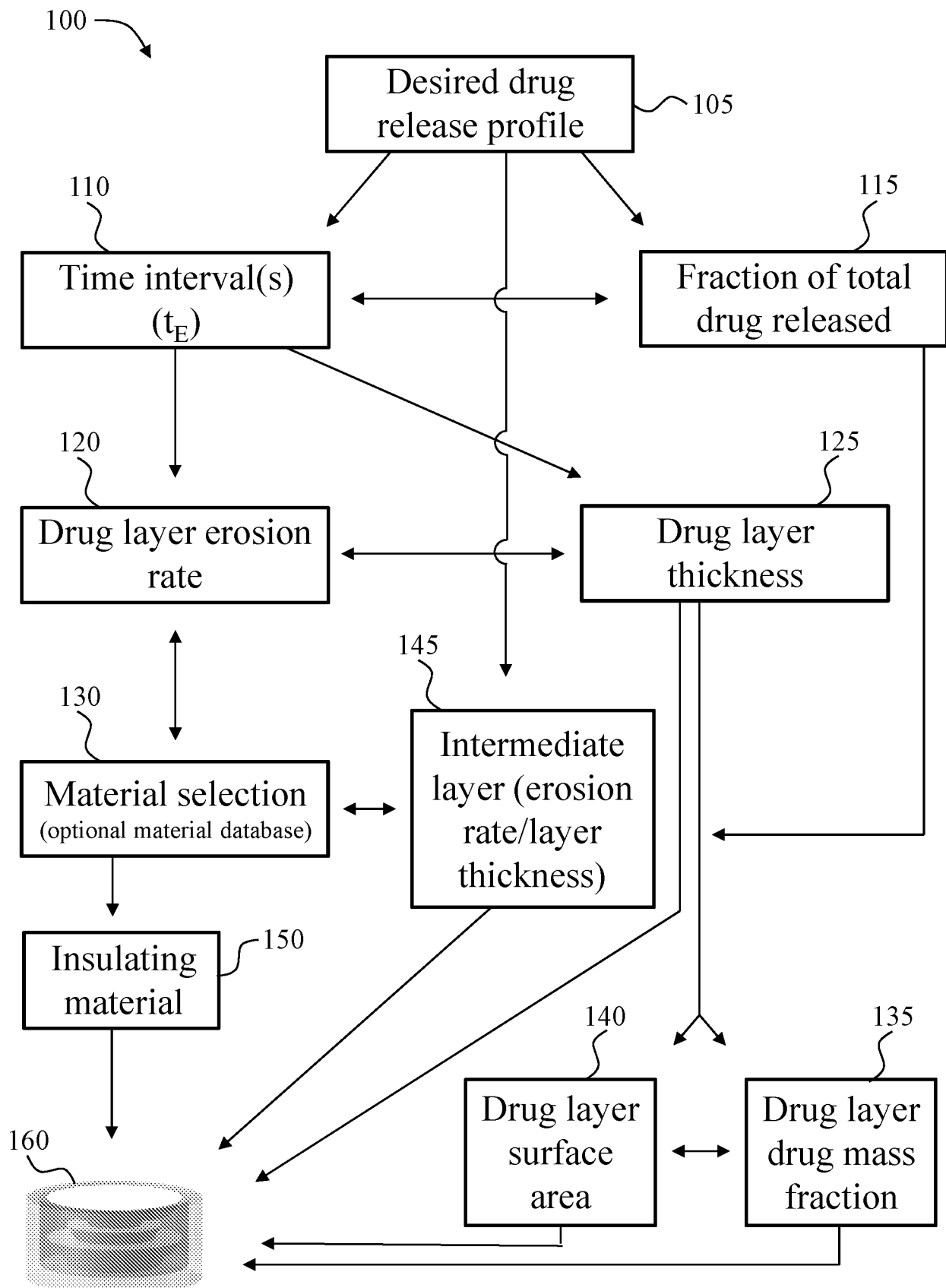


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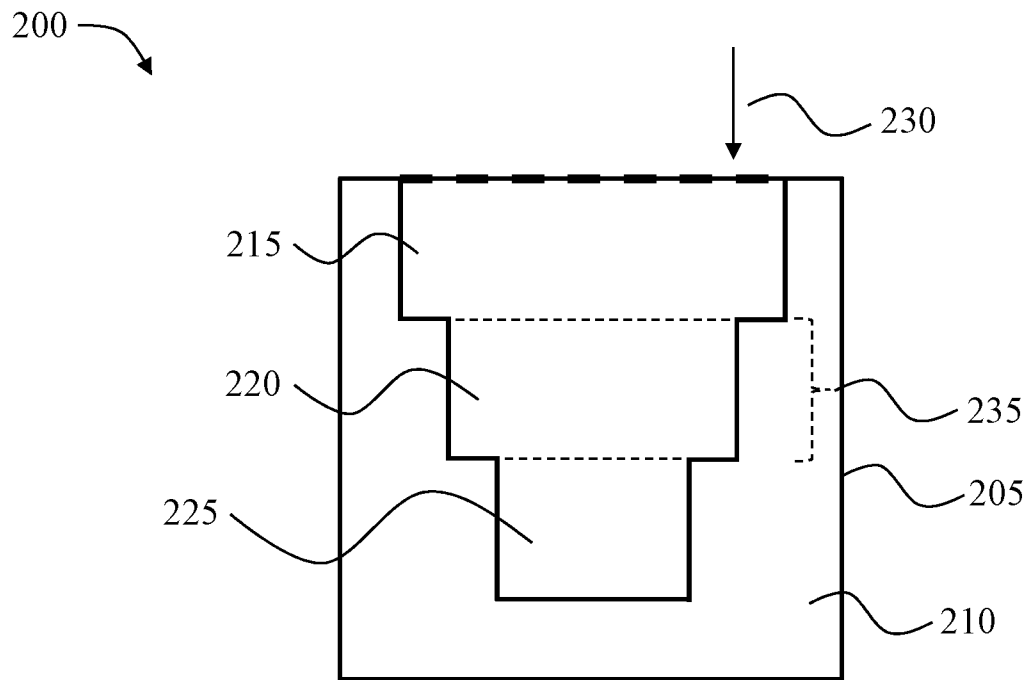


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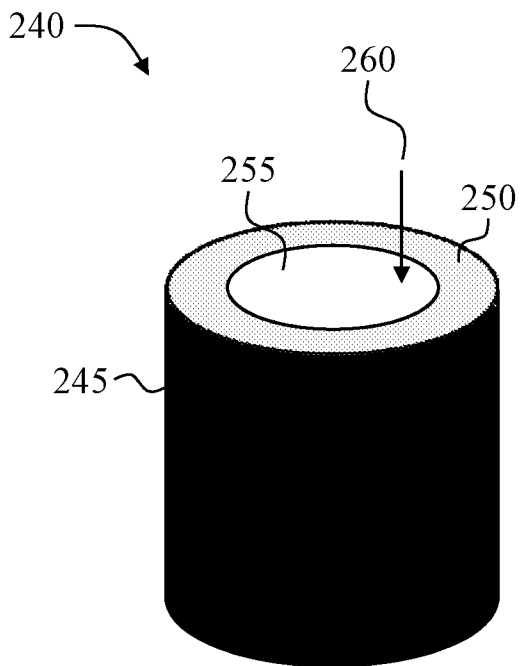


