

Title (en)  
METHOD FOR PRODUCING SEED CRYSTAL OF COBALT POWDER

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VERFAHREN ZUM HERSTELLEN EINES IMPFKRISTALLS AUS KOBALTPULVER

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PROCÉDÉ DE PRODUCTION DE CRISTAL DE GERME DE COBALT

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP3369499A1] Provided is a production method for obtaining cobalt powder efficiently by the way for increasing reduction reaction efficiency to produce the cobalt powder from a solution containing a cobalt ammine sulfate complex. The method for producing seed crystals of cobalt powder, sequentially including: a complexing step of adding ammonia, an ammonia compound solution, or both of ammonia and an ammonia compound solution to a cobalt sulfate solution to obtain a solution containing a cobalt ammine sulfate complex; a mixing step of adding a solid to the solution containing the cobalt ammine sulfate complex obtained in the complexing step to form a mixture slurry; a reduction and precipitation step of charging a reaction vessel with the mixture slurry obtained in the mixing step, blowing hydrogen gas into the reaction vessel and reducing cobalt contained in the mixture slurry to obtain a cobalt powder slurry containing cobalt precipitate with a cobalt component precipitated on the surface of the solid as cobalt powder; and a solid-liquid separation step of performing solid-liquid separation on the cobalt powder slurry obtained in the reduction and precipitation step to obtain cobalt precipitate and a solution after reduction.

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