Process Book

UltraSight Electric Toothbrush + Smart Mirror



User Personas & Storyboard

Brian, 22 frustrated devotee

- A senior in college lives off-campus with one roommate.
- Struggles with balancing his thesis, commissions, and job interviews.
- Strict brushing habits for interviews.
- Believes in the importance of first impressions.
- Brushes and flosses twice a day.
- Rare bouts of lazy brushing due to time.
- Confused about why he keeps getting cavities.

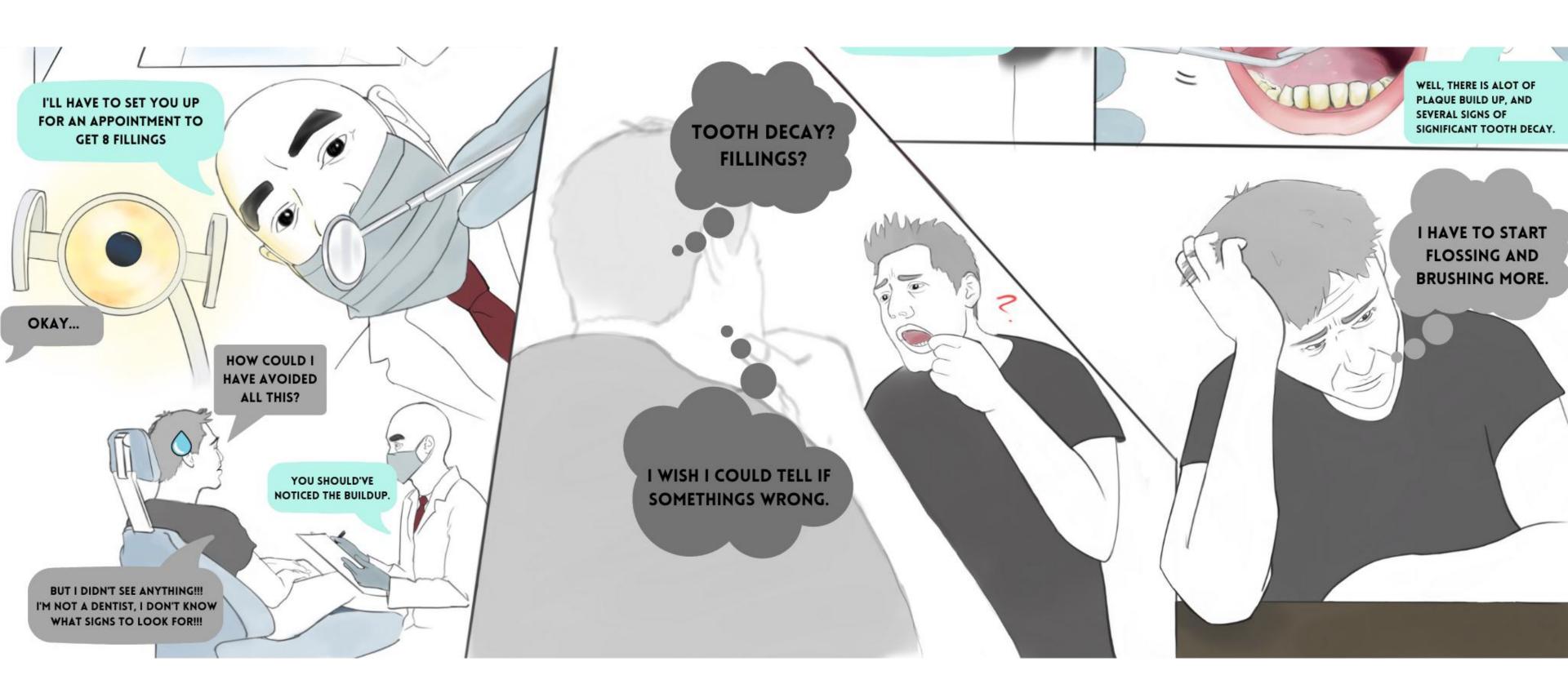
Stephanie, 51. Todd, 50 struggling couple

- Married for 24 years, 1 child in college.
- Todd works full-time as a mechanic, Stephanie works part-time as a teacher and at the grocery store.
- Recently adjusted to electric toothbrushes.
- Both brush 1-2 times a day depending on energy.
- Trying to reduce monthly expenses.
- Confused about how to brush properly.
- Todd feels dental issues are inevitable.



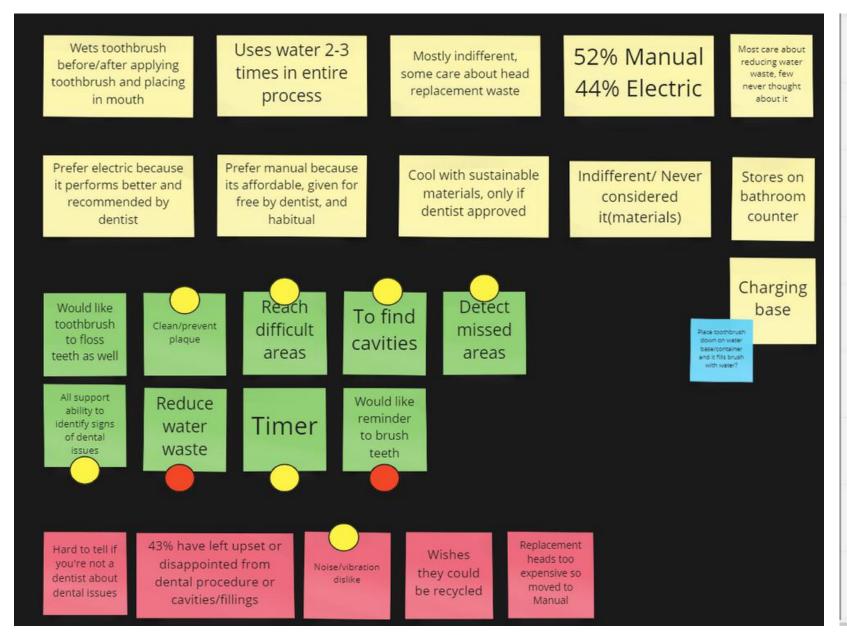


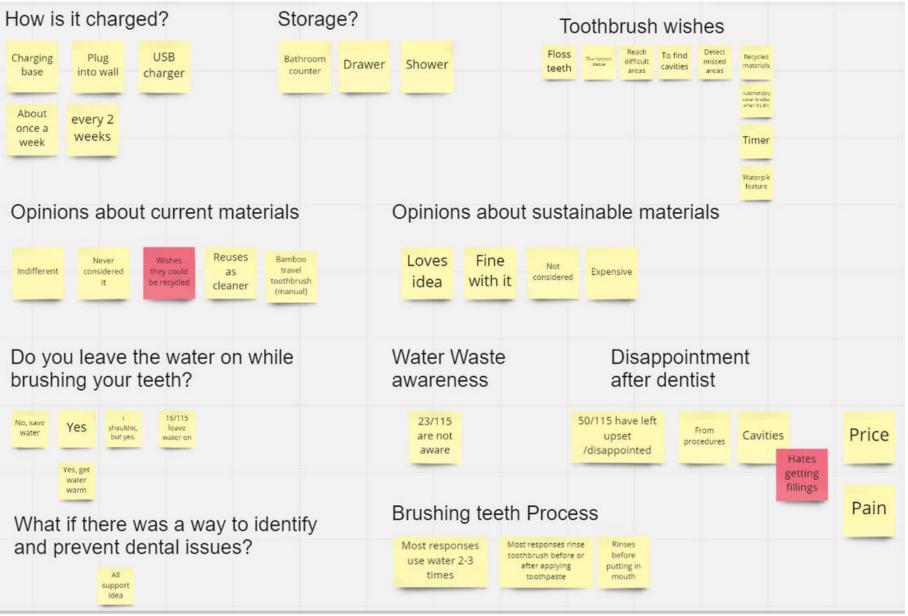




Research

Survey respondent's ages ranged from 30-50s





Interview #1

Female | 22 | College Student

How often do you brush your teeth?

Everynight, sometimes in the morning

Type of toothbrush, why?

Kids Quip toothbrush because it is affordable and I needed a good cheap electric toothbrush. Plus, I sucked at brushing my teeth when I was younger and electric works better. I don't use manual because it doesn't remove plaque well.

How often do change the toothbrush head?

My toothbrush doesn't need to be changed, but I can buy replacements. It hasn't yet needed to change because it's not old.

How do you feel about doing this? What do you want in a toothbrush? Why?

One that will get the plaque off easily, and a timer, that tells when 2 minute mark is up. Can feel plaque

In regards to material choices, how do you feel about current toothbrushes?

Could be more sustainable and they use alot of plastic that ends up getting thrown away a year later, not typically biodegradable, hard to make a wooden electric toothbrush but it would be cool.

What is your opinion of eco-friendly materials like bamboo and recycled plastic instead of the usual plastic for toothbrushes?

Would like to see a bamboo or wooden electric toothbrush, I know it's tricky but it would be cool

Interview #1 cont'd

Female | 22 | College Student

Do you leave the water on while brushing your teeth? If so, why? If not, why not? No, because it's a waste of water. I just turn it on to wet my toothbrush

Are you aware of how much water is wasted when brushing your teeth?

If its on for 5 minutes that can be a whole gallon. Doesn't seem like a long time but its a lot.

Has there ever been a time when you left the dentist disappointed or upset? Not really, just when they make my gums hurt.

Have you ever been diagnosed with any oral disease or cavity, issue that could've been prevented?

