Reviewer's report

Title: In vivo activity of terpinen-4-ol, the main bioactive component of alternifolia Cheel (tea tree) oil against azole-susceptible and -resistant human pathogenic Candida species.

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General

Most of the article requires rigorous editing. Specially, introduction and discussion part. Figure 2 is without any labelling of Y axis.

Authors are supposed to compare merits/demerits of their formulation with therapeutic agents and not with the vaccines against disease.

As higher concentration of azole is still effective against strain used, so instead of using resistant term they should use word less susceptible.

Have authors determined fungal load in control animals after 30-45 days as well. If yes what was the trend for residual fungal load.

Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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