Toward Chiral Condensation Polymers



Burke AHF Examples



Target	Steps	Overall % Yield	Steps	Overall % Yield
(+)-Patulolide C	3	49	9-19	2-33
(-)-Pyrenophorol	5	32	11-16	2-11
(+)-Decarestrictine L	4	47	7-20	2-22
(+)-PD Lactone	3	62	8-27	1-17

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What controls selectivity?

Generalized mechanism proposed by Heck and Breslow in 1961 (for HCo(CO)₄):



Outside-In vs. Inside-Out Approaches

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Industrial Spy Analogy to Mechanistic Study



Industrial Espionage Analogy to Mechanism



Mechanistic Studies – Outside-In



AHF of Styrene: Pressure Effects



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Hydroformylation with D₂



Styrene Deuterioformylation



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Linear & Branched Product Rate Laws

80°C [styrene]₀=1.0 M 80psia H₂

 $\frac{\text{Rate}_{\text{linear}} = k_{\text{linear}} \text{ [styrene][Rh]}}{\text{Rate}_{\text{branched}} = k_{\text{branched}} \text{ [styrene][Rh]}}$

- Linear Strong CO inhibition
- Branched transforms from independent to inhibited by CO
- Branched:Linear Ratio $\langle P_{CO} \rangle$



Rates for *R*- & *S*- Branched Products

 80° C [styrene]₀=1.0 M $80psig H_2$



Origins of Selectivity



Direct Observation: Low T, Low P



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Branched Acyl Complex - A



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Linear Acyl Complex - B



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In-Situ High Pressure NMR

- NMR is the most information-rich technique for catalysis by diamagnetic organometallics
- High Pressure NMR suffers from slow gas-liquid mass transport

Ideally we would use NMR

- As a high throughput device
- Under common reaction pressures and temperatures
- With excellent gas-liquid mixing
- To simultaneously monitor product formation and catalyst speciation as a function of time

WiHP-NMRR (Wisconsin High Pressure NMR Reactor)



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Rapid Injection in WiHP-NMRR



Spring Knapp

In Situ NMR: Styrene Hydroformylation



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Catalyst Speciation (20psia H₂, 313K)



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More than one step is important...

 At low CO pressure, more catalyst enters the slower, but thermodynamically favored, linear pathway







Catalytic versus Non-Catalytic Reactions





Hydrogenolysis Experimental Setup



After **7b**:**7l** = 1:1, cool reaction spectrometer to 290 K. Add CO to desired pressure. Add H₂; start collecting ³¹P{¹H} and ¹H spectra



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Exploring Non-Catalytic Hydrogenolysis Rates



- Data collected at 3 CO pressures (18, 35, 70 psia) and a wide range of H₂ pressures (20-720 psia)
- No isomerization between 7b and 7l observed
- Saturation behavior in [H₂]
- First order inhibition on [CO]



Global Fitting in COPASI



- 4 adjustable parameters to fit 40 experiments
 - k_{1b}
 - k₁₁
 - k_{-1b}/k_{2b}
 - k₋₁₁/k₂₁
- Give the model [CO], [H₂], [b]_t, [l]_t for each reaction
- Computes one set of parameters to best fit all experimental data

COPASI: Hoops, S.; Sahle, S.; Gauges, R.; Lee, C.; Pahle, J.; Simus, N.; Singhal, M.; Xu, L.; Mendes, P.; Kummer, U. Bioinformatics 2006, 22, 3067.



Modeling Hydrogenolysis





Kinetic Parameters for Hydrogenolysis



- 7b dissociates CO 3.5x faster than 7I
- Competition for binding CO versus reaction with H₂ similar for both **6b** and **6I**
- These differences alone cannot explain the drastic mismatch between catalyst speciation and product ratios in catalytic hydroformylation
- Catalytic data are at a different temperature than the hydrogenolysis experiments



Modeling Catalytic Data





- For the catalytic hydroformylation at 40 psia syn gas and 17 °C:
 - [**7b**]_{SS} = 4.9 mM
 - [**7I**]_{SS} = 1.9 mM
- Predicted rate of product formation:

Rate_{br} = $5.2(2) \times 10^{-6}$ M/s Rate_{lin} = $3.6(3) \times 10^{-7}$ M/s

Observed catalytic rates:

Rate_{br} = $1.8(1) \times 10^{-5}$ M/s (3.5x) Rate_{lin} = $8.3(1) \times 10^{-7}$ M/s (2.3x)





Shunted versus Direct Pathways



- direct pathway contributes substantially to the overall rate even under conditions in which all of the observable catalyst is off-cycle
- inappropriate to identify the reaction as rate-limited by the hydrogenolysis of acyl dicarbonyls



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