



# Steps/Stages

- 1.1 R:(Me<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>NH •Li, R:(EtO)<sub>2</sub>P(=O)Cl, S:THF, 0°C; 10 min, 0°C; 20 h, rt
- 1.2 R:NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, S:H<sub>2</sub>O

#### Notes

double elimination, 94% yield over 2 steps from 10-bromo-9-anthracenecarbaldehyde, alternative preparation shown, Reactants: 2, Reagents: 3, Solvents: 2, Steps: 1, Stages: 2, Most stages in any one step: 2

98%

#### References

#### Efficient synthesis of 9,10bis(phenylethynyl)anthracene derivatives by integration of sonogashira coupling and double-elimination reactions

By Toyota, Shinji et al From Synthesis, 45(8), 1060-1068; 2013

## **Experimental Procedure**

General/Typical Procedure: To a soln of 5 (114 mg, 0.40 mmol), benzyl phenyl sulfone (7a) (112 mg, 0.48 mmol), and DECP (70  $\mu$ L, 0.48 mmol) in anhyd THF (12 mL) was slowly added the LiHMDS soln (2.0 mL, 2.0 mmol) with a syringe at 0 °C under argon. This solution was stirred at 0 °C for 10 min, and then at r.t. for 20 h (reaction mixture B). The reaction was quenched with aq NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (12 mL), and the organic materials were extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic solution was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. The residue was recrystallized (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>). 9,10-Bis(phenylethynyl)anthracene (1a). This compound was synthesized by DE with 8a (123 mg, 0.40 mmol) and 7a (112 mg, 0.48 mmol) according to the typical procedure. The formed solid was collected by filtration, washed with water, and dried. Recrystallization (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>) gave the desired product. Yield: 148 mg (98%). mp 242-248 °C (dec) (Lit. 257-258 °C, Lit. 253 °C, Lit. 249-250 °C). This sample slowly decomposed >240 °C and showed a sharp endothermic peak at 258 °C on DTA measurement. R<sub>f</sub> = 0.41 (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 4:1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.40-7.48 (m, 6 H), 7.66 (m, 4 H), 7.78 (dd, *J*= 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 8.70 (m, 4 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 86.4, 102.4, 118.5, 123.3, 126.8, 127.2, 128.6, 128.7, 131.7, 132.1. UV/Vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\lambda_{max}$  ( $\varepsilon$ ) = 275 (105000), 313 (43300), 439 (38900), 464 nm (41000). FL (CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\lambda_{max}$  = 475, 506 nm ( $\lambda_{max}$  458 nm,  $\Phi_f$  0.81,  $\tau_f$  2.5 ns).

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Overview

## Steps/Stages

1.1 R:Et<sub>3</sub>N, C:Cul, C:PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, S:THF, 2 h, 70°C

## Notes

84% yield over 2 steps from 10-bromo-9anthracenecarbaldehyde, Sonogashira coupling, alternative preparation shown, Reactants: 2, Reagents: 1, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

93%

# References

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## **Experimental Procedure**

10-(Phenylethynyl)-9-anthracenecarbaldehyde (8a); Typical Procedure for SC. To a soln of 10-bromo-9-anthracenecarbaldehyde (5) (114 mg, 0.40 mmol) and phenylethyne (6a) (49 mg, 0.48 mmol) in a degassed mixture of anhyd THF (8 mL) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (8 mL) were added[PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (11 mg, 16 µmol) and Cul (6.1 mg, 32 µmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h under argon (reaction mixture A). The solvent was removed, and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 10:1). The same compound was also synthesized by SC with 9a (143 mg, 0.40 mmol) and 6a (49 mg, 0.48 mmol) by the typical procedure. Chromatographic purification (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 10:1) gave 1a; yield: 141 mg (93%).

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90%

# Overview

# Steps/Stages

- 1.1 R:Et<sub>3</sub>N, C:Cul, C:PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, S:THF, 2 h, 70°C
- 1.2 R:(Me<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>NH •Li, R:(EtO)<sub>2</sub>P(=O)Cl, S:THF, 0°C; 10 min, 0°C; 20 h, rt
- 1.3 R:NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, S:H<sub>2</sub>O

## Notes

double elimination (stage 2), alternative reaction conditions gave lower yield, alternative preparation shown, Sonogashira coupling (stage 1), Reactants: 3, Reagents: 4, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 2, Steps: 1, Stages: 3, Most stages in any one step: 3

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#### Steps/Stages

1.1 R:*i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>NH, C:Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, C:Cul, S:THF, 4.5 h, 80°C

#### Notes

Sonogashira coupling, sealed flask used, Reactants: 2, Reagents: 1, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

