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**1.a. Full Title:** Migraine and Venous Thromboembolism (VTE)

**b. Abbreviated Title (Length 26 characters):** Migraine and VTE

**2. Writing Group:**

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**3. Timeline:** Fall 2018

**4. Rationale:**

A recent, large, record-based prospective study (Adelborg K et al. BMJ 2018;360:k96) showed positive associations of migraine with multiple cardiovascular outcomes, including venous thromboembolism (VTE) (RR=1.59). A Chinese prospective clinical study found an increased risk of VTE for migraine with aura but not without aura (Peng KP et al. Headache 2016;56:1290-9). A cross-sectional German Study showed a 2-fold higher history of VTE in migraineurs than

in non-migraineurs (Schwaiger J et al. Neurology 2008;71:937-43). In a large, population based sample of pregnant women, VTE discharge codes during pregnancy were 3 fold more common in those with peripartum migraine vs. no migraine (Bushnell CD et al. BMJ. 2009;338:b664).

Although many reports relate cerebral venous thrombosis with migraine-like headaches, the relation of migraine with deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary embolism seems surprising and unexplained. Of course, an association of migraine with stroke is well established (PMIDs 24057117, 28885052, 8864251).

Migraine was self-reported in ARIC by questionnaire at visit 3, which included information on aura. Additionally, the LITE study has validated VTE events, and recently updated VTE occurrence in ARIC through 2015. Therefore using LITE data we can examine the association of migraine with VTE prospectively with better outcome validation than most previous studies on this topic.

## 5. Main Hypothesis/Study Questions:

Main hypothesis: compared with those free of migraine, participants with migraine have greater VTE incidence in ARIC.

## 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).

**Main design:** Prospective

**Exposure:** migraine assessed at Visit 3; migraine with and without aura

**Outcome:** time to VTE occurrence

**Exclusions:** VTE and anticoagulant use

**Potential confounders:** sex, race, age, BMI, CKD, cancer diagnosis

**Analysis:** Calculate age and sex-adjusted incidence rates using Poisson and multivariably adjusted HRs for migraine diagnosis (yes, no) and Cox models. Similar analyses will be done looking at a 3 level exposure (migraine with aura, migraine without aura, no migraine).

Subgroup analyses will examine PE/DVT and provoked/unprovoked VTE individually.

If we find an association, in secondary analyses we will try to understand possible explanations by exploring whether biomarkers related to VTE are related to migraine

7.a. Will the data be used for non-CVD analysis in this manuscript? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_xx\_\_ No

b. If Yes, is the author aware that the file ICTDER03 must be used to exclude persons with a value RES\_OTH = "CVD Research" for non-DNA analysis, and for DNA analysis RES\_DNA = "CVD Research" would be used? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No

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