



On the reactions of trialkyl(trifluorovinyl)silanes with isocyanates and isothiocyanates – Expected and surprising results

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ABSTRACT

Conditions for the addition of trialkyl(trifluorovinyl)silanes to the carbonyl- and thiocarbonyl function of commercially available isocyanates and isothiocyanates in the presence of tetramethylammonium fluoride (TMAF) to give corresponding amides of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylic and 2,3,3-trifluorothioacrylic acids have been elaborated. The behaviour of the synthesized amides towards fluoride ions was studied. The syntheses of the amides of 2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionic and 2,3,3,3-tetrafluorothiopropionic acids and some unexpected cyclic products with the β-lactam structure are described. The molecular structures of the *c*-hexyl amide of 2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionic acid and two isomers of β-lactams deriving from the reaction of the *tert*-butyl amide of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylic acid with a fluoride source have been elucidated by XRD measurements.

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1. Introduction

2,3,3-Trifluoroacrylic acid and its derivatives are of great interest as synthons in organofluorine chemistry. However, the possibilities to use them are strictly limited due to the absence of convenient synthetic methods. The most simple, from a synthetic point of view, method to introduce a trifluorovinyl group into an organic molecule is via direct addition of this group to a carbonyl function. However, this approach can be successfully used solely to obtain perfluoroacrylic acid itself via reaction of lithium derivatives of some trifluoroethylenes with carbon dioxide [1]. In contrast, esters [2] and unsubstituted amides [3] of perfluoroacrylic acid were obtained in most cases from the corresponding derivatives of trifluoropropionic acid via halogen or hydrohalogenic acid elimination. Commonly, trifluoropropionic acid derivatives are not readily available, and their synthesis is a separate task. On the other hand, to our knowledge, synthesis and properties of substituted amides of perfluoroacrylic acid are not reported in the literature. Similarly, perfluorothioacrylic acid and its derivatives are not studied, and representatives of this class of compounds remain unknown until now. It is probable that such

compounds as well as derivatives of perfluoroacrylic acid will be of great interest as synthons in organofluorine chemistry.

We demonstrated previously that trimethyl(trifluoromethyl)silane in the presence of fluoride ions can conveniently be used to convert isocyanates and isothiocyanates into the corresponding trifluoroacetamides and trifluorothioacetamides [4].

In extension of our systematic studies on reactions of perfluorinated anions generated from the corresponding fluoroorgano silanes in the presence of fluoride ions with heterocumulenes of the type R–X = Y = Z, with X = N, S; Y = C, S; Z = O, S in different combinations, we now report on the reactions of isocyanates and isothiocyanates with trialkyl(trifluorovinyl)silanes (Alk₃SiCF = CF₂, Alk = Me, Et) in the presence of tetramethylammonium fluoride ([Me₄N]F) and the conversion of the synthesized amides of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylic and 2,3,3-trifluorothioacrylic acids under the influence of fluoride ions.

2. Results and discussion

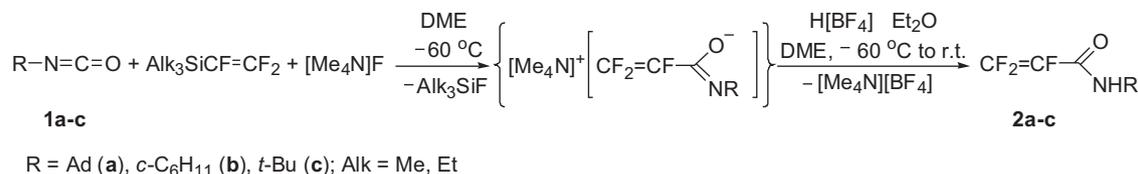
We found that the reaction of equimolar quantities of the isocyanates **1a–c**, Alk₃SiCF = CF₂ (Alk = Me, Et) and [Me₄N]F in dimethoxyethane (DME) at –60 °C proceeds selectively within 2 h; protolysis of the intermediates led to the formation of amides of trifluoroacrylic acid **2a–c** in 60–70% yields (Scheme 1).

Reaction intermediates in all cases were tetramethylammonium salts of the N-substituted amides of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylic acid which were directly formed after mixing of the reagents. Upon

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Scheme 1. Synthesis of **2a-c**.

treatment of these salts with H[BF₄]·Et₂O at –60 °C, they were converted selectively into the corresponding amides. We observed no significant difference upon usage of trimethyl- and triethyl(trifluorovinyl)silanes.

Compounds **2a-c** were isolated as colourless stable solids and were characterized by ¹H, ¹⁹F, ¹³C NMR and mass spectra. Elemental analyses supported the compositions. It should be noted that the reaction of ethyl- and phenylisocyanate with the system Alk₃SiCF=CF₂/F[–] (Alk = Me, Et) under similar conditions proceeded less selectively and led to product mixtures. Unfortunately, we failed to isolate the pure amides, but their formation was monitored by ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopy comparing the chemical shifts and couplings with those of the isolated products.

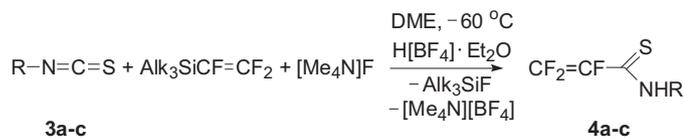
In order to extend this reaction to derivatives of 2,3,3-trifluorothioacrylic acid, we investigated the possibility of synthesising so far unknown amides of trifluorothioacrylic acid. The isothiocyanates **3a-c** react with the system Alk₃SiCF=CF₂/F[–], in a similar manner as described for **2a-c**, to yield the amides of trifluorothioacrylic acid **4a-c** (Scheme 2).

