### **C10J**

PRODUCTION OF PRODUCER GAS, WATER-GAS, SYNTHESIS GAS FROM SOLID CARBONACEOUS MATERIAL, OR MIXTURES CONTAINING THESE GASES (synthesis gas from liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons C01B; underground gasification of minerals E21B43/295); CARBURETTING AIR OR OTHER GASES

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Processes or apparatus for production of fuel gases by carburetting air or other gases without pyrolysis, including controlling supply of air or liquid, temperature, humidity and other parameters.

Processes or apparatus for production of combustible gases containing carbon monoxide (including producer gas, wood gas, town gas, synthesis gas (syngas), manufactured gas and water gas) from solid carbonaceous materials. This includes fixed-bed gasification of lump fuel, gasification of granular or pulverulent fuels in suspension, gasification using molten salts or metals, carburetting by pyrolysis of carbonaceous material in the fuel bed and carburetting by pyrolysis of carbonaceous material in a carburettor.

## Relationship between large subject matter areas

Production of synthesis gas from liquid or gaseous hydrocarbons, and the synthesis gas per se, are covered by group <a href="C01B 3/00">C01B 3/00</a>.

Destructive distillation processes, e.g. carbonisation or coking, and excluding gasification processes (see Glossary), are covered by subclass <a href="C10B">C10B</a>. Combinations of gasification and destructive distillation are covered by group <a href="C10J 3/58">C10J 3/58</a>.

Other gaseous fuels, including natural gas, substitute natural gas or synthetic natural gas (SNG) and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), are covered by group C10L 3/00.

Purifying or modifying the chemical composition of combustible gases containing carbon monoxide is covered by subclass <u>C10K</u>.

#### References relevant to classification in this subclass

This subclass/group does not cover:

Destructive distillation processes	C10B
Underground gasification of minerals	E21B 43/295

Plants with an integrated combined cycle, having more than one engine delivering power externally to the plant	F01K 23/06
Plant characterised by the engines using gaseous fuel generated in the plant from solid fuel	F02B 43/08
Gas turbine plant with separate fuel gasifiers	F02C 3/28
Carburettors for supplying combustible mixtures to internal combustion engines	<u>F02M</u>
Incineration of waste with pyrolysis or gasification as pre-treatment	F23G 5/027
Combination of fuel cell with means for gasification of solid fuel	H01M 8/0643

Places in relation to which this subclass is residual:

Separation of gases or vapour by diffusion	B01D 53/22
Multi-step process for production of hydrogen or of gaseous mixtures containing a substantial proportion of hydrogen	C01B 3/02
Multi-step process for preparation of ammonia	<u>C01C 1/0405</u>
Multi-step process for preparation of hydrocarbons from carbon monoxide with hydrogen	C07C 1/04
Multi-step process for preparation of compounds having hydroxy or O-metal groups bound to a carbon atom not belonging to a six-membered aromatic ring by reduction of oxides of carbon exclusively with hydrogen or	C07C 29/1518

hydrogen-containing gases, one step being the formation of initial mixture of carbon oxides and hydrogen for synthesis	
Preparation of urea	<u>C07C 273/02</u>
Multi-step process for production of liquid hydrocarbon mixtures of undefined composition from oxides of carbon	<u>C10G 2/00</u>
Production of synthetic natural gas	C10L 3/08
Plants with an integrated combined cycle, having more than one engine delivering power externally to the plant	F01K 23/06
Plant characterised by the engines using gaseous fuel generated in the plant from solid fuel	F02B 43/08
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# **Informative references**

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Apparatus for generating gases	<u>B01J 7/00</u>
Apparatus for chemical or physical process conducted in the presence of fluids and solid particles	B01J 8/00
Coupling of an air fractionation unit (ASU) to an oxygen-consuming unit	F25J 3/04521
Processes or apparatus for	<u>F25J 3/0625</u> 3

separating of H2/CO mixtures, i.e. synthesis gas, involving the use of	
liquefaction or solidification	

# Special rules of classification within this subclass

In the absence of an indication to the contrary, classification is made in the last appropriate place ("last place rule").

