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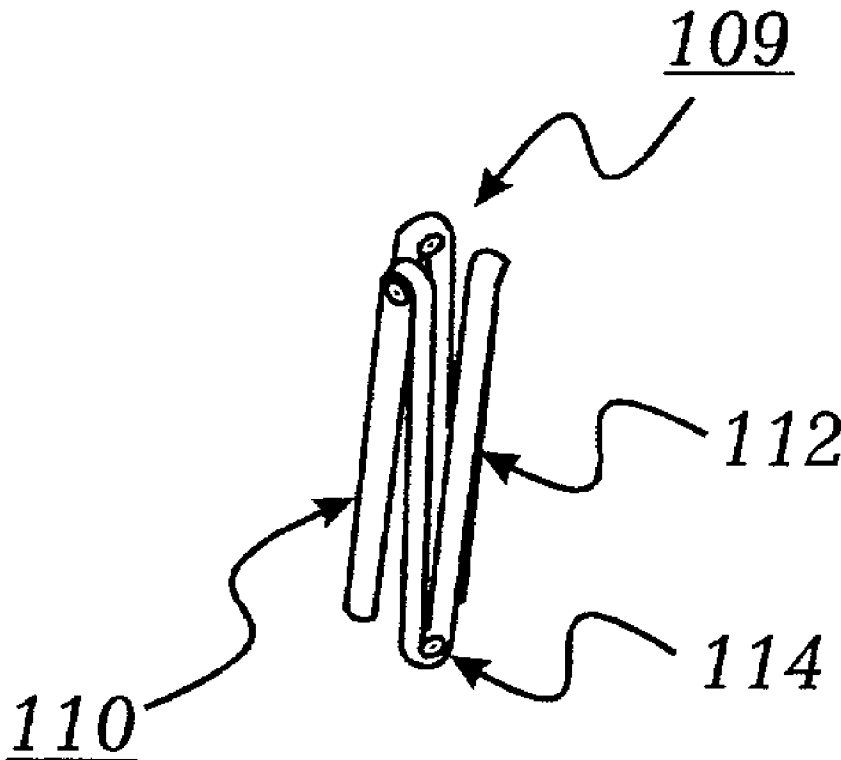
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A cardiovascular valve system including a permanent base unit that is affixed to the patient using conventional sutures or staples, and a collapsible valve having a collapsible frame that mates with the permanent base unit, and supports valve leaflets. An installed collapsible frame may be re-collapsed and disengaged from the permanent housing. A new collapsible valve is then installed, to resume the function of the prosthesis.

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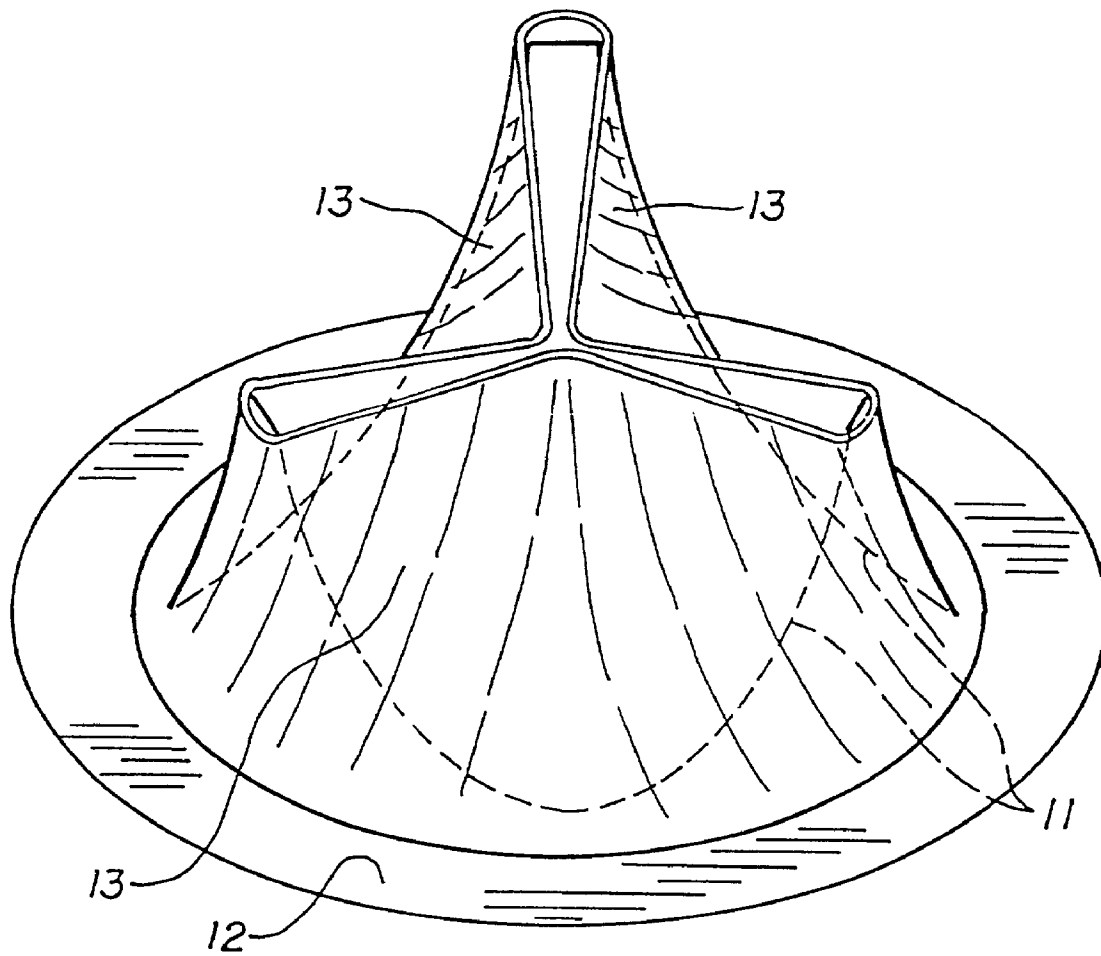


