

Title (en)  
ABSORBABLE INTRAVASCULAR DEVICES THAT PROVIDE A DECREASE IN RADIAL RIGIDITY OF THE VESSEL OVER TIME

Title (de)  
ABSORBIERBARE INTRAVASKULÄRE VORRICHTUNGEN ZUR VERRINGERUNG DER RADIALEN STEIFIGKEIT DES GEFÄSSES IM LAUFE DER DER ZEIT

Title (fr)  
DISPOSITIFS INTRAVASCULAIRES RÉSORBABLES QUI FOURNISSENT UNE DIMINUTION DE LA RIGIDITÉ RADIALE DU VAISSEAU AU FIL DU TEMPS

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[origin: WO2021071593A1] A vascular stent may be used to maintain or enhance patency of a blood vessel. By using multiple, separate stent elements that are balloon expandable, the multi-element stent may be stronger than a traditional self-expanding stent but may also be more flexible, due to its multiple-element configuration, than a traditional balloon-expandable stent. The stent elements are formed from a bioresorbable polymer material. The radial rigidity of the stent is configured to decrease after implantation in a vessel as the polymer is absorbed. The thickness of the stent, cell shape, polymer material, and/or treatment of the polymer material may be configured to provide a high initial radial rigidity to the vessel upon implantation and a decrease in the radial rigidity of the vessel over time.

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