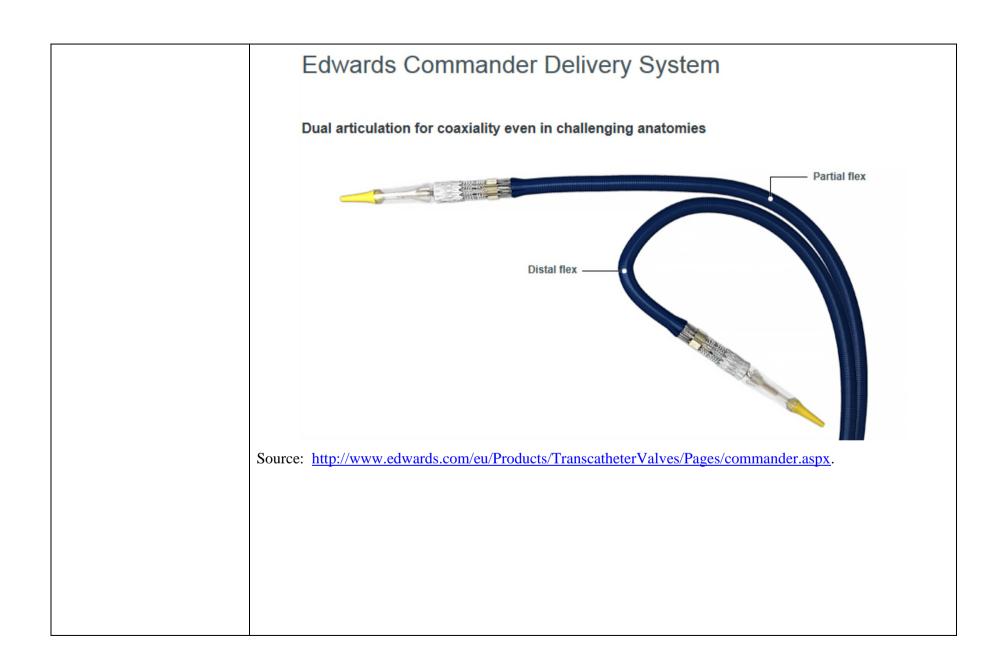
Ex. A: CLAIM CHART FOR INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,007,543 By Edwards

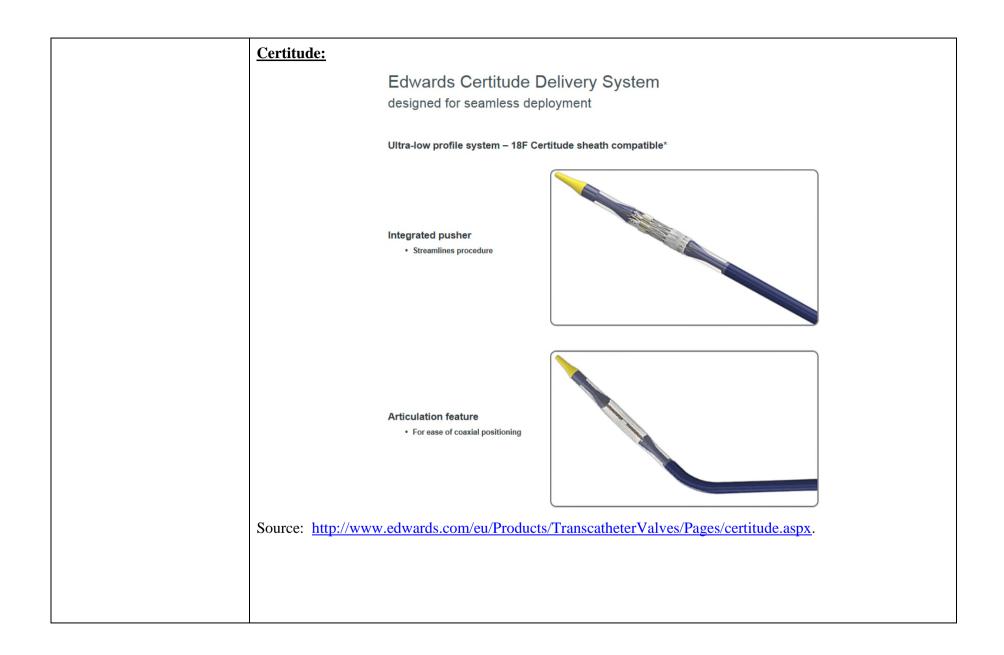
Claim 1	
Element	Accused Products
[1 preamble ¹] A stent delivery system comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, on information and belief, Edwards made, used, offered to sell, and/or sold in the United States, and/or imported into the United States each of the balloon catheters used in its Commander Delivery System ("Commander"), Certitude Delivery System ("Certitude"), NovaFlex Delivery System ("NovaFlex"), and RetroFlex Delivery System ("RetroFlex") for delivery and deployment of its Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and/or Sapien products. ²
	For example:
	<u>Commander:</u>
	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh.docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

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The designations in square brackets before the claim language in each row is added to permit convenient reference to specific claim language. These added designations are not part of the claim language and are not intended to limit the claims in any way. No interpretation is intended to be conveyed by the words grouped together with each designation.

The Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien, and their corresponding delivery systems, are collectively referred to herein as the "Sapien products." On information and belief, unless otherwise noted, any differences between various versions or models of the delivery systems identified herein or between the Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien are immaterial to the assertions set forth herein.

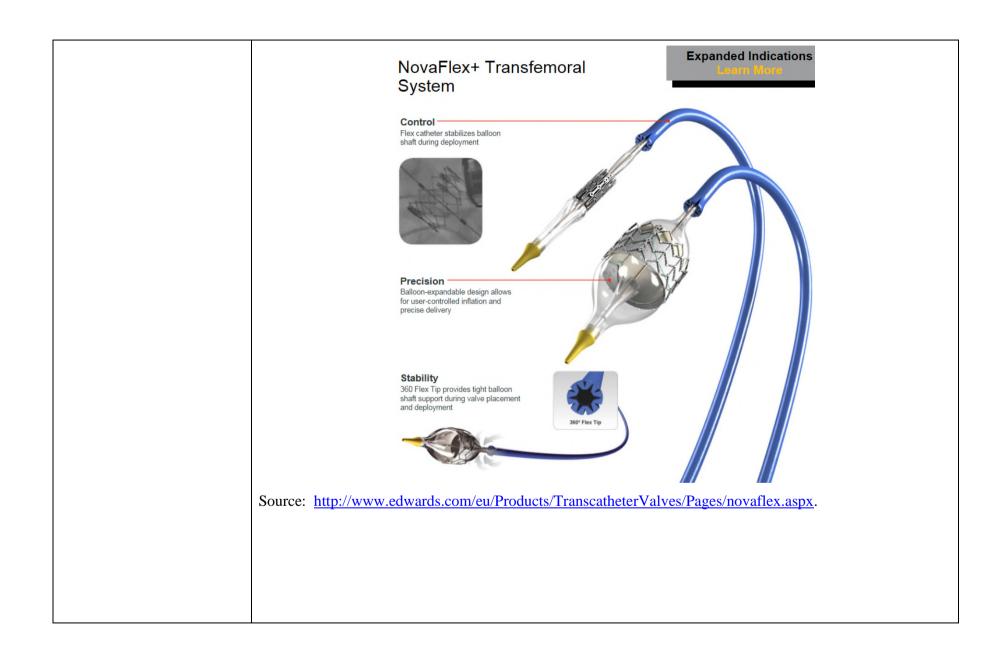




NovaFlex:

The NovaFlex+ delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN XT THV. The delivery system includes a flex wheel for articulation of the flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate advancing to the RVOT, and a balloon catheter for deployment of the THV. The handle also contains a flex indicator depicting articulation of the flex catheter, a valve alignment wheel for fine adjustment of the THV during valve alignment, a button that enables movement between handle positions, and a flush port to flush the flex catheter. The balloon catheter has radiopaque markers defining the valve alignment position and the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque double marker proximal to the balloon indicates flex catheter position during deployment.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.



RetroFlex:

The RetroFlex 3 delivery system includes a rotating wheel within the handle for articulation of flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate crossing the native valve, a balloon for deployment of the bioprosthesis, and radiopaque markers as indicated in Figure 2.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

Transcatheter Heart Valves

Edwards SAPIEN Pulmonic Models

Product Description	23 mm	26 mm
RetroFlex 3 Kit	9100RF323	9100RF326
Edwards SAPIEN Valve	9000TFX23	9000TFX26
RetroFlex 3 Delivery System	9120FS23	9120FS26
RetroFlex 3 Introducer Sheath Set	9120S23	9120S26
RetroFlex Balloon Catheter	9120BC20	9120BC23
RetroFlex Dilator Kit	9100DKS7	9100DKS7
Edwards Crimper	9100CR23	9100CR26
Atrion QL2530 Inflation Device	96402	96402



Edwards SAPIEN Valve



RetroFlex 3 Delivery System

Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/pulmonicmodels.aspx.

[1a]
a radially expandable stent of generally cylindrical configuration, having a first end and a second end and a contracted state and an expanded state, and

The Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex include delivery systems for the Sapien products.

Each of the Sapien products comprises a radially expandable stent. For example:

The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.

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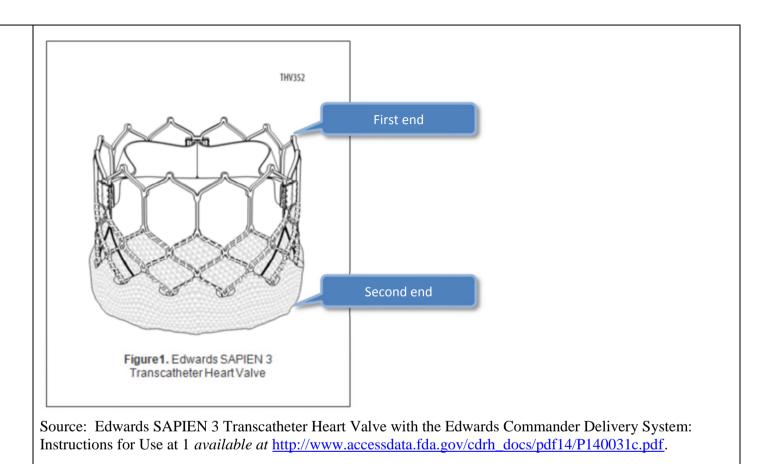
The Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.

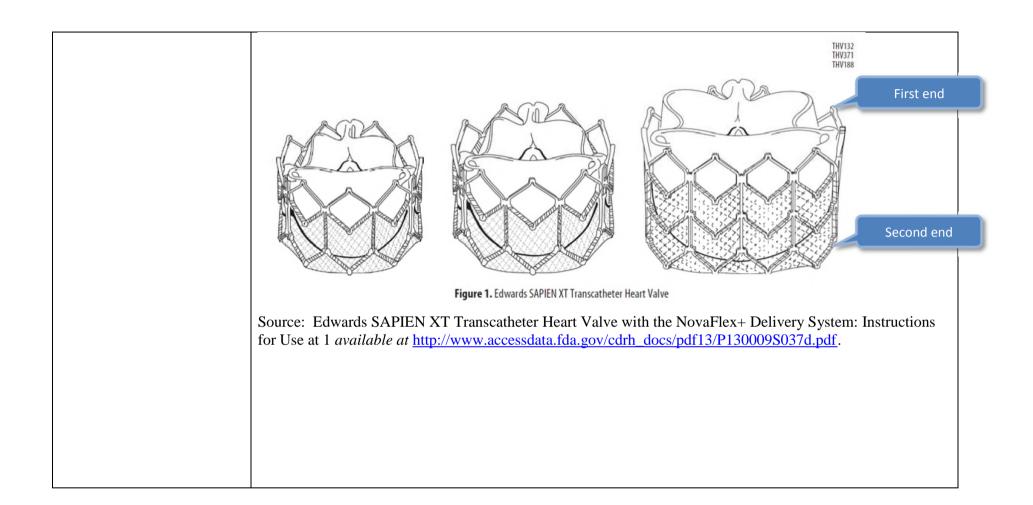
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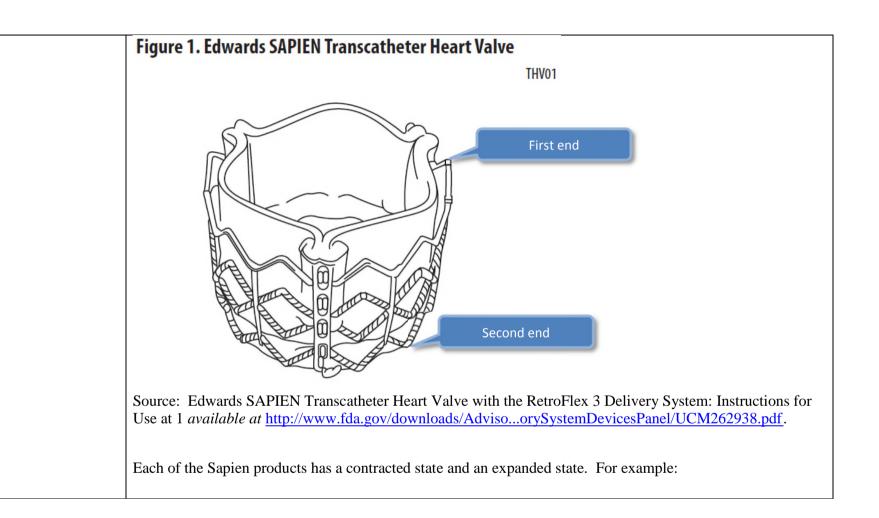
The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde

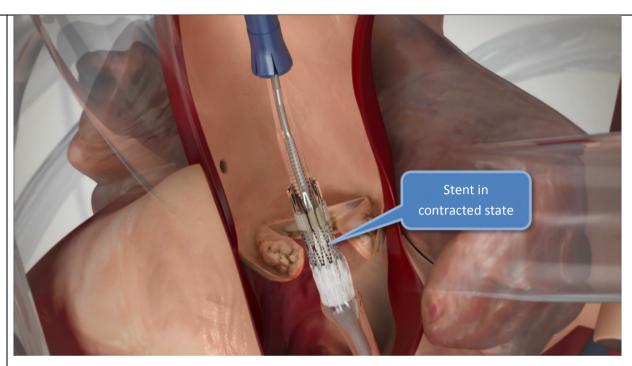
Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

Each of the Sapien products has a generally cylindrical configuration with a first end and a second end. For example:

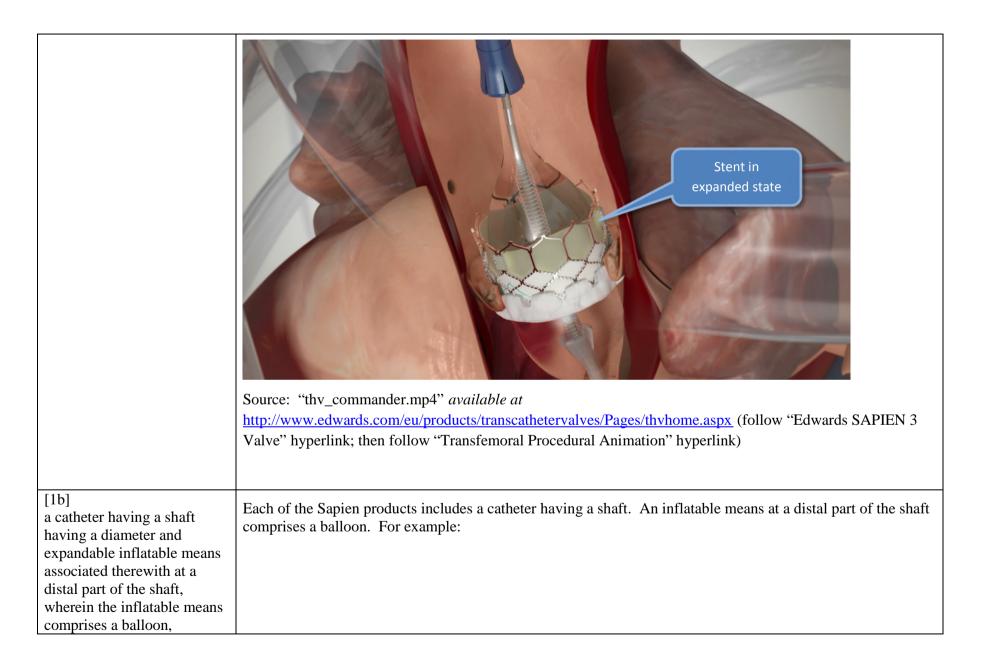


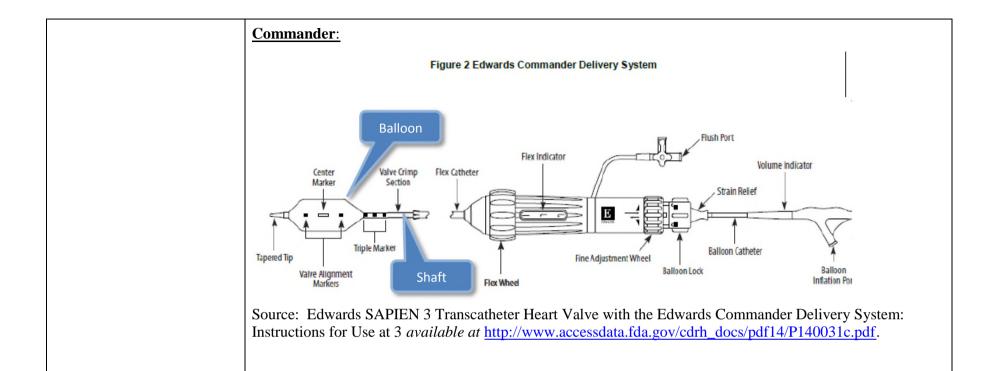


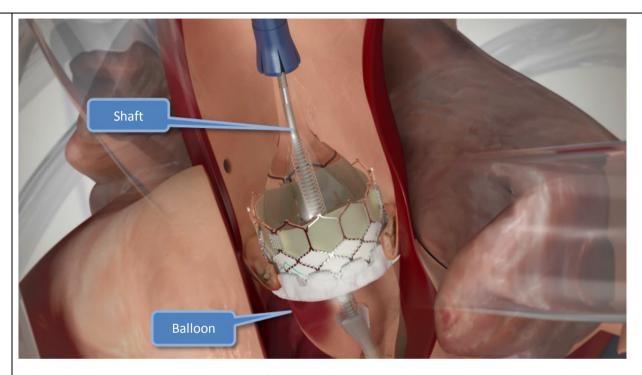




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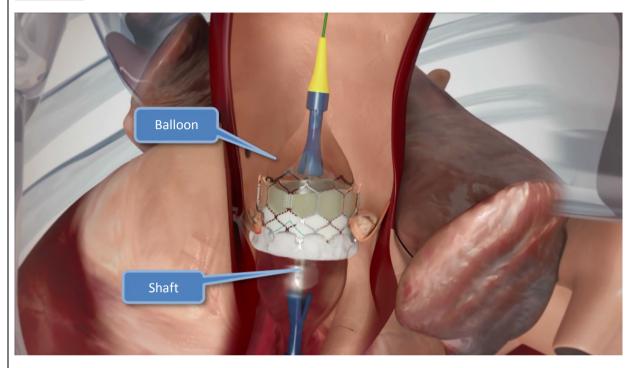






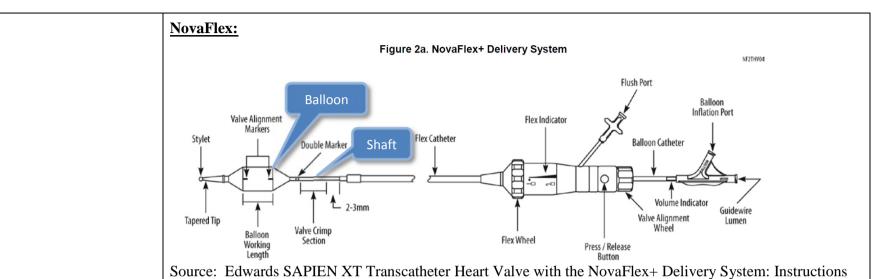
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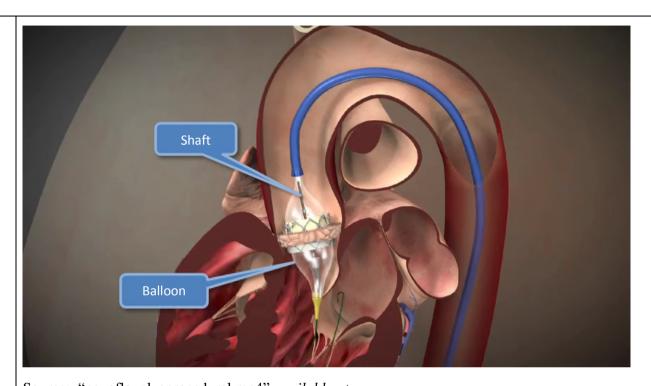


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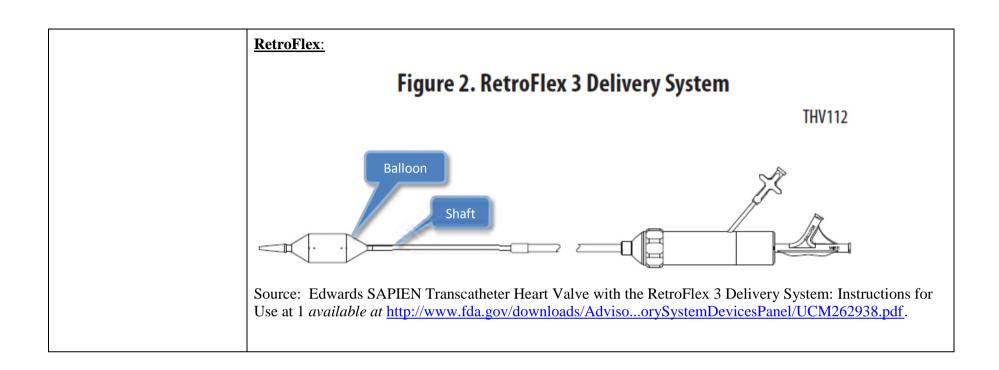
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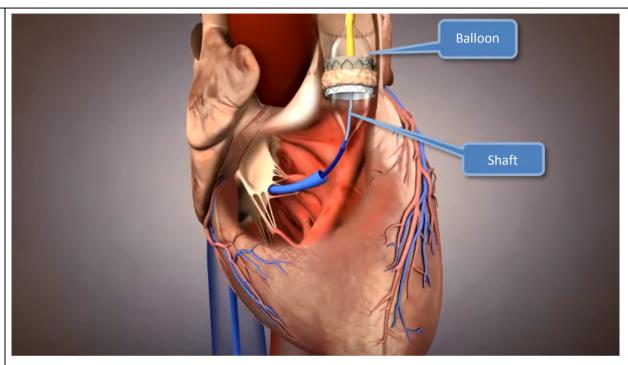


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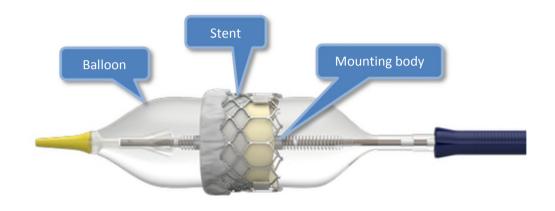
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[1c] and including mounting and retaining means for receiving the stent on the expandable inflatable means for radial expansion of the stent upon inflation of the inflatable means, the mounting and retaining means including at

Each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex includes a mounting and retaining means (mounting body) carried on and surrounding the shaft inside the inflatable means (balloon). The stent is received on the balloon by the mounting body inside the balloon. Inflation of the balloon causes radial expansion of the stent. For example:

least one mounting body carried on and surrounding the shaft inside the inflatable means,

Commander:

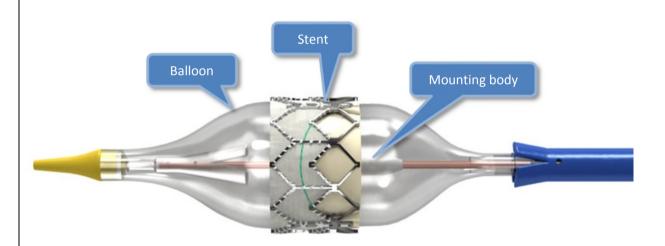


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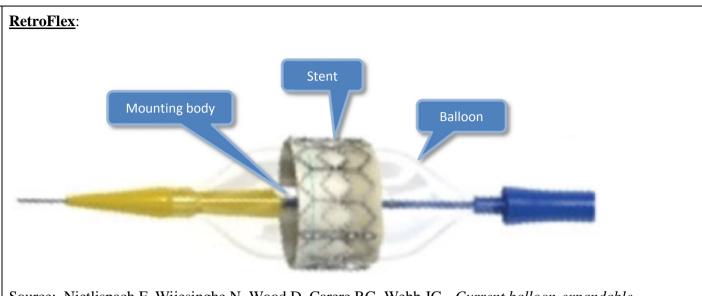
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting and retaining means carried on and surrounding the shaft inside the inflatable means, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:



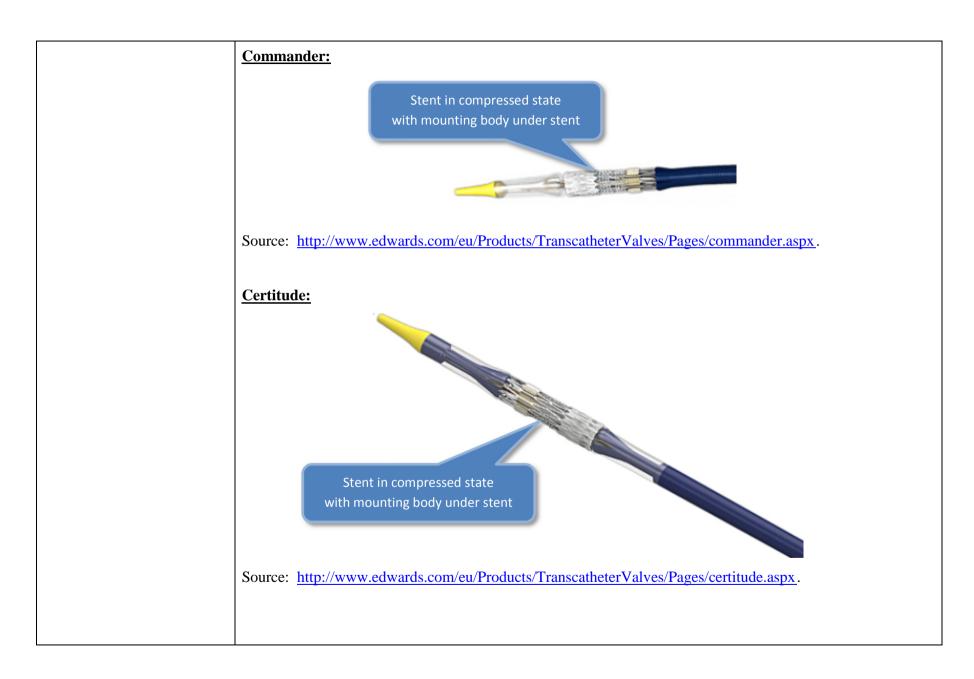
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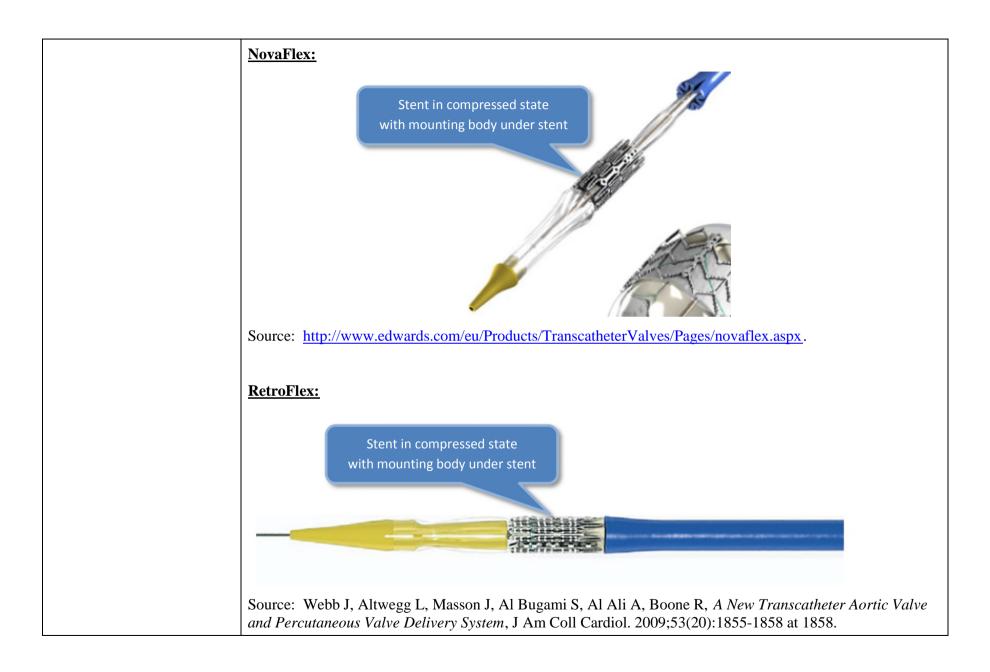


Source: Nietlispach F, Wijesinghe N, Wood D, Carere RG, Webb JG., *Current balloon-expandable transcatheter heart valve and delivery systems*, Catheter Cardiovasc Interv 2010;75:295–300 at 298.

[1d] the at least one mounting body being substantially the same length as the stent and being positioned on the shaft such that when the stent is loaded onto the inflatable means and the shaft in the stent's contracted state at least a portion of the at least one mounting body is under the stent and between the first and second ends of the stent,

For each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex, the mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent. When the stent is loaded onto the balloon and the shaft in the stent's contracted state, at least a portion of the mounting body is under the stent and between first and second ends of the stent. For example:





[1e] whereby the diameter of the shaft and inflatable portion are increased at the distal part for facilitating the mounting and retaining of the stent.

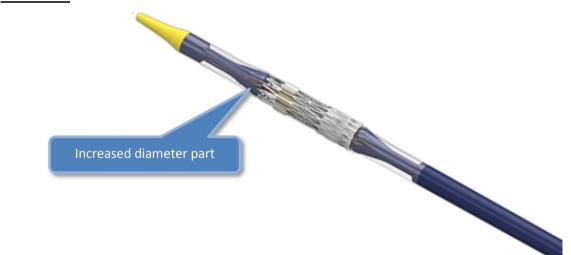
For each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex, the diameter of the shaft and inflatable portion are increased at the distal part for facilitating the mounting and retaining of the stent. For example:

Commander:

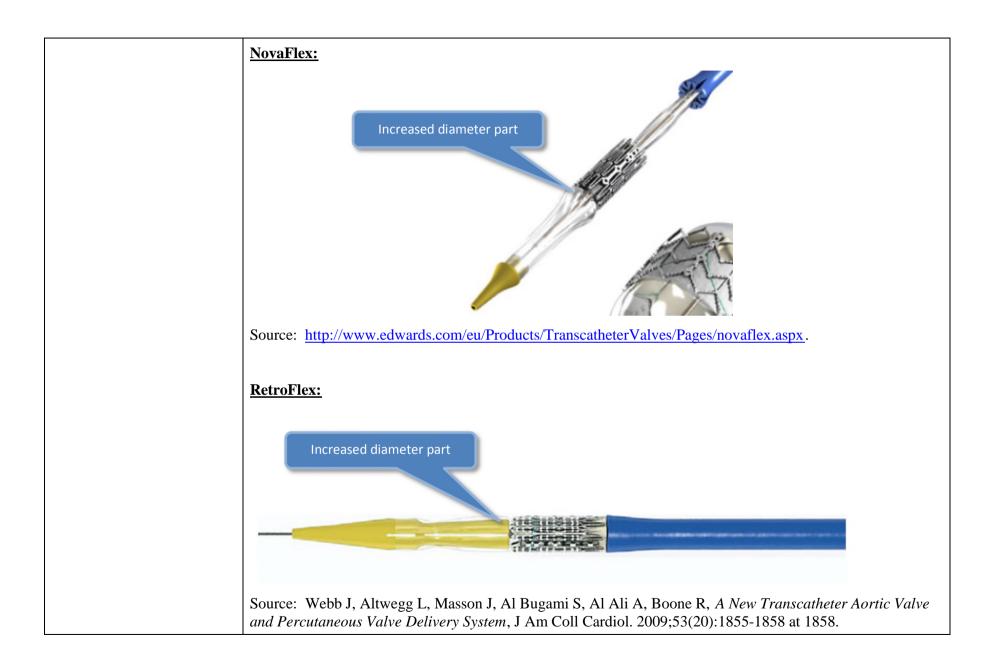


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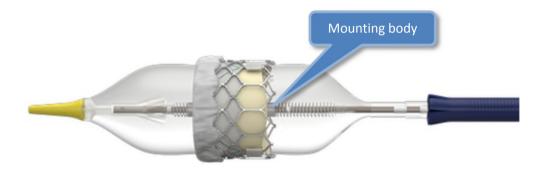


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Claim 2		
Element	Accused Products	
[2 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
claim 1 [2a] wherein the mounting body is of a material which resiliently deforms under radial pressure.	The mounting bodies of each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex are of materials which resiliently deform under radial pressure. For example:	

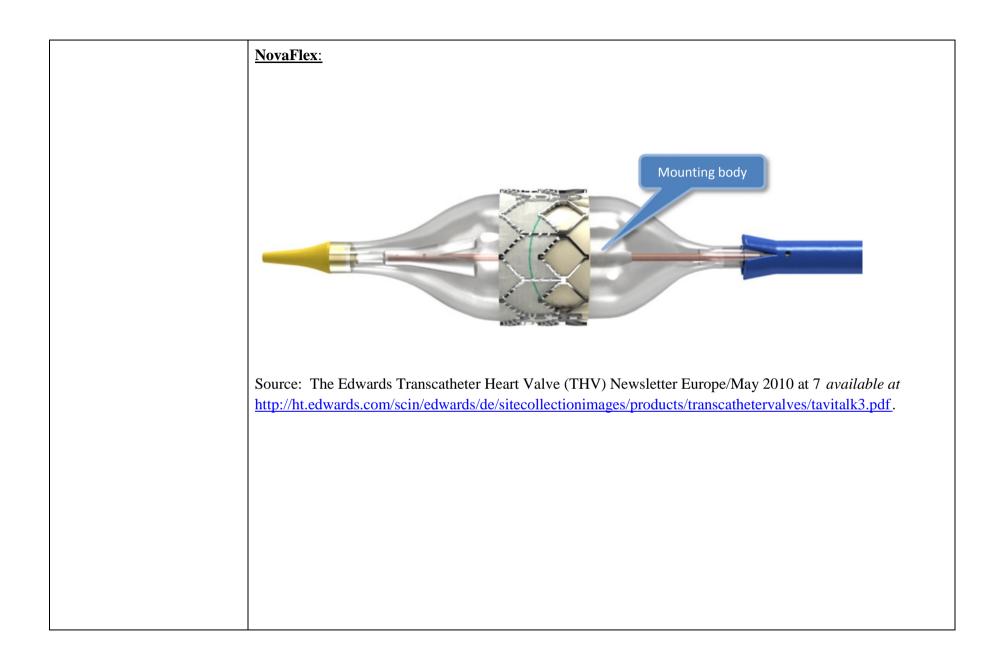
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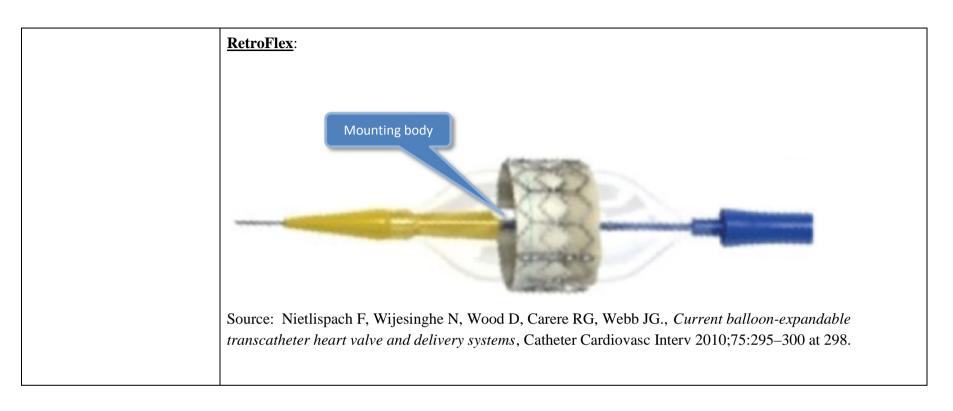


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Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting body of a material which resiliently deforms under radial pressure, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.



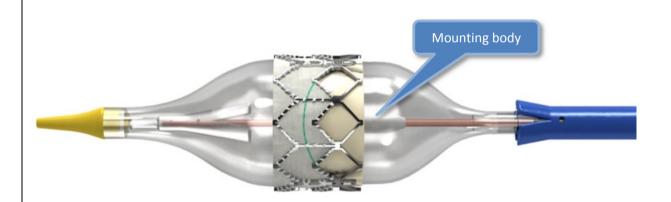


Claim 3		
Element	Accused Products	
[3 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 2	See claim chart for claim 2 above.	
[3a] wherein the material is elastomeric.	The mounting bodies of the Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex are of elastomeric material. For example:	

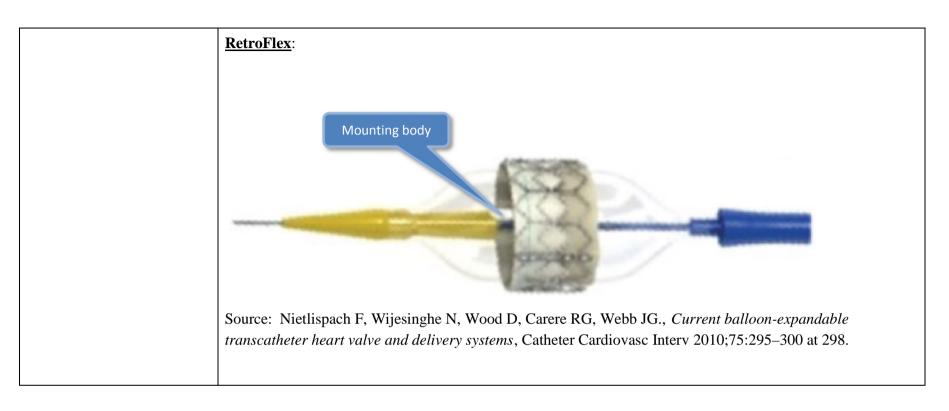
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting body of an elastomeric material, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

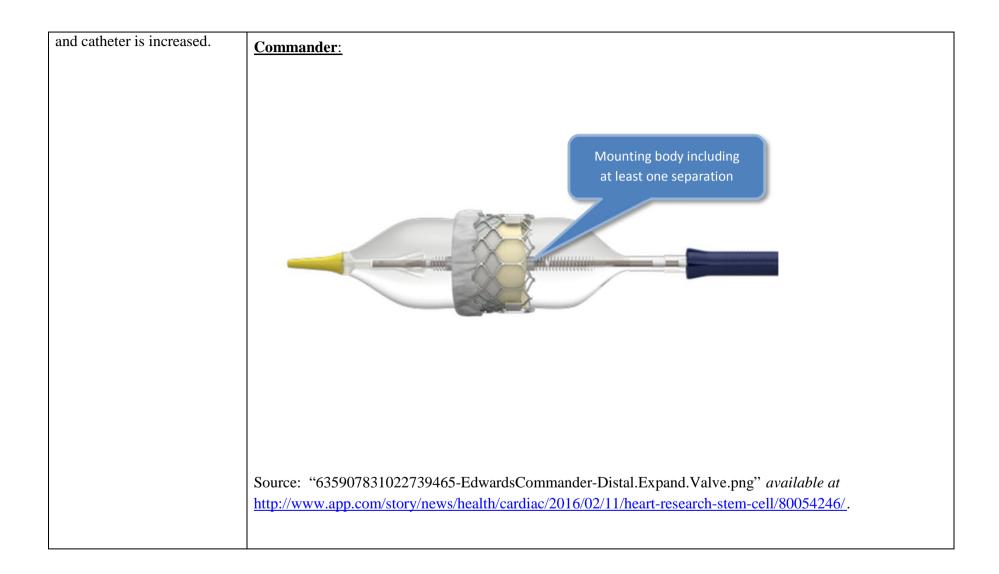
NovaFlex:



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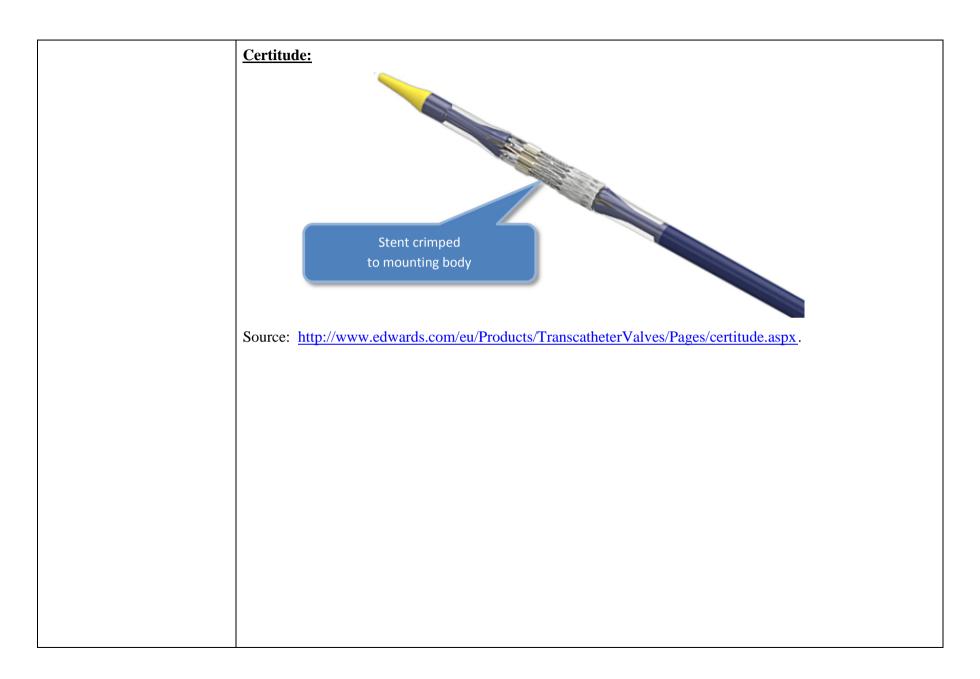


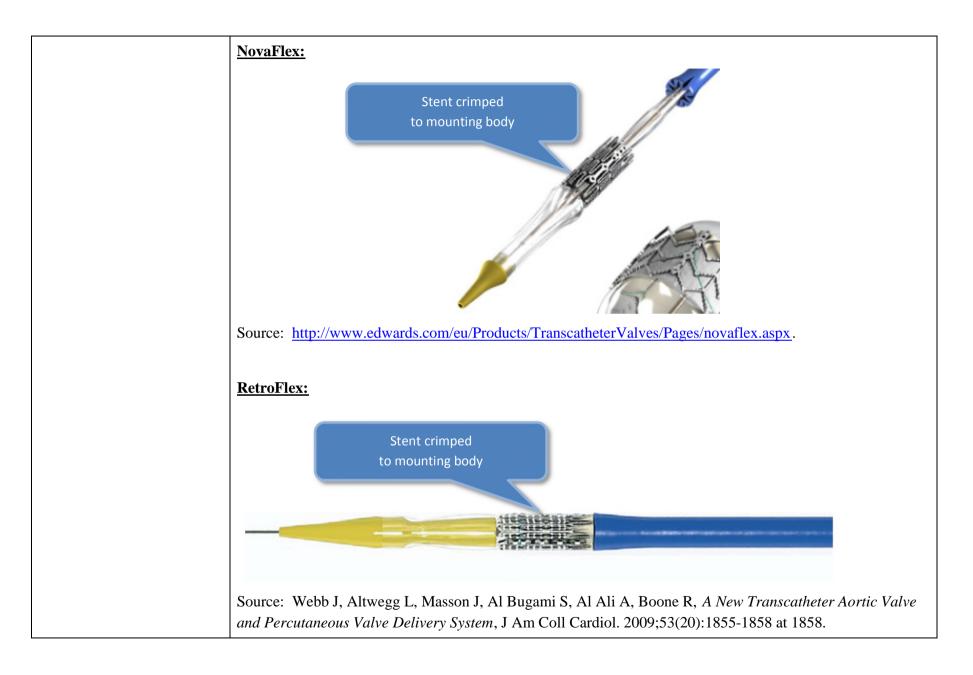
Claim 6		
Element	Accused Products	
[6 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
[6a] wherein the at least one mounting body includes at least one separation whereby the flexibility of the body	The mounting body of the Commander includes a coil having at least one separation. For example:	



	Claim 7
Element	Accused Products
[7 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 6	See claim chart for claim 6 above.
[7a] wherein the separation is in the form of a spiral.	The mounting body of the Commander includes a coil having at least one separation in the form of a spiral. For example:
	Commander:
	Mounting body including a spiral separation
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Claim 8		
Element	Accused Products	
[8 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
[8a] wherein the stent is crimped to the mounting and retaining means for delivery.	For each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex, the stent is crimped to the mounting and retaining means for delivery. For example: Commander:	
	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx .	





