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(54) **A machine for the continuous plating and embossing of hides and the like**

(57) The invention provides a machine (1) for the continuous plating and embossing of hides and the like, particularly suitable for processing hides tanned with the ecological system, which uses products that can be diluted in water and that require a reaction time to reticulate, in order to affix the plating and embossing action on the surface thereof, significantly greater than the times required by hides tanned with chemical solvents.

The machine (1) is characterised by the fact that the plating and embossing action of the hide (4) is performed by winding and pressing it on an operating cylinder (2) by means of a belt (3) under tension, also partially wound on said cylinder (2) and placed externally thereto.

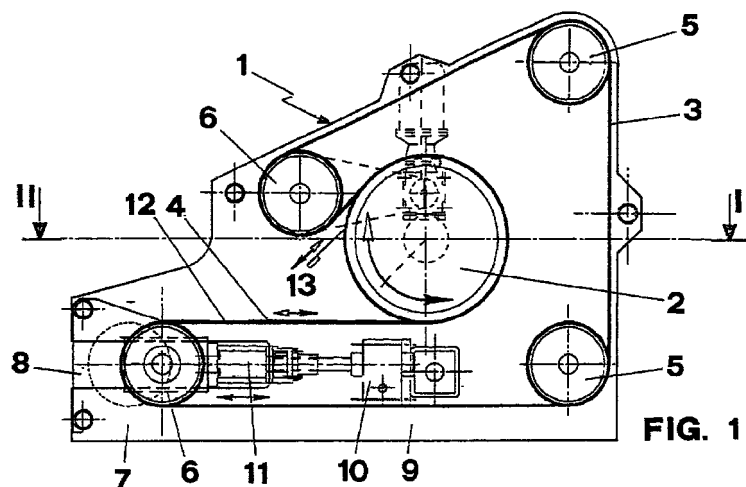


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