Reviewer's report

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Discretionary Revisions
In the present study, the authors had explored the potential of curcumin as a treatment regimen against diabetes mellitus (DM) both in vitro and in vivo. It is interesting study in a way as it raises doubts about other studies which shows protective role of curcumin in diabetic nephropathy. This revised Manuscripts seems to be acceptable as current form

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

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