Claim 9	
Element	Accused Products
[9 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[9a] wherein the stent has two opposite ends, the stent delivery system further	The Certitude includes a pair of stops positioned at opposite ends of the stent and carried by the shaft inside the inflatable means. For example:
including a pair of stops, each of which is respectively positioned at the opposite ends of the stent and carried by the shaft inside the inflatable means.	Certitude: Stop
	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/certitude.aspx .

Claim 10	
Element	Accused Products
[10 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 9	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[10a] wherein the stops are conical in shape.	The stops of the Certitude are conical in shape. For example:
	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/certitude.aspx .

Claim 11	
Element	Accused Products
[11 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[11a] further including marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent.	Each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex includes marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent. For example: Commander:
	Figure 2 Edwards Commander Delivery System
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 3 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf. Before deployment, ensure that the THV is correctly positioned between the Valve Alignment Markers and the Flex Catheter tip is over the Triple Marker. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System:

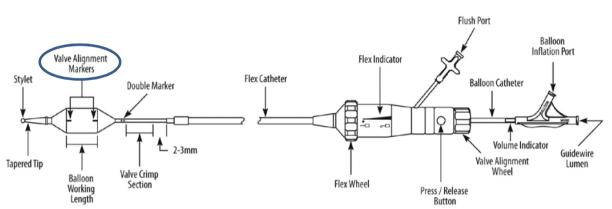
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:

Figure 2a. NovaFlex+ Delivery System

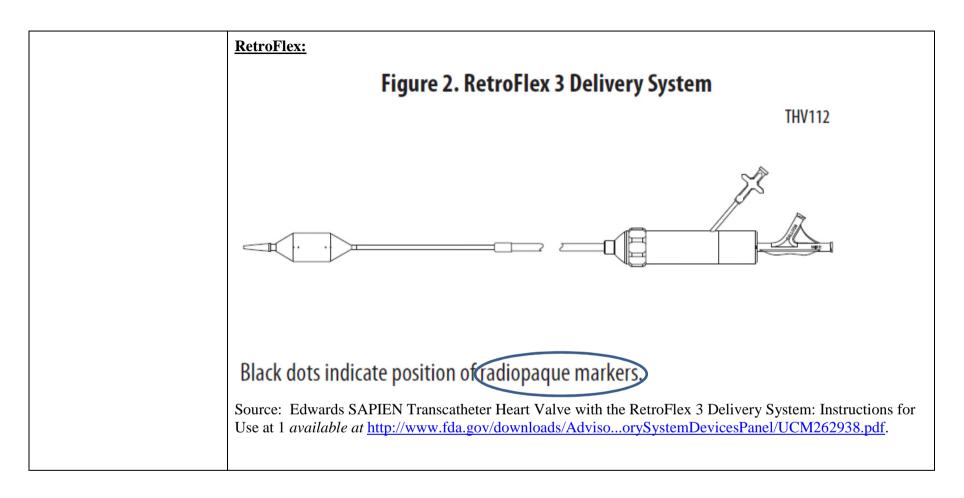
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Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.

Use the Valve Alignment Wheel to position the THV between the valve alignment markers.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 9 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.



Claim 12	
Element	Accused Products
[12 preamble] The stent delivery system of	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
claim 1	

[12a] further including a stop carried by the shaft and positioned inside the inflatable means and axially

spaced relative to the stent.

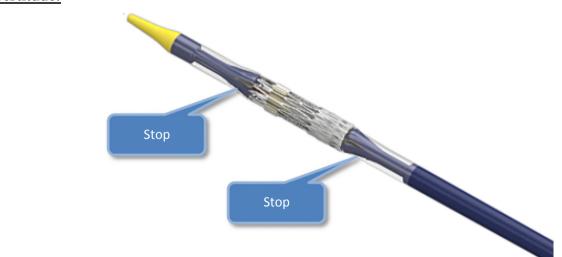
Each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex includes a stop carried by the shaft and positioned inside the inflatable means and axially spaced relative to the stent. For example:

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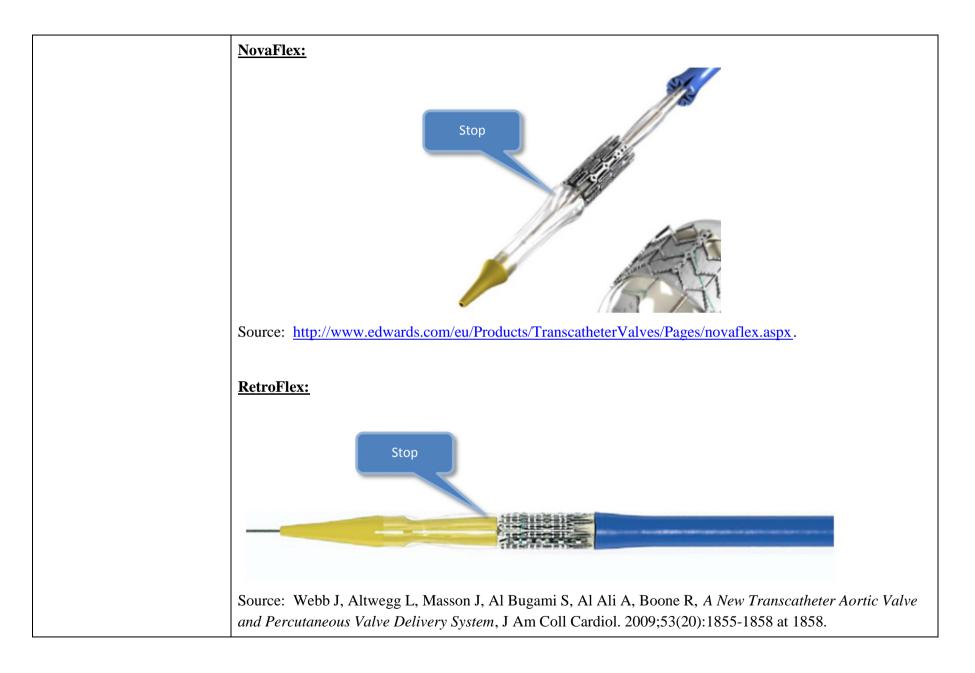


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Certitude:



Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/certitude.aspx.



Claim 19	
Element	Accused Products
[19 preamble] A balloon catheter for intraluminal delivery of a stent, the catheter comprising	See chart for claim [1 preamble] above.
[19a] a shaft having a diameter,	See chart for claim [1b] above.
[19b] a balloon associated with a distal portion of the shaft for receiving a stent,	See chart for claim [1b] above.
[19c] the stent having a first end and a second end and a contracted state and an expanded state, and means for inflating the balloon,	See chart for claim [1b] above.
[19d] the shaft including at least one mounting body radially carried on the shaft inside the balloon, the at least one mounting body being substantially the same length as the stent,	See chart for claim [1c] above. See chart for claim [1d] above.
[19e] the at least one mounting body being positioned on the shaft such that when the stent	See chart for claim [1d] above.

is loaded onto the inflatable	
means and the shaft in the	
stent's contracted state at	
least a portion of the at least	
one mounting body is under	
the stent and between the	
first and second ends of the	
stent.	

Claim 20	
Element	Accused Products
[20 preamble] The catheter of claim 19	See claim chart for claim 19 above.
[20a] wherein the mounting body is of a material which resiliently deforms under radial pressure.	See claim chart for claim 2 above.

Claim 21	
Element	Accused Products
[21 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 20 above.
[21a] wherein the material is elastomeric.	See claim chart for claim 3 above.

Claim 24	
Element	Accused Products
[24 preamble] The catheter of claim 19	See claim chart for claim 19 above.
[24a] wherein the mounting body is configured with at least one separation whereby trackability of the catheter is	See claim chart for claim 6 above.
improved.	

Claim 25	
Element	Accused Products
[25 preamble] The catheter of claim 24	See claim chart for claim 24 above.
[25a] wherein the separation is in a spiral configuration.	See claim chart for claim 7 above.

Claim 26	
Element	Accused Products
[26 preamble] The catheter of claim 19	See claim chart for claim 19 above.
[26a] further including a pair of spaced stops.	See claim chart for claim 9 above.

Claim 27	
Element	Accused Products
[27 preamble] The catheter of claim 26	See claim chart for claim 26 above.
[27a] wherein the stops are conical in shape.	See claim chart for claim 10 above.

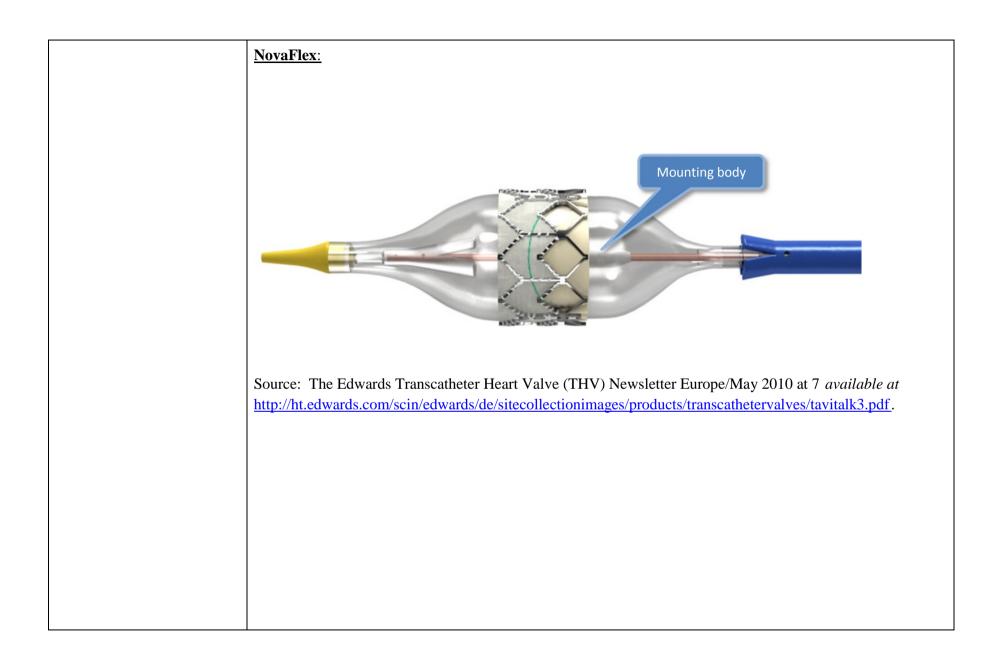
Claim 28	
Element	Accused Products
[28 preamble] The catheter of claim 19	See claim chart for claim 19 above.
[28a] further including spaced marker bands.	See claim chart for claim 11 above.

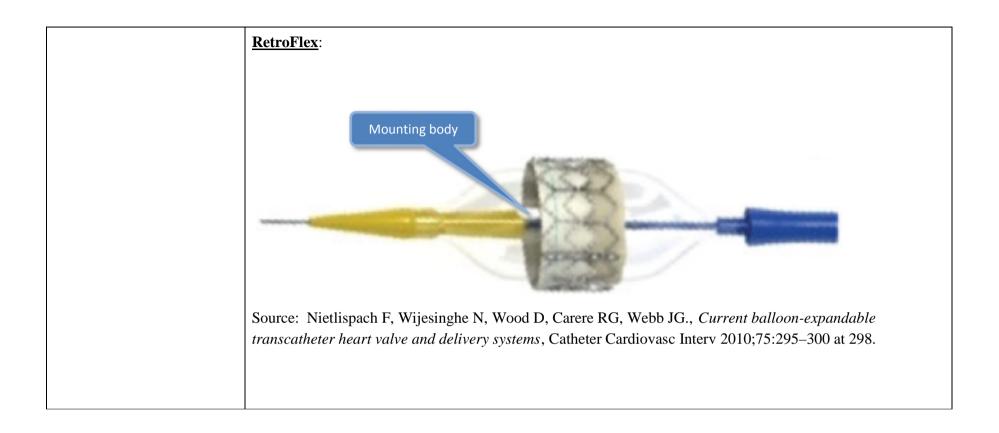
Claim 29	
Element	Accused Products
[29 preamble] The catheter of claim 19	See claim chart for claim 19 above.
[29a] wherein the mounting body is cylindrical in shape.	The mounting bodies of each of the Commander, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex are cylindrical in shape. For example:

Commander: Mounting body Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/.

Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting body that is cylindrical in shape, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.





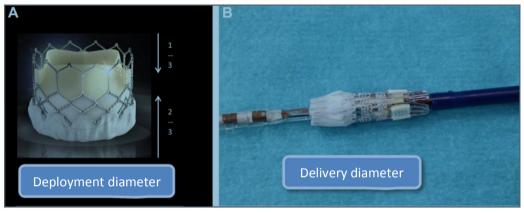
Claim 1	
Element	Accused Products
[1 preamble ¹] A system/assembly for delivery and deployment of an inflation expandable stent within a vessel, comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, on information and belief, Edwards made, used, offered to sell, and/or sold in the United States, and/or imported into the United States the balloon catheter used in its Commander Delivery System ("Commander") for delivery and deployment of its Sapien 3 product. Sapien 3 comprises an inflation expandable stent that is delivered and/or deployed within a vessel.
[1a] a catheter having proximal and distal ends;	The Commander has proximal and distal ends as further detailed below.
[1b] a stent, inflation expandable from a delivery diameter to a deployment diameter, such that the delivery diameter is reduced from the deployment diameter for conforming the stent to the catheter, such that the stent, in its delivery diameter, is coaxially mounted on the catheter near the catheter distal end;	The Commander comprises balloon-expandable stent which is coaxially mounted on the catheter near the catheter's distal end. For example: The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf . The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf .

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The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.



Source: Schymik, M.D., et. al., "How to Adapt the Implantation Technique for the New SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve Design," Journal of Interventional Cardiology, 2014.

1.0 Device Description

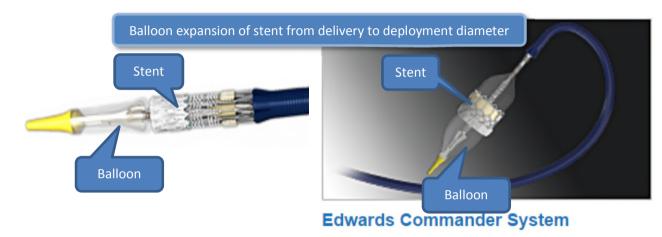
• Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve- Model 9600TFX (Figure 1)

The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.

Source: http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf, p. 2.

[1c]

an expandable inflation means coaxially mounted on the catheter within the stent, for expansion of the stent from the delivery diameter to the deployment diameter upon application of deployment pressure to the expandable inflation means; and The Commander has a balloon that functions as an expandable inflation means and is mounted coaxially on the catheter. The stent is then mounted on the catheter and balloon and is expanded by the balloon from the delivery diameter to the deployment diameter. For example:



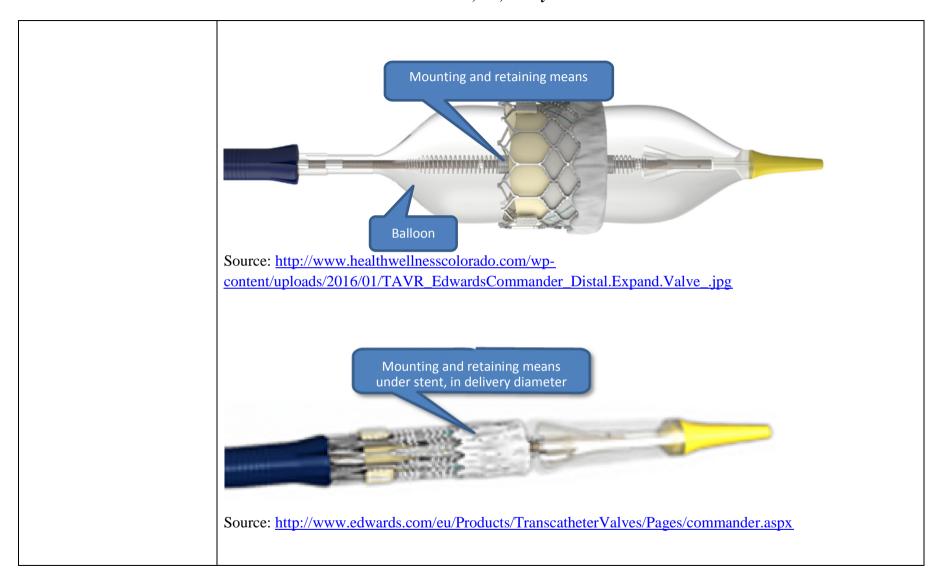
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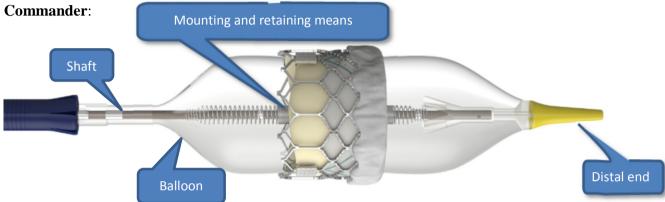
a mounting and retaining means coaxially mounted on the catheter within the expandable inflation means, the mounting and retaining means designed and adapted to provide a securement for the stent in the delivery diameter to maintain the stent in position on the catheter during delivery to the deployment site,

The Commander has a mounting and retaining means coaxially mounted on the catheter within the expandable inflation means (the balloon) that provides a securement for the stent in the delivery diameter and maintains the stent in position on the catheter during delivery to the deployment site. For example:

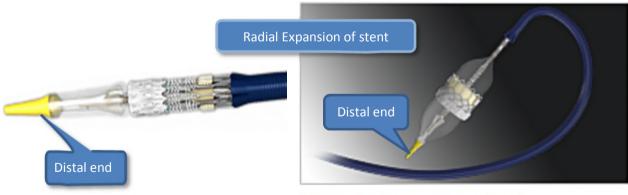


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the catheter having a shaft and the expandable inflation means being positioned at a distal part of the shaft, the mounting and retaining means being positioned for receiving the stent on the expandable inflation means for radial expansion of the stent upon expansion of the expandable inflation means, The Commander has a shaft, with the expandable inflation means (the balloon) at the distal end. The mounting and retaining means of the Commander is positioned for receiving the stent on the balloon for radial expansion of the stent upon expansion of the balloon. For example:



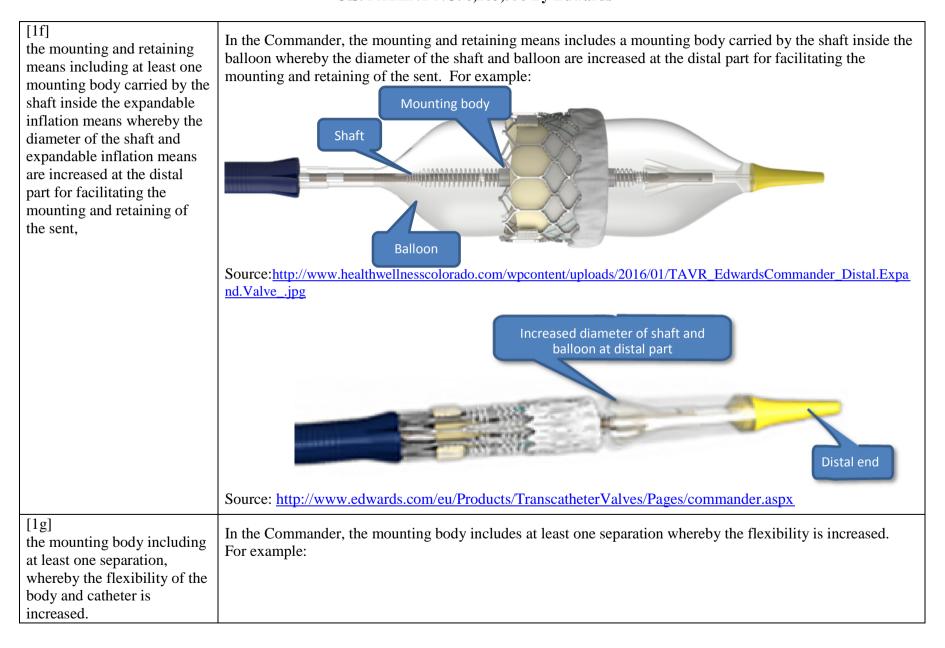
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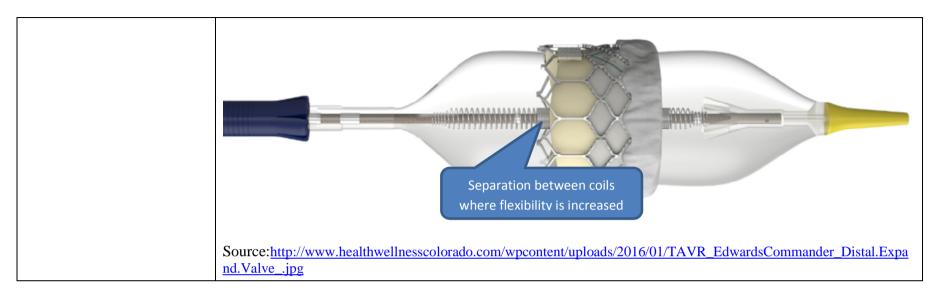


Edwards Commander System

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Claim 2	
Element	Accused Products
[2 preamble] The system of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, the Commander includes all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[2a] wherein the mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent.	The Commander's mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent. For example:
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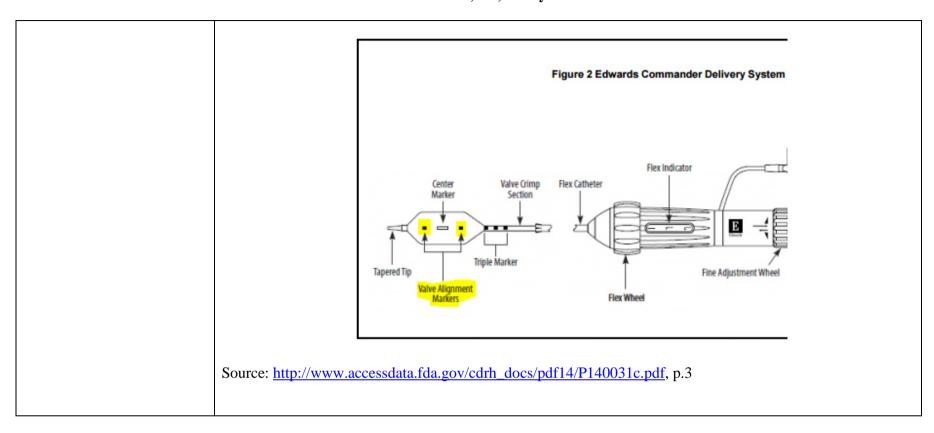
Claim 9	
Element	Accused Products
[9 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, the Commander includes all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[9a] wherein the separation is in the form of a spiral.	For example: Separation in form of a spiral Source: http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wpcontent/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg

Claim 14	
Element	Accused Products
[14 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 9:	As shown in connection with claim 9, the Commander includes all elements of claim 9. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 9, above.
[14a] including a stop positioned at the distal end of the catheter and carried by the shaft inside the inflatable means.	For example: Distal stop inside balloon
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Claim 20	
Element	Accused Products
[20 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 9:	As shown in connection with claim 9, the Commander includes all elements of claim 9. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 9, above.
[20a] wherein the separation is substantially along the entire length of the mounting body.	The separation between the coils of the Commander's mounting body extends substantially along the entire length of the mounting body. For example: Separations Separations Separations Source: http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wpcontent/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg

Claim 21	
Element	Accused Products
[21 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 9:	As shown in connection with claim 9, the Commander includes all elements of claim 9. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 9, above.
[21a] wherein the mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent.	The Commander's mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent.
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	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx

Claim 22	
Element	Accused Products
[22 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 14:	As shown in connection with claim 14, the Commander includes all elements of claim 14. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 9, above.
[22a] including marker bands positioned on the shaft proximally and distally of the stent.	The Commander has marker bands positioned on the shaft at each end of the balloon, and thus proximally and distally of the stent. For example: • Edwards Commander Delivery System (Figure 2)
Sicili.	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Source: http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf , p. 2



Claim 1	
Element	Accused Products
[1 preamble ¹] A stent delivery system for carrying and delivering a stent having a first end and a second end and a contracted state and an expanded state, the system comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, on information and belief, Edwards made, used, offered to sell, and/or sold in the United States, and/or imported into the United States each of the balloon catheters used in its Commander Delivery System ("Commander"), Ascendra Delivery System ("Ascendra"), Certitude Delivery System ("Certitude"), NovaFlex Delivery System ("NovaFlex"), and RetroFlex Delivery System ("RetroFlex") for delivery and deployment of its Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and/or Sapien products. For example: Commander: The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the
	balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

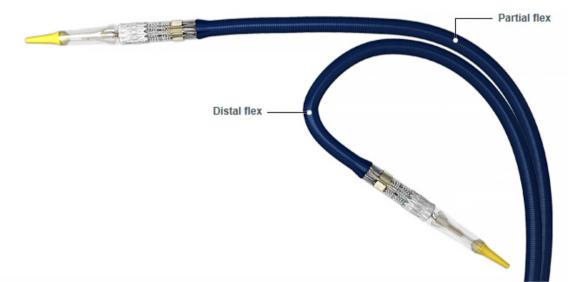
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The Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien, and their corresponding delivery systems, are collectively referred to herein as the "Sapien products." On information and belief, unless otherwise noted, any differences between various versions or models of the delivery systems identified herein or between the Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien are immaterial to the assertions set forth herein.

Edwards Commander Delivery System

Dual articulation for coaxiality even in challenging anatomies

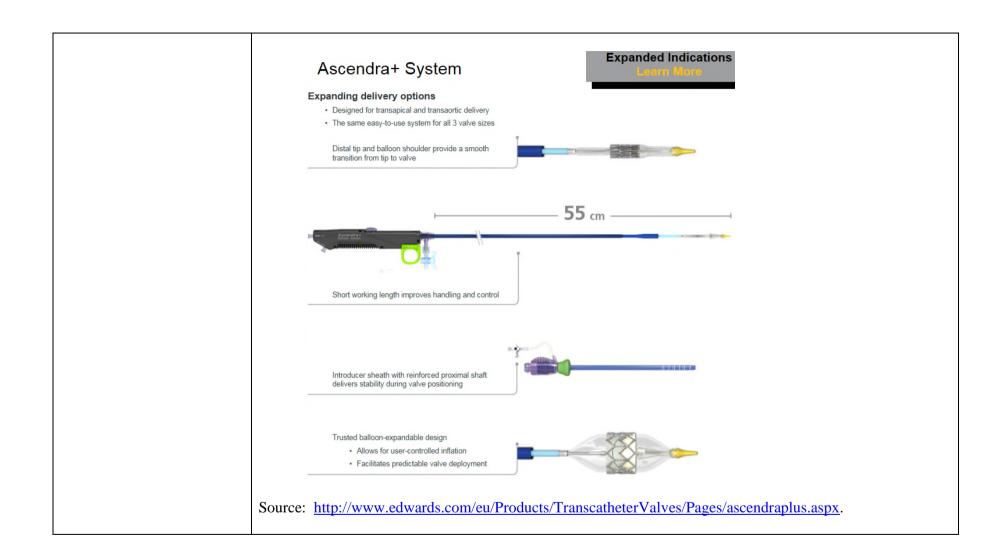


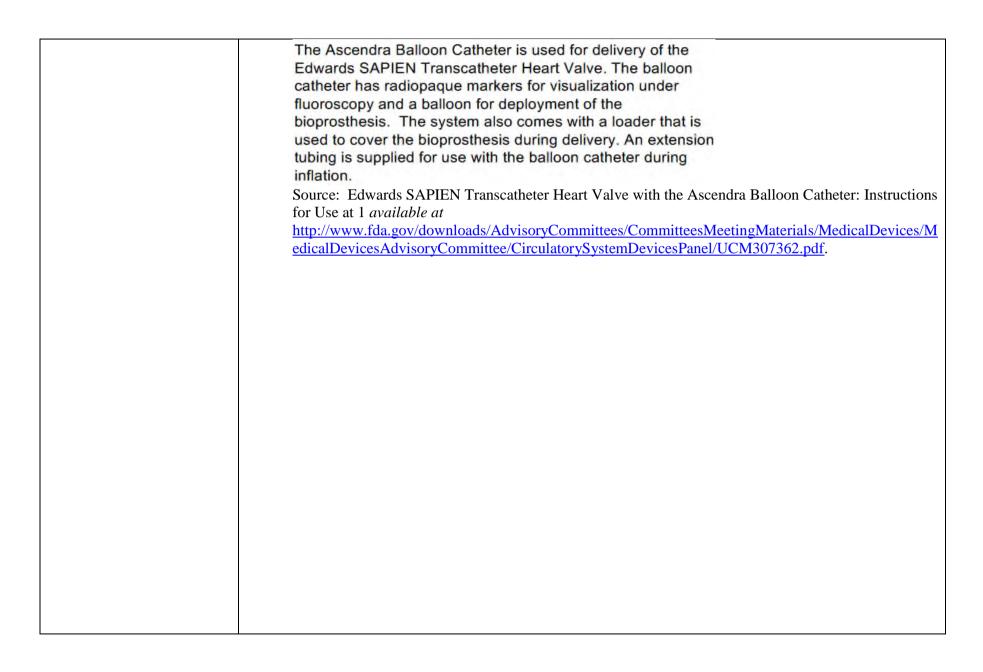
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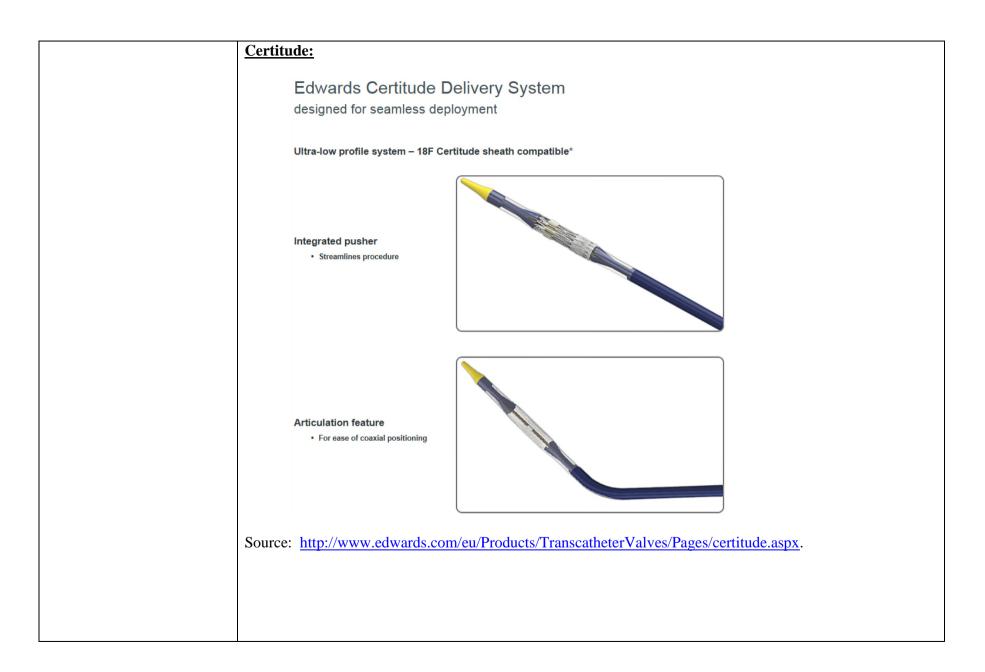
Ascendra:

The Ascendra+ delivery system (useable length 55 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve. The delivery system has radiopaque markers for visualization under fluoroscopy and a balloon for deployment of the THV. A balloon inflation hub, a guidewire hub, and a pusher retraction feature are housed in the handle assembly. The handle is labeled "BALLOON" at the balloon inflation hub and "WIRE 0.035" at the guidewire hub. The system also comes with a loader that is used to cover the THV during delivery. An extension tube is supplied for use with the delivery system during inflation.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf.



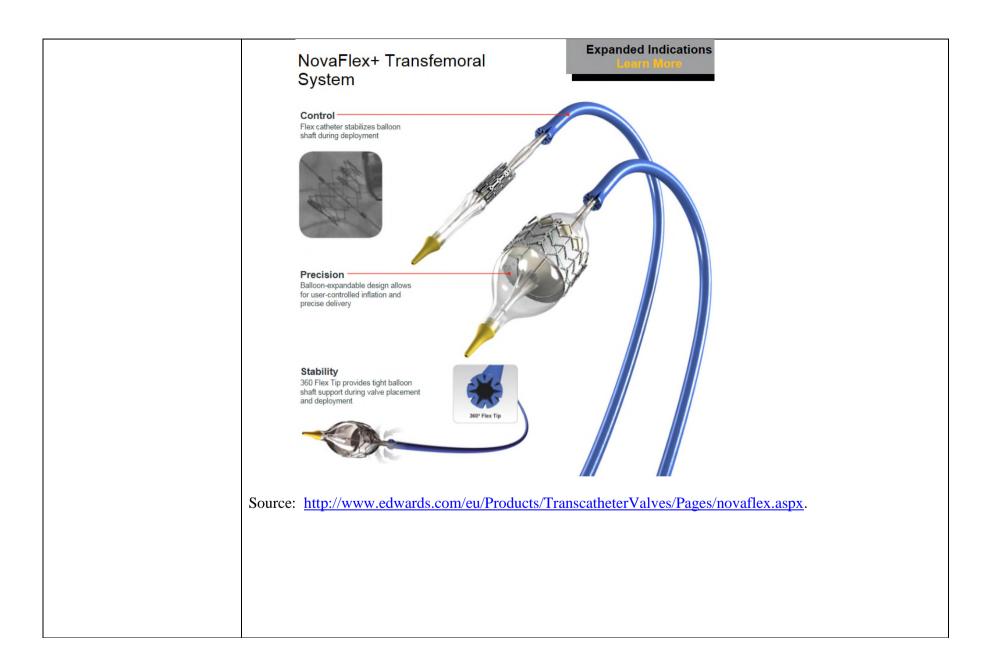




NovaFlex:

The NovaFlex+ delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN XT THV. The delivery system includes a flex wheel for articulation of the flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate advancing to the RVOT, and a balloon catheter for deployment of the THV. The handle also contains a flex indicator depicting articulation of the flex catheter, a valve alignment wheel for fine adjustment of the THV during valve alignment, a button that enables movement between handle positions, and a flush port to flush the flex catheter. The balloon catheter has radiopaque markers defining the valve alignment position and the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque double marker proximal to the balloon indicates flex catheter position during deployment.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.



RetroFlex:

The RetroFlex 3 delivery system includes a rotating wheel within the handle for articulation of flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate crossing the native valve, a balloon for deployment of the bioprosthesis, and radiopaque markers as indicated in Figure 2.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

Transcatheter Heart Valves

Edwards SAPIEN Pulmonic Models

Product Description	23 mm	26 mm
RetroFlex 3 Kit	9100RF323	9100RF326
Edwards SAPIEN Valve	9000TFX23	9000TFX26
RetroFlex 3 Delivery System	9120FS23	9120FS26
RetroFlex 3 Introducer Sheath Set	9120S23	9120S26
RetroFlex Balloon Catheter	9120BC20	9120BC23
RetroFlex Dilator Kit	9100DKS7	9100DKS7
Edwards Crimper	9100CR23	9100CR26
Atrion QL2530 Inflation Device	96402	96402



Edwards SAPIEN Valve



RetroFlex 3 Delivery System

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Each of the Sapien products comprises a radially expandable stent. For example:

The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.

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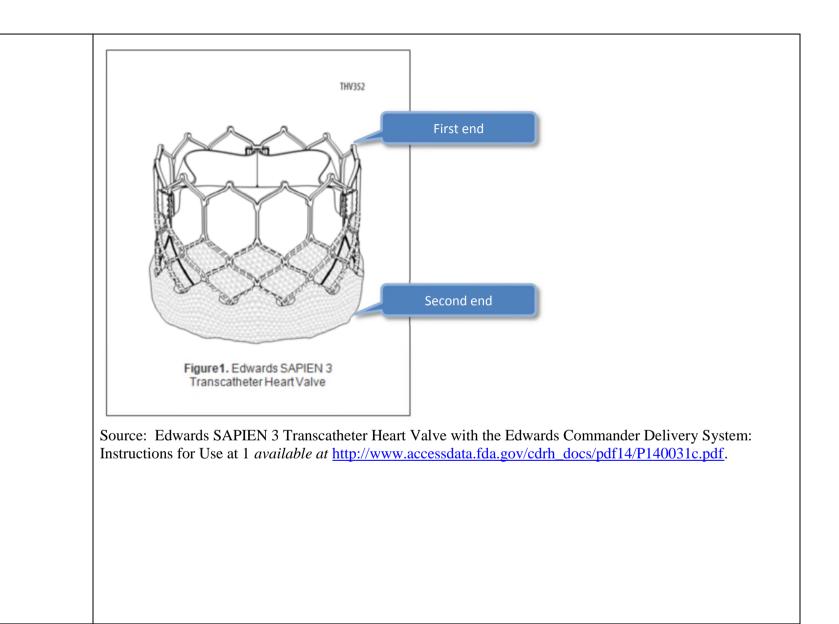
The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobaltchromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.

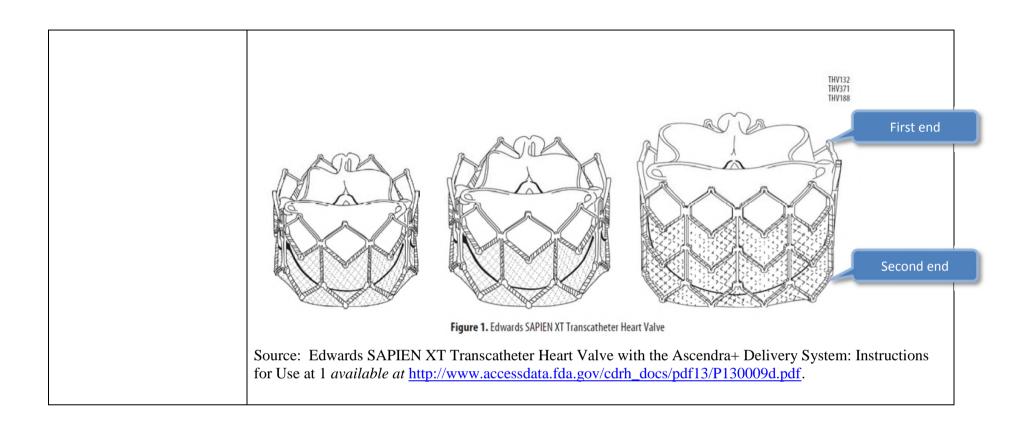
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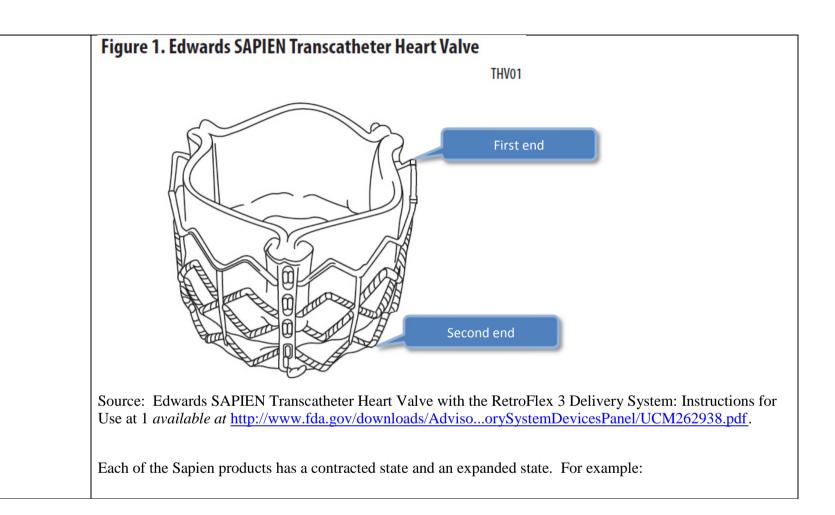
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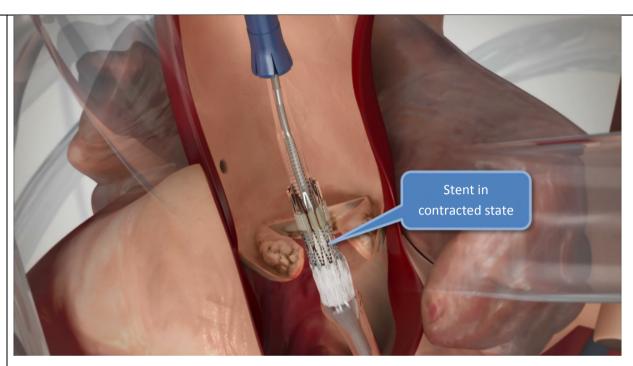
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Each of the Sapien products has a generally cylindrical configuration with a first end and a second end.

