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(54) **SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGE HAVING INK-JET TYPE DAM AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A semiconductor package includes a substrate which includes a chip mounting unit disposed on a first surface thereof and a pad forming unit disposed on an outer region of the chip mounting unit. The semiconductor package further includes a plurality of pads disposed on the pad forming unit of the substrate, a semiconductor chip disposed on the chip mounting unit of the substrate, a dam disposed on the first surface of the substrate between the semiconductor chip and the pad forming unit, and wherein the dam separates at least a portion of the pads from the semiconductor chip. In addition, the semiconductor package further includes an underfill material disposed between an active surface of the semiconductor chip and the first surface of the substrate and wherein an upper surface of the dam is rounded due to surface tension.

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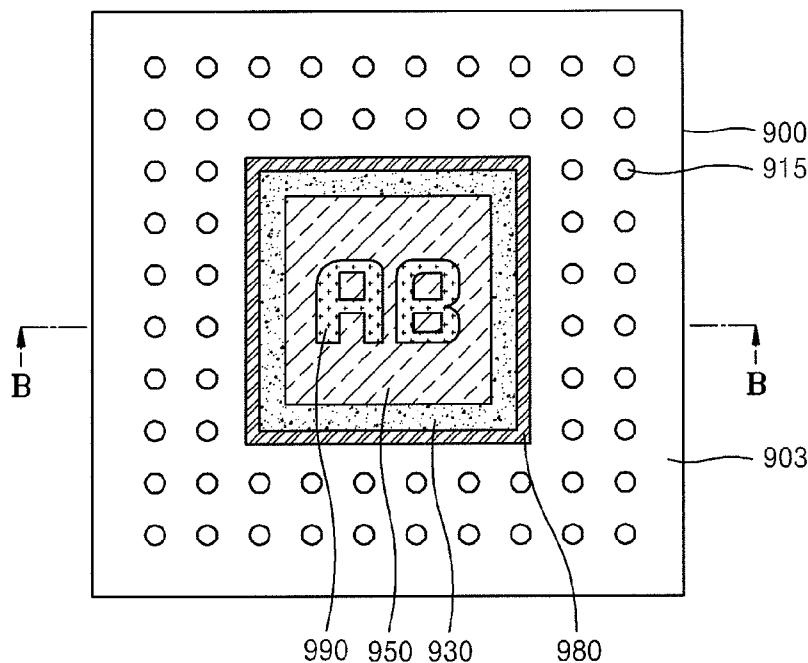


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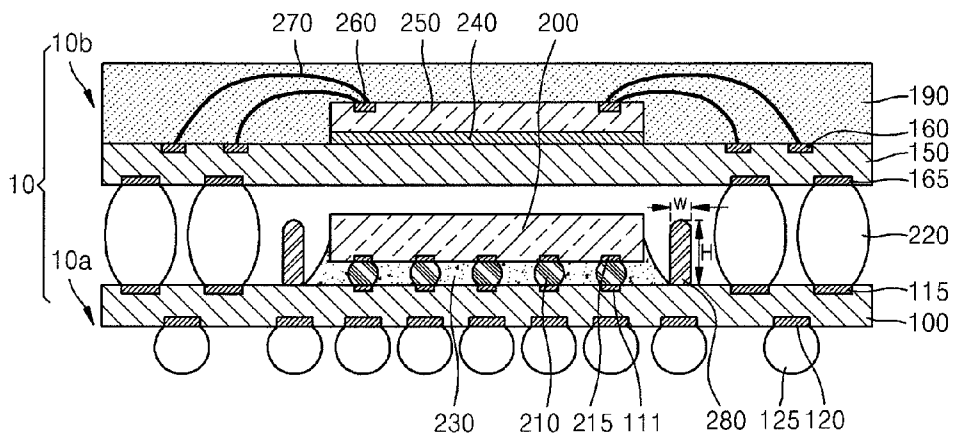


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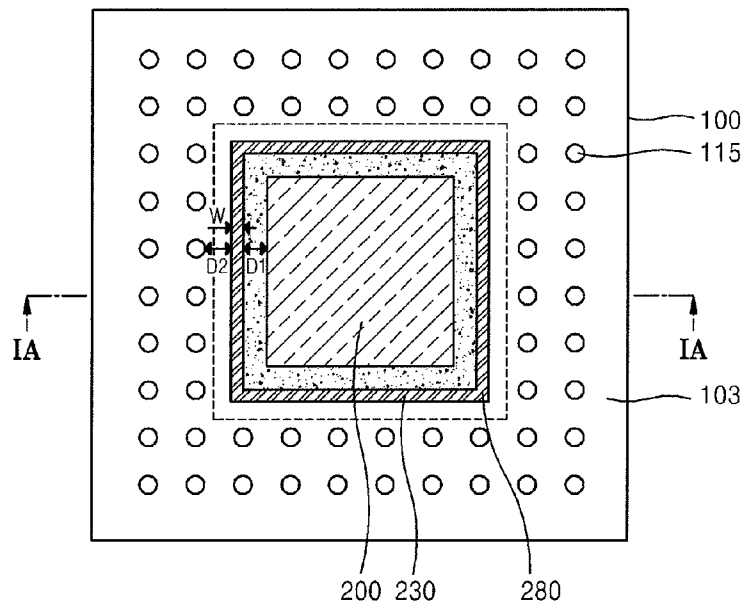


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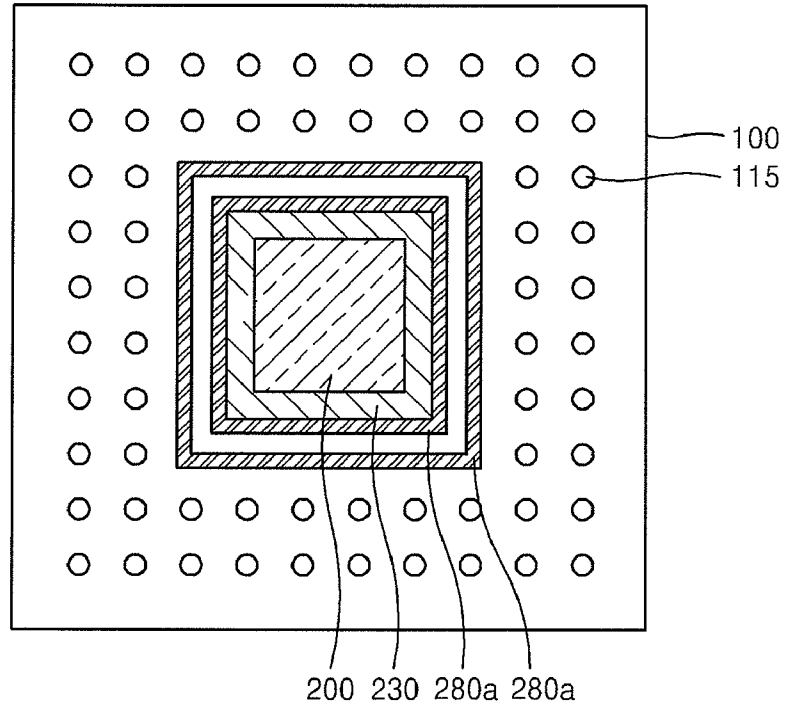


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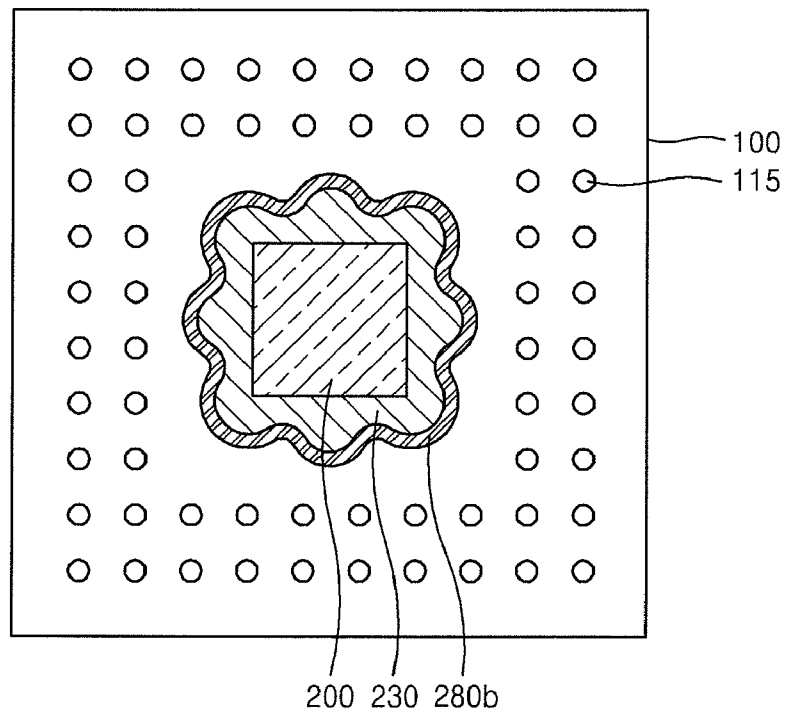


