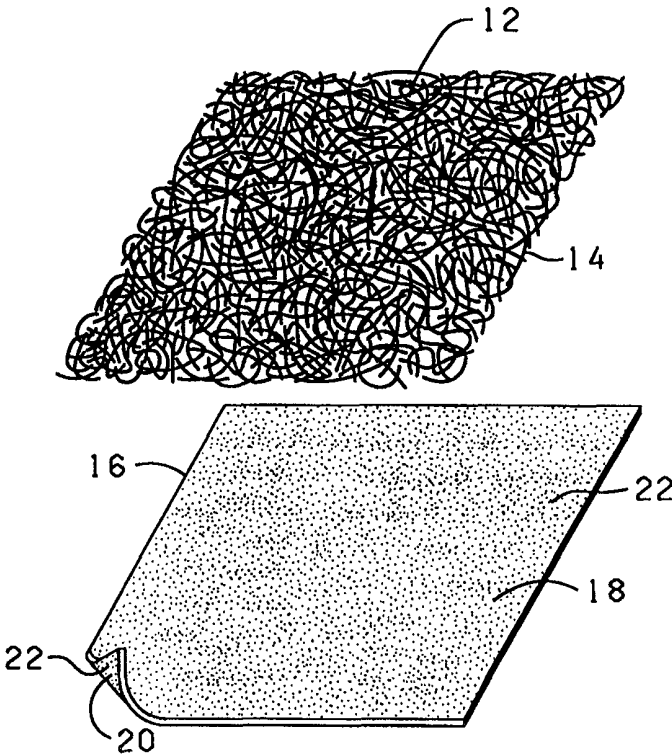


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(57) Abstract A packaging material (10) for use in filling baskets (40) and protecting articles (42) comprises a mass of individual, thin, flexible strips of material (14) intertwined with one another to form a cohesive, resilient tuft (12) connected to the flexible backing (16) so as to substantially cover at least one side of the flexible backing (16). In another embodiment, the packaging material (60) includes a flexible bag (64) and a mass of individual, thin, flexible strips of material (14) intertwined with one another to form a cohesive, resilient tuft (62). In yet another embodiment the packaging material is a liner (110) which includes a flexible seed carrier (128) disposed between a flexible, waterproof sheet (124) of material and a flexible, porous sheet (126) of material.		
 The diagram consists of two parts. The upper part is a perspective drawing of a three-dimensional, tangled mass of fine, flexible strips, labeled 14, which together form a cohesive, resilient tuft labeled 12. The lower part is a perspective drawing of a flat, rectangular sheet or backing labeled 16. This sheet has a stippled texture representing a porous or fibrous material, labeled 18. One edge of the sheet is shown folded back, revealing a different layer or feature, with labels 20 and 22 pointing to specific points on the fold and the sheet's surface respectively.		

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