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## Description

**[0001]** The present invention relates to a pocket coin holder.

**[0002]** It is a known practice to accumulate metallic coins in the pockets of clothing or store them in appropriate coin holders or in compartments assigned to them generally provided in wallets; in each case, the coins are collected haphazardly.

**[0003]** It is also known that the cash desks of public and/or commercial concerns are equipped with cash registers that are divided into a plurality of compartments, each of which is designed to contain a specific denomination of bills or coins; in this last case, the coins are collected in a pile.

**[0004]** When a payment is made, buyers are forced to search their pockets, wallets or coin holders in order to try to find, among all the coins, the coins that have the denomination and quantity suitable to reach the amount due.

**[0005]** Likewise, cash desk operators are forced to calculate mentally the number and denomination of coins required to return the change and to draw the individual coins from the respective containment compartments.

**[0006]** Both buyers and cash desk operators waste time in inconvenient counting and searching; moreover, their hands repeatedly make contact with the coins, which are seats of accumulation of dirt and vehicles for the transmission of germs and bacteria, to the full disadvantage of their personal physical health and hygiene.

**[0007]** Coins stored in compartments of known wallets or in known coin holders, moreover, accumulate in bulky piles that make wallets and coin holders particularly bulky and sometimes difficult to close.

**[0008]** Coin holders are known, for example, from US-6 202 835 B1, EP-1 097 653 A2 and JP 0289103 (Patent Abstracts Japan).

**[0009]** The aim of the present invention is to eliminate the above-noted drawbacks by providing a pocket coin holder that allows to store in an orderly and organized fashion the coins, to facilitate and speed up the counting and finding of the number and denomination of the coins required to reach a preset amount to be paid or to be returned as change, and to limit contacts with the coins, to the full advantage of better protection of the physical health and hygiene health of buyers and cash desk operators.

**[0010]** Within this aim, an object of the present invention is to provide a coin holder that is compact and can also be stored in known types of wallet and coin holder.

**[0011]** Another object of the present invention is to provide a coin holder that is simple, relatively easy to provide in practice, safe in use, effective in operation, and has a relatively low cost.

**[0012]** This aim and these and other objects that will become better apparent hereinafter are achieved by the present pocket coin holder, according to the invention, that has the features set forth in claim 1.

**[0013]** Further inventive features of the pocket coin holder of the invention are set forth in the dependent claims.

**[0014]** Further characteristics and advantages of the present invention will become better apparent from the following detailed description of some preferred but not exclusive embodiments of a pocket coin holder, illustrated by way of non-limiting example in the accompanying drawings, wherein:

Figure 1 is a schematic front view of a pocket coin holder according to the invention;

Figure 2 is a schematic front view of a second embodiment of the pocket coin holder according to the invention;

Figure 3 is a schematic front view of a third embodiment of the pocket coin holder according to the invention;

Figure 4 is a schematic perspective view of an example of a pocket coin holder which is not part of the invention;

Figure 5 is a schematic sectional view of a portion of the substantially plate-like element of the pocket coin holder according to the invention;

Figure 6 is a schematic sectional view of a portion of the substantially plate-like element of the pocket coin holder according to the invention, provided with means for temporarily retaining said coins;

Figure 7 is a schematic sectional view of a portion of the substantially plate-like element of a pocket coin holder which does not fall within the scope of the invention, , provided with a possible alternative of the means for temporarily retaining said coins.

**[0015]** With reference to the figures, the reference numeral 1 generally designates a pocket coin holder.

**[0016]** The holder 1 comprises a substantially plate-like element 2, for supporting a plurality of metallic coins 3.

**[0017]** The expression "plate-like" or the equivalent expression "sheet-like" is used to give the element 2 a substantially flat and planar shape and a reduced thickness with respect to its surface extension.

**[0018]** The element 2 has two opposite faces 2A and 2B, on one or both of which there are a plurality of seats 4 for placing respective coins 3 substantially to size; the seats 4 can be formed on the entire surface of the two faces 2A and 2B or on a portion thereof.

**[0019]** The seats 4 are substantially disk-shaped and are sized so that a single coin 3 of a predefined denomination can be arranged uniquely in each seat.

**[0020]** The number and dimensions of the seats 4 are such that the sum of the value of the coins 3 that can be arranged therein is equal to a predefined amount.

**[0021]** The holder 1 further comprises means 5 for temporarily retaining the coins 3.

**[0022]** In the embodiments shown in the figures, the element 2 is constituted by a contoured sheet 6, which

is respectively rectangular or rectangular with two opposite arc-like sides, and is of the type that can be folded up along a predefined central folding line 7.

