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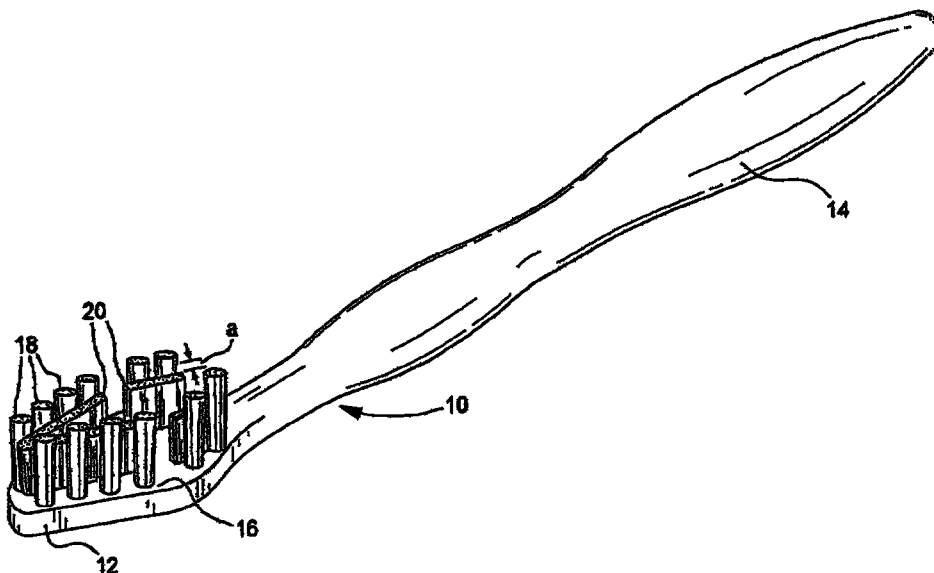
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(57) Abstract: A toothbrush (10) having a plurality of peripheral bristle tufts (18) and a plurality of adjacent bristle bars (20) located internally within the head (12) thereto, which bristle bars provide support for the peripheral bristle tufts during brushing, such that the stiffness and associated cleaning ability of the peripheral bristle tufts is enhanced.

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