

The Supporting Information for

Chelation-Assisted Palladium-Catalyzed High Regioselective Heck Diarylation Reaction of 9-Allyl-9*H*-Purine: Synthesis of 9-(3,3-Diaryl-allyl)-9*H*-Purines

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General Information: NMR spectra were recorded with a 400 MHz spectrometer for ¹H NMR, 100 MHz for ¹³C NMR. Chemical shifts δ are given in ppm relative to the residual signals of tetramethylsilane in CDCl₃ or deuterated solvent CDCl₃ for ¹H and ¹³C NMR. High resolution mass spectra were taken with a 3000 mass spectrometer, using Waters Q-ToFMS/MS system. For column chromatography silica gel (200-300 mesh) was used as the stationary phase. All reactions were monitored by thin layer chromatography (TLC). All reagents and solvents were obtained from commercial suppliers and used without further purification unless otherwise noted. Starting materials 9-allyl-6-methoxypurine (**1**)¹ and 9-allyl-6-methylpurine (**2**)² were prepared according to literature methods.

General procedure of chelation-assisted Pd-catalyzed diarylation reactions:

A 25 mL tube, containing a Teflon stirbar, was charged with 9-allyl-6-methoxypurine or 9-allyl-6-methylpurine (0.2 mmol), Pd(OAc)₂ (0.01 mmol, 2.3 mg, 5 mol %), Ar₁I (0.204 mmol) and Ar₂I (0.204 mmol) (for double arylation) or ArI (0.6 mmol) (for diarylation), and AgOAc (0.4 mmol, 66.8 mg), then AcOH (0.8 mL) was added and the tube was sealed with a Teflon lined cap. The resulting mixture was stirred at 120 °C for 4.5 hours. TLC showed no starting material remained, and then reaction mixture was cooled down to room temperature, filtered through a plug of celite, and the celite was rinsed with copious EtOAc. The filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and the residue was purified by column chromatography on a silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc) affording the corresponding double arylated product.

General procedure of chelation-assisted Pd-catalyzed phenylation of **1 under classical Heck reaction conditions:**

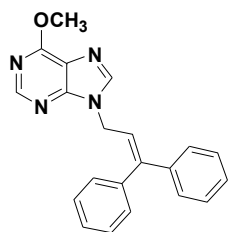
A 25 mL Schlenk tube containing a stir bar was charged with 0.3 mmol **1**, 3 equiv of PhI (for diphenylation) or 1.2 equiv of PhI (for monophenylation), 5 mol % Pd(OAc)₂, 10 mol % Ph₃P or 5 mol % bidentate ligand (dppp, dppf), and 0.9 mmol NaOAc, then DMF (1.5 mL) was added and the reaction mixture was heated at 120 °C for eight hours under N₂ atmosphere via several vacuum-N₂ exchanges. The resulting mixture was cooled down to room temperature, filtered through a plug of celite, and the celite was rinsed with copious EtOAc. The filtrate was extracted with 1 N *aq* HCl (3×10 mL). The combined aqueous phase was neutralized by adding NaHCO₃ and then was extracted with EtOAc (3×20 mL). After combining the organic phase and drying over MgSO₄, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography on a silica gel (eluent: petroleum ether/EtOAc) affording the corresponding product.

For diphenylation: **1aa** was obtained in respectively 78%, 77%, 44% isolated yield with Ph₃P, dppp, dppf respectively as the ligand.

For monophenylation: **1a** was obtained in 88 % isolated yiled with Ph₃P as the ligand.

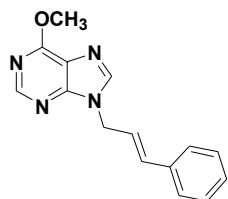
Characterization of compounds

9-(3,3-Diphenyl-allyl)-6-methoxy-9H-purine (1aa)



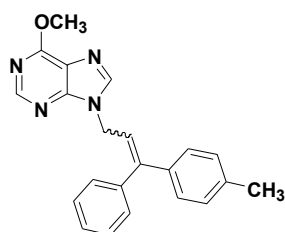
White solid. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.48-7.40 (m, 3H), 7.29-7.22 (m, 7H), 6.33 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.0, 152.0, 151.8, 147.0, 141.6, 140.6, 138.2, 129.4, 128.7, 128.3, 128.2, 128.1, 127.4, 121.4, 120.8, 54.1, 43.0; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 365.1378, found 365.1375.

