Heck and Sonogashira Reactions on Magnetic Cobalt Nanoparticles

Significance: A magnetic, chitosan-supported, methyl salicylate–cobalt complex (Co-MS@MNPs/CS) was prepared as shown in eq. 1. Co-MS@MNPs/CS catalyzed the Heck reaction of aryl halides with terminal olefins to give the corresponding internal alkenes in ≤92% yield (eq. 2, 26 examples). Co-MS@MNPs/CS also promoted the Sonogashira reaction of aryl iodides or bromides with arylacetylenes to give the corresponding diarylacetylenes in ≤80% yield (eq. 3, 15 examples).

Comment: The catalyst was characterized by means of FT-IR, TGA, EA, XRD, FE-SEM, SEM-EDX, TEM, magnetization curve, and ICP analyses. In the Heck reaction of iodobenzene with methyl acrylate, the catalyst was recovered and reused four times without loss of its catalytic activity.

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