CLAIMS

1. Use of ~~a bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ *Enterococcus faecalis* ~~that is~~ killed in the manufacture of a medicament for ~~the prophylactic and/or therapeutic treatment of~~ reducing incidence of and/or treating *Clostridium difficile* infection.

~~2. The use of claim 1, wherein the bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus* is a Lactococcus.~~

~~3. The use of claim 2, wherein the Lactococcus is *Enterococcus fecalis*.~~

2~~4~~. The use of claim ~~3~~1, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis ~~fecalis~~* is EF-2001 strain.

~~5. The use of any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus* is killed.~~

3~~6~~. The use of any one of claims 1 to ~~5~~2, wherein the ~~bacterium belonging to the genus~~ *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~*Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered.

4~~7~~. The use of claim 3~~6~~, wherein the ~~bacterium belonging to the genus~~ *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~*Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered in an amount of 1×10^8 - 1×10^{11} CFU/kg body weight per dose.

5~~8~~. The use of claim 4~~7~~, ~~wherein the bacterium belonging to the genus~~ *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~*Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered one or more times per day in an amount of 1×10^8 - 1×10^{11} CFU/kg body weight per dose.

6~~9~~. The use of claim 5~~8~~, wherein the ~~bacterium belonging to the genus~~ *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~*Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered one to five times per day in an amount of 1×10^8 - 1×10^{11} CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~10~~7. The use of claim 3~~6~~, wherein the bacterium belonging to the *Enterococcus faecalis* that

is killed ~~genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered in an amount of 1×10^9 - 5×10^{10} CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~11~~8. The use of claim ~~10~~7, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered one or more times per day in an amount of 1×10^9 - 5×10^{10} CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~12~~9. The use of claim ~~11~~8, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered one to five times per day in an amount of 1×10^9 - 5×10^{10} CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~13~~10. The use of claim ~~6~~3, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered in an amount of 1.2×10^{10} or more CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~14~~11. The use of claim ~~13~~10, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed~~bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered one or more times per day in an amount of 1.2×10^{10} or more CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~15~~12. The use of claim ~~14~~11, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed ~~bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered one to five times per day in an amount of 1.2×10^{10} or more CFU/kg body weight per dose.

~~16~~13. The use of any one of claims ~~6~~3 to ~~15~~12, wherein the *Enterococcus faecalis* that is killed~~bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*~~ is to be orally administered for seven or more days.

~~17~~14. The use of any one of claims 1 to ~~16~~13, which is used for prevention of *Clostridium difficile* infection.

~~18~~15. The use of any one of claims 1 to ~~16~~13, which is used for treatment of *Clostridium difficile* infection.

~~19. A medicine for prevention and/or treatment of *Clostridium difficile* infection, comprising a bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*.~~

~~20. A food for prevention and/or treatment of *Clostridium difficile* infection, comprising a bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus*.~~

~~21. A bacterium belonging to the genus *Enterococcus* for use in a method of preventing and/or treating *Clostridium difficile* infection.~~