

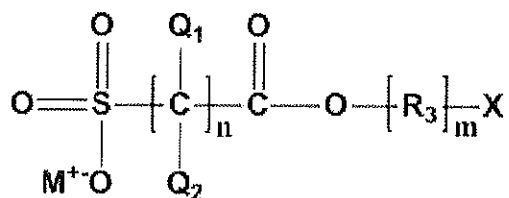
ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

METHOD FOR PREPARING SULFONIUM SALT AND SULFONIUM SALT

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There are provided a method for preparing a sulfonium
 5 salt and a sulfonium salt prepared by the method. The method
 includes a first step of adding a compound represented by
 formula (2) to a compound represented by formula (1) and
 subjecting the compounds to a trans-esterification reaction
 to produce a reaction intermediate; and a second step of
 10 adding an inorganic salt to the reaction intermediate and
 subjecting the compounds to a substitution reaction to
 produce a compound represented by the following formula (3):

[Formula 3]



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wherein R₃, Q₁, Q₂, X, M, n and m are defined in the
 Specification.

The method for preparing a sulfonium salt has
 simplified reaction steps, and at the same time, can be
 20 produced with markedly high yields by the method of the
 present invention.

Figure 1