

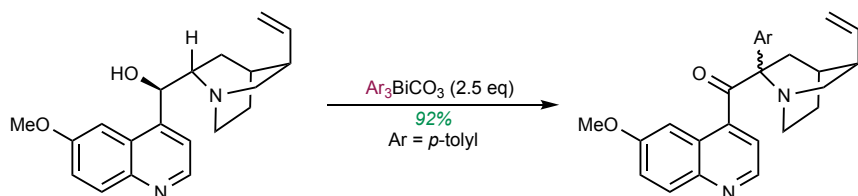
## Not covered:

Phenol C-arylation (See CWD, MOTW)  
Pd-catalyzed reactions

## Key References/Reviews:

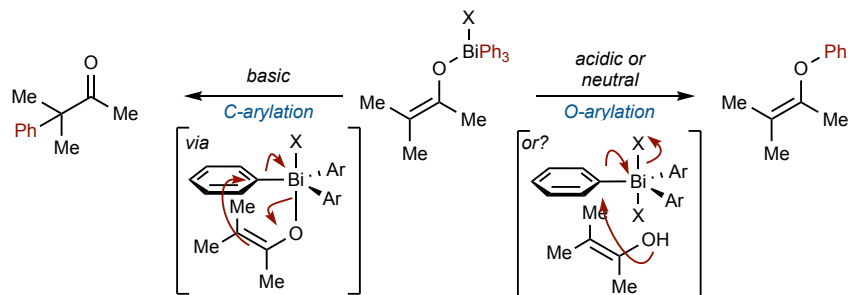
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## Initial use as arylating reagents<sup>1</sup>



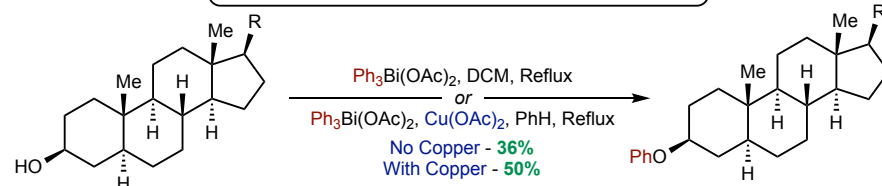
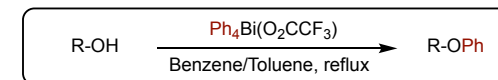
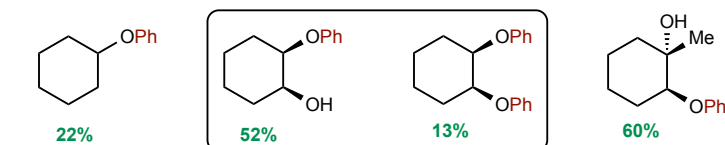
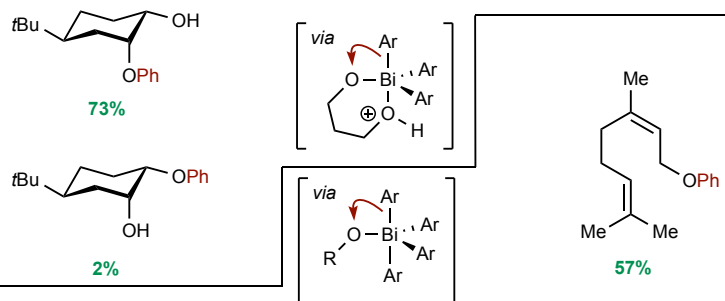
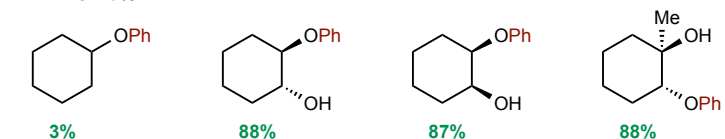
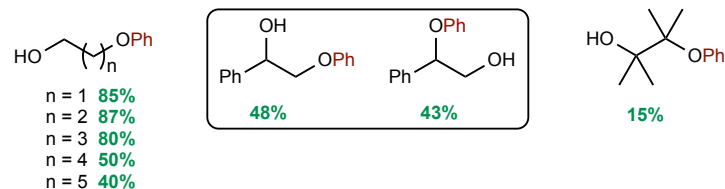
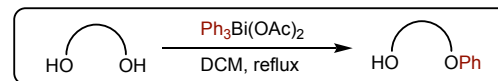
Attempted oxidation of quinine lead to  $\alpha$ -arylated ketone

