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Claims

1. A liquid antimicrobial composition for use in the disinfection of the skin of a human or an animal in the form of an aqueous or aqueous alcohol solution or dispersion and comprising

   a cationic, cell membrane-disrupting biocide being chlorhexidine in the form of a gluconate or of an acetate salt that is present in a concentration between 0.25% and 6.00% w/v inclusive,

   a cationic dendrimer capable of inhibiting an efflux pump mechanism of said cell membrane and being any of a generation 0 to generation 3 dendrimer or a combination of same and any or a combination of polyamidoamine (PAMAM) dendrimers, and

   a non-ionic surfactant that is present at a concentration at least 10% below its critical micelle concentration, wherein the surfactant is a poloxamer tri block copolymer surfactant,

   wherein non-medical use is excluded.

2. A composition for use according to Claim 1, wherein the dendrimer comprises between 0.01% w/v and 2% w/v inclusive of the composition.

3. A composition for use according to Claims 1 to 2, wherein the surfactant has a hydrophilic-lipophilic balance (HLB) with a value between 10 and 17 inclusive.

4. A composition for use according to any of Claims 1 to 3, wherein the surfactant comprises between 0.05% w/v and to 5.00% w/v inclusive of the composition.

5. A composition for use according to any of Claims 1 to 4, additionally comprising a chelating agent that comprises between 0.05% w/v and 1.00% w/v inclusive of the composition.

6. A composition for use according to Claim 5, wherein the chelating agent comprises any or a combination of etidronic acid (1-hydroxyethane 1,1-diphosphonic acid (HEDP)), ethylene diamine, di or tetra acetate, a phosphonate and a nitriloacetate.

7. A composition for use according to any of Claims 1 to 6, additionally comprising an essential oil or essential oil component in combination with a

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solvent for same, wherein the essential oil or essential oil component comprises between 0.01% w/v and 1.00% w/v inclusive of the composition.

8. A composition for use according to Claim 7, wherein the solvent is ethanol or polyethylene glycol and the essential oil or essential oil component comprises any or a combination of berberine, helichrysum italicum, geraniol, a pinene, alpha zingiberine, a terpene and tea tree oil.