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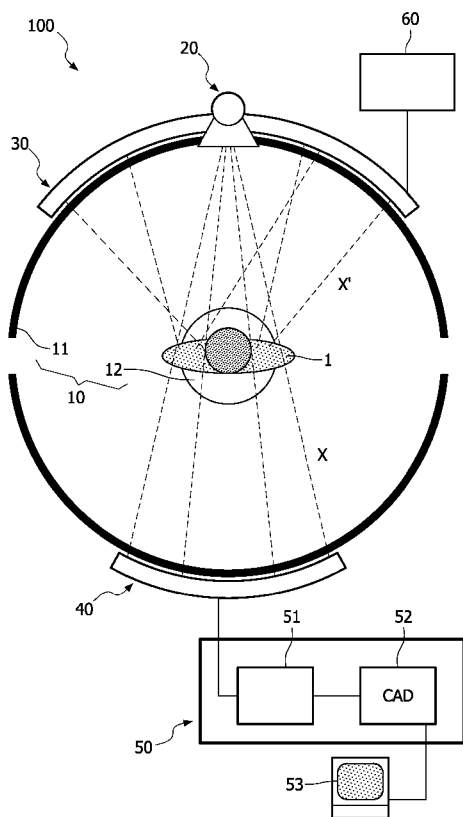


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to an X-ray apparatus (100) and a method for the examination of a subject (1), comprising the irradiation of the subject (1) with X-rays and the detection of backscattered/reflected photons (X') as well as transmitted photons (X). The apparatus may particularly be used in security applications, e.g. at an airport, for detecting suspect things concealed by a person (1). As an additional benefit, the transmission images of the person (1) may be evaluated with respect to medical anomalies, for example suspect lung nodules.

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