Reviewer's report

Title: Cytotoxicity Screening of Bangladeshi Medicinal Plant Extracts on Pancreatic Cancer Cells

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Comments to the author:
1- The section "Plant extracts" should be divided into 2 parts, namely plant materials including the first part and "Extraction of plant materials" including the extraction details.

2- I suggest adding another table representing the full names of the plants (complete species names with authority and families), voucher numbers, parts used (roots, leaves or fruits, etc....) and can be considered as table 1.

3- Table 1
   A- The title of this table is too long. So rewrite it again and let the other details as appendix or footnote at the end of the table.
   B- Names of the plant species must be written in italic.
   C- What is the difference between extract 12 and 13?? Both were of the same plant and extracted with alcohol methanol and ethanol. I believe that there is no a big difference in the polarity to have completely different extracts. So please explain why did you use both solvents and also how comes that the activity so different??

2- Extract 54 and 55.
   Same plant was extracted with the same solvent and different cytotoxic activities were found?? Explain??

C- Extract 21 and 39
   The type of the extract (chloroform or methanol or etc....in column 3) must be rewritten in the same line of the plant.

Best Wishes

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.
Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests