

# Facile and Convenient Synthetic Methods for Bis(trifluoroacetyl)ketene *N,O*-, *N,S*- and *S,S*-Acetals and 2,2-Bis(trifluoroacetyl)vinylamines and Sulfides

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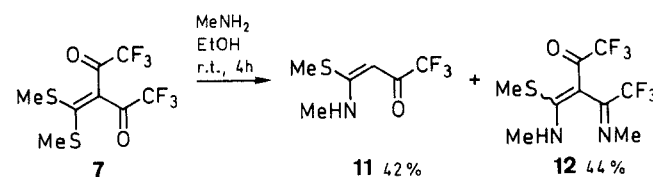
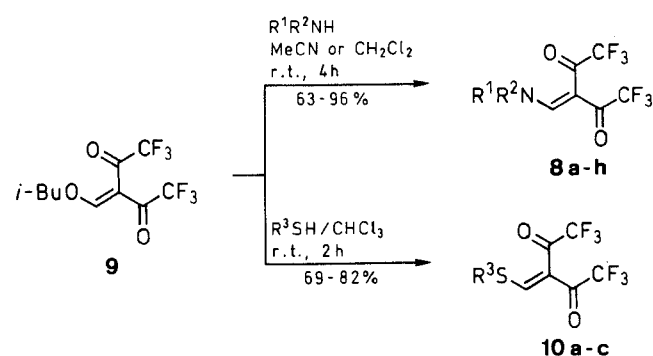
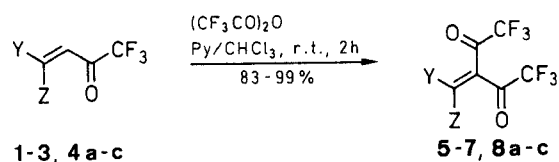
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Trifluoroacetylation of (trifluoroacetyl)ketene *N,O*-, *N,S*- and *S,S*-acetals [4-dialkylamino-4-ethoxy(methylthio)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-buten-2-one and 4,4-bis(methylthio)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-buten-2-one] gives the corresponding 1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-ones. 4-Amino- and 4-alkyl(aryl)thio-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-ones are obtained by O–N and O–S exchange reactions of 1,1,1-trifluoro-4-isobutoxy-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-one with amines and thiols, respectively.

In the course of our extensive investigations on the electrophilic<sup>1–5</sup> and nucleophilic<sup>6–9</sup> substitutions at olefinic carbon atoms, it was found that ketene dithioacetals,<sup>1</sup> vinyl ethers,<sup>2</sup> and orthoacetates<sup>3</sup> react with trifluoroacetic anhydride quite easily to afford the corresponding  $\beta$ -trifluoroacetylated compounds in high yields, and that these acylated compounds cleanly undergo nucleophilic O–N, S–N and then even N–N exchange reactions<sup>7,8</sup> with various nucleophiles under mild conditions. In order to extend and generalize these works, we have tried to synthesize bis(trifluoroacetyl)ketene *N,O*-, *N,S*- and *S,S*-acetals **5–7** and 2,2-bis(trifluoroacetyl)vinylamines **8** and sulfides **10**. Recently, the development of new methodologies for the synthesis of various fluorine-containing heterocycles has received a growing interest, since many kinds of these compounds are now widely recognized as important organic materials exhibiting interesting functionalities for use in medicinal and agricultural science.<sup>10–12</sup> The title compounds **5–8** and **10** could serve as versatile and useful building blocks in the construction of functionalized heterocycles bearing both trifluoromethyl and trifluoroacetyl groups.

With unexpected easiness, the bistrifluoroacetylation of (trifluoroacetyl)ketene *N,O*-, *N,S*- and *S,S*-acetals **1–3**<sup>1,8</sup> occurred cleanly at room temperature with the use of excess trifluoroacetic anhydride in the presence of pyridine to afford bis(trifluoroacetyl)ketene *N,O*-, *N,S*- and

*S,S*-acetals **5–7**, respectively, in more than 83% yield (Tables 1, 2). In the case of *S,S*-acetal **3** much longer reaction time (ca. 8 days) was required for completion of



8	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	8	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	10	R <sup>3</sup>
a	Me	Me	e	Ph	H	a	Et
b	<i>i</i> -Pr	<i>i</i> -Pr	f	4-MeOC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	H	b	PhCH <sub>2</sub>
c	–(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>4</sub> –		g	4-NO <sub>2</sub> C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	H	c	4-MeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>
d	Me	H	h	H	H		

