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(54) **FLEXIBLE CONNECTING DEVICE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

We claim the ornamental design for a flexible connecting device, as shown and described herein.

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DESCRIPTION

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the flexible connecting device of the present invention.

FIG. 2 is another perspective view of the flexible connecting device of the present invention.

FIG. 3 is a side view of the flexible connecting device of the present invention.

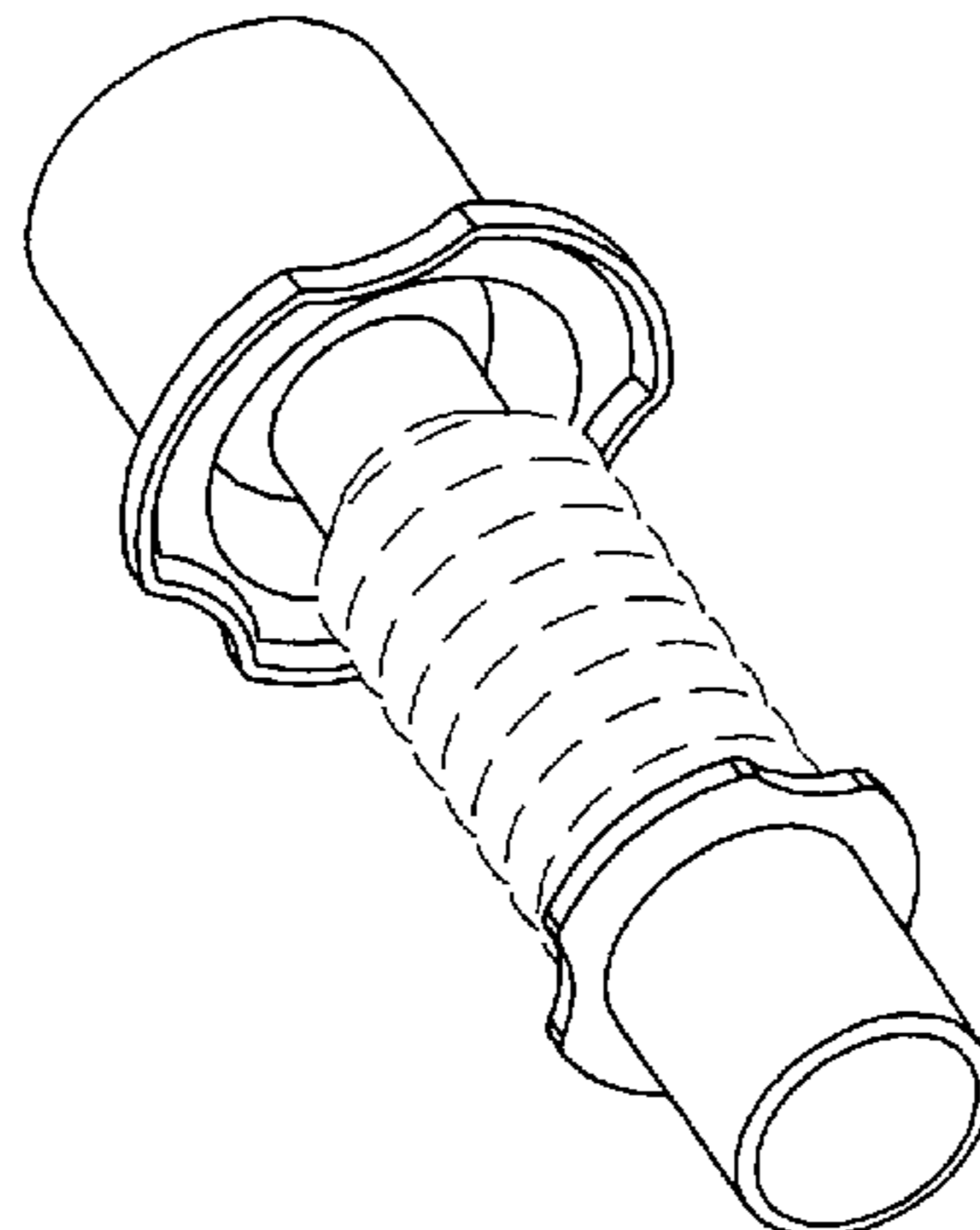
FIG. 4 is an end view of the flexible connecting device depicted in FIG. 3; and.

