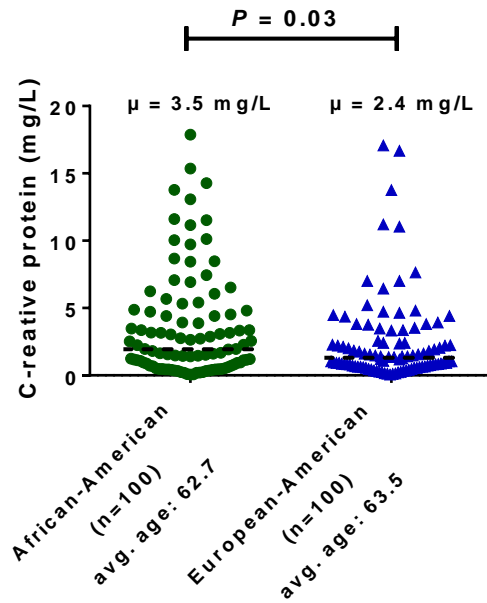
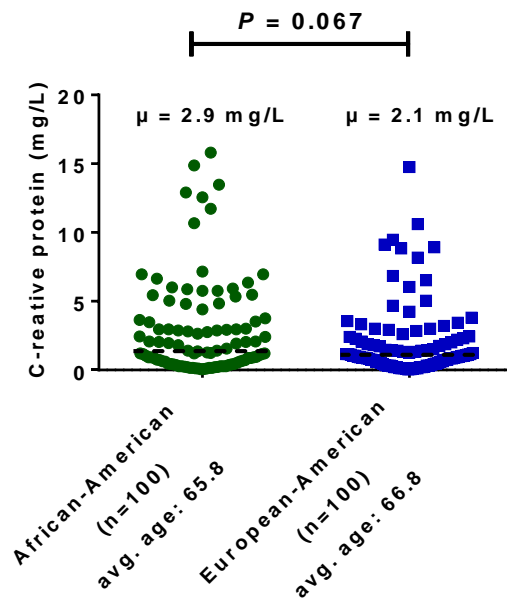


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Supplementary Figure 1. Increased C-reactive protein (CRP) plasma level in African-American (AA) men. Differences in CRP plasma level between AA and European-American (EA) men. CRP was measured in plasma samples of cases (100 AA, 100 EA) and controls (100 AA, 100 EA). **(A)** CRP levels are significantly higher in AA patients compared with EA patients. **(B)** CRP plasma levels are higher in AA controls compared with EA controls, albeit not statistically significant. Two-sided Mann-Whitney U test. μ = mean.