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Description

for their path breaking development of a unique air blowing technology for stabilizing paper webs aerodynamically at high speeds. This development has been taken into use on a large number of paper machines in many countries and has lowered the costs of paper production by greatly increasing the speed and efficiency at which papermaking machines can be operated.