6-Methoxy-9-(3-phenyl-allyl)-9H-purine (1a)



Pale white crystal. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) (mingled with a trace of Ph_3PO) δ 8.58 (s, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.37-7.27 (m, 5H), 6.62 (d, $J = 16.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.41-6.34 (m, 1H), 5.02 (d, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 2H), 4.21 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.9, 152.4, 151.6, 141.9, 135.4, 134.7, 128.6, 128.4, 126.6, 122.0, 120.6, 54.3, 45.8; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 267.1246, found 267.1248.

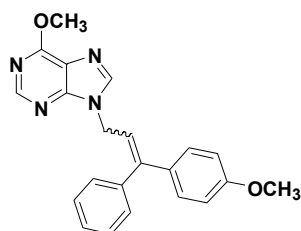
6-Methoxy-9-(3-phenyl-3-*p*-tolyl-allyl)-9H-purine (1ab)



White crystal. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) (E/Z isomers) δ 8.55-8.54 (m, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.46-7.38 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 5H), 7.14-7.06 (m, 3H), 6.34-6.24 (m, 1H), 4.92-4.88 (m, 2H),

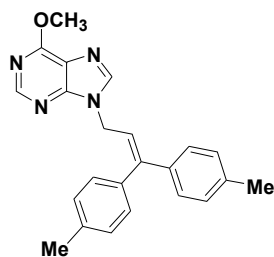
4.18 (s, 3H), 2.40-2.32 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.0, 152.0, 151.8, 147.1, 147.0, 141.7, 140.8, 138.2, 138.1, 138.0, 137.8, 129.55, 129.4, 129.3, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 128.3, 128.27, 128.2, 128.1, 128.0, 127.5, 127.45, 127.4, 127.3, 121.5, 120.8, 120.6, 119.6, 54.2, 43.0, 21.3, 21.1; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 379.1535, found 379.1533.

6-Methoxy-9-[3-(4-methoxy-phenyl)-3-phenyl-allyl]-9H-purine (1ac)



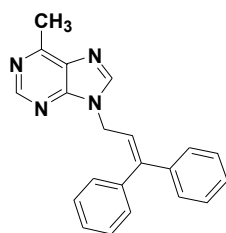
Light yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) (E/Z isomers) δ 8.56-8.55 (m, 1H), 7.86-7.83 (m, 1H), 7.45-7.41 (m, 1H), 7.40-7.23 (m, 4H), 7.18-7.15 (m, 2H), 6.98-6.96 (m, 1H), 6.82-6.80 (m, 1H), 6.28-6.23 (m, 1H), 4.95-4.86 (m, 2H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 3.86-3.79 (m, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 170.3, 169.6, 169.3, 159.4, 158.7, 152.5, 151.0, 142.6, 140.7, 134.8, 134.5, 132.8, 132.1, 130.8, 129.5, 129.2, 128.7, 128.3, 127.9, 127.6, 126.2, 116.2, 115.9, 114.1, 113.7, 86.6, 80.2, 73.1, 70.4, 62.9, 55.5, 20.8, 20.6, 20.5; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{22}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 395.1484, found 395.1485.

9-(3,3-Di-*p*-tolylallyl)-6-methoxy-9H-purine (1bb)



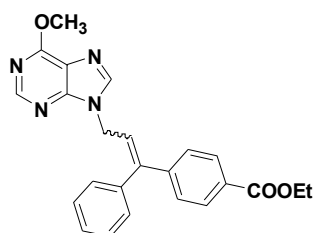
Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 4H), 7.08 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.26 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.90 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.0, 152.0, 151.9, 147.1, 141.7, 138.1, 138.0, 137.8, 135.3, 129.4, 129.3, 128.9, 127.4, 121.5, 119.7, 54.2, 43.0, 21.3, 21.1; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 371.1872, found 371.1867.

