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(54) **Brassiere with pocket**

(57) An accessory for women (1) suitable to be worn comprises a bra (4) and a pocket (22) suitable to contain objects such as a mobile phone, keys, lipstick and similar, bank notes, coins, a purse and similar. The pocket (22)

extends from said bra so as to be positioned, when accessory (1) is worn, in the part of the female chest free from breasts. The pocket presents internally a number of compartments, which form pouches suitable to hold identity documents, credit cards and similar.

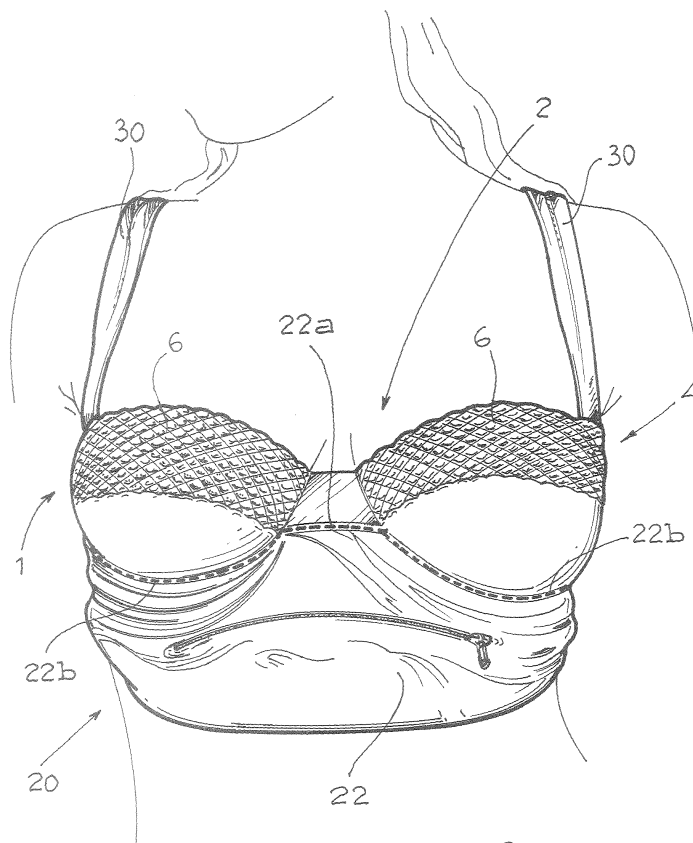


Fig. 6

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Description

[0001] . The subject of the present invention is an accessory for women suitable to be worn.

[0002] . The handbag has always been one of the most utilised accessories for women, with the aim of containing small objects of daily use.

[0003] . For example, these could include a small makeup case, a packet for paper tissues, a purse, a mobile phone and so on.

[0004] . The handbag has thus been affirmed over time as an indispensable accessory, especially in the contemporary age in which lifestyles have seen women ever more involved in continuous travel and trips for business or pleasure.

[0005] . However, use of a handbag is often inconvenient, especially on trips and evenings out, for example at the disco, where it must be either left unguarded or carried, obstructing movement.

[0006] . The need is therefore felt for the availability of an accessory in which to keep small objects of daily use, that is both easily transportable and at the same time leaves full possibility of movement.

[0007] . Accessories of the type mentioned above are demonstrated, for example, in US document US 2,492,862 and DE-A1-3203872.

[0008] . However, the known accessories present some difficulties. Principally, such accessories are supplied with a pocket often too small to enable said objects to be adequately held.

[0009] . Scope of the present invention is that of preparing an accessory that satisfies said requirements and at the same time overcomes the disadvantages noted with reference to the known solutions, in particular with reference to the space available for holding objects.

[0010] . The scope of the present invention is reached by an accessory realised according to claim 1. The claims dependent on this describe embodiments of the invention.

[0011] . The characteristics and advantages of the present invention are evident from the description reported below of a preferred, indicative and non limiting embodiment, according to the attached drawings, wherein:

[0012] . - figure 1 demonstrates a perspective view of the accessory, indicatively shown worn by a woman;

[0013] . - figure 2 shows a further embodiment of the accessory according to the invention;

[0014] . - figure 3 shows a further embodiment of the accessory according to the invention, worn over a top;

[0015] . - figure 4 shows a further embodiment of the accessory according to the invention, worn over a turtle-neck top;

[0016] . - figure 5 shows a further embodiment of the accessory according to the invention, worn over a sun top;

[0017] . - figure 6 shows a preferred embodiment of the accessory according to the invention.