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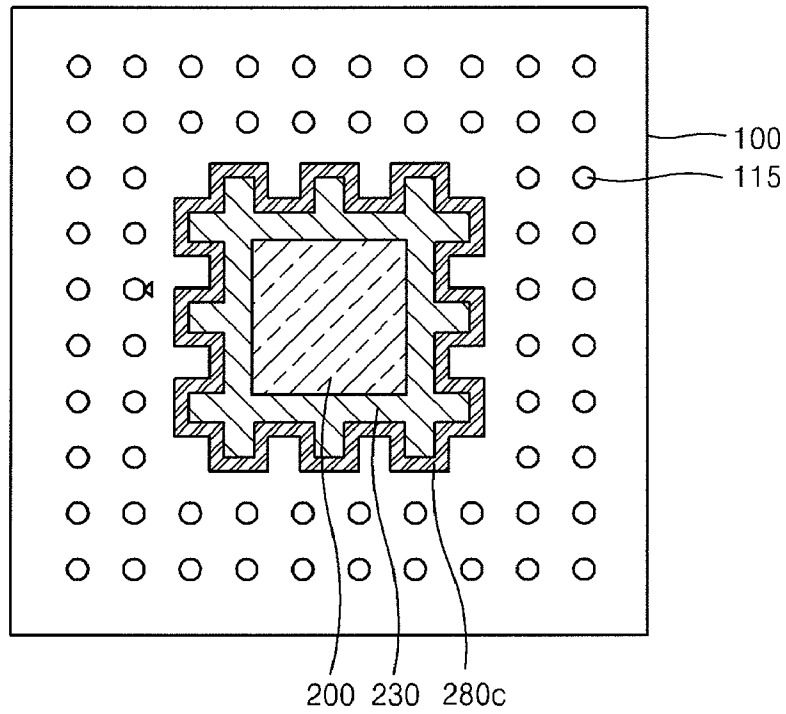


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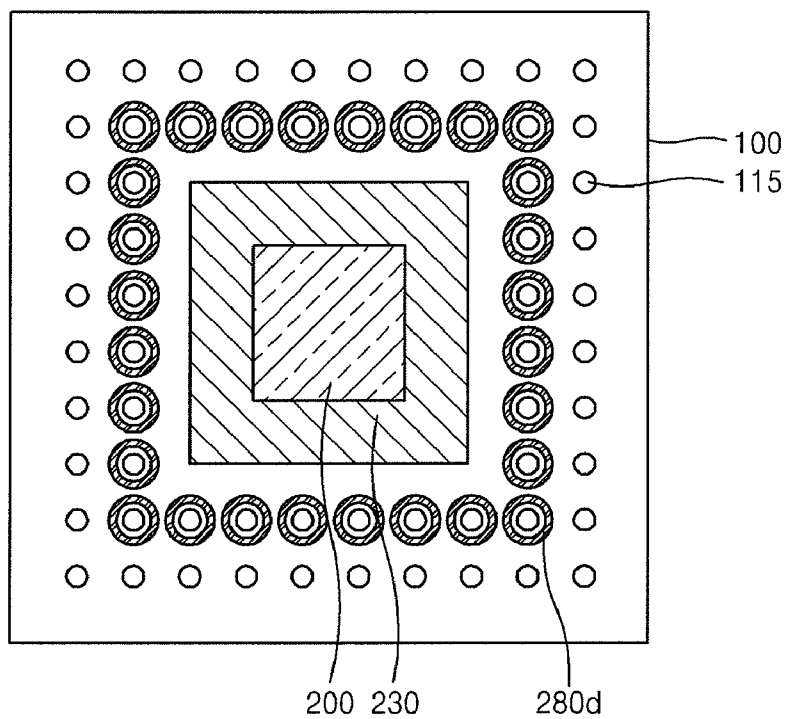


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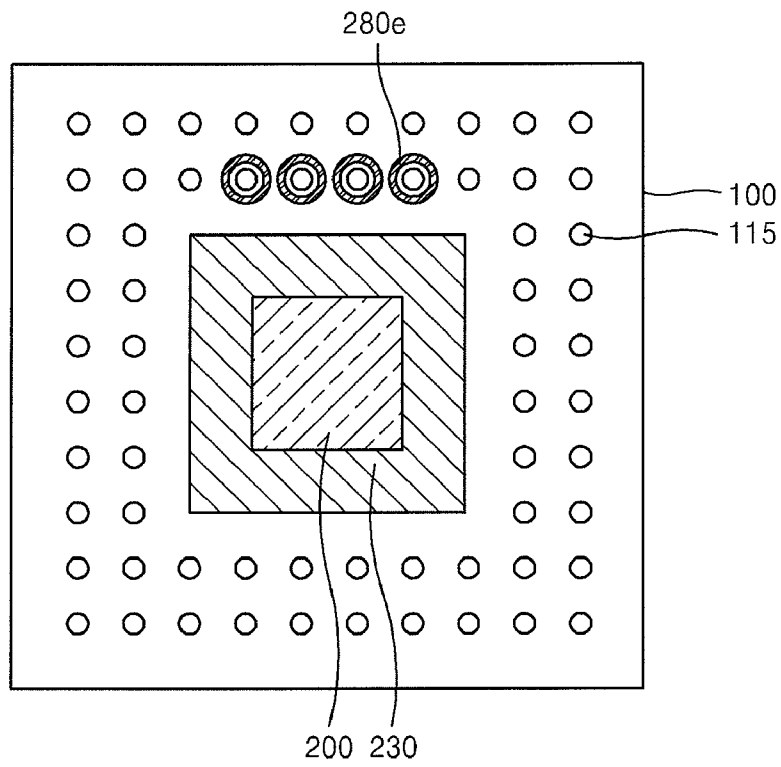


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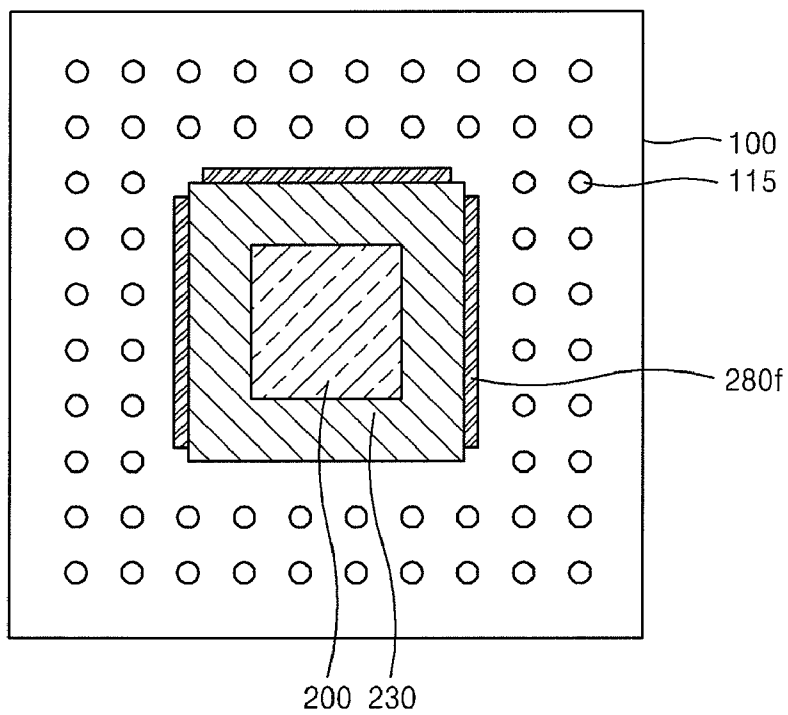


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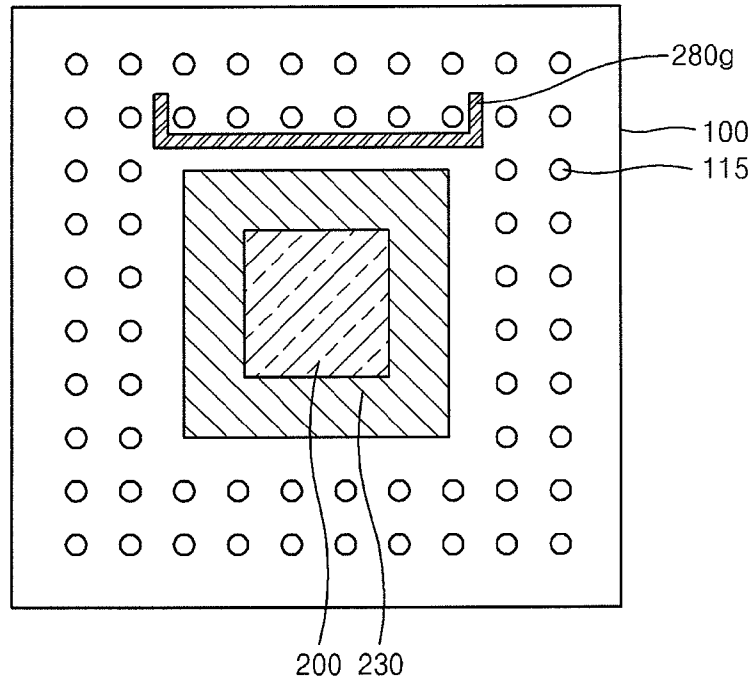


