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[54] **ARTERIAL BLOOD MONITORING PROBE**
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[57] ABSTRACT

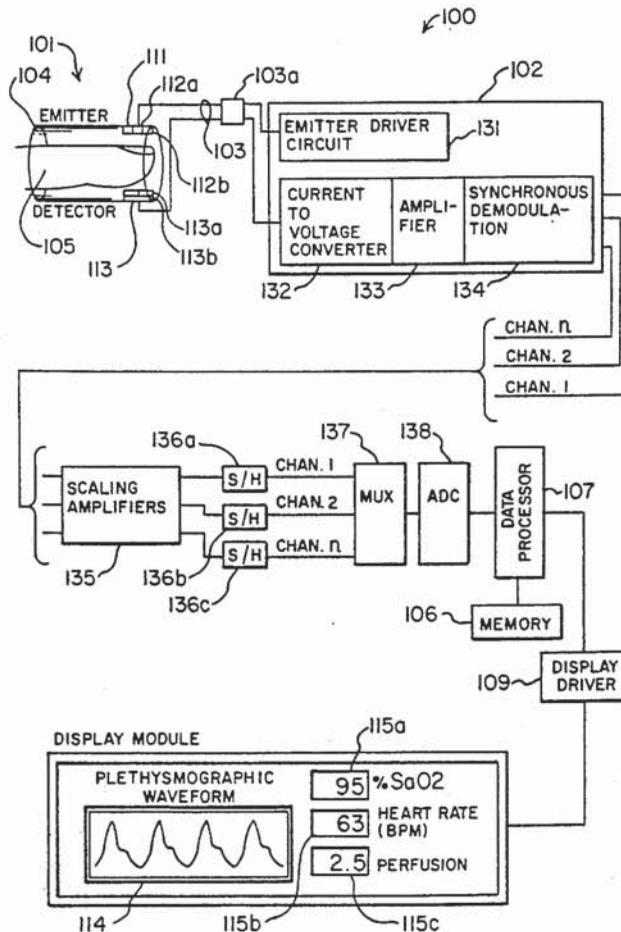
This arterial blood monitoring system takes advantage of the basic statistical property that arterial blood contains a plurality of dominant absorbers, whose measured light absorption spectra appear as a constant over a short interval of time. By measuring the transmitted light as it varies with arterial pulsation at selected wavelengths of light, over a common light path, the relative amount of these dominant absorbers in the arterial blood can noninvasively be determined. To ensure the common light path, a sandwich construction light detector is used.

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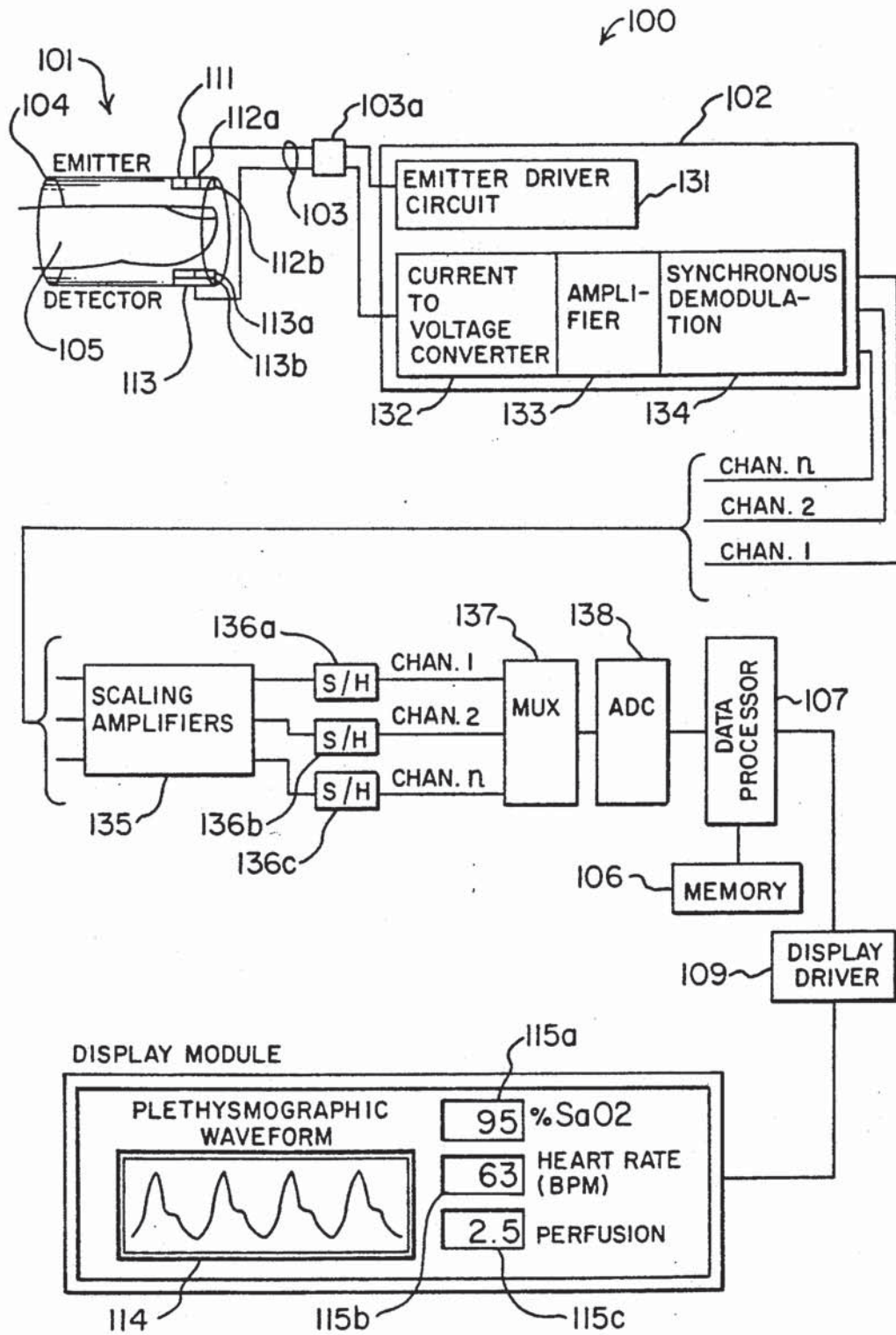


