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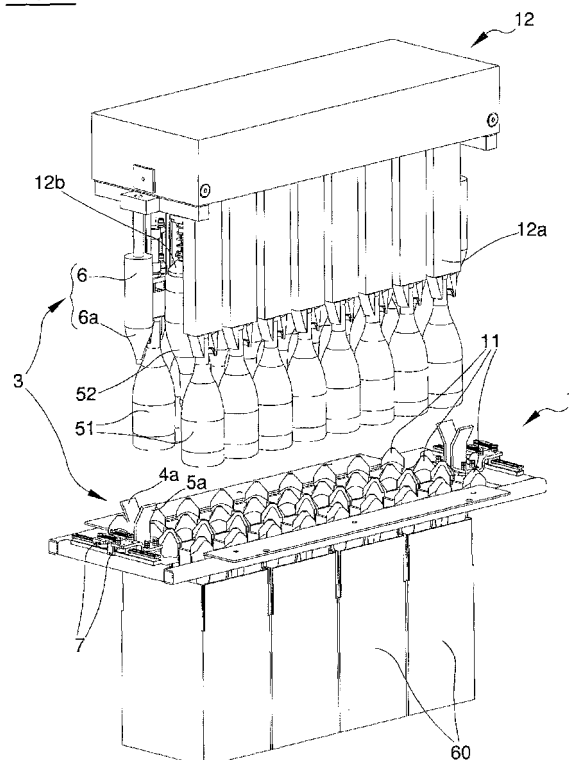
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(54) **A centring device and a bottle-packing machine**

(57) The centring device for bottle-packing, comprising: a cellular structure (2) which defines a plurality of openings (21, 22, 23) predisposed for enabling passage of bottles (51, 52); regulating means (3), predisposed to determine a change in size and/or conformation of the openings (21, 22, 23) during passage of the bottles (51, 52), such that each opening (21, 22, 23) enables progressive passage of consecutive sections of a bottle (51, 52).

Fig. 1





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