

Additions of PH_3 to Monosubstituted Alkenes of the Formula $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_x(\text{CF}_2)_y\text{CF}_3$: Convenient, Multigram Syntheses of a Family of Partially Fluorinated Trialkylphosphines with Modulated Electronic Properties and Fluorous Phase Affinities

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Reactions of PH_3 and commercially available $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHR}_f$ ($\text{R}_{f(8/10)} = (\text{CF}_2)_5\text{CF}_3/(\text{CF}_2)_7\text{CF}_3/(\text{CF}_2)_9\text{CF}_3$) give, in two-stage processes conducted with free radical initiators (AIBN, VAZO; 80–90 °C), the phosphines $\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f)_3$ (**1–3**; 63–75%). Analogous reactions with $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{R}_f$ (**7**) and $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f$ (**10**) give $\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f)_3$ (**4**, 73%) and $\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f)_3$ (**5**, 66%), in which the phosphorus is increasingly insulated from the electronegative R_f moiety. The alkenes **7** and **10** are prepared from $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$ and IR_f ($h\nu$, CH_2Cl_2 , 81%) or ICH_2R_f (VAZO, refluxing $\text{CF}_3\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$, 56%). The reaction of **1** and H_2O_2 gives $\text{O}=\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f)_3$ (**6**, 88%), which can be reduced with HSiCl_3 to **1**. Partition coefficients ($\text{CF}_3\text{C}_6\text{F}_{11}$ /toluene, 27 °C) range from 98.8:1.2 (**1**, **4**) through 98.9:1.1 (**5**) to >99.7:<0.3 (**2**, **3**, **6**). Crystals of **4** diffract poorly, but a packing motif that maximizes interactions between R_f segments is evident.

One of the most innovative new approaches to catalysis involves perfluorinated or “fluorous”^{1–3} solvents such as perfluoroalkanes, perfluoroethers, and perfluoroamines. As detailed in a series of articles by Horváth,^{1,2} this protocol exploits the temperature-dependent miscibility of fluorous and organic solvents. Many combinations afford bilayers at room temperature, but one phase at higher temperatures. Accordingly, catalysts that have high affinities for fluorous media offer unique possibilities. As shown in Figure 1, they may react under homogeneous conditions in the high temperature monophasic limit and easily be recovered in the low-temperature biphasic limit. This design element combines the best features of homogeneous and heterogeneous catalysts.^{4a}

To achieve high fluorous phase affinities, Horváth proposed that catalysts be derivatized with “pony tails”—substituents such as $(\text{CH}_2)_x(\text{CF}_2)_y\text{CF}_3$.¹ The perfluoroalkyl or $\text{R}_{f(y+1)}$ segments serve, when of sufficient length and number, a “like dissolves like” function. Furthermore, the $(\text{CH}_2)_x$ “spacer” segments can provide tuning elements. At higher values of x , the reaction center will be insulated from the electron withdrawing $\text{R}_{f(y+1)}$ moieties. At lower values, the Lewis acidity will be enhanced. Phosphines would constitute an obvious testing ground for this concept, since there are a large number of important processes that utilize metal phosphine

complexes as catalysts,^{4b} as well as many reactions catalyzed by phosphines alone.⁵

In separate and collaborative investigations, we and Horváth have shown that rhodium complexes containing the partially fluorinated trialkylphosphine $\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_5\text{CF}_3)_3$ or “ $\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f)_3$ ” (**1**) catalyze a variety of transformations, have high affinities for fluorous media, and can be easily recovered and recycled.^{1,6–8} In this paper, we describe convenient, large scale preparations of **1** and homologues in which the six-carbon perfluoroalkyl segment is lengthened (**2**, R_f ; **3**, $\text{R}_{f(10)}$). We also describe syntheses of homologues in which the $(\text{CH}_2)_2$ spacer segment is lengthened (**4**, $(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{R}_f$; **5**, $(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{R}_f$). The resulting series of phosphines (Chart 1) features gradually modulated donor strengths, as well as fluorous phase affinities. Together, they constitute a valuable “toolkit” for the systematic development of catalytic reactions based upon fluorous trialkylphosphines or their metal complexes.

Other results reported below include (1) the synthesis and reduction of the fluorous phosphine oxide $\text{O}=\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_f)_3$ (**6**), (2) partition coefficients that quantify the affinities of **1–6** for fluorous media, and (3) partial crystallographic data for **4**. Additional syntheses of **1** have been described by other investigators,⁹ and alternative routes to fluorous trialkylphosphines developed in our laboratory will be detailed separately.¹⁰ Metal trialkylphosphine catalysts that feature one pony tail per

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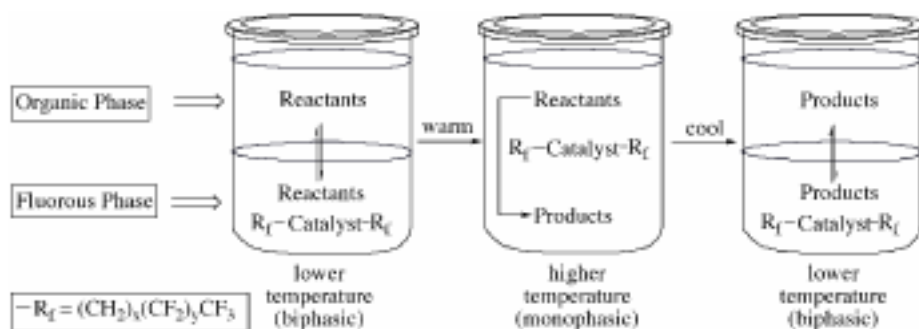


Figure 1. One possibility for catalysis with fluororous solvents.

