

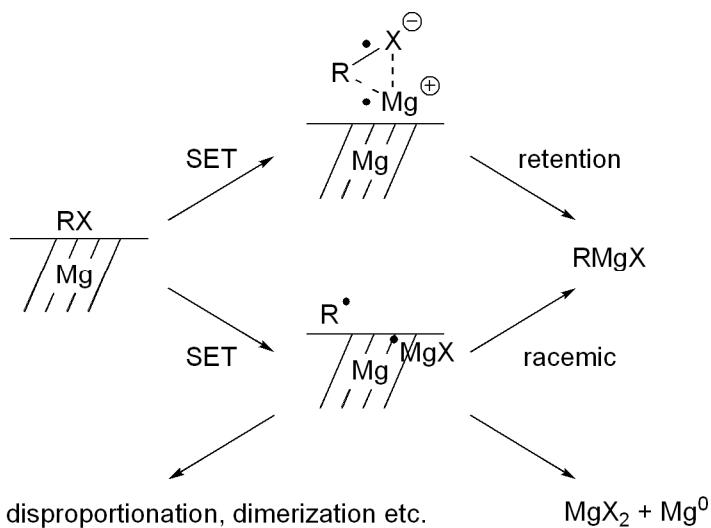
Metallation

1. Oxidative Addition

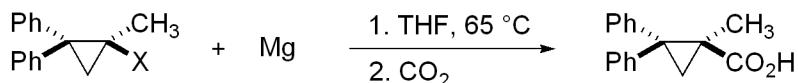
1.1. Grignard Reagents



Proposed Mechanism for Grignard Formation:

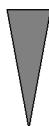


reaction occurs with partial retention, depending on halogen



Bond energy and reduction potential of C-X bond

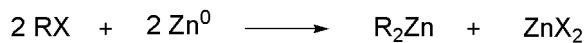
R	yield [%]	ee [%]
Cl	81	27
Br	70	19
I	40	2



the weaker the bond, the greater the amount of loose radical pairs

Acc. Chem. Res. 1990, 23, 286.

1.2. Organozinc Reagents

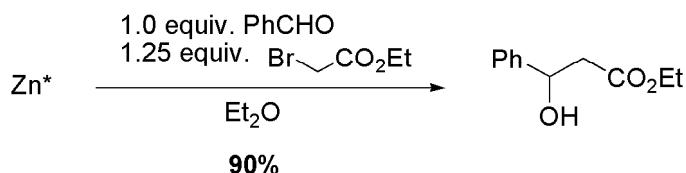


activation of Zn^0 -dust necessary:

1. dilute HCl, TMSCl or TMSCl/dibromoethane
2. Rieke-zinc:



Examples:

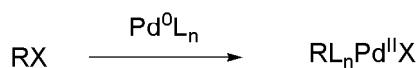


Organometallics **1986**, 5, 1257.



Krause, N. (Ed.) *Modern Organocopper Chemistry* **2002**, p. 56.

1.3. Organopalladium

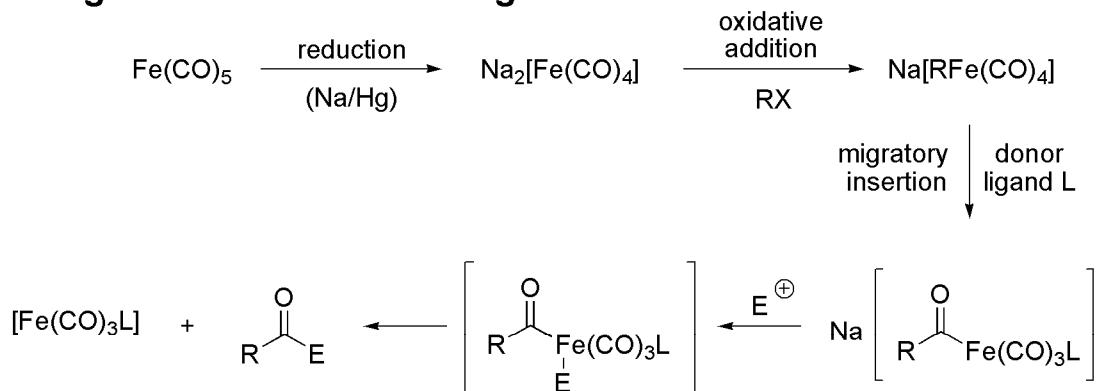


reactivity: I >> OTf > Br >>> Cl

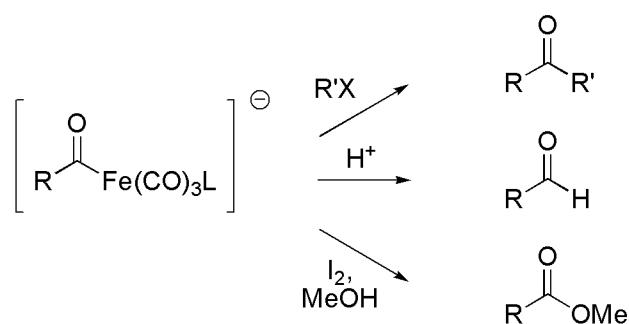
electron-deficient halides > electron-rich halides

