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Our ref: JP/MDS

Date: 22 July 1966

Dear Mr. Hanson,

I am sorry I omitted from our data sheets the impact sensitivity values on our apparatus for the standard explosives. Of course, the values given are of little use without these standards and I had intended to include them.

The figures for the  $\frac{1}{2}$  Kg. hammer are:

RDX 25 - 30 cm.

PETN 30 - 40 cm.

Tetryl 60 - 70 cm.

NG 25 - 30 cm.

TNT is very insensitive and gives a value  $> 200$  cm. with a 2 Kg. hammer.

Yours sincerely,

(J. Peters)  
Government Research Section.

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### Introduction

This report covers the period 1st July 1960 to 30th June 1966 and summarises the important properties of compounds prepared in the Research Department laboratories of the Nobel Division of Imperial Chemical Industries Limited on behalf of the Advanced Research Projects Agency under A.R.P.A. Order 23. The work sponsored by A.R.P.A. was monitored by the Office of Naval Research and was carried out under U.S. Navy Contracts N62558-2576, -3318, -4076 and -4272.

The report is divided into three sections. Section 1 deals with all NF-containing compounds first prepared or prepared by new routes under the above contracts. Section 2 deals with compounds containing the NO<sub>2</sub>-group only and prepared under these contracts. Section 3 describes briefly the instruments and methods employed in determining the physical characteristics of these compounds.

Compounds have been listed in elemental order as in Chemical Abstracts. Infra-red and n.m.r. traces have not been reproduced but are retained on file in Research Department, Nobel Division, for reference purposes. Infracord 137 spectra are available for all NF-compounds listed and Infracord 337 spectra for some of these compounds. Both Infracord 137 and 337 spectra are available for the NO<sub>2</sub>- compounds.

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SECTION 1

NF Containing Products

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1. N,N-Difluorourea (anhydrous) (DFU)

Structure :  $\text{NF}_2\text{CONH}_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 42-42.5°C

Analysis: Found: C, 12.0; H, 2.2; F, 36.5; N, 27.8%

Calc. for  $\text{CH}_2\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}$ : C, 12.5; H, 2.1; F, 39.5; N, 29.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.1(m), 5.6(s), 6.3(s),  
7.4(s), 8.3(m), 9.0(w), 10.9(s),  
12.0(w), 14.(m)/ $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Other Properties: Moisture content when prepared 0.3%, non-hygroscopic on storage in the atmosphere.

Attempts to chlorinate, nitrate and acetylate DFU were unsuccessful. Attempts to prepare lithium, sodium and silver derivatives of DFU were also unsuccessful.

$\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -41.0;  $\Delta H_{f298}$  meas. (Dow)  
-66.0 kcal/mole

Preparation: Fluorination of 5% urea in 0.1N NaOH solution followed by ether extraction:



References: Aerojet-General Corp., Report 0371-02-2, July 1960

Dow Chemical Corp., Report No. AR-2Q-60, April-June 1960

I.C.I. Progress Report No. 9, July - September 1962.

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2. N-Nitro-N'-difluoramethylurea

Structure:  $O_2NNHCONHCH_2NF_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 83-7°C (recrystallised from alcohol/ligroin)

Analysis: Found: C, 14.4; H, 1.9; F, 23.7; N, 32.9%

$C_2H_2F_2N_2O_3$  requires: C, 14.1; H, 2.4; F, 22.4; N, 32.9%

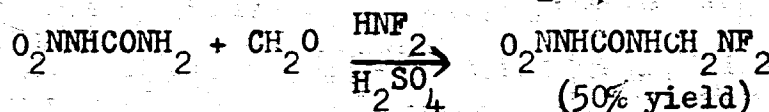
Infra-red absorptions at: 2.8(m), 3.1(m), 3.2(m), 3.3(s),  
5.8(s), 6.2(s), 6.4(s), 7.1(m),  
7.4(m), 7.8(m), 8.2(s), 9.6(s),  
12.1(m), 12.5(m), 13.4, 13.6(m)μ.

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point: 136°C

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -134.4 kcal/mole

Preparation: Reaction of  $HNF_2$  with nitrourea in the presence of 37% aqueous formalin and  $H_2SO_4$ :



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January - March 1964.

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Data Sheet

3. Bis(difluoraminomethyl)nitramine (BDMN)

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2)_2NNO_2$

Physical State: Yellow liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 13.9; H, 3.1; F, 33.7; N, 30.2%

Calc. for  $C_2H_4F_4N_2O_2$ : C, 12.5; H, 2.1; F, 39.6; N, 29.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 5.9(m), 6.4(vs), 7.1(vs),  
7.9(vs), 8.8(s), 9.1-9.4(m),  
10.5(s), 11.0(s), 12.2(s), 13.8(s)μ.

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point: 140°C

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -30.1 kcal/mole (Esso  $\Delta H_{f298}$   
calc. -27.0) Monopropellant S.I. 297.5 calc.

Vapour pressure measured:

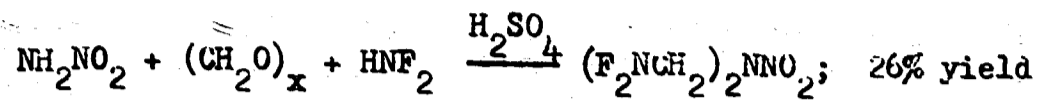
0°	5.8 mm	40°	28.5
10°	6.6	50°	41.1
20°	12.2	60°	57.1
30°	18.5	159° (est)	760

Vacuum thermal stability test at 60° showed  
an autocatalytic decomposition (initial gas  
evolution 19.5 ml/g/100 hr). Slightly swelled  
OIO and BDI/DI casting powders.

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Preparation: Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with nitramine and paraformaldehyde  
in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .



References: Esso Research & Engineering Co. QPR 62-4, Sept.-Dec.

1962 I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -

December 31, 1963, No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965.

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4. Methane N-difluoraminomethylsulphonamide

Structure:  $\text{MeSO}_2\text{NHCH}_2\text{NF}_2$

Physical State: m.p.  $74-76^\circ\text{C}$

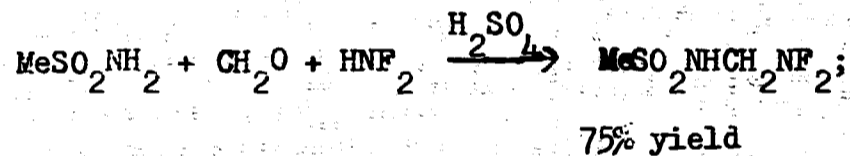
Analysis: Found: C, 15.0; H, 3.7; F, 25.7; N, 17.6%

$\text{C}_2\text{H}_6\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires: C, 15.0; H, 3.8; F, 23.8; N, 17.5%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 7.15(m), 7.6(s), 8.0(w),  
8.7(s), 9.3(w), 9.9(w), 10.2(s),  
10.95(s), 11.5(w), 11.95(s),  
12.2(s), 12.4(s), 13.25(m) $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity:  $>200$  cm

Preparation: Treatment of methane sulphonamide with 37% aqueous formalin,  $\text{HNF}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ : (Soluble in water)



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 18, January 1 - December 31, 1964.

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Data Sheet5. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)sulphamide

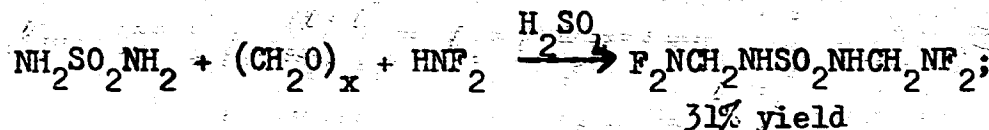
Physical State: Clear, colourless oil

Analysis: Found: C, 11.1; H, 3.1; F, 33.9; N, 24.8%

 $\text{C}_2\text{H}_4\text{F}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires: C, 10.6; H, 2.7; F, 33.6; N, 24.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 6.5(m), 6.85(s), 6.95(s),  
 7.05(s), 7.5(s), 8.3(m), 8.6-8.8(s),  
 9.3(m), 9.9(m), 10.2(m), 11.0(s), 12.2(s) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with sulphamide and paraformaldehyde  
 in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , followed by  $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$   
 extraction



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 18, January 1 - December  
 31, 1964.

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6. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1,3-dinitroimidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: White solid m.p. 69-70°

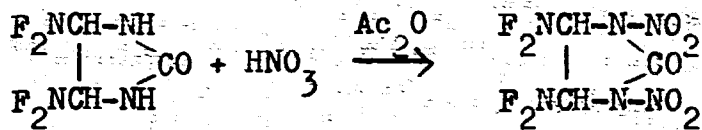
Analysis: Found: C, 13.2; H, 0.4; F, 27.5; N, 29.6%

$\text{C}_3\text{H}_2\text{F}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_5$  requires: C, 12.9; H, 0.7; F, 27.3; N, 30.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.4(s), 6.2(s), 7.8(w), 8.1(s),  
9.0(s), 9.2(m), 9.75(w), 10.7(w),  
11.6(m), 12.4(w), 13.5(w)  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum (MeCN solution): Triplet centred at 3.1 $\tau$  (J=16 c/sec)

Preparation: Nitration of 4,5-bis(difluoramino)imidazolidin-2-one  
with  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$  for 2½ hr at -10° followed by  
evaporation of the acid before addition of water.



Very small yield.

Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March  
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7. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1-nitroimidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 85-89 (decomp.) (recrystallised from iPrOH/hexane)

Analysis: Found: C, 15.2; H, 0.8; F, 31.8; N, 30.4%

$\text{C}_3\text{H}_3\text{F}_4\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$  requires: C, 15.5; H, 1.3; F, 32.6; N, 30.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.7(s), 5.6(s), 6.25(s), 7.75(m),  
7.9(s), 8.1(s), 8.9(m), 9.3(m),  
9.8(m), 10.8(m), 11.35(m), 12.1(w),  
12.4(w), 12.8(m), 13.1(w), 13.7(w)

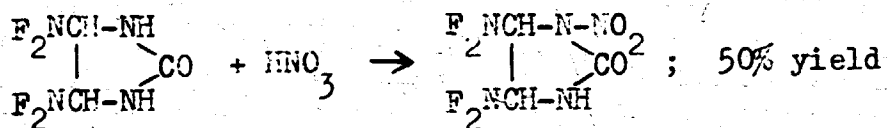
HNMR Spectrum (MeCN solution): Triplet centred at 4.35  $\tau$  (J=18 c/sec)  
and at 3.45  $\tau$  (J = 18 c/sec)  
Broad singlet at 1.74  $\tau$  (NH)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (MeCN solution): Triplet at -32.5  $\delta$  (J=18 c/sec)

Impact Sensitivity: <5 cm

Explosion point: 152°C

Preparation: Nitration of 4,5-bis(difluoramino)imidazolidin-2-one with 100% HNO<sub>3</sub> at 20° for 2 days



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 - March 31, 1964, No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

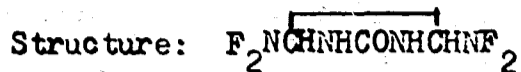
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8. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)imidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: White solid, m.p.  $172^\circ$  (recrystallised from benzene)

Analysis: Found: C, 19.4; H, 1.9; F, 39.9; N, 29.8%

$C_3H_4F_4N_4O$  requires: C, 19.2; H, 2.1; F, 40.4; N, 29.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.1(s), 3.2(s), 5.8(s), 6.9(s),  
7.7(m), 7.9(s), 8.6(m), 9.9(m),  
10.5(m), 11.3(m), 11.5(s), 13.1(m) $\mu$ .

$^1H$ NMR (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at 4.39 $\tau$ , J=18 c/sec (CH)  
each peak split by  $^{14}N$ , J=1.8 c/sec.  
Broad singlet at 2.12 $\tau$  (NH)

$^{19}F$ NMR (Acetone solution): Triplet at -31.6  $\delta$ , J=15 c/sec.

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point:  $>300^\circ$

Other Properties: Can be sublimed under vacuum at  $100^\circ$

0.2 g sample lost 1.6% by wt. on storage at  
 $70^\circ$  for 14 days in open tube.

$\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -153.8 kcal/mole

Vacuum thermal stability 0.3 ml/g/100 hr at  $60^\circ C$

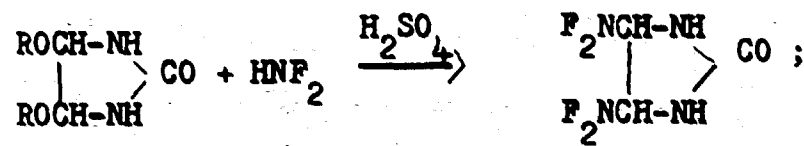
Preparation: 1. Reaction of  $HNF_2$  with 4,5-dihydroxy-, 4,5-dimethoxy-, or 4,5-diethoxyimidazolidin-2-one in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$

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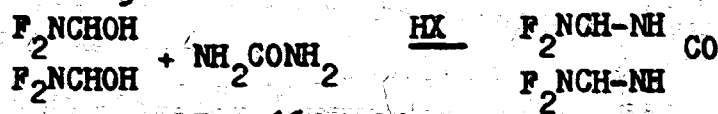


R=H, 78% yield

R=Me, 78% yield

R=Et, 84% yield

2. Condensation of 1,2-bis(difluoramino)ethane-1,2-diol with urea in the presence of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  or  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ :



X =  $\text{SO}_3\text{F}$ , 46% yield

X =  $\text{HSO}_4$ , 16% yield

References: I.C.I. Progress Report No.14, July 1, 1962 - December 31,1963; No. 15, January 1 - March 31,1964; No.17, July 1 - September 30, 1964. No.23, January 1 - March 31,1966.

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9. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)-N-nitrourea

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2N(NO_2)CONHCH_2NF_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 69-72°C (recrystallised from ethanol/ligroin)

Analysis: Found: C, 16.2; H, 2.7; F, 32.5; N, 31.1%

$C_3H_5F_4N_3O_3$  requires: C, 15.5; H, 2.1; F, 32.5; N, 29.8%

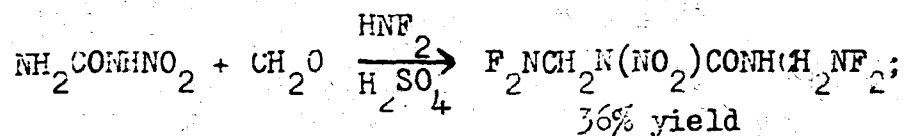
Infra-red absorptions at: 2.85(m), 5.8(s), 6.0(m), 6.2(s),  
6.4(s), 7.0(m), 7.1(m), 7.4(m),  
7.8(m), 8.2(s), 9.6(s), 9.8(m),  
10.7(m), 10.9(s), 12.2(s), 12.55(s),  
13.45(s), 13.65(s)μ.

Impact Sensitivity: < 5 cm

Explosion Point: 143°C

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -139.2 kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 245 calc.

Preparation: Reaction of  $HNF_2$  with nitrourea in the presence of 37% aqueous formalin and  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 - March 31, 1964

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10. N-Acetyl-N-difluoraminomethylhydroxylamine

Structure:  $\text{AcN}(\text{OH})\text{CH}_2\text{NF}_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 93-94°C

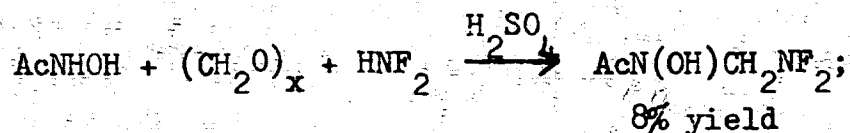
Analysis: Found: C, 25.8; H, 4.5; F, 27.4; N, 19.1%

$\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 25.7; H, 4.3; F, 27.1; N, 20.0%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.15(s), 6.1(s), 7.1(s), 7.9(m),  
8.0(m), 9.8(m), 10.0(m), 10.9(m),  
12.2(s), 12.8(m)μ.

Preparation: The action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  on a mixture of acetoxyamic acid and paraformaldehyde in the presence of 96%

$\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 12, July 1, 1962 -  
June 30, 1963

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11. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)urea (BDMU)

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2NHCONHCH_2NF_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p.  $162^\circ C$  (recrystallised from  
ligroin/ethanol)

Analysis: Found: C, 19.4; H, 3.1; F, 39.8; N, 29.6%

$C_3H_6F_4N_2O$  requires: C, 18.9; H, 3.2; F, 40.0; N, 29.5%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 6.1(s), 6.6(m), 7.5(m),  
8.0(m), 9.0(m), 10.0(m), 11.0(s),  
12.35(s), 13.0(m), 13.5(m)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point:  $168^\circ C$

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -128.7 kcal/mole. BDMU was

recovered unchanged from:

- (i) Storage at  $70^\circ C$  for 7 days
- (ii) A mixture with aluminium powder and ammonium perchlorate heated at  $100^\circ C$  for 1 hour
- (iii) A mixture with nitrocellulose (12.6% N) maintained at  $70^\circ C$  for 1 hour
- (iv) A mixture with Casting Liquid (nitroglycerine/triacetin/2-nitrodiphenylamine = 80/19/1) maintained at  $70^\circ C$  for 7 days

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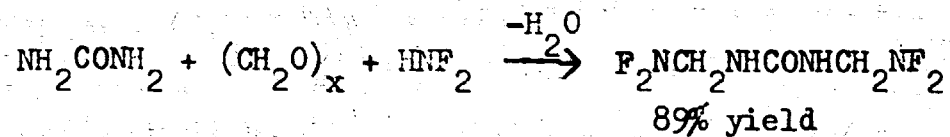
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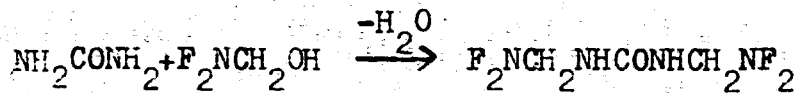
Vacuum Thermal Stability test, 0.3 ml/g/100 hrs  
at 60°.

BDMU was decomposed by base and by nitration,  
and was recovered unchanged from attempts at  
difluoramination, halogenation, and fluorination.

Preparation: (i) Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with a mixture of urea and  
paraformaldehyde, in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   
or other dehydrating agents

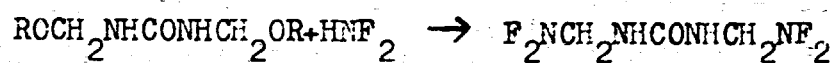


(ii) Reaction of difluoraminomethanol with urea in  
the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  or other dehydrating  
agents



(iii) Reaction of N,N'-dimethylolurea or of

N,N'-di(methoxymethyl)urea with  $\text{HNF}_2$  in the  
presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  or  $\text{HSO}_3\text{Cl}$



With  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ : R=H, 98% yield; R=Me, 76% yield

With  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ : R=H, 95% yield

With  $\text{HSO}_3\text{Cl}$ : R=H, 95% yield

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References: I.C.I. Progress Reports Nos. 11, January 1 -  
March 31, 1963; 12, July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1963;  
14, July 1, 1962 - December 31, 1963; 15,  
January 1 - March 31, 1964; 23, January 1 -  
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12. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)methylene dinitramine (BDM)

Structure:  $\text{CH}_2[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{NF}_2)\text{NO}_2]_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p.  $89^\circ\text{C}$  (Esso Report m.p. 78-80)

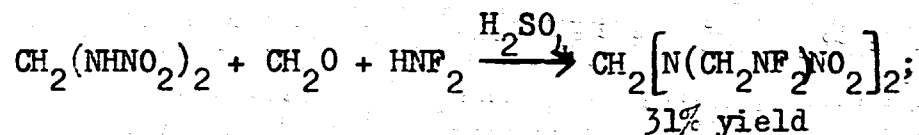
Analysis: Found: C, 16.0; H, 3.0; F, 31.2; N, 30.2%

Calc. for  $\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{F}_4\text{N}_6\text{O}_4$ : C, 13.5; H, 2.3; F, 28.6; N, 31.6%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.5(m), 6.4(s), 7.0(m), 7.4(m),  
7.6(m), 7.9(s), 8.7(s), 9.7(s),  
10.3(s), 10.6(s), 10.9(s), 11.4(m),  
12.2(s), 13.1(s) $\mu$ .

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  -29.6 kcal/mole calc. Esso estimated  
 $\Delta H_{f298}$  -31.05 kcal/mole, and monopropellant  
S.I. 284.8.

Preparation: The reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with methylene dinitramine and  
37% aqueous formalin, in the presence of  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



References: Esso Research & Engineering Co. QPR 62-4, Sept. -  
Dec. 1962.

I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -  
December 31, 1963; No. 15, January 1 - March  
31, 1964.

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13. Tris(difluoraminomethyl)amine, (TDMA)

Structure:  $N(CH_2NF_2)_3$

Physical State: Colourless liquid, b.p.  $166^\circ/760$  mm

Analysis: Found: C, 17.2; H, 2.9; F, 53.5; N, 26.5%; M.W.  
(cryoscopic in benzene), 234.

$C_3H_6F_6N_4$  requires: C, 17.0; H, 2.8; F, 53.8; N, 26.4%; M.W.  
212.

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(w), 6.9(s), 7.2(s), 7.3(s), 8.2(s),  
9.4(s), 10.0(m), 11.0(s), 12.2(s),  
13.7(m), 16.7(m), 18.7(m) $\mu$ .

$^1H$ NMR Spectrum ( $CCl_4$  solution): Triplet centred at  $5.43\tau$ ,  $J=24$  c/sec.

$^{19}F$ NMR Spectrum ( $CCl_4$  solution): Triplet centred at  $-42.7\delta$ ,  $J=24$  c/sec.

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point:  $>166^\circ$

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc.  $-25.3$  kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 287 calc. Refractive Index ( $18^\circ$ ), 1.378.  
Soluble in  $Et_2O$ ,  $CHCl_2$ ,  $C_6H_6$ . Insoluble in  
water. No decomposition after storage in  
'Pyrex' at room temperature for 3 months.  
Vapour pressure measured:

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0°	6.4 mm	40°	34.4 mm
10°	10.3	50°	47.1
20°	17.6	60°	61.1
30°	25.7	166°	760.0

D.T.A. endotherm, 180°. Storage at 60° showed a slow initial pressure rise followed by an accelerating rate of increase. Did not form quaternary salts, decomposed by HNO<sub>3</sub>, HClO<sub>4</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> base.

Preparation: Treatment of the following with HNF<sub>2</sub> and 96% H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, HSO<sub>3</sub>F or HSO<sub>3</sub>Cl.

