



# ***STAT 12 Lead ECG Workshop: Basics & ACS***

**Citrus County Fire Rescue – Session 2**

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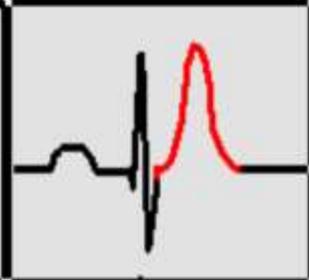
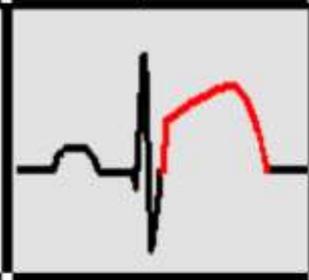
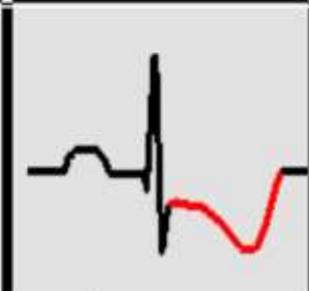
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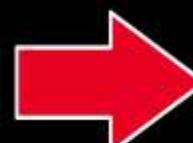
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# ***PATTERNS of ACS & ISCHEMIA***

-- J POINT, ST SEGMENT, and T WAVE ABNORMALITIES --

! FLAT or CONVEX J-T APEX SEGMENT			<b><i>ACUTE MI</i></b> <b><i>EARLY PHASE</i></b>
! HYPER-ACUTE T WAVE			<b><i>ACUTE MI</i></b> <b><i>EARLY PHASE</i></b>
! S-T SEGMENT ELEVATION at J POINT			<b><i>ACUTE MI</i></b>
! DEPRESSED J pt. DOWNSLOPING ST and INVERTED T			<b>- ACUTE (NON-Q WAVE) MI</b> <b>- ACUTE MI - (RECIPROCAL CHANGES)</b> <b>- ISCHEMIA</b>



# ECG CRITERIA for DIAGNOSIS of STEMI:

## (ST ELEVATION @ J POINT)

### \*LEADS V2 and V3:

MALES AGE 40 and up ----- 2.0 mm

(MALES LESS THAN 40----- 2.5 mm)

FEMALES ----- 1.5 mm

ALL OTHER LEADS: 1.0 mm or more,  
in TWO or more  
CONTIGUOUS LEADS

\* P. Rautaharju et al, "Standardization and Interpretation of the ECG," JACC 2009;(53)No.11:982-991

# STEMI Criteria for 18 Lead ECGs:

*Right-Sided Chest Leads*

*(V3R – V6R): 0.5 mm*

*Posterior Chest Leads*

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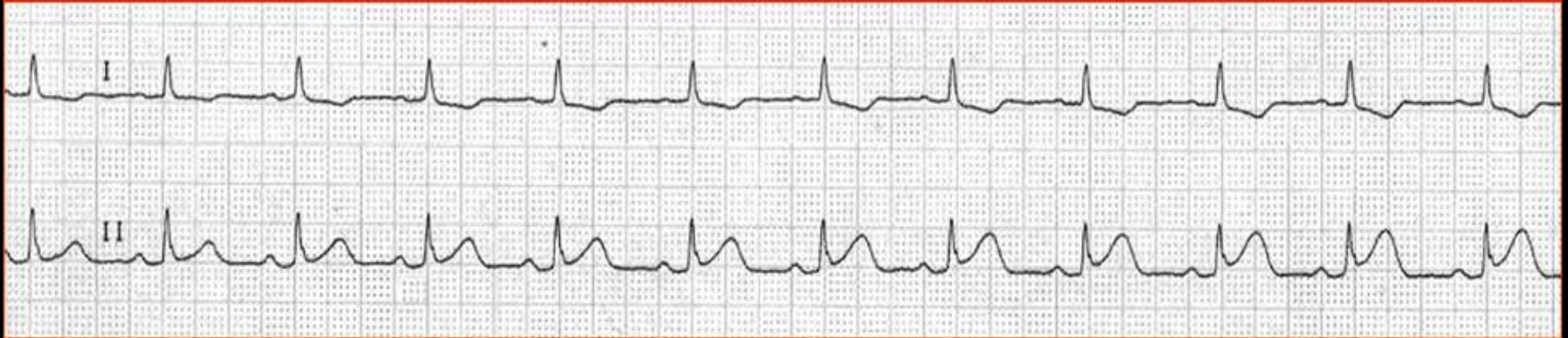
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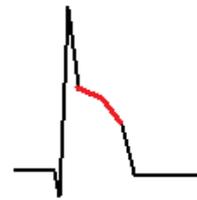
# ***ST SEGMENT ELEVATION:***

**S-T SEGMENTS ELEVATE WITHIN SECONDS OF CORONARY ARTERY OCCLUSION:**



**IN THIS CASE, a normal response to balloon occlusion of the RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY during PTCA in the CARDIAC CATH LAB**

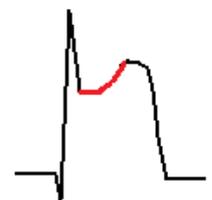
**3 COMMON PATTERNS of  
ST SEGMENT ELEVATION  
From ACUTE MI:**



**DOWNSLOPING  
S-T SEGMENT**



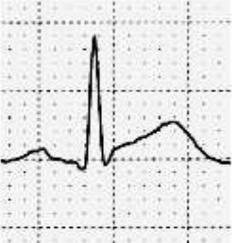
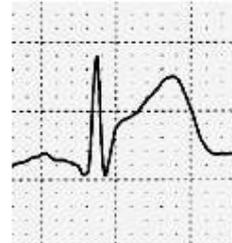
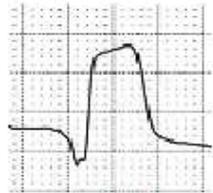
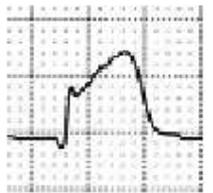
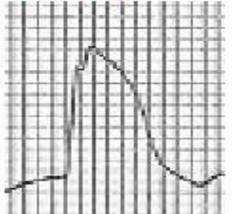
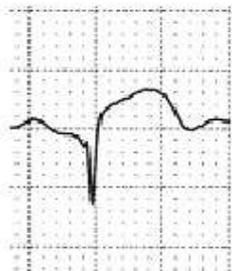
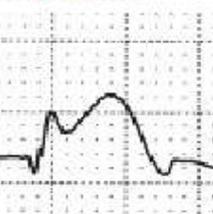
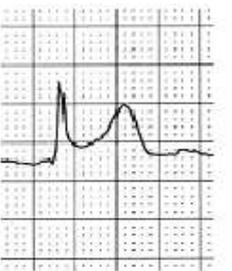
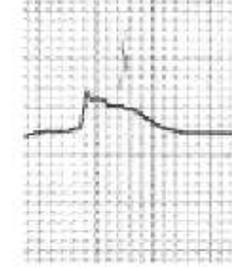
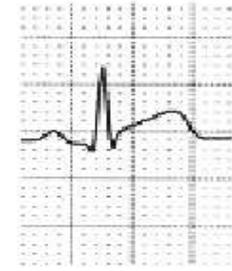
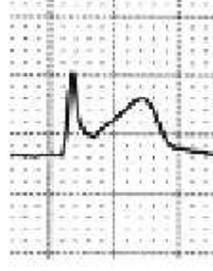
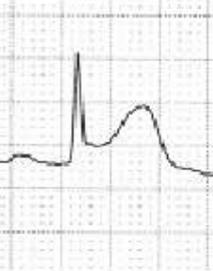
**FLAT  
S-T SEGMENT**



**UPSLOPING  
S-T SEGMENT**

## ***ST SEGMENT ELEVATION in ACUTE MI:***

The following samples are from patients with ACUTE MI, as confirmed by discovery of total arterial occlusion in the Cardiac Cath Lab:

 <p>V5 - ANTERIOR LATERAL MI</p>	 <p>V4 - ANTERIOR LATERAL MI</p>	 <p>aVL - ANTERIOR LATERAL MI</p>	<p><b>"TOOMBSTONE" PATTERN</b></p>  <p>V2 - ANTERIOR LATERAL MI</p>	<p><b>"FIREMAN'S HAT" PATTERN</b></p>  <p>V3 - ANTERIOR LATERAL MI</p>
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 <p>III - INFERIOR MI</p>	 <p>III - INFERIOR POSTERIOR MI</p>	 <p>III - INFERIOR MI</p>	 <p>III - INFERIOR MI</p>	 <p>II - INFERIOR POSTERIOR MI</p>

Reciprocal S-T Segment Depression *may* or *may not* be present during AMI.

The presence of S-T Depression on an EKG which exhibits significant S-T elevation is a fairly reliable indicator that AMI is the diagnosis.

However the *lack of Reciprocal S-T Depression* DOES NOT rule out AMI.

# ACUTE MI

## COMPLICATIONS TO ANTICIPATE FOR ALL MI PATIENTS :

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**LETHAL DYSRHYTHMIAS**



**CARDIAC ARREST**



**FAILURE OF STRUCTURE(S)  
SERVED BY THE BLOCKED ARTERY**

# INTERPRET THE EKG, THEN:

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- KEY IDENTIFY THE AREA OF THE HEART WITH A PROBLEM ...
- KEY RECALL THE ARTERY WHICH SERVES THAT REGION ...
- KEY RECALL OTHER STRUCTURES SERVED BY THAT ARTERY ...
- KEY ANTICIPATE FAILURE OF THOSE STRUCTURES ...
- KEY INTERVENE APPROPRIATELY!

***STEMI CASE  
STUDIES***

STEMI Case Studies,  
excerpts from “12 Lead  
ECG Interpretation in ACS  
with Case Studies from  
the Cardiac Cath Lab.”

## CASE STUDY 1 - STEMI

### CHIEF COMPLAINT and SIGNIFICANT HISTORY:

72 y/o male, c/o CHEST "HEAVINESS," started 20 minutes before calling 911. Pain is "8" on 1-10 scale, also c/o mild shortness of breath. Has had same pain "intermittently" x 2 weeks.

### RISK FACTOR PROFILE:

-  FAMILY HISTORY - father died of MI at age 77
-  FORMER CIGARETTE SMOKER - smoked for 30 year - quit 27 years ago
-  DIABETES - oral meds and diet controlled
-  HIGH CHOLESTEROL - controlled with STATIN meds
-  AGE: OVER 65

**PHYSICAL EXAM:** Patient calm, alert, oriented X 4, skin cool, dry, pale. No JVD, Lungs clear bilaterally. Heart sounds normal S1, S2. No peripheral edema.

**VITAL SIGNS:** BP: 100/64, P: 75, R: 20, SAO2: 94%

**LABS:** FIRST TROPONIN: 6.4

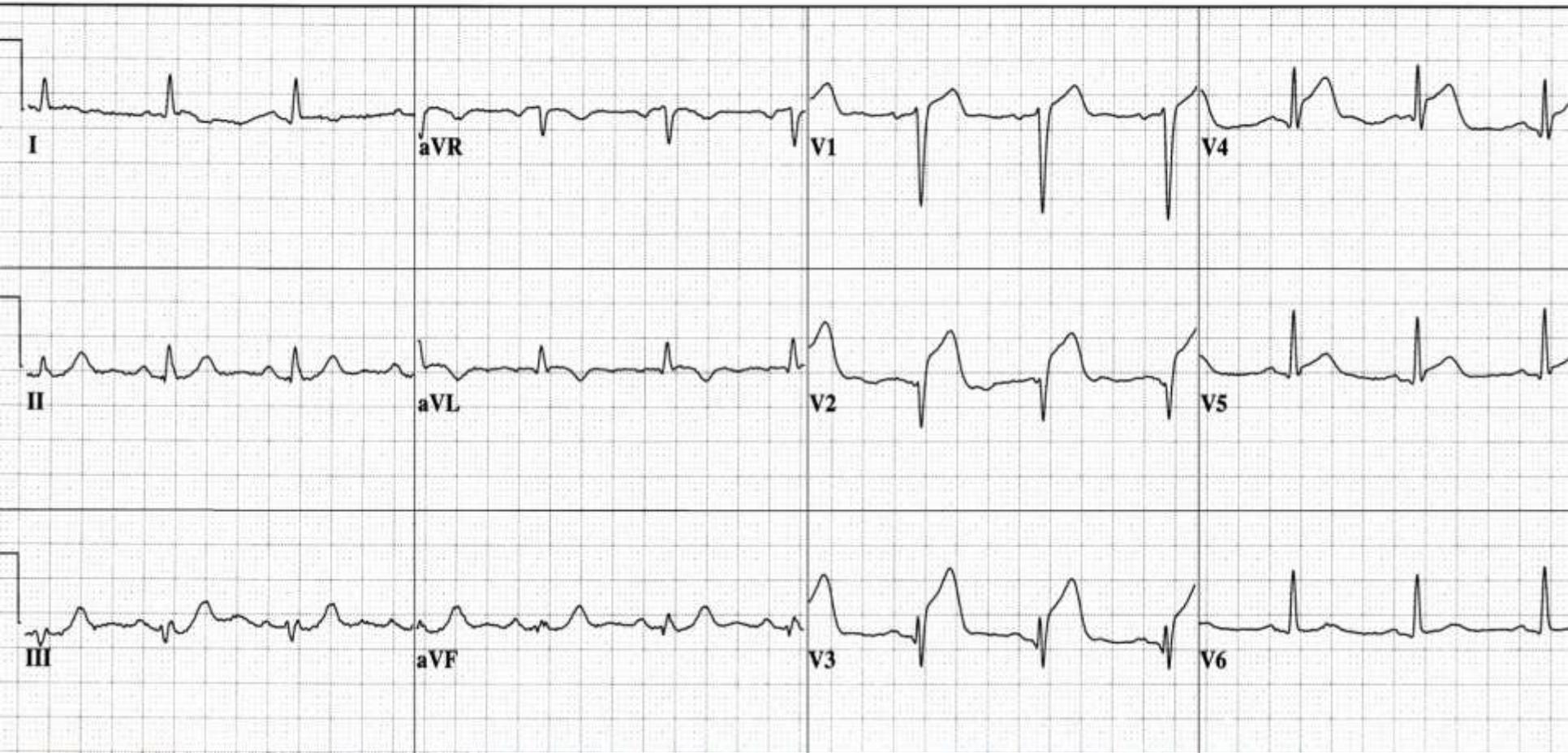
72 yr  
Male      Caucasian  
Loc:3      Option:23

Vent. rate	75	BPM
PR interval	162	ms
QRS duration	98	ms
QT/QTc	382/426	ms
P-R-T axes	72 13	83