Multiple classification symbols may be allocated to cover the disclosed subject-matter

# **Glossary of terms**

In this subclass/group, the following terms (or expressions) are used with the meaning indicated:

Carburetting	Carburetting air or gas generally comprises passing it in contact with liquid fuel and thereby mixing the air/gas and fuel. This often involves lowering the air pressure e.g. in a venturi.
Destructive distillation	The process of pyrolysis conducted in a distillation apparatus to allow the volatile products to be collected. An example is tar making from pinewood slices (which are rich in terpenes), which are heated in an airless container causing the material to decompose, leaving charcoal and turpentine as by-products.
Gasification	Gasification is somewhat similar to pyrolysis and confusion between these terms is common. Gasification is a partial oxidation process that converts materials such as coal, biomass or plastic waste into a gaseous mixture of carbon monoxide and hydrogen (also known as synthesis gas) by reacting the raw material at high temperatures with controlled amounts of oxygen and/or steam. See also the entry for pyrolysis.

Producer gas	A gas mixture containing carbon monoxide (CO), hydrogen (H2), carbon dioxide (CO2) and nitrogen (N2). In the USA, producer gas is a generic term referring to wood gas, town gas or syngas. In the UK, producer gas, also known as suction gas, means a fuel gas made from coke or other carbonaceous material. Air is passed over the red-hot fuel and carbon monoxide is produced in an exothermic reaction which reads 2C + O2 # 2CO. The nitrogen in the air remains unchanged and dilutes the gas, so it has a low calorific value. The gas may be used to power gas turbines which are suited to fuels of low calorific value.
Pyrolysis	The chemical decomposition of organic materials by heating in the absence of oxygen or any other reagents, except possibly steam. Pyrolysis is somewhat endothermic and the products can be gases, liquids (e.g. light crude oil from depolymerisation of organic waste) and/or solids (e.g. coke and volatiles produced by coking coal). See also the entry for gasification.
Synthesis gas (syngas)	A gas mixture that contains varying amounts of carbon monoxide (CO) and hydrogen (H2) generated by the gasification of a carbon-containing material to a gaseous product with a heating value (but less than half the energy density of natural gas). When used as a fuel, it is produced by gasification of coal or municipal waste by the following reactions: C + O2 # CO2; CO2 + C # 2CO; C + H2O # CO + H2. The name comes from the gas's use as an intermediate in creating synthetic natural gas (SNG) and in producing ammonia or methanol.
Town gas	Also known as coal gas, and contains hydrogen (H2), carbon monoxide

	(CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrogen (N2) and volatile hydrocarbons. It is made by blowing air and steam over an incandescent fuel bed, usually of coke or coal. The words "coal gas" could also be used to mean gas made by the destructive distillation of coal. The gas was used inter alia for lighting before the advent of electric lighting, and for heating and cooking before natural gas became widely available.
Water-gas	A mixture of carbon monoxide (CO) and hydrogen (H2) produced by passing steam over red-hot coke using the endothermic reaction C + H2O # CO + H2. This product had a lower calorific value than coal gas so the gas was often passed through a heated retort into which oil was sprayed; the resulting mixed gas was called carburetted water gas.
Wood gas	The product of thermal gasification of biomass (e.g. coal, wood chips, sawdust, charcoal) in a gasifier or wood gas generator. It is the result of a high temperature reaction (> 700 degrees C) where carbon reacts with steam or a limited amount of air producing carbon monoxide (CO), carbon dioxide (CO2), hydrogen (H2) and methane (CH4). It can be filtered, purified or scrubbed and used to power internal combustion engines, gas turbines, Stirling engines or fuel cells.

# **Synonyms and Keywords**

In patent documents the following synonyms are often used:

	Wood gas, town gas, syngas, synthesis gas, raw gas (in USA)
Producer gas	Suction gas (in UK)

Wood gas	Holzgas, air gas, blue gas
Coal gas	Town gas

### C10J 1/00

Production of fuel gases by carburetting air or other gases without pyrolysis (for internal-combustion engines F02)

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

This main group covers:

Fuel gases produced by carburetting air or other gases without pyrolysis

#### References relevant to classification in this subclass

This subclass/group does not cover:

Examples of places where the subject matter of this class is covered when specially adapted, used for a particular purpose, or incorporated in a larger system:

Carburettors for supplying	<u>F02M</u>
combustible mixtures to internal	
combustion engines	

### C10J 3/00

Production of combustible gases containing carbon monoxide from solid carbonaceous fuels (destructive distillation processes C10B)

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

This main group covers:

Production of combustible gases containing carbon monoxide from solid carbonaceous fuels as well as a slurry of solid carbonaceous, such as a coal water slurry.