The thioamide **4a** was obtained using column chromatography in 50% yield as a yellow liquid. Its composition was elucidated by NMR spectroscopic methods, mass spectra and elemental analysis. The thioamides **4b** and **4c**, initially formed in 60–70% yields as monitored by ¹⁹F NMR spectroscopic means (relative to 1,4-difluorobenzene) exhibited to be less stable. Upon attempted isolation of compound **4b** using column chromatography, a great amount of **4b** decomposed finally leading to 15% of the neat product which was identified by NMR spectroscopic techniques and supported by satisfactory elemental analyses; amide **4c** could not be isolated and is proposed solely on its characteristic ¹⁹F NMR spectrum in comparison with those of **4a** and **b**. Compounds **4a,b** are stable in a dry argon atmosphere at –30 °C for several weeks exhibiting no visible decomposition, while in solution all thioamides completely decomposed within some days.

Earlier, we showed that trifluorovinyl containing alcohols react with fluoride anions via addition to the C=C double bond [5].

Next, we investigated the reactions of the amides of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylic and 2,3,3-trifluorothioacrylic acids with tetramethylammonium fluoride. Compounds **2a,b** react with one equivalent of [Me₄N]F in DME in a temperature range from –30 °C to room temperature to form the amides of 2,3,3-tetrafluoropropionic acid **5a,b** (Scheme 3).

It has to be pointed out that amides of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylic acid **2a,b** can be used without prior isolation in a reaction with [Me₄N]F opening an easy and convenient one-pot synthesis route to obtain of the amides **5a,b** in high yields (Scheme 4). A mechanistic explanation how the [Me₄N]-cation serves as a proton source cannot be given.

Scheme 2. Synthesis of **4a-c**.

Compounds **5a,b** were isolated as colourless stable solids in 62% and 65% yields, respectively, and were characterized by 1D and 2D NMR spectroscopic methods as well as EI mass spectra. Elemental analyses supported the compositions. Crystals of the amide **5b** suitable for XRD analysis were grown from pentane-hexane mixtures. The molecular structure of **5b** is depicted in Fig. 1. Crystallographic data are summarized in the experimental part. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in the caption of Fig. 1.

2.1. Description of the molecular structure of **5b**

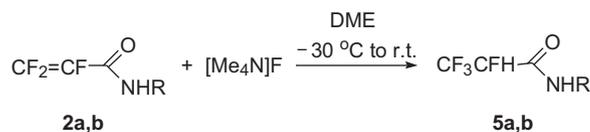
Compound **5b** crystallizes in the triclinic space group *P* $\bar{1}$ (no. 2) with two crystallographically independent molecules. All bond lengths and angles do not deviate from expectations for such a molecule. The carbon–oxygen distances of C13–O131 (123.3(3) pm) and C23–O231 (123.6(3) pm) clearly imply the character of a C=O double bond. Also the angles around C13 (N14) and C23 (N24) varying around 120 ± 5° describe a typical arrangement for an amide of a carboxylic acid.

In both independent molecules, the cyclohexyl groups reside in the chair conformation. In the packing, both molecules are connected to infinite chains along the crystallographic *a*-axis with alternating cyclohexyl groups exhibiting two intermolecular alternating graph set motifs C(4) [6] for hydrogen bridges following D–H (N14–H5) 82.5(22) pm; H…A (H5…O231) 208.9(24) pm; D…A (N14…O231) 288.2(9) pm; D–H…A 160.9(20)° and D–H (N24–H8) 79.6(25) pm; H…A (H8…O131) 213.9(23) pm; D…A (N24…O131) 289.7(15) pm; D–H…A 159.4(20)°.

Surprisingly, the analogous reaction of the amide **2c** with tetramethylammonium fluoride afforded not only the expected amide of *N-tert*-butyl-2,3,3-tetrafluoropropanamide **5c** but the unexpected β-lactams **6** and **7** (Scheme 5).

The amount of tetramethylammonium fluoride was found to be critical for the products formation ratio. Thus, compound **2c** reacted with [Me₄N]F in a molar ratio of 1:1 in DME in a temperature range between –30 °C to 20 °C to form the unprecedented mixture of the amide **5c** and the cyclic products **6** and **7** in a 9:1 ratio. Using a catalytic amount of tetramethylammonium fluoride caused lower amount of the amide **5c** (60%) but a concomitant increase of the formation of the products **6** and **7** (40%) (ratio approximately 3:2).

Most probably, attack of a fluoride ion at the double bond of **2c** initially affords the anion **8**. It should be noted that the trifluorovinyl group of compound **2c** is highly reactive toward nucleophiles. The nucleophilic addition of the anion **8** to the trifluorovinyl unit of **2c**, which leads to the formation of intermediates of type **A**, is accompanied by fluoride anion

Scheme 3. Synthesis of **5a,b**.

