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MINERALIZING OF WOOD AND CELLULOSIC MATERIALS

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MINERALISIERUNG VON HOLZ UND CELLULOSISCHEN MATERIALIEN

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Abstract (en)
[origin: WO2018065335A2] Provided is a method for mineralizing wood, wooden material and other cellulosic material comprising: i) a first impregnation step, comprising a first impregnation of wood, wooden material or other cellulosic material with an aqueous solution of potassium methyl silicate or potassium oxalate, ii) a first drying step, comprising drying of the wood, wooden material or other cellulosic material, iii) a second impregnation step, comprising a second impregnation of wood, wooden material or other cellulosic material with an aqueous solution of calcium chloride or CO₂ (gaseous or fluidic), and iv) a second drying step, comprising drying of the wood, wooden material or other cellulosic material. Due to the novel mineralization method, the water insoluble products of the impregnation steps penetrate the material deeply and are generated in situ within the cells themselves, in the cell walls and pits and between the xylem cells (primarily fibres and sclereids). The mineralized products are protected against fungi, improved in their biological resistance, moisture and weather resistance and exhibit a reduced flammability. The products are non-toxic and environmentally safe.

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