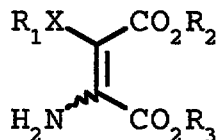


PROCESS AND INTERMEDIATES FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF
PYRIDINE-2,3-DICARBOXYLATE COMPOUNDS

ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

The present invention provides a process to prepare a pyridine-2,3-dicarboxylate derivative via the reaction of a dialkyl alkoxy(or alkylthio)oxalacetate with an appropriately substituted acrolein compound in the presence of an ammonia source and a solvent.

The present invention also provides useful intermediate compounds of formula IV.



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