

Organofluorosilicate Chemistry

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Organofluorosilicates (OFS) can be easily prepared both in water and in organic fluids and handled without danger. They readily react likewise both in water and also in organic fluids mostly at room temperature although they are soluble only in the first but not in organic fluids. From them it is possible to prepare metal organic compounds of Ag (Au, Cu), Hg, Pb, Sb, Bi, Co, Tl, and Pd. Alkanes, alkenes, dienes, aromatics, biaromatics, halocarbons, alcohols, aldehydes, esters, ethers, pseudo-halocarbons and tetracyanocarbons can also be prepared. They are a new class of compounds widely applicable to syntheses. It is the intention to show this in the following report.

Preparation and properties of the OFS

Organopentafluorosilicates (OPFS)

Preparation in water

Booth and coworkers [1], [2] tried to prepare OPFSs by passing $C_2H_5SiF_3$ over NaF without success. Tansjö [3] obtained OPFSs by treating phenyltriaminosilanes ($C_6H_5Si(NHR)_3$) with anhydrous hydrogen fluoride in ether. He more accurately and unambiguously described them first in 1964 [4], [5], although he did not perceive their astonishing properties.

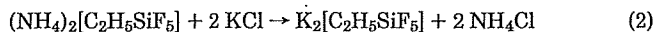
We have utilized the solubility and stability of the $RSiF_3$ compounds in H_2O and have added them to solutions of alkali fluorides in H_2O . In this manner solutions of the OPFSs are obtained [6].



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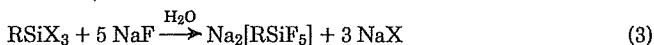
$R=CH_3-$, C_2H_5- , $n-C_3H_7-$, $CH_2=CH-$, $CH_3CH=CH-$, $CH_2=CHCH_2-$, C_6H_5- , $CF_2=CF-$ etc.
 $M=NH_4-$, $Na-$, $K-$, $Rb-$, $Cs-$, RNH_3- etc.
 The OPFS solubilities are shown in Table 1 [7], [8], [9].

If the concentration is higher than the saturation the OPFSs precipitate and can be isolated in the solid state. The solubility decreases if an excess of MF exists. But in such cases double salts precipitate too, for instance $(NH_4)_2[CH_3SiF_5] \cdot NH_4F$ or $(NH_4)_2[F_5SiCH_2=CHCH=CH_2SiF_5] \cdot 2 NH_4F$ [9], [10], [11], [12]. These are not mixtures as shown by x-ray pictures [9]. The OPFS are not soluble in all organic fluids. Exceptions are $Rb_2[n-C_8H_{17}SiF_5]$ and $Cs_2[n-C_8H_{17}SiF_5]$. They are slightly soluble in ethanol from which they can be recrystallized [10]. Because of this insolubility they can also be precipitated from aqueous solution, e.g. with C_2H_5OH [7]. OPFSs which are readily soluble in H_2O can be transformed into slightly soluble OPFSs by exchanging the cation (cf. tab. 1)



The solubility of the OPFSs in H_2O does not solely depend on the counter cation (e.g. K, Na, NH_4) but also on the organic group. If its size increases the solubility decreases. The different solubility in H_2O and in organic fluids can perhaps be used to separate, to enrich or possibly even to analyse the alkali metals by varying R.

All substituents or groups X on a trifunctional silicon which are hydrolysable can be exchanged for fluorine in aqueous solution:



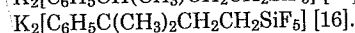
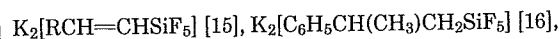
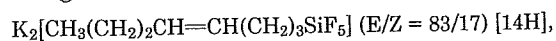
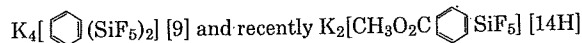
X = Cl, Br, I, RCOO, OH, OR and so on.

Tab. 1 The solubility of the OPFSs in H_2O at room temperature

OPFS	Solubility g/100 g H_2O	OPFS	Solubility g/100 g H_2O
$(NH_4)_2[CH_3SiF_5]$	67	$Rb_2[CH_3SiF_5]$	5
$(NH_4)_2[C_2H_5SiF_5]$	122	$Cs_2[CH_3SiF_5]$	100
$(NH_4)_2[n-C_3H_7SiF_5]$	67	$Na_2[CH=CHSiF_5]$	6,6
$Na_2[CH_3SiF_5]$	3	$(NH_4)_2[C_{12}H_{25}SiF_5]$	unstable in H_2O
$K_2[C_2H_5SiF_5]$	3	$K_2[CH_2=CHSiF_5]$	1,5
$Na_2[n-C_8H_{17}SiF_5]$		$(NH_4)_2[C_6H_5SiF_5]$	43
$K_2[CH_3SiF_5]$	1,5	$Na_2[C_6H_5SiF_5]$	1,9
$(NH_4)_2[CH_2=CHSiF_5]$	slightly soluble	$K_2[C_6H_5SiF_5]$	0,4
$K_2[n-C_8H_{17}SiF_5]$		$(C_6H_5NH_3)_2[CH_3SiF_5]$	
$(NH_4)_2[CH_2=CHCH_2SiF_5]$	*		
$(NH_4)_2[CH_3CH=CHSiF_5]$			

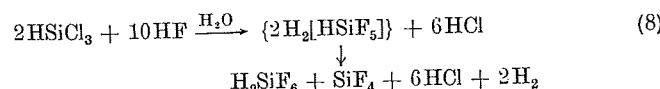
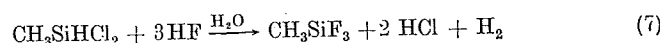
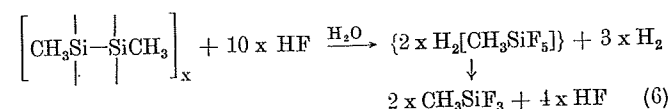
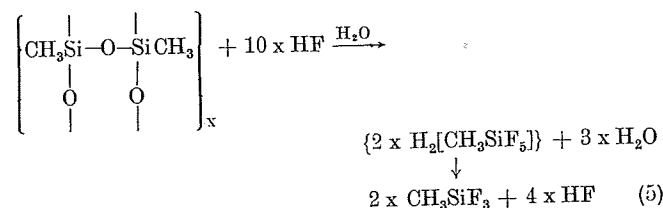
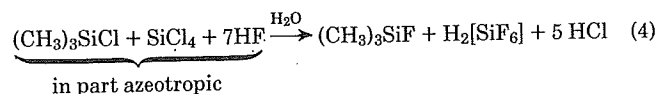
* in accordance with the color test (see below) preparable but not separable. $CH_3CH=CH_2$ is eliminated [7], [10] (see (47))

The methods can be applied to different R groups. For instance the following compounds have also been prepared in H₂O:



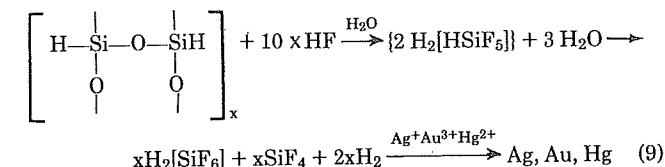
Mono- (R₃SiX) and bifunctional (R₂SiX₂) organofluorosilanes do not react under these conditions to form stable OFSs (but see below!) Therefore it is possible to separate e.g. the CH₃SiCl₃ from the other products of the "direct synthesis" between Si and CH₃Cl in the form of (NH₄)₂[CH₃SiF₅] by transforming the methylchlorosilanes to the methylfluorosilanes with aqueous HF [6], [9], [11], [13]. The mixture which principally consists of (CH₃)₃SiF, (CH₃)₂SiF₂ and CH₃SiF₃ passes through an aqueous NH₄F solution. The CH₃SiF₃ precipitates in the form of (NH₄)₂[CH₃SiF₅] and can be filtered off. (CH₃)₃SiF and (CH₃)₂SiF₂ remain gaseous. Their boiling points are widely separated and can be easily separated by distillation (see Fig. 1). The methyl-PFS is finally decomposed with acid and the CH₃SiF₃ can be recovered in this manner.

Moreover the following reactions can be run with the other products from the "direct synthesis":

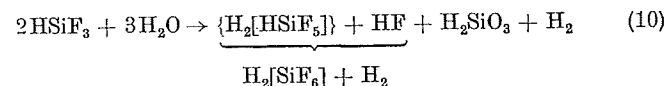


The salts of this acid (M₂[HSiF₅]) form white precipitates which decompose spontaneously. Another earlier observation elucidated the existence of this acid. The reductions of Ag-, Au- and Hg-salts by the

polymeric disiloxane are accelerated in the presence of fluoride ions: [17]



Furthermore, whilst HSiCl₃, HSiBr₃ and HSiI₃ hydrolyse to polymeric disiloxane the different behavior of HSiF₃ is probably based on the formation of the acid:



Pyrolysis [8]

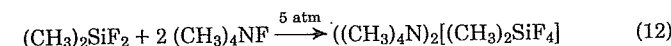
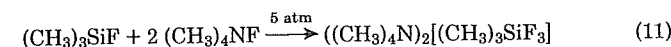
Na₂[CH₃SiF₅] gave 95% CH₃SiF₃ on heating. (NH₄)₂[CH₃SiF₅] decomposed CH₄, NH₃ and the adduct CH₃SiF₃·NH₃. K₂[CH₃SiF₅] was converted to carbon and hydrocarbons.

Electrolysis [13]

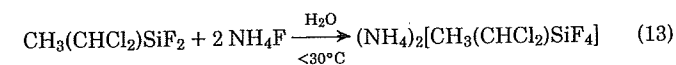
Electrolysis between Pt electrodes in aqueous solutions gave CH₄ and C₂H₆ from M₂[CH₃SiF₅] and C₆H₆ from M₂[C₆H₅SiF₅].

Organotri- and organotetrafluorosilicates

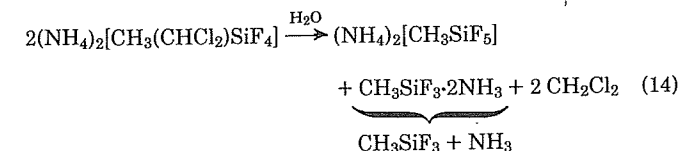
Using the conditions of fig. 1 the mono- and bifunctional fluorosilanes did not form OFSs. OFSs with hexacoordinated silicon could be prepared under pressure: [18]



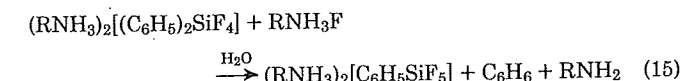
In order to enhance the negativity of the methyl group we substituted halogens. We presumed that it could be possible to prepare OFSs from bifunctional organofluorosilanes without pressure. CH₃(CH₂Cl)SiCl₂ and CH₃(CH₂Br)SiCl₂ were not suitable but the following reaction occurred: [19]



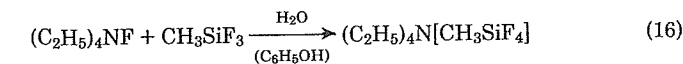
However, the compound was unstable in water and gradually decomposed in the following manner:



The diphenyltetrafluorosilicate with hexacoordinated Si which was obtained from (C₆H₅)₂SiF₂ with primary ammonium fluorides was transformed to the OPFS during the preparation [4], [5], [9]



Quarternary ammonium fluorides provided OFSs with pentacoordinated Si from trifluorosilanes: [13], [20], [21]



In contrast to the OPFSs the organotetrafluorosilicate was soluble in ethanol and could be recrystallized from it.

In the same manner (n-C₃H₇)₄N[C₆H₅SiF₄] and (n-C₃H₇)₂NH₂—[C₆H₅SiF₄] were obtained.

From (CH₃)₂SiF₂ a dimethyltrifluorosilicate could be prepared:

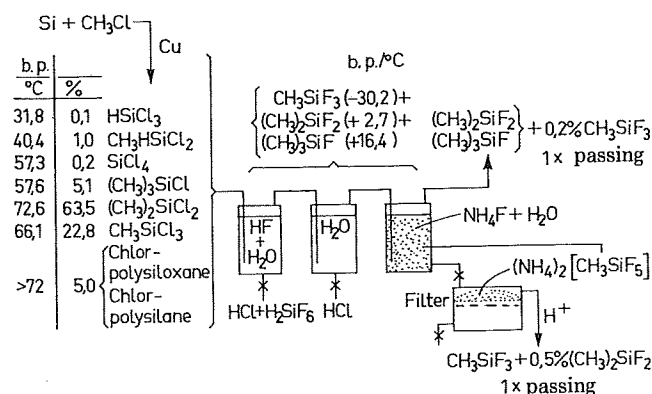
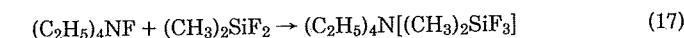
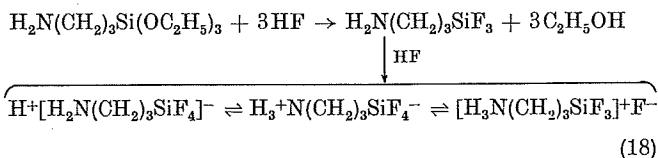


Fig. 1.

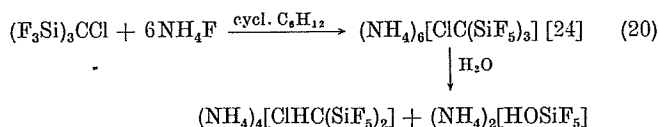
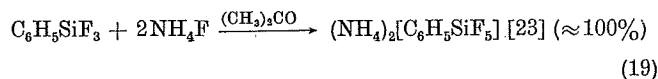
Finally it was recently proved that R_3SiF and R_2SiF_2 can form short lived OFSs, respectively, with a catalytic or excess amount of KF and that all their R-groups can be split off [22]. By forming an amphoteric ion acids of the OFSs with pentacoordinated Si can be stabilized by insertion of NH_2 -groups into R [9].