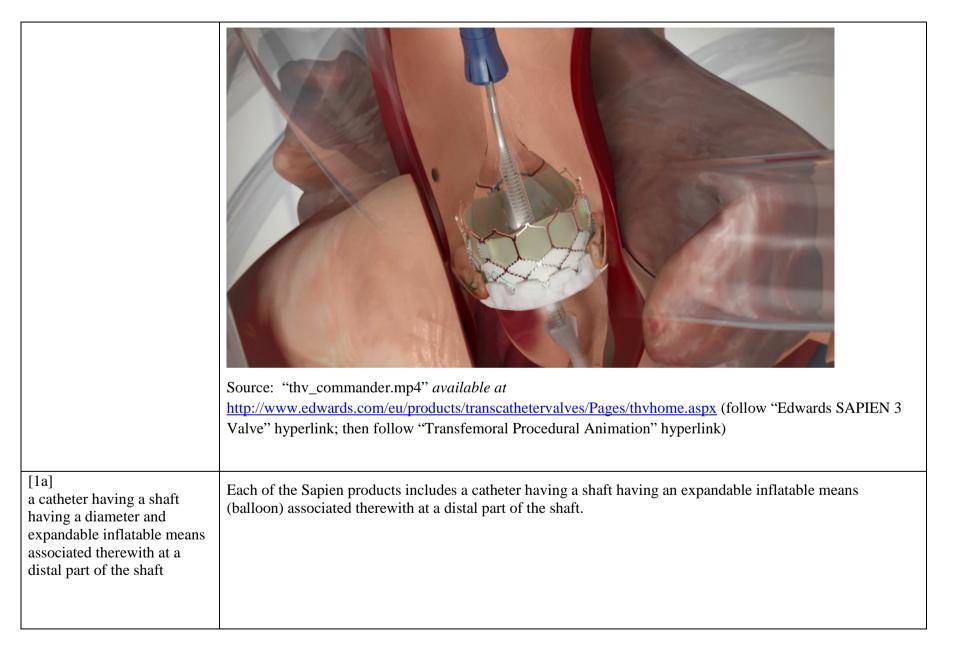


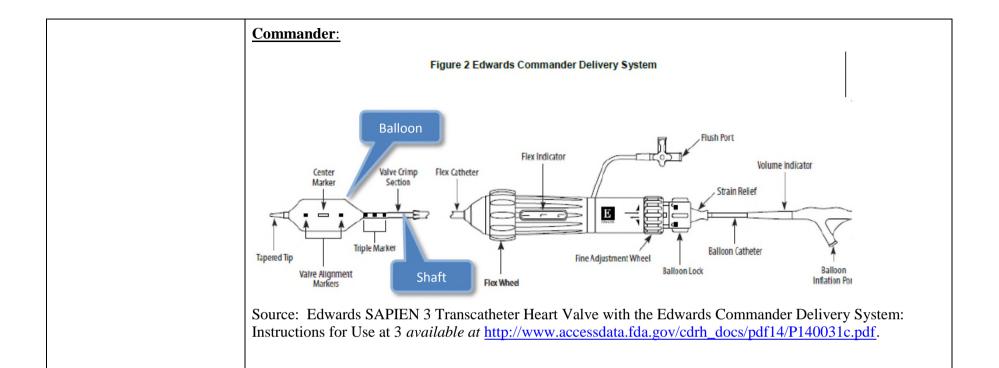


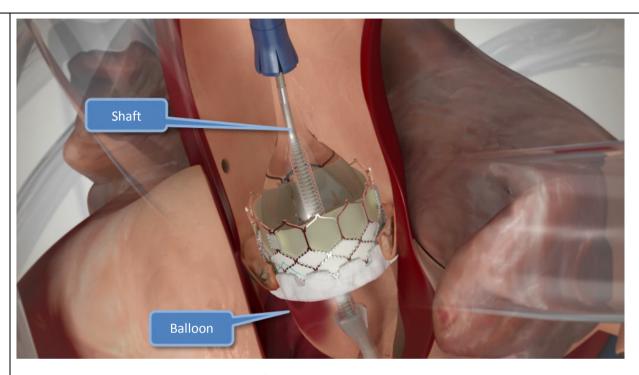




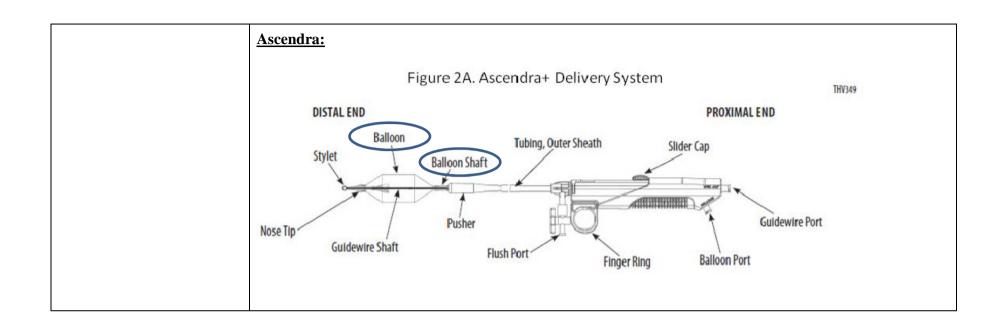
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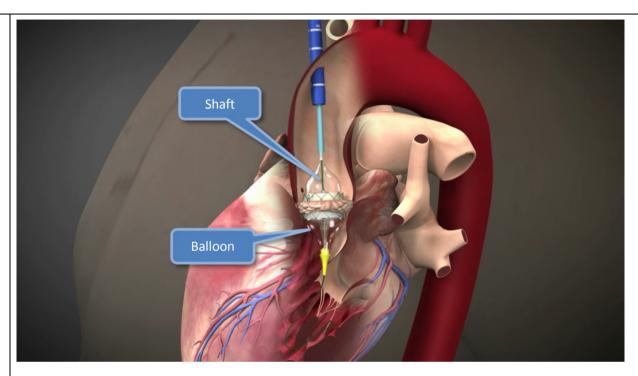






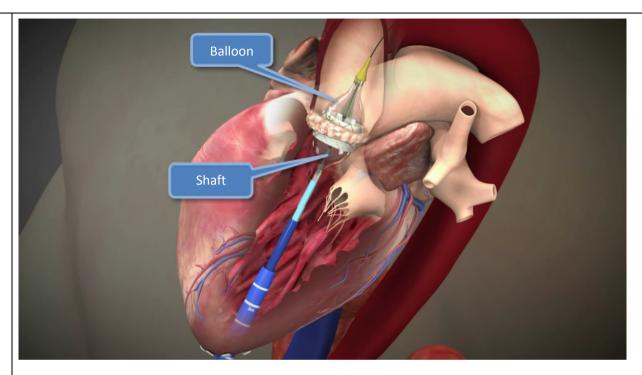
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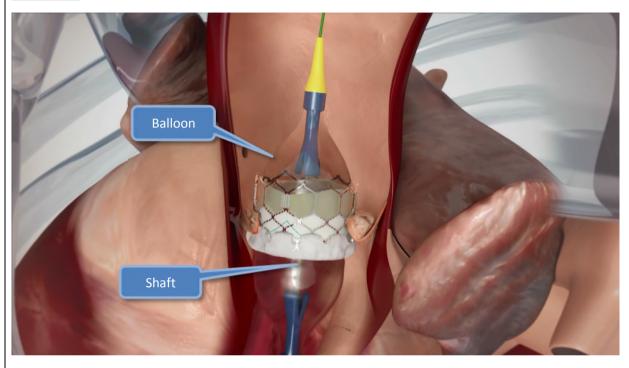
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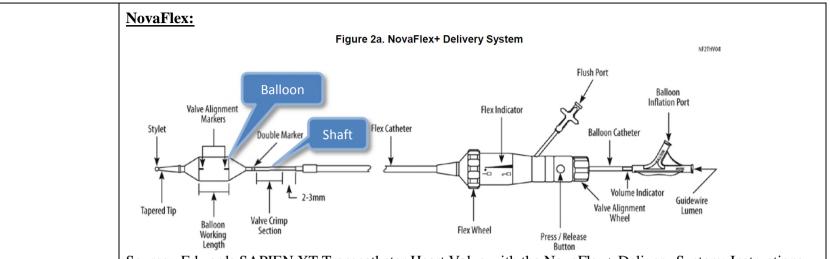
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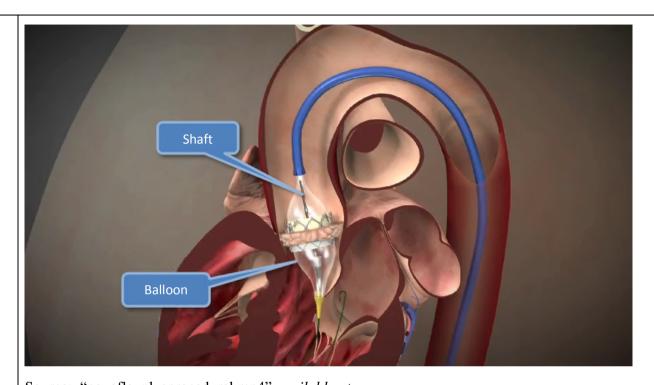


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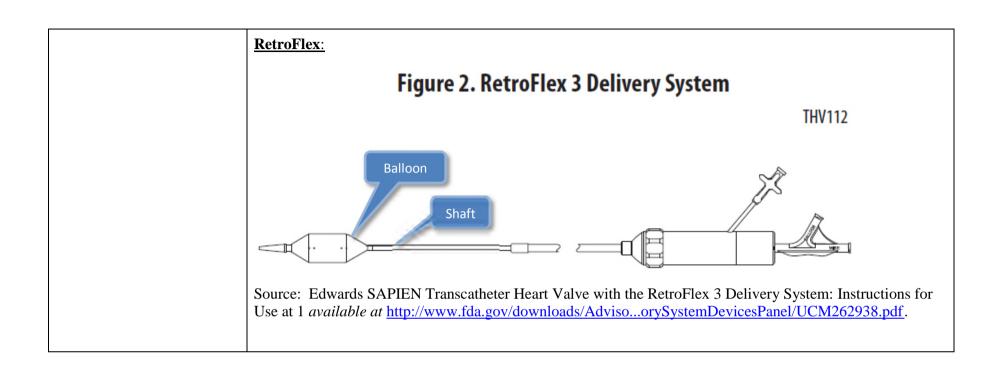
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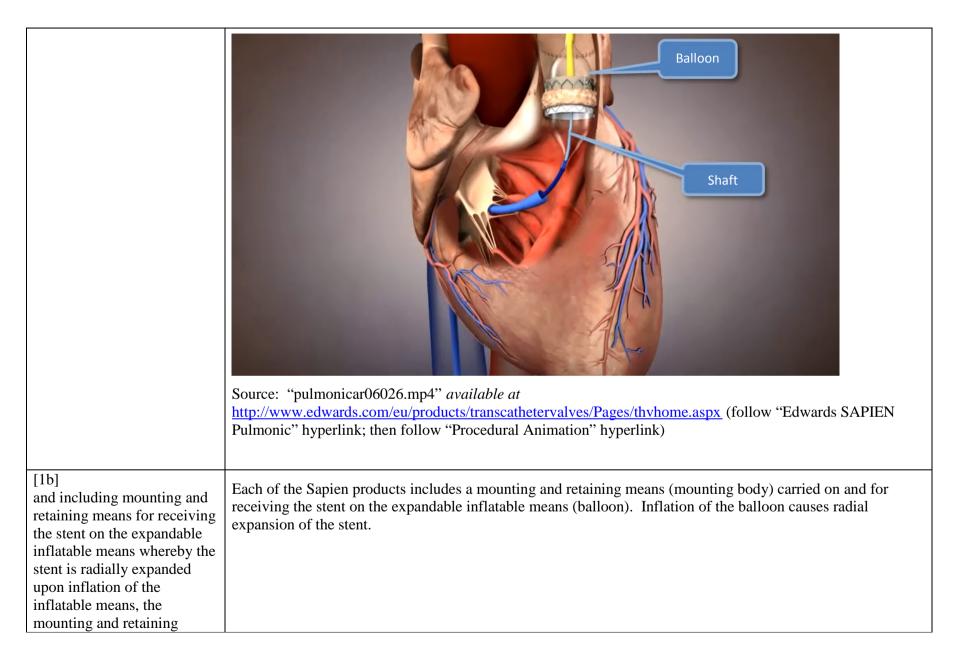


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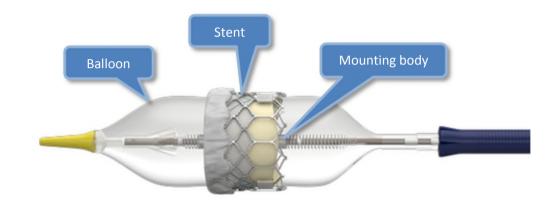
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means including at least one mounting body, the at least one mounting body having a length and an outer surface diameter and being carried on and surrounding the shaft inside the inflatable means

Commander:



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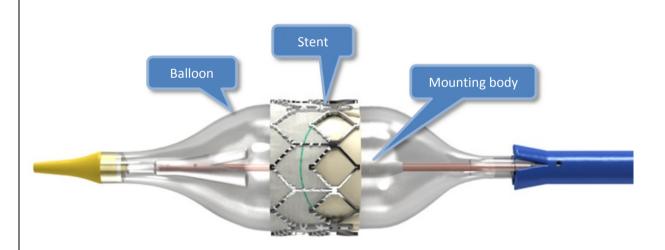
Ascendra:

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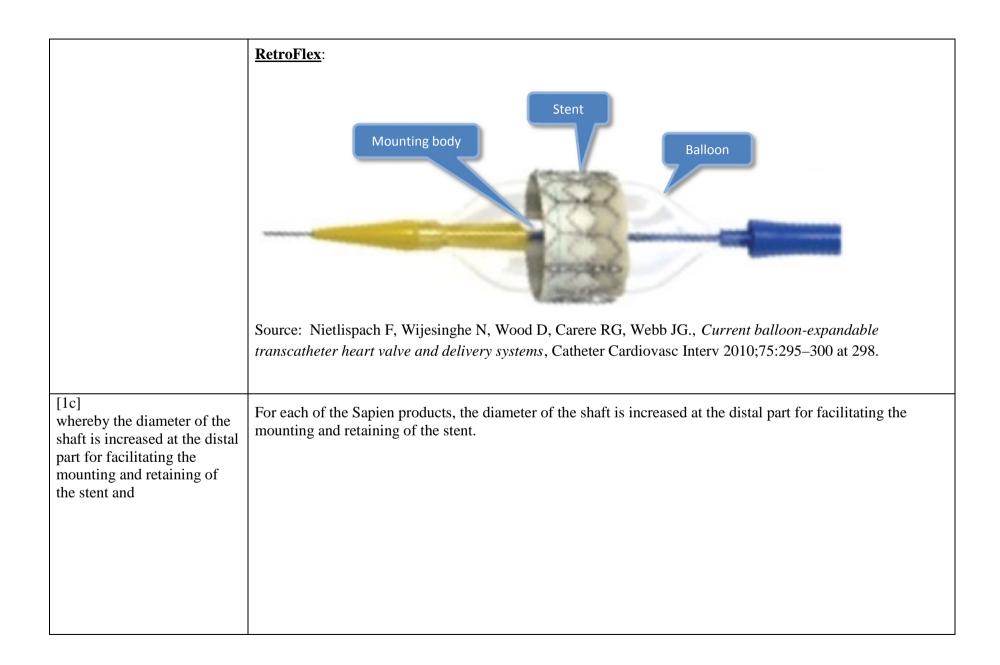
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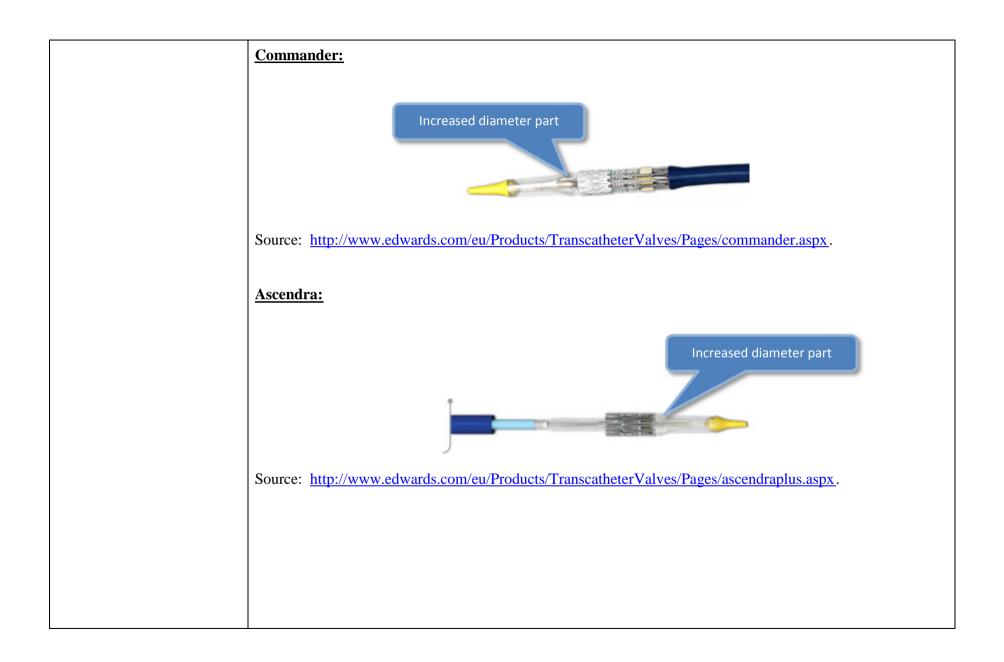
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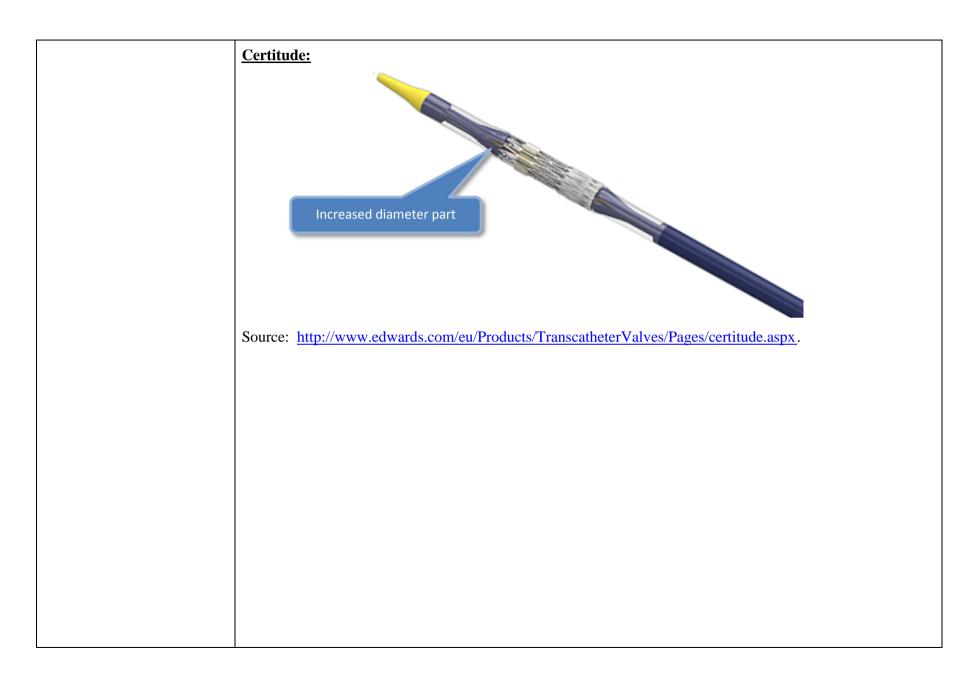
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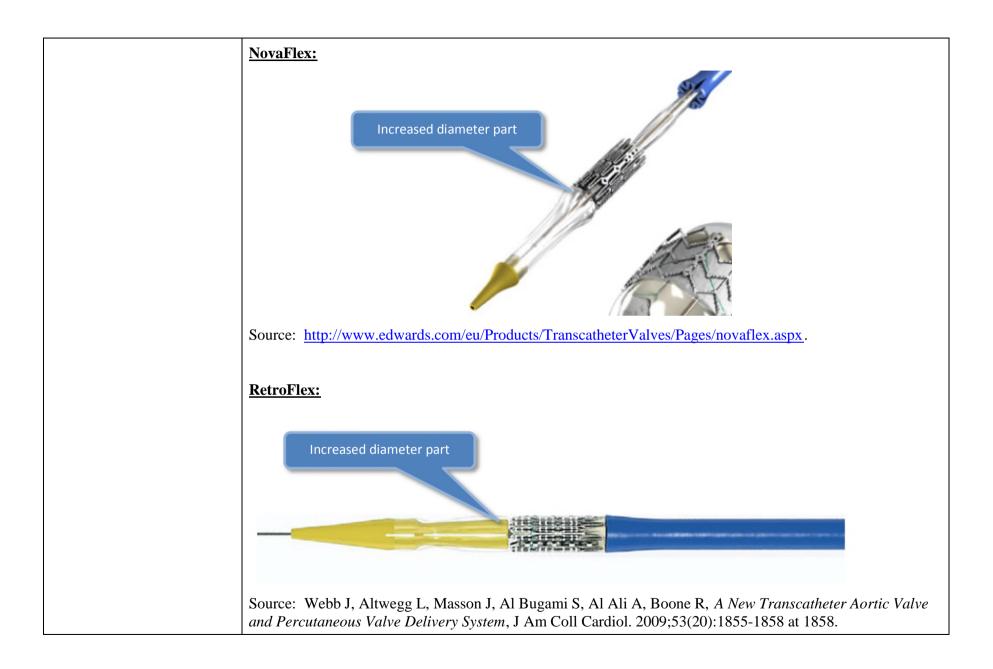


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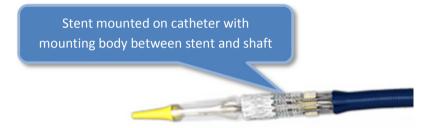




wherein, when the stent is mounted on the catheter, the at least one mounting body is between the stent and the shaft, the outer surface diameter of the at least one mounting body being substantially constant along its length.

For each of the Sapien products, when the stent is mounted on the catheter, the at least one mounting body is between the stent and the shaft, the outer surface diameter of the at least one mounting body being substantially constant along its length. For example:

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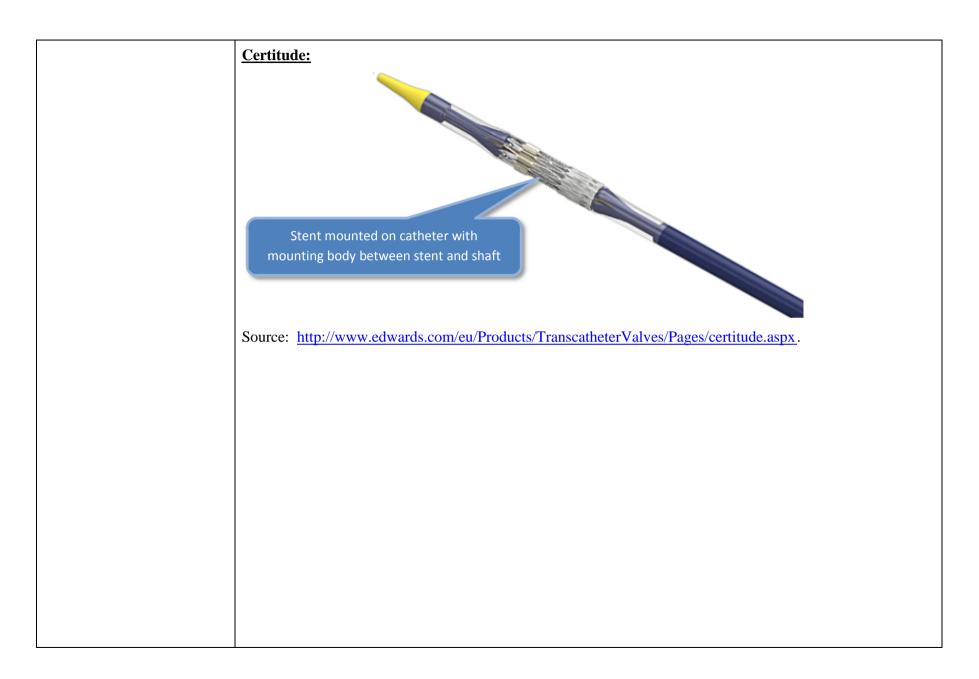


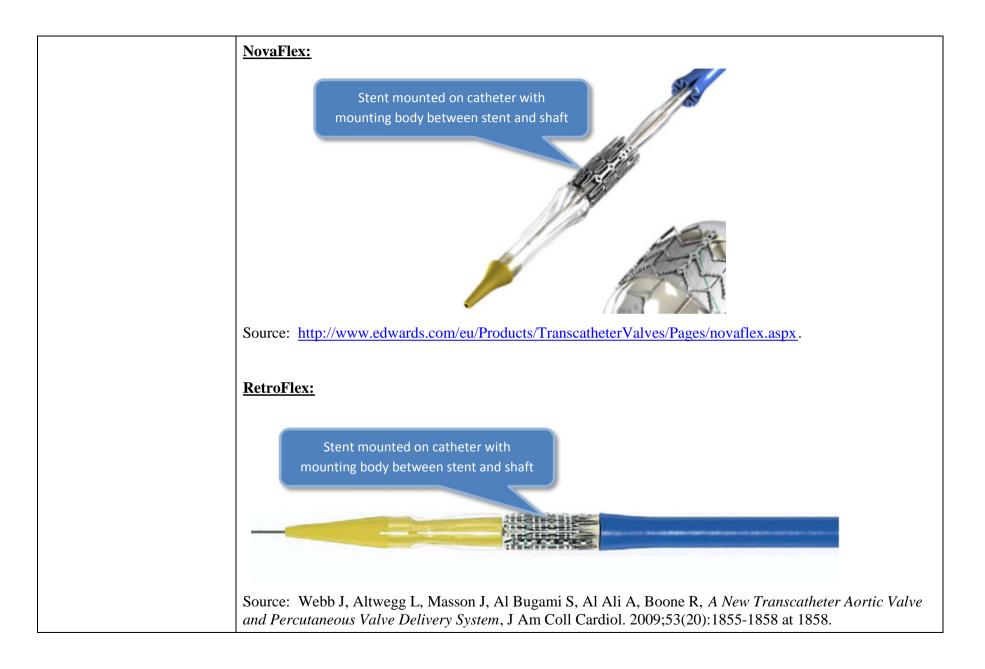
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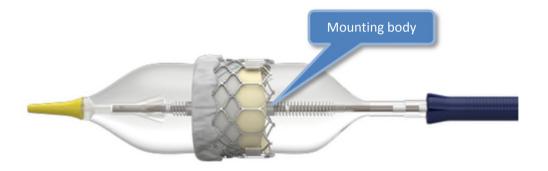
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Claim 2		
Accused Products		
See claim chart for claim 1 above.		
The mounting bodies of each of the Sapien products are of materials which resiliently deform under radial pressure. For example:		

Commander:



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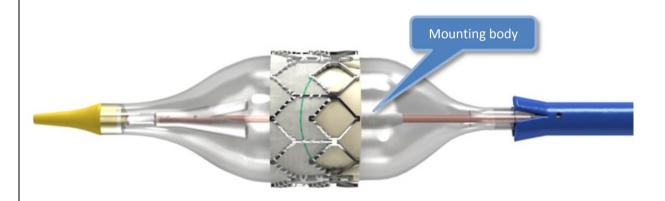
Ascendra:

On information and belief, the Ascendra has a mounting body of a material which resiliently deforms under radial pressure, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

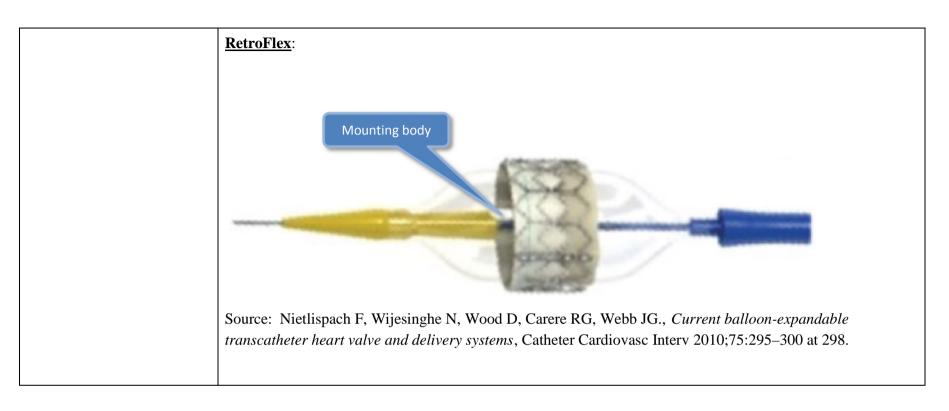
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting body of a material which resiliently deforms under radial pressure, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:



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Claim 3		
Element	Accused Products	
[3 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 2	See claim chart for claim 2 above.	
[3a] wherein the material is elastomeric.	The mounting bodies of the Ascendra, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex are of elastomeric material.	

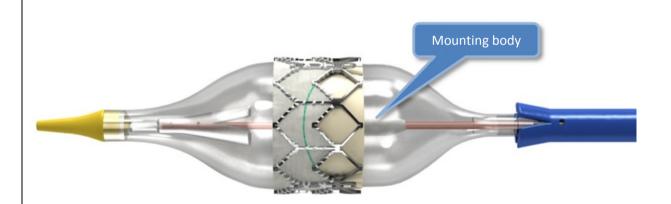
Ascendra:

On information and belief, the Ascendra has a mounting body of an elastomeric material, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

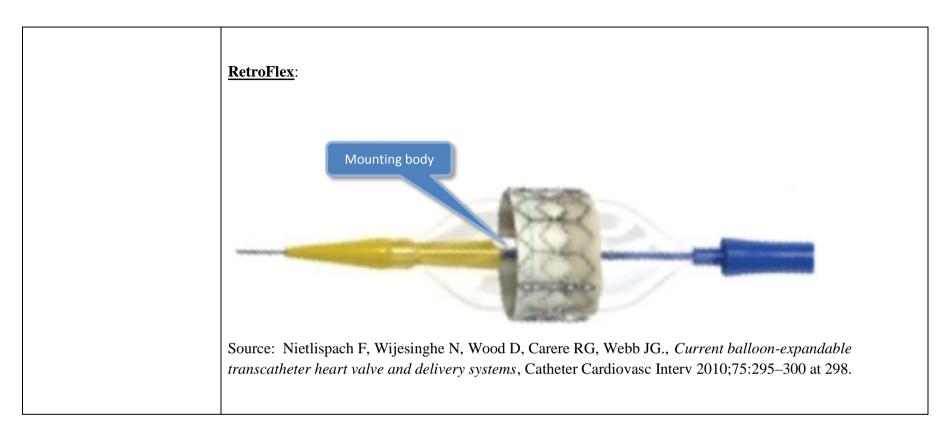
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting body of an elastomeric material, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:



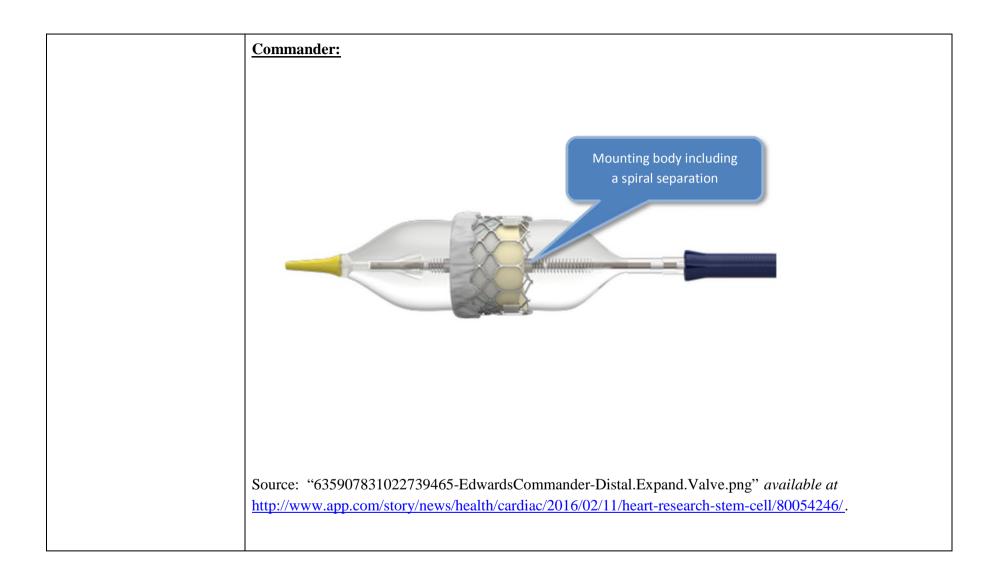
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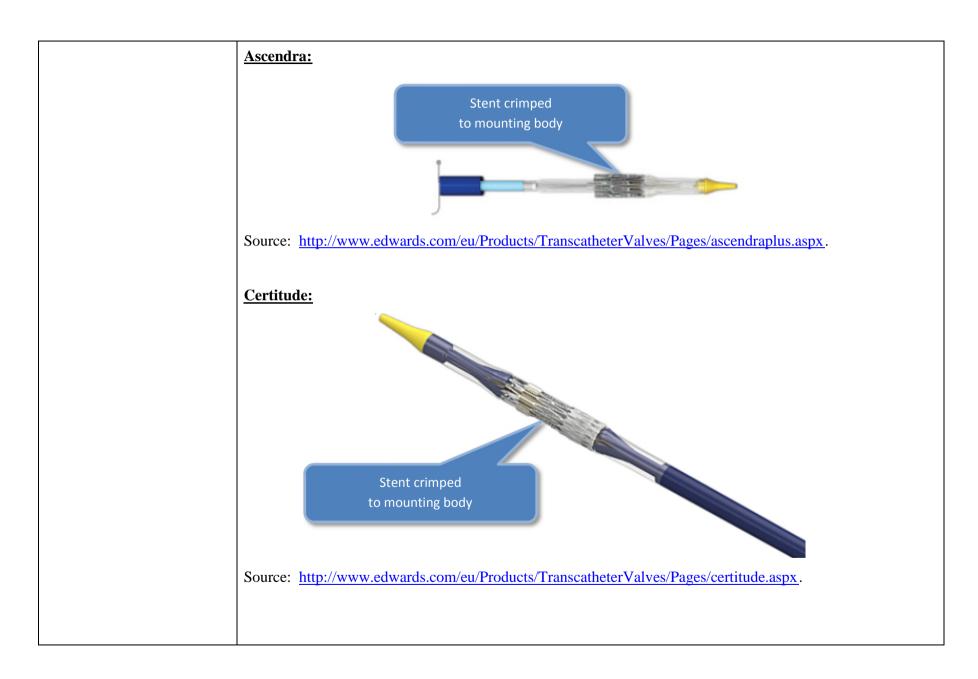
Claim 6		
Element	Accused Products	
[6 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
[6a] wherein the at least one mounting body includes at	The mounting body of the Commander includes a coil having at least one separation. For example:	

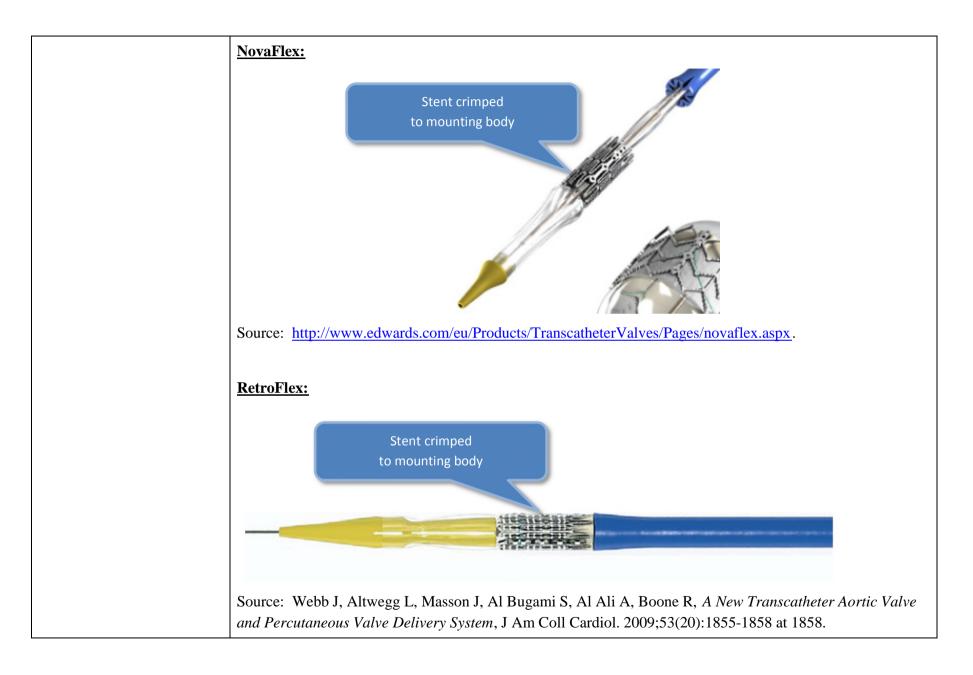
least one separation whereby **Commander:** the flexibility of the body and catheter is increased. Mounting body including at least one separation Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/.

Claim 7		
Element	Accused Products	
[7 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 6	See claim chart for claim 6 above.	
[7a] wherein the separation is in the form of a spiral.	The mounting body of the Commander includes a coil having at least one separation in the form of a spiral. For example:	



Claim 8	
Element	Accused Products
[8 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[8a] wherein the stent is crimped to the mounting and retaining	For each of the Sapien products, the stent is crimped to the mounting and retaining means for delivery. Commander:
means for delivery.	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx .





	Claim 9	
Element	Accused Products	
[9 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
[9a] wherein the stent has two opposite ends, the stent	The Certitude includes a pair of stops positioned at opposite ends of the stent and carried by the shaft inside the inflatable means. For example:	
delivery system further including a pair of stops, each of which is respectively positioned at the opposite ends of the stent and carried by the shaft inside the inflatable means.	Certitude: Stop	
	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/certitude.aspx .	

Claim 10	
Element	Accused Products
[10 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 9	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[10a] wherein the stops are conical in shape.	The stops of the Certitude are conical in shape. For example:
	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/certitude.aspx .

	Claim 11
Element	Accused Products
[11 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[11a] further including marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent.	Each of the Sapien products includes marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent. For example: Commander:
	Figure 2 Edwards Commander Delivery System
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 3 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh.docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf . Before deployment, ensure that the THV is correctly positioned between the Valve Alignment Markers and the Flex Catheter tip is over the Triple Marker.
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 11 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

Ascendra:

Remove the THV from the crimper and place it on the delivery system with the inflow (fabric cuff end) of the THV proximally towards the pusher if accessing antegrade. If accessing retrograde, place the THV on the delivery system with the inflow (fabric cuff end) of the THV towards the distal end away from the pusher. Ensure that the THV is aligned between the radiopaque markers.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 8 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf.

Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:

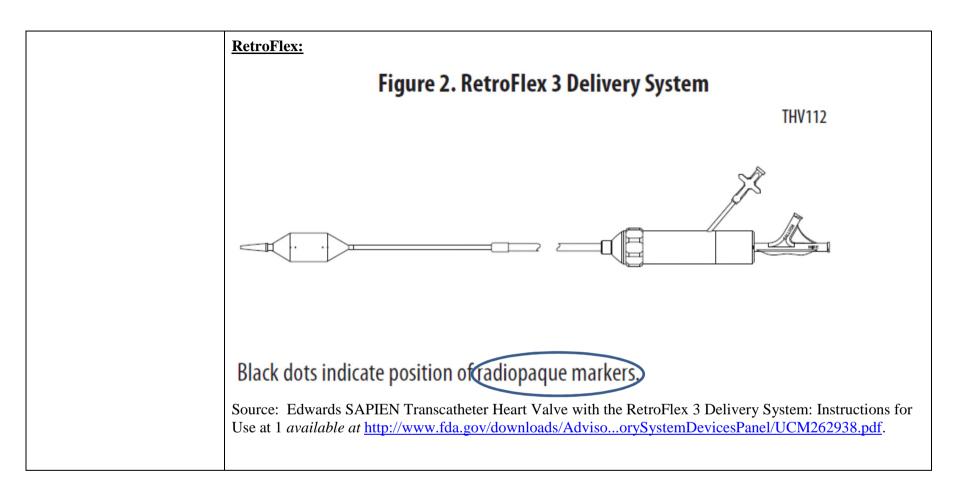
Figure 2a. NovaFlex+ Delivery System

NF2THV04 Flush Port Balloon Inflation Port Valve Alignment Flex Indicator Markers Flex Catheter Balloon Catheter Double Marker **1** 2-3mm Guidewire Tapered Tip Lumen Wheel Valve Crimp Flex Wheel Section Working Press / Release

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.

Use the Valve Alignment Wheel to position the THV between the valve alignment markers.

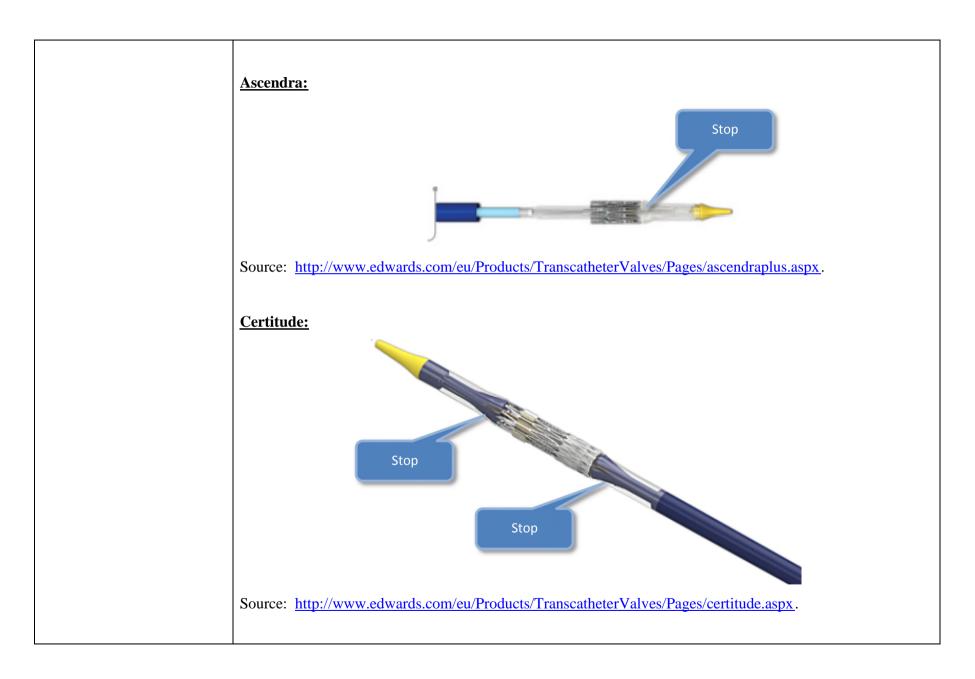
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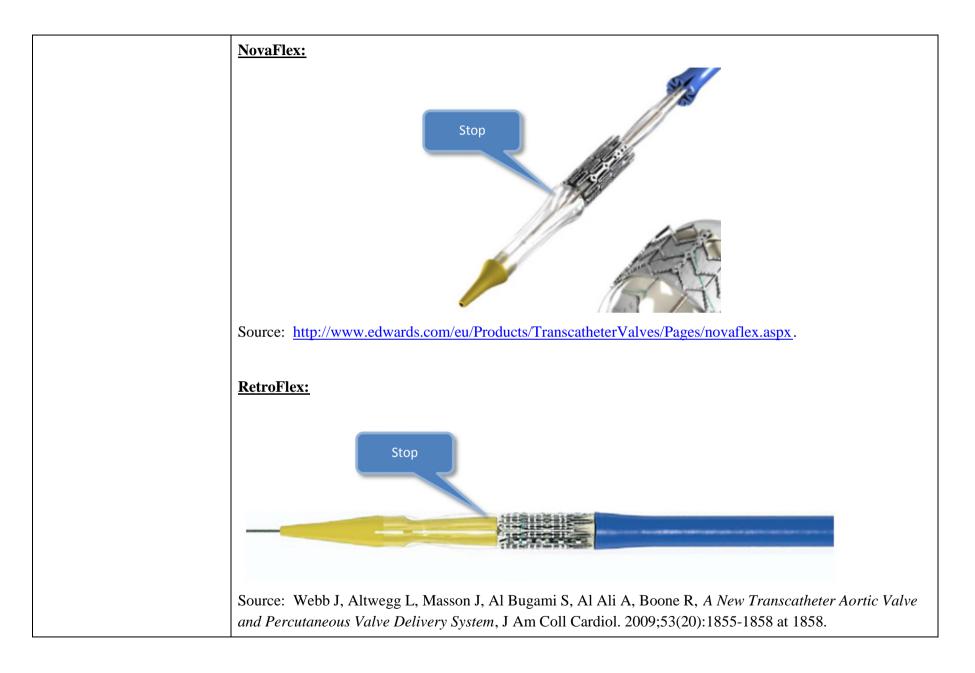


Claim 12	
Element	Accused Products
[12 preamble] The stent delivery system of	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
claim 1	

[12a] Wherein the inflatable means	See claim chart for claim [1a] above.
comprises a balloon.	

Claim 13	
Element	Accused Products
[13 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 1	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[13a] further including a stop carried by the shaft and	Each of the Sapien products includes a stop carried by the shaft and positioned inside the inflatable means and axially spaced relative to the stent. For example:
positioned inside the inflatable means and axially spaced relative to the stent.	Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx .





Claim 20	
Element	Accused Products
[20 preamble] A balloon catheter for intraluminal delivery of a stent, the catheter comprising	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.
[20a] a shaft having a diameter, a balloon associated with a distal portion of the shaft for receiving a stent,	See claim chart for claim [1a] above.
[20b] the stent having a first end and a second end and a contracted state and an expanded state, and means for inflating the balloon,	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.
[20c] the shaft including at least one mounting body radially carried on the shaft inside the balloon,	See claim chart for claim [1b] above.
[20d] whereby the diameter of the shaft is increased inside the balloon to facilitate mounting and retaining of a stent to the catheter over the balloon,	See claim chart for claim [1c] above.

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[20e]	See claim chart for claim [1d] above.
the at least one mounting	See claim chart for claim [14] above.
body being positioned on the	
shaft such that when the stent	
is loaded onto the inflatable	
means and the shaft in the	
stent's contracted state at	
least a portion of the at least	
one mounting body is under	
the stent and between the	
first and second ends of the	
stent, the at least one	
mounting body having a	
length and an outer surface	
diameter, wherein the outer	
surface diameter is	
substantially constant along	
the length.	

Claim 21	
Element	Accused Products
[21 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 20 above.
[21a] wherein the mounting body is of a material which resiliently deforms under radial pressure.	See claim chart for claim 2 above.

Claim 22	
Element	Accused Products
[22 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 21 above.
[22a] wherein the material is elastomeric.	See claim chart for claim 3 above.