**[0023]** The element 2, after being folded, can be stored in a wallet or coin holder of a known type.

**[0024]** In the embodiments shown in Figures 1 and 2, the seats 4 are formed on half of the surface of the face 2A; in the embodiment shown in Figure 3, the seats 4 are formed on the entire surface of the face 2A. In the example shown in Figure 4 the seats 4 are formed on half of the surface of the face 2A and of the face 2B; in this last case, the sheet 6 has two wings 6a and 6b that can be folded up.

**[0025]** The seats 4 can be constituted for example by trays 8 for containing the coins 3 (Figures 1-3 and 5-7), and each seat can be conveniently crossed in a substantially central position by a through hole 9 that is suitable to facilitate extraction of the coin 3 that is respectively arranged therein.

**[0026]** The temporary retention means 5 can comprise for example, for each seat 4, an elastic segment 10 that is stretched over a respective seat 4 and whose opposite ends are anchored in corresponding points that are constituted for example by anchoring holes 11 that are provided so that they pass through the element 2 proximate to the perimetric edge of the respective seat 4.

**[0027]** Each elastic segment 10 is arranged on a plane that is substantially parallel to the element 2 and is stretched so that it is substantially parallel to a chord that subtends an arc of the perimetric edge of the respective seat 4 (which is disk-shaped).

**[0028]** Conveniently, a single continuous elastic tape 12, whose opposite ends 12a and 12b are anchored to opposite ends of the element 2, passes sequentially through the anchoring holes 11, so as to form the respective elastic segment 10 at each seat 4.

**[0029]** As an alternative, the temporary retention means 5 can be of the interlocking type or can be constituted by at least one retention tooth, by a hook or the like, or by one or more elastic press-tabs 13 (Figure 7); in each case, the coins 3 are temporarily retained so that they adhere to the seats 4 and can be easily and repeatedly applied to them in order to be stored in the holder 1 and be removed from them to be used.

**[0030]** The element 2 can be made of paper, cardboard, plastics or the like.

**[0031]** It is possible to form on the face 2A and/or 2B at which the seats 4 are formed, proximate to each one of the seats 4, symbols or signs that identify the denominations of coins 3 that can be arranged therein for immediate visual recognition, or tactile recognition for visually-impaired individuals.

**[0032]** One or both faces 2A and 2B may further comprise a portion that is suitable to support informational and/or explanatory messages.

**[0033]** Alternative embodiments of the holder 1 that are not illustrated are not excluded.

**[0034]** In particular, the element 2 can be of a rigid or

stiffened type and the seats 4 can be constituted by contours 14 that are formed in relief or recessed on the face 2A and/or 2B (Figure 4).

**[0035]** The following examples merely illustrate the present invention and must not be understood in a limiting sense for the present invention.

#### Example 1

**[0036]** With reference to the currency currently used in Europe, the euro, it is possible to provide on one or both faces 2A and 2B eight seats 4: one for a one-euro-cent coin 3, two for a respective two-euro-cent coin 3, one for a five-euro-cent coin 3, two for a respective ten-euro-cent coin 3, one for a twenty-euro-cent coin 3, and one for a fifty-euro-cent coin 3; in this manner, if the holder 1 is completely filled with the coins 3, the total sum of the values of said coins will be equal to 1 euro.

#### Example 2

**[0037]** Like Example 1, with the addition, on one of the two opposite faces 2A and 2B, of two seats 4 for placing a respective one-euro coin 3 and a seat 4 for a two-euro coin 3; in this manner, if the holder 1 is completely filled with the coins 3, the total sum of the values of said coins will be equal to 5 euros.

**[0038]** In practice it has been found that the described invention achieves the intended aim and objects.

**[0039]** It is noted in fact that the holder according to the invention, by being constituted by a flat and planar sheet-like element, substantially corresponds to a bill; therefore, it has limited overall dimensions and particularly if it is sized according to the standard dimensions of commercially available wallets and coin holders it can be stored inside them like a conventional bill, occupying limited volumes.

**[0040]** Moreover, the holder according to the invention allows to hold the coins in an orderly fashion and in such combinations as to make predefined values available, for example one, two, three or five euros, allowing immediate recognition and rapid use by buyers and cash desk operators.

**[0041]** The holder according to the invention allows to simplify and speed up payment operations both for users and for cash desk operators; once filled, even just partially, it can in fact be used as a true exchange bill of predefined value and can be given in its entirety.

**[0042]** For example, cash desk operators might load a plurality of holders according to the invention, thus having them available in order to give change to the public simply and straightforwardly, limiting wait times.

**[0043]** The invention thus conceived is susceptible of numerous modifications and variations, all of which are within the scope of the appended claims.

