

**PETITIONER'S DEMONSTRATIVES**  
*Medtronic, Inc. and Medtronic Vascular, Inc. v.*  
*Teleflex Life Sciences Limited*

IPR2020-01341, -01342, -01343, -01344

November 18, 2021  
ORAL HEARING

# Conception and Reduction to Practice

## New Issues: Method-of-Use Claims

1. A method of providing backup support for an interventional cardiology device for use in the coronary vasculature,

*25. A method, comprising:  
advancing a distal end of a guide catheter having a lumen through a main blood vessel to an ostium of a coronary artery;  
advancing a distal end of a guide extension catheter through, and beyond the distal end of, the guide cath-*

## Teleflex cannot prove prior invention before Itou.

- No evidence corroborating assembly of RX prototypes.
- **No dispute that VSI did not perform the claimed methods.**
- **No evidence of required intended purpose testing.**
- Affirmative evidence showing VSI back-burnered RX and could not have reduced to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



# Teleflex must prove prior invention.

Teleflex bears “the burden of **going forward with evidence . . .**  
and **presenting persuasive argument** based on” that evidence.

*Dynamic Drinkware, LLC v. Nat'l Graphics, Inc.*,  
800 F.3d 1375, 1379-80 (Fed. Cir. 2015).

# Reduction to Practice

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To prove reduction to practice, Teleflex must show:

- (1) “**performance of a process** that met all the limitations of the [claimed method];
- (2) **determination that the invention would work for its intended purpose**; and
- (3) the existence of **sufficient evidence to corroborate inventor testimony** regarding these events.”

*Medichem, S.A. v. Rolabo, S.L.*, 437 F.3d 1157, 1169 (Fed. Cir. 2006).

“Even the most credible inventor testimony is *a fortiori* required to be corroborated by independent evidence . . . .”

*Id.* at 1171-72.

# Reduction to Practice: Performing + Demonstrating

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- 2. Demonstrate that the invention would work for its intended purpose.**

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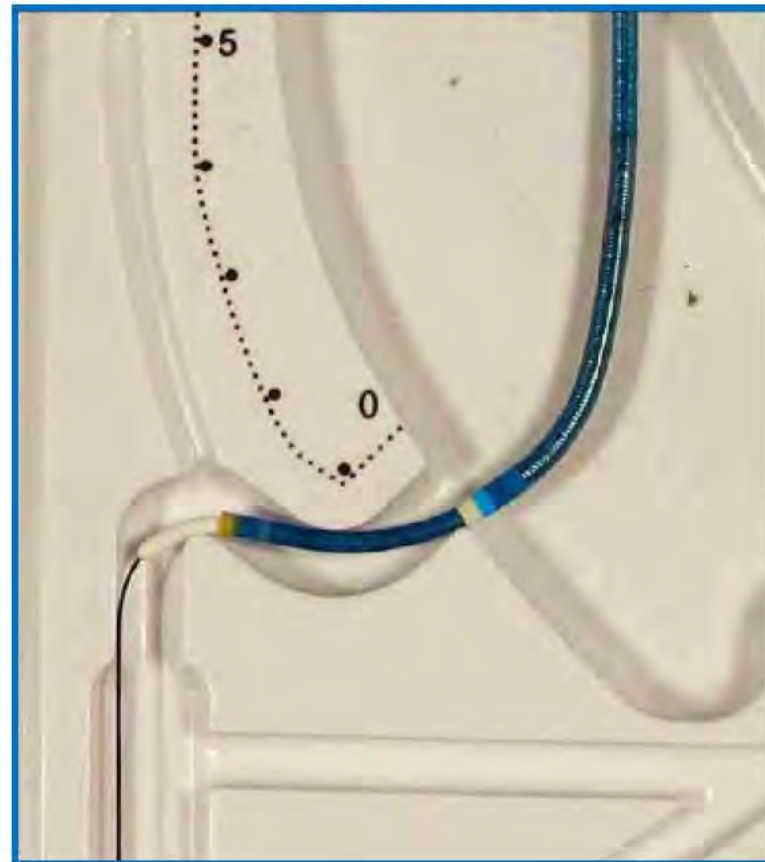
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## OTW GEC:

- Full-length lumen
- Mother-and-child
- Prior art

GuideLiner OTW Prototype





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July 2005

GuideLiner OTW

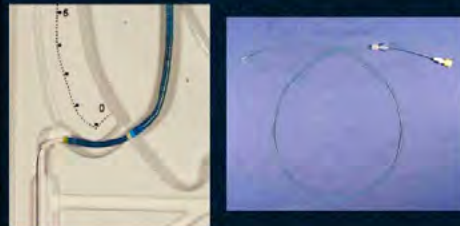
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**Vascular**  
SOLUTIONS

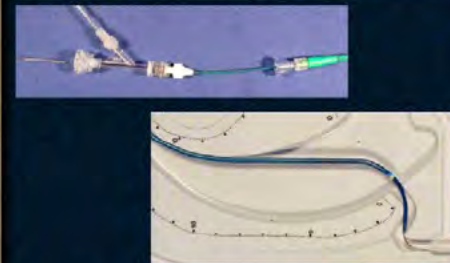
New Products on the Horizon  
(Ask questions at break-out)

#### 4. GuideLiner Catheter



- Coaxial guide “liner” that allows safe deep seating
- Extra back-up support for difficult cases (CTO’s)

#### 4. GuideLiner Deployment



- Y-adaptor is attached to proximal hub of GuideLiner.
- Obturator pulled out and GuideLiner is deep seated.

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NEXT A GUIDELINER WAS INTRODUCED THRU THE GUIDECATHETER AND EXTENDED BEYOND THE GUIDECATHETER 10M. AGAIN THE 300CM x 0.014" GUIDEWIRE WAS ADVANCED UNTIL NO FURTHER ADVANCEMENT WAS POSSIBLE AND THE GUIDECATHETER / GUIDELINER BECAME DISLOADED FROM THE MODEL "OSTIUM".

GC Backup  
Support Test

GEC Backup  
Support Test

Ex-1760, 86-93; -01341 Reply at 10, 18; -01343 Reply at 5, 13.

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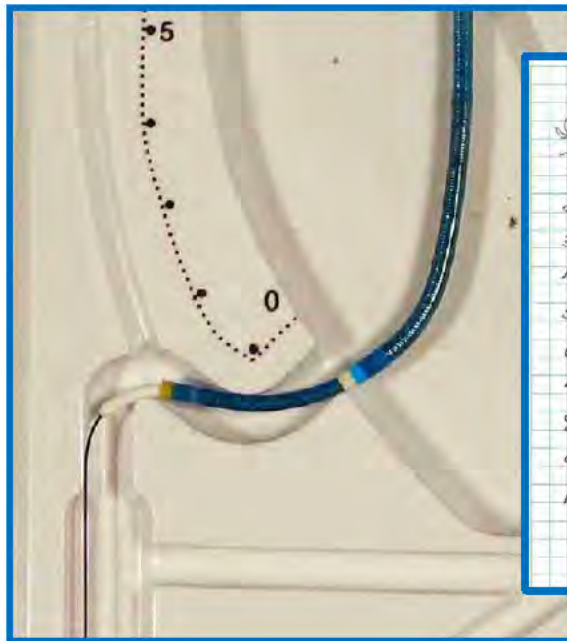
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Guide wire 014" 1, 6FR Guide catheter  
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✓ measurement guide wire with 6FR guide catheter / 6FR guide catheter  
with guideliner) =  
1. 95.5 cm  
measurement 2 cm with  
guideliner

78% better with guideliner



# VSI developed and tested GuideLiner OTW.

- OTW meetings.
- OTW photographs.
- OTW presentations.
- OTW laboratory notebook entries.
- OTW testing.



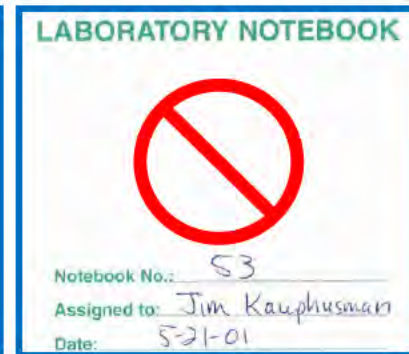
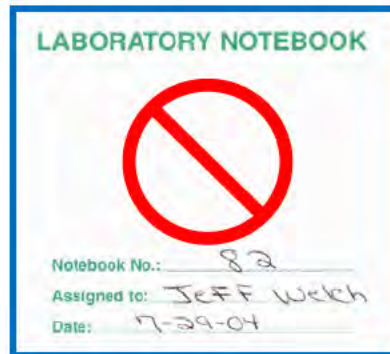
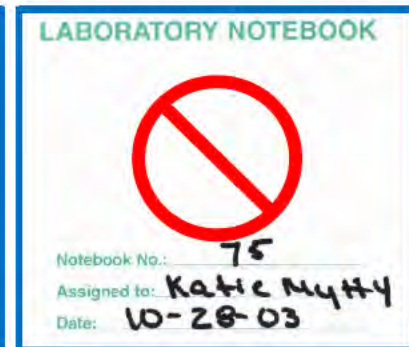
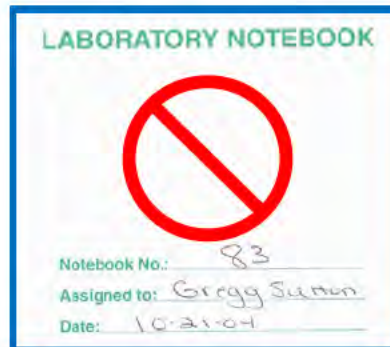
6 FR single Coronary  
Sheath wire 0.04" i.d. 6 FR Sheath catheter  
Insert 10 loops  
with 6 FR guide catheter  
measurement guide wire  
with guide liner +  
measurement 2 crossh.

1. 95.5 cm	1. 77.7 cm
2. 105.6 cm	2. 72.9 cm
3. 99.1 cm	3. 74.2 cm
4. 99.5 cm	4. 74.3 cm
5. 104.5 cm	5. 74.7 cm
6. 83.0 cm	6. 70.0 cm
7. 72.3 cm	7. 77.9 cm
8. 99.5 cm	8. 79.1 cm
9. 98.8 cm	9. 72.6 cm
10. 106.8 cm	10. 72.1 cm

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# VSI did *not* perform critical RX work.

- **No** prototypes.
- **No** photographs.
- **No** assembly documents.
- **No** laboratory notebook entries.
- **No** testing protocols.
- **No** testing notes / data / results.



Ex-1796 (Sutton); Ex-1758 (Welch); Ex-1760 (Kauphusman); Ex-1761 (Mytty); -01341 Reply at 10; -01343 Reply at 5.

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# Exhibit 2022 does not show that VSI assembled an RX prototype.

## Root:

Q. Okay. Now go back to my original question. In your declaration assessing reduction to practice, including your charts in Exhibit A, you do not contend that VSI built prototypes according to Exhibit 2022, prior to September 23rd, 2005; right?

A. **Not with that specific dimensions of the side opening, I'm not doing -- I'm not claiming that. I'm claiming it's built along the lines of 2114 for the July, and 2113 for the April.**

same answer. You do not contend in your reduction-to-practice analysis, that this Exhibit 2022 was tested and shown to work for its intended purpose prior to September 23, 2005; right?

A. **Not that specific dimension of the side opening, no.**

# Reduction to Practice: Performing + Demonstrating

1. Perform a process that meets all limitations of the claimed invention.
2. Demonstrate that the invention would work for its intended purpose.



# The patents claim *methods of using* GECs.

1. A method of providing backup support for an interventional cardiology device for use in the coronary vasculature, the interventional cardiology device being adapted to be passed through a standard guide catheter, the standard guide catheter having a continuous lumen extending for a predefined length from a proximal end at a hemostatic valve to a distal end adapted to be placed in a branch artery, the continuous lumen of the guide catheter having a circular cross-sectional inner diameter sized such that interventional cardiology devices are insertable into and through the lumen, the method comprising:

inserting the standard guide catheter into a **first artery** over a guidewire, the standard guide catheter having a distal end;

positioning the distal end of the standard guide catheter in a **branch artery that branches off from the first artery**;

inserting a flexible tip portion of a coaxial guide catheter defining a tubular structure having a circular cross-section and a length that is shorter than the predefined length of the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter, into the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter, and,

further inserting a substantially rigid portion that is proximal of, operably connected to, and more rigid along a longitudinal axis than the flexible tip portion, into the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter, the substantially rigid portion defining a rail structure without a lumen and having a maximal cross-sectional dimension at a proximal portion that is smaller than the cross-sectional outer diameter of the flexible tip portion and having a length that, when combined with the length of the flexible distal tip portion, defines a total length of the device along the longitudinal axis that is longer than the length of the continuous lumen of the guide catheter; advancing a distal portion of the flexible tip portion distally beyond the distal end of the standard guide catheter and **into the second artery such that the distal portion extends into the second artery** and such that at least a portion of the proximal portion of the substantially rigid portion extends proximally through the hemostatic valve; and inserting the interventional cardiology device into and through the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter alongside of the substantially rigid portion and advancing the interventional cardiology device through and beyond a lumen of the flexible tip portion **into contact with or past a lesion in the second artery**.

'413 patent, claim 1; -01341 Reply at 12-13.

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# The patents claim *methods of using GECs.*

25. *A method, comprising:*

*advancing a distal end of a guide catheter having a lumen through a main blood vessel to an ostium of a coronary artery;*

*advancing a distal end of a guide extension catheter through, and beyond the distal end of, the guide catheter, including advancing a distal end portion of a tubular structure of the guide extension catheter beyond the distal end of the guide catheter while a segment defining a side opening of the guide extension catheter remains within the guide catheter, the side opening extending for a distance along a longitudinal axis of the guide extension catheter and accessible from a longitudinal side defined transverse to the longitudinal axis, the tubular structure having a cross-sectional inner diameter that is not more than one French size smaller than a cross-sectional inner diameter of the lumen of the guide catheter;*

*maintaining the distal end portion of the tubular structure of the guide extension catheter in position beyond the distal end of the guide catheter; and while maintaining the distal end of the guide extension catheter positioned beyond the distal end of the guide catheter, advancing a balloon catheter or stent at least partially through the guide catheter and the guide extension catheter and into the coronary artery, including advancing the balloon catheter or stent through a hemostatic valve associated with a proximal end of the guide catheter, along a substantially rigid segment of the guide extension catheter, through the side opening, and through the tubular structure.*

'116 patent, claim 25; -01343 Reply at 7-8.

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# Teleflex must show that VSI performed the methods, as claimed.

## **Possibility or capability is not enough:**

Though “a computer executing the algorithm . . . would perform all the method steps of claim 13, the thesis alone cannot show that the method was ever performed.”

*Lucent Techs., Inc. v. Gateway, Inc.*, No. 02-cv-2060-B(CAB),  
2007 WL 2070346, at \*2 (S.D. Cal. July 12, 2007).

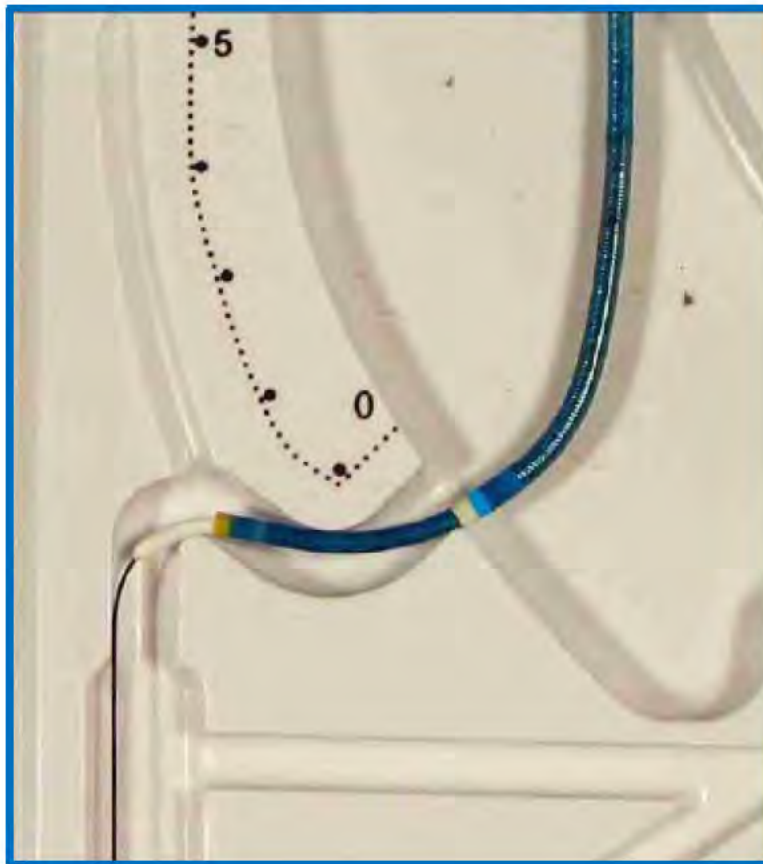
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## **Simulating the claimed method is not enough:**

“[C]omputer simulations could not meet all the limitations of the asserted claims, [thus] they are insufficient to show actual reduction to practice.”

*TC Tech. LLC v. Sprint Corp.*, 379 F. Supp. 3d 305, 319 (D. Del. 2019).

# Teleflex cannot show that VSI performed the methods, as claimed.



Ex-2129.

DEMONSTRATIVE EXHIBIT—NOT EVIDENCE

# Teleflex cannot show that VSI performed the methods.

## Root:

Q. Okay. And so you can't pinpoint for me when any particular confirmatory test occurred; is that right?

A. I can give you a pretty good range of when it occurred, but I can't give you an exact date.

Q. Okay. And you also don't say who would have performed a confirmatory test; is that right?

A. I don't think I have names in this -- in this paragraph. I don't.

Q. Okay. And sitting here today, you can't say for sure who performed some confirmatory test.

A. Well I -- I know that I did some of that testing, along with Gregg Sutton and Jason Garrity and Jeff Welch, and there were other people, but I can't tell you exactly who.

Q. Okay. And can you do that by reference to a specific date and/or prototype?

A. Well I can't do it to a date. I can give you a range of when it occurred, but I can't give you a specific day that it happened. And the prototype -- the picture here in 17 is one of the prototypes we used. We also had a more three-dimensional model that we used in order to simulate the coronary anatomy.

Q. Okay. So --

All right. The picture you've got there, you've mentioned this several times, but we all know that's not the rapid exchange version of GuideLiner; right?

A. I -- I --

Yeah, I think this is the over-the-wire version in this picture.

# Teleflex cannot show that VSI performed the methods.

Erb worked on separate, early prototypes that did not embody the inventions:

8. As a machinist for the group, I worked on the early GuideLiner prototypes. Specifically, I machined-down the hypotubes that were used to form the proximal end of the early prototypes of that device. I personally made a special jig to hold the hypotubes and then used a vertical milling machine to cut the tubes along their length.



# Teleflex cannot show that VSI performed the methods.

Erb could barely remember relevant components *when coached*:

## Attempt #1

Q. Do you see the drawing that I'm looking at, Mr. Erb?

A. Yes.

Q. What is the date on that drawing? And you can zoom in with the tool.

A. Yeah.

Q. You can zoom in. There's a little magnifying glass with a plus sign.

A. Yes. Okay. It looks like 6/21/05.

Q. Do you recall seeing a prototype made using this part in 2005?

A. No, I do not.

## Attempt #2

Q. So if you look at the drawing, it's dated June 21st, 2005?

A. Correct.

Q. Is this a Vascular Solutions drawing?

A. Yes.

Q. And if you look at the drawing, you can see that there's a -- I guess, does the drawing look to you to be a cut-down hypotube?

A. Yes, it does.

Q. And do you recall seeing a prototype like this that was made in 2005?

A. I do not remember.

Ex-2248, 93:14-95:12; -01341 Reply at 11; -01343 Reply at 6.

DEMONSTRATIVE EXHIBIT—NOT EVIDENCE



# Teleflex cannot show that VSI performed the methods.

Erb reviewed the relevant component parts drawings only for this proceeding:

**Q.** When did you first review the engineering drawings that you discuss in paragraphs 14 to 18?

**A.** **It would have been when I did my declaration there, so.** As far as I remember, okay, so that was...

**Q.** Had you seen these engineering drawings before you created your declaration for these proceedings?

**A.** **Yeah, I don't -- I don't remember if I did or not.**

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Ex-2122 ¶¶ 12, 19; -01341 Reply at 14-15 n.7; -01343 Reply at 9-10 n.6.

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# Reduction to Practice: Performing + Demonstrating

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**Demonstrating that the invention would work for that intended purpose: comparative benchtop testing using simulated challenging anatomy.**



# Demonstrating Intended Purpose

## 1. Set up model simulating challenging anatomy, e.g., a lesion.

Keith:

Q. Sure. So those -- and we've talked about those before, tight lesions, tortuous anatomy, et cetera.

Is it possible to test for those things in a benchtop model or to create those kinds of challenging coronary anatomy?

A. Yeah. I think one can simulate that fairly well in a bench model.

Q. What do you have to do -- I don't know how benchtop models work. I assume that they're pretty standard.

But how do you set up a benchtop model such that it's presenting challenging coronary anatomy?

A. Well, for example, I would set it up so that the simulated blood vessel has curvature in it versus being perfectly straight. And perhaps a restricted area that represents a lesion.

# Demonstrating Intended Purpose

1. Set up model simulating challenging anatomy, e.g., a lesion.
- 2. Run prototype through and advance ICD to test accessing and crossing.**

Keith:

Q. Sure. And you could also make observations about whether a GuideLiner prototype, for instance, had any kinking problems?

A. If it kinked, that could be an observable thing, yes.

Q. And after you had used a prototype setup like we discussed in tortuous anatomy with a tight lesion, you could see whether there was any issue with the connection between the distal and proximal portions on the way in or on the way out, right?

A. Yeah, those are things that could be observed as part of that testing if one wanted to.

# Comparative testing measures relative backup support.

1. Set up model simulating challenging anatomy, e.g., a lesion.
2. Run prototype through and advance ICD to test accessing and crossing.
3. Compare the prototype's backup support to a standard GC.

Keith:

Q. Okay. And so what you've said today is that even if you don't have tortuosity and even if you don't have a tight passageway or tough or chronic total occlusion, you could still perform comparative testing that would tell you something about how the device operates; right? I have that right?

A. Yes.

Q. And in that comparative testing I guess you would put two different devices through this same anatomy and -- and somehow see how they performed?

A. **You could do that, or you could put -- you know, pass a -- a device without the assistance of a guide extension catheter, you could pass that down and then put the guide extension catheter in and observe the differences.**



# VSI performed the requisite comparative testing—for OTW.

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**Q.** Okay. So this test would actually potentially show the improvement or measure the improvement in back-up support?

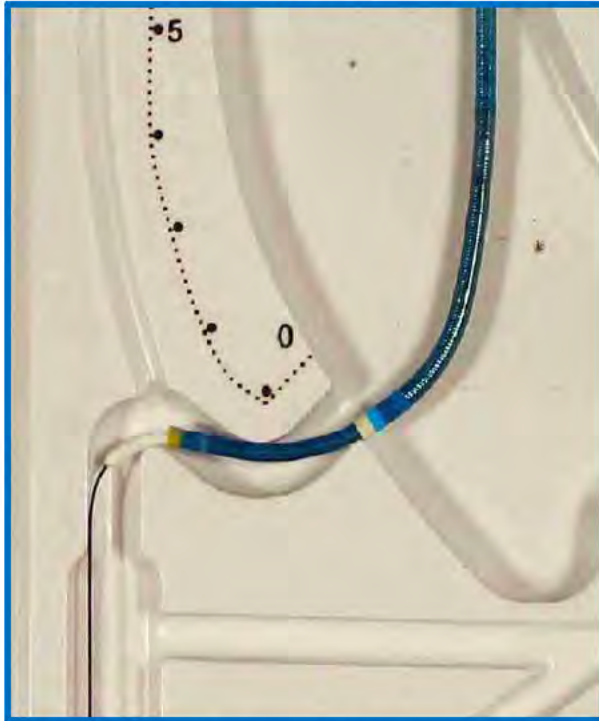
**A.** I'd say it measured the improvement.

Ex-1798, 57:25-61:9; -01341 Reply at 18; -01343 Reply at 13.

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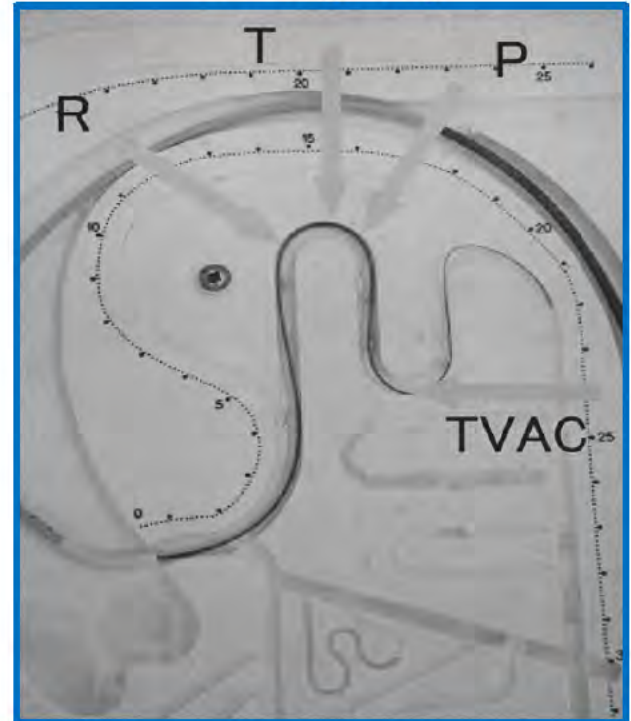
VSI Benchtop Model (with OTW)  
July 2005



Takahashi  
Demonstrating Increased  
Backup Support



Sakurada  
Demonstrating Improved  
Crossing Ability



Ex-2129; Ex-1010; Ex-1055; -01341 Reply at 18-20; -01343 Reply at 13-15.

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Schmalz

VSI VP of Regulatory

Q. Understood. Now, you did not conceive of the GuideLiner rapid exchange invention; is that correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. And you did not personally build prototypes of the GuideLiner rapid exchange device; is that correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. And you did not personally test any prototypes of the GuideLiner rapid exchange device; is that correct?

A. That is correct.



# The Board needs to be able to assess testing evidence.

The Board judges “[t]he adequacy of a reduction to practice . . . by **what one of ordinary skill in the art would conclude from the results of the tests.**”

*Slip Track Sys., Inc. v. Metal-Lite, Inc.*, 304 F.3d 1256, 1265 (Fed. Cir. 2002).

The Board considers “**whether the testing in fact demonstrated a solution** to the problem intended to be solved by the invention.”

*Scott v. Finney*, 34 F.3d 1058, 1063 (Fed. Cir. 1994).

# Diligence

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# Teleflex cannot prove that VSI was diligent.

“[T]o antedate a reference, the applicant must not only have conceived the invention before the reference date, **but must have reasonably continued activity to reduce the invention to practice.**”

*ATI Techs. ULC v. Iancu*, 920 F.3d 1362, 1369 (Fed. Cir. 2019).

“Reasonable diligence must be shown **throughout the entire critical period, which begins just prior to the competing reference’s effective date and ends on the date of the invention’s reduction to practice.**”

*Perfect Surgical Techniques, Inc. v. Olympus Am., Inc.*,  
841 F.3d 1004, 1007 (Fed. Cir. 2016).

# Teleflex cannot prove that VSI was diligent.

## Component Parts Drawings



Ex-2115; -01341 Reply at 22-23; -01343 Reply at 17-18.

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## Parts Purchases

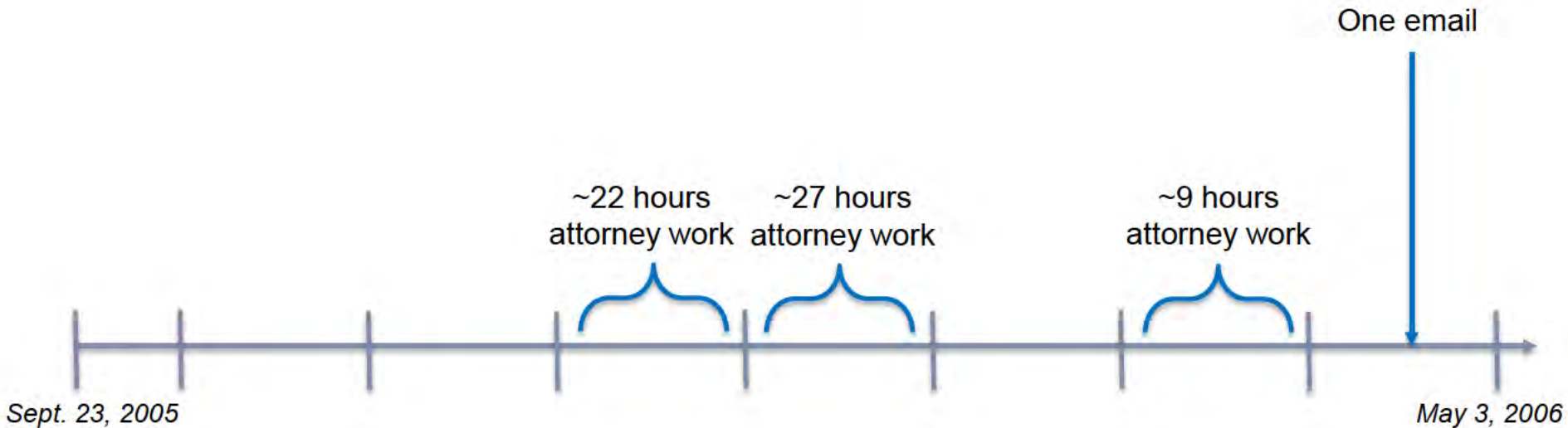


Ex-2104; Ex-2106; Ex-2107; Ex-2108; -01341 Reply at 22-23; -01343 Reply at 17-18.

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## Prosecution Work



Ex-2101; Ex-2102; Ex-2103; Ex-2117; -01341 Reply at 22-23; -01343 Reply at 17-18.

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Root:

Q. Okay. And do you know specifically any of that activity you're talking about occurred between September of 2005 and May of 2006?

A. I know that that work occurred during that period of time, but I can't specify what event happened at what date on that timeframe. But it was a

Q. In order to meet that deadline that we know was not met, and not even close to being met; right?

A. Well again, the work wasn't done, so therefore the deadline, or I would call it the goal, wasn't met. It took longer to get the work done, therefore the goal wasn't achieved.

# The Counter-Narrative

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# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



2005

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## Market Feasibility Memo

Vascular Solutions, Inc.

**Memo**

From: Howard Root

To: Guideline DHF

Date: June 23, 2005

RE: Market Feasibility for the Guideline catheters

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Background

As part of Phase I of the product development

the Guideline in an Over-the-Wire version, a Rapid Exchange Version, or both.

“As part of Phase I of the product development”

Zalesky:

172. Mr. Root discusses a market feasibility memo dated June 23, 2005, in which he discusses both an OTW and an RX version of the Guideline catheter. Ex-2118 ¶ 37, citing Ex-2017. In my experience, assessing market feasibility is an early step in the Concept/Feasibility Phase, usually produced prior to any technical work. It provides justification for allocating resources to the prospective new project, and is usually among the very earliest entries into a DHF.

Ex-2128; Ex-1755 ¶ 172; -01341 Reply at 24; -01343 Reply at 19.

DEMONSTRATIVE EXHIBIT—NOT EVIDENCE

# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



**July 2005  
RX Design TBD**

Vascular Solutions, Inc.  
Research & Development Update  
July 2005

**GuideLiner Device**

*A device for providing extra guide catheter back-up support during PICA procedures.*

“rapid exchange version to follow.”

# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



2005

August 2005 (?)

## RX Product Requirements Incomplete

PRODUCT REQUIREMENTS: Gueliner Catheter System		
Document Approvals:		
Reviewer	J. Kauphsman	8/24/05
Documentation	J. Kujwa	8/24/05

3. REQUIREMENTS/SPECIFICATIONS		
USER REQUIREMENTS	PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS	TEST METHOD
<b>3.1 Performance Requirements</b>		
The catheter system must allow for advancement of the treatment catheter beyond (deeper) than using a guide catheter alone.		
The catheter system must be capable of withstanding normal insertion and removal forces through commonly used guide catheters and through the arterial system.		
The catheter system must slide inside the guide catheter and through the anticipated vasculature and be able to navigate the blood vessels without kinking.		
The catheter system must provide for an atraumatic entry into and travel through the blood vessel.		

Ex-2024; Ex-1755 ¶¶ 196-200; -01341 Reply at 24; -01343 Reply at 19.

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2005

September 2005  
Itou

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(12) **United States Patent** (39) **Patent No.:** US 7,736,355 B2  
**Itou et al.** (43) **Date of Patent:** Jun. 15, 2010

(54) **INTRAVASCULAR FOREIGN MATTER SUCTION ASSEMBLY**  
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2003/0166001 A1 7/2003 Rajagopal et al.

