and 1.6 g of NaH_2PO_4 in 20 mL of water and 5.0 mL (5.2 $\times 10^{-2}$ mol) of 35% H₂O₂, keeping the temperature at 10 °C with water cooling. Oxygen evolved from the solution was monitored until the end of the reaction (about 1 h) with a bubbler connected to the apparatus. A small amount (~0.5 g) of Na_2SO_3 was added to destroy the unreacted HOCl and \tilde{H}_2O_2 . Acidification with 10% aqueous HCl afforded 7.0 g (95%) of cinnamic acid, as crystalline solid, mp 131-133 °C (lit.¹³ mp 133 °C). TLC and GLC analyses revealed not valuable impurities. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 6.41 (d, 1 H), 7.17-7.69 (m, 5 H), 7.73 (d, 1 H). 11.85 (s. 1 H).

Procedure B. It differs from procedure A since a 5:1 molar ratio H_2O_2 -aldehyde is used, and the pH of the medium is lowered to about 2.0 by cautious addition of 37% HCl to the NaH₂PO₄ buffer. The reactions are faster than those of procedure A.

General Oxidation Procedure with NaClO₂-Me₂SO. A solution of 8.0 g (7.0 \times 10⁻² mol) of 79% NaClO₂ (iodometric titration) in 70 mL of H₂O was added dropwise in 2 h at room temperature to a stirred mixture of 6.6 g $(5.0 \times 10^{-2} \text{ mol})$ of cinnamaldehyde in 50 mL of Me₂SO and of 1.6 g of NaH_2PO_4 in 20 mL of water. The mixture was left overnight at room temperature, then 5% aqueous solution of NaHCO₃ was added. The aqueous phase was extracted 3 times with CH₂Cl₂ and acidified with 10 M aqueous HCl, and the precipitated cinnamic acid was collected: 7.0 g (95% yield), mp 130-132 °C. TLC and GLC analyses revealed no appreciable impurity nor contamination from Me₂SO or dimethyl sulphone.

General Oxidation Procedure with NaClO₂- H_2NSO_3H . The general procedure A was followed, but 6.3 g (6.5 \times 10⁻² mol) of sulfamic acid as scavenger dissolved in 60 mL of water and 6.6 g (5 \times 10⁻² mol) of cinnamaldehyde in 50 mL of tert-butyl alcohol was used. After 2 h at room temperature, a crude product was isolated and purified by column chromatography (silica gel; 8:2 ethyl ether-*n*-hexane): 4.4 g (60%) of cinnamic acid, mp 131-133 °C, 1.64 g (25%) of cinnamonitrile, mp 20 °C (lit.¹³ mp 20-21 °C), and 0.1 g (1.2%) of tert-butyl cinnamate, bp 70 °C (0.1 torr) (lit.¹³ bp 140 °C (9 torr)).

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Synthesis of Novel 6H-1,3-Oxazine Derivatives with Perfluoroalkyl Substituents

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Recently, the reactions of perfluoro-2-methylpent-2-ene (1),^{1,2} a dimer of hexafluoropropene, with various nucleophiles such as alcohols, carboxylic acids, amines and thiols (or their conjugate bases) have been investigated,^{3,4} and it has been reported that the reaction proceeded via an apparent nucleophilic substitution reaction.

The reaction of 1 as a 1,3-bidentate electrophile has been studied in recent years and various heterocycles with five-, six-, seven-, and eight-membered rings resulted from the reactions with bidentate nucleophiles such as N,N-dimethylhydrazine,⁵ acylhydrazones,⁶ benzoylacetonitrile, benzoyltrifluoroacetone, acetoacetanilide, catechol, ophenylenediamine, o-aminophenol, and salicylaldehyde.7-9

In the present work, new 6H-1,3-oxazines with perfluoroalkyl substituents (3a–d) were obtained in moderate yields from 2 and 1 in the presence of base.

