CLAIMS

[Claim 1]

A mineral-containing aqueous composition for oral ingestion, having a potassium ion concentration of 20 ppm or more.

[Claim 2]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to claim 1, having a potassium ion concentration of 600 ppm or less.

[Claim 3]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the potassium ion concentration of the mineral-containing aqueous composition is 50 ppm to 200 ppm.

[Claim 4]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the amount of chloride ions contained in the mineral-containing aqueous composition is 50% or less of the potassium ion concentration.

[Claim 5]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the amount of calcium ions contained in the mineral-containing aqueous composition is 30% or less of the potassium ion concentration.

[Claim 6]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the amount of magnesium ions contained in the mineral-containing aqueous composition is 15% or less of the potassium ion concentration.

[Claim 7]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the amount of sodium ions contained in the mineral-containing aqueous composition is 10 to 50% of the potassium ion concentration.

[Claim 8]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 7, having a pH of 7.5 to 10.5.

[Claim 9]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 8, having a buffer capacity.

[Claim 10]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 9, having a buffer capacity of 1.5 or more, wherein the buffer capacity is defined as a ratio (B)/(A), assuming that the amount of 0.1 M hydrochloric acid solution with which 100 g of a sodium hydroxide solution adjusted to a pH of 9.2 is titrated from a pH of 9.2 to a pH of 3.0 is (A) mL, and that the amount of 0.1 M hydrochloric acid solution with which the mineral-containing aqueous composition is titrated from a pH of 9.2 to a pH of 3.0 is (B) mL.

[Claim 11]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 10, having a total organic carbon (TOC) of 3.0 mg/l or less.

[Claim 12]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 11, comprising: a liquid extract from activated carbon of a plant-derived raw material; or a liquid concentrate of the liquid extract.

[Claim 13]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to claim 12, wherein the plant-derived raw material is selected from the following: fruit shells of coconut palms, palms, almonds, walnuts, or plums; woods selected from sawdust, charcoal, resins, and lignin; sawdust ash; bamboos; food residues selected from bagasse, chaff, coffee beans, and molasses; and combinations of these raw materials.

[Claim 14]

The mineral-containing aqueous composition according to any one of claims 1 to 13, for use in the prevention or improvement of acidification in an organism.