[0018] . In accordance with the attached figures, 1 indicates an accessory according to the present invention as a whole.

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[0019] . Accessory 1 comprises a bodice portion 2, suitable to be worn by a woman, comprising a means of support suitable to support a woman's bust.

[0020] . For example, said means of support comprises a bra 4.

[0021] . Said bra 4 presents at least one supporting element. According to an embodiment, said supporting element comprises a cup element 6, realised in a material suitable for containing and supporting the bust.

[0022] . According to a further embodiment, said supporting element comprises an underwire, which is positioned under the bust to support it when the bra is worn.

[0023] . Furthermore, said accessory 1 comprises a holder portion 20 that extends to said means of support.

[0024] . In other words, said accessory 1, when worn, presents the holder portion 20 which is at least partially positioned on the woman's chest, preferably in the space free of bust.

[0025] . According to a further embodiment, said holder portion extends along the woman's trunk, for example below the bust.

[0026] . According to a further embodiment, said holder portion extends from the means of support to the stomach.

[0027] . The holder portion 20 presents a pocket 22 suitable to hold objects such as a makeup case, a mobile phone and similar.

[0028] . Preferably, said pocket 22 is realised from material extending from the bra and folded, forming said pocket.

[0029] . According to a preferred embodiment, said pocket is at least partially delimited by an intermediate section 22a, for example sewn, preferably rectilinear, that extends between the cups of the bra, preferably placed in a position between the top and bottom of these.

[0030] . Furthermore, said pocket 22 is preferably delimited by lateral sections 22b, for example sewn, that extend along the lower edge of the bra cups.

[0031] . According to a preferred embodiment, said pocket presents internally at least one dividing wall, suitable to define separate compartments, or pouches, within the pockets, suitable to carry identity documents and similar.

[0032] . Preferably, said material is elastic and is suitable to substantially adhere to the woman's body.

[0033] . According to a preferred embodiment, said accessory 1 comprises a holding means suitable to hold said accessory 1 to the woman's body.

[0034] . Preferably, said holding means comprises at least one strap 30 that when accessory 1 is worn, supports it on the woman's shoulder.

[0035] . According to a further embodiment, said holding means comprises, for example in the back part of bodice 2, a closure with buttons, with a fastener, with laces, with a buckle and so on, suitable to hold the bodice to the woman's body.

[0036] . In normal use of accessory 1, the bodice 2 is worn positioning the straps 30 on the shoulders.

[0037] . The bra supports the bust, possibly cooperating with the closure positioned on the back of bodice 2.

[0038] . The pocket 22 of the holding means is placed in the hollow below and/or between the breasts.

[0039] . Advantageously, said pocket is usable to contain small objects.

[0040] . In a further use of accessory 1, an item of clothing, for example a top 50, is worn directly on the body, that is without a bra or other item of lingerie worn below the top.

[0041] . The accessory 1 is worn above the top, so that a portion of the worn top is positioned between the straps 30 and the shoulders.

[0042] . Advantageously, said portion of top forms an intermediate layer between the straps and the shoulders, protecting them from the action of the straps.

[0043] . Advantageously, wearing said accessory above an item of clothing in contact with the skin limits strap marks, stretch marks, broken capillaries, damage from metal parts, reddening, chafing and so on.

[0044] . Said advantages are even more evident if one considers the fact that the shoulders do not bear the weight of any bag.

[0045] . Furthermore, the accessory worn in this way has a pleasing appearance because it leaves the bust in view but at the same time does not leave it uncovered, and also allows the bust to be in contact with comfortable materials.

[0046] . Innovatively, the accessory according to the present invention permits use of the available space below the breast to place objects.

[0047] . According to a further embodiment, said accessory is realised in combination with an item of clothing comprising, for example, a skirt, top and similar.

[0048] . Also anticipated is a bag suitable to contain at least one accessory according to the present invention or at least one item of clothing. Said bag comprises water-permeable walls and preferably a closure suitable to prevent the exit of said accessory from said bag.

[0049] . In one embodiment, said bag contains a sacrificial means suitable to absorb a coloured liquid.

[0050] . For example, said sacrificial means comprises a portion of material, for example sewn to the bag, adapted to absorb the coloured liquid formed during the washing of coloured items of clothing and adapted, advantageously, to dye the accessory.

