# Synthesis and Epoxidation of 1,3-, 1,4-, and 1,5-Alkadienes with Pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl (SF<sub>5</sub>) Groups

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**Abstract:** This paper describes a convenient and efficient synthesis of new pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl-containing 1,3-, 1,4- and 1,5-alkadienes and their epoxidation. These compounds are useful as monomers or as intermediates in the preparation of polymers, polymer surface coating and SF<sub>5</sub>-containing heterocyclic compounds.

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Compounds in which a pentafluorothio group is present are of special interest because they often possess the advantageous properties of the parent compound  $SF_6$ , among which are a high group electronegativity, large steric bulk, a nonfunctional hexacoordinate stereochemistry, and high thermal and hydrolytic stability. These new properties are manifested in a multitude of uses, or potential uses, such as fumigants, as perfluorinated blood substitutes, as thermally and chemically stable systems,<sup>1</sup> as energetic materials<sup>2</sup> and rocket fuels.<sup>3</sup> Besides, the high radiative and chemical stability of the pentafluorothio group make these compounds attractive as replacements for compounds that contain a trifluoromethyl group.

One of the most promising methods of preparation of pentafluorosulfanyl-containing compounds is pentafluorosulfanylation of unsaturated substrates.<sup>4</sup> Compounds with the pentafluorosulfanyl group have been synthesized earlier.<sup>5</sup> At the same time, the preparation of SF<sub>5</sub>-alkadienes with terminal CH<sub>2</sub>-group, to the best of our knowledge, has not been described hitherto. Therefore, we have developed a convenient approach to the synthesis of pentafluorosulfanyl-containing 1,3-, 1,4- and 1,5-alkadienes and studied their reactivity.

1-Pentafluorosulfanylpenta-1,4-diene (5) and 1-pentafluorosulfanylhexa-1,5-diene (6) have been prepared by similar two-step syntheses. In both cases, the first step is the photo-induced radical addition of pentafluorosulfanyl chloride to the corresponding 1,4- and 1,5-dienes with the formation of adducts 1 and 3, respectively (Scheme 1). These reactions were performed at room temperature in a quartz ampule with Hg lamp as a source of irradiation. In reactions with 1,4- and 1,5-dienes, bis-adducts 2 and 4, respectively, are formed as by-products in the yields of 10– 15%. Products 1-4 were isolated by vacuum distillation and their structures proved by <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spec-

SYNTHESIS 2005, No. 8, pp 1245–1250 Advanced online publication: 23.03.2005 DOI: 10.1055/s-2005-861859; Art ID: P14204SS © Georg Thieme Verlag Stuttgart · New York troscopy data. All products are formed by attack of  $F_5S$  radical on terminal carbon atom, i.e., the studied photochemical reactions are completely regioselective.





The second step of the preparation of alkadienes **5** and **6** is the dehydrochlorination of monoadducts **1** and **3** respectively by heating with  $K_2CO_3$  in sulfolane at 60 °C during 3 hours (Scheme 2). Elimination of hydrogen chloride was monitored using thin layer chromatography. The formation of 1-pentafluorosulfanylhexa-1,5-diene (**6**) is straightforward. The formation of 1-pentafluorosulfanylpenta-1,4-diene (**5**) is accompanied by its partial isomerization to 1-pentafluorosulfanylpenta-2,4-diene. The extent of this isomerization increased with temperature. Therefore, 1,4-pentadiene **5** was isolated by column chromatography on silica gel where as distillation at reduced pressure was used for isolation of thermally stable product **6**.



Scheme 2

We have tried to synthesize 1-pentafluorosulfanylbuta-1,3-diene by a similar two-step approach using photochemical addition of  $F_5SCl$  to unsaturated substrate followed by HCl elimination. For that we have used 3chlorobut-1-ene as the substrate. Indeed, adduct 7 is formed in good yield. It has been isolated in pure form by vacuum distillation. Unfortunately, transformation of this adduct into the 1,3-diene by elimination of two molecules of hydrogen chloride with  $K_2CO_3$  in DMF or sulfolane failed.