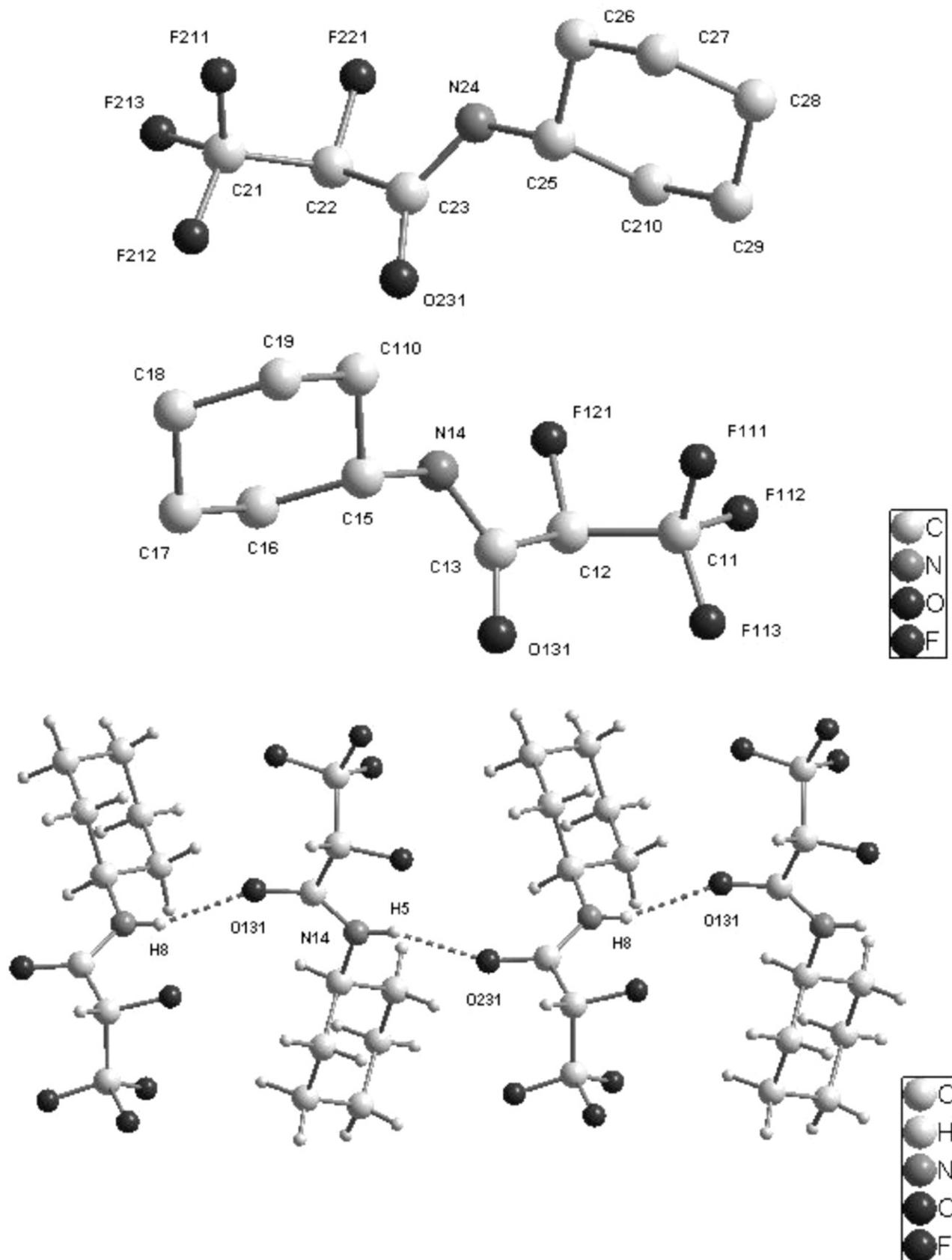


Fig. 1. Molecular structure of N-cyclohexyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropanamide (**5b**) with the corresponding numbering scheme depicted along the crystallographic *b*-axis (top); graph set motif C(4) (bottom). Selected bond lengths (pm) and angles ($^{\circ}$): C13–O131 123.3(3); C15(ring)–N14 146.9(16); N14–C13 132.2(14), C13–C12 152.8(17); C12–C11 150.7(6); C15–N14–C13 122.74(16); N14–C13–C12 116.54(16); N14–C13–O131 123.37(15); O131–C13–C12 117.09(15); C23–O231 123.6(3); C25(ring)–N24 146.2(6); N24–C23 132.6(11); C23–C22 151.4(7); C22–C21 151.1(16); C25–N24–C23 122.92(16); N24–C23–C22 117.21(15); N24–C23–O231 125.58(15); O231–C23–C22 117.21(14).

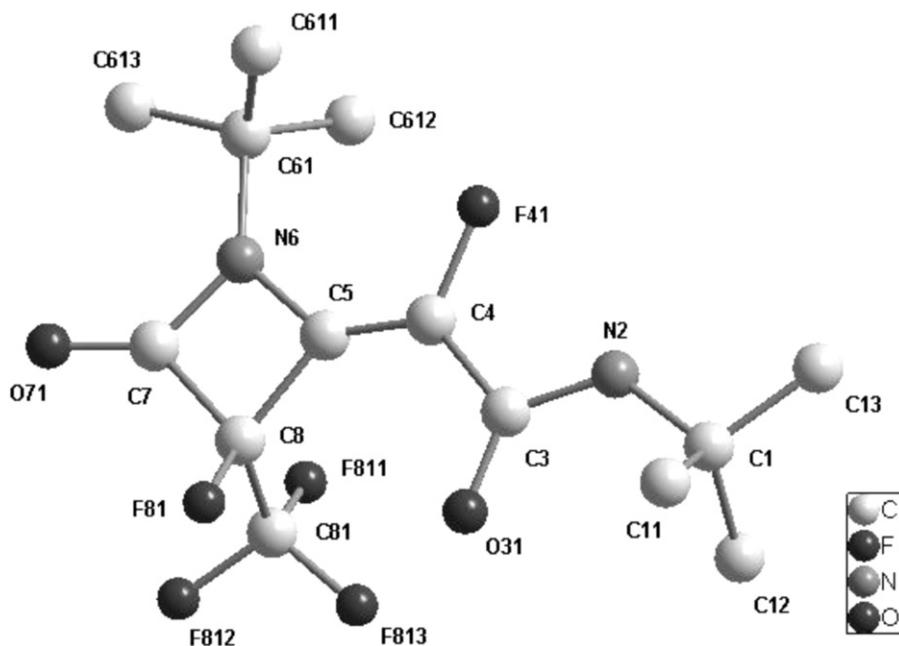


Fig. 2. Molecular structure of *N-tert-butyl-2-[1-tert-butyl-3-fluoro-4-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-azetidin-(2Z)-ylidene]-2-fluoro-acetamide (6)* with the corresponding numbering scheme. Selected bond lengths (pm) and angles ($^{\circ}$): C31–O31 121.8(6); C71–O71 122.2(6); C5–C4 130.7(6); C4–C3 149.4(7); C3–N2 132.9(6); N2–C1 149.3(6); ring; C5–C6 141.3(6); C7–C6 135.8(7); C7–N6–C5 93.5(5); N6–C5–C8 89.8(4); C5–C8–C7 83.9(4); C8–C7–C6 91.7(4); angular sum (4-membered ring) 359.3. Torsion angle C5–C4–C3–O31 $-5.23(83)$.

