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(54) **TOE JOINT REPLACEMENT MODELS**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

In various embodiments, provided are implantable devices for replacing all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint, comprising (i) a metatarsal component comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; or (ii) a phalanx component comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; or (iii) both. In various embodiments, also provided are methods of treating hallux valgus by replacing all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint with one or more of the provided implantable devices.

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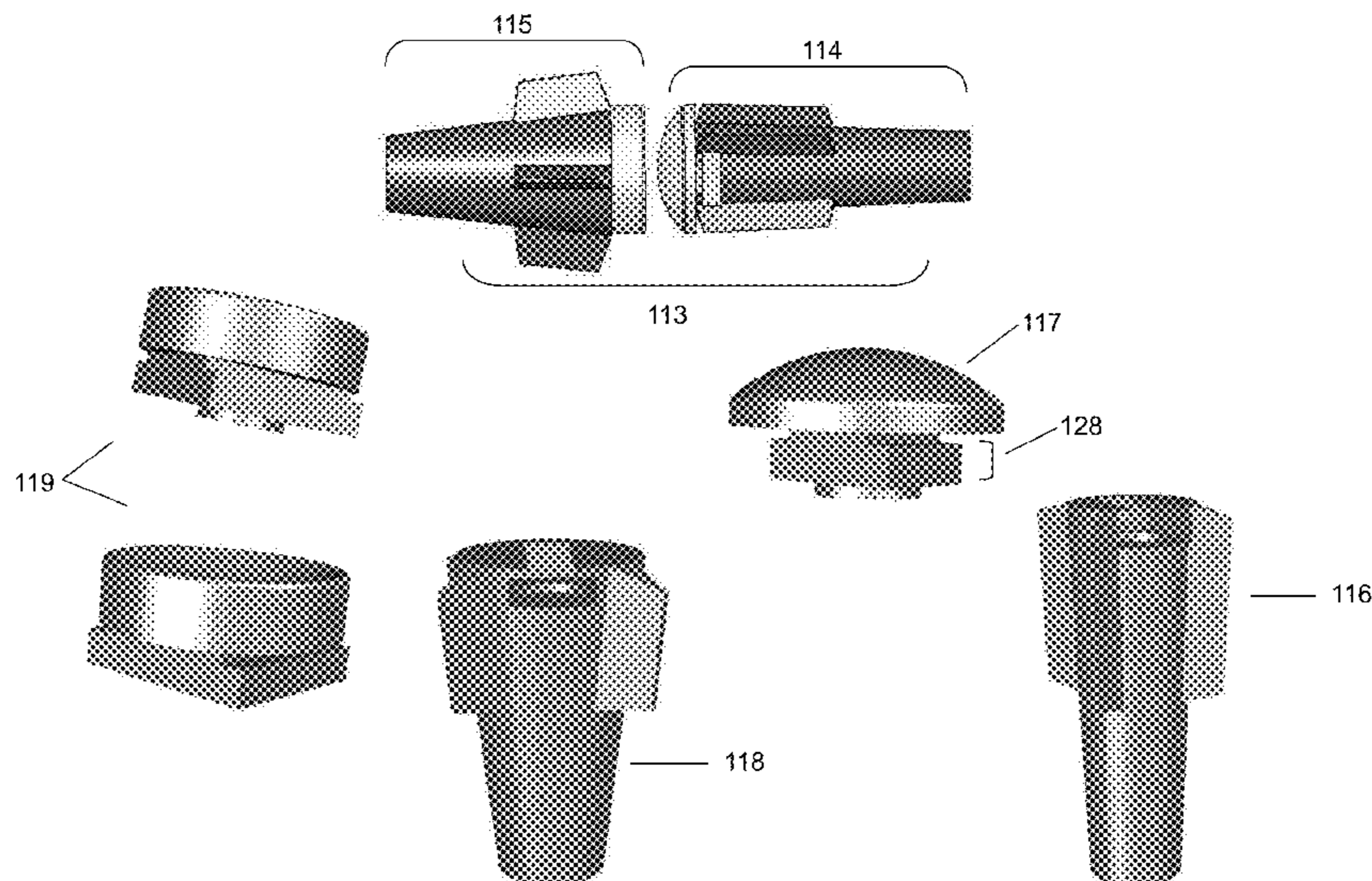




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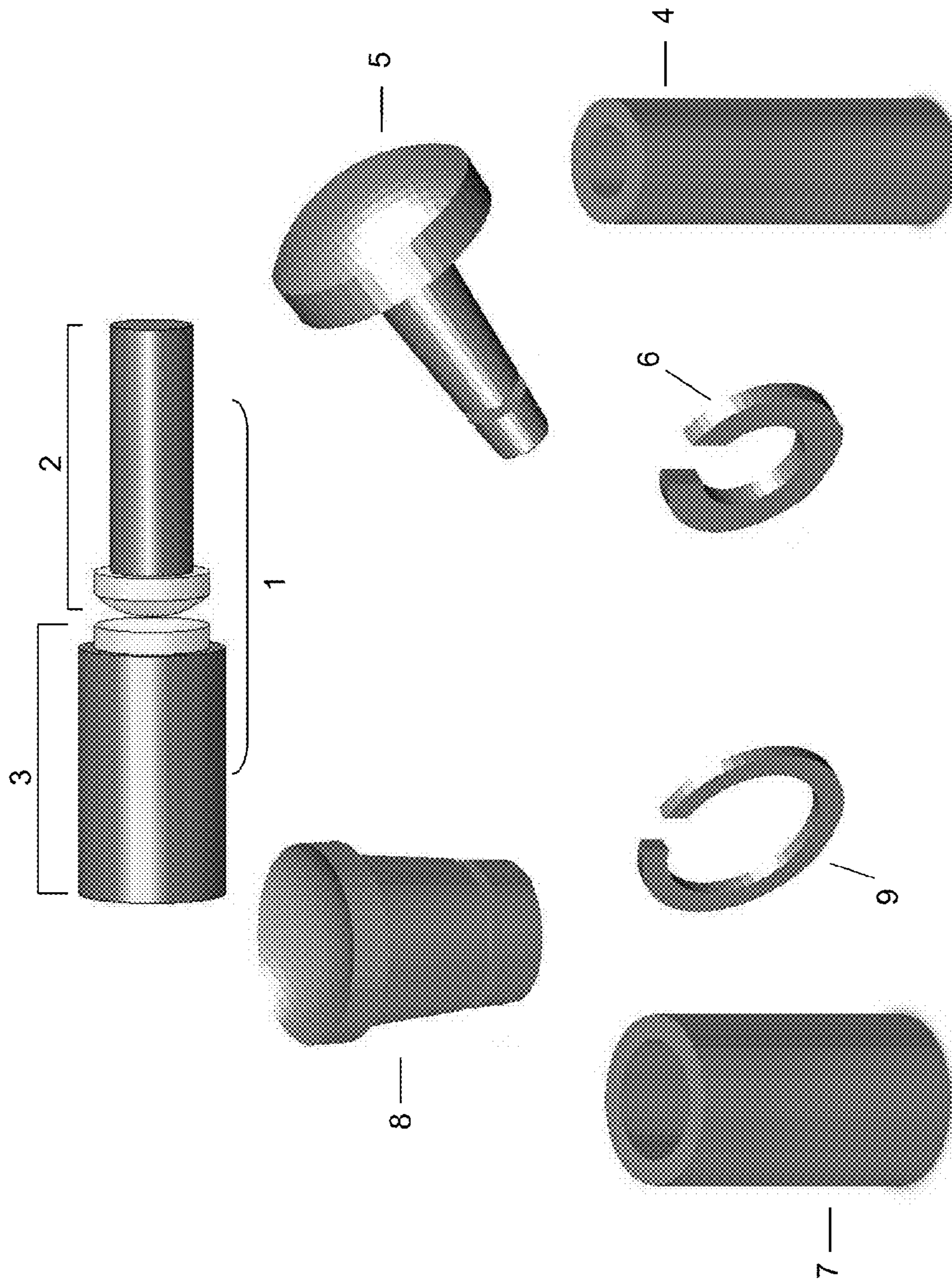


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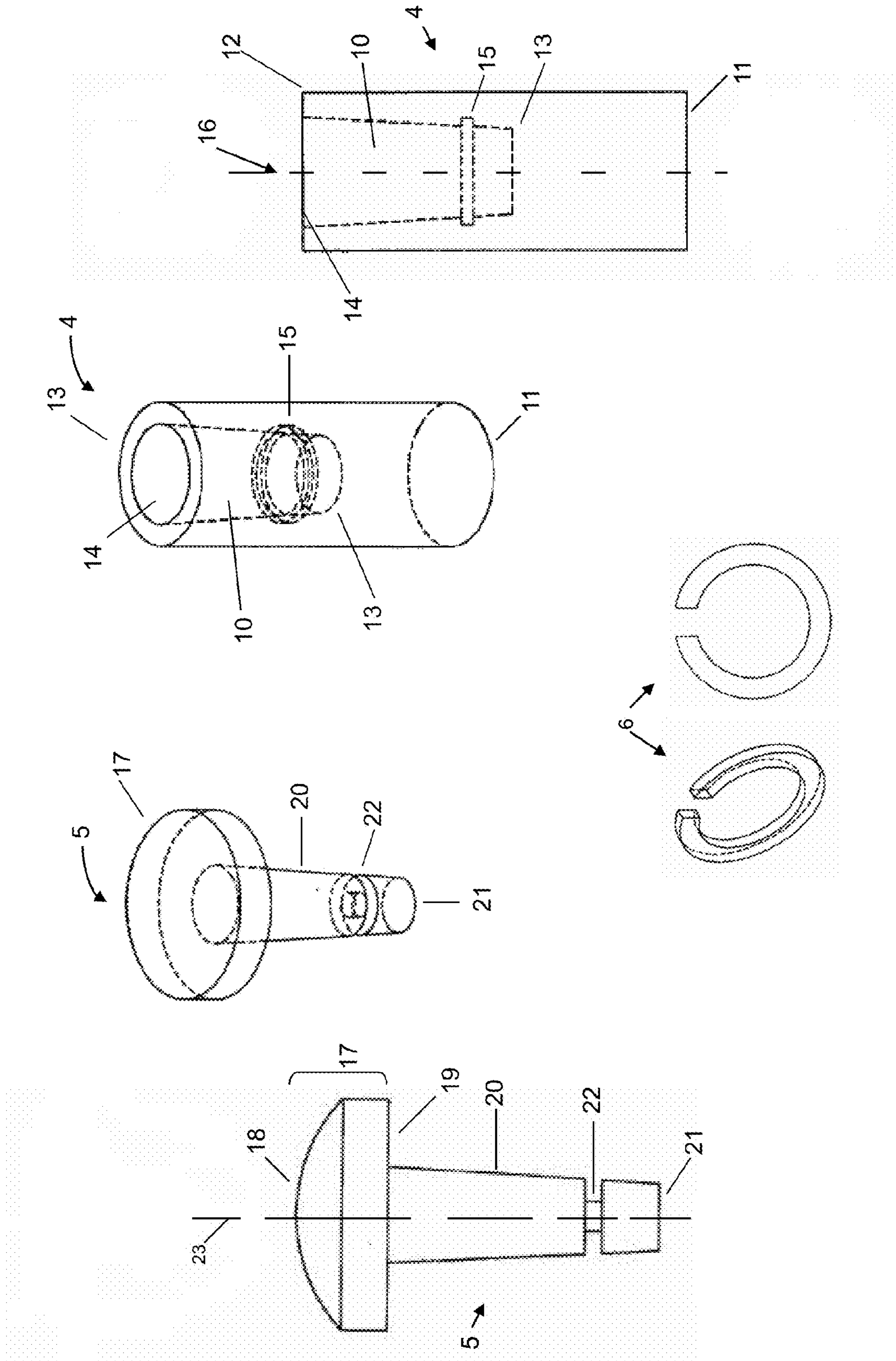


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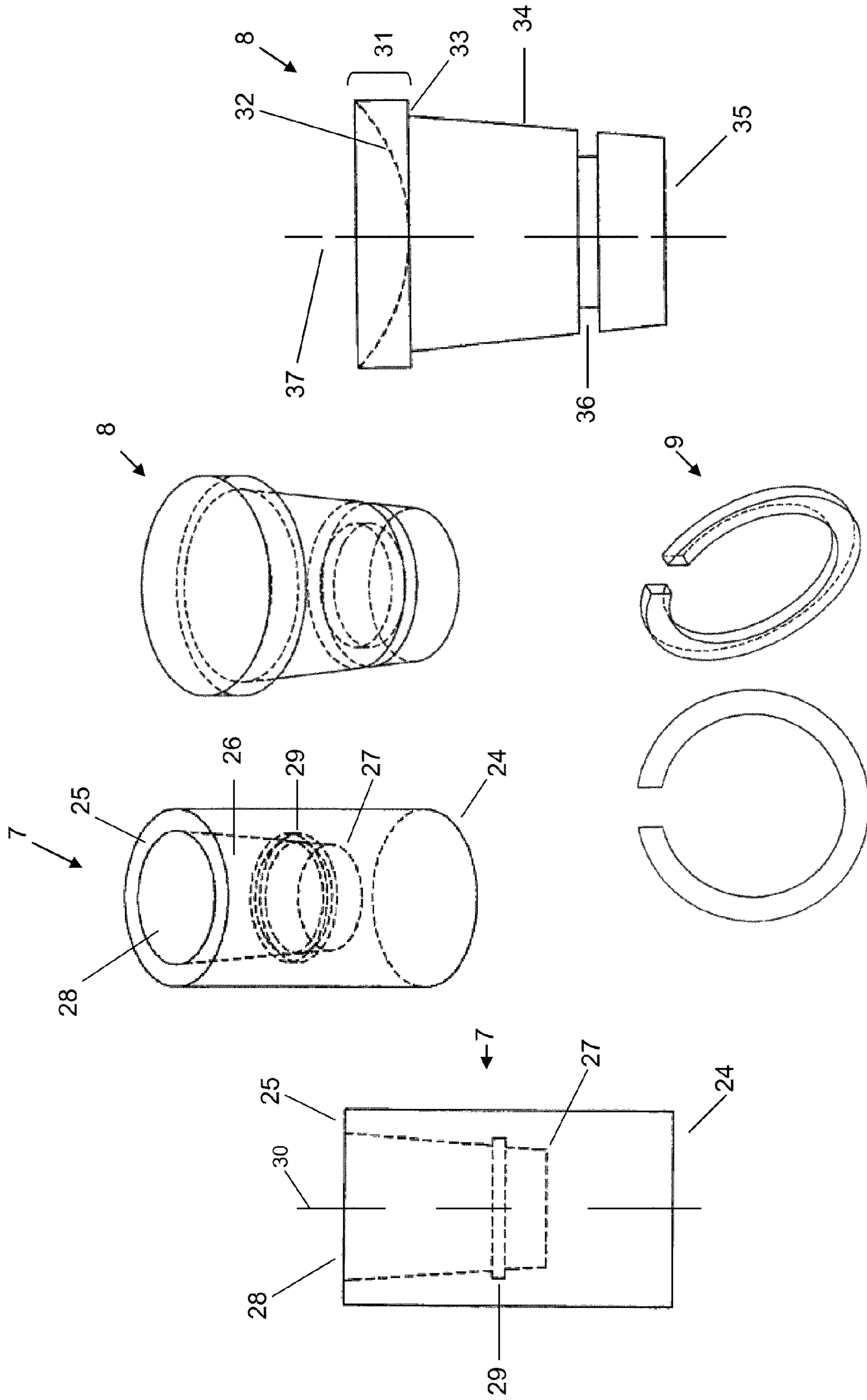


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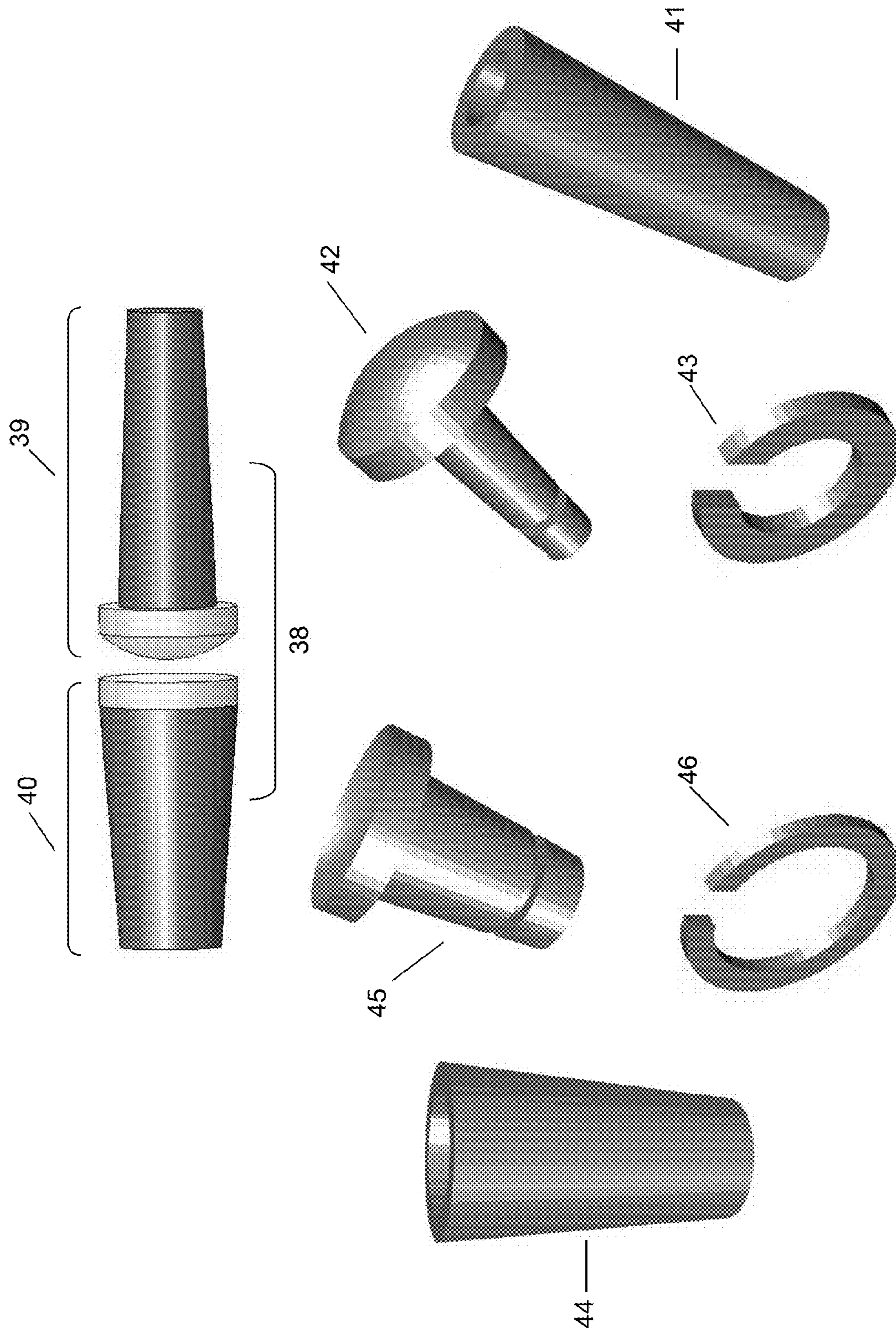


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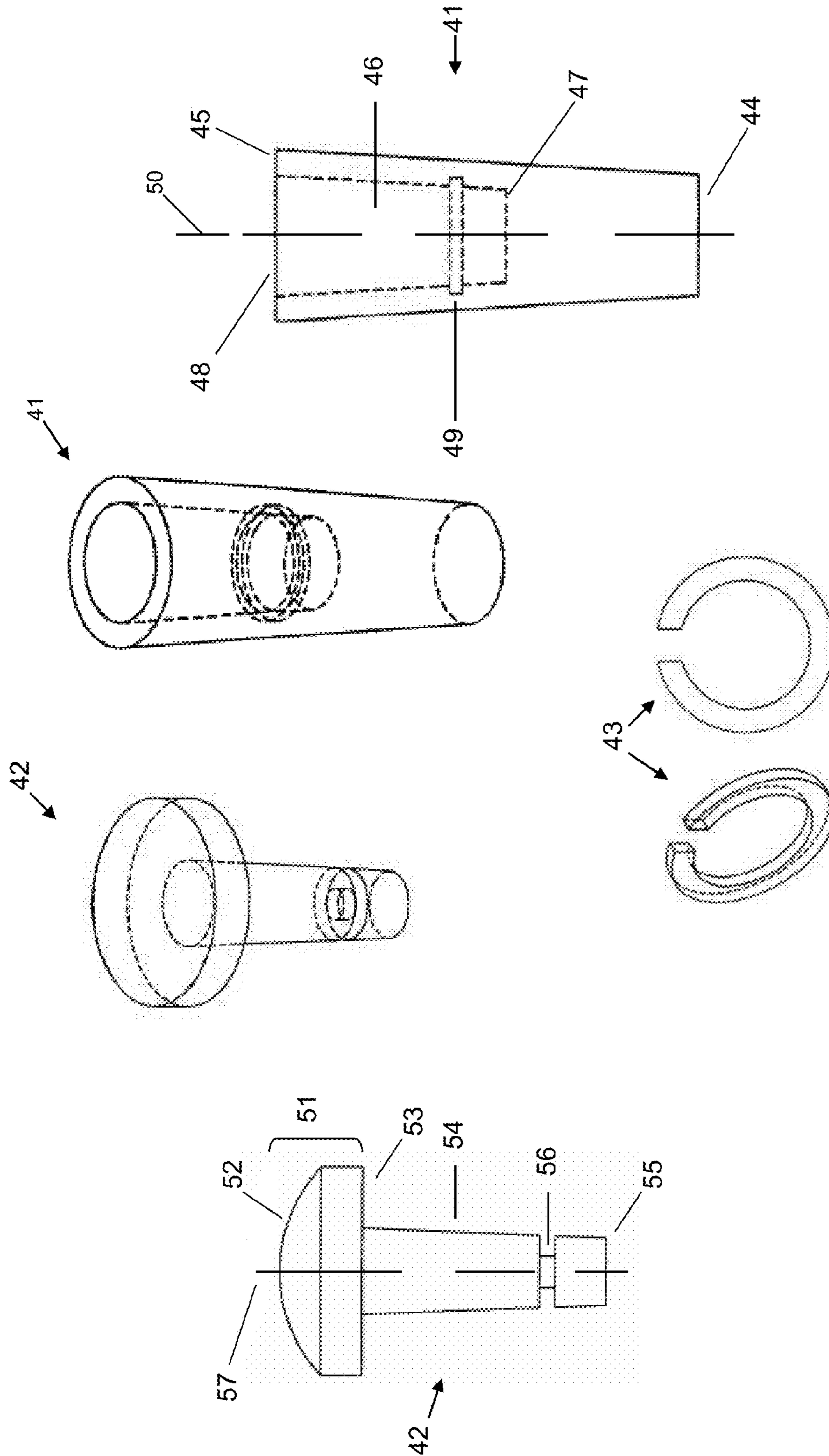


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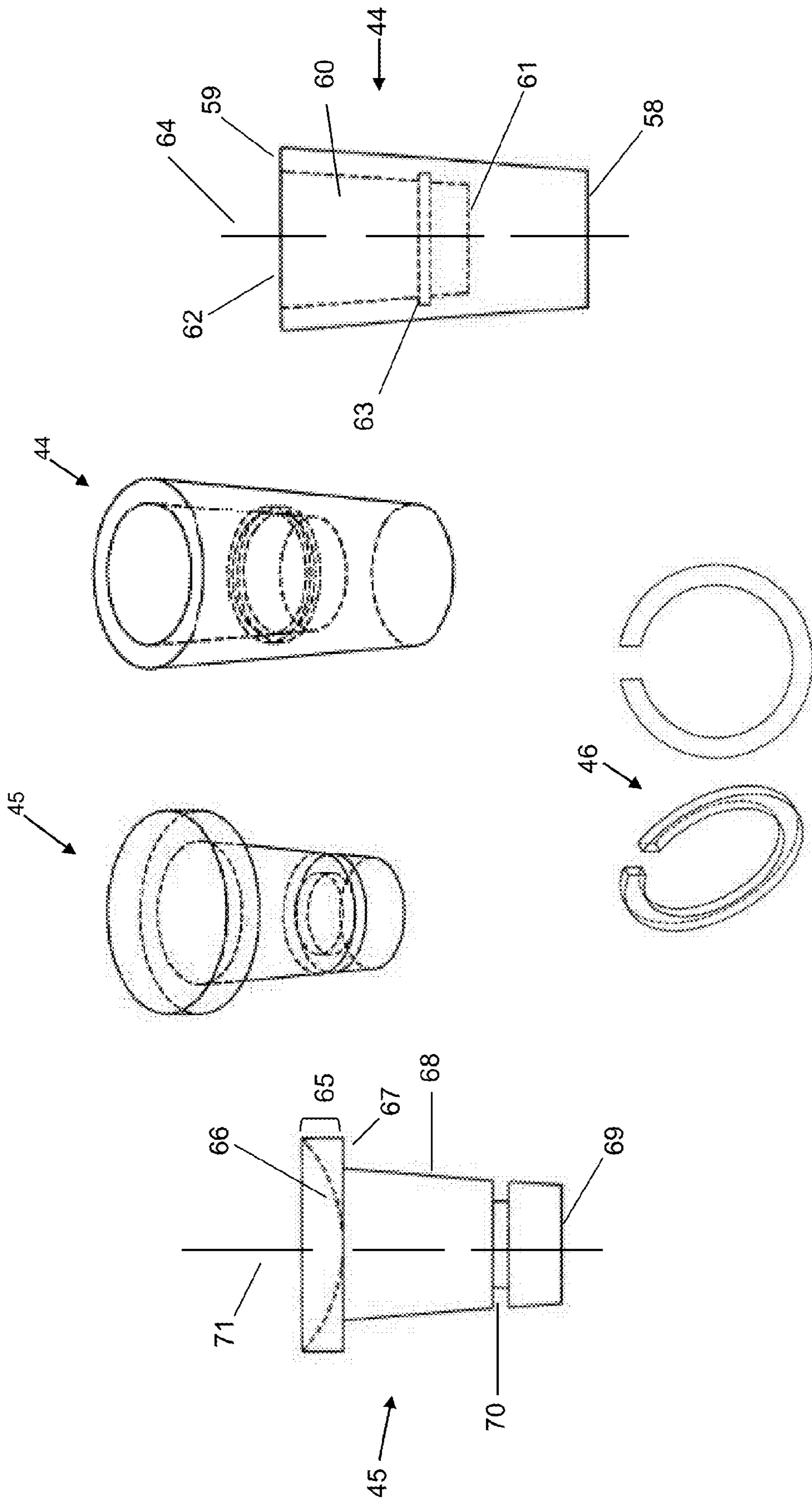


