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[54] **POST-SURGICAL GARMENT**

[57] **ABSTRACT**

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The present invention discloses a post-surgical garment for use following breast or chest surgery wherein the garment **10** has straps **16** having a length of hook and loop material attached at overlapping ends **18** whereby an individual user **12** drapes the garment **10** over the shoulders and extends the back straps **16** down the front where the ends of the mating shoulder straps **16** are secured with hook and loop material **18** at a comfortable user selectable length which may be about half way between the top of the patient's shoulders and the patient's breasts. The main body of the garment **10** being open in the center and also having overlapping ends having a length of hook and loop material attached thereon, is secured at the front **14**. Another length of hook and loop material **20** is located along the hem of the garment which acts as means for attaching a number of attachable and detachable bags **22** provided as means for holding other collection devices **28**, bags or, e.g., a chemotherapy pump, depending on the therapy, or are themselves collection bags and each bag having a strap **23** permanently attached thereon to the external surface of the bag and having a length of hook and loop material **25** located on each end of the strap **23** whereby each strap can retain a number of tubes **30** passing between the bag and the point of surgery on the patient's body. Also located on the inner/rear of the garment **10** within the cup area **34** of the garment is a pocket **36** for inserting and retaining a prosthesis when applicable.

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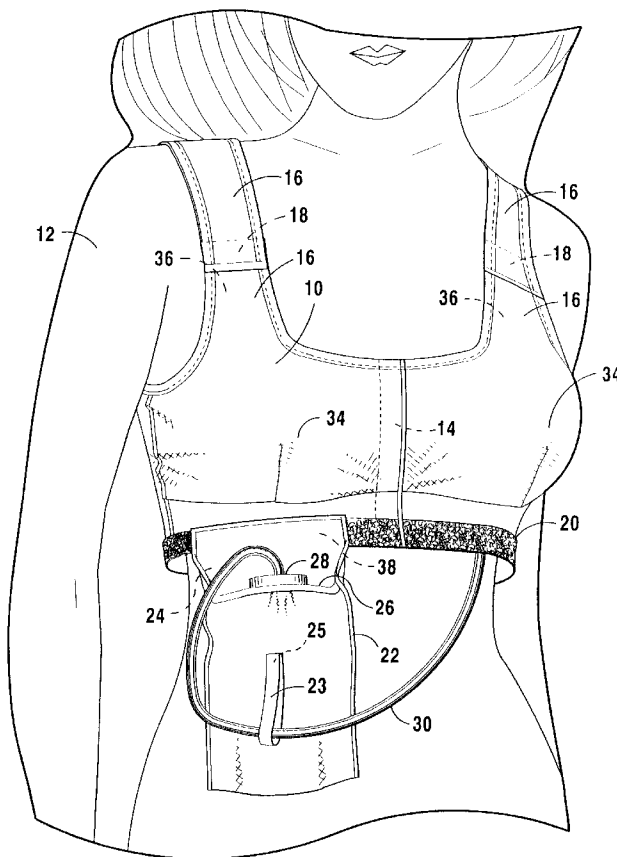
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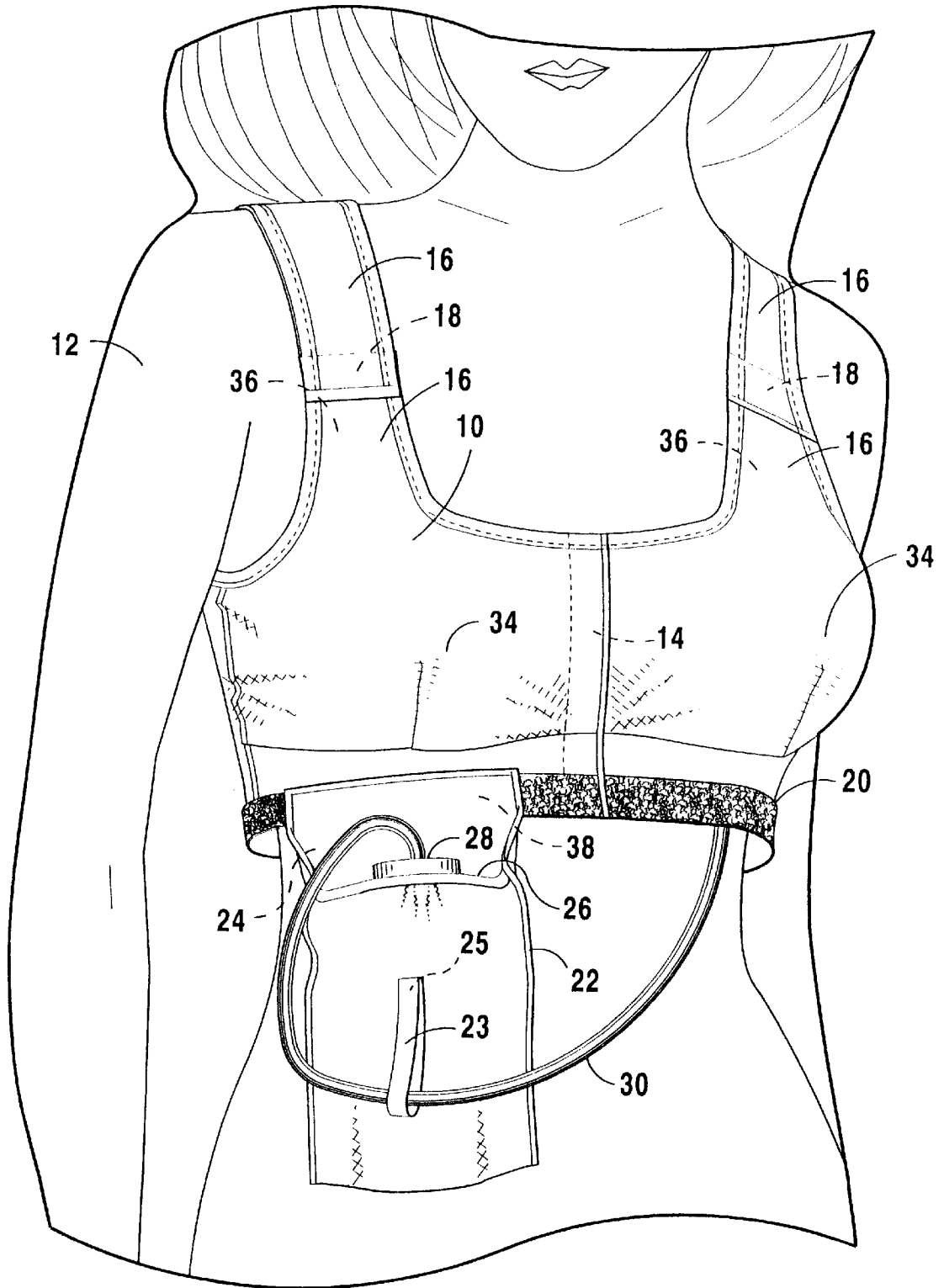