Results and Discussion

When a tetrahydrofuran (THF) solution of 1 was treated with a THF suspension of the sodium salt of **2a**, a single oxazine was cleanly formed as demonstrated by ¹⁹F NMR. The spectrum of the product showed the presence of only one pentafluoroethyl, one trifluoromethyl, and one difluoromethylene group. However, spectral data did not rule out one of the two possible structures (3a and 4a). To distinguish between these two possibilities, the product was treated with 1,1-dimethylhydrazine.¹⁰ The ¹⁹F NMR spectrum of the resulting compound showed the disappearance of two fluorine atoms from the original product (3a or 4a); a band assigned to carbonyl absorption (1720 cm⁻¹) appeared in the IR spectrum. Furthermore, the mass spectrum of the dimethylhydrazine-treated product displayed a very strong fragment of relative abundance of 69

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at m/z 103, assigned to PhC \equiv N⁺, and a negligible fragment at m/z 105, assigned to PhC \equiv O⁺. While in the original product (**3a** or **4a**), the relative abundance of the PhC \equiv O⁺ fragment was 100 and that of the PhC \equiv N⁺ fragment was 15, sharply representing the transformation of $-OC(C_6H_5)\equiv$ N-moiety to $=NC(C_6H_5)=$ N-. Thus, the structure of the dimethylhydrazine-treated product was assigned as **5a** and the structure of the original product as **3a**, since it may be reasonable to consider that **3a** gives **5a** via the intermediacy of acid fluoride which may be formed by a nucleophilic attack of the hydrazine on the ring-carbon-bearing phenyl group, while **4a** may not give **5a**.

The yield of **3a** varied considerably depending on the reaction conditions. Thus, it was enhanced from 21% to 48% by increasing the sodium hydride from an equimolar amount (1:2a:NaH = 1.0:1.0:1.0) to a four-fold excess (1.0:1.0:4.0) and was further enhanced to 55% by doubling the amount of **2a** (1.0:2.0:3.0). One explanation for this enhancement is that hydrogen fluoride, released during the progress of reaction, would consume 1. Increasing the amount of sodium hydride, would decrease the consumption of 1.

Syntheses of the four benzyl derivatives 3a-d was done without optimization, but an effect of the para substituent on the yield was not observed.

Experimental Section

Melting points and boiling points are uncorrected. ¹H NMR spectra were obtained with a JEOL JNM-PS-100 spectrometer operating at 100 MHz; chemical shifts are reported in parts per million from tetramethylsilane as internal standard with the downfield direction taken as positive. ¹⁹F NMR spectra were obtained with a JEOL JNM-PS-100 spectrometer at 94 MHz; chemical shifts are calculated in parts per million upfield from benzotrifluoride (63.7 ppm) as internal standard. Mass spectra were recorded on a Hitachi RMU-6E spectrometer; *m/z* values are quoted for the lowest isotopic species. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Hitachi 260-10 spectrometer.

Perfluoro-2-methylpent-2-ene (1) was donated by NEOS Co. Ltd., Kobe, Japan, and purified by distillation under atmospheric pressure at 51 °C before use. Benzamides except for pmethylbenzamide were guaranteed grade reagents from commercial sources. p-Methylbenzamide was prepared from p-toluoyl chloride and ammonia gas and purified by recrystallization from water, mp 164-166 °C (lit.¹¹ mp 159.1-160.1, 166 °C).

2-Phenyl-4-(pentafluoroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-6,6difluorooxazine (3a). (Typical procedure for the preparation of oxazines.) Compound 1 (2.48 g, 8.3 mol) in THF (10 mL) was added dropwise to a suspended mixture of 2a (2.0 g, 16.5 mmol) and sodium hydride (0.59 g, 24.6 mmol) in THF (30 mL), in a closed system cooled with an ice-water bath. Then, the solution was stirred at 60 °C over a period of 1 h. Unreacted sodium hydride and other THF-insolubles were removed from the solution by filtration. The solvent of the filtrate was evaporated to give a viscous residue. The crude product was extracted several times with hexane from the residue. The orange hexane extracts were evaporated and Kugelrohr distillation of the residual viscous liquid gave 1.75 g (55%) of a colorless waxy material: bp 70 °C (1 mmHg); mp 36.0-36.5 °C; IR (cm⁻¹) 1140-1280 (br, v_{CF}), 1580 $(\nu_{C=0})$, 1600 (Ph), 1660 $(\nu_{C=N})$; MS, m/z (relative intensity) 381 (M⁺), 105 (PhC=O⁺, 100), 103 (PhC=N⁺, 15), 77 (Ph⁺); ¹H NMR $(CDCl_3, \delta)$ 7.4-7.7 (m, 5 H); ¹⁹F NMR $(CDCl_3, \delta)$ -21.6 (qt, J = 10.9 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F), -8.0 (ttq, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 10.9 Hz, 3 F), 17.8 (m, 3 F), 49.6 (qm, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₅NOF₁₀: C, 40.96; H, 1.32; N, 3.67. Found: C, 40.55; H, 1.41; N, 4.10.