## C10J 3/02

## Fixed-bed gasification of lump fuel

### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Moving bed gasification, such as a Lurgi gasifier, and rotary drum gasification.

## C10J 3/30

## Fuel charging devices

### Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Feeding of the particles in the reactor	B01J 8/0015
Feeding or discharging devices	<u>B65G 53/40</u>
Charging; Discharging; Manipulation of charge	F27D 3/00
Feeding or distributing of lump or pulverulent fuel to combustion apparatus	F23K 3/00

## C10J 3/34

# **Grates; Mechanical ash-removing devices**

### Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Feeding or discharging devices	B65G 53/40
Grates; Cleaning or raking grates	<u>F23H</u>
Removing ash, clinker, or slag from combustion chamber	F23J 1/00
Charging; Discharging; Manipulation of charge	F27D 3/00

## C10J 3/44

## adapted for use on vehicles

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Apparatus for fixed bed gasification of lump fuel adapted for use on vehicles

#### Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Arrangement concerning gas-producing plants in connection with fuel supply of combustion engines	B60K 15/10

## C10J 3/463

## [N: in stationary fluidised beds]

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:
Gasification in stationary fluidised bed

# References relevant to classification in this group

This subclass/group does not cover:

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bed	

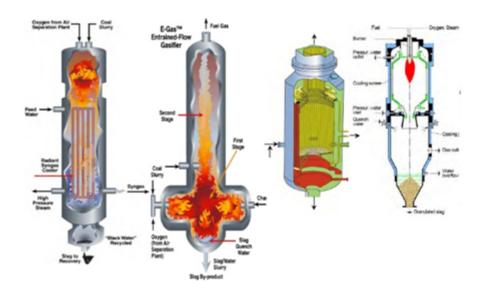
### C10J 3/466

## [N: Entrained flow processes]

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasification of granular or pulverulent flues in entrained bed, such as GE-Texaco gasifier, E-gas gasifier, Shell gasifier, Prenflo gasifier or TPRI gasifier, such as shown in following figures:



# Special rules of classification within this group

Fluidised bed processes are classified in C10J 3/466

Reactors for fluidised bed processes are classified in C10J 3/485

Fluidized bed processes and reactors by the Winkler technique are classified in C10J 3/54 and C10J 3/56

## C10J 3/482

# [N: Gasifiers with stationary fluidised bed]

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:
Gasifiers with stationary fluidised bed

# References relevant to classification in this group

This subclass/group does not cover:

Gasifiers with circulating fluidised bed	C10J 3/56

## C10J 3/50

# **Fuel charging devices**

## **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasifiers with nozzles, gasifiers with screw feeders, feed pressurisation using lock hoppers, or preparation, such as milling and drying, of fuel for gasification process

#### Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Feed or outlet devices; Feed or outlet regulating devices	<u>B01J 4/00</u>
Feeding or discharging devices	B65G 53/40
Fuel feeders specially adapted for fluidised bed combustion apparatus	F23C 10/22
Burners for combustion of pulverulent fuel	F23D 1/00
Preparation of lump or pulverulent fuel in readiness for delivery to combustion apparatus	F23K 1/00
Feeding or distributing of lump or pulverulent fuel to combustion apparatus	F23K 3/00

## C10J 3/52

# **Ash-removing devices**

#### **Informative references**

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Feeding or discharging devices	<u>B65G 53/40</u>
Removing ash, clinker, or slag from combustion chamber	F23J 1/00

## C10J 3/54

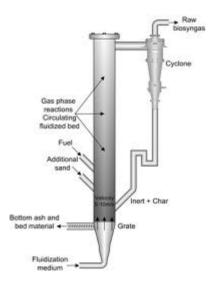
Gasification of granular or pulverulent fuels by the Winkler

## technique, i.e. by fluidisation

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasification in a circulating fluidised bed or expanded bed, such as shown in following figure:



## C10J 3/57

# Gasification using molten salts or metals (C10J3/02, C10J3/46 take precedence)

# Special rules of classification within this group

C10J 3/02, C10J 3/46 takes precedence

## C10J 3/58

## combined with pre-distillation of the fuel

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasification including a pre-distillation before gasification, such as a pyrolysis step prior to gasification step.

