

## Synthesis and Characterization of A Novel Ester Homologous Series :P(P'-N-Alkoxy Benzoyloxy) B-Phenyl – Ethyl Cinnamates

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## ABSTRACT:

A novel homologous seriesp(p'-n-Alkoxy Benzoyloxy)  $\beta$ -Phenyl Ethyl Cinnamatesis synthesized and studied with a view to understanding and establishing the effects ofmolecular structure on mesogenic behavior in a series. The mesogenic property commencesfrom third homologue to the last homologue. The transition temperatures of theseries are relatively high, ranging between 152 °C and 225°C. The mesogenic range variesbetween 8 °C (C<sub>16</sub>) and 37°C (C<sub>6</sub>). The novel ester series is nematogenic without exhibition ofany smectogenic property and an average thermal stability of 167.6 °C. The mesogenicbehavior of the novel series is compared with structurally similar isomeric/nonisomericother known series.

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