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hereby apply for the grant of a standard patent for an invention entitled:

HAIR SETTING COMPOSITION.

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1. A hair setting composition comprising a derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex which is soluble in non-hydrogen bonded solvents, an organic or aqueous organic solvent, and at least 20% by weight of a non hydrogen-bonded cosolvent, where said derivative is dissolved in a mixture of the solvent and the cosolvent.

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Complete Specification for the invention entitled:  
HAIR SETTING COMPOSITION.

The following statement is a full description of this invention  
including the best method of performing it known to me:-

## HAIR SETTING COMPOSITION

### FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to a hair setting  
5 composition, particularly to a hair setting composition  
containing a derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer  
complex (PAGGPC) in solution in a mixture of alcoholic or  
aqueous/alcoholic solvent and non hydrogen-bonded  
cosolvent.

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### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Hair setting products are used to retain the hair  
in a particular style. These products may be in the form  
of gels, lotions, mousses or sprays and will normally  
contain film-forming materials as the setting agent.

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Particularly effective setting agents are the  
water-soluble salts of PAGGPC referred to in our earlier  
patent application case J3115, filed in EPO as 90306499.6.

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PAGGPC may be obtained by treating the mycelia of certain  
fungal species, such as Aspergillus niger, with strong  
alkali, as described in for example GB-A-2026516  
(Muzzarelli) or US-A-4806474 (Miles). Aspergillus niger is  
a common waste product in industrial fermentation  
processes, for example in the production of citric acid.

Polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex has not

been fully characterised, but NMR studies have shown that it is distinct in character from chitosan, and physical comparisons show that films formed by such a complex and by chitosan are different from each other. Polyaminoglucose 5 glycan polymer complex is commercially available, for example as RIOSAN (Trademark) from Meyhall.

In hairspray and mousse preparations a very important criterion for the consumer is that the hairspray is not too wet. The main solvent in hairsprays is 10 generally alcohol, or an aqueous/alcoholic mixture, which does not evaporate quickly enough to avoid imparting a wet feel to the hair. This may be avoided by the use of a more volatile, apolar cosolvent which results in a spray droplet from which most of the solvent evaporates before striking 15 the hair fibre.

The water-soluble salts of PAGGPC referred to above are insoluble in non hydrogen-bonded solvents, and hair setting compositions containing these salts as setting agents are therefore limited in the amount of volatile 20 cosolvent which may be used. Hairsprays of this type are therefore felt to be wet in use.

We have found that certain derivatives of PAGGPC may be incorporated into hairsprays. These derivatives must be soluble in the non hydrogen-bonded cosolvents, so 25 that there is no need to restrict the amount of cosolvent used, and the resulting hair setting compositions are found not to give a wet feeling in use.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Accordingly the invention provides a hair setting composition comprising a derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex, an organic or aqueous/organic solvent, and a non hydrogen-bonded cosolvent, said derivative being soluble in a mixture of the solvent and the cosolvent.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

PAGGPC may be obtained by treating the mycelia of for example, Aspergillus niger with concentrated alkali to remove impurities and to partially deacetylate the polymer complex. PAGGPC is available for example as RIOSAN which is partially deacetylated.

Derivatives of PAGGPC

The derivatives of PAGGPC which are used as the film-forming material in the hair setting compositions of the invention preferably comprise the reaction products of PAGGPC with an electrophile.

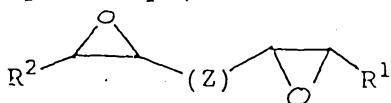
The electrophile is suitably chosen from epoxide,  $C_{1-30}$  alkyl halide, polyethylene glycol halide,  $C_{1-30}$  acyl halide, acid anhydride,  $C_{1-30}$  alkyl ester, aryl ester,  $C_{1-30}$  aliphatic aldehyde,  $C_{2-32}$  epoxide, and  $C_{5-74}$  bis-epoxide.

Preferred example of epoxides which may be used as the electrophile include -



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R where R is H,  $C_{1-20}$  saturated or unsaturated alkyl,  $C_{2-30}$  ethoxylated alkyl, saturated or unsaturated 20 cycloalkyl, or



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where  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$  may be the same or different and are H, or  $C_{1-20}$  alkyl, Z is aryl,  $C_{1-30}$  saturated or unsaturated alkyl or  $C_{2-30}$  ethoxylated alkyl, or derivatives thereof.



Examples of suitable halides include 1-bromoethane, 1-bromohexane, 1-chlorododecane, chloropolyethylene glycol, ethanoyl chloride, propionyl chloride, benzoyl chloride and stearoyl chloride.