We have now found that heating 7 with potassium carbonate at 55–60 °C leads to elimination of one HCl molecule only with formation of 3-chloro-1-pentafluorosulfanylbut-1-ene (8). Compound 8 is stable under these conditions; elimination of a second HCl molecule is not observed with the increase of reaction time. The dehydrochlorination of 7 at higher temperature (75–80 °C) proceeds with formation of the mixture of 8 and 2,3dichlorobut-1-ene (9) in a ratio of 2:1 (Scheme 3).



#### Scheme 3

The formation of dichloride 9 is the result of elimination of HSF<sub>5</sub> from adduct 7. So, under these conditions the  $F_5S$ group behaves as a pseudohalide and competes with the chlorine atom in a base-induced elimination reaction. This is unexpected while the interaction between bases and alkyl halides containing a F<sub>5</sub>S group leads usually to elimination of hydrogen halide but not HSF<sub>5</sub>. The formation of 9 can be explained by the increased acidity of H-2 atom in 2,3-dichloro-1-pentafluorosulfanylbutane (7) due to inductive effects of electron-withdrawing substituents both at C-1 and at C-3 atoms. Therefore, dehydrochlorination of 7 at 55-60 °C leads to elimination of one HCl molecule only. Increase of reaction temperature to 80 °C gives rise to both the same dehydrochlorination and to elimination of HSF<sub>5</sub> but 1-pentafluorosulfanylbuta-1,3-diene is not obtained.

Therefore, we have used another approach to the synthesis of 1-pentafluorosulfanylbuta-1,3-diene. But-3-en-2-ol underwent photochemical reaction with  $F_5SCl$  to yield adduct **10**. Treatment of compound **10** with KOH in diethyl ether affords allyl alcohol **11**. The reaction is mild and relatively fast: full conversion of **10** required 3 hours at 25–30 °C. Unsaturated alcohol **11** has been isolated by vacuum distillation. Exclusive formation of the *trans*-isomer

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in this elimination has been proved by <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy. The final step of our synthesis of 1pentafluorosulfanylbuta-1,3-diene (**12**) was dehydration of alcohol **11**. We have found that removing the product from the reaction mixture increases the yield of **12**. Hence, the reaction was performed under reduced pressure with simultaneous distillation of formed 1,3-diene into a cooled trap. This procedure provided 1-pentafluoro-sulfanylbuta-1,3-diene (**12**) in 35–40% yield (Scheme 4).



Scheme 4

The structures of 1-pentafluorosulfanylhexa-1,5-diene (6), 1-pentafluorosulfanylpenta-1,4-diene (5), and 1-pentafluorosulfanylbuta-1,3-diene (12) have been unambiguously proved using <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy. The most useful for this was the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy. Coupling constants  $J_{C,F}$  of carbon atom connected directly to  $F_5S$  group as well as  $J_{C,F}$  of atom C-2 are characteristic for the compounds containing pentafluorosulfanyl substituent:  $\delta_{C-1} = 141.74$  (doublet of a pentet,  $J_{C-1,F'} = 1.6$  Hz,  $J_{C-1,F} = 20.4 \text{ Hz}$ ;  $\delta_{C-2} = 136.62$  (pentet,  $J_{C-2,F} = 7.5 \text{ Hz}$ ). C-3 and C-4 are singlets; their chemical shifts are the following:  $\delta_{C-3} = 131.35$  (s) and  $\delta_{C-4} = 126.54$  (s). The <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra for compounds 5, 6 and 12 showed no significant deviations from the chemical shifts or coupling constants found for other unsaturated derivatives of sulfur hexafluoride. The chemical shifts of the apical fluorine atom in the SF<sub>5</sub>-group were in the range of  $\delta = 140-141$ , while the basal fluorines were observed at  $\delta = 160-161$ , with the typical appearance of the AB<sub>4</sub>-spin system,  $J_{A,B} = 144 - 151$  Hz.

