

# US Patent & Trademark Office

## Patent Public Search | Text View

---

United States Patent	12394697
Kind Code	B2
Date of Patent	August 19, 2025
Inventor(s)	Scharf; Thorsten et al.

---

### Method for fabricating a semiconductor device package comprising a pin in the form of a drilling screw

---

#### Abstract

A method of fabricating a semiconductor device package includes: providing a die carrier; disposing at least one semiconductor die on the die carrier, the semiconductor die comprising at least one contact pad on a main face remote from the carrier; electrically connecting the semiconductor die or another electrical device with an electrical connector; applying an encapsulant above the semiconductor die, the die carrier, and the electrical connector; and screwing a metallic drilling screw through the encapsulant so that an end of the drilling screw contacts the electrical connector.

---

**Inventors:** Scharf; Thorsten (Kareth, DE), Bemmerl; Thomas (Schwandorf, DE), Gruber; Martin (Schwandorf, DE), Meyer; Thorsten (Regensburg, DE), Singer; Frank (Regenstauf, DE)

**Applicant:** Infineon Technologies Austria AG (Villach, AT)

**Family ID:** 1000008763076

**Assignee:** Infineon Technologies Austria AG (Villach, AT)

**Appl. No.:** 18/442173

**Filed:** February 15, 2024

#### Prior Publication Data

Document Identifier	Publication Date
US 20240186225 A1	Jun. 06, 2024

#### Foreign Application Priority Data

EP	20183913	Jul. 03, 2020
----	----------	---------------

## Related U.S. Application Data

division parent-doc US 17359824 20210628 US 11955415 child-doc US 18442173

---

## Publication Classification

**Int. Cl.:** **H01L21/56** (20060101); **H01L23/00** (20060101); **H01L23/31** (20060101); **H01L23/498** (20060101); **H01L25/07** (20060101)

**U.S. Cl.:**

**CPC** **H01L23/49811** (20130101); **H01L21/56** (20130101); **H01L23/3121** (20130101); **H01L23/49844** (20130101); **H01L24/48** (20130101); **H01L25/072** (20130101); H01L2224/48229 (20130101); H01L2224/48249 (20130101); H01L2924/18301 (20130101)

## Field of Classification Search

**CPC:** H01L (23/49811); H01L (21/56); H01L (23/3121); H01L (23/49844); H01L (24/48); H01L (25/072); H01L (2224/48229); H01L (2224/48249); H01L (2924/18301); H01L (23/3107); H01L (23/3735); H01L (2224/0603); H01L (2224/48227); H01L (2224/48472); H01L (2224/4903); H01L (2224/49111); H01L (2924/181); H01L (25/16); H01L (25/18); H01L (25/50); H01L (21/4853); H01L (24/71); H01L (24/90)

---

## References Cited

### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Patent No.	Issued Date	Patentee Name	U.S. Cl.	CPC
2009/0146272	12/2008	Wieneke et al.	N/A	N/A
2010/0117216	12/2009	Lu et al.	N/A	N/A
2010/0127383	12/2009	Oka et al.	N/A	N/A
2011/0133320	12/2010	Inokuchi et al.	N/A	N/A
2013/0082387	12/2012	Stolze et al.	N/A	N/A
2015/0282350	12/2014	McBroom et al.	N/A	N/A
2016/0240452	12/2015	Prajuckamol et al.	N/A	N/A
2018/0147758	12/2017	Yasui et al.	N/A	N/A
2018/0286778	12/2017	Spann	N/A	H01L 25/07

### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Patent No.	Application Date	Country	CPC
103515364	12/2013	CN	N/A
102008033739	12/2009	DE	N/A
102016124172	12/2017	DE	N/A
102018114691	12/2018	DE	N/A

---

*Primary Examiner:* Ullah; Elias

*Attorney, Agent or Firm:* Murphy, Bilak & Homiller, PLLC

---

## Background/Summary

### RELATED APPLICATIONS

(1) The instant application claims priority to EP Patent application EP20183913 filed on Jul. 3, 2020, the content of which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.

### TECHNICAL FIELD

(2) The present disclosure relates to a semiconductor device package and to a method for fabricating a semiconductor device package.