[0051] . The bag is usable for machine washing the accessory or item of clothing and, advantageously, avoids the accessory or item of clothing becoming creased.

[0052] . It is clear that a person skilled in the art, with the aim of satisfying contingent and specific requirements, could bring numerous modifications to the above described accessory, all however contained within the scope of protection as defined in the following claims.

Claims

1. Accessory (1) suitable to be worn, especially by women, comprising means of support (4) suitable to support the woman's bust, said accessory being **characterised by** the fact of also comprising a holder portion (20) suitable to contain objects such as a mobile phone, wallet or similar, said holder portion (20) being associated with said means of support.
2. Accessory according to claim 1, wherein said means of support comprises a bra (4).
3. Accessory according to claim 1 or 2, wherein said holder portion (20) extends from said bra so as to be positioned, when accessory (1) is worn, in the part of a woman's chest free from breasts.
4. Accessory according to claim 3, wherein said holder portion (20) extends from said bra so as to be positioned, when accessory (1) is worn, at least partially below said woman's breasts.
5. Accessory according to any of the preceding claims, wherein said holder portion (20) comprises a pocket (22).
6. Accessory according to claim 5, wherein said pocket (22) is delimited above by a first section (22a) that extends below the cups of a bra of said means of support.
7. Accessory according to claim 6, wherein said first section (22a) is sewn.
8. Accessory according to claim 7, wherein said first section (22a) extends to an intermediate position between the peak and bottom of said cups.
9. Accessory according to any of claims 5 to 8, wherein said pocket (22) is delimited above by lateral sections (22b) that extend below the lower edge of cups of a bra of said means of support.
10. Accessory according to claim 9, wherein said lateral sections are sewn.
11. Accessory according to any of claims 5 to 10, wherein said pocket (22) presents internally at least one dividing wall, suitable to define at least one compartment, suitable to carry identity documents and similar.
12. Accessory according to any of the preceding claims, wherein said accessory is realised in an elastic material suitable to adhere to the woman's body.
13. Accessory according to any of the preceding claims,

wherein said means of support comprises a holding means (30) suitable to hold said accessory to the woman's body.

