

METHOD FOR HOLDING SUBSTRATE ON SUBSTRATE HOLDER

ABSTRACT

5 A method for holding a substrate on the substrate holder is provided, and in this method,
the substrate holder includes a front frame, a rear frame, a clamper for clamping the front frame
and the rear frame; and seals configured to come into contact with the substrate and one of the
front frame and the rear frame when the front frame and the rear frame are clamped. The
method includes pressing at least one of the front frame and the rear frame toward another one to
10 press the seals against the substrate, and compressing the seals; and clamping the front frame and
the rear frame by the clamper in a state that the seals are compressed. During the seals being
compressed, a place where a force is applied to at least one of the front frame and the rear frame
is a position closer to the clamper than the seals.

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