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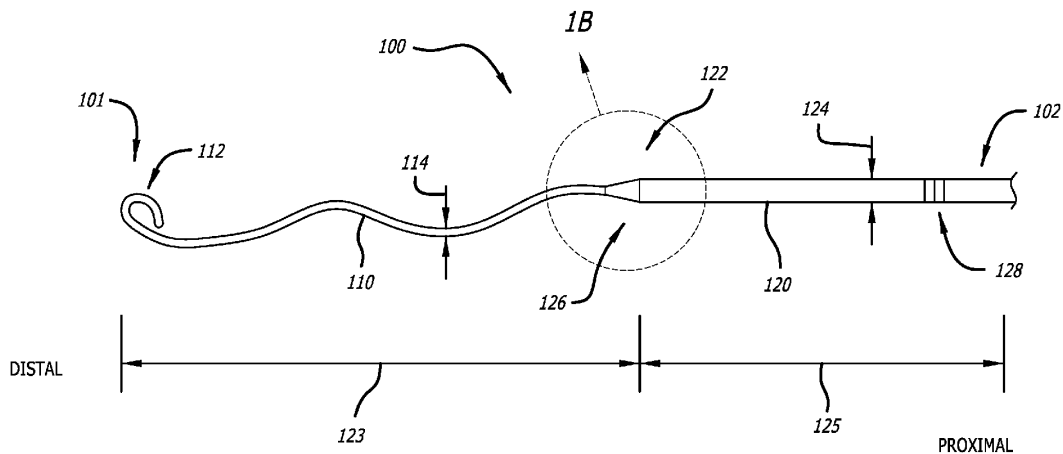


FIG. 1A

(57) Abstract: A section is disclosed for use with a portion assembly. The section can include a solid core section with a distal section having a first diameter, and a proximal section having a second diameter, wherein the second diameter can be greater than the first diameter. The section can include a coil wound around the distal section of the solid core section. The proximal section can have a flexural stiffness that is less than a flexural stiffness of the distal section. A length of the distal section of the section may be shorter than the length of the portion. A length of the proximal section of the section may be longer than the length of the portion.

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