Crystallization from hot water gave large crystals. $H_3^+[H_2N(CH_2)_3SiF_4]^-$ was prepared in the same manner.

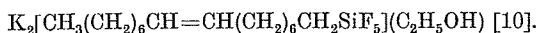
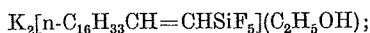
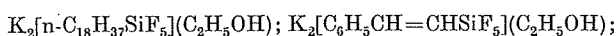
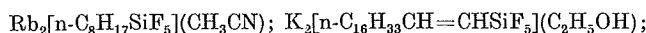
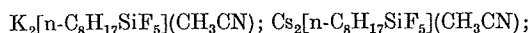
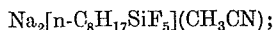
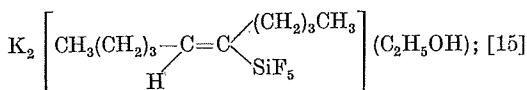
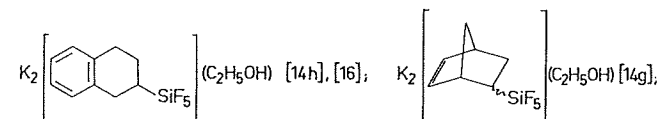
Preparation of OPFSs in organic fluids

OPFSs can be prepared in organic fluids.



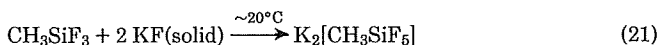
In organic fluids were also obtained: $(NH_4)_2[CH_3SiF_5][(CH_3)_2CO]$ [23]; $(NH_4)_2[ClH_2CSiF_5](CH_3CN)$; $(NH_4)_4[Cl_2C(SiF_5)_2](CH_3CN)$; $(NH_4)_4[CH_2(SiF_5)_2](Cl_4)$ [24]; $K_2[CF_2=CFSiF_5](CH_3CN$ or Dioxan); $Na_2[CF_2=CFSiF_5](CH_3CN$ or Dioxan) [25].

Recently the following OPFSs were prepared in this manner:



Preparation of the OPFSs without solvent

The intention of Booth and coworkers (see above!) could be realized by exchanging the NaF for KF and the $C_2H_5SiF_3$ for CH_3SiF_3 [6]:



The hexa- and pentacoordination of the Si in the OFSs could be demonstrated spectroscopically [21], [26-29]. (IR-spectra see [9], [13A]!)

Syntheses with OPFSs


Syntheses in H_2O

Syntheses of metal-organic compounds

Ag: If $AgNO_3$ or AgF are reacted with aqueous OPFSs an intensive color develops followed quickly by precipitation of a colored sediment [6], [9], [11], [13] (see tab. 2) corresponding to the bright yellow $(C_6H_5Ag)_2 \cdot AgNO_3$ which has been prepared from $(C_6H_5)_3C_2H_5Pb$ or $(C_6H_5)_3C_2H_5Sn$ in anhydrous ethanol by Krause and Schmitz [30].

These compounds decompose in H_2O rapidly to metallic Ag and coupled $(C_2H_6, CH_2=CHCH=CH_2, (C_6H_5)_2)$ and protonolysis-products $(CH_4, CH=CH_2, C_6H_6)$. The precipitates could not be studied in detail because of this rapid decomposition. They show a tendency to "explode" on the filter.

Tab. 2 Color-test with AgF or $AgNO_3$ in H_2O

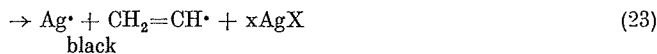
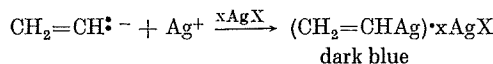
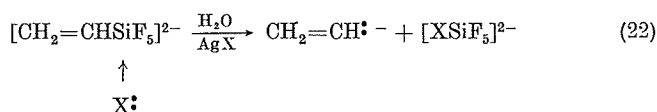
R in $[RSiF_5]$	color	R—R (%)	R—H (%)
CH_3-	yellow a)	85-93	15-7
$CH_2=CH-$	dark blue b)	87,1	
$CH_3CH=CH-$	blue		
$CH_2=CHCH_2-$	red purple		
C_6H_5-	yellow-orange		
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a) fire-like decomposition by heating

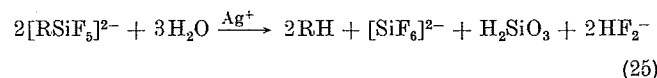
b) with excess $AgNO_3$ the color changes via green to yellow

In some cases the protonolysis predominates; the color-test is then hindered. Its rate depends on R. The larger is R the slower the rate. For instance the color of $(NH_4)_2[n-C_{12}H_{25}SiF_5]$ is slow to form. (Color test in organic fluids see table 3!)

The following reactions evidently occur in H_2O :



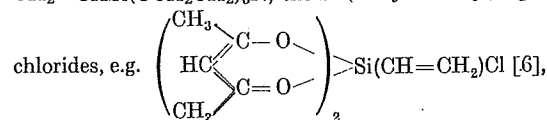
Protonolysis without significant formation of Ag or Ag_2O was observed:



With Ag-salts $[CF_2=CFSiF_5]^{2-}$ gave only $CF_2=CFH$ both in H_2O and ethanol [25] (cf. (26)!)

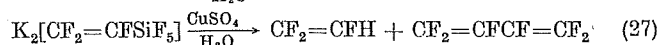
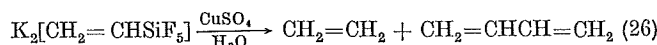
Corresponding to (2) the silicates, e.g. $Na(OH)_2SiCH=CH_2$, the silanetriols, e.g. $CH_2=CHSi(OH)_3$, the silatranes, e.g.

$CH_2=CHSi(OCH_2CH_2)_3N$, the bis(acetylacetonyl)organosilicon



and the organotetrafluorosilicates [20], e.g. $(C_2H_5)_4N[CH_3SiF_4]$, gave likewise the color-test with Ag-salts but only in the presence of added MF. These results are worthy of notice because the silicons with the higher coordination exist in the anion and the cation or in a neutral molecule.

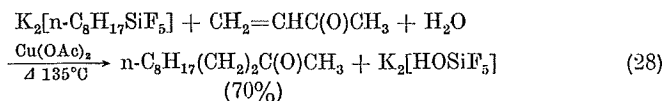
Cu: The OPFSs can also be decomposed by Cu-salts. Both protonolysis- and homocoupling-products, diene, are formed:



(cf. above!) [7] [25]

The formation of organocopper intermediates is probable but it could not be proved.

