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MONO- AND DIHYDRYL-PENTAFLUOROSULFUR-F-ALKANES [1]

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SUMMARY

The systematic preparation of partially fluorinated pentafluorosulfur alkanes containing no additional halogens is reported. Thus, the indirect addition of "HF" (via KF/formamide) to SF₅CH=CF₂, SF₅CF=CF₂, and SF₅C(CF₃)=CF₂ produces SF₅CH₂CF₃, SF₅CHFCF₃, and SF₅C(CF₃)₂H respectively. The monohydryl-pentafluorosulfur-F-alkanes react readily with $S_2O_6F_2$ to form the corresponding fluorosulfates by oxidative displacement of hydrogen, while the dihydryl derivative undergoes cleavage to produce F-acetyl fluoride. Efforts to convert some of the new materials to the important but unknown pentafluorosulfur "ketone," $SF_5C(O)CF_3$, were unsuccessful.

INTRODUCTION

The preparation of organic derivatives containing the penta-fluorosulfur group has recently become a matter of interest in this Laboratory and elsewhere. Most of the recently prepared SF_5 -containing compounds result from the addition of SF_5Cl or SF_5Br [2,3] to unsaturated compounds, although some attempts have been made to incorporate the SF_5 moiety into molecules with other functional groups [4,5,6a,6b] or, conversely, to incorporate functional groups in SF_5 -containing molecules [3,7-11]. The formation of SF_5 -derivatives by addition of SF_5Cl and SF_5Br to unsaturated compounds necessarily results in concomitant production of a weak C-Cl or C-Br bond; although such materials are useful in preparing SF_5 -

containing olefins through dehydrohalogenation, little work has been directed to converting the relatively weak carbon-halogen linkages to stronger C-F bonds. The systematic evaluation of the SF₅ group as a stabilizing function in fluorocarbons has therefore been limited by the presence of inherently weak C-Cl or C-Br bonds in available compounds. We have developed a general synthesis of mono- and dihydryl-pentafluorosulfur-F-alkanes to circumvent this problem, while maintaining a reactive proton site for further derivatization. Previously, only two examples of this class of compounds, SF₅CH₂F [12] and SF₅CF₂H [13] had been reported, and these were obtained only as minor by-products of fluorination reactions and not thoroughly characterized.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The formation of the various hydryl-pentafluorosulfur- \underline{F} -alkanes involves a sequence of three reasonably high yield reactions. In the first step, the SF₅ group is incorporated by the addition of SF₅Cl to a fluoroolefin:

$$HCX = CF_2 + SF_5C1 \rightarrow SF_5CH(X)CF_3C1$$
 (1)
 $X = H, F, CF_3$

The previously reported addition of SF_5Cl to $HCF=CF_2$ [14,15,16] and the unreported addition to $CH_2=CF_2$ were accomplished at 120° using an azo initiator. However, attempts to thermally add SF_5Cl to $CF_3CH=CF_2$ using azo or peroxide initiators were unsuccessful, a result which parallels previous failures to add SF_5Cl to F_7 -propene [14]. The addition of SF_5Cl to $CF_3CH=CF_2$ was therefore completed by photolysis, although this method resulted in much lower yields (30%) than the thermal reactions (>85%) used in the other cases. (The lower photochemical yields presumably resulted from secondary photodecomposition of the SF_5 group and photochlorination of the olefin; the thermal reactions, on the other hand, were essentially unidirectional, with only minimal formation of less volatile telomer products.)

The chlorofluoroalkanes were readily dehydrochlorinated with KOH to the corresponding pentafluorosulfur olefins (2) and the latter were subjected to indirect "HF" addition:

$$SF_5CH(X)CF_2C1 + KOH \rightarrow SF_5CX = CF_2$$
 (2)

$$SF_5CX=CF_2 + "HF" \rightarrow SF_5CH(X)CF_3$$

$$X = H, F, CF_3$$
(3)

The previously reported olefin $SF_5CF=CF_2$ [14] was isolated in >85% yield, and the new olefins $SF_5CH=CF_2$ and $SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2$ were isolated in 60-65% yields. The use of a solvent was not necessary with small-scale reactions and short contact times. We occasionally observed erratic reaction behavior which resulted in reduced yields or total degradation of the chlorofluoroalkane. The condition of the KOH appears most responsible for this inconsistency; bottles of KOH which were previously opened and left on the reagent shelf gave the least consistent results, while fresh bottles afforded smooth, high-yield reactions.

