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# Palladium nanoparticles in polyols: synthesis, catalytic couplings and hydrogenations

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## Table S1. Summary table of monometallic Pd-based NPs synthesis in polyols.

Reaction conditions	Size	Morphology and structure	Ref. <sup>a</sup>
PdCl <sub>2</sub> , H <sub>2</sub> O, EG 100 °C, 1 h	6.0±0.5 nm	Spherical with monoalkoxide	40
		species at the surface	
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, EG (M <sub>w</sub> =55000 g.mol <sup>-1</sup> ), 110	10 nm	Uniform cubooctahedral	41
°C in air, 8 h			
$H_2PdCl_4$ (prepared from PdCl <sub>2</sub> and HCl <sub>aq</sub> .), PVP	5 to 17 nm	Icosahedra	43
EG, 160 °C, 3 h			
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub> , DEG, 105 °C, 3 h	5-15 nm	Decahedra	44
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , HCl <sub>aq.</sub> , PVP, DEG, 105 °C, 3 h	6-25 nm	Icosahedra	44
$Na_2PdCl_4$ , PVP (M <sub>w</sub> =55000 g.mol <sup>-1</sup> ), EG or	6 nm	Truncated octahedral EG	45
DEG, 140 °C, 3 h		or icosahedra DEG	
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , NaCl <sub>aq.</sub> , EG, PVP, (M <sub>w</sub> =360000	tailored	Icosahedral	46
g.mol <sup>-1</sup> ), in air, 120 °C, 48 h	15-42 nm		
PdCl <sub>2</sub> or Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub>	10-20 nm	Spherical	47
AgNO <sub>3</sub> or, $FeCI_3$ and Nal used to control the			
size and shape HCI, EG, 160°C, 1 h, PVP Mw=			
50,000			
2 solutions of Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> in EG and PVP in EG	Without additives, mean	Without additives, spherical.	48
stirred for 2 h. Then both solutions were	diameter ca. 5-8 nm.		

periodically added and mixed each 30 s for 5	With additives, different	With additives, different	
min at 160°C.	sizes were observed:	morphologies were observed:	
Studies on the effect of additives AgNO <sub>3</sub> with	1- 5-8 nm	1- spheres	
different concentrations FeCl <sub>3</sub> and Nal	2- 20 nm	2- cubes	
	3- 22 nm	3- tetrahedrons	
	4- 24 nm	4- octahedrons	
	5- 8-14 nm	5- nanorods	
H <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP (Pd/PVP=1:10), EG, 190 °C, 2 h	3.2-53. nm	Spherical Pd NPs	49
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , PVP (Pd/PVP=1:3.5), EG 160°C, 1 h	100 nm length	Nanochains	50
	8.5 nm diameter		
K <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP (Pd/PVP=1:100, EG, 90°C, 2 h,	2.6±0.3 nm).	Quasi-spherical	51
in air			
$K_2$ [PdCl <sub>4</sub> ], PVP, EG (11.5 mmol.h <sup>-1</sup> mixing rate),	No size description	Pd small cuboctahedra under	52
then 150 °C both under conventional heating		microwave irradiation	
(30 min) or under microwave irradiation (55 s).		Pd NPs rice-shaped particles	
H <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> /CTAB/PVP (1:4:4), TEG, microwave	23.8 nm	Nanocubes and nanobars	53
(900 W), 80 s			
Aqueous solutions of CTAB and H <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> were	Average aspect ratios of 7.8	Nanorods	54
added to PVP/EG at 150 °C, 30 min	(length, 18.3±1.6		

	nm; width, 2.5±0.3 nm) and		
	2.5 (length, 6.5±0.7 nm;		
	width,		
	2.7±0.3 nm),		
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , HCl <sub>aq.</sub> , PVP (Pd/PVP=1:5), EG, rt,	triangular nanoplates of 28	Triangular (majority) and	55
addition of FeCl <sub>3</sub> /EG solution at 85 °C, 4.5 h in	nm in edge length	hexagonal nanoplates,	
air		cubooctahedral and twinned	
		nanoparticles	
Aqueous solutions of PdCl <sub>2</sub> 2NaCl.3H <sub>2</sub> O	5 nm (Tween20)	Spherical	57
poly(oxyethylene(20)sorbitan monolaurate)	14 nm (PEG40-MS)		
(Tween20), or poly(ethylene(40)glycol			
monostearate) as stabilizers			
10 min sonication, rt			
PdCl <sub>2</sub> , HCl, PVP/EG or PVP/glycerol;		Pd NPs nearly spherical in shape	56
[Metal]=10 mM		(i.e., cuboctahedra and	
- microwave irradiation at 198 °C for EG and	11 nm (EG)	icosahedra)	
250 °C for glycerol, 10-15 min	11 nm (Glycerol)		
- microwave irradiation (700 W), 10 min	10 nm (EG)		
	10 nm (Glycerol)		
- microwave irradiation under continuous-flow	6.7 nm (EG)		
(1 mL/min), 198 °C for EG			