(75) **Assignee:** Terumo Kabushiki Kaisha, Shizuoka-Ku, Shizuoka (JP)  
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Patent Pursued in Article 90(2), EPV in the Office for Corresponding Countries (CA), Jul. 23, 2007

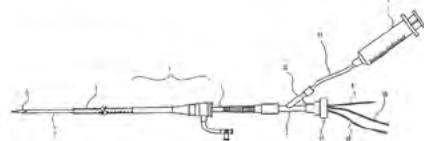
**Attorney:** Itou & Associates  
Stephen D. Kojima  
c/o Frew, Buchanan, Eggenhoff &

(30) **Foreign Application Priority Data** (37) **ABSTRACT**  
May 24, 2004 (JP) 2004-275291  
As atherosclerotic foreign matter suction assembly insertable into a blood vessel having a relatively small diameter and exhibiting high tortuosity. The atherosclerotic foreign matter suction assembly includes a combination of a guiding catheter being inserted to an ostium of a coronary artery of the heart and a suction catheter inserted in the lumen of the guiding catheter and extending further than the distal end of the guiding catheter for moving foreign matter in a blood vessel which exists at a target location in the coronary artery. The suction catheter includes a tubular portion provided on the distal end side and a new portion provided on the proximal end side of the tubular portion and wherein the new portion has a distal end embedded in a wall which forms the tubular portion.

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(52) **U.S. Cl.** 604/523, 604/524  
(58) **Field of Classification Search** 604/19, 604/192, 604, 623, 507, 526, 164-01, 101, 015, 100, 010, 016, 175, 000  
See application file for complete search history.

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**11 Claims, 8 Drawing Sheets**



Ex-1007.

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December 2005

Additional Engineering Required

**Vascular Solutions, Inc.  
2006 Strategic Objectives**

The over-the-wire version is expected to be launched in the U.S. and Germany by the end of 2006.

“The rapid exchange version requires additional engineering and is not included in our 2006 forecasts.”

# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



**December 2005**  
**Additional Engineering Required**

<del>0370</del>	<del>12-2-2005</del>	<del>Guideline DVT - Build</del>	<del>Jim K</del>	<del>N/A</del>	R.S. 2-17-06 Design Change Not completed
<del>0371</del>	<del>12-2-2005</del>	<del>Guideline DVT - Build</del>	<del>Jim K</del>	<del>N/A</del>	
<del>0372</del>	<del>12-2-2005</del>	<del>Guideline DVT - Build</del>	<del>Jim K.</del>	<del>N/A</del>	
<del>0373</del>	<del>12-2-2005</del>	<del>Guideline DVT - Luer Assy.</del>	<del>Jim K.</del>	<del>N/A</del>	
<del>0374</del>	<del>12-2-2005</del>	<del>Guideline DVT Luer Assy</del>	<del>Jim K.</del>	<del>N/A</del>	
<del>0375</del>	<del>12-2-2005</del>	<del>Guideline DVT Luer Assy</del>	<del>Jim K.</del>	<del>N/A</del>	

Sutton:

Q. What is design verification testing?  
 A. It's performance testing to verify the design works as intended.

Ex-1768, 14; Ex-1757, 77:16-18; -01341 Reply at 25; -01343 Reply at 20.

# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



2007

April 2007

## RX Design In Progress

R&D Device Idea List 04-30-2007 page 1

Idea Name	Prior	Project Leader	Concept Drawing	Design Freeze	Status / Comments
Variluse Bright Tip Rail 5000-S5000-05019	1	J. Welch	4/2007	TBD	Concept of Economic Smart end connector - Coors Tec quoting price and lead time for mold - Project review scheduled for today
GuideLiner A guide catheter support device to aid in delivery of treatment catheters 5000-S5000-05005	2	J. Welch	TBD	5/30/07	- Assembly of polymer shaft to NiTi backbone repeatability issues. - New adhesive with new LED light source being investigated - Assembly cost for GuideLiner with...

Concept Drawing: TBD  
Design Freeze: May 30, 2007

**22. How strong is the bond between the metal collar and the guide extension on the GuideLiner?**

That is the part that took substantial engineering and testing. We did many pull tests on validation lots of the GuideLiner and the catheter would withstand at least a 3.5 lb. pull force. To give you some idea of what that feels like, that pull force is about the same as what it takes to lift a half-gallon of milk.

Ex-1769; Ex-1770; -01341 Reply at 25-26; -01343 Reply at 20-21.





# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



2008

July 2008  
RX Design Pushed Out

**Research & Development Update – July 2008**  
**Jeff Welch (Devices) and Steve Penegor (Biologics)**

**GuideLiner**  
*A coaxial liner for guide catheters to provide extra back-up support during PTCA procedures.*

“timelines have been pushed out due to drastic design changes”

Continued: To date we have prototype and tested a new design. This new design is more robust and cost effective. We are planning on an August 2008 design freeze with a 510k submission in November 2008.



# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.

2009

May 2009

## RX Product Requirements Complete

PRODUCT REQUIREMENTS: GuideLiner		
Document Approvals:		
Reviewer	Dean Peterson	5/4/09
Documentation	Laura Thomas	5/5/09

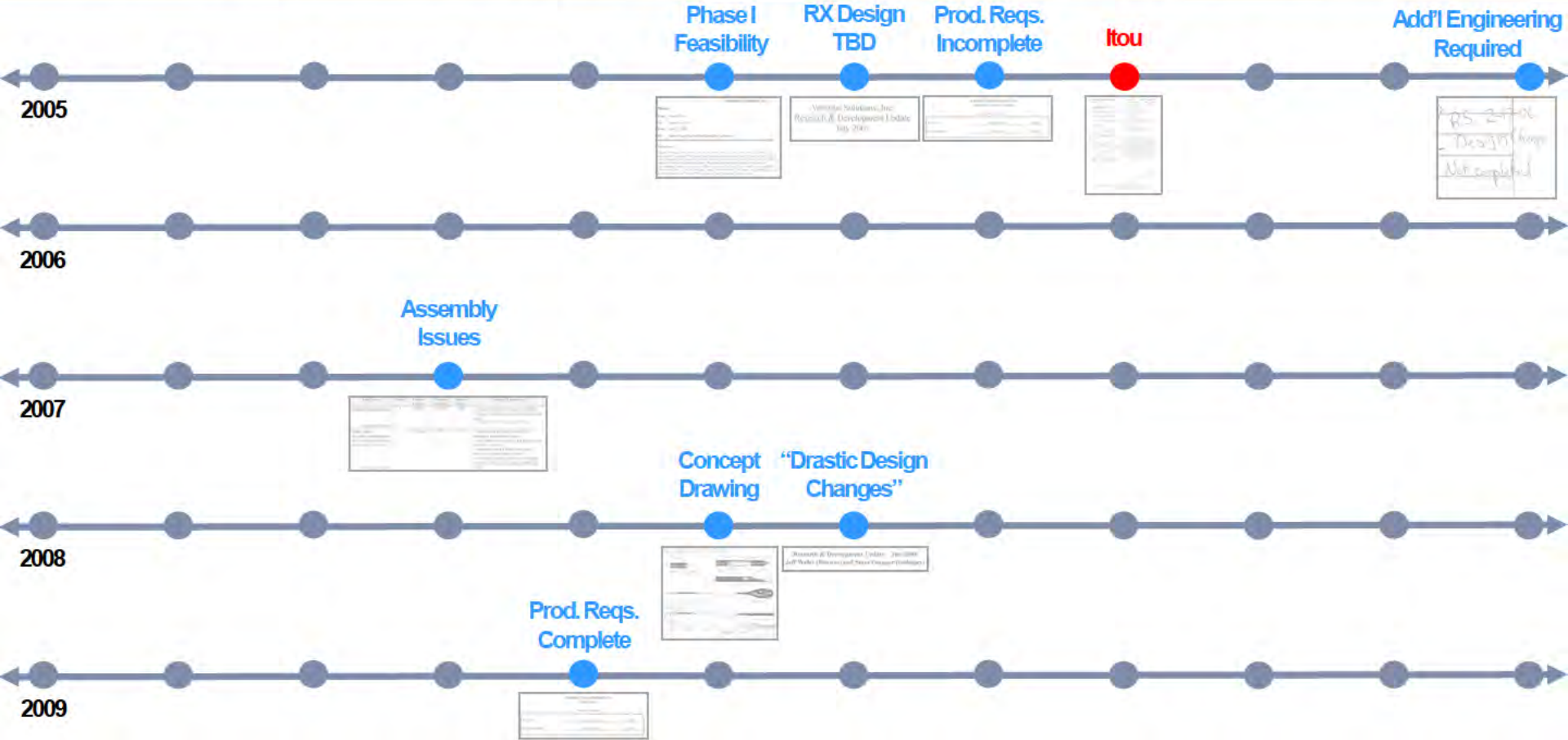
3. REQUIREMENTS/SPECIFICATIONS										
USER REQUIREMENTS	PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS	TEST METHOD								
<b>3.1 Performance Requirements</b> The device(s) must pass through a guide catheter and into the vasculature without kinking or seizing.	<b>3.1.1</b> The GuideLiner (6Fr, 7Fr, & 8Fr) shafts' distal 15cm must have a coil, and be capable of a 1" bend radius without kinking. <b>3.1.2</b> The GuideLiner (6Fr, 7Fr, & 8Fr) shafts' distal 15cm must have a silicone coating. <b>3.1.3</b> The GuideLiner (6Fr, 7Fr, & 8Fr) must be capable of advancing through a guide catheter that is placed in simulated anatomy until 10cm of the GuideLiner have extended past the tip of the guide catheter.	Design Specification TP1182  Design Specification  TP1276								
The device(s) must have a lubricious inner with the largest possible I.D. while maintaining structural integrity.	<b>3.1.4</b> The PTFE lined inner diameter of the GuideLiner must be: <table border="1"><thead><tr><th>GuideLiner Size</th><th>Minimum I.D.</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>6F</td><td>.056"</td></tr><tr><td>7F</td><td>.062"</td></tr><tr><td>8F</td><td>.071"</td></tr></tbody></table>	GuideLiner Size	Minimum I.D.	6F	.056"	7F	.062"	8F	.071"	Print Verification
GuideLiner Size	Minimum I.D.									
6F	.056"									
7F	.062"									
8F	.071"									

3.1.3 The GuideLiner (6Fr, 7Fr, & 8Fr) must be capable of advancing through a guide catheter that is placed in simulated anatomy until 10cm of the GuideLiner have extended past the tip of the guide catheter.

Ex-1767; -01341 Reply at 24-25; -01343 Reply at 19.

DEMONSTRATIVE EXHIBIT—NOT EVIDENCE

# VSI did not reduce to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.



## Teleflex cannot prove prior invention of its method claims.

- No evidence corroborating assembly of RX prototypes.
- **No dispute that VSI did not perform the claimed methods.**
- **No evidence of required intended purpose testing.**
- Affirmative evidence showing VSI back-burnered RX and could not have reduced to practice—actually or constructively—before Itou.

# Introduction

# '413, '116 Patents

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

BEFORE THE PATENT TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

MEDTRONIC, INC., AND MEDTRONIC VASCULAR, INC.  
Petitioners,

v.

TELEFLEX INNOVATIONS S.A.R.L.  
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2020-01341  
U.S. Patent No. 8,142,413

PATENT OWNER RESPONSE

Specifically, the claims  
are directed to methods of using guide extension catheters like GuideLiner in order  
to provide backup support during delivery of interventional cardiology devices  
("ICDs").

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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TELEFLEX INNOVATIONS S.A.R.L.  
Patent Owner.

Case IPR2020-01343  
U.S. Patent No. RE 46,116

PATENT OWNER RESPONSE

Specifically,  
the claims are directed to methods of using a guide extension catheter like  
GuideLiner to deliver a stent or balloon catheter into a coronary artery.

IPR2020-01341, POR, 1; IPR2020-01343, POR, 1



## Basic Science Review

### New Method to Increase a Backup Support of a 6 French Guiding Coronary Catheter

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A 6 Fr guiding catheter is commonly used in the percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI). However, one of the limitations of the 6 Fr guiding catheter is its weak backup support compared to a 7 or an 8 Fr guiding catheter. In this article, we present a new system for PCI called the five-in-six system. Between March 2003 and September 2003, this system was tried on eight chronic total occlusion cases. The advantage of the five-in-six system is that it increases backup support of a 6 Fr guiding catheter. *Catheter Cardiovasc Interv* 2004;63:452–456. © 2004 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

**Key words:** five-in-six system; backup support; 6 Fr guiding catheter; chronic total occlusion

#### INTRODUCTION

Currently, a 6 Fr guiding catheter is commonly used in percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), since its use can decrease access site complication, enable early ambulation, and reduce the consumption of the contrast dye [1–4]. Major limitations of a 6 Fr guiding catheter are the inner lumen is not big enough to accommodate bulky atherectomy devices, and its backup support is not strong compared to a 7 or an 8 Fr catheter. In this report, we demonstrate a new technique for PCI called the five-in-six system, which increases a backup support of a 6 Fr guiding catheter.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

##### The Five-in-Six System

The five-in-six system is a method of inserting a 5 Fr guiding catheter (Heartrail, Terumo, Japan) into a 6 Fr guiding catheter to increase backup support. As we in the 5 Fr inner guiding catheter into the target artery through the outer 6 Fr guiding catheter, stronger backup support can be generated (Fig. 1A).

This 5 Fr Heartrail straight guiding catheter is 120 cm in length, whereas the 6 Fr guiding catheter is 100 cm. The 5 Fr Heartrail catheter has a very soft 13 cm portion. This soft end portion can easily negotiate tortuous coronary artery with the minimal damage, then it can be inserted more deeply into the artery. The inner lumen of the 5 Fr Heartrail catheter is 0.059" in

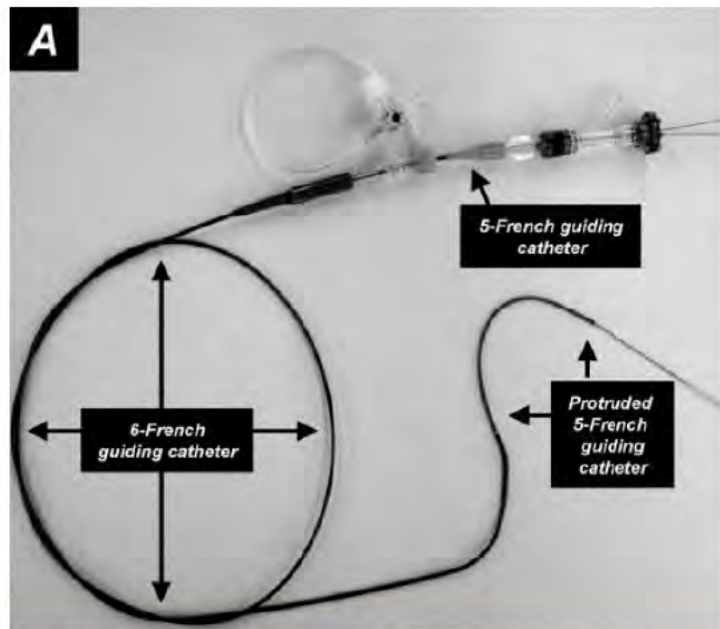
diameter; it can accept normal balloons or stent delivery systems less than 4.0 mm in diameter. The inner lumen of the outer 6 Fr catheter needs to be more than 0.071" in diameter to accommodate the 5 Fr Heartrail catheter; Launcher (Medtronic), Heartail, and Radiguide (Terumo) guiding catheters can meet this inner lumen diameter.

##### In Vitro Experiments

We measured the backup support of this five-in-six system in vitro using an experimental system. The artery model had three curves simulating tortuous coronary arteries. It was filled with water that was kept at 37°C (Fig. 1B). A guiding catheter was engaged into the ostium of the artery model. Then a rapid-exchange balloon catheter (Ryuji 2.5 × 20 mm; Terumo) was pushed into

system for PCI called the five-in-six system. Between March 2003 and September 2003, this system was tried on eight chronic total occlusion cases. The advantage of the five-in-six system is that it increases backup support of a 6 Fr guiding catheter. *Catheter Cardiovasc Interv* 2004;63:452–456. © 2004 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

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# U.S. Patent No. 5,439,445 (Kontos)

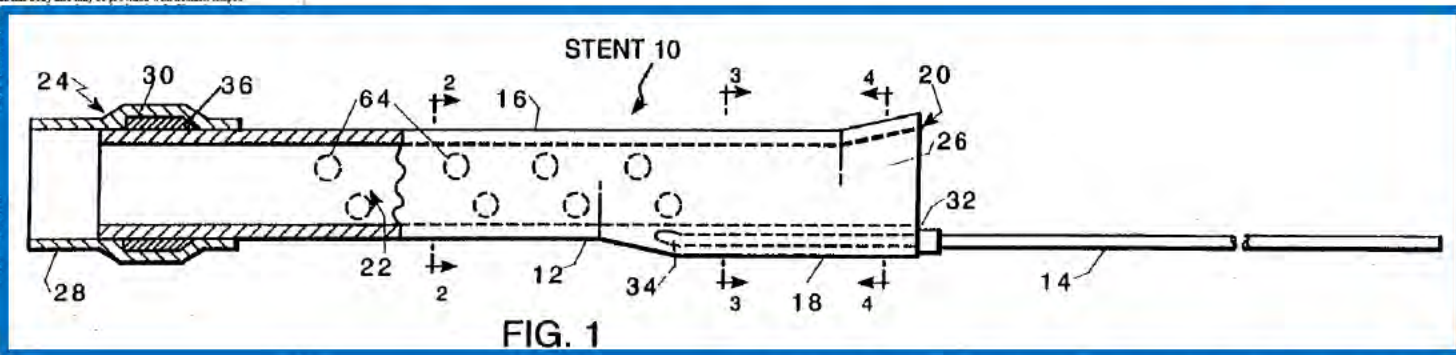
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Kontos [45] Date of Patent: Aug. 8, 1995

[58] SUPPORT CATHETER ASSEMBLY 5,145,083 8/1992 Sobota  
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When extending beyond the distal end of guide catheter 38, body 12 functions as a guide catheter extension, and the gap that PTCA catheter 40 must negotiate without assistance is made much shorter. It will be

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member may be a wire or a manipulating tube. The tubular body also may be provided with a funnel shaped



IPR2020-01342, Pet. at 1, Ex-1409, Fig. 1; 5:49-52

# **Ito ANTICIPATES**

**IPR2020-01341 (Ground 1)**



# U.S. Patent No. 7,736,355 (Itou)



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(12) **United States Patent**  
**Itou et al.**

(10) **Patent No.:** US 7,736,355 B2  
(45) **Date of Patent:** Jun. 15, 2010

(54) **INTRAVASCULAR FOREIGN MATTER  
SUCTION ASSEMBLY**

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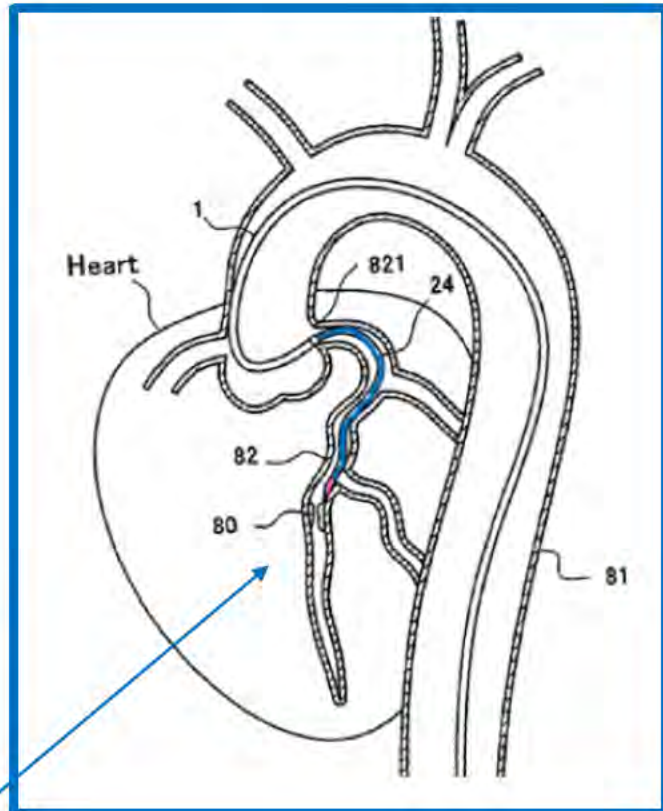
Assistant Examiner: Christopher D. Kibben

(74) **Attorney, Agent, or Firm:** Buchanan, Ingersoll &  
Boney PC

(57) **ABSTRACT**

An intravascular foreign matter suction assembly is insertable  
into a blood vessel having a relatively small diameter and  
includes a combination of a guiding catheter for being inserted  
to an ostium of a coronary artery of the aorta and a suction  
catheter inserted in the lumen of the guiding catheter and  
extending farther than the distal end of the guiding catheter  
for removing foreign matter in a blood vessel which exists at  
a target location in the coronary artery.

the distal end side and a wire portion provided on the proximal  
end side of the tubular portion and whereas the wire  
portion has a distal end embedded in a wall which forms the



suction assembly includes a combination of a guiding catheter for being inserted to an ostium of a coronary artery of the aorta and a suction catheter inserted in the lumen of the guiding catheter and extending farther than the distal end of the guiding catheter for removing foreign matter in a blood vessel which exists at a target location in the coronary artery.



# Claim 1

## '413 patent

1. A method of providing backup support for an interventional cardiology device for use in the coronary vasculature, the **interventional cardiology device** being adapted to be passed through a standard guide catheter, . . . the method comprising:

1a. inserting the standard guide catheter into a first artery over a guidewire, the standard guide catheter having a distal end;

1b. positioning the distal end of the standard guide catheter in a branch artery that branches off from the first artery;

1c. inserting a flexible tip portion of a coaxial guide catheter . . . into the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter, and,

1d. further inserting a substantially rigid portion . . . into the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter . . . ;

1e. advancing a distal portion of the flexible tip portion distally beyond the distal end of the standard guide catheter and into the second artery such that the distal portion extends into the second artery and such that at least a portion of the proximal portion of the substantially rigid portion extends proximally through the hemostatic valve; and

1fi. inserting the interventional cardiology device into and through the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter alongside of the substantially rigid portion and

1fii. advancing the interventional cardiology device through and beyond a lumen of the flexible tip portion into contact with or past a lesion in the second artery.

order of  
steps

guide  
extension  
inserted  
into GC

IVCD  
inserted  
into GC

# “interventional cardiology device”



US 8,142,413 B2

(12) **United States Patent**  
Root et al.

(10) **Patent No.:** US 8,142,413 B2

(54) **COAXIAL GUIDE CATHETER FOR INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY PROCEDURES**

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(73) **Assignee:** Vascular Solutions, Inc., Minneapolis, MN (US)

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**Related U.S. Application Data**  
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A61M 25/00 (2006.01)  
A61M 5/37 (2006.01)

(52) **U.S. Cl.** 604/510; 604/104.1; 604/525  
(58) **Field of Classification Search:** 604/101.04; 604/105.09; 16-362; 364.01-364.11; 525; 604/510

See application file for complete search history.

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For the purposes of this application, the term “interventional cardiology devices” is to be understood to include but not be limited to guidewires, balloon catheters, stents and stent catheters.

Based on the current record, we determine that the term “interventional cardiology devices” refers to at least two types of the devices selected from the group that includes, but is not limited to, guidewires, balloon catheters, stents, and stent catheters.

# “interventional cardiology device”

'413 claim 1	Teleflex Proposal
<p data-bbox="160 350 890 598">“ . . . advancing the interventional cardiology device through and beyond a lumen of the flexible tip portion into contact with or past a lesion in the second artery.”</p> <p data-bbox="454 762 890 831">IPR2020-01341, Ex-1001, col. 11, ll. 4-6</p>	<ul data-bbox="962 350 1760 598" style="list-style-type: none"><li>• “ <u>any other device delivered beyond the end of the device for use with a standard guide catheter to a location in the vasculature requiring treatment, to provide treatment to that location</u>”</li></ul> <p data-bbox="1354 721 1731 754">IPR2020-01341, POR, 14.</p>



# “*interventional cardiology device*”

## '413 patent

1. A method of providing backup support for an *interventional cardiology device* . . . the *interventional cardiology device* being adapted to be passed through a standard guide catheter . . . and inserting the *interventional cardiology device* into and through the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter . . . .

## '116 patent

43. A method, comprising: advancing a distal end of a guide catheter . . . to an ostium of a coronary artery; advancing a distal end of a guide extension catheter through, and beyond . . . the guide catheter while a segment defining a side opening of the guide extension catheter and a proximal end of a tubular structure of the guide extension catheter remain within the guide catheter. . . advancing a *treatment catheter* at least partially through the guide catheter and the guide extension catheter and into the coronary artery . . . .



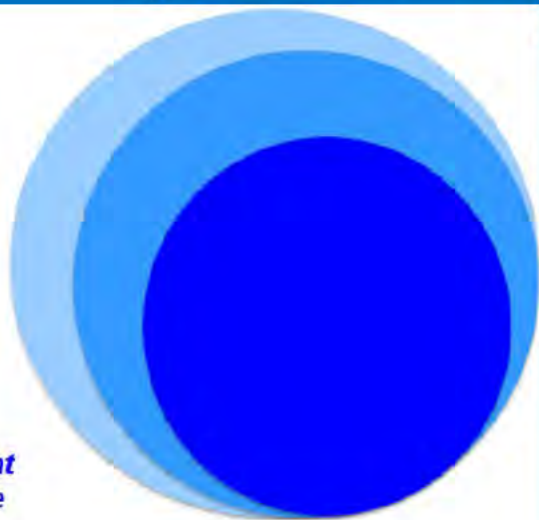
# ***“interventional cardiology device”***

10. I understand Teleflex’s argument to be, in part, that the patent specification uses the terms “cardiac treatment device” and “interventional cardiology treatment device” interchangeably with “interventional cardiology device[s].” POR at 14-15. I disagree that the patent uses these three terms as synonyms. The specification does not limit its discussion to treatment devices, or catheters that deliver those devices.

*interventional  
cardiology devices*

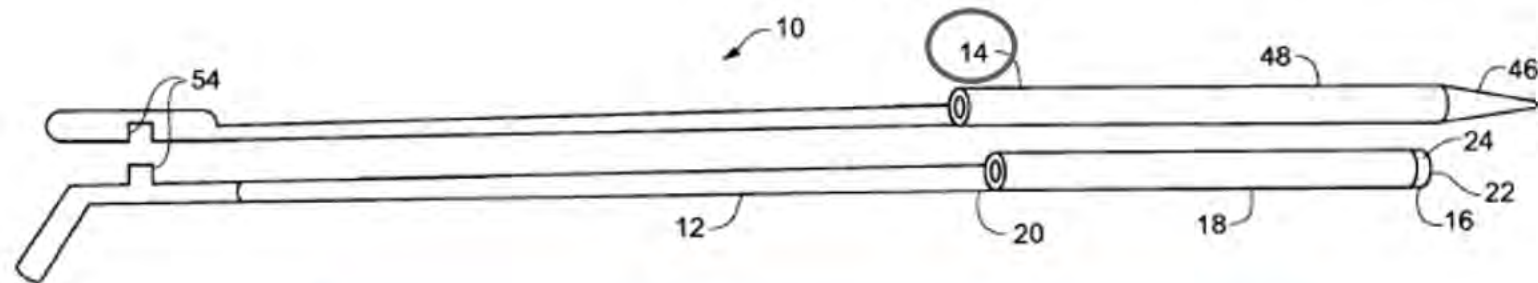
*interventional  
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used in the coronary  
arteries*

*interventional  
cardiology treatment  
devices used in the  
coronary arteries*



# “interventional cardiology device”

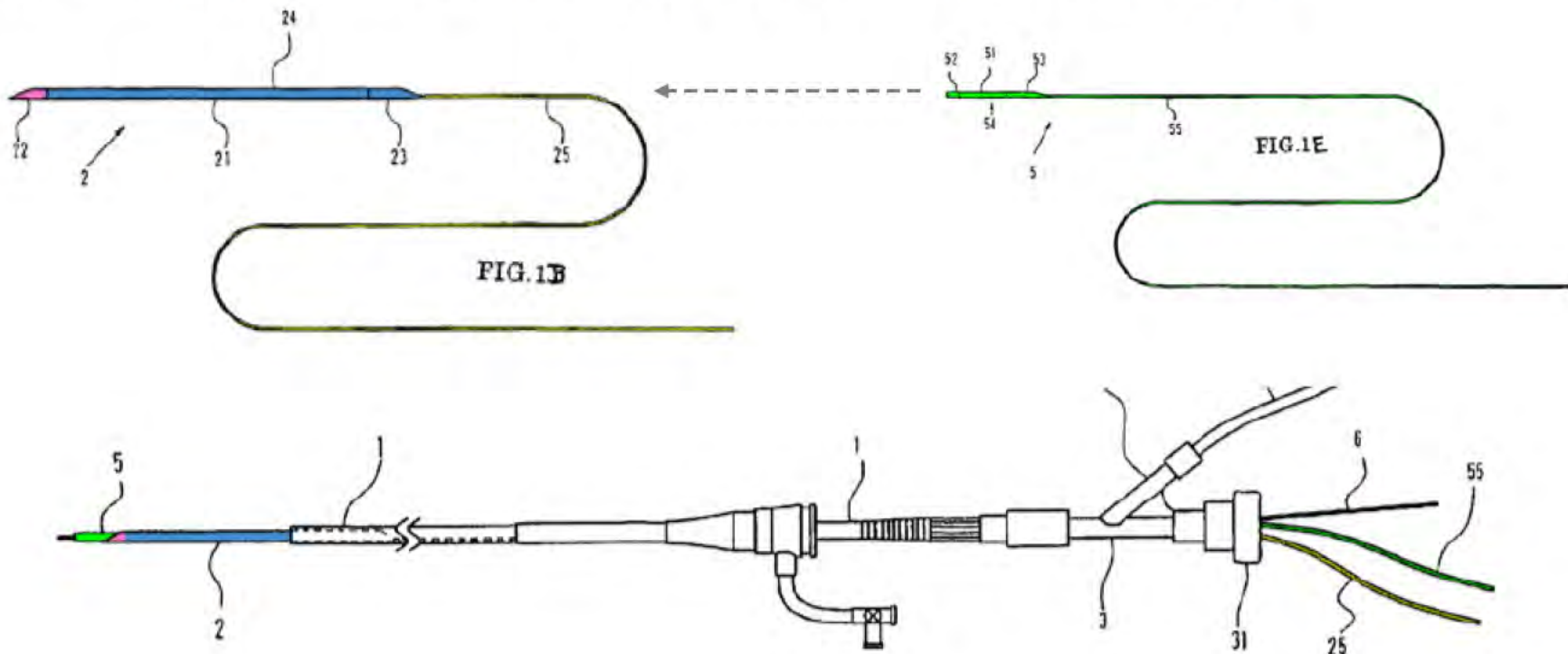
**Fig. 1**



Tapered inner catheter **14** is then withdrawn from the lumen of coaxial guide catheter 12. An interventional cardiology treatment device such as a catheter bearing a stent or a balloon (not shown) is then inserted through the lumen of coaxial guide catheter **12** which remains inside guide catheter **56**.

# *“interventional cardiology device”*

- Distal end protective catheter (5) is inserted into catheter (2)



# Claim 1

## '413 patent

1. A method of providing backup support for an **interventional cardiology device** for use in the coronary vasculature, the **interventional cardiology device** being adapted to be passed through a standard guide catheter, . . . the method comprising:
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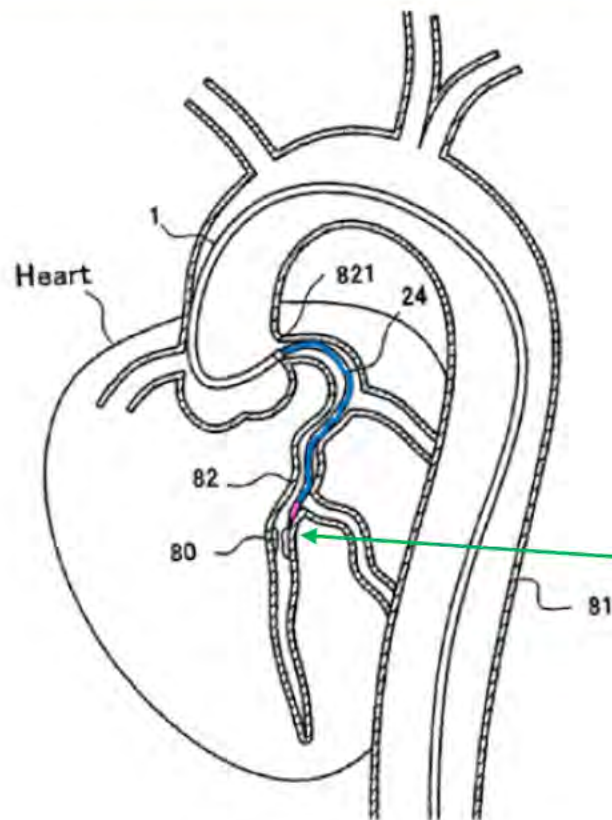
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- 15 Q. So as you sit here today, you can't think of an  
16 example where you've used just a guide wire in a  
17 premeditative way to treat a lesion or occlusion, right?  
18 A. As the sole treatment, no.  
19 Q. And it's used in conjunction, the guide wire,  
20 with a stent or a balloon --  
21 A. True.  
22 Q. -- usually, correct?  
23 A. That is correct.