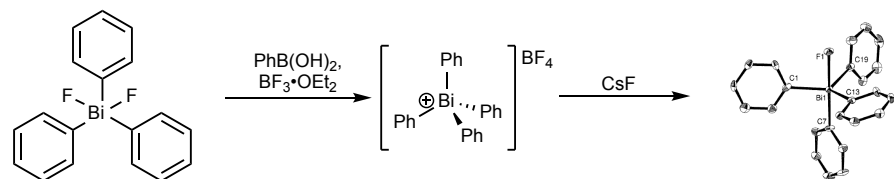
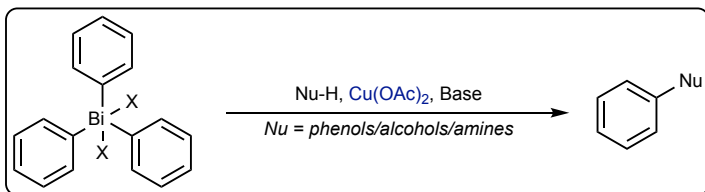
## Phenol Arylation with Bi(V) Reagents<sup>2</sup>



C- vs. O-arylation can be controlled by conditions:  
Basic conditions through 5-center TS  
Acidic conditions through 3-center TS or direct  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$

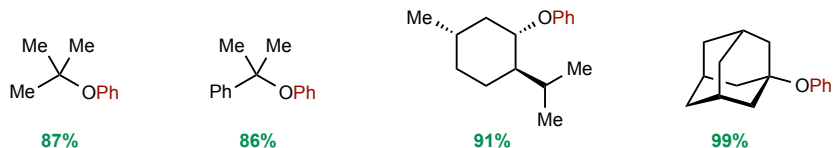
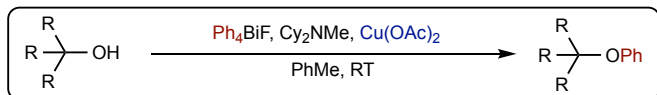
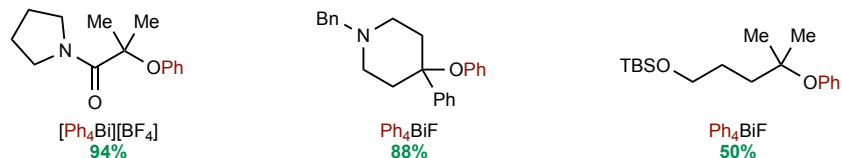
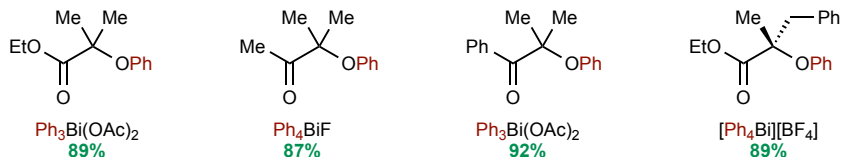
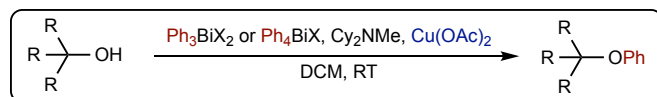
## Alcohol Arylation with Bi(V) Reagents<sup>3,4</sup>



