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Dear Dr Shicheng Guo

The above manuscript, entitled "Metallothionein 2A -5 A/G Core Promoter and Interleukin-6 -174 G/C Promoter Region Polymorphisms and Their Effects on Atherosclerosis" with Miss Kayaaltı as contact author has been submitted for consideration for publication in BiOMARKERS.

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## MANUSCRIPT DETAILS

TITLE: Metallothionein 2A -5 A/G Core Promoter and Interleukin-6 -174 G/C Promoter Region Polymorphisms and Their Effects on Atherosclerosis

AUTHORS: Sahiner, Levent; Kayaaltı, Zeliha; Tokgözoğlu, Lale; Soylemezoğlu, Tulin

ABSTRACT: Objective: The aim of this study was to determine whether single nucleotide polymorphisms of metallothionein 2A(MT2A) -5A/G core promoter and interleukin-6(IL-6) -174G/C promoter region were associated with risk of atherosclerosis.

Materials and Methods: 194 patients and 198 healthy controls were included. Gene polymorphisms were determined by PCR-RFLP and zinc level was analyzed FSAAS.

Results: Frequency of MT2A G(+) genotype was higher among patients than control group(p<0.01). IL-6 G/G genotype was significantly more frequent among patients when compared to the controls(p<0.001). Plasma zinc

level is higher in control group compared to patient group(p<0.05).

Conclusion: IL-6 -174G/C and MT2A -5A/G polymorphisms are associated with increased risk of atherosclerosis. Coexistence of disadvantageous genotypes for both genes MT2A G(+)/IL-6 C(-) was associated with 5.8 times increased risk of CAD, compared to subjects with advantageous genotype (MT2A G(-)/IL-6 C(+). These results indicate that IL-6 and MT2A gene polymorphisms may be candidate genetic markers for atherosclerosis.

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