# References relevant to classification in this group

This subclass/group does not cover:

Pre-distillation, such as a pyrolysis,	C10K, C10G 9/00, C01B 3/24, C01B
followed by gasification of pyrolysis	<u>3/34</u>
gas and/or pyrolysis liquids, such as	

pyrolysis tar cracking or reforming, without gasification step of solid charge	

## C10J 3/62

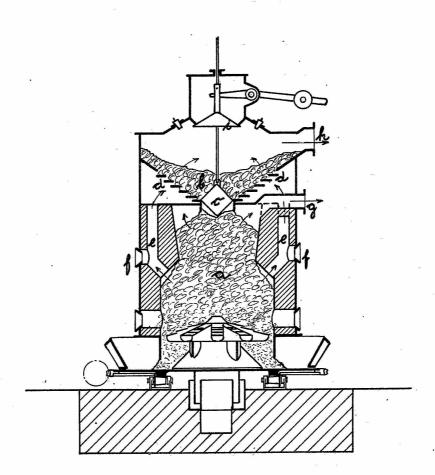
# with separate withdrawal of the distillation products

### **Definition statement**

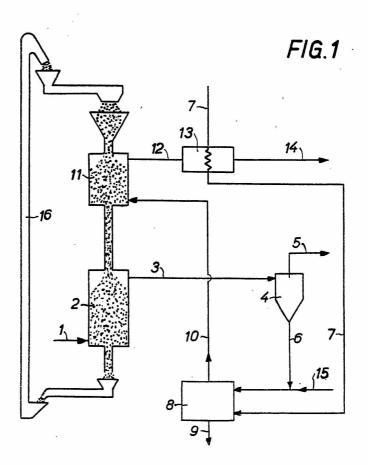
This subclass/group covers:

Gasification including a pre-distillation before gasification whereby the distillation products such as pyrolysis gas (pyrogas) are withdrawn separately from the syngas. Examples are shown in the following figures:

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U.S. Patent 4,456,455 Jun. 26, 1984

## **Glossary of terms**

In this subclass/group, the following terms (or expressions) are used with the meaning indicated:

Distillation products	Volatile products released from solid
· ·	charge during pre-distillation or
	pyrolysis pre-step.

## C10J 3/64

## with decomposition of the distillation products

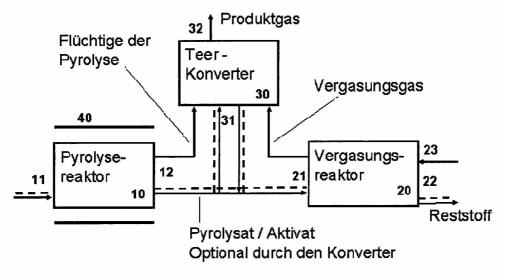
### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasification including the decomposition of the distillation products, such as pyrolysis gas (pyrogas) and/or pyrolysis liquids (pyroliquids). The decomposition may occur in a reforming zone separate from the gasification zone, such as partial combustion of pyrolysis gas or cracking of pyrolysis tar. Examples are shown in the following figures:

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#### Anhängende Zeichnungen



#### Abbildung 1

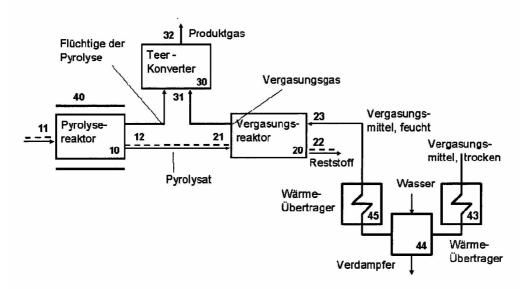


Abbildung 2

## **Glossary of terms**

In this subclass/group, the following terms (or expressions) are used with the meaning indicated:

Distillation products	Volatile products released from solid
·	charge during pre-distillation or
	pyrolysis pre-step.