Fig. 1
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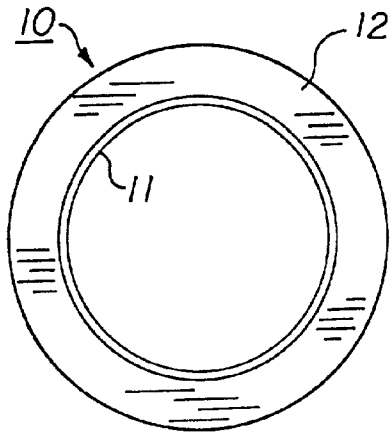


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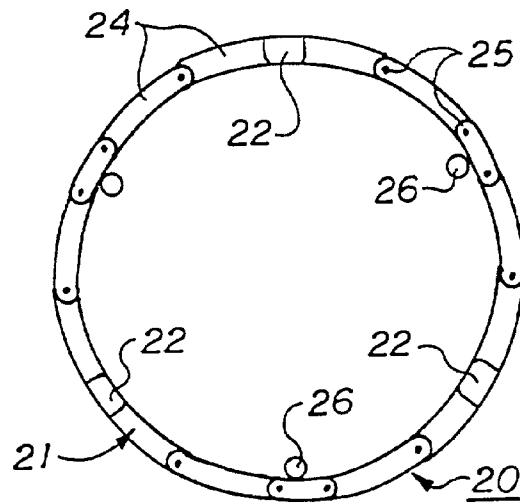


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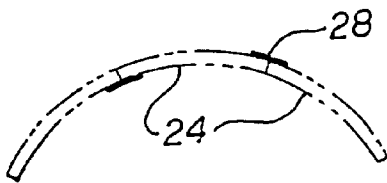


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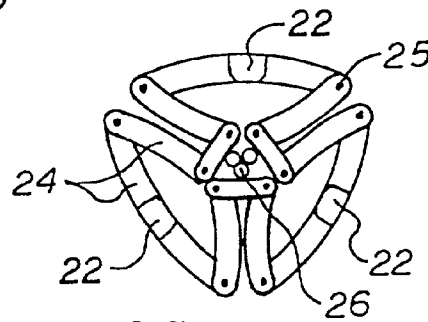


