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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review described by Lin et al. summarizes well the current situation of researches on anti-cancer potential of litchi seed extract and is well written. However, it would be too early to make mention of the benefits of the seed extract for the treatment of human cancer, because only a few paper have so far reported the in vivo anti-tumor effect of the seed extract. To improve this review, it is necessary to add a little more emphasis on the in vivo anti-tumor activity. If available, add more information about the anti-tumor activity of the litchi seed extract in animal experiments. Minor comments: 1) Page 6. It is better to divide the section "Anti-tumor activity and possible mechanisms of the litchi seed" into two sections "Anti-tumor activity of the litchi seed" and "Possible mechanisms of the litchi seed", and put the literatures (refs. 29, 30, 32) describing the anti-tumor activity of the litchi seed together in the former section. 2) Provide the reference number to the following sentences. Page 6, line 7 "Some of these compounds appear to exhibit anti-neoplasm activities...". Page 6, line 11 "In our report...". Page 6, line 17. "Xu and colleagues isolated...".



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The review of Chih-Cheng and colleagues discusses the potential of litchi seed extract as anti-cancer treatment. This is a comprehensive editorial of the properties of this Traditional Chinese Medicine compound in which the authors linked the ancient knowledge of Chinese Medicine with the recent findings regarding the possible cellular and molecular mechanisms of the compounds from litchi seed as anti-tumoral agents. I would recommend increasing the number of references since for a reader not familiar with this topic, it would be interesting to know the work done in this field. If that were at all possible, it would improve the editorial. Moreover, there are some typos throughout the text that should be corrected.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript reviews the recent findings regarding the benefits of the litchi seed extract in the treatment of human cancer and the possible cellular and molecular mechanisms. The title is interesting and suitable for the Journal.



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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

In this manuscript the authors have dealt with the anticancer properties exhibited by litchi seed extract towards different cancer cell lines. The manuscript is well written and summarized the most relevant and recent aspects of the topic. However, before full acceptance, the authors should consider making some minor modifications. Particularly, I believe that at least one figure summarizing the main findings described in the review is necessary to strengthen the quality of the manuscript and improve its comprehension.