IODINE FLUORIDES AND THEIR ORGANO DERIVATIVES

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Principally there are two ways to organo derivatives of iodine fluorides

- a) the oxidative fluorination of alkyl- or aryl-iodides
- b) the substitution of fluoride in iodine fluorides.

Arylbromine(V)tetrafluorides react with alkyl- or aryliodides in organic solvents. For this reaction we found relations between the basicity of the medium and the kind of fluorination products: ${\it RIF}_2$ and ${\it RIF}_4$ or other oxidation products. The conversion of the fluorination reaction strongly depended on medium basicity.

$$R'BrF_4 + RI \longrightarrow RIF_2 + RIF_4 + RI + R'Br$$

In contrast to alkyliodides C_6F_5I was not oxidatively fluorinated when BF_3 was present, but electrophilically arylated under formation of $[(C_6F_5)_2I]^{\dagger}$. The same product was isolated when $i-C_3F_7IF_2$ reacted with $Cd(C_6F_5)_2$ in presence of BF_3 .

Using nucleophilic substitution-reactions ${\rm IF}_5$ and ${\rm IOF}_3$ could be reacted to the corresponding polyvalent aryl-iodine compounds.

Presupposing correct Lewis acidity of the reaction medium ${\rm IF}_5$ itself can be used as specific oxidative fluorinating reagent e.g. for the preparation of acid fluorides.