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Asunto : Solicitud de patente para: **"COMPOSICIONES FUNGICIDAS Y ALGUICIDAS SINÉRGICAS QUE INCLUYEN HETEROCICLOILHIDRAZONAS DE 2-HIDROXIFENILALDEHÍDO Y 2-HIDROXIFENILCETONA Y COBRE"**
Solicitante : DOW AGROSCIENCES LLC
Fecha de solicitud : 19 de Marzo de 2013

1. Yo, Luz Clemencia DE PÁEZ, en mi condición de apoderada de la sociedad solicitante de la patente de la referencia, me refiero al oficio No. **9918** notificado por fijación en lista el 19 de Agosto de 2014.

2. Mediante oficio No. **9918** se puso en conocimiento del solicitante el informe que contiene las observaciones hechas por su Despacho sobre la presente solicitud de patente. Las observaciones realizadas en el oficio se refieren a la claridad del pliego reivindicatorio, a la novedad de las reivindicaciones 1 a 6, 8 y 10 en vista de los documentos D1: WO2010083307 y D2: WO2010083319, y al nivel inventivo de las reivindicaciones 1 a 6, 8 y 10 en vista de los documentos D1: WO2010083307 y D2: WO2010083319.

3. **Respuesta a las objeciones**

De este modo y con el objeto de atender las objeciones arriba mencionadas, se desea presentar las siguientes modificaciones, aclaraciones y argumentos:

"EXCELENCIA LEGAL EN UN MUNDO SIN FRONTERAS"

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3.1. Modificación de una solicitud en trámite

De acuerdo con el artículo 34 de la Decisión 486 de la Comisión de la Comunidad Andina, donde se establece que la modificación de una solicitud es posible en cualquier momento del trámite mientras no implique una ampliación de la solicitud inicial, me permito presentar un nuevo pliego reivindicatorio conformado por 12 reivindicaciones.

Se han introducido las siguientes modificaciones al capítulo reivindicatorio:

- El pliego reivindicatorio ha sido modificado, en especial la reivindicación 1, de manera tal que ha sido limitado a los compuestos que se encuentran debidamente soportados en la descripción. Así las cosas, cada uno de los sustituyentes recitados en la reivindicación 1 se encuentra soportado por al menos un compuesto ejemplificado en la Tabla 1 de la presente descripción.
- Se han introducido dos reivindicaciones nuevas correspondientes a las nuevas reivindicaciones 11 y 12.
- La nueva reivindicación 11 corresponde a una selección de sustituyentes aún más limitada.
- Por otra parte, la reivindicación 1 ha sido modificada para introducir un rango de relación molar mucho más limitado, tal como se encuentra soportado en la descripción (página 28, línea 23 a página 29, línea 18 y página 34, línea 24 a página 35, línea 7).
- Finalmente, las reivindicaciones 5 a 7 han sido eliminadas.

Así, las reivindicaciones son ahora muy claras y precisas en el momento de señalar la naturaleza de la invención reivindicada y es evidente que las características técnicas esenciales de la invención están establecidas.

Por lo anterior, las objeciones formuladas por el Examinador en cuanto a la claridad y concisión del pliego reivindicatorio se ven superadas. En consecuencia, se solicita atentamente tener en cuenta este nuevo pliego reivindicatorio para el nuevo análisis de patentabilidad.

3.2. Argumentos a favor de la falta de Novedad y Nivel Inventivo

El artículo 16 de la Decisión 486 señala lo siguiente:

“Artículo 16: Una invención se considerará nueva cuando no esté comprendida en el estado de la técnica. El estado de la técnica comprenderá todo lo que haya sido accesible al público por una descripción escrita u oral, utilización, comercialización o cualquier otro medio antes de la fecha de presentación de la solicitud de patente, o en su caso, de la prioridad reconocida.”

La novedad de una invención se evalúa a través de la comparación uno a uno de sus características esenciales. De este modo, una invención puede ser objetada por novedad cuando sus características esenciales son exactamente iguales a las de un antecedente que represente el estado de la técnica conocido al momento de presentar la solicitud. Por lo tanto en caso que llegue a existir al menos una diferencia en dicha comparación, se afirma que la invención SI cumple con el requisito de novedad.

Con base en lo anterior, respetuosamente manifestamos nuestro desacuerdo con el análisis llevado a cabo por el Examinador y con las conclusiones del mismo y solicitamos atentamente la reconsideración de las razones por las cuales se objeta la novedad, con base en la siguiente información:

Adicionalmente, el artículo 18 de la Decisión 486 señala lo siguiente:

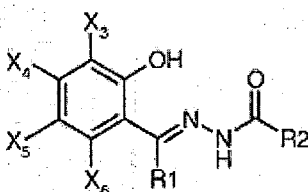
“Artículo 18.- Se considerará que una invención tiene nivel inventivo, si para una persona del oficio normalmente versada en la materia técnica correspondiente, esa invención no hubiese resultado obvia ni se hubiese derivado de manera evidente del estado de la técnica.”

Una invención se considerará inventiva si la misma no hubiese resultado obvia a partir del arte previo para una persona del oficio normalmente versada en la materia. Esto a su vez implica que el Examinador a cargo de esta evaluación debe colocarse en el momento exacto en el que el inventor buscaba resolver el problema técnico contemplado en la solicitud y para el cual poseía la literatura y el conocimiento disponibles en dicho momento.

Siguiendo entonces los lineamientos de la Jurisprudencia aplicable al análisis del nivel inventivo de una solicitud de patente, se considera que una anterioridad o una combinación de dos anterioridades puede afectar dicho requerimiento de patentabilidad, si una persona medianamente versada en la materia encuentra enseñanzas o sugerencias claras que, a partir de un conocimiento medio en dicho campo, le permitan llegar de manera obvia a la invención reivindicada. Adicionalmente se considera que una mejora sustancial, un efecto inesperado o una ventaja con respecto al arte previo es un indicio de nivel inventivo, por cuanto aporta un salto tecnológico en la regla técnica.

A este respecto, respetuosamente manifestamos nuestro desacuerdo con el análisis llevado a cabo por el Examinador y con las conclusiones del mismo y solicitamos atentamente la reconsideración de las razones por las cuales se objeta la novedad y el nivel inventivo, con base en la siguiente información:

En este sentido, el señor Examinador ha objetado las reivindicaciones 1 a 6 y 8 a 10 por carecer de novedad y nivel inventivo en vista de los documentos D1 y D2. Dada la objeción, amablemente ponemos de presente nuestro desacuerdo, ya que la reivindicación 1 tal como ha sido modificada recita una mezcla que incluye cobre y un compuesto de Fórmula I:



Fórmula I

donde R2 es un anillo heterocíclico de 5 ó 6 miembros o sistema de anillos fusionado cuyos miembros consisten de carbono y al menos un átomo distinto de O, N o S. Los anillos heterocíclicos ejemplificados incluyen 4-quinolina, indol, tiofeno, furano, piridina, tiazol, imidazol, benzotiofeno, triazol, tiadiazol, y piperidina recitados en la reivindicación 1. De este modo, el primer anillo, al cual el carbono del carboxilo de la Fórmula I está unido, siempre es un anillo heterocíclico que contiene al menos un átomo de O, N, o S.

En contraste, el primer anillo en D1, que está sustituido con Y_2 - Y_6 y unido al carbono $C=A$ (cuando $n=0$) es siempre un anillo de fenilo homo-cíclico que no incluye ningún heteroátomo. Más bien, los únicos heteroátomos en la Fórmula 1 de D1 están unidos a un segundo anillo formado de Y_2 y Y_3 o Y_3 y Y_4 que se fusiona con el primer anillo.

Del mismo modo, el primer anillo en D2, que está sustituido con Y_2 - Y_6 y unido al carbono $C=O$ es siempre un anillo de fenilo homo-cíclico que no incluye ningún heteroátomo. Más bien, los únicos heteroátomos en la Fórmula 1 de D2 están unidos a un segundo anillo formado de Y_2 y Y_3 o Y_3 y Y_4 que se fusiona con el primer anillo.

Así las cosas, nada en D1 o D2 divulgaría o sugeriría a una persona del oficio normalmente versada en la materia, la sustitución del anillo de fenilo sustituido con Y_2 - Y_6 con un anillo heterocíclico o sistema de anillo fusionado, y mucho menos los anillos heterocíclicos particulares y sistemas de anillos fusionados recitados en la presente reivindicación 1.

De esta forma, se ven superadas las objeciones con respecto a novedad para la presente invención toda vez que es claro que los documentos D1 y D2 no anticipan como un todo las características técnicas esenciales de la mezcla sinérgica objeto de protección tal como se encuentra reivindicada en el nuevo pliego reivindicatorio.

De acuerdo con los argumentos anteriormente explicados, la invención de la presente solicitud de patente es novedosa sobre los documento del estado de la técnica D1 y D2 citados por el Examinador.

Por otro lado, es muy importante resaltar de acuerdo a lo anterior que, es claro que la materia de invención revelada en la presente solicitud de patente se debe tener como inventiva frente a las enseñanzas de los documentos D1 y D2 citados toda vez que dichos documentos no enseñan ni sugieren como un todo las características técnicas esenciales de la mezcla sinérgica para controlar el crecimiento de hongos o de algas y en consecuencia, una persona versada en la materia no se vería motivada a solucionar el problema técnico acá planteado relacionado con tener actividad fungitóxica de espectro amplio, particularmente contra hongos fitopatógenos, tal como lo hace la presente solicitud. Lo anterior, es aún más evidente si se tiene en cuenta que de acuerdo con el "INSTRUCTIVO EXAMEN DE SOLICITUDES DE PATENTES DE INVENCION Y MODELO DE UTILIDAD" de su Despacho para el Examen de nivel inventivo: "El

examinador no debe basarse en apreciaciones personales, toda objeción referente a falta de nivel inventivo debe probarse con documentos del estado de la técnica. Es decir que el examinador debe determinar la materia que sí es patentable y excluir o negar aquella que no lo es, de acuerdo con el estado de la técnica y de conformidad con la legislación y la jurisprudencia y no sólo limitarse a establecer las diferencias entre la solicitud y el estado de la técnica”.

Adicionalmente, en efecto, debido a que la presente invención presenta un efecto sinérgico inesperado que no es enseñando ni sugerido por los documentos citados D1 y D2, es claro que una persona versada en la materia no derivaría de manera obvia u evidente la presente invención a partir de las enseñanzas del estado de la técnica y por lo tanto, la objeción formulada a este respecto se debe tener por superada. Lo anterior, si se tiene en cuenta que ninguno de los documentos citados enseña o sugiere la sinergia de los compuestos basados en cobre, alquicidas basados en cobre u otros materiales que contienen cobre y una hidrazona o derivado de hidrazona, o de una base biológica o química objetivo para los resultados sinérgicos mostrados por la invención reivindicada y por lo tanto, es claro que la presente invención representa un avance significativo sobre el estado de la técnica.

Ahora bien, teniendo en cuenta lo anterior y que la composición acá reivindicada presenta un efecto fungitóxico sinérgico, es decir el efecto técnico que produce la combinación es mayor que la suma de los efectos técnicos de los compuestos individuales, es claro que la presente invención se debe considerar patentable. Lo anterior, es evidente si se tiene en cuenta que de acuerdo con lo señalado por el “INSTRUCTIVO EXAMEN DE SOLICITUDES DE PATENTES DE INVENCION Y MODELO DE UTILIDAD” de su Despacho con respecto a combinaciones no obvias, este mismo Instructivo en particular señala:

“Si las características técnicas combinadas producen un efecto técnico nuevo, es decir, si el efecto técnico que produce la combinación es mayor que la suma de los efectos técnicos de las características individuales, la invención tiene nivel inventivo. Es irrelevante si cada característica individual es total o parcialmente conocido”.

Por lo tanto, un técnico con conocimientos medios en la materia no estaba en condiciones de plantearse el problema, tampoco de resolverlo en la forma en que se reivindica y tampoco de prever el resultado, por lo que la presente solicitud posee la altura inventiva para que se le conceda el privilegio solicitado.

En consecuencia de lo anterior, la invención de la presente solicitud tiene nivel inventivo en vista de los documentos D1 y D2 del estado de la técnica citados por el Examinador.

3.3 Concesión de Solicitudes equivalentes

Si bien entendemos y aceptamos que cada país es autónomo en la concesión o negación de los privilegios de patente, queremos resaltar el hecho que el análisis de los requisitos para el otorgamiento de esos derechos es prácticamente universal. La presente invención fue concedida por la Oficina de Patentes de Estados Unidos de América, patente No. US8563472.

A este respecto, deseamos poner de presente que si bien cada país es autónomo de conceder o negar una solicitud luego de la realización del estudio de fondo, es claro que el hecho de que la novedad y el nivel inventivo de una invención hayan sido reconocidos por varias oficinas a nivel mundial, es un indicio de la patentabilidad de la misma toda vez que (i) el estudio de novedad y nivel inventivo en todas las Oficinas de Patentes del mundo es realizado por personas con conocimientos técnicos en el área de interés que son consideradas personas idóneas para emitir conceptos sobre la patentabilidad de una invención y que (ii) los resultados de los exámenes de novedad o de patentabilidad efectuados respecto a solicitudes extranjeras pueden ser reconocidos como suficientes para acreditar el cumplimiento de las condiciones de patentabilidad de la invención, tal como se señala en el artículo 46 de la Decisión 486:

“Artículo 46.- La oficina nacional competente podrá requerir el informe de expertos o de organismos científicos o tecnológicos que se consideren idóneos, para que emitan opinión sobre la patentabilidad de la invención. Asimismo, cuando lo estime conveniente, podrá requerir informes de otras oficinas de propiedad industrial.

De ser necesario, a efectos del examen de patentabilidad y a requerimiento de la oficina nacional competente, el solicitante proporcionará, en un plazo que no excederá de 3 meses, uno o más de los siguientes documentos relativos a una o más de las solicitudes extranjeras referidas total o parcialmente a la misma invención que se examina:

a) copia de la solicitud extranjera;

b) copia de los resultados de exámenes de novedad o de patentabilidad efectuados respecto a esa solicitud extranjera;

(...)

*La oficina nacional competente podrá **reconocer los resultados de los exámenes referidos en el literal b) como suficientes para acreditar el cumplimiento de las condiciones de patentabilidad de la invención***” (Negrilla fuera del texto).