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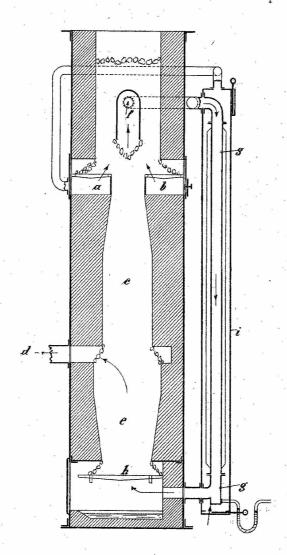
# by introducing them into the gasification zone

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasification including the decomposition of the distillation products, such as pyrolysis gas (pyrogas) and/or pyrolysis liquids (pyroliquids).

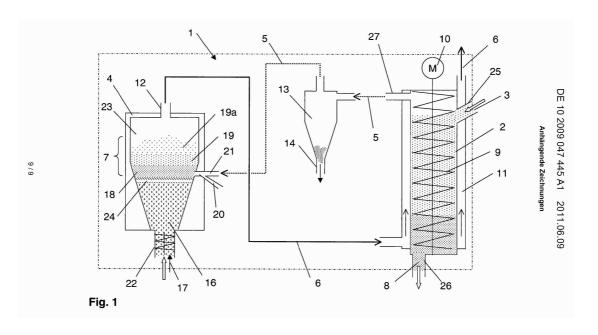
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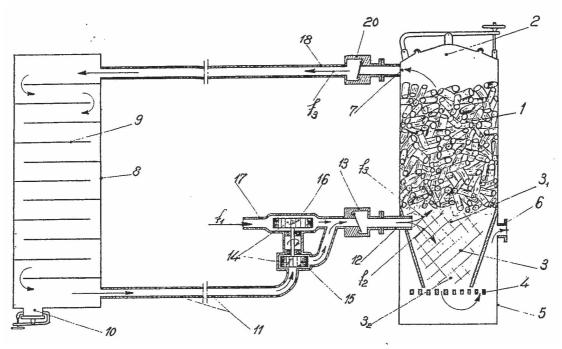


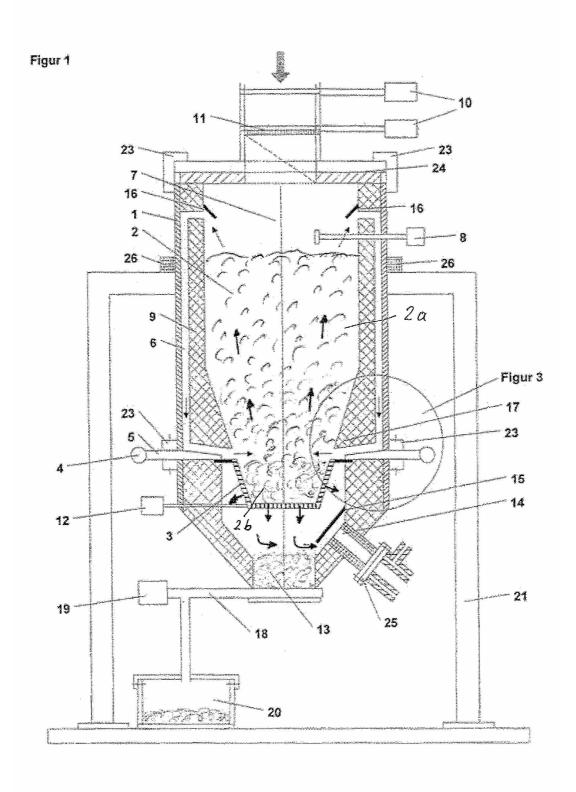
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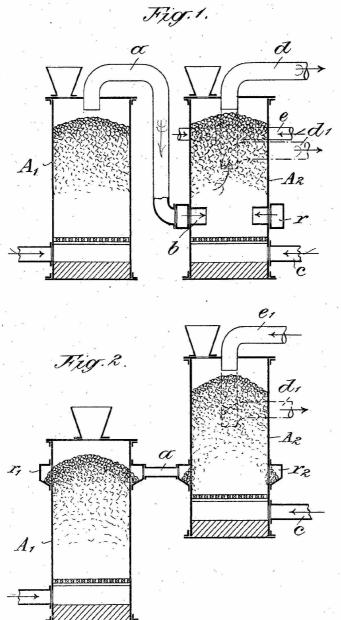
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## **Glossary of terms**