### BACKGROUND

(3) In many electronic systems it is necessary to employ converters like DC/DC converters, AC/DC converters, or DC/AC converters in order to generate the currents, voltages and/or frequencies to be used by an electronic circuit, like, for example, a motor driving circuit. The converter circuits as mentioned before typically comprise one or more half-bridge circuits, each provided by two semiconductor power switches, such as e.g. power MOSFET devices, and further components such as diodes connected in parallel to the transistor devices, and passive components such as an inductance and a capacitance. The switching of the power MOSFET devices can be controlled by a semiconductor control chip. The several components of the converter circuit may in principle be provided as individual components which are mounted on a printed circuit board. Alternatively, a part of or all of the components may be accommodated in a single semiconductor device package to form a multi-chip module, which may have an advantage that the assembly of the entire converter circuit on the board is simplified and the space required on the board can be reduced.

(4) With these types of semiconductor device packages there is, however, a steady challenge concerning the forming of external contacts and connecting them with the contact pads of the semiconductor dies. The semiconductor device packages usually need a vertical wiring of electric contact, namely from the layer where the semiconductor dies are assembled upwards. As an example a specific package might be taken in which the substrate is a direct copper bond (DCB) and the vertical interconnects are formed by soldered sleeves with pressed-in pins. The assembly is later protected by a soft silicone cast. This soft cast has severe disadvantages compared to a hard molding compound as it is less protective against external ions, less stiff against mechanical force, and expensive. If a standard mold compound could be used, the external frame could be saved and its function taken by the mold itself. Additionally a high performance IMS (insulated metal substrate) could substitute the DCB as the mechanical stiffness is also covered by the mold. Anyhow, the wished flexibility for the pin positions makes a molding of this kind of assembly very difficult.

(5) For these and other reasons there is a need for the present disclosure.

### SUMMARY

(6) A first aspect of the present disclosure is related to a semiconductor device package, comprising a die carrier, at least one semiconductor die disposed on the die carrier, an encapsulant disposed above the semiconductor die, an electrical connector electrically connected with either the contact pad of the semiconductor die or with another electrical device, and a metallic drilling screw screwed through the encapsulant and connected with the electrical connector.

(7) A second aspect of the present disclosure is related to a method for fabricating a semiconductor device package, comprising providing a die carrier, disposing at least one semiconductor die onto the die carrier, electrically connecting the semiconductor die or another electrical device with an electrical connector, applying an encapsulation layer above the semiconductor die, the die carrier, and the electrical connector, and screwing a metallic drilling screw through the encapsulant so that an end of the drilling screw makes contact with the electrical connector.

---

# Description

## BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

- (1) The accompanying drawings are included to provide a further understanding of embodiments and are incorporated in and constitute a part of this specification. The drawings illustrate embodiments and together with the description serve to explain principles of embodiments. Other embodiments and many of the intended advantages of embodiments will be readily appreciated as they become better understood by reference to the following detailed description.
- (2) The elements of the drawings are not necessarily to scale relative to each other. Like reference numerals designate corresponding similar parts.
- (3) FIG. 1 shows a schematic cross-sectional side view representation of a semiconductor device package of the first aspect according to an example, in which the electrical connector is formed by a sleeve, wherein the enlarged section shows the connection between the screw and the electrical connector in further detail.
- (4) FIG. 2 comprises FIGS. 2A and 2B and shows perspective top views on a complete semiconductor device package according to the example of FIG. 1 wherein FIG. 2A shows the finished package and FIG. 2B shows the package where part of the encapsulant is broken off to show the inside of the package.
- (5) FIG. 3 shows a schematic cross-sectional side view representation of a semiconductor device package of the first aspect according to an example, in which the electrical connector is not connected with the semiconductor die but with another electrical device.
- (6) FIG. 4 comprises FIG. 4A to 4H and shows perspective views of different examples of drilling screws.
- (7) FIG. 5 comprises FIGS. 5A and 5B and shows respective portions of a further example of a semiconductor device package in a perspective top view (A) and in a cross-sectional side view through two adjacent electrical connectors (B).
- (8) FIG. 6 comprises FIGS. 6A and 6B and shows a further example of a semiconductor device package in a perspective top view (A) and in a cross-sectional side view through an electrical connector.
- (9) FIG. 7 shows a flow diagram of a method for fabricating a semiconductor device package according to the second aspect.

