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Investment casting mould.

A method and material for the manufacture of investment casting moulds are described. The moulds so produced comprise relatively large alumina particles contained in a matrix of fine alumina flour and a siliceous bonding phase. Preferably at least a part of the alumina flour is constituted by alumina known as "reactive alumina". Preferably the shell mould is fired at a temperature sufficiently high to allow at least a part of the silica to combine with the alumina flour to form mullite in the matrix.

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