Chart 1. Summary of Abbreviations

Compound	Abbreviation
$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_5\text{CF}_3)_3$	$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{f6})_3$ (1)
$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_7\text{CF}_3)_3$	$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{f8})_3$ (2)
$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_9\text{CF}_3)_3$	$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{f10})_3$ (3)
$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_7\text{CF}_3)_3$	$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{f8})_3$ (4)
$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_7\text{CF}_3)_3$	$\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{f8})_3$ (5)
$\text{O}=\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2(\text{CF}_2)_5\text{CF}_3)_3$	$\text{O}=\text{P}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{f6})_3$ (6)
	AIBN
	VAZO

aryl ring have also recently been reported,¹¹ as well as a number of fluororous catalysts that are not phosphine based.¹²

Results

1. Reactions of PH₃ and H₂C=CHR_f. Free radical chain additions of phosphorus–hydrogen bonds to alkenes are well-known.¹³ Since many alkenes of the formula H₂C=CHR_f are commercially available, this represents an obvious approach to the title compounds. Indeed, a preliminary study of the reaction of PH₃ gas¹⁴ and H₂C=CHR_{f6} was found to give the fluororous phosphine **1** in 26% yield.^{1a} The synthesis was conducted at 100 °C in an autoclave in the presence of the initiator AIBN (Chart 1). Small amounts of primary and secondary phosphine byproducts, PH₂(CH₂CH₂R_{f6}) and PH(CH₂CH₂R_{f6})₂, were removed by a second AIBN charge.

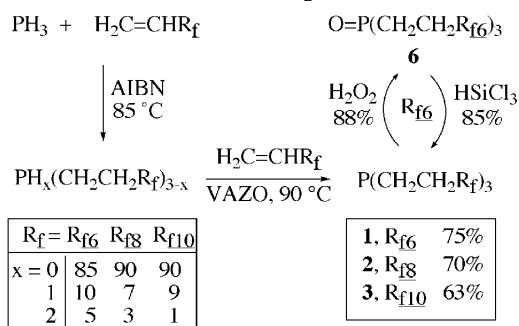
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Scheme 1. Syntheses of Fluororous Phosphines with (CH₂)₂ Spacers



This lead was adapted to the syntheses summarized in Scheme 1. Key design considerations were as follows: (1) a PH₃/H₂C=CHR_f stoichiometry of approximately 1:3 was employed, (2) temperatures of 80–85 °C were used to moderate the rate of AIBN decomposition,¹⁵ (3) the initial mixture of primary, secondary, and tertiary phosphines was treated with a second alkene charge (4–20% of the first charge) and the less reactive initiator VAZO.¹⁵ It was thought that slower initiation rates might minimize any independent polymerization of the alkene, which is at higher concentration than PH₃ after the first charge and may be in excess over phosphorus–hydrogen bonds after the second charge.

Gratifyingly, analytically pure 4–8 g quantities of the CH₂CH₂R_{f6}, CH₂CH₂R_{f8}, and CH₂CH₂R_{f10} substituted phosphines **1–3** could be isolated in 63–75% yields based upon the total alkene utilized. Since **1–3** constitute 85–90% of the crude phosphine products after the first alkene charge, comparable yields might be possible at that stage. However, complicated or tedious workups would likely be required. The phosphines **1–3** showed progressive increases in melting points (liquid, 47–48 °C, 102–103 °C) and decreases in CF₃C₆F₁₁ solubilities. No other phase transitions were evident by DSC. Needles of **2** could be grown from CF₃C₆H₅/toluene, but were unfortunately too thin for crystallography. All compounds survived vacuum distillation, and mass spectra (EI) exhibited intense molecular ions.

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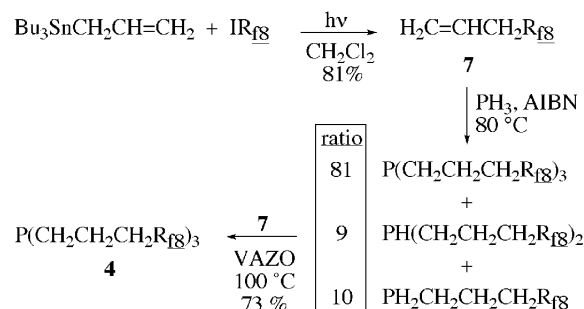
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The NMR properties of **1–3** were similar, with little variation due to the lengths of the R_f segments (e.g., $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$, $\delta -25.5$ to -25.4 , $\text{CF}_3\text{C}_6\text{F}_{11}$). The $^{13}\text{C}\{^1\text{H}\}$ spectra showed PCH_2 signals that were coupled to phosphorus but not, within detection limits, to fluorine ($\delta 16.5$ – 16.4 , $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 16$ – 17 Hz, $w_{1/2} = 8.0$ – 8.6 Hz). The $\text{PCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{-CF}_2$ signals were downfield ($\delta 27.6$ – 27.4 , $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 20$ – 21 Hz; $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 23$ – 24 Hz) and strongly coupled to both phosphorus and fluorine. The ^{31}P NMR signals of the primary and secondary phosphine byproducts (Scheme 1) showed the expected multiplicities and chemical shift trends.¹⁶ To ensure accurate ratios, T_1 measurements were made and appropriate spectral parameters utilized.¹⁶

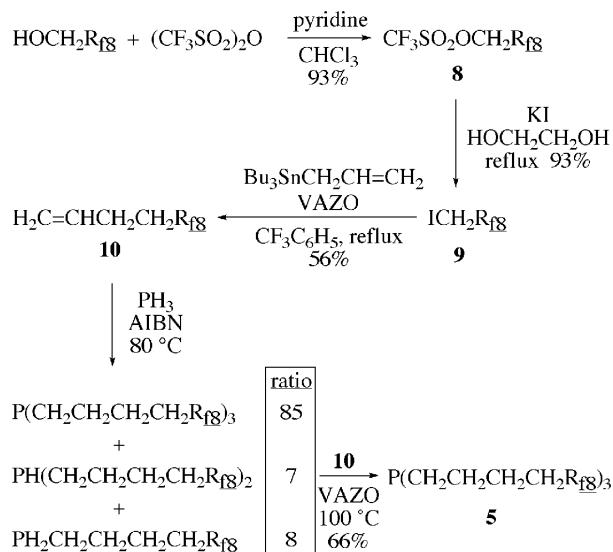
2. Syntheses and Reactions of $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_x\text{-R}_{\text{f}}$. Tri(*n*-octyl)phosphine contains the same number of carbon atoms as **1**, but lacks fluorine atoms. Thus, it constitutes a valuable reference. Iridium carbonyl derivatives, *trans*-Ir(CI)(CO)(L)₂, of both phosphines have been characterized.¹⁷ The IR $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{O}}$ value is significantly higher for the adduct of **1** (1975 vs 1942 cm^{-1}). Hence, the $(\text{CH}_2)_2$ spacers do not completely insulate the iridium from the electron-withdrawing R_{f} groups. Accordingly, we sought to extend the preceding syntheses to phosphines with longer $(\text{CH}_2)_x$ segments. This in turn requires alkenes with CH_2 groups between the vinyl and R_f moieties.

