

The isolation of a neutral borole radical ...

... is described for the first time by H. Braunschweig et al. in their Communication on page 5453 ff. What appears at first to be boron-centered nucleophilicity was shown to be single-electron-transfer (SET; i.e. radical) reactivity when a neutral borole radical is isolated both as a final product and as an intermediate in the reaction of borole anions with triorganyl halides of tin and lead.

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