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION

- (10) The aspects and embodiments are now described with reference to the drawings, wherein like reference numerals are generally utilized to refer to like elements throughout. In the following description, for purposes of explanation, numerous specific details are set forth in order to provide a thorough understanding of one or more aspects of the embodiments. It may be evident, however, to one skilled in the art that one or more aspects of the embodiments may be practiced with a lesser degree of the specific details. In other instances, known structures and elements are shown in schematic form in order to facilitate describing one or more aspects of the embodiments. It is to be understood that other embodiments may be utilized and structural or logical changes may be made without departing from the scope of the present disclosure. It should be noted further that the drawings are not to scale or not necessarily to scale.
- (11) In the following detailed description, reference is made to the accompanying drawings, which form a part hereof, and in which is shown by way of illustration specific aspects in which the disclosure may be practiced. In this regard, directional terminology, such as “top”, “bottom”, “front”, “back”, etc., may be used with reference to the orientation of the figures being described. Since components of described devices may be positioned in a number of different orientations, the directional terminology may be used for purposes of illustration and is in no way limiting. It is understood that other aspects may be utilized and structural or logical changes may be made

without departing from the scope of the present disclosure. The following detailed description, therefore, is not to be taken in a limiting sense, and the scope of the present disclosure is defined by the appended claims.

(12) In addition, while a particular feature or aspect of an embodiment may be disclosed with respect to only one of several implementations, such feature or aspect may be combined with one or more other features or aspects of the other implementations as may be desired and advantageous for any given or particular application. Furthermore, to the extent that the terms “include”, “have”, “with” or other variants thereof are used in either the detailed description or the claims, such terms are intended to be inclusive in a manner similar to the term “comprise”. The terms “coupled” and “connected”, along with derivatives may be used. It should be understood that these terms may be used to indicate that two elements co-operate or interact with each other regardless whether they are in direct physical or electrical contact, or they are not in direct contact with each other. Also, the term “exemplary” is merely meant as an example, rather than the best or optimal. The following detailed description, therefore, is not to be taken in a limiting sense, and the scope of the present disclosure is defined by the appended claims.

(13) The embodiments of a semiconductor module and a method for fabricating a semiconductor module may use various types of transistor devices. The embodiments may use transistor devices embodied in semiconductor dies or semiconductor chips wherein the semiconductor dies or semiconductor chips may be provided in a form of a block of semiconducting material as fabricated from a semiconductor wafer and diced out from the semiconductor wafer, or in another form in which further process steps have been carried out like, for example, applying an encapsulation layer to the semiconductor die or semiconductor chip. The embodiments may also use horizontal or vertical transistor devices wherein those structures may be provided in a form in which all contact elements of the transistor device are provided on one of the main faces of the semiconductor die (horizontal transistor structures) or in a form in which at least one electrical contact element is arranged on a first main face of the semiconductor die and at least one other electrical contact element is arranged on a second main face opposite to the main face of the semiconductor die (vertical transistor structures) like, for example, MOS transistor structures or IGBT (Insulated Gate Bipolar Transistor) structures.

(14) In any case the semiconductor dies or semiconductor chips may comprise contact elements or contact pads on one or more of their outer surfaces wherein the contact elements serve for electrically contacting the semiconductor dies. The contact elements may have any desired form or shape. They can, for example, have the form of lands, i.e. flat contact layers on an outer surface of the semiconductor die. The contact elements or contact pads may be made from any electrically conducting material, e.g. from a metal as aluminum, gold, or copper, for example, or a metal alloy, or an electrically conducting organic material, or an electrically conducting semiconductor material. The contact elements may also be formed as layer stacks of one or more of the above-mentioned materials.

(15) The embodiments of a semiconductor device package may comprise an encapsulant or encapsulating material having the semiconductor dies or transistor devices embedded therein. The encapsulating material can be any electrically insulating material like, for example, any kind of molding material, any kind of resin material, or any kind of epoxy material. The encapsulating material can also be a polymer material, a polyimide material, a thermoplast material, a silicone material, a ceramic material, and a glass material. The encapsulating material may also comprise any of the above-mentioned materials and further include filler materials embedded therein like, for example, thermally conductive increments. These filler increments can be made of AlO or Al.sub.2O.sub.3, AlN, BN, or SiN, for example. Furthermore the filler increments may have the shape of fibers and can be made of carbon fibers or nanotubes, for example.

