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## SYNTHESIS OF SOME FLUORO-HYDROCARBONS AND THEIR PERFORMANCE AS SURFACE AGENTS IN A NON-AQUEOUS MEDIUM

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Some fluoro-hydrocarbons having the typical structure  $R_F - R_H$  can be prepared by addition of perfluoroalkyl iodides ( $R_FI$ ) to olefins ( $CH_2 = CH - R_H'$ ) by the method suggested by N.O. Brace [1]:

 $\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{I} + \mathbf{CH}_{2} = \mathbf{CH} - \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{H}}^{\prime} \xrightarrow{} \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{CH}_{2}\mathbf{CH}\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{H}}^{\prime} \xrightarrow{} \mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{F}}\mathbf{CH}_{2}\mathbf{CH}_{2}\mathbf{R}_{\mathbf{H}}^{\prime}.$ 

Starting from the linear perfluoroalkyl iodides  $C_6F_{13}I$  and  $C_8F_{17}I$ , and the linear olefins  $C_8H_{16}$ ,  $C_{12}H_{24}$  and  $C_{16}H_{32}$ , the following compounds were prepared:  $C_6F_{13}C_8H_{17}$ ,  $C_6F_{13}C_{12}H_{25}$ ,  $C_6F_{13}C_{16}H_{33}$ ,  $C_8F_{17}C_8H_{17}$ ,  $C_8F_{17}C_{12}H_{25}$ and  $C_8F_{17}C_{16}H_{33}$ .

These compounds were tested in a liquid paraffin as surface agents; measurements of the surface tension were carried out at various concentrations and temperatures (20 °C, 30 °C and 50 °C). Some of the compounds tested (<u>i.e.</u>,  $C_6F_{1,3}C_{16}H_{3,3}$ ) also at the highest temperature shown a poor solubility in the paraffin used. A remarkable drop of the surface tension values was shown by  $C_8F_{1,7}C_{16}H_{3,3}$  at 20 °C.

Experimental data and surface tension vs concentration diagrams are reported.

1 N.O. Brace, J. Org. Chem., 27 (1962) 3033.