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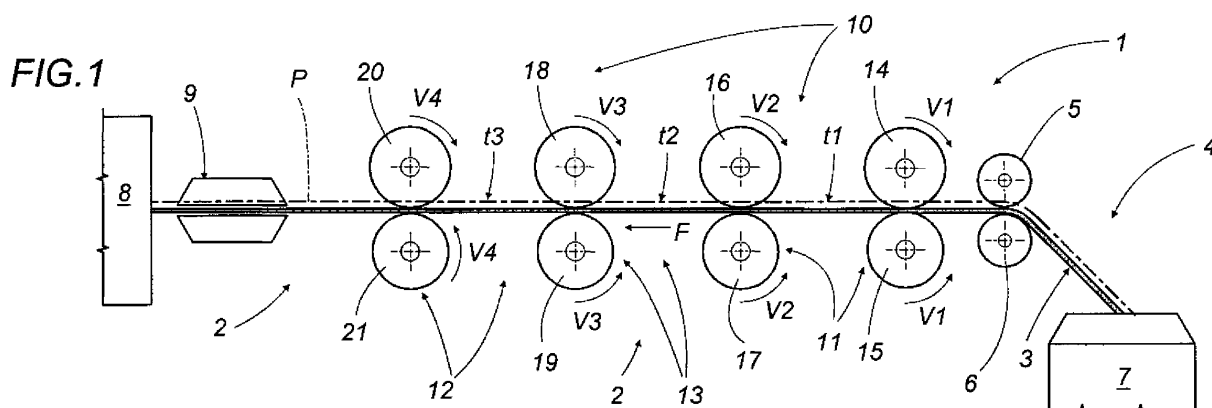
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(54) **An apparatus for processing at least one strip of filters material in the tobacco industry**

(57) Described is an apparatus for the processing of at least one strip (3) of filter material in the tobacco industry comprising, along a path (P) for advancing and

processing of the strip (3), two terminal units for stretching the strip (3) between which is fitted at least one intermediate unit for additional stretching or relaxation of the strip (3).





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