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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An organic light emitting diode display device and method of fabricating the device according to an embodiment includes a substrate; an oxide semiconductor layer over the substrate; a planarization layer over the oxide semiconductor layer; an emitting diode over the planarization layer; a passivation layer over the emitting diode; and a hydrogen blocking layer between the planarization layer and the passivation layer to block hydrogen diffusion from the passivation layer to the oxide semiconductor layer.

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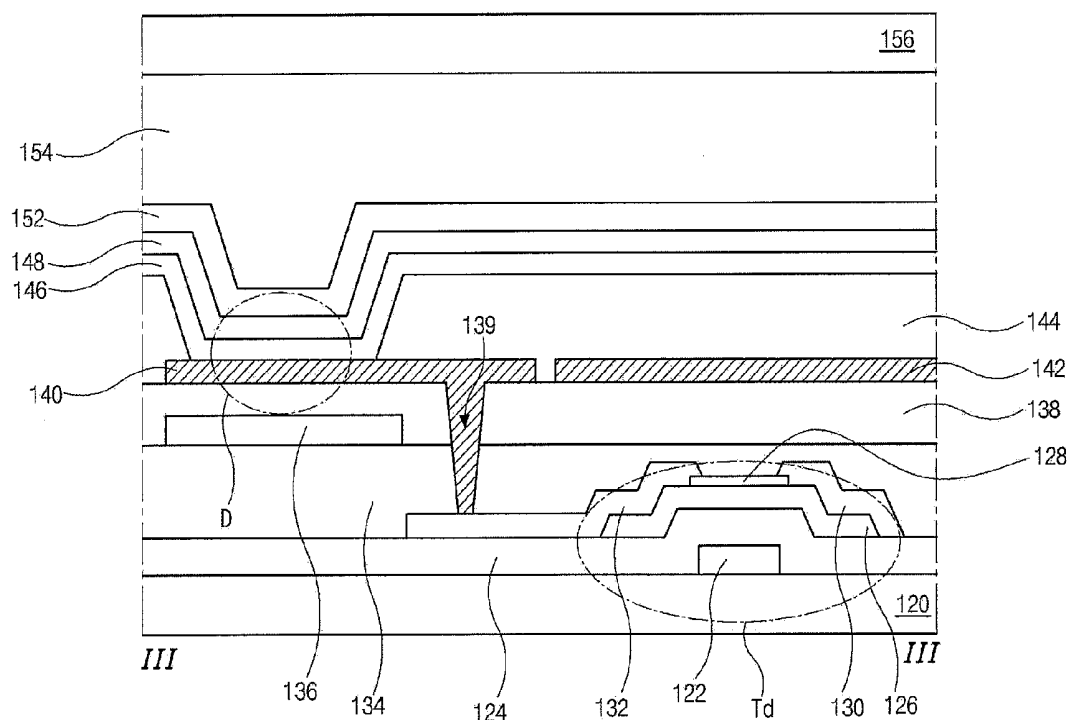
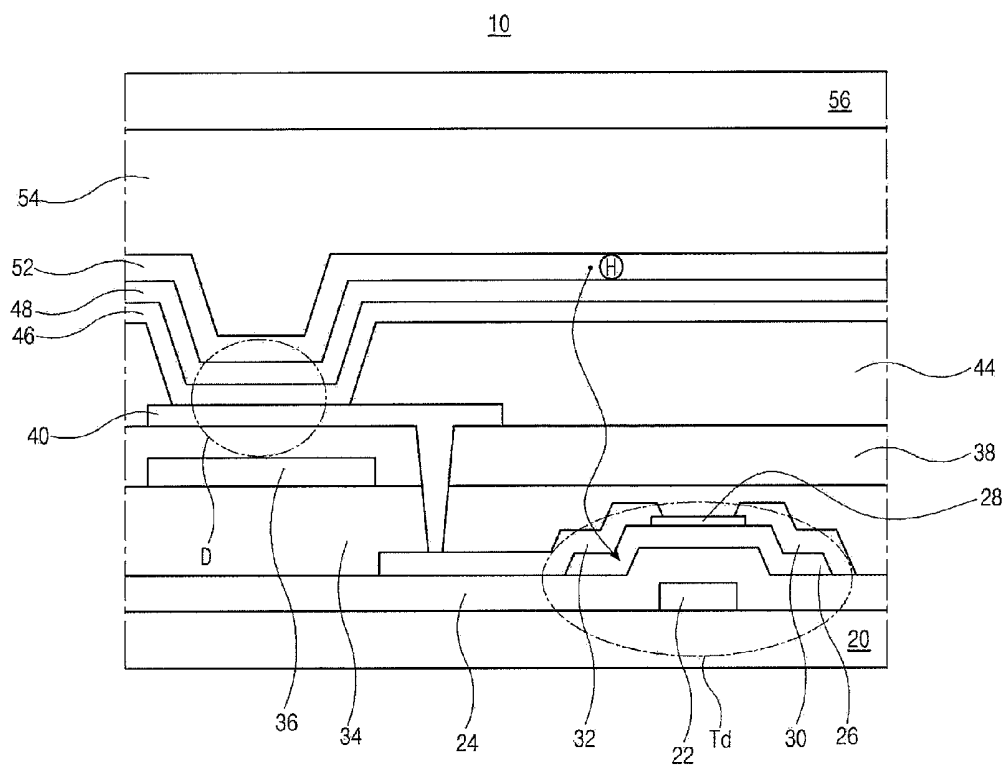


FIG. 1
Related Art



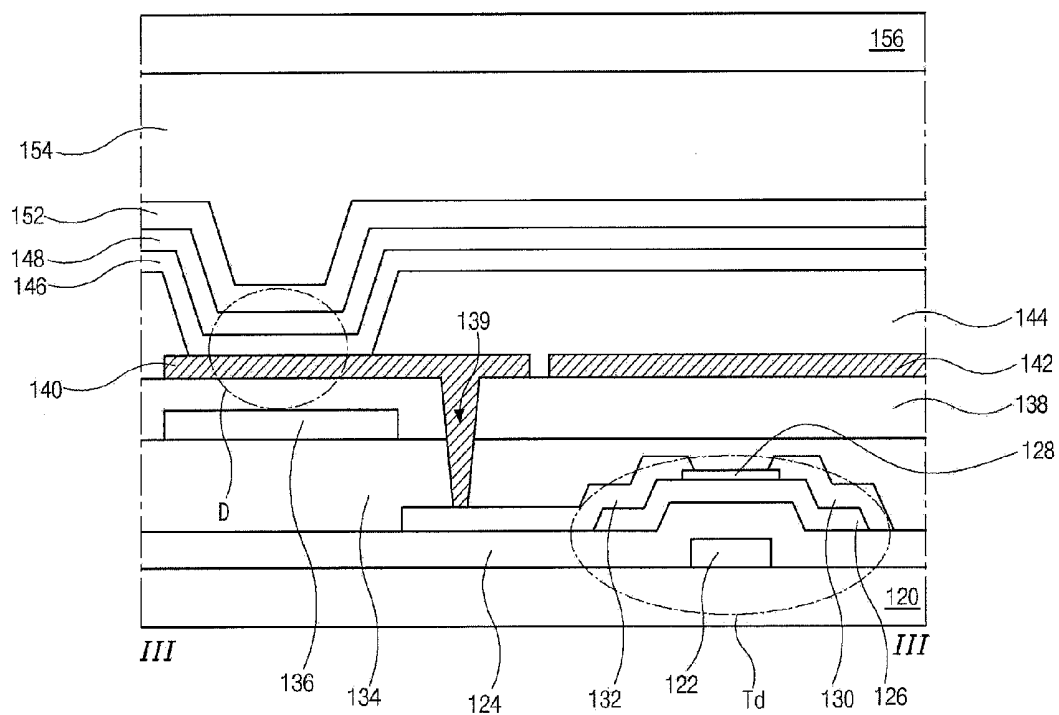
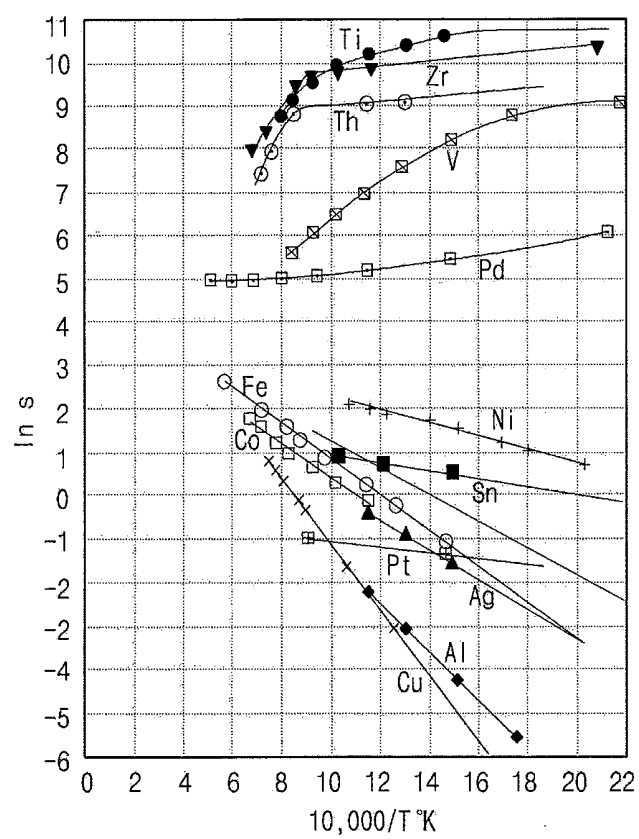


