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(54) MANUFACTURING MACHINE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF DISPOSABLE CARTRIDGES

(57) A manufacturing machine (9) and manufacturing method for the production of disposable cartridges (1). Each disposable cartridge (1) has a tubular casing (2) and a quantity (4) of product housed in the tubular casing (2). The following are provided: a manufacturing drum (10), which is mounted so as to rotate in a stepped manner around a first vertical rotation axis (11) and supports at least one group (12) of first seats (13), each designed to house a corresponding tubular casing (2); and a feeding unit (18), which is designed to insert a plurality of tubular casings (2) into respective first seats (13) of the group (12) of first seats (13) standing still in a feeding station (S1). The feeding unit (18) has: a feeding drum (25), which is mounted so as to rotate in a stepped manner around a second vertical rotation axis (26) parallel to the first rotation axis (11), supports at least one group (27) of second seats (28), each designed to house a corresponding tubular casing (2), and at the feeding station (S1) partially overlaps the manufacturing drum (10), so that, in the feeding station (S1) each second seat (28) is vertically aligned with a corresponding first seat (13); a first transfer device (29) which is arranged in the feeding station (S1) and is designed to transfer the tubular casings (2) from the second seats (28) to the first seats (13) by means of a vertical movement; and a second transfer device (30) which is arranged in a first transfer station (S9) and is designed to transfer the tubular casings (2) to the second seats (28) by means of a vertical movement.

