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TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Calculated	Birthdate: BIRTHDAT Exam dates: Ex1: ANTA09 Ex2: ANTB06 Ex3: ANTC4 Ex4: ANTD9 Ex5: ANT0A	 Age was calculated based on birth date and exam dates. For one participant with missing date for visit 1, date of home interview from dataset 'HOM' was used as visit 1 date. Usually, home interviews were conducted about 1 week before the clinical visit. For missing values of age for exams 2, 3, 4 and 5 age was calculated by adding years 3, 6, 9 and 24 to baseline age.
AGE_BASELINE (Age at baseline, exam 1)	Years	Calculated		 Age at exam 1 calculated using birth date and exam dates.
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Calculated		 Calculated using BMI formula from height and weight
CLD_EVENT_PRI (Primary CLRD event: ICD code at first position)	-	Calculated		Based on ICD codes
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-	Calculated		Count=1 can be used for cross sectional analysis
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline: <i>0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8,</i> 2=Grades 9-11, 3=High school, 4=Some	-	Calculated	HOM54	 Education categories were created based on the highest education grade (hom54) completed.

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college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)				
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry was performed)	-	Calculated		 Indicates exam when spirometry was performed
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original		Recoded: F (female) to 0, M (male) to 1
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centimete rs	Original	Ex1: ANTA01 Ex2: PFTB03 Ex3: ANTC1 Ex4: ANTD1 Ex5: ANT3	 Height was not measured in exam 2. So, height from exam 1 was carried forward. For one participant in exam 4 there was data entry error for height (same values for height and weight) so after validating height from previous exams value of height from exam 3 was carried forward.
ID (Original participant id for ARIC study)	-	Original		
PMH_ASTHM_AGE_START_BASE (Age when asthma started at baseline)	Years	Original	RPAA37	 Age of start asthma was coded to missing if participant answered 'no' to having asthma ever
PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported asthma ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA35	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0 If PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE = missing and PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE=1 then PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE=1

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				 If PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE = missing and PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE=0 then PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE=0
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA36	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0
P MH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Original	RPAA38	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0 If PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE =0 then PMH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE=0
PMH_CBRONCH_AGE_START_BASE (Age when chronic bronchitis started at Baseline)	Years	Original	RPAA30	 Age of start chronic bronchitis was coded to missing if participant answered 'no' to having chronic bronchitis ever. Participant with age of start chronic bronchitis before age 10 were coded as missing.
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE (Self-reported chronic bronchitis ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA27	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0 If PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE = missing and PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE=1 then PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE = 1 If PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE = missing and PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE=0 then PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE = 0
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed chronic bronchitis at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA29	Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0

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PMH_CBRONCHITIS_STILL_BASE (Still have chronic bronchitis at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA28	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0 If PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE =0 then PMH_CBRONCHITIS_STILL_BASE=0
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	HOM10E	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0
PMH_EMPH_AGE_START_BASE (Age when emphysema started at baseline)	Years	Original	RPAA34	 Age of start emphysema was coded to missing if participant answered 'no' to having emphysema ever Participant with age of start emphysema before age 10 were coded as missing.
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported emphysema ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA31	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0 If PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE = missing and PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE=1 then PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE = 1 If PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE= missing and PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE=0 then PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE = 0
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed emphysema at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA33	Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_STILL_BASE (Still have emphysema at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	RPAA32	 Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0 If PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE =0 then PMH_EMPHYSEMA_STILL_BASE=0

TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	HOM10A	Recoded: Y (yes) to1, N (no) to 0
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Ex1: PFTA26 Ex2: PFTB26 Ex5: PULP31	
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of fev1 over fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Original	Ex1: PFTA31 Ex2: PFTB31	Calculated for exam 5
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Ex1: PFTA24 Ex2: PFTB24 Ex5: PULP27	
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original		 Recoded: W (White) to 1, B (Black) to 3, A (Asian) to 2, I (American Indian) to 5
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=3 then race_black=1, else race_black=0
RACE_CHINESE (Asian: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=2 then race_chinese=1, else race_chinese=0

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RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/Ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original		 Recoded: W (White) to 1, B (Black) to 3, A (Asian) to 2, I (American Indian) to 5
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=4 then race_hispanic=1, else race_hispanic=0
RACE_AMIND (American Indian: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=5 then race_amind=1, else race_amind =0
RACE_OTHERS (Other Race: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=6 then race_others=1, else race_others=0
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=1 then race_white=1, else race_white=0
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smoked per day)	-	Original	Ex1: HOM35 Ex2: HHXB47, HHXB48 Ex3: PHXA29, PHXA30 Ex4: PHXB10, PHXB11	

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SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smoked per day at baseline visit)	-	Original		
SMOKING_CURRENT (<i>Current smoker, time variant: 1=Yes,</i> <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated	Ex1: CURSMK01 Ex2: CURSMK21 Ex3: CURSMK31 Ex4: CURSMK41 Ex5: CURSMK52	 Missing observations were substituted with values based on some basic assumptions. Any participants with missing values for smoking status at exams 1-4 but recorded as never smoker at exam 5 was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. Participants who were recorded as former smoker at exam 1 were considered as former smokers at subsequent exams unless specified.
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (<i>Current smoker at baseline: 1=Yes,</i> <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated	CURSMK01	
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated	Ex1: EVRSMK01 Ex2: EVRSMK21 Ex3: EVRSMK31 Ex4: EVRSMK41 Ex5: EVRSMK52	 Missing observations were substituted with values based on some basic assumptions. Any participants with missing values for smoking status at exams 1-4 but recorded as never smoker at exam 5 was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. Participants who were recorded to be former smoker at exam 1 were considered as ever smokers at subsequent exams unless specified.
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated	EVRSMK01	

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SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated	Ex1: EVRSMK01 Ex2: EVRSMK21 Ex3: EVRSMK31 Ex4: EVRSMK41 Ex5: EVRSMK52	 Missing observations were substituted with values based on some basic assumptions. Any participants with missing values for smoking status at exams 1-4 but recorded as never smoker at exam 5 was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. Participants who were recorded to be former smoker at exam 1 were considered as former smokers at subsequent exams unless specified.
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated	FORSMK01	
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Calculated	CIGTYR01	 Smoking pack years at baseline were calculated using cigarettes smoking years (CIGTYR01) divided by 20. For exam 2, 3, 4 and 5 pack years were not available. So pack years were calculated using current smoking status, age of start of smoking, current age, number of months/years since quit smoking.
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Calculated	CIGTYR01	
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant: <i>0</i> =Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Calculated	Ex1: CIGT01 Ex2: CIGT21 Ex3: CIGT31 Ex4: CIGT41 Ex5: CIGT52	 The original variable was modified after taking into consideration the modified current, ever and former status.

TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated	CIGT01	
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower than subsequent at least by 1L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam.
STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)	-			
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (Time from baseline spirometry exam, years)	Years	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry
TTY_CLD_TOT_PRI (<i>Time to primary CLRD event</i>)	Years	Calculated		 Based on date of first clinical visit and date when event occurred
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilograms	Calculated	Ex1: ANTA04 Ex2: ANTB01 Ex3: ANTC2 Ex4: ANTD2 Ex5: ANT4	 Weight in pounds was converted to kilograms.

Figure 2. Flow Chart of Longitudinal Lung Function Data in the Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults Study, by Visit, United States, 1985-2011.



Table 2. Harmonization protocol, Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults Study, United States, 1985-2011.						
Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Original	Yr 0: EXAMAGE Yr 2: EX2_AGE Yr 5: EX3_AGE Yr 7: EX4_AGE Yr 10: EX5_AGE Yr 15: EX6_AGE Yr 20: EX7_AGE Yr 25: EX8_AGE	• For missing values of age at years 2, 5, 7, 10, 15, 20 and 25 age was calculated by adding years 7, 10, 15, 20 and 25 to baseline age.		
AGE_BASELINE (Age at exam 1, years)	Years	Original				
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Calculated		 Calculated using BMI formula from height and weight 		
COUNT (Number of observations for each subject)	-	Calculated		 Count=1 can be used for cross sectional analysis 		
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline: 0=No schooling,1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9-11, 3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	A03ED	 New variable for education categories was created based on the highest education grade (A03ED) completed. 		
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is performed)	-			• This variable represents the year at which spirometry exam was conducted- 0, 2, 5, 10 and 20		

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	SEX	Recoded: 2 (female) to 0		
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centimeter	Original	Yr 0: A20HGT Yr 2: B20HGT Yr 5: C20HGT Yr 7: D20HGT Yr 10: E20HGT Yr 15: F20HGT Yr 20: G20HGT Yr 25: H20HGT	 For two participants in year 20 there was (presumably) data entry error for height in cm because the measurements at year 20 did not match with previous measurements. These measurements were correct accordingly. 		
ID (Original participant long id for CARDIA study)		Original				
PMH_ASTHM_AGE_START_BASE (Age when asthma started at baseline)	Years	Original		 Age of start of asthma was coded as missing for those with no history of asthma ever 		
PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported asthma ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1		
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1		

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
PMH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_CBRONCH_AGE_START_BASE (Age when chronic bronchitis started at baseline)	Years	Original		Age of start of chronic bronchitis was coded as missing for those with no history of chronic bronchitis ever	
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE (Self-reported chronic bronchitis ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed chronic bronchitis at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_STILL_BASE (Still have chronic bronchitis at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_EMPH_AGE_START_BASE (Age when emphysema started at baseline)	Years	Original		 Age of start of emphysema was coded as missing for those with no history of emphysema ever 	

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported emphysema ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed emphysema at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_STILL_BASE (Still have emphysema at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original		• Recoded: 1 (no) to 0, 2 (yes) to 1	
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Yr 0: A12FE1 Yr 2: B12FE1 Yr 5: C12FE1 Yr 10: E12FE1 Yr 20: G12FE1		
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of fev1 over fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Calculated		• We did not use the original variables because there was discrepancy between FEV ₁ /FVC ratios calculated from best FEV ₁ and FVC and originally provided FEV ₁ /FVC ratio.	
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Yr 0: A12FVC Yr 2: B12FVC Yr 5: C12FVC Yr 10: E12FVC Yr 20: G12FVC		

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original		• Recoded: 5 (Whites) to 1, 4 (Blacks) to 3	
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=3 then race_black=1, else race_black=0 	
RACE_CHINESE (Asian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=2 then race_chinese=1, else race_chinese=0 	
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original		• Recoded: 5 (Whites) to 1, 4 (Blacks) to 3	
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=4 then race_hispanic=1, else race_hispanic=0 	
RACE_AMIND (American Indian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=5 then race_amind=1, else race_ amind =0 	
RACE_OTHERS (Other race:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=6 then race_others=1, else race_others=0 	

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		if race=1 then race_white=1,else race_white=0	
SHORT_ID (Original participant short id for CARDIA study)	-	Original			
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smokers per day, time variant)	-	Original	Yr 0: A09CGTDY Yr 2: B09CGTDY Yr 5: C09CGTDY Yr 7: D09CGTDY Yr 10: E09CGTDY Yr 15: F09CGTDY Yr 20: G09CGTDY Yr 25: H09CGTDY		
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smokers per day at baseline)	-	Original			
SMOKING_CURRENT (Current smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0 	
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0 	

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1 	
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1 	
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0 	
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0 	
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Calculated	Yr 0: A09CGTDY, A09SMKYR Yr 2: B09CGTDY, B09SMKYR Yr 5: C09CGTDY, C09SMKYR Yr 5: D09CGTDY, D09SMKYR Yr 10: E09CGTDY, E09SMKYR Yr 15: F09CGTDY, F09SMKYR Yr 20: G09CGTDY, G09SMKYR Yr 25: H09CGTDY,	 Calculated using following formula: packyears= (# of cigarettes smoked per day) x (# of years cigarretes smoked) / 20 	

Table 2. Harmonization protocol, Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults Study, United States, 1985-2011.					
Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
			H09SMKYR		
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Calculated		Calculated using following formula: packyears= (# of cigarettes smoked per day) x (# of years cigarretes smoked) / 20	
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant: <i>0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current</i>)	-	Calculated	Yr 0: A10TOBAC, A10CIGS, A09SMKNW Yr 2: B10TOBAC, B10CIGS, B09SMKNW Yr 5: C10TOBAC, C10CIGS, C09SMKNW Yr 7: D10TOBAC, D10CIGS, D09SMKNW Yr 10: E10TOBAC, E10CIGS, E09SMKNW Yr 15: F10TOBAC, F10CIGS, F09SMKNW Yr 20: G10TOBAC, G10CIGS, G09SMKNW Yr 25: H10TOBAC, H10CIGS, H09SMKNW	 Calculated using following formula for each year: if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 1 (no) or/and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly)= 1 (no) then smoking status=0 (never smoker) if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 2 (yes) and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly)= 1 (no) then smoking status=1 (former smoker) if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 2 (yes) and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly)= 1 (no) then smoking status=1 (former smoker) if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 2 (yes) and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly)= 2 (yes) then smoking status=2 (current smoker) 	

