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(54) **FILTER VIAL COMPRESSOR**

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for the filter vial compressor, as shown and described.

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**DESCRIPTION**

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FIG. 1 is a perspective view of the filter vial compressor showing our new design.

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FIG. 2 is a front view of the filter vial compressor of FIG. 1

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FIG. 3 is a plan view of the filter vial compressor of FIG. 1.

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FIG. 4 is a left view of the filter vial compressor of FIG. 1.

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FIG. 5 is a right view of the filter vial compressor of FIG. 1;

and,

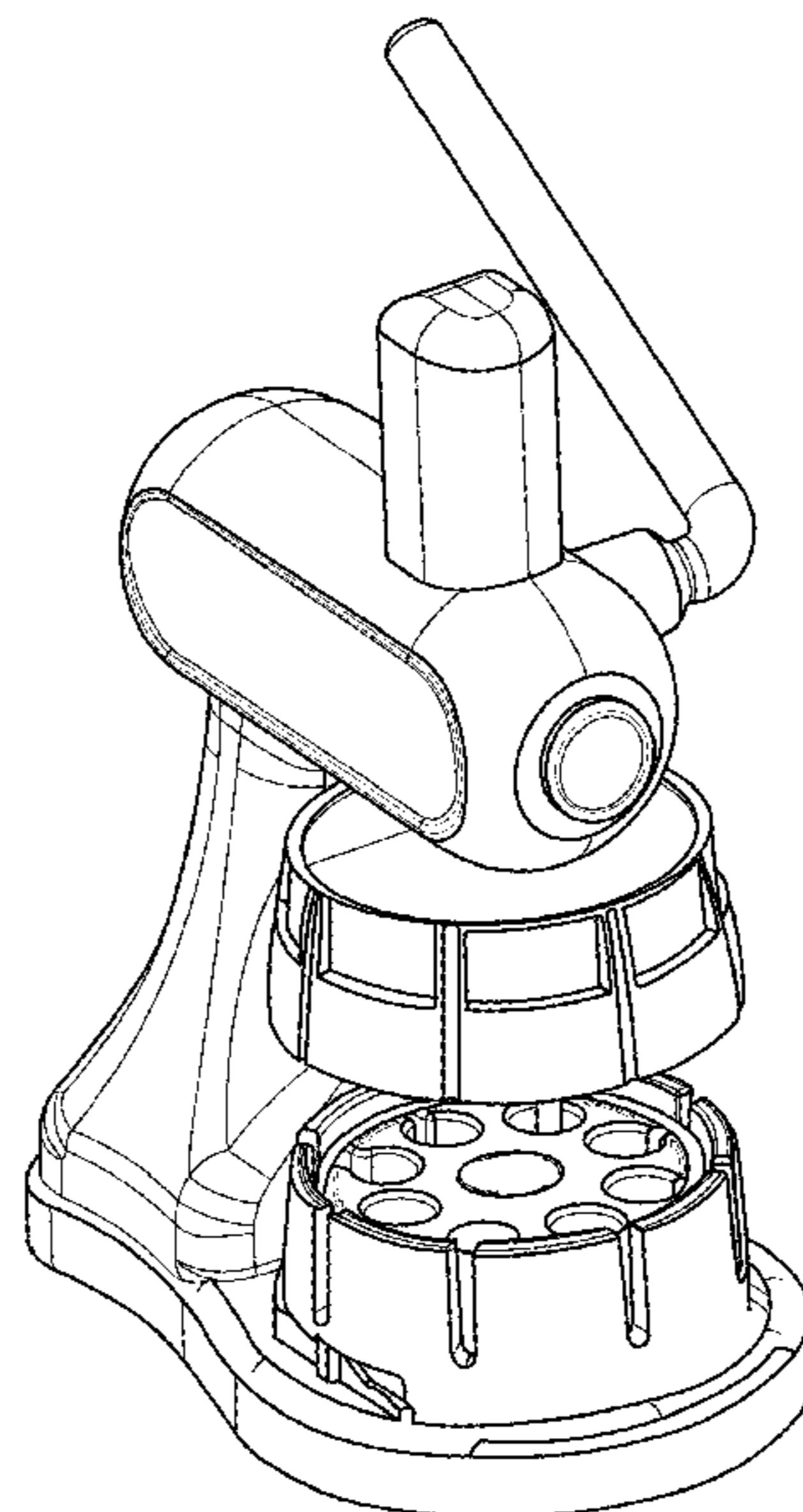
FIG. 6 is a underside view of the filter vial compressor of FIG. 1.