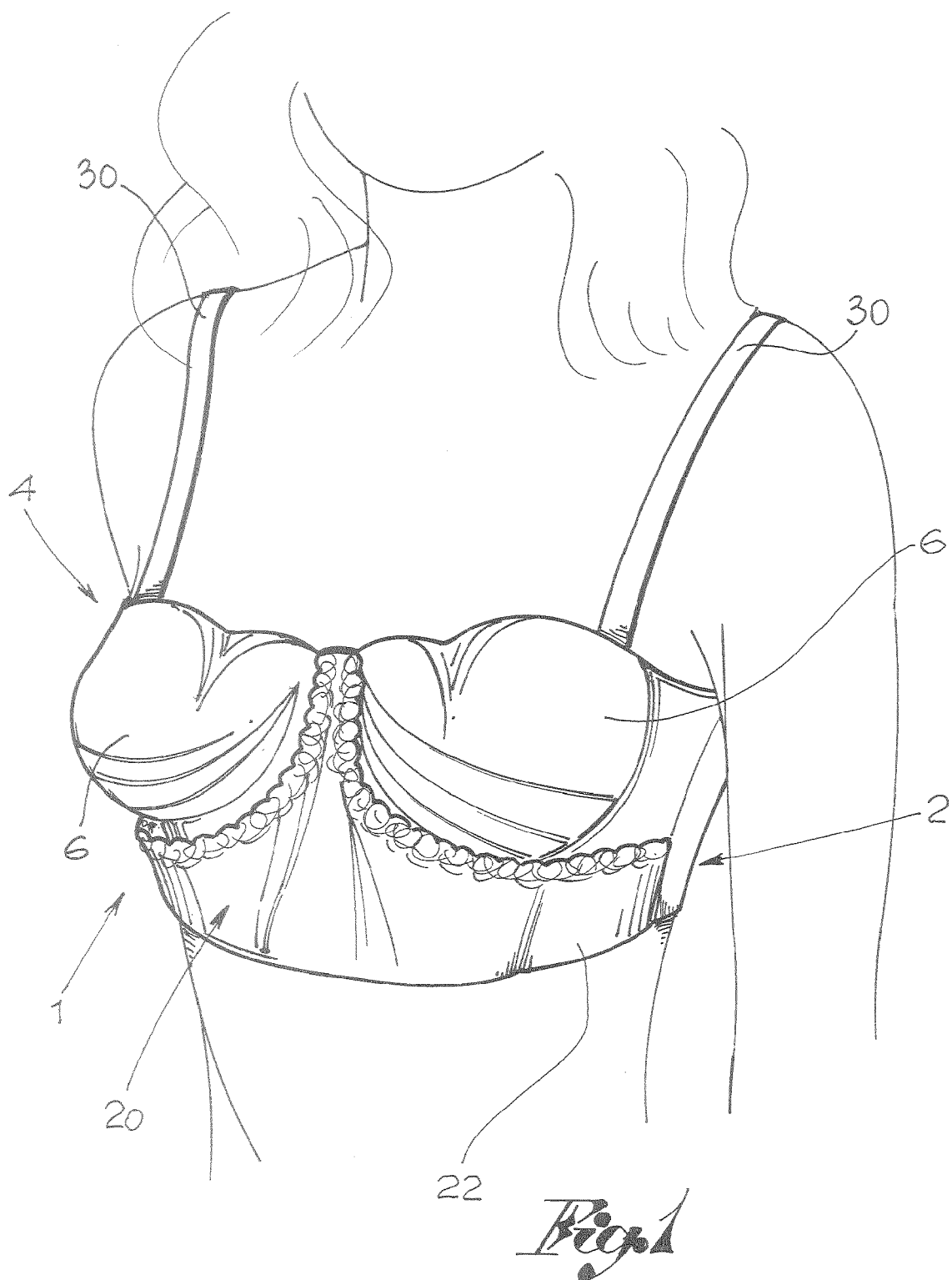
14. Accessory according to claim 13, wherein said holding means comprises at least one strap (30). 5
15. Accessory according to claim 13 or 14, wherein said holding means comprises a portion of a sleeve. 10
16. Accessory according to any of claims 13 to 15, wherein said holding means comprises at least one back closure.
17. Item of clothing comprising an accessory according to any of the preceding claims. 15
18. Bag suitable to contain at least one accessory according to any of claims 1 to 16 or at least one item of clothing according to claim 17. 20
19. Bag according to claim 18 comprising water-permeable walls.
20. Bag according to claim 18 comprising a closure suitable to prevent the exit of said accessory from said bag. 25
21. Bag according to any of claims 18 to 20, also comprising a sacrificial means suitable to absorb a coloured liquid. 30
22. Kit comprising at least one accessory according to claims 1 to 16 and at least one bag according to claims 17 to 21. 35

