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(57) Abstract: The invention refers to a process for rejuvenating a hydrotreating catalyst comprising a group VIB hydrogenation metal and/or a group VIII hydrogenation metal, which comprises the steps of: (a) regenerating the catalyst by contacting said catalyst with an oxygen containing gas at a temperature from about 300°C to 550°C to obtain a regenerated carbon-reduced catalyst, (b) im-
pregnating the regenerated carbon-reduced catalyst with a solution which consists of a mixture of water and citric acid, (c) aging the
impregnated catalyst for at least 6 hours and (d) drying the aged catalyst. The invention also refers to the rejuvenated catalyst ob-
tained and its use for hydrotreating hydrocarbon feedstocks.



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