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[54] **ALGINATE FABRIC, ITS USE IN WOUND DRESSINGS AND SURGICAL HAEMOSTATS AND A PROCESS FOR ITS MANUFACTURE**

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[57] **ABSTRACT**

The invention is a wound dressing prepared from alginate fibers which have good structural integrity, whereby layers are firmly joined together, e.g. by stitching or calendering at a plurality of points to produce a composite fabric.

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