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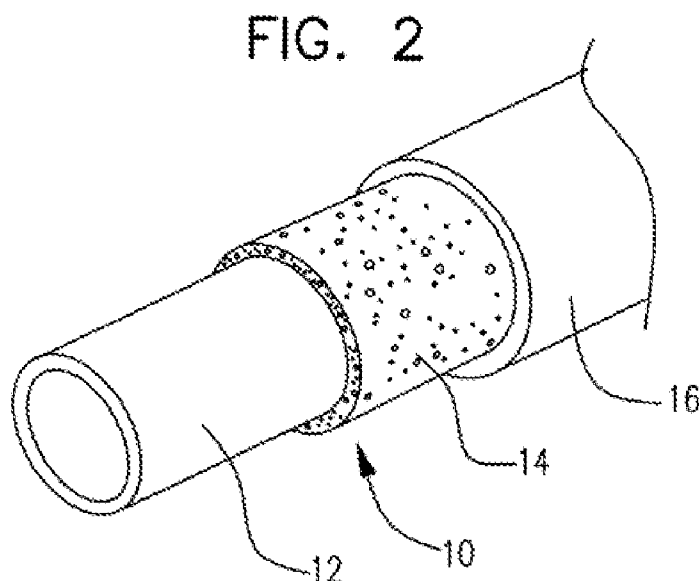
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(57) Abstract: A drug eluting stent comprising a multilayer tubular structure which includes at least one intermediate layer (14) having reservoirs therein for deposition of a drug, the intermediate layer eluting drug in a lateral direction, and methods of making the same.

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A drug delivery stent comprising an intermediate layer  
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