CPC    COOPERATIVE PATENT CLASSIFICATION

C    CHEMISTRY; METALLURGY
      (NOTES omitted)

CHEMISTRY

C06    EXPLOSIVES; MATCHES

C06B   EXPLOSIVES OR THERMIC COMPOSITIONS (blasting F42D); MANUFACTURE THEREOF; USE OF SINGLE SUBSTANCES AS EXPLOSIVES (compounds in general C01, C07 or C08; { demolition agents based on cementitious or like materials C04B 41/0009 })

NOTES
1. This subclass covers:
   • compositions which are:
     a. explosive: compositions included are those containing both a fuel and sufficient oxidiser so that, upon initiation, they are capable of undergoing a chemical change of a relatively high rate of speed, resulting in the production of usable force for blasting, firearms, propelling missiles, or the like;
     b. thermic: compositions included have
        i. a consumable fuel component which consists of any element which is a metal, B, Si, Se or Te, or mixtures, intercompounds, or hydrides thereof; and
        ii. in combination an oxidant component which is either a metal oxide or a salt (organic or inorganic) capable of yielding a metal oxide on decomposition;
     c. fuels for rocket engines and intended for reaction with an oxidant, excluding air, in order to provide thrust for motive power purposes;
     d. for use in affecting the explosion environment, e.g. for neutralising the poisonous gases of explosives, for cooling the explosion gases, or the like;
     • methods or apparatus for preparing or treating such compositions not otherwise provided for;
     • methods of using single substances as explosives.
2. In this subclass, the following term is used with the meaning indicated:
   • "nitrated" covers compounds having a nitro group or a nitrate ester group.
3. Methods or apparatus for preparing or treating such compositions are classified according to the particular components of the compositions.
4. In this subclass, the words "based on", with reference to explosive compositions, refer to the explosive ingredient present in the largest proportion by weight
5. In the absence of an indication to the contrary a composition is classified in the last place that provides for an ingredient

21/00   Apparatus or methods for working-up explosives, e.g. forming, cutting, drying

NOTE
In the absence of an indication to the contrary a process is classified in the last appropriate place, e.g. granulation by extrusion and chopping C06B 21/0075

21/0008 . . [Compounding the ingredient]
21/0016 . . {the ingredient being nitrocellulose or oranitro cellulose based propellant; Working up; gelatinising; stabilising (stabilising of explosives in general C06B 21/0091)}
21/0025 . . {the ingredient being a polymer bonded explosive or thermic component}
21/0033 . . {Shaping the mixture}
21/0041 . . {by compression}
21/005 . . {By a process involving melting at least part of the ingredients}
21/0058 . . {by casting a curable composition, e.g. of the plastisol type}
21/0066 . . {by granulation, e.g. flaking}

21/0075 . . {by extrusion}
21/0083 . . [Treatment of solid structures, e.g. for coating or impregnating with a modifier (compositions therefor C06B 23/00)]
21/0091 . . [Elimination of undesirable or temporary components of an intermediate or finished product, e.g. making porous or low density products, purifying, stabilising, drying; Deactivating; Reclaiming; (porous inert particles or chemicals compounded for these purposes C06B 23/00)]

23/00   Compositions characterised by non-explosive or non-thermic constituents { (in combination with specific explosives C06B 25/20, C06B 25/26, C06B 29/04, C06B 29/08, C06B 31/06, C06B 31/40, C06B 33/02)}

23/001 . . {Fillers, gelling and thickening agents (e.g. fibres), absorbents for nitroglycerine (binders, plasticisers for propellants C06B 45/10); crosslinking or curing agents C06B 45/10)}
23/002 . . {Sensitisers or density reducing agents, foam stabilisers, crystal habit modifiers}
Compositions containing a nitrated organic compound

- the nitrated compound being starch or sugar
- the nitrated compound being an aromatic
- with two or more nitrated aromatic compounds present
- at least one of which is nitrated toluene
- the compound being nitroglycerine
- with other nitric organic compounds
- the other compound being a nitrated aliphatic diol
- the other compound being a nitrated aromatic
- the compound being nitrocellulose present as 10% or more by weight of the total composition
- with a non-explosive or a non-explosive or a non-thermic component
- with a nitrated aromatic compound
- with nitroglycerine
- with an organic non-explosive or an organic non-thermic component
- the compound being nitrocellulose present as less than 10% by weight of the total composition
- with nitroglycerine
- the compound being nitrated pentaerythritol
- the compound being a nitrated acyclic, alicyclic or heterocyclic amine
- the compound being a nitroparaffin
- with other nitric organic compound
- with two or more nitroparaffins present

Compositions containing a metal, boron, silicon, selenium or tellurium or mixtures, intercompounds or hydrides thereof, and hydrocarbons or halogenated hydrocarbons

Compositions containing an inorganic oxygen-halogen salt, e.g. chlorate, perchlorate

