

Palladium(II) *p*-Tolylamide and Reaction with CO₂ to Generate a Carbamate Derivative

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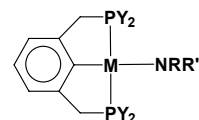
Pd(II) *p*-tolylamide Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) (**1**) was metathetically prepared by the reaction of Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)Cl with NaNH(C₆H₄Me-*p*). Treatment of **1** with carbon dioxide affords the palladium(II) carbamate Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(OC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) (**2**), quantitatively. Complex **2** reacts with HX (X = Cl, OTf) to give Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)X, NH₂(*p*-Tol) and CO₂. Reaction of the palladium(II) carbamate with MeI produced Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)I along with generation of methyl *N*-tolylcarbamate MeOC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*), exclusively.

Key Words: Palladium arylamide, Palladium carbamate, Insertion of CO₂, Methyl *N*-aryl carbamate

Introduction

Transition metal carbamates are of importance as potential intermediates in catalytic syntheses of ureas¹ and carbamic esters² from amine and CO₂. However such complexes have scarcely been isolated probably due to their hydrolytic decomposition.³ Several synthetic methodologies for carbamate complexes have been known. Reactions of cationic metal complexes containing labile ligands with amines and CO₂ commonly generate carbamate complexes.⁴ In the reactions, free amines have been shown to promote reactions in most cases, implicating a pathway involving ligand exchange with pre-formed carbamic acid HO₂CNR₂ derived from free amine and CO₂. However, synthesis of carbamate complexes *via* net insertion of CO₂ into M-NR₂ bond is rare.⁵ In the reaction involving a Pt(II)-NH₂ complex with CO₂, the amido ligand attacks CO₂ to give a metastable carbamic acid derivative Pt-NHC(O)OH, which slowly converts to carbamate complexes Pt-OC(O)NH₂ (Scheme 1).^{5b} This result suggests a pathway neither coordinated CO₂ nor free amine be involved. Metathetical reaction of metal halides with Ag(O₂CNR₂) to afford carbamate complexes was also reported.⁶ Carbamate complexes derived from net insertion of phenylisocyanate (PhNCO) into the M-O bond were studied by several groups, reporting the products *N*-coordinated carbamate complexes (M-NPhC(O)OR) (M = Pt, Pd, Ni, Ir, Mn, Re, Mo).^{5a,7}

We have been interested in amido complexes of Pd(II) and Pt(II), particularly having PCP pincer ligands that not only stabilize such a hard base ligand to be terminal but also offer regioselectivity in stoichiometric and catalytic reactions with olefin (Figure 1).⁸ Since the terdentate ligand inhibits both phosphine dissociation and reductive elimination of the aryl group, consequently the terminal amide ligand would display high reactivity towards various electrophiles. In this paper, of relevance to utilizing carbon dioxide as an environmentally benign car-



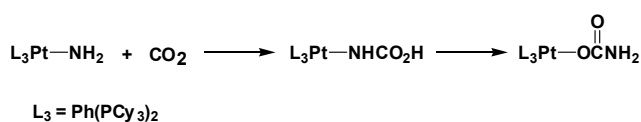
M = Pt, Pd; Y = Ph, Cy

Figure 1

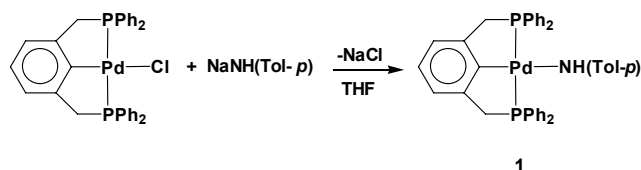
bonyl source, we wish to report a new complex of palladium(II) arylamide and its reaction with carbon dioxide to yield a carbamate complex *via* net insertion of carbon dioxide into the Pd-N bond. A stoichiometric reaction of the Pd(II) carbamate with methyl iodide to generate methyl *N*-tolylcarbamate is also reported.

