



## Pathomechanisms of Atherosclerosis. Part I

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Dear Colleagues,

With the recent globalisation of life style in many parts of the world, atherosclerosis has become a global disease with a significant health threat and economic burden, not only in the West, but now also Asia and Africa. Despite the well documented conventional risk factors for atherosclerosis, little is known about the major differences between geographical regions and whether the effect of those factors remains at a similar level of impact in all nations. This also raises the question about the exact pathomechanism of atherosclerosis and if it is uniform or may have different pathways between continents and countries. Furthermore, whether the pattern of gross pathology, e.g., thickened intima-media, plaque formation, calcification, etc., has become amenable to study and to accurately analyse, is not known; is it nation specific?

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