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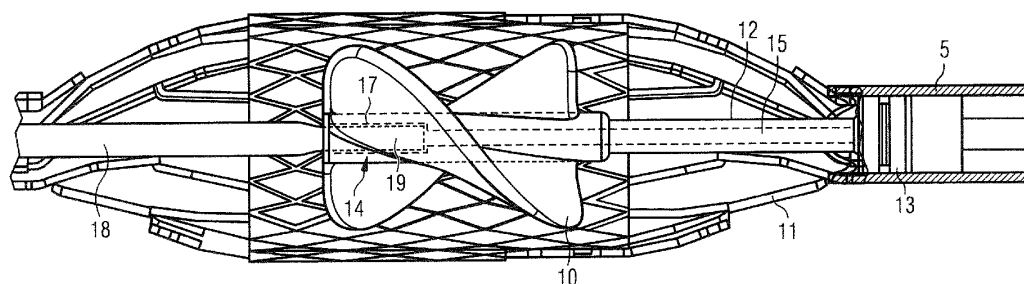
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FIG 4A



(57) Abstract: An intravascular blood pump (1) comprises a pumping device and a catheter (5). The pumping device comprises a drive shaft (12), a rotor (10) located at a distal end of the drive shaft (5), a housing (11), in which the rotor (10) is housed, and a distal bearing (14) for rotatably supporting a distal end of the rotor (10). The distal bearing (14) comprises a static support member (18), which protrudes into or up against the distal end of the rotor (10). The rotor (10) and housing (11) may be expandable, and the pin (19) may have a sufficient length to prevent disengagement of the pin (19) from the distal end of the rotor (10) when the rotor (10) and the housing (11) are in a collapsed state.