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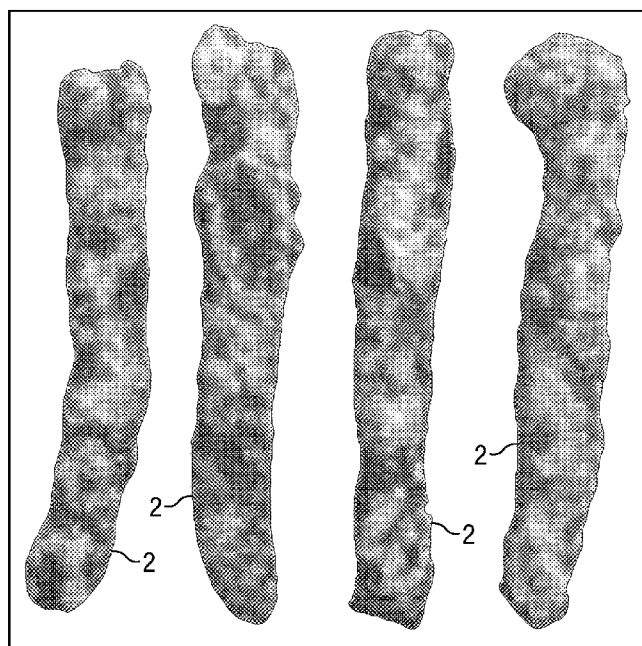


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: Nutritious granular materials of fine
particle sizes agglomerated within versatile micropel-
lets are useful for inserting significant amounts of nu-
tritious properties into snack foods. Expandable micro-
pellet-containing formulations provide for introduction
of fine particle ingredients such as proteins, minerals
and other components or desirable nutrients into food
processing lines not typically amenable to the fine
particle sizes. Micropellet-containing formulations may
consist entirely of micropellets, or may contain an ex-
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