experiments samples of 5 were added to a 10-fold excess of tributylstannane in benzene (1.62 or 3.24 M), and the solutions were degassed, heated at 80 °C for 3 h, and then analyzed for 11 and 12 by GC. The results are given in the text.

Reaction of 8 with Tributylstannane. The bromide 8 (10.2 mg, 0.046 mmol) was dissolved in benzene (2.0 mL). Tributylstannane (6.2 μ L, 0.023 mmol) and a trace of AIBN were added to an aliquot (0.50 mL) of this solution, which was then heated in a sealed tube at 80 °C for 17 h. After distillation (bath 60 °C (50 mm)), the mixture was analyzed by GC–MS analysis (40 $^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ isothermal). Varying amounts of tributylstannane were added to other aliquots, which were then heated and analyzed in the same way for 11 and 12. Within experimental error the results obtained were the same as those from reactions of 5.

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Heck Reaction on Anthraquinone Derivatives: Ligand, Solvent, and Salt Effects

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The palladium-catalyzed Heck reaction of trifluoromethanesulfonates of anthraquinoid systems is described. The outcome of the reaction between methyl acrylate 4 and 1-(9,10-anthraquinoyl)trifluoromethanesulfonate 7 (reduction versus arylation) is strongly correlated to the choice of ligand, solvent, and added salt. The results are explained in terms of different coordination-insertion pathways as a function of the reaction conditions. Best conditions have been transferred to the synthesis of novel anthracyclinone, 4-demethoxy-4-(2'-methoxycarbonyl)ethenyl-13-dioxolanyldaunomycinone 5.

Introduction

During our studies of structure-activity relationships of antitumor anthracyclines,¹ we needed to prepare substantial quantities of novel 4-substituted anthracyclinones for glycosidation and biological evaluation.²

In this context, we have recently developed a new process for the preparation of 4-demethoxydaunomycinone 3, based on the palladium-catalyzed reduction of the key intermediate ketal triflate 2,3 readily available from the natural daunomycinone 1 (Scheme I).⁴ Accordingly, we decided to extend palladium catalysis to carbon-carbon bond formation by exploiting the Heck reaction (arylation of olefin by palladium catalyst).⁵

Unfortunately, the reported procedure for aryl triflates (Pd(PPh₃)₂Cl₂, methyl acrylate 4, Et₃N, in DMF at 90 °C) failed when 2 was used as substrate.⁶ The desired acrylate 5 was not formed, and the only product present in the reaction mixture after 24 h was 6 (Scheme II).

This result prompted us to study in some detail the mechanism of the Heck reaction on anthraquinoid systems, in order to understand the main factors affecting the reaction course.

Results and Discussion

In our previous work on the palladium-catalyzed reduction of aryl sulfonates in the presence of triethylammonium formate,^{3,7} we reported that catalytic systems generated in situ from $Pd(OAc)_2$ and bidentate phosphine ligands like 1,3-bis(diphenylphosphino)propane (DPPP) or 1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene (DPPF) were much more effective than the PPh₃-based one.

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Scheme I



Scheme II



allowed a 500-fold increase in the reaction rate with respect to PPh₃.8

However, both the DPPP- and the DPPF-containing catalyst were ineffective in promoting the reaction of 2 with methyl acrylate 4.⁹ The failure of the Heck reaction is not related to a slow oxidative addition of 2 to the palladium catalyst, which proved to be a very efficient process, as deduced by the results of the catalytic reduction (Scheme III, part a), but is probably attributable either to an inefficient olefin coordination or to a high-energy migration of the aryl moiety onto the coordinated double bond (Scheme III, part b).

In order to find better conditions for the coordinationinsertion process, we investigated the reaction between 4 and the model triflate 7.

A comparative study of different catalysts is reported in Table I. Bis(triphenylphosphine)palladium dichloride in the presence of 10 equiv of 4 at 90 °C gave the arylated product 8 in good yield (entry 1), but was ineffective at 60 °C (entry 2). On the other hand, with the DPPP-containing catalyst the reaction was complete at 60 °C within 1.5 h (entry 3). With DPPF as ligand, we observed a longer reaction time and a mixture of 8 and the reduction product 9 was obtained (entry 4).

