaction would be near completion. The formation of this complex is reversible and attempts to isolate the complex **by** removing solvent (absent aryl halide) under vacuum failed with re-isolation of A1a. We found this to be a surprising example of a reversible palladium reservoir, which may serve to retard the overall rate of reductive elimination.

Scheme 1-2 Reversible displacement of lower aryl ring affords an observable room temperature stable intermediate.

1.2.2. Hammett Studies

Having established that reductive elimination is the rate-determining step for the reaction of diphenylamine and 3-bromoanisole, we then investigated the role of aryl halide and diarylamine under both stoichiometric and catalytic reaction conditions. As was the case for the crosscoupling reaction of diphenylamine and 3-bromoanisole, the kinetics of the catalytic reaction were compared to the kinetics of the corresponding amido complexes.

Variation of the substituents on the aryl halide and on the diarylamine facilitated the elucidation of the role of the electronic properties for the coupling partners. Finding that P1 and **OAla** gave identical results, we opted to use **OAla** for these Hammett studies and varied the catalyst loading to obtain experimentally convenient reaction times. Since we were initially uncertain about the reliability of this experiment, we prepared separate batches of **OAla** for each run.⁷

For every substituted diarylamine (-H, p-OMe, m-OMe, p-CH₃, and p-N(CH₃)₂) cross-coupled with bromobenzene at **80 *C,** the rate law was consistent with reductive elimination as the ratedetermining step (Chart 1-2). Within experimental error, variation of catalyst loading gave the same rate constant. For example, the coupling of 4-methyl-N-phenylaniline with bromobenzene, was performed at **2.33,** 0.43, and 2.34 mol **% OAla** concentrations. Respectively, these reactions gave rate constants of 1.22, **1.07** and **1.06** [1/min] **by** application of equation **1.1b.** Most reactions were run with the amine in excess, however three examples were run with the amine as the limiting reagent as indicated in Chart 1-2.

Chart 1-2 Cross-coupling reactions of diarylamines with bromobenzene at 80 °C with OA1a at varied catalyst loadings.

In parallel with the diarylamine studies, reactions were run in which the identity of the aryl halide was varied. It was found that the aryl chlorides gave slightly diminished rates when compared to the corresponding aryl bromides (3-bromoanisole and bromobenzene) despite the fact that these reactions also gave rate laws where reductive elimination was the dominant ratedetermining step (Chart **1-3).** Such a discrepancy can likely be attributed to processes involving the chloride. One such possibility is that the rate constant for reductive elimination is comparable to the rate constant for oxidative addition. Another possibility is that the chloride anion (from NaCI) may play a role in the catalytic cycle as has been shown in the work of Amatore.⁸ We also cannot rule out simple catalyst decomposition as a possibility.

Chart 1-3 Coupling of various aryl halides with diphenylamines at **80 *C** with **OA1a** at various catalyst loadings. Note Chart **(D)** with the 3-chloroanisole reactions was investigated with a single batch of OA1a in simultaneously.

Having this data in hand, we prepared a series of oxidative addition complexes **(OAlb-OA1e**) corresponding to the different aryl halides (Table 1-1A). These OA complexes were stirred in the presence of the corresponding lithium diarylamide salt to afford the desired amido complexes **(Al b-Al** i) (Table **1-1B).**

Table 1-1 Synthesis of different oxidative complexes and their corresponding amido complexes

^aProduct could not be cleanly isolated at room temperature due to its instability towards reductive elimination

The amido complexes (with the exception of **Aib** and **Alf)** were found to be stable to reductive elimination at ambient temperatures. The complexes **Alb** and **Alf** could not be cleanly isolated due to their instability towards reductive elimination. Due to the limited solubility in 1,4-dioxane, the rate of reductive elimination of these complexes was monitored **by** 31P-NMR at 40 **0C** in benzene- d_6 with a triphenylphosphine capillary standard. The results from the $31P$ -NMR studies are summarized in Chart 1-4A (diarylamine) and Chart 1-4B (aryl halide).

Chart 1-4 31P-NMR studies of amido complexes based on substitute diarylamines **(A)** and substituted aryl groups (B)

Having obtained rate constants for reductive elimination via studies of the catalytic reaction at **80 OC** and the studies on the isolated amido complexes **(Ala-Ali),** we wanted to compare the

relative rates as a Hammett plot. As seen in Chart **1-5,** the overlay for both the "stoichiometric" and "catalytic" studies is satisfactory. There is however a significant discrepancy for the reactions employing 4-chlorobenzotrifluoride 4-N,N-dimethylaminodiphenylamine. The half-life for the reductive elimination of **Alb and Alf** is on the order of **10** minutes, which made an accurate measurement **by** 31P-NMR difficult and likely explains the discrepancy between the catalytic and stoichiometric-derived rate constants.

Chart 1-5 Hammett Plots comparing rate constants derived from studies of the catalytic reaction and kinetic studies of the corresponding amido complexes

^aAs determined from kinetics of the catalytic reaction at 80 °C. ^b Determined from the corresponding stoichiometric complex at 40 °C. ^cCorresponding complex could not be cleanly isolated. ^dValue taken from entry with R = H (catalytic) in Chart 1-5B. eThe regression for Chart **1-5A** excluded those values corresponding to aryl bromides. 'Rate constants derived from experiments of the catalytic reaction are averaged values from several runs.

The ρ value determined from the kinetics of the catalytic reaction for different aryl halides was 2.2 while the corresponding study for different diarylamines was **-1.1.** These studies demonstrate that amido palladium intermediates with electron-deficient aryl groups and/or electron-rich diarylamido groups undergo reductive elimination at increased rates. These values are consistent with other studies of heteroatom cross-coupling reactions.⁹

1.2.3. Catalytic studies with different Ligands

Having demonstrated an ability to correlate kinetic studies of the catalytic reaction with kinetic studies of the corresponding amido complexes (A1a-A1i), we turned our attention to the question of ligand structure. In cases where reductive elimination is not the rate determining step, equation 1.2 can be used to calculate a lower *limit* for the rate constant.

$$
k_{\rm RE} > \frac{1}{(\text{Pd}_{\text{ratio}})} \max\left(\frac{dc}{dt}\right) \tag{1.2a}
$$

$$
k_{RE} > \frac{1}{(\text{Pd}_{\text{ratio}}) \tau_{RXN}}
$$

Equation 1.2a can be applied **by** taking the value of the maximum reaction rate (in terms of conversion per unit time) for a particular reaction. The integral form **(Eq. 1.2b)** allows one to use the time for the reaction to go to completion to calculate a lower limit. In principle, equation 1.2a will always be more accurate (and thus compute a greater lower limit) when compared to equation **1.2b.** However equation **1.2b** is more straightforward to apply.

Employing the coupling of 3-bromoanisole and diphenylamine as a model reaction system, reactions were performed at **105 *C** with NaOtBu as the base. Because oxidative addition complexes similar to **OAla** could not be synthesized for all biaryl ligands, several different precatalysts were employed. For XPhos (L7) and SPhos (L2), we used 1st generation precatalysts developed **by** Biscoe.10 The SPhos **OA** complex **(A2)** could be cleanly synthesized while an XPhos based **OA** complex could not. For the RuPhos-BrettPhos hybrid ligand **(L3),** CPhos **(L9),** MethoxySPhos (L4), and AminoSPhos **(L5)** oxidative addition complexes were successfully synthesized and employed (Table 1-2).

Fink reported that the oxidative addition complex of CyJohnPhos **(L8)** was unstable, as the complex undergoes cyclopalladation with the "lower" aryl ring of the phosphine ligand.¹¹ We thus prepared an L₂Pd⁽⁰⁾ complex using CyJohnPhos (L8) for these studies.¹²

Table 1-2 Different ligands and corresponding oxidative complexes and precatalyst.

Having prepared a set of suitable catalyst sources (Table 1-2), we systematically measured the rates of reaction for the coupling of 3-bromoanisole and diphenylamine at 105 °C. For each ligand combination, a control experiment was simultaneously performed with **OAla.** Equation **1.2b** was used to establish the lower limit value for the rate constant of reductive elimination for those reaction not consistent with reductive elimination as a rate-determining step and this rate constant was indexed to the rate constant established with the OAla-based control reaction. For those reactions where the rate law was consistent with reductive elimination as a ratedetermining step equation **1.1b** was used.

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As summarized in Table **1-3,** reactions based on BrettPhos **(L6),** XPhos **(L7),** CyJohnPhos **(L8),** and CPhos **(L9)** afforded rates that were not consistent with reductive elimination as the rate-determining step. Reactions based on SPhos **(L2),** MethoxySPhos (L4), and AminoSPhos **(L5)** afforded rates consistent with reductive elimination as the ratedetermining step.

Given that the XPhos **(L7)** based catalyst afforded a rate that was **29** times faster than a RuPhos **(L1)** based reaction, we wondered whether only steric factors were playing a role. **A** comparison with the less sterically encumbered CyJohnPhos **(L8)** demonstrated that this reaction was 5.5 times faster than the reaction with a RuPhos (L1) based catalyst. Based on these two experiments, we could rule out steric factors as the sole reason for the increase in reaction rate relative to the RuPhos-based **(Li)** reaction.

In accordance with theoretical calculations, $4,13$ we hypothesized that the electrondonating character of the lower aryl ring was responsible for the stabilization of the diphenylamido complex **(IV).** The experiment with the SPhos **(L2)** based catalyst **(OA2)** gave a rate of reaction consistent with reductive elimination as the rate-determining step. Based on these results, we concluded that its corresponding amido complex **(A2)** had a rate constant for reductive elimination very close to that obtained for **Ala.** Given that methoxy- (SPhos/L2) and isopropoxy- (RuPhos/L1) substituents at the **C2'/C6'** positions should manifest similar electronic donating properties for the lower aryl ring, this result is not surprising. **By** adding substituents at the para position (C4') of SPhos **L2,** we synthesized two variants (MethoxySPhos/L4 and AminoSPhos/L5) with electron donating bottom rings to test the theoretical predictions. Indeed, we found that the use of MethoxySPhos **(L4)** based catalyst gave a rate that less than half that of the SPhos **(L2)** based catalyst. Likewise, the AminoSPhos **(L5)** based catalyst gave a rate of reaction that was less than one-tenth that of the SPhos **(L2)** based catalyst.

Table 1-3 Summary of different rate constants for various biaryl ligands

Rate law not consistent with reductive elimination as the rate determining step Relative rate is a lower limit for the rate of reductive elimination Rate law consistent with reductive elimination as the rate determining step

^aRelative rate refers to the time for the reaction to go to completion compared to the control reaction based on **OA1a. A** ratio of **0.5** means that the reaction takes twice as long compared to a reaction based on **OA1a** at the same catalyst loading

One anomalous example is the reaction with **OA9** (CPhos), where the rate was not consistent with reductive elimination as the rate-determining step. This reaction gave a rate that was **9.6** times faster than the reaction with QAla. Given that CPhos **L9** has two dimethyl amino groups on the lower aryl ring, the observation that the reaction goes to completion in such a short time is surprising. It has been previously argued the dimethyl amino groups are unable to attain a planar conformation due to the steric interference of the "upper" aryl ring **.14** This may result in the nitrogen lone pairs being unable to donate their electron density info the n-system of the "lower" aryl ring. **A** second explanation is that the dimethylamino groups themselves may serve as coordination sites as depicted in the Scheme **1-3.** The energy of the transition state for reductive elimination from such a configuration, maybe significantly lower than the transition state energy from the Cl' position.

Such a geometry would be analogous to the binding configuration of a BINAP-based catalyst. Several amido complexes based on DPPF have been isolated and characterized.³ However, no corresponding **BINAP** based amido complexes have been published despite the fact that **BINAP** is isolobal to DPPF. It seems likely that a **BINAP** based amido complex is less stable since the **BINAP** accommodates a skewed geometry. **If** this is true, the same reasoning may apply to the analogous CPhos **(L9)** based catalyst.

Scheme **1-3** Possible alternative binding mode which facilitates reductive elimination

1.2.4. Stoichiometric Studies with Different Biaryl Ligands

Having identified some ligand systems for which the rate law implies amido complex resting states, we synthesized the corresponding amido complexes (Table 1-4). Since the BrettPhos **(L6)** based amido complex could not be isolated due to its instability towards reductive elimination, a RuPhos-BrettPhos hybrid ligand **(L3)** was synthesized. The RuPhos-derived "lower" aryl ring of **L3** was used to stabilize the amido complex from reductive elimination while the BrettPhos-derived upper aryl ring probed the role of the methoxy substituent at **C3** in reductive elimination.

Having successfully synthesized these complexes, the rates of reductive elimination at **50** ${}^{\circ}$ C in benzene- d_6 by monitoring with ³¹P-NMR (Figure 1-4). The measured rate constants of reductive elimination for **A2, A4,** and **A5** compared well with those values determined **by** studies of the catalytic reaction.

^aRates of the catalytic reaction are reproduced from Table 1-3. ^bRate relative to reductive elimination of **Ala.**

Figure 1-4³¹ P-NMR experiments for the rate of reductive elimination

BrettPhos-based palladium(II) complexes exist as observable rotamers in solution. For the oxidative addition complexes **OA6** and **OA3,** the 1H- and 31P-NMR spectra are consistent with interconverting O-bound and C-bound isomers. Likewise, the 'H- and 31P-NMR spectra of **A3** are consistent with interconverting O-bound **(A3-0)** and C-bound **(A3-C)** rotamers (Figure **1-5).** The rate of reductive elimination for **A3** was approximately half that of the rate of reductive elimination for the **Li** based complex **(Ala),** which has the same "lower" aryl ring. **A** significant amount of complex **A3** exists as **A3-0.** Given that the rate constant for reductive elimination from the C-bound isomer **A3-C** should be similar to reductive elimination from **Ala** this would imply that rate constant for reductive elimination from the **A3-0** is significantly greater than the rate constant for reductive elimination from the **A3-C.** Thus, the rotamer **A3-0** acts as a palladium reservoir that retards the overall rate of reductive elimination.

Figure 1-5 Rate of reductive elimination as measured **by** 3 1P-NMR. Relative population of **A3-0** and **A3-C** is nearly constant.

To further bolster this argument, we obtained an X-ray crystal structure of **A3** to compare with **Ala.** As shown in Figure **1-6,** there are no significant structural differences in bond length or bond angles. This suggests that the methoxy substituent has little role in altering the steric or electronic properties of the C-bound isomer **(A3-C).**

Figure 1-6 ORTEP diagram for complex **A3.** Table compares bond length of **A3 and Ala.** Bond lengths are reported in Angstroms.

1.3. Summary

Via kinetic studies of the catalytic reaction, we have **by** indirect means determined the rate constant for reductive elimination of several **L1** amido complexes (Figure 1-2). With the realization that these complexes are stable at room temperature (Figure **1-3),** we were able to isolate several examples for the first time. Moreover, relative rates measured under catalytic and stoichiometric conditions were found to be in good agreement (Chart **1-5).**

By measuring the rate of reaction using model substrates (diphenylamine/3-bromoanisole), we were able to calculate a lower limit for the rate constant of reductive elimination for catalysts based on different supporting ligands. This approach was valid even in cases where the corresponding amido complexes could not be isolated (Table **1-3).** These studies also indicated that the electronic properties of the "lower" aryl ring were key to stabilizing these complexes toward reductive elimination. This finding was confirmed **by** isolating and characterizing the corresponding stable amido complexes and demonstrating corresponding rates of reductive elimination (Figure 1-4).

Surprisingly, the presence of a methoxy substituent at the **C3** position (Figure **1-5)** allowed the formation of an O-bound palladium isomer **(A3-0),** which retarded the overall rate of reductive elimination. As we will see in the next chapter of this thesis, the **C-N** cross-coupling reaction often forms "off-cycle" palladium species. It is quite likely that the methoxy substituent at the **C3** position facilitates "return" to an "on-cycle" species via an intramolecular ligand substitution. Contrary to previous hypothesis, the methoxy substituent probably does not facilitate the reductive elimination step.

In the context of previously reported palladium(II) amido complexes, the **Li** based palladium(II) amido complexes investigated in this study underwent reductive elimination at rates between those previously observed for T-shaped palladium(II) amido complexes and DPPF-based palladium(II) amido complexes.^{3e,4} Consistent with computational studies,^{4,13} complexes that were stable at room temperature required an electron-rich "lower" aryl ring to maximize coordination with the palladium and an electron-deficient secondary amine. Based on work by Hartwig and coworkers, palladium(II) amido complexes based on L1 with more nucleophilic amines, such as anilines, primary alkyl amines, alkyl N-substituted anilines, or secondary aliphatic amines, would undoubtedly undergo reductive elimination at room temperature.⁹ Notably, this study implies that reductive elimination is not a kinetically difficult step for a significant number of palladium-catalyzed **C-N** cross-coupling reactions employing

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biarylphosphine ligands. The work described in chapter 2 of this thesis will investigate the kinetics of other palladium-catalyzed amination reactions and the implications for the development of room temperature **C-N** cross-coupling reactions.

1.4. Experimental

1.4.1. Derivation of rate law

Figure 1-7 Prototype reaction mechanism. The highlighted (red) step corresponds to the rate-determining step (reductive elimination).

We write three differential equations for the catalytic cycle and a fourth equation for the total palladium species balance. We make a steady state assumption concerning the first three differential equations **by** setting them equal to zero thus turning these differential equations into algebraic equations.

$$
\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ [Pd]_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{d[2]}{dt} \\ \frac{d[3]}{dt} \\ \frac{d[4]}{dt} \\ [Pd]_0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{OA} & -k_F & k_R & 0 \\ 0 & k_F & -(k_D + k_R) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_D & -k_{RE} \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{bmatrix}
$$
 1.4.1

Application of Cramer's rule to the above matrix yields the solution for [4].

$$
\frac{k_{D}k_{F}k_{OA}}{k_{D}k_{F}k_{OA} + k_{D}k_{F}k_{RE} + k_{D}k_{OA}k_{RE} + k_{F}k_{OA}k_{RE} + k_{OA}k_{R}k_{RE}}[\text{Pd}]_{0} = [4] \tag{1.4.2}
$$

Multiplication of [4] by k_{RE} gives the rate law in terms of production of arylated product or the consumption of aryl halides.

$$
k_{RE} \frac{k_{D}k_{F}k_{OA}[\text{Pd}]_{0}}{k_{D}k_{F}k_{OA} + k_{D}k_{F}k_{RE} + k_{D}k_{OA}k_{RE} + k_{F}k_{OA}k_{RE} + k_{OA}k_{R}k_{RE}} = \frac{-d[\text{ArX}]}{\text{dt}}
$$
 1.4.3

We now insert substrate dependencies for k_{OA} , k_F , k_R , and k_D by writing them in terms of conversion, c, relative to a reference concentration $[ArX]_o$ and equivalents for amine A_o , aryl halide X_o , and base B_o as shown in equation 1.4.4.

$$
k_D \rightarrow k'_D (B_o - c) \tag{1.4.4a}
$$

$$
k_{\text{OA}} \rightarrow k'_{\text{OA}}(X_o - c) \tag{1.4.4b}
$$

$$
k_F \to k'_F (A_o - c) \tag{1.4.4c}
$$

$$
k_R \to k_R \tag{1.4.4d}
$$

$$
k_{\rm RE} \rightarrow k_{\rm RE} \tag{1.4.4e}
$$

$$
[ArX] = [ArX]_0(X_0 - c)
$$
 1.4.4f

Taking the above rate law (eq 1.4.3) and making the aforementioned substitutions (eq. 1.4.4) we rearrange the rate law to arrive at

$$
\frac{1}{\frac{1}{k_{RE}} + \frac{1}{k'_{OA}(X_o - c)} + \frac{1}{k'_F(A_o - c)} + \frac{1}{k'_D(B_o - c)} + \frac{k_R}{k'_D k'_F(B_o - c)(A_o - c)}} = \frac{[ArX]_0}{[Pd]_0} \frac{dc}{dt}
$$

While the above equation is analytically integrable, we now make an approximation where the reductive elimination rate constant is considered the smallest term so that

$$
\frac{1}{k_{RE}}>> \left\{\frac{1}{k'_{OA}(X_o-c)} + \frac{1}{k'_{F}(A_o-c)} + \frac{1}{k'_{D}(B_o-c)} + \frac{k_R}{k'_{D}k'_{F}(B_o-c)(A_o-c)}\right\}
$$
 1.4.6

which means we can write our equation **as....**

$$
k_{\rm RE} = \frac{[\text{ArX}]_0}{[\text{Pd}]_0} \frac{\text{dc}}{\text{dt}}
$$

 λ_0

We call this the differential form of the rate law. We note that $\frac{[Pd]_0}{[ArX]_0}$ is the molar ratio of palladium relative to the reference concentration. We write this now as *Pd_{ratio}* and integrate the rate law

$$
k_{\rm RE} P d_{ratio} \int_0^{\tau_{\rm Rxn}} 1 \, dt = \int_0^1 1 \, dc \tag{1.4.8}
$$

To arrive at the *integral form of the rate law* given in the earlier in this thesis.

$$
\frac{1}{P d_{ratio} \tau_{Rxn}} = k_{RE}
$$

With this rate law in hand we proceeded to indirectly measure the rate determining step **by** variation of both the catalyst loading and temperature in a catalytic reaction.

1.4.2. General Procedures

Calorimetry experiments were performed using an Omnical Insight Parallel Reaction Calorimeter (Figure **1-8).** Heating (or cooling) of the calorimeter was done via external recirculating baths (Anova **A-25** Refrigerated and Heating Circulator). An internal thermocouple in the circulating bath was used to provide closed-loop temperature control for the recirculating bath. The reaction temperature was measured at the calorimeter and maintained to within ± 2 ***C** of the values reported in the manuscript.

Data processing was done in Microsoft® Excel. The area under the curve was integrated to arrive at an energy value for the reaction and this value in conjunction with the conversion from **GC** was used to convert the rate of reaction in power (milliwatts) to the rate of reaction in terms of concentration (mM/min). The rate (represented in terms of power [mW]) is converted to concentration via the following equation.

$$
Rate(t)\left[\frac{mM}{min}\right] = \frac{Rate(t)[mW]}{\int_0^{\tau_{rxn}} Rate(t)[mW]dt}
$$
[Limiting *Reagent*] $\rho * Conversion$

The concentration of the reaction mixture for the limiting reagent is expressed in terms of molality. The density of several (heterogeneous) reaction mixtures was measured using a preweighed 5 mL volumetric flask. Multiple measurements indicated a variation of ±0.02 g/cm³ thus an average density of 1.04 g/cm³ was used for these calculations. The value of conversion or yield takes values between **0** and **1.** Since all the reactions go to completion, a value of **1** is used. The curves generated **by** calorimetry have not been signal-processed for the response

behavior of the calorimeter.

Figure 1-8 Omnical Calorimeter with circulating cooling/heating baths. Note: The "brand names" of the circulating coolers have been edited out of the picture

Reagents and solvents were used as received from Sigma-Aldrich. **All** new compounds were characterized **by** NMR spectroscopy, IR-spectroscopy (if air stable), and elemental analysis. Compounds that did not pass elemental analysis were analyzed **by** mass spectrometry. 1H-NMR, 13C-NMR, and 31P-NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova **500** MHz spectrometer (except where noted). *Note:* Many of the *'H-NMR* spectra indicate that the palladium amido complexes are fluxional. 19F-NMR and 31P-NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian Inova **300** MHz spectrometer. ¹H-NMR and ¹³C-NMR spectra were referenced to the residual solvent peak of the deuterated solvent. 31P-NMR spectra were referenced to **85** wt **%** phosphoric acid **(0** ppm). 19F-NMR spectra were referenced to trifluorotoluene **(-63.72** ppm). **All** heteronuclei NMR were collected with proton decoupling. ATR (diamond)-FTIR spectra were recorded on a Thermo Scientific Nicolet iS5 spectrometer. Melting points were measured for solids on a Mel-Temp capillary melting point apparatus. Elemental analyses were performed **by** Atlantic Microlabs Inc., Norcross, **GA.** Gas chromatography **(GC)** analyses were performed on an

Agilent **7890A** gas chromatograph with an FID detector using a **J&W** DB-1 column **(10** m, **0.1** mm **1.D.).**

1.4.3. General Calorimetry Procedure

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, a screw-cap sealable vial was charged with a stock solution of aryl halide, amine, base, and solvent. Aliquots were then loaded into **16** mL vials (Wheaton Vial, **16** mL **E-C** Vial, Cat **#** 224706) and the mass of each aliquot was recorded. The vials were equipped with a stir bar and then sealed with a silicon rubber/Teflon-laminated septum (ThermoScientific, **10/90** FOR18-400, **B7995-18).** (The part number for retaining cap for each septum/vial was manufactured **by** Kimble-Chase (part **#** 73804-18400).) The vials were removed from the glove box and loaded into the calorimeter that was preheated to the indicated reaction temperature. **A** reaction vial containing pure solvent was loaded into reference channel of the calorimeter.

Separately, solutions of an oxidative addition complex were prepared **by** the addition of the palladium complex into toluene or other appropriate solvent in a 4 mL Vial (Wheaton 4 mL **E-C** Vial Cat **#** 224742). The masses of the palladium complex and solvent were recorded. Syringes equipped with a 6-inch needle were then loaded with the catalyst solution and weighed. After equilibration of the reaction vials **(~1** h) into the preheated calorimeter, the catalyst solution was injected through the septum to start the reactions. The syringes were weighed again to calculate the total amount of catalyst injected into the reaction. An equal mass of pure solvent was simultaneously injected into the reference channel.

The end of the reaction and thus the reaction time was determined **by** the return of the power output halfway to the baseline. At the end of the reaction, the **16** mL vial was removed from the calorimeter and allowed to cool before addition of n-dodecane as an internal standard. The reaction yield was quantified **by GC** analysis of the sample.

1.4.4. General Procedure for ³¹P-NMR Kinetics

In **a nitrogen-filled glove box, an amido complex (-20 mg) was placed into a** NMR tube and dissolved in benzene- d_6 (\sim 1 mL). A capillary with a solution of triphenylphosphine in benzene- d_6
was added to the NMR tube. The tube was sealed and removed from the glove box and then placed in a NMR instrument that was preheated to the indicated reaction temperature. Scans were taken continuously and the signal of the amido complex was referenced to the capillary signal. The decay was fitted as a first order process to calculate the rate of reductive elimination.

