

# Synthesis of Poly- and the First Perfluoroalkyl-N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> Derivatives: Improved Methods for the Preparation of XN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (X = H, Cl) and Single-Crystal Diffraction Studies of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub>, HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>, and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub><sup>†</sup>

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The preparation of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> was achieved conveniently by fluorination of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> with SbF<sub>3</sub>. Reactions of Hg[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> with fluoroalkyl iodides RI (R = *i*-C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>) gave *i*-C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**1**) and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**2**). The chlorination of Hg[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> provided a high-yield method of synthesizing the well-known ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>. N-alkylation of ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> with fluorinated ethenes CF<sub>2</sub>=CHAl<sub>2</sub> (CHAl<sub>2</sub> = CF<sub>2</sub>, CFCl, and CCl<sub>2</sub>) resulted in the formation of CF<sub>2</sub>CICF<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**3**), CF<sub>2</sub>CICFCIN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**4a**, major), CFCl<sub>2</sub>-CF<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**4b**, minor), and CCl<sub>3</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**5**). The synthesis of the first perfluoroalkyl-N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivatives CF<sub>3</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**6**), C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**7**), *n*-C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**8**), and *n*-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**9**) was accomplished with moderate-to-good yields by reacting ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> with iodoperfluoroalkanes R<sub>F</sub>I (R<sub>F</sub> = CF<sub>3</sub>, C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>, *n*-C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>, and *n*-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>). Similarly, ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> reacted with CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>I to give **2**. Photolysis of ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> with iodoperfluoroalkanes R<sub>F</sub>I (R<sub>F</sub> = *n*-C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>, and *n*-C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub>) gave **8** and **9** in low yields. HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> belongs to a monoclinic crystal system *P*2<sub>1</sub> (No. 4): *a* = 5.1619(5) Å, *b* = 7.8153(8) Å, *c* = 6.8028(7) Å, β = 100.411(2)°, *V* = 269.92(5) Å<sup>3</sup>, *Z* = 2. HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> is monoclinic *P*2<sub>1</sub>/*c* (No. 14): *a* = 7.7331(3) Å, *b* = 10.0542(2) Å, *c* = 9.3197(3) Å, β = 109.495(1)°, *V* = 683.07(4) Å<sup>3</sup>, *Z* = 4. CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> is orthorhombic *P*2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub>2<sub>1</sub> (No. 19): *a* = 11.1245(1) Å, *b* = 28.8003(4) Å, *c* = 7.7120 Å, *V* = 2470.90(4) Å<sup>3</sup>, *Z* = 12.

## Introduction

The chemistry of the strong nitrogen acids HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> and HN(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> has been reviewed. These acids and their derivatives have gained much attention because of important applications, for example, as electrolytes, as additives for electrolytes in fuel cells, or as selective electrophilic fluorinating agents.<sup>1</sup>

More recent reports deal with some new N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivatives, such as R<sub>3</sub>EN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (E = Si,<sup>2,3</sup> Ge,<sup>3</sup> Sn,<sup>3,4</sup> Pb<sup>3</sup>; R = alkyl), [Ph<sub>3</sub>C][N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>],<sup>5</sup> [Ph<sub>3</sub>PH][N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>],<sup>3</sup> and their crystal structures. The crystal structure of CsN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> was determined independently by two groups.<sup>3,6</sup> Also syntheses of an azido derivative, N<sub>3</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>7</sup> and the crystal structure of S[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub><sup>8</sup> were reported.

Alkyl and fluoroalkyl derivatives of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> and HN(SO<sub>2</sub>-CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> were prepared by the reaction of either the acids or their

*N*-chloro derivatives with olefins.<sup>9–11</sup> To the best of our knowledge, the only report of a perfluoroalkyl derivative of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> or HN(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> is the detection of CF<sub>3</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> as a volatile byproduct formed during the decomposition of Xe-[N(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>.<sup>12,13</sup>

The present work describes an extension of the chemistry of ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>, fluoroalkylation of Hg[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>, and the synthesis and isolation of the first perfluoroalkyl-N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivatives. In addition to the synthetic studies, we have also carried out single-crystal X-ray diffraction studies on low-melting HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub>, HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>, and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>. Moreover, we report a much improved route for the preparation of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>. In addition to the usual methods of characterization, the <sup>14</sup>N NMR shifts of these materials were determined. The only previously reported nitrogen NMR data are the <sup>15</sup>N shifts for several <sup>15</sup>N enriched xenon-containing N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> species such as Xe[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>14</sup> [XeN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>[Sb<sub>3</sub>F<sub>16</sub>]<sup>-</sup>,<sup>15</sup> FXeN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>16–18</sup> HN(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, and [N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>.<sup>17</sup> With the exception of FN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub><sup>19</sup> and ClN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>20</sup> the IR spectra of

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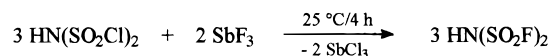
$N(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  derivatives in the gas phase have not been reported. All of the IR spectra in this study were recorded in the gas phase, including those for  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  and  $[\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2]_2$ . Because of the stability of the  $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2^{\bullet}$  radical vis-à-vis  $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3)_2^{\bullet}$ , we have been successful in carrying out photolytic reactions of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  with some perfluoroalkyl iodides to generate some *N*-perfluoroalkyl bis(fluorosulfonyl)imide derivatives.  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3)_2$  is known to decompose under photolytic conditions to form  $[\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_2\text{NSO}_2]_2$  and  $\text{CF}_3\text{Cl}$ , but  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  forms  $[\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2]_2$  and  $\text{Cl}_2$  exclusively.

## Results and Discussion

Previously, the synthesis of the starting material,  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ , was best achieved by fluorination of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$ <sup>21</sup> with  $\text{AsF}_3$ .<sup>22</sup> However, separation problems due to the presence of  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  made the isolation of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  difficult and resulted in only about 52% isolated yields. A modification to the procedure for separating  $\text{HSO}_3\text{Cl}$  from  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$  and subsequent fluorination and removal of traces (<5%) of  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  using  $\text{KCl}$  monitored by  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectroscopy resulted in pure  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  in yields as high as ~92%.<sup>23</sup>

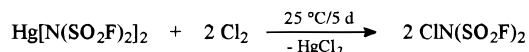
Fluorination of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$  with  $\text{SbF}_3$  has been reported recently, but no detailed procedure is listed.<sup>3</sup> We found that  $\text{SbF}_3$  was superior to  $\text{AsF}_3$  for the fluorination of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$ . It replaced the relatively expensive  $\text{AsF}_3$ , which also has higher toxicity. Another important aspect is the fact that we never observed the formation of  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  as a byproduct.  $\text{SbF}_3$  was utilized in slight excess at room temperature as shown in Scheme 1.  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  was isolated in good yields.