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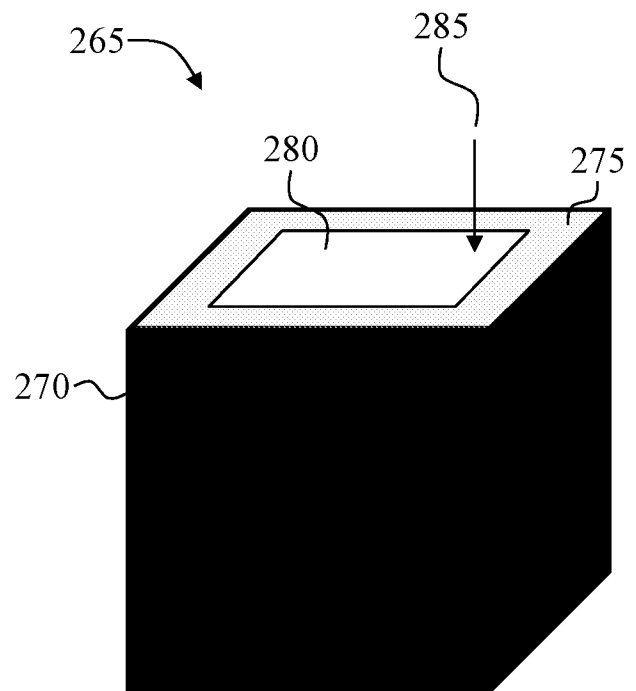
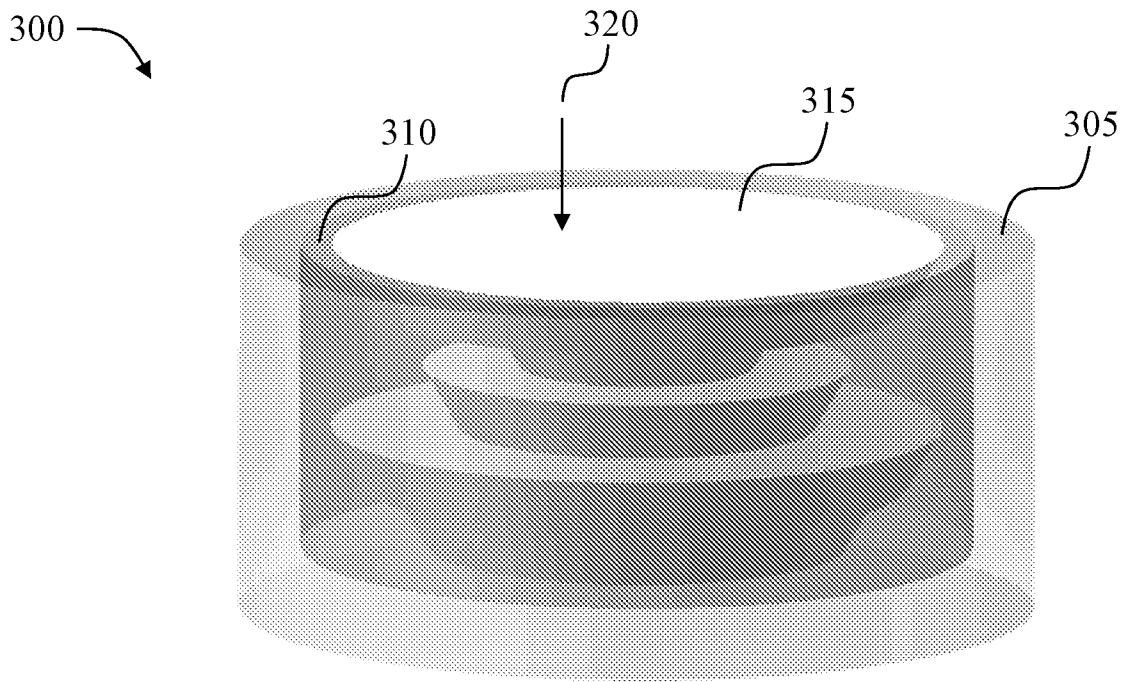
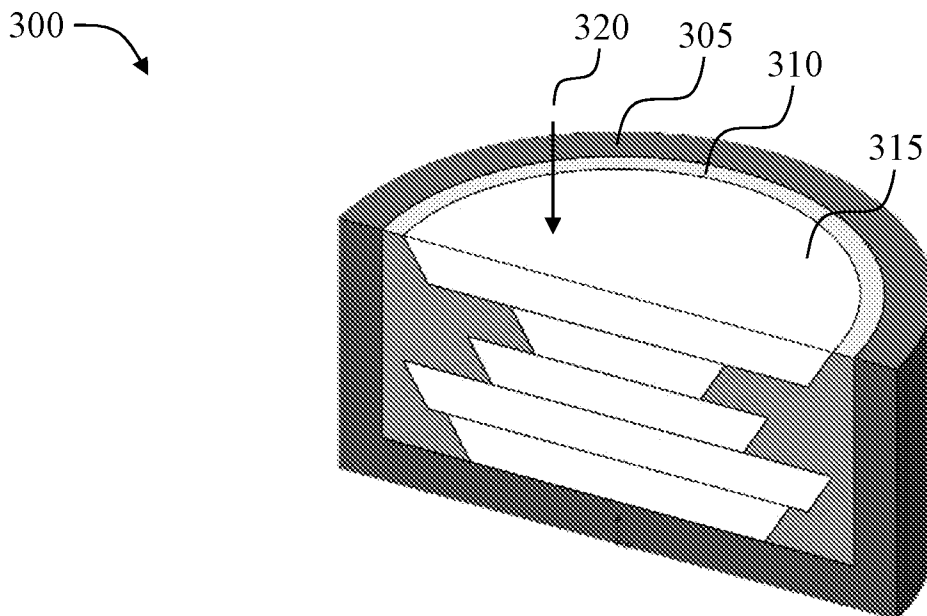


FIG. 2C

**FIG. 3A****FIG. 3B**

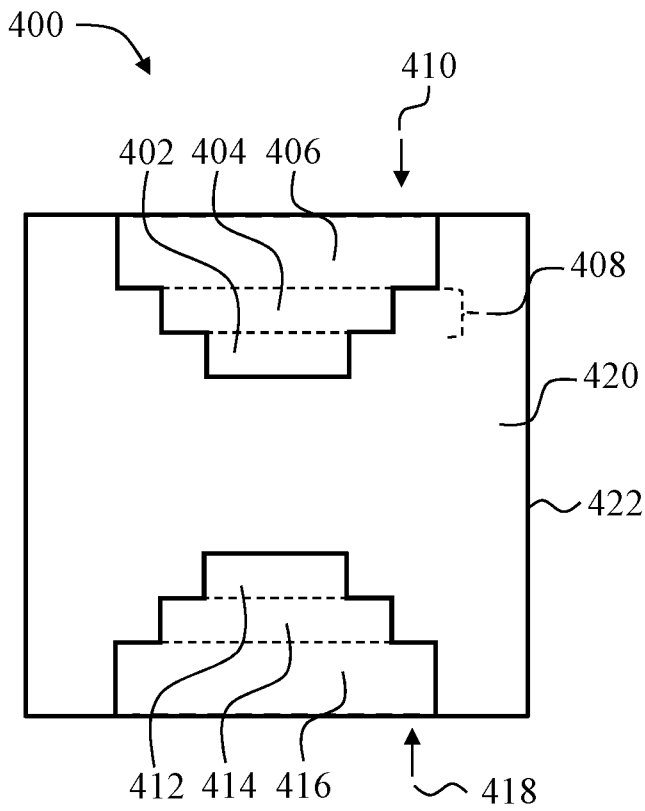


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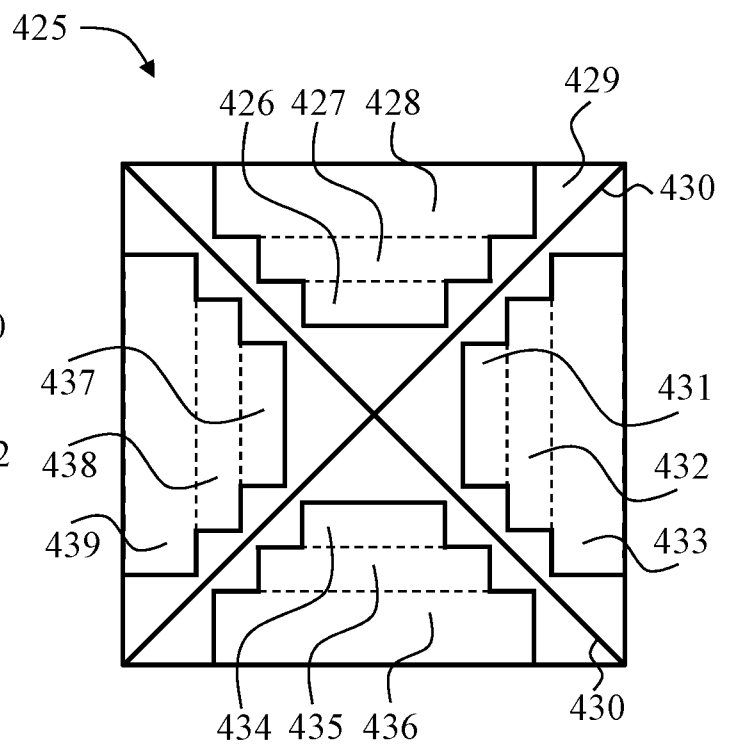


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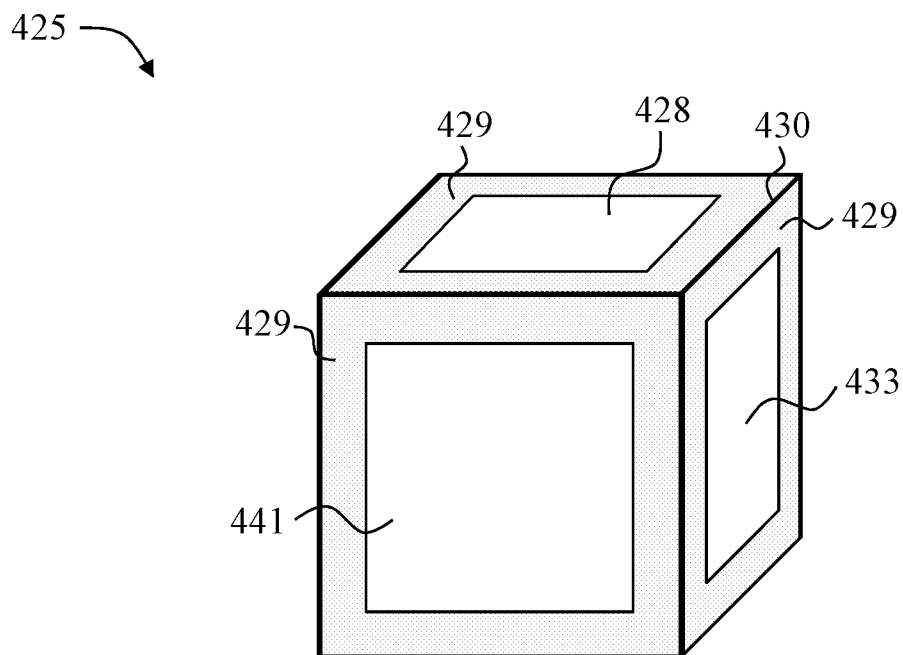


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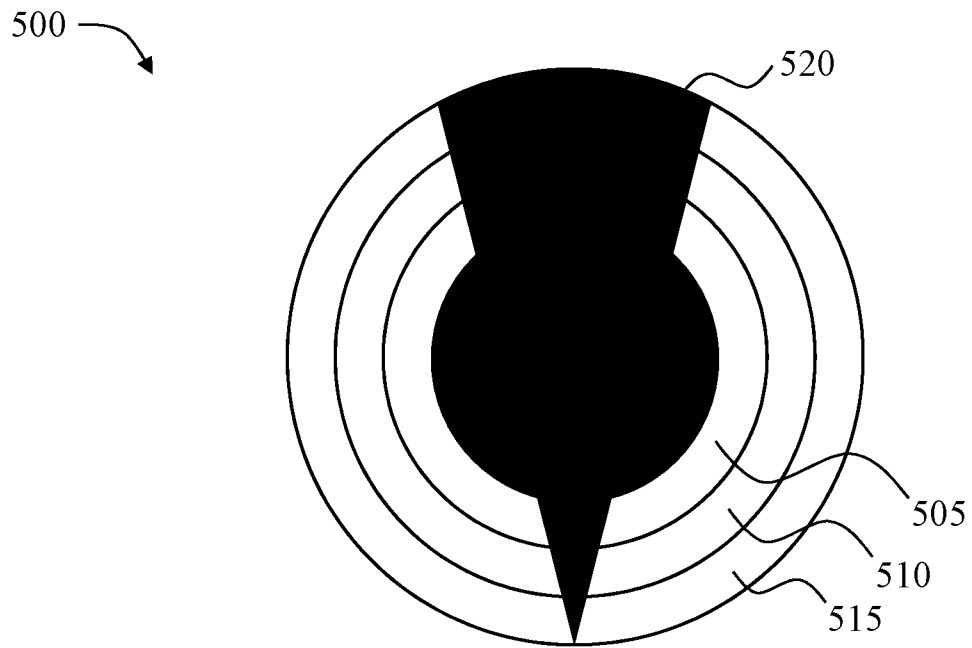


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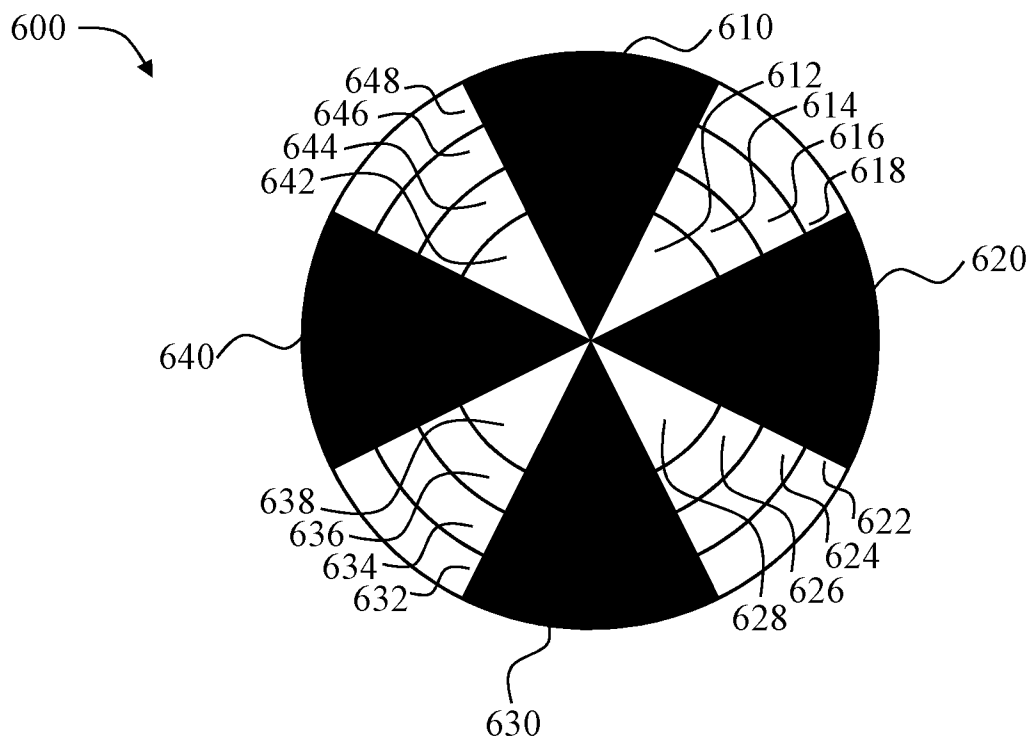
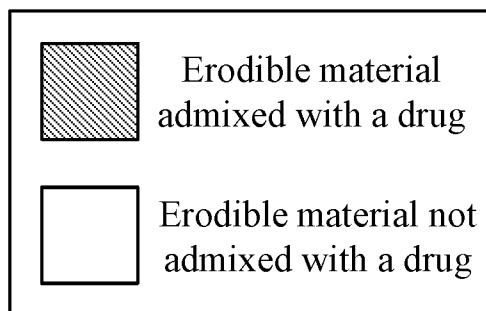
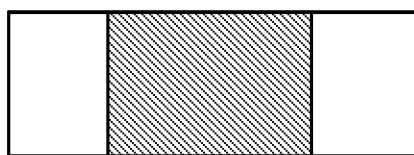


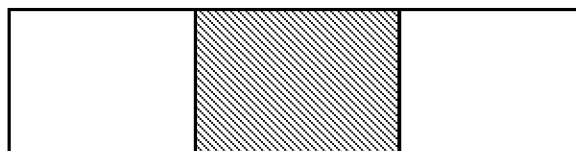
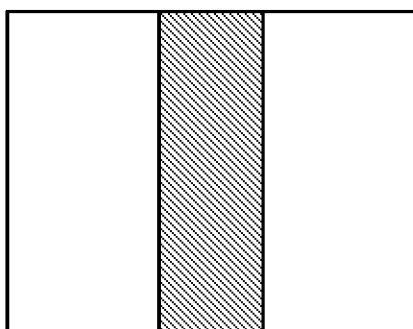
FIG. 6



Original layer parameters



(i) Adjustment of layer volume



(ii) Addition of layer of erodible material not admixed with a drug

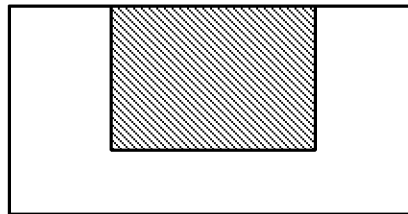
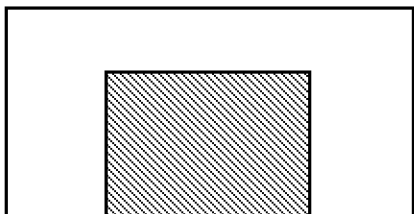
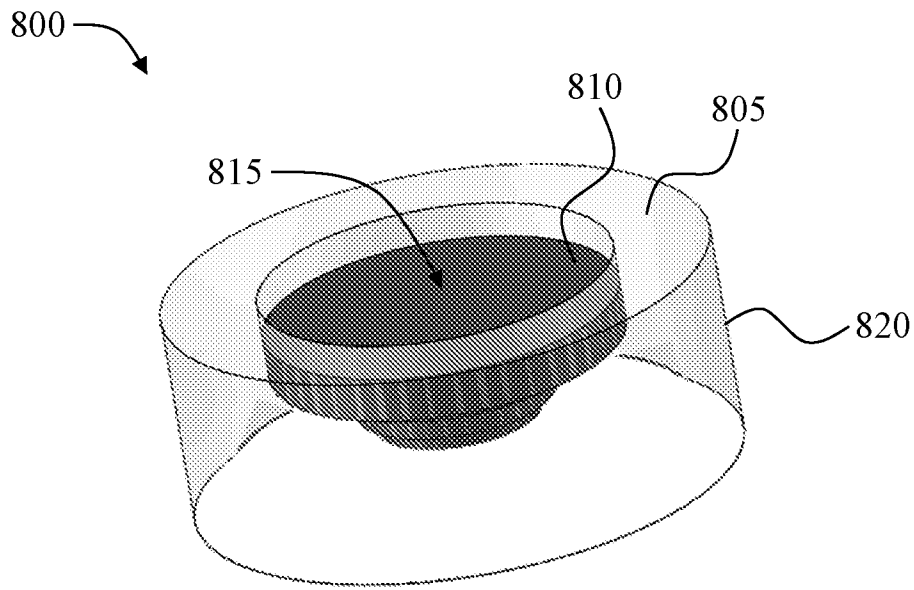
