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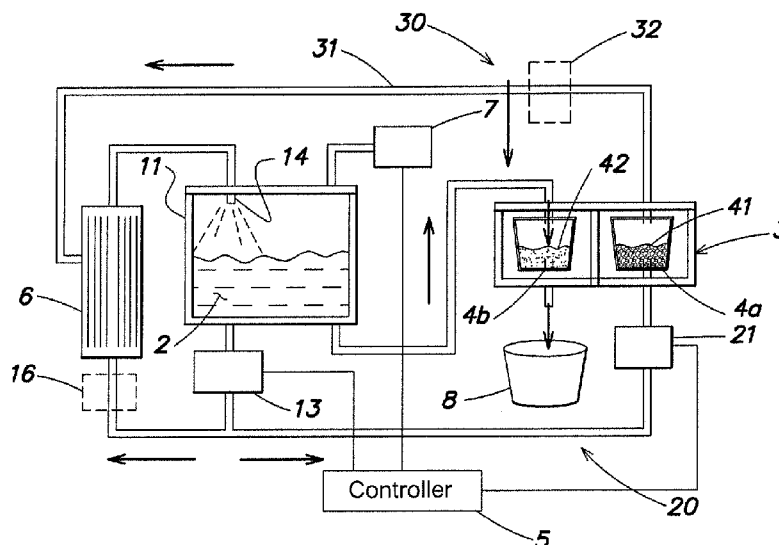
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(54) Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CARTRIDGE-BASED CARBONATION OF BEVERAGES

**FIG. 2**

(57) **Abstract:** Systems, methods and cartridges for carbonating or otherwise dissolving gas in a precursor liquid, such as water, to form a beverage. A gas source (41) can be provided in a cartridge (4) which is used to generate gas that is dissolved into the precursor liquid. A beverage medium (42), such as a powdered drink mix or liquid syrup, may be provided in the same, or a separate cartridge as the gas source (4) and mixed with the precursor liquid to form a beverage. The use of one or more cartridges for the gas source (4) and/or beverage medium (42) may make for an easy to use and mess-free system for making sparkling beverages, e.g., in the consumer's home.





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