Reviewer’s report

Title: Plectranthus amboinicus essential oil and carvacrol bioactive against planktonic and biofilm of oxacillin- and vancomycin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus

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Recent studies have identified the essential oil of Plectranthus amboinicus leaves mainly contains carvacrol, camphor, Δ-3-carene, λ-terpinene, O-cymene and α-terpinene. And, Escherichia coli, Proteus vulgaris, Bacillus cereus, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Staphylococcus aureus, and Staphylococcus aureus (multiresistant) were sensitive to this oil. The present study determined the susceptibility of drug-resistant S. aureus strains isolated from milk and shrimp to P. amboinicus essential oil (PAEO) and carvacrol for the first time. The results initially revealed the action of this oil and its major component against planktonic and biofilm of drug-resistant S. aureus from food. Compared to the previous manuscript, the integrity and novelty of the present manuscript has observably improved. So, the present manuscript might be published in BCAM.

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