

AC Kerazyme® Relevant Patents

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INCI Name: Hydrolyzed Keratin & *Trametes versicolor* Extract
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EINECS #: 274-001-1 & 310-127-6

Type of Patent	Patent Number	Title of Patent	Comments
United States Patent	USP# 5,889,212	Reformation of keratinous fiber cross links – Novo Nordisk	The patent describes the use of an oxidoreductase to reform keratinous fiber crosslinks broken in an initial reducing step. In contrast, the <i>Trametes versicolor</i> Extract in AC Kerazyme® helps to repair damage, enhance strength and improve style retention by cross linking hydrolyzed keratin to hair. AC Kerazyme® will not act as a reducing agent to break hair's disulfide bonds and will not serve to re-establish broken disulfide bonds. Later claims include mediators useful as hair dyes with no mention of hydrolyzed proteins.
United States Patent	USP#6,121,013	Method for cross-linking protein by using enzyme – Amano Pharmaceutical	This patent focuses on the use of purified enzymes whereas AC Kerazyme® uses <i>Trametes versicolor</i> Extract to achieve cross-linking. While this extract may well contain oxido-reductases, including laccase, the extract has not been refined to produce purified enzymes, and thus fall outside of these patents.