

SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIAL

Table S1. Correlations between serum LBP levels and other variables (n=2,568), 2002.

Variable	Unadjusted		Adjusted for age and sex	
	Correlation coefficient	P	Correlation coefficient	P
Age	0.19	<0.0001	-	-
Male sex	0.10	<0.0001	-	-
Systolic blood pressure	0.17	<0.0001	0.11	<0.0001
Diastolic blood pressure	0.15	<0.0001	0.13	<0.0001
Use of antihypertensive agents	0.14	<0.0001	0.09	<0.0001
Diabetes mellitus	0.13	<0.0001	0.10	<0.0001
Serum total cholesterol	0.08	<0.0001	0.11	<0.0001
Serum HDL cholesterol	-0.17	<0.0001	-0.14	<0.0001
Serum triglycerides (log-transformed)	0.19	<0.0001	0.18	<0.0001
Use of lipid-modifying agents	0.06	0.002	0.04	0.07
Body mass index	0.17	<0.0001	0.20	<0.0001
Estimated glomerular filtration rate	-0.10	<0.0001	-0.04	0.07
Electrocardiogram abnormality	0.09	<0.0001	0.04	0.05
Smoking habits	0.03	0.16	0.03	0.19
Alcohol intake	-0.001	0.97	-0.01	0.73
Regular exercise	0.01	0.51	-0.01	0.88
HOMA-IR (log-transformed)	0.16	<0.0001	0.18	<0.0001
Serum hs-CRP (log-transformed)	0.62	<0.0001	0.60	<0.0001

HDL, high-density lipoprotein; HOMA-IR, homeostasis model assessment of insulin resistance; hs-CRP, high-sensitivity C-reactive protein; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein

The correlation coefficient was assessed by Pearson's correlation for continuous variables or Spearman's rank correlation for categorical variables.

Table S2. Association between serum lipopolysaccharide-binding protein levels and the development of cardiovascular disease and its subtypes after excluding the subjects with white blood cell count of $\geq 8600/\mu\text{L}$ (n=2,432), 2002-2012.

LBP ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	Persons at risk	No. of events	Hazard ratio (95% CI)
			Multivariable-adjusted*
Cardiovascular disease			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	623	22	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	621	32	1.06 (0.61-1.83)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	610	50	1.56 (0.93-2.60)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	578	66	1.94 (1.18-3.20)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.01
Per 1-SD increment in serum LBP concentrations	2432	170	1.25 (1.08-1.44)
Coronary heart disease			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	623	10	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	621	14	0.99 (0.43-2.25)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	610	30	1.80 (0.86-3.76)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	578	27	1.46 (0.69-3.08)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.20
Per 1-SD increment in serum LBP concentrations	2432	81	1.25 (1.01-1.53)
Stroke			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	623	13	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	621	21	1.17 (0.58-2.36)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	610	22	1.23 (0.61-2.48)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	578	45	2.47 (1.30-4.68)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.003
Per 1-SD increment in serum LBP concentrations	2432	101	1.27 (1.06-1.53)

CI, confidence interval; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein

*Adjusted for age, sex, systolic blood pressure, use of antihypertensive agents, diabetes mellitus, serum total cholesterol, serum high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, serum triglycerides, use of lipid-modifying agents, body mass index, estimated glomerular filtration rate, electrocardiogram abnormalities, smoking habits, alcohol intake, and regular exercise.

Table S3. Association between serum lipopolysaccharide-binding protein levels and the development of cardiovascular disease and its subtypes after excluding the subjects who died due to fatal infection during the follow-up (n=2,522), 2002-2012.