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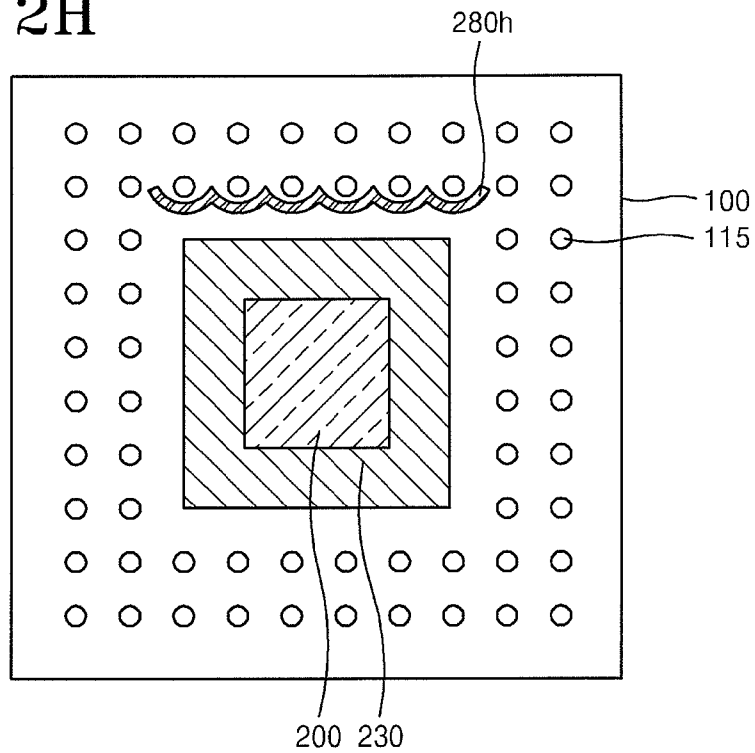


FIG. 3

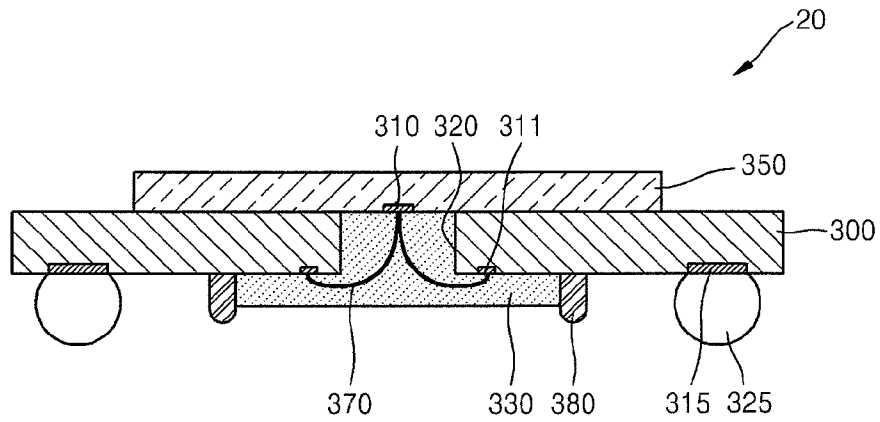


FIG. 4

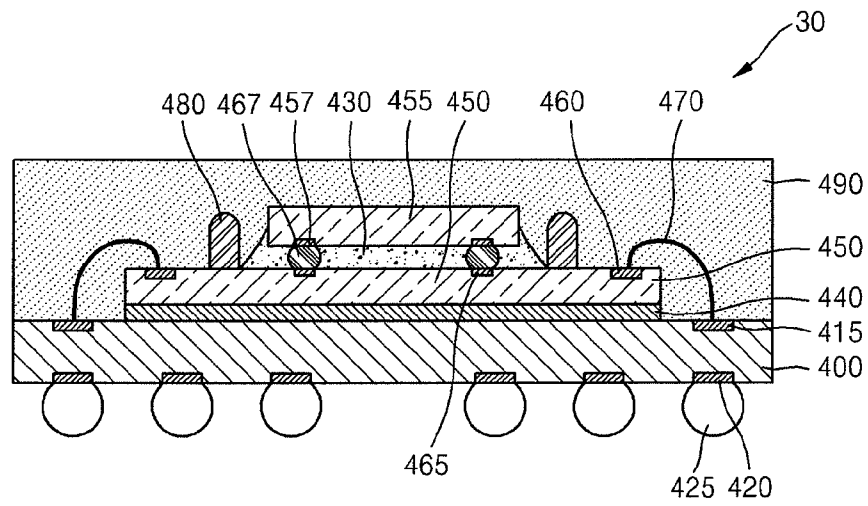


FIG. 5A

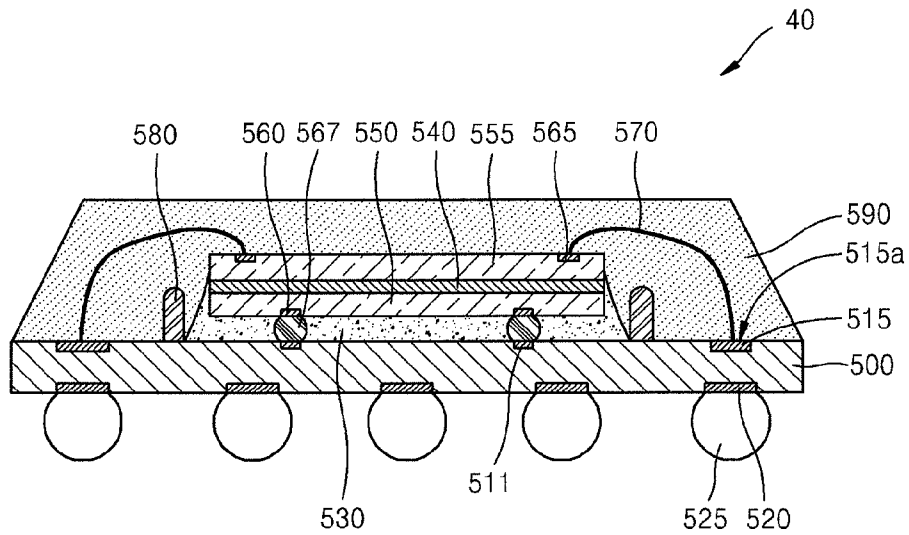


FIG. 5B

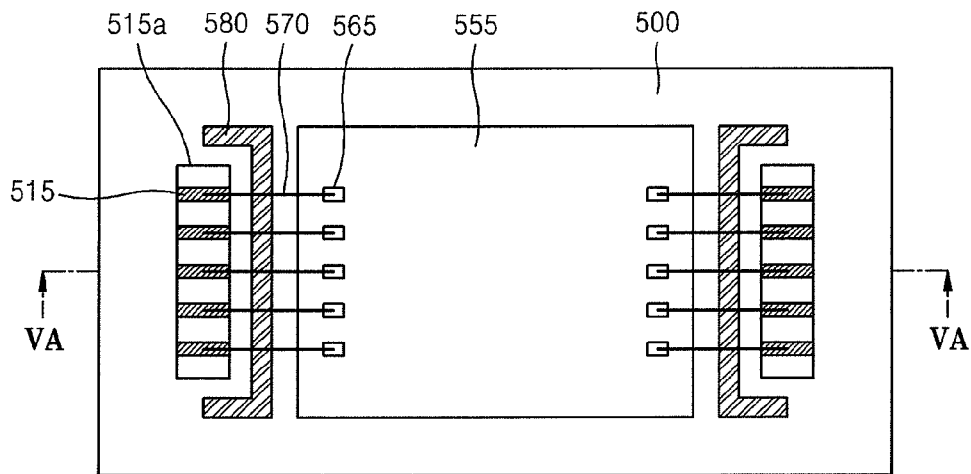




FIG. 6A

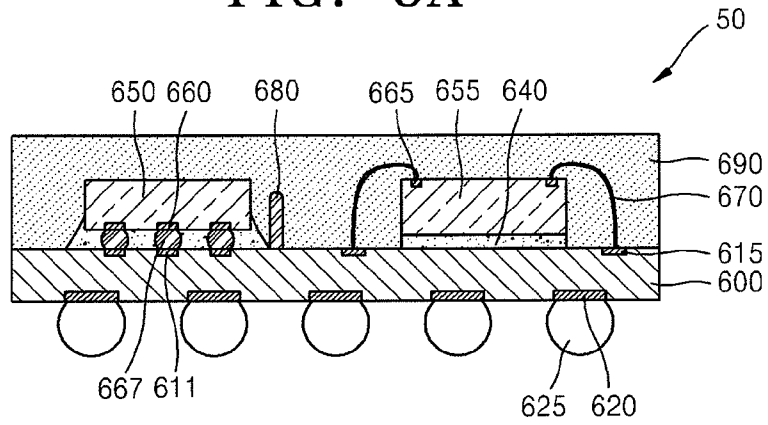


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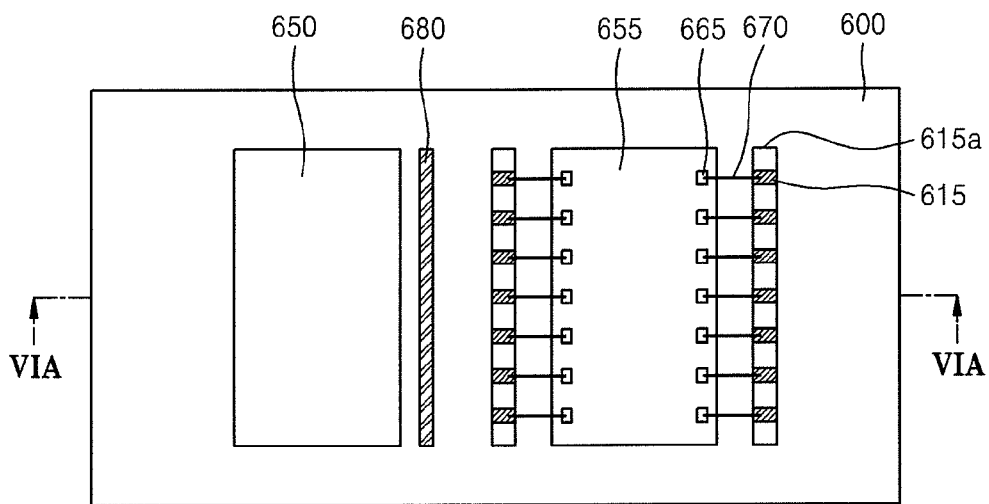


