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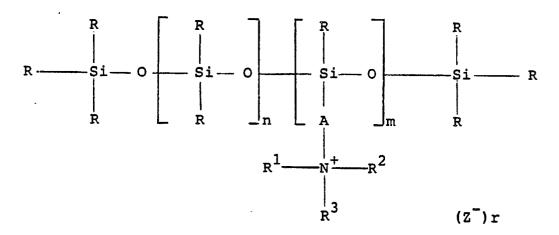
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64 Method of conditioning fabrics.

A method of conditioning fabrics comprises contacting the fabrics in an aqueous environment with a fabric conditioning agent. The fabric conditioning agent comprises an organofunctional polyalkyl siloxane having the general formula (I)



(I)

wherein each R is independently an alkyl group containing 1 to 4 carbon atoms, each of R^1 , R^2 , and R^3 is independently an alkyl group containing 1 to 24 carbon atoms or R^3 is the group (CH_2) $_q$ COO^- where q is O to 10, A is a divalent hydrocarbon group interrupted by or substituted with one or more oxygen containing groups, Z is a monovalent anion or the equivalent thereof, n and m are positive integers and r is



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