Such alkenes do not appear to be commercially available. However, free radical chain additions of perfluoroalkyl iodides (IR_f) to alkenes are well-known.¹⁸ Furthermore, allyl stannanes are frequently used to effect free radical chain allylations.¹⁹ It has been reported that ICF_3 and IR_{f} react with the allyl stannane $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnCH}_2\text{-CH}=\text{CH}_2$ in the presence of a palladium(0) initiator to give alkenes of the formula $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{R}_f$.²⁰ Accordingly, IR_{f} and $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnCH}_2\text{-CH}=\text{CH}_2$ were photolyzed as shown in Scheme 2. Workup gave $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (**7**), which has been prepared previously by different routes,²¹ in 81% yield on a 12–13 g scale. Then PH_3 and **7** were

Scheme 2. Synthesis of a Fluorous Phosphine with $(\text{CH}_2)_3$ Spacers



Scheme 3. Synthesis of a Fluorous Phosphine with $(\text{CH}_2)_4$ Spacers



reacted in a sequence similar to those in Scheme 1. The phosphine **4**, which features $(\text{CH}_2)_3$ spacer segments, was isolated as an analytically pure white powder in 73% yield on a 4–5 g scale.

A phosphine with still longer spacer segments was sought. Accordingly, the commercially available alcohol $\text{HOCH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ was converted to the corresponding triflate **8** in 93% yield as shown in Scheme 3.²² The modest electrophilicity of **8** as compared to other triflates was evidenced by its stability to an aqueous workup. Reaction of **8** and KI in refluxing $\text{HOCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ gave the iodide $\text{ICH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (**9**) in 93% yield on a 25 g scale. A thermal reaction with $\text{Bu}_3\text{SnCH}_2\text{-CH}=\text{CH}_2$, using VAZO as the initiator, afforded the alkene $\text{H}_2\text{C}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (**10**)²³ in 56% yield on a 5 g scale. Then PH_3 and **10** were reacted in a sequence similar to those in Scheme 1. The phosphine **5**, which features $(\text{CH}_2)_4$ spacer segments, was isolated as an analytically pure white powder in 66% yield on a 4 g scale.

The phosphines **4** and **5** were characterized identically to **1–3** above. Together with **2**, they define another homologous series $(\text{CH}_2)_x\text{R}_{\text{f}}$, $x = 2, 3, 4$. They became more air sensitive as x increases, consistent with an attenuated electron-withdrawing effect of the R_{f} group. However, the melting points did not follow an obvious

(16) (a) The following T_1 values were measured with standard software: **5**, $T_1 = 1.66 \pm 0.01$ s; $\text{PH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}})_2$, $T_1 = 1.47 \pm 0.04$ s; $\text{PH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$, $T_1 = 2.94 \pm 0.07$ s. Accordingly, phosphine ratios were determined using a 45° pulse width, a 10 s relaxation delay, and a 1.6 s acquisition time. Data for experiments in Schemes 1–3 follow. (b) **1** (85.2%, $\delta -25.5$), $\text{PH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}})_2$ (9.6%, $\delta -67.0$, d, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 198$ Hz), $\text{PH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (5.2%, $\delta -140.8$, t, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 190$ Hz). (c) **2** (89.7%, $\delta -25.4$), $\text{PH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}})_2$ (7.4%, $\delta -67.1$, d, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 200$ Hz), $\text{PH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (2.9%, $\delta -141.0$, t, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 192$ Hz). (d) **3** (90.4%, $\delta -25.5$), $\text{PH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}})_2$ (8.7%, $\delta -67.1$, d, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 199$ Hz), $\text{PH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (0.9%, $\delta -141.0$, t, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 193$ Hz). (e) **4** (80.9%, $\delta -34.8$), $\text{PH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}})_2$ (9.1%, $\delta -73.4$, d, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 193$ Hz), $\text{PH}_2\text{-CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (10.0%, $\delta -145.5$, t, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 190$ Hz). (f) **5** (85.1%, $\delta -32.8$), $\text{PH}(\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}})_2$ (6.8%, $\delta -70.9$, d, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 194$ Hz), $\text{PH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{R}_{\text{f}}$ (8.1%, $\delta -140.8$, t, $^1J_{\text{HP}} = 190$ Hz).

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Figure 2. Packing diagram for P(CH₂CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃)₃ (**4**).

trend (47–48 °C, 71.5–72.5 °C, 44.5–45.0 °C). No other phase transitions were evident by DSC. The solubilities in toluene progressively increased (**2**, sparingly soluble near reflux; **5**, very soluble at room temperature). Surprisingly, the ³¹P NMR chemical shifts did not exhibit a monotonic trend (δ –25.5, –34.8, –32.8). The ¹³C NMR signals of the CH₂ groups were assigned from the J_{CP} , $^1J_{CH}$, and J_{CF} values (Experimental Section) and shifted downfield with increasing proximity to the R_{lg} moiety.

3. Other Reactions or Characterization. As we studied the preceding phosphines and their metal complexes, decomposition products believed to be phosphine oxides were sometimes observed. Accordingly, an authentic sample was sought. As shown in Scheme 1, **1** was treated with H₂O₂, which is often used to convert phosphines to phosphine oxides.^{24a} Workup gave the expected product O=P(CH₂CH₂R_{lg})₃ (**6**) in 88% yield as an analytically pure white powder. Consistent with literature precedent, the ³¹P NMR chemical shift was downfield of that of **1** (δ 41.2 vs –25.5). The CH₂ ¹³C NMR signals exhibited chemical shifts and J_{CF} values comparable to those of **1**, but J_{CP} values that were much different (δ 19.3, d, $^1J_{PC}$ = 68 Hz; 24.2, t, $^2J_{CF}$ = 24 Hz).

