

(57) Abstract

The object of the invention is a new method for the purification of 2,6-diisopropyl phenol (propofol). The invention is characterized in that the raw product obtained from the alkylation of propene with phenol is crystallized at a temperature where propofol crystallizes but the isomers and other phenol derivatives formed in the reaction are still in liquid form, i.e. at a temperature of -25 to +18 °C, especially at -20 to -10 °C, without a solvent or using a suitable solvent, such as hexane or petrol ether.

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