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POROUS POLYMER PARTICLES

Porous polyvinylarene particles having a apparent density d_0 of 600 to 200 kg/m³, which particles contain a nucleating agent and 2.0% by weight or less, based on the amount of polyvinylarene, of a volatile organic blowing agent. The invention also relates to a process for the preparation of these particles as well as to the use of these particles in the preparation of expanded particles and foamed articles.