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Catalytic (de)hydrogenation promoted by non-precious metals – Fe, Co and Mn: recent advances in an emerging field

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3.1.1. – Reduction with molecular hydrogen – Iron Catalysts

A-Fe-1 – Ketones

R. Langer, G. Leitus, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2011**, *50*, 2120-2124.

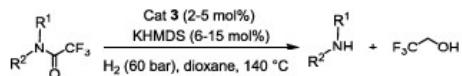
Solvent	<i>t</i> [h]	Yield [%] (conversion [%]) ^[b]	TON	TOF/h ⁻¹
MeOH	23	13 (23)	260	11
EtOH	21.5	94 (94)	1880	87
EtOH ^[c]	4	85 (86)	1720	430
<i>n</i> PrOH	21	30 (35)	600	29
<i>i</i> PrOH	20	9 (21)	180	9
THF	24	0	–	–
–	22	0	–	–

[a] Reaction conditions: **2** (0.0025 mmol), KO*t*Bu (0.005 mmol), substrate (5 mmol), *m*-xylene (1 mmol), ethanol (3 mL), H₂ (4.1 atm).

[b] Determined by GC analysis with *m*-xylene as internal standard [c] *T* = 40 °C.

A-Fe-1 – Amides

J. A. Garg, S. Chakraborty, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Chemical Communications*, **2016**, *52*, 5285–5288.



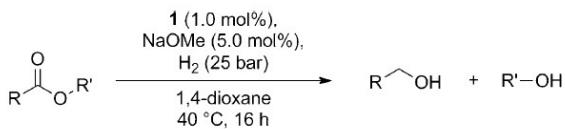
Entry	Substrate	Mol%	Time (h)	Conv. ^b (%)	Products ^b	
					HO-CF ₃ (%)	Amine (%)
1		2	12	99	99	<i>p</i> -F-aniline (99)
2		2	12	99	99	Isopropylaniline (99)
3		2	12	58	52	<i>N,N</i> -Dimethylaniline (58)
4		2	24	25	25	<i>p</i> -Nitroaniline (25)
5		5	36	35	36	Cyclohexylamine (34)
6		5	36	23	23	Hexylamine (22)
7		5	35	26	26	Methylamine (undetected)
8		5	36	58	44	Benzylamine (58)
9		5	36	62	61	<i>p</i> -Fluorobenzylamine (62)
10		5	36	46	42	<i>p</i> -Methylbenzylamine (46)
11		5	36	99	99	Diphenylamine (99)
12 ^c		5	36	48	45	Fluoroaniline (47)

^a Unless and otherwise stated, reaction conditions were 2–5 mol% catalyst 3, 3 equiv. KHMDS relative to catalyst, 60 bar H₂, 140 °C and 1,4-dioxane as solvent. ^b Conversions and amine yields were determined by GC using mesitylene as internal standard and TFE yield is based on ¹⁹F NMR.

^c Trifluoromethylbenzylalcohol was obtained and quantified by GC.

A-Fe-2 – Esters

T. Zell, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2014**, 53, 4685-4689.



[a] Reaction conditions: H₂ (25 bar), ester (2.0 mmol), **1** (1.0 mol%), NaOMe (5.0 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), 16 h, 40°C, performed in an autoclave. Yields based on integration of the ¹⁹F{¹H} NMR spectra of the crude products. [b] 48 h. [c] Ester (0.67 mmol), **1** (3.0 mol%), NaOMe (15.0 mol%), 60 h.

B-Fe-1 – Ketones

N. Gorgas, B. Stöger, L. F. Veiros, E. Pittenauer, G. Allmaier and K. Kirchner, *Organometallics*, **2014**, *33*, 6905-6914.

Entry	Substrate	Product	H_2 (5 bar) 0.5 mol % 2a 1.0 mol % KO <i>t</i> Bu solvent, 2h, RT	
			Yield ^a [%]	TOF [h ⁻¹]
1			99	100
2 ^b			77	770
3			99	100
4			99	100
5			34	34
6			47	47
7				
8				
9			30	30
10			64	64
11 ^c			99	200
12				-
13			10	100
			45	
			45	

^aReaction conditions: **2a** (0.0125 mmol), KO*t*Bu (0.025 mmol), substrate (2.5 mmol), EtOH (5 mL), H₂ (5 bar), 2 h. ^bReaction conditions: **2a** (0.0025 mmol), KO*t*Bu (0.005), substrate (2.5 mmol), EtOH (3 mL), 1 h. ^cReaction time: 1 h. ^dYields were determined by ¹H NMR.

B-Fe-1 – Aldehydes

N. Gorgas, B. Stöger, L. F. Veiros, E. Pittenauer, G. Allmaier and K. Kirchner, *Organometallics*, **2014**, *33*, 6905-6914.

Entry	Substrate	Product	Yield ^d	TOF
			[%]	[h ⁻¹]
1 ^b			23	23
2			99	120
3			99	120
4 ^c			99	60
5			99	120
6				

^aReaction conditions: **2a** or **2b** (0.125 mmol), KOtBu (0.25 mmol), substrate (2.5 mmol), EtOH (5 mL), H₂ (5 bar), 10 min.

^bReaction conditions: **2a** (0.0125 mmol), KOtBu (0.025 mmol), substrate (2.5 mmol), EtOH (5 mL), H₂ (5 bar), 2 h.

^cReaction time: 20 min.

^dYields were determined by ¹H NMR.

B-Fe-1a – Aldehydes

N. Gorgas, B. Stöger, L. F. Veiro and K. Kirchner, *ACS Catalysis*, **2016**, *6*, 2664–2672.

	A1 R = H	A5	A6	A7
	A2 R = Cl			
	A3 R = Me			
	A4 R = OMe			
A8				
A9				
A10				
A11				
A12				
A13				
A14				

entry	S/C	substrate	conversion (%) ^b	yield (%) ^c
1	20000	A1	>99	96
2	20000	A2	>99	>99
3	15000	A3	>99	>99
4	15000	A4	98	98
5	20000	A5	>99	97
6	20000	A6	>99	>99
7	20000	A7	>99	>99
8	10000	A8	97	96
9	10000	A9	>99	98
10	10000	A10	>99	>99
11 ^d	20000	A10	>99	>99
12	10000	A11	>99	>99
13	10000	A12	>99	>99
14	10000	A13	99	97
15	10000	A14	99	99

^aReaction conditions unless stated otherwise: catalyst **2** (0.1–0.2 μmol, 50–100 ppm), aldehyde (2 mmol), DBU (20 μmol, 1.0 mol %), EtOH (1 mL), 30 bar of H₂, 40 °C, 16 h. ^bDetermined by integration of ¹H NMR spectra. ^cBased on integration of ¹H spectra using mesitylene as internal standard. ^dReaction conditions: 60 bar of H₂.

C-Fe-1 – Esters

S. Werkmeister, K. Junge, B. Wendt, E. Alberico, H. Jiao, W. Baumann, H. Junge, F. Gallou and M. Beller, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2014**, *53*, 8722–8726.

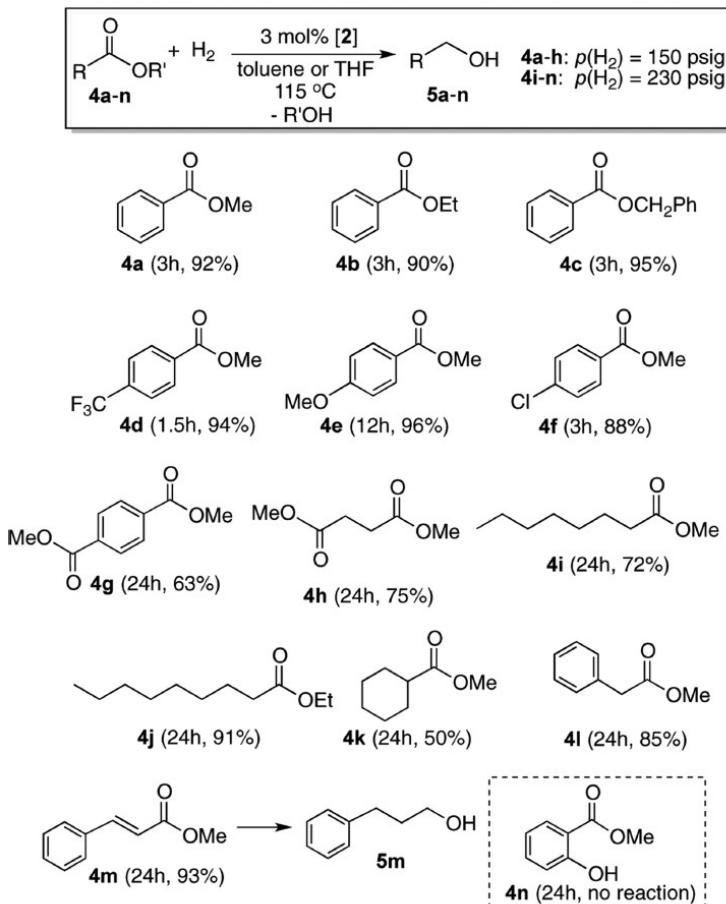
		$\text{R}^1\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{OR}^2$	$\xrightarrow[19 \text{ h}, \text{THF}]{1 \text{ mol\% } 4}$	$\text{R}^1\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$	R^2OH		
Entry	Ester			Alcohol	T [°C]	Yield ^[b] [%]	
1		5i	100 or 120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6a	120	96
2		5m	100 or 120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6m	100	87
3		5n	100 or 120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 6 h, THF		6n	100	87
4		5o	100 or 120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 6 h, THF		6o	100	49
1		5a	100 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 6 h, THF		6a	100	97
2		5b	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6a	120	86 ^[c]
3		5c	100 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 6 h, THF		6c	100	99
4		5d	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6d	120	68 ^[c]
5		5e	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6e	120	97
6		5f	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6e	120	67 ^[c]
7 ^[d]		5g	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6g	120	97
8 ^[e]		5h	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6h	120	92
9 ^[d,f]		5i	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		7i	120	50
10		5j	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6j	120	89
11 ^[d]		5k	120 °C, 30 bar H ₂ 19 h, THF		6k	120	69 ^[g]
14 ^[d]		5y			6y	120	63

[a] Substrate (0.5 mmol), 4 (0.005 mmol), 1 mL THF, 30 bar H₂, 6 or 19 h, 100 or 120°C. [b] Yield determined by GC using hexadecane as an internal standard. [c] Alcohol **6** = **7**, was taken into account for yield determination. [d] 4 (0.01 mmol). [e] **5h** (2 mmol), 4 (0.025 mmol), 4 mL THF, 50 bar H₂, 19 h, 120°C, 25 mL autoclave. [f] In addition, the hydrogenation of L-menthyl acetate (> 97% enantiomeric purity) to L-menthol resulted in 0% loss of chiral information. [g] Yield of isolated product.

[a] Substrate (0.5 mmol), 4 (0.005 mmol), 1 mL THF, 30 bar H₂, 19 h, 100 or 120°C. [b] Yield determined by GC using hexadecane as an internal standard. [c] cis-4-Decen-1-ol was used for product calibration. [d] 4 (0.025 mmol). [e] 0.025 mmol 4, 50 bar H₂. [f] Substrate (2 mmol), 4 (0.025 mmol), 4 mL THF, 50 bar H₂, 19 h, 120°C, 25 mL autoclave. [g] Yield of isolated HCl salt.

C-Fe-1 – Esters

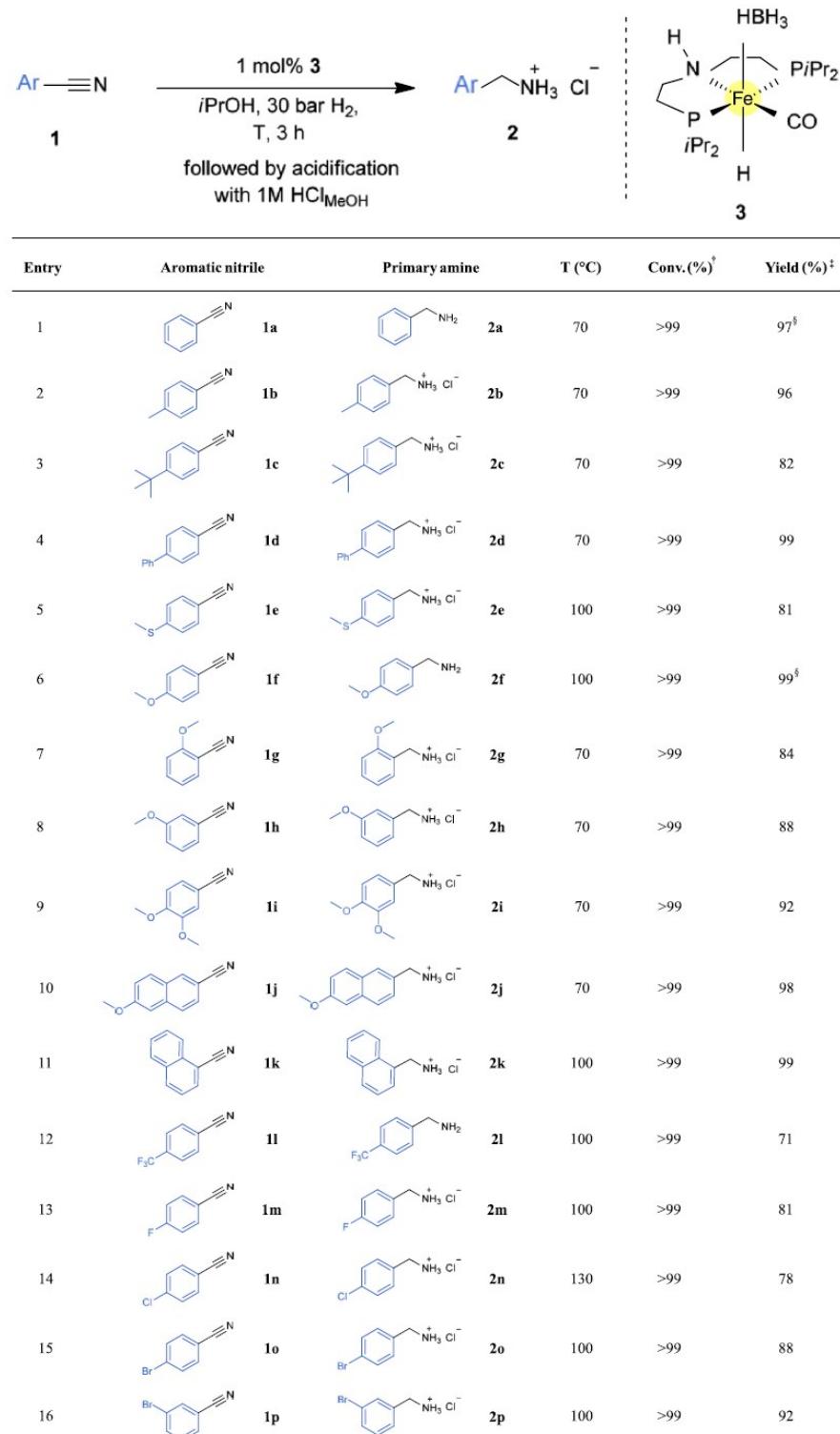
S. Chakraborty, H. Dai, P. Bhattacharya, N. T. Fairweather, M. S. Gibson, J. A. Krause and H. Guan, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2014**, *136*, 7869-7872.



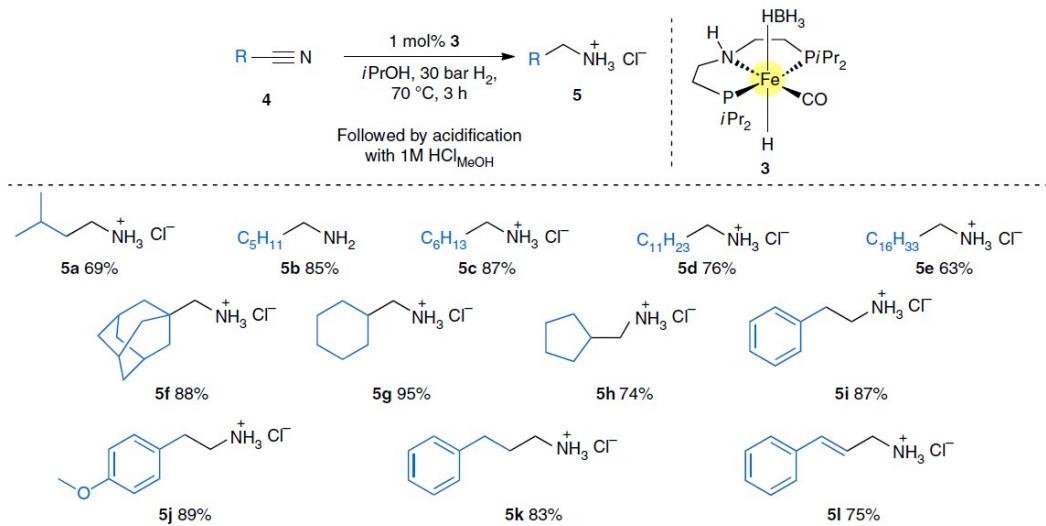
^aGeneral conditions for hydrogenation: 0.83 mmol of ester, 25 μmol of **2** (3 mol % loading), 0.5 mL of toluene (or THF for **4g**), 115 °C, $p(\text{H}_2) = 150$ or 230 psig. The numbers in the parentheses are reaction time and isolated yield of RCH_2OH .

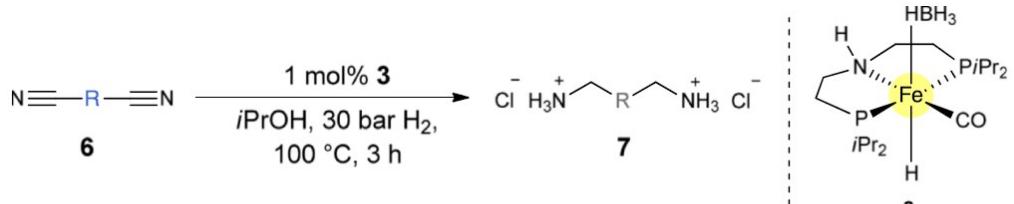
C-Fe-1 – Nitriles

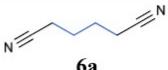
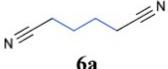
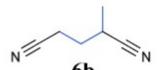
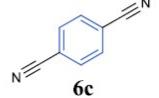
C. Bornschein, S. Werkmeister, B. Wendt, H. Jiao, E. Alberico, W. Baumann, H. Junge, K. Junge and M. Beller, *Nature Communications*, **2014**, 5.



Entry	Aromatic nitrile	Primary amine	T (°C)	Conv. (%) [†]	Yield (%) [‡]
17			100	>99	80
18			130	>99	92
19			100	>99	40 [§]
20			100	>99	58 [§]
21			130	>99	75
22			100	>99	93
23			100	>99	70
24			100	>99	93





Entry	Dinitrile	Product	t (min)	Conv. (%) [†]	Yield (%) [‡]
1		$\text{Cl}^-\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{---CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+\text{Cl}^-$	180	>99	95
2		$\text{Cl}^-\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{---CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+\text{Cl}^-$	180	>99	87 [§]
3		$\text{Cl}^-\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{---CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+\text{Cl}^-$	20	>99	83
4		$\text{Cl}^-\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{---CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+\text{Cl}^-$	180	>99	41
5		$\text{Cl}^-\text{H}_3\text{N}^+\text{---CH}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_3^+\text{Cl}^-$	180	>99	85

C-Fe-2 – Esters

S. Elangovan, B. Wendt, C. Topf, S. Bachmann, M. Scalpone, A. Spannenberg, H. Jiao, W. Baumann, K. Junge and M. Beller, *Advanced Synthesis & Catalysis*, **2016**, 358, 820-825.

Entry	Ester	Alcohol	T [°C] Conv. (Yield [%] ^[b])
1 ^[c]			60 >99 (99) ^[d]
2			60 >99 (90)
3			60 >99 (99)
4 ^[e]			60 >99 (88)
5			100 >99 (95)
6 ^[c]			100 >99 (98)
7			60 >99 (95) ^[d]
8			100 >99 (92)
9 ^[c,f]			100 >99 (98)
10 ^[e]			100 >99 (95)
11 ^[e]			100 >99 (92)
12 ^[c,e]			100 65 (63)
13			100 >99 (90)
14 ^[c]			100 >99 (86)

^[a] Substrate (1 mmol), **3** (0.01 mmol), THF (1 mL), 60 or 100 °C, 30 bar H₂, 18 h.

^[b] Conversion was determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard (isolated yield in parentheses).

^[c] Substrate (0.5 mmol), **3** (0.005 mmol), yield was determined GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard.

^[d] 6 h reaction time.

^[e] 2 mol% **3**.

^[f] *cis*-4-Decen-1-ol was used for product calibration.

Entry	Ester 	Alcohol 	Conv. (Yield [%] ^[b])
1			>99 (96)
2			>99 (89)
3 ^[d]			>99 (91)
4 ^[c]			>99 (97)
5 ^[d]			>99 (97)
6 ^[d]			>99 (98)
7 ^[c,e]			>99 (99)

^[a] Substrate (1 mmol), **3** (0.01 mmol), THF (1 mL), 100 °C, 30 bar H₂, 18 h.

^[b] Conversion was determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard (isolated yield in parentheses).

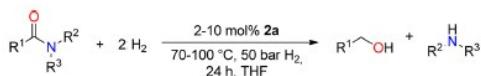
^[c] Substrate (0.5 mmol), **3** (0.005 mmol), yield was determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard.

^[d] 2 mol% **3**.

^[e] 60 °C.

C-Fe-2 – Amides

F. Schneck, M. Assmann, M. Balmer, K. Harms and R. Langer, *Organometallics*, **2016**, *35*, 1931-1943.



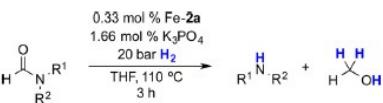
entry	amide	S/C	Temperature / °C	conversion ^[b] / %	alcohol (yield / %)	amine (yield / %)
1		10/1	70	94		
		50/1	70	57	45	45
		50/1	100	>99	99	99
2		10/1	70	>99		
		50/1	70	57	53	53
3		50/1	70	>99		
4		10/1	70	0		
		10/1	100	14	4	(n. d.)
5		10/1	70	36		
		10/1	100	53	50	(n. d.)
6		10/1	70	0		0
		10/1	100	0		0
7		10/1	70	0		0
		10/1	100	0		0
8		10/1	70	0		0
		10/1	100	49		41 ^[c]
9		10/1	70	84		70 ^[c]
		10/1	100	>99		92 ^[c]

^aReaction conditions: substrate (1.00 mmol), precatalyst **2a** (0.02–0.10 mmol), and *m*-xylene (1.00 mmol) as internal standard and THF (5 mL).

^bConversion and yield were determined by GC analysis using *m*-xylene as an internal standard. ^cIsolated yield.

C-Fe-3 – Formamides

N. M. Rezayee, D. C. Samblanet and M. S. Sanford, *ACS Catalysis*, **2016**, *6*, 6377-6383.

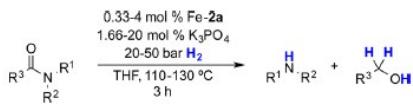


Entry	Substrate	conversion	yield	TON
1		>99%	>99% ^b	300
2		>99%	99%	300
3		>99%	95%	300
4		69%	57%	207
5		>99%	94%	300
6		>99%	96%	300
7		>99%	97%	300
8		12%	12% ^b	36
9		1%	1% ^b	3

^aConditions: 3 mmol of amide, 10 µmol of Fe-2a, 50 µmol of K₃PO₄, 2 mL of THF, 20 bar of H₂, 110 °C, 3 h. Yields are isolated yields of the amine product. Conversions (based on DMF) and TONs (based on CH₃OH) were determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. ^bYield determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy based on CH₃OH.

