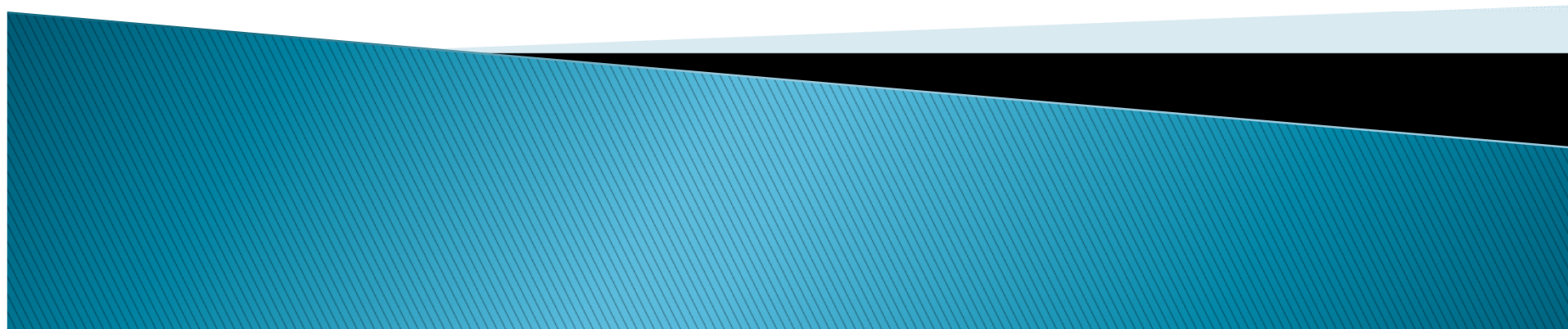


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Aerobic oxidation in nanomicelles of aryl alkynes, in water at room temperature

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Standards of green chemistry



Minimize organic waste



Use cheap and non-toxic/polluting reagents



No harsh conditions

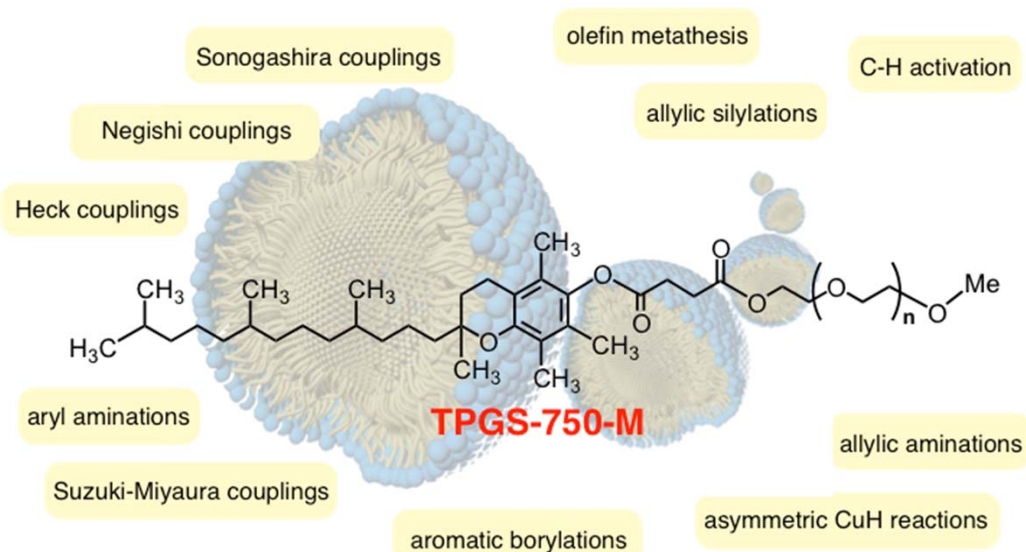
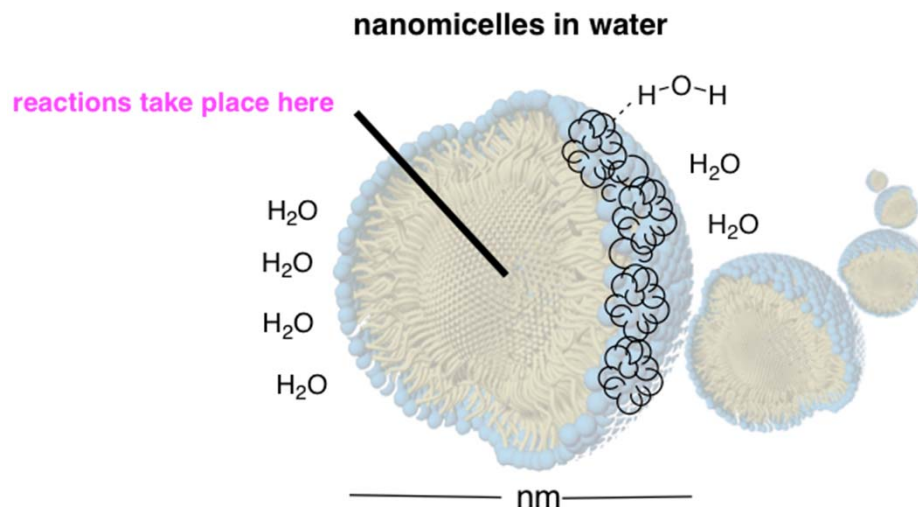


