SECTION C — CHEMISTRY; METALLURGY

C22 METALLURGY; FERROUS OR NON-FERROUS ALLOYS; TREATMENT OF ALLOYS OR NON-FERROUS METALS

C22C ALLOYS (treatment of alloys C21D, C22F)

Note(s) [2, 4]

In this subclass, the following terms or expressions are used with the meanings indicated:

- "alloys" includes also:
 - metallic composite materials containing a substantial proportion of fibres or other somewhat larger particles;
 - b. ceramic compositions containing free metal bonded to carbides, diamond, oxides, borides, nitrides or silicides, e.g. cermets, or other metal compounds, e.g. oxynitrides or sulfides, other than as macroscopic reinforcing agents.
- "based on" requires at least 50% by weight of the specified constituent or of the specified group of constituents.

Subclass index

NON-FERROUS ALLOYS	1/00 2/00
Manufacture	
Based on or containing particular metals	5/00-32/00
FERROUS ALLOYS	
Manufacture	33/00
Master alloys	
Cast-iron alloys	37/00
Iron alloys	38/00
RADIOACTIVE ALLOYS	43/00
AMORPHOUS ALLOYS	45/00
ALLOYS CONTAINING FIBRES OR FILAMENTS	47/00, 49/00

Non-ferrous alloys, i.e.	alloys based essential	ly on metals other
than iron [2, 5]	•	

Note(s) [2009.01]

Groups C22C 43/00-C22C 49/00 take precedence over groups C22C 1/00-C22C 38/00.

- **Making non-ferrous alloys** (by electrothermic methods C22B 4/00; by electrolysis C25C 1/24, C25C 3/36) **[1, 2006.01, 2023.01]**
- 1/02 by melting [1, 2006.01]
- 1/03 using master alloys [2, 2006.01]
- 1/04 by powder metallurgy (C22C 1/08 takes precedence) [1, 2, 2006.01, 2023.01]
- 1/047 • comprising intermetallic compounds [2023.01]
- 1/05 Mixtures of metal powder with non-metallic powder (C22C 1/08 takes precedence) [1, 2, 2006.01, 2023.01]
- 1/051 • Making hard metals based on borides, carbides, nitrides, oxides or silicides; Preparation of the powder mixture used as the starting material therefor [2023.01]
- 1/053 • with <u>in situ</u> formation of hard compounds **[2023.01]**
- 1/055 • • using carbon **[2023.01]**
- 1/056 • • using gas **[2023.01]**

- 1/057 • • with <u>in situ</u> formation of phases other than hard compounds by solid state reaction sintering, e.g. metal phase formed by reduction reaction [2023.01]
- 1/059 • Making alloys comprising less than 5% by weight of dispersed reinforcing phases [2023.01]
- 1/06 with the use of special agents for refining or deoxidising [1, 2006.01]
- 1/08 Alloys with open or closed pores **[1, 2006.01]**
- 1/10 Alloys containing non-metals (C22C 1/05, C22C 1/08 take precedence) **[1, 2, 2006.01, 2023.01]**
- 1/11 Making amorphous alloys **[2023.01]**
- by processing in a semi-solid state, e.g. holding the alloy in the solid-liquid phase [2023.01]
- 3/00 Removing material from non-ferrous alloys to produce alloys of different constitution [1, 2006.01]
- 5/00 Alloys based on noble metals [1, 2006.01]
- 5/02 Alloys based on gold **[2, 2006.01]**
- Alloys based on a platinum group metal [2, 2006.01]
- 5/06 Alloys based on silver **[2, 2006.01]**
- 5/08 • with copper as the next major constituent [2, 2006.01]
- 5/10 with cadmium as the next major constituent [2, 2006.01]

