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(57) Abstract: A composition comprising coated particles of a salt of pyrithione selected from the group consisting of monovalent and polyvalent pyrithione salts, and combinations thereof, partially or fully coated with a lipophilic agent. The composition is characterized by enhanced anti-fungal and anti-dandruff efficacy in shampoos. Also disclosed is a personal care composition, preferably a shampoo, containing a topical carrier and coated particles of a salt of pyrithione selected from the group consisting of monovalent and polyvalent pyrithione salts, and combinations thereof, partially or fully coated with a lipophilic agent.

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