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(54) HAIRBRUSH, METHODS OF USE, AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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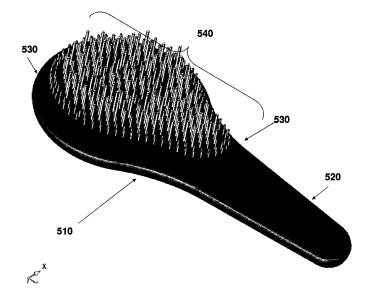
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(57) ABSTRACT

Embodiments of the present invention relate to a hairbrush for detangling human or animal hair. In some embodiments, the hairbrush includes a field of bristles where bristle height is substantially random and substantially independent of position on the hairbrush. In some embodiments, within the bristle field, the bristle width and/or the bristle material may vary between bristles—for example, substantially randomly with respect to position and/or in a manner that is correlated with bristle height.

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(54) AGENTS, COMPOSITIONS AND DEVICES FOR TEMPORARY COLORING LOCAL HAIR AREAS

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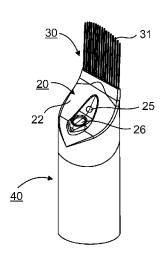
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Hair-coloring applicators comprising a shield to protect the scalp, polymers of tannic acid having iron ions bound thereto, hair-coloring compositions comprising same and/or melanoidin, and novel alcohol-free carriers, are disclosed, as well uses thereof for coloring hair.

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(54) DEVICE, KIT AND METHOD FOR COLORING HAIR

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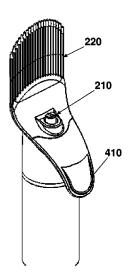
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A hair-penetrating shield 220 comprises a tooth array having top 280 and bottom 290 surfaces. In some embodiments, for a majority of the teeth, a cross section of each tooth (for example, triangular in shape) has an asymmetric width profile such that the tooth cross section, on average, is narrower near the top of the tooth and wider near the bottom of the tooth. In some embodiments, a ratio between: i) a first average tooth width describing the average tooth width below the top-bottom midpoint; and ii) a second average tooth width describing the average tooth width above the top-bottom midpoint is at least 1.2, or at least 1.6. In some embodiments, a non-viscous hair-coloring agent is dispensed as a mist over the top of the surface of the shield so as to color roots of hair passing through the spaces between the teeth of the user's hair. In some embodiments, closelyspaced teeth of the hair penetrating shield protect the user's scalp from the non-viscous hair-coloring agent. Related methods and kits are disclosed herein.

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(54) HAIRBRUSH

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a hairbrush, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. 1 is a front view of a hairbrush embodying the design.

FIG. 2 is a back view thereof.

FIGS. 3-4 are side views thereof.

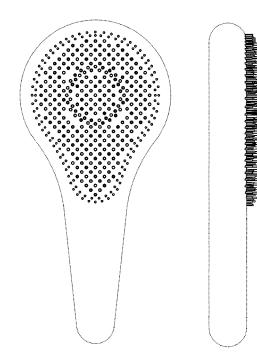
FIG. **5** is a top view thereof.

FIG. 6 is a bottom view thereof; and,

FIG. 7 is a isometric view thereof.

The broken-line showing of a back and handle illustrates portions of the hairbrush that form no part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 5 Drawing Sheets





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(54) HAIR COLORING APPARATUS

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(57) **CLAIM**

The ornamental design for a hair coloring apparatus, as shown and described.

DESCRIPTION

FIG. **1** is a front view of a hair coloring apparatus embodying the design.

FIG. 2 is a back view thereof.

FIG. **3-4** are side views thereof.

FIG. 5 is a bottom view thereof.

FIG. 6 is a top view thereof; and,

FIG. 7 is an isometric view thereof.

The broken lines in the drawings are for illustrative purposes only and do not form part of the claimed design.

1 Claim, 6 Drawing Sheets

