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Electron attachment to halogenated alkenes and alkanes, 300-600 ${\bf K}^1$ THOMAS M. MILLER, JEFFREY F. FRIEDMAN, NICHOLAS S. SHUMAN, ALBERT A. VIGGIANO, Air Force Research Laboratory — Rate coefficients (${\bf k}_a$) and ion product distributions have been measured for 14 alkenes and alkanes with bromine, fluorine, and iodine substituents over the temperature range T = 300-600 K using a flowing-afterglow Langmuir-probe apparatus (FALP), most for the first time. Among these are 3 isomers of ${\bf C}_3{\bf F}_5{\bf Br}$ and 2 isomers of ${\bf C}_3{\bf F}_7{\bf I}$. Four dibromide compounds yield ${\bf Br}_2^-$ in addition to ${\bf Br}^-$. The results follow the expected trends: ${\bf k}_a$ values near the capture limit decrease slightly with T according to Vogt-Wannier theory, while ${\bf k}_a$ increase with T for molecules which have small ${\bf k}_a$ at 300 K. The results are analyzed using a statistical kinetic modeling approach, which is able to reproduce ${\bf k}_a$ values and product branching within experimental uncertainty. The modeling indicates that factor of 2 differences in ${\bf k}_a$ for the isomeric species can be explained by subtle variations in the potential surfaces.

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