Table 2. Harmonization protocol, Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults Study, United States, 1985-2011.				
Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated	Yr 0: A10TOBAC, A10CIGS, A09SMKNW	 Calculated using following formula: if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 1 (no) or/and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly)= 1 (no) then smoking status=0 (never smoker) if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 2 (yes) and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly)= 1 (no) then smoking status=1 (former smoker) if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 2 (yes) and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly)= 1 (no) then smoking status=1 (former smoker) if A10TOBAC (have you ever used tobacco product) = 2 (yes) and A10CIGS (have you ever smoked cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) and A09SMKNW (do you still smoke cigarettes regularly) = 2 (yes) then
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Difference between last and first spirometry > 1 L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam.
STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)				
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam, years</i>	Years	Calculated		Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry

Table 2. Harmonization protocol, Coronary Artery Risk Development in Young Adults Study, United States, 1985-2011. Variable Calculated/ **Original Variable** Details regarding classification, calculation, Units (Label) Original Name and/or correction Yr 0: A20WGT Yr 2: B20WGT For one participant there was (presumably) • Yr 5: C20WGT data entry error for weight at year 10 because WT KG Yr 7: D20WGT the measurement at year 10 did not match with Kilogram Calculated Yr 10: E20WGT (Weight (KG), time variant) consequent measurements. Yr 15: F20WGT The measurement was correct accordingly. ٠ Yr 20: G20WGT Yr 25: H20WGT

Figure 3. Flow Chart of Longitudinal Lung Function Data in the Cardiovascular Health Study, by visit, United States, 1989-2006.



Figure 3. Harmonization Protocol, Cardiovascular Health Study, United States, 1989-2006. Original Calculated Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or Variable Variable Units (Label) / Original correction Name Yr 2: AGEYR2 For missing values of age at years 5, 6, 9 and 18 age Yr 5: AGEY5 • AGE Original was calculated by adding years 3, 4, 7 and 16 to Years Yr 6: AGEY6 (Age (years), time variant) Yr 9: AGEY9 baseline age. Yr 18: AGE18 AGEYR2. AGE BASELINE For cohort 2 (N=687): age at year 5 was considered as • Original AGEY5 (cohort Years (Age at first spirometry exam) baseline age 2) BMI Kg/m² Calculated using BMI formula from height and weight Calculated • (Body mass index, time variant) **CLD EVENT PRI** (Primary CLRD event: ICD code at first Calculated Based on ICD codes • position) COUNT (Number of observation for each subject) EDU CAT (Highest education at baseline: 0=No New variable for education categories was created • schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9based on the highest education grade (A03ED) Calculated GRADE01 11,3=High school, 4=Some college, completed. 5=Bachelor degree,6=Graduate degree) EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is Original performed)

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	GEND01	
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centim eter	Original	Yr 2: STHT13 Yr 5: STHT5 Yr 9: STHT9 Yr 18: HEIGHT18	 Height for exam 6 was not measured so height at exam 5 was carried forward.
IDNO (Original participant id for CHS study)	-	Original		
PMH_ASTHM_AGE_START_BASE (Age when asthma started at baseline)	Years	Original	ATHT07, ASTHAG57	 If pmh_asthma_ever_base=0 then pmh_asthm_age_start_base=.
PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported asthma ever at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ATH07, ASTH57	
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ATHDR07, ASTHDR57	 If pmh_asthma_ever_base=0 then pmh_asthma_md_base=0
PMH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ATHH07, ASTHH57	 If pmh_asthma_ever_base=0 then pmh_asthma_still_base=0

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
PMH_CBRONCH_AGE_START_BASE (Age when chronic bronchitis started at baseline)	Years	Original	BRNCT07, CBRNAG57	 If pmh_cbronchitis_ever_base=0 then pmh_cbronch_age_start_base=.
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_EVER_BASE (Self-reported chronic bronchitis ever at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	CRNC07, CBRN57	
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed chronic bronchitis at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	BRNCDR07, CBRNDR57	 If pmh_cbronchitis_ever_base=0 then pmh_cbronchitis_md_base=0
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_STILL_BASE (Still have chronic bronchitis at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	BRNCHV07, CBRNHV57	 If pmh_cbronchitis_ever_base=0 then pmh_cbronchitis_still_base=0
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	DIAB01	
PMH_EMPH_AGE_START_BASE (Age when emphysema started at baseline)	Years	Original	EPHT07, EMPHAG57	 If pmh_emphysema_ever_base=0 then pmh_emph_age_start_base=.
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported emphysema ever at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	EPH07, EMPH57	

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed emphysema at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	EPHDR07, EMPHDR57	 If pmh_emphysema_ever_base=0 then pmh_emphysema_md_base=0
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_STILL_BASE (Still have emphysema at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	EPHH07, EMPHH57	 If pmh_emphysema_ever_base=0 then pmh_emphysema_still_base=0
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	HIBP01	
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Yr 2: FEV2 Yr 6: FEV6 Yr 9: FEV9 Yr 18: FEV1_18	
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of pre_fev1 over pre_fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: pre_fev1fvc=pre_fev1/pre_fvc*100
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Yr 2: FVC2 Yr 6: FVC6 Yr 9: FVC9 Yr 18: FVC_18	
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original	RACE01	 Recoded: 1 (Blacks) to 3, 3 (American Indians) to 5, 4 (Asians) to 2, 5 (Others) to 0

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=3 then race_black=1, else race_black=0
RACE_CHINESE (Asian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=2 then race_chinese=1, else race_chinese=0
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original	RACE01	 Recoded: 1 (Blacks) to 3, 3 (American Indians) to 5, 4 (Asians) to 2, 5 (Others) to 0
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=4 then race_hispanic=1, else race_hispanic=0
RACE_AMIND (American Indian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=5 then race_amind=1, else race_amind=0
RACE_OTHERS (Other race:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=6 then race_others=1, else race_others=0
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=1 then race_white=1, else race_white=0

