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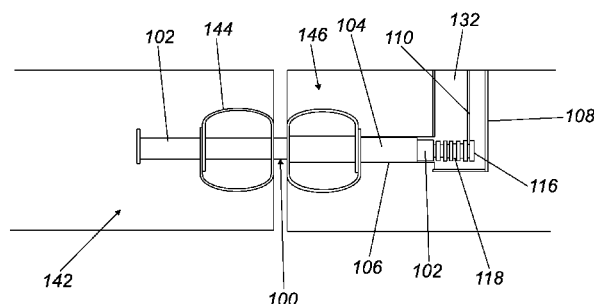


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A connector comprising a guide tube, and a dowel, the guide tube being arranged to receive an end of the dowel, characterised by the end of the dowel passing through the guide tube into a fixing chamber via an orifice, the fixing chamber being arranged to receive a fixing means, the fixing means being arranged to restrict the motion of the dowel within the guide tube.

