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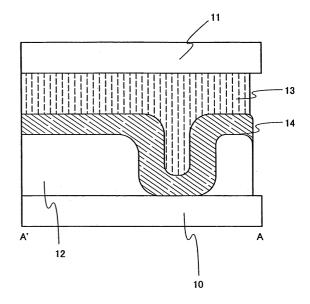
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#### (54) Display device and method of manufacturing thereof

A novel display device with higher reliability having a structure of blocking moisture and oxygen, which deteriorate the characteristics of the display device, from penetrating through a sealing region and a method of manufacturing thereof is provided. According to the present invention, a display device and a method of manufacturing the same comprising: a display portion formed by aligning a light-emitting element using an organic lightemitting material between a pair of substrate, wherein the display portion is formed on an insulating layer formed on any one of the substrates, the pair of substrates is bonded to each other with a sealing material formed over the insulating layer while surrounding a periphery of the display portion, at least one layer of the insulating layer is made of an organic resin material, the periphery has a first region and a second region, the insulating layer in the first region has an opening covered with a protective film, the sealing material is formed in contact with the opening and the protective film, an outer edge portion of the insulating layer in the second region is covered with the protective film or the sealing material.





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Claim(s) not searched: 26-74

Reason for the limitation of the search:

An insulating layer with a plurality of depressions and projections in independent claims 26, 33, 40, 54, 61, 68 lacks support. A depression extends downwards from a top surface, whereas a projection extends upwards. Fig. 11 shows depressions 1121a, 1121b, 1121c extending downwards with respect to the top surface of interlayer 1124, and projections 1120a, 1120b, 1120c extending above the surface of the substrate 1123, as described correctly at page 35, first paragraph; the same applies for Fig. 16 and the text at pages 36, 37. Thus, claims 26, 33, 40, 54, 61, 68 have to be modified to allow a meaningful search, and asking for additional search fees due to a lack of unity resulting from the prior art US 2003/0094615, Figs. 1, 5, 15 to 17 was considered inappropriate.

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## 摘要(译)

本发明提供一种具有更高可靠性的新型显示装置及其制造方法,该显示装置具有阻挡湿气和氧气的结构,该结构使显示装置的特性劣化,不会穿透密封区域。根据本发明,显示装置及其制造方法包括:显示部分,其通过使用有机发光材料在一对基板之间对准发光元件而形成,其中显示部分形成在一对基板上。形成在任何一个基板上的绝缘层,所述一对基板通过在所述绝缘层上形成的密封材料彼此接合,同时围绕所述显示部分的周边,所述绝缘层的至少一层由有机层制成。树脂材料,周边具有第一区域和第二区域,第一区域中的绝缘层具有覆盖有保护膜的开口,密封材料形成为与开口和保护膜接触,外边缘部分第二区域中的绝缘层覆盖有保护膜或密封材料。

FIG. 1