Results and Discussion

Preparation of *p*-tolylamido complex, Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(NHC₆H₄Me-*p*) (1**).** Reaction of Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)Cl with an excess of NaNH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) (*ca.* 2 equivalents) in tetrahydrofuran afforded the Pd(II) *p*-toluidinide Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(NHC₆H₄Me-*p*) (**1**) in 75% yield (Scheme 2). The formulation of **1** can be readily verified by the ¹H- and ³¹P {¹H}-NMR spectroscopy. In the ¹H-NMR spectrum of **1** in *d*₆-benzene, the *NH* resonance of the amide moiety NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) has been observed at δ 2.43 as a broad signal. The methyl resonance of the *p*-tolyl group exhibits a single peak at δ 2.29. The resonance for the methylene protons (PCH₂) displays at δ 3.62 as a pseudo-triplet due to “virtual trans phosphorus coupling” (|²J(PH) + ⁴J(PH)| = 9.0 Hz).⁹ In the ³¹P {¹H}-NMR spectrum of **1** in *d*₆-benzene, a sharp single resonance at δ 31.1 was observed, indicating no competing side product formed from the reaction.



Scheme 1



Scheme 2

Complex **1** gave satisfactory microanalytical data (see Experimental Section). The palladium tolylamide is extremely air and moisture sensitive immediately to decompose. It is worthy to note that complex **1** can be readily prepared from the palladium chloride, metathetically. In comparison with the platinum analog, the amido complex could not be obtained from the platinum chloride. Thus, for promising synthesis of the platinum amide, the employed starting compound for metathesis has to bear a more labile ligand such as triflate.^{8c}

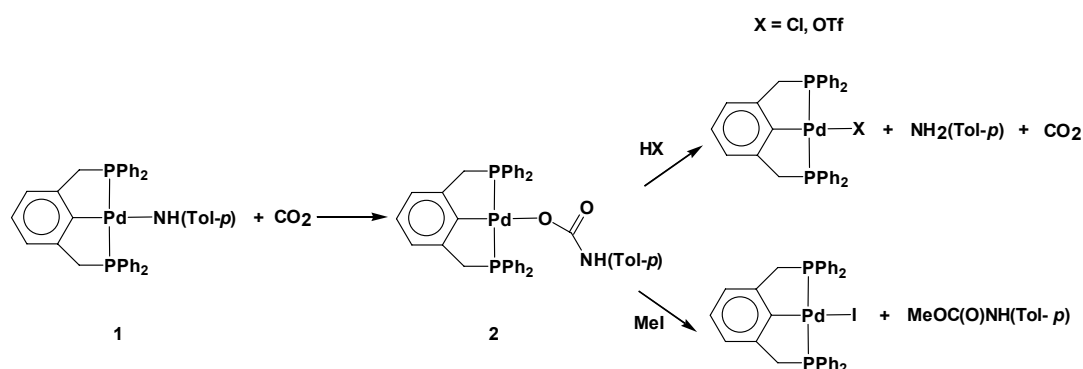
This monomeric amido complex of palladium with a terminal amide ligand is of particular interest because the complex would demonstrate that the metal-amide bond should selectively involve in the reaction with carbon dioxide; the ancillary PCP pincer would inhibit competing reactions of C-C(aryl) bond formation and C-N bond reductive elimination, likely arising from the *trans*-aryl ligand in the complex.

Preparation of carbamate complex, Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(OC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) (2). When carbon dioxide was bubbled through a *d*₆-benzene solution of Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(NH(Tol-*p*)) (**1**) in a 5-mm screw capped NMR tube for *ca.* 2 min, the carbamate complex Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(OC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) (**2**) was readily formed (Scheme 3). The reaction was nearly quantitative as judged by the ¹H- and ³¹P{¹H}-NMR spectroscopy. In the ¹H-NMR spectrum, the *NH* proton of the Pd-OC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) moiety resonates at δ 7.48 as a broad signal, which is a fairly large shift to downfield due to the functionality at the electron withdrawing group as compared to that of amido complex **1** at δ 2.43. The ³¹P{¹H}-NMR spectrum of **2** in *d*₆-benzene shows single resonance at δ 34.5. The addition of a strong coordinating ligand such as PPh₃ or pyridine into a *d*₆-benzene solution of **2** resulted in no signal changes in the ¹H- and ³¹P{¹H}-NMR spectra, indicating that *N*- or *O*-chelation of the carbamate moiety to palladium in the complex can be apparently excluded. The ¹³C{¹H}-NMR spectral data for **2** was not available due to instability of the palladium carbamate in solution for a relatively long period of scanning time (> 12 h). In comparison with platinum analogs, palladium carbamates

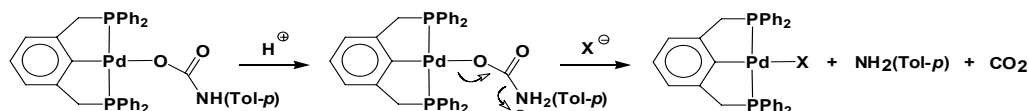
are relatively unstable to slowly undergo decomposition *via* deinsertion of CO₂ (*vide infra*).^{4,5}

