Reviewer’s report

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Reviewer: Harald Lahm

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The authors have submitted a revised version of their article on the role of IL-6 in colon carcinoma cells.

They have adequately responded to all points raised. Especially, I had mentioned several points concerning the PCR analyses. In the revised version it is now clear to comprehend how the gels in figure 1 were produced. Likewise, it is now shown that the quantification in figure 2B was performed with an appropriate reference for each cell line. Together with the statement on appropriate negative controls the authors have dismantled my concerns about these analyses.

What next?: Accept without revision

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 interests.