### Scheme 1



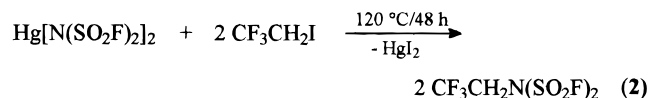
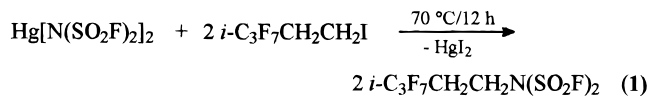
The mercury salt  $\text{Hg}[\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2]_2$ <sup>24</sup> proved to be a useful intermediate. For example,  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  was prepared from  $\text{Hg}[\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2]_2$  (Scheme 2) in higher yield than that from the silver salt  $\text{AgN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ , which gave only moderate yields of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ .<sup>20</sup>

### Scheme 2



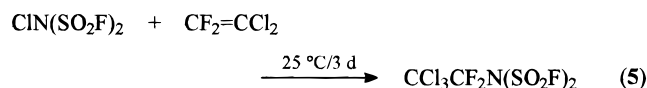
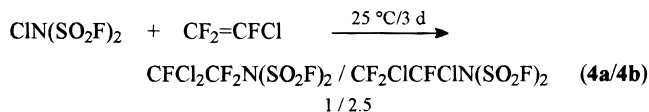
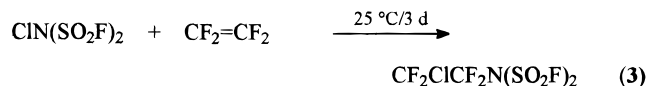
Alkylation of  $\text{Hg}[\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2]_2$  with polyfluoroalkyl iodides (Scheme 3) at elevated temperatures led to the respective polyfluoroalkyl- $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  derivatives **1** and **2**. The less reactive polyfluoroalkyl iodides required more vigorous conditions than those described for the reactions of the nonfluorinated iodides  $\text{CH}_3\text{I}$  and  $\text{C}_2\text{H}_5\text{I}$  with  $\text{AgN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  (2 h/25 °C).<sup>25</sup>

### Scheme 3



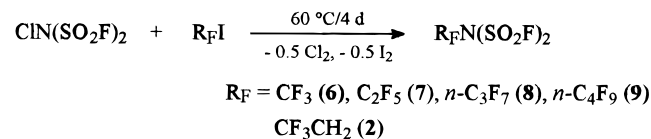
The reaction of perhalogenated ethenes with  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  gave the perhalogenoalkyl- $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  derivatives **3**, **4a/4b**, and **5** (Scheme 4). Interestingly for the reaction with  $\text{CF}_2=\text{CFCl}$ , we observed the formation of two isomers. The main product was found to be isomer **4b**, formed by attack of the  $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  moiety on the  $\text{CFCl}$  carbon atom. Because of the slightly lower vapor pressure of **4b**, it was possible to separate **4b** from **4a** by low-temperature vacuum distillation as described in the Experimental Section.

### Scheme 4



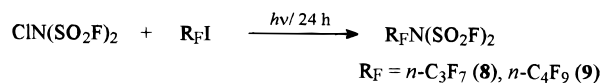
The reaction of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  with iodoperfluoroalkanes provided a route to the first perfluoroalkyl- $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  derivatives (Scheme 5). Derivative **2** can be synthesized in better yields than by the method described in Scheme 3 by reaction of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  with  $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}_2\text{I}$ .

### Scheme 5



Chlorine and iodine were identified as byproducts. We believe that this reaction proceeded via a radical mechanism. The reaction of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  with  $\text{CF}_3\text{Br}$  under identical conditions did not produce **6**. Instead, we observed the formation of  $\text{ClSO}_2\text{F}$ , which indicates fragmentation of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ . No other decomposition products were isolated or identified. Photolysis of mixtures of  $\text{CIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  and  $\text{R}_\text{F}\text{I}$  also produced the perfluoroalkyl- $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  derivatives but only in low yields (Scheme 6).

### Scheme 6



The  $^{19}\text{F}$  NMR spectra of compounds **3**, **4a**, and **6–9** showed two resonances for the SF fluorine atoms. This phenomenon was also observed for  $\text{CF}_3\text{CFClCF}_2\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  and  $(\text{CF}_3)_2\text{CCIN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ .<sup>9</sup> We believe that this is due to a staggered conformation of the  $\text{SO}_2\text{F}$  groups in the  $\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  moiety which resulted in inequivalence of the SF fluorine atoms. Variable-temperature experiments in the range of 25–60 °C with **8** showed that increasing the temperature to 60 °C did not affect this inequivalence. Derivatives **1**, **2**, and **5** showed a single resonance for the SF fluorine atoms that is the same as that observed for  $\text{CH}_3\text{CF}_2\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ ,  $\text{CH}_2\text{CICF}_2\text{N}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ , and  $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}_2\text{CH}(\text{CH}_3)\text{N}$ -

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**Table 1.** Crystallographic Data for HN(SO<sub>2</sub>X)<sub>2</sub> (X = F or Cl) and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>

	HN(SO <sub>2</sub> Cl) <sub>2</sub>	HN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub>	CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub>
empirical formula	HCl <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	HF <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub>	C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>2</sub> F <sub>3</sub> NO <sub>4</sub> S <sub>2</sub>
formula weight	214.04	181.14	263.17
temperature (°C)	-60(2)	-100(2)	-60(2)
crystal system	monoclinic	monoclinic	orthorhombic
space group	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> / <i>c</i> (No. 14)	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> (No. 4)	<i>P</i> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> 2 <sub>1</sub> (No. 19)
<i>a</i> (Å)	7.7331(3)	5.1619(5)	11.1245(1)
<i>b</i> (Å)	10.0542(2)	7.8153(8)	28.8003(4)
<i>c</i> (Å)	9.3197(3)	6.8028(7)	7.7120(0)
$\beta$ (deg)	109.495(1)	100.411(2)	90
volume( Å <sup>3</sup> ), <i>Z</i>	683.07(4), 4	269.92(5), 2	2470.90(4), 12
$\rho_{\text{calc}}$ (g cm <sup>-3</sup> )	2.081	2.229	2.122
$\mu$ (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	15.05	9.76	7.26
<i>F</i> (000)	424	180	1560
$\theta$ range for data (deg)	2.79–28.25	3.04–28.20	1.96–28.24
limiting indices	-8 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 10 -13 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 11 -12 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 11	-6 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 6 -7 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 10 -9 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 8	-14 ≤ <i>h</i> ≤ 14 -38 ≤ <i>k</i> ≤ 31 -9 ≤ <i>l</i> ≤ 10
reflections collected/unique	8015, 1614	1750, 886	14723, 5783
<i>R</i> <sub>int</sub>	0.0295	0.041	0.0257
data/restraints/ parameters	1614/0/87	886/0/87	5783/0/404
goodness of fit on <i>F</i> <sup>2</sup>	1.113	1.082	1.097
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [ <i>2</i> $\sigma$ ( <i>I</i> ) data] <sup>a</sup>	0.0368, 0.0880	0.0256, 0.0674	0.0386, 0.0903
<i>R</i> <sub>1</sub> , <i>wR</i> <sub>2</sub> [all data] <sup>a</sup>	0.0427, 0.0917	0.0263, 0.0676	0.0468, 0.0942
extinction coefficient	0.011(2)	0.079(11)	0.0041(3)
largest diff. peak (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	0.454	0.302	0.350
largest diff. hole (e Å <sup>-3</sup> )	-0.359	-0.354	-0.309

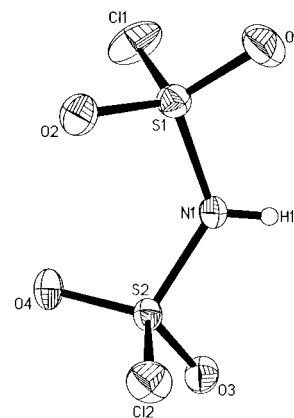
<sup>a</sup>  $w = 1/[(\sigma^2(F_o^2) + (0.0417P)^2 + 0.6062P)]$ , where  $P = (F_o^2 + 2F_c^2)/3$ .

