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(54) **ABSORBENT ARTICLE**

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(57) **CLAIM**

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The ornamental design for an an absorbent article, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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FIG. 1 is a top plan view of an absorbent article, showing our new design.

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FIG. 2 is a right side elevational view thereof; the left side elevational view being a mirror image;

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FIG. 3 is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. 4 is a rear elevational view thereof;

FIG. 5 is a bottom plan view thereof;

FIG. 6 is an enlarged view of a portion of the edge of the article as indicated by line 6 of FIG. 5;

FIG. 7 is a top plan view of a second embodiment thereof;

FIG. 8 is a right side elevational view thereof; the left side elevational view being a mirror image;

FIG. 9 is a front elevational view thereof;

FIG. 10 is a rear elevational view thereof;

FIG. 11 is a bottom plan view thereof; and,

FIG. 12 is an enlarged view of a portion of the edge of the article as indicated by line 12 of FIG. 11.

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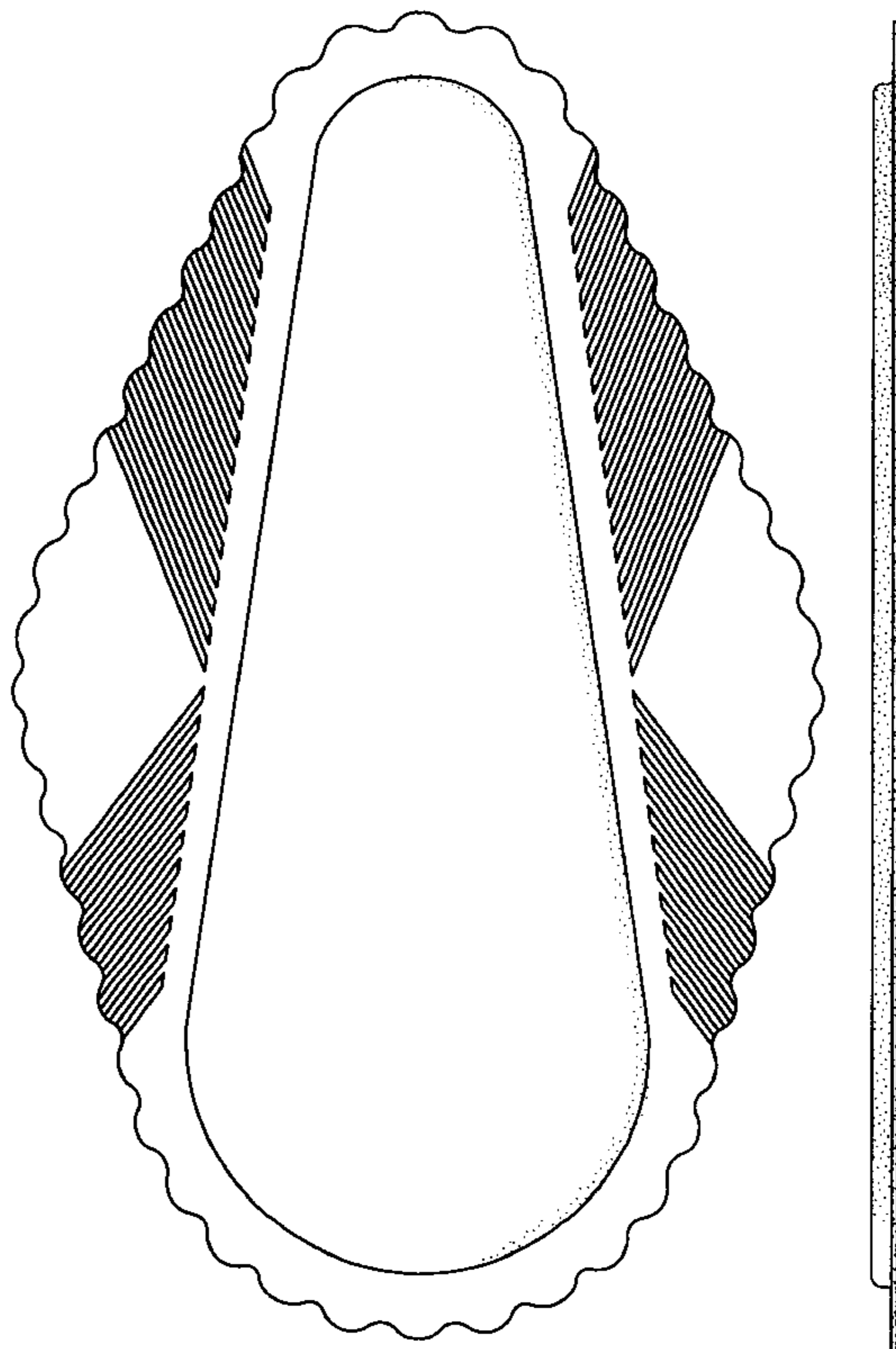


