

FOURIER TRANSFORM MICROWAVE SPECTRA OF 1-PENTANETHIOL-*d*

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We have been observing the rotational spectra of the 1-pentanethiol (1-C₅SH; C(5)H₃C(4)H₂-C(3)H₂C(2)H₂C(1)H₂SH) by Fourier transform microwave (FTMW) spectroscopy. So far, eight conformers of the normal species for 1-C₅SH have been identified by FTMW spectroscopy and the quantum chemical calculations^a. They are *TTTg*, *TTTt*, *TTGg*, *TTGg'*, *TGTg*, *TGTg'*, *GTTg*, and *GTTg'*. The nomenclature of the conformer such as *TTGg'* is based on the conformation of the molecular skeleton around the C(4)-C(3), C(3)-C(2), C(2)-C(1), and C(1)-S axis, respectively. This means that *TTGg'* represents trans (*T*), trans (*T*), clockwise gauche (*G*) and anti-clockwise gauche (*g'*) conformers.

In this work, we observed the isotopologues the 1-pentanethiol such as the deuterated species in the thiol group, 1-C₅SD. The rotational spectral lines of the seven conformers in 1-C₅SD, except for *TTTt*, were assigned as in 1-C₅SH. In the *TTTg* conformer of 1-C₅SH, characteristic splittings were observed in the rotational spectral lines of the *c*-type transitions. They are due to the tunneling splitting by the torsional motion of the SH group. Therefore, we focused on the line splittings in the *c*-type transition of the *TTTg* conformer of 1-C₅SD and compared our results with data from 1-C₅SH and related compounds, 1-butanethiol^b, 1-propanethiol and 1-ethanethiol.

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