(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>10</sup> suggesting an eclipsed conformation of the SO<sub>2</sub>F groups. For **3**, we observed the presence of both conformers in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum in a ratio of 11:1 (staggered/eclipsed) and were able to assign the resonances (see the Experimental Section).

The <sup>14</sup>N NMR spectra of compounds **1–9** measured in CDCl<sub>3</sub> showed broad resonances (line widths of 350–700 Hz) in the range of -200 to -250 ppm relative to nitromethane. These shifts and line widths lie in the range typical for nitrogen resonances having sulfonamide structures.<sup>26</sup>

Although HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> and its derivatives have been known for over 3 decades, no structures with the N(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> moiety have been reported.<sup>27</sup> There has been a recent increase in interest in the structures of compounds containing the N(SO<sub>2</sub>X)<sub>2</sub> moiety.<sup>3,5,6,8,28</sup> The modifications we have made to the synthetic procedure for the preparation of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> afford this acid, as well as its fluorinated analogue in high purity. The availability of diffraction quality crystals formed at low temperatures for these acids and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> provided an opportunity to study the cryogenic crystal and molecular structures of these compounds. All of the crystallographic data are listed in Table 1.

The molecular structure of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> is shown in Figure 1. The atomic coordinates, equivalent isotropic displacement parameters, bond lengths, and bond angles for HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> are given in Table 2. As found in other nitrogen acids,<sup>8,29–31</sup> the

**Figure 1.** Molecular structure of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> with thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability**Table 2.** Atomic Coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) and Bond Lengths and Angles for HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub><sup>a</sup>

a. Atomic Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters				
	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> (eq)
Cl(1)	-2092(1)	8721(1)	681(1)	70(1)
Cl(2)	4007(1)	5900(1)	1754(1)	45(1)
S(1)	-788(1)	6985(1)	1100(1)	35(1)
S(2)	3097(1)	7703(1)	2019(1)	30(1)
O(1)	-1684(3)	6152(3)	1844(3)	59(1)
O(2)	-474(3)	6596(2)	-252(2)	43(1)
O(3)	4334(3)	8259(2)	3369(2)	43(1)
O(4)	2652(3)	8365(2)	593(2)	40(1)
N(1)	1195(3)	7399(3)	2372(3)	37(1)

b. Bond Lengths and Angles			
bond	length (Å)	bond	length (Å)
Cl(1)–S(1)	1.9880(11)	S(2)–O(3)	1.417(2)
Cl(2)–S(2)	1.9894(9)	S(2)–O(4)	1.422(2)
S(1)–O(1)	1.408(2)	S(2)–N(1)	1.639(2)
S(1)–O(2)	1.415(2)	N(1)–H(1)	0.78(4)
S(1)–N(1)	1.649(2)		

bond	angle (deg)	bond	angle (deg)
O(1)–S(1)–O(2)	122.18(14)	O(4)–S(2)–N(1)	108.75(12)
O(1)–S(1)–N(1)	106.77(13)	O(3)–S(2)–Cl(2)	107.93(10)
O(2)–S(1)–N(1)	108.38(12)	O(4)–S(2)–Cl(2)	107.22(9)
O(1)–S(1)–Cl(1)	108.57(12)	N(1)–S(2)–Cl(2)	103.49(9)
O(2)–S(1)–Cl(1)	107.11(10)	S(2)–N(1)–S(1)	125.75(14)
N(1)–S(1)–Cl(1)	102.04(10)	S(2)–N(1)–H(1)	117(3)
O(3)–S(2)–O(4)	121.74(12)	S(1)–N(1)–H(1)	117(3)
O(3)–S(2)–N(1)	106.26(12)		

<sup>a</sup> *U*(eq) is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized *U*<sub>ij</sub> tensor.

S–NH–S arrangement is planar because of the delocalization of the nitrogen lone pair over the O–S–N–S–O  $\pi$  framework (average angle around nitrogen  $\approx 120^\circ$ ). The point group for the molecule is *C*<sub>2</sub>. A crystallographic *C*<sub>2</sub> axis along the H–N bond bisects the S–N–S bond. The chlorine atoms are located on opposite sides of the S–N–S plane, similar to the positions of the trifluoromethyl groups in the CF<sub>3</sub>-containing analogue. The S–N and S–O bond distances in HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> are comparable to those reported in HN(SO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>8</sup> but the S–N–S angles are compressed to 125.7(2)° from the value of 128.4(2)° found in the latter case.

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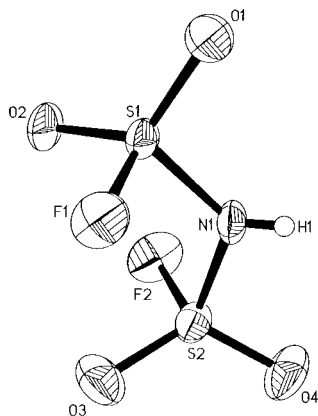
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**Figure 2.** Molecular structure of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  with thermal ellipsoids at 50% probability.