**EVALUATE EKG for indicators of ACS:**

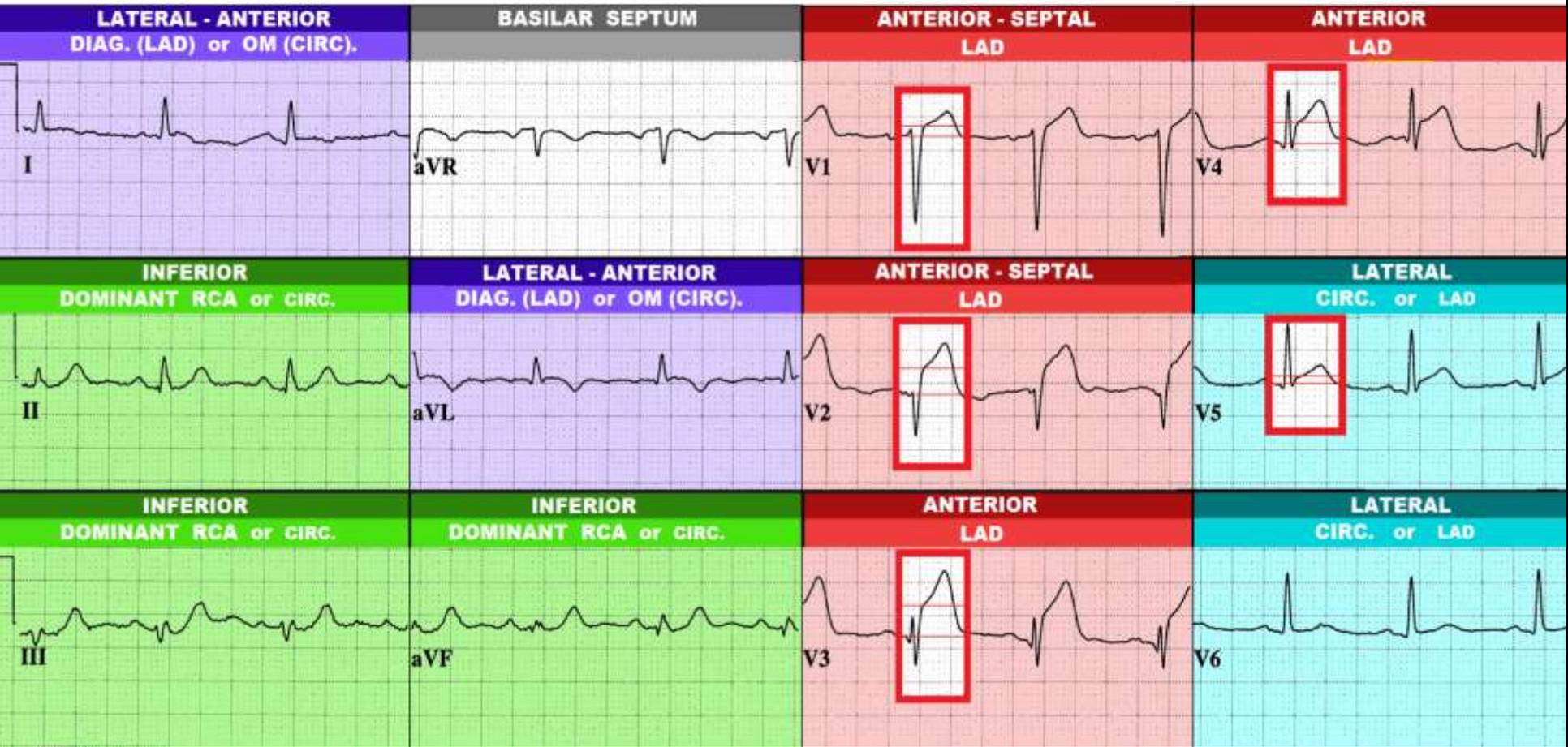
- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION
- HYPERACUTE T WAVES
- CONVEX ST SEGMENTS
- OTHER ST SEGMENT / T WAVE ABNORMALITIES



72 yr Male  
 Caucasian  
 Loc: Option:2  
 Vent. rate 75 BPM  
 PR interval 162 ms  
 QRS duration 98 ms  
 QT/QTc 382/426 ms  
 P-R-T axes 72 13 83

Normal sinus rhythm  
 Anteroseptal infarct, possibly acute  
 \*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*  
 Abnormal ECG

**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

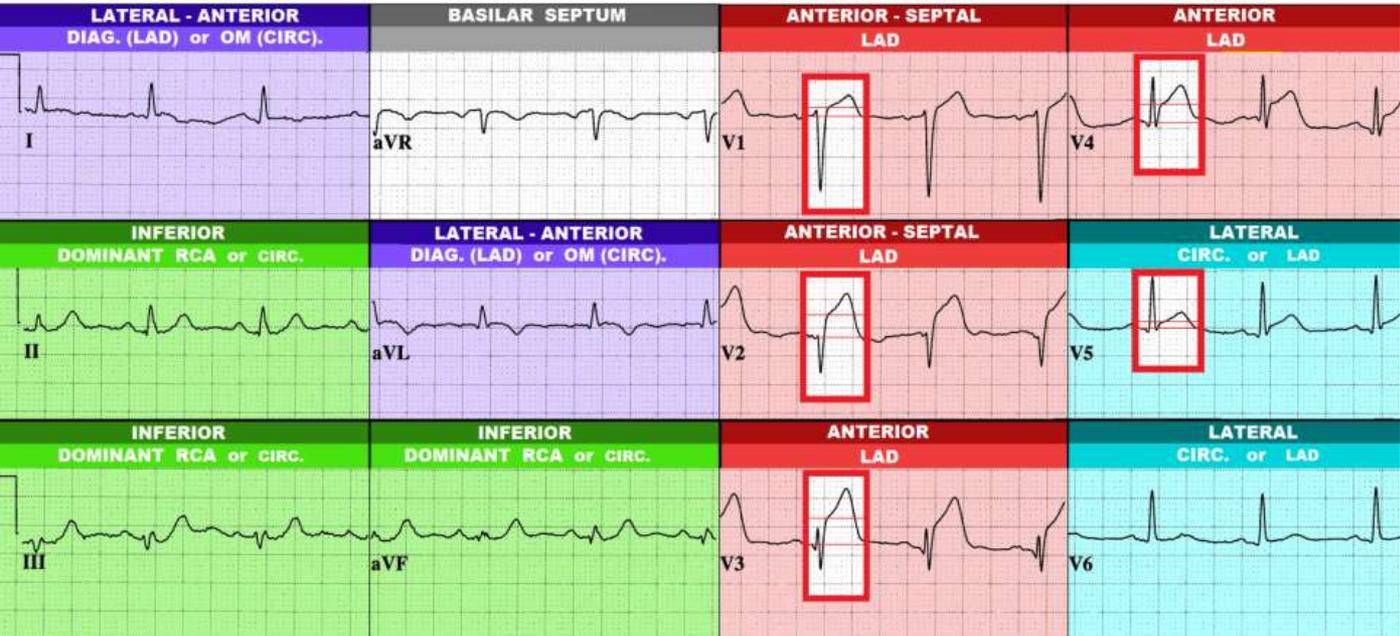


**Note: There is NO Reciprocal ST Depression on this STEMI ECG !**

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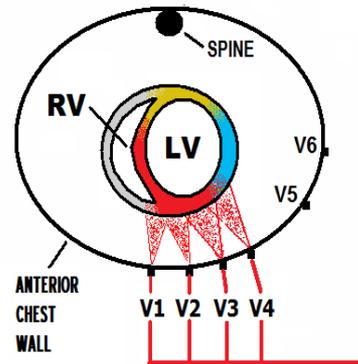
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**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**



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V1, V2 - ANTERIOR / SEPTAL  
 V3, V4 - ANTERIOR

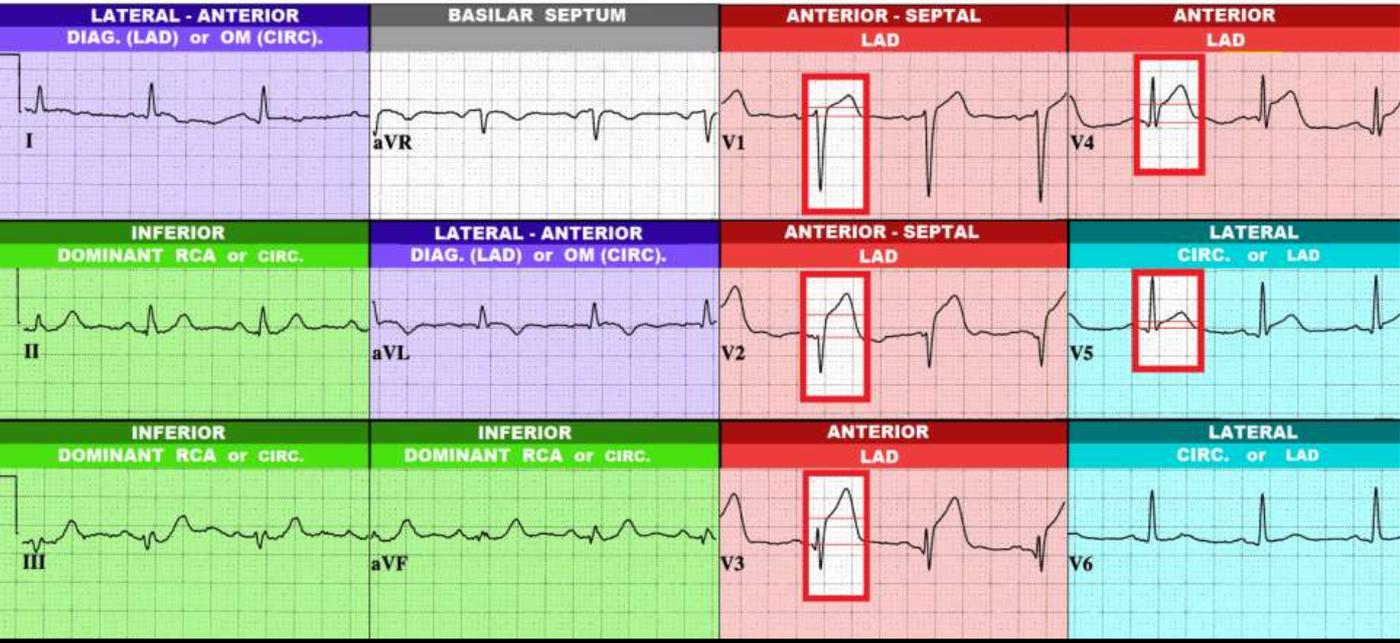


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38 Yrs	Vent. Rate: 68	NORMAL SINUS RHYTHM		
MALE	P-R Int: 160 ms	Normal ECG		
	QRS: 100 ms	Very Healthy Athletic EKG!		
I	AVR	V1	V4	
II	AVL	V2	V5	
III	AVF	V3	V6	

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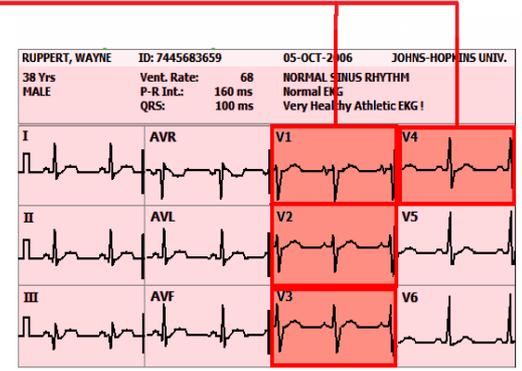
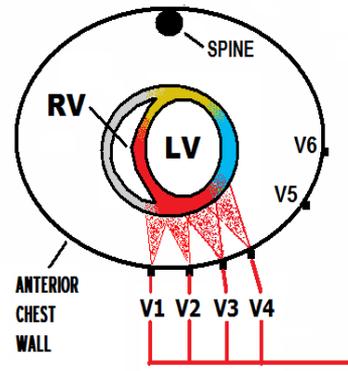
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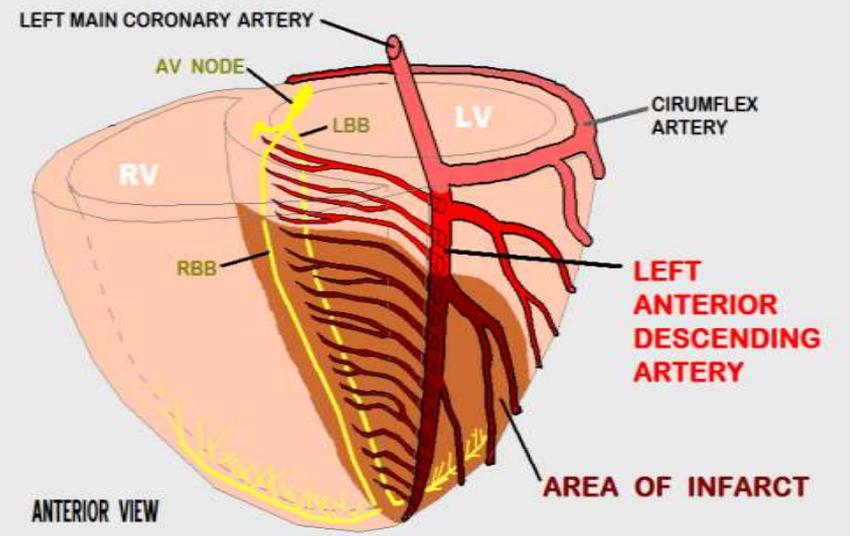


