Assessed for eligibility n = 215

Excluded n = 128
Not meeting inclusion criteria n = 92
Refused to participate n = 36

Randomized n = 87

Allocated to CHX n = 45
Received allocated intervention n = 45
Discontinued intervention n= 3
Lost to follow up n= 17
(antibiotic usage, mucosal ulceration, irregular mouthrinse usage)

Completed n= 25
Analysed n= 25

Allocated to placebo n = 42
Received allocated intervention n = 42
Discontinued intervention n= 3
Lost to follow up n= 14
(antibiotic usage, mucosal ulceration, irregular mouthrinse usage)

Completed n= 25
Analysed n= 25