

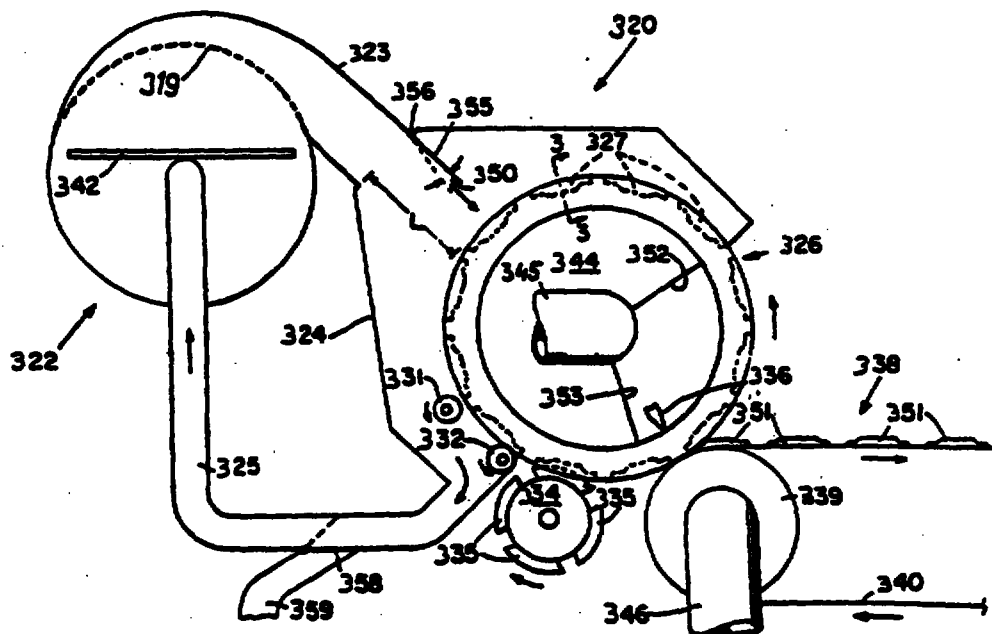
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(54) Title: FIBERBOARD AND METHOD OF MAKING ABSORBENT ARTICLE USING FIBERBOARD



(57) Abstract

In a process of making an absorbent article (351) such as a sanitary napkin or a disposable diaper, hydrophilic fibers and crimped or coiled synthetic fibers are supplied in a single fiberboard to a defiberising means such as a hammermill (322). The process results in a homogeneous and resilient blended absorbent core that can be produced using a single defiberising unit. The crimped or coiled fibers pass through the defiberising means without their two- or three-dimensional structure being adversely affected at a relatively low defiberisation energy.