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(57) **Abstract:** The present invention relates to compounds useful as pharmaceutical intermediates, to processes for preparing the in-
termediates, to intermediates used in the processes, and to the use of the intermediates in the preparation of pharmaceuticals. In par-
ticular, the present invention concerns enantiomerically pure optionally substituted 2-(1-hydroxy-alkyl)- chromen-4-one derivatives
represented by formula (IA) and (IB), processes for preparing the alcohol derivatives and their use in preparing pharmaceuticals.



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