

ABSTRACT

METHOD FOR PREPARING POLYPHENYLENE ETHER

5 This disclosure aims to provide a method for preparing polyphenylene
ether, which is capable of sufficiently suppressing foaming in an early period
of oxidative polymerization, and improving productivity per volume unit of
reactor. The method for preparing polyphenylene ether according to this
disclosure has a polymerization process, in which an oxygen-containing gas is
10 passed through a polymerization solution prepared by adding a phenolic
compound, an aromatic solvent and a catalyst into a previously prepared
polyphenylene ether, to thereby subject the phenolic compound to oxidative
polymerization.