

## Supplementary Tables

**Supplementary Table 1: List of abbreviations**

Abbreviations	Full description
AIC	Akaike information criterion
Alb	Albumin
Apo AI	Apolipoprotein AI
Apo B	Apolipoprotein B
AUC	Area Under the Curve
BIC	Bayesian information criterion
BMI	Body Mass Index
CIMT	intima-media thickness
CRP	C-Reactive Protein
Glu	Glucose
Hb	Hemoglobin
HDL	High-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol
IL-6	Interleukin-6
LDL	Low-Density Lipoprotein Cholesterol
PCT	Procalcitonin
ROC	Receiver Operating Characteristic
TC	Total Cholesterol
TFQI	Thyroid Feedback Quantile-based Index
TG	Triglycerides
TSH	Thyroid-Stimulating Hormone
TSHI	Thyroid-Stimulating Hormone Index
TT4RI	Thyrotroph T4 Resistance Index

**Supplementary Table 2: Calculation of Thyroid Sensitivity Indices**

TSHI	TSH index	$TSHI = \ln TSH + 0.1345 * FT4$
TT4RI	Thyrotroph T4 Resistance Index	$TT4RI = FT4 * TSH$
TFQI	Thyroid Feedback Quantile-based Index	$TFQI = cdf FT4 - (1 - cdf TSH)$

Note: cdf represents the cumulative distribution function.

**Supplementary Table 3: Vulnerable Plaque Score Data Sheet for Both Groups of Patients**

Total Scores	Total Cases (n=131)
0	11
1	21
2	33
3	37
4	29
Stable plaques (Scores≤2)	65

**Supplementary Table 4: Results of covariance diagnosis**

Features	Variance Inflation Factor (VIF)	Tolerance
Gender	1.63	0.61
Age	1.63	0.61
BMI	1.96	0.51
Smoking history	1.94	0.52
Alcohol history	2.04	0.49
Hypertension	1.48	0.67
Type 2 diabetes	1.84	0.54
Stroke	1.33	0.75
Alb	1.64	0.61
Glu	1.54	0.65
TG	8.63	0.12
<b>TC</b>	<b>128.05</b>	<b>0.01</b>
<b>HDL</b>	<b>12.11</b>	<b>0.08</b>
<b>LDL</b>	<b>107.77</b>	<b>0.01</b>
Apo AI	4.24	0.24
<b>Apo B</b>	<b>27.70</b>	<b>0.04</b>
CRP	1.49	0.67
Hb	1.83	0.55
PCT	1.62	0.62
IL-6	2.59	0.39
D-dimer	1.60	0.63
<b>TSH</b>	<b>67.68</b>	<b>0.01</b>
FT3	2.00	0.50
<b>FT4</b>	<b>30.17</b>	<b>0.03</b>
<b>TSHI</b>	<b>20.08</b>	<b>0.05</b>
<b>TT4RI</b>	<b>59.99</b>	<b>0.02</b>
<b>TFQI</b>	<b>41.24</b>	<b>0.02</b>

**Supplementary Table 5: Performance of different models based on Lasso-logistic regression**

Model	AUC	P	95%CI	Threshold	Accuracy	Sensitivity	Specificity
Model1:IL6	0.61	0.026	0.52-0.71	0.45	0.61	0.80	0.42
Model2:TSH	0.72	<.001	0.62-0.81	0.47	0.73	0.73	0.72
Model3:TSHI	0.73	<.001	0.64-0.82	0.54	0.72	0.65	0.78
Model4:TT4RI	0.73	<.001	0.64-0.82	0.45	0.73	0.77	0.68
Model5:IL6+TSH	0.74	<.001	0.66-0.83	0.48	0.75	0.73	0.77
<b>Model6:IL6+TSHI</b>	<b>0.77</b>	<b>&lt;.001</b>	<b>0.68-0.85</b>	<b>0.46</b>	<b>0.79</b>	<b>0.85</b>	<b>0.72</b>
Model7:IL6+TT4RI	0.76	<.001	0.67-0.84	0.42	0.76	0.80	0.72

<b>Model8:</b> TSH+TSHI	0.73	<.001	0.64-0.82	0.47	0.73	0.77	0.68
<b>Model9:</b> TSH+TT4RI	0.73	<.001	0.64-0.82	0.47	0.72	0.71	0.72
<b>Model10:</b> TSHI+TT4RI	0.73	<.001	0.64-0.82	0.43	0.73	0.82	0.63
<b>Model11:</b> IL6+TSH+TSHI	0.77	<.001	0.68-0.85	0.45	0.77	0.82	0.72
<b>Model12:</b> IL6+TSH+TT4RI	0.76	<.001	0.67-0.84	0.47	0.76	0.76	0.75
<b>Model13:</b> IL6+TSHI+TT4RI	0.77	<.001	0.69-0.85	0.46	0.78	0.79	0.77
<b>Model14:</b> TSH+TSHI+TT4RI	0.73	<.001	0.64-0.82	0.47	0.73	0.77	0.68
<b>Model15:</b> IL6+TSH+TSHI+TT4RI	0.77	<.001	0.69-0.85	0.45	0.78	0.85	0.71