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smoked per day, time variant)	-	Original	Yr 2: NUMCIG02 Yr 5: NUMCIG05 Yr 6: NUMCIG06 Yr 9: NUMCIG09 Yr 18: NUMCIG18	
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smoked per day at baseline visit)	-	Original	Yr 2: NUMCIG02 Yr 5: NUMCIG05 (Cohort 2)	
SMOKING_CURRENT (Current smoker, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant:1=Yes, <i>0</i> =No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Calculated		 Cigarettes packyears were not provided for years 5, 6, 9 and 18. Packyears were calculated by using numbers of cigarettes smoked per day and total number of smoking years. Packyears=(numbers of cigarettes smoked per day) * (total number of smoking years)/20 For current smokers who have smoked continuously from baseline to last visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas: (age at current visit) - (age of start of smoking). For former smokers who were current smokers at previous visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas {age at current visit - [(age at current visit) - (age at previous visit)/2]} - {age of start of smoking} For former smokers who had been former smoker at previous visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas {age at current visit - [(age at current visit) - (age at previous visit)/2]} - {age of start of smoking}
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Original	PKYRSBL	
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant:0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Calculated	Yr 2: SMOKE2 Yr 5: SMOKE5 Yr 6: SMOKE06 Yr 9: SMOKE9 Yr 18: SMOKING18	 Recoded: <u>1. smoke2, smoke5, smoke9</u>: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former) to 1, 3 (current) to 2 <u>2. smoke06, smoking18</u>: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former, quit > 1 year ago) to 1, 3 (former, quit < 1 year ago) to 1, 4 (current) to 2, 9 (don't know) to missing

Figure 3. Harmonization Protocol, Cardiovascular Health Study, United States, 1989-2006. Original Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or Variable Calculated Units Variable / Original (Label) correction Name Missing observations were substituted with values • based on some basic assumptions. • Any participant with missing values for smoking status at any exam but recorded as never smoker in subsequent was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. • Participants who were recorded as former smoker at exam 2 were considered as former smokers at subsequent exams unless specified. Recoded: • 1. smoke2, smoke5, smoke9: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former) to 1, 3 (current) to 2 2. smoke06, smoking18: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former, quit > 1 year ago) to 1, 3 (former, quit < 1 year ago) to 1, 4 (current) to 2, 9 (don't know) to missing SMOKING STATUS BASELINE Yr 2: SMOKE2 Missing observations were substituted with values (3 levels of smoking status at Yr 5: SMOKE5 based on some basic assumptions. Calculated baseline:1=Yes, 0=No) Any participant with missing values for smoking status (Cohort 2) • at any exam but recorded as never smoker in subsequent was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. • Participants who were recorded as former smoker at exam 2 were considered as former smokers at subsequent exams unless specified. SPIRO QC FLAG This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower Calculated subsequent exam. than subsequent at least by 1L) STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, Calculated chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: (age at spirometry) – (age at baseline spirometry) 		
TTY_CLD_TOT_PRI (<i>Time to primary CLRD event</i>)	-	Calculated		Based on date at which event occurred and censored		
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilogra m	Calculated	Yr 2: WEIGHT2 Yr 5: WEIGHT5 Yr 6: WEIGHT6 Yr 9: WEIGHT9 Yr 18: WEIGHT18	 Originally weight was recorded in pounds which were converted to kgs. 		

Figure 4. Flow Chart of Longitudinal Lung Function Data in the Framingham Heart Study-Offspring cohort, by Visit, United States, 1983-2014.


Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014.						
Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Calculated	Ex 1: A42, A43, A44, A45, A46, A47 Ex 5: E217 Ex 6: F179 Ex 7: G007 Ex 8: H009 Ex 9: J009	 Age was calculated based on birth date and exam dates. However, we were not able to get exam date for exam 3 or even 'age' variable in any of the datasets. Therefore, age at exam 3 was calculated using age at exam 1 + 12 (as exam 3 was conducted 12 years after exam 1). 		
AGE_BASELINE (Age at baseline, exam 3)	Years	Calculated		 We were not able to get exam date for exam 3 or even 'age' variable in any of the datasets. Therefore, age at exam 3 was calculated using age at exam 1 + 12 (as exam 3 was conducted 12 years after exam 1). 		
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Calculated		Calculated using BMI formula from height and weight		
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-	Calculated		 Count=1 can be used for cross sectional analysis 		
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline:0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9- 11, 3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	B43	 New variable for education categories was created based on the highest education grade (B43) completed. 		

 Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014.

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is performed)	-	Calculated		
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	C2	Recoded: 2 (Female) to 0
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centimeter	Calculated	Ex 3: C417 Ex 5: E025 Ex 6: F008 Ex 7: G441 Ex 8: H399 Ex 9: J472	 Originally height was recorded in inches which were converted to cms.
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-		Ex 3: C374	 Recoded: 0 (no) and 2 (maybe) as 0
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed chronic bronchitis at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-		Ex 3: C371	 Recoded: 0 (no) and 2 (maybe) as 0
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-		Ex 3: C363	 Recoded: 0 (no) and 2 (maybe) as 0

Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014. Original Variable Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or Calculated/ Units Variable Original (Label) correction Name PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE Recoded: • (Doctor diagnosed emphysema at Ex 3: C370 0 (no) and 2 (maybe) as 0 baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No) PMH HTN MD BASE Recoded: • (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at Ex 3: C332 0 (no) and 2 (borderline) as 0 baseline:1=Yes, 0=No) Ex 3: FV1 3 1 Ex 5: bestfev1 PRE FEV1 Ex 6: bestfev1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec Original Liters Ex 7: bestfev1 (L), time variant) Ex 8: FV1 8 1 Ex 9: FV1_9_1 PRE FEV1FVC (Ratio of fev1 over fvc (%), time Percent Calculated • Calculated using best FEV1 and FVC. variant) Ex 3: FVC_3_1 Ex 5: bestfvc Ex 6: bestfvc PRE FVC Original Ex 7: bestfvc Liters (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant) Ex 8: FVC 8 1 Ex 9: FVC_9_1

Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014. Original Variable Calculated/ Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or Units Variable Original (Label) correction Name RACE • Framingham heart study was conducted only in (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, Caucasians. Calculated 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5=American Indian, Therefore, race was not asked in exam 1. So all • 6=Other) participants in this study are coded as white. RACE BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, Calculated Since race=1 (white), race black=0 • 0=No)**RACE CHINESE** Calculated • Since race=1 (white), race_chinese=0 (Asian:1=Yes, 0=No) RACE ETHNICITY • Framingham heart study was conducted only in (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, Caucasians. Calculated 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= Therefore, race was not asked in exam 1. So all American Indian, 6=Other) participants in this study are coded as white. **RACE HISPANIC** Calculated • Since race=1 (white), race hispanic=0 (Hispanic/Latino:1=Yes, 0=No) RACE AMIND • Since race=1 (white), race_amind=0 Calculated (American Indian:1=Yes, 0=No) **RACE OTHERS** Calculated Since race=1 (white), race others=0 • (Other race:1=Yes, 0=No)

Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014. Original Variable Calculated/ Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or Variable Units Original (Label) correction Name **RACE WHITE** Calculated Since race=1 (white), race_white=1 • (White: 1=Yes, 0=No) RANID (Original participant id for Framingham Original ranid study) Ex 3: C68 Ex 5: E320 SMOKING CIGS PERDAY Ex 6: F289 (Cigarettes smokers per day, time Original Ex 7: G117 variant) Ex 8: H064 Ex 9: J066 SMOKING CIGS PERDAY BASE (Cigarettes smokers per day at Original Ex 3: C68 baseline visit) **SMOKING CURRENT** Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then • (Current smoker, time variant: Calculated smoking_current=1; 1=Yes, 0=No) else smoking_current=0 SMOKING CURRENT BASELINE Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then • (Current smoker at baseline:1=Yes, smoking current=1; _ Calculated 0=No) else smoking_current=0

Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014. Original Variable Calculated/ Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or Variable Units Original (Label) correction Name **SMOKING EVER** Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then (Ever smoker, time variant:1=Yes, smoking ever=0; Calculated else smoking ever=1 0=No) SMOKING EVER BASELINE Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then (Ever smoker at baseline:1=Yes. Calculated smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1 0=No)**SMOKING FORMER** Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then (Former smoker, time variant: Calculated smoking_former=1; 1=Yes, 0=No) else smoking former=0 SMOKING FORMER_BASELINE Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then • smoking_former=1; (Former smoker at baseline: Calculated 1=Yes, 0=No) else smoking_former=0 Pack years for exams 1, 2, 8 and 9 were calculated using # of cigarettes per day, age when started smoking and age when stopped smoking. Age when started smoking and age when stopped • smoking were not asked for exams 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7. • For these years, pack years calculated by using numbers SMOKING PACKYEARS of cigarettes smoked per day and total number of Calculated Years (Cigarettes pack years, time variant) smoking years. Packyears=(numbers of cigarettes smoked per day) * (total number of smoking years)/20 • For current smokers who have smoked continuously from baseline to last visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas: (age at current visit) -(age of start of smoking).

Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014.						
Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
				 For former smokers who were current smokers at previous visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas {age at current visit - [(age at current visit) - (age at previous visit)/2]} - {age of start of smoking} For former smokers who had been former smoker at previous visit, total number of smoking years were carried forward from previous visit. 		
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Calculated		 Pack years for exam 3 was calculated by using numbers of cigarettes smoked per day and total number of smoking years. Packyears=(numbers of cigarettes smoked per day) * (total number of smoking years)/20 For current smokers who have smoked continuously from baseline to last visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas: (age at current visit) - (age of start of smoking). For former smokers who were current smokers at previous visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas {age at current visit - [(age at current visit) - (age at previous visit) - (age of start of smoking)] For former smokers who had been former smoker at previous visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas {age at current visit - [(age at current visit) - (age at previous visit)/2]} - {age of start of smoking} For former smokers who had been former smoker at previous visit, total number of smoking years were carried forward from previous visit. 		
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant:0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Calculated	Ex 3: C67 Ex 5: E319 Ex 6: F288 Ex 7: G116 Ex 8: H060, H061, H062	 Smoking status was calculated using based on whether the participant smoked regularly in past year and smoking status at previous year. 		

 Table 4. Harmonization Protocol, Framingham Heart Study-Offspring Cohort, United States, 1983-2014.

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated/ Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
			Ex 9: J062, J063, J064	
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated	Ex 3: C67	 Smoking status was calculated using based on whether the participant smoked regularly in past year and smoking status at previous year.
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower than subsequent at least by 1L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam.
STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)	-	Calculated		
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilogram	Calculated	Ex 3: C416 Ex 5: E024 Ex 6: F007 Ex 7: G440 Ex 8: H393 Ex 9: J474	 Originally weight was recorded in pounds which were converted to kgs.

Figure 5. Flow Chart of Longitudinal Lung Function Data in the Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.



Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.					
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Calculated	Birthdate: DOB Exam dates: Ex1: CV1DATE, Ex2: CV2DATE, , Ex14: CV14DATE	 Age was calculated based on birth date and exam dates. 	
AGE_BASELINE (Age at baseline, exam 1)	Years	Calculated		 Age at exam 1 calculated using birth date and exam dates. 	
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Calculated		 Calculated using BMI formula from height and weight 	
CLD_EVENT_PRI (Primary CLRD event: ICD code at first position)	-	Calculated		Based on ICD codes	
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-	Calculated		 Count=1 can be used for cross sectional analysis 	
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline: 0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9-11, 3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	LPSCHOOL	 Education categories were created based on the highest education grade (lpschool) completed. 	

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.					
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry was performed)	-	Calculated		 Indicates exam when spirometry was performed 	
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original		Recoded: 2 (female) to 0	
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centime ters	Original	Ex1: P2SH Ex4: D2SH Ex6: F3SH Ex8: S4SH Ex10: S4SH Ex11: Y11SH	 Original variables had height recorded in millimeters. Height was converted to centimeters. In exams (2, 3, 5, 7 and 9) with missing data on height, height was calculated from BMI and weight. 	
HABCID (Original participant id for ARIC study)	-	Original			
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	MHLCASTH	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing	
P MH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Original	MHLCSHA	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing	

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.						
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed chronic bronchitis at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	MHLCCHBR	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing		
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_STILL_BASE (Still have chronic bronchitis at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	MHLCSHCB	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing		
PMH_COPD_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed COPD at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	MHLCCOPD	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing		
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	LBSGDIAB	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing		
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed emphysema at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	MHLCEMPH	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing		
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	МННСНВР	Recoded: 8 (don't know) to missing		
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Ex1-Ex10: BES_FEV1	 FEV1 values were converted to liters from milliliters For one participant, recorded FEV1 at exam 1 was 0.27 and at exam 5 was 2.473. Therefore, FEV1 at exam 1 was changed to 2.7. 		

