## **Supplemental Data**

## Table 1. Patient Survey Elements Regarding Perceptions of Statin Medications

Question	Response Choices
People with high cholesterol are more likely to have a heart attack or stroke than people with low cholesterol.	Strongly Disagree Disagree Neither Agree or Disagree Agree, Strongly Agree Don't Know/Not Sure
People don't need to worry about their cholesterol if they have never had a heart attack or other heart problem.	
Statin medications are effective in reducing the risk of heart disease and stroke	
Statins are safe medications	
I think statins can cause diabetes	
I think statins can cause muscle aches or pain	
I think statins can cause hair loss	
I think statins can cause liver damage	
I think statins can cause memory loss	
I think statins can cause problems with sexual function	
Have you experienced any of the following symptoms while taking a statin? Please select all that apply.	Muscle aches/cramps Memory loss, forgetfulness, confusion Weakness Nausea/vomiting/stomach upset Constipation Fatigue Hives/itching Other (free text) I have not experienced any symptoms I don't know/can't remember
Did you try any of these methods to reduce or avoid these symptoms? Please elect all that apply.	Reduced the dose Reduced how often I take it Temporarily stopped taking it Switched to another statin Added another medication to help relieve side effects of statin (e.g. Coenzyme Q10) Reduced exercise Other I didn't do anything