

Title (en)  
Monolithic ink jet printing chassis

Title (de)  
Monolithisches Tintenstrahldruckchassis

Title (fr)  
Chassis d' impression à jet d' encre monolithique

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Abstract (en)  
[origin: EP1013458A2] A printhead alignment apparatus is provided for use with a continuous ink jet printer. A single chassis maintains alignment of the droplet generator and the catcher/charge plate assembly (14). Electronic and fluidic components are attached to the single chassis, with the single chassis separating the electronic and fluid related functions of the printhead. Also, mounting features and connections of the electronic and fluid related functions are separated from mounting features of the catcher and the droplet generator. Connections for the electronic and fluid related functions are in a plane parallel to the plane of the catcher. The single chassis also accurately locates an eyelid mechanism relative to the droplet generator and the catcher/charge plate assembly (14). Finally, the single chassis has a z-axis length larger than its x-axis depth, with the z-axis length being perpendicular to a plane of the catcher. <IMAGE>

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