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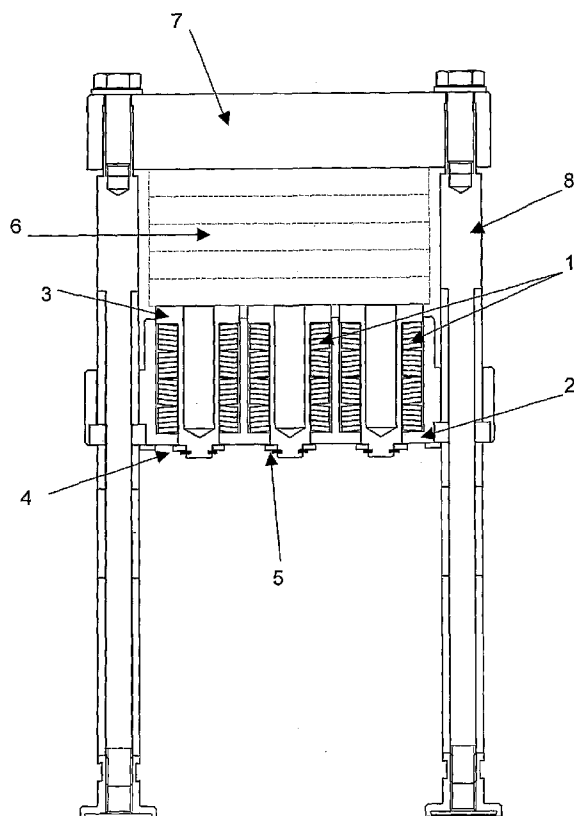
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(54) Title: A CLAMPING DEVICE FOR FLOW MODULE PLATES, REACTOR PLATES OR HEAT EXCHANGER PLATES



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a clamping device comprising two end plates (2, 7), springs (1), and tension rods (8), wherein the springs (1) are arranged on a supporting element to distribute clamping forces on one or more flow module plates, one or more reactor plates, one or more heat exchanger plates, or combinations thereof, which plates (6) are placed between the two end plates (2, 7). The present invention relates also to a method for opening and closing a plate reactor or a flow module, and uses of the clamping device.

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