Only when I was younger, I had lots of cavities, but you cant detect that as wellHow do you feel about the ability to prevent something like this? Fairly, easily to maintain, but people with mental health programs, it's hard to negate, its preventable but its difficult. Would be nice for a toothbrush that had an app that reminded you to brush your teeth. It's nice to be reminded for a mentally disabled person, don't alway get the signals to do common things, poor self preservation skills.

Hard to tell if you are not a dentist- about dental issues. Normalize handing out signs of tooth decay.

Interview #2

Male | 23 | College Student

How often do you brush your teeth?

Twice a day

Type of toothbrush, why?

75% of the time regular, 25% electric- switches because the noise of the electric toothbrush has a regular at one home and electric at another home. Worried about the noise bothering other people.

Oral B toothbrush, now generic store brand from Aldi's

In regards to material choices, how do you feel about current toothbrushes?

Likes the hard plastic because its easier to clean, slightly bothered by toothpaste stuck on rubber of toothbrush What is your opinion of eco-friendly materials like bamboo and recycled plastic instead of the usual plastic for toothbrushes? Would be concerned about when its getting wet, how the material reacts when it's wet. Doesn't know enough about wooden toothbrush to feel comfortable

Interview #2 cont'd

Male | 23 | College Student

Do you leave the water on while brushing your teeth? If so, why? If not, why not?

No, because it feels wasteful.

Are you aware of how much water is wasted when brushing your teeth?

Yes, not sure of exact measurement. Does not want to leave it on the whole 3 minutes,

Has there ever been a time when you left the dentist disappointed or upset?

Walkthrough the process of brushing your teeth.

Wake up, grabs toothbrush rinses, turns off water, puts toothpaste on brush, then runs toothpaste under water, then brushes, occasionally lets water sit during winter for warmer water, spits out with water and rinses brushes, returns brush to holder on the counter/ places in closet outside of door.

Other responses

- Leaves the water running while they are flossing, but turns it off when brushing teeth
- A lot of interviewees/observations like to rinse their toothbrushes before brushing.
- Wouldn't mind a combination similar to a waterpik with brush.
- Turns water on and off while brushing to keep rinsing.

Landscaping & Positioning



ORAL BIOS 9

- Oscillating.
- Warns if you're brushing too hard.
- Uses an interactive color display to help guide cleaning.



COLGATE PLAQLESS PRO

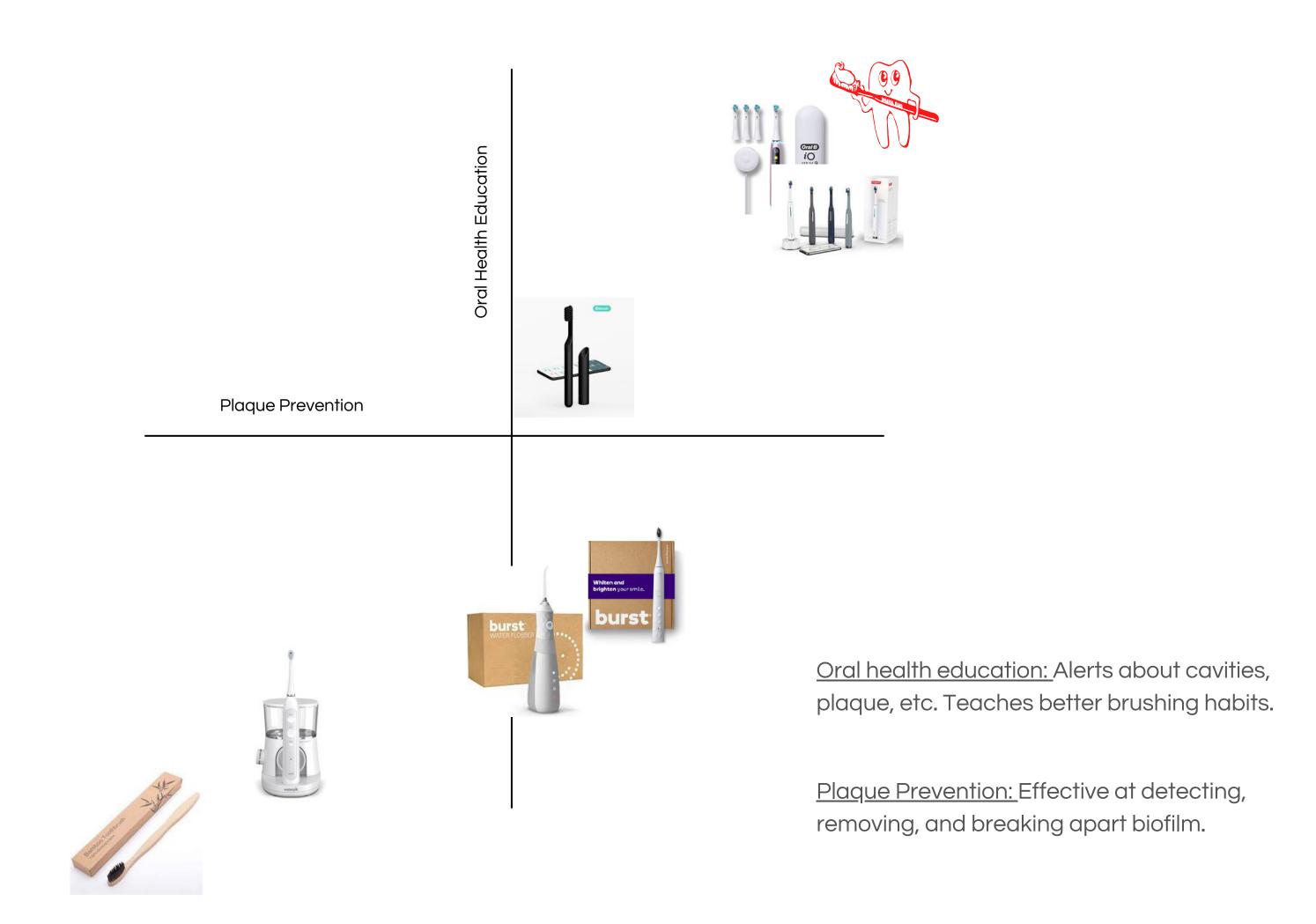
- Sonic.
- Ability to detect plaque with a blue spectrum light.
- O3 Provides live feedback about cleaning progress.
- O4 Interactive app that analyzes your brushing habits.

MY DESIGN

O 1 Ultrasonic toothbrush that breaks down and removes biofilm.

- Bristles are infused with activated Pholoxine B that detects and visually shows plaque buildup.
- Tactile and visual responses signal tooth decay, plaque buildup, and completion of cleaning.

- Less physical work for users.
- Reduces trips to the dentist and saves water!



FUNCTION

The corrective action presented is easy to understand. Such as the Quip app.

Plaque residue, tooth decay, and missed areas are easily identified and minimized by TBD, such as Colgate Plaqless Pro.

The hygiene data presented to the end-user is as intuitive and engaging to interpret. Such as the Oral-B iO Series 9 app.

Reduces water waste by 50%, such as the Waterpik Flosser.

FORM

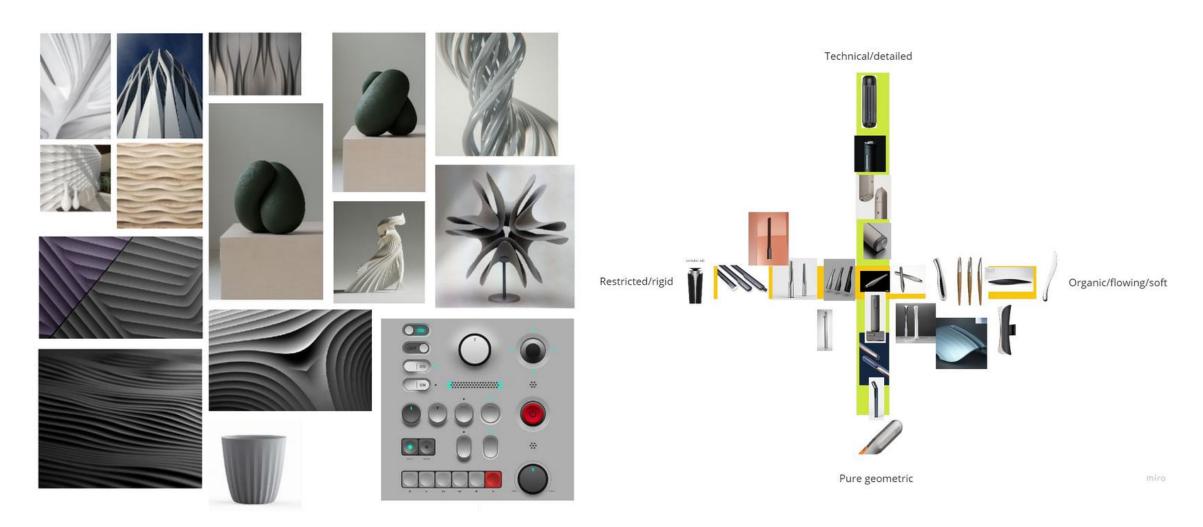
Overall size, weight, and hand fit are the same as the typical electric toothbrush on the current market.

