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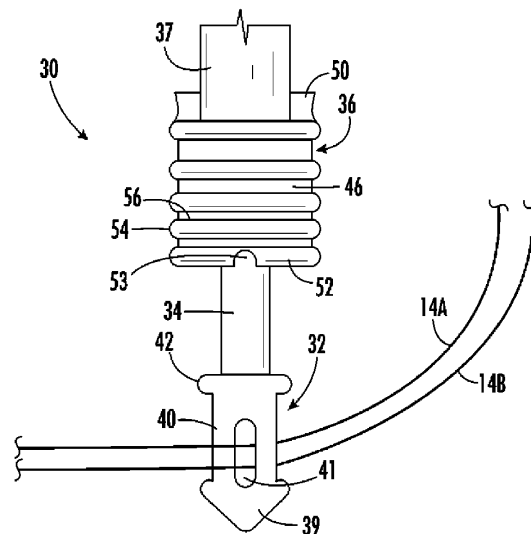


FIG. 2A

(57) Abstract: A suture anchor for use in a knotless, suture-first technique for securing soft tissue to bone comprises a proximal anchor body and a distal tip having an eyelet configured to receive an end of a repair suture. Internal locking elements on the distal tip and the proximal anchor body are provided for locking the tip and anchor body together when the suture anchor is implanted in a bone. A suture assembly for use in an alternate knotless technique comprises a suture anchor, a repair suture, and a shuttle suture. Both the repair suture and the shuttle suture are looped at one end and straight at the other end. In the alternate technique, the loop and tail of the repair suture are manipulated to form a luggage tag configuration extending around the tissue, and the shuttle suture is used to tightly secure the luggage tag configuration and tissue against the bone.

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