

**Reviewers comments:** Ko et al describe how *Bacteroides fragilis* enterotoxin upregulates heme oxygenase-1 in dendritic cells using Nrf2 signaling pathway. This study is not entirely new as such pathway has already been described in dendritic cells triggered by *H. pylori*, as such the novelty is limited as it represents an interesting confirmation that DC utilize this pathway also with another enterotoxin (BFT) at variance with intestinal epithelial cells that utilize NF-kB and MAPK pathways as described previously by the same authors. The work is well designed, well presented and results are convincing.

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