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#### **PART 1:** Review Comments

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<u>Compulsory</u> REVISION comments	<ul> <li>Introduction: clear and argumentative.</li> <li>Material and methods</li> <li>The strain used in this study, <i>A. ochraceus</i> CBS 263.67, was prepared by the Westerdijk Fungal Biodiversity Institute. (How ? a description in more details is welcome) The essential oils used in this study were obtained from Magnolia Company (Saveh, Iran), Barij Essence (Kashan, Iran) and golghatrehtoos (Mashhad, Iran) with a purity of over 90% (How can the authors affirm the correct botanical classification of each species ?).</li> <li>Determination of mycotoxin by HPLC</li> <li>To this end, a HPLC Waters e 2695 equipped (United States) with a fluorescence detector 2475 and Chromolith® columns (4.6 mm column diameter, 20 cm column length) were applied for this purpose. The column temperature was 50 °C with a reversible phase of acetonitrile/methanol, a 150 µL injection volume and a total run-time of 9.5 minutes.</li> <li>Validation parameters of this method ?</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Determination of compounds of essential oils with GC</li> <li>Where come from this analytical method ? It simply appear.</li> <li>Results: very interesting !</li> <li>Table 11: Chemical composition of essential oils how can you affirm , that your GC method and all conditions are the best for your study ?</li> </ul>	

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	<ul> <li>Fig 8 and 9 are very dark and with a very low resolution.</li> <li>Figure 10: The result of HPLC confirmed the presence of the mycotoxin producing gene and the production of toxin by the A. ochraceus. How can you confirm that ? Only with retention time and fluorescence ?</li> <li>Conclusion: modest, please improve it!</li> </ul>	
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