Parkinson's Disease Fatigue Scale (PFS-16)

Printed below are a series of statements about fatigue and the impact that it can have.

How well do the statements describe your own feelings and experiences over the <u>past two weeks</u>?

Read each item and decide how much you agree or disagree with it. Then tick the appropriate box.

<u>Tick only one box for each item and try not to miss any out.</u>

		Strongly disagree	Disagree	Do not agree or disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
1	I have to rest during the day					
2	My life is restricted by fatigue					
3	I get tired more quickly than other people I know					
4	Fatigue is one of my three worst symptoms					
5	I feel completely exhausted					
6	Fatigue makes me reluctant to socialise					
7	It takes me longer to get things done because of fatigue					
8	I have a feeling of heaviness					
9	If I wasn't so tired I could do more things					
10	Everything I do is an effort					
11	I feel tired for much of the time					
12	I feel totally drained					
13	Fatigue makes it difficult for me to cope with everyday activities					
14	I feel tired even when I haven't done anything					
15	Because of fatigue I do less in my day than I would like					
16	I get so tired I want to lie down wherever I am					

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Scoring method 1

Strong Disagree	1
Disagree	2
Neither agree nor disagree	3
Agree	4
Strongly agree	5

Scoring method 2 *

Strong Disagree	0
Disagree	0
Neither agree nor disagree	0
Agree	1
Strongly agree	1

Score of ≥8 indicates the presence of significant fatigue

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^{*} Note: Although Scoring method 2 is easier to compute, a study of the metric properties of the PFS-16 did not recommend its use.