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Showcasing research from the Ingleson Group at the School of Chemistry, University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom.

Borylation directed borylation of *N*-alkyl anilines using iodine activated pyrazaboles

A doubly electrophilic pyrazabole derivative (pyrazabole = $[H_2B(\mu-C_3N_2H_3)]_2$), activated with I_2 , was found to effect the ortho-borylation of *N*-alkyl-anilines in the presence of Et₃N. This methodology represents a metal free transiently directed C-H borylation approach to form *N*-alkyl-2-BPinaniline derivatives. In addition, this work includes mechanistic studies of doubly electrophilic pyrazabole systems that led us to use the aforementioned.



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