9-(3,3-Diphenylallyl)-6-methyl-9H-purine (2aa)



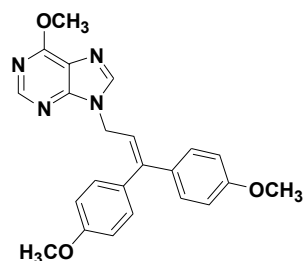
Light yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.85 (s, 1H), 7.93 (s, 1H), 7.47-7.39 (m, 3H), 7.28-7.26 (m, 7H), 6.36-6.32 (m, 1H), 4.94-4.92 (m, 2H), 2.87 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.2, 152.3, 150.3, 147.3, 144.9, 143.2, 140.5, 138.7, 129.5, 128.8, 128.4, 128.3, 128.2, 127.5, 120.7, 42.8, 19.5; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_4\text{Na}$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 349.1429, found 349.1436.

Ethyl 4-(3-(6-methoxy-9H-purin-9-yl)-1-phenylprop-1-en-1-yl)benzoate (1ad)



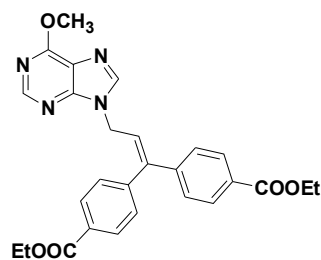
Light yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) (E/Z isomers) δ 8.56 (s, 0.5H), 8.55 (s, 0.5H), 8.13 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 (s, 0.5H), 7.83 (s, 0.5H), 7.48-7.42 (m, 1.7H), 7.36 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.29-7.24 (m, 3.3H), 7.20 (d, $J = 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.40 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 0.5H), 6.36 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 0.5H), 4.93 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.41 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.35 (q, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 1.41 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1.5H), 1.37 (t, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1.5H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.2, 166.1, 161.1, 152.2, 151.8, 146.1, 144.8, 142.9, 141.6, 141.5, 139.9, 137.6, 130.3, 129.9, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.5, 128.4, 127.4, 127.3, 122.9, 121.6, 121.5, 61.2, 61.0, 54.2, 42.9, 14.4, 14.3; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 437.1590, found 437.1591.

9-(3,3-Bis(4-methoxyphenyl)allyl)-6-methoxy-9H-purine (1cc)



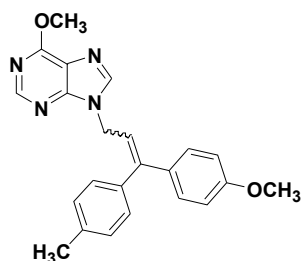
Yellow oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.54 (s, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.16 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.14 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 2H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 2H), 6.18 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.18 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.9, 159.6, 159.3, 152.0, 146.4, 141.7, 133.6, 132.2, 130.8, 130.5, 128.8, 121.3, 118.6, 114.0, 113.6, 113.4, 55.3, 54.2, 43.1; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 425.1590, found 425.1591.

Diethyl 4,4'-(3-(6-methoxy-9H-purin-9-yl)prop-1-ene-1,1-diyl)dibenzoate (1dd)



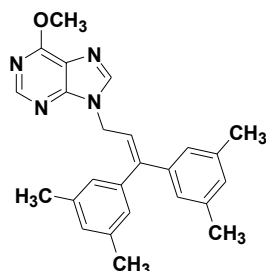
Brown oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 8.15 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.94 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.35 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.25 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 6.44 (t, $J = 6.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.91 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 2H), 4.41 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.35 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 1.42 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H), 1.37 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 166.1, 166.0, 161.1, 152.3, 151.8, 145.1, 144.1, 142.2, 141.5, 130.6, 130.3, 130.2, 129.7, 129.6, 127.3, 123.7, 121.5, 61.3, 61.1, 54.3, 42.9, 14.4, 14.3; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{27}\text{H}_{26}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_5$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 509.1801, found 509.1806.