FIG. 5 is another end view of the flexible connecting device depicted in FIG. 3.

The broken line showing of the flexible member in FIGS. 1, 2 and 4 is for illustrative purposes only and forms no part of the claimed design.

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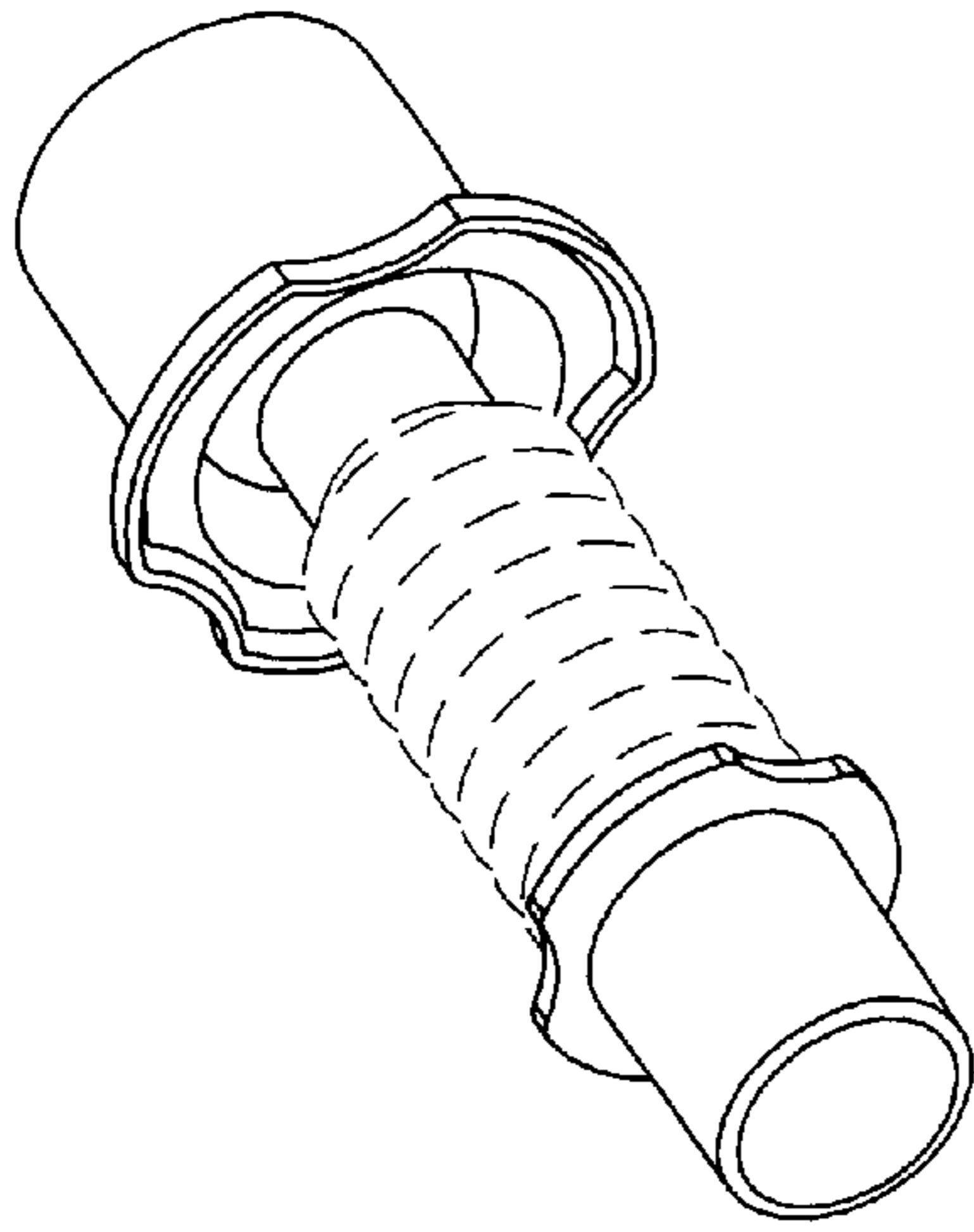