Often not compatible with organometallic chemistry

Previous works from Lipshutz group

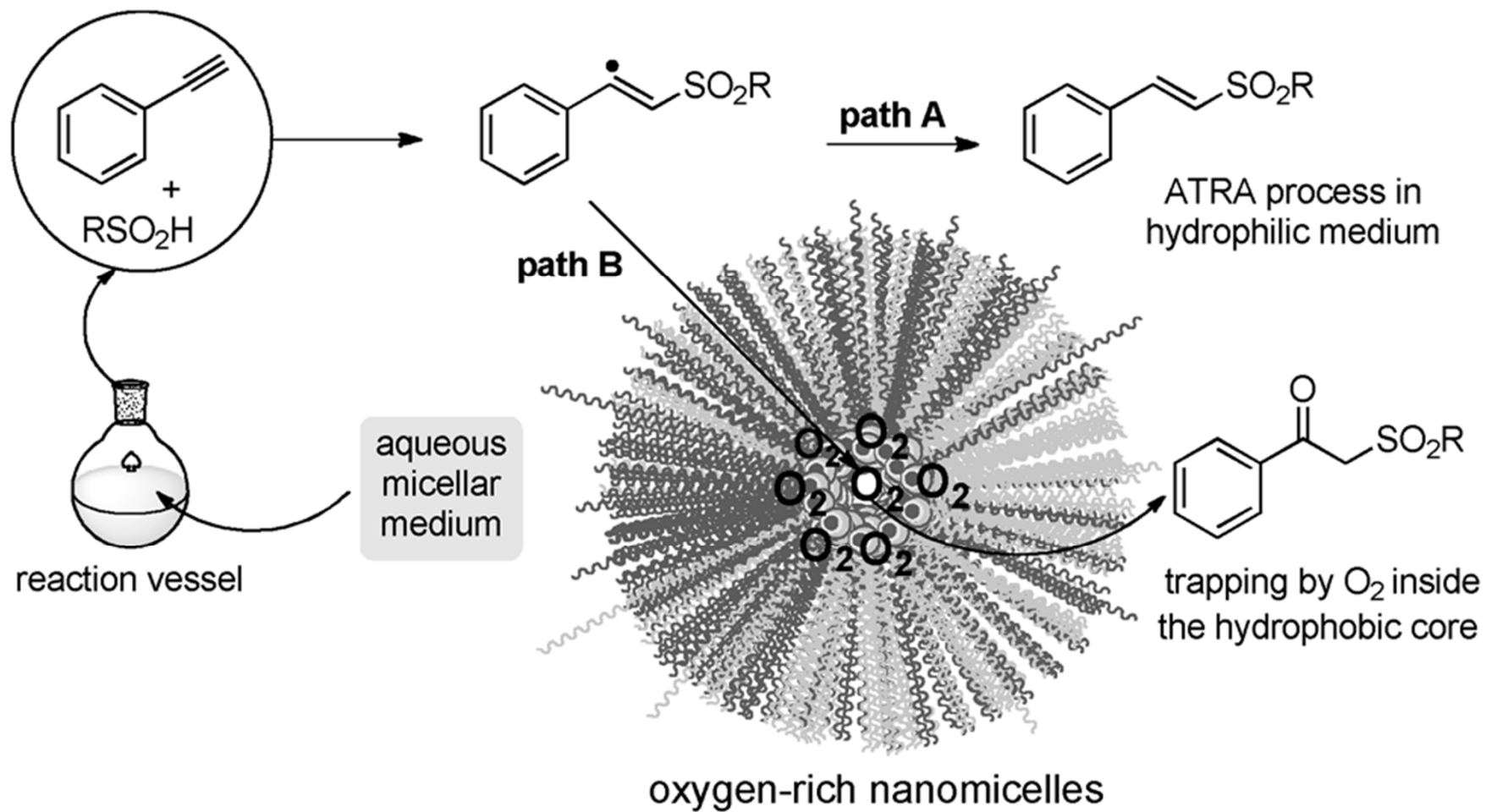


Development of organometallic chemistry in water

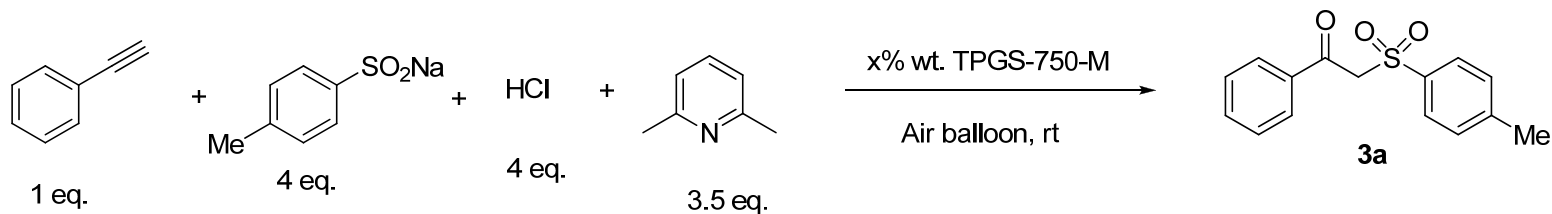


A step towards sustainability

Overview



Optimization of the reaction



