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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The manuscript by You Lv et al. evaluates the impact caused by BFT-2 after induced oncogenesis of colorectal tumors with AOM/DSS in mice. Though the initial purpose of the study was to verify if BFT-2 was able to further stimulate cancer development, the authors found out that BFT could actually inhibit tumor formation. It was also suggested that BFT-2 lead to inhibited cell proliferation and promotion of apoptosis. Though it would be interesting to see a control group treated only with BFT, its absence should not affect the interpretation of obtained results. Overall, the study was well-designed and the findings appear to be robust. I suggest only minor revisions in the text before acceptance: 1- The author should review bacteria names to follow the right nomenclature. Genus and species should always be italicized, with the first letter of the genus in capitals. The right abbreviation should also be used (e.g.: *Bacteroides fragilis* -> *B. fragilis*, not "BF"). The first time you mention the organism you use the full name, after that only the abbreviated form. 2 - The recombinant plasmid used (Materials, page 5) was probably pET-32a, not "PTE32a". 3 - The authors should provide an ID number for the BFT gene used (Materials, page 5), so others can have access to the sequence if needed.



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4 - Typo on page 8, 2nd line: DEME -> DMEM. 5 - Authors use "ug" for microgram. The correct symbol should be used. 6 - Overall, the methodology should be more detailed or contain more references to allow easy replication.