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We have carefully considered the suggestions and agreed with the opinions of the reviewers.

Point-by-Point Response to Reviewer

Reviewer 1

We fully agreed with the reviewer's comment.

We referenced the articles regarding with intestinal inflammation in the introduction (See page 7, line 207-211 in revision)

The authors explain the logical order and rationale for the experiments in discussion.

Reviewer 2

- ✓ The term colitics was introduced to the reader in introduction and terminology: “Ulcerative colitis (UC) is a type of chronic inflammation restricted to the colon, however the entire large intestine may be affected [6]. Affected patients show symptoms such as rectal bleeding, frequent bowel movements, tenesmus, rectal mucus discharge, and abdominal pain [5]” (See page 6, line 180-184 in revision).

- ✓ Previous studies performed by De Moraes Lima demonstrated low toxicity and no change of liver enzymes in animals treated with the tested vegetal sample for fifteen days in acid acetic induced gastric ulcer model. This information was referenced in introduction (See page 8, line 229-231 in the revision).

- ✓ Abbreviation EtOHE was standardized.

The manuscript was edited by a native speaker.

The modifications requested by the editor were performed.

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