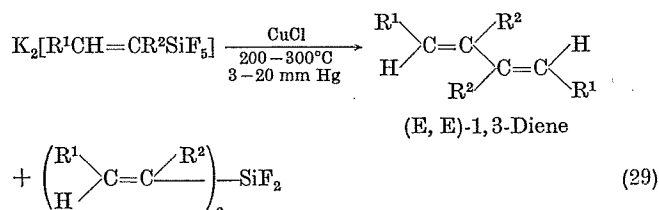
The R of the OPFSs can be added to the double bond of unsaturated α, β -ketones with $Cu(OAc)_2$ in the presence of water: [14F], [45]



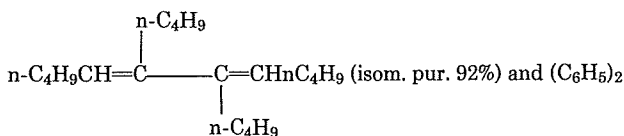
In this manner $\text{n-C}_8\text{H}_{17}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ (16%) and

$\text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C}(\text{CH}_2)_{10}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{C}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3$ (46%) could be prepared.

With alkenyl-PFSs and solid CuCl the following reaction occurred: [14], [31]



(E,E)-7,9-hexadecadiene (56%, isomeric purity 95%) and dioctenyl-difluorosilane (8%) were likewise produced from (E)-1-octenyl-PFS. Also the (E,E)-n-C₄H₉CH=CHCH=CHC₄H₉-n (isom. pur. 96%), (E,E)-CH₃OCH₂CH=CHCH=CHCH₂OCH₃ (isom. pur. 97%), (E,E)-C₆H₅CH=CHCH=CHC₆H₅ (isom. pur. 99%),



were obtained.

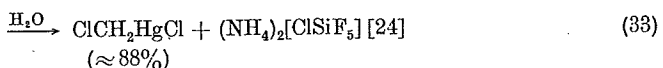
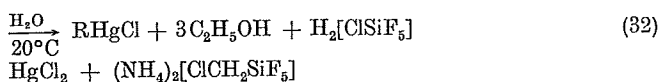
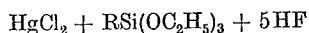
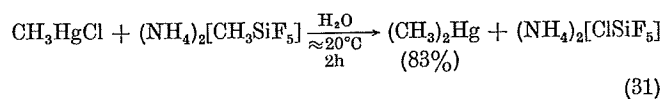
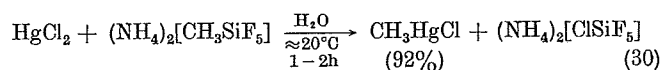
In contrast to these reactions solid CuCl gave with alkyl-OFSs under these conditions only protonolysis products and (by β -elimination) olefins and no homocoupling products.

Solid CuF₂·2H₂O produced almost entirely protonolysis products in this manner. As for the mechanism the formation of organocopper(II) intermediates and of radical ions is proposed (see (71)!)

Au: HAuCl₄·4H₂O is soluble both in H₂O, ethanol, and ether and therefore especially favourable for comparative studies. Nevertheless we could not study the dark colored precipitates which it gives with the OPFSs in H₂O more accurately. The decomposition products are unknown [8].

Stable metal organic compounds could be obtained from the following elements:

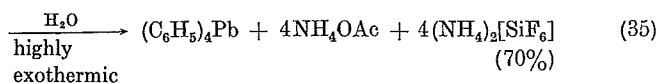
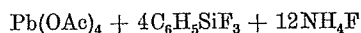
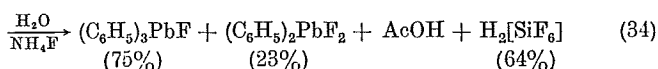
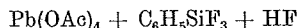
Hg: With Hg(II) salts and OPFSs the following reactions occurred: [6], [32]



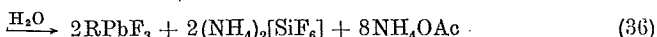
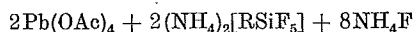
The following compounds were also obtained in this way: C₆H₅HgCl (69%); CH₂=CHHgCl (92%); C₆H₅HgNO₃ (97%); C₆H₅HgOAc (78%).

Hg(I) salts—even the insoluble Hg₂Cl—reacted to form RHgX, but by separation of metallic Hg.

Pb: With Pb(OAc)₄ one-step-reactions could be performed: [33]

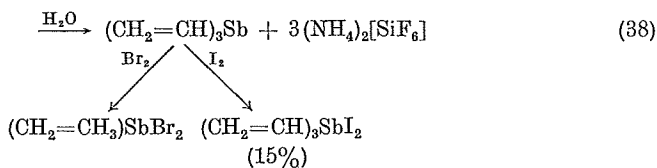
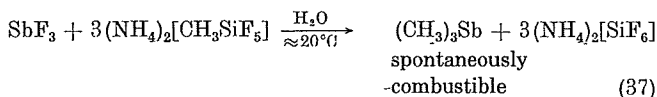


the following reactions also occurred:

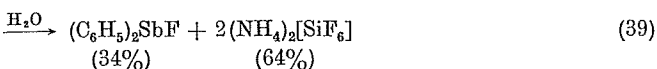
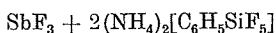


R = CH₃—, C₂H₅—, CH₂=CH—.

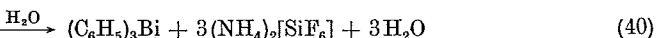
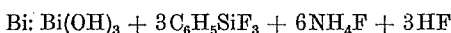
Sb: Because SbF₃ is soluble and stable in H₂O the following reactions occurred:



4% (CH₂=CH)₃Sb(I)O(I)Sb(CH=CH₂)₃ was also formed by air oxidation. (see also (51)!) Furthermore the following reactions occurred.

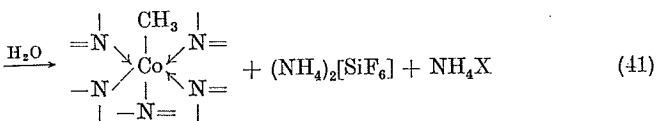
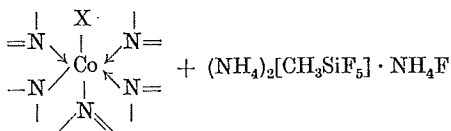


(C₆H₅)₂SbF can likewise be obtained with the water soluble ammoniumpentafluoroantimonate [32]. As to the preparation of (C₆H₅)₂Sb(C₂H₅) and of (C₆H₅)₂(C₂H₅)Sb(I)O(I)Sb(C₂H₅)(C₆H₅)₂ see (51)!



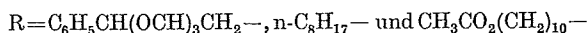
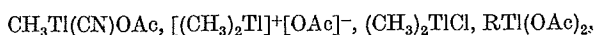
The mixture exothermed violently.

Co: Derivatives of vitamin 12 have been obtained from the "hexafluorosilicate" [34] (see above!)