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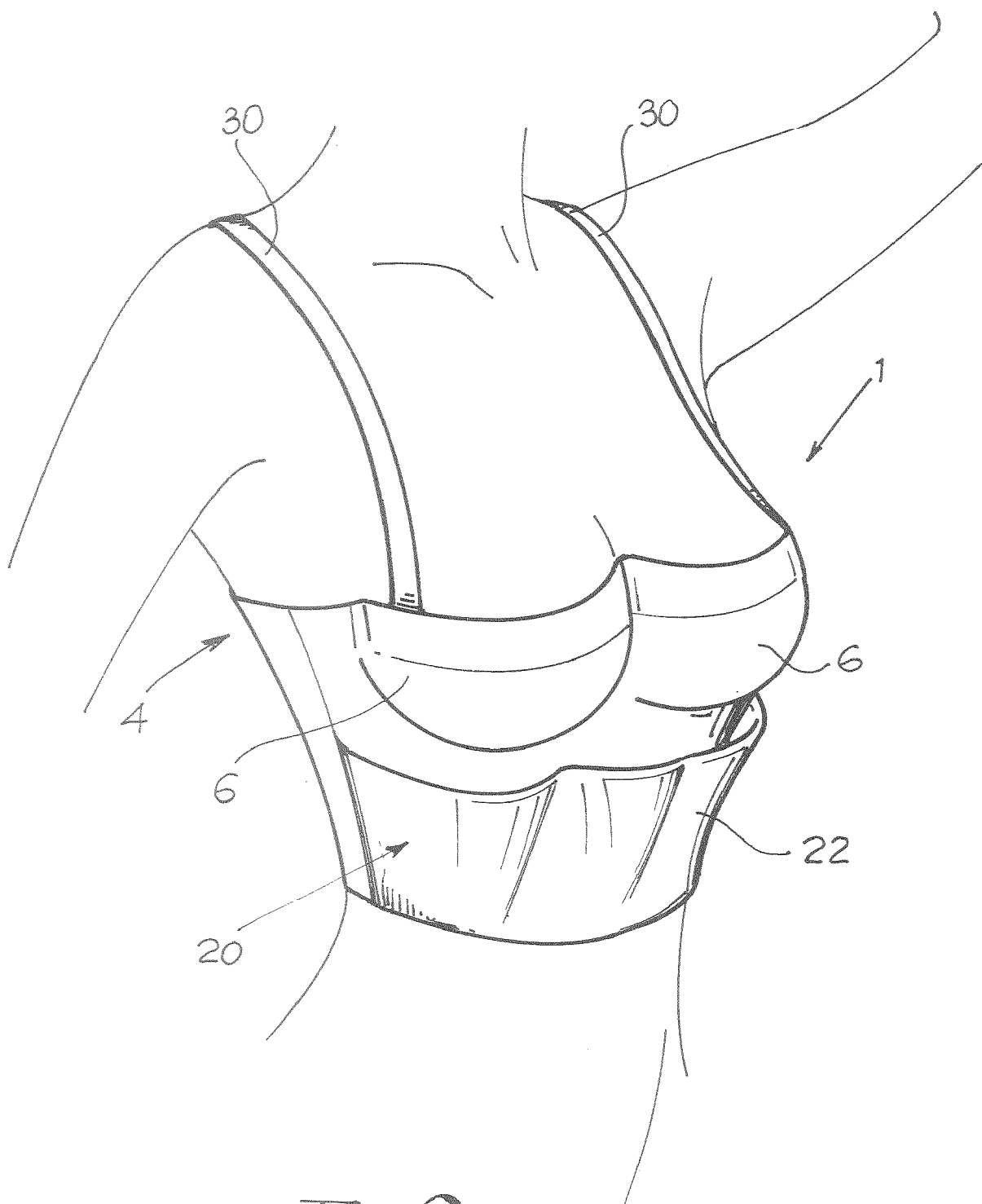
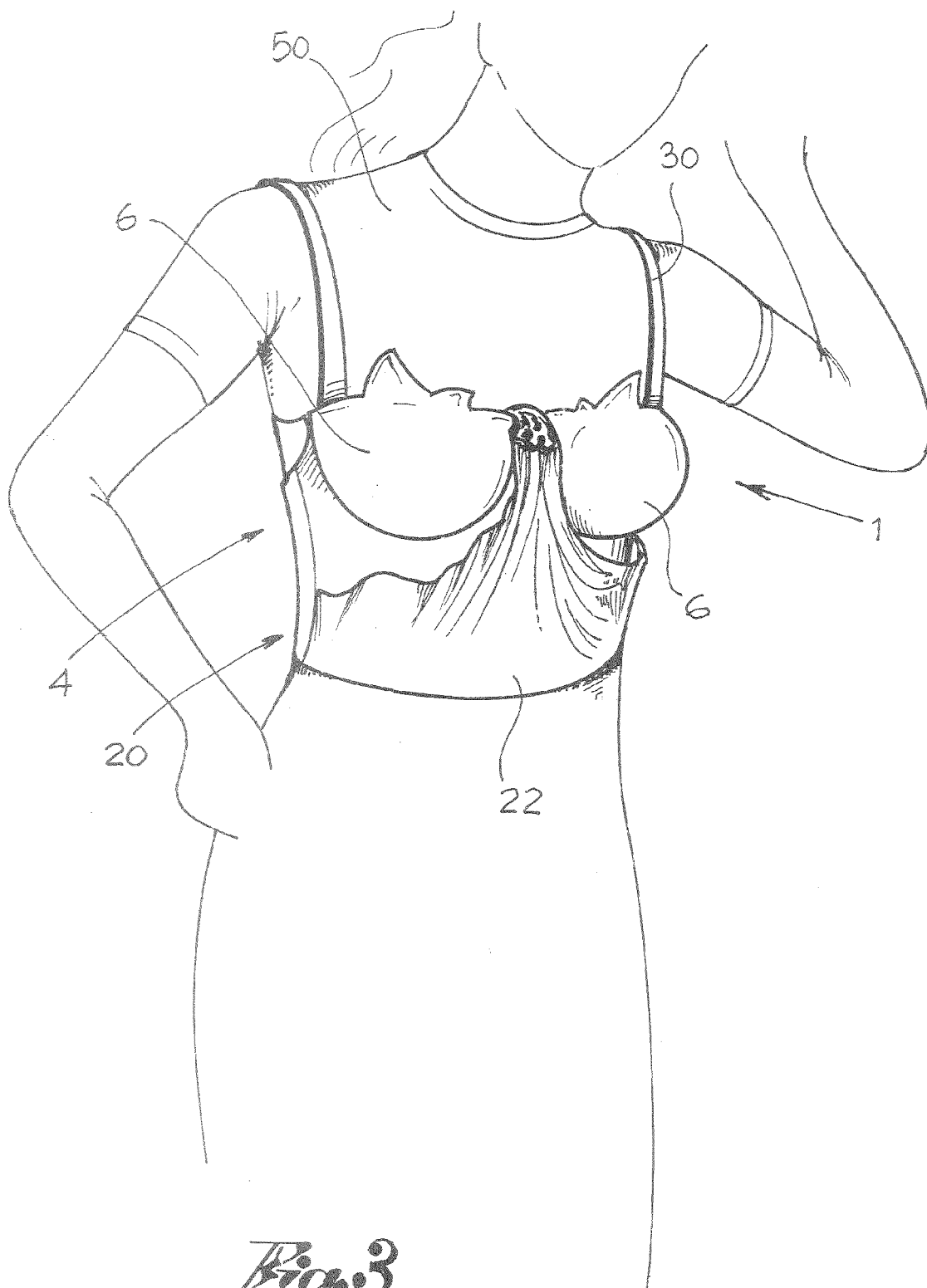


