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Dear Sir or Madam,

I hereby certify that, in my capacity as a native English-speaker and as first-author and co-author of more than 20 scientific articles and reviews, as well as English editor and translator for a further >40 articles, I have extensively proofread and revised the manuscript entitled "Cytomegalovirus and ulcerative colitis: the place of antiviral therapy", submitted by S Pillet *et al.*

I remain at your disposal should you require any further information in this matter,

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Lawrence', followed by a period.

Philip Lawrence