ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An optical information medium, comprising: a transparent substrate (1) for penetrating a recording laser beam therethrough, a recording layer (12) being formed on the transparent substrate, and a reflective layer (13) for reflecting reproducing laser beam thereupon, thereby enabling to record optically readable signals by means of the recording laser being incident upon from the transparent substrate (1). The transparent substrate has spiral-like tracking guides (3) on a surface of the transparent substrate (1), on which surface is formed said recording layer (12), and pre-pits (6) indicative of address information are formed on a land (8) defined between the tracking guides (3). Those pre-pits (6) are formed with shifting from a center of the land (8). With such the construction, the pre-pits (6) are opened to a side of the tracking guide (3) neighboring to the land (8). With this, it is possible to read out address signals from the pre-pits (6) with certainty when recording, and also to suppress errors due to mixture between the signals obtained from the pre-pits (6) indicative of the address information and the record data read out from the pits on the tracking guides (3) when reading the optically readable signals recorded.

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