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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

Dear Sirs, The enclosed manuscript is interesting and worth to publish. Minor lack is missing data from Xiaoyaosan, i.e what it is, which plant?, what does it contain, how it is used etc. I have never hear such medicine, thus these information should be added. Second comment is for the used database. Greengenes is quite often used but not reliable. Silva is golden standard for data analyses. Fortunately authors report data into only phyla level so the reliability of greengenes remains OK (satisfactory level).