- 21 So I think that a guide wire is a device  
22 which allows the delivery. It's an essential part of the  
23 delivery

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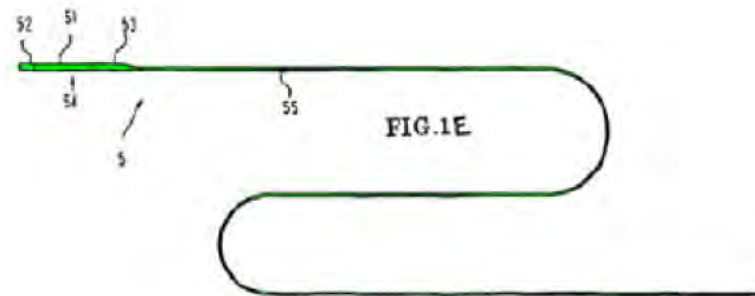


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***necessarily a sequential insertion?***

***guide extension inserted into GC***

***IVCD inserted into GC***

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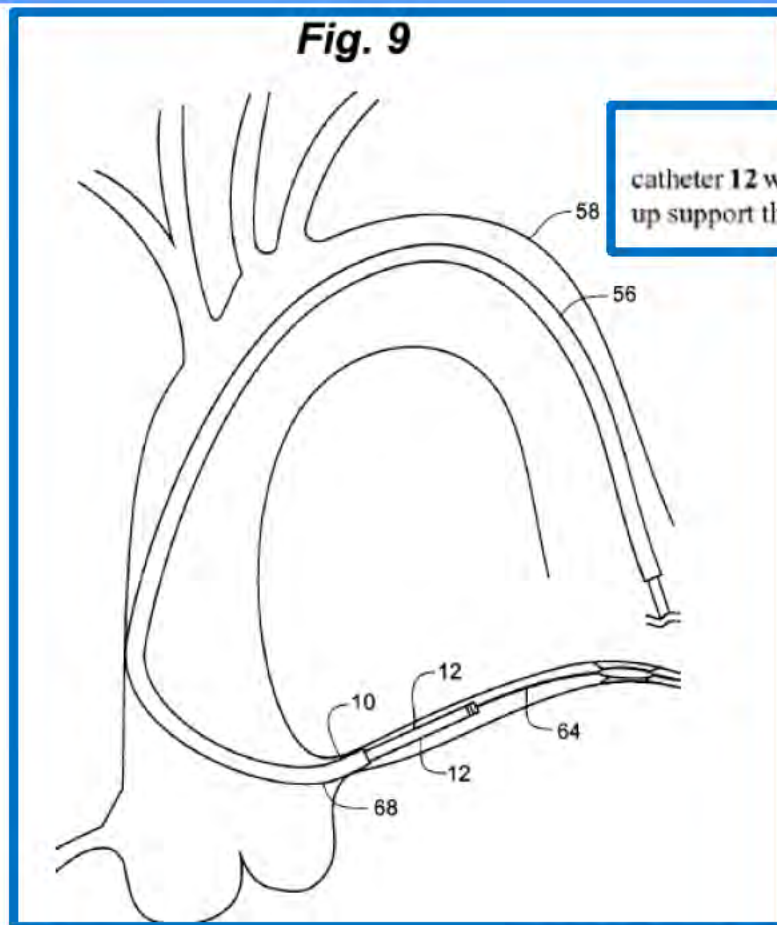
## *order of steps*

- *Interactive Gift Express, Inc. v. CompuServe, Inc.*, 256 F.3d 1323, 1342 (Fed. Cir. 2001) (“Unless the steps of a method actually recite an order, the steps are not ordinarily construed to require one.”)
- *Altiris Inc. v. Symantec Corp.*, 318 F.3d 1363, 1370-71 (Fed. Cir. 2003) (reversing a claim construction in which the order of steps used by the sole, preferred embodiment was imported into the claims)



# order of steps

- “backup support”



The presence of coaxial guide catheter 12 within guide catheter 56 also provides stiffer backup support than guide catheter 56 alone.

*sequential  
insertion*

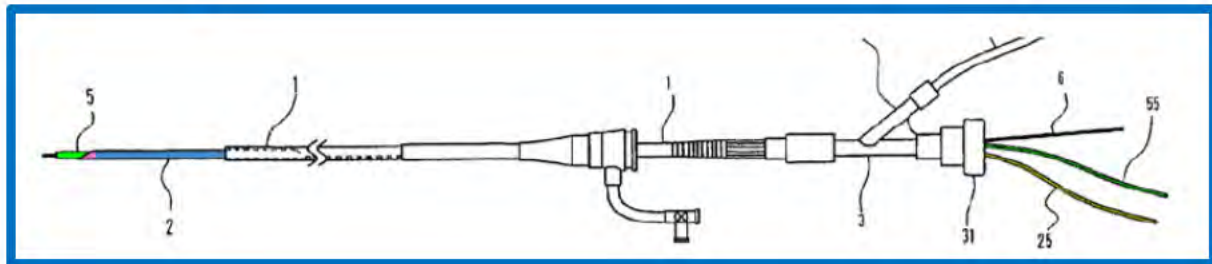
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# order of steps

1fi. inserting the interventional cardiology device into and through the continuous lumen of the standard guide catheter alongside of the substantially rigid portion . . .

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13 Q. So it's the same question we had earlier.  
14 If those -- If that preloaded assembly is just lying  
15 on the table here, the distal end protective catheter  
16 is lying alongside the -- the pushrod of Itou's  
17 catheter 2; right?  
18 A. In the context of just sitting there on the  
19 table, yes.



## *order of steps*

- sequential insertion ***required?***
  - *Mformation Tech. v. Research in Motion*, 764 F.3d 1392 (Fed. Cir. 2014) (agreeing that a connection is necessarily established between a wireless device and a server before there can be transmission from the latter to the former)
  - *Mantech Environmental Corp. v. Hudson Environmental Servs.*, 152 F.3d 1368 (Fed. Cir. 1998) (determining that wells must be provided before acid may be introduced through the wells into groundwater )

- sequential insertion **not** required

19. As I have testified, claim 1 does not mandate insertion of an interventional cardiology device after insertion of a coaxial guide catheter.

Ex-2245, 82:7-83:3. Premounted or preformed devices may be advanced within a catheter so long as the whole delivery system is de-aired, which guards against the danger of introducing an air embolism. *Id.*, 94:19-23; *see also* Ex-1846, 39:7-14, 44:5-14, 46:8-23, 48:21-49:14, 49:23-50:25; Ex-1797, 23:24-26:3.



**sequential  
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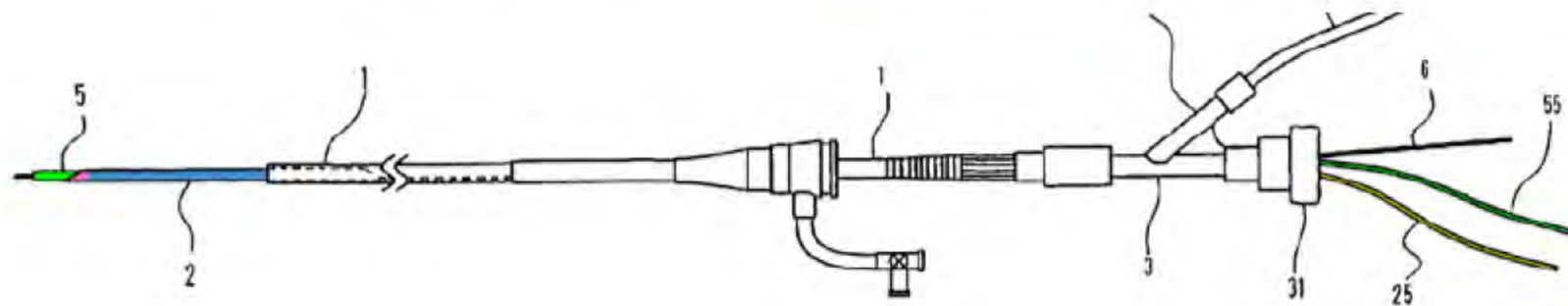
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(6) The distal end protective catheter **5** is pulled out.

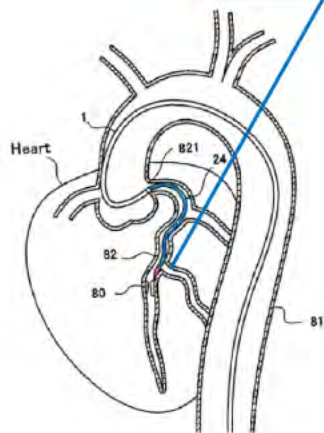
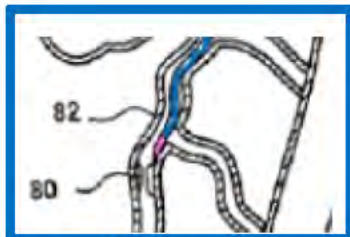


# Claim 1

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- Itou discloses a “lesion” at target location 80



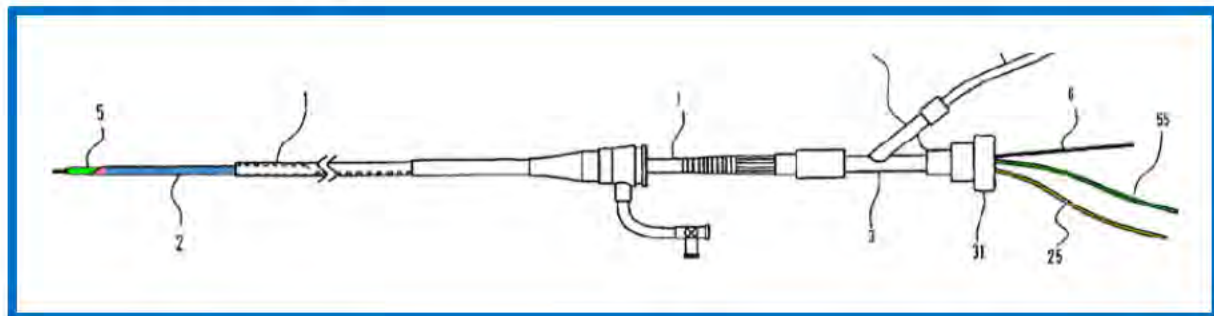
5 Q. So a thrombus develops from a lesion; is  
6 that -- do I have that right?

7 A. So this gets more nuanced. Normally in the  
8 vast majority of heart attacks, yes, there is a lesion  
9 that ruptures, a plaque that ruptures and causes a  
10 thrombus. In a small proportion of patients, the  
11 thrombus occurs de novo and is embolized from  
12 somewhere else in the body.

22 Whereas a large thrombus, as is described in  
23 Itou, is -- is sitting right there not being carried  
24 downstream, or if it is it's not very far downstream



- Catheter (5) is longer than catheter (2)

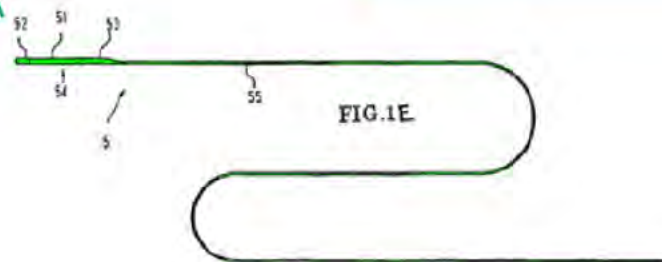
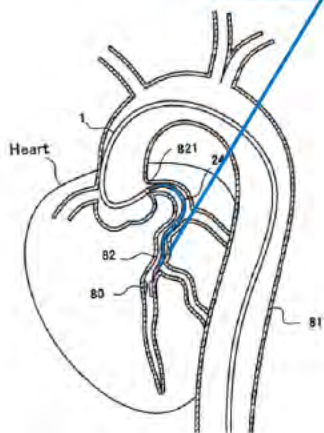
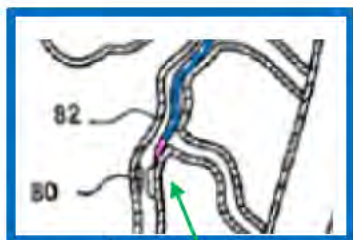


The  
 50 distal end protective catheter **5** is inserted in the lumen of the  
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 suction catheter **2** such that it acts as a protective safety tip  
 upon insertion into a blood vessel

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- Catheter (5) is necessarily advanced into contact with the lesion at the target location



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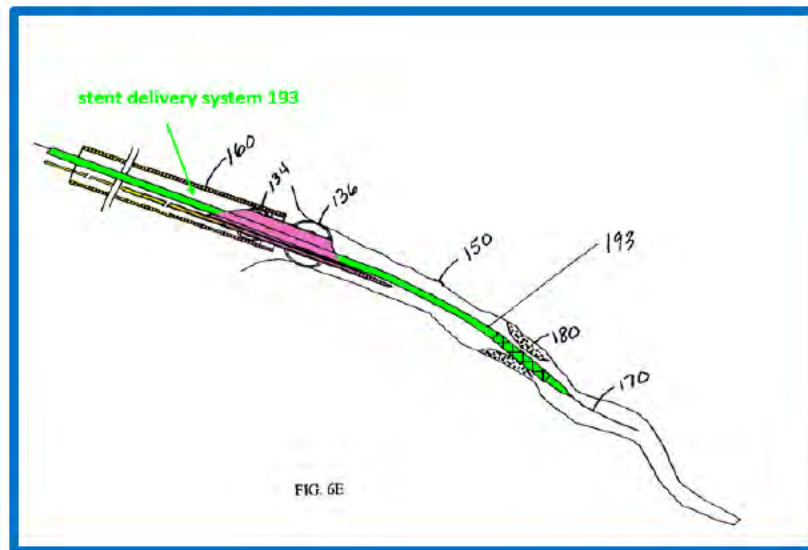
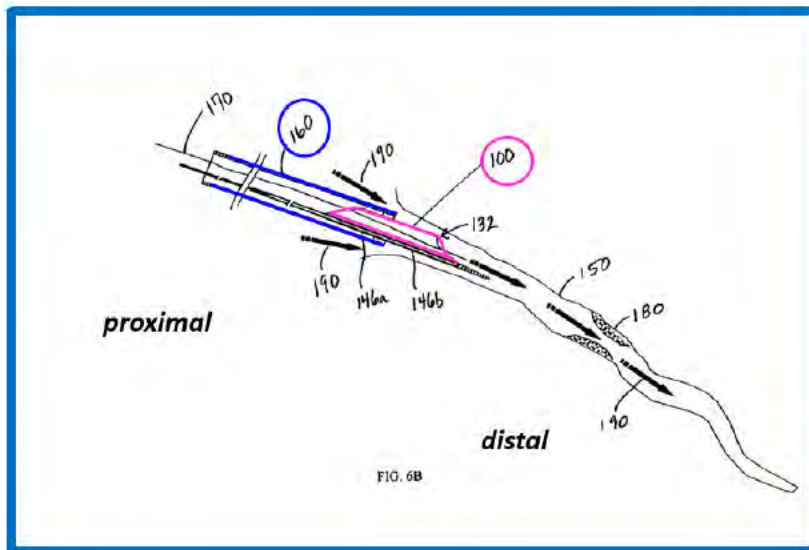
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# Itou RENDERS OBVIOUS

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“Specifically, the claims are directed to methods of using a guide extension catheter like GuideLiner to deliver a stent or balloon into a coronary artery.”  
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*Ressemann*



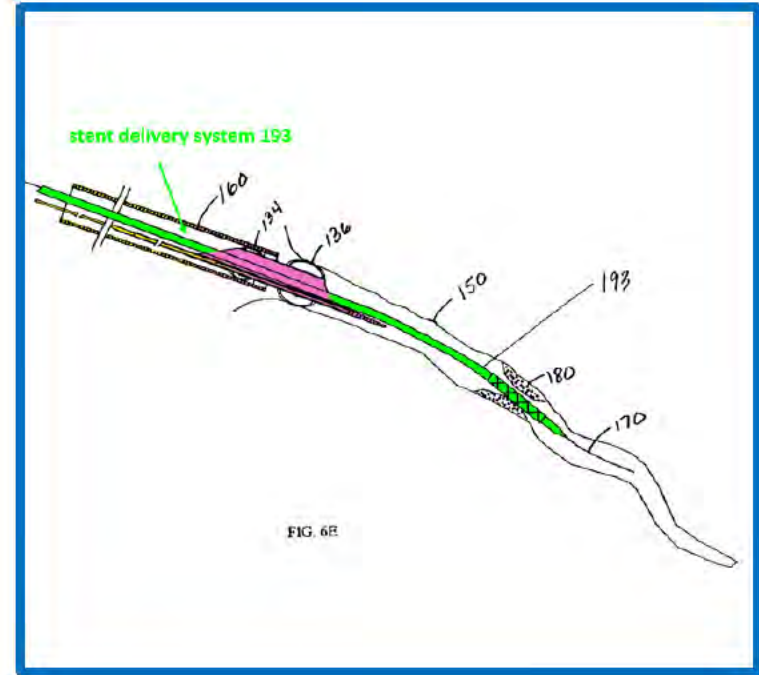
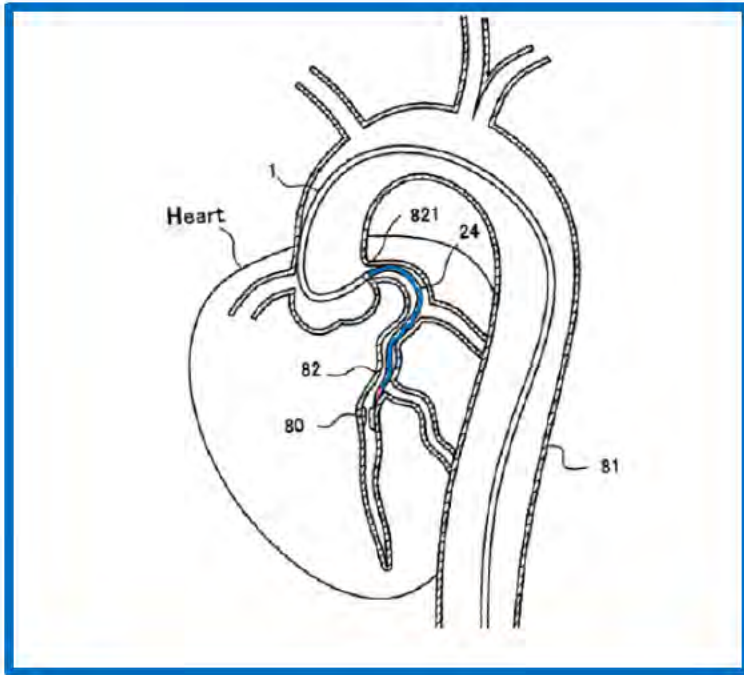


Would it have been obvious to use Itou's catheter (2) - - - with no modification to its structure - - - to deliver a balloon catheter or stent across a lesion?

## Patent Owner's arguments:

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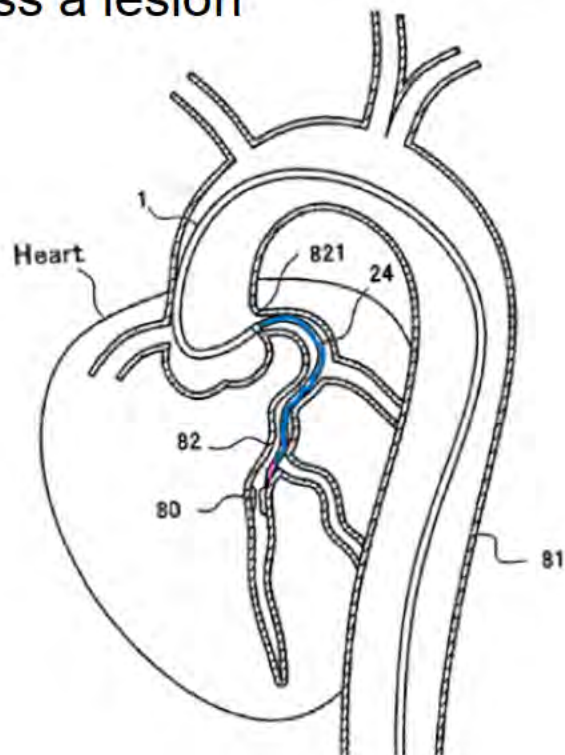
- Itou and Ressemann both disclose catheters for removing coronary artery occlusions.



- An obviousness “analysis need not seek out precise teachings directed to the specific subject matter of the challenged claim, for a court can take account of the inferences and creative steps that a person of ordinary skill in the art would employ.” *KSR Int’l. Co. v. Teleflex, Inc.*, 550 U.S. 398, 418 (Fed. Cir. 2007).
- “A reference must be considered for everything that it teaches, not simply the described invention or a preferred embodiment.” *In re Applied Materials, Inc.*, 692 F.2d 1289 (Fed. Cir. 2012)



Catheter (2) is in precisely the right place to deliver a balloon catheter or stent across a lesion



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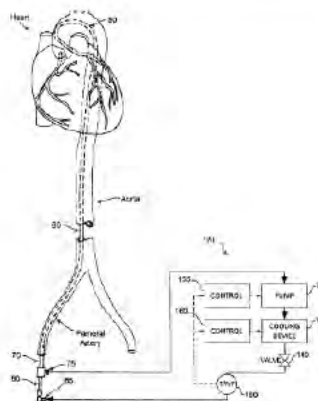
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**ABSTRACT**

Devices and methods that mitigate reperfusion injury (RI) in a coronary percutaneous manner so as to avoid significantly increasing time to reperfusion. In general, these systems and methods involve an integrated approach to deliver a fluid to the myocardium at risk of RI before, during and after reperfusion is established by a percutaneous coronary intervention with a reperfusion catheter.



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[0084] Once the infusion wire 320 is across the blockage 296, infusion of cooled fluid 297 may be initiated to the ischemic tissue distal of the blockage 296. Thrombus may be then removed by utilizing the aspiration sheath 340 as a thrombectomy catheter, as shown in FIG. 28. Cooling may be continued via the infusion wire 320 during this step. Once the thrombus is removed, it may be desirable to remove the infusion wire 320. Thrombus may “hang up” within the lumen of the aspiration sheath 340, but if the infusion wire 320 (or any device in the lumen) is removed while suctioning, any thrombus particulate will be removed. This can be important if the thrombectomy (aspiration) catheter is used subsequently for infusion.

[0085] Next, while the aspiration sheath 340 is positioned distally of the residual lesion 299, a conventional guide wire 100 may be placed distally, thus preserving access for subsequent stent placement. Infusion of cooled fluid may be performed during this and following steps.





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And Itou's pushwire reduces the *effective size* of Itou's opening by about 22%, from 0.059 inches to around 0.046 inches.  
Ex-2138, ¶146; Ex-2145, ¶130.

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29. Similarly, even if the “effective size” of the opening to the lumen of catheter (2) were 0.046 inches, angioplasty catheters were known to be insertable through catheters with lumen of 0.045 inches. Ex-1009, 4:48-64; Ex-1833, 1.

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31. Baim explains that “[a]ll current slotted tube designs are ‘bare mounted’ on a delivery balloon, with deflated profiles smaller than 0.040-in. (1mm).” Ex-1015, 189.

And an article by Colombo described several balloon-expandable stents with crossing profiles well under 0.046 inches, including those with profiles of 0.99 mm (0.038 inch), 0.93 mm (0.036 inch) and 0.84 mm (0.033 inch). Ex-1804, Table 1, Fig. 3.

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42. Moreover, even if Itou's proximal opening was obstructed by wire 25 so that the "effective size" of catheter 2's opening went from 0.059 inches (1.5mm) to 0.046 inches (1.16 mm) as Patent Owner and Mr. Keith allege (it is not), such an opening is still large enough to receive a standard coronary stent.

43. By the early 2000s, standard coronary stents, guidewires, balloon catheters, and stent catheters were available with an outer diameter sufficient to pass through Itou's allegedly constricted opening of 0.046 inches. *See* Ex-1015,

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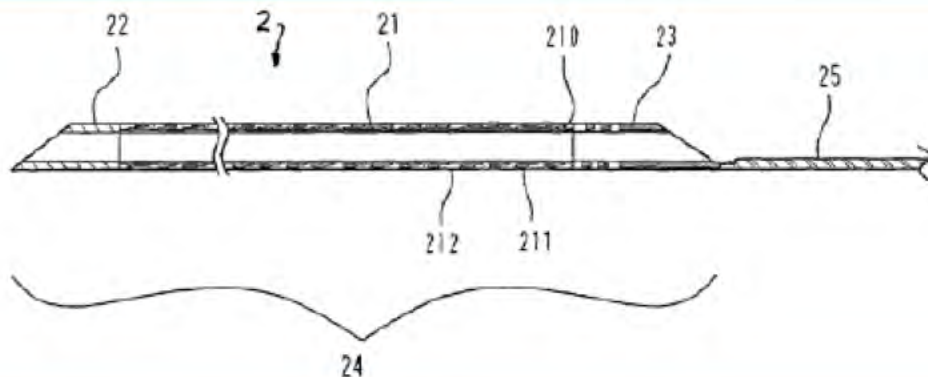
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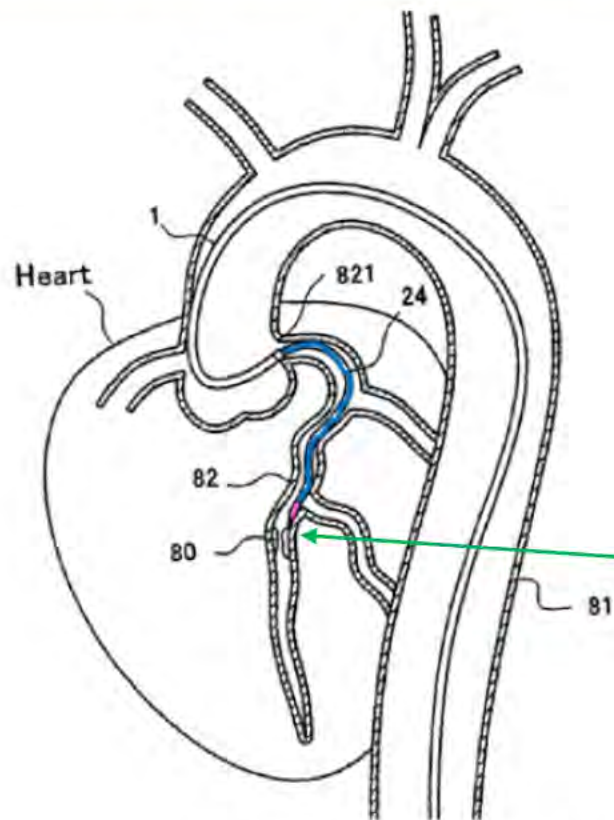
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54. As mentioned above, Itou discloses that suction catheter 2's tubular body 24 comprises a body portion 21 that is lined with, *e.g.*, PTFE. *See* Ex-1007, Fig. 3, below. Itou is silent on the lining of portion 23 which also comprise tubular body 24. POSITA would understand that portion 23 would also include a lining having a sliding or lubricious property.





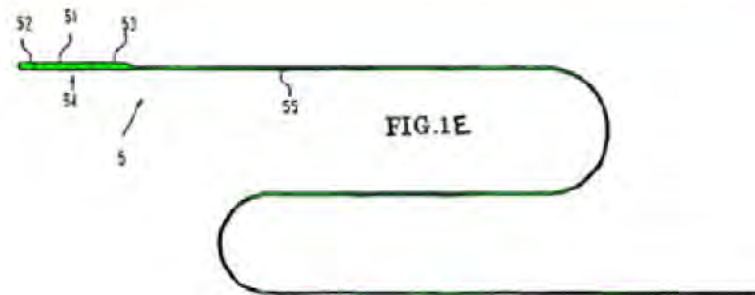


(4) A combination of the suction catheter 2 and the distal end protective catheter 5 is inserted into the guiding catheter 1 along the guide wire 6.

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(5) The distal end of the combination of the suction catheter 2 and the distal end protective catheter 5 is inserted to the target location 80.

(6) The distal end protective catheter 5 is pulled out.





- Catheter (2)'s “effective size” cannot be 0.046 inches or 1.16 mm

TABLE 1

Name of device	Overall length (mm)	Outer diameter (mm)	Inner diameter (mm)	
Guiding catheter 1	1000	2.06	1.8	55
Suction catheter 2 (tubular portion)	150	1.72	1.5	60
Suction catheter 2 (wire-like portion)	1100	0.45	—	
Distal end protective catheter 5 (tubular portion)	20	1.35	0.5	
Distal end protective catheter 5 (wire-like portion)	1300	0.45	—	65

# Double Incline claims

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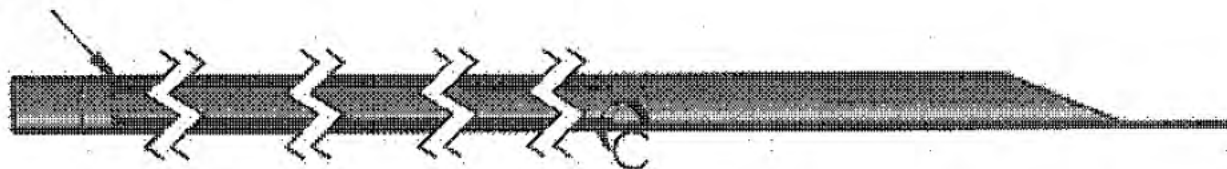


# PO's Inventor and Expert Agree: No Difference in Inclines

**Guideliner V1**



**Guideliner V2**



**Guideliner V3**



Ex-2138, Appendix B (citing Ex-2139, -2140, -2141)  
See Paper No. 21 (PO's Response) at 61, IPR2020-01343



# PO's Inventor and Expert Agree: No Difference in Inclines

And I'm trying to figure out, **what is the angled side opening**, like what's shown in Figure 4 -- what do you understand that that provides, other than a transition?

**Does it have an advantage?**

**A. Not in my view.**

Q. So it could -- the invention could be formed -- could be made with a perpendicular side opening, like Figure 1. And it would work just as well as an angled side opening, like Figure 4?

**A. I believe so. If it's done right.**

Ex-1794 (Inventor Sutton Dep. Tr.), 75:13-23

1 Q. Okay. And so the benefits that you talk  
2 about, stents catching, balloons tearing, as we  
3 discussed, are those benefits achieved with just a  
4 single angle or single incline side opening?  
5 A. I think largely they are, yes.  
6 Q. Are they achieved with a two-angled side  
7 opening, or two inclined side openings?  
8 A. Certain two inclined side openings, I think,  
9 also provide that.  
10 Q. Okay. **So the issues that you mention, stent**  
11 **hang-up, balloon tear, et cetera, can you identify**  
12 **any difference in the improvement you discuss here**  
13 **for a single incline versus a double incline**  
14 **opening?**  
15 A. I think there are -- there may be some  
16 differences and some further advantages, but -- I  
17 mean, **I certainly haven't elaborated on that in**  
18 **this part of my report**

Ex-1800 (Keith Dep. Tr.), 39:1-18

# PO's Inventor and Expert Agree: No Difference in Inclines

6           As you sit here today, is there any reason  
7 you can think of, as an interventional cardiologist, that  
8 you would want to use a two incline proximal opening  
9 versus a one incline proximal opening.

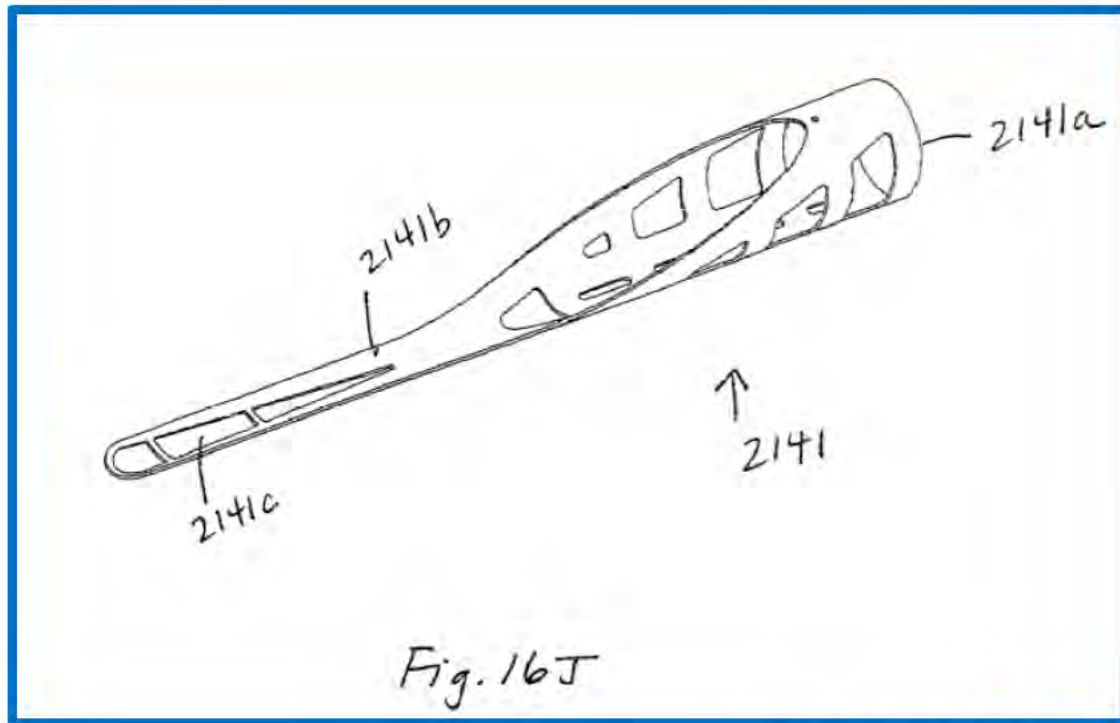
10           MR. WINKELS: Objection, form. Objection,  
11 scope.

