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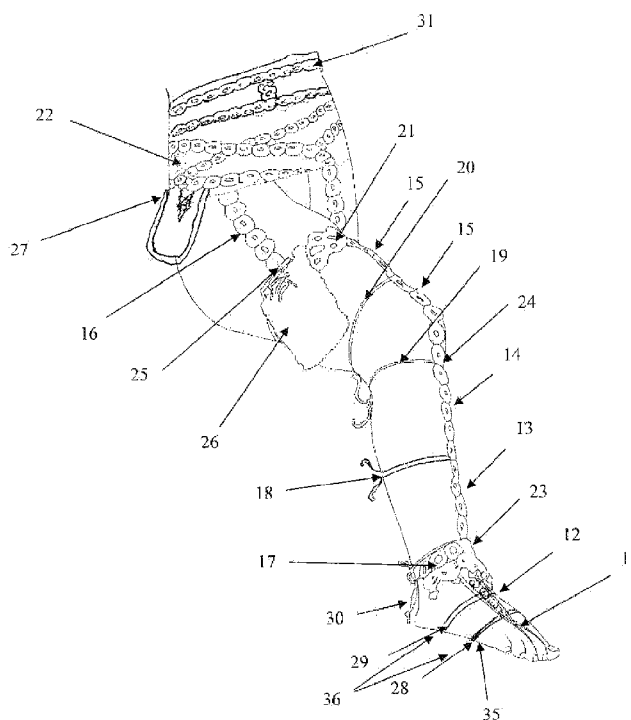
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(57) Abstract: The present invention is an innovative way, to incorporate the bare foot sandal with a high thigh stocking and garter belt, by assembling them with intricate artistic jewellery, from the toes, up to the legs and thigh, then higher up to the hips and waist; having a pouch, utilized for temporarily holding small valuables, like cell phones, credit card or lipstick. The foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly system, wherein, the style can be altered, depending upon the occasion and each segment is capable of being worn separately, or in combination with an adjacent segment, providing a cost-effective foot assembly or a leg ornamental device, to complement the beauty of the foot-leg-thigh, with the new possibility of providing the wearer interchangeable jewellery, on shoe soles.



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**TITLE OF THE INVENTION**

Flexible Foot-leg-thigh-hip jewellery

**TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

[001] This invention generally relates to the field of fashion, and particularly to an accessory for enhancing the beauty of one's foot and, more particularly, to a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery having interchangeable features like sandals assembly, which is to be positioned at one's foot, more particularly, the leg, the thigh the hip-waist or in any of the combinations stated for enhancing the beauty of one's foot, legs and hip.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

[002] Barefoot sandals are somewhat of a product of evolution from South Asia. These were first developed as variation of jewellery that was designed specifically for the feet and worn as a symbol of ceremonial celebration, especially for brides for celebrating their upcoming nuptials and vows. There are many variations of barefoot sandals which can be accomplished by altering the materials used or varying the styles used as well as varied utilization of the area of the foot or leg they cover. However, these all have one thing in common in that, they don't have soles like other sandals or shoes, and these usually have a loop in which to slide the second or third toe through and a tie or clasp that wraps around the ankle to hold them into place. Conveniently, the beauty of barefoot sandals is that they can be worn by themselves, with traditional sandals.

[003] Besides, the mentioned barefoot sandals, another item worth mentioning to understand the present invention had its reference drawn from Garters, popular in the 1930s and 1940s, that apart from being a fancy wearable item doubled as a small purse to carry small valuables for ladies.

[004] These garter belts or suspenders consist of an elasticised material strip of at least 2" to 3" in width, but could be wider, that is worn around the waist, to which 2 or 3 elastic suspender 'slings' are attached on each side, where the material is shaped to the contours of the body. The suspenders were typically clipped to the stockings with metal clips into which a rubber disc was inserted through the stocking material effectively 'locking' the stocking in place. These were normally attached to a length of elastic allowing for adjustment. These clips, also known as suspender slings, were best attached to stockings with a simple welt that do not have lace, or 'hold-ups' with a silicon rubber lining.

[005] By way of example, U.S. Pat. No. 5,386,710 to Alberta M- Moore, discloses a foot jewellery; U.S. publication no. 2007/0062217 A1 discloses an instep jewellery, U.S. Pat. No. 4,502,158 to Mouri, Uemura and Koryo-cho discloses a slip down-free socks with a garter and lastly, U.S. Pat. No. Des. 335,102 to Crowder and Worchester discloses a leg ring.

[006] While these devices fulfil their respective particular objectives and requirements, the aforementioned patents do not describe a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist ornamentation device, which enhances the aesthetic beauty of the leg of the wearer, apart from providing functional utility of handy storage and having the flexibility, of being worn in parts, depending upon the occasion to be worn.

[007] My invention, the foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly, can be worn with or without shoes. Shoes for women, with a plurality of interchangeable heels, in which shoes can change from high heels to flats in seconds, where the heels just click off and click back on, which is a new thing, but interchangeable jewellery on shoe soles are unheard of, especially, one that ornaments for the legs, from the toes up to the hips-waist like an earring for the ear or a necklace for the neck.

## **SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

[008] The present invention is an innovative way, to blend the bare foot sandal with a high thigh stocking and garter belt, incorporating and assembling them, with intricate artistic jewellery, from the toes, up to the legs and then up to the hips-waist, making a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist decoration, that can be also used as interchangeable jewellery on shoe soles.

