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| Journal Name:            | <a href="#">International Journal of TROPICAL DISEASE &amp; Health</a>   |
| Manuscript Number:       | <b>Ms_IJTDH_19210</b>                                                    |
| Title of the Manuscript: | <b>Antifungal Activity of Phytochemicals Against Penicillium Strains</b> |
| Type of the Article      | <b>Original Research Article</b>                                         |

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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) |
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| <b>Compulsory</b> REVISION comments | <p>The first sentence of the abstract is inflammatory and completely untrue. Change. In fact, the entire AIMS section needs to be reworked. AIMS are not an introduction. Only the last sentence is really valid.</p> <p>English needs to be fixed by a professional, native English speaker.</p> <p>Introduction: first sentence I highly doubt is true, and the second sentence doesn't need a citation – it is well known. The third statement is inflammatory and much too general. The majority of fungi are completely benign.</p> <p>Methods: how were the fungi identified? Genetically? Morphologically? This needs to be addressed, as morphological ID is no longer considered an accurate method of species identification.</p> <p>What were the species of <i>Penicillium</i> found? You call them strains, so were they all the same species?</p> | <p>The alterations in the abstract, introduction, methods, in English and spelling were held in accordance with the suggestions of the reviewer and marked in yellow.</p>     |



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| <b><u>Minor</u></b> REVISION comments   |                                                                                                                                                      |  |
| <b><u>Optional/General</u></b> comments | I wouldn't consider this work 'novel', but as the journal is alright with non-novel research, I think this manuscript is a good fit for the journal. |  |