Supporting Information

for

A Palladium Chelating Complex of Ionic Water-soluble Nitrogen-containing Ligand: the Efficient Precatalyst for Suzuki-Miyaura Reaction in Water

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Figure S1 Energy dispersive X-ray spectrum with the use of Cu-grid of Pd NPs from the reaction catalyzed by **4**.



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Figure S2 Charge distribution of **2a** (a); the cation in **3** (b); the cation in **4** with the national bond orbital (NBO) population analysis (B3LYP/6-31+G** for C, N, Cl, and H atoms)



Figure S3. HOMO (left) and LUMO (right) of **2a** (isovalue = 0.03).



HOMO LUMO Figure S4. HOMO (left) and LUMO (right) of cation in 3 (isovalue = 0.03).



HOMO LUMO Figure S5. HOMO (left) and LUMO (right) of cation in **4** (isovalue = 0.03).



Figure S6. IR spectra of 3 and 4



Figure S7. Calculated vibration wavenumbers (cm⁻¹) and intensities of the strongest vibrations for **3** and **4**

Ν	-1.34170900	-0.99973700	0.57940800
Ν	-0.38732900	2.34776300	-0.53010500
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Н	4.04929400	-2.89411400	-0.65794400
Н	4.58353300	-1.72209800	-1.87175200

Table S8. Geometry coordinates of 2a:

Table S9. Geometry coordinates of the cation in **3**:

Ν	-2.34504100	-1.02966300	0.73803800
Ν	-1.86756100	2.03383600	-1.18823200
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С	-4.14757800	-2.36030400	-0.15278900
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С	-4.39444900	-1.39234300	-1.13113000
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С	-2.59331100	-0.09584800	-0.20044800
С	-1.77863300	1.13063900	-0.21664700
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Н	2.80151100	0.71662500	-1.71270600
Н	2.64956400	-0.99316400	-2.20151800

Table S10	Geometry	v coordinates	of the	cation	in	4.
Table STU.	Geometry	v coordinates	or the	Cation	ш	4:

Pd	0.53412200	-1.46818300	0.54005100	
Cl	0.20435100	-2.97533000	-1.19977300	
Cl	-1.20968700	-2.35676500	1.79598500	
Ν	1.99324200	-0.37832100	-0.49781300	
Ν	0.72211600	0.21462100	1.77272200	
Ν	0.65175000	2.40830400	1.45875700	
Ν	-3.06351300	0.43899500	-1.22324600	
С	2.80276200	-0.83738700	-1.46145800	

Н	2.66668200	-1.87915500	-1.73219000
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Н	-3.89719900	1.48694200	-2.87751900
Н	-4.40282100	2.10131800	-1.27568500
С	-3.45203500	0.05291200	0.18566300
Н	-4.34990500	-0.56396800	0.13027500
Н	-3.66496100	0.95415600	0.75946300
Н	-2.64561100	-0.52730200	0.64222600

S11 Characterization data for coupling products:

4-Nitrobiphenyl

¹H NMR: δ 8.33 (d, *J* =8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, *J* =8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.65 (t, *J* =7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 147.65, 147.14, 138.81, 129.15, 128.90, 127.80, 127.38, 124.10

Biphenyl-4-carbonitrile

¹H NMR: δ 7.77-7.70 (m, 4H), 7.63-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.45 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 145.70, 139.21, 132.59, 129.10, 128.65, 127.74, 127.23, 118.90, 110.97.

1-(Biphenyl-4-yl)ethanone

¹H NMR: δ 8.06 (d, J =8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.3Hz, 2H), 7.65 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H), 7.50 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 2.67 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 197.71, 145.81, 139.91, 135.91, 128.94, 128.90, 128.22, 127.27, 127.23, 26.62.

4-Methoxy-4'-nitrobiphenyl

¹H NMR: δ 8.29 (d, J =8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 2H), 7.60 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 160.48, 147.22, 146.60, 131.11, 128.56, 127.07, 124.13, 114.63, 55.42.

3-Methyl-4'-nitrobiphenyl

¹H NMR: δ 8.31 (d, *J* =8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 8.8Hz, 2H), 7.46-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.29 (s,1H), 2.47 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 147.82, 147.07, 138.88, 138.79, 129.65, 129.05, 128.11, 127.78, 124.50, 124.04, 21.49.

4-Fluoro-4'-nitrobiphenyl

¹H NMR: δ 8.32 (d, J =8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.8Hz, 2H), 7.64-7.61 (m, 2H), 7.21 (t, J = 8.6Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR: δ 164.62, 162.14, 147.12, 146.57, 134.95, 129.18, 129.10, 127.65, 124.17, 116.30, 116.09; ¹⁹F NMR: δ: -112.75. **1-(4'-Methoxybiphenyl-4-yl)ethanone** ¹H NMR: δ 8.03 (d, J =8.3Hz, 2H), 7.67 (d, J = 8.3Hz, 2H), 7.60(d, J = 8.6Hz, 2H), 7.03 (d, J = 8.6Hz, 2H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.65 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 197.65, 159.95, 145.38, 135.33, 132.28, 128.93, 128.35, 126.61, 114.43, 55.37, 26.56.

1-(4'-Fluorobiphenyl-4-yl)ethanone

¹H NMR: δ 8.05 (d, J = 8.4Hz, 2H), 7.67-7.60 (m, 4H), 7.18 (t, J = 8.6Hz, 2H), 2.66 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 197.60, 164.4, 161.90, 144.75, 136.01, 135.90, 128.96, 128.89, 127.07, 116.02, 115.80, 26.61; ¹⁹F NMR: δ: -114.06.

1-(3'-Methylbiphenyl-4-yl)ethanone

¹H NMR: δ 8.05 (d, J =8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, J =8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.45 (d, J =8.1Hz, 2H), 7.38 (t, J =7.5Hz, 1H), 7.24(d, J =7.4Hz, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 197.73, 145.96, 139.89, 138.60, 135.83, 128.97, 128.85, 128.03, 127.22, 124.39, 26.62, 21.50.

1-(4'-Methylbiphenyl-4-yl)ethanone

¹H NMR: δ 8.04 (d, *J* =8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.70 (d, *J* =8.5 Hz, 2H), 7.56 (d, *J* =8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.31 (d, *J* =7.9Hz, 2H), 2.66 (s, 3H), 2.44 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR: δ 197.69, 145.74, 138.23, 136.99, 135.66, 129.68, 128.89, 127.10, 126.95, 26.60, 21.14.