[009] An objective of the present invention is to provide a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly, for enhancing the beauty of the foot up to the leg, thigh, hip-waist.

[0010] Another objective of the present invention, is to provide a pouch for temporarily, holding small valuables, like cell phones, or lipstick, in place of a small purse.

[0011] Still another objective of the present invention is to provide a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly, wherein the style can be altered, depending upon the occasion and can be worn up to the ankle, or up to the knee, or up to the thigh, along with the hip-waist band inserted for decoration.

[0012] A further object of the present invention is to provide flexibility in fastening the said decorative jewellery, depending upon the design and the occasion for wearing it.

[0013] A still further objective of the present invention, is to provide flexibility in the choice of materials, wherein, a material could be any fabric, yarn, thread, elastic, leather, even metal and stone combinations and fastener which is elastically expandable and contractible.

[0014] Another objective of the present invention is to provide flexibility when making the foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery, wherein, the technique involved, could be either hand-made or machine made.

[0015] It is still yet, another object of the invention, to provide a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist accessory, which can be a cost-effective means, to accessorize a particular outfit, while enhancing the beauty of one's foot-leg-thigh-hip or waist.

[0016] A still further objective of the present invention is to provide the wearer with a leg ornament device to complement the beauty of the foot-leg-thigh, with the new possibility of providing interchangeable jewellery, on shoe soles for the wearer.

[0017] In addition to the various objects and advantages of the invention which have been described in some specific detail above it should be noted that various other objects and advantages of the present invention will become more readily apparent to those persons who are skilled in the relevant art from the following more detailed description, particularly, when such description is taken in conjunction with the attached drawing Figures and with the appended claims.

#### **BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

[0018] The present invention will be described in more detail hereinafter with the aid of the description which relates to preferred embodiments of the invention explained with reference to the accompanying schematic drawings, in which:

[0019] Figure 1 illustrates the detailed view of all the segments of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly from the toe up to the hip-waist, with the provision of a pouch on the hip-waist of the jewellery of the present invention.

[0020] Figure 2 illustrates the detailed front view of the foot segment of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention.

[0021] Figure 2A illustrates the detailed side view of the foot segment of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention.

[0022] Figure 3, illustrates the front view of the leg segment (the ankle, calf and knee parts) of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention.

[0023] Figure 4, illustrates the front view of the thigh segment (the knee and thigh parts) of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention.

[0024] Figure 5, illustrates the side view of the flexible jewellery (particularly the leg and thigh segment) with provision of the pouch on the thigh of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention.

[0025] Figure 6, illustrates the front/side view of plurality of designs, particularly, how the jewellery assembly of the foot segment can be changed into a plurality of positions and models and then attached to a shoe sole with connecting means, or passing under a sole's crown as seen on the illustration, of the decorative foot segment jewellery assembly of the present invention.

[0026] Figure 7, illustrates the side view of the sole's crown that allows for the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention, particularly, the jewellery assembly of the foot segment to be tied to the shoe's sole .

#### **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS**

[0027] Before describing the invention in detail, the reader is advised that, for the sake of clarity and understanding, identical components having identical functions have been marked where possible with the same reference numerals in each of the Figures provided in this document.

[0028] The jewellery assembly of the foot segment, comprises a band, a bridge and a plurality of straps, cords, and fastening means that are used in a predetermined way, to decorate the front and back of the foot. Wherein, the first bridge **12** is configured, to be worn on the top of the wearer's foot and starts with a toe loop **11** which, then merges forming the top line **28** with the said straps at the toe level and hooked at the sides of the sole's crown with fastening means **35** or depending on the design, the said strap goes under the sole's crown **32** to continue fastening, then merges forming the vamp **29** with the said straps and hooked at the sides of the sole's crown with fastening means **35**, the said strap goes under the sole's crown **32** to continue fastening towards the ankle including designs of **figure 6**. The said first bridge **12** continues up to the wearer's ankle, where it reaches an open ended first band **17** with a predetermined decorative design ending at the front/center of the ankle with the first connector **23**, and branches further in the form of fastening means **35**, by looping around the back of wearer's ankle and securing snugly, as is fastened either with the strap itself or with cords **30**.

[0029] The jewellery assembly of the leg segment, comprises a plurality of bands, bridges, straps, cords, and fastening means that are used in a predetermined way, to decorate the front and back of the leg. Wherein, the second bridge **13** has left and right fastening means **35** used for tying to the first connector **23**. The said second bridge **13** further extends to form an open ended second band **18**, on the calf region of the leg and can be fastened by looping around the back of wearer's calf and securing it snugly with fastening means **35**.

[0030] The foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly is further extended to form a third bridge **14**, which further branches in the form of an open ended third band **19**, with a predetermined decorative design ending at the front/center of the knee reaching the second connector **24** near the knee of the wearer which can be fastened by looping around the back of wearer's knee and securing it snugly with fastening means **35**.

[0031] The jewellery assembly of the thigh segment, comprises a plurality of bands, bridges, straps, cords, and fastening means that are used in a predetermined way, to decorate the front and back of the thigh. Wherein, the fourth bridge **15**, starts with strap that has left and right fastening means **35** used for tying to the second connector **24**, the said fourth bridge **15**, further branches in the form of an open ended fourth band **20**, that has left and right fastening means **35** which can be fastened to the wearer's thigh. The said fourth bridge **15** further branches in the form of an open ended fifth band **21**, with a predetermined decorative design ending at the front/center of the thigh reaching the third connector **25** near the thigh of the wearer which can be fastened to the wearer's thigh by looping around the back and securing it snugly with the wearer's thigh, with fastening means **35** that is connected to a pouch **26**. Depending on the wearer's desire, the pouch can be removed and worn on the hip-waist instead **27**.