Reaction (3), if done by the direct addition of HF [17], usually requires high temperatures and catalysts, but Miller and coworkers [18] have developed an indirect but facile method involving nucleophilic addition of the elements of "HF" to fluoro-olefins using a mixture of readily available KF and formamide; use of this method provided a rapid (<1 hr), high-yield (>80%) synthesis of the title compounds. The HF addition was found to be unidirectional and without evidence of SF5 cleavage.

The mono- and dihydryl-pentafluorosulfur- \underline{F} -alkanes are colorless liquids which boil above room temperature; vapor pressure data for these and the new chlorofluoroalkanes and SF_5 -olefins are found in Table I. Trouton constants for these derivatives do not indicate any significant intermolecular association, and the compounds also demonstrated reasonable thermal stability, being recovered unchanged after three days at 170° in Pyrex glass.

The synthesis of $SF_5CH=CF_2$ seemed to present an opportunity to prepare bis(pentafluorosulfur) alkanes and alkenes by further SF_5X addition. Unfortunately, the SF_5 group apparently deactivated the double bond sufficiently to prevent addition of either SF_5C1

TABLE I
Vapor pressure data

	$Log P(mm) = a - \frac{b}{T}$		Bp $\Delta H_{ extsf{vap}}$		$\Delta S_{ extbf{vap}}$	
	a	b	(°C)	(kcal/mole)		
SF ₅ CH ₂ CF ₂ Cl	7.88	1719.9	70.9	7.87	22.9	
SF ₅ CH(CF ₃)CF ₂ C1	7.51	1628.5	78.8	7.45	21.2	
SF ₅ CH=CF ₂	7.69	1447.6	28.1	6.62	22.0	
$SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2$	7.76	1561.5	47.0	7.17	22.3	
SF ₅ CH ₂ CF ₃	7.77	1530.8	40.0	7.00	22.4	
SF ₅ CHFCF ₃	7.76	1463.0	26.9	6.70	22.3	
$SF_5C(CF_3)_2H$	7.71	1571.5	52.2	7.19	22.1	
SF ₅ CF(CF ₃)OSO ₂ F	7.98	1819.0	83.4	8.32	23.4	
SF ₅ C(CF ₃) ₂ OSO ₂ F	8.02	1942.5	105.1	8.89	23.5	

or SF_5Br , using the azo compound or benzoyl peroxide as initiators. Although the photolysis of SF_5Cl with $SF_5CH=CF_2$ (300 nm) did afford a very low yield (<1%) of a material which, by infrared and mass spectral analysis, may have been the bis(pentafluorosulfur) compound $ClC_2HF_2(SF_5)_2$, we were unable to isolate a sufficient amount of the derivative for further characterization.

The presence of the hydrogens in the pentafluorosulfur-F-alkanes offered the opportunity to introduce additional functional groups, particularly in view of recent work by Merrill [19] and Kirchneier and Shreeve [20] which demonstrated that $S_2O_6F_2$ participates in facile hydrogen abstraction reactions to produce fluorosulfates (i.e., RH + $S_2O_6F_2 \rightarrow RSO_3F + HSO_3F$). We found the hydryl-pentafluorosulfur-F-alkanes reacted in an analogous manner:

$$SF_5CX(H)CF_3 + S_2O_6F_2 \rightarrow SF_5CX(OSO_2F)CF_3 + HOSO_3F$$

$$X = F, CF_3$$
(5)

The yields for these mono-fluorosulfates were $\sim 70\%$, but we were unable to isolate the bis(fluorosulfate) derivative from SF₅CH₂CF₃; mixtures of S₂O₆F₂ and SF₅CH₂CF₃ gave no evidence of reaction at

room temperature, though slow decomposition at 50° and consumption of the reactants after 4 hr at 90° yielded $CF_3C(0)F$, O_2 , $S_2O_5F_2$ and SF_4 as volatile products.

