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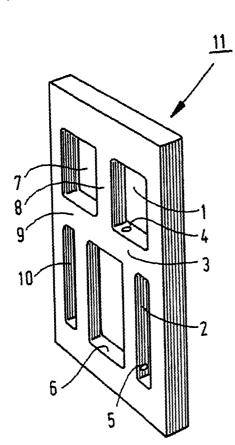
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(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a cell element (11) for use in a device for subjecting a chloride compound to an electrolytic process, wherein several electrolytic cells are electrically connected in series, said cells consisting of said cell element, a bipolar electrode and a diaphragm or a semi-permeable membrane, wherein said cell element includes an electrolyte space (1, 2) and an electrode space. The invention is characterized in that the electrolyte space (1, 2) and the electrode space (6) are in direct communication with each other, wherein the electrolyte space is subdivided into a first and a second electrolyte chamber by a dividing element (3).

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