Reviewer’s report

Title: Anticancer activity of an extract from needles and twigs of Taxus cuspidata and its synergistic effect as a cocktail with 5-fluorouracil

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Reviewer: Nik Soriani Yaacob

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The authors have put a lot of effort to respond to the comments/queries put forward by this reviewer. However, the clarification for comment #8 (in the cover letter) on the use of different cell lines probably needs a stronger justification and should be mentioned in the Discussion

Discussion, fifth paragraph:
Suggest to remove the speculation on the reduction of side effects of 5-FU with the combination treatment since the study did not at all examine any parameters related to this point.

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