3.4 Conclusión

Por todo lo anterior, los documentos D1 y D2 no resultan anterioridades válidas capaces de afectar la novedad de la invención de la presente solicitud. De la misma manera, el documento D1, el documento D2, o su combinación, no resultan anterioridades válidas capaces de afectar el nivel inventivo de la invención de la presente solicitud. Por lo tanto, consideramos que el Examinador está pasando por alto que una sola diferencia con respecto al estado de la técnica, permite concluir que el objeto reivindicado es nuevo. Además, está excluyendo el hecho de que el inventor en el momento de solucionar el problema técnico de la solicitud tuvo que emplear habilidad inventiva, pues la presente invención no resulta de la mera extrapolación de las enseñanzas del arte previo, como se afirma. Se está desconociendo el mérito investigativo empleado y que está aportando una ventaja al arte previo.

4. Puesto que se ha dado respuesta a todas las objeciones formuladas por el Examinador, se solicita atentamente proceder al otorgamiento de la solicitud de patente. En este sentido, respetuosamente recordamos al Examinador que la patente no podrá ser negada con base en objeciones diferentes a las expuestas en la acción oficial No. 9918, toda vez que al no haber sido trasladadas a mi representada, dicha decisión violaría tanto el tenor literal del artículo 45 de la Decisión 486 como el derecho constitucional al debido proceso. En este evento, y con base en el inciso 2 del artículo 45, respetuosamente solicitamos al Examinador expedir una nueva acción oficial que permita a mi representada contra argumentar las mismas o modificar la solicitud con el fin de cumplir los requisitos de patentabilidad.

De otro lado, respetuosamente manifiesto que a pesar de eliminar materia del pliego reivindicatorio originalmente presentado, mi representada no renuncia a la protección que pueda obtener sobre dicha materia y se reserva el derecho de presentar una solicitud divisional que la contenga durante el trámite de la presente solicitud, beneficiándose de la fecha de prioridad inicialmente reivindicada.

6. Anexos

- Nuevo pliego reivindicatorio conformado por 12 reivindicaciones
- Copia de la patente Concedida en Estados Unidos de América

Señor Director,


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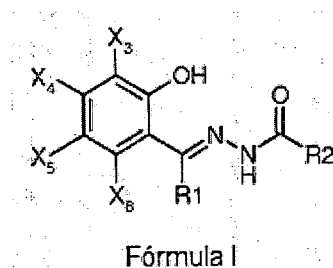
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REIVINDICACIONES

1. Una mezcla sinérgica para controlar el crecimiento de hongos o de algas, caracterizada porque la mezcla sinérgica incluye cobre y un compuesto de hidrazona de la Fórmula I:



en donde R_1 es H, o alquilo de C_1-C_6 ;

R_2 es un anillo heterocíclico de 5 ó 6 miembros o sistema de anillos fusionado seleccionado de tiofeno no sustituido (tienil); tiofeno sustituido con halógeno; tiofeno sustituido con alquilo; furilo no sustituido; furilo sustituido con halógeno; piridilo sustituido con alquilo; haloalquilo o alquilo sustituido con 1,3-tiazolilo; indolilo N-alquilo; hidroxilo, alquilo o haloalquilo sustituido con 1,2-diazoil; alquilo más fenilo sustituido con 1,2,3-triazolilo; fenilo sustituido con 1,2,3-tiadiazolilo; piperidinilo alquilo sustituido; alquilo sustituido con halógeno más quinolinonilo;

X_3 es H, halógeno, o alquenilo de C_2-C_6 ;

X_4 es H;

X_5 es H o halógeno; y

X_6 es H;

en donde la relación molar del cobre a hidrazona es de 0.0:1 a 10,000:1.

2. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 1,

caracterizada porque una cantidad que inhibe el crecimiento de un compuesto de la Fórmula 1 en mezcla con cobre se proporciona como una mezcla en la cual la relación molar total de cobre al compuesto de conformidad con la reivindicación 1 excede 1:1.

3. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 1, caracterizada porque una cantidad que inhibe el crecimiento de un compuesto de la Fórmula 1 se proporciona como un complejo de hidrazona-cobre aislado en el cual la relación molar del cobre al compuesto de conformidad con la reivindicación 1 es uno de 1:1 y 1:2.

4. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 1, caracterizada porque el compuesto de Fórmula 1 a ser combinada con cobre está complejoado con un metal.

5. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 1, caracterizada porque X_3 es H o halógeno y X_5 es halógeno.

6. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 5, caracterizada porque X_3 y X_4 son ambos Cl o ambos Br.

7. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 6, caracterizada porque R_1 es H o CH_3 .

8. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 7, caracterizada porque R_2 es un anillo heterocíclico de 5 miembros sustituido no sustituido.

9. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 8, caracterizada porque R_2 es un anillo de furano, tiazol o tiofeno sustituido o no sustituido.

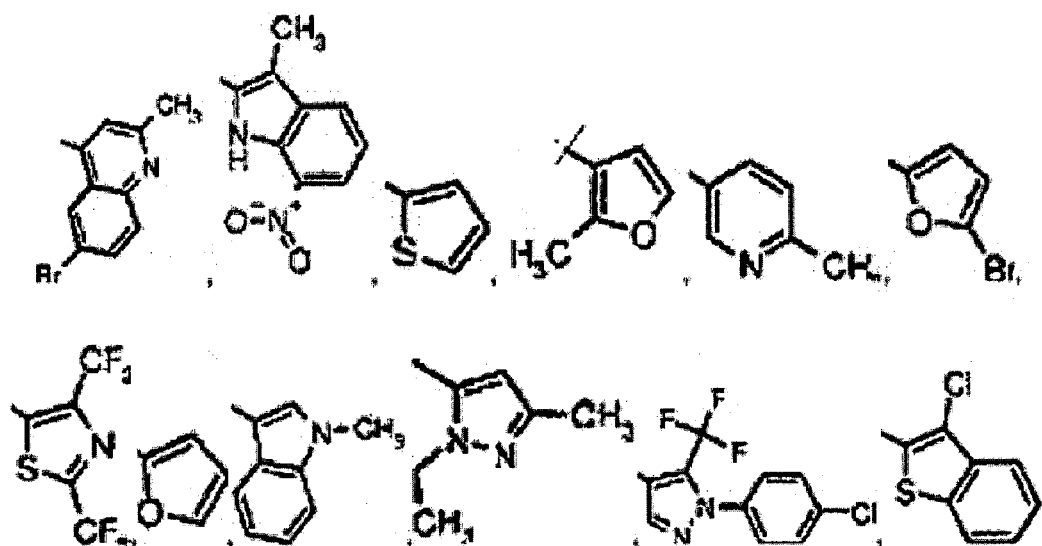
10. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 9, caracterizada porque R_2 es un anillo de tiofeno sustituido o no sustituido.

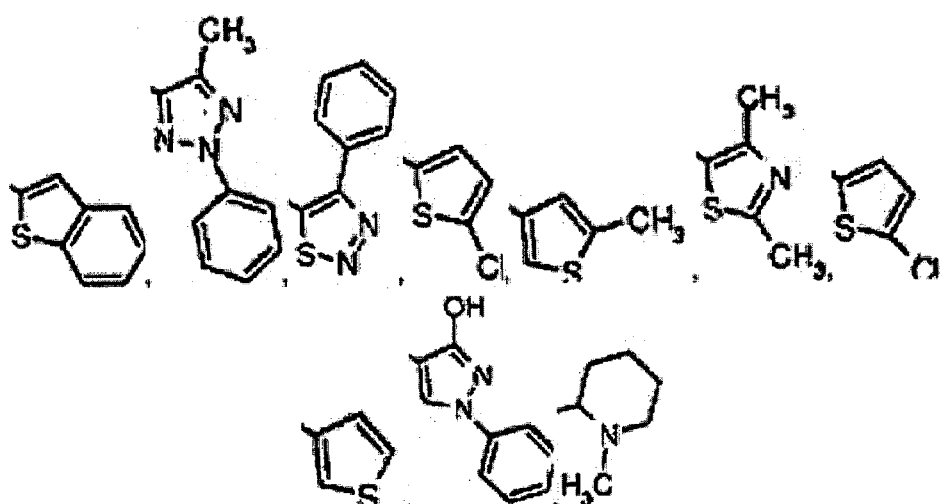
11. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 1, en donde:

el cobre se proporciona como cloruro;

R_1 es H o CH_3 ;

R_2 es se selecciona de:





X_3 se selecciona de H, Cl, Br, y alqueno de C_3 ;

X_4 es H;

X_5 es H, Cl, o Br; y

X_6 is H.

12. La mezcla sinérgica de conformidad con la reivindicación 1, en donde la relación molar de cobre a hidrazona es de 1:1 a 20:1.



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(12) **United States Patent**
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(54) **SYNERGISTIC FUNGICIDAL AND
ALGICIDAL COMPOSITIONS INCLUDING
2-HYDROXYPHENYLALDEHYDE AND
2-HYDROXYPHENYLKETONE
HETEROCYCLOYHYDRAZONES AND
COPPER**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

The present invention relates to the use of mixtures contain-
ing 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde and 2-hydroxyphenylketone
heterocycloylhydrazone compounds and copper for control-
ling the growth of fungi and algae.

17 Claims, No Drawings

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**SYNERGISTIC FUNGICIDAL AND
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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED
APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Ser. No. 61/375,284 filed Aug. 20, 2010, which is expressly incorporated by reference herein.

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to the use of hydrazones in combination with copper, copper-based fungicides, copper-based algicides or other copper-containing materials as synergistic fungicidal or algicidal mixtures.

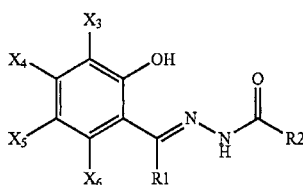
BACKGROUND

Copper is used to control the growth of organisms, especially microorganisms, in a variety of applications such as those described in the *Handbook of Copper Compounds and Applications*, edited by H. W. Richardson and published by Marcel Dekker, Inc. New York (1997), which is expressly incorporated by reference herein. These applications may include its use in agriculture to control a wide range of fungal and bacterial diseases of plants. Copper products may also be used as aquatic biocides in fresh or marine environments. Copper products may be used in antifouling applications and to control unwanted organisms in ponds and lakes based on the toxicity of copper towards algae, fungi, macrophytes and mollusks. Copper-based materials may also be used as wood preservatives and on other materials to inhibit fungal and bacterial growth. Other uses also include killing plant roots in sewer systems.

Ecological risk assessment studies have shown that copper products, which normally are applied at high use rates, may be toxic to birds, mammals, fish and other aquatic species ("Reregistration Eligibility Decision (RED) for Coppers," EPA 738-R-06-020, July 2006, which is expressly incorporated by reference herein). Thus, while copper is a highly useful agent for controlling the growth of undesirable organisms in different environments, it is desirable to minimize the amount of copper applied.

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

One exemplary embodiment of the present disclosure includes a synergistic mixture for controlling the growth of fungi and algae, the synergistic mixture including copper and a hydrazone compound of Formula I:



Formula I

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R₁ is H, or C₁-C₆ alkyl;

R₂ is a substituted or unsubstituted 5- or 6-membered aromatic, saturated, or partially saturated heterocyclic ring whose members consist of carbon and at least one other atom chosen from O, N, or S which may optionally be fused with a second substituted or unsubstituted 5- or 6-membered aromatic, saturated, or partially saturated ring whose members consist of carbon or whose members consist of carbon and one or more other atoms chosen from O, N, or S;

X₃ is H, halogen, or C₂-C₆ alkenyl;

X₄ is H;

X₅ is H or halogen; and

X₆ is H;

with the proviso that X₅ and X₆ may form a 6-membered aromatic fused ring consisting of carbon and hydrogen.

The term "alkyl" refers to a branched, unbranched, or cyclic carbon chain, including methyl, ethyl, propyl, butyl, isopropyl, isobutyl, tertiary butyl, pentyl, hexyl, cyclopropyl, cyclobutyl, cyclopentyl, cyclohexyl and the like.

The term "cycloalkyl" refers to a monocyclic or polycyclic, saturated substituent consisting of carbon and hydrogen.

The term "alkenyl" refers to a branched, unbranched or cyclic carbon chain containing one or more double bonds including ethenyl, propenyl, butenyl, isopropenyl, isobutenyl, cyclohexenyl, and the like.

The term "alkynyl" refers to a branched or unbranched carbon chain containing one or more triple bonds including propynyl, butynyl and the like.

As used throughout this specification, the term 'R' refers to the group consisting of C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₂-C₆ alkenyl, C₂-C₆ alkynyl, C₃-C₆ cycloalkyl, C₁-C₆ haloalkyl, C₂-C₆ haloalkenyl, C₂-C₆ haloalkynyl, or C₃-C₆ halocycloalkyl, unless stated otherwise.

The term "alkoxy" refers to an —OR substituent.

The term "alkylthio" refers to an —SR substituent.

The term "haloalkylthio" refers to an alkylthio, which is substituted with Cl, F, I, or Br or any combination thereof.

The term "cyano" refers to a —C≡N substituent.

The term "hydroxyl" refers to an —OH substituent.

The term "haloalkoxy" refers to an —OR—X substituent, wherein X is Cl, F, Br, or I, or any combination thereof.

The term "haloalkyl" refers to an alkyl, which is substituted with Cl, F, I, or Br or any combination thereof.

The term "halocycloalkyl" refers to a monocyclic or polycyclic, saturated substituent consisting of carbon and hydrogen, which is substituted with Cl, F, I, or Br or any combination thereof.

The term "haloalkenyl" refers to an alkenyl, which is substituted with Cl, F, I, or Br or any combination thereof.

The term "haloalkynyl" refers to an alkynyl which is substituted with Cl, F, I, or Br or any combination thereof.

The term "halogen" or "halo" refers to one or more halogen atoms, defined as F, Cl, Br, and I.

The term "aryl" refers to a cyclic, aromatic substituent consisting of hydrogen and carbon.

The term "heteroaryl" refers to a cyclic substituent that may be fully unsaturated, where the cyclic structure contains at least one carbon and at least one heteroatom, where said heteroatom is nitrogen, sulfur, or oxygen.

The term "phenoxy" refers to an —O substituted with a six-membered fully unsaturated ring consisting of hydrogen and carbon.

The term "nitro" refers to a —NO₂ substituent.

The term "benzyl" refers to a —CH₂ substituted with a six-membered fully unsaturated ring consisting of hydrogen and carbon.

The term "benzoyl" refers to a carbonyl substituted with a six-membered fully unsaturated ring consisting of hydrogen and carbon.

