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Introduction

Transition metal-catalyzed C-H functionalization has been used as a key strategy for the synthesis of heterocycles. Among the transition metal catalysts being used, rhodium(III) catalyst is one of the type that has been widely employed. In a number of study concerning Nheterocycle construction, only limited study reported coupling of phenyl oxazoline with internal alkynes and the potential application of the product oxazolinium has not yet reported. Here we present the synthesis of a scope of oxazoliniums via rhodium(III)-catalyzed C-H functionalization, and the oxazoliniums were subjected to peptide modification. LC-MS/MS analysis confirmed that the modification occur exclusively at the cysteine residue.



Model Reaction for Peptide Modification





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