Reviewer's report

Title: Antioxidant, antibacterial, cytotoxic and apoptotic activity of extracts of Cephalotaxus griffithii Hook. f. (stem bark)

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Dear author

Good day!

There are numerous grammatical mistakes. The manuscript should be throughout checked for English grammar and style. In background section author should explain role of oxidative stress in pathogenesis of different diseases and ameliorative effect of antioxidant consumption. These papers are useful and authors must cite them:


Author must state the solvents of reagents in all parts of the manuscript for example in method section author said “100 µl of FC reagent (1:2 dilutions)” and “300 µl of sodium carbonate (0.2 g/ml)” but don’t specify solvent. Please specify solvents of all reagents for example aqueous, ethanolic or etc.

In method section, please change “UV-1700 Pharmaspec, SHIMZU” to “UV-1700 Pharmaspec, Shimadzu”

In the tables
In table 1, 2 and 5, what is the meaning of a, b and c?
In table 6, please delete all of stars (*)

In figures
In figure 2, Please check the ascorbic acid curve.

Thank you
Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Needs some language corrections before being published

Statistical review: Yes, and I have assessed the statistics in my report.

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I declare that I have no competing interests