



The Reactivity of Vinyl Cations in TM-Free Condition

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Tricoordinated carbocation & dicoordinated carbocation





high s orbital character minimized resonance & hyperconjugation chanllenging formation unknown in asymmetric catalysis

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Carbocation:

- Low intrinsic barrier
- Stable intermediate
- Multiple reactions

Vinyl cation:

- ➢ High intrinsic barrier
- Unstable intermediate
- Possibility of C-H insertion

H. O. Smith, et. al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 1972, 11, 635-636.





S. Searles, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1944**, 66, 686–689. G. Cseh, et. al. *Helv. Chim. Acta.* **1964**, 47, 1590–1602.



Vinyl cation by alkyne and allene with gold catalysis



K. N. Houk, F. D. Toste, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2008**, 130, 4517–4526. R. S. Liu, et. al. J. Org. Chem. **2008**, 73, 4907–4914. Vinyl cation formation and nucleophilic attack





Vinyl cation by alkyne with copper catalysis



M. J. Gaunt, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2012**, 134, 10773–10776. M. J. Gaunt, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2013**, 135, 12532–12535.





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Ring closing reaction of alkyne with carbocation



Y. Yamamoto, et. al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2009, 48, 5893–5896.
F. Rodr guez, et. al. Org. Lett. 2018, 20, 1659–1662.

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Ring closing reaction of alkyne with alkene and allene



Y. Yamamoto, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2010**, 132, 5590–5591. Z. X. Yu, et. al. J. Org. Chem. **2018**, 83, 7633–7647. **Rearrangement reaction of alkyne with sulfoxide**





OH

SPh

Selected examples

93%



32%

N. Maulide, et. al. Adv. Synth. Catal. 2017, 359, 64–77.



96%

Selected examples











63%

SPh

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Construction of axis chiral compounds





P. Y. Toullec, et. al. Chem. Eur. J. 2020, 26, 16266–16271.



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Vinyl cation by α -diazo ester





B. L. Williamson, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1996**, 118, 1-11. M. Brewer, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2008**, 130, 3766-3767.



Vinyl cation by α -diazo ketone



Vinyl cation by α -diazo amide





M. Brewer, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2019, 141, 3558-3565.

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$[Ph_{3}C]^{+}$ $[HCB_{11}CI_{11}]^{-}$ (5 mol%) ÷D₁ i Pr₃SiH (10 mol%) cyclohexane-d₁₂, 70 °C, 13 h TMS H/D D/H 49% 15% Ď/Н R₃Si-F rms 16% Fluoride abstracton $[Ph_{3}C]^{+}$ $[HCB_{11}CI_{11}]^{-}$ (5 mol%) phenylcyclohexane ^{*i*}Pr₃SiH (10 mol%) and R₃SiH TMS cyclohexane : cyclohexane-d₁₂ (1:1) phenylcyclohexane-d₁₁ 70 °C, 13 h $K_{\rm H}/K_{\rm D} = 1.08$





SiMe₃ Ð

aryne intermediate not existed

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Aryl Cation



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Mechanism for C-H Insertion





Isotopic Labeling Studies



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Entry	Substrate	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Product	
1	OTf	C_6H_{12}	30	Cy 85%	
2	OTf	C ₆ H ₁₂	30	Cy 40% 39%	
3	OTf	C ₆ H ₁₂	70	су су 16% 19%	
4	OTf	CHCl ₃ /C ₆ H ₁₂	-40	← + ← Cy Cy 17% 34%	

CHCl₃ : attenuate hyperconjugative effects of cyclohexene



unsymmetrically bridged nonclassical ion

Me

hydride approach

leading to branch



hydride approach leading to end



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B Generation of $[Li]^+ [B(C_6F_5)_4]^-$ under reaction condition

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[Li]⁺ [OTf]⁻ +

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15%



D Evidence of a vinyl cation intermediate



E Evidence supporting concerted C-H insertion











A Stoichiometric experiments with lithium urea salt



23% yield

B Attempted cyclopentene formation from propylated ester triflate





C Proposed pathway of the C-C bond forming evnt of vinylogous acyl triflates





K. N. Houk, H. M. Nelson, et. al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2022, 61, e202113972.





B Unsymmetric boronic ester reactivity

12% (5.1:1 styrene products C1=C2:C2=C3)

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The first enantioselective version of vinyl cations



Entry	IDPi	Х	Silane	Yield	ee
1	A1B1	Н	allyl TIPS	56%	52%
2	A1B2	CF_3	allyl TIPS	79%	85%
3	A1B3	CF_3	allyl TIPS	72%	60%
4	A1B4	CF_3	allyl TIPS	11%	84%
5	A1B5	CF_3	allyl TIPS	84%	85%
6	A1B6	CF_3	allyl TIPS	72%	91%
7	A1B6	CF_3	allyl TMS	34%	89%
8	A1B6	CF_3	allyl Si(TES) ₃	91%	91%
9	A1B6	CF_3	none	0%	-











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More new methods of producing vinyl cations Mo

More reactivity of vinyl cations

The enantioselective version of vinyl cations are just booming!

More methods to get vinyl cation



More stable structure of vinyl cation



A. Sekiguchi, et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2012, 134, 886–889.
C. W. So, et. al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2022, 61, e202212842.



More reactions of vinyl cation

Carbocation chemistry Friedel–Crafts Alkylation S_N1 and S_N1' Reactions Wagner–Meerwein Rearrangements Ritter Reaction Schmidt Reaction Pinacol and Prins-Pinacol Rearrangements Nazarov Reaction





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