Pd(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> , PVP, EG	3-6 nm	Spherical	58
ultrasonic irradiation (50 kHz), 180 min			
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> (5 and 50 mM aq. solutions), glycerol	4.9±1.6 nm	Spherical	65
monooleate (70 and 60 wt%), rt, 24 h			
Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> (aq. solution), PVP (M <sub>w</sub> =29000 g.mol <sup>-</sup>	59.8 nm for 46.0%,	Pd NPs triangular	66
<sup>1</sup> ), glycerol, 100 °C, 3 h	68.4 nm for 21.6%, and	hexagonal plate, and	
Supported on carbon black (Vulcan XC-72),	57.5 nm for 32.4%	decahedron.	
adjusted pH 2			
$PdCl_2$ , PVP (M <sub>w</sub> =55,000 g.mol <sup>-1</sup> , 0.045 M),	9.6 nm for Pd NPs and 2 nm	Spherical under conventional	67
glycerol, 290 °C, from 2 min to 1h under	under microwave irradiation	heating	
microwave irradiation		Triangular nanoprisms under	
		microwave irradiation	
PdCl <sub>2</sub> , CTAB <sub>aq.</sub> , PVP or SDS, glycerol, 100 °C,	5-15 nm (PVP)	Spherical	68
2 min under microwave irradiation and a	3−5 nm (CTAB)		
maximum pressure of 280 psi.			
Synthesis within Liposomal Nanoreactors:	(5% glycerol)	Amorphous without a well-	69
PdCl <sub>2</sub> , NaCl, PBS (pH 7.4), glycerol lipid	14±7 nm;	defined shape	
formulations (DPPC, DPPG, DOPE, or DOPG),	(10% glycerol) 4±1, and		
25 °C, 24 h, under Ar	7±2 nm		
	(20% glycerol) 3±1 nm		
Solution-Based Synthesis:	Citrate	Triangular- and decahedron	69
	DOPG liposomes	shaped	

PdCl <sub>2</sub> , sodium citrate or NaBH <sub>4</sub> , PBS (pH 7.4),	11±4 nm	
glycerol, 25 °C, 24 h in a temperature-controlled		
shaker (400 rpm)	NaBH₄	Heterogeneous population
	DOPG liposomes,	
	5±2 nm	
	Glycerol	Spherical
	DPPC liposomes,	
	16±2 nm	
	Glycerol	Irregular shapes
	DPPG liposomes,	
	4 ± 2, 16 ± 6 nm	
	Glycerol	Irregular shapes
	DOPE liposomes	
	9 ± 3 nm	
	Glycerol	Spherical
	DOPG liposomes	
	2.6 ± 0.7 nm	

$\label{eq:code} \begin{tabular}{lllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllllll$	4.1±1.4 nm Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Spherical for [PdCl <sub>2</sub> (cod)] and	74
[Pd <sub>2</sub> (dba) <sub>3</sub> ]; TPPTS (Pd/TPPTS 1:1), glycerol,	3.5±1.3 nm	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	
80 °C overnight under $H_2$ (3 bar)	[PdCl <sub>2</sub> (COD)]	Irregular shapes with	
		[Pd(ma)(nbd)] and [Pd <sub>2</sub> (dba) <sub>3</sub> ]	
Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> or [PdCl <sub>2</sub> (COD)], N-alkylated PTA-	3.2±0.8 nm	Well-dispersed spherical NPs for	76
based ligands (Pd/L 1:1), 60 °C, overnight		N-benzyl PTA ligand with	
under H <sub>2</sub> (3 bar)		[PdCl <sub>2</sub> (COD)]	
$[PdCl_2(COD)], Pd(OAc)_2 or [Pd_2(dba)_3];$	2.1±0.6 nm	Spherical in all cases	79
cinchonidine, cinchonine, quinine or quinidine;	cinchonidine/Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>		
glycerol, 80 °C, 18 h, H <sub>2</sub> (3 bar)	1.4±0.3 nm quinidine/		
	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>		
	1.6±0.3 nm quinidine/		
	[PdCl <sub>2</sub> (COD)]		
	1.5±0.3 nm cinchonidine		
	/[Pd <sub>2</sub> (dba) <sub>3</sub> ]		

