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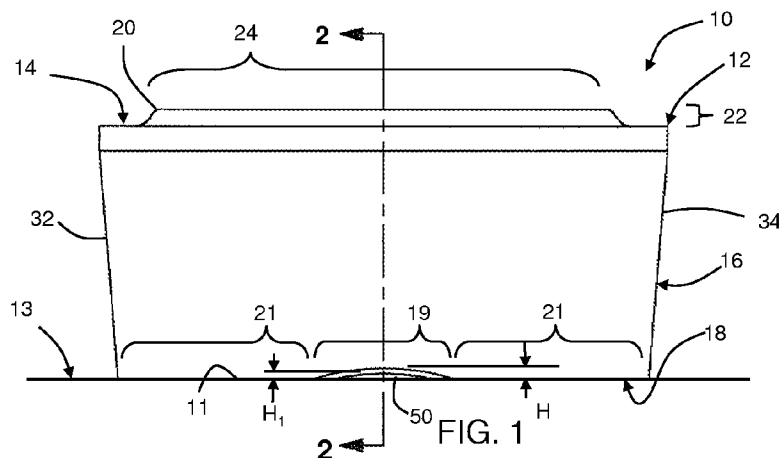
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(57) Abstract: A cutter for a downhole cutting tool is disclosed. The cutter includes a cutter body having a cutting face, a peripheral sidewall flank, and a base. The base has a recessed channel that extends inwardly from the peripheral sidewall flank and provides an inlet opening therein. A downhole cutting tool employing the cutter is also disclosed. The cutting tool includes a tool body having a cutter face. The tool also includes a cutter body having a cutting face, a peripheral sidewall flank, and a base, the base having a recessed channel that extends inwardly from the peripheral sidewall flank and provides an inlet opening therein. The tool also includes a braze joint between the base and the bonding surface.