The broken lines in FIG. 4 is included for the purpose of illustrating portions of the filter vial compressor that form no part of the claimed design.

The design is for a compressor device for use in compressing multiple filter vials each containing laboratory liquid samples to be filtered. The device may comprise a holder for holding a plurality of filter vials in a two-dimensional circular array, and a compressor device. The compressor includes a pusher which can be moved downwardly by an actuator to compress the vials held in the two-dimensional array.

See application file for complete search history.

**1 Claim, 6 Drawing Sheets**



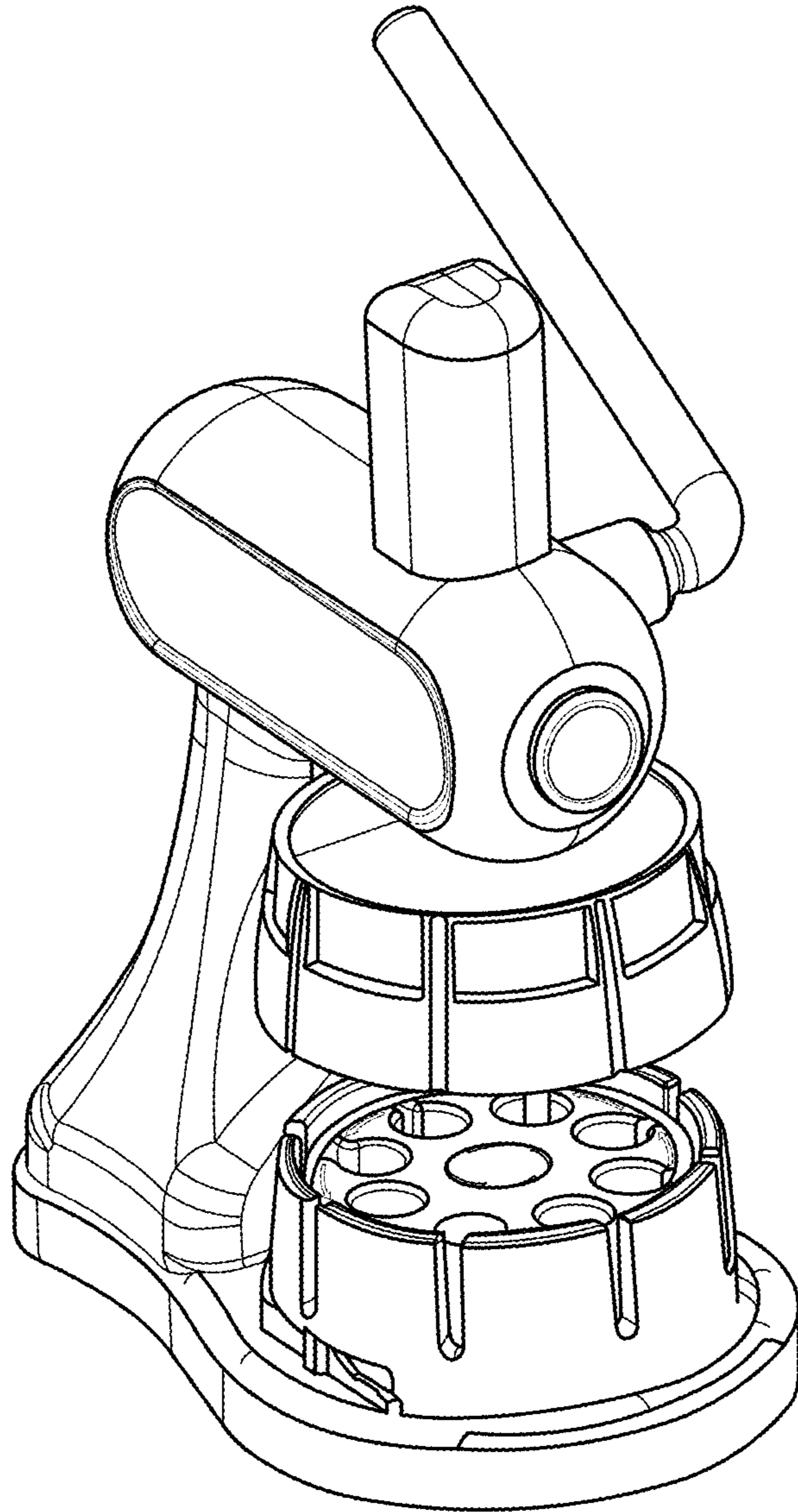


FIG. 1

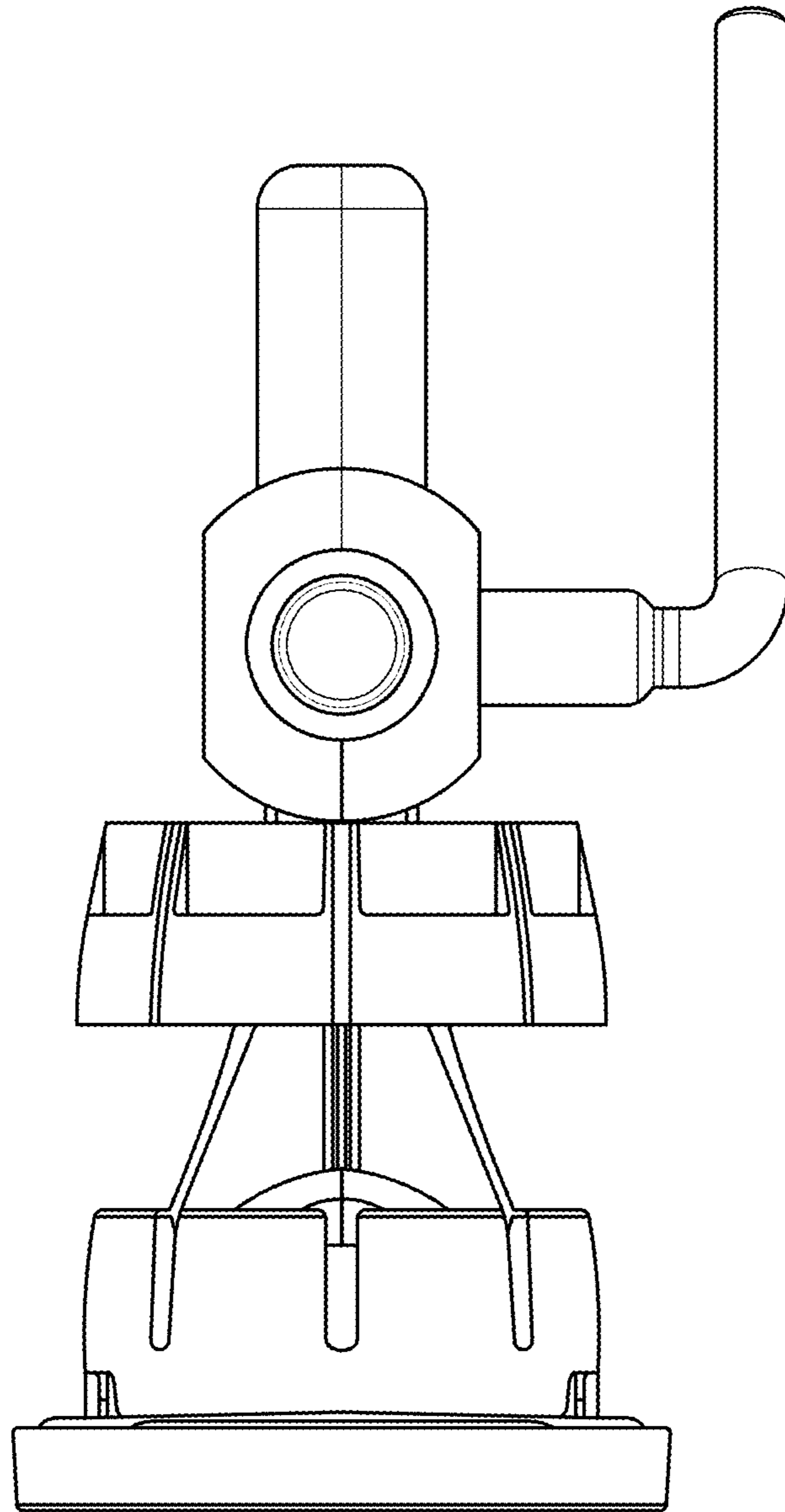


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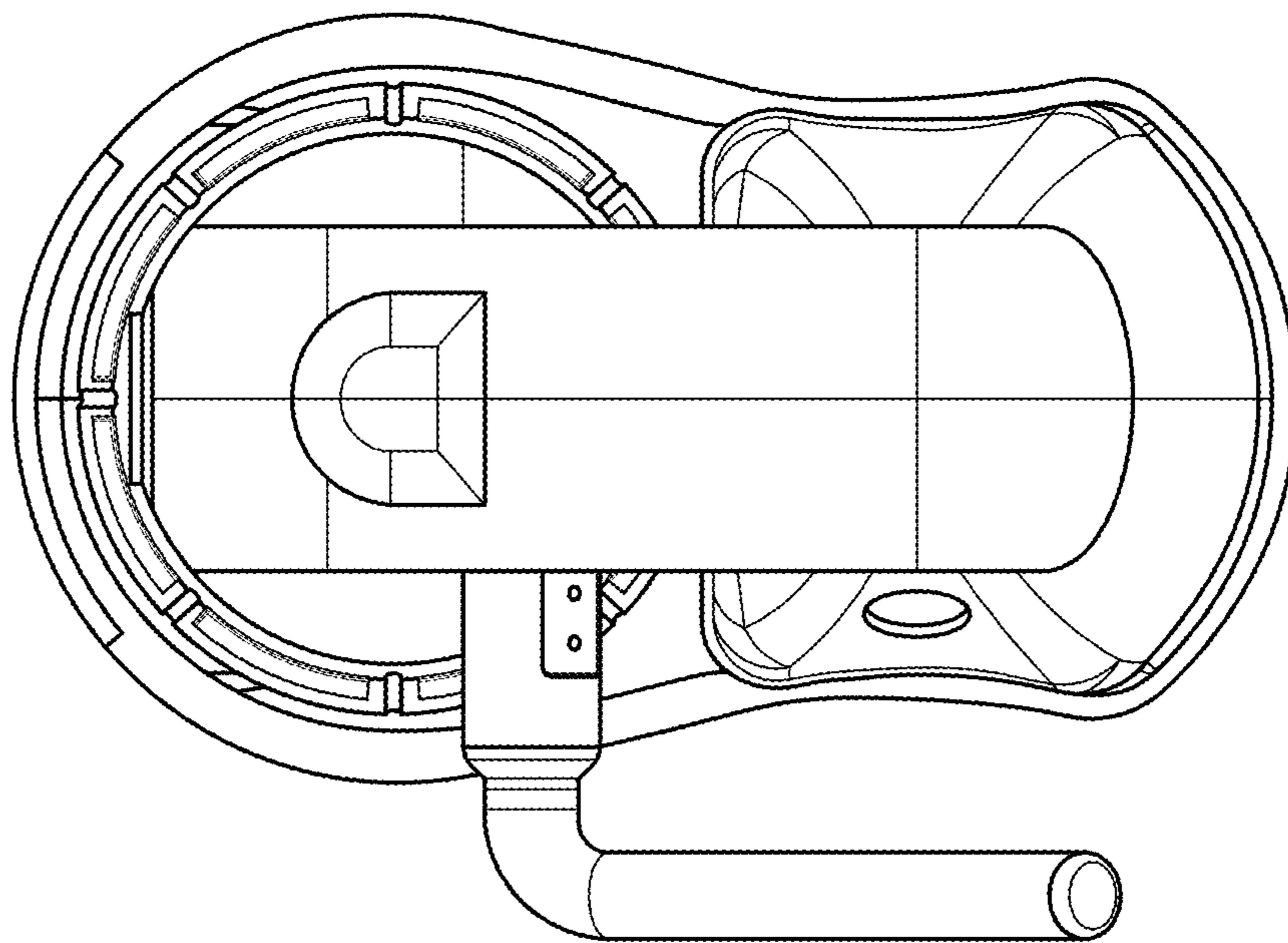


