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ABSTRACT

HIGH STRENGTH CORE FOR WIRE ROPES

Extruded polymeric rod 7 is elongated in the solid state by being drawn through a forming device 4 to produce a solid polymeric core 8 having an orientated structure which comprises elongated crystals orientated in the axial direction of the core 8. The core may also comprise crystals additionally orientated in respective radial directions 23. The single rod may be replaced by a bundle of rods.

(Figures 1 and 4)

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