**Title: Vagus nerve stimulation promotes epithelial proliferation and controls colon monocyte infiltration during DSS-induced colitis**

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**Supplementary information**

**Supplementary Table1. Primer sequences used for qRT-PCR**

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| ***Gene*** | ***Sense*** | ***Antisense*** |
| ***Rpl32*** | 5’-AAGCGAAACTGGCGGAAAC-3’ | 5’-TAACCGATGTTGGGCATCAG-3’ |
| ***Il6*** | 5’-CCATAGCTACCTGGAGTACATG-3’ | 5’-TGGAAATTGGGGTAGGAAGGAC-3’ |
| ***Tnfα*** | 5’-TCTTCTCATTCCTGCTTGTGG-3’ | 5’-CACTTGGTGGTTTGCTACGA-3’ |
| ***Arg1*** | 5’-TCACCTGAGCTTTGATGTCG-3’ | 5’-TTATGGTTACCCTCCCGTTG-3’ |
| ***Ccl8*** | 5’-TCTACGCAGTGCTTCTTTGC-3’ | 5’-ATACCCTGCTTGGTCTGGAA-3’ |
| ***Cxcl1*** | 5’- GCTGGGATTCACCTCAAGAA-3’ | 5’-TCTCCGTTACTTGGGGACAC-3’ |



**Supplementary Figure 1. Gating strategy of the immune profile characterization of the inflammatory response during prophylactic VNS treatment.** (A) Representative expression of DAPI and CD11b (left column), Ly6G and CD11b (mid-left column), SiglecF and CD11b (mid column), Ly6C and MHCII (mid-right column) and MHCII and CD169 (right column) from colon of Sham- and VNS-treated mice 3 days post VNS.