Reviewer's report

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Minor essential revisions
The following sentences need some grammatical work to make their meaning clear.

P1 para 7- the first sentence
"The aim of this study was to evaluate antioxidant activity and identified antioxidant component....:" should be "The aim of this study was to evaluate antioxidant activity and to identify antioxidant components...."

P 12 para 2- All the para need revisions.
"Our research demonstrated that The phenolic compounds in our research all exhibit potential antioxidant activities with salvianolic B and procyanidin B2 as potent ones. Hence, these phenolic ones are considered as bioactivity components of herb samples, among them, salvianolic B, which originates from DS samples, is identified as the main bioactivity compound in the formula."

There are quite a few minor grammatical errors in this paragraph.

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

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

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.