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[54] **ARYL IMIDATE ACTIVATED  
POLYALKYLENE OXIDES**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

Water-soluble aryl imidate activated polyalkylene oxides having improved hydrolytic stability and conjugates of the aryl imidate activated polyalkylene oxides with biologically active nucleophiles are disclosed. Methods of preparing the activated polyalkylene oxides and conjugates thereof are also disclosed.

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