

ABSTRACT

The objective of the present invention is to provide topical composition having a much higher whitening effect. This topical composition, characterized by comprising (A) ascorbic acid and/or a derivative thereof, (B) an extract from a plant of the Magnolia genus of the Magnoliaceae family, (C) a prune extract, and (D) a cherry tree leaf extract, improves melanin generation suppressing effects dramatically, thereby exhibiting an all the more improved whitening effect.