problem: β -H-elimination; traditionally only aryl or alkenyl substrates

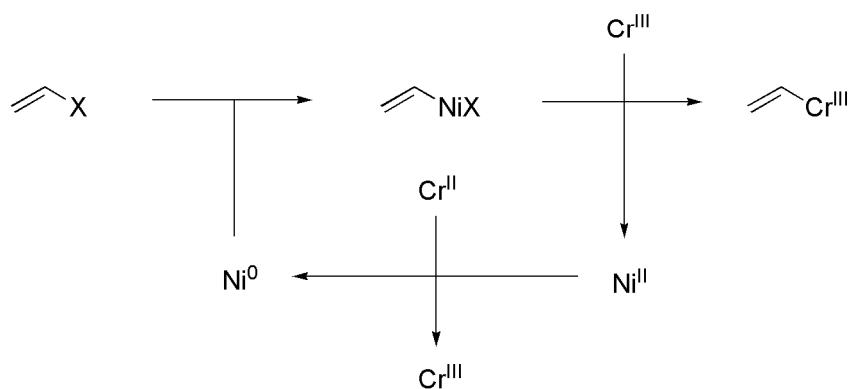
1.4. Organoiron: Collman-Reagent



Reactions:



1.5. Organochromium: Nozaki-Hiyama-Kishi Reaction



2. Transmetallation

Transmetallation always proceeds in the direction of placing the more electropositive metal on the more electronegative (acidic) carbon!

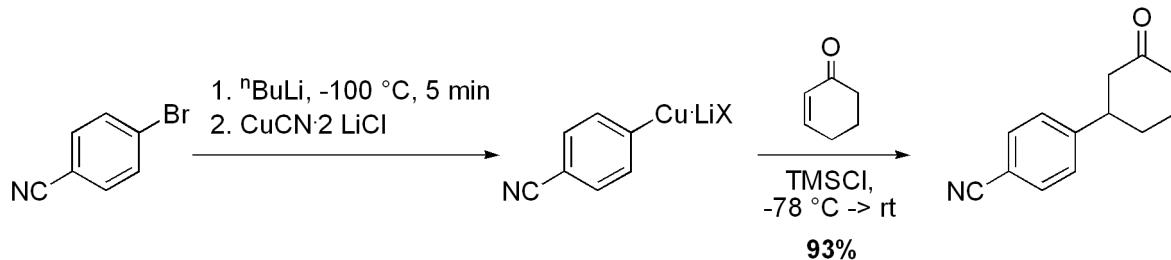
2.1. Cuprates



All organometallics in which the metal M is less electronegative than Cu, and all organometallic species of similar electronegativity but with weaker carbon-metal bonds, are potential candidates for transmetallation reactions.

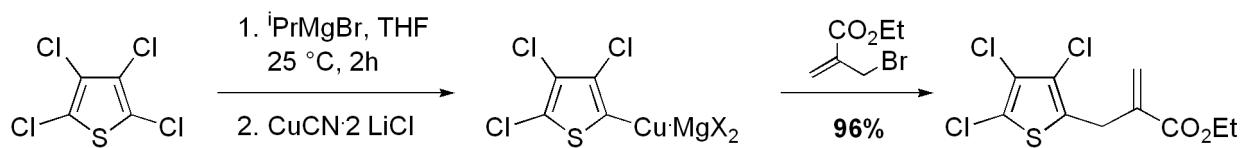
from organolithium reagents:

mainly alkenyl- and aryllithiums; not all functional groups tolerated (low temperature in certain cases)



from organomagnesium compounds:

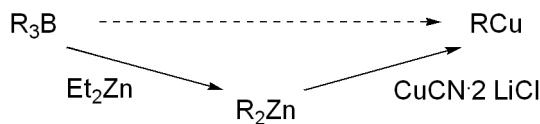
they are less reactive, therefore more functional groups tolerated, especially for magnesium-halogen exchange



from organoboranes:

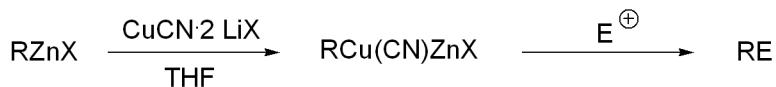
they have similar bond energies and electronegativities as cuprates;
therefore limited to the formation of alkenyl- and unfunctionalized alkyl-copper compounds

sometimes better:



from organozinc compounds:

reagents undergo smooth transmetallations to a broad range of other metals and tolerate many functional groups as a consequence of their low-lying empty p-orbitals



exceptions: epoxides and alkyl halides do not react with RCu(CN)ZnX

two classes of reagents: RZnX and R₂Zn; reactivity of diorganozincs is slightly higher



can be affected by the choice of solvent, e.g. dioxane:
precipitation of ZnX₂·dioxane

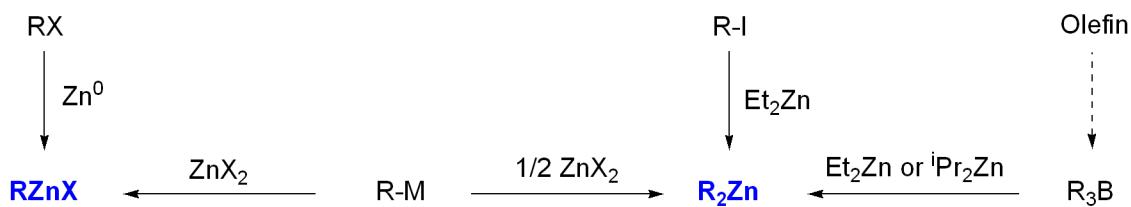
2.2. Organopalladium

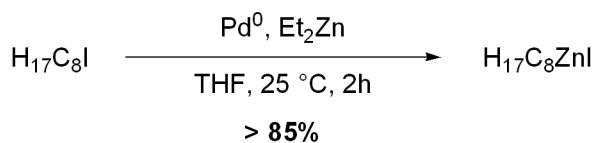
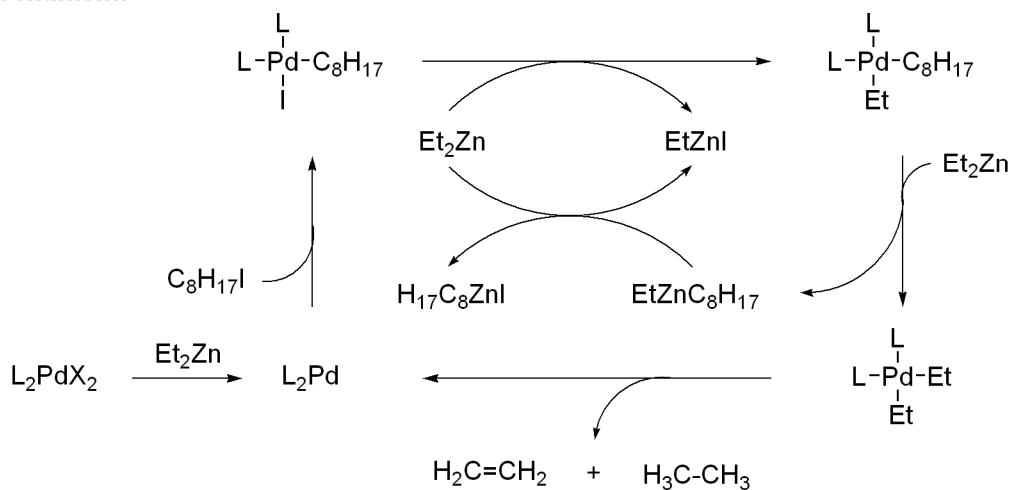
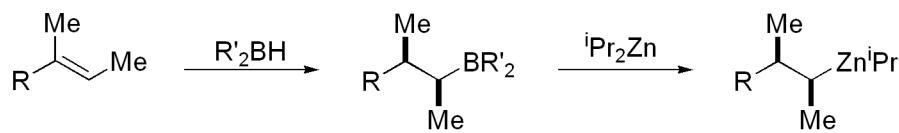
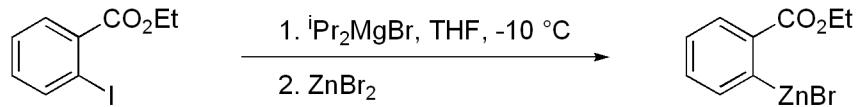
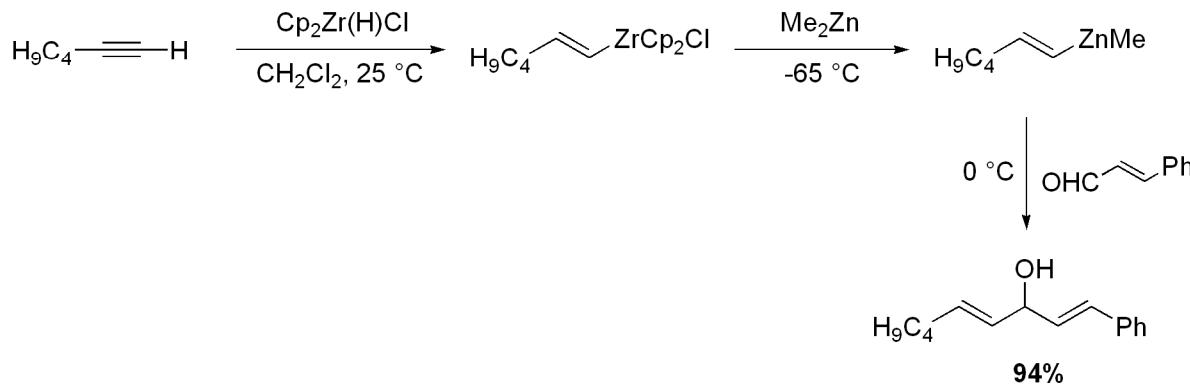
1. transmetallations from Li, Mg, Zn, Zr, B, Al, Sn, Si, Ge, Hg, Tl, Cu, Ni have been reported
2. transmetallation occurs with retention of configuration
3. most important:

Sn	(Stille coupling)
B	(Suzuki coupling)
Zn	(Negishi coupling)
Mg	(Kumada)
Cu	(Sonogashira)

2.3. Organozinc

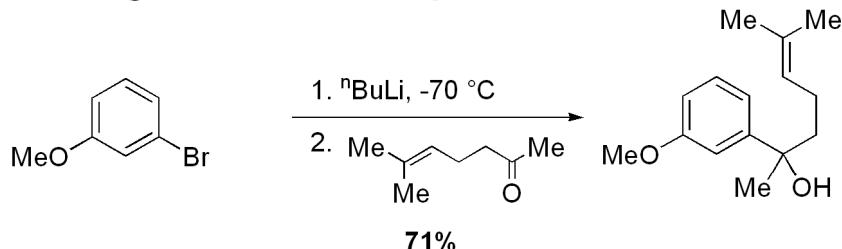
Preparation of organozinc reagents:



**mechanism:****boron-zinc exchange occurs with retention of configuration:****from Grignard reagents:****from organozirconium reagents:**

3. Metal-Halogen-Exchange

3.1. Organolithium Compounds



J. Org. Chem. **1982**, *47*, 331.

In general:



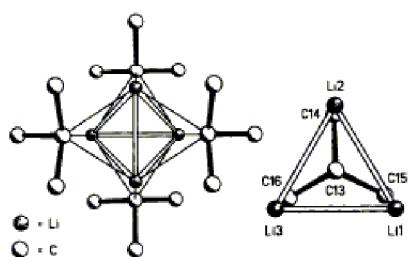
reactivity: $t\text{BuLi} > s\text{BuLi} > n\text{BuLi}$

Note: 2 equiv of reagent are required

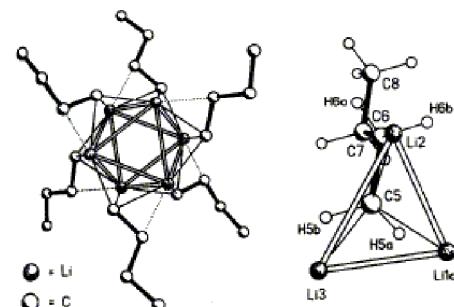


n-BuLi to *n*-BuBr: slower elimination, but such products may still compete with desired electrophile for reaction with the generated organolithium reagent.

organolithium compounds form aggregates:



crystal structure of $t\text{BuLi}$ - tetramer



crystal structure of $n\text{BuLi}$ - hexamer

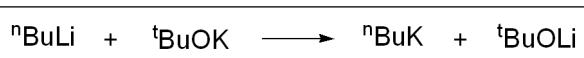
Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl. **1993**, *32*, 580.

in solution:

RLi	solvent	association
MeLi	hydrocarbons THF, Et_2O TMEDA	hexamer tetramer monomer
$n\text{BuLi}$	cyclohexane Et_2O	hexamer tetramer
$t\text{BuLi}$	hydrocarbons	tetramer

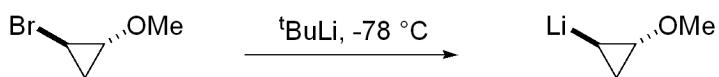
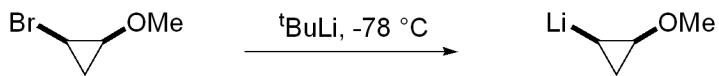
Organometallchemie,
Teubner
Studienbücher,
Stuttgart, **1993**, p.33.

Schlosser's base: extremely strong base



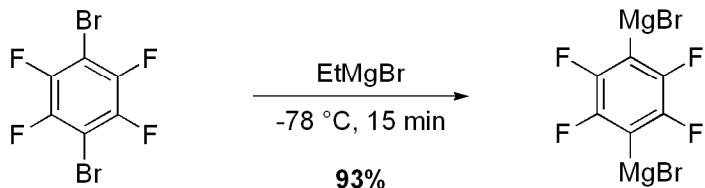
Tetrahedron Lett. **1991**, *32*, 1483.

lithium-halogen exchange occurs under retention of configuration:



Tetrahedron Lett. **1975**, *16*, 3685.

3.2. Organomagnesium Compounds



exchange rate enhanced by the presence of electronegative substituents

Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2003**, *42*, 4302.

reactivity: ArI > ArBr > ArCl > ArF

Schlenk-equilibrium: $MgX_2 + R_2Mg \xrightleftharpoons{K} 2 RMgX$

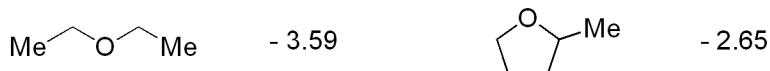
can be affect by the choice of solvent:

$K = 480$ (Et₂O)
 $K = 4$ (THF)

for dioxane, the equilibrium is completely on the left side due to precipitation of MgX₂

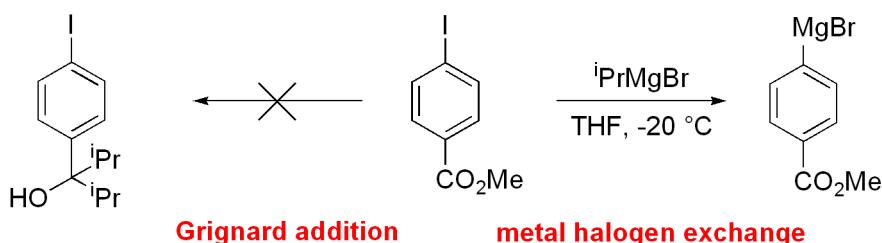
Tetrahedron **1967**, *23*, 4215.

pK_a values in H₂O:



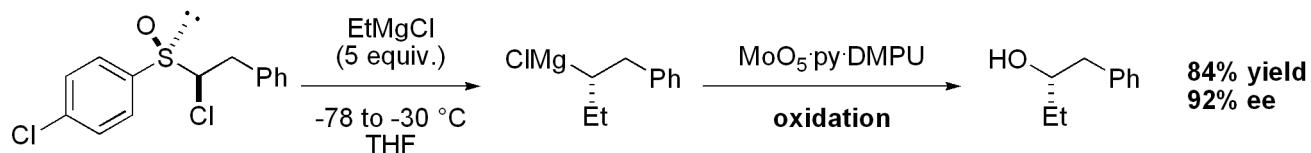
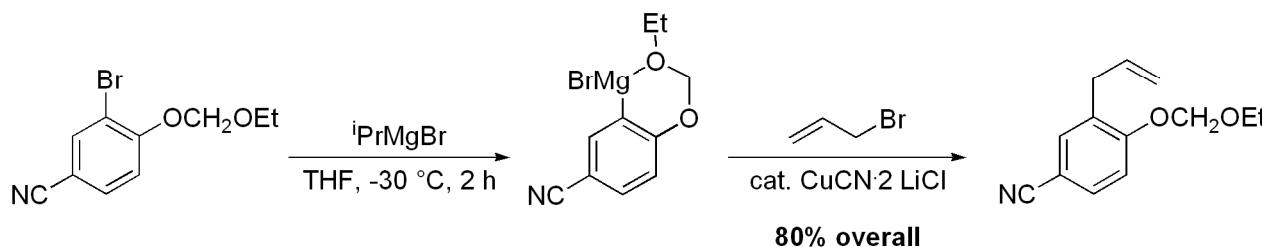
J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1962**, *84*, 1684.

Nitriles, esters, imines, and amids are tolerated (low temperature!):



