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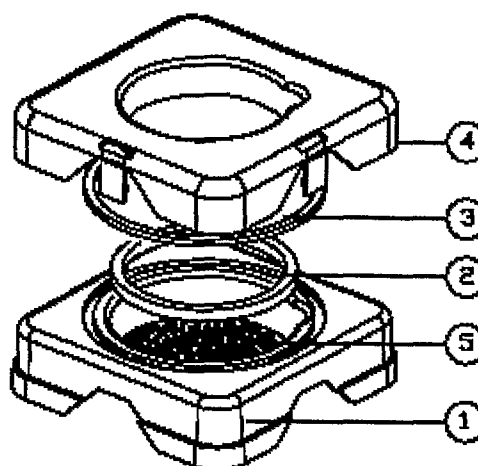
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Assembly view of the cell culture device



(57) Abstract: A disposable device is provided for culturing and/or packaging and transporting ready-to-use viable cells cultured on membranes, gels or micro porous substrata. The device includes a housing base (1) defining an interior for culturing cells. The membrane to be used for culturing the cells is placed inside the housing base and fixed with a ring (2). The base is closed by a lid (4), which would protect the underlying cells during transport as well as minimize the volume of media used during culture as well as transport. Media leakage is prevented by the silicon gasket (3) as well as the snaps provided in the device.

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