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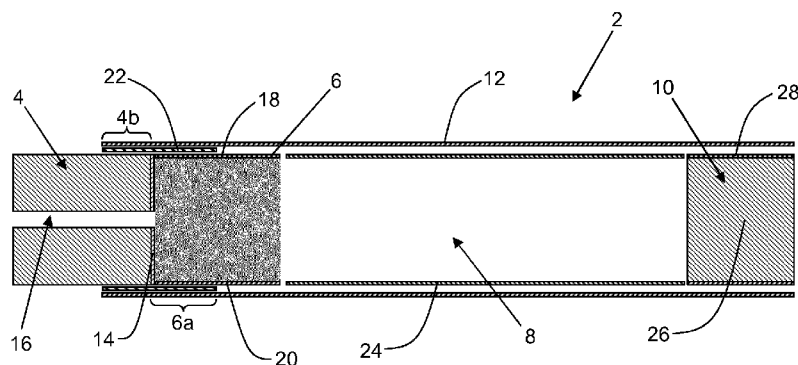


Figure 1

(57) **Abstract:** A smoking article (2) comprises a combustible heat source (4) with opposed front and rear faces and at least one air-flow channel (16) extending from the front face to the rear face of the combustible heat source (4) and an aerosol-forming substrate (6) comprising at least one aerosol former downstream of the combustible heat source (4). A non-metallic, non-combustible, gas-resistant, first barrier coating (14) is provided on substantially the entire rear face of the combustible heat source (4).