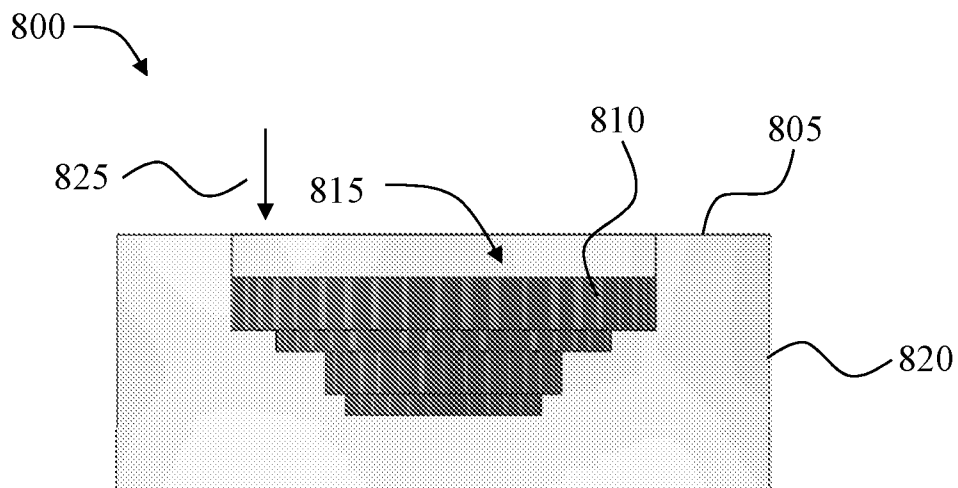
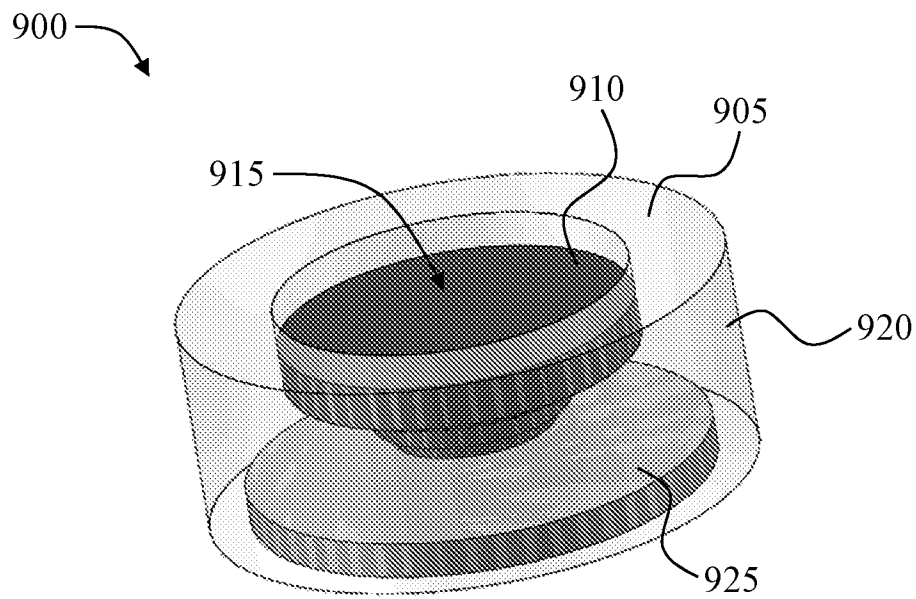
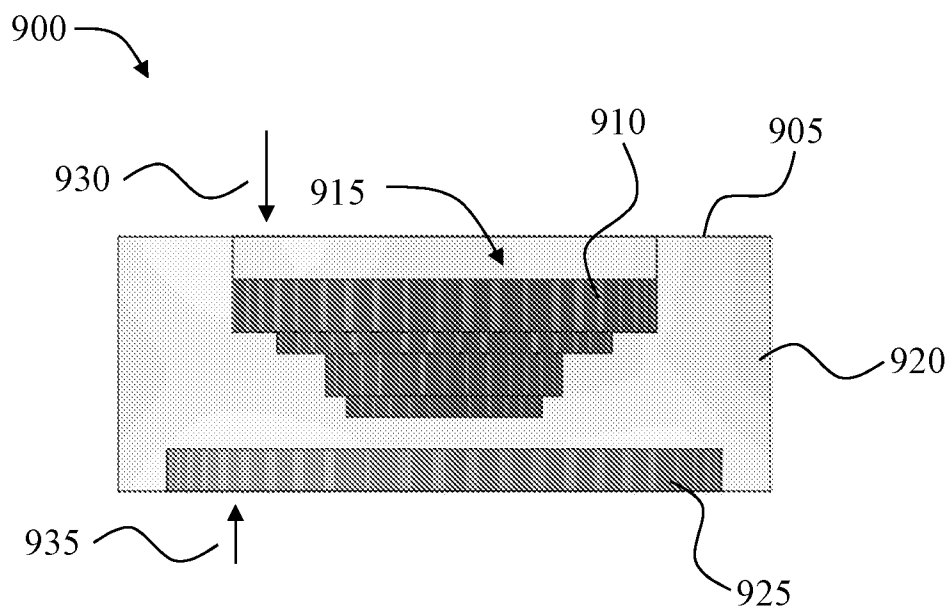
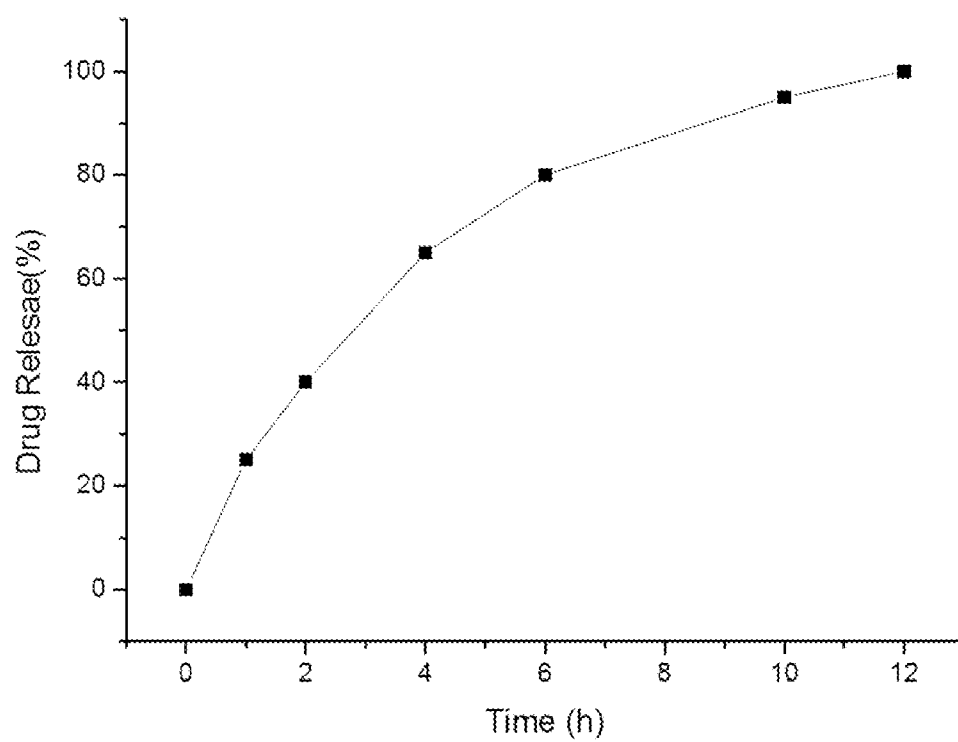


FIG. 7

**FIG. 8A****FIG. 8B**

**FIG. 9A****FIG. 9B**

**FIG. 10**