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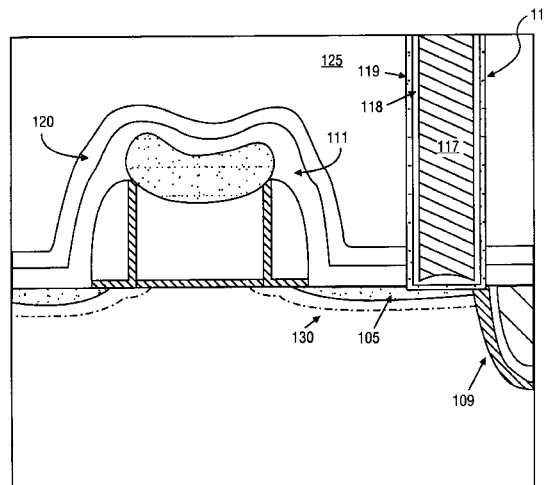
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

An integrated circuit comprising a conductive region formed on a semiconductor substrate, a silicate glass layer formed on the conductive region, and an etch stop layer formed on the silicate glass layer. The integrated circuit also includes a borderless contact that is coupled to the conductive region.

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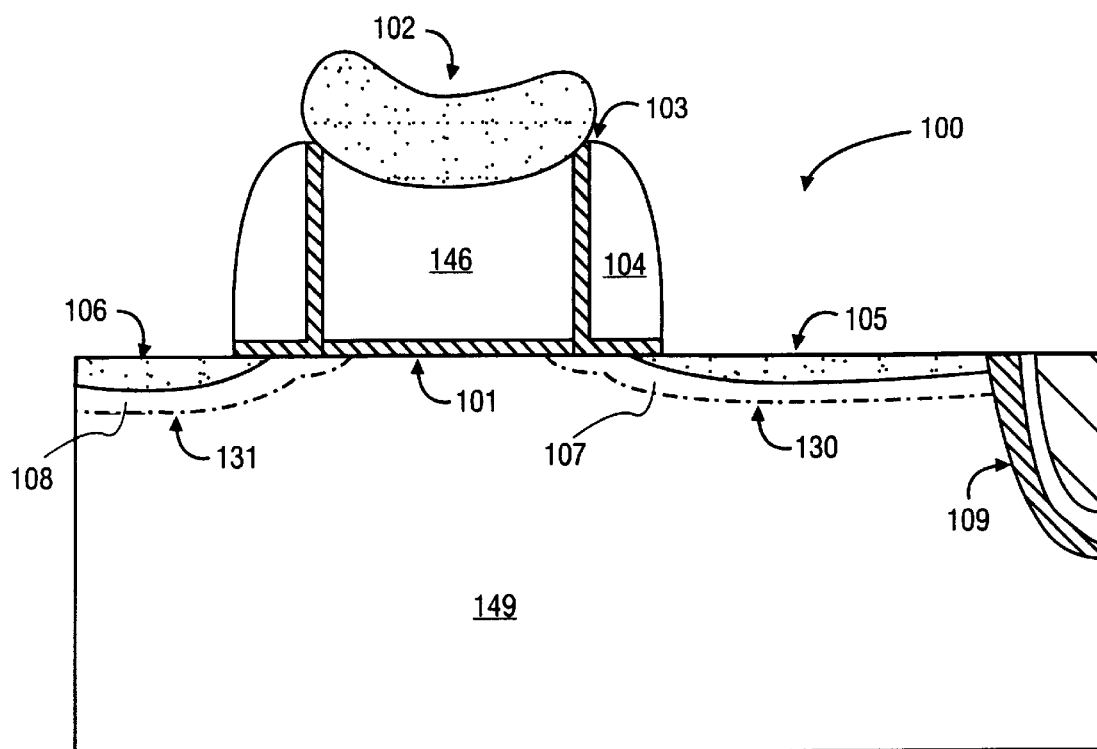