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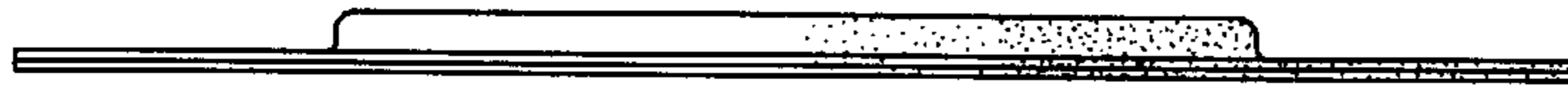


Fig. 1

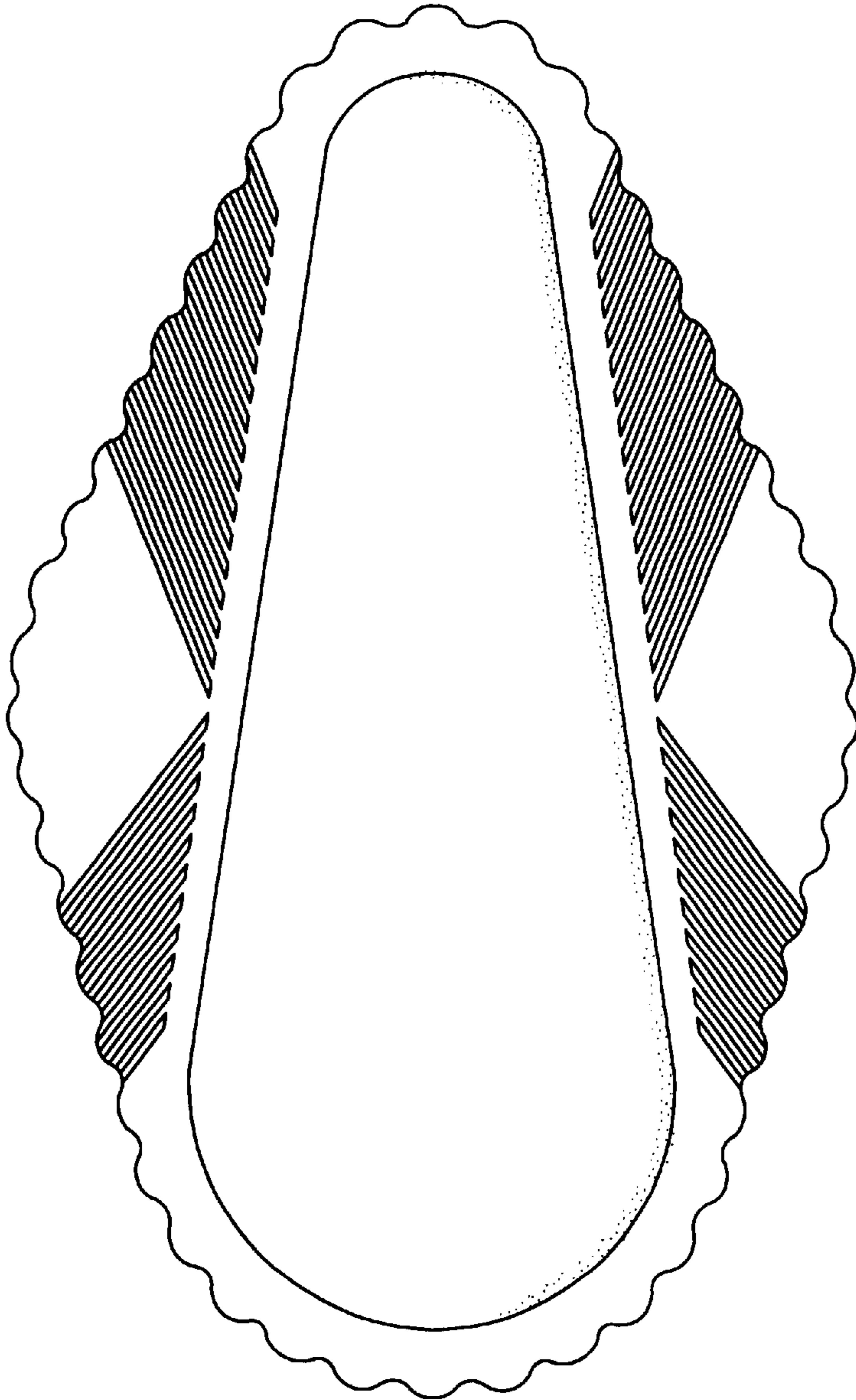
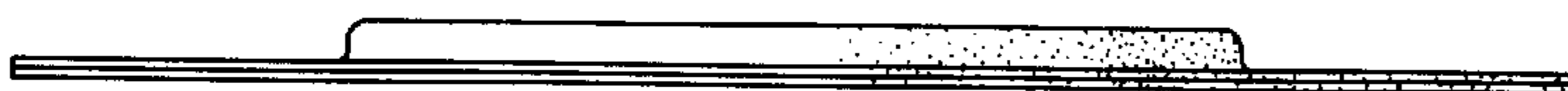