The carbamate moiety in complex **2**, however, is well characterized by observation of the $\nu(\text{CO})$ absorption band at 1632 cm⁻¹ in the IR spectrum, which is well consistent with those of previously reported Pt(II) and Pd(II) carbamates.⁵ Carbamate complexes are characterized by an intense absorption band of the $\nu(\text{CO})$ around 1600 cm⁻¹ associated with the M-OC(O)NR₂ moiety. The $\nu(\text{CO})$ at 1632 cm⁻¹ observed for **2** is in good agreement with the literature data for *trans*-PdPh(OC(O)NHPh)(PMe₃)₂ at 1630 cm⁻¹.^{5c} For Pt(II) complexes *trans*-PtH(OC(O)NHPh)(PEt₃)₂^{5a} and *trans*-PtPh(OC(O)NH₂)(PCy₃)₂,^{5b} the $\nu(\text{CO})$ was reported at 1626 and 1616 cm⁻¹, respectively. A preparative scale of complex **2** was synthesized in benzene by the reaction of **1** with CO₂ in 82% yield (see Experimental Section). The mass of molecular ion (729.19) observed in the FAB/MS spectrum of **2** is in good accordance with the calculated isotopic molecular mass (729.12).

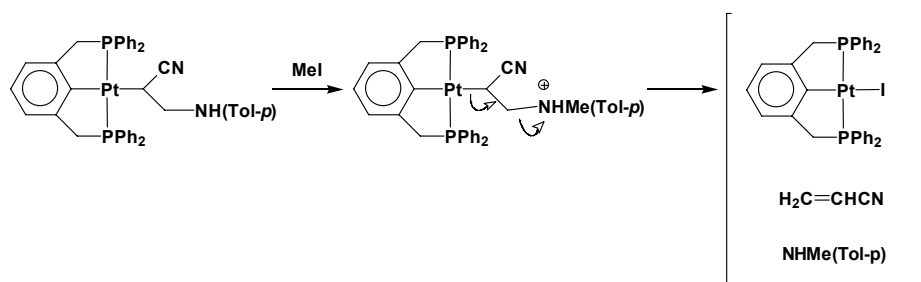
Complex **2** reacts with HX (diluted with *d*₆-benzene, X = Cl, OTf) in *d*₆-benzene to give the corresponding palladium(II) complex Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)X along with elimination of CO₂ and *p*-toluidine as evidenced by the ¹H-, ³¹P{¹H}-NMR and GC/MS spectroscopy (Scheme 3). The resulting palladium(II) species Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)Cl and Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(OTf) were verified by the observation of a single ³¹P-NMR resonance at δ 32.6 and δ 36.4, respectively. The released *p*-toluidine and CO₂ were identified by ¹H-NMR and GC/MS spectroscopy. In the reactions, either *N*-tolylcarbamic acid HOC(O)NH(Tol-*p*) or tolyl isocyanate OCN(Tol-*p*) likely arising from dehydration from the carbamic acid was not generated. These results can be unambiguously explained by a sequence of reactions involving preferential protonation at the amine nitrogen rather than at oxygen atom (Pt-O) in the carbamate moiety, and then subsequent elimination of free CO₂ along with *p*-toluidine *via* deinsertion (Scheme 4). In precedents, facile reactions of carbamate complexes with protic reagents such as H₂S, H₂O, acetic acid, and hydrogen halides to give



Scheme 3



Scheme 4



Scheme 5

respective sulfido,¹⁰ oxo,¹¹ acetato,^{12a} and halogeno complexes¹² with evolution of CO₂ were reported. *N,N*-dialkylcarbamato complexes of Pd(II) and Pt(II) as precursors for chemical implantation of metal ions and reduced metal nanoparticles on a silica support by reacting with acidic silanol group were reported.¹³ Carbamato complexes commonly undergo hydrolytic cleavages in the presence of H₂O as well as by treatment of acidic proton sources.