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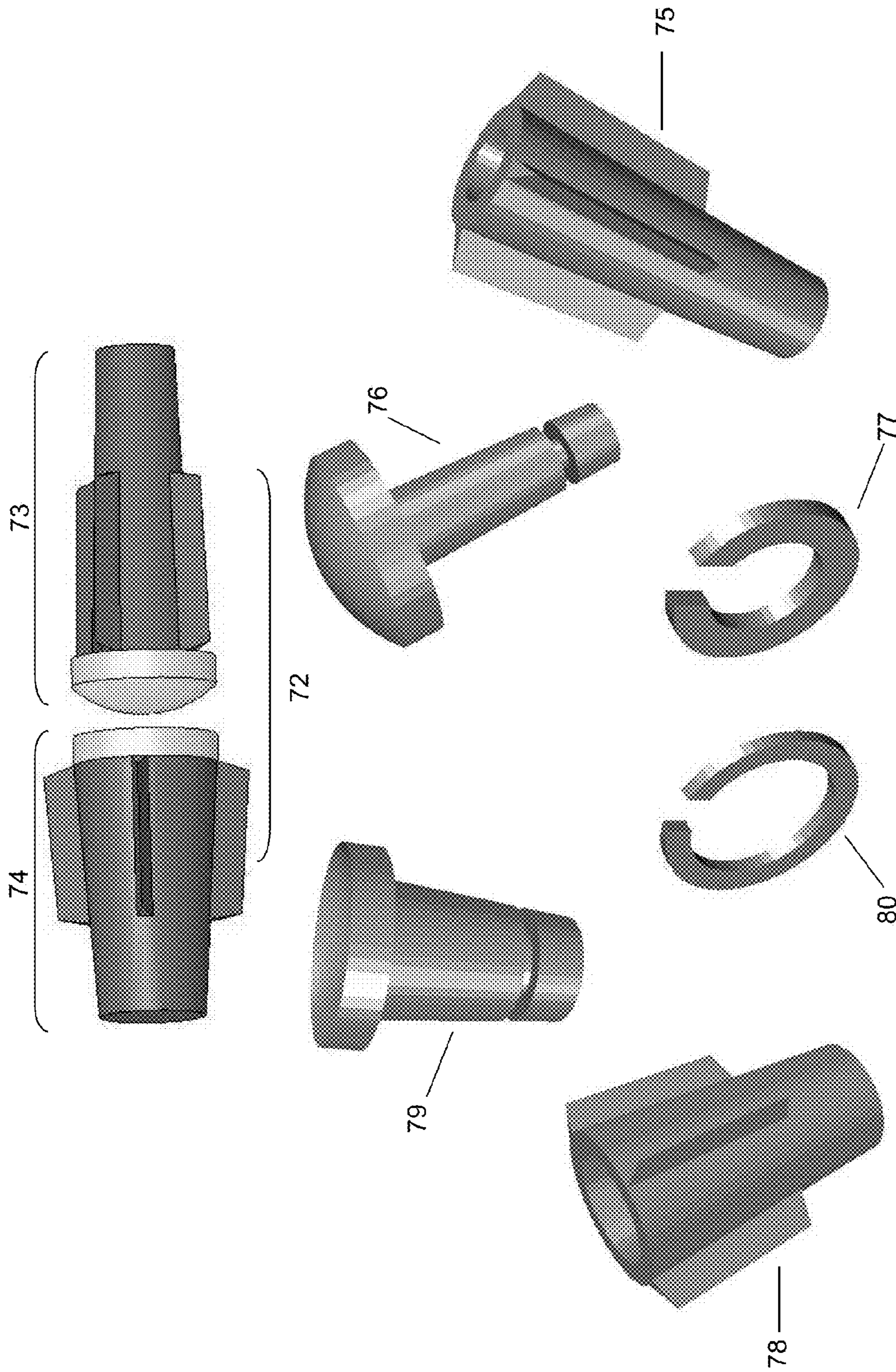


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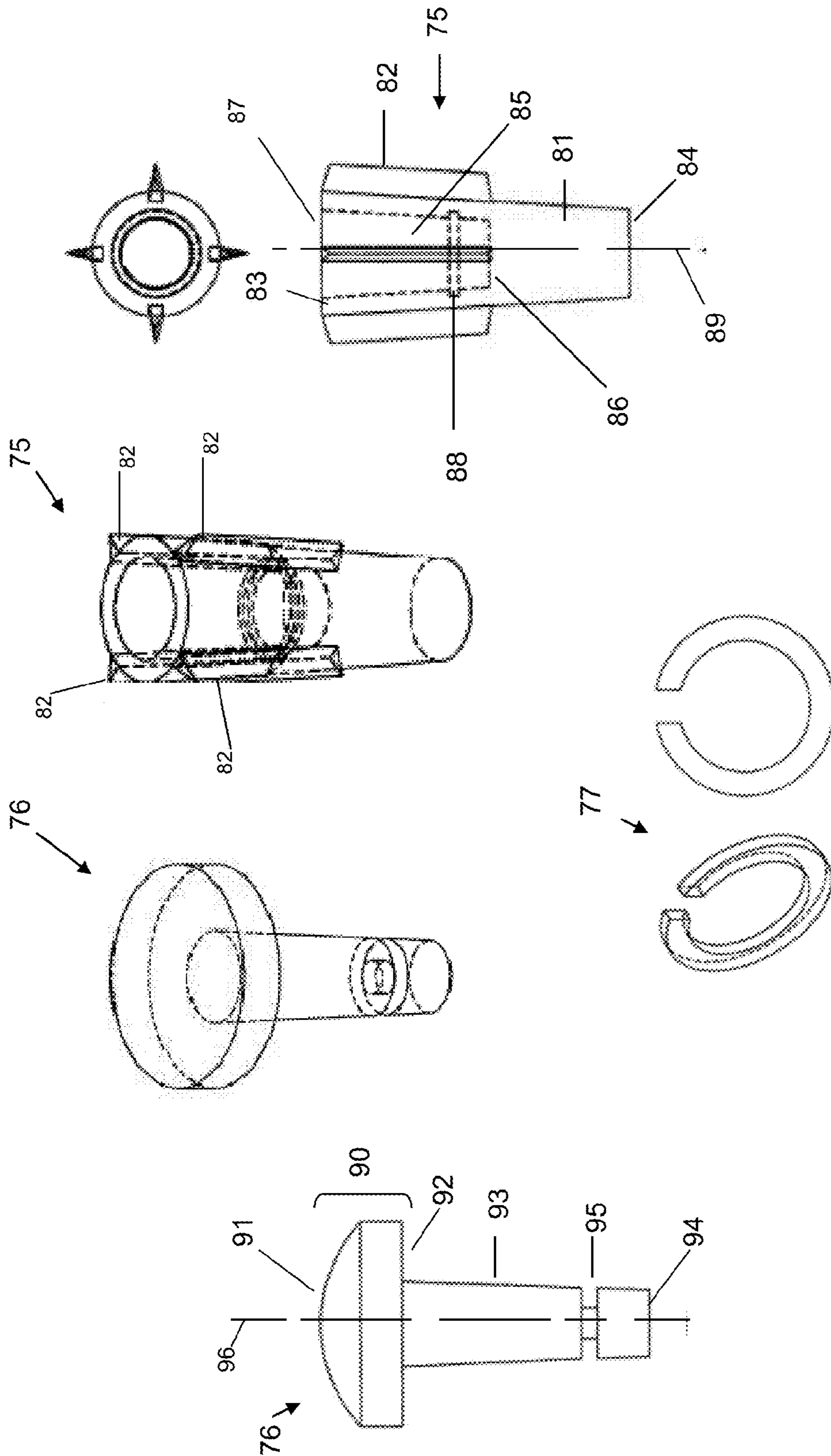


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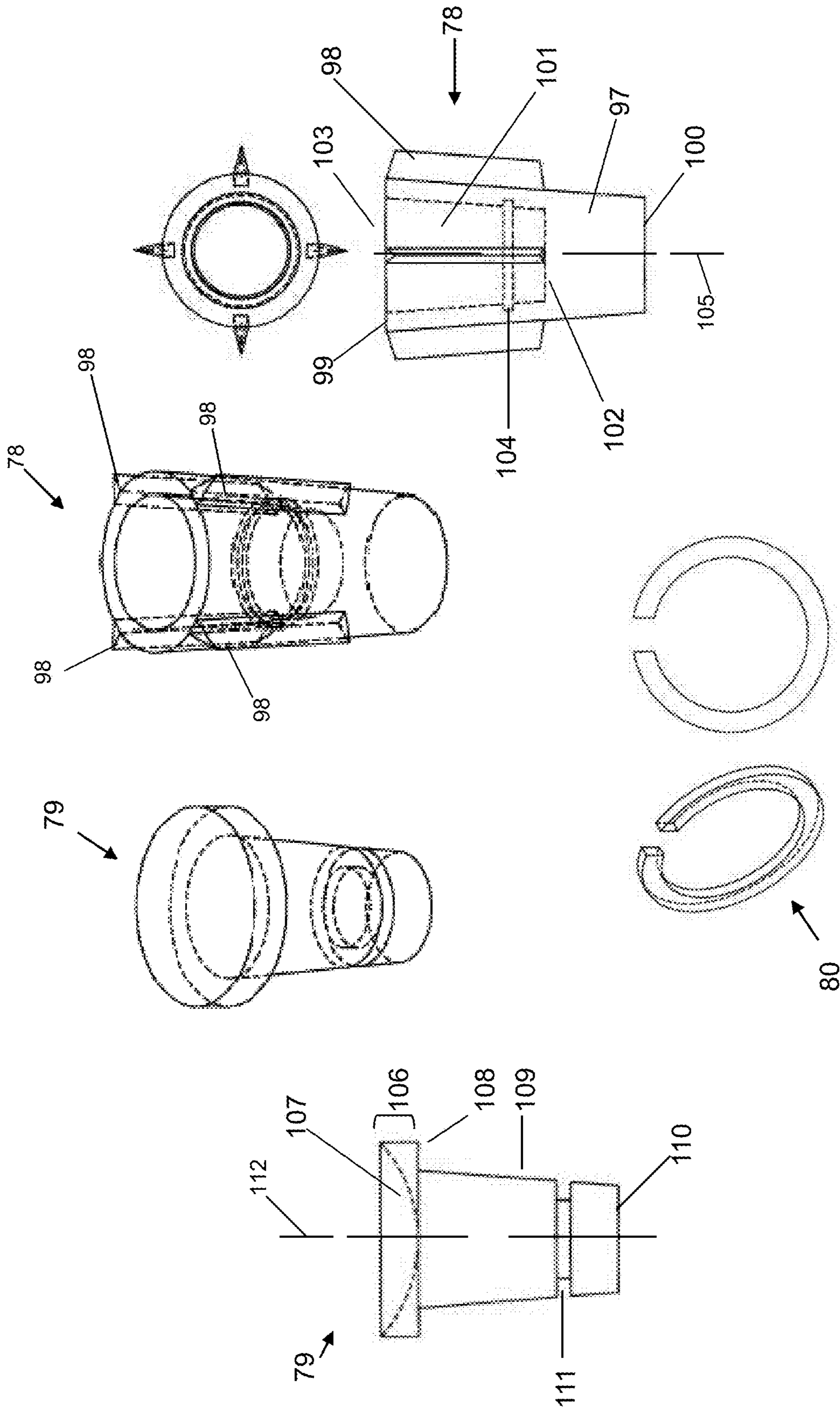


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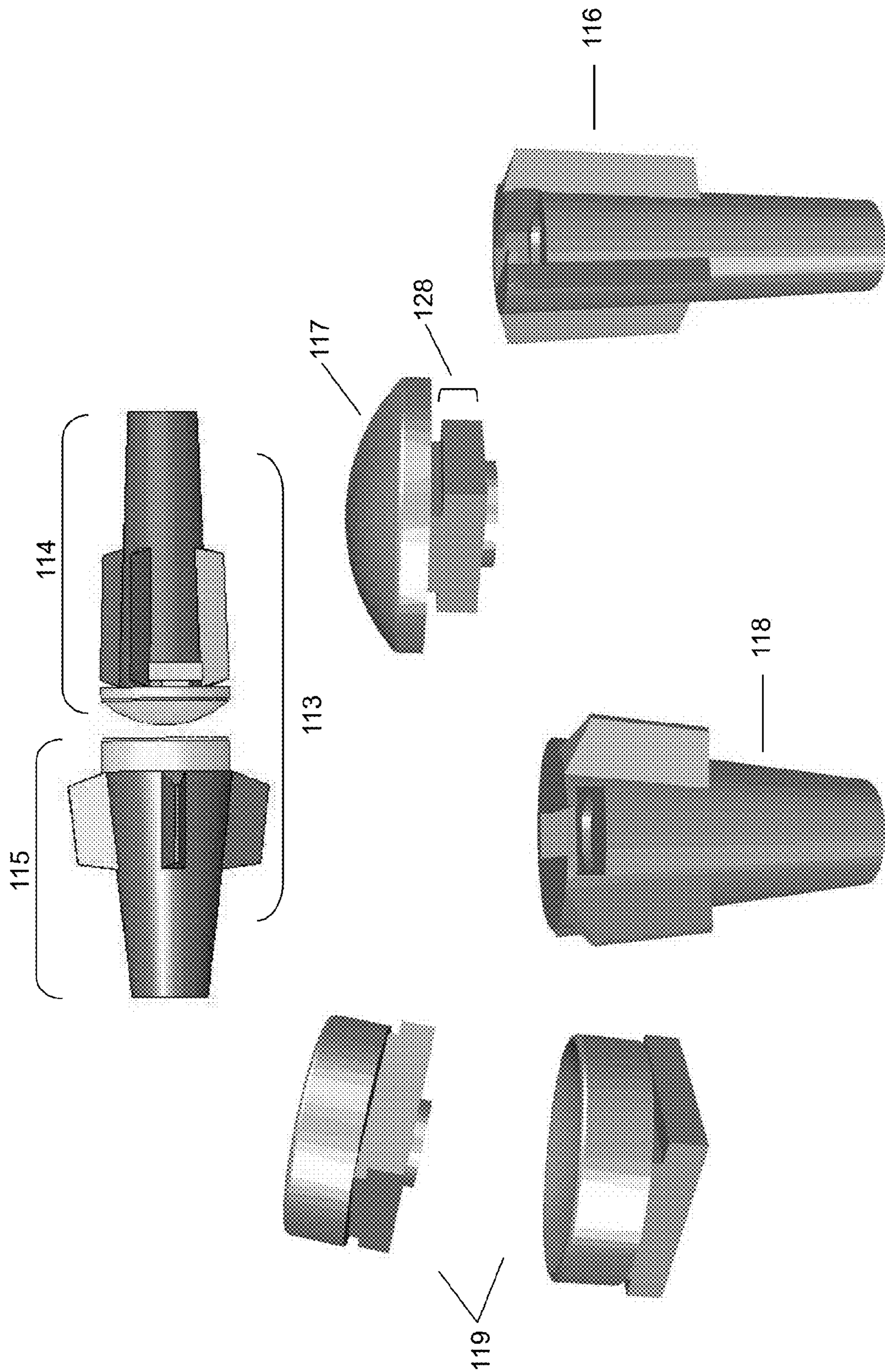


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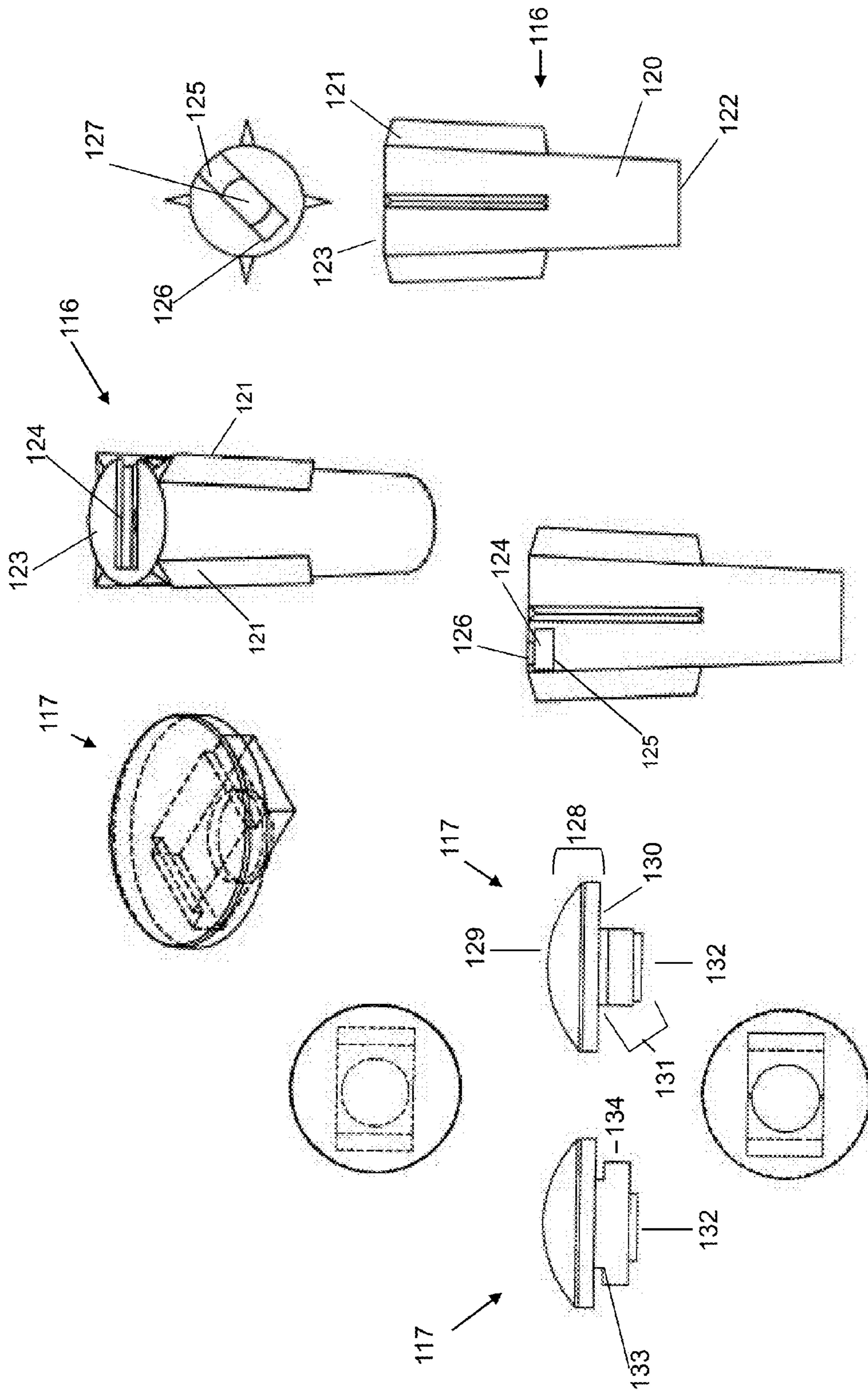


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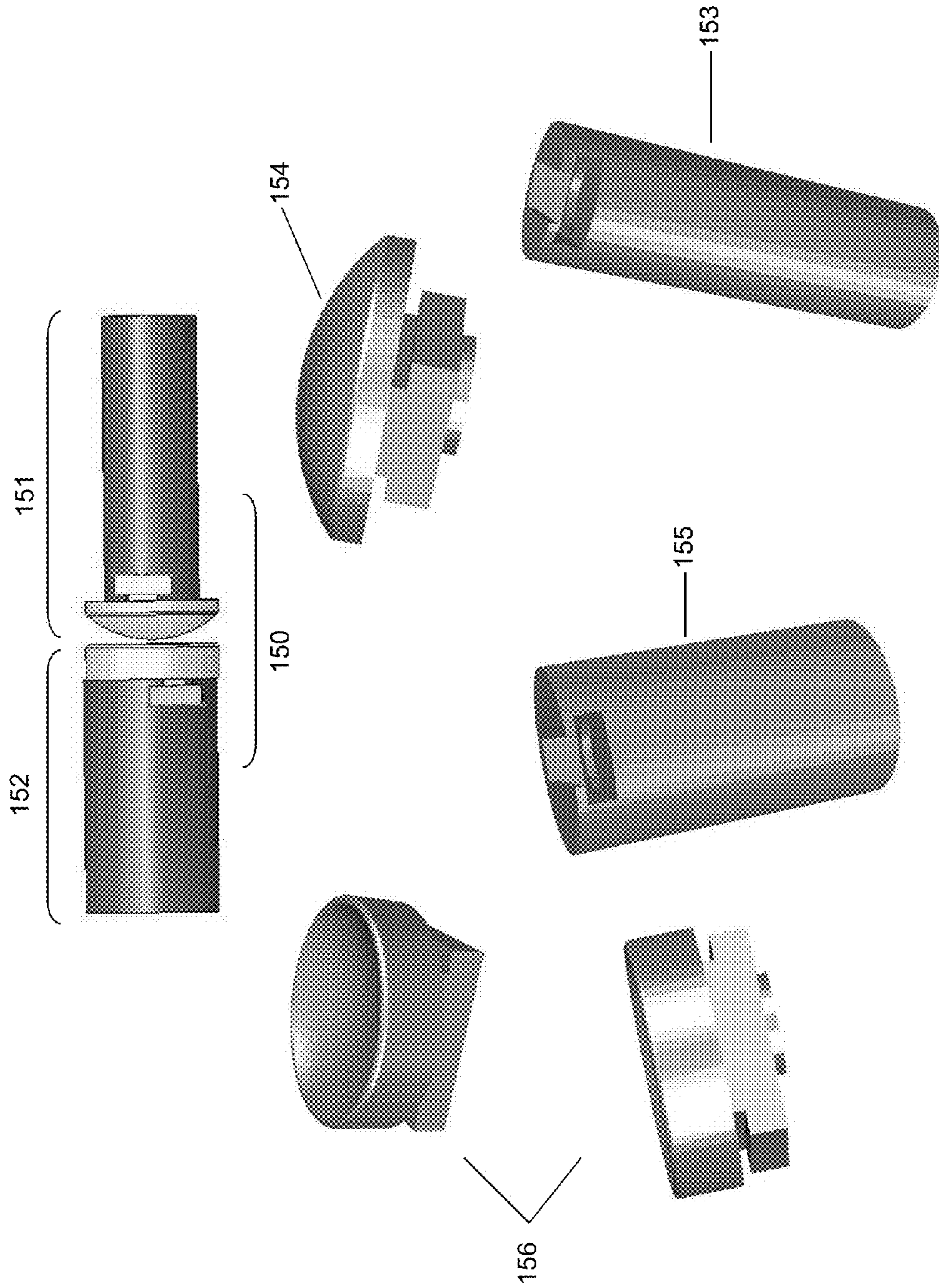


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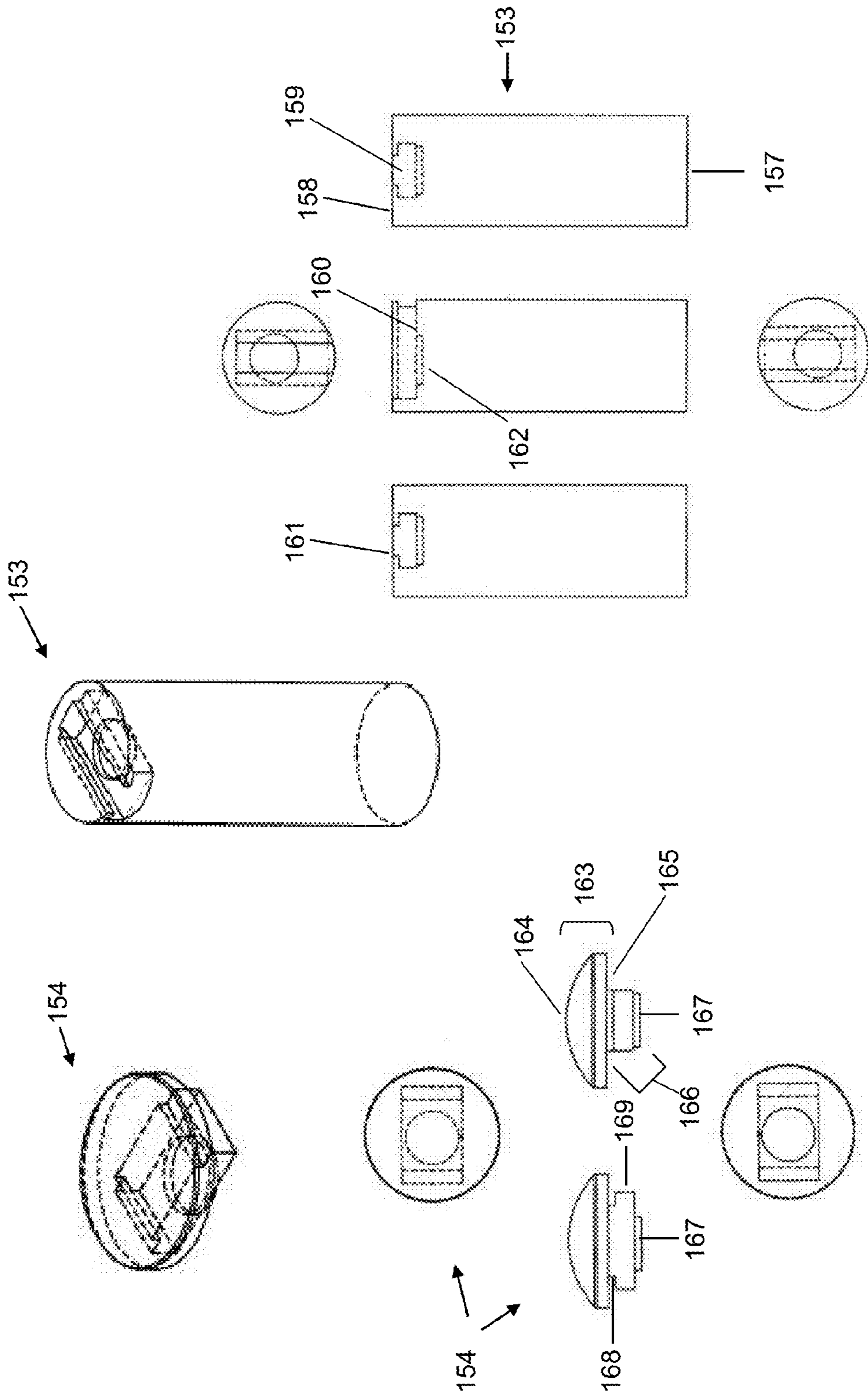