We have studied the epoxidation of  $F_5S$ -containing unsaturated compounds **5**, **6** and **12** by *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid.<sup>6</sup> After 72 hours, these dienes were converted into monoepoxides **13–15** in 80–90% yields (Scheme 5). Epoxides **14** and **15** were also synthesized from adducts **1** and **3** by a two-step procedure. In the first step, these chloroalkenes were epoxidized with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid; the second step is HCl elimination from the obtained chloroalkyl epoxides **16** and **17**.

In all cases, unsubstituted terminal double bond is exclusively epoxidized. Double bond connected directly to  $F_5S$  group fails to react with the electrophilic oxidant. This can be explained on account of the significant steric and electron-withdrawing effects of pentafluorosulfanyl groups.





The epoxides **13–15** have been characterized by <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>19</sup>F and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy.

In summary, we have described an easy and convenient method for the preparation of new, synthetically valuable 1,3-, 1,4-, and 1,5-alkadienes with pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl (SF<sub>5</sub>) groups. The epoxidations of compounds **1**, **3**, **5**, **6**, **12** with *meta*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid occur in high yield. In all cases, double bond connected directly to F<sub>5</sub>S group fails to react with the electrophilic oxidant. Future studies on this potentially important synthetic methodology are currently in progress. Applications of 1,3-, 1,4-, and 1,5-alkadienes containing pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl (SF<sub>5</sub>) groups to the synthesis of interesting heterocycles will be reported in due course.

NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker CXP-200 spectrometer at 200 MHz (<sup>1</sup>H NMR), 188.3 MHz (<sup>19</sup>F NMR) and 50.3 MHz (<sup>13</sup>C NMR). Chemical shifts for <sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR are reported in ppm relative to TMS as internal standard. <sup>19</sup>F downfield shifts ( $\delta$ ) are expressed with a positive sign, relative to external CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H. Starting materials penta-1,4-diene, hexa-1,5-diene, 3-chlorobut-1-ene, but-3-en-2-ol, *meta*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid are commercially available. SF<sub>5</sub> was prepared from F<sub>4</sub>S according to the literature procedure.<sup>7</sup>

# 4-Chloro-5-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)pent-1-ene (1); Typical Procedure

A mixture of penta-1,4-diene (8.16 g, 0.12 mol),  $F_5SCl$  (16.2 g, 0.1 mol) and  $Cl_3CF$  (10 mL) contained in a Pyrex ampule was irradiated for 2 h with UV light from a Hanovia S500 lamp placed at a distance of 30 cm. The reaction mixture was freed from  $Cl_3CF$  by distillation leaving 24 g of a brownish oil. The oil was distilled in vacuo, giving 18.5 g (80%) of **1**; bp 48 °C/8 mm Hg and 3.4 g (15%) of **2**; bp 101 °C/2 mm Hg.

#### **Compound 1**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.61$  (m, 3 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.93 (dpent, 2 H,  $J_{\rm H,F} = 8.0$  Hz,  $J_{\rm H,F} = 6.0$  Hz,  $F_{\rm 5}SCH_{2}$ ), 4.42 (pent, 1 H,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 6.0$  Hz, CHCl), 5.21 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 18.1$  Hz,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 1.4$ Hz, = CCHH), 5.23 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 9.0$  Hz,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 1.4$ Hz, =CCHH), 5.85 (ddt, 1 H,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 18.1$  Hz,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 9.0$  Hz,  $J_{\rm H,H} = 6.9$  Hz, CH=). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 41.38 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.26 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 4.2$  Hz, CHCl), 75.74 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 13.4$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 1.0$  Hz,  $F_5SCH_2$ ), 120.04 (s, =CH<sub>2</sub>), 131.62 (s, CH=).

 $^{19}{\rm F}$  NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 144.01 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{\rm F,F}$  = 146.0 Hz), 160.83 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{\rm F,F}$  = 146.0 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_5H_8ClF_5S$  (230.63): C, 26.04; H, 3.50; F, 41.19; S, 13.90. Found: C, 26.12; H, 3.49; F, 41.36; S, 14.02.

