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Title: Serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels Is Associated with Carotid Atherosclerosis in Normotensive and Euglycemic Chinese Postmenopausal women: The Shanghai Changfeng Study

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Dear Editors:

As regular readers of BMC Cardiovascular Disorders, we would like to submit our manuscript entitled Serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D levels Is Associated with Carotid Atherosclerosis in Normotensive and Euglycemic Chinese Postmenopausal women: The Shanghai Changfeng Study for publication in your journal. This paper is a research article.

Previous studies have indicated that there are considerable debates about the association between serum 25-hydroxyvitamin D (25(OH)D) and carotid atherosclerosis, and less is known in Chinese. Notwithstanding previous researchers adjusted for the impact of confounding factors involving hyperglycemia and hypertension, it is possible that residual confounding factors exist because of chronic effect of increased blood glucose and high blood pressure themselves. In contrast, our study was conducted in a population with NGT and non-hypertension. In this paper, we found the 25(OH)D is independently associated with carotid atherosclerosis in normotensive and euglycemic postmenopausal women and an elevated 25(OH)D could be an easily measurable marker of carotid atherosclerosis for postmenopausal women.

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