

## ortho esters

Compounds having the structure  $RC(OR')_3$  ( $R' \neq H$ ), or the structure  $C(OR')_4$  ( $R' \neq H$ ), e.g.  $HC(OCH_3)_3$  trimethyl orthoformate,  $C(OCH_3)_4$  tetramethyl orthocarbonate.

**Source:**

PAC, 1995, 67, 1307 (*Glossary of class names of organic compounds and reactivity intermediates based on structure (IUPAC Recommendations 1995)*) on page 1354