**Table 3.** Atomic Coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) and Bond Lengths and Angles for  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2^a$

a. Atomic Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters				
	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> (eq)
S(1)	6835(1)	677(1)	8961(1)	21(1)
S(2)	7766(1)	-2064(1)	6336(1)	25(1)
F(1)	7295(4)	-459(3)	10830(3)	36(1)
F(2)	5704(4)	-1369(3)	4617(3)	43(1)
O(1)	8018(4)	2263(4)	9507(3)	34(1)
O(2)	4158(3)	489(3)	8090(3)	30(1)
O(3)	6415(5)	-3147(3)	7456(4)	40(1)
O(4)	9960(5)	-2587(4)	5522(4)	43(1)
N(1)	8596(5)	-288(3)	7551(4)	24(1)

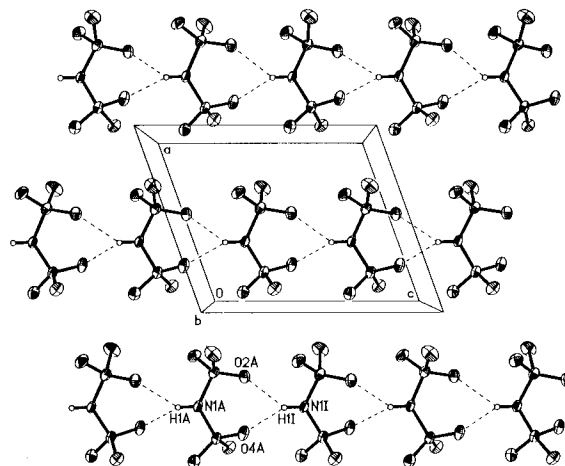
b. Bond Lengths and Angles			
bond	length ( $\text{\AA}$ )	bond	length ( $\text{\AA}$ )
S(1)–O(1)	1.402(3)	S(2)–O(4)	1.408(2)
S(1)–O(2)	1.409(2)	S(2)–F(2)	1.532(2)
S(1)–F(1)	1.534(2)	S(2)–N(1)	1.633(3)
S(1)–N(1)	1.621(3)	N(1)–H(1)	0.64(6)
S(2)–O(3)	1.405(2)		

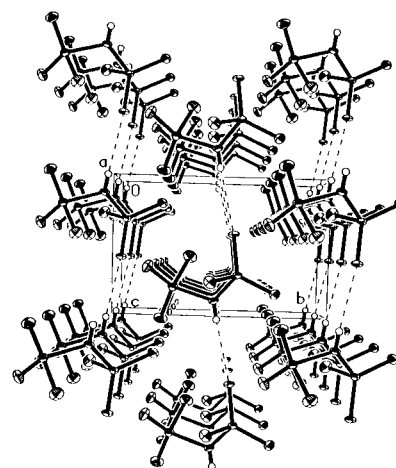
bond	angle (deg)	bond	angle (deg)
O(1)–S(1)–O(2)	123.4(2)	O(4)–S(2)–F(2)	107.48(14)
O(1)–S(1)–F(1)	107.29(13)	O(3)–S(2)–N(1)	110.36(13)
O(2)–S(1)–F(1)	106.33(13)	O(4)–S(2)–N(1)	106.8(2)
O(1)–S(1)–N(1)	107.70(13)	F(2)–S(2)–N(1)	99.64(13)
O(2)–S(1)–N(1)	108.36(13)	S(1)–N(1)–S(2)	124.8(2)
F(1)–S(1)–N(1)	101.66(12)	S(1)–N(1)–H(1)	117(6)
O(3)–S(2)–O(4)	123.5(2)	S(2)–N(1)–H(1)	114(6)
O(3)–S(2)–F(2)	106.5(2)		

<sup>a</sup> *U*(eq) is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized  $U_{ij}$  tensor.

$\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  crystallizes in a polar space group  $P2_1$ , and refinement of Flack's parameter gives a value of 0.02(12), which suggests that the assigned absolute configuration is accurate. The fluorine atoms are in a staggered conformation (Figure 2), imparting to the molecule approximate  $C_2$  symmetry. Table 3b contains the bond lengths and angles for  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ . Substitution of the chlorine atoms in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$  by fluorine causes shortening of both the S–O and the S–N bond distances from 1.412(2) and 1.644(2)  $\text{\AA}$  to 1.406(2) and 1.627(3)  $\text{\AA}$ , respectively. Consequently, the S–N–S angle is further compressed from 125.8(1) in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$  to 124.8(2) $^\circ$  in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ . Compression of the S–N–S angle in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{X})_2$  follows the order  $\text{X} = \text{CF}_3 > \text{Cl} > \text{F}$  and can be explained on the basis of decreasing steric crowding about the sulfur atoms.



**Figure 3.** Intermolecular forked  $\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  bonding shown in the crystal packing diagram of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$  viewed down the *b* axis.



**Figure 4.** Intermolecular chain-type  $\text{H}\cdots\text{O}$  bonding shown in the crystal packing diagram of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$  viewed down the *a* axis.

Intermolecular hydrogen bonding in nitrogen acids is known to occur in different fashions. These range from a linear  $\text{N}\cdots\text{H}$  bond resulting in chain formation as seen in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2$ <sup>29</sup> ( $\text{O}\cdots\text{H} = 2.854(6)$   $\text{\AA}$ ) to dimeric units in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{C}_2\text{H}_5)_2$ <sup>30</sup> ( $\text{O}\cdots\text{H} = 2.87$   $\text{\AA}$ ). Recently, a bifurcated hydrogen bond has been observed in the crystal lattice of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3)_2$  ( $\text{O}\cdots\text{H} \approx 2.26$   $\text{\AA}$ ), where the N–H interacts with the two oxygen atoms of the  $\text{SO}_2$  groups located on the neighboring molecule. The packing diagram of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{Cl})_2$  along the *b* axis is shown in Figure 3. In this case, the hydrogen-bonding networks form six-membered rings arranged in a polymeric fashion. The N–H interacts with two oxygen atoms of a neighboring molecule in a bifurcated manner, as seen in  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{CF}_3)_2$ , with  $\text{N1}–\text{H1}\cdots\text{O2}^a = 2.51(4)$   $\text{\AA}$  and  $\text{N1}–\text{H1}\cdots\text{O4}^a = 2.23(4)$   $\text{\AA}$  ( $a = x, 3/2 - y, 1/2 + z$ ). The corresponding  $\text{N1}\cdots\text{O2}^a$  and  $\text{N1}\cdots\text{O4}^a$  contact distances are 3.082(3) and 2.935(3)  $\text{\AA}$ , respectively. In the case of crystal packing of  $\text{HN}(\text{SO}_2\text{F})_2$ , the intermolecular hydrogen bonding is chain-type with only one hydrogen bond linking the N–H proton to the sulfonyl oxygen of the neighboring molecule (Figure 4):  $\text{N1}–\text{H1}\cdots\text{O2}^b = 2.25(6)$   $\text{\AA}$ ;  $\text{N1}\cdots\text{O2}^b = 2.892(3)$   $\text{\AA}$  ( $b = 1 + x, y, z$ ). This observation suggests that bifurcated intermolecular hydrogen bonding is not unique to nitrogen acids where a strong electron-withdrawing group is bonded to the sulfur atom. A comparison of intermolecular hydrogen bond

