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(54) **Hairbrush**

(57) A hair brush (10) includes a substantially planar pin bed member (12), a plurality of pins (14) projecting mutually parallel from the pin bed member (12), the pins (14) being arranged in spaced rows (22) and being of at least three but no more than four different lengths.

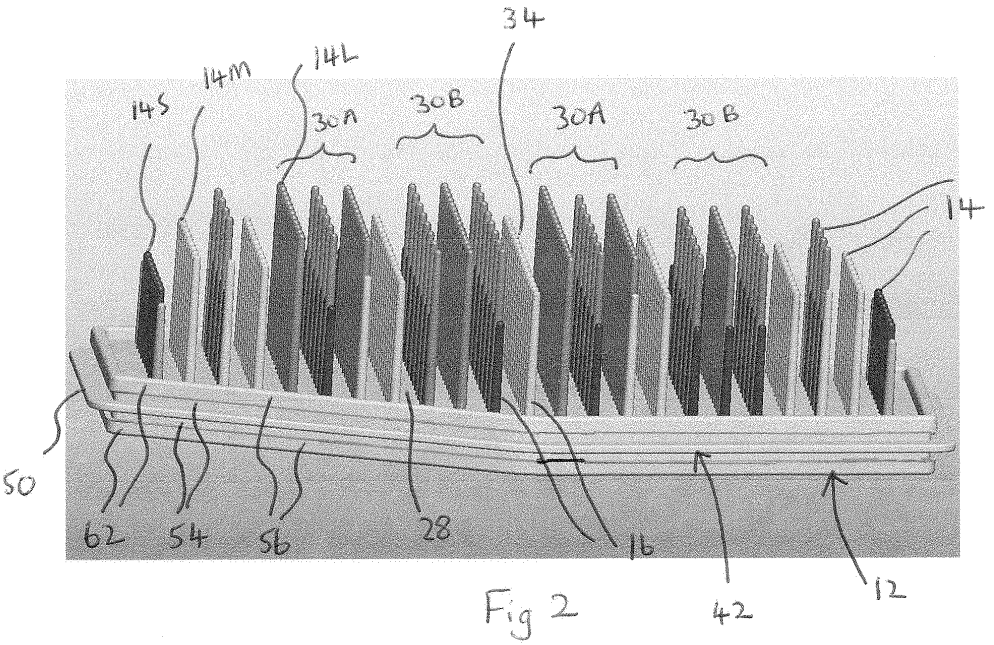


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1. claims: 1-11(completely); 13-15(partially)

hair brush with planar pin bed member, a plurality of pins arranged in spaced rows projecting from the pin bed member and being of at least three but no more than four different lengths.

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2. claims: 12(completely); 13-15(partially)

hair brush with a pin bed member, a plurality of pins projecting from the pin bed member, a dispenser defining a reservoir for dispensing a hair conditioning material to the pins, a back member, a mounting for mounting the back member to the pin bed member, at least one dispensing outlet.

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