In this subclass/group, the following terms (or expressions) are used with the meaning indicated:

Zone where solids are converted by gasification, such as by partial combustion or steam reforming
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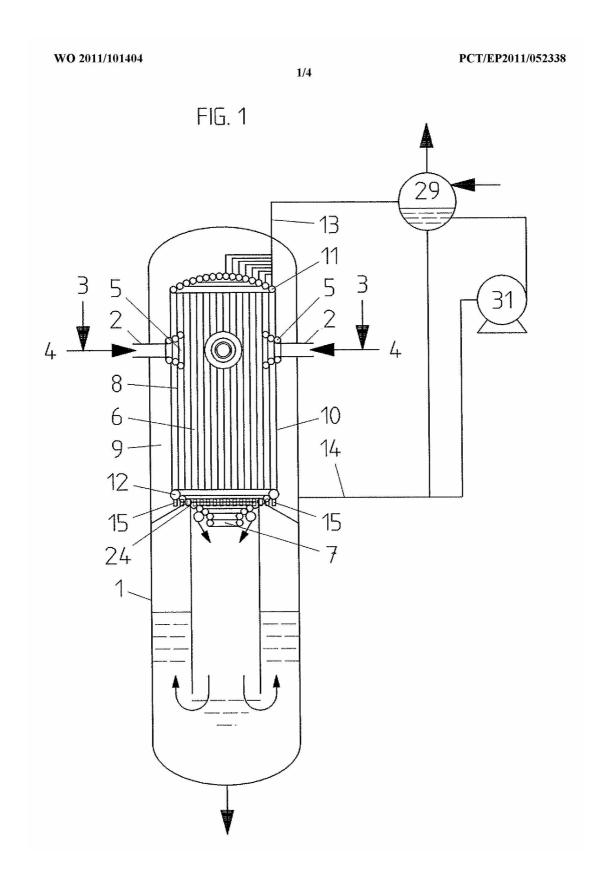
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Water jackets; Steam boiler-jackets

### **Definition statement**

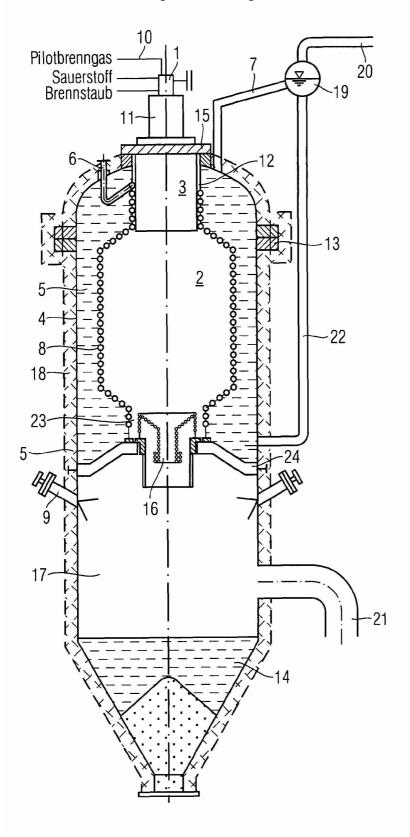
This subclass/group covers:

Gasifiers having cooling means inside or on the outside of the gasification chamber itself, i.e. same vessel, such as shown in the following figures:



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## Anhängende Zeichnungen



#### References relevant to classification in this subclass

This subclass/group does not cover:

Gasification with separate waste heat	C10J 3/86
boilers	

#### Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Heat-exchange apparatus, not	<u>F28D</u>
provided for in another subclass, in	
which the heat-exchange media do	
not come into direct contact	

## C10J 3/78

## **High-pressure apparatus**

#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers: Supercritical gasification

