

## The Pt-Catalyzed Carboselenation of Alkynes by Selenoesters

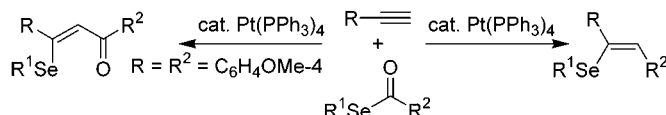
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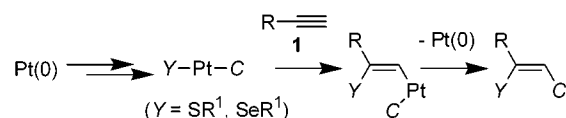
## ABSTRACT



The Pt-catalyzed carboselenation of terminal alkynes with selenoesters provided vinylselenides regio- and stereoselectively in moderate yields.

Although the transition-metal-catalyzed additions of heteroatom-containing compounds to C–C unsaturated compounds represented by hydrosilylation have been studied for more than three decades,<sup>1</sup> the utilities of organochalcogenides with Y–X bonds (Y = SR<sup>1</sup>, SeR<sup>1</sup>; X = element or functional group) have been recognized only lately.<sup>2</sup> We have recently demonstrated that basic knowledge of the ligand behavior of thiolates on Pd and Pt complexes<sup>3</sup> could be exploited to develop new reactions, that is, the Pt-catalyzed carbothi-olation of alkynes RCCH (**1**).<sup>4</sup> The concept we have elucidated is quite simple: (1) formation of an intermediate with the S–Pt–C fragment patterned after Pd-catalyzed S–C bond-forming cross-coupling reaction;<sup>5</sup> (2) insertion of **1** into the S–Pt bond to furnish a complex with a vinyl–C–Pt–C fragment; and (3) vinyl–C–C bond-forming reductive elimination with regeneration of Pt(0) (Scheme 1, Y = SR<sup>1</sup>).

Herein we wish to report on the Pt-catalyzed carboselenation of **1**, an extension of the protocol to selenium analogues (Y = SeR<sup>1</sup>).<sup>6</sup>

Scheme 1. Schematic Strategy for Carbothi-olation and Carboselenation of **1**

First, the reaction of 1-octyne (**1a**) (1.2 mmol) with PhSeC(O)Ph (**2a**) (1.0 mmol) was carried out in the presence 0.05 mmol of Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> in toluene (0.5 mL) under vigorous reflux conditions for 20 h. The crude reaction mixture was then subjected to preparative TLC. The anticipated Z-(n-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>)-(PhSe)C=CH(Ph) (**3a**),<sup>7</sup> the product of decarbonylative arylselenation, was isolated in 89% yield (entry 1 of Table 1). Neither the regio- and stereoisomers of **3a** nor PhSePh

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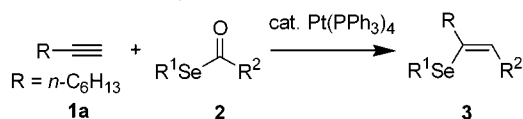
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**Table 1.** The Pt-Catalyzed Carboselenation of **1a** with **2a**<sup>a</sup>

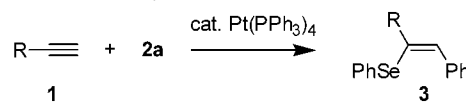
entry	<b>2</b>	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	isolated yield of <b>3</b> (%)
1	<b>2a</b>	Ph	Ph	<b>3a</b> ; 89
2 <sup>b</sup>	<b>2a</b>	Ph	Ph	<b>3a</b> ; 0 <sup>c</sup>
3	<b>2b</b>	4-CF <sub>3</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	Ph	<b>3b</b> ; 80
4	<b>2c</b>	4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	Ph	<b>3c</b> ; 81
5	<b>2d</b>	Ph	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> -4	<b>3d</b> ; 68 <sup>d</sup>
6	<b>2e</b>	Ph	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> -2,4	<b>3e</b> ; 83
7	<b>2f</b>	Ph	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> OMe-4	<b>3f</b> ; 65 <sup>e</sup>
8 <sup>f</sup>	<b>2g</b>	4-MeOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> OMe-4	<b>3g</b> ; 81 <sup>g</sup>
9	<b>2h</b>	Ph	<i>trans</i> -C(H)=C(H)Ph	<b>3h</b> ; 35
10 <sup>h</sup>	<b>2i</b>	Ph	C(H)=CMe <sub>2</sub>	<b>3i</b> ; 24
11 <sup>h</sup>	<b>2j</b>	4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	<i>t</i> -Bu	<b>3j</b> ; 0

<sup>a</sup> Unless otherwise noted, 1.2 mmol of **1a**, 1.0 mmol of **2**, and 0.05 mmol of Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> under toluene (0.5 mL) reflux for 20–40 h. <sup>b</sup> Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> (0.05 mmol). <sup>c</sup> PhSePh (**4a**) 72%. <sup>d</sup> 2-(Phenylseleno)-1-octene (18%). <sup>e</sup> *Z*-(*n*-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>)(R<sup>1</sup>Se)C=C(H)C(O)(R<sup>2</sup>) (**5a**) (11%). <sup>f</sup> 40 h. <sup>g</sup> **5b** (9%). <sup>h</sup> 7 days.

