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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides conjugates having a degradable linkage and polymeric reagents useful in preparing such conjugates. The conjugates as well as the polymeric reagents used to form the conjugates include at least one of each of the following: an aromatic moiety comprising an ionizable hydrogen atom, a spacer moiety, and a water-soluble polymer. Methods of making polymeric reagents and conjugates, as well as methods for administering conjugates and compositions, are also provided.



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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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1. claims: 1, 8, 10, 12, 14-18, 20, 30, 37, 39, 41, 43, 44, 45-47, 49, 59-70 (all in part) and 2, 31 (all completely)

Polymeric reagent according to the claims, in particular formula II; corresponding conjugates and methods.

2. claims: 1, 8, 10, 12, 14-18, 20, 30, 37, 39, 41, 43, 44, 45-47, 49, 59-70 (all in part) and 3, 5, 22-28, 32, 34, 51-57 (all completely)

Polymeric reagent according to formula III; corresponding conjugates and methods.

3. claims: 1, 8, 10, 12, 14-18, 20, 30, 37, 39, 41, 43, 44, 45-47, 49, 59-70 (all in part) and 4, 33 (all completely)

Polymeric reagent according to formula IV; corresponding conjugates and methods.

4. claims: 15-17, 44, 45, 46, 62-70 (all in part) and 6, 7, 9, 11, 13, 19, 21, 29, 35, 36, 38, 40, 42, 48, 50, 58 (all complete)

Polymeric reagent comprising an aromate-containing moiety bearing an ionizable hydrogen and one water-soluble polymer moiety; corresponding conjugates and methods.

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