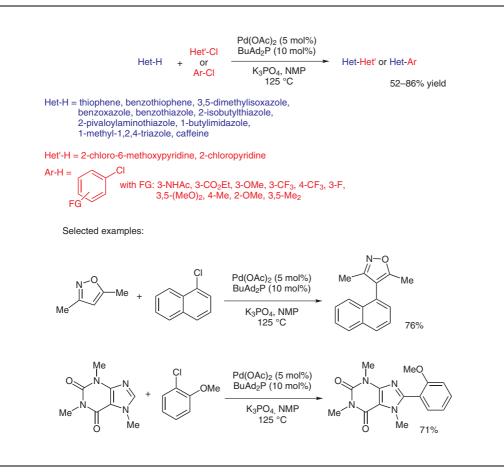
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Significance: A new cheap and general method for the cross-coupling of heterocycles is presented in this article. A wide range of heterocycles was subjected to Pd-catalyzed C–H activation with subsequent cross-coupling to aryl and heteroaryl chlorides. This method was shown to be applicable to both electron-rich and electron-poor aryl chlorides furnishing good yields in almost all cases. **Comment:** This new C–H activation–cross-coupling sequence has a very high practical value for the syntheses of biologically active compounds. A number of heterocycles are shown to be directly functionalizable by C–H activation. The possibility of their cross-coupling with the readily available aryl chlorides which are cheaper than their bromide or iodide equivalents is of considerable economic interest.

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