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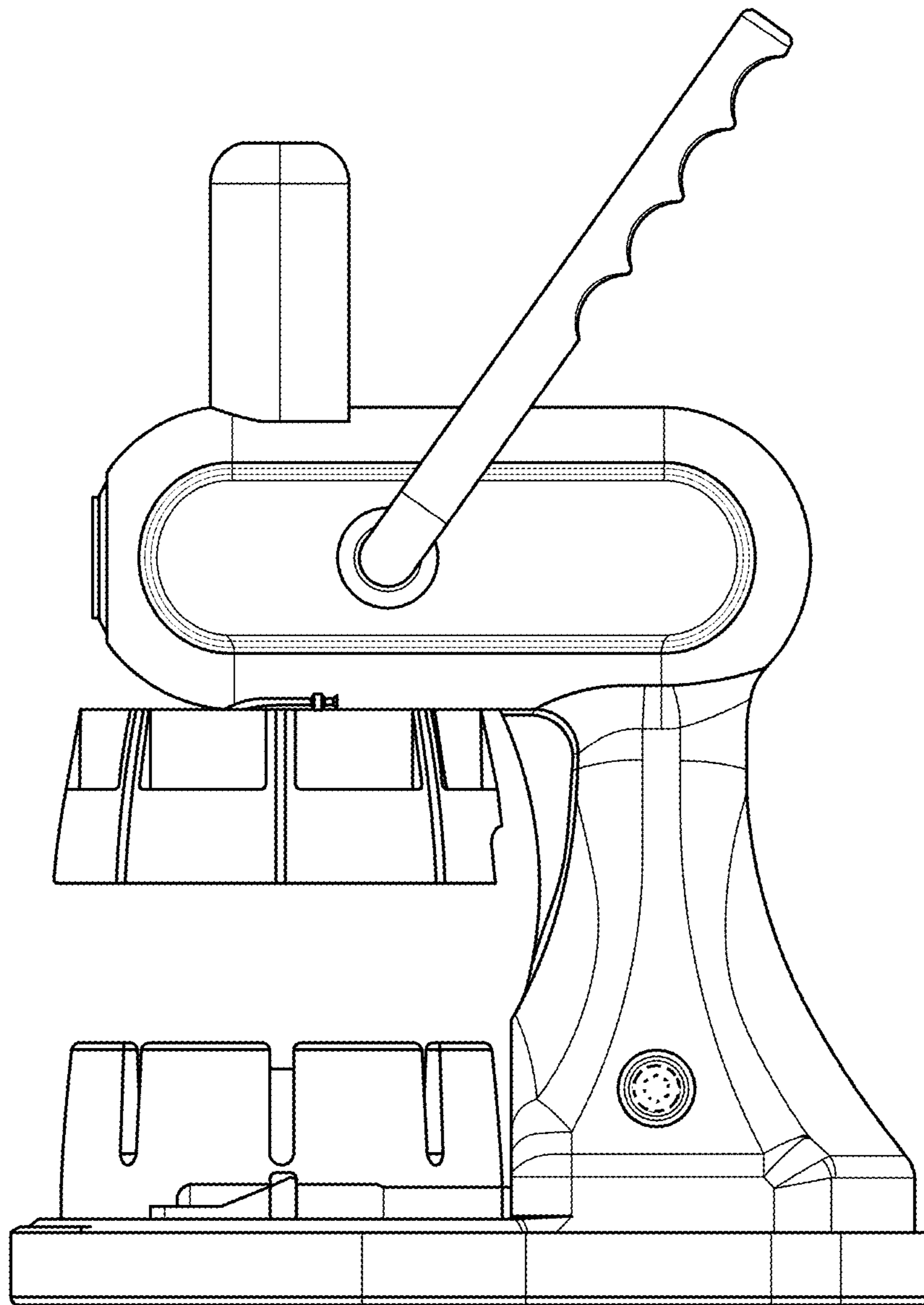