**Table 1.** Acylation of **1–3**, **4a–c** with Trifluoroacetic Anhydride

Substrate	Product	Y	Z	Amount (CF <sub>3</sub> CO) <sub>2</sub> O	(equiv) py	Time (h)
<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	Me <sub>2</sub> N	EtO	7.0	2.0	2
<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	Et <sub>2</sub> N	MeS	4.0	2.0	17
<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	MeS	MeS	7.0	2.0	192
<b>4a</b>	<b>8a</b>	Me <sub>2</sub> N	H	1.5	1.5	2
<b>4b</b>	<b>8b</b>	<i>i</i> -Pr <sub>2</sub> N	H	1.5	1.5	2
<b>4c</b>	<b>8c</b>	1-pyrrolidinyl	H	1.5	1.5	2

the reaction. In contrast, the acylation of *N,N*-dialkyl-2-(trifluoroacetyl)vinylamines **4a–c**<sup>7</sup> proceeded very easily to give the corresponding 2,2-bistrifluoroacetylated compounds **8a–c** in excellent yields. Alternatively, **8a–c** could be obtained by the O–N exchange reaction of 2,2-bis(trifluoroacetyl)vinyl isobutyl ether **9**<sup>5</sup> with appropriate secondary amines. It is worth noting that this O–N exchange method of **9** with primary amines and aqueous ammonia became the sole route to *N*-alkyl (or aryl)-substituted and *N*-unsubstituted 2,2-bis(trifluoro-