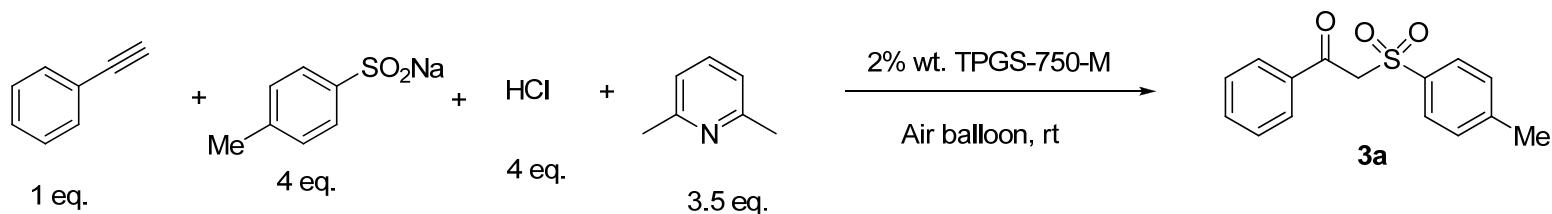
2e. Effect of surfactant conc. in water

Entry	% (w/w) of TPGS-750M	Time (h)	% yield 3
1	0.5	25	10
2	1.0	25	12
3	2.0	6.5	84
4	3.0	6*	50
5	4.0	6*	30

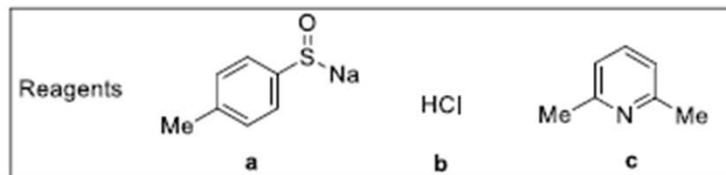
*extending a reaction time up to 24 h didn't improve the yields.

