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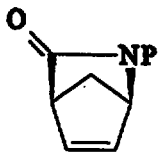
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(IV)

(57) Abstract

The present invention relates to a process for the production of substantially enantiomerically pure intermediates of formula (IV), wherein P is an activating and protecting group, from their racemates by treating the mixture with an acylase enzyme derived from *Bacillus* sp..