(16) FIG. 1 shows a cross-sectional side view representation of a semiconductor device package according to an example.

(17) The semiconductor device package **100** of FIG. **1** comprises a direct copper bonded substrate (DCB) **10** comprising as usual a ceramic layer **12**, which is covered by a first upper metallization layer **11**, and a second lower metallization layer **13**. The first metallization layer **11** may comprise one or more first metallization regions **11A** (die carriers) on which one or more semiconductor dies **20** can be disposed. The present example shows one metallization region **11A** on which two semiconductor dies **20** are disposed. The semiconductor dies **20** can be, for example, semiconductor transistor dies like IGBT dies or one semiconductor die **20** can be a semiconductor transistor die and the other one can be a semiconductor diode die. In general, each one of the semiconductor transistor dies may be constructed in a way that a first, lower main face comprises a first contact pad, in particular a drain contact pad, and a second upper main face comprises a second contact pad, in particular a source contact pad, and a third contact pad, in particular a gate contact pad. The semiconductor diode dies can also comprise a vertical structure having a first contact pad on a first, lower main face and a second contact pad on a second upper main face thereof. The semiconductor transistor dies and the semiconductor diode dies can be applied onto the first metallization region **11A** by use of silver paste, solder or sinter paste for example. The two semiconductor dies **20** can be connected with each other which is not shown here for reasons of simplicity. The semiconductor dies **20** may each comprise at least one electrical contact pad on a main face remote from the substrate **10**.

(18) Furthermore an encapsulant **30** is disposed above the semiconductor dies **20** such that it covers the semiconductor dies **20** and an upper main face and side faces of the DCB **10**.

(19) The first metallization layer **11** may further comprise one or more second metallization regions **11B** which may function as intermediate electrical connectors. The metallization region **11B** may be connected to a contact pad of the semiconductor die **20** by means of a bond wire **60**.

Furthermore a metallic sleeve **40** (electrical connector) can be disposed on the metallization region **11B**, the metallic sleeve **40** being dimensioned so as to receive a drilling screw **50**.

(20) As can be seen in the enlarged section of FIG. **1**, the drilling screw **50** may comprise a drilling end section **51**, a screw section **52** adjacent to the drilling end section **51**, and a rod-shaped section **53** adjacent to the screw section **52**. The drilling screw **50** is drilled and screwed through the encapsulant **30** until the drilling end section **51** reaches the metallic sleeve **40**. The drilling end section **51** can then further be drilled into the metallic sleeve **40**. The dimensions of the length of the screw section **52** and the thickness of the encapsulant **30** can be so that the screw section **52** is completely screwed into the encapsulant **30**. Alternatively, it is also possible that the screw section is not completely screwed into the encapsulant and a portion of the screw section stands over the upper surface of the encapsulant **30**.

(21) It can further be seen in the enlarged section of FIG. **1**, that the metallic sleeve **40** comprises an inner cavity **41** which comprises an open upper end into which the drilling screw **50** is drilled in. The lateral diameter of the drilling section **51** is slightly larger than the lateral diameter of the inner cavity of the metallic sleeve **40**.

(22) It should be added that FIG. **1** shows two semiconductor dies **20** which can be connected to respective electrical connectors **40** and drilling screws **50** in one and the same manner as was described above. However, it can also be the case that one of the semiconductor dies **20** is connected in a different way to an external connector wherein, for example, the external connector is given by a metallic sleeve into which a press pin is inserted.

(23) According to FIG. **1** the drilling screws **50** are screwed into the encapsulant **30** through the upper main face thereof. However, it should be added that the drilling screws can also be screwed into the encapsulant through any other outer wall of the encapsulant as, for example, through one or more of the side walls of the encapsulant.

(24) FIG. **2** comprises FIGS. **2A** and **2B** and shows perspective top views on an example of a complete semiconductor device package.

