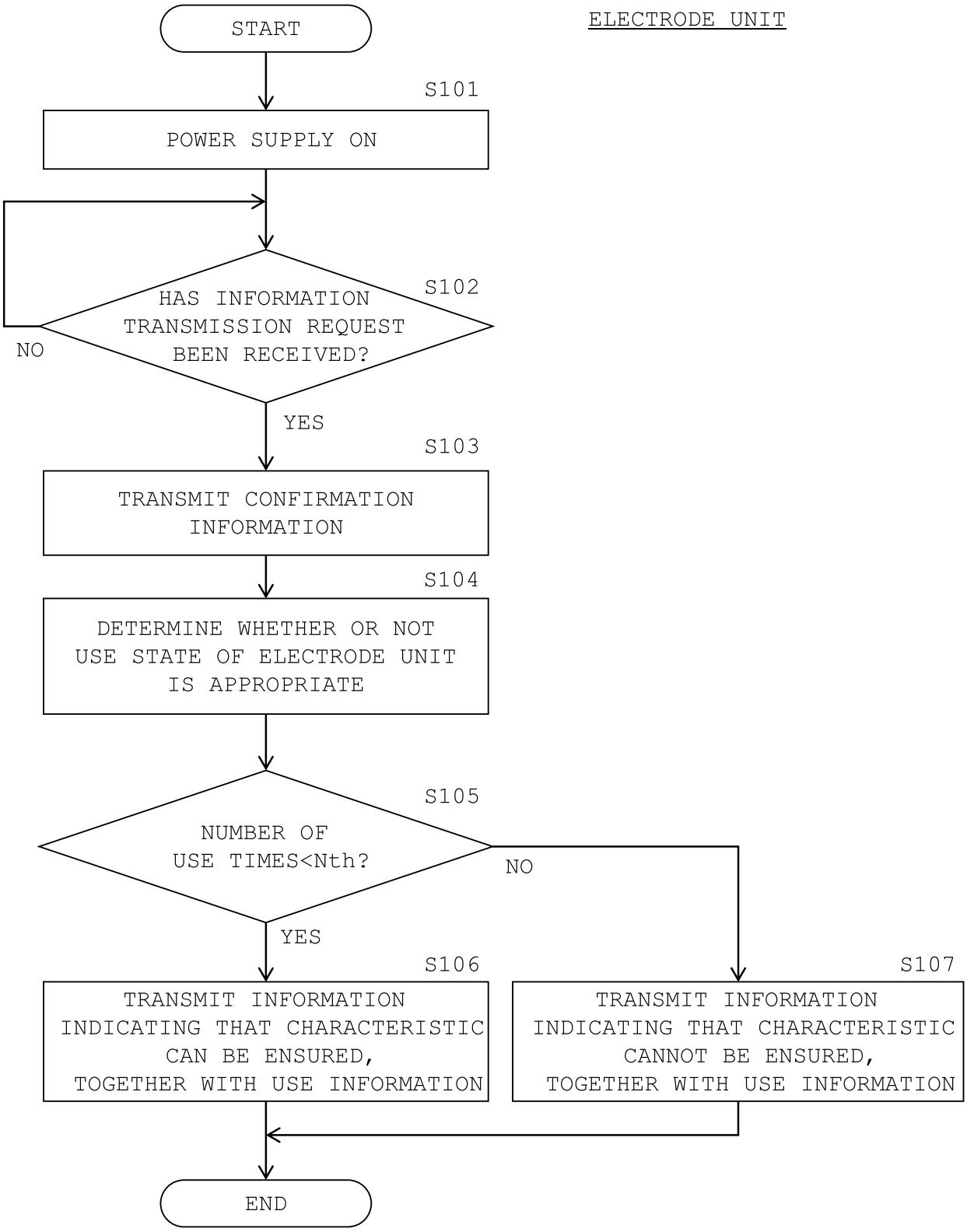
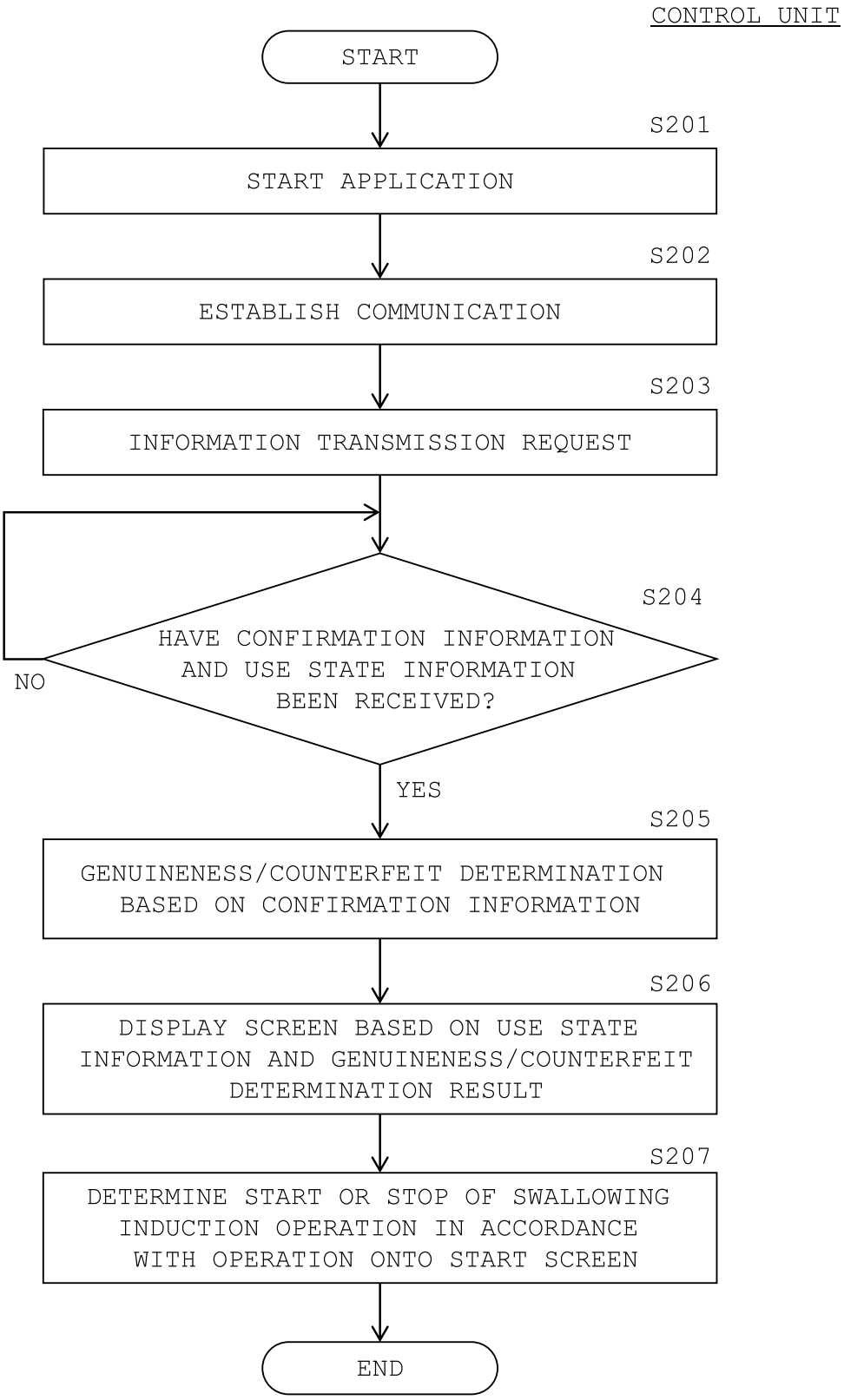