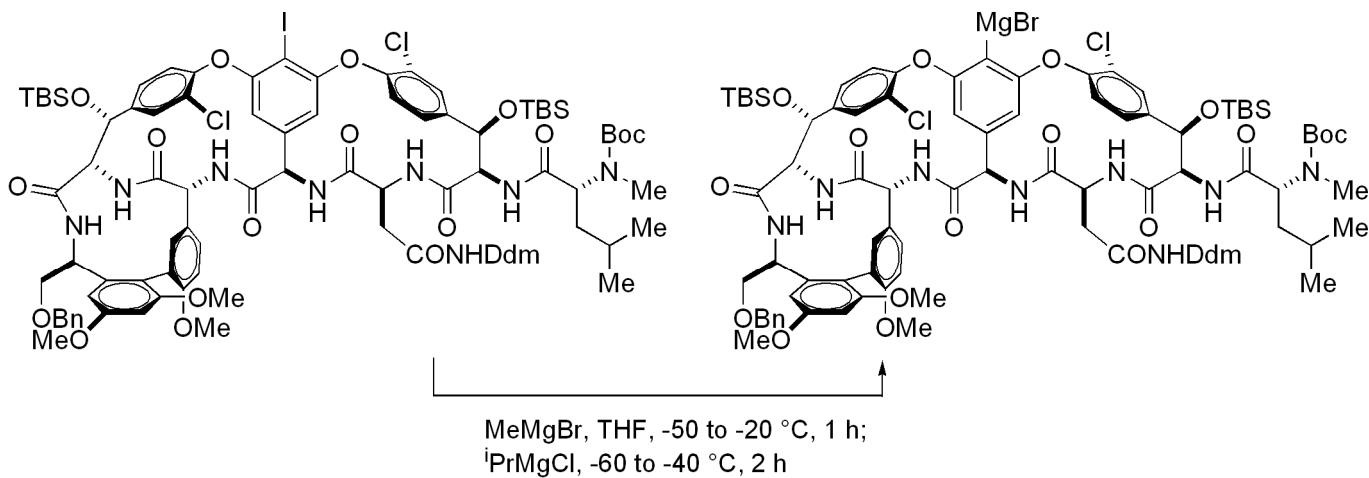
but: aldehyde-containing aryl iodides undergo preferentially Grignard addition

chelating groups in *ortho*-position facilitate exchange:



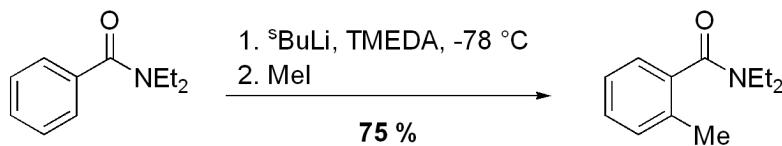
Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2000**, *39*, 3072.

from Nicolaou's synthesis of Vancomycin:

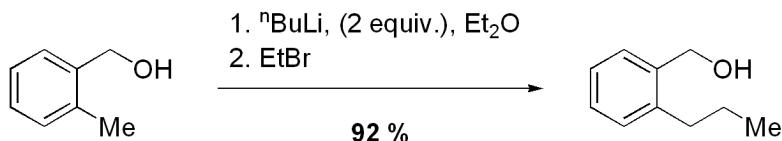


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4. Directed Metallation

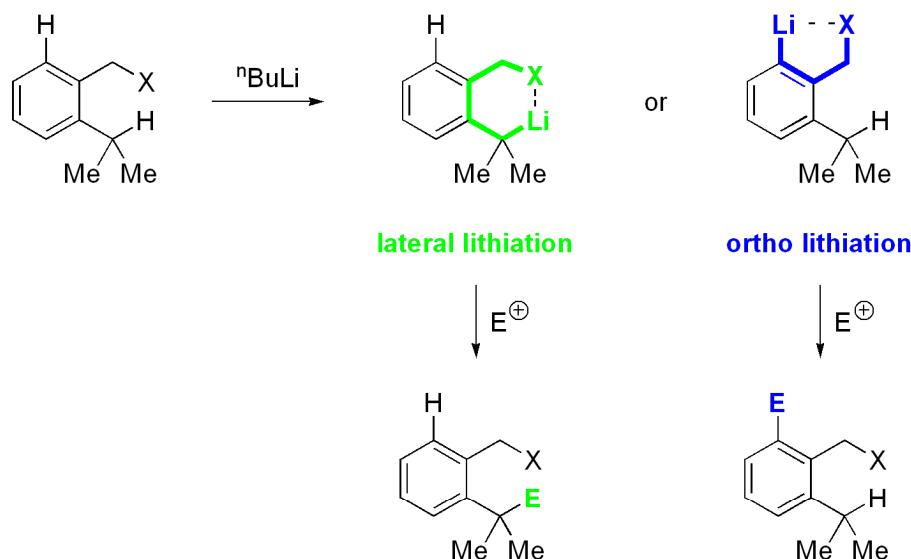


Org. React., Vol. 26, 1979, 1.