- (i) Dinitropentamethylenetetramine; 50% yield
- (ii) Hexamethylenetetramine; 10% yield
- (iii) Hexamethylenetetramine dinitrate; 38% yield
- (iv) Liquid NH<sub>3</sub>, NF<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH; 13% yield
- (v) NF<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, NH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H; 34% yield
- (vi) NF<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>; 18% yield
- (vii) NF<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl; 43% yield

References: I.C.I. Progress Reports No. 15, January 1 - March 31, 1964; No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964; No. 18, January 1 - December 31, 1964; No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965; No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965; No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965.

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14. Methane N,N-bis(difluoraminomethyl)sulphonamide

Structure:  $\text{MeSO}_2\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{NF}_2)_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 44-46°C

Analysis: Found: C, 15.5; H, 3.4; F, 34.0; N, 17.4%

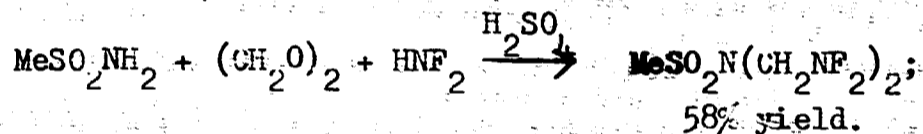
$\text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{F}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{S}$  requires: C, 16.0; H, 3.1; F, 33.8; N, 18.7%

Infra-red absorptions at: 7.3(s), 7.4(s), 7.7(m), 8.2(m),  
8.5(s), 8.6(s), 9.9(m), 10.1(m),  
10.3(s), 10.8(s), 11.0(s), 11.7(m),  
12.1(s), 12.2(s), 12.5(s), 13.3(m)μ.

Impact Sensitivity: 30-40 cm

Preparation: Treatment of methane sulphonamide with paraformaldehyde,

$\text{HNF}_2 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  (Insoluble in water):



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 18, January 1 - December 31, 1964.

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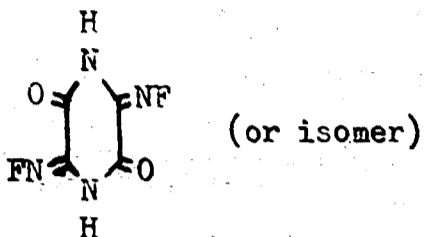
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15. 2,5-Difluorimino-3,6-diketopiperazine

Structure:



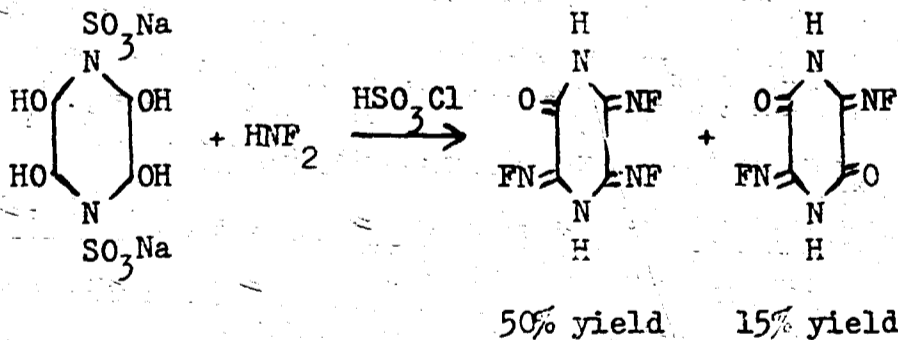
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 156-7°, recrystallised from isopropanol

Analysis: Found: C, 28.4; H, 2.6; F, 21.6; N, 33.9%

$C_4H_2F_2N_2O_2$  requires: C, 27.3; H, 1.1; F, 21.6; N, 31.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 5.75(s), 5.95(s), 6.2(s),  
6.3(s), 7.2(s), 7.6(m), 7.9(s),  
8.3(m), 9.2(m), 11.0(s), 11.15(s),  
11.5(m), 11.55(m), 12.0(m), 12.7(m),  
13.4(m), 14.0(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: The reaction of disodium 2,3,5,6-tetrahydropiperazine-1,4-disulphonate with  $HNF_2$  and  $HSO_3Cl$  (minor product)



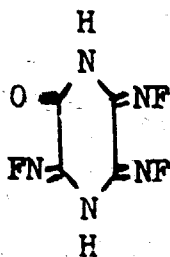
Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1-June 30, 1965.

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16. 2,3,5-Trifluorimino-6-ketopiperazine

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 206-7°, recrystallised from isopropanol

Analysis: Found: C, 25.0; H, 1.9; F, 28.6; N, 37.5%;

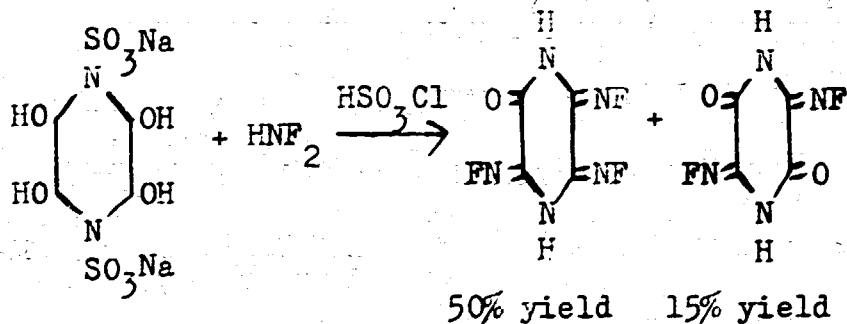
M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 182

$C_4H_2F_3N_2O$  requires: C, 24.9; H, 1.1; F, 29.5; N, 36.3%;

M, 193.

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 3.1(s), 5.8(s), 6.2(s),  
6.3(s), 7.15(s), 7.85(w), 8.1(w),  
10.8(s), 11.0(s), 11.15(s), 13.1(m),  
13.3(m), 14.0(m), 14.6(m)<sup>μ</sup>.

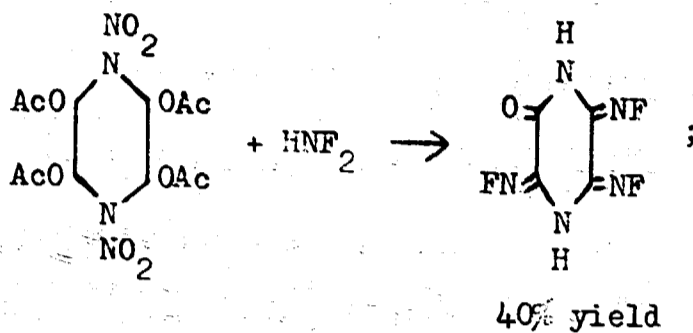
Preparation: (i) The reaction of disodium 2,3,5,6-tetrahydroxypiperazine-1,4-disulphonate with  $HNF_2$  and  $HSO_3Cl$ , or with 96%  $H_2SO_4$  in the presence of paraformaldehyde.



With 96%  $H_2SO_4$ ,  $(CH_2O)_x$ , the yield was 39%.

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(ii) The reaction of 2,3,5,6-tetraacetoxy-1,4-dinitropiperazine with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ , 80%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  or  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ .



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965.

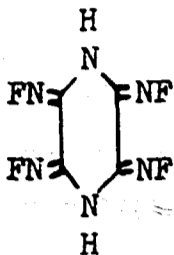
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17. 2,3,5,6-Tetrafluoriminopiperazine (TFP)

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p.  $>230^{\circ}$ , recrystallised from isopropanol

Analysis: Found: C, 22.6; H, 1.0; F, 36.0; N, 40.4%

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 209

$C_4H_2F_4N_2$  requires: C, 22.9; H, 0.95; F, 36.2; N, 40.0%;

M, 210.

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(m), 6.2(m), 6.8(m), 7.1(m), 10.9(m), 11.1(s), 15.9(s) $\mu$ .

Ultra-violet absorptions at: 255m $\mu$ , 327m $\mu$  (in MeOH solution)

$^1$ HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Peak at 6.35 (MeCN).

Peak at 6.41 $\tau$  (acetone). Peak at -0.30 $\tau$  (acetone)

$^{19}$ FNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Peak at +24.0  $\delta$

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point: 244.5 $^{\circ}$

Other Properties: TFP did not condense with difluoraminomethanol.

$N_2O_5$  reacted with TFP but did not give

2,3,5,6-tetrafluorimino-1,4-dinitropiperazine.

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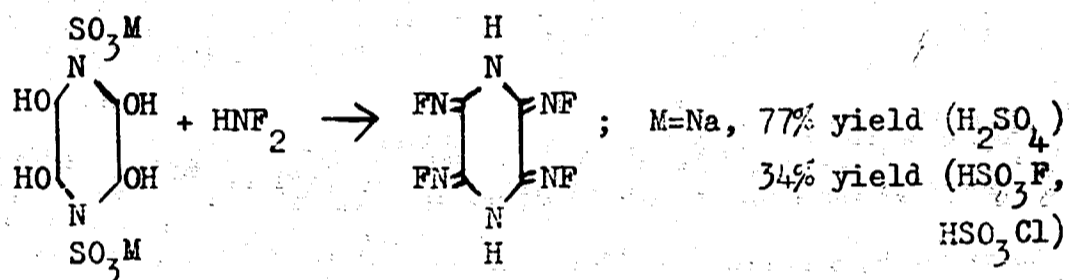
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TFP was recovered unchanged from treatment with  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$ . Hydrogenation of TFP resulted in the uptake of 5 mols  $\text{H}_2$  to give an unidentified product. Chlorination of TFP either gave recovered TFP or complete decomposition. HF did not add to TFP at room temperature. TFP was decomposed by  $\text{LiAlH}_4$ .

Preparation: The action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  (4 hrs)  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{Cl}$  (1 hr) on salts of 2,3,5,6-tetrahydroxypiperazine-1,4,-disulphonic acid.



References: I.C.I. Progress Reports No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965; No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965; No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965.

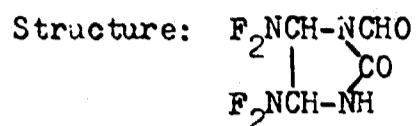
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18. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1-formylimidazolidin-2-one



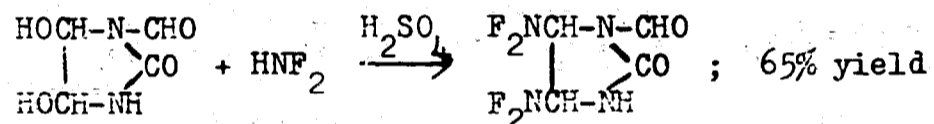
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 105-7°

Analysis: Found: C, 22.6; H, 2.2; F, 32.8; N, 25.9%

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_4\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 22.2; H, 1.9; F, 35.2; N, 25.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(m), 3.1(m), 5.6(s), 5.7(s), 5.9(s),  
7.0(m), 7.2(s), 7.3(m), 7.6(s), 8.1(s),  
8.7(s), 10.7(m), 10.9(m), 11.5(s),  
12.1(m), 13.2(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: The reaction of 1-formyl-4,5-dihydroxyimidazolidin-2-one with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .



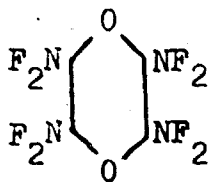
Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965.

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Structure:

Physical State: Liquid, b.p. 78-82/5 mm 100-110<sup>o</sup>/10 mm

Analysis: Found: C, 20.6; H, 2.2; F, 41.3; N, 15.0%

Calc. for C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>4</sub>F<sub>8</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: C, 16.4; H, 1.4; F, 52.1; N, 19.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.4(m), 5.8(m), 8.2(m), 8.6(s),  
8.9(m), 9.6(m), 10.2(s), 11.4(s),  
12.6(m)μ.

<sup>1</sup>H NMR Spectrum (CCl<sub>4</sub> solution): Triplet at 4.49 τ, J=19 c/sec  
(impurity single peaks at 6.60 τ  
and at 2.76 τ)

<sup>19</sup>F NMR Spectrum (CCl<sub>4</sub> solution): Doublet centred at -34.3 δ,  
J=20 c/sec; doublet centred  
at -33.6 δ, J=20 c/sec; broad  
band at -31.2 δ (impurity?).

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Other Properties: ΔH<sub>f298</sub> calc. -91.4 kcal/mole. Monopropellant

S.I. 266 calc. U.V. Absorption, max = 218mμ.

Gas liquid chromatography indicated a complex

mixture of products, the three major components

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(approx. 80%) being isomers of TDD. Refractive Index of mixture ( $18^{\circ}$ ) 1.3960

Vapour pressure measured:

$20^{\circ}$	2.1 mm	$50^{\circ}$	14.2 mm
$30^{\circ}$	4.1	$60^{\circ}$	21.1
$40^{\circ}$	8.1	$203^{\circ}$ (est)	760

Reaction with ethanolic base led to dehydrofluorination. TDD did not readily nitrate or methylate, and no adducts were formed with  $\text{BF}_3$  and  $\text{HC}(\text{NO}_2)_3$ .

Vacuum thermal stability at  $60^{\circ}$ , 0.4 ml/g/100 hr alone, or with AP, Al, or HPVA.

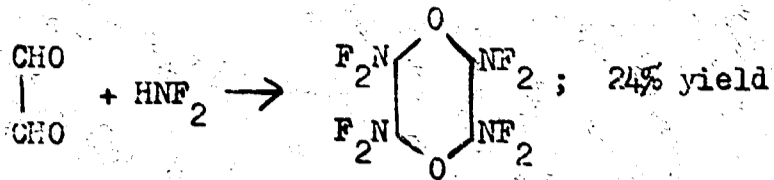
Some samples of crude TDD plasticised nitrocellulose (12.6% N), a casting powder (AID) and bis(difluoramino)periodate oxycellulose. HPVA was soluble in TDD.

Crude TDD was compatible with nitrocellulose, aluminium, ammonium perchlorate maintained at  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$  for 2 days.

Preparation: Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with glyoxal or polyglyoxal in the presence of  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{Cl}$  or  $\text{SO}_3$

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References: Essc Research & Eng. Co., PR 60-3, June-Sept. 1960.

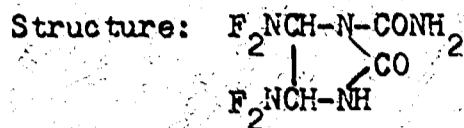
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20. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1-ureidimidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 159-163°

Analysis: Found: C, 21.9; H, 2.7; F, 32.5; N, 30.2%

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{F}_4\text{N}_5\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 20.8; H, 2.2; F, 32.9; N, 30.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(s), 3.1(s), 5.7(s), 6.4(s),  
7.7(m), 8.0(m), 8.2(s), 10.6(w),  
10.8(m), 11.4(m), 11.9(w), 12.2(m),  
13.2(m), 14.0(m)μ.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Broad peaks at 2.45 τ,  
3.18τ(NH). Quadruplet centred at 3.98 τ,  
J=17 c/sec; doublet centred at 4.05 τ,  
J=24 c/sec (CH)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Doublet centred at -28.7δ,  
J=27 c/sec; quintuplet centred at -30.8δ,  
J=17 c/sec.

Other Properties: Nitration with HNO<sub>3</sub> gave a solid, m.p.  
65-70°. Nitrous acid decomposed the compound.  
The infra-red and n.m.r. spectrum support the  
imidazolidin-2-one structure.

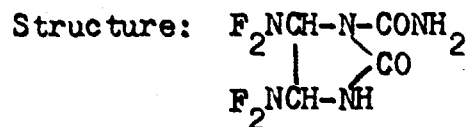
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20. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1-ureidoimidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 159-163°

Analysis: Found: C, 21.9; H, 2.7; F, 32.5; N, 30.2%

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_5\text{F}_4\text{N}_5\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 20.8; H, 2.2; F, 32.9; N, 30.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(s), 3.1(s), 5.7(s), 6.4(s),  
7.7(m), 8.0(m), 8.2(s), 10.6(w),  
10.8(m), 11.4(m), 11.9(w), 12.2(m),  
13.2(m), 14.0(m)μ.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Broad peaks at 2.45 τ,  
3.18 τ(NH). Quadruplet centred at 3.98 τ,  
J=17 c/sec; doublet centred at 4.05 τ,  
J=24 c/sec (CH)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Doublet centred at -28.7δ,  
J=27 c/sec; quintuplet centred at -30.8δ,  
J=17 c/sec.

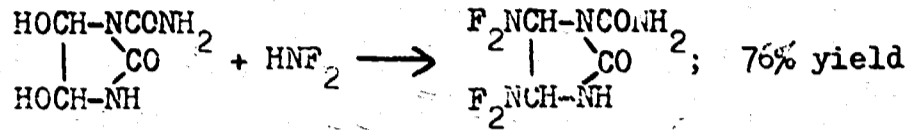
Other Properties: Nitration with HNO<sub>3</sub> gave a solid, m.p.  
65-70°. Nitrous acid decomposed the compound.  
The infra-red and n.m.r. spectrum support the  
imidazolidin-2-one structure.

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Preparation: Treatment of 1:1 glyoxal:biuret adduct or its acetate with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  alone, or in the presence of paraformaldehyde or of glyoxal



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965; No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965.

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21. N-Difluoraminomethyl acrylamide

Structure:  $\text{CH}_2=\text{CH}.\text{CONHCH}_2\text{NF}_2$

Physical State: White solid m.p.  $45-8^\circ$  (recrystallised from acetone/hexane)

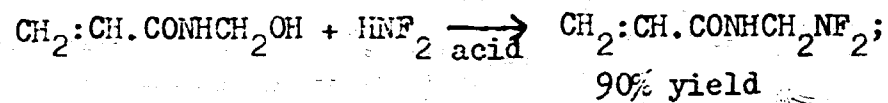
Analysis: Found: C, 34.8; H, 4.3; F, 26.0; N, 20.8%

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_6\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires: C, 35.3; H, 4.4; F, 27.9; N, 20.6%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.1(s), 6.05(s), 6.2(s), 6.5(s),  
7.1(s), 7.65(m), 8.1(s), 8.95(m),  
9.1(m), 10.1(s), 10.3(s), 10.9(s),  
11.55(m), 12.4(s), 14.1(m)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity:  $>200$  cm

Preparation: Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  on N-methylol acrylamide:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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22. N-Difluoraminoethyl-N'-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)urea

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2NHCONHCH_2C(NO_2)_3$

Physical State: White solid m.p. 170-1° (recrystallised from  
MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O)

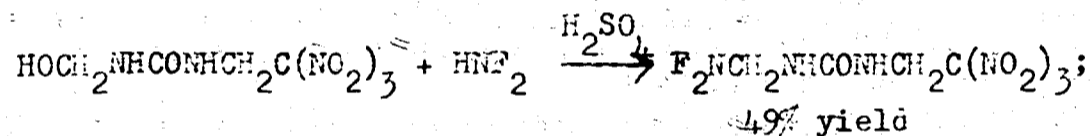
Analysis: Found: C, 17.3; H, 1.9; F, 12.9; N, 30.6%

$C_4H_6F_2N_4O_7$  requires: C, 16.7; H, 2.1; F, 13.2; N, 29.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.0(m), 6.1(s), 6.3(s), 6.4(s),  
7.15(m), 7.8(s), 8.05(m), 9.1(w),  
9.9(w), 11.05(w), 11.5(m), 11.7(w),  
12.4(m), 12.9(m), 13.6(m), 13.9(m)μ.

Other Properties: Vacuum Thermal Stability test, 0.2 ml/g/100 hr  
at 60°

Preparation: Difluoramination of N-hydroxymethyl-N'-(2,2,2-  
trinitroethyl)urea with HNF<sub>2</sub> and 96% H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 - December 31,  
1965; 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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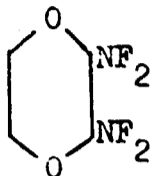
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23. 2,3-Bis(difluoramino)dioxan

Structure:



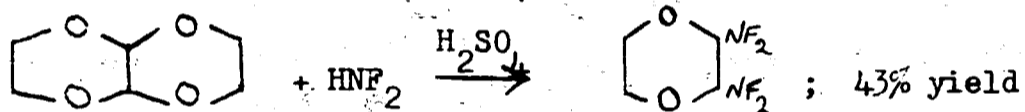
Analysis: Found: C, 25.3; H, 4.6; F, 40.3; N, 15.0%

$C_4H_6F_4N_2O_2$  requires: C, 25.3; H, 3.2; F, 40.0; N, 14.7%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.3(w), 6.8(m), 7.9(s), 8.4(s), 9.6(m),  
9.9(m), 10.3(m), 10.8(s), 11.6(s),  
12.6(s), 13.7(m)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 40-60 cm

Preparation: Reaction of 2,3-ethylenedioxydioxan with  $HNF_2$  in  
the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$ .



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 10, October 1 - December  
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24. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-diformamidoethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHCHO)_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 184-185°C (recrystallised from isopropanol) (Esso Report 195-6°)

Analysis: Found: C, 21.9; H, 2.9; F, 35.2; N, 24.5%

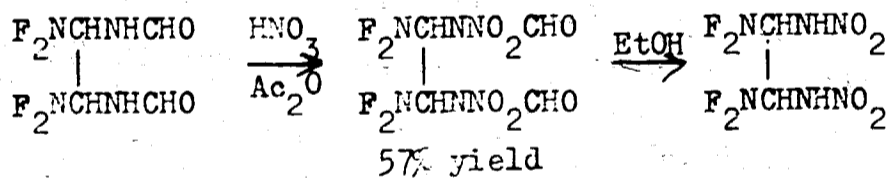
Calc. for  $C_4H_6F_4N_4O_2$ : C, 22.0; H, 2.8; F, 34.9; N, 25.7%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.4(m), 5.9(s), 6.6(s),  
7.2(m), 7.9(s), 8.2(m), 9.8(m),  
11.4(s), 11.8(m), 12.4(m), 13.6(s),  
14.7(m), 17.5(m), 19.6(w)  $\mu$ .

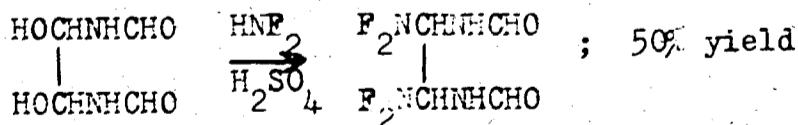
Impact Sensitivity: 20-30 cm

Explosion Point: 169°C

Other Properties: Intermediate in the preparation of 1,2-bis(difluoramino)ethane-1,2-dinitramine by the process:



Preparation: The reaction of 1,2-diformamidoethane-1,2-diol with  $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$ :



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References: Esso, Q.P.R. 62-1, December 1961 - March 1962  
I.C.I. Progress Report No. 16, April 1 - June  
30, 1964; No. 17, July 1 - September 30, 1964.

