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Journal Name:	<a href="#">European Journal of Medicinal Plants</a>
Manuscript Number:	Ms_EJMP_126245
Title of the Manuscript:	Novel fermented functional food utilizing green tea waste (used tea leaves)
Type of the Article	Original Research Article

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**PART 1: Review Comments**

<b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. Why do you like (or dislike) this manuscript? A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	Tea waste can be effectively utilized for lactic acid fermentation. Moreover, the resulting infusion may provide health benefits, making it a potential functional food.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	Novel fermented functional food utilizing green tea waste (used tea leaves)-Title needs modification	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	OK	
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<b>Minor</b> REVISION comments  Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	OK	
<b>Optional/General</b> comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "The samples were lyophilized using a freeze dryer for subsequent use in fermentation." Why, what and how many samples (yield) are being selected for further fermentation? How do we justify the fifth and tenth sequential steps? Not more or less than that??</li> <li>2. The sample was fermented under anaerobic conditions: Was any instrument used for fermentation? Please be specific</li> <li>3. Why this experiment was performed? What is the use of this fermented product?</li> <li>4. Bar graph: Changes in pH in infusions of tea waste and unused tea leaves (control) during fermentation: <b>Is there any statistics has been done?</b></li> </ol>	

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	<b>Reviewer's comment</b>	<b>Author's comment</b> <i>(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)</i>
<b>Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?</b>	<i>(If yes, Kindly please write down the ethical issues here in details)</i>	

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