#### Compound 2

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.29$  (d, 1 H,  $J_{H,F} = 5.5$  Hz, CHH), 2.33 (d, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 5.7$  Hz, CHH), 3.91 (ddpent, 2 H,  $J_{H,F} = 8.0$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 14.3$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 7.7$  Hz, 2 F<sub>5</sub>SCHH), 4.10 (ddpent, 2 H,  $J_{H,F} = 8.5$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 14.3$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 5.1$  Hz, 2 F<sub>5</sub>SCHH), 4.69 (m, 2 H, 2 CHCl).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 44.54 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.2 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 52.44 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 4.8 Hz, 2 CHCl), 75.75 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 14.0 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.0 Hz, 2  $F_5$ SCH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 144.40 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.0 Hz), 161.20 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.0 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_5H_8Cl_2F_{10}S_2$  (393.14): C, 15.28; H, 2.05; F, 48.32; S, 16.31. Found: C, 15.12; H, 1.97; F, 48.46; S, 16.44.

# 5-Chloro-6-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)hex-1-ene (3)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **1**, hexa-1,5-diene (9.8 g, 0.12 mol) was allowed to react with  $F_5SCl$  (16.2 g, 0.1 mol). Distillation at reduced pressure gave 20.7 g (85%) of compound **3**; bp 61/7 mm Hg and 3.1 g (13%) of compound **4**; bp 110 °C/2 mm Hg.

#### Compound 3

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.85 (m, 1 H, CHH), 2.03 (m, 1 H, CHH), 2.31 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.90 (ddpent, 1 H, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.2 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 14.3 Hz, J<sub>H,F</sub> = 8.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCHH), 4.03 (ddpent, 1 H, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.2 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 14.3 Hz, J<sub>H,F</sub> = 8.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCHH), 4.36 (tt, 1 H, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.2 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 19.6 Hz, CHCl), 5.11 (ddd, 1 H, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 17.1 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 1.5 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 1.5 Hz, =CCHH), 5.07 (dd, 1 H, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 10.1 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 10.1 Hz, J<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.3 Hz, CH=CH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 30.05 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 36.45 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 14.2$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.92 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 4.4$  Hz, CHCl), 76.72 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 13.8$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 0.9$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH<sub>2</sub>), 118.57 (s, =CH<sub>2</sub>), 135.82 (s, CH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 144.03 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.1 Hz), 160.96 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.1 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>ClF<sub>5</sub>S (244.66): C, 29.46; H, 4.12; F, 38.83; S, 13.11. Found: C, 29.30; H, 4.07; F, 38.97; S, 13.25.

#### **Compound 4**

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.11$  (m, 4 H, 2 CH<sub>2</sub>), 3.90 (ddpent, 2 H,  $J_{H,F} = 8.1$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 14.4$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 7.1$  Hz, 2 F<sub>5</sub>SCHH), 4.08 (ddpent, 2 H,  $J_{H,F} = 8.4$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 14.4$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 5.0$  Hz, 2 F<sub>5</sub>SCHH), 4.42 (m, 2 H, 2CHCl).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 33.23 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.5 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 34.19 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.5 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 54.35 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 5.5 Hz, CHCl), 54.98 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 5.4 Hz, CHCl), 76.21 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 13.6 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>), 76.27 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 13.4 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 144.12, 144.19 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.1 Hz), 160.47, 160.48 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.1 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_6H_{10}Cl_2F_{10}S_2$  (407.16): C, 17.70; H, 2.48; F, 46.66; S, 15.75. Found: C, 17.54; H, 2.39; F, 46.80; S, 15.85.