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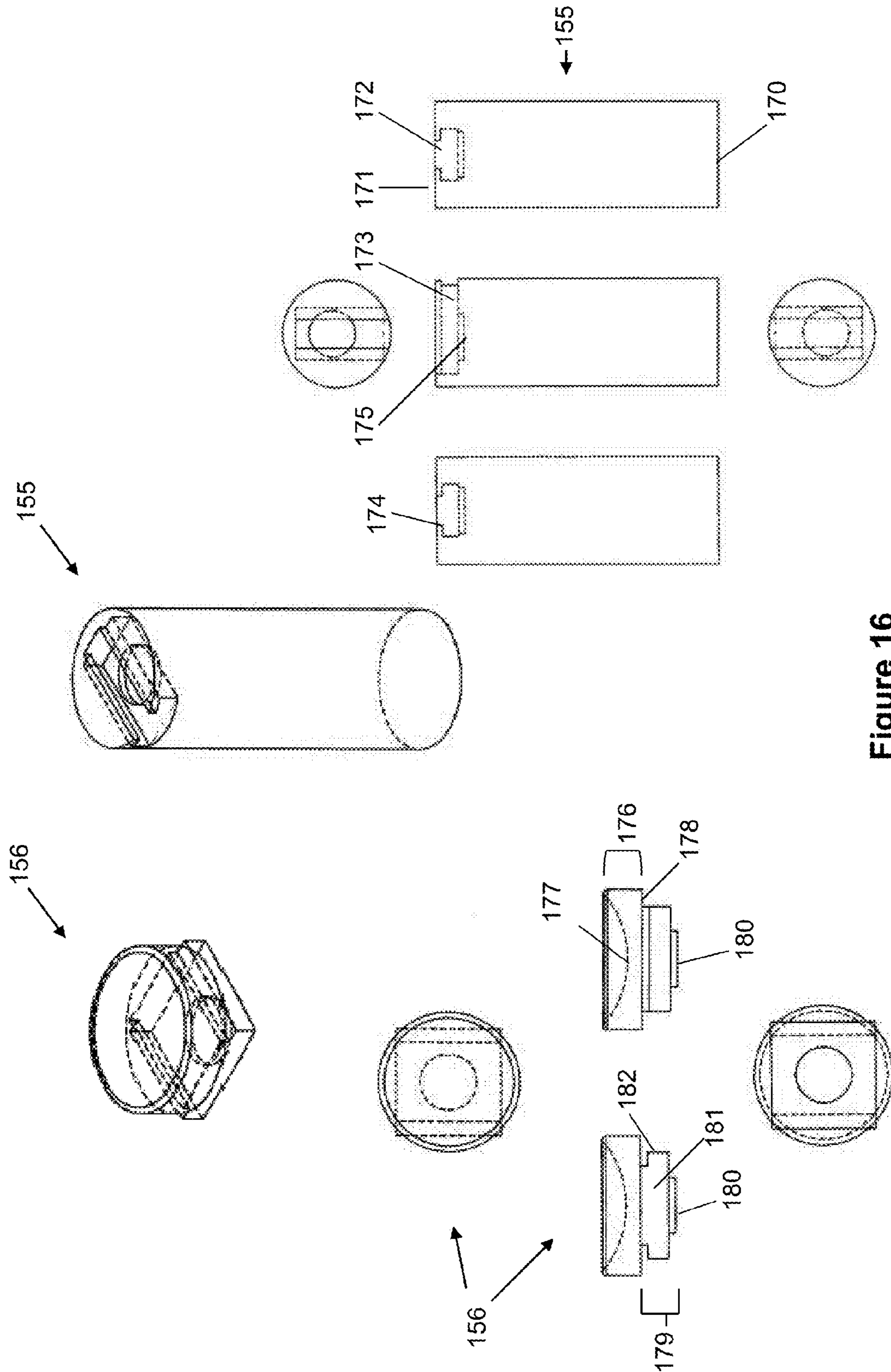


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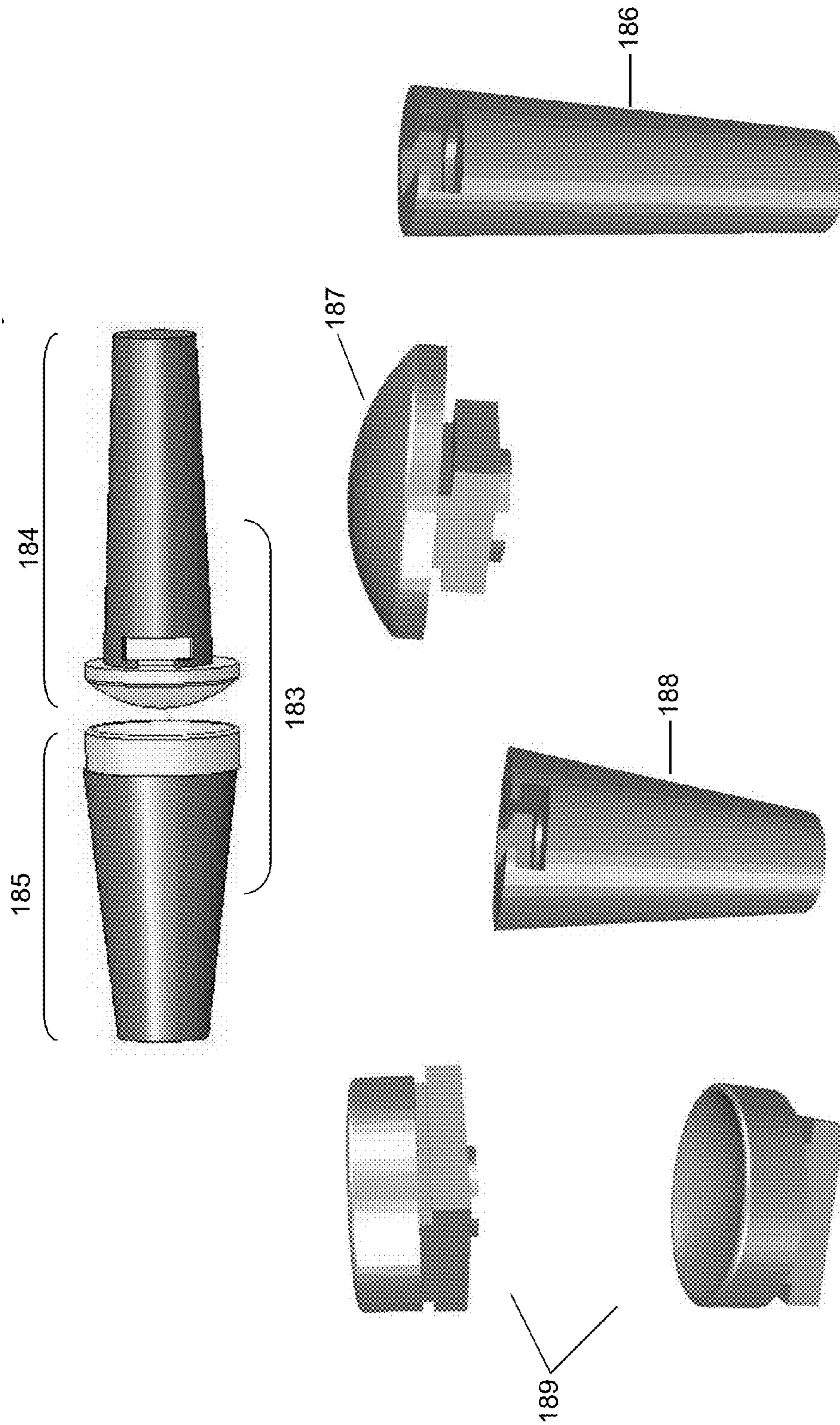


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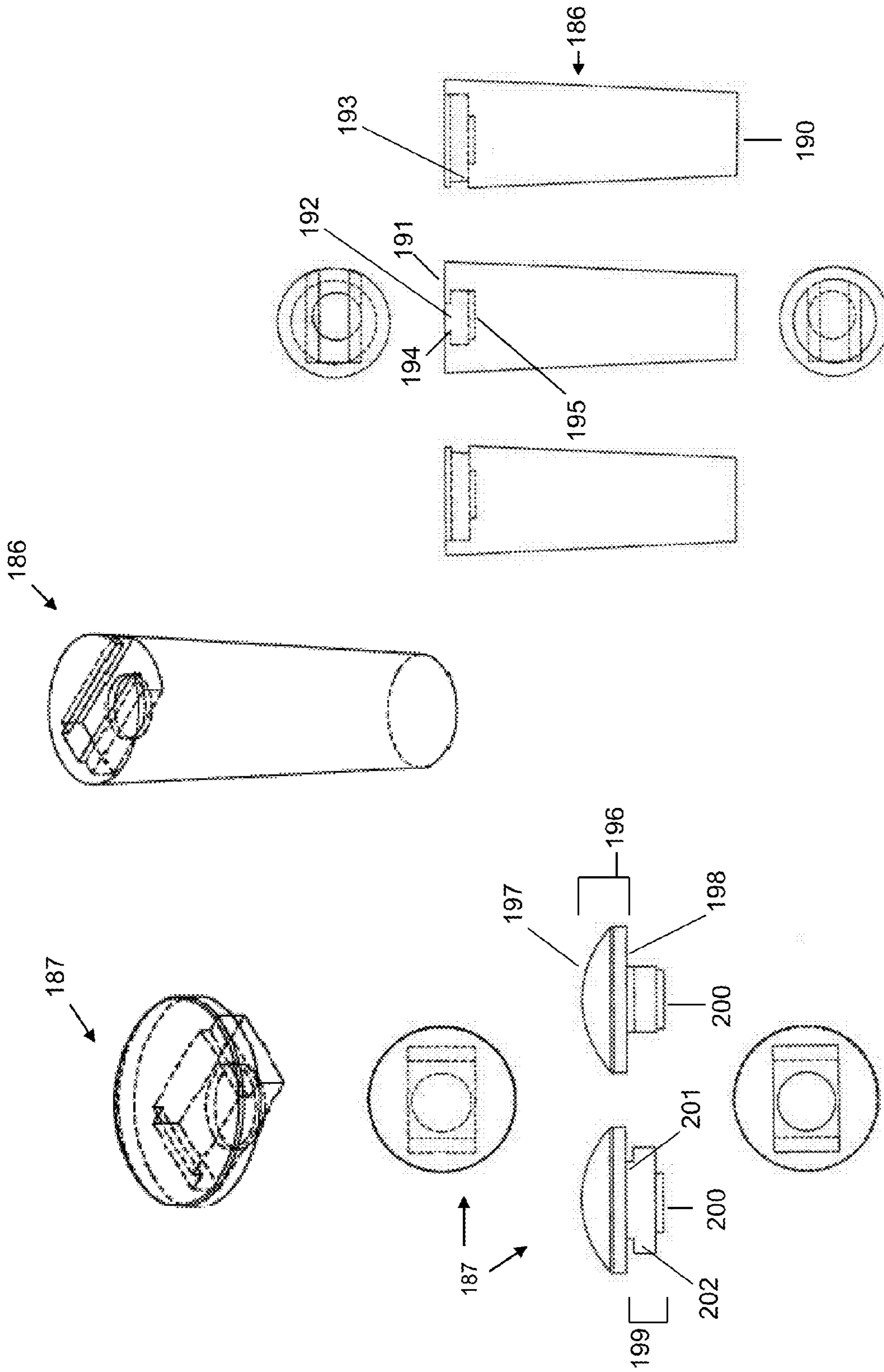


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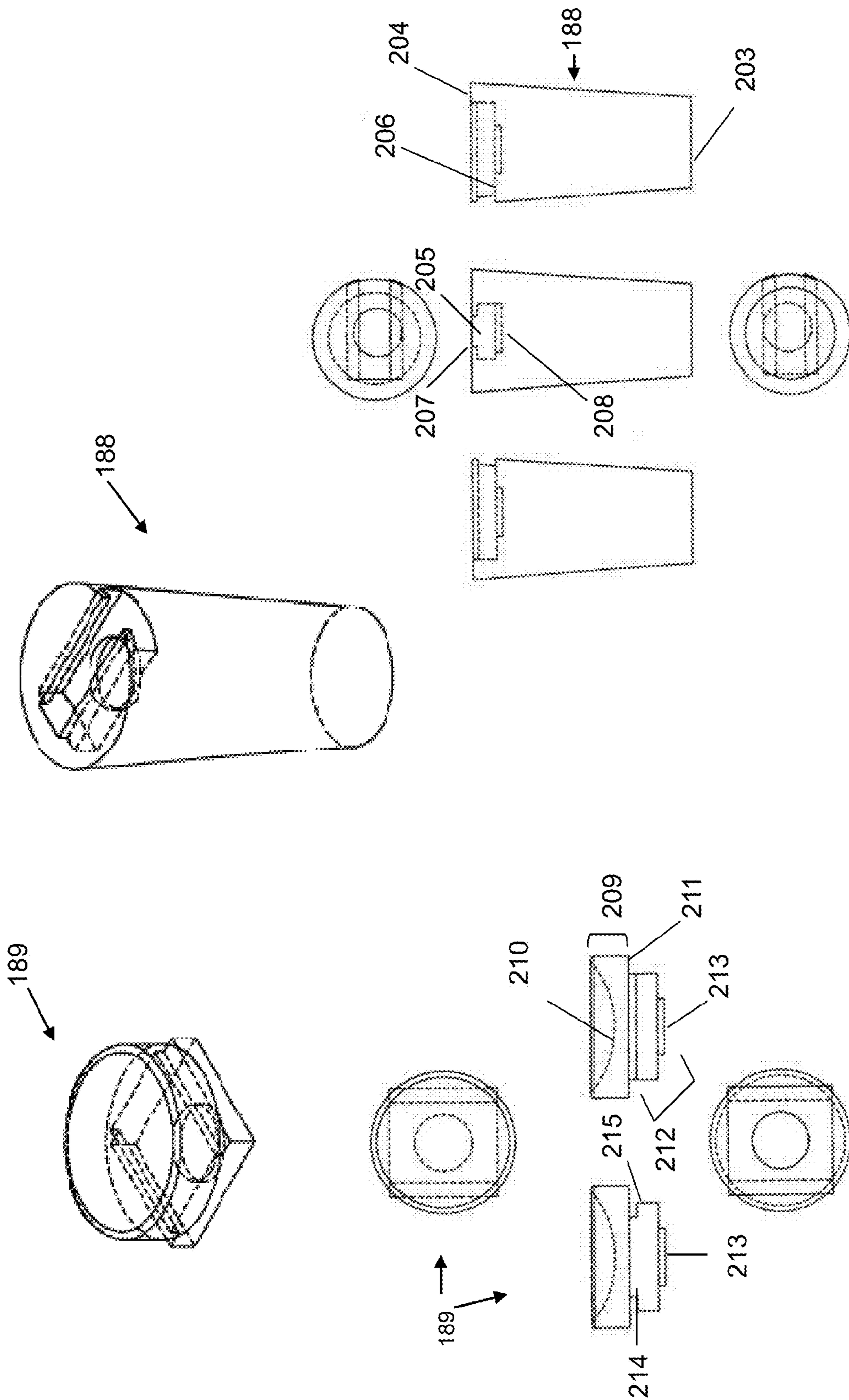


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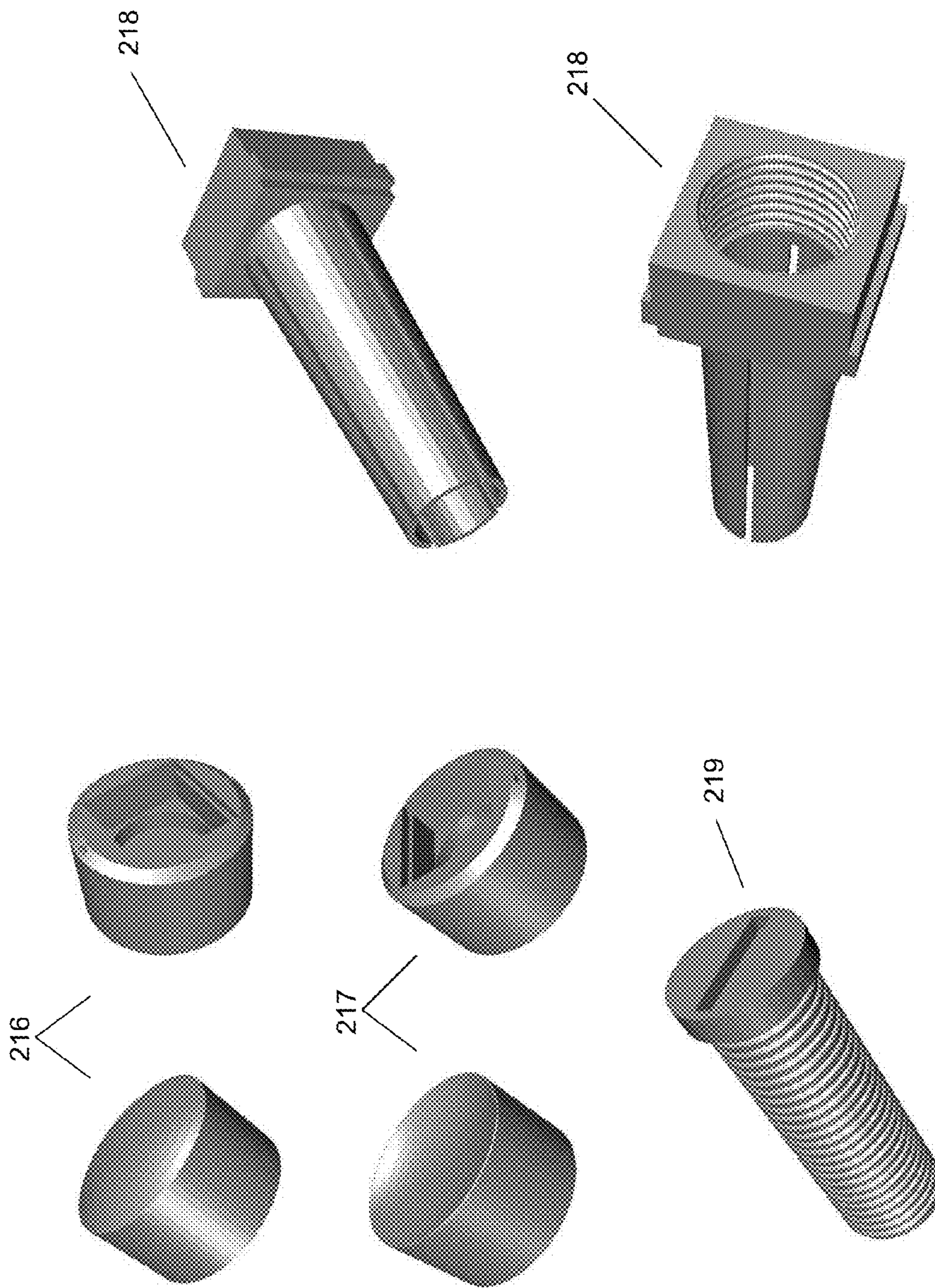


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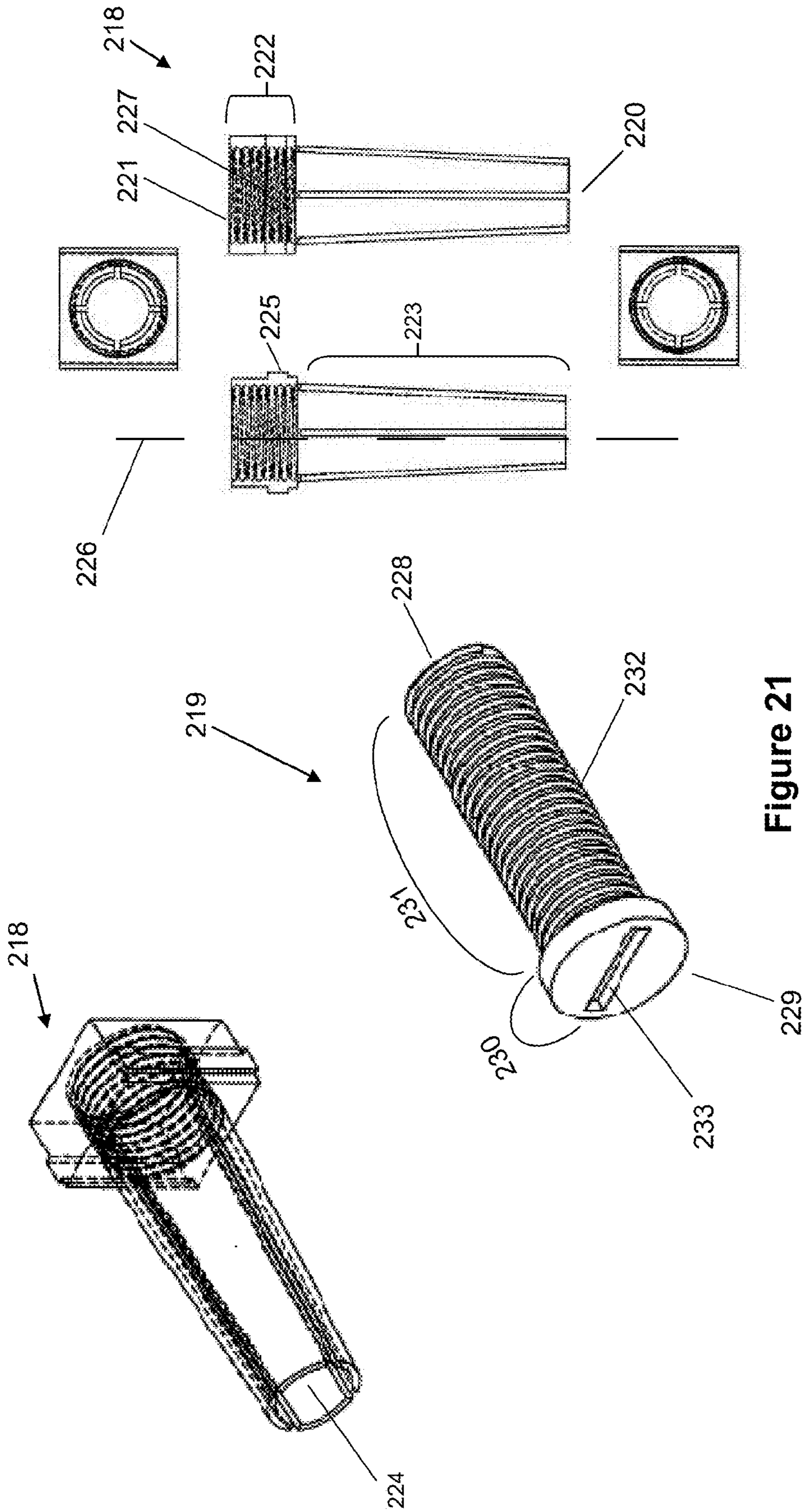


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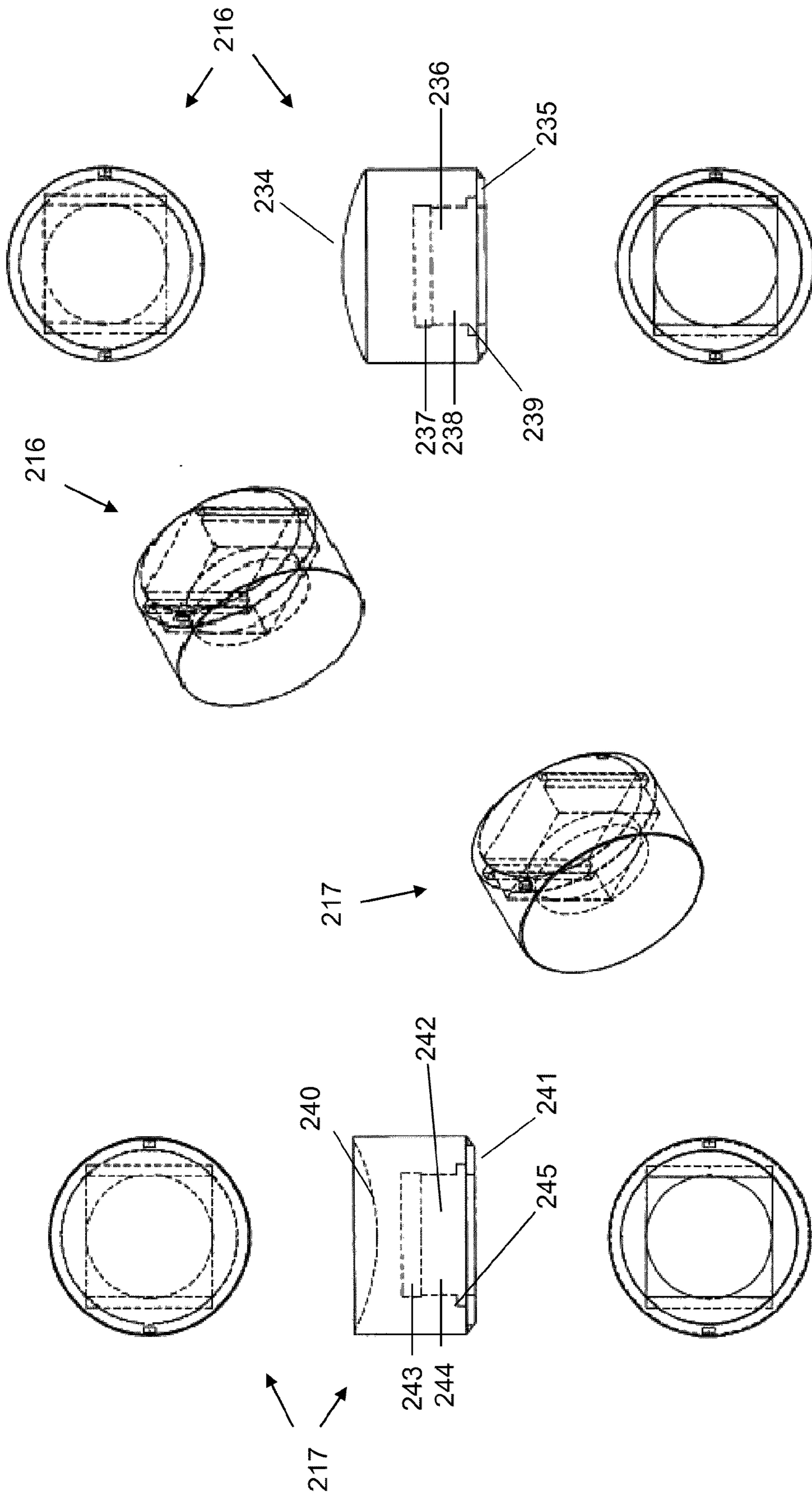


