

Mechanistic Oriented Synthesis of Unsymmetrical Biphenols

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An iron-catalyzed oxidative unsymmetrical biphenol coupling in 1,1,1,3,3-hexafluoropropan-2-ol that proceeds via a chelated radical-anion coupling mechanism was developed. Based on mechanistic studies, electrochemical methods, and density functional theory calculations, we suggest a general model that enables prediction of the feasibility of cross-coupling for a given pair of phenols.

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