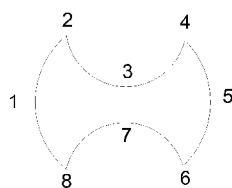
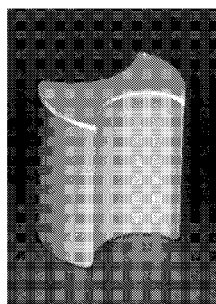




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Average dimensions of shaped part	
Point	Dimension
Point 1 to Point 5	1.6-1.7 cm
Point 2 to Point 4	1.3-1.4 cm
Point 2 to Point 8 (or Point 4 to Point 6)	1.1-1.2 cm
Point 2 to Point 6 (or Point 4 to Point 8)	1.7 cm
Point 3 to Point 7	0.4-0.5 cm
Point 6 to Point 8	1.1-1.2 cm
HEIGHT	2.0 cm
TOTAL AREA	c. 12-13 cm ²

FIGURE 1

(57) **Abstract:** The present invention provides an aqueous platinum electroplating bath comprising: a) a source of platinum ions; and b) a source of borate ions. The aqueous platinum electroplating bath may optionally comprise one or more levellers. The invention also provides the use of the platinum electroplating bath.



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