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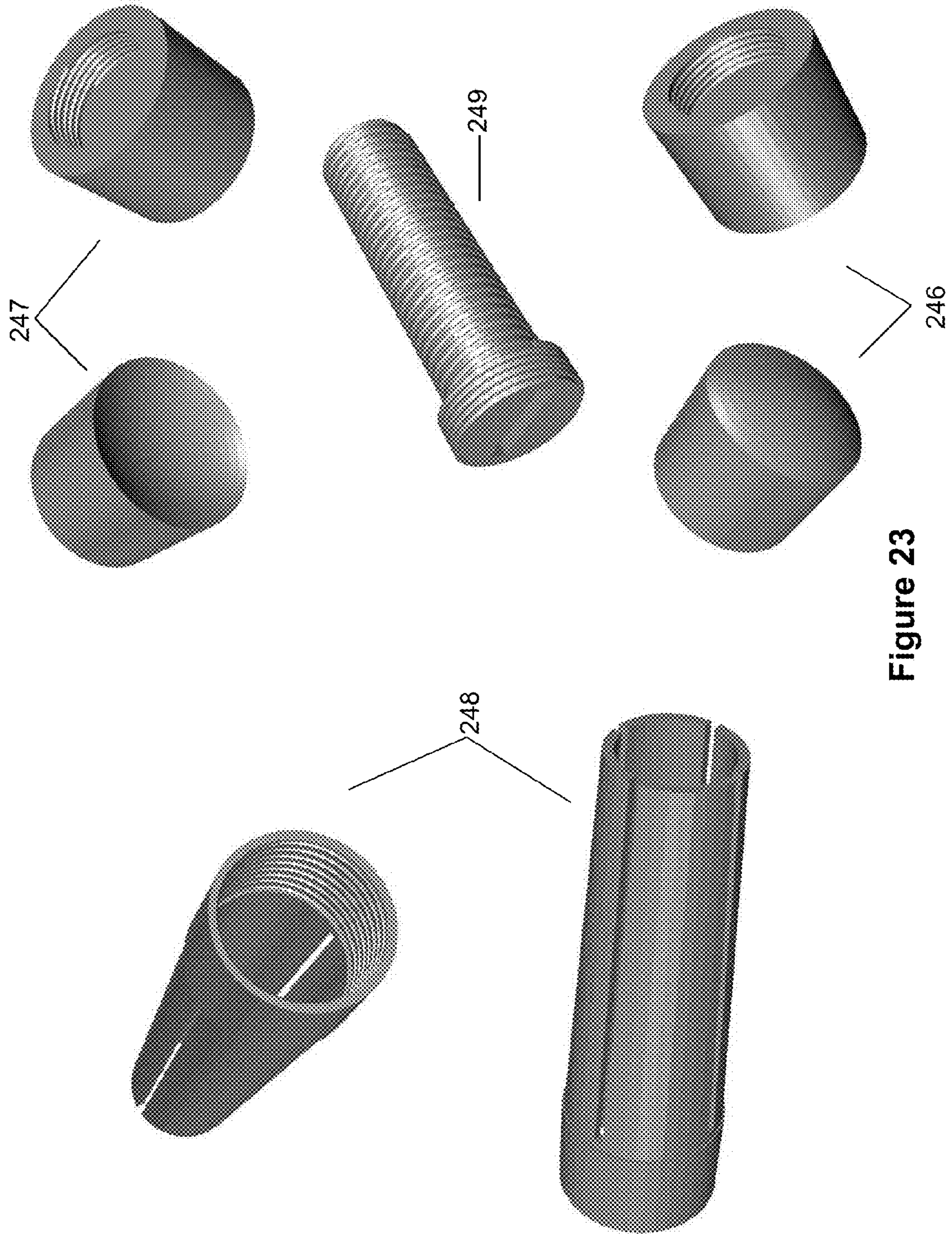


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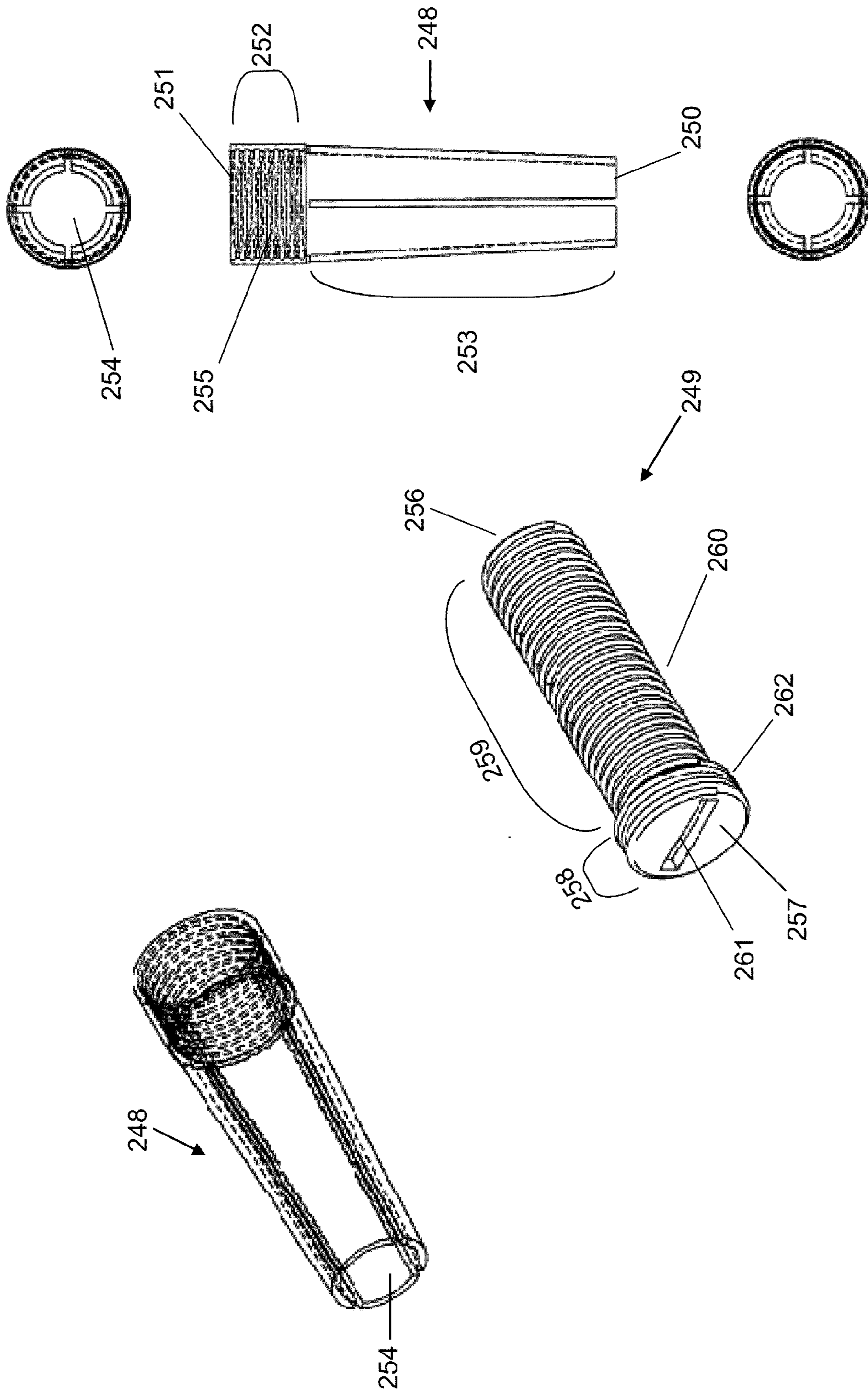


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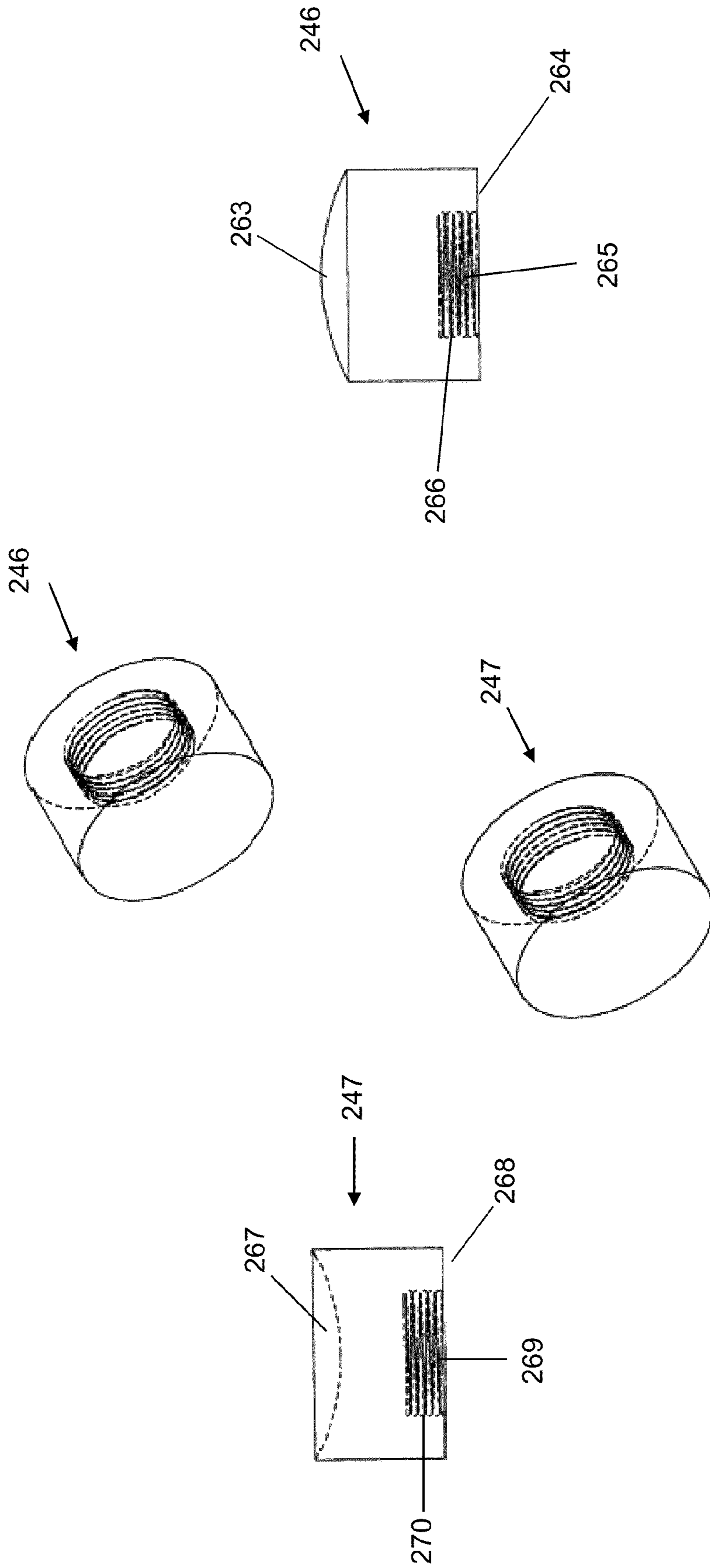


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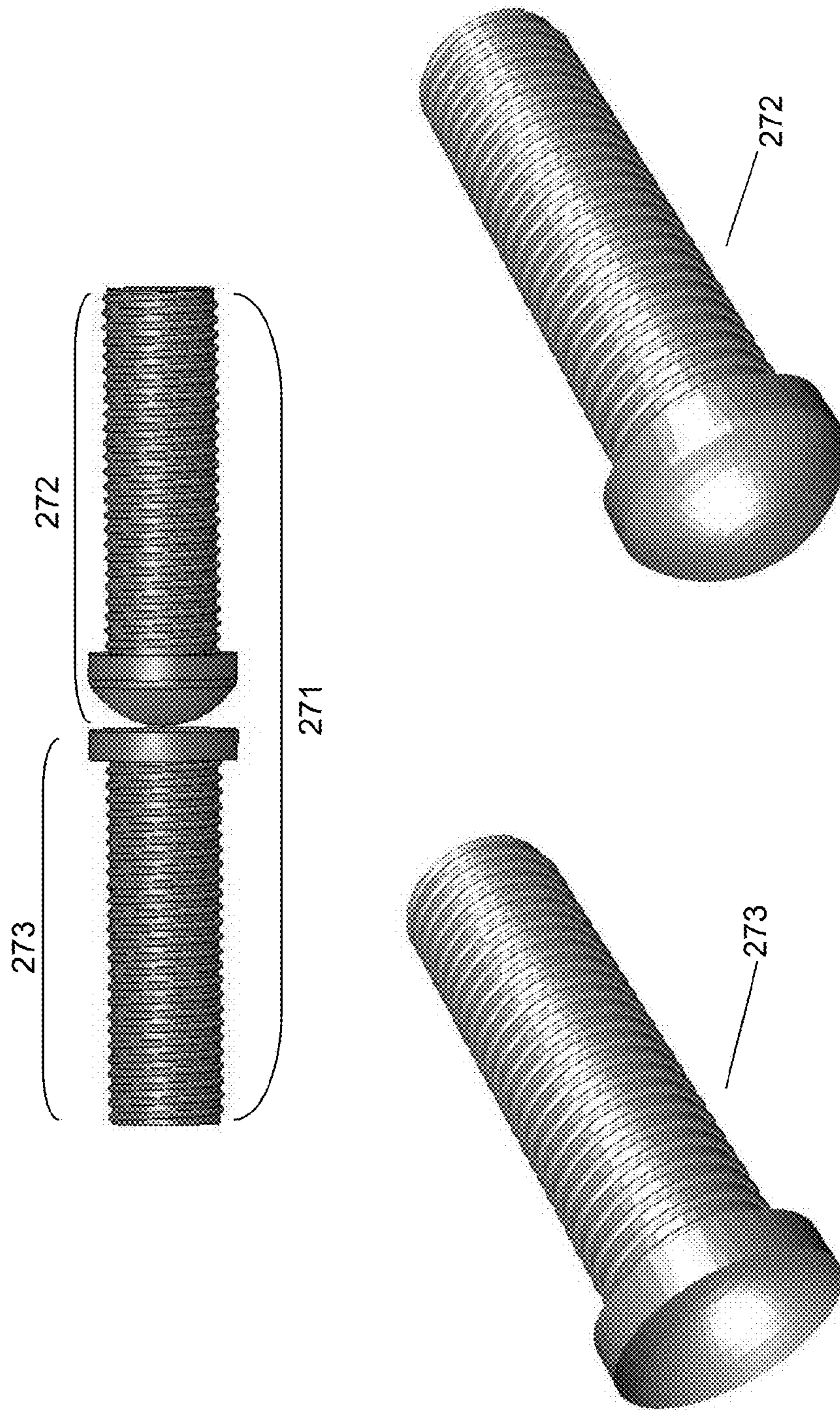


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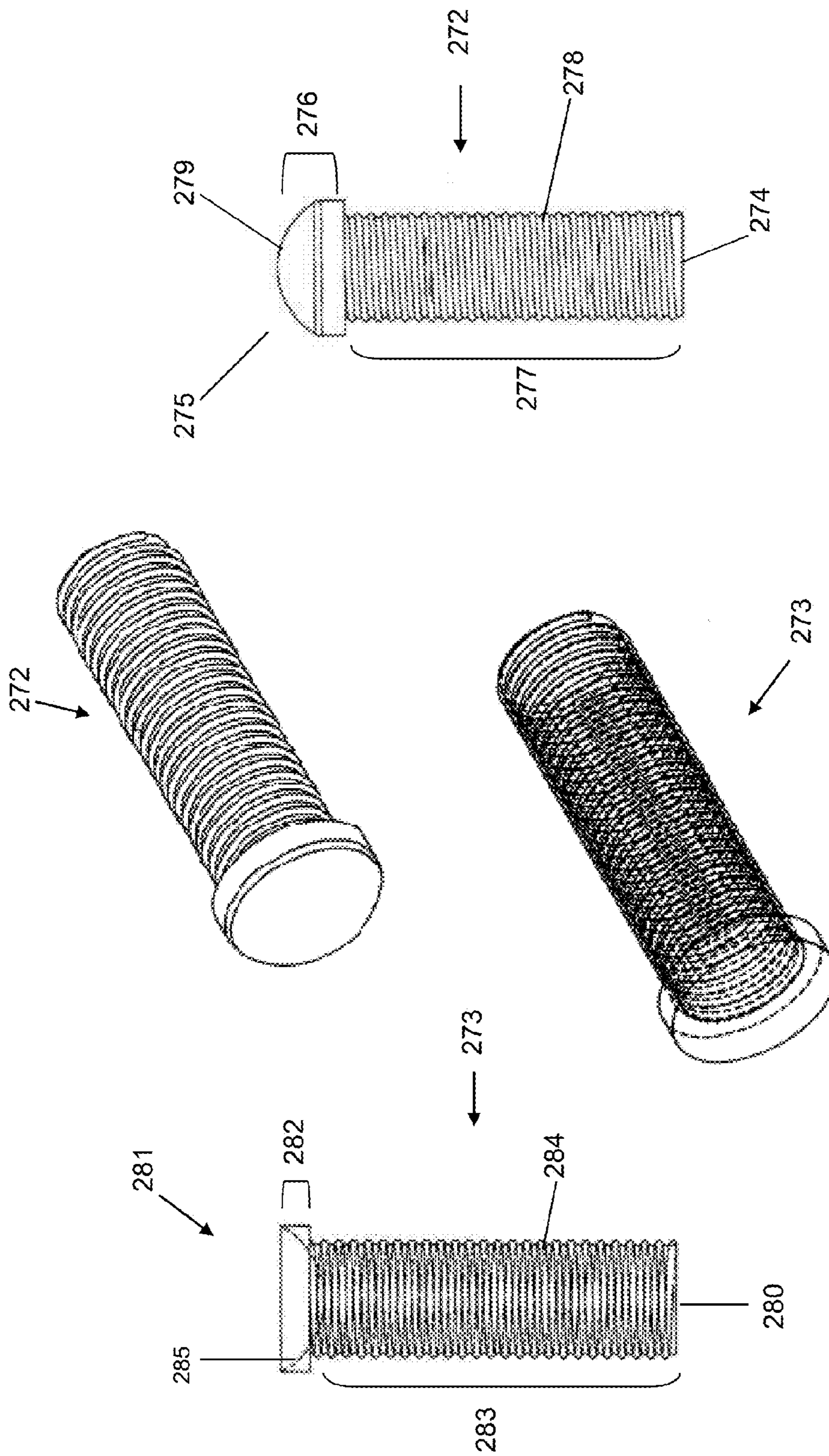


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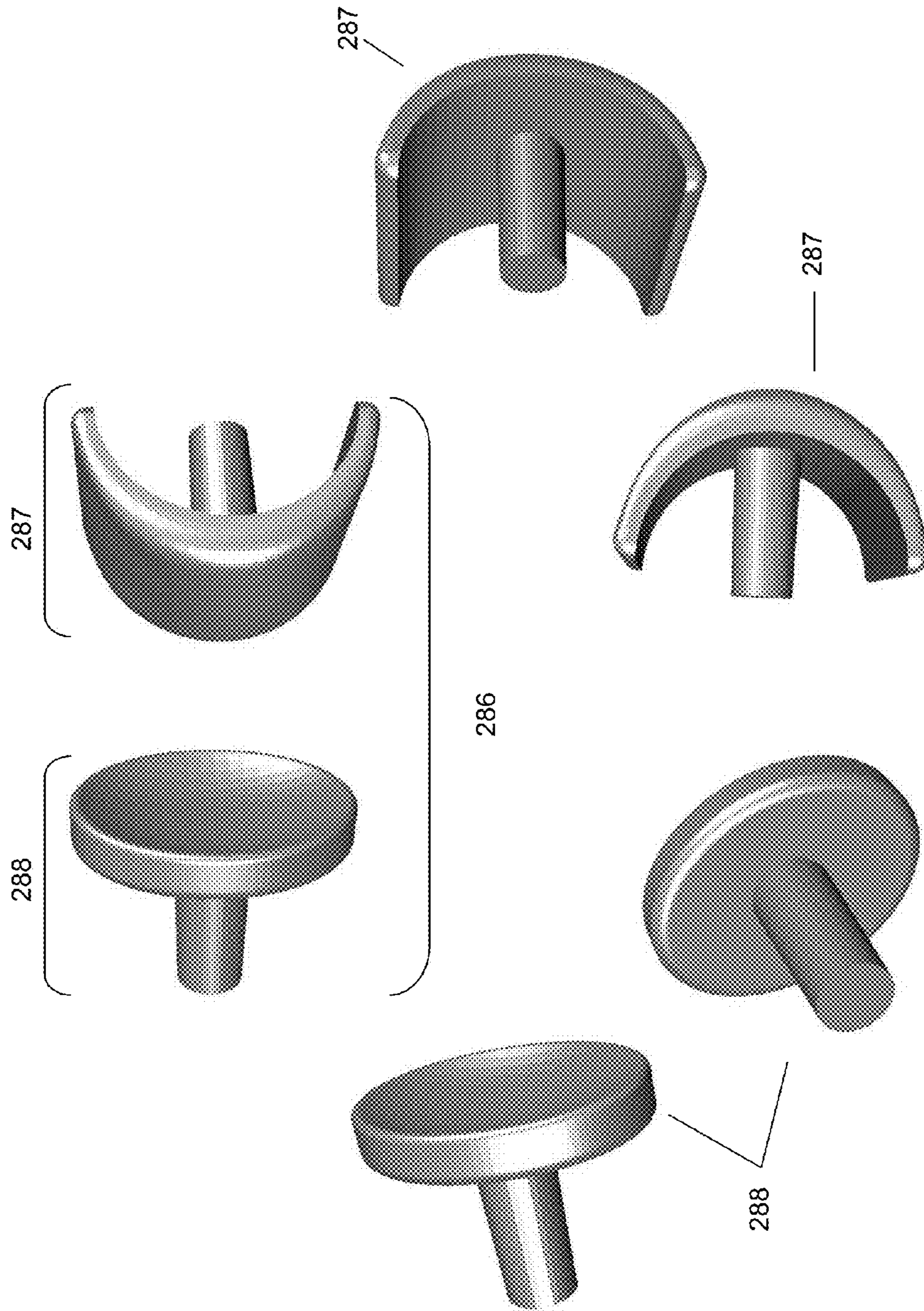


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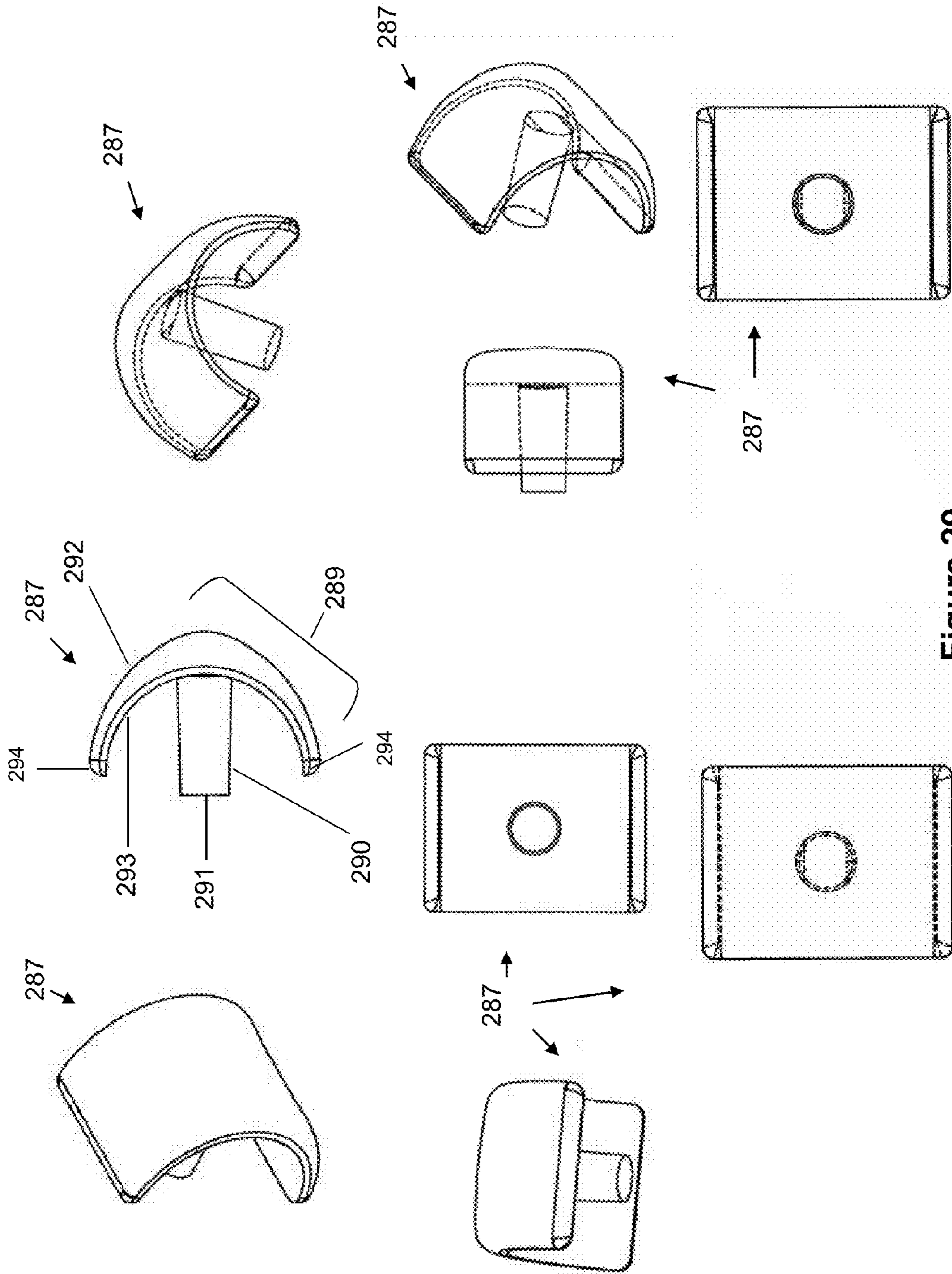