[0032] The jewellery assembly of the hip-waist segment, comprises a plurality of straps and cords, that are used in a predetermined way, to decorate the hip-waist. Wherein, the fifth bridge **16**, of the jewellery assembly, starts with a left and right fastening means **35**, and is used for tying to the third connector **25**. The said fifth bridge **16** is further extended to the hip-waist of the wearer, in the form of an open ended six band **22** and fastened by looping around the wearer's hip-waist, with fastening means **35**, that is connected to a pouch **27**. Depending on the wearer's desire, the pouch can be removed and worn on the thigh instead **26**. Also, depending on the design, the hip-waist bands **22**, **31** can end on the hip **22** or at the waist **31**.

[0033] In an embodiment of the present invention, a plurality of bands, bridges, connectors, and straps of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly is provided with fastening means **35**, which can be snaps, eyelets, clips, cords, buttons, elastic, buckles, clasps, hooks and eyes.

[0034] In an embodiment of the present invention, a plurality of bands, straps and cords fastens the decorative jewellery assembly to the wearer's foot, leg, thigh, hip-waist.

[0035] In an embodiment of the present invention, a plurality of bridges, connectors and fastening means, connects and fastens the plurality of segments, bands and straps to form the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly, with fastening means **35**.

[0036] In an embodiment of the present invention, depending on the wearer's desire the pouch of the decorative foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly can be removed from the hip **27** and worn on the thigh instead **26**, and vice versa.

[0037] In an embodiment of the present invention, depending on the wearer's desire, the hip-waist bands **22**, **31** can be wide and worn up to the hip **22** or can be wider and worn up to the waist **31**.

[0038] In an embodiment of the present invention, depending on the wearer's desire, the plurality of bands, bridges, straps and cords has different lengths, widths, and decorative designs and shapes.

[0039] In an embodiment of the present invention, depending on the wearer's desire, the first segment of the foot can be configured in a plurality of designs **figure 6**, and can be fastened to the foot with shoes, or without shoes. To illustrate a plurality of designs, figures **6A**, **6E of figure 6**: The first bridge **12**, starts with a toe loop **11**, which then merges, forming the top line with strap **28** and hooked at the sides by going above the sole's crown **32** and then under the wearer's foot in a "X" direction towards the back of the foot, then, said strap continues under the sole's crown **32** and up again fastening the foot while forming the vamp **29** in the shape of "X" and continue fastening the foot towards the ankle.

[0040] To illustrate a plurality of designs, figures **6D**, **6F of figure 6**: The first bridge **12**, starts with the straps that forms the top line **28**, which are hooked at the sides of the sole's crown **32** with fastening means **35**. The said bridge **12**, continues, then merges forming the vamp **29** with the said straps fastening the foot, above the sole's crown **32** and again under the foot while forming an "X" shape under the foot, then up again, hooking the top-back of the foot with the sole's crown **32** and continue fastening the foot towards the ankle.

[0041] To illustrate a plurality of designs, figures **6B**, of **figure 6**: The first bridge **12**, starts with a toe loop **11** which, then merges forming the top line with the straps **28** and hooked at the sides by

going above the sole's crown **32** and then under the wearer's foot in a "X" direction towards the middle of the foot, then, said strap continues and hook the foot with the sole's crown **32** and under again fastening the foot the wearer's foot in a "X" direction towards the back of the foot, then, said strap continues and hook the foot with the sole's crown **32** and under again fastening the back of the foot towards the ankle.

[0042] To illustrate a plurality of designs, figures **6C of figure 6**: The first bridge **12**, starts with the straps forming the top line **28**, while on strap hooked at one side of sole by going above the sole's crown **32** the other strap goes under the sole's crown **32** and then under the wearer's foot in a "X" direction towards the middle of the foot, but one strap above the foot and the other under the foot, then, said strap continues and hook the foot with the sole's crown **32** and under again fastening the foot, then, said strap continues and hook the foot with the sole's crown **32** and under again fastening the back of the foot towards the ankle.

[0043] In an embodiment of the present invention, the band of the thigh segment of the foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery is provided with fastening means **35** like elastic materials to help secure the jewellery snugly around the thigh, preventing it from sliding down the leg.

[0044] In another embodiment of the present invention, the band at the thigh and hip segments of the wearer is further provided with a pouch **26, 27** for holding small valuables, like cell phones, or lipstick thereby, providing an alternative to carrying a small purse.

[0045] In an embodiment of the present invention, the foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly can either be worn in a combined way or it can also be worn in parts separately. To achieve the present result, each of the 3 connectors **23, 24, 25** are provided at the upper part of the foot, leg, and thigh segments. Each connector has a decorative and fastening function to connect and fasten to the next bridge of the segment of the jewellery assembly.

[0046] In another embodiment of the present invention, each segment's bridge has connecting or fastening means **35** that further function to decorate, hold, fasten to the 3 connectors **23, 24, 25** of the next segment and the sole's crown **32**.

[0047] The materials used for making the foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly, of the present invention, could be any fabric, yarns, threads, leather, or in combination with metals, stones, which can be manufacture elastically expandable and contractible, thereby providing flexibility to the wearer.