**V1 - V4 VIEW THE ANTERIOR-SEPTAL WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE**

V1, V2 - ANTERIOR / SEPTAL  
 V3, V4 - ANTERIOR



**OCCCLUSION of MID - LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY**



# OCCLUSION of MID - LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY

LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY

AV NODE

LBB

LV

CIRUMFLEX ARTERY

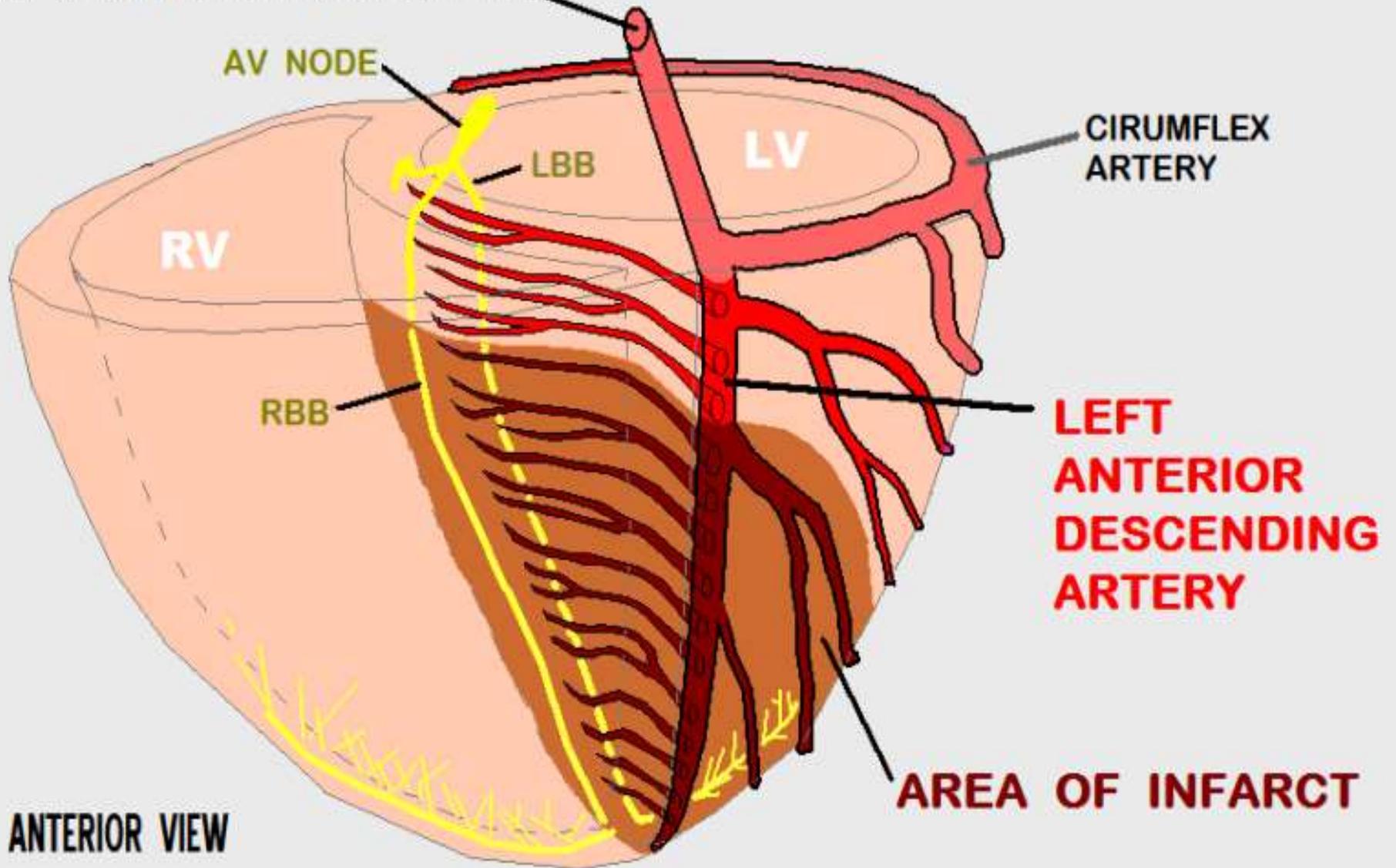
RV

RBB

**LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY**

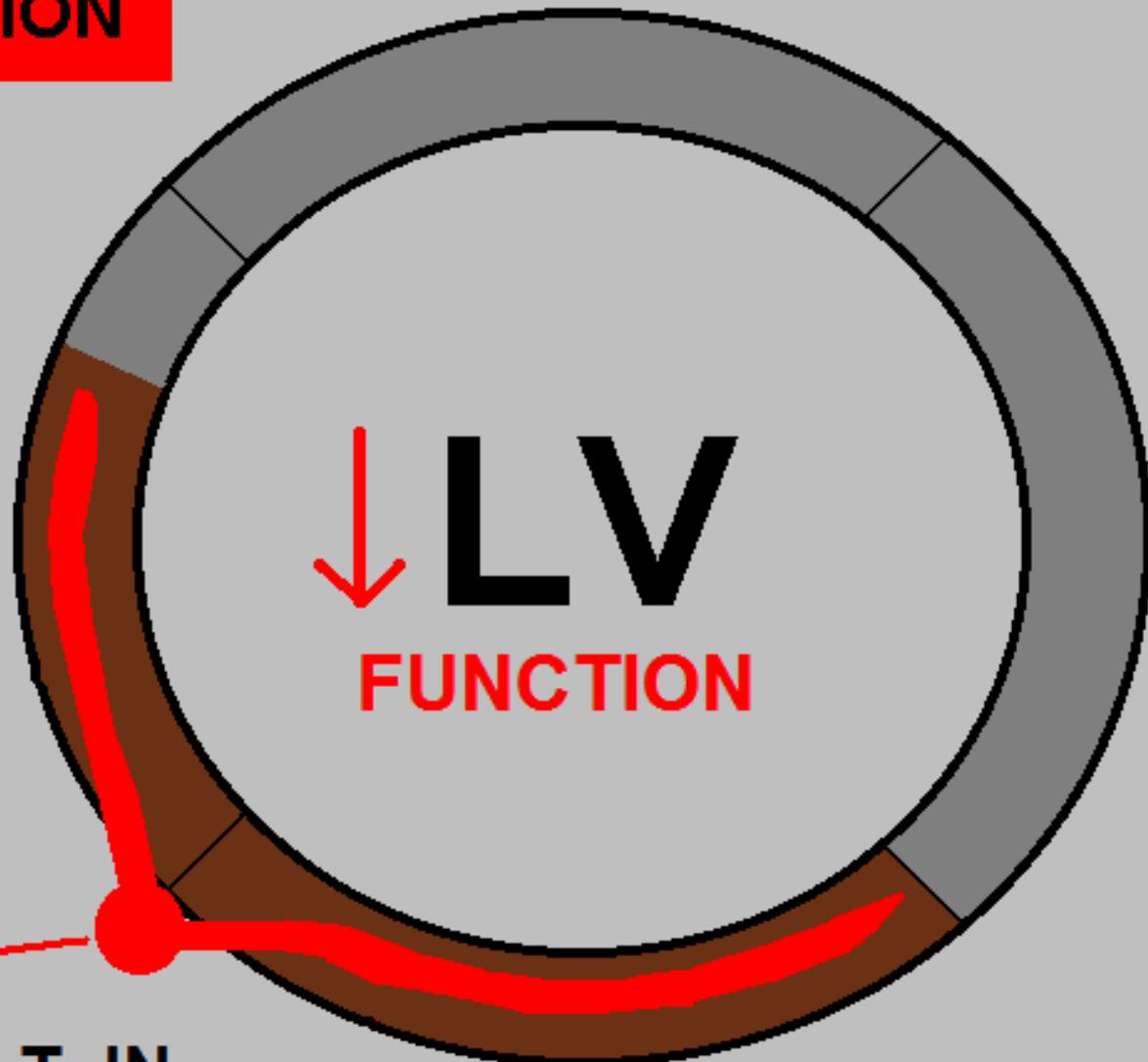
**AREA OF INFARCT**

ANTERIOR VIEW



**LAD  
DISTRIBUTION**

**35 - 45 % of LV MUSCLE MASS**



**↓ LV  
FUNCTION**

**A  
BLOCKAGE  
OF THE  
LAD**

**CAN RESULT IN  
LV PUMP FAILURE --**

-  **CARDIOGENIC SHOCK** 
-  **PULMONARY EDEMA** 

Do not remove this flap until you are ready to use.  
Do not use if overwrap has been damaged or  
damaged. The overwrap is a barrier and overwrap failure  
The inner bag maintains the sterility of the solution.

# 400 mg Dopamine

(1600 mcg/mL)  
Dopamine Hydrochloride  
and 5% Dextrose Injection USP

250 mL

Each 100 mL contains 160 mg Dopamine Hydrochloride  
USP & 5 g Dextrose Hydrochloride USP, pH adjusted with hydrochloric acid  
buffered as a stabilizer. Osmolality 269 mOsmol/L, NaCl  
pH 3.5 (2.5 to 4.5).  
Sterile, nonpyrogenic, single dose container. Dopamine  
should not be made to this solution. Dosage instructions  
should be directed by a physician. See directions. Caution: Break  
in minute leaks by squeezing the inner bag firmly.  
Use only for intravenous solution. A leaky  
inner bag may be a hazard. Do not use if  
in series connections. Do not  
administer intravascularly with blood.  
Do not use if this solution is clear  
and is not darker than slightly yellow.  
Rx Only. Recommended storage:  
Room temperature (25°C). Avoid  
excessive heat. Protect from  
freezing.

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# 500 mg Total DOBUtamine

Hydrochloride  
5% Dextrose Injection  
(2000 mcg/mL)

250 mL

**Baxter**



# LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY ( LAD )

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- ANTERIOR WALL OF LEFT VENTRICLE



**35 - 45 % OF LEFT VENTRICLE MUSCLE MASS**

- SEPTUM, ANTERIOR 2/3

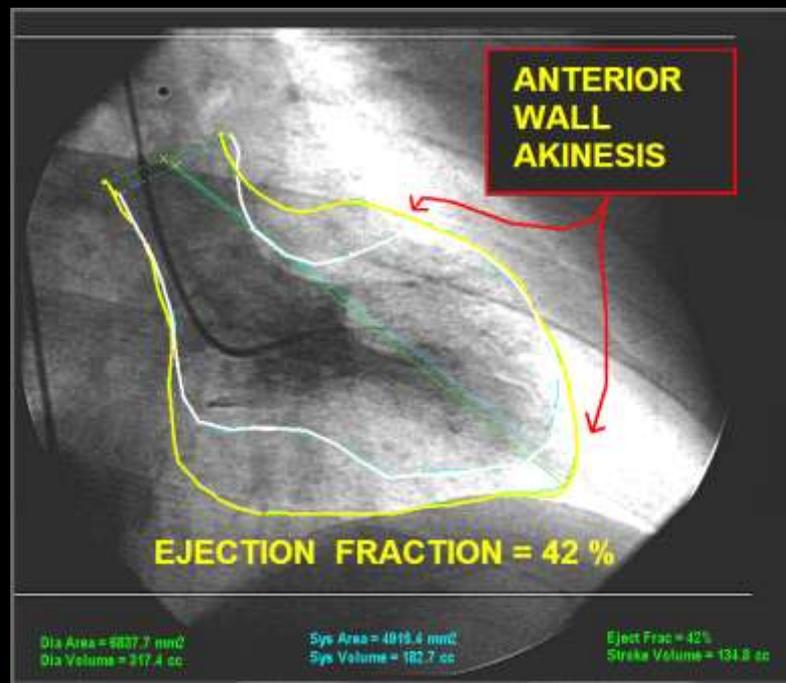
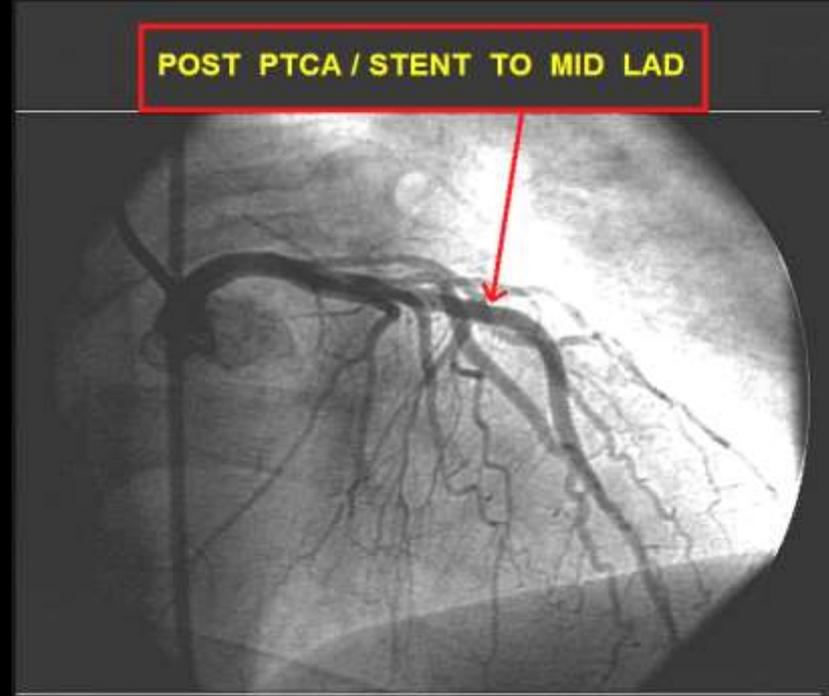
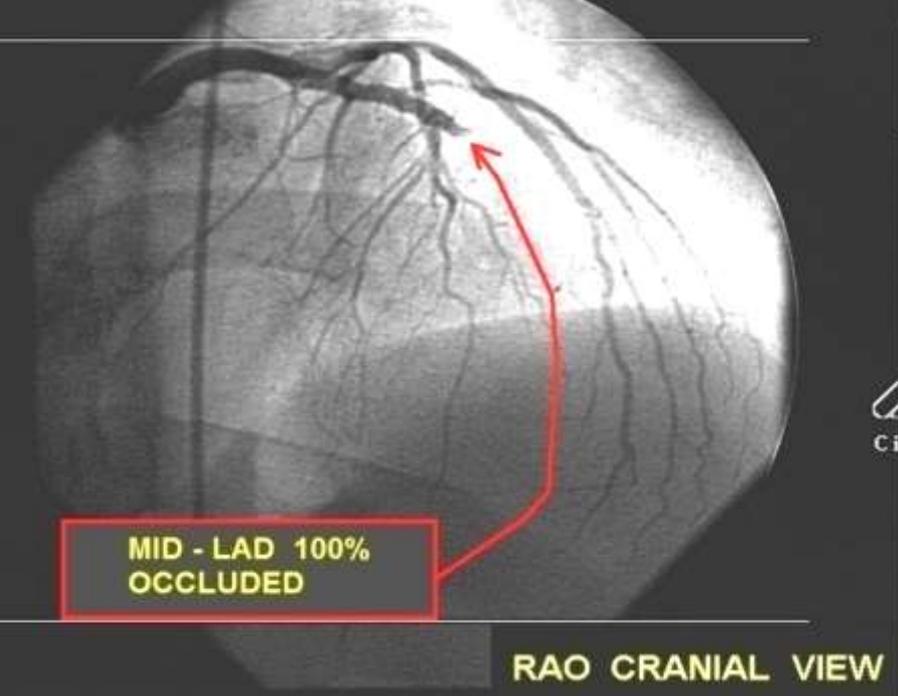


**BUNDLE BRANCHES**

- ANTERIOR-MEDIAL PAPILLARY MUSCLE

# **ANTICIPATED COMPLICATIONS of ANTERIOR-SEPTAL WALL STEMI & POSSIBLE INDICATED INTERVENTIONS:**

<b>- CARDIAC ARREST</b>	<b>BCLS / ACLS</b>
<b>- CARDIAC DYSRHYTHMIAS (VT / VF)</b>	<b>ACLS (antiarrhythmics)</b>
<b>- PUMP FAILURE with CARDIOGENIC SHOCK</b>	<b>INOTROPE THERAPY: -DOPAMINE / DOBUTAMINE / LEVOPHED - INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP (use caution with fluid challenges due to PULMONARY EDEMA)</b>
<b>- PULMONARY EDEMA</b>	<b>- CPAP - ET INTUBATION (use caution with diuretics due to pump failure and hypotension)</b>
<b>- 3rd DEGREE HEART BLOCK - NOT RESPONSIVE TO ATROPINE</b>	<b>TRANSCUTANEOUS or TRANSVENOUS PACING</b>



## CASE STUDY 2: STEMI

### CHIEF COMPLAINT and SIGNIFICANT HISTORY:

46 y/o Female walks into ED TRIAGE, with chief complaint of EPIGASTRIC PAIN, NAUSEA and WEAKNESS. Symptoms have been intermittent for last two days. She was awakened early this morning with the above symptoms, which are now PERSISTENT.

### RISK FACTOR PROFILE:

-  FAMILY HISTORY - father died of CAD, older brother had CABG, age 39
-  DIABETES - diet controlled
-  HYPERTENSION

**PHYSICAL EXAM:** Pt. CAOx4, anxious, SKIN cold, clammy, diaphoretic. No JVD.  
Lungs: clear, bilaterally. Heart Sounds: Normal S1, S2.