1.4.5. Procedure for Eyring Plot

An aluminum cylinder **(15** cm diameter **x 10** cm height) was custom-built with **18** holes arranged in **a** concentric pattern to provide uniform temperature to **a** set of **(5** mm-O.D.) Wilmad-NMR tubes (Figure 1-9B). The block was heated using a pair of custom-made Watlow Mineral Insulated Band heaters with post terminals (https://www.watlow.com/products/heaters/mineralinsulated-band-heaters.cfm) (Figure **1-9A).** Temperature control of the block was **by** use of a **J-**Kem Gemini controller (http://www.ikem.com/temperature-controllers/precisioncontrollers/gemini-multi-channel-controller) (Figure **1-9C).**

In the glove box, stock solutions of anhydrous 1,4-dioxane, 3-bromoanisole, NaOtBu, and diphenylamine were prepared. This solution was divided into three separate vials and to each aliquot was added precatalyst **P1** (or solution of **P1)** as indicated. The reaction solutions immediately became red. Each solution was then further partitioned into **6** reaction tubes (Sigma Aldrich Cat **#Z274798-1** PAK) for a total of **18** tubes. The tubes were then sealed with a polyethylene cap, the cap wrapped with parafilm, and the tube removed from the glovebox. The reaction tubes were then loaded into the preheated aluminum cylinder. Each reaction tube was removed after a predetermined time and immersed in a dry ice/acetone bath **(-78 0C)** to halt the reaction. Time points were selected so that the conversion would be at least 40 **%** for the last tube removed.

Each tube was opened and n -dodecane was added to each tube as an internal standard. The reaction mixture was analyzed **by GC** for 3-bromoanisole, n-dodecane, diphenylamine, and product. The integrated 3-bromoanisole signal was used to determine the conversion. **A** portion of the stock solution (taken before the addition of the catalyst) was also analyzed as a **GC** standard. For each catalyst loading, the conversion was plotted as a function of time. **A** linear regression was fitted to these points; the slope of the line gave rate of the

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reaction as per equation 1.4.7. This experiment was repeated for temperatures at **110, 100,** and **90 C.**

Figure 1-9 A) Closeup of band heaters connected to power supply and in contact with aluminum cylinder. B) Kinetics apparatus with thermocouple and 2 reaction tubes inserted. The device shown in the photograph has been modified with larger holes **(10** total). These larger holes were not present for the experiments taken during this study. **C)** J-Kem Temperature controller.

Figure **1-10** Rate of reaction at **110 OC**

Table **1-5** Stock Solution

Table **1-6** Catalyst Solutions- (Note: Solutions B' and C' made from dilution of **A')**

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Table **1-7** Run Data

Data Summary

1.4.5.2. **GC** Measurements for Eyring Plot at **100 *C**

Figure **1-11** Rate of reaction at **100 *C**

Table **1-9** Stock Solution

Table **1-10** Catalyst Solution

Table 1-11 Run Data

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1.4.5.3. **GC** Measurements for Eyring Plot at **90 *C**

Figure 1-12 Rate of reaction at 90 °C

Table **1-13** Stock Solution

Table 1-14 Run Data

Data Summary

1.4.5.4. Calorimetry Measurements for Eyring Plot at 78 *C

At **78 0C,** the solution was not homogenous, therefore, kinetic measurements using **GC** experiments did not give reliable results. Consequently, we opted to perform a calorimetry experiment to measure the reductive elimination rate constant at **78 'C.** Following general calorimetry procedure, a low catalyst loading was used **(0.16** mol **% - 0.33** mol **%)** and the experiment was performed in duplicate. Due to the long reaction time **(> 17** h), the signal-to-noise ratio was poor but the end of the reaction was unmistakable. The integrated heat energy did not agree across the different time spans due to the low signal to noise ratio. This data was analyzed using equation 1.4.9 to calculate the reductive elimination rate constant.

Figure 1-13 Rate of reaction at 78 *C

Table **1-16** Stock Solution

Table **1-17** Catalyst Solution

Table **1-18** Run Summary

Table **1-19 GC** Summary

Table 1-20 Energy Summary

1.4.6. General Calorimetry Procedure for Hammett Studies

General Calorimetry Procedure (see section 1.4.3) was followed except the stock solution was prepared without the diarylamine. The appropriate amine was separately added to each reaction vessel. Note: For each diarylamine, the reaction was run multiple times (Run **1,** Run 2, and Run **3)** at different catalyst loadings and the rate constant for reductive elimination was calculated using equation **9** (see corresponding Run Summary table (e.g., Table **1-25)).** Three examples were run with the diarylamine as the limiting reagent (compared to bromobenzene). These examples did not give different rate constants. Comparing the different runs (which may look different) we did not find significant variation for the calculated rate constant.

For the Hammett series of aryl halides, the General Calorimetry Procedure (see section 1.4.3) was followed except the stock solution was prepared without the aryl halide. The appropriate aryl halide was added separately to each reaction vessel. Note: For each aryl halide the reaction was run three times (Run **1,** Run 2, and Run **3)** at various catalyst loadings and the rate constant for reductive elimination was calculated using equation **13** (see corresponding Run Summary table (e.g., Table 1-44)). Comparing the different runs (which may look different) we did not find significant variation for the calculated rate constant.

1.4.6.1. Hammett Series for Diarylamines - Run 1

Figure 1-14 Rate of reaction for different diarylamines **-** Run **¹**

Table 1-21 Stock Solution

Table 1-22 Catalyst Solution

Table **1-23** Run Summary

Table 1-24 Run Summary

Table 1-26 Energy Density

1.4.6.2. Hammett Series for Diarylamines **-** Run 2

Figure 1-15 Rate of reaction for different diarylamines-Run 2

Table 1-27 Stock Solution

Table **1-28** Catalyst Solution

Table **1-29** Run Summary

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Table **1-30** Run Summary

Table **1-32** Energy Density

1.4.6.3. Hammett Series for Diarylamines- Run **3**

Figure **1-16** Rate of reaction for different diarylamines- Run **3**

Table **1-33** Stock Solution

Table 1-34 Catalyst Solution

Table **1-35** Run Summary

Table 1-36 Run Summary

Dodecane Dodecane Channel **mg] [pA** sJ **Al 105.2** 144.17 **A2 106.2 101.23 102.7 35.26 106.3** 62.49 **100.7 83.33** Product **[pA** s] Yield **[%] 312.00** 465.14 **183.84 278.93** 409.16 **91 >99 >99 >99 >99 A3** A4 **B1**

Table 1-38 Energy Density

1.4.6.4. Hammett Series for Aryl Halides **-** Run **¹**

Figure **1-17** Rate of reaction for different aryl halides- Run **¹**

Table **1-39** Stock Solution

Table 1-40 Catalyst Solution

Table 1-41 Run Summary

Table 1-42 Run Summary

Table 1-43 **GC** Data

Table 2-44 Energy Density

Figure 1-18 Rate of reaction of different aryl halides **-** Run 2

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Table 1-45 Stock Solution

Table 1-46 Catalyst Solution

Table 1-47 Run Summary

Table 1-48 Run Summary

Table 1-49 **GC** Data

Table **1-50** Energy Density

1.4.6.6. Hammett Series for Aryl Halides- Run **3**

Figure **1-19** Rate of reaction for different aryl halides **-** Run **³**

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Table **1-51** Stock Solution

Table **1-52** Catalyst Solution

Table **1-53** Run Summary

Table 1-54 Run Summary

Table **1-55 GC** Data

Table **1-56** Energy Density

1.4.6.7. Hammett Series 3-chloroanisole/diphenylamine kinetics

Figure 1-20 Rate of reaction for three different catalyst loadings. Note: These reaction employed the same "batch" of OA1a unlike the other Hammett Studies

Table 1-57 Stock Solution

Table 1-58 Catalyst Solution

Table 1-59 Run Summary

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Table 1-60 GC Data

Table 1-61 Energy Density

1.4.7. General Calorimetry Procedure for different ligand based catalyst

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, a stock solution of aryl halide, amine, base, and solvent was charged to a screw cap sealable vial. Aliquots were then loaded into **16** mL vials (Wheaton Vial, **16** mL **E-C** Vial, Cat **#** 224706) and the mass of each aliquot was recorded. The vials were equipped with a stir bar and then sealed with a silicon/Teflon septum. The vials were removed from the glove box and loaded into the calorimeter that was preheated to the indicated reaction temperature. **A** reaction vial containing pure solvent was loaded into reference channel of the calorimeter.

Separately, solutions of the pre-catalysts were prepared **by** the addition of the palladium complex into toluene or other appropriate solvent in a 4 mL Vial (Wheaton 4 mL **E-C** Vial Cat **#** 224742). The masses of the palladium complex and solvent were recorded. Syringes equipped with a 6-inch needle were then loaded with the catalyst solution and weighed. After equilibration of the reaction vials **(~1** h) into the preheated calorimeter, the catalyst solution was injected through the septum to start the reactions. The syringes were weighed again to calculate the total amount of catalyst injected into the reaction. An equal mass of pure solvent was injected into the reference channel.

The end of the reaction and thus the reaction time was determined **by** the return of the power output to 20 **%** of the baseline. The **16** mL vial was removed from the calorimeter and allowed to cool before addition of n-dodecane as an internal standard and the reaction yield was quantified **by GC** analysis of the sample.

These reactions were run simultaneously with a control reaction employing OA1a as a catalyst source. In this manner the control reaction based on RuPhos L1 (OA1a) is exposed to the identical temperature conditions as the reactions employing the other ligand types. The rate constant for each reaction was calculated according to equation 1.4.9. Thus the rate constants were indexed to the control reaction rate constant and these ratios are reported in table **1-3.**

1.4.7.1. CPhos **(L9)** and RuPhos (Li)

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Figure 1-21 Rate of reaction for CPhos **(L9)** based catalyst

Table **1-62** Stock Solution

Table **1-63** Catalyst Solution

Table 1-64 Run Summary

Figure 1-22 Rate of reaction for XPhos **(L7)** and SPhos (L2) based catalysts

Table **1-67** Stock Solution

Table **1-68** Catalyst Solution

Table **1-69** Run Summary

Table **1-70 GC** Data

Table **1-71** Energy Summary

1.4.7.3. RuPhos (Li) and BrettPhos **(L6)**

Figure **1-23** Rate of reaction for BrettPhos **(L6)** based catalyst

Table **1-72** Stock Solution

Table **1-73** Catalyst Solution

Table 1-74 Run Summary

Table **1-76** Energy Density

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1.4.7.4. RuPhos (Li) and CyJohnPhos **(L8)**

Figure 1-24 Rate of reaction for CyJohnPhos **(L8)** based catalyst

Table **1-77** Stock Solution

Table **1-78** Catalyst Solution (Note: Included in the benzene (for **L2Pd)** is **30** mg of 3-iodoanisole)

Table **1-79** Run Summary

Table **1-80 GC** Data

Table **1-81** Energy Density

Figure 1-25 Rate of reaction for MethoxySPhos (L4) and AminoSPhos **(L5)** based catalyst

Table 1-82 Stock Solution

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Table **1-83** Catalyst Solution

Table 1-84 Run Summary

Table **1-86** Energy Density

1.4.7.6. XPhos **(L7)** and RuPhos (Li)

Figure **1-26** Rate of Reaction for XPhos **(17)** based catalyst

Table **1-87** Stock Solution

Table **1-88** Catalyst Solution

Table **1-89** Run Summary

Table **1-90 GC** Data

Table **1-91** Energy Density

1.4.8. X-ray data for Ala and Procedure

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, the isolated complex (~ 20 mg) was dissolved in a minimum of dichloromethane (~ 0.1 mL) and pentane (~ 2 mL) was added. The solution was cooled to -20 °C in the glove box freezer overnight to yield crystals suitable for diffraction. Crystals were mounted for xray crystallography within a week's time.

Amido Complex based on **Li** as Supporting Ligand

1.4.9. X-ray data for A3

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, the isolated complex **(~** 20 mg) was dissolved in a minimum of benzene **(-0.1** mL) and pentane **(~** 2 mL) was added. The solution was cooled to -20 **0C** in the glove box freezer overnight to yield crystals suitable for x-ray diffraction.

Amido Complex based on L3 as Supporting Ligand

X-ray data for this compound is given in a separate file.

1.4.10. GC calibrations for triarylamines and diarylamines

Gas chromatography response factors for analytes were done by taking a mass of the pure compound and adding this to a comparable mass of n-dodecane in a solution of ethyl acetate. This solution was analyzed **by** gas chromatography and the response factors calculated using the equation below. The table below summarizes these results.

> *Analyte(pA s)/Analyte(mg)* $\frac{Imm}{Dodecane(pAs)/Dodecane(mg)}$ = Ratio (-

1.4.11. Synthesis of RuPhos (L1) Oxidative Addition (OA) Complexes

1.4.11.1. General Procedure for OA Complex Synthesis

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, a large screw cap test tube (Fisherbrand **14-959-37C)** was charged with codPd(CH₂TMS)₂, phosphine ligand, and an excess of aryl halide. A minimum amount of cyclohexane **(~** 4 mL) was added to dissolve the solids. The test tube was then closed with a silicon/Teflon septum and cap, and the solution was then stirred 12 to 24 h with a PTFE coated stir bar at rt. The solid precipitate was washed multiple times with pentane, decanted, and dried under vacuum to provide the product.

1.4.11.2. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)Br Complex OAla

Following General Procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (496 mg, 1.28 mmol), Li **(580** mg, 1.24 mmol) and 3-bromoanisole **(278** mg, **1.5** mmol). The product was washed with pentane **(3** x 20 mL) and dried under vacuum. The product was an off-white solid **(920** mg, **98** yield, 1.21 mmol). 'H **NMR (500** MHz, **CD2CI ²) 6 7.63** (M, 2H), 7.44 (m, 1H), **7.39** (m, 1H), **6.88 (ddd, J= 7.7, 3.0, 1.3** Hz, 1H), **6.81** (m, 1H), **6.70** (m, 1H), 6.64 (m, **3H),** 6.41 **(dd, J= 8.0,** 2.4 Hz, 1H), 4.62 (m, 2H), **3.73 (s, 3H), 2.19** (m, 2H), **1.95 - 1.53** (m, 12H), **1.39 (d, J= 5.9** Hz, **6H), 1.31 - 1.07** (m, **6H),** 1.02 **(d, J = 5.9** Hz, **6H), 0.84-0.66** (m, 2H). **¹³ C{'H} NMR (126 MHz, CD ²C1 ²) 6 159.50** (br), **157.99, 157.97,** 145.30, 145.16, **137.46, 135.10,** 134.05, **133.77, 132.99, 132.91, 131.50,** 131.04, **131.02, 130.75, 130.72, 126.80, 126.76, 126.69, 126.68, 122.97,** 122.94, **111.79, 111.76,** 109.48, **107.75, 107.70,** 71.34, **55.52,** 34.63, 34.29, 34.08, **28.56, 28.17, 28** to **27** (multiple overlapping peaks), **26.7** to 26.4 (br), **22.86, 22.37, 21.88,** 14.36. **31P{ 1H} NMR (202** MHz, **CD ²C12) 6 31.65.** ATR-IR (cm-¹): **2970, 2930,** 2840, **1570,** 1450, **1250, 1110, 1070, 1040, 847, 809, 758. Elemental: Calculated, C(58.47) H(6.63) Found, C(58.76),** H(6.47).

1.4.11.3. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-pCF 3)Br Complex OA1 b

Following General Procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (502 mg, 1.29 mmol), Li **(603** mg, **1.29** mmol) and bromobenzotrifluoride **(332** mg, 1.48 mmol). The product was washed with pentane (2 x 20 mL) and dried under vacuum. The product was a white solid **(918.7** mg, **89 %, 1.15** mmol).'H **NMR (500** MHz, **CDC13) 6 7.66** (t, **J=** 8.4 Hz, 1H), **7.57** (t, J= 7.4 Hz, 1H), **7.47** (m, 1H), **7.37** (m, 1H), **7.28 (d, J=** 7.4 Hz, 2H), **7.15 (d, J= 8.1** Hz, 2H), **6.90 (ddd, J= 7.7, 3.0, 1.1** Hz, 1H), **6.68 (d, J= 8.5** Hz, 2H), 4.63 (hept, **J= 6.0** Hz, 2H), **2.18 - 1.99** (m, 2H), **1.83 -** 1.48 (m, 12H), **1.37 (d, J= 6.0** Hz, **6H), 1.29 - 1.05** (m, **6H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.0** Hz, **6H), 0.81 - 0.62** (m, 2H). **' 3C{'H} NMR (126** MHz, **CD3C) 6 158.76,** 145.44 (br), 144.70, 144.57, **137.01, 136.98,** 134.96, **132.73, 132.65, 132.61, 132.31, 130.81, 130.74, 130.72, 126.62, 126.57, 125.98, 125.72, 123.82, 123.11** (br), **111.59, 111.56, 107.57, 71.11, 33.76,**

33.55, 28.24 (br), **27.65,** 27.64, **27.25, 26.15, 26.91, 26.82, 26.09, 26.09, 22.27, 21.59. ³ P'1H) NMR (121** MHz, **CDC1³) 5 30.65** . 19F{'H) NMR **(282** MHz, **CDCI ³) 6 -63.17.** ATR-IR (cm-¹): **2970, 2920, 2850, 1580, 1560,** 1450, 1420, **1380, 1370, 1310,** 1240, **1150, 1110, 1060,** 1020, **938, 850, 786. Elemental:** Calculated, **C(55.68)** H(5.94) Found, **C(55.84) H(6.08)**

1.4.11.4. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)Br Complex OAlc

Following General Procedure in section **1.4.11.1**, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂, (497.6 mg, 1.28 mmol), **Li (602.1** mg, **1.29** mmol), and bromobenzene **(230** mg, 1.47 mmol). The product was washed with pentane **(15** mL) and dried under vacuum. The product was white solid **(825.6** mg, **88 %, 1.13** mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 7.63** (t, **J=** 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.49 **-** 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.41 **- 7.35** (m, 1H), **7.07 (ddd, J= 8.2, 2.1, 1.1** Hz, 2H), **6.91** (t, **J= 7.5** Hz, 2H), **6.87 (ddd, J= 7.7, 3.1, 1.3** Hz, 1H), **6.85 - 6.81** (m, 1H), **6.65 (d, J= 8.5** Hz, 2H), 4.61 (hept, **J= 6.0** Hz, 2H), **2.32 -** 2.04 (m, 2H), **1.76 (d, J =** 10.4 Hz, **6H), 1.70 - 1.52** (m, **6H), 1.39 (d, J** = **6.0** Hz, **6H), 1.31 - 1.06** (m, **6H),** 1.02 **(d, J= 6.1** Hz, **6H), 0.73** (m, 2H). **¹³ C{1H}** NMR **(126** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 159.51,** 145.30, 145.16, **138.17,** 138.14, **136.73,** 134.99, 134.02, **133.74, 133.01, 132.93, 131.50, 131.02, 131.01, 127.17, 127.16,126.80, 126.76, 123.52,** 112.01, **111.98, 107.75, 71.36, 34.65,** 34.23, 34.02, **28.61, 28.03, 28.02, 27.76, 27.66, 27.37, 27.28, 26.52, 26.51, 22.38, 21.90. ³¹ P(1H) NMR (202** MHz, **CD2C1 2) 6** 31.41. ATR-IR (cm-1): **3060, 3050, 2970, 2920, 2850, 1580, 1560, 1440, 1250, 1110, 1070, 1060, 1020, 760. Elemental:** Calculated, **C(59.23) H(6.63) Found, C(59.34) H(6.61)**

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1.4.11.5. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-pCH 3)CI Complex OA1d

Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (107.2 mg, 0.28 mmol), **Li (131.2** mg, **0.28** mmol), and 4-chlorotoluene (41.2 mg, **0.33** mmol). The product was washed with pentane **(3** x **5** mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was a white solid **(152** mg, **79 %,** 0.22 mmol). 'H **NMR (500** MHz, **CD2CI 2) 6 7.62** (t, **J=** 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.46 **-** 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.41 **-** 7.34 (m, 1H), **6.95 - 6.88** (m, 2H), **6.86 (ddd, J= 7.7, 3.1,** 1.4 Hz, 1H), **6.79 - 6.73** (m, 2H), **6.63 (d, J = 8.5** Hz, 2H), 4.62 (m, 2H), 2.21 **(s, 3H), 2.13** (m, 2H), **1.82 -** 1.47 (m, 12H), **1.38 (d, J = 6.0** Hz, **6H), 1.31 -** 1.04 (m, **6H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.0** Hz, **6H), 0.86 - 0.65** (m, 2H). **13C{'H) NMR (126** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6** 159.43, 151.47, 145.50, **145.36, 137.09, 137.07, 135.05, 134.38,** 134.22 (br), 134.10, **133.05, 132.92,** 132.84, **131.50, 130.99, 130.97, 128.36,** 128.34, **126.79,** 126.74, **107.50, 71.26,** 34.28, 34.06, **28.71, 28.21, 28.19, 27.74, 27.63,** 27.40, **27.31, 26.58** (br), 22.41, **21.87, 20.82. 31P 1H} NMR (121** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 32.90. ATR-IR** (cm-1): 2940, **2910, 2850, 1590,** 1450, **1250, 1110, 1060, 1000, 847, 796, 776. HRMS (ESI):** Calculated for **^C 37H 50CIO2PPd [M-Cl]*, 663.2583** Found: **663.2587**

Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (106.2 mg, 0.27 mmol), Li **(128.9** mg, **0.28** mmol), and 4-chloroanisole (41.2 mg, **0.29** mmol). The product was

washed with pentane **(3** x **15** mL) and dried under vacuum. The product was a solid (147 mg, **75 %,** 0.21 mmol). **'H NMR (500** MHz, **CD ²C1 ²) 6 7.62** (t, **J =** 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.49 **- 7.33 (m,** 2H), **7.03 - 6.76** (m, **3H), 6.62 (dd, J = 13.8, 8.6** Hz, 4H), 4.73 **-** 4.54 (m, 2H), **3.71** (s, **3H), 2.25 - 1.95** (m, 2H), **1.89 -** 1.48 (m, 12H), **1.38 (d, J = 6.0** Hz, **6H), 1.28 - 1.07** (m, **6H), 1.01 (d, J = 6.0** Hz, **6H), 0.85 - 0.69** (m, 2H). **' 3C{'H) NMR (126** MHz, **CD 2CI ²) 6** 159.44, **157.36, 137.16, 135.07,** 132.94, **132.85,** 131.49, **130.99, 126.81, 126.76,** 126.45, **113.56,** 107.54, **71.30, 55.61,** 34.30, 34.08, **28.75, 28.23** (br), **27.75, 27.65,** 27.40, **27.31, 26.60** (br), 22.41, **21.86. 3 P{'H} NMR** (121 MHz, **CD2CI ²) 6 33.13.** ATR-IR (cm-1): **3050, 2930,** 2984, **1590,** 1450, **1260,** 1240, 1220, **1170, 1110, 1050, 1030, 1000, 848, 827, 791, 776. Elemental:** Calculated, **C(62.10)** H(7.04) Found, **C(62.22) H(7.20)**

1.4.12. RuPhos (Li) Amido Complexes

1.4.12.1. General Procedure for amido complex synthesis

In **a nitrogen-filled glove** box, **a screw** cap test tube was charged with an oxidative addition complex followed **by** the appropriate lithium diarylamide. Anhydrous benzene **(~1** mL) was added and the mixture vigorously stirred with a PTFE stir bar for the indicated time. The mixture was then filtered through a PTFE syringe filter (0.45 micron). The filtrate was frozen **by** placing in the glovebox freezer (-20 ***C).** The solvent was removed under vacuum (freeze drying) after which the solid product was washed multiple times with pentane and dried under vacuum. *Note:* Many of the *'H-NMR* spectra indicate that the palladium amido complexes are fluxional in benzene- d_{6} .

