Reviewer’s report

Title: The efficacy and safety of nine South African medicinal plants in controlling Bacillus anthracis Sterne vaccine strain

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- The exact mechanisms by which selected plants exert their antimicrobial action are not well described, several potential methods can be used. These include disruption of bacterial cell membrane leading to loss of membrane potential, impaired ATP production, and leakage of intracellular contents. The authors should describe the exact mechanism for the most promising antibacterial extracts.

- Two parts of the manuscript were sectioned as Discussion. Correct the mistake in pages 8 and 11.

- There are some typo errors in several places.

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