C-Fe-3 – Amides

N. M. Rezayee, D. C. Samblanet and M. S. Sanford, *ACS Catalysis*, **2016**, *6*, 6377-6383.



Entry	Substrate	conversion	yield	TON
1 ^b		>99%	88%	50
2 ^b		>99%	96%	50
3		38%	36%	9
4		>99%	95%	25
5		>99%	99%	25
6		>99%	93%	25
7		>99%	94%	25
8 ^c		>99%	94%	25
9		>99%	95%	25
10		<1%	<1%	<1
11 ^d		44% ^d	44% ^d	120

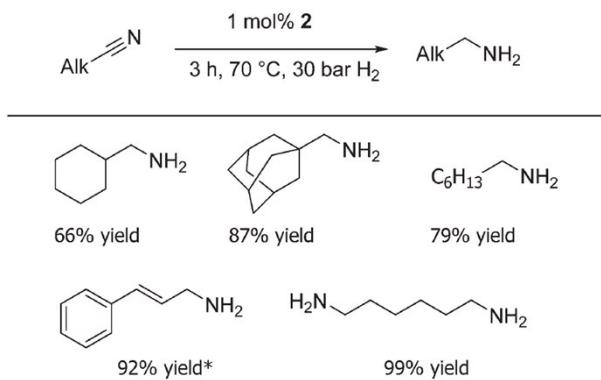
^aConditions unless specified otherwise: 0.25 mmol of amide, 10 μ mol of Fe-2a, 50 μ mol of K_3PO_4 , 2 mL of THF, 50 bar of H_2 , 130 °C, 3 h. Yields are isolated yields of the amine product. Conversions (based on amide substrate) and TONs (based on ROH) were determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. ^bConditions: 0.50 mmol of amide, 10 μ mol of Fe-2a, 50 μ mol of K_3PO_4 , 2 mL of THF, 30 bar of H_2 , 110 °C, 3 h. ^cThe nitrile functional group was also hydrogenated. ^dConditions: 3 mmol of amide, 10 μ mol of Fe-2a, 50 μ mol of K_3PO_4 , 2 mL of THF, 20 bar of H_2 , 110 °C, 3 h. Conversion was determined by ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy and yield by ¹H NMR spectroscopy based on 2,2,2-trifluoroethanol.

C-Fe-3 – Nitriles

S. Lange, S. Elangovan, C. Cordes, A. Spannenberg, H. Jiao, H. Junge, S. Bachmann, M. Scalone, C. Topf, K. Junge and M. Beller, *Catalysis Science & Technology*, **2016**, *6*, 4768-4772.

Entry	Nitrile	Amine	Yield ^b [%]
1 ^c			95
2			84
3			41 ^d 44 ^g
4 ^d			88
5			93
6 ^d			63 ^f
7 ^e			95
8			70 ^f
9			94 81 ^f
10			41 84 ^g
11 ^d			90

^a Conditions: 1.0 mmol of nitrile, 1 mol% 2, 2 mL of iPrOH, 30 bar H₂, 3 h, 70 °C. ^b Determined by GC analysis. ^c 0.5 mol% 2. ^d 30 bar H₂, 100 °C, 3 h. ^e 1 mol% 3, 30 bar H₂, 100 °C, 3 h. ^f Isolated yields of ammonium salt. ^g 5 mol% 2, 30 bar H₂, 100 °C, 3 h.



Scheme 3 Yield of different alkyl amines using **2**. Reaction conditions:
1.0 mmol of nitrile, 1 mol% **2**, 2 mL of iPrOH, 30 bar H₂, 3 h, 70 °C; *
100 °C, ca. 8% of C=C hydrogenation.

C-Fe-4 – Formamides

U. Jayarathne, Y. Zhang, N. Hazari and W. H. Bernskoetter, *Organometallics*, **2017**, *36*, 409-416.^a

Entry	Substrate	0.070 mol% 1 TON (Conv.) ^b	0.018 mol% 1 TON (Conv.) ^b
1		>1390 (>99%)	4430 (79%)
2		>1390 (>99%)	3360 (60%)
3		>1390 (>99%)	3240 (58%)
4		>1390 (>99%)	2610 (47%)
5		>1390 (>99%)	1920 (34%)
6		60 (4%)	--
7		1190 (85%)	--
8		1360 (97%)	2000
9		50 (<5%)	--
10		130 (9%)	--
11		160 (11%)	--
12		No conversion	--
13		No conversion	--

^aReaction conditions: 30 atm H₂ (~450 psi), 5.0–1.25 μ mol of 1 (0.07–0.018 mol %), and 7 mmol of amide in 5 mL of THF at 100 °C for 4 h.

^bDetermined by NMR and GC analyses of the product amine or alcohol (in the case of highly volatile product amines) as well as residual starting material. Each entry is the average of two or more trials.

M-Fe-1 – Nitriles

S. Chakraborty, G. Leitus and D. Milstein, *Chemical Communications*, **2016**, *52*, 1812-1815.

Entry ^a	Substrate	$\xrightarrow[\text{NaEt}_3\text{BH (1-5 mol\%)}]{\text{2 (1-5 mol\%)}}$			
		Mol% (2)	Time (h)	Conv. ^b (%)	Yield ^b (%)
				KHMDS (3-15 mol%)	
1		1	19	99	99
2		1	36	99	99
3		2	36	92	92
4		1	19	99	99
5		1	16	99	99
6		5	48	99	97
7		5	24	99	98
8		5	48	99	99
9		5	48	99	84
10		5	36	95	63
11		2	36	78	78
12		5	48	68	68
13		1	39	99	99
14		1	48	94	90
15		2	60	99	99
16		5	48	90	90
17		5	48	81	81
18 ^c		5	48	83	83
19		5	36	99	99
20 ^c		1	36	85	66

^a Conditions: nitrile (0.4–1 mmol), **2**/NaHB*E*t₃/KHMDS ratio 1:1:3, H₂ (60 bar), and THF (2 mL), heated in an autoclave at 140 °C bath temperature. ^b Conversions and yields determined by GC-MS or ¹H NMR using *m*-xylene or toluene as internal standard. ^c The reactions were carried out using toluene as solvent.

M-Fe-2 – Esters

P. Gajewski, A. Gonzalez-de-Castro, M. Renom-Carrasco, U. Piarulli, C. Gennari, J. G. de Vries, L. Lefort and L. Pignataro, *ChemCatChem*, **2016**, *8*, 3431-3435.

Table 4. Substrate screening for the hydrogenation of esters in the presence of pre-catalyst **1**.^[a]

		$\text{R}^1\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{O}-\text{R}^2 \xrightarrow[\text{toluene, 90 } ^\circ\text{C}]{\begin{array}{l} \mathbf{1} (1 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \text{Me}_3\text{NO} (2 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \text{TEA (20 mol\%)} \\ \text{H}_2 (70 \text{ bar}) \end{array}} \text{R}^1\text{CH}_2\text{OH} + \text{R}^2\text{OH}$			
Entry	Substrate	Yield ^[b] [%]	Entry	Substrate	Yield ^[b] [%]
1		100 ^[c]	11		100 ^[d]
2		100	12		0 ^[d]
3		100	13		0 ^[d]
4		100	14		0 ^[d]
5		100	15		0 ^[d]
6		87	16		0
7		50	17		0 ^[d]
8		100 ^[d,e]	18		0 ^[f]
9		60	19		0 ^[f]
10		0	20		0 ^[f]
		100 ^[d]			

[a] Reaction conditions: substrate (1 mmol), **1** (1 mol%), Me₃NO (2 mol%), toluene (0.25 mL), reaction time = 17 h. [b] Determined by analysis of the reaction crude by ¹⁹F-¹H NMR spectroscopy. [c] Pretreatment with TEA (20 mol%) was necessary at this stage owing to the formation of TFA in our ageing batch of **S1**. [d] Substrate was pre-treated with TEA (20 mol%) before hydrogenation. [e] Our analytical method did not allow us to determine whether the olefin was hydrogenated or not. [f] Determined by GC with dodecane as an internal standard.

M-Fe-2 – Aldehydes

A. Tlili, J. Schranck, H. Neumann and M. Beller, *Chemistry – A European Journal*, **2012**, *18*, 15935–15939.

Aromatic aldehyde	Product	2a [mol %]	Yield ^[b] [%]
1		1	99 (96)
2		1	99
3		1	99
4		1	99
5		1	97 (92)
6		1	99
7		1	99 (95)
8		1	99
9		1	99
10		1	99 (94)
11		1	82
12		2	76
13		1	96
14		1	66 (59)
15		2	78 (76)
16		1	92

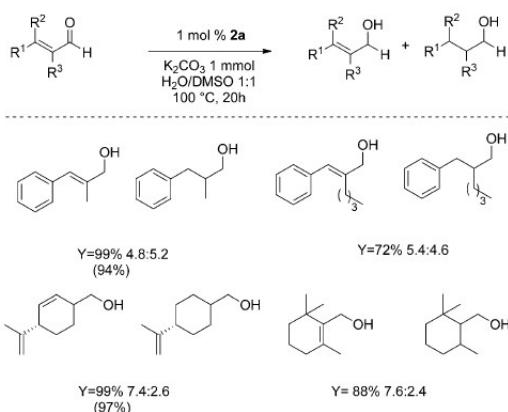
	Aromatic aldehyde	Product	2a [mol %]	Yield ^[b] [%]
17			1	96
18			1	59

[a] Reactions performed with aldehyde (1 mmol), base (1 mmol), **2a** and CO (10 bar). [b] GC yield calculated with hexadecane as internal standard. Yields of the isolated product are in brackets.

2a

	Aliphatic aldehydes	Products	2a [mol %]	Yield ^[b] [%]
1			5	99 (95)
2			1	99
3			1	99
4			1	99 (96)
5			1	92
6			5	62 ^[c]

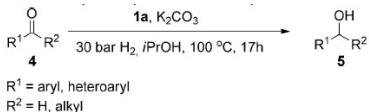
[a] Reactions performed with aldehyde (1 mmol), base (1 mmol), **2a** and CO (10 bar). [b] GC yields calculated with hexadecane as internal standard. Yields of the isolated product are in brackets. [c] Reaction performed with 2 mmol of base. Isolated yields in brackets.



Scheme 3. Iron-catalyzed reduction of α,β -unsaturated aldehydes. Reactions performed with aldehyde (1 mmol), of base (1 mmol), **2a** (1 mol %) and CO (10 bar). GC yields calculated with hexadecane as the internal standard. Yields of the isolated product are in brackets.

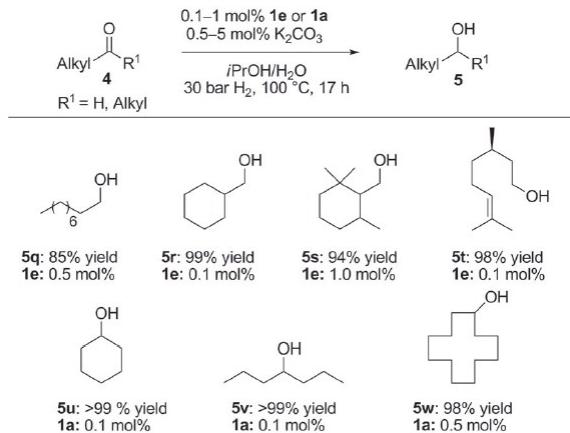
M-Fe-3 – Aldehydes

S. Fleischer, S. Zhou, K. Junge and M. Beller, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2013**, *52*, 5120–5124.

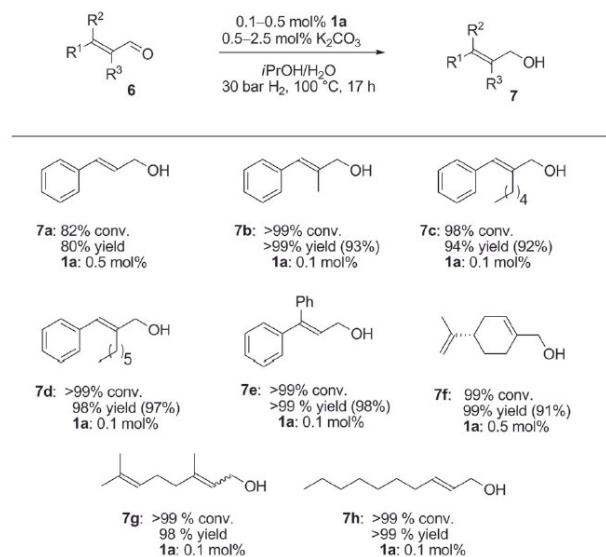


Entry	Product	1a (mol %)	Yield ^[c] [%]
1		5 b 0.1	94 (89)
2		5 c 0.5	99
3		5 d 0.1	98
4		5 e 0.1	99 (96)
5		5 f 0.1	99 (96)
6		5 g 1	98
7		5 h 1	>99
8		5 i 0.1	>99
9		5 j 0.5	76
10		5 k 0.1	99 (92)
11		5 l 0.5	95
12		5 m 0.1	>99 (97)
13		5 n 0.5	82
14		5 o 0.5	>99
15		5 p 0.5	>99 ^[c]

[a] General reaction conditions: aldehyde or ketone 4 (1.0 mmol), 1a (0.01–1 mol %), 5-fold excess K_2CO_3 (0.05–5 mol %), $i\text{PrOH}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.5 mL/0.2 mL), H_2 (10–30 bar) for 17 h. [b] Determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal. Yield of isolated product given within parentheses. [c] *cis/trans* ratio 4:1.



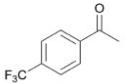
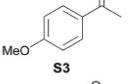
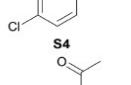
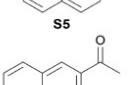
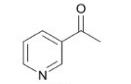
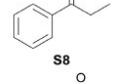
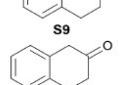
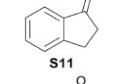
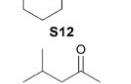
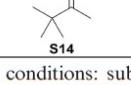
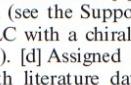
Scheme 2. Iron-catalyzed hydrogenation of aliphatic aldehydes and ketones into allylic and secondary alcohols.



Scheme 3. Iron-catalyzed hydrogenation of α,β -unsaturated aldehydes into allylic alcohols.

M-Fe-4 – Ketones

P. Gajewski, M. Renom-Carrasco, S. V. Facchini, L. Pignataro, L. Lefort, J. G. de Vries, R. Ferraccioli, A. Forni, U. Piarulli and C. Gennari, *European Journal of Organic Chemistry*, **2015**, 1887-1893.

Entry	Substrate	Conversion [%] ^[b]	^[c] ee [%], ^[e] absolute configuration ^[d]	
			ee [%], ^[e]	absolute configuration ^[d]
1		100	46, S	
2		64	50, S	
3		100	51, S	
4		43	68, S	
5		99	51, S	
6		35	50, S	
7		97	57, S	
8 ^[e]		25	77, S	
9		100	13, R	
10		78	59, R	
11		89	61, S	
12		76	0	
13		22	77, S	

[a] Reaction conditions: substrate/CK2/Me₃NO = 100:2:4, P_{H_2} = 30 bar, solvent = iPrOH/H₂O (5:2), c_0 (substrate) = 1.43 M, T = 70 °C, reaction time 18 h. [b] Determined by GC with a chiral capillary column (see the Supporting Information). [c] Determined by GC or HPLC with a chiral capillary column (see the Supporting Information). [d] Assigned by comparison of the sign of optical rotation with literature data (see the Supporting Information). [e] Substrate/CK2/Me₃NO = 100:5:10.

M-Fe-4 – Ketones

P. Gajewski, M. Renom-Carrasco, S. V. Facchini, L. Pignataro, L. Lefort, J. G. de Vries, R. Ferraccioli, U. Piarulli and C. Gennari, *European Journal of Organic Chemistry*, **2015**, 5526-5536.

Entry	Substrate	$\begin{array}{c} \text{H}_2 (30 \text{ bar}) \\ (R)\text{-1b} (2 \text{ mol-\%}) \\ \text{Me}_3\text{NO} (4 \text{ mol-\%}) \end{array}$		
		Conv. (%) ^[b]	ee (%) ^[c] , absol. config. ^[d]	
1		S1	100	50, S
2		S2	100	46, S
3		S3	64	50, S
4		S4	100	51, S
5		S5	43	68, S
6		S6	99	51, S
7		S7	35	50, S
8		S8	97	57, S
9 ^[e]		S9	25	77, S
10		S10	100	13, R
11		S11	78	59, R
12		S12	89	61, S
13		S13	76	0
14		S14	22	77, S

[a] Reaction conditions: substrate/(*R*)-1b/Me₃NO 100:2:4, *P*_{H₂} = 30 bar, solvent: 5:2 *i*PrOH/H₂O, *c*₀(substrate) = 1.43 M, *T* = 70 °C, reaction time: 18 h. [b] Determined by GC with a chiral capillary column (see Supporting Information). [c] Determined by GC or HPLC with a chiral capillary column (see Supporting Information). [d] Assigned by comparison of the sign of the optical rotation with the literature data (see Supporting Information). [e] Substrate/(*R*)-1b/Me₃NO 100:5:10.

M-Fe-5 – Nitriles

S. Chakraborty and D. Milstein, *ACS Catalysis*, **2017**, *7*, 3968-3972.

Entry ^a	Substrate	Product	1 mol%	Time (h)	Conv ^b (%)	Yield ^b (%)
1			1	<36	>99	97
2 ^c			2	<36	>99	93
3 ^c			1	<36	>99	91
4 ^d			2	18	81	52
5 ^d			1	24	>99	79
6 ^d			4	36	>99	56
7 ^d			4	36	59	28
8			4	14	>99	99
9			4	12	>99	99
10 ^d			4	16	>99	70
11 ^d			4	14	80	61
12			8	36	61	61
13			8	36	32	32
14			8	36	69	69
15			8	36	11	11

^aConditions: benzonitrile (1–0.125 mmol), **1** (0.01 mmol), *t*BuOK (1 equiv relative to **1**), and 2 mL of C₆H₆ (1 mL for 4 mol % and 8 mol % cat loading), heated in an autoclave at 90 °C under 30 bar H₂. ^bYields and conversions determined by GC-MS and ¹H NMR analysis using *m*-xylene, or toluene as internal standard. ^cIsolated yield. ^dDifferences in conversions of nitriles and yields of secondary imines indicate formation of partially hydrogenated intermediate imines and their trimerized products.

M-Fe-6 – Ketones

A. Zirakzadeh, K. Kirchner, A. Roller, B. Stöger, M. Widhalm and R. H. Morris, *Organometallics*, **2016**, 35, 3781-3787.

Table 1. HY Results Obtained with Complexes (R,R,S_{Fc})-9a–c and (S,S,S_{Fc})-10^a

entry	complex	substrate ^b	time	% conv	% ee	abs config
1	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	ACP	2 h	96	81	S
2	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	ACP	2 h	93	74	S
3	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	ACP	2 h	96	79	S
4	(S,S,S_{Fc})-10	ACP	2 h	92		
5	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	2-Cl-ACP	16 h	62	61	S
6	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	2-Cl-ACP	16 h	60	56	S
7	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	2-Cl-ACP	16 h	61	61	S
8	(S,S,S_{Fc})-10	2-Cl-ACP	16 h	60		
9	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	4-Cl-ACP	2 h	92	79	S
10	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	4-Cl-ACP	2 h	91	72	S
11	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	4-Cl-ACP	2 h	94	78	S
12	(S,S,S_{Fc})-10	4-Cl-ACP	2 h	90		
13	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	2-F-ACP	16 h	64	65	S
14	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	2-F-ACP	16 h	62	60	S
15	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	2-F-ACP	16 h	62	64	S
16	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	4-CF ₃ -ACP	2 h	92	66	S
17	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	4-CF ₃ -ACP	2 h	91	59	S
18	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	4-CF ₃ -ACP	2 h	92	65	S
19	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	4-MeO-ACP	2 h	95	80	S
20	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	4-MeO-ACP	2 h	93	73	S
21	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	4-MeO-ACP	2 h	95	78	S
22	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	4-Me-ACP	2 h	96	80	S
23	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	4-Me-ACP	2 h	91	73	S
24	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	4-Me-ACP	2 h	96	79	S
25	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	PEK	16 h	89	68	S
26	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	PEK	16 h	80	63	S
27	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	PEK	16 h	88	67	S
28	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	PBK	16 h	88	70	S
29	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	PBK	16 h	82	66	S
30	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	PBK	16 h	86	69	S
31	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9a	TETN	16 h	48	26	S
32	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9b	TETN	16 h	43	20	S
33	(R,R,S_{Fc})-9c	TETN	16 h	47	25	S

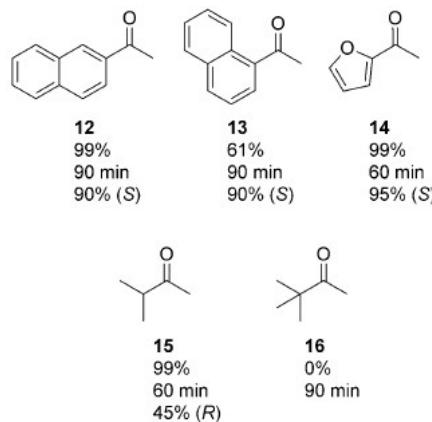
^aSubstrate: 1 mmol, catalyst: 0.01 mmol, KO^tBu: 0.04 mmol, 20 bar H₂, reaction time: 2–16 h. ^bACP, 2-F-ACP, 2-Cl-ACP, 4-CF₃-ACP, 4-MeO-ACP, 4-Me-ACP, PEK, and TETN determined by GC on a Beta Dex 110 (30 m) column, and PBK determined by HPLC on a Chiraldex OD-H column.

M-Fe-7 – Ketones

S. A. M. Smith, P. O. Lagaditis, A. Lüpke, A. J. Lough and R. H. Morris, *Chemistry – A European Journal*, **2017**, 23, 7212–7216.

Table 1. Results of ketone APH as in Scheme 4 with catalyst (S,S)-9. ^[a]					
Entry	R	R'	Conversion [%] ^[b]	Time [min]	ee (S) [%] ^[b]
1	CH ₃	H	> 99	90	95
2	CH ₂ CH ₃	H	> 99	120	96
3	CH ₃	<i>o</i> -Cl	> 99	90	93
4	C ₆ H ₁₁	H	38	90	62
5	CH ₃	<i>m</i> -(CF ₃) ₂	8	60	86
6	CH ₃	<i>p</i> -Cl	> 99	60	90
7	CH ₃	<i>p</i> -CH ₃	> 99	60	94

[a] Reaction conditions for (S,S)-9: 10 bar H₂, 0.1 mol% catalyst, 1 mol% KOtBu, 50 °C, 10 mL THF. [b] Conversion and ee values determined by chiral GC.



M-Fe-0 – Ketones

C. Sui-Seng, F. N. Haque, A. Hadzovic, A.-M. Pütz, V. Reuss, N. Meyer, A. J. Lough, M. Zimmer-De Iuliis and R. H. Morris, *Inorganic Chemistry*, **2009**, *48*, 735-743.

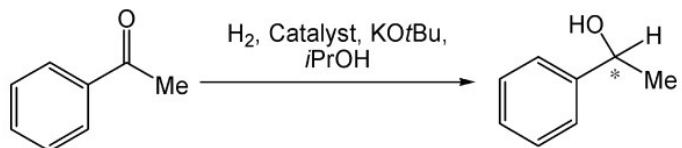


Table 2. Catalytic Hydrogenation of Acetophenone^a

entry	C	S:C:B	T (°C)	PH ₂ (atm)	time (h)	conv. (%)	e.e. (%)
1	2	225:1:15	50	15	18	5–15	
2	2	225:1:15	20	25	18	5	
3	2	225:1:15	50	25	18	70–95	
4	3	200:1:8	50	10	14	14	
5	4	225:1:15	50	25	18	80	
6	5	225:1:15	50	25	24	3	<5
7	6	225:1:15	50	25	18	4	61
8	7	225:1:15	20	25	18	4	
9	7	225:1:15	50	25	18	99	

^a S = PhCOMe, C = catalyst, B = KOtBu.

3.1.2. – Reduction with molecular hydrogen – Cobalt Catalysts

A-Co-1 – Esters

D. Srimani, A. Mukherjee, A. F. G. Goldberg, G. Leitus, Y. Diskin-Posner, L. J. W. Shimon, Y. Ben David and D. Milstein, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2015**, *54*, 12357-12360.

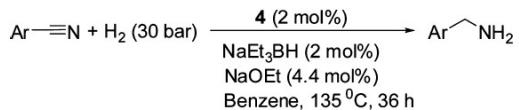
Entry	Ester	t [h]	Mol%	Product	Yield [%] ^[b]
1		38	2	cyclohexanol hexanol	85 79
2		43	2	hexanol	67
		43	4	hexanol	87
3		48	2	pentanol	67
		48	4	pentanol	85
4 ^[c]		48	2	cyclohexanol	61
5 ^[c]		48	2	tert-butanol	67
6 ^[c]		48	4	cycloheptanol	83
7 ^[c]		48	4	cyclohexylmethanol	51
8		48	4	3-methylbutan-1-ol	65
		70	4	3-methylbutan-1-ol	80
9 ^[c]		48	4	2-heptanol	52
10 ^[c]		48	4	phenol	65
11		70	4	1,4-pentanediol	50
12		48	4	no reaction	–
13		48	4	no reaction	–

[a] Reaction conditions: substrate (1.0 mmol), precatalyst **2** (4 mol%), NaHBET₃ (8 mol%), tBuOK (25 mol%), THF (1.0 mL), H₂ (50 bar), 130 °C.

