Supporting Information

Chromium-Catalyzed Arylmagnesiation of Alkynes

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Instrumentation and Chemicals

¹H NMR (300 MHz) and ¹³C NMR (125.7 MHz) spectra were taken on Varian Mercury 300 and UNITY INOVA 500 spectrometers and were recorded in CDCl₃. Chemical shifts (δ) are in parts per million relative to CHCl₃ at 7.26 ppm for ¹H and relative to CDCl₃ at 77.2 ppm for ¹³C unless otherwise noted. IR spectra were determined on a SHIMADZU FTIR-8200PC spectrometer. TLC analyses were performed on commercial glass plates bearing 0.25-mm layer of Merck Silica gel 60F₂₅₄. Silica gel (Wakogel 200 mesh) was used for column chromatography. Elemental analyses were carried out at the Elemental Analysis Center of Kyoto University.

Unless otherwise noted, materials obtained from commercial suppliers were used without further purification. Anhydrous CrCl₂ was purchased from Aldrich and was used under argon. Arylmagnesium bromide was prepared from magnesium metal and the corresponding bromoarene in diethyl ether. Diethyl ether was purchased from Kanto Chemical Co., stored under nitrogen, and used as it is. Toluene was dried over slices of sodium and used after distillation. All reactions were carried out under argon atmosphere.

Characterization Data

The stereochemistry of the arylmagnesiation products was assigned by comparison with known compounds that have an analogous structure.¹

The products shown in Table 2, entries 8^2 , 9^3 , and 10^2 are well known compounds.

- (*E*)-6-Phenyl-6-dodecene (3): oil. IR (neat) 697, 758, 1444, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.24–1.50 (m, 12H), 2.18 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.64 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.18–7.35 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.25, 14.28, 22.70, 22.81, 28.62, 28.73, 29.79, 29.88, 31.85, 32.03, 126.50, 126.51, 128.29, 129.36, 140.25, 143.73; Found: C, 88.45; H, 11.55%. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₈: C, 88.27; H, 11.70%.
- (*E*)-6-(2-Methylphenyl)-6-dodecene (Table 2, entry 1): oil. IR (neat) 729, 759, 1459, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.84 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.25–1.41 (m, 12H), 2.16 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.31 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.22 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.02–7.15 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.27, 14.31, 20.14, 22.76, 22.82, 28.09 28.21, 29.77, 31.82, 31.94, 32.20, 125.37, 126.41, 129.24, 130.02, 130.10, 135.48, 140.78, 144.93; Found: C, 88.09; H, 11.89%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₀: C, 88.30; H, 11.70%. (*E*)-6-(3-Methylphenyl)-6-dodecene (Table 2, entry 2): oil. IR (neat) 702, 782, 1460, 1602, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.27–1.53 (m, 12H), 2.17 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 2.46 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.62 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.01–7.04 (m, 1H) 7.11–7.21 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.27, 14.29,

- 21.75, 22.73, 22.85, 28.68, 28.76, 29.85, 29.98, 31.89, 32.10, 123.66, 127.33 (\times 2C), 128.20, 129.17, 137.76, 140.42, 143.81; Found: C, 88.06; H, 11.56%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₀: C, 88.30; H, 11.70%.
- (*E*)-6-(4-Methylphenyl)-6-dodecene (Table 2, entry 3): oil. IR (neat) 814, 1512, 2925 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3H), 1.23–1.53 (m, 12H), 2.16 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.45 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.61 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.08–7.11 (m, 2H) 7.22–7.25 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.28, 14.30, 21.23, 22.74, 22.85, 28.67, 28.74, 29.87, 29.91, 31.88, 32.10, 126.39, 128.64, 129.04, 136.13, 140.08, 140.85; Found: C, 88.23; H, 11.49%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₀: C, 88.30; H, 11.70%.
- (*E*)-6-(4-Chlorophenyl)-6-dodecene (Table 2, entry 4): oil. IR (neat) 750, 829, 1092, 1490, 2928 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3H), 1.26–1.43 (m, 12H), 2.17 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 5.62 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.04–7.30 (m, 4H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.24, 14.28, 22.72, 22.83, 28.52, 28.77, 29.75, 29.82, 31.87, 31.98, 127.84, 128.44, 129.96, 132.25, 139.31, 142.20; Found: C, 77.72; H, 10.04%. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₇Cl: C, 77.53; H, 9.76%.
- (*E*)-6-(3-Methoxylphenyl)-6-dodecene (Table 2, entry 5): oil. IR (neat) 775, 1285, 1465, 1577, 2927 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.24–1.46 (m, 12H), 2.17 (q, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 5.65 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 6.74–6.78 (m, 1H), 6.87–6.94 (m, 2H), 7.18–7.23 (m, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.27, 14.29, 22.73, 22.84, 28.66, 28.74, 29.79, 30.00, 31.88, 32.08, 55.39,

