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Re: Association of sICAM-1 and MCP-1 with Coronary Artery Calcification in the NHLBI Family Heart Study Follow-up Examination

Dear Dr. Norton:

On behalf of my co-authors, I thank you for your careful review of a revision of the above-referenced manuscript.

Based on review #2’s suggestion, we have changed the title to “Association of sICAM-1 and MCP-1 with coronary artery calcification in families enriched for coronary heart disease or hypertension: the NHLBI Family Heart Study”. This new title reflects the sampling frame of the FHS population in which half of the white families were ascertained randomly and the other half selected for a positive family history of coronary heart disease and the African American families were recruited from hypertensive sibships from the Hypertension Genetic Epidemiology Network Study and their first-degree relatives.

Thank you very much in advance for your careful consideration of our revised manuscript.

Sincerely yours,

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