# 1-(Pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)penta-1,4-diene (5); Typical Procedure

To K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (20 g) in sulfolane (50 mL) contained in a 100 mL roundbottomed flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, a dropping funnel, a thermometer and a reflux condenser was added adduct **1** (6.9 g, 0.03 mol) dissolved in sulfolane (10 mL). The mixture was stirred at r.t. for 0.5 h and at 60 °C for 3 h. When the reaction was complete, the crude product was distilled out under vacuum (35–40 °C/1–2 mm Hg), washed with H<sub>2</sub>O, and dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>). The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with pentane–CHCl<sub>3</sub> (10:2) as eluent; yield: 4.6 g (79.0%);  $R_f$  0.53.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.98 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.13 (ddt, 1 H,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 18.9 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 1.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 1.5 Hz, =CCHH), 5.15 (ddt, 1 H,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 10.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 1.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 2.1 Hz, =CCHH), 5.78 (ddt, 1 H,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 10.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 18.9 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 6.4 Hz, CH=), 6.47 (m, 2 H, F<sub>5</sub>SCH=CH).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 34.61 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 118.21 (s, =CH<sub>2</sub>), 132.60 (s, CH=), 136.93 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 7.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH=CH), 141.30 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 19.6 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.5 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 140.65 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 153.7 Hz), 161.48 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 153.7 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_5H_7F_5S$  (194.17): C, 30.93; H, 3.63; F, 48.92; S, 16.52. Found: C, 30.80; H, 3.58; F, 49.10; S, 16.61.

#### 1-(Pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)hexa-1,5-diene (6)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **5**, adduct **3** (7.32 g, 0.03 mol) was allowed to react with  $K_2CO_3$  (20 g). Distillation at reduced pressure gave 5.37 g (86% yield) of compound **6**; bp 74–75 °C/60 mm Hg.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.23 (m, 4 H, 2 CH<sub>2</sub>), 5.05 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 10.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 1.4 Hz, =CHH), 5.07 (dd, 1 H  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 17.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 1.4 Hz, =CHH), 5.77 (ddt, 1 H,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 10.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 17.4 Hz,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 6.6 Hz, CH=), 6.44 (m, 2 H, F<sub>5</sub>SCH=CH).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 29.71 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.77 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 116.11 (s, =CH<sub>2</sub>), 136.18 (s, CH=), 138.24 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 7.1$  Hz,  $F_5SCH=CH$ ), 140.71 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 19.5$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 1.6$  Hz,  $F_5SCH=$ ).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 140.62 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F} = 153.6$  Hz), 160.91 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F} = 153.6$  Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_6H_9F_5S$  (208.19): C, 34.62; H, 4.36; F, 45.63; S, 15.40. Found: C, 34.60; H, 4.35; F, 45.76; S, 15.50.

#### 2,3-Dichloro-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)butane (7)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **1**, 3-chlorobut-1-ene (9 g, 0.1 mol) was allowed to react with  $F_5SCl$  (17.8 g, 0.11 mol). Distillation at 57 °C/10 mm Hg gave 22.9 g (91%) of compound **7**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 1.62, 1.70 (d, 3 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 7.1 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.20 (m, 2 H, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.63 (m, 2 H, 2 CHCl).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 21.38, 22.19 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 58.81, 59.06 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.4 Hz, CHClCH<sub>3</sub>), 59.20, 59.59 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 4.2 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>CHCl), 74.39, 75.01 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 14.9 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.2 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 144.21 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.0 Hz), 160.50 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.0 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_4H_7Cl_2F_5S$  (253.06): C, 18.99; H, 2.79; F, 37.54; S, 12.67. Found: C, 18.84; H, 2.75; F, 37.68; S, 12.75.

### 3-Chloro-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)but-1-ene (8)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **5**, adduct **7** (5.06 g, 0.02 mol) was allowed to react with  $K_2CO_3$  (11 g). Distillation at re-

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duced pressure gave 2.17 g (50%) of compound **8**; bp 58 °C/80 mm Hg.

#### Compound 8

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.72 (d, 3 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 7.0 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.59 (dq, 1 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 8.5 Hz, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 12.0 Hz, CHCl), 6.72 (m, 2 H, F<sub>5</sub>SCH=CH).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 24.63 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 53.39 (s, CHCl), 139.19 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 7.1$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=CH), 141.74 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 21.2$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 1.7$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 141.15 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.9 Hz), 159.87 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.9 Hz). 159.87 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.9 Hz),

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>6</sub>ClF<sub>5</sub>S (216.60): C, 22.18; H, 2.79; F, 43.86; S, 14.80. Found: C, 22.30; H, 2.83; F, 43.92; S, 14.85.