(25) FIG. **2B** shows an example of a semiconductor device package **200** which comprises a DCB

**210** and a plurality of semiconductor dies **220** disposed on a first upper metallic layer of the DCB **210**. The semiconductor dies **220** can be semiconductor transistor dies like, for example, IGBTs, and semiconductor diode dies. It can be seen that several ones of the semiconductor dies **220** are connected by bond wires with respective metallization regions **211B** of the DCB **210**. These metallization regions **211B** are electrically connected with respective sleeves **240** which are disposed on an upper main face of the metallization regions **211B**, respectively. Furthermore drilling screws **250** are screwed through the encapsulant **230** and drilled into an upper portion of the sleeves **240**, respectively.

(26) FIG. **3** shows a cross-sectional side view representation of a semiconductor device package according to another example. The semiconductor device package **300** of FIG. **3** is similar to the semiconductor device package **100** of FIG. **1** so that in the following only the differences will be explained. With the semiconductor device package **100** of FIG. **1** one or both of the depicted semiconductor dies **10** were connected to the electrical connector **40**. In the semiconductor device package **300** of FIG. **3** the semiconductor dies **20** are not connected to the electrical connector **40**. Instead another electrical device **70** like, for example, a temperature sensor **70** is disposed on the second metallization region **11B** and thereby electrically connected to the electrical connector **40**. The semiconductor dies **20** can be connected to another type of external connector which is not shown here for reasons of simplicity.

(27) The example of a semiconductor device package **300** as shown in FIG. **3** serves the purpose to make clear that the one or more semiconductor dies **20** present in the semiconductor device package **300** do not have to be electrically connected to drilling screws as was shown and explained in connection with FIG. **1**. It should be added, however, that this does not mean that the semiconductor dies **20** have to be connected with other types of external connectors. At least some of them can as well be connected to electrical connectors **40** and drilling screws **50** as shown in the example of a semiconductor device package **100** of FIG. **1**.

(28) FIG. **4** comprises FIG. **4A** to **4H** and shows perspective views of different examples of drilling screws.

(29) As will be seen in the examples, the drilling screw further comprises a driver section, which is either located at an end of the rod-shaped section **53** or integrated in an end of the rod-shaped section **53**.

(30) FIG. **4A** shows an example of a drilling screw which was used in the example of semiconductor device package as shown and described in connection with FIG. **1**. This kind of drilling screw **50** comprises a drilling section **51**, a screw section **52**, and a rod-shaped section **53**. Furthermore this kind of drilling screw **50** has a square profile over its full length so that an upper end section of the rod-shaped section **53** may serve as a driver section where a square spanner can engage to screw the drilling screw **50** into the encapsulant.

(31) FIGS. **4B** and **4C** show further examples of drilling screws similar to the example of FIG. **4A**. The drilling screws **150** and **250** as shown in FIGS. **4B** and **4C** only differ from the drilling screw **50** of FIG. **4A** in that the lengths of the rod-shaped sections **153**, **253** are extended at the expense of the length of the screw sections **152**, **252** and the drilling sections **151**, **251**. In the drilling screw **150** of FIG. **4B** the lengths of both the screw section **152** and the drilling end section **151** are shortened to about a half of their lengths in the drilling screw of FIG. **4A**. In the drilling screw **250** of FIG. **4C** the drilling section **251** has about the same length as the drilling section **51** of the drilling screw **50**, but a reduced diameter, whereas the screw section **252** is shortened so that it has only about one winding. The rod-shaped sections **153**, **253** comprise square profiles as in the drilling screw **50** of FIG. **4A**.

(32) FIG. **4D** shows a further example of a drilling screw **350** which comprises a drilling section **351**, a screw section **352**, a rod-shaped section **353**, and a driver section **354**. That means, in this example of a drilling screw **350**, there the rod-shaped section **353** and the driver section **354** are clearly distinguished from each other. The driver section **354** comprises again a square profile.