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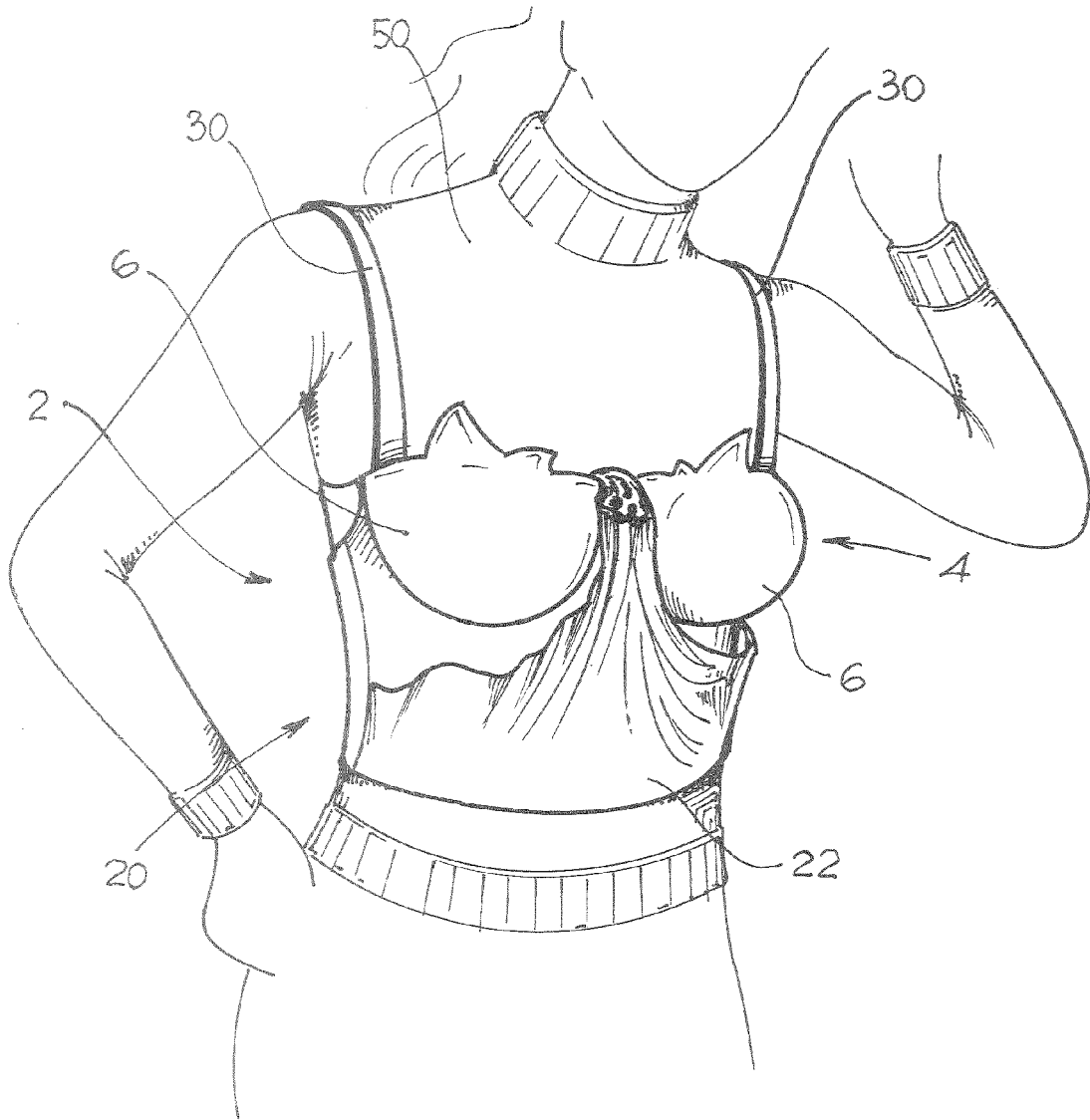