HMBC; $F, C\{^1H\}$ HSQC; $F, C\{^1H\}$ HMBC; H,H NOESY; F,F COSY; F,F NOESY; F,H HOESY). Some specific features have to be mentioned. In the ^{19}F NMR spectrum of the *Z*-isomer (**6**), the signal of the CF_3 group is split into a doublet (-74.2 , $^3J_{F,F} = 10.0$ Hz), that of the adjacent fluorine atom (-173.9 , $^3J_{F,F} = 10$ Hz; $^4J_{F,F} \approx 1$ Hz) into a quartet of doublets due to the coupling with the olefinic fluorine atom which itself occurs as a broadened singlet (-139.6 , $\Delta_{1/2} \approx 7$ Hz). The spatial vicinity of the olefinic fluorine atom and the

tert-butyl group attached to the β -lactam (shortest $d(F,H) \approx 226$ pm; shortest $d(F,C) \approx 306$ pm in the solid state) together with the rigidity of alkylidene azetidinone kernel effect long-range (“through space”) couplings of $^3J_{F,C} = 7$ Hz and $^6J_{F,H} = 0.9$ Hz. These phenomena are frequently observed for compounds showing similar spatial arrangements [13,14].

In the ^{19}F NMR spectrum of the *E*-isomer (**7**), signals of all fluorine groups are split into more or less complex multiplets.

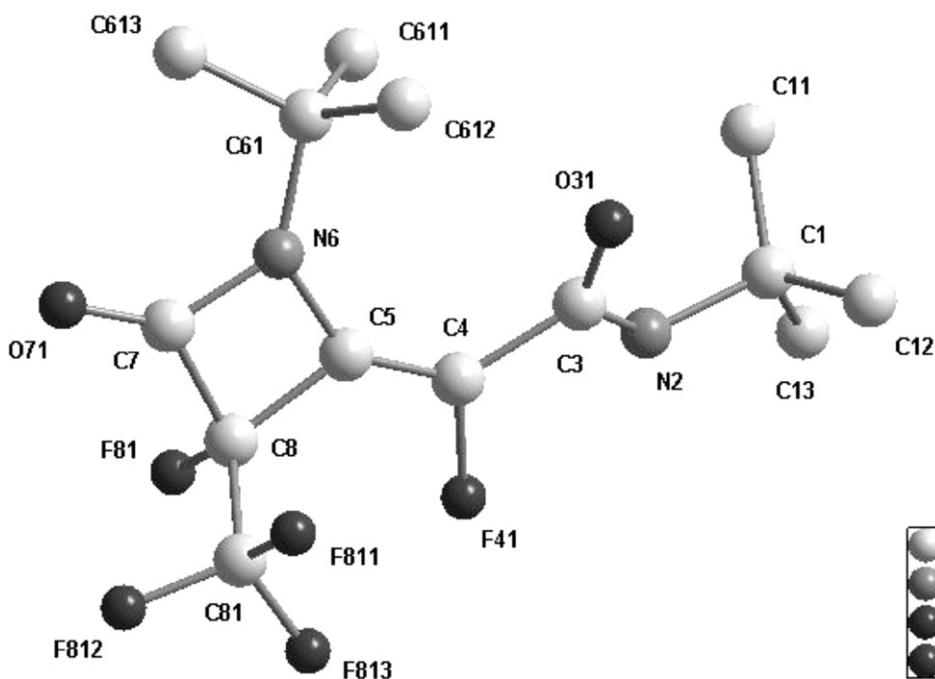


Fig. 3. Molecular structure of *N-tert-butyl-2-[1-tert-butyl-3-fluoro-4-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-azetidin-(2E)-ylidene]-2-fluoro-acetamide (7)* with the corresponding numbering scheme. Selected bond lengths (pm) and angles ($^{\circ}$): C31–O31 121.0(4); C71–O71 121.0(4); C5–C4 132.5(4); C4–C3 150.1(4); C3–N2 132.9(4); N2–C1 148.4(4); ring; C5–C6 142.5(4); C7–C6 138.4(4); C7–N6–C5 93.5(2); N6–C5–C8 90.8(2); C5–C8–C7 84.8(2); C8–C7–C6 91.0(2); angular sum (4-membered ring) 360.1. Torsion angle C5–C4–C3–O31 $+28.26(56)$.

Ad), 2.11 (broad s, 3H, Ad), 5.75 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.623 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 29.4 (3C, CH), 36.2 (3C, CH_2), 41.5 (3C, CH_2), 52.9 (C), 124.5 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 248$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 32$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 18$ Hz, =CF-), 156.0 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 298$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 41$ Hz, =CF $_2$), 156.5 (ddd, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 23$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 6.4$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.5$ Hz, CO). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -87.5 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 298$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 32$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CFF), -100.8 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 32$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 113$ Hz, =CFF), -181.1 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 248$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 113$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CF-). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 259 (90) $[\text{M}]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{F}_3\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}$ (259.27): C 60.22, F 21.98, H 6.22, N 5.4. Found: C 60.14, F 21.91, H 6.17, N 5.34.