[b] Yields were determined by GC. [c] Yields of methanol and ethanol are not reported.

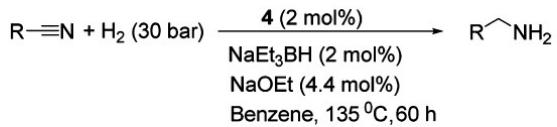
A-Co-1 – Nitriles

A. Mukherjee, D. Srimani, S. Chakraborty, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2015**, *137*, 8888-8891.



Entry	Substrate	Product	Conv. (%) ^b	Yield (%) ^b
1			99	99
2			99	99
3			99	99(85) ^c
4			99	99(88) ^c
5			99	99(92) ^c
6			93	83
7			87	78
8			99	99
9			97	93
10			30	6
11			98	57
12			98	98
13			95	86
14			77	71
15			35	30

^aConditions: nitrile (1 mmol), **4** (2.0 mol%), NaEt₃BH (2 mol%), NaOEt (4.4 mol%), H₂ (30 bar), and benzene (2 mL), heated in an autoclave at 135 °C bath temperature. ^bConversions and yields determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy with respect to toluene or dimethylformamide as an internal standard or by GC analysis. ^cYields in parentheses refer to isolated product.



Entry	Substrate	Product	Conv. (%) ^b	Yield (%)
1			85	85
2			99	99
3			86	86
4			85	85
5			-	-
6			90	90
7			67	67
8			70	65 ^c
9			99	65 ^c

^aConditions: nitrile (1 mmol), **4** (2.0 mol%), NaEt₃BH (2 mol%), NaOEt (4.4 mol%), H₂ (30 bar), and benzene (2 mL), heated in an autoclave at 135 °C bath temperature. ^bConversions and yields determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy with respect to toluene, dimethylformamide, pyridine, or mesitylene as an internal standard or by GC analysis. ^cFormation of secondary amine was observed.

C-Co-1 – Ketones & Aldehydes

G. Zhang, B. L. Scott and S. K. Hanson, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2012**, *51*, 12102–12106.

The reaction scheme illustrates the reduction of two types of substrates by the Co-1 catalyst. On the left, two general structures are shown: one for a carbonyl compound (R¹-C(=O)-R²) and one for an imine (N=C(R⁴)-R³). Both are shown reacting with H₂ in the presence of 1 (2 mol %) and H[BAr^F₄](Et₂O)₂ (2 mol %) in THF at 25–60°C to yield either an alcohol (R¹-CH(OH)-R²) or an amine (R³-NH-R⁴).

Entry	Substrate	Product	t [h]	Yield ^[f] [%] (NMR) ^[g] {GC} ^[h]
1			24	89 (98)
2 ^[b]			43	86 (94)
3 ^[b]			24	92 (98)
4 ^[b]			48	91 (99)
5 ^[b]			48	97 (99)
6 ^[b]			24	{100}
7 ^[c]			65	{99}
8			24	86 (92)
9			24	96 (100)
10 ^[d]			24	92 (98)
11 ^[d]			24	91 (99)
12 ^[e]			64	92 (100)
13 ^[e]			42	84 (89)
14 ^[e]			72	88 (98)
15 ^[e]			48	65 (70)

[a] Conditions: substrate (0.5 mmol) in THF (2 mL), H₂ (1 atm), 25 °C.

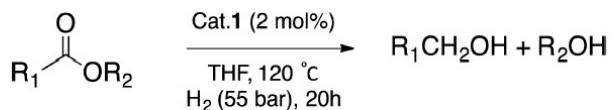
[b] Reactions run at 60 °C. [c] Reactions run at 25 °C under 4 atm of H₂.

[d] Reactions run at 50 °C. [e] Reactions run at 60 °C under 4 atm of H₂.

[f] Yields of isolated products. [g] Yields determined by NMR spectroscopy. [h] Yields determined by GC analysis.

C-Co-2 – Esters

J. Yuwen, S. Chakraborty, W. W. Brennessel and W. D. Jones, *ACS Catalysis*, **2017**, *7*, 3735-3740.



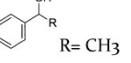
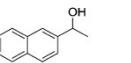
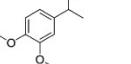
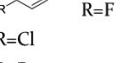
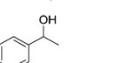
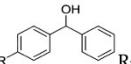
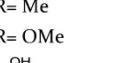
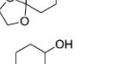
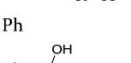
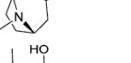
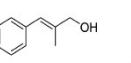
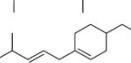
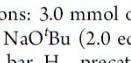
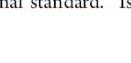
entry	substrate	conv. (%)	product	yield (%) ^b
1		97		97
2 ^d		24		15
3		94		90
4		32		30
5		82		67
6		45		26
7		91		89
8 ^d		100	 	66 ^c 35 ^c
9 ^d		100	 	2 ^c 98 ^c
10 ^d		64		8
11		0		0

^aReaction conditions: substrate (0.5 mmol), catalyst **1** (2 mol %), THF (1.0 mL), H₂ (55 bar), 120 °C, 20 h. ^bYields were determined by GC.

^cProduct yields are ratios at 100% conversion. Yields of methanol and ethanol are not reported. ^dToluene was used as solvent.

M-Co-1 – Ketones & Aldehydes

S. Rösler, J. Obenauf and R. Kempe, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2015**, *137*, 7998-8001.

Entry	Product	Cat. loading [mol%]	Yield ^[b] [%]
1		0.25	>99
2	R=CH ₂ CH ₃	0.5	>99
3	R=(CH ₂) ₄ CH ₃	0.5	>99
4	R=H	0.5	>99
5		0.5	>99
6		0.25	>99
7		1.0	98 (94 ^[c])
8	R=Cl	1.0	>99
9	R=Br	2.0	64
10		3.0	91
11		3.0	95
12		0.25	>99
13	R=Me	0.5	>99 (97 ^[c])
14	R=OMe	0.5	97
15		0.5	98
16		0.5	>99
17		0.25	>99
18	R=Ph	0.5	>99 (93 ^[c])
19		0.5	>99
20		1.0	>99 (92 ^[c])
21		0.5	>99
22		1.0	>99 (97 ^[c])
23		0.5	>99
24		0.5	>99 (95 ^[c])

^aReaction conditions: 3.0 mmol of carbonyl compound, 2.0 mL of 2-methyl-2-butanol, NaO*t*Bu (2.0 equiv with respect to the precatalyst), 20 °C, 24 h, 20 bar H₂, precatalyst **3**. ^bDetermined via GC with dodecane as internal standard. ^cIsolated yield.

M-Co-2 – Carboxylic Acids & Esters

T. J. Korstanje, J. Ivar van der Vlugt, C. J. Elsevier and B. de Bruin, *Science*, **2015**, *350*, 298-302.

Table 2. Hydrogenation of carboxylic acids using $\text{Co}(\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and triphos. General conditions used, unless otherwise noted, were 0.15 M substrate, 1:1 ratio of $\text{Co}(\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and triphos (mol % loading shown), distilled THF, 80 bar initial H_2 pressure, 100°C, 22 hours. In the substrate columns, catalyst amounts are given per acid group, and in the product columns, conversions are shown with GC yield/isolated yield in parentheses.

Substrate	Product	Substrate	Product(s)	Substrate	Product
5% (4h) 2.5%	>85 (65) >85 (62 / 39)	2.5%	>99 (71)	5%	95 (92)
5%	>99 (82 / 70)	10%	>99 (ether: 14, diol: 47)	0.25%*	94 (81)
5%	>99 (96 / 84)	2.5%	>85 (lactone: 23, diol: 61)	0.5%	>99 (76)
				0.25%	56 (22 [§])
5%	98 (98 / 82)	5%	>99 (95)		
		0.1%*	53 (17 / 5 [†])	125 ppm	97 (50)
5%	>90 (89 / 66)				

*Neat conditions. †36% GC yield and 24% isolated yield of butyl butyrate obtained. Isolated yields shown here are the amounts present in the isolated mixture of 1-butanol and butyl butyrate, because it proved difficult to separate these compounds by distillation (probably because of azeotrope formation). ‡31% ethyl acetate obtained. §29% methyl formate formed. ||Based on fluorne-19 nuclear magnetic resonance. Mass balance is completed by an unknown side product.

Table 1. Hydrogenation of esters using $\text{Co}(\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and triphos. General conditions used, unless otherwise noted, were 0.15 M substrate, 1:1 ratio of $\text{Co}(\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ and triphos (mol % loading shown), distilled MeOH, 80 bar initial H_2 pressure, 100°C, 22 hours. In the substrate columns, catalyst amounts are given per ester group, and in the product columns, conversions are given with gas chromatography (GC) yields in parentheses.

Substrate	Product	Substrate	Product(s)
10% (5h)	98 (95)	10%	98 (ether: 25, diol: 63)
5%	99 (79)		
10%	>99 (98)	10%	86 (75)
5%	50 (47)	10%	>75 (72)
10%	>99 (90)		

M-Co-3 – Nitriles

R. Adam, C. B. Bheeter, J. R. Cabrero-Antonino, K. Junge, R. Jackstell and M. Beller, *ChemSusChem*, 2017, 10, 842-846.

Table 1. Hydrogenation of various aromatic nitriles. ^[a]						
	Ar \equiv N	Co(acac) ₃ (4 mol%) L3 (1:1 equiv to Co) KOtBu (10 mol%)	$\xrightarrow{\text{H}_2 \text{ (30 bar), } T \text{ (}^{\circ}\text{C)}}$ tBuOH, 18 h	Ar ---NH_2		
Entry	Nitrile	Amine	T [°C]	Conv. [%] ^[b]	Yield [%] ^[b]	
1	<chem>c#N</chem>	<chem>c#N>[Co]([OEt])(acac)(acac)[OEt]<#N</chem></chem>	80	100	99 ^[e]	
2 ^[d]	<chem>c1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>c1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	120	100	98	
3	<chem>C(C)(C)c1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>C(C)(C)c1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	80	100	98	
4	<chem>Oc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>Oc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	100	100	97	
5	<chem>Oc1ccc(C#N)c(O)c1</chem>	<chem>Oc1ccc(CN)c(O)c1</chem>	80	100	96	
6	<chem>Oc1ccc(C#N)c(O)c1</chem>	<chem>Oc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	100	100	76	
7 ^[d]	<chem>CSc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>CSc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	120	100	77 ^[e]	
8	<chem>Nc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>Nc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	120	100	97	
9	<chem>Nc1ccc(C#N)nc1</chem>	<chem>Nc1ccc(CN)nc1</chem>	100	100	83	
10 ^[c]	<chem>Nc1ccc(C#N)nc1</chem>	<chem>Nc1ccc(CN)nc1</chem>	120	100	86	
11	<chem>F(F)(F)c1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>F(F)(F)c1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	100	100	99	
12	<chem>Fc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>Fc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	100	100	96	
13	<chem>Clc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>Clc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	120	100	86	
14	<chem>Clc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>Clc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	120	100	87	
15	<chem>NC(=O)Nc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>NC(=O)Nc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	80	100	96 ^[e]	
16	<chem>C#Nc1ccncc1</chem>	<chem>Nc1ccncc1</chem>	80	100	99	
17	<chem>C#Nc1ccncc1</chem>	<chem>Nc1ccncc1</chem>	120	100	98	
18 ^[c]	<chem>C#Nc1c[nH]cn1</chem>	<chem>Nc1c[nH]cn1</chem>	140	100	79	
19	<chem>C#Nc1c[nH]cn1</chem>	<chem>Nc1c[nH]cn1</chem>	120	100	86 ^[e]	
20	<chem>C#Nc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>C#Nc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	80	100	61 ^[e]	
21	<chem>C#Nc1ccc(C#N)cc1</chem>	<chem>Nc1ccc(CN)cc1</chem>	120	100	80 ^[e]	

Table 1. (Continued)

Entry	Nitrile	Amine	T [°C]	Conv. [%] ^[b]	Yield [%] ^[b]
22 ^[d]			120	100	79 ^[e]

[a] Standard reaction conditions: nitrile (0.25 mmol), Co(acac)₃ (4 mol%), L3 (4.4 mol%), KOtBu (10 mol%), dry tBuOH (2 mL) under 30 bar of H₂, during 18 h. [b] Conversion and yield were calculated by GC using hexadecane as external standard. [c] Co(acac)₃ (8 mol%). [d] Run at 48 h. [e] Yield of product isolated as the ammonium salt.

Table 2. Hydrogenation of various aliphatic nitriles.^[a]

Entry	Nitrile	Amine	Conv. [%] ^[b]	Yield [%] ^[b]
1			100	83
2			100	99
3			100	91
4 ^[d]			100	99
5 ^[d]			100	98
6 ^[d]			100	70 ^[e]
7			100	99
8			100	90
9 ^[d]			100	92
10 ^[d]			100	71
11 ^[d]			100	87
12			100	89

[a] Standard reaction conditions: nitrile (0.25 mmol), Co(acac)₃ (5 mol%), L3 (5.5 mol%), KOtBu (10 mol%), dry tBuOH (2 mL) under 30 bar of H₂ during 24 h. [b] Conversion and yield were calculated by GC using hexadecane as external standard. [c] Run at 48 h. [d] Co(acac)₃ (8 mol%). [e] Yield of product isolated as the ammonium salt.

3.1.3. – Reduction with molecular hydrogen – Manganese Catalysts

A-Mn-1 – Esters

N. A. Espinosa-Jalapa, A. Nerush, L. J. W. Shimon, G. Leitus, L. Avram, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Chemistry – A European Journal*, **2017**, *23*, 5934–5938.

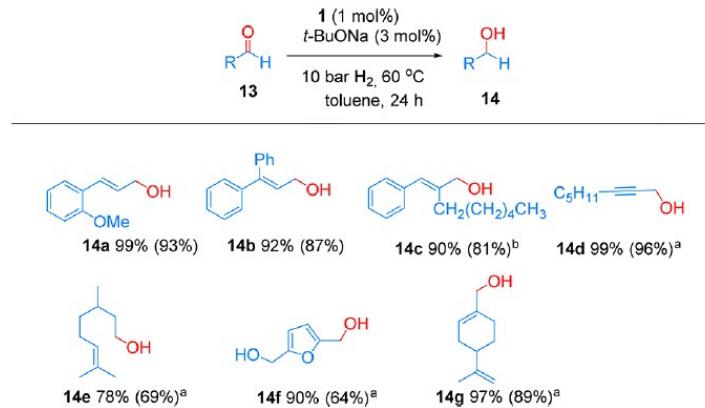
Table 2. Catalytic hydrogenation of esters using the manganese precatalyst **1**.^[a]

Entry	Ester	$\text{1 (1\%)} / \text{KH (2\%)}$	100C / 20 bar / Tol	$\text{R}^{\text{C}}\text{O}-\text{R}'$	$\text{R}^{\text{C}}\text{OH} + \text{R}'\text{OH}$	Yield [%] ^[c]	
				t [h]	Conv [%] ^[b]		
1				23	99		99
2 ^[c]				50	99		98
3 ^[c]				43	99		99
4 ^[c]				43	99		98
5 ^[c]				21	99		99
6				22	99		99/90
7				43	99		99
8 ^[c]				50	99		98
9 ^[c]				28	95		94
10 ^[c]				28	99		99
11				36	99		98 ^[d]
12				28	99		78/99
13 ^[e]				60	99		97/96
14 ^[c,f]				60	75		60

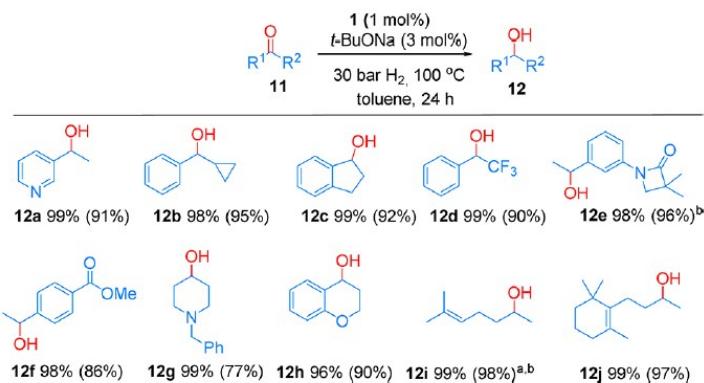
[a] Reaction conditions: substrate (1.0 mmol), toluene (1.0 mL), internal standard (xylene, 1 mmol), 100 °C. [b] Conversions and yields were determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy with an internal standard (xylene). Products confirmed by GC-MS. [c] Yields of methanol and ethanol are not reported (see Supporting Information). [d] The diol is insoluble in the reaction mixture. Isolated yield. [e] No hydrogenation of the vinyl group was observed. [f] **1** (3%)/KH (6%). No hydrogenation of the nitrile group was detected.

C-Mn-1 – Aldehydes, Ketones & Nitriles

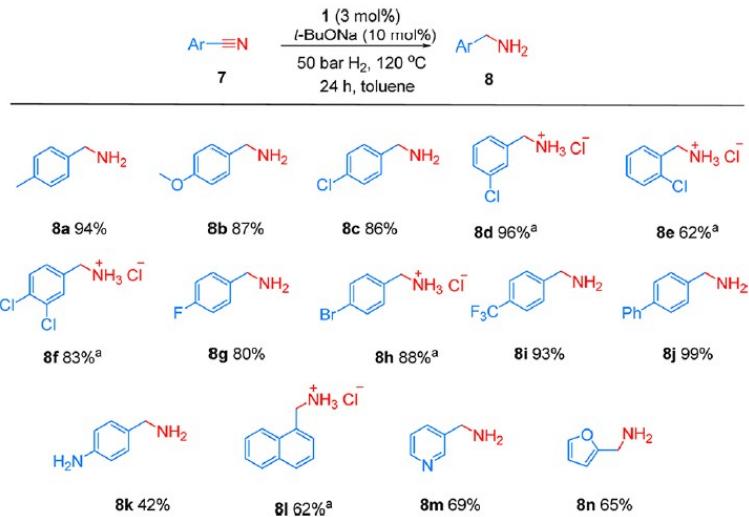
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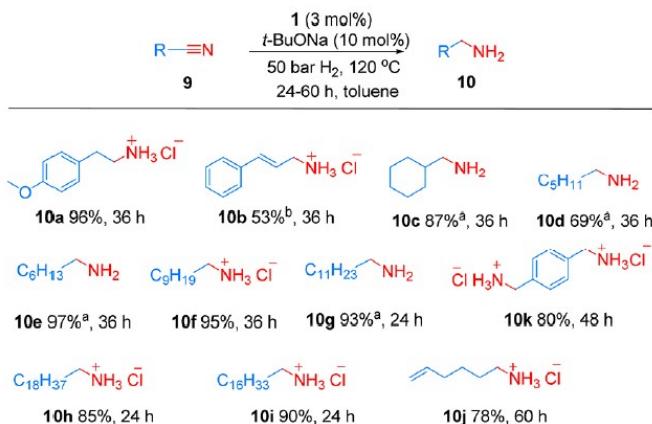
^a100 °C, 30 bar H₂. ^b3% saturated alcohol observed. Reaction conditions: substrate (1 mmol), **1** (0.01 mmol), t-BuONa (0.03 mmol), toluene (1 mL), 24 h, 60 °C, 10 bar H₂. Conversion was determined by GC (isolated yield in parentheses).



^aGC yield. ^b48 h. Reaction conditions: substrate (1 mmol), **1** (0.01 mmol), t-BuONa (0.03 mmol), toluene (1 mL), 24–48 h, 100 °C, 30 bar H₂. Conversion was determined by GC (isolated yield in parentheses).



^aIsolated yield. Reaction conditions: substrate (0.5 mmol), **1** (0.015 mmol), *t*-BuONa (0.05 mmol), toluene (1 mL), 24 h, 120 °C, 50 bar H₂. Conversion (>99%) and yield were determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard.



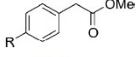
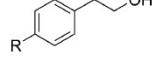
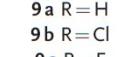
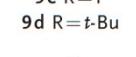
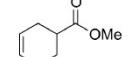
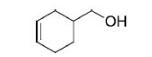
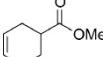
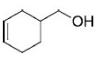
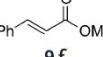
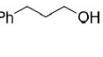
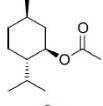
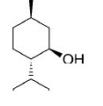
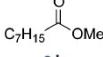
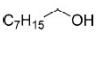
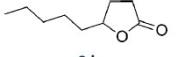
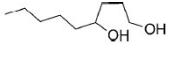
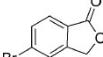
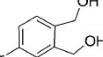
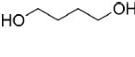
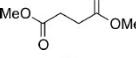
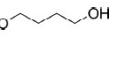
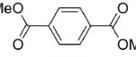
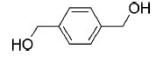
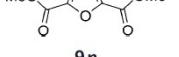
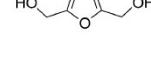
^aGC yield. ^b25% corresponding saturated amine. Reaction conditions: substrate (0.5 mmol), **1** (0.015 mmol), *t*-BuONa (0.05 mmol), toluene (1 mL), 24–60 h, 100–120 °C, 50 bar H₂. Isolated as a HCl salt. Conversion (>99%) was determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard.

C-Mn-2/3 – Esters

S. Elangovan, M. Garbe, H. Jiao, A. Spannenberg, K. Junge and M. Beller, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2016**, *55*, 15364-15368.

Entry	Substrate	R ¹	R ²	Yield ^[b] 7 [%]	
				7	8
1	6a	C ₆ H ₅	Me	97 ^[c]	
2	6b	C ₆ H ₅	t-Bu	98 ^[c]	
3	6c	p-MeC ₆ H ₄	Me	86	
4	6d	p-MeOC ₆ H ₄	Me	95	
5	6e	p-CF ₃ C ₆ H ₄	Me	75	
6	6f	p-ClC ₆ H ₄	Me	91	
7	6g	p-FC ₆ H ₄	Me	89	
8	6h	2-MeOC ₆ H ₄	Me	95	
9	6i	3,4,5-(MeO) ₃ C ₆ H ₂	Me	89	
10	6j	2,5-Cl ₂ C ₆ H ₃	Me	87	
11	6k	2-naphthyl	Me	86	
12	6l	2-furyl	Me	87 ^[c]	
13	6m	3-pyridinyl	Me	78 ^[c]	

[a] Substrate (1 mmol), **3** (2 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), 24 h, 110 °C, 30 bar H₂. [b] Yields of isolated products are given. [c] Determined by GC analysis using hexadecane as an internal standard.

Entry	Ester	Alcohol	Conv. (yield) [%]
1			>99 (79)
2			>99 (87)
3			>99 (93)
4			>99 (95)
5 ^[b,d]			98 (83)
6			>99 (93)
7 ^[c]			97 (88)
8 ^[d]			92 (71)
9			>99 (82)
10			>79 (57)
11 ^[d]			>99 (88)
12 ^[c,d]			>93 (66)
13			>99 (95)
14 ^[c]			>99 (58)

[a] Substrate (1 mmol), 3 (2 mol%), 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), 24 h, 110°C, 30 bar H₂. The conversions were determined by GC using hexadecane as an internal standard. Yields of isolated products are given in parentheses. [b] 48 h. [c] 3 (3 mol%), 48 h, 120°C. [d] The GC yield was determined using hexadecane as an internal standard.

C-Mn-4 – Ketones

M. Garbe, K. Junge, S. Walker, Z. Wei, H. Jiao, A. Spannenberg, S. Bachmann, M. Scalone and M. Beller, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, DOI: 10.1002/anie.201705471.

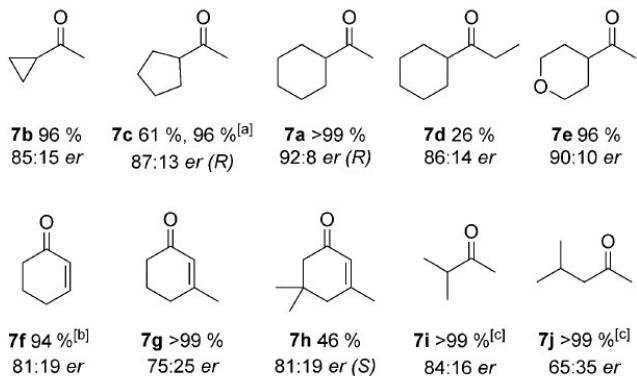


Figure 3. Manganese-catalyzed hydrogenation of aliphatic ketones.
General conditions: Substrate (1 mmol), **6** (1 mol %), KOtBu (5 mol %), *tert*-amyl alcohol (2 mL), 4 h, 40 °C, 30 bar H₂. Conversion was determined by GC using hexadecane as an internal standard.
[a] 4 h, 80 °C. [b] **6** (2 mol %), toluene (2 mL), 4 h, 50 °C. 6% cyclohexanol. [c] **6** (2 mol %), *tert*-amyl alcohol (2 mL), 4 h, 80 °C.

