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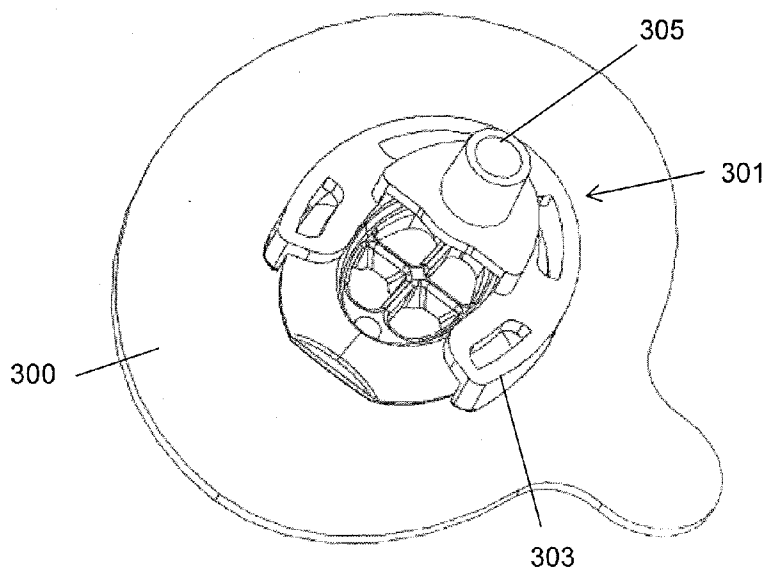


FIG. 3A

(57) Abstract: Described herein are nasal respiratory devices (300) including an attachment site for a sensors and sensor adapters (301) for securing at least a portion of a sensor to a nasal respiratory device. Sensor adapters typically have a body frame having at least two regions: an attachment region (303) for securing the sensor adapter to the nasal respiratory device; and a sensor connector region (305) for securing a sensor across from an outlet of the nasal respiratory device.

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1. claims: 17-27, 33-36

Claims 17-27 and 33-36 essentially define a sensor adapter comprising a body frame and an attachment site;

2. claims: 28-32, 37-44

Claims 28-32 and 37-44 essentially define a passive-resistance nasal respiratory device.

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