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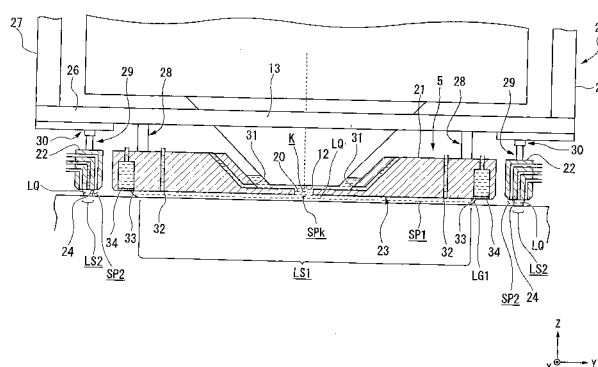
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FIG. 3



(57) Abstract: An exposure apparatus (EX) that exposes a substrate (P) with exposure light (EL) through a first liquid (LQ). The exposure apparatus includes: an optical member (13) that has an emission surface (12) which emits the exposure light; a first member (21) that is disposed at least a part of a surrounding of the optical member and forms a first liquid immersion space (LS1) of the first liquid, the first member having a first lower surface (23) to which an object can be opposed, the object being capable of moving to a position opposed to the emission surface, the first liquid immersion space being formed in at least a part of a first space (SP1) under the first lower surface and an optical path space (SPk) including an optical path (K) of the exposure light from the emission surface; and a second member (22) that is disposed outside the first member with respect to the optical path and forms a second liquid immersion space (LS2) of a second liquid (LQ), the second member having a second lower surface (24) to which the object can be opposed, the second liquid immersion space being formed in at least a second space (SP2) under the second lower surface, the second member being capable of moving in a state where the second liquid immersion space is formed separated from the first liquid immersion space.



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