Fig. 3C



Fig. 4B

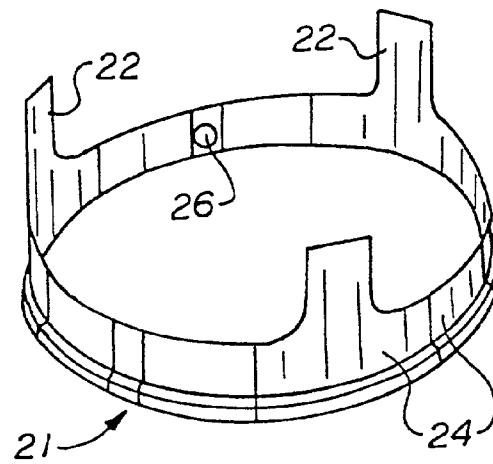


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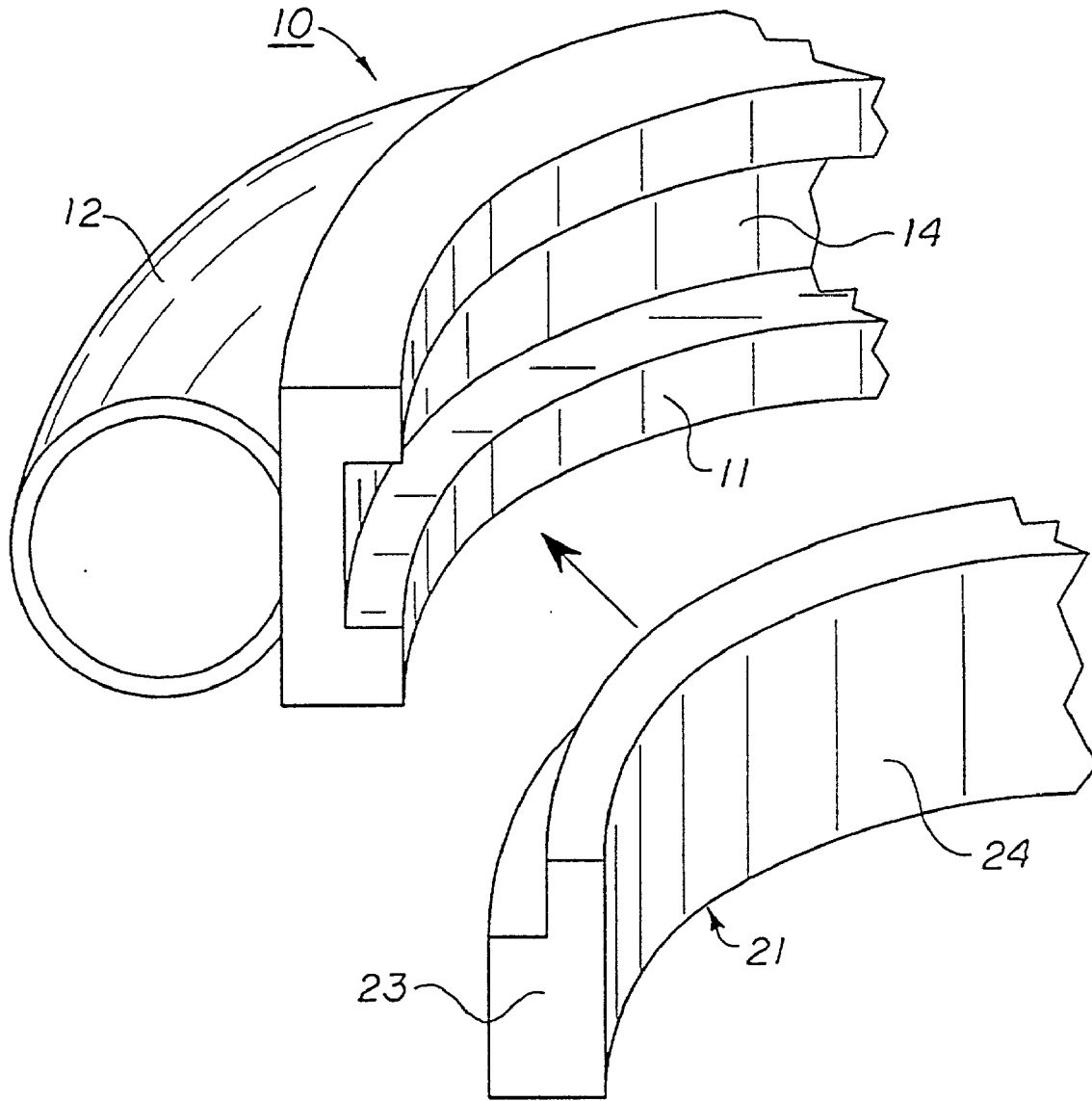