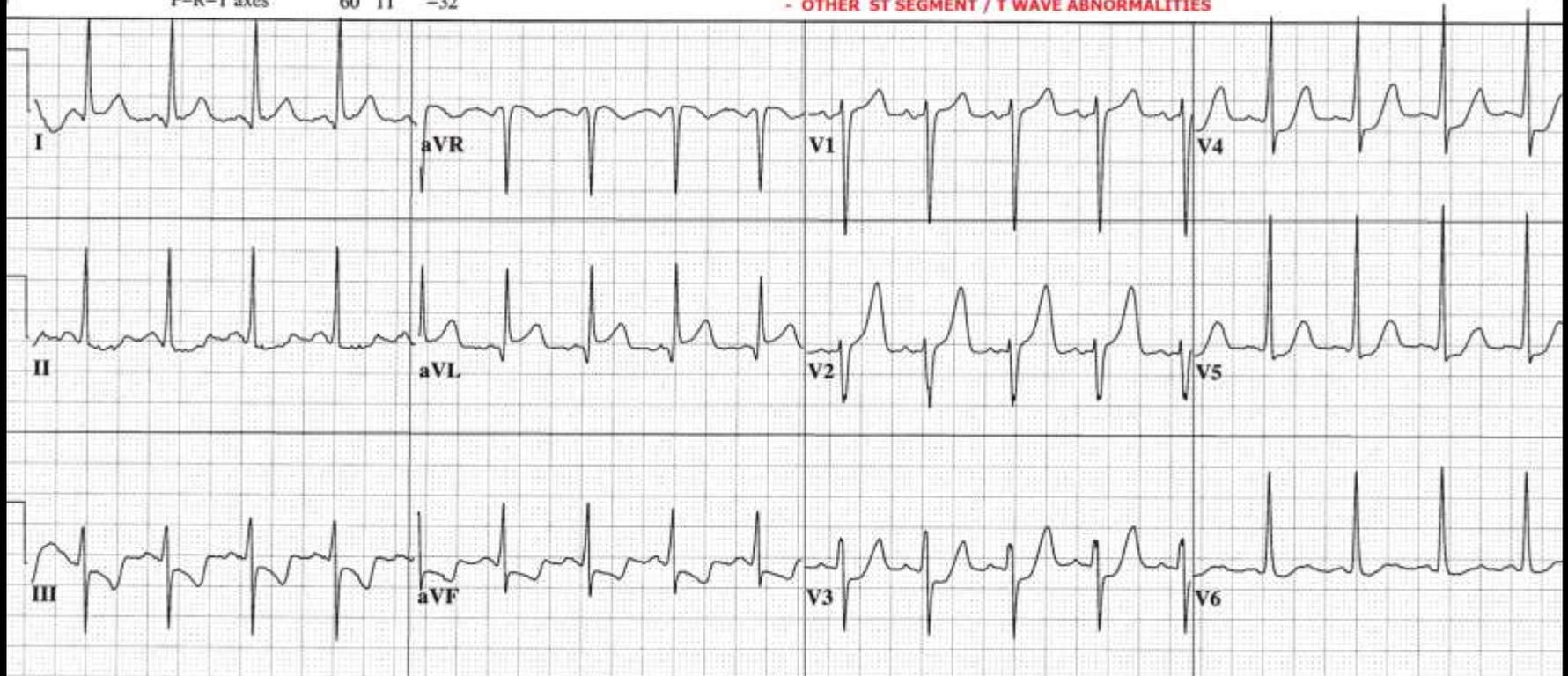
**VITAL SIGNS:** BP: 168/98, P: 110, R: 24, SAO2: 97% on O2 4 LPM via nasal canula

**LABS:** TROPONIN ultra = 2.8

46 yr      Vent. rate      109      BPM  
Female      PR interval      132      ms  
Room:ER      QRS duration      82      ms  
                 QT/QTc      346/465      ms  
                 P-R-T axes      60 11      -32

**EVALUATE EKG for indicators of ACS:**

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**CASE STUDY QUESTIONS:**

**NOTE LEADS WITH ST ELEVATION:**

**NOTE LEADS WITH ST DEPRESSION:**

**WHAT IS THE SUSPECTED DIAGNOSIS ?**

**WHAT IS THE "CULPRIT ARTERY" -- if applicable ?**

**LIST ANY CRITICAL STRUCTURES COMPROMISED:**

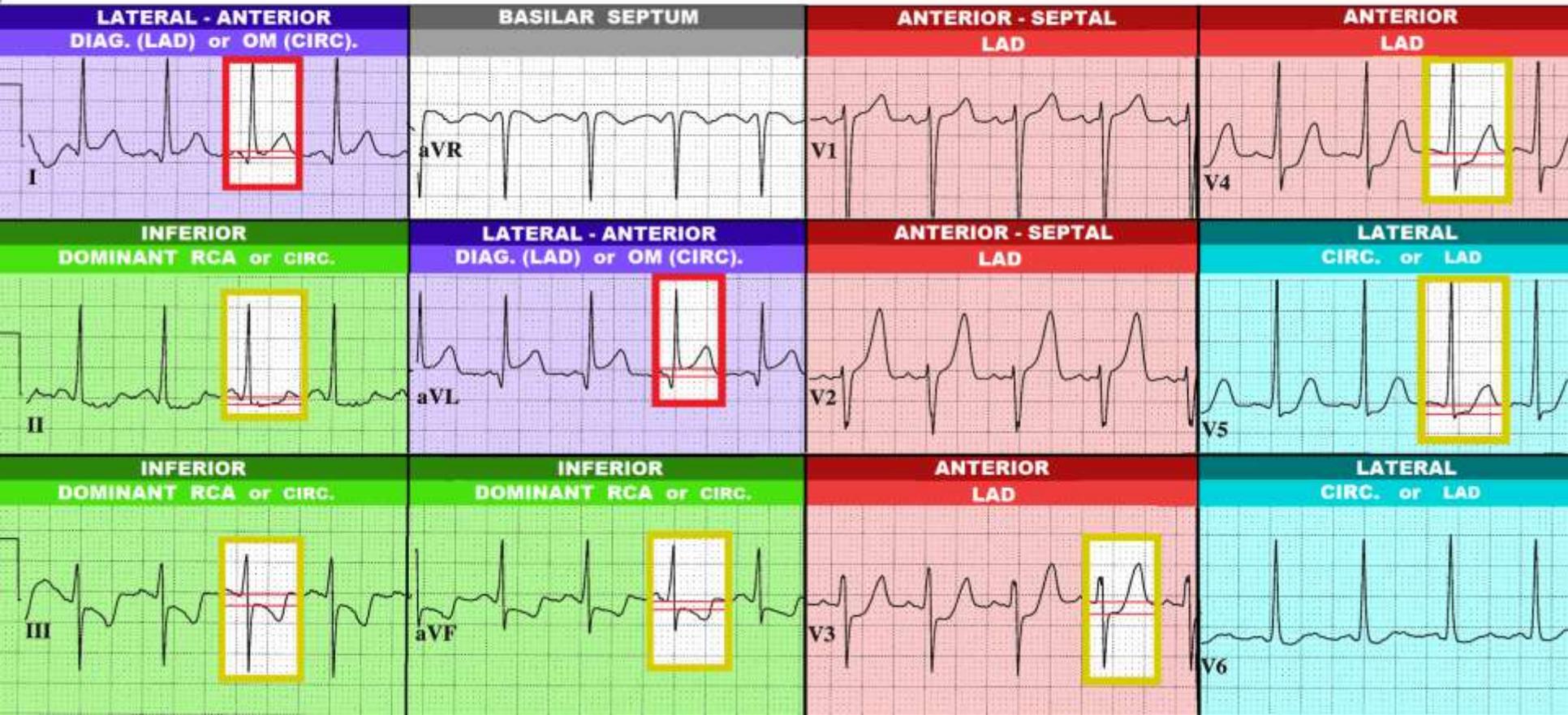
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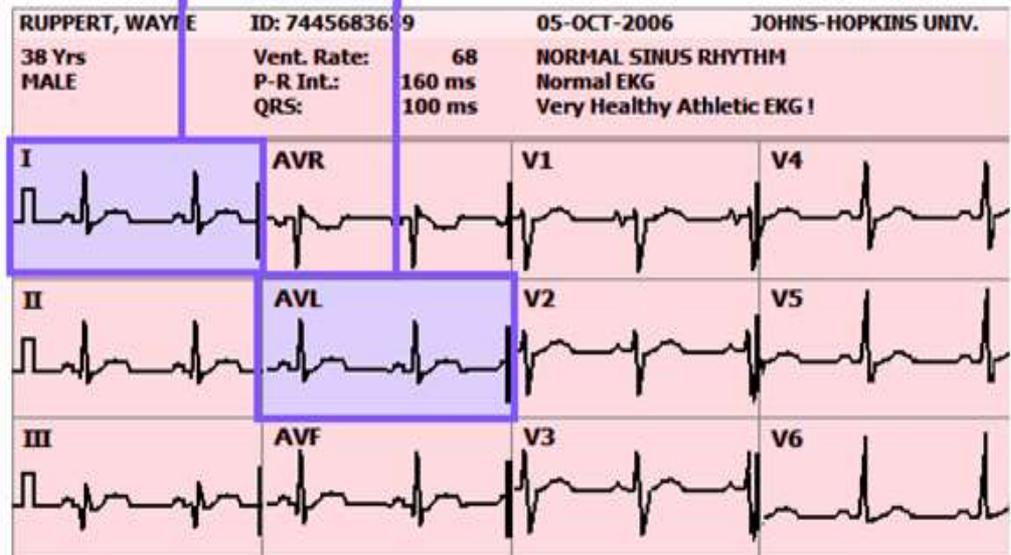
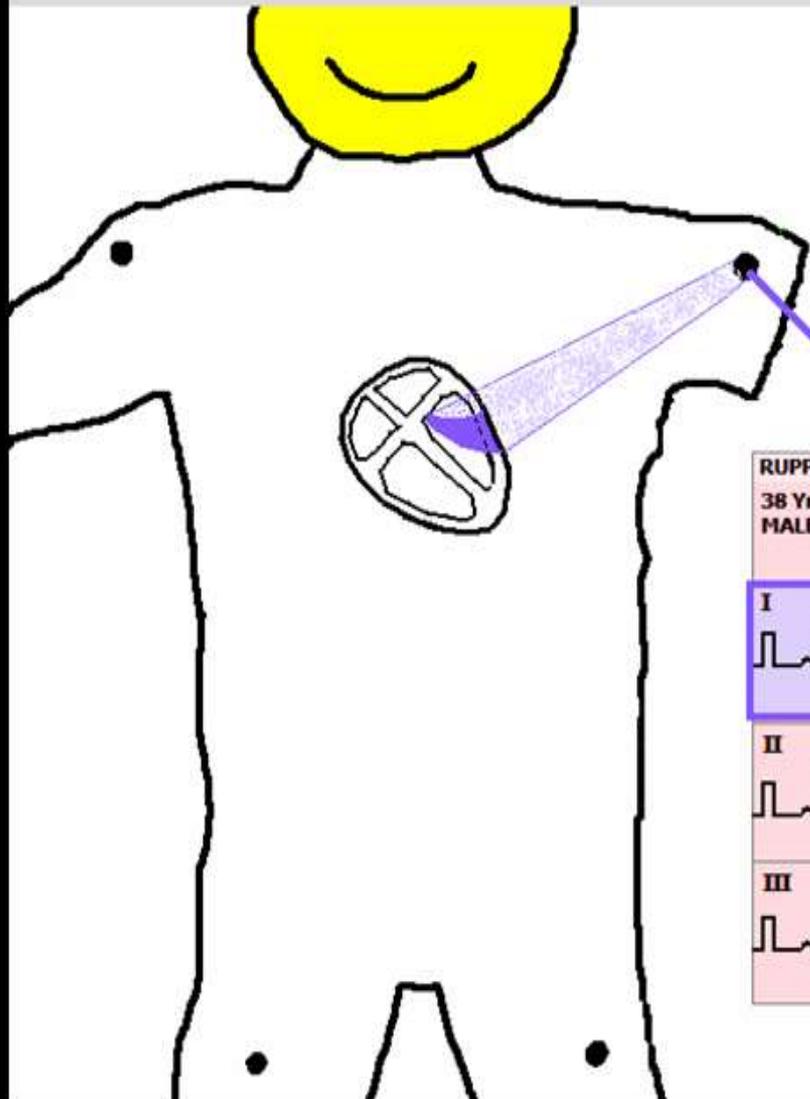
Sinus tachycardia  
 Left ventricular hypertrophy with repolarization abnormality  
 ST elevation consider lateral injury or acute infarct  
 \*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*

**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

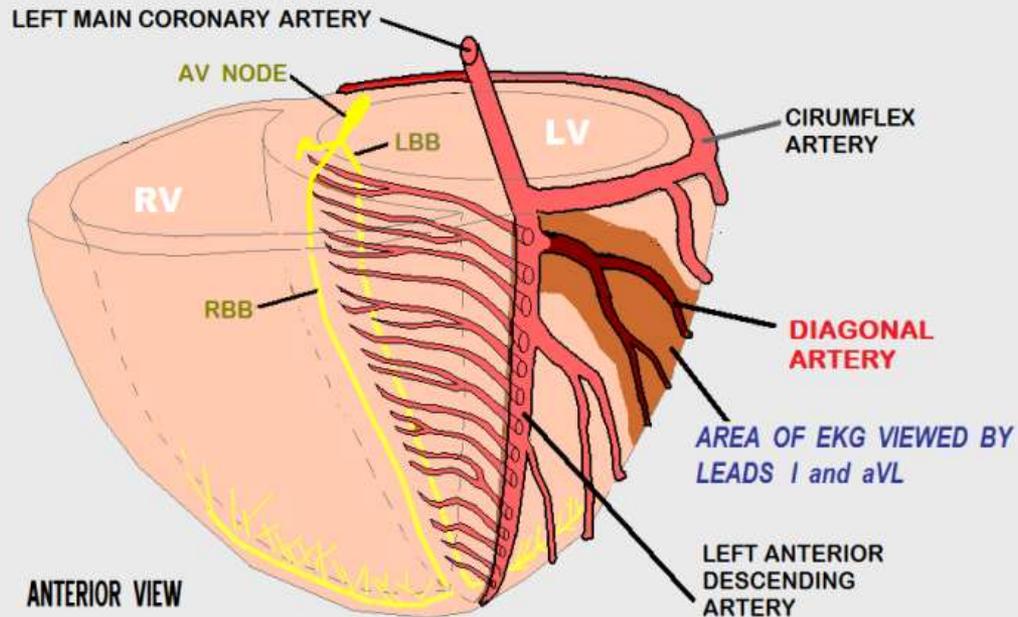
**ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION**