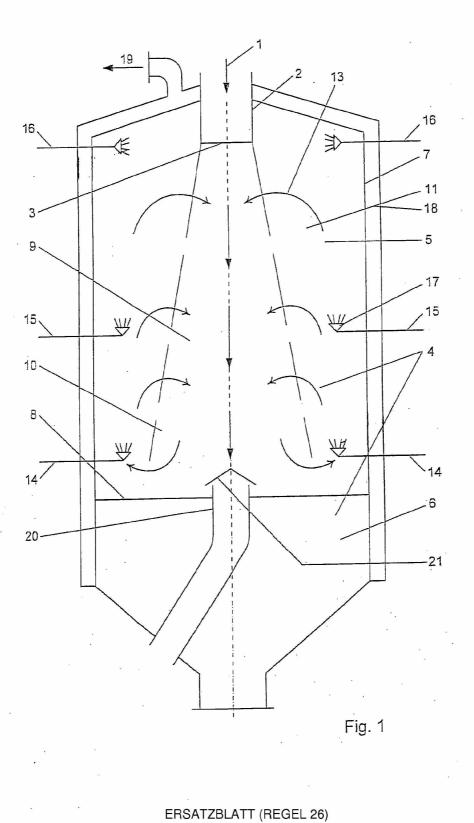
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## with means for removing dust or tar from the gas

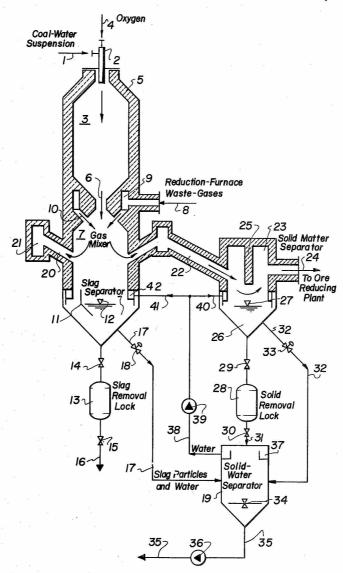
### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasifiers having a gas filter, cyclone, water spray or a quench, e.g. such as shown in the following figures:

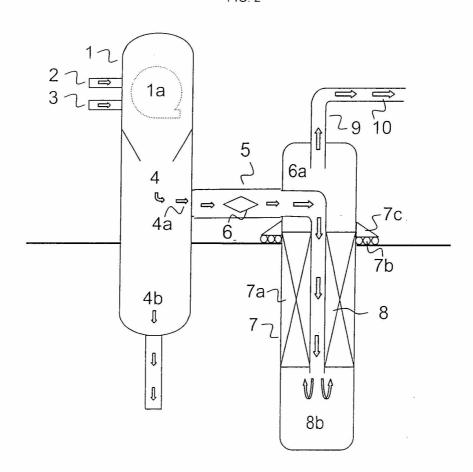


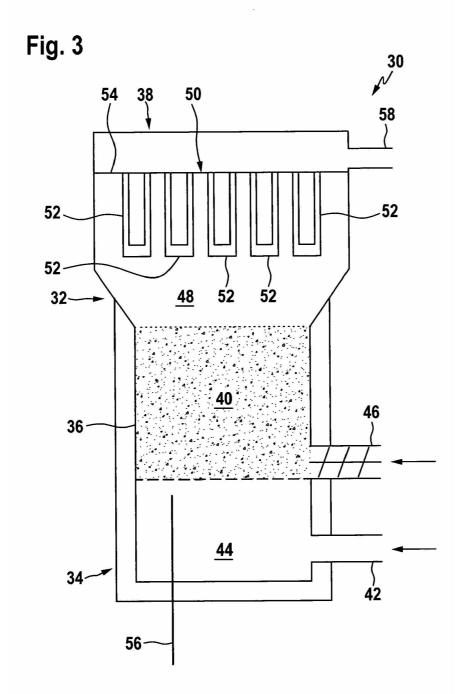
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FIG. 2





Tar cracking, e.g. reforming, partial oxidation

### Informative references

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Filters, i.e. particle separators, or filtering processes specially modified for separating dispersed particles from gases or vapours	B01D 46/00
Separating dispersed particles from gases, air or vapours by liquid as separating agent	B01D 47/00
Apparatus using free vortex flow, e.g. cyclones	<u>B04C</u>
Purifying combustible gases containing carbon monoxide	C10K 1/00

## **Synonyms and Keywords**

In patent documents the following expressions/words "nozzle scrubber", "orifice scrubber" and "venturi scrubber" are often used as synonyms.

