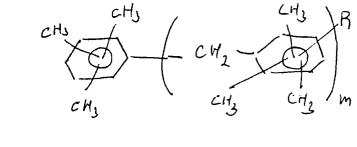
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(b) A process for producing a graphite fiber is disclosed, which is characterized by using, as a starting material, an optically anisotropic pitch prepared from a compound having a specific chemical structure as represented by formula (I). The resulting graphite fiber shows a highly developed graphite structure and has excellent electrical conductivity.



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