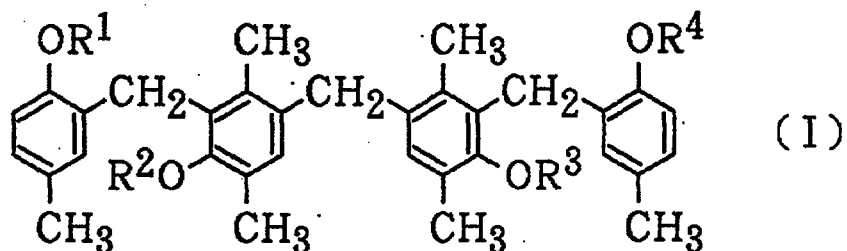


ABSTRACT

A tetraphenol compound represented by the formula

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wherein R^1 , R^2 , R^3 and R^4 represent hydrogen, 1,2-naphthoquinonediazide-4-sulfonyl or 1,2-naphthoquinonediazide-5-sulfonyl and a method for producing the compound are provided, and the compound can be used as a photosensitizer for a positive resist which exhibits superior properties.