Although the model 7 showed different reactivity from compound 2, the outcome of the reaction with DPPF as ligand suggested that the coordination-insertion step was the major problem in this case too. The 8/9 ratio could be used to monitor the effectiveness of the catalytic system for the arylation process. With the catalyst generated in situ from $Pd(OAc)_2$ and DPPP, the molar ratio 4/7 had no influence on rate or selectivity (Table II, entries 1 and 2). In contrast, in the presence of DPPF the reaction became slower and less selective for the arylated product 8 be decreasing the olefin excess (entries 3-6). The nature of the solvent affects the selectivity of the reaction significantly using $Pd(OAc)_2/DPPF$ as catalyst. When the reaction was carried out in dioxane or DMF, similar results were observed (entries 3 and 7), while in toluene only 4%of 9,10-anthraquinone 9 was formed (entry 8). Complete

Table I. Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction between Methyl Acrylate 4 and Triflate 7. Ligand Effect^a



^a All reactions were run under an argon atmosphere using 0.5 mmol of 7 in the presence of the reported catalytic system, 5 mmol of 4, and 1 mmol of Et₃N in DMF (0.6 M). ^b Isolated yield.

Table II. Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction between 4 and 7. Base, Solvent, and Olefin's Equivalent Effect^a

entry	ligand	base	solvent	4/70	<i>t</i> , h	8/9°
1	DPPP	Et _a N	DMF	10	1.5	100/0
2	DPPP	Et ₃ N	DMF	5	1.7	100/0
3	DPPF	Et ₃ N	DMF	10	22	71/29
4	DPPF	Et ₃ N	DMF	5	38	43/57
5	DPPF	Et ₃ N	DMF	3	48	20/80
6	DPPF	Et ₃ N	DMF		50	0/100
7	DPPF	Et ₃ N	dioxane	10	24	66/34
8	DPPF	Et_3N	toluene	10	24	96/4
9	DPPF	NaHCO ₃	DMF	10	16	100/0

^aAll reactions were run under an argon atmosphere using 0.5 mmol of 7 in the presence of 5 mol % of Pd(OAc)₂, 5.5 mol % of the ligand, and 1 mmol of the base at 60 °C until the conversion was complete. ^bMolar ratio. ^cMolar ratio determined by HPLC using 1-(9,10-antraquinoyl)tosilate as external standard; the yields, determined by HPLC, were always better then 95%.

selectivity for 8 was achieved in DMF using NaHCO₃ as base (entry 9).

These results can be rationalized on the basis of the charge distribution in the oxidative addition complex, in which the palladium atom is linked to the following: (i) an electron-poor carbon atom, due to the presence of the anthraquinoid system; (ii) a trifluoromethanesulfonate counterion strongly dissociated from the metal;¹⁰ (iii) a bidentate phosphine ligand.

If an associative mechanism is ruled out for steric reasons, the coordination of the double bond can occur by displacement of the counterion (Scheme IV, path A) or by displacement of one of the two phosphorus atoms (Scheme IV, path B).

Stang¹¹ has noted the "exceptional lability" of the Pt^(II)-OTf bond in the oxidative addition intermediate generated in the reaction between platinum(0) complexes

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TfO

part a



TfOH



and vinyl triflates. The capability of the trifluoromethanesulfonate anion to be easily exchanged in the oxidative addition complex by neutral ligands has been postulated for the corresponding palladium complexes,¹²





and it is reasonable to extend it to our intermediate. According to this hypothesis for triflate 7 in DMF, the coordination occurs preferentially via path A. When the two phosphorus atoms are linked by an alkyl chain, as in 10a, the charge density on the metal is sufficient to favor the coordination of 4, and compound 8 is obtained selectively. On the other hand, if a ferrocenyl moiety is present, as in 10c, the charge density on the metal is reduced and

ArH

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Table III. Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction between 4 and 7. Salt Effect^a

entry	ligand	salt	<i>t</i> , h	8/9 ^b	
1	DPPF		38	43/57	
2	DPPF	LiCl	20	100/0	
3	DPPF	LiBr	22	100/0	
4	DPPF	LiI	21	100/0	
5	DPPF	Et₄NCl	19	100/0	
6	DPPF	AcOLi	40	80/20	
7	DPPP		1.5	100/0	
8	DPPP	AcOLi	24	100/0	
9	DPPP	LiCl	24		

^eAll reactions were run under an argon atmosphere using 0.5 mmol of 7, in the presence of 5 mol % of Pd(OAc)₂, 5.5 mol % of the ligand, 5 mmol of 4, 1 mmol of Et₃N and 1.5 mmol of the salt in DMF (0.6 M) at 60 °C. When present 3 equiv of salt have been added. ^bMolar ratio determined by HPLC using 1-(9,10-antraquinoyl)tosilate as external standard; the yields, determined by HPLC, were always better then 95%.

there is a competition between the coordination of methyl acrylate (good π acceptor and poor donor) and the lone pair of the nitrogen of triethylamine (good σ donor).¹³

The coordination of Et₃N by the palladium(II) complex followed by metal insertion and β -hydride elimination gives the Pd-H intermediate that after reductive elimination affords the reduction product 9 (Scheme V).^{14,15} This suggestion is supported by the complete suppression of the reduction product when NaHCO₃ was used as base; in this case no source of hydride was present in the reaction mixture and the arylation product 8 was formed selectively (Table II, entry 9).