We also sought methods for the reduction of fluororous phosphine oxides. Following an established protocol,^{24b,25} **6** and excess HSiCl₃ were reacted at 48 °C. As shown in Scheme 1, workup gave **1** in 85% yield. However, NMR analysis of the crude product showed traces of PH(CH₂-

CH₂R_{lg})₂ that were not in the original sample, as well as other unidentified species.

When hot toluene solutions of **4** were stored at 27 °C, single crystals formed. Although they diffracted poorly, data sets were collected using CCD detectors. These could not be refined to suitable levels for bond length and angle analyses. However, the packing motif was also of interest, and a diagram is provided in Figure 2 (key data, –75 °C: $P2_1/n$, $Z = 4$, unit cell ca. 23.06 × 6.46 × 32.49 Å). Although each phosphorus is pyramidal, from one perspective the three pony tails define a T-shape. When viewed from the plane of the “T”, infinite stacks are evident. The horizontal part of each “T” defines a “raft”. These pack back-to-back (“T” under “⊥”) along an orthogonal axis. Along the remaining axis, there are parallel contacts between the vertical stems of “T”+“⊥” pairs. Hence, **4** packs in a manner that maximizes fluororous contacts in every dimension.

Finally, CF₃C₆F₁₁/toluene partition coefficients for **1–6** were carefully measured by GLC as described in the Experimental Section. Data are summarized in Table 1. Interestingly, a small amount of **1** can reproducibly be detected in the toluene phase. However, the higher homologues **2** and **3** do not detectably partition into the toluene phase. Importantly, integrations of solvent impurity peaks indicate that amounts less than 0.3% might not be detected. Other trends are analyzed below.

Discussion

There is now an extensive literature on fluorinated phosphines.²⁶ However, most examples feature *perfluoro-*

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Table 1. Partition Coefficients (27 °C)^a

analyte	CF ₃ C ₆ F ₁₁ /toluene
P(CH ₂ CH ₂ R ₁₆) ₃ (1)	98.8:1.2 ^b
P(CH ₂ CH ₂ R ₁₀) ₃ (2)	>99.7:<0.3
P(CH ₂ CH ₂ R ₁₀) ₃ (3)	>99.7:<0.3
P(CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ R ₁₆) ₃ (4)	98.8:1.2 ^c
P(CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ CH ₂ R ₁₆) ₃ (5)	98.9:1.1 ^d
O=P(CH ₂ CH ₂ R ₁₆) ₃ (6)	>99.7:<0.3

^a Derived from the average of 3–11 GLC injections as described in the Experimental Section. All ratios were confirmed by a second independent determination (agreement to ±0.1). ^b 98.8(0.5):1.2(0.5). ^c 98.8(0.4):1.2(0.4). ^d 98.9(0.3):1.1(0.3).

roalkyl or *per*fluoroaryl substituents. Although some of these may possess appreciable affinities for fluoros media, they were usually prepared in conjunction with programs directed at new highly π acidic ligands. As such, they should be poor substitutes for the good donor phosphines employed in most metal-catalyzed reactions. Nonetheless, they may be useful as replacements for π acidic carbon monoxide ligands, thus affording fluoros derivatives of metal carbonyl catalysts.

To our knowledge, trialkylphosphines of the formula P((CH₂)_x(CF₂)₇CF₃)₃ are unknown prior to this work. Other syntheses of **1**, or derivatives thereof, have been described previously.⁹ The first preparation, reported in 1985 but often overlooked in citation lists and literature surveys, utilized PCl₃ and the fluoros iodozinc reagent IZnCH₂CH₂R₁₆.^{9a} While our work was in progress, Knochel found that the reaction of PCl₃ with the dialkyl zinc reagent Zn(CH₂CH₂R₁₆)₂ and then BH₃·SMe₂ gives the borane adduct **1**·BH₃ in 75% yield.^{9b} Finally, the reaction of PCl₃ with the Grignard reagent IMgCH₂CH₂R₁₆ has been reported to give **1** in 50% yield.^{9c}

These routes avoid the hazards associated with PH₃.¹⁴ On the other hand, the generation of the fluoros zinc or Grignard reagents requires the iodide ICH₂CH₂R₁₆⁹ or an organoborane derived from the alkene H₂C=CHR₁₆.^{9b} Our procedures are more direct and superior from the standpoint of atom economy. We also spent considerable effort trying to prepare **4** and **5** from PCl₃ and the corresponding Grignard or alkyllithium reagents.¹⁰ However, success was limited.

Nolan has probed the steric and electronic properties of **1** calorimetrically.²⁷ Experiments with [Rh(CO)₂Cl]₂ show that **1** is a poorer donor than P(CH₂CH₃)₃, and a comparable donor to P(C₆H₅)(CH₃)₂. This indicates, consistent with other data above, that the (CH₂)₂ spacers do not completely insulate the phosphorus from the R₁₆ groups. Experiments with (η^5 -C₅R₅)Ru(COD)(Cl) (R = H, CH₃) suggest a cone angle of 130° ± 4°, close to that of P(CH₂CH₃)₃ (132°). We anticipate that **1–5** will be comparable sterically, and that **1–3** will be comparable electronically. However, as evidenced by the trend in air sensitivity, **4** and **5** are progressively more electron releasing.

To our knowledge, only a few partition coefficients involving organic compounds and fluoros and organic phases have been measured.^{7,28} The data in Table 1 reveal high fluoros phase affinities and several conspicuous trends. First, as the lengths of the R_f segments increase in the series **1–3**, the partition coefficients

increase from 98.8:1.2 to >99.7:<0.3. This illustrates the applicability of the “like dissolves like” paradigm, and the possibilities for rational design. The actual coefficients for **2** and **3** may be higher, but the amounts remaining in the organic phase are subject to detection limits as described above.

