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(54) **TOOTHBRUSH HANDLE**

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The ornamental design for a toothbrush handle, as shown and described.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a toothbrush handle, embodying our new design;

FIG. 2 is a top view thereof;

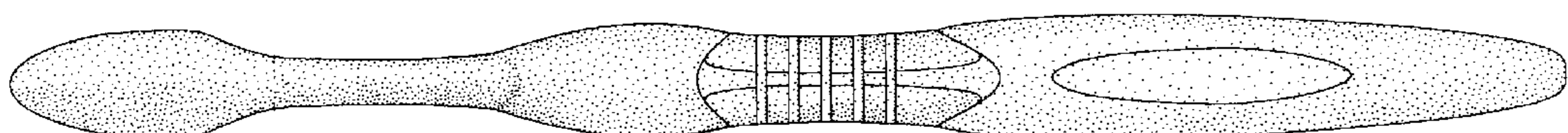
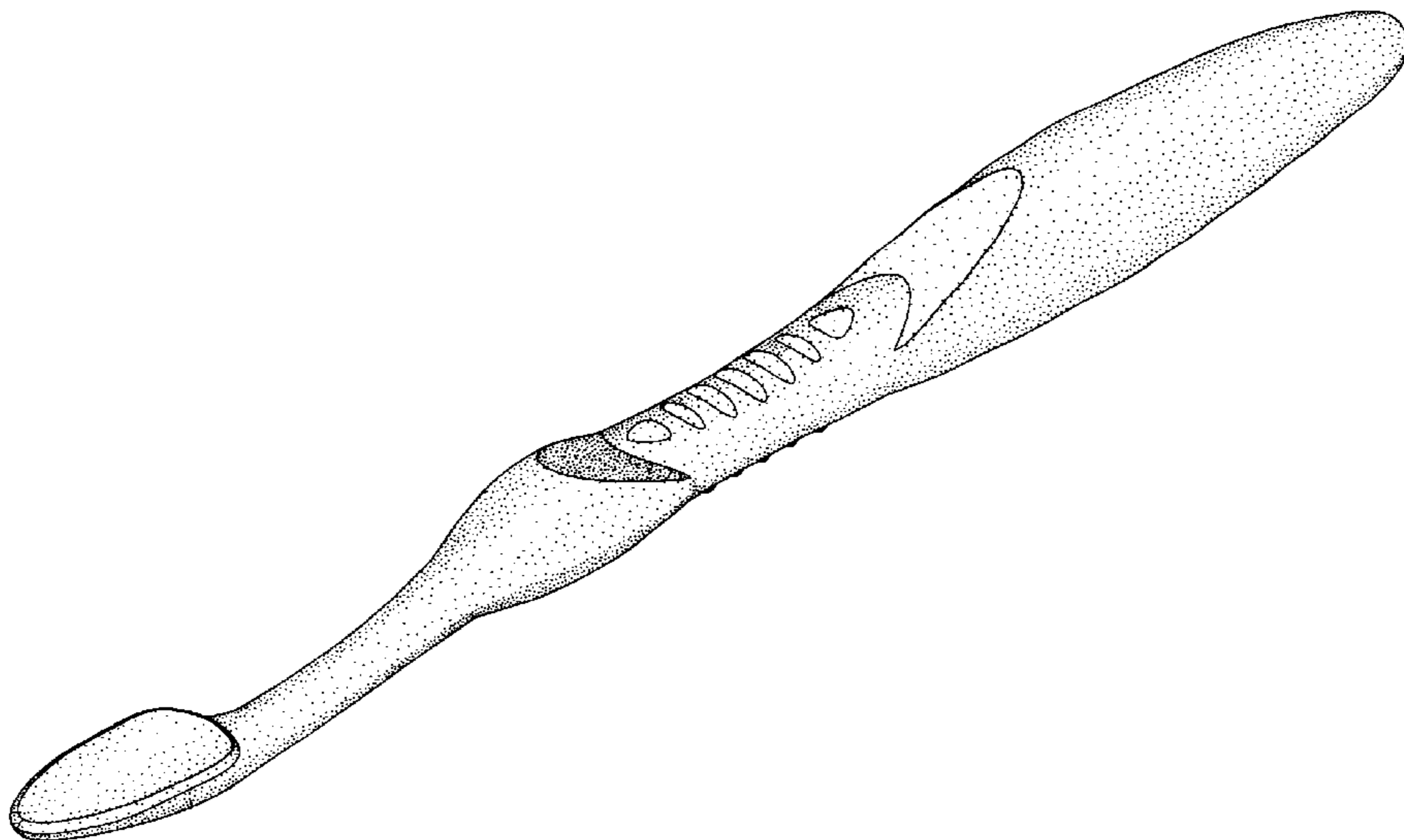
FIG. 3 is a bottom view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a front view thereof, the back view being a mirror image thereof;

