Supplemental Material

| Table S1 – Adjusted hazard ratios (95% CI) for incident MI (fatal and non-fatal) per CIMT quartile | Table S1 – Adjusted hazard ratios | (95% CI) for incident MI (fat | tal and non-fatal) per CIMT quartile |
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| | Quartiles of mean CIMT (mm) | | | | | |
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| | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | | |
| | < 0.70 | 0.70 to 0.78 | 0.78 to 0.90 | 0.90 to 1.79 | | |
| Total number of men | 338 | 359 | 348 | 350 | | |
| Number of MI events | 20 | 21 | 35 | 33 | | |
| Rate/1000 pyrs | 7.94 | 8.38 | 14 | 13.79 | | |
| Models | | | | | Per unit SD increase | |
| Model 1, HR (95% CI) | 1.0 (ref.) | 1.36 (0.63, 2.93) | 1.98 (0.96, 4.05) | 2.01 (0.98, 4.13) | 1.27 (1.05, 1.54)** | |
| Model 2, HR (95% CI) | 1.0 (ref.) | 1.18 (0.54, 2.57) | 1.74 (0.84, 3.62) | 1.81 (0.87, 3.78) | 1.29 (1.05, 1.58)** | |
| * CIMT SD = 0.157. ** P < 0.05. Model 1: adjusted for age. Model 2: adjusted for age, so | | | | tin medication, prevaler | nt diabetes, prevalent stro | |

systolic blood pressure, hypertensive medication and atrial arrhythmias.

| | Q1 | Q2 | Q3 | Q4 | | | | |
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| | < 9.25 | 9.25 to < 11.75 | 11.75 to 14.75 | >14.76 | | | | |
| Total number of men | 353 | 355 | 345 | 333 | | | | |
| Number of MI events | 38 | 22 | 22 | 26 | | | | |
| Rate/1000 pyrs | 16.28 | 8.95 | 8.67 | 10.26 | | | | |
| Models | | | | | Per unit SD increase | | | |
| Model 1, HR (95% CI) | 1.24 (0.65, 2.37) | 0.88 (0.44, 1.74) | 0.87 (0.43, 1.74) | 1.0 (ref.) | 0.89 (0.69, 1.15) | | | |
| Model 2, HR (95% CI) | 1.08 (0.54, 2.17) | 0.88 (0.44, 1.79) | 0.80 (0.39, 1.65) | 1.0 (ref.) | 0.90 (0.69, 1.18) | | | |
| * Carotid distensibility SD = 4.177. | | | | | | | | |
| **P < 0.05. | | | | | | | | |
| Model 1: adjusted for age. Model 2: adjusted for age, social class, smoking, physical activity, alcohol intake, BMI, statin medication, prevalent diabetes, prevalent stroke, pulse pressure, hypertensive medication and atrial arrhythmias. | | | | | | | | |

Table S2 – Adjusted hazard ratios (95% CI) for incident MI (fatal and non-fatal) per distensibility quartile

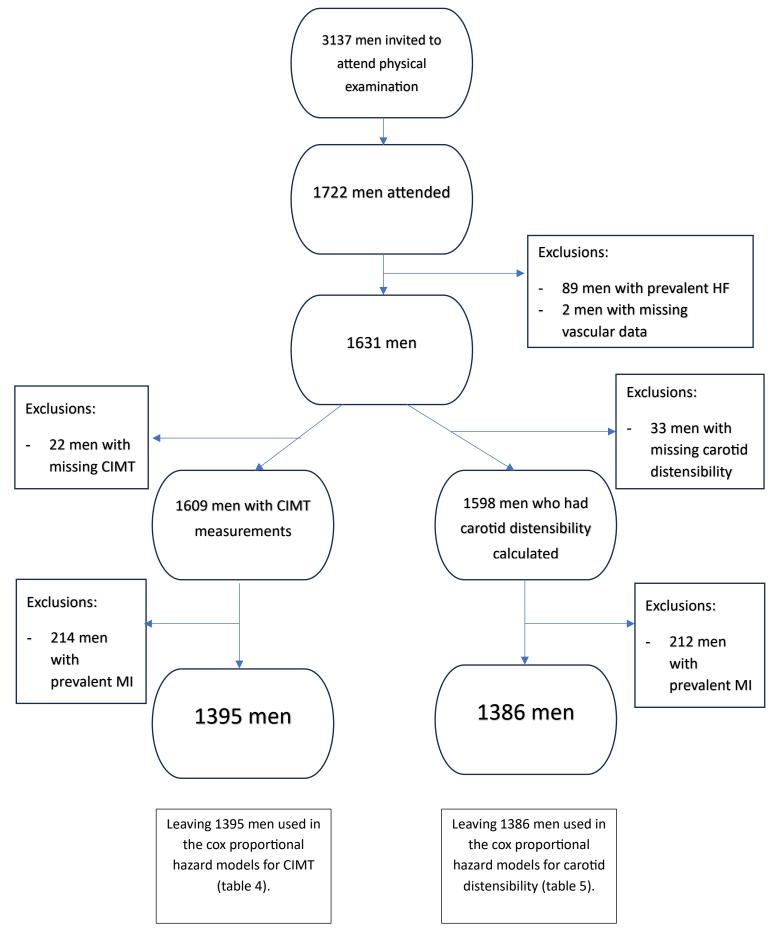


Figure S1. Flowchart demonstrating study participant selection.