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Pd-	Reaction conditions	Size	Morphology and structure	Ref. <sup>a</sup>
based				
NPs				
AgPd	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , Pd(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> , PVP (M <sub>w</sub> =10000 g.mol <sup>-1</sup> ),	7 nm Ag <sub>70</sub> Pd <sub>30</sub>	AgPd alloy, quasi-spherical	89
	EG 120°C, 4h		shape	
AuPd	$PdCl_2$ and $HAuCl_4$ , EG, 1 h under $N_2$ and	Pd shell 3 nm, and	(Au)core–(Pd)shell	90
	microwave irradiation (900 W, cycling mode:	Au core 9 nm.	Spherical particles	
	21 s on, 9 s off)			
AuPd	Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> (5·10 <sup>-4</sup> mol/L), NaAuCl <sub>4</sub> (5·10 <sup>-4</sup>	15 nm AuPd NPs	(Au)core–(Pd)shell	91
	mol/L), PVP (0.1 wt%), EG or glycerol (2%			
	water content) 1h, in air under microwave			
	irradiation (800 W, cycling mode: 15 s on, 5			
	s off)			
AuPd	PdCl <sub>2</sub> and PVP, EG, 140 °C in air until	NPs <5 nm	AuPd NPs alloy.	93
	change of color. Then HAuCl <sub>4</sub> addition (aq.			
	solution), 140 °C, 3 h in air	NPs > 5nm	Core: AuPd NPs alloy	
			intermediate layer Au rich,	
			and a third (surface) layer Pd-	
			rich	
AgPd	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , Pd(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> , EG-H <sub>2</sub> O, 190°C, 2 h in air	5.5 nm	Pd–Ag alloy Pd:Ag of ca. 3:1	96

## Table S2. Summary table of polymetallic Pd-based NPs synthesis in polyols.

AgPd	Addition of PdCl <sub>2</sub> , hexadecylamine,	20.6±1.0 nm	AgPd alloy cuboctahedral	97
	dioctylether to AgNO <sub>3</sub> , tri- <i>n</i> -octylphosphine		structure	
	in DEG or glycerol, 200 °C, 2 h			
AgPd	AgNO <sub>3</sub> , PVP, EG, 160 °C, 2 h. Then, slow	9.2 nm	AgPd alloy structure	98
	addition of K <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, EG, 2 h			
PtPd	PdCl <sub>2</sub> and K <sub>2</sub> PtCl <sub>4</sub> , EG, 197 °C, 3 h in air	6±2 nm	Pd <sub>20</sub> Pt <sub>80</sub>	99
		7±2 nm	$Pd_{40}Pt_{60}$	
		agglomerates	$Pd_{60}Pt_{40}$	
		agglomerates	Pd <sub>80</sub> Pt <sub>20</sub>	
			For <40 atomic% of Pd, Pd	
			atoms are covered by Pt and,	
			as such, cannot form surface	
			oxides. This suggests Pt	
			surface segregation.	
PtPd	H <sub>2</sub> PtCl <sub>6</sub> , AgNO <sub>3</sub> , PVP, 160°C, 15 min.	10–16 nm	PtPd NPs polyhedral	101
	To the previous solution of preformed	10–25 nm	Pt(core)–Pd(shell) NPs	
	PtNPs, addition of AgNO <sub>3</sub> in EG at 160 °C,	Pd shell 1–3.5 nm		
	followed by Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP (slow addition),			
	then 300 °C, 15 min.			
PtPd	H <sub>2</sub> PtCl <sub>6</sub> , AgNO <sub>3</sub> , PVP (Pt/PVP 2:1), 160 °C,	15–25 nm	Pt(core)-Pd(shell) NPs with	102,103
	15 min under Ar.	thickness of the Pd	truncated polyhedral	
		<4 nm	morphologies	

