New Patented Processes of NaBH₄ Production by MERIT Ltd.

(I) Mechano-chemical method with alkaline earth metal hydride

$$NaBO_2 + 2MgH_2 \rightarrow NaBH_4 + 2MgO$$
 $\triangle G^0_{(298K)} = -270 \text{ [kJ/mol-NaBH}_4]$

- ➤ Conversion of collision energy to chemical energy
- >Ambient condition, short time, high borohydride yield
- ➤ Metal hydride as protide supplier and oxygen acceptor
- ➤ Low energy efficiency (less than 1%)
- ➤ Metal hydrogenation process (>400 °C,>1MPa) required

