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We would like to submit a revised version of the original research article entitled “Matrix metalloproteases as maestros for the dual role of LPS- and IL-10-stimulated macrophages in cancer cell behaviour”.

As requested, the following revisions were performed:

1. Line and page numbers were included.

2. A statement concerning the approval by an ethics committee regarding research using human monocytes was included in the Materials and Methods section of the manuscript (line 154). The approval was conceded by the Ethics Committee for Health from Centro Hospitalar S. João, Porto (References 259/11 and 260/11), from where all human blood samples were provided.

Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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