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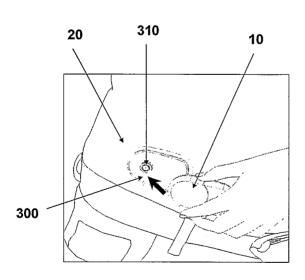
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(57) Abstract: Embodiments of the present invention are directed to devices, systems and methods for delivering therapeutic fluid (e.g., insulin) into the body, including a skin adherable cradle, for retaining a therapeutic fluid dispenser for delivering a therapeutic fluid to a user.



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Claims Nos.: 36-39

The methods of claims 36-39 for delivering a therapeutic fluid to a human body are carried out within a human body. As stated in the claims, the methods are during a medical therapy.

These methods are forming part of a therapeutic procedure and can therefore not be regarder as an invention which is susceptible of industrial application.

The application does not meet the requirement of Rule 39.1(iv), because these claims are a method of treatment of the human body.

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1. X Claims Nos.: 36-39 because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:
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This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:
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This International Searching Authority found multiple (groups of) inventions in this international application, as follows:

1. claims: 1-35,40

These claims essentially define a fluid infusion device comprising a first assembly having:

- a structure having a first surface configured for adhering to the skin of a user and having at least a portion of a second surface which substantially corresponds to at least a portion of a therapeutic fluid infusion device

- at least one connecting area for connection with a corresponding connecting area of the infusion device

- an opening for receiving a fluid dispensing outlet of the infusion device and for receiving a cannula

- an adhesive
(technical effect: to provide an infusion device which permits repeated connection and disconnection of the infusion device to/from the first assembly)

2. claims: 41-48

These claims essentially define an inserter device comprising:

- a housing
- an actuator
- a spring loaded plunger (technical effect: to provide an inserter)

3. claim: 49

This claim essentially defines a medical infusion penetrating assembly comprising:

- a needle
- a cannula
- a grip portion
- at least one strip of material for preventing crumpling of a medical infusion device cradle (technical effect: to provide a penetrating assembly which prevents crumpling of a medical infusion device cradle)

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