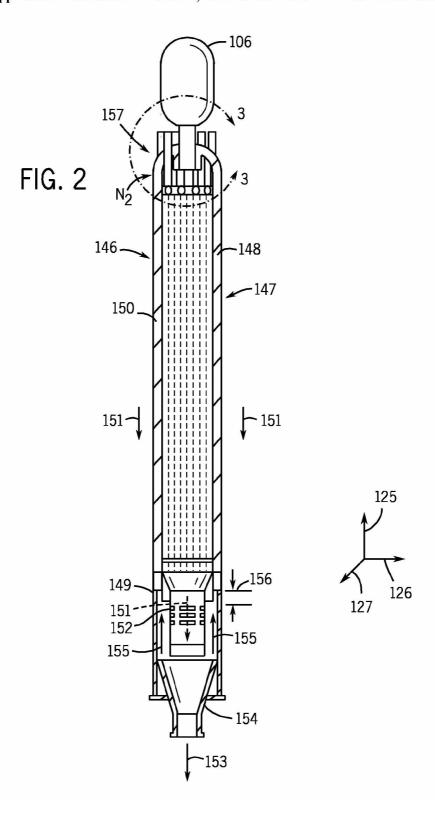
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#### combined with waste-heat boilers

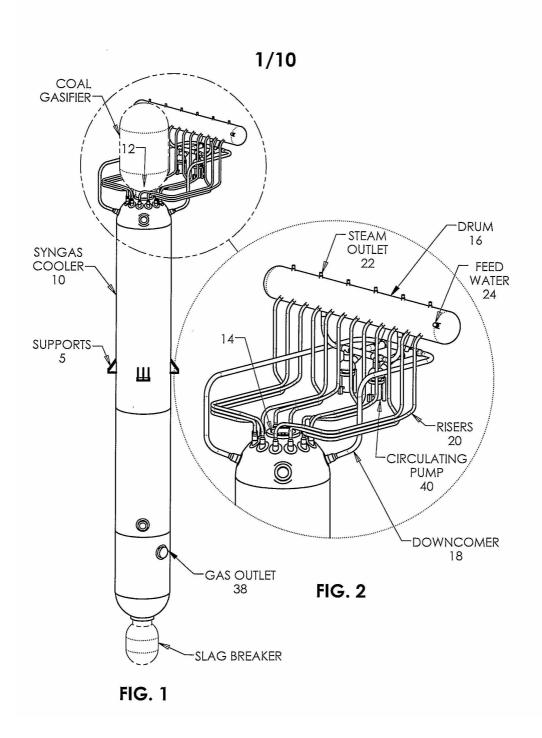
#### **Definition statement**

This subclass/group covers:

Gasifiers connected with a separate heat exchanger, such as shown in following figures:



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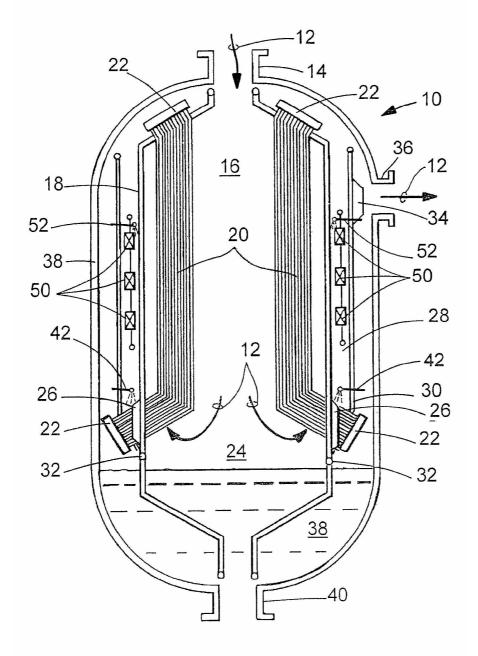


FIG. 3

# **Informative references**

Attention is drawn to the following places, which may be of interest for search:

Methods of steam generation characterised by form of heating method by exploitation of the heat content of hot gas being loaded with particles, e.g. waste heat boilers after a coal gasification plant	F22B 1/1846
Heat-exchange apparatus, not provided for in another subclass, in which the heat-exchange media do not come into direct contact	<u>F28D</u>