(19) World Intellectual Property Organization

International Bureau





(43) International Publication Date 9 April 2009 (09.04.2009)

(10) International Publication Number WO 2009/045300 A3

(51) International Patent Classification: C08F 10/00 (2006.01) C07F 17/00 (2006.01) C08F 4/6592 (2006.01)

(21) International Application Number:

PCT/US2008/011055

(22) International Filing Date:

24 September 2008 (24.09.2008)

(25) Filing Language:

English

(26) Publication Language:

English

(30) Priority Data:

11/904,728 28 September 2007 (28.09.2007) LIS

(71) Applicant (for all designated States except US): CHEVRON PHILLIPS CHEMICAL COMPANY LP [US/US]; 10001 Six Pines Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77380 (US).

(71) Applicants and

(72) Inventors: YANG, Qing [CN/US]; 2917 Montrose Drive, Bartlesville, Oklahoma 74006 (US). CRAIN, Tony R. [US/US]; 474 Rd 30, Niotaze, Kansas 67355 (US).

(74) Agent: HUSEMAN, Cheryl L.; Chevron Phillips Chemical Company LP, 10001 Six Pines Drive, The Woodlands, Texas 77380 (US).

(81) Designated States (unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of national protection available): AE, AG, AL, AM, AO, AT, AU, AZ, BA, BB, BG, BH, BR, BW, BY, BZ, CA, CH, CN, CO, CR, CU, CZ, DE, DK, DM, DO, DZ, EC, EE, EG, ES, FI, GB, GD, GE, GH, GM, GT, HN, HR, HU, ID, IL, IN, IS, JP, KE, KG, KM, KN, KP, KR, KZ, LA, LC, LK, LR, LS, LT, LU, LY, MA, MD, ME, MG, MK, MN, MW, MX, MY, MZ, NA, NG, NI, NO, NZ, OM, PG, PH, PL, PT, RO, RS, RU, SC, SD, SE, SG, SK, SL, SM, ST, SV, SY, TJ, TM, TN, TR, TT, TZ, UA, UG, US, UZ, VC, VN, ZA, ZM, ZW

(84) Designated States (unless otherwise indicated, for every kind of regional protection available): ARIPO (BW, GH, GM, KE, LS, MW, MZ, NA, SD, SL, SZ, TZ, UG, ZM, ZW), Eurasian (AM, AZ, BY, KG, KZ, MD, RU, TJ, TM), European (AT, BE, BG, CH, CY, CZ, DE, DK, EE, ES, FI, FR, GB, GR, HR, HU, IE, IS, IT, LT, LU, LV, MC, MT, NL, NO, PL, PT, RO, SE, SI, SK, TR), OAPI (BF, BJ, CF, CG, CI, CM, GA, GN, GQ, GW, ML, MR, NE, SN, TD, TG).

Published:

- with international search report
- before the expiration of the time limit for amending the claims and to be republished in the event of receipt of amendments
- (88) Date of publication of the international search report: 9 July 2009

(54) Title: POLYMERIZATION CATALYSTS FOR PRODUCING POLYMERS WITH HIGH COMONOMER INCORPORA-TION

(57) Abstract: The present techniques relate to catalyst compositions, methods, and polymers encompassing a Group 4 metallocene compound comprising bridged 5-cyclopentadienyl-type ligands, typically in combination with a cocatalyst, and a activator. The bridged 5-cyclopentadienyl-type ligands are connected by a cyclic substituent. The catalysts of the present techniques may be more effective at the incorporation of comonomers into the backbone of a polyolefin polymer.