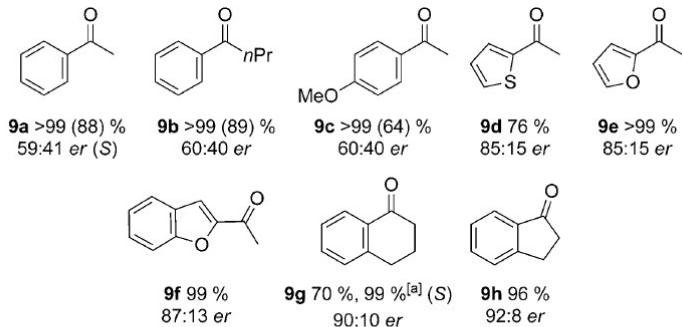
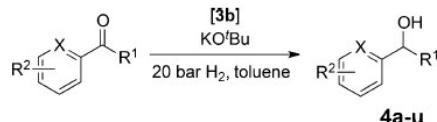


Figure 4. Manganese-catalyzed asymmetric hydrogenation of aromatic ketones. General conditions: substrate (1 mmol), **6** (1 mol %), KOtBu (5 mol %), 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), 4 h, 30 °C, 30 bar H₂. Conversion was determined by GC using hexadecane as an internal standard (Yields of isolated product in parentheses). [a] At 60 °C.

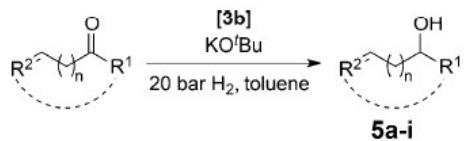
M-Mn-1 – Ketones

F. Kallmeier, T. Irrgang, T. Dietel and R. Kempe, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2016**, *55*, 11806–11809.



Entry	Product	Cat. load-ing [%]	Yield ^[d] [%]
1		R=CH ₃ 4a 0.1	>99
2		R=CH ₂ CH ₃ 4b 0.2	97
3		R=(CH ₂) ₂ CH ₃ 4c 1	>99
4		R=(CH ₂) ₃ CH ₃ 4d 1	>99 (98 ^[c])
5		R=CH(CH ₃) ₂ 4e 1 ^[e]	99
6		R=C(CH ₃) ₃ 4f 1 ^[e]	82
7		R=Cl 4g 0.1	97 (96 ^[c])
8		R=Br 4h 0.1	97 (95 ^[c])
9		R=OCH ₃ 4i 0.2	>99 (91 ^[c])
10		R=CN 4j 2	89
11		R=C(O)OMe 4k 1	52 ^[c]
12		R=CH ₃ 4l 0.2	>99
13		R=Cl 4m 0.2	98
14		R=F 4n 1	>99 (92 ^[c])
15			4o 0.5 >99 (92 ^[c])
16		R ³ =H, R ⁴ =H 4p 0.5	>99
17		R ³ =CH ₃ , R ⁴ =H 4q 0.5	75
18		R ³ =H, R ⁴ =CH ₃ 4r 0.5	>99
19		R ³ =H, R ⁴ =OCH ₃ 4s 0.5	>99 (93 ^[c])
20		R=H 4t 0.1 ^[b]	>99
21		R=NO ₂ 4u 1	>99

[a] Reaction conditions: 3 mmol substrate, pre-catalyst **3 b**, KO*t*Bu, 1.5 mL toluene, 20 bar H₂, 80 °C, 4 h. [b] 40 °C. [c] Yield of isolated product. [d] Determined by GC with dodecane as internal standard. [e] 24 h.

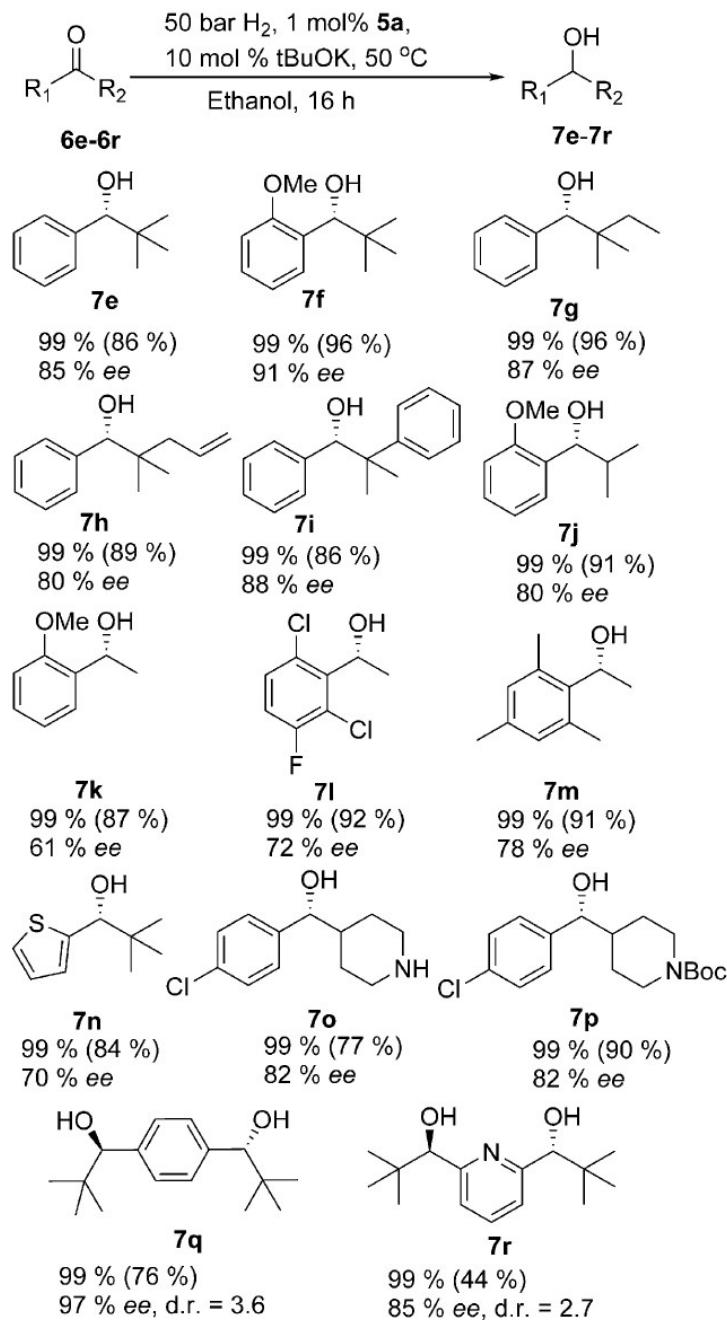


Entry	Product	Cat. loading [%]	Yield ^[b] [%]
1		5a 0.5	> 99
2		5b 0.2	95
3		5c 1	88
4		5d 0.1	> 99 (95 ^[e])
5		5e 0.2	98 (86 ^[c])
6		5f 0.1	98
7		5g 0.2	96
8		5h 1	58
9		5i 1	97

[a] Reaction conditions: 3 mmol substrate, pre-catalyst **3b**, KO'Bu, 1.5 mL toluene, 20 bar H₂, 80 °C, 4 h. [b] Determined by GC with dodecane as internal standard. [c] Yield of isolated product.

M-Mn-2 – Ketones & Esters

M. B. Widegren, G. J. Harkness, A. M. Z. Slawin, D. B. Cordes and M. L. Clarke, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2017**, *56*, 5825-5828.



Scheme 1. A range of functionalized ketones hydrogenated in presence of the chiral Mn catalyst **5a**. Typical reaction conditions: 0.34 mmol substrate, 0.003 mmol catalyst, 0.034 mmol base and internal standard (0.06 mmol) in 1.6 mL ethanol (0.2 M) under 50 bar of H_2 at 50 °C for 16 h.

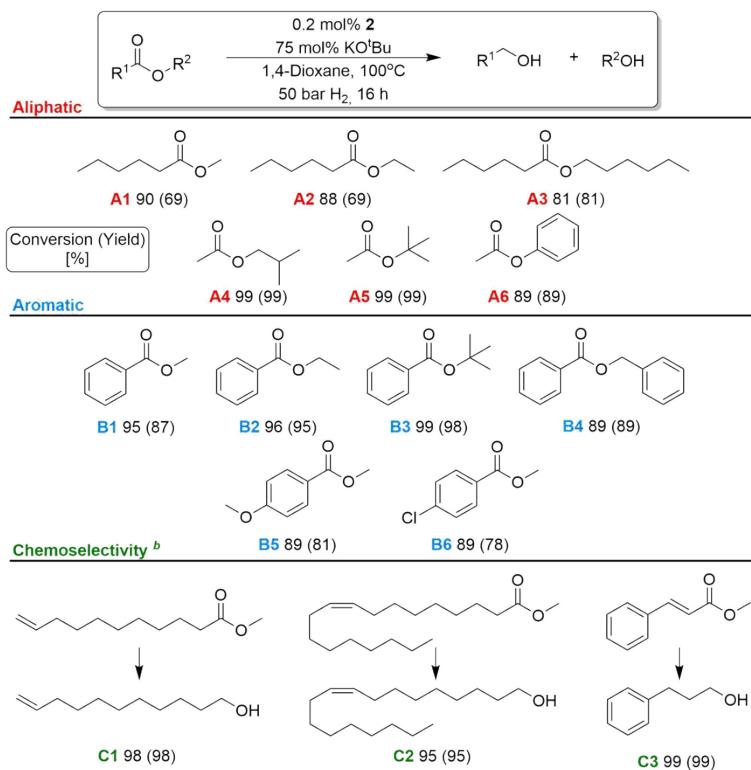
Table 2: Hydrogenation of esters.^[a]

Entry	R ₁	R ₂	Conversion ^[b]
			[%]
1	8a	4-F-Ph	CH ₃ 99 (86)
2	8b	2-Br-Ph	CH ₃ 99 (90)
3	8c	Ph(CH ₂) ₂ -	CH ₂ CH ₃ 99 (84)
4	8d	4-H ₂ N-Ph	CH ₃ 91 (80)
5	8e	4-O ₂ N-Ph	CH ₂ CH ₃ 0
6	8f	2-Naphth	CH ₃ 99 (87)
7	8g	4-(Ph-C≡C)-C ₆ H ₄	CH ₃ 99 (n.d) ^[c]
8	8h	nPr	nBu 82 ^[d]
9	8i	MeO ₂ C-Cyclohex-CO ₂ Me	99 (86) ^[e]

[a] Typical reaction conditions: 0.34 mmol substrate, 0.003 mmol catalyst, 0.034 mmol base and internal standard (0.06 mmol) in 1.6 mL isopropanol (0.2 M) under 50 bar of H₂ at 75 °C for 16 h. [b] Conversion was estimated by ¹H-NMR using 1-methylnaphthalene as internal standard (8–10 µL). Isolated yield in brackets. [c] ¹H-NMR analysis showed the presence of ≈20% alkene. [d] Reaction run neat with 0.1 mol % **5a** and 2 mol % base at 90 °C for 15 h. [e] A 50:50 mixture of *cis* and *trans* isomers.

M-Mn-3 – Esters

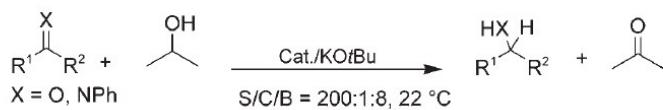
R. van Putten, E. A. Uslamin, M. Garbe, C. Liu, A. Gonzalez-de-Castro, M. Lutz, K. Junge, E. J. M. Hensen, M. Beller, L. Lefort and E. A. Pidko, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2017**, *56*, 7531–7534.



3.2.1.– Transfer Hydrogenation – Iron Catalysts

TH-Fe-1 – Ketones & Imines

C. Sui-Seng, F. Freutel, A. J. Lough and R. H. Morris, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2008**, 47, 940-943.



Entry	Substrate	<i>t</i> [h]	Conv. [%]	<i>ee</i> [%]	TOF [h ⁻¹]
1 ^[b]	Ph-CO-Me	0.4	95	29 (<i>S</i>)	907
2 ^[c]	Ph-CO-Me	0.7	33	39 (<i>S</i>)	93
3	Ph-CO-Me	0.4	95	33 (<i>S</i>)	454
4	(2'-Cl-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	0.2	>99	18 (<i>S</i>)	995
5	(3'-Cl-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	0.4	99	24 (<i>S</i>)	495
6	(4'-Cl-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	0.2	94	26 (<i>S</i>)	938
7	(4'-Br-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	0.2	93	33 (<i>S</i>)	930
8	(4'-Me-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	0.6	86	33 (<i>S</i>)	279
9	(4'-OMe-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	0.5	69	23 (<i>S</i>)	260
10	Ph-CO-Et	3.6	95	61 (<i>S</i>)	26
11	C ₁₀ H ₇ -CO-Me ^[d]	0.3	94	25 (<i>S</i>)	564
12	Ph-CO-Ph	0.4	94	–	470
13	Ph-(CH ₂) ₂ -CO-Me	0.6	100	29 (<i>S</i>)	315
14	Ph-CHO	2.4	94	–	77
15	Ph-CH=N-Ph	17	100	–	12
16	Ph-CMe=N-Ph	17	<5	–	–
17	cyclohexanone	17	0	–	–
18	Ph-CO-Me ^[e]	2.6	34	76 (<i>S</i>)	28

[a] The reactions were carried out in a glovebox under Ar at 22°C. S/C/B = 200:1:8, [cat.] = 1.04 mM, 5 mL *i*PrOH. The catalyst is **3** unless otherwise noted. [b] S/C/B = 400:1:8, [cat.] = 0.1 mM, 10 mL *i*PrOH. [c] S/C/B = 200:1:2, [cat.] = 0.1 mM, 5 mL *i*PrOH. [d] C₁₀H₇-CO-Me = 2-acetonaphthone. [e] Reaction catalyzed by **4**. S/C/B = substrate/catalyst/base.

TH-Fe-2 – Ketones

A. Mikhailine, A. J. Lough and R. H. Morris, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2009**, *131*, 1394-1395.

				(S)		
	substrate	S/C/B	time (min)	conv (%)	ee (%)	TOF (h⁻¹) ^a
1	Ph-CO-Me	600/1/8	8/30	75/90	83/12	3400
2	Ph-CO-Me	600/1/4	20	75	81	1350
3	Ph-CO-Me	2000/1/8	30	90	82	3600
4	Ph-CO-Me ^b	2000/1/8	30	75	84	3000
5	Ph-CO-Me ^c	2000/1/8	30	80	83	3200
6	Ph-CO-Et	1500/1/8	25	90	94	3375
7	Ph-CO-tBu	500/1/8	200	35	99	53
8	Ph-CO-(cyclo-C ₄ H ₇)	1000/1/8	40	95	94	1425
9	Ph-CO-(cyclo-C ₆ H ₁₁)	1000/1/8	85	76	26	536
10	PhCH ₂ CH ₂ -CO-Me	1000/1/8	30	98	14	1960
11	(4'-Cl-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	1500/1/8	18	96	80	4800
12	(3'-Cl-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	1000/1/8	13	98	80	4523
13	(4'-MeO-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	1000/1/8	40	65	54	930
14	(3'-MeO-C ₆ H ₄)-CO-Me	1500/1/8	30	80	85	2400
15	iPr-CO-Me	1500/1/8	60	86	50	1280
17	1-aceto-naphthone	1500/1/8	60	93	92	1380
18	2-aceto-naphthone	1000/1/8	11	90	84	4900
19	Ph-CH=N-Ph	1000/1/8	240	41	—	100

^a TOF is calculated at the conversion and the first time noted.
^b NaOtBu was used as a base. ^c KOH was used as a base.

TH-Fe-3 – Ketones

K. Z. Demmans, O. W. K. Ko and R. H. Morris, *RSC Advances*, **2016**, *6*, 88580-88587.

	1, TBA ⁺ BF ₄ ⁻ , KHCOO	1:1 water:MeTHF, 65 °C		sub:cat time	conv. (yield) ^b e.e.
	100:1 1.5 h	20% 1%			
	100:1 1.5 h	35% 0%			
	100:1 1.5 h	>99% (85%) 53%		200:1 1.5 h	>99% 31%
	100:1 1.3 h	94%			
	100:1 1.3 h	>99% (97%) 76%		100:1 1 h	>99% (96%) 59%
	100:1 1 h	>99% 65%		200:1 1 h	99% (96%) 55%
	200:1 1 h	>99% 52%		200:1 1 h	>99% (93%) 66%
	200:1 1 h	>99%		200:1 1 h	91% 24%
	200:1 1 h	>99% N/A ^c		200:1 1 h	>99% (98%) 52%

Fig. 4 Substrate scope under optimized conditions^a. ^a Constant argon flow was used to purge the reaction flask. All values are in equivalents relative to the iron catalyst: 0.006 mmol 1, 2000 eq. KHCOO, 1 eq. TBA⁺BF₄⁻, 2 mL reaction volume (1 : 1 water : MeTHF), 600 RPM stirring rate. ^b Isolated yield using the specifications found in the ESI.† ^c Gas chromatography could not separate the (R) and (S) alcohols accurately.

Table 1. Transfer hydrogenation of ketones and imines catalyzed by complexes **2a to **2c**.** General conditions for ketones: [Cat] = 6.73×10^{-5} M, [KO*t*Bu] = 5.45×10^{-4} M, [ketone] = 0.412 M, [*t*PrOH] = 12.4 M, 28°C; for imines: [Cat, **2a**] = 5.89×10^{-4} M, [KO*t*Bu] = 4.71×10^{-3} M, [imine] = 5.89×10^{-2} M, [*t*PrOH] = 12.4 M, 28°C. The absolute configurations were obtained by gas chromatography or high-performance liquid chromatography by comparison to known standards.

The reaction scheme shows two main pathways. On the left, a ketone (R¹-C(=O)-R²) reacts with 0.016 to 0.05 mol% of catalysts **2a** to **2c** in the presence of 0.033 - 0.40 mol% KO*t*Bu in *t*PrOH at 28°C over 10 s to 1 hour, yielding a chiral alcohol product. On the right, an imine (R¹-C=N-CH₂-Me) reacts with 1.0 mol% of catalyst **2a** and 8 mol% KO*t*Bu in *t*PrOH at 28°C over 10 s to 3 min, also yielding a chiral amine product.

	Comparison of catalysts				Amine products using 2a	
	2a	2b	2b*	2c	2a	2a
Time to equil.:	180 s	180 s	1000 s	180 s	180 s	20 s
Yield:	82%	83%	83%	82%	99%	100%
TON at equil.:	5000	5100	5100	5000	6060	2000
TOF at 50% conv.:	119 s ⁻¹	152 s ⁻¹	12 s ⁻¹	70 s ⁻¹	147 s ⁻¹	200 s ⁻¹
ee at 10 s:	88%	86%	86%	92%	91%	>99%
ee at equil.:	78%	70%	80%	90%	90%	>99%
Alcohol products using 2a						
Time to equil.:	180 s	1 h	10 min	1 h	6 min	25 s
Yield:	84%	73%	88%	67%	98%	99%
TON at equil.:	5140	4470	5400	4100	6000	5140
TOF at 50% conv.:	158 s ⁻¹	4 s ⁻¹	38 s ⁻¹	3 s ⁻¹	100 s ⁻¹	61 s ⁻¹
ee at 10 s:	92%	34%	-	57%	25%	51%
ee at equil.:	83%	33%	-	54%	24%	31%

*[Cat, **2b**] = 6.73×10^{-5} M, [KO*t*Bu] = 1.35×10^{-4} M, [substrate] = 0.412 M, [*t*PrOH] = 12.4 M, 28°C. †Ketone: Cat ratio = 2000:1 to prevent poisoning by the acidic alcohol product.

3.2.2. – Transfer Hydrogenation – Cobalt Catalysts

C-Co-2 – Ketones, Aldehydes & Imines

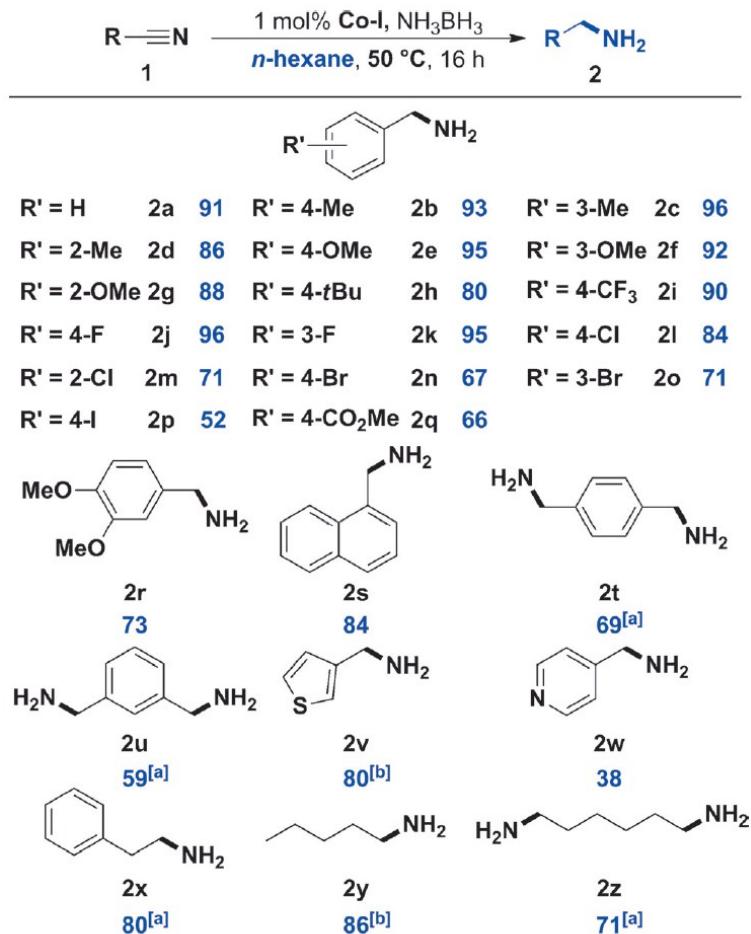
G. Zhang and S. K. Hanson, *Chemical Communications*, 2013, 49, 10151-10153.

Entry	Substrate	Product	Isolated yield (%)
1			94
2			95
3			99
4			98
5 ^b			95
6			98
7 ^b			99 ^c
8			95 ^c
9			96 ^{c,d}
10			95
11 ^b			92
12			97
13 ^b			95
14 ^b			98
15 ^b			96
16 ^b			95

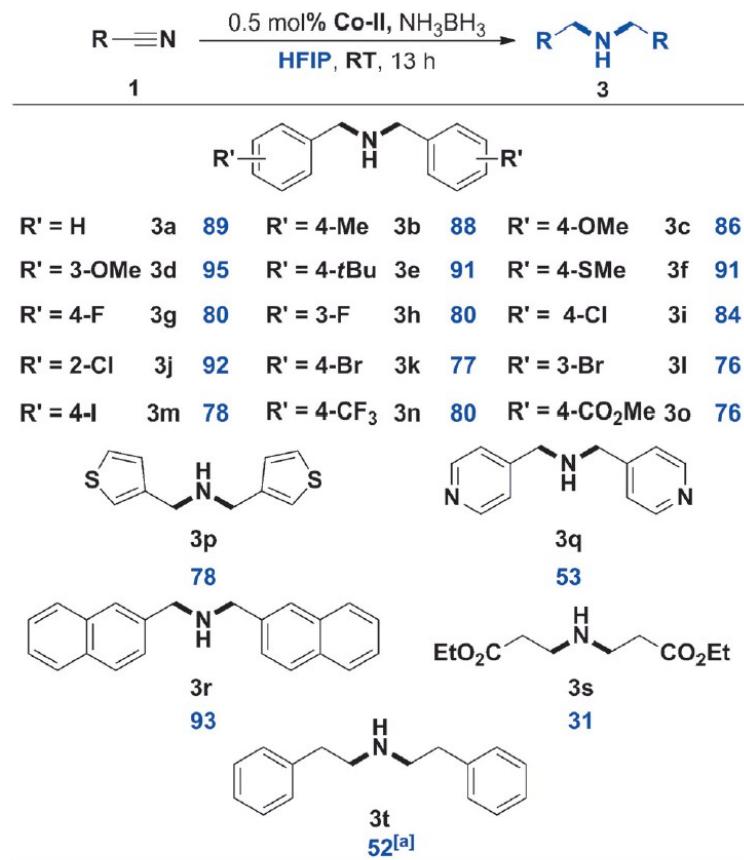
^a Conditions: substrate (0.5 mmol) in isopropanol–THF (3:1 (v/v), 2 mL), 25 °C, 24 h. ^b Reactions run at 80 °C. ^c GC yield. ^d Ratio of *cis*:*trans* alcohol = 33:67.