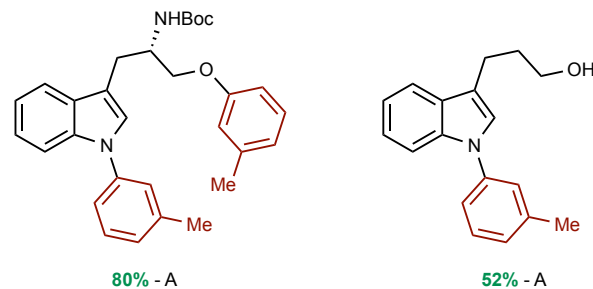
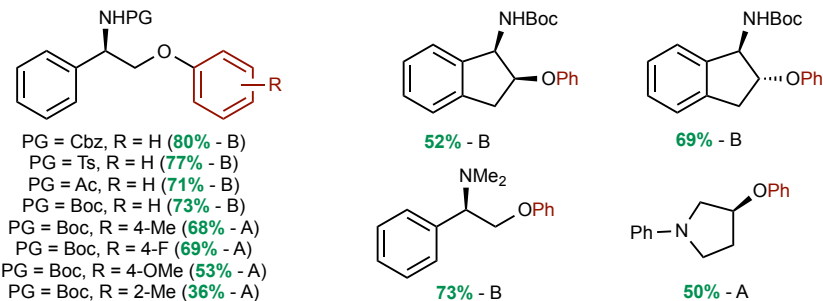
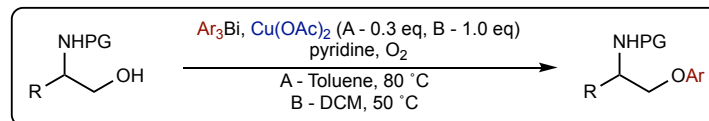


triaryl bismuth(V)  
dihalides

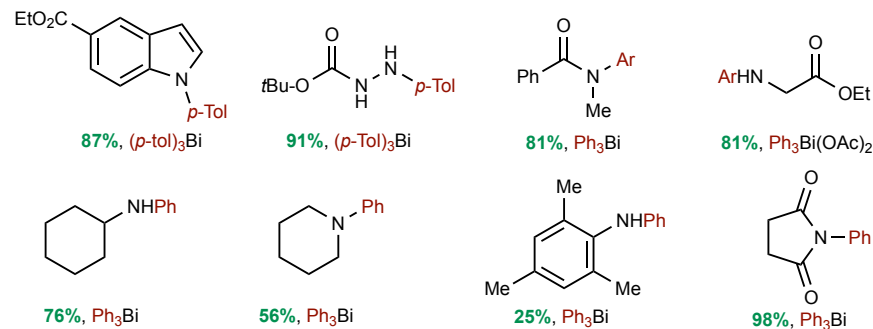
tetraaryl bismuthonium(V) salts<sup>5</sup>

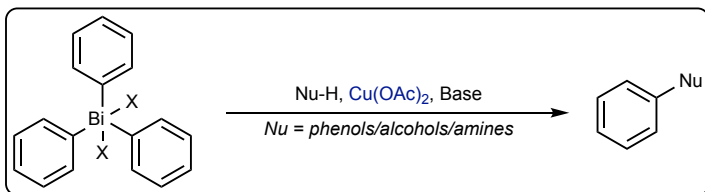


## Bi(III) Arylations<sup>6</sup>

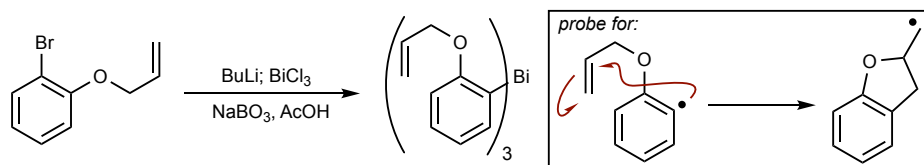


## N-Arylation, selected substrates

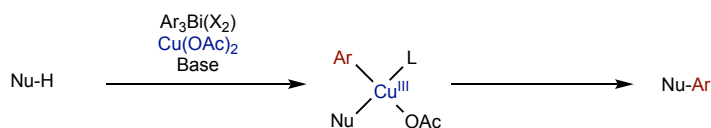




## Mechanistic Investigation<sup>7</sup>



Smoothly arylated alcohols, amines, and phenols under Cu(II) conditions:  
Radical intermediates are not generated during reactions



