1. Title (length 26):
Fatigue and Wall Thickness

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3. Timeline:
Data analysis can begin as soon as Visit 2 data are complete. Draft manuscript six months later.

4. Rationale:
The ARIC (Maastrich) Fatigue Questionnaire was shown to be associated with coronary disease incidence in a previous study. It is of interest to find out if it is associated with carotid artery wall thickness as well.

5. Main Hypothesis:
Participants with increased fatigue will have thicker carotid artery walls than those without such symptoms.

6. Data (variables, time window, source, inclusions/exclusions):