FIG 1

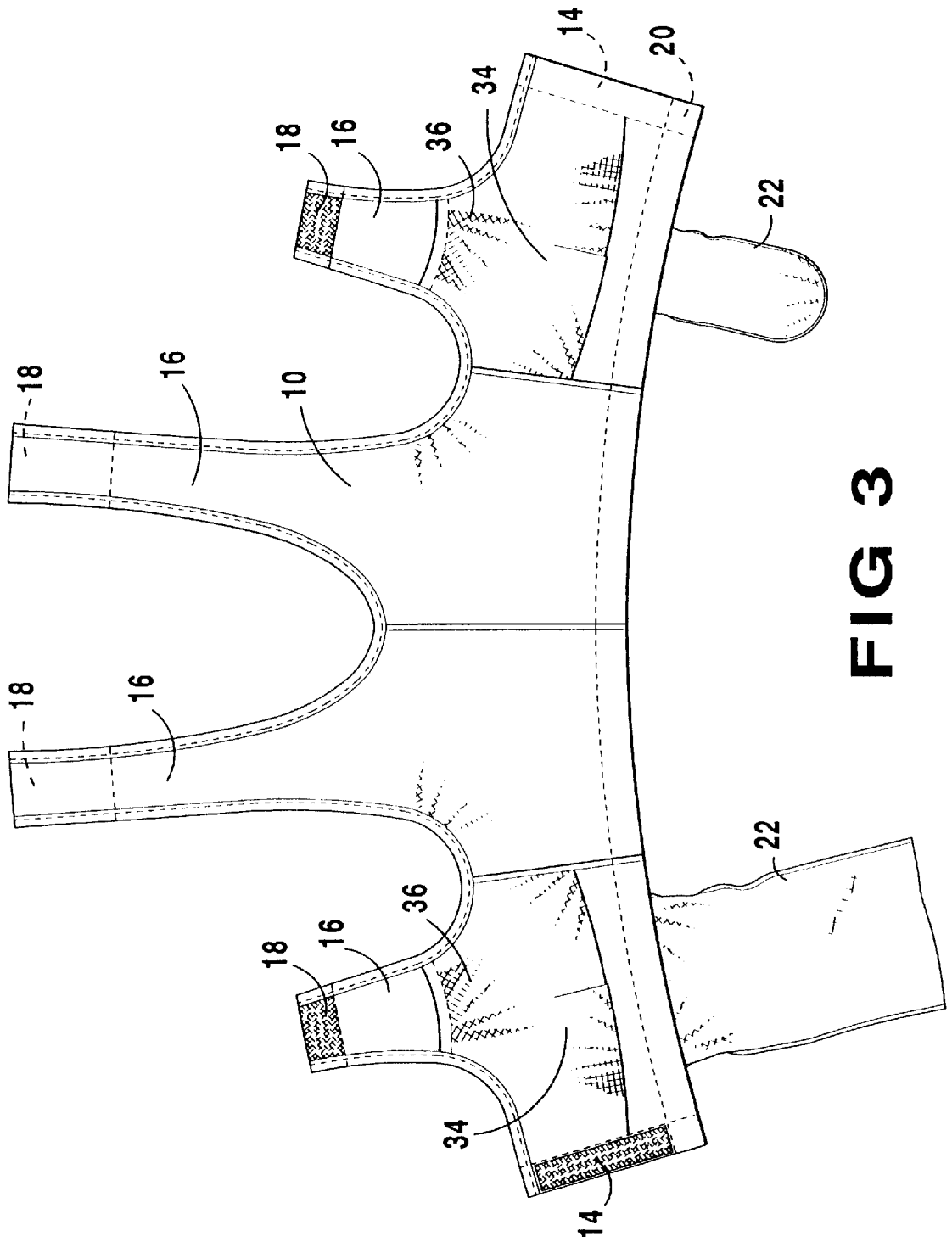


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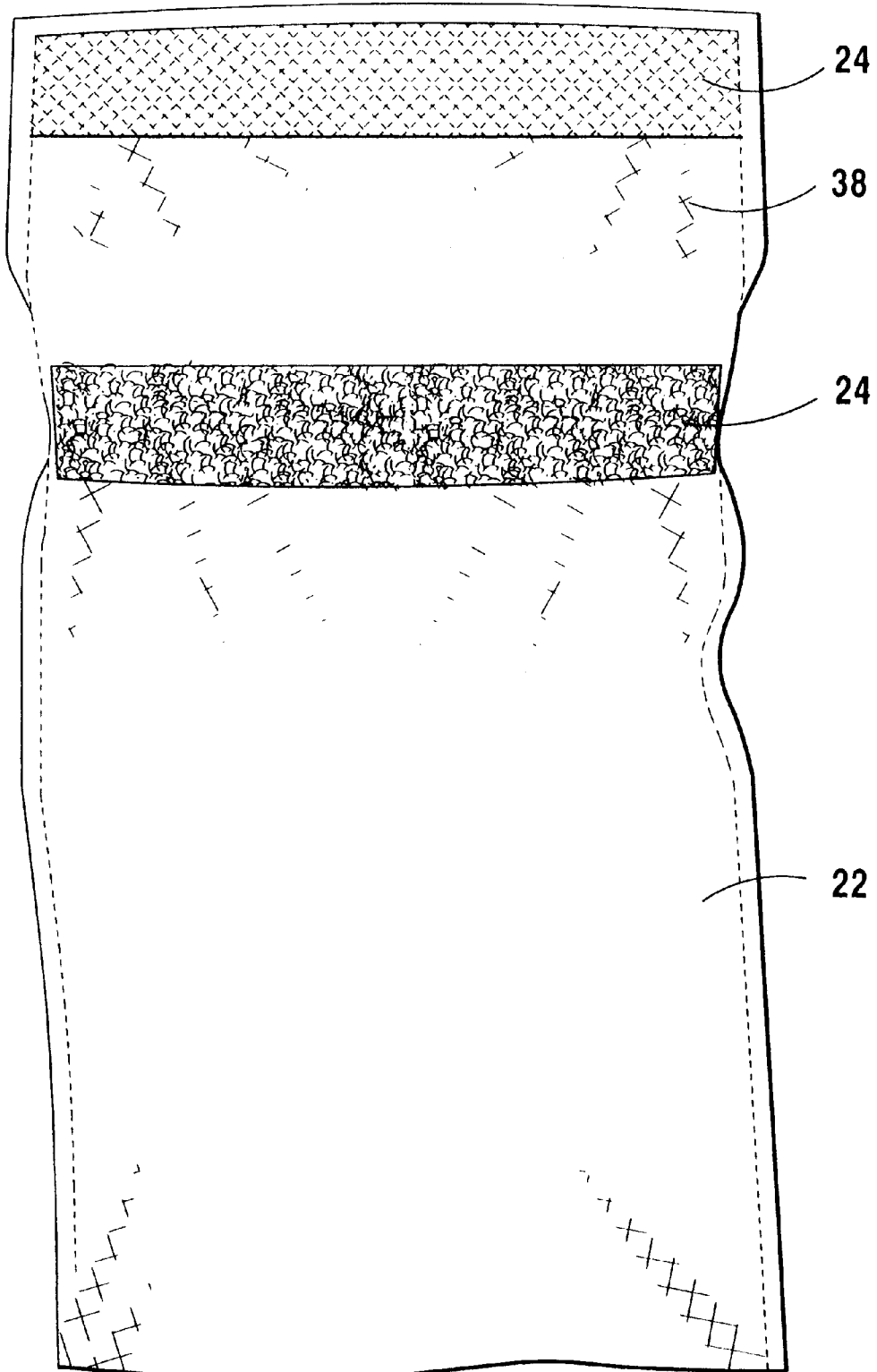


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