1.4.12.2. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)NPh₂ Complex A1a

Following general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, using **OAla (100.6** mg, **0.13** mmol) and LiNPh2 (46 mg, **0.26** mmol). The mixture was stirred for **15** min and the red product was washed with pentane **(9** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The product was a red solid **(85.5** mg, **76 %, 0.10** mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, benzene-d) **6 7.70 -** 7.45 (br, 4H), **7.31** (t, **J = 7.0** Hz, **1** H), **7.25 7.01** (m, **6H), 6.96** (t, **J = 7.3** Hz, **1** H), **6.87 - 6.65** (m, **5H),** 6.64 **- 6.56** (m, **1** H), **6.52 (dd, J = 8.0, 2.3** Hz, **1** H), 6.40 **- 5.70** (br, 2H), 4.60 **-** 4.28 (br, major), 4.21 (br, minor), **3.55 (s,** minor), 3.34 (s, major), $2.56 - 0.46$ (m, 34H). ${}^{13}C\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (126 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ 158.40 (br), **157.77, 157.13, 156.66** (br), 147.16, 146.99, 144.60, 144.55, 143.64, **137.10, 136.84, 136.45, 131.78, 131.70, 131.21, 130.61, 130.59, 129.55, 128.59,** 128.54, 126.49, 126.43, **126.39, 124.77, 122.95 -** 122.14 (br), **121.13, 119.68, 119.66, 118.20,** 118.14, **115.59 - 115.01** (br), **111.97,** 111.46, **111.19, 106.90- 106.32** (br), 70.44, **54.88, 29.18 - 28.88** (br), **28.01 - 27.15** (br), 27.00 - 26.40 (br), 22.70, 22.36, 21.77, 21.15. ${}^{31}P\{{}^{1}H\}$ NMR (202 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ **33.50.** Elemental: Calculated, **C(69.37) H(7.13)** Found, **C(69.28) H(7.12)**

1.4.12.3. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)NPh₂ Complex A1c

Following general procedure **1.4.12.1, OA1c (98.9 mg,** 0.14 mmol) and LiNPh2 **(100** mg, **0.57** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for 20 min and the red product was washed with pentane **(3** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **62.3** mg **(56 %, 0.076** mmol). 'H **NMR** (500 MHz, benzene-d₆) **6** 7.59 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 7.39 - 7.18 (m), 7.13 - 6.58 (m), 6.09 (d, J **= 8.5** Hz), **5.17 - 5.02** (br, free amine), 4.56 **-** 4.33 (m, major), 4.27 **-** 4.11 (m, minor), 2.40 **0.61** (m, 34H). **¹³ C{'H)** NMR **(126** MHz, benzene-d) **6 158.37, 157.15, 155.80, 147.18,** 147.01, 144.22, 144.16, **137.10, 136.83,** 136.24, **135.96, 135.93, 131.81, 131.73, 131.18, 130.61** (br), **129.56, 128.36, 126.76,** 126.44 (br), 124.65, **123.55,** 122.49 (br), **121.13, 118.22,** 115.47, **111.69** (br), **106.69,** 70.46, **33.97, 33.77, 28.88, 28.59, 28.56, 27.57, 27.47, 27.35, 27.26, 26.60, 22.72,** 22.34 (br), **21.79** (br), **21.17. 3'P{ 1H}** NMR (202 MHz, benzene-d) **6 33.19. MS (ESI):** Calculated for C₃₆H₄₈O₂PP⁺ [M-NPh₂]⁺, 649.242 Found: 649.247

1.4.12.4. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph-pCH₃)NPh₂ Complex A1d

Following general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, **OA1d** (87.5 mg, 0.13 mmol) and LiNPh₂ (100 mg, **0.57** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **30** min and the red product was washed with pentane (2 x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **15.2** mg **(15 %, 0.018** mmol). *Note:* The **13C** *spectra was collected on a 600* mHz Bruker Avance *Spectrometer.* **¹**^H **NMR** (500 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ 7.64 – 7.59 (m), 7.57 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz), 7.36 – 7.29 (m), 7.29 – **7.25** (m), **7.20** (t, **J= 7.7** Hz), 7.14 **(d, J= 7.9** Hz), **7.09 - 7.02** (m), **6.99 - 6.90** (m), **6.89 - 6.81** (m), **6.81 - 6.78** (m), 6.74 (t, **J = 7.1** Hz), 6.64 **(d, J = 7.9** Hz), **6.61 - 6.59** (m), **6.53 -** 6.49 (m), **6.05 (d, J=** 8.4 Hz), **5.11 - 5.03** (m), 4.41 (dt, **J=** 12.0, **5.9** Hz), 4.24 **-** 4.09 (m), **2.19** (s), **2.05** $($ s, 1H $)$, 1.97 $($ s $)$, 1.91 - 1.37 $($ m $)$, 1.29 - 0.63 $($ m $)$. ¹³C{¹H} **NMR** $($ 151 MHz, benzene- d_6 $)$ δ **158.30, 157.21, 155.78, 143.66, 137.23, 137.01, 136.23, 135.64, 132.27, 131.81, 131.18, 130.55,** 129.54, **126.38,** 122.47 (br), 121.12, **118.23, 115.39, 111.79** (br), **106.68,** 70.44, 34.05, **33.88, 28.95, 28.67** (br), **27.57** (br), 27.49 (br), **27.35, 27.27, 26.82,** 26.64, 22.74 (br), **22.30** (br), 22.04, **21.78, 21.17,** 21.12, **20.70.** 31P{'H) NMR (121 MHz, benzene-d) **6 33.15. MS (ESI):** Calculated for **C37H 50O2PPd*** [M-NPhAr]*, **663.26** Found: **663.27**

1.4.12.5. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-pOMe)NPh₂ Complex A1e

Following general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, OA1e (181.0 mg, 0.25 mmol) and LiNPh₂ (100 mg, **0.57** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **15** min and the red product was washed with pentane **(6** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **137.7** mg (64%, **0.162** mmol). 'H **NMR (500** MHz, benzene-d) **6 7.61 (d, J= 7.6** Hz), **7.35** (t, **J = 6.9** Hz), **7.28 - 7.21** (m), 7.14 **(d, J= 8.6** Hz), **7.12 - 7.06** (m), **7.00** (t, **J= 7.5** Hz), **6.87** (t, **J= 8.3** Hz), **6.85 - 6.81** (m), **6.78** (t, **J= 7.1** Hz), **6.66 - 6.61** (m), **6.56 (d, J= 8.7** Hz), **6.09 (d, J= 8.5** Hz), **5.09** (br, free amine), 4.45 (m,major), 4.32 **-** 4.17 (m, minor), 3.45 **(s,** minor), **3.22 (s,** major), **2.16 - 0.67** (m). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (126 MHz, benzene-d₆) δ 158.35, 157.45, 155.81, 147.22, 147.05, 137.31, 137.04, **136.29, 135.72, 135.69, 131.79, 131.70, 131.31, 131.25, 131.18, 130.58, 130.57, 129.55, 128.35,** 126.43, 126.40, 122.44, 122.43, 121.12, **118.21,** 115.40, **113.00, 111.62, 111.59,** 106.64, 70.44, 54.47, 34.45, 34.05, **33.84, 28.95, 28.70, 28.67, 27.56,** 27.45, **27.36, 27.27,** 26.64, **22.75, 22.72, 22.37, 21.81, 21.16,** 14.31. **31P1H} NMR (202** MHz, benzene-d) **⁶ 33.45. Elemental:** Calculated, **C(69.37) H(7.13)** Found, **C(69.17) H(6.98).**

1.4.12.6. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)(N(Ph)Ar-pOMe) Complex Alg

Following general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, **OAlc (103.0** mg, 0.14 mmol) and Li(N(Ph)ArpOMe) **(100** mg, 0.49 mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **15** min. The red product was washed with pentane **(3** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. Yield was 48 mg (40 **%, 0.057 mmol). ¹H NMR (500 MHz, benzene-d₆)** δ **7.55 (d,** $J = 7.7$ **Hz), 7.39 (d,** $J = 8.9$ **Hz), 7.34 – 7.28** (t), **7.25 - 7.18** (t), **7.09 - 6.56** (m), **6.18 -** 6.04 **(b),** 4.55 **-** 4.30 (br, 2H), 3.47 (s), **3.30** (s), **3.23** (s), **2.30 - 0.33** (m, 34H). **1 3C{'H}** NMR **(126** MHz, benzene-d) **6 158.58 - 157.77** (br), **156.61, 151.58,** 149.71, 148.84, **147.18,** 147.01, 145.15, 145.09, **137.10, 136.83, 136.09, 136.03 - 135.57** (br), **131.82, 131.73, 131.19,** 130.54, **130.52, 129.58,** 129.49, **128.59, 126.71** (br), 126.43, **126.39, 123.59, 123.58,** 123.44, 123.41, **122.65,** 122.20, **121.63, 121.61,** 119.74, **115.98, 115.22,** 114.95, 114.32, **113.81,** 112.11 (br), **107.06** (br), 106.40 (br), **70.47** (br), **55.47, 55.09,** 54.99, 34.45, 34.28 **-** 33.42 (br),33.00-31.75 (br), **29.50 - 28.50** (br), **28.52 - 27.75** (br), **27.57,** 27.46, 27.34, **27.25, 26.60, 22.81,** 22.74, **22.70, 22.16, 21.19** (br), 14.30. **3'P{'H} NMR** (202 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ 31.23. MS (ESI): Calculated for $C_{49}H_{60}NO_3PPd^+$ [M]⁺, 847.335 Found **847.338**

1.4.12.7. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)(NPhAr-pCH 3) Complex Al h

Following general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, OA1c (102 mg, 0.14 mmol) and the Li(N(Ph)Ar-pCH 3) (40 mg, 0.21 mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **15** min and the red product was washed with pentane **(5** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **23** mg (20 **%, 0.028** mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, benzene-d) **6 7.57 (d, J= 7.6** Hz), 7.44 **(d, J=** 8.4 Hz), **7.36 - 7.28** (m), 7.24 **- 7.17** (m), **7.09 -** 6.64 (m), **6.62 - 6.58** (m), **6.18 - 6.00** (m), 4.97 (br, free amine), 4.50 **-** 4.36 (m, major), 4.22 **-** 4.12 (m, minor), **2.29** (s, major), 2.10 (s, minor), **2.08 - 0.62** (m). **13C{'H) NMR (126** MHz, benzene-d) **6 158.51** (br), **156.55, 153.56,** 147.51, 147.34, 144.88, 144.82, 137.44, **137.17, 136.46, 136.35 - 136.10** (br), **132.12, 132.03,** 131.48, **130.86** (br), **130.63,** 130.40, **129.86, 129.83, 128.96, 128.90, 128.65,** 127.04, **126.73, 126.70,** 126.34,

125.76, 124.42, 124.23, **123.78, 122.98, 122.96,** 122.47, 122.45, **120.78, 119.65, 117.57, 115.16,** 112.24 **- 112.09** (br), **107.2-106.9** (br), **70.85 - 70.52** (br), **34.76, 34.37 - 33.83** (br), 29.47 **- 28.5** (multiple overlapping peaks), **27.88, 27.78, 27.65, 27.56, 26.90, 23.05,** 23.04, **22.63, 22.07, 21.67 - 21.26** (br), **21.08,** 14.61. **31P'H) NMR (202 MHz, benzene-d) 6 33.08.** Elemental: Calculated, **C(70.70) H(7.27),** Found, **C(70.86) H(7.35)**

Following general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, **OAlc (100.5** mg, 0.14 mmol) and Li(N(Ph)ArmOMe) **(100** mg, 0.21 mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for 20 min and the red product was washed with pentane **(5** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **68** mg **(58 %, 0.080** mmol). 1H NMR **(500** MHz, benzene-d) **6 7.58 (d, J= 7.7** Hz, 1H), 7.34 **(d, J= 6.9** Hz, 1H), **7.28 - 7.19** (m, 2H), **7.16** (s, 1H), **7.13 - 7.05** (m, 2H), **7.00** (t, **J= 7.5** Hz, 1H), **6.91** (t, **J=** 8.4 Hz, 1H), **6.87 - 6.72** (m, **3H), 6.69 - 6.62** (m, 1H), 6.43 **- 6.36** (m, 1H), **6.18 - 6.09** (m, 1H), 4.61 **-** 4.38 (m, **1** H), **3.50** (s, **1** H), 2.20 **- 1.86** (m, **3H), 1.86 - 1.37** (m, **11** H), **1.37 - 0.55** (m, **18H). 1 3C{'H) NMR (126** MHz, benzene-d) **6** 160.84, **158.39, 158.32** (br), **157.12, 155.74,** 147.19, 147.01, 144.12, 144.07, **137.08, 136.81, 136.16, 135.97,** 135.94, **131.83,** 131.74, **131.18, 130.60** (br), **128.35, 126.75,** 126.43, **126.39, 123.52, 122.76,** 122.74, **116.09, 115.55, 111.75, 111.72, 108.28, 106.97, 106.59, 101.37,** 70.44, **54.86, 34.77 -** 33.43 (br), **29.00 - 28.84** (br), **28.80 - 28.29** (br), **27.57, 27.47,** 27.34, **27.25, 26.59, 22.71, 21.50 - 20.91** (br). 31P{ 1H} **NMR** (202 MHz, benzene-d₆) δ 33.32. **MS (ESI):** Calculated for $C_{36}H_{48}O_2$ PPd⁺ [M-NPhAr]⁺, 649.24 Found: **649.27**

1.4.13. Ligand Series Oxidative Addition Complexes

1.4.13.1. SPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)Br Complex OA2

Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (98 mg, 0.25 mmol), SPhos L2 **(100.7** mg, **0.25** mmol), and 3-bromoanisole **(90** mg, 0.48 mmol) were combined. The product was washed with pentane (2 x 4 mL). The yield of the white, solid complex was **136** mg **(79 %, 0.19** mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 7.75** (t, **J=** 8.4 Hz), **7.70 -** 7.64 (m), **7.51 7.37** (m), **7.30** (t, **J =** 8.4 Hz), **7.22 - 7.06** (m), **6.87 - 6.81** (m, **3H), 6.72 - 6.67** (m), 6.64 **(d, J=** 8.4 Hz), 6.47 **-** 6.41 (m), 6.34 **- 6.27** (m), 3.94 **- 3.85** (br), **3.78** (s), 3.74 (s), 3.45 **- 3.37** (br), **2.36 -** 0.49 (m). **¹³ C{'H) NMR (126** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 161.23** (br), **158.20, 158.18, 157.58** (br), 144.73, 144.58, **136.69, 136.28, 136.27, 135.98, 134.75 -** 134.43 (br), **133.75 -** 133.46 (br), **132.31, 132.21, 131.71, 131.69, 131.13, 130.59, 130.56, 129.82, 129.33 - 128.89** (br), **127.31, 127.27, 126.86,** 126.84, **126.63 - 126.37** (br), **126.31** (br), **126.29 - 126.19** (br), **122.99, 122.96, 109.58, 109.26, 108.50, 107.08 -** 106.40 (br), **100.35, 56.39, 55.63,** 54.94, 39.24 **- 38.30** (br), **35.08 -** 34.51 (br), **33.48 -** 32.64 (br), **31.11 - 30.88** (br), **29.12 - 26.27** (multiple overlapping peaks, very broad). **³¹ P{1H} NMR (202** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6** 40.04 **- 39.07** (br), 34.50 . **ATR-IR** (cm **): 2920,** 2840, **1600, 1580,** 1440, 1410, **1330,** 1220, 1200, **1150,** 1120, **809. Elemental:** Calculated **C(56.30), H(6.01)** Found, **C(56.59), H(6.11).**

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Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (29.4 mg, 0.075 mmol), HybridPhos **L3 (39.8** mg, **0.076** mmol), and 3-bromoanisole **(90** mg, 0.48 mmol) were combined. The product was washed with pentane **(3** x **5** mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **48.8** mg **(79 %, 0.060** mmol) as a white solid. 'H NMR **(500** MHz, **CDCI 3) 6 7.75** (t, **J=** 8.4 Hz, **1** H-minor), 7.24 **(d, J = 8.3** Hz, 2H-minor), **7.05-6.9** (m, major and minor), **6.89-6.7** (m, major and minor), **6.59 (d, J = 8.3** Hz, 2H-major), 6.46 **(d, J =** 8.4 Hz, 2H-minor), 6.40 **-** 6.34 (m, major and minor), 4.62 **-** 4.51 (m, 2H-minor), 4.35 (s, 3H-major), 4.35 **-** 4.25 (m, 2H-major), **3.80** (s, 3H-minor), **3.73** (s, 3H-minor), **3.71** (s, 3H-major), **3.61** (s, 3H-major), 3.41 (s, 3H-minor), **2.88 2.70** (m, 2H-minor), **2.07 - 0.75** (m, major and minor). **1 3C{'H} NMR (126** MHz, **CDCI 3) 6 158.46, 153.68, 137.74, 137.33, 131.55, 131.30, 131.28, 130.28, 130.08** (br), 127.42 **- 125.82** (br), 123.54 **- 123.39** (br), 123.41 **-** 123.24 (br), 114.74, **113.33, 113.321,** 112.40 (br), 110.02, **108.95,** 106.45, **106.35, 103.97, 100.50, 73.19,** 70.46, 63.04, **56.75, 56.33, 55.71, 55.53, 36.86, 36.68, 34.83, 30.60 - 30.12** (br), **30.02, 29.99, 28.53, 27.58, 27.47,** 27.24, **27.13, 26.15,** 26.14, **23.70, 23.05, 22.78,** 22.42, **14.78.** 31P{1H} NMR (202 MHz, **CDC13) 6** 46.46 (major), 46.15 (minor). **ATR-IR** (cm⁻¹): 2920, 2850, 1570, 1450, 1420, 1240, 1110, 994, 816. Elemental Calculated, **C(57.11)** H(6.64), Found, **C(56.84) H(6.56).**

Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (91.0 mg, 0.23 mmol), MethoxySPhos **L4** (104.1 **mg,** 0.24 mmol), and 3-bromoanisole **(90** mg, 0.48 mmol). The product was washed with pentane **(3** x **5** mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was 155.4 mg **(90 %,** 0.21 mmol). **'H** NMR **(500** MHz, **CDC 3) 6 7.61** (t, **J = 7.0** Hz, 1H), 7.44 (t, **J=** 7.4 Hz, 1H), **7.38** (t, **J =** 7.4 Hz, 1H), **6.89-6.79** (m, 2H), **6.77** (m, 1H), **6.70** (s, 1H), 6.44-6.40 **(dd, J= 8** Hz, **1.5** Hz, **1** H), **6.20** (s, 2H), **3.98** (s, **3H), 3.76** (s,3H), 3.74 (s, **6H), 2.27-2.12** (m, 2H), **2.06-1.96** (m, 1H), **1.90-1.52** (m, **11** H), **1.32-1.01** (m, **6H), 0.80-0.48** (m, 2H) **13C{'H} NMR (126** MHz, **CDCI 3) 169.86, 163.28,** 163.14, **157.69,157.67,** 145.13, 144.98, **137.61, 137.60, 136.72,** 136.43, **132.00, 131.90, 131.35, 131.32** (overlapping peaks), **130.23, 130.20, 126.70, 126.66, 126.61, 126.60,** 122.20, **122.18, 109.70, 97.81, 97.78,** 93.42, **93.35, 56.57, 55.86, 55.26,** 34.43, 34.27, 34.22, 34.06, **27.98 - 27.07** (multiple overlapping peaks), **27.03, 26.11, 25.97.** 31P{1H} NMR (202 MHz, **CDCI 3) 6 35.59** ATR-IR (cm-1): **2920,** 2840, **1600, 1570,** 1450, 1240, 1220, 1200, 1120, **821, 805, 763** HRMS **(ESI):** Calculated for C34H44BrNaO4PPd' [M+Na]*, **755.1088** Found: **755.1090**

Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (149 mg, 0.38 mmol), AminoSPhos **L5 (175.1** mg, **0.39** mmol), and 3-bromoanisole **(100** mg, **0.53** mmol). The product was washed with pentane **(3** x **5** mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **222.9** mg **(78 %, 0.30** mmol). **'H** NMR **(500** MHz, **CDC13) 6 7.57 (t, J= 7.0** Hz, 1H), 7.40 (t, **J= 7.0** Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, **J = 7.0** Hz, **1** H), **6.81** (m, **3H), 6.75** (s, **1** H), 6.46 **- 6.36** (m, **1** H), **5.86 - 5.75** (m, 2H), **3.75** (s, **3H), 3.72** (s, **6H), 3.11** (s, **6H), 2.28 -** 2.10 (m, 2H), 2.10 **- 1.97** (m, 1H), **1.95 -** 1.46 (m, 12H), 1.41 **- 0.96** (m, **6H), 0.86 - 0.71** (m, 1H), **0.67 -** 0.49 (m, **1H). 13C{'H)** NMR **(126** MHz, **CDC13) ⁶**

165.19, 165.02, 160.00, 157.60, 157.58, 147.24, **147.07, 139.93, 139.92, 137.95, 137.65, 131.87, 131.77, 131.11, 130.93, 130.90, 126.37, 126.35, 126.29, 126.25,** 122.43, 122.40, **109.51, 89.68, 89.62, 55.47, 55.26,** 41.48, 34.54, 34.32, 34.28, 34.08, **28.23 - 27.02** (multiple overlapping peaks), **26.20, 26.02.** 31P{'H} NMR (202 MHz, **CDC1³) 6 38.07** Elemental: Calculated, **C(56.27)** H(6.34), Found, **C(56.05) H(6.27).**

1.4.13.5. BrettPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)Br Complex OA6

Following general procedure in section **1.4.11.1**, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (548.8 mg, 1.41 mmol), BrettPhos **L6 (746.7** mg, **1.39** mmol), and 3-bromoanisole **(0.5** mL, **3.9** mmol). The product was washed with pentane (2 x 20 mL). The yield was **1.001 g (86%,** 1.2 mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 7.07** (s), **6.95 - 6.89** (m), **6.86 (d, J = 8.9** Hz), **6.82 - 6.75** (m), **6.67 (d, J = 7.5** Hz), **6.62** (s), **6.39 -** 6.34 (m), 4.35 (s, minor), **3.81** (s, major), **3.71** (s, major), **3.68** (s, minor), **3.61** (s, minor), 3.34 (s, major), **3.18 - 3.02** (m, major), **3.00 - 2.92** (m, minor), **2.86 2.79** (m, major), **2.60 -** 2.46 (m, major), 2.43 **- 2.33** (m, minor), 2.10 **- 0.55** (40H). 13C{'H} NMR **(126** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 157.87,157.85, 157.65, 157.63, 157.27, 157.13, 157.06,** 155.41, **155.39,** 154.45, 154.40, **152.55, 152.51, 152.39,** 149.56, 147.43, **139.22, 138.66, 138.50, 136.75 136.39** (br), **133.57,** 131.46, 131.43, **131.15** (br), **130.95, 130.92,** 126.40, **126.39, 125.30, 125.09,** 124.12, **123.91, 123.88, 123.61, 123.58,** 122.04, **118.84, 117.74,** 114.00-113.80 (multiple overlapping peaks),111.94, **111.89, 111.55, 111.52, 109.18, 108.96,** 62.47, **55.56, 55.48, 55.39, 55.29, 54.88, 36.98, 36.80, 35.72, 35.58, 35.51, 35.38, 34.88, 31.91,** 31.41, **31.35, 31.33, 29.97 - 29.85** (multiple overlapping peaks), 29.74, **29.38 - 29.27** (multiple overlapping peaks), **28.51,** 28.44, 28.40, **28.33, 28.23, 27.29, 27.17, 26.97,26.88, 26.72 - 26.68** (multiple overlapping peaks), **26.63 - 26.55** (multiple overlapping peaks), **25.81, 25.80, 25.76, 25.57, 25.05, 25.02,** 24.73, 24.28, **23.69 . 31P{'H} NMR** (202 MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6** 45.71, **37.73.** ATR-IR (cm 1): **2920,** 2840, **1570, 1560,** 1460, 1420, **1260, 1230, 1010, 817, 767.** Elemental: Calculated, **C(60.76) H(7.28),** Measured **C(60.98) H(7.38).**

Following general procedure in section 1.4.11.1, using codPd(CH₂TMS)₂ (90.4 mg, 0.23 mmol), CPhos **L9** (102.4 mg, **0.23** mmol), and 3-bromoanisole **(90** mg, 0.48 mmol). The product was washed with pentane **(3** x **5** mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **169** mg **(99%, 0.23** mmol). **1H** NMR **(500** MHz, **CDC1 3) 6 7.68** (t, **J= 7.0** Hz, 1H), **7.61** (t, **J= 8.1** Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, **J= 7.5** Hz, 1H), **7.33** (t, **J= 7.3** Hz, 1H), 7.14 **- 7.06** (m, 1H), **6.90 (d, J= 8.1** Hz, **3H), 6.81** (t, **J= 7.8** Hz, 1H), 6.74 **(d, J= 7.5** Hz, 1H), **6.70** (s, 1H), 6.40 **(dd, J = 7.9, 1.8** Hz, 1H), **3.71** (s, 2H), **2.59** (s, 12H), **2.37 - 2.23** (m, 2H), **2.15 - 1.92** (m, 2H), **1.87 - 1.60** (m, **8H),** 1.54 **-** 1.45 (m, 2H), **1.29 -** 1.02 (m, **6H), 1.00 - 0.81** (m, 2H). **1 3C{'H}** NMR **(126** MHz, **CDC1 3) 6 157.69** (br), **155.96** (br), **136.67** (br), 134.51 (br), 134.01, **133.92** (br), **133.48** (br), **130.65** (br), 129.41 (br), **126.71** (br), **125.96** (br), 122.02, **121.99 ,117.27** (br), **115.80** (br), **109.31, 55.20,** 45.15, **36.84** (br), **36.64** (br), 29.34 (br), **28.01** (br), **27.91** (br), **27.71, 27.62** (br), **26.03** (br). **31P'H} NMR** (202 MHz, **CDC1³) 6** 31.04 **. ATR-IR** (cm-1): **2920, 2850, 2820, 2780, 1570, 1560,** 1470, 1450, **1280,** 1220, **1030, 1000, 760.** Elemental: Calculated, **C(57.58) H(6.63),** Measured **C(57.45) H(6.66).**

1.4.14. Ligand Series Amido Complexes

Using general procedure in section 1.4.11.2, **OA2** (77.1 mg, 0.11 mmol) and LiNPh₂ (33 mg, **0.19** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **15** min and the red product was washed with pentane **(3** x 4 mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **59.7** mg **(69 %, 0.075** mmol). 1H NMR **(500** MHz, benzene-d) **6 7.78 -** 6.48 (m), **6.22 - 5.88** (br), **5.13 -** 4.98 (br, free amine), **3.88 - 2.99** (m), **2.78 - 0.75** (m), **0.29 (s). 13C{1H} NMR (126** MHz, benzene-d) **6 158.08,** 146.21, 146.05, 144.19, 144.14, 143.93, **137.12, 137.06, 136.85, 132.52,** 132.43, **131.97,** 131.40 (br), **129.86, 127.00, 126.97, 126.87,** 123.04 (br), 121.44, **120.05,** 120.02, **118.50, 115.91** (br), **111.58,** 110.24, **105.13** (br), **55.18, 35.67 - 33.22** (multiple overlapping peaks), 30.42 – 25.25 (multiple overlapping peaks). ${}^{31}P\{^1H\}$ NMR (202 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ 33.46. MS **(ESI):** Calculated for NaC45H52NO3PPd [M-Na]+, 814.26 Found: **814.27**

1.4.14.2. RuPhosBrettPhos **Hybrid L3 Based Amido Complex A3**

Using general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, **OA3** (95.5 mg, 0.12 mmol) and the LiNPh₂ (40 mg, **0.23** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **15** min and the red product was washed with pentane **(3** x 4 mL) and dried. Yield was **59.2** mg **(56 %, 0.065** mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, benzene-d) **6 8.01 - 5.70 (19H,** major and minor), **5.17 - 5.07** (br, free amine), 4.65 **- 3.93** (m, 2H- major and minor), **3.83 - 2.72** (m, **9H), 2.59 - 0.51** (m, 34H). **13C{'H} NMR (126 MHz,** benzene-d) **6 160.73, 158.34,** 157.42, **156.10, 155.68,** 155.04, **155.02, 151.27, 151.15, 147.28,** 147.25, **138.92, 138.75, 137.54,** 129.54, 129.34, **129.32, 129.18, 128.35, 126.09, 122.87** (br), 121.43 (br), **121.09, 120.72, 120.70, 118.19,** 116.43, 115.34 **-** 114.40 (br), **112.75** (br), **110.93,** 110.43 (br), **109.97** (br), **108.98, 106.05** (br), **72.71, 70.05** (br), **58.68, 55.28,** 54.94, **54.89,** 54.64, 54.39, **35.98, 35.80,** 34.45, **33.48** (br), **30.71** (br), **30.17** (br), **29.02, 28.83** (br), **28.13 27.90** (br), **27.90 - 27.78** (br), **27.31, 27.20, 26.99, 26.28, 23.00, 22.79, 22.75, 21.78, 20.93,** 14.30. **³¹ P{¹ H} NMR (202** MHz, benzene-d) **6** 45.40, 44.32 **MS (ESI):** Calculated for **^C 39H ⁵⁴ 0 5PPd [M-NPh 2]*, 739.27** Found: **739.29**

Using general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, **OA4** (95.6 mg, 0.13 mmol) and the LiNPh₂ (45 mg, **0.26** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **15** min and the red product was washed with pentane **(9** x 4 mL). The yield was **71.1** mg **(66 %, 0.086** mmol). 1H NMR **(300** MHz, benzene-d) **6 8.11 - 7.23** (m), **7.13 -** 6.42 (m), **6.18 - 5.87** (m), **5.12 (dd, J=** 1.2, 0.4 Hz), 3.47 (s), 3.46 (s), 3.40 (s), 3.36 (s), 2.73 – 0.67 (m,). ¹³C{¹H} NMR (151 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ 159.23 **- 158.92** (br), **158.26, 157.52, 157.36, 155.26** (br), **145.63,** 145.49, 143.62, **143.58,** 143.40, **136.48** (br), **136.30, 131.91** (br), **131.38** (br), **130.83, 129.29,** 126.43, 126.40, **126.29,** 122.47 (br), **120.86, 119.50** (br), **117.95, 115.33** (br), **111.00, 109.71, 109.68,** 104.60, **55.10,** 54.62, 34.19, **30.10 - 26.75** (multiple overlapping peaks), **26.29,** 22.48, 14.03. 3'P{'H} NMR (121 MHz, benzene-d6) **6** 33.49. **Elemental:** Calculated, **C(67.19) H(6.62),** Found, **C(66.90) H(6.60).**

1.4.14.4. AminoSPhos L5 Based Amido Complex A5

Using general procedure in section 1.4.12.1, **OA5** (104.1 mg, 0.14 mmol) and LiNPh₂ (50 mg, **0.29** mmol) were combined. The mixture was stirred for **60** min and the orange product was washed with pentane (2 x 4 mL). The yield was **83.3** mg **(72 %, 0.10** mmol). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, benzene-d) **6** 7.64 **- 7.33** (m), **7.26 - 6.95** (m), **6.95 - 6.73** (m), 6.64 **(dd, J= 9.1,** 4.8 Hz, OH), **6.53 (dd, J= 8.0,** 2.1 Hz), **5.56 -** 4.93 (m), 3.41 **(d, J= 19.9** Hz), **2.76** (s), 2.42 **- 1.90** (m), **1.91**

- 1.60 (m), **1.60 -** 1.46 (m), 1.45 **- 0.90** (m), **0.90 - 0.76** (M). **1 3C{'H) NMR (126 MHz,** benzene**d) 6 157.72,** 156.24, **156.01 - 155.75** (br), **148.97, 148.79, 147.89, 147.85, 138.80, 138.51,** 132.40, **132.31, 131.23, 130.99, 130.98, 129.55, 129.37,** 129.34, 126.34, **126.29, 126.25,** 122.21 (br), 121.14, **120.89, 120.86, 118.18,** 116.34 **- 113.99** (br), **110.70, 91.07,** 91.04, **88.40,** 54.80, 54.24, 41.27, **39.68, 35.74 -** 32.49 (br), 28.54 (br), **28.19 - 27.73** (br), **27.67, 27.58,** 26.64 (br), 22.75, 14.31. ³¹ P{¹H} NMR (202 MHz, benzene- d_6) δ 37.62 Elemental: Calculated, **C(56.27)** H(6.34), Found, **C(56.51)** H(6.42).

