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(57) Abstract: Hair care compositions, methods, and articles of commerce that can increase the appearance of thicker and fuller hair. Such compositions can be applied to any areas where a thicker and fuller hair appearance is desired, such as the scalp or face. The present invention also relates to methods of marketing such compositions.

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1. claims: 1-3

A hair composition comprising a xanthine compound, a vitamin B3 compound and a panthenol compound and its use for increasing hair shaft diameter to give the appearance of thicker and fuller hair.

2. claim: 4

A method for increasing hair shaft diameter to give the appearance of thicker and fuller hair comprising topically applying a hair care composition comprising a safe and effective amount of an AQP3 up-regulator to a region where thicker and fuller hair is desired.

3. claims: 5-6

A method for increasing hair shaft diameter to give the appearance of thicker and fuller hair comprising topically applying a hair care composition comprising a safe and effective amount of a hair growth inhibitor to a region where thicker and fuller hair is desired.

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