12           A. I have not considered it, so I -- I -- there  
13 may well be; and if I read up on it, I may come back and  
14 say, yes, there is. But at the moment, I have not  
15 considered it.

Ex-1813 (Graham Dep. Tr.), 98:6-15

## Ressemann Collar

# Ressemann Collar



IPR2020-01343, Ex-1008

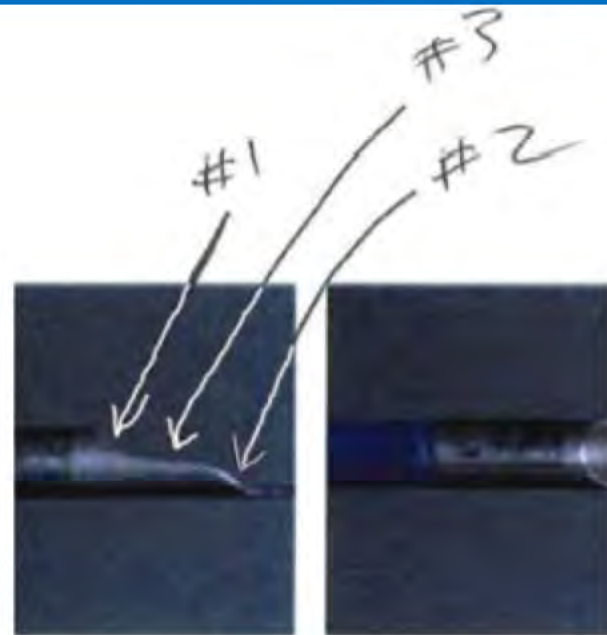


# Incline – PO's Expert Says Incline is “Just Sort of By Eye”

21 How do you know where incline 1 ends  
22 and incline 3 begins?  
23 A. To me it's just sort of by eye, that incline  
24 I has a -- sort of a relatively steeper quality to  
25 it. Incline 3 has a shallower quality to it. So  
somewhere in between there is where that goes from  
one to the next.

3 Q. Okay. And so if you can identify an incline  
4 relative to the longitudinal axis, even if it's  
5 shallow, that constitutes an incline; is that  
6 fair?  
7 A. I don't know if it's quite that specific. I  
8 think -- in this example, I think that works.

Ex-1800 (Keith Tr), 45:21-46:2; 47:3-8



Guide Laser VI

Ex-1122 (color added to arrows for visibility)

## Incline – Petitioner’s Expert Uses PO’s Testimony

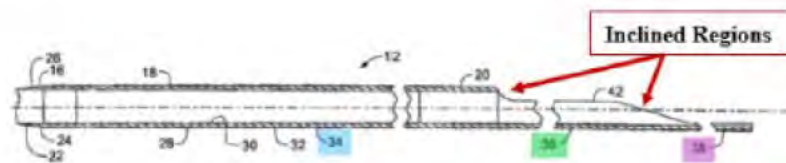
84. I have also reviewed the testimony of Mr. Root and Mr. Keith in Related IPRs. While Teleflex’s position in its Response is that the first incline on collar 2141 is “extremely tiny,” that position seems at odds with their testimony, as discussed below.

85. Mr. Keith did not opine that patent claims require an inclined slope of any particular size or shape. IPR2020-01343, Ex-2138; Ex-1805, 104:5-107:3, 176:10-177:16. An incline may be shallow. Ex-1800, 47:3-8. This was also the view of Mr. Root. Ex-1762, 91:24-93:25; Ex-1854. Based on Mr. Root’s testimony, there are two inclines in the figure shown below.

Ex-1806 (Brecker Supplemental Decl.), ¶¶ 84-85

# Incline – Petitioner’s Expert Uses PO’s Testimony

87. Mr. Keith has also opined that the curved area in Fig. 4 from the patent is also an incline.



Ex-2138, ¶ 94.

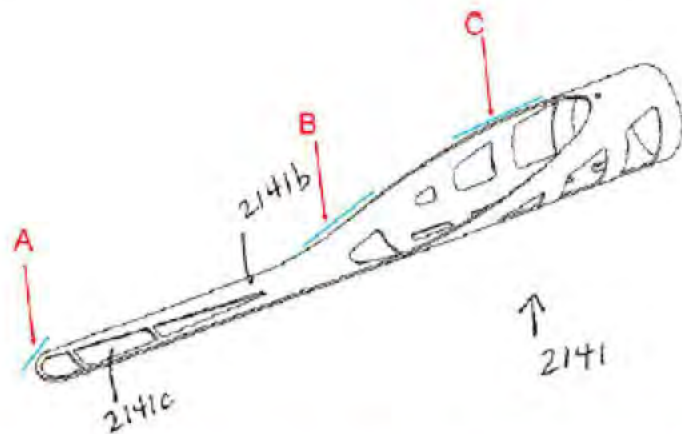
89. Given the testimony of Teleflex’s witnesses, it is my opinion that collar 2141 of Ressemann discloses more than two inclines. I understand that Mr. Keith has testified that collar 2141 has at least one incline leading up to its fully circumferential portion. Ex-1805, 173:14-174:3. He also admitted that collar 2141 has a second incline at the tip of tab 2141b. Ex-1800, 166:8-12, 168:9-19.

Ex-1806 (Brecker Supplemental Decl.), ¶¶ 87, 89



# Incline – Ressemann Has More Than Two Inclines

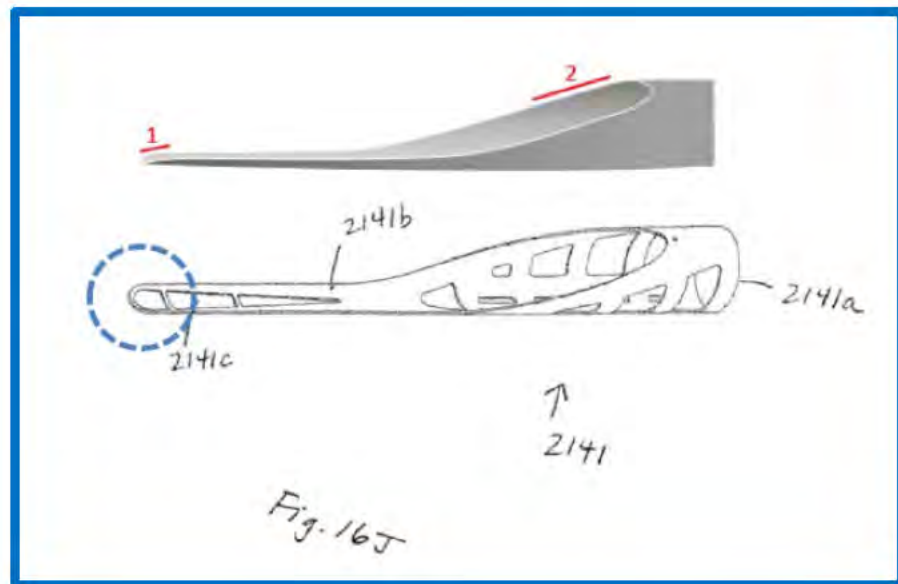
90. In addition to two inclines, A and C, the collar has at least a third incline, at the transition between 2141a and 2141b, which is a curve shape similar to the curve that Mr. Keith identifies as an incline in Fig. 4 of the patent.



Ex-1806 (Brecker Supplemental Decl.) ¶ 90



# Incline – PO's Expert Says Ressemann's Tip Has An Incline



IPR2020-00129, Ex-2138 ¶ 170

8 Q. Okay. That tip in the circle does show an  
9 initial incline as you come into the collar,  
10 right?

11 A. Yeah. I described that as a miniscule  
12 incline. And this is looking at the collar, you

Ex-1800 (Keith. Dep. Tr.), 166:8-12

9 Q. And I just want to be clear; a miniscule  
10 incline counts as an incline in the context of  
11 these patent claims we're talking about, right?

12 A. I would argue that it counts as a -- it may  
13 count as an incline in an abstract when we're just  
14 trying to put labels on to this device in free  
15 space, but in the context of an incline that would  
16 be part of a side opening, you know, I don't --  
17 certainly, when it's in the device as disclosed in  
18 Ressemann, this does not form an incline that's  
19 part of the side opening.

Ex-1800 (Keith. Dep. Tr.), 168:9-19

# Motivation to Combine and Expectation of Success

## A. Motivation to Combine

1. Larger Area of Entry
2. Provide a Flexibility Transition

## B. Expectation of Success

1. Taper Pushwire and Put Collar 2141 On Top
2. Weld Collar Directly to Itou's Pushwire
3. Patent Owner's Interpretation of Tab

# Ressemann's Proximal Opening Disclosure is Relevant to Ito

45 The first and preferably larger of the lumens, an evacuation  
lumen 140, is designed to allow for the passage of interven-  
tional devices such as, but not limited to, stent delivery sys-  
tems and angioplasty catheters. The evacuation lumen 140 is  
also designed to allow for fluid flow, such as blood, blood/  
solid mixtures, radiographic dye and saline, within the evacu-  
50 ation lumen 140. This flow of fluid may occur regardless of  
whether an interventional device is within the evacuation  
lumen 140. The proximal and distal ends 140a, 140b of the  
evacuation lumen 140 are preferably angled to allow for  
smoother passage of the evacuation sheath assembly 100  
55 through a guide catheter, and into a blood vessel, and to  
facilitate smoother passage of other therapeutic devices  
through the evacuation lumen 140 of the evacuation head 132.  
The larger area of the angled open ends also allows for larger  
deformable particulate matter to pass through the lumen more  
60 smoothly.

Ex-1008 (Ressemann), 6:45-61  
see also Ex-1123 (Keith Patent), 7:54-60

3 Q. That's the identical passage we talked about  
4 earlier discussing that the proximal and distal  
5 ends are advantageous for smoother passage to the  
6 guide catheter. Smoother passage of therapeutic  
7 devices and allowing for larger deformable  
8 particulate matter to pass through the lumen more  
9 smoothly, correct?

10 A. It looks to be the same, yeah.

11 Q. And, again, you would have had a chance to  
12 review this, and you agree with this passage as  
13 you sit here today, right?

14 A. Yes.

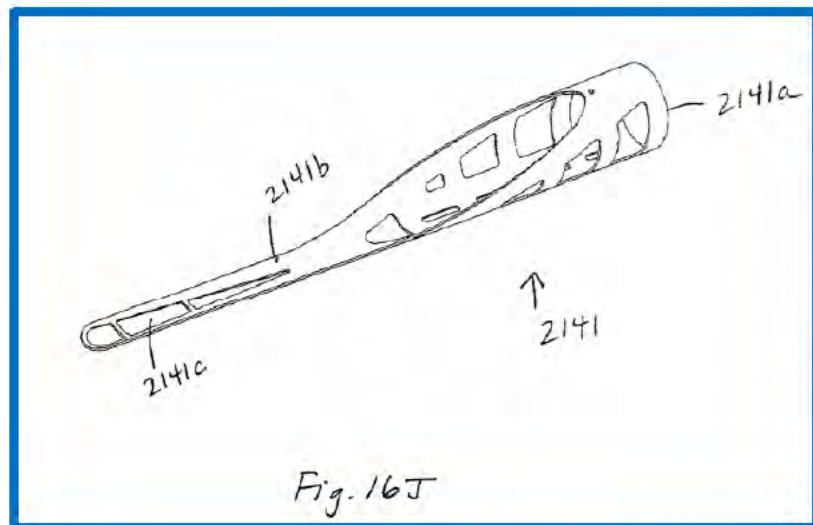
15 Q. And this patent where you have your name on  
16 it, nowhere in this patent is there anything about  
17 the use of a flare or a reverse bevel, correct?

18 A. I don't see it in any of the figures.

Ex-1800 (Keith Dep. Tr.), 149:3-18



# Ressemann's Collar 2141 "Reinforces" And Is the Proximal Opening



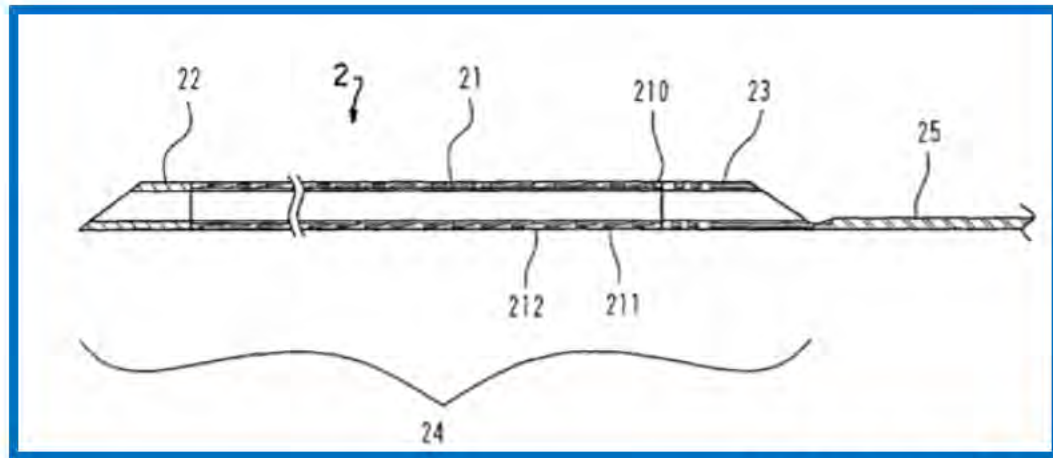
Ex-1008 (Ressemann) Fig. 16J

As embodied herein and shown in FIGS. 16D and 16J, the evacuation head 2132 may include a structure to reinforce the proximal opening of the multi-lumen tube 2138. A support collar 2141 is positioned about the proximal end of the multi lumen tube 2138 and serves to reinforce the proximal opening of the evacuation lumen 2140 in the presence of deforming forces, particularly torsional stresses that may be created unintentionally by rotation of the catheter shaft near its proximal end. As shown in FIG. 16J, the support collar 2141 includes a cylindrical portion 2141a that fits into the proximal opening of the evacuation lumen 2140 and provides hoop support to the opening of the multi-lumen tube 2138. The cylindrical portion 2141a of the support collar 2141 tapers

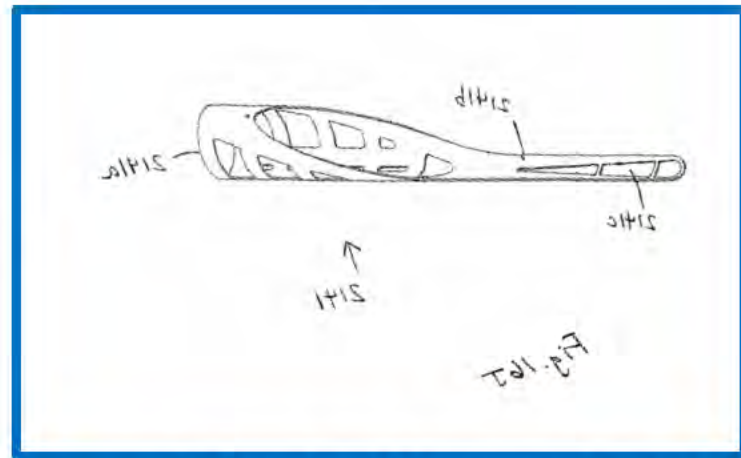
Ex-1008 (Ressemann), 24:47-58



# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar



Ex-1007 (Itou), Fig. 3



Ex-1008, Fig. 16J (orientation reversed)

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3. Patent Owner's Interpretation of Tab

# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar

288. A POSITA had the motivation to modify the proximal end of the tubular structure of Itou's suction catheter (2), because s/he had the motivation to use catheter (2) to deliver a balloon catheter or stent for the reasons I discussed for claim 25.

289. Modifying the proximal opening of Itou's suction catheter (2) with Ressemann's collar 2141 would provide a larger area within which to receive the balloon catheter or stent.

Ex-1005 (Brecker Decl.), ¶¶ 288-89

87. The larger the opening area, the less coaxially aligned the interventional device (guidewire or balloon catheter) must be to enter the catheter lumen. By including features such as a concave track and angled opening, easier insertion of the interventional device is facilitated during a procedure.

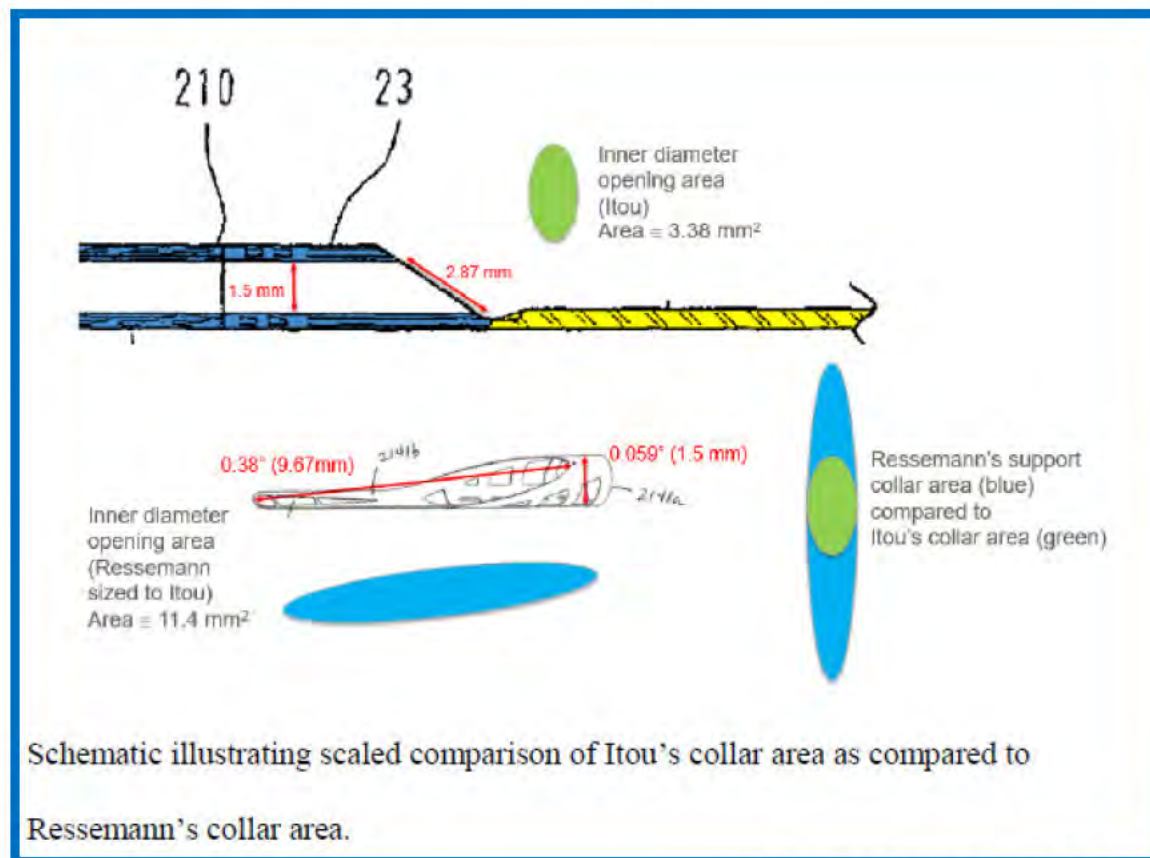
# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar

61. A POSITA would be motivated to modify Itou because the area of opening provided by the Ressemann collar creates a longer and more gradual entryway into the lumen of catheter 2. While Itou and Ressemann do not report the area of each of their angled side openings, these areas can be estimated based on the figures and dimensions reported in each patent. I compared what the area of the opening would be based on the inner diameter of Itou's catheter 2, which is 1.5 mm. Ex-1007, Table 1, 7:60. To compare to Ressemann's support collar, I scaled Ressemann's support collar such that it has the same inner diameter of Itou. Since Ressemann's support collar's inner diameter is ~0.067 inches (1.7mm) (Ex-1008, 23:4), I scaled Ressemann's collar down by 12% to achieve the same 1.5 mm inner diameter.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 61



# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar



Schematic illustrating scaled comparison of Itou's collar area as compared to Ressemann's collar area.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 62

# Motivation to Combine and Expectation of Success

## A. Motivation to Combine

1. Larger Area of Entry

2. Provide a Flexibility Transition

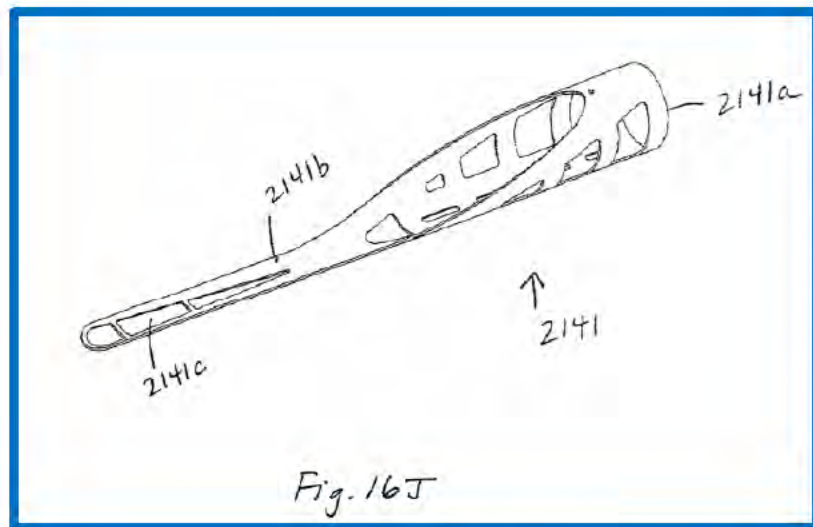
## B. Expectation of Success

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3. Patent Owner's Interpretation of Tab

# Ressemann's Collar 2141 Reinforces the Proximal Opening



Ex-1008 (Ressemann), Fig. 16J

The cylindrical portion 2141a of the support collar 2141 tapers into a tab portion 2141b that extends proximally and in a direction parallel to a longitudinal axis of the evacuation lumen 2140. The tab portion 2141b lies adjacent the exterior walls of the multi-lumen tube 2138 which define the core wire lumen 2143 and the inflation lumen 2142 and provides a flexibility transition between the proximal end of the evacuation head 2131 and the shaft of the evacuation sheath assembly 2100.

Ex-1008 (Ressemann), 24:58-67

# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar

74. By the relevant time frame it was well known to a POSITA that a critical region where kinking and buckling can occur in coronary catheters was at the interface between the stiff proximal portion and the flexible distal portion of the catheter due to the change in stiffness at this interface.” Ex-1829, 2:38-49.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 74



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# Modifying Itou with Ressemann is Routine Engineering

70. A POSITA also appreciates that tab 2141b could be placed on top of a push rod, like wire-like portion (25), and the combination would have no catch points or ledge.

71. In the alternative, wire-like portion 25 could be flattened or tapered at its distal end, at the point at which it is affixed to collar 2141b. *See, e.g.*, Ex-1015, 551 (“The basic guidewire consists of a solid core (stainless steel or the superelastic alloy known as Nitinol) that is ground to a progressive taper in its distal portion.”); Ex-1033, [0071], [0078]-[0079] (teaching tapering of the distal end of a pushwire attached to a distal tubular body). In addition to securing support collar 2141 to pushrod by adhesive and polymer encasement, the metal support collar could be spot-welded to the pushrod, as taught by both Itou and Ressemann.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.) ¶¶ 70-71

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# Modifying Ito with Ressemann Collar

289. Modifying the proximal opening of Ito's suction catheter (2) with Ressemann's collar 2141 would provide a larger area within which to receive the balloon catheter or stent.

290. Tab 2141b of collar 2141 is concave. This would be an advantage, as adding it to the proximal opening of the tubular structure of Ito would not impede entry into the lumen.

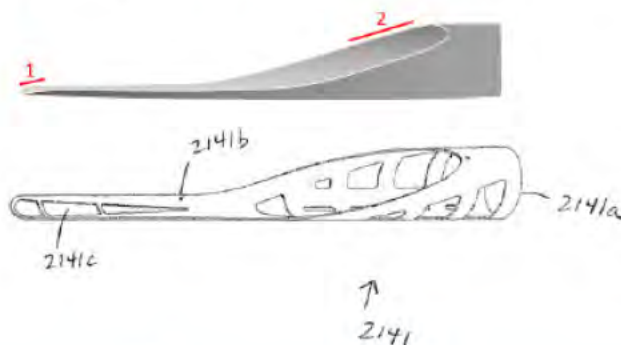


Fig. 16J

Ex-1005 (Brecker Decl.), ¶¶ 289-90, 92



# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar

64. The second way that collar 2141 is an improvement over Itou's metal collar relates to the way that Itou teaches wire-like portion 25 should be attached to the proximal opening of the tubular portion of catheter (2). Itou teaches a weld point that is crushed flat. *See* Ex-1007, 4:35. This requires plastic deformation of the metal, resulting in work hardening and a decrease in the metal's ductility at that location. *See* Ex-1818, 117-18, 121-23. A reduction in ductility at a critical stiffness transition point is known in the art to be susceptible to kinking. Including tab 2141b on top of Itou's pushrod would decrease the risk that the device failed at the crushed weld point.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 64

# Motivation to Combine and Expectation of Success

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2. **Weld Collar Directly to Itou's Pushwire**
3. Patent Owner's Interpretation of Tab

# Modifying Itou with Ressemann is Routine Engineering

25 FIG. 4 is a view illustrating an example of a method of  
joining the wire-like portion 25 and the tubular portion 24  
together. Referring to FIG. 4, the proximal tip 23 includes a  
body which in turn includes a proximal end portion 231  
formed by obliquely cutting one end of a metal pipe such as a  
30 pipe of stainless steel and a distal end portion 232 formed by  
working the other end portion of the metal pipe into a spiral  
shape. The inner and outer faces of the body are coated with  
a resin. The proximal end portion 231 is secured firmly by  
being welded to the distal end of the wire-like portion 25  
35 crushed into a form of a flat plate so that it may not be broken  
during use. The resin layers which cover the inner and outer  
faces of the proximal tip 23 are secured to the tubular body  
portion 21 by fusion. Where the proximal tip 23 is formed  
from such a metal material as described above, the surface of  
40 the proximal tip 23 is plated with gold. The portion plated  
with gold functions as an X-ray contrast marker (radiopaque  
marker).

Ex-1007 (Itou), 4:33-36

5 Q. How is that rod attached to incline -- the  
6 area by incline 2?  
7 A. I don't know the exact details of that, but I  
8 believe it's some sort of welding process.  
9 Q. Okay. And that's something you would know  
10 how to do as an engineer?  
11 A. Well, at a high level, yes. I mean, there  
12 may be particulars about this specific design, any  
13 design that you would need to do some work to --  
14 you know, to perfect that, say. But, certainly,  
15 you know, welding is -- two metal components on a  
16 catheter, I think that's fairly well established  
17 as something that has been done.

Ex-1800 (Keith Dep. Tr.), 48:5-17



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### 3. Patent Owner's Interpretation of Tab

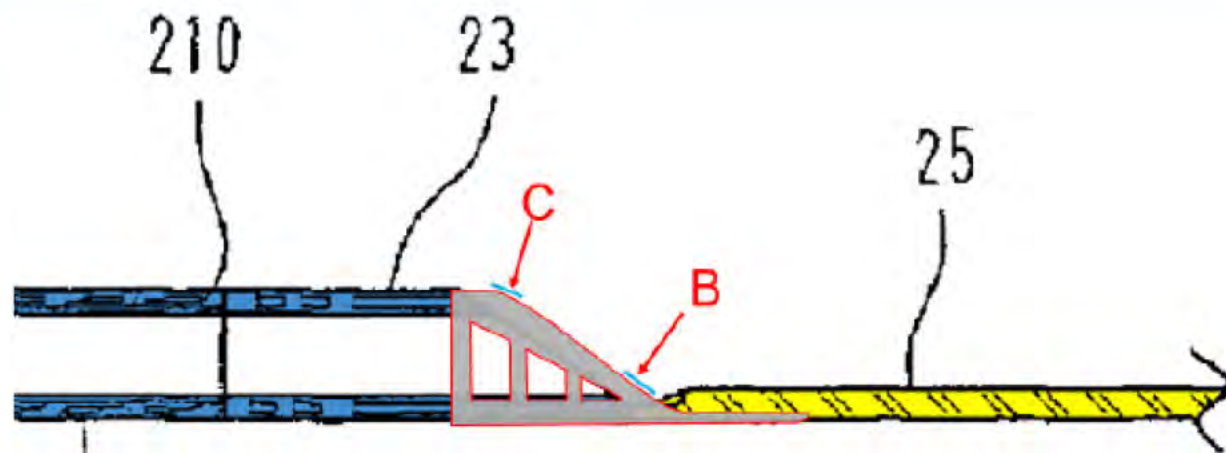


# Modifying Itou with Ressemann Collar

72. I understand Patent Owner has argued that the collar of Ressemann, if combined with Itou, would be placed beneath pushrod wire 25, and not on top of wire 25. *See, e.g.*, IPR2020-00132, Paper 44, 38-43. If the collar were placed beneath pushrod wire 25, the collar would provide support at the proximal opening, improved flexibility transition and improved trackability. In such a scenario, the incline formed at the proximal end of the tab portion would be buried beneath wire 25. The inclines located at B and C of the collar (as shown schematically below) would still be present at the proximal opening as shown schematically below.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 72

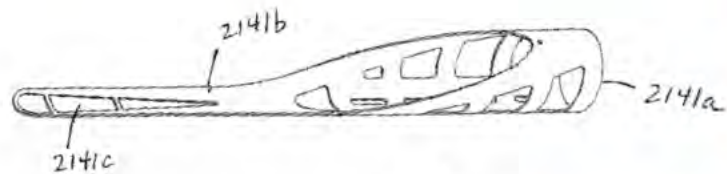
# Modifying Ito with Ressemann Collar



73. Shown above is a schematic of Ito with support collar located beneath pushrod wire 25, as argued by Patent Owner.

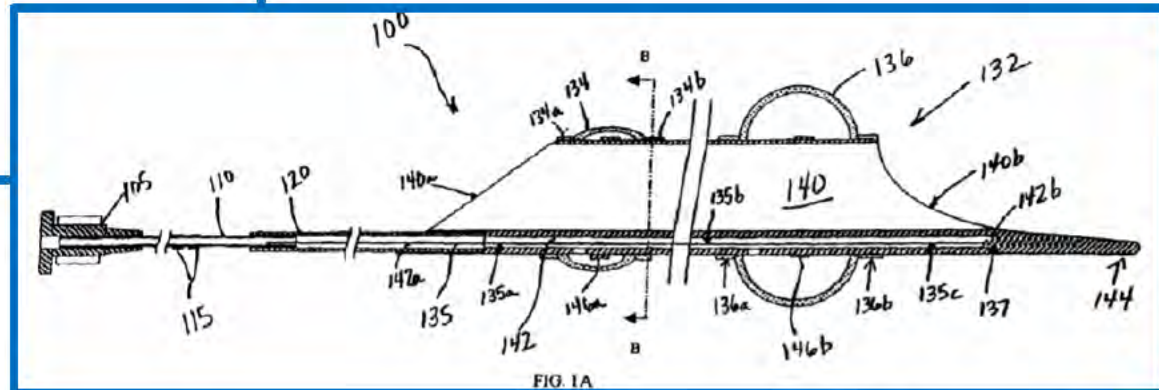
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# Modifying Ressemann with Ressemann Collar



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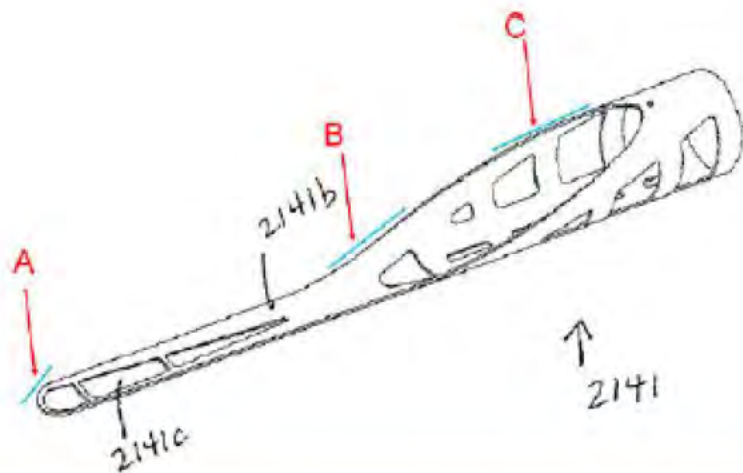
Fig. 16J



IPR2020-00138, Ex-1208

# Incline – Ressemann Has More Than Two Inclines

90. In addition to two inclines, A and C, the collar has at least a third incline, at the transition between 2141a and 2141b, which is a curve shape similar to the curve that Mr. Keith identifies as an incline in Fig. 4 of the patent.





# Modifying Ressemann with Ressemann Collar

65. Additionally, the rigidity of catheter 2 transitions between wire 25 and tubular portion 24. Ex-1007, Figs. 1B, 3, 4, 2:5-26, 3:45-4:42, 5:26-51. A POSITA was aware that a region of flexibility transition could be improved upon by the addition of a stiffness transition member, as discussed below. *See* ¶¶ 74-88, *infra*.