TH-Co-1/2 – Nitriles

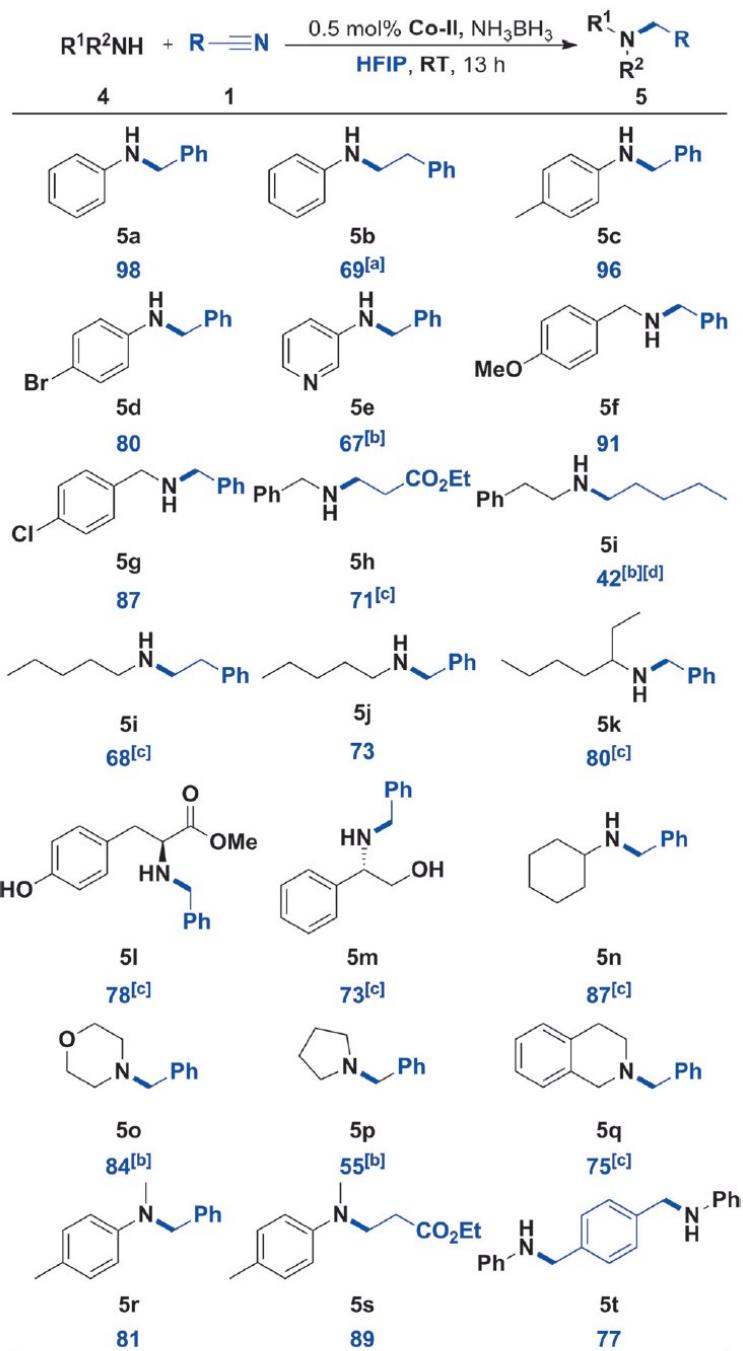
Z. Shao, S. Fu, M. Wei, S. Zhou and Q. Liu, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2016**, *55*, 14653–14657.



Scheme 3. Cobalt-catalyzed transfer hydrogenation of nitriles to primary amines. Reaction conditions: **1** (0.5 mmol), **AB** (0.8 mmol) in 1 mL of *n*-hexane, GC yield (%) were shown using biphenyl as the internal standard. [a] The reaction temperature was 100 °C. [b] The reaction temperature was 120 °C.



Scheme 4. Cobalt-catalyzed transfer hydrogenation of nitriles to symmetric secondary amines. Reaction conditions: **1** (0.5 mmol), AB (0.8 mmol) in 2 mL of HFIP. Isolated yields (%) are shown. [a] The reaction temperature was 50°C. HFIP=Hexafluoroisopropanol.



Scheme 5. Cobalt-catalyzed reductive amination of nitriles to unsymmetric secondary and tertiary amines. Reaction conditions: 1 (0.6 mmol), 4 (0.5 mmol), AB (0.8 mmol) in 2 mL of HFIP. Isolated yields (%) are shown. [a] 1 (0.5 mmol), 4 (0.6 mmol). [b] 1 (0.5 mmol), 4 (2 mmol). [c] 1 (0.5 mmol), 4 (1 mmol). [d] The reaction was carried out in 2 mL of *n*-hexane at 100°C.

3.2.3. – Transfer Hydrogenation – Manganese Catalysts

C-Mn-1a/b, C-Mn-2 & TH-Mn-3 – Ketones

M. Perez, S. Elangovan, A. Spannenberg, K. Junge and M. Beller, *ChemSusChem*, **2017**, *10*, 83-86.

Table 2. Transfer hydrogenation of ketones with complex 5. ^[a]				
Entry	Substrate	Product	Conv. ^[b] [%]	Yield [%]
1			96	96 ^[e]
2			96	91
3			97	90
4			86	84
5			97 ^[c]	84
6			97	79
7			> 99	95
8			> 99	99
9			> 99 ^[c]	91
10			> 99 ^[c]	99
11			> 99 ^[c]	72
12			> 99 ^[c]	96
13			95	95
14			> 99	98
15			77 ^[c]	73
16			96 ^[c]	64
17			> 99	90
18			> 99	90 ^[d]
19			> 99 ^[c]	97

Table 2. (Continued)

Entry	Substrate	Product	Conv. ^[b] [%]	Yield [%]
20			97 ^[c]	96 ^[e]
21			>99 ^[c]	93
22			>99 ^[c]	97
23			>99 ^[c]	96

[a] Reaction conditions: substrate (0.5 mmol), complex **5** (0.005 mmol), *t*BuOK (0.01 mmol), *i*PrOH (2.5 mL), 70 °C, 24 h. [b] Conversion was determined by GC. Isolated yield is given. [c] Reaction conditions: substrate (0.50 mmol), complex (0.025 mmol), *t*BuOK (0.030 mmol), *i*PrOH (2.5 mL), 70 °C, 24 h. [d] Isolated as the HCl salt. [e] GC yield.

TH-Mn-1 – Ketones

A. Zirakzadeh, S. R. M. M. de Aguiar, B. Stöger, M. Widhalm and K. Kirchner, *ChemCatChem*, **2017**, *9*, 1744–1748.

Table 2. THY results obtained with complex (<i>R,R,S_F</i>)-2 a. ^[a]					
	Substrate	1 mol% cat <i>i</i> PrOH, r.t., 5–16h <i>t</i> BuOK (4 mol%)	t [h]	Conversion [%]	ee ^[b] [%]
1			5	95	85
2			16	73	65
3			16	77	69
4			5	94	83
5			5	90	76
6			5	95	84
7			5	96	85
8			6	93	84
9			6	62	82
10			16	58	79
11			16	60	46
12			16	37	20
13			5	80	74

[a] Reaction conditions: Substrate (1 mmol), catalyst (0.01 mmol), KO*t*Bu (0.04 mmol), *i*PrOH (5 mL), 25 °C. [b] Acetophenone, 2-fluoroacetophenone, 2-chloroacetophenone, 4-trifluoromethylacetophenone, 4-methoxyacetophenone, 4-methylacetophenone, phenyl ethyl ketone, and 1-tetralone determined by GC on a β-Dex 110 (30 m) column and phenyl benzyl ketone and 1,3-diphenylpropan-1-one determined by HPLC on a Chiralcel OD-H column. Acetylferrocene determined by HPLC on a Chiralcel OJ column.^[14]

TH-Mn-2 – Ketones

A. Bruneau-Voisine, D. Wang, V. Dorcet, T. Roisnel, C. Darcel and J.-B. Sortais, *Organic Letters*, **2017**, *19*, 3656-3659.

entry	substrate	product	conv (yield)	
			at 80 °C, 20 min	at 30 °C, 16 h
1			b1, X = H, Y = Me b2, X = H, Y = Et b3, X = H, Y = iPr b4, X = H, Y = tBu b5, X = H, Y = cyclopropyl b6, X = 2-Me, Y = Me b7, X = 4-Me, Y = Me	> 99 (93) 99 > 99 (95) 92 77 (62) 94 (88) 95 (87)
2			b8	97
3				94 (89)
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24			b24	98 ^[g]
25			b25	95 (93)
26			b26, n = 1	> 99 (99)
27			b27, n = 2	96
28			b28	> 99 (99) ^[h]
29			b29	73
30			b30	67
31			b31	90 ^[i]
32			b32	100 (90) ^[f]
33			b33	92 (80) ^[i]
34			b34, 4-acetyl	94
35			b35, 2-acetyl	96 (96) ^[f]

^aTypical conditions: To a Schlenk tube, under argon, were added in this order: catalyst 1, iPrOH (0.25 mol L⁻¹), ketone or aldehyde (0.5 or 2 mmol), and tBuOK. The conversion was determined by ¹H NMR on the crude mixture. Isolated yield in parentheses. ^bSelectivity alcohol: aldol byproducts of 67:33. ^c5% of aldol condensation byproduct was detected in the crude mixture. ^d1 week, due to low solubility of the starting material. ^e72 h. ^f1 h. ^gSelectivity γ -valerolactone/Isopropyl-4-hydroxypentanoate 84/16 at 80 °C and 77/23 at 30 °C. ^h2 h, iPrOH 4 mL. ⁱEnol 95%, 4-phenylbutan-2-ol 5%. ^j2 h, 7% aldol condensation byproducts were detected in the crude mixture.

3.4.1. – Coupling and Dehydrogenation Reactions – Iron Catalysts

B-Fe-1 – Synthesis of Secondary Amines

M. Mastalir, B. Stöger, E. Pittenauer, M. Puchberger, G. Allmaier and K. Kirchner, *Advanced Synthesis & Catalysis*, **2016**, 358, 3824-3831.

M. Mastalir, M. Glatz, N. Gorgas, B. Stöger, E. Pittenauer, G. Allmaier, L. F. Veiros and K. Kirchner, *Chemistry – A European Journal*, **2016**, 22, 12316-12320.

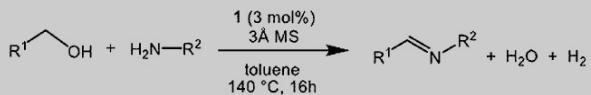
		R^1OH		+ $\text{R}^2\text{-NH}_2$		$\xrightarrow[\text{KO-t-Bu, toluene}]{\text{4 (2 mol\%)}}$		$\text{R}^1\text{--N}(\text{H})\text{--R}^2$		+ H_2O	
Entry	Product	Yield [%]	Entry	Product	Yield [%]	Entry	Product	Yield [%]	Entry	Product	Yield [%]
1		88	2		4	3		63	4		93
5		82	6		71	7		86	8		90
9		85	10		87	11		0	12		34
13		81	14		87	15		82	16		91
17		88	18		73	19		74	20		87
21		21	22		90	23		71	24		74
25		62	26		76	27		75	28		81
29		88	77		62						

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.0 mmol alcohol, 1.2 mmol amine, 1.3 mmol KO-*t*-Bu, 2 mol% catalyst, 4 mL toluene, 80°C, 16 h.

[b] Isolated yields.

[c] With 4 mol% catalyst.

Table 2. Dehydrogenative coupling of alcohols and amines to form imines utilizing catalyst **1**.^[a]



Entry	Product	Entry	Product		
1		90%	2		84%
3		92%	4		71%
5		68%	6		17%
7		90%	8		60%
9		86%	10		92%
11		87%	12		73%

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.0 mmol alcohol, 1.4 mmol amine, 0.3 g 3 Å MS, 3.0 mol% catalyst, 4 mL toluene, 140 °C, 16 h. [b] Isolated yields.

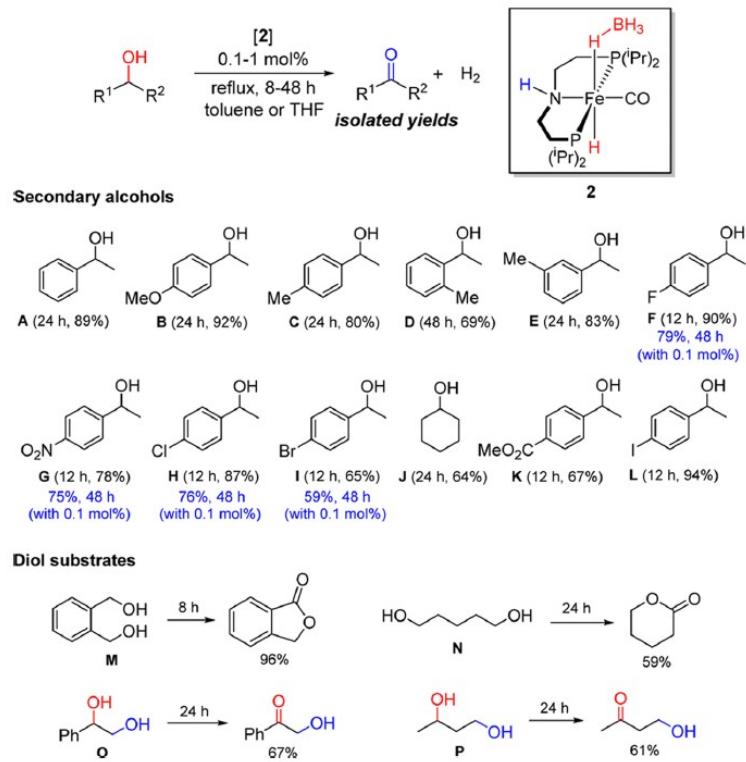
Table 3. Coupling of alcohols and amines catalyzed by **3**.^[a]

Entry	Product	Entry	Product		
1		91%	2		82%
3		88%	4		67%
5		80%	6		61%
7		93%	8		61%
9		82%	10		89%
11		82%	12		79%

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.0 mmol alcohol, 1.4 mmol amine, 0.3 g 3 Å MS, 3.0 mol% catalyst, 4 mL toluene, 140 °C, 16 h. [b] Isolated yields.

C-Fe-1/4 – Synthesis of Ketones

S. Chakraborty, P. O. Lagaditis, M. Förster, E. A. Bielinski, N. Hazari, M. C. Holthausen, W. D. Jones and S. Schneider, *ACS Catalysis*, **2014**, *4*, 3994-4003.



C-Fe-1 – Synthesis of Lactones and Lactams

M. Peña-López, H. Neumann and M. Beller, *ChemCatChem*, **2015**, *7*, 865-871.

Table 2. Iron-catalyzed synthesis of substituted γ -butyrolactones **2a–j**.^[a]

Entry	Diol	Product	Yield [%] ^[b]
1			2 a 92
2			2 b 84
3			2 c 98 ^[c]
4			2 d 72 ^[d]
5			2 e 93
6			2 f 80 ^[e]
7			2 g 79 ^[f]
8			2 h 65
9			2 i 83
10			2 j 81

[a] Unless otherwise specified, all reactions were performed with the diol (1 mmol), K_2CO_3 (0.1 mmol), and Fe-MACHO-BH (0.005 mmol) in *tert*-amyl alcohol (1 mL) at 150 °C for 5 h. [b] Yield of isolated product. [c] Mixture of regioisomers: 5-Me/6-Me (1:1). [d] Catalyst loading: 1 mol %; reaction time: 24 h. [e] Yield was determined by NMR spectroscopy by using durene as an internal standard. [f] Catalyst loading: 1 mol %.

Table 3. Iron-catalyzed synthesis of different-sized lactones 4 a–h.^[a]

3a–h		Fe-MACHO-BH (0.5 mol%) K_2CO_3 (10 mol%) <i>t</i> -amyl alcohol, 150 °C, 5 h	4a–h
Entry	Diol	Product	Yield [%] ^[b]
1			n.d. ^[c]
2			81 ^[d]
3			98
4			55 ^[e,f]
5			61
6			82
7			72
8			63 ^[e,f]

[a] Unless otherwise specified, all reactions were performed with the diol (1 mmol), K_2CO_3 (0.1 mmol), and Fe-MACHO-BH (0.005 mmol) in *tert*-amyl alcohol (1 mL) at 150 °C for 5 h. [b] Yield of isolated product. [c] n.d.: not detected. [d] Yield of the mixture of isolated regioisomers: isochroman-1-one/isochroman-3-one (85:15). [e] Yield was determined by NMR spectroscopy by using durene as an internal standard. [f] Reaction was performed in toluene with Fe-MACHO-BH (1 mol%).

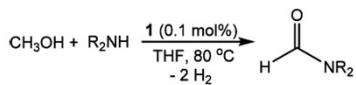
Table 4. Iron-catalyzed synthesis of different-sized lactams **6 a–i**.^[a]

Entry	Amino alcohol	Product	Yield [%] ^[b]
1			
2			
3			86 (83) ^[d]
4			75 (64) ^[d]
5			49 (91) ^[e,f]
6			92 ^[g]
7			85 (77) ^[d,e]
8			82 (74) ^[d]
9			41 (95) ^[e,f]

[a] Unless otherwise specified, all reactions were performed with the amino alcohol (1 mmol), K_2CO_3 (0.1 mmol), and Fe-MACHO-BH (0.01 mmol) in *tert*-amyl alcohol (1 mL) at 150 °C for 5 h. [b] Yield was determined by NMR spectroscopy by using durene as an internal standard. [c] n.d.: not detected. [d] Yield of the isolated product is given in parentheses. [e] Catalyst loading: 2 mol %. [f] Yield based on recovered starting material is given in parentheses. [g] Decomposition observed during isolation by chromatography on silica gel.

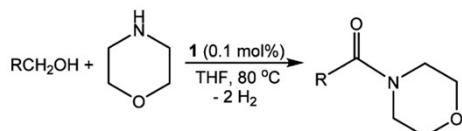
C-Fe-4 – Synthesis of Amides

E. M. Lane, K. B. Uttley, N. Hazari and W. Bernskoetter, *Organometallics*, **2017**, *36*, 2020-2025.



Entry	Amine	TON
1		600 ^b
2		564 ^b
3		503 ^b
4	(CH ₃ CH ₂) ₂ NH	213
5	(C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂) ₂ NH	126
6	(C ₆ H ₅) ₂ NH	<10
7	[(CH ₃) ₂ CH] ₂ NH	<10
8		0 ^b
9		0 ^{b,c}

^aReaction conditions: 3 μmol of catalyst (0.1 mol %), 3 mmol of alcohol, and 12 mmol of amine in 5 mL of THF at 80 °C for 8 h. Each entry is an average of two trials, and the TON was determined by GC analysis of amide production unless otherwise indicated. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy. ^cOnly one trial.



entry	alcohol	TON
1	CH ₃ OH	503
2	CH ₃ CH ₂ OH	50
3	CH ₃ (CH ₂) ₅ OH	13
4	C ₆ H ₅ (CH ₂) ₂ OH	10
5	C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ OH	10
6	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH	0 ^b

^aReaction conditions: 3 μmol of catalyst (0.1 mol %), 3 mmol of alcohol, and 12 mmol of amine in 5 mL of THF at 80 °C for 8 h. Each entry is an average of two trials, and the TON was determined by GC analysis of amide production unless otherwise indicated. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

M-Fe-2 – Synthesis of Amines

T. Yan, B. L. Feringa and K. Barta, *Nat. Commun.*, 2014, **5**, 5602.

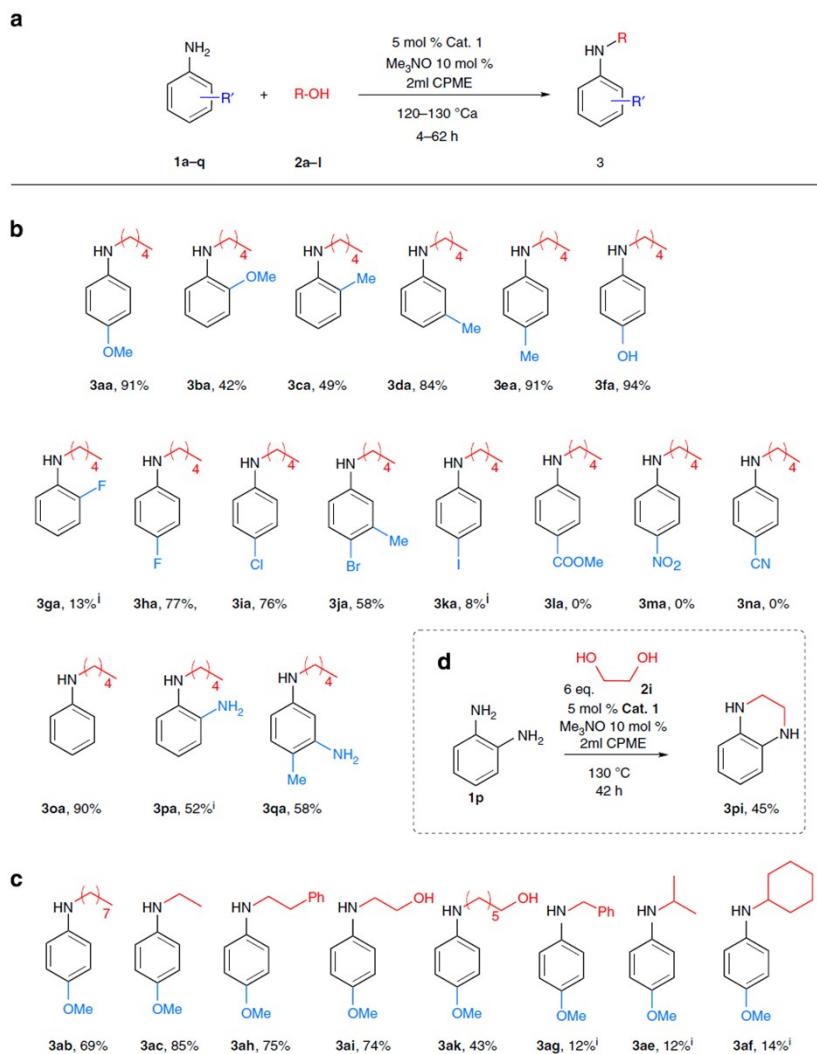


Figure 3 | Selective monoalkylation of functionalized anilines with various alcohols. (a) General reaction conditions. The main products are *N*-alkylated aniline derivatives (**3**). Possible side products are imines. No dialkylation is observed. (b) *N*-alkylation of various aniline derivatives with pentane-1-ol. Reactivity strongly depends on the substituents on the aromatic ring. Anilines bearing electron-donating groups in the para position were most reactive and **3fa**, **3aa** were obtained in 4 and 7 h, respectively. **3ba**, **3ca**, **3da**, **3ia**, **3ja** were obtained at prolonged reaction times at 120 °C, by addition of molecular sieves. ⁱGC-FID selectivity is given. (c) Reactions of *p*-methoxyaniline with various alcohols. Selective monoalkylation was also observed with ethane-1,2-diol and hexane-1,6-diol (**3ai**, **3ak**). (d) Direct 2,3-dihydro-quinoxaline formation from ethylene glycol and *o*-phenylenediamine.