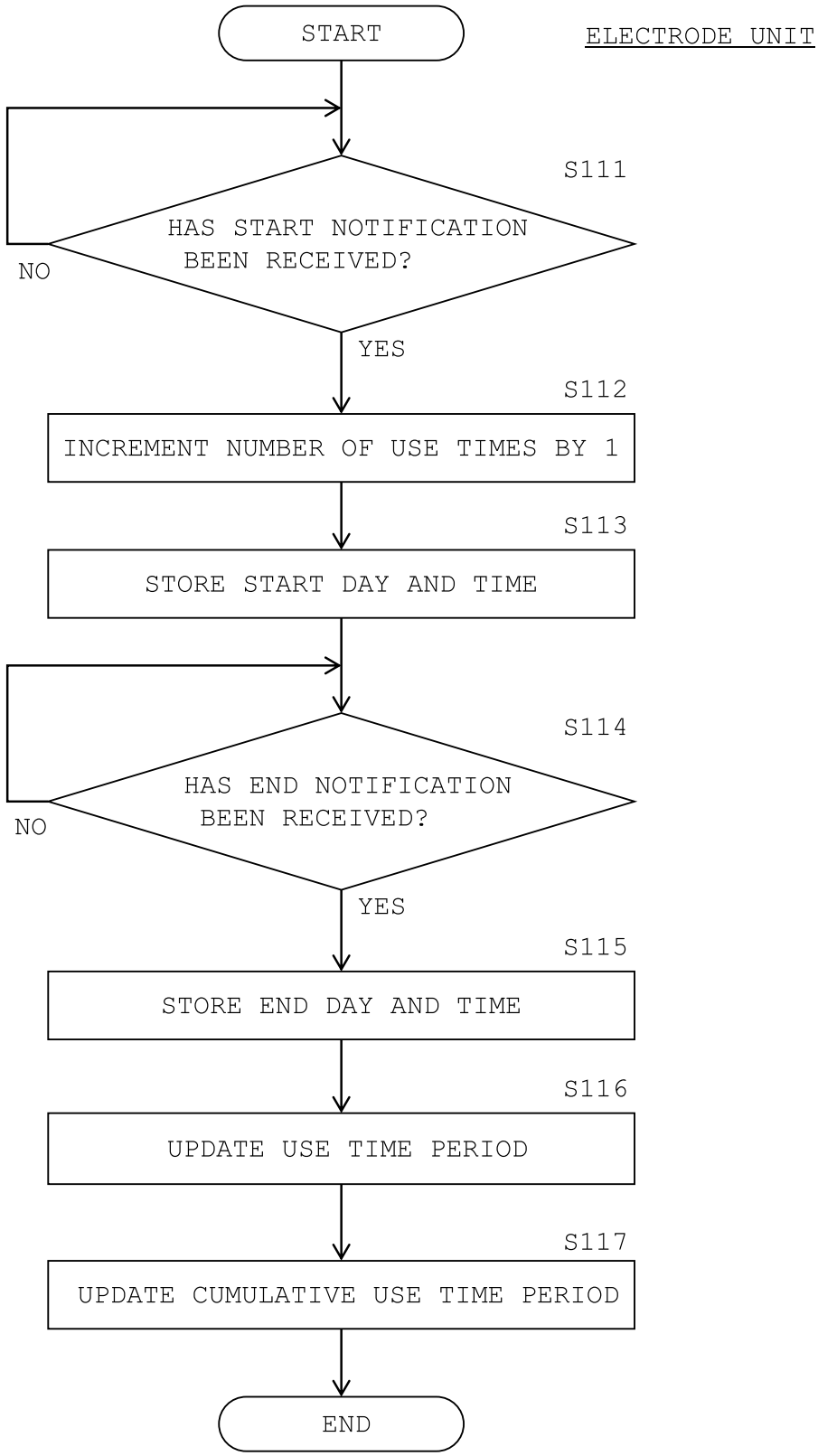
[FIG.6]


