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1.a. Full Title: Dairy Consumption and Body Mass Index (BMI): Mendelian Randomization and Gene-diet Interaction Analyses

b. Abbreviated Title (Length 26 characters): Dairy, BMI, Gene, Interaction

2. Writing Group: This proposal will include data from the CHARGE consortium, ARIC, and eight other cohorts: [Please insert the name of the cohorts].

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Note: More coauthors will be included in this study based on contribution.

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3. Timeline:

Each cohort will complete their Mendelian randomization and gene-diet interaction analyses and provide their results to Tao Huang as soon as possible. Subsequently, an analyst from Harvard University will conduct the meta-analysis.

4. Rationale:

Dairy consumption has been consistently related to decreased body weight (1,2). However, it is not known whether this association reflects causality, since confounding from lifestyle and socioeconomic factors are difficult to fully take into account in classical observational epidemiological studies. Mendelian Randomization is a newly-developed analytical method addressing causality inference by combining genetic and epidemiological approaches (3). In order to assess the causal relation between dairy consumption and body weight, we plan a Mendelian Randomization analysis.

- 1) Chen M, Pan A, Malik VS, Hu FB. Effects of dairy intake on body weight and fat: a meta-analysis of randomized controlled trials. *Am J Clin Nutr.* 2012 Oct;96(4):735-47. Epub 2012 Aug 29.
- 2) Abargouei AS, Janghorbani M, Salehi-Marzjarani M, Esmailzadeh A. Effect of dairy consumption on weight and body composition in adults: a systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized controlled clinical trials. *Int J Obes (Lond).* 2012 Dec;36(12):1485-93. doi: 10.1038/ijo.2011.269. Epub 2012 Jan 17.
- 3) Qi L. Mendelian randomization in nutritional epidemiology. *Nutr Rev.* 2009 Aug;67(8):439-50. doi: 10.1111/j.1753-4887.2009.00218.x.

5. Main Hypothesis/Study Questions:

The main aim of the proposed investigation is to examine the causal effect of dairy consumption on body weight using an established SNP (rs4988235) as the instrumental variable.

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).

Study Criteria

- Sample size: ≥ 500
- Follow-up time: ≥ 2 years (*No limitation to maximal follow-up time, please use 10 years as maximal follow-up time if there are repeated measures over time*).

The following analysis plan is for **additive model** for dairy-SNP.

Please also repeat the analysis in **dominant model** (CC vs CT+TT), and **recessive model** (CC+CT vs TT).

Part 1: Mendelian Randomization

Exposure, Outcome, and Instrumental Variable

- **Outcome:** BMI at endpoint (kg/m^2) (follow-up ≥ 2 years)
- **Exposure:** baseline total dairy consumption
 - Total dairy products included 'skim/low fat milk', 'whole milk', 'ice cream', 'yogurt', 'cottage/ricotta cheese', 'cream cheese', 'other cheese', and 'cream'.
- **Instrumental variable:** SNP (rs4988235)
 - SNP rs4988235 Code: TT=2, CT=1, CC=0; T allele is associated with lactase persistence. Please treat SNP as continuous variable.
- **Covariates:** sex, ethnicity, region, years of follow-up, and other baseline covariates if available (age, BMI, smoking status (current vs. former/never), physical activity, total energy intake (kcal), and alcohol consumption).

Note: for covariate region: if the study includes several countries, or USA study includes several states, please control region.

1) Association between SNP and outcome of BMI

Multivariate-adjusted linear model:

BMI ~ SNP + covariates (age, sex, ethnicity, region)

2) Association between SNP and baseline dairy intake as an outcome

Multivariate-adjusted linear model:

Total dairy consumption ~ SNP + covariates (age, sex, ethnicity, region)

3) Association between dairy consumption and outcome of BMI

Multivariate-adjusted linear model:

BMI ~ **total dairy consumption** + covariates

Covariates: sex, ethnicity, region, years of follow-up, and other baseline covariates if available (age, BMI, smoking status, physical activity, total energy intake, and alcohol intake).

Part 2. Gene-Diet Interaction

In this part, we propose to analyze the interaction of rs4988235 and dairy consumption on BMI.

Exposure, Outcome, and Instrumental Variable

- **Outcomes:** BMI at endpoint (kg/m^2) (follow-up > 2 years)
- **Diet:** Total dairy consumption [3 categories (tertile1, tertile2, and tertile3) and continuous]
- **Total dairy products** included ‘skim/low fat milk’, ‘whole milk’, ‘ice cream’, ‘yogurt’, ‘cottage/ricotta cheese’, ‘cream cheese’, ‘other cheese’, and ‘cream’.
- **Genetic variable:** SNP (rs4988235): TT=2, CT=1, CC=0; T allele is associated with lactase persistence. (*please treat SNP as continuous variable in all models*)
- **Covariates:** sex, ethnicity, region, years of follow-up, and other baseline covariates if available (age, BMI, smoking status, physical activity, total energy intake, and alcohol intake).

Step 1. Interaction model for BMI as an outcome

BMI ~ SNP + Dairy consumption + SNP*Dairy consumption + covariates

- Dairy consumption: continuous variable.
- SNP (rs4988235): TT=2, CT=1, CC=0; T allele is associated with lactase persistence. Please treat SNP as continuous variable.
- Covariates: sex, ethnicity, region, years of follow-up, and other baseline covariates if available (age, BMI, smoking status, physical activity, total energy intake, and alcohol intake).

Step 2. Stratified analysis on the association between dairy consumption tertiles and the outcome of BMI by SNP (rs4988235)

Please split the data into three subgroups based on tertiles of dairy consumption.

BMI ~ SNP + covariates

- SNP (rs4988235): TT=2, CT=1, CC=0; T allele is associated with lactase persistence. Please treat SNP as continuous variable.
- Covariates: sex, ethnicity, region, years of follow-up, and other baseline covariates if available (age, BMI, smoking status, physical activity, total energy intake, and alcohol intake).

Step 3. Stratified analysis on the association between SNP and the outcome of BMI by dairy consumption

Please split the data into three subgroups based on the status of SNP rs4988235 (TT, CT, CC)

BMI ~ Dairy consumption + covariates

- Dairy consumption: (continuous)
- Covariates: sex, ethnicity, region, years of follow-up, and other baseline covariates if available (age, BMI, smoking status, physical activity, total energy intake, and alcohol intake).

7.a. Will the data be used for non-CVD analysis in this manuscript? ___ Yes ___X___ 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 (We use the genotypic data for SNP rs4988235)

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)?

MS 1005: Associations of dietary calcium, dairy foods and calcium supplementation with anthropometry (lead: E. Nowicki)

MS 1248r: Does the UCP2 Ala55Val Polymorphism Influence the Relation between Dairy Consumption and Weight and Diabetes Risk in a Bi-Ethnic Sample of Adults from the Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) Study (lead: G. George)

11.a. Is this manuscript proposal associated with any ARIC ancillary studies or use any ancillary study data? Yes No

11.b. If yes, is the proposal

A. primarily the result of an ancillary study (list number* _____)

B. primarily based on ARIC data with ancillary data playing a minor role (usually control variables; list number(s)* _____)

*ancillary studies are listed by number at <http://www.csc.unc.edu/atic/forms/>

12a. Manuscript preparation is expected to be completed in one to three years. If a manuscript is not submitted for ARIC review at the end of the 3-years from the date of the approval, the manuscript proposal will expire.

In one year

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