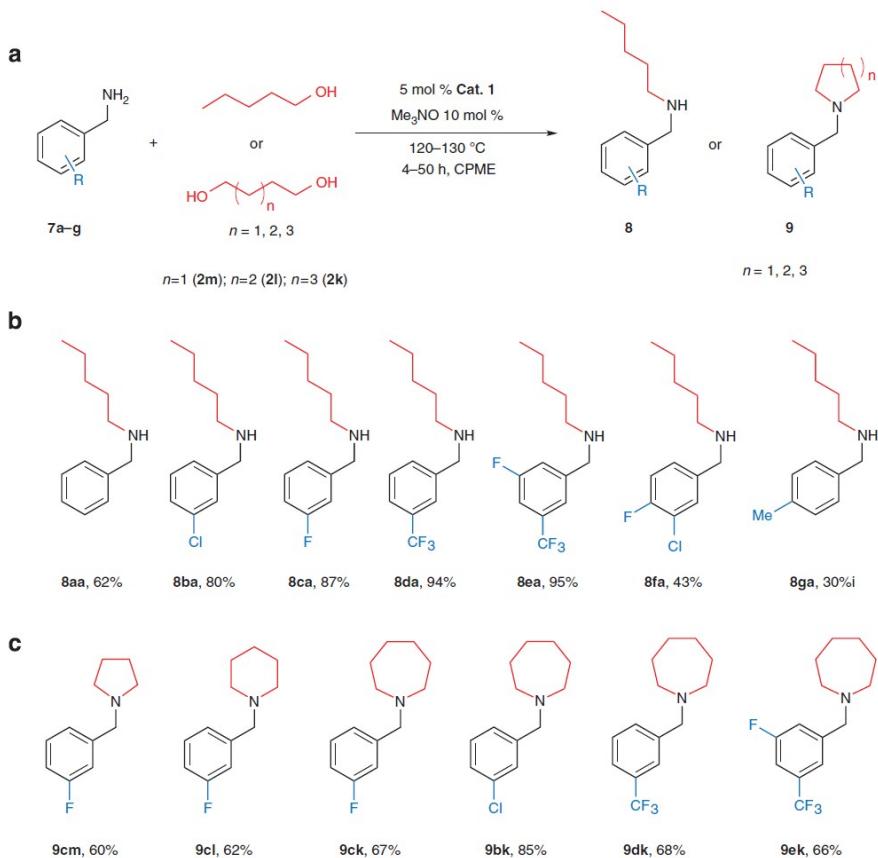


Figure 5 | Reactions of various benzylamines with pentane-1-ol and diols. (a) General reaction conditions. (b) Reactions of various benzyl-amines with pentanol. Benzyl-amines bearing electron-withdrawing substituents in the meta position were highly reactive, for example, for 8ca, 8da and 8ea, no dialkylated amine or imine were observed. Benzyl amines 7a and 7g were less reactive, with these substrates small amounts of dialkylated and imine products were also observed. (c) Construction of 5-, 6- or 7-membered N-heterocyclic rings using benzylamines 7b, 7c, 7d and 7e and butane-1,4-diol (2m), pentane-1,5-diol (2l) or hexane-1,6-diol (2k).

Table 2. Amination of Benzyl Alcohols with Secondary Amines^a

Entry	Substrate 1	Product 3	Yield [%] ^b
1	1b	3b	88
2	1c	3c	60
3	1d	3d	40
4	1e	3e	74
5	1a	3f	78
6	1f	3g	69
7	1c	3h	90
8	1e	3i	80
9	1a	3j	65
10	1a	3k	91
11	1d	3l	63
12	1g	3m	69
13	1a	3n	89
14	1e	3o	79
15	1h	3p	59

^aGeneral reaction conditions: general procedure (see page S2 in the Supporting Information), 0.5 mmol of **2**, 2 mmol of **1a**, 0.02–0.03 mmol of **Cat 1**, 0.04–0.06 mmol of Me₃NO, 2 mL of solvent, 18–24 h, 135 °C, 95–105 mg of molecular sieves. For specific conditions see Tables S2a and S2b in the Supporting Information. ^bIsolated yields.

Table 3. Amination of Benzyl Alcohols with Primary Amines^a

Entry	Substrate 1	Product 5	Yield [%] ^b
1	1b 	5a 	54
2	1a 	5b 	61
3	1c 	5c 	59
4	1g 	5d 	53
5	1i 	5e 	42
6	1j 	5f 	22
7	1c 	5g 	60
8	1c 	5h 	61
9	1f 	5i 	60
10	1a 	5j 	70
11	1a 	5k 	66
12	1c 	5l 	56

^aGeneral reaction conditions: general procedure (see page S2 in the Supporting Information), 0.5 mmol of **2**, 2 mmol of **1a**, 0.02–0.03 mmol of **Cat 1**, 0.04–0.06 mmol of Me_3NO , 2 mL of solvent, 18–24 h, 135 °C, 95–105 mg of molecular sieves. For specific conditions see Table S3 in the Supporting Information. ^bIsolated yields.

M-Fe-2 – Synthesis of Pyrroles

T. Yan and K. Barta, *ChemSusChem*, 2016, **9**, 2321-2325.

Table 2. Direct synthesis of *N*-substituted pyrroles from anilines and 1,4-diols.^[a]

Entry	Amine (1)	Alcohol (2)	Product (3)	Conv. 1 ^[b] [%]	Select. 3 ^[b] [%]
1	1 b	2 a	3 b	92	90 (80)
2	1 c	2 a 2 b	3 c	42 >99	– (36) 90 (59)
3	1 d	2 a 2 b	3 d	33 91	– (30) 75 (47)
4	1 e	2 b 2 b ^[c]	3 e	85 98	63 (45) 72 (54)
5	1 f	2 b	3 f	94	61 (44)
6	1 g	2 b	3 g	>99	68 (37)
7	1 h	2 b	3 h	77	42 (36)
8	1 i	2 b	2 i	90	52 (25)
9	1 j	2 b	2 j	56	36 (15)

[a] General reaction conditions: General procedure (see Supporting Information, page S2), 0.5 mmol **1 a**, 1 mmol **2 a**, 0.02 mmol **Cat 1**, 0.04 mmol Me₃NO, 2 mL toluene, 18 h, 130 °C unless otherwise specified; see also Table S2. [b] Based on GC-FID, isolated yields shown in parentheses. [c] The reaction was operated in a sealed 20 mL vial with 4 equiv. **2 b** in 22 h.

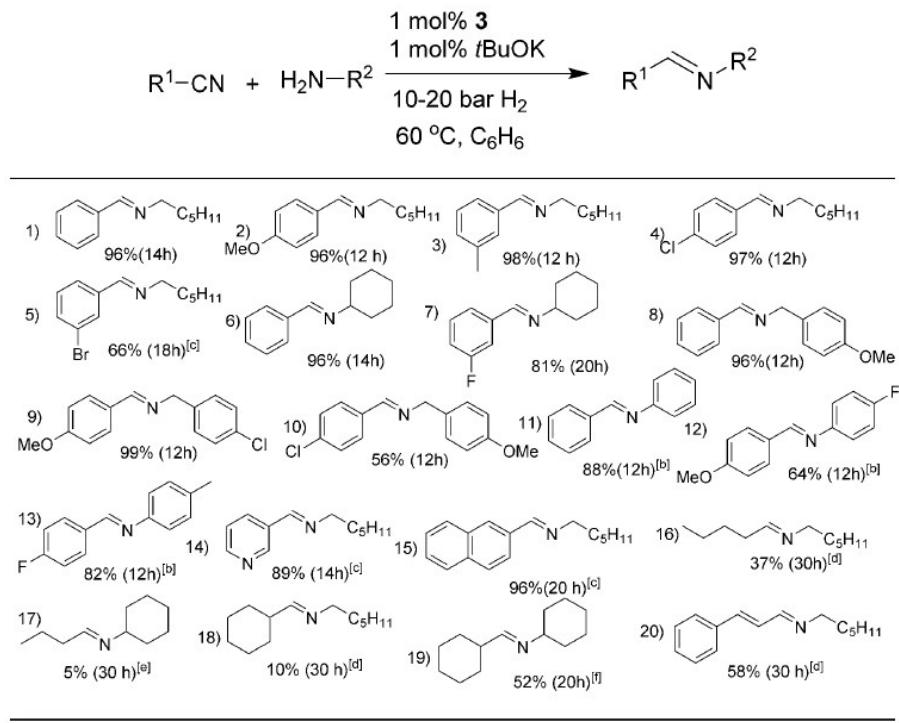
Table 3. Direct synthesis of *N*-substituted pyrroles from anilines and 1,4-diols.^[a]

Entry	Amine (5)	Product (6)	Select. 3 ^[b] [%]
1	5a	6a	90 (61)
2	5b	6b	85 (57)
3	5c	6c	73 (52)
4	5d	6d	88 (55)
5	5e	6e	87 (65)
6	5f	6f	87 (65)
7	5g	6g	83 (55)
8	5h	6h	92 (76)
9	5i	6i	71 (43)
10	5j	6j	– (41)
11	5k	6k	86 (42)
12	5l	6l	85 (33)

[a] General reaction conditions: General procedure (see Supporting Information, page S2), 0.5 mmol **5**, 1 mmol **2a**, 0.02 mmol **Cat 1**, 0.04 mmol Me₃NO, 2 mL toluene, 18 h, 130 °C; see also Table S3; in all cases full conversion was obtained. [b] Based on GC-FID, isolated yields shown in parentheses.

M-Fe-5 – Synthesis of Aldimines

S. Chakraborty, G. Leitus and D. Milstein, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2017**, *56*, 2074-2078.

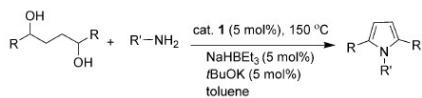


[a] Conditions: benzonitrile (1–0.125 mmol), amine (1–0.125 mmol), **3** (0.01 mmol), *t*BuOK (1 equiv relative to **3**), 20 bar H₂, and C₆H₆ (2 mL), heated in an autoclave at 60 °C. Yields and conversions determined by GC-MS and NMR analysis using *m*-xylene or toluene as internal standards. [b] 10 bar H₂. [c] 2 mol % catalyst used. [d] 8 mol % catalyst used. [e] 24 mol % *t*BuOK, 30 bar H₂, 90 °C. [f] 8 mol % **3**, 8 mol % *t*BuOK and 90 °C.

3.4.2. – Coupling and Dehydrogenation Reactions – Cobalt Catalysts

A-Co-4 – Synthesis of 1,2,5-substituted Pyrroles

P. Daw, S. Chakraborty, J. A. Garg, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2016**, *55*, 14373-14377.

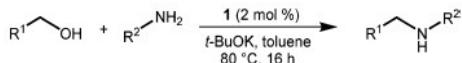


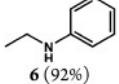
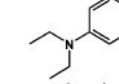
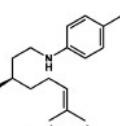
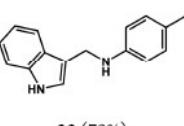
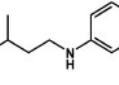
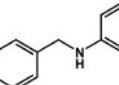
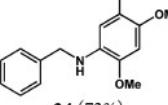
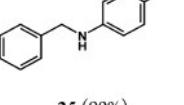
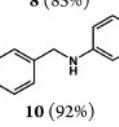
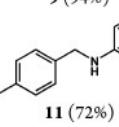
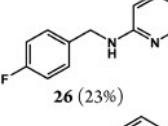
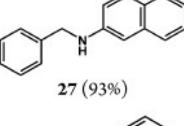
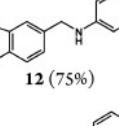
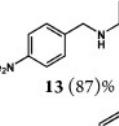
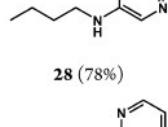
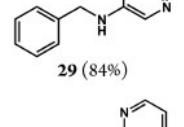
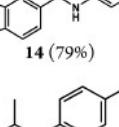
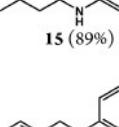
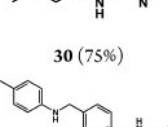
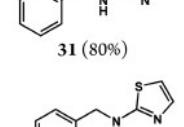
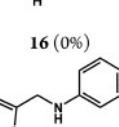
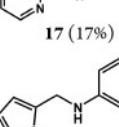
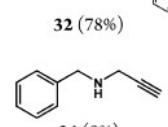
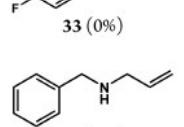
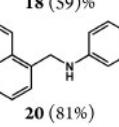
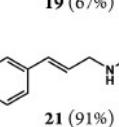
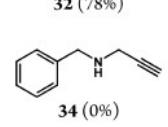
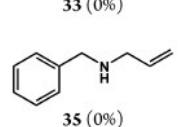
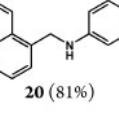
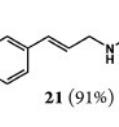
Entry ^[a]	Diol	Amine (RNH_2)	t [h]	Yield of pyrrole [%]
1		$\text{H}_{11}\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{NH}_2$	24	88 ^[b]
2		$\text{H}_7\text{C}_3\text{H}_7\text{NH}_2$	24	93 ^[b]
3			24	86 ^[b]
4		$\text{H}_3\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{NH}_2$	24	90 ^[b]
5			24	70 ^[b]
6			24	62 ^[b]
7			24	89 ^[b]
8			36	68 ^[b]
9			24	87 ^[b]
10			24	60 ^[b]
11			36	25 ^[c]
12			36	22 ^[c]
13			36	78 ^[b]
14		$\text{H}_{13}\text{C}_6\text{H}_9\text{NH}_2$	36	56 ^[c]
15		$\text{H}_{13}\text{C}_6\text{H}_9\text{NH}_2$	24	58 ^[c]

[a] Conditions: diol (0.5 mmol), amine (0.5 mmol), toluene (2 mL), and 4 Å molecular sieves heated in an closed Schlenk tube for the specified time. [b] Yield of isolated product. [c] Yield determined by GC.

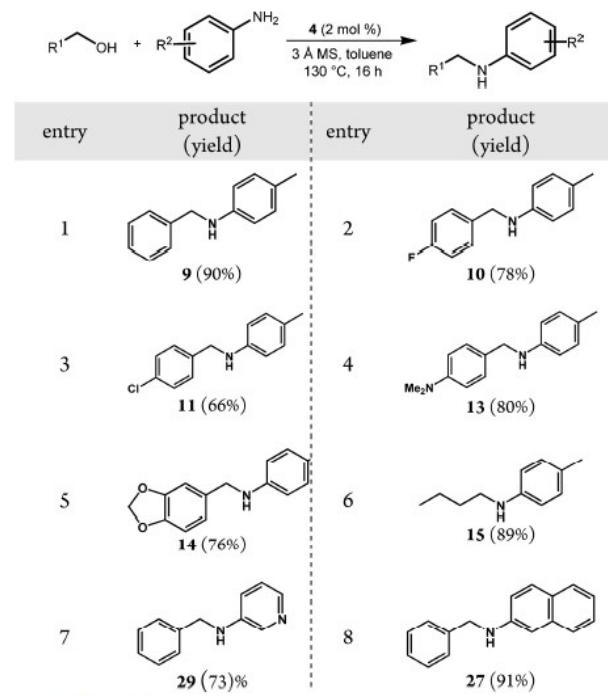
B-Co-1/2 – Synthesis of Secondary Amines

M. Mastalir, G. Tomsu, E. Pittenauer, G. Allmaier and K. Kirchner, *Organic Letters*, **2016**, *18*, 3462-3465.



entry	product (yield)	entry	product (yield)	entry	product (yield)	entry	product (yield)
1	 6 (92%)	2	 7 (10%)	17	 22 (91%)	18	 23 (79%)
3	 8 (85%)	4	 9 (94%)	19	 24 (72%)	20	 25 (90%)
5	 10 (92%)	6	 11 (72%)	21	 26 (23%)	22	 27 (93%)
7	 12 (75%)	8	 13 (87%)	23	 28 (78%)	24	 29 (84%)
9	 14 (79%)	10	 15 (89%)	25	 30 (75%)	26	 31 (80%)
11	 16 (0%)	12	 17 (17%)	27	 32 (78%)	28	 33 (0%)
13	 18 (59%)	14	 19 (67%)	29	 34 (0%)	30	 35 (0%)
15	 20 (81%)	16	 21 (91%)				

^aIsolated yields.



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C-Co-1 – Synthesis of Aldimines

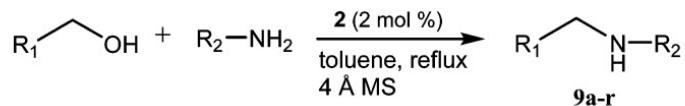
G. Zhang and S. K. Hanson, *Organic Letters*, **2013**, *15*, 650-653.

entry	substrate A	substrate B	time (h)	product	GC yield % (isolated yield)
1 ^b			27		80 (73) imine 15 amine
2			52		96 (85) imine <2 amine
3			48		88 (75) imine 12 amine
4			45		93 (83) imine 4 amine
5			50		99 (90) imine
6			50		94 (84) imine
7			50		96 (85) imine
8			52		93 (80) imine
9			45		98 (88) imine
10			50		81 (70) imine
11			52		74 (61) imine
12 ^d			48		64 imine
13 ^{c,d}			48		95 (85) imine
14 ^{c,d}			48		70 imine 6 amine
15 ^{c,d}			50		71 imine 3 amine
16 ^{c,d}			48		56 imine 6 ketone

^a Conditions: Substrate A (1.0 mmol), substrate B (1.1 mmol, except for *sec*-butylamine, 5.0 mmol), 1 mol % catalyst (1 mol % complex I and 1 mol % H[BAr^F₄]·(Et₂O)₂), toluene (2 mL), 120 °C. ^b 0.2 mol % catalyst (0.2 mol % complex I and 0.2 mol % H[BAr^F₄]·(Et₂O)₂). ^c 2 mol % catalyst was used (2 mol % complex I and 2 mol % H[BAr^F₄]·(Et₂O)₂). ^d Reactions run in THF (2 mL).

C-Co-2 – Synthesis of Secondary Amines

G. Zhang, Z. Yin and S. Zheng, *Organic Letters*, **2016**, *18*, 300-303.

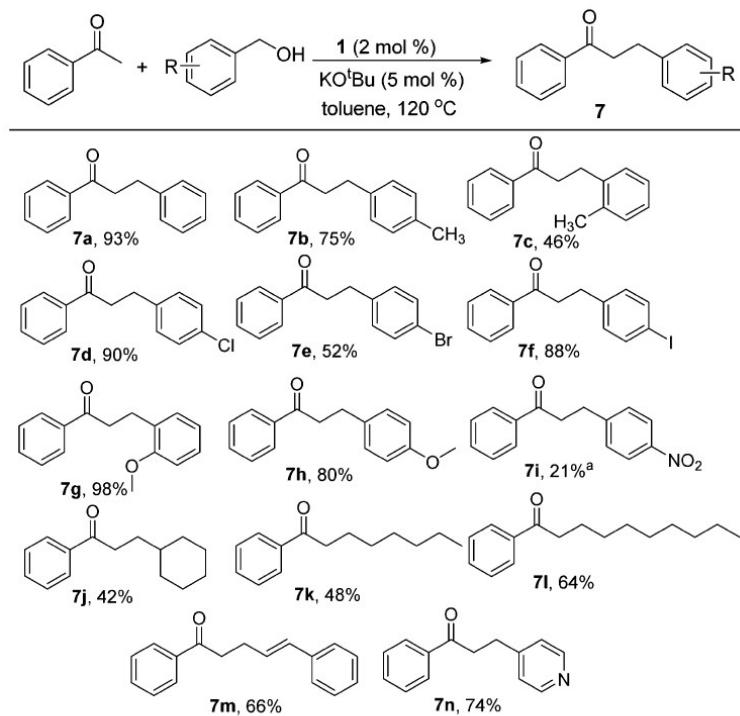


entry	alcohol ($\text{R}_1 =$)	amine ($\text{R}_2 =$)	yield ^b (%)
1	C_6H_5	C_6H_5	94 (9a)
2	C_6H_5	$4\text{-iPr}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	90 (9b)
3	C_6H_5	$4\text{-MeO}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	96 (9c)
4	C_6H_5	$2\text{-MeO}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	95 (9d)
5	C_6H_5	$4\text{-F}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	82 (9e), 4% imine
6	C_6H_5	$4\text{-Cl}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	80 (9f)
7	$4\text{-Me}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	C_6H_5	84 (9g), 13% imine
8	$4\text{-MeO}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	C_6H_5	90 (9h)
9	$4\text{-F}(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)$	C_6H_5	80 (9i), 15% imine
10	$(\text{C}_6\text{H}_4)\text{CH}_2$	C_6H_5	74 (9j), 14% imine
11	propyl	C_6H_5	91 (9k)
12	isopropyl	C_6H_5	96 (9l)
13	pentyl	C_6H_5	90 (9m)
14	heptyl	C_6H_5	95 (9n)
15	C_6H_5	$(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$	82 (9o), 11% imine
16	C_6H_5	2-butyl	93 (9p), 2% imine
17 ^c	pentyl	4-fluorobenzyl	75 (9q)
18 ^c	heptyl	1-hexyl	86 (9r), 6% imine

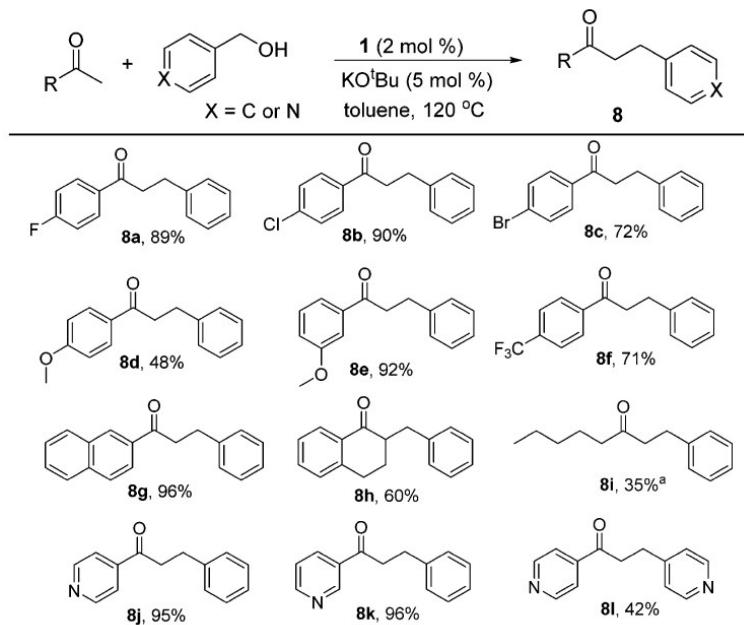
^aConditions: alcohol (0.5 mmol), amine (0.6 mmol), cobalt catalyst **2** (2 mol %), 4 Å MS (0.5 g), and toluene (4 mL) at reflux in a 100 mL Schlenk tube, 48 h. ^bIsolated yields. ^cYields determined by GC analysis.

C-Co-2 – Synthesis of α -Alkylated Ketones

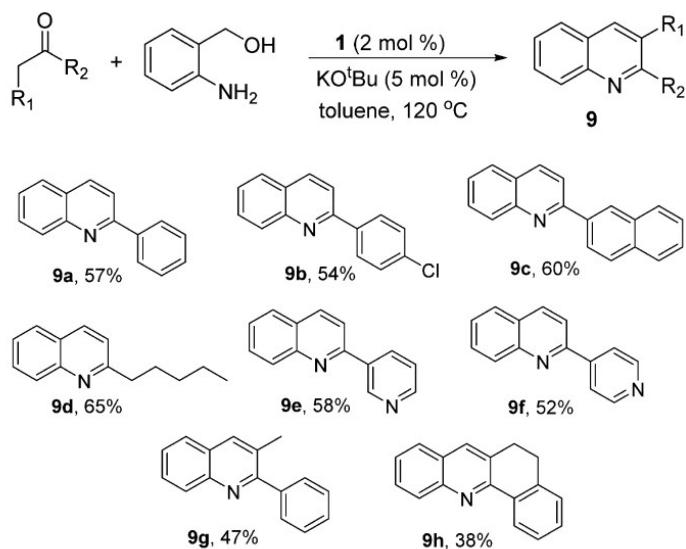
G. Zhang, J. Wu, H. Zeng, S. Zhang, Z. Yin and S. Zheng, *Organic Letters*, **2017**, *19*, 1080-1083.



^aConditions: primary alcohol (0.6 mmol), acetophenone (0.5 mmol), cobalt **1** (2 mol %), KOTBu (5 mol %), and toluene (4 mL) are heated to 120 °C in a 100 mL Schlenk tube, 24 h. Yields are of isolated products. Yield determined by GC analysis.