- 111.69, 112.62, 119.17, 129.21, 129.49, 140.21, 145.40, 159.71; Found: C, 83.15; H, 11.28%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₀O: C, 83.15; H, 11.02%.
- (*E*)-2,2-Dimethyl-4-phenyl-3-decene (Table 2, entry 6): oil. IR (neat) 698, 747, 1465, 2957 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.84 (t, J = 6.0 Hz, 3H), 1.20 (s, 9H), 1.21–1.28 (m, 8H), 2.59 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 5.55 (s, 1H), 7.18–7.29 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.21, 22.81, 29.06, 29.81, 30.65, 31.66, 31.87, 33.03, 126.45, 126.97, 128.18, 139.56, 140.69, 145.29; Found: C, 88.72; H, 11.76%. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₈: C, 88.45; H, 11.55%.
- (*E*)-1,2-Diphenyl-1-octene (Table 2, entry 7): oil. IR (neat) 697, 758, 1598, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.22–1.44 (m, 8H), 2.69 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.69 (s, 1H), 7.16–7.58 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.23, 22.80, 28.90, 29.54, 30.43, 31.75, 126.69, 126.84, 127.32, 128.27, 128.44, 128.54, 128.99, 138.61, 143.41, 143.65; Found: C, 91.03; H, 9.06%. Calcd for $C_{20}H_{24}$: C, 90.85; H, 9.15%.
- (*E*)-6-Deuterio-7-phenyl-6-dodecene (5, 92%D): oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.90 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.24–1.50 (m, 12H), 2.17 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.18–7.35 (m, 5H).
- (*Z*)-4-Pentyl-5-phenyl-1,4-decadiene (6): oil. IR (neat) 702, 909, 1459, 1636, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.92 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.22–1.47 (m, 12H), 2.14 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.29–2.36 (m, 2H), 2.57 (d, J = 6.3 Hz, 2H), 4.88–4.95 (m, 2H), 5.68 (ddt, J = 16.8, 10.2, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.06–7.31 (m, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.27, 14.31, 22.77, 22.86, 28.28, 28.77, 30.99, 32.06, 32.37, 34.37, 37.80, 115.12, 126.10, 128.02,

128.97, 133.58, 137.90, 137.97, 144.03; Found: C, 88.66; H, 11.34%. Calcd for $C_{21}H_{32}$: C, 88.36; H, 11.37%.

(Z)-2-Pentyl-1,3-diphenyl-2-octene-1-ol (7): solid. IR (nujol) 703, 997, 1451, 2922, 3309 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.81 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.84 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.16–1.30 (m, 12H), 1.57 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 1.95 (dt, J = 5.1, 13.5 Hz, 1H), 2.13 (dt, J = 5.1, 13.5 Hz, 1H), 2.30–2.39 (m, 2H), 5.34 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1H), 7.18–7.36 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.21, 14.24, 22.51, 22.73, 27.68, 27.81, 30.90, 32.19, 32.81, 34.68, 74.05, 125.92, 126.66, 129.87, 128.15, 128.42, 128.94, 137.42, 141.44, 142.78, 143.31; Found: C, 85.47; H, 9.62%. Calcd for C₂₅H₃₄O: C, 85.66; H, 9.78%.

(Z)-6,7-Diphenyl-6-dodecene (8a): oil. IR (neat) 698, 2858 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.85 (m, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H), 1.26–1.34 (m, 12H), 2.52 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 4H), 6.90–7.07 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.26, 22.76, 28.34, 32.04, 34.49, 125.53, 127.49, 129.97, 138.51, 143.74; Found: C, 89.94; H, 10.06%. Calcd for C₂₅H₃₂: C, 90.23; H, 10.18%.

(**Z**)-6-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-phenyl-6-dodecene (8b): oil. IR (neat) 700, 831, 1245, 1509, 2955 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.83–0.88 (m, 6H), 1.22–1.29 (m, 12H), 2.47–2.51 (m, 4H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 6.57–6.60 (m, 2H), 6.82–7.08 (m, 7H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.27 (× 2C), 22.75, 22.77, 28.37, 28.39, 32.06 (× 2C), 34.56 (× 2C), 55.19, 112.95, 125.41, 127.55, 130.00, 130.93, 136.03, 137.90, 138.12, 143.98, 157.43; Found: C, 85.52; H, 9.81%. Calcd for C₂₅H₃₄O: C, 85.66; H, 9.78%.

(**Z**)-3-Pentyl-2,4-diphenyl-1,3-nonadiene (9): oil. IR (neat) 699, 897, 1491, 2927 cm⁻¹;

¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.84–0.89 (m, 6H), 1.26–1.38 (m, 12H), 2.20 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 2.49 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.69 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (d, J = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.07–7.38 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.24, 14.29, 22.77 (× 2C), 28.24, 28.39, 31.87, 31.95, 32.10, 34.32, 115.83, 125.81, 126.93, 127.26, 127.59, 128.26, 128.69, 138.10, 139.78, 140.86, 143.95, 148.95; Found: C, 90.19; H, 9.96%. Calcd for $C_{26}H_{34}$: C, 90.11; H, 9.89%. The stereochemical structure of **9** was determined tentatively by analogy with the stereochemistry of cross-coupling products **8a** and **8b**.

