The present inventors presumed that valine among the branched-chain amino acids, i.e., valine, leucine and isoleucine, may have an antagonistic action (inhibitory action) against the albumin production promotive effect of leucine and isoleucine in human hepatocytes, and consequently found that a composition containing leucine and/or isoleucine except valine as an active ingredient has a particularly high albumin production promotive effect in the level of human hepatocytes.

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As a result, the present disclosure~~invention made~~ to solve the above problems is directed to

a composition for ameliorating hypoalbuminemia containing a branched-chain amino acid as an active ingredient, wherein

the composition contains leucine and/or isoleucine and does not contain valine as the active ingredient.

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In an aspect, there is provided a formulation for ameliorating hypoalbuminemia, which contains leucine and isoleucine and does not contain valine as an active ingredient.

[0011]

Since the composition for ameliorating hypoalbuminemia does not substantially contain valine, the antagonistic action of valine against the albumin production promotive effect of other active ingredients, i.e. leucine and/or isoleucine, is eliminated. As a result, other active ingredients except valine can effectively exert a high albumin production promotive effect. Furthermore, since the composition for ameliorating hypoalbuminemia does not substantially contain valine as an active ingredient, the protein load can be reduced just by the amount of valine, with the result that side effects can be reduced and safety can be