[0048] The foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention could be handmade with techniques like sewing, crochet, weaving or can be machine made.

[0049] The foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist jewellery assembly of the present invention are further provided with decorative means, for enhancing the aesthetic beauty of the said jewellery. This decorative means can be one or a plurality of charms, precious stones, semi-precious stones, non-precious stones, seed beads, beads and/or bows or any other well known decorative.

[0050] The foregoing descriptions of specific embodiments of the present invention have been presented for purposes of illustration and description only. They are not intended to be exhaustive or to limit the present invention to the precise forms disclosed, and obviously modifications remain possible, in particular from the point of view of the design of the various elements or by substitution of equivalent methods, without thus departing from the scope of protection of the invention.

#### **Drawings - List of Reference Numerals**

11 - toe loop

12 - first bridge

13 - second bridge

14 - third bridge

15 - fourth bridge

16 - fifth bridge

17 - first band

18 - second band

19 - third band

20 - fourth band

21 - fifth band

22 - six band

23 - first connector

24 - second connector

25 - third connector

26 - thigh pouch

27 - hip pouch

28 - top line

29 - vamp

30 - cords

31 - seven band

32 - sole's crown

**35** - fastening means

**36** - strap

**CLAIMS: I Claim**

1. A jewellery kit for decorating the foot, leg, hip-waist of a wearer, the kit comprising:
  - a. a foot segment having a first bridge, configured to be worn in a predetermined way to decorate the top of a foot, and starts with a toe loop, that merges in a plurality of straps, creating a plurality of designs to fasten the said jewellery to the foot or the shoe sole with fastening means, the said first bridge is configured to have a first band to be tied around an ankle, with a plurality of fastening means, the first bridge having a first connector; and
  - b. a calf segment having a second bridge, configured to be adjacent to the first bridge and connected via the first connector, the calf segment, having the said second bridge, having a second and third band, configured to be tied around a calf and the knee of a wearer with a plurality of fastening means and a third bridge with a second connector; and
  - c. a thigh segment having a fourth bridge, configured to be adjacent to the third bridge connected via the second connector, the said thigh segment, having a fourth and fifth band, configured to be tied around a thigh of a wearer with a plurality of fastening means; and
  - d. a hip-waist segment having a fifth bridge, configured to be adjacent and connectable to the thigh segment via the third connector, the said hip-waist segment having a band configured to be worn around a hip-waist of the wearer and to be tied with a plurality of fastening means, and; wherein, each segment is capable of being worn separately, or in combination with an adjacent segment,
2. The jewellery kit of claim 1, wherein the band of the hip-waist segment is provided with fastening means, selected from the group consisting of: snaps, elastics, eyelets, clips, cords, buttons, buckles, clasps, hooks and eyes,
3. The jewellery kit of claim 1, further comprising a pouch, connected to either the thigh or hip-waist segment,
4. The jewellery kit of claim 1, further comprising one or more decorative means, selected from the group consisting of: charms, precious stones, semi-precious stones, non-precious stones, seed beads, beads and bows, or any other decorative means.
5. The jewellery kit of claim 1, wherein, the segments are made of flexible or rigid decorative materials,
6. The jewellery kit of claim 1, further comprising a plurality of decorative bands, bridges, straps and cords with different lengths, widths, shapes, textures, and designs,
7. The jewellery kit of claim 1, can be used as interchangeable jewellery on shoe soles, or used as a foot-leg-thigh-hip-waist ornament device to enhance the aesthetic beauty of the leg of the wearer.