ELECTRODE UNIT
START
S101
POWER SUPPLY ON
S102
HAS INFORMATION TRANSMISSION REQUEST BEEN RECEIVED?
NO
YES
S103
TRANSMIT CONFIRMATION INFORMATION
S104
DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT USE STATE OF ELECTRODE UNIT IS APPROPRIATE
S105
NUMBER OF USE TIMES<Nth?
NO
YES
S106
TRANSMIT INFORMATION INDICATING THAT CHARACTERISTIC CAN BE ENSURED, TOGETHER WITH USE INFORMATION
S107
TRANSMIT INFORMATION INDICATING THAT CHARACTERISTIC CANNOT BE ENSURED, TOGETHER WITH USE INFORMATION
END

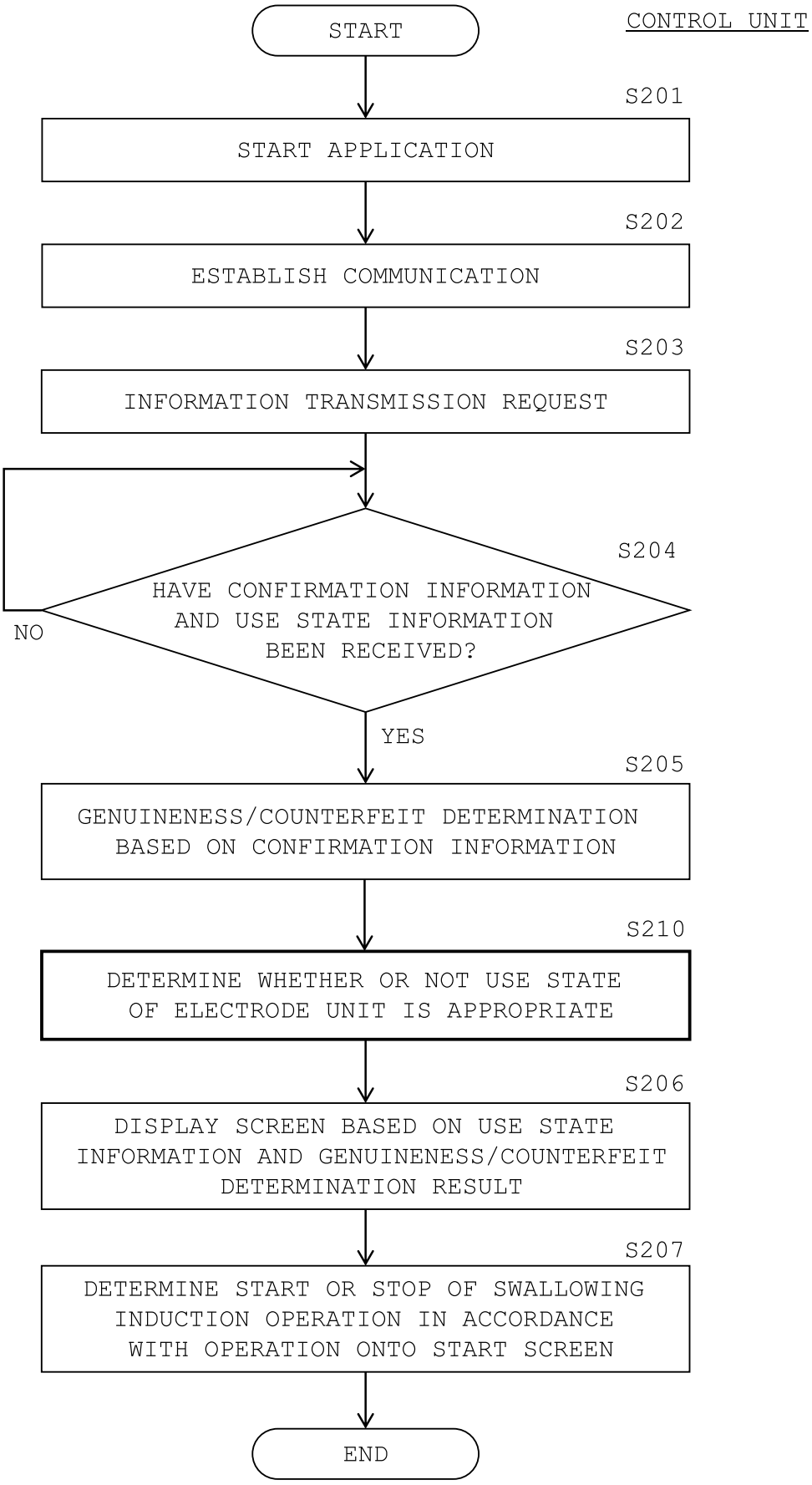
[FIG.7]