X = CN, HO, Cl, Br, I or a 5'-desoxyadenosyl group

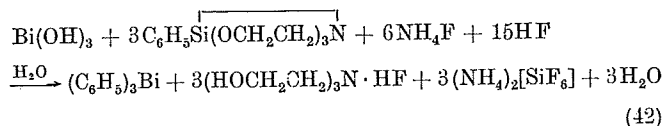
Tl: The following compounds have been prepared in water: [35], [36]



Syntheses of organometallics from silatranes

In the presence of fluoride ions silatranes also give organometallics in H₂O and show the color test

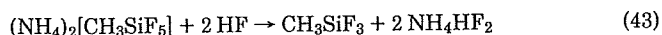
For instance the following reaction: [37]



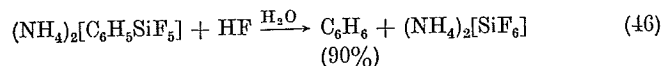
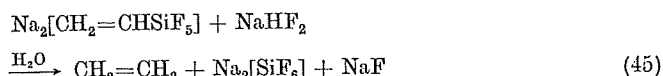
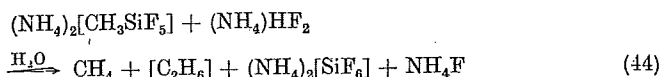
RHgCl ($\text{R}=\text{CH}_3-$ (57%), $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}-$ (89%), C_6H_5- (60%), $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{HgNO}_3$ (60–70%). R_3PbF and R_2PbF_2 $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$ (90%), $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}-$ (R_3PbF = 35%; R_2PbF_2 = 65%), C_6H_5- (R_3PbF = 10%, R_2PbF_2 = 85%), $(\text{C}_6\text{H}_5)_2\text{SbF}$ (45%) were also obtained.

Syntheses of hydro- and halocarbons in water [7]

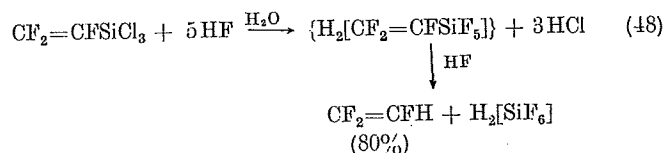
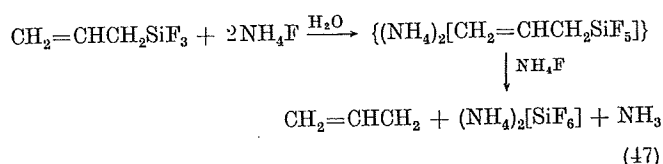
In addition to the already mentioned protonolysis (see (14), (15), (25), (26), (27)!), which have been recently supplemented by the reactions of CuCl and $\text{CuF}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ the following observations can be reported: If acids are added to OPFSs cleavages take place:



If there is an excess of acid or acidic salts even the C—Si bonds are cleaved. The displaced organic groups add hydrogen (protonolysis):

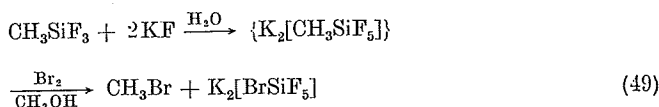


The following one-step reactions are possible:



The mixture was exothermic.

Halocarbons were obtained with halogens in H_2O :

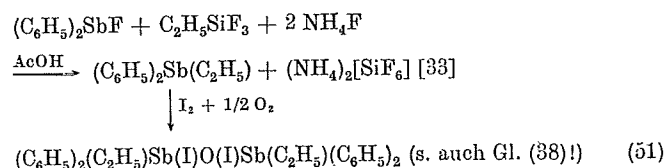
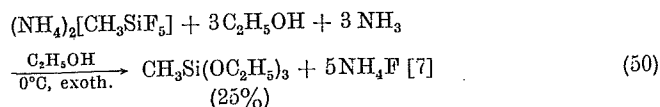


In some cases we have added an excess of MF for forming the $[\text{SiF}_6]^{2-}$ because we supposed that it is energetically favoured and that the reactions are facilitated in that way.

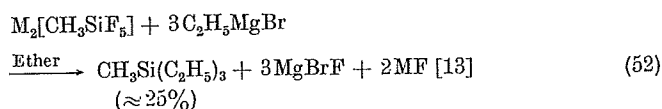
Evidently the $(\text{NH}_4)_2[\text{CH}_3\text{SiF}_5]$ and $\text{K}_2[\text{CH}_3\text{SiF}_5]$ are completely destroyed by KMnO_4 [7]. Only CO_2 and MnO_2 and a small amount of CH_4 were found.

Synthesis with OPFSs in organic fluids

It is astonishing that all the preparations of the forementioned metal organics and organics—for which hitherto chemists considered organic fluids quite unavoidable—run in water. Now we become acquainted with another surprising property of the OPFSs. They easily react in organic fluids although they are in the most cases insoluble therein. Fascinated by the observation that we could perform so many reactions in water we have still considered reactions in organic fluids as a variation and have demonstrated this behavior only with a few examples:

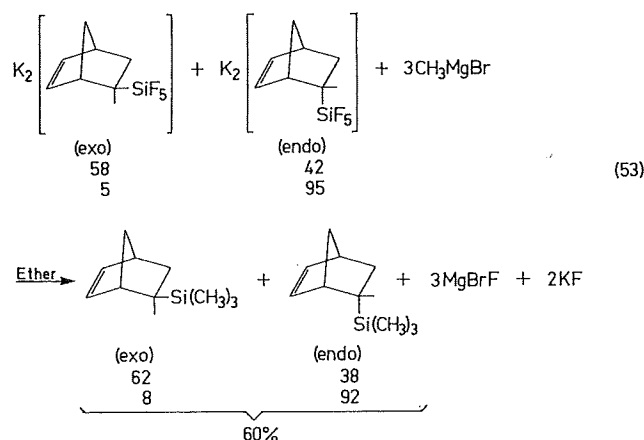


AcOH = glacial acetic acid

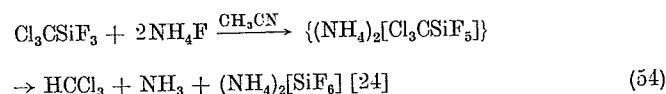


M = NH_4 , K, Na

Recently this last reaction has been used to prepare 5-norbornen-2-yl-trimethylsilane: [14G], [38]



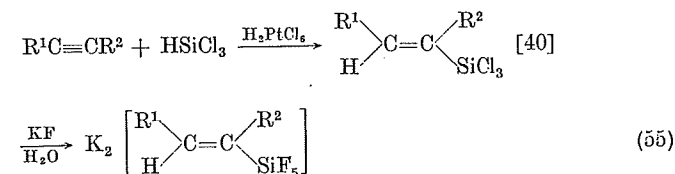
Furthermore we performed:



This branch of the OPFS-chemistry by using organic fluids has been developed with eminent success by Kumada and his collaborators.

