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			Conflicts-of-Interest:
			<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
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SPECIFIC COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors have made an excellent job in describing the factors associated with inflammation in colorectal cancer as well as the effects of this inflammation on various organs in the body and the prognostic value of this inflammation. I have only two



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comments: 1) in the abstract the authors initiate their opening sentence talking about multicellular organisms and how they defend themselves from the environment and end up by talking about chronic illness. Even though interesting, I believe it is irrelevant and also does not reflect the introduction which does not include this description. thus I would suggest removing this part and directly initiate the abstract about the topic which is colorectal cancer. 2) the authors did not provide a description about their research methods. Please indicate the research terms used, the search engines used and the year the articles were retrieved from.

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This review article summarized the role of systemic inflammation in colorectal cancer from the aspects of underlying factors, effects, and prognostic significance. The article is well organized with sufficient figure illustration. Congratulation for this nice work.



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