**[0044]** All the details may further be replaced with other technically equivalent ones.

**[0045]** In practice, the materials used, as well as the

shapes and the dimensions, may be any according to requirements without thereby abandoning the scope of the protection of the appended claims.

**[0046]** The disclosures in Italian Patent Application No. MO2003A000051, from which this application claims priority, are incorporated herein by reference.

**[0047]** Where technical features mentioned in any claim are followed by reference signs, those reference signs have been included for the sole purpose of increasing the intelligibility of the claims and accordingly such reference signs do not have any limiting effect on the interpretation of each element identified by way of example by such reference signs.

## Claims

1. A pocket coin holder comprising a substantially plate-like element (2) for supporting a plurality of metallic coins (3) and a plurality of seats (4), for arranging, substantially to size, respective said coins (3), said plurality of seats (4) being formed on at least one of the two opposite faces (2A, 2B) of said supporting element (2), wherein said holder further comprises means (5) for temporarily retaining said coins (3) in said seats (4), **characterized in that** said means comprise, for each one of said seats, an elastic segment (10) that is stretched over a respective seat (4) and whose opposite ends are anchored in corresponding points (11) formed proximate to the perimetric edge of said respective seat (4).
2. The holder according to claim 1, **characterized in that** the sum of the value of said plurality of coins (3) is equal to a predefined amount.
3. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said plurality of seats (4) is formed on one of the opposite faces (2A, 2B) of said supporting element (2).
4. The holder according to claims 1 or 2, **characterized in that** said plurality of seats (4) is formed on both of the opposite faces (2A, 2B) of said supporting element (2).
5. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said supporting element (2) comprises at least one contoured sheet (6).
6. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said supporting element (2) comprises two of said sheets (6), which are mutually superimposed and associated so as to form an envelope.
7. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said supporting element (2) is made of paper, cardboard, plastics or the like.
8. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said supporting element (2) is of a type that can be folded up along a predefined substantially central folding line (7).
9. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said supporting element (2) is of a type that can be folded up on both of said opposite faces (2A, 2B) along a predefined substantially central folding line (7).
10. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said seats (4) are substantially disc-shaped for the unique placement of one of said coins (3) of predefined denomination.
11. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said seats (4) are crossed in a substantially central position by a through hole (9) that is suitable to facilitate the extraction of the coins (3) respectively arranged therein.
12. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said seats (4) are constituted by trays (8) for containing said coins (3).
13. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said seats (4) are constituted by a contour (14) that is formed in relief or recessed on at least one of the two opposite faces (2A, 2B).
14. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said elastic segment (10) is arranged on a plane that is substantially parallel to said supporting element (2).
15. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said elastic segment (10) is arranged substantially parallel to a chord that subtends an arc of the perimetric edge of said respective seat (4).
16. The holder according to one or more of the claims, **characterized in that** said points are constituted by respective anchoring holes (11) that are provided through said supporting element (2).
17. The holder according to claim 16, **characterized in that** the elastic segments (10) are formed by a continuous elastic tape (12) whose opposite ends (12a, 12b) are anchored to said supporting element (2), said tape (12) passing sequentially through said anchoring holes (11) so as to form, at each one of said

seats (4), said respective elastic segment (10).

18. The holder according to one or more of the claims 4-17, **characterized in that** said seats are formed on half of the surface of the opposite faces (2A, 2B) of said supporting element (2).
19. The holder according to claim 18, **characterized in that** said sheet (6) has two wings (6a, 6b) that can be folded up.
20. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that** said supporting element (2) is sized according to standard dimensions of commercially available wallets and coin holders.
21. The holder according to one or more of the preceding claims, **characterized in that**, once filled, constitutes an exchange bill of predefined value and is usable as such.

#### Patentansprüche

1. Ein Taschenmünzbehälter, umfassend ein im Wesentlichen plattenähnliches Element (2) zum Stützen einer Mehrzahl von Münzen (3) und eine Mehrzahl von Sitzen (4) zur Anordnung der jeweiligen Münzen (3) im Wesentlichen nach Größe, wobei die Mehrzahl der Sitze (4) auf mindestens einer der zwei gegenüberliegenden Flächen (2A, 2B) des Stützelements (2) ausgebildet sind, wobei der Behälter weiter Mittel (5) zum zeitweiligen Aufnehmen der Münzen (3) in den Sitzen (4) umfasst, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Mittel für jeden der Sitze ein elastisches Segment (10) umfassen, das über einen jeweiligen Sitz (4) gespannt ist und dessen gegenüberliegende Enden an korrespondierenden Punkten (11) verankert sind, die benachbart der Umlaufkante des jeweiligen Sitzes (4) ausgebildet sind.
2. Der Behälter gemäß Anspruch 1, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** der Gesamtwert der Mehrzahl von Münzen (3) einem vorbestimmten Geldbetrag entspricht.
3. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Mehrzahl der Sitze (4) auf einer der gegenüberliegenden Flächen (2A, 2B) des Stützelements (2) ausgebildet ist.
4. Der Behälter gemäß Anspruch 1 oder 2, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Mehrzahl der Sitze (4) auf beiden gegenüberliegenden Flächen (2A, 2B) des Stützelements (2) ausgebildet ist.
5. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vor-

hergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Stützelement (2) mindestens eine profilierte Platte (6) umfasst.

6. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Stützelement (2) zwei der Platten (6) umfasst, die gegenseitig übereinandergelagert und verbunden sind, um einen Umschlag zu bilden.
7. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Stützelement (2) aus Papier, Pappe, Kunststoff oder dergleichen hergestellt ist.
8. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Stützelement vom Typ ist, das entlang einer vorbestimmten im Wesentlichen zentralen Falzlinie (7) zusammengefaltet werden kann.
9. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Stützelement (2) vom Typ ist, das auf beiden gegenüberliegenden Flächen (2A, 2B) entlang einer vorbestimmten im Wesentlichen zentralen Falzlinie (7) zusammengefaltet werden kann.
10. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Sitze (4) für die einzigartige Unterbringung einer der Münzen (3) mit vorbestimmtem Nennwert im Wesentlichen scheibenförmig ist.
11. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Sitze (4) in einer im Wesentlichen zentralen Position von einem Durchgangsloch (9) durchquert werden, das geeignet ist, die Entnahme der jeweils darin angeordneten Münzen (3) zu erleichtern.
12. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Sitze (4) von Mulden (8) zur Aufnahme der Münzen (3) gebildet sind.
13. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Sitze (4) von einer Kontur (14), die reliefartig oder eingebuchtet auf mindestens einer der zwei gegenüberliegenden Flächen (2A, 2B) ausgebildet ist, gebildet sind.
14. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das elastische Segment (10) auf einer Fläche angeordnet ist, die im Wesentlichen parallel zum

Stützelement (2) ist.

15. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das elastische Segment (10) im Wesentlichen parallel zu einer Sehne angeordnet ist, die einen Bogen der Umlaufkante des jeweiligen Sitzes (4) schneidet.
16. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Punkte von jeweiligen Verankerungslöchern (11) gebildet sind, die durch das Stützelement (2) hindurch bereitgestellt sind.
17. Der Behälter gemäß Anspruch 16, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die elastischen Segmente (10) von einem ununterbrochenen elastischen Band (12) gebildet sind, dessen gegenüberliegende Enden (12a, 12b) am Stützelement (2) verankert sind, wobei das Band nacheinander durch die Verankerungslöcher (11) führt, um an jedem der Sitze (4) die jeweiligen elastischen Segmente zu bilden.
18. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der Ansprüche 4-17, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Sitze auf der Hälfte der Oberfläche der gegenüberliegenden Flächen (2A, 2B) des Stützelements (2) ausgebildet sind.
19. Der Behälter gemäß Anspruch 18, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** die Platte (6) zwei Flügel (6a, 6b) aufweist, die zusammengeklappt werden können.
20. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** das Stützelement (2) nach Standardabmessungen von handelsüblichen Brieftaschen und Münzbehältern bemessen ist.
21. Der Behälter gemäß einem oder mehreren der vorhergehenden Ansprüche, **dadurch gekennzeichnet, dass** er, einmal aufgefüllt, ein Zahlungsmittel von vordefiniertem Wert bildet und als solches verwendbar ist.

## Revendications

1. Porte-monnaie de poche comprenant un élément (2) sensiblement en forme de plaque pour supporter une pluralité de pièces de monnaie métalliques (3) et une pluralité de logements (4), pour agencer, sensiblement selon la taille, lesdites pièces de monnaies respectives (3), ladite pluralité de logements (4) étant formée sur au moins l'une des deux faces opposées (2A, 2B) dudit élément de support (2), où ledit porte-monnaie comprend en outre des moyens (5) pour

retenir temporairement lesdites pièces (3) dans lesdits logements (4), **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits moyens comprennent, pour chacun desdits logements, un segment élastique (10) qui est étiré au delà d'un logement respectif (4) et dont les extrémités opposées sont ancrées dans des points correspondants (11) formés à proximité du bord périmétrique dudit logement respectif (4).

