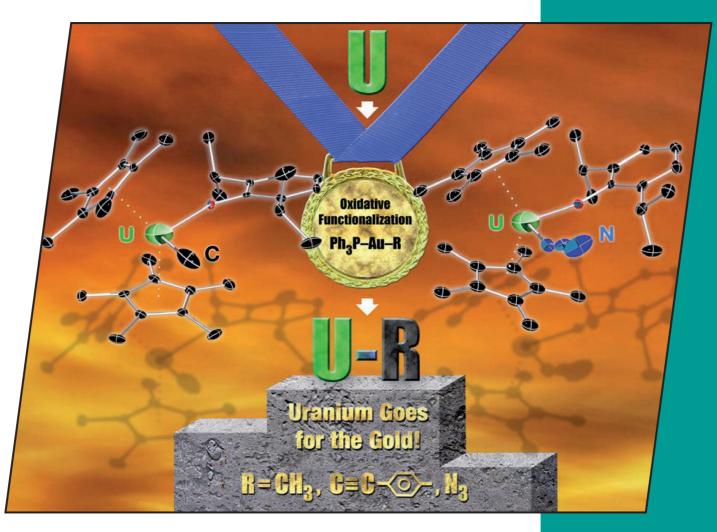


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The cover picture shows a novel and safe gold-based oxidative functionalization protocol that allows access to an assortment of uranium complexes bearing azide and carbon functional groups. Alkyl, alkynyl, and azide complexes are accessed in a single step from commercially available or easily prepared gold complexes. This methodology works for $U^{III} \rightarrow U^{IV}$ and $U^{IV} \rightarrow U^{V}$ oxidations. A new, high-yielding synthetic preparation of (Ph₃P)AuN₃ is also presented. These reactions proceed rapidly in high yields and represent a new class of reactions for gold. This work demonstrates that gold chemistry is not just unique for organic transformations but holds great promise for similarly advancing organometallic chemistry. Details are discussed in the Short Communication by J. L. Kiplinger et al. on p. 1451ff. We thank Mr. Jim Cruz for designing the cover picture.

