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## INTERNAL FLUOROOLEFINS IN WAGNER REACTION

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Internal fluoroolefins are oxidized by  $\rm KMnO_4$  in mild conditions (acetone-water mixture, -20+0°) without cleavage of C-C bond

It has been shown that conversion of substituted 1,2-difluoroethylenes into  $\alpha$ -diketones is a general reaction and provides a new approach to the synthesis of  $\alpha$ -dicarbonyl compounds by means of substitution of fluorine atoms in tetrafluoroethylene molecule followed by oxidation

 $CF_2 = CF_2$  RLi  $RCF = CF_2$  R'Li RCF = CFR' RMnO<sub>4</sub> RC = CR'II II  $R = R' = C_4H_9, C_6H_5; R = CH_3, R' = C_6H_5.$