

## Review of: "Toxicity of Olea africana in Artemia Salina and Mice"

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The manuscript deals with the understanding of toxicity, if any of *Olea africana* on mice and brine shrimp over a period of 24 hours (acute toxicity) and 28 days (sub-acute toxicity). However, the manuscript is not acceptable in the present form due to the following reasons:

- 1. Section 2.5: Brine shrimp cytotoxicity test: It is not clear on what basis the doses were selected for the toxicity test. A per OECD guidelines,  $LC_{50}$  dose is to be known first and then further doses should be selected on that basis for acute toxicity test.
- 2. "Groups 3, 4, and 5 contained 10  $\mu$ g/mL, 100  $\mu$ g/mL, and 100  $\mu$ g/mL of the extract": Same dose is written twice. Whether the authors have repeated the same dose twice, please clarify.
- 3. Section 2.6: Acute toxicity assay in mice: It is not clear on what basis the doses were selected for the toxicity assay in mice.
- 4. Histological studies: The histological pictures provided are very dark and noting could be interpreted from them properly, replace with a brighter image.
- 5. Results: The results are written in a very monotonous way; it should be modified for a better clarity.
- 6. Discussion: The results should be discussed with reports from other workers that is mostly lacking.

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