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No PCT/US2008/011055

CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER NV C.08F10/00 C08F4/6592 INV. COSF10/00 C07F17/00 According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC **B. FIELDS SEARCHED** Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols) C08F C07F Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used) EPO-Internal, CHEM ABS Data C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT Category* Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages Relevant to claim No. X ALT, HELMUT G. ET AL: "Syndiospecific 1,2,8, polymerization of propylene: new 12,15, 17,20 metallocene complexes of type (C13H8-nRnCR'R''C5H4)MC12 (n = 0,2; R =Alkyl, Aryl, Hal; R', R'' = H, Alkyl, Aryl; M = Zr, Hf) with special regard for different bridge substituents" JOURNAL OF ORGANOMETALLIC CHEMISTRY, 518(1-2), 7-15 CODEN: JORCAI; ISSN: 0022-328X, 1996, XP008098921 examples 3b,3c; table 4 1,2,8, χ EP 1 138 687 A1 (MITSUI CHEMICALS, INC., JAPAN MITSUI CHEMICALS, INC., JAPAN) 12,15, 4 October 2001 (2001-10-04) 17,20,22 page 232 - page 233; example 22 -/--X Further documents are listed in the continuation of Box C. See patent family annex. Special categories of cited documents: "T" later document published after the international filing date or priority date and not in conflict with the application but cited to understand the principle or theory underlying the "A" document defining the general state of the art which is not considered to be of particular relevance invention "E" earlier document but published on or after the international "X" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered novel or cannot be considered to document which may throw doubts on priority claim(s) or which is cited to establish the publication date of another citation or other special reason (as specified) involve an inventive step when the document is taken alone "Y" document of particular relevance; the claimed invention cannot be considered to involve an inventive step when the document is combined with one or more other such docudocument referring to an oral disclosure, use, exhibition or ments, such combination being obvious to a person skilled in the art. other means *P* document published prior to the international filing date but later than the priority date claimed "&" document member of the same patent family Date of the actual completion of the international search Date of mailing of the international search report 25 February 2009 26/05/2009 Name and mailing address of the ISA/ Authorized officer European Patent Office, P.B. 5818 Patentlaan 2 NL - 2280 HV Rijswijk Tel. (+31-70) 340-2040, Fax: (+31-70) 340-3016 Parry, Julian

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

International application No
PCT/US2008/011055

C(Continua	tion). DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT	1017 00200	8/011055
Category*			Data and the same
X	US 2007/179044 A1 (YANG QING [US] ET AL)		Relevant to claim No. 1-25
	2 August 2007 (2007-08-02) figure 1		
A	WO 92/09640 A (IDEMITSU KOSAN CO [JP]) 11 June 1992 (1992-06-11) page 7, line 5 - line 17 examples 9-18		1–25
-			
		ļ	
			,
	10 (continuation of second sheet) (April 2005)		

International application No. PCT/US2008/011055

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)	
This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:	
1. Claims Nos.: because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:	
2. Claims Nos.: because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:	
3. Claims Nos.: because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).	
Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)	
This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:	
see additional sheet	
As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.	
2. As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying an additional fees, this Authority did not invite payment of additional fees.	
3. As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search reportcovers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.: 1-25 (in part)	
4. No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:	
The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest and, where applicable, the payment of a protest fee. The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid within the time limit specified in the invitation. No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.	

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=C, Cyc=C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

2. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=C, Cyc=C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

3. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=C, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

4. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=C, Cyc=C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

5. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=C, Cyc=C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

6. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=C, Cyc=C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

7. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Si, Cyc=C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

8. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Si, Cyc= C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

9. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Si, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

10. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Si, Cyc= C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

11. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Si, Cyc= C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

12. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Si, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

13. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Ge, Cyc= C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

14. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Ge, Cyc= C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

15. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Ge, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

16. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Ge, Cyc= C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

17. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Ge, Cyc= C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

18. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Ge, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTINUED FROM PCT/ISA/ 210

19. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Sn, Cyc= C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

20. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Sn, Cyc= C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

21. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Sn, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkyl group

22. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Sn, Cyc= C4 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

23. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Sn, Cyc= C5 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

24. claims: 1-25 (in part)

The subject matter of claims 1-25 (in part) where E=Sn, Cyc= C6 and one substituent on X1 or X2 is an alkenyl group

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

Information on patent family members

International application No
PCT/US2008/011055

Patent document cited in search report		Publication date	Patent family member(s)		Publication date	
EP 1138687	A1	04-10-2001	CN DE WO US US	1327448 A 60034308 T 0127124 A 2005228155 A 6939928 E	Γ2 A 1 A 1	19-12-2001 20-12-2007 19-04-2001 13-10-2005 06-09-2005
US 2007179044	A1	02-08-2007	AR AU CA EP KR WO	059664 A 2007212128 A 2641255 A 1984408 A 20080100439 A 2007092753 A	41 41 42 4	23-04-2008 16-08-2007 16-08-2007 29-10-2008 18-11-2008 16-08-2007
WO 9209640	A	11-06-1992	DE DE EP US	69127811	Τ2 A1	06-11-1997 26-03-1998 19-11-1992 29-11-1994