Indeed, Ressemann explicitly teaches that its support collar, in particular its tab portion, functions as a flexibility transition. Ex-1008, 24:62-67. A POSITA would be motivated to include Ressemann's support collar due to the benefit of this flexibility transition.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 65

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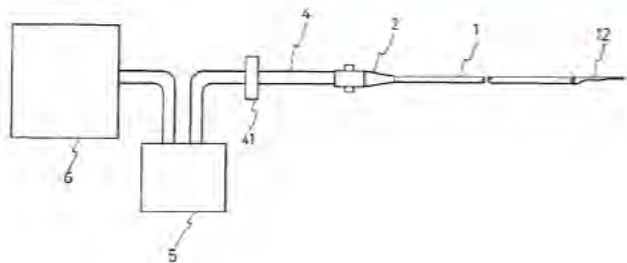
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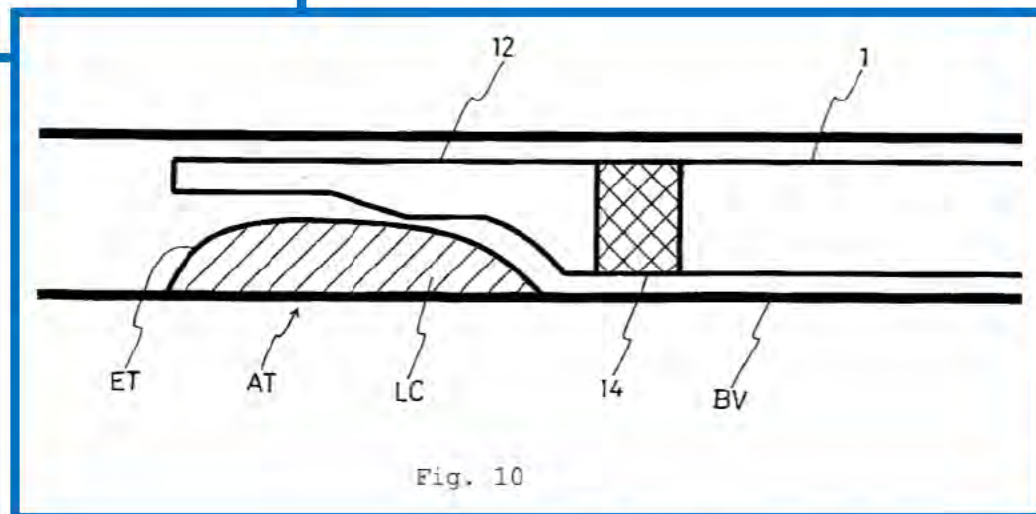
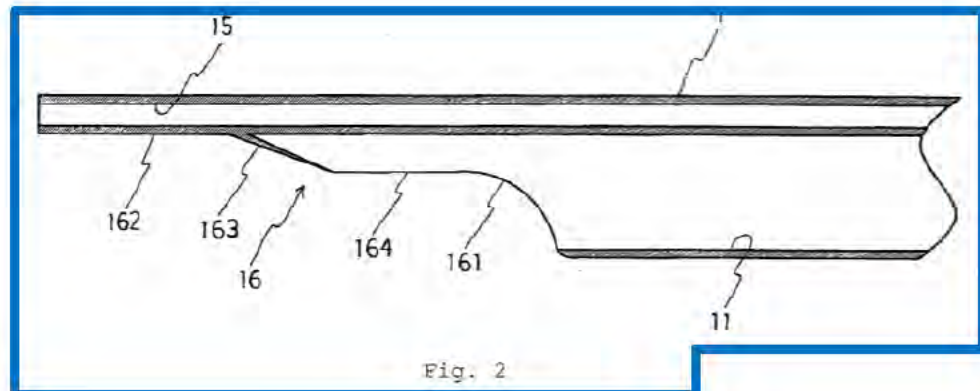
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Ex-1025 (Kataishi)

# Kataishi



Ex-1025 (Kataishi), Figs. 2 & 10



# Motivation to Combine and Expectation of Success

## A. Motivation to Combine

1. Larger Area of Entry for Thrombus and Devices
2. Improved Trackability

## B. Expectation of Success

# Ressemann Discloses Benefits of Distal and Proximal Openings

45 The first and preferably larger of the lumens, an evacuation lumen 140, is designed to allow for the passage of interventional devices such as, but not limited to, stent delivery systems and angioplasty catheters. The evacuation lumen 140 is also designed to allow for fluid flow, such as blood, blood/solid mixtures, radiographic dye and saline, within the evacuation lumen 140. This flow of fluid may occur regardless of whether an interventional device is within the evacuation lumen 140. The proximal and distal ends 140a, 140b of the evacuation lumen 140 are preferably angled to allow for smoother passage of the evacuation sheath assembly 100 through a guide catheter, and into a blood vessel, and to facilitate smoother passage of other therapeutic devices through the evacuation lumen 140 of the evacuation head 132. The larger area of the angled open ends also allows for larger deformable particulate matter to pass through the lumen more smoothly.

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Ex-1008 (Ressemann), 6:45-61  
see also Ex-1123 (Keith Patent), 7:54-60

3 Q. That's the identical passage we talked about  
4 earlier discussing that the proximal and distal  
5 ends are advantageous for smoother passage to the  
6 guide catheter, smoother passage of therapeutic  
7 devices and allowing for larger deformable  
8 particulate matter to pass through the lumen more  
9 smoothly, correct?  
10 A. It looks to be the same, yeah.  
11 Q. And, again, you would have had a chance to  
12 review this, and you agree with this passage as  
13 you sit here today, right?  
14 A. Yes.  
15 Q. And this patent where you have your name on  
16 it, nowhere in this patent is there anything about  
17 the use of a flare or a reverse bevel, correct?  
18 A. I don't see it in any of the figures.

Ex-1800 (Keith Dep. Tr.), 149:3-18

# Kataishi – Motivation to Combine

93. Thus, a POSITA knew that an angled opening was beneficial *both* for suctioning material out of the vasculature as well as for introducing a stent or balloon catheter. Patent Owner's expert witness, Mr. Keith, agrees. Ex-1800, 140:18-143:7; *see also id.*, 146:16-147:8, 148:21-149:14.

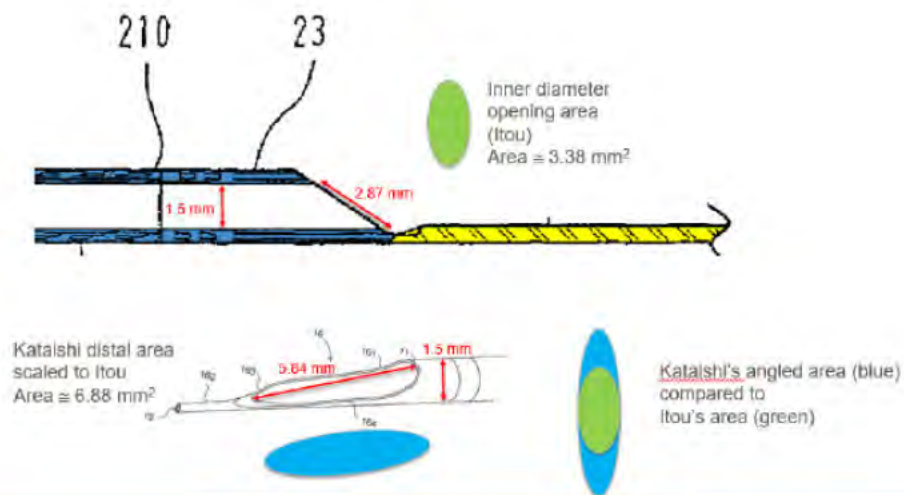
94. It follows that if the distal tip of Kataishi is more beneficial for allowing larger, deformable particulate matter to pass through the lumen more smoothly (i.e., suction thrombus), the same shape would be more beneficial for receiving a stent catheter or balloon catheter.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶¶ 93-94.



# Kataishi – Motivation to Combine

100. Applying the shape of Kataishi to Itou's proximal opening also increase the effective are of the opening, as approximated by the following scaled comparison.



Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 100.



## PO Ignores the Explicit Teaching in Ressemann as “Hindsight”

Two, the cited passage is ambiguous at best—Ressemann’s angled ends may serve more than one purpose, but that does not mean that each end serves *both*. See Ex-1008, 6:52-57. Indeed, Ressemann later assigns only one of these functions to each angled portion. *Id.*, 7:48-53; 23:17-20.

IPR2020-01343, Paper 59 at 30.

# PO's Expert on Ressemann's Benefits of Distal/Proximal Opening

4 Q. Okay. And you would agree with that, right,

5 that the proximal and distal angles allow for  
6 smoother passage through the guide catheter?

7 A. I don't know that I formed an opinion on  
8 that, but I think that is probably true.

9 Q. Okay. And then it continues -- well, first  
10 it says that you then pass it into a blood vessel.

11           You see that, right?

12 A. Yep.

13 Q. And it also, in talking about the proximal  
14 and distal angles, it says that they "facilitate  
15 smoother passage of other therapeutic devices  
16 through the evacuation lumen 140 of the evacuation  
17 head 132." right?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. And you would agree with that as well?

20 A. Yeah, I think that's probably true.

21 Q. Okay. And Ressemann also teaches that the  
22 larger area of the angled open ends -- again,  
23 referring to both ends -- also allows for larger  
24 deformable particulate matter to pass through the  
25 lumen more smoothly.

1           Do you see that?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. And you would agree with that as well?

4 A. I think so, yes.

Ex. 1800 (Keith Dep. Tr.), 142:4-143:4

# Motivation to Combine and Expectation of Success

## A. Motivation to Combine

1. Larger Area of Entry for Thrombus and Devices

2. Improved Trackability

## B. Expectation of Success

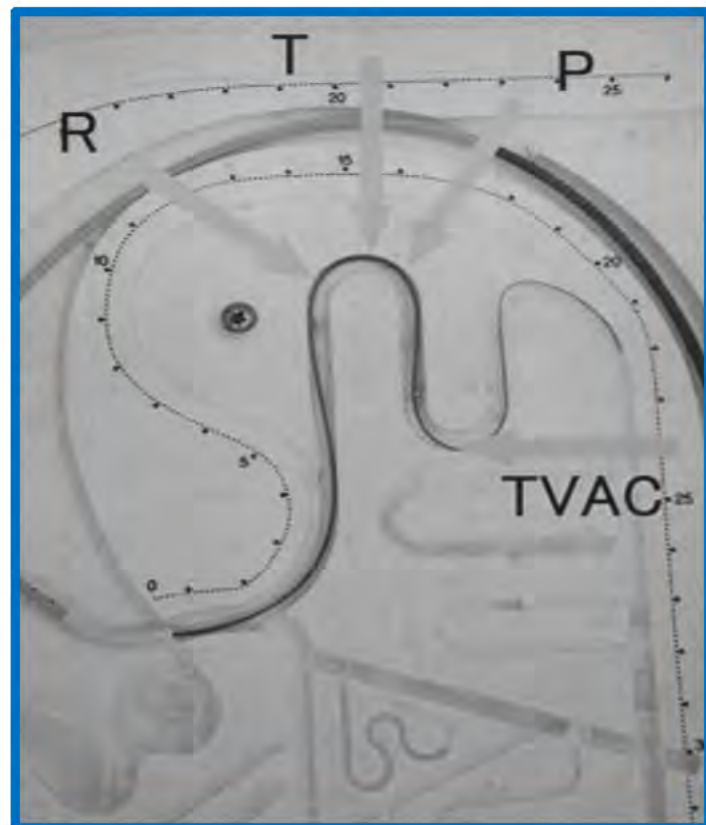


# Sakurada Confirms Benefits of Kataishi's Shape



## Passing Ability Test

Passing ability was measured using a PTCA training device (Medical Sense, Japan). A 7 Fr JL4 Wiseguide catheter (Boston Scientific) was inserted and a 0.014" BMW guidewire (Guidant, Indianapolis, IN) was passed into a bending left anterior descending artery (LAD) of the training device. TVAC was pushed with a constant mechanical pressure until the guide catheter was dislodged from the coronary ostium. The length between the ostium and the distal tip of the aspiration catheters was measured. Other aspiration catheters such as Rescue, PercuSurge, and Thrombuster were compared under the same conditions. The experiment was repeated six times for each catheter.



Ex-1055, 6-7



**TABLE I. Comparison of Aspiration Catheters for 7 Fr Guide Catheter**

	TVAC	Thrombuster	PercuSurge	Rescue
Guide catheter	7 Fr	7 Fr	7 Fr	7 Fr
Larger outer diameter	4.5 Fr	5.7 Fr	5.6 Fr	4.5 Fr
Smaller outer diameter	4.5 Fr	4.5 Fr	3.7 Fr	4.5 Fr
Distal inner lumen (mm <sup>2</sup> )	0.9	1.13	0.95	0.65
Proximal inner lumen (mm <sup>2</sup> )	0.98	1.37	0.92	0.65
inner support	yes	no	no	yes
shape of distal tip	duckbill	oblique straight	oblique straight	oblique straight
original device for negative pressure	motor drive	30 ml syringe	20 ml syringe	motor drive
aspiration time in a test tube (sec)	20.35 ± 4.07	11.81 ± 1.13	39.50 ± 6.40	61.63 ± 2.73

## Passing Ability

Quantitative measurements of passing ability is shown in Figure 2. Only TVAC was able to pass the third bend. PercuSurge and Thrombuster catheters were able to reach the second bend. The Rescue catheter was only able to pass the first bend.

Ex-1055, 6, 8

# Kataishi's Shape Has Better Trackability

95. Kataishi also describes the shape of the distal tip of the catheter as improving crossing ability, which relates to the flexibility of the catheter. Ex-1025, [0009]-[0010]; Ex-1055, Figs. 1A, 2, 302 (explaining that the catheter with the unique shape performed quantitatively better when subjected to a “Passing Ability Test” in which the ability to navigate past multiple bends was assessed). Kataishi illustrates a “crossing test” in its patent application. Ex-1025, Fig. 8, [0020]. This is similar to Sakurada’s “Passing Ability Test.” Ex-1055, Figs. 1A, 2, 302. What Kataishi and Sakurada illustrate is how Kataishi’s distal tip design improves, what is commonly referred to in the art as, “trackability.”

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶ 95.

# Kataishi's Shape Has Better Trackability

Whether it is called trackability or crossability, Kataishi's distal tip design is such that increases the distance in which the device can navigate around bends. Whether the design of Kataishi is placed on a distal end of a device or at a proximal opening of a device, the design will improve trackability through a patient's vasculature.

96. Patent Owner has argued that having the shape of the Kataishi distal end on the proximal portion of a catheter like Itou's catheter (2) would have no benefit to catheter crossability because the proximal opening does not "'see' the vasculature." IPR2020-01343, Paper 21 at 58-59; *see also* IPR2020-00129, Paper 43 at 46, 59. This ignores the fact that the proximal opening of catheter (2) and evacuation lumen (140) "see" the inside of a guide catheter.

Ex-1807 (Jones Decl.), ¶¶ 95-96.

# Motivation to Combine and Expectation of Success

## A. Motivation to Combine

1. Larger Area of Entry for Thrombus and Devices
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## B. Expectation of Success



## Kataishi – Expectation of Success

tially equal to actual pump pressure when the cut surface **16** completely adsorbs the atheroma AT), and enables suction of the lipid core (LC) in a vascular endothelium (ET). Thus, the concave cut surface or portion **161** may have any shape, as long as it is angled in an angled direction, i.e., a proximal direction. Generally, the concave cut portion **161** is formed so as to be gently concave so that atheroma can be covered and the gap minimized. The concave cut portion **161** is provided at least partially on the proximal end side of the cut surface **16**. More specifically, the concave portion **161** may

Ex-1025 (Kataishi), ¶ [0027]

# Secondary Considerations

IPR2020-01341, -01342, -01343, -01344

## Secondary Considerations – Copying

“Copying requires duplication of features of the patentee’s work. . . . [M]ore is needed than merely showing that similarity exists between the patent and the competitor’s accused product.”

*Liqwd, Inc. v. L’Oreal USA, Inc.*,  
941 F.3d 1133, 1137 (Fed. Cir. 2019)

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#### (54) COAXIAL GUIDE CATHETER FOR INTERVENTIONAL CARIOLOGY PROCEDURES

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#### ABSTRACT

A coaxial guide catheter is inserted through guide catheter  
having a first lumen, for use with interventional cardiology  
devices that are insertable into a branch artery that branches  
off from a main artery. The coaxial guide catheter is  
inserted through the lumen of the guide catheter and  
beyond the distal end of the guide catheter and inserted into  
the branch artery. The device includes an assisting axial and  
shear forces caused by an interventional cardiology device  
passed through the second lumen and beyond the flexible  
distal tip portion that would otherwise tend to dislodge the  
guide catheter from the branch artery.

31 Claims, 13 Drawing Sheets



25. A method, comprising:  
advancing a distal end of a guide catheter having a lumen  
through a main blood vessel to an ostium of a coronary  
artery;  
advancing a distal end of a guide extension catheter  
through, and beyond the distal end of, the guide cath-  
eter, including advancing a distal end portion of a  
tubular structure of the guide extension catheter  
beyond the distal end of the guide catheter while a  
segment defining a side opening of the guide extension  
catheter remains within the guide catheter, the side  
opening extending for a distance along a longitudinal  
axis of the guide extension catheter and accessible from  
a longitudinal side defined transverse to the longitudi-  
nal axis, the tubular structure having a cross-sectional  
inner diameter that is not more than one French size  
smaller than a cross-sectional inner diameter of the  
lumen of the guide catheter;

'116 Patent, claim 25



# Secondary Considerations – Copying

French Size (F)	GEC Name	I.D. (in)	O.D. (in)	Required GC I.D. (in)	Extension Length (cm)	Polymer Channel (cm)	Full Length (cm)
5.5	GuideLiner™ V3 GEC <sup>1</sup>	0.051	0.063	6 F ≥ 0.066	25	17	150
6	Telescope™ GEC	0.056	0.067	6 F ≥ 0.070	25	4	150
6	GuideLiner™ V3 GEC <sup>1</sup>	0.056	0.067	6 F ≥ 0.070	25	17	150
6	Guidezilla™ II GEC <sup>2</sup>	0.057	0.067	6 F ≥ 0.070	25	N/A, metal collar	150
7	Telescope™ GEC	0.062	0.075	7 F ≥ 0.078	25	4	150
7	GuideLiner™ V3 GEC <sup>1</sup>	0.062	0.075	7 F ≥ 0.078	25	17	150
7	Guidezilla™ II GEC <sup>2</sup>	0.063	0.073	7 F ≥ 0.078	25	N/A, metal collar	150

IPR2020-00132, Ex-1082 Ex-A at 39

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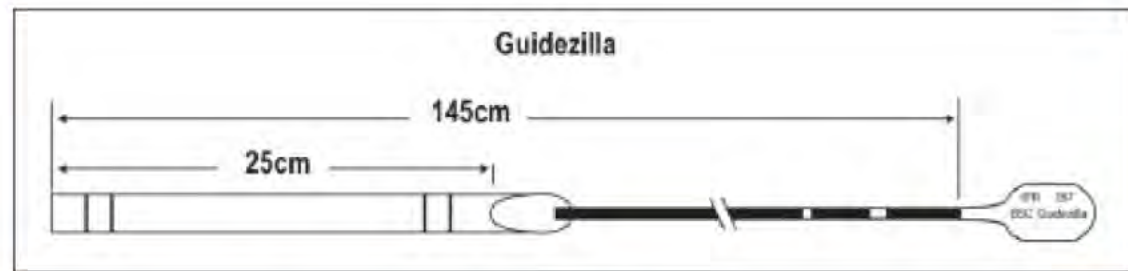
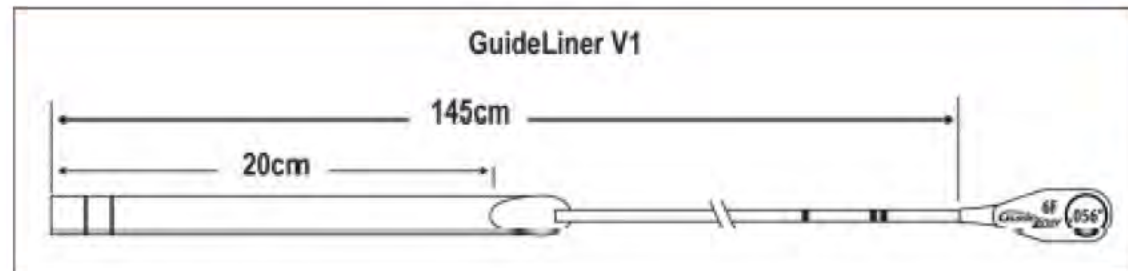
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Guidezilla's side opening were essentially the same:

**GuideLiner V1 collar side view**



**GuideLiner V1 collar top view**



**Guidezilla I Collar Side View**



**Guidezilla I Collar Top View**



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# Secondary Considerations – Ubiquitous Elements in the Art

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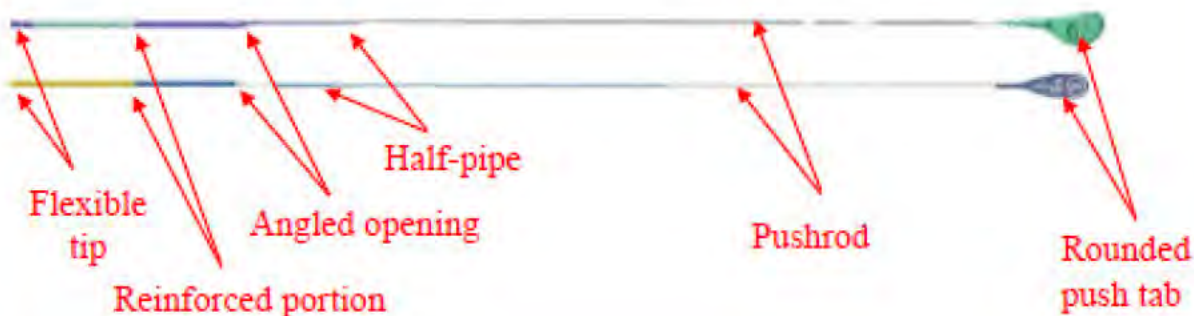
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PATENT OWNER RESPONSE

Telescope is a striking copy of GuideLiner V3 both in terms of its instructions for use (“IFUs”) and its structure:



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# Ubiquitous Elements in the Art: Flexible Tip

United States Patent [19]  
**Kontos**



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[11] Patent Number: **5,439,445**  
 [45] Date of Patent: **Aug. 8, 1995**

[54] **SUPPORT CATHETER ASSEMBLY**  
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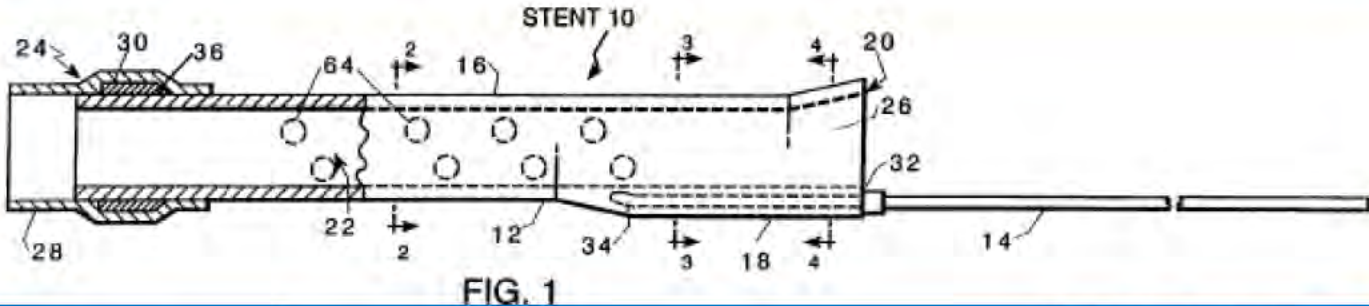
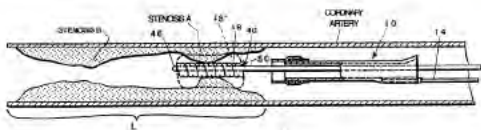


FIG. 1

Ex-1409 (Kontos), Fig. 1

33 (Claims, 4 Drawing Sheets)



# Ubiquitous Elements in the Art: Reinforced Portion

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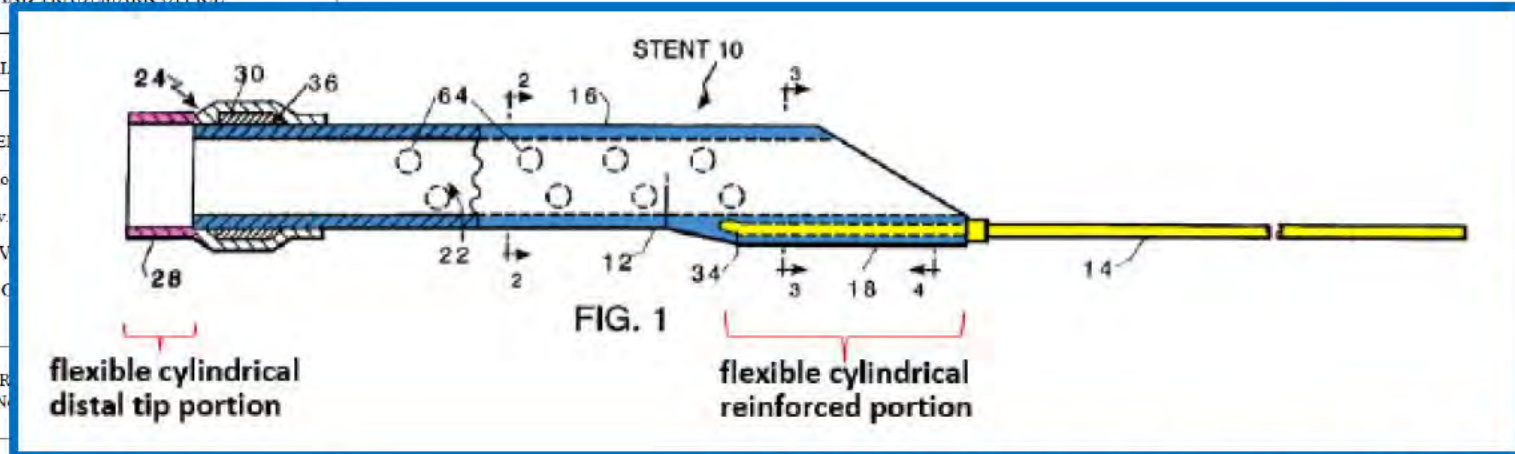
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Ex-1405 (IPR2020-01342), ¶ 236 (citing Ex-1409, Fig. 1)

# Known Elements in the Art: Angled Openings



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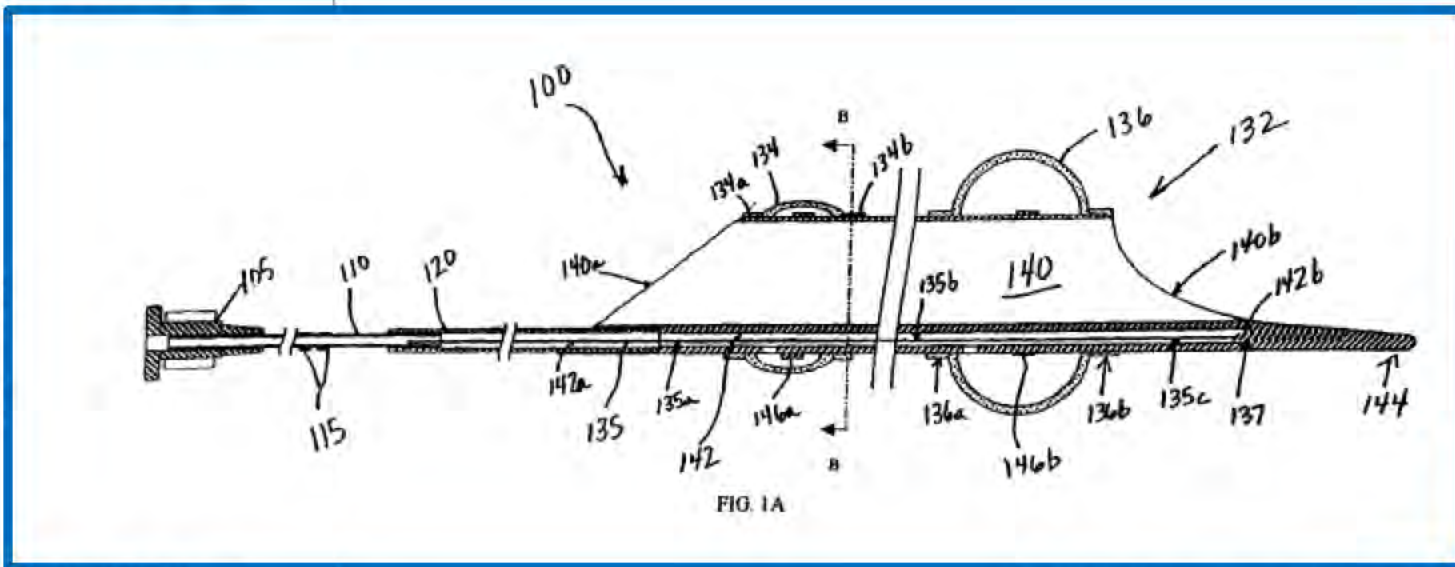


FIG. 1A

Ex-1008 (Ressemann), Fig. 1A





# Known Elements in the Art: Angled Openings



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(54) **DEVICE TO CREATE PROXIMAL STASIS** (52) U.S. Cl.

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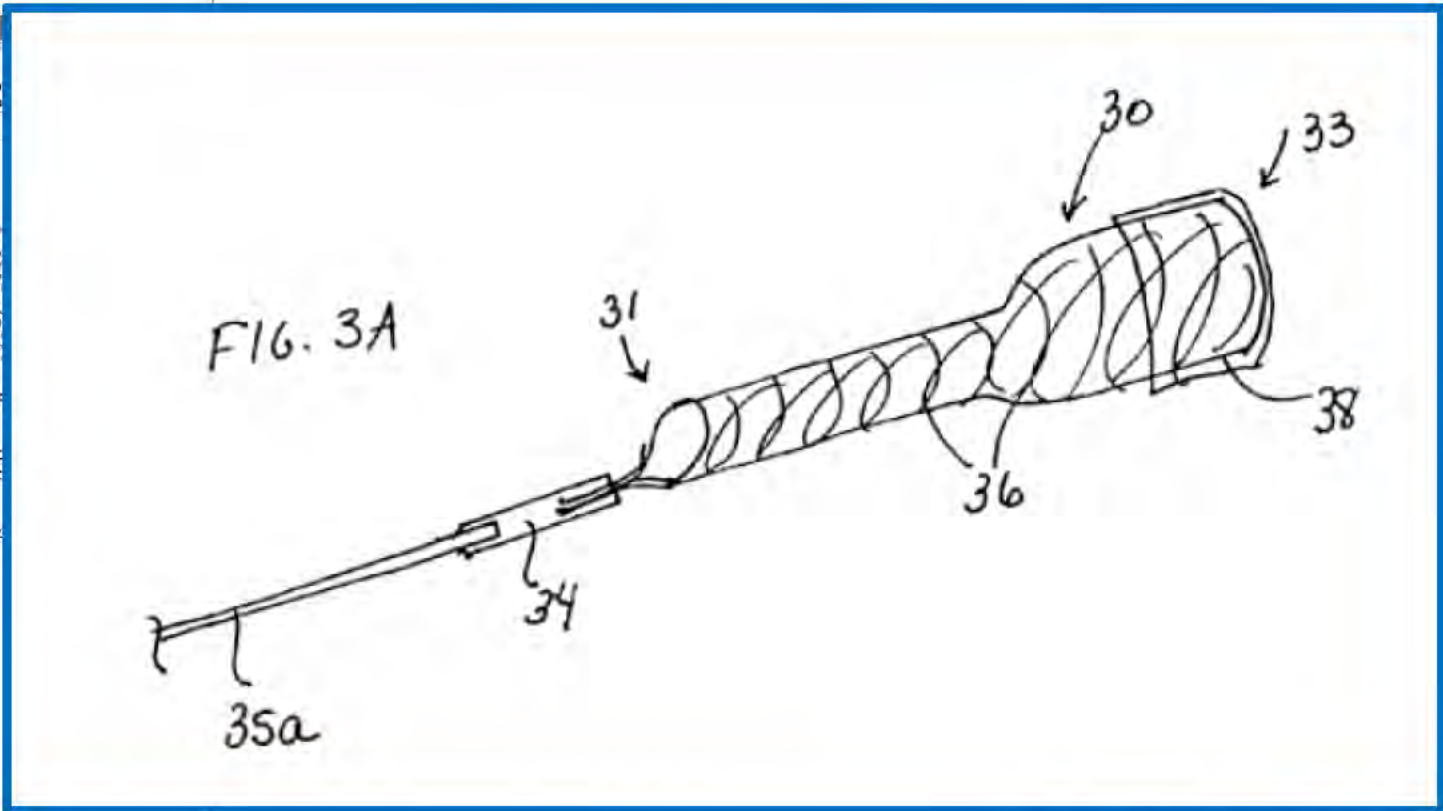
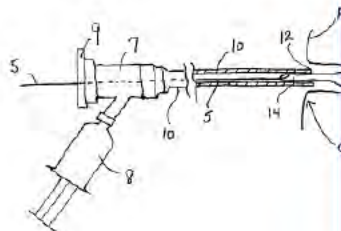
A method and system  
include a treatment  
catheter a seal to fit  
around a vessel and  
the distal ends of the  
treatment catheter is  
wired to seal the  
vessel. An elongated  
ring from the catheter  
membrane disposed at  
the distal end of the  
catheter allows for  
removal of the catheter.