However, it should be emphasized that the *absolute* solubilities of **1–3** in CF₃C₆F₁₁ progressively decrease. We find similar phenomena with non-phosphorus-containing fluoros compounds. Since the partition coefficients or *relative* CF₃C₆F₁₁/toluene solubilities increase in the series **1–3**, there must be an even steeper decrease in toluene solubilities. Such solubility decreases are common as molecules approach macromolecular limits. Another noteworthy trend involves **2**, **4**, and **5**. As the (CH₂)_x spacer segment is lengthened, detectable quantities of the phosphine are again found in the nonfluoros phase. These compounds also exhibit a marked accompanying increase of absolute solubilities in toluene. Interestingly, the phosphine oxide **6** has a higher partition coefficient than the corresponding phosphine **1**.

The partition coefficients of **1**, **4**, and **5** are sufficiently high that they could be viewed as “immobilized” with respect to many laboratory applications. However, they would slowly leach under some conditions and not meet the most rigorous industrial end-use criteria. In this regard, we believe it is essential for researchers developing fluoros catalysts or reagents to report careful partition coefficient measurements. As noted above, fluoros attributes have been claimed for triarylphosphines in which each aryl group bears a single pony tail.¹¹ However, arylphosphine substituents should, relative to the alkyl substituents **1–3**, significantly enhance organic phase affinities.

In summary, we have developed convenient large scale syntheses of a family of approximately isosteric fluoros trialkylphosphines, P((CH₂)_x(CF₂)₇CF₃)₃, which feature modulated electronic properties and fluoros phase affinities. Syntheses of additional types of fluoros phosphines, as well as further applications in catalysis, will be reported soon.

Experimental Section

General. All reactions and workups were conducted under inert atmospheres unless noted. Solvents were employed as follows: CF₃C₆F₁₁, CF₃C₆H₅, CHCl₃, distilled from P₂O₅; CH₂Cl₂, distilled from CaH₂; toluene, hexanes, benzene, ether, distilled from Na/benzophenone; pyridine, distilled from Na; ethylene glycol, dried over MgSO₄ (24 h); C₆D₆, CDCl₃ (Cambridge Isotope Laboratories), used as received. Reagents were utilized as follows: PH₃ (Scott Specialty Gases),¹⁴ used as received; H₂C=CH(CF₂)₅CF₃, H₂C=CH(CF₂)₇CF₃, H₂C=CH(CF₂)₉CF₃ (Oakwood/Fluorochem), freeze–pump–thaw degassed (5×); ICF₂(CF₂)₆CF₃ (PCR), used as received; HOCH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ (PCR), dried over MgSO₄; Bu₃SnCH₂CH=CH₂, AIBN, VAZO, H₂O₂ (Aldrich), used as received; (CF₃SO₂)₂O (Aldrich), distilled from P₂O₅; KI, dried over P₂O₅ (100 °C, drying pistol, 24 h); HSiCl₃ (ROC/RIC), vacuum transferred. Silica gel (Merck, grade 9385, 230–400 mesh) was dried under vacuum (3 × 10⁻³ mmHg, 180 °C, 24 h). Instrumental data and NMR spectra with resonance assignments are provided as Supporting Information.

P(CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₅CF₃)₃ (1**).** A test tube (80 × 150 mm) was charged with H₂C=CH(CF₂)₅CF₃ (6.902 g, 19.94 mmol), AIBN

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(0.302 g, 1.84 mmol, 9 mol %), and a Teflon stir bar and placed in a tube-shaped stainless steel bomb (30 cm³ volume). The bomb was sealed and connected to a PH₃ tank. The assembly was evacuated and filled with N₂ (3×), and evacuated and pressurized with PH₃ (75 psi, ca. 6.3 mmol).^{14,29} The bomb was partially immersed in an oil bath (80–85 °C), and the contents were stirred. Every 4 h, the bomb was repressurized from 45–60 psi to 75 psi (ca. 2 mmol). After 22 h, the bomb was vented, purged with N₂ (1 h), transferred into a glovebox, and opened. An aliquot of the dark orange viscous oil was dissolved in CF₃C₆F₁₁. A ³¹P NMR spectrum showed a mixture of PH₃-*n*-(CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₅CF₃)_{*n*} (Scheme 1).^{16b} A ¹H NMR spectrum showed traces of alkene. Then CF₃C₆H₅ (5 mL), VAZO (0.255 g, 1.04 mmol), and H₂C=CH(CF₂)₅CF₃ (1.00 g, 2.89 mmol) were added to the oil. The mixture was kept in a Schlenk flask at 90 °C for 24 h, and darkened. The solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum to give a white solid suspended in orange liquid. Then CF₃C₆F₁₁ (20 mL) and toluene (20 mL) were added. The layers were separated. Volatiles were removed from the CF₃C₆F₁₁ layer by oil pump vacuum. The light orange liquid was distilled (150 °C, 0.050 mmHg, bulb-to-bulb) to give **1** as a colorless liquid (6.12 g, 5.71 mmol, 75% based upon total alkene). Anal. Calcd for C₂₄H₁₂F₃₉P: C, 26.87; H, 1.12. Found: C, 26.71; H, 1.10.

¹H NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) 1.67 (m, 6H), 2.15 (m, 6H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁, partial) 16.5 (d, ¹J_{PC} = 16 Hz), 27.6 (dt, ²J_{PC} = 20 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 23 Hz); ³¹P{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) -25.5 (s). MS (EI, direct inlet probe, *m/z* > 724) 1072 (M⁺, 100), 1053 (M⁺ - F, 70), 1003 (M⁺ - CF₃, 2), 953 (M⁺ - CF₂CF₃, 2), 903 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₂CF₃, 5), 853 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₃CF₃, 4), 803 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₄CF₃, 2), 753 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₅CF₃, 1), 739 (M⁺ - CH₂(CF₂)₅CF₃, 15), 725 (M⁺ - (CH₂)₂(CF₂)₅CF₃, 2).