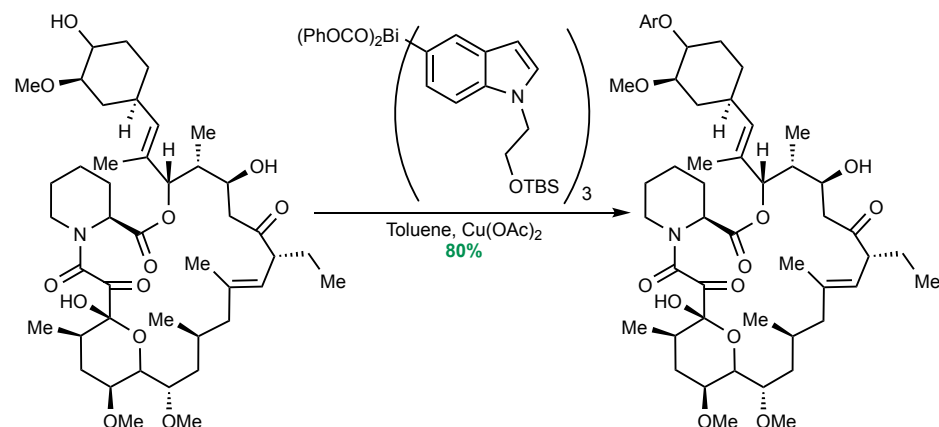
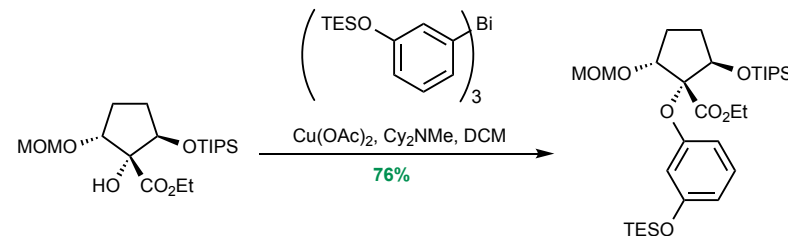
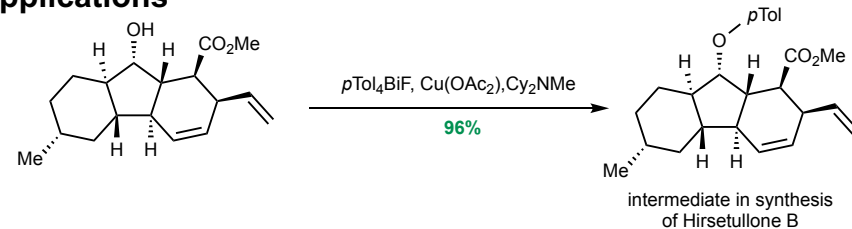
Most proposed mechanisms invoke formation of a Cu<sup>III</sup> species followed by reductive elimination to form the carbon-heteroatom bond

Specifics of Bi<sup>III</sup> to Bi<sup>V</sup> oxidation and transmetalation are unknown

## Pros and Cons:

- + High yielding arylations of hindered nucleophiles
- + Mild conditions and high functional group tolerance
- 3-4 equivalents of arene often required for reactions
- Only simple arenes can be transferred
  - Bi reagents generally made by Grignard addition to BiX<sub>3</sub>
- Mechanism not well understood
  - Explained by analogy to Chan-Lam coupling

## Applications<sup>8-10</sup>



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