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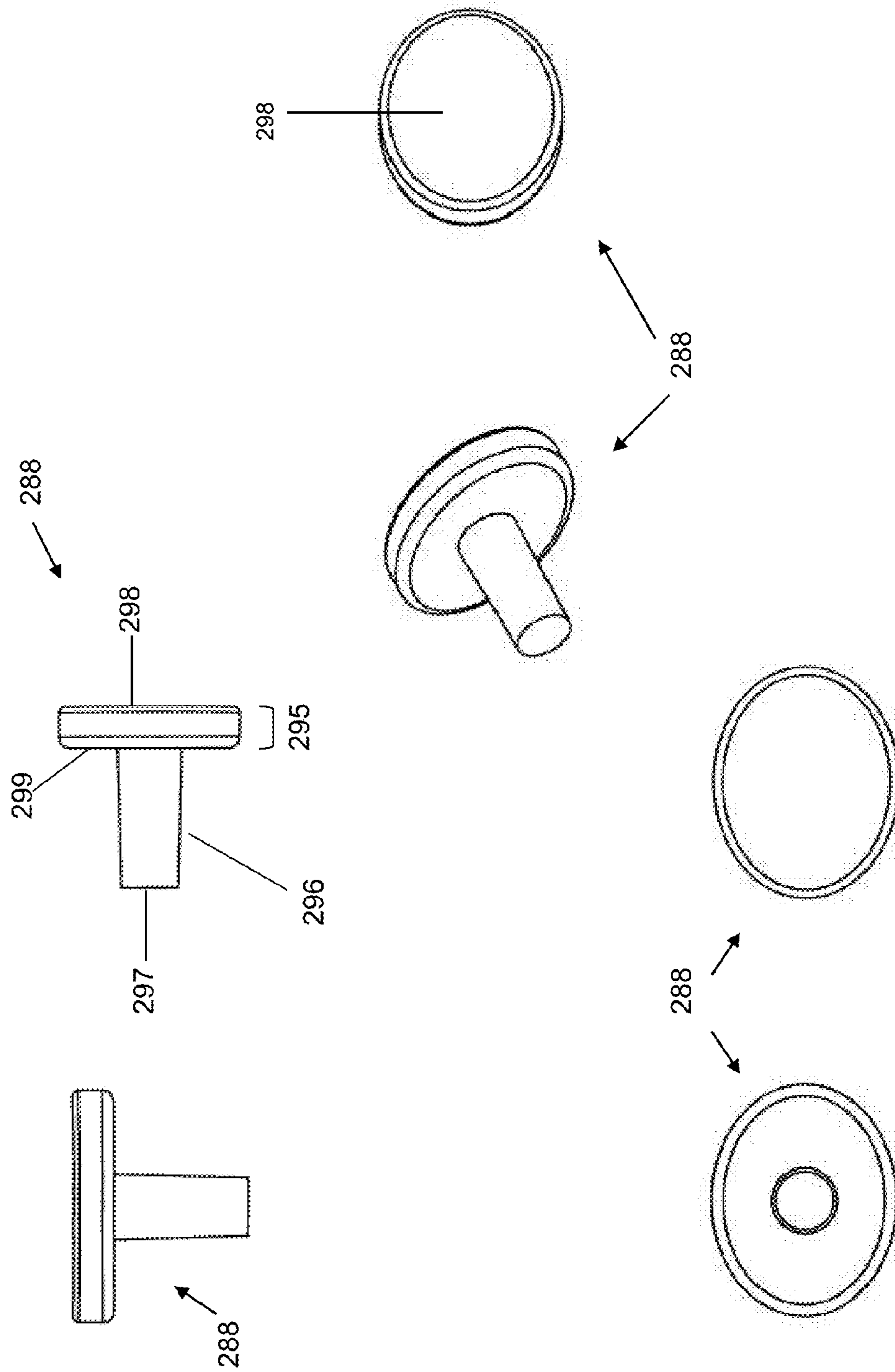


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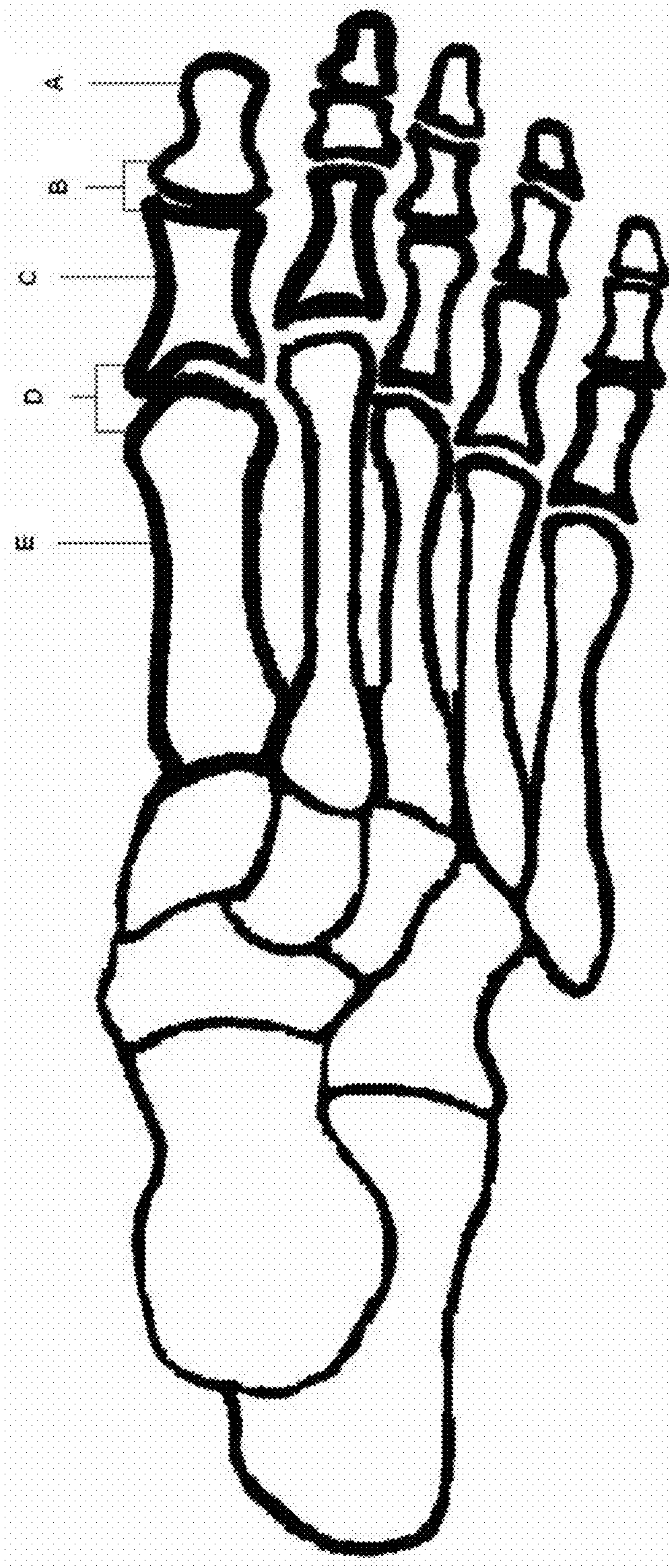


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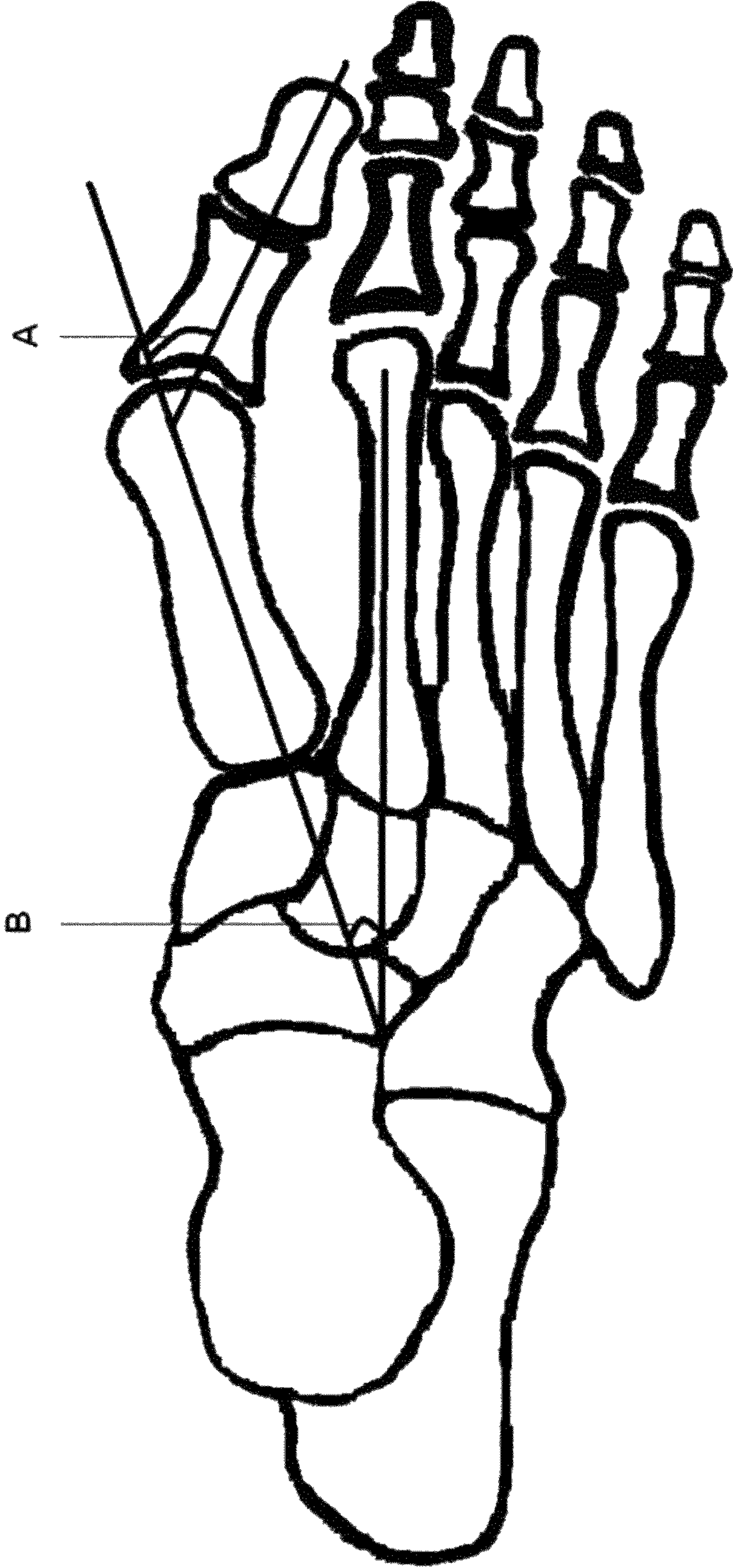


Figure 32

TOE JOINT REPLACEMENT MODELS

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a division of U.S. patent application Ser. No. 12/748,405, filed Mar. 27, 2010, which claims the benefit of priority under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 61/163,920, filed Mar. 27, 2009, all of which are hereby incorporated in their entireties

BACKGROUND

Hallux valgus is characterized as a deformity of the great toe (hallux) and first metatarsophalangeal joint, wherein the first metatarsal is medially deviated, the great toe is laterally deviated and/or rotated on the head of the metatarsal, the plantar pad and sesamoids are displaced with the toe, and the ligaments on the medial side of the metatarsophalangeal joint are stretched. The position of the great toe with respect to the second toe can be overriding, underriding, abutting, or without contact. Thus, hallux valgus can involve transverse plane deformities (hallux abductus), or frontal and transverse plane deformities (hallux abductovalgus). With respect to deformities in the transverse plane, the angle between the longitudinal axis of the metatarsals of the first and second toes (intermetatarsal angle) typically deviates beyond the normal range of 8-12°. With respect to deformities in the frontal plane, the angle between the longitudinal axis of the metatarsal and proximal phalanx of the great toe (hallux valgus angle) typically deviates beyond the normal upper limit of 15-20°.

In addition to physical deformity, hallux valgus is often accompanied by formation of a callous, bursa, or bunion over the first metatarsal head, pain in the first metatarsophalangeal joint during ambulation, pain in the metatarsal head, and combinations thereof.

Hallux valgus is estimated to affect more than 43 million people in the United States, with incidence more predominate in females, those older than 60 years of age, teenagers who wear high heels, and athletes. It can develop due to numerous factors, including biomechanical instability (e.g., excessive pronation), arthritic/metabolic conditions (e.g., osteo/rheumatoid arthritis), neuromuscular disease (e.g., multiple sclerosis), trauma (e.g., soft-tissue sprains, dislocations, and sports-related injuries), and structural deformities (e.g., abnormal metatarsal length). Additionally, there tends to be familial disposition to developing hallux valgus.

Development of hallux valgus typically occurs in four stages. See Root, M L, "Normal and Abnormal Function of the Foot," Vol. 2, *Clinical Biomechanics* (1977). The first stage is associated with lateral subluxation (partial or complete dislocation) of the proximal phalanx. The second stage is associated with increased abduction of the hallux in the transverse and/or frontal planes. The third stage is associated with additional subluxation at the first metatarsophalangeal joint. The fourth stage is associated with dislocation of the first metatarsophalangeal joint.

Hallux valgus is a complex deformity and various approaches to treating or correcting the deformity may be available. For example, when hallux valgus is in its early stages, or where surgical correction is contraindicated, braces, straps, splints, orthotics, or combinations thereof may be used to manage progression of the deformity and relieve the associated symptoms. However, surgery is the only means of correcting the deformity.

The first surgical treatment to address hallux valgus dates to 1881 when an osteotomy procedure involving an incision

medial to the extensor hallucis longus, followed by incision of the periosteum, removal of exostosis, removal of bone from behind the caputulum of the metatarsus, and suturing of the bone. Since this forerunning procedure, numerous other procedures have been developed, all with the goal of addressing the deformity with minimal complications. Such surgical procedures, while varying depending upon the nature of the deformity and particular needs of the patient, generally allow for establishment of a congruous first metatarsophalangeal joint, reduction of the intermetatarsal angle, realignment of the sesamoids, realignment of the hallux to a rectus (rather than an abductus) position, and maintenance or increase of the range of motion of the first metatarsophalangeal joint.

Typical surgical procedures involve one or more of osteotomy of the metatarsal head, osteotomy of the metatarsal shaft or base, fusion of the metatarsophalangeal joint, resectional arthroplasty, resectional arthroplasty with a partial (hemi) implant, and resectional arthroplasty with a total implant. With respect to procedures involving an implant, numerous devices for use therewith are known in the art. For example, known hemi arthroplasty devices, which are typically used when the proximal phalanx is degenerated but the metatarsal head is intact, include the BioPro® hemi toe implant (BioPro, Inc., Port Huron, Mich.); Futura™ Metal Hemi Toe implant (Tornier, Edina, Minn.); K2™ Hemi Toe Implant System (Integra LifeSciences Corp., Plainsboro, N.J.); and Swanson™ Great Toe Implant (Wright Medical Technology, Inc., Arlington, Tenn.), all of which are depicted in FIG. 1A. Examples of known double-stemmed hinges, which are typically used when both the proximal phalanx and the metatarsal head are degenerated, include the Swanson™ Flexible Hinge Toe implant (Wright Medical Technology, Inc., Arlington, Tenn.); GAIT Implant™ (Sgarlato Med, San Jose, Calif.); and Futura™ Flexible Great Toe implant (Tornier, Edina, Minn.), all of which are depicted in FIG. 1B. In addition, examples of known two-component devices, which are also typically used when both the proximal phalanx and the metatarsal head are degenerated, include the Total Toe™ System (Biomet, Warsaw, Ind.); Bio-Action™ Great Toe Implant (Osteomed, Inc., Addison, Tex.); ReFlexion™ 1st MPJ Implant System (Osteomed, Inc., Addison, Tex.); and KGTT™ Kinetik Great Toe Implant System (Integra LifeSciences Corp., Plainsboro, N.J.), all of which are depicted in FIG. 1C.

Along with the knowledge in the art of numerous implant devices is the knowledge of numerous problems associated with such devices. Examples include, but are not limited to, shearing stress, loosening of the device, fragmentation, fracture through the proximal phalanx, breakage of hinged implants at the hinge, misalignment, recurrence of deformity, limited joint motion, development of plantar keratosis, development of tenderness around the joint, development of long flexor tendonitis, development of metatarsalgia, and development of metallosis. Accordingly, there is need in the art for improved implant devices for use in correcting hallux valgus. Moreover, there is need in the art for devices that are aligned and articulate in a manner consistent with natural motion of the metatarsophalangeal joint, that resist torsion forces applied to the device, and that are designed to be implanted without complex assembly, positioning, or other manipulation by the surgeon.

SUMMARY

Embodiments of the present invention provide novel implantable devices used to replace all or a portion of a joint of the human toe. In some embodiments, the implantable

devices are designed to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, the devices replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, the devices replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint.

In various embodiments, the implantable devices replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint and comprise (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; or (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; or (iii) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; and a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface. In some embodiments, the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage when implanted such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member may move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

In various embodiments, also provided are methods of treating hallux valgus, comprising replacing all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint with implantable devices selected from: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; or (iii) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; and a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface.

These and additional features of the invention will become apparent in the course of the following detailed description.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

A more complete appreciation of the invention and the many embodiments thereof will be readily obtained as the same becomes better understood by reference to the following detailed description when considered in connection with the accompanying drawings, wherein:

FIG. 1 illustrates various examples of implantable devices known in the art;

FIGS. 2-4 illustrate one example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 5-7 illustrate an additional example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 8-10 illustrate a further example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 11-13 also illustrate one example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 14-16 illustrate an additional example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 17-19 illustrate a further example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 20-22 also illustrate an example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 23-25 illustrate an additional example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 26-27 illustrate a further example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIGS. 28-30 also illustrate one example of an implantable two-component device and elements thereof;

FIG. 31 illustrates the bones of the foot, including those most relevant to hallux valgus: A, distal phalanx; B, interphalangeal joint; C, proximal phalanx; D, metatarsophalangeal joint; E, metatarsal; and

FIG. 32 illustrates deformity of the A, hallux valgus angle; and B, intermetatarsal angle. In various embodiments, the provided implants are designed to correct one or both angles in a subject foot.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

The present invention will now be described with occasional reference to the specific embodiments of the invention. This invention may, however, be embodied in different forms and should not be construed as limited to the embodiments set forth herein. Rather, these embodiments are provided so that this disclosure will be thorough and complete, and will fully convey the scope of the invention to those skilled in the art. Similarly, the present invention should not be considered limited to the specific examples described herein, but rather should be understood to cover all aspects of the invention. Various modifications and equivalents, as well as numerous structures and devices to which the present invention may be applicable will be readily apparent to those of skill in the art. Those skilled in the art will understand that various changes may be made without departing from the scope of the invention, which is not to be considered limited to what is described in the specification.

Unless otherwise defined, all technical and scientific terms used herein have the same meaning as commonly understood by one of ordinary skill in the art to which this invention belongs. The terminology used in the description of the invention herein is for describing particular embodiments only and is not intended to be limiting. As used in the description of the invention and the appended claims, the singular forms "a," "an," and "the" are intended to include the plural forms as well, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Unless otherwise indicated, all numbers expressing quantities of ingredients, properties such as molecular weight, reaction conditions, and so forth as used in the specification and claims are to be understood as being modified in all instances by the term "about." Additionally, the disclosure of any ranges in the specification and claims are to be understood as including the range itself and also anything subsumed therein, as well as endpoints. Unless otherwise indicated, the numerical properties set forth in the specification and claims are approximations that may vary depending on the desired properties sought to be obtained in embodiments of the present invention. Notwithstanding that numerical ranges and parameters setting forth the broad scope of the invention are approximations, the numerical values set forth in the specific examples are reported as precisely as possible. Any numerical values, however, inherently contain certain errors necessarily resulting from error found in their respective measurements.

Provided are implantable devices used to replace all or part of a human toe joint. In some embodiments, the devices

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replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint, said devices being designed to be positioned during implantation such that when the muscles and tendons of the foot exert a force on the natural phalanx and metatarsal bones, the components of the device provide functional cooperation that emulates the desired and permissible movements of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, the provided devices align and articulate in a manner consistent with natural motion of the joint. In some embodiments, the devices are adapted to be implanted without complex assembly, positioning, or other manipulation by the surgeon.

In various embodiments, the implantable devices replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint and comprise (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; or (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; or (iii) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; and a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface. Accordingly, these devices can be used for total joint replacement when a metatarsal and a phalanx component are implanted, or for partial (hemi) replacement when only one of the metatarsal and phalanx component is implanted.

In various embodiments, the implantable devices replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint and comprise: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; a base member adapted to be fixed within the metatarsal bone; and a locking member adapted to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member to the base member; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; a base member adapted to be fixed within the phalanx bone; and a locking member adapted to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member to the base member; wherein the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage when implanted such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member may move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

In various embodiments, the implantable devices replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint and comprise: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; and a locking member comprising a screw thread adapted to fix the metatarsal component in the metatarsal bone; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; and a locking member comprising a screw thread adapted to fix the phalanx component in the phalanx bone; wherein the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage when implanted such that the metatarsal articulation member

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and the phalanx articulation member may move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

In various embodiments, the implantable devices replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint and comprise: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex parabolic bearing surface terminating at equidistantly positioned ends; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; wherein the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage when implanted such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member may move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

The provided devices may be comprised of any material suitable for implant devices. For example, materials that comply with ASTM F75-01, F90-01, F136-02a, and other applicable specifications. In some embodiments suitable materials of composition may be selected from ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene (“UHMWPE”), stainless steel (including but not limited to SS 316L), titanium, titanium alloys (including but not limited to Ti-6Al-4V), chromium-cobalt-molybdenum alloys, pyrocarbon, and combinations thereof. Properties of some suitable materials are shown in Table 1. In some embodiments, a device may comprise a coating for enhancing bone growth. For example, a suitable coating may be titanium plasma spray. In some embodiments, a device may be partially or completely formed from pyrocarbon. In some embodiments, the pyrocarbon is coated with titanium plasma spray. In some embodiments, UHMWPE is the material of composition used for the metatarsal bearing surface, the phalanx bearing surface, or both.

TABLE 1

Material	Elastic Modulus	Tensile Strength	Density	Modulus of Shear	Yield Strength
UHMWPE	1258 MPa	45.8 MPa	932 kg/m ³	11-13 MPa	23.56 MPa
Stainless Steel 316L	200 GPa	485 MPa	8027 kg/m ³	82 GPa	170 MPa
Ti-6Al-4V	113.8 GPa	950 MPa	4430 kg/m ³	44 GPa	880 MPa
Pyrocarbon	25 GPa	420 MPa	1700 kg/m ³	—	345 MPa

Referring to FIGS. 2-10, illustrated are various examples of implantable devices of the invention which are designed to replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint. Such devices comprise one or more of: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface and a stem adapted to receive a portion of a locking member; a base member adapted to be fixed within the metatarsal bone, the base member comprising a cavity adapted to receive at least a portion of the stem and a portion of the locking member; and a locking member adapted to be received by the stem and cavity; wherein when the stem is received in the cavity and the locking member is received by the stem and cavity, the metatarsal articulation member is mechanically joined to the base member; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface and a stem adapted to

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receive a portion of a locking member; a base member adapted to be fixed within the phalanx bone, the base member comprising a cavity adapted to receive at least a portion of the stem and a portion of the locking member; and a locking member adapted to be received by the stem and cavity; wherein when the stem is received in the cavity and the locking member is received by the stem and cavity, the phalanx articulation member is mechanically joined to the base member.

In those embodiments wherein one of the components is implanted, the chosen component is adapted to cooperatively engage with and move with respect to either the proximal end of the proximal phalanx bone or the distal end of the metatarsal bone. In those embodiments wherein both of the components are implanted, the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

Referring to FIG. 2, one example of a two-component implant device 1 comprises a metatarsal component 2 and a phalanx component 3. The metatarsal component 2 is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal component 2 comprises a base member 4, a metatarsal articulation member 5, and a locking member 6. The base member 4 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 4 is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

The phalanx component 3 is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component 3 comprises a base member 7, a phalanx articulation member 8, and a locking member 9. The base member 7 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the phalanx component 3 is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

In some embodiments, one or both of the metatarsal component 2 and the phalanx component 3 are implanted into the human foot to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, one or both components 2, 3 may be implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, one or both components 2, 3 are implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each component 2, 3 implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components 2, 3 may comprise one or more dimensions as set forth in Table 2. In some embodiments, each component 2, 3 and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

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TABLE 2

	Dimension (mm)	
5	Metatarsal	
	Base Member Length	22-26
	Base Member Outer Diameter Top	7-10
	Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	7-10
	Articulation Member Length (Excluding Head Portion)	12-16
10	Articulation Member Outer Diameter Top	4-7
	Articulation Member Outer Diameter Bottom	3-6
	Head Portion Diameter	10-13
	Locking Member Outer Diameter	4-7
	Locking Member Inner Diameter	2-5
15	Locking Member Thickness	0.5
	Head Portion Height	2
	Phalanx	
	Base Member Length	18-22
	Base Member Outer Diameter Top	10-13
	Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	10-13
20	Articulation Member Length (Excluding Head Portion)	10-15
	Articulation Member Outer Diameter Top	7-10
	Articulation Member Outer Diameter Bottom	6-8
	Head Portion Diameter	10-13
	Locking Member Outer Diameter	7-10
25	Locking Member Inner Diameter	5-8
	Locking Member Thickness	0.5
	Head Portion Depth	2

A further illustrated in FIG. 3, the base member 4 of the metatarsal component 2 is cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that a base member 4 may alternatively be non-cylindrical, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 2 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member 4 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member 4 comprises a continuous first end 11, a non-continuous second end 12, and a cavity 10 for receiving a portion of the metatarsal articulation member 5. The cavity 10 comprises a first end 13 recessed within the base member 4, a second end 14 that is partially shared with the second end 12 of the base member 4, and a peripheral slot 15 for receiving a portion of the locking member 6. As shown, the cavity 10 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity 10 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 2 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity 10 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 15 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the cavity 10 in a direction away from a longitudinal axis 16 of the base member 4. As shown, the slot 15 may be positioned at or proximate to the first end 13 of the cavity 10, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the cavity 10, provided that the metatarsal articulation member 5 is correspondingly adapted. Moreover, it is also contemplated that the first end 11 of the base member 4 may alternatively be non-continuous and partially shared with the first end 13 of the cavity 10.

