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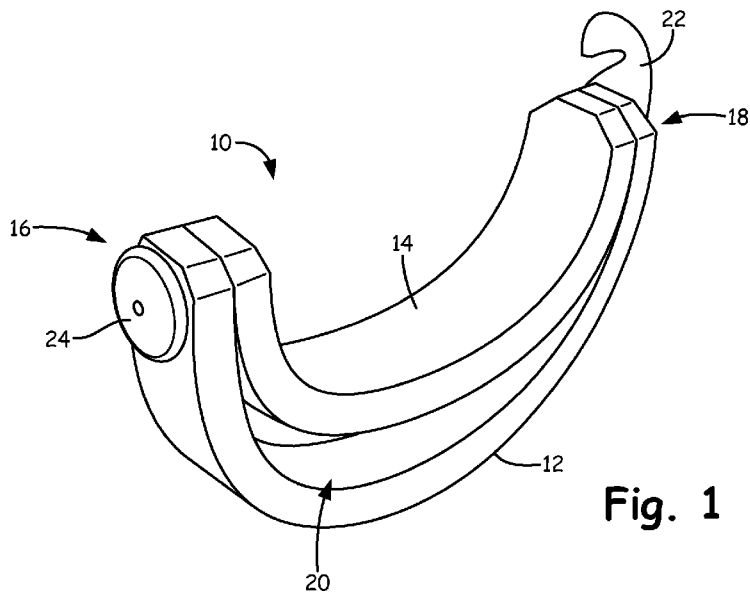


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A device for styling hair includes a first flexible, deformable elongated body member having a length and having first and second end portions, and a second flexible, deformable elongated body member having first and second end portions connected to the first and second end portions of the first body member, respectively. The second body member has a length that is less than the length of the first body member, so that a gap is formed between the first body member and the second body member through which hair may be inserted. An attachment mechanism is configured to secure the first end portion of the first body member to the second end portion of the first body member in a rounded configuration in which the first and second body members are deformed into a rounded shape with the second body member positioned inside a circumference of the first body member.



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