

Supplemental table 1. Characteristics of CARDIA women with detailed reproductive histories and measures of high sensitivity C-reactive protein at year 25 according to prevalent hypertension status

Characteristics	Prevalent hypertension		p-value
	Yes n=586	No n=1039	
Age, years	50.6 (3.5)	50.0 (3.7)	0.001
Black race, %	70.5	35.4	< 0.001
Years of schooling	14.4 (2.5)	15.6 (2.5)	< 0.001
Current cigarette smoking, %	18.3	12.7	0.002
Current alcohol use, %	69.3	80.6	<0.0001
Physical activity, %			< 0.001
≤ 100 exercise units	35.7	20.1	
100.1 - 222.0 exercise units	25.3	24.5	
222.1 - 408.0 exercise units	22.9	25.9	
>408.0 exercise units	16.2	29.6	
Grand multiparity (5 or more births), %	3.6	1.9	0.04
Menopause stage, %			< 0.001
Premenopause	13.0	21.1	
Perimenopause	45.9	42.6	
Post menopause	41.1	36.3	
Cholesterol lowering medicine use, %	27.1	6.6	< 0.001
Diabetes mellitus, %	22.2	4.0	< 0.001
High density lipoprotein cholesterol, mg/dl	60.2 (18.2)	64.1 (18.0)	< 0.001
Total cholesterol, mg/dl	191.4 (39.1)	194.9 (35.5)	0.061
Body mass index, kg/m <sup>2</sup>	34.4 (8.6)	28.7 (7.0)	< 0.001
Waist circumference, cm	99.2 (16.9)	86.7 (14.4)	< 0.001
High sensitivity C-reactive protein*, µg/ml	2.9 (3.7)	1.3 (3.4)	< 0.001

Values are expressed as means (SD) unless otherwise indicated; *p*-values were determined using chi-squared test for categorical variables and 2-sample T-test for continuous variables. \*Values are geometric means. Hs-CRP was measured in microgram/ml. Exercise units, refers to a weighted sum, based on the intensity of activity and the number of months of less frequent participation, plus three times the number the number of months of “frequent participation”<sup>14</sup>.