- of an alkali metal
- with an inorganic non-explosive or an inorganic non-thermic component
- the component being a cyanide; the component being an oxide of iron, chromium or manganese
- with an organic non-explosive or an organic non-thermic component
- the component being a dye or a colouring agent
- with carbon or sulfur
- with iodine or an iodide
- with a nitrated organic compound
- the compound being nitrated toluene or a nitrated phenol
- the compound being nitrocellulose
- the salt being ammonium perchlorate

Compositions containing an inorganic nitrogen-oxygen salt

- the salt being an alkali metal or an alkaline earth metal nitrate
- with carbon or sulfur
- with an organic non-explosive or an organic non-thermic component
- with a metal oxygen-halogen salt, e.g. inorganic chlorate, inorganic perchlorate
- with carbon or sulfur
- with a nitrated organic compound
- the compound being an aromatic
- the compound being a nitrated toluene
- the compound being a nitrated phenol, e.g. picric acid
- the compound being nitroglycerine
- the compound being nitrocellulose
- with other explosive or thermic component
- the other compound being a nitrated aromatic
- with a vegetable matter component, e.g. wood pulp, sawdust
- with vegetable matter; with resin; with rubber
- with a nitric organic compound
- the nitrated compound being starch or sugar
- with other explosive or thermic component
- the nitrated compound being an aromatic
- with an organic non-explosive or an organic non-thermic component
- with other explosive or thermic component
- the other compound being a dye or a colouring agent
- with other explosive or thermic component
- the compound being nitrocellulose present as 10% or more by weight of the total composition
- with a vegetable matter component, e.g. wood pulp, sawdust
- with other explosive or thermic component
- the other component being a nitrated organic compound
- the compound being nitrocellulose present as 10% or more by weight of the total composition
- with other nitric organic compound
- the compound being nitrocellulose present as less than 10% by weight of the total composition

Compositions containing particulate metal, alloy, boron, silicon, selenium or tellurium with at least one oxygen supplying material which is either a metal oxide or a salt, organic or inorganic, capable of yielding a metal oxide

- with an organic non-explosive or an organic non-thermic component
- the material being an inorganic nitrogen-oxygen salt
- the material being an inorganic oxygen-halogen salt
- with a nitrated organic compound
- the compound being an aromatic
the material being two or more oxygen-yielding compounds
at least one being an inorganic nitrogen-oxygen salt

Compositions containing a metal azide
Compositions containing a metal fulminate
with a nitrated organic compound or an inorganic oxygen-halogen salt
Compositions containing free phosphorus or a binary compound of phosphorus, except with oxygen
with an inorganic oxygen-halogen salt
with a binary compound of phosphorus, except with oxygen
with free metal, alloy, boron, silicon, selenium or tellurium

Compositions containing a nitrated metallo-organic compound
the compound containing lead
with an organic explosive or an organic thermic component
with an inorganic explosive or an inorganic thermic component
with a metal azide or a metal fulminate
with other nitrated metallo-organic compound

Compositions characterised by explosive or thermic constituents not provided for in groups C06B 25/00 - C06B 41/00

Compositions or products which are defined by structure or arrangement of component of product (explosive charges of particular form or shape F42B 1/00, F42B 3/00)
comprising particles of diverse size or shape
comprising solid particles dispersed in solid solution or matrix (not used for explosives where the matrix consists essentially of nitrated carbohydrates or a low molecular organic explosive)
the solid solution or matrix containing an organic component
the dispersed solid containing an inorganic explosive or an inorganic thermic component
the organic component containing a resin (The resin being a polymer bearing energetic groups or containing a soluble organic explosive)

having contiguous layers or zones
a layer or zone containing an inorganic explosive or an inorganic thermic component
the layer or zone containing at least one inorganic component from the group of azide, fulminate, phosphorus and phosphide
comprising a coated component (particles dispersed in a matrix C06B 45/04; coated explosive charges F42B)
the component base containing an organic explosive or an organic thermic component
the coating containing an organic compound
the compound being an organic explosive or an organic thermic component
the compound being a nitrated toluene

Compositions containing nitrocellulose and nitroglycerine
the component base containing an inorganic explosive or an inorganic thermic component
the coating containing an organic compound
the compound being an organic explosive or an organic thermic component
the component base containing both an organic explosive or thermic component and an inorganic explosive or thermic component

Compositions in which the components are separately stored until the moment of burning or explosion, e.g. "Sprengel"-type explosives; Suspensions of solid component in a normally non-explosive liquid phase, including a thickened aqueous phase
NOTE
{This group also covers emulsion type explosives in which a solid component is not compulsory}
The components comprising a binary propellant
a component containing a nitrogen oxide or acid thereof
a component being a liquefied normally gaseous material supplying oxygen (C06B 47/04 takes precedence)
a component containing hydrazine or a hydrazine derivative
a component containing free boron, an organic borane or a binary compound of boron, except with oxygen
a component being a liquefied normally gaseous fuel
comprising a solid component and an aqueous phase
{Water in oil emulsion type explosives in which a carbonaceous fuel forms the continuous phase}

Use of single substances as explosives

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