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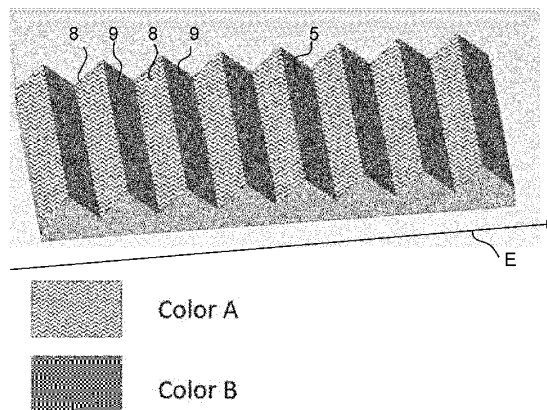


FIG. 2a

(57) Abstract: A data carrier (1) for a secure article comprises a carrier body (2) and a security element (3) being provided on the carrier body (2). The security element (3) comprises at least one image (4) being printed on at least one surface structure (5) comprising elevations (8) extending away from the carrier body (2) and/or depressions (9) extending towards the carrier body (2) and extending along an extension direction (E). The image (4) comprises at least one primary image (6) and at least one secondary image (7) being encoded in the primary image (6). The primary image (6) is observable when the data carrier (1) is viewed under a first viewing angle and a second viewing angle. The secondary image (7) is hidden when the data carrier (1) is viewed under the first viewing angle but observable when the data carrier (1) is viewed under the second viewing angle.

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