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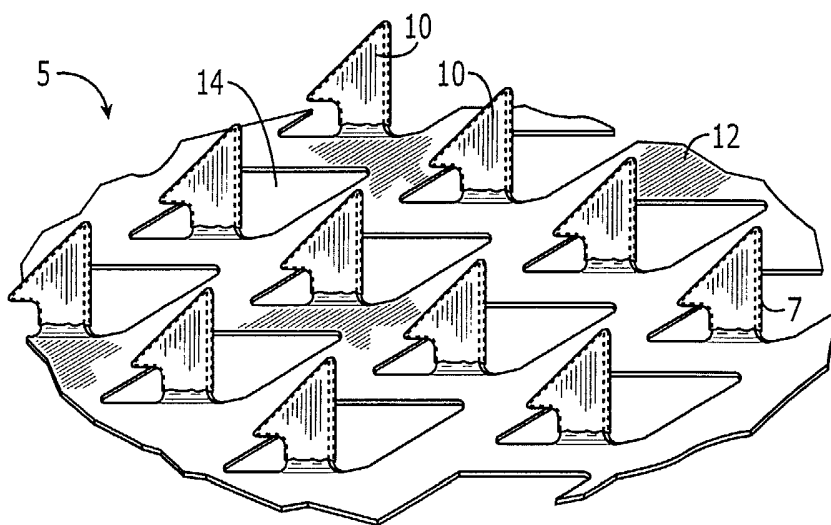
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(57) Abstract: An apparatus for transdermally delivering a biologically active agent to a patient comprising a microprojection member (5) having a plurality of microprojections (10) that are adapted to pierce the stratum corneum of the patient, the microprojection member having a biocompatible coating (16) disposed thereon that includes a biologically active agent selected from the group consisting of peptide and protein conjugates.



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