

**Table S1.** Medication in patients included to the analysis

	<b>Patients included to the analysis (n=587)</b>	<b>Patients with stable plaques (n=332)</b>	<b>Patients with progressive plaques (n=255)</b>
<b>Antihypertensives; n (%)</b>	458 (78.0)	251 (75.6)	207 (81.2)
<b>Beta-blockers; n (%)</b>	287 (48.9)	139 (41.9)	148 (58.0)
<b>Calcium channel blockers; n (%)</b>	191 (32.5)	117 (35.2)	74 (29.0)
<b>Angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitors; n (%)</b>	114 (19.4)	57 (17.2)	65 (25.5)
<b>Angiotensin-II-receptor antagonists; n (%)</b>	162 (27.6)	76 (22.9)	80 (31.4)
<b>Diuretics; n (%)</b>	229 (39.0)	120 (36.1)	109 (42.7)
<b>Other; n (%)</b>	28 (4.8)	13 (3.9)	15 (5.9)
<b>Peroral antidiabetics; n (%)</b>	85 (14.5)	45 (13.6)	40 (15.7)
<b>Insulin; n (%)</b>	43 (7.3)	31 (9.3)	12 (4.7)
<b>Statins; n (%)</b>	325 (55.4)	176 (53.0)	149 (58.4)
<b>Fibrate; n (%)</b>	6 (1.0)	2 (0.6)	4 (1.6)
<b>Ezetimibe; n (%)</b>	21 (3.6)	6 (1.8)	15 (5.9)
<b>Antiplatelet drugs; n (%)</b>	214 (36.5)	97 (29.2)	117 (45.9)
<b>Anticoagulants; n (%)</b>	64 (10.9)	37 (11.1)	27 (10.6)

**Table 2.** Univariate logistic regression analyses for carotid plaque progression stratified for males and females

	Male sex			Female sex		
	OR	95% CI	P value	OR	95% CI	P value
<b>Age (per 1 year)</b>	1.032	1.006–1.058	0.016	1.043	1.014–1.073	0.003
<b>Weight (per 1 kg)</b>	0.982	0.963–1.002	0.076	0.992	0.975–1.008	0.318
<b>Height (per 1 cm)</b>	0.994	0.960–1.029	0.733	0.985	0.951–1.020	0.396
<b>Body mass index (per 1 unit)</b>	0.926	0.858–0.999	0.048	0.982	0.938–1.029	0.444
<b>Systolic blood pressure (per 1 mmHg)</b>	1.002	0.980–1.024	0.855	1.008	0.992–1.025	0.340
<b>Diastolic blood pressure (per 1 mmHg)</b>	0.990	0.961–1.020	0.528	1.003	0.980–1.027	0.797
<b>Plaque thickness on the left side (per 1 mm)</b>	1.481	1.148–1.911	0.003	2.010	1.512–2.671	<0.0001
<b>Plaque thickness on the right side (per 1 mm)</b>	1.160	0.913–1.474	0.226	1.971	1.511–2.571	<0.0001
<b>Arterial hypertension</b>	1.293	0.697–2.397	0.415	1.432	0.837–2.449	0.190
<b>Diabetes mellitus</b>	0.713	0.391–1.303	0.713	1.163	0.654–2.069	0.607
<b>Hyperlipidemia</b>	1.154	0.702–1.897	0.572	1.480	0.943–2.323	0.088
<b>Coronary heart disease</b>	1.189	0.697–2.028	0.524	2.022	1.147–3.566	0.015
<b>Atrial fibrillation</b>	1.344	0.623–2.898	0.451	0.788	0.343–1.810	0.574
<b>History of myocardial infarction</b>	0.991	0.452–2.175	0.982	2.169	0.953–4.938	0.065
<b>History of stroke</b>	1.134	0.628–2.049	0.676	1.549	0.865–2.774	0.141
<b>History of vascular surgery/stenting</b>	1.661	0.905–	0.102	3.107	1.569–6.153	0.001

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<b>Smoking</b>	1.521	0.761 – 3.041	0.235	2.173	1.099 – 4.297	0.026	
<b>Alcohol consumption</b>			0.853			0.531	
<b>0 vs 1 IU/day</b>	1.005	0.512 – 1.973	0.988	0.878	0.563 – 1.370	0.567	
<b>0 vs ≥2 IU/day</b>	0.869	0.461 – 1.639	0.664	2.294	0.374 – 14.090	0.370	

CI – confidential interval; IU – international unit; OR – odds ratio