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METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CATHETER-BASED ANNULOPLASTY USING LOCAL PPLICATIONS

Title (de)  
VERFAHREN UND GERÄT FÜR DIE KATHETERGESTÜTZTE ANNULOPLASTIE MIT LOKALEN FALTUNGEN

Title (fr)  
PROCEDE ET APPAREIL DESTINES A REALISER UNE ANNULOPLASTIE REPOSANT SUR L'UTILISATION D'UN CATHETER AU MOYEN DE PPLICATIONS LOCALES

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: WO02085252A1] The present invention relates to a minimally invasive method of performing annuloplasty. According to one aspect of the present invention, a method for performing annuloplasty includes accessing a left ventricle of a heart to provide a discrete plication element (905) to the left ventricle, and engaging the plication element to tissue near a mitral valve (916) of the heart. Engaging the plication element (905) includes causing the plication element to gather a portion of the tissue to create a plication. In one embodiment, accessing the left ventricle of the heart to provide the plication element (905) includes accessing the left ventricle of the heart using a catheter arrangement.

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