

SYNTHESIS AND CHEMISTRY OF HC(SO₂F)₃ AND CIS- AND TRANS(HO)₂TeF₄

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HC(SO₂F)₃ has been prepared and characterized. It turned out to be a strong acid, comparable to mineral acids. In aqueous solution the salts of the type Cs⁺C(SO₂F)₃⁻ are formed. The anion, as found by crystal structure analysis contains planar CS₃ configuration.

Quite in contrast to these findings HC(OSO₂F)₃ is not even soluble in water.

Derivatives of HC(SO₂F)₃ have been prepared so far



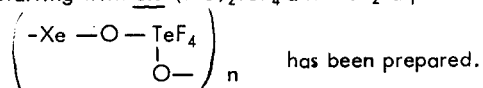
The heavier halogen derivatives (Cl, Br, J) are oxidizing agents ('positive halogen').

A mixture of cis- and trans- (HO)₂TeF₄ is obtained if HOTeF₅ and Te(OH)₆ are melted together. The mixture of the isomers have been transferred into the corresponding silylestere cis- and trans- (R₃SiO)₂TeF₄, which could be separated by fractional crystallisation and distillation.

Without conformational change the pure silylestere have been reacted back to pure cis- (HO)₂TeF₄ and trans- (HO)₂TeF₄ by means of anhydrous HF.

Both cis- and trans- (HO)₂TeF₄ have been reacted with ClF to give cis- and trans- (ClO)₂TeF₄, yellow liquids. The latter react with elemental bromine to the rather unstable cis- and trans- (BrO)TeF₄, red liquids.

Starting with cis-(HO)₂TeF₄ and XeF₂ a polymer Xenon compound of the formula



All materials have been characterized by melting point and vapour pressure, 19F - nmv spectroscopy, vibrational spectroscopy, and elemental analysis.