2. Porte-monnaie selon la revendication 1, **caractérisé en ce que** la somme de la valeur de ladite pluralité de pièces (3) est égale à un montant prédéfini.
3. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ladite pluralité de logements (4) est formée sur l'une des faces opposées (2A, 2B) dudit élément de support (2).
4. Porte-monnaie selon la revendication 1 ou 2, **caractérisé en ce que** ladite pluralité de logements (4) est formée sur les deux faces opposées (2A, 2B) dudit élément de support (2).
5. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit élément de support (2) comprend au moins un feuillet profilé (6).
6. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit élément de support (2) comprend deux desdits feuillets (6), qui sont mutuellement superposés et associés de sorte à former une enveloppe.
7. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit élément de support (2) est réalisé en papier, carton, plastique ou analogue.
8. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit élément de support (2) est du type pouvant être plié le long d'une ligne de pliure centrale (7) sensiblement prédéfinie.
9. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit élément de support (2) est du type pouvant être plié sur les deux faces opposées (2A, 2B) le long d'une ligne de pliure centrale (7) sensiblement prédéfinie.
10. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits logements (4) sont sensiblement en forme de disque pour le placement seulement d'une desdites pièces (3) de dénomination prédéfinie.

11. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits logements (4) sont croisés dans une position sensiblement centrale par un trou traversant (9) qui est approprié à faciliter l'extraction des pièces (3) qui y sont respectivement agencés. 5
12. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits logements (4) sont constitués par des cuvettes (8) pour contenir les pièces (3). 10
13. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits logements (4) sont constitués par un contour (14) qui est formé en relief ou évidé sur au moins l'une des deux faces opposées (2A, 2B). 15
14. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit segment élastique (10) est agencé sur un plan qui est sensiblement parallèle audit élément de support (2). 20
15. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit segment élastique (10) est agencé sensiblement parallèle à une corde qui sous-tend un arc du bord périmétrique dudit logement respectif (4). 25
16. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits points sont constitués par des trous d'ancrage respectifs (11) qui sont prévus traversants ledit élément de support (2). 30
17. Porte-monnaie selon la revendication 16, **caractérisé en ce que** les segments élastiques (10) sont formés par une bande élastique continue (12) dont les extrémités opposées (12a, 12b) sont ancrées audit élément de support (2), ladite bande (12) passant de façon séquentielle à travers lesdits trous d'ancrage (11) de sorte à former, au niveau de chacun desdits logements (4), ledit segment élastique respectif (10). 35
18. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications 4 à 17, **caractérisé en ce que** lesdits logements sont formés sur la moitié de la surface des faces opposées (2A, 2B) dudit élément de support (2). 40
19. Porte-monnaie selon la revendication 18, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit feuillet (6) présente deux ailes (6a, 6b) qui peuvent être repliées. 45
20. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que** ledit élément de support (2) est dimensionné selon les dimensions standards des porte-monnaies et portefeuilles disponibles dans le commerce. 50
21. Porte-monnaie selon une ou plusieurs des revendications précédentes, **caractérisé en ce que**, une fois rempli, il constitue un billet d'échange d'une valeur prédéfinie et est utilisable comme tel. 55