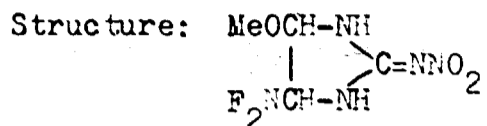
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25. 4-Difluoramino-5-methoxy-2-nitriminoimidazolidine



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 152°

Analysis: Found: C, 22.9; H, 3.5; F, 17.3; N, 32.4%

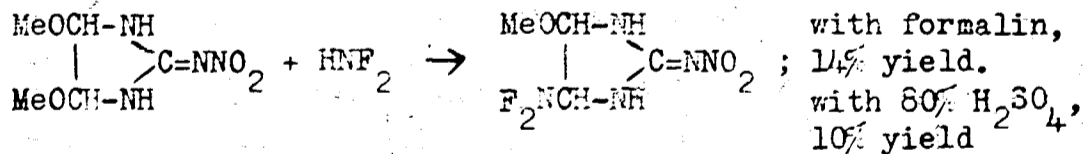
$\text{C}_4\text{H}_7\text{F}_2\text{N}_5\text{O}_3$  requires: C, 22.8; H, 3.3; F, 17.9; N, 33.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 3.1(s), 3.2(s), 6.6(s),  
7.8-7.9(s), 8.15(s), 8.9(m), 9.1(m),  
9.35(s), 10.4(s), 11.3(m), 12.1-12.2(m),  
12.85  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR spectrum (Acetone solution): NH absorptions at 0.72 and  
1.21  $\tau$ . Complex series of peaks in the region  
4.0 to 5.5  $\tau$  associated with ring CH. Peaks due  
to  $\text{CH}_3$  groups obscured by solvent.

<sup>19</sup>FNMR spectrum (Acetone solution): Two doublets centred at  
-38.8  $\delta$  (J=27 c/sec) and -41.6  $\delta$  (J=18 c/sec)

Preparation: Treatment of 4,5-dimethoxy-2-nitriminoimidazolidine  
with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  in the presence of 37%  
formalin, or of 80%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



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26. Ethyl N-difluoraminomethyl-N-fluorocarbamate

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2NFCOOEt$

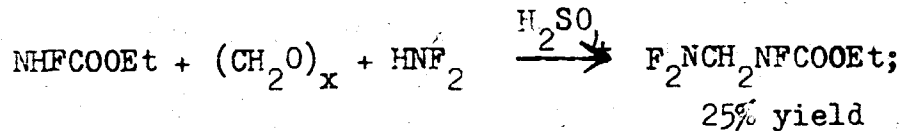
Physical State: Colourless liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 31.3; H, 5.2; F, 27.7; N, 17.3%

$C_4H_7F_3N_2O_2$  requires: C, 27.9; H, 4.1; F, 33.1; N, 16.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.35(m), 5.9(s), 6.6(s),  
7.15(s), 7.5(s), 7.55(s), 8.1(s),  
8.5(m), 9.15(s), 9.7(s), 11.1(s),  
11.45(m), 12.3(s), 12.85(s), 13.6(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reaction of  $HNF_2$  and paraformaldehyde with ethyl  
N-fluorocarbamate in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -  
December 31, 1963.

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27. Tris(difluoraminomethyl)urea

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2)_2NCONHCH_2NF_2$

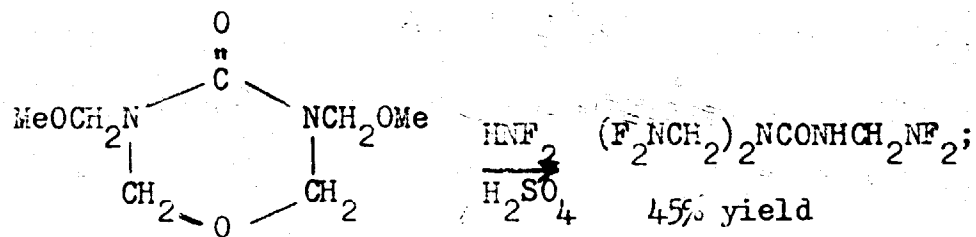
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 70-74° (purified by sublimation at 100°C)

Analysis: Found: C, 19.0; H, 3.5; F, 44.6; N, 27.9%

$C_4H_7F_6N_5O$  requires: C, 18.8; H, 2.7; F, 44.7; N, 27.4%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(m), 6.0(s), 8.5(m), 8.0(m), 10.0(m), 10.9(s), 12.3(s), 12.9(m)μ.

Preparation: Action of excess  $HNF_2$  in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$  on crude N,N'-bis(methoxymethyl)uron



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 12, July 1, 1962 - June 30, 1963; No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965.

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28. Ethyl N-difluoraminoethylcarbamate

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2NHCOOEt$

Physical State: Liquid

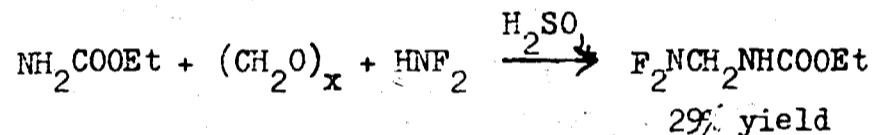
Analysis: Found: C, 30.7; H, 4.8; F, 26.2; N, 18.0%

Calc. for  $C_4H_8F_2N_2O_2$ : C, 31.2; H, 5.2; F, 24.7; N, 18.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 3.3(m), 5.85(s), 6.5(s),  
6.9(m), 7.1(m), 7.3(m), 7.5(m), 8.0(s),  
8.45(m), 8.9(m), 9.1(s), 9.7(s), 11.0(s),  
11.4(m), 12.2(s), 12.8(m), 13.7(m)<sup>μ</sup>.

Other Properties: Did not give difluoraminoethyl ammonium ion  
on reaction with  $HClO_4$

Preparation: Reaction of  $HNF_2$  on ethyl carbamate and paraformaldehyde  
in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$



References: Aerojet-General Corp. Report No. 0235-01-12,  
Sept. 1 - Nov. 30, 1961.  
I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -  
Dec. 31, 1963; No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964.

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29. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-dimethoxyethane

Structure:  $\text{CH}_3\text{OCHNF}_2\text{CHNF}_2\text{OCH}_3$

Physical State: Colourless liquid

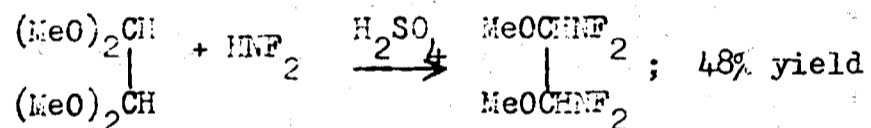
Analysis: Found: C, 25.5; H, 5.4; F, 39.5; N, 13.5%

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_8\text{F}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 25.0; H, 4.2; F, 39.6; N, 14.6%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(s), 6.9(s), 7.35(s), 8.25(s),  
8.7(s), 8.9(s), 9.65(s), 10.1(m),  
10.4(m), 11.5(s), 12.1(s), 13.1(m),  
13.9(s)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 40-60 cm

Preparation: Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with glyoxal tetramethylacetal in  
the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



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30. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)-N-methoxyurea

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2N(OMe)CONHCH_2NF_2$

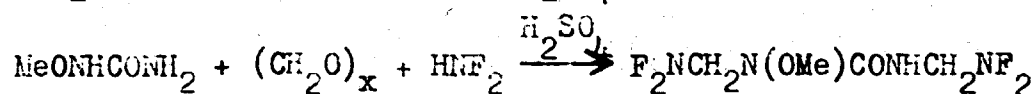
Physical State: Gum

Analysis: Found: C, 22.7; H, 4.5; F, 31.9; N, 24.7; OCH<sub>3</sub>, 14.1%

$C_4H_8F_4N_2O_2$  requires: C, 21.8; H, 3.6; F, 34.6; N, 25.4; OCH<sub>3</sub>, 14.1%

Preparation: Reaction of methoxyurea with paraformaldehyde and

$HNF_2$  in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$



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31. 1,7-Bis(difluoramino)-2,4,6-trinitro-2,4,6-triazaheptane

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2N(NO_2)CH_2N(NO_2)CH_2N(NO_2)CH_2NF_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 156-7° (recrystallised from isopropanol)

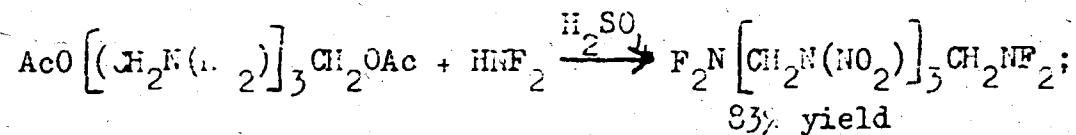
Analysis: Found: C, 15.4; H, 2.7; F, 19.7; N, 31.7%

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 357

$C_4H_8F_4N_6O_6$  requires: C, 14.1; H, 2.4; F, 22.3; N, 32.9%; M, 340

Infra-red absorptions at: 6.3(s), 6.5(m), 7.0(s), 7.15(m), 7.85(s),  
7.95(s), 8.65(m), 9.0(m), 9.9(m),  
10.35(s), 10.6(s), 10.8(m), 12.4(m),  
13.05(m), 13.25(m)

Preparation: Action of  $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$  on 2,4,6-trinitro-2,4,6-triazaheptane-1,7-diacetate:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965.

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32. 2-Difluoraminobutan-2-ol

Structure:  $\text{MeC(OH)NF}_2\text{Et}$

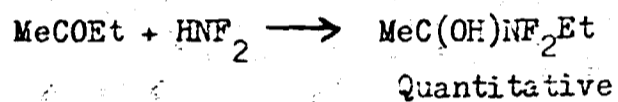
Physical State: Colourless liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 38.5; H, 7.0; F, 30.1; N, 8.6%

$\text{C}_4\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{NO}$  requires: C, 38.4; H, 7.2; F, 30.4; N, 11.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(s), 3.35(s), 6.9(s), 7.1(s),  
7.3(s), 7.8(m), 8.3(s), 8.5(s),  
9.5(s), 9.7(s), 10.2(s), 10.4(s),  
11.4(s) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reflux of  $\text{HNF}_2$  over methylethyl ketone



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 6, October 1 - December 31,  
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33. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-di(methanesulphonamido)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHSO_2Me)_2$

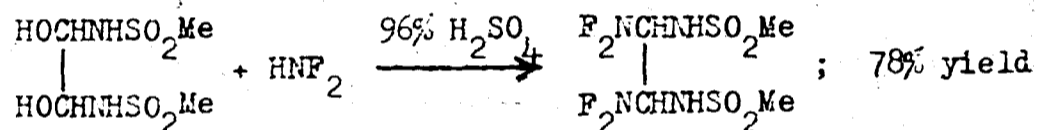
Physical State: Solid

Analysis: Found: C, 18.0; H, 5.0; F, 20.65; N, 15.9; S, 23.0%

$C_4H_{10}F_4N_4O_4S_2$  requires: C, 15.4; H, 5.1; F, 23.9; N, 17.6; S, 20.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.1(m), 7.4(s), 7.5(s), 7.65(s), 7.8(m),  
8.6(s), 8.75(m), 9.3(m), 9.75(m), 10.35(m),  
10.7(s), 11.4(s), 11.7(s), 13.1(s),  
13.5(m), 14.0(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Treatment of 1,2-di(methanesulphonamido)ethane-1,2-diol with  $HNF_2$  and  $H_2SO_4$ :



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3+. N,N'-Bis(2,2,2-tribromo-1-difluoroaminoethyl)urea

Structure:  $(\text{CBr}_3\text{CHNF}_2\text{NH})_2\text{CO}$

Physical State: Prisms, m.p.  $145^\circ$ , recrystallised from ethanol

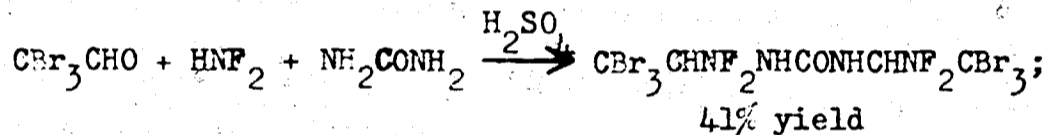
Analysis: Found: C, 8.5; H, 0.75; Br, 65.0; F, 11.2; N, 9.9%

$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_4\text{Br}_6\text{F}_4\text{N}_4\text{O}$  requires: C, 8.7; H, 0.6; Br, 69.4; F, 11.0; N, 8.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.90(m), 3.01(s), 5.97(s), 6.06(m), 6.54(s),  
8.07(m), 8.33(m), 8.70(m), 9.17(m), 9.80(m),  
10.8(m), 11.76(s), 12.8(s), 13.9(s)  $\mu$ .

Other Properties: No replacement of bromine by  $\text{NF}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$  or  $\text{ONO}_2$  on further treatment with  $\text{HNF}_2/118\% \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{HNF}_2/\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ ,  $\text{AgNO}_2$  or  $\text{AgNO}_3$ .

Preparation: The reaction of bromal, urea,  $\text{HNF}_2$  and  $96\% \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 - December 31, 1965.

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35. N,N'-Bis(2,2,2-trichloro-1-difluoroethyl)urea

Structure:  $(\text{CCl}_3\text{CHNF}_2\text{NH})_2\text{CO}$

Physical State: Prisms, m.p.  $160^\circ$ , recrystallised from ethanol

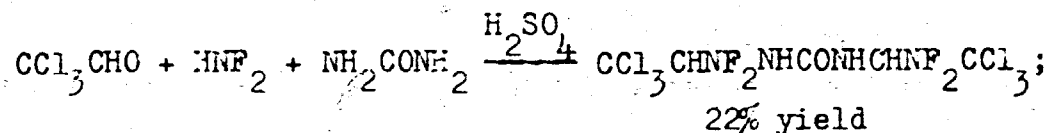
Analysis: Found: C, 14.9; H, 0.93; Cl, 44.1; F, 16.6; N, 16.5%

$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_4\text{Cl}_6\text{F}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires: C, 14.2; H, 0.95; Cl, 49.8; F, 18.0; N, 13.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.90(m), 3.01(s), 5.97(s), 6.25(m), 6.52(s),  
8.3(m), 9.2(m), 9.9(m), 10.9(m), 11.8-11.9(s),  
12.8(s), 13.9(s) $\mu$ .

Other Properties: No replacement of chlorine by  $\text{NF}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}_2$  or  $\text{ONO}_2$  on  
further treatment with  $\text{HNF}_2/118\% \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{HNF}_2/\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$ ,  
 $\text{AgNO}_2$  or  $\text{AgNO}_3$

Preparation: The reaction of chloral, urea,  $\text{HNF}_2$  and  $98\% \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 - December 31,  
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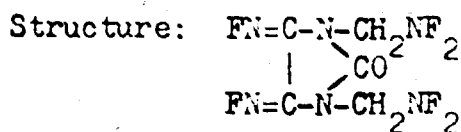
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36. 1,3-Bis(difluoraminoethyl)-4,5-difluorimidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: m.p. 162-4° (recrystallised from EtOH)

Analysis: Found: C, 21.7; H, 1.9; F, 41.8; N, 30.4%

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_4\text{F}_6\text{N}_2\text{O}$  requires: C, 21.6; H, 1.4; F, 41.0; N, 30.2%

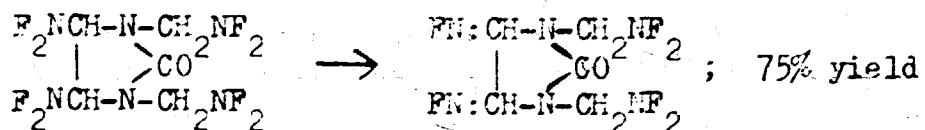
Infra-red absorptions at: 5.6(s), 6.2(s), 7.2(s), 7.7(m), 8.55(m),  
9.7(m), 9.8(m), 10.0(m), 10.25(s), 10.8(s),  
11.2(m), 11.8(m), 12.0(s), 12.2(s), 12.4(m),  
12.9(m), 13.3(m)μ.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (MeCN solution): Triplet centred at 4.41τ (J=24 c/sec)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (MeCN solution): Single peak at +31.4 δ (C:Nf),  
triplet at -44.0 δ (J=24 c/sec) (CH<sub>2</sub>Nf<sub>2</sub>)

Other Properties: ΔH<sub>f298</sub> calc. -32.7 kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 245 calc.

Preparation: Action of HCl in aqueous acetone on 4,5-bis-  
(difluoramino)-1,3-bis(difluoraminoethyl)imidazolidin-  
2-one



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No.16, April 1 - June 30, 1964;  
No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

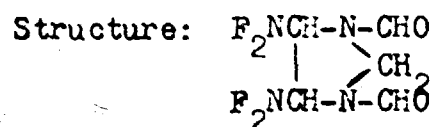
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37. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1,3-diformylimidazolidine



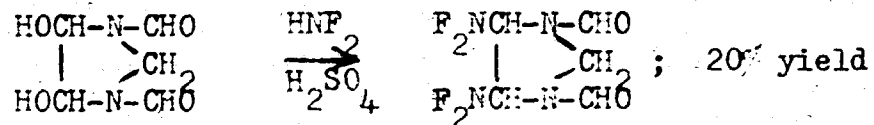
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 118°C

Analysis: Found: C, 25.5; H, 3.0; F, 31.5; N, 24.1%

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{F}_4\text{N}_4\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 26.1; H, 2.6; F, 33.0; N, 24.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(s), 6.0(s), 6.9(s), 7.3(s), 7.5(m),  
7.6(m), 7.9(m), 8.4(m), 10.9(m), 11.4(m),  
12.0(m), 12.8(m), 13.1(m), 13.7(m), 14.1(m)†.

Preparation: The action of  $\text{HNHF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  on 1,3-diformyl-  
4,5-dihydroxyimidazolidine



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964

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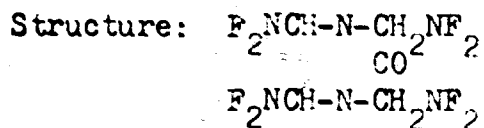


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38. 4,5-bis(difluoramino)-1,3-bis(difluoraminoethyl)imidazolidin-2-one,  
(BDMBDI)



Physical State: Liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 18.9; H, 2.0; F, 47.3; N, 26.6%;

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 324

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_6\text{F}_8\text{N}_6\text{O}$  requires: C, 18.9; H, 1.9; F, 47.8; N, 26.4; M, 318

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.3(w), 5.6(vs), 6.9(vs), 7.0(s), 7.3(s),  
7.6(w), 8.0(s), 8.4(w), 9.3(w), 9.7(m),  
10.0(m), 10.7(s), 11.4(s), 12.2(s),  
13.3(w), 14.4(w), 16.4(w), 20.0(w)  $\mu$ .

$^1\text{H}$ NMR Spectrum ( $\text{CCl}_4$  solution): 15 peaks in the region 4.15 to 5.72  $\tau$  consisting of a triplet due to the magnetically equivalent hydrogen nuclei on the  $\text{CH}_2$  groups, and a pair of sextuplets due to the magnetically non-equivalent ring CH-rings.

$^{19}\text{F}$ NMR Spectrum ( $\text{CCl}_4$  solution): Doublet centred at  $-30.5\delta$ ,  $J=18$  c/sec.  
( $\text{CHNF}_2$ ). Triplet centred at  $-43.2\delta$ ,  $J=21$  c/sec  
( $\text{CH}_2\text{NF}_2$ ). Doublet:triplet in 1:1 ratio.

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point:  $>250^\circ\text{C}$  (volatilisation occurred above  $140^\circ\text{C}$ )

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Other Properties:  $\Delta_{\text{sub}}$  cal/g. Mol. wt./mole. Micropropellant

I.S. 240 cal/g. Vapour pressure measured:

50° 0.1 mm 60° 0.3 mm

50° 0.2 60° 0.3

40° 1.5

Vapour Thermal Stabilities at 60° alone or with

HFWA, AP, Al showed a steady gas evolution rate

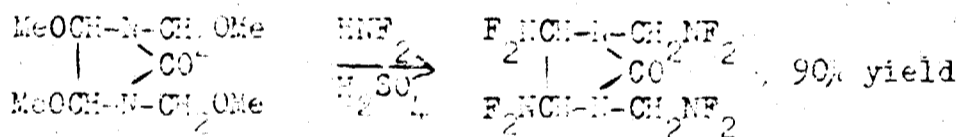
of 0.3 ml/ /100 hr. Slightly swelled CIO and

BLI/DI castin powders. DTA of sample in

closed tube gave an exotherm leading to detonation,

starting at 220°.

Preparation: The action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  on 4,5-dimethoxy-  
1,3-di(methoxymethyl)imidazolidin-2-one.



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 18. April 1 - June 30, 1964;

No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965; No. 21, July 1 -

September 1, 1965.

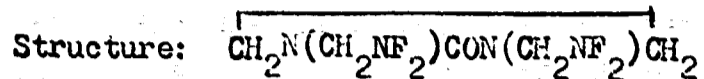
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39. 1,3-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)imidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: Yellowish liquid

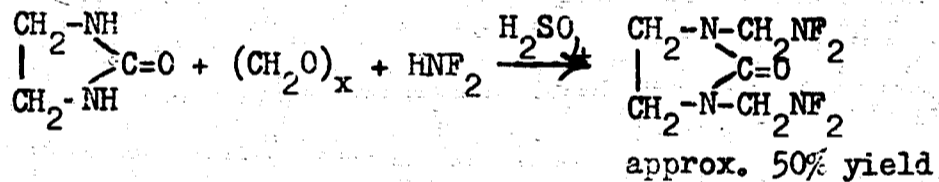
Analysis: Found: C, 28.2; H, 3.8; F, 32.8; N, 25.9%

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_8\text{F}_4\text{N}_4\text{O}$  requires: C, 27.8; H, 3.7; F, 35.2; N, 25.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.0(w), 3.5(w), 5.85(s), 6.75(s), 7.0(s),  
7.4(m), 7.9(s), 10.0(w), 10.4(w), 11.1(s),  
12.35(s), 13.3(w) $\mu$ .