FIG. 1

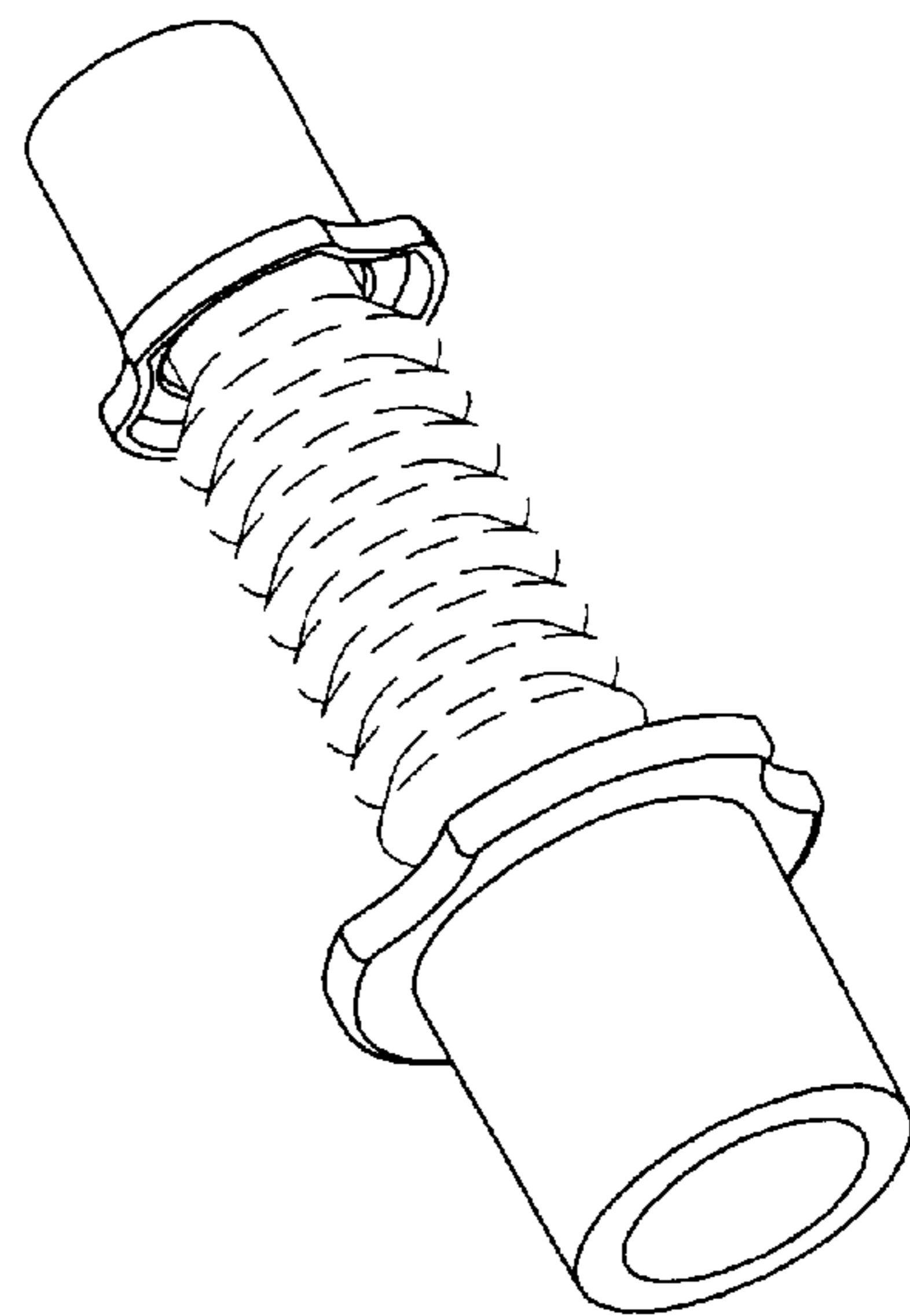


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