Reviewer's report

Title: Effects of Tongmai Oral Liquid in femoral ateriovenous fistula

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I read the following article and I proposed the following notes to enhance it.

1- Is the question posed by the authors well defined? Yes
2. Are the methods appropriate and well described?
   Why other antithrombotic such as heparin are not tested?
   Why the rabbits are evaluated till 15?
   The sample size in this study is how determined?
   It sound the sample size is not enough.
   Are evaluated the Normality assumption in 3 groups of this study?
   The standard deviations of tongmai and control groups increased in the time of measurements. What was done for this purpose? (table 2 NO)
   It was better in this study researcher design double blind study.

3. Are the data sound?
   The larger sample size was needed.

4. Do the figures appear to be genuine, i.e. without evidence of manipulation? Yes

5. Does the manuscript adhere to the relevant standards for reporting and data deposition? Yes

6. Are the discussion and conclusions well balanced and adequately supported by the data? Yes

7. Are limitations of the work clearly stated? No
   Sample size limitation and time distance of study did not clearly stated.

8. Do the authors clearly acknowledge any work upon which they are building, both published and unpublished? Yes

9. Do the title and abstract accurately convey what has been found? Yes

10. Is the writing acceptable? Yes

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

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

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interests.