Reviewer's report

Title: Elevated levels of anti inflammatory Interleukin 10 and pro inflammatory interleukin 17 in malignant pleural effusions.

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Reviewer: Timotheos Kelpis

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Firstly, I would like to point that larger number of patients are needed in order to establish safer results.

Secondly, measuring interleukins - specifically IL-17 - should be measured in time intervals of 0, 6, 12 and 24 hours post-intervention, as they are very much time related.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

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