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54 Shaving apparatus and cutting unit therefor.

57 The invention relates to a shaving apparatus comprising a drivable cutting unit (5) with cutters (23), each cutter being equipped with a lead cutter (24) which leads in the direction of driving and which is movable relative to the cutter (23). The lead cutters serve to slightly pull the hairs, so that a better shaving result can be obtained. The distance over which the hairs can be moved is limited by the shape and dimensions of the cutter and the lead cutter and by the properties of the hairs and the skin. It is the object of the invention to eliminate this restriction and this leads to a construction in accordance with which each cutter (23), in addition to the said first lead cutter (24), is equipped with a second lead cutter (25) which leads relative to the first lead cutter (24) and which second lead cutter (25) is movable relative to the first lead cutter (24).

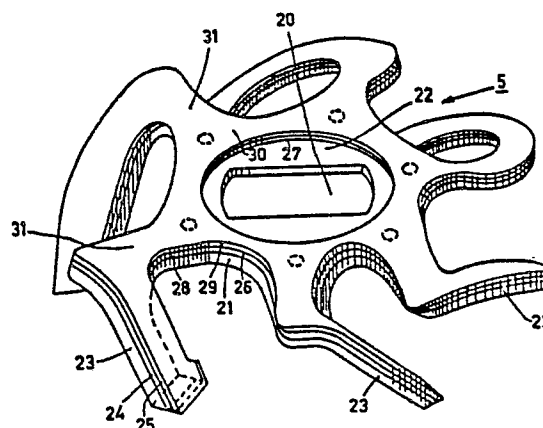


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