4.3. N-Cyclohexyl-2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamide (2b)

Yield 0.71 g (69%), white solid, mp 103–104 °C. ^1H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.28 (m, 5H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.63 (m, 1H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.72 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.94 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 3.85 (m, 1H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 6.11 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.623 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 25.0 (2C, CH_2), 25.6 (CH_2), 33.0 (2C, CH_2), 48.5 (CH), 124.7 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 248$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 31$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 18$ Hz, =CF-), 156.2 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 297$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 42$ Hz, =CF $_2$), 156.9 (ddd, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 22$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 6.5$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.4$ Hz, CO). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -87.7 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 297$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 32$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CFF), -100.6 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 32$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 114$ Hz, =CFF), -183.7 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 248$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 114$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CF). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 207 (10) $[\text{M}]^+$, 126 (100) $[\text{M}-\text{C}_2\text{F}_3]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{F}_3\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}$ (207.2): C 52.17, F 27.51, H 5.84, N 6.76. Found: C 52.11, F 27.45, H 5.79, N 6.72.

4.4. N-tert-Butyl-2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamide (2c)

Yield 0.59 g (65%), white solid, mp 66–67 °C. ^1H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.43 (s, 9H, *tert*-Bu), 5.9 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.623 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 28.7 (3C, CH_3), 52.2 (C), 124.6 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 250$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 32$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 19$ Hz, =CF), 155.9 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 299$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 43$ Hz, =CF $_2$), 156.8 (ddd, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 21$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 6.5$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 5.5$ Hz, CO). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -87.6 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 299$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 31$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CFF), -100.7 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 31$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 114$ Hz, =CFF), -181.5 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 250$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 114$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CF-). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 181 (10) $[\text{M}]^+$, 166 (100) $[\text{M}-\text{CH}_3]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{F}_3\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}$ (181.16): C 46.41, F 31.46, H 5.56, N 7.73. Found: C 46.34, F 31.41, H 5.52, N 7.67.

4.5. General procedure for the synthesis of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamides 4

To a mixture of isothiocyanate **3** (5 mmol) and $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}]\text{F}$ (0.51 g, 5.5 mmol) in dimethoxyethane (DME) (30 mL) at -60 °C was added $\text{Et}_3\text{SiCF} = \text{CF}_2$ (1.23 g, 6.25 mmol) dropwise over a period of 30 min. The mixture was stirred for 90 min at -55 ± 5 °C and then $\text{HBF}_4 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (0.81 g, 5 mmol) was added. The mixture formed was allowed to warm to the room temperature and stirred for 1 h. All volatile components were removed in vacuo and the product was extracted into hexane. The precipitated $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}][\text{BF}_4]$ was filtered and the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The thioamides **4** were purified by silica gel column chromatography.

4.6. N-Cyclohexyl-2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamide (4a)

Yield 0.55 g (49%), yellow liquid, R_f 0.15 (hexane/benzene 4:1). ^1H NMR (400.14 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.25 (m, 3H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.38 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.64 (m, 1H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.73 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 2.05 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 4.44 (m, 1H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 7.45 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.623 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 24.9 (2C, CH_2), 25.7 (CH_2), 31.7 (2C, CH_2), 53.0 (CH), 128.8 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 246$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 21.5$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 22.6$ Hz,

=CF), 156.6 (ddd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 295$ Hz, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 302$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 48$ Hz, =CF $_2$), 179.4 (ddd, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 15$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 8.3$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{C,F}} = 4.6$ Hz, CS). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -85.6 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 295$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 14$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CFF), -95.9 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 302$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 14$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 116$ Hz, =CFF), -171.8 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 246$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 116$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CF-). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 223 (100) $[\text{M}]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{F}_3\text{H}_{12}\text{NS}$ (223.27): C 48.42, F 25.53, H 5.42, N 6.27. Found: C 48.33, F 25.48, H 5.39, N 6.22.

4.7. N-Ethyl-2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamide (4b)

Yield 0.13 g (15%), yellow liquid, R_f 0.17 (hexane/diethyl ether 9:1). ^1H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.32 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.76 (qd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.2$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 5.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 7.72 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (75.47 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 12.9 (CH_3CH_2), 39.6 (CH_3CH_2), 128.1 (=CF), 155.8 (=CF $_2$), 179.8 (CS). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -85.2 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 297$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 15$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CFF), -95.4 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 300$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 15$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 116$ Hz, =CFF), -170.7 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 248$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 116$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CF-). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 169 (100) $[\text{M}]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_5\text{F}_3\text{H}_6\text{NS}$ (169.18): C 35.50, F 33.69, H 3.57, N 8.28. Found: C 35.44, F 33.65, H 3.54, N 8.23.

4.8. N-Phenyl-2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamide (4c)

^{19}F (282.4 MHz, DME): δ -91.29 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 297$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 25$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CFF), -99.73 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 301$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,F}} = 25$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 117$ Hz, =CFF), -167.98 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 249$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Ftrans}} = 117$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,Fcis}} = 35$ Hz, =CF-).

4.9. General procedure for the synthesis of 2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionamides 5

Method A: To a solution of isocyanate **1** (5 mmol) in dimethoxyethane (DME) (25 mL) at -60 °C $\text{R}_3\text{SiCF} = \text{CF}_2$ (R = Me, Et) (6.25 mmol) and $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}]\text{F}$ (0.51 g, 5.5 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 2 h at -55 ± 5 °C and then $\text{HBF}_4 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ (0.81 g, 5 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at -35 ± 5 °C and $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}]\text{F}$ (0.46 g, 5 mmol) was added. The mixture formed was stirred for 1 h at -35 ± 5 °C and then allowed to reach room temperature. All volatile components were removed in vacuo and the product was extracted into hexane. The precipitated $[\text{Me}_4\text{N}][\text{BF}_4]$ was filtered and the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The amides **5** were purified by crystallization from pentane or sublimation.