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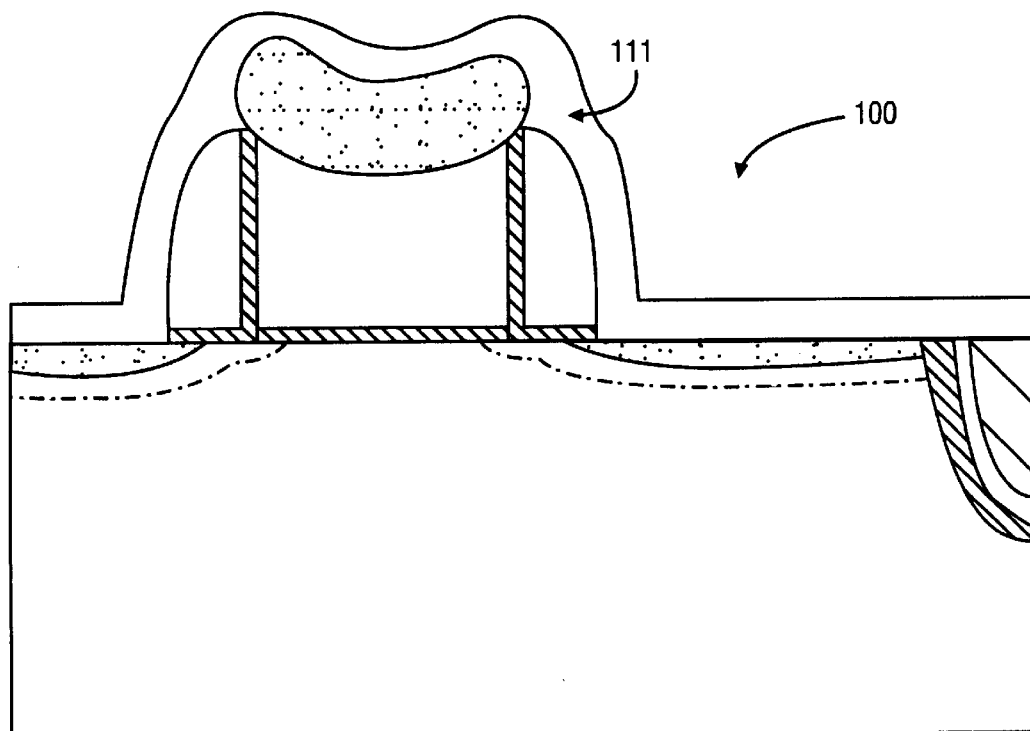


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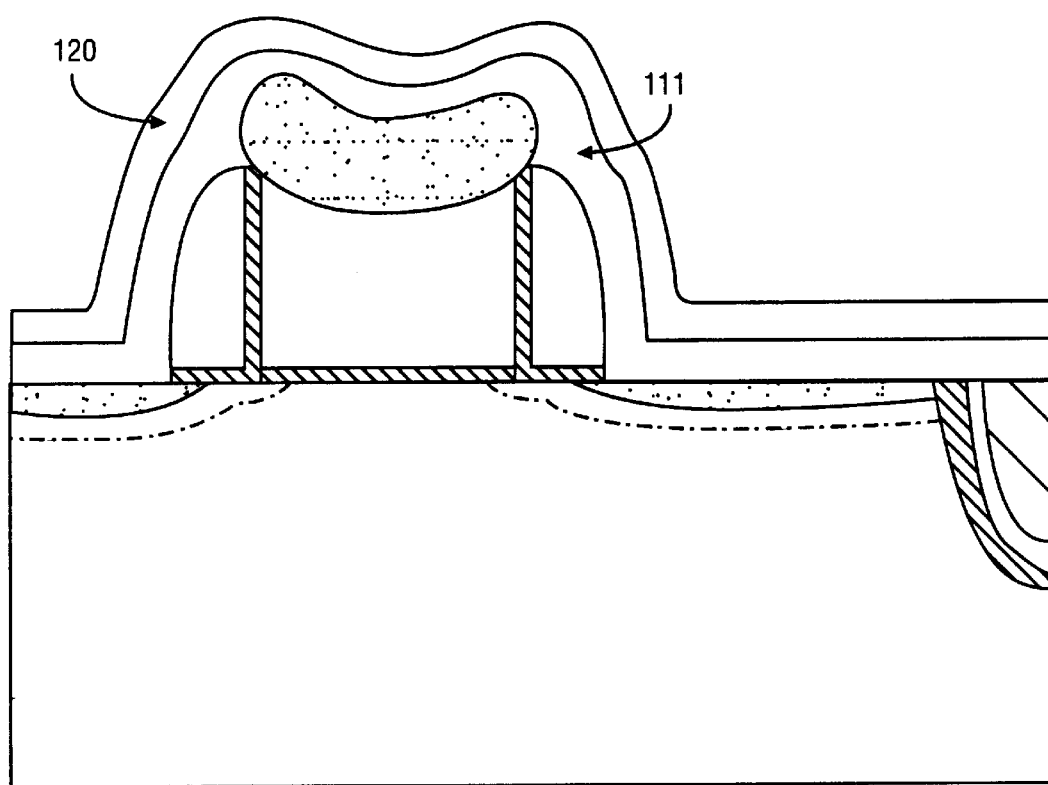


