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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A method for preparing a rare earth permanent magnet material comprises the steps of: disposing a powder comprising one or more members selected from an oxide of R^2, a fluoride of R^3, and an oxyfluoride of R^4 wherein R^2, R^3 and R^4 each are one or more elements selected from among rare earth elements inclusive of Y and Sc on a sintered magnet form of a R^1—Fe—B composition wherein R^1 is one or more elements selected from among rare earth elements inclusive of Y and Sc, and then heat treating the magnet form and the powder at a temperature equal to or below the sintering temperature of the magnet in vacuum or in an inert gas. The result high performance, compact or thin permanent magnet has a high remanence and coercivity at a high productivity.

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