- (33) FIG. 4E shows a further example of a drilling screw **450** which comprises a drilling section **451**, a screw section **452**, a rod-shaped section **453**, and a driver section **454**. Similar to the drilling screw **350** from FIG. 4D, in this example of a drilling screw **450**, there the rod-shaped section **453** and the driver section **454** are clearly distinguished from each other. The driver section **454** comprises again a square profile.
- (34) FIGS. 4F to 4H show further examples of drilling screws which comprise driver sections which are different from the driver sections of the previously shown drilling screws.
- (35) FIG. 4F shows an example of a drilling screw **550** which is formed after a conventional countersunk screw. Accordingly the drilling screw **550** comprises a drill section **551** and screw section **552** similar to the drill section **51** and the screw section **52** of the drilling screw **50**, a rod-shaped section **553** similar to the rod-shaped section **353** of the drilling screw **350**, and a driver section **554** which is formed like a cone head of a conventional countersunk screw. On the upper surface of the cone head there can be any provided a hexagon socket or cross recess or any other type of socket or recess which a conventional spanner or wrench can engage with.
- (36) FIG. 4G shows an example of a drilling screw **650** which comprises a drill section **651** and screw section **652** similar to the drill section **51** and the screw section **52** of the drilling screw **50**, a rod-shaped section **653** again similar to the rod-shaped section **353** of the drilling screw **350**, and a driver section **654** which is formed like an octagonal screw head which can be driven by an appropriate conventional spanner or wrench. Of course, the driver section **654** can also be formed hexagonal.
- (37) FIG. 4H shows an example of a drilling screw **750** which comprises a drill section **751** and screw section **752** similar to the drill section **51** and the screw section **52** of the drilling screw **50**, a rod-shaped section **753** again similar to the rod-shaped section **353** of the drilling screw **350**, and a driver section **754** which is integrated into a cavity in an upper portion of the rod-shaped section **753**. The cavity of the driver section **754** is formed like an internal octagon or octagonal socket which can be driven by an appropriate conventional spanner or wrench. Of course, also in this case the driver section **754** can also be formed hexagonal.
- (38) It should be added furthermore that the present disclosure is of course not restricted to the types of drilling screws as shown in FIG. 4A to 4H. Any other types of drilling screws can be employed instead.
- (39) FIG. 5 comprises FIGS. 5A and 5B and shows a further example of a semiconductor device package in a perspective top view (A) and in a cross-sectional side view through two adjacent electrical connectors (B).
- (40) The semiconductor device package **400** of FIG. 5 comprises a structure which is similar to the structure of the semiconductor device package **100** of FIG. 1 so that in the following only the differences to the latter will be explained. The semiconductor device package **400** of FIG. 5 also comprises a DCB **310** comprising a first upper metallization layer **311** comprising first metallization regions **311A** and second metallization regions **311B**. A plurality of semiconductor dies **320** is disposed on the first metallization regions **311A** and several ones of the semiconductor dies **320** are connected by bond wires **360** with respective second metallization regions **311B** of the first metallization layer **311** of the DCB **310**. These second metallization regions **311B** are electrically connected with respective metal blocks **340** which are disposed on an upper main face of the second metallization regions **311B**, respectively. Furthermore drilling screws **350** are screwed through the encapsulant **330** and drilled into an upper portion of the metallic blocks **340**, respectively. The metallic blocks can, for example, be copper blocks.
- (41) FIG. 6 comprises FIGS. 6A and 6B and shows a further example of a semiconductor device package in a perspective top view (A) and in a cross-sectional side view through an electrical connector.
- (42) The semiconductor device package **500** of FIG. 6 comprises a structure which is similar to the structure of the semiconductor device package **100** of FIG. 1 so that in the following only the



differences to the latter will be explained. The semiconductor device package **500** of FIG. **6** also comprises a DCB **410** comprising a first upper metallization layer **411** comprising first metallization regions **411A** and second metallization regions **411B**. A plurality of semiconductor dies **420** is disposed on the first metallization regions **411A** and several ones of the semiconductor dies **420** are connected by bond wires **460** with respective second metallization regions **411B** of the first metallization layer **411** of the DCB **410**. These second metallization regions **411B** do not serve as intermediate electrical connectors, but are directly electrically connected by the drilling screws **450**. More specifically, drilling screws **450** are screwed through the encapsulant **430** and drilled into an upper portion of the second metallization regions **411B** themselves, respectively. It may be that for proper functioning in case of a DCB **410**, the first upper metallization layer **411** may have to be formed somewhat or significantly thicker than usual.

