CLAIMS

1. A use of arginine or a salt thereof for stabilising chlorhexidine or a salt thereof in a liquid oral care composition that is a mouthwash, mouthrinse or a spray.

2. The use according to claim 1, wherein the liquid oral care composition is a mouthwash, mouthrinse or a spray comprising:

   - 0.005 to 1% w/w chlorhexidine or a salt thereof;
   - arginine or a salt thereof; and
   - a zinc salt.

3. The use according to claim 2, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises 0.1 to 1% w/w arginine or a salt thereof.

4. The use according to claim 2 or 3, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises 0.2 to 0.8% w/w arginine or a salt thereof.

5. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 4, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises 0.005 to 0.1% w/w chlorhexidine or a salt thereof.

6. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 5, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises 0.02 to 0.04% w/w chlorhexidine or a salt thereof.

7. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 6, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises chlorhexidine in the form of a salt which is chlorhexidine diacetate, chlorhexidine dihydrochloride or chlorhexidine digluconate, or mixtures thereof, for example comprising chlorhexidine in the form of a salt which is chlorhexidine diacetate.

8. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 7, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises 0.1 to 1% w/w zinc salt, for example 0.2 to 0.5% w/w zinc salt.

9. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 8, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises a zinc salt which is zinc lactate, zinc chloride, zinc citrate, zinc acetate, zinc borate, zinc butyrate, zinc carbonate, zinc formate, zinc gluconate, zinc glycerate, zinc glycolate, zinc phosphate, zinc picolinate, zinc proprionate, zinc salicylate, zinc silicate, zinc stearate, zinc tartrate, zinc undecylenate, zinc phosphate, zinc ricinoleate, zinc nitrate, or zinc sulfate or mixtures thereof, for example comprising a zinc salt which is zinc acetate.

10. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 9, wherein the liquid oral care composition is a mouthwash or a mouthrinse.

11. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 9, wherein the liquid oral care composition is a spray.

12. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 11, wherein the liquid oral care composition is an aqueous composition.

13. The use according to claim 12, wherein the aqueous composition has a pH of from 4 to 7, for example from 5 to 6.

14. The use according to any one of claims 2 to 13, wherein the liquid oral care composition comprises:

- 0.01-0.1% w/w of an antiplaque agent; and/or
- 1-10% w/w of a humectant; and/or
- 0.01-1% w/w of a masking agent; and/or
- 0.1-10% w/w of an emulsifying agent; and/or
- 0.1-1% w/w of a buffering agent; and/or
- 0.1-1% w/w of a stabilising agent.