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(54) **Footwear wiper**

(57) A footwear wiper (20) comprises an outer metal wire frame (22), a series of rubber or plastics separators (10) each extending between two opposite parallel sides of the outer frame (20), a series of twisted-in fibre rods

(30), each extending parallel to the two sides of the frame through holes (14) in the separators (10) and further twisted-in fibre rods (32A, 32B, 32C) raised from the level of the base mat. This allows both the sides and bottom of the footwear to be cleaned efficiently.

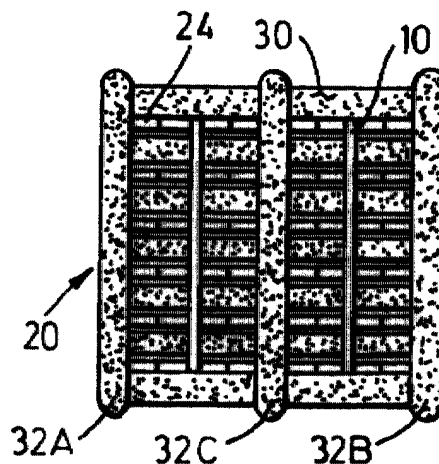


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