6-Methoxy-9-(3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-3-(*p*-tolyl)allyl)-9*H*-purine (1bc)



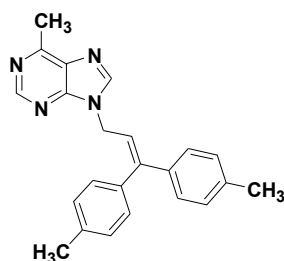
Brown oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) (E/Z isomers) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 7.85 (s, 0.5H), 7.84 (s, 0.5H), 7.24 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.18-7.07 (m, 5H), 6.95 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.22 (q, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.92 (d, $J = 6.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 1.5H), 3.78 (s, 1.5H), 2.40 (s, 1.5H), 2.32 (s, 1.5H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 161.0, 159.6, 159.3, 152.1, 152.0, 151.8, 146.7, 146.6, 141.8, 141.7, 138.2, 138.1, 137.8, 135.4, 133.4, 130.8, 130.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.7, 127.5, 121.5, 119.6, 118.7, 114.0, 113.6, 55.3, 55.2, 54.2, 43.1, 21.3, 21.1; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_4\text{NaO}_2$ $[\text{M} + \text{Na}]^+$ 409.1640, found 409.1638.

9-(3,3-Bis(3,5-dimethylphenyl)allyl)-6-methoxy-9*H*-purine (1ee)



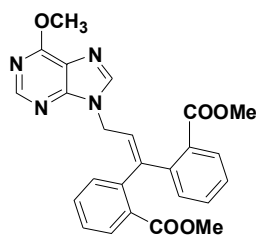
Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.01 (s, 1H), 6.92 (s, 1H), 6.85 (s, 2H), 6.83 (s, 2H), 6.22 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 4.88 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 2.33 (s, 6H), 2.25 (s, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 160.9, 151.9, 151.8, 147.7, 141.7, 140.8, 138.2, 138.1, 137.7, 129.8, 129.6, 127.1, 125.3, 121.4, 120.3, 54.2, 42.9, 21.3, 21.2; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{27}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 339.2185, found 339.2182.

9-(3,3-Di-*p*-tolylallyl)-6-methyl-9*H*-purine (2bb)



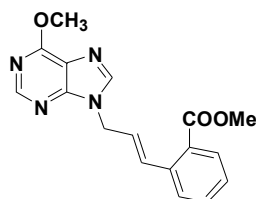
White power. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.55 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 4H), 7.08 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.26 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.90 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.19 (s, 3H), 2.40 (s, 3H), 2.32 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 159.1, 152.2, 150.3, 147.2, 143.3, 138.1, 138.0, 137.9, 135.3, 132.9, 129.3, 129.0, 127.4, 119.4, 42.8, 21.3, 21.1, 19.5; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{23}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_4\text{O}$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 355.1923, found 355.1921.

Dimethyl 2,2'-(3-(6-methoxy-9*H*-purin-9-yl)prop-1-ene-1,1-diyl)dibenzoate (1ff)



Colorless oil. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.01 (s, 1H), 7.84 (dd, J = 7.6, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.59-7.52 (m, 3H), 7.43-7.35 (m, 3H), 7.31-7.27 (m, 1H), 5.95 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 4.16 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.62 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 169.0, 167.7, 160.9, 151.9, 151.7, 144.1, 142.4, 140.8, 138.1, 132.0, 131.6, 131.4, 131.0, 130.9, 130.6, 129.9, 129.1, 128.2, 127.6, 124.4, 121.2, 54.1, 52.3, 52.2, 42.3; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{25}\text{H}_{23}\text{N}_4\text{O}_5$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 459.1668, found 459.1669.

(*E*)-Methyl 2-(3-(6-methoxy-9*H*-purin-9-yl)prop-1-en-1-yl)benzoate (1f)



White solid. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.58 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.97-7.91 (m, 1H), 7.49-7.45 (m, 3H), 7.38-7.33 (m, 1H), 6.23 (dt, J = 14.6, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.06 (dd, J = 6.4, 1.6 Hz,

2H), 4.20 (s, 3H), 3.88 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 167.4, 161.1, 152.1, 151.8, 142.0, 137.7, 134.1, 132.3, 130.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.7, 124.8, 121.4, 54.2, 52.2, 45.6; HRMS: calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_4\text{O}_3$ $[\text{M} + \text{H}]^+$ 325.1301, found 325.1301.

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Copies of ^1H and ^{13}C NMR spectra