	To the previous solution of preformed			
	PtNPs, addition of Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, 160 °C,			
	15 min, slow addition.			
PtPd	H <sub>2</sub> PtCl <sub>6</sub> , AgNO <sub>3</sub> , PVP (Pt/PVP 2:1), 160 °C,	13.5 nm, 8.5	Pt(core)-Pd(shell) NPs with	104
	20 min.	nm(core) 2.5 nm	polyhedral morphology.	
	To the previous solution of preformed	(shell)		
	PtNPs, addition of K <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, 160 °C,			
	20 min, slow addition, then 285 °C, 15 min			
PtPd	Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP (15 wt%), EG, 200 °C, 6 s	6.5 ±0.6 nm Pd NPs	Spherical, Pd@Pt core-shell	105
	under microwave irradiation in flow	6.5 ± 0.6 nm Pd@Pt	NPs	
	Preformed Pd NPs then mixed with	core-shell NPs		
	$H_2[PtCl_6].6H_2O$ (Pd/Pt 3:1) in EG at pH 12	Pt shell		
	(NaOH <sub>aq.</sub> ), rt, 6–72 h	thickness ca. 0.25		
		nm.		
PtPd	Addition of $H_2PtCl_6 \cdot 6H_2O/PVP$ in EG to a		All cluster in cluster structure in	106
	solution of PdCl <sub>2</sub> in HCl <sub>aq</sub> at 198 °C (in EG)		EG	
	and 250 °C (in glycerol) under microwave			
	irradiation:			
	- Multimode 700 W, 2-3 min; then kept 10	Pt/Pd (1:1)	Spherical	
	min	6.2 nm (EG)	Spherical	
		9.3 nm (glycerol)		

	- Single-Mode 300 W, 2-3 min; then kept 10	Pt/Pd (1:1) 5-9 nm	Spherical-like cubic	
	min	(EG)		
	- Single-Mode in continuous flow	Pt/Pd (1:1) 5.9 nm	Spherical-like cubic	
		(EG)		
RuPd,	Ru(core)Pd(shell): RuCl <sub>3</sub> , Pd metal powder	Ru(core)Pd(shell):	Ru(core)Pd(shell) and <sup>107</sup>	
PtRuPd	in HNO <sub>3</sub> , PVP, EG, 160 °C, 2 h	mean diameter ca. 3	Pt/Ru(core)-Pd(shell)	
	Pt/Ru(core)Pd(shell): Ru(core)Pd(shell),	nm	nanoparticles	
	H <sub>2</sub> PtCl <sub>6</sub> , PVP, EG	Pt/Ru(core)Pd(shell):		
		mean diameter ca.		
		3.6 nm		
PdRu	RuCl <sub>3</sub> , K <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , TrEG, PVP, 200 °C, 40 min	Mean diameters in	PdRu alloys exhibiting <sup>108</sup>	
		the range 6-10 nm.	spherical nanoparticles, with	
		Ru-rich NPs	both fcc and hcp phases	
		exhibited non-	coexisting in a single particle.	
		spherical NPs	Ru-rich NPs exhibited non-	
			spherical morphology	
PdRu	RuCl <sub>3</sub> , Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, TrEG, 200 °C, 40	Mean diameters in	PdRu alloys exhibiting <sup>109</sup>	
	min	the range 6-17 nm	spherical nanoparticles	
PdRu	RuCl <sub>3</sub> , Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, TrEG, 200 °C	Mean diameters in	PdRu alloys exhibiting <sup>110</sup>	
		the range 6-16 nm	spherical nanoparticles	

PdRu	RuCl <sub>3</sub> , Na <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>4</sub> , PVP, TrEG, 200 °C, flow	Mean diameter ca.	PdRu alloys exhibiting	111
	and semi-batch syntheses	10 nm	spherical nanoparticles	
BiPd	PdCl <sub>2</sub> , Bi(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> , NaBH <sub>4</sub> , PVP, TEG, 280 °C,	40-60 nm	Cube-shaped Bi <sub>2</sub> Pd (and	112
	3 h		Bi <sub>2</sub> PdO <sub>4</sub> )	
PdBiX (X	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , Bi(NO <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> , EG, thiosemicarbazide,	$Pd_{3}Bi_{2}S_{2}$ and	Spherical $Pd_3Bi_2X_2$ NPs (X = S	113
= S or	220 °C, 20 min under microwave irradiation	Pd <sub>3</sub> Bi <sub>2</sub> Se <sub>2</sub> : ca. 50 nm	or Se)	
Se)				
FePd	Pd(acac) <sub>2</sub> , Fe(CO) <sub>5</sub> , 1,2-hexadecanediol, n-	11 - 16 nm	Spherical NPs	115
	adamantane carboxylic acid and			
	tributylphosphine as stabilizers, 120-180 °C,			
	30-60 min			
FePd	$Pd(acac)_2$ , $Fe(CO)_5$ , 1,2-hexadecanediol,	ca. 8.4 nm	Spherical NPs	116
	oleic acid and oleyl amine as capping			
	agents, 259 °C, 10 min, and further			
	annealing at 600 °C			
FePd	Fe(acac) <sub>3</sub> , Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , oleic acid/oleylamine	5.3 ±1.1 nm	nearly spherical FePd alloy.	117
	(1:1), EG (deoxygenated), 200 °C, 1h under			
	N <sub>2</sub>			
FePd	Pd(acac) <sub>2</sub> , 1,2-hexadecanediol, oleic acid,	For Pd/Fe ratio	multi-twinned structures in	118
	oleylamine, or dodecanethiol in benzyl ether	(1.4:1) to (5:1), 4-8	several samples	
	or toluene 100-120 °C, 30 min under Ar.	nm		

