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**Increasing circulating Lysosomal
Acid Lipase for reduction of
atherosclerosis in ApoE-deficient
mice using mRNA-containing lipid
nanoparticles**

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Zoom Video Conference
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"Lysosomal acid lipase (LAL) is an important cholesterol metabolizing enzyme that has been identified as a susceptibility gene for coronary artery disease. LAL levels are low in the most abundant type of cholesterol-overloaded cells in diseased arteries, and in vitro, supplemental LAL increases removal of cholesterol from overloaded cells. My work uses lipid nanoparticles containing mRNA encoding for LAL to investigate whether increasing circulating levels of LAL can reduce disease in mice"

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