Claim 25	
Element	Accused Products
[25 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 20 above.
[25a] wherein the mounting body	See claim chart for claim 6 above.
comprises at least one separation whereby	
trackability of the catheter is improved.	

Claim 26			
Element Accused Products			
[26 preamble] The catheter of claim 25	See claim chart for claim 25 above.		
[26a] wherein the separation is in a spiral configuration.	See claim chart for claim 7 above.		

Claim 27			
Element Accused Products			
[27 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 20 above.		
[27a] further including a pair of spaced stops.	See claim chart for claim 9 above.		

Claim 28			
Element Accused Products			
[28 preamble] The catheter of claim 27	See claim chart for claim 27 above.		
[28a] wherein the stops are conical in shape.	See claim chart for claim 10 above.		

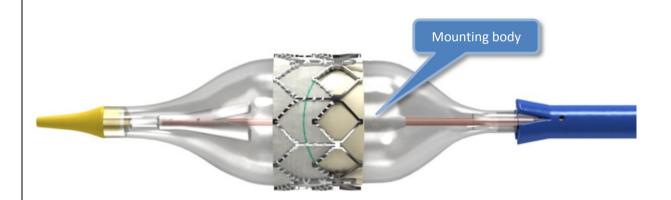
Claim 29			
Element Accused Products			
[29 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 20 above.		
[29a] further including spaced marker bands.	See claim chart for claim 11 above.		

Claim 30		
Element	Accused Products	
[30 preamble] The catheter of claim 20	See claim chart for claim 20 above.	
[30a] wherein the mounting body is cylindrical in shape.	The mounting bodies of each of the Sapien products are cylindrical in shape.	
	<u>Commander:</u>	
	Mounting body	
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	Ascendra: On information and belief, the Ascendra has a mounting body that is cylindrical in shape, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.	

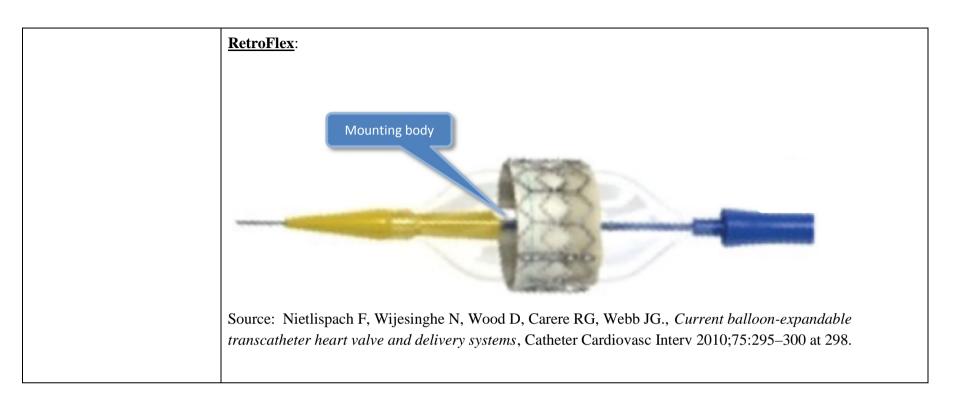
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has a mounting body that is cylindrical in shape, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:



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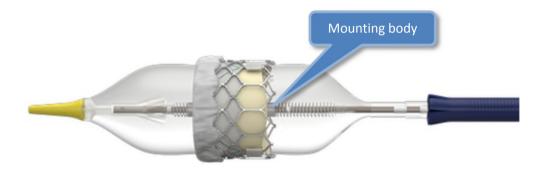
Claim 35		
Element	Accused Products	
[35 preamble] A stent delivery system comprising:	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.	
[35a] a radially expandable stent of generally cylindrical configuration, having a	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.	

length, a first end and a	
second end and a contracted	
state and an expanded state,	
and	
[35b]	See claim chart for claim [1a] above.
a catheter having a shaft	See Claim Chart for Claim [1a] above.
having a diameter and	
expandable inflatable means	
associated therewith at a	
distal part of the shaft,	
wherein the inflatable means	
comprises a balloon,	
[35c]	See claim chart for claim [1b] above.
and including mounting and	See Claim Chart for Claim [10] above.
retaining means for receiving	
the stent on the expandable	
inflatable means for radial	
expansion of the stent upon	
inflation of the inflatable	
means, the mounting	
retaining means including at	
least one mounting body	
carried on and surrounding	
the shaft inside the inflatable	
means,	
[35d]	See claim chart for claim [1c] above.
the at least one mounting	
body being at least ² / ₃ the	
length of the stent and being	
positioned on the shaft such	
that when the stent is loaded	
onto the inflatable means and	
the shaft in the stent's	

contracted state at least a	
portion of the at least one	
mounting body is under the	
stent and between the first	
and second ends of the stent,	
[35e]	Con alaim about for alaim [1d] above
whereby the diameter of the	See claim chart for claim [1d] above.
shaft and inflatable portion	
are increased at the distal	
part for facilitating the	
mounting and retaining of	
the stent.	

Claim 36		
Element	Accused Products	
[36 preamble] The stent delivery system of claim 35,	See claim chart for claim 35 above.	
[36a] the at least one mounting body comprising no more than one layer of material.	The mounting bodies of each of the Sapien products comprise no more than one layer of material.	

Commander:



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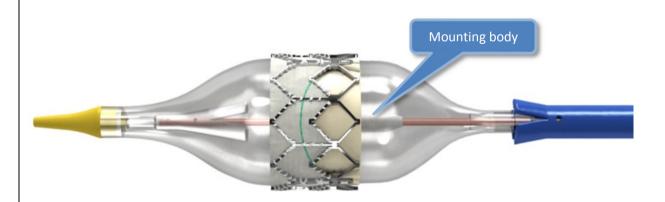
Ascendra:

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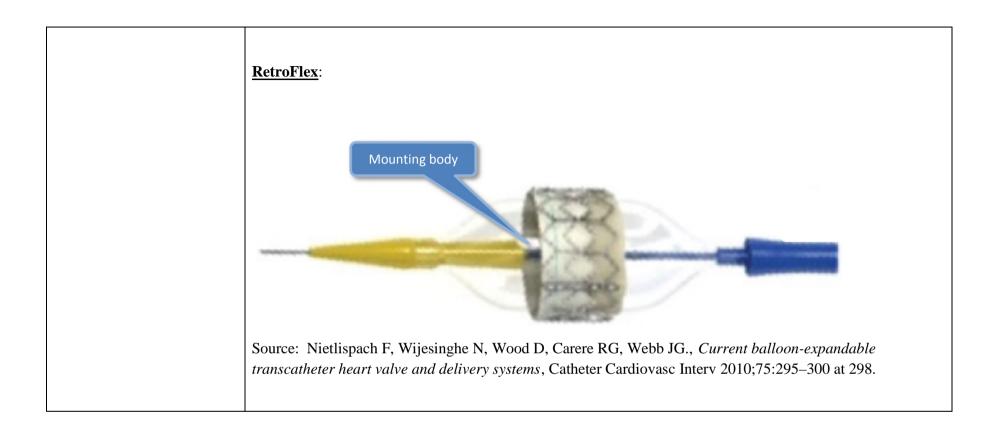
Certitude:

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NovaFlex:



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Ex. D: CLAIM CHART FOR INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 6,712,827 By Edwards

Claim 1		
Element	Accused Products	
[1 preamble ¹] A balloon catheter for dilating vascular constrictions and for simultaneously introducing a deformable stent into a vessel to be dilated in order to stabilize the vessel in the dilated condition, wherein a distal region of the catheter, which is intended to receive the deformable stent, comprises:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, on information and belief, Edwards made, used, offered to sell, and/or sold in the United States, and/or imported into the United States each of the balloon catheters used in its Commander Delivery System ("Commander"), Ascendra Delivery System ("Ascendra"), Certitude Delivery System ("Certitude"), NovaFlex Delivery System ("NovaFlex"), and RetroFlex Delivery System ("RetroFlex") (collectively, the Accused Products) for delivery and deployment of its Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and/or Sapien products. For example: Commander: The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh.docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .	

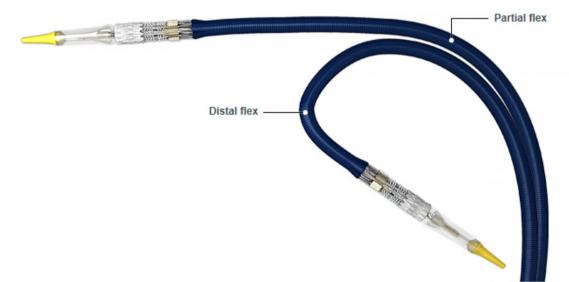
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The Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien, and their corresponding delivery systems, are collectively referred to herein as the "Sapien products." On information and belief, unless otherwise noted, any differences between various versions or models of the delivery systems identified herein or between the Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien are immaterial to the assertions set forth herein.

Edwards Commander Delivery System

Dual articulation for coaxiality even in challenging anatomies

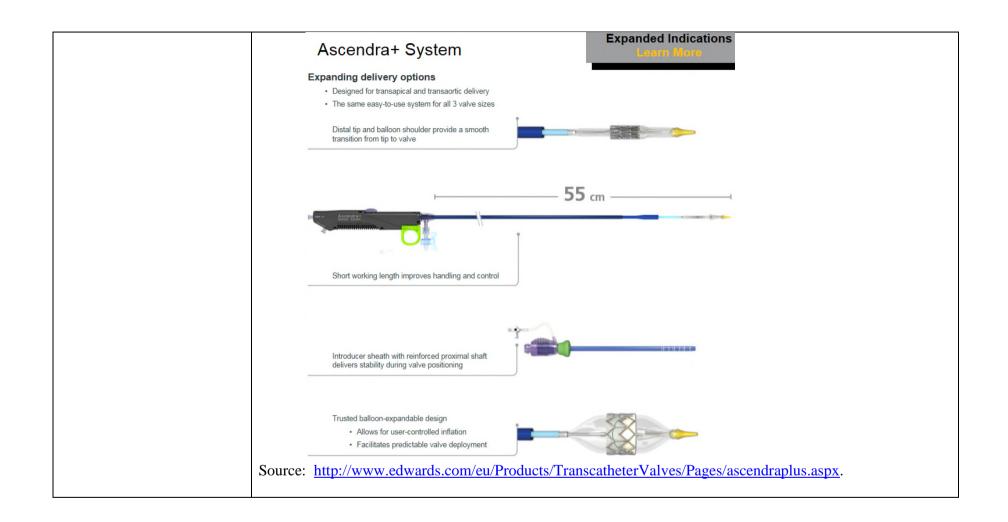


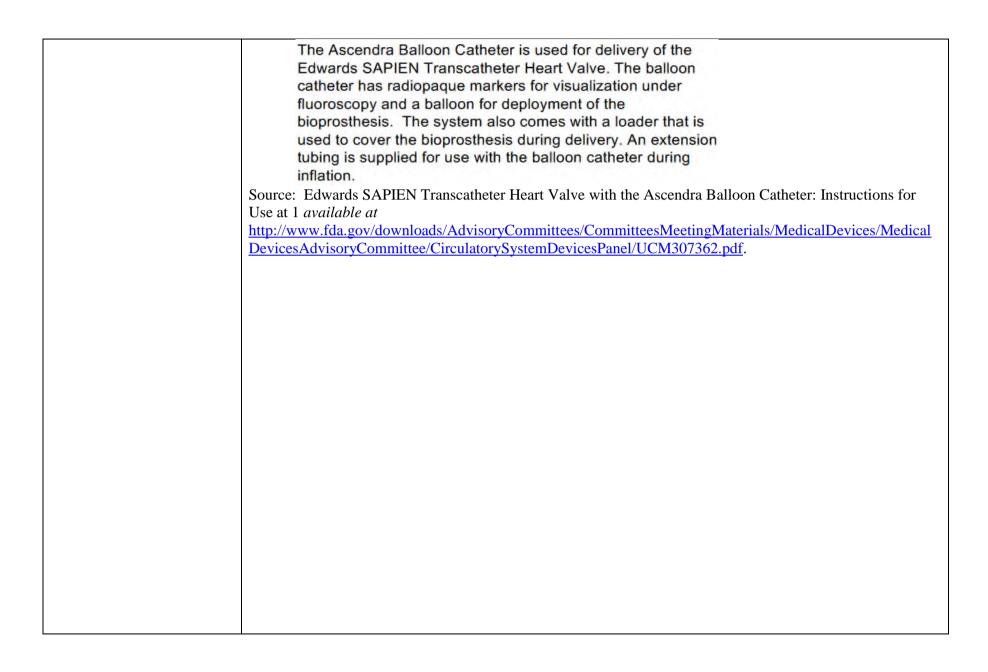
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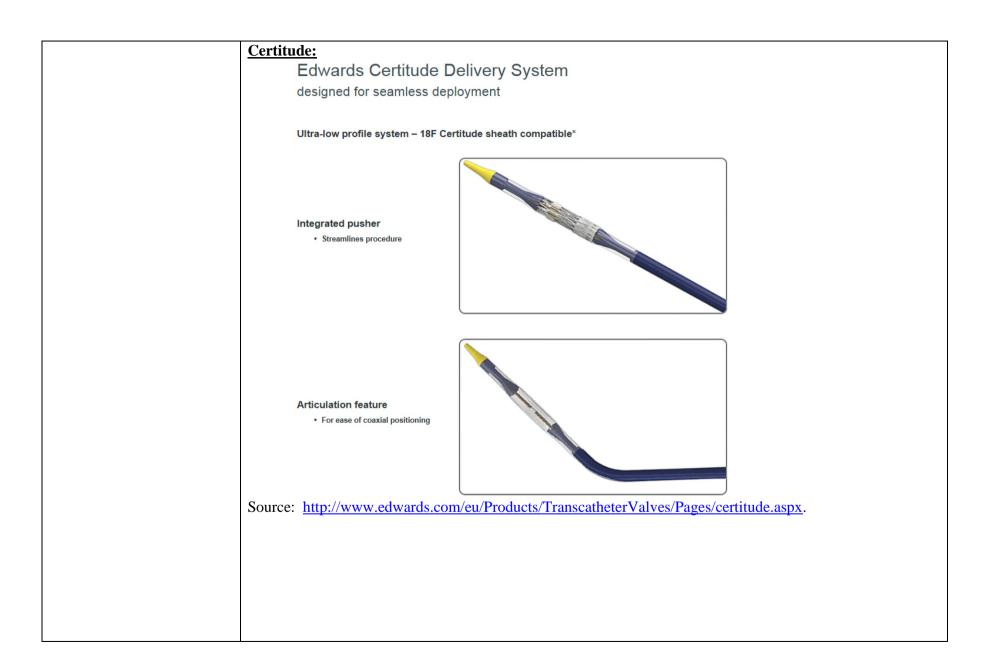
Ascendra:

The Ascendra+ delivery system (useable length 55 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve. The delivery system has radiopaque markers for visualization under fluoroscopy and a balloon for deployment of the THV. A balloon inflation hub, a guidewire hub, and a pusher retraction feature are housed in the handle assembly. The handle is labeled "BALLOON" at the balloon inflation hub and "WIRE 0.035" at the guidewire hub. The system also comes with a loader that is used to cover the THV during delivery. An extension tube is supplied for use with the delivery system during inflation.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf.



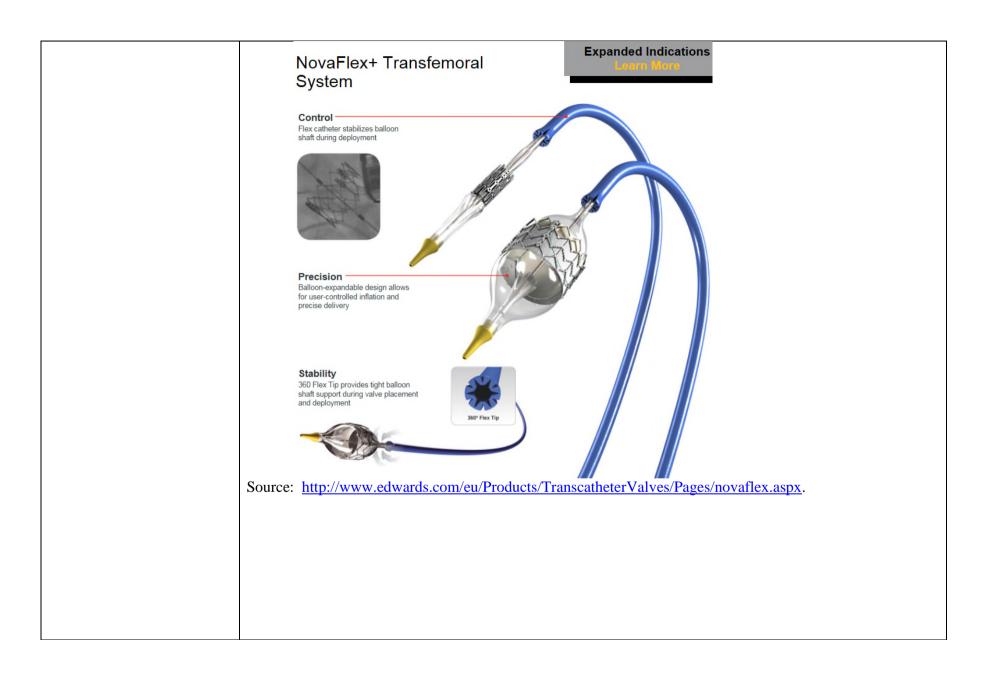




NovaFlex:

The NovaFlex+ delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN XT THV. The delivery system includes a flex wheel for articulation of the flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate advancing to the RVOT, and a balloon catheter for deployment of the THV. The handle also contains a flex indicator depicting articulation of the flex catheter, a valve alignment wheel for fine adjustment of the THV during valve alignment, a button that enables movement between handle positions, and a flush port to flush the flex catheter. The balloon catheter has radiopaque markers defining the valve alignment position and the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque double marker proximal to the balloon indicates flex catheter position during deployment.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.



RetroFlex:

The RetroFlex 3 delivery system includes a rotating wheel within the handle for articulation of flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate crossing the native valve, a balloon for deployment of the bioprosthesis, and radiopaque markers as indicated in Figure 2.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

Transcatheter Heart Valves

Edwards SAPIEN Pulmonic Models

Product Description	23 mm	26 mm
RetroFlex 3 Kit	9100RF323	9100RF326
Edwards SAPIEN Valve	9000TFX23	9000TFX26
RetroFlex 3 Delivery System	9120FS23	9120FS26
RetroFlex 3 Introducer Sheath Set	9120S23	9120S26
RetroFlex Balloon Catheter	9120BC20	9120BC23
RetroFlex Dilator Kit	9100DKS7	9100DKS7
Edwards Crimper	9100CR23	9100CR26
Atrion QL2530 Inflation Device	96402	96402



Edwards SAPIEN Valve



RetroFlex 3 Delivery System

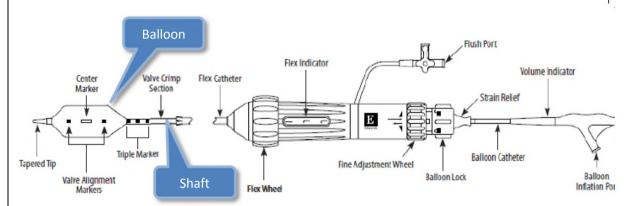
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[1a] an inner tube that is surrounded and crimped onto by the deformable stent; a balloon arranged between the deformable stent and the inner tube;

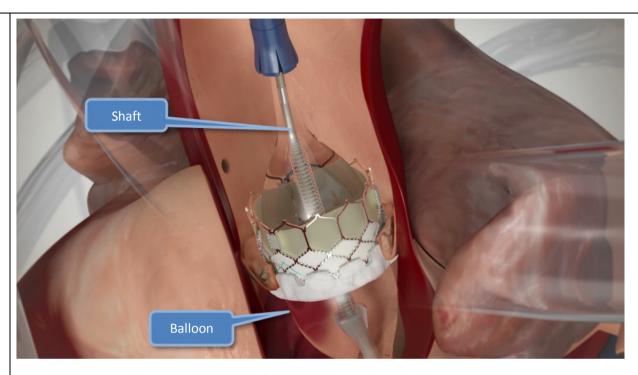
Each of the Sapien products includes an inner tube (shaft) surrounded by a stent, and a balloon arranged between the stent and the inner tube. For example:

Commander:

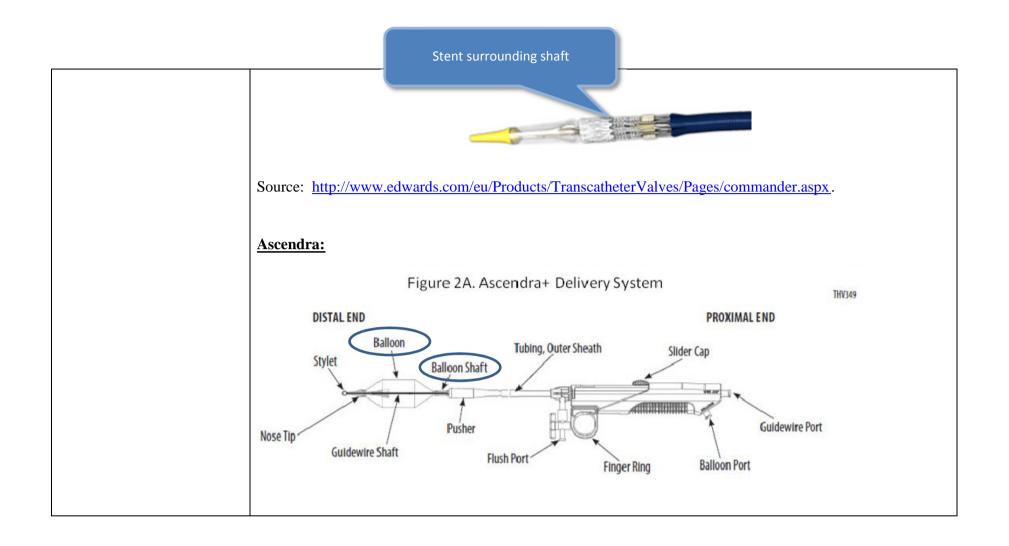
Figure 2 Edwards Commander Delivery System

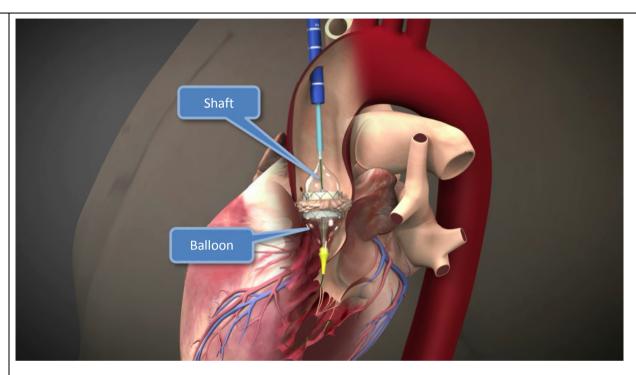


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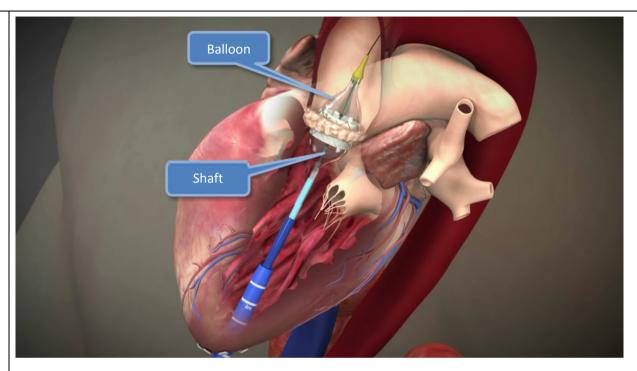
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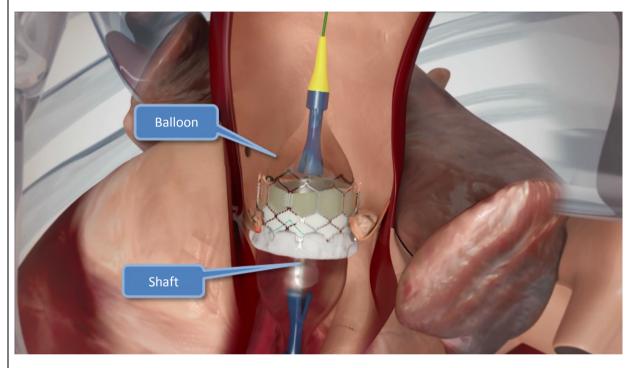
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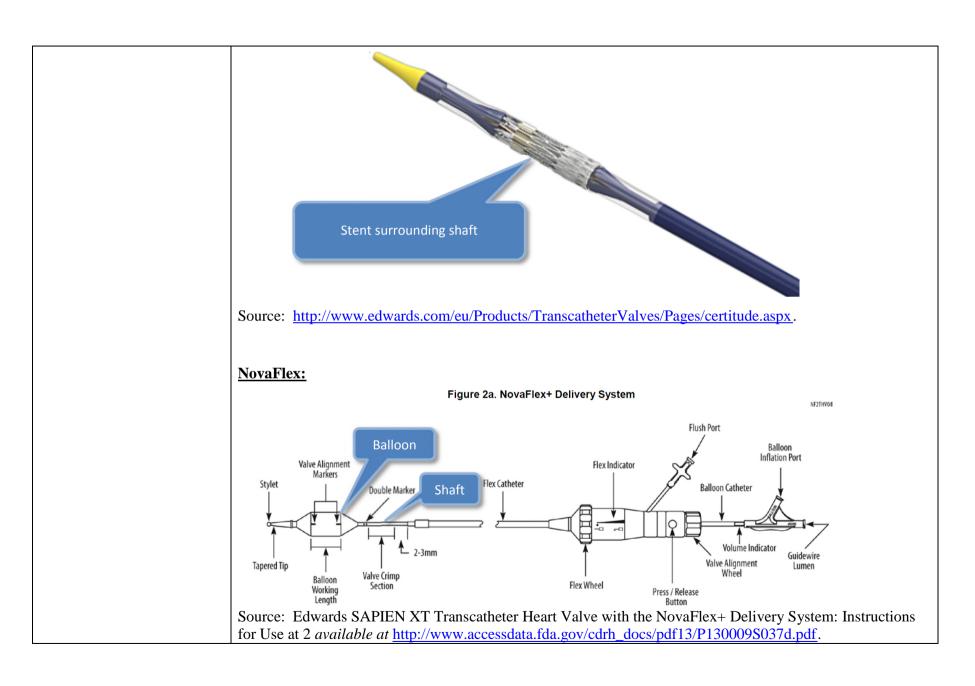
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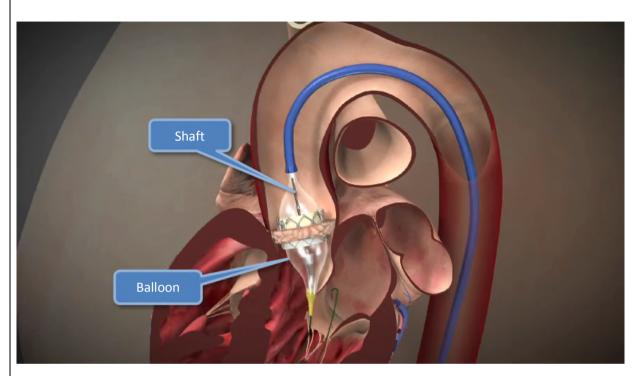
Certitude:



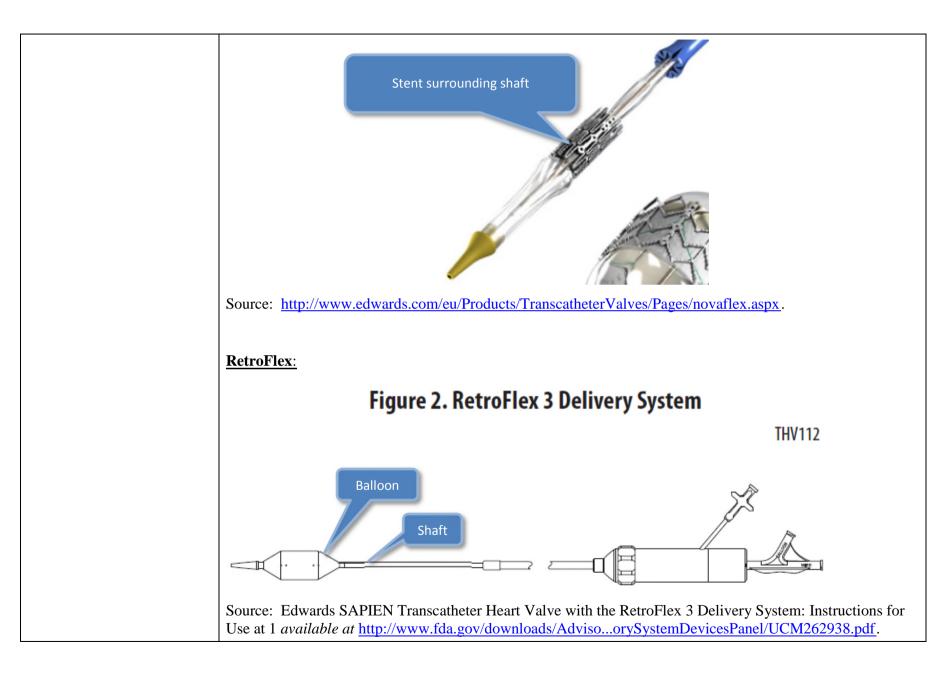
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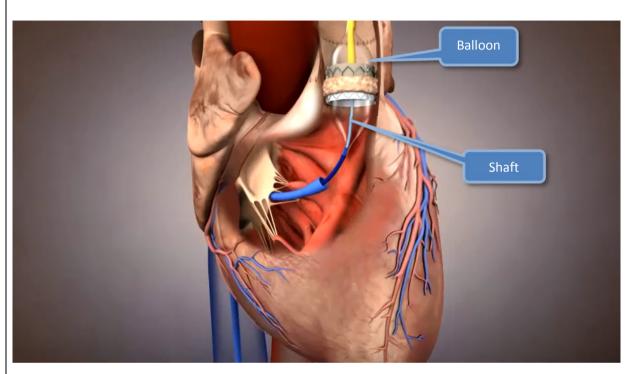
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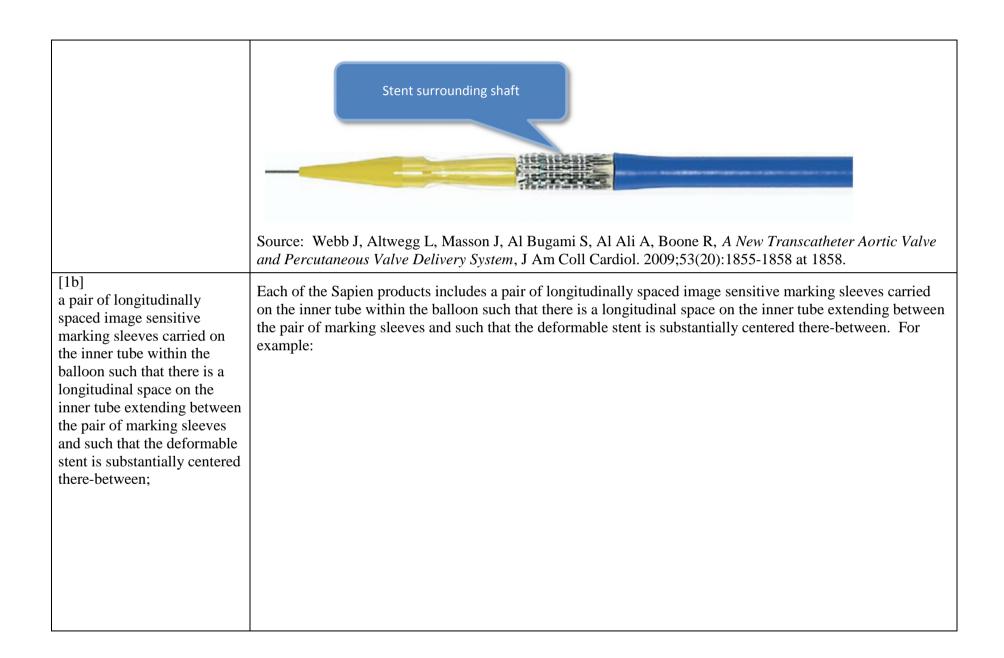


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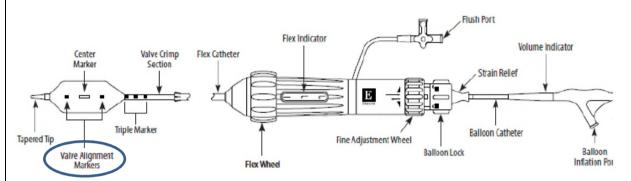


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Commander:

Figure 2 Edwards Commander Delivery System



Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 3 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf.

Before deployment, ensure that the THV is correctly positioned between the Valve Alignment Markers and the Flex Catheter tip is over the Triple Marker.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 11 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf.

Ascendra:

Remove the THV from the crimper and place it on the delivery system with the inflow (fabric cuff end) of the THV proximally towards the pusher if accessing antegrade. If accessing retrograde, place the THV on the delivery system with the inflow (fabric cuff end) of the THV towards the distal end away from the pusher. Ensure that the THV is aligned between the radiopaque markers.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 8 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf.

Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:

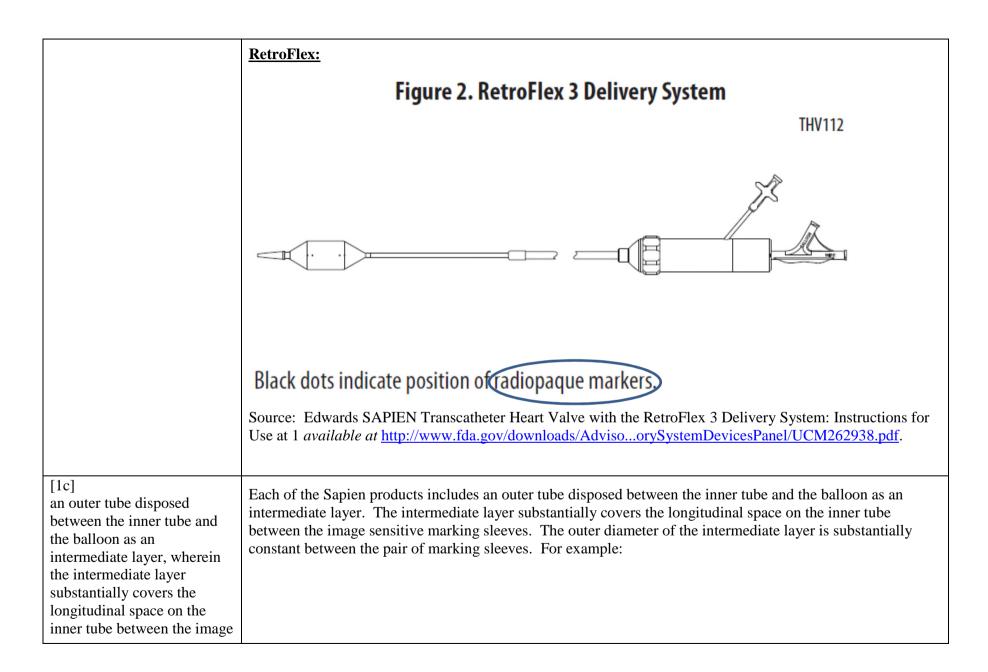
Figure 2a. NovaFlex+ Delivery System

NF2THV04 Flush Port Balloon Inflation Port Valve Alignment Flex Indicator Markers Flex Catheter Balloon Catheter Double Marker **1** 2-3mm Guidewire Valve Alignment Tapered Tip Valve Crimp Flex Wheel Section Press / Release

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.

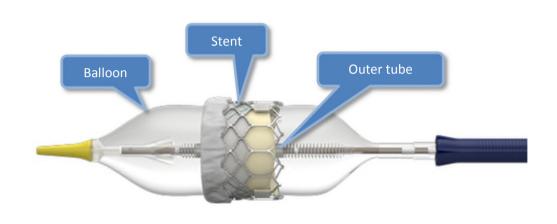
Use the Valve Alignment Wheel to position the THV between the valve alignment markers.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the NovaFlex+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 9 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009S037d.pdf.



sensitive marking sleeves, the intermediate layer having an outer diameter, wherein the outer diameter of the intermediate layer is substantially constant between the pair of marking sleeves.

Commander:



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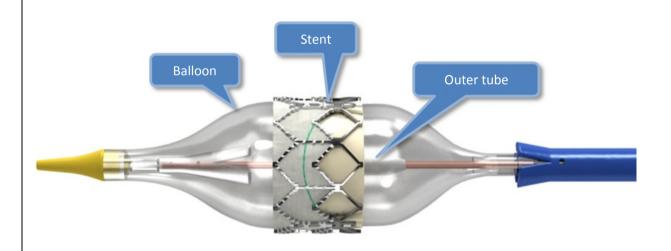
Ascendra:

On information and belief, the Ascendra has an outer tube disposed between the inner tube and the balloon as an intermediate layer, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

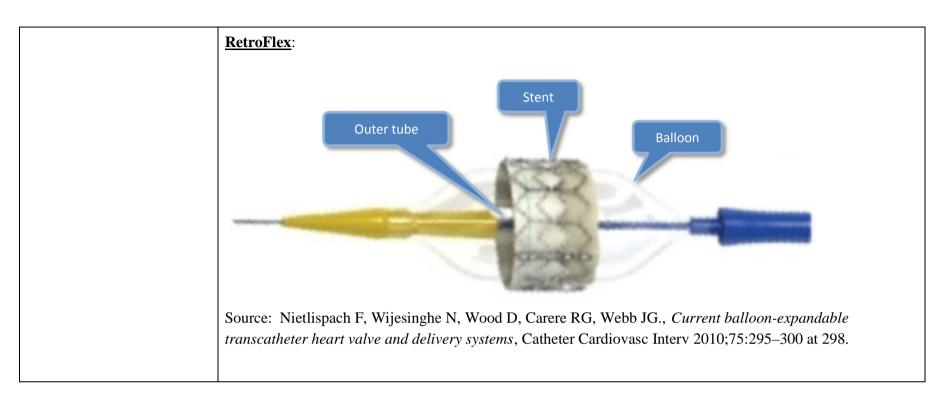
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has an outer tube disposed between the inner tube and the balloon as an intermediate layer, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:



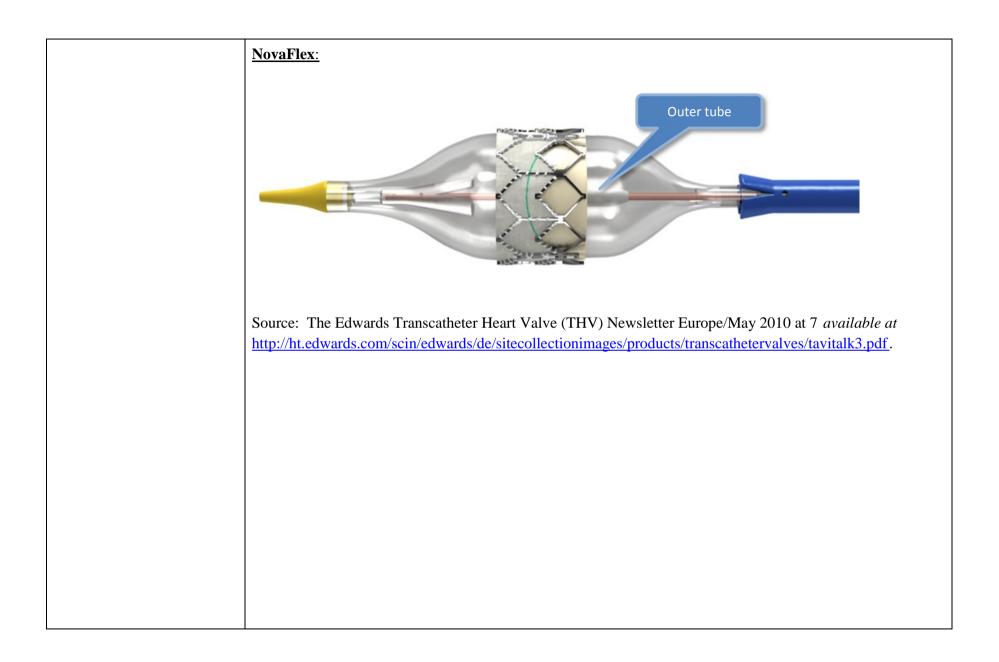
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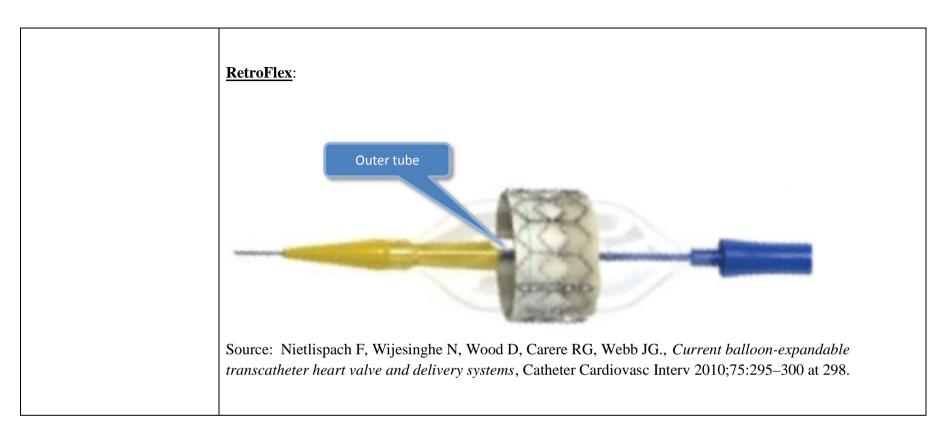


Claim 2	
Element	Accused Products
[2 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[2a] wherein the inner tube, the balloon, the outer tube forming the intermediate layer and the deformable	Upon information and belief, the inner tube, the balloon, the outer tube forming the intermediate layer and the deformable stent which is crimped onto the catheter form a pre-assembled unit.

stent which is crimped onto	
said catheter form a pre-	
assembled unit.	

Claim 3	
Element	Accused Products
[3 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[3a] wherein the outer tube comprises an elastic material into which the deformable stent is pressed in the	The outer tubes of the Ascendra, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex comprise elastic materials into which the deformable stent is pressed in the crimping operation.
crimping operation.	Ascendra:
	On information and belief, the Ascendra has an outer tube comprising an elastic material into which the deformable stent is pressed in the crimping operation, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.
	<u>Certitude:</u>
	On information and belief, the Certitude has an outer tube comprising an elastic material into which the deformable stent is pressed in the crimping operation, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.





Claim 5	
Element	Accused Products
[5 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[5a] wherein the intermediate layer includes at least one	The intermediate layer of the Commander includes a coil having at least one separation. For example:

separation whereby the **Commander:** flexibility of the body and catheter is increased. Intermediate layer including at least one separation Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/.

	Claim 6
Element	Accused Products
[6 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[6a] wherein the separation is a spiral separation.	The intermediate layer of the Commander includes a coil having at least one spiral separation. For example
	Commander:
	Intermediate layer including a spiral separation
	Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at

	Claim 7
Element	Accused Products
[7 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 5,	See claim chart for claim 5 above.
[7a] wherein there are a plurality of separations.	The intermediate layer of the Commander includes a separation between each coil winding. For example:
	<u>Commander:</u>
	Intermediate layer including a plurality of separations Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/.

Claim 8	
Element	Accused Products
[8 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 7,	See claim chart for claim 7 above.
[8a] wherein the plurality of separations are substantially parallel.	The plurality of separations in the intermediate layer of the Commander are substantially parallel. For example:
	Commander:
	Intermediate layer including a plurality of separations
	Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" <i>available at</i> http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/ .