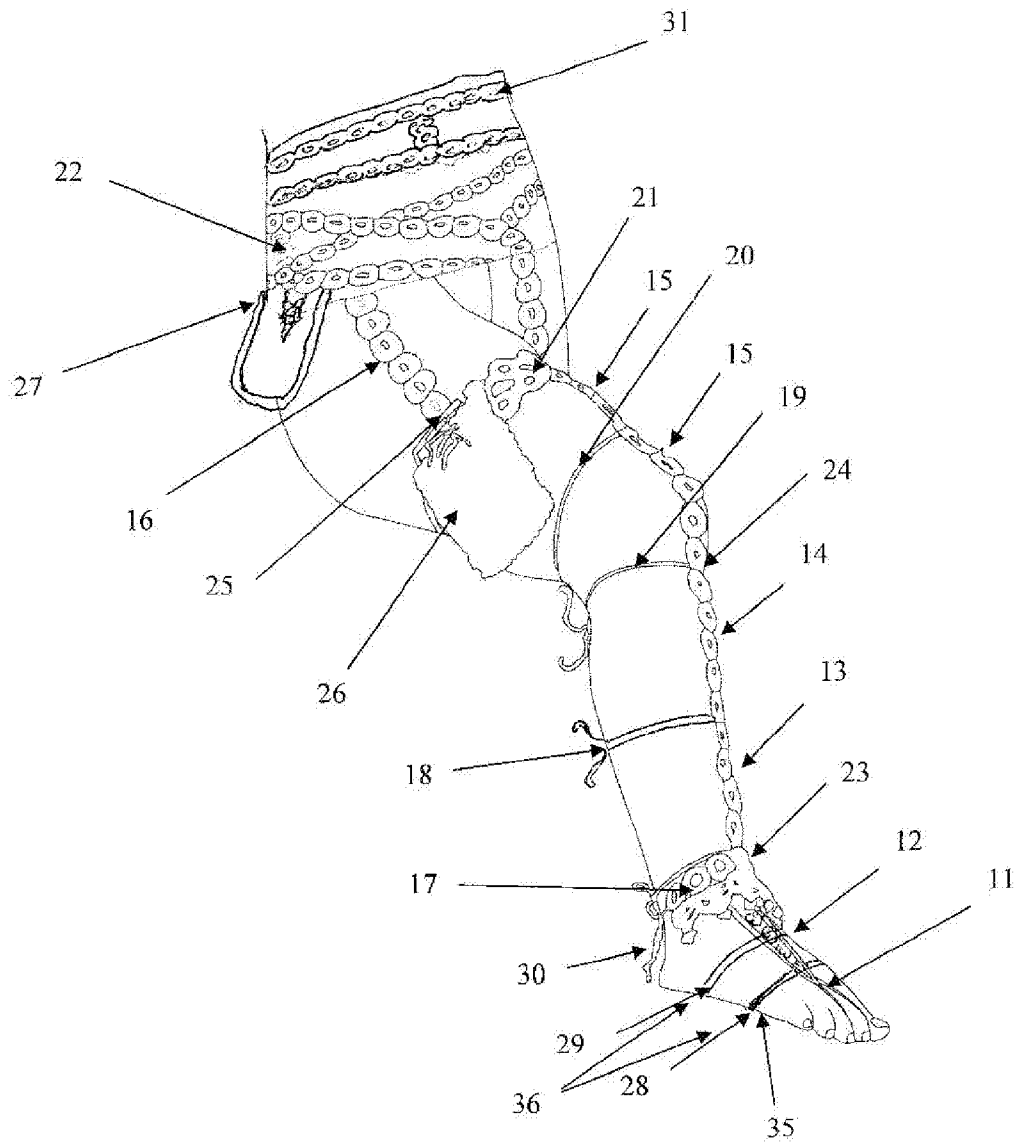


FIGURE 1

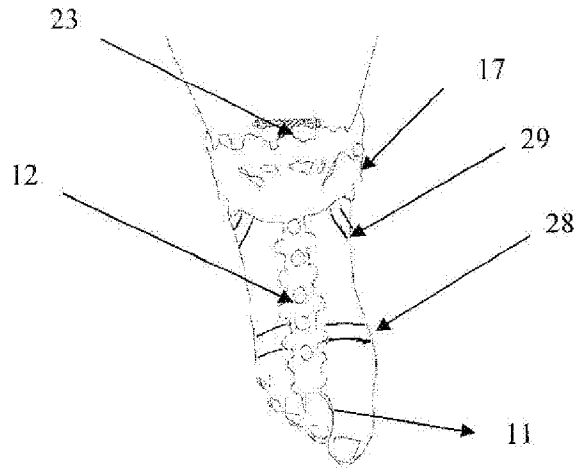


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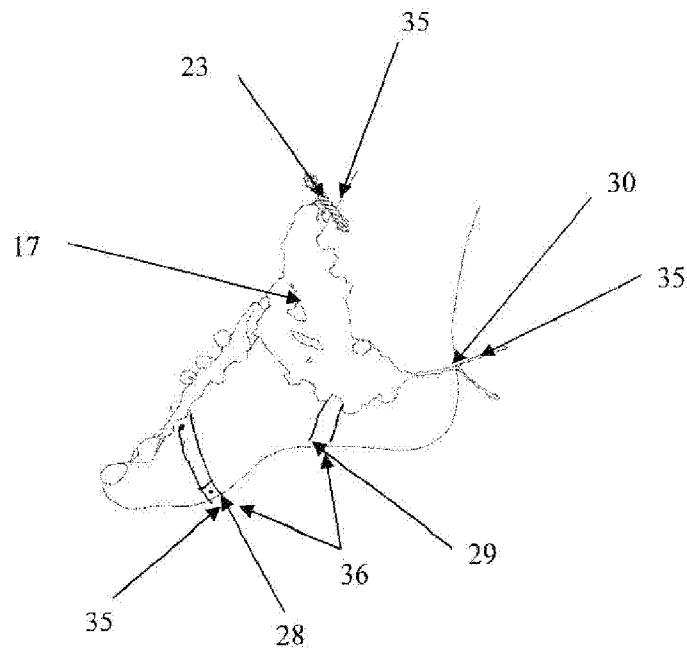


