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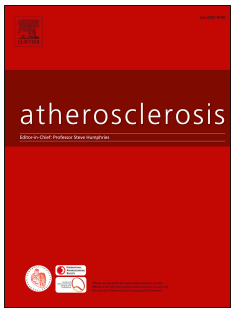


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## ABSTRACT

*Background and aims:* Antioxidant status has been shown to be associated with cardiovascular events (CVEs). Aim of the study was to develop an assay measuring serum hydrogen peroxide ($H_2O_2$) break-down activity (HBA) of healthy subjects (HS) and to validate it in a cohort of patients affected by atrial fibrillation (AF).