#### 2,3-Dichlorobut-1-ene (9)

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.75 (d, 3 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 6.6 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 4.67 (q, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 6.6 Hz, CHCl), 5.38 (d, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 1.8 Hz, =CHH), 5.59 (d, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 1.8 Hz, =CHH).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 15.24 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 47.10 (s, CHCl), 125.06 (s, =CH<sub>2</sub>), 134.05 (s, =CCl).

#### 3-Chloro-4-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)butan-2-ol (10)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **1**, 3-buten-2-ol (7.2 g, 0.1 mol) was allowed to react with  $F_5SCl$  (17.82 g, 0.11 mol). Distillation at 93 °C/12 mm Hg gave 17.8 g (76%) of compound **10**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 1.28 (d, 3 H,  $J_{\text{H,H}}$  = 7.4 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.86 (br s, 1 H, OH), 4.00 (m, 2 H, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.18 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 4.31 (m, 1 H, CHCl).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 18.80, 20.05 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 60.84, 60.83 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 4.0 Hz, CHCl), 68.73, 70.22 (s, CHOH), 73.68, 74.07 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 14.2 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 144.16 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.1 Hz), 144.22 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 145.8 Hz), 160.82 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.1 Hz), 161.00 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 145.8 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_4H_8ClF_5OS$  (234.62): C, 20.48; H, 3.44; F, 40.49; S, 13.67. Found: C, 20.36; H, 3.37; F, 40.53; S, 13.75.

### 4-(Pentafluoro-λ<sup>6</sup>-sulfanyl)but-3-en-2-ol (11)

To a mixture of KOH (11.2 g, 0.2 mol) in anhyd Et<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL) in a 200 mL flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, thermometer and dropping funnel, was added a solution consisting of **10** (11.7 g, 0.05 mol) in anhyd Et<sub>2</sub>O (20 mL) dropwise at 20–25 °C. The mixture was stirred at 25–30 °C for 1.5 h, and then was added to H<sub>2</sub>O (100 mL). The two layers were separated and the aqueous phase was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O (3 × 30 mL). The combined organic fractions were dried (MgSO<sub>4</sub>) and the solvent was evaporated in vacuum and the resulting crude was distilled to give 7.52 g (76%) of compound **11**; bp 71 °C/12 mm Hg.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.39 (d, 3 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 6.6 Hz, CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.79 (br s, 1 H, OH), 4.53 (m, 1 H, CHOH), 6.53 (ddpent, 1 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 4.4 Hz, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 14.5 Hz, *J*<sub>H,F</sub> = 1.1 Hz, =CH), 6.68 (dpent, 1 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 14.5 Hz, *J*<sub>H,F</sub> = 6.5 Hz, *F*<sub>5</sub>SCH=).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 22.61 (s, CH<sub>3</sub>), 65.86 (s, CHOH), 139.86 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 20.5$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 1.6$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=), 141.39 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 6.5$  Hz, =CH).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 141.16 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 150.6 Hz), 161.28 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 150.6 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>7</sub>F<sub>5</sub>OS (198.16): C, 24.25; H, 3.56; F, 47.94; S, 16.18. Found: C, 24.33; H, 3.59; F, 47.86; S, 16.10.

#### 1-(Pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)but-1,3-diene (12)

The 4-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)but-3-en-2-ol (**11**; 4.0 g, 0.02 mol) was treated with conc. H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (1 mL) at -20 °C in a 10 mL flask equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, thermometer and connected with the vacuum pump (50 mm Hg) through trap cooled to -196 °C. The mixture was stirred at 40–50 °C for 20 min and at 60–70 °C for 1 h. The liquid from the trap was washed with 10% aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O. The organic layer was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>). Distillation at 52 °C/ 100 mm Hg gave 1.44 g (40%) of compound **12**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 5.55 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 0.9$  Hz, =CHH), 5.63 (ddpent, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 16.9$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 0.9$ Hz,  $J_{H,F} = 0.9$  Hz, =CHH), 6.29 (ddd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 16.9$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 10.0$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 11.5$  Hz,  $CH=CH_2$ ), 6.58 (dpent, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 14.5$  Hz,  $J_{H,F} = 6.7$  Hz,  $F_5SCH=CH$ ), 6.88 (ddpent, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 14.5$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 11.5$  Hz,  $J_{H,F} = 0.8$  Hz,  $F_5SCH=CH$ ).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 126.54 (s, =CH<sub>2</sub>), 131.35 (s, CH=CH<sub>2</sub>), 136.62 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 7.5 Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=CH), 141.74 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 20.4 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.6 Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 141.41 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 149.3 Hz), 161.53 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 149.3 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub>F<sub>5</sub>S (180.14): C, 26.67; H, 2.80; F, 52.73; S, 17.80. Found: C, 26.65; H, 2.81; F, 52.76; S, 17.82.

# 3,4-Epoxy-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)but-1-ene (13); Typical Procedure

A solution of *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (3.44 g, 0.02 mol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) was added to a well-stirred solution of the compound **12** (1.8 g, 0.01 mol) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (20 mL) at r.t. The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 h at 40 °C and 3 d at r.t. Progress of the reaction was monitored by TLC analysis. The mixture was filtered, and washed with 20% aq Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>, and again with 10% aq NaHCO<sub>3</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O. The organic layer was dried (Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>). Evaporation of the solvent and distillation at 80 °C/60 mm Hg gave 1.76 g (90%) of compound **13**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta = 2.74$  (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 2.4$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 5.4$  Hz, CHH), 3.12 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 5.4$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 4.4$  Hz, CHH), 3.47 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.33 (ddpent, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 6.2$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 14.6$  Hz,  $J_{H,H} = 1.2$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=CH), 6.79 (dpent, 1 H,  $J_{H,H} = 14.6$  Hz,  $J_{H,F} = 6.4$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 49.18 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.64 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 1.0$  Hz, CH), 136.59 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 7.0$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=CH), 143.13 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 21.6$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 1.5$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 140.73 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 150.0 Hz), 160.03 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 150.0 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>5</sub>F<sub>5</sub>OS (196.14): C, 24.50; H, 2.57; F, 48.43; S, 16.35. Found: C, 24.53; H, 2.56; F, 48.40; S, 16.33.

#### 4,5-Epoxy-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)pent-1-ene (14)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **13**, compound **5** (1.94 g, 0.01 mol) was allowed to react with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (3.44 g, 0.02 mol). Distillation at 73 °C/25 mm Hg gave 1.85 g (88%) of compound **14**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 2.37 (m, 1 H, CHH), 2.52 (m, 1 H, CHH), 2.56 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 2.6 Hz,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.6 Hz, CHH), 2.85 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.6 Hz,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.6 Hz, CHH), 3.07 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.56 (m, 2 H, F<sub>5</sub>SCH=CH).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 32.58 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 45.84 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 49.15 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.0 Hz, CH), 133.36 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 7.0 Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=CH), 141.92 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 20.1 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.5 Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188,3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 140.21 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F} = 150.6$  Hz), 161.08 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F} = 150.6$  Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>7</sub>F<sub>5</sub>OS (210.17): C, 28.58; H, 3.36; F, 45.20; S, 15.26. Found: C, 28.62; H, 3.38; F, 45.17; S, 15.24.

