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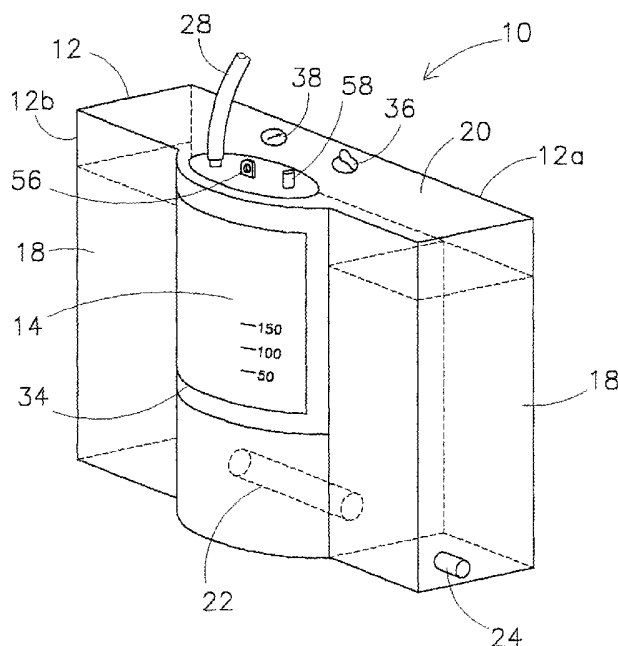
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(57) Abstract: In a wound drainage device (10) for discharging exudate originating from a wound with the aid of reduced pressure, the vacuum is created indirectly in a collection container. The collection container (16) is arranged in a vacuum chamber (14), with the space (32) between collection container (16) and vacuum chamber (14) being in communication with gas-transformer means

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Wound drainage device comprising a housing having a vacuum chamber for receiving a collection container and means for generating a reduced pressure wherein said means comprise a gas-transformer means in communication with a pressure resistant having a coupling for connection to an external gas source compartment and with the vacuum chamber.

2. claims: 18-27

The collection container (suitable for but not necessarily being part of a wound drainage device according claims 1-5) comprising a flexible container in communication with a feed and a cover.

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