1.4.15. Ligand Synthesis

1.4.15.1.1. AminoSPhos (L5) "Lower" Ring

A round bottom flask was charged with 3,5-dimethoxybromobenzene (1.04 **g,** 4.8 mmol) and NaOtBu (1.5491 **g, 6.6** mmol). The flask was fitted with a rubber septum (VWR Cat No. **89097-** 544), and evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (this process was repeated a total of three times). Anhydrous dioxane **(10** mL) was added via syringe followed **by** dimethyl amine (4 mL; 2.0 M in THF). A solution of **OA1a** (53 mg, 0.07 mmol, dissolved in a minimum of CH_2Cl_2 (\sim 0.1 mL)) was added and the vessel heated to **80 *C** for **1** h. The reaction was allowed to cool to rt and water **(50** mL) was added. The reaction was then extracted with EtOAc **(3** x **50** mL). The organic layers were combined. For purification **by** dry loading chromatography, silica gel was added **(- 5 g),** and the solvent removed **by** rotary evaporation. The residue was then purified **by** silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes). The isolated yield was **0.7080 g (82 %, 3.9** mmol). **Melting Point. 73.4-73.6. 1H NMR (500** MHz, **CD ²^C ²) 6 5.87** (overlapping) (s, **3H), 3.75** (s, **6H), 2.91** (s, **6H). 13C{'H} NMR (126 MHz, CD ²C 2) 6 162.14, 153.11, 92.13, 89.12, 55.59, 40.93.**

Using Schlenk techniques, 3,5-dimethoxy-NN-dimethylaniline **(225.1** mg, 1.24 mmol) was loaded into a screw cap test tube, sealed with a rubber septum, and then evacuated and backfilled with nitrogen (this process was repeated a total of three times). Anhydrous THF **(5** mL) was added via syringe. The solution was cooled to **-78 0C** and nBuLi **(0.55** mL; **2.5** M hexanes) was added via syringe. The solution was allowed to warm to rt and stirred for an additional **30** min before addition of ZnCl ²**(0.75** mL; **1.9** M Methyl-THF). **A** separate solution of a first generation XPhos precatalyst **(10.9** mg, **0.015** mmol) (see reference **16b** in the manuscript) and 2-bromoiodobenzene **(335.0** mg, 1.2 mmol) in THF (2 mL) was then added via syringe. The reaction solution was heated to **65 *C** and stirred for an additional 2 h. After cooling to rt, the reaction was quenched **by** the addition of MeOH **(0.25** mL) and then water **(50** mL) was added. The reaction mixture was extracted with EtOAc **(3** x **50** mL). The combined organic extracts were dried over $MgSO₄$ and filtered. The residual $MgSO₄$ was rinsed with EtOAc. For purification **by** dry loading chromatography, silica gel **(10** mL dry volume) was added to the filtrate and the solvent removed with the aid of a rotary evaporator. The residue was purified **by** silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes) to give the product as a white solid **(185.9** mg, 45 yield). **1H NMR (500** MHz, **CDC13) 6 7.65 (d, J = 8.0** Hz, **1** H), **7.38 - 7.31 (m,** 2H), **7.30 - 7.25 (m,** 2H), **7.22 - 7.15 (m,** 1H), **6.01 (s,** 2H), **3.75 (d, J =** 1.2 Hz, **8H), 3.05 (d, J = 1.1** Hz, **9H). 13C{'H} NMR (126 MHz, CDC1³) 6** 158.40, **151.93, 136.73,** 135.14, **133.23, 132.30, 128.20, 127.75, 126.88, 126.50,** 108.41, **89.17, 55.96,** 40.75, 22.48, 14.21.

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, a large screw cap test tube, equipped with a stir bar, was charged with the biaryl precursor from above **(185** mg, **0.55** mmol) and diethyl ether (4 mL) was added. The reaction tube was capped and nBuLi **(0.25** mL; **2.5** M in hexanes) was added via syringe. The reaction mixture was stirred at rt for **30** min before the addition **of** Cy2PCI (0.12 mL, 0.54 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for an additional **3** h and the reaction tube was removed from the glove box. For purification **by** dry loading chromatography, silica gel was added to the reaction mixture and the solvent removed under vacuum. The residue was then purified **by** silica gel chromatography (EtOAC/hexanes). The yield obtained was 185.4 mg **(75 %,** 0.41 mmol). **Melting Point. 155.4-156.3 0C. 'H NMR (500** MHz, **CDC13) 6** 7.54 **(d, J= 7.5** Hz, 1H), **7.37** (t, **J = 7.3** Hz, **1** H), **7.33 - 7.27** (m, **1** H), **7.20 - 7.17** (m, **1** H), **5.93** (s, 2H), **3.68** (s, **6H), 3.02** (s, **6H), 1.79** (t, **J = 11.9** Hz, 2H), **1.75 - 1.50** (m, **1** OH), **1.35 - 0.99** (m, **1** OH). **1 3C{'H} NMR (126 MHz, CDCI 3) 6 158.05,** 158.04, 151.49, **143.75,** 143.50, **136.71, 136.58, 132.38, 132.35, 131.92,131.87,** 131.49, **128.25,** 128.24, **127.63, 125.85, 109.32, 109.27, 88.28, 55.91, 55.15,** 40.74, 34.09, **33.98, 30.16, 30.02, 29.17, 29.10, 27.75, 27.66, 27.57, 27.51, 26.72. 31P(1H} NMR (202 MHz, CDC1³) 6 -8.68. ATR-IR (cm-1): 2920, 2850, 1610, 1560, 1440, 1360, 1240, 1120, 1010, 995, 850, 797. HRMS (ESI):** Calculated for **C 28H 41NO 2P+** [M+H]+, 454.2869, Found: 454.2867.

1.4.15.2. RuPhosBrettPhos Hybrid Ligand (L3)

1.4.15.2.1. Synthesis of lithiated lower aryl ring

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, 1,3-isopropoxybenzene **(0.558 g, 2.9** mmol) was charged to a screw cap test tube. Anhydrous pentane (~10 mL) was added along with TMEDA (0.1 mL, 1.1 mmol) and nBuLi **(1.15** mL, **2.5** M in hexanes). The solution was allowed to sit for 24 h after which the aryl lithium salt precipitated. The solvent was then decanted and the white crystalline product washed with pentane **(-5** mL) and dried under vacuum. The yield was **550** mg **(96 %, 2.75** mmol). The intermediate was used in the subsequent step without further purification or characterization.

1.4.15.2.2. Hybrid (L3) Biaryl Precursor

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, 3,6-dimethoxyfluorobenzene **(0.5565 g, 3.6** mmol) was added to anhydrous THF **(~10** mL) in a screw cap test tube equipped with a stir bar. The vessel was then sealed with a silicon/Teflon septum. In a second vessel the aryl lithium salt **(706** mg, **3.53** mmol) was dissolved in anhydrous THF (~7 mL) and sealed with a silicon/Teflon septum. Both vessels were removed from the glove box. The first vessel was cooled to **-78 *C** at which point nBuLi **(1.5** mL, **2.5** M in hexanes) was added to the solution. This reaction mixture was allowed to stir for an additional **30** min before the addition of the aryl lithium salt solution via syringe. The ensuing reaction mixture was then stirred for **1** h at **-78 *C,** and warmed slowly to rt over 45 min and stirred for an additional 45 min. Iodine **(0.88 g, 3.5** mmol) was dissolved in a minimum of anhydrous THF and added via syringe to the reaction mixture, then stirred for an additional 45

min before quenching with water **(10** mL). The crude product was extracted with **CH 2C 2 (3** x **50** mL). The extracts were combined and the solvent removed via rotary evaporator. The residue was purified **by** silica gel chromatography (EtOAc/hexanes) and the product crystallized from hexane. The yield was 420.5 mg **(26 %, 0.92** mmol). **Melting Point: 76.5-76.8 *C. 1H** NMR **(500** MHz, **CDC13) 6 7.26** (t, **J = 8.3** Hz, **1** H), **6.89 (d, J = 8.9** Hz, **1** H), **6.78 (d, J = 8.9** Hz, **1** H), **6.61 (d, J= 8.3** Hz, 2H), 4.38 (hept, **J= 6.0** Hz, 2H), **3.88** (s, **3H), 3.66** (s, **3H), 1.14 (dd, J= 22.9, 6.0** Hz, 12H). **¹ ³ C{'H} NMR (126** MHz, **CDC13) 6** 156.49, **152.78, 152.61, 132.82, 128.92, 122.25, 111.77, 109.57, 107.16, 95.58, 70.73, 57.10, 57.05,** 22.45. **HRMS (ESI):** Calculated for C ² 0H2 6 lO4' **[M+H]*457.0871,** Found: **457.0877**

In **a nitrogen-filled glove box,** the iodobiaryl precursor shown above (200.1 mg, 0.44 mmol) was added to a small screw cap test tube along with diethyl ether (2 mL). The vessel was then sealed with a silicon/Teflon septum. To this was added nBuLi (0.2 mL, **2.5** M in hexanes) and the resulting solution was allowed to stir for 30 min. Cy₂PCI (0.10 mL, 0.45 mmol) was added via syringe. After 2 h, the reaction vessel was taken out of the glove box and water **(10** mL) was added. The resulting mixture was extracted with CH₂C_{I2} (3 x 20 mL). The extracts were combined and the solvent removed with the aid of a rotary evaporation. Hexanes **(~3** mL) were added to the residue to induce rapid crystallization. The product was then dried under vacuum. The yield was **167** mg **(72 %, 0.32** mmol). Melting Point: 138.0-140.0 ***C.** 'H NMR **(500** MHz, **CDC13) 6 7.21** (t, **J = 8.3** Hz, **1** H), **6.82 (d, J = 8.8** Hz, **1** H), 6.74 **(d, J = 8.8** Hz, **1** H), **6.51 (d, J = 8.3** Hz, 2H), 4.39 (hept, **J = 5.7** Hz, 2H), **3.81** (s, **3H), 3.58** (s, **3H), 2.25** (m, 2H), **1.86 - 1.53** (m, **8H),** 1.46 **- 0.95** (m, 24H). **1 3C{'H} NMR (126 MHz, CDC 3) 6156.50,** 156.49, 156.42, **156.39, 151.87, 151.79, 135.59, 135.31, 128.05,** 127.54, 127.34, **119.92, 119.85,** 111.49, 111.48, **108.67, 105.80, 70.06, 56.19, 55.31, 35.27, 35.17,** 33.04, **32.85, 30.53,** 30.45, **27.68, 27.62,**

27.59, 27.48, 26.73, 26.72, 22.58, 22.27 . 3 1P 1H} NMR (202 MHz, **CDC1³) 6 2.30 ATR-IR** (cm-**1): 2970, 2920, 2830, 1580, 1570,** 1460, 1430, **1380, 1370, 1260,** 1240, **1110, 1060, 1030,** 1020, **793. HRMS (ESI):** Calculated for C32H48O 4P* [M+H] **527.3285,** Found: **527.3287**

1.4.16. NMR Data

1.4.16.1. RuPhos Li OA Complexes

 $1.4.16.1.2.$ RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-pCF₃)(Br) Complex OA1b

 -10 -20 -30 -40 -50 -60 -70 -80 -90 -100 -110 -120 -130 $\pmb{0}$

RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)(Br) Complex OA1c $1.4.16.1.3.$

1.4.16.1.4. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-pCH₃)(Cl) Complex OA1d

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1.4.16.2. RuPhos Li Based Amido Complexes

1.4.16.2.1. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)(NPh₂) Complex A1a

1.4.16.2.2. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)(NPh2) Complex A1c

1.4.16.2.4. RuPhos(Pd)(Ar-pOMe)(NPh₂) Amido Complex A1e

1.4.16.2.5. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)(NPhAr-pOMe) Amido Complex Alg

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1.4.16.2.6. RuPhos(Pd)(Ph)(NPhAr-pCH₃) Amido Complex A1h

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Hybrid(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)(Br) Complex OA3 1.4.16.3.2.

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1.4.16.4. Ligand Amido Complexes

SPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)(NPh₂) Amido Complex A2 $1.4.16.4.1.$

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1.4.16.4.3. MethoxySPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)(NPh₂) Amido Complex A4

AminoSPhos(Pd)(Ar-mOMe)(NPh₂) Amido Complex A5 1.4.16.4.4.

1.4.16.5.3. Ligand **L5** AminoSPhos "Lower" Aryl Ring

1.4.16.5.4. **Hybrid Ligand L3**

1.4.16.5.5. **BrettPhos Hybrid Ligand L3 Biaryl Precursor**

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2. Oxidative Addition

2.1. Introduction:

Most studies of the **C-N** cross-coupling reaction focus on the "on-cycle" palladium intermediates. The reaction is commonly described in terms of elementary steps such as oxidative addition,¹ amine binding,² deprotonation,³ and reductive elimination.⁴ These reaction steps describe the transformations between different "on-cycle" intermediates (Figure **1-1).**

For the oxidative addition step **(I** to **II),** previous investigations into the role of the aryl halide and supporting phosphine ligand indicate a range of observed rate laws for oxidative addition of palladium(O) complexes with the aryl halide. Such a variation in rate laws between different electrophiles (Arl, ArBr, and ArCI) for a complex such as $((o$ -tolyl)₃P)₂Pd suggests that more than one Pd(0) species may undergo oxidative addition with the aryl halide.^{1e} A study by Klabunde demonstrated that palladium(O) atoms undergo oxidative addition to **C6F5CI,** CH₃COCI, n -C₃F₇I ,and several other organic substrates at temperatures of 77 K.^{1k} This experiment suggests that phosphine ligands facilitate the oxidative addition step **by** preventing the aggregation and formation of palladium metal (palladium black). **A** study **by** Hartwig, has shown that the amine (N-methylpiperazine) can participate as a supporting ligand during the oxidative addition step. As shown in the results of this chapter, this observation will have implications for an L1-based palladium catalyzed reaction.

The reaction steps involved in the formation of **II** to **III** have also been described with publications rationalizing amine selectivity and amine binding to the palladium(II) center.² A publication **by** the Buchwald group studied the selectivity of different amines **by** exposing an **(L2)Pd(Ph)CI** complex **(5** mol **%)** to a solution of NaO'amyl, chlorobenzene, and a binary mixture of dissimilar amines (e.g., morpholine/n-propylamine or morpholine/piperidine). This study rationalized the difference in selectivity in terms of Curtin-Hammett type kinetics.

For the case of reductive elimination from the amido complex **(IV** to **I),** the electronic effects of the coupling partners and the role of supporting ligand have been thoroughly explored. Our own studies of an Li-based palladium catalyst revealed that the amido complex **(IV)** was the resting state for the cross-coupling of diarylamines with different aryl halides. As previously mentioned, Hoffman employed EHT calculations elucidating the role of different molecular orbitals in facilitating this product-producing step.^{3k-I} The theoretical calculations rationalized the ease **by** which T-shaped complexes undergo reductive elimination when compared to similar square planar complexes. With the lower aryl ring acting as hemi-labile coordinating group, our own studies demonstrated that the biaryl ligand exhibits rates of reductive elimination intermediate between bidentate and monodentate ligands. An electron-rich lower aryl ring better approximates a bidentate ligand and thus retarded the rate reductive elimination. One can imagine a scenario in which the "lower" aryl ring is displaced **by** a more nucleophilic ligand (e.g., the amine substrate or a second palladium complex) thus forming an "off-cycle" palladium

reservoir that must undergo an intramolecular substitution with the lower aryl ring to form an intermediate capable of reductive elimination (see Scheme 1-2).

Having discussed the "on-cycle" intermediates and reaction steps we turn our attention to "off-cycle" processes. Though often given secondary consideration, catalyst decomposition, catalyst activation, and the formation of "off-cycle" or dormant palladium species are also important in the understanding of the overall catalytic reaction. While amine displacement of the supporting phosphine ligand has been invoked to account for catalyst deactivation, few detailed mechanistic studies addressed this important process.⁴ The consequences of an "off-cycle" palladium species, the presence of different palladium(II) stereoisomers, or bimolecular palladium interactions have not been thoroughly investigated for **C-N** cross-coupling reactions. In fact, we will show in this chapter that the formation of "off-cycle" palladium species can dominate the reaction kinetics.

Unlike studies investigating the kinetics of stoichiometric complexes, our approach is to investigate the overall catalytic cycle. This has both advantages and disadvantages. The overall rate of reaction is a function of all the elementary steps and their corresponding rate constants. For some reaction examples, the overall rate of reaction is dominated **by** one (or two) of these rate constants. Under such a circumstance, it is easy to "assign" a dominant resting state and rate-determining step. Indeed, this was the case with the coupling of diphenylamine and **3** bromoanisole for a RuPhos **(L1)** based palladium catalyst. However, what is probably more often the case, at various points of the reaction progression different elementary steps may influence the overall rate of the reaction. Thus the rate law may differ from beginning to the end of a reaction. Such a behavior cannot reasonably be determined or predicted from stoichiometric kinetic studies. Unfortunately in cases such as this, it is extremely challenging to determine the rate-determining step(s) and their corresponding rate constants. As pointed out **by** Halpern, this approach has often lead to various proposed mechanisms which are contradictory yet can adequately describe the observed kinetics of the same reaction.⁵

In addition to the aforementioned considerations, one must also consider how the catalytic cycle is initiated. The employment of $Pd(OAc)_2$ or $Pd_2(dba)_3$ can convolute the kinetics of the formation of the active catalyst with the kinetics of the reaction itself.⁶ Palladium acetate must first be reduced to generate the active catalyst and for the case of $Pd_2(dba)_3$ the dibenzylideneacetone is not an innocent ligand.^{1a,7} Sequential additions of substrate to a reaction have been used to probe the steady-state level of active catalyst. However, this is not without its problems since these subsequent additions also increase the volume of the reaction

and thus may convolute the results. With the ability to synthesize palladium oxidative addition complexes **(II),** we believed that this presumptive "on-cycle" intermediate would be a useful mechanistic tool that would pre-empt the question of catalyst activation and interfering ligands.

In line with the above arguments concerning initiation of the catalytic reaction, the "temperature-trajectory" of the reaction can also play a role. At room temperature, the addition **of** "on-cycle" catalyst (e.g., oxidative addition complex **OAla)** can perform several turnovers before forming a less kinetically competent "off-cycle" palladium species. Upon heating to the desired reaction temperature (e.g., **80 *C),** these "off-cycle" species can then reform the active catalyst and the reaction will go to completion. **If** the same reaction is performed **by** adding the catalyst at the reaction temperature (e.g., 80 °C), the formation of "off-cycle" palladium will undoubtedly occur but the rate of this process compared to "on-cycle" kinetic processes will differ compared to the same reaction initiated at ambient temperatures. Thus these otherwise identical reactions will have different reaction rates and reaction times. Such a scenario may be encountered when kinetic studies are carried out **by** observation with NMR where all the reagents and catalyst are typically added at room temperature (and then heated to reaction temperature). The NMR experiment may not reproduce the results obtained **by** performing the kinetic study in a reaction calorimeter where the catalyst is added to the reagents at the reaction temperature.

With these considerations in mind, we chose to study the coupling of different amines with a RuPhos (L1) based palladium catalyst.⁸ Given the utility and structural diversity of biaryl monophosphine ligands for which L1 is one example, a kinetic study employing these ligands could identify problematic reaction steps with this ligand class. **By** use of model reactions that afford high yields, we had hoped to avoid complicating competitive processes that would interfere with our analysis (e.g., parasitic reduction of the aryl halide, competitive **C-0** coupling, etc.). We initially selected diphenylamine, N-methylaniline, and morpholine as model secondary amine substrates with the expectation that the tertiary amine product would not be a competitive substrate (Scheme 2-1). The use of primary amines (aniline, n-propylamine, etc.) was initially avoided since L1-based palladium catalysts are known to not be selective and anticipated the formation of the secondary amine product to itself be a competitive (and thus interfering) substrate for the **C-N** coupling reaction.

Scheme 2-1 Model reactions for secondary amines used in this study

2.2. Results:

2.2.1. Kinetic Evidence for Off-Cycle Palladium

To examine the kinetics of these reactions, calorimetry was used as a primary tool. 9 As previously described, a (concentrated) solution containing **OAla** was injected in a preheated solution containing all other reagents (amine, aryl halide, and base). The resultant observed power output signal was used as a proxy for the rate of reaction. Gas chromatography analysis of the reaction mixture was used to evaluate the yield/conversion of the reaction.

As described in chapter **1,** the cross-coupling reaction of diphenylamine with an aryl halide mediated **by** a RuPhos (Li) based palladium catalyst gave zero-order kinetics consistent with reductive elimination as a rate-determining step. Doubling the amount of **OAla** doubled the rate and the addition of excess L1 did not appreciably affect the reaction rate. A ³¹P-NMR experiment indicated a single species at **33** ppm that matched that of the independently synthesized complex **(Ala)** (Figure 2-1).

Figure 2-1 Near constant reaction rate consistent with diphenylamido complex resting state and reductive elimination as the rate-determining step.

With these results in hand, we then examined the coupling of a more nucleophilic amine, **N**methyl aniline. As expected, the rate constant for reductive elimination of the corresponding **N**methyl anilide complex $(k_{RE, (CH3)N(Ph)} > 500$ 1/min) is at least two orders of magnitude greater than the diphenylamido complex **(A1a)** ($k_{\text{RE,NPh2}}$ = 4.4 1/min). However, the rate law for this reaction is not consistent with the prototype mechanism (Figure **1-1).** We noted a fast initial rate followed **by** what is referred to as the plateau region where the reaction proceeds at a near constant rate (Figure 2-2). Furthermore, the time for the reaction to go to completion was **highly** sensitive to the catalyst loading. Unlike the reaction of diphenylamine, the rate was not directly proportional to the catalyst loading.

Figure 2-2 Cross-coupling of N-methylaniline and 3-bromoanisole with an OA1a based catalyst.

Having investigated the N-methylaniline reaction, the reaction of morpholine as a coupling partner with 3-bromoanisole was carried out **(** Scheme **2-1C,** Figure **2-3).** When compared to the reaction with N-methyl aniline, the reaction of morpholine required an order of magnitude more catalyst to achieve similar reaction times. This reaction was characterized **by** a fast initial rate followed **by** a plateau region and a similar non-linear dependence on average rate to catalyst loading. Interestingly, there was a slight and consistent increase in the reaction rate immediately prior to the complete consumption of the limiting reagent (aryl halide). As was done for the reaction of diphenylamine (Scheme **2-1A,** Figure 2-1), we performed some experiments with additional **L1.** Unlike the reaction of diphenylamine, the time for the reaction to go to completion decreased with added **Li** (Figure 2-3B).

Figure 2-3 A) Cross-coupling of morpholine and 3-bromoanisole with OA1a **based catalyst. B)** Cross-coupling reaction of morpholine and 3-bromoanisole with exogenous RuPhos **(Li)** ligand.