The fluorosulfates are colorless liquids at room temperature (Table I) and demonstrated both thermal and photolytic stability. No evidence of decomposition was observed after heating the fluorosulfates in Pyrex at 170° for 3 days, and attempts to photolytically decompose $SF_5C(CF_3)_2OSO_2F$ in quartz vessels using 254, 300 or 354 nm lamps for 24-hr periods were also unsuccessful.

The fluorosulfates were expected to be useful as precursors of the important new compound $SF_5C(0)CF_3$, since Lustig and Ruff [21] have demonstrated that fluorocarbon fluorosulfates are readily converted to carbonyl compounds by elimination of SO_2F_2 upon treatment with alkali metal fluorides. Unfortunately, however, the reaction of $SF_5CF(OSO_2F)CF_3$ with KF or CsF resulted in cleavage of the SF_5 -group and did not produce the desired ketone:

$$SF_5CF(OSO_2F)CF_3 \xrightarrow{X} SF_5C(O)CF_3 + SO_2F_2$$

$$CF_3C(O)F + SF_4 + SO_2F_2$$
(6)

Although $SF_5C(0)CF_3$ has been proposed by Russian workers [6a] as an intermediate which decomposes to $CF_3C(0)F$ and SF_4 , no direct evidence for its existence was demonstrated. The presence of metal fluorides, in both the Russian work and in our study, and their possible attack on the ketone would account for the formation of the observed products. A second consideration in our system is that the cleavage of the weaker C-S bond, rather than the C-F bond, may have occurred during the formation of the carbonyl function. This reaction mode would also give the observed products from decomposition of the SF_5 ion to SF_4 and F.

Similar results were obtained in attempting to prepare an alkoxide salt from $SF_5C(CF_3)_2OSO_2F$. We observed a slight reaction with KF after 2 hr at 45° and extensive formation of $(CF_3)_2CO$, SF_4 , and SO_2F_2 at 65°. The use of CsF to stabilize the alkoxide ion also proved unsuccessful; the fluorosulfate was recovered when treated with CsF at -80 and -23° but decomposed as before at 0°. Volatile components were removed and the solid

TABLE II

Infrared Spectra* (cm⁻¹)

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3056(vw), 3007(vw), 1420(mw), 1330(m), 1277(sh),
SF5CH2CF2C1
                    1267(m), 1229(ms), 1200(m), 1126(s), 1107(shm,),
                    1052(ms), 976(vs), 917(sh,ms), 895(vs), 876(vs),
                    857(vs), 808(ms), 751(m), 710(mw), 670(w), 614(ms)
                    573 (mw)
                    3006(vvw), 2984(vvw), 1334(m), 1292(m), 1262(s),
SF<sub>5</sub>CH(CF<sub>3</sub>)CF<sub>2</sub>Cl
                    1221(s), 1170(ms), 1149(ms), 1114(m), 1048(m),
                    982(m), 925(m), 911(sh,w), 890(vs), 873(sh,s),
                    855(sh,w), 834(m), 795(m), 779(sh,w), 742(m),
                    718(m), 682(m), 634(vw), 596(m), 562(mw), 524(w)
                    3138(w), 1787(w), 1748(s), 1348(ms), 1208(m),
SF5CH=CF2
                    1008(m), 892(vs), 782(ms), 680(m), 605(m), 564(w)
                    1722(s), 1361(vs), 1279(ms), 1201(ms), 1174(s),
SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2
                    1088(m), 1008(m), 897(vs), 845(vs), 738(mw),
                    692(mw), 612(m), 576(w)
                    3005(vw), 1377(m), 1293(s), 1221(s), 1167(s),
SF5CHFCF3
                    937(s), 887(vs), 857(sh,s), 768(s), 710(m), 678(ms)
                    605(m), 563(w), 517(w)
                    3047 (vvw), 3005 (vvw), 1424 (mw), 1353 (ms), 1300 (ms)
SF<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>
                    1272(ms), 1150(s), 918(s), 881(s), 860(s), 740(m),
                    686 (mw), 656 (m), 605 (m), 562 (mw), 529 (sh, vw),
                    513(w)
                    3008(vw), 1345(s), 1311(s), 1288(vs), 1254(s), 1238
SF<sub>5</sub>C(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>H
                    1185(vs), 1170(sh), 1148(w), 1112(m), 934(m),
                    893(vs), 857(vw), 795(vs), 740(m), 706(m), 694(m)
                    616(m), 581(w), 549(vw), 533(vw)
SF5CF(OSO2F)CF3
                    1502(s), 1313(m), 1263(vs), 1234(s), 1185(m),
                    1102(m), 989(w), 905(vs), 864(vs), 847(sh,s),
                    826(sh,ms), 741(m), 705(w), 691(w), 600(sh,m),
                    590(ms), 557(m), 527(m)
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residue heated to decompose any SF_5 -containing adduct, but only $(CF_3)_2CO$ was detected.

