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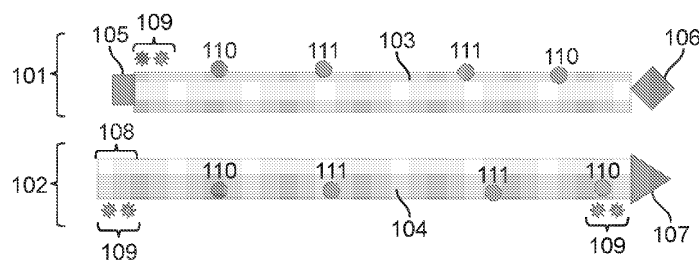


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: Disclosed herein are short interfering nucleic acid (siNA) molecules comprising modified nucleotides and uses thereof. The siNA molecules may be double stranded and comprise modified nucleotides selected from 2'-O-methyl nucleotides and 2'-fluoro nucleotides. Further disclosed herein are siNA molecules comprising (a) a phosphorylation blocker, conjugated moiety, or 5'-stabilized end cap; and (b) a short interfering nucleic acid (siNA).

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