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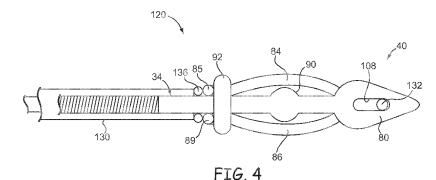
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A subcutaneous implantable lead comprising a coil disposed along a portion of the lead and a lead tip comprising at least one component that is movable relative to the distal end of the lead and configured to anchor the lead tip.

2. claims: 13-15

A subcutaneous implantable lead system comprising a lead with a defibrillation electrode, a lead tip comprising at least one arm that is movable relative to a central axis of the lead tip, A tunneling tool configured to removably couple with the lead tip and advance the lead tip subcutaneously, and a tubular member movable axially along the tunneling tool to displace a portion of the arm laterally away from the central axis of the lead tip.

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