

Process for separating off maleic anhydride from mixtures comprising maleic anhydride by stripping

Abstract

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The invention relates to a process for separating off maleic anhydride from a gas stream comprising maleic anhydride, in which

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a) the gas stream comprising maleic anhydride is brought into contact with a liquid absorbent phase comprising at least one high-boiling inert absorption medium for maleic anhydride and

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b) maleic anhydride is separated off from the resulting liquid absorbate phase by stripping with a hydrogen-comprising gas as stripping medium in a column,

wherein the stripping medium is fed in at two points on the column which are at least one theoretical plate apart.