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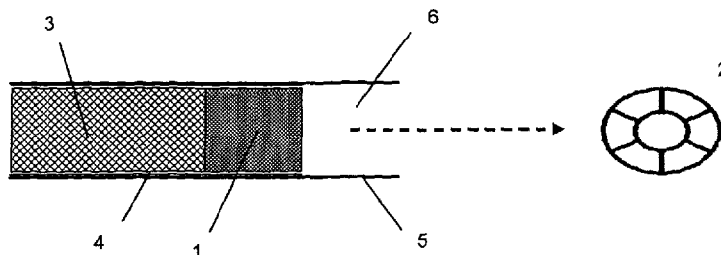
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Figure 1



(57) Abstract: A tobacco smoke filter or filter element comprising: a longitudinally extending core which includes tobacco smoke filtering material; and an outer wrapper engaged around the longitudinal extending core; wherein the longitudinally extending core includes one or more channels extending longitudinally upstream from the downstream end of the core; and wherein the downstream end of the outer wrapper extends beyond the downstream end of the core around which is engaged to define a cavity at the downstream end of the filter.

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