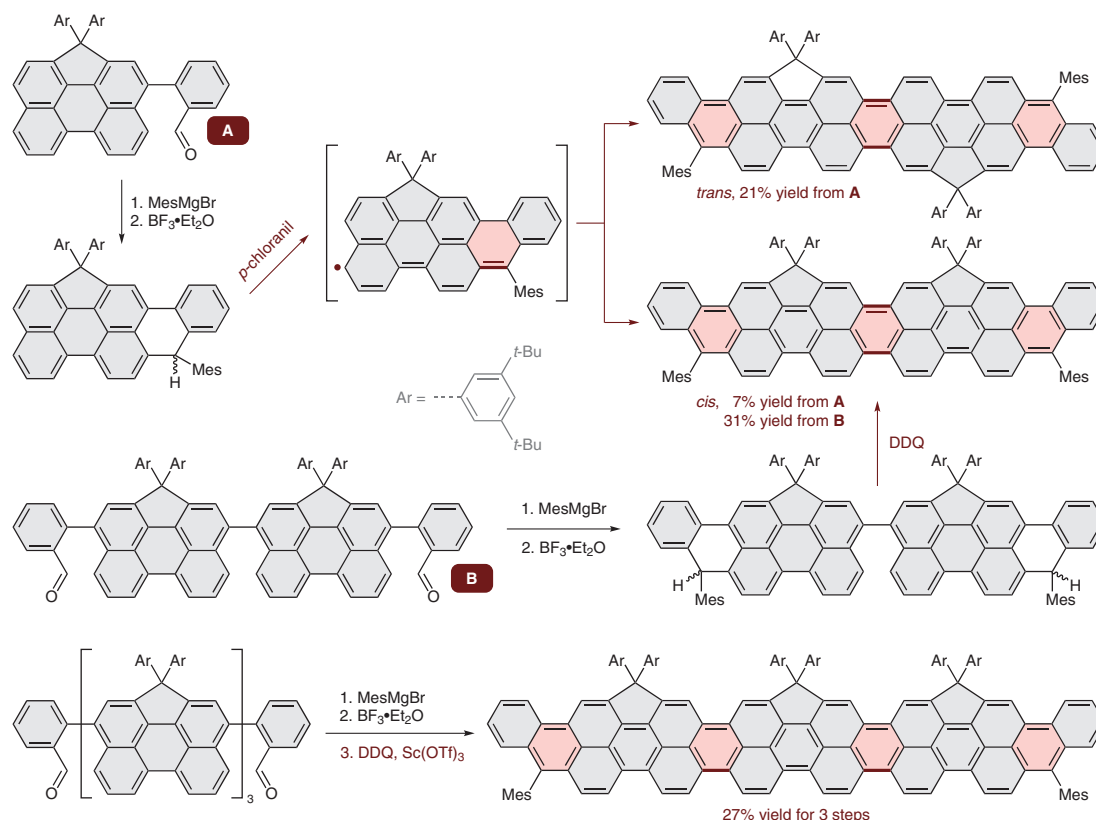


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Significance: The precise syntheses of graphene nanoribbons (GNRs) warrant more concise and efficient strategies. In this report, radical coupling is demonstrated to be an effective approach to stitching C–C bonds between aromatic fragments and extending the GNR frameworks.

Comment: Both intra- and intermolecular C–C coupling of in situ generated radicals are shown viable with the developed method for accomplishing aromatic annulation, while the intermolecular reaction may give rise to regioisomers due to π -conjugated spin delocalization.

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