Additional attempts were made to synthesize SF₅C(O)CF₃ through oxidation reactions. A sample of SF5CH2CF3 was treated with aqueous acidified permanganate but no reaction was detected. The mixture was heated to 105° for 1-1/2 hr, resulting in decomposition of the permanganate and nearly quantitative recovery of the SF₅CH₂CF₃. A homogeneous system was formed when the SF₅CH₂CF₃ was condensed onto an acetone/permanganate solution [22], but no reaction was detected to 50° where the permanganate decomposed. In contrast, SF₅C(CF₃)=CF₂ underwent immediate reaction in an acetone/permanganate solution on slowly warming to ambient temperature, but analysis of the volatile gases showed quantitative formation of SO₂F₂, indicating cleavage of the SF₅ group rather than the desired oxidation of the olefin linkage. The attempted oxidation of SF₅CH₂CF₃ with t-BuOOH/O₂ (18 hr, 120°) and SF₅C(CF₃)=CF₂ with O₂ (65 atm, 115°) were also unsuccessful and resulted in quantitative recovery of the SF5 derivatives.

The infrared spectra for these derivatives are found in Table II. The characteristically strong bands between 850 and 900 cm⁻¹ are assigned to the SF₅ group stretch, while the moderate band between 590 and 615 cm⁻¹ is attributed to the SF₅ deformation [23]. The other functional groups also exhibit characteristic infrared bands. The fluorosulfates show the typically strong asymmetric FSO₃ stretch at ~1500 cm⁻¹ while the symmetric stretch is buried in the CF₃ region. The olefinic stretch at 1748 cm⁻¹ for SF₅CH=CF₂ correlates well with other -CH=CF₂ derivatives containing the olefinic stretch at ~1755 cm⁻¹ [23]. A comparison of the

^{*} Corrected to calibrated polystyrene film

difference in C=C stretching frequencies between $SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2$ (1722 cm⁻¹) and $CF_3C(CF_3)=CF_2$ (1755 cm⁻¹) [23] correlates reasonably well with the approximate 20 cm⁻¹ difference found in $SF_5CF=CF_2$ [24] and $CF_3CF=CF_2$ [23].

The nmr spectra (Table III) were generally complex, and cases where first-order coupling constants could be determined

TABLE III

NMR chemical shifts*

	CF	CF ₂	CF ₃	SF(ax)	SF ₄ (eq)	X**
SF ₅ CH ₂ CF ₂ Cl		55.7		-77.4	-68.7	4.2
SF ₅ CH(CF ₃)CF ₂ Cl		F _A 45.5 F _B 51.5	61.1	(-7	71.9)	4.5
SF ₅ C=C F'		F' 67.0 F 85.8		-78.0	-72.0	5.73
SF ₅ C=CF(F')		F' 58.9 F 67.6	57.0	(-72.3)		
SF5CHFCF3	172.1		76.3	-68.2	-51.6	5.41
SF ₅ CH ₂ CF ₃			65.4	-75.5	-68.2	4.02
SF ₅ C(CF ₃) ₂ H			62.8	(-70.8) 4.5		4.51
SF ₅ CF(OSO ₂ F)CF ₃	110.3		79.9	-62.3	-45.3	-51.2
SF ₅ C(CF ₃) ₂ OSO ₂ F			66.6	-65.8	-58.8	-51.C

