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### (54) Machine and method for treating a fabric under pressure and/or depression

(57) Machine (10) for treating a fabric (14) under pressure and/or depression, comprising a feed element (17) and a collection element (18) for the fabric (14). The machine (10) also comprises at least a closed sealed intermediate chamber (12) positioned between a first treatment chamber (11) and the outer environment, or

between two adjacent treatment chambers, kept at pressures different and autonomous from each other. The feed element (17) can be located in the outer environment or in one of the treatment chambers, and the collection element (18) can be located in the outer environment or in another treatment chamber.

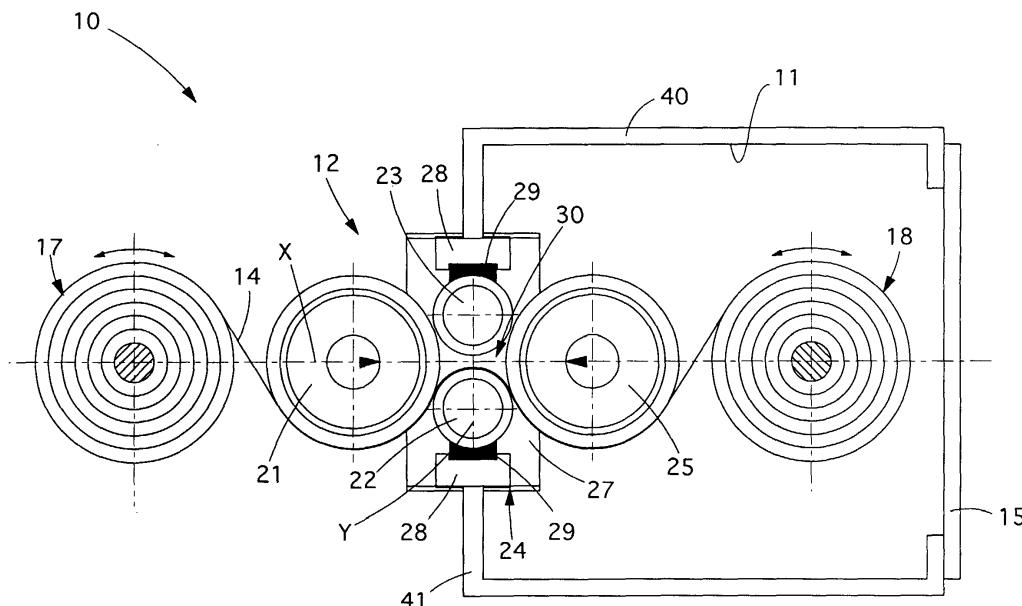


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