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(54) **FOOTWEAR WITH TEXTURED SKIN**

(57) An article of footwear includes a porous body comprising a lattice of interconnected unit cells and a first porosity. The article of footwear also includes skin layer integrally formed on an exterior of the porous body. The

skin layer has a second porosity and defines ribs that extend outward from the porous body. The second porosity is less than the first porosity.

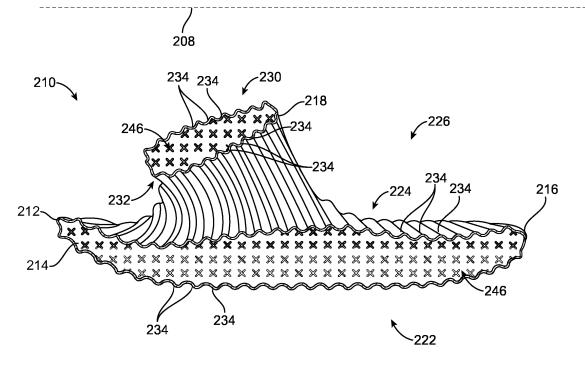


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10 1. claims: 1-11

An article of footwear with regions of different mechanical

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2. claims: 12-15

characteristics.

A sandal with advanced cushioning that protects the foot from impact forces.

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