5 Suitable acid anhydrides include acetic, succinic, maleic, phthalic and citric anhydride, and suitable esters are ethyl ethanoate, ethyl benzoate and benzoyl benzoate.

10 The hair setting composition of the invention preferably comprises from 0.01 to 20% by weight of the derivative of PAGGPC and most preferably from 0.1 to 5% by weight.

15 PAGGPC will normally contain free hydroxyl groups and some acetylated amine groups. Under suitable conditions the electrophile, from those outlined above, will add to the hydroxyl group or groups. However, reaction is often easier, and preferable, if the PAGGPC is deacetylated by treating with strong alkali. The electrophile, under suitable conditions, will then react 20 with both the free amine and the hydroxyl groups, although the electrophile will preferentially attack the amine group(s).

25 It should be noted that for certain electrophiles eg. 1-bromododecane, only a low level of substitution is required to give a derivative of PAGGPC which is soluble in non hydrogen-bonded cosolvents. Higher levels of substitution give rise to derivatives which are not soluble

in non hydrogen-bonded cosolvents. Such derivatives would not be suitable for use in the composition of the invention since they would be insoluble in the mixture of organic or aqueous/organic solvent and non hydrogen-bonded 5 cosolvent. The person skilled in the art will readily ascertain the required degree of substitution necessary for any given electrophile.

The use of derivatives having higher levels of substitution is the subject of our copending application 10 J.3119 having the same date as this application.

#### Solvent

The hairspray composition of the invention also comprises an organic solvent or an aqueous organic solvent.

Suitable solvents for use in the compositions of 15 the invention include ethanol, isopropanol, methylene chloride, methoxyethanol, 2-ethoxyethanol, and mixtures thereof with water. The composition may comprise more than one such solvent.

The composition will usually comprise from 5 to 20 90% by weight of solvent and when the composition is in the form of a hairspray in aerosol form, the solvent will preferably form from 20 to 80% by weight of the composition.

#### Non hydrogen-bonded cosolvent

25 The composition of the invention also comprises a

non hydrogen-bonded cosolvent. The cosolvent is of a type which quickly evaporates in use, leaving a spray droplet which feels dry. Chlorofluorocarbons, fluorocarbons, hydrocarbons and dimethyl ether and mixtures thereof are 5 particularly suitable cosolvents. Especially suitable are trichlorofluoromethane, dichlorodifluoromethane, 1,2-dichlorotetrafluoroethane, chlorodifluoromethane, 1-chloro,1,1-difluoromethane, 1,1-difluoroethane, butane or propane. Further examples of non hydrogen-bonded solvents 10 may be found in Table II at pages C-696 to C-698 of the Handbook of Chemistry and Physics, 1983-84, 64th Edition, Ed. Robert C Weast, CRC Press, parts A (nonpolar solvents) and B (moderately polar solvents).

15 The cosolvent is generally present in the composition in an amount of from 5 to 90% by weight, preferably 20 to 80% by weight.

20 The extent of the dry feeling experienced by the user will depend on the balance between the solvent and the cosolvent used in the composition. Other factors, such as cost, flammability and desired discharge rate must also be taken in to account.

25 Those skilled in the art will easily ascertain the appropriate balance of solvent and cosolvent for the derivative of PAGGPC. For example, when the solvent is ethanol and the cosolvent is a fluorocarbon, a mixture of ethanol and fluorocarbon in a ratio of 30:70 by weight will give an acceptable, safe spray.

When the cosolvent is hydrocarbon, the

flammability of the spray obtained when the product is in the form of a hairspray must also be taken into account.

In general, the level of hydrocarbon in an ethanol/hydrocarbon system should be below 50% by weight of 5 the ethanol/hydrocarbon mixture. The level of flammability may be reduced by using a water/ethanol mixture as solvent.

When dimethylether (DME) is used as cosolvent, it may suitably be used in amounts of up to 90% by weight of the solvent/DME mixture.