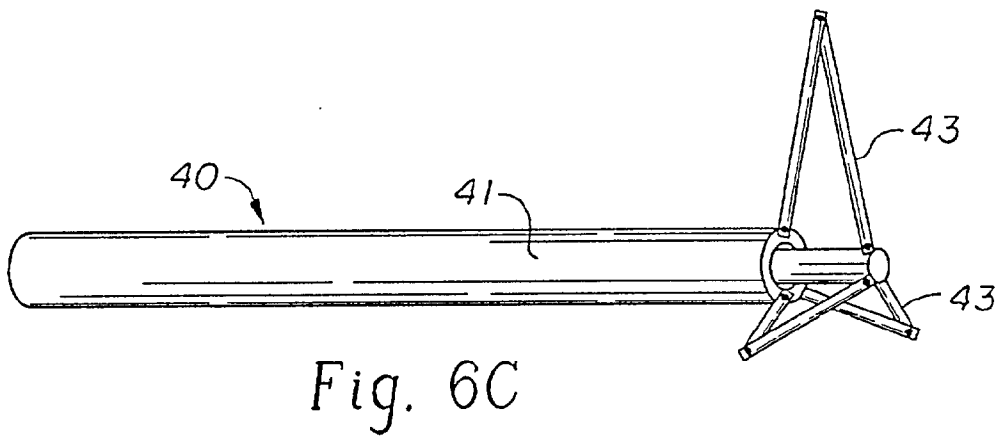
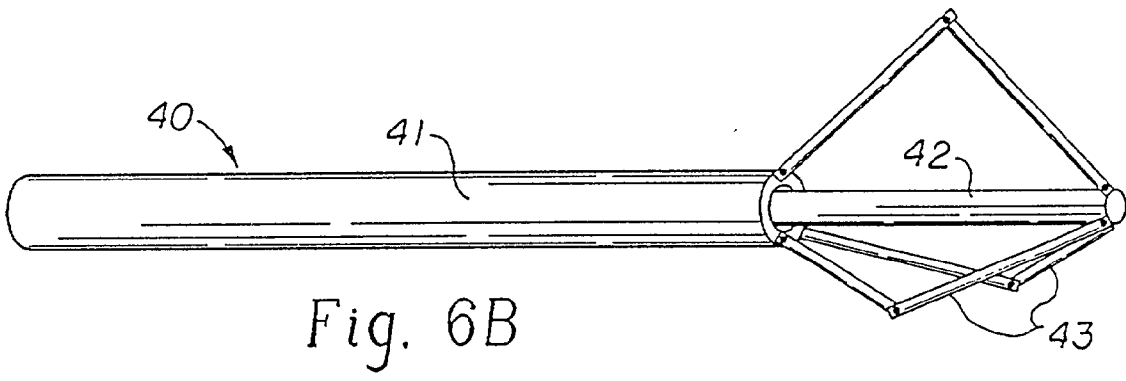
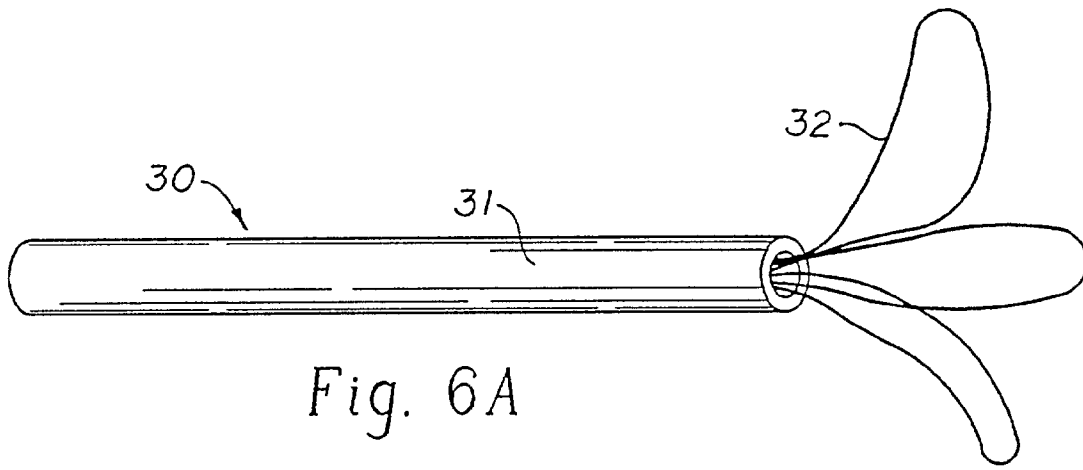


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