1.a. **Full Title:** Meta-analysis of genome-wide association data in relation to circulating monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 concentrations in white adults of European descent: CHARGE Consortium

b. **Abbreviated Title (Length 26 characters):** Mcp1 Meta-analysis of GWAS data in Whites

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3. **Timeline:** All genotyping is complete. Analyses to begin immediately.

4. **Rationale:** Monocyte chemoattractant protein-1 (MCP-1) has been suggested to play a key role in atherosclerosis, peripheral arterial disease and coronary heart disease (CHD) (Hoogeveen et al 2005). MCP-1 is a member of the CC chemokine family and acts through promoting recruitment of inflammatory cells. MCP-1 concentration is heritable and a recent report found significant linkage to MCP 1(Dupuis J et al 2005). With the availability of genome-wide collection of single nucleotide polymorphisms, it is now possible to identify the genes responsible for inter-individual variation in MCP-1 concentration and to contribute to the understanding of mechanisms leading to CHD.

5. **Main Hypothesis/Study Questions:** Investigate the association of genome-wide genetic variation with inter-individual variation in MCP-1 concentrations in adults of European ancestry

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).**
General Analysis Approach:

*Subjects:* European/European-American subjects with MCP-1 data available

*Exposure:* 2.5 million HapMap genetic variants identified in CEPH trios

*Outcome:* MCP-1 concentration

*Exclusions:* those without consent for genetic research

*Primary statistical approach:* Additive linear regression model (1 df) with robust variance estimates adjusted for sex, age

*Meta-analysis:* all resulting p-values

*Validation and Replication:* Possible validation genotyping for selected findings; correlation of findings with those from existing databases

**Major Phenotypes to Analyze:** MCP-1 concentration

**Cohorts Included in Analysis:** CHS, FHS, Rotterdam, and ARIC

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