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(54) Title: METHOD FOR PREPARING TRIMETHYLBENZOQUINONE (54) Titre: PROCEDE DE PREPARATION DE LA TRIMETHYLBENZOQUINONE (57) Abstract The invention concerns a novel method of preparing trimethyl hydroquinone (THMQ) by oxidising trimethylphenol (TMP). It concerns more particularly a method for oxidising trimethylphenol by a catalytic system consisting of heteropolyacids. (57) Abrégé La présente invention concerne un nouveau procédé de préparation de la triméthylbenzoquinone (TMBO) par oxydation du triméthylphénol (TMP). Elle concerne plus particulièrement un procédé d'oxydation du triméthylphénol par un système catalytique constitué d'hétéropolyacides.		