^{*} Fluorine chemical shifts in ppm from internal CFCl $_3$ and proton chemical shifts in ppm downfield from internal TMS

^{**} X represents either H or FSO3

TABLE IV

NMR coupling constants*

FSF ₄ CH ₂ CF ₂ Cl 1 2 3 4	$J_{1-2} = 139$ $J_{2-3} = 7.2$	$J_{2-4} = 11.6$ $J_{3-4} = 12.4$	
FSF ₄ CH ₂ CF ₃ 1 2 3 4	$J_{1-2} = 138$ $J_{2-3} = 7.3$	$J_{2-4} = 10.1$ $J_{3-4} = 8.8$	
FSF ₄ CF(H)CF ₃ 1 2 3 4 5	$J_{1-2} = 144.0$ $J_{1-3} = 2.5$ $J_{2-3} = 2.5$	$J_{2-4} = 5.0$ $J_{2-5} = 11.0$ $J_{3-4} = 43.5$	•
FSF ₄ CF(CF ₃)OSO ₂ F 1 2 3 4 5	$J_{1-2} = 142$ $J_{1-3} = 4.2$ $J_{2-3} = 12.0$	$J_{2-4} = 9.5$ $J_{2-5} =$ $J_{3-4} = 2.8$	• •
FSF ₄ C(CF ₃) ₂ OSO ₂ F 1 2 3 4	$J_{1-2} = 131$ $J_{2-3} = 12.4$	$J_{2-4} = 2.9$ $J_{3-4} = 3.0$	

^{*}Values given in Hz

are listed in Table IV. The axial S-F was not found to couple to protons on the α -carbon or to any group on the β -carbon in the aliphatic derivatives, but we do observe coupling with fluorine on the α -carbon in $SF_5CF(H)CF_3$ and $SF_5CF(OSO_2F)CF_3$. This coupling in the $SF_5CF(H)CF_3$ case was unusual and unexpected, in that the axial and equatorial S-F coupling constants to the CF are approximately equal. The C-F resonance appears as a hextet (SF_5) of quartets (CF_3) of doublets (H). Comparison of the assigned coupling constants from this resonance with those from the CF_3 and H resonances confirms this assignment. Although decoupling would have been desirable, the peak widths were sufficiently great that it was impossible to decouple the resonances successfully.

The equatorial sulfur-fluorine chemical shift shows the anticipated sensitivity to α -carbon substitution; however, a smaller shielding effect is also found when considering β -carbon substitution. Thus, when comparing the corresponding $SF_5CH(X)CF_3$ and $SF_5CH(X)CF_2Cl$ derivatives (X=H,F), enhanced shielding is found in the former case. Although the β -substitution effect is much smaller, it was interesting to note that the effect appears greater for the axial S-F than the equatorial fluorines.

The addition of the SF₅CH(CF₃)CF₂X derivatives (X=Cl.F) to this comparison would have been of value, but the nmr spectra of these compounds do not correspond to the typical AB4 spectrum observed for the ethyl cases. The SF₅ group appears essentially as one complex resonance, undoubtedly due to a very small chemical shift difference ($\Delta \phi \sim 10-20$ Hz) between the highly coupled axial and equatorial fluorines. This effect has been observed recently [25], and although sufficient to explain the spectra, it does not offer a rationale for the departure from the "normal" AB4 pattern of the other derivatives. The carbon-fluorine and proton resonances are very broad, complicated, and contain unsymmetrical multiplets suggestive of differing conformers. The wide resonances prevented simplication through decoupling experiments, and attempts to thermally (65°) eliminate potential conformers in SF₅C(CF₃)₂H were unsuccessful. The conversion of SF5C(CF3)2H to the fluorosulfate results in the "normal" AB4 pattern and simplification of the CF3 resonance. Although it is tempting to suggest that the complex spectra resulted from a hydrogen interaction, we must also consider that this effect was not observed in the other hydryl derivatives and that the fluorosulfate conversion results in an α -carbon substitution which could produce the required $\Delta \omega$ to give a "normal" AB4 pattern.

