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1. Use of a paraffinic gasoil in a fuel composition for reducing microbial growth, wherein the paraffinic gasoil is selected from hydrotreated vegetable oil, Fischer-Tropsch derived base fuels, and mixtures thereof and wherein the level of paraffinic gasoil is from 5% v/v to 100% v/v based on the total fuel composition.

2. Use according to Claim 1 wherein the paraffinic gasoil is a Fischer-Tropsch derived base fuel.

3. Use according to Claim 1 or 2 wherein the fuel composition is selected from a diesel fuel composition, a heating oil composition, an aviation fuel composition, and a marine fuel composition.

4. Use according to any of Claims 1 to 3 wherein the fuel composition is a diesel fuel composition.

5. Use according to Claim 4 wherein the diesel fuel composition comprises a petroleum derived diesel base fuel.

6. Use according to Claim 4 or 5 wherein the diesel fuel composition comprises a biodiesel component, preferably a fatty acid alkyl ester.