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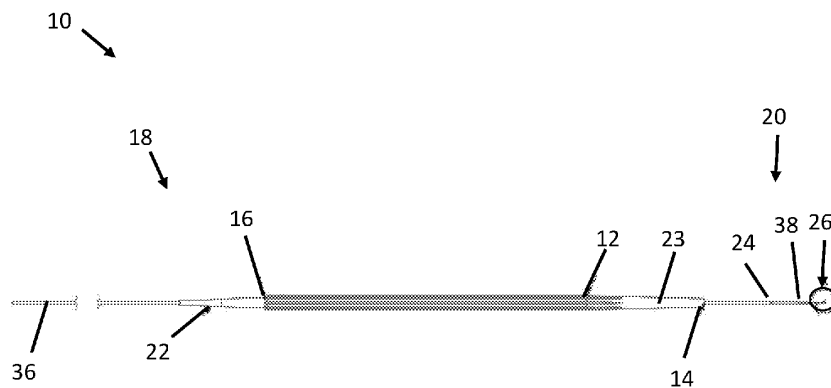


Fig. 1

(57) **Abstract:** A device (10) to deliver fluid to an ear includes: a handle portion (12) including a proximal end and a distal end; a needle sub-assembly (26) coupled to the distal end of the handle portion (12) and including a bent needle (38); and tubing (36) coupled to the proximal end of the handle portion (12). The bent needle (38) extends through the handle portion (12) and fluidly connects directly to the tubing (36).

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