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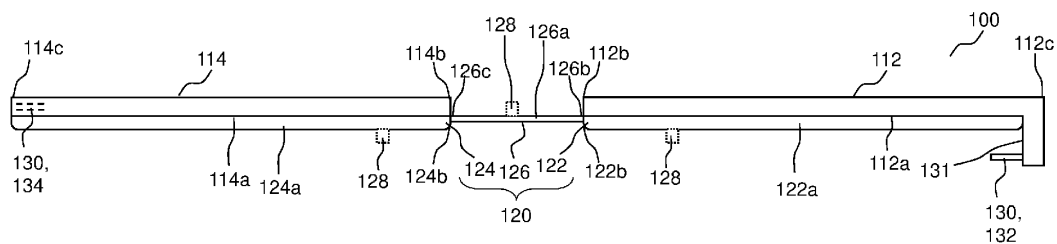


FIG. 1A

(57) Abstract: A gastric restrictive device including two separate elongated rigid members, at least two elongated inflatable paddings respectively along the two elongated rigid members, at least one flexible and extendable hollow tube fluidly interconnecting the at least two elongated inflatable paddings at inner ends thereof, and a two-part interlocking mechanism at outer ends of the two elongated rigid members. The at least one flexible and extendable hollow tube being bendable to fold the two elongated rigid members towards each other into a closed configuration with the two elongated inflatable paddings parallel and opposing each other and with the two-part interlocking mechanism interlockable. The device is attachable to a stomach and the at least two elongated inflatable paddings are inflatable by injecting fluid through the at least one flexible and extendable hollow tube for partially restricting the stomach without damaging the stomach tissue and with maintaining normal physiological functions of the stomach.

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