**Table 4.** Atomic Coordinates ( $\times 10^4$ ) and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters ( $\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$ ) and Bond Lengths and Angles for CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub><sup>a</sup>

a. Atomic Coordinates and Equivalent Isotropic Displacement Parameters									
	<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> (eq)		<i>x</i>	<i>y</i>	<i>z</i>	<i>U</i> (eq)
S(1)	-1 294(1)	192(1)	3 056(1)	33(1)	O(1)	-1 088(2)	46(1)	1 348(3)	50(1)
S(2)	1 277(1)	154(1)	3 183(1)	33(1)	O(2)	-2 193(2)	511(1)	3 519(3)	48(1)
S(3)	3 596(1)	1537(1)	6 667(1)	34(1)	O(3)	1 128(2)	-327(1)	2 909(3)	45(1)
S(4)	6 160(1)	1468(1)	6 834(1)	36(1)	O(4)	2 202(2)	341(1)	4 195(3)	50(1)
S(5)	8 552(1)	1837(1)	11 833(1)	31(1)	O(5)	2 653(2)	1348(1)	5 691(4)	57(1)
S(6)	11 126(1)	1846(1)	11 811(1)	32(1)	O(6)	3 772(2)	2016(1)	6 884(3)	53(1)
F(1)	-1 501(2)	-249(1)	4 123(3)	53(1)	O(7)	5 954(2)	1636(1)	8 505(4)	67(1)
F(2)	1 363(2)	380(1)	1 392(3)	54(1)	O(8)	7 042(2)	1140(1)	6 405(4)	49(1)
F(3)	-1 098(2)	302(1)	7 280(3)	59(1)	O(9)	7 617(2)	2127(1)	11 271(3)	41(1)
F(4)	806(2)	254(1)	7 412(3)	57(1)	O(10)	8 734(2)	1713(1)	13 570(3)	48(1)
F(5)	-72(3)	885(1)	8 209(3)	68(1)	O(11)	12 051(2)	2033(1)	10 805(4)	58(1)
F(6)	3 497(2)	1333(1)	8 478(3)	62(1)	O(12)	11 010(2)	1374(1)	12 195(3)	43(1)
F(7)	6 417(2)	1896(1)	5 685(3)	60(1)	N(1)	-7(2)	379(1)	3 901(3)	27(1)
F(8)	4 877(3)	768(1)	1 716(3)	70(1)	N(2)	4 862(2)	1293(1)	5 992(3)	29(1)
F(9)	5 961(2)	1338(1)	2 597(3)	61(1)	N(3)	9 835(2)	2041(1)	11 023(3)	27(1)
F(10)	4 058(2)	1414(1)	2 473(3)	64(1)	C(1)	-15(3)	744(1)	5 249(4)	28(1)
F(11)	8 444(2)	1382(1)	10 807(3)	50(1)	C(2)	-96(3)	542(1)	7 047(4)	37(1)
F(12)	11 165(2)	2102(1)	13 557(3)	59(1)	C(3)	4 833(3)	923(1)	4 670(4)	27(1)
F(13)	8 762(2)	1971(1)	7 645(3)	66(1)	C(4)	4 931(3)	1115(1)	2 850(4)	36(1)
F(14)	10 668(2)	1935(1)	7 520(3)	66(1)	C(5)	9 828(3)	2416(1)	9 699(4)	28(1)
F(15)	9 773(3)	2560(1)	6 746(3)	73(1)	C(6)	9 758(3)	2218(1)	7 888(4)	38(1)

b. Bond Lengths and Angles							
bond	length ( $\text{\AA}$ )	bond	length ( $\text{\AA}$ )	bond	length ( $\text{\AA}$ )	bond	length ( $\text{\AA}$ )
S(1)–O(1)	1.402(2)	S(4)–F(7)	1.545(2)	S(2)–N(1)	1.664(2)	S(6)–O(11)	1.397(2)
S(1)–O(2)	1.403(2)	S(4)–N(2)	1.662(2)	S(3)–O(5)	1.402(2)	S(6)–F(12)	1.536(2)
S(1)–F(1)	1.531(2)	S(5)–O(10)	1.402(2)	S(3)–O(6)	1.403(2)	S(6)–N(3)	1.658(2)
S(1)–N(1)	1.663(2)	S(5)–O(9)	1.403(2)	S(3)–F(6)	1.520(2)	N(1)–C(1)	1.478(4)
S(2)–O(4)	1.400(2)	S(5)–F(11)	1.536(2)	S(3)–N(2)	1.658(2)	N(2)–C(3)	1.475(4)
S(2)–O(3)	1.409(2)	S(5)–N(3)	1.665(2)	S(4)–O(7)	1.396(3)	N(3)–C(5)	1.486(4)
S(2)–F(2)	1.530(2)	S(6)–O(12)	1.396(2)	S(4)–O(8)	1.401(2)		

bond	angle (deg)	bond	angle (deg)	bond	angle (deg)	bond	angle (deg)
O(1)–S(1)–O(2)	123.6(2)	O(10)–S(5)–O(9)	123.7(2)	O(4)–S(2)–F(2)	107.1(2)	S(3)–N(2)–S(4)	119.1(2)
O(1)–S(1)–F(1)	106.26(14)	O(12)–S(6)–O(11)	124.1(2)	O(3)–S(2)–F(2)	106.85(14)	C(5)–N(3)–S(6)	120.2(2)
O(2)–S(1)–F(1)	107.36(14)	C(1)–N(1)–S(1)	120.0(2)	O(4)–S(2)–N(1)	107.14(13)	C(5)–N(3)–S(5)	120.6(2)
O(1)–S(1)–N(1)	108.92(14)	C(1)–N(1)–S(2)	121.1(2)	O(3)–S(2)–N(1)	109.38(13)	S(6)–N(3)–S(5)	119.06(14)
O(2)–S(1)–N(1)	107.61(13)	S(1)–N(1)–S(2)	118.8(2)	F(2)–S(2)–N(1)	100.80(13)	N(1)–C(1)–C(2)	111.9(2)
F(1)–S(1)–N(1)	100.79(12)	C(3)–N(2)–S(3)	120.3(2)	O(5)–S(3)–O(6)	123.4(2)	N(2)–C(3)–C(4)	112.0(2)
O(4)–S(2)–O(3)	123.3(2)	C(3)–N(2)–S(4)	120.5(2)	O(7)–S(4)–O(8)	124.5(2)	N(3)–C(5)–C(6)	111.2(2)

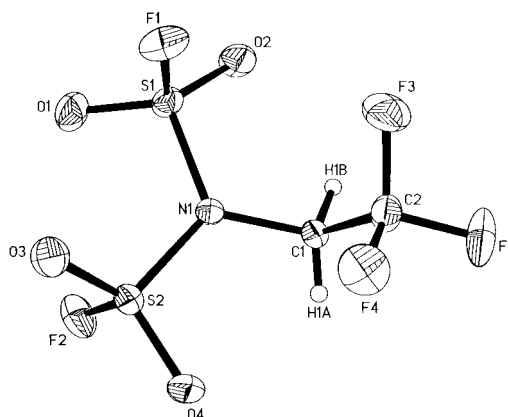
<sup>a</sup> *U*(eq) is defined as one-third of the trace of the orthogonalized *U*<sub>ij</sub> tensor.

distances suggests that the relative acidity in HN(SO<sub>2</sub>X)<sub>2</sub> increases in the order X = CF<sub>3</sub> ≈ F > Cl > C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> ≈ C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>.

A variety of new per- and polyfluoroalkyl derivatives of N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> are reported in this study. However, with the exception of the low melting CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>, all of these derivatives are liquids. Only one other alkyl derivative, CH<sub>2</sub>[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>,<sup>32</sup> has been studied using single-crystal X-ray diffraction.

