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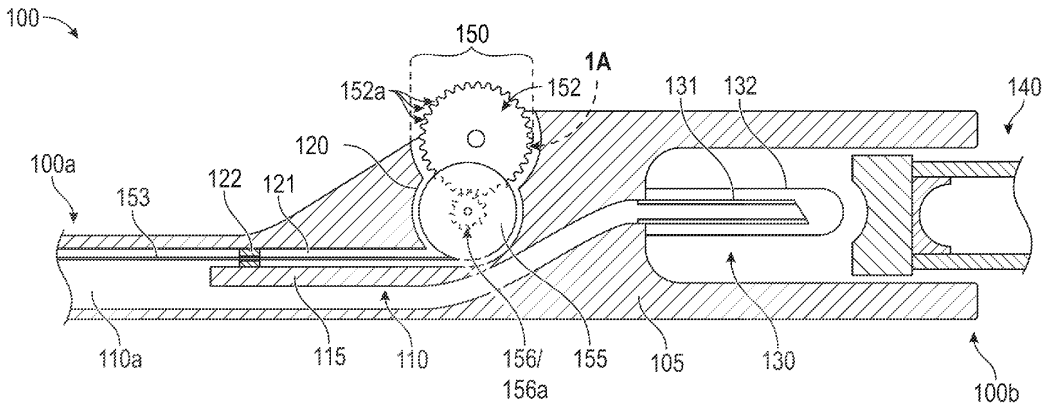


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A probe delivery device can include a probe delivery mechanism that facilitates advancing a probe through an IV catheter. The probe delivery mechanism can be housed within a compartment of the probe delivery device and can include a probe that extends from the compartment into a fluid pathway formed within the probe delivery device. A portion of the probe delivery mechanism can extend out from the housing to enable a clinician to advance and retract the probe. The probe delivery device may include a vacuum tube receiver or a connector to enable a blood draw or fluid injection to be performed using the probe delivery device.

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