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(54) A hearing aid

(57) The present invention provides a hearing-aid device (41) including a circuit (21) which is responsive to an externally applied magnetic field to control a setting of the hearing-aid. In one example, the circuit (21) is a variable gain amplifier circuit (21) which is respon-

sive to the applied magnetic field to control the volume setting of the hearing-aid device (41). The magnet may be provided at one end of a hand-held rod (42) enabling a user to adjust the volume setting of the hearing-aid device discretely.

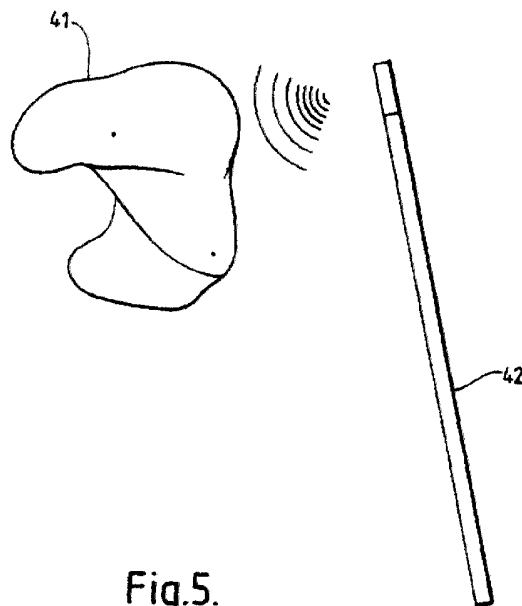


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