CLAIMS

1. A colostomy or ileostomy bag cleaning system including:

a support defining a longitudinal axis;

a base located at or near a first axial end of the support; and

a conduit that:

is mounted to the support,

is in fluid communication with an inlet at one end of the conduit, and

extends to a ring which defines an outlet from the conduit within the ring, the ring being sealed to the conduit by a seal,

wherein the inlet is configured to receive, in use, fluid under pressure; and wherein the ring has a flange that is, in use, connectable to a corresponding connecting ring on a colostomy or ileostomy bag.

2. A system according to claim 1, wherein the support separates the ring from the base by between 50cm and 80cm.

3. A system according to claim 1, wherein the support separates the ring from the base by between 50cm and 60cm.

4. A system according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein when the base is, in use, supported on a horizontal, level floor, the longitudinal axis of the support deviates from the vertical by no more than 20 degrees.

5. A system according to any one of claims 1-3, wherein when the base is, in use, supported on a horizontal, level floor, the longitudinal axis of the support deviates from the vertical by no more than 10 degrees.

6. A system according to any one of claims 1-5, wherein a connector is associated with the inlet for connecting a flexible hose to the inlet.

7. A system according to any one of claims 1-6, wherein a transverse arm extends from the support at or near the second axial end of the support.

8. A system according to claim 7, wherein the transverse arm extends from the support at an angle between 70 degrees and 110 degrees.

9. A system according to any one of claims 7-8, wherein the transverse arm is between 7cm and 18cm in length.

10. A system according to any one of claims 7-8, wherein the transverse arm is between 7cm and 14cm in length.

11. A system according to any one of claims 7-10, wherein the ring with flange is connected to the transverse arm at or near the free end of the transverse arm.

12. A system according to any one of claims 7-11, wherein the conduit extends along the transverse arm.

13. A system according to any one of claims 7-12, wherein the transverse arm is the conduit.

14. A system according to any one of claims 1-13, further including a valve for regulating flow of fluid along the conduit.

15. A system according to any one of claims 1-14, further including a first reservoir for storing soap or detergent, which reservoir is in fluid communication with the conduit.

16. A system according to any one of claims 1-15, wherein the content of the first reservoir is, in use, discharged into the conduit by the Venturi effect.

17. A system according to any one of claims 1-16, further including a second reservoir that is charged by fluid emanating from the inlet, and that discharges fluid into the conduit.

18. A system according to claim 17, wherein the second reservoir is, in use, elevated above the conduit to provide fluid under pressure to the conduit.

19. A system according to any one of claims 1-18, wherein the diameter of the ring is between 45mm and 60mm.

20. A system according to any one of claims 1-19, wherein the support is right circular cylindrical.