

Title (en)  
SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MODULAR INFLATABLE AVALANCHE PROTECTION

Title (de)  
SYSTEME UND VERFAHREN FÜR MODULAREN AUFBLASBAREN LAWINENSCHUTZ

Title (fr)  
SYSTÈMES ET PROCÉDÉS POUR LA PROTECTION D'AVALANCHE GONFLABLE MODULAIRE

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Abstract (en)  
The application relates to an avalanche safety system (100, 210, 300) including an inflatable chamber (140, 220, 340), activation system (190, 390), inflation system (160, 360), harness (120, 320), and a container (400). The inflatable chamber is a three-dimensionally, partially enclosed region having an inflated state (Figs. 7C, 14D) and a compressed state (Figs. 7A, 14A). The inflated state may form a particular three dimensional shape configured to protect the user from impact and/or provide flotation during an avalanche. The inflation system (160) is configured to transmit ambient air into the inflatable chamber (140). The harness (120) may be a backpack that enables a user (200) to transport the system (100) while engaging in activities that may be exposed to avalanche risk. The container (400) is releasably coupled to the harness (120, 320) including a coupled and a separate state. The container (400) independently includes a container chamber (408) that is selectively enclosable by a container opening (406, 407). The releasable coupling between the container and the harness may include a periphery zipper type coupling.

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