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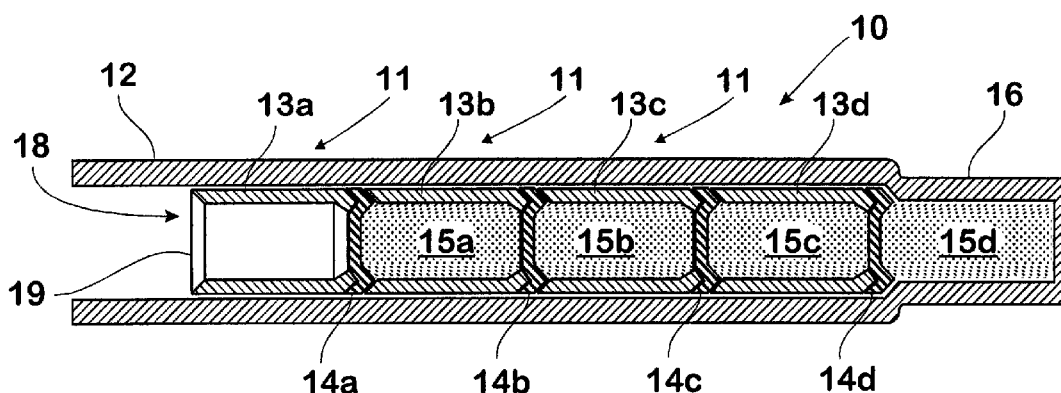
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(57) **Abstract:** A barrel assembly (10) for munitions and firearms, said barrel assembly including a barrel (12) having a muzzle with a plurality of tubular rounds (11) stacked axially within the barrel together with discrete selectively ignitable propellant charges (15). The rounds (11) suitably include tubular bodies (13a, 13b, 13c, 13d) and closure means (14a, 14b, 14c, 14d) interposed between the tubular rounds for effecting both an operative barrel closure between the tubular rounds (11) and operative sealing engagement with the barrel (12). The propellant charges (15) are contained within each round (11) and selectively ignitable (15a) for propelling an adjacent leading round (13a) and associated closure means (14a) through the muzzle of the barrel.



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