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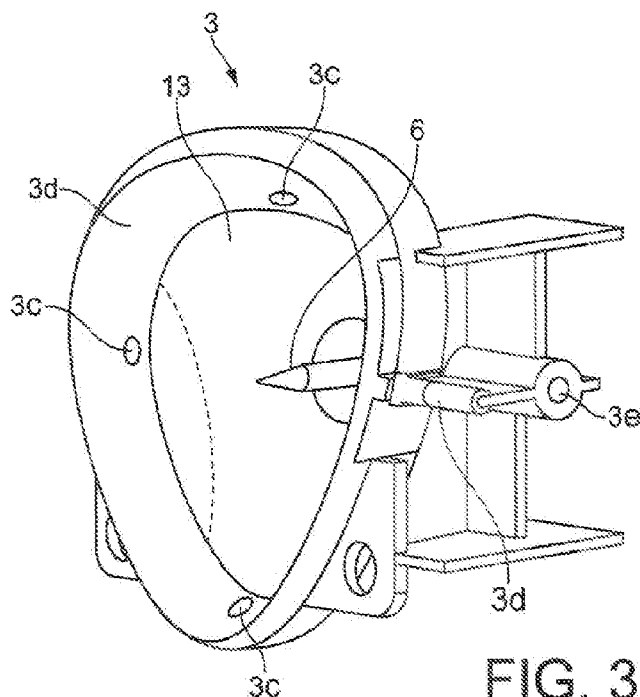


FIG. 3

(57) Abstract: The invention concerns a beverage production system comprising a capsule (1) and a module (2) for producing a beverage from the capsule, the capsule (1) comprising an enclosure (1a) and a rim (1b), and the module (2) comprising : a first capsule engagement member (3), which can be displaced relative to a second, co-operating capsule engagement member (4) between a capsule discharge position and a beverage production position, the displaceable first capsule engagement member (3) comprising member (13) having the shape of a hollow bell, and the capsule (1) presenting an enclosure outer shape that is conformal to at least a portion of the hollow bell shaped member (13) and the capsule presenting a rim (1b) size such that at least a part of the rim of the capsule extends beyond at least a part of the first capsule engagement member (3) once it is engaged in the first capsule engagement member, wherein the displaceable first capsule engagement member (3) comprises retaining means able to create friction with discrete parts of the outer shape of the enclosure (1a) of the capsule, and wherein the module (2) comprises means for engaging the rim (1b) of the capsule extending beyond the first capsule engagement member when the first capsule engagement member (3) is displaced from the beverage production position to its opened capsule-insertion position.



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