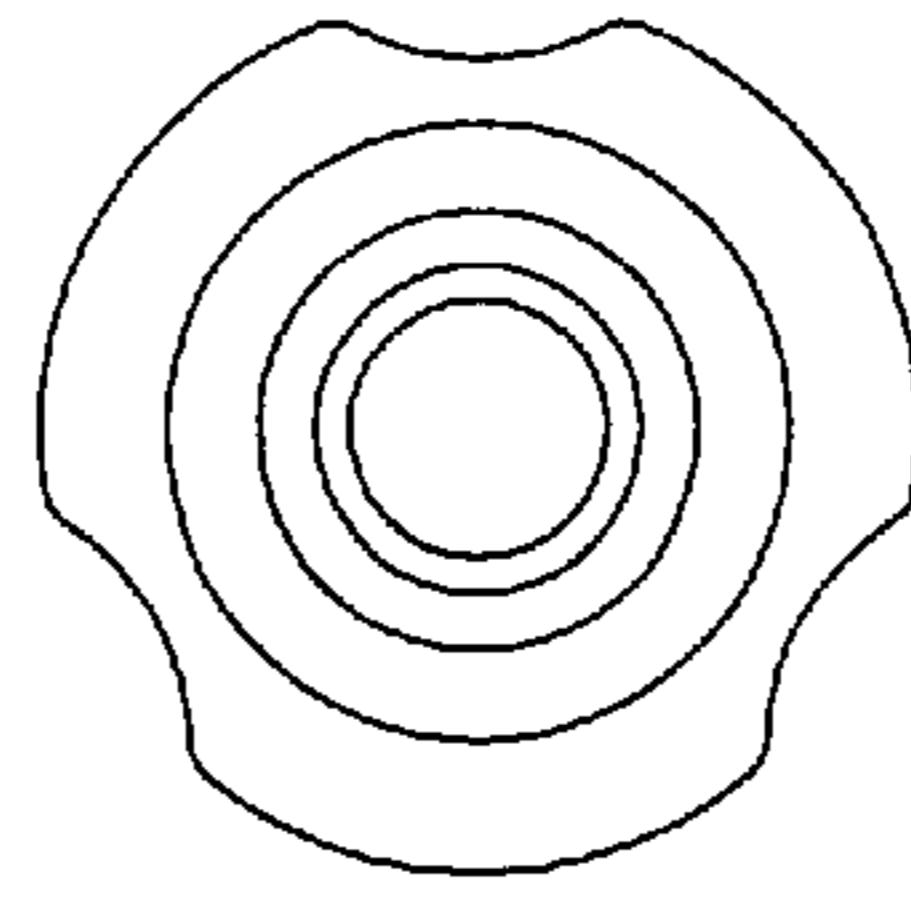


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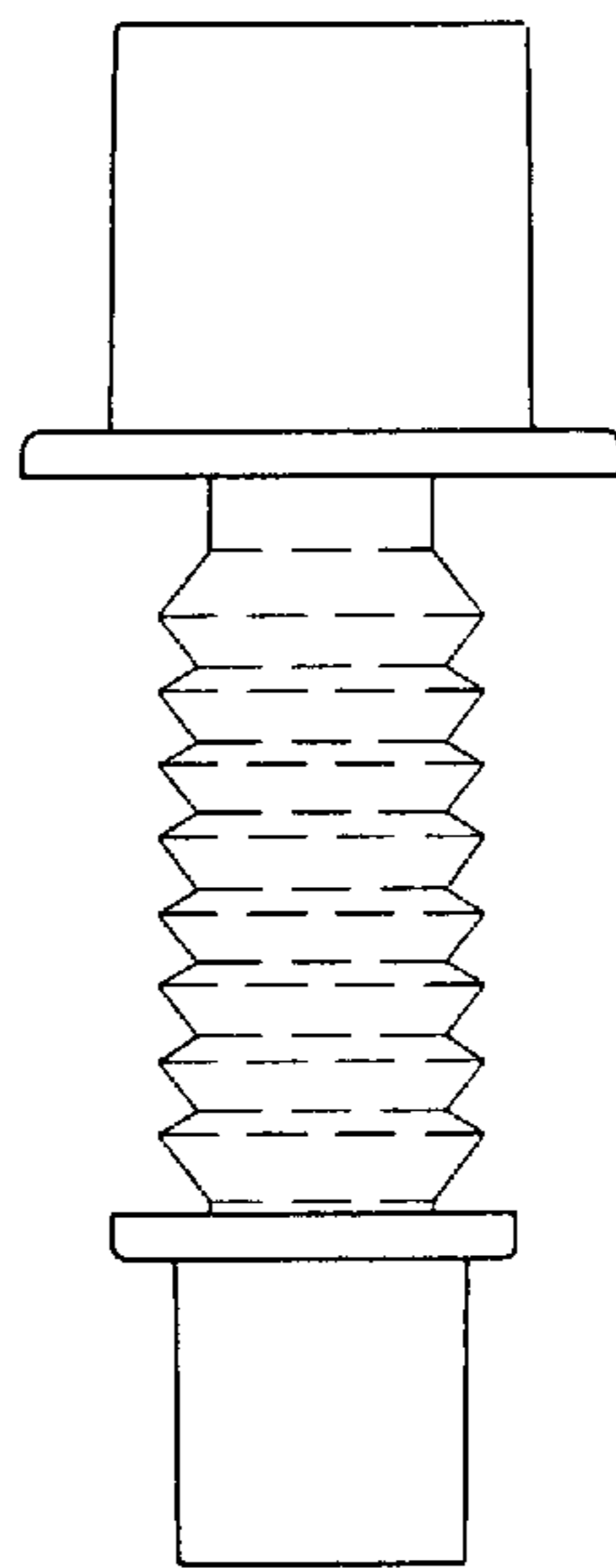