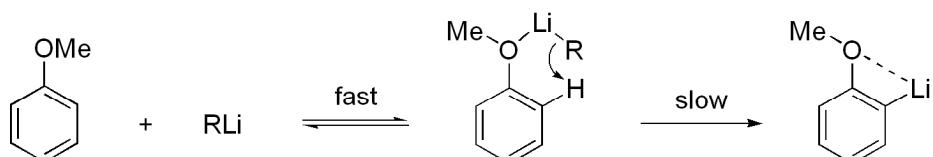


Org. React., Vol. 47, 1995, 1.

in general:



mechanism:

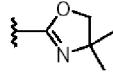


1. acceleration of deprotonation by Lewis-base coordination
2. strong bases used, like ⁿBuLi, ^sBuLi, ^tBuLi, LDA
3. often additives used (TMEDA, DABCO e. g.) to break up aggregates

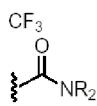
directing groups:

carbon based

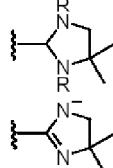
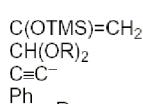
Strong: CON-R
CSN-R
CONR₂
CON(R)CH(Z)TMS, Z = H, TMS
CH=NR
(CH₂)_nNR₂, n = 1,2
CH(OH)CH₂NR₂
CN



Moderate:



Weak:



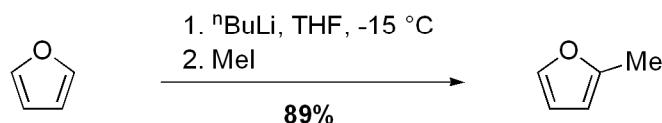
heteroatom based

Strong: N-COR
N-CO₂R
OCONR₂
OPO(NR)₂
OCH₂OMe
OTHP
OPh
SO₃R
SO₂N-R
SO₂NR
SO₃⁻
SO₂'Bu
SO'Bu

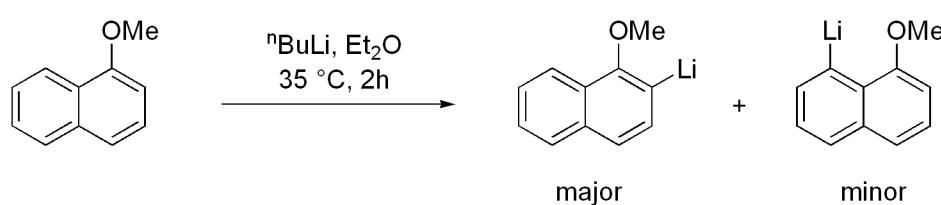
Moderate: NR₂
N=C
OMe
OCH=CH₂
OPO(OR)₂
O(CH₂)₂X, X = OMe, NR₂
F
Cl
PO(NR)₂
PS(Ph)NR₂

Weak: O⁻
S⁻

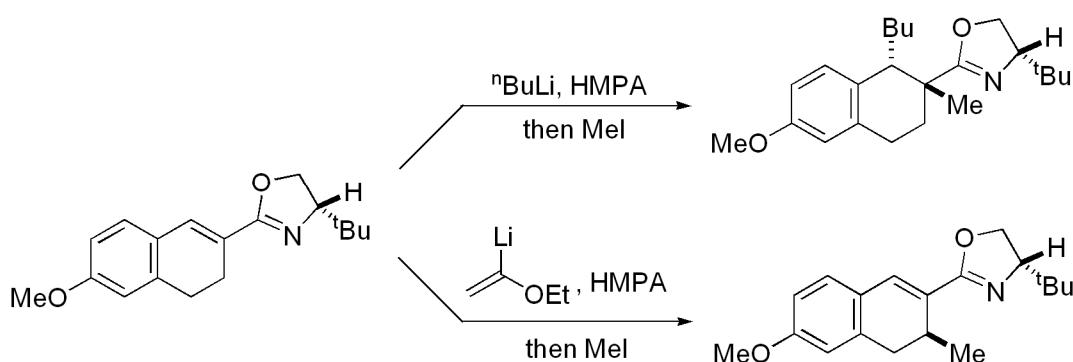
Snieckus *Chem. Rev.* **1990**, *90*, 879.

examples:

Helv. Chim. Acta **1977**, *60*, 2085.

