

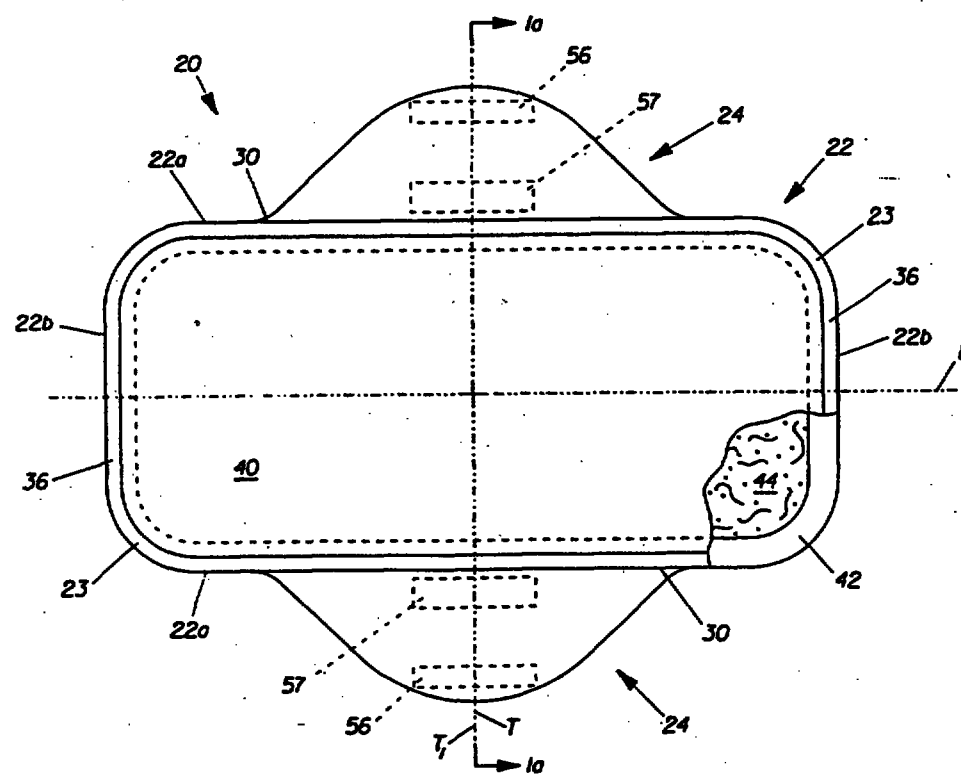


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(54) Title: **ABSORBENT ARTICLE HAVING A UNITARY RELEASE MATERIAL**



(57) Abstract

An absorbent article having a main body portion, a pair of flaps joined to the main body portion, and a unitary release material joined to a portion of each of the flaps such that the unitary release material superposes the flap adhesive when the flap is folded along a fold line.