FIG. 7A

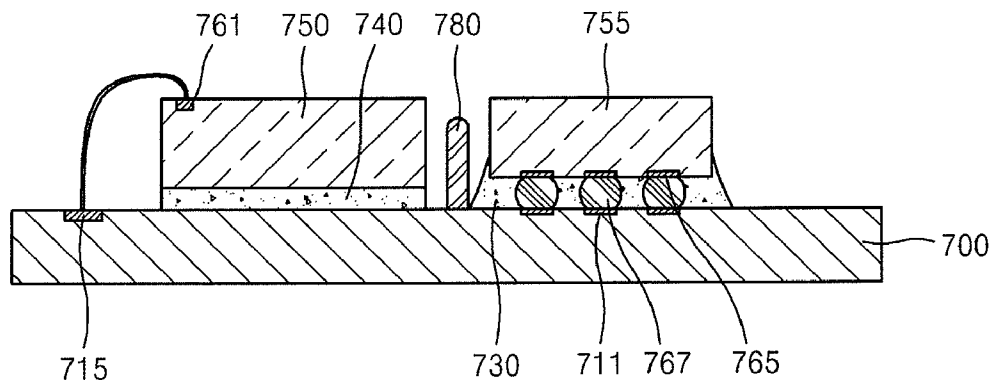


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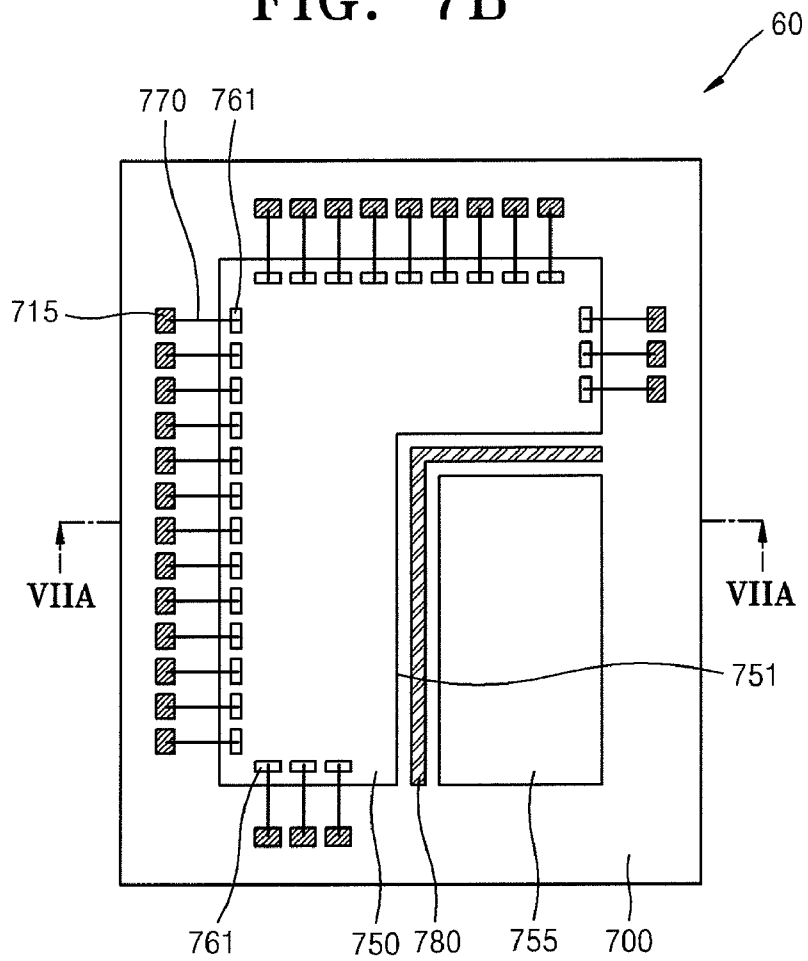


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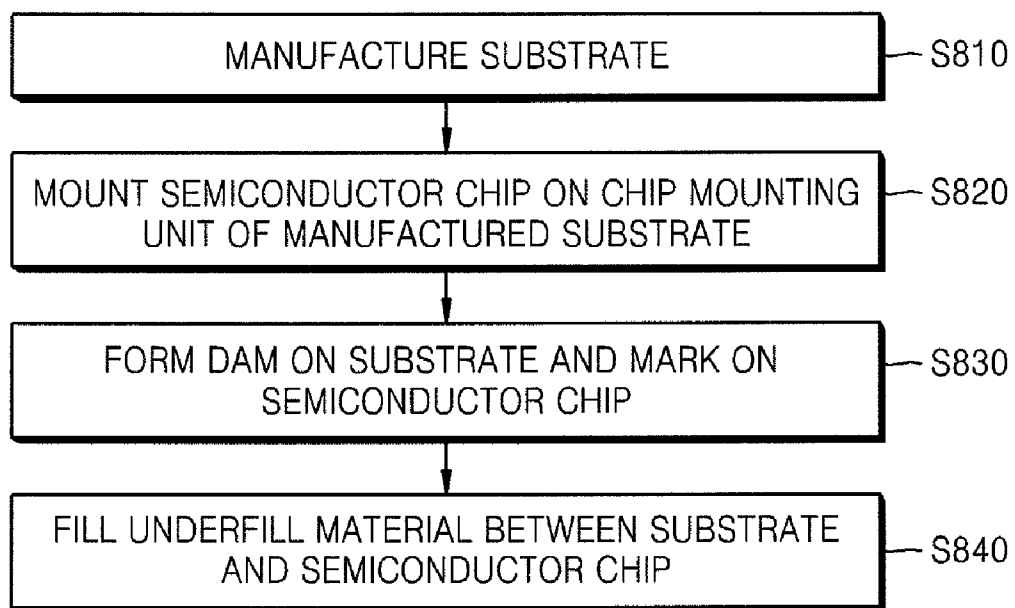


