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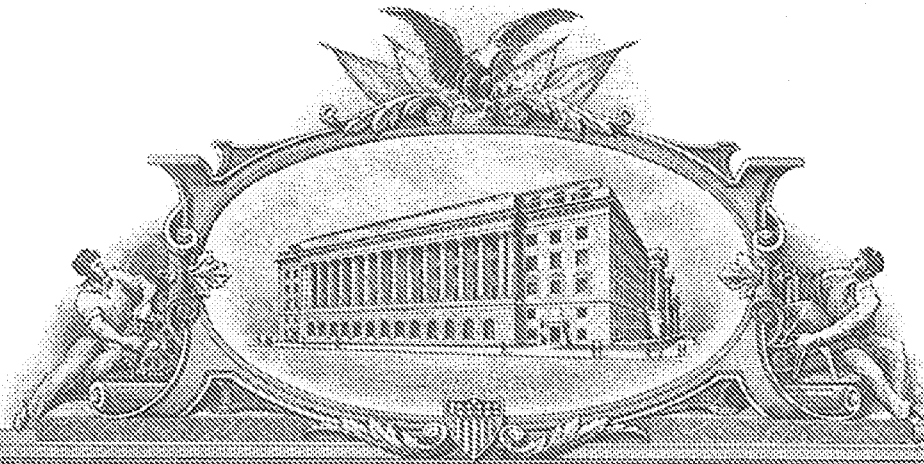
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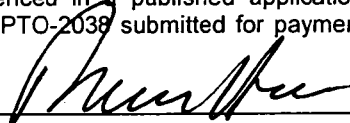


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Diamond Dusted Extrusion Cannula

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Removal of fluid and other material from the eye can be done by a number of means. Use of a metal instrument runs the risk of inadvertent impact between the instrument and delicate structures within the eye. Using silicone tubing extending from the metal instrument would offer the advantage of decreasing the likelihood of traumatic impact. The tubing, being relatively flexible, would deform with pressure against intraocular structures. The flexibility of the tubing would limit the ability of using the instrument to abrade or rub against the surface of a structure if needed. By covering the end of the tubing with diamond dust the tubing would simultaneously be flexible and also abrasive. This would help dislodge blood clots from the surface of the retina, help remove triamcinolone injected into the eye as a marking agent, as well as performing functions already done with typical fluid removal devices.

Diamond dust on silicone has been used in the diamond dusted membrane scraper. This is a marketed device that is used to scrape membranes from the retina. It does not have the ability to remove fluid from the eye.

The drawing shows the diamond dusted extrusion cannula attached to a headpiece. In actual use it can be constructed as a detachable disposable cannula with a luer-lock designed to fit on an extrusion headpiece.

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