4.10. N-1-Adamantyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionamide (5a)

Yield 0.87 g (62%), white solid, mp 105 °C. ^1H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.71 (broad s, 6H, Ad), 2.05 (broad s, 6H, Ad), 2.13 (broad s, 3H, Ad), 5.02 (dq, $^2J_{\text{H,F}} = 46.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,F}} = 6.5$ Hz, 1H, CHF), 5.98 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (75.47 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 29.4 (3C, CH), 36.1 (3C, CH_2), 41.2 (3C, CH_2), 53.1 (C), 85.4 (CFH), 120.8 (CF $_3$), 159.7 (CO). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -76.1 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 282$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 10.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,H}} = 6.5$ Hz, CF $_3$), -198.5 (dq, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 203$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,H}} = 46.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 10.9$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{F,H}} = 3.8$ Hz, CFH). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 279 (90) $[\text{M}]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{F}_4\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}$ (279.28): C 55.91, F 27.21, H 6.14, N 5.02. Found: C 55.84, F 27.17, H 6.11, N 4.99.

4.11. N-Cyclohexyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionamide (5b)

Yield 0.74 g (65%), white solid, mp 96 °C (lit. 89–90 °C [26]). ^1H NMR (400.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.25 (m, 5H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.61 (m, 1H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.69 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 1.88 (m, 2H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 3.81 (m, 1H, c-C $_6$ H $_{11}$), 5.02 (dq, $^2J_{\text{H,F}} = 46.4$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,F}} = 6.5$ Hz, 1H, CHF), 6.43 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.61 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 25.5 (d, $^6J_{\text{C,F}} = 3.7$ Hz, 2C,

CH₂), 26.1 (CH₂), 33.4 (d, ⁵J_{C,F} = 11.5 Hz, 2C, CH₂), 49.5 (CH), 86.2 (dq, ¹J_{C,F} = 203 Hz, ²J_{C,F} = 33 Hz, CFH), 121.5 (qd, ¹J_{C,F} = 282 Hz, ²J_{C,F} = 25 Hz, CF₃), 161.0 (d, ²J_{C,F} = 19 Hz, CO). ¹⁹F (376.4 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -76.2 (dd, ¹J_{F,C} = 282 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.8 Hz, ³J_{F,H} = 6.5 Hz, CF₃), -201.9 (dqdd, ¹J_{F,C} = 203 Hz, ²J_{F,H} = 46.4 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.8 Hz, ⁴J_{F,H} = 2.6 Hz, ⁶J_{F,H} = 1.3 Hz, CFH). MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 227 (10) [M]⁺, 146 (100) [M-C₂F₃]⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₉F₄H₁₃NO (227.21): C 47.58, F 33.45, H 5.77, N 6.16. Found: C 47.51, F 33.39, H 5.71, N 6.12.

Crystal data of **5b**: C₄H₁₃F₄NO, 227.20 g mol⁻¹. Diffractometer IPDS-II, Stoe Darmstadt; Mo-K_α - α (graphite monochromator, λ = 71.073 pm); T = 170(2) K; 2θ_{max} = 59.5°; 0° ≤ ω ≤ 180°, φ = 0°, 0° ≤ ω ≤ 54°, φ = 90°, Δω = 2°, 117 images; -13 ≤ h ≤ 13, -15 ≤ k ≤ 15, -15 ≤ l ≤ 15; ρ_{calc} = 1.401 g cm⁻³; 13,636 measured reflections of which 5916 were symmetrically independent; R_{int} = 0.0279; F(000) = 472; μ = 0.137 mm⁻¹. Triclinic, P $\bar{1}$ (no. 2), a = 962.2(2), b = 1113.9(2), c = 1145.8(2) pm, α = 64.54(1), β = 76.32(1), γ = 82.70(1)°, V = 1076.8(3) 10⁶ pm³, Z = 4; R values: R₁/wR₂ for 3614 reflections with [I₀ > 2σ(I₀)]: 0.0500/0.1358, for all data: 0.0832/0.1614; S_{all} = 1.038.

4.12. N-tert-Butyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionamide (**5c**)

Yield 0.61 g (61%), white solid, mp 55 °C. ¹H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.43 (s, 9H, CH₃), 4.95 (dq, ²J_{H,F} = 46.9 Hz, ³J_{H,F} = 6.6 Hz, 1H, CHF), 6.13 (broad s, 1H, NH). ¹³C (75.47 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 28.5 (3C, CH₃), 52.4 (C), 85.6 (CFH), 122.1 (CF₃), 160.0 (CO). ¹⁹F (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -76.1 (dd, ¹J_{F,C} = 282 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.9 Hz, ³J_{F,H} = 6.6 Hz, CF₃), -199.0 (dq, ¹J_{F,C} = 204 Hz, ²J_{F,H} = 46.9 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.9 Hz, ⁴J_{F,H} = 3.7 Hz, CFH). MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 201 (10) [M]⁺, 186 (100) [M-CH₃]⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₇F₄H₁₁NO (201.17): C 41.79, F 37.78, H 5.51, N 6.96. Found: C 41.73, F 37.70, H 5.48, N 6.92.

Method B: To a solution of 2,3,3-trifluoroacrylamide **2** (5 mmol) in dimethoxyethane (DME) (15 mL) at -35 °C [Me₄N]F (0.47 g, 5 mmol) was added. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at -35 ± 5 °C and then allowed to reach room temperature. All volatile components were removed in vacuo and the product was extracted into hexane. Insoluble impurities were filtered off and the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The amides **5a** and **5b** were purified by crystallization from pentane to yield 0.91 g (65%) and 0.76 g (67%), correspondingly. The amide **5c** and cyclic products **6** and **7** were separated by silica gel column chromatography.

N-tert-Butyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluoropropionamide (**5c**): Yield 0.36 g (36%).

