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(57) Abstract: There is described a colored or colorable topical composition, comprising: a) a foamable base composition comprising, 1) a flowable carrier composition; 2) a color agent; wherein the color agent is effective to impart, increase, decrease or otherwise affect color of a foam produced from the foamable composition and wherein the color agent is one or more agents selected from the group consisting of a colored active agent, a colored indicator, a colored excipient, a pigment, a dye, a colorant and a coloring agent; b) a propellant at a concentration of about 3% to about 25% by weight of the total composition; wherein the base composition has a first color; and wherein the foam comprising the colored or colorable topical composition has a second color upon dispensing from an aerosol container, and wherein the first color and the second color are visually different. There is also described a method of changing color, a method of administration, a use as a diagnostic and a kit.



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C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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Y	US 2005/0031547 (Tamarkin et al.) 10 February 2005 (10.02.05), abstract, page paragraph 12-17, page 8 paragraphs 146 and 156, page 13 paragraph 229-230, page 14 paragraph 240)	1-30
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