## 1 λ<sup>4</sup>,2-Thiazacyclohexa-1,4-dienes

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Summary The first [4+2] addition to a formal S=N triple bond is found in the reaction of perfluorobutadiene with N=S-F.

THIAZYL FLUORIDE (NSF) (1) is known to form polymeric products and a cyclic trimer.¹ Attempts to incorporate the -N=S(F)- unit into heterocycles have been unsuccessful until now, however. Thermal addition of (1) to the double bond of hexafluoropropene in the presence of CsF gives linear thiazenes,² and reaction with hexafluorobut-2-yne

gives the thiadiazole (2) and the dithiadiazole (3).<sup>3</sup> Alkylbutadienes, e.g. 2,3-dimethylbutadiene, react explosively, but with perfluorobutadiene perfluoro- $1\lambda^4$ ,2-thiazacyclo-

hexa-1,4-diene (4) is formed in almost quantitative yield (Scheme 1) in an exothermic [4+2] addition. Compound (4) is a stable, colourless, moisture-sensitive liquid, b.p. 89 °C at 748 mmHg. I.r. absorptions (gas phase) at

Scheme 1.  $\delta$  Values for compound (4), in p.p.m. from CFCl<sub>3</sub> internal reference;  $-30\,^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$ ; coupling constants:  $J_{1.2}$  36·0,  $J_{1.3}$  12·9,  $J_{1.4}$  0·7,  $J_{1.5}$  5·2,  $J_{1.6}$  20·2,  $J_{1.7}$  <1,  $J_{2.3}$  237·0,  $J_{2.4}$  25·8,  $J_{2.5}$  12·4,  $J_{2.6}$  1·8,  $J_{2.7}$  4·0,  $J_{3.4}$  25·8,  $J_{3.5}$  12·9,  $J_{3.6}$  6·3,  $J_{3.7}$  <1,  $J_{4.5}$  9·4,  $J_{4.6}$  9·2,  $J_{4.7}$  22·4,  $J_{5.6}$  24·6,  $J_{5.7}$  12·7, and  $J_{6.7}$  253·0 Hz.

1743w, 1335s, and 680s cm<sup>-1</sup> are tentatively assigned to  $\nu_{\text{C-C}}$ ,  $\nu_{\text{S-N}}$ , and  $\nu_{\text{S-P}}$  respectively. In the n.m.r. spectrum the seven fluorine atoms are not magnetically equivalent, with both CF<sub>2</sub> groups showing AB-structures. All the 21 possible coupling constants could be determined. The coupling constants, chemical shifts, and line broadening at room temperature show that the most reasonable assignments are those given on the structural diagram.

Exchange of the sulphur bonded fluorine ligand with retention of the structure is possible; e.g. with SiCl<sub>4</sub> in 60% yield the S-chloro-derivative (5), b.p. 124 °C at 740 mmHg,  $\nu_{\text{C=C}}$  1745m and  $\nu_{\text{S-N}}$  1340s cm<sup>-1</sup>, is formed.

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<sup>2</sup> W. Bludsuss, R. Mews, and O. Glemser, Israel J. Chem., 1978, 17, 137.

<sup>3</sup> W. Bludssus and R. Mews, unpublished results.

$$4(4) + SiCl_{4} \longrightarrow 4 | | | | | | | + SiF_{4}$$

$$-153 \cdot 3 | | | | | | | + SiF_{4}$$

$$-159 \cdot 9 | | | | | | | + SiF_{4}$$

$$-91 \cdot 0 | | (5)$$

Scheme 2.  $\delta$  Values for compound (5), in p.p.m. from CFCl<sub>3</sub> internal reference; -30 °C.

Cleavage of the carbon-sulphur bond of compound (4) is effected by halogens (Scheme 3).

(4) + 
$$\text{Cl}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{u.v.}} \text{CF}_2\text{Cl}[\text{CFCl}]_2 \cdot \text{CF}_2 \cdot \text{NSFCl} (50\%)$$
  
(4) +  $\text{XeF}_2 \xrightarrow{\text{BF}_3} \text{CF}_3\text{C}(\text{F}) = \text{C}(\text{F}).\text{CF}_2.\text{NSF}_2$   
+  $\text{CF}_3[\text{CF}_2]_3\text{NSF}_2$   
(72% cis, 15% trans) (13%)  
Scheme 3

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