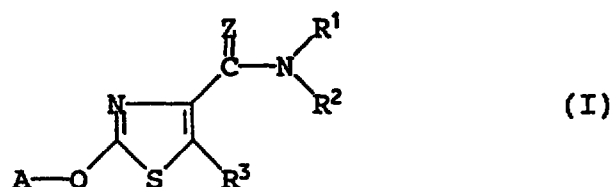


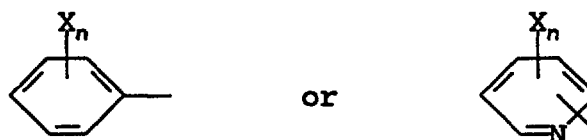
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A compound of the general formula



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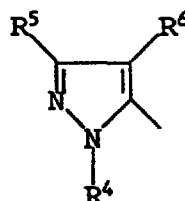
A represents a group of the general formula



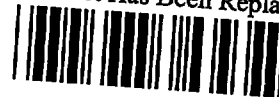
in which each X independently represents a halogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxy, aryl or aryloxy group, or an alkenyloxy, alkynyloxy, alkylthio, haloalkylthio, alkenylthio, alkynylthio, alkylsulphinyl, alkylsulphonyl or cyano group; and

n is 0, an integer from 1 to 4, or, for the phenyl group, 5;

or A represents a group of the general formula



in which each of R⁴, R⁵ and R⁶ independently represents a hydrogen or halogen atom, an optionally substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkaryl, alkoxy, amino,



mono- or di-alkylamino, alkoxycarbonylamino, arylamino, dialkylcarbamoyl, acyl or acylamido group or a cyano group, with the proviso that R^5 and R^6 do not represent an acyl, acylamido or cyano group;

Z represents an oxygen or sulphur atom;

R^1 and R^2 each independently represents a hydrogen atom or an optionally substituted alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkylalkyl, heterocyclyl, aryl, aralkyl, alkaryl, hydroxy, alkoxy, alkenyloxy, alkynyloxy, alkylcarbonyl, alkoxycarbonyl, amino, mono- or di-alkylamino, alkoxycarbonylamino, arylamino, arylalkylamino or dialkylcarbamoyl group, or together represent an alkylene chain which is optionally interrupted by an oxygen or sulphur atom or by a group -NR- in which R represents a hydrogen atom or an alkyl group;

and

R^3 represents a hydrogen or halogen atom or an alkyl group.