ASYMMETRIC [3,3]-SIGMATROPIC REARRANGEMENT IN GOLD(I)-CATALYZED INTERMOLECULAR CARBOALKOXYLATION

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Enantioselective gold-catalyzed catalysis is challenging, especially in an intermolecular mode, because of the linear coordination geometry of the alkyne-gold(I) complex where the chiral ligand lies away from the reaction site. Promoted by our recent success in promoting intermolecular enantioselective coupling of propiolates and alkenes [1], we embarked on the enantioselective reaction between allyl ethers and propiolates [2], where the reaction proceed through *O*-attack of allyl ether, followed by a [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement. In this reaction, allyl ethers provided the corresponding products with upto 84 % ee. Interestingly, allyl sulfides displayed a complementary scope of the migrating allyl moiety and gave upto 92 %ee of the rearranged products.



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