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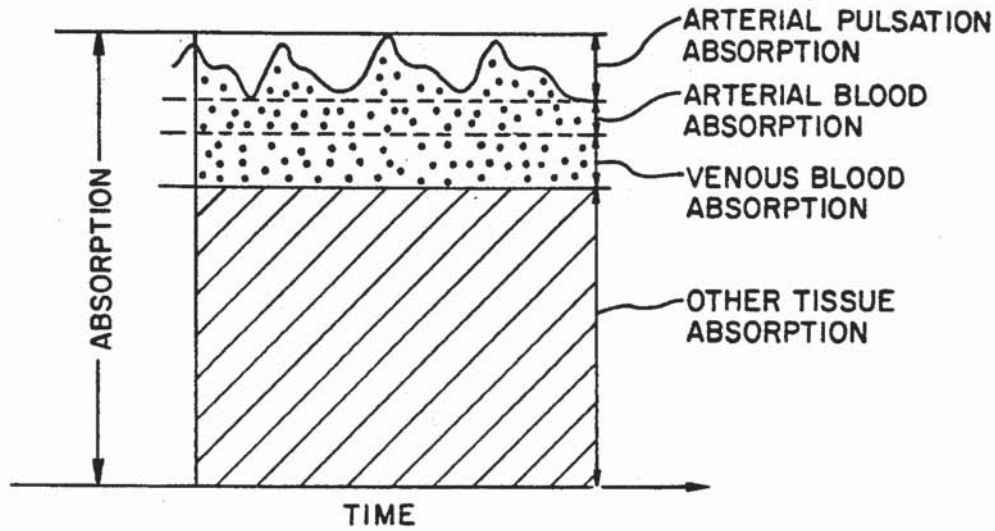
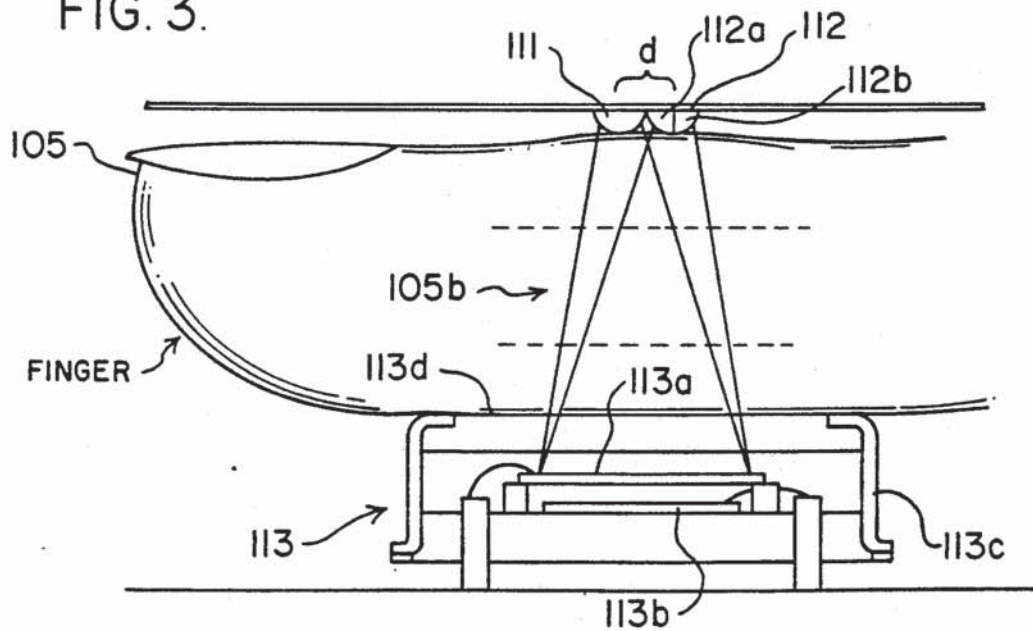