The term "heterocyclic ring" refers to a cyclic structure that may be fully or partially saturated or fully unsaturated, where the cyclic structure contains at least one carbon and at least one heteroatom, where said heteroatom is nitrogen, sulfur, or oxygen.

The term "azido" refers to a $-N_3$ substituent.

Certain compounds disclosed in this document can exist as one or more isomers. It will be appreciated by those skilled in the art that one isomer may be more active than the others. The structures disclosed in the present disclosure are drawn in only one geometric form for clarity, but are intended to represent all geometric or tautomeric forms of the molecule.

Additional features and advantages of the present invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art upon consideration of the following detailed description of the illustrative embodiments exemplifying the best mode of carrying out the invention as presently perceived.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE DISCLOSURE

The embodiments of the invention described herein are not intended to be exhaustive or to limit the invention to the precise forms disclosed. Rather, the embodiments selected for description have been chosen to enable one skilled in the art to practice the invention. Although the disclosure is described as a synergistic combination of copper, copper-based fungicides, copper-based algicides or other copper-containing materials and a hydrazone or hydrazone derivative it should be understood that the concepts presented herein may be used in various applications and should not be limited.

The mixtures of the present invention have fungitoxic activity against phytopathogenic fungi, against fungal pathogens of mammals, including humans, and against wood decay causing fungi. The mixtures of the present invention may have broad spectrum fungitoxic activity, particularly against phytopathogenic fungi. They are active against fungi of a number of classes including Deuteromycetes (Fungi Imperfecti), Basidiomycetes, Oomycetes and Ascomycetes. More particularly, the method of this invention provides for activity against organisms including, but not limited to, *Phytophthora* species, *Plasmopara viticola*, *Pseudoperonospora cubensis*, *Pythium* species, *Pyricularia oryzae*, *Colletotrichum* species, *Helminthosporium* species, *Alternaria* species, *Septoria nodorum*, *Leptosphaeria nodorum*, *Ustilago maydis*, *Erysiphe graminis*, *Puccinia* species, *Sclerotinia* species, *Sphaerotheca fuliginea*, *Cercospora* species, *Rhizoctonia* species, *Uncinula necator*, *Septoria tritici*, and *Podosphaera leucotricha*.

The method of the present invention also provides for activity against fungal pathogens of mammals (including humans) including, but not limited to, *Candida* species such as *C. albicans*, *C. glabrata*, *C. parapsilosis*, *C. krusei*, and *C. tropicalis*, *Aspergillus* species such as *Aspergillus fumigatus*, *Fusarium* species, *Coccidioides immitis*, *Cryptococcus neoformans*, *Histoplasma capsulatum*, *Microsporium* species, and *Tricophyton* species. The method of the present invention also provides for activity against fungi which cause wood decay such as *Gleophyllum trabeur*, *Phialophora mutabilis*, *Poria palcenta* and *Trametes versicolor*.

The present invention contemplates all vehicles by which the composition of the present invention can be formulated for delivery and use as a pesticide composition, including solutions, suspensions, emulsions, wettable powders and

water dispersible granules, emulsifiable concentrates, granules, dusts, baits, and the like. Typically, formulations are applied following dilution of the concentrated formulation with water as aqueous solutions, suspensions or emulsions, or combinations thereof. Such solutions, suspensions or emulsions are produced from water-soluble, water-suspended or water-suspendable, water-emulsified or water-emulsifiable formulations or combinations thereof which are solids, including and usually known as wettable powders or water dispersible granules; or liquids including and usually known as emulsifiable concentrates, aqueous suspensions or suspension concentrates, and aqueous emulsions or emulsions in water, or mixtures thereof such as suspension-emulsions. As will be readily appreciated, any material to which this composition can be added may be used, provided they yield the desired utility without significant interference with the desired activity of the pesticidally active ingredients as pesticidal agents and improved residual lifetime or decreased effective concentration is achieved.

Wettable powders, which may be compacted to form water dispersible granules, comprise an intimate mixture of one or more of the pesticidally active ingredients, an inert carrier and surfactants. The concentration of the pesticidally active ingredient in the wettable powder is usually from about 10 percent to about 90 percent by weight based on the total weight of the wettable powder, more preferably about 25 weight percent to about 75 weight percent. In the preparation of wettable powder formulations, the pesticidally active ingredients can be compounded with any finely divided solid, such as prophylite, talc, chalk, gypsum, Fuller's earth, bentonite, attapulgite, starch, casein, gluten, montmorillonite clays, diatomaceous earths, purified silicates or the like. In such operations, the finely divided carrier and surfactants are typically blended with the compound(s) and milled.

Emulsifiable concentrates of the pesticidally active ingredient comprise a convenient concentration, such as from about 10 weight percent to about 50 weight percent of the pesticidally active ingredient, in a suitable liquid, based on the total weight of the concentrate. The pesticidally active ingredients are dissolved in an inert carrier, which is either a water miscible solvent or a mixture of water-immiscible organic solvents, and emulsifiers. The concentrates may be diluted with water and oil to form spray mixtures in the form of oil-in-water emulsions. Useful organic solvents include aromatics, especially the high-boiling naphthalenic and olefinic portions of petroleum such as heavy aromatic naphtha. Other organic solvents may also be used, such as, for example, terpenic solvents, including rosin derivatives, aliphatic ketones, such as cyclohexanone, and complex alcohols, such as 2-ethoxyethanol.

Emulsifiers which can be advantageously employed herein can be readily determined by those skilled in the art and include various nonionic, anionic, cationic and amphoteric emulsifiers, or a blend of two or more emulsifiers. Examples of nonionic emulsifiers useful in preparing the emulsifiable concentrates include the polyalkylene glycol ethers and condensation products of alkyl and aryl phenols, aliphatic alcohols, aliphatic amines or fatty acids with ethylene oxide, propylene oxides such as the ethoxylated alkyl phenols and carboxylic esters esterified with the polyol or polyoxyalkylene. Cationic emulsifiers include quaternary ammonium compounds and fatty amine salts. Anionic emulsifiers include the oil-soluble salts (e.g., calcium) of alkylaryl sulfonic acids, oil-soluble salts of sulfated polyglycol ethers and appropriate salts of phosphated polyglycol ether.

Representative organic liquids which can be employed in preparing emulsifiable concentrates are the aromatic liquids

such as xylene, propyl benzene fractions; or mixed naphthalene fractions, mineral oils, substituted aromatic organic liquids such as dioctyl phthalate; kerosene; dialkyl amides of various fatty acids, particularly the dimethyl amides; and glycol ethers such as the n-butyl ether, ethyl ether or methyl ether of diethylene glycol, and the methyl ether of triethylene glycol and the like. Mixtures of two or more organic liquids may also be employed in the preparation of the emulsifiable concentrate. Surface-active emulsifying agents are typically employed in liquid formulations and in an amount of from 0.1 to 20 percent by weight based on the combined weight of the emulsifying agents. The formulations can also contain other compatible additives, for example, plant growth regulators and other biologically active compounds used in agriculture.

Aqueous suspensions comprise suspensions of one or more water-insoluble pesticidally active ingredients dispersed in an aqueous vehicle at a concentration in the range from about 5 to about 50 weight percent, based on the total weight of the aqueous suspension. Suspensions are prepared by finely grinding one or more of the pesticidally active ingredients, and vigorously mixing the ground material into a vehicle comprised of water and surfactants chosen from the same types discussed above. Other components, such as inorganic salts and synthetic or natural gums, may also be added to increase the density and viscosity of the aqueous vehicle. It is often most effective to grind and mix at the same time by preparing the aqueous mixture and homogenizing it in an implement such as a sand mill, ball mill, or piston-type homogenizer.

Aqueous emulsions comprise emulsions of one or more water-insoluble pesticidally active ingredients emulsified in an aqueous vehicle at a concentration typically in the range from about 5 to about 50 weight percent, based on the total weight of the aqueous emulsion. If the pesticidally active ingredient is a solid it must be dissolved in a suitable water-immiscible solvent prior to the preparation of the aqueous emulsion. Emulsions are prepared by emulsifying the liquid pesticidally active ingredient or water-immiscible solution thereof into an aqueous medium typically with inclusion of surfactants that aid in the formation and stabilization of the emulsion as described above. This is often accomplished with the aid of vigorous mixing provided by high shear mixers or homogenizers.

The compositions of the present invention can also be granular formulations, which are particularly useful for applications to the soil. Granular formulations usually contain from about 0.5 to about 10 weight percent, based on the total weight of the granular formulation of the pesticidally active ingredient(s), dispersed in an inert carrier which consists entirely or in large part of coarsely divided inert material such as attapulgite, bentonite, diatomite, clay or a similar inexpensive substance. Such formulations are usually prepared by dissolving the pesticidally active ingredients in a suitable solvent and applying it to a granular carrier which has been preformed to the appropriate particle size, in the range of from about 0.5 to about 3 mm. A suitable solvent is a solvent in which the compound is substantially or completely soluble. Such formulations may also be prepared by making a dough or paste of the carrier and the compound and solvent, and crushing and drying to obtain the desired granular particle.

Dusts can be prepared by intimately mixing one or more of the pesticidally active ingredients in powdered form with a suitable dusty agricultural carrier, such as, for example, kaolin clay, ground volcanic rock, and the like. Dusts can suitably contain from about 1 to about 10 weight percent of the compounds, based on the total weight of the dust.

The formulations may additionally contain adjuvant surfactants to enhance deposition, wetting and penetration of the pesticidally active ingredients onto the target site such as a crop or organism. These adjuvant surfactants may optionally be employed as a component of the formulation or as a tank mix. The amount of adjuvant surfactant will typically vary from 0.01 to 1.0 percent by volume, based on a spray-volume of water, preferably 0.05 to 0.5 volume percent. Suitable adjuvant surfactants include, but are not limited to ethoxylated nonyl phenols, ethoxylated synthetic or natural alcohols, salts of the esters of sulfosuccinic acids, ethoxylated organosilicones, ethoxylated fatty amines and blends of surfactants with mineral or vegetable oils.

The formulations may optionally include combinations that contain other pesticidal compounds. Such additional pesticidal compounds may be fungicides, insecticides, nematocides, miticides, arthropodicides, bactericides or combinations thereof that are compatible with the mixtures of the present invention in the medium selected for application, and not antagonistic to the activity of the present mixtures. Accordingly, in such embodiments, the other pesticidal compound is employed as a supplemental toxicant for the same or for a different pesticidal use. The mixtures of the present invention and the pesticidal compound in the combination can generally be present in a weight ratio of from 1:100 to 100:1.

For pharmaceutical use, the mixtures described herein may be taken up in pharmaceutically acceptable carriers, such as, for example, solutions, suspensions, tablets, capsules, ointments, elixirs and injectable compositions. Pharmaceutical preparations may contain from 0.1% to 99% by weight of active ingredient. Preparations which are in single dose form, "unit dosage form," preferably contain from 20% to 90% active ingredient, and preparations which are not in single dose form preferably contain from 5% to 20% active ingredient. As used herein, the term "active ingredient" refers to mixtures described herein, salts thereof, hydrates, and mixtures with other pharmaceutically active compounds. Dosage unit forms such as, for example, tablets or capsules, typically contain from about 0.05 to about 1.0 g of active ingredient.

The mixtures of the present invention can also be combined with other agricultural fungicides to form fungicidal mixtures and synergistic mixtures thereof. The fungicidal mixtures of the present invention are often applied in conjunction with one or more other fungicides to control a wider variety of undesirable diseases. When used in conjunction with other fungicide(s), the presently claimed mixtures can be formulated with the other fungicide(s), tank mixed with the other fungicide(s) or applied sequentially with the other fungicide(s). Such other fungicides include amisulbrom 2-(thiocyanatomethylthio)-benzothiazole, 2-phenylphenol, 8-hydroxyquinoline sulfate, antimycin, Ampelomyces, quisqualis, azaconazole, azoxystrobin, *Bacillus subtilis*, *Bacillus subtilis* strain QST713, benalaxyl, benomyl, benthialavalcarb-isopropyl, benzylaminobenzene-sulfonate (BABS) salt, bicarbonates, biphenyl, bismethiazol, bitertanol, bixafen, blastidins-S, borax, boscalid, bromuconazole, bupirimate, BYF 1047, calcium polysulfide, captafol, captan, carbendazim, carboxin, carpropamid, carvone, chlazafenone, chloroneb, chlorothalonil, chlozolinate, *Coniothyrium minitans*, cyazofamid, cyflufenamid, cymoxanil, cyproconazole, cyprodinil, coumarin, dazomet, debacarb, diammonium ethylenebis-(dithiocarbamate), dichlofluanid, dichlorophen, diclocymet, diclomezine, dichloran, diethofencarb, difenoconazole, difenzoquat ion, diflufenorim, dimethomorph, dimoxystrobin, diniconazole, diniconazole-M, dinobutol, dinocap, diphenylamine, dithianon, dodemorph, dodemorph acetate,

dodine, dodine free base, edifenphos, enestrobin, epoxiconazole, ethaboxam, ethoxyquin, etridiazole, famoxadone, fenamidone, fenarimol, fenbuconazole, fenfuram, fenhexamid, fenoxanil, fenpiclonil, fenpropidin, fenpropimorph, fenpyrazamine, fentin, fentin acetate, fentin hydroxide, ferbam, ferimzone, fluazinam, fludioxonil, flumorph, fluopicolide, fluopyram, fluoroimide, fluoxastrobil, fluquinconazole, flusilazole, flusulfamide, flutolanil, flutriafol, fluxapyroxad, folpet, formaldehyde, fosetyl, fosetyl-aluminium, fuberidazole, furalaxyl, furametpyr, guazatine, guazatine acetates, GY-81, hexachlorobenzene, hexaconazole, hymexazol, imazalil, imazalil sulfate, imibenconazole, iminoctadine, iminoctadine triacetate, iminoctadine tris(albesilate), iodocarb, ipconazole, ipfenpyrazolone, iprobenfos, iprodione, iprovalicarb, isoprothiolane, isopyrazam, isotianil, kasugamycin, kasugamycin hydrochloride hydrate, kresoxim-methyl, laminarin, mancozeb, mancozeb, mandipropamid, maneb, mepanipyrim, mepronil, meptyl-dinocap, mercuric chloride, mercuric oxide, mercurous chloride, metalaxyl, mefenoxam, metalaxyl-M, metam, metammonium, metam-potassium, metam-sodium, metconazole, methasulfocarb, methyl iodide, methyl isothiocyanate, metiram, metominostrobin, metrafenone, mildiomyacin, myclobutanil, nabam, nitrothal-isopropyl, nuarimol, othilinone, ofurace, oleic acid (fatty acids), orysastrobil, oxadixyl, oxine-copper, oxpoconazole fumarate, oxycarboxin, pefurazate, penconazole, pencycuron, pentachlorophenol, pentachlorophenyl laurate, penthiopyrad, phenylmercury acetate, phosphonic acid, phthalide, picoxystrobin, polyoxin B, polyoxins, polyoxorim, potassium bicarbonate, potassium hydroxyquinoline sulfate, probenazole, prochloraz, procymidone, propamocarb, propamocarb hydrochloride, propiconazole, propineb, proquinazid, prothiobenzazole, pyraclostrobin, pyrazophos, pyribencarb, pyributicarb, pyrifenoxy, pyrimethanil, pyriofenone, pyroquilon, quinoctamine, quinoxifen, quintozone, *Reynoutria sachalinensis* extract, silthiofam, simeconazole, sodium 2-phenylphenoxide, sodium bicarbonate, sodium pentachlorophenoxide, spiroxamine, sulfur, SYP-2071, SYP-048, SYP-Z048, tar oils, tebuconazole, tecnazene, tetraconazole, thiabendazole, thifluzamide, thiophanate-methyl, thiram, tiadinil, tolclofos-methyl, tolylfluanid, triadimefon, triadimenol, triazolopyrimidine, triazoxide, tricyclazole, tridemorph, trifloxystrobin, triflumizole, triforine, triticonazole, validamycin, vinclozolin, zineb, ziram, zoxamide, *Candida oleophila*, *Fusarium cocycosporum*, *Gliocladium* spp., *Phlebiopsis gigantea*, *Streptomyces griseoviridis*, *Trichoderma* spp., (RS)—N-(3,5-dichlorophenyl)-2-(methoxymethyl)-succinimide, 1,2-dichloropropane, 1,3-dichloro-1,1,3,3-tetrafluoroacetone hydrate, 1-chloro-2,4-dinitronaphthalene, 1-chloro-2-nitropropane, 2-(2-heptadecyl-2-imidazolin-1-yl)ethanol, 2,3-dihydro-5-phenyl-1,4-dithi-ine, 1,1,4,4-tetraoxide, 2-methoxyethylmercury acetate, 2-methoxyethylmercury chloride, 2-methoxyethylmercury silicate, 3-(4-chlorophenyl)-5-methylrhodanine, 4-(2-nitroprop-1-enyl)phenyl thiocyanate, ampropylfos, anilazine, azithiram, barium polysulfide, Bayer 32394, benodanil, benquinox, bentazon, benzenesulfonamide, benzamocil, benzamocil-isobutyl, benzamorf, binapacryl, bis(methylmercury) sulfate, bis(tributyltin) oxide, buthioate, cadmium calcium copper zinc chromate sulfate, carbamorph, CECA, chlorobenzothiazole, chloranilformethan, chlorfenazole, chlorquinox, climbazole, cyclafuramid, cypendazole, cyproflum, decafentin, dichlorone, dichlozoline, diclobutrazol, dimethirimol, dinocin, dinosulfon, dinoterbon, dipyrithione, ditalimfos, dodicin, drazoxolon, EBP, ESBP, etaconazole, etem, ethirim, fenaminosulf, fena-

panil, fenitropan, 5-fluorocytosine and fungicides thereof, fluotrimazole, furcarbanil, furconazole, furconazole-cis, furecycloz, furophanate, glydine, griseofulvin, halacrinat, Hercules 3944, hexylthiofos, ICA0858, isopamphos, isovalledione, mebenil, mecarbinzid, metazoxolon, methfuroxam, methylmercury dicyandiamide, metsulfosax, milneb, mucchloric anhydride, myclozolin, N-3,5-dichlorophenyl-succinimide, N-3-nitrophenyl-itaconimide, natamycin, N-ethylmercurio-4-toluenesulfonanilide, nickel bis (dimethyldithiocarbamate), OCH, phenylmercury dimethyldithiocarbamate, phenylmercury nitrate, phosphidphen, picolinamide UK-2A and derivatives thereof, prothiocarb; prothiocarb hydrochloride, pyracarbolid, pyridinitril, pyroxychlor, pyroxyfur, quinacetol; quinacetol sulfate, quinazamid, quinconazole, rabenzazole, salicylanilide, SSF-109, sultropen, tecoram, thiadifluor, thi-cyofen, thiochlorfenphim, thiophanate, thioquinox, tioxyimid, triamiphos, triarimol, triazbutil, trichlamide, urbacid, zarilamide, and any combinations thereof.

The mixtures of the present invention can also be combined with other antifungal compounds used to control infections in mammals to form fungicidal mixtures and synergistic mixtures thereof. The fungicidal mixtures of the present invention can be applied in conjunction with one or more other antifungal compounds or their pharmaceutically acceptable salts to control a wider variety of undesirable diseases. When used in conjunction with other antifungal compounds, the presently claimed mixtures can be formulated with the other antifungal compound(s), coadministered with the other antifungal compound(s) or applied sequentially with the other antifungal compound(s). Typical antifungal compounds include, but are not limited to compounds selected from the group consisting of an azole such as fluconazole, voriconazole, itraconazole, ketoconazole, and miconazole, a polyene such as amphotericin B, nystatin or liposomal and lipid forms thereof such as Abelcet, AmBisome and Amphocil, a purine nucleotide inhibitor such as 5-fluorocytosine, a polyoxin such as nikkomycin, and pneumocandin or echinocandin derivatives such as caspofungin and micafungin.

Additionally, the mixtures of the present invention can be combined with other pesticides, including insecticides, nematocides, miticides, arthropodocides, bactericides or combinations thereof that are compatible with the mixtures of the present invention in the medium selected for application, and not antagonistic to the activity of the present mixtures to form pesticidal mixtures and synergistic mixtures thereof. The fungicidal mixtures of the present invention are often applied in conjunction with one or more other pesticides to control a wider variety of undesirable pests. When used in conjunction with other pesticides, the presently claimed mixtures can be formulated with the other pesticide(s), tank mixed with the other pesticide(s) or applied sequentially with the other pesticide(s). Typical insecticides include, but are not limited to: antibiotic insecticides such as allosamidin and thuringiensin; macrocyclic lactone insecticides such as spinosad; avermectin insecticides such as abamectin, doramectin, emamectin, eprinomectin, ivermectin and selamectin; milbemycin insecticides such as lepermectin, milbemectin, milbemycin oxime and moxidectin; arsenical insecticides such as calcium arsenate, copper acetoarsenite, copper arsenate, lead arsenate, potassium arsenite and sodium arsenite; botanical insecticides such as anabasine, azadirachtin, d-limonene, nicotine, pyrethrins, cinerins, cinerin I, cinerin II, jasmolin I, jasmolin II, pyrethrin I, pyrethrin II, quassia, rotenone, ryania and sabadilla; carbamate insecticides such as bendiocarb and carbaryl; benzofuran methylcarbamate insecticides such as benfuracarb, carbofuran, carbosulfan,

decarbofuran and furathiocarb; dimethylcarbamate insecticides dimitan, dimetilan, hyquincarb and pirimicarb; oxime carbamate insecticides such as alanycarb, aldicarb, aldoxycarb, butocarboxim, butoxy-carboxim, methomyl, nitrilacarb, oxamyl, tazimcarb, thiocarboxime, thiodicarb and thiofanox; phenyl methylcarbamate insecticides such as allylxy carb, aminocarb, bufencarb, butacarb, carbanolate, cloethocarb, dicresyl, dioxacarb, EMPC, ethiofencarb, fenethacarb, fenobucarb, isoprocarb, methiocarb, metolcarb, mexacarbate, promacyl, promecarb, propoxur, trimethacarb, XMC and xylylcarb; dinitrophenol insecticides such as dinex, dinoprop, dinosam and DNOC; fluorine insecticides such as barium hexafluorosilicate, cryolite, sodium fluoride, sodium hexafluorosilicate and sulfuramid; formamidine insecticides such as amitraz, chlordimeform, formetanate and formparanate; fumigant insecticides such as acrylonitrile, carbon disulfide, carbon tetrachloride, chloroform, chloropicrin, paradichlorobenzene, 1,2-dichloropropane, ethyl formate, ethylene dibromide, ethylene dichloride, ethylene oxide, hydrogen cyanide, iodomethane, methyl bromide, methylchloroform, methylene chloride, naphthalene, phosphine, sulfuryl fluoride and tetrachloroethane; inorganic insecticides such as borax, calcium polysulfide, copper oleate, mercurous chloride, potassium thiocyanate and sodium thiocyanate; chitin synthesis inhibitors such as bistrifluron, buprofezin, chlorfluazuron, cyromazine, diflubenzuron, flucycloxuron, flufenoxuron, hexaflumuron, lufenuron, nov-aluron, noviflumuron, penfluron, teflubenzuron and triflumuron; juvenile hormone mimics such as epofenonane, fenoxycarb, hydroprene, kinoprene, methoprene, pyriproxyfen and triprene; juvenile hormones such as juvenile hormone I, juvenile hormone II and juvenile hormone III; moulting hormone agonists such as chromafenozide, halofenozide, methoxyfenozide and tebufenozide; moulting hormones such as .alpha.-ecdysone and ecdysterone; moulting inhibitors such as diofenolan; precocenes such as precocene I, precocene II and precocene III; unclassified insect growth regulators such as dicyclanil; nereistoxin analogue insecticides such as bensultap, cartap, thiocyclam and thiosultap; nicotinoid insecticides such as flonicamid; nitroguanidine insecticides such as clothianidin, dinotefuran, imidacloprid and thiamethoxam; nitromethylene insecticides such as nitenpyram and nithiazine; pyridylmethyl-amine insecticides such as acetamiprid, imidacloprid, nitenpyram and thiacloprid; organochlorine insecticides such as bromo-DDT, camphenchlor, DDT, pp'-DDT, ethyl-DDD, HCH, gamma-HCH, lindane, methoxychlor, pentachlorophenol and TDE; cyclo-diene insecticides such as aldrin, bromocyclen, chlorbicyclen, chlordane, chlordecone, dieldrin, dilor, endosulfan, endrin, HEOD, heptachlor, HHDN, isobenzan, isodrin, kelevan and mirex; organophosphate insecticides such as bromfenvinfos, chlorfenvinfos, crotoxyphos, dichlorvos, dicrotophos, dimethylvinphos, fospirate, heptenophos, methocrotophos, mevinphos, monocrotophos, naled, naftalofos, phosphamidon, propaphos, TEPP and tetrachlorvinphos; organothiophosphate insecticides such as dioxabenzofos, fosmethilan and phenothoate; aliphatic organothiophosphate insecticides such as acethion, amiton, cadusafos, chlorethoxyfos, chlormephos, demephion, demephion-O, demephion-S, demeton, demeton-O, demeton-S, demeton-methyl, demeton-O-methyl, demeton-S-methyl, demeton-S-methylsulphon, disulfoton, ethion, ethoprophos, IPSP, isothioate, malathion, methacrifos, oxydemeton-methyl, oxydeprofos, oxydisulfoton, phorate, sulfotep, terbufos and thiometon; aliphatic amide organothiophosphate insecticides such as amidithion, cyanthoate, dimethoate, ethoate-methyl, formothion, mecarbam, omethoate, prothoate, sophamide and

vamidothion; oxime organothiophosphate insecticides such as chlorphoxim, phoxim and phoxim-methyl; heterocyclic organothiophosphate insecticides such as azamethiphos, coumaphos, coumithoate, dioxathion, endothion, menazon, morphothion, phosalone, pyraclofos, pyridaphenthion and quinothion; benzothiopyran organothiophosphate insecticides such as dithicrofos and thicrofos; benzotriazine organothiophosphate insecticides such as azinphos-ethyl and azinphos-methyl; isoindole organothiophosphate insecticides such as dialifos and phosmet; isoxazole organothiophosphate insecticides such as isoxathion and zolaprofos; pyrazolopyrimidine organothiophosphate insecticides such as chlorprazophos and pyrazophos; pyridine organothiophosphate insecticides such as chlorpyrifos and chlorpyrifos-methyl; pyrimidine organothiophosphate insecticides such as butathiofos, diazinon, etrimfos, lirimfos, pirimiphos-ethyl, pirimiphos-methyl, primidophos, pyrimitate and tebupirimfos; quinoxaline organothiophosphate insecticides such as quinalphos and quinalphos-methyl; thiadiazole organothiophosphate insecticides such as athidathion, lythidathion, methidathion and prothidathion; triazole organothiophosphate insecticides such as isazofos and triazophos; phenyl organothiophosphate insecticides such as azothoate, bromophos, bromophos-ethyl, carbophenothion, chlorthiophos, cyanophos, cythioate, dicapthion, dichlofenthion, etaphos, famphur, fenclorophos, fenitrothion, fensulfothion, fenthion, fenthion-ethyl, heterophos, jodfenphos, mesulfenfos, parathion, parathion-methyl, phenkapton, phosnichlor, profenofos, prothiofos, sulprofos, temephos, trichlormetaphos-3 and trifenofos; phosphonate insecticides such as butonate and trichlorfon; phosphonothioate insecticides such as mecarphos; phenyl ethylphosphonothioate insecticides such as fonofos and trichloronat; phenyl phenylphosphonothioate insecticides such as cyanofenphos, EPN and leptophos; phosphoramidate insecticides such as crufomate, fenamiphos, fos-thietan, mephosfolan, phosfolan and pirimetaphos; phosphoramidothioate insecticides such as acephate, isocarbophos, isofenphos, methamidophos and propetamphos; phosphorodiamide insecticides such as dimefox, mazi-dox, mipafox and schradan; oxadiazine insecticides such as indoxacarb; phthalimide insecticides such as dialifos, phosmet and tetramethrin; pyrazole insecticides such as acetoprole, cyenopyrafen, ethiprole, fipronil, flufiprole, pyrafluprole, pyriprole, tebufenpyrad, tolfenpyrad and vanilprole; pyrethroid ester insecticides such as acrinathrin, allethrin, bioallethrin, barthrin, bifenthrin, bioethanomethrin, cyclothrin, cycloprothrin, cyfluthrin, beta-cyfluthrin, cyhalo-thrin, gamma-cyhalothrin, lambda-cyhalothrin, cypermethrin, alpha-cypermethrin, beta-cypermethrin, theta-cypermethrin, zeta-cypermethrin, cyphenothrin, deltamethrin, dimefluthrin, dimethrin, empenethrin, fen-fluthrin, fenpirithrin, fenpropathrin, fenvalerate, esfenvalerate, flucythrinate, fluvalinate, tau-fluvalinate, furethrin, imiprothrin, meperfluthrin, metofluthrin, permethrin, biopermethrin, transpermethrin, phenothrin, prallethrin, profluthrin, pyresmethrin, resmethrin, bioresmethrin, cis-methrin, tefluthrin, terallethrin, tetramethrin, tetramethyfluthrin, tralomethrin and transfluthrin; pyrethroid ether insecticides such as etofenprox, flufenprox, halfenprox, pro-trifenbute and silafluofen; pyrimidinamine insecticides such as flufenimer and pyrimidifen; pyrrole insecticides such as chlorfenapyr; tetrionic acid insecticides such as spiromesifen; thiourea insecticides such as diafenthiuron; urea insecticides such as flucofuron and sulcofuron; and unclassified insecti-cides such as closantel, crotamiton, EXD, fenazaflo, fenox-acrim, flubendiamide, hydramethylnon, isoprothiolane, mal-onoben, metaflumizone, metoxadiazone, nifluridide,

pyridaben, pyridalyl, rafoxanide, triarathene, triazamate, meptyldinocap, pyribencarb and any combinations thereof.

The mixtures have broad ranges of efficacy as fungicides. The exact amounts of hydrazones and copper-containing materials to be applied is dependent not only on the specific materials being applied and relative amounts of hydrazone and copper in the mixtures, but also on the particular action desired, the fungal species to be controlled, and the stage of growth thereof, as well as the part of the plant or other product to be contacted with the mixture. Thus, all the mixtures, and formulations containing the same, may not be equally effective at similar concentrations or against the same fungal species.

The mixtures are effective in use with plants in a disease-inhibiting and phytologically acceptable amount. The term "disease inhibiting and phytologically acceptable amount" refers to an amount of a mixture that kills or inhibits the plant disease for which control is desired, but is not significantly toxic to the plant. The exact amount of a mixture required varies with the fungal disease to be controlled, the type of formulation employed, the method of application, the particular plant species, climate conditions, and the like. The dilution and rate of application will depend upon the type of equipment employed, the method and frequency of application desired and diseases to be controlled. For foliar control of fungal infections on plants, the amount of copper used in mixture with hydrazone may range from 0.001 to 5 kilograms per hectare (kg/ha), and preferably from 0.05 to 1 kg/ha. The amount of hydrazone used in mixture with copper may range from 0.001 to 5 kg/ha, and preferably from 0.05 to 1 kg/ha. The molar ratio of copper to hydrazone may range from 0.1:1 to 10,000:1, preferably from 0.5:1 to 1000:1 and more preferably from 1:1 to 20:1.

It should be understood that the preferred amount of a copper material to be mixed with hydrazone in a given application may be influenced by availability of copper from other sources such as copper present in the soil or irrigation water, copper present on the foliage from natural sources, copper applied for fungal or bacterial disease control, copper applied as a fertilizer component, copper present in the water used in preparing fungicide solutions for application such as in spray application, copper present in formulations used in preparing spray solutions or dusts for application, or any other suitable copper source.

For fungal control the hydrazone may be applied before or after the application of copper such that the mixture is generated in the location where fungal control is desired. Additionally, multiple applications of copper or the hydrazone may be applied.

As a seed protectant, the amount of toxicant coated on the seed is usually at a dosage rate of about 10 to about 250 grams (g) and preferably from about 20 to about 60 g per 50 kilograms (kg) of seed. As a soil fungicide, the chemical can be incorporated in the soil or applied to the surface usually at a rate of 0.5 to about 20 kg and preferably about 1 to about 5 kg/ha.

The mixtures of the present invention may have broad spectrum algicidal activity. Algae which may be controlled by the method of the present invention include individual species and mixed cultures. Examples of species controlled include green algae such as *Chlamydomonas reinhardtii*, *Chlorella pyrenoidosa*, *Scenedesmus quadricauda*, *Chlorococcum oleofaciens*, and *Selenastrum* species; blue-green algae (cyanobacteria) such as *Phormidium* species, *Anabaena flosaquae*, *Nostoc commune*, *Osiffiatorae* species, *Synechocystis* species, and *Synechococcus* species; and marine algae such as *Dunaliella parva*.

According to the method of the present invention, the mixtures described herein may be combined with other known antialgal compounds including: chlorine/bromine compounds, glutaraldehyde, isothiazoles, isothiazolones, organotin formulations, quaternary ammonium compounds, and triazines.

The amount of the active mixture required to control algae will depend upon many factors such as, for example: the type of surface; the amount of water present; whether the active mixture is incorporated into a coating composition, applied directly to an object, or added to an aqueous or other solution; and the type and extent of algal infestation.

While the mixtures described herein may be administered alone to control algae, it is preferable to administer them as formulations. Useful formulations comprise one or more compounds and one or more acceptable carriers. The term "acceptable carrier" means a carrier compatible with the active mixture and other ingredients of the formulation and which is not toxic to the system or which will not cause degradation of the system. Formulations of the mixtures may contain from 0.01 to 99.9 percent by weight of the mixture. More typically the solutions and formulations will contain from 1.0 to 85 percent by weight of the mixture. Useful formulations include aqueous solutions, solvent based solutions, wettable powders, emulsifiable concentrates, dusts, granular formulations, pellets, aerosols, or flowable emulsion concentrates. In such formulations, the compounds are extended with liquid or solid carriers and, when desired, suitable surfactants are incorporated.

In the case of spray formulations, it is often desirable to include one or more adjuvants, such as wetting agents, spreading agents, dispersing agents, stickers, adhesives, emulsifying agents and the like. Such adjuvants commonly used in the art can be found in the John W. McCutcheon, Inc. publication *Detergents and Emulsifiers, Annual*, Allured Publishing Company, Ridgewood, N.J., U.S.A. Spray formulations can be administered using common application methods, such as conventional high-volume hydraulic sprays, low-volume sprays, air-blast spray, aerial sprays, backpack and hand held sprays, and dusts. The dilution and rate of application will depend upon the type of equipment employed, the method of application, area treated, and algae to be controlled.

The mixtures of the present invention may also be used to control algae in cooling tower waters. In such applications the hydrazone and copper components of the mixtures are maintained at a concentration of from 0.001 ppm to the solubility limit of the compound, preferably 0.01 to 200 ppm.

In addition, the compounds of the present invention are useful for imparting algal resistance to coatings or impregnated compositions. In such applications, the mixtures are incorporated into the coating or into the impregnating composition at a concentration from 0.1 to 10 percent by weight, preferably 1 to 5 percent by weight.

The compounds of the present invention may also be useful for imparting algal resistance to construction products such as stucco, roof mastics, wall mastics, and masonry coatings; in clear finishes and coatings to protect underlying substrates from algae; for algae control in aquaculture including aquaria, fish hatcheries, shrimp ponds, finfish ponds, mollusk and crustacean cultivation; for algae control in recreational and decorative bodies of water such as swimming pools, lakes, fountains, and decorative ponds; for algae control in bodies of water for industrial or municipal use, such as settling or separation ponds, waste treatment ponds, and water reservoirs; for algae control in hydroponic farming or rice paddies; for algae control in processing and manufacture of

pulp and paper products; and for inclusion in plastics or in coatings for plastics to protect against algae. Care must be taken in the selection of compound and application rate to avoid adverse effects on non-target organisms.

The mixtures have broad ranges of efficacy as algicides. The exact amounts of hydrazones and copper-containing materials to be applied is dependent not only on the specific materials being applied and relative amounts of hydrazone and copper in the mixtures, but also on the particular action desired, the algal species to be controlled, and the stage of growth thereof, as well as the location to be contacted with the mixture. Thus, all the mixtures, and formulations containing the same, may not be equally effective at similar concentrations or against the same algal species.

The exact amount of a mixture required varies with the algal species to be controlled, the type of formulation employed, the method of application, climate conditions, and the like. The dilution and rate of application will depend upon the type of equipment employed, the method and frequency of application desired and algal species to be controlled. The molar ratio of copper to hydrazone in the active mixture may range from 0.1:1 to 10,000:1, preferably from 0.5:1 to 1000:1 and more preferably from 1:1 to 20:1.

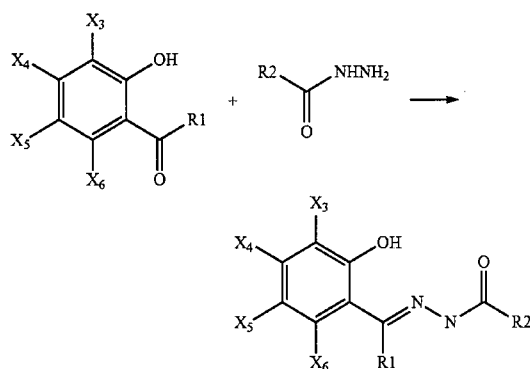
It should be understood that the preferred amount of a copper material to be mixed with hydrazone in a given application may be influenced by availability of copper from other sources such as copper present in the body of water or material to be treated, copper present in the water or solvent used in preparing the algicidal solutions for application such as in spray application, copper present in formulations used in preparing spray solutions or dusts for application, or any other suitable copper source.

For algal control the hydrazone may be applied before or after the application of copper such that the mixture is generated in the location where control is desired. Additionally, multiple applications of copper or the hydrazone may be applied.

As exemplified below, hydrazones of the present invention, or their metal complexes, in a mixture with inorganic or organic mono- or divalent copper salts or chelates (hereinafter referred to as "copper products") increase the biological potency of copper products, enabling comparable or improved efficacy at lower copper use rates. While not intending to be all-inclusive, copper products which may be mixed with the compounds of the present invention to provide enhanced potency may include the following: copper oxychloride, copper octanoate, copper ammonium carbonate, copper arsenate, copper oxysulfate, copper formate, copper propionate, copper oxyacetate, copper citrate, copper chloride, copper diammonium chloride, copper nitrate, copper carbonate, copper phosphate, copper pyrophosphate, copper disodium EDTA, copper diammonium EDTA, copper oxalate, copper tartrate, copper gluconate, copper glycinate, copper glutamate, copper aspartate, copper adipate, copper palmitate, copper stearate, copper caprylate, copper decanoate, copper undecylenate, copper neodecanoate, copper linoleate, copper oleate, copper borate, copper methane-sulfonate, copper sulfamate, copper acetate, copper hydroxide, copper oxide, copper oxychloride-sulfate, copper sulfate, basic copper sulfate, copper-oxine, copper 3-phenylsalicylate, copper chloride hydroxide, copper dimethyldithiocarbamate, ammonium copper sulfate, copper magnesium sulfate, copper naphthenate, copper ethanolamine, chromated copper arsenate, ammoniacal copper arsenate, ammoniacal copper zinc arsenate, ammoniacal copper borate, Bordeaux mixture, copper zinc chromate, cufraneb, cupric hydrazinium sulfate, cuprobam, nano-copper materials, copper dide-

cydimethylammonium chloride, Algimycin P11-C, Aquatrine, A&V-70, Cutrine-plus, Stocktrine II and K-Tea algicide and where appropriate the hydrates of such compounds.

Methods for preparation of salicylaldehyde benzoylhydrazones and 2-hydroxyphenylketone benzoylhydrazones from salicylaldehydes or 2-hydroxyphenyl ketones and benzoic acid hydrazides are well known in the literature. These methods are readily adaptable to the preparation of 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde and 2-hydroxyphenylketone heterocycloylhydrazones by the substitution of an appropriate heterocyclic carboxylic acid hydrazide for the benzoic acid hydrazide starting material. In addition the preparation of metal complexes of these materials is also well known (see for example Ainscough et al. *J. Inorg. Biochem.* 1999, 77, 125-133, which is expressly incorporated by reference herein). The preparation of 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde and 2-hydroxyphenylketone heterocycloylhydrazones from salicylaldehydes or 2-hydroxyphenyl ketones and a heterocyclic carboxylic acid hydrazide is also well documented (see, for example, Vergara et al. *J. Med. Chem.* 2009, 44, 4954-4959; Gupta et al. *Polyhedron* 2009, 28, 3577-3585; and Gadre et al. *Indian J. Chem., Sect. B* 2007, 46B, 653-9, which are expressly incorporated by reference herein).



Methods of preparation of the precursor hydrazides are also well known. Hydrazides can be prepared, for example, from carboxylic acids such as in Maxwell et al. *J. Med. Chem.* 1984, 27, 1565-1570 or as in Ramalakshmi et al. *Int. J. Chem. Sci.* 2008, 6, 1213-1222, which are expressly incorporated by reference herein. They may also be prepared from carboxylic esters such as in Dydio et al. *J. Org. Chem.* 2009, 74, 1525-1530 or as in Chary et al. *Sulfur Letters*, 1988, 8, 79-88, which are expressly incorporated by reference herein.

Thus, the synthesis of any 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde or 2-hydroxyphenylketone heterocycloylhydrazone of Formula I and its metal complex(es) is fully described where the starting aldehyde or ketone, and the starting heterocyclic hydrazide, acid, or ester are described or commercially available.

The hydrazones disclosed may also be in the form of pesticidally acceptable salts and hydrates.

The compounds of Formula I may, therefore, be made using well-known chemical procedures. Intermediates not specifically mentioned in this disclosure are either commercially available, may be made by routes disclosed in the chemical literature, or may be readily synthesized from commercial starting materials utilizing standard procedures.

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The following examples are presented to illustrate the various aspects of the compounds of the present disclosure and should not be construed as limitations to the claims.