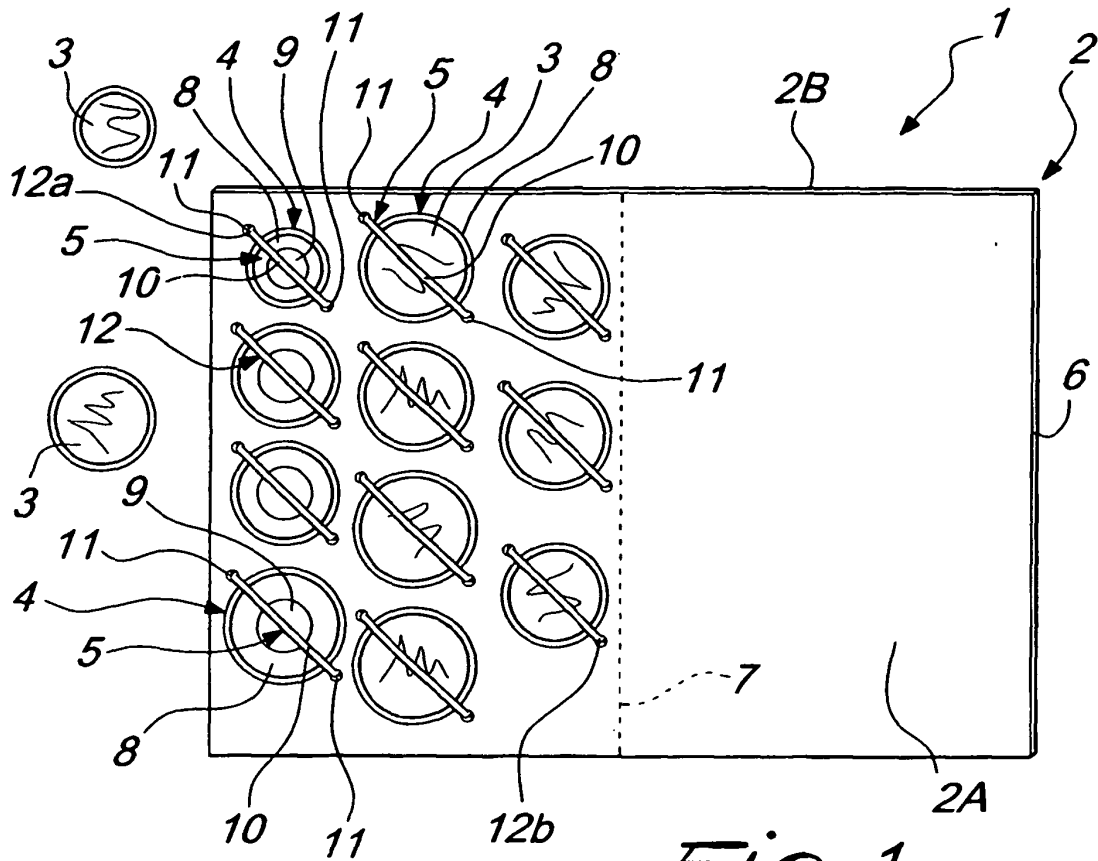


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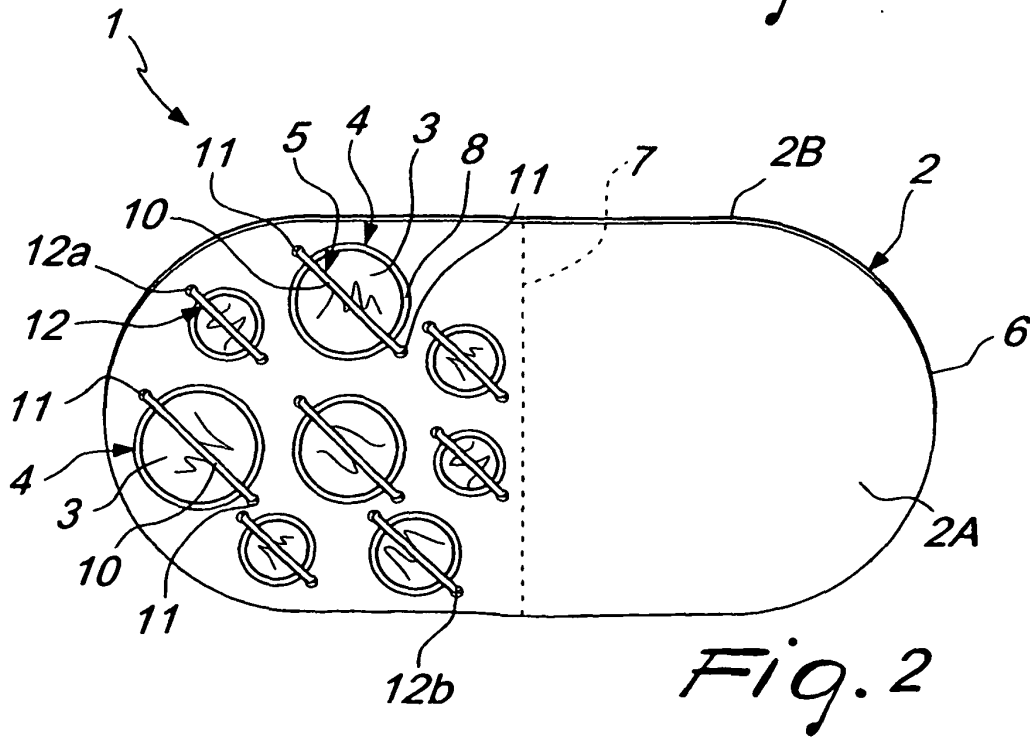