(43) FIG. **7** shows a flow diagram of a method for fabricating a semiconductor device package according to the second aspect.

(44) The method **600** of FIG. **7** comprises providing a die carrier (**610**), disposing at least one semiconductor die onto the die carrier, the semiconductor die comprising at least one contact pad (**620**), electrically connecting the contact pad with an electrical connector (**630**), applying an encapsulation layer above the semiconductor die, the carrier, and the electrical connector (**640**), and screwing a metallic drilling screw through the encapsulant so that an end of the drilling screw makes contact with the electrical connector (**650**).

(45) According to an example of the method **600**, providing the die carrier comprises providing one out of a group consisting of a leadframe, a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, and an active metal brazing substrate, wherein the die carrier is part of the one.

(46) According to an example of the method **600**, the encapsulant comprises a first upper main face remote from the die carrier, and screwing the drilling screw is performed such that the drilling screw extends through the first main face of the encapsulant.

(47) According to an example of the method **600**, screwing the drilling screw comprises drilling the screw into the electrical connector.

(48) Further examples of the method **600** can be construed by adding one or more of the features as were described above in connection with the semiconductor device package according to the first aspect.

(49) Example 1 is a semiconductor device package, comprising a die carrier, at least one semiconductor die disposed on the die carrier, an encapsulant disposed above the semiconductor die, an electrical connector electrically connected with the semiconductor die or with another electrical device, and a metallic drilling screw screwed through the encapsulant and connected with the electrical connector.

(50) Example 2 is a semiconductor device package according to Example 1, wherein the drilling screw is drilled into the electrical connector.

(51) Example 3 is a semiconductor device package according to Example 1 or 2, wherein the drilling screw comprises a drilling end section, a screw section adjacent to the drilling end section, and a rod-shaped section adjacent to the screw section.

(52) Example 4 is a semiconductor device package according to Example 3, wherein the drilling screw further comprises a driver section, which is either located at an end of the rod-shaped section or integrated in an end of the rod-shaped section.

(53) Example 5 is a semiconductor device package according to any one of the preceding Examples, further comprising substrate, wherein the substrate comprises the carrier and is one out of a group consisting of a leadframe, a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, and an active metal brazing substrate.

(54) Example 6 is a semiconductor device package according to Example 5, wherein the substrate is one out of a group consisting of a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, or an active metal brazing substrate, wherein the substrate comprises a ceramic layer, in

particular one or more of AlO, AlN, Al.sub.2O.sub.3, or a dielectric layer, in particular Si.sub.3N.sub.4.

(55) Example 7 is a semiconductor device package according to any one of the preceding Examples, wherein the encapsulant comprises a first upper main face remote from the die carrier, wherein the drilling screw extends through the first main face of the encapsulant.

(56) Example 8 is a semiconductor device package according to any one of the preceding Examples, wherein the electrical connector is one out of a group consisting of a sleeve comprising an inner cavity, a metal block, and a metal layer of one of a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, or an active metal brazing substrate.

(57) Example 9 is a semiconductor device package according to any one of the preceding Examples, wherein the drilling screw is made by one of Cu, a Cu alloy, an Al alloy, or steel.

(58) Example 10 is a semiconductor device package according to any one of the preceding Examples, comprising a plurality of semiconductor transistor dies disposed on the carrier, at least one of the semiconductor transistor dies comprising at least one contact pad on a main face remote from the die carrier; a plurality of semiconductor diode dies disposed on the die carrier, wherein at least one of the semiconductor diode dies is connected in parallel with one of the semiconductor transistor dies; a plurality of electrical connectors, wherein at least one of the electrical connectors is connected with one of the contact pads of the semiconductor transistor dies; and a plurality of metallic drilling screws, wherein at least one of the metallic drilling screws is screwed through the encapsulant and connected with the electrical connector.

(59) Example 11 is an electronic device according to Example 10, wherein the load electrodes are separated by the electrically insulating material by a distance of smaller than 2.0 mm.

(60) Example 12 is a method for fabricating a semiconductor device package, comprising providing a die carrier, disposing at least one semiconductor die onto the die carrier, electrically connecting the semiconductor die or another electrical device an electrical connector, applying an encapsulation layer above the semiconductor die, the die carrier, and the electrical connector, and screwing a metallic drilling screw through the encapsulant so that an end of the drilling screw makes contact with the electrical connector.