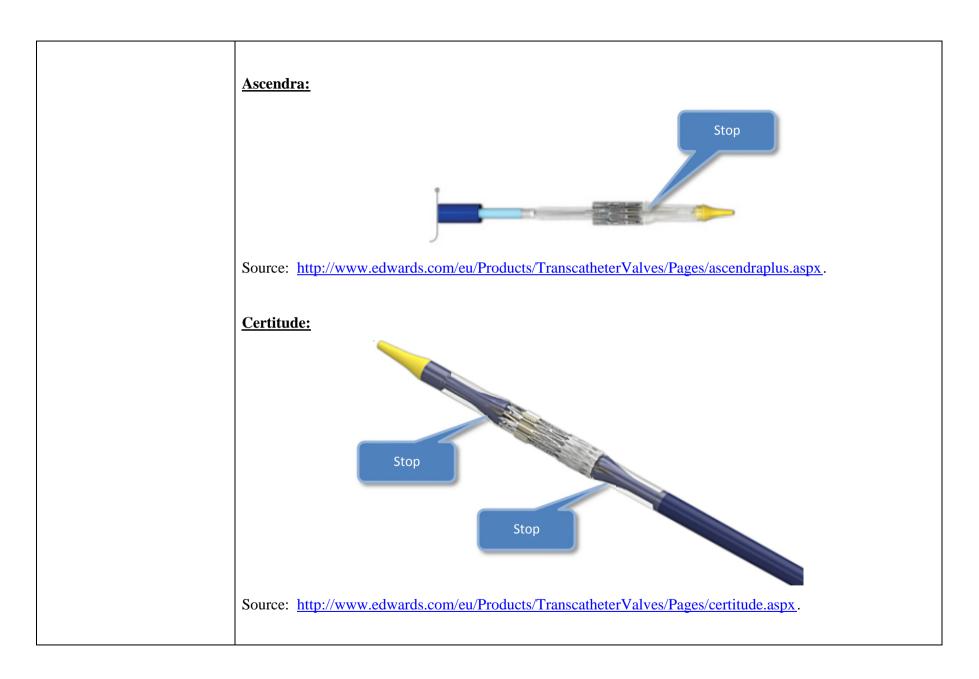
Claim 9	
Element	Accused Products
[9 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[9a] wherein the intermediate layer includes at least one cut in its surface.	The intermediate layer of the Commander includes a coil having at least one cut in its surface. For example:
in its surface.	<u>Commander:</u>
	Intermediate layer including a cut in its surface
	Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" <i>available at</i> http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/ .

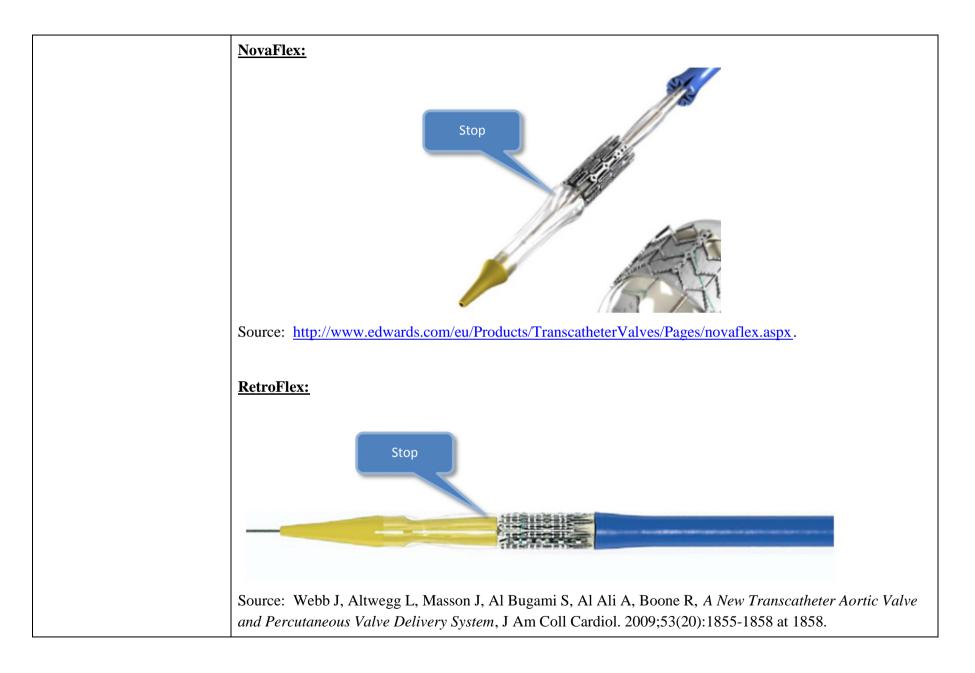
Claim 10	
Element	Accused Products
[10 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 9,	See claim chart for claim 9 above.
[10a] wherein the cut is a spiral separation.	The separations in the intermediate layer of the Commander is a spiral separation. For example:
	Commander:
	Intermediate layer including a spiral separation Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/ .

	Claim 11	
Element	Accused Products	
[11 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 9,	See claim chart for claim 9 above.	
[11a] wherein the plurality of cuts are circumferential cuts and are substantially parallel.	The intermediate layer of the Commander includes a coil having cuts between each of its windings. For example:	
	Commander:	
	Intermediate layer including a plurality of cuts Source (%25007821022730465 Edwards Commonder Dietal Erwand Valva pro?" quallable at	
	Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" <i>available at</i> http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/ .	

Claim 12	
Element	Accused Products
[12 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 11,	See claim chart for claim 11 above.
[12a] wherein the plurality of cuts are circumferential cuts and are substantially parallel.	The cuts of the Commander coil are circumferential and substantially parallel.

Claim 13	
Element	Accused Products
[13 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[13a] further including a stop carried by the inner tube inside the balloon	Each of the Sapien products includes a stop carried by the inner tube inside the balloon. For example: Commander: Stop Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx .





	Claim 14	
Element	Accused Products	
[14 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
[14a] wherein the intermediate layer is generally cylindrical	The intermediate layers of each of the Sapien products are cylindrical in shape. For example:	
in shape.	<u>Commander:</u>	
	Intermediate layer	
	Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" <i>available at</i> http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/ .	

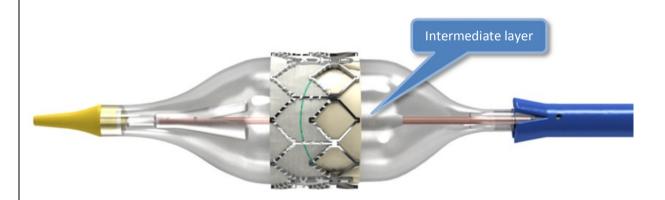
Ascendra:

On information and belief, the Ascendra has an intermediate layer that is cylindrical in shape, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

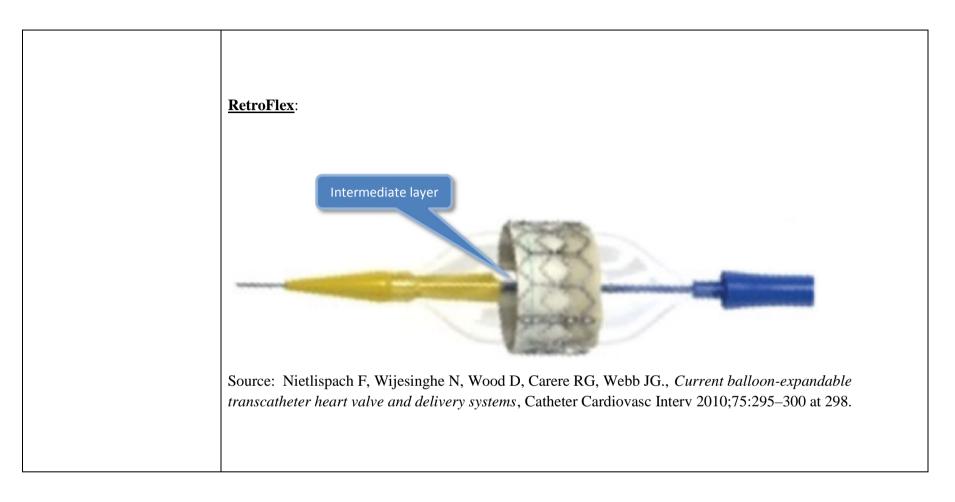
Certitude:

On information and belief, the Certitude has an intermediate layer that is cylindrical in shape, as will be demonstrated with further discovery.

NovaFlex:



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Claim 15	
Element	Accused Products
[15 preamble] A balloon catheter as set forth in claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.

[15a] The Certitude includes a pair of stops positioned at opposite ends of the stent and carried by the inner tube Including a pair of stops, inside the balloon. For example: each of which is respectively positioned ad opposite ends of the deformable stent and **Certitude:** carried by the inner tube inside the balloon. Stop Source: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/certitude.aspx.

Claim 16	
Element	Accused Products
[16a] Balloon catheter for expansion of vessel stenoses and for simultaneous	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.

introduction of a deformable	
stent,	
[16b] the deformable stent being	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.
expandable from an	
unexpanded condition to an	
expanded condition, into the	
vessel which is to be	
expanded in order to stabilize	
it in the expanded condition,	
[16c]	See claim chart for claim [1a] above.
whereby the distal area of the	
catheter which is provided	
for receiving the deformable stent has an interior tube	
which is surrounded by the	
unexpanded deformable	
stent, a balloon is arranged	
between the deformable stent	
and the interior tube,	
[16d]	
and the interior tube has at its	See claim chart for claim [1b] above.
ends two sleeves applied to it	
as image sensitive markers	
which are composed of	
material opaque to X rays	
and are provided within the	
balloon on the interior tube,	
[16e]	See claim chart for claim [1c] above.
the catheter further	~~~
comprising a intermediate	
tube which forms an	
additional plateau and which	

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	s provided between
interior tu	be and exterior
balloon as	s an intermediate
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	to the sleeves
which for	m the image
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intermedia	ate layer having an
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	ate layer is
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Claim 17	
Element	Accused Products
[17 preamble] A balloon catheter for introducing a stent, the stent being expandable, into a vessel comprising	See claim chart for claim [1 preamble] above.
[17a] an inner tube that is surrounded and crimped onto by the stent; a balloon arranged between the stent and the inner tube;	See claim chart for claim [1a] above.

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[17b]	See claim chart for claim [1b] above.
a first marking sleeve having	
a distal end and a proximal	
end and a second marking	
sleeve having a distal end,	
wherein the sleeves are	
longitudinally spaced from	
one another along the inner	
tube, the second marking	
sleeve being distal to the first	
marking sleeve along the	
inner tube, and are image	
sensitive, the sleeves being	
carried on the inner tube	
within the balloon, such that	
there is a longitudinal space	
on the inner tube extending	
between the pair of marking	
sleeves and such that the	
stent is substantially centered	
there-between,	
[17c]	See claim chart for claim [1c] above.
an intermediate layer	See Claim Chart for Claim [10] above.
disposed between the inner	
tube and the balloon, the	
intermediate layer having a	
proximal portion and a distal	
portion, wherein the	
proximal portion covers the	
inner tube and is positioned	
immediately distal to the	
distal end of the first	
marking sleeve and wherein	

the distal portion covers the	
inner tube and is positioned	
immediately proximal to the	
proximal end of the second	
marking sleeve.	

Claim 18	
Element	Accused Products
[18 preamble]	See claim chart for claim 17 above.
The balloon catheter of claim	See Claim Chart for Claim 17 above.
17,	
[18a]	See claim chart for claim [1b] above.
wherein the intermediate	See Claim Chart for Claim [10] above.
layer extends from the distal	See claim chart for claim [1c] above.
end of the first marking	
sleeve to the proximal end of	
the second marking sleeve.	

Claim 19	
Element	Accused Products
[19 preamble] The balloon catheter of claim 17,	See claim chart for claim 17 above.
[19a] the first marking sleeve having an outer diameter and the intermediate layer having an inner diameter, wherein	For each of the Ascendra, Certitude, NovaFlex, and RetroFlex, the inner diameter of the intermediate layer is equal to or less than the outer diameter of the first marking sleeve.

the inner diameter of the	
intermediate layer is equal to	
or less than the outer	
diameter of the first marking	
sleeve.	

Claim 20	
Element	Accused Products
[20 preamble]	Cas alaim about for alaim 10 above
The balloon catheter of claim	See claim chart for claim 18 above.
18,	
[20a]	Con alaim shout for alaim [1 a] shows
the intermediate layer having	See claim chart for claim [1c] above.
an outer diameter, wherein	
the outer diameter of the	
intermediate layer is	
substantially constant	
between the pair of marking	
sleeves.	

	Claim 1
Element	Accused Products
[1 preamble 1] A stent crimper comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, the Edwards Crimper ("Crimper") is a stent crimper. For example: Fig.2

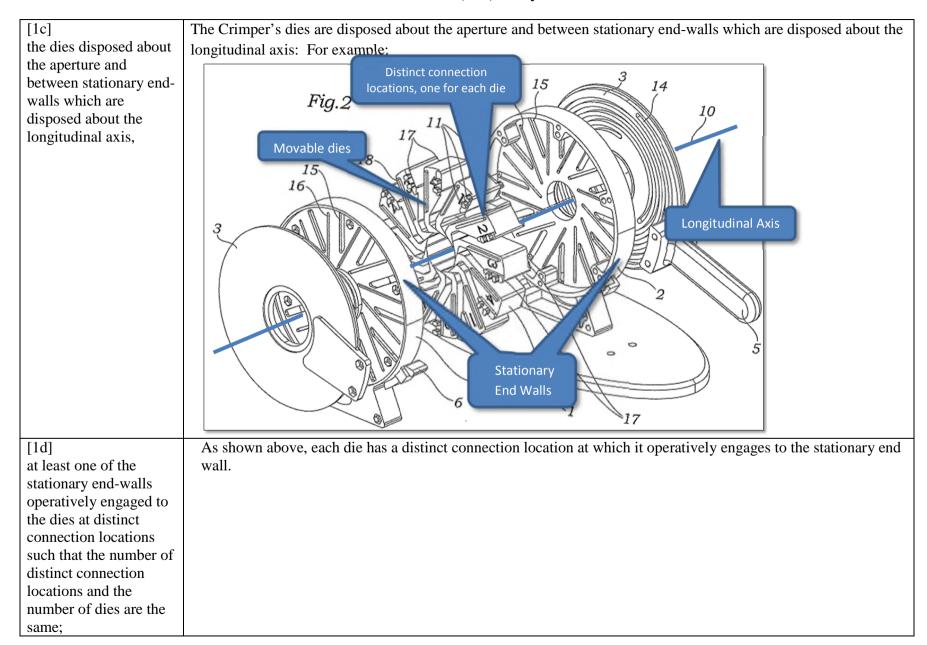
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On information and belief, unless otherwise noted, any differences between various versions or models of the Crimper identified herein are immaterial to the assertions set forth herein

Crimper 2.2 The crimper (Models 9100CR23 and 9100CR26) is a single-use non-patient contacting, compression device (Figure 2) that symmetrically reduces the overall diameter of the bioprosthesis from its expanded size to its collapsed (mounted) size, effectively mounting the bioprosthesis to its delivery balloon catheter. The crimper is comprised of a housing and a compression mechanism (creating the aperture). The aperture is closed by means of a handle located on the housing. The crimper is equipped with two measuring gauges: o A crimp gauge to verify that the bioprosthesis/balloon assembly has been suitably o A balloon gauge to verify the bioprosthesis/balloon assembly catheter diameter when http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AdvisoryCommittees/CommitteesMeetingMaterials/MedicalDevices/MedicalDe vicesAdvisoryCommittee/CirculatorySystemDevicesPanel/UCM307365.pdf [1a] The Crimper's plurality of movable dies are arranged to form an iris having a longitudinal axis. For example: a plurality of movable dies arranged to form Fig.2 an iris having a longitudinal axis, Movable dies **Longitudinal Axis** Aperture

[1b] The iris formed by the dies defines an aperture, as illustrated above. the iris defining an See also: aperture, http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AdvisoryCommittees/CommitteesMeetingMaterials/MedicalDevices/MedicalDe vicesAdvisoryCommittee/CirculatorySystemDevicesPanel/UCM307365.pdf The PARTNER-US IDE Trial Edwards Lifesciences with Continued Access and Post-Approval Study (8) 6 5 1 - Housing 6 - Stand 2 - Handle 7 - ID Label 3 - Stopper 8 - Aperture 9 - Balloon Gauge 4 - Crimp Gauge 5 - Base Figure 2. Crimper



[1e] each die having a first straight side and a second straight side,	First side of die (green) is parallel to second side of die (red) First side of die (green) is parallel to second side of die (red) Aperture
[1f] the first straight side and the second straight side converging to form a tip;	As shown above, the first straight side (green) and the second straight side (red) converge to form a tip.
[1g] wherein a portion of the first straight side of each die faces the aperture,	As shown above, a portion of the first straight side of each die (green) faces the aperture.
[1h] each first straight side parallel to the second side of an adjacent die.	As shown above, each first straight side (red) is parallel to the second side of an adjacent die (green).

	Claim 2	
Element	Accused Products	
[2 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 1	As shown in connection with claim 1, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.	
[2a] having a rotatable actuation device coupled to the dies,	The Crimper has a rotatable actuation device coupled to the dies. For example: Fig.2 16 15 3 14 10	
[2b] rotation of the actuation device causing the dies to move inward and reduce the size of the aperture	Rotation of the Crimper's actuation device causes the dies to move inward, thereby reducing the size of the aperture. See http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/129856.pdf	



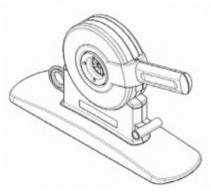


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The Crimper, shown in Figure 4, is comprised of a housing and a compression mechanism, creating an aperture that is opened and closed by means of a handle located on the housing. The crimper includes a balloon gauge to verify diameter of an inflated balloon catheter and a crimp gauge to verify collapsed diameter of the device.

Figure 4: Crimper



[2c]

or outward so as to increase the size of the aperture.

Rotation of the Crimper's actuation device cause in the opposite direction causes the dies to move outward, thereby increasing the size of the aperture. For example:



See also: http://www.fda.gov/ucm/groups/fdagov-public/@fdagov-afda-adcom/documents/document/ucm262934.pdf, p. 2

The Crimper, shown in Figure 4, is comprised of a housing and a compression mechanism, creating an aperture that is opened and closed by means of a handle located on the housing. The crimper includes a balloon gauge to verify diameter of an inflated balloon catheter and a crimp gauge to verify collapsed diameter of the device.

Figure 4: Crimper

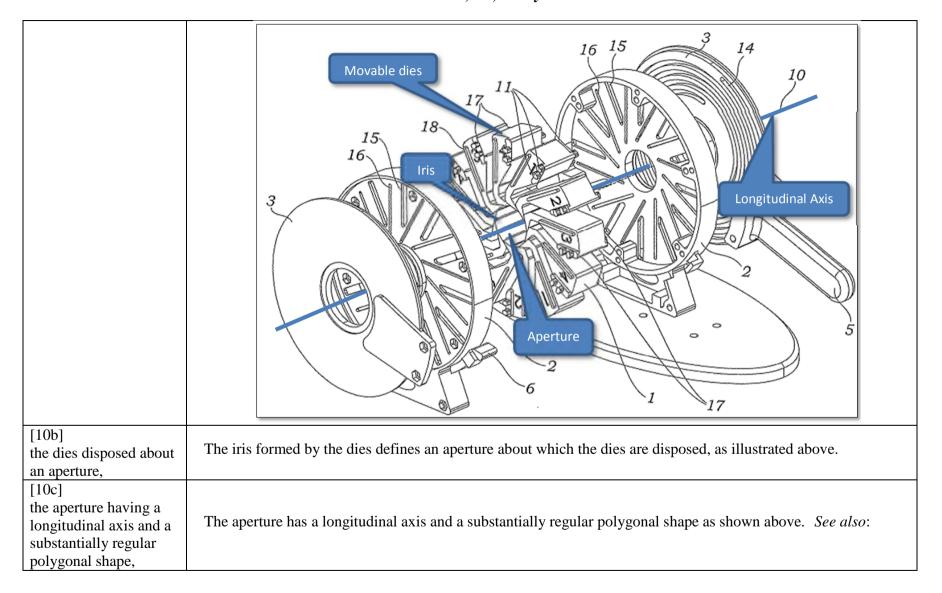


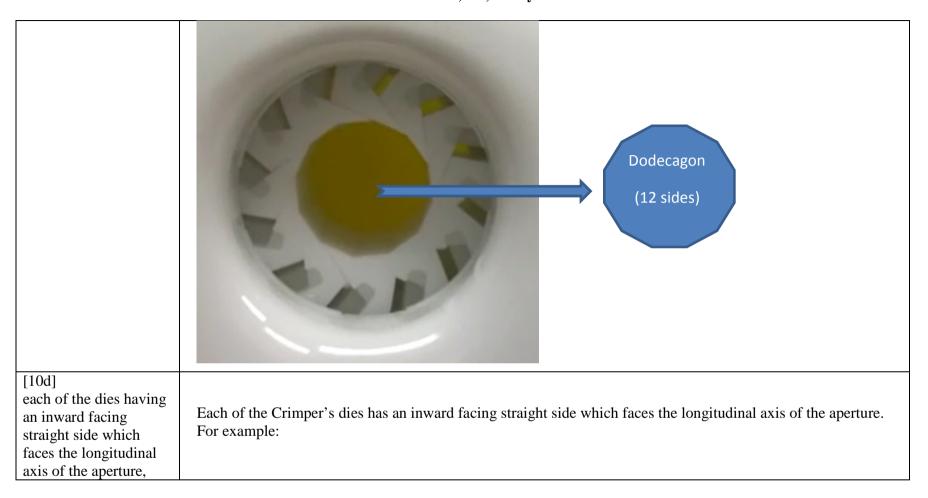
Claim 6	
Element	Accused Products
[6 preamble]	
The stent crimper of claim 1	As shown in connection with claim 1, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[6a]	The Crimper has 12 dies. For example:
wherein at least 8 dies are provided.	12 11 5 10 5

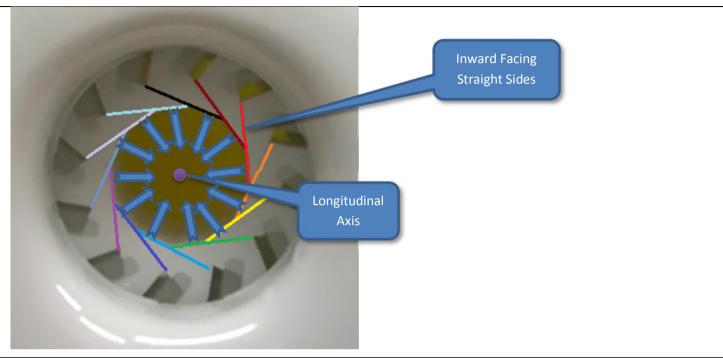
Claim 8	
Element	Accused Products
[8 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 1	As shown in connection with claim 1, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[8a] wherein the dies are moved cooperatively inward during the moving step.	The Crimper's dies move cooperatively inward during the moving step. For example:

	Claim 9	
Element	Accused Products	
[9 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 1	As shown in connection with claim 1, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.	
[9a] wherein the dies are wedge shaped.	The Crimper's dies are wedge shaped. For example:	

	Claim 10	
Element	Accused Products	
[10 preamble] A stent crimper comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, the Crimper is a stent crimper. Fig.2 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 1	
[10a] a plurality of movable dies arranged to form an iris,	The Crimper's plurality of movable dies are arranged to form an iris. For example:	



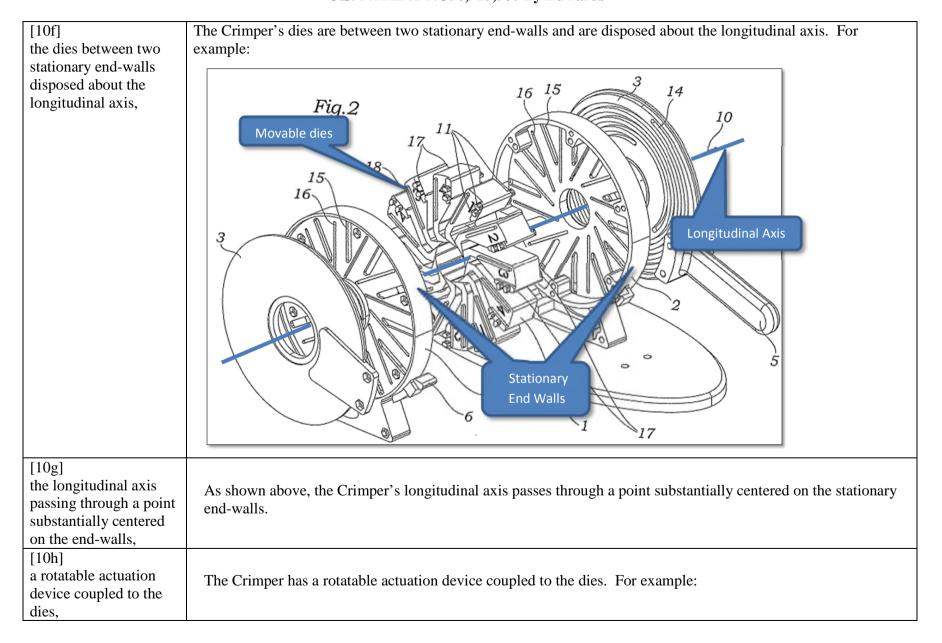


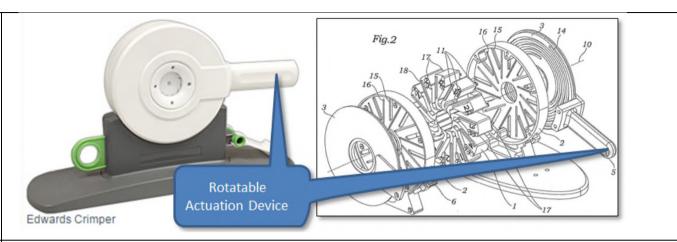


[10e] both when the dies move to maximize the aperture and when the dies move to minimize the aperture,

The inward facing straight sides of the Crimper's dies face the longitudinal axis of the aperture both when the dies move to minimize and maximize the aperture. For example:

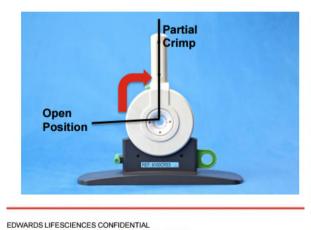




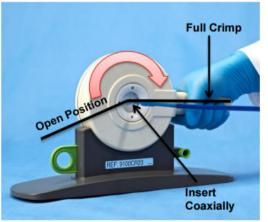


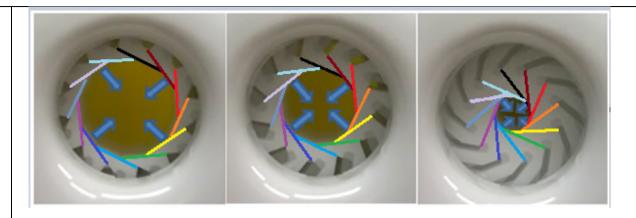
[10i] rotation of the actuation device causing the inward facing straight sides of the dies to move inward and reduce the size of the aperture

The rotation of the Crimper's actuation device causes the inward facing straight sides of the dies to move inward and reduce the size of the aperture. For example:



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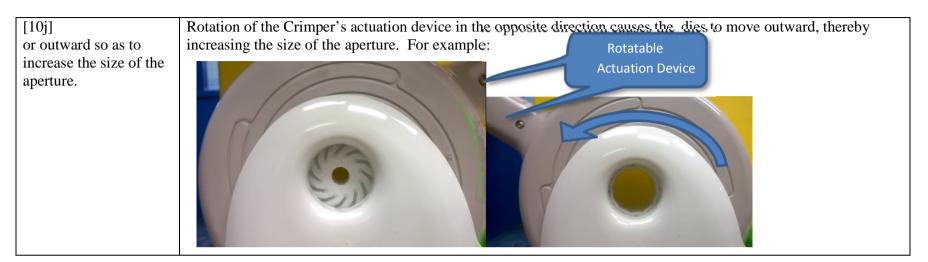


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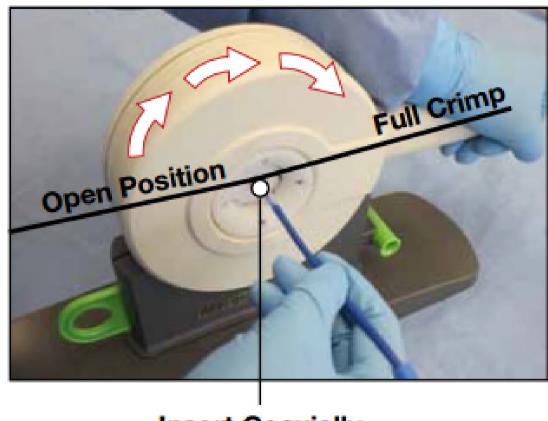
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Figure 4: Crimper





Claim 11	
Element	Accused Products
[11 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 10	As shown in connection with claim 10, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 10. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 10, above.
wherein a stent is disposed about a medical balloon, the medical balloon disposed about a catheter.	For example, the "Crimper is indicated for use in preparing the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve for implantation" using the Edwards Commander Delivery System, among other catheter delivery systems. It is also used to prepare other Sapien products. See http://www.edwards.com/devices/Heart-Valves/Transcatheter-Sapien-3 http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/128634.pdf , p. 22:



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Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf.

The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobaltchromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.

Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf.

The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde

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Edwards Commander System

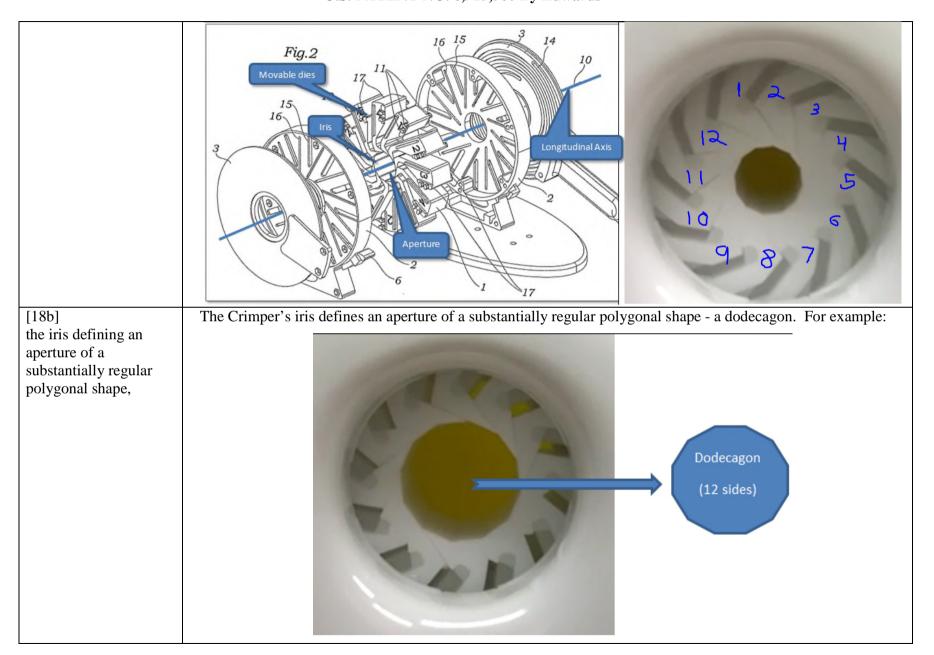
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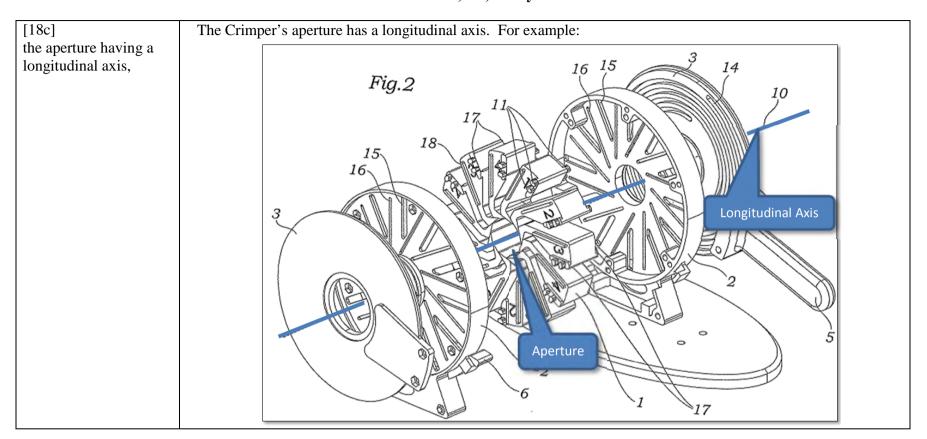
	Claim 14	
Element	Accused Products	
[14 preamble]		
The stent crimper of claim 10	As shown in connection with claim 10, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 10. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 10, above.	
[14a]	The Crimper's dies are wedge shaped. For example:	
wherein the dies are wedge shaped.		

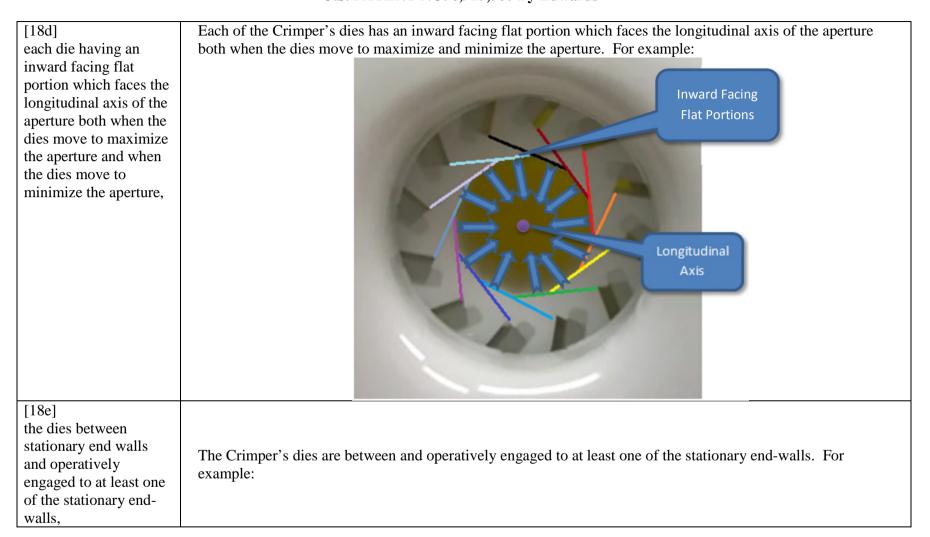
Claim 15	
Element	Accused Products
[15 preamble]	
The stent crimper of claim 10	As shown in connection with claim 10, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 10. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 10, above.
[15a]	The Crimper has 12 dies. For example:
wherein at least 8 dies are provided.	

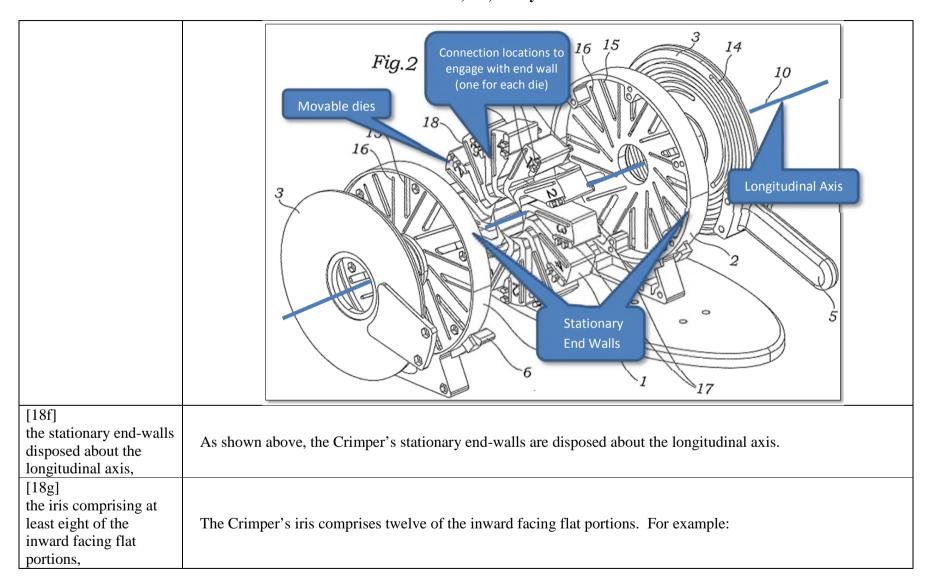
Claim 17	
Element	Accused Products
[17 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 10	As shown in connection with claim 10, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 10. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 10, above.
[17a]	During the crimping process, the entire stent is disposed in the aperture. For example:
wherein an entire stent is disposed in the aperture.	See http://www.edwards.com/devices/Heart-Valves/Transcatheter-Sapien-3
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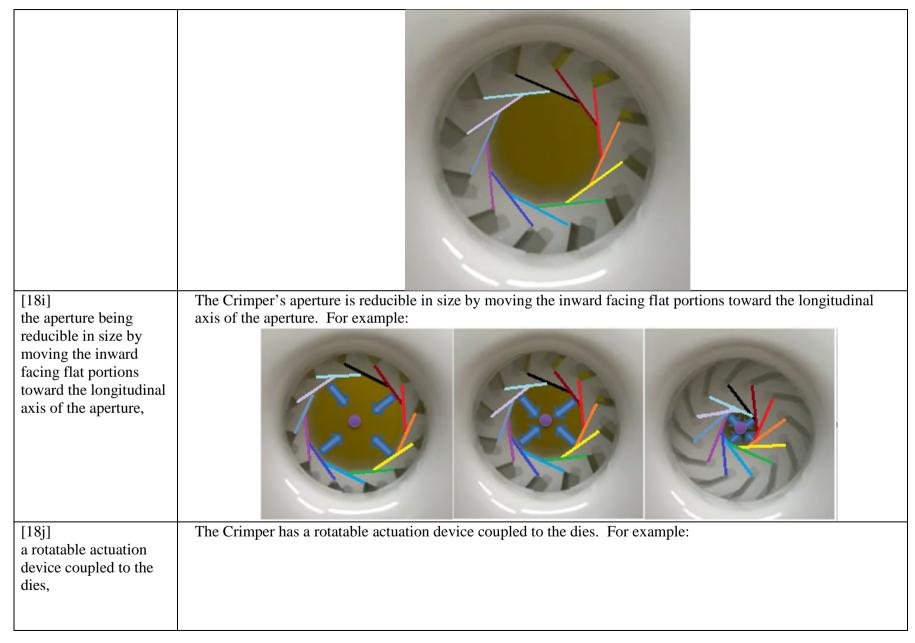
Claim 18		
Element	Accused Portion	
[18 preamble] A stent crimper comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, the Crimper is a stent crimper. For example: Fig.2 16 15 3 14 10	
[18a] eight or more movable dies arranged to form an iris,	The Crimper has 12 movable dies arranged to form an iris. For example:	

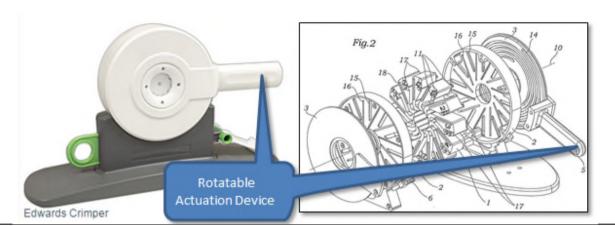






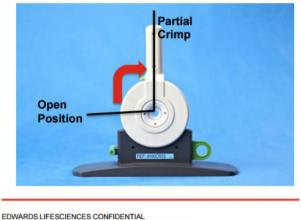




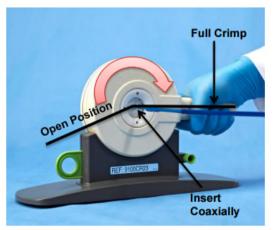


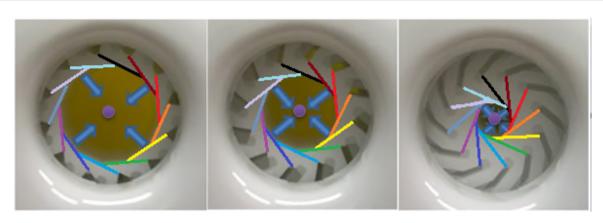
[18k] rotation of the actuation device causing the inward facing straight sides of the dies to move inward and reduce the size of the aperture

Rotation of the Crimper's actuation device causes the inward facing straight sides of the dies to move inward, thereby reducing the size of the aperture. *See* http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/129856.pdf



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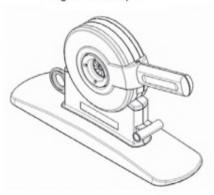


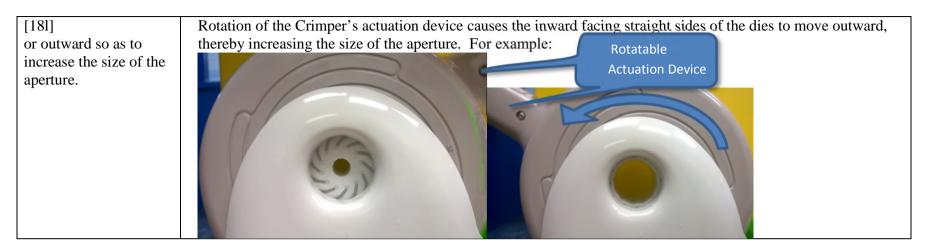


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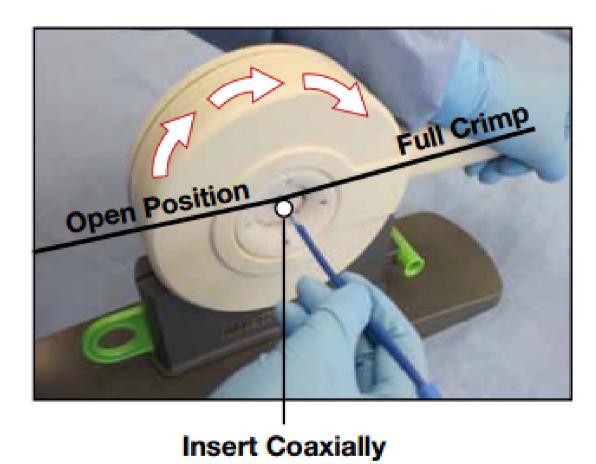
The Crimper, shown in Figure 4, is comprised of a housing and a compression mechanism, creating an aperture that is opened and closed by means of a handle located on the housing. The crimper includes a balloon gauge to verify diameter of an inflated balloon catheter and a crimp gauge to verify collapsed diameter of the device.

Figure 4: Crimper





Claim 19		
Element	Accused Products	
[19 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 18	As shown in connection with claim 18, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 18. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 18, above.	
[19a] wherein a stent is disposed about a medical balloon, the medical balloon disposed about a catheter.	For example, the "Crimper is indicated for use in preparing the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve for implantation" using the Edwards Commander Delivery System, among other catheter delivery systems. It is also used to prepare other Sapein products. See http://www.edwards.com/devices/Heart-Valves/Transcatheter-Sapien-3 http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/128634.pdf , p. 22:	



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Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf.