FIG. 5 is a left view thereof; and,

FIG. 6 is a right view thereof.

1 Claim, 2 Drawing Sheets



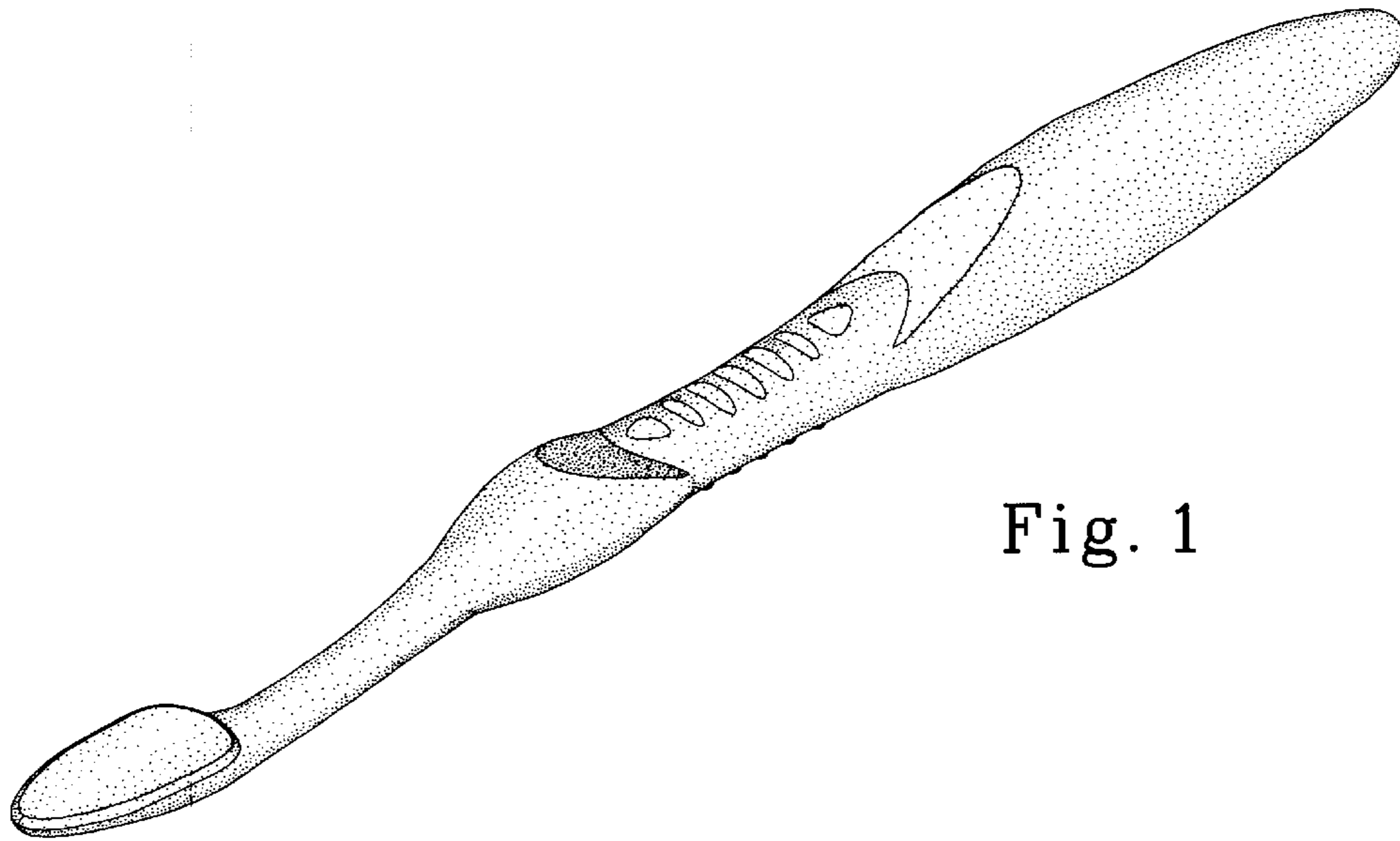


Fig. 1

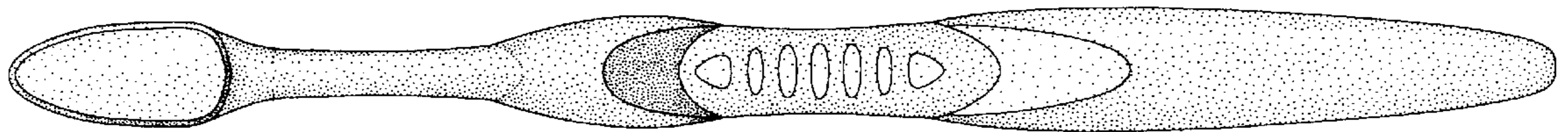


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