EXPERIMENTAL

Starting materials and apparatus

The SF₅Cl, CF₃I, CH₂=CF₂, CHF=CF₂ (PCR, Inc.), KOH (J. T. Baker), KMnO₄, (CH₃)₂CO (Fischer Scientific Co.), $[(CH_3)_2C(CN)N=]_2$ (Eastman) and HC(O)NH₂ (Eastman, <0.05% H₂O) were used as received;

the KF·2H₂O (Baker & Adamson) was ground and dried at 300°, then stored at 180°. The CF₃CH=CF₂ was synthesized by the KOH dehydroiodination of CF₃CH₂CF₂I [26] and identified from its infrared spectrum [27].

The gases and volatile liquids were measured by PVT relationships in a conventional Pyrex glass vacuum system equipped with Teflon stopcocks. The $HC(0)\,NH_2$ was syringed into the reaction vessels after addition of the preweighed dry KF. The photochemical reactions were carried out in quartz vessels with a Rayonet Model RPR-100 Photochemical Reactor using 16 300 nm lamps of approximately 21 watts power. Gas chromatographic separations were carried out on a GOW-MAC Model 69-550 chromatograph with an 8 ft. x 0.25 in. stainless steel column packed with 15% DCQF-1 on Chromosorb P. The thermal stabilities were carried out in an oil bath at ~170° using 0.2 to 0.5 mmole of sample in a 10 ml Pyrex tube equipped with a Teflon stopcock.

Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Model 567 Infrared Spectrometer using sample pressures of 3-5 mm Hg in an 8.0 cm Pyrex cell with KBr optics. The ¹⁹F nmr spectra were recorded on a JEOL Model MH-100 NMR Spectrometer, and the ¹H spectra were recorded on a Varian HA-100 NMR Spectrometer. Elemental analyses, where possible, were obtained from PCR, Inc.

2-Chloro-1,1-dihydryl-1-pentafluorosulfur- \underline{F} -ethane

Approximately 0.35g azobis[2-methylpropionitrile] was added to a 30 ml stainless steel Hoke cylinder and the cylinder evacuated before adding 38 mmole each of SF₅Cl and CH₂=CF₂. The cylinder was slowly warmed to room temperature, then heated in an oven at 120° for 24 hr. The N₂ generated was removed at -196° and the remaining volatile material fractionated using -45°, -80°, -96° and -196° traps. Final purification of the SF₅CH₂CF₂Cl (-80°) was accomplished by gas chromatography. Yield 33.2 mmole (87.7%), MW 228.6, Theory 226.5. Elemental analysis: C 9.92, H 0.86, F 57.81, S 14.46; Theory C 10.60, H 0.89, F 58.7, S 14.15.

$\hbox{1--Chloro-2-hydryl-2-pentafluorosulfur-\underline{F}-propane}$

SF₅Cl (22.0 mmole) and CF₃CH=CF₂ (22.0 mmole) were condensed into a 670 ml quartz vessel equipped with a Teflon stopcock. The bottom 10.0 cm of the photolysis bulb was then covered with blackened foil and the mixture photolyzed for 6 hr with 300 nm lamps. Initial fractionation of the reaction mixture using -80°, -110°, and -196° traps was followed by refractionation of the -80° trap with -45°, -63°, -80° and -196° traps. Final g.c. purification of the SF₅CH(CF₃)CF₂Cl in the -63° trap yielded 6.67 mmole (29.5%) of product. MW 297.5; theory 294.4. Elemental analysis: C 12.31, H 0.30, Cl 11.8, F 64.49, S 10.91; theory 12.23, H 0.34, Cl 12.04, F 64.50, S 10.89.

${\tt 1-Hydryl-1-pentafluorosulfur-\underline{F}-ethylene}$

The $SF_5CH=CF_2$ was prepared in a 200 ml Pyrex reaction vessel by shaking 13.3 mmole $SF_5CH_2CF_2C1$ with excess KOH for ~1 hr. Fractionation of the reaction mixture with -45°, -80° and -196° traps isolated the product in the -80° and -196° traps. Subsequent g.c. purification afforded 11.2 mmole (84.6%) $SF_5CH=CF_2$. MW 190.6; theory 190.1.

