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## PEER-REVIEW REPORT

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CLASSIFICATION	LANGUAGE EVALUATION	SCIENTIFIC MISCONDUCT	CONCLUSION
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade A: Priority publishing	Google Search:	<input type="checkbox"/> Accept
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Very good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade B: Minor language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> The same title	<input type="checkbox"/> High priority for publication
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Grade C: Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade C: A great deal of language polishing	<input type="checkbox"/> Duplicate publication	<input type="checkbox"/> Rejection
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Grade D: Rejected	<input type="checkbox"/> Plagiarism	<input type="checkbox"/> Minor revision
<input type="checkbox"/> Grade E: Poor		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Major revision
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### COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

This manuscript is a huge and very detailed up-to-dated description of the present role of macrophages in gastrointestinal disorders. The article is so long and possibly exhaustive that for those not deeply involved in this field it might be difficult at the end to have a relatively clear understanding of the most critical functions of these cells. From the conclusion, we know that they are indispensable to suppress inflammation and play an essential role in maintaining homeostasis. Moreover their role in IBD and gastrointestinal tumor may be relevant but needs to be clarified. This I think is the message. As said above, the paper would be more acceptable if more concise and if , from the huge amount of data reported, it could be extrapolated or selected and emphasized the most critical ones. English language could also be improved. Nevertheless the paper is certainly a complete review of a relatively unfamiliar issue for gastroenterologists and is worth of publication, with some revisions concerning mainly a

more succinct and better summarizing construction. Looking at some details: • Introduction is too long. The last paragraph (from the word “In general”) could be avoided • At the first page of Introduction, line 13 from below, the word “insignificant” should probably be “significant” • The reference 139, which is cited twice in the text, (Mantovani A, Allavena P. The interaction of anticancer therapies with tumor-associated macrophages. The Journal of experimental medicine 2015; 212(4): 435-445) should be cited correctly with the surnames of the authors (Mantovani and Allavena) and not with their names (Alberto and Paola) • In the Conclusions, the statement: “However, they do not show weak microbicidal activities” is not clear to me. Does it mean that they show a strong microbicidal activity? In such case, the second form may be preferable. Even the word “microbicidal” is not correct.



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I read with great interest the Review Article entitled "Functional macrophages and gastrointestinal disorders" by Yue-Hong Liu et al. The manuscript is interesting. Although the Authors stated that their manuscript is aimed to discuss the potential role of macrophages in IBD and neoplastic disease, this second section is poorly represented. One alternative is that the Authors focus their manuscript on IBD rather than IBD and cancer.