P(CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃)₃ (2). A bomb was charged with H₂C=CH(CF₂)₇CF₃ (10.02 g, 22.46 mmol), AIBN (0.270 g, 1.64 mmol, 7 mol %), and PH₃ (75 psi, ca. 5.9 mmol)^{14,29} in a procedure analogous to that for **1**. After 16 h, the bomb was vented, purged, opened, and analyzed by ³¹P NMR^{16c} as before. Then CF₃C₆H₅ (20 mL), VAZO (0.225 g, 0.921 mmol), and H₂C=CH(CF₂)₇CF₃ (1.00 g, 2.24 mmol) were added. The slightly yellow mixture was kept in a Schlenk flask at 90 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum to give a white solid. Then CF₃C₆F₁₁ (20 mL) and toluene (20 mL) were added. The layers were separated. Volatiles were removed from the CF₃C₆F₁₁ layer by oil pump vacuum. The light yellow solid was dissolved in CF₃C₆H₅ (ca. 50 mL) and toluene (ca. 40 mL) was added. The sample was cooled to -20 °C. A tan solid precipitated, which was collected by filtration, distilled (175 °C, 5 × 10⁻⁵ mmHg, bulb-to-bulb), and dissolved in CF₃C₆H₅ (10 mL). The solution was filtered through a silica gel column (2 × 10 cm), which was rinsed with CF₃C₆H₅ (100 mL). The solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum to give **2** as a white solid (7.88 g, 5.74 mmol, 70% based upon total alkene), mp 47–48 °C (capillary), 47.5 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₃₀H₁₂F₅₁P: C, 26.25; H, 0.88. Found: C, 26.28; H, 0.93.

¹H NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) 1.67 (m, 6H), 2.16 (m, 6H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁, partial) 16.5 (d, ¹J_{PC} = 17 Hz), 27.6 (dt, ²J_{PC} = 21 Hz, ²J_{CF} = 24 Hz); ³¹P{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) -25.4 (s). MS (EI, direct inlet probe, *m/z* > 924) 1372 (M⁺, 100), 1353 (M⁺ - F, 70), 1303 (M⁺ - CF₃, 2), 1253 (M⁺ - CF₂CF₃, 3), 1203 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₂CF₃, 5), 1153 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₃CF₃, 3), 1103 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₄CF₃, 2), 1053 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₅CF₃, 1), 1003 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₆CF₃, 4), 953 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₇CF₃, 6), 939 (M⁺ - CH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃, 15), 926 (M⁺ - (CH₂)₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ + H, 9), 925 (M⁺ - (CH₂)₂(CF₂)₇CF₃, 1).

(29) The approximate initial amount of PH₃ was calculated as follows. The alkene volume (6.90 g ÷ 1.52 g/mL = 4.54 mL in the preparation of **1**) and the stirring bar volume (0.4 mL) were subtracted from the autoclave volume (30 mL), and the difference utilized in the inert gas equation, *n* = PV/RT (*T* = 298 K; 75 psi gauge reading = 5.1 atm above ambient pressure, or 6.1 atm total).

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P(CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₉CF₃)₃ (3). A bomb was charged with H₂C=CH(CF₂)₉CF₃ (6.04 g, 11.1 mmol), AIBN (0.200 g, 1.22 mmol, 11 mol %), and PH₃ (75 psi, ca. 6.5 mmol)^{14,29} in a procedure analogous to that for **1**. After 12 h, the bomb was repressurized to 75 psi (ca. 4.0 mmol). After an additional 12 h, the bomb was vented, purged, opened, and analyzed by ³¹P NMR^{16d} as before. Then CF₃C₆H₅ (5 mL), VAZO (0.10 g, 0.41 mmol), and H₂C=CH(CF₂)₉CF₃ (0.262 g, 0.480 mmol) were added. The mixture was kept in a Schlenk flask at 90 °C for 2 h. The solvent was removed by oil pump vacuum and the residue continuously extracted with benzene in a Soxhlet apparatus. After 24 h, **3** was collected from the thimble as a white solid and dried by oil pump vacuum (4.05 g, 2.42 mmol, 63% based upon total alkene), mp 102–103 °C (capillary), 100.8 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₃₆H₁₂F₆₃P: C, 25.84; H, 0.72. Found: C, 25.64; H, 0.78.

¹H NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) 1.67 (m, 6H), 2.13 (m, 6H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁, partial) 16.4 (m), 27.4 (m); ³¹P{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) -25.5 (s). MS (EI, direct inlet probe, *m/z* > 1224) 1672 (M⁺, 100), 1653 (M⁺ - F, 84), 1603 (M⁺ - CF₃, 2), 1553 (M⁺ - CF₂CF₃, 4), 1503 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₂CF₃, 7), 1453 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₃CF₃, 7), 1403 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₄CF₃, 7), 1353 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₅CF₃, 5), 1303 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₆CF₃, 3), 1253 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₇CF₃, 2), 1203 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₈CF₃, 6), 1153 (M⁺ - (CF₂)₉CF₃, 10), 1139 (M⁺ - CH₂(CF₂)₉CF₃, 23), 1126 (M⁺ - (CH₂)₂(CF₂)₉CF₃ + H, 15), 1125 (M⁺ - (CH₂)₂(CF₂)₉CF₃, 3).

O=P(CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₅CF₃)₃ (6). A 1 dram vial was charged with **1** (0.773 g, 0.721 mmol), CF₃C₆H₅ (2 mL), and aqueous H₂O₂ (0.5 mL, 30% w/w, ca. 4 mmol). The mixture was shaken vigorously (2 min) and allowed to settle (15 min). A ³¹P NMR spectrum of the lower CF₃C₆H₅ layer showed **6** and a byproduct (δ 43.5, 53.1; 98:2). Water (2 mL) was added, and the layers were separated (aerobic workup). The aqueous layer was washed with CF₃C₆H₅ (2 mL). The CF₃C₆H₅ layers were combined and dried over MgSO₄. The solution was concentrated (ca. 0.5 mL) and stored at -20 °C. After 24 h, the resulting white powder was collected by filtration and dried by oil pump vacuum to give **6** (0.689 g, 0.633 mmol, 88%), mp 52–56 °C (capillary), 53.5 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₂₄H₁₂F₃₉PO: C, 26.48; H, 1.11. Found: C, 26.61; H, 1.05.

¹H NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) 2.13 (m, 6H), 2.45 (m, 6H); ¹³C{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁, partial) 19.3 (d, ¹J_{PC} = 68 Hz), 24.2 (t, ²J_{CF} = 24 Hz, *w*_{1/2} = 8 Hz, and ²J_{PC} < 4 Hz); ³¹P{¹H} NMR (δ, CF₃C₆F₁₁) 41.2 (s). MS (FAB, *m/z*) 1089 (M⁺ + 1, 100).

