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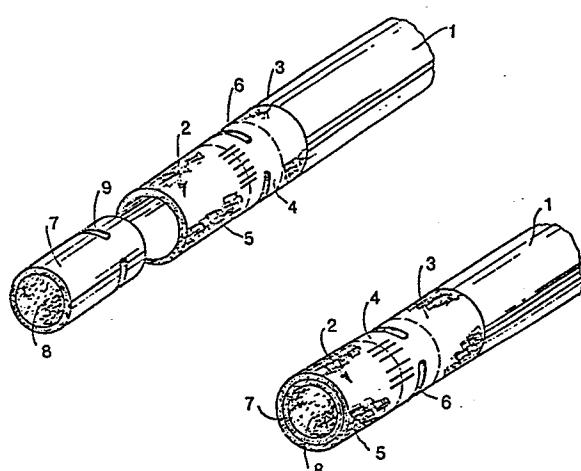
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(54) Cigarettes and methods of manufacture.

(57) A cigarette is provided which comprises a tobacco rod (1), and an integral axially aligned substantially cylindrical assembly at the mouth end of the cigarette which preferably includes a wrapped cylindrical filter plug (7, 8) and tipping paper (2,) and which is provided with means to adjust the air dilution value of the cigarette. The assembly has first and second ends, which are open to permit the passage of air and smoke, and at least two openings (6) in addition to the open ends. Means are provided for rotating one opening relative to the other so that the openings are in varying degrees of registry to permit varying amounts of air to combine with and dilute the smoke. In accordance with another aspect of the invention a filter cigarette is provided which has a wrapped filter plug (202, 203) aligned in end-to-end abutting relationship with a substantially cylindrical tobacco rod (201). The filter plug and tobacco rod are circumscribed and joined by a substantially air permeable first layer of tipping paper (204). Circumscribing the first layer of tipping paper is a second layer of substantially air impermeable tipping paper (206). The second layer has a circumferentially extending row of closely spaced perforations (210) intermediate the two ends of the second layer which divides it into a mouth-end sleeve (207) attached to the first layer at the mouth end of the cigarette and a second rod-end sleeve (208) detachable from the mouth end sleeve by rotat-

ing the sleeve relative to the first sleeve so that it can move axially between the mouth-end sleeve and positions along the tobacco rod allowing air to enter the filter through the exposed portions of the air permeable layers.



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