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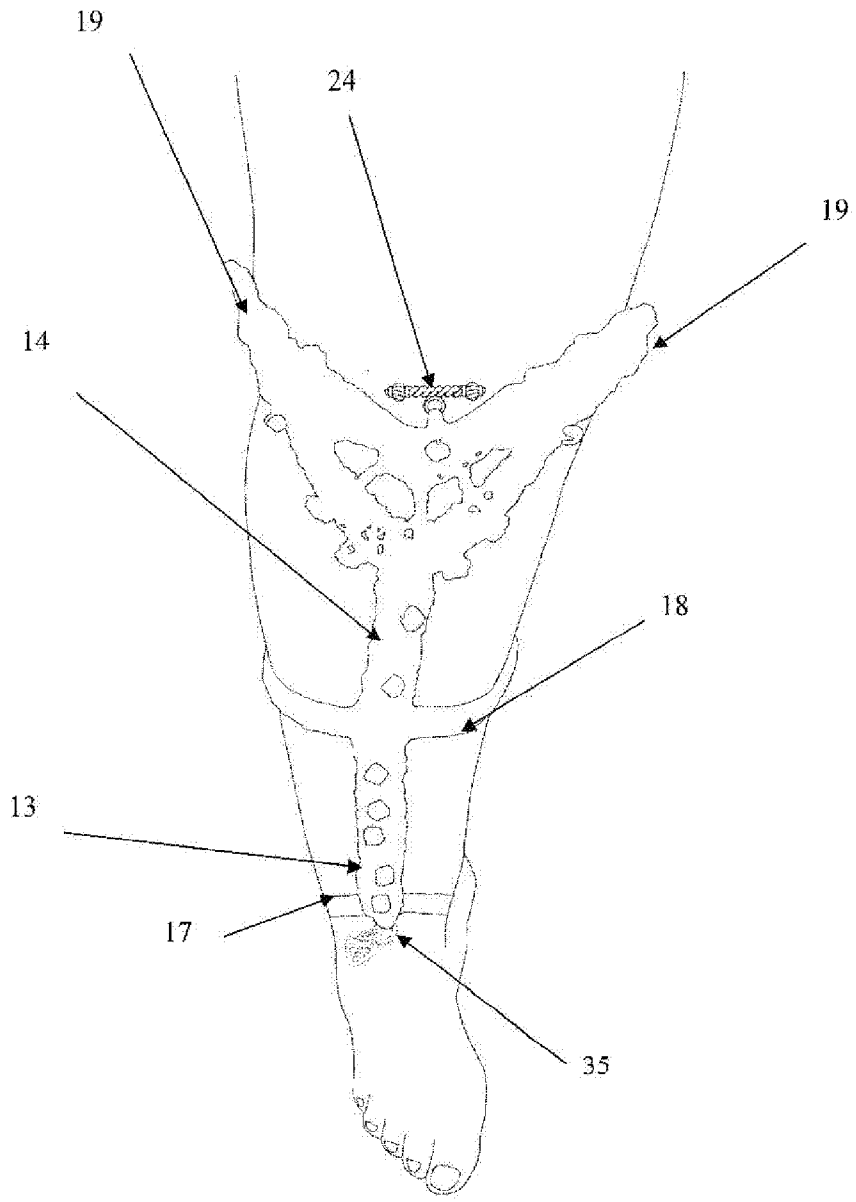


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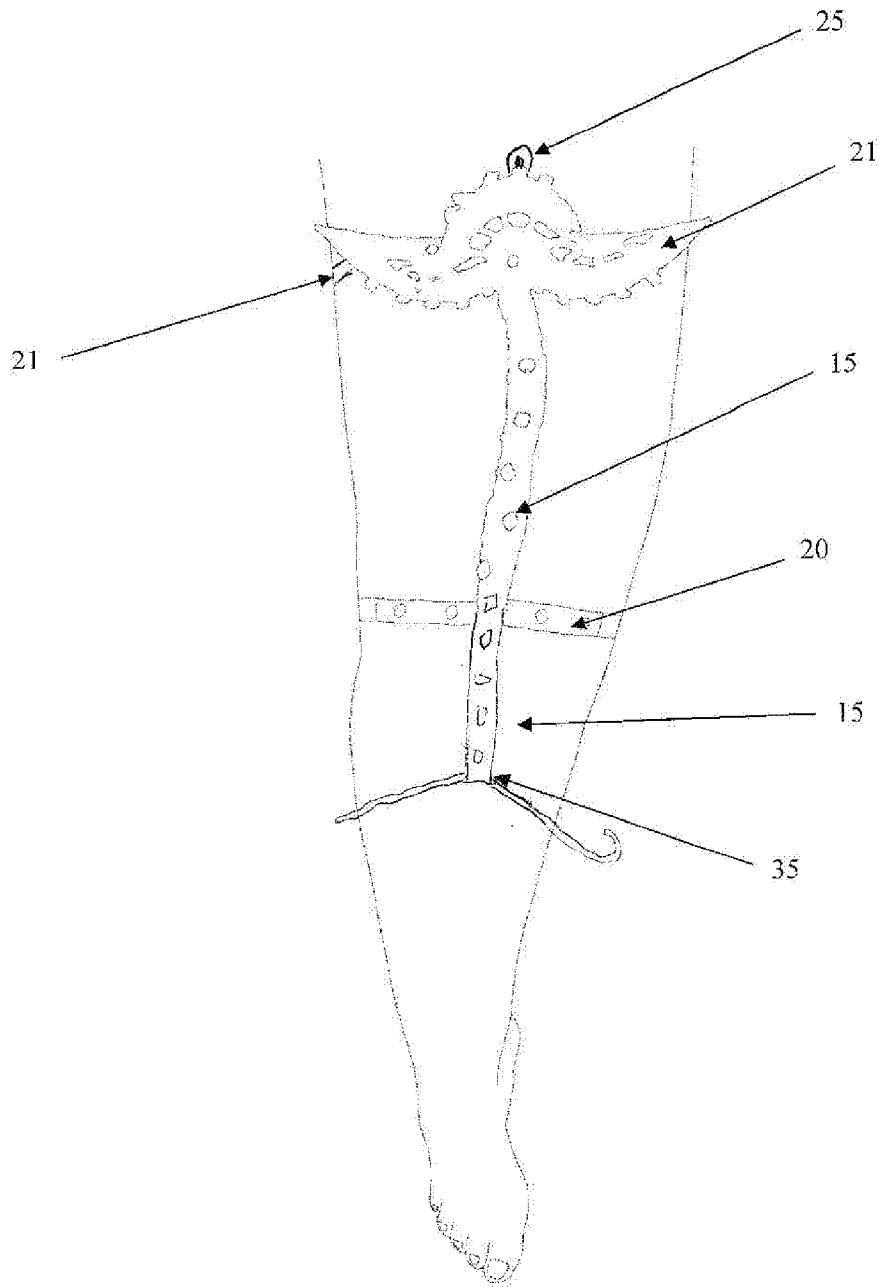


