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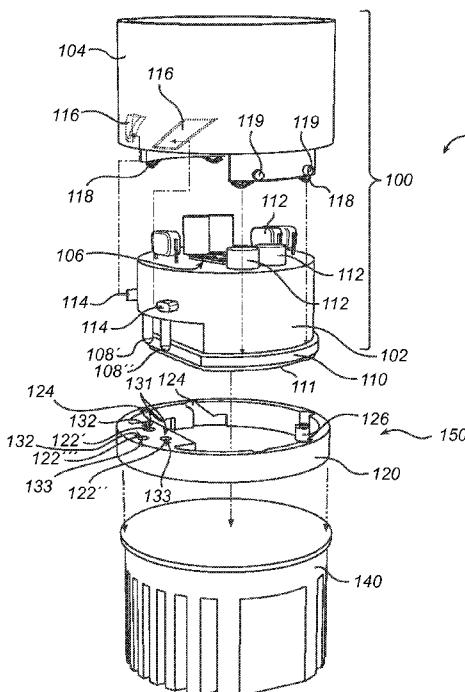


Fig. 1

(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a socket (150, 250, 350) for receiving a lighting module (102, 102', 202, 302', 302'', 302''') comprising a light source (106, 209), electrical contacting means (108', 108'', 108''', 215, 381; 371, 382; 372, 383; 373) electrically connected to the light source (106, 209) and a heat spreader (140, 240, 340) in thermal contact with the light source (106, 209), the socket (150, 250, 350) comprising at least a first set (131, 231, 331) and a second set (132, 232, 332) of socket contact means for providing an electrical interface with the electrical contacting means (108', 108'', 108''', 215, 381; 371, 382; 372, 383; 373) of the lighting module (102, 102', 202, 302', 302'', 302'''), wherein the socket (150, 250, 350) is configured to retain the lighting module (102, 102', 202, 302', 302'', 302''') in a predetermined position in which electrical contact between the electrical contacting means (108, 215, 381; 371, 382; 372, 383; 373) of the lighting module (102, 102', 202, 302', 302'', 302''') and one of the first (131, 231, 331) and second set (132, 232, 332) of socket contact means is achieved and electrical contact between the electrical contacting means (108', 108'', 108''', 215, 381; 371, 382; 372, 383; 373) of the lighting module (102, 102', 202, 302', 302'', 302''') and the other one of the first (131, 231, 331) and second set (132, 232, 332) of socket contact means is prevented. The invention further relates to a lighting module (102, 102', 202, 302', 302'', 302''') to be received in the socket (150, 250, 350) and to a luminaire comprising a lighting module mounted in a socket.

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