The solvent effect can be explained on the basis of the solvation of ion pairs; toluene, a poorly coordinating and dissociating solvent, increases the electrostatic interaction in the Pd(II)-OTf bond, and the coordination step proceeds perferentially through displacement of the ligand (Scheme IV, path B). The charge density on the metal is higher than it is when coordination takes place via dissociation of the anion (Scheme IV, path A), the overlap between the d orbital of the metal and the π^* orbital of the olefin is more effective, and triethylamine is unable to coordinate to the metal. This resulted in a higher selectivity toward 8.

These considerations suggest that another way to increase the charge density on palladium can be devised, namely the replacement of $CF_3SO_3^-$ by a less easily dissociated counterion. It is well-known from Stille's work¹⁶

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on the palladium-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction between aryltriflates and tin derivatives that addition of LiCl results in exchange between $CF_3SO_3^-$ and Cl^- in the oxidative addition complex. In our system, intermediate 10d should, via dissociation of the ligand (Scheme IV, path B), efficiently afford 8 even when DPPF is the ligand. The results obtained with added salts, reported in Table III, are in agreement with this hypothesis. In fact, with DPPF as ligand, the addition of halide anions resulted in a complete selectivity toward 8 and an increase of the reaction rate regardless of the counterion employed, either Li^+ or Et_4N^+ (entries 1-5). When AcOLi was used as added salt, only moderate enhancement of the selectivity was observed according to the intermediate-dissociating ability of AcOwith respect to triflate and halides (entry 6).¹⁷

It is worth noting that completely different behavior was observed using DPPP as ligand. In this case the reaction rate was decreased in the presence of AcO⁻ (entry 8) and the reaction was completely suppressed in the presence of LiCl (entry 9). The different behavior of the two ligands can be ascribed to the greater tendency of DPPF compared to DPPP to dissociate from the metal.¹⁸ DPPP is not prone to dissociation (path B in Scheme IV), and since in the presence of Cl⁻ also path A is hampered, the oxidative addition intermediate 10b is unable to coordinate 4.¹⁹ These results allowed us to perform the Heck reaction on substrate 2. In fact, using $Pd(OAc)_2/DPPF$ as the catalytic system in dioxane, the presence of added chloride or acetate anions allowed the synthesis of the novel anthracyclinone 5 in 50-62% yield.

Our procedure failed with electron-rich enol ethers²⁰ because back-donation from the metal to the olefin is useless with poor π acceptors.

The use of acetate²¹ or halide²² salts has been a subject of interest in the Heck reaction. These salts were added mainly as bases or phase-transfer cataysts, but there is no evidence that their addition modifies the mechanism of the coordination insertion step when aryl or aroyl halides are used as substrates.²³ The easy exchange of the counterion in the oxidative addition complex is peculiar to the trifluoromethanesulfonate anion.

It should be added that, although this work has been carried out on one particular substrate, the proposed

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mechanism seems to be a general one in the presence of bidentate phosphine ligands. In fact, in a very recent paper Ozawa and Hayashi invoked a similar mechanistic hypothesis in order to explain the outcome of the asymmetric Heck reaction of simple aryl triflates and aryl iodides with dihydrofuran in the presence of the $Pd(OAc)_2/(R)$ -BINAP complex.^{24a}

Conclusion

DPPP and DPPF have shown to be good ligands in the Heck reaction; this work represents the first example in which bidentate phosphines have been used with success in the reaction between aryl triflates and an electron-deficient olefin.²⁴

The particular reactivity of the anthraquinoid system allowed us to study, under controlled conditions, the coordination-insertion step of the olefin onto the palladium(II) complex, and the effectiveness of the reaction resulted from a subtle balance between ligand and counterion in the oxidative addition intermediate.

The mechanism proposed is in agreement with the hypothesis of Ozawa and Hayashi and allows the clarification, to some extent, of the general mechanism of the arylation of olefin catalyzed by palladium complex in the presence of bidentate phosphine ligands. The procedure developed made possible the synthesis of the first anthracyclinone substituted at carbon 4 with a vinyl derivative. However, in anthracycline chemistry the Heck reaction is limited to the use of olefins able to accept electron back-donating from the metal.

Experimental Section

Melting points were determined on a Kofler apparatus and are uncorrected. ¹H NMR spectra were recorded at 200 MHz in CDCl₃. HPLC analyses were performed with a LiChrosorb RP-18 (7-µm) column using CH₃CN/CH₃OH/H₂O (51/15/33 by volume) as eluent. Purifications by flash chromatography were carried out on Merck silica gel 60 (230-400 mesh), as described by Still.²⁵ 4-Demethyl-4-(trifluoromethanesulfonyl)-13-dioxolanyldauno-

mycinone (2),³ 1-(9,10-anthraquinoyl) triflate 7,⁷ and Pd- $(PPh_3)_2Cl_2^{28}$ were prepared according to published procedures. Pd(OAc)₂, DPPP, DPPF were purchased from Aldrich.

