



# Xanthan gum

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**Xanthan gum** (aka Corn sugar gum)

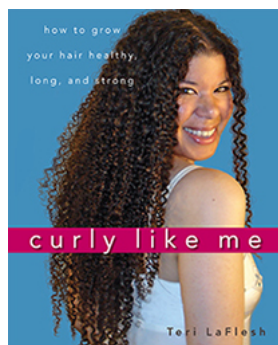
**Okay**

Xanthan gum is used to thicken products and to keep products from separating. This is actually produced by fermentation of a carbohydrate with the bacterial culture *Xanthomonas campestris* [Winter (7th edition) page 551; Begoun (Cosmetics) page 1355]. Per Hunting [(Conditioning) page 426], it's used not only as a thickener, but also for the sales appeal that it's a natural ingredient. It's a cream colored powder that's soluble in water. It may also have some conditioning properties.

Source(s): Winter Begoun Hunting [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Xanthomonas\\_campestris](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Xanthomonas_campestris)

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