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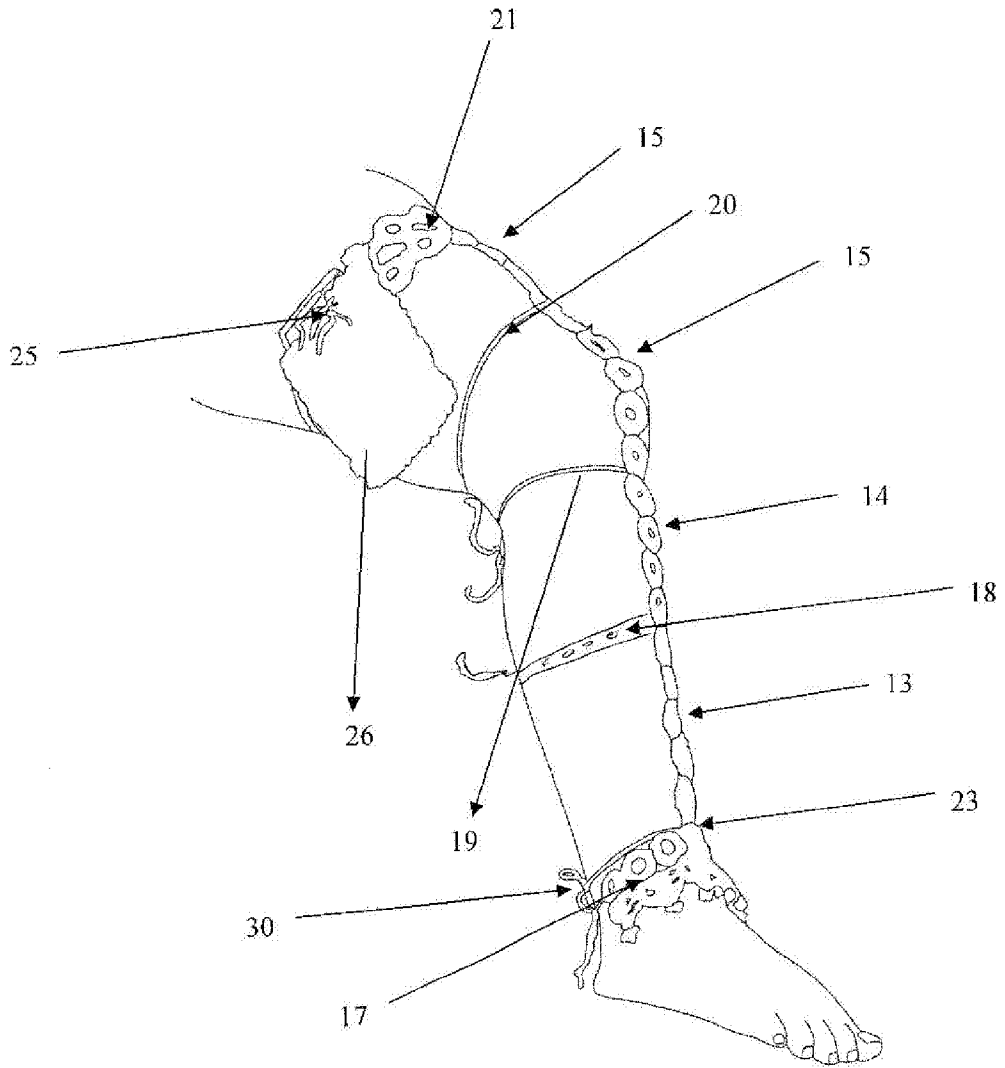