The articulation member 5 of the metatarsal component 2 comprises a head portion 17, a stem 20, and an integral slot 22. The head portion 17 comprises a substantially convex bearing surface 18 and a proximal surface 19 opposite

thereto. As shown, the proximal surface 19 is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface 18 is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem 20 protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface 19, terminates at a proximal end 21, and is adapted to be received within the cavity 10 of the base member 4. When so received, the proximal surface 19 abuts the second end 12 of the base member 4. It is also contemplated that the proximal surface 19 could be spaced from the second end 12 when so received. As shown, the stem 20 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the stem 20 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 2 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a stem 20 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 22 is integrated with and formed in a direction towards a longitudinal axis 23 of the metatarsal articulation member 5 around all or a portion of the stem 20, and it is adapted to receive a portion of the locking member 6. As shown, the slot 22 may be positioned at or proximate to the proximal end 21, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the stem 20, provided that the base member 4 is correspondingly adapted. The stem 20 and slot 22 are adapted to fit within the cavity 10 of the base member 4 such that both slots 15, 22 are aligned to each receive a portion and together receive the whole of the locking member 6.

The locking member 6 is a resilient spring member having at least a first and a second configuration (not shown) and is adapted to be received within both slots 15, 22 to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member 5 with the base member 4. In some embodiments, the metatarsal articulation member 5 and the base member 4 are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. As shown, the locking member 6 is non-continuous and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member 6 may alternatively be continuous, have a different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements (including, but not limited to the slots 15, 22) of the metatarsal component 2 are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member 6 could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable cross-section. In some embodiments, the locking member 6 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments of assembly, the locking member 6 is flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion through the partially shared second ends 12, 14 of the base member 4 and cavity 10; remains in the second configuration as it is advanced along the cavity 10 towards the first end 13; and upon encountering the slot 15 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 15. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 6 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 15.

In some embodiments of assembly, a portion of the locking member 6 is received within the slot 22 of the metatarsal articulating member 5; the stem 20 of said articulating member 5 is inserted through the shared ends 12, 14 of the base member 4 and cavity 10 as the locking member 6 flexes from a first to a second configuration; the locking member 6 remains in the second configuration as it and the stem 20 are advanced along the cavity 10 towards the first end 13; and upon encountering the slot 15 of the base member 4, the

locking member 6 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 15. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 6 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 15.

As further illustrated in FIG. 4, the base member 7 of the phalanx component 3 is cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that a base member 7 may alternatively be non-cylindrical, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 3 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member 7 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member 7 comprises a continuous first end 24, a non-continuous second end 25, and a cavity 26 for receiving a portion of the phalanx articulation member 8. The cavity 26 comprises a first end 27 recessed within the base member 7, a second end 28 that is partially shared with the second end 25 of the base member 7, and a peripheral slot 29 for receiving a portion of the locking member 9. As shown, the cavity 26 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity 26 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 3 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity 26 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 29 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the cavity 26 in a direction away from a longitudinal axis 30 of the base member 7. As shown, the slot 29 may be positioned at or proximate to the first end 27, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the cavity 26, provided that the phalanx articulation member 8 is correspondingly adapted. Moreover, it is also contemplated that the first end 24 of the base member 7 may alternatively be non-continuous and partially shared with the first end 27 of the cavity 26.

The articulation member 8 of the phalanx component 3 comprises a head portion 31, a stem 34, and an integral slot 36. The head portion 31 comprises a substantially concave bearing surface 32 and a distal surface 33 opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface 33 is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface 32 is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem 34 protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface 33, terminates at a distal end 35, and is adapted to be received within the cavity 26 of the base member 7. When so received, the distal surface 33 abuts the second end 25 of the base member 7. It is also contemplated that the distal surface 33 could be spaced from the second end 25 when so received. As shown, the stem 34 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the stem 34 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 3 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a stem 34 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 36 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the stem 34 in a direction towards a longitudinal axis 37 of the phalanx articulation member 8, and it is adapted to receive a portion of the locking member 9. As shown, the slot 36 may be positioned at or proximate to the distal end 35, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned else-

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where along the stem 34, provided that the base member 7 is correspondingly adapted. The stem 34 and slot 36 are adapted to fit within the cavity 26 of the base member 7 such that both slots 29, 36 are aligned to each receive a portion and together receive the whole of the locking member 9.

The locking member 9 is a resilient spring member having at least a first and a second configuration (not shown) and is adapted to be received within both slots 29, 36 to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member 8 with the base member 7. In some embodiments, the phalanx articulation member 8 and the base member 7 are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. As shown, the locking member 9 is non-continuous and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member 9 may alternatively be continuous, have a different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements (including, but not limited to the slots 29, 36) of the phalanx component 3 are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member 9 could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable cross-section. In some embodiments, the locking member 9 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments of assembly, the locking member 9 is flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion through the partially shared second ends 25, 28 of the base member 7 and cavity 26; remains in the second configuration as it is advanced along the cavity 26 towards the first end 27; and upon encountering the slot 29 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 29. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 9 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 29.

In some embodiments of assembly, a portion of the locking member 9 is received within the slot 36 of the phalanx articulating member 8, the stem 34 of said articulating member 8 is inserted through the shared ends 25, 28 of the base member 7 and cavity 26 as the locking member 9 flexes from a first to a second configuration; the locking member 9 remains in the second configuration as it and the stem 34 are advanced along the cavity 26 towards the first end 27; and upon encountering the slot 29 of the base member 7, the locking member 9 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 29. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 9 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 29.

Referring to FIGS. 5-7, illustrated is another example of a two-component implant 38 that comprises a metatarsal component 39 and a phalanx component 40. The metatarsal component 39 is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal component 39 comprises a base member 41, a metatarsal articulation member 42, and a locking member 43. The base member 41 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 41 is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

The phalanx component 40 is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component 40 comprises a base member 44, a phalanx articulation member 45, and a

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locking member 46. The base member 44 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 44 is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

In some embodiments, one or both of the metatarsal component 39 and the phalanx component 40 are implanted into the human foot to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, one or both components 39, 40 may be implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, one or both components 39, 40 are implanted in a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each component 39, 40 implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components 39, 40 may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 3. In some embodiments, each component 39, 40 and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

TABLE 3

	Dimension (mm)
Metatarsal	
Base Member Length	22-26
Base Member Outer Diameter Top	7-10
Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	5-7
Articulation Member Length (Excluding Head Portion)	12-16
Articulation Member Outer Diameter Top	4-7
Articulation Member Outer Diameter Bottom	3-5
Head Portion Diameter	10-13
Locking Member Outer Diameter	4-7
Locking Member Inner Diameter	2-5
Locking Member Thickness	0.5
Head Portion Height	2
Phalanx	
Base Member Length	18-22
Base Member Outer Diameter Top	10-13
Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	7-10
Articulation Member Length (Excluding Head Portion)	10-15
Articulation Member Outer Diameter Top	7-10
Articulation Member Outer Diameter Bottom	5-8
Head Portion Diameter	10-13
Locking Member Outer Diameter	7-10
Locking Member Inner Diameter	5-8
Locking Member Thickness	0.5
Head Portion Depth	2

As further illustrated in FIG. 6, the base member 41 of the metatarsal component 39 is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that a base member 41 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 39 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member 41 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member 41 comprises a continuous first end 44, a non-continuous second end 45, and a cavity 46 for receiving a portion of the metatarsal articulation member 42. The cavity 46 comprises a first end 47 recessed within the base member 41, a second end 48 that is partially shared with the second end 45 of the base member

41, and a peripheral slot 49 for receiving a portion of the locking member 43. As shown, the cavity 46 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity 46 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 39 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity 46 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 49 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the cavity 46 in a direction away from a longitudinal axis 50 of the base member 41. As shown, the slot 49 may be positioned at or proximate to the first end 47, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the cavity 46, provided that the metatarsal articulation member 42 is correspondingly adapted. Moreover, it is also contemplated that the first end 44 of the base member 41 may alternatively be non-continuous and partially shared with the first end 47 of the cavity 46.

The articulation member 42 of the metatarsal component 39 comprises a head portion 51, a stem 54, and an integral slot 56. The head portion 51 comprises a substantially convex bearing surface 52 and a proximal surface 53 opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface 53 is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface 52 is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem 54 protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface 53, terminates at a proximal end 55, and is adapted to be received within the cavity 46 of the base member 41. When so received, the proximal surface 53 abuts the second end 45 of the base member 41. It is also contemplated that the proximal surface 53 could be spaced from the second end 45 when so received. As shown, the stem 54 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the stem 54 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 39 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a stem 54 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 56 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the stem 54 in a direction towards a longitudinal axis 57 of the metatarsal articulation member 42, and it is adapted to receive a portion of the locking member 43. As shown, the slot 56 may be positioned at or proximate to the proximal end 55, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the stem 54, provided that the base member 41 is correspondingly adapted. The stem 54 and slot 56 are adapted to fit within the cavity 46 of the base member 41 such that both slots 49, 56 are aligned to each receive a portion and together receive the whole of the locking member 43.

The locking member 43 is a resilient spring member having at least a first and a second configuration (not shown) and is adapted to be received within both slots 49, 56 to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member 42 with the base member 41. In some embodiments, the metatarsal articulation member 42 and the base member 41 are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. As shown, the locking member 43 is non-continuous and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member 43 may alternatively be continuous, have an different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other ele-

ments (including, but not limited to the slots 49, 56) of the metatarsal component 39 are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member 43 could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable cross-section. In some embodiments, the locking member 43 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments of assembly, the locking member 43 is flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion through the partially shared second ends 45, 48 of the base member 41 and cavity 46; remains in the second configuration as it is advanced along the cavity 46 towards the first end 47; and upon encountering the slot 49 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 49. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 43 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 49.

In some embodiments of assembly, a portion of the locking member 43 is received within the slot 56 of the metatarsal articulating member 42; the stem 54 of said articulating member 42 is inserted through the shared ends 45, 48 of the base member 41 and cavity 46 as the locking member 43 flexes from a first to a second configuration; the locking member 43 remains in the second configuration as it and the stem 54 are advanced along the cavity 46 towards the first end 47; and upon encountering the slot 49 of the base member 41, the locking member 43 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 49. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 43 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 49.

A further illustrated in FIG. 7, the base member 44 of the phalanx component 40 is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that a base member 44 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 40 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member 44 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member 44 comprises a continuous first end 58, a non-continuous second end 59, and a cavity 60 for receiving a portion of the phalanx articulation member 45. The cavity 60 comprises a first end 61 recessed within the base member 44, a second end 62 that is partially shared with the second end 59 of the base member 44, and a peripheral slot 63 for receiving a portion of the locking member 46. As shown, the cavity 60 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity 60 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 40 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity 60 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 63 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the cavity 60 in a direction away from a longitudinal axis 64 of the base member 44. As shown, the slot 63 may be positioned at or proximate to the first end 61, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the cavity 60, provided that the phalanx articulation member 45 is correspondingly adapted. Moreover, it is also contemplated that the first end 58 of the base member 44 may alternatively be non-continuous and partially shared with the first end 61 of the cavity 60.

The articulation member 45 of the phalanx component 40 comprises a head portion 65, a stem 68, and an integral slot

70. The head portion 65 comprises a substantially concave bearing surface 66 and a distal surface 67 opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface 67 is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface 66 is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem 68 protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface 67, terminates at a distal end 69, and is adapted to be received within the cavity 60 of the base member 44. When so received, the distal surface 67 abuts the second end 59 of the base member 44. It is also contemplated that the distal surface 67 could be spaced from the second end 59 when so received. As shown, the stem 68 is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the stem 68 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 40 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a stem 68 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot 70 is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the stem 68 in a direction towards a longitudinal axis 71 of the phalanx articulation member 45, and it is adapted to receive a portion of the locking member 46. As shown, the slot 70 may be positioned at or proximate to the distal end 69, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the stem 68, provided that the base member 44 is correspondingly adapted. The stem 68 and slot 70 are adapted to fit within the cavity 60 of the base member 44 such that both slots 63, 70 are aligned to each receive a portion and together receive the whole of the locking member 46.

The locking member 46 is a resilient spring member having at least a first and a second configuration (not shown) and is adapted to be received within both slots 63, 70 to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member 45 with the base member 44. In some embodiments, the phalanx articulation member 45 and the base member 44 are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. As shown, the locking member 46 is non-continuous and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member 46 may alternatively be continuous, have an different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements (including, but not limited to the slots 63, 70) of the phalanx component 40 are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member 46 could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable cross-section. In some embodiments, the locking member 46 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments of assembly, the locking member 46 is flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion through the partially shared second ends 59, 62 of the base member 44 and cavity 60; remains in the second configuration as it is advanced along the cavity 60 towards the first end 61; and upon encountering the slot 63 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 63. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 46 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 63.

In some embodiments of assembly, a portion of the locking member 46 is received within the slot 70 of the phalanx articulating member 45; the stem 68 of said articulating member 45 is inserted through the shared ends 59, 62 of the base member 44 and cavity 60 as the locking member 46 flexes from a first to a second configuration; the locking member 46 remains in the second configuration as it and the stem 68 are

advanced along the cavity 60 towards the first end 61; and upon encountering the slot 63 of the base member 44, the locking member 46 flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot 63. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member 46 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot 63.

Referring to FIGS. 8-10, illustrated is another example of a two-component implant 72 that comprises a metatarsal component 73 and a phalanx component 74. The metatarsal component 73 is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal component 73 comprises a base member 75, a metatarsal articulation member 76, and a locking member 77. The base member 75 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, it is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, the base member 75 is designed to be fixed by tension on the interior cavity of the resected bone.

The phalanx component 74 is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component 74 comprises a base member 78, a phalanx articulation member 79, and a locking member 80. The base member 78 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, it is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, the base member 78 is designed to be fixed by tension on the interior cavity of the resected bone.

In some embodiments, one or both of the metatarsal component 73 and the phalanx component 74 are implanted into the human foot to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, one or both components 73, 74 may be implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, one or both components 73, 74 are implanted in a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each component 73, 74 implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components 73, 74 may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 3. In some embodiments, each component 73, 74 and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

As further illustrated in FIG. 9, the base member 75 of the metatarsal component 73 comprises primary 81 and secondary 82 body portions. The primary body portion 81 is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the primary body portion 81 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 73 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a primary body portion 81 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The secondary body portion 82 comprises one or more flanges peripherally positioned around the primary body portion 81. As shown, the secondary body portion 82 comprises four flanges equidistantly positioned around the periphery of

the primary body portion **81**. Each of said flanges has a generally triangular cross-section, a length approximately two-thirds that of the primary body portion **81**, one end (not labeled) positioned at the second end **83** of the base member **75**, and runs longitudinally along the primary body portion **81**. However, it is contemplated that the secondary body portion **82** may have fewer or more flanges, that the flanges may have another suitable cross-section (for example, generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape), that the flanges may have another suitable length, that the flanges may be suitably spaced or positioned in a different manner, and combinations thereof. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion **82** may be a resilient spring member adapted to be received within the interior cavity of a resected bone, wherein upon insertion into the cavity, the secondary body portion **82** flexes from a first to a second configuration (not shown) that exerts sufficient tension on the bone cavity to fix the base member **75**. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion **82** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

The base member **75** comprises a continuous first end **84**, a non-continuous second end **83**, and a cavity **85** for receiving a portion of the metatarsal articulation member **76**. The cavity **85** comprises a first end **86** recessed within the base member **75**, a second end **87** that is partially shared with the second end **83** of the base member **75**, and a peripheral slot **88** for receiving a portion of the locking member **77**. As shown, the cavity **85** is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity **85** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **73** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity **85** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot **88** is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the cavity **85** in a direction away from a longitudinal axis **89** of the base member **75**. As shown, the slot **88** may be positioned at or proximate to the first end **86**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the cavity **85**, provided that the metatarsal articulation member **76** is correspondingly adapted. Moreover, it is also contemplated that the first end **84** of the base member **75** may alternatively be non-continuous and partially shared with the first end **86** of the cavity **85**.

The articulation member **76** of the metatarsal component **73** comprises a head portion **90**, a stem **93**, and an integral slot **95**. The head portion **90** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **91** and a proximal surface **92** opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface **92** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **91** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem **93** protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface **92**, terminates at a proximal end **94**, and is adapted to be received within the cavity **85** of the base member **75**. When so received, the proximal surface **92** abuts the second end **83** of the base member **75**. It is also contemplated that the proximal surface **92** could be spaced from the second end **83** when so received. As shown, the stem **93** is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the stem **93** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **73** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a stem **93** may have a cross-section selected from

generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot **95** is integrated with and formed in a direction towards a longitudinal axis **96** of the metatarsal articulation member **76** around all or a portion of the stem **93**, and it is adapted to receive a portion of the locking member **77**. As shown, the slot **95** may be positioned at or proximate to the proximal end **94**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the stem **93**, provided that the base member **75** is correspondingly adapted. The stem **93** and slot **95** are adapted to fit within the cavity **85** of the base member **75** such that both slots **88**, **95** are aligned to each receive a portion and together receive the whole of the locking member **77**.

The locking member **77** is a resilient spring member having at least a first and a second configuration (not shown) and is adapted to be received within both slots **88**, **95** to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member **76** with the base member **75**. In some embodiments, the metatarsal articulation member **76** and the base member **75** are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. As shown, the locking member **77** is non-continuous and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member **77** may alternatively be continuous, have a different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements (including, but not limited to the slots **88**, **95**) of the metatarsal component **76** are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member **77** could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable cross-section. In some embodiments, the locking member **77** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments of assembly, the locking member **77** is flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion through the partially shared second ends **83**, **87** of the base member **75** and cavity **85**; remains in the second configuration as it is advanced along the cavity **85** towards the first end **86**; and upon encountering the slot **88** flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot **88**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member **77** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot **88**.

In some embodiments of assembly, a portion of the locking member **77** is received within the slot **95** of the metatarsal articulating member **76**; the stem **93** of said articulating member **76** is inserted through the shared ends **83**, **87** of the base member **75** and cavity **85** as the locking member **77** flexes from a first to a second configuration; the locking member **77** remains in the second configuration as it and the stem **93** are advanced along the cavity **85** towards the first end **86**; and upon encountering the slot **88** of the base member **75**, the locking member **77** flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot **88**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member **77** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot **88**.

As further illustrated in FIG. 10, the base member **78** of the phalanx component **74** comprises primary **97** and secondary body **98** portions. The primary body portion **97** is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the primary body portion **97** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **74** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a primary body portion **97** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The secondary body portion **98** comprises one or more flanges peripherally

positioned around the primary body portion **97**. As shown, the secondary body portion **98** comprises four flanges equidistantly positioned around the periphery of the primary body portion **97**. Each of said flanges has a generally triangular cross-section, a length approximately two-thirds that of the primary body portion **97**, one end (not labeled) positioned at the second end **99** of the base member **78**, and runs longitudinally along the primary body portion **97**. However, it is contemplated that the secondary body portion **98** may have fewer or more flanges, that the flanges may have another suitable cross-section (for example, generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape), that the flanges may have another suitable length, that the flanges may be suitably spaced or positioned in a different manner, and combinations thereof. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion **98** may be a resilient spring member adapted to be received within the interior cavity of a resected bone, wherein upon insertion into the cavity, the secondary body portion **98** flexes from a first to a second configuration (not shown) that exerts sufficient tension on the bone cavity to fix the base member **78**. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion **98** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

The base member **78** comprises a continuous first end **100**, a non-continuous second end **99**, and a cavity **101** for receiving a portion of the phalanx articulation member **79**. The cavity **101** comprises a first end **102** recessed within the base member **78**, a second end **103** that is partially shared with the second end **99** of the base member **78**, and a peripheral slot **104** for receiving a portion of the locking member **80**. As shown, the cavity **101** is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity **101** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **74** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity **101** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot **104** is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the cavity **101** in a direction away from a longitudinal axis **105** of the base member **78**. As shown, the slot **104** may be positioned at or proximate to the first end **102**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the cavity **101**, provided that the phalanx articulation member **79** is correspondingly adapted. Moreover, it is also contemplated that the first end **100** of the base member **78** may alternatively be non-continuous and partially shared with the first end **102** of the cavity **101**.

The articulation member **79** of the phalanx component **74** comprises a head portion **106**, a stem **109**, and an integral slot **111**. The head portion **106** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **107** and a distal surface **108** opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface **108** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **107** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem **109** protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface **108**, terminates at a distal end **110**, and is adapted to be received within the cavity **101** of the base member **78**. When so received, the distal surface **108** abuts the second end **99** of the base member **78**. It is also contemplated that the distal surface **108** could be spaced from the second end **99** when so received. As shown, the stem **109** is generally conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the stem **109** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section,

or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **74** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a stem **109** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The slot **111** is integrated with and formed around all or a portion of the stem **109** in a direction towards a longitudinal axis **112** of the phalanx articulation member **79**, and it is adapted to receive a portion of the locking member **80**. As shown, the slot **111** may be positioned at or proximate to the distal end **110**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere along the stem **109**, provided that the base member **78** is correspondingly adapted. The stem **109** and slot **111** are adapted to fit within the cavity **101** of the base member **78** such that both slots **104**, **111** are aligned to each receive a portion and together receive the whole of the locking member **80**.

The locking member **80** is a resilient spring member having at least a first and a second configuration (not shown) and is adapted to be received within both slots **104**, **111** to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member **79** with the base member **78**. In some embodiments, the phalanx articulation member **79** and the base member **78** are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. As shown, the locking member **80** is non-continuous and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member **80** may alternatively be continuous, have an different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements (including, but not limited to the slots **104**, **111**) of the phalanx component **74** are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member **80** could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable cross-section. In some embodiments, the locking member **80** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments of assembly, the locking member **80** is flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion through the partially shared second ends **99**, **103** of the base member **78** and cavity **101**; remains in the second configuration as it is advanced along the cavity **101** towards the first end **102**; and upon encountering the slot **104** flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot **104**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member **80** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot **104**.

In some embodiments of assembly, a portion of the locking member **80** is received within the slot **111** of the phalanx articulating member **79**; the stem **109** of said articulating member **79** is inserted through the shared ends **99**, **103** of the base member **78** and cavity **101** as the locking member **80** flexes from a first to a second configuration; the locking member **80** remains in the second configuration as it and the stem **109** are advanced along the cavity **101** towards the first end **102**; and upon encountering the slot **104** of the base member **78**, the locking member **80** flexes from the second to the first configuration as it is received within the slot **104**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the locking member **80** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as it is received within the slot **104**.

Referring to FIGS. **11-19**, illustrated are various examples of implantable devices of the invention which are designed to replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint. Such devices comprise one or more of: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface and a locking member; and a base member adapted to be fixed within the metatarsal bone, the base member comprising a cavity

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adapted to receive the locking member; wherein when the locking member is received by the cavity, the metatarsal articulation member is mechanically joined to the base member; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface and a locking member; and a base member adapted to be fixed within the phalanx bone, the base member comprising a cavity adapted to receive the locking member; wherein when the locking member is received by the cavity, the phalanx articulation member is mechanically joined to the base member.

In those embodiment wherein one of the components is implanted, the chosen component is adapted to cooperatively engage with and move with respect to either the proximal end of the proximal phalanx bone or the distal end of the metatarsal bone. In those embodiments wherein both of the components are implanted, the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

Referring to FIG. 11, illustrated is one example of a two-component implant device 113 comprising a metatarsal component 114 and a phalanx component 115. The metatarsal component 114 is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal component 114 comprises a base member 116 and a metatarsal articulation member 117. The base member 116 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 116 is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, it is designed to be fixed by tension on the interior cavity of the resected bone.

The phalanx component 115 is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component 115 comprises a base member 118 and a phalanx articulation member 119. The base member 118 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 118 is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it is designed to be fixed by tension on the interior cavity of the resected bone.

In some embodiments, one or both of the metatarsal component 114 and the phalanx component 115 are implanted into the human foot to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, one or both components 114, 115 may be implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, one or both components 114, 115 are implanted in a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each component 114, 115 implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components 114, 115 may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 4. In some embodiments, each component 114, 115 and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

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TABLE 4

	Dimension (mm)
Metatarsal	
Base Member Length	22-26
Base Member Outer Diameter Top	7-10
Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	5-7
Cavity Length	5-7
Cavity Width	4-5
Slot Depression Diameter	4
Slot Depression Depth	0.5
Head Portion Diameter	10-13
Head Portion Height	2
Phalanx	
Base Member Length	18-22
Base Member Outer Diameter Top	10-13
Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	6-7
Cavity Length	8-11
Cavity Width	4-5
Slot Depression Diameter	5
Slot Depression Depth	0.5
Head Portion Diameter	10-13
Head Portion Depth	2

A further illustrated in FIG. 12, the base member 116 of the metatarsal component 114 comprises primary 120 and secondary 121 body portions. The primary body portion 120 is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the primary body portion 120 may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 114 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a primary body portion 120 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The secondary body portion 121 comprises one or more flanges peripherally positioned around the primary body portion 120. As shown, the secondary body portion 121 comprises four flanges equidistantly positioned around the periphery of the primary body portion 120. Each of said flanges has a generally triangular cross-section, a length approximately half that of the primary body portion 120, one end (not labeled) positioned at the second end 123 of the base member 116, and runs longitudinally along the primary body portion 120. However, it is contemplated that the secondary body portion 121 may have fewer or more flanges, that the flanges may have another suitable cross-section (for example, generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape), that the flanges may have another suitable length, that the flanges may be suitably spaced or positioned in a different manner, and combinations thereof. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion 121 may be a resilient spring member adapted to be received within the interior cavity of a resected bone, wherein upon insertion into the cavity, the secondary body portion 121 flexes from a first to a second configuration (not shown) that exerts sufficient tension on the cavity to fix the base member 116. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion 121 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

The base member 116 comprises a continuous first end 122, a non-continuous second end 123, and a cavity 124 for receiving a portion of the metatarsal articulation member 117. The cavity 124 comprises a first end 125 recessed within the base member 116, a second end 126 that is partially shared with the second end 123 of the base member 116, and a slot 127 for receiving a portion of a locking member 131. As shown, the cavity 124 has a generally rectangular cross-section.

tion. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity **124** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **114** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity **124** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. As shown, the second end **126** of the cavity **124** is generally rectangular in shape. However, it is also contemplated that it may have another suitable shape, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **114** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. The slot **127** is integrated with the first end **125** and formed in a direction towards the first end **122** of the base member **116**. As shown, the slot **127** may be positioned at or proximate to the center (not shown) of the first end **125**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere on the first end **125**, provided that the metatarsal articulation member **117** is correspondingly adapted.