FIG. 4

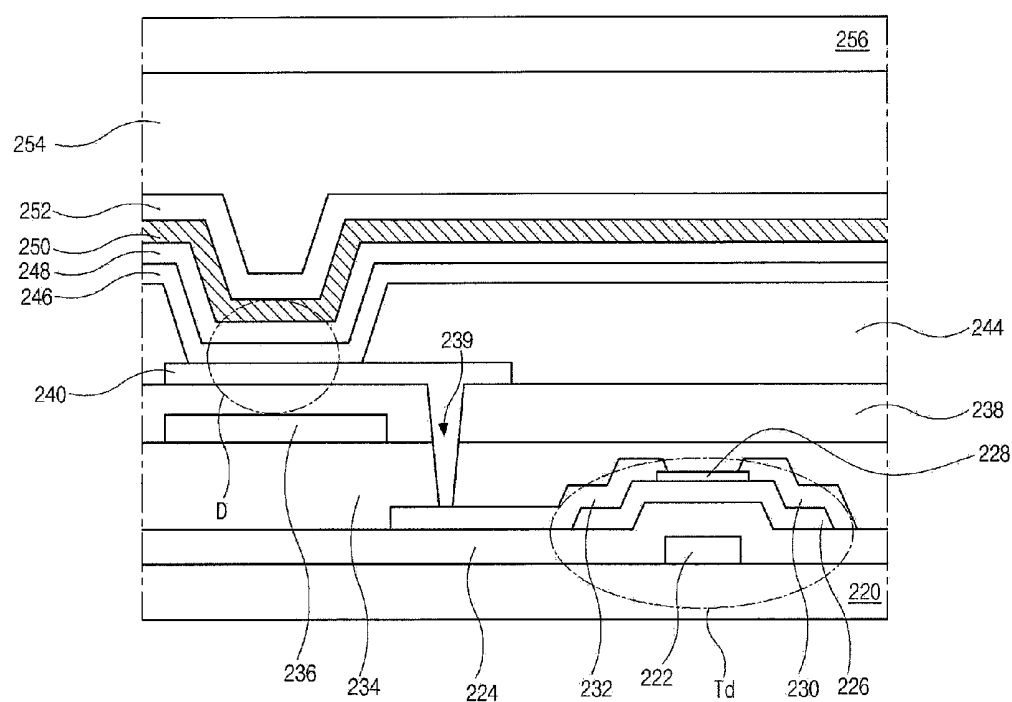


FIG. 6

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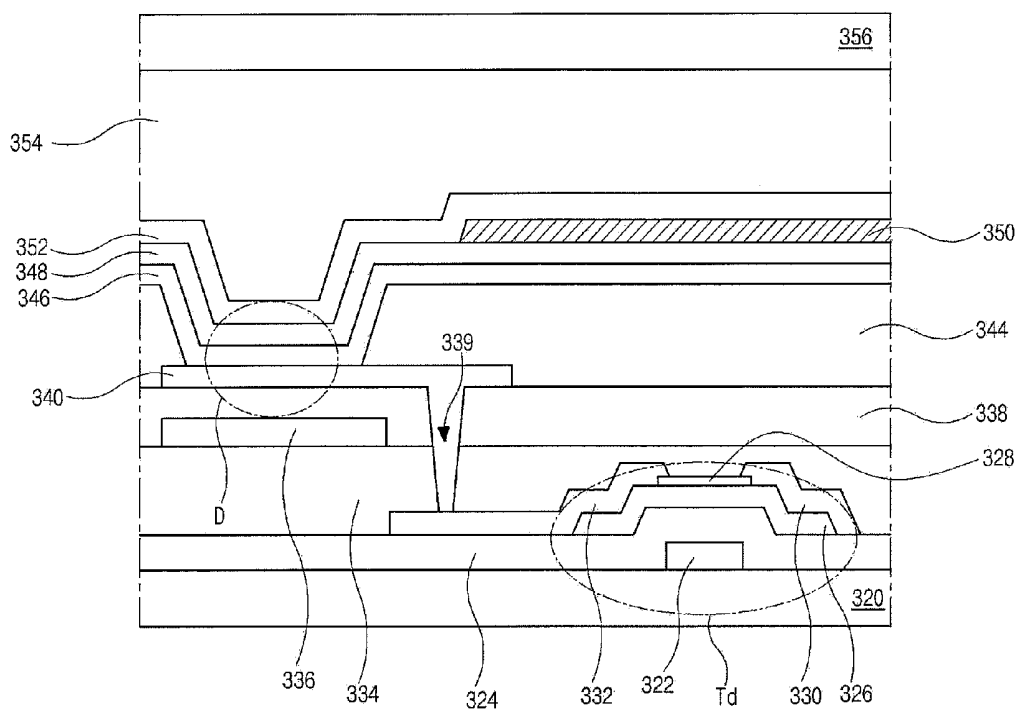


FIG. 7

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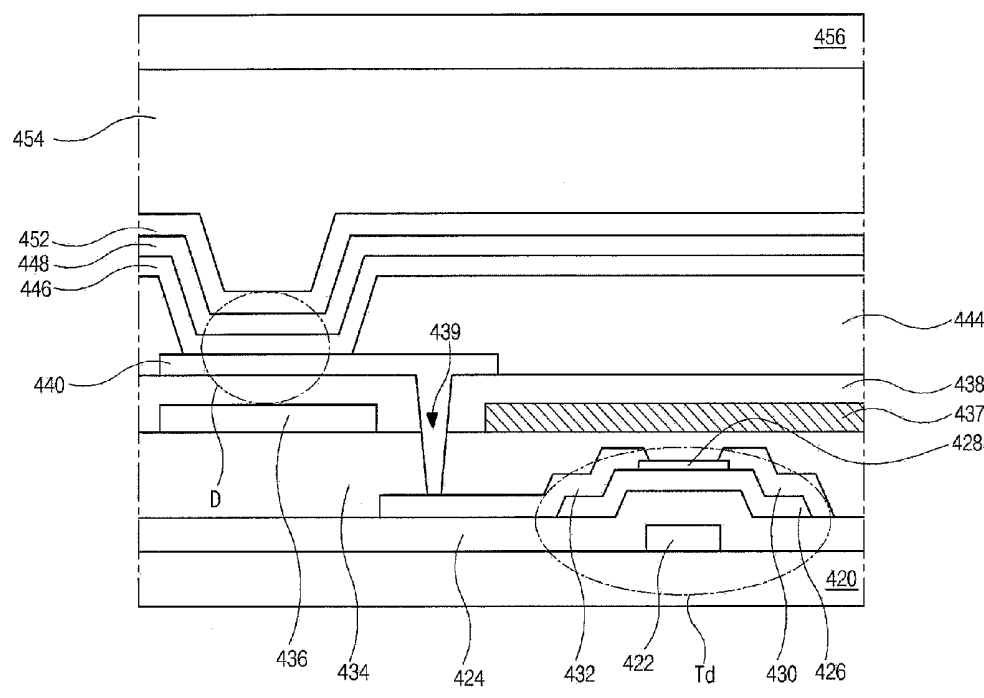