In stark contrast to protonolysis, treatment of complex **2** with MeI exclusively generated methyl *N*-tolylcarbamate MeOC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) and the Pd(II) iodide Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)I which was verified by single ³¹P-NMR resonance at δ 37.3 (Scheme 3). Few examples for synthesis of carbamic esters from reactions of carbamato complexes with methyl iodide have been known. One precedent for the formation of carbamic methyl ester RR'NC(O)OMe from the reaction of palladium dialkylcarbamate PdMe(OC(O)NRR')(PPh₃)₂ with methyl iodide was previously reported.^{4a} In the precedent, however, the reaction involves more complicated manners to produce competing side products such as MeOC(O)OMe and CO₂, which implies hydrolytic decomposition of the carbamate complexes proceeded.

In our study, complex **2** bearing a terdentate PCP pincer as an ancillary ligand, Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(OC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) selectively reacts with MeI to produce MeOC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*), exclusively. No side product has been observed from the reaction. The formation of MeOC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) was confirmed by GC/MS analysis. The fragmentation pattern of generated methyl *N*-tolylcarbamate is in good agreement with that of an authentic sample (*m/z* = 165, 133, 120, 106, 77). The reaction proceeded fairly slowly but quantitatively for *ca.* 12 h. In the reaction, amine derivative NHMe(Tol-*p*) was not produced, clearly ruling out a reaction pathway involving *N*-methylation followed by CO₂ elimination. This result is of interest as compared with our previous report pertinent to methylation of a toluidinoalkyl Pt(II) complex with MeI, resulting in *N*-methylated products.^{8c} In our previous study, reaction of Pt(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(CH(CN)CH₂NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) with MeI underwent preferential *N*-methylation followed by deinsertion of olefin to generate NHMe(Tol-*p*) and free CH₂=CHCN along with the platinum(II) iodide (Scheme 5). This incompatible reactivity of aminated derivatives of Pt(II) and Pd(II) towards MeI can readily be explained by relative nucleophilicity of tolylamino group due to different functionality. The lack of nucleophilicity of the carbamato nitrogen attached with electron withdrawing group disfavors *N*-methylation, resulting in the *O*-me-

thylated product MeOC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*). In the reaction, *O*-methylation to produce MeOC(O)NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) likely proceeds *via* facile oxidative addition of MeI to Pd(II) leading to a transient Pd(IV) species followed by C-O reductive elimination.

Experimental Section

All preparations of air sensitive compounds were carried out on a standard Schlenk line or in an inert atmosphere glovebox under argon. Tetrahydrofuran and diethyl ether were freshly distilled from sodium/benzophenone ketyl under nitrogen, and then stored over molecular sieve. Benzene, *n*-pentane and *n*-hexane were distilled from sodium/benzophenone ketyl with tetraglyme (tetraethylene glycol dimethyl ether). CH₂Cl₂ was dried by refluxing over sodium hydride under nitrogen. PdCl₂ was supplied by Kojima Chemicals Co., Ltd., and used without purification. Potassium diphenylphosphide, 1,5-cyclooctadiene, α,α'-dibromo-*m*-xylene and C₆D₆ were purchased from Aldrich Chemical Company, and used as supplied. *p*-Toluidine was purified by subliming in vacuo at 50 °C. CO₂ gas was dried by passing through a column (Drierite gas-drying unit: Aldrich Z11,287-9) filled with anhydrous CaSO₄. A screw capped 5-mm NMR tube equipped with a PTFE septum for a needle puncture (528-TR) was supplied from Wilmad Glass Company. All other reagents were from various commercial companies. NaNH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) was prepared from the reaction of NaH and *p*-toluidine in refluxing THF solution for 24 hours, and isolated from diethyl ether. Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)Cl and Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(OTf) were synthesized according to the literatures.^{8ab,14}

IR spectra were recorded on a Bomem FT-IR spectrometer (Michelson 100), as pressed KBr pellets. ¹H- and ³¹P{¹H}-NMR spectra were measured on a Varian Gemini-2000 spectrometer, using the deuterium signal of the solvent as an internal lock frequency. Chemical shifts for ¹H-NMR are reported in ppm (δ) relative to TMS. For ³¹P{¹H}-NMR, chemical shifts were measured in ppm relative to external 85% H₃PO₄ (in a sealed capillary). GC/MS analyses were carried out using an HP 6890 gas chromatograph equipped with an HP 5973 MSD and an HP-Ultra 1 column (Crosslinked Methyl Silicone Gum, 50 m × 0.2 mm, 0.33 μm film thickness). Elemental and FAB/MS analyses were performed at Korea Basic Science Institute in Seoul, Korea.

Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)(NH(C₆H₄Me-*p*)) (1). A THF solution of NaNH(C₆H₄Me-*p*) (39 mg, 0.30 mmol) was slowly added to a stirred solution of Pd(2,6-(Ph₂PCH₂)₂C₆H₃)Cl (100

mg, 0.16 mmol) in THF. The reaction mixture was stirred for ca. 2 h. The color of solution gradually changed from pale yellow to deep greenish orange during the course of reaction. Removal of volatiles from the solution under high vacuum resulted in a greenish orange residue, which was washed with *n*-hexane (2×10 mL) and then extracted with benzene (2×10 mL) to give an orange solution. The volume of the solution was reduced to ca. 3 mL under high vacuum. Addition of *n*-hexane (ca. 15 mL) to the concentrated solution resulted in orange precipitates, which were filtered and dried in vacuo for 12 h gave an analytically pure orange compound. Yield 82 mg (75%). $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (d_6 -benzene) δ 2.29 s (3H, CH_3), δ 2.43 br (1H, NH), δ 3.62 t (4H, CH_2 , $|^2\text{J}(\text{PH}) + ^4\text{J}(\text{PH})| = 9.0$ Hz), δ 6.7-7.8 m (27H, phenyl). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR (d_6 -benzene) δ 31.1 s. Anal. Calc. for $\text{C}_{39}\text{H}_{35}\text{N}_1\text{P}_2\text{Pd}_1$: C, 68.28; H, 5.14; N, 2.04. Found: C, 68.13; H, 5.14; N, 2.11%.

Reaction of 1 with CO_2 to yield $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p))$ (2). Reaction of $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p))$ (ca. 10 mg) with carbon dioxide was carried out in a screw capped 5-mm NMR tube equipped with a PTFE septum for a needle puncture (Wilmaid, 528-TR). Carbon dioxide was bubbled through a d_6 -benzene solution of complex 1 for ca. 2 min via a 7-inch long needle connected with a silicone tube to a CO_2 cylinder. The color of solution immediately changes from orange to yellow upon treatment of CO_2 . The complex $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p))$ (2) was quantitatively formed in solution as monitored by ^1H - and $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR spectroscopy. The carbamate complex 2 in a pale yellowish solid can be isolated from *n*-hexane. Complex 2 can be obtained in a preparative scale by the reaction of 1 (100 mg, 0.15 mmol) with CO_2 in benzene. Recrystallization from benzene/*n*-hexane gave an analytically pure compound. Yield 87 mg (82%). IR (KBr Pellet): $\nu(\text{CO}) = 1632$ cm^{-1} . $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (d_6 -benzene) δ 2.14 s (3H, CH_3), δ 3.41 t (4H, CH_2 , $|^2\text{J}(\text{PH}) + ^4\text{J}(\text{PH})| = 8.9$ Hz), δ 6.8-8.0 m (27H, phenyl), δ 7.48 (1H, NH). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR (d_6 -benzene) δ 34.5 s. FAB/MS: Calcd. for $\text{C}_{40}\text{H}_{35}\text{N}_1\text{O}_2\text{P}_2\text{Pd}_1$: 729.12. Found: 729.19.

Reaction of 2 with HCl to yield $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)\text{Cl}$, $\text{NH}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)$ and CO_2 . Reaction of $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p))$ with HCl in d_6 -benzene generated $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)\text{Cl}$ and $(\text{NH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)\text{HCl}$.

Reaction of 2 with HOSO_2CF_3 to yield $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OTf})$, $\text{NH}_2(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)$ and CO_2 . Reaction of $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p))$ with a triflic acid (HOSO_2CF_3) in d_6 -benzene generated $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OTf})$ and $(\text{NH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)\text{HOSO}_2\text{CF}_3$.

Reaction of 2 with MeI to yield $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)\text{I}$ and $\text{MeOC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)$. Reaction of $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)(\text{OC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p))$ and MeI in d_6 -benzene generated $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)\text{I}$ and $\text{MeOC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)$, which were identified by NMR and GC/MS spectroscopy. For $\text{Pd}(2,6\text{-}(\text{Ph}_2\text{PCH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_3)\text{I}$: $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (d_6 -benzene) δ 3.62 t (4H, CH_2), δ 7.1-7.8 m (23H, Ph). $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ -NMR (C_6D_6) δ 37.3 s. For $\text{MeOC}(\text{O})\text{NH}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{Me-}p)$: GC/MS: m/z 165, 133, 120, 106, 77.

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