Reviewer's report

Title: Ginkgo Biloba Induced Mood Dysregulation: A Case Report

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Reviewer: CHUNG Ka Fai

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This is a case report on an adverse event that is associated with ginkgo biloba, a commonly used dietary supplement for enhancing cognitive function. The case report warrants publication in view of its novelty, but some clarifications of the history are required. First, is the mood dysregulation compatible with hypomania? Please give some examples of the mood symptoms. Are other hypomanic symptoms, decreased need of sleep, overtalkativeness, etc., also present? Please refer to the DSM-5 diagnostic criteria of hypomania. How long after using ginkgo biloba does the mood symptom occur? Any reason given by the patient for re-use of ginkgo biloba despite the adverse effects. Can you provide some examples of the cognitive deficit in Ms. J? Is cognitive test performed? What are the items on PANSS and BPRS Ms. J has scored? What is the initial presentation of Ms. J at 29 years old? Are there relapses in the past? What are the types of relapse? What kinds of psychotic symptoms Ms. J had in the beginning? Does Ms. J have manic symptoms in the past? Are there other serious adverse events that are associated with gingko biloba and have been reported in the literature? The paper requires English editing.

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