84%

#### References

# Why Triple Bonds Protect Acenes from Oxidation and Decomposition

By Fudickar, Werner and Linker, Torsten From Journal of the American Chemical Society, 134(36), 15071-15082; 2012

#### **Experimental Procedure**

## Synthesis of arylalkynylanthracenes 1a-e: General procedure for the syntheses of

**arylalkynylanthracenes 1a-c.** METHOD A: Dibromoanthracene (336 mg, 1 mmol),  $[Pd(PPh_3)_2Cl_2]$  (60 mg, 0.08 mmol) and Cul (100 mg, 0.52 mmol) were placed in a round bottom flask and dissolved in dry THF (8 mL) and dry  $IPr_2NH$  (8 mL). After degassing by three freeze-pump-thaw cycles the flask was filled with argon and sealed with a septum. At 80 °C the arylacetylene (2.1 mmol) was added neat *via* syringe pump over a period of 4.5 h. Thereafter, the solvent was evaporated and the residue was suspended in methanol. The precipitate was filtered and the residue was dissolved in hot CHCl<sub>3</sub>. After hot filtration the product precipitated upon cooling. **9,10-Bis(phenylethynyl)anthracene (1a)**, yield 315 mg, 84%, orange crystals. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 7.41-7.51(6H, m, ArH-3, ArH-4, ArH-5), 7.66 (4H, dd, *J*=3.2 Hz, 5.6 Hz, H-2, H-3, H-6, H-7), 7.83 (4H, dd, *J*=6.1 Hz, 7.9 Hz, ArH-2, ArH-6), 8.71 (4H, dd, *J*=3.2 Hz, 5.6 Hz, H-1, H-4, H-5, H-8). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (60 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$ (s, AlkynylC-2), 102.4 (s, AlkynylC-1), 118.5 (s, C-9, C-10), 123.4 (s, ArC-1), 126.8 (d, C-2, C-3, C-6, C-7), 127.2 (d, C-1, C-4, C-5, C-8), 128.5 (d, ArC-3, ArC-5), 128.6 (d, ArC-4), 131.7 (d, ArC-2, ArC-6), 132.1 (s, C-11, C-12, C-13, C-14). Mp 263 °C. IR (cm<sup>-1</sup>, ATR): v = 2962, 2196, 1672, 1594, 1451, 1400, 1331, 1305, 1281, 1255. MS (EI): 378 [M+]. Elemental analysis calcd (%) for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>18</sub> (378.47): C 95.21, H 4.79; found: C 94.96, H 4

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## Overview

#### Steps/Stages

1.1 R:SnCl<sub>2</sub>

#### Notes

Reactants: 1, Reagents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

# References

#### Synthesis of derivatives of 9,10bis(phenylethynyl)anthracene

By Kutikova, G. A. et al

From Sbornik Nauchnykh Trudov -Vsesoyuznyi Nauchno-Issledovatel'skii Institut Lyuminoforov i Osobo Chistykh Veshchestv, 28, 86-92; 1985

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# 6. Single Step



Overview

Steps/Stages

sealed flask used, syringe pump used, Sonogashira reaction, Reactants: 2, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 2, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

# References

Reversible Photooxygenation of Alkynylanthracenes: Chemical Generation of Singlet Oxygen under Very Mild Conditions

By Fudickar, Werner and Linker, Torsten From Chemistry - A European Journal, 17(49), 13661-13664, S13661/1-S13661/24; 2011

## **Reaction Protocol**

- Procedure
- 1. Place dibromoanthracene (336 mg, 1 mmol), [Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>] (60 mg, 0.08 mmol) and Cul (100 mg, 0.52 mmol) in a round bottom flask.
- 2. Dissolve the mixture in dry THF (8 mL) and dry iPr<sub>2</sub>NH (8 mL).

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## 7. Single Step



Overview Steps/Stages

Reactants: 2, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

#### References

Palladium-catalyzed arylation of polar organometallics mediated by 9-methoxy-9borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane: Suzuki reactions of extended scope

By Fuerstner, Alois and Seidel, Guenter From Tetrahedron, 51(41), 11165-76; 1995

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#### 8. Single Step



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#### Overview

#### Steps/Stages

1.1 R:HI, S:H<sub>2</sub>O, S:Et<sub>2</sub>O

## Notes

Classification: Aromatisation; Dehydroxylation; # Conditions: HI H2O Et2O; 20 s, Reactants: 1, Reagents: 1, Solvents: 2, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

#### References

A study of transannular rearrangements in the 9,10-bis-(phenylethynyl)anthracene series