FIG. 3.



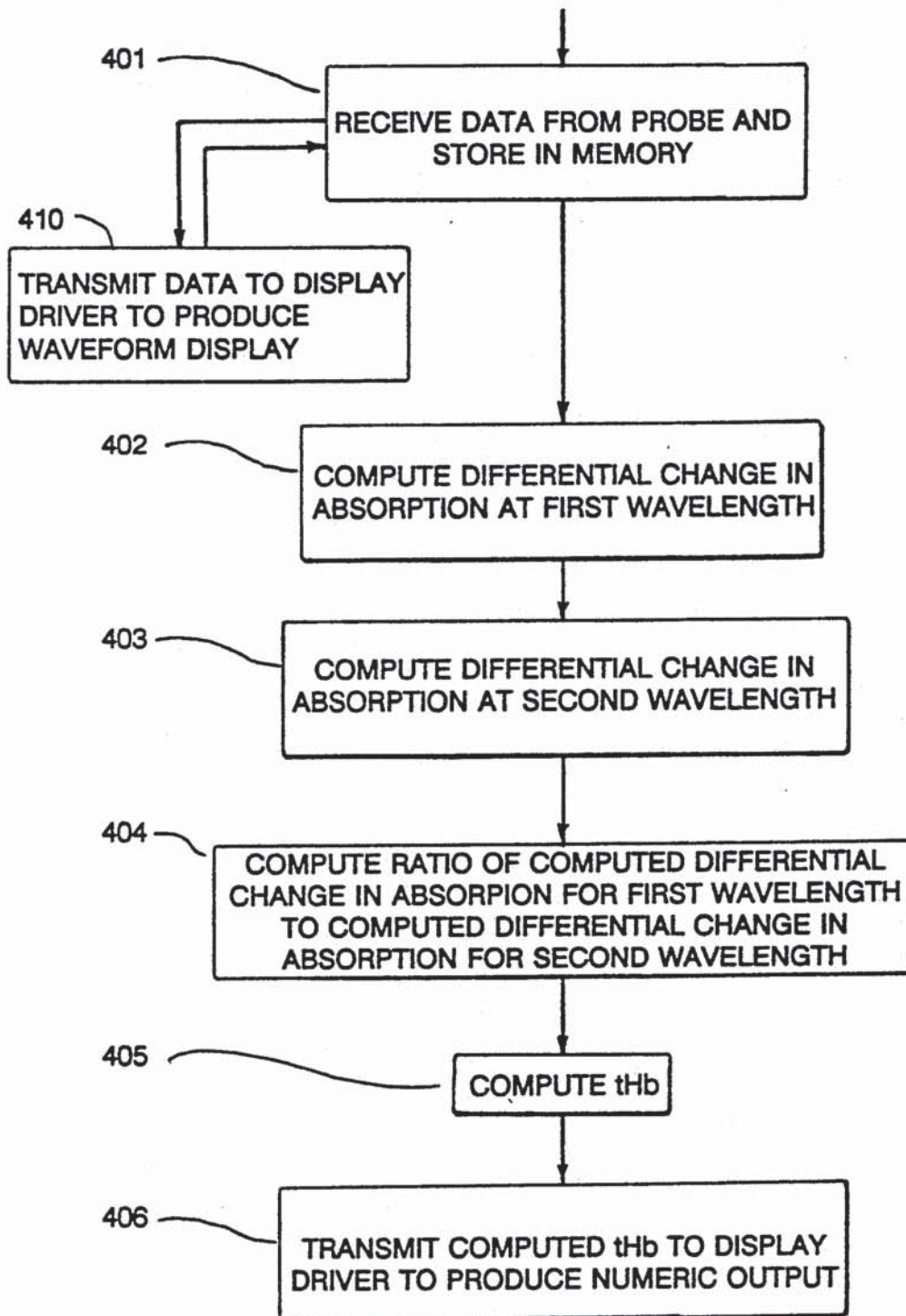


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