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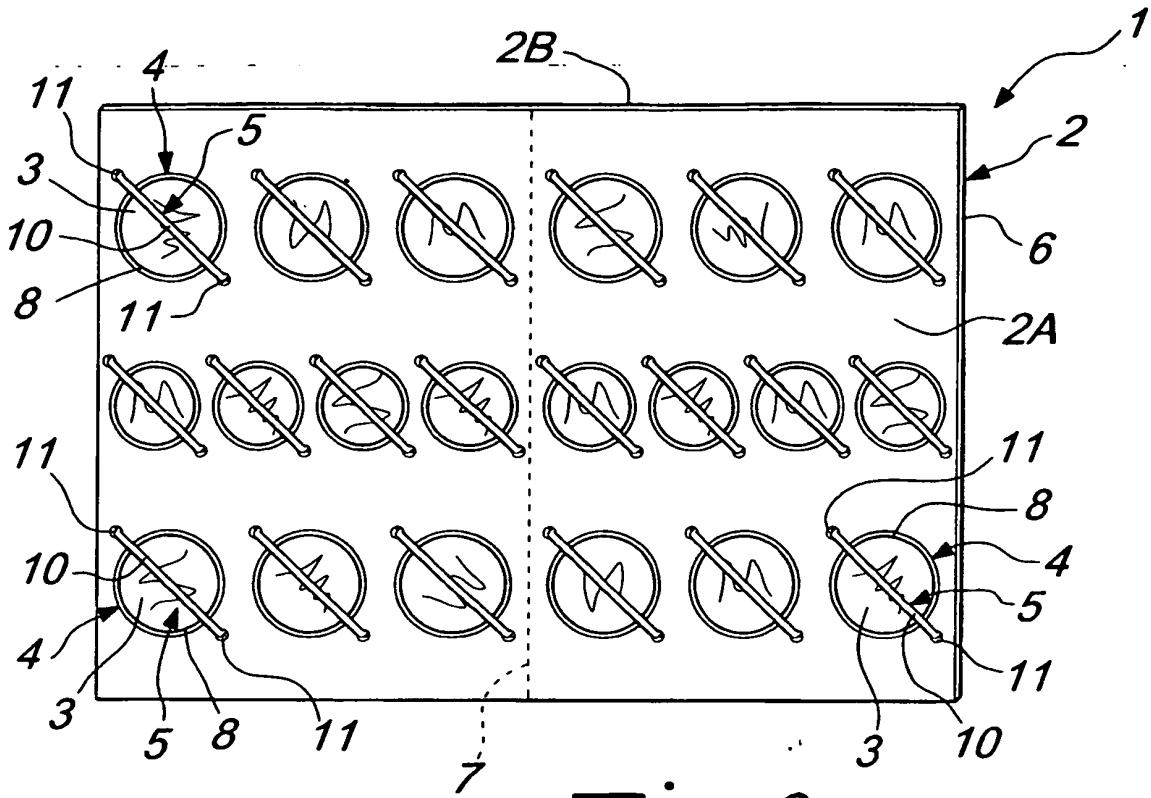


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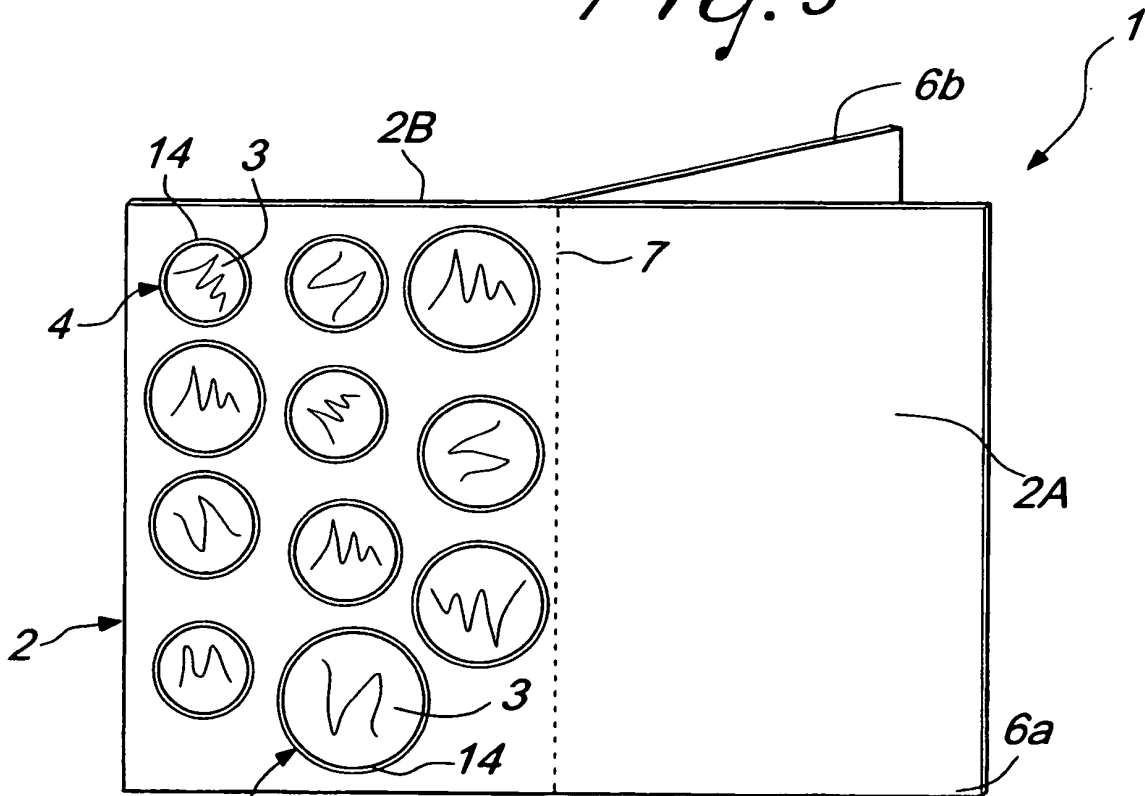


