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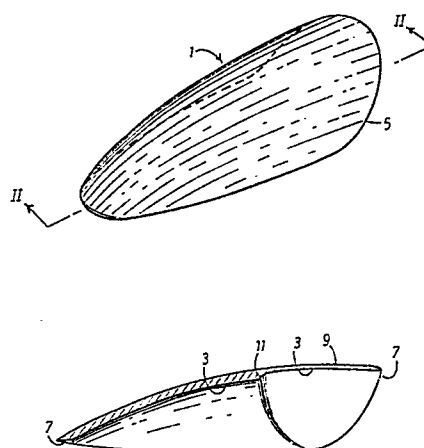
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54 **Improvements in or relating to artificial fingernails.**

57 An artificial fingernail for adhering to the exposed surface of a natural fingernail made of an acrylonitrile/butadiene/styrene polymer and having a rear portion (9) of reduced thickness to enable the portion (9) to be pressed down onto the natural nail to achieve a close-fitting junction with the cuticle of the natural nail. The border between the area (9) of reduced thickness and the remainder of the artificial nail is convex with respect to the rear edge (5) of the nail, when viewed in plan. The rear edge (5) of the nail, when viewed from the rear of the nail, presents an inverted, deeply convex configuration. The artificial nail is adhered to the natural nail using a liquid cyanoacrylate adhesive.





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