

## ARIC Manuscript Proposal #2063

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1.a. **Full Title:** LpPLA2 and venous thromboembolism

b. **Abbreviated Title (Length 26 characters):** LpPLA2 and VTE

2. **Writing Group:**

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I, the first author, confirm that all the coauthors have given their approval for this manuscript proposal. \_\_AF\_\_ [**please confirm with your initials electronically or in writing**]

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3. **Timeline:** start immediately

4. **Rationale:**

Inflammation is generally not believed to be important in the etiology of venous thromboembolism (VTE). For example, most (1-3) but not all studies (4,5) have found no independent association of VTE with CRP. Yet, certain rheumatologic diseases are associated with increased risk of VTE.

Lipoprotein associated phospholipase A2 (LpPLA2) is another biomarker related to thrombosis and inflammation status. LpPLA2 has been associated positively with CHD and stroke incidence in ARIC (6,7). However, we found no relation of LpPLA2 and VTE in the Cardiovascular Health Study (8). This association has not been explored in ARIC.

If, as in CHS, we observe no association, we anticipate submitting our findings as a brief report or letter.

## **5. Main Hypothesis/Study Questions:**

LpPLA2 at visit 4 is associated positively with incidence of VTE.

## **6. Design and analysis (study design, inclusion/exclusion, outcome and other variables of interest with specific reference to the time of their collection, summary of data analysis, and any anticipated methodologic limitations or challenges if present).**

Design: cohort

Endpoint: VTE incidence

Exposure: visit 4 LpPLA2 activity

Exclusions: VTE prior to visit 4, anticoagulant use, missing LpPLA2

Main covariates: visit 4 age, race, sex, HRT, BMI, diabetes, eGFR, CRP; visit 1 factor VIII and aPTT

Analysis: Cox proportional hazards, with LpPLA2 modeled as a continuous variable and as quartiles. LpPLA2 differs considerably by race and sex, so quartiles may have to be sex/race specific.

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**7.a. Will the data be used for non-CVD analysis in this manuscript?**     Yes  
 No

**b. If Yes, is the author aware that the file ICTDER03 must be used to exclude persons with a value RES\_OTH = "CVD Research" for non-DNA analysis, and for DNA analysis RES\_DNA = "CVD Research" would be used?**   

Yes     No

(This file ICTDER has been distributed to ARIC PIs, and contains the responses to consent updates related to stored sample use for research.)

**8.a. Will the DNA data be used in this manuscript?**  
 Yes     No

**8.b. If yes, is the author aware that either DNA data distributed by the Coordinating Center must be used, or the file ICTDER03 must be used to exclude those with value RES\_DNA = "No use/storage DNA"?**  
 Yes     No

**9. The lead author of this manuscript proposal has reviewed the list of existing ARIC Study manuscript proposals and has found no overlap between this proposal and previously approved manuscript proposals either published or still in active status.** ARIC Investigators have access to the publications lists under the Study Members Area of the web site at: <http://www.csc.unc.edu/ARIC/search.php>

Yes     No

**10. What are the most related manuscript proposals in ARIC (authors are encouraged to contact lead authors of these proposals for comments on the new proposal or collaboration)?**