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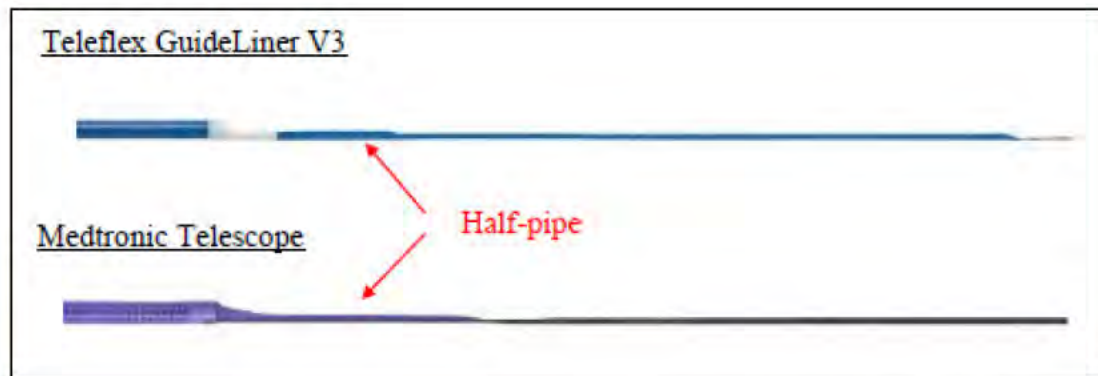
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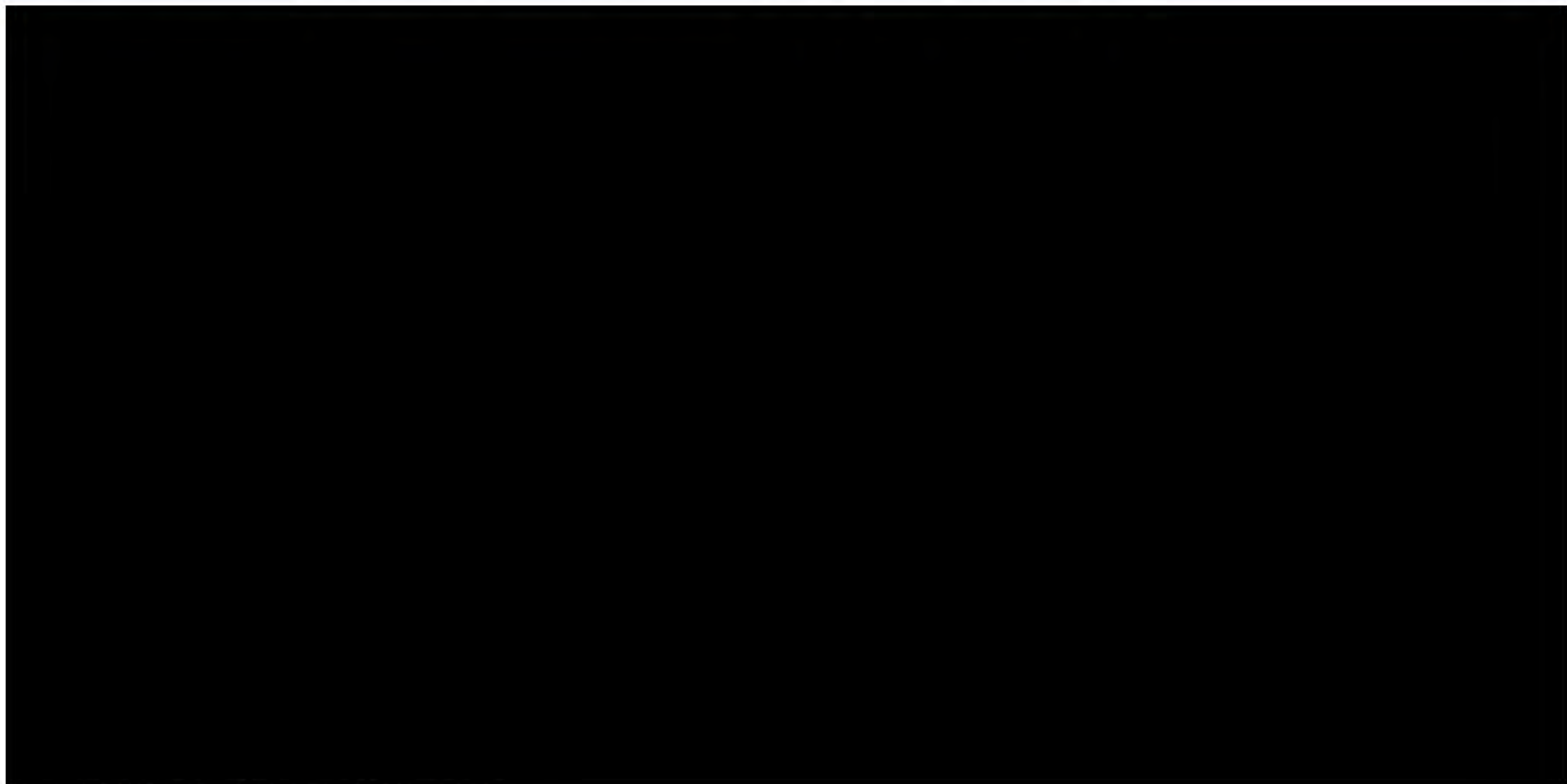
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Petitioner succeeded in its efforts to copy, incorporating the half pipe from the GuideLiner V3 product (top) into its Telescope product (bottom):



IPR2020-0141, Paper 23 at 69

## Secondary Considerations – Copying: Half-pipe



DEMONSTRATIVE EXHIBIT—NOT EVIDENCE

## Secondary Considerations – Copying

“Not every competing product that arguably falls within the scope of a patent is evidence of copying. Otherwise every infringement suit would automatically confirm the nonobviousness of the patent. Rather, copying requires the replication of a specific product.”

*Iron Grip Barbell Co. v. USA Sports, Inc.*,  
392 F.3d 1317, 1325 (Fed. Cir. 2004)



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GuideLiner provided, for the first time, an elegant and highly effective method for providing a solution to the longstanding problem of insufficient **guide catheter backup support** in interventional cardiology procedures.

IPR2020-01341, Paper 23 (POR) at 56.

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U.S. Patent No. 8,142,413

PATENT OWNER RESPONSE

The ability to receive the full array of ICDs (including stents) is reflected in claims 4, 9, and 14's requirement of advancing an ICD through a side opening positioned deep within the guide catheter and through the flexible tip portion. Ex-2138, ¶336. And the benefit of improved backup support results from using a coaxial flexible tip portion having a circular cross section with a diameter that fits within the guide catheter and the claimed step of advancing the distal portion of the flexible tip portion beyond the distal end of the guide catheter while the remainder of the device remains inside the guide catheter. Ex-2138, ¶337.

IPR2020-01341, Paper 23 (POR) at 73.

## Secondary Considerations – Nexus

14 Q. Right. But in general, you didn't come up  
15 with guide extension; you didn't come up with  
16 rapid exchange. Your testimony is you came up  
17 with the combination of the two; is that right?

18 MR. VANDENBURGH: Objection; form.

19 THE WITNESS: Yeah. We did not  
20 invent rapid exchange, and we did not invent guide  
21 extension, but we invented rapid exchange guide  
22 extension.

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(54) INTRAVASCULAR FOREIGN MATTER  
SUCTION ASSEMBLY

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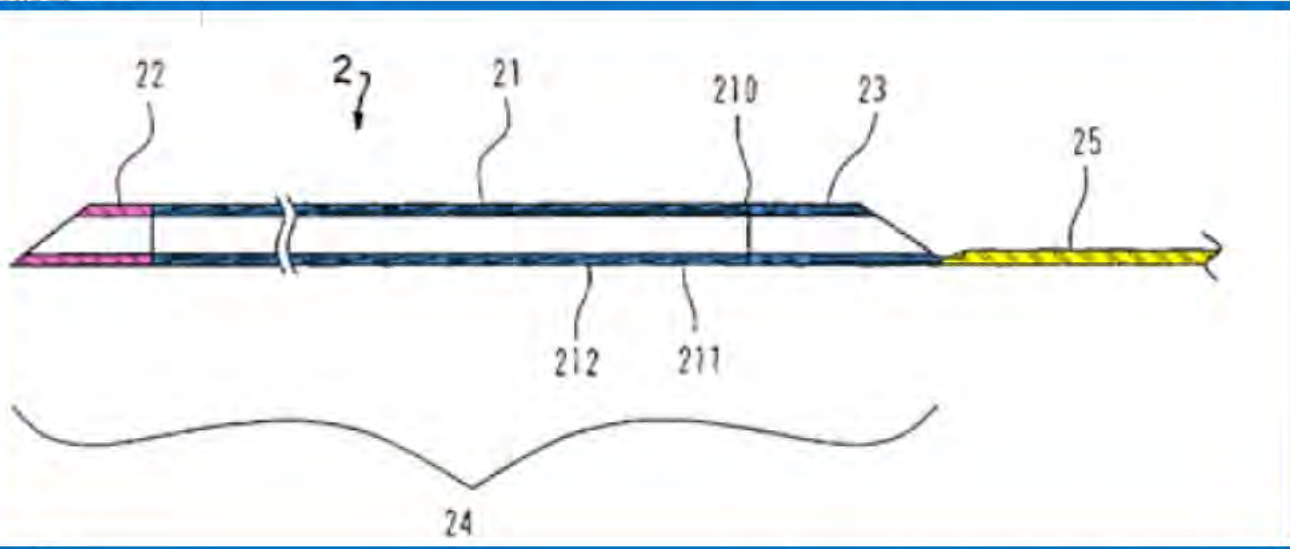
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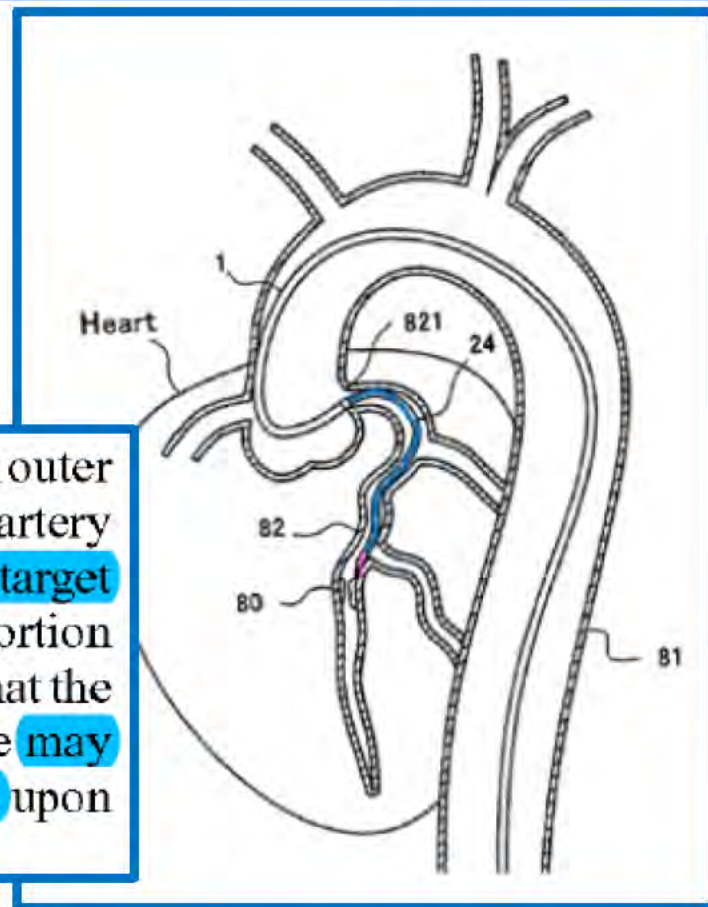
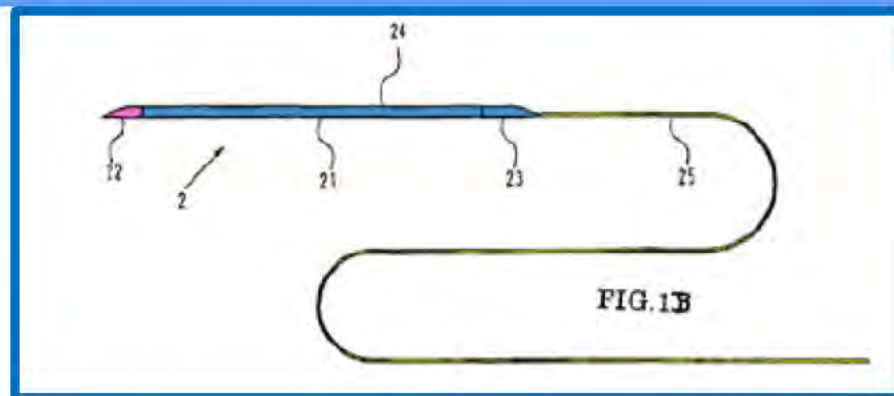
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More preferably, the suction catheter includes a tubular portion provided on the distal side and a solid wire-like portion provided on the proximal side and having a distal end embedded in a wall which forms the tubular portion. Further,



Ex-1007, Fig. 3 (color added); 2:12-15





The tubular portion 24 of the suction catheter 2 has an outer diameter with which it can be inserted into the coronary artery 82 and is introduced along the guide wire 6 to the target location 80 positioned at a deep location. The tubular portion 24 is designed so as to have a sufficient axial length so that the proximal end of the tubular portion 24 in an open state may not leap out from the distal end of the guiding catheter 1 upon such introduction of the tubular portion 24.

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PETITIONER'S REPLY

Teleflex does not dispute that Itou recites the necessary structure, despite being a suction catheter. POR, 41-42. Itou discloses a substantially rigid portion that comprises a partially cylindrical portion defining a side opening. Ex-1007, Figs. 3-4; Ex-1005 ¶227. Itou teaches that a protective catheter may be inserted into the lumen through the side opening and projected from its distal end, and delivered to the target location. Ex-1007, 4:48-52, 7:1-27, Fig. 5; Ex-1005 ¶¶195, 231-32. Itou's substantially rigid portion includes a cross-sectional shape having a full circumference portion, a hemicylindrical cross-sectional shape, and an arcuate cross-sectional shape. Ex-1005 ¶243.

IPR2020-01341, Paper 51 (Petitioner's Reply) at 37.









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PETITIONER'S REPLY

Ressemann similarly recites the claimed elements. Ressemann discloses a tubular structure defining a side opening that remains within the GC while the distal end is advanced beyond the distal end of the GC. Ex-1008, 6:18-24, 12:19-26, Figs. 1A, 6B. Before Ressemann delivers a stent, it is first advanced along the substantially rigid portion, through the side opening, and through Ressemann's tubular structure. *Id.*, 6:18-24, 10:47-53. Ressemann improves backup support. Ex-2238, 130:9-131:5.

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# Secondary Considerations – Nexus

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Medtronic Ex-1806  
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148. The earliest rapid exchange guide extension catheter in the record is Kontos, followed by Ressemann and Itou. The devices disclosed in Itou, Kontos, and Ressemann are rapid exchange, configured to deliver a wide variety of interventional cardiology devices, and provide increased backup support when extended partially past the end of a guide catheter as intended. Ressemann and Itou also have a side opening.

IPR2020-01341, Ex-1806, ¶ 148.

## Secondary Considerations – Nexus

“Where the offered secondary consideration actually results from something other than what is both claimed and *novel in the claim* there is no nexus to the merits of the claimed invention.”

*In re Kao*, 639 F.3d 1057, 1068  
(Fed. Cir. 2011) (emphasis added)

# Kontos

IPR2020-01342, -01344



# IPR2020-01342 & IPR2020-01344

<b>8,142,413 claims</b>	<b>Instituted Ground</b>	<b>References</b>
1, 2, 4, 5, 7-12, 14	1	Kontos, Adams
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<b>RE46,116 claims</b>	<b>Instituted Ground</b>	<b>References</b>
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1. Overview of Kontos
2. Kontos Teaches the “alongside” Limitation
3. Kontos Necessarily Provides Back-Up Support
4. Obvious to Replace Kontos’s Funnel with a Side Opening
5. Obvious to Achieve 1 French
6. Issues Specific to -01344 IPR

# U.S. Patent No. 5,439,445 (Kontos)

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Kontos

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[54] SUPPORT CATHETER ASSEMBLY

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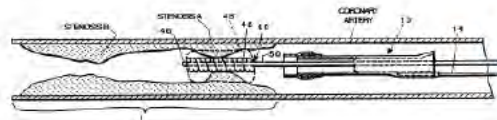
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### ABSTRACT

A support catheter assembly for facilitating medical procedures includes a tubular body and a continuous member from its proximal end to its distal end. A manipulating member is connected to the tubular body for inserting, advancing, withdrawing and maneuvering the body during a medical procedure. The manipulating member may be a wire or a manipulating tube. The tubular body also may be provided with a flange shaped inner opening at its proximal end to facilitate insertion of devices therethrough, and radiopaque markers for substantially defining the location of the device during a medical procedure and, more particularly, for denoting its location relative to other devices used in the medical procedure. A method also is disclosed for using the tube assembly to insert a stent into a PECA catheter into a stenotic region and for holding open the lumen through the region after angioplasty has been performed.

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[54] SUPPORT CATHETER ASSEMBLY

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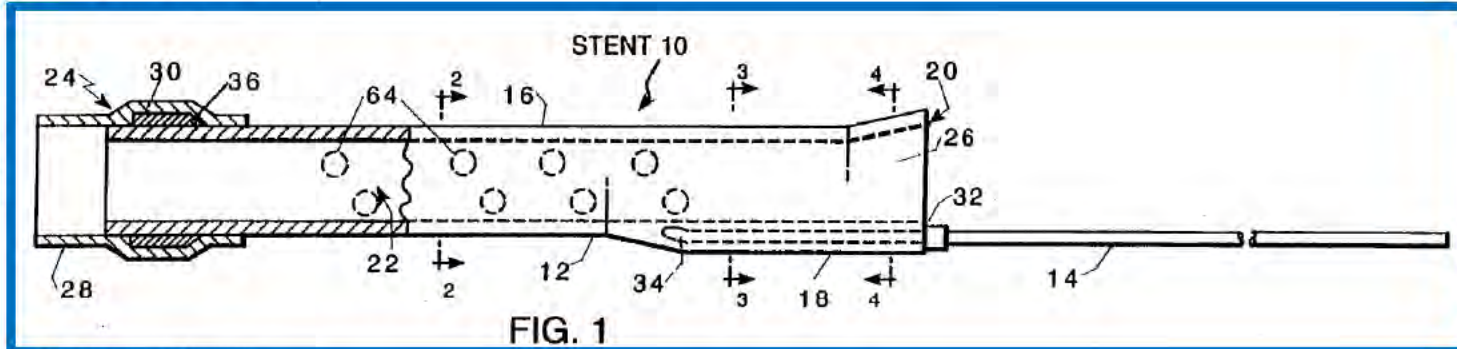


FIG. 1 is a side plan view of a support catheter of the present invention, cut-away in part to show in longitudinal cross-section a tubular body having a soft tip and radiopaque marker, and a manipulating wire.

**FIG. 1 is a side plan view of a support catheter of the present invention, cut-away in part to show in longitudinal cross-section a tubular body having a soft tip and radiopaque marker, and a manipulating wire.**

Ex-1409, 2:51-54, Fig. 1



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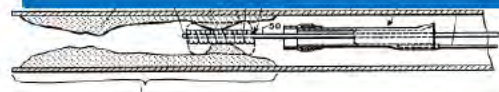
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Support assembly 10 is composed of two major elements, a body 12 and an insertion/manipulation wire 14. Body 12, which may be viewed as a mini guide catheter, includes a tube 16 having a base portion 18 at its proximal end 20. Tube 16 has a continuous lumen 22 there-through from proximal end 20 to distal end 24. Body 12



Ex-1409, 3:45-49

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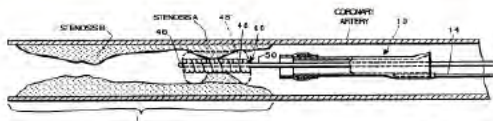
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When extending beyond the distal end of guide catheter 38, body 12 functions as a guide catheter extension, and the gap that PTCA catheter 40 must negotiate without assistance is made much shorter.

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By use of such manipulating means, the support catheter can be inserted into and passed through a guide catheter, over a PTCA catheter, and out the distal end of the guide catheter so as to function as an extension of the guide catheter to bridge the gap (or at least some of it) between the end of the guide catheter and the stenosis to be opened.

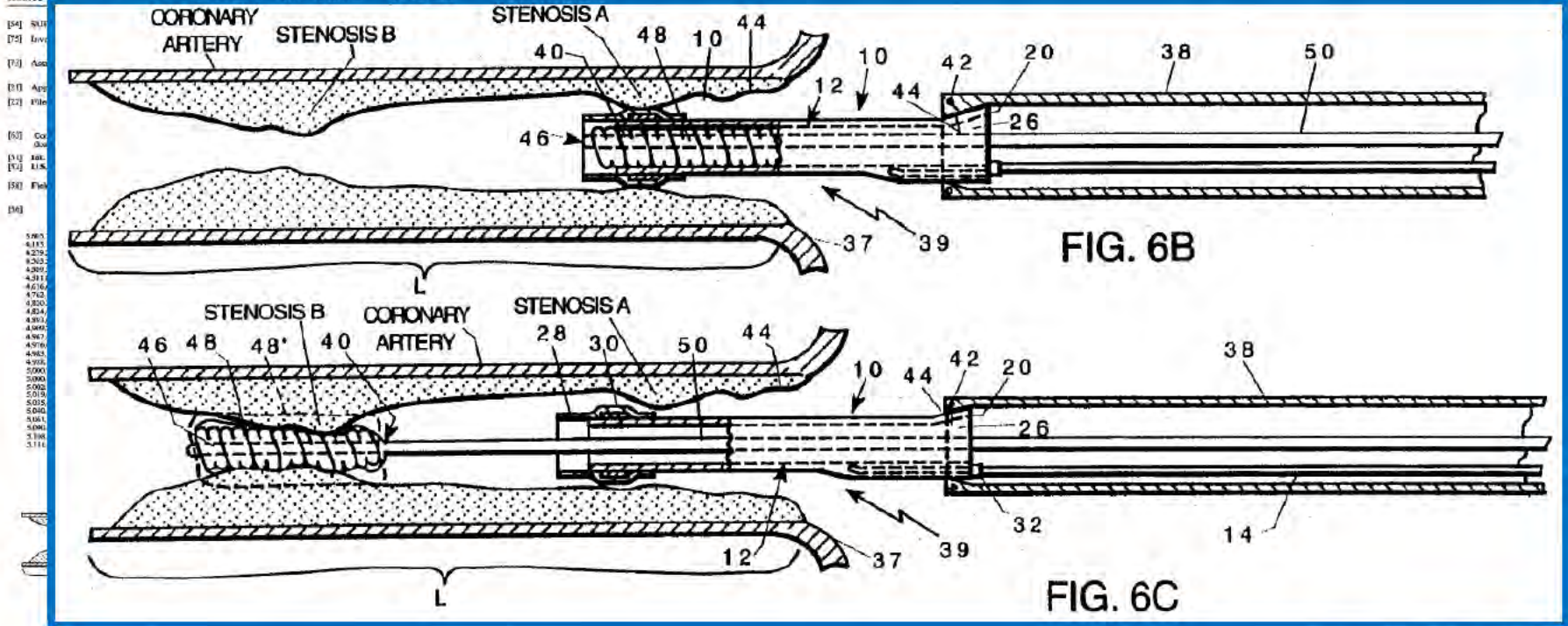


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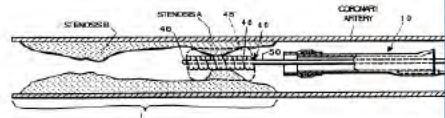
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- “The size and shape of the various elements of support assembly 10 may vary depending on the desired application.” Ex-1009, 4:46-48.
- “These sizes generally are suitable for existing PTCA catheters, such as the INTEGRA catheter marketed by Datascope Corp., the assignee of the present invention. Of course, other sizes may be used for other applications.” *Id.*, 4:61-65.
- “As noted, these sizes may vary depending upon the application to which the device is to be put. When it is to be used with a PTCA catheter, lumen 22 should be at least large enough to permit passage therethrough of the deflated PTCA balloon.” *Id.*, 4:66-5:2.

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I do not believe it would have resulted in a tight fit. At the time of Kontos's invention, fixed-wire balloons, including the Integra mentioned in the specification, had profiles less than 0.030 inches. Ex-1833, 113. Kontos teaches that the inner diameter of tube 16 can be 0.045 inches. Ex-1009, 4:48-50. I would not describe this relationship as being "snug."

Ex-1807, ¶ 116 (Jones)

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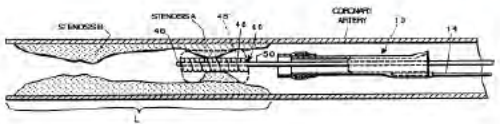
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Of course, the device of the present invention may be used with almost any type of catheter, including over-the-wire catheters as well as catheters with captive guide wires.



Ex-1409, 9:47-50



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Kontos or Kontos in combination with Adams teaches this limitation of the '413 patent. Ex-1405, ¶¶ 200-05. Figure 6 of Kontos shows that in one embodiment, the PTCA catheter and support catheter are advanced together into the guide catheter. Ex-1409, Figs. 6A-C. In particular, Kontos explains that “[t]he balloon 48 of PTCA catheter 40 [can] be captured within the confines of body 12 and then “the PTCA catheter/support catheter assembly combination ... is fed into [ ]guide catheter 38, and advanced through guide catheter 38 to the distal end thereof.” *Id.*, 5:16-28, 7:45-49. Therefore, insertion of PTCA catheter 40 occurs “alongside” of the substantially rigid portion of Kontos’s wire 14.<sup>15</sup> Ex-1405, ¶ 200.

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Moreover, step 1.f. itself contains language indicating that insertion of the ICD occurs after insertion of the coaxial guide catheter. As a matter of both grammar and logic, the ICD would not be inserted “into and through” the lumen of the guide catheter “alongside of” the substantially rigid portion of the coaxial guide catheter unless the coaxial guide catheter is already in the guide catheter. Ex-2138, ¶103; Ex-2145, ¶103. Inserting an ICD “alongside of the substantially rigid portion” means that the substantially rigid portion is already in place inside the guide catheter, and when the ICD is inserted into the guide catheter it moves “alongside” the already-positioned substantially rigid portion.

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To the extent claim [1.f] is interpreted to require insertion of the “interventional cardiology device” *after* insertion of a “coaxial guide catheter,” Kontos still teaches this claim limitation. *Id.*, ¶ 201. Indeed, Kontos explains that support assembly 10 can be advanced first, followed by PTCA catheter 40. Ex-1409, 7:45-52. In other words, Kontos teaches that body 12 is advanced distal to guide catheter 38, and then the PTCA catheter 40 with balloon 48 is advanced into the guide catheter/extension catheter assembly. Ex-1405, ¶ 203 (explaining that when separately inserting extension catheter and therapy catheter, a POSITA extends the extension catheter distal to the guide catheter prior to insertion of the therapy catheter).

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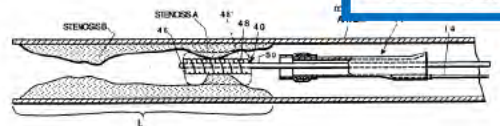
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Although the procedure described above contemplates assembling body 12 and PTCA catheter 40 as a unit before passing them together into guide catheter 38, such preassembly is not necessary. Body 12 could be inserted first, followed by the PTCA catheter 40. As discussed above, funnel portion 26 facilitates passage of the PTCA catheter 40 from the guide catheter 38 into lumen 22 of body 12.



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(54) **COAXIAL GUIDE CATHETER FOR INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY PROCEDURES**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A coaxial guide catheter is inserted through guide catheter lumen a few tenths of an inch with interventional cardiology devices that are inserted into a branch artery that branches off from a main artery. The coaxial guide catheter is inserted through the lumen of the guide catheter and beyond the distal end of the guide catheter and inserted into the branch artery. The device assists in resisting axial and shear forces exerted by an interventional cardiology device passed through the second lumen and beyond the flexible distal tip portion that would otherwise tend to dislodge the guide catheter from the branch artery.

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7. The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising extending a distal portion of the tubular structure beyond the distal end of the standard guide catheter while a proximal portion remains within the lumen of the standard guide catheter, such that the coaxial guide catheter **assists in resisting axial and shear forces** exerted by the interventional cardiology device passed through and beyond the coaxial lumen that would otherwise tend to dislodge the standard catheter from the branch artery.

Ex-1401, claim 7 ('413 patent)

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the combination of guide catheter 56 with coaxial guide catheter 12 inserted into ostium 60 of coronary artery 62 provides improved distal anchoring of guide catheter 56 and coaxial guide catheter 12. The presence of coaxial guide catheter 12 within guide catheter 56 also provides stiffer back up support than guide catheter 56 alone. The combination of improved distal anchoring and stiffening of the guide catheter 56/coaxial guide catheter 12 combination provides additional back up support to resist dislodging of guide catheter 56 from ostium 60 when force is applied to guidewire 64 to pass through stenotic lesion 66 or another lesion.



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U.S. Patent No. 8,142,413

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As discussed above, a mother- and-child catheter assembly ameliorates the backwards force that can otherwise dislodge the GC in the ostium where the child catheter acts as an extension of the guide catheter into the coronary artery. Section IV.A, *supra*; Ex-1405, ¶ 206. For this reason, because Kontos and the '413 patent contain the same teachings, a POSITA would understand that Kontos must inherently disclose or, at a minimum, render obvious when combined with the knowledge of a POSITA, the limitation of claim 2. Ex-1405, ¶ 206; Section VIII.B.1, *supra*.

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structural characteristics of Kontos—which PO does not dispute, and which the Board has already found invalidated similar claims in a separate IPR—provide back-up support in two ways: (i) shortening the distance that the IVCD must travel within the vasculature and (ii) by increasing the moment of inertia of the catheter-in-catheter assembly. Ex-1806 ¶¶107-11; Ex-1807 ¶¶14-27, 106-12.

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## DECLARATION OF MICHAEL JONES SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER'S REPLIES

20. By using a catheter-in-catheter assembly, it is possible to extend the inner catheter (sometime referred to as the “child catheter”) beyond the ostium of the coronary artery. In so doing, the interventional cardiology device has to travel a shorter distance in the vasculature, which in turn reduces the amount of force necessary to advance the interventional cardiology device to the target location.

This is because the vasculature can be tortuous and/or calcified, thereby requiring more force to advance the interventional cardiology device.



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23. The moment of inertia,  $I_0$ , of the cross section of a catheter with respect to its neutral axis, is expressed by the following, and is proportional to flexural rigidity and buckling force. *Id.* at 12. The cross section of a catheter is a hollow circle with an outer diameter  $D$  and an inner diameter  $d$ . *Id.*

$$I_0 = \frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)}{64}$$

Ex-1807, ¶ 23 (Jones)



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respect to its neutral axis is expressed by the following, and is proportional to

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24. The polar moment of inertia of a catheter shaft with outer diameter  $D$

and inner diameter  $d$  is expressed as follows, and is proportional to the torsional

rigidity of a catheter. *Id.*, 12-15.

$$J_0 \text{ catheter} = \frac{\pi(D^4 - d^4)}{32}$$

Ex-1807, ¶ 24 (Jones)

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25. From these equations it is clear that when placing a catheter within a

catheter, the outer diameter remains defined and the effective inner diameter

decreases, which results in the following consequences:

- a. Flexural rigidity increases;
- b. Torsional rigidity increases; and
- c. Resistance to buckling force increases.

# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Teleflex's Argument

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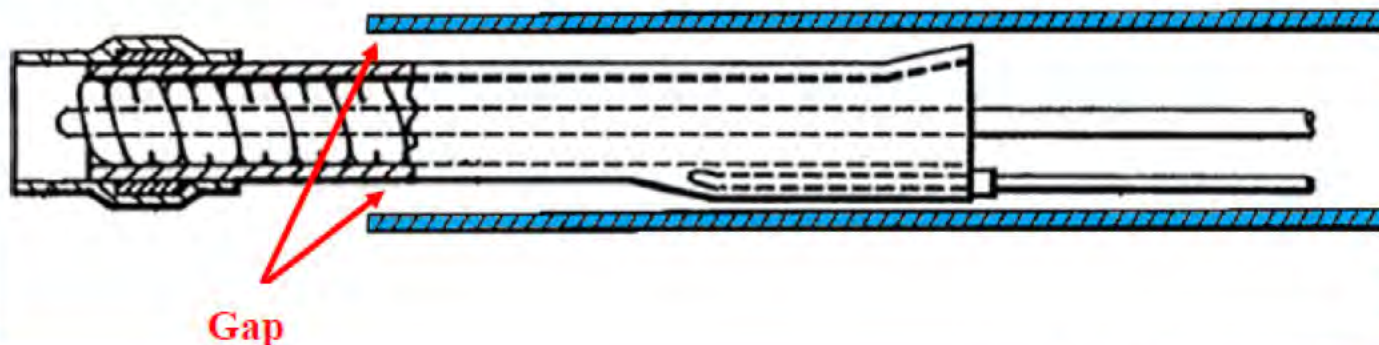
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First, in contrast to the '413 patent, Kontos does *not* teach a method of resisting axial and shear forces or keeping the distal portion seated in the artery in response to opposing forces. Ex-2138, ¶¶216-22; Ex-2145, ¶148.