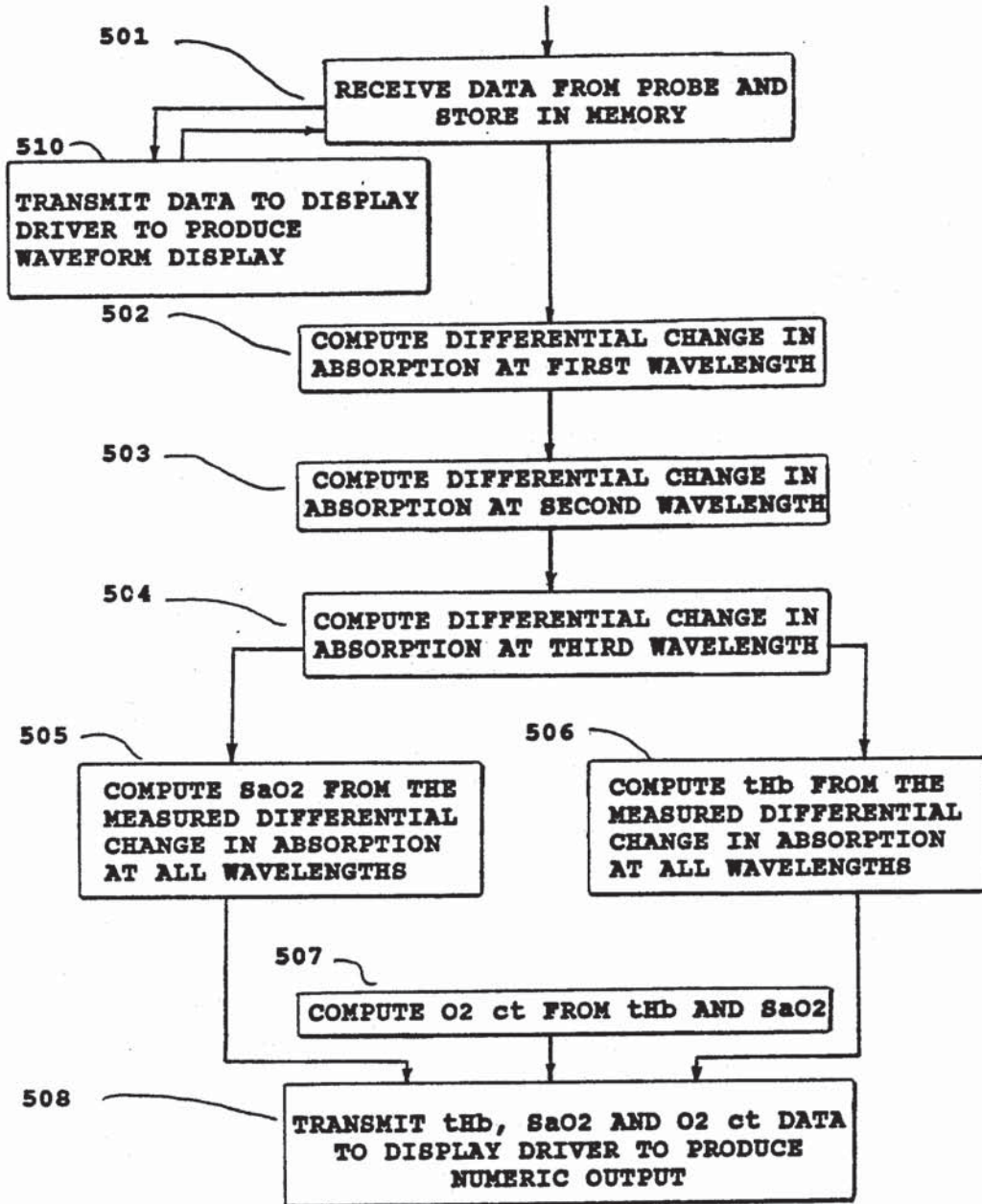


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