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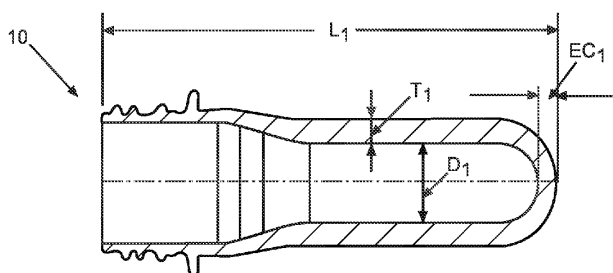


FIG. 1

(57) Abstract: A preform for a biodegradable container wherein the preform includes from about 40 to about 99 weight percent of a polymer derived from random monomeric repeating units having a structure of (I) wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of CH_3 and a C_3 to C_{19} alkyl group, wherein the polymer comprises from about 20 to about 99 wt.% of the preform and wherein the monomeric units wherein $R^1 = CH_3$ comprise 75 to 99 mol percent of the polymer and wherein the preform has a body having a uniform wall thickness throughout the body of the preform. A resin adapted for forming the preform is also disclosed.