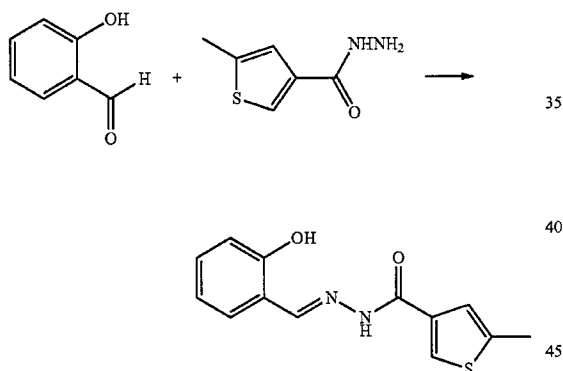
General Method A

Preparation of 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde and 2-hydroxyphenylketone heterocyclohydrazones from 2-hydroxyphenylaldehydes or 2-hydroxyphenylketones and a heterocyclic carboxylic acid hydrazide

A 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde or 2-hydroxyphenylketone is agitated together in a suitable solvent, such as ethyl alcohol (EtOH) with or without the addition of up to 10% acetic acid (HOAc), with an equimolar amount of a heterocyclic carboxylic acid hydrazide for a period of from 1 to 24 hours (h) at a temperature of from room temperature to 60° C. During the reaction or upon cooling, the product generally precipitates from solution and is isolated by filtration. In instances where the product does not readily solidify, the addition of a small amount of water generally initiates precipitation.

Example 1

Preparation of 5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylic acid [142-hydroxyphenyl]-methylidene]-hydrazide (Compound 24)



Salicylaldehyde (200 milligrams (mg), 1.62 millimoles (mmol)) and 5-methylthiophene-3-carboxylic acid hydrazide (254 mg, 1.62 mmol) were stirred together in EtOH (5 milliliters (mL)) at room temperature for 3 h. The resulting solid was isolated by filtration to yield the desired material (150 mg, 36%) as a white solid: mp 180-182° C.; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) δ 11.86 (s, 1H), 11.22 (s, 1H), 8.59 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.54 (d, J=7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.25 (m, 2H), 6.97-6.87 (m, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H); ESIMS m/z 261 ([M+H]⁺).

General Method B

Preparation of 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde and 2-hydroxyphenylketone heterocyclohydrazones from 2-hydroxyphenylaldehydes or 2-hydroxyphenylketones, a heterocyclic carboxylic acid ester, and hydrazine

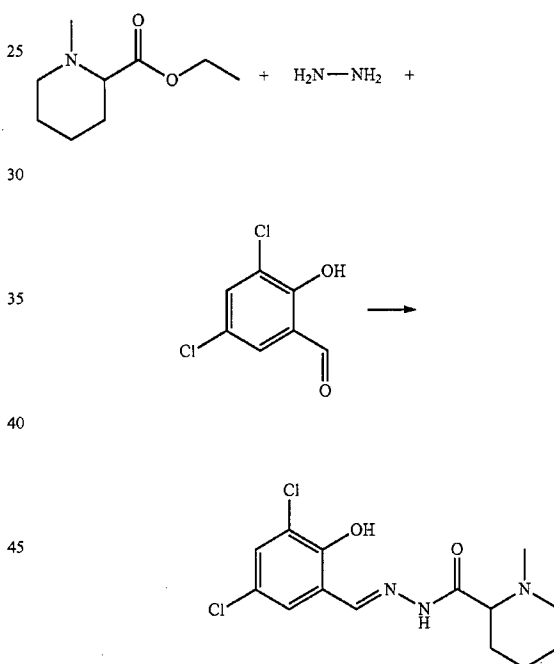
A heterocyclic carboxylic acid ester and hydrazine (3 to 20 molar equivalents) are agitated together in EtOH at 60 to 90°

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C. for a period of from 1 to 72 h. The crude reaction mixture is cooled to room temperature and evaporated to remove solvent and excess hydrazine. The residue and a 2-hydroxyphenylaldehyde or 2-hydroxyphenylketone (1 molar equivalent) are taken up in a suitable solvent, such as EtOH with or without the addition of up to 10% HOAc, and agitated for a period of from 1 to 24 h at a temperature of from room temperature to 60° C. During the reaction or upon cooling, the product generally precipitates from solution and is isolated by filtration. In instances where the product does not readily solidify, the addition of a small amount of water generally initiates precipitation.

Example 2

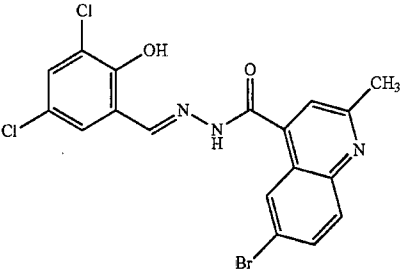
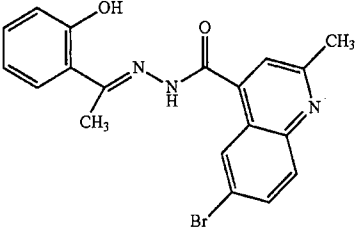
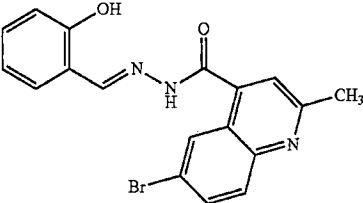
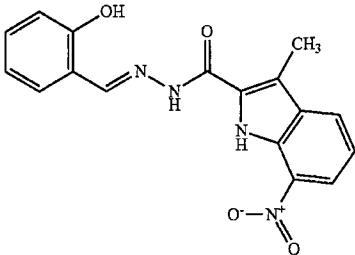
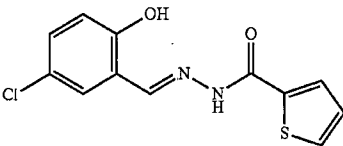
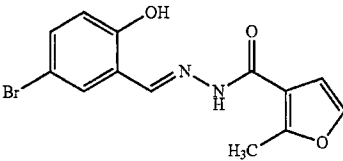
Preparation of 1-methylpiperidine-2-carboxylic acid [1-(3,5-dichloro-2-hydroxy-phenyl)-methylidene]-hydrazide (Compound 54)



Ethyl 1-methylpiperidine-2-carboxylate (100 mg, 0.584 mmol) and hydrazine (0.108 mL, 3.44 mmol) were added to EtOH (2 mL) and shaken together at 90° C. for 48 h. The reaction mixture was cooled to room temperature. The solvent and excess hydrazine were removed in vacuo.

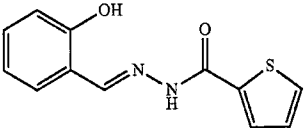
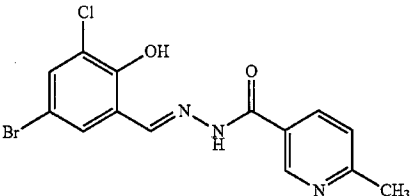
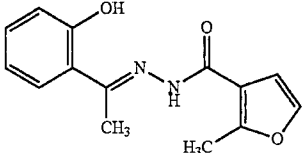
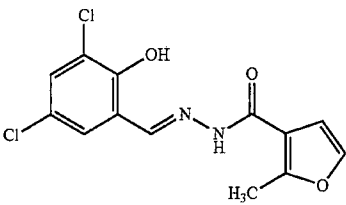
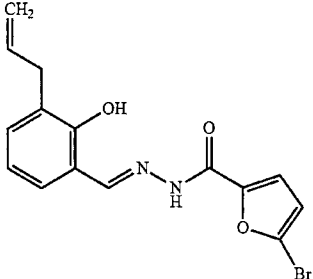
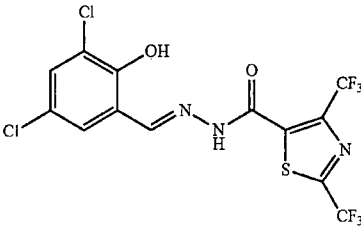
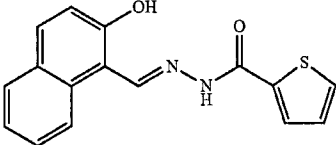
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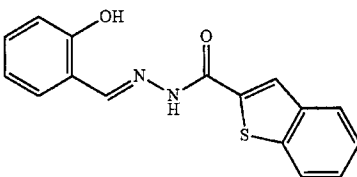
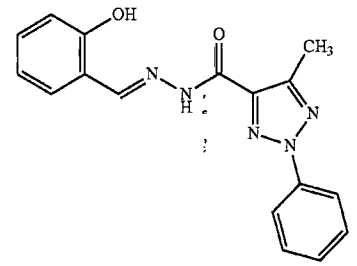
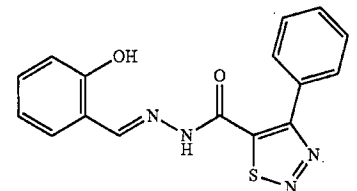
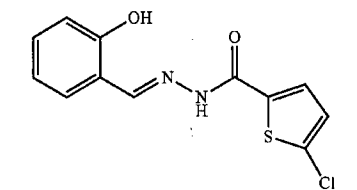
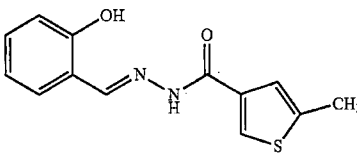
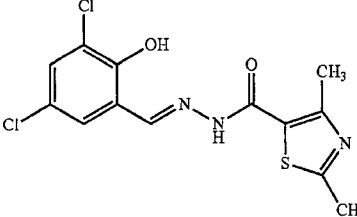
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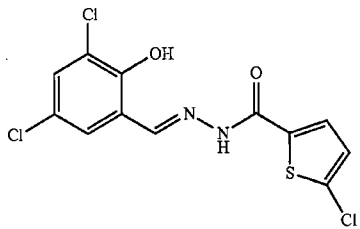
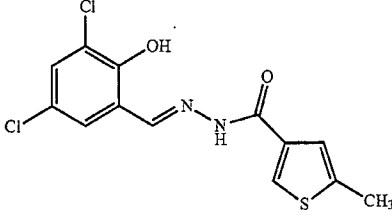
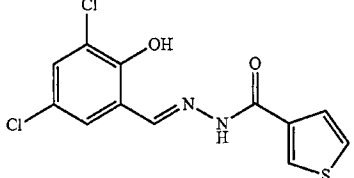
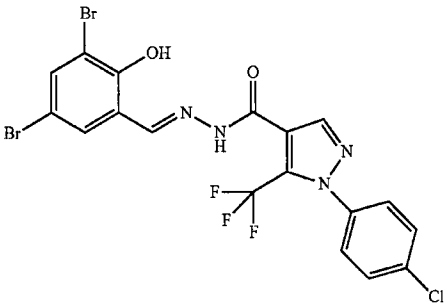
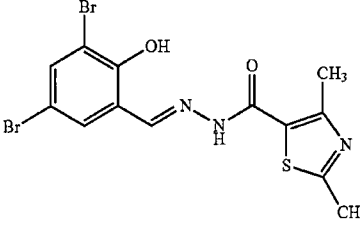
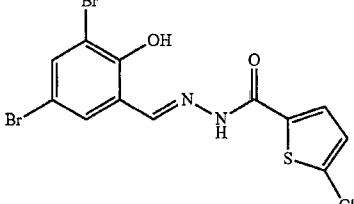
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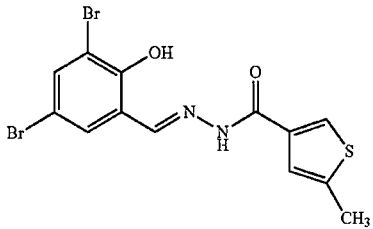
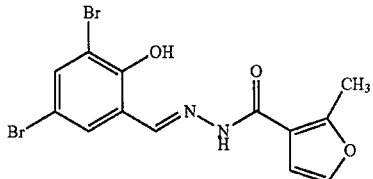
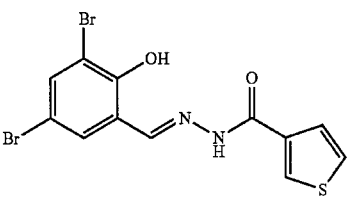
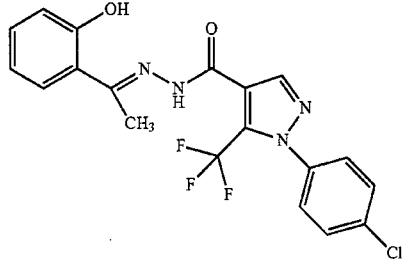
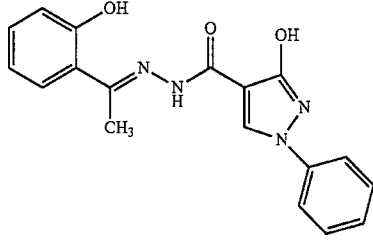
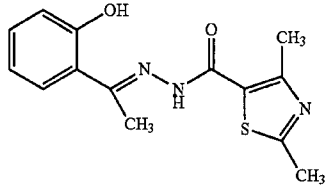
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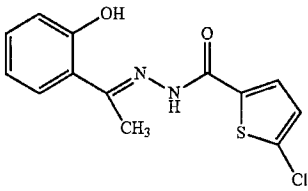
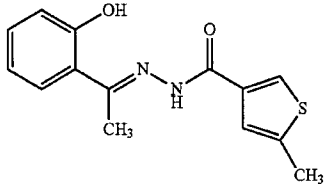
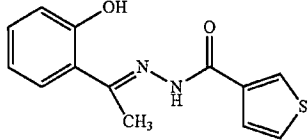
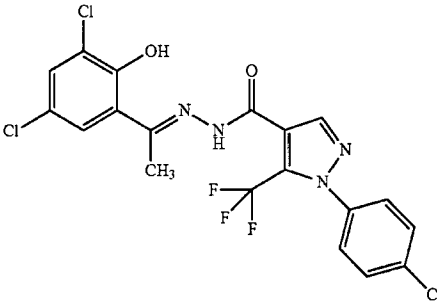
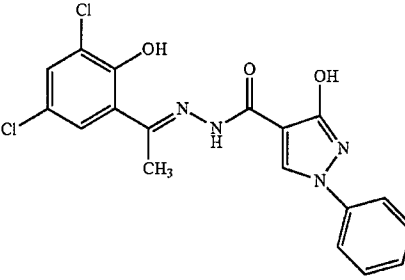
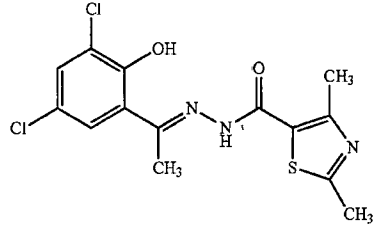
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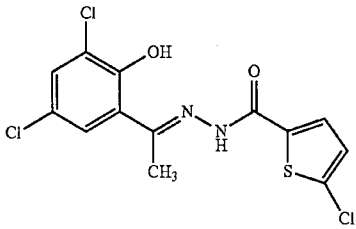
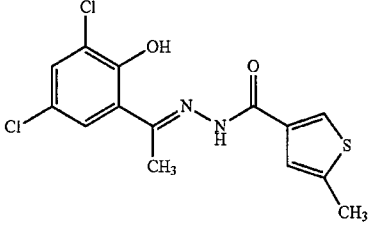
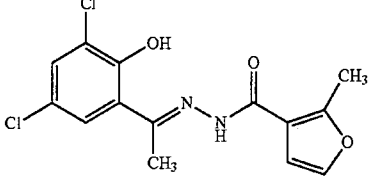
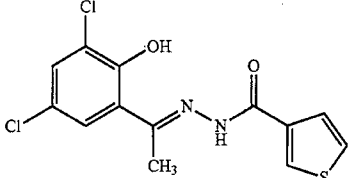
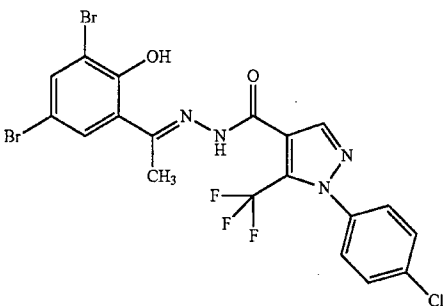
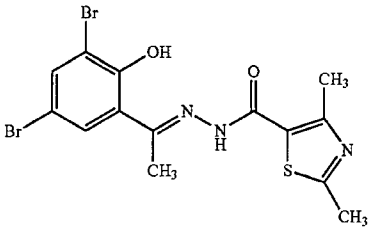
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TABLE 2

