CLAIMS

1. An airway for a negative pressure wound dressing, the airway comprising a first strip of material having a first surface comprising at least one groove, the airway further comprising a film arranged over the first surface of the first strip of material and adhered to the first strip of material around its longitudinal edges, wherein the at least one groove is provided with at least one projection to form at least two channels between the first strip and the film, wherein the airway further comprises a second strip of material having a first surface comprising at least one groove provided with at least one projection, the first surface of the second strip of material being arranged over the film and adhered to the film around its longitudinal edges to form at least two channels, between the second strip and the film.

2. An airway according to claim 1, wherein the at least one groove comprised in the first surface of the first strip of material is provided with a plurality of projections, such that there is provided a plurality of channels between the first strip and the film, and/or wherein the at least one groove comprised in the first surface of the second strip of material is provided with a plurality of projections, such that there is provided a plurality of channels between the second strip and the film.

3. An airway according to claim 2, wherein at least two channels between the first strip of material and the film are in fluid communication with one another, and/or wherein at least two channels between the second strip of material and the film are in fluid communication with one another.

4. An airway according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the airway comprises a first end comprising an orifice operable as an inlet or outlet for the flow of fluid, and a second end comprising an orifice operable as the other of the inlet or outlet for the flow of fluid, optionally wherein the orifice of the first end is in fluid communication with the orifice of the second end via the channels between the first strip of material and the film, or via the channels between the second strip of material and the film.

5. An airway according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the or each projection extends from a base of the or each groove.

6. An airway according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the at least two channels between the first strip of material and the film comprises at least a first channel and a second channel, wherein the first channel is not in fluid communication with the second channel, and/or wherein the at least two channels between the second strip of material and the film comprises at least a first channel and a second channel, wherein the first channel is not in fluid communication with the second channel.

7. An airway according to claim 6, wherein the first channel and the second channel, each between the first strip of material and the film, are separated by a seal between the strip and the film, and/or wherein the first channel and the second channel, each between the second strip of material and the film, are separated by a seal between the second strip and the film.

8. An airway according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the airway comprises a first end, the first end comprising a filter, an infection detection indicator and/or a dressing change indicator, optionally wherein the first end comprises a connector for connecting the airway to a pump.

9. An airway according to claim 8, wherein the filter, the infection detection indicator and/or the dressing change indicator and/or the connector is attached to the first surface of the first strip of material, alternatively wherein the filter, the infection detection indicator and/or the dressing change indicator and/or the connector is attached to a second surface of the first strip of material and is in fluid connection with the first surface via one or more apertures in the strip of material.

10. An airway according to claim 8, wherein the airway comprises a second end, the second end comprising an adhesive panel for adhering the airway to a wound dressing.

11. An airway according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the at least two channels between the first strip of material and the film are not in fluid

communication with the at least two channels between the second strip of material and the film.

12. An airway according to claim 4, wherein the orifice of the first end is a first orifice and the at least two channels between the first strip of material and the film are in fluid communication with the first orifice, further wherein the airway comprises a first orifice at a first end of the second strip, and the at least two channels between the second strip and the film are in fluid communication with the first orifice at the first end of the second strip, optionally wherein the first orifice at the first end of the first strip is separated from the first orifice at the first end of the second strip by the film.

13. An airway according to any one of the preceding claims, wherein the at least one groove comprised in the first strip of material is formed by heat stamping, laser cutting, laser engraving or thermo-forming, and/or wherein the at least one groove comprised in the second strip of material is formed by heat stamping, laser cutting, laser engraving or thermo-forming.

14. A negative pressure wound dressing comprising the airway according to any one of claims 1 to 13.

15. A method of manufacturing an airway comprising the steps:

a. Providing a first strip of material having a first surface comprising a plurality of grooves;

b. Arranging a film over the first surface of the first strip of material;

c. Adhering the film to the first surface of the first strip of material around its longitudinal edges to form a plurality of channels between the first strip and the film;

d. Providing a second strip of material having a first surface comprising a plurality of grooves;

e. Arranging the second strip of material such that the first surface of the second strip of material is arranged over the film; and

f. Adhering the first surface of the second strip of material to the film around its longitudinal edges to form a plurality of channels between the second strip of material and the film.