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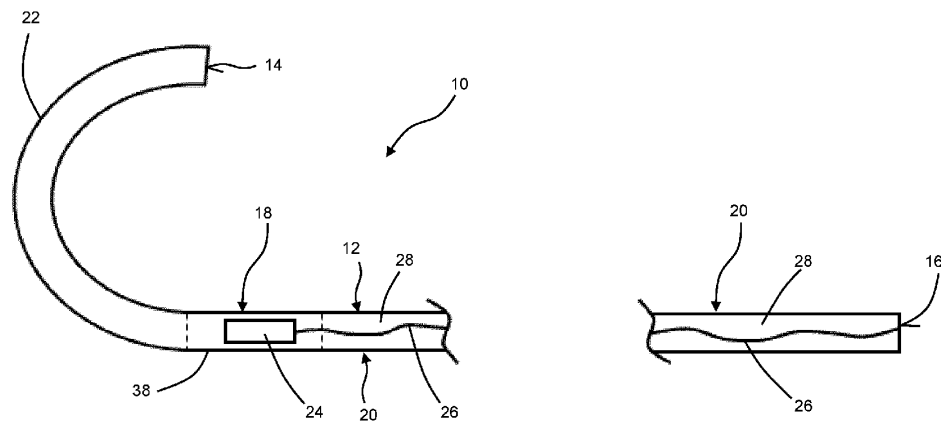


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: The present invention relates to a guidewire (10) for placing a medical device into a patient's body, the guidewire (10) comprising: an elongated main body (12) having a distal axial end (14) and a proximal axial end (16). The elongated main body (12) comprises a first portion (18) having a first stiffness and a second portion (20) having a second stiffness. The first stiffness of the first portion (18) is different from the second stiffness of the second portion (20).

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