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PROCESSES FOR THE PRODUCTION OF POLYACRYLAMIDE PARTICLES

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VERFAHREN ZUR HERSTELLUNG VON POLYACRYLAMID-TEILCHEN

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[origin: WO9729136A1] Processes are provided for production of substantially dry polyacrylamide powder in which levels of residual acrylamide monomer are significantly reduced. These processes are particularly suitable for use on an industrial or plant scale. One process comprises providing aqueous polyacrylamide gel particles contaminated with acrylamide monomer, applying amidase enzyme to the aqueous gel particles whilst they are at a temperature of from 50 to 95 DEG C and substantially immediately passing the aqueous gel particles to a drying stage and subjecting them in that stage to a temperature at least 60 DEG C. The final levels of residual acrylamide can be even further reduced with the introduction of a short holding stage of not more than 30 minutes at a temperature of 20 to 70 DEG C before passing the particles to drying.

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