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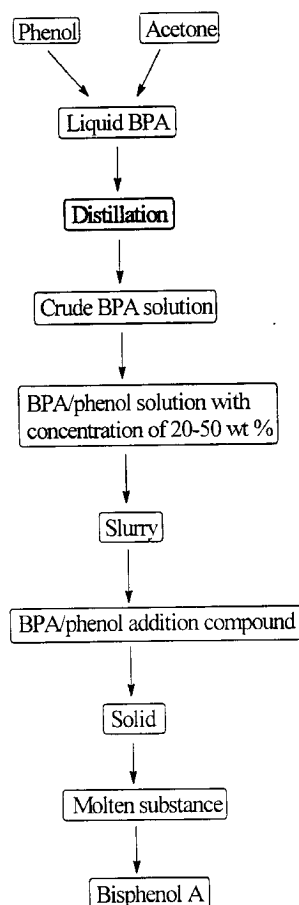
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[57] ABSTRACT

A phenol and a ketone are reacted to form bisphenol, and the liquid bisphenol obtained or a mixed solution of said solution and a phenol is filtered through a calcined metal filter to obtain bisphenol which makes it possible to efficiently obtain bisphenol which either does not contain fine particulate impurities or contains such impurities only in minute amounts, and a method for manufacturing polycarbonate using bisphenol obtained by this method. The filtration grade of the calcined metal filter should be 1.0 μ m or less. After filtering, the calcined metal filter can be backwashed or chemically washed and then reused. The bisphenol should preferably be bisphenol A.

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(a) in presence of acidic catalyst

(b) removal of catalyst

(removal of low boiling substances, such as unreacted acetone and water)

(c) concentration adjustment by removal or addition of phenol

(d) cooling (precipitation of BPA/phenol addition compound)

(e) solid-liquid separation

(f) heating/melting

(g) removal of phenol

(h) pelletization