

Title (en)

Countergravity casting using particulate supported thin walled investment shell mold.

Title (de)

Steigendguss unter Verwendung einer besonders gelagerten verlorenen Gussform mit dünnwandigem Überzug.

Title (fr)

Coubé de métal à contre-gravité sous utilisation d'un moule perdue particulièrement soutenu avec revêtement d'épaisseur mince.

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP0474078A1] An expendable pattern (10) of an article to be cast comprises a meltable material that expands upon heating (e.g., a wax pattern). The pattern is invested with particulate mold material to form a thin, layered shell (30) having a wall thickness not exceeding about .12 inch. The thin shell wall thickness unexpectedly reduces damage and distortion to the shell during removal of the pattern therefrom by steam autoclaving. After firing, the thin gas permeable shell mold is surrounded by a refractory particulate support media (60) in a vacuum housing (70). The vacuum housing (70) is then evacuated to evacuate the mold cavity (36) defined by the thin shell (30) and concurrently a pressure is applied to the support media (60) so as to compress the support media about the thin shell to support the shell against casting stresses when molten metal is countergravity cast into the evacuated mold cavity (36). <IMAGE>

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