Claims:

1. A deodorant composition obtainable by providing a mixture of (a) a polyphenol compound or a plant extract containing a polyphenol compound and (b) a basic substance, and by adding thereto (c) a metal salt, said basic substance (b) being mixed in an amount producing a pH in the range of 7 to 13 when said deodorant composition is dissolved in water.

2. The deodorant composition according to claim 1, wherein said polyphenol compound or said plant extract containing a polyphenol compound is a granulated substance that contains said polyphenol compound or said plant extract.

3. The deodorant composition according to claim 1 or 2, which further comprises a polyphenol compound oxidase.

4. The deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 3, which further comprises a silicon dioxide.

5. The deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the basic substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of brine, lye and bleach.

6. The deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the metal salt is bittern.

7. A method for deodorizing a malodor, which comprises applying the deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6 to a malodor component.

8. Use of the deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6 for deodorizing a malodor.

Claims:

1. A deodorant composition obtainable by providing a mixture of (a) a polyphenol compound or and (b) being mixed in an amount producing a pH in the range of 7 to 13 when said deodorant composition is dissolved in water, wherein the polyphenol compound is chlorogenic acid.

2. The deodorant composition according to claim 1, wherein said polyphenol compound is a granulated substance that contains said polyphenol compound or said plant extract.

3. The deodorant composition according to claim 1 or 2, which further comprises a polyphenol compound oxidase.

4. The deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 3, which further comprises silicon dioxide.

5. The deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 4, wherein the basic substance is at least one member selected from the group consisting of brine, lye and bleach.

6. The deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 5, wherein the metal salt is bittern.

7. A method for deodorizing a malodor, which comprises applying the deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6 to a malodor component.

8. Use of the deodorant composition according to any one of claims 1 to 6 for deodorizing a malodor.