10 The ratio of solvent to cosolvent generally lies between 1:9 and 9:1 by weight.

#### Other ingredients

The composition of the invention may also include other ingredients such as perfume; alcohol denaturants, for 15 example benzyl diethyl,2,6 -xylyl carbamoyl methyl ammonium benzoate and sucrose octacetate; conditioning agents such as lanolin derivative; alkyl quaternary ammonium compounds such as cetyl trimethyl ammonium bromide; volatile silicones; plasticisers, such as silicone 20 oils or silicone glycol; drag reducing agents such as hydroxypropylcelluloses eg. the range available from Hercules Inc under their trade mark. Klucel or high molecular weight polymers such as PVP-K90 (polyvinyl pyrrolidone having a K value of 90); high molecular weight 25 polymers, such as cationic cellulose resins; other film forming polymers such as polymers of vinyl pyrrolidone and/or vinyl acetate; pH modifiers such as sodium

hydroxide, 2 amino-2-methyl-1-propanol, triethanolamine, citric acid, or hydrochloric acid; ingredients to improve combing out such as polydimethyl siloxane-polyoxyalkylene copolymers; corrosion inhibitors, such as triethanolamine 5 salt of alkyenyl amberacide anhydride or disodium dodecyl sulphosucconate; surfactants such as lauryl dimethyl amine oxide.

Product form

The composition of the invention may be packed in 10 aerosol cans or aerosol PVA packs, or may be in the form of mechanical pumps such as squeeze sprays or pump sprays.

In aerosol hairspray or mousse form, where the cosolvent does not act as a propellant in use, a propellant gas such as air, nitrogen or carbon dioxide may be added.

15 The gas may be situated in the same compartment as the product to be dispensed or in a separate compartment.

The invention is further illustrated by the following Examples.

EXAMPLESPreparation of PAGGPC derivatives5 Preparation Example A

PAGGPC was N-propoxylated by heating deacetylated PAGGPC in a sealed tube (or an autoclave) with propylene oxide in an aqueous ethanol solvent for 12 hours at 100°C, 10 to give N-hydroxypropyl PAGGPC (A).

Preparation Example B

The N-hydroxypropyl PAGGPC derivative obtained in Preparation Example A above was further functionalised by 15 heating at between 60 and 80°C in an autoclave with 1-bromopropane in acetone in the presence of NaOH for 18 hours. O-propyl,N-hydroxypropyl PAGGPC (B) was obtained.

20 Preparation Example C

Crude, acetylated PAGGPC was heated in dimethyl formamide (DMF) at 100°C for 15 hours in the presence of 1-bromoocetane to give O-octyl PAGGPC (C).

25 Preparation Example D

Deacetylated PAGGPC was heated in DMF with 1-bromohexane at 80°C for 15 hours to give N-hexyl PAGGPC 30 (D).

Preparation Example E

Deacetylated PAGGPC was reacted with succinic anhydride in DMF which contained a small amount of 35

triethylamine, for 18 hours at 85°C, to give N-succinyl PAGGPC (E).

Preparation Example F

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PAGGPC was reacted with stearoyl chloride in DMF in the presence of pyridine to give O-stearoyl PAGGPC (F).

10 In the following examples of hair setting compositions which illustrate the invention, all quantities are % by weight.

	<u>EXAMPLE</u>	1	2	3
	PAGGPC (A)	3.5	3.0	1.8
15	Water	17.5	10.0	-
	DME	55.0	45.0	-
	CFC 11/12 <sup>1</sup> (65:35)	-	-	60.0
	Perfume	0.13	0.13	0.13
	Sucrose octacetate	0.03	0.06	0.06
20	Klucel HF	0.06	0.06	-
	Silicone glycol	0.03	0.02	-
	Ethanol	to 100	100	100

1 - CFC 11/12 (65:35) is a mixture of  
25 65% by weight trichlorofluoromethane and  
35% by weight dichlorodifluoromethane.

<u>EXAMPLE</u>		4	5	6
	PAGGPC (B)	2.0	1.5	3.0
5	DME	40	35	35
	Water	20	20	20
	Isopropanol	10	15	-
	Sucrose octacetate	0.1	0.1	0.1
	Perfume	0.2	0.2	0.2
10	Klucel HF	0.05	0.04	0.04
	Silicone glycol	0.03	0.03	0.04
	Ethanol	to 100	100	100

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<u>EXAMPLE</u>		7	8	9
	PAGGPC (C)	3.0	3.0	2.0
	CFC F114 <sup>2</sup>	50	-	-
20	Hydrocarbon (CAP 30)	-	45	30
	Methylene chloride	-	2	5
	Water	-	-	10
	Compressed air	-	-	0.5
	Isopropanol	10	15	10
25	Sucrose octaacetate	0.1	0.1	0.1
	Perfume	0.2	0.2	0.2
	PVP-K90	0.04	0.05	0.04
	Ethanol	to 100	100	100