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.					
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of fev1 over fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: pre_fev1fvc=pre_fev1/ pre_fvc*100 	
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	Ex1-Ex10: BES_FVC	FVC values were converted to liters from milliliters	
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5=American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original		Recoded: 2 (Black) to 3	
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=3 then race_black=1, else race_black=0 	
RACE_CHINESE (Asian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Study recruited only Caucasians and African Americans; so race_chinese=0 	
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original		Recoded: 2 (Black) to 3	
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Study recruited only Caucasians and African Americans; so race_hispanic=0 	

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.					
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
RACE_AMIND (American Indian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Study recruited only Caucasians and African Americans; so race_ amind =0 	
RACE_OTHERS (Other race:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Study recruited only Caucasians and African Americans; so race_others=0 	
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=1 then race_white=1, else race_white=0 	
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smoked per day)	-	Original	Ex1: BQSCCGAV Ex3: CMSMOKAV Ex5: EBSMOKAV Ex8: RGSMOKAV Ex10: RGSMOKAV Ex11: Y11SMOKAV		
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smoked per day at baseline visit)	-	Original	BQSCCGAV		
SMOKING_CURRENT (Current smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0 	

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.					
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0 	
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1 	
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1 	
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0 	
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0 	
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Calculated	PACKYR1	 Cigarettes packyears were not provided for exam1. For subsequesnt exams packyears were calculated by using numbers of cigarettes smoked per day and total number of smoking years. Packyears= (numbers of cigarettes smoked per day) * (total number of smoking years)/20 For current smokers who have smoked continuously from baseline to last visit, total 	

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.					
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
				 number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas: (age at current visit) - (age of start of smoking). For former smokers who were current smokers at previous visit, total number of smoking years were calculated using following formulas {age at current visit - [(age at current visit) - (age at previous visit)/2]} - {age of start of smoking} For former smokers who had been former smoker at previous visit, total number of smoking years were carried forward from previous visit. 	
(Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Calculated	PACKYR1		
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant: <i>0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)</i>	-	Calculated	Ex1: SMK1 Ex3: SMK3 Ex5: SMK5 Ex8: SMK8 Ex9: SMK9 Ex10: SMK10 Ex11: SMK11 Ex12: SMK12 Ex13: SMK13	 Recoded: (current) to 2, 2 (former) to 1 Any participant with missing values for smoking status at any exam but recorded as never smoker in subsequent was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. Participants who were recorded as former smoker at exam 1 were considered as former smokers at subsequent exams unless specified. Missing observations were substituted with values based on some basic assumptions. 	

Table 5. Harmonization Protocol, Health, Aging and Body Composition Study, by Visit, United States, 1997-2006.						
TOPMed Variable Name (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated	SMK1			
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower than subsequent at least by 1L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam. 		
STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)	-					
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry 		
TTY_CLD_TOT_PRI (Time to primary CLRD event)	Years	Calculated		 Based on date of first clinical visit and date when event occurred 		
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilogra ms	Calculated	Ex1: Y1WTK Ex2: Y2WTK Ex3: Y3WTK Ex4: Y4WTK Ex5: Y5WTK Ex6: Y6WTK Ex8: Y8WTK Ex10: Y10WTK Ex11: Y11WTK	 Weight in pounds was converted to kilograms. 		

Table 6. Harmonization protocol, Hispanic Community Health Study/Study of Latinos, United States, 2008-2011.					
Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction	
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Original	AGE		
AGE_BASELINE (age at baseline exam)	Years	Original			
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Original	ВМІ		
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-	Calculated			
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline:0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9-11, 3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	EDUCATION_C3	 Since source variable was not available we used 3-level group education level (Education_C3: 1 = No high school diploma or GED 2 = At most a High school diploma or GED 3 = Greater than high school (or GED) education). However, to be consistent with other cohorts values between 0 and 2 were imputed for Education_C3=1 and between 4 and 6 for Education_C3=3. 	

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
				Education_C3=2 was recoded as 3
ETHNICITY (Ethnicity:1=Hispanic, 0=Non-Hispanic)	-	Calculated		
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is performed)	-	Calculated		
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	GENDERNUM	
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centimeter	Original	HEIGHT	
PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported asthma ever, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ASTHMA_EVER	Recoded: 9 (don't know) to . (missing)
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor confirmed asthma ever, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ASTHMA_EVER_MD	

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(Label)	Units	Calculated	Variable Name	calculation, and/or correction
PMH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ASTHMA_CURR	Recoded: 9 (don't know) to . (missing)
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	DIABETES_SELF	
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Self-reported awareness of HTN in those with HTN defined by NHANES, time variant:1=Aware, 0=Non-aware)	-	Original	HYPERT_AWARENESS	
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	PRBA29	Converted to litres
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of fev1 over fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Original	PRBA39	Converted to percent
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant	Liters	Original	PRBA25	Converted to litres
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5=American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Calculated		 HCHS was conducted only in Hispanics. So all participants in this study are coded as hispanics.

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		• Since race=4 (hispanic), race_black=0
RACE_CHINESE (Asian: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		• Since race=4 (hispanic), race_chinese=0
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Calculated		 HCHS was conducted only in Hispanics. So all participants in this study are coded as Hispanics.
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		• Since race=4 (hispanic), race_hispanic=1
RACE_AMIND (American Indian: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		• Since race=4 (hispanic), race_amind=0
RACE_OTHERS (Other race: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=4 (hispanic), race_others=0
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=4 (v), race_white=0

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smoked per day)	-	Calculated		 Number of cigarettes per day are calculated using formula: Cigarettes_Year (number of exposure years multiplied by the average number of cigarettes smoked per day) / Exposure_Year (total number of years a participant smoked ciagarettes)
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smoked per day at baseline visit)	-	Calculated		 Number of cigarettes per day are calculated using formula: Cigarettes_Year (number of exposure years multiplied by the average number of cigarettes smoked per day) / Exposure_Year (total number of years a participant smoked ciagarettes)
SMOKING_CURRENT (Current smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=Nov	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Original	CIGARETTE_PACK_ YEARS	
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Original	CIGARETTE_PACK_ YEARS	
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant:0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Original	CIGARETTE_USE	 Recoded: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former) to 1, 3 (current) to 2

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	CIGARETTE_USE	 Recoded: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former) to 1, 3 (current) to 2
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower than subsequent at least by 1L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam.
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilogram	Original	ANTA4	

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Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Original	AGE	
AGE_BASELINE (age at baseline exam)	Years	Original	AGE	
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m ²	Original		
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-	Calculated		 Count=1 can be used for cross sectional analysis
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline:0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9-11, 3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	PDSA18A	 Education categories were created based on the highest education grade (PDSA18A) completed.
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is performed)	-	Calculated		 Indicates exam when spirometry was performed
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	MALE	