	Then Fe(CO) <sub>5</sub> addition, 120 or 300 °C, 30			
	min			
Pd, PdCo	- PdCl <sub>2</sub> , PVP, NH <sub>3</sub> aq., EG, 140 °C, a few	7-10 nm	Spherical NPs	120
	min	4-6 nm inner core	Spherical NPs with core-shell	
	- PdCl <sub>2</sub> , Co(acac) <sub>2</sub> , PVP, EG, 120 °C, 30	2-6 nm outer shell	morphology	
	min. Then NaOH, 180 °C, 10 min			
NiPd	$Pd(OAc)_2$ in dioxane added to $NiSO_4 \cdot 7H_2O$ ,	1.5-2.3 nm	Spherical NPs, random alloy	121,122
	PVP, EG at 80 °C. Then NaOH <sub>aq</sub> addition	Ni/Pd(2/3)		
	(pH 9-11), 197 °C for 15 min and reflux for 3	nanoclusters: 1.9	Spherical NPs, NiPd	
	h under N <sub>2</sub>	±0.27 nm	nanoalloys	
		20-30 nm		
NiPd	Ni(acac) <sub>2</sub> , (NH <sub>4</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>6</sub> , TTAB (15:1, 30:1,	Cube length 9–11nm	Nanocubes and nanorods	123
	50:1), PVP, 1,5-pentanediol, 140 °C, 160 °C,		Ni1Pd3 NPs and polyhedral Pd	
	or 180 °C, 20 min		NPs only	
CuPd	$CuSO_4$ ·5H <sub>2</sub> O, PVP in EG, H <sub>2</sub> PdCl <sub>6</sub> in	1.7-2.3 nm CuPt NPs	Cu3Pd alloy cluster with	124
	dioxane addition (pH 10, NaOH <sub>aq.</sub> addition)	1.0-1.3 CuPd NPs	spherical shape	
	at 0-5 °C; then 198 °C, 3 h under $N_2$			
CuPd	$CuSO_4$ ·5H <sub>2</sub> O, PVP in EG, Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> in	2.5-7.0 nm,	Irregular shape consisting in	125
	dioxane addition (pH 10, NaOH <sub>aq.</sub> addition)	Cu95Pd5	multiple smallerparticles	
	at 0-5 °C; then 198 °C, 3 h under $N_2$	5.0-10.0 nm	("microclusters") in an	
		Cu90Pd10	aggregated state.	

		5.0-12.5nm	Spherical CuPd alloy	
		Cu85Pd15		
		5.6 ±1.5 nm		
		Cu/Pd(4/1)		
CuPd	$[Cu(TMEDA)(\mu-OH)]_2Cl_2$ , mesitylcopper(I),	With CuTMEDA and		126
	or $Cu(OAc)_2$ and $Pd(OAc)_2$ , $Pd_2(dba)_3$ , or	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>		
	[PdCl <sub>2</sub> (COD)]; PVP (M <sub>w</sub> =10000 g.mol <sup>-1</sup> ,	3.8 ± 1.5 nm Cu1Pd1	PdNPs coated by a nonuniform	
	Cu/Pd/PVP 1:1:40), glycerol, 120 °C, 12 h		Cu-shell	
	under H <sub>2</sub> (3 bar)	2.5 ± 1.5 nm Cu2Pd1	disordered alloys	

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