FIG. 9A

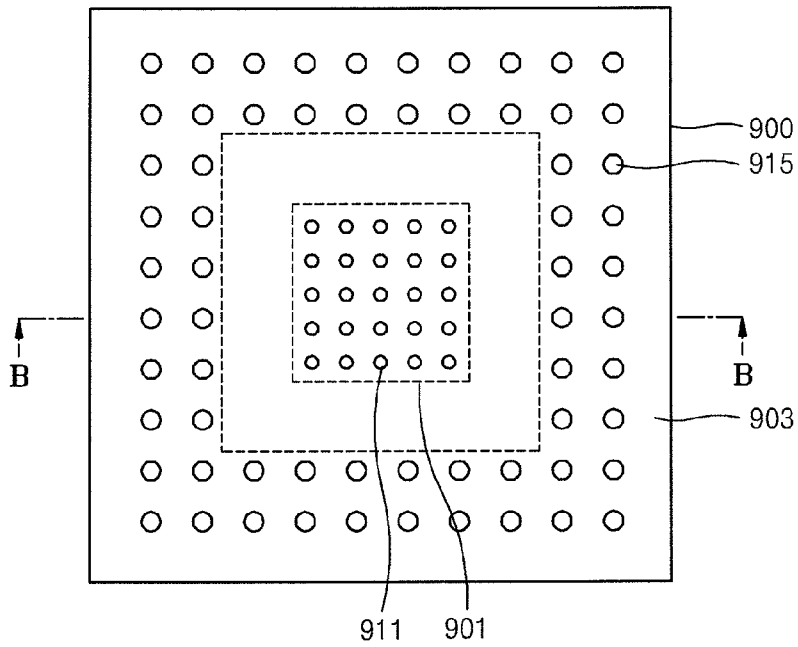


FIG. 9B

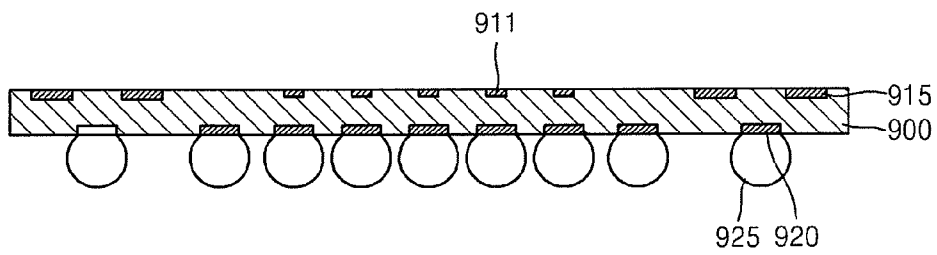


FIG. 10A

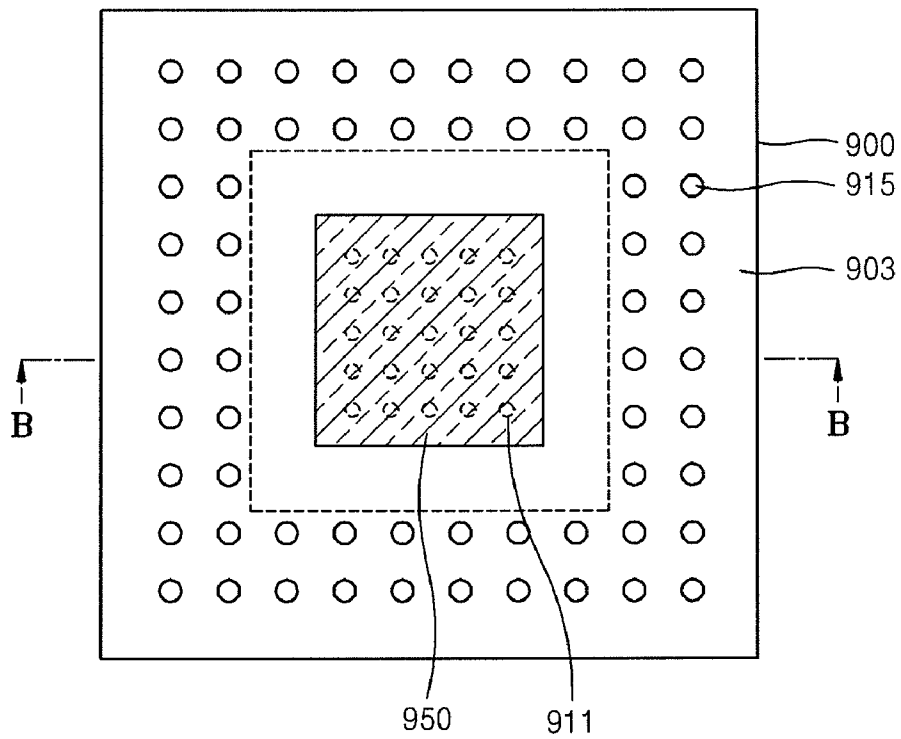


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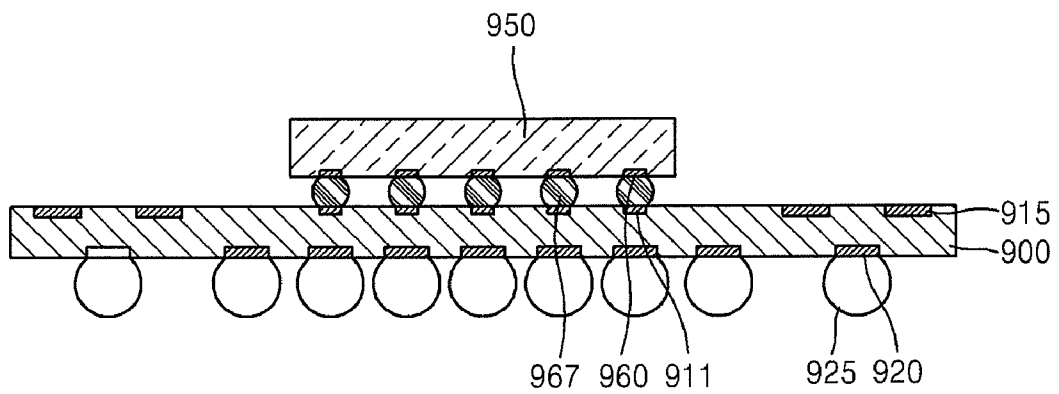


FIG. 11A

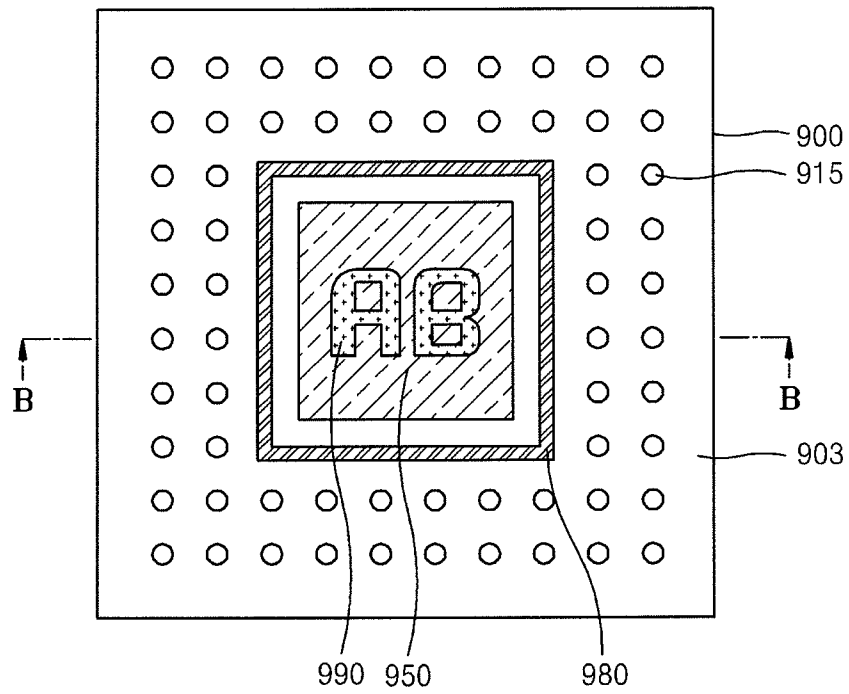


FIG. 11B

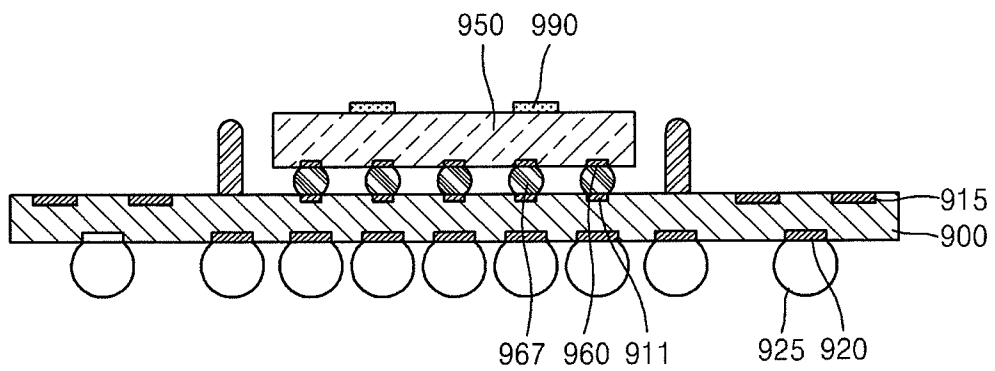


FIG. 12A

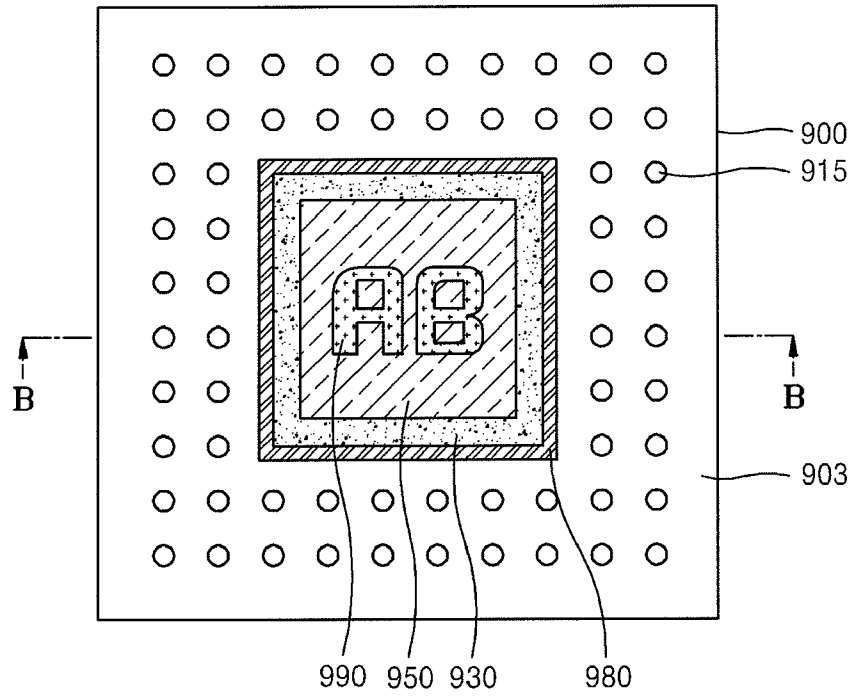
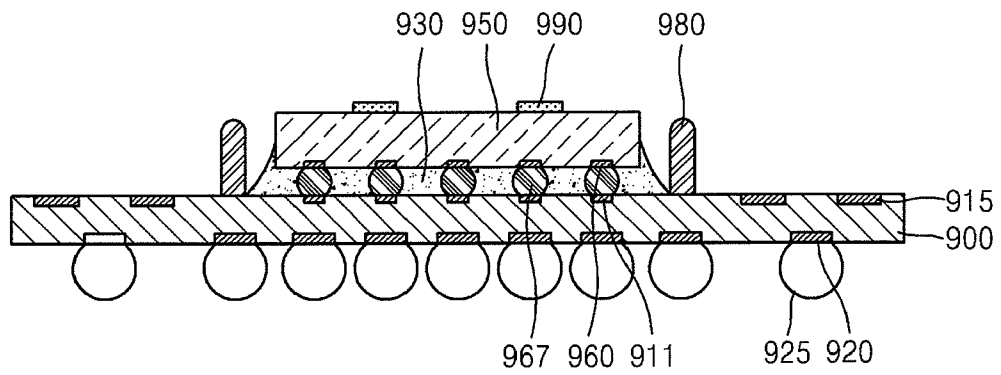


FIG. 12B



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## SEMICONDUCTOR PACKAGE HAVING INK-JET TYPE DAM AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

### CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application claims the benefit of Korean Patent Application No. 10-2008-0095519, filed on Sep. 29, 2008, the disclosure of which is hereby incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

### BACKGROUND

#### (i) Technical Field

The present disclosure relates to a semiconductor package and to a method of manufacturing the same, and more particularly, to a semiconductor package having a dam formed using an inkjet process to prevent an underfill material from bleeding and to a method of manufacturing the semiconductor package.

