

Review of: "Exploring the Significance and Medicinal Potential of *Rubus fraxinifolius*: A Review of Ragimot Wildberry"

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It is an interesting review article on a relatively unexplored fruit found in Malaysian-Indonesian islands. The author has described the fruit as having potential uses for medical purposes. Despite the fact that the author only reviewed in more detail one of the species, *Rubus fraxinifolius*, it should be noted that other closely-related species are also found widespread in other regions, suggesting that this species may not be a rare or unique species. However, the author has provided new insight into a potential source of food or medicinal ingredients which needs to be explored further. I would like to suggest some notes on the article. First, include more data on nutritional content, if available, not just calories, total carbohydrates, sugar, and raw fiber. Such data is preferably written in the form of a Table of Nutritional Content, not in the form of a figure like Figure 1, to complement Table 1, which lists the phytochemical components. The author has described nutritional contents in the text, but it is described narratively, which makes reading the content more difficult. Therefore, rewriting that part in the form of a table may be more reader-friendly. Secondly, this, which may appear on the early part of the article, is the more complete data on the taxonomy of the ragimot. Similar plants, which may have close genetic relatedness with the ragimot, are found in many parts. It would be interesting if someone would do some genetic relatedness analysis of ragimot-like plants, based on 28S rRNA gene comparison. The potential use of this berry in the future should also be more elaborated to give the readers more perspective on the need to preserve this wild berry in nature.

In conclusion, I would like to suggest that the manuscript may be published after revisions have been made.

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