Syntheses of organometallics with OPFSs in organic fluids

Ag: (E)-alkenyl-PFSs which can be prepared in the following manner give the color test also in organic fluids [39]



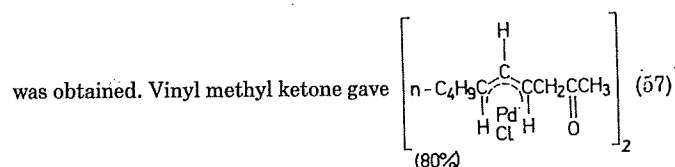
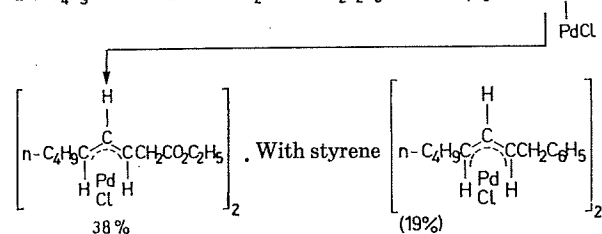
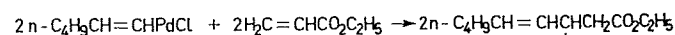
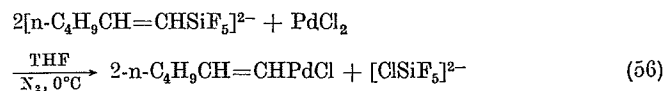
Besides sym. (E,E)-1,3-dienes ($\text{R}^1 = \text{R}^2$) of high stereoselectivity and retention of the double bond, biphenyl and biphenylethane were also obtained from Ag salts. (tab. 3)

Terminal and internal alkenyl-PFSs showed no significant differences

Pd: (E)-1-hexenyl-PFS and ethylacrylate gave di- μ -chlorodi-(1-ethoxy-carbonyl-oct-2-enyldipalladium(II) with PdCl_2 at 0°C : [14E], [41]

Tab. 3. Color test with Ag salts of the (E)-alkenyl-, phenyl- and aralkyl-PFSs and coupled products formed in organic fluids

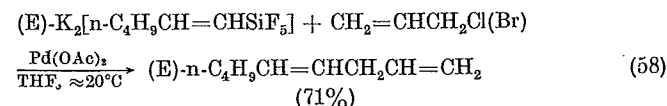
R in $K_2[RSiF_5]$	AgF + CH ₃ CN			AgNO ₃ + Ether + H ₂ O			comments
	color	yield	R—R ^{b)}	color	yield	R—R ^{b)}	
C ₆ H ₅ CH=CH—	red purple	74		blue	64		a) isolated yields; b) GLC-yields;
n-C ₄ H ₉ CH=CH—	blue purple	63	86	red purple	47	66	c) under N ₂ ; d) AgBF ₄ ;
CH ₃ OCH ₂ CH=CH—	blue		10	blue	51	61	in CH ₂ Cl ₂ gave 20–28%
CH ₃ O ₂ C(CH ₂) ₈ CH=CH—	red	36		blue	65		C ₁₆ H ₃₄ ;
(C ₂ H ₅) ₃ SiCH=CH—	red	43	51	blue	58		e) C ₆ H ₆ > DMF > THF > C ₂ H ₅ OH;
$\begin{array}{c} n-C_4H_9 \quad C_4H_9-n \\ \diagdown \quad \diagup \\ CH=CH \end{array}$	orange	26		orange	72		f) AgF > AgNO ₃ > AgBF ₄
C ₆ H ₅ —	orange	82	93	orange	60	69	
C ₆ H ₅ CH ₂ —	yellow	46	60 ^{c)}	colorless	0		
n-C ₈ H ₁₇ — ^{d)}	colorless	0 ^{c)}		colorless	0		



was obtained. Vinyl methyl ketone gave

Organo-Pd-intermediates are postulated for the following reactions: [14E], [41], [42]

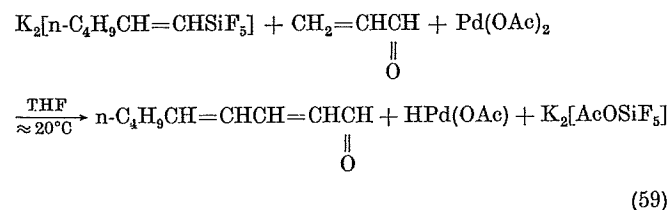
Crosscoupling in the presence of Pd-salts



Similarly: n-C₄H₉CH=CHCH₂C(CH₃)=CH₂ (35%), C₆H₅CH=CHCH₂CH=CH₂ (40%), CH₂=CHCH₂CH=CH(CH₂)₆CO₂C₂H₅ (55%). This last compound is an intermediate in the synthesis of the naturally occurring recifeiolide [14E], [42].

In combination with the hydrosilylation in conformity with (54) a regio- and stereoselective transformation of alkynes is possible to (E)-1,4-dienes [14E]. (Exception: 3-chloro-1-butene gave (2,5E)- and (2Z, 5E)-2,5-decadienes).

Activated olefins exchange the H of the double bond for R of the OPFSs

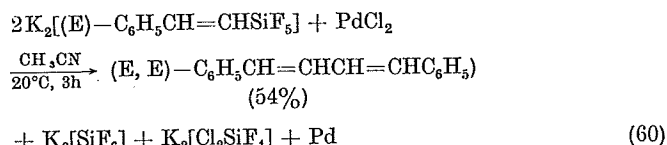


The Pd-salt was reduced and Pd was precipitated in the form of a mirror.

Methyl acrylate or methyl crotonate could be substituted for acrolein.

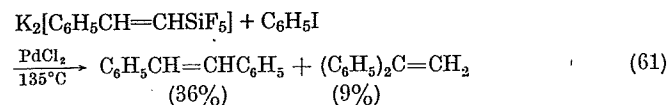
CH₂=CHCN gave under reflux (E,E)- and (Z,E)-isomers. All reactions of the (E)-alkenyl-PFS were highly stereoselective and only (E,E)-dienes were obtained. The phenyl-PFS also reacted stereoselectively and gave (E)-phenyl-substituted olefins.

Homo couplings as with the reactions of the Ag- or Cu-salts in H₂O could be carried out with PdCl₂ in organic fluids only with the styrene- and phenyl-PFS [14E], [41] (but cf. 43) too!

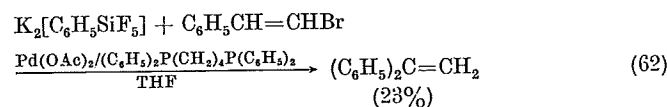


Similarly the phenyl-PFS gave biphenyl (48%) in THF.

At higher temperature the following reaction could be run without organic fluid with PdCl₂ (also with other Pd(O) and Pd(II)-complexes): [41]

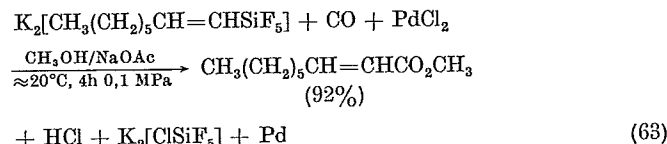


The reaction by exchanging R proceeded in THF in the subsequent manner: [41]



C₆H₅CH=CHC₆H₅ was only found in traces.

