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[54]	CURRENT-CONTROLLED LUMINOUS
	ELEMENT ARRAY AND METHOD FOR
	PRODUCING THE SAME

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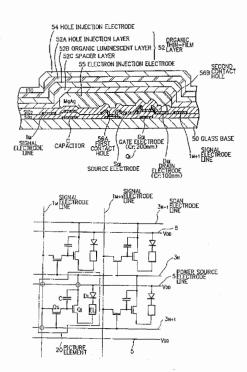
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## [57] ABSTRACT

In a current-controlled luminous element array, combinations of a luminous element of a current-controlled type, a current-controlling transistor for controlling the current of the luminous element, and a switching transistor are arranged in a matrix form between signal electrode lines and scan electrode lines such that the luminous element is connected at one terminal thereof to a power source electrode line and at the other terminal thereof to a drain electrode of the current-controlling transistor, a gate electrode of the current-controlling transistor and one signal electrode line have the switching transistor connected therebetween, and the current-controlling transistor in an arbitrary column of matrix has a source electrode thereof connected to one scan electrode line in another column.

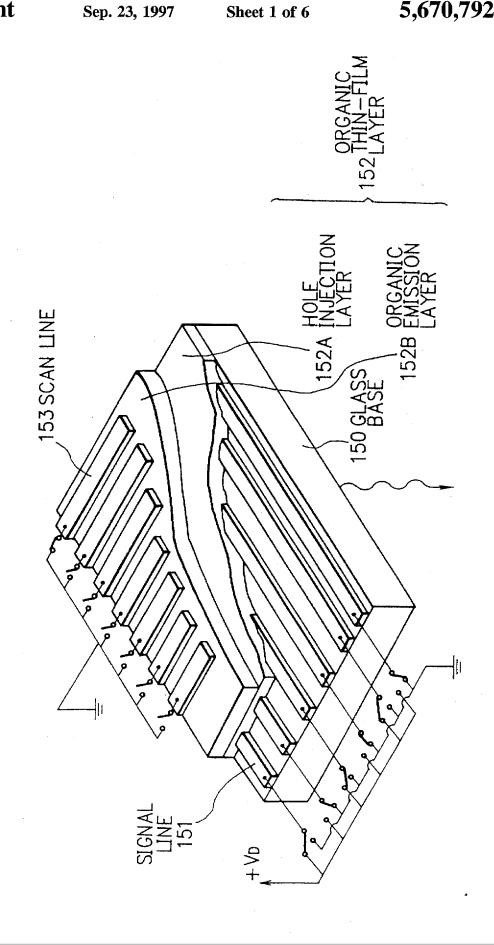
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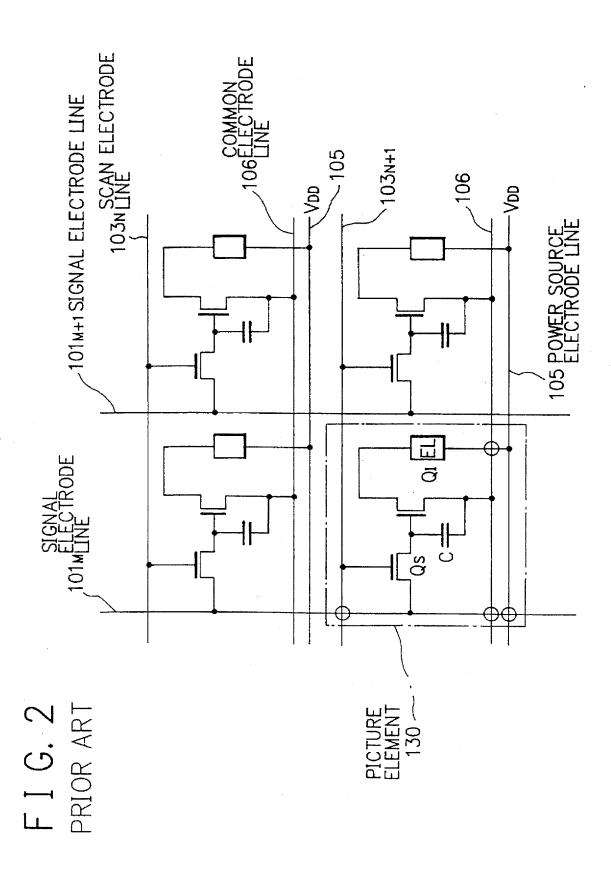


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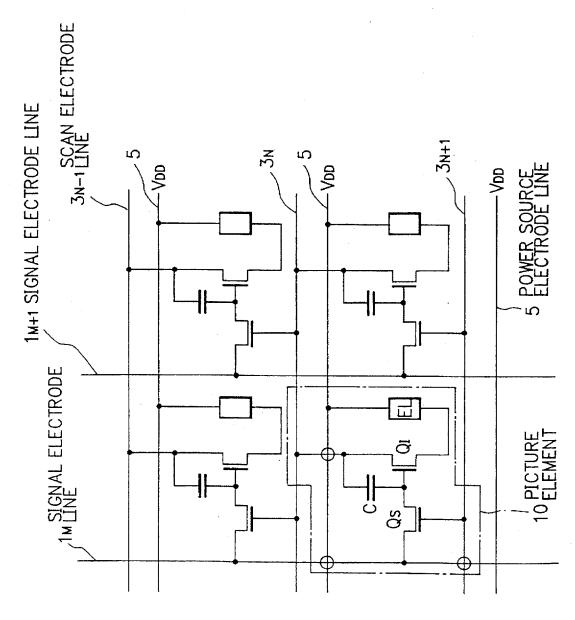
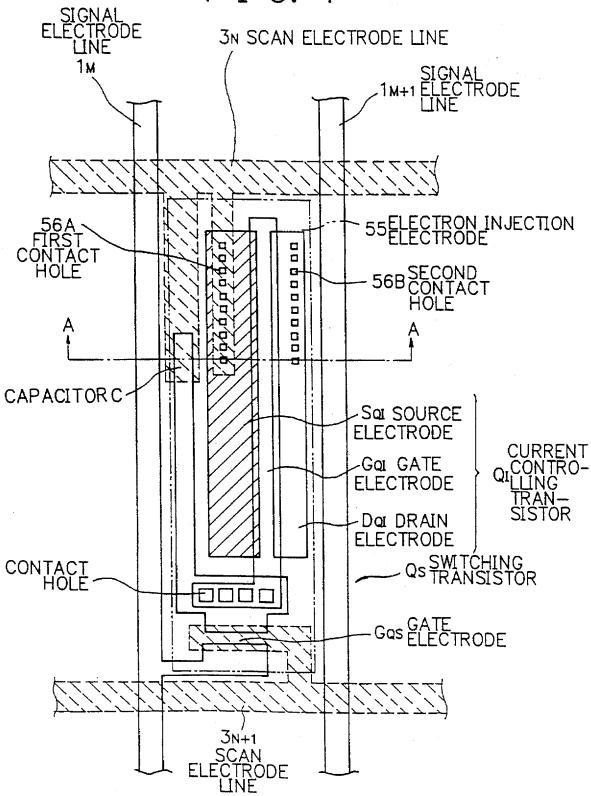


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