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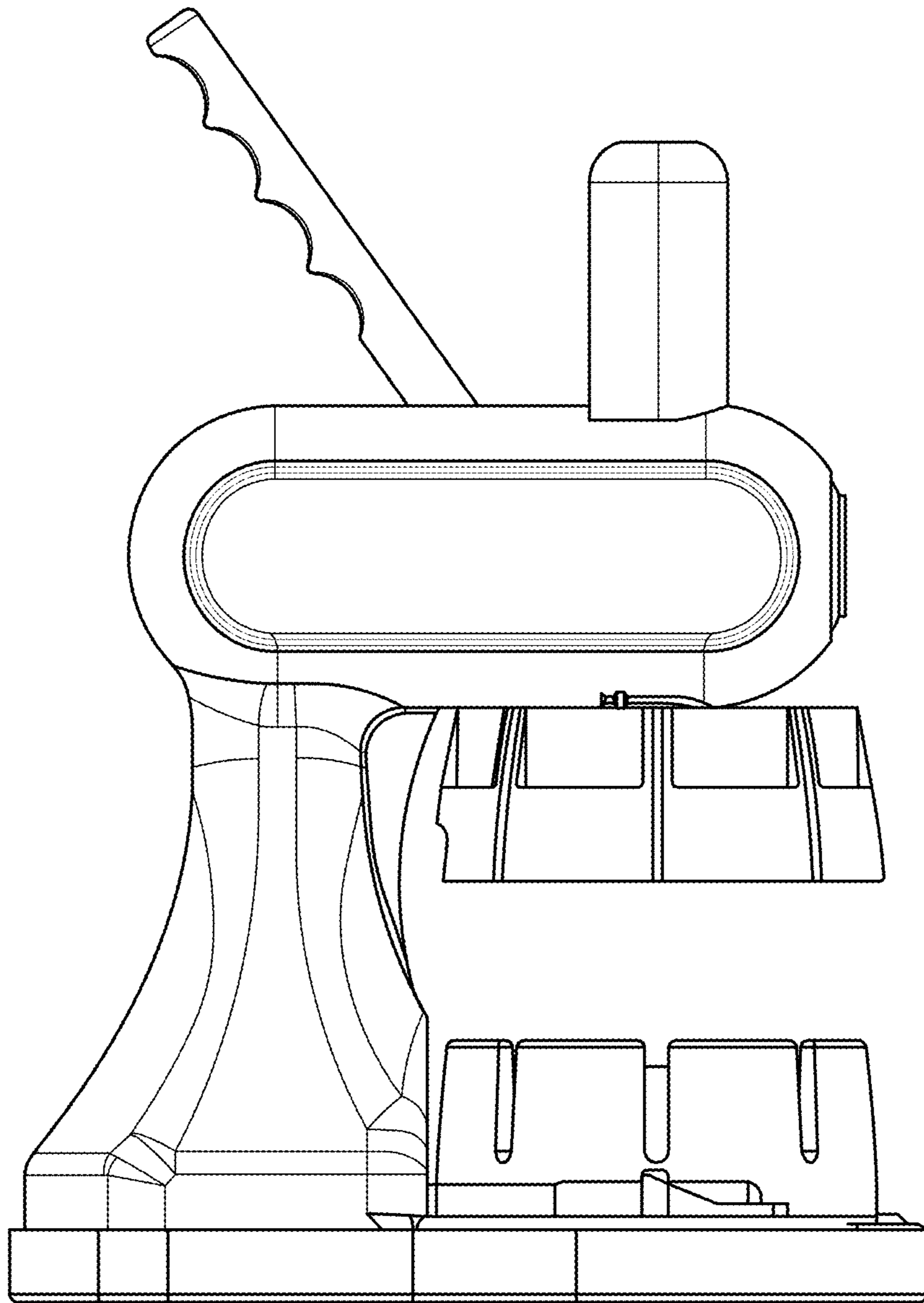


