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(54) **Hairdryer**

(57) An ergonomically improved hairdryer construction comprises a blowing front body (1), a rotary middle

body (3), a handle-shape hilt element (2), a sucking rear body (4), and a variable position gripping portion (5).

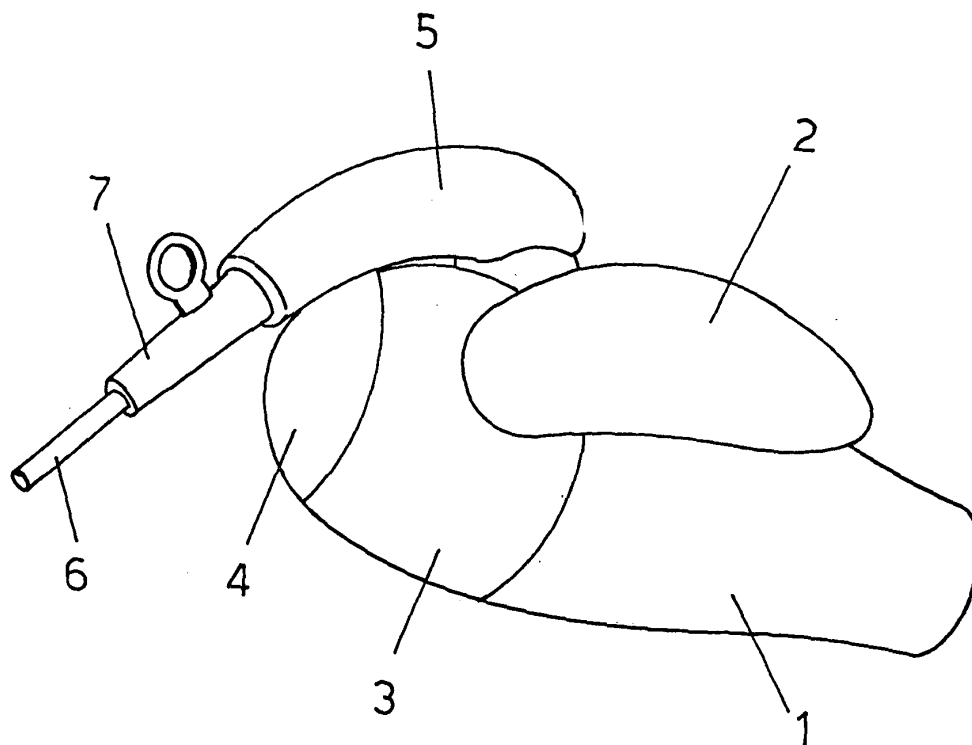


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1. claims: 1,2

Hairdryer having a front blowing body, a rotary middle body, a handle-shaped hilt element, a rear sucking body and a variable position gripping portion whereby the hairdryer has an electric power cable and a cable holder.

2. claims: 3,4,6,9-11

Hairdryer having a front blowing body, a rotary middle body, a handle-shaped hilt element, a rear sucking body and a variable position gripping portion whereby the rotary middle portion and the hilt element have provisions for a specific rotational movement.

3. claim: 5

Hairdryer having a front blowing body, a rotary middle body, a handle-shaped hilt element, a rear sucking body and a variable position gripping portion whereby the hairdryer has high ergonomic characteristics.

4. claims: 7,8

Hairdryer having a front blowing body, a rotary middle body, a handle-shaped hilt element, a rear sucking body and a variable position gripping portion whereby the hilt element has specific clamping characteristics.

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