Other Properties: Vacuum Thermal Stability 0.3 ml/g/100 hr at 60°C

Preparation: The reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with a mixture of imidazolidin-  
2-one and paraformaldehyde in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -  
December 31, 1963; No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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40. Tetrakis(difluoraminomethyl)urea

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2)_2NCON(CH_2NF_2)_2$

Physical State: Colourless liquid

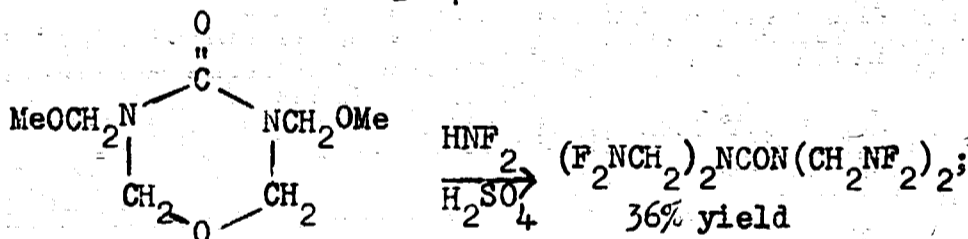
Analysis: Found: C, 18.5; H, 3.3; F, 48.1; N, 25.9%

$C_5H_8F_8N_6O$  requires: C, 18.7; H, 2.5; F, 47.5; N, 26.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(w), 3.3(w), 5.8(s), 6.5(w), 6.8(m),  
7.0(m), 7.1(m), 7.3(m), 7.7(m), 8.0(s),  
8.3(m), 9.1(m), 9.6(m), 9.8(m), 10.4(m),  
10.8(s), 12.1(s), 13.5(m)/ $\mu$ .

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -114.8 kcal/mole. Monopropellant S.I.  
265 calc.

Preparation: Action of excess  $HNF_2$  under autogenous pressure in  
the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$  on N,N'-bis(methoxymethyl)uron



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 12, July 1, 1962 -  
June 30, 1963.

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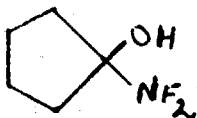
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41. 1-Difluoraminocyclopentan-1-ol

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 10°C

Analysis: Found: C, 41.7; H, 6.4; F, 24.8; N, 9.8%

$C_5H_9F_2NO$  requires: C, 45.8; H, 6.6; F, 27.7; N, 10.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(s), 3.35(s), 5.45(m), 7.1(s), 7.5(s),  
7.8(m), 8.2(m), 8.6(s), 9.1(m), 10.4(m),  
10.6(m), 11.6(s)μ.

Preparation: Refluxing  $HNF_2$  on cyclopentanone



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 6, October 1 - December 31, 1961

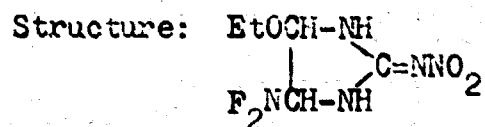
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42. 4-Difluoramino-5-ethoxy-2-nitriminoimidazolidine



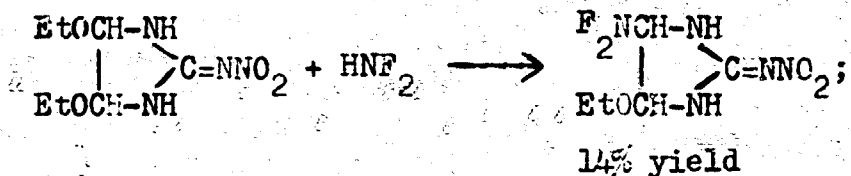
Physical State: White solid m.p. 173° (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 26.1; H, 4.0; F, 17.0; N, 30.4; EtO, 20.1%

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_9\text{F}_2\text{N}_3\text{O}_3$  requires: C, 26.7; H, 4.0; F, 16.9; N, 31.1; EtO, 20.0%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 3.1(s), 6.3 (s), 6.5(s), 7.4(m),  
7.6(m), 7.8(s), 8.1(s), 8.6(w), 9.0(s),  
9.3(s), 9.8(w), 10.3(s), 11.5(m), 12.1(m),  
12.3(m), 12.8(m), 13.3(w)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 80%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  on 4,5-diethoxy-2-nitriminoimidazolidine:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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43. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)-N-ethylurea

Structure:  $F_2NCH_2NEtCONHCH_2NF_2$

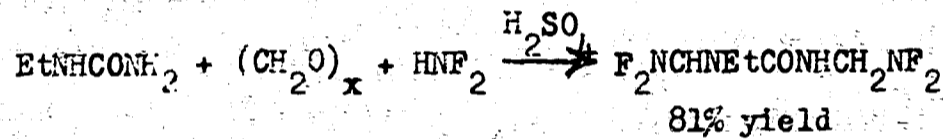
Physical State: White, hygroscopic solid, m.p. 52-53°C

Analysis: Found: C, 28.1; H, 4.8; F, 31.9; N, 26.3%

$C_5H_{10}F_4N_2O$  requires: C, 27.5; H, 4.6; F, 34.9; N, 25.7%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 6.05(s), 6.55(s), 7.95(s),  
9.1(m), 10.0(s), 11.0(s), 12.35(s),  
13.0(m), 13.7(m)μ.

Preparation: The reaction of  $HNF_2$  with a mixture of ethyl urea  
and paraformaldehyde in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 11, January 1 - March,  
31, 1963.

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44. N,N'-Bis(1-difluoroethyl)urea

Structure:  $\text{MeCH}(\text{NF}_2)\text{NHCONHCH}(\text{NF}_2)\text{Me}$

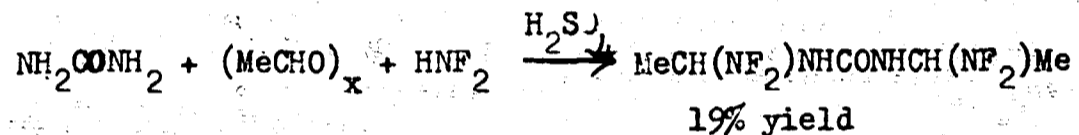
Physical State: White solid, m.p.  $125^\circ$  (dec.) (recrystallised  
from EtOH/ligroin)

Analysis: Found: C, 25.9; H, 5.0; F, 35.4; N, 26.3%

$\text{C}_5\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_4\text{N}_2$  requires: C, 27.5; H, 4.6; F, 34.9; N, 25.7%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 6.1(s), 6.5(s), 7.7(w), 8.0(m),  
8.6(m), 8.9(w), 9.3(w), 10.2(m), 11.8(s) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reaction of urea with paraldehyde,  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 - March 31,  
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45. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-dioxamidoethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHCOCOOH)_2$

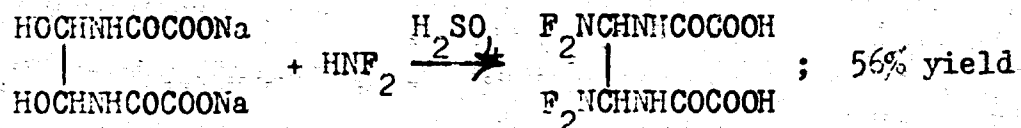
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 100° (dec.)

Analysis: Found: C, 23.6; H, 2.2; F, 22.7, N, 17.4%

$C_6H_6F_4N_4O_6$  requires: C, 23.5; H, 2.0; F, 24.8; N, 18.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 3.0(s), 5.7(s), 5.9(s), 6.5(s),  
7.65(m), 8.0(s), 9.0(w), 9.8(w), 10.75(m),  
11.55(m), 12.2(w), 13.3(m), 13.8(m)μ.

Preparation: Reaction of 1,2-di(sodio-oxamido)ethane-1,2-diol  
with  $HNF_2$  and  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 19, January 1 - March,  
31, 1965.

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45. 1,2-bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis(trifluoroacetamido)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2NHCOCF_3)_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 183-5°

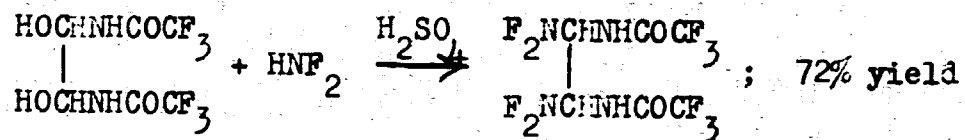
Analysis: Found: C, 20.1; H, 1.3; F, 53.9; N, 15.5%;

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 356

$C_6H_4F_{10}N_4O_2$  requires: C, 20.3; H, 1.1; F, 53.7; N, 15.8%; M, 354.

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.05(s), 5.9(s), 6.55(m), 8.1(m), 8.3(s),  
8.55(s), 11.1(m), 11.95(m), 13.3(m),  
13.8-14.0(m) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reaction of 1,2-bis(trifluoroacetamido)ethane-1,2-diol  
with  $HNF_2$  and  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965

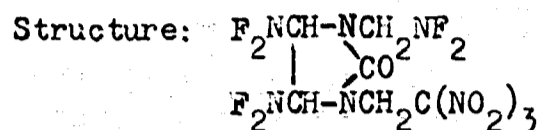
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47. 4,5-Bis(difluoramino)-1-difluoraminomethyl-3-(2,2,6-trinitroethyl)-imidazolidin-2-one (BDTI)



Physical State: Crystalline solid, m.p. 86-87° (recrystallised from CCl<sub>4</sub>)

Analysis: Found: C, 17.5; H, 1.4; F, 27.1; N, 26.9%

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>F<sub>6</sub>N<sub>8</sub>O<sub>7</sub> requires: C, 17.3; H, 1.4; F, 27.4; N, 26.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.6(s), 6.2-6.3(s), 6.9-7.1(s), 7.7(s),  
8.1(s), 9.4(m), 9.8(m), 9.95(m), 10.1(m),  
10.8(s), 11.4(s), 11.6(s), 11.75(s),  
12.2-12.3(s), 12.85(s), 13.0(s)μ.

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub> solution): 16 peaks in the region 4.03 to 5.68τ consisting of a singlet due to the hydrogen nuclei of the CH<sub>2</sub>C(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub> group, a triplet due to the hydrogen nuclei of the CH<sub>2</sub>NF<sub>2</sub> group, and a pair of sextuplets due to the magnetically non-equivalent ring CH-rings.

<sup>19</sup>F-NMR Spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub> solution): A triplet centred at -28.8δ, J=21 c/sec; a doublet centred at -31.0δ, J=12 c/sec; a triplet centred at -43.6δ, J=24 c/sec; three groups in ratio 1:1:1, assigned to NF<sub>2</sub> groups on positions 5, 4 and 1 respectively.

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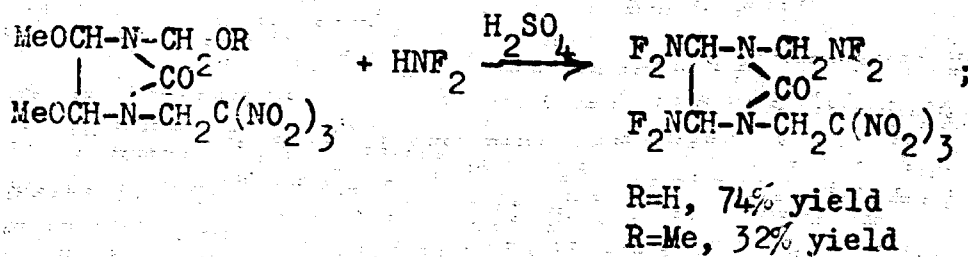
Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -150.0 kcal/mole. Monopropellant

S.I. 263 calc. Vacuum Thermal Stability

0.3 ml/g/100 hr at 60°

Preparation: Action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  on 4,5-dimethoxy-1-methoxymethyl-3-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)imidazolidin-2-one:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Reports No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965; No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965; No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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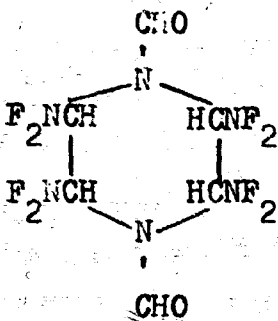
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48. 2,3,5,6-Tetrakis(difluoramino)-1,4-diformylpiperazine

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 171-2°C, purified by dissolving in acetone and reprecipitating with water.

Analysis: Found: C, 21.5; H, 1.8; F, 43.3; N, 23.4%;

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 342

$C_6H_8F_8N_2O_2$  requires: C, 20.8; H, 1.7; F, 43.9; N, 24.3%; M, 346

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.3(s), 5.75(s), 6.9(m), 7.0(m), 7.5(m),  
7.8(m), 8.1(s), 9.8(s), 10.3(w), 11.2(s),  
12.0(w), 13.6(w), 14.75(m)  $\mu$ .

$^1H$ NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Singlet at 1.09  $\tau$  (CHO); Triplet at 3.68  $\tau$ ,  $J=23$  c/sec (ring CH). Each peak split into doublet,  $J=4$  c/sec.

$^{19}F$ NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Complex spectrum between -40.9  $\delta$  and -36.3  $\delta$

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point: 202°C

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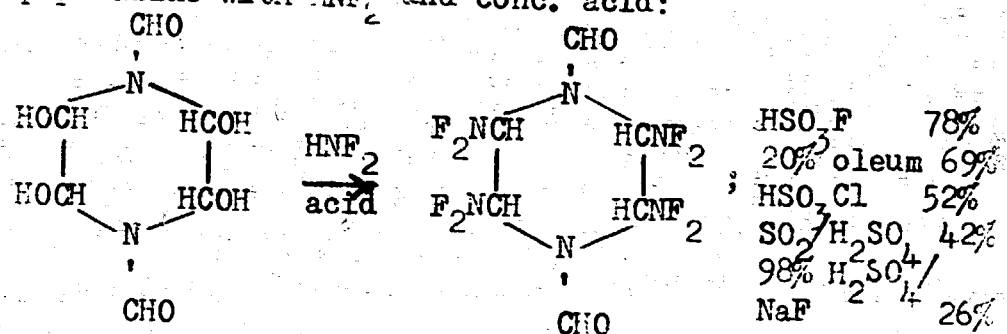
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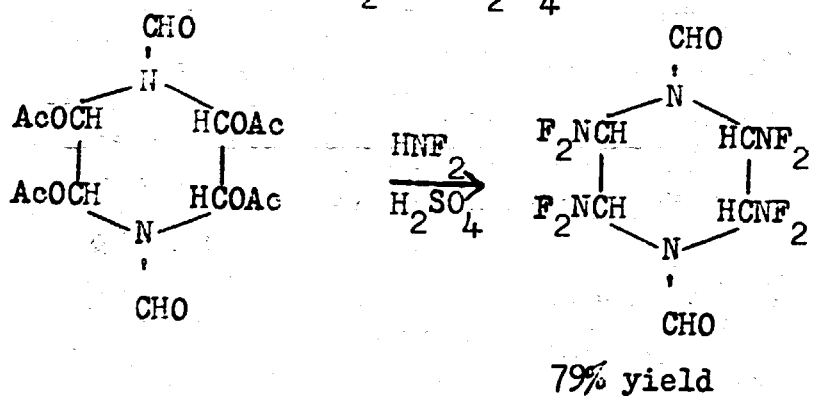
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Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -71.2 kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 260 calc. Decomposed by refluxing with  
EtOH, alone or with HCl, also by reaction with  
 $NH_3$ . Unchanged by  $HNO_3$  in  $CF_3COOH$ . Unidentified  
products from attempted reduction with  $NaBH_4$   
in  $H_2O$ , and from action of  $HClO_4$ . Cyanogen  
bromide did not react. Vacuum Thermal Stability  
Test, 0.5 ml/g/100 hr.

Preparation: (i) Reaction of 1,4-diformyl-2,3,5,6-tetrahydroxy-  
piperazine with  $HNF_2$  and conc. acid:



(ii) Reaction of 1,4-diformyl-2,3,5,6-tetraaceto-  
piperazine with  $HNF_2$  and  $H_2SO_4$



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Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964;  
No. 17, July 1 - September 30, 1964; No. 18, January 1 -  
December 31, 1964; No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965;  
No. 20; April 1 - June 30, 1965.

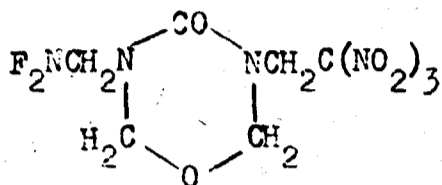
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49. N-Difluoraminomethyl-N'-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)uron

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 83-85° (recrystallised from  
i-PrOH)

Analysis: Found: C, 22.2; H, 2.1; F, 9.7; N, 24.5%

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>8</sub> requires: C, 21.8; H, 2.4; F, 11.5; N, 25.4%

Infra-red absorptions at: 6.0(s), 6.3(s), 6.7(s), 7.3(w), 7.55(m),  
7.7(m), 8.3(w), 9.0(w), 9.65(w), 9.8(w),  
10.0(w), 10.15(w), 11.1(m), 11.6(m),  
12.4(m), 12.6(m), 13.0(w), 13.4(m) μ.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR (MeCN solution): Triplet at 5.08 τ (J<sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-NF<sub>2</sub></sub> = 24 c/sec), peak  
at 5.01 τ (uron ring CH<sub>2</sub>) and peak at 4.88 τ  
[CH<sub>2</sub>C(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>], in ratio 1:2:1

<sup>19</sup>FNMR (MeCN solution): Triplet at -44.5 δ (J<sub>NF<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub></sub> = 24 c/sec)

Explosion Point: 153°

Other Properties: Vacuum Thermal Stability 4.7 ml/g/100 hr at 60°C

Preparation: Action of HNF<sub>2</sub> and 96% H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> on N-methoxymethyl-  
N'-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)uron at -23°

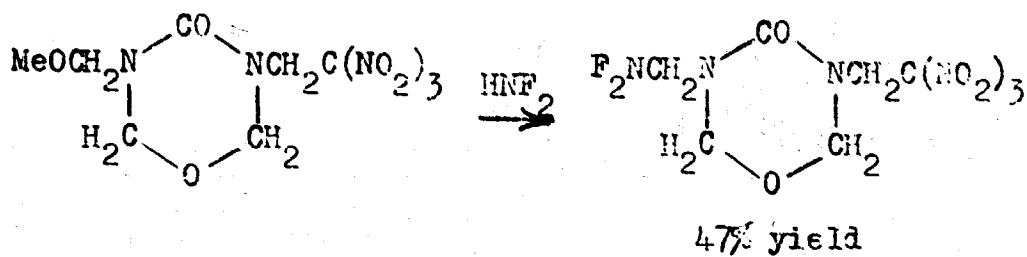
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Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 25, January 1 - March,  
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50. Tris(difluoraminomethyl)trinitroethylurea

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2)_2NCON(CH_2NF_2)CH_2C(NO_2)_3$

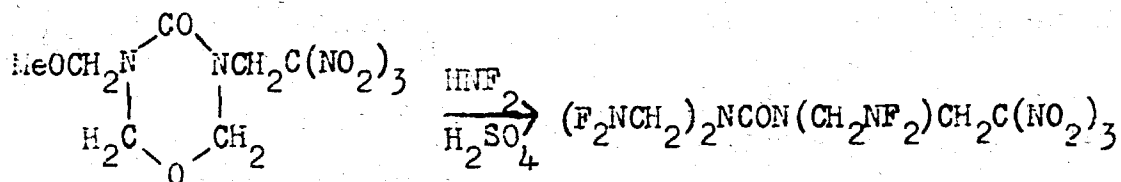
Physical State: Colourless viscous liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 16.7; H, 2.1; F, 24.0; N, 26.3%

$C_6H_8F_6N_8O_7$  requires: C, 17.2; H, 1.9; F, 27.3; N, 26.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(.), 3.5(m), 5.8(s), 6.2-6.4(s),  
6.9(s), 7.1-7.5(s), 8.1(s), 8.45(m),  
9.2(s), 9.6-10.0(s), 10.6(s), 10.75-  
11.0(s), 11.5(s), 11.75(m), 12.-12.5(m),  
13.75(w) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Action of  $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$  under autogenous pressure  
at room temperature on N-methoxymethyl-N'-(2,2,2-  
trinitroethyl)uron



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March  
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51. 1,1,4,4-Tetrakis(difluoramino)cyclohexane (TDC)



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 107-108°C

Analysis: Found: C, 24.8; H, 2.8; F, 52.8; N, 19.8%

Calc. for C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>8</sub>N<sub>4</sub>: C, 25.0, H, 2.8; F, 52.8; N, 19.5%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(s), 6.3(s), 7.2(m), 9.7(m), 9.9(m),  
10.2(s), 10.9(s), 11.1(s), 11.4(s)μ.

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub> solution): Single peak at 7.61τ

<sup>19</sup>F-NMR Spectrum (CDCl<sub>3</sub> solution): Single peak at -27.4δ

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point: Decomposes without explosion at 266°C

Other Properties: Vapour pressure:-

15°C	7.3 mm Hg	45°C	9.0 mm Hg
25	7.8	55	9.8
35	8.3	65	11.2

Heat of vaporisation: 2 kcal/mole

Density: 1.7 g/c.c.

U.V. absorption: λ<sub>max</sub> = 210 mμ

Very soluble in nitroglycerine

Attempts to brominate, chlorinate and oxidise

TDC were unsuccessful. TDC was resistant to alkali.

ΔH<sub>f298</sub> calc. -55.4 kcal/mole

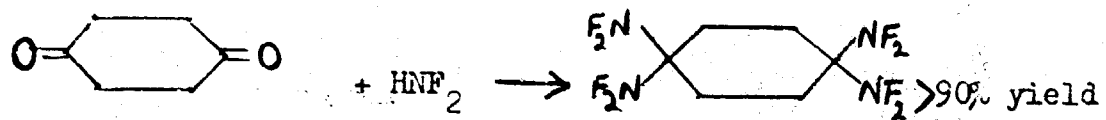
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Preparation: Reaction of cyclohexane-1,4-dione with  $\text{HNF}_2$   
in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ ,  $\text{HSO}_3\text{F}$  or  $\text{HSO}_3\text{Cl}$



References: Rohm and Haas, QPR P-61-6, January - March, 1961

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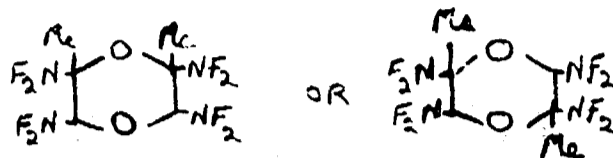
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52. 2,3,5,6-Tetrakis(difluoramino)-2,5,6-dimethyldioxan

Structure:



Physical State: Pale yellow liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 23.1; H, 2.5; F, 46.3; N, 17.5;

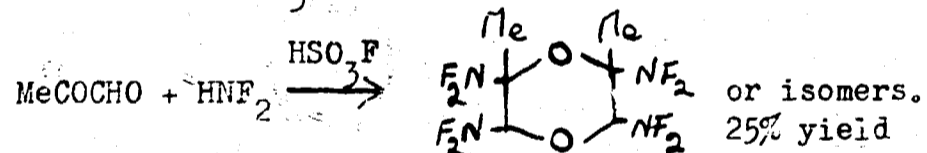
M(Gas Density balance), 307

$C_6H_8F_8N_4O_2$  requires: C, 22.5; H, 2.5; F, 47.5; N, 17.5%; M, 320

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(w), 6.9(w), 7.2(m), 8.1(m), 8.4(s),  
8.8(s), 9.2(m), 9.8(m), 10.1(s), 10.6(s),  
11.3(s), 11.7(m)<sup>M</sup>.

