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(57) Abstract: This invention relates to the use of lactamide compounds of formula (I): $\text{CH}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{NR}^1\text{R}^2$, where R^1 and R^2 are each independently hydrogen; or C_{1-6} alkyl, C_{2-6} alkenyl or C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, each of which is optionally substituted by up to three substituents independently selected from phenyl, hydroxy, C_{1-5} alkoxy, morpholinyl and NR^3R^4 where R^3 and R^4 are each independently C_{1-3} alkyl; or phenyl optionally substituted by up to three substituents independently selected from C_{1-3} alkyl; or R^1 and R^2 together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached form a morpholinyl, pyrrolidinyl, piperidinyl or azepanyl ring, each of which is optionally substituted by up to three substituents independently selected from C_{1-3} alkyl, in formulations to reduce the toxicity associated with other formulation components; to the use of certain lactamide compounds as solvents, especially in formulations, particularly in agrochemical formulations and in environmentally friendly formulations; to novel lactamide compounds; and to processes for preparing lactamide compounds.



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