

Title (en)

Toothbrush spontaneously taking up stable equilibrium position on a horizontal support

Title (de)

Zahnbürste die spontan eine stabile Gleichgewichtslage auf einer horizontalen Ebene einnimmt

Title (fr)

Brosse à dents prenant spontanément une position d'équilibre stable sur un support horizontal

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Abstract (en)

The toothbrush, made from a hard but lightweight plastic, consists of a head (6) with bristles (9) and a handle (17). Between the head and handle it has a circular collar (16), perpendicular or inclined relative to the lengthwise axis of the brush, and the handle has at least one flat surface (18), so that when the brush is laid on a horizontal support the bristles are raised above the surface of the support.

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