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Preparation: Reaction of  $HNF_2$  with monomethyl glyoxal in the presence of  $HSO_3F$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 13, July 1, 1963 -  
September 30, 1963.

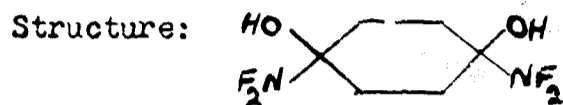
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53. 1,4-Bis(difluoramino)cyclohexane-1,4-diol



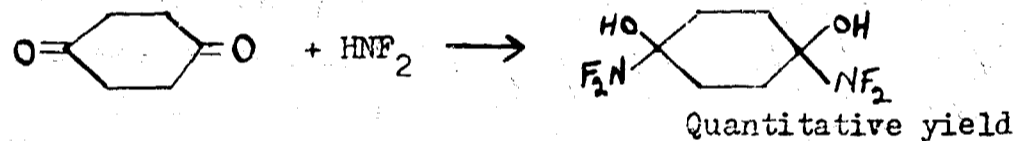
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 145°C

Analysis: Found: C, 33.5; H, 4.3; F, 35.7; N, 13.0%

$C_6H_{10}F_4N_2O_2$  requires: C, 33.0; H, 4.6; F, 34.9; N, 12.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(s), 7.1(m), 7.8(s), 8.2(m), 8.7(w),  
8.95(w), 9.3(s), 9.7(s), 10.1(m),  
10.3(w), 10.5(s), 11.3(s), 11.8(s),  
12.5(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Refluxing  $HNF_2$  over cyclohexane-1,4-dione



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 5, July 1 - September  
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54. 1,2-Diacetamido-1,2-bis(difluoramino)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHAc)_2$

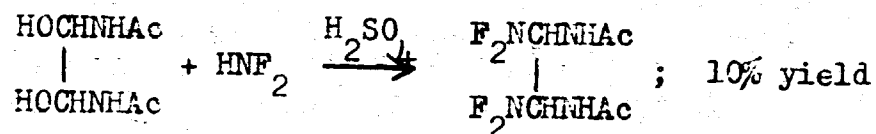
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 194°C

Analysis: Found: C, 28.5; H, 4.2; F, 29.1; N, 21.8%

$C_6H_{10}F_4N_4O_2$  requires: C, 29.3; H, 4.1; F, 30.9; N, 22.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.4(s), 6.0(s), 6.5(s), 6.9(s),  
7.3(s), 7.8(s), 8.6(m), 8.7(m), 9.7(m),  
10.3(m), 11.2(m), 11.5(s), 12.1(m),  
13.3(s), 13.9(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reaction of  $HNF_2$  with 1,2-diacetamidoethane-1,2-diol  
in the presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 - March  
31, 1964; No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964.

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55. 1,2-Di(carbomethoxyamino)-1,2-bis(difluoroamino)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHCOOMe)_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 222-4° (dec.) (recrystallised from ethanol/ligroin)

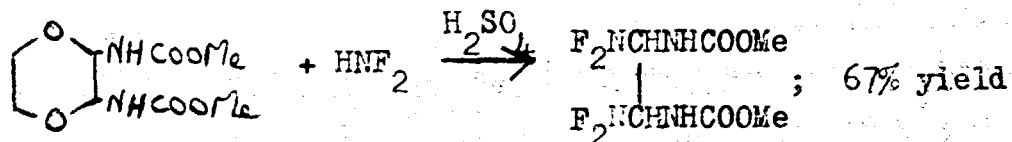
Analysis: Found: C, 26.4; H, 3.5; F, 27.7; N, 20.2;  $OCH_3$ , 22.8%

$C_6H_{10}F_4N_4O_4$  requires: C, 25.9; H, 3.6; F, 27.4; N, 20.2;

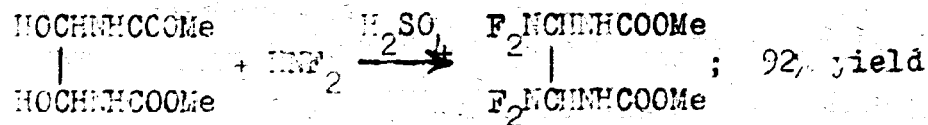
$OCH_3$ , 22.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 5.9(s), 6.6(s), 6.9(m), 7.55(s),  
7.8(s), 8.2(m), 8.5(w), 9.4(m), 9.65(m),  
9.85(w), 10.5(w), 11.1(m), 11.65(s),  
12.1(m), 12.8(s), 13.5(m)μ.

Preparation: (i) Action of  $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$  on 2,3-di-(carbomethoxyamino)-1,4-dioxan:



(ii) Action of  $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$  on 1,2-di-(carbomethoxyamino)ethane-1,2-diol:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1955.

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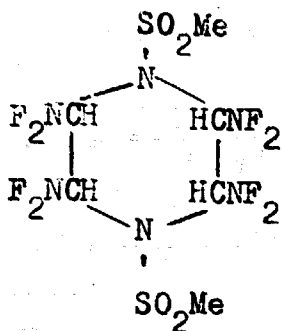
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56. 2,3,5,6-Tetrakis(difluoramino)-1,4-di(methanesulphonyl)piperazine

Structure:



Physical State: m.p. 235-240°C (decomp.), recrystallised from  
acetonitrile

Analysis: Found: C, 16.0; H, 2.7; F, 35.4; N, 18.5; S, 15.2%

$C_6H_{10}F_8N_4O_2S_2$  requires: C, 16.1; H, 2.2; F, 34.1; N, 18.8;  
S, 14.4%

Infra-red absorptions at: 7.1(m), 7.3(s), 7.6(m), 7.7(s), 8.1(s),  
8.5(s), 9.2(s), 9.9(m), 10.2(s), 10.3(s),  
10.4(s), 11.0(s), 11.3(s), 11.6(s), 13.1(s),  
14.85(s)  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at 3.95  $\tau$ , J=21 c/sec  
(ring CH)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR (Acetone solution): Pair of doublets at -41.3  $\delta$  (J=12 c/sec.)  
and -38.7  $\delta$  (J=12 c/sec)

Impact Sensitivity: 20-40 cm

Explosion Point: >250°C

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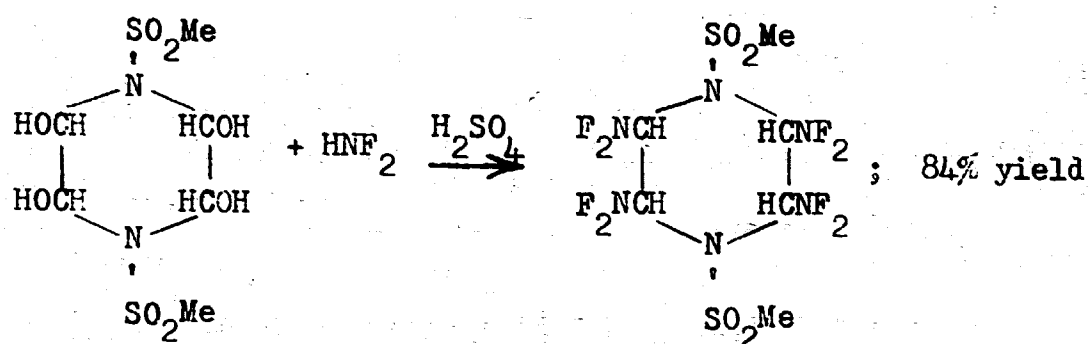
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Other Properties: Unchanged by  $\text{HNO}_3$ / $(\text{CF}_3\text{CO})_2\text{O}$ , Raney nickel,  
 $\text{NaBH}_4/\text{H}_2\text{O}$ , or cyanogen bromide

Preparation: Action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  and  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  on 2,3,5,6-tetrahydroxy-  
1,4-di(methanesulphonyl)piperazine.



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 18, January 1 -

December 31, 1964; No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965.

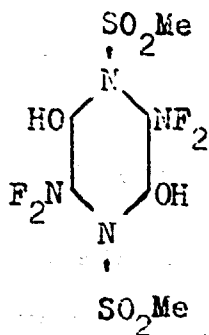
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57. 2,5-Bis(difluoramino)-3,6-dihydroxy-1,4-di(methanesulphonyl)-  
piperazine

Structure:



Physical State: Crystalline solid, m.p. 188° (decomp.)

(recrystallised from MeCN, EtOH)

Analysis: Found: C, 19.8; H, 3.5; F, 21.6; N, 14.2; S, 18.1%

$C_6H_{12}F_4N_4O_4S_2$  requires: C, 19.2; H, 3.2; F, 20.2; N, 14.9; S, 17.0%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.85(s), 6.9(s), 7.1(m), 7.45(s), 7.55(s),  
7.9(s), 8.4(s), 8.7(s), 9.1(s), 9.3(s),  
10.2(m), 10.35(s), 10.85(s), 11.45(s),  
12.9(s)  $\mu$ .

Other Properties: Forms adduct with dioxan. Converted to diacetate.

m.p. 210-220° (decomp.) and to tetrakis-

(difluoramino) derivative.

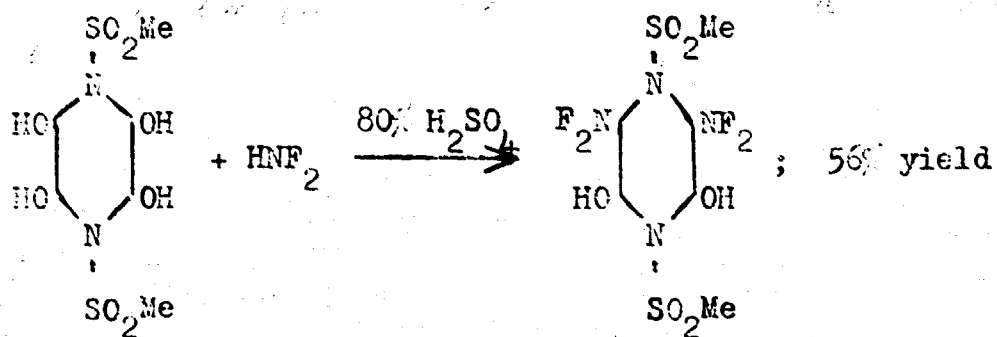
Preparation: Treatment of 2,3,5,6-tetrahydroxy-1,4-di(methanesulphonyl)piperazine with  $BF_3$  and 80%  $H_2SO_4$

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Reference: I.C.I. Progress Reports No. 20, April 1 - June 30,  
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58. 2-Difluoramino-1,1-diethoxypropan-2-ol

Structure:  $(\text{EtO})_2\text{C}(\text{OH})\text{NF}_2\text{Me}$

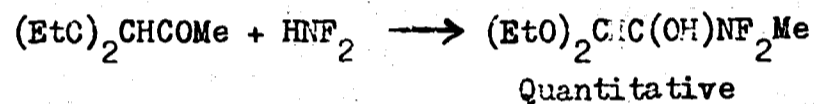
Physical State: Colourless liquid

Analysis: Found: F, 20.5; N, 7.7:

$\text{C}_7\text{H}_{15}\text{F}_2\text{NO}_3$  requires: F, 19.1; N, 7.0%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(m), 5.4(m), 5.9(m), 7.2(m), 8.0(s),  
9.0-10.0(s), 11.5(m), 12.4(s)μ.

Preparation: Action of  $\text{HNF}_2$  on 1,1-diethoxy acetone



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 11, January 1 - March  
31, 1963.

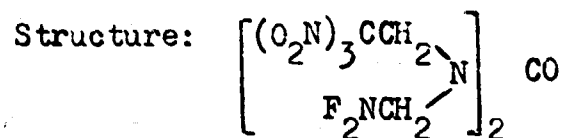
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59. N,N'-Bis(difluoraminomethyl)-bis(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)urea



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 108-9° (recrystallised from aqueous EtOH).

Analysis: Found: C, 17.0; H, 2.6; F, 14.5; N, 26.5%

$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_8\text{F}_4\text{N}_{10}\text{O}_{13}$  requires: C, 16.3; H, 1.6; F, 14.7; N, 27.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.9(s), 6.3(s), 7.15(s), 7.6(s), 7.8(s),  
8.2(s), 9.25(s), 9.9(m), 10.9(m), 11.6(s),  
11.8(m), 12.2(s), 12.5(m), 12.7(s), 13.9(s)μ.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Deuteration showed that no NH or OH were present. Triplet centred at 4.70 τ (J=23 c/sec) due to CH<sub>2</sub>NF<sub>2</sub> groups, also three peaks at 4.84, 4.62, and 4.35 τ indicating some steric hindrance of the CH<sub>2</sub>C(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub> groups.

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at 45.2 δ, J=23 c/sec, consistent with N-CH<sub>2</sub>NF<sub>2</sub> group.

Other Properties: ΔH<sub>f298</sub> calc. -111.5 kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 269 calc. Vacuum Thermal Stability test,  
0.5 ml/g/100 hr at 60°C.

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point: 169°C.

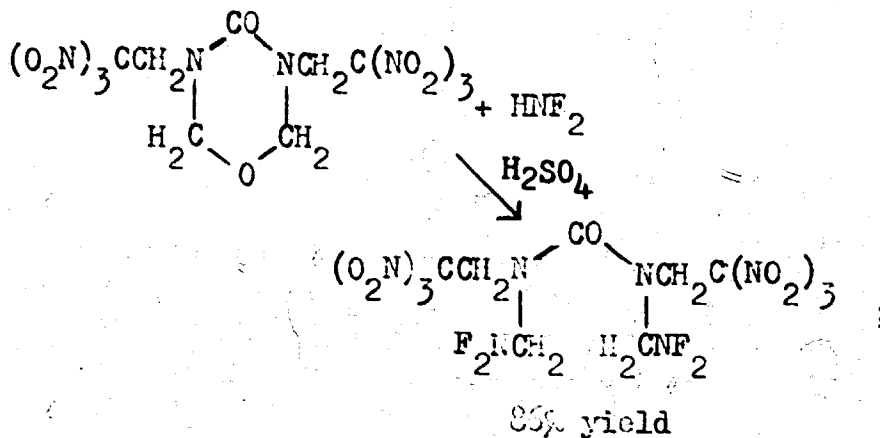
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Preparation: Reaction of N,N'-bis(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)uron with  
HNF<sub>2</sub> and 96% H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 -  
December 31, 1965; No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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60. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-dipropiolamidoethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHCOC\equiv CH)_2$

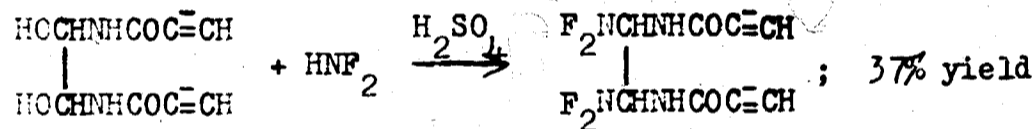
Physical State: White solid, decomp.  $160^\circ$  without melting  
(recrystallised from  $iPrOH/H_2O$ )

Analysis: Found: C, 37.2; H, 2.8; F, 23.9; N, 21.0%

$C_8H_6F_4N_4O_2$  requires: C, 36.1; H, 2.3; F, 28.6; N, 21.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.1(s), 4.7(s), 6.0(s), 6.5(s), 7.5(w),  
7.8(s), 8.1(w), 8.9(w), 9.8(w), 10.45(w),  
11.45(s), 13.2(s)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: The action of  $HNF_2$  and 98%  $H_2SO_4$  on 1,2-dipropiol-  
amidoethane-1,2-diol.



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 24, April 1 - June 30,  
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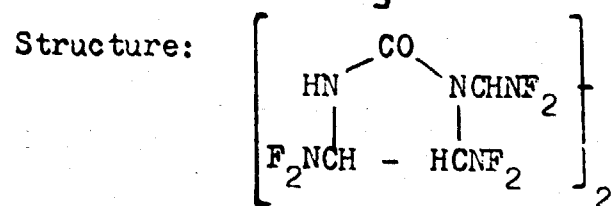


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61. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl]ethane



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 180° approx. (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 18.8; H, 2.3; F, 45.2; N, 26.3% in one case only. A more typical result is:

C, 21.5; H, 2.1; F, 38.0; N, 28.0%

$\text{C}_8\text{H}_8\text{F}_{12}\text{N}_{10}\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 19.1; H, 1.6; F, 45.2; N, 27.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.1(s), 3.2(s), 5.7(s), 8.0(s), 8.6(s),  
9.2(m), 9.8(s), 10.6(s), 10.9(s), 11.45(s),  
12.3(s), 12.9(s), 13.4(m)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point: 163-166°

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -301.2 kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 225 calc. Initially thought to be 2,3,5,6-tetrakis(difluoramino)-1,4-endoketopiperazine  
Vacuum Thermal Stability test at 60° gave steady gas evolution rate of 0.3 ml/g/100 hr.

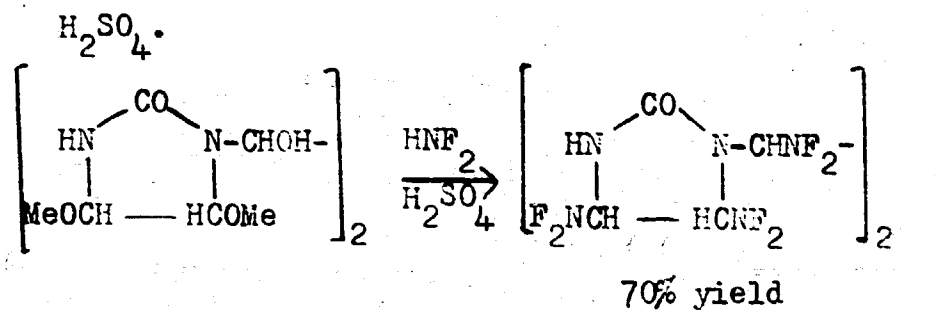
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Preparation: The reaction of the 2:1 adduct of 4,5-dimethoxyimidazolidin-2-one with glyoxal with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Reports No. 17, July 1 - September 30, 1964; No. 18, January 1 - December 31, 1964; No. 19, January 1 - March 31, 1965; No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965; No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

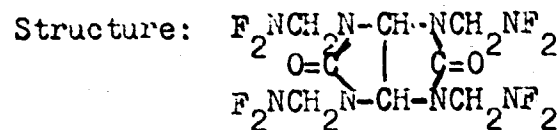
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62. Tetrakis(difluoraminomethyl)glycoluril



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 155°C

Analysis: Found: C, 24.1; H, 3.0; F, 36.9; N, 28.1%

$\text{C}_8\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_8\text{N}_8\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 23.9; H, 2.5; F, 37.8; N, 27.9%

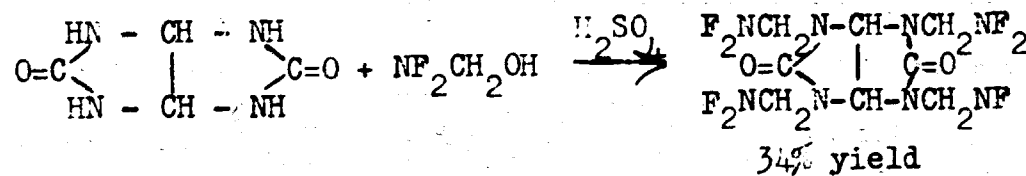
Infra-red absorptions at: 5.8(s), 7.7(m), 8.0(m), 8.4(m), 10.0(m),  
10.8(m), 12.3(s), 14.6(s)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point: 234°C

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -20.0 kcal/mole. Recovered unchanged  
from reaction with 99%  $\text{HNO}_3$  at room temperature.

Preparation: The reaction of glycoluril with difluoraminomethanol  
and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 - March  
31, 1964; No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964.

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63. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-(2-difluoramino)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2NHCOCH_2CH_2NF_2)_2$

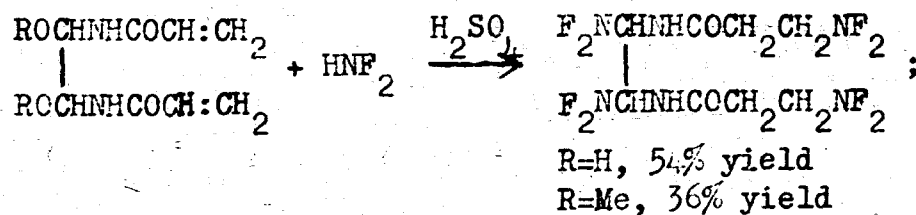
Physical State: Solid, m.p.  $185^{\circ}$  (decomp.) (recrystallised from iPrOH/ $CCl_4$ )

Analysis: Found: C, 26.3; H, 3.4; F, 40.6; N, 22.5%

$C_8H_{12}F_8N_6O_2$  requires: C, 25.6; H, 3.2; F, 40.4; N, 22.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.25(m), 6.05(s), 6.5(s), 7.55(m),  
7.95(m), 8.05(m), 8.4(m), 8.8(w), 9.8(m),  
10.3(w), 10.5(m), 11.0(s), 11.6(s), 12.0(s),  
12.5(m), 12.7(m), 13.6(s) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Reaction of 1,2-diacrylamidoethane-1,2-diol or its methyl ether with  $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$  for 8 hrs:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965.

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64. 1,2-Di(carbethoxyamino)-1,2-bis(difluoramino)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCHNHCOOEt)_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 200-205°C

Analysis: Found: C, 31.9; H, 4.5; F, 24.0; N, 18.3%

$C_8H_{14}F_4N_4O_4$  requires: C, 31.4; H, 4.6; F, 24.9; N, 18.3%

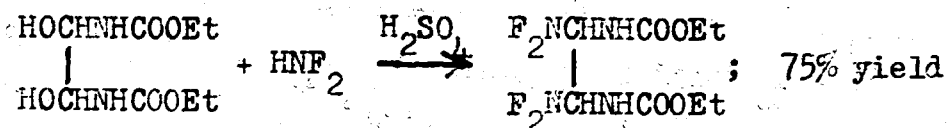
Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 5.9(s), 6.5(s), 7.3(m), 7.6(s),  
7.8(s), 8.1(m), 9.3(m), 9.5(m), 11.5(s),  
12.05(m), 12.75(m), 13.4(m), 15.4(m)  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Quadruplet centred at 5.83  $\tau$ ,  
J=7.2 c/sec (CH<sub>2</sub>). Broad doublet at 2.17, 2.30  $\tau$ ,  
J=7.8 c/sec (NH). Complex multiplet at 3.8-4.8  $\tau$  (CH)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution); Doublet at -26.9  $\delta$ , J=27 c/sec;  
singlet at -31.0  $\delta$ ; doublet at -35.2  $\delta$ , J=12 c/sec

Other Properties: Did not give an N-NO<sub>2</sub> derivative on nitration.