FIG. 8

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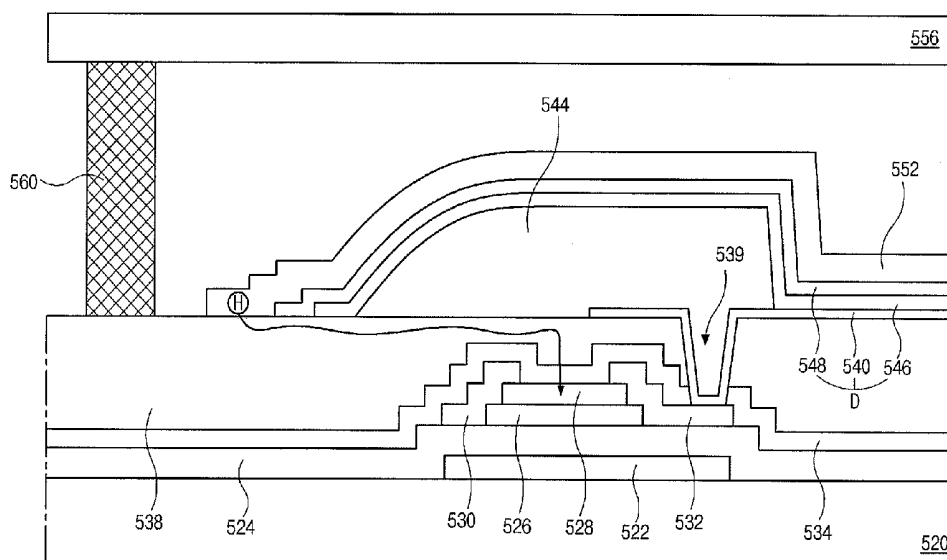


FIG. 9

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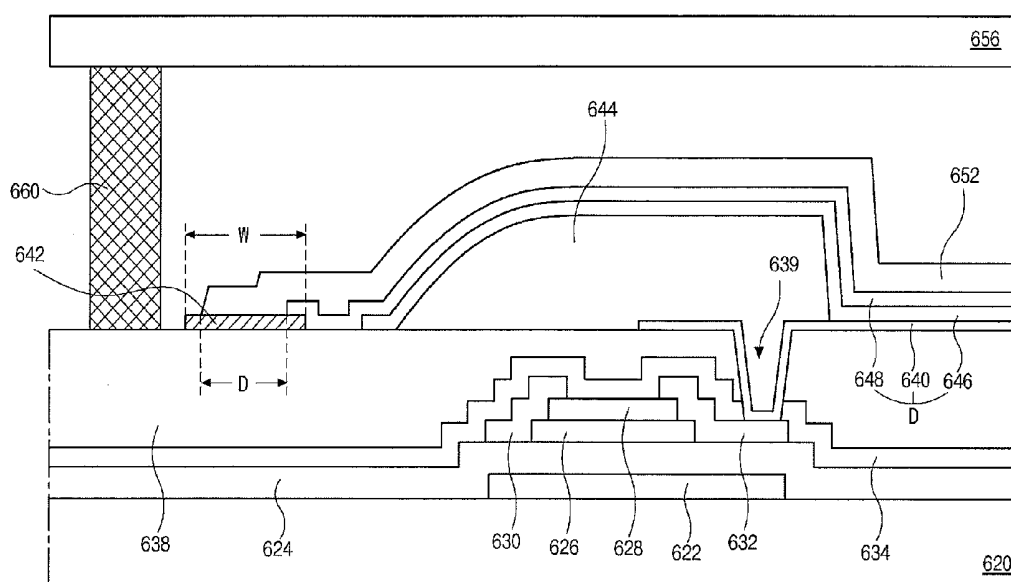
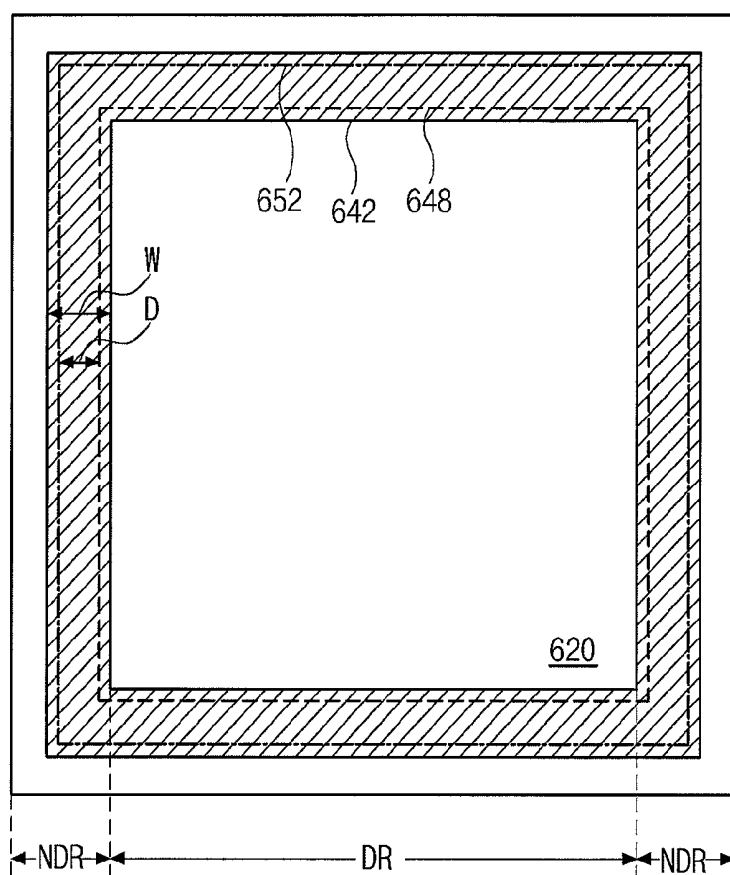


FIG. 10



**ORGANIC LIGHT EMITTING DIODE
DISPLAY DEVICE AND METHOD OF
FABRICATING THE SAME**

[0001] The present application claims the benefit of Korean Patent Application Nos. 10-2012-0150716 and 10-2013-0075523 filed in Korea on Dec. 21, 2012 and Jun. 28, 2013, respectively, both of which are herein incorporated by reference.

BACKGROUND

[0002] 1. Technical Field

[0003] The present invention relates to an organic light emitting diode (OLED) display device, and more particularly, to an OLED display device including an oxide semiconductor layer.

[0004] 2. Related Art

[0005] An OLED display device of new flat panel display devices has high brightness and low driving voltage. The OLED display device is a self-emitting type and has excellent characteristics of, for example, a view angle, a contrast ratio, a response time.

[0006] In addition, there is a big advantage in a production cost. A fabricating process of the OLED display device is very simple and requires a deposition apparatus and an encapsulating apparatus.

[0007] The OLED display device includes a plurality of pixel sub-regions in a pixel region. In each of the pixel sub-regions, a switching thin film transistor (TFT) and a driving TFT are formed. Generally, the TFTs are formed by using amorphous silicon as a semiconductor material.

[0008] Recently, to meet requirements of large size and high resolution, the OLED display device including the TFTs having faster signal process, more stable operation and durability is required. However, the TFT using amorphous silicon has a relatively low mobility, e.g., less than $1 \text{ cm}^2/\text{Vsec}$, and there is a limitation for the large and high resolution OLED display device.

[0009] Accordingly, an oxide TFT including an active layer of an oxide semiconductor material, which has an excellent electrical property, e.g., mobility and off-current, can be used to obviate some of these shortcomings.

[0010] FIG. 1 is a cross-sectional view of an OLED display device according to related art. As shown in FIG. 1, an OLED display device 10 includes first and second substrates 20 and 56, a driving TFT Td and an emitting diode D on the first substrate 20, and a seal layer 54 covering an entire surface between the first and second substrates 20 and 56.

[0011] The first and second substrates 20 and 56, which face together and are separated from each other, include a plurality of pixel sub-regions in a pixel region. The first substrate 20 may be referred to as a lower substrate, a TFT substrate or a backplane. The second substrate 56 may be referred to as an encapsulation substrate.

[0012] A gate electrode 22 is formed on the first substrate 20, and a gate insulating layer 24 is formed on the gate electrode 22. An oxide semiconductor layer 26 corresponding to the gate electrode 22 is formed on the gate insulating layer 24, and an etch stopper 28 is formed on the oxide semiconductor layer 26. In addition, a source electrode 30 and a drain electrode 32 are formed at both ends of the etch stopper 28 and the oxide semiconductor layer 26.

[0013] The gate electrode 22, the oxide semiconductor layer 26, the source electrode 30 and the drain electrode 32 constitute the driving TFT Td.

[0014] A first passivation layer 34 is formed on the driving TFT Td, and a color filter layer 36 is formed on the first passivation layer 34 and in each of the pixel sub-regions.

[0015] A planarization layer 38 is formed on the color filter layer 36 to remove a step difference, and a first electrode 40 corresponding to the color filter layer 36 is formed on the planarization layer 38. A drain contact hole exposing the drain electrode 32 of the driving TFT Td is formed through the first passivation layer 34 and the planarization layer 38, and the first electrode 40 is connected to the drain electrode 32 through the drain contact hole.

