Timeline for the Multi-Ethnic Study of Atherosclerosis

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Month                 1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7   1   7
Year                 99  99  00  00  01  01  02  02  03  03  04  04  05  05  06  06  07  07  08  08  09  09  10  10
Contract             |-----------------------------------------First Project Period-----------------------------------||------Renewal------>
Develop
protocol             |-----------|
Baseline
Examination                      |----Exam 1-----|
Follow-up
Examinations                                     |---Exam 2---| |--Exam 3---| |-----Exam 4-----|
Follow up CT                                     |-----50%-----| |-----50%-----| |------25%--------|

Follow up US                                     |-----50%-----| |-----50%-----|
Follow up MRI                                                                     |----Tagging----|
Morbidity/
 mortality follow up                 |-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------->
Analysis/
publication                          |-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------->
Ancillary Studies                     EXPOSURE DRIVEN                          OUTCOME DRIVEN
                                      (e.g., cohort collection)               (e.g., nested Case-Control)
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