The unit cell shows three crystallographically independent molecules for **2**. Selected bond lengths and angles are listed in Table 4. The molecular structure of CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (**2**), shown in Figure 5, contains a planar sp<sup>2</sup>-hybridized nitrogen atom with the alkyl chain lying in a plane perpendicular to the plane containing the S–N–S bond. This is consistent with the torsion angles: S1–N1–C1–C2 = 89.9(3)°, S2–N1–C1–C2 = -91.0(3)°, S3–N2–C3–C4 = 90.6(3)°, S4–N2–C3–C4 = -89.9(3)°, S6–N3–C5–C6 = 95.3(3)°, S5–N3–C5–C6 = -89.0(3)°.

The average C–N bond length of 1.479(4) Å in **2** is similar to that found in CH<sub>3</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> at room temperature (1.479



**Figure 5.** Molecular structure of CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> with thermal ellipsoids at 30% probability.

Å)<sup>33</sup> and at -95 °C (1.484 Å),<sup>34</sup> in CH<sub>2</sub>[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> (1.486 Å),<sup>32</sup> and in [CH<sub>3</sub>NSO<sub>2</sub>]<sub>3</sub> (1.487 Å)<sup>35</sup> but significantly shorter than the corresponding distances found in C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-

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**Table 5.** Comparative Structural Characteristics of Some Derivatives Containing the O–S–N–S–O  $\pi$ -framework

compound	av bond lengths (Å)			av bond angles (deg)	
	S–O	S–N	S–F	S–N–S	O–S–O
HN(SO <sub>2</sub> Cl) <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup>	1.412(2)	1.644(2)		125.8(1)	122.2(1)
HN(SO <sub>2</sub> CF <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> <sup>8</sup>	1.409(2)	1.644(1)		128.4(2)	123.9(1)
HN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup>	1.406(2)	1.627(3)	1.533(2)	124.8(2)	123.5(2)
CF <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> N(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>a</sup>	1.402(2)	1.662(2)	1.533(2)	119.0(2)	123.8(2)
CH <sub>2</sub> [N(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>2</sub> <sup>32</sup>	1.402(5)	1.658(5)	1.525(5)	119.8(4)	123.1(3)
S[N(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> ] <sub>2</sub> <sup>8</sup>	1.378(4)	1.688(4)	1.502(5)	118.4(2)	123.2(4)
FXeN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>17</sup>	1.405(3)	1.626(3)	1.532(3)	120.5(2)	123.3
[XeN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>+</sup> [Sb <sub>3</sub> F <sub>16</sub> ] <sup>-15</sup>	1.375	1.69		123.6	125.5
AgN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> ·C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> <sup>53,b</sup>	1.407(8)	1.571(6)	1.403(10)	120.1(7)	112.2(12)
(C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> AsN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>43</sup>	1.415(3)	1.567(3)	1.574(3)	121.4(2)	110.3
CsN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>3</sup>	1.421(3)	1.577(3)	1.566(2)	121.2(2)	119.7(2)
(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> PbN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>3</sup>	1.418(6)	1.593(6)	1.555(5)	119.3(4)	120.0(4)
(C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> PHN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>5</sup>	1.419(2)	1.563(2)	1.566(2)	120.8(1)	118.6(9)
(C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CHN(SO <sub>2</sub> F) <sub>2</sub> <sup>5</sup>	1.414(3)	1.561(3)	1.565(2)	122.0(2)	119.1(2)

<sup>a</sup> Present work. <sup>b</sup> The oxygen and fluorine atoms in the N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> group are disordered.

NO<sub>2</sub>-p)<sub>2</sub> (1.508 Å)<sup>36</sup> and C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>)(SO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Br-p) (1.512 Å).<sup>37</sup> However, the C–N distance of 1.342 Å found in CH<sub>3</sub>N(SO<sub>3</sub>K)<sub>2</sub><sup>38</sup> is very short compared to those of the other compounds listed above. The S–N bond shows a concomitant increase in length as the C–N bond length decreases. For example, in CH<sub>3</sub>N(SO<sub>3</sub>K)<sub>2</sub>,<sup>38</sup> the S–N bond length is 1.750 Å, compared to 1.665 Å observed in the case of C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>)(SO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>Br-p). The S–N bond distance value of 1.662(2) Å compares well with the corresponding value of 1.658(5) Å found in CH<sub>2</sub>[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub>.

A comparison of the structural parameters of N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>-containing derivatives (Table 5) shows that with an increase in the covalent nature of the R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> bond the S–O and S–F bond lengths are shortened and the S–N bonds are elongated. In the case of H<sub>3</sub>N<sup>+</sup>SO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>,<sup>39</sup> the S–N bond length of 1.772 Å corresponds to a S–N single bond. The S–N bond distances of 1.627(3) Å in HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> [almost identical to the S–N bond distance of 1.626(3) Å in FXeN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>],<sup>17</sup> 1.662(2) Å in CF<sub>3</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>, and 1.688(4) Å in S[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub><sup>8</sup> indicate a decrease in the contribution of the nitrogen lone pair to N–S dative bonding, thereby indicating an increase in the S–N bond order.

In covalent R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivatives, the S–O bond distances lie in the range 1.375–1.405 Å, which is close to the S–O bond length found in SO<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub> (1.405 Å), where the S–O bond order is assigned as 2.0 by Gillespie et al.<sup>40</sup> These S–O distances are, however, shorter than the corresponding bond lengths found in CsN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> [1.421(3) Å],<sup>3,6</sup> (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>3</sub>XN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> [X = C, 1.414(3) Å; X = P, 1.419(2) Å],<sup>5</sup> Me<sub>3</sub>PbN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> [1.418(6) Å],<sup>3</sup> NH<sub>2</sub>(SO<sub>3</sub>)<sup>-</sup> (1.457 Å),<sup>41,42</sup> NH(SO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub><sup>2-</sup> [1.449 Å],<sup>43,44</sup> and N(SO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub><sup>3-</sup> (1.468 Å).<sup>45</sup> An increase in S–O bond order is observed in going from an ionic to a covalently bonded R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivative. A similar trend is also observed for the S–F bond lengths, which fall around 1.53 Å for the covalent

R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivatives. For the ionic analogues, this bond distance is ~1.56 Å.

The effects of these structural changes can be seen in fluorine NMR and infrared spectroscopic data for both ionic and covalent R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> compounds. For example, the  $\nu_{\text{asSO}_2}$  frequency for the covalent derivatives<sup>10,20</sup> (see the Experimental Section) is observed at ~1500 cm<sup>-1</sup>, which is ~100 cm<sup>-1</sup> higher than that observed for ionic derivatives such as CsN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (1380 cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>25</sup> A short S–F bond in covalently bonded R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> compounds is consistent with a deshielded fluorine nucleus, based on the decrease in S–F bond polarity expected for the covalent derivatives. Consequently, covalent R–N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> compounds<sup>10,20</sup> show a S–F resonance ~+60 ppm in the <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectrum whereas the ionic counterparts resonate at ~+52 ppm.<sup>25</sup> Compounds that exhibit intermediate S–F chemical shifts are compounds that contain a highly polarized N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> moiety.<sup>4</sup>

The O–S–O bond angles also show an increase in going from ionic to covalent bonding. As seen from Table 5, the O–S–O bond angle in (C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)<sub>4</sub>AsN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub><sup>46</sup> of 110.3° is close to tetrahedral. However, in a covalent molecule like CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>, this O–S–O angle increases to 123.8(2)°. In the case of a cationic species such as [XeN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup>,<sup>15</sup> the O–S–O value reaches a very high value of 125.5°. This effect is consistent with the order of bond-pair–bond-pair repulsion between the S–O bonds possessing considerable double bond character, which is expected to be at a maximum for the [XeN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>+</sup> species.

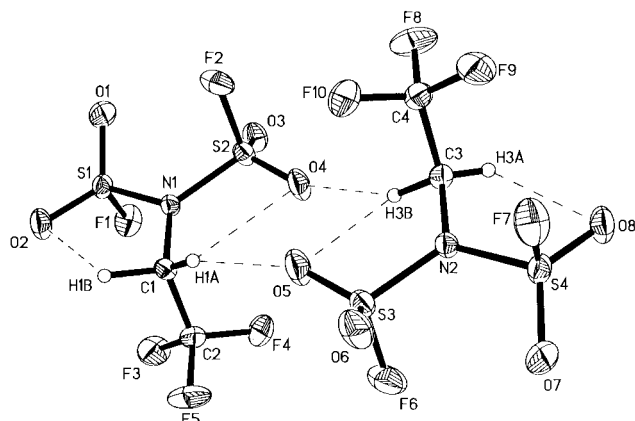
Perhaps the most interesting features of the crystal structure of CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> are the intra- and intermolecular hydrogen bonding networks. These interactions are listed in Table 6 and shown in Figure 6. Within the same asymmetric unit, the molecule containing the atom C5 shows only intramolecular bonds with the sulfonyl oxygen atoms O9 and O11 at 2.52(3) and 2.33(4) Å, respectively. However, the other two crystallographically independent molecules that are present are linked via bifurcated intermolecular hydrogen bonds, forming a four-membered center. This type of bifurcated hydrogen bonding originating from an alkyl proton has recently been reported by Gard et al.<sup>47</sup> Figure 7 shows intermolecular hydrogen-bonding networks resulting from the interaction of the molecules from different unit cells. These distances range from 2.43(3) to 2.89-

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**Table 6.** Intra- and Intermolecular Hydrogen Bond Distances in CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>

Intramolecular Interactions		
bond	distance (Å)	
C1–H1A···O4	2.49(2)	
C1–H1B···O2	2.28(3)	
C3–H3A···O8	2.46(2)	
C3–H3B···O4	2.34(3)	
C3–H3A···O5	2.32(3)	
C5–H5A···O11	2.33(4)	
C5–H5B···O9	2.52(3)	
Intermolecular Interactions		
bond	distance (Å)	symmetry operation
O1···H3A	2.60(3)	$1/2 - x, -y, -1/2 + z$
O2···H3A	2.89(3)	$-1 + x, y, z$
O3···H3A	2.65(3)	$1/2 - x, -y, -1/2 + z$
O6···H5B	2.77(3)	$-1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, 2 - z$
O7···H5A	2.50(4)	$-1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, 2 - z$
O8···H1B	2.67(3)	$1 + x, y, z$
O9···H5A	2.43(4)	$-1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, 2 - z$
O10···H1B	2.50(3)	$1 + x, y, 1 + z$
O11···H5B	2.70(3)	$1/2 + x, 1/2 - y, 2 - z$
O12···H1A	2.68(3)	$1 + x, y, 1 + z$

**Figure 6.** Intramolecular hydrogen bonding in CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> forming four-membered H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> units.

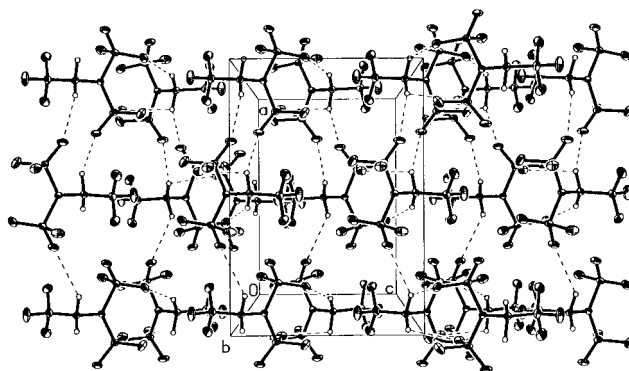
(3) Å as seen in Table 6. In addition to these intermolecular hydrogen bonds, there are numerous other fluorine–fluorine contacts at a distance of ~2.9 Å.

Studies involving the chemistry of these per- and polyfluoroalkyl-N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> derivatives are continuing.

## Experimental Section

**Materials.** HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub><sup>21</sup> and Hg[N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub><sup>24</sup> were prepared by the literature methods. SbF<sub>3</sub> (Ozark-Mahoning, Tulsa, OK) was sublimed in a vacuum prior to use.

**General Considerations.** A conventional vacuum system, consisting of a Pyrex glass vacuum line fitted with Teflon needle stopcocks and equipped with Heise Bourdon tube and Televac thermocouple gauges, was used to handle gases and volatile liquids. Standard pressure–volume–temperature techniques were used to quantitate starting materials or products. Fractional condensation (trap-to-trap distillation) was used for the purification of products. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer 1710 FT-IR spectrometer with a 10-cm glass cell equipped with AgCl windows. <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>14</sup>N, and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were obtained on a Bruker AC200 or AC300 FT-NMR instrument using CDCl<sub>3</sub> as solvent at room temperature unless otherwise noted. Chemical shifts were reported with respect to (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>Si, CH<sub>3</sub>-NO<sub>2</sub>, or CFCl<sub>3</sub>. Mass spectra were obtained with a Varian VG 7070 HS mass spectrometer by using the electron-impact (EI) technique. Peak assignments of chlorine-containing fragments were based on <sup>35</sup>Cl. Elemental analyses were performed by Beller Mikroanalytisches

**Figure 7.** Packing diagram of CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> viewed along the *b* axis showing the intermolecular H···O contacts.

Laboratorium, Göttingen, Germany. Photolysis reactions were carried out in quartz reaction vessels irradiated in a Rayonet photochemical reactor with 3000-Å UV lamps.

