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(54) **Ironing Apparatus**

(57) Ironing apparatus comprising at least an ironing board (11), which comprises distribution holes (20) able to distribute air and/or steam, and/or suction holes (21) able to suck in air and/or steam. First connection ele-

ments (16) are provided to selectively connect the distribution holes (20), and/or the suction holes (21), to apparatuses to deliver air and/or steam, and/or to apparatuses able to generate a suction flow (14).

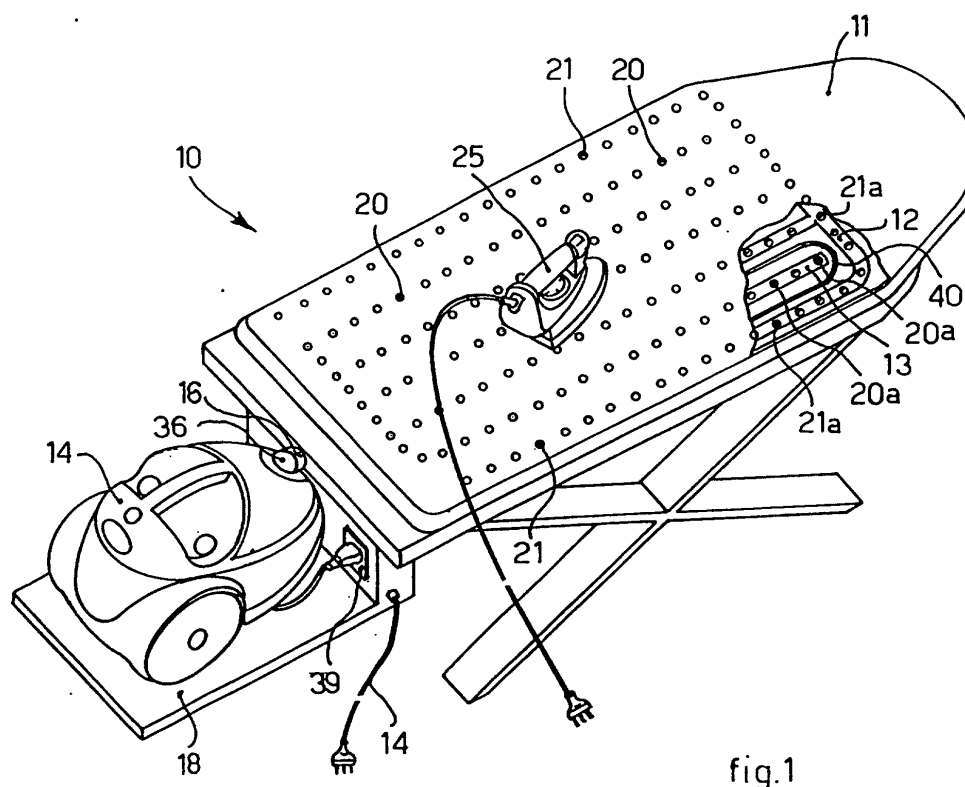


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