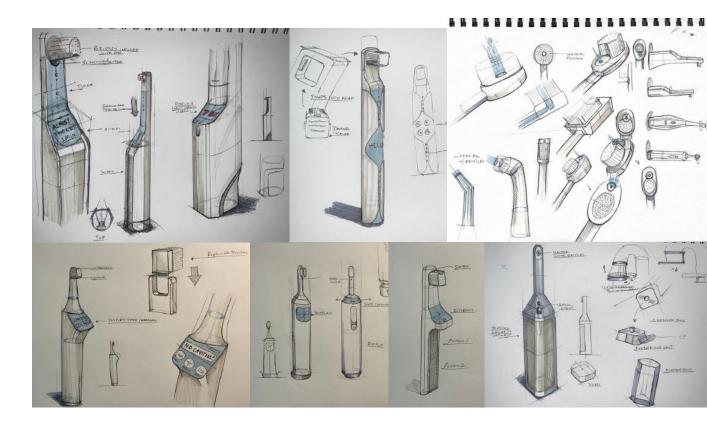
The aesthetic primary read is confidence. Chanel No. 5

The aesthetic secondary read is reassurance.

Fits seamlessly into the user's storage environment.

Original Moodboard





Direction Refinement

User Needs based on Surveys

Reduce annoying vibration sound and feeling.

Reach difficult spots.

Keep track of brushing time.

Less reliance on the dentist.

To feel reassured about their oral health.

Alert about missed areas, plaque, and cavities.

Identify early signs of dental issues.

Reduce water waste.

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Design Criteria

Easily identifies and minimizes plaque, tooth decay, and missed areas.

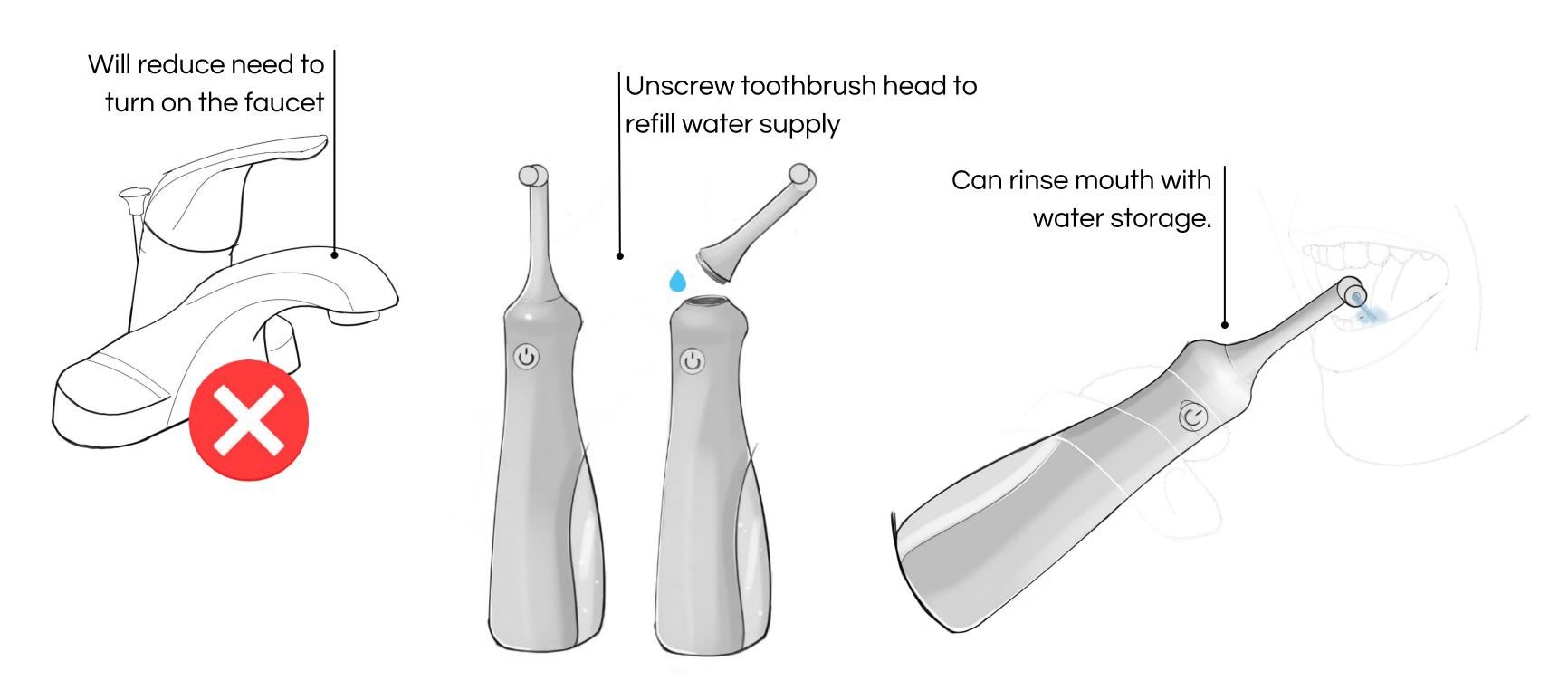
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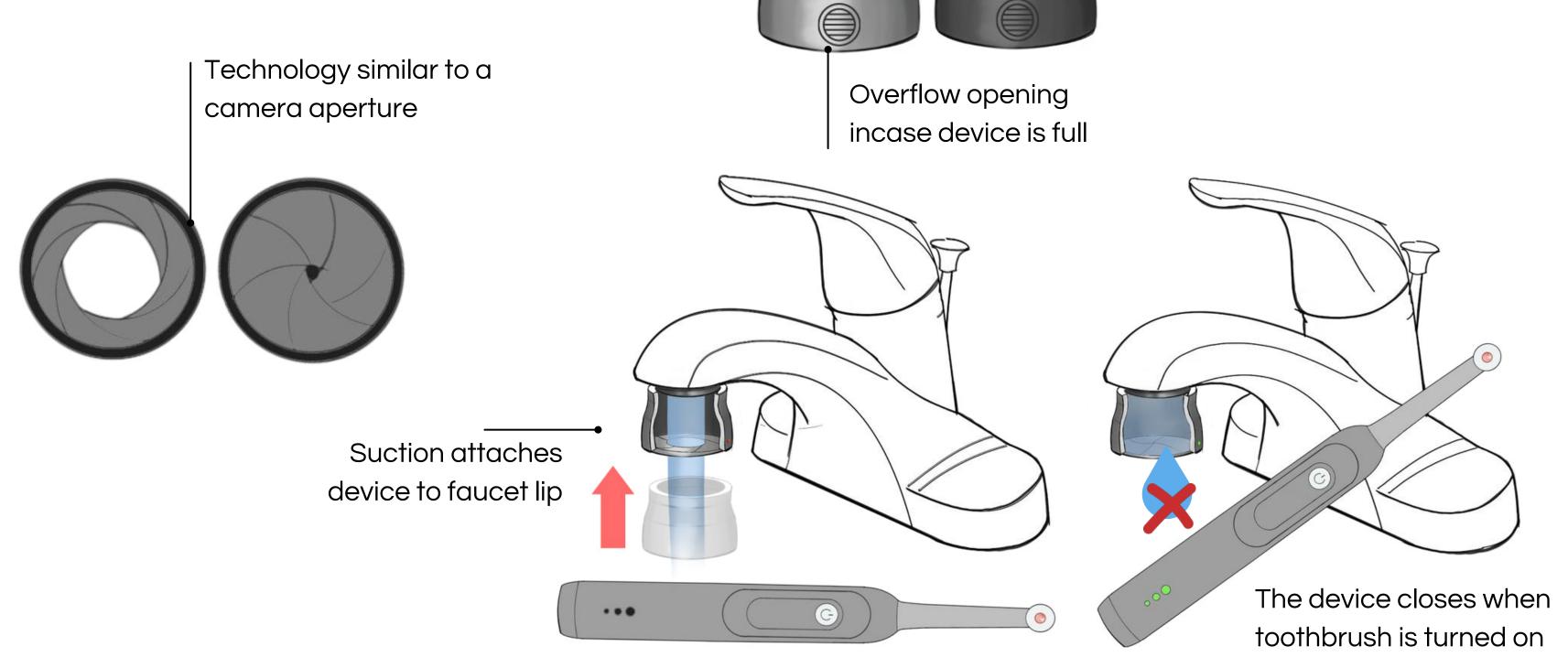
Limits accidental or purposeful water waste

End User Feedback for various concepts

Water Conservation: Inner Storage



Water Conservation: Faucet Timer





Easy to install and use

Appears unobtrusive

Notification





Concerns about the shut-off feature

Unnecessary complexity

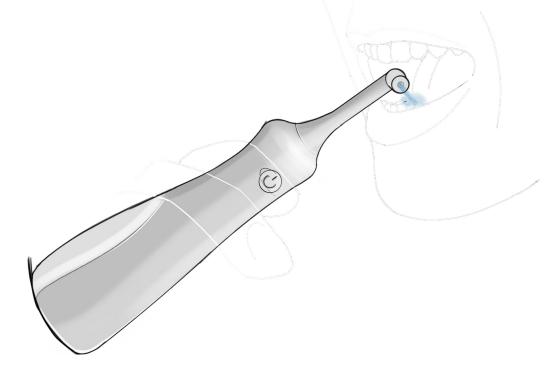
Annoying

Time span for water differs too much from time to time

The less water used the better.

It disconnects people from the running faucet altogether

Does not restrict their actions.

