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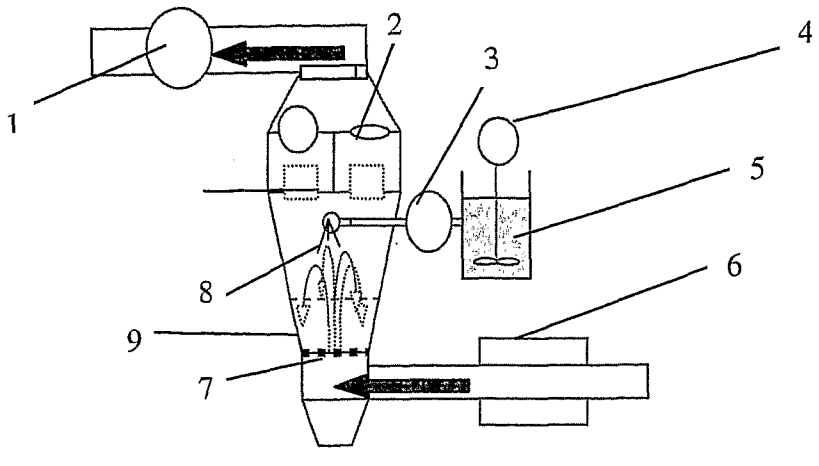
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(57) Abstract: The invention relates to novel solid formulations comprising as pharmaceutically active compound pimobendan and to processes for producing such solid formulations. The invention furthermore relates to a method for manufacturing a medicament for the prevention and/or treatment of congestive heart failure, wherein the solid formulations according to the invention are used.