(*E*)-6-Methyl-7-phenyl-6-dodecene (10): oil. IR (neat) 701, 1440, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.93 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.22–1.46 (m, 12H), 1.49 (s, 3H), 2.15 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 2.28–2.32 (m, 2H), 7.05–7.09 (m, 2H) 7.16–7.32 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.24, 14.30, 20.05, 22.75, 22.90, 28.46 (× 2C), 32.05, 32.25, 34.14 (× 2C), 125.82, 127.99, 129.21, 131.59, 136.02, 144.62; Found: C, 88.05; H, 11.88%. Calcd for C₁₉H₃₀: C, 88.30; H, 11.70%.

(*Z*)-6-Iodo-7-phenyl-6-dodecene (11): oil. IR (neat) 698, 1119, 1458, 2926 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.84 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 0.94 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H), 1.23–1.39 (m, 10H), 1.60–1.65 (m, 2H), 2.45 (t, J = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 2.66 (t, J = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.05–7.07 (m, 2H) 7.24–7.37 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.16, 14.25, 22.61, 22.80, 28.03, 29.66, 31.01, 31.68, 34.83, 41.35, 106.52, 127.02, 128.22, 128.46, 147.39, 147.82; Found: C, 58.63; H, 7.32%. Calcd for C₁₈H₂₇I: C, 58.38; H, 7.35%.

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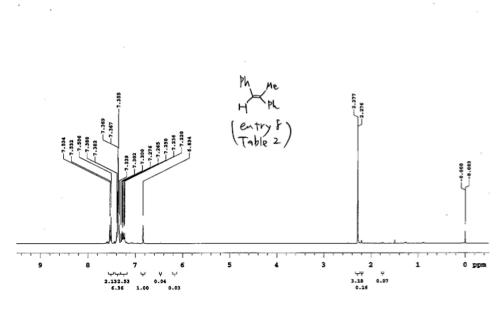


Chart 2. ¹³C NMR spectrum of product in Table 2, entry 8

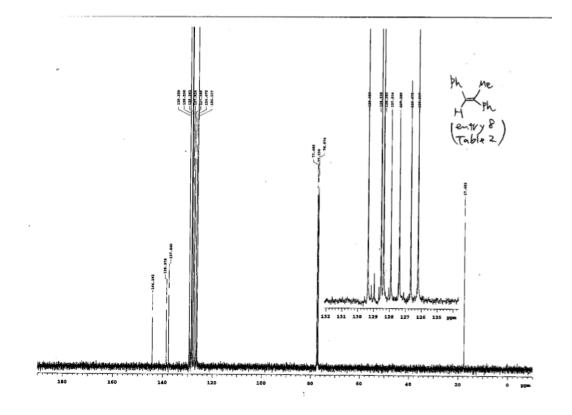


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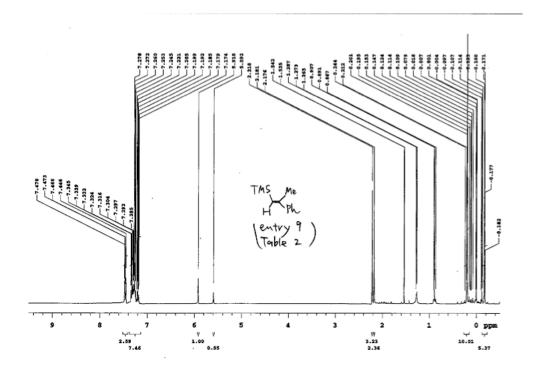
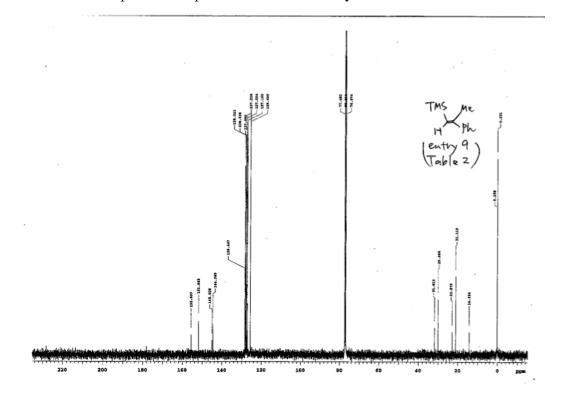


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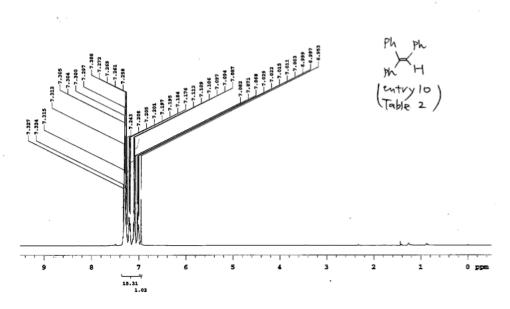


Chart 6. ¹³C NMR spectrum of product in Table 2, entry 10