[0016] A bank 44 covering edges of the first electrode 40 is formed on the first electrode 40. In other words, the bank 44 includes an opening such that a center of the first electrode 40 is exposed.

[0017] An emitting layer 46, which contacts the first electrode 40 through the opening of the bank 44, is formed on the bank 44, and a second electrode 48 is formed on the emitting layer 46.

[0018] The first electrode 40, the emitting layer 46 and the second electrode 48 constitute the emitting diode D.

[0019] In addition, a second passivation layer 52 is formed on the emitting diode D. The seal layer 54 is formed on an entire surface of the second passivation layer 52 and the second substrate 56 such that the first and second substrates 20 and 56 are attached together.

[0020] In the OLED display device according to related art, damage to the emitting diode D resulting from an impact of outer moisture and particles is prevented by the second passivation layer 52. As described above, the second passivation layer 52 is formed over an entire surface of the first substrate 20 and the second passivation layer 52 covers the pixel region.

[0021] The second passivation layer 52 is formed by a plasma chemical vapor deposition (PCVD) apparatus or a physical vapor deposition (PVD) apparatus such as a sputter. For example, the second passivation layer 52 may be a silicon nitride (SiNx) layer, a silicon oxide nitride (SiON) layer or a silicon oxide (SiOx) layer formed in the PCVD apparatus or an alumina (AlOx) layer formed in the sputter.

[0022] However, when the second passivation layer 52 is formed of silicon compound in the PCVD apparatus or the PVD apparatus, the deposition process should be performed under a low temperature (e.g., less than about 100°C .) to prevent thermal degradation of the emitting layer 46. Due to the low process temperature, source gases do not completely react and hydrogen (H) residues from the source gases such as silane (SiH₄) gas or ammonia (NH₃) gas are generated in the second passivation layer 52.

[0023] The hydrogen residues are diffused into the oxide semiconductor layer 26 of the driving TFT Td through the planarization layer 38 and the first passivation layer 34 thereby generating a reduction process of the oxide semiconductor material of the oxide semiconductor layer 26.

[0024] As a result of the reduction of the oxide semiconductor which causes a threshold voltage shift of the driving TFT Td, brightness differences in an image are generated and a displaying quality of the OLED display device is decreased.

[0025] In addition, excessive currents created by the threshold voltage shift of the driving TFT Td can cause thermal damage to the OLED display device when the OLED display device is operated over a long period of time.

SUMMARY

[0026] Accordingly, the present invention is directed to an OLED display device that substantially obviates one or more of the problems due to limitations and disadvantages of the related art.

[0027] Additional features and advantages of the invention will be set forth in the description which follows, and in part will be apparent from the description, or may be learned by practice of the invention. These and other advantages of the invention will be realized and attained by the structure particularly pointed out in the written description and claims hereof as well as the appended drawings.

[0028] In accordance with the present invention, as embodied and broadly described herein, an organic light emitting diode display device according to an embodiment of the present invention includes a substrate; a gate line, a data line and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region; a thin film transistor in the pixel region; a first passivation layer on the thin film transistor; an emitting diode over the passivation layer and in the pixel region; a second passivation layer over the emitting diode; and a hydrogen blocking layer between the thin film transistor and the second passivation layer.

[0029] In another aspect, a method of fabricating an organic light emitting diode display device includes forming a gate line, a data line and a power line on a substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region; forming a thin film transistor in the pixel region; forming a first passivation layer on the thin film transistor; forming a hydrogen blocking layer over the first passivation layer, the hydrogen blocking layer corresponding to the thin film transistor; forming an emitting diode over the passivation layer; and forming a second passivation layer over the emitting diode.

[0030] In another aspect, a method of fabricating an organic light emitting diode display device includes forming a gate line, a data line and a power line on a substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region; forming a thin film transistor in the pixel region; forming a first passivation layer on the thin film transistor; forming an emitting diode over the passivation layer; forming a hydrogen blocking layer over the emitting diode; and forming a second passivation layer over the emitting diode.

[0031] In another aspect, an organic light emitting diode display device includes a substrate; gate lines, data lines and power lines on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a plurality of pixel regions; a thin film transistor in the pixel region; a planarization layer over the thin film transistor; a first electrode on the planarization layer in each pixel region; an emitting layer on the first electrode; a second electrode on the emitting layer and covering the plurality of pixel regions; a second passivation layer on the second electrode; and a hydrogen blocking layer covers the planarization layer exposed between the second passivation layer and the second electrode.

[0032] It is to be understood that both the foregoing general description and the following detailed description are exemplary and explanatory and are intended to provide further explanation of the invention as claimed.

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

[0033] The accompanying drawings, which are included to provide a further understanding of the invention and are incorporated in and constitute a part of this specification,

illustrate embodiments of the invention and together with the description serve to explain the principles of the invention.

[0034] FIG. 1 is a cross-sectional view of an OLED display device according to related art.

[0035] FIG. 2 is a plane view of an example of an OLED display device according to a first embodiment of the present invention.

[0036] FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line of FIG. 2.

[0037] FIG. 4 is a graph showing hydrogen solubility according to an example of a material of a hydrogen blocking layer for an OLED display device of the present invention.

[0038] FIG. 5 is a cross-sectional view of an example of an OLED display device according to a second embodiment of the present invention.

[0039] FIG. 6 is a cross-sectional view of an example of an OLED display device according to a third embodiment of the present invention.

[0040] FIG. 7 is a cross-sectional view of an example of an OLED display device according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention.

[0041] FIG. 8 is a cross-sectional view showing an example of an edge of an OLED display device.

[0042] FIG. 9 is a cross-section view of an example of an OLED display device according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention.

[0043] FIG. 10 is a plane view of the OLED display device according to the fifth embodiment of the present invention.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[0044] Reference will now be made in detail to the preferred embodiments, examples of which are illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

[0045] FIG. 2 is a plane view of an OLED display device according to a first embodiment of the present invention, and FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view taken along the line of FIG. 2.

[0046] As shown in FIGS. 2 and 3, an example of an OLED display device 110 according to the first embodiment of the present invention includes first and second substrates 120 and 156, a driving TFT Td, a switching TFT Ts, an emitting diode D on the first substrate 120, and a seal layer 154 between the first and second substrates 120 and 156. The first and second substrates 120 and 156 face together and are separated from each other. The seal layer 154 covers an entire surface of the first and second substrates 120 and 156.

[0047] The first and second substrates 120 and 156, which face together and are separated from each other, include a plurality of pixel sub-regions in a pixel region P. The first substrate 120 may be referred to as a lower substrate, a TFT substrate or a backplane. The second substrate 156 may be referred to as an encapsulation substrate.

[0048] A gate line 121 and a gate electrode 122 are formed on the first substrate 120. A gate insulating layer 124 is formed on the gate line 121 and the gate electrode 122. An oxide semiconductor layer 126 corresponding to the gate electrode 122 is formed on the gate insulating layer 124, and an etch stopper 128 is formed on the oxide semiconductor layer 126. A source electrode 130 and a drain electrode 132 are formed at both ends of the etch stopper 128 and the oxide semiconductor layer 126. In addition, a data line 127 and a power line 129 are formed on the gate insulating layer 124, wherein the data line 127 crosses the gate line 121 to define the pixel region P. The source electrode 130 may be connected to the power line 129.

[0049] The gate electrode 122, the oxide semiconductor layer 126, the source electrode 130 and the drain electrode 132 constitute the driving TFT Td.

[0050] Similar to the driving TFT Td, the switching TFT Ts includes a gate electrode, an oxide semiconductor layer, a source electrode and a drain electrode. The gate electrode of the switching TFT Ts may be connected to the gate line 121. The source electrode of the switching TFT Ts may be connected to the data line 127, and the drain electrode of the switching TFT Ts may be connected to the gate electrode 122 of the driving TFT Td.

[0051] Each of the oxide semiconductor layer 126 of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts is formed of an oxide semiconductor material, e.g., indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), zinc-indium-oxide (ZIO), zinc-gallium-oxide (ZGO) and zinc-tin-oxide (ZTO) which gives the driving TFT Td excellent electrical properties including high mobility, a low off-current and a uniform constant current.

[0052] A first passivation layer 134 is formed on the switching TFT Ts and the driving TFT Td, and a color filter layer 136 is formed on the first passivation layer 134 and in each of the pixel sub-regions in pixel region P. For example, the color filter layer 136 may include red, green and blue color filters in each of the pixel sub-regions in pixel region P, respectively.