**Table 2.** Compounds **5–8** and **10–12** Prepared

Substrate	Product	Yield <sup>a</sup> (%)	mp (°C) (solvent) or bp (°C)/mbar <sup>b</sup>	Molecular Formula <sup>c</sup>	IR (KBr) <sup>d</sup> ν (cm <sup>-1</sup> )	<sup>1</sup> H NMR (CDCl <sub>3</sub> /TMS) <sup>e</sup> δ, J (Hz)
<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	83	115–116 (hexane/benzene)	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>11</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> (307.2)	1668, 1640, 1594	1.44 (t, 3 H, <i>J</i> = 7, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.36 (s, 6 H, NCH <sub>3</sub> ), 4.45 (q, 2 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> )
<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	90	74–75 (benzene)	C <sub>11</sub> H <sub>13</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> S (337.3)	1640, 1590	1.00–1.70 (m, 6 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ), 2.55 (s, 3 H, SCH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.60–4.10 (m, 4 H, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> )
<b>3</b>	<b>7</b> <sup>f</sup>	99	27–30 (hexane)	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>6</sub> F <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S <sub>2</sub> (312.3)	1733, 1705, 1680	2.62 (s, 6 H, CH <sub>3</sub> )
<b>4a</b>	<b>8a</b>	87	53–54 (benzene)	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>7</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> (263.1)	1686, 1647, 1600	2.79 (s, 3 H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.47 (s, 3 H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.78 (s, 1 H, NCH=)
<b>9</b>	<b>8b</b>	90				1.28 (d, 6 H, <i>J</i> = 6, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 1.37 (d, 6 H, <i>J</i> = 6, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.20–4.09 (m, 2 H, CH), 7.66 (s, 1 H, NCH=)
<b>4b</b>	<b>8b</b>	85	108–109 (benzene)	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>15</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> (319.2)	1710, 1640, 1585	1.93–2.50 [br, 4 H, NCH <sub>2</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> ], 2.67–3.17 (br, 2 H, NCH <sub>2</sub> ), 3.67–4.00 (br, 2 H, NCH <sub>2</sub> ), 7.73 (s, 1 H, NCH=)
<b>9</b>	<b>8b</b>	96				3.30 (d, 3 H, <i>J</i> = 5, NCH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.83 (s, 1 H, NCH=), 10.09–11.09 (br, 1 H, NH)
<b>4c</b>	<b>8c</b>	98	89–90 (benzene)	C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>9</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> (289.2)	1690, 1645, 1590	7.33 (br, s, 5 H <sub>arom</sub> ), 8.33 (d, 1 H, <i>J</i> = 14, NCH=), 11.66–12.66 (br, 1 H, NH) <sup>g</sup>
<b>9</b>	<b>8c</b>	91				3.77 (s, 3 H, OCH <sub>3</sub> ), 6.77–7.30 (m, 4 H <sub>arom</sub> ), 8.22 (d, 1 H, <i>J</i> = 14, NCH=), 12.00–12.83 (br, 1 H, NH)
<b>9</b>	<b>8d</b>	77	68–69 (CHCl <sub>3</sub> )	C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>5</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> (249.1)	3350, 1705, 1640, 1605	7.37 (d, <i>J</i> = 9, 2 H <sub>arom</sub> ), 8.17 (d, <i>J</i> = 9, 2 H <sub>arom</sub> ), 8.30 (d, 1 H, <i>J</i> = 12, NCH=), 12.23 (br d, 1 H, <i>J</i> = 12, NH) <sup>h</sup>
<b>9</b>	<b>8e</b>	63	93–94 (EtOAc)	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>7</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> (311.2)	3400, 1702, 1655, 1621, 1616, 1586	7.97 (d, 1 H, <i>J</i> = 14, NCH=), 9.00–11.70 (br, 2 H, NH <sub>2</sub> ) <sup>h</sup>
<b>9</b>	<b>8f</b>	77	105–106 (CHCl <sub>3</sub> )	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>9</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>3</sub> (341.2)	3300–2740, 1693, 1640, 1617, 1605, 1583	1.45 (t, 3 H, <i>J</i> = 7, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.00 (q, 2 H, <i>J</i> = 7, CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> ), 8.65 (s, 1 H, SCH=)
<b>9</b>	<b>8g</b>	96	123–124 (EtOAc)	C <sub>12</sub> H <sub>6</sub> F <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub> O <sub>4</sub> (356.2)	3375, 1707, 1655, 1625, 1587	4.10 (s, 2 H, CH <sub>2</sub> ), 7.20 (s, 5 H <sub>arom</sub> ), 8.63 (s, 1 H, SCH=)
<b>9</b>	<b>8h</b>	82	143–144 (EtOAc)	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>3</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub> (235.1)	3356, 3240, 1650, 1550	2.40 (s, 3 H, CH <sub>3</sub> ), 7.27 (s, 4 H <sub>arom</sub> ), 8.80 (s, 1 H, SCH=)
<b>9</b>	<b>10a</b>	82	70/1.3	C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>6</sub> F <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S (280.2)	1705, 1685, 1474 <sup>i</sup>	2.45 (s, 3 H, SCH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.08 (d, 3 H, <i>J</i> = 6, NCH <sub>3</sub> ), 5.30 (s, 1 H, =CHCO), 10.80–11.80 (br, 1 H, NH)
<b>9</b>	<b>10b</b>	78	120/1.3	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>8</sub> F <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S (342.3)	1702, 1680, 1474 <sup>i</sup>	2.40 (s, 3 H, SCH <sub>3</sub> ), 3.30–3.40 (m, 6 H, NCH <sub>3</sub> and =NCH <sub>3</sub> ), 11.80–12.70 (br, 1 H, NH)
<b>9</b>	<b>10c</b>	69	59–60 (hexane)	C <sub>13</sub> H <sub>8</sub> F <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S (342.3)	1712, 1676, 1473	
<b>7</b>	<b>11</b> <sup>g</sup>	42	97–98 (hexane)	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>8</sub> F <sub>3</sub> NOS (199.2)	3410, 1600, 1575, 1515, 1502	
<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	44	69–70 (hexane)	C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> F <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub> OS (308.2)	3425, 1588	

<sup>a</sup> Yield of isolated products.<sup>b</sup> Oven temperature of Kugelrohr distillation.<sup>c</sup> Satisfactory microanalyses obtained (except for **7**): C ± 0.45, H ± 0.14, N ± 0.31, F ± 0.14; exception: **8a**, F – 0.45; **12**, F + 0.63; **8b**, **e**, **g**, F not analyzed.<sup>d</sup> Recorded on a Hitachi Model EPI-G3 grating spectrophotometer.<sup>e</sup> Measured using a JEOL PMX-60SI spectrometer.<sup>f</sup> The structure of **7** was confirmed by its conversion to **11** and **12** by reaction with MeNH<sub>2</sub>.<sup>g</sup> In CD<sub>3</sub>CN.<sup>h</sup> In CD<sub>3</sub>CN/CDCl<sub>3</sub>.<sup>i</sup> Measured as film.

roacetyl)vinylamines **8d–h**, because the acylation of *N*-alkyl (or aryl)-substituted and *N*-unsubstituted 2-(trifluoroacetyl)vinylamines occurred not at the olefinic C-atom but at the nitrogen. Likewise, 2,2-bis(trifluoroacetyl)vinyl sulfides **10a–c** were prepared in fair yields by O–S exchange reaction of **9** with appropriate thiols under mild conditions. In this case, for example, attempted trifluoroacetylation of ethyl 2-(trifluoroacetyl)vinyl sulfide failed even under forced conditions. The diacylation reaction will probably be inhibited by the presence of 2-substituent, the trifluoroacetyl group.<sup>1</sup>

