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DEPRESSIBLE CONTACTLESS KEY FOR GENERATING ELECTRIC SIGNALS IN AN ELECTRONIC KEYBOARD

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Abstract (en)

[origin: EP0001882A1] An elastomeric material conductive under pressure is suitable for use in a keyboard. When not compressed the material is insulating. When a key (21) is depressed, the pressure renders the material (11) conductive and completes a circuit (14, 11, 16, 17, 15). In order to prolong the life of the material when it is repeatedly compressed, a magnetic field is used during polymerization of an elastomer in which magnetic powder is dispersed. The material becomes piezoconductive in a preferred direction parallel to the applied field.

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