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(54) Title: LEAVE-IN HAIR COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS FOR ENHANCING VOLUME

(57) Abstract: Leave-in hair cosmetic compositions for enhancing hair volume, comprising non-spherical microparticles exhibiting a mean particle size of less than about 100µm in its longest dimension, a water-soluble or water-swellaible polymer, and an aqueous carrier such that the combination of the polymer and the microparticles results in a film-forming network. Also disclosed are methods for enhancing hair volume, and more particularly for enhancing hair volume with leave-in aqueous cosmetic compositions which contain non-spherical microparticles of less than 100µm in its longest dimension, a water-soluble or water-swellaible polymer and an aqueous carrier. The disclosed compositions provide improved hair volume, body, bounce, fullness, springiness, and texture in addition to providing good hair conditioning and styling benefits. Fluid-encapsulated, flexible microspheres which exhibit a mean particle size of less than about 300µm in diameter may also be included in the compositions.

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