[0053] A planarization layer 138 is formed on the color filter layer 136 to remove a step difference, and a drain contact hole 139 exposing the drain electrode 132 of the driving TFT Td is formed through the first passivation layer 134 and the planarization layer 138.

[0054] A first electrode 140 corresponding to the color filter layer 136 is formed on the planarization layer 138. The first electrode 140 is connected to the drain electrode 132 through the drain contact hole 139.

[0055] A first hydrogen blocking layer 142 corresponding to the driving TFT Td and a second hydrogen blocking layer 143 corresponding to the switching TFT Ts are formed on the planarization layer 138.

[0056] Diffusion of the hydrogen residues of a second passivation layer 152, which is formed in a below process, into the oxide semiconductor layer 126 of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts is prevented by the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143.

[0057] For example, the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 may have an area being equal to or larger than the oxide semiconductor layer 126 of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts, respectively.

[0058] To efficiently prevent the diffusion of the hydrogen residues, each of the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 may be formed of an inorganic material, e.g., indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

[0059] When the first electrode 140 is formed of ITO or IZO, the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 may be formed of the same material and on the same layer as the first electrode 140. The first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 may be spaced apart from the first electrode 140 to avoid a parasitic capacitance between each of the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and

143 and each of the driving and switching TFTs Td and Ts. Alternatively, the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 may extend from the first electrode 140.

[0060] In this instance, since the first electrode 140 and the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 can be formed by a single mask process, the OLED display device does not need multiple fabrications processes for forming the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143.

[0061] The first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 may be formed by a chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method or a physical vapor deposition (PVD) method.

[0062] A bank 144 covering edges of the first electrode 140 is formed on the first electrode 140 and the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143. In other words, the bank 144 includes an opening such that a center of the first electrode 140 is exposed.

[0063] An emitting layer 146, which contacts the first electrode 140 through the opening of the bank 144, is formed on the bank 144, and a second electrode 148 is formed on the emitting layer 146.

[0064] The first electrode 140, the emitting layer 146 and the second electrode 148 constitute the emitting diode D.

[0065] In addition, a second passivation layer 152 is formed on the emitting diode D.

[0066] The second passivation layer 152 may be a silicon nitride (SiNx) layer, a silicon oxide nitride (SiON) layer or a silicon oxide (SiOx) layer formed by a plasma chemical vapor deposition (PCVD) apparatus or a physical vapor deposition (PVD) apparatus such as a sputter.

[0067] The second passivation layer 152 is formed of silicon compound in the PCVD apparatus or the PVD apparatus under a low temperature (e.g., less than about 100° C.) to prevent thermal degradation of the emitting layer 146.

[0068] The seal layer 154 is formed on an entire surface of the second passivation layer 152 and the second substrate 156 such that the first and second substrates 120 and 156 are attached. Alternatively, the OLED has a top surface of the second passivation layer without the seal layer and the second substrate.

[0069] In the OLED display device according to related art, damages on the emitting diode D resulting from an impact of outer moisture and particles is prevented by the second passivation layer 152. As described above, the second passivation layer 152 is formed over an entire surface of the first substrate 120 and the second passivation layer 52 covers the pixel region P.

[0070] In addition, due to the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 covering the oxide semiconductor layer 126 of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts, respectively, the diffusion of the hydrogen residues of the second passivation layer 152 into the oxide semiconductor layer 126 of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts is prevented.

[0071] On the other hand, the hydrogen blocking degree of the inorganic material of the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143 depends on hydrogen solubility of the inorganic material of the first and second hydrogen blocking layers 142 and 143.

[0072] Referring to FIG. 4, which is a graph showing hydrogen solubility according to a material of a hydrogen blocking layer for an OLED display device of the present invention, Ti, Zr, Th, V, Pd, Ni and Sn have a relatively high hydrogen solubility, while Au, Ag, aluminum (Al), Pt and Cu

have a relatively low hydrogen solubility. Considering hydrogen solubility, an adhesive property, an anti-oxidation property and a process temperature, the first and second hydrogen blocking layers **142** and **143** may be formed of one of Ti, Zr, Th, V, Pd, Ni and Sn. In addition, since the alloy of the above high hydrogen solubility inorganic material, i.e., Ti, Zr, Th, V, Pd, Ni and Sn, has a relatively low melting temperature, there is an advantage in a process temperature when the first and second hydrogen blocking layers **142** and **143** are formed of the alloy of the above high hydrogen solubility inorganic material.

[0073] In the above-mentioned OLED display device **110** according to the first embodiment of the present invention, since the diffusion of the hydrogen residues of the second passivation layer **152** into the oxide semiconductor layer **126** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts is prevented by the first and second hydrogen blocking layers **142** and **143**, which are respectively positioned between the second passivation layer **152** and each of the oxide semiconductor layer **126** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts, the reduction of the oxide semiconductor layer **126** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts is prevented. As a result, defects such as brightness differences in images for the OLED display device are prevented, and a displaying quality of the OLED display device is improved.

[0074] In the above-mentioned OLED display device, since the emitting layer **146** emits white light such that the color filter layer **136** is formed to provide color images. Alternatively, the emitting layers in the pixel sub-regions may emit red light, green light and blue light. In this instance, the color filter layer **136** and the planarization layer **138** may be omitted.

[0075] In addition, in the above-mentioned OLED display device, the first and second substrates **120** and **156** are attached by the seal layer **154**. Alternatively, the first and second substrates may be attached by a seal pattern formed at edges of the first and second substrates.

[0076] FIG. 5 is a plane view of an example of an OLED display device according to a second embodiment of the present invention.

[0077] As shown in FIG. 5, an OLED display device **210** according to the second embodiment of the present invention includes first and second substrates **220** and **256**, a driving TFT Td, a switching TFT and an emitting diode D on the first substrate **220**, and a seal layer **254** covering an entire surface between the first and second substrates **220** and **256**.

[0078] The first and second substrates **220** and **256**, which face and are separated from each other, include a plurality of pixel sub-regions in a pixel region. The first substrate **220** may be referred to as a lower substrate, a TFT substrate or a backplane. The second substrate **256** may be referred to as an incapsulation substrate.

[0079] A gate line (refer to FIG. 2) and a gate electrode **222** are formed on the first substrate **220**, and a gate insulating layer **224** is formed on the gate line and the gate electrode **222**. An oxide semiconductor layer **226** corresponding to the gate electrode **222** is formed on the gate insulating layer **224**, and an etch stopper **228** is formed on the oxide semiconductor layer **226**. A source electrode **230** and a drain electrode **232** are formed at both ends of the etch stopper **228** and the oxide semiconductor layer **226**. In addition, a data line (refer to FIG. 2), which crosses the gate line to define the pixel region, and

a power line (refer to FIG. 2) are formed on the gate insulating layer **224**. The source electrode **230** may be connected to the power line.

[0080] The gate electrode **222**, the oxide semiconductor layer **226**, the source electrode **230** and the drain electrode **232** constitute the driving TFT Td.

[0081] Similar to the driving TFT Td, the switching TFT includes a gate electrode, an oxide semiconductor layer, a source electrode and a drain electrode. The gate electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the gate line. The source electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the data line, and the drain electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the gate electrode **222** of the driving TFT Td.

[0082] Each of the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is formed of an oxide semiconductor material, e.g., indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), zinc-indium-oxide (ZIO), zinc-gallium-oxide (ZGO) and zinc-tin-oxide (ZTO) which gives the driving TFT Td excellent electrical properties including high mobility, a low off-current and a uniform constant current.

[0083] A first passivation layer **234** is formed on the switching TFT and the driving TFT Td, and a color filter layer **236** is formed on the first passivation layer **234** and in of the pixel sub-regions. For example, the color filter layer **236** may include red, green and blue color filters in the pixel sub-regions, respectively.

[0084] A planarization layer **238** is formed on the color filter layer **236** to remove a step difference, and a drain contact hole **239** exposing the drain electrode **232** of the driving TFT Td is formed through the first passivation layer **234** and the planarization layer **238**.

[0085] A first electrode **240** corresponding to the color filter layer **236** is formed on the planarization layer **238**. The first electrode **240** is connected to the drain electrode **232** through the drain contact hole **239**.

[0086] A bank **244** covering edges of the first electrode **240** is formed on the first electrode **240**. In other words, the bank **244** includes an opening such that a center of the first electrode **240** is exposed.

[0087] An emitting layer **246**, which contacts the first electrode **240** through the opening of the bank **244**, is formed on the bank **244**, and a second electrode **248** is formed on the emitting layer **246**.

[0088] The first electrode **240**, the emitting layer **246** and the second electrode **248** constitute the emitting diode D.

[0089] A hydrogen blocking layer **250** is formed on the second electrode **248** of the emitting diode D.

[0090] Diffusion of the hydrogen residues of a second passivation layer **252**, which is formed in a below process, into the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented by the hydrogen blocking layer **250**.

[0091] For example, the blocking layer **250** may be formed over an entire surface of the first substrate **220** to cover the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT and the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td. Alternatively, the blocking layer **250** may have an island shape corresponding to the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT and the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td.

[0092] To efficiently prevent the diffusion of the hydrogen residues, the hydrogen blocking layer **250** may be formed of

an inorganic material, e.g., indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

[0093] The hydrogen blocking layer **250** may be formed by a chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method or a physical vapor deposition (PVD) method.

[0094] A second passivation layer **252** is formed on the hydrogen blocking layer **250**. The seal layer **254** is formed on an entire surface of the second passivation layer **252** and the second substrate **256** such that the first and second substrates **220** and **256** are attached.

[0095] In the above-mentioned OLED display device **210** according to the second embodiment of the present invention, since the diffusion of the hydrogen residues of the second passivation layer **252** into the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented by the hydrogen blocking layer **250**, which is positioned between the second passivation layer **252** and each of the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT, the reduction of the oxide semiconductor layer **226** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented. As a result, defects such as brightness differences in images for the OLED display device are prevented, and a displaying quality of the OLED display device is improved.

[0096] In the above-mentioned OLED display device, the emitting layer **246** emits white light to form the color filter layer **236** to provide color images. Alternatively, the emitting layers in the pixel sub-regions may emit red light, green light and blue light. In this instance, the color filter layer **236** and the planarization layer **238** may be omitted.

[0097] In addition, in the above-mentioned OLED display device, the first and second substrates **220** and **256** are attached by the seal layer **254**. Alternatively, the first and second substrates may be attached by a seal pattern formed at edges of the first and second substrates.

[0098] On the other hand, the blocking layer may have an island shape corresponding to the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT and the oxide semiconductor layer of the driving TFT. This structure will be explained with reference to FIG. 6.

[0099] FIG. 6 is a plane view of an example of an OLED display device according to a third embodiment of the present invention.

[0100] As shown in FIG. 6, an OLED display device **310** according to the third embodiment of the present invention includes first and second substrates **320** and **356**, a driving TFT Td, a switching TFT and an emitting diode D on the first substrate **320**, and a seal layer **354** covering an entire surface between the first and second substrates **320** and **356**.

[0101] The switching TFT, the driving TFT and the emitting diode D have substantially the same structures as those of the OLED display device according to the second embodiment of the present invention. Explanation to the switching TFT, the driving TFT and the emitting diode D is omitted.

[0102] A hydrogen blocking layer **350** is formed on the second electrode **348** of the emitting diode D. Namely, different from the hydrogen blocking layer **250** (refer to FIG. 5), the hydrogen blocking layer **350** has an island shape to com-

pletely cover the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT and the oxide semiconductor layer **326** of the driving TFT Td.

[0103] Diffusion of the hydrogen residues of a second passivation layer **352**, which is formed in a below process, into the oxide semiconductor layer **326** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented by the hydrogen blocking layer **350**.

[0104] To efficiently prevent the diffusion of the hydrogen residues, the hydrogen blocking layer **350** may be formed of an inorganic material, e.g., indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

[0105] The hydrogen blocking layer **350** may be formed by a chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method or a physical vapor deposition (PVD) method.

[0106] The second passivation layer **352** and the seal layer **354** over the hydrogen blocking layer **350** have substantially the same structures as those of the OLED display device according to the second embodiment of the present invention. Explanation to the second passivation layer **352** and the seal layer **354** is omitted.

[0107] In the above-mentioned OLED display device **310** according to the third embodiment of the present invention, since the diffusion of the hydrogen residues of the second passivation layer **352** into the oxide semiconductor layer **326** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented by the hydrogen blocking layer **350**, which is positioned between the second passivation layer **352** and each of the oxide semiconductor layer **326** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT, the reduction of the oxide semiconductor layer **326** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented. As a result, defects such as brightness differences in images for the OLED display device are prevented, and a displaying quality of the OLED display device is improved.

[0108] In addition, since the hydrogen blocking layer **350** has an island shape to completely cover the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT and the oxide semiconductor layer **326** of the driving TFT Td, the OLED display device **310** in a top emission type has an improved brightness because the blocking layer **350** is not cover the second electrode **348** corresponding to the emitting layer **346**.

[0109] Alternatively, the hydrogen blocking layer may be positioned between the first passivation layer and the planarization layer. This structure will be explained with reference to FIG. 7.

[0110] FIG. 7 is a plane view of an example of an OLED display device according to a fourth embodiment of the present invention. The explanation is focused on difference with other embodiments.

[0111] As shown in FIG. 7, an OLED display device **410** according to the fourth embodiment of the present invention includes first and second substrates **420** and **456**, a driving TFT Td, a switching TFT and an emitting diode D on the first substrate **420**, and a seal layer **454** covering an entire surface between the first and second substrates **420** and **456**.

[0112] The switching TFT, the driving TFT and the emitting diode D have substantially the same structures as those of the OLED display device according to the first embodiment

of the present invention. Explanation to the switching TFT, the driving TFT and the emitting diode D is omitted.

[0113] A first passivation layer **434** is formed on the switching TFT and the driving TFT Td, and a color filter layer **436** is formed on the first passivation layer **434** and in each of the pixel sub-regions. For example, the color filter layer **436** may include red, green and blue color filters in each of the pixel sub-regions, respectively.

[0114] A hydrogen blocking layer **437** corresponding to the switching TFT and the driving TFT Td is formed on the first passivation layer **434**. The hydrogen blocking layer **437** has an island shape to completely cover the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT and the oxide semiconductor layer **426** of the driving TFT Td.

[0115] Diffusion of the hydrogen residues of a second passivation layer **452**, which is formed in a below process, into the oxide semiconductor layer **426** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT Ts is prevented by the hydrogen blocking layer **437**.

[0116] To efficiently prevent the diffusion of the hydrogen residues, the hydrogen blocking layer **437** may be formed of an inorganic material, e.g., indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

[0117] The hydrogen blocking layer **437** may be formed by a chemical vapor deposition (CVD) method or a physical vapor deposition (PVD) method.

[0118] A planarization layer **438** is formed on the color filter layer **436** and the hydrogen blocking layer **437** to remove a step difference, and a drain contact hole **439** exposing the drain electrode **432** of the driving TFT Td is formed through the first passivation layer **434** and the planarization layer **438**.

[0119] In the above-mentioned OLED display device **410** according to the second embodiment of the present invention, since the diffusion of the hydrogen residues of the second passivation layer **452** into the oxide semiconductor layer **426** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented by the hydrogen blocking layer **437**, which is positioned between the second passivation layer **452** and each of the oxide semiconductor layer **426** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT, the reduction of the oxide semiconductor layer **426** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is prevented. As a result, defects such as brightness differences in images for the OLED display device are prevented, and a displaying quality of the OLED display device is improved.

[0120] On the other hand, referring to FIG. 8, which is a cross-sectional view showing an example of an edge of an OLED display device, wherein hydrogen diffusion is generated at an edge of the OLED display device such that a brightness difference problem is generated in the pixel regions along the edge of the OLED display device.

[0121] In more detail, for example, an OLED display device **510** includes first and second substrates **520** and **556**, a driving TFT Td, a switching TFT (refer to FIG. 2) and an emitting diode D on the first substrate **520**, and a seal pattern **560** at edges between the first and second substrates **520** and **556**.

[0122] The first and second substrates **520** and **556**, which face together and are separated from each other, include a

plurality of pixel sub-regions in a pixel region (refer to FIG. 5). The first substrate **520** may be referred to as a lower substrate, a TFT substrate or a backplane. The second substrate **556** may be referred to as an encapsulation substrate.

[0123] A gate line (refer to FIG. 2) and a gate electrode **522** are formed on the first substrate **520**, and a gate insulating layer **524** is formed on the gate line and the gate electrode **522**. An oxide semiconductor layer **526** corresponding to the gate electrode **522** is formed on the gate insulating layer **524**, and an etch stopper **528** is formed on the oxide semiconductor layer **526**. A source electrode **530** and a drain electrode **532** are formed at both ends of the etch stopper **528** and the oxide semiconductor layer **526**. In addition, a data line (refer to FIG. 2), which crosses the gate line to define the pixel region, and a power line (refer to FIG. 2) are formed on the gate insulating layer **524**. The source electrode **530** may be connected to the power line.

[0124] The gate electrode **522**, the oxide semiconductor layer **526**, the source electrode **530** and the drain electrode **532** constitute the driving TFT Td.

[0125] Similar to the driving TFT Td, the switching TFT includes a gate electrode, an oxide semiconductor layer, a source electrode and a drain electrode. The gate electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the gate line. The source electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the data line, and the drain electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the gate electrode **522** of the driving TFT Td.

[0126] Each of the oxide semiconductor layer **526** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is formed of an oxide semiconductor material, e.g., indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), zinc-indium-oxide (ZIO), zinc-gallium-oxide (ZGO) and zinc-tin-oxide (ZTO) such that the driving TFT Td has excellent electrical properties of a high mobility, low off-current and uniform constant current.

[0127] A first passivation layer **534** is formed on the switching TFT and the driving TFT Td. Although not shown, a color filter layer is formed on the first passivation layer **534** and in each pixel region. For example, the color filter layer may include red, green and blue color filters in the pixel regions, respectively.

[0128] A planarization layer **538** is formed on the first passivation layer **534** to remove a step difference, and a drain contact hole **539** exposing the drain electrode **532** of the driving TFT Td is formed through the first passivation layer **534** and the planarization layer **538**.

[0129] A first electrode **540** corresponding to the pixel region is formed on the planarization layer **538**. The first electrode **540** is connected to the drain electrode **532** through the drain contact hole **539**.

[0130] A bank **544** covering edges of the first electrode **540** is formed on the first electrode **540**. In other words, the bank **544** includes an opening such that a center of the first electrode **540** is exposed.

[0131] An emitting layer **546**, which contacts the first electrode **540** through the opening of the bank **544**, is formed on the bank **544**, and a second electrode **548** is formed on the emitting layer **546**.

[0132] The first electrode **540**, the emitting layer **546** and the second electrode **548** constitute the emitting diode D.

[0133] A second passivation layer **552** is formed on the second electrode **548**. The seal pattern **560** is formed at the

edge between the first and second substrates **520** and **556** to seal a space between the first and second substrates **520** and **556**.

[0134] In the above OLED display device **510**, the second passivation layer **552** should completely cover the second electrode **548** to avoid an erosion problem of the second electrode **548**. Namely, the second passivation layer **552** should have an area larger than the second electrode **548**. If the second electrode **548** is incompletely covered by the second passivation layer **552**, the second electrode **548** is exposed to moistures which pass through the seal pattern **560**. As a result, the second electrode **548** is eroded.

[0135] On the other hand, in the above OLED display device **510**, the hydrogen residue in the second passivation layer **552** is diffused through the planarization layer **538** and the first passivation layer **534**. As a result, the hydrogen residue is diffused into the oxide semiconductor layer **526** such that properties of the TFT is degraded and brightness difference in an image are generated. Particularly, the second passivation layer **552** contacts the planarization layer **538** with the second electrode **548** in edges of a display region, the above problems can frequently be generated in the edges of the OLED display device.

[0136] An OLED display device, which can prevent the above problems, is explained.

[0137] FIG. 9 is a cross-section view of an OLED display device according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention. FIG. 10 is a plane view of an OLED display device according to a fifth embodiment of the present invention.

[0138] As shown in FIG. 9, an OLED display device **610** includes first and second substrates **620** and **656**, a driving TFT Td, a switching TFT (not shown) and an emitting diode D on the first substrate **620**, and a seal pattern **660** at edges between the first and second substrates **620** and **656**.

[0139] The first and second substrates **620** and **656**, which face and are separated from each other, include a plurality of pixel regions (not shown). The first substrate **620** includes a display region DR and a non-display region NDR. The plurality of pixel regions are disposed in the display region DR. The first substrate **620** may be referred to as a lower substrate, a TFT substrate or a backplane. The second substrate **656** may be referred to as an encapsulation substrate.

[0140] A gate line (refer to FIG. 2) and a gate electrode **622** are formed on the first substrate **620**, and a gate insulating layer **624** is formed on the gate line and the gate electrode **622**. An oxide semiconductor layer **626** corresponding to the gate electrode **622** is formed on the gate insulating layer **624**, and an etch stopper **628** is formed on the oxide semiconductor layer **626**. A source electrode **630** and a drain electrode **632** are formed at both ends of the etch stopper **628** and the oxide semiconductor layer **626**. In addition, a data line (refer to FIG. 2), which crosses the gate line to define the pixel region, and a power line (refer to FIG. 2) are formed on the gate insulating layer **624**. The source electrode **630** may be connected to the power line.

[0141] The gate electrode **622**, the oxide semiconductor layer **626**, the source electrode **630** and the drain electrode **632** constitute the driving TFT Td.

[0142] Similar to the driving TFT Td, the switching TFT includes a gate electrode, an oxide semiconductor layer, a source electrode and a drain electrode. The gate electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the gate line. The source electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to

the data line, and the drain electrode of the switching TFT may be connected to the gate electrode **622** of the driving TFT Td.

[0143] Each of the oxide semiconductor layer **626** of the driving TFT Td and the oxide semiconductor layer of the switching TFT is formed of an oxide semiconductor material, e.g., indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), zinc-indium-oxide (ZIO), zinc-gallium-oxide (ZGO) and zinc-tin-oxide (ZTO) such that the driving TFT Td has excellent electrical properties of a high mobility, low off-current and uniform constant current.

[0144] A first passivation layer **634** is formed on the switching TFT and the driving TFT Td. Although not shown, a color filter layer is formed on the first passivation layer **634** and in each pixel region. For example, the color filter layer may include red, green and blue color filters in the pixel regions, respectively.

[0145] A planarization layer **638** is formed on the first passivation layer **634** to remove a step difference, and a drain contact hole **639** exposing the drain electrode **632** of the driving TFT Td is formed through the first passivation layer **634** and the planarization layer **638**.

[0146] A first electrode **640** corresponding to the pixel region is formed on the planarization layer **638**. The first electrode **640** may be formed of indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO). The first electrode **640** is connected to the drain electrode **632** through the drain contact hole **639**.

[0147] A bank **644** covering edges of the first electrode **640** is formed on the first electrode **640**. In other words, the bank **644** includes an opening such that a center of the first electrode **640** is exposed.

[0148] An emitting layer **646**, which contacts the first electrode **640** through the opening of the bank **644**, is formed on the bank **644**, and a second electrode **648** is formed on the emitting layer **646**. The second electrode **648** may be formed of aluminum (Al) or Al alloy.

[0149] The first electrode **640**, the emitting layer **646** and the second electrode **648** constitute the emitting diode D.

[0150] A second passivation layer **652** is formed on the second electrode **648**. The second passivation layer **652** completely covers the second electrode **648** to avoid an erosion problem of the second electrode **648**.

[0151] In addition, a hydrogen blocking layer **642** is formed between the second passivation layer **652** and the planarization layer **638** to prevent the hydrogen diffusion from the second passivation layer **652** into the oxide semiconductor layer **626**.

[0152] Referring to FIG. 10 with FIG. 9, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** with a width W may surround the display region DR of the OLED display device.

[0153] As explained above, the second passivation layer **652** should completely cover the second electrode **648**. Namely, an end of the second passivation layer **652** should be spaced apart from an end of the second electrode **648** by a distance D.

[0154] The hydrogen blocking layer **642** has the width W being equal to or larger than the distance D between the end of the second passivation layer **652** and the end of the second electrode **648** and completely overlaps a space between the end of the second passivation layer **652** and the end of the second electrode **648**. In other words, one end of the hydrogen blocking layer **642** is protruded from the end of the second passivation layer **652**, and the other end of the hydrogen

blocking layer **642** covers the end of the second electrode **648** or is covered by the end of the second electrode **648**. As a result, the second passivation layer **652** does not contact the planarization layer **638** such that diffusion of hydrogen residue in the second passivation layer **652** into the oxide semiconductor layer **626** through the planarization layer **638** and the first passivation layer **634** is sufficiently prevented.

[0155] The hydrogen blocking layer **642** is disposed between the end of the second passivation layer **652** and the end of the second electrode **648** to cover the planarization layer **638** exposed between the second passivation layer **652** and the second electrode **648**.

[0156] The hydrogen blocking layer **642** includes one of a metal, a metal alloy, and an oxide of the metal alloy. For example, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** may be formed of one of indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

[0157] In FIG. 9, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** is disposed between the second electrode **648** and the planarization layer **638**. In this instance, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** may be formed at the same layer and of the same material as the first electrode **640** by a single mask process. The hydrogen blocking layer **642** and the first electrode **640** may be formed of ITO, IGZO or IZO.

