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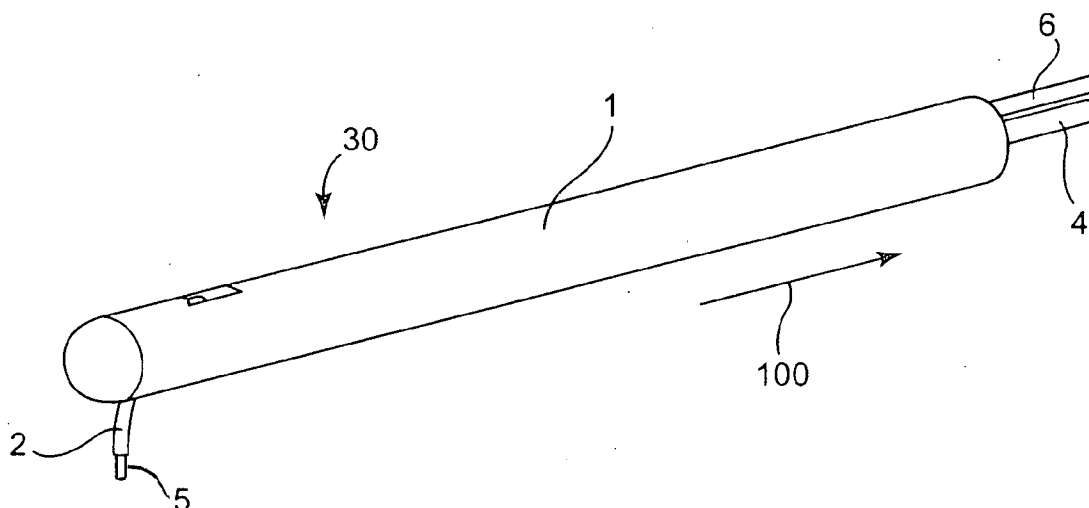
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides surgical drilling devices and methods. An exemplary surgical drilling device in accordance with the present invention comprises a housing, a retractable guide tube assembly, and a flexible cable drill. The retractable guide tube assembly comprises an arcuate guide tube slidingly positioned in a first arcuate channel of the housing. The arcuate guide tube is operatively connected to an actuating rod slidingly positioned in a second channel of the housing wherein the actuating rod controllably advances and retracts the arcuate guide tube. The flexible cable drill comprises a first portion slidingly positioned in the arcuate guide tube and a second portion slidingly positioned in a third channel of the housing.

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