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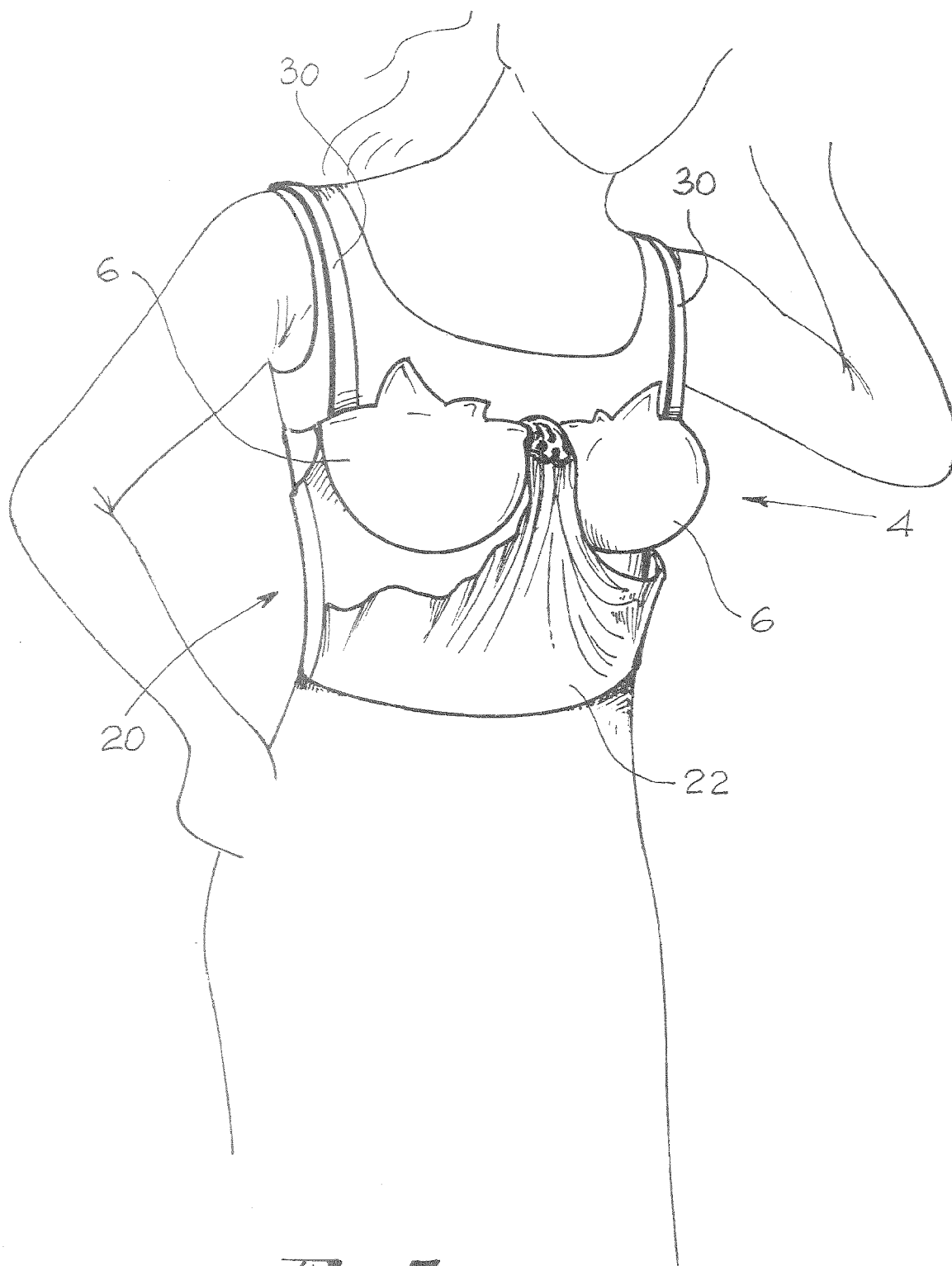


