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APPARATUS FOR CONFINING AND CONTROLLING A FLOW OF FLUID FROM AN OIL/GAS SOURCE, ESPECIALLY IN AN UNCONTROLLED BLOW-OUT ON THE SEA BED

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP0117858A2] An apparatus for confining and controlling a flow of fluid from an oil/gas source, especially is an uncontrolled blow-out from a location on the sea bed. The apparatus comprises a confinement member (1) arranged to be placed on and attached to the sea bed or the like over the blow-out location, and which comprises at least two sections (2, 3) arranged to be moved laterally together and locked to each other in a position in which the sections together define a central, downwards open cavity (4) passing into a first upwards directed flow passage (5), one of the sections alone defining a second upwards directed flow passage (6) communicating with the cavity. The passages (5, 6) are provided with respective closing means (17 resp. 27) arranged to be operated in such a manner that the first passage (5) is closed during simultaneous opening of the second passage (6), the second passage (6) being connected to conduits (7) for carrying off the flow of fluid. The two sections (2, 3) are preferably connected to each other by a hinge means having an axis which extends essentially parallel to the first flow passage (5).

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