Preparation: Reaction of HNF<sub>2</sub> with 1,2-di(carbethoxyamino)ethane-  
1,2-diol in the presence of 96% H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>.



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 - March  
31, 1964; No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964.

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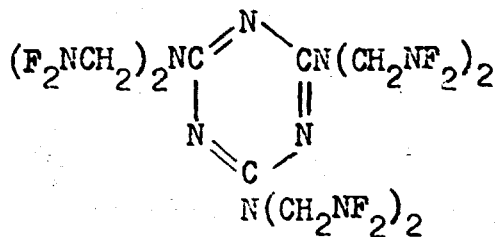
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65. Hexakis(difluoraminomethyl)melamine

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 138-140° (recrystallised from hot CCl<sub>4</sub>)

Analysis: Found: C, 22.2; H, 3.3; F, 39.5; N, 33.3%;  
M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 707

$C_9H_{12}F_{12}N_{12}$  requires: C, 21.0; H, 2.3; F, 44.2; N, 32.6%;  
M, 516

Infra-red absorptions at: 6.4(s), 7.8(m), 8.2(m), 9.4(m), 9.8(s),  
11.0(m), 11.2(m), 12.4(m), 13.9(m)  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at 4.4  $\tau$ , J=24 c/sec.

<sup>19</sup>FNMR (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at -45.6  $\tau$ , J=24 c/sec.

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Explosion Point: >260°

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  -47.9 kcal/mole (calc.). Monopropellant  
S.I. 25% calc.

Preparation: Reaction of HNF<sub>2</sub> with crude hexa(methoxymethyl)-  
melamine or with hexamethylol melamine, in the

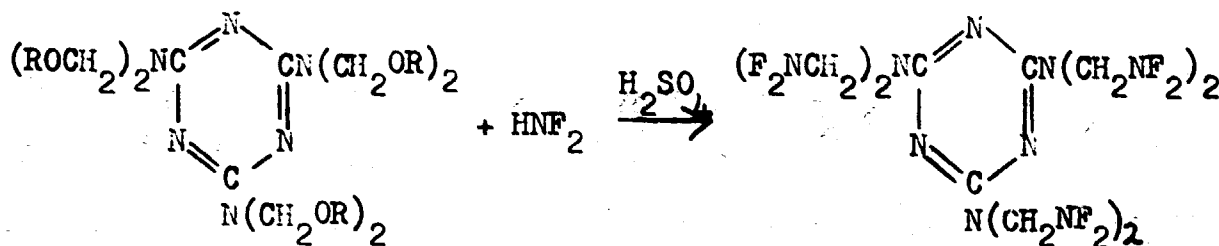
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presence of 96%  $H_2SO_4$ .



R=Me, "Low yield"

R=H, 80-90% yield

Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 12, July 1, 1962 -

June 30, 1963; No. 17, July 1 - September 30, 1964.

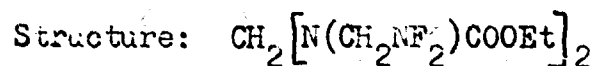
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66. Di[carbethoxy(difluoraminomethyl)amino]methane



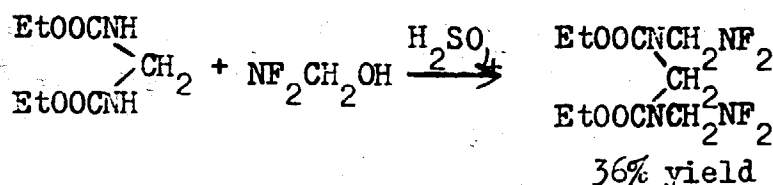
Physical State: Liquid (98% pure by GLC)

Analysis: Found: C, 32.2; H, 5.4; F, 23.2; N, 16.9%

$\text{C}_9\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_4\text{N}_4\text{O}_4$  requires: C, 33.8; H, 5.0; F, 23.7; N, 17.5%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.4(m), 5.9(s), 6.6(s), 6.8(m),  
7.0(m), 7.1(m), 7.3(m), 7.6(m), 8.0(s),  
8.5(m), 9.6(s), 9.7(s), 10.4(w), 11.0(s),  
11.4(m), 12.2(s), 12.8(m), 13.6(m).

Preparation: The action of difluoraminomethanol on methylene diurethane in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 16, April 1 - June 30, 1964.

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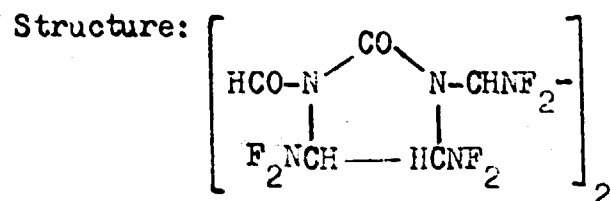


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67. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-1-formyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-3-yl]ethane



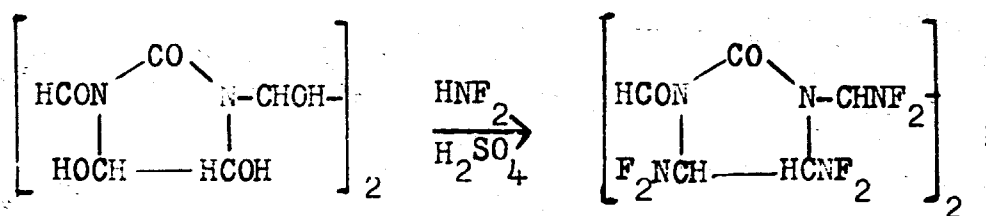
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 125° (decomp.) (reprecipitated from MeOH with H<sub>2</sub>O).

Analysis: Found: C, 22.1; H, 1.5; F, 58.9; N, 27.2%

C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>8</sub>F<sub>12</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>4</sub> requires: C, 21.4; H, 1.4; F, 40.7; N, 25.0%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.1(s), 3.2(s), 5.7(s), 7.05(s), 8.0(s),  
8.6(s), 9.8(m), 10.6(m), 10.9(s), 11.4(s),  
12.3(m), 12.9(s)μ.

Preparation: Difluoramination of the 3:2 adduct of formyl urea with glyoxal.



55% yield

Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 -  
March 31, 1966.

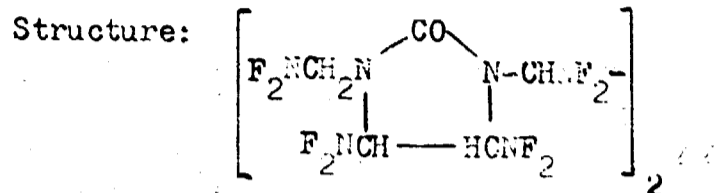
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68. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-2-difluoraminomethyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl]ethane



Physical State: Straw coloured liquid (very impure)

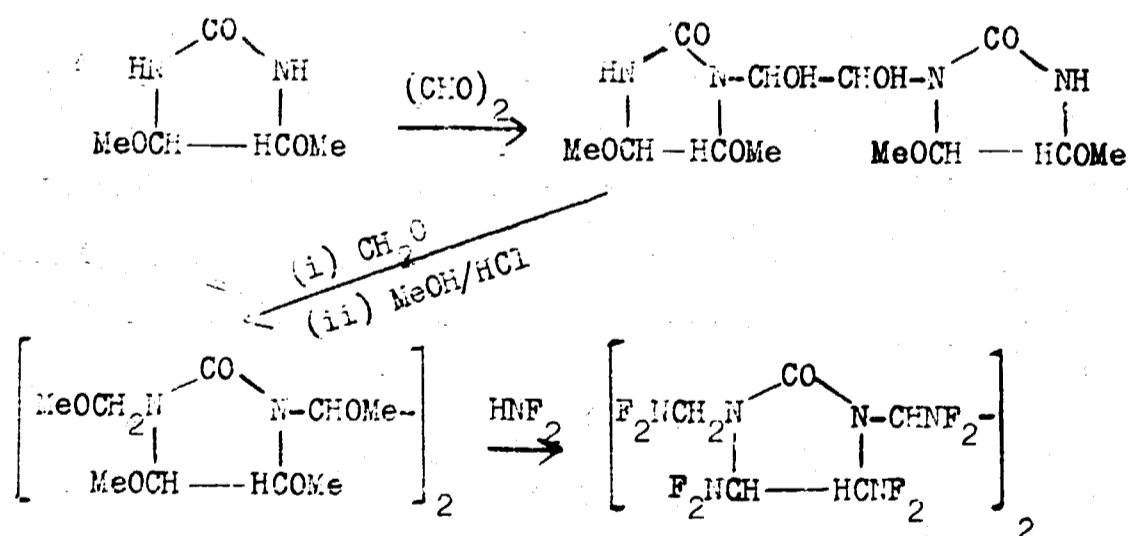
Analysis: Found: C, 22.6; H, 5.2; F, 45.0; N, 23.7%

$\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_{16}\text{N}_{12}\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 18.9; H, 1.6; F, 47.9; N, 26.5%

Infra-red absorptions at: Not obtained

Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -311.2 kcal/mole. Monopropellant  
S.I. 234 calc.

Preparation: Treatment with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  of the methylated, formylated, 2:1 adduct of 4,5-dimethoxyimidazolidin-2-one with glyoxal:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 - December 31, 1965.

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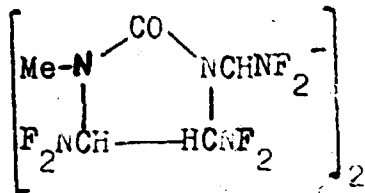
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69. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-3-methyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl]ethane

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 208°

Analysis: Found: C, 22.6; H, 2.3; F, 41.7; N, 20.0%

$C_{10}H_{12}F_{12}N_4O_2$  requires: C, 22.6; H, 2.3; F, 42.9; N, 26.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.3(s), 7.15(s), 7.65(s), 8.1(s),  
8.5(m), 8.7(m), 9.15(m), 9.55(m),  
9.8(m), 10.1(m), 10.6(s), 10.75(s),  
10.95(s), 11.35(s), 11.65(s), 12.15(s),  
13.15(s)  $\mu$ .

$^1H$ NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at 4.02  $\tau$ ,

J=18 c/sec.

(Doublet centred at 5.50  $\tau$ ,

J=12 c/sec.

$^{19}F$ NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Peaks at -26.7, -30.2, -32.5,  
-33.7, -34.2, -37.3  $\delta$

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Torpedo Friction (1 Kg): 5-10 cm

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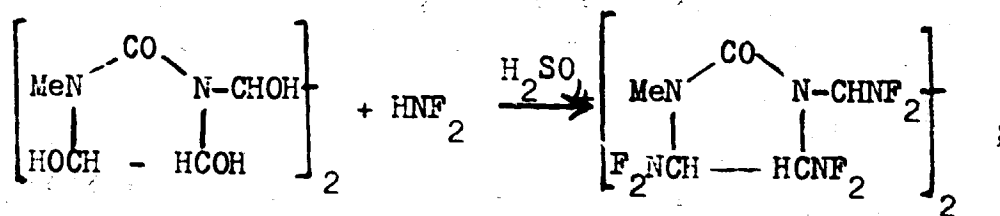
Other Properties:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  calc. -298.2 kcal/mole. Monopropellant

S.I. 233 calc. DTA exotherm at 220°. Vacuum

Thermal Stability test at 60°C, 0.2 ml/g/100 hr.

Preparation: Action of  $\text{HN}\text{F}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  on the 3:2 glyoxal:

methylurea condensate:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965;

No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965; No. 23,

January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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70. 1,2-bis(difluoroamino)-1,2-di(ethylamido)ethane

Structure:  $(F_2NCH_2NHCOCOOEt)_2$

Physical State: White solid, m.p. 200-250 (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: F, 21.0; H, 15.5%

$C_{10}H_{18}F_4N_4O_6$  requires: C, 21.0; H, 15.5%

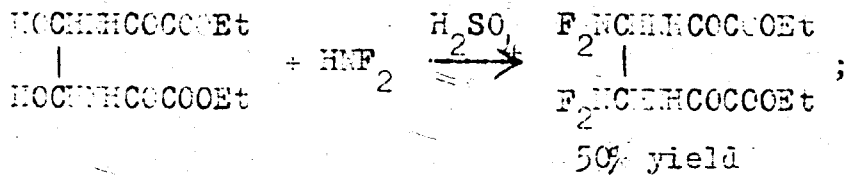
Infra-red absorptions at: 5.0(s), 5.7(s), 5.9(s), 6.5(s), 7.7(s),

8.0(s), 10.8(m), 11.3(m), 11.6(m),

13.3(s)

Preparation: Reaction of 1,2-di(ethylamino)ethane-1,2-diol

with  $HNH_2$  and 90%  $H_2SO_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 19, January 1 -

March 31, 1965.

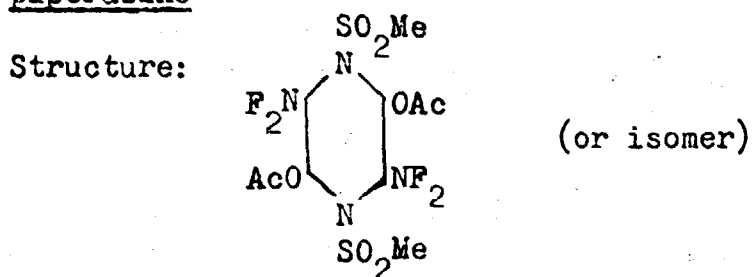
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71. 2,5-Diacetoxy-3,6-bis(difluoramino)-1,4-di(methanesulphonyl)-  
piperazine



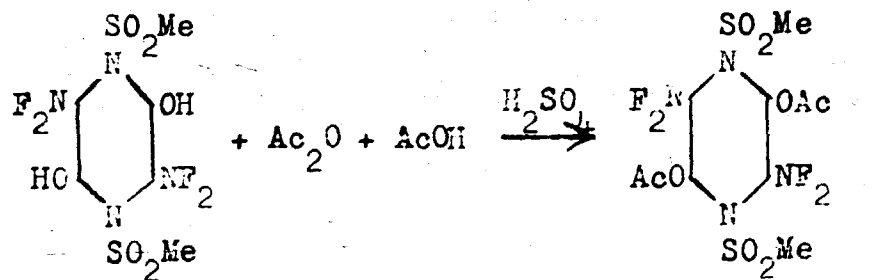
Physical State: Solid, m.p. 210-220° (decomp.) (recrystallised  
from MeCN)

Analysis: Found: C, 26.8; H, 3.8; F, 19.2; N, 12.5; S, 13.8%

$C_{10}H_{16}F_4N_4O_8S_2$  requires: C, 26.1; H, 3.5; F, 16.5; N, 12.2; S, 13.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.7(s), 7.4(s), 7.6(m), 8.4(s), 8.6(s),  
9.0(m), 9.8(s), 10.0(m), 10.2(s), 10.5(s),  
10.7(s), 11.3(s), 11.5(m), 12.9(s) $\mu$ .

Preparation: Acetylation of 2,5-bis(difluoramino)-3,6-dihydroxy-  
1,4-di(methanesulphonyl)piperazine (or isomer)



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 21, July 1 - September  
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72. 1,1,2-Tri(carbethoxyamino)-2-difluoraminoethane

Structure:  $(\text{EtOOCNH})_2\text{CHCH}(\text{NF}_2)\text{NHCOOEt}$

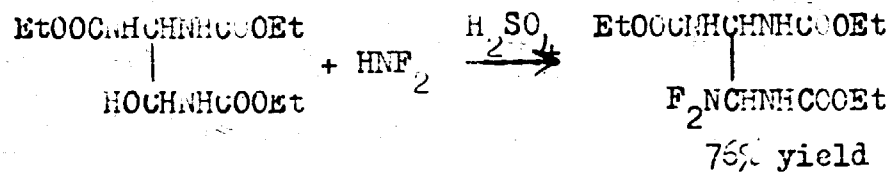
Physical State: White solid, m.p. 194-195°C

Analysis: Found: F, 9.9; N, 16.5; OEt, 39.7%

$\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{20}\text{F}_2\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$  requires: F, 11.1; N, 16.4; OEt, 39.5%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.9(s), 3.4(s), 5.8(s), 6.5(s), 6.8(s),  
7.3(s), 7.4(s), 7.5(s), 7.7(s), 7.9(s),  
8.6(m), 9.1(m), 9.6(s), 11.1(m), 11.3(s),  
12.1(m), 12.7(s)μ.

Preparation: Reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with 1,1,2-tri(carbethoxyamino)ethan-  
2-ol in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ .



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 15, January 1 -  
March 31, 1964.

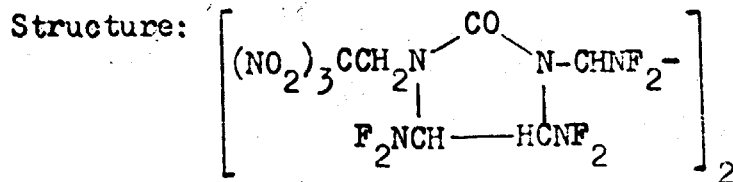
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73. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-1-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)-2-oxoimidazolidin-3-yl]ethane



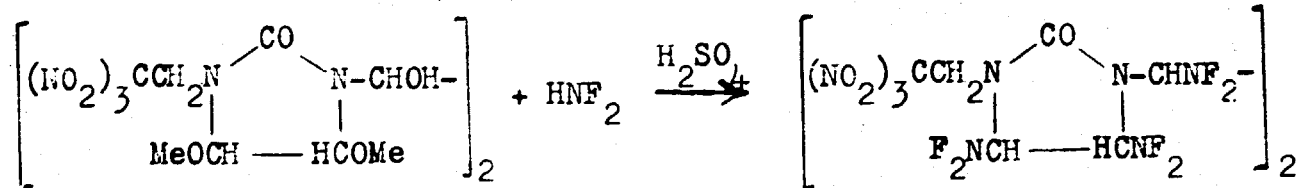
Physical State: Straw coloured viscous liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 22.6; H, 2.6; F, 19.7; N, 23.7; OMe, 2.3%

$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{10}\text{F}_{12}\text{N}_{16}\text{O}_{14}$  requires: C, 17.3; H, 1.2; F, 27.5; N, 27.0%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(m), 3.4(w), 5.7(s), 6.25(s), 7.0(s),  
7.7(s), 8.05(s), 8.55(w), 9.1(m), 9.3(m),  
9.7-10.0(m), 10.8(s), 11.3-11.5(s),  
12.2(s), 12.4(s), 12.8(s)†.

Preparation: Treatment with  $\text{HNF}_2$  and 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  of 1,2-bis-  
[4,5-dimethoxy-1-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)-2-oxo-  
imidazolidin-3-yl]ethane-1,2-diol:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March  
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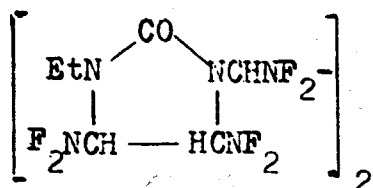
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74. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-3-ethyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl]ethane

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 178° (dec.)

Analysis: Found: C, 25.8; H, 3.1; F, 40.8; N, 24.8%;

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 600

$\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_{12}\text{N}_{10}\text{O}_2$  requires: C, 25.7; H, 2.9; F, 40.7; N, 25.0%;

M, 560.

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.8(s), 7.1(s), 8.05(s), 8.3(s), 8.65(m),  
9.05(m), 9.8(m), 10.65(m), 10.9(s),  
11.5(s), 11.9(m), 12.1(m), 12.3(m),  
12.55(m), 12.9(s)μ.

<sup>1</sup>HNMR (Spectrum (Acetone solution): Triplet centred at 3.95 τ,  
J=19 c/sec. (CH). Quintuplet  
centred at 6.4 τ, J=6 c/sec. (CH<sub>2</sub>)

<sup>19</sup>FNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Indistinct spectrum due to  
solubility difficulties. Peak  
at -29.9δ

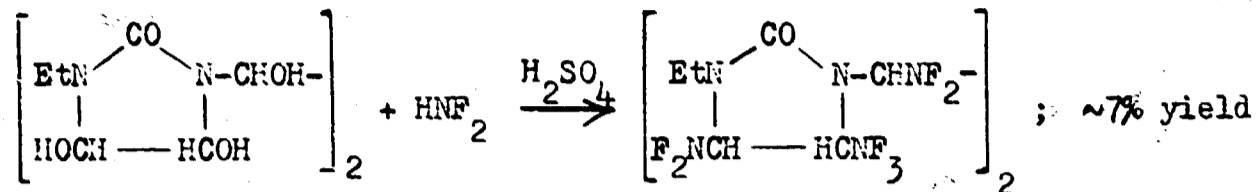
Preparation: Action of HNF<sub>2</sub> and 96% H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> on the 3:2 glyoxal:  
ethylurea adduct:

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Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965; No. 21, July 1 - September 30, 1965.

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75. Tri [carbethoxy(difluoraminomethyl)amino] methane

Structure:  $\text{HC}[\text{N}(\text{CH}_2\text{NF}_2)\text{COOEt}]_3$

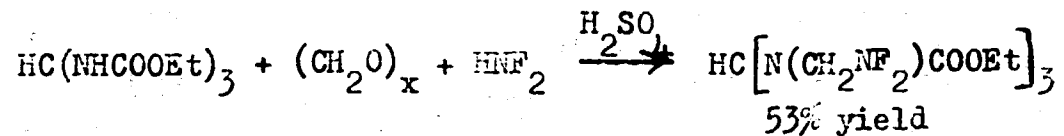
Physical State: Yellow liquid

Analysis: Found: C, 29.8; H, 5.1; F, 25.6; N, 14.9%

$\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{22}\text{F}_6\text{N}_3\text{O}_6$  requires: C, 33.1; H, 4.7; F, 24.2; N, 17.8%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(m), 3.5(m), 5.9(s), 6.6(m), 7.35(m),  
8.1(s), 9.2(m), 9.5(m), 9.8(m), 11.1(m),  
12.3(m), 12.9(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: The reaction of  $\text{HNF}_2$  with tri(carbethoxyamino)methane  
and paraformaldehyde in the presence of 96%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -  
December 31, 1963.

