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**TABLE 1.** Baseline characteristics of the 996 participants.

Baseline Characteristics	Participants
	%
≥12 years of education	28.6
Married or has a Partner	53.9
High Alcohol Intake ( $\geq 24$ grams per day)	6.0
High Caffeine Intake (equivalent to $\geq 3$ cups of coffee per day)	35.9
Current Smoker ( $\geq 10$ pkts each year)	3.7
Carrier of the Apoe4 allele	17.8
Depression (CESD $\geq 16$ )	34.5
Anticholinergic Medication	6.3
Antidepressant or Benzodiazepine Medication	9.6
Comorbidity <sup>a</sup>	37.7
Incapacities	4.2
	<u>Mean (sd)</u>
Age	72.8 (5.5)
Age at 1 <sup>st</sup> Menses	13.1 (1.6)
Age at Menopause	49.5 (5.4)
Number of Reproductive Years <sup>b</sup>	36.6 (5.6)
	%
Surgical Menopause	18.7
Oral Contraceptive Use	19.1
Nulliparous	12.0
<u>Number of Children</u>	<u>%</u>
0	12.0
1	16.3
2 or 3	54.8
>3	16.9
<u>Age at birth of 1<sup>st</sup> child</u>	<u>%</u>
≤ 20	18.7
21 - 29	59.4
≥ 30	21.9
<u>Hormone Treatment (HT)</u>	<u>%</u>
Never	65.8
Past	19.4
Current	14.8
<u>Duration of HT</u>	<u>%</u>
Never	65.8
0 – 9 years of Past use	11.8
≥ 10 years of Past use	7.6
0 – 9 years of Current use	3.7
≥ 10 years of Current use	11.0

<sup>a</sup>Includes a chronic disease (cardiovascular disease, other heart problems, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, diabetes, thyroid problems), or cancer diagnosed within the last 2 years. <sup>c</sup> Age at menopause minus age at first menses. <sup>b</sup>N=876 parous women.