Reviewer's report

Title: Chronic inhibition of tumor cell-derived VEGF enhances the malignant phenotype of colorectal cancer cells

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Major compulsory revisions
The authors report that VEGF KO cells have increased HIF-1alpha expression, which contributed to the resistance to apoptosis, but they did not provide any insight regarding the mechanism by which VEGF loss of function results in increased HIF-1alpha expression.

Level of interest: An article whose findings are important to those with closely related research interests

Quality of written English: Acceptable

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

Declaration of competing interests:
I declare that I have no competing interest