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[54] **SURGICAL FASTENER APPLYING DEVICE**

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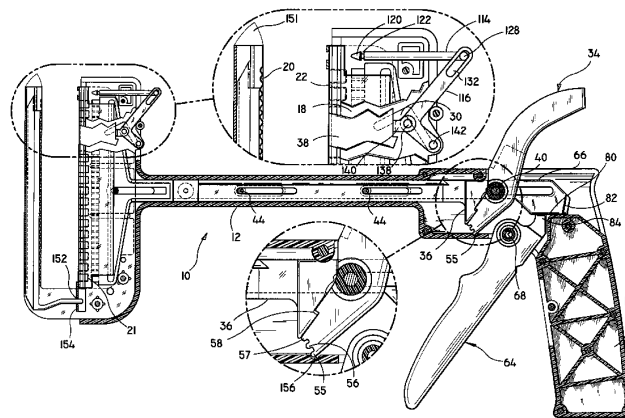
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[57] **ABSTRACT**

A fastener applying device for applying surgical fasteners to body tissue is provided. The fastener applying device includes an approximation mechanism having a single actuator to perform fast closure and incremental approximation of a cartridge carrier and anvil. The cartridge carrier and anvil can be approximated into a multiplicity of predetermined firing enabled positions. An adjustment member is operably associated with a firing mechanism of the device to vary the maximum stroke of a pusher bar. The adjustment member facilitates ejection of multiple size fasteners from the device.

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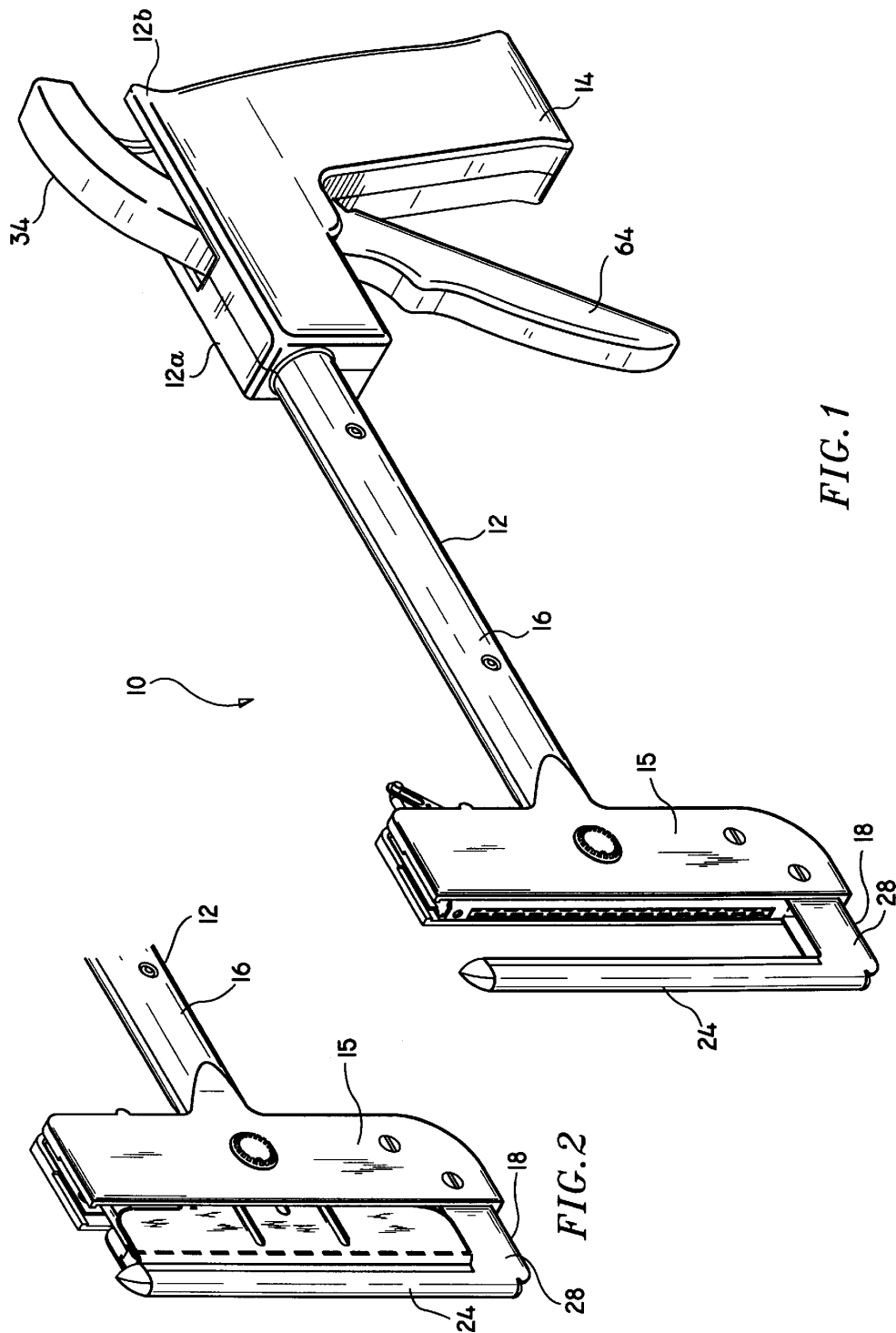