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## DECLARATION OF MICHAEL JONES SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER'S REPLIES

108. By comparison to a single-catheter assembly, the use of Kontos's support assembly with a guide catheter will increase flexural rigidity, torsional rigidity, and increase resistance to buckling force. In reaching this conclusion, I have considered (i) the material that comprises tube 16, (ii) the dimensions, including the inner/outer diameter and length, and (iii) the relationship between tube 16 and the guide catheter, including that the inner diameters of the nested catheters is more than 1 French.

Ex-1807, ¶ 108 (Jones)



1. Overview of Kontos
2. Kontos Teaches the “alongside” Limitation
3. Kontos Necessarily Provides Back-Up Support
- 4. Obvious to Replace Kontos’s Funnel with a Side Opening**
5. Obvious to Achieve 1 French
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CHRISTOPHER G. PAULRAJ, *Administrative Patent Judges*.

SNEDDEN, *Administrative Patent Judge*.

JUDGMENT  
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Determining Some Challenged Claims Unpatentable  
Granting Patent Owner's Contingent Motion to Amend  
35 U.S.C. § 318(a)

Upon review of the parties' arguments and supporting evidence, we find the parties' arguments present a close case on the question of obviousness. For example, while side openings were known in the art, they were rare in devices intended to receive an interventional cardiology device when positioned within a guide catheter. Moreover, switching to a side opening in Kontos to beneficially increase the available real estate within the catheter or to reduce the size of the guide catheter would require several modifications to the device, at least one of which was not mentioned in the Petition and may not have been possible in the relevant time period (recessing marker band 30).

IPR2020-00127, FWD (Paper 105) at 46

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Therefore, as an alternative to the flared proximal opening 26 of the tubular structure (tube 16) in Kontos, a POSITA would have been motivated to use a side opening, as then the diameter of the GC could be reduced without causing a commensurate reduction in the area of the proximal opening of the tubular structure of the extension catheter. Ex-1405, ¶ 213; Ex-1442, ¶ 84.

Alternatively, a POSITA would have been motivated to remove Kontos's proximal funnel, as it would permit the inner diameter of the extension catheter to be increased without causing a commensurate increase in the outer diameter of the guide catheter. Ex-1405, ¶ 213; Ex-1442, ¶ 84.

IPR2020-01342, Petition at 57; see also Petition at 56-61, 63



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Kontos further discloses that “marker band 30 may be retained between soft tip 28 and tube 16” of body 12, and thus the radiopaque marker is proximate a distal tip of the extension catheter. Ex-1409, 4:19-21; Ex-1405, ¶ 227; Ex-1442, ¶¶ 103-06. Further, as shown in Kontos Figure 6, the PTCA catheter 40 with balloon 48 is extended past (distal) the marker band 30.

IPR2020-01342, Petition at 63



**G. Kontos in combination with the common knowledge in the art teaches a marker band embedded in tube 16.**

104. Kontos discloses a marker band 30 that is disposed in a recess 36 on the exterior of tube 16 as shown in the figure below. *See Ex-1409, 4:19-21.* Kontos also states that, “[o]f course, numerous other methods for disposing marker band 30 at distal end 24 will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art.” *Id.*, 4:21-24.

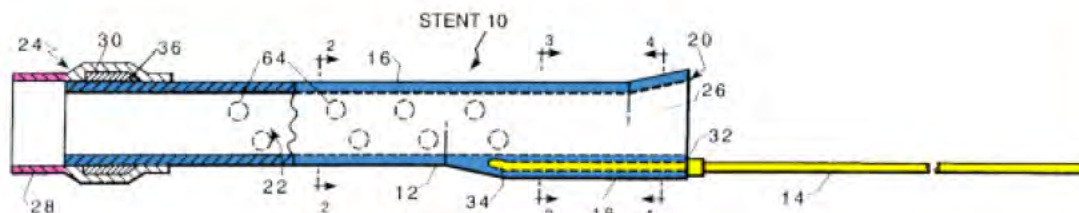


FIG. 1

*Id.*, Fig. 1, (color added).

Ex-1442, ¶ 104

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*Id.*, Fig. 1

105. Indeed, it is common knowledge in the art to dispose marker bands such that they are embedded within the tubular portion of the catheter instead of on the outside of the tubular portion. A POSITA understands that by embedding the marker band, the profile of the catheter can be reduced, thereby preventing the risk of damage to the vasculature when the extension catheter is advanced distal to the distal-most portion of the guide catheter. For example, the size of Kontos's marker band is 0.005 inches. Ex-1409, 4:54-58 (describing the marker band 30 as having an inner diameter of 0.055 inches and an outer diameter of 0.060 inches). By embedding the marker band into tube 16, 0.005 inches can be reduced from the diameter of the catheter.

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15 Q. All right. So in the 2005, 2006 time frame, if  
16 you saw Kontos, would you want to recess the marker bands  
17 to make the outer surface smooth?

18 MR. KOHLHEPP: Objection, scope.

19 A. Yes.

Ex-1801, 75:15-19 (Graham)

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19 Q. Have you ever used a catheter assembly with  
20 raised marker bands as shown in Kontos?

21 A. No.

22 Q. In the 2005 to 2006 time frame, then, I'm  
23 assuming you'd agree it was common practice to dispose  
24 marker bands within the extension catheter such that they  
25 weren't raised as shown in Kontos Figure 1?

1 MR. KOHLHEPP: Objection to form;  
2 foundation.

3 A. The idea was to have a smooth outer profile, so  
4 most marker bands were -- tried to -- the attempt was to  
5 incorporate them into the catheter to try to minimize the  
6 protuberance from the exterior surface.

Ex-1801, 66:19-67:6 (Graham)



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63. A POSITA would have been motivated to combine Adams and Kontos to increase the inner diameter of Kontos's tube 16 because a larger inner diameter would facilitate passage of a greater variety of PCI catheters that are too big to pass through Kontos's tube 16.

Ex-1442, ¶ 63

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64. A POSITA would have been able to accomplish the claimed combination with a reasonable expectation of success—including by removing Kontos's proximal funnel 26 and replacing it with Adams's proximal side opening—given the teachings of Kontos and Adams. *See* ¶¶ 69-88, *infra*. In particular, this design modification was well within the skill of a POSITA, as appropriately sized catheters were ubiquitous in the art. Ex-1410, 452. Indeed, combining the teachings of Kontos with Adams to permit the passage of an interventional cardiology device—including by removing proximal funnel 26 so that the inner diameter of Kontos's tube 16 could be made larger, thereby not requiring a corresponding increase in the inner diameter of guide catheter 38—would have been nothing more than combining prior art elements according to known methods to yield predictable results.

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Using a side opening (as opposed to a funnel) efficiently balances these considerations and optimizing the area of the point of entry into the extension catheter. That is, by replacing a funnel with an angled opening, the POSITA can either (i) reduce the outer diameter of the device while maintaining constant the area of the point of entry into the side opening (and the inner diameter of the extension catheter), or (ii) maintain constant the outer diameter of the device while increasing the area of entry into the side opening (and the inner diameter of the extension catheter).

Ex-1442, ¶ 84



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## The Petitioner’s Reply

contends, for the first time, that a POSITA would be motivated to completely change Kontos, with numerous changes beyond those advocated in the Petition, for example: (1) “recess[ing]” Kontos’s marker bands; (2) aligning distal soft tip 28 with tube 16; (3) removing Kontos’s base portion 18; (4) “taper[ing]” the wire; (5) somehow “attach[ing]” the thin-tapered pushrod to Kontos’s tube wall without base portion 18, and (6) “increas[ing]” the diameter of “tube 16.”

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For example, the protruding base section 18 of Kontos's support catheter creates an "eccentric cross-section" that "provides leverage for facilitating manipulation of body 12." Ex-1409, 4:34-38. Similarly, Petitioner's new argument that a POSITA would be motivated to "taper" the relatively thick pushwire (Reply, 13 n.3, 19), contradicts Petitioner's argument in a related IPR that a POSITA would be motivated to modify Itou's pushwire because where it has been flattened created a "potential weakness point in the catheter." IPR2020-00135, Paper 82, 17.

IPR2020-01342, Paper 52 at 5-6

## IPR2020-01342, -01344: Petitioner's Modifications to Kontos are Not New

Patent Owner's Alleged "New Modifications"	Support or Responsive Argument Found in:	Other Support Offered by Petitioner
Removing Kontos's funnel	Petition at 56-61	Ex-1442 (Hillstead), ¶¶ 63-64; Ex-1405 (Brecker), ¶ 210-21
Aligning Kontos's distal tip with tube 16	Petition at 63	Ex-1405 (Brecker), ¶ 252; Ex-1807 (Jones), ¶¶ 128-30
Removing Kontos's base portion 18	POR at 26-31	Ex-1807 (Jones), ¶ 118-20
Tapering Kontos's pushwire	POR at 26-31	Ex-1807 (Jones), ¶¶ 131-32
Increasing the diameter of tube 16	Petition at 57; POR at 42-43	Ex-1807 (Jones), ¶¶ 134-35



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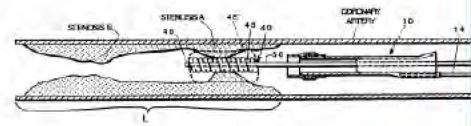
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ABSTRACT  
 A support catheter assembly for facilitating procedures includes a tubular body and a coil member extending from its proximal end to its distal end. A lumen is connected to the tubular body, extending along its length. A support member is connected to the tubular body, extending along its length. The support member may be a wire or a manipulating tubular body. The support member may be provided with a flange or a hook at its proximal end to facilitate of devices therethrough, and radiopaque markers are provided along its length to facilitate of detecting its location relative to other devices during a medical procedure. The support member may be provided with a hook at its proximal end to facilitate of detecting its location relative to other devices during a medical procedure. The support member may be provided with a hook at its proximal end to facilitate of detecting its location relative to other devices during a medical procedure. The support member may be provided with a hook at its proximal end to facilitate of detecting its location relative to other devices during a medical procedure.

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Insertion wire 14 is attached to base portion 18 at proximal end 20 of tube 16, and preferably is permanently affixed thereto. For example, as best shown in FIGS. 1, 3 and 4, wire 14 may be connected to base portion 18 by inserting it into a receiving hole 34, and affixing it therein by, for example, gluing, pressure fitting, shrink fitting, or the like. Alternatively, tube 16 may be molded directly onto application wire 14. Numerous other methods of connecting wire 14 to body 12 will readily occur to those skilled in the art. It will be appreciated that this configuration, wherein tube 16 has an eccentric cross-section at base portion 18 and wire 14 is affixed thereto, provides leverage for facilitating manipulation of body 12.

Ex-1409, 4:25-38

“The test for obviousness is not whether the features of a secondary reference may be bodily incorporated into the structure of the primary reference, but rather whether a skilled artisan would have been motivated to combine the teachings of the prior art references to achieve the claimed invention.”

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# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Representative Side Opening Claim



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(54) **CROSSAL GUIDE CATHETER FOR INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY PROCEDURES**

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9. The method as claimed in claim 1, further comprising extending the interventional cardiology device through a proximal side opening defined by the proximal portion of the tubular structure and extending for a distance along the longitudinal axis of the proximal portion of the tubular structure while the proximal portion remains within the lumen of the guide catheter.



Ex-1401, claim 9 ('413 patent)



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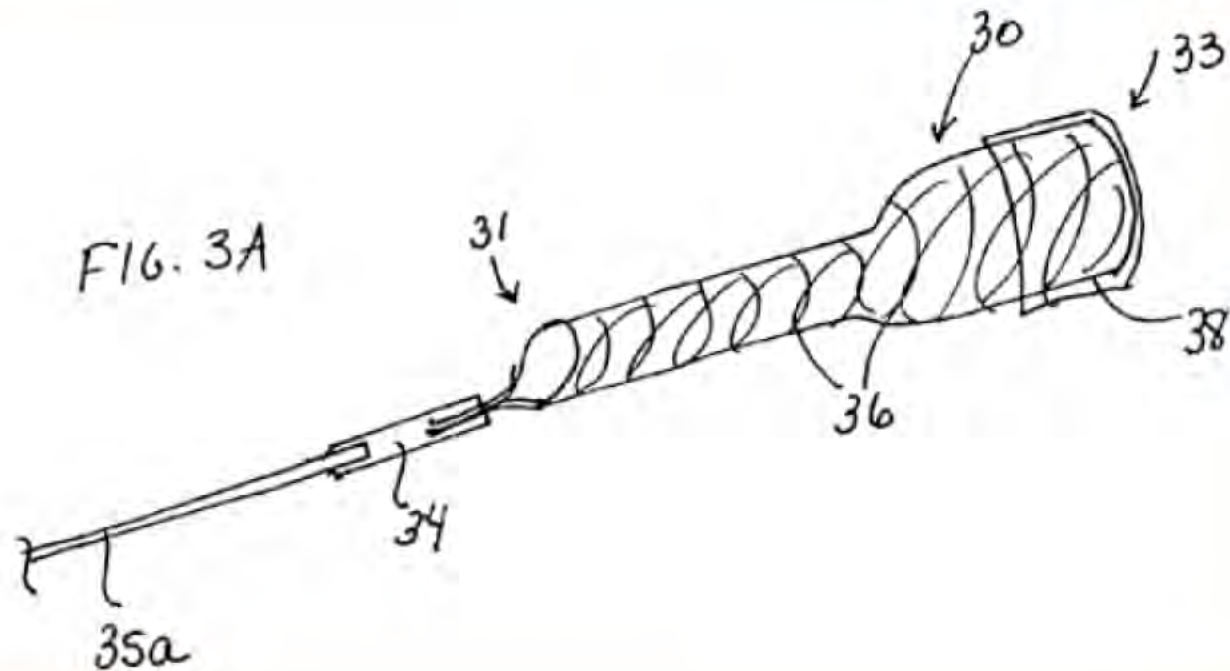
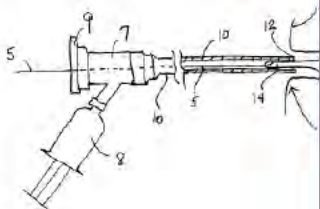
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 the vessel under direct  
 guide catheter or wire  
 or wire. A catheter  
 sheath is then used to  
 create a proximal flow  
 stasis. The device is

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Ex-1435, Fig. 3A



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A method and apparatus of performing an occluding or a treatment site in a vessel of a patient, a seal to prevent the flow of a fluid from the occluding device. A seal may be the vessel and/or diameter of a sheath or a guide catheter as well as within a vessel or vein. An occluding device having a distal tip from the catheter and having a fluid entrance or discharge opening at least the distal end used to seal the vessel. The system or method may flow over a distal (proximal) stenosis, occlude distal.

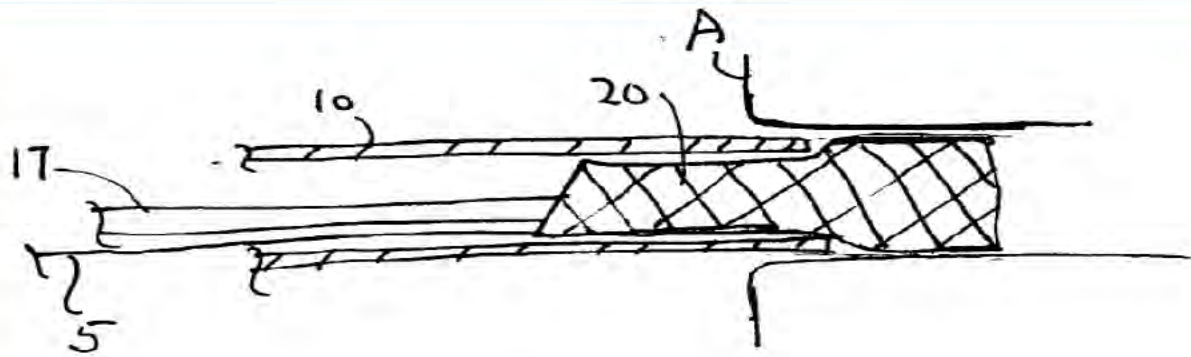
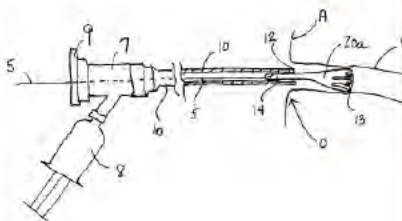


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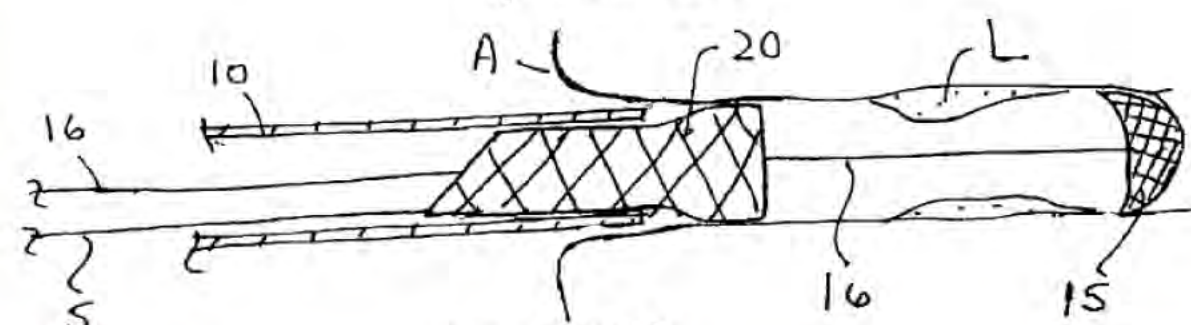


FIG. 2E





1. Smooth Passage of Extension Catheter Through Guide Catheter
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217. Further, a POSITA would additionally have wanted to use a proximal side opening because such a design promotes “smoother passage” of the extension catheter as it is advanced through the guide catheter (i.e., navigates a patient’s vasculature) from the side of insertion into the body to the occlusion site. Ex-1408, 6:52-57; Ex-1425, Abstract, [0034]. This is equally a concern when using a femoral or radial access point. Using an angled side opening can reduce the amount of force necessary to advance the catheter through tortuous vessels.

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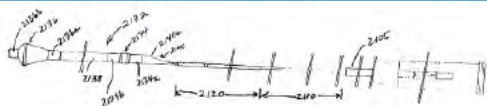
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The proximal and distal ends **140a**, **140b** of the evacuation lumen **140** are preferably angled to allow for smoother passage of the evacuation sheath assembly **100** through a guide catheter, and into a blood vessel, and to facilitate smoother passage of other therapeutic devices through the evacuation lumen **140** of the evacuation head **132**.



Ex-1408, 6:52-57 (Ressemann)



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Ex-1123, 7:54-60 (Keith)

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Innovations S.A.S., and Arrow  
International, Inc.

*Defendants and Counterclaimants.*

it is believed that the geometries of the **funnel and balloon embodiments contribute to the pushability problems** of the Adams device, discussed above, and that the same configuration would cause the same problem for the Crittenden and **Kontos devices.**

Ex-1819, ¶ 113 (Keith)

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Kontos

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[54] SUPPORT CATHETER ASSEMBLY  
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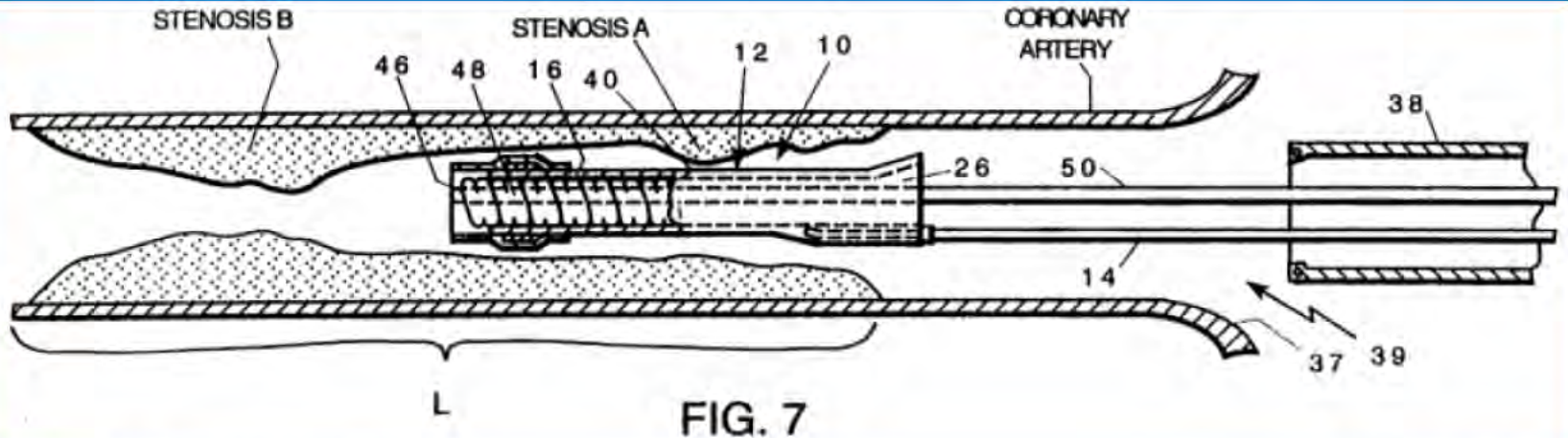
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Ex-1409, Fig. 7



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219. In this embodiment, after the procedure, the support assembly 10 must return to the guide catheter 38. A POSITA would appreciate that the flared proximal opening of the tubular structure (body 12) was a poor design choice. This protrusion could damage the internal coronary wall (intimal lining) and hinder re-entry of the tubular structure into the guide catheter as the tubular structure travels proximally toward the guide catheter. The smaller cross-sectional diameter of an angled proximal opening would likely reduce the likelihood of damaging the coronary artery and result in easier re-insertion into the guide catheter.

Ex-1405, ¶ 219 (Brecker)



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Proximal end **31** is preferably cut or formed at an angle to the seal axis to facilitate unimpeded entry of the seal's proximal end into the distal end of the guide catheter.



Ex-1435, [0066]



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21 Your question is, would an angled side  
22 opening be more easy to retrieve into the guide.  
23 I have extruded angled guide extensions  
24 out of a guide catheter, and I have been able to safely  
25 retrieve them. But I have never extruded such a device  
1 as this. So your question is, would it be easier for the  
2 angled one? I have retrieved angled ones, yes; but I  
3 have never used such a catheter. So it's going to be  
4 difficult for me to say definitively, but I do know that  
5 angled proximal catheters like the GuideLiner I have  
6 extruded and have retrieved.

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14 And so my question is if you found  
15 yourself in that situation, where the proximal end of the  
16 extension catheter was distal to the distal-most portion  
17 of the guide catheter, would you prefer to have the  
18 funnel as shown in Kontos or a proximal side opening?

19 MR. KOHLHEPP: Objection, form.

20 A. In that hypothetical situation, I would prefer  
21 the angled side opening.

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Ex-1801, 79:14-21 (Graham)



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19 Q. And you'd agree that that type of funnel is not  
20 a good way or does not maximize the usable real estate in  
21 the catheter assembly, right?

22 A. You are sacrificing some of your inner  
23 dimension for that funnel; so yes, what you are saying is  
24 true.

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Ex-1813, 92:19-24 (Graham)

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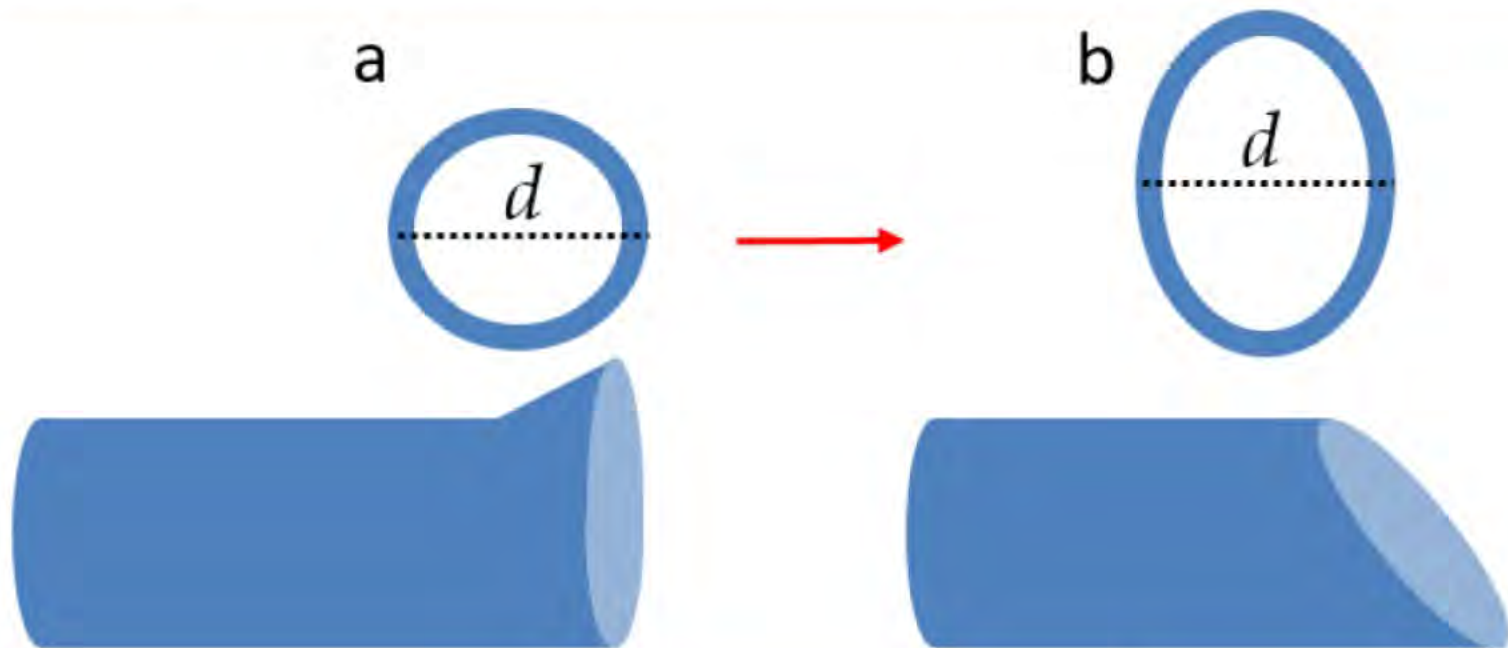
212. In 1995, when Kontos issued, the guide catheter was typically 7-8 French in diameter. *See* ¶ 46, *supra*. By 2006, a 6 French guide catheter had become more common. *Id.* These smaller guide catheters had several advantages: (i) permitted radial access of the catheter assembly<sup>13</sup> and (ii) reduced the size of the access point, regardless of whether femoral or radial access is used. But as the diameter of a guide catheter decreases, that also means that the diameter of the extension catheter must decrease. Because of this, the proximal opening 20 of the tubular structure 12 must decrease. *See* Ex-1409, Fig. 6B.



# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Transition from 7 French to 6 French GC

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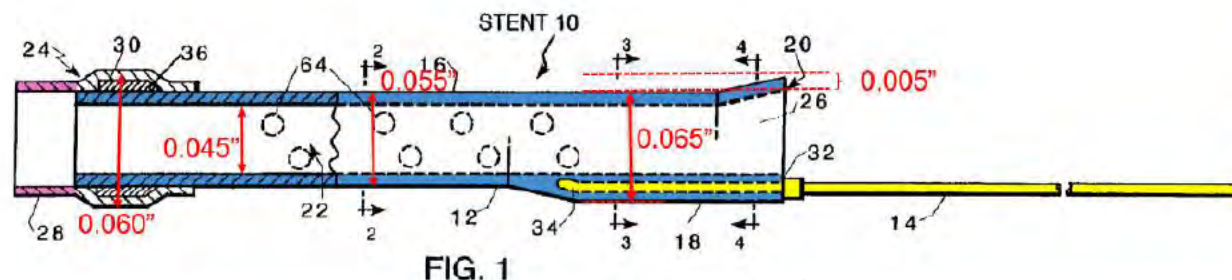
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253. In my opinion, a POSITA would not have been motivated to reduce the outer diameter of Kontos's device because I believe that the Kontos device as disclosed would already have been expected to fit inside a 6 French guide catheter.

Ex-2138, ¶ 253 (-01342 IPR) (Keith)

## DECLARATION OF MICHAEL JONES SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER'S REPLIES

If Kontos is deployed in, for example, a 6 French guide catheter<sup>4</sup> with in inner diameter of 0.070 inches<sup>5</sup>, the maximum the outer diameter of the funnel's apex can be is 0.070 inches. This means the maximum height that the funnel adds to catheter 10's outer diameter is 0.005 inches. This is schematically represented in the figure below.



**DECLARATION OF MICHAEL JONES  
SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER'S REPLIES**

121. A funnel with only a maximum inclination of 0.005 inches over a longitudinal distance of 0.1 inches provides a less than 3-degree angle of inclination. Such a small angle would provide minimal funneling function.

Ex-1807, ¶ 121 (Jones)



**SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION OF  
STEPHEN JON DAVID BRECKER, MD, FRCP, FESC, FACC  
SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF PETITIONER'S REPLIES**

Any actual funneling function would be outweighed by the potential danger of advancing a catheter assembly that “rubbed” against the guide catheter during passage from the hemostatic valve to a location distal the distal-most portion of the guide catheter.

Ex-1806, ¶ 116 (Brecker)



# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Graham “would not expect it to go” in 6 French GC

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20 If the outer diameter of Kontos' funnel at  
21 the proximal end was 0.070 inches, that would at least --

22 or that would hinder the ability to facilitate smooth  
23 passage of the catheter through the guide catheter?

24 A. I would expect it to be a not easy insertion.

25 It depends on the deformability of it.

1 You may be able to compress it down and  
2 crimp it down on get in that way. But you -- for your  
3 argument, .07 inside .07 doesn't -- doesn't equate. I

4 would not expect it to go or go easily.

5 Q. And smooth passage is something that you prefer  
6 to have if possible as an interventional cardiologist?

7 A. Agreed, yes.

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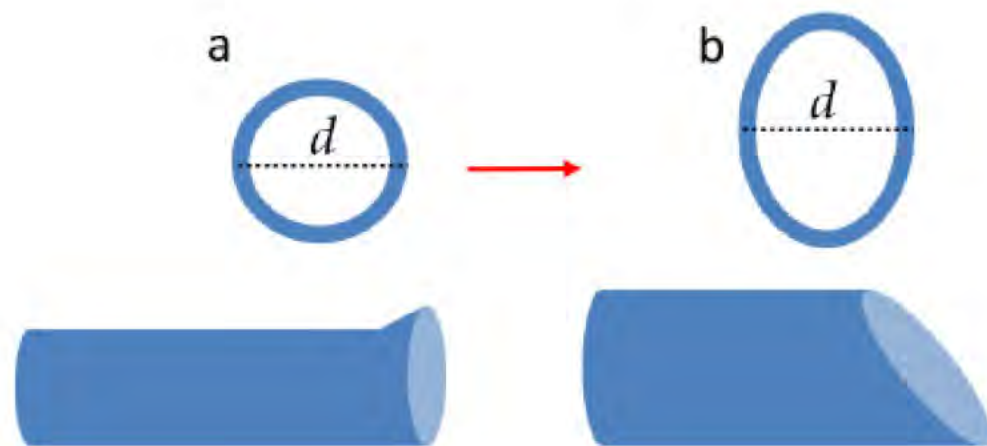
Kontos's tubular structure (tube 16) must decrease. *Id.*; Ex-1409, Fig. 6B. And if the cross-sectional diameter of the proximal opening of the tubular structure becomes too small, it can hinder entry and/or advancement of the therapy catheter.

Ex-1405, ¶ 213.

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For example, as shown below, I have demonstrated how the cross-sectional inner diameter of the tubular structure must be reduced when using a funnel as opposed to a side opening.





# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Motivation to Increase ID of Extension Catheter

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18 Q. All right. So is another way to think about  
19 that, that you want to try to have the largest possible  
20 inner diameter of the extension catheter without having  
21 to increase the outer diameter of the guide catheter?

