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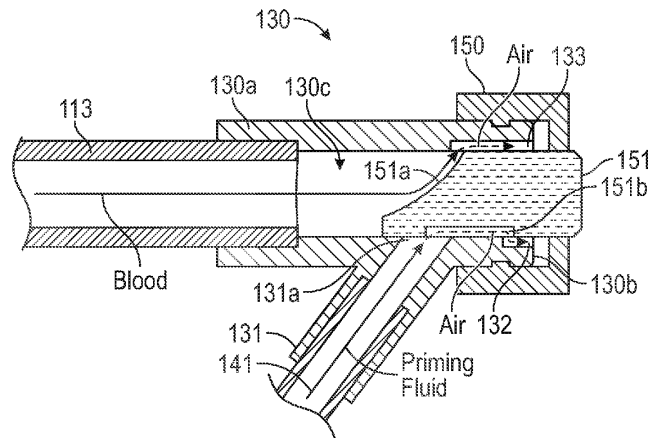


FIG. 1A

(57) Abstract: A vascular access device may have a vented blood collection port. The vented blood collection port can be provided on a side port of the vascular access device that is positioned between a catheter adapter and an extension set. The side port provides separate fluid pathways for collecting blood and injecting fluids to thereby isolate the blood from the extension set. The vented blood collection port may be provided in the form of a septum housing that moves from a blood collection position to a fluid injection position. When in the blood collection position, the septum housing may enable the extension set to be primed and remain primed during a blood draw.

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