Fig. 2



Fig. 4



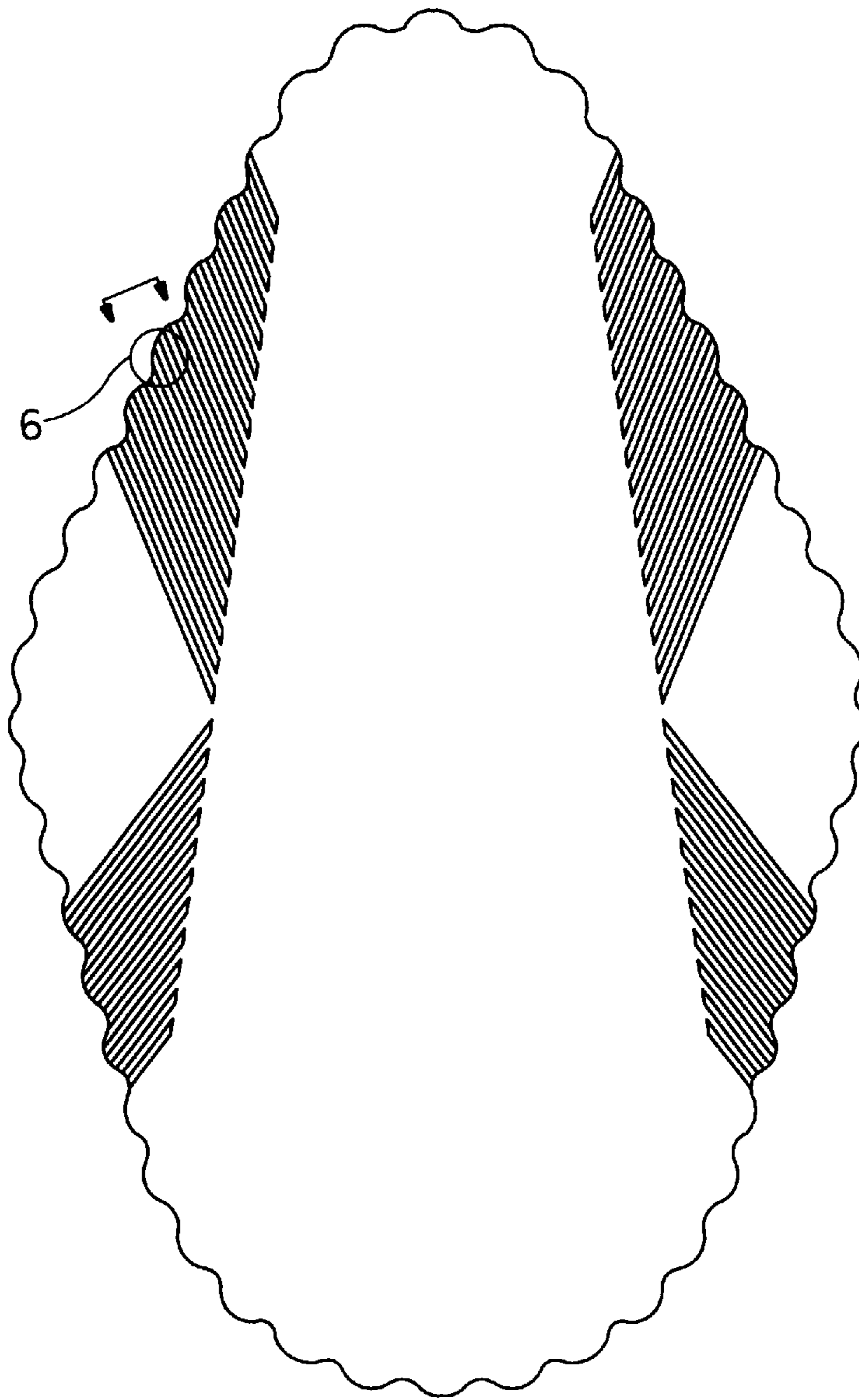