#### (ii) Description of the Related Art

As electronic devices become larger in capacity, more lightweight, and thinner, semiconductor packages are also required to be of higher density, miniaturized, and thinner. In flip chip packages that meet the above-mentioned requirements, a flip chip is typically mounted on a substrate and an underfill material is injected between the flip chip and the substrate to protect an active surface of the flip chip and bumps. However, a bleeding of the underfill material may be caused in a dispensing process for injecting the underfill material. The underfill material may in turn contaminate bonding pads for wire bonding on the substrate or ball pads of a top package in a package on package (POP), and thus, an assembling failure may be caused. Therefore, the bleeding of the underfill material may be an obstacle in reducing the size of a package.

A dam may be formed on a substrate to prevent an underfill material from bleeding. In the conventional art, the dam is formed on the substrate by printing a solder resist in the course of manufacturing the substrate, and afterwards, a semiconductor chip is mounted on the substrate having the dam and an underfill material is deposited between the semiconductor chip and the substrate. However, as the dam is formed in the course of manufacturing the substrate, the height of the dam for effectively control the bleeding of the underfill material may not be increased or various pattern shapes of dams may not be formed, and an additional method of forming the dam must also be performed. Also, there may be a limit in the coining height during coining of solder on pads (SOPs) due to the dam.

### SUMMARY

Exemplary embodiments of the present invention may provide a semiconductor package having an inkjet type dam.

In accordance with an exemplary embodiment of the present invention, a semiconductor package is provided. The semiconductor package includes a substrate which includes a chip mounting unit disposed on a first surface thereof and a pad forming unit disposed on an outer region of the chip mounting unit. The semiconductor package further includes a plurality of pads disposed on the pad forming unit of the substrate, a semiconductor chip disposed on the chip mounting unit of the substrate, a dam disposed on the first surface of the substrate between the semiconductor chip and the pad forming unit, and wherein the dam separates at least a portion

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of the pads from the semiconductor chip. In addition, the semiconductor package further includes an underfill material disposed between an active surface of the semiconductor chip and the first surface of the substrate and wherein an upper surface of the dam is rounded due to surface tension.

The dam may be arranged to surround the semiconductor chip as multi-walls. The dam may be arranged to surround the semiconductor chip and have a wounded shape. The dam may comprise at least one bar pattern arranged corresponding to a side of the semiconductor chip or a corrugate shape pattern arranged corresponding to at least a portion of the pads. The dam may comprise ring shape patterns that surround at least portions of the pads, respectively.

The dam may have a width of 50 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  and a height of greater than 15  $\mu\text{m}$ . The distance between the semiconductor chip and the dam may be 20 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ , the distance between the dam and the pads may be 10 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ , and the distance between the semiconductor chip and the pads may be maintained at a minimum of 80  $\mu\text{m}$ .

The dam may include an inkjet type pattern. Letters may be marked on a top surface of the semiconductor chip. The dam may be formed of the same material as the letters.

In accordance with an exemplary embodiment of the present invention, a method for manufacturing a semiconductor package is provided. The method includes forming a substrate which includes a chip mounting unit on a first surface thereof and a pad forming unit disposed on an outer region of the chip mounting unit and a plurality of pads disposed on the pad forming unit of the substrate, mounting a semiconductor chip on the chip mounting unit of the substrate, forming a dam having a rounded upper surface on the first surface of the substrate between the semiconductor chip and the pad forming unit of the substrate and marking letters on the semiconductor chip. The method further includes depositing an underfill material between an active surface of the semiconductor chip and the first surface of the substrate, wherein the dam prevents the underfill material from bleeding towards the pads.

In accordance with another exemplary embodiment of the present invention, a semiconductor package is provided. The semiconductor package includes a first package which includes a first substrate and a first semiconductor chip mounted on the first substrate. The first substrate includes a plurality of first landing pads and a plurality of second landing pads which are disposed on a first surface of the first substrate, and a plurality of third landing pads disposed on a second surface opposite to the first surface of the first substrate. An active surface of the first semiconductor chip is bonded to the first substrate and faces the first surface of the first substrate so that a plurality of first solder balls electrically connect the first landing pads of the first substrate and first chip pads disposed in the active surface of the first semiconductor chip. In addition, the semiconductor package further includes a second package which includes a second substrate and a second semiconductor chip. The second substrate includes a plurality of bonding pads disposed in a first surface thereof and a plurality of fourth landing pads disposed in a second surface opposite to the first surface of the second substrate. The second semiconductor chip is mounted onto the second substrate by an adhesive and second chip pads of the second semiconductor chip are electrically connected, respectively to the bonding pads of the second substrate through wires. A plurality of second solder balls disposed respectively on the plurality of the fourth landing pads are electrically connected to the plurality of the second landing pads of the first substrate, respectively such that the first package and the second package are electrically connected to each other. Moreover,



the semiconductor package further includes a sealing unit formed on the second package which seals the second semiconductor chip, the wires, the bonding pads and the second chip pads, an underfill material disposed between the first surface of the first substrate and the active surface of the first semiconductor chip and a dam for preventing the bleeding of the underfill material disposed between the underfill material and a pad forming unit disposed in the first surface of the first substrate, wherein the dam surrounds the first semiconductor chip, wherein an upper surface of the dam is rounded and wherein the dam has a width of 50 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  and a height of greater than 15  $\mu\text{m}$ .

### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Exemplary embodiments of the present invention can be understood in more detail from the following description, taken in conjunction with the accompanying drawings in which:

FIG. 1A is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 1B is a plan view of a first package of the semiconductor package of FIG. 1A, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIGS. 2A through 2H are plan views of structures of a dam of the semiconductor package of FIGS. 1A and 1B, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 5A is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 5B is a plan view of the semiconductor package of FIG. 5A, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 6A is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 6B is a plan view of the semiconductor package of FIG. 6A, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 7A is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 7B is a plan view of the semiconductor package of FIG. 7A, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIG. 8 is a flowchart of a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention;

FIGS. 9A through 12A are plan views for illustrating the method of manufacturing the semiconductor package of FIG. 8, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention; and

FIGS. 9B through 12B are cross-sectional views for illustrating a method of manufacturing the semiconductor package of FIG. 8, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention.

### DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE EXEMPLARY EMBODIMENTS

Exemplary embodiments of present invention will now be described more fully with reference to the accompanying

drawings, in which exemplary embodiments of the invention are shown. The invention may, however, be embodied in many different forms and should not be construed as being limited to the exemplary embodiments set forth herein. In the drawings, the thicknesses of layers and regions are exaggerated for clarity. Like reference numerals in the drawings denote like elements.

FIG. 1A is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package **10** according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention. FIG. 1B is a plan view of a first package **10a** of the semiconductor package **10** of FIG. 1A, and FIG. 1A is a cross-sectional view taken along line IA-IA of FIG. 1B. Referring to FIGS. 1A and 1B, the semiconductor package **10** may include a first package **10a** and a second package **10b**. The first package **10a** may include a first substrate **100** and a first semiconductor chip **200** mounted on the first substrate **100**. The first substrate **100** may include a plurality of first landing pads **111** and second landing pads **115**, which are arranged on a first surface of the first substrate **100**, and a plurality of third landing pads **120** arranged on a second surface opposite to the first surface of the first substrate **100**.

An active surface of the first semiconductor chip **200** may be flip chip bonded onto the first substrate **100** so that solder balls **210** electrically connect the first landing pads **111** of the first substrate **100** and first chip pads **215** arranged in the active surface of the first semiconductor chip **200**. Solder balls **125** for connecting the semiconductor package **10** to external devices may be arranged on the third landing pads **120**, respectively.

The second package **10b** may include a second substrate **150** and a second semiconductor chip **250**. The second substrate **150** may include bonding pads **160** arranged in a first surface thereof and fourth landing pads **165** arranged in a second surface opposite to the first surface of the second substrate **150**. The second semiconductor chip **250** may be mounted onto the second substrate **150** using an adhesive **240**, and second chip pads **260** of the second semiconductor chip **250** may be electrically connected, respectively, to the bonding pads **160** of the second substrate **150** through wires **270**. Solder balls **220** arranged respectively on the fourth landing pads **165** may be electrically connected to the second landing pads **115** of the first substrate **100**, respectively so that the first package **10a** and the second package **10b** are electrically connected to each other. The second semiconductor chip **250**, the wires **270**, the bonding pads **160**, and the second chip pads **260** may be sealed with a sealing unit **190**.

