Reviewer’s report

Title: Antagonistic effect of alkaloids and saponins on bioactivity in the quinine tree (Rauvolfia caffra Sond.): Further evidence to support biotechnology in traditional medicinal plants

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Since this article is just about crude extracts and fractions studies on Rauvolfia caffra Sond I hope this work can be continued to isolate the pure compounds. Further study of new compounds from this plant can be done.

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'