The X-ray diffraction data were collected on a Siemens SMART 3-circle diffractometer ( $\chi$  axis fixed at 54.74°) equipped with a CCD detector maintained near -54 °C. The frame data were acquired with the SMART<sup>48</sup> software with a Siemens 3-circle platform using graphite-monochromated Mo K $\alpha$  radiation ( $\lambda = 0.71073$  Å). Because HN(SO<sub>2</sub>X)<sub>2</sub> (X = Cl or F) and CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> are low-melting compounds, in addition to being highly moisture-sensitive, a single colorless crystal of each was mounted in a glass capillary fixed on a copper pin premounted on a goniometer head and then transferred onto the diffractometer platform under a stream of cold nitrogen. The cell constants were determined from 60 10-s frames. A complete hemisphere of data was scanned on  $\omega$  (0.3°) with a run time of 10 s/frame at a detector resolution of 512 × 512 pixels. A total of 1271 frames were collected in three sets, and a final set of 50 frames, identical to the first 50 frames, were also collected to determine crystal decay. The frames were then processed on a SGI-Indy/IndigoII workstation by using SAINT software<sup>49</sup> to give the *hkl* file corrected for Lorentz polarization. The data were corrected for absorption using the SADABS<sup>50</sup> program. The structures were solved by the direct method using the SHELX-90<sup>51</sup> program and refined by least-squares method on *F*<sup>2</sup> using SHELXTL version 5.03.<sup>52</sup> All non-hydrogen atoms were refined anisotropically. The hydrogen atoms were located from the difference electron density maps and refined isotropically. The crystal used for the diffraction study showed no decomposition during data collection.

**Preparation of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> by Fluorination of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> with SbF<sub>3</sub>.** Freshly sublimed SbF<sub>3</sub> (0.472 mol) was added in three portions to 0.506 mol of HN(SO<sub>2</sub>Cl)<sub>2</sub> under an atmosphere of dry nitrogen in a 250-mL, round-bottomed flask equipped with a reflux condenser. After a few minutes, the mixture liquified and was slightly exothermic. After ca. 30 min, the reaction temperature returned to 25 °C, and the mixture was stirred for a total of 4 h. The resulting slurry was distilled repeatedly (five times) at 25 °C/0.01 Torr to ensure complete removal of SbCl<sub>3</sub> which sublimed slowly along with HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub>. The receiver flask was cooled with N<sub>2</sub> (l). The liquid HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> was separated from small amounts of solid SbCl<sub>3</sub>, by removal of the liquid with a glass pipet. The yield of pure HN(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> obtained by this process was 70%. The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>19</sup>F NMR data agreed with the literature values.<sup>25</sup>

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Hz), 114.7 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, tq, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 299.9 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 46.1 Hz); <sup>14</sup>N NMR δ -241; MS (EI) [*m/e* (species, intensity)] 299 (M<sup>+</sup>, 1), 230 (M<sup>+</sup> - CF<sub>3</sub>, 1), 164 [N(SOF)SO<sub>2</sub>F<sup>+</sup>, 9], 119 (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, 100), 83 (SO<sub>2</sub>F<sup>+</sup>, 7), 69 (CF<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, 26), 67 (SOF<sup>+</sup>, 13). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>7</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: N, 4.68. Found: N, 4.59.

**Spectral data for *n*-CF<sub>3</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (8):** IR (gas) 1465 s/1430 s (ν<sub>asSO</sub>), 1356 w, 1333 m, 1248 vs, 1237 s (ν<sub>sSO</sub>), 1161 s, 1099 s, 996 s, 856 m, 822 m, 778 m, 747 m, 720 m, 687 w, 660 w, 564 s, 536 m, 464 w, 403 w cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>19</sup>F NMR δ 61.1 (SF, d, 1F, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>F-F</sub> = 7.3 Hz), 59.8 (SF, m, 1F), -80.9 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, AB system of m, 1F, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>F-F</sub> = 134.9 Hz), -81.0 (CF<sub>3</sub>, t, 3F, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>F-F</sub> = 7.2 Hz), -82.3 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, AB system of m, 1F), -128.6 (CF<sub>2</sub>, s, 2F); <sup>13</sup>C NMR δ 116.5 (CF<sub>3</sub>, qt, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 288.4 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 33.0 Hz), 116.3 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, tt, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 301.6 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 33.7 Hz), 106.1 (CCF<sub>2</sub>C, m); <sup>14</sup>N NMR δ -243; MS (EI) [*m/e* (species, intensity)] 349 (M<sup>+</sup>, 1), 230 (M<sup>+</sup> - C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub>, 4), 228 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2F - SO<sub>2</sub>F, 4), 169 (C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup>, 100), 169 (C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup>, 6), 164 [N(SOF)SO<sub>2</sub>F<sup>+</sup>, 41], 119 (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, 12), 100 (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, 6), 83 (SO<sub>2</sub>F<sup>+</sup>, 8), 69 (CF<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, 71), 67 (SOF<sup>+</sup>, 15). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>9</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: C, 10.32; N, 4.01. Found: C, 9.89; N, 4.08.

**Spectral data for *n*-CF<sub>3</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>2</sub>N(SO<sub>2</sub>F)<sub>2</sub> (9):** IR (gas) 1465 s/1430 s (ν<sub>asSO</sub>), 1305 m, 1256 vs, 1238 s (ν<sub>sSO</sub>), 1154 m, 1134 m, 1106 w, 1076 s, 957 m, 933 m, 917 m, 884 m, 858 m, 821 m, 774 w, 743 m, 688 w, 561 m, 465 w cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>19</sup>F NMR δ 61.1 (SF, d, 1F, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>F-F</sub> = 7.6 Hz), 59.8 (SF, m, 1F), -80.0 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, AB system of m, 1F, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>F-F</sub> = 133.8 Hz), -80.9 (CF<sub>3</sub>, t, 3F, <sup>4</sup>J<sub>F-F</sub> = 8.9 Hz), -81.3 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, AB system of m, 1F), -125.1 (CF<sub>2</sub>, m, 2F), -126.4 (CF<sub>2</sub>, m, 2F); <sup>13</sup>C

NMR δ 116.8 (CF<sub>3</sub>, qt, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 288.4 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 32.4 Hz), 116.5 (CF<sub>2</sub>N, tt, <sup>1</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 302.1 Hz, <sup>2</sup>J<sub>C-F</sub> = 33.3 Hz), 107.9/107.7 (CCF<sub>2</sub>-CF<sub>2</sub>C, m); <sup>14</sup>N NMR δ -241; MS (EI) [*m/e* (species, intensity)] 278 (M<sup>+</sup> - 2F - SO<sub>2</sub>F, 1), 230 (M<sup>+</sup> - C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub>, 1), 219 (C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>9</sub><sup>+</sup>, 40), 169 (C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>7</sub><sup>+</sup>, 6), 164 [N(SOF)SO<sub>2</sub>F<sup>+</sup>, 63], 131 (C<sub>3</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, 48), 119 (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>5</sub><sup>+</sup>, 21), 100 (C<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>, 18), 83 (SO<sub>2</sub>F<sup>+</sup>, 11), 69 (CF<sub>3</sub><sup>+</sup>, 100), 67 (SOF<sup>+</sup>, 26). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>11</sub>NO<sub>4</sub>S<sub>2</sub>: C, 12.03; N, 3.51. Found: C, 12.17; N, 3.58.

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