An underfill material **230** may be filled between the first surface of the first substrate **100** and the active surface of the first semiconductor chip **200** to protect the solder balls **210**. A dam **280** for preventing the bleeding of the underfill material **230** may be formed between the underfill material **230** and a pad forming unit **103**. The dam **280** may be arranged to surround the first semiconductor chip **200**.

The dam **280** may be formed using, for example, an inkjet process, and thus, an upper part of the dam **280** may be rounded. For example, the dam **280** may include an ink composite that contains a (meta) acryl group monomer, a (meta) acryl group oligomer, a photo-initiator, a dye, and an additive.

The (meta) acryl group monomer may be, for example, at least one selected from the group consisting of a mono functional (meta) acryl group monomer and a multi functional (meta) acryl group monomer.

The mono functional (meta) acryl group monomer may reduce the viscosity of the ink composite or may increase the hardness of a film formed of the ink composite. The multi functional (meta) acryl group monomer may increase the

viscosity of the ink composite or may improve the physical properties of a film formed of the ink composite, such as, for example, the hardness of a film formed of the ink composite.

The mono functional (meta) acryl group monomer may be, for example, lauryl acrylate and metacrylate vinyl ether, and the multi functional (meta) acryl group monomer may be, for example, cyclohexane dimethanol diacrylate, tris(2-hydroxyethyl)isocyanate triacrylate, and ethoxylated trimethylolpropane triacrylate.

The photo-initiator may initiate an ultraviolet (UV) hardening reaction of components that constitute the ink composite, and may be, for example, an aromatic ketone amine group compound, for example, trimethyl benzophenone, amine functional acrylate, 2-methyl-1[4-(methylthio)]phenyl-2-monopolynopropene-1-on, and isopropylthioxanton.

The (meta) acryl group oligomer may be included in the ink composite to control viscosity.

The dye may added to the ink composite to realize color, and may be, for example, a titanium oxide. The titanium oxide can be obtained commercially as Rutile.

The additive may be a material that functions to stabilize the ink composite and repress the hardening of the ink composite, and may be, for example, a surfactant. Examples of the additive may include but are not limited to monomethyl ethyl hydroquinone (MEHQ) and tert-butyl hydroquinone (TBHQ).

In the ink composite according to the current exemplary embodiment, the content of each of the components may be a conventional level.

The dam **280** may have a width  $W$  of 50 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  and a height  $H$  of 15 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ , taking into consideration the adhesiveness with the first substrate **100**. The distance  $D1$  between the dam **280** and the first semiconductor chip **200** should be maintained greater than 20  $\mu\text{m}$ . At this point, the distance  $D1$  should be maintained at 20 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$  as a scattering distance of the ink and a mounting margin of the first semiconductor chip **200** should be considered in forming the dam **280**. Also, the distance  $D2$  between the dam **280** and the second landing pads **115** may be maintained below 50  $\mu\text{m}$ . At this point, as the scattering distance of the ink should be considered in forming the dam **280**, the distance  $D2$  may be determined according to the material used to form the dam **280**, and may be maintained at 10 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ .

In the case of forming the dam **280** using a conventional solder resist, the width of a dam is 130 to 200  $\mu\text{m}$ , the distance between the dam and a semiconductor chip is maintained at 100 to 200  $\mu\text{m}$ , and the distance between the dam and landing pads is maintained at 50 to 150  $\mu\text{m}$ . Therefore, the minimum distance between the semiconductor chip and the landing pads should be maintained at least at 280  $\mu\text{m}$ . However, in the current exemplary embodiment, as the dam **280** is formed using an inkjet process, the distance between the first semiconductor chip **200** and the second landing pads **115** can be maintained at a minimum distance, that is, 80  $\mu\text{m}$ . Thus, the size of the first semiconductor chip **200** can be reduced. As the distance between the first semiconductor chip **200** and the second landing pads **115** is reduced, the area of the pad forming unit **103** may be increased, and thus, the number of second landing pads **115** can be increased. Also, in the conventional art, the height of a dam is lower than 15  $\mu\text{m}$ . However, in the current exemplary embodiment, the height of the dam can be maintained at 15 to 20  $\mu\text{m}$ . Accordingly, this is beneficial for blocking the bleeding of the underfill material **230**.

As depicted in FIGS. 2A through 2H, the dam **280** may have various pattern shapes. The dam **280** may include multiple dam patterns **280a** in FIG. 2A or may include wound

dam patterns **280b** and **280c** that surround the first semiconductor chip **200** in FIGS. 2B and 2C. Furthermore, the dam **280** may include, for example, ring shape dam patterns **280d** that surround the second landing pads **115** arranged adjacent to the first semiconductor chip **200**.

Also, the dam **280** may include at least one dam pattern arranged on at least a side of the first semiconductor chip **200**, and not arranged to completely surround the first semiconductor chip **200**. The dam **280** may include, for example, ring shape dam patterns **280e** surrounding portions of the second landing pads **115** that are arranged corresponding to an upper side of the first semiconductor chip **200** in FIG. 2G or may include, for example, bar shape dam patterns **280f** that are arranged corresponding to three sides of the first semiconductor chip **200** in FIG. 2F.

Also, the dam **280** may include dam patterns **280g** and **280h** that are arranged to protect portions of the second landing pads **115** that surround the first semiconductor chip **200**, by grouping the portions of the second landing pads **115**. At this point, the dam patterns **280g** and **280h** may be arranged on a portion of the outer portion of the first semiconductor chip **200** that can be readily damaged by the underfill material **230**, for example, the portion where the underfill material **230** is injected or where the underfill material **230** may be readily bled.

FIG. 3 is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package **20** according to another exemplary embodiment of the present invention. Referring to FIG. 3, the semiconductor package **20** may include a packaging substrate **300** and a semiconductor chip **350** mounted on a chip mounting unit in a second surface of the packaging substrate **300**. Chip pads **310**, arranged in an active surface of the semiconductor chip **350**, may be exposed through a window **320** and may be connected to bonding pads **311** arranged in a first surface of the packaging substrate **300** with wires **370**. Landing pads **315**, arranged in the first surface of the packaging substrate **300**, may be electrically connected to solder balls **325**, respectively, for external connection.

A dam **380** may be arranged on the first surface of the packaging substrate **300** between the landing pads **315** and the bonding pads **311**. The dam **380** may be formed using, for example, an inkjet process, and may each have a predetermined height  $H$  and a predetermined width  $W$ . The dam **380** may be arranged apart from the bonding pads **311** with the first distance  $D1$  as shown in FIG. 1B, and are arranged apart from the landing pads **315** with the second distance  $D2$  as shown in FIG. 1B. The dam **380** may include the dam patterns as described with reference to FIGS. 2A through 2C. An underfill material **330** may be deposited on the active surface of the semiconductor chip **350** exposed by the window **320**, and on a portion of the first surface of the packaging substrate **300** within the dam **380**.

FIG. 4 is a cross-sectional view of a semiconductor package **30** according to another exemplary embodiment of the present invention. Referring to FIG. 4, the semiconductor package **30** may include a substrate **400** and first and second semiconductor chips **450** and **455** stacked on a first surface of the substrate **400**. The first semiconductor chip **450** may be mounted on the first surface of the substrate **400** using an adhesive **440**. Chip pads **460** arranged in an active surface of the first semiconductor chip **450** may be electrically connected to bonding pads **415** arranged in the first surface of the substrate **400** with wires **470**. Solder balls **425** may be arranged respectively on landing pads **420** arranged on a second surface of the substrate **400**.

The active surface of the first semiconductor chip **450** and an active surface of the second semiconductor chip **455** may

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be arranged to face each other so that first landing pads **465** of the first semiconductor chip **450** may be electrically connected to second landing pads **457** of the second semiconductor chip **455** through solder balls **467**. An underfill material **430** may be deposited between the first semiconductor chip **450** and the second semiconductor chip **455** to protect the solder balls **467**.

A dam **480** may be arranged on the active surface of the first semiconductor chip **450** between the second semiconductor chip **455** and the chip pads **460**. The dam **480** may be formed using, for example, an inkjet process, and may each have a predetermined height H and a predetermined width W. The dam **480** may be arranged apart from the second semiconductor chip **455** with the first distance D1 as shown in FIG. 1B and may be arranged apart from the chip pads **460** with the second distance D2 as shown in FIG. 1B. The dam **480** may include dam patterns as described with reference to FIGS. 2A through 2C. A sealing resin **490** may be arranged on the substrate **400** to protect the first semiconductor chip **450**, the second semiconductor chip **455**, the wires **470**, and the bonding pads **415**, the chip pads **460** and the dam **480**.

FIGS. 5A and 5B are respectively a cross-sectional view and a plan view of a semiconductor package **40** according to another exemplary embodiment of the present invention. FIG. 5A is a cross-sectional view taken along line VA-VA of FIG. 5B. Referring to FIGS. 5A and 5B, a first semiconductor chip **550** and a second semiconductor chip **555** may be sequentially stacked on a chip mounting unit of a substrate **500**. The surfaces opposite to active surfaces of the first semiconductor chip **550** and the second semiconductor chip **555** may be bonded to each other using an adhesive **540**.

