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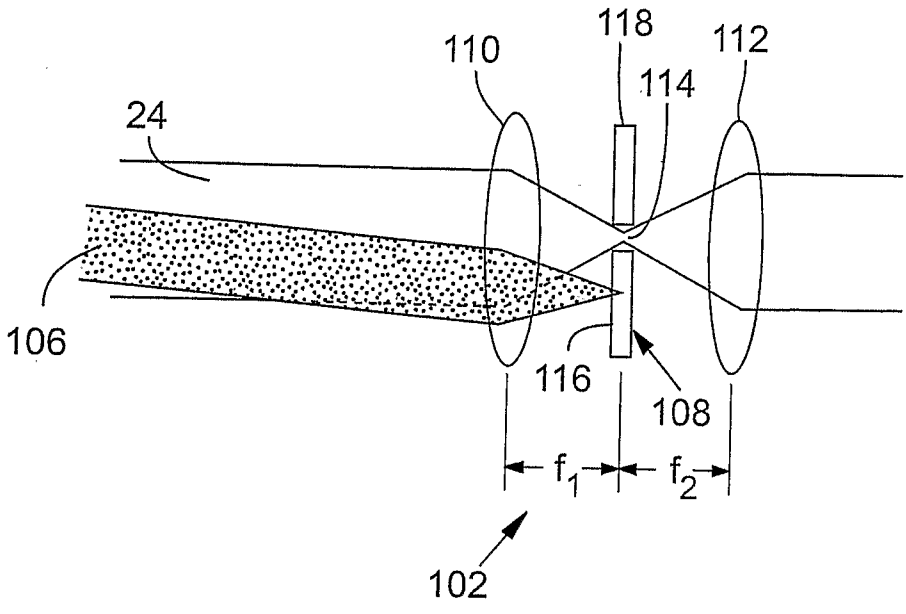
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(57) **Abstract:** A method of suppressing distortion of a working laser beam (12') directed for incidence on a target specimen (14) presented for processing by a laser link processing system (100) uses a spatial filter (102) to remove stray light-induced distortion from the working laser beam.

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