Reviewer’s report

Title: Protective effect of ethyl acetate fraction from Semen sojae germinatum, the processed sprout of Chinese black soybean, on rat experimental osteoarthritis

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Reviewer: Rohit Agrawal

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First, I would like to congratulate the authors for their fine work. The study seems to have been well designed and conducted. The manuscript is even better and sound.

The introduction comprised of the necessary elements well organized with no less or more information than required.

I especially was attracted with the methods. All information required were mentioned correctly. Every elements like sample size, blinding, randomization, controls and so on have been well addressed in the methods. This makes this study reproducible.

The discussion was quite good too. Authors have been able to give meaning to their results and lead it to a generalized concepts along with future recommendations.

Overall, the manuscript was OK from all aspects and have no reason to be rejected.

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