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### INCIDENT NOTICE

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**INCIDENT TITLE:** 26 October 2018: Germany -Black Powder Incident

<b>DATE POSTED</b>	<b>REFERENCE</b>	<b>SOURCE</b>
2 November 2018	IN18-10	MAXAM
<b>INCIDENT OUTLINE</b>		
<b>When did it happen?</b>	Friday, October 26 ,2018 at 09:00 am (local time)	
<b>Who experienced it?</b>	WANO Schwarzpulver GmbH	
<b>Where did it happen?</b>	Kunigunde Black Powder Plant	
<b>What material was involved?</b>	Black Powder	
<b>What happened?</b>	An initiation took place in the roll crusher phase of the Black Powder manufacturing process during normal operation.	
<b>Why did it happen – theory?</b>	The possible causes are still under investigation and we are collaborating with the authorities to learn about the causes. An investigation team of experts are working on the incident. More information will be gathered when the investigation is completed.	
<b>What was the impact?</b>	One employee incurred severe burns and was immediately transferred to a special hospital, where he's receiving medical treatment.	

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