[0158] A portion of an upper surface of the hydrogen blocking layer **642** contacts the second passivation layer **652**, and an entire of a lower surface of the hydrogen blocking layer **642** contacts the planarization layer **638**. In this instance, a contact area of the hydrogen blocking layer **642** and the planarization layer **638** is larger than a contact area of the hydrogen blocking layer **638** and the second passivation layer **652**.

[0159] Alternatively, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** may be disposed between second electrode **648** and the second passivation layer **652** such that an end of the hydrogen blocking layer **642** covers an end of the second electrode **648**.

[0160] The seal pattern **660** is formed at the edge between the first and second substrates **620** and **656** to seal a space between the first and second substrates **620** and **656**. Alternatively, instead of the seal pattern **660**, a seal layer **154** (refer to FIG. 1) is formed between the second substrate **656** and the second passivation layer **652**.

[0161] A method of fabricating the OLED is briefly explained with reference to FIG. 9.

[0162] The gate line (refer to FIG. 2) and the gate electrode **622** are formed on the first substrate **620**. The gate insulating layer **624** is formed on the gate line and the gate electrode **622**.

[0163] Next, the oxide semiconductor layer **626** corresponding to the gate electrode **622** is formed on the gate insulating layer **624**.

[0164] Next, the etch stopper **628** for protecting the oxide semiconductor layer **626** is formed on the oxide semiconductor layer **626**.

[0165] Next, the source electrode **630**, the drain electrode **632**, the data line (refer to FIG. 2), the power line (refer to FIG. 2) are formed. The source electrode **630** and the drain electrode **632** are formed at both ends of the etch stopper **628** and the oxide semiconductor layer **626**. The data line crosses the gate line to define the pixel region. The source electrode **630** may be connected to the power line and spaced apart from the drain electrode **632**.

[0166] Next, the first passivation layer **634** is formed on the driving TFT Td.

[0167] Next, the planarization layer **638** is formed on the first passivation layer **634**. The planarization layer **638** and the first passivation layer **634** are patterned to form the drain contact hole **639** exposing the drain electrode **632** of the driving TFT Td.

[0168] Next, the first electrode **640** corresponding to the pixel region is formed on the planarization layer **638**. In addition, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** may be formed on the planarization layer **638**. The hydrogen blocking layer **642** may be formed on the same layer and of the same material as the first electrode **640**. In this instance, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** and the first electrode **640** may be simultaneously formed.

[0169] Next, the bank **644** covering edges of the first electrode **640** is formed on the first electrode **640**.

[0170] Next, the emitting layer **646**, which contacts the first electrode **640** through the opening of the bank **644**, is formed on the bank **644**.

[0171] Next, the second electrode **648** is formed on the emitting layer **646**.

[0172] Next, the second passivation layer **652** is formed on the second electrode **648**. If the hydrogen blocking layer **642** is not formed on the planarization layer **638**, the hydrogen blocking layer **642** is formed after forming the second electrode **648** and before forming the second passivation layer **652**.

[0173] Next, the seal pattern **660** is formed at the edge of one of the first and second substrates **620** and **656**, and the first and second substrates **620** and **656** are attached.

[0174] It will be apparent to those skilled in the art that various modifications and variations can be made in the present invention without departing from the spirit or scope of the invention. Thus, it is intended that the present invention cover the modifications and variations of this invention provided they come within the scope of the appended claims and their equivalents.

What is claimed is:

1. An organic light emitting diode display device, comprising:

- a substrate;
- an oxide semiconductor layer over the substrate;
- a planarization layer over the oxide semiconductor layer;
- an emitting diode over the planarization layer;
- a passivation layer over the emitting diode; and
- a hydrogen blocking layer between the planarization layer and the passivation layer to block hydrogen diffusion from the passivation layer to the oxide semiconductor layer.

2. The device according to claim 1, further comprising:

- a gate line, a data line, and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region; and

- a thin film transistor in the pixel region,

wherein the thin film transistor includes the oxide semiconductor layer of an oxide semiconductor material, and wherein the hydrogen blocking layer has an area that is larger than an area of the oxide semiconductor layer.

3. The device according to claim 2, wherein the oxide semiconductor layer includes one of indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), zinc-indium-oxide (ZIO), zinc-gallium-oxide (ZGO), and zinc-tin-oxide (ZTO), and

wherein the passivation layer is one of a silicon nitride (SiNx) layer, a silicon oxide nitride (SiON) layer, and a silicon oxide (SiOx) layer.

4. The device according to claim 1, wherein the hydrogen blocking layer includes one of indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

5. The device according to claim 1, further comprising: an additional passivation layer between the oxide semiconductor layer and the planarization layer, and a gate line, a data line, and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region,

wherein the emitting diode includes a first electrode on the additional passivation layer and in the pixel region, an emitting layer on the first electrode, and a second electrode on the emitting layer, and

wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is formed on the same layer as the first electrode.

6. The device according to claim 5, wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is formed of the same material as the first electrode.

7. The device according to claim 1, wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is disposed between the passivation layer and the emitting diode.

8. The device according to claim 1, further comprising: a gate line, a data line, and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region,

an additional passivation layer between the oxide semiconductor layer and the planarization layer,

wherein the emitting diode includes a first electrode on the additional passivation layer and in the pixel region, an emitting layer on the first electrode, and a second electrode on the emitting layer, and

wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is disposed on the second electrode.

9. A display panel comprising:

the organic light emitting diode display device according to claim 1; and

a display region, including the passivation layer of the display device,

wherein the hydrogen blocking layer of the display device is under the passivation layer and surrounds the display region.

10. The display panel according to claim 9, wherein a first surface of the hydrogen blocking layer contacts the passivation layer, and a second surface of the hydrogen blocking layer contacts the planarization layer, and

wherein the second surface is larger than the first surface.

11. A method of fabricating an organic light emitting diode display device, the method comprising:

forming a substrate;

forming an oxide semiconductor layer over the substrate;

forming a planarization layer over the oxide semiconductor layer;

forming an emitting diode over the planarization layer;

forming a passivation layer over the emitting diode; and

forming a hydrogen blocking layer between the planarization layer and the passivation layer to block hydrogen diffusion from the passivation layer to the oxide semiconductor layer.

12. The method according to claim 11, further comprising: forming a gate line, a data line, and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region; and

forming a thin film transistor in the pixel region,

wherein the thin film transistor includes the oxide semiconductor layer of an oxide semiconductor material, and wherein the hydrogen blocking layer has an area that is larger than an area of the oxide semiconductor layer.

13. The method according to claim 12, wherein the oxide semiconductor layer includes one of indium-gallium-zinc-oxide (IGZO), zinc-indium-oxide (ZIO), zinc-gallium-oxide (ZGO), and zinc-tin-oxide (ZTO), and

wherein the passivation layer is one of a silicon nitride (SiNx) layer, a silicon oxide nitride (SiON) layer, and a silicon oxide (SiOx) layer.

14. The method according to claim 11, wherein the hydrogen blocking layer includes one of indium-tin-oxide (ITO), indium-zinc-oxide (IZO), molybdenum (Mo), molybdenum-titanium alloy (MoTi), copper (Cu), silver (Ag), gold (Au), Ti, zirconium (Zr), thorium (Th), vanadium (V), palladium (Pd), nickel (Ni), and tin (Sn).

15. The method according to claim 11, further comprising: forming an additional passivation layer between the oxide semiconductor layer and the planarization layer,

forming a gate line, a data line, and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region,

wherein the emitting diode includes a first electrode on the additional passivation layer and in the pixel region, an emitting layer on the first electrode, and a second electrode on the emitting layer, and

wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is formed on the same layer as the first electrode.

16. The method according to claim 15, wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is formed of the same material as the first electrode.

17. The method according to claim 11, wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is disposed between the passivation layer and the emitting diode.

18. The method according to claim 11, further comprising: forming a gate line, a data line, and a power line on the substrate, the gate and data lines crossing each other to define a pixel region; and

forming an additional passivation layer between the oxide semiconductor layer and the planarization layer,

wherein the emitting diode includes a first electrode on the additional passivation layer and in the pixel region, an emitting layer on the first electrode, and a second electrode on the emitting layer, and

wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is disposed on the second electrode.

19. The method according to claim 11, further comprising: providing a display panel including a display region, wherein the display region comprises the passivation layer, and

wherein the hydrogen blocking layer is under the passivation layer and surrounds the display region.

20. The method according to claim 19, wherein a first surface of the hydrogen blocking layer contacts the passivation layer, and a second surface of the hydrogen blocking layer contacts the planarization layer, and

wherein the second surface is larger than the first surface.

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