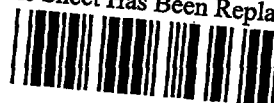


ABSTRACT

An apparatus for processing curved surfaces, in particular a pipe surface, using processing means which are guided over that surface at a distance thereabove by means of a guide to be pre-arranged on that surface,
5 wherein the guide consists of a flexible body provided with two parallel edges which extend some distance above the surface for processing, and a carrier for the processing means is provided with a follower system consisting of at least three follower members which are ordered
10 in a triangle and which co-act with the edges, this such that the carrier follows the curved surface at a fixed distance during movement along the guide, whereby processing of the surface can be performed under uniform conditions, which enhances precision and therefore quality.
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