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**A New Method to Synthesize Famciclovir.** — The route to the acyclonucleoside famciclovir (IX), involves an optimized Mitsunobu reaction and affords the title compound in an overall yield of about 29%. The protection/deprotection process is omitted shortening the pathway. The method constitutes an industrially viable manufacturing process for the title drug without the necessity for chromatographic purification. — (LUO, L.; CHEN, G.; LI\*, Y.; *Heterocycles* 75 (2008) 11, 2803-2808; Shanghai Inst. Mater. Med., Chin. Acad. Sci., Shanghai 201203, Peop. Rep. China; Eng.) — H. Hoennerscheid

