

Title (en)  
AUTOMATICALLY-THREADING FIBER PLACEMENT HEAD

Title (de)  
AUTOMATISCH GEWINDESCHNEIDENDER FASERPLATZIERUNGSKOPF

Title (fr)  
TÊTE DE PLACEMENT DE FIBRE À INTRODUCTION AUTOMATIQUE

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[origin: WO2022050942A1] A fiber placement head assembly for applying a plurality of composite tape segments on a mold that includes a fiber placement head configured to receive composite tape from a composite tape source and apply the composite tape to the mold. The assembly also includes one or more air-operating conveyors, coupled with the fiber placement head, each having an inlet that is configured to receive an end of composite tape from the composite tape source, an outlet configured to provide the end of composite tape to the fiber placement head, and one or more inline vacuum conveyors that are configured to receive compressed fluid from a source and direct the compressed fluid toward the outlet thereby transporting the end of the composite tape from the inlet to the outlet and into the fiber placement head.

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