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(54) Title: HAIR TREATMENT DEVICE AND METHOD (57) Abstract A method of treating a tress of hair including waving of the tress of hair includes the steps of inserting the tress of hair with a required formation into a hollow device and then while retained in hollow device the tress of hair is treated with a chemical substance. Preferably for convenience of use the hollow device comprises an extendible tube (12, 60). One end of the tube is secured to the root end of a tress of hair and the tube is extended lengthwise. The tube is then returned to its unextended state while ensuring that the tress of hair is retained within the tube. Preferably the device comprises a base element (10, 50) secured to one end of the tube, an upper element (11, 51) secured to a second end of the tube and a body member (13, 52) located intermediate the upper element and the base element to locate the upper element relative to the base element and to provide a housing for the extendible tube (12, 60). The base element is provided with means (18, 65) to secure the base element to a root end of a tress of hair and the upper element is formed to prevent egress of the tress of hair and to provide a funnel for application of treatment substance to the tress of hair.																				

