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(57) Abstract

There is provided a method for controlling or combatting the attachment of a fouling organism to an underwater surface which comprises contacting said organism with an antifouling-effective amount of a diarylboron compound of formula (I). A method for protecting aquatic structures against fouling by a marine or freshwater fouling organism and antifoulant compositions therefor are also provided.

