## **Editor's comments:**

Discussion has been improved including some references about SSF and secondary metabolite production from fungal sources.

However, and as requested in my previous suggestions, since three replicates were performed for each assay, the corresponding standard deviation should be added to each graph. This will provide valuable information (further then the only mean value) on the repeatability of the experiments.

## Author's feedback:

Dear Sir,

The results were taken into accountability after calculating the results with mean and SD value from the three replicates but the thing is only the mean value was written so the SD value of  $\pm$  < 5%, which I mentioned for better understanding to the readers (highlighted in yellow colour). So, the data for graphs also carry the same. I