baking

in carbon chemistry

The process in which the carbonaceous binder, usually coal tar pitch or petroleum pitch, as part of a shaped carbon mix is converted to carbon yielding a rigid carbon body by the slow application of heat. The process can take as little as 14 days in coarse-grained, electrothermic grades (low binder level) and as long as 36 days in ultra-fine-grained, speciality grades (high binder level). The final baking temperature can be in the range of $1100 - 1500 \, \text{K}$, depending on the grade.

Source:

PAC, 1995, 67, 473 (Recommended terminology for the description of carbon as a solid (IUPAC Recommendations 1995)) on page 477