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(54) **Fall arrest safety net**

(57) A fall arrest safety net assembly has the form of a bag constructed of wire mesh, with a closed end (2) and an opposing open mouth (3) about which a plurality of eyes (12) are spaced. An elongate line (33) has opposing first and second ends, first and second line portions of the line being disposed adjacent the first and second ends respectively, an intermediate portion of the line located between the first and second line portions. A choker fitting (52) has two faces between which a plurality of openings extend, and an end-securing fixture on the choker fitting. The first portion of the line is connected in a ring by the choker fitting, the first end being fixed to the end-securing fixture, the first portion extending through the eyes for drawing the mouth closed, and the intermediate portion extending through the openings in the choker fitting (52).

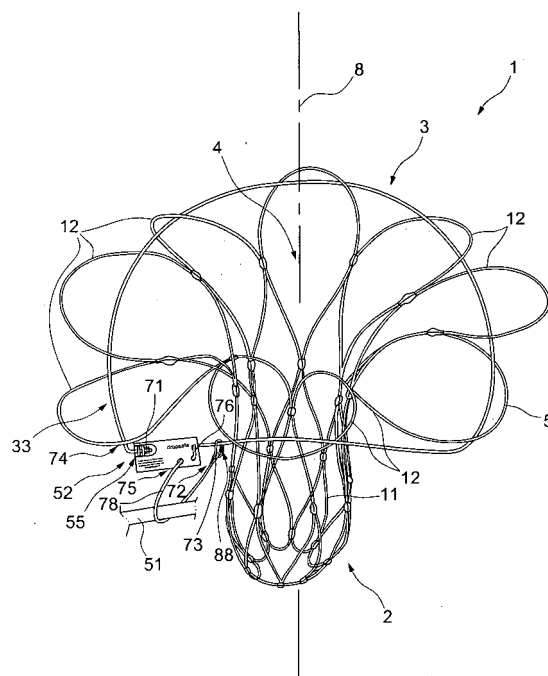


FIG.1

**PARTIAL EUROPEAN SEARCH REPORT**

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under Rule 62a and/or 63 of the European Patent Convention.  
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subsequent proceedings, as the European search report

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<p>The Search Division considers that the present application, or one or more of its claims, does/do not comply with the EPC so that only a partial search (R.62a, 63) has been carried out.</p> <p>Claims searched completely :</p> <p>Claims searched incompletely :</p> <p>Claims not searched :</p> <p>Reason for the limitation of the search:</p> <p>see sheet C</p>			
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Claim(s) completely searchable:  
1-11, 13

Claim(s) not searched:  
12

Reason for the limitation of the search:

Claims 1 and 12 have been drafted as separate independent claims. Under Article 84 in combination with Rule 43(2) EPC, an application may contain more than one independent claim in a particular category only if the subject-matter claimed falls within one or more of the exceptional situations set out in paragraph (a), (b) or (c) of Rule 43(2) EPC. This is not the case in the present application, however, as claims 1 and 12 are non inter-related product claims.

In reply to the invitation to indicate the claims on which the search is to be based, the applicant failed to supply the requested indication in due time. Thus, the search report has been drawn up on the basis of the first independent claim of each category (Rule 62a(1) EPC): Claims 1-11, 13 were searched.

The applicant's attention is drawn to the fact that the application will be further prosecuted on the basis of subject-matter for which a search has been carried out and that the claims should be limited to that subject-matter at a later stage of the proceedings (Rule 62a(2) EPC).

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