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Abbreviations and Symbols

%	Percentage
δ	Chemical shift
J	Coupling constant
λ	Wavelength
ν	Wavenumber
$^{\circ}$	Degree
θ	Diffraction angle
Φ	Work function
\AA	Angstrom
Ac	Acetyl
AgTFA	Silver trifluoroacetate
Anal.	Analytical
Ar	Aryl
a.u.	Arbitrary unit
BET	Brunauer-Emmett-Teller
BJH	Barrett-Joyner-Halenda
Bn	Benzyl
Boc	<i>tert</i> -Butyloxycarbonyl group
br	Broad
$^{\circ}\text{C}$	Degree Celsius
CAE	Constant analyzer energy
CCDC	Cambridge Crystallographic Data Centre
CDCl_3	Deuterated chloroform
cm	centimeter
COD	Cyclooctadiene
CSA	Camphorsulfonic acid
d	Doublet
DBU	1,8-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene
D_{cal}	Calculated density
DCE	1,2-Dichlorethane
DCM	Dichloromethane

dd	Doublet of doublet
DG	Directing group
DMA	Dimethylacetamide
DMF	<i>N,N</i> -dimethylformamide
DMSO	Dimethylsulfoxide
DMSO- <i>d</i> ₆	Deuterated dimethylsulfoxide
dppm	1,1'-Bis(diphenylphosphino)methane
dppf	1,1'-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene
dq	Doublet of quartets
dt	Doublet of triplets
DTBM	3,5-Di- <i>tert</i> -butyl-4-methoxyphenyl
EDG	Electron donating group
EDX	Energy dispersive X-ray
equiv	Equivalent
ESI/Q-TOF	Electrospray-ionization quadrupole time-of-flight
Et	Ethyl
EtOH	Ethanol
eV	Electron volt
EWG	Electron withdrawing group
fcc	Face-centred cubic unit cell
FT-IR	Fourier-transformed infra-red spectroscopy
g	Gram
h	Hour
HOMO	Highest occupied molecular orbital
HRMS	High resolution mass spectrometry
HRTEM	High resolution transmission electron microscope
ICP-OES	Inductively coupled plasma optical emission spectrometry
<i>i</i> -PrOH	Isopropanol
JCPDS	Joint Committee on Powder Diffraction Standards
K	Kelvin
kV	Kilovolt
LCpp	Lignocellulose derived from pomegranate peel

LiHMDS	Lithium hexamethyldisilazide
LSPR	Localized surface plasmon resonance
LUMO	Lowest unoccupied molecular orbital
m	Multiplet
m ²	Square meter
Me	Methyl
MeOH	Methanol
mg	Milligram
MHz	Megahertz
min	Minute
mL	Millilitre
mM	Millimolar
mmol	Millimole
mol%	Mole percentage
mp	Melting point
MS	Molecular sieves
<i>m/z</i>	Atomic mass units per charge
<i>n</i> -Bu	Normal-butyl
NC	Nanoclusters
nd	Not detected
nm	Nanometre
NMR	Nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy
NP	Nanoparticle
nr	No reaction
Nu	Nucleophile
ORTEP	Oak Ridge Thermal Ellipsoid Plot
P ₀	Saturated pressure of adsorbate gas (in Pascals)
PEG	Polyethylene glycol
PEPPSI	Pyridine-enhanced precatalyst preparation stabilization and initiation
Ph	Phenyl
PMFC	Pomegranate-peel derived micro-fibers of cellulose
ppm	Parts per million

PTSA	<i>Para</i> -toluenesulfonic acid
PXRD	Powder X-ray diffraction analysis
q	Quartet
rpm	Revolutions per minute
rt	Room temperature
s	Singlet
SAED	Selected area electron diffraction
SEGPPOS	5,5'-Bis(diphenylphosphino)-4,4'-bi-1,3-benzodioxole
SEM	Scanning electron microscope
SMCR	Suzuki-Miyaura cross-coupling reaction
SPhos	Dicyclohexyl(2',6'-dimethoxy[1,1'-biphenyl]-2-yl)phosphane
t	Triplet
T	Temperature
TBHP	<i>tert</i> -Butyl hydroperoxide
<i>t</i> -Bu	<i>tert</i> -Butyl
<i>t</i> -BuOH	<i>tert</i> -Butanol
td	Triplet of doublets
TEM	Transmission electron microscope
Tf	Triflate
TGA	Thermogravimetric analysis
THF	Tetrahydrofuran
TLC	Thin layer chromatography
TMS	Tetramethylsilane
TPPMS	Monosulfonated triphenylphosphane
UV-Vis	Ultraviolet-visible
v/v	Volume/volume
W	Watt
wt%	Weight percentage
XPS	X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy
Z	Number of atoms present per unit cell