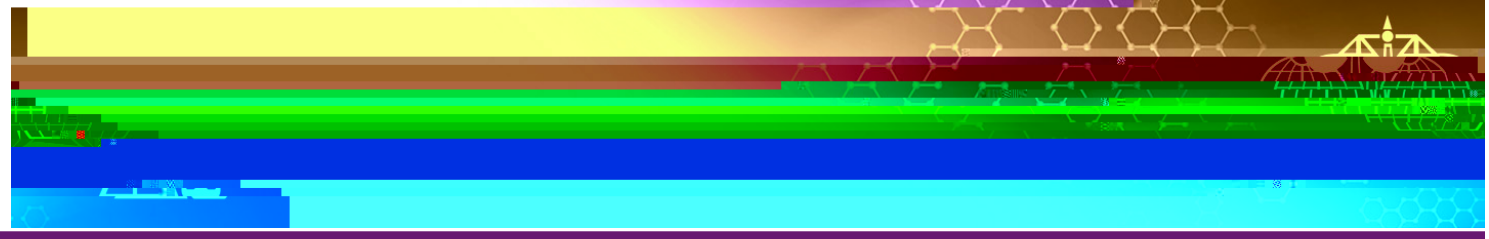


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1) Introduction

The universal adoption of an agreed **nomenclature** has never been more important for the description of chemical structures in publishing and on-line searching. The [International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry \(IUPAC\)](#)^{1a,b} and [Chemical Abstracts Service \(CAS\)](#)² make similar recommendations. The main points are shown here with hyperlinks to original documents. Further details can be found in the [IUPAC Purple Book](#).



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