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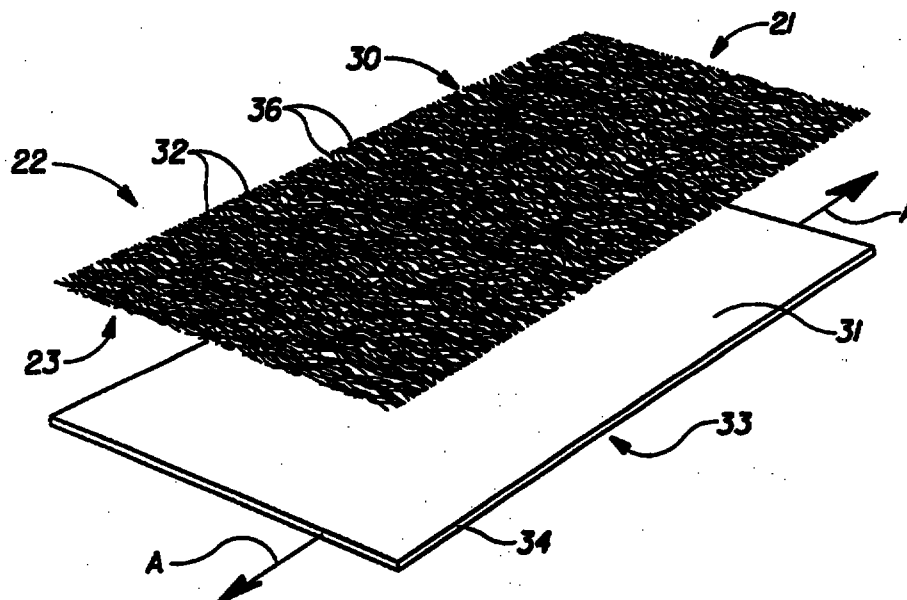
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(57) Abstract

A female component (22) for a refastenable fastening device having an elastomeric adhesive backing (34) and a multiplicity of fibrous elements (36) extending from the backing. The female fastening component (22) is formed by a method comprising the steps of: providing a first lamina comprising an elastomeric, pressure-sensitive adhesive film (34) having a first adhesive surface and a second adhesive surface opposed to said first adhesive surface, a relaxed orientation and an elongated orientation; stretching said first lamina from said relaxed orientation to said elongated orientation; contacting a second lamina comprising a nonwoven web with said first surface of said first lamina in said elongated orientation, thereby directly joining said second lamina and said first lamina to form a laminate; and relaxing said first lamina such that said second lamina is shirred to form catching regions capable of entangling the hooks of a complementary male fastening component.