Reviewer's report

Title: Preconditioning somatothermal stimulation on Qimen (LR14) reduces hepatic ischemia/reperfusion injury in rats

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Minor essential revision

Hsieh et al have intended to test on the effects of local somatothermal stimulation preconditioning on the right Qimen (LR14) on hepatic I/R injury in rats. Using the conditions, they found that local somatothermal stimulation (LSTS) was beneficial for the improvement on recovery from the I/R injury. Based on these studies, they proposed that LSTS might provide an easy and inexpensive application for patients who have suffered from I/R of the liver especially in the process of hepatotomy and hepatic transplantation. This is good story and enough to be published in this Journal. However, still this manuscript needs to be language edited by commercial company.

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

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests