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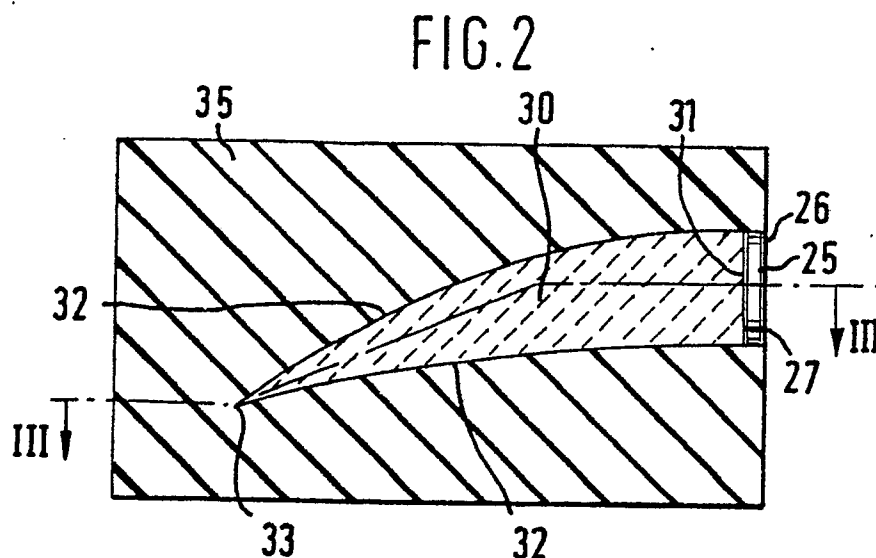
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(54) Acoustic transducer backing in the shape of a Wood's horn.

(57) The unwanted acoustic energy from the back side of an acoustic transducer (25) is fully absorbed in a Wood's Horn styled acoustic energy trap (30) embedded in an acoustically absorbing material

(35). Also, the impedance of the transducer (25) and backing (30) can be exactly matched, thereby increasing the frequency bandwidth.



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