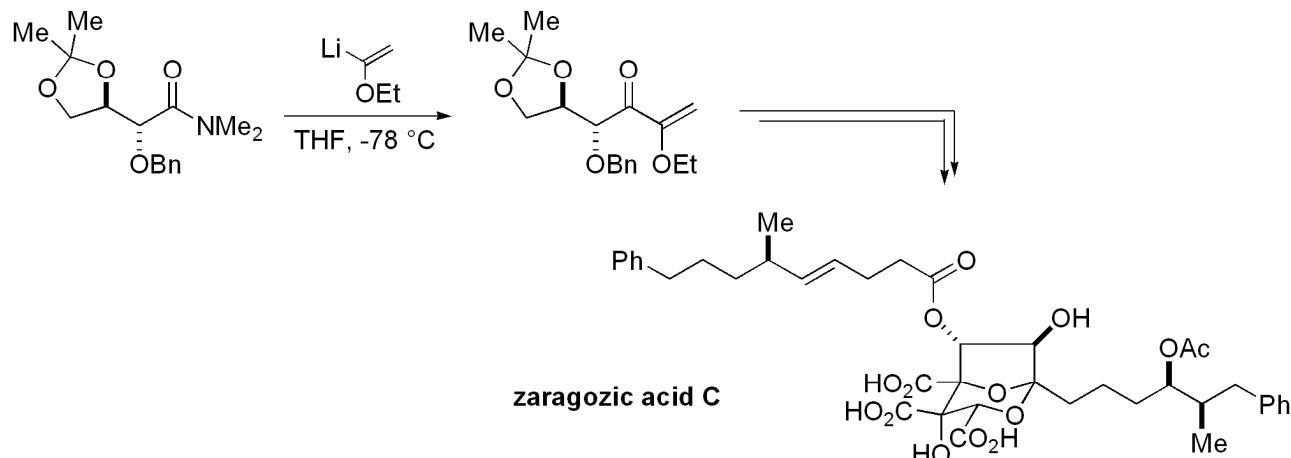
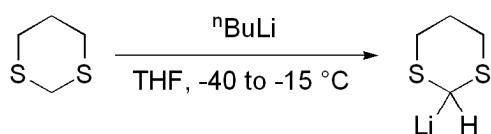
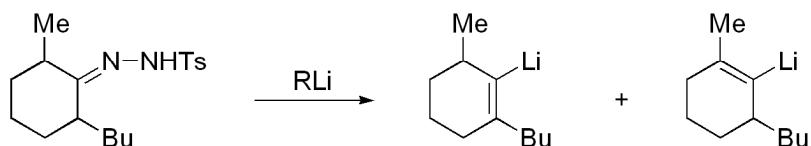


J. Org. Chem. **1996**, *31*, 1221.



Meyers
Tetrahedron Lett. **1997**, *38*, 5415.

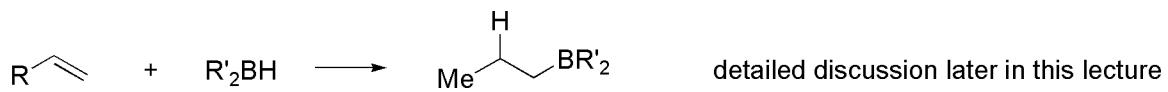
directed metallation of non-aromatic substrates

Baldwin *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, *96*, 7125.Carreira *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 8106.Corey-Seebach method *J. Org. Chem.* **1975**, *40*, 231.**5. Lithiation via the Shapiro Reaction***J. Org. Chem.* **1981**, *46*, 1315.

for more references, see: *J. Chem. Soc.* **1952**, 4735.
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Org. React., Vol. 39, **1990**, 1.

6. Hydrometallation

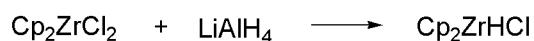
6.1. Hydroboration



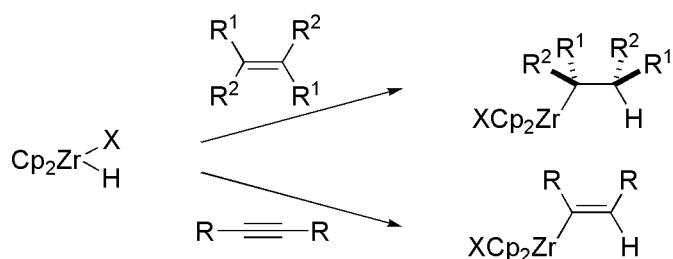
6.2. Hydrozirconation

most commonly used reagent: Cp_2ZrHCl (**Schwartz's reagent**)

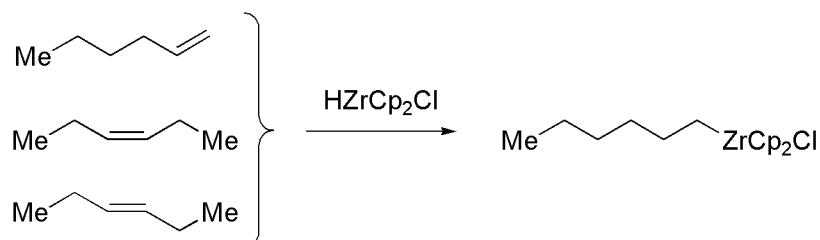
preparation:



addition occurs in a *syn*-fashion:



Zr migrates along alkyl chains to the terminal position:



for alkynes: no migration away from sp^2 -carbons observed
terminal addition is preferred

