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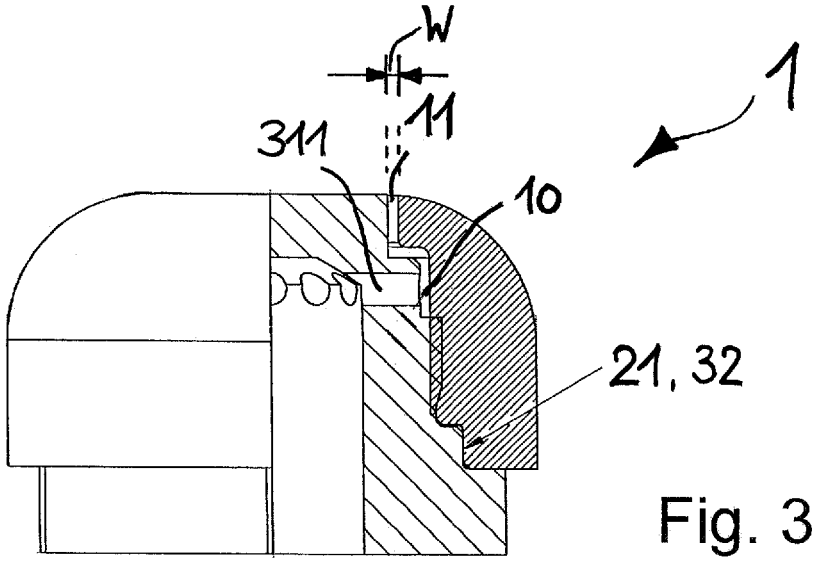


Fig. 3

(57) Abstract: A drying nozzle (1) for drying a peripheral portion of an ophthalmic lens (CL), in particular a contact lens, comprises an inlet (30) for the supply of a pressurized, and a continuous annular outlet gap (11) having a predetermined width (W), central bore (fig.8) (313a) and a concave upper surface (314a) which converges toward the outlet opening of the central bore (313a), through which the pressurized air is capable of being supplied to the peripheral portion of the ophthalmic lens (CL).