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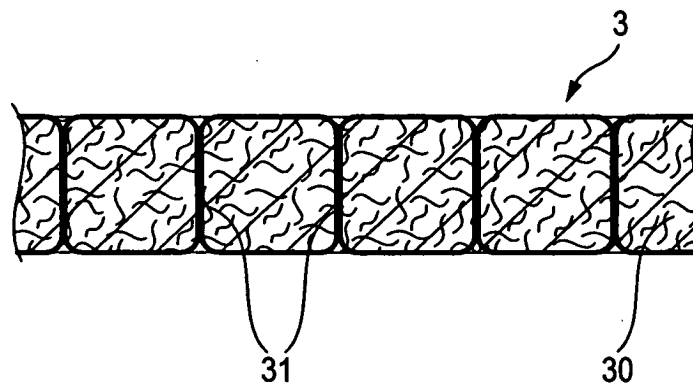
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(54) **Holding Material for Catalytic Converter**

(57) A holding material (3) is provided for a catalytic converter having a catalyst carrier (1), a casing (2) for receiving the catalyst carrier (1). The holding material (3) is interposed in a gap between the catalyst carrier

(1) and the casing (2) while wound on the catalyst carrier (1). The holding material (3) is constituted by a sewn product of a mat material (30) formed by collection of not smaller than 100 cc/5 g by wet volume of inorganic fiber without use of any binder.

**FIG. 1**





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