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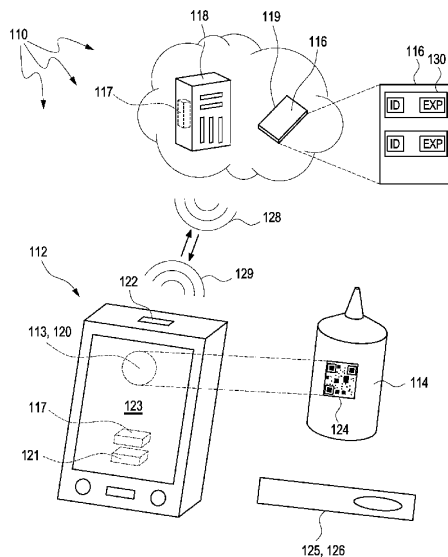


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: A method of controlling the functionality of an analytical system (110) is disclosed. The method comprises: a. providing at least one container (114) containing at least one control fluid, the container (114) comprising at least one identifier (124), wherein the identifier (124) comprises at least one identification number of the container (114); b. reading the identifier (124) of the container (114) by using at least one reading device (113) of the analytical system (110); and c. performing a database query in a database (116) of the analytical system (110), the database (116) containing database entries (130) for a plurality of known containers (114) comprising identification numbers of the known containers (114) and assigned expiry information for the respective known containers (114), the database query comprising checking if the container (114) already has a database entry (130) in the database (116). Further, an analytical system (110) comprising at least one analytical device (112) for determining an analyte concentration in a sample of a bodily fluid is disclosed.

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