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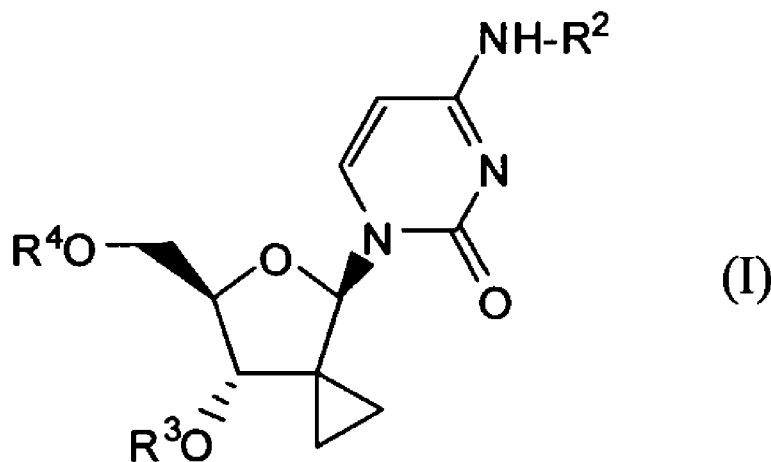
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(57) **Abstract:** Compounds of formula I: wherein: R² is hydrogen or C₁-C₄alkyl; R³ and R⁴ are hydrogen, -C(=O)R⁵, or -C(=O)CHR⁶-NH₂; or R³ is hydrogen and R⁴ is a monophosphate-, diphosphate-, or triphosphate ester; or R³ is hydrogen, -C(=O)CHR⁵, or -C(=O)CHR⁶-NH₂ and R⁴ is (formula 2) each R⁵ is hydrogen, C₁-C₆alkyl, or C₃-C₇cycloalkyl; R⁶ is hydrogen or C₁-C₆alkyl; R⁷ is optionally substituted phenyl; naphthyl; or indolyl; R⁸ and R⁸ are hydrogen, C₃-C₇alkyl, benzyl; or R⁸ and R⁸ combined form C₃-C₇cycloalkyl; R⁹ is C₁-C₆alkyl, benzyl, or optionally substituted phenyl; provided that R², R³ and R⁴ are not all hydrogen; or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or solvate thereof; pharmaceutical formulations with the compounds I; the use of compounds I, including the compounds of formula I wherein R², R³ and R⁴ are all hydrogen, as HCV inhibitors.