(**4a**) was obtained. In stark contrast, when the reaction was performed with Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> instead of Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, **3a** was hardly obtained (<1%) and the major product was **4a** (72%), indicating that Se–C bond-forming reductive elimination was facile from the Pd(II) complex after decarbonylation even in the presence of **1a** (entry 2).<sup>6</sup> The results of the reactions of **1a** with various R<sup>1</sup>SeC(O)R<sup>2</sup> (**2**) are summarized in Table 1. All reactions performed with electron-withdrawing or -donating groups in aromatic rings in R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>2</sup> provided the desired arylselenation products as major products (entries 3–8). When PhSeC(O)C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>-4 (**2d**) was employed, 2-(phenylseleno)-1-octene was also produced in 18% yield (entry 5). It must be noted that, in the case of R<sup>2</sup> = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-OMe-4, *Z*-(*n*-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub>)(R<sup>1</sup>Se)C=C(H)C(O)(R<sup>2</sup>) (R<sup>1</sup> = Ph, **5a**; R<sup>1</sup> = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>OMe-*p*, **5b**), the products of *arylselenation*,<sup>8</sup> were also produced in 11% and 9% yields, respectively. The *vinylselenation* took place with use of **2h** and **2i** to give the corresponding dienes albeit in low yields (entries 9 and 10). On the other hand, the selenoester with *t*-Bu as R<sup>2</sup> was totally ineffective (entry 11).

The results of reactions of some alkynes (**1**) with **2a** are summarized in Table 2. The functionalities such as PhCH<sub>2</sub>–, HO–, and NC– were tolerant toward the arylselenation of **2a** (entries 1–4). The reaction employing phenylacetylene (**1f**) formed **5c** in 19% yield together with 61% (*E/Z* = 10/90) of **3o** (entry 5) and the yield of **5** was increased by introducing 4-MeO in the phenyl group to furnish **5d** in 31% yield (entry 6). Then, to anticipate the increment of the formation of **5**, some reactions of **1g** with **2f** were next examined. As a result, the reaction performed under 10 kg/

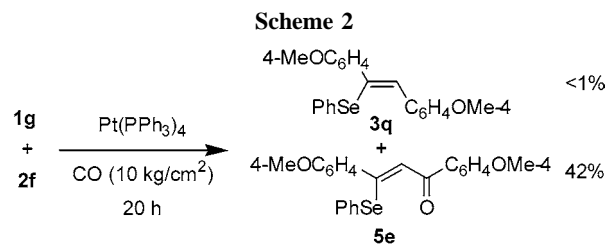
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**Table 2.** The Pt-Catalyzed Carboselenation of **1** with **2a**<sup>a</sup>

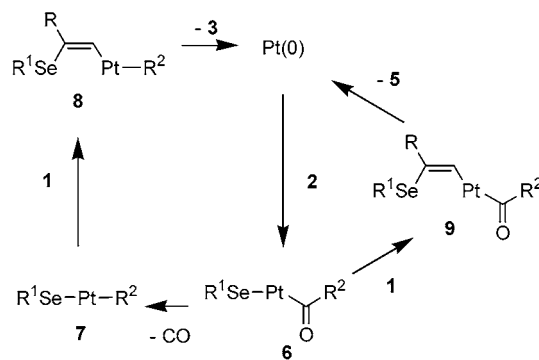
entry	<b>1</b>	R	isolated yield of <b>3</b> (%)
1	<b>1b</b>	PhCH <sub>2</sub>	<b>3k</b> ; 72
2	<b>1c</b>	HO(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	<b>3l</b> ; 56 <sup>b</sup>
3	<b>1d</b>	HO(1-cyclohexyl)	<b>3m</b> ; 86
4	<b>1e</b>	NC(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>3</sub>	<b>3n</b> ; 68
5	<b>1f</b>	Ph	<b>3o</b> ; 61 <sup>c,d</sup>
6	<b>1g</b>	4-MeOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	<b>3p</b> ; 31 <sup>e,f</sup>

<sup>a</sup> 1.2 mmol of **1**, 1.0 mmol of **2**, and 0.05 mmol of Pt(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub> under toluene (0.5 mL) reflux for 20–30 h. <sup>b</sup> *E/Z* = 5/95. <sup>c</sup> **3o** *E/Z* = 10/90. <sup>d</sup> **5c** (19%). <sup>e</sup> **3p** *E/Z* = 12/88. <sup>f</sup> **5d** (31%).

cm<sup>2</sup> of CO afforded **5e** in 42% yield with a trace amount of **3q** (<1%) (Scheme 2).



A possible mechanism for the present carboselenation of **1** by **2** is shown in Scheme 3 (PPh<sub>3</sub> omitted). The oxidative

**Scheme 3.** A Possible Reaction Pathway for the Pt-Catalyzed Carboselenation of **1** (PPh<sub>3</sub> Omitted)

addition of the Se–C bond of **2** to Pt(0) would trigger the reaction to give Pt(SeR<sup>1</sup>)[C(O)R<sup>2</sup>] (**6**). The following decarbonylation produced R<sup>1</sup>Se–Pt–R<sup>2</sup> (**7**) and then stereo- and regioselective insertion of **1** into the Se–Pt bond would furnish vinyl platinum **8**,<sup>9</sup> making the C–C bond-forming reductive elimination from Pt(II) possible to afford **3** with

regeneration of Pt(0).<sup>10</sup> If **1** inserted into the Se–Pt bond of **6** prior to the decarbonylation and then reductive elimination occurred from the resultant vinyl platinum **9**, **5** would be obtained.

In conclusion, this study substantiated that the strategy for arylthiolation of **1** shown in Scheme 1 ( $Y = SR^1$ ) also can be successfully applied to arylselenation ( $Y = SeR^1$ ),

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providing a new entry for the facile preparation of functionalized vinylselenides.<sup>11</sup> Furthermore, the possibility of arylselenation was also implicated.

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