Carbomethoxylations of the alkenyl-PFS could be performed with CO in CH₃OH and stoichiometric amounts of Pd-salts. The NaOAc was evidently necessary to neutralize the HCl [15], [41].

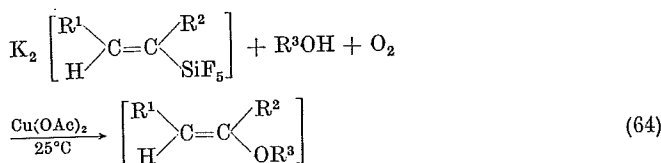


In this way a series of esters RCH=CHCO₂CH₃ could be produced in which R was (CH₃)₃C— (90%), C₆H₅— (76%). Functional groups were tolerated. For instance compounds could be prepared in which R was CH₃OCH₂— (61%) or CH₃O₂C(CH₂)₈— (72%). An ester with an internal double bond was obtained: CH₃(CH₂)₃CH=C(CO₂CH₃)-(CH₂)₃CH₃ (88%).

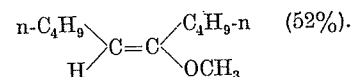
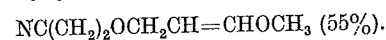
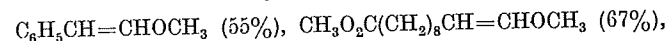
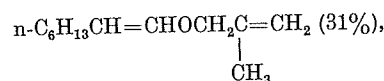
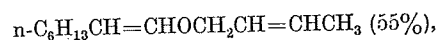
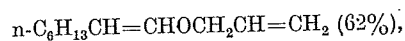
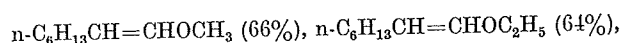
In combination with the hydrosilylation (see (54)!) the procedure allows the regio- and stereoselective transformation of alkynes to unsaturated (E)- α,β -carboxylic esters.

Cu: *Syntheses with OPFSs in the presence of catalytic or stoichiometric amounts of Cu-salts in organic fluids*

The reaction specified below could be accomplished:

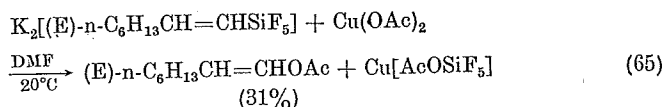


With the suitable alcohols and oxygen the corresponding ethers were prepared:

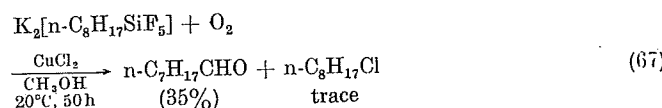
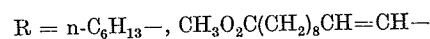
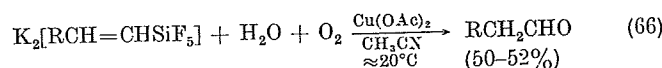


The reactions are highly stereoselective and produce the (E)-alkenylether in an isom. pur. of more than 99%. It is supposed that the mechanism involves a radical ion (see (71)!) Without alcohols and without oxygen the ester, octenyl acetate, was formed from octenyl-PFS in DMF [45].

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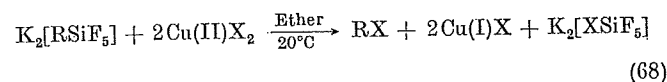


Using H_2O instead of the alcohols and added O_2 , aldehydes were prepared [44]:



See also (72)!

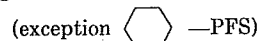
With stoichiometric amounts of CuCl_2 and CuBr_2 halocarbons were obtained in ether [14F], [45], [46], [47]



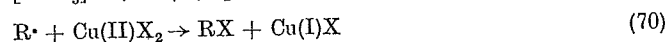
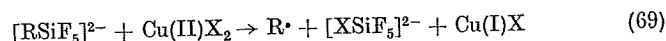
By this procedure $\text{n-C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{Br}$ (88%), $\text{CH}_3\text{CO}(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{Cl}$ (66%), $\text{Br}(\text{CH}_2)_{11}\text{Cl}$ (60%), $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHCH}_2\text{O}(\text{CH}_2)_3\text{Br}$ (52%) and (E)-1- $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_4\text{Br}$ (45%, isom. pur. >99%; no cyclisation product detected) were achieved. The processes ran with retention of the configuration of the alkenyl group and with high stereoselectivity. Furthermore $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5(\text{CH}_3)\text{CHCH}_2\text{Br}$ (53%), $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5(\text{CH}_3)\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2)_2\text{Br}$ (55%) and $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CCH}_2\text{Br}$ (16%) and $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{SiF}_3$ (71%) were prepared [49].

The C-Si-lipkages of both the exo- and endo-2-norbornyl-PFS were nonstereoselectively cleaved by CuBr_2 and mixtures of exo- and endo-2-norbornylbromide were formed [45].

Because the yields of the alkyl products highly decreased in the presence of radical trapping agents



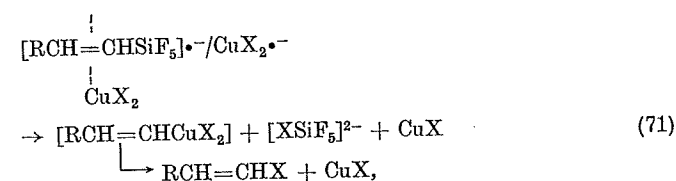
the following radical mechanism is postulated:



Under the present conditions the copper(I) is probably oxidized to copper(II) by molecular oxygen and can rereact.

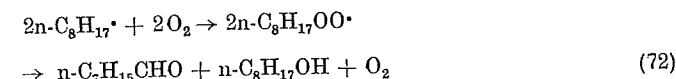
Functional groups are preserved because the processes ran at room temperature. Cu(OAc)_2 and Cu(NCS)_2 were inefficient. Cu-triflate cleaved $\text{n-C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{SiF}_3$ from $\text{K}_2[\text{n-C}_8\text{H}_{17}\text{SiF}_5]$.

Although the radical trapping agent, nitrosobenzene, also greatly decreased [45] the yield of the reaction of the (E)-1-hexenyl-PFS with CuBr_2 (61 \rightarrow 31%) it is nevertheless guessed that the alkenyl-PFSs do not react through radicals because the configurational stability of the alkenyl group is known to be very low. By proceeding through alkenyl radicals an isomerisation should occur and produce a mixture of (E)- and (Z)-alkenyl halides. But the (E)-1-hexenylbromide had a high stereoselectivity (99%). Therefore a mechanism is postulated through alkenyl-Cu-intermediates and radical ions:



Such Cu-intermediates are known and their decomposition has been studied [48].