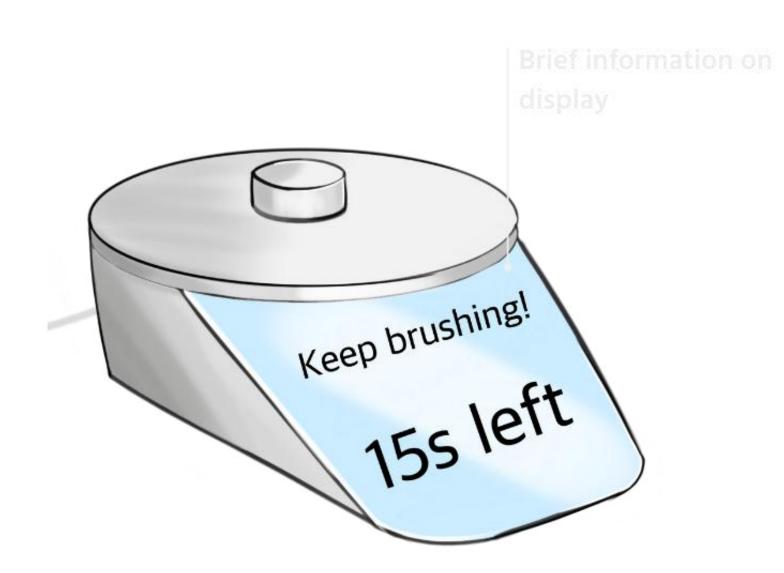


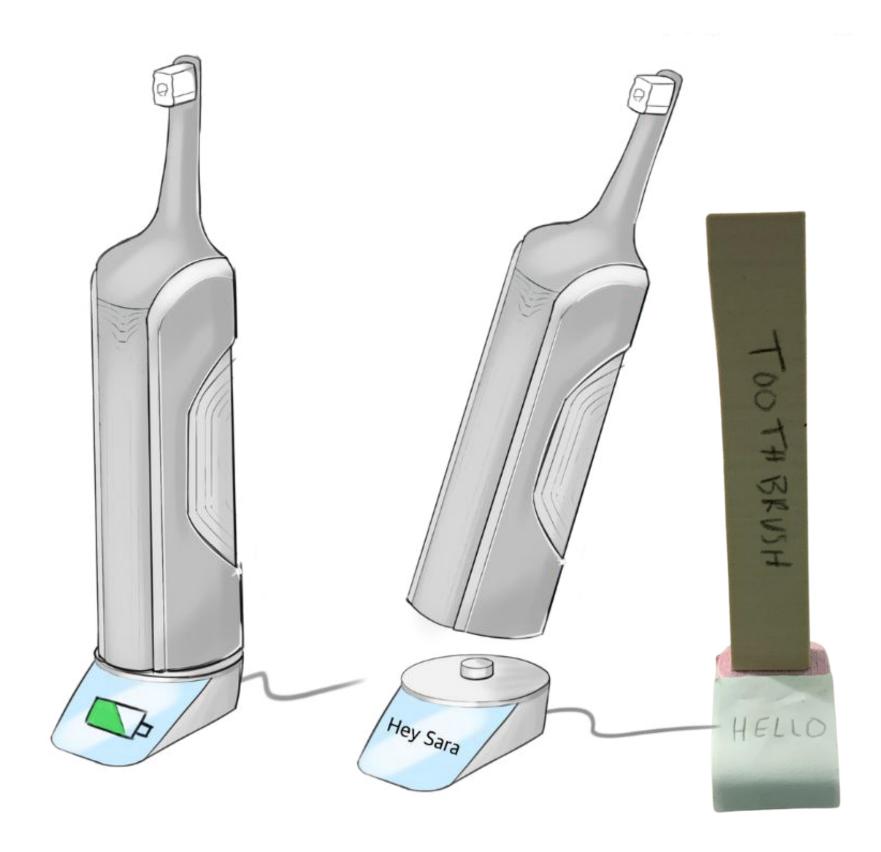
Not keen on rinsing from a reservoir within the toothbrush.

Potential for mold growth.

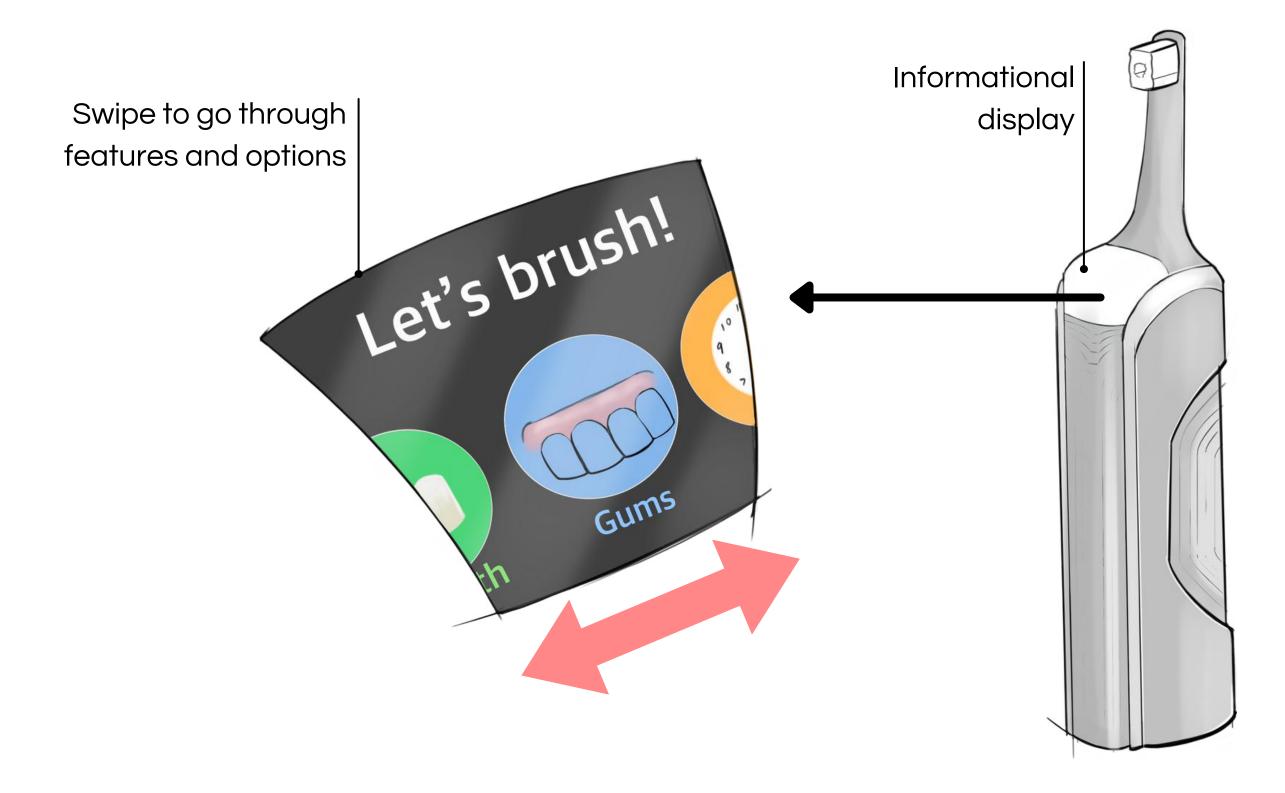
Concerned for weight of toothbrush while filled with water.

Informational Display on Toothbrush Charging Station





Informational Display on Toothbrush





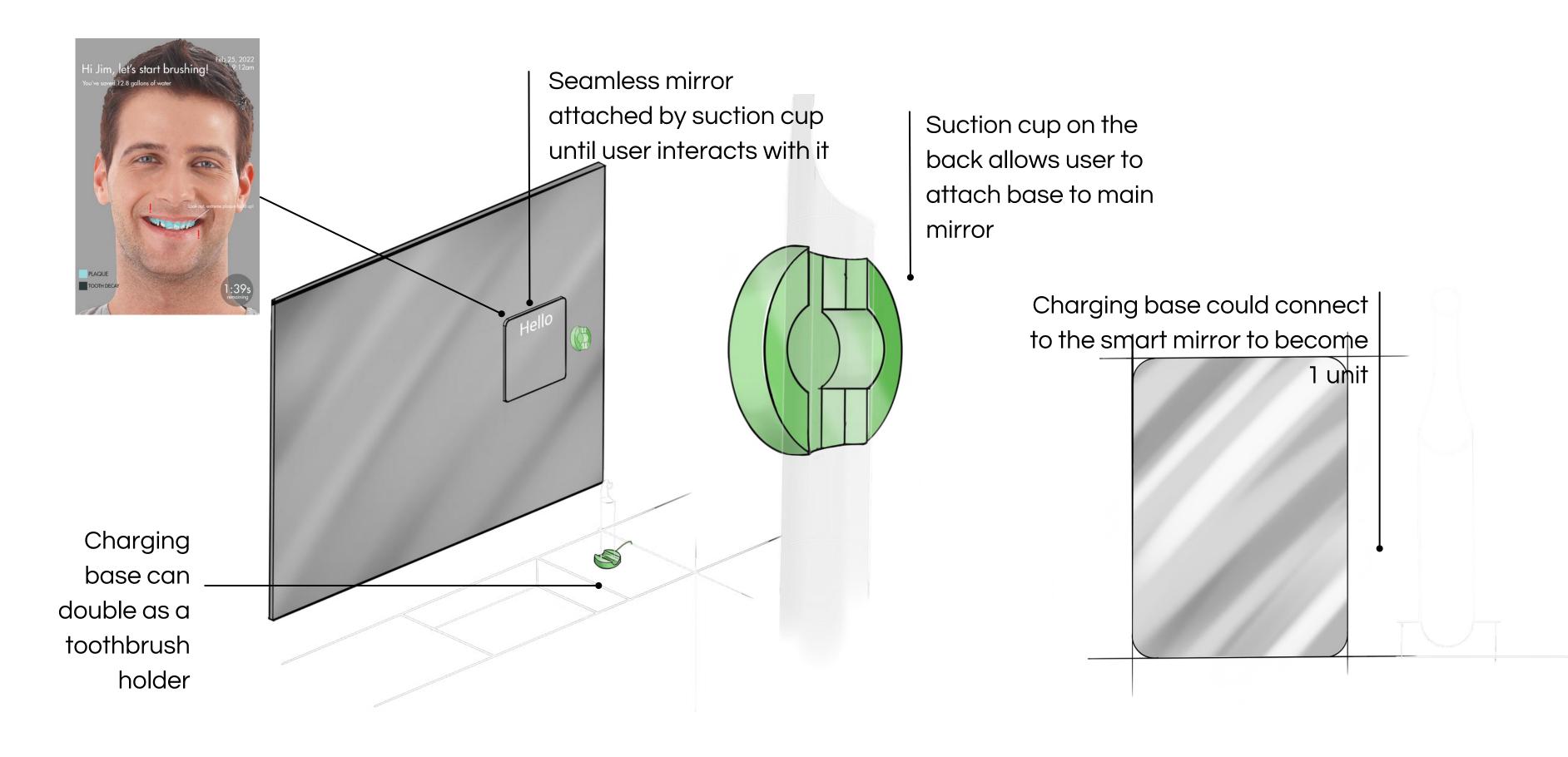


Example of how the Smart Mirror display would look.