FIG. 1

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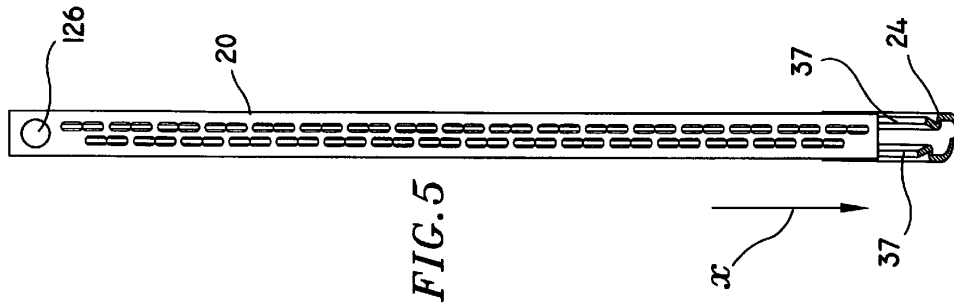


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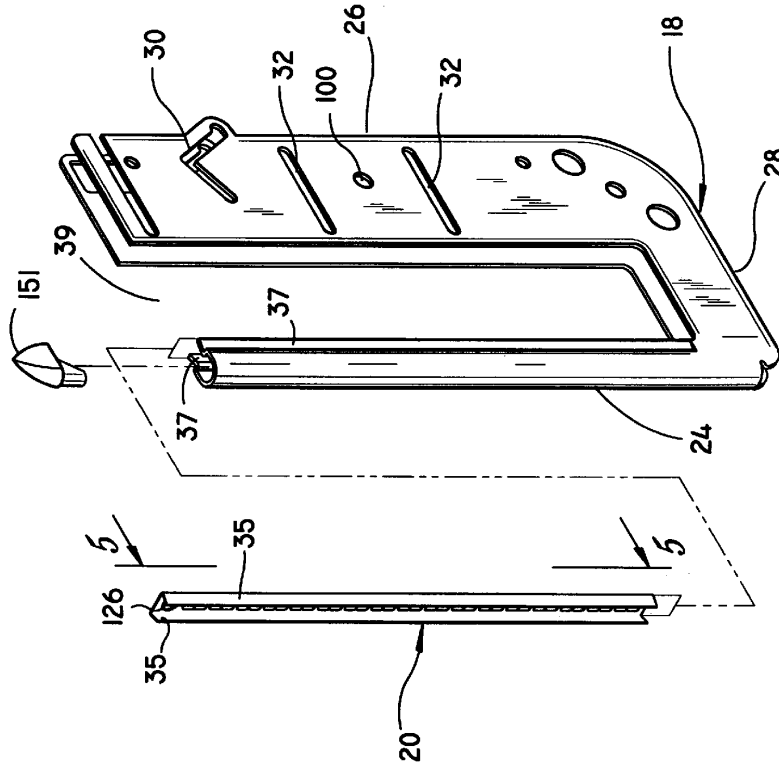


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