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Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centimeter	Centimeters	JH157701_JP0792	HEIGHT
PMH_ASTHM_AGE_START_BASE (Age when asthma started at baseline)	Years	-		
PMH_ASTHMA_EVER_BASE (Self-reported asthma ever at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Years	JH157701_JP0792	RPAA15
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	-	JH157701_JP0792	RPAA13
P MH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma at baseline: 1=Yes, <i>0</i> =No)	-	-	JH157701_JP0792	RPAA14
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	DIABETES	
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	HTN	

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	PULA18	 4 observations with negative FEV1 values were deleted.
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of fev1 over fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Calculated		Calculated for best FEV1 and FVC
PRE_FEV1FVC_QC (Quality assessment grades for FEV1/FVC: 1=pre_fev1_qc and pre_fvc_qc=1, 0=pre_fev1_qc or pre_fvc_qc=0)	-	Calculated		 Data for 3 accepted trials was provided. Difference between wo largest trials was calculated. Indicates that both FEV1 and FVC have two acceptable curves and reproducibility within 200 ml
PRE_FEV1FVC_QC_150 (Quality assessment grades for FEV1/FVC: 1=pre_fev1_qc_150 and pre_fvc_qc_150=1, 0=pre_fev1_qc_150 or pre_fvc_qc_150=0)	-	Calculated		 Data for 3 accepted trials was provided. Difference between wo largest trials was calculated. Indicates that both FEV1 and FVC have two acceptable curves and reproducibility within 150 ml
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	PULA17	
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Calculated		 Jackson Heart Study was conducted only in African American. Therefore, race was not asked in exam 1. So all participants in this study are coded as black.

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=3 (black), race_black=1
RACE_CHINESE (Asian: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=3 (black), race_chinese=0
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Calculated		 Jackson Heart Study was conducted only in African American. Therefore, race was not asked in exam 1. So all participants in this study are coded as black.
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=3 (black), race_hispanic=0
RACE_AMIND (American Indian: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=3 (black), race_amind=0
RACE_OTHERS (Other Race: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=3 (black), race_others=0
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=3 (black), race_white=0

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smoked per day)	-	Original	TOBA5	
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smoked per day at baseline visit)	-	Original	TOBA5	
SMOKING_CURRENT (<i>Current smoker, time variant:</i> 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Original	CURRENTSMOKER	
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	CURRENTSMOKER	
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	EVERSMOKER	
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	EVERSMOKER	
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated		 If smoking_current=0 and smoking_ever=1 then smoking_former=1

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 If smoking_current_baseline =0 and smoking_ever_baseline =1 then smoking_former_baseline =1
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Calculated	TOBA2, TOBA4A, TOBA4B, TOBA5, AGE	 Smoking pack years were calculated using cigarettes smoked per day, age of start of smoking, current age and number of months/years since quit smoking. First total number of years of cigarette smoking were calculated as: For current smokers= (current age) – (age of start of smoking) For former smokers= (current age - months/years since quit smoking) – (age of start of smoking) Pack years were calculated using formula: ((years of cigarette smoking) x (cigarettes smoked per day)) / 20
S MOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Calculated	TOBA2, TOBA4A, TOBA4B, TOBA5, AGE	 Smoking pack years were calculated using cigarettes smoked per day, age of start of smoking, current age and number of months/years since quit smoking. First total number of years of cigarette smoking were calculated as: For current smokers= (current age) – (age of start of smoking) For former smokers= (current age - months/years since quit smoking) – (age of start of smoking)

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
				 Pack years were calculated using formula: ((years of cigarette smoking) x (cigarettes smoked per day)) / 20
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant: 0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Calculated		 if smoking_ever=0 then smoking_status=0; if smoking_former=1 then smoking_status=1; if smoking_current=1 then smoking_status=2;
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if smoking_ever=0 then smoking_status=0; if smoking_former=1 then smoking_status=1; if smoking_current=1 then smoking_status=2;
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower than subsequent at least by 1L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam.
STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)	-			
SUBJID (Original participant id for JHS)	-	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction		
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Original	WEIGHT			
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilograms					

Figure 6. Flow Chart of Longitudinal Lung Function Data in the Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis, by Visit, United States, 2003-2012.



 Table 8. Harmonization Protocol, Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis, United States, 2003-2012.

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Original	Ex 1: AGE1C Ex 2: AGE2C Ex 3: AGE3C Ex 4: AGE4C Ex 5: AGE5C MESA AIR: AGE1C	
AGE_BASELINE (Age at baseline, exam 1)	Years	Original	AGE1C	
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Original	Ex 1: BMI1C Ex 2: BMI2C Ex 3: BMI3C Ex 4: BMI4C Ex 5: BMI5C	
CLD_EVENT_PRI (Primary CLRD event: ICD) code at first position	-	Calculated		Based on ICD codes
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-	Calculated		Count=1 can be used for cross sectional analysis
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline:0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9- 11, 3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree, 6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	EDUC1	 New variable for education categories was created based on the highest education grade (hom54) completed.

 Table 8. Harmonization Protocol, Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis, United States, 2003-2012.

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is performed)	-	Calculated		 Exam=1 represents baseline where no spirometry was performed
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	GENDER1	
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centim eter	Original	Ex 1: HTCM1 Ex 2: HTCM2 Ex 3: HTCM3 Ex 4: HTCM4 Ex 5: HTCM5	
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma ever, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	ASTHMA1	
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE Doctor diagnosed diabetes, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	DIABET1	
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed emphysema, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	EMPHYS1	
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	HIGHBP1	

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Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original		
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of pre_fev1 over pre_fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Original		
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original		
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original	RACE1C	
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=3 then race_black=1, else race_black=0
RACE_CHINESE (Asian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=2 then race_chinese=1, else race_chinese=0
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Original	RACE1C	
Table 8. Harmonization Protocol, Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis, United States, 2003-2012.

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=4 then race_hispanic=1, else race_hispanic=0
RACE_AMIND (American Indian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=5 then race_amind=1, else race_amind =0
RACE_OTHERS (Other race:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=6 then race_others=1, else race_others=0
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=1 then race_white=1, else race_white=0
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY (Cigarettes smoked per day, time variant)		Original	Ex 1: CIGSDAY1 Ex2: CIGSDAY2 Ex 3: CIGSDAY3 Ex 4: CIGSDAY4 Ex 5: CIGSDAY5 MESA AIR: CIGSDAY1	
SMOKING_CIGS_PERDAY_BASE (Cigarettes smoked per day at baseline)	-	Original	CIGSDAY1	
SMOKING_CURRENT (<i>Current smoker, time variant:</i> 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0

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Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at exam 1:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at exam 1:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at exam 1:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years ,time variant)	Years	Original	Ex 1: PKYRS1C Ex 2: PKYRS2C Ex3: PKYRS3C Ex 4: PKYRS4C Ex 5: PKYRS5C MESA AIR: PKYRS1C	
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Original	PKYRS1C	

 Table 8. Harmonization Protocol, Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis, United States, 2003-2012.