Given that **OAla is a** presumptive catalytic intermediate, it can be reasonably argued that all the palladium is initially "on-cycle" which manifests as the rapid initial rate. The observed decrease and plateau region is not consistent with the prototype **C-N** coupling mechanism (Figure **1-1)** but is more consistent with the formation of an "off-cycle" palladium intermediate for which the formation of the active "on-cycle" catalyst becomes the rate-determining step. The effect of added ligand **Li** is consistent with the formation of active catalyst **by** re-association of the **Li** with an "off-cycle" palladium species that is not ligated to a phosphine ligand. The strong non-linear behavior in reaction rate is consistent with interactions between palladium species and/or interactions between palladium and **Li.** The rapid increase in rate near the end of the reaction is consistent with an inverse dependence on the aryl halide, which will be discussed later in this thesis.

Further investigation into the cross-coupling reaction of morpholine with 3-bromoanisole reveals that catalysis occurs readily at ambient temperatures. Thus for the morpholine reaction, a **1** mol **%** catalyst loading of **OAla** affords a yield of approximately 20 mol **%** in the first 20 minutes. Monitoring **by** 31P-NMR at **-9** ppm indicates that a significant portion **(-60 %)** of the supporting ligand (L1) is not associated with the palladium (Table 2-46). The elementary steps describing the transformation of **I** to **I1** to **III** to **IV** and then to **I** again are facile under these conditions. Thus, the incomplete conversion is a consequence of the formation of "off-cycle" palladium species which are not kinetically competent at 20 ***C.**

2.2.1. Variation of amine and supporting ligand

Comparison of the kinetic profiles shown in Figure 2-1, Figure 2-2, and Figure **2-3** of the model reactions suggests that amine nucleophilicity or a correlated parameter plays a major role in the displacement of **Li** from one of the "on-cycle" palladium intermediates. Given the results for the morpholine-based reaction at ambient temperatures, we wondered if this was a general behavior for different amine classes

By calorimetry, the **OAla** based cross-coupling reaction of 3-bromoanisole with various amine types was evaluated. With the exception of the reaction of diphenylamine where the diphenylamido complex **Ala** is stable to reductive elimination at 20 ***C,** all other amine types afforded some product. The reaction of the weakly nucleophilic N-methylaniline went to completion within **90** minutes. For the more nucleophilic amines, the reactions with npropylamine, di-n-butylamine, and iso-propylamine afforded small amounts of product within a short time frame **(~ 10** minutes) after which no further reaction was observed. The reaction of aniline was found to have a no rate after **50** minutes. The tert-butylamine based reaction exhibited an observable rate after two hours, which suggests that sterically hindered amines are less able to sequester the palladium as an "off-cycle" palladium intermediate. These results suggest that neither reductive elimination nor amine binding to the palladium center are problematic steps.¹⁰

Scheme 2-2 Cross-coupling reaction of different amines with **OAla** catalyst. Rates monitored **by** calorimetry.

Having established that reactions with several types of amines afford product but do not go to completion at ambient temperatures (Scheme 2-2), we investigated some structurally similar biaryl supporting ligands. **A** conclusion indicating that the observed kinetic behavior was somehow unique to RuPhos **(Li)** would limit the utility of this study. We thus employed the cross-coupling of n-propylamine with 3-bromoanisole at 20 **0C** with some other ligands employed in the Buchwald laboratory. Employing pre-catalyst or oxidative addition complexes for XPhos **(L7/P7)** or the RuPhos-BrettPhos Hybrid **(L3/OA3)** afforded only trace amounts of product.¹¹⁻¹⁵

Scheme 2-3 Biaryl supporting ligands evaluated for the model cross-coupling reaction of **3** bromoanisole and n-propylamine

Only the BrettPhos-based catalyst **(L6/P6)** afforded product and complete conversion under these conditions (see Figure **2-35).** Like the RuPhos-based reaction of morpholine (Figure **2-3),** we observed a fast initial rate followed **by** a plateau region. There was an increase

in reaction rate in the middle of the plateau region, which suggests a complicated reaction mechanism likely due to palladium-palladium interactions (Figure **2-35).** Increasing the reaction temperature to **105 0C** and **by** employing **OA6,** we observed a qualitatively similar kinetic pattern to that seen for the RuPhos **(L)** based morpholine reaction (compare Figure **2-3** and Figure 2- 4). Based on the data presented in Scheme 2-2, Figure **2-3,** and Figure 2-4, we conclude that different amine types and different ligand types generate analogous "off-cycle" palladium species.

Figure 2-4 Cross-coupling reaction of 3-bromoanisole with n-propylamine mediated **by** a BrettPhos-based catalyst **(OA6).**

As we shall see later in this chapter, there is not a single "off-cycle" palladium species but rather a distribution of at least two palladium complexes at least one of which is phosphine ligated. For the RuPhos **(Li)** based coupling of n-propylamine and 3-bromoanisole at 20 **C,** these phosphine ligated complexes are not kinetically competent and can be trapped and observed by ³¹P-NMR (Figure 2-10). In the case of BrettPhos (L6) based palladium catalysts, these phosphine-ligated species are apparently kinetically competent at room temperature allowing for the formation of the "on-cycle" alkylamido complex, which undergoes reductive elimination at room temperature. Though the hybrid ligand **(L3)** did not afford a kinetically competent catalyst under these same conditions (Scheme **2-3),** it seems that the methoxy substituent at the C3-position for the **L6** ligand facilitates an intramolecular ligand substitution that allows the "off-cycle" species to re-enter the catalytic cycle. Similar to the RuPhos **(Li)** based reaction, free ligand was observed **by** 31P-NMR for the BrettPhos **(L6)** based reaction. The addition of excess **L6** at 20 **0C** did not improve the reaction rate which indicates that once

the supporting ligand is displaced from the palladium center it cannot re-associate with the palladium to form an "on-cycle" intermediate. This paralleled the experiment with the RuPhos/morpholine reaction at **30 0C** where additional **Li** also did not affect the reaction rate (Figure **2-5).** Thus for ambient temperatures, once the supporting ligand has been displaced, it cannot re-associate with "off-cycle" palladium.

Figure 2-5 Coupling reaction with morpholine and 3-bromoanisole at **30 OC.** Yield was not a function of added ligand **Li.**

We were also interested to see if these results could be applicable to other bidentate ligand systems. Oxidative addition complexes of 'ButylBrettPhos, DalPhos, **S-BINAP** were synthesized for use as catalyst sources. In the case of 'ButylBrettPhos, the coupling of 3-bromoanisole and n-propylamine proceeded selectively and rapidly to completion within **10** minutes. ¹⁶

Figure 2-6 Cross-coupling reaction of 3-bromoanisole with n-propylamine with a 'ButylBrettPhos-based palladium catalyst. Yields were over **90 %** and the reactions were selective with negligible formation of diarylated amine

The coupling of N-methylpiperazine with bromobenzene using an **S-BINAP** based catalyst proceed to completion at **60 0C** for a range of catalyst loadings (Figure **2-7).17** Depending on the catalyst loading, the reaction proceeded to *accelerate* as the reaction progressed. Given that the **BINAP-OA** complex is a presumptive "on-cycle" intermediate such a result indicated an inverse dependence on one or more substrates. Furthermore, we found that this acceleration was diminished at lower catalyst loadings, which is suggestive of competitive (leading to a less kinetically competent intermediate) and turnover dependent side reaction. Finally, the reaction was found to have reproducible "bumps" during the reaction progression (most apparent for catalyst loadings ranging from 0.22 mol% to **0.31** mol%). These results are not consistent with the prototype reaction mechanism (Figure **1-1)** and are not an obvious function of substrate concentrations. Looking forward, these curves are qualitatively similar to the curves where ***OA1a** was employed in the coupling of morpholine and 3-bromoanisole (Figure **2-17).**

Figure 2-7 Cross-coupling of bromobenzene with N-methylpiperazine mediated **by** an **S-BINAP** based catalyst. Yields were above **90 %** for all reactions.

Finally, the DalPhos-based oxidative addition complex was used to facilitate the coupling of n-octylamine and bromobenzene at 105 °C (Figure 2-8). The kinetics of this reaction were found to be nonlinear in catalyst loading. **A** catalyst loading of 0.24 mol **%,** the time for the reaction to go to completion would be **230** minutes and at a catalyst loading of 0.49 mol **%** the time would be **50** minutes (Figure **2-8A).** Though n-octylamine is more nucleophilic than N-methylaniline, the progression of the reaction qualitatively matches the kinetics of a RuPhos **(L1) based** coupling of 3-bromoanisole with N-methylaniline (Figure 2-2). The substitution of chlorobenzene for bromobenzene or the addition of exogenous DalPhos ligand improved the reaction rate and decreased the time for the reaction to go to completion (Figure 2-8B).

Figure 2-8 Cross-coupling reaction of bromo/chlorobenzene with n-octylamine **by** a DalPhos-based palladium catalyst. **A)** The cross-coupling reaction of bromobenzene with n-octylamine at different catalyst loadings. B) Substitution of chlorobenzene for bromobenzene or the addition of exogeneous DalPhos leads to a (small) increase in reaction rate.

We also investigated a RuPhos **(L1)** based cross-coupling reaction of n-propylamine and bromobenzene and a similar reaction of aniline with bromobenzene. In both circumstances, we noted kinetics that give the same characteristic pattern as the coupling of morpholine and **3** bromoanisole mediated **by** an Li-based catalyst. Catalysts based on BrettPhos **(L6)** are
reported to selectively arylate primary amines and afford only trace amounts of the tertiary amine product.18 Catalysts based on RuPhos **(L1)** are reported to be unselective and furnish mixtures of the tertiary and secondary arylated amines. For the example of n-propylamine, the poor selectivity of the L1 based catalyst was apparent as the reaction afforded approximately **25%** diarylated product (Figure **2-9).** However, when coupling the aniline with bromobenzene it was found that **OAla** furnished a selective catalyst (Figure 2-9B) with only trace amounts of triphenylamine. These reactions demonstrate that RuPhos (L1) and BrettPhos (L6) clearly have overlapping mechanistic pathways with multiple amines and aryl bromides.

Figure 2-9 A) The cross-coupling of 3-bromoanisole and n-propylamine with a RuPhos (L1) based palladium catalyst. Yield were above **90 %** with the diarylated product accounting for **~25 %** of the overall yield. B) The cross-coupling of aniline with bromobenzene mediated **by** a RuPhos **(Li)** based palladium catalyst. Yields were above **90 %** with the triphenylamine being only present in trace amounts. Note the very strong dependence on reaction time with catalyst loading.

2.2.2. Formation of "Off-Cycle" Palladium

Given the evidence for "off-cycle" palladium species obtained thus far from kinetic studies of the catalytic reactions employing RuPhos **(Li),** we wished to investigate the

sequence of steps **by** which these species are generated. The reaction with morpholine is not suitable for these studies since this reaction undergoes several turnovers (~ 20) at ambient temperatures (Scheme 2-2). We therefore selected for further investigation, the related reaction of n-propylamine with 3-bromoanisole. We wished to ascertain which reagents (base, amine and aryl halide) were necessary for the displacement of **Li** from the palladium center. We thus performed a series of experiments that were monitored **by** 31P-NMR.

To confirm the displacement of L1 from the palladium center, **OAla** was exposed to a solution containing the reagents necessary for the catalytic reaction (NaOtBu, n -propylamine, and aryl halide) (Figure 2-10A). It was thus confirmed that L1 was quickly displaced from the palladium center. ¹⁹**GC** analysis of the reaction mixture indicated the formation of the coupled product arising from **C-N** reductive elimination. The "yield" of free ligand accounted only for **16 %** of the total available **Li.** Phosphine ligated palladium was observed at 42 to 48 ppm in the presence of the displaced **Li** at **-9** ppm. Since no further turnovers were observed, these ligated complexes are not kinetically competent at ambient temperatures.

A second experiment, which exposed **QA1a** to a solution of n-propylamine and **3** bromoanisole did not displace significant quantities of the supporting ligand from the palladium center (Figure 2-10B). Only trace amounts of free **Li** were detected. Many 31P-NMR signals were observed at 40 ppm to **55** ppm, which are consistent with previously reported palladium(II) complexes containing both amine and phosphine ligands.^{2a} This experiment demonstrated that the amine cannot displace **Li** on the time scale of the catalytic reaction (Figure **2-10A).** In a third experiment (Figure **2-10C), OAia** was exposed to a solution of NaOtBu and **3** bromoanisole. No free **Li** was observed but a complex mixture of phosphorus containing species **(-50** ppm to **-35** ppm and **25** ppm to **55** ppm) was formed. These experiments suggest that the formation of the "off-cycle" species does not occur directly from an amine bound oxidative complex or from direct attack of **OA1a by** the base.

Figure 2-10 A) OAla is exposed to the reagents necessary for a catalytic reaction B) OA1a is exposed to a solution of **3** bromoanisole and n-propylamine but only trace amounts of L1 are observed C) OA1a is exposed to a solution of NaOtBu and 3-bromoanisole but no free **Li** is observed.

Because these results imply that displacement of **Li** does not occur prior to the formation of the n-propylamido complex **Al'** (Figure 2-11), we wished to investigate the sequence of events following the formation of this important intermediate. Due to the instability of **Al'** towards reductive elimination, we generated this complex in situ from **Ala.** Thus **Ala** was subjected to a solution of *n*-propylamine and 3-bromoanisole in the absence of NaOtBu. This resulted in the eventual disappearance of the ³¹P-NMR signal of **A1a** (33 ppm) and the appearance of the ³¹P-NMR signal for **Li** corresponding to a "yield" of 9.4 **%** relative to the initially bound ligand present in **Ala.** Thus, this experiment demonstrates that the presence of NaOtBu is not a required reactant for the displacement of **Li** and that the formation of the "off-cycle" palladium species likely occurs after reductive elimination of **Al'.**

Figure 2-11 In Situ amine ligand exchange followed by reductive elimination leading to the displacement of L1 from the palladium center. Catalyst loading of Ala corresponds to approximately **-5** mol

To gain further insight into the nature of the "off-cycle" palladium species, we revisited the addition of **OA1a** to a 1,4-dioxane solution of NaOtBu, n-propylamine, and 3-bromoanisole at 20 **0C.** As shown in Figure 2-12, analysis of the crude reaction mixture **by GC** showed the formation of **4 (0.96** equiv. relative to **OAla),** in conjunction with consumption of the aryl halide **(1.3** equiv. relative to **OAla).** The equivalents of cross-coupled product formed and aryl halide consumed were independent of the initial concentration of **OAla.** These data demonstrate that OA1a forms the amido complex A1' which then cleanly undergoes reductive elimination. Since a further **1.3** equivalents of aryl halide are consumed, but no further (product producing) turnovers are observed at room temperature. This result suggests that a majority of the palladium is in the form of "off-cycle" palladium(II) state.²⁰

Figure 2-12 Yield of product and consumption of 3-bromoanisole for various concentrations of OA1a. Note that 1.3 equivalent (relative to OA1a) is consumed.

Based on the "yield" of **Li** displaced from the metal center relative to **QA1a,** we concluded that a collection of "off-cycle" palladium complexes is formed. We thus investigated the role of the initial concentration of **QA1a** on the outcome of the displaced of **L1.** In the experiment shown below (Figure **2-13), QA1a** is quantitatively consumed for every data point. However, as the initial concentration of **OAla** increases, the percentage of displaced **L1** decreases (relative to the initial quantity of **QA1a).** The dependence of the percentage of **Li** displaced on the initial concentration of **OAla** suggests that palladium-palladium and/or palladium-L1 interactions play a role in the formation of the "off-cycle" palladium species and thus determines the distribution of these species.

Figure 2-13 Yield of displaced Li **by** exposing **OAla** to a solution of n-propylamine, NaOtBu, and **3** bromoanisole. Quantification of displaced **Li** was **by "** P-NMR.

Building on these results, we wanted to determine whether the distribution of these "offcycle" palladium species was a consequence of kinetic or thermodynamic control. **If** the "offcycle" palladium species were in dynamic equilibrium with the displaced **L1,** then the addition of **Li** to the reaction mixture should have an effect on this presumed equilibrium. **If** additional **Li** does not affect the amount of displaced **L1,** it would indicate that some of these species are kinetically trapped. Furthermore, any palladium-L1 interaction should result in a change in the distribution of "off-cycle" palladium species when exogenous **Li** is present at the beginning of the reaction. Thus, we compared **(by** monitoring with 31P-NMR) a reaction with additional L1 to a reaction where the additional **Li** was omitted. After taking into account the exogenous **Li** added, we found that the amount of **Li** liberated from OA1a was the same within experimental error with the control reaction. We thus conclude the distribution of "off-cycle" palladium is controlled **by** palladium-palladium interactions and is likely responsible for the effect of the initial concentration of **OAla** on the kinetically controlled displacement of **Li.** These conclusions are also in part supported **by** the kinetic studies of the catalytic system where the additional ligand had no effect on the yield or conversion of the reaction at ambient temperatures.

With these results in hand, we can begin to offer some mechanistic proposals that account for the experimental data presented thus far. Hartwig has previously shown that for a BINAP-based palladium(0) complex the amine can participate as a ligand during oxidative addition of the aryl halide.²¹ We believe that a similar process is occurring in our experimental

system and propose that the amine binding immediately following reductive elimination of **IV** leads to the formation of **I'** (Scheme 2-4). Computational studies, for other **Pd(O)** complexes, have shown that the formation of the trans-oxidative addition complex **(II')** can be kinetically competitive with the formation of the cis-oxidative addition complex **(11*)** even though the transisomer is significantly higher in energy than the cis -isomer.²² Because of the greater trans-effect of the aryl group, we expect that the P-Pd bond is weakened in complex **II'.** Thus, ligand substitution of **L1 by** an amine nucleophile may compete with the isomerization of **II'** to the lower energy cis-isomer **(11*).** We defer discussion of potential palladium-palladium interactions until later in this thesis.

Scheme 2-4 **A)** Reductive elimination of IV affords at least two kinds of **Pd(O)** complex **I** and **I'** which undergo interconversion B) Oxidative addition to **I'** can afford either the trans-isomer **1I'** or the cis-isomer **II*.**

With this proposal in hand, we wished to examine the oxidative addition reaction step using stoichiometric complexes. Based on the work of Fink,²³ we proceeded to synthesize an L_2Pd^0 complex from a (tmeda)Pd(CH₃)₂ for **L1** and CyJohnPhos **L8** (Figure 2-14). As previously reported, we confirmed that the L8-based complex in the presence of an aryl bromide (bromobenzene) for 2 hours *did not* undergo appreciable oxidative addition with the aryl halide. Subjecting the L8-based complex **(~** 20 mol%) to a solution of bromobenzene **(1** equiv.) and npropylamine (1.4 equiv.) afforded an amine ligated **Pd(II)** (via consumption of the bromobenzene) within an hour as determined **by GC** with n-dodecane as an internal standard. This result demonstrates that the presence of the amine accelerated the rate of oxidative addition for this **L8** based-complex. These results contrast with an analogous system employing an analogous L₂Pd(0) BINAP based complex where it was shown the presence of N-methyl piperazine *retarded* the rate of oxidative addition to bromobenzene.²¹

Given these results we turned out attention to a set of similar experiments using RuPhos **L1.** Unlike the L8-based complex, the L1-based complex readily underwent oxidative addition to bromobenzene with a reaction time on the order of 20 to **30** minutes at **25 C. A** single x-ray crystal structure of the Li-based **L2Pd(0)** complex, showed that the lower aryl ring is moved away from the palladium center (Figure 2-14B). Though perhaps inappropriate to extrapolate from a solid state structure, the discrepancy in rates of oxidative addition may be attributed to conformational differences in solution.

Figure 2-14 A) Yields for the formation of L₂P(0) from RuPhos (L1) and CyJohnPhos (L8) B) ORTEP diagrams and bond length for respective **L2Pd(O)** complexes. Bond lengths are reported in Angstroms. **ORTEP diagram for L8** reproduced from reference **23**

As shown in Figure **2-15,** the oxidative addition of the Li-based complex to bromobenzene afforded the formation of the independently synthesized **OAib** as observed **by** 31P-NMR. Quantification of the "free" Li (at **-9** ppm) confirmed that for this reaction the loss of one and

only one equivalent of L1 (relative to the starting L₂Pd(0) complex). Addition of excess n-propyl amine after the complete formation of **OA1 b** did not afford significant amounts additional free **L1.**

Figure 2-15 L₂Pd(0) complex (L = L1) was exposed to a bezene- d_6 solution of bromobenzene after which (\sim 1 h) npropylamine was added.

As shown in Figure **2-16,** the oxidative addition of **(L1) 2Pd(O)** in the presence of both bromobenzene and *n*-propylamine gives rise to amine and phosphine ligated palladium(II) complexes. Quantification of the "free" **Li** (at **-9** ppm) showed the loss of far more than equivalent of **L1** (relative to the starting material). Thus for both reaction conditions the formation of a **Pd(ll)** is quantitative (as determined **by** parallel **GC** experiments) but the product distributions are not identical.

Figure 2-16 ³¹P-NMR spectra of a L₂Pd(0) complex exposed to a solution of n-propylamine and bromobenzene simultaneously leading to the loss of more than one equivalent of **L1.**

2.2.3. Steady State Kinetic Analysis

After investigating some of the elementary reaction steps of the palladium-catalyzed reaction of n-propylamine with 3-bromoanisole, the kinetic consequences of the proposed mechanism were further examined with the morpholine system. The fast initial rate of the reaction with morpholine when **OA1a** is employed mitigates the utility of the "excess" experiments.^{9a} At elevated catalyst concentrations, the initial rate of the reaction is so fast that the reaction goes to completion prior to reaching the steady-state plateau region. At sufficiently low catalyst concentrations, only weak substrate dependences are observed for the plateau region. As previously described, we found that the reaction of n -propylamine can be used to efficiently generate "off-cycle" complexes ***OAla** from **OAla.** The employment of ***OA1a** would allow us to initiate the catalytic cycle from a near steady-state condition as shown in Scheme 2- **5.**

Using different concentrations of ***OAla,** we found that the rate increase observed at the end of the reaction is preserved while the fast initial rate is suppressed (Figure **2-17).** For both the "on-cycle" and "off-cycle" methods, low catalyst concentrations **(-0.1** mol **%** at **105 0C)** have the same limiting behavior where the reaction rate has a weak dependence on substrate concentration that manifests as a near constant rate (plateau region).

Figure 2-17 Cross-coupling reaction of 3-bromoanisole and morpholine initiated **by *OA1a.**

Investigations into the concentration dependence of the reaction with morpholine were performed at higher catalyst loadings and at a lower temperature (75 °C).²⁴ Variation of the initial concentration of morpholine revealed the anticipated dependence on amine concentration. As shown in Figure 2-18B, the reaction rate was essentially independent of morpholine concentration above **1.3** M while below **1.3** M there was an apparent inverse dependence. Moreover, comparing different experiments in Figure 2-18B, we note that when the morpholine concentration is 0.4 M (indicated with a dashed line), the rate decreases with increasing aryl halide concentration. This observation is consistent with an inverse dependence on the concentration of aryl halide and would explain why the three curves (red, green, blue) do not overlap.

Figure **2-18 A)** Cross-coupling reaction of morpholine with 3-bromoanisole with various initial concentrations of morpholine. B) The rate plotted as a function of morpholine concentration. Note that the reactions progress from right to left.

We can rationalize the inverse dependence on amine **by** its ability to influence the relative amounts of **I** and **I',** which will affect the formation rate of "off-cycle" palladium. Since the rate constants for oxidative addition of **I** and **I'** should differ, the concentration or reactivity of the aryl halide should affect the relative proportion of oxidative addition through **I** and **I',** and thus the global kinetic profile. This hypothesis is supported **by** the observation that for many of the reactions (see Figure **2-3),** there is a rapid increase in rate at the end of the reaction that corresponds to the complete consumption of the limiting reagent (aryl halide). Such a feature suggests that at low concentration (or low reactivity) of aryl halide, oxidative addition through complex **I** is favored.

To further confirm the inverse dependence on aryl halide, reactions employing ***OAla** with different initial concentrations of 3-bromoanisole were compared. As shown in Figure **2-19,** an inverse dependence on aryl halide concentration was observed. The reaction employing an initial 3-bromoanisole concentration of **0.95** M (blue line) proceeded at roughly half the rate of a reaction employing an initial concentration of 0.36 M (red line).²⁵ Furthermore, substitution of the less reactive 3-chloroanisole resulted in a dramatic increase in rate resulting in a reaction time of approximately 20 minutes compared to **3** hours for the aryl bromide. Despite, the wellestablished lower reactivity of aryl chlorides, this behavior is not without precedent. Previously studies have attributed the improvement in overall reaction rate to the greater ease of "transmetallation" of the chloride relative to the bromide in forming the amido complex **(IV**).²⁶ The current experiment suggests that improvement in overall reaction rate is due to the preference for oxidative pathway via complex **1.27-31**

Figure 2-19 A) Cross-coupling reaction of morpholine and 3-bromoanisole with different initial concentrations of 3-bromoanisole B) The employment of the less reactive 3-chloroanisole affords a greater overall reaction rate.

2.2.4. Kinetic Modeling

Experiments have shown that the rate law is: **1)** not linear in concentration of either OA1a or ***OA1a,** 2) dependent upon the catalyst source (e.g., **OA1a** vs ***OA1 a), 3)** inversely dependent on the catalyst concentration of both amine and aryl halide at temperatures higher than 75 °C and 4) displays positive order on the concentration of added L1 (but not at ambient temperatures). 32

Elementary steps have been proposed that can account for much of this behavior with the caveat that the proposed model remains an incomplete description of the mechanism. We modeled the "off-cycle" species as two different **Pd(ll)** "off-cycle" complexes (V and **VI).** The complex V is proposed to be an amine bound **Pd(ll)** complex. We are uncertain as to the structure of the dimeric complex(es) VI, but the unknown species observed at 45 ppm **by 31P-**NMR prompted the invocation of this intermediate. Furthermore, the strong dependence of displaced L1 on the initial concentration of **OAla** which we attribute to palladium-palladium interaction is partly captured in our model **by** a bimolecular interaction between V and **II'.** Thus for high concentration of catalyst, the formation of **VI** occurs more readily, while lower concentration of catalyst should favor a greater proportion of V (and free L1). Additional assumptions regarding the formation of **I** and **I'** (green box) were also necessary. The formation of **I'** from **IV** and interconversion between **I** and **'** are plausible but simplified relationship among several possibilities (see Scheme **2-6** and Scheme **2-8).**

With these approximations in mind, the full rate law was derived from the scheme below. Only kinetically relevant substrate species (and corresponding rate constants) are highlighted in blue. **A** single set of rate constants were chosen to give a qualitative fit to the experimental data at 75 °C. The rate constant k_{L1} relative to other rate constants was set to ensure that reassociation of V with L1 to form "on-cycle" intermediate **IV** is the slowest step in the process. The oxidative addition rate constants were chosen so that k_{OA1} \gg k_{OA2} , indicating that **I** is more reactive than **I'** towards oxidative addition. Furthermore, this assumption is necessary to obtain the inverse dependence on aryl halide. Thus at low concentration (or low reactivity) of aryl halide, oxidative addition via **I** is favored and will manifest as a rapid increase in overall rate of catalyst near the end of the reaction. To make the interconversion rate of **I** and **I'** comparable to the rate of oxidative addition k_F/k_B was specified to be near unity and the ratios k_{D2}/k_{D1} and k_{OA1}/k_R were fitted to the experimental data. The rate law was then evaluated using the Runge-Kutta algorithm implemented in the MATLAB software package.