LBP ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	Persons at risk	No. of events	Hazard ratio (95% CI)
			Multivariable-adjusted*
Cardiovascular disease			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	635	23	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	629	30	0.95 (0.55-1.65)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	628	52	1.51 (0.91-2.50)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	630	66	1.74 (1.06-2.84)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.02
Per 1-SD increment in serum LBP concentrations	2522	171	1.21 (1.05-1.39)
Coronary heart disease			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	635	10	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	629	13	0.92 (0.40-2.13)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	628	32	1.89 (0.91-3.91)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	630	26	1.30 (0.61-2.75)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.10
Per 1-SD increment in serum LBP concentrations	2522	81	1.16 (0.94-1.43)
Stroke			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	635	14	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	629	21	1.09 (0.55-2.16)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	628	24	1.20 (0.61-2.36)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	630	44	2.09 (1.12-3.90)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.02
Per 1-SD increment in serum LBP concentrations	2522	103	1.24 (1.03-1.49)

CI, confidence interval; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein

*Adjusted for age, sex, systolic blood pressure, use of antihypertensive agents, diabetes mellitus, serum total cholesterol, serum high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, serum triglycerides, use of lipid-modifying agents, body mass index, estimated glomerular filtration rate, electrocardiogram abnormalities, smoking habits, alcohol intake, and regular exercise.

Table S4. Risk of cardiovascular disease and its subtypes according to serum lipopolysaccharide-binding protein levels using the method proposed by Fine and Gray (n=2,568), 2002-2012.

LBP ($\mu\text{g/mL}$)	Persons at risk	No. of events	Hazard ratio (95% CI)
			Multivariable-adjusted*
Cardiovascular disease			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	641	23	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	643	33	1.02 (0.59-1.76)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	639	52	1.52 (0.91-2.51)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	645	72	1.94 (1.20-3.16)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.005
Coronary heart disease			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	641	10	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	643	15	1.02 (0.45-2.28)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	639	32	1.88 (0.90-3.93)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	645	30	1.54 (0.73-3.24)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.15
Stroke			
Q1 (2.20-9.68)	641	14	1.00 (Reference)
Q2 (9.69-10.93)	643	22	1.12 (0.56-2.28)
Q3 (10.94-12.40)	639	24	1.23 (0.62-2.44)
Q4 (12.41-24.34)	645	48	2.34 (1.26-4.38)
<i>P</i> for trend			0.004

CI, confidence interval; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein

*Adjusted for age, sex, systolic blood pressure, use of antihypertensive agents, diabetes mellitus, serum total cholesterol, serum high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, serum triglycerides, use of lipid-modifying agents, body mass index, estimated glomerular filtration rate, electrocardiogram abnormalities, smoking habits, alcohol intake, and regular exercise.

