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Dear Dr Dwiastuti:

Your manuscript entitled "In Silico Modeling and Empirical Study of 4-n-Butylresorcinol Nanoliposome Formulation", which you submitted to Journal of Biomolecular Structure & Dynamics, has been reviewed. The referee comments are included at the bottom of this letter.

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Referee: 1

Comments to the Author

Abstract:

Please mention which type of MD simulation was performed in your study.

It is confusing the way in which it is described how MD simulation assist in nanoliposome formulation .

Introduction

Page 3, line 70-77. This paragraph is part of the methodology? it is not clear why this paragraph is placed here. So, I recommend you to cite this text and showed some examples.

Page 3, line 79-80. please put the reference

Page 3, line 85-87. Page 4, line 96-970. You describe a study related to the field, however it is not clearly explained why is the relation with your study or why did you include this citation, please describe the relation with your study or why it was used as background.

Along the manuscript you mentioned molecular modeling, but the concept is employed under different scenarios, please clarify the concept because it is misused in some of them.

Page 4, line 103. it is advisable to mention the time of the application, because relatively in terms of clinical studies its is imprecise and it is not a common term.

Page 4, line 107-108. You mention that the stability is improved by encapsulating the compound, but is this a rule? Please add the reference.

Along the manuscript you mix terms like molecular modelling with Molecular dynamic simulations, and they are different tools of in silico studies. Please clarify the concepts and use them properly in the text.

I recommend you to rewrite your introduction because since my point of view you stat each paragragh with some lines of your work (metodology) followed by literature that support the the initial idea. it results very confusing to follow the idea that you want to transmit, it is very hard to understand the background of your work, besides I recommend you to add the reference where correspond because there are several ideas without references.

Material and methods

In section 2., GC-MS analysis, I suggest you to add a couple of line clarifiying why did you performed GC. Please also mention which is the ion source?

Why did you use GC and not other thectnique in ofrder to avoid the thermal insability mentioned in the result section??? In section 3. Molecular dynamics simulation. I recommend you to menione how di you determine the composition of the liposome at the beginning of the paragraph.

Please also give the number of water beads used.

Please clarify the temperature used in your smulation and experiments, because in MD section you mentioned that it was carried out at 323 K, and in the experimental section you say that you employed 500 °C, in kelvins it is 773.15 K. Section 5. The conversion of soy lecitin

did you get the concentration of tthe phospholipids in your sistyem 387.12 mg/mL

Please review the calculation performed in the section five, since there are mistakes in the numbers.

Results

The potential energy calculation

the term "the number of potential energy" is not correct, please verify it.

page 10. the phrase "In contrast, the increase of the lipid number, the decrease of

244 the hydrogen bond in water", Please clarify the sentence because it is not clearly explained to what are you referring to.

Table 5. Please describe which type of energy is showed in this table.

Figure 1. Why are there four lines per graphic? please clarify

Figure 2. Please describe these graphs and what did you conclude about them?

Page 12. You write: The radius of gytation of nanoliposome was formed....

Please clarigy because the Rg was not formed, the nanoliposopme was formed and the Rg allow you to measure the nanoliposome formation.

I suggest you to be more descriptive about your MD simulation.

Figure 4. Why did you put a couple of figures per section. It would be better if you use boxes to separate these figures. pag. 16, The phrase "structures were generated in the molecular

332 modeling simulation without the electrostatic energy", how did you omit the electrostatic energy?? Please clarify It seems that the basis of molecular dynamic simulation are not clear, such as potential energy and the components of the same. Please review this concepts in order to improve the discussion of your results. Comments to the Author Manuscript ID: TBSD-2021-0257

## Reviewer's comments:

The manuscript entitled "In Silico Modeling and Empirical Study of 4-n-Butylresorcinol Nanoliposome Formulation", describes the molecular dynamics simulations of three lecithin systems with different numbers of molecules for liposome formation. One of these systems was prepared experimentally and it was confirmed that the theoretical and experimental liposome sizes coincide.

As a general comment, this article is relevant because using soy lecithin in liposomal formulations reduces costs considerably, compared to using pure phospholipids. The authors' proposal to carry out soy lecithin molecular dynamics (MD) experiments in order to predict the size of liposomes is a very good idea and improves the liposome formation methodology.

However, the authors do not discuss the differences or similarities of liposomes obtained by MD with and without 4-nbutylresorcinol (size, energy and shape). They only give the theoretical size of one of the systems, but it would be necessary to give the sizes of the 2 missing systems to verify if the difference is relevant or not and include some discussion. The manuscript can be accepted after addressing the following comments.

1. Page 1. Title: The author uses the word "Nanoliposom" instead of "Nanoliposome". Please change.

2. Page 2 line 70: The information can be expanded by mentioning physicochemical parameters as size and zeta potential. They are important for the stability.

3. Page 4 line 94: The authors didn't mention the results found by the aforementioned researchers.

4. Methodology: the authors must clarify if the liposome size reported is the radius or the diameter. It is desirable that they clearly explain how the liposome size is calculated from the radius of gyration.

5. Page 5 line 151: Concentration of 4-n- butylresorcinol was not given.

6. Page 6 line 172: the authors say that "The temperature in the formulation was selected at 500 °C ..." Please correct.

7. Page 7 line 200: The angle and the temperature used in the liposome size measurements are not given. It should be clarified if the size distribution was measured by intensity, number or volume, since choosing one of these parameters over the others give variations in size.

8. Figure 1 y 3: The authors didn't explain why there are 2 blue lines and 2 two green lines. Please explain what each means. The chosen colors are difficult to distinguish.

9. Figure 4: Why they put two images for each system? Please clarify.

10. Table 6: Please add the liposome sizes found for all systems studied by MD. (2400 an 2800 are missing).

11. Figure 6: Specify the size of the scale bar in the caption of figure 6, since it is not visible in the photo. The authors should mention the diameter measurement of the liposomes shown in figure 6 by TEM.

12. The authors should include the liposome size distribution graphs obtained from the DLS, to see if there is a single population or not.

13. Do the number of drug molecules affects the liposome size?. Please clarify.

14. It is desirable that the authors perform the experiments with the 3200 system without drug in order to corroborate their MD results. Also mention how reproducible is their experimental procedure, it seems that they only made once the experiments.

15. Page 16 line 324: The authors say "It is also important to note that the slower liposome formation tends to give the phospholipid bilayer a chance to form a multiple connection, leading to an imperfect sphere or a bilayer bridge in the middle of the liposome." Please mention the corresponding figures.

16. Page 17 line 374: The authors say "These insignificant results ...." I guess the authors didn't mean insignificant, please verify. I'm not sure what do the authors mean by "deal". Could you please clarify?

Referee: 3

Comments to the Author

1. The idea of the work is good but 80% of the work is based on computational analysis it lacks experimental evidence so requires a few experimental data to validate it

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10-May-2021

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Comments to the Author

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Referee: 2

Comments to the Author

Major corrections were made but there are still some issues that shoul be corrected.

Abstract: You say: "using molecular dynamics simulation followed by potential energy calculation to understand the dynamics of the liposome assembly and the morphology". But the potential energy is not a parameter to study structural modifications, Rg give you the details that you mention above.

Please review the english and overall drafting of the manuscript.

5. conversion of soy lecithin frommolecular modelling: from where did you obtain the value: 100 nm?

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Comments to the Author

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