The articulation member **117** of the metatarsal component **114** comprises a head portion **128** and a locking member **131**. The head portion **128** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **129** and a proximal surface **130** opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface **130** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **129** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The locking member **131** protrudes proximally from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface **130**, terminates at a proximal end **132**, and is adapted to be received within the cavity **124** of the base member **116**. When so received, the proximal surface **130** abuts the second end **123** of the base member **116**, and the proximal end **132** is locked within the slot **127**.

The locking member **131** comprises a neck portion **133** abutting the proximal surface **130** of the metatarsal articulation member **117**, a body portion **134** positioned between the neck portion **133** and the proximal end **132**, and the proximal end **132**. As shown, each of the neck portion **133** and body portion **134** has a generally rectangular cross-section, wherein the rectangular cross-section of the neck portion **133** has at least one of length, width, and height that is smaller than that of the rectangular cross-section of the body portion **134**. It is, however, contemplated that the neck portion **133** and body portion **134** of a locking member **131** may have another suitable cross-section, dimension, or combination thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **114** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, the neck portion **133** and body portion **134** could alternatively have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, circular, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the proximal end **132** has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the proximal end **132** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **114** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a proximal end **132** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The proximal end **132** is adapted to fit within the slot **127** of the cavity **124** of the base member **116**.

In some embodiments, at least one of the locking member **131** and the second ends **123**, **126** is suitably resilient such that the locking member **131** may be received within the cavity **124** and the proximal end **132** received within the slot **127** to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member **117** with the base member **116**. In some embodiments, one or more of the locking member **131** and second ends **123**, **126** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments, the metatarsal articulation member **117** and the base member **116** are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. In some embodiments of assembly, the second ends **123**, **126** may be flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion of the locking member **131** into the cavity **124**; remain in the second configuration as the locking member **131** is advanced within the cavity **124**; and upon the proximal end **132** encountering the slot **127** flexes from the second to the first configuration as the proximal end **132** is received within the slot **127**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the second ends **123**, **126** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the proximal end **132** is received within the slot **127**.

As further illustrated in FIG. **13**, the base member **118** of the phalanx component **115** comprises primary **135** and secondary **136** body portions. The primary body portion **135** is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the primary body portion **135** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **115** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a primary body portion **135** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The secondary body portion **136** comprises one or more flanges peripherally positioned around the primary body portion **135**. As shown, the secondary body portion **136** comprises four flanges equidistantly positioned around the periphery of the primary body portion **135**. Each of said flanges has a generally triangular cross-section, a length approximately half that of the primary body portion **135**, one end (not labeled) positioned at the second end **138** of the base member **118**, and runs longitudinally along the primary body portion **135**. However, it is contemplated that the secondary body portion **136** may have fewer or more flanges, that the flanges may have another suitable cross-section (for example, generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape), that the flanges may have another suitable length, that the flanges may be suitably spaced or positioned in a different manner, and combinations thereof. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion **136** may be a resilient spring member adapted to be received within the interior cavity of a resected bone, wherein upon insertion into the cavity, the secondary body portion **136** flexes from a first to a second configuration (not shown) that exerts sufficient tension on the bone cavity to fix the base member **118**. In some embodiments, the secondary body portion **136** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

The base member **118** comprises a continuous first end **137**, a non-continuous second end **138**, and a cavity **139** for receiving a portion of the phalanx articulation member **119**. The cavity **139** comprises a first end **140** recessed within the base member **118**, a second end **141** that is partially shared with the second end **138** of the base member **118**, and a slot **142** for receiving a portion of a locking member **146**. As shown, the cavity **139** has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity **139** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **115** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity **139** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. As shown, the second end **140** of the cavity **139** is generally rectangular in shape. However, it is also contemplated that it may have another suitable shape, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **115** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. The slot **142** is inte-

grated with the first end 140 and formed in a direction towards the first end 137 of the base member 118. As shown, the slot 142 may be positioned at or proximate to the center (not shown) of the first end 140, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere on the first end 140, provided that the phalanx articulation member 119 is correspondingly adapted.

The articulation member 119 of the phalanx component 115 comprises a head portion 143 and a locking member 146. The head portion 143 comprises a substantially concave bearing surface 144 and a distal surface 145 opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface 145 is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface 144 is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The locking member 146 protrudes distally from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface 145, terminates at a distal end 147, and is adapted to be received within the cavity 139 of the base member 118. When so received, the distal surface 145 abuts the second end 138 of the base member 118, and the distal end 147 is locked within the slot 142.

The locking member 146 comprises a neck portion 148 abutting the distal surface 145 of the phalanx articulation member 119, a body portion 149 positioned between the neck portion 148 and the distal end 147, and the distal end 147. As shown, each of the neck portion 148 and body portion 149 has a generally rectangular cross-section, wherein the rectangular cross-section of the neck portion 148 has at least one of length, width, and height that is smaller than that of the rectangular cross-section of the body portion 149. It is, however, contemplated that the neck portion 148 and body portion 149 of a locking member 146 may have another suitable cross-section, dimension, or combination thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 115 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, the neck portion 148 and body portion 149 could alternatively have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, circular, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the distal end 147 has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the distal end 147 may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 115 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a distal end 147 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The distal end 147 is adapted to fit within the slot 142 of the cavity 139 of the base member 118.

In some embodiments, at least one of the locking member 146 and the second ends 138, 141 is suitably flexible such that the locking member 146 may be received within the cavity 139 and the distal end 147 received within the slot 142 to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member 119 with the base member 118. In some embodiments, one or more of the locking member 146, and the second ends 138, 141 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

In some embodiments, the phalanx articulation member 119 and the base member 118 are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. In some embodiments of operation, the second ends 138, 141 may be flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion of the locking member 146 into the cavity 139, remain in the second configuration as the locking member 146 is advanced within the cavity 139, and upon the distal end 147 encountering the slot 142 flexes from the second to the first configuration as the distal end 147 is received within the slot 142. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the second ends

138, 141 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the distal end 147 is received within the slot 142.

Referring to FIGS. 14-16, illustrated is another example of a two-component implant 150 comprising a metatarsal component 151 and a phalanx component 152. The metatarsal component 151 is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal component 151 comprises a base member 153 and a metatarsal articulation member 154. The base member 153 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 153 is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

The phalanx component 152 is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component 152 comprises a base member 155 and a phalanx articulation member 156. The base member 155 may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member 155 is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

In some embodiments, one or both of the metatarsal component 151 and the phalanx component 152 are implanted into the human foot to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, one or both components 151, 152 may be implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, one or both components 151, 152 are implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each component 151, 152 implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components 151, 152 may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 5. In some embodiments, each component 151, 152 and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

TABLE 5

	Dimension (mm)
Metatarsal	
Base Member Length	22-26
Base Member Outer Diameter Top	7-10
Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	7-10
Cavity Length	5-8
Cavity Width	4-5
Slot Depression Diameter	5
Slot Depression Depth	0.5
Head Portion Diameter	10-13
Head Portion Height	2
Phalanx	
Base Member Length	18-22
Base Member Outer Diameter Top	10-13
Base Member Outer Diameter Bottom	10-13

TABLE 5-continued

	Dimension (mm)
Cavity Length	8-11
Cavity Width	4-5
Slot Depression Diameter	5
Slot Depression Depth	0.5
Head Portion Diameter	10-13
Head Portion Depth	2

A further illustrated in FIG. 15, the base member 153 of the metatarsal component 151 is cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the base member 153 may alternatively be non-cylindrical, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 151 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member 153 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member 153 comprises a continuous first end 157, a non-continuous second end 158, and a cavity 159 for receiving a portion of the metatarsal articulation member 154. The cavity 159 comprises a first end 160 recessed within the base member 153, a second end 161 that is partially shared with the second end 158 of the base member 153, and a slot 162 for receiving a portion of a locking member 166. As shown, the cavity 159 has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity 159 may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 151 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity 159 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the second end 160 of the cavity 159 is generally rectangular in shape. However, it is also contemplated that it may have another suitable shape, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 151 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. The slot 162 is integrated with the first end 160 and formed in a direction towards the first end 157 of the base member 153. As shown, the slot 162 may be positioned at or proximate to the center (not shown) of the first end 160, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere on the first end 160, provided that the metatarsal articulation member 154 is correspondingly adapted.

The articulation member 154 of the metatarsal component 151 comprises a head portion 163 and a locking member 166. The head portion 163 comprises a substantially convex bearing surface 164 and a proximal surface 165 opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface 165 is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface 164 is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The locking member 166 protrudes proximally from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface 165, terminates at a proximal end 167, and is adapted to be received within the cavity 159 of the base member 153. When so received, the proximal surface 165 abuts the second end 158 of the base member 153, and the proximal end 167 is locked within the slot 162.

The locking member 166 comprises a neck portion 168 abutting the proximal surface 165 of the metatarsal articulation member 154, a body portion 169 positioned between the neck portion 168 and the proximal end 167, and the proximal end 167. As shown, each of the neck portion 168 and body portion 169 has a generally rectangular cross-section, wherein the rectangular cross-section of the neck portion 168

has at least one of length, width, and height that is smaller than that of the rectangular cross-section of the body portion 169. It is, however, contemplated that the neck portion 168 and body portion 169 of a locking member 166 may have another suitable cross-section, dimension, or combination thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 151 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, the neck portion 168 and body portion 169 could alternatively have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, circular, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the proximal end 167 has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the proximal end 167 may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component 151 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a proximal end 167 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The proximal end 167 is adapted to fit within the slot 162 of the cavity 159 of the base member 153.

In some embodiments, at least one of the locking member 166 and the second ends 158, 161 is suitably flexible such that the locking member 166 may be received within the cavity 159 and the proximal end 167 received within the slot 162 to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member 154 with the base member 153. In some embodiments, one or more of the locking member 166 and the second ends 158, 161 may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants. In some embodiments, the metatarsal articulation member 154 and the base member 153 are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. In some embodiments of assembly, the second ends 158, 161 may be flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion of the locking member 166 into the cavity 159; remain in the second configuration as the locking member 166 is advanced within the cavity 159; and upon the proximal end 167 encountering the slot 162 flexes from the second to the first configuration as the proximal end 167 is received within the slot 162. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the second ends 158, 161 may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the proximal end 167 is received within the slot 162.

A further illustrated in FIG. 16, the base member 155 of the phalanx component 152 is cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the base member 155 may alternatively be non-cylindrical, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 152 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member 155 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member 155 comprises a continuous first end 170, a non-continuous second end 171, and a cavity 172 for receiving a portion of the phalanx articulation member 156. The cavity 172 comprises a first end 173 recessed within the base member 155, a second end 174 that is partially shared with the second end 171 of the base member 155, and a slot 175 for receiving a portion of a locking member 179. As shown, the cavity 172 has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity 172 may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 152 are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity 172 may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. As shown, the second end 174 of the cavity 172 is generally rectangular in shape. However, it is also contemplated that it may have another suitable shape, provided that other elements of the phalanx component 152

are also adapted to fit such alternatives. The slot **175** is integrated with the first end **173** and formed in a direction towards the first end **170** of the base member **155**. As shown, the slot **175** may be positioned at or proximate to the center (not shown) of the first end **173**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere on the first end **173**, provided that the phalanx articulation member **156** is correspondingly adapted.

The articulation member **156** of the phalanx component **152** comprises a head portion **176** and a locking member **179**. The head portion **176** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **177** and a distal surface **178** opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface **178** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **177** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The locking member **179** protrudes distally from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface **178**, terminates at a distal end **180**, and is adapted to be received within the cavity **172** of the base member **155**. When so received, the distal surface **178** abuts the second end **171** of the base member **155**, and the distal end **180** is locked within the slot **175**.

The locking member **179** comprises a neck portion **181** abutting the distal surface **178** of the phalanx articulation member **156**, a body portion **182** positioned between the neck portion **181** and the distal end **180**, and the distal end **180**. As shown, each of the neck portion **181** and body portion **182** has a generally rectangular cross-section, wherein the rectangular cross-section of the neck portion **181** has at least one of length, width, and height that is smaller than that of the rectangular cross-section of the body portion **182**. It is, however, contemplated that the neck portion **181** and body portion **182** of a locking member **179** may have another suitable cross-section, dimension, or combination thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **152** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, the neck portion **181** and body portion **182** could alternatively have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, circular, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the distal end **180** has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the distal end **180** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **152** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a distal end **180** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The distal end **180** is adapted to fit within the slot **175** of the cavity **172** of the base member **155**.

In some embodiments, at least one of the locking member **179** and the second ends **171**, **174** is suitably flexible such that the locking member **179** may be received within the cavity **172** and the distal end **180** received within the slot **172** to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member **156** with the base member **155**. In some embodiments, one or more of the locking member **179** and the second ends **171**, **174** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants. In some embodiments, the phalanx articulation member **156** and the base member **155** are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. In some embodiments of assembly, the second ends **171**, **174** may be flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion of the locking member **179** into the cavity **172**; remain in the second configuration as the locking member **179** is advanced within the cavity **172**; and upon the distal end **180** encountering the slot **175** flexes from the second to the first configuration as the distal end **180** is received within the

slot **175**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the second ends **171**, **174** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the distal end **180** is received within the slot **175**.

Referring to FIGS. **17-19**, illustrated is another example of a two-component device **183** comprising a metatarsal component **184** and a phalanx component **185**. The metatarsal component **184** is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal component **184** comprises a base member **186** and a metatarsal articulation member **187**. The base member **186** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member **186** is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

The phalanx component **185** is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component **185** comprises a base member **188** and a phalanx articulation member **189**. The base member **188** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member **188** is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

In some embodiments, one or both of the metatarsal component **184** and the phalanx component **185** are implanted into the human foot to replace all or a portion of the metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, one or both components **184**, **185** may be implanted in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, one or both components **184**, **185** are implanted in a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each component **184**, **185** implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components **184**, **185** may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 4. In some embodiments, each component **184**, **185** and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

A further illustrated in FIG. **18**, the base member **186** of the metatarsal component **184** is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the base member **186** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **184** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member **186** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member **186** comprises a continuous first end **190**, a non-continuous second end **191**, and a cavity **192** for receiving a portion of the metatarsal articulation member **187**. The cavity **192** comprises a first end **193** recessed within the base member **186**, a second end **194** that is partially shared with the second end **191** of the base member **186**, and a slot **195** for receiving a portion of a locking member **199**. As shown, the cavity **192** has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity **192** may alternatively have another

suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **184** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity **192** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the second end **194** of the cavity **192** is generally rectangular in shape. However, it is also contemplated that it may have another suitable shape, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **184** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. The slot **195** is integrated with the first end **193** and formed in a direction towards the first end **190** of the base member **186**. As shown, the slot **195** may be positioned at or proximate to the center (not shown) of the first end **193**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere on the first end **193**, provided that the metatarsal articulation member **187** is correspondingly adapted.

The articulation member **187** of the metatarsal component **184** comprises a head portion **196** and a locking member **199**. The head portion **196** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **197** and a proximal surface **198** opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface **198** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **197** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The locking member **199** protrudes proximally from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface **198**, terminates at a proximal end **200**, and is adapted to be received within the cavity **192** of the base member **186**. When so received, the proximal surface **198** abuts the second end **191** of the base member **186**, and the proximal end **200** is locked within the slot **195**.

The locking member **199** comprises a neck portion **201** abutting the proximal surface **198** of the metatarsal articulation member **187**, a body portion **202** positioned between the neck portion **201** and the proximal end **200**, and the proximal end **200**. As shown, each of the neck portion **201** and body portion **202** has a generally rectangular cross-section, wherein the rectangular cross-section of the neck portion **201** has at least one of length, width, and height that is smaller than that of the rectangular cross-section of the body portion **202**. It is, however, contemplated that the neck portion **201** and body portion **202** of a locking member **199** may have another suitable cross-section, dimension, or combination thereof, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **184** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, the neck portion **201** and body portion **202** could alternatively have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, circular, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the proximal end **200** has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the proximal end **200** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the metatarsal component **184** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a proximal end **200** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The proximal end **200** is adapted to fit within the slot **195** of the cavity **192** of the base member **186**.

In some embodiments, at least one of the locking member **199** and the second ends **191**, **194** is suitably flexible such that the locking member **199** may be received within the cavity **192** and the proximal end **200** received within the slot **195** to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member **187** with the base member **186**. In some embodiments, one or more of the locking member **199** and the second ends **191**, **194** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants. In some embodiments, the metatarsal articulation member **187** and the base member **186** are permanently

joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. In some embodiments of assembly, the second ends **191**, **194** may be flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion of the locking member **199** into the cavity **192**; remain in the second configuration as the locking member **199** is advanced within the cavity **192**; and upon the proximal end **200** encountering the slot **195** flexes from the second to the first configuration as the proximal end **200** is received within the slot **195**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the second ends **191**, **194** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the proximal end **200** is received within the slot **195**.

A further illustrated in FIG. **19**, the base member **188** of the phalanx component **185** is conical or tapered and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the base member **188** may alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **185** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a base member **188** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The base member **188** comprises a continuous first end **203**, a non-continuous second end **204**, and a cavity **205** for receiving a portion of the phalanx articulation member **189**. The cavity **205** comprises a first end **206** recessed within the base member **188**, a second end **207** that is partially shared with the second end **204** of the base member **188**, and a slot **208** for receiving a portion of a locking member **212**. As shown, the cavity **205** has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the cavity **205** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **185** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cavity **205** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. As shown, the second end **207** of the cavity **205** is generally rectangular in shape. However, it is also contemplated that it may have another suitable shape, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **185** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. The slot **208** is integrated with the first end **206** and formed in a direction towards the first end **203** of the base member **188**. As shown, the slot **208** may be positioned at or proximate to the center (not shown) of the first end **206**, but it is also contemplated that it may alternatively be positioned elsewhere on the first end **206**, provided that the phalanx articulation member **189** is correspondingly adapted.

The articulation member **189** of the phalanx component **185** comprises a head portion **209** and a locking member **212**. The head portion **209** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **210** and a distal surface **211** opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface **211** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **210** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The locking member **212** protrudes distally from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface **211**, terminates at a distal end **213**, and is adapted to be received within the cavity **205** of the base member **188**. When so received, the distal surface **211** abuts the second end **204** of the base member **188**, and the distal end **213** is locked within the slot **208**.

The locking member **212** comprises a neck portion **214** abutting the distal surface **211** of the phalanx articulation member **189**, a body portion **215** positioned between the neck portion **214** and the distal end **213**, and the distal end **213**. As shown, each of the neck portion **214** and body portion **215** has a generally rectangular cross-section, wherein the rectangular

cross-section of the neck portion **214** has at least one of length, width, and height that is smaller than that of the rectangular cross-section of the body portion **215**. It is, however, contemplated that the neck portion **214** and body portion **215** of a locking member **212** may have another suitable cross-section, dimension, or combination thereof, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **185** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, the neck portion **214** and body portion **215** could alternatively have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, circular, square, or other suitable shape.

As shown, the distal end **213** has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the distal end **213** may alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the phalanx component **185** are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a distal end **213** may have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape. The distal end **213** is adapted to fit within the slot **208** of the cavity **205** of the base member **188**.

In some embodiments, at least one of the locking member **212** and the second ends **204, 207** is suitably flexible such that the locking member **212** may be received within the cavity **205** and the distal end **213** received within the slot **208** to mechanically join the phalanx articulation member **189** with the base member **188**. In some embodiments, one or more of the locking member **212** and the second ends **204, 207** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants. In some embodiments, the phalanx articulation member **189** and the base member **188** are permanently joined, and as such are effectively a single component of the implantable device. In some embodiments of operation, the second ends **204, 207** may be flexed from a first to a second configuration upon insertion of the locking member **212** into the cavity **205**; remain in the second configuration as the locking member **212** is advanced within the cavity **205**; and upon the distal end **213** encountering the slot **208** flexes from the second to the first configuration as the distal end **213** is received within the slot **208**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that the second ends **204, 207** may flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the distal end **213** is received within the slot **208**.

Referring to FIGS. **20-25**, illustrated are various examples of implantable devices of the invention which are designed to replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint. Such devices comprise one or more of: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface and a cavity adapted to receive at least a portion of a locking member; a base member adapted to be fixed within the metatarsal bone; a locking member adapted to be at least partially received by the cavity; wherein when the locking member is received within the cavity, the metatarsal articulation member is mechanically joined to the base member; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface and a cavity adapted to receive at least a portion of a locking member; a base member adapted to be fixed within the phalanx bone; a locking member adapted to be at least partially received by the cavity; wherein when the locking member is received within the cavity, the phalanx articulation member is mechanically joined to the base member.

In those embodiments wherein one of the components is implanted, the chosen component is adapted to cooperatively engage with and move with respect to either the proximal end

of the proximal phalanx bone or the distal end of the metatarsal bone. In those embodiments wherein both of the components are implanted, the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

Referring to FIG. **20**, illustrated is one example of a device comprising a metatarsal articulation member **216**, a phalanx articulation member **217**, a base member **218**, and a screw member **219**. The base member **218** is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone, the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone, or both. The base member **218** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal and phalanx bones, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member **218** is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone or half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it is designed to be fixed by tension on the interior cavity of the resected bone. When the metatarsal-implanted base member **218** is mechanically joined to the metatarsal articulation member **216**, the device is designed to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. When the phalanx-implanted base member **218** is mechanically joined to the phalanx articulation member **217**, the device is designed to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint.

In some embodiments, the device may be implanted into one or both of the metatarsal and phalanx bones in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, implantation is by a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each device implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the devices may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 6. In some embodiments, each device and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

TABLE 6

Metatarsal and Phalanx	Dimension (mm)
Base Member Length Metatarsal	22-26
Base Member Length Phalange	18-22
Base Member Head Portion Height	5-6
Base Member Head Portion Without Flange	9-10
Base Member Head Portion and Flange Width	10-11
Screw Length Metatarsal	22-26
Screw Length Phalange	18-22
Screw Head Height	2
Screw Head Diameter	9-10
Articulation Member Height (Excluding Bearing Surface)	10
Articulation Member Bearing Surface Diameter	16-22
Bearing Surface Depth	2
Bearing Surface Height	2

A further illustrated in FIG. **21**, the base member **218** comprises a first end **220**, a second end **221** comprising a head portion **222**, a body portion **223**, and a cavity **224** for receiving the screw member **219**. As shown, the first **220** and second **221** ends are non-continuous. The cavity **224** is continuous through the base member **218** from the first end **220** to the

second end **221**. As shown, the cavity **224** and body portion **223** are conical or tapered and have a generally non-continuous cross-section with a generally circular shape. It is, however, contemplated that the cavity **224** and body portion **223** could alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the device are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cross-section could be selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. In some embodiments, the body portion **223** may be a resilient member adapted to be received within the interior cavity of a resected bone, wherein the body portion **223** expands in response to the screw member **219** being received and advanced within the cavity **224** and exerts sufficient tension on the bone cavity to fix the base member **218** therein. In some embodiments, the body portion **223** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

The head portion **222** has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that a head portion **222** could alternatively have another suitable cross-section, provided that other elements of the device are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a head portion **222** could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. The head portion **222** comprises a locking member **225**. In some embodiments, the locking member **225** comprises a pair of flanges, each opposably positioned on the exterior of the head portion **222**. As shown, the flanges are positioned at or proximate to the body portion **223**, are perpendicular to a longitudinal axis **226**, and have a generally rectangular cross-section with at least one of length, width, or height that is the same as that of the cross-section of the head portion **222**. It is also contemplated that the head portion **222** could comprise a locking member **225** with more than one pair of flanges, that the flanges could be alternatively positioned, that the flanges could have a different cross-section or dimension, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the device are also adapted to fit such alternatives. In some embodiments, the flanges are a locking member **225** adapted to mechanically join the metatarsal articulation member **216** or the phalanx articulation member **217** to the base member **218**. The head portion **222** further comprises an interior (female) screw thread **227** along the portion of the cavity **224** formed within the head portion **222**, said screw thread **227** adapted to receive a portion of the screw member **219**.

As shown, the screw member **219** comprises a first end **228**, a second end **229** comprising a head portion **230**, and a body portion **231** comprising an external (male) screw thread **232**. The screw thread **232** is adapted to be at least partially received by the interior screw thread **227** of the base member **218**. The screw member **219** is generally cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the screw member **219** could alternatively be non-cylindrical, have an different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the device are correspondingly adapted. For example, a screw member **219** could be tapered or conical or have a helical cross-section. The head portion **230** of the screw member **219** has a cross-section larger than that of the body portion **231**. Additionally, the head portion **230** comprises a slot **233** centrally positioned on the second end **229**. As shown, the slot **233** has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the slot **233** could alternatively have another suitable cross-section. The screw member **219** is adapted to be received within the cavity **224** of the base member **218**. When the screw member **219** is so received, the head portion **230** abuts the second end **221** of the base member **218**. When so

received, the combination of the screw member **219** and base member **218** is adapted to be at least partially received by the metatarsal articulation member **216**, the phalanx articulation member **217**, or both and mechanically joined by the locking member **225**.