(61) Example 13 is the method according to Example 12, wherein providing the die carrier comprises providing one out of a group consisting of a leadframe, a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, and an active metal brazing substrate, wherein the die carrier is part of the one.

(62) Example 14 is the method according to any one of Examples 11 to 13, wherein the encapsulant comprises a first upper main face remote from the die carrier, and screwing the drilling screw is performed such that the drilling screw extends through the first main face of the encapsulant.

(63) Example 15 is the method according to any one of Examples 11 to 14, wherein screwing the drilling screw comprises drilling the screw into the electrical connector.

(64) While the disclosure has been illustrated and described with respect to one or more implementations, alterations and/or modifications may be made to the illustrated examples without departing from the spirit and scope of the appended claims. In particular regard to the various functions performed by the above described components or structures (assemblies, devices, circuits, systems, etc.), the terms (including a reference to a “means”) used to describe such components are intended to correspond, unless otherwise indicated, to any component or structure which performs the specified function of the described component (e.g., that is functionally equivalent), even though not structurally equivalent to the disclosed structure which performs the function in the herein illustrated exemplary implementations of the disclosure.

## Claims

1. A method for fabricating a semiconductor device package, the method comprising: providing a die carrier; disposing at least one semiconductor die on the die carrier; electrically connecting an electrical connector with the semiconductor die or another electrical device; applying an encapsulation layer above the semiconductor die, the die carrier, and the electrical connector; and screwing a metallic drilling screw through the encapsulant so that an end of the metallic drilling screw contacts the electrical connector.
  2. The method according to claim 1, wherein screwing the metallic drilling screw comprises drilling the screw into the electrical connector.
  3. The method of claim 1, wherein the metallic drilling screw comprises a drilling end section, a screw section adjacent to the drilling end section, and a rod-shaped section adjacent to the screw section.
  4. The method of claim 3, wherein the metallic drilling screw further comprises a driver section, which is either located at an end of the rod-shaped section or integrated in an end of the rod-shaped section.
  5. The method of claim 1, wherein the metallic drilling screw is made by one of Cu, a Cu alloy, an Al alloy, or steel.
  6. The method of claim 1, wherein providing the die carrier comprises providing one out of a group consisting of a leadframe, a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, and an active metal brazing substrate, wherein the die carrier is part of the one.
  7. The method of claim 1, wherein providing the die carrier comprises providing a substrate, wherein the substrate comprises the die carrier and is one out of a group consisting of a leadframe, a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, and an active metal brazing substrate.
  8. The method of claim 7, wherein the substrate comprises a ceramic layer, in particular one or more of AlO, AlN, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, or a dielectric layer, in particular Si<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>.
  9. The method of claim 1, wherein the electrical connector is one out of a group consisting of a sleeve comprising an inner cavity, a metal block, and a metal layer of one of a direct copper bonded substrate, a direct aluminum bonded substrate, or an active metal brazing substrate.
  10. The method of claim 1, wherein an outer end of the metallic drilling screw extends through a first upper main face of the encapsulant opposite from the die carrier.
  11. The method of claim 1, further comprising: disposing a plurality of semiconductor dies on the die carrier, wherein at least one of the plurality of semiconductor dies comprises at least one contact pad on a main face remote from the die carrier; disposing a plurality of semiconductor diode dies on the die carrier, wherein at least one of the plurality of semiconductor diode dies is connected in parallel with at least one of the plurality of semiconductor dies; electrically connecting at least one of a plurality of electrical connectors with one of the contact pads of the semiconductor dies; and screwing at least one of a plurality of metallic drilling screws through the encapsulant and connecting the at least one of a plurality of metallic drilling screws with the electrical connector.
  12. The method of claim 11, further comprising: interconnecting the semiconductor dies and the semiconductor diode dies to form an AC/AC converter circuit, an AC/DC converter circuit, a DC/AC converter circuit, a frequency converter or a DC/DC converter circuit.
  13. The method of to claim 1, wherein the encapsulant comprises a first upper main face remote from the die carrier, and screwing the drilling screw is performed such that the drilling screw extends through the first main face of the encapsulant.
-