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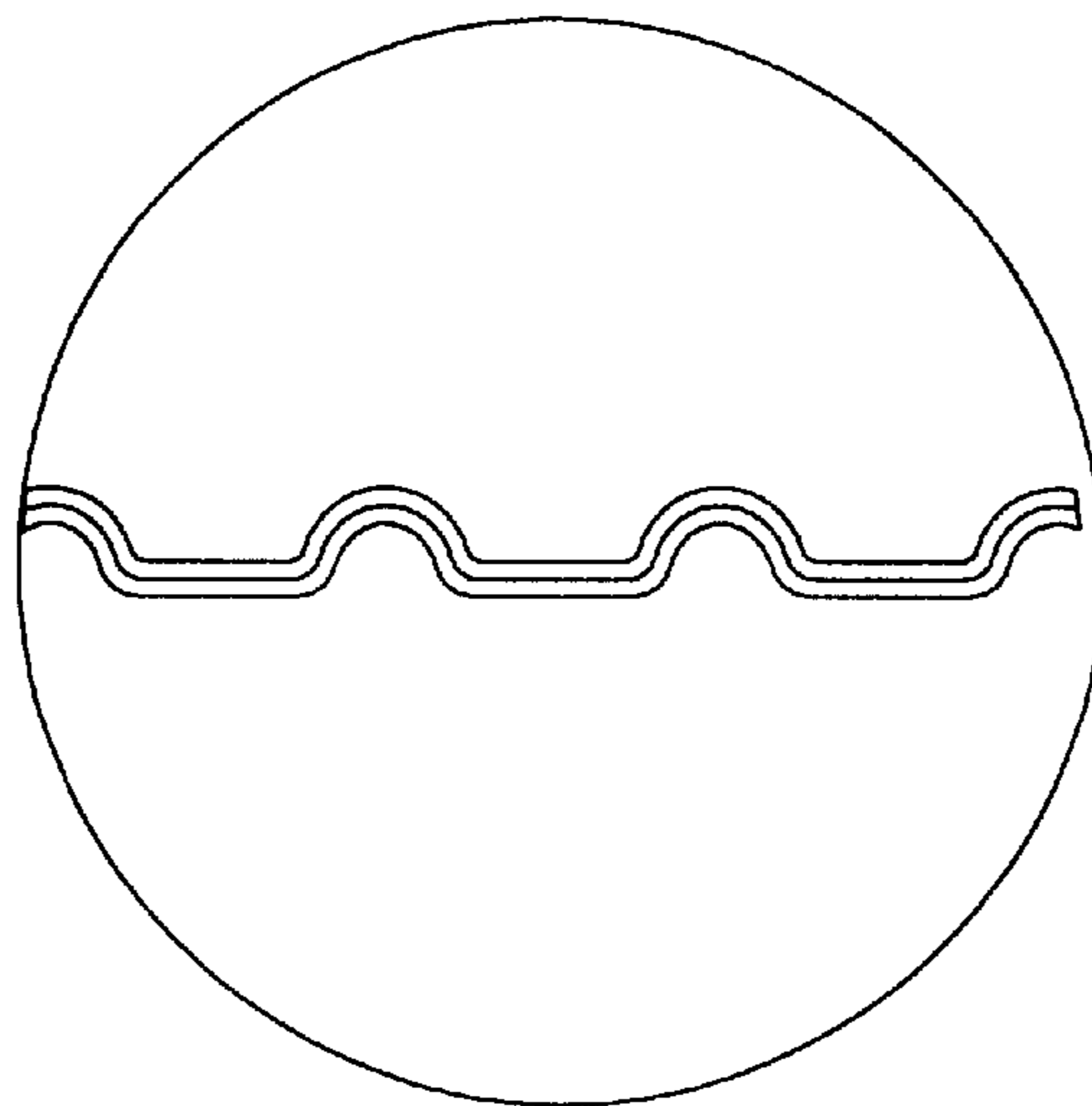