Smart Mirror attachable to Main Mirror









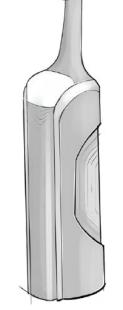


Typography will be too small

Hard to read



Similar to Oral BiO



I can't see it while brushing

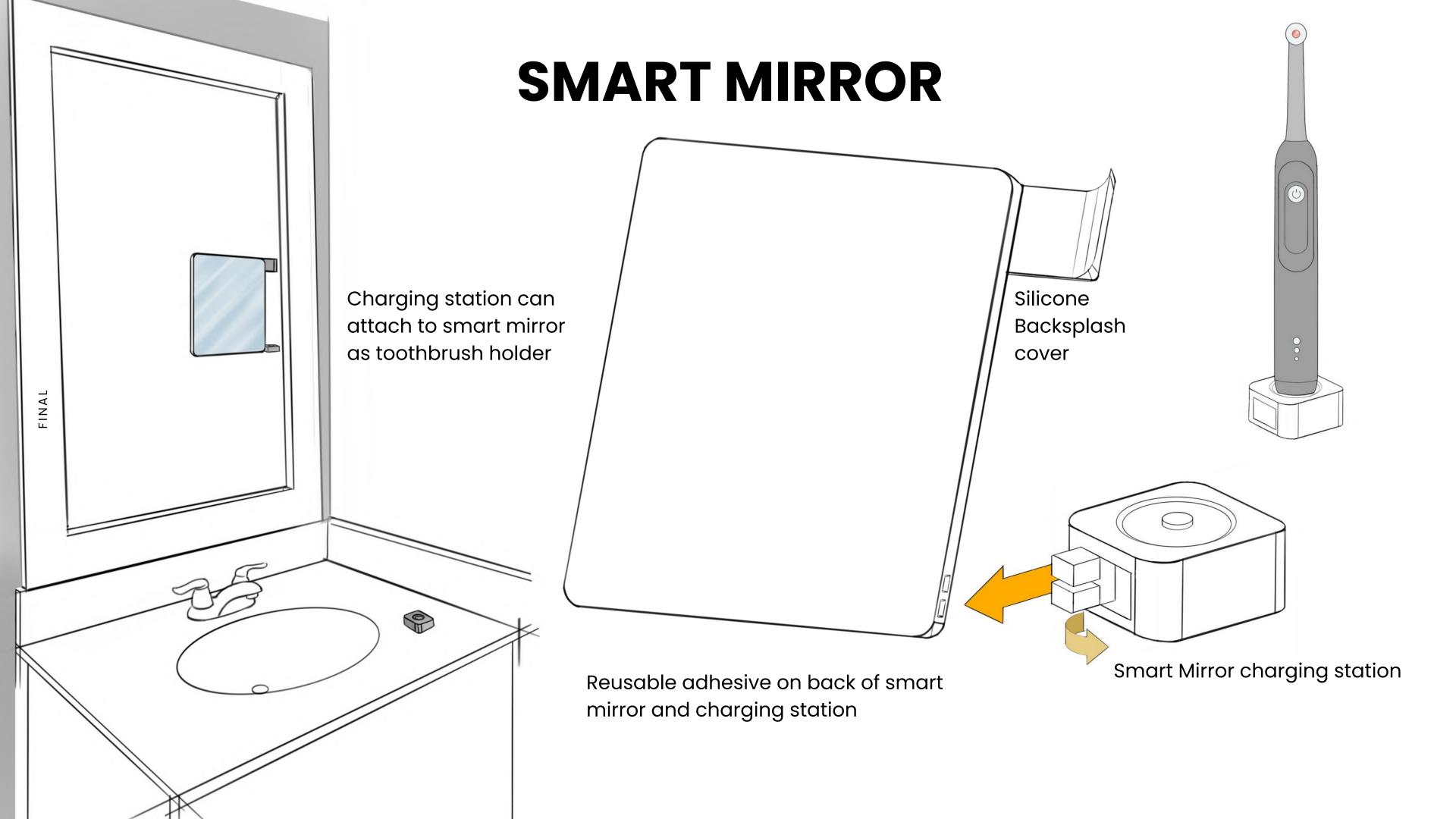
Eliminates the need to take your phone/app in the bathroom.

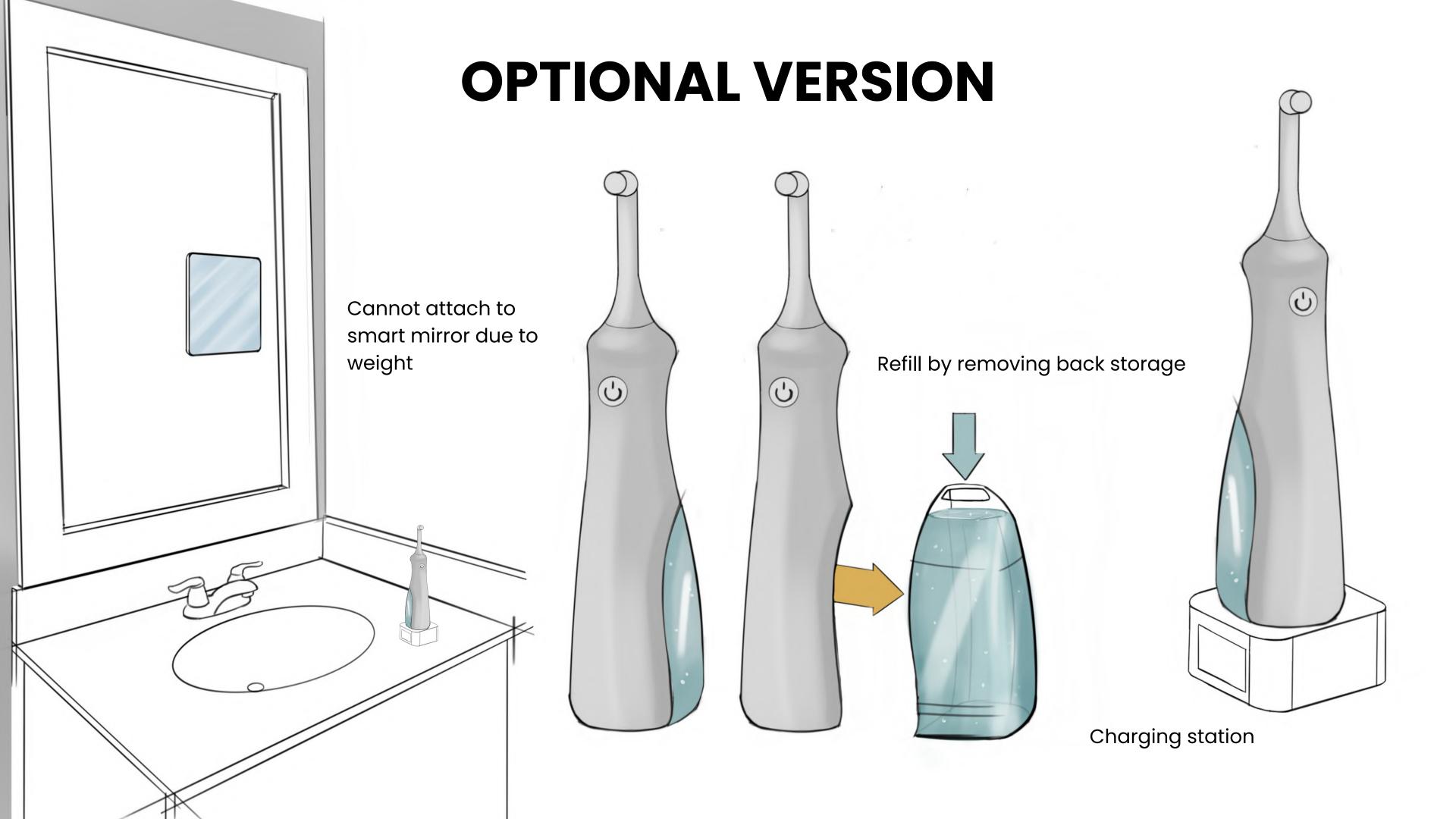
I can watch it in real time



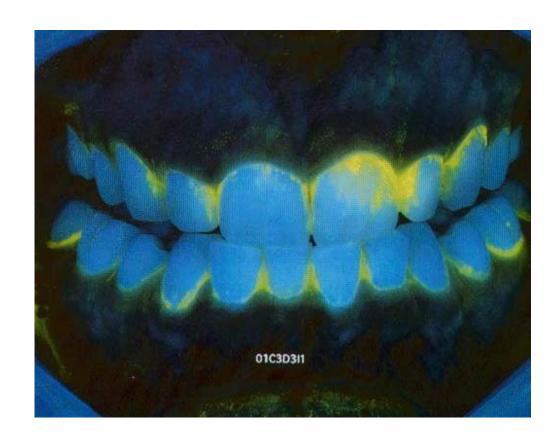
Need to bend down to see into the mirror due to my height

Concept Refinements





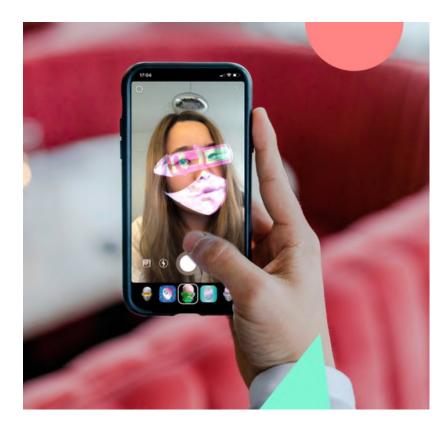
HOW WILL THIS WORK?



