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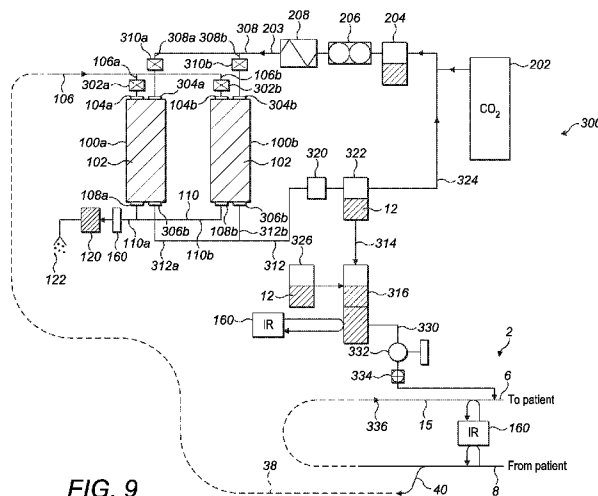


FIG. 9

(57) Abstract: A method for capturing halocarbon from a gas, the method comprising processing gas containing halocarbon with material which is undamaged by exposure to supercritical fluid. A method for reclaiming halocarbon from a material, the method comprising exposing the material to a supercritical fluid. A module for processing a gas containing halocarbon, the module comprising material for capturing halocarbon from a gas, wherein the module is arranged to withstand supercritical fluid.



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A method and a system for capturing halocarbons from a gas on a material (e.g. a filter)

2. claims: 24-45

A method for reclaiming halocarbons from a material (e.g. a filter) by exposure to a supercritical fluid

3. claims: 68-99

A method and a system for separating halocarbon from a supercritical solution

4. claims: 100-117

A method of delivering anaesthetic agent to a medical device, the agent being dissolved in a supercritical fluid

5. claims: 118-146

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