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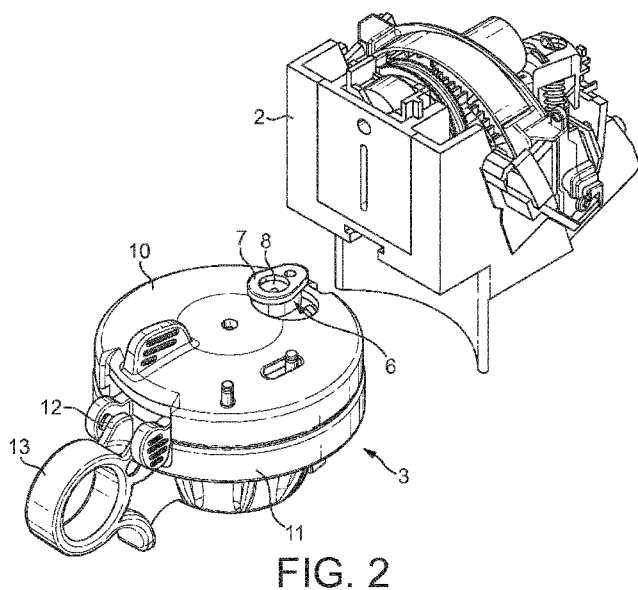
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(57) Abstract: The present invention is directed to a food preparation machine (1) for preparing a food product by mixing a fluid with an ingredient, said machine comprising: i. a base (2) having a fluid reservoir (3) and a pump able to withdraw said fluid through fluid-conducting pipes, said base optionally comprising an element suitable for heating and/or chilling said fluid, ii. a brewing unit (3) comprising connecting means (6, 7, 8) for connecting fluidly to said fluid-conducting pipes of said base (2), and further comprising fluid injection means and at least two cavity parts (10, 11) able to assemble to create a closed cavity for enclosing said ingredient, such that said brewing unit (3) can inject fluid through said ingredient under pressure for mixing with said ingredient, characterized in that said brewing unit (3) is fully detachable from said base (2), and comprises locking means (22, 23, 24) suitable for preventing disassembly of the cavity parts (10, 11) when fluid pressure within said cavity and/or said ingredient exceeds atmospheric pressure.