Reduction of 6. A Schlenk flask was charged with **6** (0.452 g, 0.415 mmol), CF₃C₆H₅ (5 mL), HSiCl₃ (2.30 g, 17.0 mmol), and N₂ gas, sealed, and placed in a 48 °C oil bath. After 4 h, a ³¹P NMR spectrum showed **6** to be 90% consumed. After an additional 1 h, volatiles were removed by oil pump vacuum, and CF₃C₆F₁₁ (5 mL) and toluene (5 mL) were added to the colorless oily residue. The layers were separated. The solvent was removed from the CF₃C₆F₁₁ layer by oil pump vacuum to give a colorless oil (0.430 g) that was distilled (100 °C, 8 × 10⁻⁵ mmHg, bulb-to-bulb) to give 0.383 g of a colorless liquid. A ³¹P NMR spectrum showed a mixture of **1** (96%), **6** (1%), PH(CH₂CH₂R₁₀)₂ (2%),^{16b} and two unidentified species (δ 103.4, 29.2; 1%, 1%). The liquid was dissolved in CF₃C₆H₅. The solution was filtered through a silica gel plug (2 × 1 cm), which was rinsed with CF₃C₆H₅. The solvent was removed from the filtrate by oil pump vacuum to give **1** as a colorless liquid (0.377 g, 0.352 mmol, 85%, >97% purity by ³¹P NMR).

H₂C=CHCH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ (7).²¹ A Schlenk flask was charged with ICF₂(CF₂)₆CF₃ (18.722 g, 34.291 mmol), Bu₃SnCH₂CH=CH₂ (17.0 mL, 54.8 mmol), and CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL). The solution was photolyzed (Rayonet model RMA-400; R.P.R. 2537 Å lamps). After 1 h, CH₂Cl₂ (20 mL) was added (aerobic workup). The biphasic mixture was extracted with CF₃C₆F₁₁ (2 × 10 mL). The solvent was removed from the extracts by rotary evaporation and the residue distilled (77–80 °C, 20 mmHg) to give **7** as a colorless liquid (12.825 g, 27.872 mmol, 81%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₅F₁₇: C, 28.71; H, 1.10. Found: C, 28.71; H, 1.16.

¹H NMR (δ, CDCl₃) 5.81 (ddt, ³J_{HH} = 17, 11, 7 Hz), 5.35 (dm, ³J_{HH} = 11 Hz), 5.33 (dm, ³J_{HH} = 17 Hz), 2.85 (dtm, ³J_{HH} = 7 Hz, ³J_{HF} = 18 Hz); ¹³C NMR (δ, CDCl₃, partial) 125.4 (d,

$^1J_{\text{CH}} = 158$ Hz), 122.6 (t, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 160$ Hz), 36.1 (td, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 130$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (δ , CDCl_3) -81.5 (t, $J_{\text{FF}} = 8$ Hz, CF_3), -113.8 (pseudopentet, 2F), -122.4 (m, 6F), -123.3 (m, 2F), -123.6 (m, 2F), -126.8 (m, 2F). IR (cm^{-1} , CHCl_3) $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{C}}$ 1649 cm^{-1} .

P(CH₂CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃)₃ (4). A bomb was charged with **7** (5.021 g, 10.91 mmol), AIBN (0.183 g, 1.14 mmol, 10 mol %), and PH₃ (100 psi); pressure maintained throughout reaction¹⁴ in a procedure similar to that for **1**. After 4 h, the bomb was vented, purged, opened, and analyzed by ^{31}P NMR^{16e} as before. Then VAZO (0.027 g, 0.11 mmol) and **7** (1.020 g, 2.217 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 12 h and dissolved in CF₃C₆H₅ (10 mL). The solution was filtered through a silica gel column (2 × 6 cm), which was rinsed with CF₃C₆H₅ (60 mL). The filtrate was concentrated by oil pump vacuum (20 mL) and cooled to 10 °C. A white powder formed, which was collected on a frit. The filtrate was concentrated to 10 mL and cooled to 10 °C. A second crop of white powder formed, which was similarly collected, combined with the first, and dried by oil pump vacuum to give **4** (4.544 g, 3.213 mmol, 73% based upon total alkene), mp 71.5–72.5 °C (capillary), 67.1 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₃₃H₁₈F₅₁P: C, 28.02; H, 1.28. Found: C, 28.16; H, 1.31.

^1H NMR (δ , CF₃C₆F₁₁) 1.46–1.38 (m, 6H), 1.83–1.69 (m, 6H), 2.23–2.03 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (δ , CF₃C₆F₁₁, partial) 32.4 (tt, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 131$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CP}} = 12$ Hz), 27.3 (td, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 126$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 15$ Hz), 17.1 (td, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 129$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 17$ Hz); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (δ , CF₃C₆F₁₁) -34.8 (s).

CF₃SO₂OCH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ (8).²² A round-bottom flask was charged with HOCH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ (22.472 g, 49.927 mmol), pyridine (4.80 mL, 59.3 mmol), and CHCl₃ (100 mL) and placed in a 0 °C bath. Then (CF₃SO₂)₂O (10.0 mL, 59.4 mmol) was added dropwise with stirring over 30 min. The bath was removed. After 12 h, solvent was removed by rotary evaporation (aerobic workup). The white residue was dissolved in ether (250 mL). The solution was washed with cold water (100 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed under vacuum (10 mmHg) to give **8** as a white powder (27.103 g, 46.556 mmol, 93%) mp 33.5 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₂F₂₀O₃S: C, 20.63; H, 0.35. Found: C, 20.86; H, 0.42.

^1H NMR (δ , CDCl_3) 4.82 (t, $^3J_{\text{HF}} = 12$ Hz); ^{13}C (δ , CDCl_3 , partial) 68.3 (tt, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 157$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 28$ Hz); ^{19}F (δ , CDCl_3) -74.5 (t, $J_{\text{FF}} = 12$ Hz, CF_3), -81.3 (m, 2F), -120.2 (m, 2F), -122.3 (m, 6F), -123.3 (m, 2F), -126.6 (m, 2F).