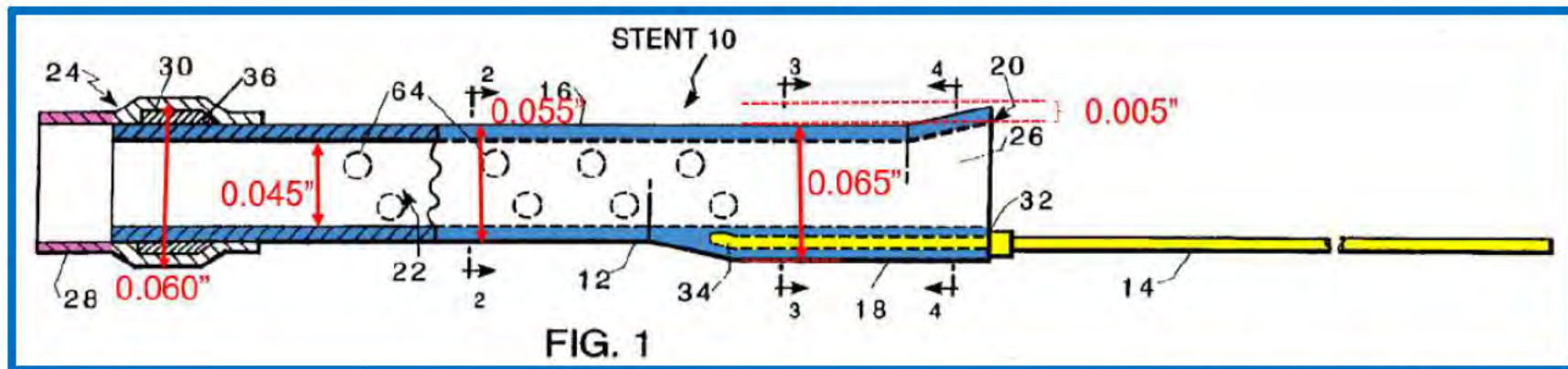
22 A. Yes. You want to -- you want to maximize the  
23 usable inner diameter without having to compromise with a  
24 bigger outer diameter or catheter it goes in, yes.

25 Q. And that goal is similarly important in the  
1 2005-2006 time frame as it is today?

2 A. Real estate is -- we are more aware of real  
3 estate. The phrase hadn't really been described then.  
4 It's used more often now, but the concept would have been  
5 similar.

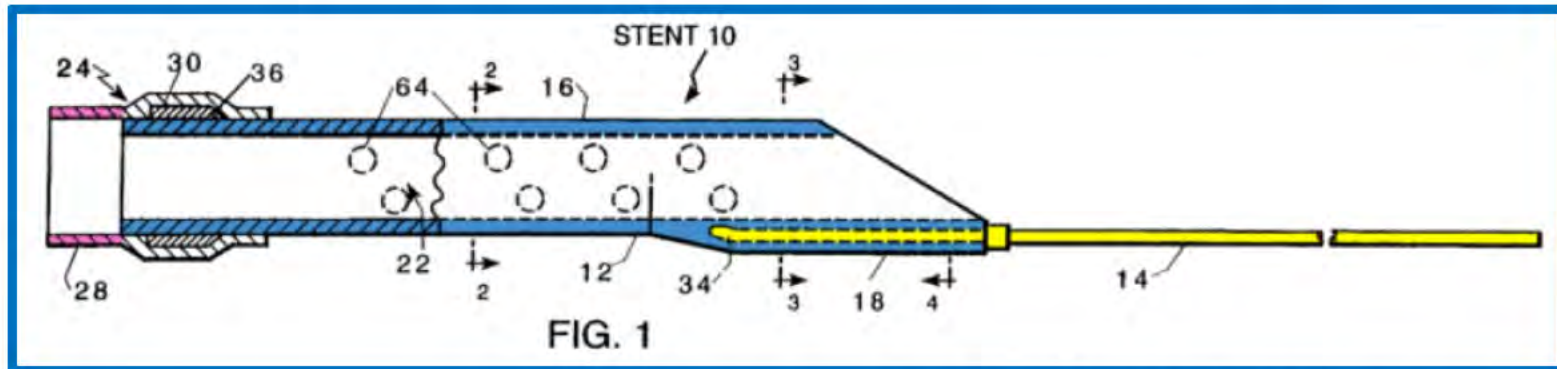


Schematic Based on Patent Owner Argument that Kontos Used with 6 French GC

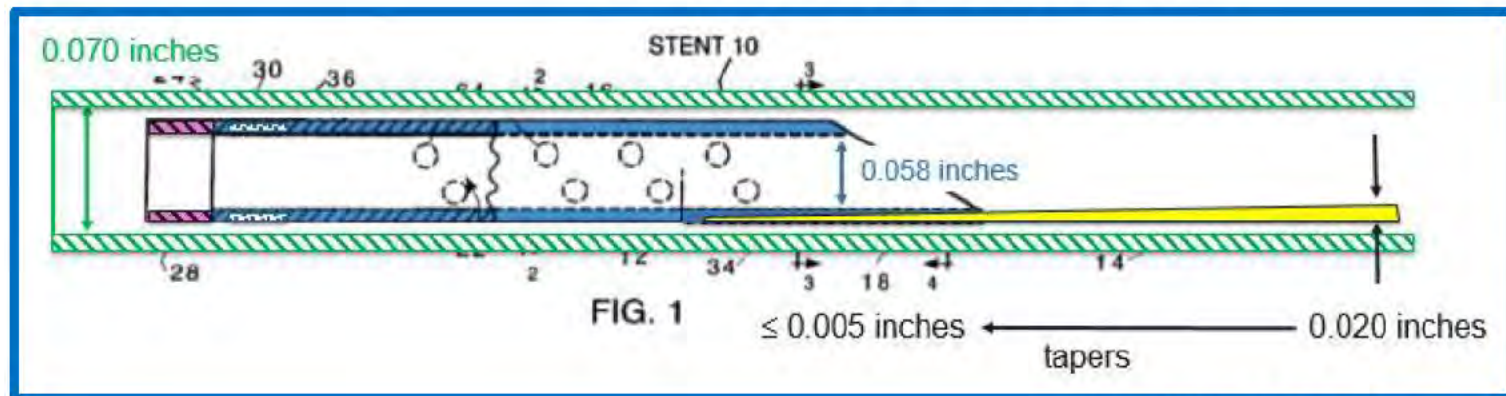


Ex-1807, ¶ 120 (Jones)

# IPR2020-01342, -01344: 7 French or 6 French GC



Ex-1405, ¶ 193 (-01342 IPR) (Brecker)



Ex-1806, ¶ 128 (Brecker)

# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Kontos's Marker Bands

United States Patent [19]

(11) Patent Number: 5,439,445

Kontos

[54] SUPPORT CATHETER

[73] Inventor: Steven R. Kontos  
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[71] Assignee: Boston Scientific Corporation  
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[21] Appl. No.: 08/373,837

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Marker band 30, which is disposed at distal end 24, is preferably composed of a material that is detectable subcutaneously through the use of X-ray or fluoroscopy techniques, i.e., it is preferably radiopaque. As shown in FIG. 1, marker band 30 may be retained between soft tip 28 and tube 16 within recess 36. Of course, numerous other methods for disposing marker band 30 at distal end 24 will be readily apparent to those skilled in the art.

Ex-1409, 4:16-24



# IPR2020-01342 & IPR2020-01344: Motivation for Side Opening

1. Smooth Passage of Extension Catheter Through Guide Catheter
2. Safe Retrieval of Extension Catheter
3. Maximize “Real Estate” Inside Catheter Assembly
- 4. Smooth Receipt of Interventional Cardiology Devices**





(12) United States Patent  
Ressemann et al.

(10) Patent No.: US 7,604,612 B2  
(45) Date of Patent: Oct. 20, 2009

The proximal and distal ends **140a**, **140b** of the evacuation lumen **140** are preferably angled to allow for smoother passage of the evacuation sheath assembly **100** through a guide catheter, and into a blood vessel, and to facilitate smoother passage of other therapeutic devices through the evacuation lumen **140** of the evacuation head **132**.



Ex-1408, 6:52-57 (Ressemann)



United States Patent      No. 10,453,280 B2

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Ex-1123, 7:54-60 (Keith)

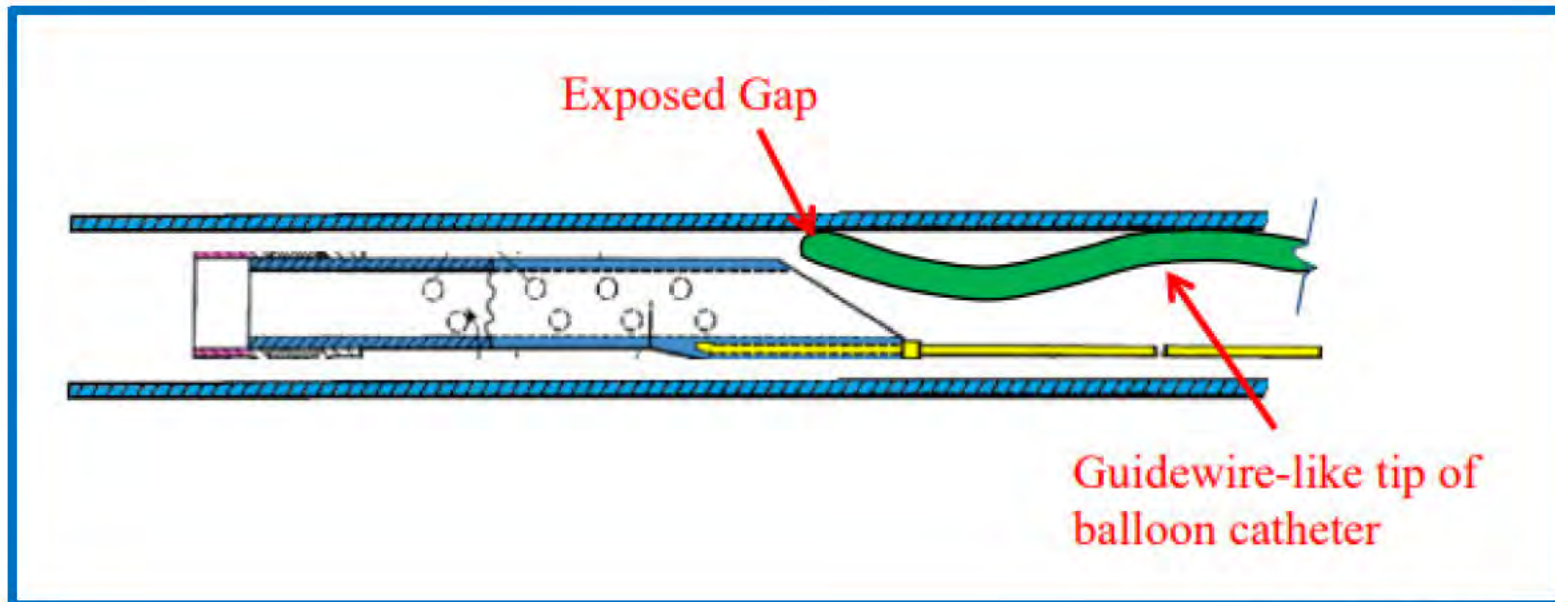
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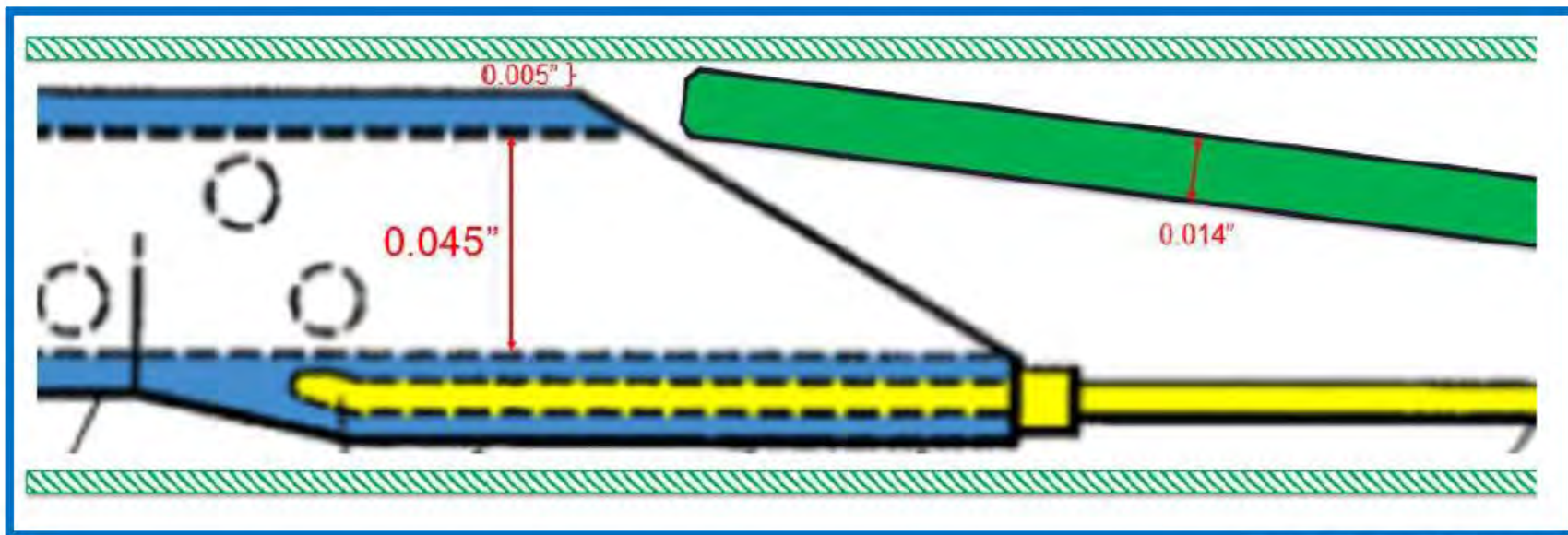
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Ex-2145, ¶ 201 (Keith)



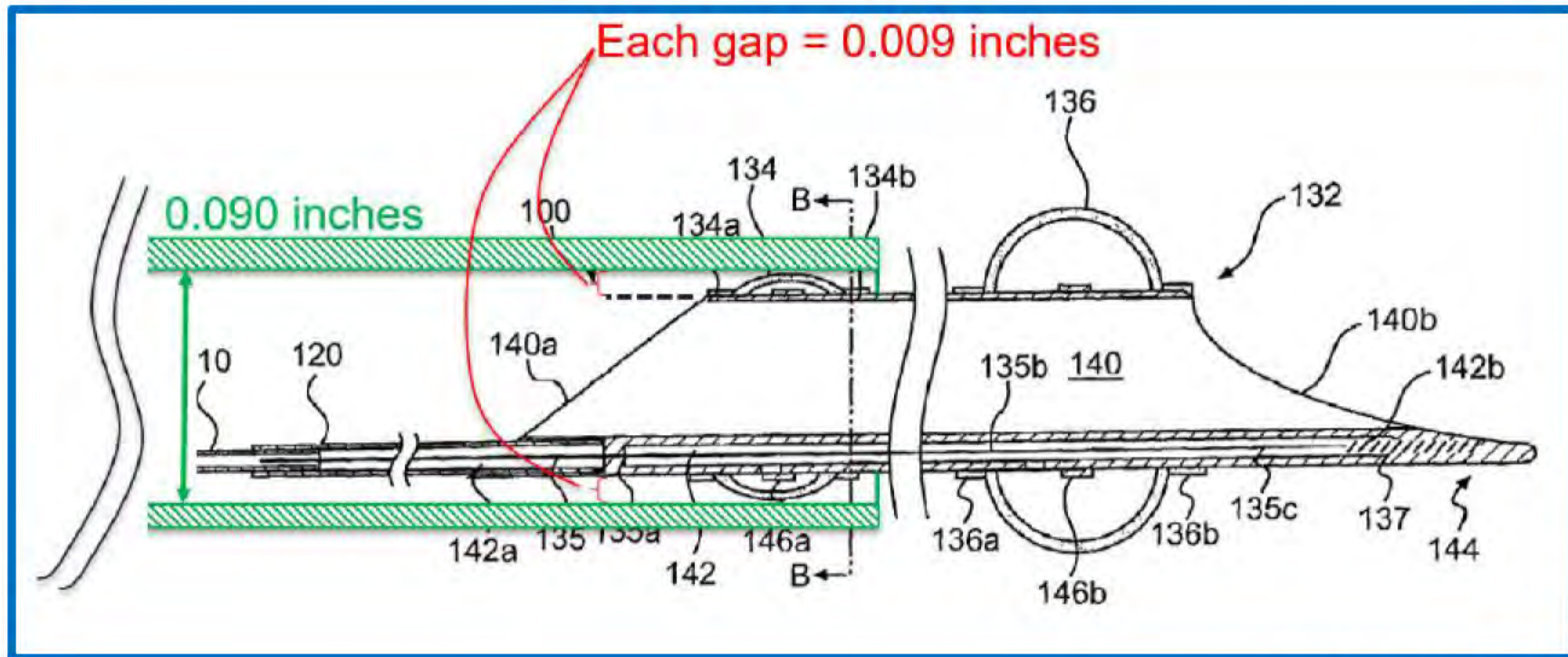
# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Brecker Shows no Catch Point



Ex-1806, ¶ 122 (Brecker)



# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Ressemann/Keith Gap is Larger



Ex-1806, ¶ 125 (Brecker)

Not only do Ressemann and Keith not suggest that the relationship between guide catheter and extension catheter will cause device hang-up, but both teach that their proximal opening will “facilitate smoother passage of the other therapeutic devices through the evacuation lumen 140 of the evacuation head 132.” Ex-1008, 6:52-60; Ex-1123, 7:54-60. Because Ressemann and Keith’s gap is nearly twice as big as the alleged problematic gap in Kontos, I do not believe that replacing Kontos’s funnel with a side opening (and making no further modification) will cause device hang-up.

# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Keith Patent Has No Funnel/Bevel

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15 Q. And this patent where you have your name on  
16 it, nowhere in this patent is there anything about  
17 the use of a flare or a reverse bevel, correct?  
18 A. I don't see it in any of the figures.

Ex-1800, 149:15-18 (Keith)



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(12) **United States Patent**  
Root et al.

(16) Patent No.: **US 8,142,413 B2**  
(45) Date of Patent: **Mar. 27, 2012**

(54) **COAXIAL GUIDE CATHETER FOR INTERVENTIONAL CARDIOLOGY PROCEDURES**

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blood artery.

**13.** The method of claim 1, further comprising selecting the cross-sectional inner diameter of the coaxial lumen of the tubular structure to be **not more than one French smaller than the cross-sectional inner diameter of the guide catheter.**

Ex-1401, claim 13 ('413 patent)



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JUDGMENT  
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Determining Some Challenged Claims Unpatentable  
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35 U.S.C. § 313(a)

Petitioner's arguments with respect to claims 8 and 18 are premised on one of ordinary skill in the art removing Kontos's funnel in favor of a side opening. Pet. 71–72. As discussed above with respect to claim 3, we are not persuaded that this modification to Kontos would have been obvious. Moreover, as noted by Patent Owner, the argument that one of ordinary skill in the art would recess the marker bands and modify the pushrod structure of Kontos requires significant modifications of Kontos's device, modifications that were not proposed in the Petition. Sur-Reply 23–24; Pet. 71–72. The

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A POSITA would have been motivated to combine Takahashi with Kontos and Adams, given the former teaches that the **not-more-than-one French differential** improved backup support of its catheter assembly. *Id.*; Ex-1442, ¶¶ 99-101. Specifically, Takahashi describes a “five-in-six system [as] a method of inserting a 5 Fr guiding catheter ... into a 6 Fr guiding catheter to increase backup support.” Ex-1410, at 452.

Petition (Paper 1) at 73 (-01342)



## Basic Science Review

### New Method to Increase a Backup Support of a 6 French Guiding Coronary Catheter

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A 6 Fr guiding catheter is commonly used in the percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI). However, one of the limitations of the 6 Fr guiding catheter is its weak backup support compared to a 7 or an 8 Fr guiding catheter. In this article, we present a new system for PCI called the five-in-six system. Between March 2003 and September 2003, this system was tried on eight chronic total occlusion cases. The advantage of the five-in-six system is that it increases backup support of a 6 Fr guiding catheter. *Catheter Cardiovasc Interv* 2004;63:452–456. © 2004 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

**Key words:** five-in-six system; backup support; 6 Fr guiding catheter; chronic total occlusion

#### INTRODUCTION

Currently, a 6 Fr guiding catheter is commonly used in percutaneous coronary intervention (PCI), since its use can decrease access site complication, enable early ambulation, and reduce the consumption of the contrast dye [1–4]. Major limitations of a 6 Fr guiding catheter are the inner lumen is not big enough to accommodate bulky atherectomy devices, and its backup support is not strong compared to a 7 or an 8 Fr catheter. In this report, we demonstrate a new technique for PCI called the five-in-six system, which increases a backup support of a 6 Fr guiding catheter.

#### MATERIALS AND METHODS

##### The Five-in-Six System

The five-in-six system is a method of inserting a 5 Fr guiding catheter (Heartrail, Terumo, Japan) into a 6 Fr guiding catheter to increase backup support. As we insert the 5 Fr inner guiding catheter into the target artery through the outer 6 Fr guiding catheter, stronger backup support can be generated (Fig. 1A).

This 5 Fr Heartrail straight guiding catheter is 120 cm in length, whereas the 6 Fr guiding catheter is 100 cm. The 5 Fr Heartrail catheter has a very soft 13 cm end portion. This soft end portion can easily negotiate the tortuous coronary artery with the minimal damage and then it can be inserted more deeply into the artery. The inner lumen of the 5 Fr Heartrail catheter is 0.059" in

diameter; it can accept normal balloons or stent delivery systems less than 4.0 mm in diameter. The inner lumen of the outer 6 Fr catheter needs to be more than 0.071" in diameter to accommodate the 5 Fr Heartrail catheter; Launcher (Medtronic), Heartrail, and Radiguide (Terumo) guiding catheters can meet this inner lumen diameter.

##### In Vitro Experiments

We measured the backup support of this five-in-six system in vitro using an experimental system. The artery model had three curves simulating tortuous coronary arteries. It was filled with water that was kept at 37°C (Fig. 1B). A guiding catheter was engaged into the ostium of the artery model. Then a rapid-exchange balloon catheter (Ryujin 2.5 × 20 mm; Terumo) was pushed into

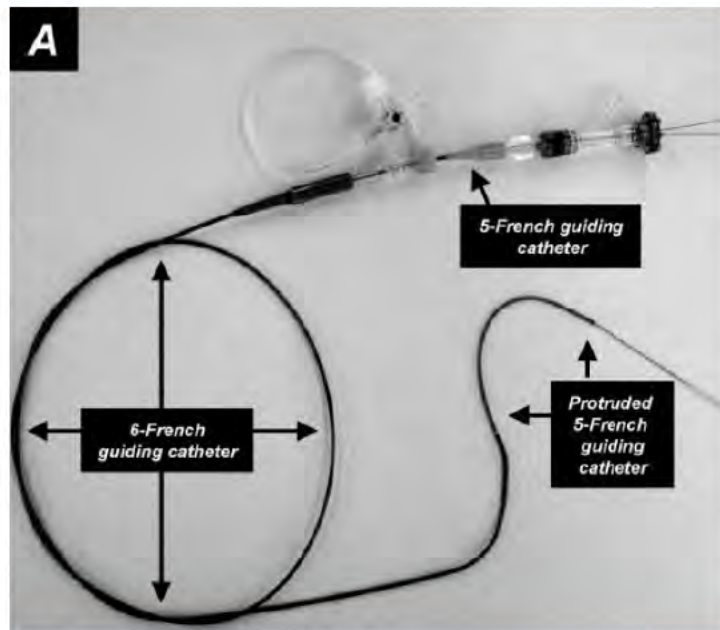
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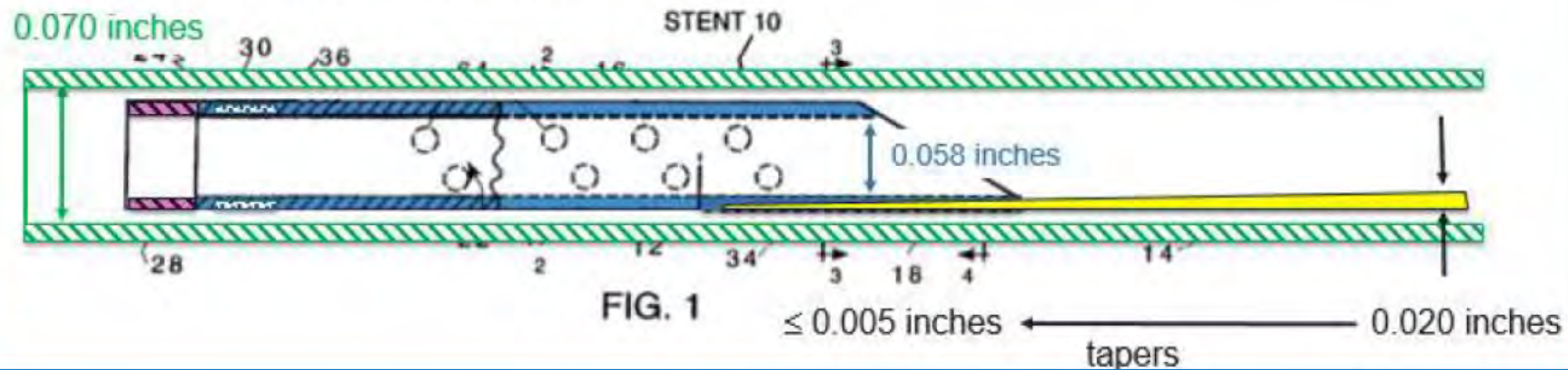


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133. Making these straightforward modifications results in a configuration schematically represented below.



Ex-1807, ¶ 133 (Jones)

# IPR2020-01342, -01344: Jones Testimony

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6 Q. Okay. And you don't see any  
7 inconsistencies by saying that one of ordinary  
8 skill in the art would pound Kontos's wire flat,  
9 even though with respect to another piece of prior  
10 art, you criticized that prior art because that  
11 prior art pounds the wire flat.

12 A. Yeah. Because the -- again, I stand by  
13 that statement. The difference in producing a flat  
14 spot in a very short distance, as shown in Itou,  
15 and the difference between creating a flat  
16 cross-section in -- as shown in the Figure 179 is  
17 rather substantial.

18 There's a whole lot less work -- or  
19 work-hardening in the relatively large size that's  
20 been flattened versus the very end that's  
21 flattened.

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# Issues Specific to IPR2020-01344

1. Root is Prior Art
2. Kontos's Tube 16 is Coaxial to Guide Catheter
3. Stents are Deliverable Through Kontos



# IPR2020-01344: Obviousness Under Root

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The Challenged Claims recite an extension catheter having a “segment defining a side opening” that is in a separate and distinct region from the claimed “substantially rigid segment.” Ex-1442, ¶¶ 35-40. There is no support in any specification in the priority chain or the original claims for a side opening that is outside the substantially rigid segment. *Id.*, ¶¶ 41-63. Therefore, the Challenged Claims are not entitled to their claim of priority.

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Plaintiffs Vascular Solutions, LLC, Arrow International, Inc., Teleflex LLC, and Teleflex Life Sciences Limited (collectively "Teleflex") bring this patent-infringement action against defendants Medtronic, Inc. and Medtronic Vascular, Inc. (collectively "Medtronic"). Teleflex claims that Medtronic's Telescope catheter infringes claims in seven patents that are directed to guide extension catheters used in interventional

Teleflex mischaracterizes the law. While predictability and criticality can be

relevant to the adequacy of the written description, the focus is on what the disclosure conveys to persons of ordinary skill in the art. *Ariad*, 598 F.3d at 1351. This inquiry—which, again, is a question of fact for the jury, *id.* at 1355—"will necessarily vary depending on the context," *id.* at 1351, and "the precedential value of cases in this area is extremely limited," *Amgen Inc. v. Sanofi*, 872 F.3d 1367, 1377 (Fed. Cir. 2017) (citation and quotation marks omitted). As the Federal Circuit stated in *Ariad*,

[W]e do not try here to predict and adjudicate all the factual scenarios to which the written description requirement could be applied. Nor do we set out any bright-line rules governing, for example, the number of species that must be disclosed to describe a genus claim, as this number necessarily changes with each invention, and it changes with progress in a field.

*Ariad*, 598 F.3d at 1351.

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Teleflex next argues that the specification explicitly discloses side openings in portions other than the "substantially rigid" portion, pointing to Figure 1 of the specification as an example. As can be seen in Figures 4 and 12 through 16, however, the side opening is actually in the rigid portion. Am. Compl. Ex. G Figs. 1, 4, 12-16; see also Hr'g Tr. 182 ("All of the embodiments disclose [the side opening] in what the patent is calling the rigid portion.").

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249. A POSITA would have been motivated to locate the side opening outside of the substantially rigid segment because it was known that “stents can get damaged entering [a] metal collar.” Ex-1509 at 10. For example, a “main limitation” of Teleflex’s original GuideLiner product was that the metal collar (side opening in the substantially rigid portion) could damage a stent upon entry into the extension catheter and the prior art suggested “[f]uture catheter design modifications” to eliminate this risk. *Id.*

IPR2020-01344, Ex-1405 (Brecker), ¶ 249



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219. A POSITA would have been motivated to modify the side opening shown in Root Figure 4 to change this portion from substantially rigid to flexible (*i.e.*, made of the same material used for the tube of the extension catheter). In particular, one known drawback of using a rigid side opening is that it can damage the interventional cardiology device upon entry into the extension catheter.

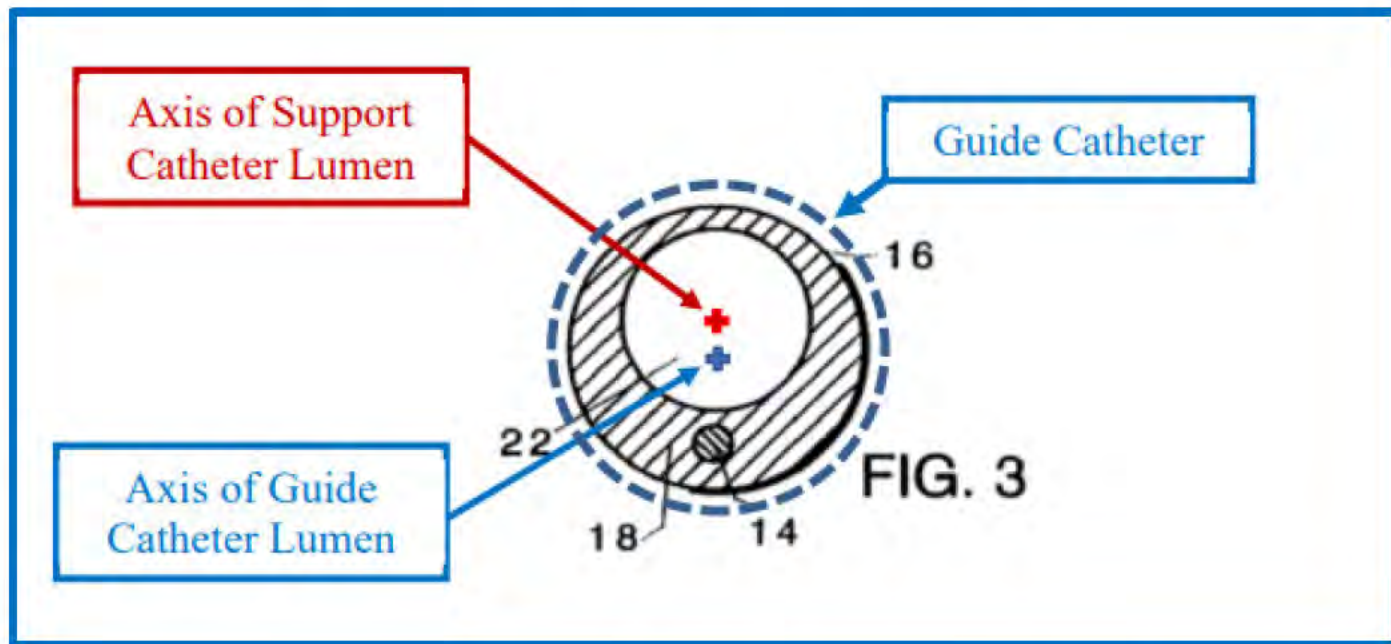
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Ex-2138, ¶ 256 (Keith)

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Further, Kontos teaches that tube 16 has a 0.045 inch inner diameter (Ex-1409, 4:46-50), meaning stent and stent catheters could be advanced through Kontos's tube 16. Ex-1405, ¶ 221; Ex-1428, 641; Ex-1497, 104, 269, 274, 280; Ex-1409, 4:64-5:3. Regardless, the Ground II combination modifies Kontos's tube 16 (e.g., removal of funnel), such that it was possible to deliver larger sized stents. Ex-1405, ¶ 222; Ex-1442, ¶¶ 186-90. Stent delivery was common and combining Kontos with Ressemann would have required no creativity, experimentation, or invention. Ex-1405, ¶ 222; Ex-1442, ¶ 201.

IPR2020-01344, Petition at 46





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As an initial matter, stent

delivery was common by well before 2006. Further, tube 16 of body 12 has a 0.045 inch inner diameter. Ex-1409, 4:46-50. It was known that stent and stent catheters could be advanced through the extension catheter of Kontos. Ex-1415, 641 (“All current slotted tube designs are ‘bare mounted’ on a delivery balloon, with deflated profiles smaller than 0.040-in. (1mm) . . . .”); Ex-1497, 104 (Genic® stent with less than 0.9 mm (0.035 inch) profile), 143 (Lunar stent with 0.0382 inch profile), 269 (Spiral Force stent with 0.039 to 0.042 inch profile), 274 (Tsunami stent with 0.95 mm (0.038 inch) profile). The lumen of body 12 of Kontos was sufficiently sized to permit such delivery of the balloon catheter or stent.

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Ex-1405 (Brecker Opening Declaration), ¶ 221