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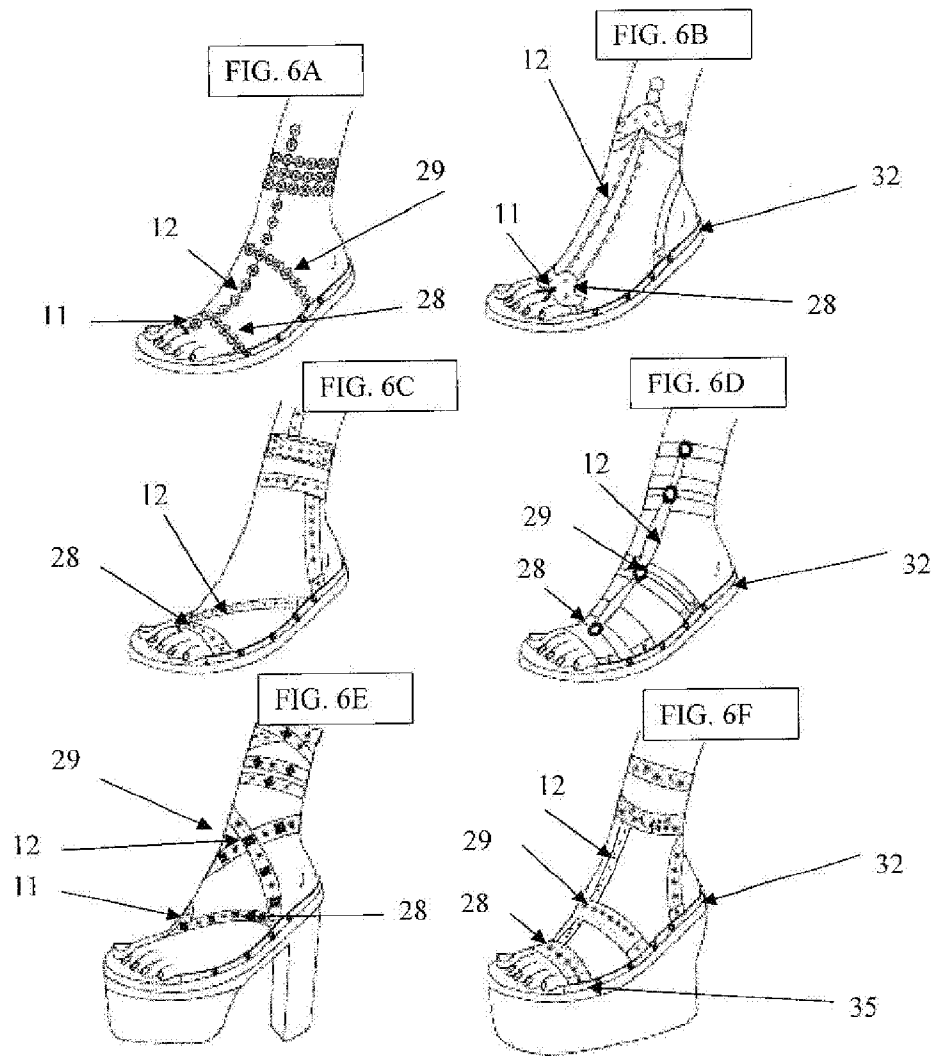


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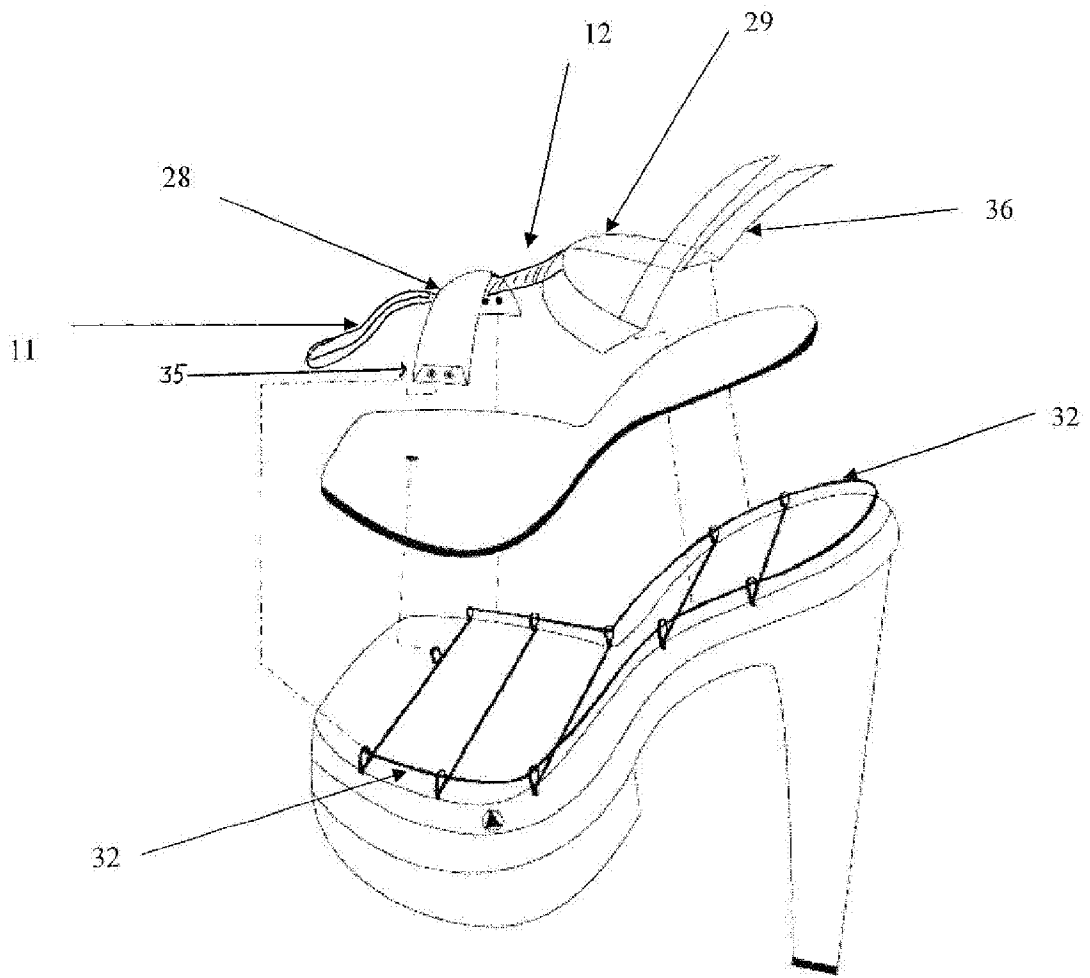


FIGURE 7