4.13. N-tert-butyl-2-[1-tert-butyl-3-fluoro-4-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-azetidin-(2Z)-ylidene]-2-fluoro-acetamide (**6**)

Yield 0.38 g (22%), white solid, mp 141–142 °C, R_f 0.2 (hexane/diethyl ether 4:1). ¹H NMR (400.13 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.43 (s, 9H, CH₃ (t-Bu) amide), 1.54 (d, ⁶J_{H,F} = 0.9 Hz, 9H, CH₃ (t-Bu) lactam), 5.95 (broad s, Δ_{1/2} ≈ 12 Hz, 1H, NH). ¹³C (100.61 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 28.6 (3C, CH₃ (t-Bu) amide), 28.7 (d, ⁵J_{F,C} = 7 Hz, 3C, CH₃ (t-Bu) lactam), 51.8 (C (t-Bu) amide), 58.4 (C (t-Bu) lactam), 97.8 (CF(CF₃)), 120.1 (CF₃), 124.3 (FC = C lactam), 133.9 (FC = C lactam), 157.0 (CO amide), 158.4 (CO lactam). ¹⁹F (376.4 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -74.2 (d, ¹J_{F,C} = 284 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.0 Hz, CF₃), -139.0 (broad s, Δ_{1/2} ≈ 7 Hz, ¹J_{F,C} = 267 Hz, FC = C), -173.9 (qd, ¹J_{F,C} = 247 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.0 Hz, ⁴J_{F,F} ≈ 1 Hz, CF(CF₃)). MS(EI): *m/z* (%) = 342 (15) [M]⁺, 286 (55) [M-C₄H₈]⁺, 230 (100) [M-2C₄H₈]⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄F₅H₁₉N₂O₂ (342.31): C 49.12, F 27.75, H 5.59, N 8.18. Found: C 49.03, F 27.69, H 5.54, N 8.14.

Crystal data of **6**: C₁₄H₁₉F₅N₂O₂, 342.31 g mol⁻¹. Diffractometer IPDS-I, Stoe Darmstadt; Mo-K_α - α (graphite monochromator, λ = 71.073 pm); T = 293(2) K; 2θ_{max} = 56.3°; 0° ≤ φ ≤ 200°, Δφ = 2°, 100 images; -14 ≤ h ≤ 14, -23 ≤ k ≤ 23, -11 ≤ l ≤ 10; ρ_{calc} = 1.290 g cm⁻³; 12,401 measured reflections of which 3739

were symmetrically independent; R_{int} = 0.0955; F(000) = 712; μ = 0.121 mm⁻¹. Orthorhombic, Pca2₁ (no. 29), a = 1073.7(3), b = 1819.2(4), c = 902.6(2) pm, V = 1763.0(7) 10⁶ pm³, Z = 4; R values: R₁/wR₂ for 1223 reflections with [I₀ > 2σ(I₀)]: 0.0585/0.1074, for all data: 0.1862/0.1428; S_{all} = 0.824, Flackx = -0.1 (15).

4.14. N-tert-butyl-2-[1-tert-butyl-3-fluoro-4-oxo-3-trifluoromethyl-azetidin-(2E)-ylidene]-2-fluoro-acetamide (**7**)

Yield 0.26 g (15%), white solid, mp 83–84 °C, R_f 0.35 (hexane/diethyl ether 19:1). ¹H NMR (400.13 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.44 (s, 9H, CH₃ (t-Bu) amide), 1.62 (s, 9H, CH₃ (t-Bu) lactam), 6.16 (broad s, Δ_{1/2} ≈ 15 Hz, 1H, NH). ¹³C (100.61 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 28.2 (3C, CH₃ (t-Bu) amide), 28.5 (s, 3C, CH₃ (t-Bu) lactam), 52.0 (C (t-Bu) amide), 60.6 (C (t-Bu) lactam), 97.5 (CF(CF₃)), 120.1 (CF₃), 127.0 (FC = C lactam), 134.8 (FC = C lactam), 157.4 (CO amide), 157.6 (CO lactam). ¹⁹F (376.4 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -76.3 (dd, ¹J_{F,C} = 283 Hz, ⁵J_{F,F} = 13.6 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.9 Hz, CF₃), -143.4 (qdd, ¹J_{F,C} = 245 Hz, ⁵J_{F,F} = 13.6 Hz, ⁴J_{F,F} = 6.6 Hz, ⁴J_{F,H} = 4.5 Hz, FC = C), -177.6 (qd, ¹J_{F,C} = 242 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.9 Hz, ⁴J_{F,F} = 6.6 Hz, CF(CF₃)). MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 342 (10) [M]⁺, 286 (40) [M-C₄H₈]⁺, 230 (100) [M-2C₄H₈]⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₁₄F₅H₁₉N₂O₂ (342.31): C 49.12, F 27.75, H 5.59, N 8.18. Found: C 49.01, F 27.70, H 5.52, N 8.13.

Crystal data of **7**: C₁₄H₁₉F₅N₂O₂, 342.31 g mol⁻¹. Diffractometer IPDS-I, Stoe Darmstadt; Mo-K_α - α (graphite monochromator, λ = 71.073 pm); T = 293(2) K; 2θ_{max} = 56.3°; 0° ≤ φ ≤ 200°, Δφ = 2°, 100 images; -15 ≤ h ≤ 15, -12 ≤ k ≤ 13, -18 ≤ l ≤ 18; ρ_{calc} = 1.348 g cm⁻³; 14,258 measured reflections of which 3775 were symmetrically independent; R_{int} = 0.0613; F(000) = 712; μ = 0.127 mm⁻¹. Monoclinic, P2₁/c (no. 14), a = 1179.6(3), b = 1079.3(2), c = 1377.2(4) pm, β = 105.91(2)°, V = 1686.4(7) 10⁶ pm³, Z = 4; R values: R₁/wR₂ for 1732 reflections with [I₀ > 2σ(I₀)]: 0.0623/0.1542, for all data: 0.1343/0.1842; S_{all} = 0.975.

