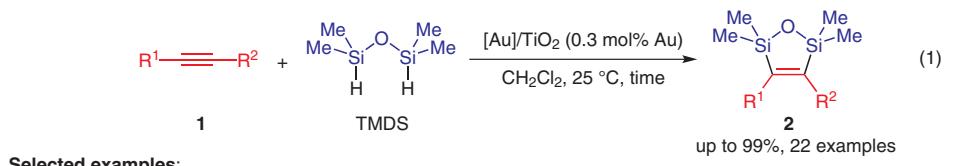


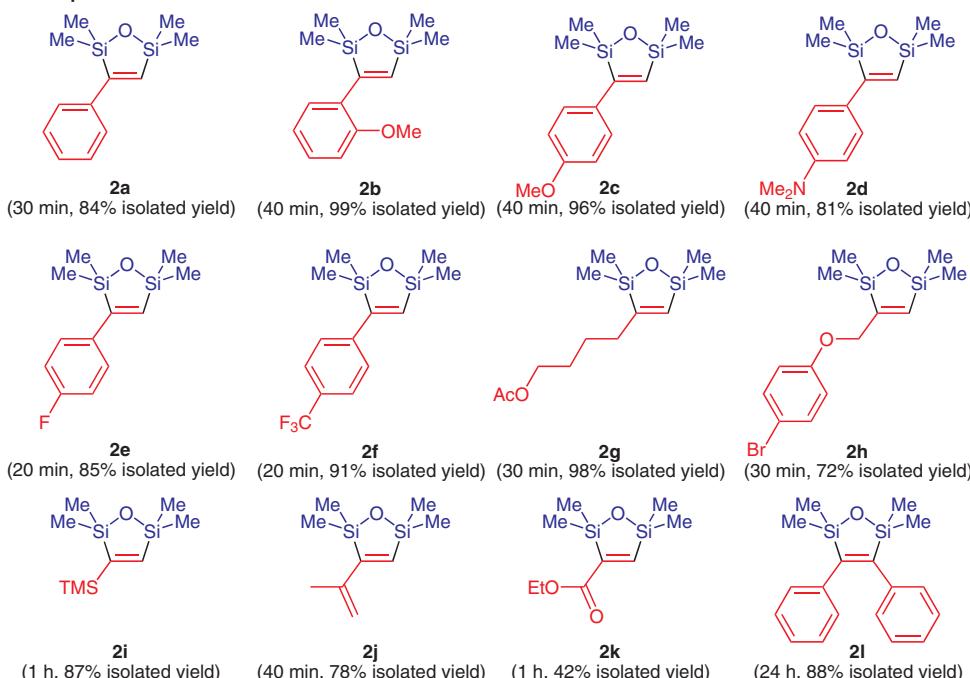
Cycloaddition of Tetramethyldisiloxane to Alkynes with [Au]/TiO₂

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Polymer-Supported Synthesis
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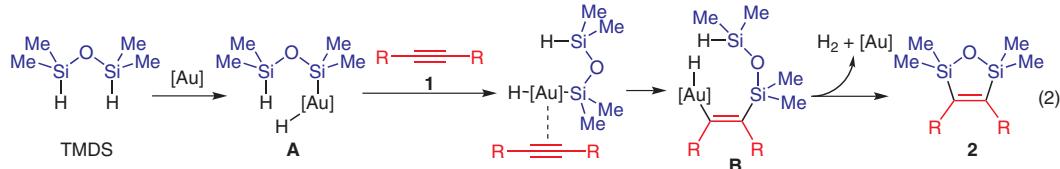
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Selected examples:



Proposed reaction pathway:



Significance: TiO₂-supported gold nanoparticles ([Au]/TiO₂) catalyzed the oxidative cycloaddition of 1,1,3,3-tetramethyldisiloxane (TMDS) to alkynes **1** to give the corresponding cycloadducts **2** in up to 99% isolated yield (22 examples, eq. 1).

Comment: The authors proposed a reaction pathway for the present oxidative cycloaddition as follows (eq. 2): (1) oxidative addition of TMDS to [Au] giving H-[Au]-Me₂SiOSiHMe₂ (**A**); (2) insertion of alkynes **1** into the Si–Au bond forming gold adducts **B**; (3) intramolecular elimination of H₂ and [Au] to give cycloadducts **2**.