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(57) Abstract: Agrochemical compositions including compounds of the general formula (I):  $R^1-(R^2)X^1-[\text{Link}]-R^3$  where  $R^1$  is polyhydroxy hydrocarbyl;  $R^2$  is H or hydrocarbyl, or is a group as defined for  $R^1$ ;  $X^1$  is a nitrogen containing group as defined, Link is a linking group of the formula (II):  $-\text{CH}_2-\text{CHOH}-X^2-$  where  $X^2$  is as defined and  $R^3$  is hydrocarbyl, usually  $C_6$  to  $C_{30}$ , hydrocarbyl. The compounds of the formula (I) can function as emulsifiers, dispersants or, and particularly, as adjuvants. The agrochemical can be a plant growth regulators, herbicides, and/or pesticides, for example insecticides, fungicides, acaricides, nematocides, miticides, rodenticides, bactericides, molluscicides and/or a bird repellent. Particularly useful formulations include water soluble herbicide(s), particularly such as Glyphosate, Sulfosate, Glufosinate and Paraquat. The invention further includes compounds of the formula (IIa):  $R^1-(R^2)X^1-[\text{Link}^1]-R^3$  where  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ , and  $R^3$  are as defined above for formula (I); and  $\text{Link}^1$  is a defined linking group; and compounds of the formula (IIb):  $R^1-(R^2)X^{1a}-[\text{Link}^2]-R^3$  where  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ , and  $R^3$  are as defined above for formula (I);  $X^{1a}$  is a nitrogen containing group as defined and  $\text{Link}^2$  is a defined linking group.