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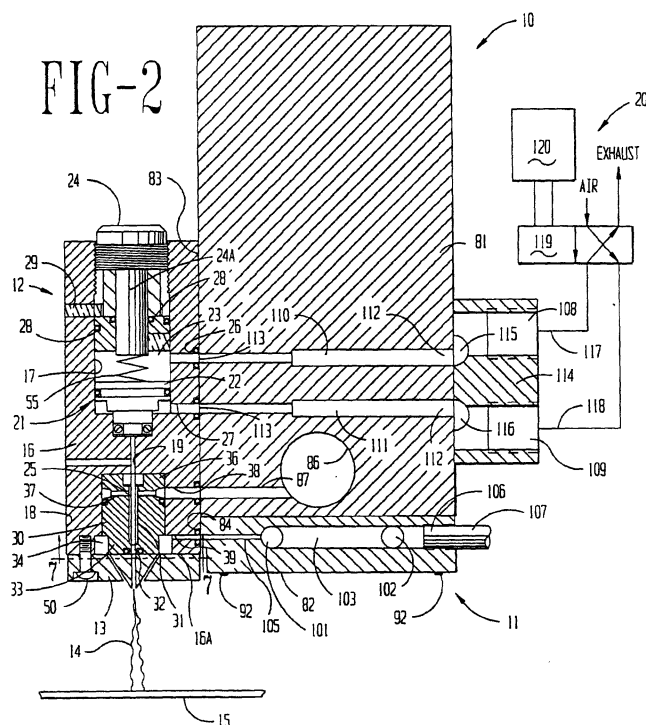
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(54) **Modular meltblowing die**

(57) A meltblowing die includes a die tip having an outwardly projecting triangular nosepiece defining an apex therealong, a row of hot melt holes spaced along the apex, and air holes positioned in relation to the hot melt holes to cause at least some of the filaments dis-

charging therefrom to flare outwardly so that the hot melt filaments deposited on an underlying moving substrate has a lateral dimension greater than the length of the row of hot melt holes. The die may be operated to cause the filaments to be deposited on the substrate in a side-by-side sinusoidal, stitch-like pattern.



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