Variable (Label)	Units	Original/ Calculated	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant:0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Original	Ex 1: CIG1C Ex 2: CIG2C Ex 3: CIG3C Ex 4: CIG4C Ex 5: CIG5C MESA AIR: CIG1C	
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at exam 1: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	CIG1C	
SPIRO_QC_FLAG (Indicates that observation had FEV1 lower than subsequent at least by 1L)	-	Calculated		 This variable flags the observation with FEV1 < 1L than subsequent exam.
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Calculated		 Calculated using formula: age at spirometry - age at baseline spirometry
TTY_CLD_TOT_PRI (<i>Time to primary CLRD event</i>)	-	Calculated		Based on date at which event occurred and censored
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilogra m	Calculated	Ex 1: WTLB1 Ex 2: WTLB2 Ex 3: WTLB3 Ex 4: WTLB4 Ex 5: WTLB5	 Originally weight was recorded in pounds which were converted to kgs.

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
AGE (Age (years), time variant)	Years	Original	Phase 1: S1AGE Phase 2: S2AGE	
AGE_BASELINE (Age at first spirometry exam)	Years	Original	Phase 1: S1AGE	•
BMI (Body mass index, time variant)	Kg/m²	Original	Phase 1: S1BMI Phase 2: S2BMI	•
COUNT (Number of observation for each subject)	-			
EDU_CAT (Highest education at baseline: 0=No schooling, 1=Grades 1-8, 2=Grades 9- 11,3=High school, 4=Some college, 5=Bachelor degree,6=Graduate degree)	-	Calculated	Phase 1: S1EDU	 New variable for education categories was created based on the highest education grade (S1EDU) completed.
EXAM (Exam/visit at which spirometry is performed)	-	Original		
GENDER (Gender: 1=Male, 0=Female)	-	Original	Phase 1: SEX	Recoded: F (female) to 0, M (male) to 1

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
HT_CM (Height (cms), time variant)	Centimete r	Original	Phase 1: S1HT Phase 2: S2HT	
IDNO (Original participant id for SHS study)	-	Original		
PMH_ASTHMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed asthma at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	Phase 2: s2med2_22	Question asked only in Phase 2
PMH_ASTHMA_STILL_BASE (Still have asthma at baseline:1=Yes, <i>0=No</i>)	-	Original	Phase 2: s2med2_23	Question asked only in Phase 2
PMH_CBRONCHITIS_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed chronic bronchitis at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	Phase 2: s2med2_21	Question asked only in Phase 2
PMH_DIABETES_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed diabetes at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	Phase 1: s1dmhx_n	 Recoded: 1(no) to 0, 2 (borderline) to 0, 3(yes) to 1
PMH_EMPHYSEMA_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed emphysema at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	Phase 1: s1med31	

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(Label)	Units	/ Original	Name	and/or correction
PMH_HTN_MD_BASE (Doctor diagnosed hypertension at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	Phase 1: s1htnhx_n	
PRE_FEV1 (Forced expiratory volume in one sec (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	s2fev1	
PRE_FEV1FVC (Ratio of pre_fev1 over pre_fvc (%), time variant)	Percent	Calculated	s2fev1fvc_ratio	
PRE_FVC (Forced vital capacity (L), time variant)	Liters	Original	s2fvc	
RACE (Race: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5=American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Calculated		Race was coded as 5 for American Indians
RACE_BLACK (Black or African American: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=1 (American Indians), race_black=0
RACE_CHINESE (Asian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=1 (American Indians), race_chinese=0

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
RACE_ETHNICITY (Race/ethnicity: 1=White, 2=Asian, 3=Black, 4=Hispanic/Latino, 5= American Indian, 6=Other)	-	Calculated		Race was coded as 5 for American Indians
RACE_HISPANIC (Hispanic/Latino:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=1 (American Indians), race_hispanic=0
RACE_AMIND (American Indian:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 if race=5 then race_amind=1, else race_amind =0
RACE_OTHERS (Other race:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=1 (American Indians), race_others=0
RACE_WHITE (White: 1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Since race=1 (American Indians), race_white=1
SMOKING_CURRENT (<i>Current smoker, time variant:1=Yes,</i> <i>0=No</i>)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0
SMOKING_CURRENT_BASELINE (Current smoker at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=2 then smoking_current=1; else smoking_current=0

Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
SMOKING_EVER (Ever smoker, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_EVER_BASELINE (Ever smoker at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=0 then smoking_ever=0; else smoking_ever=1
SMOKING_FORMER (Former smoker, time variant:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_FORMER_BASELINE (Former smoker at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Calculated		 Calculated from smoking status: if smoking status=1 then smoking_former=1; else smoking_former=0
SMOKING_PACKYEARS (Cigarettes pack years, time variant)	Years	Original	Phase 1: s1ppy Phase 2: s2ppy	• For former smokers who had been former smoker at previous visit, total number of pack years were carried forward from previous visit.
SMOKING_PACKYEARS_BASELINE (Cigarettes pack years at baseline visit)	Years	Original	Phase 1: s1ppy	
SMOKING_STATUS (3 levels of smoking status, time variant:0=Never, 1=Former, 2=Current)	-	Original	Phase 1: s1smoke_n Phase 2: s2smoke_n	 Recoded: 1 (never) to 0, 2 (former) to 1, 3 (current) to Missing observations were substituted with values based on some basic assumptions. Any participant with missing values for smoking status at any exam but recorded as

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Variable (Label)	Units	Calculated / Original	Original Variable Name	Details regarding classification, calculation, and/or correction
				 never smoker in subsequent was considered as never smokers at previous exams too. Participants who were recorded as former smoker at exam 1 were considered as former smokers at subsequent exams unless specified.
SMOKING_STATUS_BASELINE (3 levels of smoking status at baseline:1=Yes, 0=No)	-	Original	Phase 1: s1smoke_n	
STUDY (Name of cohort, categorical: aric, card, chs, habc, fhs, mesa, hchs/sol, shs)	-	Calculated		
TIMEFACTOR_SPIRO (<i>Time from baseline spirometry exam,</i> years)	Years	Calculated		 Timefactor is zero because of only one spirometry exam.
WT_KG (Weight (KG), time variant)	Kilogram	Original	Phase 1: S1WT Phase 2: S2WT	