4.15. General procedure for the synthesis of 2,3,3,3-tetrafluorothiopropionamides **9**

To a mixture of isothiocyanate **3** (5 mmol) and [Me₄N]F (0.51 g, 5.5 mmol) in dimethoxyethane (DME) (30 mL) at -60 °C, Et₃SiCF = CF₂ (1.23 g, 6.25 mmol) was added dropwise over a period of 30 min. The mixture was stirred for 90 min at -55 ± 5 °C and then HBF₄·Et₂O (0.81 g, 5 mmol) was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min at -35 ± 5 °C and [Me₄N]F (0.47 g, 5 mmol) was added. The resulting mixture was stirred for 1 h at -35 ± 5 °C and then allowed to reach room temperature. All volatile components were removed in vacuo and the product was extracted into hexane. The precipitated [Me₄N][BF₄] was filtered and the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The thioamides **9** were purified by silica gel column chromatography.

4.16. N-Cyclohexyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluorothiopropionamide (**9a**)

Yield 0.63 g (52%), liquid, bp 64–65 °C/0.04 Torr, R_f 0.4 (hexane/diethyl ether 19:1). ¹H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 1.36 (m, 5H, c-C₆H₁₁), 1.73 (m, 3H, c-C₆H₁₁), 2.08 (m, 2H, c-C₆H₁₁), 4.41 (m, 1H, c-C₆H₁₁), 5.46 (dq, ²J_{H,F} = 46.9 Hz, ³J_{H,F} = 5.5 Hz, 1H, CHF), 7.72 (broad s, 1H, NH). ¹³C (100.47 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 24.4 (d, ⁶J_{F,C} = 4 Hz, 2C, CH₂), 25.3 (CH₂), 31.0 (d, ⁵J_{C,F} = 7 Hz, 2C, CH₂), 51.6 (CH), 90.9 (dq, ¹J_{C,F} = 209 Hz, ²J_{C,F} = 32 Hz, CFH), 120.5 (qd, ¹J_{C,F} = 283 Hz, ²J_{C,F} = 27 Hz, CF₃), 184.9 (d, ²J_{C,F} = 14 Hz, CS). ¹⁹F (282.4 MHz, CDCl₃): δ -75.8 (dd, ¹J_{F,C} = 283 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.9 Hz, ³J_{F,H} = 5.5 Hz, CF₃), -187.9 (dqdd, ¹J_{F,C} = 209 Hz, ²J_{F,H} = 46.9 Hz, ³J_{F,F} = 10.9 Hz, ⁴J_{F,H} = 5.6 Hz, ⁶J_{F,H} = 1.6 Hz, CFH). MS (EI): *m/z* (%) = 243 (100) [M]⁺. Anal. Calcd for C₉F₄H₁₃NS (243.28): C 44.43, F 31.24, H 5.39, N 5.76. Found: C 44.33, F 31.15, H 5.32, N 5.70.

4.17. N-Ethyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluorothiopropionamide (**9b**)

Yield 0.47 g (49%), liquid, bp 58 °C/10 Torr, R_f 0.15 (hexane/diethyl ether 19:1). ^1H NMR (400.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 1.33 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.2$ Hz, 3H, CH_3), 3.76 (qd, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.2$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 5.2$ Hz, 2H, CH_2), 5.49 (dq, $^2J_{\text{H,F}} = 46.8$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,F}} = 5.6$ Hz, 1H, CHF), 7.86 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 12.9 (CH_3), 34.5 (CH_2), 91.2 (dq, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 209$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 32$ Hz, CFH), 120.6 (qd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 283$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 27$ Hz, CF_3), 186.5 (d, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 14$ Hz, CS). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -76.9 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 283$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 11$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,H}} = 5.6$ Hz, CF_3), -189.5 (dqdd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 209$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,H}} = 46.8$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 11$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{F,H}} = 4.4$ Hz, CFH). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 189 (100) $[\text{M}]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_5\text{F}_4\text{H}_7\text{NS}$ (189.19): C 31.74, F 40.17, H 3.73, N 7.40. Found: C 31.65, F 40.09, H 3.68, N 7.35.

4.18. N-Phenyl-2,3,3,3-tetrafluorothiopropionamide (**9c**)

Yield 0.70 g (59%), yellow solid, mp 58 °C, R_f 0.25 (hexane/diethyl ether 9:1). ^1H NMR (300.13 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 5.63 (dq, $^2J_{\text{H,F}} = 46.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{H,F}} = 5.6$ Hz, 1H, CHF), 7.36 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 1H, C_6H_5), 7.46 (t, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 2H, C_6H_5), 7.77 (d, $^3J_{\text{H,H}} = 7.6$ Hz, 2H, C_6H_5), 9.28 (broad s, 1H, NH). ^{13}C (100.6 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 91.9 (dq, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 211$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 32$ Hz, CFH), 120.6 (qd, $^1J_{\text{C,F}} = 283$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 27$ Hz, CF_3), 123.6 (2C, C_6H_5), 128.1 (C, C_6H_5), 129.5 (2C, C_6H_5), 137.0 (C, C_6H_5), 184.4 (d, $^2J_{\text{C,F}} = 14$ Hz, CS). ^{19}F (282.4 MHz, CDCl_3): δ -75.6 (dd, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 283$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 11.2$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,H}} = 5.6$ Hz, CF_3), -184.9 (dq, $^1J_{\text{F,C}} = 211$ Hz, $^2J_{\text{F,H}} = 46.9$ Hz, $^3J_{\text{F,F}} = 11.2$ Hz, $^4J_{\text{F,H}} = 7.0$ Hz, CFH). MS (EI): m/z (%) = 237 (100) $[\text{M}]^+$. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{F}_4\text{H}_7\text{NS}$ (237.23): C 45.57, F 32.04, H 2.97, N 5.90. Found: C 45.49, F 31.97, H 2.93, N 5.84.

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