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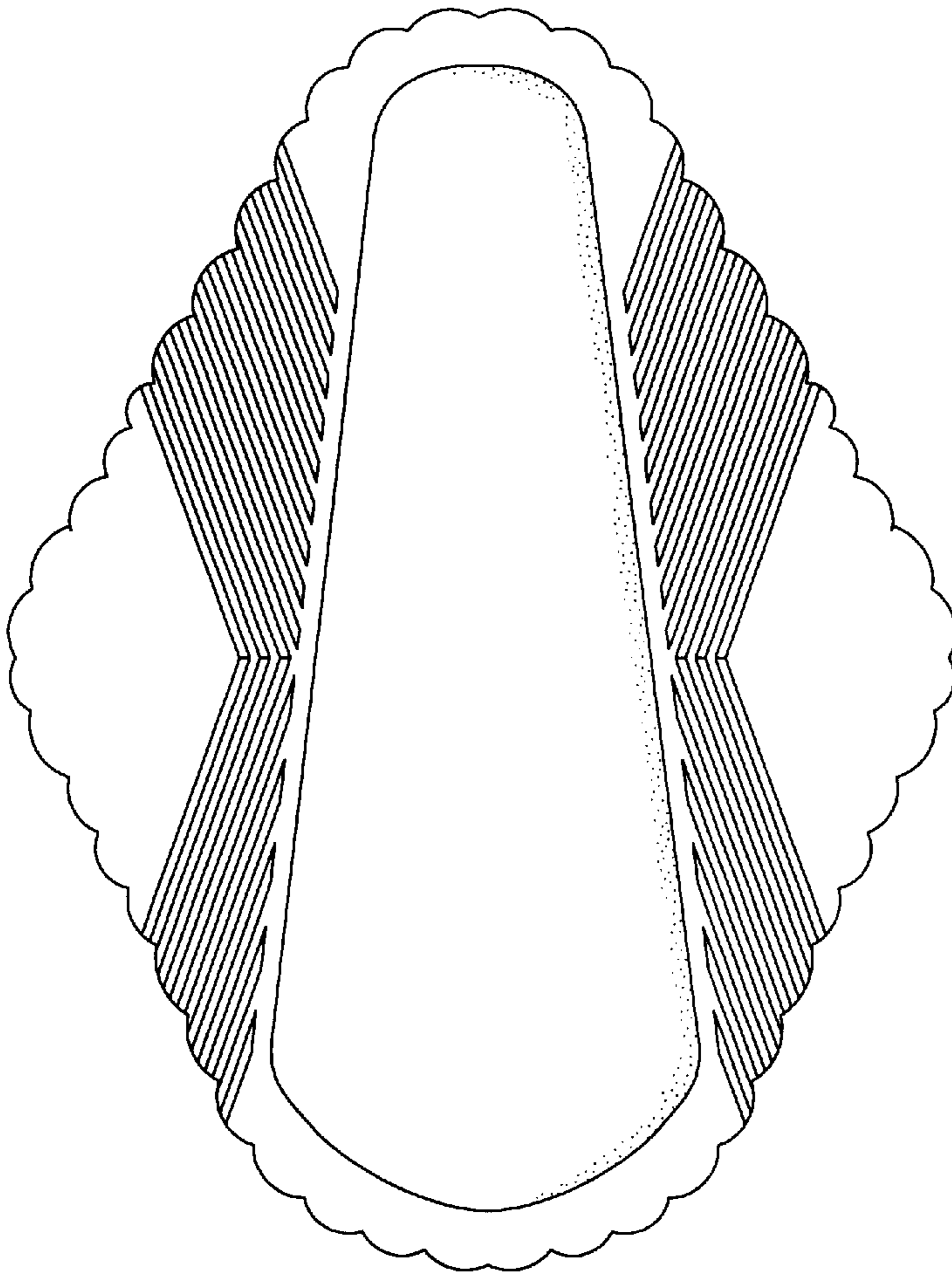