Other reaction conditions are: 1 mmol, 0.3 M phenylacetylene in TPGS-750M solution in water, 4.0 mmol sodium *p*-toluenesulfonate, 4.0 mmol HCl, and 3.5 mmol 2,6-lutidine (except phenylacetylene, all reagents were added in two portions in 80 min interval), RT, air balloon.

Optimization of the reaction



2i. Effect of a portion-wise addition of reagents on yield



Conditions: Mixing, and then stirring a and b in TPGS-750M for 3-4 minutes followed by addition of c

Entry	a (mmol.)	b (mmol.)	c (mmol.)	% yield 14
1	4.0	4.0	3.5	40
*2	2.0	2.0	1.75	84
#3	1.0	1.0	0.9	70

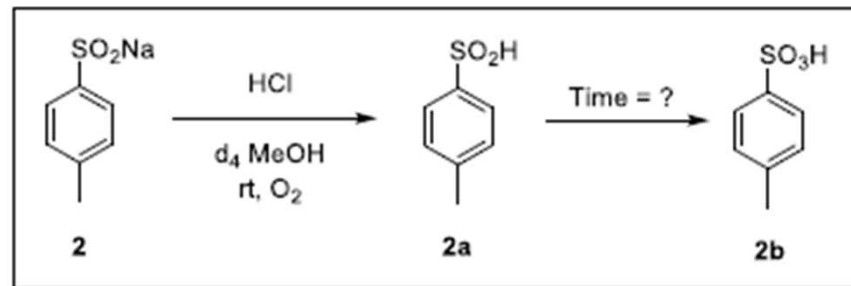
*after 80 minutes of first addition, same amounts of reagents were sequentially added.

a, b, and c were added four times after each 80 minutes intervals.

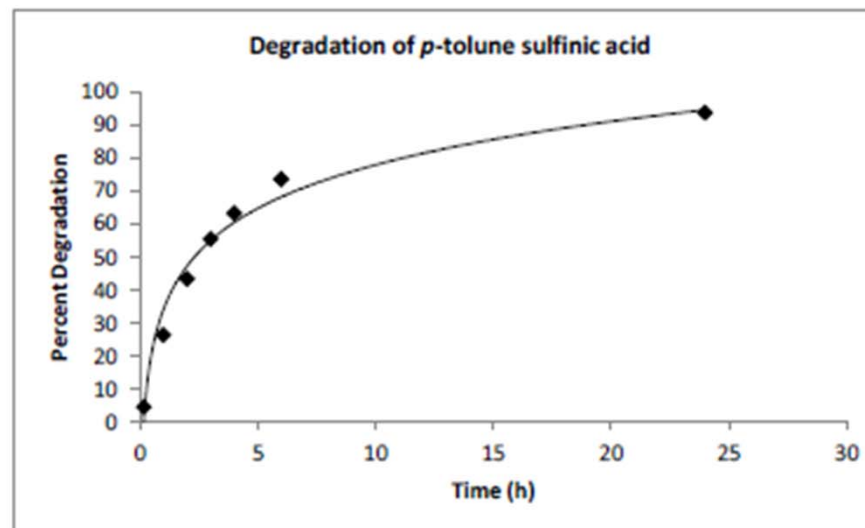
Other reaction conditions: 1 mmol, 0.3M phenylacetylene in 2% surfactant, 4.0 mmol sodium p-toluenesulfonate, 4.0 mmol HCl, 3.5 mmol 2,6-lutidine (all these reagents were added in two portions in 80 min interval), RT, air balloon, 6 h.

Optimization of the reaction

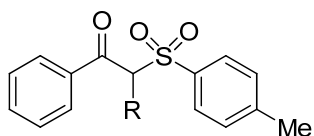
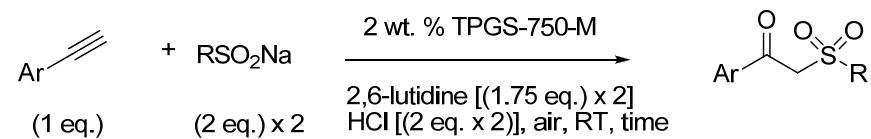
2j. Aerobic autoxidation of *p*-toluene sulfinic acid (2)



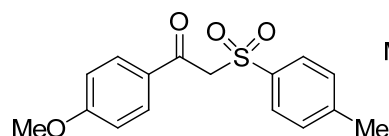
Conditions: Sulfinic acid (20 mg, 1 equiv.), HCl (9 μ L, 1 equiv.), d_4 -MeOH, O_2 balloon, rt. Reaction performed in NMR tube.