Analytical Data for Compounds in Table 1						
Compound Number	Synthesis Method	Appearance	mp (° C.)	ESIMS (+)	ESIMS (-)	¹ H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d ₆ unless otherwise stated), δ
1	A	yellow solid	265-267	454	452	12.84 (s, 1H), 12.23 (s, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 8.00-7.92 (m, 2H), 7.78 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (s, 3H)

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Analytical Data for Compounds in Table 1							
Compound Number	Synthesis Method	Appearance	mp (° C.)	ESIMS (+)	ESIMS (-)	¹ H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d ₆ unless otherwise stated), δ	
2	A	off-white solid	251-254	399	397	13.24 (s, 1H), 11.82 (s, 1H), 8.35-8.27 (m, 1H), 8.02-7.85 (m, 2H), 7.79 (s, 1H), 7.67 (dd, J = 8.0, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.31 (m, 1H), 6.98-6.90 (m, 2H), 2.76-2.68 (m, 3H), 2.48-2.41 (m, 3H)	
3	A	off-white solid	270-275	384	382	12.41 (s, 1H), 11.00 (s, 1H), 8.59 (s, 1H), 8.38 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99-7.90 (m, 2H), 7.76 (s, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 7.7, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.37-7.31 (m, 1H), 6.99-6.92 (m, 2H), 2.74-2.69 (m, 3H)	
4	A	yellow solid	296-299	339	337	12.37 (s, 1H), 11.65 (s, 1H), 11.24 (s, 1H), 8.63 (s, 1H), 8.30 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.24 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.38-7.29 (m, 2H), 6.98-6.91 (m, 2H), 2.64 (s, 3H)	
5	A	off-white solid		281	279		
6	A	off-white solid		323	321		
7	A	off-white solid		247	245		
8	A	yellow solid		369	367		
9	A	white solid		259	257		
10	A	yellow solid		313	311		
11	A	yellow solid		350	348		
12	A	yellow solid	189-190	452	450	Appears as two isomers in DMSO: 13.00 (s, 1H), 12.80 (s, 1H), 11.81 (s, 1H), 10.40 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.43 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H)	
13	A	orange solid		297	295		
14	A	pale yellow solid		299	297		
15	A	pale yellow solid	215-217	362	360	12.59 (s, 1H), 12.50 (s, 1H), 8.57 (s, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.39-7.31 (m, 2H), 7.19-7.12 (m, 1H), 4.05 (s, 3H)	
16	A	white solid	221-222	341	339	12.41 (s, 1H), 12.31 (s, 1H), 8.53 (s, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (s, 1H), 4.45 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.32 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3H)	
17	A	white solid	216-217	477	475	12.64 (s, 1H), 12.17 (s, 1H), 8.51 (s, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.73-7.60 (m, 6H)	
18	A	white solid	205-207	409	407	Appears as two isomers in DMSO: 12.26-11.98 (m, 1H), 11.02-10.00 (m, 1H), 8.62-8.37 (m, 1H), 8.36-8.18 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.66-7.49 (m, 3H), 7.36-7.20 (m, 1H), 6.98-6.82 (m, 2H)	
19	A	pale yellow solid		331	329		

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Analytical Data for Compounds in Table 1						
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20	A	pale yellow solid	220-221	297	295	Appears as two isomers in DMSO: 12.46-11.91 (m, 1H), 11.11-10.07 (m, 1H), 8.74-8.46 (m, 1H), 8.45-8.20 (m, 1H), 8.10-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.43 (m, 2H), 7.36-7.25 (m, 1H), 7.00-6.90 (m, 2H)
21	A	white solid	231-233	322	320	12.28 (s, 1H), 11.18 (s, 1H), 8.77 (s, 1H), 8.15-8.04 (m, 2H), 7.66-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.56 (dd, J = 7.6, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.53-7.47 (m, 1H), 7.36-7.29 (m, 1H), 6.97-6.91 (m, 2H), 2.60 (s, 3H)
22	A	yellow solid	191-192	325	323	Appears as two isomers in DMSO: 12.57-12.25 (m, 1H), 10.87-10.03 (m, 1H), 8.55-8.38 (m, 1H), 7.93-7.60 (m, 3H), 7.60-7.48 (m, 3H), 7.35-7.23 (m, 1H), 6.96-6.87 (m, 2H)
23	A	pale yellow solid	228-230	281		
24	A	white solid	180-182	261		11.86 (s, 1H), 11.22 (s, 1H), 8.59 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.54 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.33-7.25 (m, 2H), 6.97-6.87 (m, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H)
25	A	pale yellow solid	217-219	344		12.35 (s, 1H), 11.93 (s, 1H), 8.52 (s, 1H), 7.66 (s, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 2.60 (s, 3H)
26	A	white solid	248-250		347	12.58 (s, 1H), 12.17 (s, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H), 7.85-7.80 (m, 1H), 7.70 (s, 1H), 7.66-7.62 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.27 (m, 1H)
27	A	pale yellow solid	189-191	329		12.47 (s, 1H), 12.28 (s, 1H), 8.52 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (s, 1H)*
28	A	white solid	315-318	315		12.47 (s, 1H), 12.36 (s, 1H), 8.54 (s, 1H), 8.39-8.34 (m, 1H), 7.73-7.66 (m, 2H), 7.64-7.60 (m, 2H)
29	A	white solid	237-238	567		12.67 (s, 1H), 12.41 (s, 1H), 8.47 (s, 1H), 8.35 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 2H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.62 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H)
30	A	pale yellow solid	225-226	434		
31	A	white solid	247-248		437	12.62 (s, 1H), 12.41 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 7.87-7.81 (m, 3H), 7.31 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H)
32	A	white solid	203-205	419		12.69 (s, 1H), 12.31 (s, 1H), 8.48 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.85-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.31 (s, 1H)*
33	A	yellow solid	270-272	403		
34	A	off-white solid	236-237	405		12.68 (s, 1H), 12.39 (s, 1H), 8.50 (s, 1H), 8.36 (s, 1H), 7.86-7.79 (m, 2H), 7.74-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.62 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H)
35	A	light brown solid	201-202	423		13.10 (s, 1H), 11.60 (s, 1H), 8.37 (s, 1H), 7.70 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.67-7.57 (m, 3H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.97-6.88 (m, 2H), 2.46 (s, 3H).

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36	A	light brown solid	276-277	337		13.10 (s, 1H), 10.80 (s, 1H), 10.38 (s, 1H), 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.56-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.36 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 6.95-6.88 (m, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H)
37	A	yellow solid	202-204	290		13.15 (s, 1H), 11.16 (s, 1H), 7.61 (s, 1H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.94-6.87 (m, 2H), 2.67 (s, 3H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H)
38	A	white solid	204-205	295		13.07 (s, 1H), 11.36 (s, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.63 (s, 1H), 7.36-7.25 (m, 2H), 6.95-6.86 (m, 2H)*
39	A	off-white solid	158-160	275		13.29 (s, 1H), 11.03 (s, 1H), 8.15 (s, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.34-7.26 (m, 2H), 6.94-6.86 (m, 2H), 2.47 (s, 3H)*
40	A	pale brown solid	148-150	261		13.29 (s, 1H), 11.12 (s, 1H), 8.41 (s, 1H), 7.69 (dd, J = 5.0, 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.66-7.60 (m, 2H), 7.30 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 1H), 6.94-6.87 (m, 2H), 2.48 (s, 3H)
41	A	pale yellow solid	209-211	491		(400 MHz, CD ₃ OD) 8.18 (s, 1H), 7.63-7.58 (m, 3H), 7.55-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.46 (s, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H)
42	A	pale brown solid	269-271	405		14.22 (s, 1H), 11.00 (s, 1H), 10.37 (s, 1H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 7.93-7.88 (m, 2H), 7.71 (s, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.57-7.50 (m, 2H), 7.40-7.34 (m, 1H), 2.47 (s, 3H)
43	A	yellow solid	208-209	358		14.27 (s, 1H), 11.44 (s, 1H), 7.69-7.65 (m, 1H), 7.64 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H)
44	A	yellow solid	221-224	363		14.15 (s, 1H), 11.58 (s, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.67 (s, 1H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H)*
45	A	off-white solid	218-220	343		(400 MHz, DMSO + D ₂ O) 8.18 (s, 1H), 7.67 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 2.50 (s, 3H), 2.49 (s, 3H)
46	A	yellow solid	212-215	327		
47	A	yellow solid	230-232	329		8.36 (s, 1H), 7.86 (s, 1H), 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.71 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 2.47 (s, 3H)
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49	A	pale yellow solid	221-223	448		14.40 (s, 1H), 11.45 (s, 1H), 7.85-7.83 (m, 1H), 7.81-7.79 (m, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.45 (s, 3H)
50	A	white solid	253-255		451	14.29 (s, 1H), 11.59 (s, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.32 (d, J = 3.9 Hz, 1H)*

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Analytical Data for Compounds in Table 1						
Compound Number	Synthesis Method	Appearance	mp (° C.)	ESIMS (+)	ESIMS (-)	¹ H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d ₆ unless otherwise stated), δ
51	A	white solid	237-239	433		(400 MHz, CDCl ₃) 13.46 (s, 1H), 8.76 (s, 1H), 7.77 (s, 1H), 7.68 (d, J = 2.1 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (d, J = 2.2 Hz, 1H), 7.12 (s, 1H), 2.53 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H)
52	A	white solid	201-204	417		14.58 (s, 1H), 11.08 (s, 1H), 7.85-7.81 (m, 1H), 7.81-7.78 (m, 1H), 7.66-7.63 (m, 1H), 7.04 (s, 1H), 2.58 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H)
53	A	pale yellow solid	251-253	419		14.53 (s, 1H), 11.36 (s, 1H), 8.46 (s, 1H), 7.85-7.82 (m, 1H), 7.82-7.79 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.68 (m, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 4.9 Hz, 1H)*
54	B	pale yellow solid	107-110	330	328	12.02 (s, 2H), 8.47 (s, 1H), 7.60 (d, J = 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 2.95-2.86 (m, 1H), 2.64-2.56 (m, 1H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 2.09-1.96 (m, 1H), 1.81-1.68 (m, 2H), 1.66-1.49 (m, 3H), 1.31-1.17 (m, 1H)

*Methyl resonance was obscured by the solvent resonance.

Example 3

Effect of Copper on Fungitoxicity of Hydrazones Towards *Leptosphaeria nodorum*

In vitro fungitoxicity assays against *Leptosphaeria nodorum* (LEPTNO) were conducted using the liquid growth medium described by Coursen and Sisler (*American Journal of Botany* 1960, 47, 541-549) except that copper micronutrient, normally included as CuSO₄, was omitted. The medium, termed "copper-minus", was prepared by dissolving 10 g glucose, 1.5 g K₂HPO₄, 2 g KH₂PO₄ and 1 g (NH₄)₂SO₄ in 1 liter of deionized water and treating the solution with 0.5 g Chelex 100 resin (Bio-Rad Analytical grade, 50-100 mesh, sodium form, cat#142-2822) by stirring at room temperature for 1 h. MgSO₄·7H₂O (0.5 g) was added, and stirring was continued for a further hour. Trace elements (minus CuSO₄), and vitamins described by Coursen and Sisler were added from concentrated stock solutions and the entire medium was sterilized by filtration. Medium containing copper was prepared by adding CuCl₂·2H₂O to the copper-minus medium at 20 μM. Test compounds were dissolved in dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) at 10 ng/mL and 1 μL, aliquots were added to two wells of flat-bottomed 96-well microtiter plates. Copper-minus medium (100 μL) was added to one of the wells and copper-plus medium to the second well. Control wells, included for each medium, received 1 μL DMSO and 100 μL of medium.

LEPTNO was grown on potato dextrose agar in 9 cm diameter petri dishes for 7 days (d). Sterile deionized water (20 mL) was added to a culture plate and spores suspended by scraping the surface gently with a sterile plastic loop. The resulting suspension was filtered through a double layer of sterile cheesecloth. Filtered spore suspension (5 mL) was centrifuged in a bench centrifuge at 2000 rpm for 2 min. The resulting spore pellet was resuspended in 10 mL sterile deionized water (which had been treated with Chelex 100 resin using 0.5 g resin per liter of water by stirring at room tem-

perature for 1 h), and recentrifuged. The spores were resuspended in copper-minus medium, and the suspension adjusted to 2×10⁵ spores per mL. Microtiter plates were inoculated with 100 μL of this spore suspension and the plates incubated at 25° C. for 72 h before assessing fungal growth by measuring light scattering in a NepheloStar plate reader. Growth inhibition was determined by comparing growth in the presence of test compound with growth in control wells lacking test compound.

Results for growth inhibition by test compounds at 0.05 μg/mL in copper-plus medium (% Inhn Plus Copper Observed) were compared with predicted values (% Inhn Plus Copper Predicted) that were calculated using the formula set forth by S. R. Colby in *Weeds* 1967, 15, 20-22 based on results obtained for the same compounds in copper-minus medium (% Inhn Minus Copper Observed) and the inhibition attributed to copper chloride alone, as determined by comparing growth in copper-minus and copper-plus media without any test compound across experiments. Data are presented in Table 3. Results illustrate that hydrazones and copper produce a synergistic fungitoxic effect towards LEPTNO.

