

[54] **PROTEIN FIBER FORMING**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A process of continuously forming tender textured protein structures is disclosed. The structures are formed from an aqueous slurry of a proteinaceous material having a solids content of up to about 35 percent by weight. The proteinaceous solids should be of a fairly high purity. The proteinaceous slurry is formed into textured filaments or fibers by continuously heating the slurry under pressure and cooling the slurry. The texture of the protein structures can be readily controlled by the process conditions, starting material, or reagents used in the process.

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