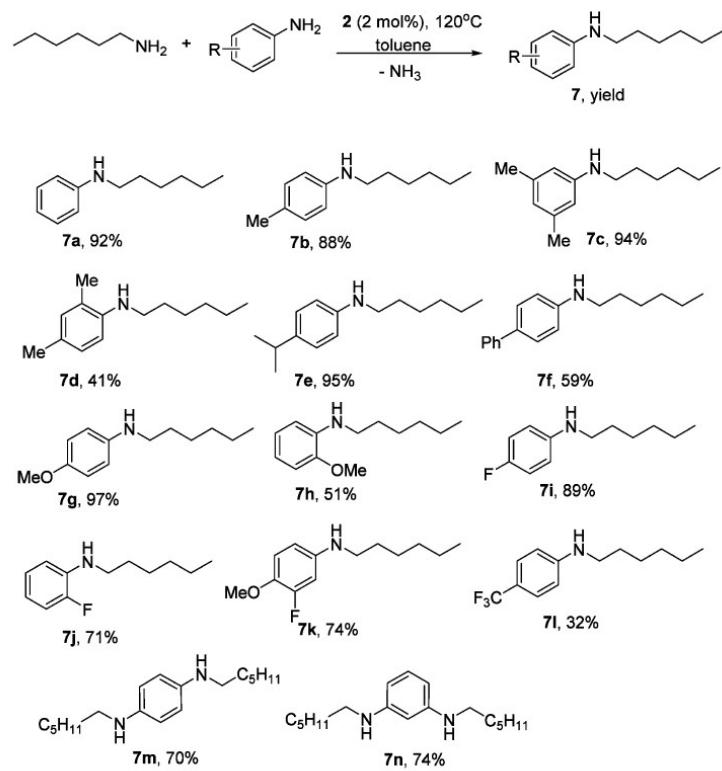
^aConditions: benzyl alcohol or 4-pyridinemethanol (0.6 mmol), ketone (0.5 mmol), cobalt **1** (2 mol %), KOtBu (5 mol %), and toluene (4 mL) are heated to 120 °C in a 100 mL Schlenk tube, 24 h. Yields are of isolated products. Yield determined by GC analysis.



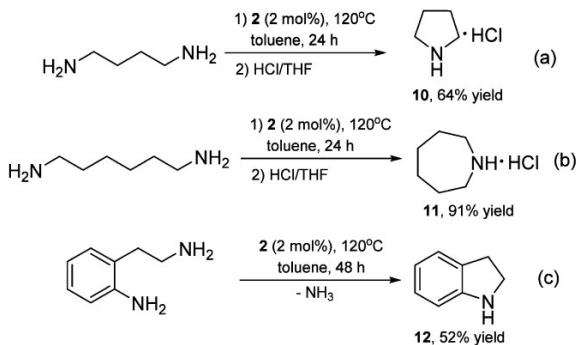
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C-Co-2 – Synthesis of Secondary Amines

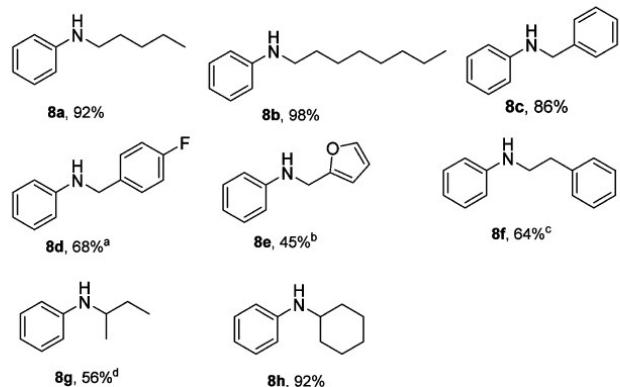
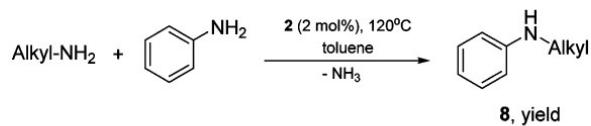
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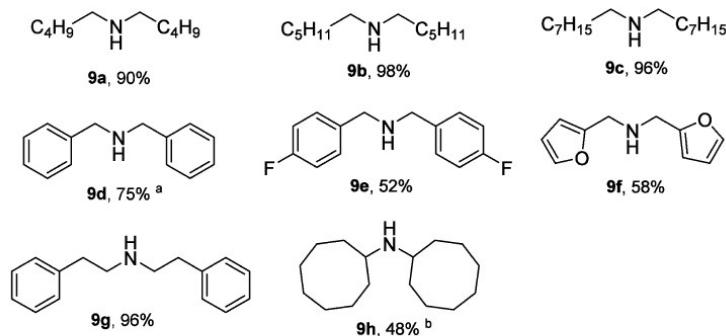
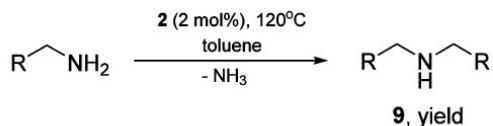
^aConditions: 1-hexylamine (0.5 mmol), anilines (0.6 mmol), cobalt **2** (2 mol %), and toluene (4 mL) are heated to 120 °C in a 100 mL Schlenk tube, 24 h. Yields are of isolated products.



^aYields are of isolated products.



^a26% homocoupling product observed; ^b28% homocoupling product observed; ^c19% homocoupling product observed; ^d37% imine product observed. ^eConditions: aliphatic amines (0.5 mmol), aniline (0.6 mmol), cobalt **2** (2 mol %), and toluene (4 mL) are heated to 120 °C in a 100 mL Schlenk tube, 24 h. Yields are of isolated products.



^a14% imine product observed. ^bIsolated as a HCl salt. ^cConditions: primary amines (1.0 mmol), cobalt **2** (2 mol % relative to one half amount of amine), and toluene (4 mL) are heated to 120 °C in a 100 mL Schlenk tube, 24 h. Yields are of isolated products.

M-Co-2 – Synthesis of C₂-Alkoxylated Products

J. R. Cabrero-Antonino, R. Adam, V. Papa, M. Holsten, K. Junge and M. Beller, *Chemical Science*, **2017**, 8, 5536-5546.

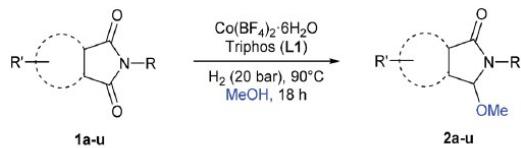
General Reaction Scheme:

Starting material: Cyclic imide **1a-u** (R' substituent indicated by a dashed circle).

Reagents: $\text{Co}(\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$, Triphos (**L1**), H_2 (20 bar), 90°C , MeOH , 18 h.

Product: Cyclic imide **2a-u** (OMe substituent at the C_2 position).

Entry ^a	Cyclic imide 1	[Co] (mol%)	2^b [%]
1		2.5	2a [95]
2		4	2b [89]
3		4	2c [90]
4		4	2d [96]
5		2.5	2e [97]
6		2.5	2f [93]
7		2.5	2g [88]
8		6	2h [91]
9		4	2i [98]
10 ^c		2.5	2j [95]



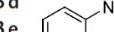
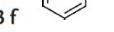
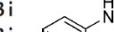
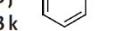
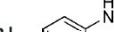
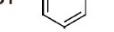
Entry ^a	Cyclic imide 1	[Co] (mol%)	Δ^b [%]
11		2.5	2k [96]
12		2.5	2l [94]
13		4	2m [99]
14		5	2n [99]
15 ^c		2.5	2o [86]
16		2.5	2p [89]
17		2.5	2q [81]
18		2.5	2r [89]
19		2.5	2s [94]
20		2.5	2t [85]

Entry ^a	Cyclic imide 1	[Co] (mol%)	2^b [%]
21	 1u	4	2u [80]

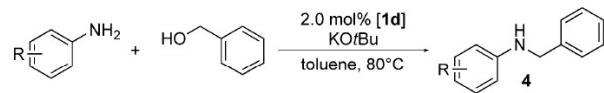
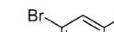
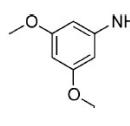
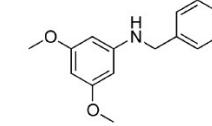
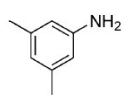
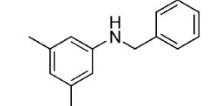
^a Standard reaction conditions: cyclic imide (0.5 mmol), $\text{Co}(\text{BF}_4)_2 \cdot 6\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (4.25 mg, 0.0125 mmol, 2.5 mol%), triphos **L1** (15.6 mg, 0.025 mmol, 5 mol%, 2 eq. to Co), H_2 (20 bar), MeOH (2 mL), 90 °C and 18 h. When the reaction was carried out using 4 to 6 mol% of cobalt precatalyst, 1.5 eq. of **L1** respect to the metal was added. ^b Isolated yield of the product after purification by column chromatography on silica are given between brackets. ^c Run at 110 °C.

M-Co-10 – Synthesis of Secondary Amines

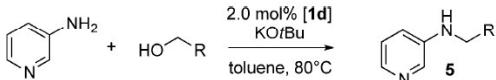
S. Rösler, M. Ertl, T. Irrgang and R. Kempe, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2015**, *54*, 15046–15050.

			
Entry	Alcohol	Product	Yield ^[b] [%]
1	R = C ₆ H ₅		90
2	R = 4-F(C ₆ H ₄)		84
3	R = 4-Cl(C ₆ H ₄)		72
4	R = 4-Br(C ₆ H ₄)		53
5	R = 4-Me(C ₆ H ₄)		94
6	R = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)		88
7	R = 4-SMe(C ₆ H ₄)		71
8	R = 4- <i>tert</i> -butyl(C ₆ H ₄)		93
9	1-butanol		90
10	1-hexanol		82
11	C ₂₂ H ₄₅ OH		86
12	(–)-Nopol		96

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.4 mmol aniline, 1.0 mmol alcohol, 2.0 mol % precatalyst **1d**, 1.2 mmol KOtBu, 3 mL toluene, 80°C, 24 h. [b] Yield of isolated product.

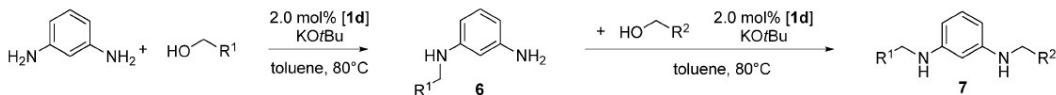
			
Entry	Amine	Product	Yield ^[b] [%]
1	R = 4-F		86
2	R = 4-Cl		69
3	R = 4-Br		72
4	R = 4-I		51
5	R = 4-Et		76
6	R = 4-iPr		76
7	R = 3-Br		57
8			86
9			63

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.4 mmol aniline, 1.0 mmol alcohol, 2.0 mol % precatalyst **1d**, 1.2 mmol KOtBu, 3 mL toluene, 80°C, 24 h. [b] Yield of isolated product.



Entry	Alcohol	Product	Yield ^[b] [%]
1	R = C ₆ H ₅	5a	89
2	R = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)	5b	61
3	R = 4-SMe(C ₆ H ₄)	5c	76
4	R = 4-Me(C ₆ H ₅)	5d	94
5	C ₂₂ H ₄₅ OH	5e	69
6	1-butanol	5f	76

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.4 mmol aminopyridine, 1.0 mmol alcohol, 2.0 mol % precatalyst **1d**, 1.2 mmol KOrBu, 3 mL toluene, 80°C, 24 h.
[b] Yield of isolated product.

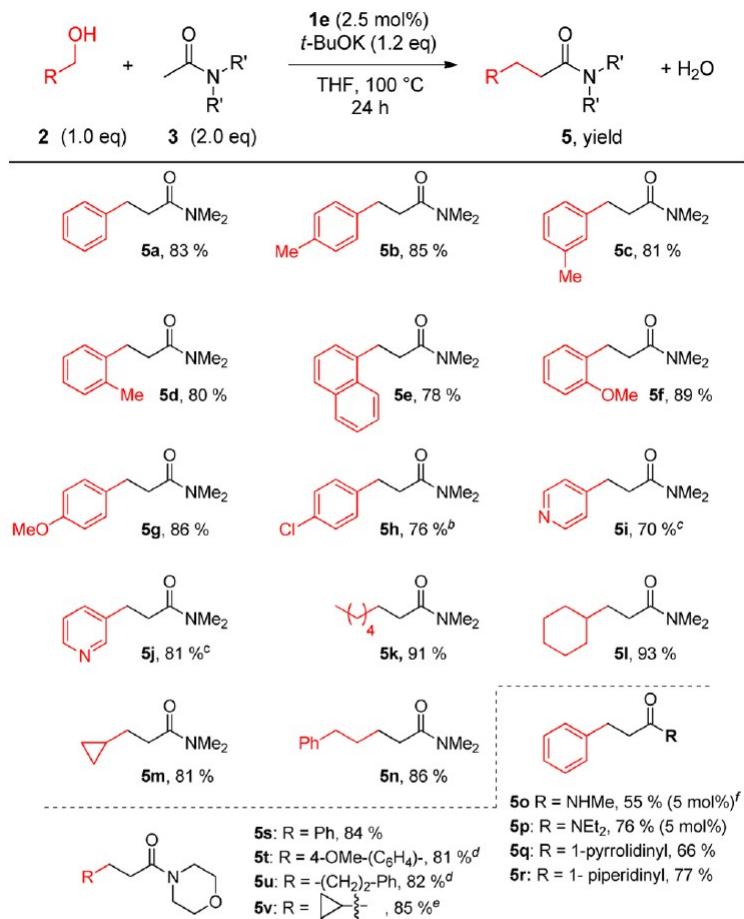


Entry	Alcohol R ¹	Alcohol R ²	Product	Yield ^[d] [%]
1	R ¹ = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)	—	6a ^[a]	91
2	R ¹ = C ₆ H ₅	R ² = C ₆ H ₅	7a ^[b]	73
3	R ¹ = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)	R ² = C ₆ H ₅	7b ^[c]	71
4	R ¹ = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)	R ² = 4-F-(C ₆ H ₄)	7c ^[d]	57
5	R ¹ = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)	R ² = propyl	7d ^[c]	76
6	R ¹ = 4-OMe(C ₆ H ₄)	R ² = pentyl	7e ^[c]	79

[a] 3.0 mmol benzenediamine, 1.0 mmol alcohol, 2.0 mol % precatalyst **1d**, 1.2 mmol KOrBu, 3 mL toluene, 80°C, 24 h. [b] 1.0 mmol benzenediamine, 2.0 mmol alcohol, 4.0 mol % precatalyst **1d**, 2.4 mmol KOrBu, 3 mL toluene, 80°C, 24 h. [c] 1.0 mmol **6a**, 1.0 mmol alcohol, 2.0 mol % precatalyst **1d**, 1.2 mmol KOrBu, 3 mL toluene, 80°C, 24 h. [d] Yield of isolated product.

M-Co-10 – Synthesis of C-Alkylated Amides

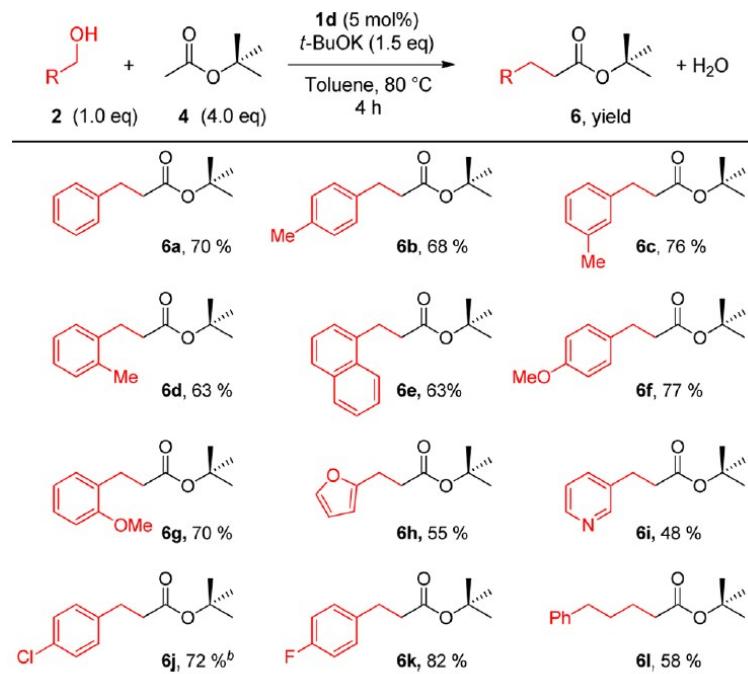
N. Deibl and R. Kempe, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2016**, *138*, 10786-10789.



^aAlcohol (1 mmol), amide (2 mmol), *t*-BuOK (1.2 mmol), **1e** (0.025 mmol), and THF (4 mL) were heated for 24 h at 100 °C (oil bath) in a closed system. Yields are of isolated products. ^b*t*-BuONa was used as a base. ^c**1f** (5 mol %) was used. ^d10 mmol scale. ^e5 mmol scale. ^f1,4-dioxane, 120 °C, 1.5 equiv *t*-BuOK.

M-Co-11 – Synthesis of C-Alkylated Esters

N. Deibl and R. Kempe, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2016**, *138*, 10786-10789.



^aAlcohol (1 mmol), *tert*-butyl acetate (4 mmol), *t*-BuOK (1.5 mmol), toluene (1 mL), **1d** (5 mol %), 4 h at 80 °C (oil bath). Yields are of isolated products. ^b*t*-BuONa was used as a base.

M-Co-11 – Synthesis of Alkylated Alcohols

F. Freitag, T. Irrgang and R. Kempe, *Chemistry – A European Journal*, DOI: 10.1002/chem.201701211.

Table 2. Substrate Scope of Aromatic Alcohols (**1** and **2**).^[a]

Entry	Product (3a–n)	R ¹	R ²	Yield [%] ^[b]		
					4c (5 mol%)	KHMDS (1.1 equiv.)
1		3a 	C ₆ H ₅	H	76	
2		3b 	4-OMe-C ₆ H ₄	H	80	
3		3c 	4-Me-C ₆ H ₄	H	77	
4		3d 	4-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	H	79	
5		3e 	3-Cl-C ₆ H ₄	H	61	
6		3f 	C ₄ H ₃ S	H	44	
7		3g	C ₆ H ₅	2-Me	74	
8		3h	C ₆ H ₅	3-Me	73	
9		3i	C ₆ H ₅	4-Me	79	
10 ^[c]		3j	C ₆ H ₅	2-MeO	69	
11		3k	C ₆ H ₅	4-MeO	77	
12		3l	C ₆ H ₅	4-Cl	60	
13		3m	C ₆ H ₅	4-Br	49	
14 ^[d]		3n	C ₆ H ₅	3,4-(CH) ₄	64	

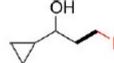
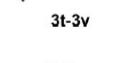
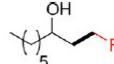
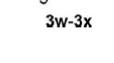
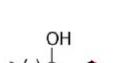
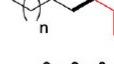
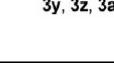
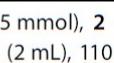
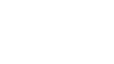
[a] **1** (1.5 mmol), **2** (1.0 mmol), KHMDS (1.1 mmol), 5 mol % **4c** (50 µmol), toluene (2 mL), 110 °C (oil bath), 20 h, closed system. [b] Yields of isolated products. [c] Reaction time: 44 h. [d] 130 °C (oil bath).

Table 3. Reaction of aromatic secondary alcohols (**1**) and aliphatic primary alcohols (**2**).^[a]

Entry	Product (3o–s)	R ¹	R ²	Yield [%] ^[b]		
					4c (5 mol%)	KHMDS (1.1 equiv.)
1		3o 	H	n-pentyl	49	
2		3p 	H	n-heptyl	51	
3		3q 	H	cyclopropyl	63	
4		3r	OMe	n-pentyl	46	
5		3s 	OMe	n-heptyl	49	

[a] **1** (1.5 mmol), **2** (1.0 mmol), KHMDS (1.1 mmol), 5 mol % **4c** (50 µmol), toluene (2 mL), 110 °C (oil bath), 20 h, closed system. [b] Yields of isolated products.

Table 4. Coupling of aliphatic secondary alcohols (**1**) with primary alcohols (**2**).^[a]

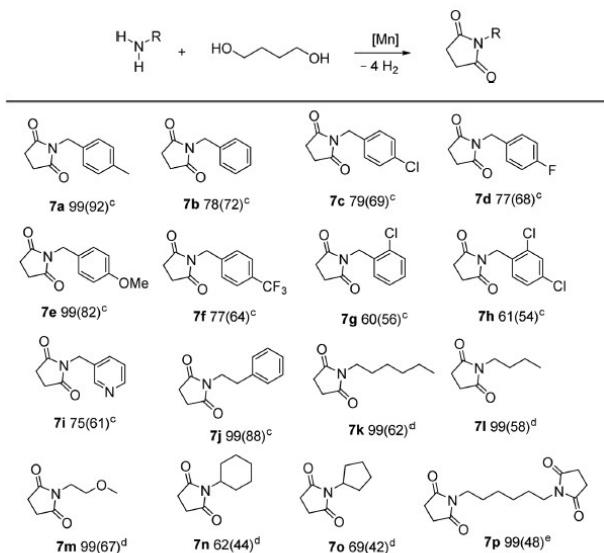
Entry	Product (3t-aa)	1	2	4c (5 mol%)		3t-aa	Yield [%] ^[b]
				R ¹	KHMDS (1.1 equiv.) toluene 110 °C 20 h		
1							72
2				3t	cyclopropyl	C ₆ H ₅	62
3				3u	cyclopropyl	n-heptyl	54
4				3v	cyclopropyl	cyclohexyl	40
5				3w	n-hexyl	(CH ₂) ₃ C ₆ H ₅	50
				3x	n-hexyl	n-heptyl	
6				3y	n-hexyl (n=5)	cyclohexyl	70
7				3z	n-butyl (n=3)	cyclohexyl	66
8				3aa	n-propyl (n=2)	cyclohexyl	59

[a] **1** (1.5 mmol), **2** (1.0 mmol), KHMDS (1.1 mmol), 5 mol % **4c** (50 µmol), toluene (2 mL), 110 °C (oil bath), 20 h, closed system. [b] Yields of isolated products.

3.4.3. – Coupling and Dehydrogenation Reactions – Manganese Catalysts

A-Mn-2 – Synthesis of Cyclic Imides

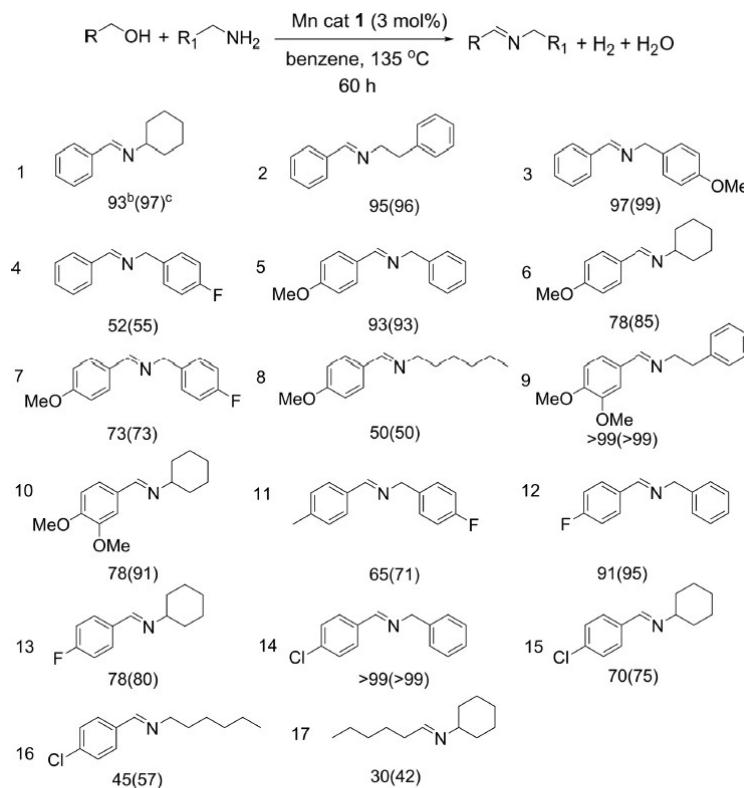
N. A. Espinosa-Jalapa, A. Kumar, G. Leitus, Y. Diskin-Posner and D. Milstein, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2017**, *139*, 11722-11725.



^aConversions based on consumption of the amine, determined by ¹H NMR and GC-MS with mesitylene as internal standard. All reactions were performed in open Schlenk tube under argon. ^bYields of isolated product in brackets. ^cReaction conditions: [Mn] = 1 (5 mol %), KH (10 mol %), toluene (2 mL), 1,4-butanediol (1.0 mmol), amine (1.0 mmol), internal standard (mesitylene, 1 mmol), reflux, 40 h. ^d1,4-Butanediol (0.5 mmol), amine (0.5 mmol), internal standard (mesitylene, 0.5 mmol). ^e1,4-Butanediol (0.5 mmol), amine (0.25 mmol), and internal standard (mesitylene, 0.5 mmol).