UV light on plaque



Light reflections on tooth decay



AR Technology

The intraoral camera can also be used to detect cavities because it has a blacklight that can be used to induce fluorescence (basically, a glow) in your teeth. Healthy areas will glow more, but areas that are decayed glow less.

Concept Development

Research for the toothbrush for development.

Bristle patterns

Block: A brush with block patterned bristles has all the bristles the same length and aligned neatly like a block.

Wavy or V-shaped: A brush with wavy or v-shaped bristles has bristles that form a v-shape from a side view. This design is meant to give you better access to the areas around tooth surfaces.

Multilevel trim pattern: Multilevel brushes help clean difficult areas between teeth and on the tooth head.

Criss-cross pattern: Brushes with criss-cross patterns and rubber bristles on the sides help to lift up plaque effectively.

Polishing bristles: Brushes with multilevel bristles and rubber-like circles at the centre help clean surface stains.

Oscillating(rotating) toothbrush works better than vibrating

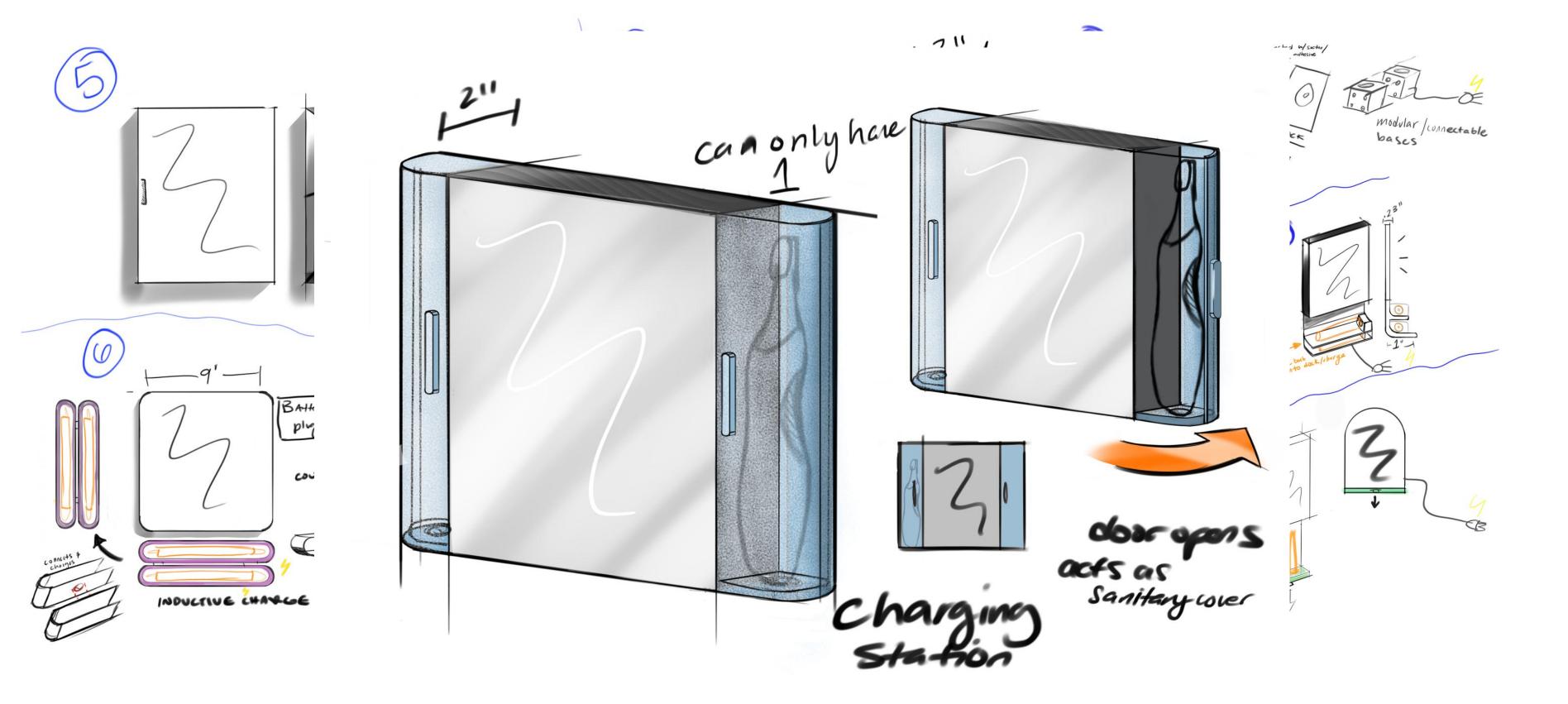
Avoid sonic(back and forth bristle movement, user has to move brush back and forth)- has annoying noise/vibration

Ultrasonic- best movement, less work for user, just has to place on tooth, the bristles are vibrating at ultrasonic frequencies

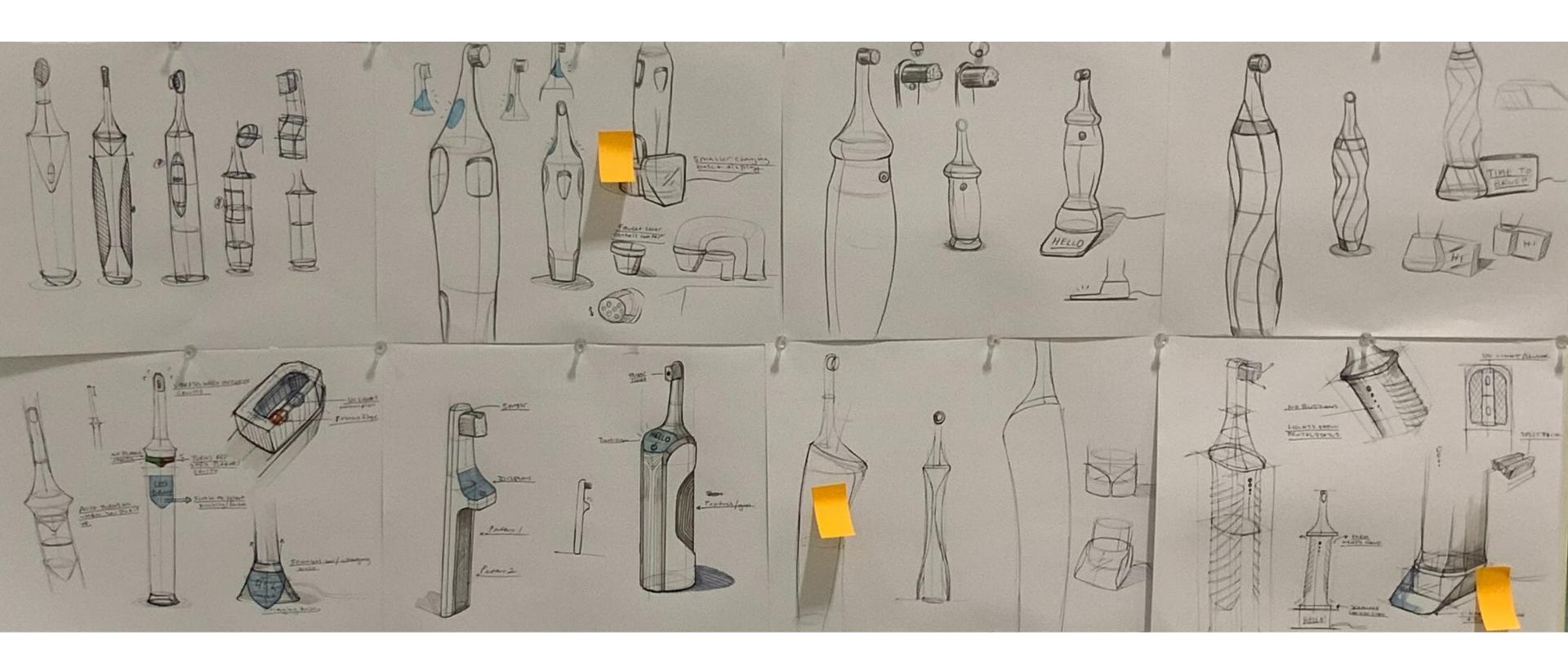
Conventional toothbrush heads are rectangular and are designed to effective clean the surface of each tooth.

