Reviewer’s report

Title: In vivo effects of Pain Relieving Plaster on closed soft tissue injury in rabbit ears

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Major compulsory revision

1. Why is the concentration of the PRP not mentioned?
2. It is mentioned in the Results section that there was no significant difference in edema formation between control and PRP groups. But in discussion, it is mentioned that PRP reduces edema formation. Explain.
3. The results of sham control are not shown in Table 2 and Figure 3. Why?

Minor Essential Revisions

1. The names of all the plants should be italized wherever they appear.
2. In page 2, in abstract, line 2, there should be a space between Pain Relieving Plaster and (PRP)
3. In abstract, in line 3, there should be a space between injury and (CSTI)
4. In page 2, methods, line 10, studied including could be replaced by studied for
5. In page 2, results, line 14, indicated CSTI could be replaced by indicated that CSTI.
6. In page 2, results, line 16, decreased elevated edema could be replaced by decreased the elevated edema level
7. In page 4, line 2, a space should be included between Plaster and (PRP)
8. In page 4, line 3, plateau should be replaced by Plateau and China’s should be replaced by China
9. In page 4, line 13, space should be placed between bracteata and (Table 1)
10. In page 4, line 14, in should be removed.
11. In page 4, line 15, was connect should be replaced by was connected
12. In page 4, line 28, of should be added next to UV spectra
13. In page 5, line 11, herbs extracts should be replaced by herbal extracts and NaCl should be replaced by NaCl
14. In page 5, line 7, by applying a soft tissue clamp with - font is different
15. In page 5, line 13, was conducted could be replaced by were conducted
16. In page 5, line 17, ear is should be replaced by was
17. In page 5, line 21, are should be replaced by were

18. In page 7, line 1, font is different

19. In page 7, line 4, founded should be replaced by found

20. In page 7, line 16, result could be replaced by results

21. In page 7, para 4, the sentence significant increasing BFV in short time after injury suggests decreased tissue oxygenation could be rewritten as significant increase in BFV in short time after injury suggests that decreased tissue oxygenation is

22. Table 2, title font is different

23. In page 15, para 4, line 16, BaCL should be replaced by NaCl

**What next?**: Accept after minor essential revisions

**Level of interest**: An article of importance in its field

**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