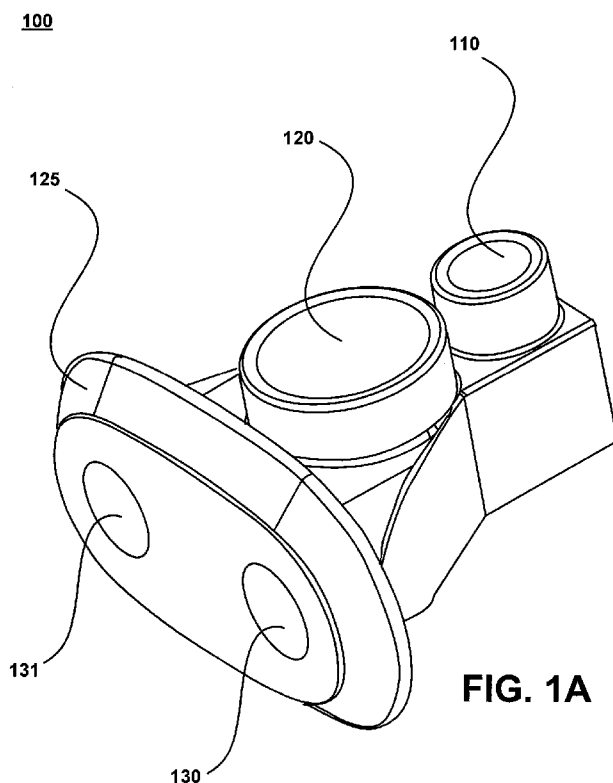




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(57) Abstract: A nCPAP device includes an inlet configured for receiving a single gas jet flow. The single gas jet flow supplies gas for both nares. The device also includes a flow splitter configured for proportionally splitting said gas jet flow into two channels for the both nares according to one or more of nare anatomy and flow path resistance.



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