Author's response to reviews

Title: Effects of cocoa, coffee, green tea, and garcinia complex supplement on lipid profiles in hamsters

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Dear Editor,

We are very appreciate for your consideration on our work, and giving us a chance to resubmit our manuscript. These comments are helpful. We have done our best to revise the manuscript. The modified parts are highlighted in red in the revised manuscript. The concerns raised by the editor are addressed point-by-point below. Please inform us with any further concerns.

Sincerely,
Chih-Wei Chang

1. - At present, we do not feel that there is sufficient evidence presented in your Background section to justify the testing of your supplement in an animal model of dyslipidaemia. We would therefore ask you to expand this section to include as much referenced evidence as possible to explain why you would expect this treatment to have an effect in this model. This evidence should come from previous in vitro or animal work. Please note that we are unable to accept traditional medical use as sufficient justification for animal studies.

#Response: Thank you for pointing this out for us. We should illustrate more evidences toward our purpose of this study. Following your advice, we had revised the Background section and expanded it.

2. - Thank you for including an ethics statement in your manuscript. However, we would ask you to confirm that the protocols of your study specifically were submitted to, and approved by, your institutional ethics committee. Please amend your ethics statement so that this is clearly declared.

#Response: Thank you for your advice. We had rewritten the part of ethics statement in the Methods section.