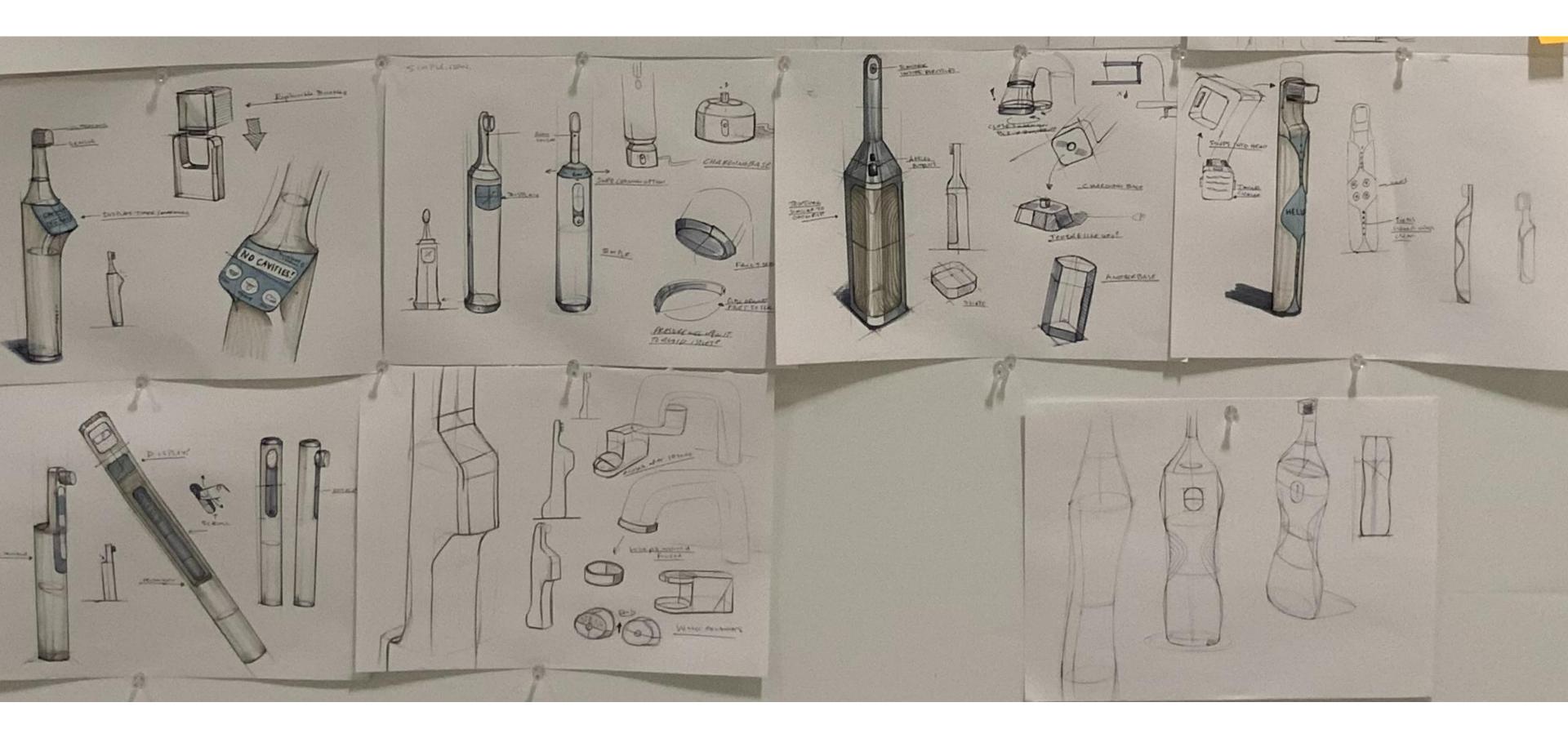
Diamond toothbrush heads are, as the name suggests, diamond shaped and slightly more narrow than conventional toothbrush heads. Diamond toothbrush heads are to help you reach the teeth in the back.

Moving forward, I decided not to continue with the water conservation because it didn't add anything to my goals.











I refined my concept sketches into more concentrated variations







UltraSight

The Electric Toothbrush that let's you see.



Design Language

Quarter 2





Your oral health journey is important to maintain and support.



Using UltraSight is like that first exhale of relief after seeing your improving dental health.



That feeling when you think "I got this!"











STATUESQUE FIGURE

Firm confidence and trust portrayed through soft geometry that supports the complex product.



FLOWING TRANSITION

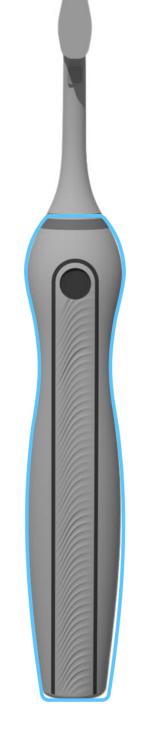
A simplistic and smooth surfacing symbolizes the path to better oral health with the help of UltraSight.



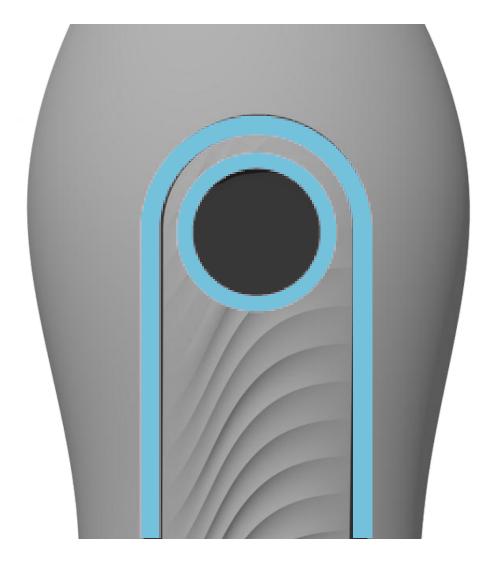
CLEAN INTERACTION

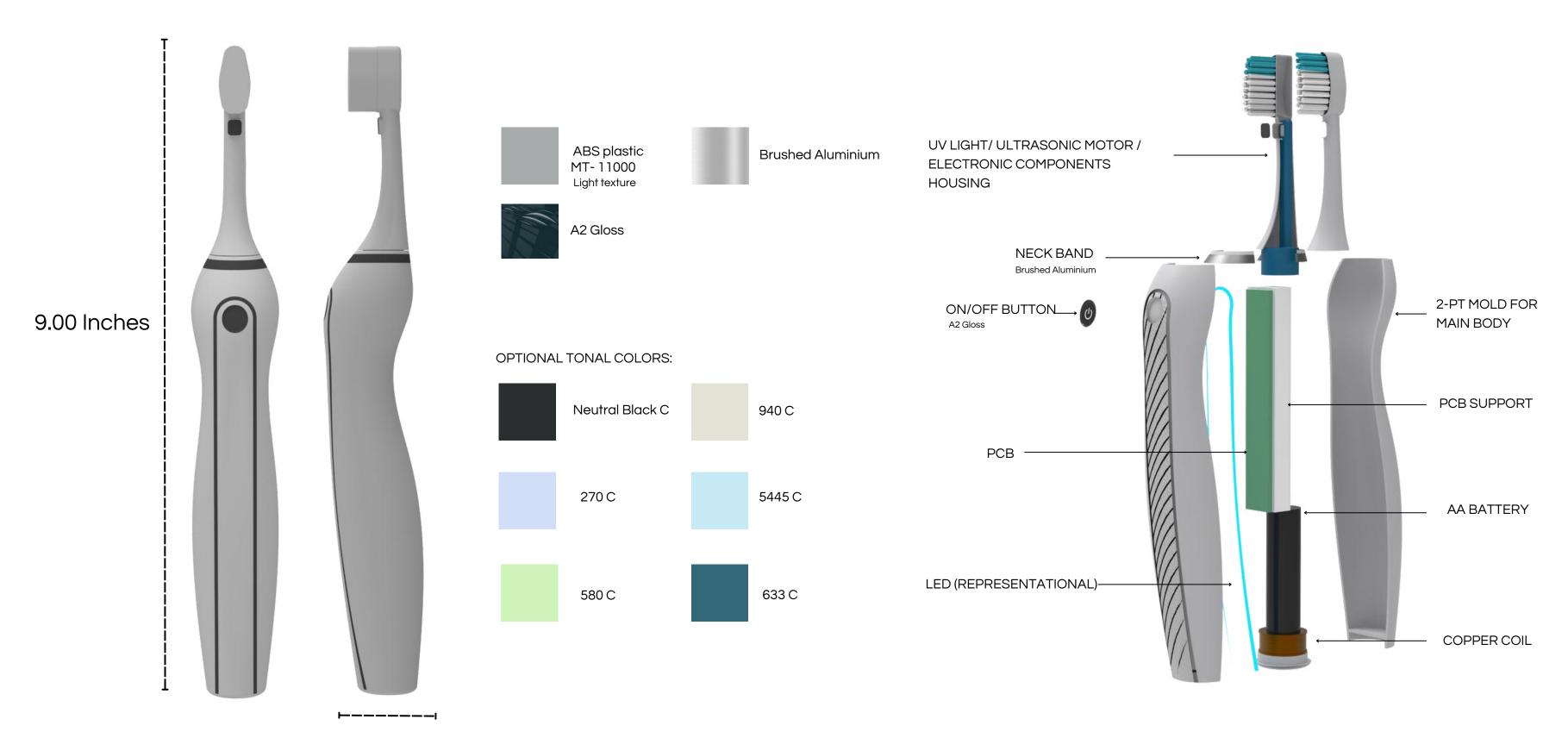
Simple geometric lines bring focus to the power button and toothbrush body.

