Photocatalytic Sonogashira Coupling on Polymeric Pyrazine–CuO Nanoparticles

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Selected results:

Significance: CuO nanoparticles stabilized on a polymeric amine (poly1–CuO NPs) were prepared by treatment of CuCl₂ with the benzopyrazine-derived amine **1** in water under air. Poly1–CuO NPs promoted the photocatalytic Sonogashira coupling of aryl halides **2** with ethynylbenzene (**3**) under visible-light irradiation to give the corresponding products **4** in ≤89% yield.

Comment: Poly1–CuO NPs were characterized by means of FT-IR and UV-vis, and fluorescence spectroscopy and XRD, SEM, and TEM analyses. The reaction of iodobenzene with **3** in darkness gave **4a** in 30% yield. In the absence of poly1, CuO nanoparticles catalyzed the reaction to give **4a** in 48% yield in 12 hours. Poly1–CuO NPs were reused five times without significant loss of their catalytic activity.

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