CLAIMS

1. Use of killed *Enterococcus faecalis EF 2001 strain* in the manufacture of a parenteral pharmaceutical preparation for inhibiting the growth of *Clostridioides difficile.*

2. A bactericide, disinfectant, antibacterial agent, sanitizer or detergent for external use in inhibiting the growth of *Clostridioides difficile*, comprising killed *Enterococcus faecalis EF 2001 strain.*

3. A medicine for external use, comprising killed *Enterococcus faecalis EF 2001 strain.*

4. A hygiene product comprising killed *Enterococcus faecalis EF 2001 strain.*

5. Use of a parenteral pharmaceutical preparation comprising killed *Enterococcus faecalis EF 2001 strain* in the manufacture of a medicament for the prevention and/or treatment of *Clostridioides difficile* infection.