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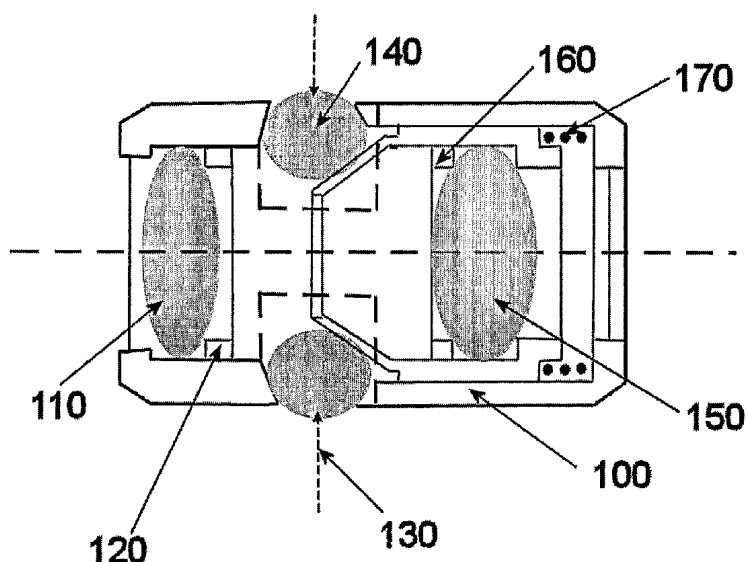
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(54) Title: MEDICAL APPARATUS COMPRISING AND ADAPTIVE LENS

FIG. 10



(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to apparatus and methods for using one or more adaptive lenses in medical devices. The apparatus and methods involve the use of one or more adaptive lens components to accomplish such tasks as improving, easing, and simplifying examination of patients, and providing instruments that can be conveniently and rapidly adjusted to accommodate to the clinical and personal physical requirements of medical practitioners.

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B. FIELDS SEARCHED

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U.S. : 351/200, 205, 206, 214, 216, 219; 359/665, 666, 738, 739, 740

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Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practicable, search terms used)

EAST: focus, zoom, variabe, fluid lens, ophthalmoscope

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 4,286,839 A (ILZIG et al) 01 September 1981 (01.09.81), Figs 2b,2c, see entire document.	61
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BOX III. OBSERVATIONS WHERE UNITY OF INVENTION IS LACKING

1. This International Preliminary Examining Authority has found 22 inventions claimed in the International Application covered by the claims indicated below:

I. Claims 1-10, drawn to an apparatus and method for recording frame of data, classified in class 345, subclass 356.

II. Claim 11, drawn to a method for measuring the size of an object using a correlated table, classified in class 356, subclass 335.

III. Claims 12-14 and 63, drawn to a lens system for a binocular indirect ophthalmoscope, classified in class 351, subclass 200.

IV. Claims 15-19, 50 and 51, drawn to an apparatus including wavefront sensing means, classified in class 351, subclass 205.

V. Claims 20-22, drawn to a computational image system for the construction of an iris-processing module, classified in class 382, subclass 118.

VI. Claims 23-24, drawn to a lens system in a joint-transform correlator, classified in class 382, subclass 278.

VII. Claims 25-31 and 64, drawn to a variable focal length fluid lens system, classified in class 359, subclass 666.

VIII. Claims 32-33, drawn to a combination of light path system and a beamsplitter, classified in class 359, subclass 618.

IX. Claims 34-37, drawn to an eye viewing device, classified in class 351, subclass 216.

X. Claims 38-42, drawn to an array of lens elements in an imaging device, classified in class 359, subclass 619.

XI. Claims 43-44, drawn to a miniaturized colposcope, classified in class 600, subclass 188.

- XII. Claims 45-49, drawn to a lens system including a correcting temperature means, classified in class 359, subclass 820.
- XIII. Claims 52-54, 75-78 and 82-88, drawn to a voltage controllable segmented lens with at least one interface between the fluid materials, classified in class 359, subclass 665.
- XIV. Claims 55-60, drawn to a handheld medical device, classified in class 351, subclass 200.
- XV. Claims 61 and 72, drawn to a headlight, classified in class 362, subclass 512.
- XVI. Claim 62, drawn to an apparatus including a projection means for project an object on the selected portion of a retina, classified in class 351, subclass 206.
- XVII. Claims 65-68, drawn to a method for stabilizing the motion of an image, classified in class 369, subclass 55.
- XVIII. Claim 69, drawn to a method for calibrating, classified in class 702, subclass 85.
- XIX. Claim 71, drawn to an apparatus including an inertial sensor, classified in class 356, subclass 27.
- XX. Claims 73,74, drawn to a method for accommodating the myopia/hyperopia, classified in class 351, subclass 246.
- XXI. Claims 79 and 80, drawn to a display including a contrast bar pattern, classified in class 351, subclass 205.
- XXII. Claim 81, drawn to an eyewear including correcting means, classified in class 351, subclass 41.

and it considers that the International Application does not comply with the requirements of unity of invention (Rules 13.1, 13.2 and 13.3) for the reasons indicated below:

The claims of these twenty-two groups are directed to different inventions which are not so linked to form a single general inventive concept. The inventions are not linked in operation and perform completely different operations.