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(54)	ROOT CANAL TREATMENT TOOL AND
	METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE
	SAME

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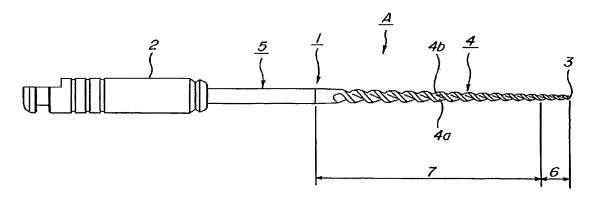
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**ABSTRACT** (57)

The present invention relates to a root canal treatment tool that is formed in a shape of a rod and has a work portion formed in a predetermined length from a tip and a shank formed in a manner continuous with the work portion. The work portion has a shape memory characteristic in a range of a predetermined length from the tip and a superelastic characteristic in a remaining portion.

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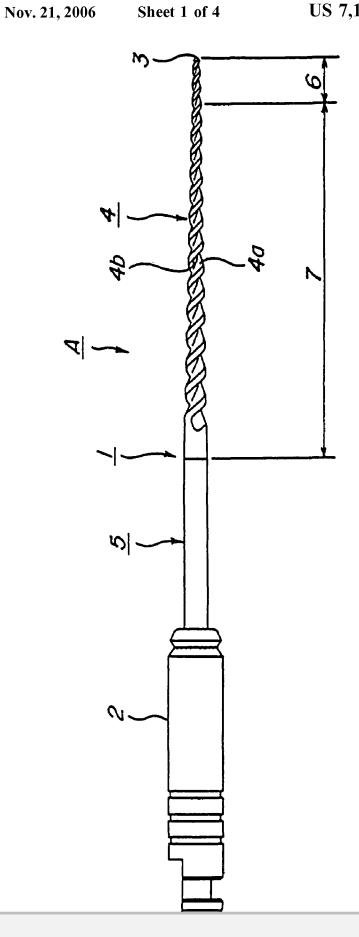
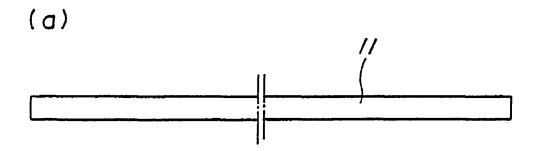
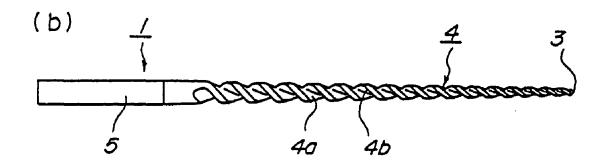
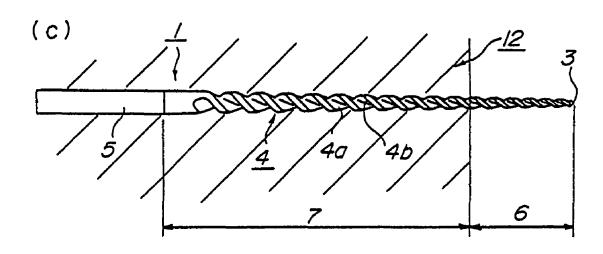


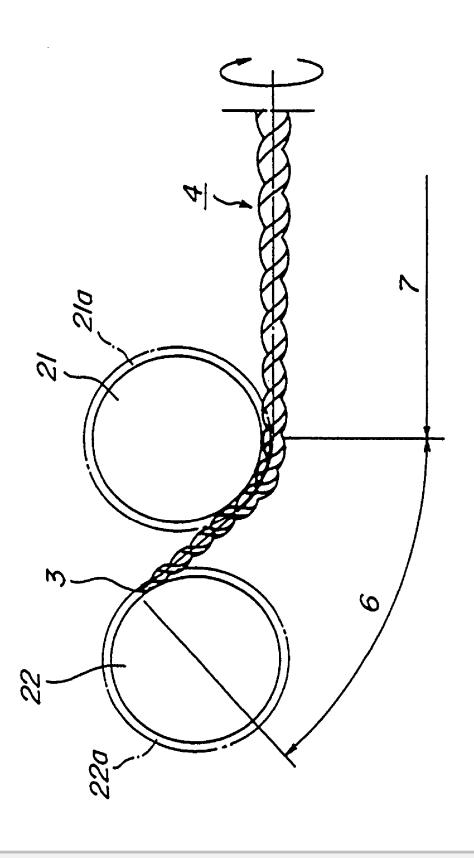
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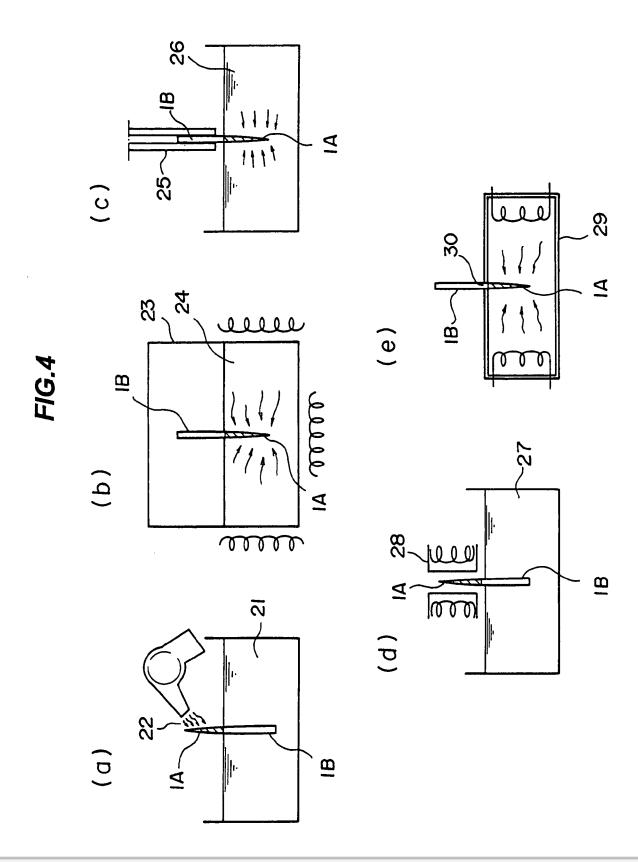












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