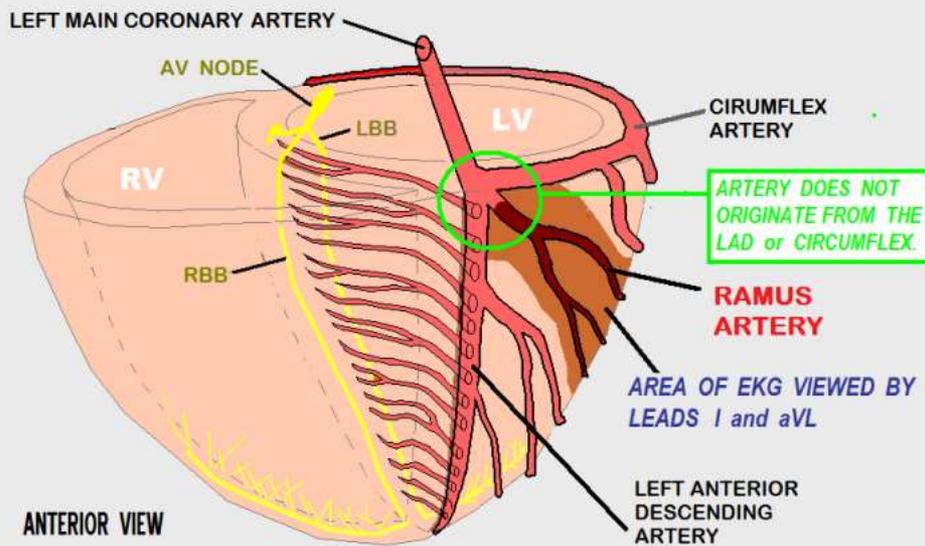
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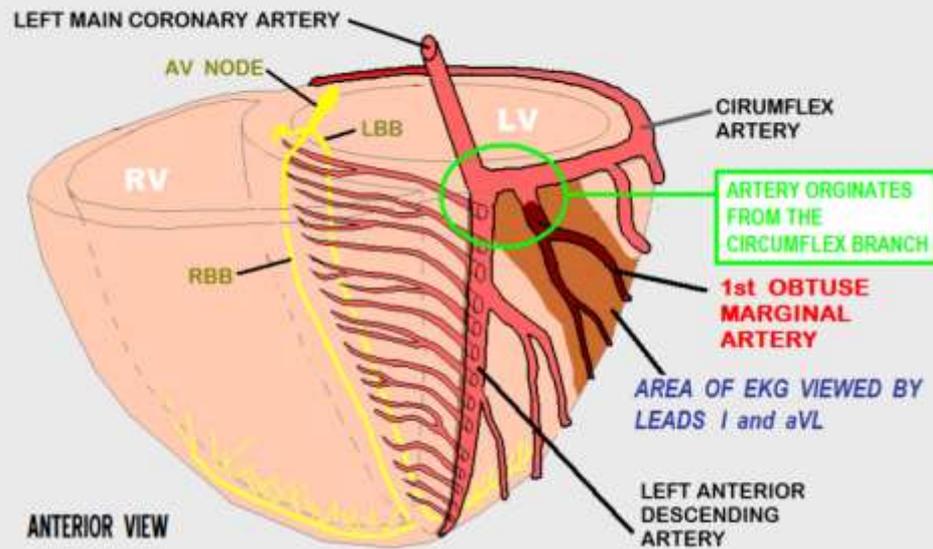
## OCCLUSION of DIAGONAL ARTERY



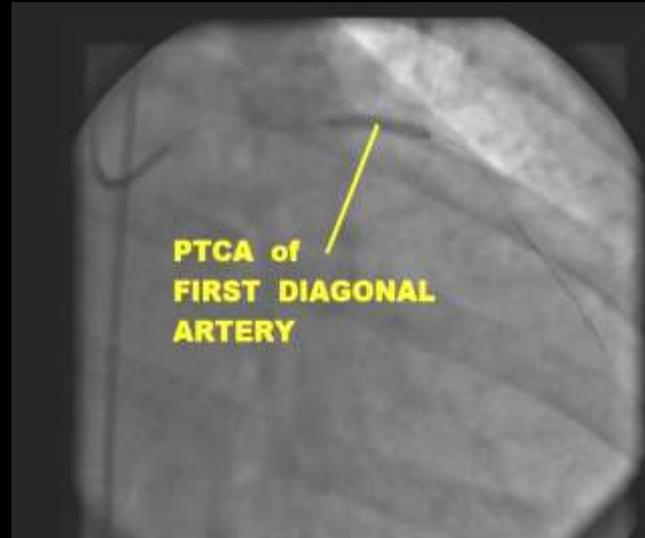
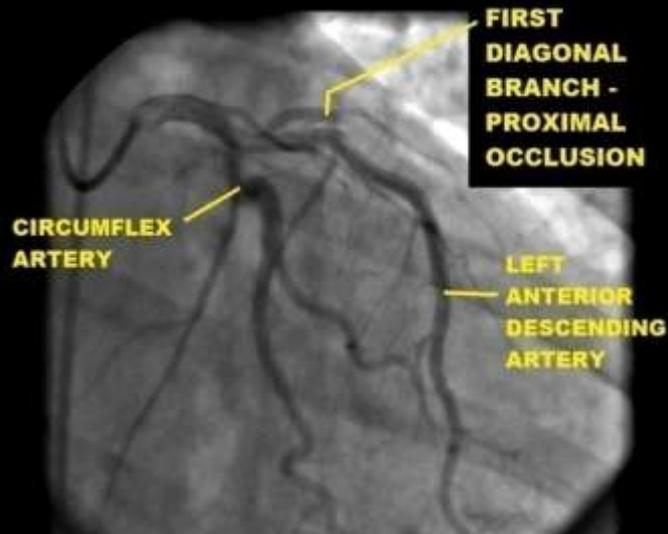
## OCCLUSION of RAMUS ARTERY



## OCCLUSION of OBTUSE MARGINAL ARTERY



**CASE PROGRESSION:** As the patient was being prepared for transport to the Cardiac Cath Lab, she experienced an episode of Ventricular Fibrillation.



11111111  
Born 1/ 1941 77 Years

Acct# [REDACTED] MR# [REDACTED]  
ONIER VILLARREAL  
Adm: [REDACTED] 2018 DOB: [REDACTED]  
SEVEN RIVERS RMC

3/16/2018 1:31:57 PM  
Seven Rivers Reg al

Rate 69 . SINUS RHYTHM .....normal P axis, V-rate 50- 99 Room: er11  
LEFT ATRIAL ABNORMALITY.....P,P' >60mS, <-0.15mV V1  
PR 180 . LEFT ANTERIOR FASCICULAR BLOCK.....axis(240,-40), init forces inf  
QRS 94  
QT 436  
QTc 467

--AXIS--

P 56  
QRS -51  
T -7

- ABNORMAL ECG -

12 Lead; Standard Placement

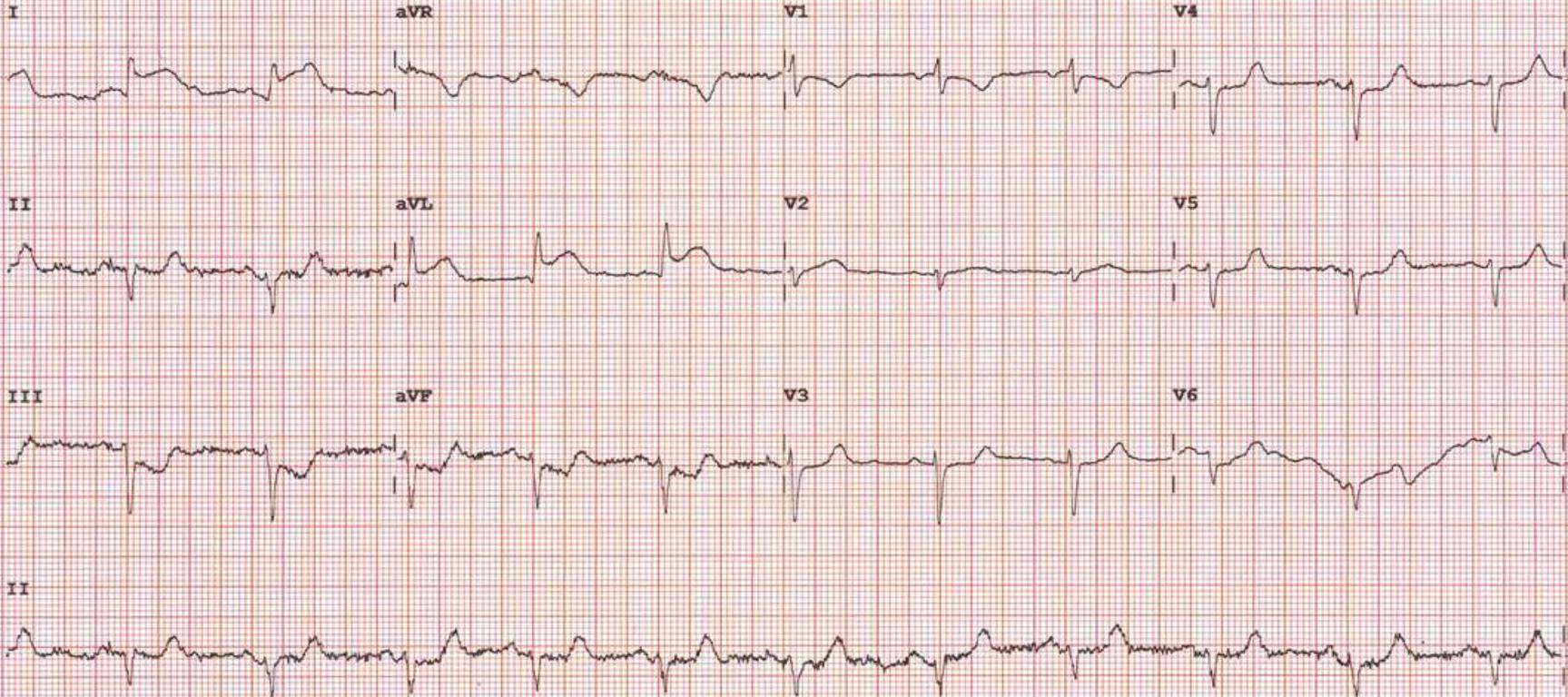
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Physician  
Date  
Time  
STEMI

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YES

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Device: Speed: 25 mm/sec Limb: 10 mm/mV Chest: 10.0 mm/mV

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Rate 69 . SINUS RHYTHM .....normal P axis, V-rate 50- 99 Room: er11  
LEFT ATRIAL ABNORMALITY.....P, P' >60ms, <-0.15mV V1  
PR 180 . LEFT ANTERIOR FASCICULAR BLOCK.....axis(240,-40), init forces inf  
QRSD 94 . LATERAL INJURY, PROBABLE EARLY ACUTE INFARCT.....ST >0.10mV, I aVL V5 V6  
QT 436  
QTc 467

--AXIS--

P 56  
QRS -51  
T -7

12 Lead; Standard Placement

ST Elevation Leads I & AVL

- ABNORMAL ECG -

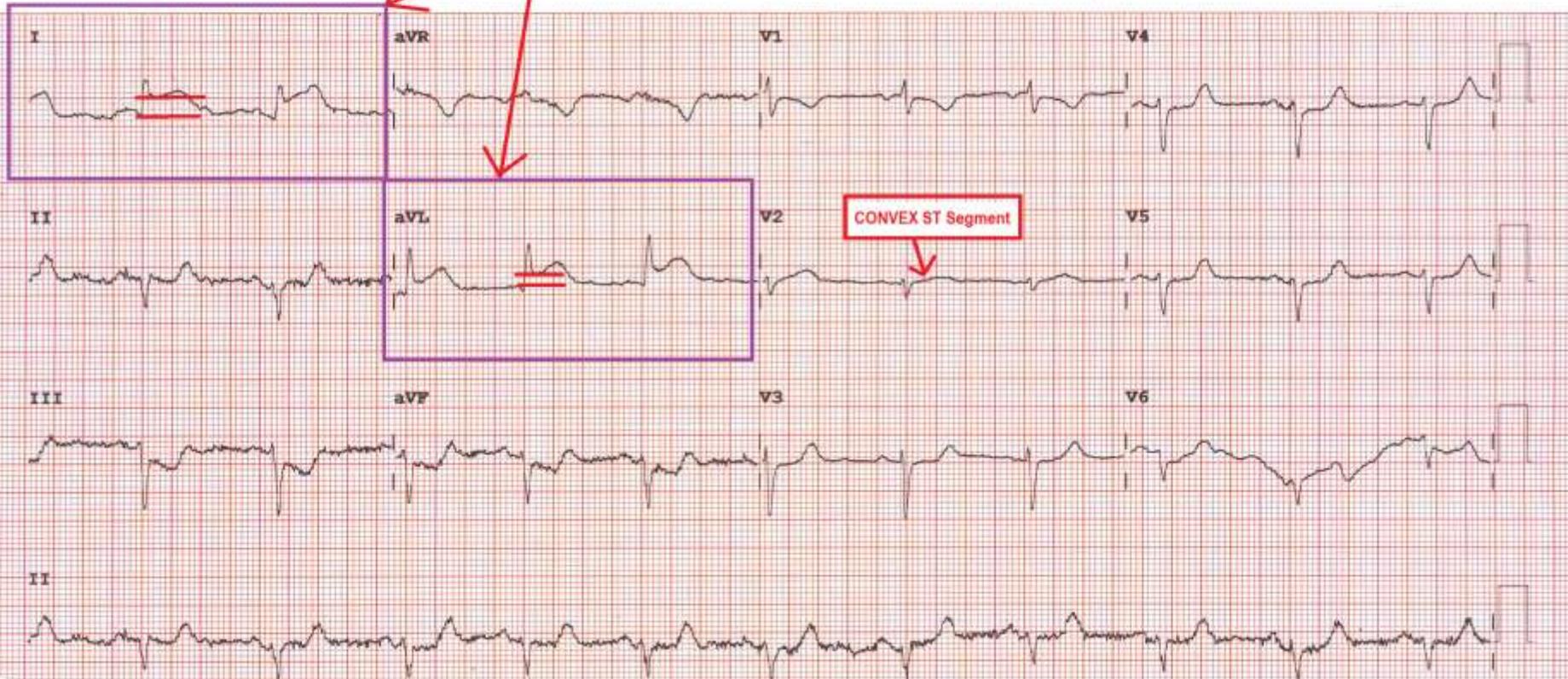
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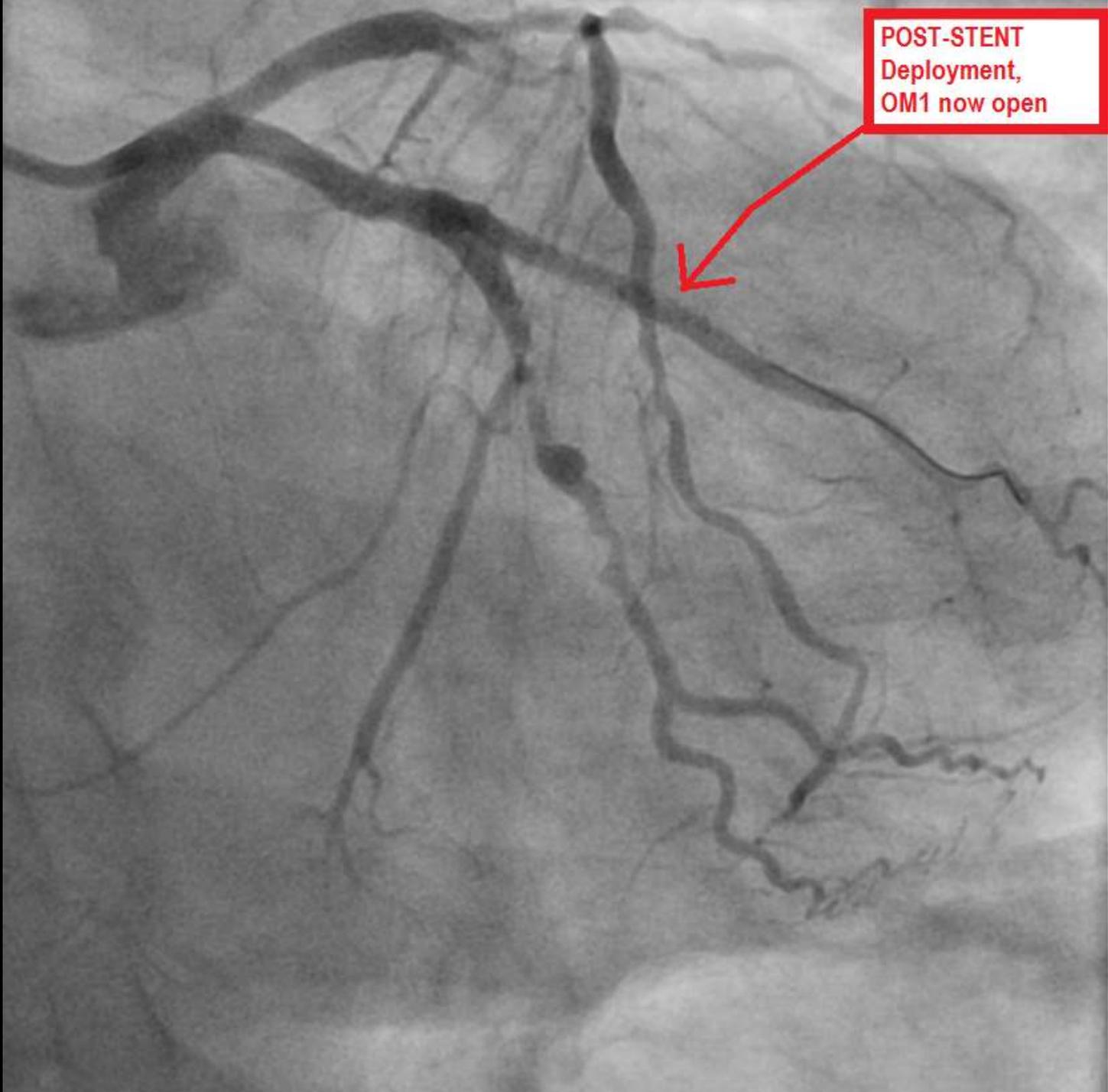
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OM 1 100%  
occluded proximally