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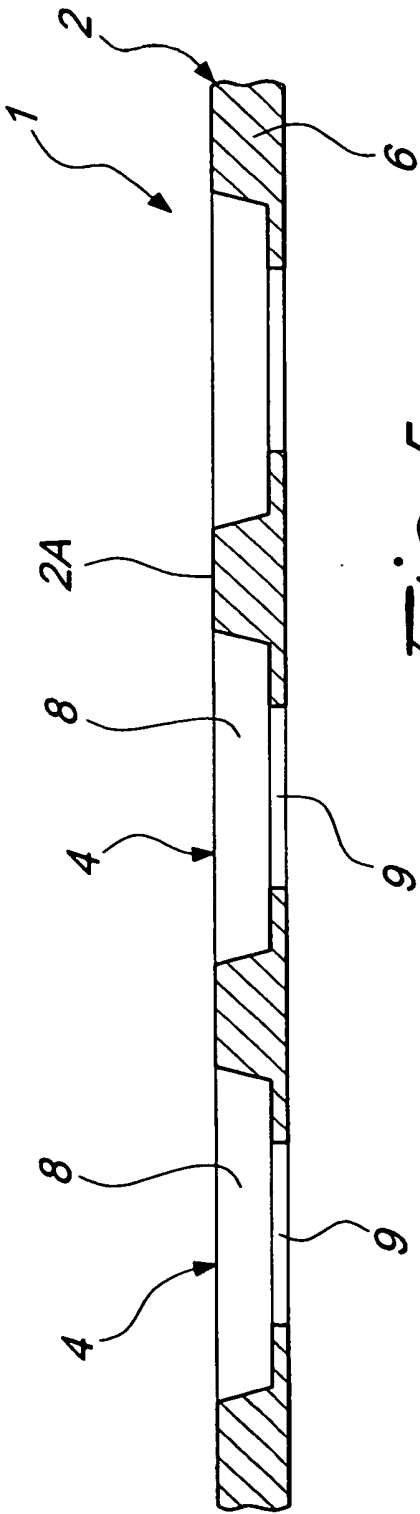


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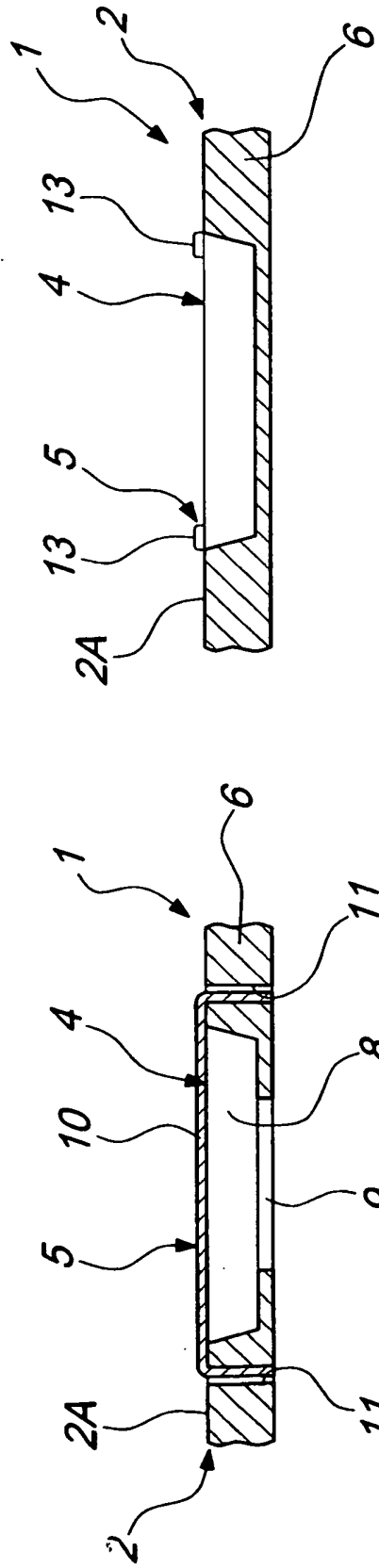


Fig. 7

Fig. 6

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