First landing pads **560** arranged in the active surface of the first semiconductor chip **550** may be electrically connected to landing pads **511** arranged in a first surface of the substrate **500** through solder balls **567**. Bonding pads **565** arranged in the active surface of the second semiconductor chip **555** may be electrically connected to bonding pads **515** arranged in the first surface of the substrate **500** through wires **570**. Solder balls **525** may be arranged respectively on landing pads **520** arranged in a second surface of the substrate **500**.

An underfill material **530** may be deposited between the first semiconductor chip **550** and the first surface of the substrate **500**. The bonding pads **515** may be exposed through windows **515a**, and a dam **580** may be partly formed between the first semiconductor chip **550** and the windows **515a**. The dam **580** may be arranged to partially surround a portion of the windows **515a**. The dam **580** may be formed using, for example, an inkjet process, and may each have a predetermined height H and a predetermined width W. The dam **580** may be arranged apart from the first semiconductor chip **550** with the first distance D1 as shown in FIG. 1B, and are arranged apart from the windows **515a** with the second distance D2 as shown in FIG. 1B. The dams **580** may include dam patterns as shown in FIGS. 2A through 2C and FIGS. 2F through 2H.

FIGS. 6A and 6B are respectively a cross-sectional view and a plan view of a semiconductor package **50** according to another exemplary embodiment of the present invention. FIG. 6A is a cross-sectional view taken along line VIA-VIA of FIG. 6B. Referring to FIGS. 6A and 6B, the semiconductor package **50** may include a first semiconductor chip **650** and a second semiconductor chip **655**, which are arranged on chip mounting units of a first surface of a substrate **600**. The semiconductor package **50** of FIGS. 6A and 6B is similar to the semiconductor package **40** of FIGS. 5A and 5B, except that the first and second semiconductor chips **650** and **655** are arranged on the same surface.

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FIGS. 7A and 7B are respectively a cross-sectional view and a plan view of a semiconductor package **60** according to another exemplary embodiment of the present invention. FIG. 7A is a cross-sectional view taken along line VII-VII of FIG. 7B. Referring to FIGS. 7A and 7B, the semiconductor package **60** may include a substrate **700** and a first semiconductor chip **750** and a second semiconductor chip **755**, which are arranged on chip mounting units of a first surface of a substrate **700**. The first semiconductor chip **750** may include an indent chip and the second semiconductor chip **755** may include a normal chip.

First chip pads **761** of the first semiconductor chip **750** may be electrically connected to bonding pads **715** of the substrate **700** through wires **770**, and second chip pads **765** of the second semiconductor chip **755** may be electrically connected to landing pads **711** of the substrate **700** through solder balls **767**. An underfill material **730** may be filled between the second semiconductor chip **755** and the first surface of the substrate **700**, and a dam **780** may be partly arranged between an indent portion **751** of the first semiconductor chip **750** and the second semiconductor chip **755**. On the other hand, the dam **780** may be arranged to surround the second semiconductor chip **755**.

FIG. 8 is a flowchart of a method of manufacturing a semiconductor package, according to an exemplary embodiment of the present invention. FIGS. 9A through 12A are plan views for illustrating the method of manufacturing the semiconductor package of FIG. 8, and FIGS. 9B through 12B are cross-sectional views taken along line B-B of FIGS. 9A through 12B, for illustrating the method of manufacturing the semiconductor package of FIG. 8. The methods described in FIGS. 8, 9A through 12A, and 9B through 12B are limited to the method of manufacturing the first package **10a** of FIG. 1A.

Referring to FIGS. 8, 9A, and 9B, a substrate **900** may be fabricated (S810). The substrate **900** may include, for example, a printed circuit board (PCB) or a tape wire substrate. The substrate **900** may include a chip mounting unit **901** on which a semiconductor chip (**950** in FIGS. 10A and 10B) is arranged and a pad forming unit **903** arranged on an outer region of the chip mounting unit **901**. The substrate **900** may include pads **911** for electrically connecting to the semiconductor chip **950**. A plurality of pads **915** may be formed in the pad forming unit **903** of the substrate **900**. The pads **915** may include, for example, bonding pads for bonding with wires or landing pads for attaching to solder balls.

Referring to FIGS. 8, 10A, and 10B, the semiconductor chip **950** may be mounted on the chip mounting unit **901** of the substrate **900** (S820). The semiconductor chip **950** may be flip chip bonded onto the substrate **900**. The chip pads **960** and the pads **911** may be electrically connected through the solder balls **967** which are attached in advance to the chip pads **960** of the semiconductor chips **950**.

Referring to FIGS. 8, 11A, and 11B, a dam **980** may be formed on a first surface of the substrate **900** between the semiconductor chip **950** and the pad forming unit **903** of the substrate **900** by performing, for example, an inkjet process (S830). The dam **980** may be arranged in the same dam patterns as FIGS. 2A through 2H. In the process of forming the dam **980** using an inkjet process (S830), letters **990** that indicate the kind of package and characteristics may be marked on the semiconductor chip **950**. A process for hardening the letters **990** and the dam **980** may further be performed after the marking process and the dam forming process. The hardening process may be performed using, for example, ultraviolet rays, or a thermal hardening process.

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The marking may be performed after the dam **980** is formed, or the dam **980** may be formed after the marking is finished. The process of forming the dam **980** and the process of marking the letters **990** may be simultaneously performed. The dam **980** may be formed of the same material used to form the letters **990**.

Referring to FIGS. **8**, **12A**, and **12B**, an underfill material **930** may be deposited between an active surface of the semiconductor chip **950** and the first surface of the substrate **900** (**S840**). The underfill material **930** protects the solder balls **967** and the dam **980** prevents the underfill material **930** bleeding towards the pads **915**.

Having described the exemplary embodiments of the present invention, it is further noted that it is readily apparent to those of reasonable skill in the art that various modifications may be made without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention which is defined by the metes and bounds of the appended claims

What is claimed is:

1. A semiconductor package comprising:
  - a substrate that comprises a chip mounting unit disposed on a first surface thereof and a pad forming unit disposed on an outer region of the chip mounting unit and a plurality of pads disposed on the pad forming unit of the substrate;
  - a semiconductor chip disposed on the chip mounting unit of the substrate;
  - a dam disposed on the first surface of the substrate between the semiconductor chip and the pad forming unit, and wherein the dam separates at least a portion of the pads from the semiconductor chip; and
  - an underfill material disposed between an active surface of the semiconductor chip and the first surface of the substrate, and wherein an upper surface of the dam is rounded due to surface tension and wherein letters that are formed of the same material as the dam are marked on a top surface of the semiconductor chip.
2. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam surrounds the semiconductor chip as multi-walls.
3. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam surrounds the semiconductor chip and has a wound shape.
4. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam comprises at least one of a bar pattern corresponding to a side of the semiconductor chip or a corrugate pattern corresponding to at least a portion of the pads.
5. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam comprises ring shape patterns that surround at least portions of the pads, respectively.
6. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam comprises an inkjet type pattern.
7. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam comprises an ink composite that comprises a (meta) acryl group monomer, a (meta) acryl group oligomer, a photo-initiator, a dye, and an additive.

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8. The semiconductor package of claim 1, wherein the dam has a width of 50 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  and a height of greater than 15  $\mu\text{m}$ .

9. The semiconductor package of claim 8, wherein a distance between the semiconductor chip and the dam is 20 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ , a distance between the dam and the pads is 10 to 50  $\mu\text{m}$ , and a distance between the semiconductor chip and the pads is 80  $\mu\text{m}$ .

10. A semiconductor package comprising:

- a first package including a first substrate and a first semiconductor chip mounted on the first substrate, wherein the first substrate includes a plurality of first landing pads and a plurality of second landing pads which are disposed on a first surface of the first substrate, and a plurality of third landing pads disposed on a second surface opposite to the first surface of the first substrate, wherein an active surface of the first semiconductor chip is bonded to the first substrate and faces the first surface of the first substrate so that a plurality of first solder balls electrically connect the first landing pads of the first substrate and first chip pads disposed in the active surface of the first semiconductor chip;
- a second package including a second substrate and a second semiconductor chip, wherein the second substrate includes a plurality of bonding pads disposed in a first surface thereof and a plurality of fourth landing pads disposed in a second surface opposite to the first surface of the second substrate, wherein the second semiconductor chip is mounted onto the second substrate by an adhesive and second chip pads of the second semiconductor chip are electrically connected, respectively to the bonding pads of the second substrate through wires and wherein a plurality of second solder balls disposed respectively on the plurality of the fourth landing pads are electrically connected to the plurality of the second landing pads of the first substrate, respectively such that the first package and the second package are electrically connected to each other;
- a sealing unit formed on the second package which seals the second semiconductor chip, the wires, the bonding pads and the second chip pads;
- an underfill material disposed between the first surface of the first substrate and the active surface of the first semiconductor chip; and
- a dam for preventing the bleeding of the underfill material disposed between the underfill material and a pad forming unit disposed in the first surface of the first substrate, wherein the dam surrounds the first semiconductor chip, wherein an upper surface of the dam is rounded and wherein the dam has a width of 50 to 100  $\mu\text{m}$  and a height of greater than 15  $\mu\text{m}$  and wherein letters that are formed of the same material as the dam are marked on a top surface of the first semiconductor chip.

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