Scheme 2-6 Proposed mechanism incorporating off-cycle species

As shown in Figure 2-20, the simulated rate is strongly affected **by** the catalyst loading and whether the reaction is started using either "off-cycle" ***OAla** or "on-cycle" **OAla** palladium. Both of these phenomena were observed in our experimental data as well. Using the same rate constants, the model simulation is able to qualitatively reproduce the dependence upon amine concentration as shown in Figure 2-20 (compare to Figure **2-18)** while reproduction of the inverse dependence upon aryl halide is less satisfactory (Figure 2-24). Simulation of added ligand gives a linear relationship with inverse reaction time but overestimates the dependence when compared to the experimental data (Figure 2-44). Further meaningful improvements to this model will require more detailed studies towards the identification of these "off-cycle" catalytic species.

Figure 2-20 **A)** Simulated rate of reaction with "On-Cycle" palladium. Chart Inset contains the simulated rate of reaction with "Off-Cycle" palladium B) Simulated rate of reaction with "Off-Cycle" palladium and various initial concentrations of amine. Chart inset contains a reproduction of the experimental data.

2.3. Summary

Even for simple substrates, the **C-N** cross-coupling reaction is significantly more complex than the catalytic cycle usually presented suggests (Figure **1-1).** Arguments based only on "oncycle" elementary reaction steps can be misleading when "off-cycle" palladium species act as catalyst reservoirs. Attempts to optimize the reaction rates **by** increasing the concentration (or reactivity) of the amine substrates and aryl halides can lead to diminished reaction rates. Merely conducting the reaction under more dilute conditions can lead to a greater rate of reaction. Given that a palladium catalyst readily affords product at room temperature for various amines is evidence that "on-cycle" elementary steps are sufficiently rapid and that suppressing the formation of the "off-cycle" or dormant catalyst states is an important consideration in reaction optimization.

Furthermore, we have shown that multiple ligand, amine, and aryl halide combinations that give overlapping kinetic profiles. The results presented in this chapter indicate that the formation of the amido complex **(IV)** from an "off-cycle" palladium(II) species is the rate-determining step in a number of reactions. Identification of these "off-cycle" complexes and investigation of their chemistries is a key step towards gaining a complete understanding of these reactions.

2.4. Experimental

2.4.1. Derivation of Rate law

Scheme 2-7 Proposed partial mechanism with Off-Cycle Species (reproduced from Scheme **2-6)**

Starting from the scheme above, we write the following differential equations to describe the reaction network as seen in equation **1.1.** Here we have replaced the roman numerals **(1, II, IV,** etc) with Arabic (e.g., **[1], [1'])** numerals where brackets indicating units of concentration. The first equation gives the rate of reaction **by** accounting for the consumption of aryl halide. The parameter c is a quantity relating conversion relative to a reference concentration $[ArX]_o$. The kinetic parameters (for now) are written without reference to substrate concentrations. **A** differential equation (rate law) for species [4] **(IV)** is not directly written- we assume that **IV** leads directly to **1'.** The same argument is used for **II(OA1)** which leads directly to **I'.** Likewise in this scheme, we also assume that **VI** leads immediately to V and **I'.**

$$
\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} [AY]_o{}^c \\ [1] \\ [1'] \\ [2'] \\ [5] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{0A1} & k_{0A2} & 0 & 0 \\ -(k_F + k_{0A1}) & k_R & 0 & 0 \\ k_F + k_{0A1} & -(k_R + k_{0A2}) & k_{D1} & k_{L1} \\ 0 & k_{0A2} & -(k_{D1} + k_{D2}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_{D2} & -k_{L1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} [1] \\ [1'] \\ [2'] \\ [5] \end{bmatrix}
$$
 2.1

We make the following steady state assumptions for [2], thus converting the $4th$ differential equation into an algebraic one.

$$
\frac{d[2']}{dt} = 0 = k_{0A2}[1'] - (k_{D1} + k_{D2})[2] \rightarrow \frac{k_{0A2}}{(k_{D1} + k_{D2})}[1'] = [2'] \tag{2.2}
$$

Application of equation **2.2** leads to the new matrix.

$$
\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} ArX_{o}c \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{OA1} & k_{OA2} & 0 \\ -(k_F + k_{OA1}) & k_R & 0 \\ k_F + k_{OA1} & -k_R - k_{OA2} + k_{D1} \frac{k_{OA2}}{(k_{D1} + k_{D2})} & k_{L1} \\ 0 & k_{D2} \frac{k_{OA2}}{(k_{D1} + k_{D2})} & -k_{L1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1' \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}
$$
 2.3

We make a similar steady state assumption for [1], thus converting the 2nd differential equation into an algebraic equation.

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$$
\frac{d[1]}{dt} = 0 = -(k_F + k_{0A1})[1] + k_R[1'] \rightarrow \frac{k_R}{k_F + k_{0A1}}[1'] = [1]
$$

Application of this equation leads to the new matrix

$$
\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} -A r X_o c \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1' \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_{0A1} \frac{k_R}{k_F + k_{0A1}} + k_{0A2} & 0 \\ -k_{0A2} + \frac{k_D k_{0A2}}{(k_{D1} + k_{D2})} & k_{L1} \\ \frac{k_{D2} k_{0A2}}{(k_{D1} + k_{D2})} & -k_{L1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1' \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 5 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix}
$$
 2.5

We now begin to explicitly write out the substrate dependencies in terms of dimensionless parameters

$$
k_{\text{OA1}} \to k'_{\text{OA1}}(X_0 - c) \tag{2.6a}
$$

$$
k_{\text{OA2}} \rightarrow k'_{\text{OA2}}(X_0 - c) \tag{2.6b}
$$

$$
k_F \to k'_F (A_0 - c) \tag{2.6c}
$$

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$$
k_{L1} \to k'_{L1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_o} (< 5 > +L_o)
$$
 (2.6d)

$$
k_{D1} \to k'_{D1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_o} < 5 > \tag{2.6e}
$$

$$
k_{\rm D2} \rightarrow k'_{\rm D2}(A_0 - c) \tag{2.66}
$$

$$
k_R \to k'_R
$$
 2.6g

We note that

$$
<5>[Pd]_0=[5]
$$
 2.7a

$$
\langle 1' \rangle [Pd]_0 = [1'] \tag{2.7b}
$$

Application of equations **2.6a-2.6g** to equation **2.5** yields equation **2.8**

$$
\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} k'_{0A1}(X_0 - c) \frac{k'_{R}}{k'_{P}(A_0 - c) + k'_{0A1}(X_0 - c)} + k'_{0A2}(X_0 - c) & 0 \ -k'_{0A2}(X_0 - c) + \frac{k'_{D1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_0} < 5 > k_{0A2}(X_0 - c)}{\left(k'_{D1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_0} < 5 > +k'_{D2}(A_0 - c)\right)} & k'_{L1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_0} < 5 > +L_o \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1'] \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$
\n
$$
\frac{k'_{D2}(A_0 - c)k'_{0A2}(X_0 - c)}{\left(k'_{D1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_0} < 5 > +k'_{D2}(A_0 - c)\right)}
$$
\n
$$
-k'_{L1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_0} < 5 > +L_o \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1'] \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}
$$
\n
$$
-k'_{L1} \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_0} < 5 > +L_o \end{bmatrix}
$$

Simplification and substitution of equation **2.7** into equation **2.8** yields.

$$
\frac{d}{dk_{L1}t} \left[\frac{\begin{bmatrix} [ArX]_{o}}{R'_{L1}}c \\ \frac{[PaX]_{o}}{R'_{L1}}c \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 \end{bmatrix} + \frac{k'_{0A1} (X_{o} - c) + k'_{0A1} (X_{o} - c) + \frac{k'_{0A2} (X_{o} - c)}{k'_{L1}} (X_{o} - c)}{k'_{L1} (X_{o} - c)} \right] \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[Ra]_{o}^{2}} \right] = \frac{k'_{0A2} (c - X_{o}) + \frac{k'_{0A2} (R''X)_{o}}{k'_{L1} (X_{o} - c)} \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{k'_{D2} [ArrX]_{o}} < 5 > (X_{o} - c)} \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} < 5 > +L_{o} \right)}{[ArrX]_{o}} \left[\frac{c + 1}{c + 1} \right] \frac{[R'd]_{o}}{k'_{L1} (X_{o} - c)} \frac{[Ra]_{o}}{k'_{L1} (X_{o} - c)} \frac{[Ra]_{o}}{k'_{L1} (X_{o} - c)} - \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} < 5 > +L_{o} \right)} \frac{[R'd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} < 5 > +L_{o} \right)
$$

Further rearrangement yields....

$$
\frac{d}{dk_{L1}} \left[\frac{[ArX]_{o}}{[Pd]_{o}} c \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \left(\frac{k'_{0A1}}{k'_{0A2}} \frac{1}{k'_{F}(A_{0}-c) + \frac{k'_{0A2}}{k'_{R}} \frac{k'_{0A1}}{k'_{0A2}} (X_{0}-c)}{1} + 1 \right) (X_{0}-c) & 0 \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[Rd]_{o}} c} & \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{(1+X)_{o}} & 5 & (X_{0}-c) \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{(1+X)_{o}} & 5 & + \frac{k'_{D2}}{k'_{D1}} (A_{0}-c) \end{bmatrix} \qquad \begin{aligned} \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{k'_{D2}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{k'_{D2}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{(1+X)_{o}} & & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{[Pd]_{o}} & & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{[Pd]_{o}} & & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} & & & & & \\ \frac{[P
$$

Finally, we cast this into a form amenable to computer implementation. We should note that the second and third equations of **2.11** are linearly dependent and that the first column of the Jacobian contains only zero elements.

$$
\frac{d}{dk'_{L1}t} \left[\frac{[ArX]_{o}}{[Pd]_{o}} c \right] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \left(\frac{k'_{OA1}}{k'_{OA2}} \frac{1}{k'_{F}(A_{0}-c) + \frac{k'_{OA2}}{k'_{RA}} \frac{1}{k'_{OA2}} (X_{0}-c)} + 1 \right) (X_{0}-c) & 0 \\ & \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} < 5 > (X_{0}-c) & \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} < 5 > (X_{0}-c) \end{bmatrix} \qquad \frac{[Pd]_{o}}{[ArX]_{o}} \times 5 > + \frac{k'_{DA2}}{k'_{DA1}} (A_{0}-c) \right]
$$
\n
$$
= \frac{\left(\frac{[Pd]_{o}}{k'_{LA}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{[ArX]_{o}} \right) \left(\frac{1}{
$$

This system of equations (equation **2.11)** has the following two possible initial conditions

$$
\text{"On-Cycle" initial condition } \begin{bmatrix} c \\ 1' \\ 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ when } k_{L1}'t = 0 \tag{2.12a}
$$

"Off-Cycle" initial condition
$$
\begin{bmatrix} c \\ < 1' > \\ < 5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}
$$
 when $k'_{L1}t = 0$ 2.12b

A total of **13** dimensionless groups for this model are as **follows33:**

$$
\langle 1' \rangle, \langle 5 \rangle, c, X_0, A_0, L_0, \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_o}, k'_{\text{L1}} t, \frac{k'_{\text{OA1}}}{k'_{\text{OA2}}}, \frac{k'_{\text{OA2}}}{k'_{\text{L1}}}
$$

$$
\frac{k'_{\text{OA2}}}{k'_{\text{R}}}, \frac{k'_{\text{F}}}{k_{\text{R}}}, \frac{k'_{\text{D2}}}{k'_{\text{D}}}
$$

The parameter **< 1' >** represents the dimensionless concentration of Species **I'** and **< 5 >** represents the dimensionless concentration of Species **5** which are the only two "allowed" species in the mathematical model. These parameters can take allowed values between zero and one but their sums must equal one. The c parameter represents a dimensionless conversion relative to a reference concentration $[ArX]_o$. The value of c can take values between zero up to the lesser value (limiting reagent) of X_0 or A_0 . (Typically X_0 is set to one equivalent and A_0 is set to 1.4 equivalents so that the value of c is between zero and one.) The parameters X_0 and A_0 represent aryl halide equivalents and amine equivalents relative to the reference (dimensioned) concentration [ArX]_o which is specified at 0.73 M. The parameter L₀ represents the number of "added" ligand equivalents relative to the (dimensioned) concentration [Pd]₀. The ratio $\frac{[Pd]_0}{[ArX]_0}$ represents the (dimensionless) molar fraction of palladium relative to the (dimensioned) reference concentration. The dimensionless parameter $\frac{\kappa'$ oA₁ is set to a value of 200, which indicates that oxidative addition through pathway **OA1** is faster than **OA2.** The

dimensionless parameter $\frac{\kappa' 0 A 2}{\kappa' 1}$ is set to a value of 10. Further increases in this value do not change the simulation results' but can cause numerical instability in the Runge-Kutta algorithm used as implemented by MATLAB. The parameter k'_{L1} t represents a dimensionless time, thus equation **2.11** is solved in this dimensionless time coordinate and given the actual experimental time k'_{L} is then determined.

This leaves the following dimensionless groups to be determined. Given that the reaction rate is a strong function of amine (as shown in Figure **2-18),** we compute the following estimate-

$$
\frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{[\text{ArX}]_o} < 5 \gg \frac{k'_{D2}}{k'_{D}} (A_0 - c) \rightarrow \frac{[\text{Pd}]_0}{(A_0 - c)} \ll \frac{k'_{D2}}{k'_{D}} \rightarrow \frac{k'_{D2}}{k'_{D}} \sim \left(0.004 * \frac{1}{1.4}\right) \tag{2.15}
$$

We also make the following estimate

$$
\frac{k'_{F}}{k_{R}}(A_{0}-c) \approx \frac{k'_{0A2}k'_{0A1}}{k'_{R}k'_{0A2}}(X_{0}-c) \rightarrow \frac{k'_{F}}{k_{R}}1.4 \approx \frac{k_{0A2}}{k_{R}}200*1
$$

Based on the experimental observation that the morpholine based reaction gives 20 to **30** turnovers at room temperature we estimate the parameter $\frac{\kappa}{k\prime_R}$ to have a value of 0.05 thus based on equation 2.16 we would estimate $\frac{\kappa_F}{k r_R}$ temperature to have a value of 7.1. Keeping in mind that these two dimensionless groups are compensating parameters (see the Jacobian of equataton 1.11 (1st row 2nd column)), an alternative method would be to set $\frac{\kappa_{\not F}}{\kappa_{\not R}}$ to unity and thus obtain an estimate for $\frac{\kappa' 0 A 2}{k' R}$. Based on these initial estimates, two of the parameters were fitted the experimental values in the manuscript in order to obtain the final parameters summarized in the table below.

k'OA2 10 [-] Estimated

Table 2-1 Parameters for Kinetic Simulations

k'oA2

 $\frac{k'_{\text{OA2}}}{k'_{\text{I1}}}$

With these parameters a MATLAB script was run to solve Equation **2.11** and the rates were plotted as a function of dimensionless time. **A** convolution **by** use of a Fourier transform was applied to the simulated rate data in order to better reproduce the calorimeter's response factor. This data was then plotted in Excel and converted to dimensioned coordinates- Rate in terms of M/min and time in terms of minutes.

Figure 2-21 Simulated rates in terms of dimensionless time at various concentration of palladium catalyst. Initial condition is given by equation 2.12a. Kinetic parameters are given in Table 2-1. $(A₀ = 1.3$ and $X₀ = 1.0)$

Figure 2-22 Simulated rates as a function of dimensionless time. Initial conditions given **by** equation **2.12b.** Kinetic parameters are otherwise unchanged.

Figure **2-23** Simulated rate as a function of dimensionless time. Initial condition is given **by** equation **2.12b.** Concentration of palladium is 0.4 mol **%** relative to reference concentration. Curves refer to different amine equivalent: **0.7** (blue), **1.1** (ref), 1.4 (green) and **2.8** (purple)

Figure 2-24 Simulated rate as a function of dimensionless time. Inset shows same graph as function of time in minutes. Initial condition is given **by** equation **2.12b.** Palladium concentration is 0.4 mol **%** relative to reference concentration $[ArX]_0 = 0.73M$.

Figure 2-25 Experimental Data plotting reciprocal reaction time.

2.4.3. Approximations in the model for Pd(O) Complexes.

With even modest numbers of (compensating) parameters in a model, it is easy to simulate most any kind of behavior. However, in the absence of corroborative experimental evidence (i.e. kinetic experiments of individual steps) many different combinations of kinetic parameters will

yield similar results. **A** more realistic model (Scheme **2-8)** may thus include different **Pd(O)** species in addition to Complex **I** and Complex **1'** with which further "adjustments" could be made to achieve a better fit to the experimental data but we felt a simpler model would more effectively rationalize and communicate our experimental results (Scheme **2-6).** We have presented a more exhaustive scheme below where those species labeled with a green box are the same as those presented in the manuscript.

It is important to point out that the amido complex **IV** undergoes reductive elimination to form complex **0** which is contained in the grey box of Scheme **2-8.** This intermediate **0** can then form a series of complexes **I', A,** B, **C** which all can undergo oxidative addition to form **1I'.** This same intermediate can also form **I,** which is in the yellow box of Scheme **2-8.** In the manuscript, the yellow box (Scheme **2-8)** is represented as a single species **I.** In the manuscript, the grey box (Scheme **2-8)** is represented as a single species **1'.**

With significant mathematical effort, the fitted rate constants (Table 2-1) could be recast in terms of the elementary processes described in Scheme **2-8.** This would require application of a detailed balance for each elementary step, which imposes some mathematical constraints but will result in an underdetermined set of equations.² Nonetheless, we can take this scheme and **by** use of scaling arguments show a set of differential equations (rate laws) that match in form equation 2.11

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ireen Boxes are complexes presented in the manuscript
ink Boxes are Complexes which can undergo oxidative addition.
The box indicates those species which are represented by I' in the manuscript and the particle of the prop

\rX
|ArRR' Cross coupled product
|<mark>{H}RR'</mark> Amine Substrate

We start by defining the following auxiliary functions, F (grey box; Scheme 2-8) and H (yellow box; Scheme **2-8).**

$$
\mathcal{H} = [1] + [D] \tag{2.17}
$$
\n
$$
= [1'] + [A] + [B] + [C] + [E] + [F] + [G] + [H] + [I] + [J] + [K] + [L] + [M] + [N] + [N]
$$
\n
$$
+ [N]
$$

We give an example for how rate constants are written for the elementary reaction steps of Scheme 2-8. For the conversion of Species K to Species A, the rate constant is k_{K,A} and the rate constant for the reverse reaction is written as $k_{A,K}$ in the interest of saving space in an already complicated reaction diagram, these rate constants are not explicitly written in Scheme **2-8.**

We thus begin to define the following relationships in terms of our 1st order rate constants as in equation **2.11.**

$$
\overline{k_{OA1}} = \frac{k_{D,II}[D]}{\mathcal{H}}
$$

Since H is defined as the sum of $[1]$ and $[D]$ then we would expect that the ratio of $[D]$ to H be proportional to the amount of aryl halide so that k_{OA1} is proportional to the amount of aryl halide. Another rate constant can thus be defined as follows

$$
\overline{k_F} = \frac{k_{DJ}[Amine][D]}{\mathcal{H}} + \frac{k_{[1]I}[Amine][1]}{\mathcal{H}} + \frac{k_{DE}[PROD][D]}{\mathcal{H}} + \frac{k_{[1]O}[PROD][1]}{\mathcal{H}}
$$
 2.20

The highlighted terms are proportional the amount of amine thus making $\overline{k_F}$ proportional to the amount of amine. The $3rd$ and $4th$ terms are in proportion to the amount of product that is not as nucleophilic as the amine and thus should not contribute significantly to the rate constant. Another rate constant can thus be defined as follows

$$
\overline{k_R} = \frac{k_{ID}[J]}{\mathcal{F}} + \frac{k_{I[1]}[I]}{\mathcal{F}} + \frac{k_{ED}[E]}{\mathcal{F}}
$$

The highlighted terms are not proportional to any of the substrates. The function F should be proportional to the amount of amine and thus the concentration of **J** and **I** (which are part of F and contain amine as a ligand) should also be proportional to the amount of amine. The last term contains the concentration of **E** which, a complex which includes as a ligand the crosscoupled product from reductive elimination. Thus its contribution to the rate constant should be small. From these arguments, would give the rate constant $\overline{k_R}$ no dependence on any substrates. This brings us to our final kinetic constant...

$$
\overline{k_{OA2}} = \frac{k_{OA,A}[A]}{\mathcal{F}} + \frac{k_{OA,C}[C]}{\mathcal{F}}
$$

The concentration of **A** should be proportional the amount of product amine (blue species; Scheme **2-8)** which should not be as effective a ligand as the substrate amine (red species; Scheme 2-8). Based on this argument we can ignore the contribution of the 1st term. For the second term, the concentration of Species **C** should be in proportion to the concentration of ArX. Most of the species in F do not contain aryl halide as a ligand. Thus we would expect the rate constant $\overline{k_{0A2}}$ to be in proportional to the concentration of aryl halide.

Using equations **2.17** to 2.22, we can write the system of differential equations in a form very similar to equation 2.11 for our catalytic cycle. Thus given our scaling arguments for equations **2.19** and 2.22 Scheme **2-8** can be reasonably represented **by** the mechanism given in Scheme **2-16.**

$$
\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} [ArX]_o c \\ \mathcal{H} \\ \mathcal{F} \\ [2^{\prime}] \\ [5] \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{k_{oA1}} & \overline{k_{oA2}} & 0 & 0 \\ -(\overline{k_F} + \overline{k_{oA1}}) & \overline{k_R} & 0 & 0 \\ \overline{k_F} + \overline{k_{oA1}} & -(\overline{k_R} + \overline{k_{oA2}}) & k_{D1} & k_{L1} \\ 0 & \overline{k_{oA2}} & -(k_{D1} + k_{D2}) & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & k_{D2} & -k_{L1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathcal{H} \\ \mathcal{F} \\ [2^{\prime}] \\ [5] \end{bmatrix}
$$
 (2.23)

2.4.4. MATLAB Script Files

What follows are the script files used to generate the simulated rate data.

```
function Objective2 = BatchScript2(min-arg)
     Param.PdArX = 0.004; %experiment
      Param.AO = 1.4; % experiment
      Param.XO = 1.0; % experiment
     Param.L0 = 0; %experiment
     Param.ArXO = 0.73; %constant
     Param.kOAlkOA2 = 200;
     Param.kOA2kL2 = 10;
     Param.kFkR =1*abs(min_arg(1));
     Param.k0A2kR = 2*0.0059*abs(min_arg(2));
     Param.kd2kd = 0.001*abs(min_arg(3));IVP =0.1 ;
     Param.plot =1;
     Param.SpeciesPlot = 0;
     Param.plot-script = 'r';
     Param.Save = 1;
     Param.Filename ='out.csv';
     if(1)
     Param.convolution = 0.2;
     else
          Param.convolution = 0;
     end
     LOdata = [0 2 4 6 71;
      Pd_data = [0.0043 0.0042 0.0040 0.0039 0.0044];<br>time_data = [217 137 124 112 85];<br>Color_data = ['r' 'k' 'k' 'k' 'k'];<br>Names  = ['out1a.csv'; 'out1b.csv'; 'out1c.csv'; 'out1d.csv' ;'out1e.csv'];
      LOdata2 = [0 0 0 0];
A0_data2 = [0.7 1.1 1.4 2.8];
      Pd_data2 = [0.0040 0.0040 0.0040 0.0040];<br>time_data2 = [85 190 230 875];<br>Color_data2 = ['b' 'r' g' 'm'];<br>Names2 = ['out2a.csv'; 'out2b.csv';'out2c.csv' ;'out2d.csv'];
      LOdata3 = [0 0 0];
      A0_data3 = [1.4 1.4 1.4];<br>Pd_data3 = [0.00405 0.004059 0.004];
      XOdata3 = [0.5 1.23 1.0];
      time_data3 = [50 225 10];<br>Color_data3 = ['b' 'r' 'g'];
      Names3 = ['out3a.csv'; 'out3b.csv'; 'out3c.csv'];
```

```
L2 = 1.2; % should be 1.2 from 12
    L2t = 450;if(Param.plot)
    figure();
    hold on;
  end
  for i = 1:5Param.plot_script = Color_data(i);<br>Param.L0 = L0_data(i);<br>Param.PdArX = Pd_data(i);
    Param.Filename = Names(i,:);
   Time0(i) =FullODEScript2(IVP,L2t,Param);
Objectivela(i) = Time0(i) /(L2*timedata(i))-1;
  end
  if(Param.plot)
  figure();
  hold on;
  plot((Pd_data/0.0043).*(1+L0_data),1./ Time0,'+');
  end
  if(Param.plot)
   figure();
   hold on;
  end
  for i = 1:4
    Param.plot_script = Color_data2(i);
     Param.LO = L0_data2(i);
Param.AO = AOdata2(i);
    Param.PdArX = Pd_data2(i);
      Param.Filename = Names2(i,:);
    Objective1b(i) = FullODEScript2(IVP,L2t,Param)/(L2*time_data2(i))-1;
  end
  if(Param.plot)
    figure();
    hold on;
  end
   for i = 1:3
      Param.plot_script = Color_data3(i);
      Param.LO = L0_data3(i);
      Param.A@ = A@ = data3(i);Param.X0 = X0_data3(i);
      Param.PdArX = Pd_data3(i);
     Param.Filename = Names3(i,:);
     Objective1c(i) = FullODEScript2(IVP,L2t,Param)/(L2*time_data3(i))-1;
   end
   if(Param.plot)
    figure();
    hold on; end
    Pddata4 = [0.003 0.004 0.005 0.006 0.007 0.01];
Colordata4 = [k' 'k' 'r' ' m' 'r';
    Names4 = [ 'out4a.csv'; 'out4b.csv'; 'out4c.csv'; 'out4d.csv'; 'out4e.csv'; 'out4f.x
csv']
   for i = 1: length (Pd_data4)
```

```
Param.plot_script = Color_data4(i);
       Param.LO = 0;
       Param.AO = 1.4;
      Param.XO = 1.0;
       Param.PdArX = Pd_data4(i);<br>Param.Filename = Names4(i,:);
      FullODEScript2(IVP,L2t,Param);
   end
%Compute On Cycle vs Off-Cycle<br>
Color_data5 = ['r' 'b' 'g' 'm' 'b' 'b' 'b'];<br>
Names5 = ['out5a.csv';'out5b.csv'; 'out6a.csv' ; 'out6b.csv' ; 'out6c.csv'; 'out6d.x<br>
csv';'out6e.csv'];<br>
Pd_Data5 = [0.004 0.004 0.0034 0.0032 
      figure();<br>hold <mark>on;</mark>
   end
   for i = 1: length(Pd_Data5)Param.plot_script = Color_data5(i);<br>Param.L0 = 0;<br>Param.A0 = 1.4;<br>Param.X0 = 1.0;
      Param.PdArX = Pd_Data5(i);
      Param.Filename = Names5(i,:);\frac{i f(i == 1 | i == 2)}{IVP = 1}if(i == 2)
IVP = 0.1;
              end
             FullODEScript2(IVP,L2t,Param);
       else
              if(Param.plot && i==3)
              figure();
              hold on;
             end
             IVP = 1;
             FullODEScript2(IVP,L2t,Param);
      end
   end
```

```
Objectivela = Objectivela .* Objectivela;
Objectivela = sum(Objectivela);
Objectivelb = Objectivelb .* Objectivelb;
Objectiveib = sum(Objectivelb);
Objectiveic = Objectivelc .* Objective1c;
Objectivelc = sum(Objectivelc);
```
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Objective2 **=** Objectiveib **+** Objectiveic **+** Objectivela return;