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Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

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Edwards Commander System

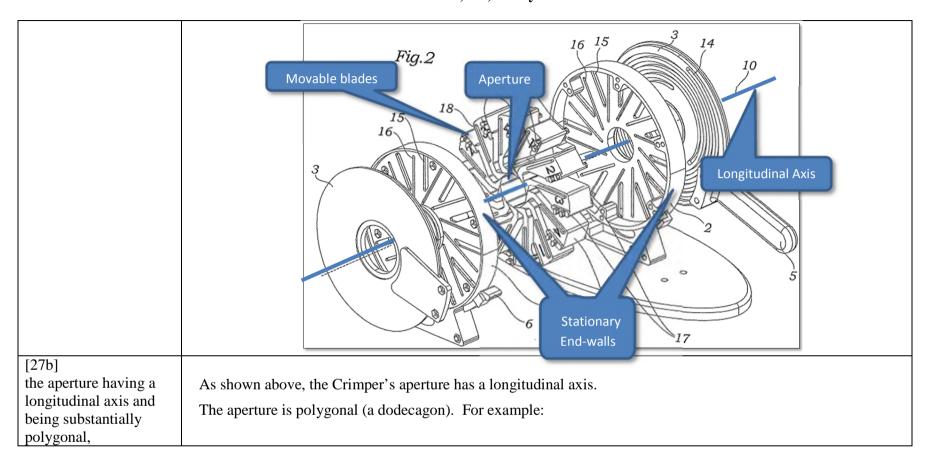
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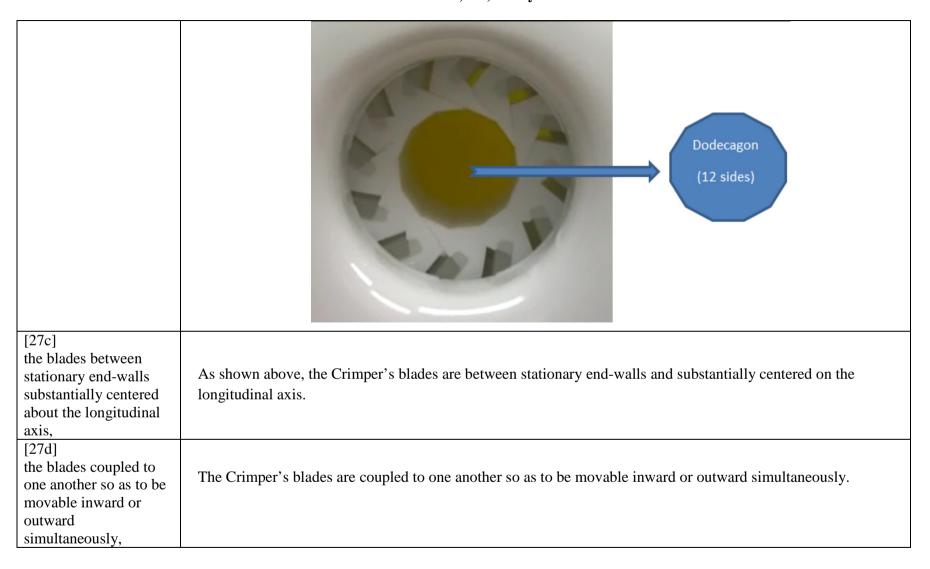
	Claim 23	
Element	Accused Products	
[23 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 18	As shown in connection with claim 18, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 18. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 18, above.	
[23a] wherein the dies are wedge shaped.	The Crimper's dies are wedge shaped. For example:	

Claim 25	
Element	Accused Products
[25 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 18	As shown in connection with claim 18, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 18. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 18, above.
[25a] wherein the dies are moved cooperatively inward during the moving step.	The Crimper's dies move cooperatively inward during the moving step. For example:

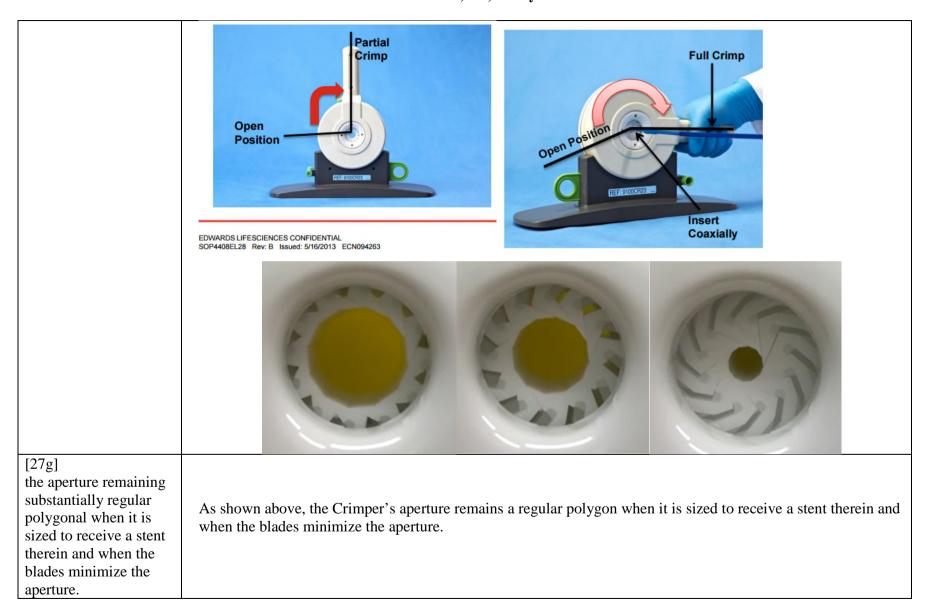
	Claim 26	
Element	Accused Products	
[26 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 18	As shown in connection with claim 18, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 18. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 18, above.	
[26a] wherein an entire stent is disposed in the aperture.	During the crimping process, the entire stent is disposed in the aperture. See http://www.edwards.com/devices/Heart-Valves/Transcatheter-Sapien-3 http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/128634.pdf, p. 22:	
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	Claim 27	
Element	Accused Portion	
[27 preamble] A stent crimper comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, the Crimper is a stent crimper. Fig.2 10 15 15 16 15 16 15 16 15 16 16	
[27a] an aperture with a plurality of movable blades disposed thereabout,	The Crimper's has an aperture with a plurality of movable blades disposed thereabout. For example:	







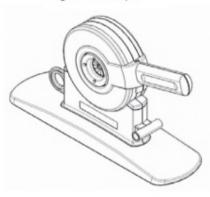


	Claim 28	
Element	Accused Products	
[28 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 27	As shown in connection with claim 27, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 27. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 27, above.	
[28a] further comprising a rotatable actuation device coupled to the blades,	The Crimper has a rotatable actuation device coupled to the blades. For example: Rotatable Actuation Device	
[28b] rotation of the actuation device causing the blades to move inward or outward.	For example, rotation of the Crimper's actuation device causes the dies to move inward, thereby reducing the size of the aperture, and outward, thereby increasing the size of the aperture. See http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/129856.pdf	



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Figure 4: Crimper



Claim 31	
Element	Accused Products
[31 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 28	As shown in connection with claim 28, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 28. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 28, above.
[31a] wherein the dies are wedge shaped.	The Crimper's dies are wedge shaped. For example:



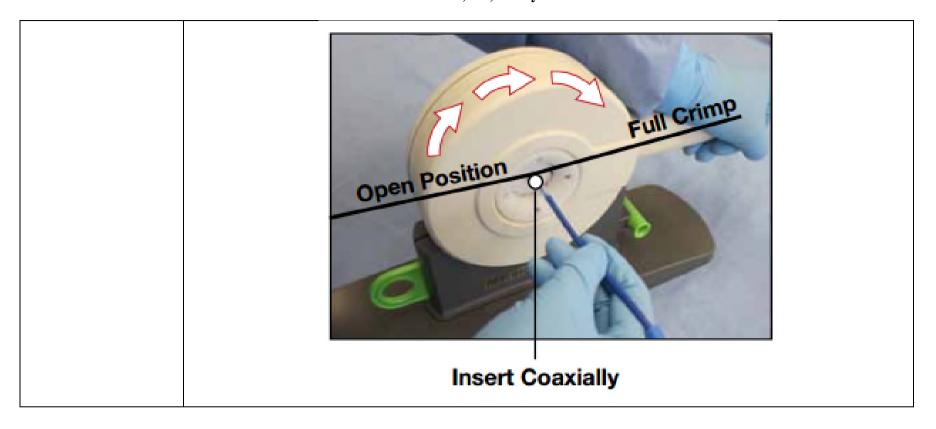
Claim 33	
Element	Accused Products
[33 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 28	As shown in connection with claim 28, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 28. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 28, above.

[33a]

wherein the dies are moved cooperatively inward during the moving step. The Crimper's dies move cooperatively inward during the moving step. For example:



Claim 34	
Element	Accused Products
[34 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 28	As shown in connection with claim 28, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 28. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 28, above.
[34a] wherein an entire stent is disposed in the aperture.	During the crimping process, the entire stent is disposed in the aperture. See http://www.edwards.com/devices/Heart-Valves/Transcatheter-Sapien-3 http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/128634.pdf , p. 22:

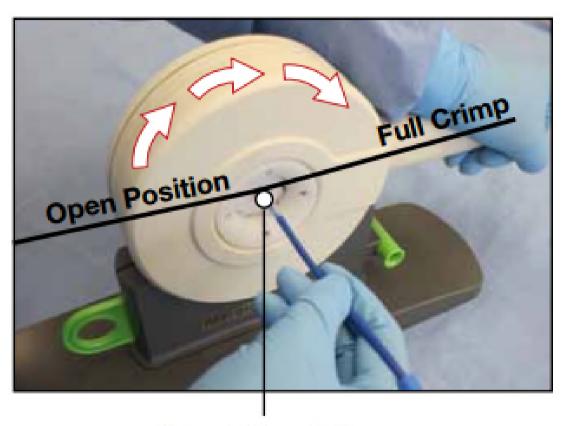


Claim 35	
Element	Accused Portion
[35 preamble] The stent crimper of claim 27	As shown in connection with claim 27, the Crimper includes all elements of claim 27. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 27, above.
[35a] wherein a stent is disposed about a	For example, the "Crimper is indicated for use in preparing the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve for implantation" using the Edwards Commander Delivery System, among other catheter delivery systems. It is also

medical balloon, the medical balloon disposed about a catheter.

used to prepare other Sapien products.

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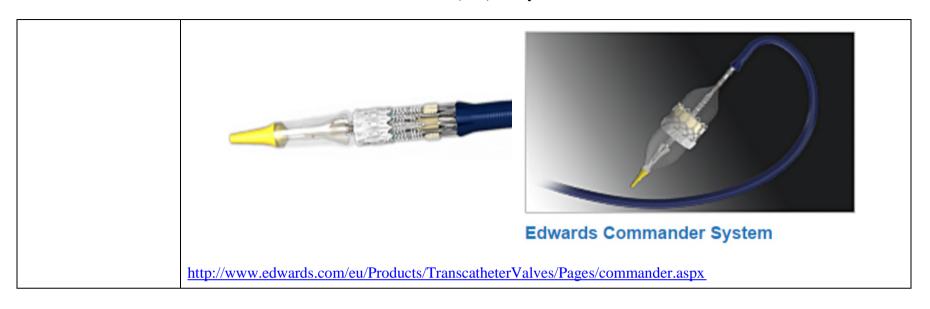
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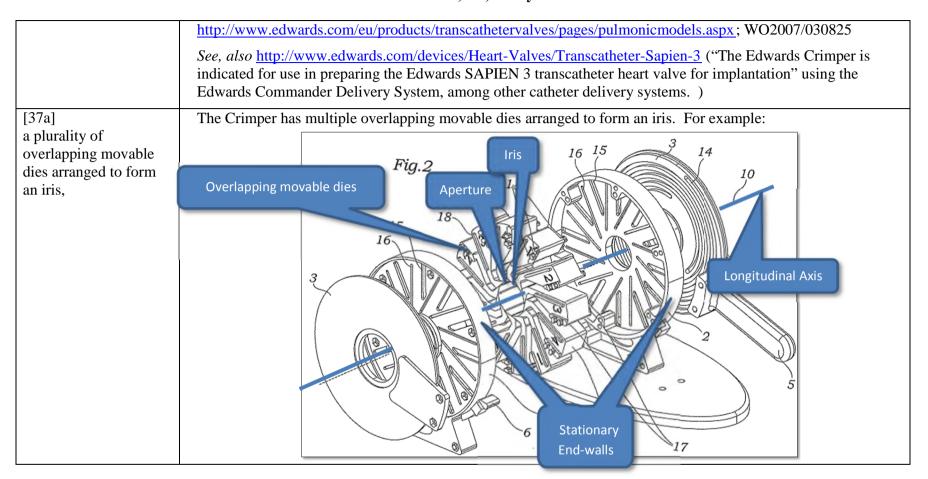
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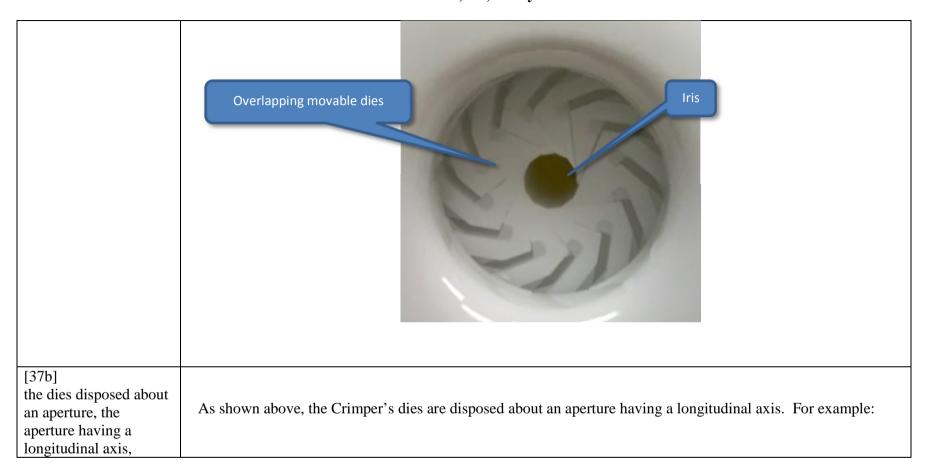
The Edwards Commander Delivery System includes a stent disposed about a medical balloon, the medical balloon disposed about a catheter.

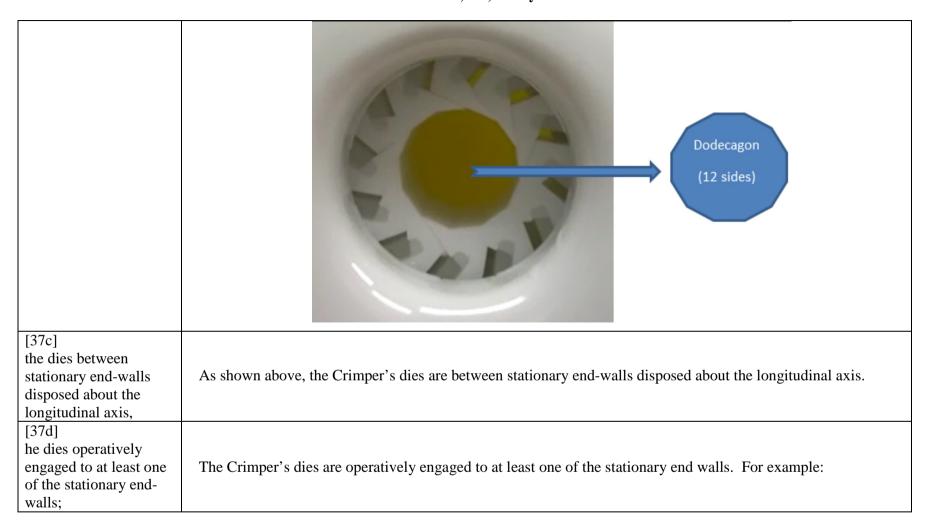


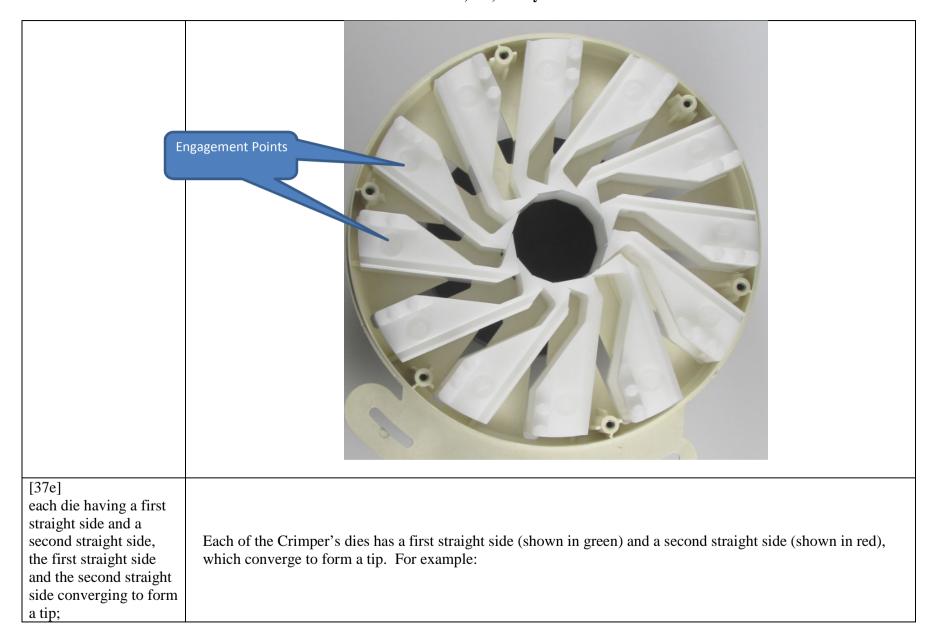
	Claim 37	
Element	Accused Products	
[37 preamble] A stent crimper comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, the Crimper is a stent crimper. For example: Fig.2 Fig	

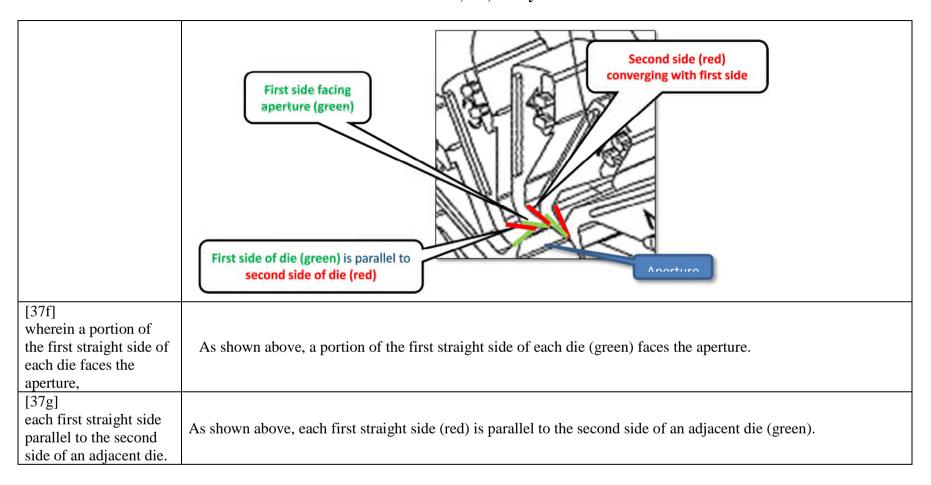
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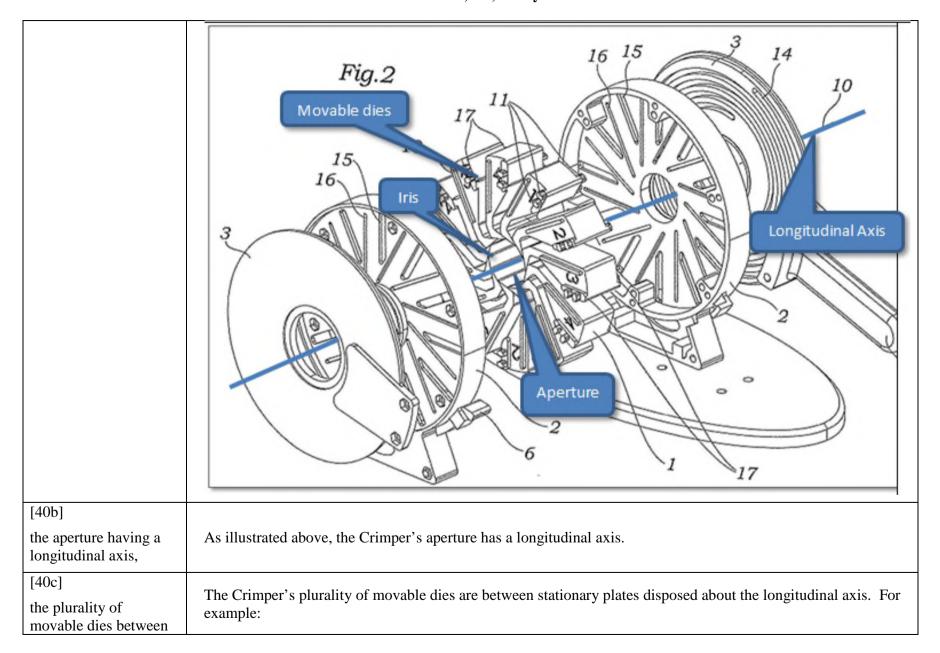








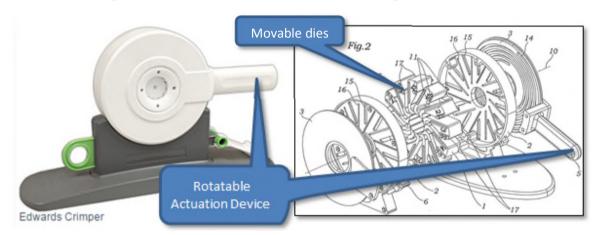
	Claim 40	
Element	Accused Products	
[40 preamble]	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, the Crimper is a stent crimper. For example:	
A stent crimper comprising:	http://www.edwards.com/eu/products/transcathetervalves/pages/pulmonicmodels.aspx; WO2007/030825 See, also http://www.edwards.com/devices/Heart-Valves/Transcatheter-Sapien-3 ("The Edwards Crimper is indicated for use in preparing the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve for implantation" using the Edwards Commander Delivery System, among other catheter delivery systems.)	
[40a]		
a plurality of movable dies arranged to form an iris disposed about an aperture	The Crimper has a plurality of movable dies arranged to form an iris disposed about an aperture. For example:	



stationary plates disposed about the 16 15 14 longitudinal axis, Fig.2 Movable dies 15 16 Longitudinal Axis Stationary Plates

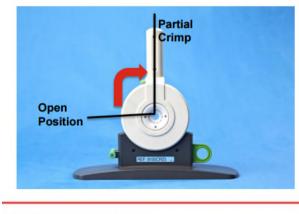
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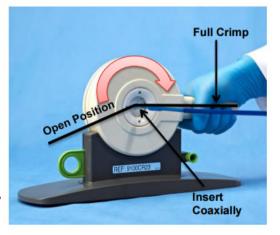
each die in communication with an actuation device, Each of the Crimper's dies is in communication with the Crimper's actuation device. For example:



[40e]

the actuation device constructed and arranged such that rotational motion of the actuation device opens or closes the aperture, The Crimper's actuation device is constructed and arranged such that rotational motion of the actuation device opens or closes the aperture. *See* http://market360online.com/sqlimages/1246/129856.pdf





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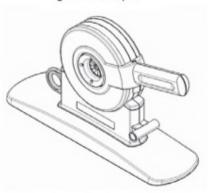
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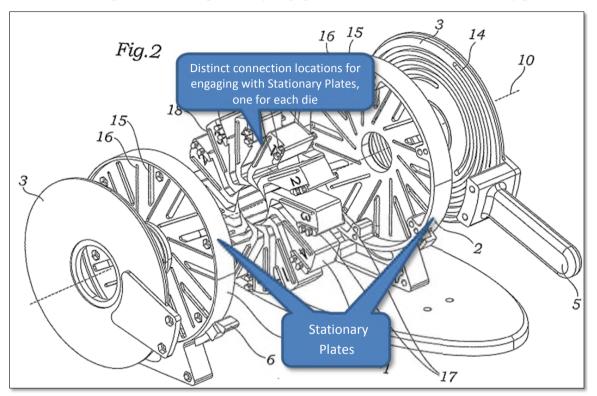
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Figure 4: Crimper



[40f]

the dies operatively engaged to at least one of the stationary plates; Each of the Crimper's dies are operatively engaged to at least one of the stationary plates. For example:



[40g]

each die having a first straight side and a second straight side,

Each of the Crimper's dies has a first straight side and a second straight side. For example:

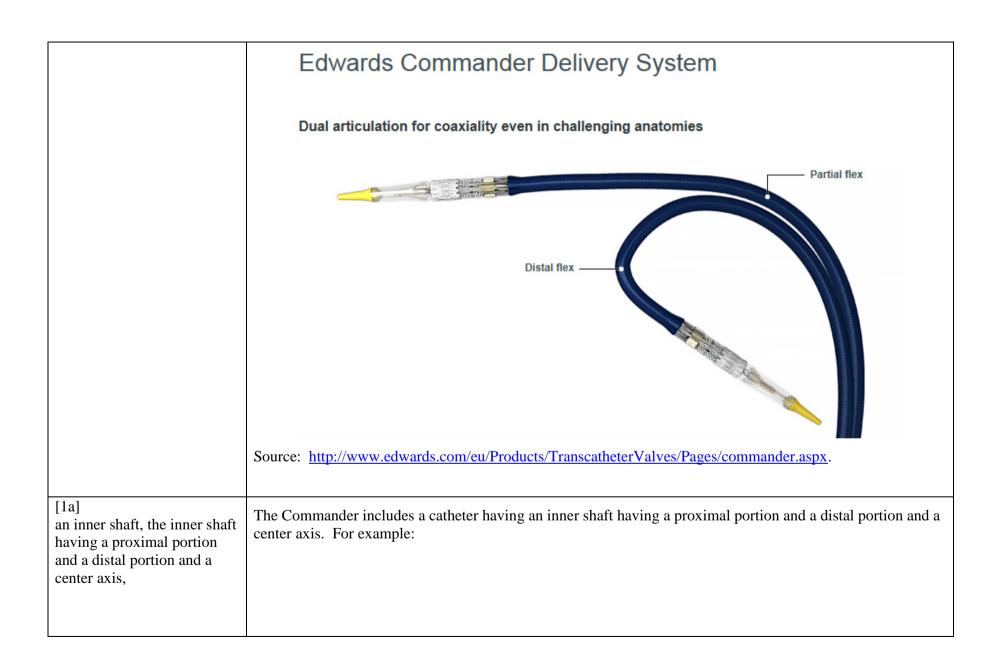
[40h]	First side facing aperture (green) First side of die (green) is parallel to second side of die (red) Aperture
the first straight side and the second straight side converging to form a tip;	As shown above, the first straight side (green) and the second straight side (red) converge to form a tip.
[40i] wherein a portion of the first straight side of each die faces the aperture,	As shown above, a portion of the first straight side of each die (green) faces the aperture.
[40j] each first straight side parallel to the second side of an adjacent die.	As shown above, each first straight side (red) is parallel to the second side of an adjacent die (green).

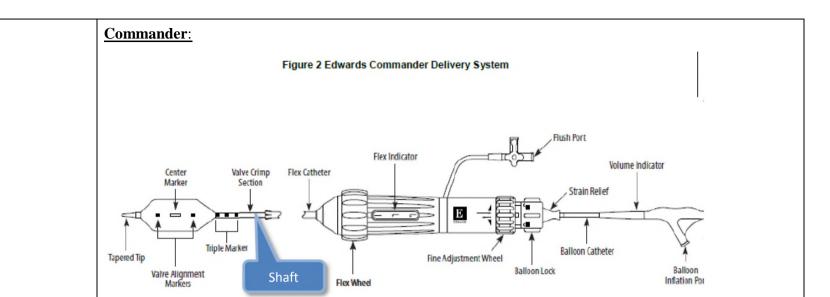
Ex. F: CLAIM CHART FOR INFRINGEMENT OF U.S. PATENT NO. 7,749,234 By Edwards

Claim 1		
Element	Accused Products	
[1 preamble ¹] A stent delivery catheter comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, on information and belief, Edwards made, used, offered to sell, and/or sold in the United States, and/or imported into the United States the balloon catheter used in its Commander Delivery System ("Commander") for delivery and deployment of its Sapien 3 product. For example:	
	Commander: The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .	

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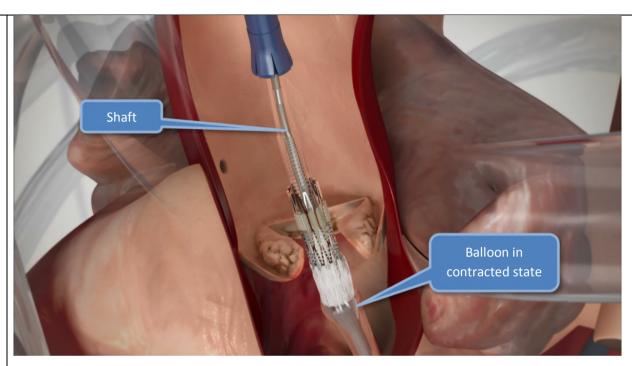




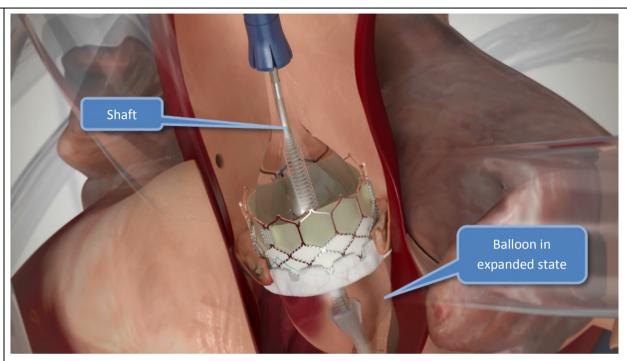
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[1b] an inflatable medical balloon positioned about the distal portion of the inner shaft, the medical balloon having an expanded state, a contracted state, a proximal end and a distal end, wherein the medical balloon can be expanded from its contracted state to its expanded state, and

The Commander includes an inflatable medical balloon positioned about the distal portion of the inner shaft, the medical balloon having an expanded state, a contracted state, a proximal end and a distal end, wherein the medical balloon can be expanded from its contracted state to its expanded state. For example:



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[1c] at least one mounting body secured to the inner shaft, inside the medical balloon and around the center axis, the mounting body having a length, a circumferential surface, wherein the

The Commander includes mounting body secured to the inner shaft, inside the medical balloon and around the center axis. The mounting body is in the form of a coil having a length and a circumferential surface that is outermost relative to the center axis and that faces radially away from the center axis and toward the medical balloon. The coil has a separation in the form of a spiral.

circumferential surface is a surface of the mounting body that is outermost relative to the center axis and that faces radially away from the center axis and toward the medical balloon, and having at least one separation in the circumferential surface,	Source: "635907831022739465-EdwardsCommander-Distal.Expand.Valve.png" available at http://www.app.com/story/news/health/cardiac/2016/02/11/heart-research-stem-cell/80054246/ .
[1d] wherein the at least one separation is exposed to a portion of the medical balloon which is located	The at least one separation of the Commander coil is exposed to a portion of the balloon. The at least one separation is a circumferential separation.

along a radial line which	
extends from the center axis	
and through the separation,	
the at least one separation	
being a circumferential	
separation,	
[1e]	The sail of the Common day is concluded a defending and an adial account
wherein the mounting body	The coil of the Commander is capable resiliently deforming under radial pressure.
is formed of a material which	
resiliently deforms under	
radial pressure.	

Claim 2		
Element	Accused Products	
[2 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.	
wherein the mounting body has a plurality of separations, the plurality of separations being distinct from one another and being linearly aligned with one another relative to the center axis and the plurality of separations being exposed to the medical balloon.	The spiral windings of the Commander coil comprise a plurality of separations.	

Claim 3	
Element	Accused Products
[3 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 2,	See claim chart for claim 2 above.
[3a] wherein the plurality of separations are substantially parallel and substantially circumferentially positioned around the mounting body.	The spiral windings of the Commander coil are substantially parallel and substantially circumferentially positioned around the mounting body.

Claim 5	
Element	Accused Products
[5 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 2,	See claim chart for claim 2 above.
[5a] wherein the plurality of separations form a plurality of linearly positioned separate rings, the separate rings being linearly aligned with one another and non-overlapping relative to the center axis.	The spiral windings of the Commander coil form a plurality of linearly positioned separate rings, the separate rings being linearly aligned with one another and non-overlapping relative to the center axis

Claim 6	
Element	Accused Products
[6 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[6a] wherein the separation is substantially along the entire length of the mounting body.	The spiral windings of the Commander coil comprise a separation substantially along the entire length of the mounting body.

Claim 7	
Element	Accused Products
[7 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[7a] wherein the separation is in	The Commander coil is in the form of a spiral.
the form of a spiral, the separate rings being linearly	
aligned with one another and non-overlapping relative to the center axis.	

Claim 8	
Element	Accused Products
[8 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 7,	See claim chart for claim 7 above.
[8a] wherein the separation is substantially along the entire length of the mounting body.	The spiral windings of the Commander coil comprise a separation substantially along the entire length of the mounting body.

Accused Products
ee claim chart for claim 1 above.
he Commander and the Sapien 3 comprise a stent crimped onto a medical balloon. For example: Ommander: Stent crimped onto medical balloon Durce: http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx .
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Claim 15	
Element	Accused Products
[15 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 13,	See claim chart for claim 13 above.
[15a] further including marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent.	The Commander includes marker bands positioned proximally and distally of the stent. For example:
	<u>Commander:</u>
	Figure 2 Edwards Commander Delivery System
	Center Valve Crimp Flex Gatheter Section Flex Marker Section Flex Wheel Strain Relief Strain Relief Flex Wheel Balloon Catheter Balloon Catheter Balloon Lock Balloon Inflation Pol Inflation For Use at 3 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh.docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

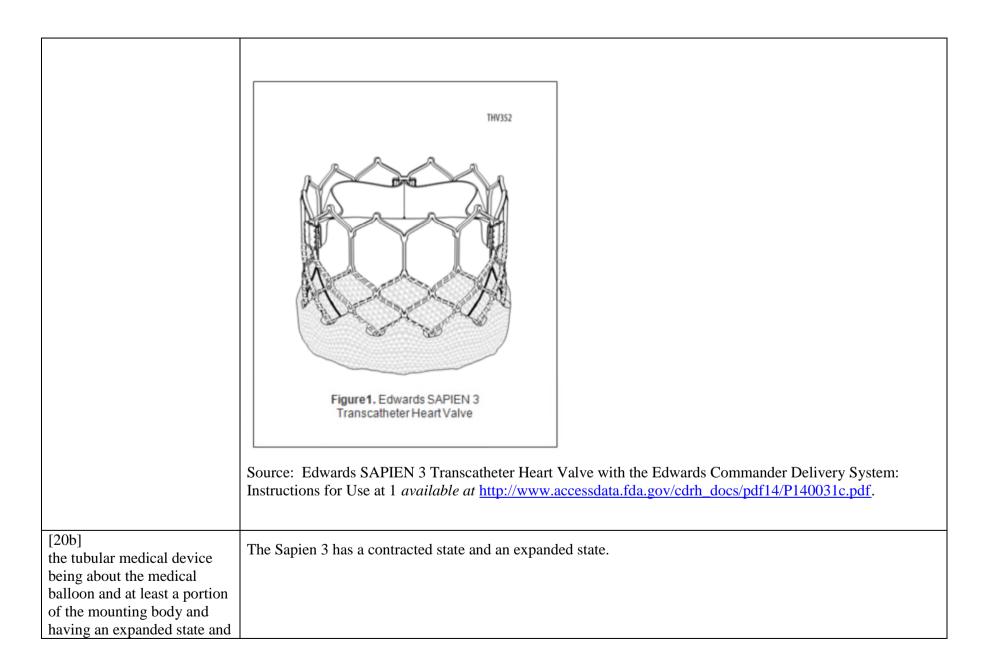
Before deployment, ensure that the THV is correctly positioned between the Valve Alignment Markers and the Flex Catheter tip is over the Triple Marker.
Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 11 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

Claim 18	
Element	Accused Products
[18 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 13,	See claim chart for claim 13 above.
[18a] wherein the mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent.	The portion of the Commander coil that comprises the mounting body is substantially the same length as the stent.

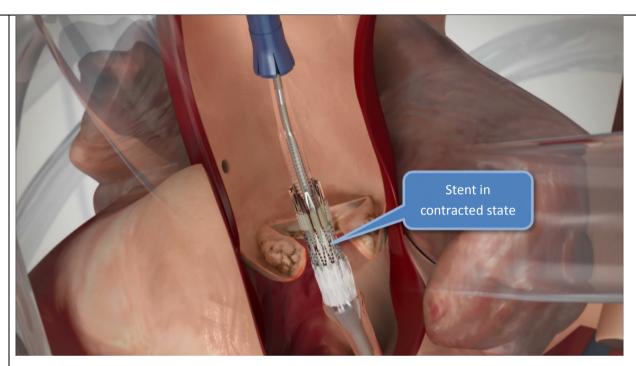
Claim 19	
Element	Accused Products
[19 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[19a] he mounting body having an outer diameter, wherein the outer diameter of the mounting body is	The portion of the Commander coil that comprises the mounting body is substantially constant along its length.

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its length.	

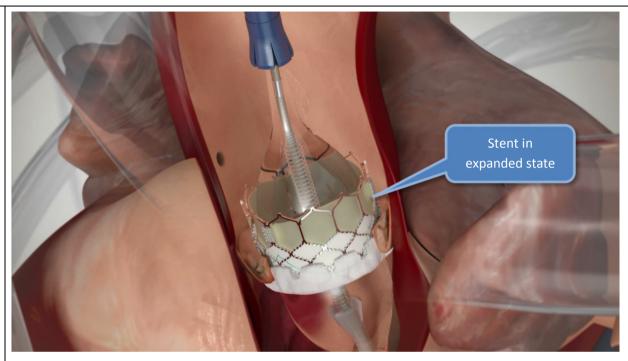
Claim 20	
Element	Accused Products
[20 preamble] The stent delivery catheter of claim 1,	See claim chart for claim 1 above.
[20a] further comprising a tubular medical device,	The Sapien 3 is a tubular medical device.



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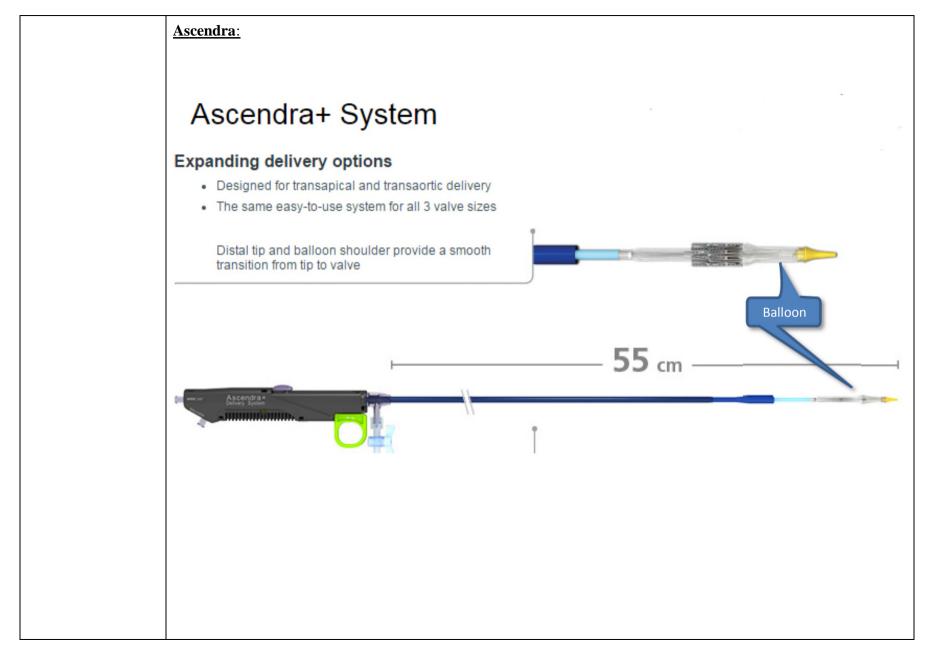
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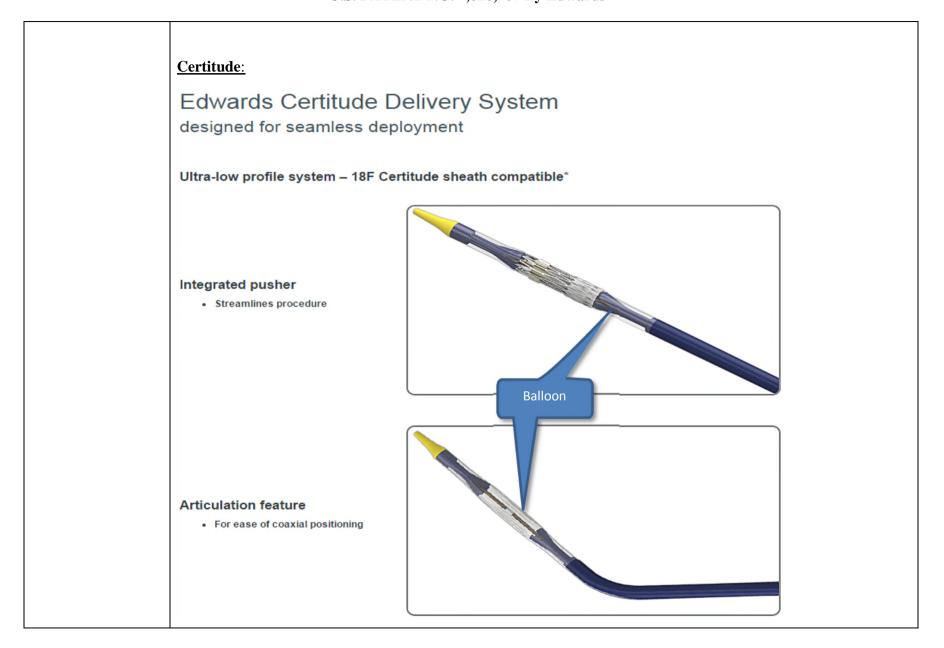


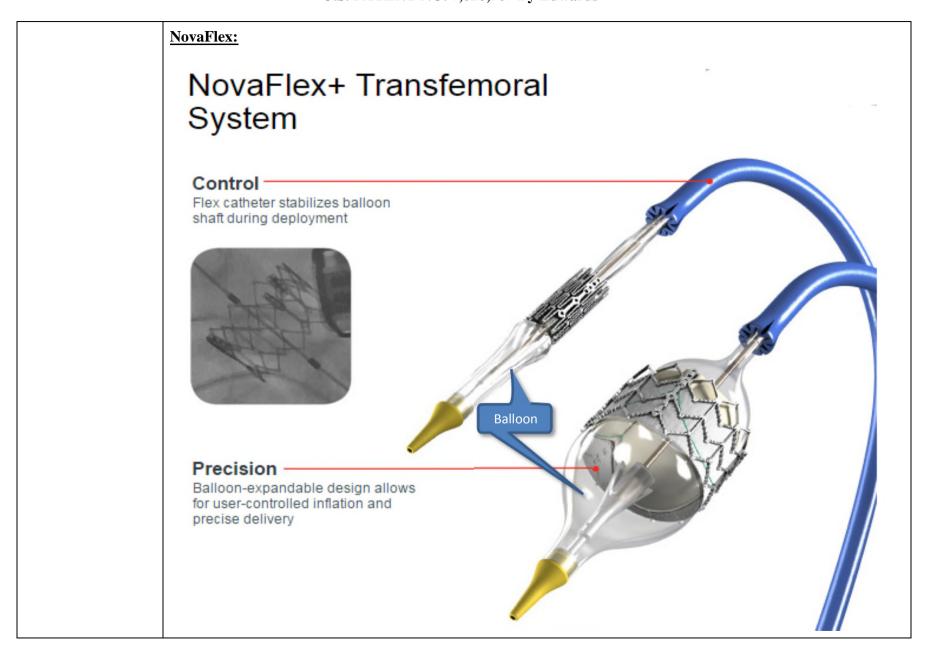
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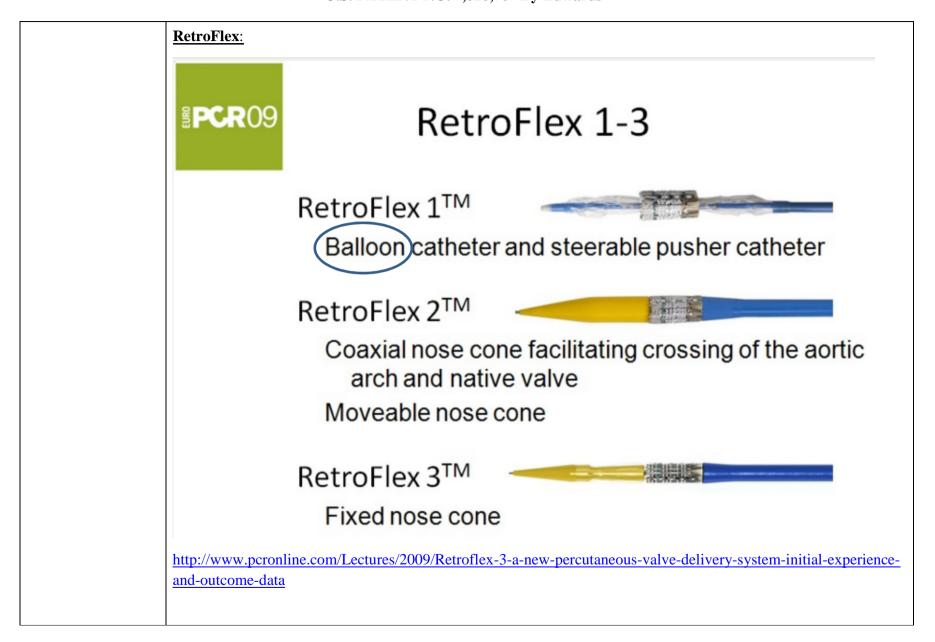
Claim 5		
Element	Accused Products	
[5 preamble ¹] A method for making a balloon catheter comprising:	On information and belief, Edwards made and/or makes each of the balloon catheters used in its Commander Delivery System ("Commander"), Ascendra Delivery System ("Ascendra"), Certitude Delivery System ("Certitude"), NovaFlex Delivery System ("NovaFlex"), and RetroFlex Delivery System ("RetroFlex") using the patented method detailed herein. On information and belief, unless otherwise noted, any differences between various versions or models of the delivery systems identified herein are immaterial to the assertions set forth herein.	
[5a] providing a balloon	Edwards provides a balloon cylinder in each of the accused products.	
cylinder,	Balloon http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wpcontent/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg	