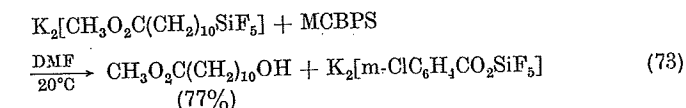
However a radical mechanism is proposed for the process of (67): [45]



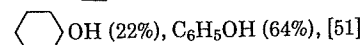
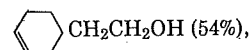
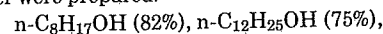
Although the alcohol was not found it could have been oxidized.

Syntheses with m-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (MCPBS) in organic fluids [51]

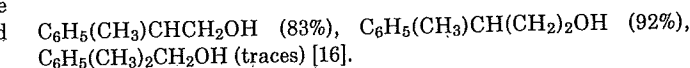
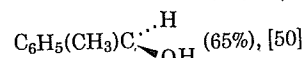
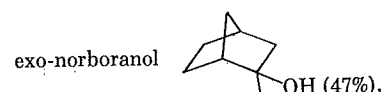
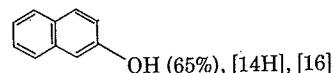
With peroxyacetic acid in acetic acid, tert-butylhydroperoxide in diglyme or with H_2O_2 the OPFSs gave only RSiF_3 . But with m-chloroperoxybenzoic acid the corresponding alcohols were obtained in high yields:



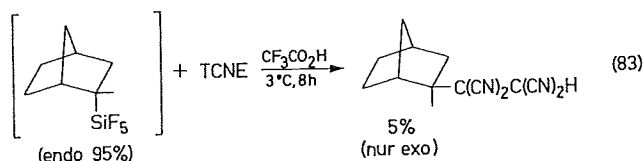
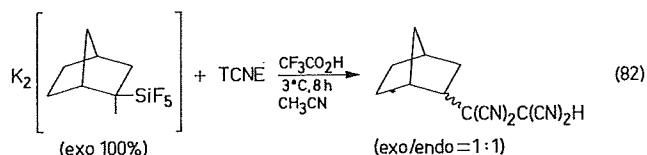
In this manner were prepared:



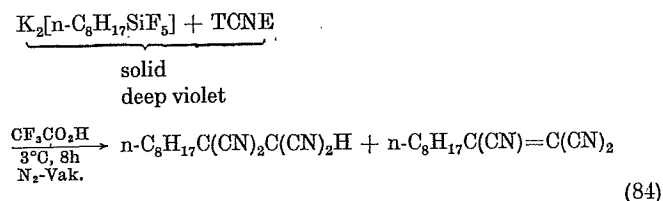
the highly valuable insect repellent with low irritancy and low toxicity



Furthermore the following reactions could be realized:



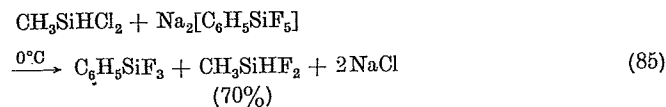
Solid *n*-octyl-PFS and TCNE (without organic fluid!) by stirring under N_2 vac. and quenching with $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{H}$ afforded 80% 1,1,2,2-tetracyanodecane and 13% tricyanodecane:



Conclusions see below!

Fluorinations without organic fluids [56]

NaF or $\text{Na}_2[\text{SiF}_6]$ are not able to fluorinate the Cl-Si -bond; but the following reaction occurred without organic fluid:

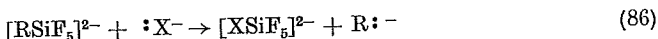


The mixture was exothermic. The HSi -bond was left intact. Also CH_3SiCl_3 with OPFS exothermed and formed CH_3SiF_3 (72–76%). In H_2O $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{SiCl}$ and the OPFS became cool $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{SiF}$ was formed (71%).

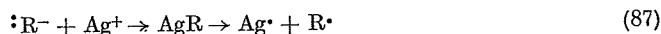
With $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CCl}_3$, which can be easily fluorinated by other means both $\text{Na}[\text{SiF}_6]$ and $\text{Na}_2[\text{CH}_3\text{SiF}_5]$ gave $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CClF}_2$ in the same yield (80–90%). NaF provided $\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CF}_3$ (15%).

Conclusions

The ability of the OPFSs to add $(\text{CN})_2\text{C}=\text{C}(\text{CN})_2$ increases but the color test is retarded, if their R increases. Therefore it is easily understood that at the very least two other mechanisms must still exist besides a possible radical reaction in agreement with (69). Especially in H_2O very active anions can be cleaved:

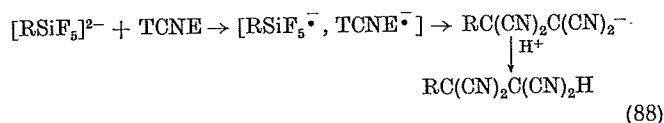


These anions are able to react with a great number of cations or electrophiles and can be transformed by the help of Ag- or Cu-salts into likewise very active radicals:



Finally $\text{R}\cdot$ can homo-couple (R-R) mostly at room temperature. In organic fluid (see (71) particularly in the reactions in the solid state the OPFSs are good electron-donors and an initial one-electron transfer will play an important part.

Electron spin resonance studies have proved that the formation of radical anions dominates the reactions: [14C], [55], [56]



The successful reaction in the solid state (see (84)!) demonstrates that this one-electron transfer can occur even at the solid surface of the OPFSs. This perhaps also causes the OPFSs to react in organic fluids although they are not soluble.

The great number of the above mentioned reactions show that the OPFSs are a new class of compound which is universally suited for metalorganic and organic syntheses even at room temperature.

Prospects

The reaction (84) with its mild conditions perhaps allows a profound insight into solid state chemistry. Although differences are found between the aptitude of the organic fluids the transactions in them are perhaps also solid state reactions.

It ought to be accurately elaborated that the OPFSs are color reagents for the qualitative determination of silver. If AgOAc does not give the color test [39] it is only necessary to add a drop of HNO_3 .

Alternatively the Ag-salts are reagents for the qualitative indication of the OPFSs, which can be used in thin layer chromatography [8] e.g. for the analysis of a silicone resin. With Ag- or Cu-salts and "bivalent" OPFSs, e.g. $\text{M}_4[\text{F}_6\text{SiCH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CHSiF}_5]$ or $\text{M}_4[\text{F}_6\text{SiCCl}=\text{CClSiF}_5]$ (starting compounds see [58]–[61]) cyclic hydrocarbons or linear oligomers and even polymers can probably be obtained with groups $-\text{CH}=\text{CHCH}=\text{CH}-$ etc. "Monovalent" $\text{M}_2[\text{RSiF}_5]$ could terminate the chains. From $\text{HC}(\text{SiCl}_3)_3$ [62] or $\text{C}(\text{SiCl}_3)_4$ [58], [60], [61] (perhaps only briefly stable) "tri- and tetravalent" OPFSs can be used for branching.

Because Clark and Willis [63] have prepared $\text{K}_2[\text{CF}_3\text{GeF}_5]$ it is perhaps possible to perform several reactions of the OPFSs with organofluorogermanates.

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