Representative Procedure for Palladium-Catalyzed Reaction with Methyl Acrylate (4). Methyl [1-(9,10-Anthraquinoyl)]propenoate (8) (Table I, Entry 3). To a stirred solution of triflate 7 (0.178 g, 0.5 mmol) in 8.4 mL of DMF under Ar at rt were sequentially added Et_3N (0.139 mL, 1.0 mmol), 4 (0.45 mL, 5.0 mmol), DPPP (0.0113 g, 0.0275 mmol), and Pd(OAc)₂ (0.0056 g, 0.025 mmol). The solution was stirred and heated at 60 °C for 1.5 h then cooled to rt. CH₂Cl₂ (40 mL) was added, and the resulting mixture was sequentially washed with 5% HCl (3 \times 5 mL) and water until neutral. The solution was dried (Na₂SO₄), filtered, and evaporated. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate (8/2) by volume) affording quinone 8 (0.137 g, 94%): yellow solid; mp 195–197 °C (MeOH); IR (Nujol) 1720, 1690, 1340, 1290 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR δ 3.86 (s, 3 H), 6.27 (d, 1 H, J = 15.9 Hz), 7.65–7.90 (m, 4 H), 8.16–8.48 (m, 3 H), 8.69 (d, 1 H, J = 15.9 Hz). Anal. Calcd for $C_{18}H_{12}O_4$: C, 73.94; H, 4.14. Found: C, 73.91; H, 4.11.

The procedures for the palladium-catalyzed reactions of Table III and for triflate 2 were the same as described above with the exception that 3 equiv of the indicated salt were added just before the phosphine.

The reaction of 2 was carried out using the procedure described above in the presence of AcOLi and DPPF as ligand.

4-Demethoxy-4-[2'-(methoxycarbonyl)ethenyl]-13-dioxolanyldaunomycinone (5): 0.154 g, 62%; red solid; mp 214-216 °C dec; IR (KBr) 3470, 1716, 1610, 1575 cm⁻¹; UV (EtOH) 527, 492, 347, 264, 213 nm; λ_{max} 264 nm; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.48 (3 H, s), 1.98 (1 H, dd, J = 5.1, 14.7 Hz), 2.46 (1 H, dt, J = 2.0, 14.7 Hz), 2.79 (1 H, d, J = 18.9 Hz), 3.24 (1 H, dd, J = 2.1, 18.9 Hz), 3.34 (2 H, s), 3.80 (1 H, br s), 3.87 (3 H, s), 4.08 (4 H, s), 5.26 (1 H, dd, J = 1.5, 4.9 Hz), 6.24 (1 H, d, J = 15.9 Hz, 7.75-7.80 (2 H, m), 8.36-8.44 (1 H, m), 8.72 (1 H, d, J = 15.9 Hz), 13.35 (1 H, s), 13.54 (1 H, s); $[\alpha]_D = 195.0^\circ$ (c 0.1 in dioxane). Anal. Calcd for C₂₆H₂₄O₁₀: C, 62.90; H, 4.87. Found: C, 62.85; H, 4.91. By use of the same procedure in the presence of 3 equiv of LiCl instead of Et₃N and AcOH, compound 5 was isolated in 50% yield.

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Lewis Acid Induced Ene Cyclization of ω -Olefinic Trifluoromethyl Ketones: Access to Bicyclic Compounds Bearing a CF₃ Group

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Lewis acid induced ene cyclization of ω -olefinic trifluoromethyl ketones provides (trifluoromethyl)decalins and (trifluoromethyl)hydrindans in high yield. 5-(1-Cyclohexenyl) trifluoromethyl ketone 1a leads stereoselectively to 1-(trifluoromethyl)-1-hydroxy- $\Delta^{5,10}$ -octalin 3a or 10-chloro-1-(trifluoromethyl)-1-hydroxydecalin 6a, depending on the choice of Lewis acid. γ -(1-Cyclohexenyl) trifluoromethyl ketone 2a leads to a mixture of 9-chloro-1-(trifluoromethyl)-1-hydroxyhydrindans 10a and 11a. Similar reactions were performed successfully with the corresponding β -keto esters 1b and 2b.

Much attention has been focused on trifluoromethylsubstituted compounds because of the remarkable effect of such fluorinated groups on biological activity.^{1a-c} The selective introduction of a CF₃ group into bioactive mol-

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