CROSS-COUPLING OF CHLORO(HETERO)ARENES WITH THIOLATES EMPLOYING A Ni-PRECATALYST

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A general and efficient Ni-catalyzed coupling of challenging aryl chlorides and in situ generated aliphatic and aromatic thiolates is described.^[1] The employed on-cycle, airstable defined Ni precatalysts allow for transformation of a broad scope of substrates. A variety of functional groups and heterocyclic motifs as well as structurally varied thiols are tolerated at unprecedented moderate catalyst loadings ($0.5 - 2 \mod \%$) and reaction temperatures (rt – 60 °C). Depending on reaction conditions, aryl thiols can selectively undergo C–S or C–C couplings.



reagent-controlled mechanistic divergence

^[1] Org. Lett. 2019, 21, 50 – 55.