

Reviewer's report

Title: Effect of a Proprietary Magnolia and Phellodendron Extract on Stress Levels in Healthy Women: a pilot, double-blind, placebo-controlled clinical trial

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Reviewer: Uwe Koetter

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The comments are addressed satisfactorily. Appropriate changes have been made to the manuscript.

Level of interest: An article of importance in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

In the past five years I have received salary and reimbursements working in the herbal industry on products, which have similar indications. I have developed products that treat restlessness and nervousness or work as sleep aids, which are sold in Switzerland and are exported to the US. Also, I am consulting for companies in Switzerland, Germany and the US including NEXT pharmaceuticals.