30 2 - CFC F114 is 1,2-dichlorotetrafluoroethane

<u>EXAMPLE</u>		10	11	12
	PAGGPC (D)	1.5	1.0	3.0
5	DME	40	40	45
	Water	15	15	20
	Isopropanol	20	20	20
	Sucrose octacetate	0.1	0.1	0.1
	Perfume	0.2	0.2	0.2
10	Klucel HF	0.06	0.03	0.03
	Silicone glycol	0.05	0.02	0.02
	Ethanol	to 100	100	100

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<u>EXAMPLE</u>		13	14	15
	PAGGPC (E)	1.5	1.5	3.0
20	CFC F114	35	40	40
	Methylene chloride	4	4	2
	Nitrogen	0.5	-	0.1
	Carbon dioxide	-	4.5	-
	Isopropanol	15	5	-
25	Perfume	0.2	0.2	0.2
	PVP-K90	0.04	0.05	0.05
	Ethanol	to 100	100	100

EXAMPLE	16	17	18	19
PAGGPC (F)	4.0	3.5	2.5	1.0
CFC 142 B <sup>3</sup>	60	-	-	40
5 Hydrocarbon (CAP 30)	-	40	5	-
Methylene chloride	5	5	5	-
Carbon dioxide	-	-	1	1
Isopropanol	10	15	15	10
Sucrose octacetate	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
10 Perfume	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Klucel HF	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.05
Ethanol to	100	100	100	100

3 - CFC 142 B is 1-chloro,1,1-difluoromethane.

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Example 20

The following is an example of a mousse according to the invention:

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	% w/w
PAGGPC (B)	2.0
Ethanol	15
25 DME	7
Empigen OB <sup>4</sup>	0.03
Silicone glycol	0.05
Perfume	q.s.
Arquad 16/50 <sup>5</sup>	0.08
30 Water	to 100

4 - Empigen OB is lauryl dimethylamine oxide

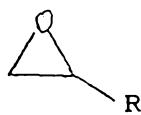
5 - Arquad 16/50 is a mixture of trimethylammonium chloride and isopropyl alcohol

THE CLAIMS DEFINING THE INVENTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. A hair setting composition comprising a derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex which is soluble in non-hydrogen bonded solvents, an organic or aqueous organic solvent, and at least 20% by weight of a non hydrogen-bonded cosolvent, where said derivative is dissolved in a mixture of the solvent and the cosolvent.
2. A hair setting composition as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex comprises the reaction product of the polymer with an electrophile.
3. A hair setting composition as claimed in Claim 2 wherein the polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex is bonded through nitrogen or oxygen to residues of the electrophile which are aliphatic or aromatic groups containing one to thirty two carbon atoms.
4. A hair setting composition as claimed in Claims 2 or 3 wherein the electrophile is chosen from  $C_{2-32}$  epoxide,  $C_{5-74}$  bisepoxide,  $C_{1-30}$  alkyl halide, polyethylene glycol halide,  $C_{1-30}$  acyl halide, acid anhydride,  $C_{1-30}$  alkyl esters, aryl esters or  $C_{1-30}$  aliphatic aldehyde.
5. A hair setting composition as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 4 wherein the epoxide is chosen from

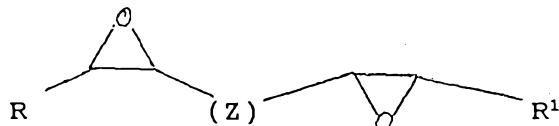
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where R is H, C<sub>1-20</sub> saturated or unsaturated alkyl, C<sub>2-30</sub> ethoxylated alkyl, saturated or unsaturated C<sub>3-10</sub>

5 cycloalkyl, or



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where R, R¹ may be the same or different and are H, or C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, and Z is aryl, C<sub>1-30</sub> saturated or unsaturated alkyl or C<sub>2-30</sub> ethoxylated alkyl, or derivatives thereof.

6. A hair setting composition as claimed in any one of Claims 1 to 4 wherein the acid anhydride is chosen from acetic, succinic, maleic, phthalic or citric anhydride.

15 7. A hair setting composition as claimed in any preceding claim wherein the derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex is present in an amount of from 0.01 to 20% by weight.

8. A hair setting composition as claimed in Claim 7

wherein the derivative of polyaminoglucose glycan polymer complex is present in an amount of from 0.1 to 5% by weight.

9. A hair setting composition as claimed in any preceding claim wherein the solvent is chosen from ethanol, isopropanol, methylene chloride, methoxyethanol and 2-ethoxyethanol, mixtures thereof, and mixtures thereof with water.

10. A hair setting composition as claimed in any preceding claim wherein the non hydrogen-bonded cosolvent is chosen from chlorofluorocarbons, fluorocarbons, hydrocarbons and dimethylether.

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