POST-STENT  
Deployment,  
OM1 now open



## CASE STUDY SUMMARY

ST ELEVATION:

**I, aVL**

ST DEPRESSION:

**II, III, aVF, V3 - V5**

SUSPECTED DIAGNOSIS:

**ACUTE LATERAL WALL M.I.**

SUSPECTED "CULPRIT ARTERY" (if applicable):

USUALLY ONE OF THE SMALLER SIDE-BRANCH ARTERIES:

1. **DIAGONAL ARTERY.** (This is a side-branch artery off of the **LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING (LAD)** artery.)
2. **OBTUSE MARGINAL ARTERY.** (This is a side-branch artery off of the **CIRCUMFLEX** artery)
3. **RAMUS ARTERY.**

IMMEDIATE CONCERNS FOR ALL STEMI PATIENTS:

- **BE PREPARED TO MANAGE SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST ( PRIMARY V-FIB / V-TACH, BRADYCARDIAS / HEART BLOCKS )**
- **STAT REPERFUSION THERAPY: THROMBOLYTICS vs. CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION and PCI**
- **CONSIDER NEEDS FOR ANTI-PLATELET and ANTI-COAGULATION THERAPY**

CRITICAL STRUCTURES COMPROMISED:



**15-30% of the LV  
MUSCLE MASS**

POTENTIAL COMPLICATIONS:

**POSSIBLE MODERATE  
LV PUMP FAILURE**

POSSIBLE CRITICAL INTERVENTIONS:

**INOTROPIC AGENTS  
ET INTUBATION  
I.A.B.P. INSERTION**

## CASE STUDY 3: STEMI

### CHIEF COMPLAINT and SIGNIFICANT HISTORY:

29 y/o male presents to the ER c/o "HEAVY CHEST PRESSURE" x 30 minutes. The patient states he was playing football with friends after eating a large meal. Pt. also c/o nausea. Denies DIB.

### RISK FACTOR PROFILE:

-  FAMILY HISTORY - father died of MI age 46
-  CURRENT CIGARETTE SMOKER
-  "MILD" HYPERTENSION - untreated
- CHOLESTEROL - unknown - "never had it checked."

**PHYSICAL EXAM:** Patient alert, oriented X 4, skin cool, dry, pale. Patient restless. No JVD, Lungs clear bilaterally. Heart sounds normal S1, S2. No peripheral edema.

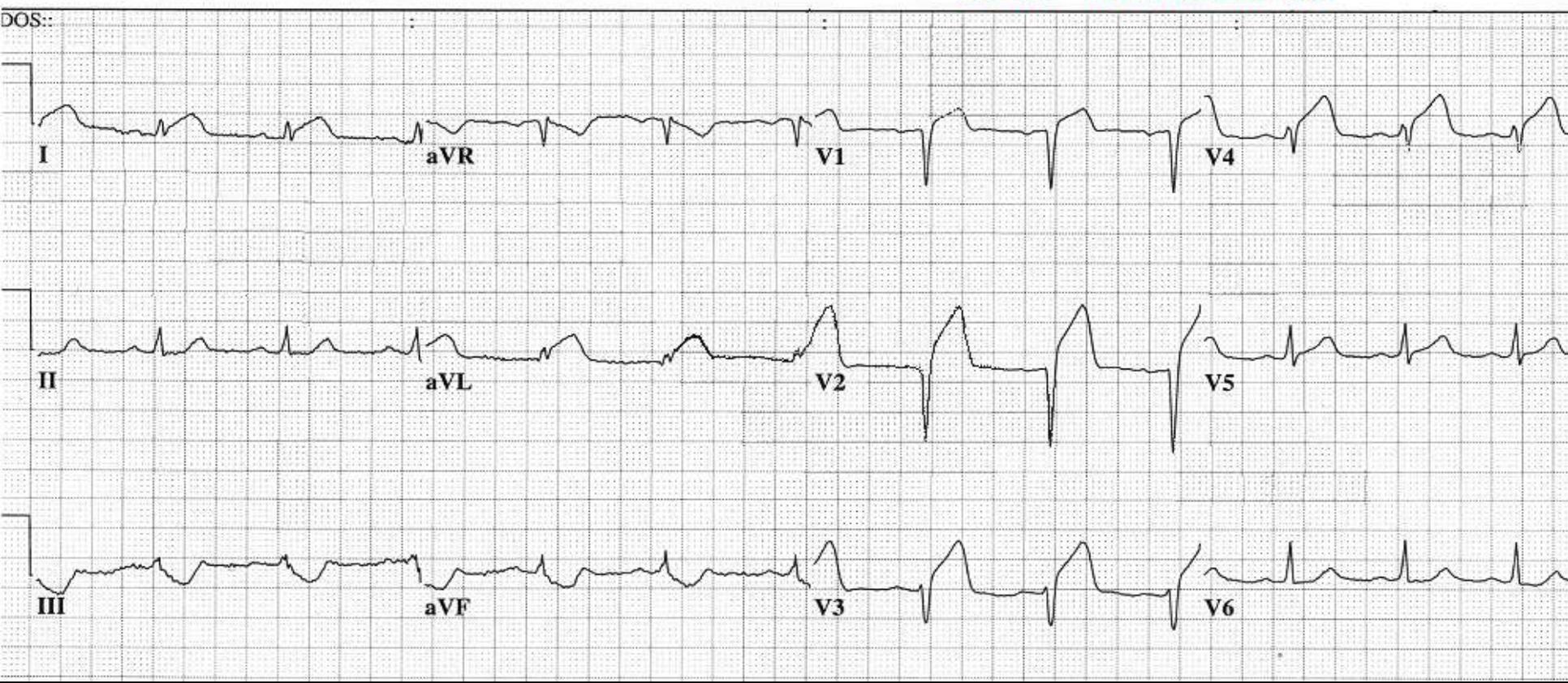
**VITAL SIGNS:** BP: 104/78, P: 76, R: 20, SAO2: 96%

**LABS:** INITIAL CARDIAC MARKERS - NEGATIVE

29 yr  
Male      Caucasian  
Loc:3    Option:20

Vent. rate            75    BPM  
PR interval            176    ms  
QRS duration          90    ms  
QT/QTc                362/404    ms  
P-R-T axes            70 50 -11    14:07 Hours

**EVALUATE the EKG for signs of ACS:**  
- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION  
- HYPERACUTE T WAVES  
- CONVEX / FLAT ST SEGMENTS  
- OTHER ST - T WAVE ABNORMALITIES



29 yr  
Male

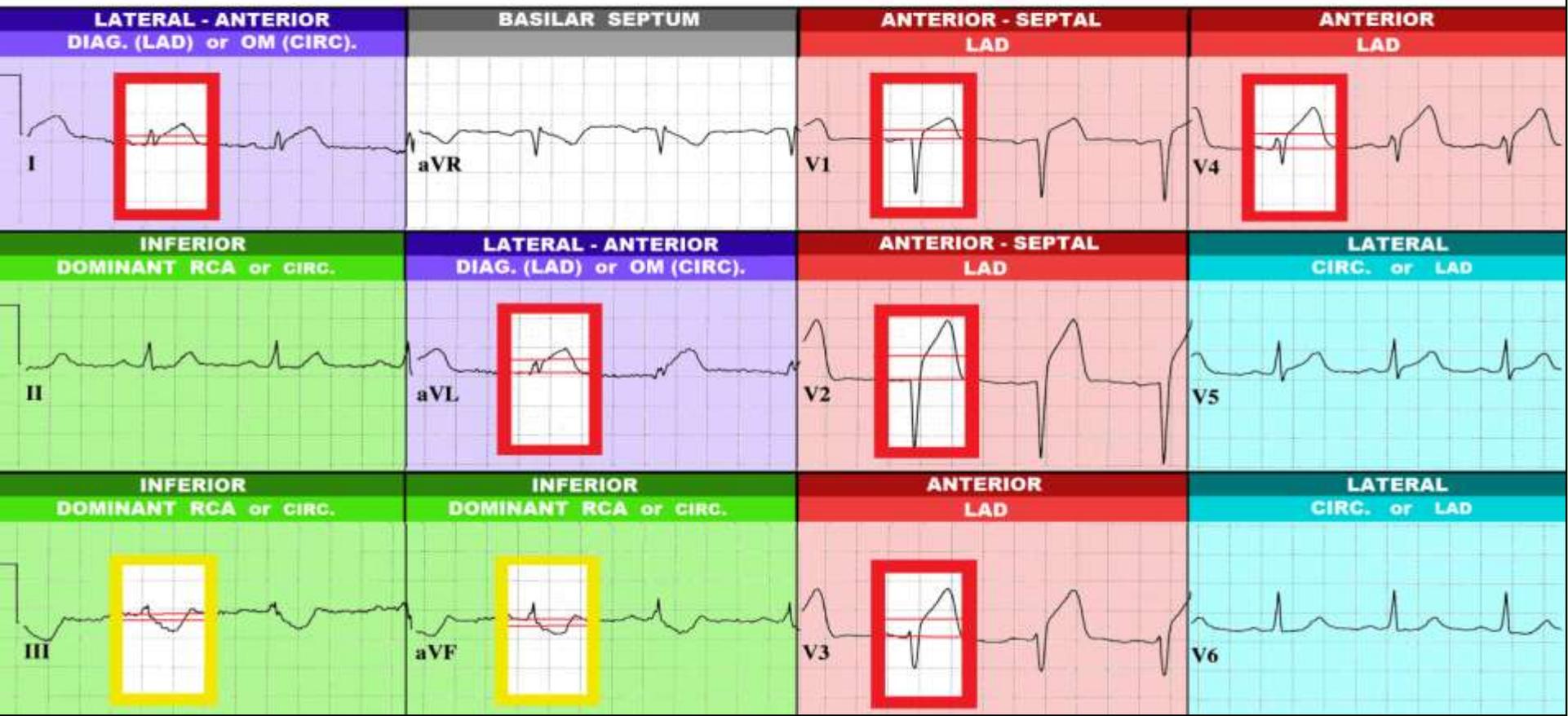
Caucasian

Vent. rate	75	BPM
PR interval	176	ms
QRS duration	90	ms
QT/QTc	362/404	ms
P-R-T axes	70 50	-11

Normal sinus rhythm  
 Septal infarct, possibly acute  
 Anterolateral injury pattern  
 \*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*  
 Abnormal ECG

**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

**ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION**



The difference between the current and previous ANTERIOR WALL STEMI case studies is that in THIS case study, RECIPROCAL ST DEPRESSION is present in the Inferior Leads, II, III and AVF.

In the PREVIOUS case study, there was NO RECIPROCAL ST DEPRESSION.

Here is the reason . . . . .

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**In general terms, when the lesion is located more proximally, the zone of infarction is more extensive, and the complications (pump failure, cardiogenic shock) are often more profound.**

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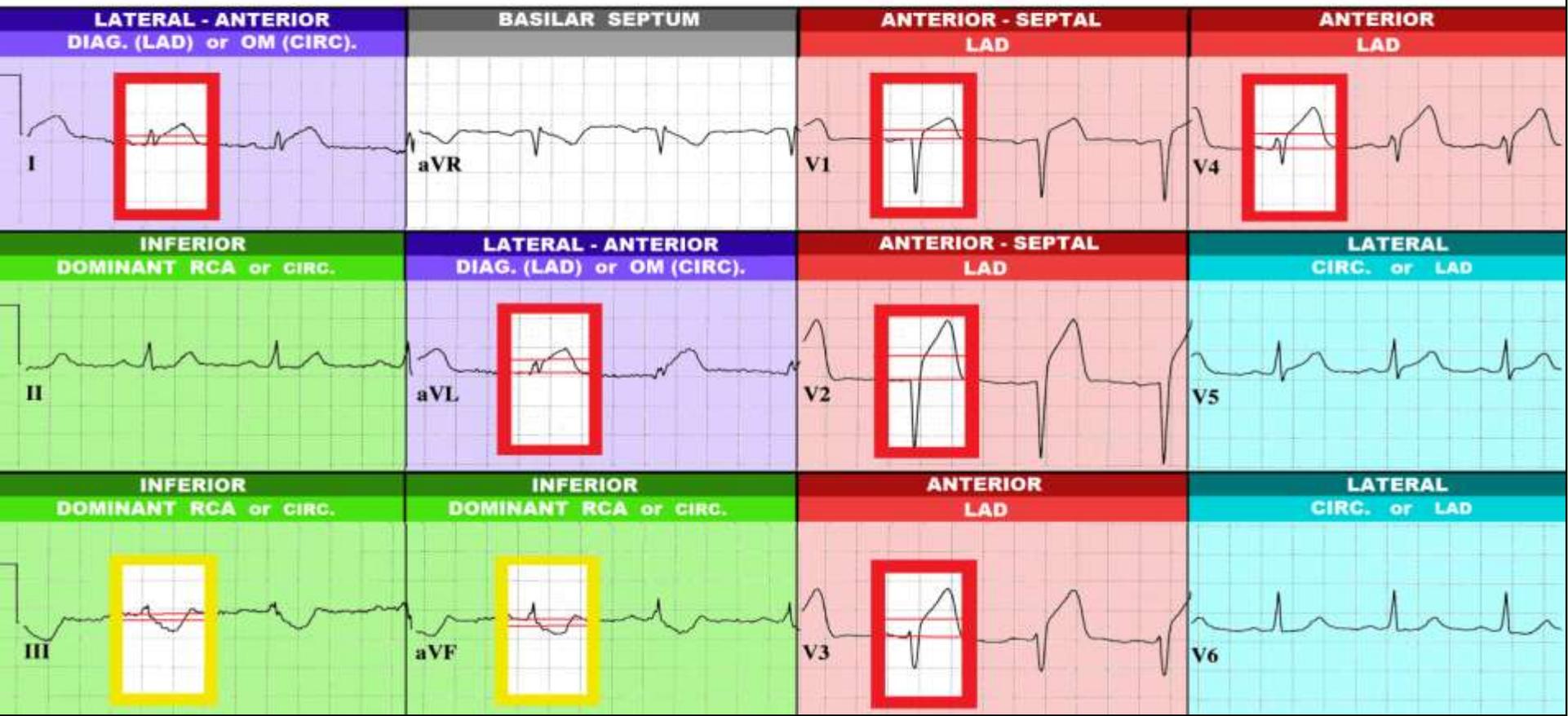
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**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

