

very similar to the textbook example.<sup>12</sup> Resonances for the two sets of multiplets of the B<sub>4</sub> fluorine atoms are located at  $\phi$  -92.9 and -96.9. The nine absorptions<sup>13</sup> for the A fluorine atom are centered at  $\phi$  -130.7, -134.5, -135.3, -138.3, -138.8, -139.6, -142.6, -143.3, -146.9. The average  $J \cong 160$  cps for the A fluorine nucleus and  $J = 162$  for the B<sub>4</sub> nuclei.

**Stability of CsPF<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> toward Hydrolysis.**—A saturated DMSO solution of CsPF<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub> was prepared. The solution was combined with an equal volume of water, and the <sup>19</sup>F nmr spectrum of the resulting mixture showed no reaction after 7 hr. Also, there was no reaction within the same length of time when *ca.* 0.1 N HCl solution was substituted for the water.

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## New Preparation of Difluorocarbonyl Chloride, ClC(O)NF<sub>2</sub>

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While ClC(O)NF<sub>2</sub> has been prepared by the reaction of Al<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>6</sub> with FC(O)NF<sub>2</sub>,<sup>1</sup> it may also be obtained by irradiating N<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> and (ClCO)<sub>2</sub> with Pyrex-filtered ultraviolet light.

In a typical run, 12 mmoles of (ClCO)<sub>2</sub> and 18 mmoles of N<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub> were held in a 2-l. glass bulb with a finger containing a medium-pressure, 350-w, water-cooled mercury lamp, and irradiated for 2 days. The flask then contained in decreasing amounts COCl<sub>2</sub>, ClC(O)NF<sub>2</sub>, CO<sub>2</sub>, *cis*-N<sub>2</sub>F<sub>2</sub>, COClF, N<sub>2</sub>F<sub>4</sub>, SiF<sub>4</sub>, HNF<sub>2</sub>, COF<sub>2</sub>, and N<sub>2</sub>O. All known compounds were identified by their characteristic infrared spectra. About 20% of the (ClCO)<sub>2</sub> was converted into ClC(O)NF<sub>2</sub>, which was purified by fractional codistillation.<sup>2</sup>

The average molecular weight of the pure compound obtained from vapor density measurements was 115.3 g/mole (calcd for ClC(O)NF<sub>2</sub>, 115.5).

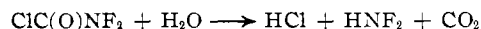
The F<sup>19</sup> nmr spectrum was taken on a Varian Associates high-resolution, 40-Mc nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometer with a Model No. V-4311 fixed-frequency radiofrequency transmitter using 65 mole % CCl<sub>3</sub>F as an internal standard. The spectrum showed a single, broad band at -41.8 ppm. This is close to Shreeve and Fraser's<sup>1</sup> value of -40.4 ppm which employed an external standard.

The infrared spectrum was taken at gas pressures

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ranging from 1 to 100 mm using a Beckman IR10 spectrometer and a Monel cell equipped with silver chloride windows, having a length of 10 cm. The infrared spectrum (in cm<sup>-1</sup>) is: 3629 (vw), 1975 (vw), 1845 (vs), 1800 (s), 1117 (vw), 1071 (m), 947 (s), 910 (vvs), 770 (w, doublet), 645 (m, doublet), 521 (w), 474 (vvw). These values agree to within 5 cm<sup>-1</sup> with those reported by Shreeve and Fraser.<sup>1</sup>

When water vapor was placed in an infrared cell along with difluorocarbonyl chloride the following reaction occurred



All products were identified by their characteristic infrared spectra.

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## A Photochemical Preparation of 1,1,2,2-Tetrachloro-1,2-dimethyldisilane

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While 1,1,2,2-tetrachloro-1,2-dimethyldisilane long has been recognized as a major constituent of the "disilane fraction" produced in the course of the direct synthesis of methylchlorosilanes,<sup>1-3</sup> it so far has not been obtained in a pure state. This apparently is the consequence of the extreme difficulties encountered in attempts to separate the 1,1,2,2-tetrachloro-1,2-dimethyldisilane from 1,1,2-trichloro-1,2,2-trimethyldisilane also present in the "disilane fraction."<sup>4</sup> A procedure involving photochemical chlorination has been suggested as a means of obtaining 1,1,2,2-tetrachloro-1,2-dimethyldisilane in a "reasonably pure" state since 1,1,2-trichloro-1,2,2-trimethyldisilane chlorinates at a faster rate than the other disilane.<sup>5</sup>

We wish to report a simple and convenient means of obtaining this and other symmetrically substituted disilanes in a high degree of purity with no difficult separation problems.

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