2-(p-Nitrophenyl)-4-(pentafluoroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-6,6-difluorooxazine (3b). The procedure was the same as for **3a**. The solution of the reaction mixture was evaporated to leave a reddish yellow solid, which was recrystallized from hexane to give yellow leaves, in 37% yield: mp 69.5-71.0 °C; MS, m/z (relative intensity) 426 (M⁺), 150 (100); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ) 7.3 (m, 2 H), 8.4 (m, 3 H); ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, δ) -20.0 (qt, J =11.3 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F), -7.6 (ttq, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 11.3 Hz, 3 F), 18.0 (m, 3 F).

Anal. Calcd for $C_{13}H_4N_2O_3F_{10}$: C, 36.64; H, 0.95; N, 6.57. Found: C, 36.82; H, 1.06; N, 6.63.

2-(*p*-Methoxyphenyl)-4-(pentafluoroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-6,6-difluorooxazine (3c): colorless needles; yield 30%; bp 40 °C (3 mmHg); mp 52.0-53.0 °C; MS, m/z 411 (M⁺); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ) 3.9 (s, 3 H), 7.0 (m, 2 H), 8.1 (m, 2 H); ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, δ) -21.0 (qt, J = 11.3 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F), -8.9 (ttq, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 11.3 Hz, 3 F), 18.0 (m, 3 F), 49.4 (qt, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F).

Anal. Calcd for $C_{14}H_7NO_2F_{10}$: C, 40.89; H, 1.72; N, 3.41. Found: C, 40.87; H, 1.77; N, 3.51.

2-(p-Methylphenyl)-4-(pentafluoroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-6,6-difluorooxazine (3d): white waxy material; yield

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21%; mp 44.0-46.0 °C; IR (cm⁻¹) 1640, 1590, 1560, 1140-1270; MS, m/z 395 (M⁺); ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, δ) 2.4 (s, 3 H), 7.3 (m, 2 H), 8.0-8.1 (m, 2 H); ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, δ) -21.4 (qt, J = 11.3 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F), -7.8 (ttq, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 11.3 Hz, 3 F), 18.0 (m, 3 F), 47.3 (qt, J = 18.8 Hz, J = 1.9 Hz, 2 F).

Anal. Calcd for C14H7NOF10: C, 42.55; H, 1.79; N, 3.54. Found: C, 42.39; H, 1.89; N, 3.66.

6-(Pentafluoroethyl)-5-(trifluoromethyl)-2-phenyl-3-(dimethylamino)pyrimidin-4-one (5a). Excess 1,1-dimethylhydrazine was directly added to 3a (0.5 g, 1.3 mmol) dissolved in ether at room temperature and heated to reflux over a period of 2 h. The ether insolubles were removed by filtration and the ether was evaporated from the filtrate to leave a yellow solid. The residue was extracted with hexane to give 0.2 g (25%) of a pale yellow solid: mp 140-142 °C; IR (cm⁻¹) 1140, 1160, 1210, 1240, 1530, 1580, 1720 ($\nu_{C=0}$); MS, m/z (relative intensity) 401 (M⁺), 358 $(M^+ + 1 - N(CH_3)_2, 100)$, 357 $(M^+ - N(CH_3)_2, 67)$, 103 $(PhC = N^+, 69); {}^{1}H NMR (CDCl_3, \delta) 3.0 (s, 6 H), 7.59 (m, 5 H);$ ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, δ) -3.8 (t, J = 19.3 Hz, 3F), 17.0 (m, 3 F), 47.3 (q, J = 19.3 Hz, 2 F).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₁₁N₃OF₈: C, 44.90; H, 2.76; N, 10.47. Found: C, 44.51; H, 2.87; N, 10.85.