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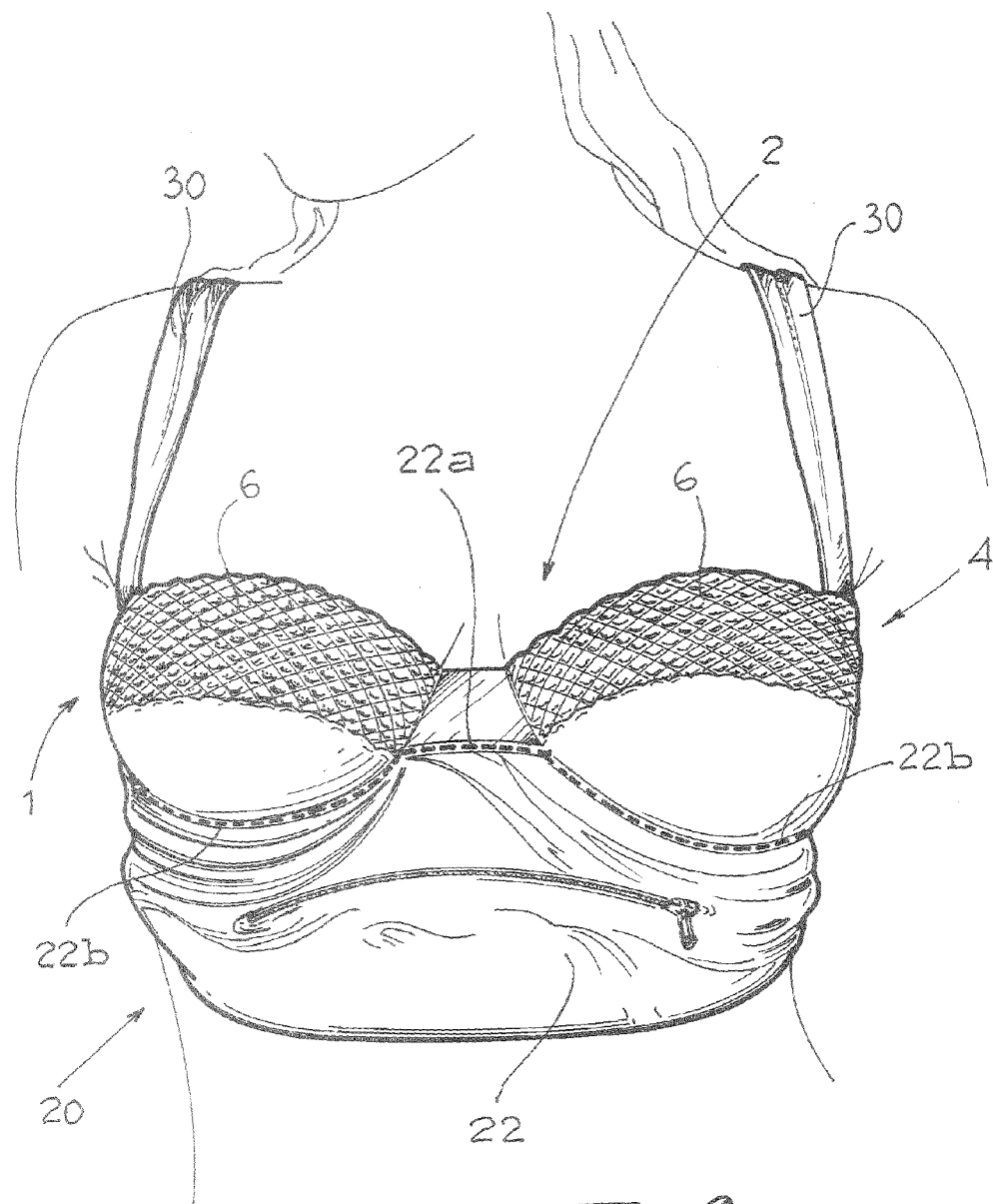


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