

## Review Form 1.6

Journal Name:	<a href="#">European Journal of Nutrition &amp; Food Safety</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_EJNFS_89813
Title of the Manuscript:	Evaluation of Phytochemical, Nutritional and Antioxidant Properties of a Functional Tea Produced from Blends of Local Spices Utazi ( <i>Gongronema latifolium</i> ), Nchanwu ( <i>Ocimum gratissium</i> ) and Tumeric ( <i>Curcuma longa</i> ).
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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### PART 1: Review Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	<p>Please confirm whether roots or rhizomes were used for the investigation. In many places, roots were used instead of rhizomes.</p> <p>Need modification for the abstract section to convey the snippets of the entire study properly.</p> <p>In the recommendation section, the authors reported that the root was safe for consumption. But there are no safety studies that have been conducted by the authors. Further, no reference to safety was found in the manuscript. Overall, since the product contains a considerably higher concentration of cardiac glycosides and alkaloids, a safety study is really warranted. It is highly advisable to conduct the safety profile.</p> <p>None of the plants used in the study was authenticated. The authentication of plants by a taxonomist is really warranted. So this section must be improved by adding this.</p> <p>The study is really good. The analytical and experimental parts are also executed well. The article is recommended for publication if the above-mentioned queries are addressed.</p>	
<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments		
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	<p>As this drug contains significantly higher concentrations of cardiac glycosides and alkaloids, it is highly advisable to conduct the safety profile of the preparation. If they didn't do such a study, the recommendation section should be improved by avoiding such a statement.</p>	

### PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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