2-Pentafluorosulfur-F-propene

 $SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2$ was prepared in an analogous method using $SF_5CH(CF_3)CF_2Cl$ (10.1 mmole) and KOH. The volatile gases were fractionated with -80°, -95°, -110° and -196° traps and the -80° and -95° fractions recombined and refractionated with -45°, -63°, -80° and -196° traps. Final purification by g.c. resulted in isolation of 6.0 mmole (59.5%) $SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2$. MW 262.0, theory 258.1.

1,1-Dihydry1-1-pentafluorosulfur-F-ethane

A 50 ml Pyrex reactor was charged with 1.03 g KF (19.8 mmole) and 22 ml $HC(0)NH_2$, then evacuated before condensing 9.5 mmole $SF_5CH=CF_2$ into the vessel. The mixture was carefully warmed to

room temperature and placed on a wrist-action shaker for 45 minutes. The majority of the volatile gases were removed under static vacuum prior to removal by dynamic vacuum. Fractionation with -45° , -80° , -95° , and -196° traps afforded essentially pure $SF_5CH_2CF_3$ in the -80° and -95° traps. Further purification by gas chromatography gave 7.95 mmole (83.8%) $SF_5CH_2CF_3$. MW 210.1; theory 210.1.

1-Hydryl-1-pentafluorosulfur-F-ethane

In an analogous reaction, $SF_5CF=CF_2$ (12.2 mmole) was condensed into a mixture of KF (20.3 mmole) and $HC(0)NH_2$ (20 ml) and placed on a shaker for ~1 hr. Subsequent fractionation with -80°, -95°, -110° and -196° traps yielded SF_5CHFCF_3 in the -95° and -110° traps. Minor impurities were removed by g.c. purification resulting in 10.5 mmole (86.3%) of product. MW 228.6; theory 228.1.

2-Hydry1-2-pentafluorosulfur-F-propane

The preparation of $SF_5C(CF_3)_2H$ was achieved from 5.5 mmole $SF_5C(CF_3)=CF_2$ and 12.3 mmole KF in 15 ml $HC(O)NH_2$ using a 50 ml reactor. The volatile gases were carefully removed and fractionation isolated the product at -80° and -95° traps. Purification by g.c. resulted in 5.0 mmole (90.9%) $SF_5C(CF_3)_2H$. MW 277.9; theory 278.1. Elemental analysis: C 12.95, H 0.54, F 75.45; theory C 12.96, H 0.36, F 75.15.

$\underline{\underline{F}}$ -(1-pentafluorosulfur) ethyl-1-fluorosulfate

SF₅CHFCF₃ (5.0 mmole) and S₂O₆F₂ (6.0 mmole) were condensed into a 50 ml Pyrex reactor equipped with a Teflon stopcock. The reaction mixture was warmed to 60° for 4 hr, then cooled to -23° for static removal of the volatile gases. This material was placed on Hg to remove unreacted S₂O₆F₂ prior to fractionation with -45°, -80° and -196° traps. The -80° trap contained the SF₅CF(OSO₂F)CF₃ which was g.c.'ed to yield 3.85 mmole (76.9%) of product. MW 325.9; theory 326.1. Elemental analysis: C 7.45, F 57.54; theory C 7.37, F 58.25.

$\underline{\mathbf{F}}$ -(2-pentafluorosulfur)propyl-2-fluorosulfate

 $SF_5C(CF_3)_2OSO_2F$ was prepared from $SF_5C(CF_3)_2H$ (3.67 mmole) and $S_2O_6F_2$ (4.3 mmole) in a 50 ml Pyrex reactor heated to 80° for 2.5 hr. Fractionation with -45°, -63°, -80° and -196° traps followed removal of the volatile liquids at 0° and Hg treatment. The contents of the -45° and -63° traps were combined and g.c.'ed to yield 2.42 mmole (65.8%) $SF_5C(CF_3)_2OSO_2F$. MW 381.7; theory 376.1. Elemental analysis: C 9.54, S 17.62; theory C 9.38, S 17.05.

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