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```
function [RxnTime,turnover,c,F,IV,kT] = FullODEScript2(IVP,kL2t,Param)
if(IVP ==1)
    Initialvalue = [0 1 0]; %On Cycle conditions
else
    Initial_value = [0 0 1]; %Off Cycle conditions
end
default_opt = odeset();
if(Param.convolution)
    [kT, Y] = ode45(@FullODESet2b, [0:0.5:kL2t], Initial_value, default_opt, Param);
else
     [kT,Y] = ode45(@FullODESet2b, [0 kL2t], Initial_value,default_opt,Param);
end
c = Y(<mark>:,1)</mark><br>F = Y(:,2)<br>IV = Y(:,3
rate = zeros(1, length(kT));for i = 1:length(Y(:,1))
tmp = FullODESet2b(0,[Y(i,1) Y(i,2) Y(i,3)],Param);
rate(i) = Param.ArXO * tmp(1);
end
if(Param.convolution)
   convolution = transpose(exp(-abs(Param.convolution)*kT))
                                                                         \cdotrate = ifft(fft(rate).*fft(convolution))./(length(rate).*Param.convolution);
end
if(Param.plot)
   %figure()
     plot(kT,rate,Param.plot_script,'LineWidth',3)<br>xlabel('Dimensionless Time (kL2t)')
    ylabel(Rate dc/d(klt) * ArXo')
     %hold on;
    %plot(kT,c,'c','LineWidth',3);
end
if(Param.SpeciesPlot)
    % figure();<br>plot(kT,IV,Param.plot_script,'LineWidth',3)<br>xlabel('Dimensionless Time (kL2t)');
     ylabel('Concentration');
end
RxnTime = -1;for i = 1:1:length(Y(:,1))
if(Y(i,1) > 0.97*Param.A0 Y(i,1) > 0.96*Param.X0)
         RxnTime = kT(i);break;
    end
end
temp = zeros(length(rate),2);
if(Param.Save)
%rate(2) = 0;
    for i = 1: length(rate)
          temp(i,1) = kT(i);
          temp(i,2) = rate(i);
```
\sim \sim

end % length(rate) csvwrite(Param.Filename,temp); end return

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```
function dx = FullODESet2(t,x,external_param)
%easier to follow
c = x);
F = x(2);
IV = x(3);if(c < 0)c = 0;
end
if(c > externalparam.X0 || c> external_param.AO)
if(externalparam.X0 < externalparam.A0)
c = external-param.X0;
   else
   end
        c = externalparam.A0;
end
if(IV < 0)
    IV = 0;
end
if(IV > 1)IV = 1;
end
if(F < 0) F = 0;
end
if(F > 1)F = 1;
end
if(c > 0.97*externalparam.X0 || c > 0.97*externalparam.A0)
     dx = [0 0 0];
     return ;
end
%Different Parameters
PdArX = external_param.PdArX;
kd2kd = externalparam.kd2kd;
%kRkF = externalparam.kRkF;
A0 = externalparam.A0;
X0 = externalparam.X0;
L0 = external_param.L0;
kOA1kOA2 = externalparam.kOAlkOA2;
ArX0 = 0.73;
kOA2kL2 = external_param.kOA2kL2
kOA2kR= externalparam.kOA2kR;
kFkR= externalparam.kFkR;
%IVP =0.5 ;
```
%Intermediate Results

%T **= 1 +** kOA2kd2*(X0-c)/((kdkd2/(A0-c)+1)*(1+kRkF/(AO-c)));

%Jacobian **J11 = 0; J21 = 0; J31 = 0; J12 =** kOA2kL2*(XO-c)*(1+kOAlkOA2/(kFkR*(AO-c)+kOA2kR*kOAkOA2*(XO-c))) J22a **=** kOA2kL2*(c-XO); **J22b =** kOA2kL2*PdArX*IV*(XO-c)/(PdArX*IV+kd2kd*(AO-c)); **J22 =** J22a+J22b; **J32 =** kOA2kL2*kd2kd*(AO-c)*(XO-c)/(PdArX*IV+kd2kd*(AO-c)); **J13 = 0; J23 =** PdArX*(IV+LO); **J33 =** -PdArX*(IV+LO); %don't multiply by c because I didn't divide by c
dx(1) = (J11 + J12 * F + J13 * IV)*PdArX;
dx(2) = J21 + J22 * F + J23 * IV ;
dx(3) = J31 + J32 * F + J33 * IV; dx **=** transpose(dx);

2.4.5. Calorimetry and NMR Procedures

2.4.5.1. Off-Cycle (*OA1) Method.

Procedure for "off-cycle" method is the similar to calorimetry procedure given in chapter **1** of this thesis. The solution for ***OA1a** is described as follows: The In a nitrogen-filled glove box, weighed amounts of n-propyl amine (1.4 equiv.), NaOtBu (1.4 equiv.), and 3-bromoanisole **(1.0** equiv.) were loaded into a screw cap test tube. For each equivalent of 3-bromoanisole was added **1.0 g** of 1,4-dioxane. The stock solution was used across multiple experiments. The complex **OA1a** (20 mol **%)** was added to aliquots of this solution were added to and the mixture allowed to sit for **1** h at room temperature to form ***OA1a.** Syringes were loaded with this stock solution and weighed. The syringes were removed from the glove box and then used in the calorimetry experiment.

2.4.5.2. ³¹P-NMR Quantification Experiments

A measured amount of triphenylphosphine was dissolved in benzene- d_6 (purchased from Cambridge Isotopes labs). This solution was then partitioned into capillaries that were then flame sealed. **A** capillary was inserted into the NMR tube during the experiment. **A** stock solution of NaOtBu, n-propylamine, benzene- d_{6} , and 3-bromoanisole was then made in the glove box. Calibration of the capillaries was performed **by** dissolving a known amount of RuPhos **(Li)** into an aliquot of stock solution. Relaxation time was set to **60** seconds. Inverse gated decoupling was applied. **A** total of 64 repetitions (for adequate signal to noise ratio) were acquired giving an experiment time of approximately **1** h.

2.4.6. Calorimetry at 105 *C

2.4.6.1. Coupling of N-methylaniline with 3-bromoanisole

Following Procedure in section 2, a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole **(2.78 g,** 14.9 mmol), **N**methyl aniline (2.22 **g, 20.7** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.02 **g,** 21.0 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (14.8 **g)** was partitioned into **3** separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the

catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst solution A: OA1a (10.7 mg, 14.1 μ mol) in toluene **(5.02 g), 2.13** mg/g. Catalyst solution B: **OA1a (10.6** mg, 14.0 pmol) in toluene **(5.02 g),** 2.11 mg/g.

Figure **2-26** Rate of reaction for different catalyst (OA1a) loadings

Table 2-2 Stock Solution

Table **2-3** Catalyst Solutions

Table 2-4 Run Summary

Table 2-5 **GC** Data

Table **2-6** Energy Density

2.4.6.2. OA1a **catalyzed coupling of morpholine with 3-bromanisole**

Following general procedure (see section 2.4.3), a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole (3.74 **g,** 20.0 mmol), morpholine (2.43 **g, 27.9** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.70 g, 28.1** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20.0 **g)** was partitioned into **3** separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst solution **A: OA1a (17.0** mg, 22.4 pmol) in benzene **(1.00 g), 16.7** mg/g. Catalyst solution B: **OA1a (15.2** mg, 20.1 pmol) in benzene **(1.01 g),** 14.8 mg/g. Catalyst solution **C: OAla (12.9** mg, **17.0** pmol) in benzene (1.02 **g), 12.5** mg/g.

Figure 2-27 Rate of Reaction for different catalyst **(OA1a)** loadings

Table 2-7 Stock Solution

Table 2-8 Catalyst Solution

Table 2-9 Run Summary

Table 2-11 GC Data

2.4.6.3. OA1a catalyzed coupling of morpholine with 3-bromanisole and added RuPhos Li

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole (3.74 **g,** 20.0 mmol), morpholine (2.43 **g, 27.9** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.70 g, 28.1** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20.0 **g)** was partitioned into 2 separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. The stock catalyst solution of **OA1a** was made with varied amounts of extra ligand L1. Catalyst solution A: OA1a (100.9 mg, 133 μ mol) in benzene **(10.0 g).** Catalyst solution B: Catalyst Solution **A (2.008 g)** with **Li (48.7** mg, 104 pmol). Catalyst solution **C:** Catalyst Solution **A (2.0033 g)** with **Li (97.1** mg, **208** pmol).

Figure 2-28 Rate of reaction with additional ligand L1

Table 2-12 Stock Solution

Table **2-13** Catalyst Solution

Table 2-14 Run Summary

Table **2-16** Energy Density

2.4.6.4. DalPhos-based Pd catalyzed coupling of n-octylamine and bromobenzene

Following General Procedure **A, a** stock solution of bromobenzene **(2.32 g,** 14.9 mmol), n-octyl amine **(2.31 g, 17.9** mmol) and NaO'Bu (2.00 **g, 20.8** mmol) in toluene (14.81 **g)** was partitioned into 4 separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: DalPhos-OA (41.1 mg, 54.0 µmol) in THF **(1.01 g), 39.2** mg/g.

Figure 2-29 Reaction rate at different DalPhos-based catalyst loadings

Table **2-17** Stock Solution

Table **2-18** Catalyst Solution

Table **2-19** Run Summary

Table 2-20 **GC** Data

Table 2-21 Energy Density

2.4.6.5. DalPhos-based Pd Catalyzed coupling of bromo/chlorobenzene and n-octylamine

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of bromobenzene **(2.32 g,** 14.9 mmol), n-octyl amine **(2.31 g, 17.9** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.02 **g,** 21.0 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (14.80 **g)** was

partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. **A** second stock solution of chlorobenzene **(1.69 g, 15.0** mmol), n-octylamine **(2.30 g, 17.8** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.02 **g, 20.8** mmol) in toluene (14.80 **g)** was partitioned into a vial and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: **DalPhos-OA (30.3** mg, **39.8** pmol) in THF **(0.76 g), 38.3** mg/g.

Figure 2-30 Reaction rate at different concentrations of DalPhos-OA catalyst

Table 2-22 Stock Solution for Channels B1 and B2

Table 2-23 Stock Solution for channel B3

Table 2-24 Catalyst Solution

Table **2-25** Run Summary

Table **2-26 GC** Data

Table **2-27** Energy Density

2.4.6.6. BrettPhos-based Pd catalyzed coupling of n-propylamine with 3 bromoanisole

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole **(2.79 g,** 14.9 mmol), npropylamine **(1.23 g, 20.8** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.00 **g, 20.8** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane **(15.02 g)** was partitioned into **3** separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution A: **OA6** (40.0 mg, 48.3 μ mol) in THF **(0.9102 g),** 42.1 mg/g. Catalyst Solution B: **OA6 (39.1** mg, 47.1 pmol) in THF **(0.7057 g), 52.5** mg/g. Catalyst Solution **C: OA6 (39.9** mg, 48.1 pmol) in THF **(0.6033 g), 62.0** mg/g.

In a second experiment (Tables **2-33** to 2-34) a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole **(2.90 g, 15.5** mmol), n-propylamine **(1.23 g, 20.9** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.07 g, 21.5** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane **(15.01 g)** was partitioned into a reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution **D: OA6** (40.1 mg, 48.4 pmol) in THF **(0.5928 g),** 63.4 mg/g.

Figure **2-31** Rate of reaction with varying amounts of BrettPhos-Based Catalyst **(OA6)**

Table **2-28** Stock Solution

Table 2-29 Catalyst Solution

Table **2-30** Run Summary

Table **2-32 GC** Data

Table **2-33** Stock Solution for Channel B4

Table 2-34 Catalyst Solution for Channel B4

Table **2-35** Run Summary for Channel B4

Table **2-36** Energy Density for Channel B4

2.4.6.7. BrettPhos-based Pd catalyzed coupling of 3-bromo/chloroanisole and n-propylamine

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole **(2.79 g,** 14.9 mmol), npropylamine **(1.23 g, 20.8** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.00 **g, 20.8** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane **(15.02 g)** was partitioned into 2 separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. **A** second stock solution of 3-chloroanisole (2.14 **g, 15.01** mmol), n-propyl amine **(1.23 g, 20.8** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.01 **g, 20.9** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane **(15.01 g)** was partitioned into 2 vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: **OA6 (99.7** mg, 120 pmol) in THF **(2.25 g),** 42.4 mg/g.

Figure **2-32** BrettPhos **(OA6)** Pd-Catalyzed reactions of 3-chloroanisole with 3-bromoanisole compared.

Table **2-38** Stock Solution (3-chloroanisole)

Table **2-39** Stock Solution (3-bromoanisole)

Table 3-40 Catalyst Solution

Table 2-41 Run Summary

Table 2-42 Energy Density

Table 2-43 GC Data

2.4.6.8. 31P-NMR Quantification at 20 *C for OAla coupling of morpholine/npropylamine with 3-bromoanisole.

Four 31P-NMR experiments were performed. First a stock solution of triphenylphosphine in deuterated benzene was sealed in a glass capillary. This capillary was placed in an NMR tube with a stock solution of RuPhos (L1) in benzene-d₆ (Experiment #1). The NMR experiment was performed and the observed phosphorus signal for **Li** was quantitated and referenced to the signal for the triphenylphosphine. This capillary was used in subsequent experiments.

A stock solution (Solution **A)** of n-propylamine, NaOtBu, 3-bromoanisole, and benzene**d6** was added to **OA1a** in experiment #2. This same stock solution (Solution **A)** was added to OA1a and **Li** in experiment **#3.** Comparison of the exp. #2 and exp. **#3** does not support the presence of a dynamic equilibrium (vide infra) between free **Li** and a phosphine ligated palladium species,

Finally a stock solution (Solution B) of morpholine, NaOtBu, 3-bromoanisole, and benzene-d₆ was added to **OA1a** in experiment #4. Quantification by ³¹P-NMR indicated 60 % of the supporting ligand could be accounted for as free ligand **L1.**

Table 2-44 Stock Solutions

Table 2-45 Run Summary

Exp#	OA1a [mg]	RuPhos (L1) [mg]	Sol Name [-]	Sol Weight [g]	Conc _{L1} (from OA1a) [mg/g]	Conc (added) L1 [mg/g]
1	0	12.5	benzene- d_{κ}	1.1168	0.00	11.07
2	15.7	0	А	0.9001	10.54	0.00
3	15.8	6.1	A	0.9066	10.53	6.57
4	5.6	0	в	0.9901	3.46	0.00

Table **2-46** 31P-NMR Data and Yield Calculations

Equilibrium calculation for experiments #2 and #3

Taking experiment #2 we can calculate a presumed equilibrium constant for free ligand using an equilibrium relationship. Given that we can account for **30 %** free ligand we can calculate a K value of **0.1286** as seen below.

$$
K = \frac{[L1][Pd]}{[PdL]} \Rightarrow K = \frac{(0.3)(0.3)}{1 - 0.3} = 0.1286
$$

Thus as we have done for experiment **#3** where we have added a concentration of extra Li ligand (Table 45; last column) corresponding to a significant portions of the concentration. **If** the equilibrium assumption were justified, we would anticipate a "free" ligand yield of 14 **%.** Instead the measured value indicates a yield of **26 %** (Table 3-46; Exp **#3)** which is comparable to the 30 % yield of the control reaction. This result suggests that the ligand association L1 is not at dynamic equilibrium.

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\frac{(x+0.62)(x)}{1-x} = 0.1286 \Rightarrow x = 0.14
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2.4.7. Calorimetry at Low Temperatures

2.4.7.1. OAla based coupling of different amines with 3-bromoanisole at 20 OC.

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, weighed amounts of aryl halide, amine, base, and solvent were charged into separate **16** mL vials (Wheaton Vial, **16** mL **E-C** Vial, Cat **#** 224706). The vials were equipped with a stir bar and then sealed with a silicon rubber/Teflon laminated septum (ThermoScientific, **10/90** FOR18-400, **B7995-18).** The part number for retaining cap for each septum/vial was manufactured **by** Kimble-Chase (part **#** 73804-18400). The vials were removed from the glove box and loaded into the calorimeter controlled at a temperature of 20 ***C. A** reaction vial containing pure solvent was loaded into reference channel of the calorimeter.

Separately, (multiple) solutions of **OAla** were prepared **by** the addition of the palladium complex into toluene or other appropriate solvent in a 4 mL Vial (Wheaton 4 mL **E-C** Vial Cat 224742). The masses of the palladium complex and solvent were recorded. Syringes equipped with a 6-inch needle were then loaded with the catalyst solution and weighed. After thermal equilibration of the reaction vials $(\sim 1$ h) into the preheated calorimeter, the catalyst solution was injected through the septum to start the reactions. The syringes were weighed again to calculate the total amount of catalyst injected into the reaction. An equal mass of pure solvent was injected into the reference channel.

The vials were removed after 2 hours time, a weighed amount of n-dodecane was added and the mixture immediately analyzed **by** gas chromatography.

Figure **2-33** Power output from calorimeter for various amine types

Table 2-47 Catalyst Solution

Table 2-48 Run Summary

Table 2-49 **GC** Data

Figure 2-34 Power output from calorimeter for iso-propylamine reaction

Table **2-50** Run Summary

Table **2-51** Catalyst Solution

Table **2-52 GC** Data

2.4.7.2. Ligand screening with n-propylamine and 3-bromoanisole at 20 *C

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole (3.74 **g,** 20.0 mmol), npropylamine **(1.63 g, 27.7** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.69 g, 28.0** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20.0 **g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution A: P7 (30.5 mg, 41.3 µmol) in **CH 2Cl2 (0.5021 g), 57.3** mg/g. Catalyst Solution B: **P6 (30.0** mg, 42.3 pmol) in **CH 2C 2 (0.5021 g),** 56.4 mg/g. Catalyst Solution **C:** OA1a **(29.8** mg, **39.3** pmol) in **CH 2C 2 (0.5029 g), 55.9** mg/g. Catalyst Solution **D: OA3 (29.7** mg, **36.3** pmol) in **CH 2Cl2** (0.5349 **g), 52.6** mg/g.

Figure **2-35** Reaction rate for BrettPhos **(P6)** based cross-coupling of n-propylamine and 3-bromoanisole

Table **2-53** Stock Solution

Table 2-54 Catalyst Solutions

Table **2-55** Run Summary Data

Table **2-56** Energy Data

Table **2-57 GC** Data

2.4.7.3. 'BuBrettPhos-based Pd catalyzed coupling of n-propylamine and 3 bromoanisole at 20 *C

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole **(2.80 g, 15.0** mmol), npropyl amine **(1.37 g, 23.2** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.02 **g,** 21.0 mmol) in 1,4-dioxane **(15.0 g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: **BuBrettPhos-OA** (38.9 mg, **50.0** pmol) in THF (0.5148 **g), 70.3** mg/g.

Figure 2-36 *fButylBrettPhos-based coupling of 3-bromoanisole with n-propylamine*

Table **2-58** Stock Solution

Table **2-59** Catalyst Solution

Table **2-60** Run Summary

Table **2-61** Energy Density

Table **2-62 GC** Data

2.4.7.4. S-BINAP-based **Pd** catalyzed coupling of N-methylpiperazine and bromobenzene at **60 *C.**

Following General Procedure **A,** a stock solution of bromobenzene (2.34 **g, 15.0** mmol), **N**methyl piperazine **(1.80 g, 18.0** mmol) and NaOtBu (2.01 **g, 20.9** mmol) in toluene **(15.0 g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution **A: BINAP-OA (25.3** mg, **28.6** pmol) in benzene (0.4092 **g), 58.2** mg/g. Catalyst Solution B: **BINAP-OA** (24.7 mg, **27.9** pmol) in benzene **(0.6025 g),** 39.4 mg/g. Catalyst Solution **C: BINAP-OA** (25.4 mg, **28.7** pmol) in benzene **(0.8090 g),** 30.4 mg/g. Catalyst Solution **D: BINAP-OA (25.7** mg, **29.0** pmol) in benzene **(0.5150 g),** 47.5 mg/g. Catalyst Solution **E: BINAP-OA** (49.7 mg, **56.2** pmol) in benzene **(0.5020 g), 90.1g/g.** Catalyst Solution F: **BINAP-OA (48.8** mg, **55.1** pmol) in benzene **(0.2508 g), 162.9** mg/g.

Figure 2-37 Rate of reaction for different catalyst loadings

Table **2-63** Stock Solution

Table 2-64 Catalyst Solution

Table **2-65** Run Summary

Table **2-66 GC** Data

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2.4.7.5. OA1a **catalyzed coupling of morpholine with 3-bromoanisole (30 *C) and Excess Ligand (L1)**

Following General Procedure **A, a** stock solution of 3-bromoanisole (3.47 **g, 18.6** mmol), morpholine **(2.26 g, 25.9** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.50 g,** 26.Ommol) in 1,4-dioxane **(18.70 g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. Extra ligand **Li** was added to each reaction vial. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: **OA1a (197.1** mg, **260** pmol) in **CH 2C12** (1.4981 **g), 116.3** mg/g.

Figure 2-38 Effect of Added ligand L1 on rate and conversion

Table **2-68** Stock Solution

Table **2-69** Catalyst Solution

Table **2-70** Run Summary

Table **2-71** Energy Density (Note: Does not take into account incomplete conversion)

Table **2-72 GC** Data

2.4.7.6. Comparison of the reaction 3-bromo/iodo/chloroanisole with morpholine at 20 ***C**

General Procedure **A** was followed. Four stock solutions were prepared for each individual condition (Tables **2-73 - 2-76).** The vials were allowed to equilibrate before injecting catalyst solutions. The reaction was allowed to run for exactly 2 h and then analyzed **by** gas chromatography.

Table **2-73** Stock Solution for Entry **¹**

Table 2-74 Stock Solution for Entry 2

Table **2-75** Stock Solution for Entry **3**

Table **2-76** Stock Solution for Entry 4

Table **2-77** Catalyst Solution

Table **2-79 GC** Data

2.4.7.7. Displaced RuPhos (Li) from as function of OA1a

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, a stock solution of NaOtBu **(0.8163 g, 8.50** mmol), n-propylamine $(0.4980 \text{ g}, 8.4 \text{ mmol})$, 3-bromoanisole $(1.1208 \text{ g}, 5.99 \text{ mmol})$, and benzene- d_6 (6.00 g) was charged to a screw cap test tube. Separately a reference solution of RuPhos **(Li)** (14.7 mg, **31.5** pmol) and the stock solution **(0.9221 g)** was used to calibrate a sealed capillary filled with a triphenylphosphine solution (in benzene- d_6). The stock solution was added to a weighed quantity of **OA1a.** This solution after ~20 minutes this solution was transferred to an NMR tube equipped with the calibrated capillary. The tube was sealed with a polyethylene cap, the cap was wrapped with parafilm, and then removed from of the glove box and a 31 P-NMR experiment was used to quantify the amount of free ligand at -9 ppm (referenced to 85 % H₃PO₄ (aq.) at 0 ppm) relative to the PPh₃ reference integral at -5 ppm. The phosphorus NMR experiment was performed with inverse gated decoupling, a relaxation time of **60** s and a total of 64 transients for an adequate signal to noise ratio.

Figure 2-39 Yield of **Li** with respect to varying concentration of **OA1a.**

Table 2-80 Stock Solution for ³¹P-NMR Experiments

Table 2-81 Solution for Capillary Calibration

Table 2-82 Run Data (Last entry gives calibration results for capillary)

2.4.7.8. GC experiments with OA1a

In a nitrogen-filled glove box, weighed amounts of NaOtBu **(1.00 g, 10.5** mmol), 3-bromoanisole (1.40 **g,** 7.49 mmol), 1,4-dioxane **(7.52 g),** and n-propylamine **(0.62 g, 10.5** mmol) were charged to a screw cap test tube. An aliquot of this mixture **(5.92 g)** was then added to n-dodecane (0.45 **g)** to make a new stock solution. Aliquots of this stock solution were then added to varying amounts of **OAla** (Table **S85).** After **1** h, the mixtures were then analyzed **by** gas chromatography.

Figure 2-40 Consumption of 3-bromoanisole as a function of OA1a

Table **2-83** Stock Solution **A**

Table 2-84 Stock Solution B

Table **2-86** Run Summary

2.4.7.9. GC Experiments with diphenylamido complex

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In a nitrogen-filled glove box, weighed amounts of 3-bromoanisole **(0.5606 g, 3.0** mmol), benzene **(3.08 g),** n-propylamine **(0.25 g,** 4.2 mmol), and n-dodecane **(0.31 g)** were charged to a screw cap test tube. Aliquots of this stock solution were added to weighed quantities of the diphenylamido complex and mixed (Table **2-90).** These solutions were allowed to stand for **2.5** h before analysis **by** gas chromatography. Note the amount of 3-bromoanisole consumed is 0.45 equivalent relative to the amount of initial A1a. Also note that the amount of cross-coupled product is consistent with **0.37** equivalents of cross-coupled product. Such results indicate the
formation of an inactive palladium(II) dimer formation (the product of turnovers affects the rate of reaction).

