

Additional file 1. Changes in lipid levels and carotid plaque height in the RORA-AS study

	Baseline Mean \pm SD	18 months Mean \pm SD	Mean difference (95% CI)	p-value
CP height (mm)	1.93 \pm 0.53	1.73 \pm 0.49	-0.20 (-0.28, -0.12)	<0.001
c-IMT (mm)	0.72 \pm 0.15	0.71 \pm 0.14	-0.01 (-0.03, 0.01)	0.21
LDL-cholesterol (mmol/L)	4.01 \pm 1.01	1.71 \pm 0.42	-2.30 (-2.48, -2.11)	<0.001
HDL-cholesterol (mmol/L)	1.71 \pm 0.50	1.78 \pm 0.51	0.07 (0.00, 0.14)	0.05
Triglycerides (mmol/L)	1.45 \pm 0.83	1.08 \pm 0.45	-0.37 (-0.51, -0.22)	<0.001
Total cholesterol (mmol/L)	6.35 \pm 1.11	3.97 \pm 0.64	-2.38 (-2.59, -2.17)	<0.001

SD: Standard deviation of the mean, CI: Confidence interval, CP: Carotid plaque, c-IMT: carotid intima-media thickness, LDL: Low-density lipoprotein, HDL: High-density lipoprotein.