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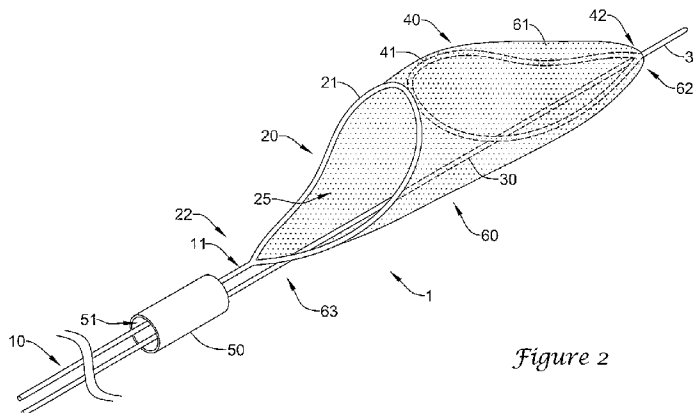


Figure 2

(57) Abstract: Disclosed is an emboli capturing device having a first support hoop (20, 420) at a distal portion of a first elongate member (10, 410), and a support member (30, 430) that is coupled to the first support hoop. The support member can comprise a second elongate member. In some cases, the second elongate member can be coupled to the first support hoop. In other cases, the support member can comprise a second elongate member and a support strut. The support strut can be coupled to both the first support hoop and the second elongate member. Movement of the support member relative to the first elongate member can translate the first support hoop between collapsed and expanded configurations. Once in a desired configuration, the support members can also provide support to maintain the first support hoop in the desired configuration. Also disclosed is a combination emboli capturing and perfusion device (812). The combination device can have a perfusion member in combination with an emboli capturing device. The perfusion member can facilitate the introduction of fluids around a lesion in a vessel of a patient, for example if the lesion is creating a partial or total occlusion of the vessel.

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1. claims: 1-10, 16, 17, 19, 20-30,36, 37

An emboli capturing device comprising a first elongate member, a first support hoop coupled to the first elongate member, a capture membrane disposed on the support hoop forming a capture basket; and a first support member comprising a second elongate member, the first and second elongate members being longitudinally translatable with respect to one another; the first support member further comprising a second hoop.

2. claims: 11-15, 31-35

An emboli capturing device comprising a first elongate member, a first support hoop coupled to the first elongate member, a capture membrane disposed on the support hoop forming a capture basket; and a first support member comprising a second elongate member, the first and second elongate members being longitudinally translatable with respect to one another; the device further comprising an alignment member.

3. claims: 18, 38, 47-49

A combination perfusion and emboli capturing device comprising a first elongate member, a first support hoop coupled to the first elongate member, a capture membrane disposed on the support hoop forming a capture basket; and a first support member comprising a second elongate member, the first and second elongate members being longitudinally translatable with respect to one another; and further comprising a perfusion member.

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