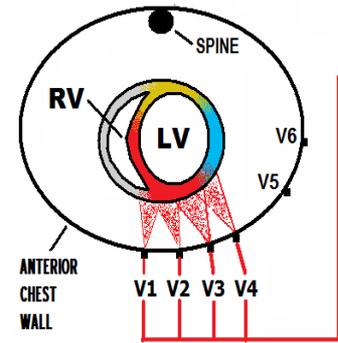
**ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION**



- **Reciprocal ST Depression is NOW PRESENT**
- **Additional ST Elevation is present in Leads I, AVL**

# V1 - V4 VIEW THE ANTERIOR-SEPTAL WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE

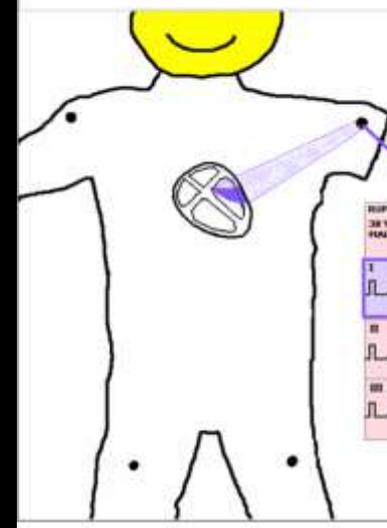
V1, V2 - ANTERIOR / SEPTAL  
V3, V4 - ANTERIOR



RUPPERT, WAYNE ID: 7445683659		05-OCT-2006	JOHNS-HOPKINS UNIV.
38 Yrs MALE	Vent. Rate: 68 P-R Int.: 160 ms QRS: 100 ms	NORMAL SINUS RHYTHM Normal EKG Very Healthy Athletic EKG!	
I	AVR	V1	V4
II	AVL	V2	V5
III	AVF	V3	V6

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# Leads I & AVL view the ANTERIOR-LATERAL JUNCTION



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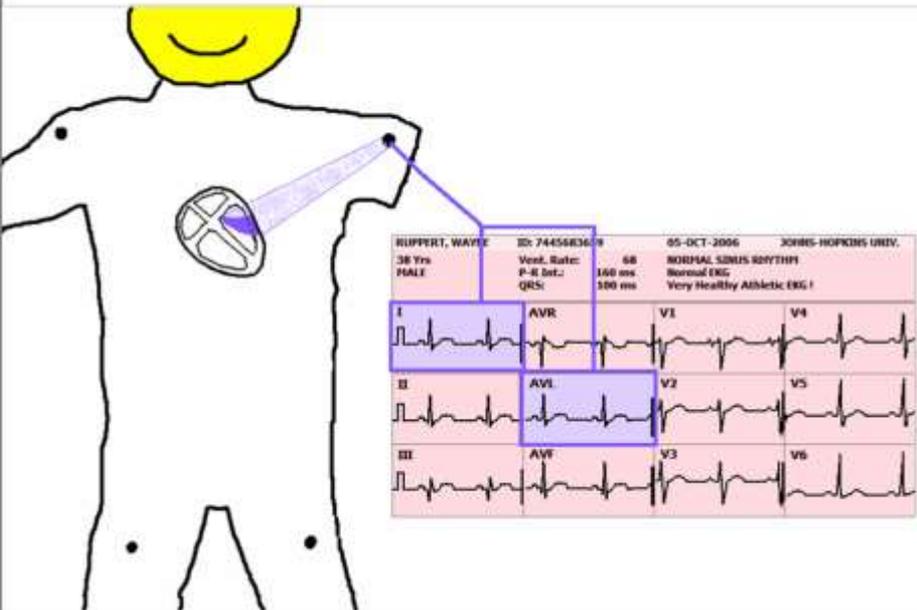
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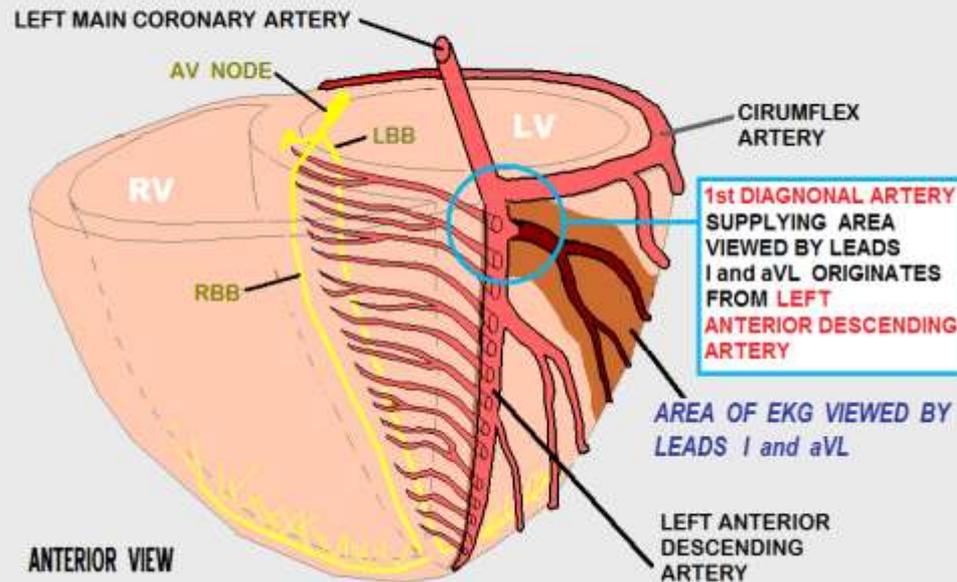
<b>LATERAL - ANTERIOR</b> DIAG. (LAD) or OM (CIRC).	<b>BASILAR SEPTUM</b>	<b>ANTERIOR - SEPTAL</b> LAD	<b>ANTERIOR</b> LAD
I	aVR	V1	V4
<b>INFERIOR</b> DOMINANT RCA or CIRC.	<b>LATERAL - ANTERIOR</b> DIAG. (LAD) or OM (CIRC).	<b>ANTERIOR - SEPTAL</b> LAD	<b>LATERAL</b> CIRC. or LAD
II	aVL	V2	V5
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III	aVF	V3	V6

ST SEGMENT ELEVATION (Red boxes)  
ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION (Yellow boxes)

## Leads I & aVL view the ANTERIOR-LATERAL JUNCTION

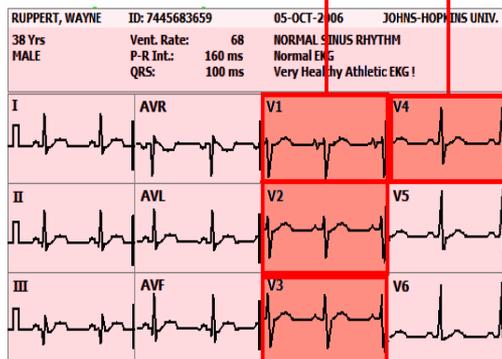
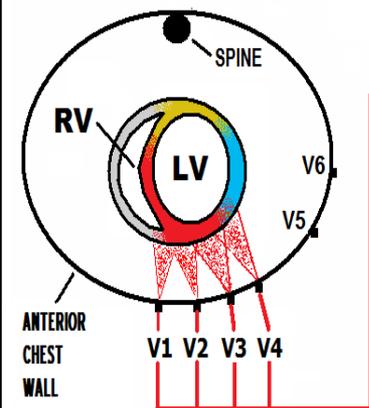


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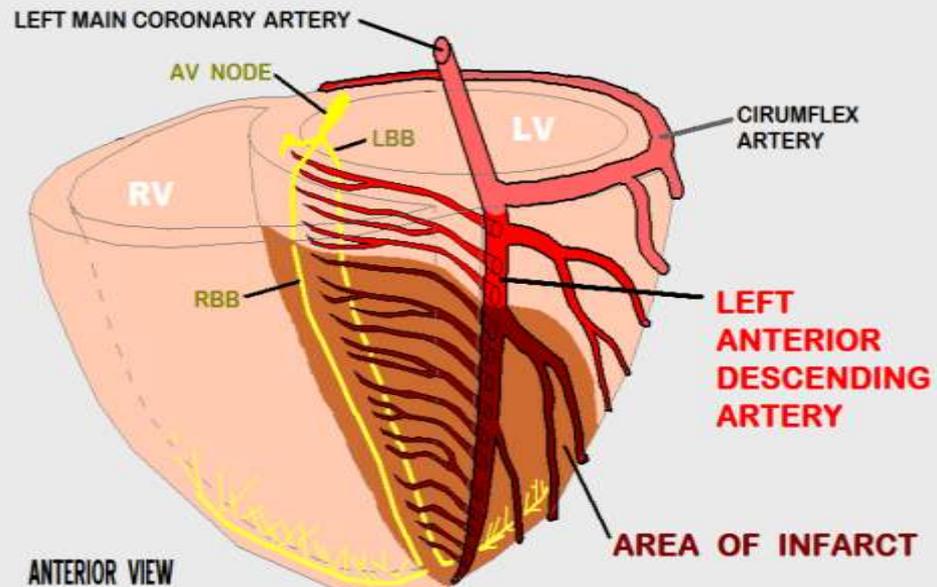


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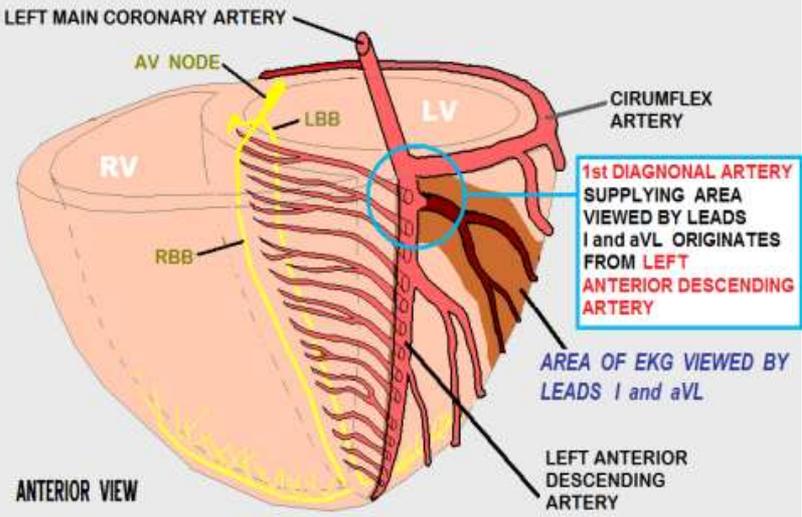
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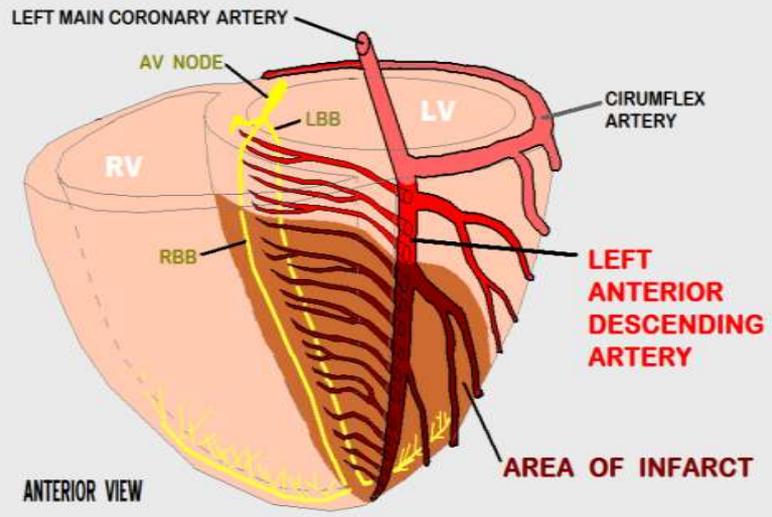