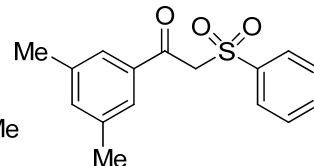
Scope of the reaction



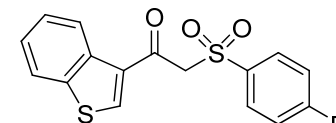
3a, R = H, 82%, 6 h
3b, R = Me, 78%, 9 h
3c, R = Et, 69%, 10 h



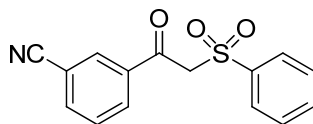
4, 71%, 7 h



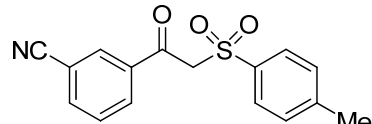
5, 78%, 6.5 h



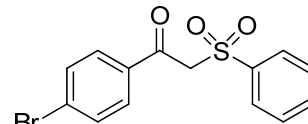
6a, R = H, 76%, 6.5 h
6b, R = Me, 78%, 6.0 h



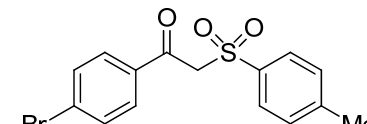
7, 69%, 9 h



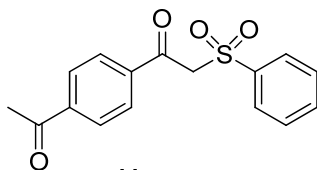
8, 71%, 8.5 h



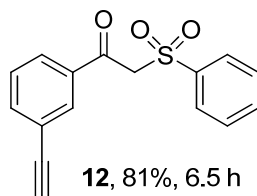
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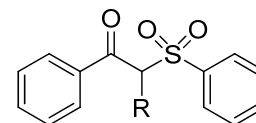
10, 75%, 8.5 h



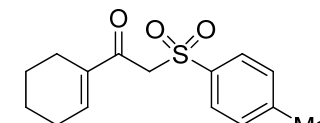
11, 79%, 8.5 h



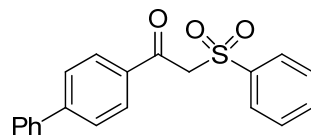
12, 81%, 6.5 h



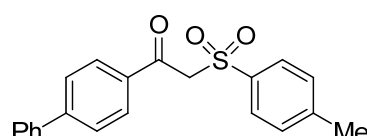
13a, R = H, 84%, 6 h
13b, R = Me, 76%, 10 h



