Reviewer’s report

Title: Heteropterys tomentosa (A. Juss.) infusion counteracts Cyclosporin A side effects on the ventral prostate

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REPORT:
This paper is a moderately interesting study and describes the protective effect of Heteropterys tomentosa extract on cyclosporine A-induced structural damages in ventral prostate of male rats. The design and language of the study are generally good. In my opinion this study can be accepted for publication after minor revision.

Suggestions:
1- The actual mechanism of increased GOT level should be discussed.
2- With regard to weights of prostate and coagulating gland; the reason of the contradictory, which was observed between the results of this study and other authors' findings, should be clarified in the discussion section. In my opinion these contradictories are due to the differences in individual sensitivity of rats, doses and treatment period of drug, and also administration route. For example; Cyclosporine A was daily administered by s.c. injection route in the study made by Türk et al.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

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Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

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'I declare that I have no competing interests'