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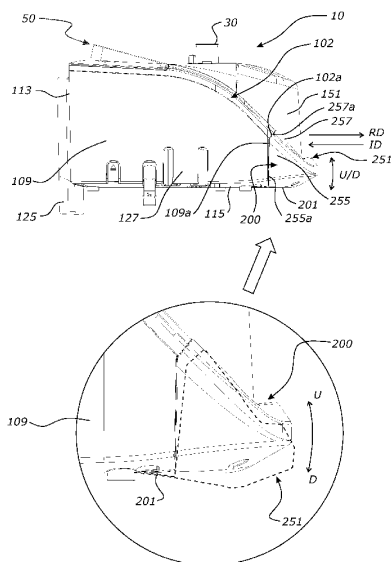


FIGURE 4

(57) **Abstract:** A breathing assistance apparatus 10 has a housing 100 with a recess 108. A guard 200 is mounted to the housing 10, the guard having a base 201 and a barrier 251. At least part of the base 201 is flexible. The barrier 251 is movable between a covering position in which the barrier 251 partly covers the recess 108 and an access position in which the recess 108 is less covered or is uncovered by the barrier 251. Said at least part of the base 201 is configured to flex as the barrier 251 is moved between the covering position and the access position.

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