2-(Trifluoromethyl)-1,1,1,3,3,4,4,5,5,5-decafluoropentane (6). Compound 6 was isolated as a THF solution by distillation of the reaction mixture of 1 and 2a, at 66 °C under atmospheric pressure, and was characterized from ¹⁹F NMR analysis which corresponded to that reported in literature.¹²

Registry No. 1, 1584-03-8; 2a, 55-21-0; 2b, 619-80-7; 2c, 3424-93-9; 2d, 619-55-6; 3a, 99838-04-7; 3b, 99838-05-8; 3c, 99883-78-0; 3d, 99838-06-9; 5a, 99838-07-0; 6, 30320-28-6; H₂N-N(CH₃)₂, 57-14-7; p-toluoyl chloride, 874-60-2.

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Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Determination of the Site of Acylation of the Tautomeric Nucleophile 4-Thioxopyridine

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The tautomeric nucleophile 4-thioxopyridine (1) and the corresponding disulfide are useful mechanistic tools as electrophile and nucleophile traps, respectively.¹ We recently employed the title compound to elucidate the details of an enzymatic reaction mechanism, and it became imperative to unequivocally assign the site of acylation of this ambident nucleophile. While the ambiguity in the structure assignment was recognized before,^{2,3} those assignments were based solely on UV-vis evidence and excellent chemical intuition. We have synthesized a number of derivatives and are now in a position to make unequivocal assignments based on ¹³C and ¹H NMR spectroscopy. Conditions were found under which the N-acyl (amide) and S-acyl (thiol ester) derivatives could be interconverted reversibly. While most straight chain acyl



 ${}^{a}R = Me$ (a), Et (b), t-Bu (c), Ph (d), PhCH=CH (e), p-ClPhCH=CH (f), MeO (g), PhO (h).

derivatives can exist either as an S- or an N-acvl isomer. the pivaloyl and benzoyl derivatives exist exclusively as the thiol ester.

Results and Discussion

The model compounds employed in our studies are listed in Chart I. Syntheses are discussed in the Experimental Section. Most relevant to our analysis are the ¹³C and ¹H NMR data summarized in Table I. There are three types of structures evident in all these data: the S-acyl thiol ester hydrochloride 4, the S-acyl thiol ester 3, and the N-acyl (amide) compounds 5. All the observed reactions and rearrangements are shown in Scheme I.

Salient features of the structure assignments follow. Reaction of pivaloic anhydride with 1 vielded a colorless liquid 3 [bp 95-100 °C (0.1 torr)] that according to ¹³C NMR comparisons (the tert-butyl methyl and quaternary as well as the carbonyl chemical shifts) with 6c and 7c, exists as the thiol ester. While compound 3c is a liquid $(\lambda_{max} = 250 \text{ nm})$, reaction of 1 with acetic anhydride for 6 h at room temperature produces orange crystals of $5a^2$ $(\lambda_{max} = 375 \text{ nm})$. By contrast reaction of 1 with acetyl chloride in acetone at room temperature produces $4a^3$ (λ_{max} = 276 nm). When a CD_3CN solution of 5a was saturated with HCl gas, it yielded a product that was spectroscopically indistinguishable from 4a. When a 0.5 M solution of 5a dissolved in CD₃CN was incubated in the NMR probe at 22 °C, 5a was converted to 3a with a half-life of about 2 h. In water and in methanol at room temperature, 5a was hydrolyzed (within hours) to 1 according to UV-vis spectroscopic measurements. When compounds 4a,² 4b, 4e, 4f, or $4g^2$ were neutralized with aqueous NaHCO₃ and extracted into ethyl ether, UV spectral features of 3 and 5 as well as of 1 could be observed. Therefore, the interconversion of 3 and 5 for certain R groups can be effected from either direction under certain conditions.

The thiol ester structure for 3a is assigned by comparison of the acetyl methyl and carbonyl ¹³C chemical shifts

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