Author's response to reviews

Title: Antioxidant properties of different solvent extract from Carpobrotus edulis (L.) Bolus leaf used for the management of common infections in HIV/AIDS patients in Eastern Cape Province

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Response to reviewer’s comments

Reviewer 1: Ilhami Gulcin (Version: 10 Date: 11 October 2012)

Comment: The manuscript had been corrected according to our recommendation; however, some corrections must be made in some references:

Comment 1: In references 3, 6 and 32, “Gulcan” should be corrected as “Gulcin”.
Response: The above references have been corrected in the reference list.

Comment 2: In reference 7, “Ercan B, Ilhami G” should be corrected as “Bursal E, Gulcin I”.
Response: The names in reference 7 have been corrected as “Bursal E, Gulcin I”

Comment 3: In reference 33, “Ilhami G, Fevzi TS, Beyza OS, Ercan B, Gokhan B, Ahmet CG” should be corrected as “Gulcin I, Topal F, Ozturk Sarikaya SB, Bursal E, Birsel G, Goren AC”.
Response: The above references have been given.
Reviewer 2: Mahassine Amensour  (Version: 10 Date: 23 October 2012)

Comment: The authors have addressed the main questions that had been previously raised. I have just one comment:

Comment A: METHODS SECTION

Scavenging activity of 2, 2-Diphenyl-1-Picrylhdrazyl (DPPH) radical:

In this sentences: “About 0.1 ml of DPPH –methanol solution (0.135 mM) was mixed with 1.0 ml of different concentrations (0.025-0.5 mg/ml) of aqueous extract of C. edulis”, please replace aqueous extract with various extracts.

Response: Aqueous extract has been replaced with various extracts.
Reviewer 3: Sarangapani Sreelatha  (Version: 10 Date: 23 October 2012)

Comment: The manuscript is now modified well. Although the authors have reported the phytochemicals initial screening before quantification is essential. Authors would have performed this. If so you can include this in the manuscript. Only after the initial screening with various tests for phenolics, flavonoids, tannins etc you will be able to do the quantification.
Sine this manuscript is only antioxidant and phytochemical properties it would sound better with the screening data.

Response: The comment made by the reviewer has been considered. The initial screenings of the various phytochemicals has been included.