#### 5,6-Epoxy-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)hex-1-ene (15)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **13**, compound **6** (2.08 g, 0.01 mol) was allowed to react with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (3.44 g, 0.02 mol). Distillation at 87–88 °C/8 mm Hg gave 2.06 g (92%) of compound **15**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 1.77 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.39 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.54 (dd, 1 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 2.6 Hz, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 4.8 Hz, *CH*H), 2.83 (dd, 1 H, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 4.0 Hz, *J*<sub>H,H</sub> = 4.8 Hz, *CH*H), 2.98 (m, 1 H, CH), 6.54 (m, 2 H, F<sub>3</sub>SCH=CH).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ = 27.54 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 31.19 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 1.0$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.40 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 51.50 (s, CH), 138.25 (pent,  $J_{C,F} = 7.0$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=CH), 141.49 (dpent,  $J_{C,F} = 20.0$  Hz,  $J_{C,F} = 1.5$  Hz,  $F_5$ SCH=).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  = 140.44 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 150.6 Hz), 161.65 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 150.6 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for  $C_6H_9F_5OS$  (224.19): C, 32.15; H, 4.05; F, 42.37; S, 14.30. Found: C, 32.31; H, 4.09; F, 42.30; S, 14.24.

#### 2-Chloro-4,5-epoxy-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)pentane (16)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **13**, adduct **1** (2.3 g, 0.01 mol) was allowed to react with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (3.44 g, 0.02 mol). Distillation at 78 °C/5 mm Hg gave 2.21 g (80%) of compound **16**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  (diastereomeric mixture) = 1.86–2.96 (m, 2 H, CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.91 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 2.4 Hz,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.4 Hz, CHH), 2.90 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.4 Hz,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.8 Hz, CHH), 3.24 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.08 (dpent, 2 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 6.4 Hz,  $J_{H,F}$  = 8.0 Hz,  $F_5$ SCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.62 (m, 1 H, CHCl).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 40.52, 41.35 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 0.8 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 46.38, 47.80 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 48.81, 49.57 (s, CH), 53.46, 53.51 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 4.6 Hz, CHCl), 76.90 (pent, 13.8 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 143.89 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 143.1 Hz), 144.27 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.9 Hz), 160.54 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 143.1 Hz), 160.74 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{F,F}$  = 146.9 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>8</sub>ClF<sub>5</sub>OS (246.63): C, 24.35; H, 3.27; F, 38.52; S, 13.00. Found: C, 24.42; H, 3.29; F, 38.43; S, 13.08.

### 2-Chloro-5,6-epoxy-1-(pentafluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanyl)hexane (17)

According to the procedure for the synthesis of **13**, adduct **3** (2.44 g, 0.01 mol) was allowed to react with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (3.44 g, 0.02 mol). Distillation at 80  $^{\circ}$ C/2 mm Hg gave 2.08 g (80%) of compound **17**.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  (diastereomeric mixture) = 1.52–2.29 (m, 4 H, 2 CH<sub>2</sub>), 2.54 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 2.5 Hz,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.6 Hz, CHH), 2.83 (dd, 1 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.2 Hz,  $J_{H,H}$  = 4.6 Hz, CHH), 2.96 (m, 1 H, CH), 4.00 (dpent, 2 H,  $J_{H,H}$  = 6.2 Hz,  $J_{H,F}$  = 8.0 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>), 4.50 (m, 1 H, CHCl).

<sup>13</sup>C NMR (50.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>): δ (diastereomeric mixture) = 29.16, 29.70 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 34.06, 34.69 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 1.4 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>), 47.18, 47.33 (s, CH<sub>2</sub>), 51.29, 51.80 (s, CH), 55.58, 55.86 (pent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 4.5 Hz, CHCl), 73.10 (dpent,  $J_{C,F}$  = 0.8 Hz,  $J_{C,F}$  = 13.4 Hz, F<sub>5</sub>SCH<sub>2</sub>).

<sup>19</sup>F NMR (188.3 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  (diastereomeric mixture) = 144.1 (dm, 4 F,  $J_{FF}$  = 145.0 Hz), 160.8 (9 lines, 1 F,  $J_{FF}$  = 145.0 Hz).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>9</sub>ClF<sub>5</sub>OS (259.65): C, 27.76; H, 3.49; F, 36.58; S, 12.35. Found: 27.84; H, 3.53; F, 36.50; S, 12.31.

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