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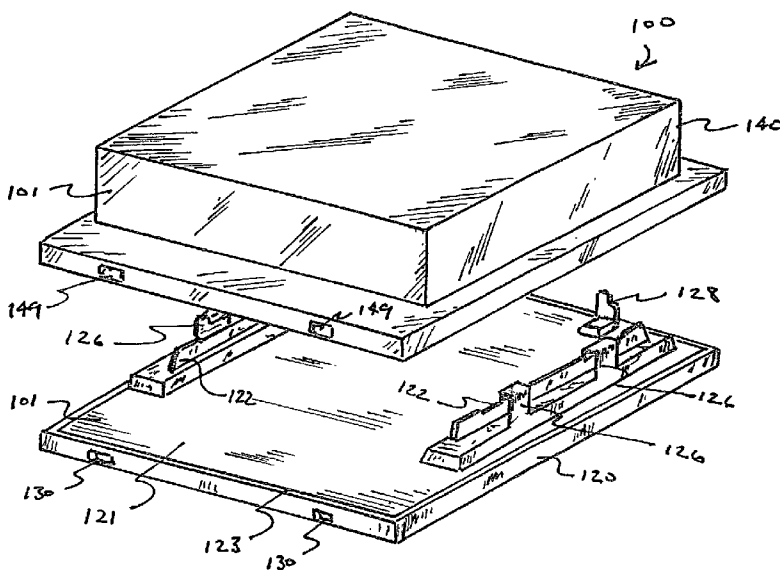
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(57) Abstract: A carrier for a reticle used in photolithographic semiconductor processing, having a base portion and a cover portion. The base portion has a plurality of reticle supports and a plurality of reticle positioning members. The cover portion is adapted to sealingly mate with the base portion, and has an inner surface with a plurality of spaced apart reticle restraints and a pair of reticle positioning tabs projecting inwardly therefrom. Each reticle positioning tab has a diagonal edge portion, and is oriented so that the diagonal edge portion urges a reticle resting on the reticle supports into engagement with the reticle restraints when the cover portion is mated with the base portion.



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