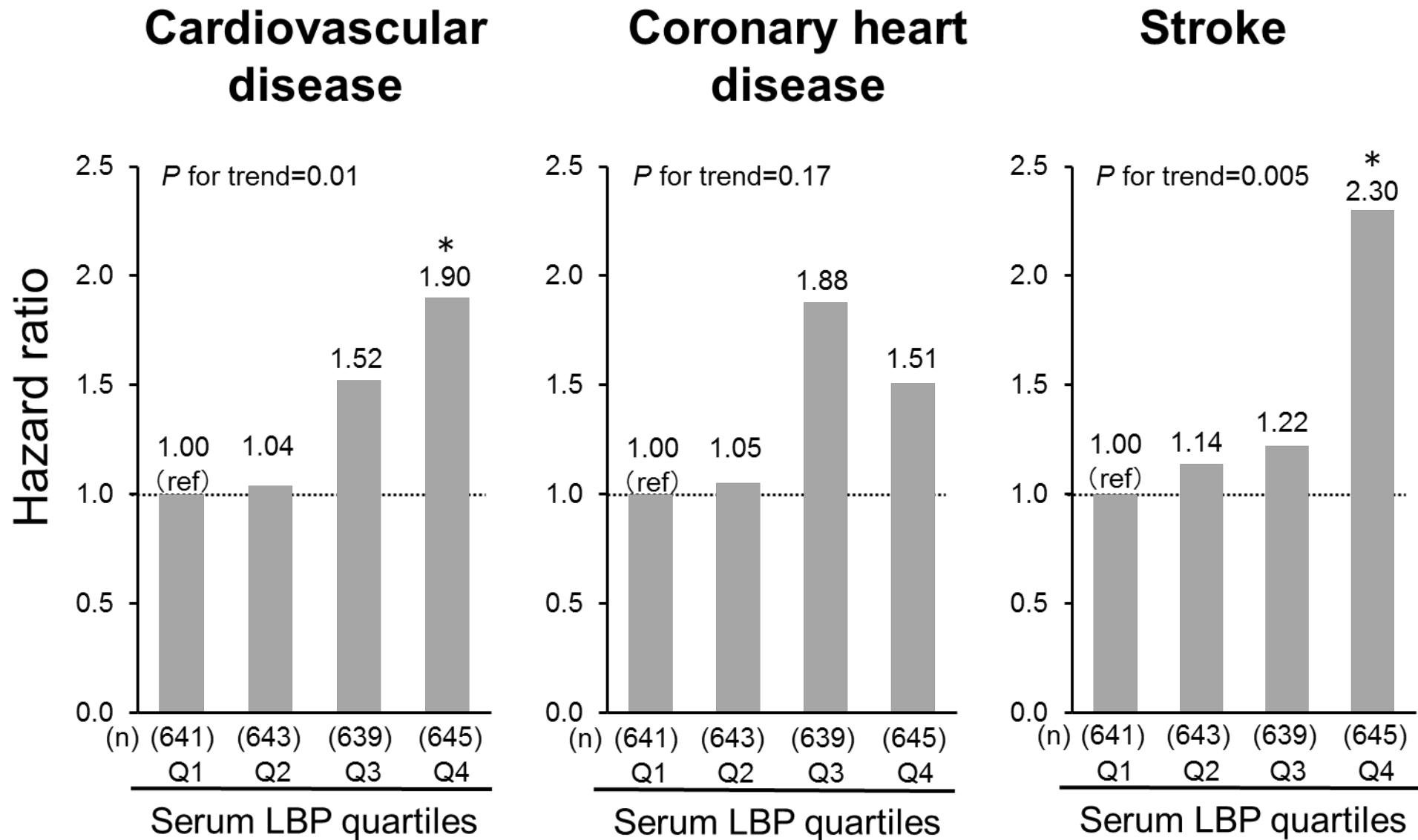
Table S5. Multivariable-adjusted hazard ratios per 1-SD increment in serum lipopolysaccharide-binding protein level for cardiovascular disease according to amount of alcohol consumption among subjects with available data (n=2,551), 2002-2012.

Subgroups	Persons at risk	No. of events	Hazard ratio (95% CI) per 1-SD increment in serum LBP	P for heterogeneity
Alcohol intake_No	1432	104	1.36 (1.14-1.61)	
Alcohol intake_Yes				0.16
<18g ethanol/day	541	39	1.04 (0.72-1.48)	
≥18g ethanol/day	578	37	1.13 (0.83-1.54)	

CI, confidence interval; LBP, lipopolysaccharide-binding protein; SD, standard deviation

The model was adjusted for age, sex, systolic blood pressure, use of antihypertensive agents, diabetes mellitus, serum total cholesterol, serum high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, serum triglycerides, use of lipid-modifying agents, body mass index, estimated glomerular filtration rate, electrocardiogram abnormalities, smoking habits, and regular exercise.

Figure S1. Risk of cardiovascular disease and its subtypes according to serum lipopolysaccharide-binding protein levels (n=2,568), 2002-2012.



Q1 to Q4 indicate ascending quartiles of LBP levels (Q1: 2.20-9.68 µg/mL; Q2: 9.69-10.93 µg/mL; Q3: 10.94-12.40 µg/mL; Q4: 12.41-24.34 µg/mL).

*P<0.05 vs Q1.

The hazard ratios were adjusted for age, sex, systolic blood pressure, use of antihypertensive agents, diabetes mellitus, serum total cholesterol, serum high-density lipoprotein cholesterol, serum triglycerides, use of lipid-modifying agents, body mass index, estimated glomerular filtration rate, electrocardiogram abnormalities, smoking habits, alcohol intake, and regular exercise.