ICH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ (9). A round-bottom flask was charged with **8** (27.103 g, 46.556 mmol), KI (15.495 g, 93.342 mmol), and ethylene glycol (270 mL) and fitted with a condenser. The mixture was refluxed for 12 h and cooled. Water was added (270 mL; aerobic workup). The mixture was extracted with ether (2 × 150 mL). The extracts were washed with aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (100 mL, 0.10 M) and dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed under vacuum (10 mmHg) to give **9** as a white powder (24.324 g, 43.437 mmol, 93%), mp 37.2 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₉H₂F₁₇I: C, 19.30; H, 0.36. Found: C, 19.28; H, 0.42.

^1H NMR (δ , CDCl_3) 3.64 (t, $^3J_{\text{HF}} = 17$ Hz); ^{13}C NMR (δ , CDCl_3 , partial) -4.1 (tt, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 151$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 26$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (δ , CDCl_3) -81.3 (t, $J_{\text{FF}} = 12$ Hz, CF_3), -107.4 (pseudopentet, 2F), -121.9 (m, 2F), -122.2 (m, 2F), -122.3 (m, 4F), -123.2 (m, 2F), -126.6 (m, 2F).

H₂C=CHCH₂CH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃ (10).²³ A Schlenk flask was charged with **9** (10.075 g, 17.991 mmol), Bu₃SnCH₂CH=CH₂ (8.40 mL, 27.1 mmol), VAZO (0.4327 g, 1.771 mmol, 10 mol %), and CF₃C₆H₅ (50 mL) and fitted with a condenser. The solution was refluxed for 6 h. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporation, and CH₂Cl₂ (100 mL) was added. The biphasic mixture was extracted with CF₃C₆F₁₁ (2 × 20 mL). The solvent was removed from the extracts by rotary evapora-

tion. The residue was distilled (74–75 °C, 15 mmHg) to give **10** as an analytically impure colorless liquid (4.783 g, 10.09 mmol, 56%). Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₇F₁₇: C, 30.40; H, 1.49. Found: C, 31.32; H, 1.61.

^1H NMR (δ , CDCl_3) 5.90–5.76 (m, 1 H), 5.17–5.05 (m, 2 H), 2.42–2.33 (m, 2 H), 2.27–2.07 (m, 2 H); ^{13}C NMR (δ , CDCl_3 , partial) 135.7 (d, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 155$ Hz), 116.5 (t, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 154$ Hz), 30.7 (tt, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 129$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz), 24.6 (tt, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 128$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{CF}} = 4$ Hz); ^{19}F NMR (δ , CDCl_3) -81.5 ($J_{\text{FF}} = 9$ Hz, CF_3), -115.1 (pseudopentet, 2F), -122.3 (m, 2F), -122.5 (m, 4F), -123.3 (m, 2F), -124.1 (m, 2F), -126.7 (m, 2F). IR (cm^{-1} , neat) $\nu_{\text{C}=\text{C}}$ 1647 cm^{-1} .

P(CH₂CH₂CH₂CH₂(CF₂)₇CF₃)₃ (5). A bomb was charged with **10** (5.017 g, 10.58 mmol), AIBN (0.175 g, 1.06 mmol, 10 mol %), and PH₃ (100 psi)¹⁴ in a procedure analogous to that for **4**. After 4 h, the bomb was vented, purged, opened, and analyzed by ^{31}P NMR^{16a,f} as before. Then VAZO (0.209 g, 0.855 mmol) and **10** (0.781 g, 1.65 mmol) were added. The mixture was stirred at 100 °C for 12 h and dissolved in CF₃C₆H₅ (10 mL). The solution was filtered through a silica gel column (2 × 6 cm), which was rinsed with CF₃C₆H₅ (60 mL). The solvent was removed from the filtrate by oil pump vacuum. The residue was dissolved in toluene (50 mL), and the solution was cooled to 10 °C. A white powder formed, which was collected on a frit. The filtrate was concentrated to 10 mL and cooled to 10 °C. A second crop of white powder formed, which was similarly collected, combined with the first, and dried by oil pump vacuum to give **5** (3.905 g, 2.681 mmol, 66% based upon total alkene), mp 44.5–45.0 °C (capillary), 40.2 °C (DSC).³⁰ Anal. Calcd for C₃₆H₂₄F₅₁P: C, 29.69; H, 1.66. Found: C, 29.52; H, 1.66.

^1H NMR (δ , CF₃C₆F₁₁) 2.08–1.96 (m, 6H), 1.74–1.69 (m, 6H), 1.55–1.45 (m, 6H), 1.39–1.33 (m, 6H); ^{13}C NMR (δ , CF₃C₆F₁₁, partial) 30.9 (tt, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 129$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CF}} = 22$ Hz), 27.7, 25.9 (2 × td, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 125/125$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{CP}} = 15/16$ Hz), 21.9 (td, $^1J_{\text{CH}} = 129$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{CP}} = 11$ Hz); $^{31}\text{P}\{^1\text{H}\}$ NMR (δ , CF₃C₆F₁₁) -32.8 (s).

Partition Coefficients. The following procedure is representative. A 1 dram vial was charged with **1** (0.0390 g, 0.0364 mmol), CF₃C₆F₁₁ (2.000 ± 0.015 mL), and toluene (2.000 ± 0.015 mL), capped with a mininert valve, vigorously shaken (2 min), and immersed (cap-level) in a 35 °C bath. After 12 h, the bath was removed. After 1 h (ambient temperature 24 °C), the vial was taken into a drybox (27 °C). After 1 h, 0.400 ± 0.005 mL aliquots of each layer were added to stock solutions of hexadecane in hexane (2.000 ± 0.015 mL, 0.00222 M; for **4** and **5**, 0.0111 M eicosane in hexanes). GLC analysis showed 8.52×10^{-5} mmol and 7.11×10^{-3} mmol of **1** in the toluene and CF₃C₆F₁₁ aliquots, for a 98.8(0.5):1.2(0.5) ratio (Table 1; 3–11 injections averaged for each run). The total amount of **1** calculated from these data (0.0386 g or 0.0360 mmol using a 2.000/0.400 volume multiplier) is in close agreement with that utilized.

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