Example 4

Efficacy of Hydrazones in Mixture with Copper Against Tomato Blight (*Phytophthora infestans*)

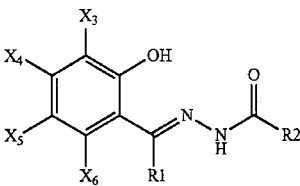
Hydrazone compounds at 50 ppm in combination with 50 μM CuCl₂·2H₂O were evaluated as prophylactic treatments applied 24 h before inoculation. Efficacy was determined based on percentage of disease control against tomato late blight (TLB), causal agent *Phytophthora infestans*. Treatments were arranged in a completely randomized design with 3 repetitions each. A pot with one tomato plant was considered as an experimental unit. Hydrazones were dissolved in acetone and re-suspended in water containing 0.01% Triton® X-100, 0.1% Atlox 4913 and 50 μM CuCl₂·2H₂O to a final concentration of 10% acetone. All treatments were applied to

run off 24 h before inoculation using a spin-table sprayer. Inoculation with an aqueous suspension of *P. infestans* sporangia was performed using a Delta painting sprayer. Percentage of disease control was determined 7 d after inoculation. Data are presented in Table 3, and illustrate the efficacy of hydrazones in mixture with copper for control of tomato late blight.

TABLE 3

Biological Data for Compounds in Table 1				
Compound Number	LEPTNO % Inhn. Minus Copper Observed	LEPTNO % Inhn. Plus Copper Observed	LEPTNO % Inhn. Plus Copper Predicted	TLB % control
1	2.5	73.8	11.6	7
2	0	83.4	9.3	36
3	0	72.9	9.3	25
4	11.3	91.4	19.6	4
5	0	95.8	9.3	54
6	2.2	96.7	11.3	75
7	0	87.3	9.3	38
8	0	60.9	9.3	0
9	3.9	97	12.8	60
10	8.7	98.1	17.2	67
11	12.9	95.1	21	31
12	49.8	94.7	54.4	57
13	0.9	86.4	10.1	62
14	0	56.2	9.3	52
15	16.3	98.1	24	12
16	3.5	88	12.5	39
17	15.8	92.6	23.6	69
18	0	92.5	9.3	7
19	0	92.1	9.3	44
20	4.2	95.4	13.1	18
21	0	93.9	9.3	16
22	9.6	77.9	18	56
23	0	96.3	9.3	32
24	2.9	94.8	11.9	56
25	0	81.9	9.3	71
26	2.7	97.5	11.7	92
27	5.4	97.3	14.2	78
28	4.4	97.6	13.3	80
29	7.8	57.6	16.4	47
30	1	71.2	10.2	49
31	4.9	97.8	13.7	88
32	0	97.6	9.3	69
33	9.1	97.8	17.5	66
34	0	97.9	9.3	80
35	4.3	94.8	13.2	59
36	9.2	92.5	17.6	66
37	0	94.2	9.3	81
38	0	98	9.3	56
39	0	97.3	9.3	66
40	0	96.8	9.3	80
41	0	71.3	9.3	36
42	3.5	91.2	12.4	2
43	0	94.3	9.3	66
44	2	96.9	11.1	68
45	3.7	98.3	12.6	83
46	0	97.2	9.3	69
47	0	98.1	9.3	81
48	4.3	56	13.2	19
49	2.6	89.1	11.6	61
50	0	97.5	9.3	85
51	2.2	98	11.3	88
52	0	97.7	9.3	66
53	7.6	97.6	16.2	73
54	0	91	9.3	22
CuCl ₂ 10 μM	9.3 ± 1.6			

The invention claimed is:
1. A synergistic mixture for controlling the growth of fungi, the mixture comprising:
a source of copper; and
a hydrazone compound of Formula I:



Formula I

wherein R₁ is H, or C₁-C₆ alkyl;
R₂ is a substituted or unsubstituted 5- or 6-membered heteroaromatic, and a 5- or 6-membered saturated, or partially saturated heterocyclic ring whose members consist of carbon and at least one other atom chosen from O, N, or S which may optionally be fused with a second substituted or unsubstituted 5- or 6-membered aromatic, saturated, or partially saturated ring whose members consist of carbon or whose members consist of carbon and one or more other atoms chosen from O, N, or S;
wherein said R₂ is selected from unsubstituted thiophene (thienyl); halogen substituted thiophene; alkyl substituted thiophene; unsubstituted furyl; halogen substituted furyl; alkyl substituted pyridyl; haloalkyl or alkyl substituted 1,3-thiazolyl; N-alkyl indolyl; hydroxyl, alkyl or haloalkyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl; alkyl plus phenyl substituted 1,2,3-triazolyl; phenyl substituted 1,2,3-thiadiazolyl; alkyl substituted piperidinyl; alkyl plus halogen substituted quinolinonyl;
and
X₃ is H, halogen, or C₂-C₆ alkenyl;
X₄ is H;
X₅ is H or halogen;
X₆ is H;
with the proviso that X₅ and X₆ may form a 6-membered aromatic fused ring consisting of carbon and hydrogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said unsubstituted thiophene(thienyl) then X₅ is halogen or X₅ and X₆ form the 6-membered aromatic ring whose ring members consist of carbon or X₃, X₄, X₅, X₆, R₁ are hydrogen or then X₃ and X₅ are halogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said halogen substituted thiophene then X₃, X₄, X₅, and X₆ are hydrogen, and R₁ is selected from hydrogen and methyl or then X₃ and X₅ are halogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said alkyl substituted thiophene then X₃, X₄, X₅, and X₆ are hydrogen, and R₁ is selected from hydrogen and methyl or then X₃ and X₅ are halogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said unsubstituted furyl then X₅ is halogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said alkyl substituted furyl then X₅ is halogen or hydrogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said halogen substituted furyl then X₃ is alkenyl;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said alkyl substituted pyridyl then X₃ and X₅ are halogen;
with the proviso that when said R₂ is said haloalkyl or alkyl substituted 1,3-thiazole then X₃ and X₅ are halogen;

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with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl substituted 1,3-thiazole then X3, X4, X5 and X6 are hydrogen and R1 is alkyl;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said N-alkyl indolyl then X5 is halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said hydroxyl, alkyl or haloalkyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said haloalkyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl then X3, X4, X5 and X6 are hydrogen and R1 is hydrogen or alkyl;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said hydroxyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl then X3, X4, X5 and X6 are hydrogen and R1 is alkyl;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl plus phenyl substituted 1,2,3-triazolyl then X3, X4, X5, X6 and R1 are hydrogen;

with the proviso that when R2 is said phenyl substituted 1,2,3-thiadiazolyl then X3, X4, X5, X6 and R1 are hydrogen;

with the proviso that when R2 is said N-alkyl substituted piperidinyl then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when R2 is said alkyl plus halogen substituted quinolinonyl then X4 and X6 are hydrogen; and

wherein the copper and said compound of Formula I are present in synergistically effective amounts to control the growth of fungi.

2. The synergistic mixture of claim 1, wherein a growth inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula 1 in mixture with copper is provided as a mixture in which the total molar ratio of copper to the compound of Formula I is 1:1.

3. The synergistic mixture of claim 1, wherein a growth inhibiting amount of a compound of Formula 1 is provided as an isolated hydrazone-copper complex in which the molar ratio of the copper to the compound of Formula I ranges from 1:1 to 1:2.

4. The synergistic mixture of claim 1, wherein the compound of Formula 1 to be combined with copper is complexed with a metal.

5. The synergistic mixture of claim 4, wherein the metal complexed with the compound of Formula I is selected from the group consisting of Cu⁺, Cu²⁺, Fe²⁺, Fe³⁺, Zn²⁺, and Mn²⁺.

6. The synergistic mixture of claim 1, wherein the source of copper is selected from the group consisting of: copper oxychloride, copper octanoate, copper ammonium carbonate, copper arsenate, copper oxysulfate, copper formate, copper propionate, copper oxyacetate, copper citrate, copper chloride, copper diammonium chloride, copper nitrate, copper carbonate, copper phosphate, copper pyrophosphate, copper disodium EDTA, copper diammonium EDTA, copper oxalate, copper tartrate, copper gluconate, copper glycinate, copper glutamate, copper aspartate, copper adipate, copper palmitate, copper stearate, copper caprylate, copper decanoate, copper undecylenate, copper neodecanoate, copper linoleate, copper oleate, copper borate, copper methane-sulfonate, copper sulfamate, copper acetate, copper hydroxide, copper oxide, copper oxychloride-sulfate, copper sulfate, basic copper sulfate, copper-oxine, copper 3-phenylsalicylate, copper chloride hydroxide, copper dimethyldithiocarbamate, ammonium copper sulfate, copper magnesium sulfate, copper naphthenate, copper ethanolamine, chromated copper arsenate, ammoniacal copper arsenate, ammoniacal copper zinc arsenate, ammoniacal copper borate, Bordeaux mixture, copper zinc chromate, cufraneb, cupric hydrazinium sulfate, cuprobam, nano-copper materials, and copper dide-

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cyldimethylammonium chloride Algimycin P11-C, Aquatrine, A&V-70, Cutrine-plus, Stocktrine II and K-Tea algicide.

7. The synergistic mixture of claim 1, wherein X₃ is H or a halogen and X₅ is a halogen.

8. The synergistic mixture of claim 7, wherein, X₃ is Cl or Br and X₄ is H.

9. The synergistic mixture of claim 8, wherein, R₁ is H or CH₃.

10. The synergistic mixture of claim 9, wherein, R₂ is said substituted or unsubstituted 5-membered heterocyclic ring.

11. The synergistic mixture of claim 10, wherein, R₂ is the substituted furan or thiophene(thienyl) ring.

12. The synergistic mixture of claim 11, wherein, R₂ is the substituted or unsubstituted thiazole ring.

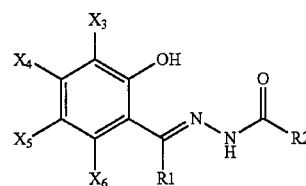
13. The synergistic mixture of claim 1, wherein X₅ and X₆ do not form the 6-membered aromatic fused ring consisting of carbon and hydrogen.

14. A method for controlling the growth of fungi, comprising the steps of:

contacting a fungi with a mixture of:

a source of copper; and

a hydrazone compound of Formula I:



Formula I

wherein R₁ is H, or C₁-C₆ alkyl;

R₂ is a substituted or unsubstituted 5- or 6-membered heteroaromatic, and a 5- or 6-membered saturated, or partially saturated heterocyclic ring whose members consist of carbon and at least one other atom chosen from O, N, or S which may optionally be fused with a second substituted or unsubstituted 5- or 6-membered aromatic, saturated, or partially saturated ring whose members consist of carbon or whose members consist of carbon and one or more other atoms chosen from O, N, or S;

wherein said R₂ is selected from unsubstituted thiophene (thienyl); halogen substituted thiophene; alkyl substituted thiophene; unsubstituted furyl; halogen substituted furyl; alkyl substituted pyridyl; haloalkyl or alkyl substituted 1,3-thiazolyl; N-alkyl indolyl; hydroxyl, alkyl or haloalkyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl; alkyl plus phenyl substituted 1,2,3-triazolyl; phenyl substituted 1,2,3-thiadiazolyl; alkyl substituted piperidinyl; alkyl plus halogen substituted quinolinonyl;

X₃ is H, halogen, or C₂-C₆ alkenyl;

X₄ is H;

X₅ is H or halogen;

X₆ is H; and

with the proviso that X₅ and X₆ may form a 6-membered aromatic fused ring consisting of carbon and hydrogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said unsubstituted thiophene(thienyl) then X5 is halogen or X5 and X6 form the 6-membered aromatic ring whose ring members consist of carbon or X3, X4, X5, X6, R1 are hydrogen or then X3 and X5 are halogen;

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with the proviso that when said R2 is said halogen substituted thiophene then X3, X4, X5, and X6 are hydrogen, and R1 is selected from hydrogen and methyl or then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl substituted thiophene then X3, X4, X5, and X6 are hydrogen, and R1 is selected from hydrogen and methyl or then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said unsubstituted furyl then X5 is halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl substituted furyl then X5 is halogen or hydrogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said halogen substituted furyl then X3 is alkenyl,

with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl substituted pyridyl then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said haloalkyl or alkyl substituted 1,3-thiazole then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl substituted 1,3-thiazole then X3, X4, X5 and X6 are hydrogen and R1 is alkyl;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said N-alkyl indolyl then X5 is halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said hydroxyl, alkyl or haloalkyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said haloalkyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl then X3, X4, X5 and X6 are hydrogen and R1 is hydrogen or alkyl;

with the proviso that when said R2 is said hydroxyl substituted 1,2-diazolyl then X3, X4, X5 and X6 are hydrogen and R1 is alkyl;

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with the proviso that when said R2 is said alkyl plus phenyl substituted 1,2,3-triazolyl then X3, X4, X5, X6 and R1 are hydrogen;

with the proviso that when R2 is said phenyl substituted 1,2,3-thiadiazolyl then X3, X4, X5, X6 and R1 are hydrogen;

with the proviso that when R2 is said N-alkyl substituted piperidinyl then X3 and X5 are halogen;

with the proviso that when R2 is said alkyl plus halogen substituted quinolinonyl then X4 and X6 are hydrogen; and

wherein the copper and said compound of Formula I act synergistically to control the growth of fungi.

15 15. The method according to claim 14, wherein said fungi are plant pathogens.

16. The method according to claim 14 wherein the fungi are selected from the group consisting of: Ascomycete, Basidiomycete, Oomycete, and Deuteromycetei.

20 17. The method according to claim 16, wherein said fungi are selected from the group consisting of *Phytophthora* species, *Plasmopara viticola*, *Pseudoperonospora cubensis*, *Pythium* species, *Pyricularia oryzae*, *Colletotrichum* species, *Helminthosporium* species, *Alternaria* species, *Septoria nodorum*, *Leptosphaeria nodorum*, *Ustilago maydis*, *Erysiphe graminis*, *Puccinia* species, *Sclerotinia* species, *Sphaerotheca fuliginea*, *Cercospora* species, *Rhizoctonia* species, *Uncinula necator*, *Septoria tritici* and *Podosphaera leucotricha*.

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