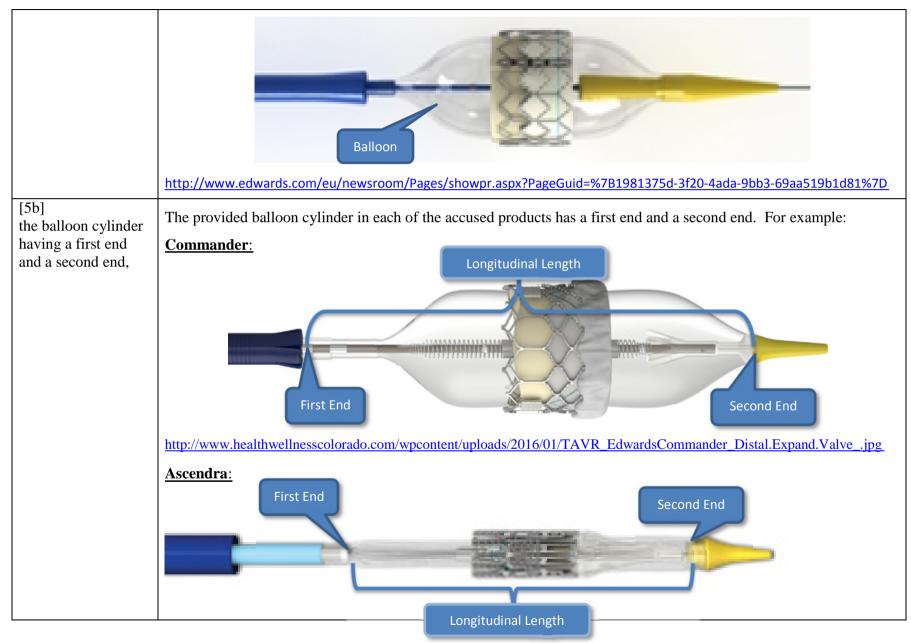
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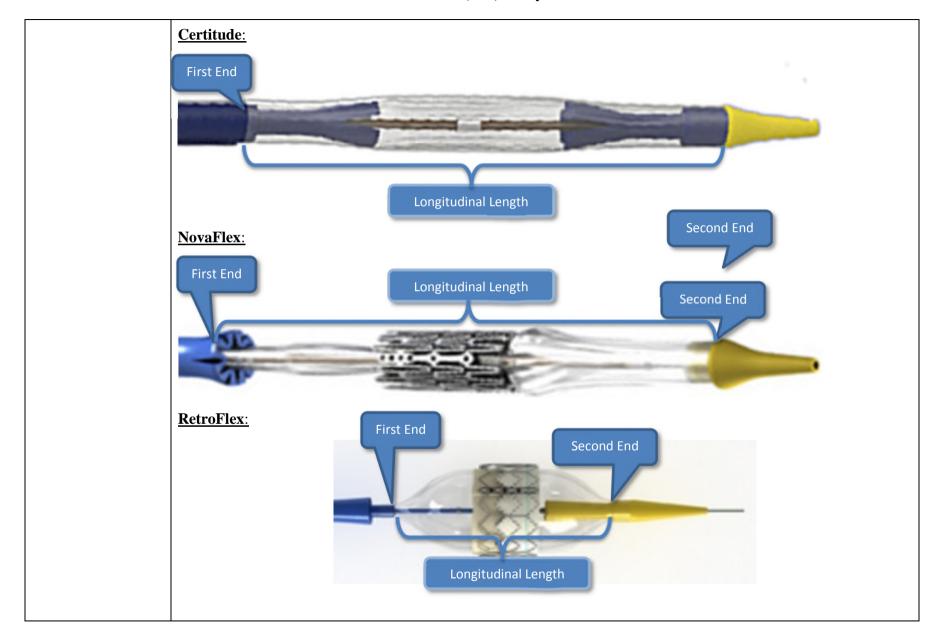




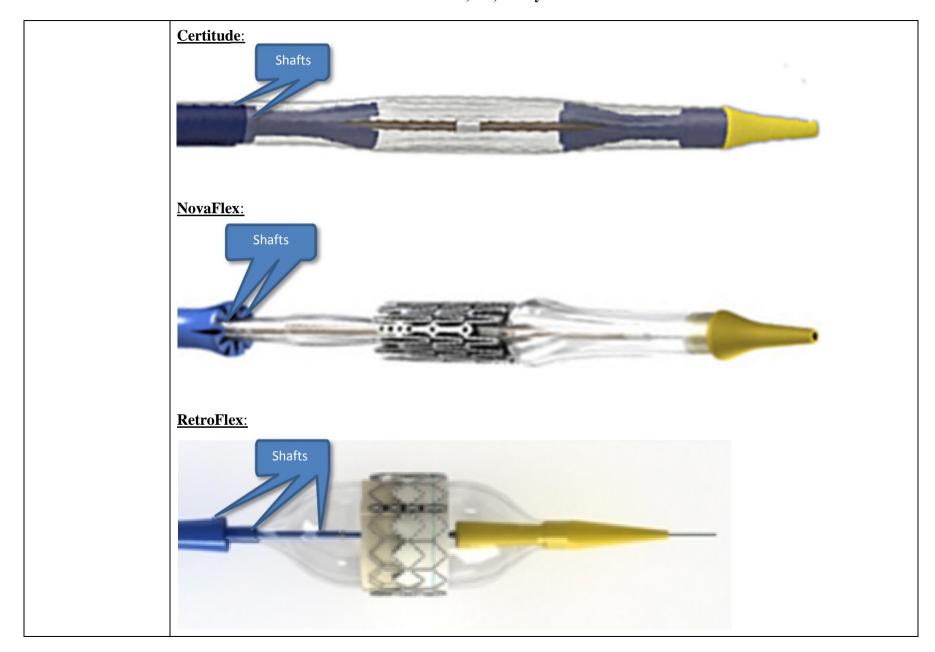




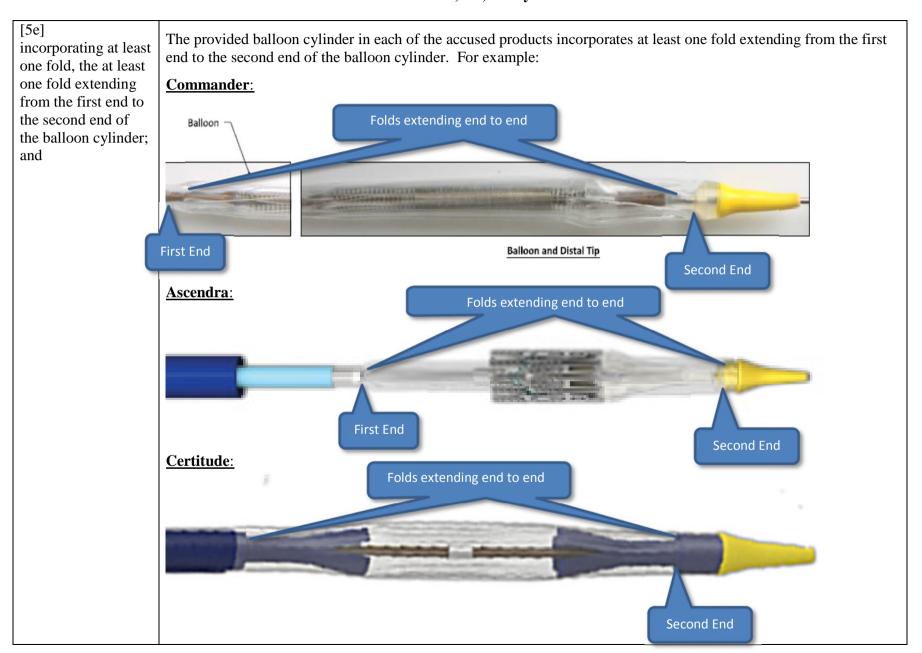


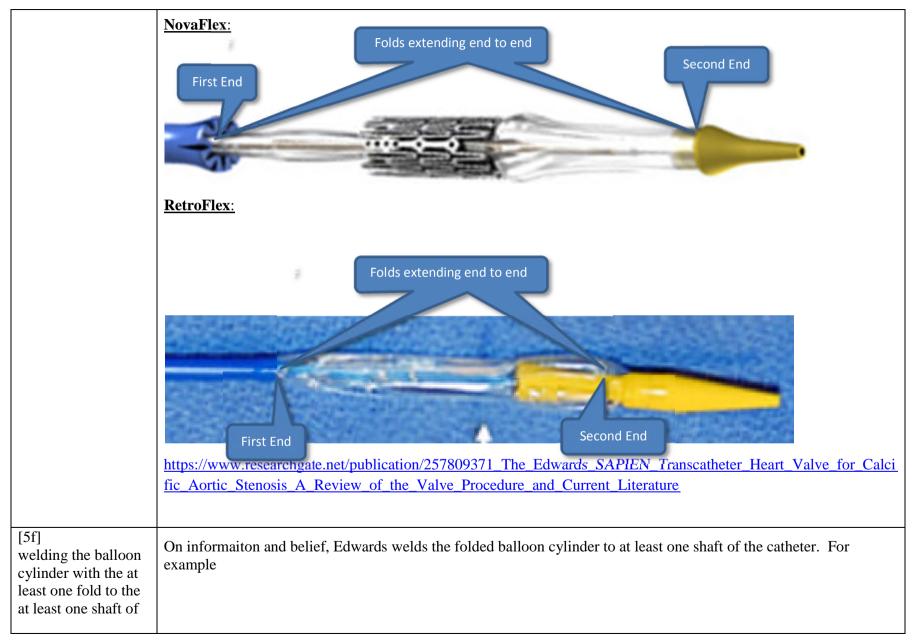


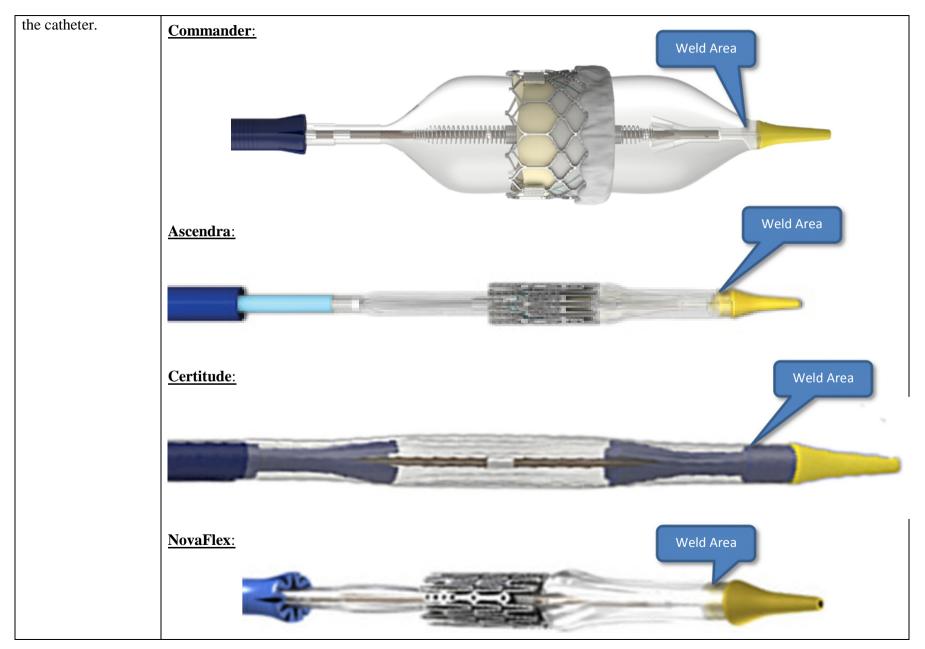
[5c] the first end and the second end separated by a longitudinal length;	As shown above, the first and second end of the provided balloon cylinder in each of the accused products is separated by a longitudinal length.
[5d] providing a catheter comprising at least one shaft;	Edwards provides a catheter comprising at least one shaft in each of the accused products, including, but not limited to, transition tubes. Commander:
	Shafts
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	Ascendra: Shafts



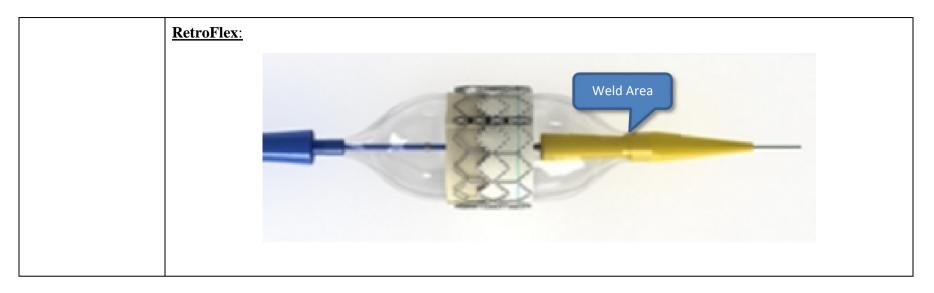
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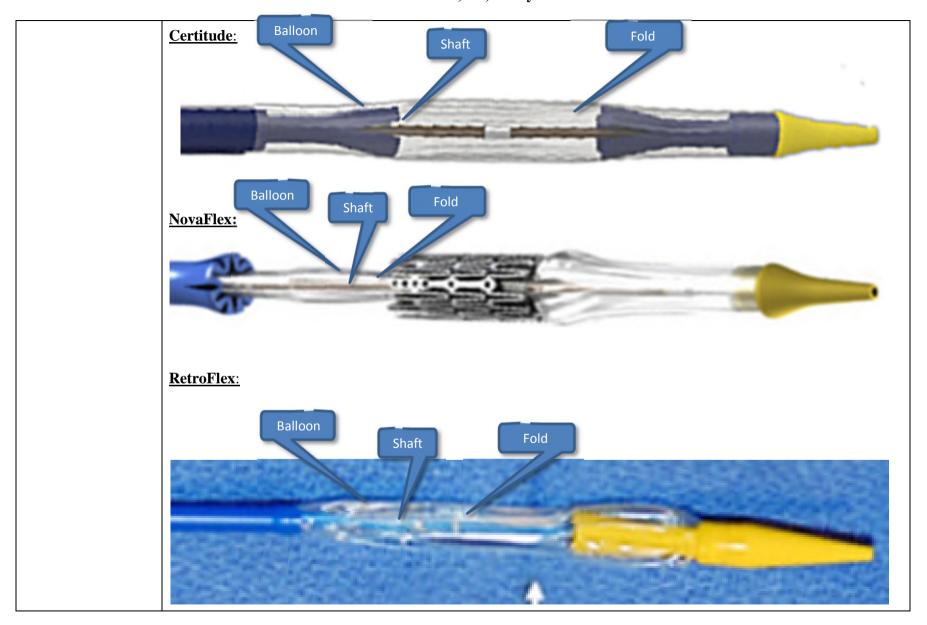


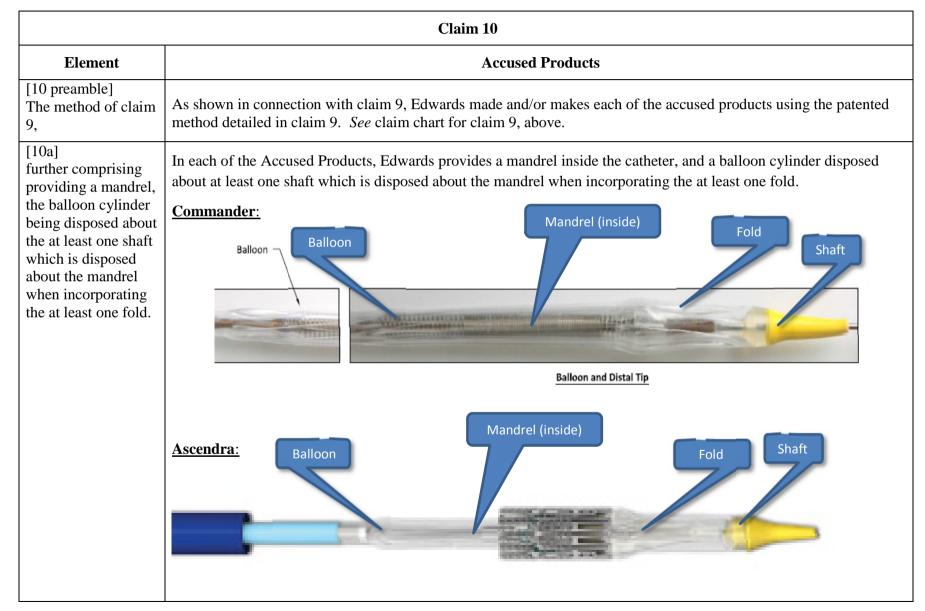
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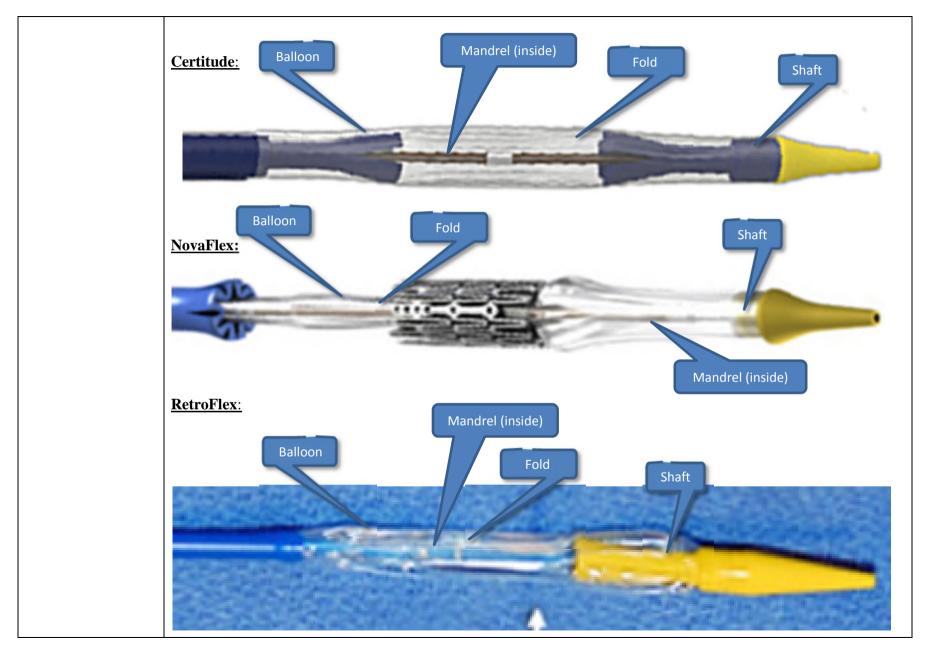
Claim 6		
Element	Accused Products	
[6 preamble] The method of claim 5,	As shown in connection with claim 5, Edwards made and/or makes each of the accused products using the patented method detailed in claim 5. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 5, above.	
[6a] wherein a laser is used to weld the balloon cylinder to the catheter.	On information and belief, a laser is used to weld the balloon cylinder to the catheter in each of the accused products.	

	Claim 9		
Element	Accused Products		
[9 preamble] The method of claim 5,	As shown in connection with claim 5, Edwards made and/or makes each of the accused products using the patented method detailed in claim 5. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 5, above.		
[9a] wherein the balloon cylinder is disposed about the at least one shaft when incorporating the at least one fold.	In each of the accused products, Edwards provides a balloon cylinder disposed about at least one shaft when incorporating the at least one fold. Commander: Balloon Shaft Balloon and Distal Tip		
	Ascendra: Balloon Shaft Fold		

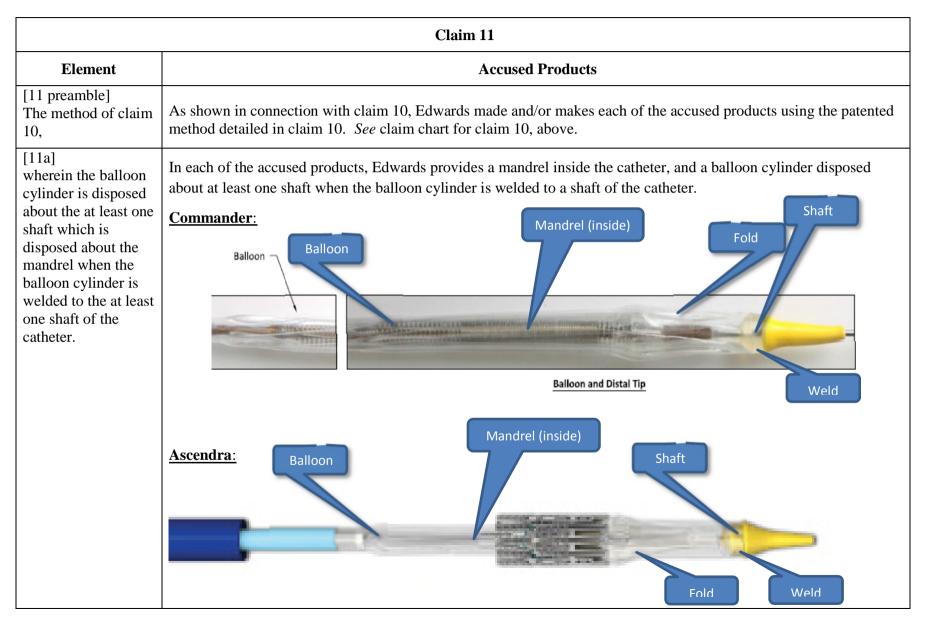




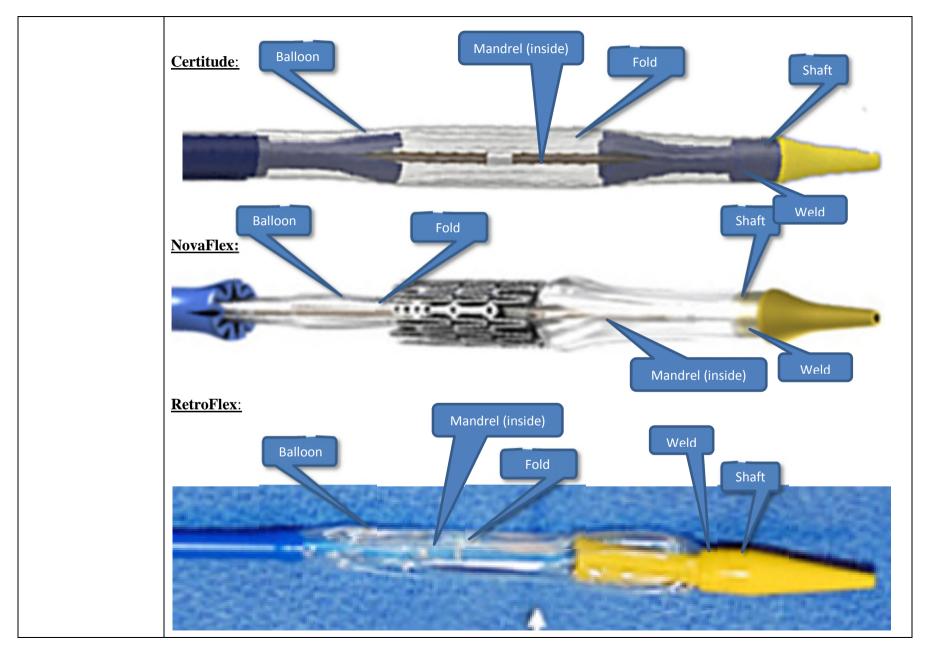
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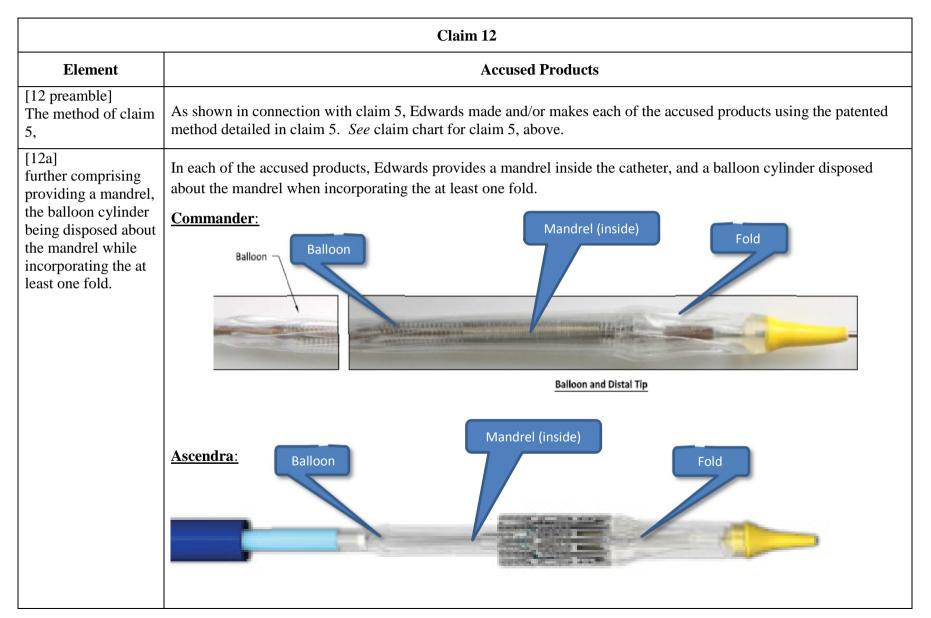
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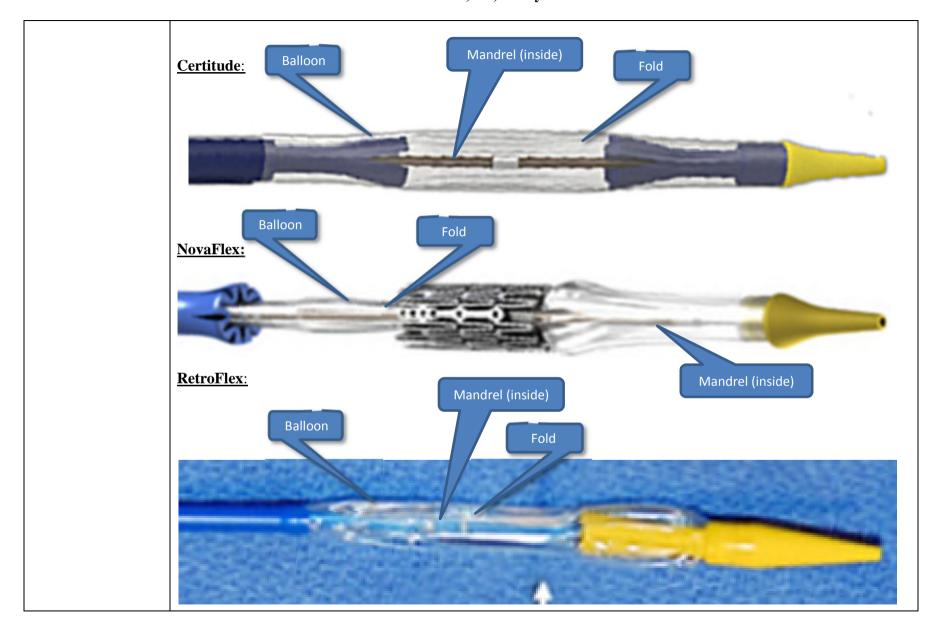


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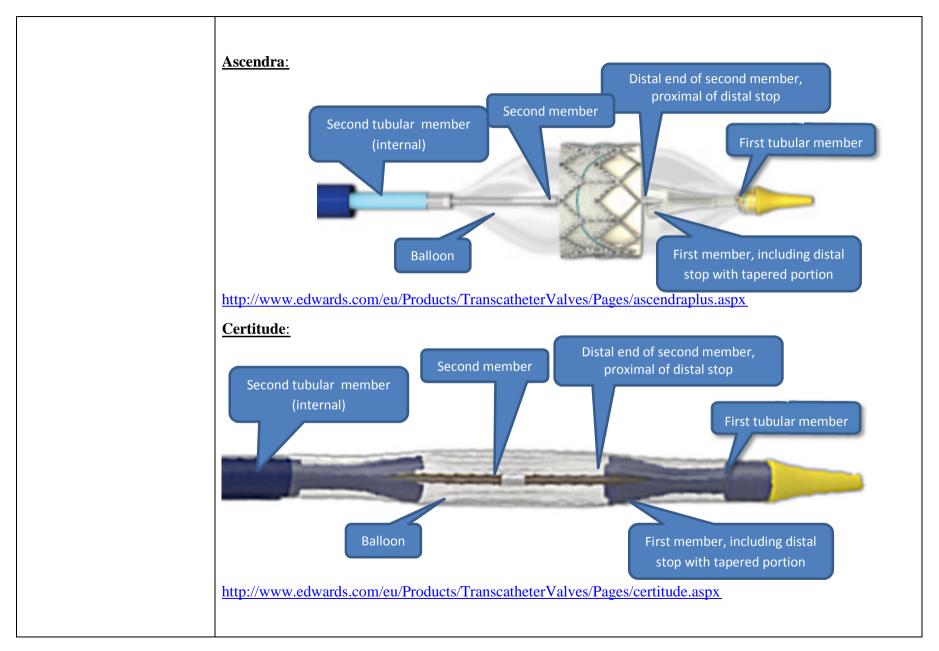


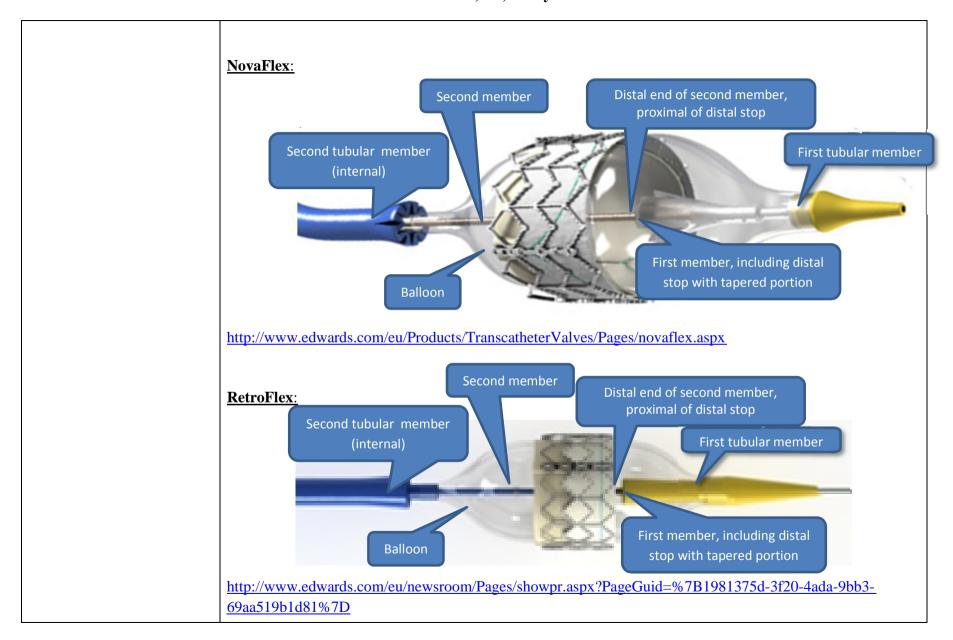


Claim 1		
Element	Accused Products	
[1 preamble ¹] A medical device, comprising:	To the extent the preamble is deemed a limitation, on information and belief, Edwards made, used, offered to sell, and/or sold in the United States, and/or imported into the United States its Commander Delivery System ("Commander"), Ascendra Delivery System ("Ascendra"), Certitude Delivery System ("Certitude"), NovaFlex Delivery System ("NovaFlex"), and RetroFlex Delivery System ("RetroFlex"), each of which are medical devices for delivery and deployment of its Sapien 3, and/or Sapien XT products. ²	
[1a] an elongate shaft including a first tubular member and a second tubular member;	Each of the accused products have an elongate shaft including a first tubular member and a second tubular member. For example: Commander: Second tubular member Second tubular member (internal) First tubular member First tubular member stop with tapered portion content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR EdwardsCommander Distal.Expand.Valve .jpg	

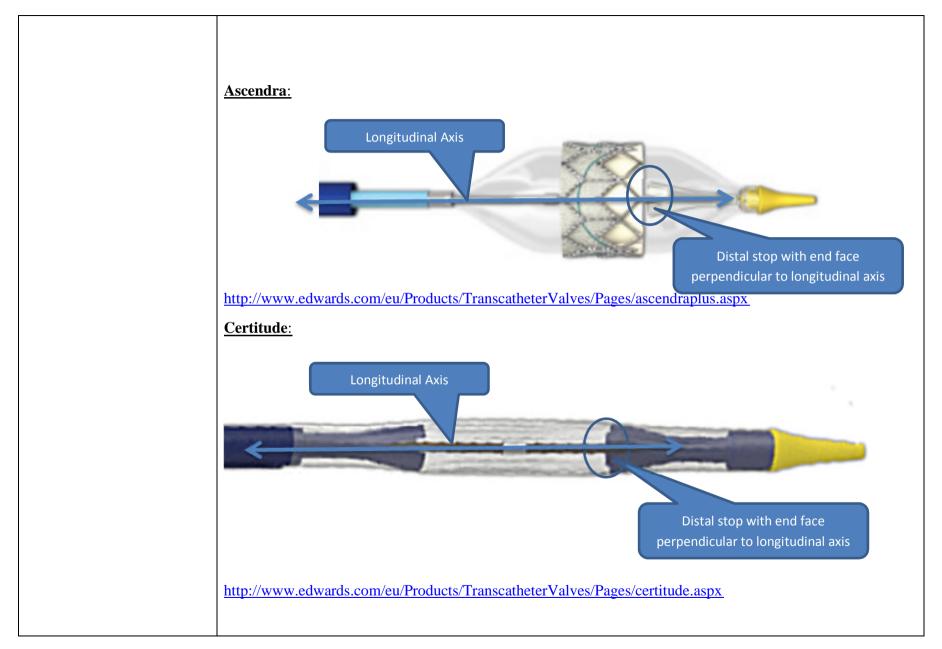
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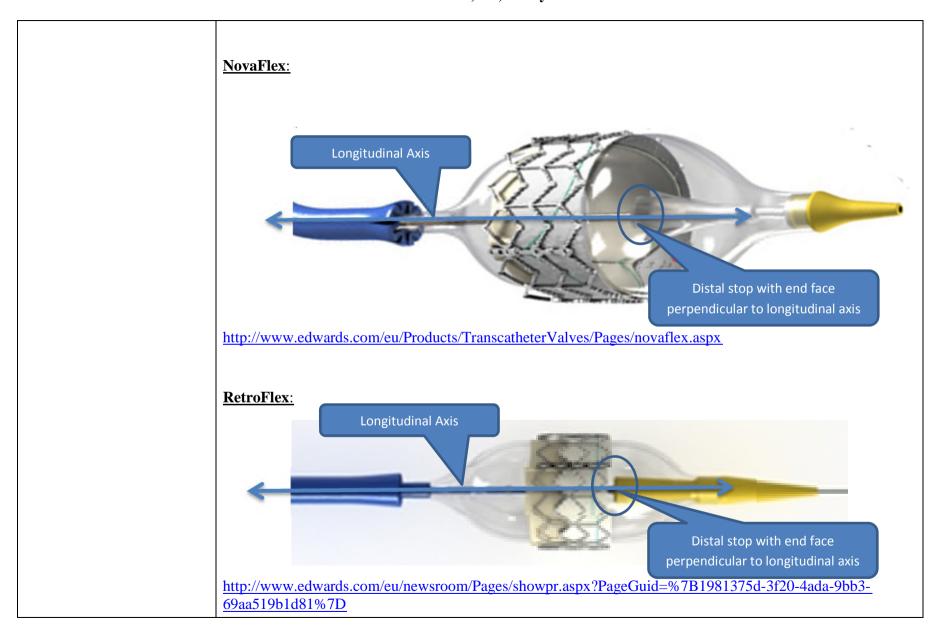
The Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien, and their corresponding delivery systems, are collectively referred to herein as the "Sapien products." On information and belief, unless otherwise noted, any differences between various versions or models of the delivery systems identified herein or between the Sapien 3, Sapien XT, and Sapien are immaterial to the assertions set forth herein.



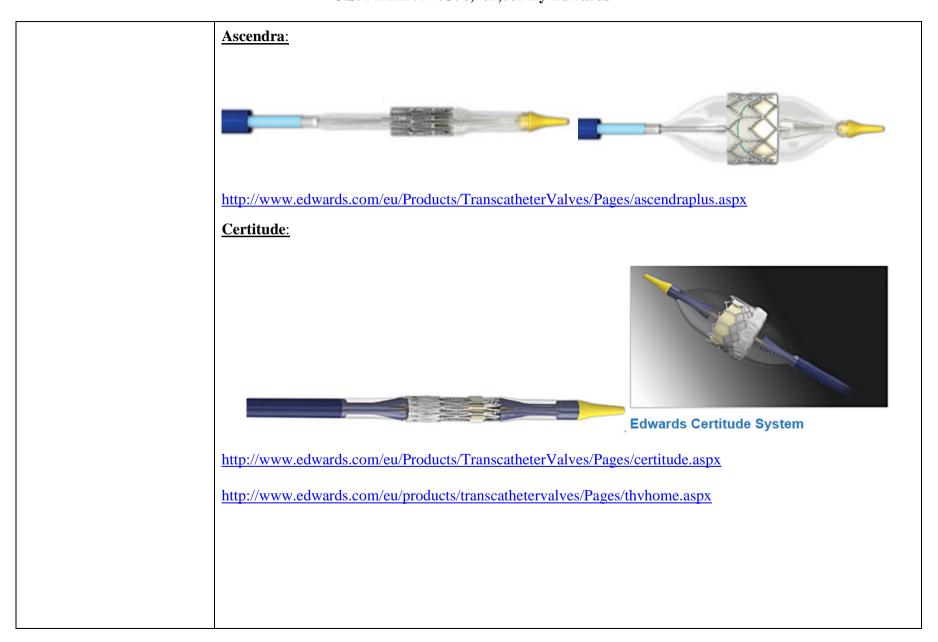


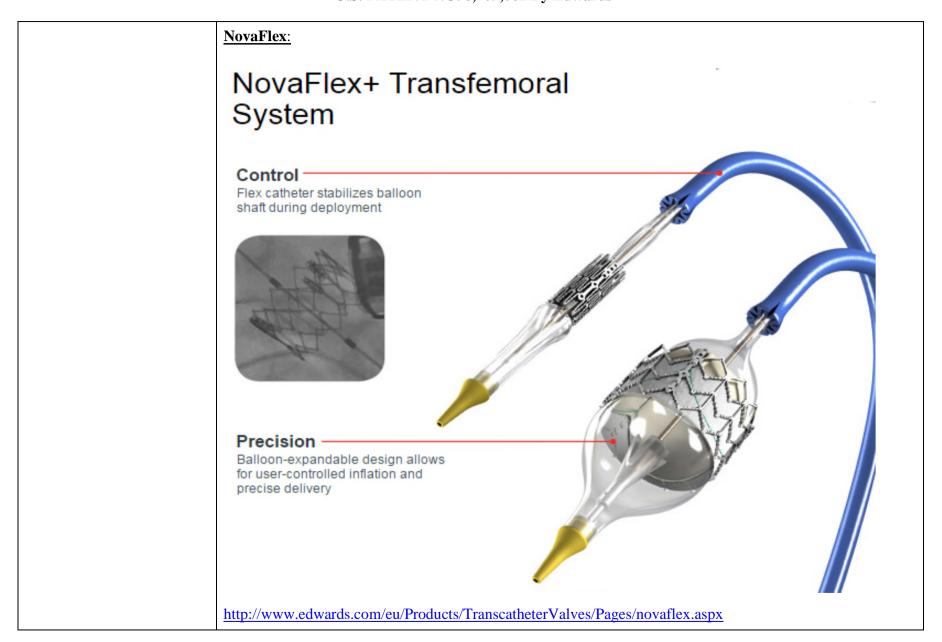
[1b] a balloon coupled to the shaft;	As shown above, each of the accused products has a balloon coupled to the shaft.
[1c] a first member coupled to the first tubular member and positioned within the balloon, the first member including a distal stop with a tapered distal portion;	As shown above, each of the accused products has a first member, including a distal stop with a tapered distal portion, coupled to the first tubular member and positioned within the balloon.
[1d] wherein the distal stop includes a proximal end face extending substantially perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the elongate shaft;	The distal stop on each of the accused products includes a proximal end face that is substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the elongate shaft. For example: Commander: Longitudinal Axis Distal stop with end face perpendicular to longitudinal axis
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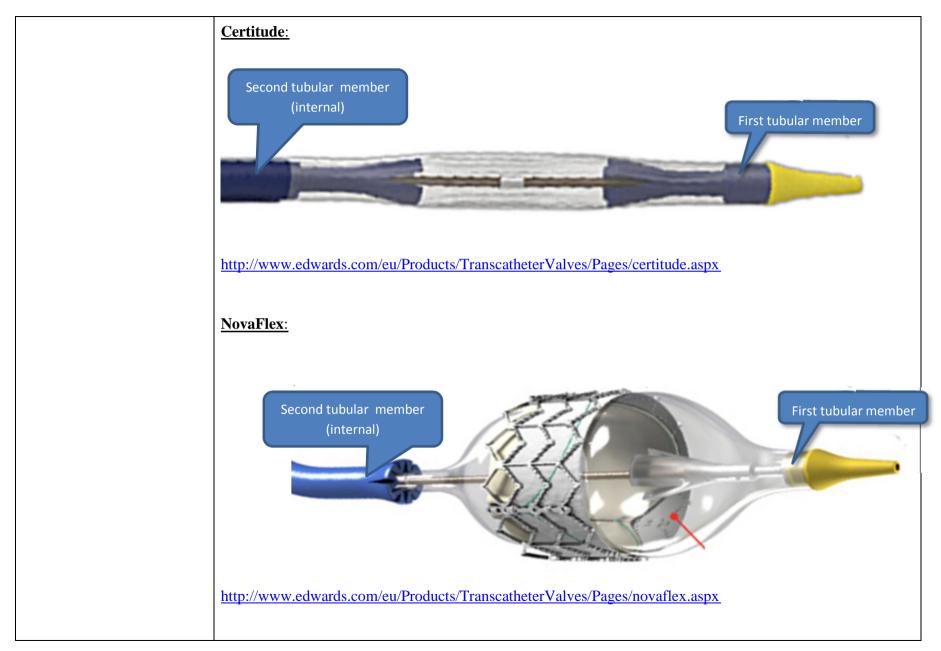
[1e] a second member coupled to the first tubular member and positioned within the balloon, the second member having a distal end disposed proximal of the distal stop; and,	As shown above (<i>see</i> [1a]), each of the accused products has second member with a distal end disposed proximal of the distal stop, coupled to the first tubular member, and positioned within the balloon.
[1f] a medical implant coupled to the shaft and positioned adjacent to the balloon.	Each accused product has a medical implant (such as the Sapien 3 or Sapien XT products) coupled to the shaft and positioned adjacent to the balloon. For example: Commander:
	Edwards Commander System http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx





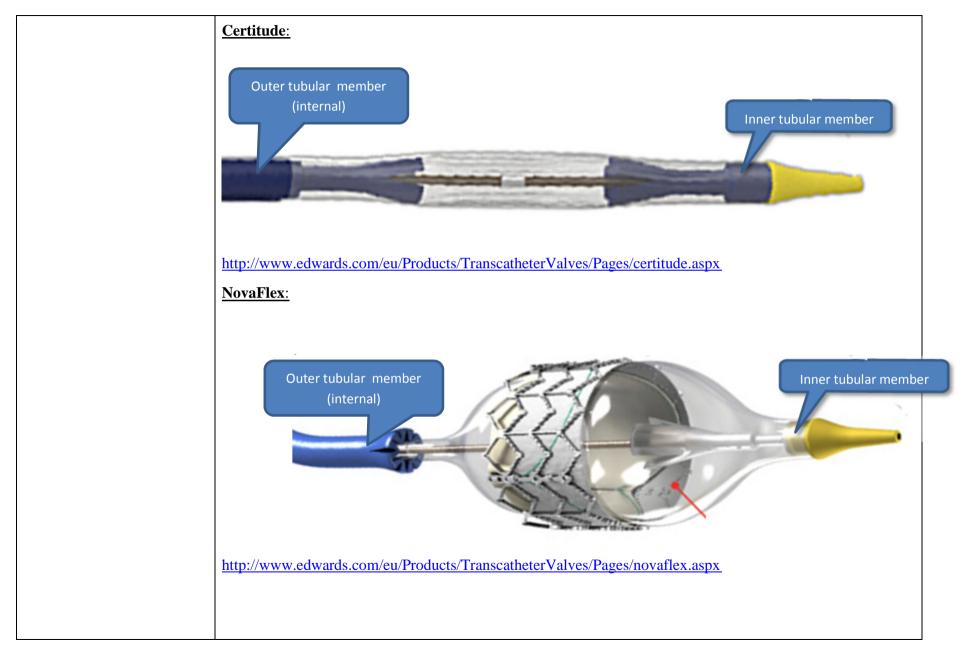


Claim 2	
Element	Accused Products
[2 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[2a] wherein the first tubular member is an inner tubular member and wherein the second tubular member is an outer tubular member.	Each of the accused products has an inner first tubular member and an outer second tubular member. For example: Commander: Second tubular member (internal) First tubular member
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	Ascendra: Second tubular member (internal) First tubular member
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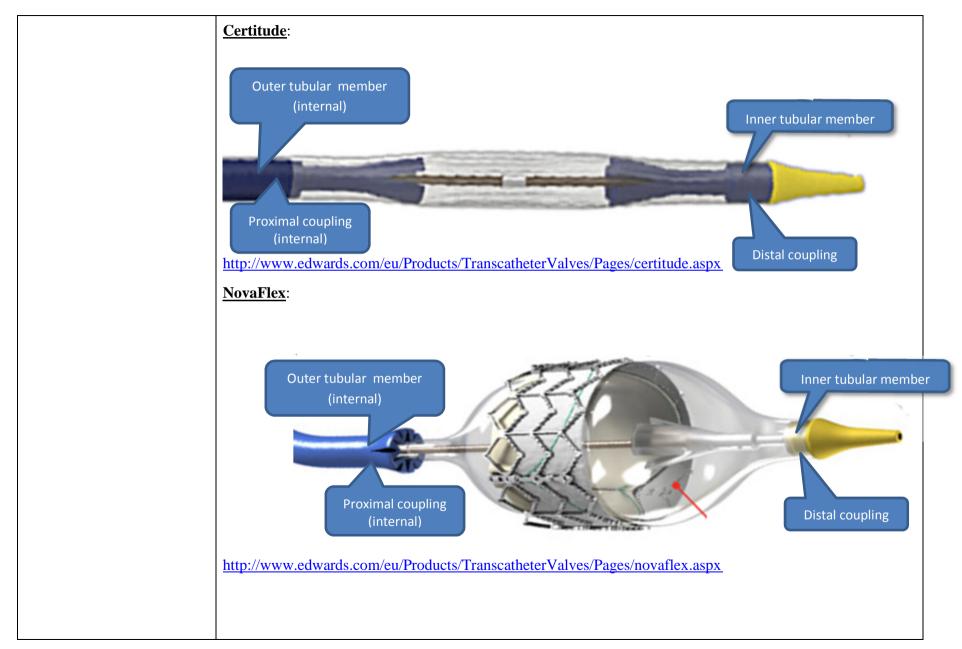
Claim 3	
Element	Accused Products
[3 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[3a] wherein an inflation lumen is defined between the inner tubular member and the outer tubular member, the inflation lumen being in fluid communication with the balloon.	In each of the accused products, an inflation lumen is defined between the inner and outer tubular members and is in fluid communication with the balloon. For example: Commander: Outer tubular member (internal)
	http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg Ascendra: Outer tubular member (internal) Inner tubular member http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/ascendraplus.aspx

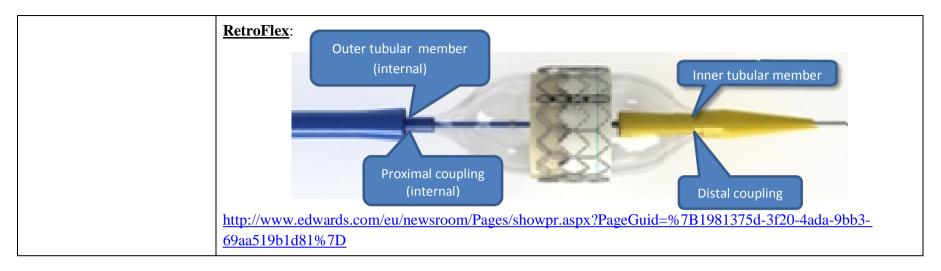


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Claim 4	
Element	Accused Products
[4 preamble] The medical device of claim 3:	As shown in connection with claim 3, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 3. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 3, above.
[4a] wherein the balloon has a proximal portion coupled to the outer tubular member and wherein the balloon has a distal portion coupled to the inner tubular member.	In each of the accused products, the proximal portion of the balloon is coupled to the outer tubular member and the distal portion of the balloon is coupled to the inner tubular member. For example: Commander: Outer tubular member (internal) Proximal coupling (internal) Distal coupling (internal) Ascendra: Outer tubular member (internal) Distal coupling (internal) Distal coupling (internal) Distal coupling (internal)
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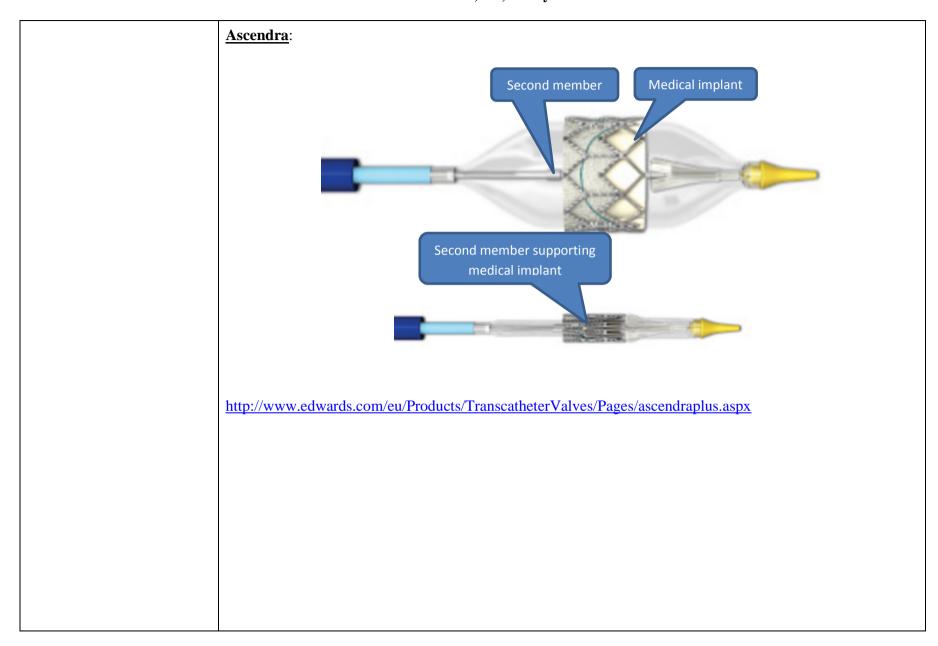


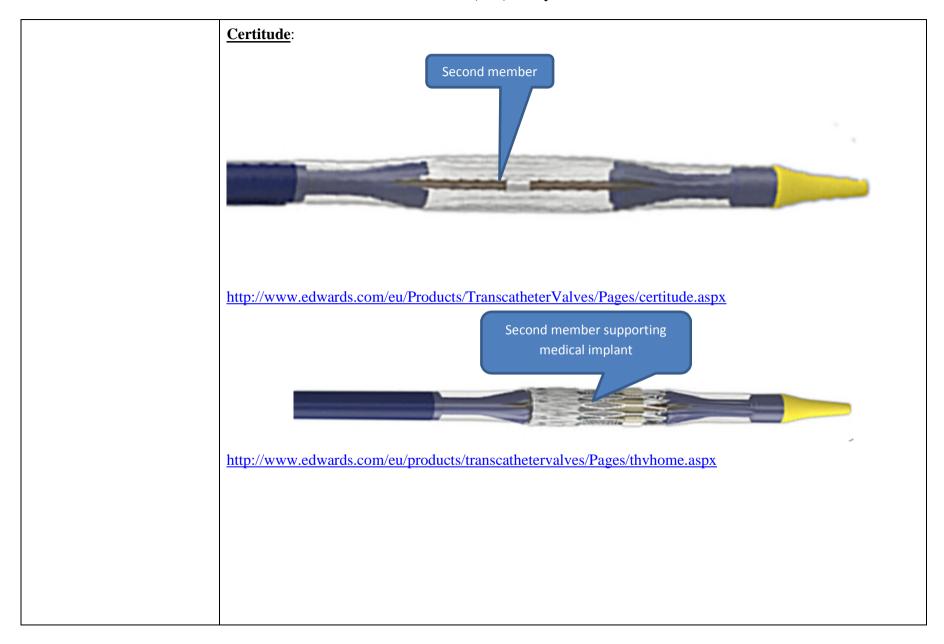


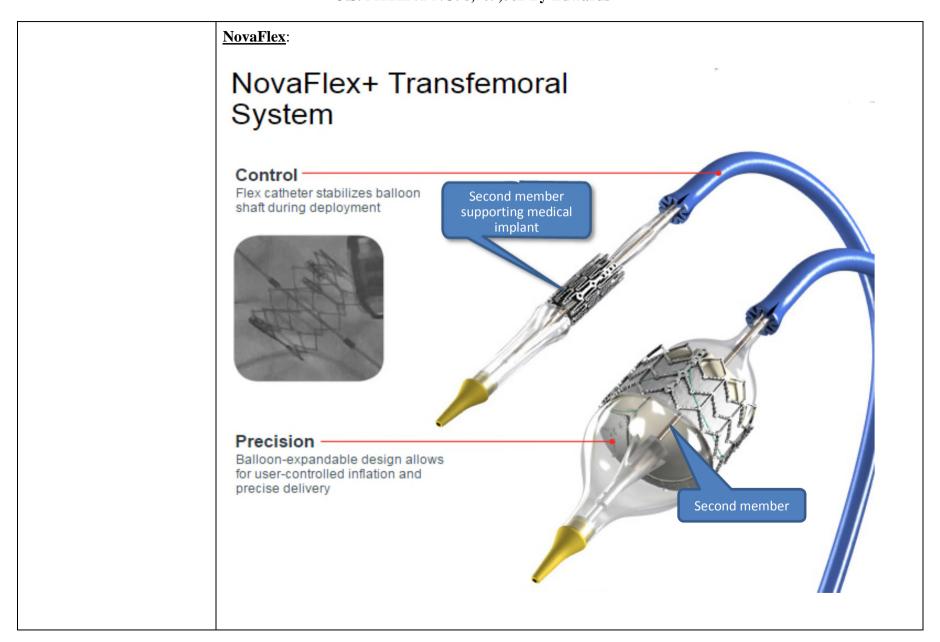
Claim 5	
Element	Accused Products
[5 preamble] The medical device of claim 4:	As shown in connection with claim 4, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 4. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 4, above.
[5a] wherein the proximal portion of the balloon is adhesively bonded to the outer tubular member.	On information and belief, in each of the accused products, the proximal portion of the balloon is adhesively bonded to the outer tubular member.

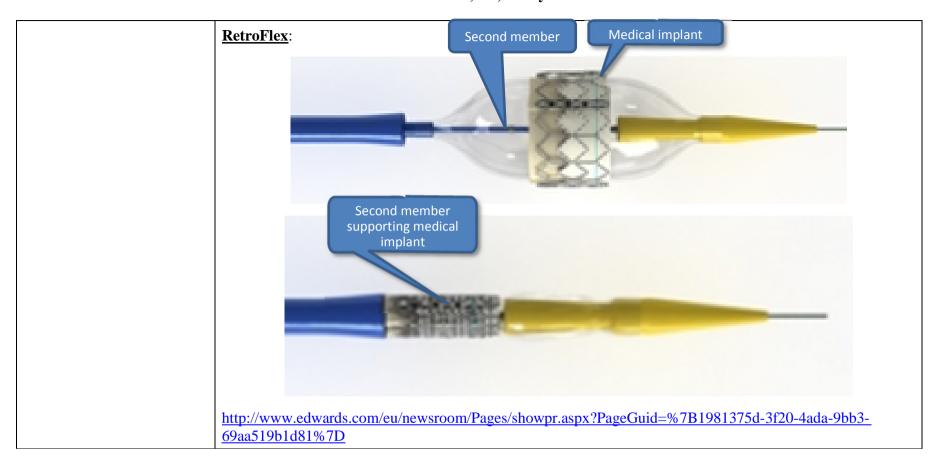
Claim 6	
Element	Accused Products
[6 preamble] The medical device of claim 4:	As shown in connection with claim 4, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 4. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 4, above.
[6a] wherein the distal portion of the balloon is adhesively bonded to the inner tubular member.	On information and belief, in each of the accused products, the distal portion of the balloon is adhesively bonded to the inner tubular member.

	Claim 7	
Element	Accused Products	
[7 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.	
[7a] wherein the second member	Each of the accused products have a second member configured to support the medical implant. For example:	
is a support member configured to support the medical implant.	Commander: Second member Medical Implant	
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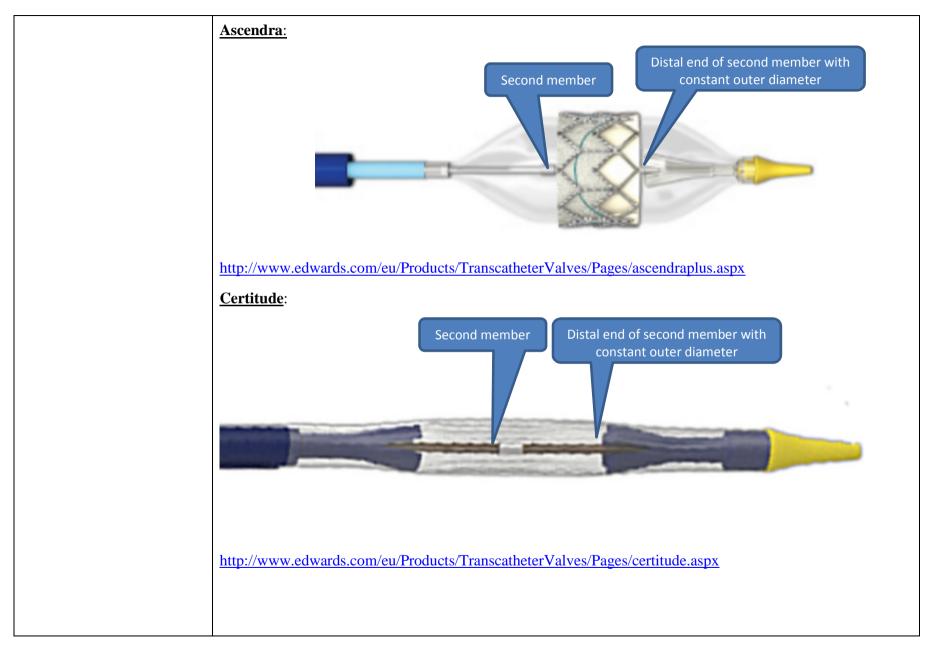


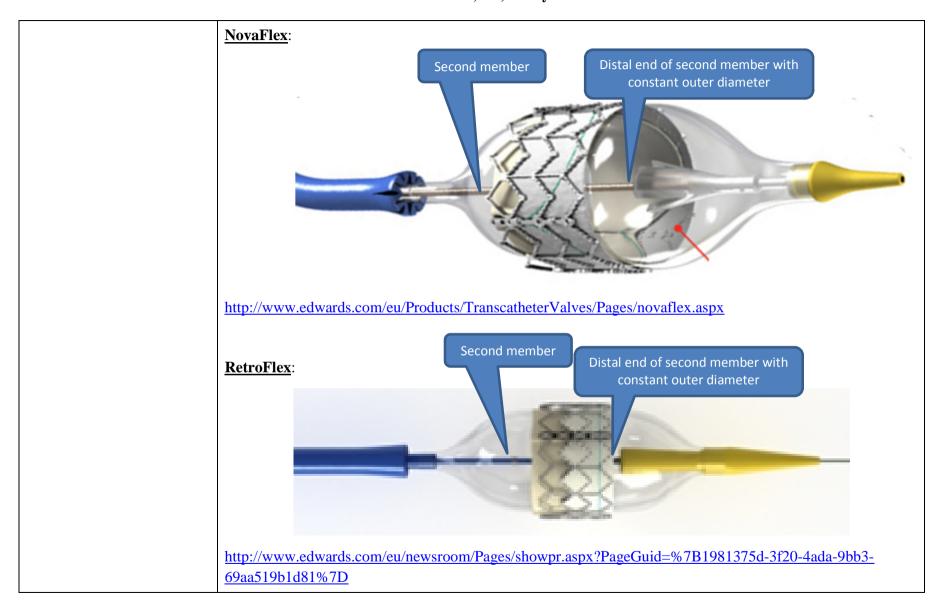




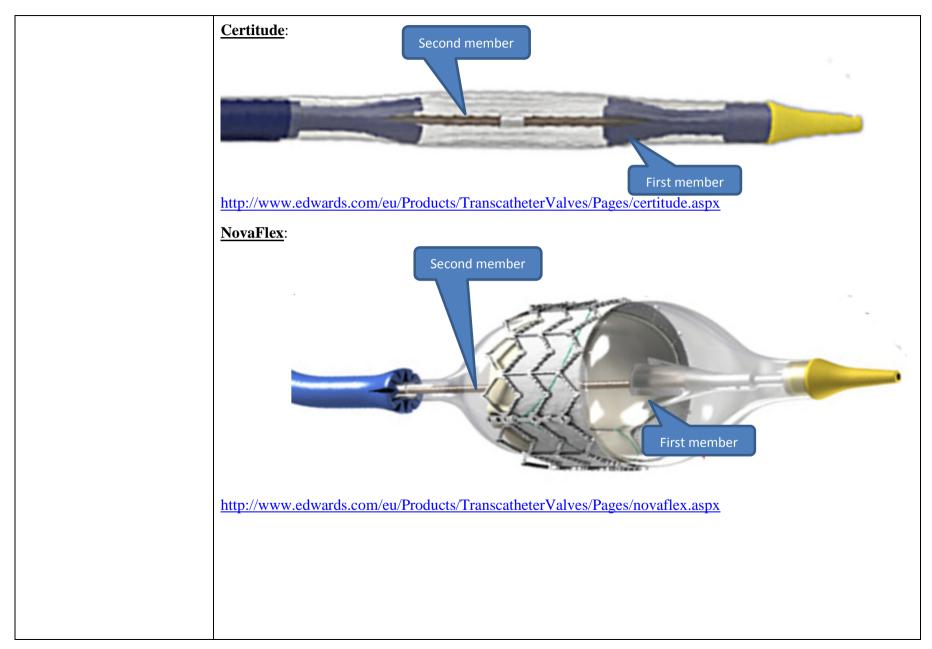


Claim 8	
Element	Accused Products
[8 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[8a] wherein the second member includes a distal portion having a substantially constant outer diameter.	Each of the accused products have a second member, the distal portion of which has a substantially constant outer diameter. For example: Commander: Second member Second member Distal end of second member with constant outer diameter http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR EdwardsCommander Distal.Expand.Valve .jpg





Claim 9	
Element	Accused Products
[9 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[9a] wherein the first member and the second member are	In each of the accused products, the first member and second member are longitudinally spaced from each other. For example:
longitudinally spaced from each other.	Commander: Second member First member
	http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg
	Ascendra: Second member First member
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Claim 10	
Element	Accused Products
[10 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[10a] wherein the medical implant includes a stent.	As shown in connection with claim 1 above, each accused product has a medical implant (such as the Sapien 3 or Sapien XT products) coupled to the shaft and positioned adjacent to the balloon. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1f, above. For example:
	Each of the Sapien products comprises a stent. For example:
	The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .
	The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt- chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf .
	The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 <i>available at</i> http://www.fda.gov/downloads/AdvisoorySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf .

Claim 11	
Element	Accused Products
[11 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[11a] wherein the medical implant is configured to be expanded	As shown in connection with claim 1 above, each accused product has a medical implant (such as the Sapien 3 or Sapien XT products) coupled to the shaft and positioned adjacent to the balloon. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1f, above.
by expanding the balloon.	Each of the Sapien products comprises a balloon-expandable stent. For example:
	The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System:
	Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .
	The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt- chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf .
	The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

Each of the Accused Products uses a balloon to expand the stent. For example:

Commander:



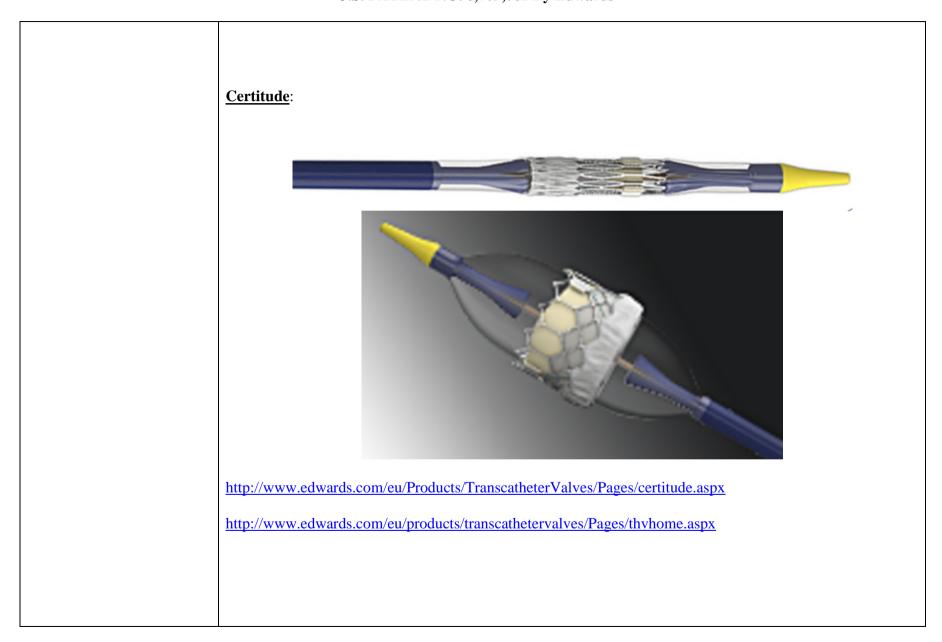
Edwards Commander System

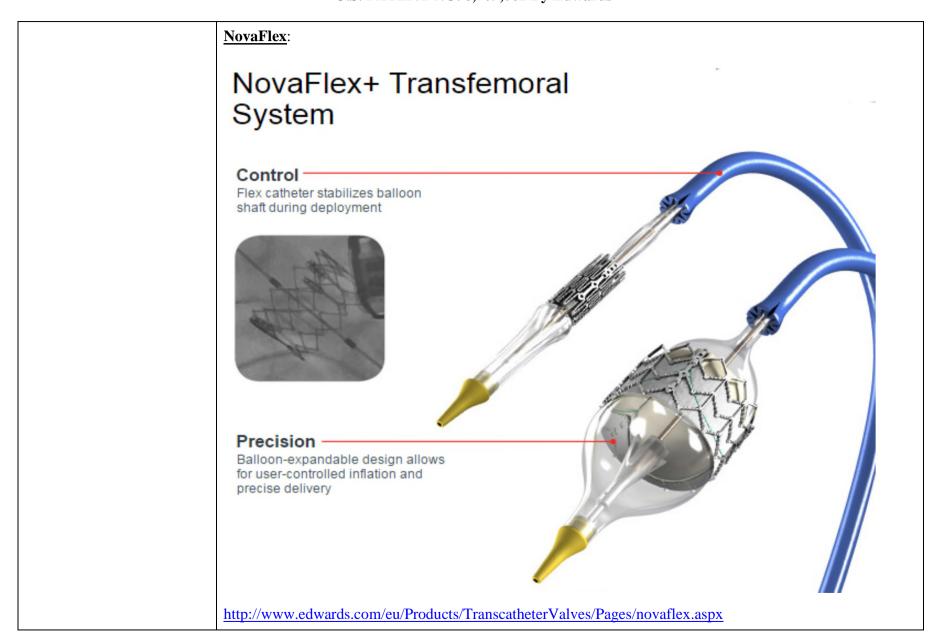
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Ascendra:



 $\underline{http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/ascendraplus.aspx}$





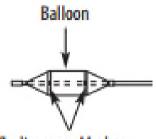


Claim 12	
Element	Accused Products
[12 preamble] The medical device of claim 1:	As shown in connection with claim 1, each of the accused products include all elements of claim 1. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 1, above.
[12a] wherein the first member, the second member, or both	Each of the accused products contains radiopaque markers on either the first or second members. For example:
include a radiopaque marker.	<u>Commander</u> :
	Edwards Commander Delivery System (Figure 2)
	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:
	Center Valve Crimp Marker Section Tapered Tip Valve Alignment Markers
	Commander Instructions for Use, pp. 2, 3 - http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf

Ascendra:

1.0 Device Description

The Ascendra Balloon Aortic Valvuloplasty Catheter (Figure 1 on page 2) consists of a shaft and balloon with radiopaque marker bands indicating working length of the balloon. At the proximal end of the device, there is a standard "Y-connector" for balloon inflation and the guidewire lumen. An extension tubing is supplied for use with the balloon valvuloplasty catheter during inflation. The inflation parameters are as follows:



Radiopaque Markers

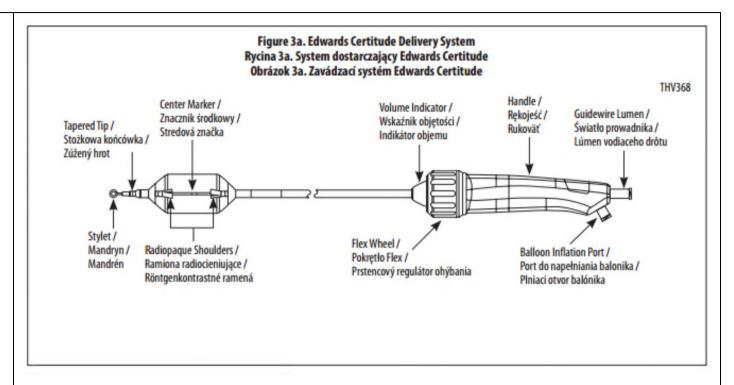
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Certitude:

Edwards Certitude Delivery System (Figures 3a, 3b, & 3c)

The Edwards Certitude delivery system includes a handle with a Flex Wheel for articulation of the Balloon Catheter and a Loader. The loader allows for the delivery of the crimped THV through the hemostasis valves of the sheath. Three radiopaque indicators on the catheter shaft define the position on the balloon where the THV should be crimped and also provide visualization of the balloon. The THV is crimped between the two radiopaque shoulders on the distal and proximal ends of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. An inflation and guidewire hub is housed in the handle assembly. The Qualcrimp crimping accessory (packaged with the Edwards Certitude delivery system) is used during crimping of the THV.



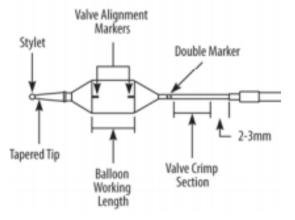
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NovaFlex:

· NovaFlex+ Delivery System (Figures 2a, 2b, 2c)

The NovaFlex+ delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve. The delivery system includes a flex wheel for articulation of the flex catheter, a tapered tip at the distal end of the delivery system to facilitate crossing the valve, and a balloon catheter for deployment of the THV. The handle also contains a flex indicator depicting articulation of the flex catheter, a valve alignment wheel for fine adjustment of the THV during valve alignment, a button that enables movement between handle positions, and a flush port to flush the flex catheter. The balloon catheter has radiopaque markers defining the valve alignment position and the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque double marker proximal to the balloon indicates flex catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:



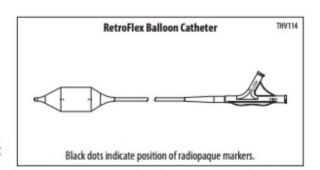
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RetroFlex:

1.0 Device Description

The RetroFlex Balloon Catheter consists of a shaft and balloon with radiopaque markers indicating working length of the balloon. At the proximal end of the device, there is a standard "Y-connector" for balloon inflation and the guidewire lumen. The inflation parameters are as follows:



Instructions for Use, p. 76.

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Claim 13	
Element	Accused Products
[13 preamble] A system for delivering an implantable medical device, the system comprising:	As detailed above, the Commander is a catheter system for delivering implantable medical devices, such as the Sapien products.
	Tapered distal stop with perpendicular proximal end face Content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR EdwardsCommander Distal Expand. Valve .jpg .j
[13b] a balloon coupled to the catheter shaft;	As shown above, a balloon is coupled to the catheter shaft of the Commander.
[13c] a distal stop including a	As shown above, the Commander has a tapered distal stop attached to the inner tubular member and positioned

tapered distal portion attached to the inner tubular member and positioned at least partially underneath the	within the balloon.
balloon;	
wherein the distal stop includes a proximal end face extending substantially perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the catheter shaft;	As shown above, the distal stop in the Commander includes a proximal end face perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the catheter shaft.
[13e] a proximal member attached to the inner tubular member and positioned underneath the balloon, the proximal member having a distal end disposed proximal of the distal stop; and	As shown above, the Commander has a proximal member attached to the inner tubular member and positioned underneath the balloon, with the distal end of the proximal member disposed proximal of the distal stop.
[13f] a cardiovascular implant disposed along the catheter shaft, the cardiovascular	The Commander has a cardiovascular implant (such as the Sapien products) disposed along the catheter shaft and configured to shift between a first configuration (for deployment) and an expanded configuration.
implant being configured to shift between a first configuration and an expanded configuration.	The Commander comprises a balloon-expandable stent. For example: The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

The Commander is used to deliver cardiovascular implants such as the Sapien products.

The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:

Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf.

The Commander uses a balloon to expand the cardiovascular implant.





Edwards Commander System

http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx

	Claim 14	
Element	Accused Products	
[14 preamble] The system of claim 13:	As shown in connection with claim 13, the Commander includes all elements of claim 13. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 13, above.	
[14a] wherein an inflation lumen is defined between the inner tubular member and the outer tubular member, the inflation lumen being in fluid communication with the balloon.	In the Commander, an inflation lumen is defined between the inner and outer tubular members and is in fluid communication with the balloon. For example: Outer tubular member (internal) Inner tubular member http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-	
	content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg	

Claim 15	
Element	Accused Products
[15 preamble] The system of claim 14:	As shown in connection with claim 14, the Commander includes all elements of claim 14. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 14, above.
wherein the balloon has a proximal portion coupled to the outer tubular member and wherein the balloon has a distal portion coupled to the inner tubular member.	In the Commander, the proximal portion of the balloon is coupled to the outer tubular member and the distal portion of the balloon is coupled to the inner tubular member. For example: Outer tubular member (internal) Proximal coupling (internal) Distal coupling
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Claim 16	
Element	Accused Products
[16 preamble] The system of claim 13:	As shown in connection with claim 13, the Commander includes all elements of claim 13. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 13, above.
[16a] wherein the proximal member includes a distal region having a substantially constant outer diameter.	In the Commander, the proximal member includes a distal region having a substantially consistent outer diameter. For example: Proximal member http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg

	Claim 17	
Element	Accused Products	
[17 preamble] The system of claim 13:	As shown in connection with claim 13, the Commander includes all elements of claim 13. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 13, above.	
[17a] wherein the distal stop and the proximal member are longitudinally spaced from each other.	In the Commander, the distal stop is longitudinally spaced from the proximal member. For example: Proximal member Distal stop http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp- content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR EdwardsCommander Distal.Expand.Valve .jpg	

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own in connection with claim 13, the Commander includes all elements of claim 13. <i>See</i> claim chart for 13, above.
ommander is used to deliver cardiovascular implants such as the Sapien products. For example: The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Exercise: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: extions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf . The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Exercise Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: extens for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf.

Claim 19	
Element	Accused Products
[19 preamble] The system of claim 13:	As shown in connection with claim 13, the Commander includes all elements of claim 13. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 13, above.
[19a] Wherein the cardiovascular	The Commander is used to deliver cardiovascular implants such as the Sapien products. For example:
implant is configured to be expanded by the balloon.	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .
	The Commander comprises a balloon-expandable stent. For example:
	The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .
	The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt- chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.
	Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf .

The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

The Commander uses a balloon to expand the cardiovascular implant.



Edwards Commander System

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Claim 20	
Element	Accused Products
[20 preamble] The system of claim 13:	As shown in connection with claim 13, the Commander includes all elements of claim 13. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 13, above.
[20a] wherein the distal stop, the proximal member, or both	The Commander has multiple radiopaque markers. On information and belief, the distal stop, the proximal member, or both include a radiopaque marker. For example:

include a radiopaque marker.	Edwards Commander Delivery System (Figure 2)
	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:
	Center Valve Crimp Section Triple Marker Valve Alignment Markers
	Commander Instructions for Use, pp. 2, 3 - http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf

Claim 21	
Element	Accused Products
[21 preamble] A medical device for implanting a medical implant, the medical device comprising:	As detailed above, the Commander is a medical device for implanting medical implants, such as the Sapien products.

[21a] a catheter shaft, the catheter shaft including an inner tubular member and an outer tubular member;	The Commander has an catheter shaft including an inner tubular member and an outer tubular member. For example: Outer tubular member (internal)
	Proximal coupling (internal) Balloon Distal coupling
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	content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg
[21b] a balloon attached to the catheter shaft;	As shown above, the Commander has a balloon attached to the catheter shaft.
[21c] wherein a proximal portion of the balloon is coupled to the outer tubular member and a distal portion of the balloon is coupled to the inner tubular member;	As shown above, in the Commander, the proximal portion of the balloon is coupled to the outer tubular member and the distal portion of the balloon is coupled to the inner tubular member.
[21d] wherein an inflation lumen is defined between the inner tubular member and the outer tubular member, the inflation lumen being in fluid communication with the	As shown above, in the Commander, the inflation lumen is defined between the inner tubular member and the outer tubular member and is in fluid communication with the balloon.

balloon;	
[21e] wherein a body portion of the balloon extends over an implant receiving region of the inner tubular member;	A body portion of the balloon in the Commander extends over an implant receiving region of the innter tubular member. For example: Proximal member
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[21f] a distal stop including a tapered distal portion attached to the inner tubular member adjacent to the implant receiving region;	As shown above, the Commander has a tapered distal stop attached to the inner tubular member at a position adjacent to the implant receiving region.
[21g] wherein the distal stop includes a proximal end face extending substantially perpendicular to a longitudinal axis of the catheter shaft;	As shown above, the distal stop in the Commander has a proximal end face extending perpendicular to the longitudinal axis of the catheter shaft.
[21h] wherein at least a portion of the distal stop is disposed within the balloon;	As shown above, the Commander has a distal stop disposed within the balloon.

[21i] a proximal member attached to the implant receiving region and positioned between the implant receiving region and the body portion of the balloon, the proximal member having a distal end disposed proximal of the distal stop; and	As show above, the Commander has a proximal member attached to the implant receiveing region, positioned between the implant receiving region and the body portion of the balloon, and having its distal end disposed proximal of the distal stop.
[21j] an implantable endoprosthesis disposed along the catheter shaft, the implantable endoprosthesis being configured to be received along the implant receiving region.	The commander has implantable endoprosthesis (such as the Sapien products) disposed along the catheter shaft and configured to be received along the implant receiving region. Each of the Sapien products comprises an implantable endoprosthesis. For example: The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh.docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf . The Edwards SAPIEN XT transcatheter heart valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN XT Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Ascendra+ Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh.docs/pdf13/P130009d.pdf .

The Edwards SAPIEN transcatheter heart valve (bioprosthesis) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, stainless steel (316 L) frame, three bovine pericardial tissue leaflets, and a polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric. The bioprosthesis is treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process, packaged, and terminally sterilized in glutaraldehyde

Source: Edwards SAPIEN Transcatheter Heart Valve with the RetroFlex 3 Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 1 *available at* http://www.fda.gov/downloads/Adviso...orySystemDevicesPanel/UCM262938.pdf.

The Commander is used to deliver implantable endoprosthesis such as the Sapien products.

The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:

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The implantable endoprosthesis is received along the implant receiving region of the Commander

Edwards Commander System

http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx

Claim 22	
Element	Accused Products
[22 preamble] The medical device of claim 21:	As shown in connection with claim 21, the Commander includes all elements of claim 21. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 21, above.
[22a] wherein the proximal member includes a distal region having a substantially constant outer diameter.	In the Commander, the proximal member includes a distal region having a substantially consistent outer diameter. For example: Proximal member http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg

Claim 23	
Element	Accused Products
[23 preamble] The medical device of claim 21:	As shown in connection with claim 21, the Commander includes all elements of claim 21. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 21, above.
[23a] wherein the distal stop and the proximal member are longitudinally spaced from each other.	In the Commander, the distal stop is longitudinally spaced from the proximal member. For example: Proximal member Distal stop http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp- content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR EdwardsCommander Distal.Expand.Valve .jpg

Claim 24	
Accused Products	
As shown in connection with claim 21, the Commander includes all elements of claim 21. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 21, above.	
The Commander is used to deliver implantable endoprosthesis such as the Sapien products. For example: The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf . Each of the Sapien products comprises a balloon-expandable stent. The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process. Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 available at http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .	

Claim 25	
Element	Accused Products
[25 preamble] The medical device of claim 21:	As shown in connection with claim 21, the Commander includes all elements of claim 21. <i>See</i> claim chart for claim 21, above.
[25a] further comprising a radiopaque marker coupled to the inner tubular member.	The Commander has multiple radiopaque markers, including at least one coupled to the inner tubular member. For example: • Edwards Commander Delivery System (Figure 2)
	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are: Valve Crimp Section Valve Crimp Section Valve Crimp Section Valve Crimp Section
	Commander Instructions for Use, pp. 2, 3 - http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf

Claim 26	
Element	Accused Products
[26 preamble] A system for delivering an implantable medical device, the system comprising:	As detailed above, the Commander is a catheter system for delivering implantable medical devices, such as the Sapien products.
[26a] a catheter shaft, the catheter shaft including an inner tubular member and an outer tubular member;	The Commander has a catheter shaft including an inner tubular member and an outer tubular member. Outer tubular member (internal) Inner tubular member Distal end
	http://www.healthwellnesscolorado.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg
[26b] wherein the inner tubular member has a distal end that extends distally beyond a distal end of the outer tubular member;	As shown above, the inner tubular member of the Commander has a distal end that extends distally beyond a distal end of the outer tubular member.
[26c] wherein the inner tubular member defines a guidewire	The inner tubular member in the Commander defines a guidewire lumen.

lumen;	Edwards Commander Delivery System (Figure 2)
	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:
	Instructions for Use, p. 2 - http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf
[26d] a balloon attached to the catheter shaft, the balloon being configured to shift between a collapsed configuration and an expanded configuration;	The Commander has a balloon attached to the catheter shaft and configured to shift between a collapsed configuration and an expanded configuration. For example: Distal portion coupled to inner tubular member Inflation Lumen Edwards Commander System
	http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx
[26e] wherein a proximal portion of the balloon is coupled to the outer tubular member and	As shown above, in the Commander, the proximal portion of the balloon is coupled to the outer tubular member and the distal portion of the balloon is coupled to the inner tubular member.

a distal portion of the balloon	
is coupled to the inner	
tubular member;	
[26f]	
wherein an inflation lumen is	
defined between the inner	
tubular member and the outer	As shown above, in the Commander, the inflation lumen is defined between the inner tubular member and the
tubular member, the inflation	outer tubular member and is in fluid communication with the balloon.
lumen being in fluid	
communication with the	
balloon;	
[26g]	A body portion of the balloon in the Commander extends over an implant receiving region of the inner
wherein a body portion of	tubular member. For example:
the balloon extends over an	Proximal member
implant receiving region of	Troximal member
the inner tubular member;	
	Inner tubular member Tapered distal stop Implant receiving region content/uploads/2016/01/TAVR_EdwardsCommander_Distal.Expand.Valvejpg
[26h]	
a distal stop attached to the	
inner tubular member at a	As shown above, the Commander has a distal stop attached to the inner tubular member at a position adjacent
position adjacent to the	to the implant receiving region and disposed between the balloon and the inner tubular member.
implant receiving region, the	
distal stop being disposed at	

least partially between the	
balloon and the inner tubular	
member;	
[26i]	
wherein at least a section of	As shown above, the distal stop in the Commander is tapered.
the distal stop is tapered;	
[26j]	
a proximal member attached	
to the implant receiving	As described above, the Commander has a proximal member attached to the implant receiving region and
region and being positioned	positioned between the implant receiving region and the body porton of the balloon.
between the implant	positioned between the implant region and the body porton of the barroom
receiving region and the	
body portion of the balloon; [26k]	
wherein the distal stop is	
axially spaced from the	As shown above, the distal stop in the Commander is axially spaced from the proximal member.
proximal member;	
[261]	
a first radiopaque marker	The Commander has multiple radiopaque markers. On information and belief, the Commander has a first
disposed along the implant	marker disposed along the implant receiving region and positioned adjacent to the distal stop. For example:
receiving region and	Edwards Commander Delivery System (Figure 2)
positioned adjacent to the distal stop;	The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:

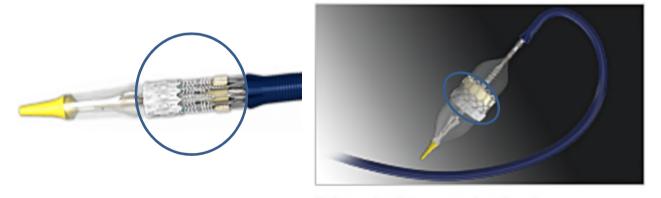
	Center Valve Crimp Section Triple Marker
	Valve Alignment Markers
	Commander Instructions for Use, pp. 2, 3 - http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf
[26m] a second radiopaque marker disposed along the implant receiving region and positioned adjacent to the proximal member;	As shown immediately above, the Commander has multiple radiopaque markers. On information and belief, the Commander has a radiopaque marker disposed along the implant receiving region and positioned adjacent to the proximal member.
[26n] wherein the first radiopaque marker is axially spaced from the second radiopaque marker; and	As described above, the first radiopaque marker in the Commander is axially spaced from the second radiopaque marker.
[260] an implantable endoprosthesis disposed	The Commander has implantable endoprosthesis (such as the Sapien products) disposed along the catheter shaft and configured to be received along the implant receiving region and expanded by the balloon.
along the catheter shaft and configured to be received	The Commander comprises a balloon-expandable implantable endoprosthesis.
along the implant receiving region, the implantable endoprosthesis being configured to be expandable	The Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve (THV) is comprised of a balloon-expandable, radiopaque, cobalt-chromium frame, trileaflet bovine pericardial tissue valve, and polyethylene terephthalate (PET) fabric skirt. The leaflets are treated according to the Carpentier-Edwards ThermaFix process.
by the balloon.	Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 <i>available at</i> http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf .

The Commander is used to deliver an implantable endoprosthesis such as the Sapien products.

The Edwards Commander delivery system (usable length 105 cm) is used for delivery of the Edwards SAPIEN 3 transcatheter heart valve and consists of a Flex Catheter to aid in valve alignment to the balloon, tracking, and positioning of the THV. The delivery system includes a tapered tip to facilitate crossing of the native valve. The handle contains a Flex Wheel to control flexing of the Flex Catheter, and a Balloon Lock and Fine Adjustment Wheel to facilitate valve alignment and positioning of the valve within the native annulus. A stylet is included within the guidewire lumen of the delivery system. The Balloon Catheter has radiopaque Valve Alignment Markers defining the working length of the balloon. A radiopaque Center Marker in the balloon is provided to help with valve positioning. A radiopaque Triple Marker proximal to the balloon indicates the Flex Catheter position during deployment. The inflation parameters for THV deployment are:

Source: Edwards SAPIEN 3 Transcatheter Heart Valve with the Edwards Commander Delivery System: Instructions for Use at 2 *available at* http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/cdrh_docs/pdf14/P140031c.pdf.

The Commander uses a balloon to expand the implantable endoprosthesis, which is received along the implant receiving region.



Edwards Commander System

http://www.edwards.com/eu/Products/TranscatheterValves/Pages/commander.aspx