Figure **2-1** Consumption of 3-bromoanisole as a function of amido complex **(Ala)**

Figure 2-41 Formation of diphenylamine (displaced from amido complex) and cross-coupled product

Table **2-87** Stock Solution

Table **2-88** Experiment Summary

Table **2-89 GC** Data

Table 2-90 Experiment Summary

2.4.8. Experiments using *OA1a and Excess Experiments

2.4.8.1. Variation of *OAla loading at 105 *C

Following General Procedure B, a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole **(3.78 g,** 20.2 mmol), morpholine (2.44 **g, 28.0** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.70 g, 28.2** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20.00 **g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. **A** second stock solution of 3-bromoanisole (3.74 **g,** 20.0 mmol), morpholine (2.46 **g, 28.3** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.68 g, 28.0** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20.00 **g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution A: $OATA$ (26.6 mg, 35.1 μ mol) in the amine stock solution (0.514 g), 49.22 mg/g. Catalyst Solution B: **OAla (31.7** mg, 41.8 pmol) in the amine stock solution **(0.501 g), 59.5** mg/g. Catalyst Solution **C: OAla (16.2** mg, 21.4 pmol) in the amine stock solution **(0.527 g), 29.8** mg/g. Catalyst Solution **E:** OA1a (12.4 mg, 16.4 pmol) in the amine stock solution **(0.510 g), 23.8** mg/g. Catalyst Solution F: OA1a **(9.6** mg, **12.7** pmol) in the amine stock solution **(0.5100 g), 18.5** mg/g.

Figure 2-42 Rate of Reaction for varying amount of ***OA1a**

Table 2-91 Stock Solution

Table 2-92 Catalyst Solution

Table **2-93** Run Summary

Table 2-94 **GC** Data

Table **2-95** Energy Density

Table **2-96** Stock Solution

Table **2-97** Catalyst Solution

Table **2-98** Run Summary

Table **2-99** Energy Density

2.4.8.2. Variation of Morpholine Concentration at 75 *C

Following General Procedure B, solutions for each reaction vial (Tables 2-100 to **2-103)** were made with morpholine, 3-bromoanisole (or 3-chloroanisole), NaOtBu, and 1,4-dioxane. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: **OAla (101** mg, **133** pmol) in the amine stock solution **(1.17 g), 79.6** mg/g.

Figure 2-43 Rate of reaction with different equivalents of morpholine

Table **2-100** Stock Solution for Channel B1

Table 2-101 Stock Solution for Channel B2

Table 2-102 Stock Solution for Channel B3

Table **2-103** Stock Solution for Channel B4

Table 2-104 Catalyst Solution

Table **2-105** Run Summary

Table **2-106 GC** Data

Table **2-107** Energy Density (Note: Takes into account limiting reagent for Channel B1)

2.4.8.3. Variation of ArX concentration at 75 *C

Following General Procedure B, solutions for each reaction vial (Tables **2-108** to **2-111)** were made from morpholine, 3-bromoanisole (or 3-chloroanisole), NaOtBu, and 1,4-dioxane. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: OA1a **(106** mg, **35.1** pmol) in the amine stock solution **(1.06 g), 90.7** mg/g.

Figure 2-44 Reaction rate for different aryl halide concentration and types

Table **2-108** Stock Solution for Channel B1

Table **2-109** Stock Solution for Channel B2

Table **2-110** Stock Solution for Channel B3

Table **2-111** Stock Solution for Channel B4

Table 2-112 Stock Solution for Catalyst

Table **2-113** Run Summary

Table 2-114 **GC** Data

Table **2-115** Energy Density

2.4.8.4. *OA1a catalyzed coupling of 3-lodoanisole and n-propylamine at 75 *c

Following General Procedure B, a stock solution of 3-iodoanisole (4.09 **g, 17.6** mmol), morpholine **(2.15 g,** 24.7 mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.37 g,** 24.7 mmol) in toluene (14.12 **g)** was partitioned into 4 separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution **A:** OA1a **(53.6** mg, **70.7** pmol) in the amine stock solution (0.5512 g) with L1 (56.3 mg, 121 μ mol), 81.1 mg/g. Catalyst Solution B: **OAla (48.8** mg, 64.4 pmol) in the amine stock solution (0.564 **g), 79.7** mg/g. Catalyst Solution C: **OA1a** (49.3 mg, 65.0 μ mol) in the amine stock solution (0.543 g), 83.3 mg/g. Catalyst Solution D: **OA1a** (27.4 mg, 36.1 μ mol) in the amine stock solution (0.551 g), 47.4 **mg/g.**

Figure 2-45 Cross-Coupling of 3-iodoanisole with morpholine mediated **by** *OA1a

Table **2-116** Stock Solution

Table **2-117** Catalyst Stock Solution

Table **2-118** Run Summary

Table **2-119 GC** Data

Table 2-120 Energy Density

2.4.8.5. Variation of NaOtBu concentration at 75 *C

Following General Procedure B, solutions for each reaction vial (Tables 2-120 **- 2-121)** were made with morpholine, 3-bromoanisole, NaOtBu, and 1,4-dioxane. After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: **QA1a** (102.4 mg, **135** pmol) in the amine stock solution (1.0611 g), 88.0 mg/g. Catalyst Solution: **OA1a** (53.4 mg, 70.4 μ mol) in the amine stock solution **(0.5570 g), 87.5** mg/g. *Note:* Oscillations in graph (red line) are an artifact of poor tuning (of the temperature controller **+/- 0.1** *'C)* for the circulating bath.

Figure 2-46 Rate of reaction at different concentrations of NaOtBu

Table 2-121 Stock Solution for **A2**

Table 2-122 Stock Solution for **A3**

Table **2-123** Stock Solution for *OA1a

Table 2-124 Run Summary

Table **2-125** Energy Density

Table **2-126 GC** Data

2.4.8.6. Variation of excess RuPhos (Li) concentration at 75 *C

Following General Procedure B, a stock solution of 3-bromoanisole (3.74 **g,** 20.0 mmol), morpholine (2.43 **g, 27.9** mmol) and NaOtBu **(2.69 g, 28.0** mmol) in 1,4-dioxane (20.0 **g)** was partitioned into separate reaction vials and loaded into the calorimeter. Extra ligand L1 was added to the various reaction vials (Table **2-128).** After equilibration, the catalyst solutions were introduced via syringe. Catalyst Solution: $O\text{A1a}$ (92.5 mg, 122 μ mol) in the amine stock solution **(1.07 g),** 79.4 mg/g.

Figure 2-47 Effect of added ligand for a reaction initiated using *OA1a

Table **2-127** Stock Solution for Calorimetry Run

Table **2-128** Stock Catalyst Solution

Table **2-129** Run Summary Data

Table **2-130** Run Summary Data for Reciprocal Plot

Table **2-131** Energy Density

Figure 2-48 Coupling of n-propyl amine with 3-bromoanisole mediated **by** OA1a catalyst

Table 2-134 Stock Solution for Channels B1' and B4

Table **2-135** Catalyst Solutions

Table **2-136** Run Summary

Table **2-137** Energy Density

2.4.8.8. Coupling of aniline with bromobenzene

Figure 2-49 Coupling of aniline with bromobenzene mediated by OA1a. Note the tiny catalyst range- 0.154 to **0.145** mol **%.**

Table **2-138** Stock Solution

Table **2-139** Catalyst Solution

Table 2-140 Run Summary

Table 2-141 Energy

Figure **2-50** Rate of reaction for coupling of n-propyl amine and bromobenzene **by OA1 b**

Table 2-142 Stock Solution

Table 2-143 Catalyst Solution

Table 2-144 Run Summary

Table 2-145 **GC** Data (Note: dodecane [mg] is calculated from table 3-143)

Table 2-146 Energy Density

2.4.8.9. Coupling of n-propylamine with chlorobenzene

Figure **2-51** Cross-coupling reaction of chlorobenzene and n-propylamine mediated **by** a RuPhos based catalyst **(OA1b)**

Table 2-147 Stock Solution

Table 2-148 Catalyst Solution

Table 2-149 Run Summary

Table **2-150 GC** Summary

Table **2-151** Energy Data

2.4.9. Synthesis of Pd(O) and amino bound Pd(I) Complexes

In a nitrogen filled glove box, tmedaPd(CH₃)₂ (388.9 mg, 1.54 mmol), RuPhos L1 (1.4395 g, **3.09** mmol) and benzene **(6** mL) was added to a screw cap test tube. **A** teflown stir bar was charged to the test tube and the tube closed with a Teflon/silicon septum and cap. The tube was taken out of the glove box and heated in an oil bath at 55 °C for 2 h. The solution was taken back into the glove box and filtered through celite. After which the solvent was removed under vacuum to give a dry foam. **A** minimum of pentane **(~ 7** mL) was added after which the solid went into solution. Over the course of one hour a precipitant formed. The pentane was decanted and the product washed with pentane **(7** mL) and dried under vacuum. Product was a yellow solid (447.5 mg, **28 %** yield, 0.43 mmol). Proton spectra not assigned- see plot. **1 3C NMR (126** MHz, Toluene-d) **6 157.46** (br), 155.94 (br), **107.53** (br), 104.57 (br), 71.40. 68.42, **58.26,** 49.63 (br), 45.19 **, 38.74** (br), **35.54** (br), 32.84 (br), **32.19** (br), **31.73** (br), **30.60** (br), 27.49 (br), **26.93** (br), **22.32 , 22.19 ,** 21.84 **, 21.56. 31P** NMR (202 MHz, Toluene-d) **6** 44.10 (s), **-9** (s), **70 - 10** (br).

General Procedure for (o-tolyl)₃PPd(Ar)X

In a nitrogen-filled box, a round bottom flask (100 mL) was charged with Pd(dba)₂ (1.00 g) and $P(o$ -tolyl)₃ (1.11 g). A teflon stir bar was added and then an excess of aryl halide $(\sim 4 \text{ mL})$ was added followed **by** the benzene solvent **(60** mL). The reaction was allowed to stir for **1** hour after which the mixture was removed from the glove box and filtered through celite to remove any insolubles material. The benzene solvent was then removed with the aid of a rotary evaporator and replaced with diethyl ether **(60** mL). The ether solution was allowed to site overnight during which the intermediate would precipitate. Note: Precipitation of the product is quite sluggish. Sonication can be used to induce nucleation. The resultant product was isolated **by** filtration and then dissolved in n-propyl amine **(5** mL). This solution was allowed to stir for an additional day after which pentane (20 mL) was added to precipitate the product as a white powder. Note: Precipitation of product is again quite sluggish. Scratching the side of the flask can induce precipitation. Precipitation was allowed to occur overnight. The product was washed twice more with pentane (2 x 20 mL) and the yield recorded.

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\n $P(0-toly)_3$ \n
\n C_6H_6 , rt, 1 h\n

\n\n $Pd(dba)_2$ \n
\n C_6H_6 , rt, 1 h\n

\n\n H_3C \n
\n H_2N \n
\n H_3C \n

Following the general procedure, the reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (1.00 grams, 1.74 mmol) and P(otolyl) ³**(1.11 g, 3.65** mmol) with bromobenzene (4 mL) afforded the intermediate **(781** mg). Without further characterization, the intermediate was carried forward **by** reaction with n-propyl amine **(5** mL). Precipitation into pentane yields the product (406 mg, **0.92** mmol, **53 %)** as a white solid. **'H NMR (500** MHz, Toluene-d) **6 7.35 - 7.21** (m, **3H), 7.09** (s, **1** H), **7.03 (q, J = 7.0** Hz, 2H), **6.95 (dd, J=** 14.1, **6.8** Hz, 2H), 4.49 (s, 1H), **3.69** (s, 2H), **3.03 - 2.80** (m, 2H), **2.39** (s, 3H), 2.19 **-** 2.11 (m, 2H), **1.50 -** 1.43 (m, 3H), **1.23** (s, 4H), **0.95** (s, 1H), **0.79** (s, 1H), **0.63** (s, **3H), 0.57** (s, **3H). 1 3C NMR (126** MHz, Toluene-d) **6 153.25, 152.65, 135.33,** 124.55, 46.93, 44.85, **27.63, 27.21, 25.96, 25.65, 12.83, 11.90, 11.67,** 11.42.

Following the general procedure, the reaction of Pd(dba)₂ (1.00 grams, 1.74 mmol) and P(otolyl) ³**(1.11 g, 3.65** mmol) with 3-bromoanisole (4 mL) afforded the intermediate **(762** mg). Without further characterization, the intermediate was carried forward **by** reaction with n-propyl amine **(5** mL). Precipitation into pentane yields the product (341 mg, **0.73** mmol, 42 **%)** as a white solid. **¹ H-NMR (500** MHz, Toluene-d) **6 7.22 - 7.02** (m, **1** H), 7.04 **- 6.89** (m, **5H), 6.51 (d, J = 6.7** Hz, **1** H), 4.62 **-** 4.37 (m, **1** H), **3.78 - 3.63** (m, 4H), **3.50** (s, 4H), **3.09 - 2.72** (m, 2H), 2.47 (s, **9H), 2.26 -** 2.11 (m, 1H), **2.07** (s, 1H), 1.74 **-** 1.42 (m, 4H), 1.40 **- 1.18** (m, **7H), 1.07 - 0.73** (m, **5H), 0.73 - 0.37** (m, **13H). 13C-NMR (126** MHz, Toluene-d) **6 158.96 ,** 154.52 (br), 154.20 (br), 127.46 (br), 121.14 (br), 109.54 **, 55.06** (br), **47.82** (br) **,** 46.94 (br), 44.89 (br) **, 27.72** (br), **27.20** (br), **26.00** (br), **25.69** (br) **, 12.82** (br) **, 11.90** (br), **11.70** (br), 11.44 (br). Elemental: Calculated, C(40.82) **H(7.28),** Found: C(40.81) H(7.14):

In a nitrogen filled glove box, 'BuBrettPhos **(110.9** mg, **0.23** mmol) was charged to a screw cap test tube followed **by** 3-bromoanisole **(100** mg, **0.53** mmol) and the codPd(CH 2TMS) ²**(88.9** mg, **0.23** mmol). To this mixture was added cyclohexane (~ 3 mL) and a Teflon stir bar. The test tube was sealed with a cap fitted with a Teflon septum and the reaction was allowed to stir overnight at room temperature. The reaction was then taken out of the glove box and pentane **(10** mL) was added to the mixture. The pentane was decanted and the product was further washed with pentane (2 x **10** mL). The product was dried under vacuum to yield a yellow powder **(106.0** mg, **59 %).** *Note:* In solution the compound is known to undergo rearrangement. **'H NMR (500** MHz, **CD2C ²) 6** 8.40 **- 8.29** (m), **7.74** (s), 7.04 **(s), 6.93 (dd, J = 8.9, 2.3** Hz), **6.87 (d, J = 8.9** Hz), **6.70 - 6.67 (m), 6.67 - 6.63 (m), 6.30 - 6.23 (m), 5.82 (d, J =** 21.2 Hz), **3.93 (s), 3.79** (s), **3.66** (s,), **3.33 (s), 3.13 - 2.96** (m), **2.67 - 2.53** (m), **1.58 (d, J = 6.8** Hz), **1.55** (s), **1.51 (dd, J** *=* **15.7,** 4.0 Hz), **1.37 (dd, J= 17.1, 10.8** Hz), **0.82 (d, J= 6.6** Hz). **"C{'H) NMR (126** MHz, **CD ²C 2) 6 161.16** , **157.17 - 156.91** (multiple overlapping peaks), 154.7 **-** 154.15 (multiple overlapping peaks), **152.56** 152.44 **,** 142.38 **-** 140.69 (multiple overlapping peaks), **138.63 , 135.95 ,** 133.40 **, 129.91** , **129.23** 128.24 **, 128.10 (d, J = 1.5** Hz), **126.36 - 126.20** (br), **125.36 , 125.33 -** 124.5 (br), **118.95** , **117.83 117.80 116.51 , 115.29 ,** 114.56 **,** 114.3 **-** 114.2 (multiple overlapping peaks) **,** 114.05 **- 113.79** (br), **111.90 , 111.35 - 110.7** (multiple overlapping peaks), **108.12** (br) **, 99.17 , 57.54 , 55.87 , 55.53 ,** 55.40 **55.37 , 55.00 , 54.79 , 54.56 ,** 54.42 , 41.73, 41.63 **,** 40.47 **,** 40.37 **, 35.09 , 31.91 , 31.10 , 31.05 , 30.87, 30.82 ,** 26.14, **25.08 ,** 24.94, **23.22 , 23.18, 23.12, 22.7-22.5** (multiple overlapping peaks), **21.72, 21.67** , **20.60 ,** 20.43 **, 20.38 - 20.25** (multiple overlapping peaks)."P{ H) NMR (202 MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 82.17, 80.59 , 72.85 - 69.35** (br), **63.31 . ATR-IR** (cm1): **2950, 2890, 2860, 2820, 1610, 1570, 1560,** 1450, 1420, **1260, 1230, 1030, 1010, 815, 765, 695. Elemental:** Calculated for C38H 56BrO3PPd **C(58.65) H(7.25)** Found: **C(58.36) H(7.26)**

To a 20 mL scintillation vial was added (o-tolyl) 3PPd(Ph)Br (364 mg, 0.64mmol) and **S-BINAP** (404 mg, **0.65** mmol), and dichloromethane **(~10** mL). The mixture was allowed to stir for 2 h and then the solvent was removed with the aid of a rotary evaporator. The residue was washed with pentane **(3** x 20 mL) and dried under high vacuum. The product was a tan solid (540.6 mg, **95 %** yield). 'H **NMR (500** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 7.97** (m, 1H), **7.78** (m, **3H),** 7.64 **- 7.3** (m, 14H), 7.24 **- 7.17** (m, **1** H), **7.16 - 7.11** (m, 1H), **7.10 - 6.86** (m, **8H), 6.81 - 6.75** (m, 2H), **6.73 - 6.67** (m, **3H), 6.59 -** 6.45 (m, 2H). **1 1C{ ¹ H} NMR (126 MHz, CD ²C 2) 6 158.06, 158.03, 157.08,** 157.04, **139.85, 139.82, 139.75, 139.72,** 137.42, 137.40, **137.33, 137.28,** 137.24, **136.36, 136.25, 135.92, 135.83,** 134.61, 134.54, 134.28, 134.27, 134.16, 134.04, **133.93, 133.88, 133.66, 133.60,** 132.94, **132.86,** 132.54, 132.47, **132.13, 132.10, 131.98, 131.89, 131.70, 131.68, 131.61, 131.58, 131.56,** 131.24, **131.22, 130.57, 130.56, 130.12, 130.10, 129.89, 129.87, 129.76,** 129.74, **129.26, 129.21, 129.06, 128.98, 128.79, 128.74, 128.66, 128.58,** 128.49, 128.41, **128.38, 128.05, 128.02, 127.96,** 127.94, **127.91, 127.90, 127.65, 127.56,** 127.41, **127.38, 127.29, 127.22, 126.83, 126.38, 126.08, 123.30** (Observed complexity due to **C-P** splitting). **31P{H) NMR (202** MHz, **CD 2CI 2) 6 28.29 (d, J = 39.2** Hz), **11.87 (d, J= 39.2** Hz). ATR-IR **3050, 1560, 1500,** 1480, 1460, 1430, **1300, 1090,** 1020, **995, 811, 725, 691.** Elemental: Calculated for C5oH 37BrP2Pd **C(67.77)** H(4.21) Found: **C(67.48)** H(4.34)

In a nitrogen filled glove box, a round bottom flask **(100** mL) was charged with iodoanisole (2.43 **g,** 10.4 mmol), P(o -tolyl)₃ (1.33 g, 4.4 mmol), Pd₂dba₃ (1.04 g, 1.14 mmol) and benzene (~60 mL). The mixture was stirred with a teflon stir bar for **1** h and then filtered through a pad of Celite. The filtrate was taken out of the glove box and the solvent was removed with the aid of a rotary evaporator. To the residue was added diethyl ether **(~60** mL) and the mixture was allowed to stand overnight. The resultant orange product (0.864 **g, 1.30** mmol) was collected **by** filtration **(59 %** Yield). The material was used to synthesize the DalPhos-OA complex. No characterization was carried out.

^Ascrew cap test tube was charged with (o-tolyl)3PPd(Ar)l **(231** mg, **0.36** mmol), DalPhos ligand **(151** mg, **0.36** mmol), and dichloromethane **(~ 5** mL). This mixture was then stirred for **7.5** h after which the solvent was removed with the aid a rotary evaporator. The residue was washed with diethyl ether (2 x **10** mL) and dried under high vacuum. Product was a slightly pink-tan solid **(215** mg, **0.28** mmol, **80 %** yield). 'H NMR **(500** MHz, **CDC13) 6 7.88 - 7.78** (m, 1H), **7.70 -** 7.64 (m, 1H), **7.62 - 7.56** (m, 1H), 7.42 **- 7.31** (m, 1H), **7.13 (d, J = 7.8** Hz, **1** H), **7.11 - 7.07** (m, **1** H), 6.84 (t, **J = 7.8** Hz, **1** H), **6.39 - 6.31** (m, **1** H), 3.74 (s, 2H), **3.39** (s, **3H), 2.62 -** 1.24 (m, **26H).** 1C{'H} NMR **(126** MHz, **CDC1 3) 6** 164.50 **, 160.80 , 160.69 ,136.18 136.17 , 133.84 , 133.83 , 132.51 , 132.50,** 126.54, 126.14 **, 126.11 , 125.30, 125.29 ,** 123.94, **123.87** 108.41 **, 55.23 ,** 54.93 **,** 54.69 **,** 43.95 **, 43.87 , 43.66 , 43.57 ,** 40.79 **, 40.78 ,** 40.52 **,** 40.50 **,** 36.41 **(d, J= 1.1** Hz), **36.35 (d, J=** 1.2 Hz), **28.78 , 28.71.** 31P'H) NMR (202 MHz, **CDC13) 6 50.66.** ATR-IR (cm~ 1): **2900,** 2840, **1560,** 1460, 1340, **1230, 1030, 971, 766,** 741, **695.** Elemental: Calculated for C35H ⁴⁷1NOPPd **C(55.16) H(6.22)** Found: **C(54.98) H(6.23)**

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15) For the reaction employing **P6** (at 20 ***C;** Scheme 2), we observed a characteristic fast initial rate as seen in the previous reaction examples. This reaction was repeated with **OA6** catalyst **(1** mol **%)** and monitored **by** 31P-NMR. Under these conditions, we estimate time for the completion of the reaction to be less than two hours. Free ligand **L6** was observed **by** 31P-NMR. Due to the continuous formation of precipitating NaBr, quantification of the NMR signal was impractical.

16) By substituting 2-bromotoluene for 3-bromoanisole for the coupling of n-propylamine, the reaction proceeded to give several turnovers **(~3)** before halting. Observation **by** 31P-NMR indicates the formation of free ligand. Thus there is some indication that tert butyl substituents may for some reactions provide enough stability that the reaction will go to completion quickly but a change of substrates will displace the supporting ligand from the palladium center. We did not focus our studies on this class of ligands, since they are known to undergo rearrangement,

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25) Experiments were carried out in which the initial concentration of NaOtBu was varied. We did not find any kinetic dependence upon the base at **75 0C** and 0.4 mol **% *OA1.**

(26) We have limited our proposed mechanism to include only two types of palladium(0) and have labeled them as Complex **I** and Complex **1'.** There are other palladium(0) complexes which may be kinetically relevant. These potential species are listed in the Scheme **2-8**

(27) We found that the substitution of the aryl halide (3-chloro/bromo/iodoanisole) at 20 **0C (1.0** mol **% OA1)** did not afford significantly different yields (20 to **30%)** or conversions. We also performed several experiments with excess Li at **30 *C (0.8** mol **% OA1),** and observed no significant differences in yield (~45 %), which suggests that association of L1 with "off-cycle" palladium is not appreciable at lower temperatures.

(28) Similar behavior was seen for the cross-coupling of 4-bromoanisole vs. 4-chloroanisole with morpholine using an XPhos-based **(L2)** catalytic system: Barjian, **S.;** Tom, **D.** M. **E.;** Baird, M. **C.** Organometallics **2014, 33, 3928. A** second system based on a modified biaryl phosphine ligand for the coupling acyclic amides also showed a similar behavior where the reaction rate of the catalytic system was shown to be ArCl **>** ArBr **>>** Arl. See Hicks, **J. D.;** Hyde, **A.** M.; Cuezva, **A.** M.; Buchwald, **S. J.** Am. Chem. Soc. **2009, 131,16720.**

(29) Chloride ions have been shown to also have an effect on palladium catalysis: (a) Amatore, **C.;** Jutand, **A.;** Acc. Chem. Res. **2000, 33,** 314. **(b)** Kozuch, **S.;** Amatore, **C.;** Jutand, **A.;** Shaik, **S.** Organometallics **2005,** 24, **2319.** (c) Amatore, **C.;** Jutand, **A.;** Suarez, **A. J.** Am. Chem. Soc. **1993, 115, 9531. (d)** Amatore, **C.;** Azzabi, M.; Jutand, **A. J.** Am. Chem. Soc. **1991, 113, 8375.** (e) Jutand, **A. App.** Organometal. Chem. **2004, 18, 574.**

(30) The substitution of 3-iodoanisole (in toluene) for 3-bromoanisole gave comparable rates to 3-bromoanisole at **75 *C** for a *OA1 -based catalyst. For the role of solvent in coupling of aryl iodides see, Fors, B. P.; Davis, **N.** R.; Buchwald, **S.** L. **J.** Am. Chem. Soc. **2009, 131, 5766. 31)** We should also point out that aryl chlorides also exhibit the behavior seen for aryl bromides. **By** diminishing the catalyst loading for an aryl chloride, we can recover the plateau behavior seen for aryl bromides (Figure **2-51).**

32) At ambient temperatures additional L1 did not have an effect on reaction rates.

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33) This parameter affects only the initial rate of reaction for the case where the "on-cycle" initial value condition is used. With increasing value the initial simulated reaction rate becomes greater but so does the speed towards the plateau region increase as well.