Response to Reviewers

Dear Editors and Reviewers:

Thank you for your letter and for the reviewers' comments concerning our manuscript entitled "Studies on the Chemical Compositions of *Hyptis suaveolens* (L.) Poit"(ID: 6255). Those comments are all valuable and very helpful for revising and improving our paper, as well as the important guiding significance to our researches. We have studied comments carefully and have made correction which we hope meet with approval. Revised portion are marked in red in the paper. The main corrections in the paper and the responds to the reviewer's comments are as flowing:

Responds to the reviewer's comments:

Reviewer A:

1. Response to comment: (Line 7: The first sentence is unclear! Compositions or compounds? Please, rephrase.)

Response: We are very sorry for our incorrect writing. The statement of "Compositions" was corrected as "compounds". In addition, several incorrect writing of the same in the text were corrected, too.(Page 1, Line 7; Page 4, Line 4; Page 9, Line 2)

2. Response to comment: (Line 15: What means 7-O-(SH)? Which compound is it? Did you mean methyl wogonin or something other? Please, explain in the abstract in this place.)

Response: We are very sorry for misleading the Reviewer. It's true that the statement of "7-O-(SH)" is mean "methyl wogonin". We have made correction according to the Reviewer's comments along with the inappropriate writing of the same in the text.(Page 1, Line 15 and Line 22; Page 5, TABLE I and TABLE II; Page 9, Line 5)

3. Response to comment: (Abstract in Serbian language is missing)

Response: It is really true as Reviewer suggested that the abstract in Serbian language should be given by domestic authors. But we are not domestic authors. We have read "Author Guidelines" and noted that for authors outside Serbia, the Editorial Board will provide a Serbian translation of their English abstract.

Special thanks to you for your good comments.

Reviewer B:

1. Response to comment: (Naming of isolated compounds should be revised, compounds must be represent by chemical formula with appropriate labeling in order that NMR data could be understood.)

Response: We are very sorry for our incorrect writing. We have made correction according to the Reviewer's comments.

2. Response to comment: (Tables should be presented in landscape mode and should be merge according to comments.)

Response: It is really true as Reviewer suggested that Tables should be merged and presented in landscape mode. At first, we thought to conform to the typewriting format and neglected the convenience of reading. Considering the Reviewer's suggestion, we have re-written this part. Table III and Table IV were merged into one Table naming "Table IV".(Page 7-8)

3. Response to comment: (MS data are not presented at all.)

Response: We are very sorry for our negligence of missing some supporting data. We have added the MS data to Table II. (Page 5)

4. Response to comment: (At least one fresh reference (published online in September 2017) should be mentioned and discussed in manuscript.)

Response: It is really true as Reviewer suggested that fresh references should be mentioned. Two fresh references(11, 18) were cited and discussed in Introduction.(Page 2, Line 12-13 and 20; Page 10-11)

Special thanks to you for your good comments.

Other changes:

1. Page 4, Line 5, the statements of "table V" were corrected as "Table IV".

2. Page 4, Line 8, the statements of "table I" were corrected as "Table I".

3. Page 4, Line 9, the statements of "table II to table V" were corrected as "Table II to Table IV".

4. Page 5, Table II, the statements of "Wavelength of maximum absorption in UV" were replaced by "Max absorption in UV(nm)".

5. The numbers of supported references were re-ordered in the text.

6. Page 2, Line 12-13, "In additon, the decoction of the roots was reported to contain urosolic acid, a natural HIV integrase inhibitor, and was highlighted for preparing appetizer" was added.

7. Page 2, Line 20, "especially for the essential oil" was added.

We tried our best to improve the manuscript and made some changes in the manuscript. These changes will not influence the content and framework of the paper. And here we did not list the changes but marked in red in revised paper.

We appreciate for Editors/Reviewers' warm work earnestly, and hope that the correction will meet with approval.

Once again, thank you very much for your comments and suggestions.

Best regards. Yours sincerely, Gengqiu Tang

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