CONTROL UNIT
START
S201
START APPLICATION
S202
ESTABLISH COMMUNICATION
S203
INFORMATION TRANSMISSION REQUEST
S204
HAVE CONFIRMATION INFORMATION AND USE STATE INFORMATION BEEN RECEIVED?
NO
YES
S205
GENUINENESS/COUNTERFEIT DETERMINATION BASED ON CONFIRMATION INFORMATION
S206
DISPLAY SCREEN BASED ON USE STATE INFORMATION AND GENUINENESS/COUNTERFEIT DETERMINATION RESULT
S207
DETERMINE START OR STOP OF SWALLOWING INDUCTION OPERATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH OPERATION ONTO START SCREEN
END

[FIG.10]


START
ELECTRODE UNIT
S111
HAS START NOTIFICATION BEEN RECEIVED?
NO
YES
S112
INCREMENT NUMBER OF USE TIMES BY 1
S113
STORE START DAY AND TIME
S114
HAS END NOTIFICATION BEEN RECEIVED?
NO
YES
S115
STORE END DAY AND TIME
S116
UPDATE USE TIME PERIOD
S117
UPDATE CUMULATIVE USE TIME PERIOD
END

[FIG.18]


CONTROL UNIT
START
S201
START APPLICATION
S202
ESTABLISH COMMUNICATION
S203
INFORMATION TRANSMISSION REQUEST
S204
HAVE CONFIRMATION INFORMATION AND USE STATE INFORMATION BEEN RECEIVED?
NO
YES
S205
GENUINENESS/COUNTERFEIT DETERMINATION BASED ON CONFIRMATION INFORMATION
S210
DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT USE STATE OF ELECTRODE UNIT IS APPROPRIATE
S206
DISPLAY SCREEN BASED ON USE STATE INFORMATION AND GENUINENESS/COUNTERFEIT DETERMINATION RESULT
S207
DETERMINE START OR STOP OF SWALLOWING INDUCTION OPERATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH OPERATION ONTO START SCREEN
END