The structure of the new compounds **5**, **6**, **8**, **10** were supported by <sup>1</sup>H NMR, IR and microanalyses. However, purification for microanalysis of **7** was difficult. Therefore, the structural assignment was confirmed by its <sup>1</sup>H NMR and IR spectra, and further conversion of **7** into **11**<sup>8</sup> and **12** by reaction with methylamine in ethanol at room temperature for 4 hours.

In conclusion, facile and convenient synthetic methods for various bis(trifluoroacetyl)ketene *N,O*-, *N,S*-, *S,S*-acetals, 2,2-bis(trifluoroacetyl)vinylamines and sulfides were established. Further investigations for the synthetic utilization of these new CF<sub>3</sub>-containing compounds are currently under way in our laboratory.

#### 4-Dimethylamino-4-ethoxy-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-one (**5**); Typical Procedure:

Trifluoroacetic anhydride (16.6 g, 79 mmol) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of **1** (2.39 mg, 11.3 mmol) and pyridine (1.82 g, 23 mmol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (40 mL) and stirring was continued at r. t. for 2 h. The mixture was washed with aq 10% Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (300 mL), 2N HCl (300 mL) and finally H<sub>2</sub>O (300 mL), extracted with CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (300 mL), and dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>). The solvent was evaporated to give diacylketene *N,O*-acetal **5**; yield: 2.88 g (83%).

C <sub>10</sub> H <sub>11</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>3</sub>	calc.	C 39.10	H 3.61	F 37.11	N 4.56
(307.2)	found	38.82	3.50	37.15	4.79

#### 4-Dimethylamino-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-one (**8a**) by O–N Exchange Reaction; Typical Procedure:

To a solution of **9** (2.00 g, 6.85 mmol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (15 mL) was added 50% aq Me<sub>2</sub>NH (680 mg, 7.54 mmol). The mixture was stirred at r. t. for 4 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded 2,2-diacylvinylamine **8a**; yield: 1.44 g (80%).

C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>7</sub> F <sub>6</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	calc.	C 36.52	H 2.68	F 43.33	N 5.32
(263.1)	found	36.14	2.58	42.88	5.01

In the reactions of **9** with aq Me<sub>2</sub>NH (50%), MeNH<sub>2</sub> (40%) and NH<sub>3</sub> (28%), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> was used as a solvent.

#### 4-Ethylthio-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-one (**10a**) by O–S Exchange Reaction; Typical Procedure:

To a stirred solution of **9** (2.00 g, 6.85 mmol) in CHCl<sub>3</sub> (3 mL) was added EtSH (0.51 mL, 6.83 mmol) and allowed to stand at r. t. for 2 h. The mixture was concentrated and the residue was distilled under reduced pressure to give pure 2,2-diacylvinyl sulfide **10a**; yield: 1.57 g (82%).

C <sub>8</sub> H <sub>6</sub> F <sub>6</sub> O <sub>2</sub> S	calc.	C 34.29	H 2.16	F 40.68
(280.2)	found	34.74	2.12	40.71

#### Reaction of 4,4-Bis(methylthio)-1,1,1-trifluoro-3-(trifluoroacetyl)-3-buten-2-one (**7**) with Methylamine:

To a stirred solution of **7** (2.00 g, 6.40 mmol) in EtOH (15 mL) was added dropwise 40% aq MeNH<sub>2</sub> (3.98 g, 51.21 mmol) and stirring was continued at r. t. for 4 h. The solvent was removed in vacuo and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (100 mL) was added to the residue. The solution was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>) and concentrated to afford a crude mixture of **11** and **12**, which was chromatographed on a silica gel column (5 × 15 cm; 200 mesh) using EtOAc/MeOH as eluent to give **11** [yield: 535 mg (42%); mp 97–98°C (Lit.<sup>8</sup> mp 97–98°C)] and **12** [yield: 868 mg (44%)].

C <sub>9</sub> H <sub>10</sub> F <sub>6</sub> N <sub>2</sub> OS ( <b>12</b> )	calc.	C 35.07	H 3.27	F 36.98	N 9.09
(308.2)	found	35.24	3.38	37.61	9.16

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