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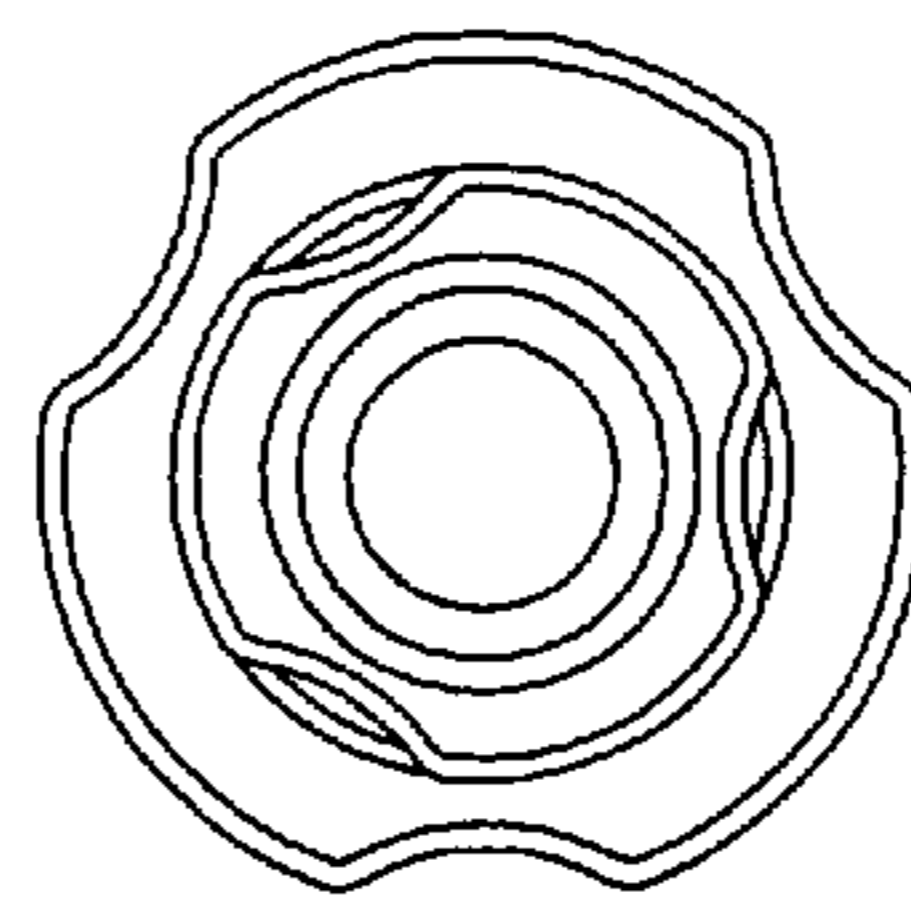


FIG. 5