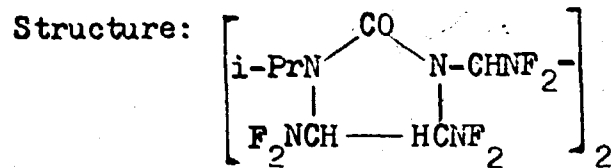
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76. 1,2-Bis(difluoramino)-1,2-bis[4,5-bis(difluoramino)-3-isopropyl-2-oxoimidazolidin-1-yl]ethane



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 170°

Analysis: Found: C, 28.2; H, 3.4; F, 36.8; N, 23.6%;

M(ebullioscopic in acetone), 610.

$C_{14}H_{20}F_{12}N_{10}O_2$  requires: C, 28.4; H, 3.4; F, 39.2; N, 23.6%;

M, 588.

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.8(s), 7.3(s), 7.7(w), 7.9(s), 8.25(s),  
8.7(m), 9.15(w), 9.8(w), 10.9(s),  
11.5(s), 12.3(s), 12.7(m), 13.4(w),  
14.0(w)  $\mu$ .

$^1H$ NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Indistinct spectrum, multiplet  
bands centred at 3.7 and 5.8  $\tau$

$^{19}F$ NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Indistinct spectrum

Preparation: Reaction of 3:2 glyoxal:isopropylurea adduct with  
 $HNF_2$  and 96%  $H_2SO_4$ :

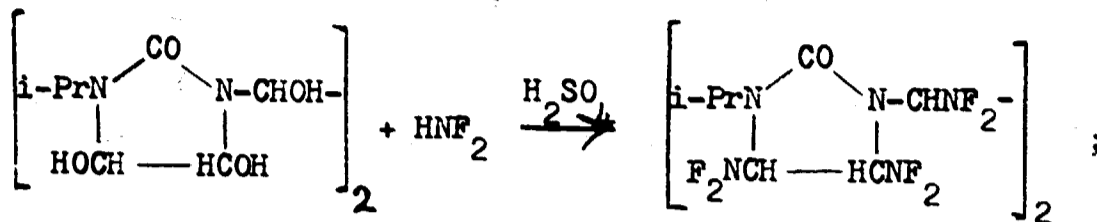
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77. Difluoramino Cellulose Derivatives

Bis(difluoramino)periodate-oxycellulose, DPOC

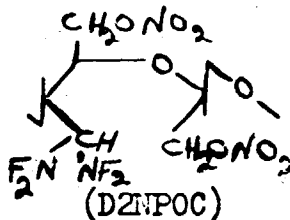
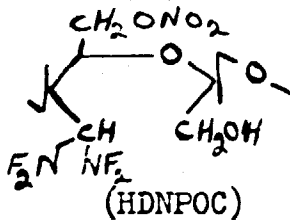
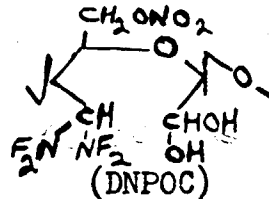
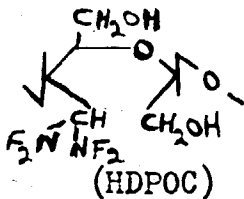
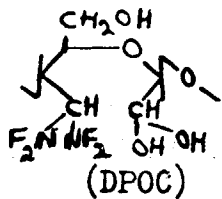
Reduced bis(difluoramino)periodate-oxycellulose, HDPOC

Bis(difluoramino)nitratoperiodate-oxycellulose, DNPOC

Reduced bis(difluoramino)nitratoperiodate-oxycellulose, HDNPOC

Bis(difluoramino)dinitratoperiodate-oxycellulose, D2NPOC

Structures:



Physical State: White polymeric solids

Analyses:

Compound	N, %	F, %	Degree of Substitution	
			NF <sub>2</sub>	ONO <sub>2</sub>
DPOC	10.2	25.6	1.7	-
HDPOC	9.2	24.8	1.5	-
DNPOC	9.0	16.0	1.1	0.5
HDNPOC	8.2	13.9	0.7	0.2
D2NPOC	8.8	16.5	1.0	0.4

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Impact Sensitivity: DPOC 40-60 cm

HDPOC 10-20 cm

D2NPOC 40-60 cm

Explosion Point: DPOC 146°C

HDPOC 116°C

D2NPOC 112°C

Other Properties: DPOC was plasticised by nitroglycerine and by 2,3,5,6-tetrakis(difluoramino)dioxan, (TDD).

HDPOC was stable on storage at room temperature for 4 months, whereas DPOC decomposed to a significant extent in 2 months. HDPOC was shown to be compatible with, and was recovered unchanged from:

(i) aluminium and ammonium perchlorate at 100°C for 1 hour

(ii) nitrocellulose (12.6% N) maintained at 70°C for 1 hour

(iii) aluminium and ammonium perchlorate in the presence of water or of alcohol/acetone (2:1) at room temperature for 1 hour

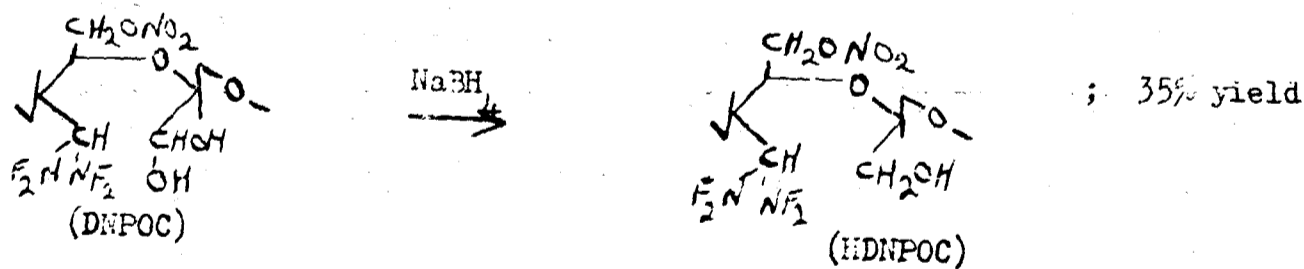
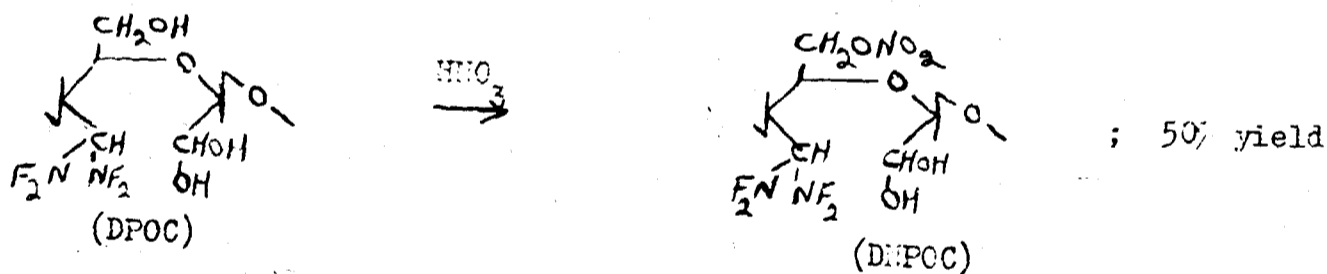
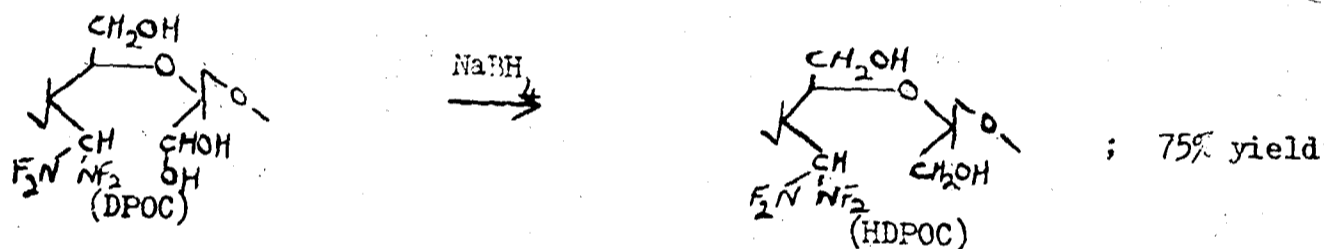
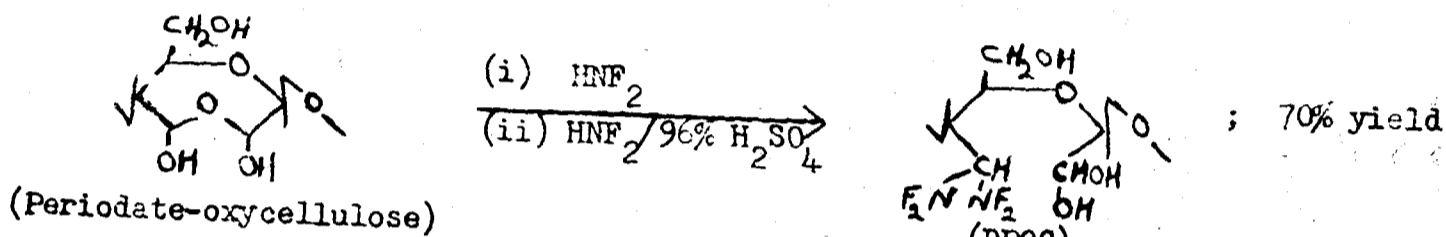
(iv) aluminium, ammonium perchlorate, nitrocellulose (12.6% N) and casting liquid

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(nitroglycerine/triacetin/2-nitrodiphenylamine  
 = 80/19/1) stored at 70°C for 2 weeks.

Preparation: Periodate oxidation of cellulose followed by  
 difluoramination, reduction and nitration.

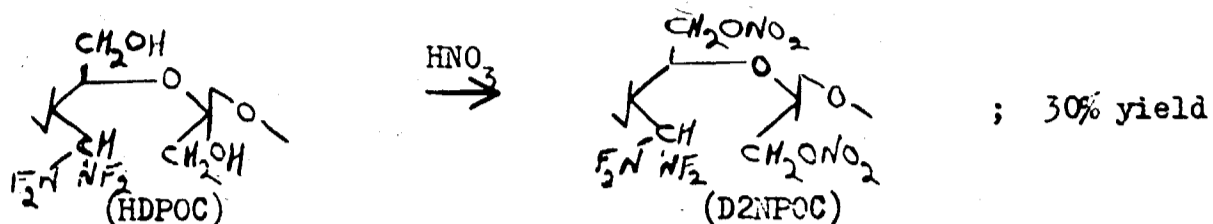




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Theoretical performances:  $\Delta H_{f298}$  DNPOC -229 kcal/gm mole

$\Delta H_{f298}$  D2NPOC -207 kcal/gm mole

Replacement of NC by DNPOC, D2NPOC in NC/TMETN/AP/Be system results in an S.I. increase of 1.2 and 1.3 lb.sec/lb.

Reference: I.C.I. Progress Reports Nos. 8, July 1, 1961 -

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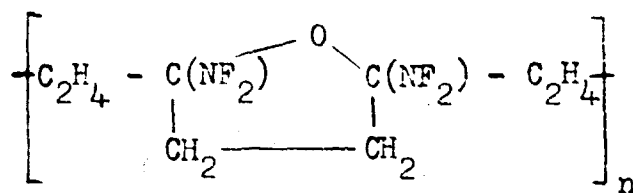
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78. Poly-ethylene-2,5-bis(difluoramino)-3,4-dihydrofuran

Structure:

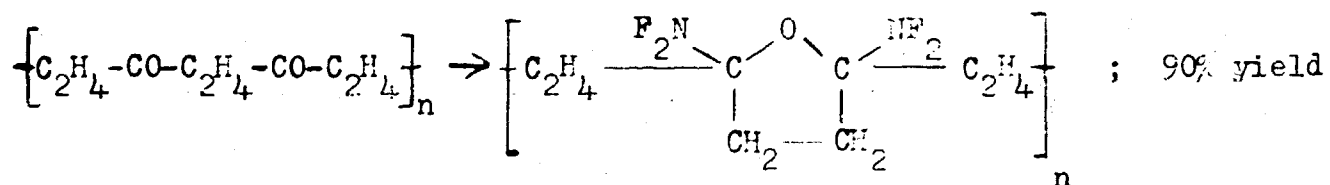


Physical State: Pale brown rubbery solid

Analysis:

Sample	C, %		H, %		N, %		F, %	
	Found	Reqd.	Found	Reqd.	Found	Reqd.	Found	Reqd.
Sample 1	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
:27% CO content:	43.6	55.1	7.2	7.7	7.7	10.0	18.1	27.2
Sample 2	:	:	:	:	:	:	:	:
:41% CO content:	43.2	42.1	5.5	5.3	15.3	12.3	27.3	33.4

Preparation: Reaction of ethylene/carbon monoxide co-polymers with  
HNF<sub>2</sub> alone and in the presence of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, e.g.:



References: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 14, July 1, 1962 -

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NC<sub>2</sub> Containing Products

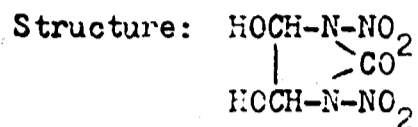
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1. 4,5-Dihydroxy-1,3-dinitroimidazolidin-2-one



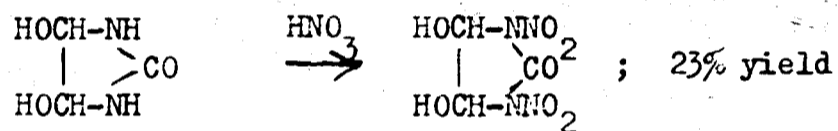
Physical State: Solid m.p. 158° (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 17.3; H, 1.8; N, 26.3%

$\text{C}_3\text{H}_4\text{N}_2\text{O}_7$  requires: C, 17.3; H, 1.9; N, 26.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.95(s), 5.6(s), 6.3(s), 7.6(m), 7.8(m),  
8.0(m), 8.6(s), 9.1(s), 10.6(w), 12.4(w)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Action of 100%  $\text{HNO}_3$  at 0°C, on 4,5-dihydroxy-  
imidazolidin-2-one



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March  
31, 1966.

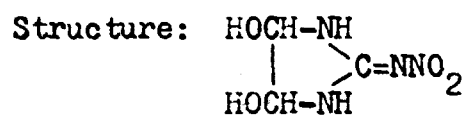
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2. 4,5-Dihydroxy-2-nitriminoimidazolidine



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 169° (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 21.8; H, 4.5; N, 36.2%; M.W., 140

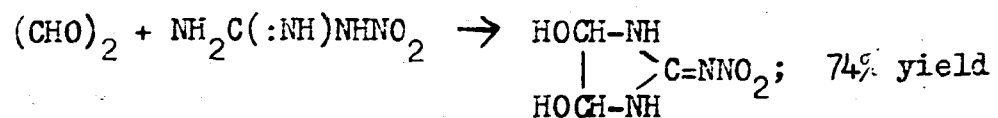
$\text{C}_3\text{H}_6\text{N}_4\text{O}_4$  requires: C, 22.2; H, 3.7; N, 34.6%; M.W., 162

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.0(s), 3.2(m), 6.3(s), 6.5(s), 7.8-8.0(s),  
8.9(m), 9.2(s), 9.65(s), 11.85(m), 12.3(m),  
13.3(m), 13.9-14.0(m)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: 120-160 cm

Explosion Point: 164.5°

Preparation: Addition of nitroguanidine to basic aqueous glyoxal:



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 20, April 1 - June 30, 1965.

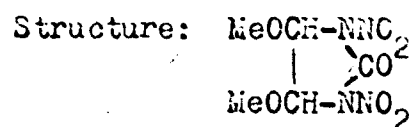
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3. 4,5-Dimethoxy-1,5-dinitroimidazolidin-2-one



Physical State: Needles, m.p. 120-1°

Analysis: Found: C, 25.4; H, 3.35; N, 25.2%

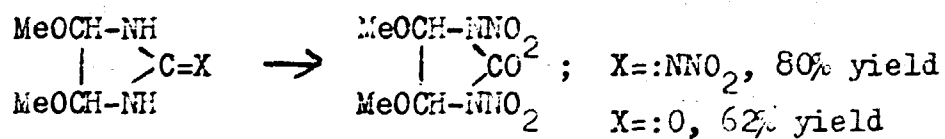
$\text{C}_5\text{H}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}_7$  requires: C, 25.4; H, 3.4; N, 23.7%

Infra-red absorptions at 5.56(s), 6.33(s), 7.54(s), 7.91(s), 8.33(s),  
8.55(s), 8.85(s), 9.13(s), 9.26(s), 10.03(m),  
10.75(s), 11.90(m), 12.25(s), 13.30(s),  
13.51(s), 14.0(m), 14.3(m)  $\mu$ .

Impact Sensitivity: >200 cm

Explosion Point: >240°

Preparation: (i) The reaction of xs  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$  on 4,5-dimethoxy-  
2-nitriminoimidazolidine, or on 4,5-dimethoxy-  
imidazolidin-2-one



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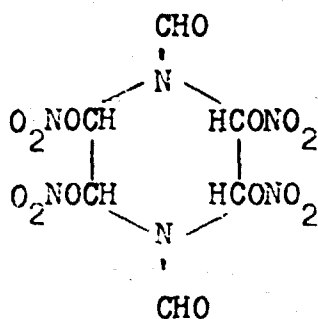
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4. 1,4-Diformyl-2,3,5,6-tetranitratopiperazine

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 152-3° C (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 19.3; H, 2.7; N, 21.6%; M.W. 415

$C_6H_6N_6O_{14}$  requires: C, 18.7; H, 1.6; N, 21.8%; M.W. 386

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.4(s), 5.8(s), 6.0(s), 6.1(s), 6.9(m),  
7.1(m), 7.2(s), 7.4(m), 7.7(s), 7.8(s),  
7.9(s), 8.0(s), 8.2(s), 9.9(s), 10.3(m),  
10.3(s), 12.2(s), 13.5(m), 14.0(m), 14.5(m)  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Single peak at 1.24  $\tau$  in the ratio  
of 2:4 to twin peaks at 2.65, 2.80  $\tau$ , assigned to the  
protons of the CHO and piperazine ring respectively.

Impact Sensitivity: 20-30 cr; 10-20 cm after recrystallisation

Explosion Point: 143° (decomp.)

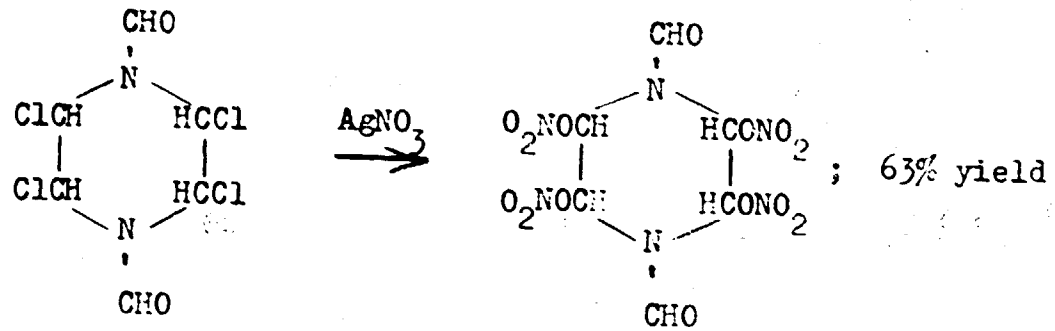
Preparation: The reaction of  $AgNO_3$  with 1,4-diformyl-2,3,5,6-  
tetrachloropiperazine

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Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 17, July 1 - September 30, 1964.

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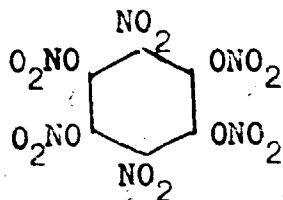
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5. 1,2,4,5-Tetranitro-3,6-dinitrocyclohexane

Structure:



Physical State: Yellow crystalline solid, m.p. 171-2° (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 18.9; H, 1.6; N, 19.9%

C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>N<sub>6</sub>O<sub>16</sub> requires: C, 17.2; H, 1.4; N, 20.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.9(s), 6.0(s), 6.1(s), 7.6(m), 7.8(s),  
7.9(s), 9.2(m), 9.5(m), 10.3(m), 10.5(m),  
10.8(m), 11.9-12.6(s), 13.6(m), 13.7(m),  
14.1(m) μ.

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point: 173°

Other Properties: ΔH<sub>f</sub> est., 120.2 kcal/mole. Estimated heat of  
combustion 1708 cal/g. Monopropellant S.I., est.,  
261. Decomposed in acetone solution, no other  
solvent found for NMR study.

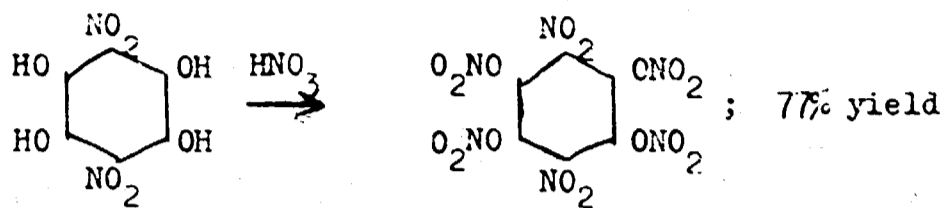
Preparation: Nitration of 1,2,4,5-tetrahydroxy-3,6-dinitrocyclo-  
hexane with HNO<sub>3</sub>/Ac<sub>2</sub>O at 0°; or with HNO<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>  
for 4 hours

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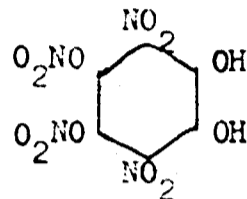
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6. 1,2-Dihydroxy-4,5-dinitrato-3, -dinitrocyclohexane

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, decomp. 215°

Analysis: Found: C, 22.2; H, 2.6; N, 16.9%

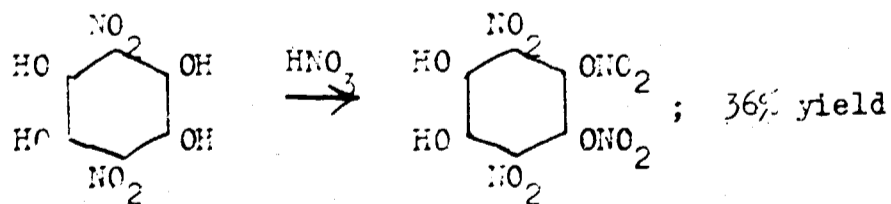
$C_6H_8N_4O_{12}$  requires: C, 22.0; H, 2.4; N, 17.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.8(s), 6.0(s), 6.4(s), 7.6(s), 7.75(s),  
7.85(s), 8.9(m), 9.05(m), 9.7(m), 10.3(m),  
10.9(m), 11.6(s), 12.3(m), 12.7(m), 13.5(m),  
14.0(s)  $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): 5 pairs of doublets in the region  
3.7-4.8 $\tau$ , indicates the structure shown is most  
probable one.

Impact Sensitivity: 20-30 cm

Preparation: Nitration of 1,2,4,5-tetrahydroxy-3,6-dinitrocyclo-  
hexane with HNO<sub>3</sub> in CHCl<sub>3</sub> at 0° for 1 hr.



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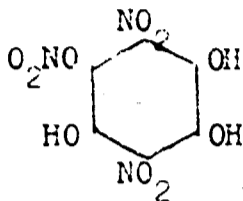
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7. 1,2,4-Trihydroxy-5-nitro-3,6-dinitrocyclohexane

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, m.p. 195-200° (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 25.0; H, 3.3; N, 15.9%

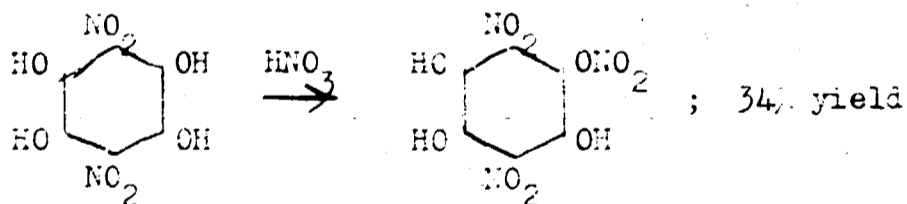
C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>9</sub>N<sub>3</sub>O<sub>10</sub> requires: C, 25.4; H, 3.2; N, 14.9%

Infra-red absorptions at: 2.85(s), 3.1(s), 6.05(s), 6.55(s), 7.5(s),  
7.65(s), 7.8(s), 7.9(s), 8.9(s), 9.1(m),  
9.25(m), 9.7(m), 10.35(m), 10.8(m),  
11.5-11.9(m), 12.85(m), 14.0(s)μ.

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): OH peaks at 5.2, 5.4 τ, ring peaks  
at 5.7τ, indistinct due to low solubility

Impact Sensitivity: >200 cm

Preparation: Nitration of 1,2,4,5-tetrahydroxy-3,6-dinitrocyclohexane with HNO<sub>3</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> at 0° for 1 hr



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 25, January 1 - March 31, 19 .

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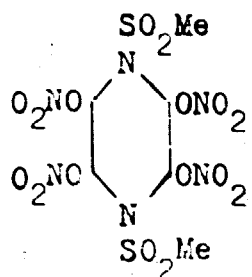
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3. 1,4-Dimethanesulphonyl-2,3,5,6-tetranitratopiperazine

Structure:



Physical State: white solid, m.p. 148° (decomp.)

Analysis: Found: C, 15.0; H, 2.4; N, 17.9; S, 12.9.

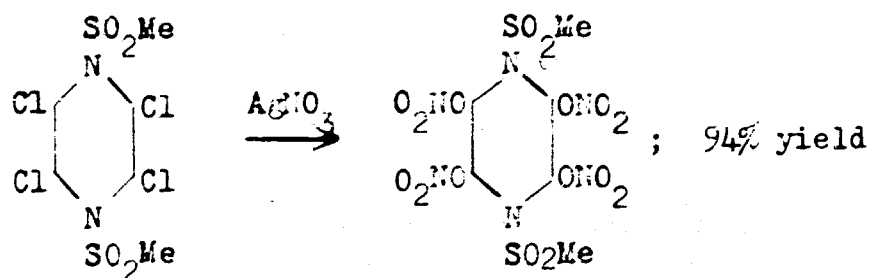
C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>10</sub>N<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>S<sub>2</sub> requires: C, 14.8; H, 2.1; N, 17.3; S, 13.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 6.0(s), 6.1(s), 7.15(m), 7.4(s), 7.55(s),  
7.8(s), 7.9(m), 8.0(s), 8.35(m), 8.6(s),  
9.1(s), 9.7(w), 9.9(w), 10.3(s), 10.8(s),  
12.1-12.5(s), 13.0(s), 13.5(m), 14.0(m), 14.2(m)μ.

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Single peaks at 2.73, 6.46τ  
assigned to ring and SO<sub>2</sub>Me protons respectively

Impact Sensitivity: 5-10 cm

Preparation: (i) Action of AgNO<sub>3</sub> on 2,3,5,6-tetrachloro-1,4-dimethanesulphonylpiperazine:



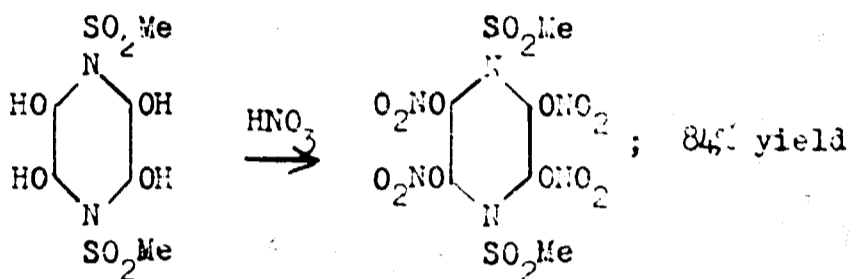
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(ii) Action of  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$  on 2,3,5,6-tetrahydroxy-1,4-dimethanesulphonylpiperazine:



Reference: I.C.I. Annual Report, Progress Report No. 18,  
January 1 - December 31, 1964.

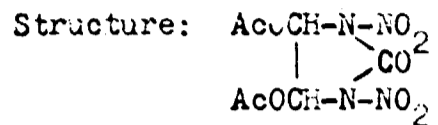
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9. 4,5-Diacetoxy-1,3-dinitroimidazolidin-2-one



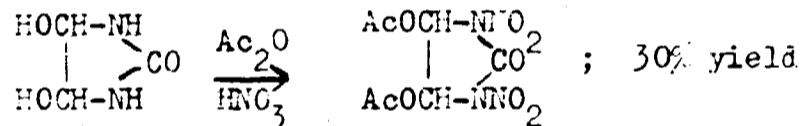
Physical State: Solid, m.p. 125-128° (recrystallised from ether)

Analysis: Found: C, 28.7; H, 2.2; N, 19.2%

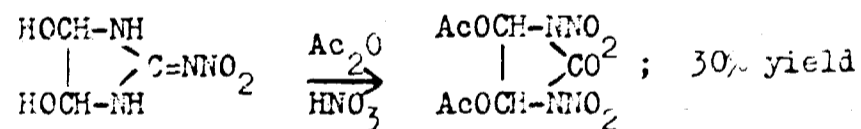
$\text{C}_7\text{H}_8\text{N}_4\text{O}_9$  requires: C, 28.8; H, 2.7; N, 19.2%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.5(s), 5.7(s), 6.25(s), 8.0(s), 8.35(s),  
8.8-9.0(s), 9.6(s), 10.5(m), 10.85(m),  
12.5(m), 13.35(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: (i) The nitration of 4,5-dihydroxyimidazolidin-2-one  
with  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$



(ii) The nitration of 4,5-dihydroxy-2-nitrimino-  
imidazolidine with  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$



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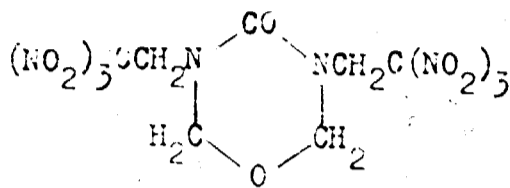
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10. N,N'-Bis(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)uron

Structure:



Physical State: White solid, recrystallised from EtOH, m.p. 174-5°

Analysis: Found: C, 19.9; H, 2.5; N, 26.1%; M.W. (ebullioscopic in acetone), 343.

$C_{14}H_{18}N_8O_{14}$  requires: C, 19.6; H, 1.9; N, 26.2%; M.W., 428

Infra-red absorptions at: 6.0(s), 6.3(s), 6.75(s), 7.2(s), 7.5-7.8(s),  
8.35(m), 8.55(m), 9.1(m), 9.2(m), 9.8(m),  
10.15(m), 11.55(s), 11.7(s), 12.4(s),  
12.6(m), 12.8(m), 13.0(s), 13.4(s), 14.0(m) $\mu$ .

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (Acetone solution): Two single peaks at 4.31 and  
4.58 $\tau$  in the ratio 1:1 due to hydrogen nuclei of  
trinitroethyl groups and uron ring, respectively.

Impact Sensitivity: 10-20 cm

Explosion Point: 169°C

Other Properties: Vacuum thermal stability test, 1.1 ml/g/100 hr at 60°

Preparation: Reaction of N,N'-bis(methoxymethyl)uron with HC(NO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>  
in MeOH at 100° for 3 hrs:

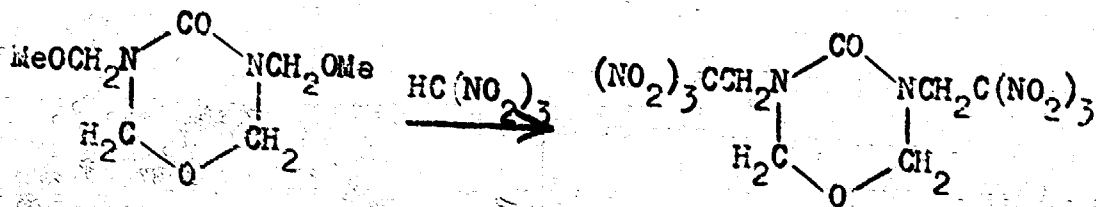
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78% yield

Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 - December 31, 1965; No. 23, January 1 - March 31, 1966.

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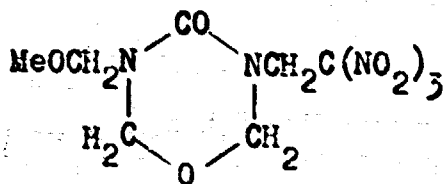
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Data Sheet

11. N-Methoxymethyl-N'-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)uron

Structure:



Physical State: Solid, m.p. 63-65° (recrystallised from  
i-PrOH/hexane)

Analysis: Found: C, 27.4; H, 3.7; N, 22.7%

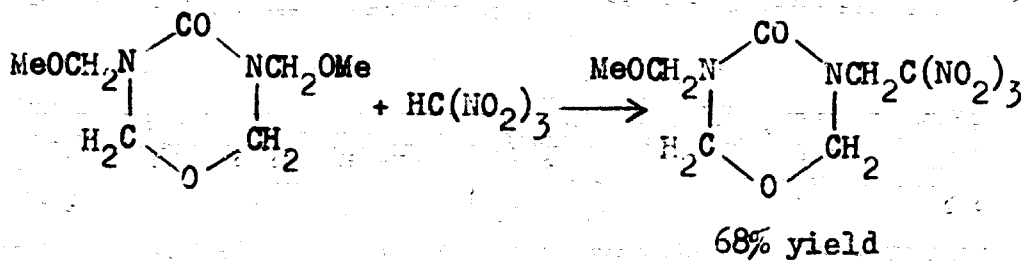
C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub>N<sub>5</sub>O<sub>9</sub> requires: C, 27.2; H, 3.6; N, 22.7%

Infra-red absorptions at: 6.0(s), 6.25(s), 6.4(s), 6.7(m), 7.75(s),  
8.1(w), 8.5(w), 9.15(m), 9.4(m), 9.9(m),  
10.3(w), 11.0(w), 11.6(m), 11.75(m),  
12.4(m), 12.8(m), 13.4(m)/μ

Impact Sensitivity: 60-80 cm

Explosion Point: 152-5°C

Preparation: The reaction between N,N'-bis(methoxymethyl)uron  
and nitroform in the molar ratio 1:0.8.



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 23, January 1 - March  
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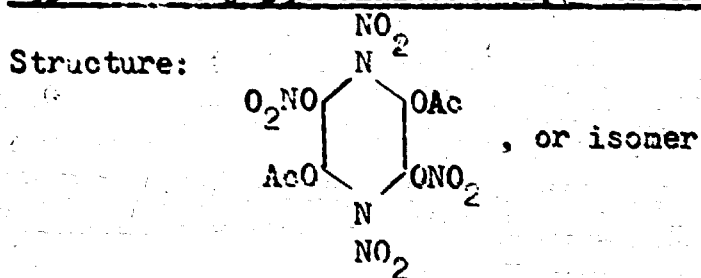
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12. 2,5-Diacetoxy-3,6-dinitrato-1,4-dinitropiperazine



Physical State: White solid, recrystallised from MeCn, m.p. 170°

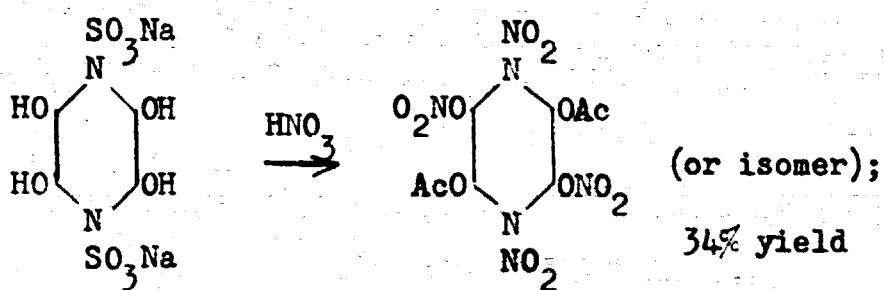
Analysis: Found: C, 23.4; H, 2.6; N, 19.4; S, nil %

$C_8H_{10}N_6O_{14}$  requires: C, 23.2; H, 2.4; N, 20.3%

Infra-red absorptions at: 3.3(m), 5.6(s), 5.9(s), 6.2(s), 7.5(m),  
7.7(s), 8.4(s), 9.1(m), 9.8(s), 10.1(s),  
10.6(s), 11.3(m), 11.9(m), 12.2(s),  
13.0(m), 15.5(m)<sup>μ</sup>

<sup>1</sup>HNMR Spectrum (MeCN solution): Single peaks at 7.70τ (Ac-group protons) and at 2.50τ (piperazine ring protons).

Preparation: Nitration of salts of 2,3,5,6-tetrahydropiperazine-1,4-disulphonic acid, using 8:3 v/v HNO<sub>3</sub>/Ac<sub>2</sub>O at 0°



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 19, January 1 - March  
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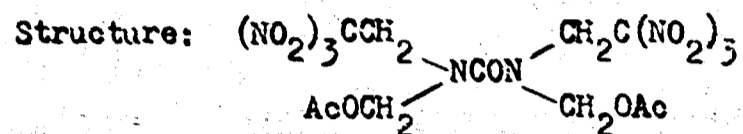
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13. N,N'-Di(acetoxymethyl)-N,N'-bis(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)urea



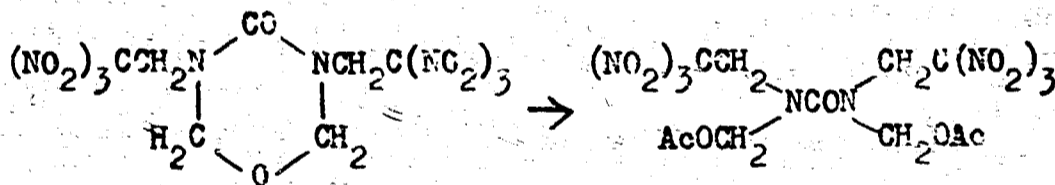
Physical State: White solid m.p. 98-100°

Analysis: Found: C, 24.5; H, 1.7; N, 21.7%

$\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}_8\text{O}_{17}$  requires: C, 24.9; H, 2.7; N, 21.1%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.8(s), 6.0(s), 6.15(s), 6.3(s), 6.7(m),  
6.95(m), 7.4(w), 7.65(s), 7.95(s), 8.1(s),  
8.2(m), 8.4(m), 9.0(w), 9.5(w), 9.7(s),  
10.3(w), 10.8(w), 11.5(m), 11.8(w),  
12.4(m)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: The action of  $\text{Ac}_2\text{O}/\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  (20: 1 v/v) on N,N'-bis-(2,2,2-trinitroethyl)uron.



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 22, October 1 - December 31, 1965.

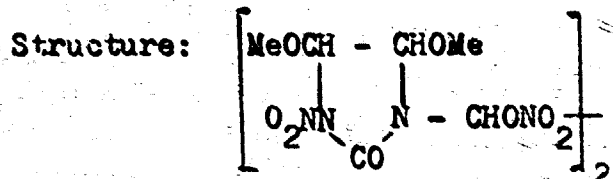
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14. 1,2-Bis(4,5-dimethoxy-1-nitro-2-oximidazolidin-3-yl)-1,2-dinitratoethane



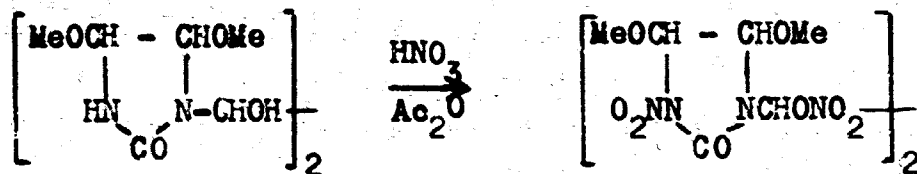
Physical State: White solid m.p. 196-7° (decomp.).

Analysis: Found: C, 27.8; H, 3.6; N, 20.5; MeO, 26.3%

$\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_8\text{O}_{16}$  requires: C, 27.2; H, 3.4; N, 21.1; MeO, 23.4%

Infra-red absorptions at: 5.7(s), 6.05(s), 6.4(s), 7.3(m), 7.9(s),  
8.2(s), 8.45(s), 9.1-9.4(s), 10.1(s),  
10.35(w), 10.55(w), 12.3(s), 12.7(s),  
13.3(s), 13.5(w), 14.2(w)  $\mu$ .

Preparation: Nitration of 1,2-bis(4,5-dimethoxy-2-oximidazolidin-3-yl)ethane-1,2-diol with  $\text{HNO}_3/\text{Ac}_2\text{O}$ .



Reference: I.C.I. Progress Report No. 24, January 1 1965 -  
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SECTION 3

Instruments and Methods

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3.1 Infra-red Spectra

Spectra of all compounds were determined on a Perkin-Elmer Infracord Model 137 spectrometer. Spectra of many compounds were also determined on a Perkin-Elmer Infracord Model 337 spectrometer. Liquids were run as thin films between rock salt plates and solids as mulls in Nujol or 'Florube' oil on rock salt plates. Gases were determined in 10 cm path-length cells with rock salt windows. In a very few cases solid were prepared in KBr discs.

3.2 NMR Spectra

<sup>1</sup>H NMR and <sup>19</sup>F NMR spectra were obtained on a Perkin-Elmer Model R10 60 mc/sec instrument. <sup>1</sup>H spectra were obtained against tetramethylsilane as internal standard and <sup>19</sup>F spectra against CFCl<sub>3</sub> as internal standard.

3.3 Impact Sensitivity

The fall hammer test apparatus consists of a  $\frac{1}{2}$  Kg mild steel hammer which is allowed to fall from a measured height onto a fixed volume of sample placed between the faces of two vertical Hoffmann steel roller bearings each  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. diameter and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. long. The bearings are kept in place by a collar of annealed Vibrac V.45 steel  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. external diameter and  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. + 1/1000 in. bore, the whole assembly resting on a steel plate of the same material  $\frac{1}{2}$  in. in diameter and 7/16 in. thick.

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The maximum height at which no detonations occur out of ten attempts is recorded and also the height at which at least one detonation occurs.

#### 3.4 Explosion Point

The explosion point was determined on a 0.1 g sample in an open round bottom Pyrex glass test tube heated in a metal block at a rate of  $5^{\circ}/\text{min}$ . The explosion point is taken as the temperature at which explosion or ignition occurs.

#### 3.5 Vacuum Thermal Stability

Vacuum thermal stabilities were determined in an apparatus of the type described by Esso Research & Engineering (Report No. 62-3, June 11 - September 30, 1962). Approximately 0.1 g of the sample was confined under vacuum in a glass tube closed with a Fischer-Porter valve and carrying a mercury manometer side arm. The tube including side arm was immersed up to the valve seating in a thermostatically controlled water bath at  $60^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Pressure in the tube was read periodically with a cathetometer by removing it from the bath at  $60^{\circ}$  and placing in a small glass bath at  $20^{\circ}$ .

#### 3.6 Vapour Pressure

Vapour pressures of liquids were determined in apparatus described above after thorough degassing of the sample.

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3.7 Heats of Formation

All heats of formation quoted are calculated values. These were derived from the heat of formation of the closest published structure by use of bond energy values for simple bonds and group contributions for  $-\text{NF}_2$ ,  $-\text{NF}$ ,  $-\text{NO}_2$  and  $-\text{C}(\text{NO}_2)_3$  groups. The values taken were  $-204.5$  kcal/mole for  $-\text{NF}_2$ ,  $-157.6$  kcal/mole for  $-\text{NF}$ ,  $-24.6$  kcal/mole for  $-\text{NO}_2$  and  $+9.2$  kcal/mole for replacement of  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_3$  by  $-\text{CH}_2\text{C}(\text{NO}_2)_3$ .

3.8 Specific Impulse

The approximate method developed by M.J. Harper and J.A. Hicks (Explosives Research and Development Establishment, Waltham Abbey, Report No. 24/W/60) was employed. For aluminised propellants the equation used was:

$$\log I_m = 1.3285 + 0.3400 \log Q + 0.39305 \log \left( \frac{100 n}{C} \right)$$

For non-aluminised high energy propellants the equation used was:

$$\log I_m = 1.9355 + 0.3558 \log Q + 0.4505 \log n - 0.3336 \log C.$$

where  $Q$  is the heat of reaction in Kcal

$n$  is the number of moles of gaseous product

$C$  is the total heat capacity of products

(both solid and gaseous) in cal.deg.<sup>-1</sup>

} per 100 g of  
propellant

$Q$  is calculated at  $298^\circ\text{K}$  using the most likely set of combustion products and  $C$  is calculated assuming an exhaust temperature of  $2000^\circ\text{K}$ .

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