By Rio, Guy

From Ann. chim. (Paris), 9, 182-255; 1954

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# Steps/Stages

- 1.1 S:THF, -78°C; 5 h, cooled
- 1.2 R:NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, S:H<sub>2</sub>O
- 1.3 R:SnCl<sub>2</sub> •2H<sub>2</sub>O, S:THF, 30 min

# Notes

regioselective, excess lithium acetylide used, Reactants: 2, Reagents: 2, Solvents: 2, Steps: 1, Stages: 3, Most stages in any one step: 3

## References

Synthesis and characterization of solution processable 6,11-dialkynyl substituted indeno[1,2-b]anthracenes

By Yucel, Baris et al From Dyes and Pigments, 100, 104-117; 2014

# **Reaction Protocol**

Procedure 1. Add n-BuLi (4.20 mL of a 1.6 M of hexane solution, 6.72 mmol, 2.8 eq.) to a solution of phenylacetylene (0.86 g, 8.40 mmol, 3.5 eq.) in THF (15 mL) Cool to -78°C dropwise. 2. Allow the solution to stir for 30 min.

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#### Steps/Stages

- 1.1 R:BuLi, S:THF, S:Me(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>Me, -78°C; 10 min, -78°C; -78°C  $\rightarrow$  rt
- 1.2 R:InCl<sub>3</sub>, S:THF, -78°C; 30 min, -78°C; 30 min, -78°C  $\rightarrow$  rt
- 1.3 C:72287-26-4, S:THF, 24 h, 70°C; 70°C  $\rightarrow$  rt
- 1.4 R:NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, S:H<sub>2</sub>O, rt

#### Notes

Reactants: 2, Reagents: 3, Catalysts: 1, Solvents: 3, Steps: 1, Stages: 4, Most stages in any one step: 4

## References

Palladium-Catalyzed Multialkynyl Cross-Coupling Reactions with Tetraalkynylindates

By Kang, Dongjin et al

From European Journal of Organic Chemistry, (12), 2330-2336; 2010

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# 11. Single Step



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Overview

Steps/Stages

Reactants: 1, Reagents: 2, Solvents: 2, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

#### References

A simple "palladium-free" synthesis of phenyleneethynylene-based molecular materials revisited

By Lydon, Donocadh P. et al

From New Journal of Chemistry, 29(7), 972-976; 2005

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12. Single Step



#### Overview

#### Steps/Stages

1.1 S:Dioxane

1.2 R:SnCl<sub>2</sub>

#### Notes

Reactants: 2, Reagents: 1, Solvents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 2, Most stages in any one step: 2

#### References

Preparation of 9,10bis(phenylethynyl)anthracene and its chloro derivatives

By Krasovitskij, B. M. et al From U.S.S.R., 1031103, 28 Feb 1993

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#### 13. 2 Steps



# Steps/Stages

- 1.1 R:Et<sub>3</sub>N, C:Cul, C:PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, S:THF, 2 h, 70°C
- 2.1 R:(Me<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>NH •Li, R:(EtO)<sub>2</sub>P(=O)Cl, S:THF, 0°C; 10 min, 0°C; 20 h, rt
- 2.2 R:NH<sub>4</sub>CI, S:H<sub>2</sub>O

#### Notes

1) Sonogashira coupling, 2) double elimination, 94% yield over 2 steps from 10bromo-9-anthracenecarbaldehyde, alternative preparation shown, Reactants: 3, Reagents: 4, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 2, Steps: 2, Stages: 3, Most stages in any one step: 2

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#### Step 2

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Slowly decomposed >240° C and showed a sharp endotrienting peak at 250° C on D 17 measurement.  $R_f = 0.41$  (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 4:1). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 7.40-7.48$  (m, 6 H), 7.66 (m, 4 H), 7.78 (dd, *J*= 1.6, 8.0 Hz, 4 H), 8.70 (m, 4 H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 86.4$ , 102.4, 118.5, 123.3, 126.8, 127.2, 128.6, 128.7, 131.7, 132.1. UV/Vis (CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\lambda_{max}$  (ε) = 275 (105000), 313 (43300), 439 (38900), 464 nm (41000). FL (CHCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\lambda_{max} = 475$ , 506 nm ( $\lambda_{max}$  458 nm,  $\Phi_f$  0.81,  $\tau_f$  2.5 ns).