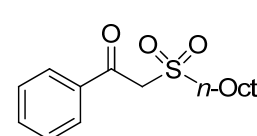
14, 62%, 7.5 h



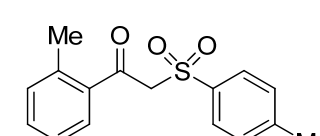
15, 71%, 8.5 h



16, 69%, 6.0 h

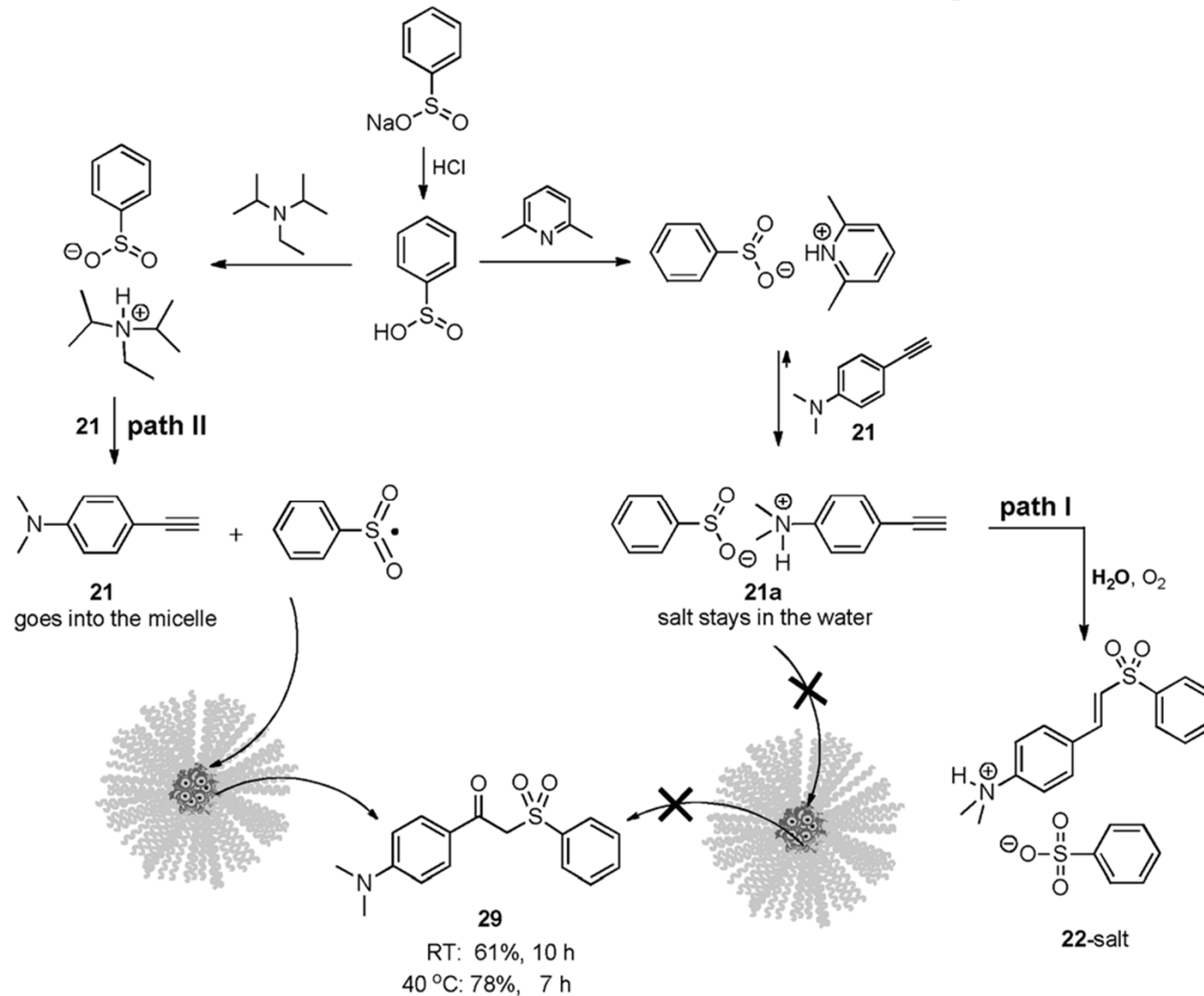


17, 77%, 8.0 h

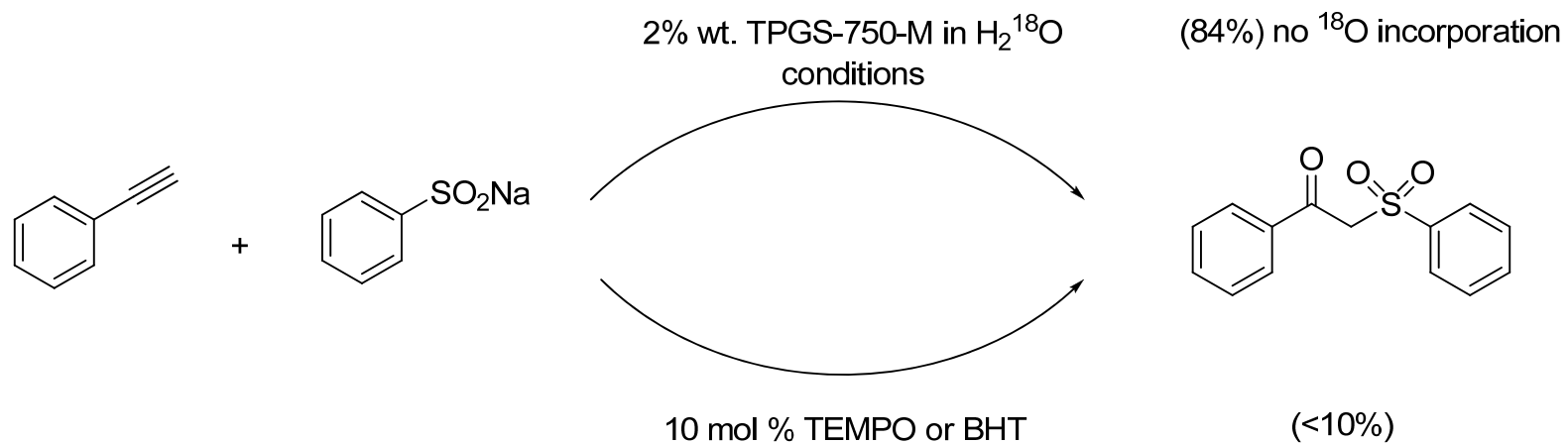


18, 76%, 8 h

Determination of reaction pathway



