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***Unusual Metallate Shifts based on  
Tetracoordinate Boron Species***



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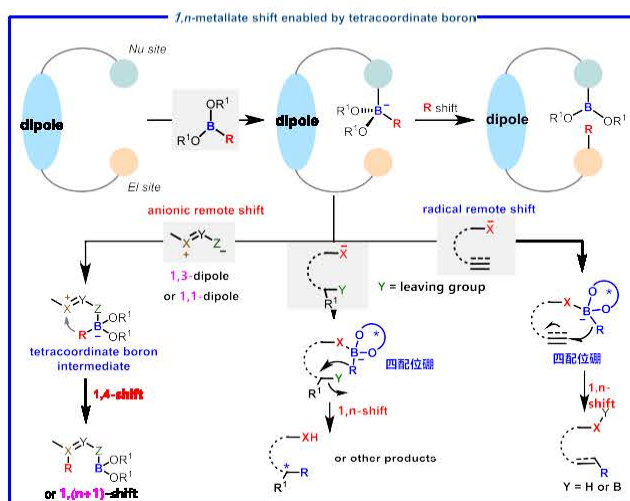
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# Abstract

Since 1950's, great progress has been achieved on the synthesis, functional transformations and applications of organoboron compounds. As one of very importance synthetic synthons in chemical science, organoboron compounds have been widely used in the synthesis of natural products, drug candidates as well as in materials sciences and catalytic chemistry.<sup>1</sup> Among them, tetracoordinate boron species are the unique organoborons and serve as key intermediates in boron-involved transformations. Despite their importance and well-studied 1,2-metallate shift, there are still some challenges and hurdles to overcome. Focusing on the development of unusual metallate shifts via tetracoordinate boron species, in the past five years, we have disclosed several very interesting and efficient metallate shifts, such as long distance 1,4-metallate shift, consecutive 1,2- and 1,3-metallate shift as well as radical-enabled long distance 1,4-, 1,5- and 1,6-metallate shift, which greatly enhance and broaden the application of tetracoordinate boron species in synthetic community.<sup>2</sup>



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