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To: Moyses Szklo, MD, A. Richey Sharrett, MD From: Kelly J. Hunt, PhD Date: February 16, 2000 Subject: ARIC Manuscript 500

Attached, for your review, please find ARIC MS 500, titled "Acoustic Shadowing on Bmode ultrasound of the carotid artery predicts CHD: The Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) study." At this time I would like to submit the manuscript for review by NHLE0I and the ARIC Publications Committee. All of the listed co-authors have reviewed the manuscript; further, throughout the development of the manuscript, Lloyd Chambless has been involved with the statistical and computational aspects of the manuscript, and does not believe that the manuscript needs to undergo official analysis.

The original ARIC manuscript proposal 500 encompassed both CHD and stroke events; however, the writing group believes that each of the topics is better served by a separate manuscript. This manuscript represents the first paper based on ARIC MS 500. M this time I would like to ask approval to split ARIC MS 500 into two papers, the first dealing CHD as an outcome and the second manuscript dealing with ischemic stroke as an outcome. The second manuscript is currently titled "Acoustic shadowing on B-mode ultrasound of the carotid artery predicts ischemic stroke: The Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities (ARIC) study." Finally, Charles Tegeler and Andrew Brown are members of the writing group for ARIC MS 500, and they will remain co-authors on the manuscript involving Ischemic stroke as an outcome; however, I had to remove them as co-authors on the current manuscript involving CHD as an outcome.

Because I am now living in France, If you have any questions it is probably easiest to contact me by email (hunt@iarc.fr). However, following the review process please send any comments to Gerardo Heiss.

Thank you, Kelly Hunt