SIGNATURE ELEMENTS







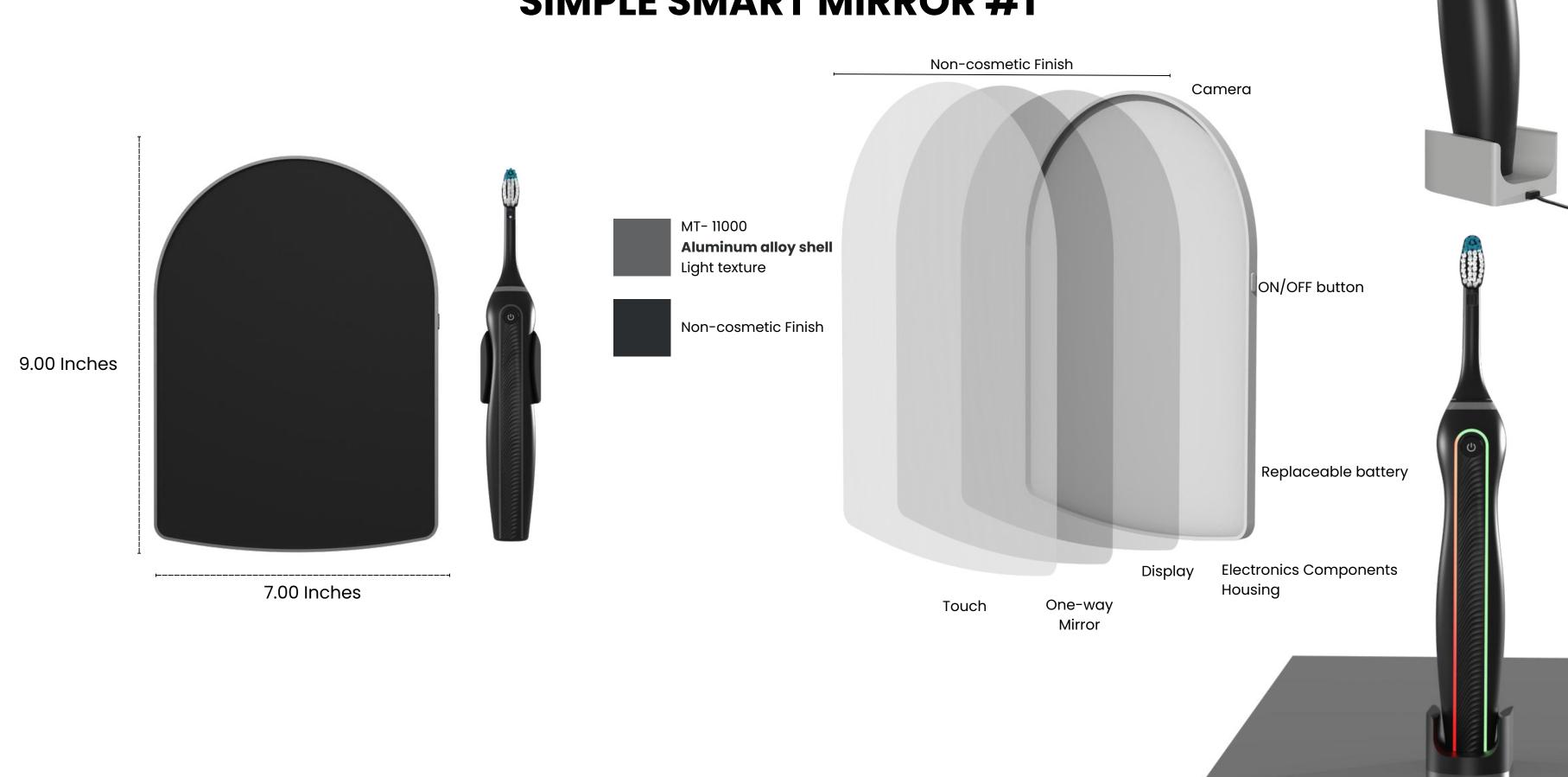


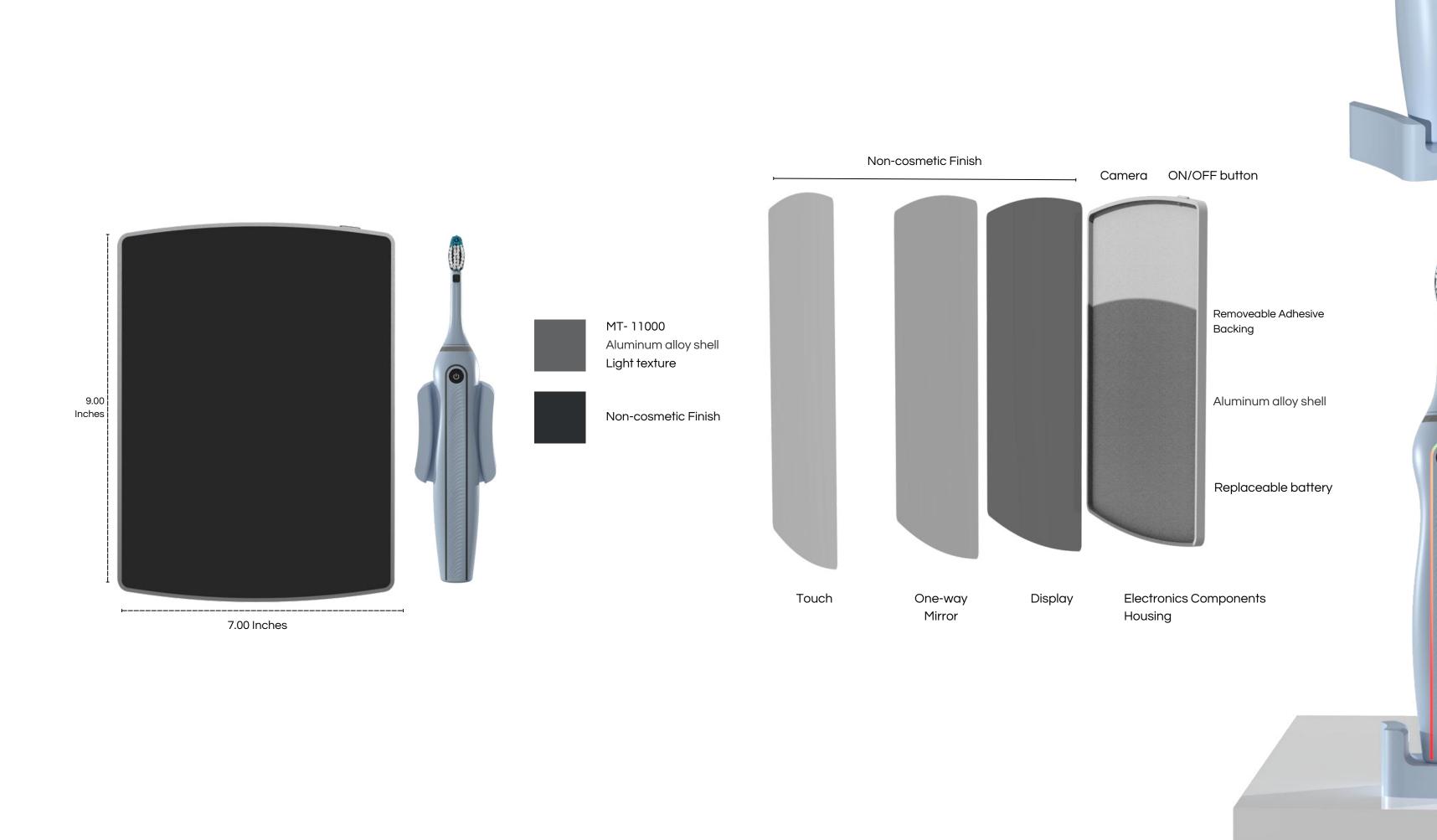
1.25 Inches

PULL DOWN SMART MIRROR

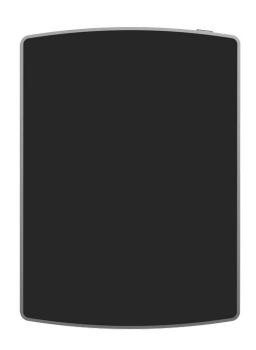


SIMPLE SMART MIRROR #1





VALUE PROPOSITION



Detects plaque and cavities and shows through a real-time display.



Form language stands out from most electric toothbrushes.



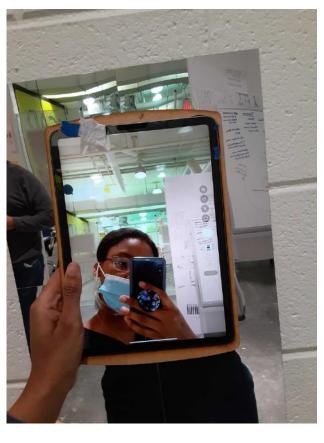
Supports user by sending information to the dentist and sending a tactile and visual feedback reaction.

Final Concept & Images

Quarter 2









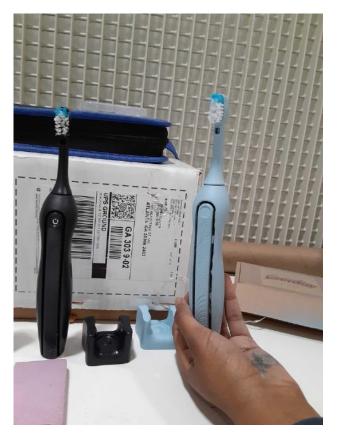
I began with pink foam to prototype the form and how my iPad would be placed inside.

Then after measuring, I laser cut MDF to fit the iPad.

Finally, I spray-painted the MDF to resemble the metal of the Smart Mirror.







I 3D printed my Solidworks 3D model and began to sand and spray-paint it, and add bristles to resemble the final CMF.

In terms of how ergonomic it was, it was an immediate success on the first try, so I kept the form.

