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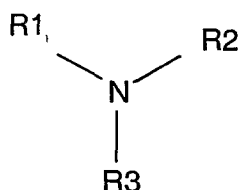
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(57) Abstract: A multi-purpose contact lens care solution having high activity against fungi and certain bacteria comprising, in liquid aqueous medium, an alkylamine having the following Formula (I), R1 R2 I R3 where R1 is a C₁₃₋₁₇ alkylamine, and R2 and R3 are each independently H or -CH₃, and a non-ionic surfactant. The solution may optionally also include additional

antimicrobial components, a buffer component, a viscosity inducing component, a surfactant, taurine, propylene glycol and/or a tonicity component. This solution additionally prevents losses in ocular tissue membrane integrity during contact lens wear.

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