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33/04 33/06 33/08 33/10	 by melting [2, 2006.01] using master alloys [2, 2006.01] Making cast-iron alloys [2, 2006.01] including procedures for adding magnesium [2, 2006.01] 	45/00 45/02 45/04	 Amorphous alloys (making amorphous non-ferrous alloys C22C 1/11) [5, 2006.01, 2023.01] with iron as the major constituent [5, 2006.01] with nickel or cobalt as the major constituent [5, 2006.01]
33/12	• • by fluidised injection [2, 2006.01]	45/06	• with beryllium as the major constituent [5, 2006.01]
35/00	Master alloys for iron or steel [1, 2006.01]	45/08 45/10	with aluminium as the major constituent [5, 2006.01]with molybdenum, tungsten, niobium, tantalum,
	Note(s) [2]	157 10	titanium, or zirconium as the major
	In groups C22C 37/00 and C22C 38/00, the last place priority rule is applied, i.e. at each hierarchical level, in the absence of an indication to the contrary, an alloy is classified in the last appropriate place that provides for one of the alloying components.	Alloys co	constituent [5, 2006.01] ontaining fibres or filaments [7] Note(s) [7]
37/00	Cast-iron alloys [1, 2, 2006.01]		In groups C22C 47/00 and C22C 49/00, it is desirable to
37/04	• containing spheroidal graphite [1, 2006.01]		add the indexing codes of groups C22C 101/00, C22C 111/00 and C22C 121/00.
37/06	 containing chromium [1, 2, 2006.01] 		
37/08	• • with nickel [1, 2006.01]	47/00	Making alloys containing metallic or non-metallic
37/10	 containing aluminium or silicon [1, 2006.01] 	·= · · · ·	fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]
20 /00	Formous allows a grated allows (cost iron allows	47/02	• Pretreatment of the fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]
38/00	Ferrous alloys, e.g. steel alloys (cast-iron alloys C22C 37/00) [2, 2006.01]	47/04	 by coating, e.g. with a protective or activated covering [7, 2006.01]
38/02	• containing silicon [2, 2006.01]	47/06	 by forming the fibres or filaments into a
38/04	• containing manganese [2, 2006.01]		preformed structure, e.g. using a temporary binder
38/06	• containing aluminium [2, 2006.01]		to form a mat-like element [7, 2006.01]
38/08	 containing nickel [2, 2006.01] 	47/08	by contacting the fibres or filaments with molten
38/10	 containing cobalt [2, 2006.01] 		metal, e.g. by infiltrating the fibres or filaments
38/12	 containing tungsten, tantalum, molybdenum, 	47/10	placed in a mould [7, 2006.01]• Infiltration in the presence of a reactive
	vanadium or niobium [2, 2006.01]	4//10	atmosphere; Reactive infiltration [7, 2006.01]
38/14	• containing titanium or zirconium [2, 2006.01]	47/12	Infiltration or casting under mechanical
38/16	• containing copper [2, 2006.01]		pressure [7, 2006.01]
38/18 38/20	containing chromium [2, 2006.01]with copper [2, 2006.01]	47/14	• by powder metallurgy, i.e. by processing mixtures of
38/22	 with copper [2, 2006.01] with molybdenum or tungsten [2, 2006.01] 		metal powder and fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]
38/24	• • with vanadium [2, 2006.01]	47/16	• by thermal spraying of the metal, e.g. plasma
38/26	• • with niobium or tantalum [2, 2006.01]	47/18	spraying [7, 2006.01]using a preformed structure of fibres or
38/28	• • with titanium or zirconium [2, 2006.01]	4//10	filaments [7, 2006.01]
38/30	• • with cobalt [2, 2006.01]	47/20	 by subjecting to pressure and heat an assembly
38/32	• • with boron [2, 2006.01]		comprising at least one metal layer or sheet and one
38/34	• • with more than 1.5% by weight of		layer of fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]
	silicon [2, 2006.01]	49/00	Alloys containing metallic or non-metallic fibres or
38/36	• • with more than 1.7% by weight of	45/00	filaments [7, 2006.01]
20/20	carbon [2, 2006.01] • with more than 1.5% by weight of	49/02	• characterised by the matrix material [7, 2006.01]
38/38	manganese [2, 2006.01]	49/04	• • Light metals [7, 2006.01]
38/40	• • with nickel [2, 2006.01]	49/06	• • • Aluminium [7, 2006.01]
38/42	• • • with copper [2, 2006.01]	49/08	 Iron group metals [7, 2006.01]
38/44	• • • with molybdenum or tungsten [2, 2006.01]	49/10	 Refractory metals [7, 2006.01]
38/46	• • • with vanadium [2, 2006.01]	49/11	• • • Titanium [7, 2006.01]
38/48	• • • with niobium or tantalum [2, 2006.01]	49/12	• • Intermetallic matrix material [7, 2006.01]
38/50	• • • with titanium or zirconium [2, 2006.01]	49/14	• characterised by the fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]
38/52	• • • with cobalt [2, 2006.01]		
38/54	• • • with boron [2, 2006.01]	<u>I</u> ndexing	scheme associated with groups C22C 47/00 and
38/56	• • • with more than 1.7% by weight of	C22C 49/00, relating to the nature of the fibrous materials	
20/50	carbon [2, 2006.01]	containe	d in metal-fibrous composites. [7]
38/58	• • with more than 1.5% by weight of manganese [2, 2006.01]	101/00	Non-metallic fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]

43/00 Alloys containing radioactive materials [2, 2006.01]

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 containing lead, selenium, tellurium or antimony, or more than 0.04% by weight of sulfur [2, 2006.01]

fibres **[7, 2006.01]**101/04 • Aluminium oxide **[7, 2006.01]**101/06 • Mixed oxides, e.g. aluminium silicate or glass **[7, 2006.01]**101/08 • based on non-oxides, e.g. non-oxide ceramic

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101/10	• • Carbon [7, 2006.01]	111/00	Metallic fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]	
101/12	• • Carbides [7, 2006.01]	111/02	 Refractory metal fibres or filaments, e.g. tungsten 	
101/14	• • • Silicon carbide [7, 2006.01]		fibres [7, 2006.01]	
101/16	• • Nitrides [7, 2006.01]	121/00	Pretreated fibres or filaments [7, 2006.01]	
101/18	• • • Silicon nitride [7, 2006.01]			
101/20	• • Boron [7, 2006.01]	121/02	 Coated fibres or filaments, e.g. ceramic fibres with protective coatings [7, 2006.01] 	
101/22	• • Borides [7, 2006.01]		protective coatings [7, 2000.01]	

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