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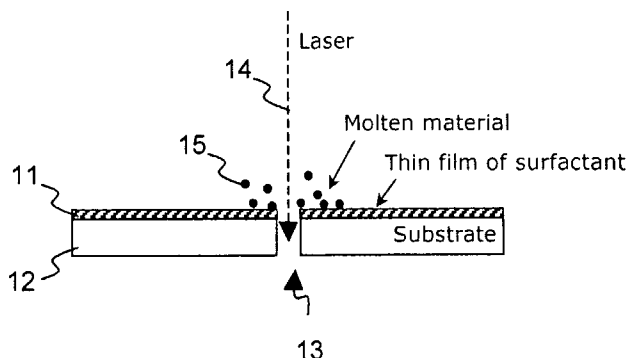
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(57) Abstract: A surface of a workpiece (12) to be laser machined is protected by a surfactant film (11) form debris (15) produced during machining with a laser beam (14) by reducing adherence to the surface of debris produced by the laser machining. The surfactant film is preferably subsequently removed together with debris (151) deposited thereon.



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