As further illustrated in FIG. **22**, the metatarsal articulation member **216** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **234** and a proximal surface **235** opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface **235** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **234** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal articulation member **216** also comprises a cavity **236** depressed from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface **235** and that is adapted to receive at least a portion of the combination of the screw member **219** and base member **218**. In some embodiments, the cavity **236** is adapted to receive at least a portion of the head portion **222** of the base member **218** and at least a portion of the head portion **230** of the screw member **219** when the screw member **219** is received within the cavity **223** of the base member **218**. The cavity **236** of the metatarsal articulation member **216** comprises a distal portion **237** for receiving at least a portion of the head portion **230** of the screw member **219**, a middle portion **238** for receiving the second end **221** and at least a portion of the head portion **222** of the base member **218**, and a proximal portion **239** for receiving at least a portion of the flanges of the locking member **225**. The distal portion **237** of the cavity **236** has a cross-section that matches that of the head portion **230** of the screw member **219**. As shown, the distal portion **237** has a circular cross-section. The middle portion **238** of the cavity **236** has a cross-section that matches that of the second end **221** and at least a portion of the head portion **222** of the base member **218**. As shown, the middle portion **238** has a rectangular cross-section. The proximal portion **239** of the cavity **236** comprises at least two opposing slots adapted to receive at least a portion of the opposing flanges of the locking member **225**. As shown, the slots of the proximal portion **239** have a rectangular cross-section.

As also illustrated in FIG. **22**, the phalanx articulation member **217** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **240** and a distal surface **241** opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface **241** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **240** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx articulation member **217** also comprises a cavity **242** depressed from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface **241** and that is adapted to receive at least a portion of the combination of the screw member **219** and base member **218**. In some embodiments, the cavity **242** is adapted to receive at least a portion of the head portion **222** of the base member **218** and at least a portion of the head portion **230** of the screw member **219** when the screw member **219** is received within the cavity **223** of the base member **218**. The cavity **242** of the phalanx articulation member **217** comprises a proximal portion **243** for receiving at least a portion of the head portion **230** of the screw member **219**, a middle portion **244** for receiving the second end **221** and at least a portion of the head portion **222** of the base member **218**, and a distal portion **245** for receiving at least a portion of the flanges of the locking member **225**. The proximal portion **243** of the cavity **242** has a cross-section that matches that of the head portion **230** of the screw member **219**. As shown, the distal portion **243** has a circular cross-section. The middle portion **244** of the cavity **242** has a cross-section that matches

that of the second end **221** and at least a portion of the head portion **222** of the base member **218**. As shown, the middle portion **244** has a rectangular cross-section. The distal portion **245** of the cavity **242** comprises at least two opposing slots adapted to receive at least a portion of the opposing flanges of the locking member **225**. As shown, the slots of the distal portion **245** have a rectangular cross-section.

In some embodiments, at least a portion of the metatarsal articulation member **216**, at least a portion of the flanges of the locking member **225**, or combinations thereof are suitably flexible such that the flanges **225** may be received within the proximal portion **239** of the cavity **236** of the articulation member **216** to mechanically join the articulation member **216** with the base member **218**. In some embodiments, at least a portion of the phalanx articulation member **217**, at least a portion of the flanges of the locking member **225**, or combinations thereof are suitably flexible such that the flanges may be received within the distal portion **245** of the cavity **242** of the articulation member **217** to mechanically join the articulation member **217** with the base member **218**.

In some embodiments of assembly, at least the first end **220** and body portion **223** of the base member **218** are first implanted within the resected portion of the bone. Then the first end **228** of the screw member **219** is inserted in and, using a tool that fits the slot **233** of the screw member **219**, screwed through the second end **221** and head portion **222** of the base member **218**, thereby causing the body portion **223** of the base member **218** to expand with sufficient force to fix the base member **218** and screw member **219** within the bone. When so fixed, the head portion **230** of the screw member **219** abuts the second end **221** of the base member **218**. Next, either the metatarsal articulation member **216** or the phalanx articulation member **217** is placed over the combined locking head portion **230**, base second end **221**, and base head portion **222** in an orientation allowing the flanges of the locking member **225** to be received within the slots **239** or **245** of the chosen articulation member **216** or **217**. Finally, sufficient force is applied to the chosen articulation member **216** or **217** to cause at least a portion of the articulation member **216** or **217**, the locking member **225**, or combinations thereof to resiliently flex from a first to a second position to allow the flanges to be received within the slots **239** or **245**, and then from a second to a first position as the flanges are received within the slots **239** or **245**. Alternatively, it is contemplated that at least a portion of the articulation member **216** or **217**, the locking member **225**, or combinations thereof may resiliently flex from the second to an intermediate third configuration as the flanges are received within the slots **239** or **245**. When the flanges are received within the slots **239** or **245**, the chosen articulation member **216** or **217** is mechanically joined to the base member **218**. In some embodiments, the chosen articulation member **216** or **217** is permanently joined to the base member **218**.

Referring to FIGS. **23-25**, illustrated is one example of a device comprising a metatarsal articulation member **246**, a phalanx articulation member **247**, a base member **248**, and a locking member **249**. The device may be utilized as a single (hemi) component implant or as a two-component (total) implant. The base member **248** is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone, the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone, or both. The base member **248** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal and phalanx bones, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the base member **248** is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone or half of the length of the phalanx bone. In

some embodiments, it is designed to be fixed by tension on the interior cavity of the resected bone. When the metatarsal-implanted base member **248** is mechanically joined to the metatarsal articulation member **246** with the locking member **249**, the device is designed to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. When the phalanx-implanted base member **248** is mechanically joined to the phalanx articulation member **247** with the locking member **249**, the device is designed to replace all or a portion of the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint.

In some embodiments, the device may be implanted into one or both of the metatarsal and phalanx bones in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, implantation is by a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each device implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the devices may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 7. In some embodiments, each device and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

TABLE 7

Metatarsal and Phalanx	Dimension (mm)
Base Member Length Metatarsal	22-26
Base Member Length Phalange	18-22
Locking Member Length Metatarsal	22-26
Locking Member Length Phalange	18-22
Locking Member Head Height	2
Locking Member Head Diameter	9-10
Articulation Member Height (Excluding Bearing Surface)	10
Articulation Member Dome Diameter	16-22
Phalanx Bearing Surface Depth	2
Metatarsal Bearing Surface Height	2

A further illustrated in FIG. **24**, the base member **248** comprises a first end **250**, a second end **251** comprising a head portion **252**, a body portion **253**, and a cavity **254** for receiving the locking member **249**. As shown, the first **250** and second **251** ends are non-continuous. The cavity **254** is continuous through the base member **248** from the first end **250** to the second end **251**. As shown, the cavity **254** and body portion **253** are conical or tapered and have a generally non-continuous cross-section with a generally circular shape. It is, however, contemplated that the cavity **254** and body portion **253** could alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the device are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a cross-section could be selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. In some embodiments, the body portion **253** may be a resilient member adapted to be received within the interior cavity of a resected bone, wherein the body portion **253** expands in response to the locking member **249** being received and advanced through the cavity **254** and exerts sufficient tension on the cavity of the bone to fix the base member **248** therein. In some embodiments, the body portion **253** may comprise a resilient material suitable for surgical implants.

The head portion **252** has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that a head portion **252** could alternatively have another suitable cross-section, pro-

vided that other elements of the device are also adapted to fit such alternatives. For example, a head portion **252** could have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, or other suitable shape. The head portion **252** also comprises an interior (female) screw thread **255** along the portion of the cavity **254** formed within the head portion **252**, said screw thread **255** adapted to receive a portion of the locking member **249**.

As shown, the locking member **249** is a screw member comprising a first end **256**, a second end **257** comprising a head portion **258**, and a body portion **259** comprising an external (male) screw thread **260**. The screw thread **260** is adapted to be at least partially received by the interior screw thread **255** of the base member **248**. The locking member **249** is generally cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member **249** could alternatively be non-cylindrical, have a different cross-section, or combinations thereof, provided that other elements of the device are correspondingly adapted. For example, a locking member **249** could be tapered or conical or have a helical cross-section. The head portion **258** of the locking member **249** has a cross-section larger than that of the body portion **259**. Additionally, the head portion **258** comprises a slot **261** centrally positioned on the second end **257** and an external (male) screw thread **262**. The screw thread **262** is adapted to be at least partially received by a portion of the metatarsal articulation member **246**, phalanx articulation member **247**, or both. As shown, the slot **261** has a generally rectangular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the slot **261** could alternatively have another suitable cross-section. The locking member **249** is adapted to be received within the cavity **254** of the base member **248**. When the locking member **249** is so received, the head portion **258** abuts the second end **251** of the base member **248**. It is also contemplated that the head portion **258** could be spaced from the second end **251** when so received. The combination of the locking member **249** and base member **248** is adapted to be at least partially received by the metatarsal articulation member **246**, the phalanx articulation member **247**, or both.

As further illustrated in FIG. **25**, the metatarsal articulation member **246** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **263** and a proximal surface **264** opposite thereto. As shown, the proximal surface **264** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **263** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The metatarsal articulation member **246** also comprises a cavity **265** depressed from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface **264**. The cavity **265** comprises an interior (female) screw thread **266** adapted to receive at least a portion of the external screw thread **262** of the head portion **258** of the locking member **249**. In some embodiments, all of the head portion **258** may be received within the cavity **265**. The cavity **265** has a cross-section that matches that of the head portion **258** of the locking member **249**. As shown, the cavity **265** has a circular cross-section.

As additionally illustrated in FIG. **25**, the phalanx articulation member **247** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **267** and a distal surface **268** opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface **268** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. The bearing surface **267** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx articulation member **247** also comprises a cavity **269** depressed from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface **268**. The cavity **269** com-

prises an interior (female) screw thread **270** adapted to receive at least a portion of the external screw thread **262** of the head portion **258** of the locking member **249**. In some embodiments, all of the head portion **258** may be received within the cavity **269**. The cavity **269** has a cross-section that matches that of the head portion **258** of the locking member **249**. As shown, the cavity **269** has a circular cross-section.

In some embodiments of assembly, at least the first end **250** and body portion **253** of the base member **248** are first implanted within the resected portion of the bone. Then the first end **256** of the locking member **249** is inserted in and, using a tool that fits the slot **261** of the locking member **249**, screwed through the second end **251** and head portion **252** of the base member **248**, thereby causing the body portion **253** of the base member **248** to expand with sufficient force to fix the base member **248** and locking member **249** within the bone cavity. When so fixed, the head portion **258** of the locking member **249** abuts or is proximate to the second end **251** of the base member **248**. Next, either the metatarsal articulation member **246** or the phalanx articulation member **247** is placed over the head portion **258** of the locking member **249** such that the head portion **258** may be received within the cavity **265** or **269** of the chosen articulation member **246** or **247**. Finally, the chosen articulation member **246** or **247** is screwed onto the head portion **258** of the locking member **249** to mechanically join the articulation member chosen **246** or **247** with the base member **248**.

Referring to FIGS. **26-27**, illustrated is an example of an implantable device of the invention which is designed to replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint. Such device comprises one or more of: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; and a locking member comprising a screw thread adapted to fix the metatarsal component in the metatarsal bone; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; and a locking member comprising a screw thread adapted to fix the phalanx component in the phalanx bone.

In those embodiments wherein one of the components is implanted, the chosen component is adapted to cooperatively engage with and move with respect to either the proximal end of the proximal phalanx bone or the distal end of the metatarsal bone. In those embodiments wherein both of the components are implanted, the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

As illustrated in FIG. **26**, the two-component device **271** comprises a metatarsal component **272** designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone, and a phalanx component **273** designed to be implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone. The metatarsal component **272** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the metatarsal component **272** is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. The phalanx component **273** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the phalanx component **273** is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone.

In some embodiments, the components **272**, **273** may be implanted into one or both of the metatarsal and phalanx bones in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, implantation is by a primary arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each device implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components **272**, **273** may comprise one or more dimensions set forth in Table 8. In some embodiments, each device and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

TABLE 8

Metatarsal and Phalanx	Dimension (mm)
Total Length Metatarsal	22-26
Total Length Phalange	18-22
Locking Member Length Metatarsal	22-26
Locking Member Length Phalange	18-22
Locking Member Head Height	2
Screw Head Diameter	10-13
Articulation Member Height (Excluding Bearing Surface)	10
Phalanx Bearing Surface Depth	3
Metatarsal Bearing Surface Height	3

As further illustrated in FIG. **27**, the metatarsal component **272** comprises a first end **274**, a second end **275** comprising a metatarsal articulation member **276**, and a locking member **277** comprising an external (male) screw thread **278**. The screw thread **278** is adapted to be at least partially received within, and fix the metatarsal component **272** to, a resected distal end of a metatarsal bone. The locking member **277** is generally cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member **277** could alternatively be non-cylindrical, have a different cross-section, or combinations thereof. For example, a locking member **277** could be tapered or conical or have a helical cross-section. The articulation member **276** of the metatarsal component **272** has a cross-section larger than that of the locking member **277**. Additionally, the metatarsal articulation member **276** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **279**. The bearing surface **279** is adapted to emulate the general shape and, when implanted into the resected metatarsal bone, function of the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint.

As additionally illustrated in FIG. **27**, the phalanx component **273** comprises a first end **280**, a second end **281** comprising a phalanx articulation member **282**, and a locking member **283** comprising an external (male) screw thread **284**. The screw thread **284** is adapted to be at least partially received within, and fix the phalanx component **273** to, a resected proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone. The locking member **283** is generally cylindrical and has a generally circular cross-section. However, it is also contemplated that the locking member **283** could alternatively be non-cylindrical, have a different cross-section, or combinations thereof. For example, a locking member **283** could be tapered or conical or have a helical cross-section. The articulation member **282** of the phalanx component **273** has a cross-section larger than that of the locking member **283**. Additionally, the phalanx articulation member **282** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **285**. The bearing surface **285** is adapted to emulate the general shape and, when implanted

into the resected proximal phalanx bone, function of the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint.

In some embodiments of operation, at least the first end **274** and locking member **277** of the metatarsal component **272** are inserted in and screwed into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, at least all of the locking member **277** is screwed into the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, all of the locking member **277** and at least a portion of the metatarsal articulation member **276** are implanted into the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, a portion (“screw head”) of the metatarsal articulation member **276** proximate to the locking member **277** may be received within the resected bone. In some embodiments of operation, at least the first end **280** and locking member **283** of the phalanx component **273** are inserted in and screwed into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone. In some embodiments, at least all of the locking member **283** is screwed into the proximal phalanx bone. In some embodiments, all of the locking member **283** and at least a portion of the phalanx articulation member **282** are implanted into the proximal phalanx bone. In some embodiments, a portion (“screw head”) of the phalanx articulation member **282** proximate to the locking member **283** may be received within the resected bone.

Referring to FIGS. **28-30**, illustrated is an example of an implantable device of the invention which is designed to replace all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint. Such device comprises one or more of: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex parabolic bearing surface terminating at equidistantly positioned ends; and (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface.

In those embodiments wherein one of the components is implanted, the chosen component is adapted to cooperatively engage with and move with respect to either the proximal end of the proximal phalanx bone or the distal end of the metatarsal bone. In those embodiments wherein both of the components are implanted, the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are adapted to cooperatively engage such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx articulation member move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint.

As illustrated, the two-component device **286** comprises a metatarsal component **287** and a phalanx component **288**. The metatarsal component **287** is designed to be implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone to replace all or a portion of the metatarsal head and function as the metatarsal component of the metatarsophalangeal joint. The phalanx component **288** is designed to be implanted into the proximal end of the proximal phalanx and function as the phalanx component of the metatarsophalangeal joint.

In some embodiments, the components **287**, **288** may be implanted into one or both of the metatarsal and phalanx bones in a primary resectional arthroplasty procedure, in a revision arthroplasty procedure performed to replace or compensate for a failed implant, or combinations thereof. In some embodiments, implantation is by a revision arthroplasty procedure. In some embodiments, each device implanted may be selected from small, medium, or large sizes as necessary to approximate the anatomy of the subject. In some embodiments, the components **287**, **288** may comprise one or more of

the dimensions set forth in Table 9. In some embodiments, each device and elements thereof may be customized to the anatomy of the subject.

TABLE 9

	Dimension (mm)
Metatarsal	
Stem Length	10-11
Stem Diameter	5-6
Articulation Member Width	18-19
Articulation Member Diameter	12-14
Phalanx	
Stem Length	10-11
Stem Diameter	5-6
Articulation Member Height	16-18
Articulation Member Width	20-21
Articulation Member Diameter	12-14

In some embodiments, the material of composition of the components **287**, **288** is pyrocarbon. In some embodiments, the material of composition is pyrocarbon having a coating to enhance bone growth. In some embodiments, the coating is titanium plasma spray.

As further illustrated in FIG. **29**, the metatarsal component **287** comprises a metatarsal articulation member **289**, a stem **290**, and a proximal end **291**. The metatarsal articulation member **289** comprises a substantially convex bearing surface **292** having a parabolic cross-section and a proximal surface **293** opposite thereto. In some embodiments, the proximal surface **293** has a semi-circular cross-section. However, alternative cross-sections are also contemplated. For example, semi-elliptical, semi-oval, or parabolic cross-sections. In some embodiments, the convex bearing surface **292** and proximal surface **293** comprise shared ends **294** that are equidistantly positioned with respect to each other. In some embodiments, the ends **294** are equidistantly position with respect to each other and the stem **290**. The bearing surface **292** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function as the head portion of the metatarsal bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint.

The stem **290** protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the proximal surface **293**, terminates at the proximal end **291**, and is adapted to be received within a resected metatarsal bone. As shown, the stem **290** is conical or tapered and has a circular cross-section. In some embodiments, the stem **290** is tapered and has a taper angle of from about 0-10°. However, it is also contemplated that the stem **290** could alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof. For example, a stem **290** could be cylindrical, have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape, or combinations thereof. The stem **290** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the metatarsal bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the stem **290** is designed to be implanted in approximately one third of the length of the metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

In some embodiments of operation, the proximal end **291** and at least a portion of the stem **290** of the metatarsal component **287** are implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone. In some embodiments of operation, the proximal end **291** and the entire stem **290** are implanted such that the proximal surface **293** abuts the distal end of the resected metatarsal bone. In some embodiments, the metatar-

sal component **287** is designed to be implanted without a washer or other spacer means between the proximal surface **293** and the bone.

As further illustrated in FIG. **30**, the phalanx component **288** comprises a phalanx articulation member **295**, a stem **296**, and a distal end **297**. The phalanx articulation member **295** comprises a substantially concave bearing surface **298** and a distal surface **299** opposite thereto. As shown, the distal surface **299** is generally planar, but it is also contemplated that it could be non-planar. Moreover, as shown, the phalanx articulation member **295** has a generally elliptical cross-section. It is contemplated, however, that it could have another suitable cross-section, provided that the metatarsal component **287** is correspondingly adapted to enable cooperative engagement. The bearing surface **298** is adapted to emulate the general shape and function as the proximal portion of the proximal phalanx bone within a metatarsophalangeal joint. The stem **296** protrudes from the center (not labeled) of the distal surface **299**, terminates at the distal end **297**, and is adapted to be received within a resected proximal phalanx bone. As shown, the stem **296** is conical or tapered and has a circular cross-section. In some embodiments, the stem **296** is tapered and has a taper angle of from about 0-10°. However, it is also contemplated that the stem **296** could alternatively be non-conical or non-tapered, have another suitable cross-section, or combinations thereof. For example, a stem **296** could be cylindrical, have a cross-section selected from generally elliptical, square, triangular, or other suitable shape, or combinations thereof. The stem **296** may be of any suitable length and dimension to allow for fixation within the phalanx bone, and may be fixed by any medically suitable means. In some embodiments, the stem **296** is designed to be implanted in approximately half of the length of the phalanx bone. In some embodiments, it may be fixed with bone cement.

In some embodiments of operation, the distal end **297** and at least a portion of the stem **296** of the phalanx component **288** are implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone. In some embodiments of operation, the distal end **297** and the entire stem **296** are implanted such that the distal surface **299** abuts the proximal end of the resected proximal phalanx bone. In some embodiments, the phalanx component **288** is designed to be implanted without a washer or other spacer means between the distal surface **299** and the bone.

In various embodiments, provided are methods of treating hallux valgus, comprising replacing all or a portion of a metatarsophalangeal joint with implantable devices selected from: (i) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; (ii) a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface; or (iii) a metatarsal component for surgical implantation into the distal end of a metatarsal bone, comprising a metatarsal articulation member comprising a substantially convex bearing surface; and a phalanx component for surgical implantation into the proximal end of a proximal phalanx bone, comprising a phalanx articulation member comprising a substantially concave bearing surface. In some embodiments, the provided methods may be used to correct one or more of the hallus valgus angle and the intermetatarsal angle. In some embodiments, the provided methods may be used to provide a subject with alignment and articulation of the metatarsal and proximal phalanx bones in a manner consistent with that of a natural metatarsophalangeal joint. In some embodiments, the provided

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methods may be performed without complex assembly, positioning, or other manipulation of the implant device by the surgeon. In some embodiments, one or more of the devices illustrated in FIGS. 2-30 and further described herein may be utilized with the provided methods.

What is claimed is:

1. An implantable device, comprising:

(i) a metatarsal component configured to be surgically implanted into the distal end of a resected metatarsal bone, comprising:

an articulation member comprising (a) a head portion having a substantially convex bearing surface and a second surface opposite thereto; and (b) a locking member protruding from the second surface in a direction opposite to the bearing surface and terminating at an end portion;

a base member configured to be fixed within the resected metatarsal bone, the base member comprising (a) a continuous first end; (b) a discontinuous second end opposite thereto; and (c) a cavity configured to receive the locking member, the cavity having a first end recessed within the base member, an opposing second end partially shared with the discontinuous second end of the base member, and a slot integrated into the first end of the cavity;

wherein the metatarsal component is configured such that when the articulation member and the base member are mechanically joined, the locking member is disposed within the cavity such that the second surface of the articulation member abuts the second end of the base member, and the end portion of the locking member is locked within the slot; and

(ii) a phalanx component configured to be surgically implanted into the proximal end of a resected proximal phalanx bone, comprising:

an articulation member comprising (a) a head portion having a substantially concave bearing surface and a second surface opposite thereto; and (b) a locking member protruding from the second surface in a direction opposite to the bearing surface and terminating at an end portion;

a base member configured to be fixed within the resected proximal phalanx bone, the base member comprising (a) a continuous first end; (b) a discontinuous second end opposite thereto; and (c) a cavity configured to receive the locking member, the cavity having a first end recessed within the base member, an opposing second end partially shared with the discontinuous second end of the base member, and a slot integrated into the first end of the cavity;

wherein the phalanx component is configured such that when the articulation member and the base member are mechanically joined, the locking member is disposed within the cavity such that the second surface of the articulation member abuts the second end of the base member, and the end portion of the locking member is locked within the slot;

wherein the metatarsal component and the phalanx component are configured to cooperatively engage when implanted such that the metatarsal articulation member and the phalanx

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articulation member may move with respect to each other and collectively serve as a prosthetic metatarsophalangeal joint;

wherein the base member of the metatarsal component, the base member of the phalanx component, or both comprise one or more peripherally positioned flanges running longitudinally along at least a portion of the base member, each flange configured to be received within a cavity of a resected bone, wherein the flanges are flexible spring members that, when inserted into the bone cavity, exert sufficient tension to fix the base member within the bone;

wherein each of the flanges comprise:

at least one upper surface positioned proximate the discontinuous second end of the base member and angled directionally outward from the discontinuous second end towards the continuous first end;

at least one side surface connected to and extending a distance from the upper surface towards the continuous first end of the base member,

wherein the upper surface of the flange is partially non-contacted with the articulation member when the articulation member and the base member are mechanically joined.

2. A device according to claim 1, wherein the base member of the metatarsal component, the base member of the phalanx component, or both, have a shape selected from cylindrical, conical, or tapered.

3. A device according to claim 1, comprising four equidistantly positioned flanges.

4. A device according to claim 1, wherein each flange has a triangular cross-section and one end positioned in the same plane as the discontinuous second end of the base member.

5. A device according to claim 1, wherein the metatarsal articulation member comprises a neck portion abutting the second surface of the head portion, and a body portion positioned between the neck portion and the end portion.

6. A device according to claim 5, wherein the body portion of the metatarsal articulation member has a square or rectangular shape, and the cavity of the metatarsal base member has a corresponding shape.

7. A device according to claim 6, wherein the end portion of the metatarsal locking member and the slot of the metatarsal base member cavity have a circular cross-section.

8. A device according to claim 1, wherein the phalanx articulation member comprises a neck portion abutting the second surface of the head portion, and a body portion positioned between the neck portion and the end portion.

9. A device according to claim 8, wherein the body portion of the phalanx articulation member has a square or rectangular shape, and the cavity of the phalanx base member has a corresponding shape.

10. A device according to claim 9, wherein the end portion of the phalanx locking member and the slot of the phalanx base member cavity have a circular cross-section.

11. A device according to claim 1, comprising a material of composition selected from ultra-high molecular weight polyethylene, stainless steel, titanium, titanium alloy, chromium-cobalt-molybdenum alloy, pyrocarbon, and combinations thereof.

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

In the Specification

Col. 8, Line 29,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 3, the base member 4 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 3, the base member 4 of the--;

Col. 14, Line 32,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 7, the base member 44 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 7, the base member 44 of the--;

Col. 21, Line 13,

“In those embodiment wherein one of the components is” should read
--In those embodiments wherein one of the components is--;

Col. 22, Line 24,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 12, the base member 116 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 12, the base member 116 of the--;

Col. 27, Line 11,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 15, the base member 153 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 15, the base member 153 of the--;

Col. 28, Line 42,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 16, the base member 155 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 16, the base member 155 of the--;

Col. 30, Line 49,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 18, the base member 186 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 18, the base member 186 of the--;

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Col. 32, Line 13,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 19, the base member 188 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 19, the base member 188 of the--;

Col. 34, Line 62,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 21, the base member 218 of the” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 21, the base member 218 of the--;

Col. 35, Line 54,

“cylindrical, have an different cross-section, or combinations” should read
--cylindrical, have a different cross-section, or combinations--;

Col. 36, Line 2,

“member 218 is adapted be at least partially received by the” should read
--member 218 is adapted to be at least partially received by the--;

Col. 38, Line 41,

“A further illustrated in FIG. 24, the base member 248” should read
--As further illustrated in FIG. 24, the base member 248--;

Col. 39, Line 38,

“ber 248 is adapted be at least partially received by the meta-” should read
--ber 248 is adapted to be at least partially received by the meta- --; and

Col. 43, Line 38,

“embodiments, the ends 294 are equidistantly position with” should read
--embodiments, the ends 294 are equidistantly positioned with--.