**Reviewer's report**

**Title:** Common Carotid Artery Wall Thickness and External Diameter as Predictors of Prevalent and Incident Cardiac Events, the Atherosclerosis Risk in Communities Study Limited Access Data (ARICLAD)

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**Reviewer:** lucia venneri

**Reviewer's report:**

**General**
An interesting, original, and believable paper.
Accept as it is.

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**Major Compulsory Revisions** (that the author must respond to before a decision on publication can be reached)

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**Minor Essential Revisions** (such as missing labels on figures, or the wrong use of a term, which the author can be trusted to correct)

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**What next?:** Accept without revision

**Level of interest:** An article of importance in its field

**Quality of written English:** Acceptable

**Statistical review:** No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.