Claims:

1. Use of a composition comprising (i) 0.2 to 1.8% w/w of at least one salt having a pKa lower than 4 selected from the group consisting of calcium gluconate, calcium lactate, and combination thereof, (ii) from 1 to 19% w/w starch and (iii) from 0.5% to 2% w/w pectin in the manufacture of a medicament for inhibiting growth of bacteria in the gastrointestinal tract of a subject, wherein the composition has a buffer strength of from 9 to 22, wherein buffer strength means the volume of 0.1 M HCl required to decrease the pH of a 50 mL volume of a liquid composition from a starting pH to a pH of 3, and wherein the bacteria is selected from the group consisting of Enteropathogenic *E. coli* (EPEC), Enteroaggregative *E. coli* (EAEC), *Cronobacter sakazakii,* and combinations thereof.

2. The use according to claim 1, wherein the composition is an infant formula.

3. The use according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises a lipid source and a carbohydrate source.

4. The use according to claim 1, wherein the composition comprises a protein source.

5. The use according to claim 4, wherein the composition comprises a protein source having a whey to casein ratio of from 55:45 to 85:15.

6. The use according to claim 4, wherein the composition comprises a protein source having a whey to casein ratio of from 60:40 to 80:20.

7. The use according to claim 4, wherein the composition comprises a protein source having a whey to casein ratio selected from the group consisting of 60:40, 70:30 and 80:20.

8. The use according to claim 1, wherein the composition further comprises at least one prebiotic.

9. The use according to claim 8, wherein the prebiotic composition comprises