A-Mn-3 – Synthesis of Aldimines

A. Mukherjee, A. Nerush, G. Leitus, L. J. W. Shimon, Y. Ben David, N. A. Espinosa Jalapa and D. Milstein, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2016**, *138*, 4298-4301.



^aReaction conditions: alcohol (0.5 mmol), amine (0.5 mmol), Mn cat (3 mol %), and benzene (2 mL) at 135 °C (bath temperature) for 60 h in a closed system under N₂ atmosphere. ^bYields were determined by ¹H NMR with respect to toluene or dioxane as an internal standard or by GC analysis. ^cBased on the consumption of alcohol.

B-Mn-1 – Synthesis of Aldimines

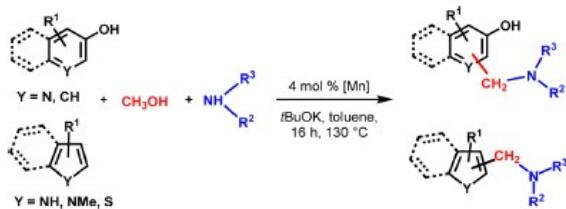
M. Mastalir, M. Glatz, N. Gorgas, B. Stöger, E. Pittenauer, G. Allmaier, L. F. Veiros and K. Kirchner, *Chemistry – A European Journal*, **2016**, 22, 12316–12320.

Table 2. Dehydrogenative coupling of alcohols and amines to form imines utilizing catalyst 1 . ^[a]					
Entry	Product	Entry	Product		
1		90 %	2		84 %
3		92 %	4		71 %
5		68 %	6		17 %
7		90 %	8		60 %
9		86 %	10		92 %
11		87 %	12		73 %

[a] Reaction conditions: 1.0 mmol alcohol, 1.4 mmol amine, 0.3 g 3 Å MS, 3.0 mol% catalyst, 4 mL toluene, 140 °C, 16 h. [b] Isolated yields.

B-Mn-1 – Synthesis of Aminomethylated Aromatics

M. Mastalir, E. Pittenauer, G. Allmaier and K. Kirchner, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 2017, 139, 8812-8815.



entry	product	entry	product	entry	product	entry	product
1	 3 (72 %)	2	 4 (91 %)	15	 17 (77 %)	16	 18 (68 %)
3	 5 (92 %)	4	 6 (85 %)	17	 19 (55 %)	18	 20 (64 %)
5	 7 (84 %)	6	 8 (49 %)	19 ^c	 21 (43 %)	20 ^c	 22 (44 %)
7	 9 (60 %)	8	 10 (78 %)	21	 23 (75 %)	22	 24 (52 %)
9	 11 (81 %)	10	 12 (78 %)	23	 25 (74 %)	24	 26 (81 %)
11	 13 (81 %)	12	 14 (87 %)	25 ^d	 27 (64 %)	26	 28 (74 %)
13	 15 (61 %)	14	 16 (82 %)	27	 29 (76 %)	28	 30 (59 %)

^aReaction conditions: 1.3 mmol of MeOH, 1.0 mmol of substrate, 1.1 mmol of amine, 1.3 mmol of tBuOK, 4 mol % [Mn], 4 mL of toluene, 130 °C.

^bIsolated yields. ^c2.2 mmol of MeOH, 1.0 mmol of substrate, 2.2 mmol of amine, 2.6 mmol of tBuOK, 7 mol % [Mn], 4 mL of toluene. ^dImidazole as N-nucleophile.

C-Mn-1a/b, C-Mn-2 & TH-Mn-3a – Synthesis of Secondary Amines

S. Elangovan, J. Neumann, J.-B. Sortais, K. Junge, C. Darcel and M. Beller, *Nature Communications*, **2016**, *7*, 12641.

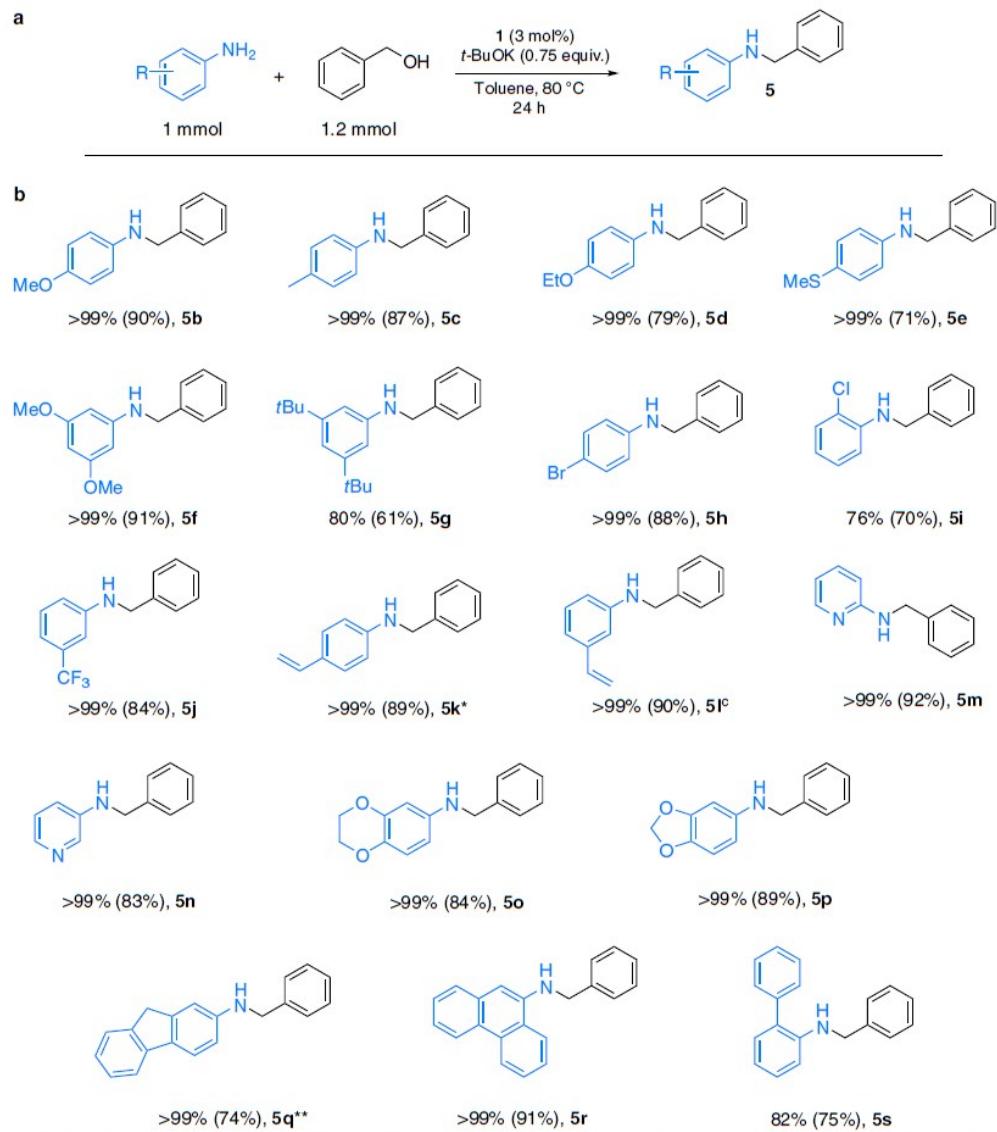


Figure 5 | Selective *N*-alkylation of various aromatic amines with benzyl alcohol. (a) General reaction conditions: aniline derivative (1 mmol), benzyl alcohol (1.2 mmol), **1** (3 mol%), *t*-BuOK (0.75 equiv.) and toluene (2 mL), 80 °C, 24 h. (b) Reaction of different aniline derivatives with alcohols. Conversion was determined by GC (isolated yield in parentheses). *Traces of reduction (<2%) of double bond were observed. **11% of *N*, *N*-dibenzyl-9H-fluoren-2-amine was detected.

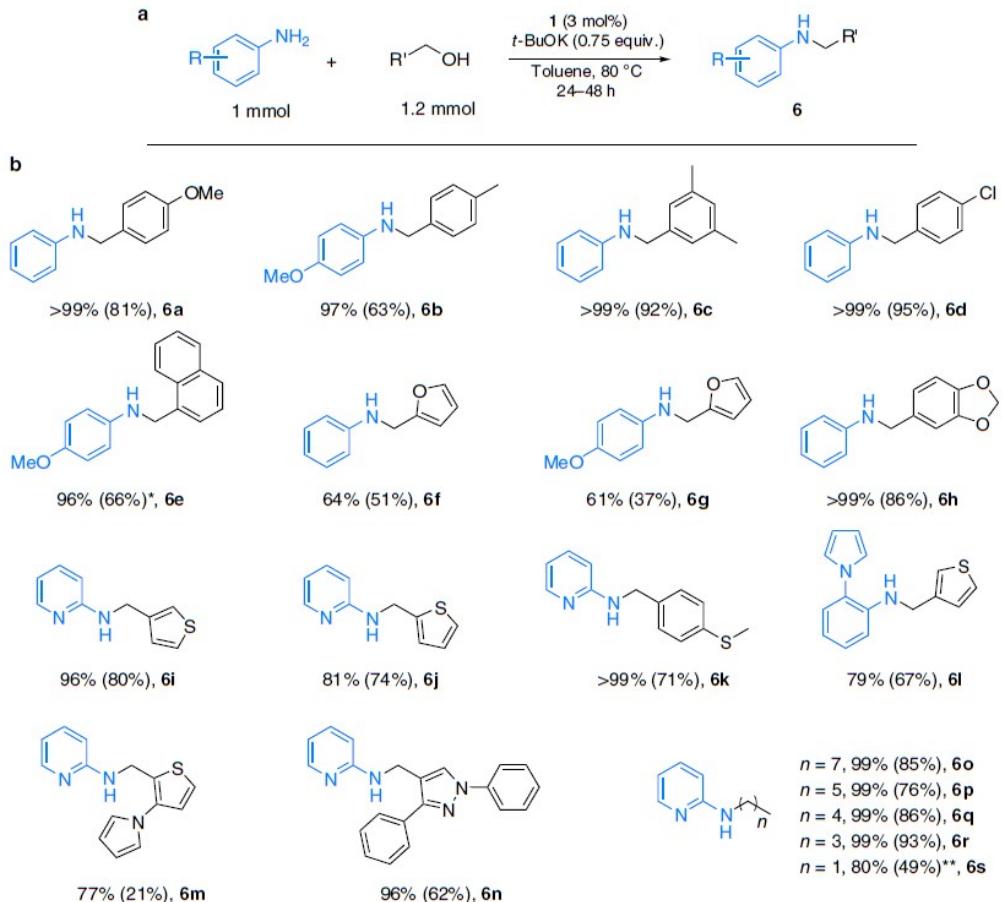
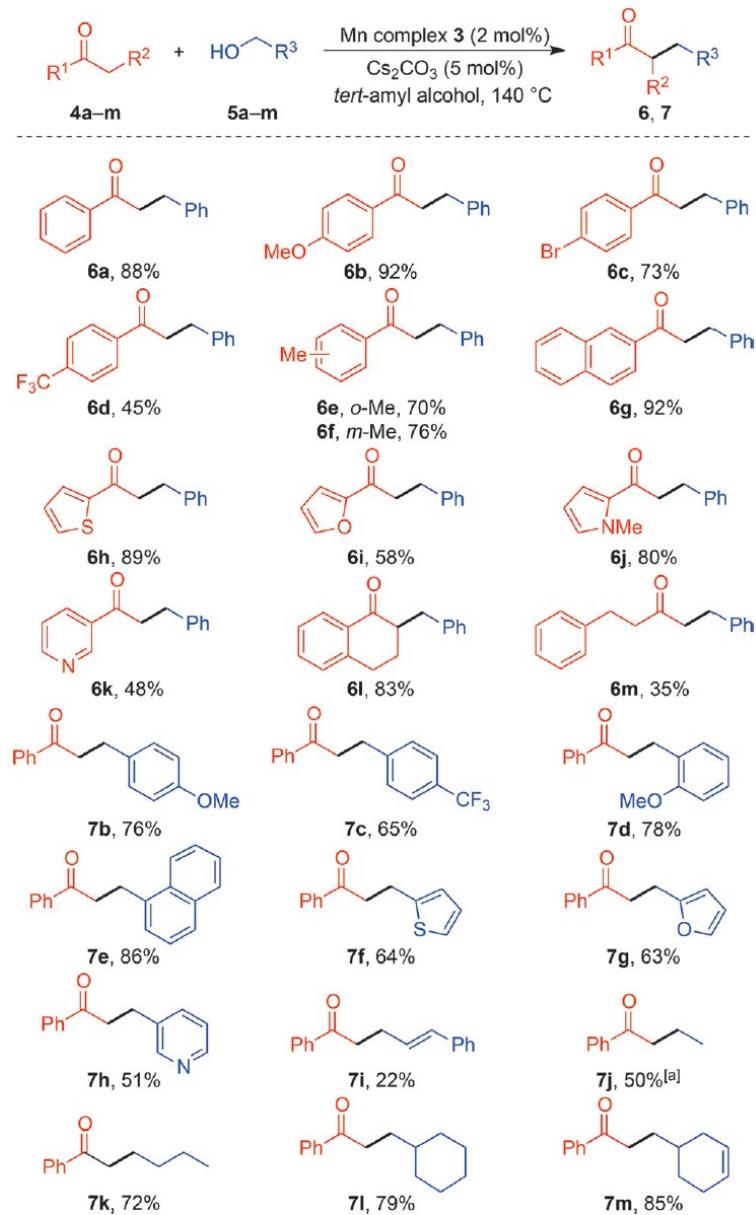


Figure 6 | *N*-alkylation of (hetero)aromatic amines using (hetero)aromatic and aliphatic alcohols. (a) General reaction conditions: aniline derivative (1mmol), benzyl alcohol (1.2mmol), **1** (3 mol%), t-BuOK (0.75 equiv.) and toluene (2 ml), 80 °C, 24 h. (b) Conversion was determined by GC (isolated yield in parentheses). **6o-6s** 48h. *22% of the corresponding imine was observed. **2 equiv. of ethanol was used.

C-Mn-1a/b – Synthesis of α -Alkylated Ketones

M. Peña-López, P. Piehl, S. Elangovan, H. Neumann and M. Beller, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2016**, *55*, 14967-14971.



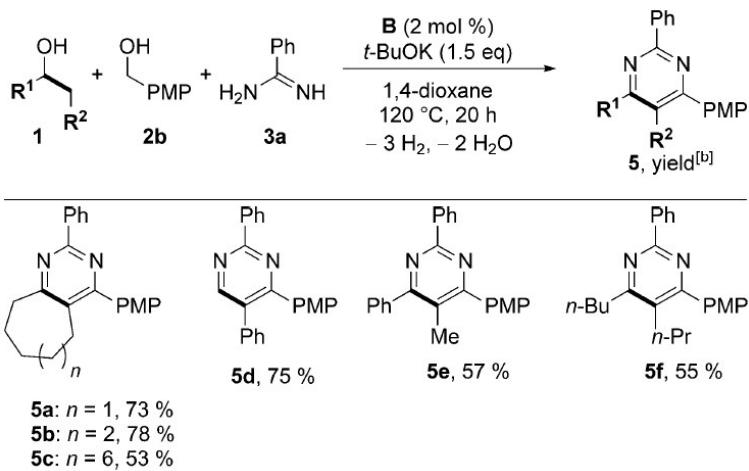
Scheme 2. Manganese-catalyzed reaction of ketones 4 with primary alcohols 5. Yields are for the isolated product. [a] EtOH (1 mL) was used as the solvent. The yield was determined by GC with hexadecane as an internal standard.

C-Mn-1a – Synthesis of Pyrimidines

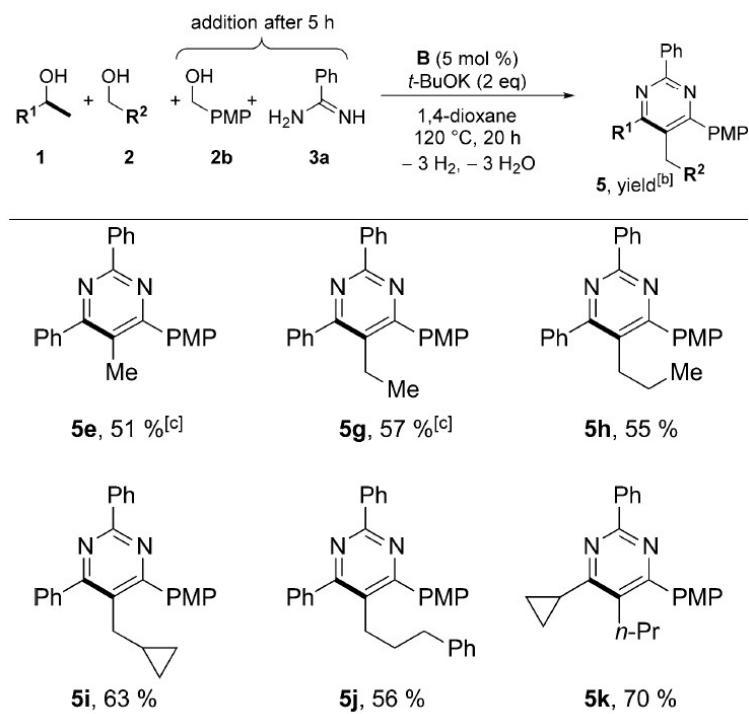
N. Deibl and R. Kempe, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, **2017**, *56*, 1663-1666.

Entry	Product	R	4	Yield ^[b]
1		R ¹ = Ph	4 b	79 %
2		R ¹ = PMP	4 c	73 %
3		R ¹ = 3-Cl-(C ₆ H ₄)-	4 d	71 %
4		R ¹ = 2-thienyl	4 e	73 %
5		R ¹ = 3-pyridyl	4 f	73 %
6		R ¹ = iso-propyl	4 g	66 %
7		R ¹ = cyclopropyl	4 h	70 %
8		R ¹ = H	4 i	50 %
9		R ² = cyclohexyl	4 j	53 %
10		R ² = n-pentyl	4 k	62 %
11		R ² = H	4 i	44 %
12		R ³ = PMP	4 l ^[c]	68 %
13		R ³ = Me	4 m ^[c]	57 %
14		R ³ = NH ₂	4 n ^[c]	62 %

[a] Reaction conditions: Secondary alcohol (1.5 mmol), primary alcohol (1.5 mmol), amidine/guanidine (1 mmol), *t*-BuOK (1.1 mmol), **B** (0.02 mmol, 2 mol %) 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), 120 °C (oil bath temperature), 20 h. [b] Yields of isolated products. [c] Corresponding amidine or guanidine hydrochloride with 1 additional equiv of *t*-BuOK was used.
PMP = *para*-methoxyphenyl.



[a] Reaction conditions: Secondary alcohol (1.5 mmol), primary alcohol (1.1 mmol), amidine (1.0 mmol), *t*-BuOK (1.5 mmol), **B** (0.02 mmol, 2 mol %) 1,4-dioxane (2 mL), 120 °C oil bath, 20 h. [b] Yields of isolated products. PMP = *para*-methoxyphenyl.



[a] Reaction conditions: Secondary alcohol (2.0 mmol), primary alcohol (2.2 mmol), *t*-BuOK (2.0 mmol), precatalyst **B** (0.05 mmol, 5 mol %) and 1,4-dioxane (1 mL) were heated for 5 h at 120 °C (oil bath temp.). Afterwards, amidine (1.0 mmol) and primary alcohol (1.1 mmol) were added as a solution in 1,4-dioxane (2 mL) and the reaction was heated under reflux for 20 h. [b] Yields of isolated products. [c] The β -alkylation reaction was run in a closed system. PMP = *para*-methoxyphenyl.

C-Mn-5 – Synthesis of Esters

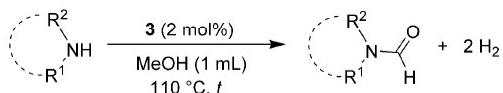
D. H. Nguyen, X. Trivelli, F. Capet, J.-F. Paul, F. Dumeignil and R. M. Gauvin, *ACS Catalysis*, **2017**, *7*, 2022-2032.

Entry	Substrate	T(°C)	t(h)	Yield (%) ^a	TON
1		110	72	74	123
2		130	72	89	148
3		150	24	84	140
4		150	24	83	138
5		150	24	76	127
6		150	24	82	137
7		150	24	80	133
8		120	72	70	117
9		150	24	74	123
10		150	24	67	112
11		120	72	0	0
12		150	24	37	62
13		150	24	95	158
14		150	24	88	147
15		150	24	82	137
16		150	24	66	110
17		150	24	12	20
18		150	24	95 ^b	158

^aReaction conditions: Catalyst 1 (0.6 mol %), alcohol (12.04 mmol), argon stream. ^bEster yield determined by ¹H NMR. ^b-butyrolactone was formed as the only product.

M-Mn-4 – Synthesis of N-Formylated Amines

S. Chakraborty, U. Gellrich, Y. Diskin-Posner, G. Leitus, L. Avram and D. Milstein, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition*, 2017, 56, 4229-4233.



Entry ^[a]	Amine	Product	t [h]	Conv. [%] ^[b]	Yield [%] ^[b]
1			12	99	86
			12	99	72 ^[c]
			12	99	78 ^[d]
2			14	97	61
3			24	99	50
4			15	99	78
5			14	99	70
6			12	99	67
7			18	99	74
8			12	83	71
9			12	99	56
10			14	99	57
11			12	93	66
12			15	99	62
13			24	99	53
14			15	97	64

[a] Reaction conditions: Amine (0.5 mmol), MeOH (1 mL), **3** (0.01 mmol), heated in a 100 mL closed Fischer–Porter tube at 110 °C.

[b] Yields and conversions determined by GC or NMR analysis using toluene or *meta*-xylene as the internal standard. The conversions are based on amine consumption. [c] Complex **4** as the catalyst. [d] Complex **5** as the catalyst. Differences in yield and conversion indicate the formation of the N-methylated amine and also an unidentified side product.

M-Mn-4 – Synthesis of Deoxygenated Products from Alcohols

J. O. Bauer, S. Chakraborty and D. Milstein, *ACS Catalysis*, **2017**, *7*, 4462-4466.

Entry	Substrate	Product	Yield [%] ^b
1			99
2			99
3 ^c			99
4 ^d			99
5 ^d			91
6			97
7			83
8 ^d			99
9			46 ^g
10 ^d			92
11			84
12 ^d			93
13 ^d			26
14			12
15 ^{d,f}			93 ^g

^aReaction conditions: Mn complex 1 (3 mol %), alcohol (0.5 mmol), hydrazine hydrate (2 equiv, 1.0 mmol), KO*t*Bu (2 equiv, 1.0 mmol), *N,N*-dimethylaniline (internal standard, 0.5 mmol), and *tert*-butanol (1.5 mL) were heated at reflux in a Schlenk flask (oil bath temperature: 115 °C) for 48 h. ^bYields of products were determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy, using *N,N*-dimethylaniline as an internal standard, supported by GC/MS analysis. ^c1,3,5-Trimethoxybenzene (0.5 mmol) was used as an internal standard. ^dThe reaction was carried out in a closed 50 mL Teflon Schlenk tube. ^eAdditional formation of 1-phenylpropane (53%) by partial hydrogenation of the C=C double bond. ^fThe reaction was carried out using a mixture of benzyl alcohol (0.5 mmol) and 1-phenylethanol (0.5 mmol). ^gFormation of phenylethane (19%) determined by ¹H NMR spectroscopy.

M-Mn-4 – Synthesis of α -Olefinated Nitriles

S. Chakraborty, U. K. Das, Y. Ben-David and D. Milstein, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 2017, 139, 11710-11713.

Entry	R_1	R_2	Cat 2 (4 mol%)	135 °C, t	R_1	R_2	Conv. (%) ^b	Yield (%) ^c
					OH	CN	C=C	CN
1							>99	91
2							>99	87
3							>99	81
4							>99	80
5							>99	85
6							90	76
7							45	59
8							45	82
9							60	78
10 ^d							60	69
11 ^d							45	58
12							44	73
13 ^d							45	67
14 ^d							45	65
15							43	99
16 ^{d,e}							45	20

^aConditions: alcohol (0.25 mmol), nitrile (0.25 mmol), 2 (0.01 mmol), toluene (1 mL) heated in a 50 mL closed Young Schlenk tube at 135 °C bath temperature. ^bConversion determined by GC or NMR analysis using *N,N*-dimethylaniline as internal standard. ^cIsolated yields. ^dYield by GC or NMR analysis using *N,N*-dimethylaniline internal standard. ^e8 mol % catalyst was used.