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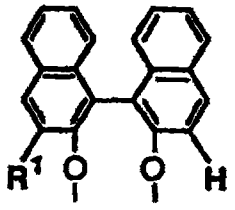
(57) Abstract

Process for the preparation of a terminal aldehyde by hydroformylation by reacting an ethylenically unsaturated organic compound with carbon monoxide and hydrogen in the presence of a catalyst system comprising iridium or rhodium and a bidentate organic phosphite ligand wherein the two phosphorus atoms of the phopshite ligand are linked with a 2,2'-dihydroxyl-1,1'-binapthalene bridging group having structure (Q), (Q) being (a) or (b), in which R^1 and R^2 are substituents other than hydrogen and in which R^3 and R^4 are the same or different substituted monovalent aryl groups and/or any one of OR^3 and OR^4 connected to one phosphorus atom forms an-O-R^5-O-group, where R^5 is a divalent organic group containing one or two aryl groups.



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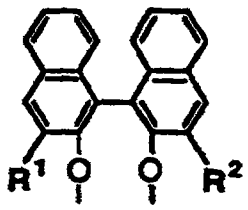

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