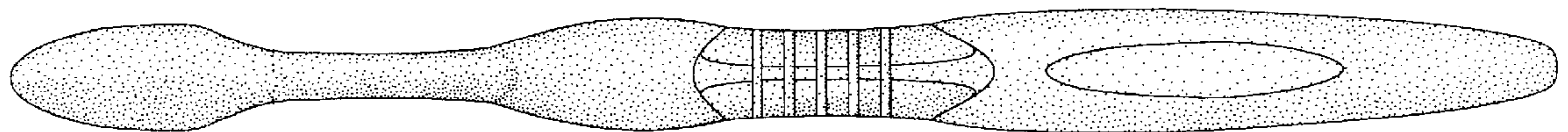


Fig. 3

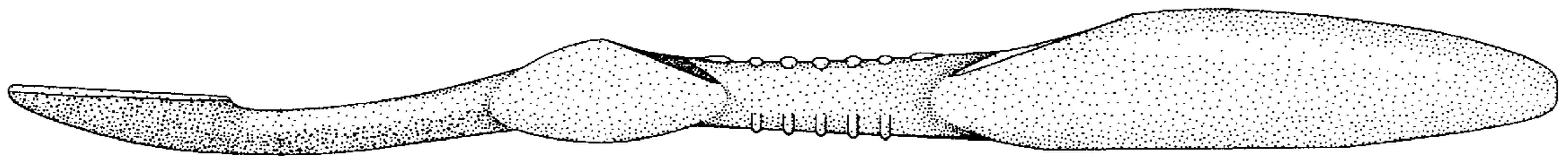


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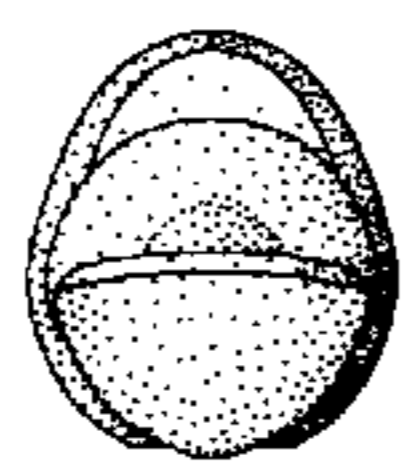


Fig. 5

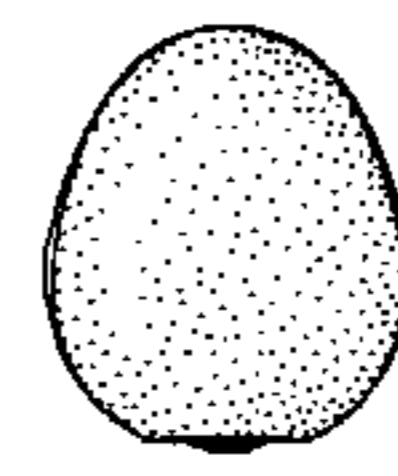


Fig. 6