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DIFLUOROMETHOXY COMPOUNDS

Difluoromethoxy benzene derivatives have a plethora of different applications within the chemical industry with their functionality being investigated and utilised in medicinal, technological and agricultural fields.

In medicine, research has spanned a number of different areas. Difluoromethoxy aromatics have been subject to research into their efficacy as antibacterial products and anaesthetics.⁽¹⁾ The motif also features as part of the commercially available drug, Roflumilast (Figure 1), a selective enzyme inhibitor used as an anti-inflammatory for the treatment of chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.⁽²⁾

The technological interest in this collection of compounds lies primarily with the development of liquid crystal displays. The high polarity of the electronegative fluorine atoms, combined with the potential aromatic stacking interactions of the phenyl groups, make difluoromethoxy phenyls invaluable components for construction of nematic liquid crystals containing permanent dipoles.⁽³⁾

The Difluoromethoxy phenyl motif also features in a number of pesticides and herbicides such as Flucythrinate (Figure 2) and Pyraflufen. $^{(4)}$

We have a number of newly developed difluoromethoxy benzene derivatives available, a selection of which is presented below.

- (1) J. Heterocyclic Chem. , 47, 441-445
- (2) J. Med. Chem., 2008, 51, 7673-7688
- (3) Liquid Crystals, 2006, 33
- (4) The Pesticide Encyclopaedia, 2014, 249





PC53174 2-(Difluoromethoxy)-5-fluorobenzaldehyde 1214326-36-9



PC48609 2-(Difluoromethoxy) benzeneboronic acid, pinacol ester 960067-33-8

PC1431 4-(Difluoromethoxy) benzeneboronic acid 688810-12-0 F



PC501868 3-(Difluoromethoxy)-2fluoronitrobenzene 1214326-24-5



PC53076 4-(Difluoromethoxy)-2fluorobromobenzene 1242258-38-3



PC501851 5-(Difluoromethoxy)-2fluoroaniline 1261573-56-1



Figure1: Roflumilast



Figure 2: Flucythrinate



'PC53074 2-(Difluoromethoxy)-5-fluorobromobenzene 936249-94-4



PC500482 2-(Difluoromethoxy) phenylacetylene 1342158-87-5

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