Reviewer's report

Title: Stimulated monocyte IL-6 secretion predicts survival of patients with head and neck squamous cell carcinoma

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General

This revised manuscript has a significant improvement both in scientific writing and data. This manuscript can be accepted for publication. ZC

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Major Compulsory Revisions (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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Minor Essential Revisions (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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Discretionary Revisions (which the author can choose to ignore)

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: Yes, but I do not feel adequately qualified to assess the statistics.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests. ZC