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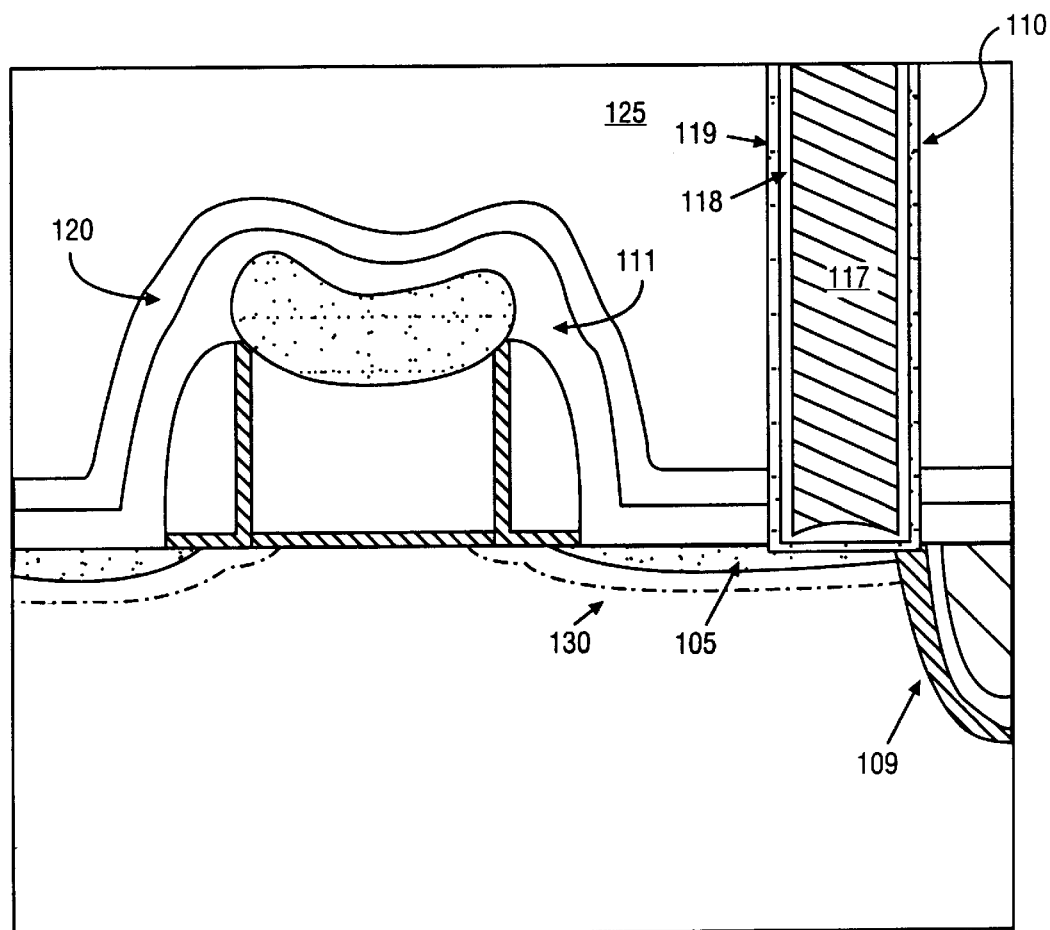


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