Reviewer's report

Title: Protective effects of Arctium lappa L. Root Extracts (AREs) on High Fat Diet Induced Quail Atherosclerosis

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Major Compulsory Revisions

1. P26, change the words “4.5 week” to 4.5 weeks. There are examples throughout the manuscript of poorly written English, please revise such statements, and please make clear the rationale of doing this study it was not clear to this reader as to why this study was done.

2. P61 reference showed worry forms: “Error! Reference source not found”, please change them all over the manuscript.

3. The paper does not identify any of the compounds present in these different extractions of AREs. None of the extracts were characterized as to what was extracted and what was qualitatively present in these extracts and therefore what was quantitatively measured, again lowering the ability to draw and extrapolate conclusions.

4. This paper doesn't have any discussion, just to express the results, so more discussion is needed to make a comparison with other studies.

Level of interest: An article of limited interest

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.