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#### 14. 2 Steps



[Step 2.1]



Overview Steps/Stages

- 1.1 R:(Me<sub>3</sub>Si)<sub>2</sub>NH •Li, R:(EtO)<sub>2</sub>P(=O)Cl, S:THF, 0°C; 10 min, 0°C; 20 h, rt
- 1.2 R:NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, S:H<sub>2</sub>O
- 2.1 R:Et<sub>3</sub>N, C:Cul, C:PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, S:THF, 2 h, 70°C

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# Experimental Procedure

#### Step 1

To a soln of 5 (114 mg, 0.40 mmol), benzyl phenyl sulfone (7a) (112 mg, 0.48 mmol), and DECP (70  $\mu$ L, 0.48 mmol) in anhyd THF (12 mL) was slowly added the LiHMDS soln (2.0 mL, 2.0 mmol) with a syringe at 0 °C under argon. This solution was stirred at 0 °C for 10 min, and then at r.t. for 20 h (reaction mixture B). The reaction was quenched with aq NH<sub>4</sub>Cl (12 mL), and the organic materials were extracted with CHCl<sub>3</sub> (3 × 20 mL). The combined organic solution was dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. The residue was recrystallized (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>). One-Pot Synthesis of 1b. This reaction was carried out with reaction mixture A and 7b (118 mg, 0.48 mmol). The crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 10:1) to give the pure product; yield: 141 mg (90%).

#### Step 2

10-(Phenylethynyl)-9-anthracenecarbaldehyde (8a); Typical Procedure for SC. To a soln of 10-bromo-9-anthracenecarbaldehyde (5) (114 mg, 0.40 mmol) and phenylethyne (6a) (49 mg, 0.48 mmol) in a degassed mixture of anhyd THF (8 mL) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (8 mL) were added[PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>] (11 mg, 16 µmol) and Cul (6.1 mg, 32 µmol). The reaction mixture was stirred at 70 °C for 2 h under argon (reaction mixture A). The solvent was removed, and the crude product was purified by chromatography on silica gel (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 10:1). The same compound was also synthesized by SC with 9a (143 mg, 0.40 mmol) and 6a (49 mg, 0.48 mmol) by the typical procedure. Chromatographic purification (hexane-CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 10:1) gave 1a; yield: 141 mg (93%).

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## 15. 2 Steps



# Overview Steps/Stages

- 1.2 S:THF, -70°C  $\rightarrow$  rt; overnight, rt
- 1.3 R:NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, S:H<sub>2</sub>O, 0°C
- 2.1 R:SnCl<sub>2</sub> •2H<sub>2</sub>O, R:AcOH, S:H<sub>2</sub>O, S:EtOH, 10 min, 60°C

Reactants: 2, Reagents: 4, Solvents: 3, Steps: 2, Stages: 4, Most stages in any one step: 3

#### References

A simple "palladium-free" synthesis of phenyleneethynylene-based molecular materials revisited

By Lydon, Donocadh P. et al

From New Journal of Chemistry, 29(7), 972-976; 2005

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#### **Overview**

#### Steps/Stages

1.1 C:EtMgI

2.1 R:SnCl<sub>2</sub>

#### Notes

Reactants: 2, Reagents: 1, Catalysts: 1, Steps: 2, Stages: 2, Most stages in any one step: 1

#### References

#### Synthesis of derivatives of 9,10bis(phenylethynyl)anthracene

By Kutikova, G. A. et al

From Sbornik Nauchnykh Trudov -Vsesoyuznyi Nauchno-Issledovatel'skii Institut Lyuminoforov i Osobo Chistykh Veshchestv, 28, 86-92; 1985

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# Overview

# Steps/Stages

1.1 C:Pd acetylacetonate, C:PPh<sub>3</sub>, S:THF

## Notes

Reactants: 2, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

## References

Cross-coupling of magnesium diacetylides with organic halides catalyzed by transition metal complexes

By Dzhemilev, U. M. et al

From Izvestiya Akademii Nauk SSSR, Seriya Khimicheskaya, (9), 2037-41; 1987

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# Overview

## Steps/Stages

1.1 R:*i*-Pr<sub>2</sub>NH, C:Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, C:Cul, S:PhMe, 17 h, 80°C

## Notes

Sonogashira coupling, Reactants: 2, Reagents: 1, Catalysts: 2, Solvents: 1, Steps: 1, Stages: 1, Most stages in any one step: 1

## References

De novo design for functional amorphous materials: Synthesis and thermal and lightemitting properties of twisted anthracenefunctionalized bimesitylenes

By Moorthy, Jarugu Narasimha et al

From Journal of the American Chemical Society, 130(51), 17320-17333; 2008

#### **Experimental Procedure**

**9-Bromo-10-phenylethynylanthracene (17).** <sup>2</sup> Yield 48%; mp 169-170 °C; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.45(m, 3H), 7.63 (m, 4H), 7.77 (m, 2H), 8.57 (m, 2H), 8.69 (m, 2H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  85.9, 101.7, 118.2, 123.3, 124.1, 126.8, 127.2, 127.4, 128.2, 128.5, 128.7, 130.2, 131.6, 132.9.

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