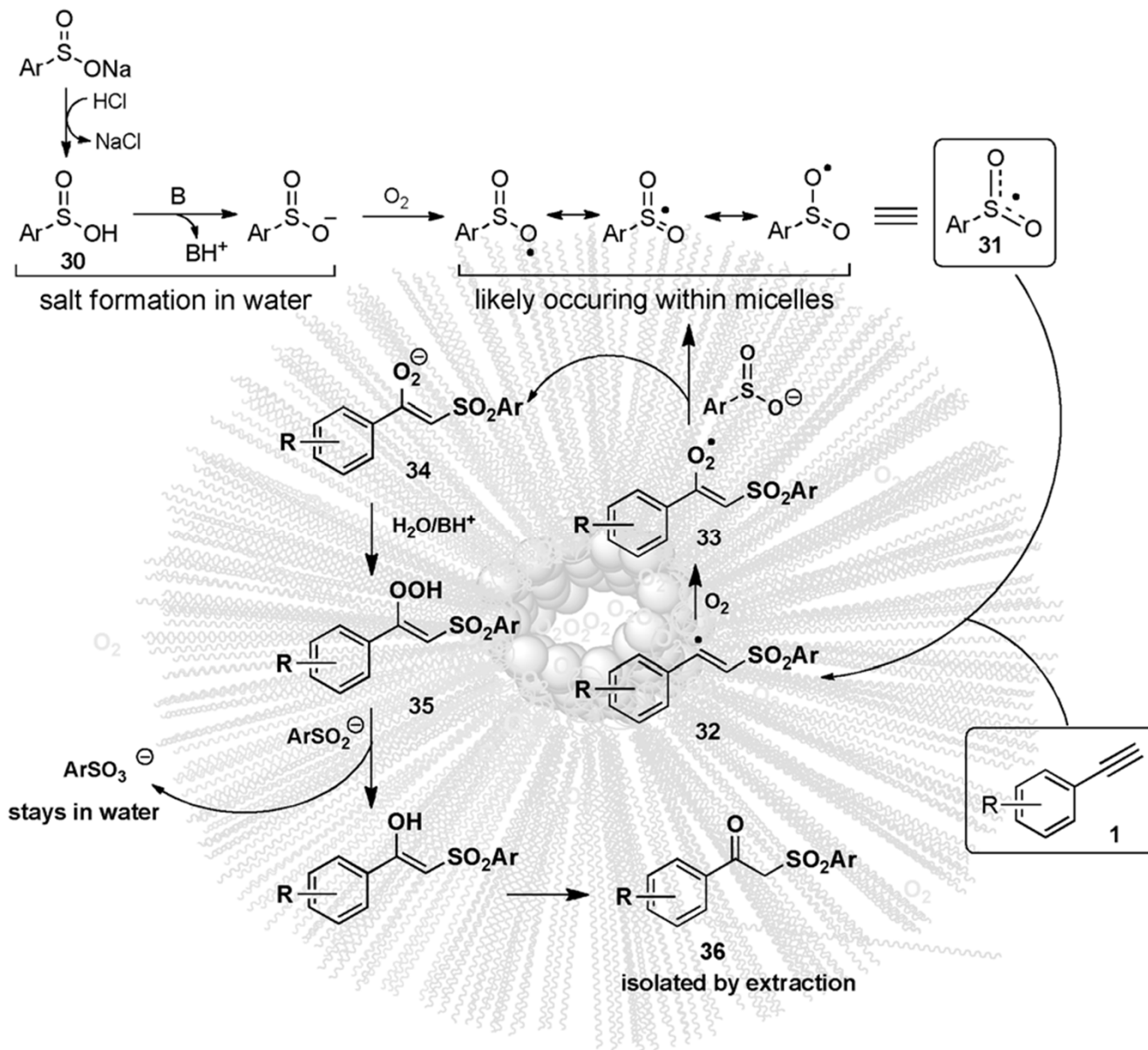
Additional experiments



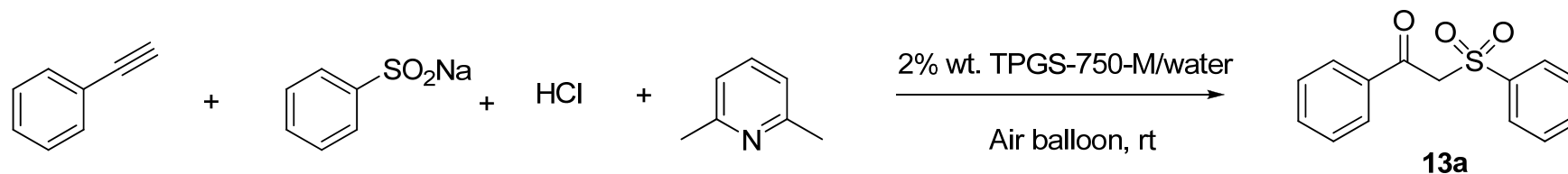
➡ The O atom comes from O_2

➡ Radical pathway is involved

Postulated mechanism



Environmental friendliness

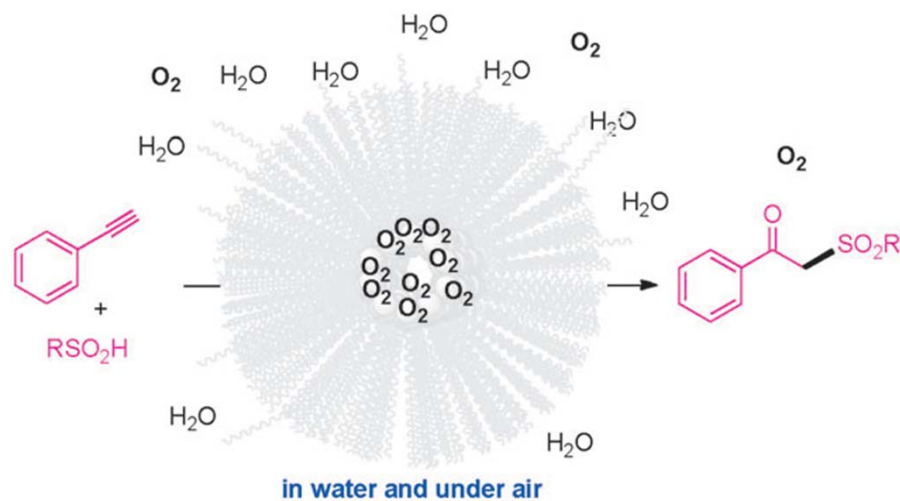


Recycling of the reaction medium

Run	Yield of 13a (%)
1 st	78
2 nd	70
3 rd	53

$$\text{E factor} = \frac{\text{mass of organic waste}}{\text{mass of product}} = 5.3$$

Conclusion



« green » process



Scope not so broad



Some mechanistic points remain unclear