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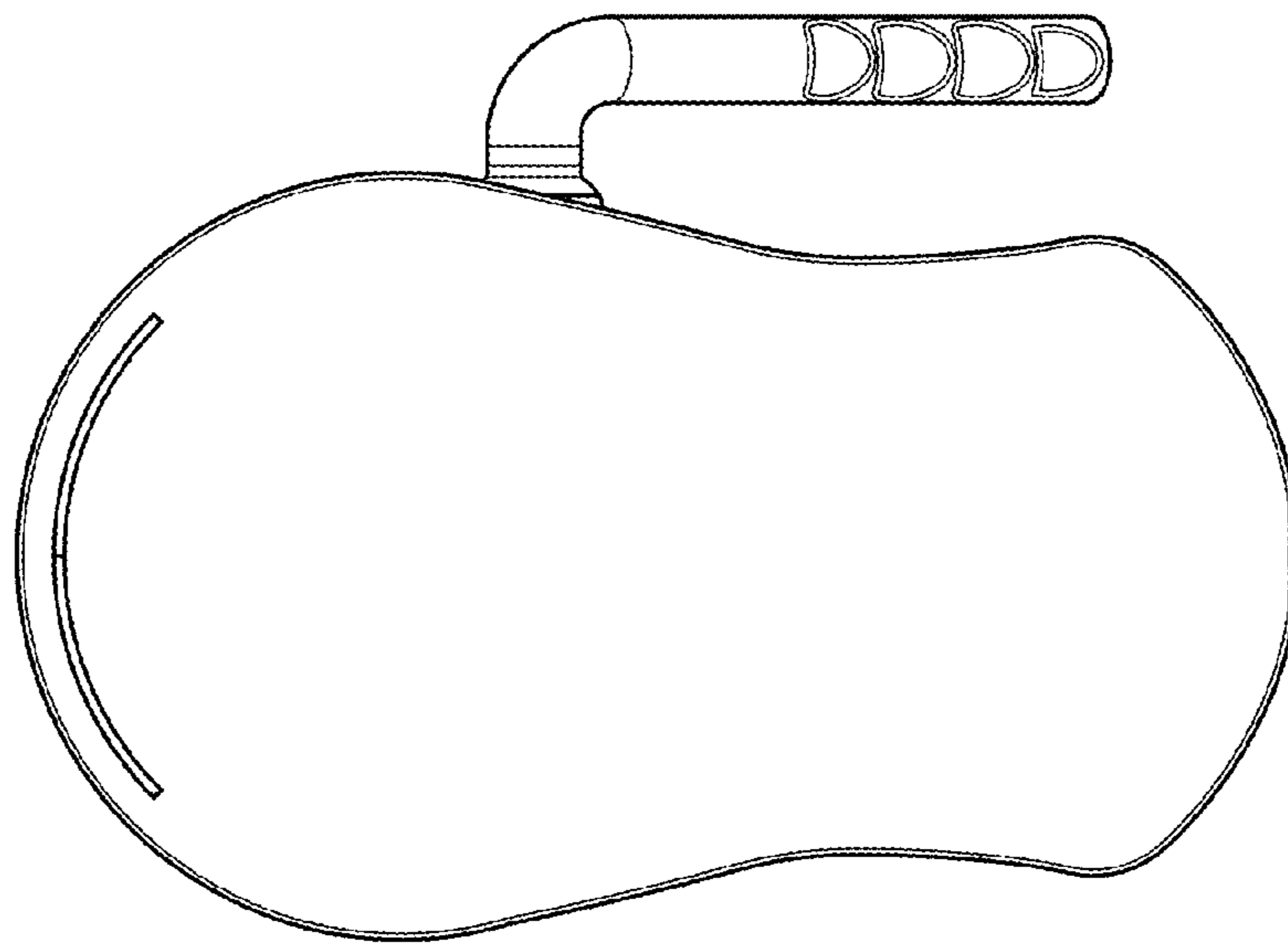


FIG. 6