

Abbreviations

The following abbreviations have been used:

Ac	acetyl
Ad	adenin-9-yl
Bn	benzyl
Bz	benzoyl
c.d.	circular dichroism
DBU	1,5-diazobicyclo[5,4,0]undec-5-ene
DCC	dicyclohexylcarbodi-imide
DMF	<i>N,N</i> -dimethylformamide
DMSO	dimethyl sulphoxide
DNA	deoxyribonucleic acid
dpm	dipivaloylmethanato
e.s.r.	electron spin resonance
fod	2,2-dimethyl-6,6,7,7,8,8,8-heptafluoro-3,5-octanedionato
g.l.c.	gas-liquid chromatography
HMPT	hexamethylphosphotriamide
i.r.	infrared
LAH	lithium aluminium hydride
MCPBA	<i>m</i> -chloroperbenzoic acid
Ms	methanesulphonyl
NBS	<i>N</i> -bromosuccinimide
n.m.r.	nuclear magnetic resonance
o.r.d.	optical rotatory dispersion
py	pyridine
RNA	ribonucleic acid
THF	tetrahydrofuran
Thp	tetrahydropyranyl
TMS	trimethylsilyl
Ts	toluene <i>p</i> -sulphonyl
U	uracil-1-yl

