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(54) **Title**: METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION OF 2,5-FURANDICARBOXYLIC ACID AND ESTERS THEREOF

(57) **Abstract**: The application describes a method for the preparation of 2,5-furandicarboxylic acid ("FDCA") and/or an alkyl ester of FDCA comprising the step of contacting a feed comprising a starting material selected from 5-alkoxymethylfurfural, 2,5-di(alkoxymethyl)furan and a mixture thereof with an oxidant in the presence of an oxidation catalyst. The feed may also comprise 5-hydroxymethylfurfural as a further starting material.