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Fig. 10



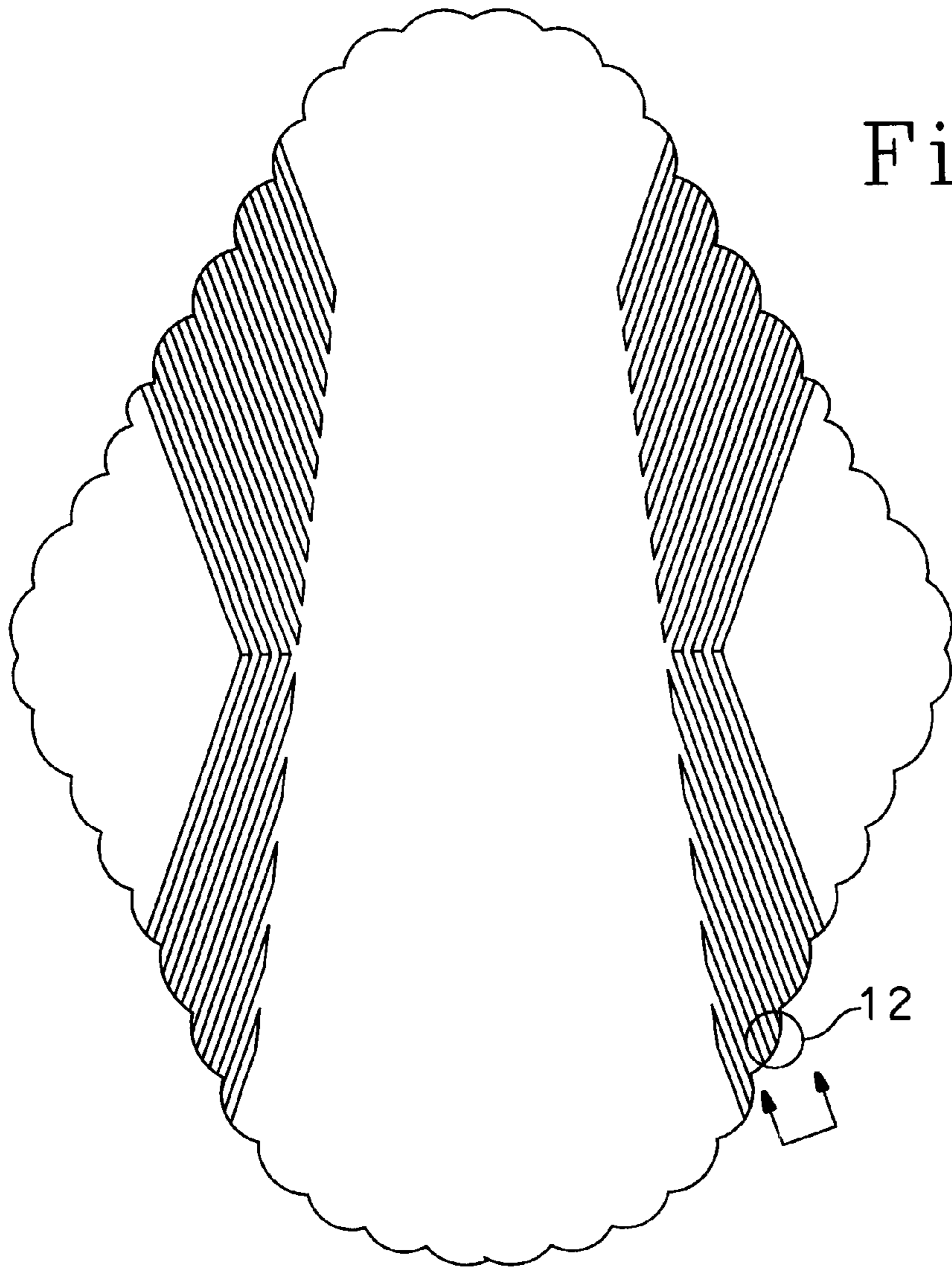


Fig. 11

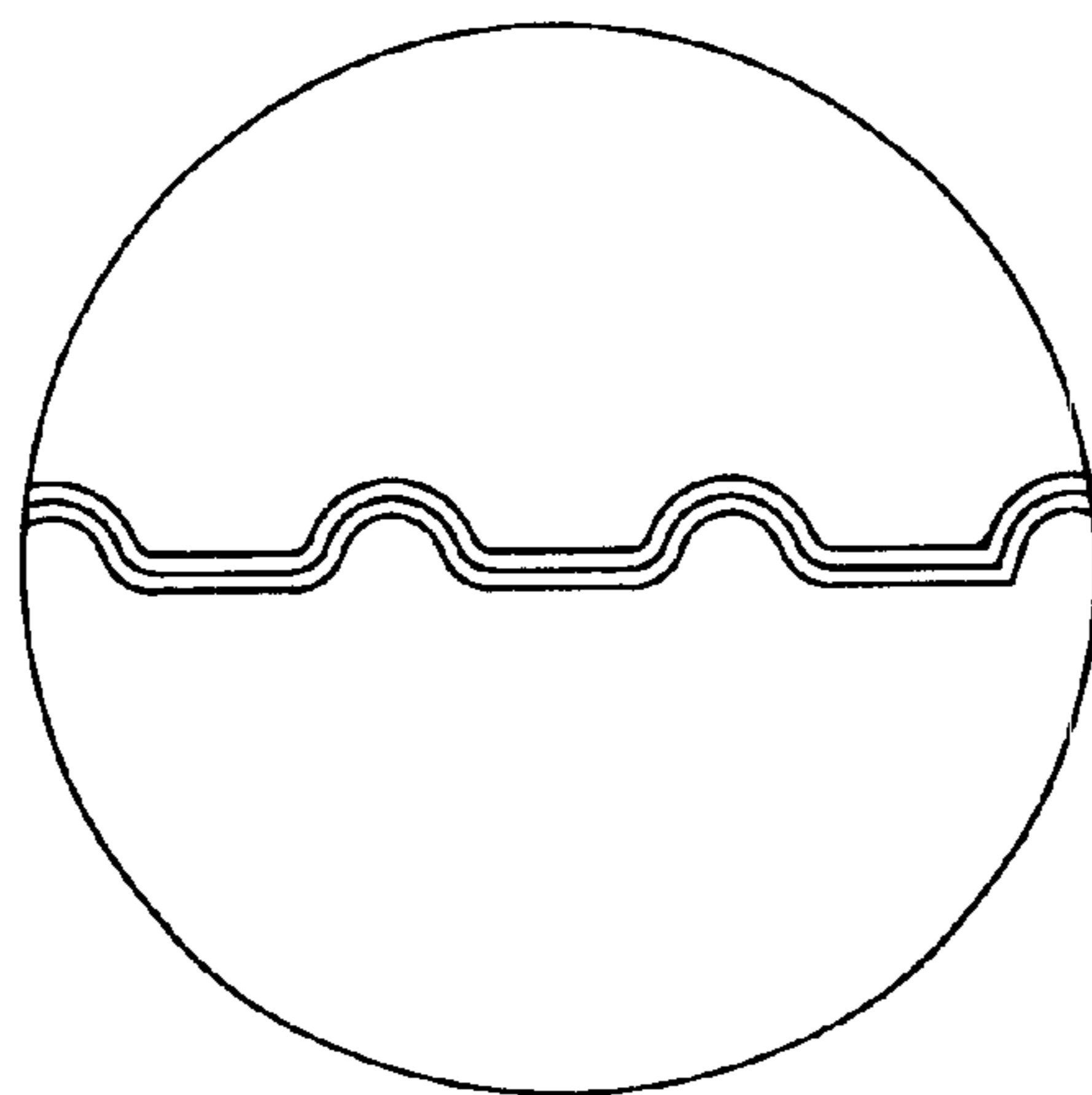


Fig. 12