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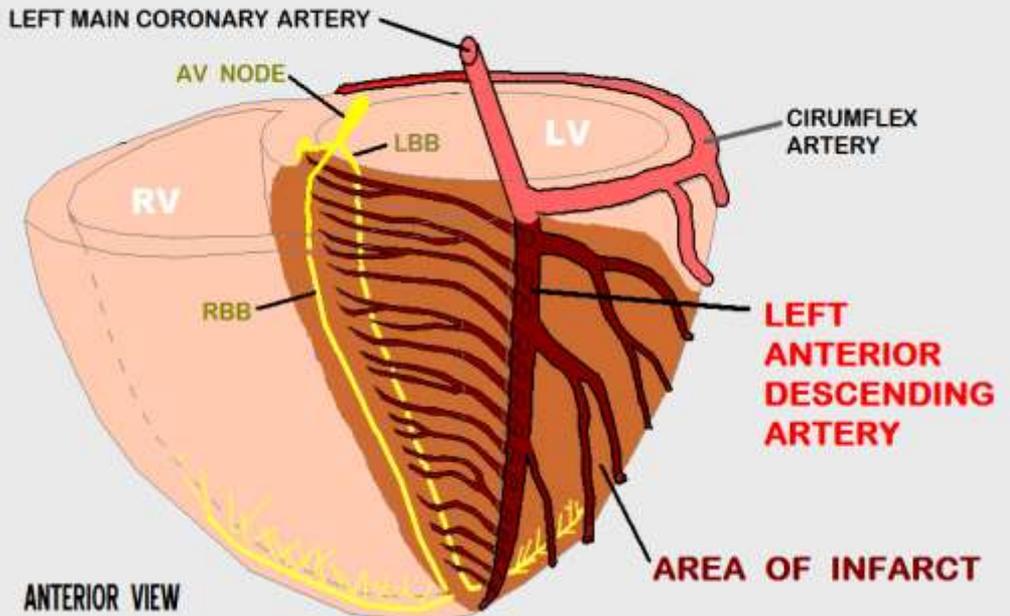
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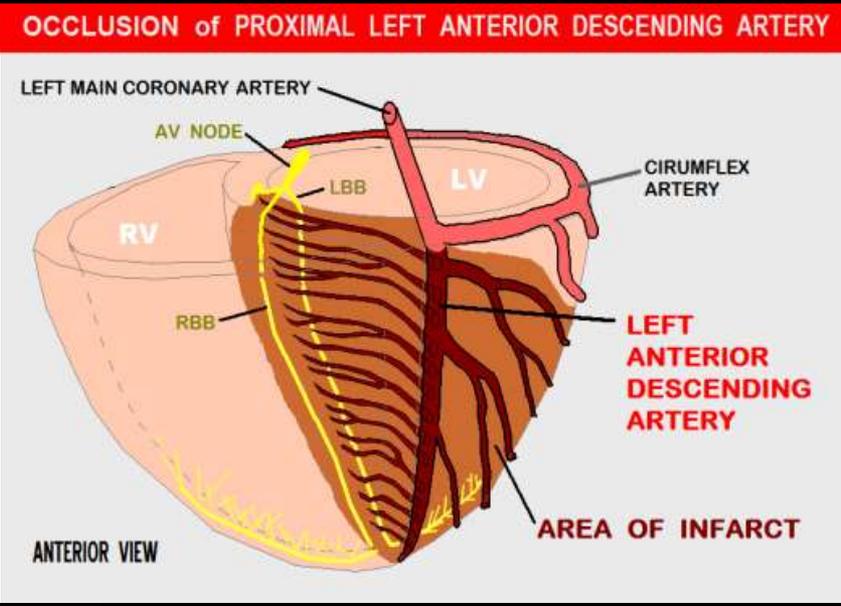
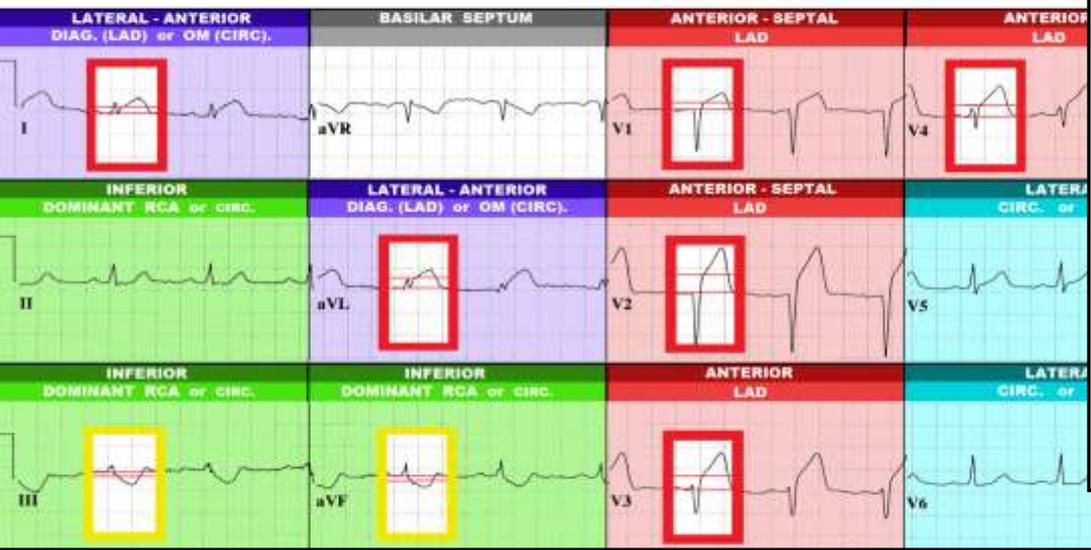
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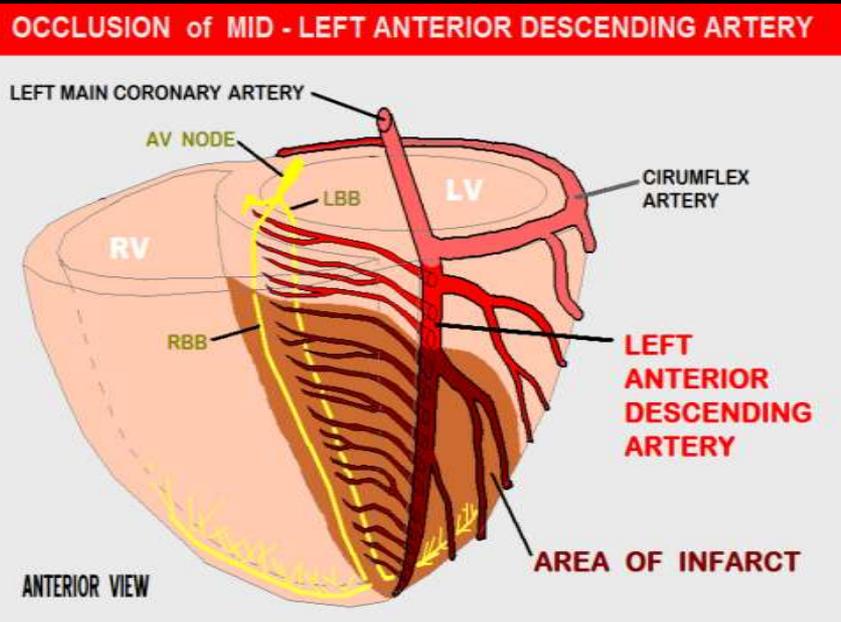
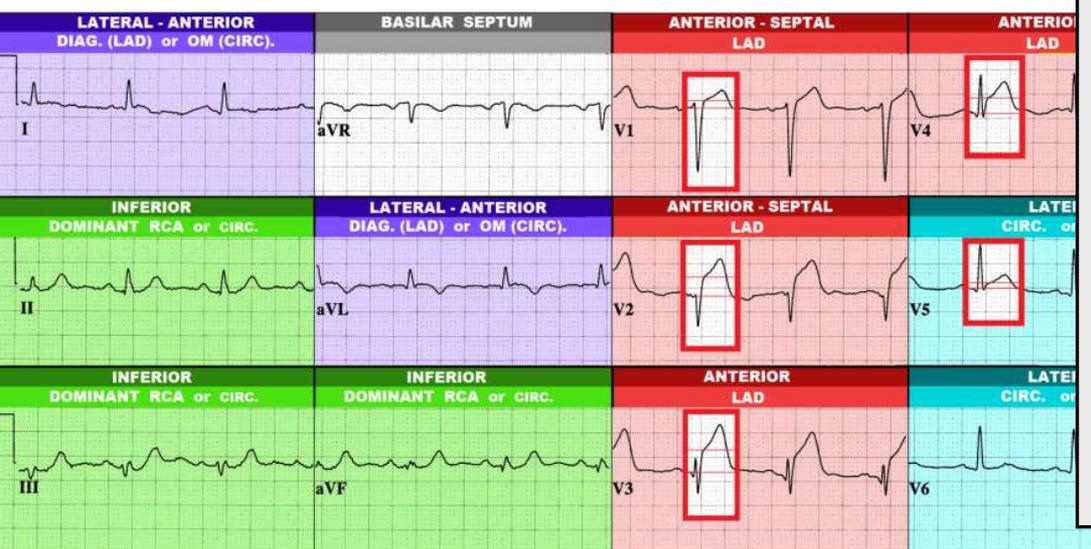
**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

**ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION**



72 yr Male Caucasian Vent. rate 75 BPM PR interval 162 ms QRS duration 98 ms QT/QTc 382/426 ms P-R-T axes 72 13 83 Normal sinus rhythm Anteroseptal infarct, possibly acute \*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\* Abnormal ECG

**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**



# OCCLUSION of PROXIMAL LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY

LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY

AV NODE

LBB

LV

CIRUMFLEX ARTERY

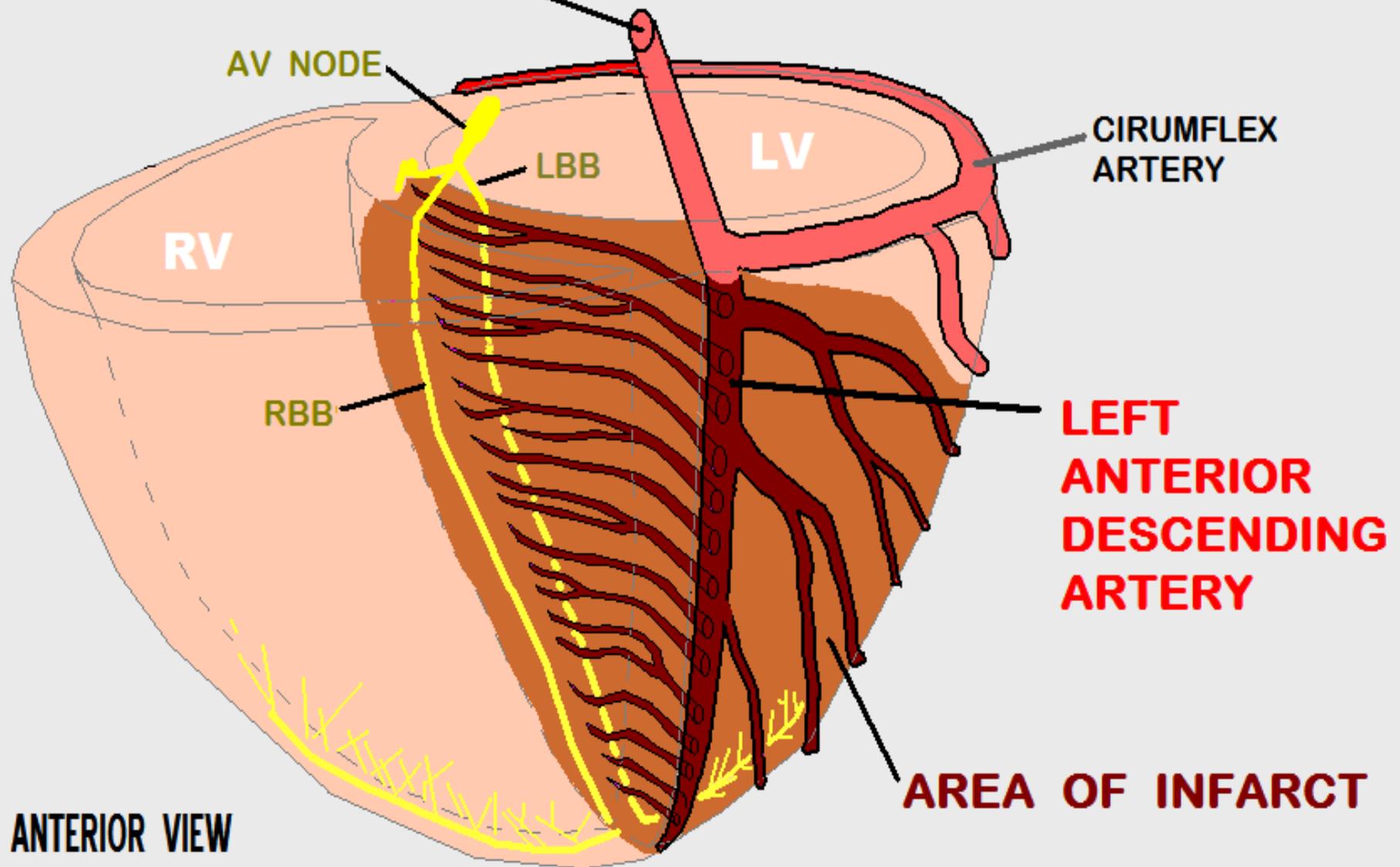
RV

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**LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY**

**AREA OF INFARCT**

ANTERIOR VIEW

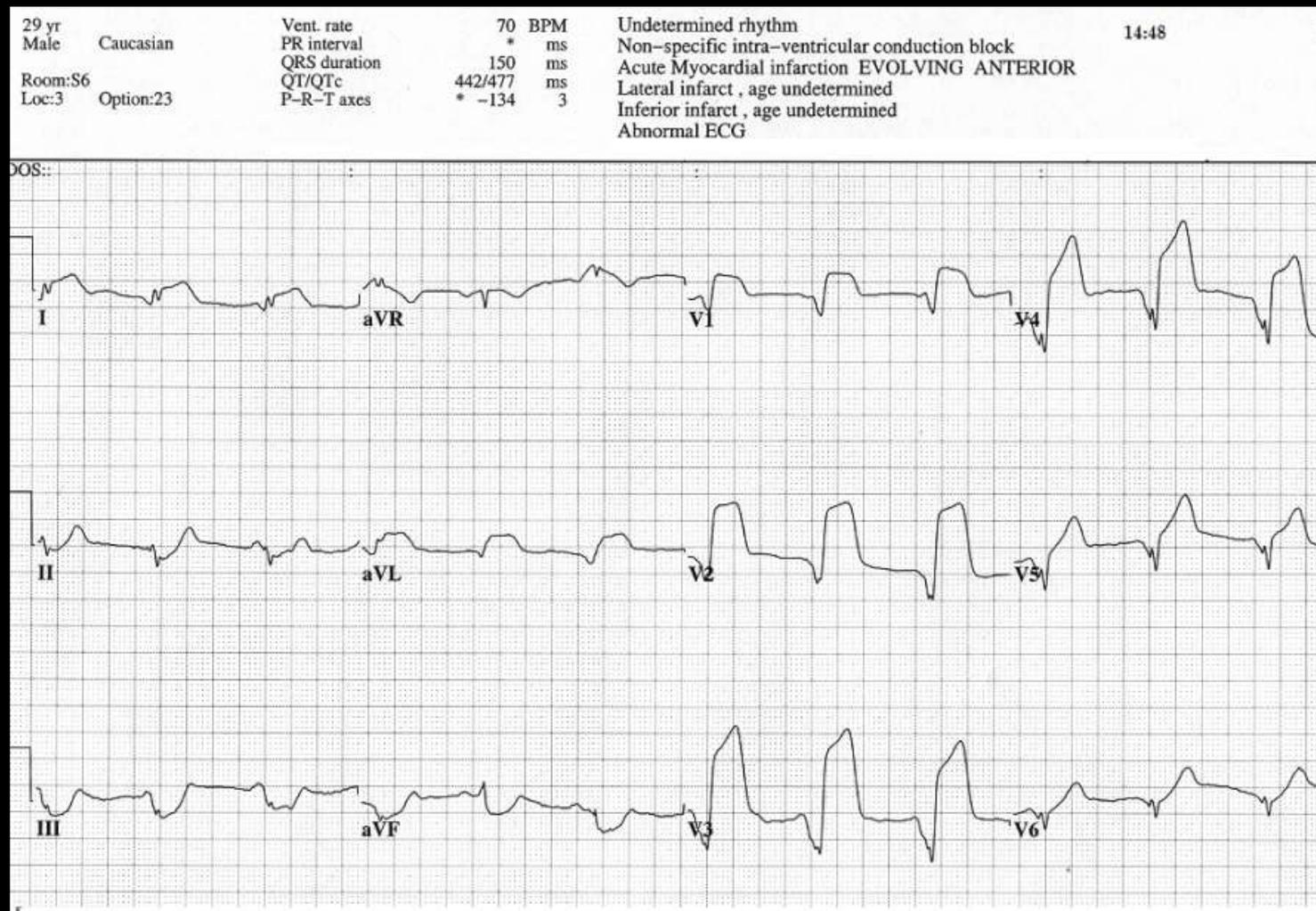


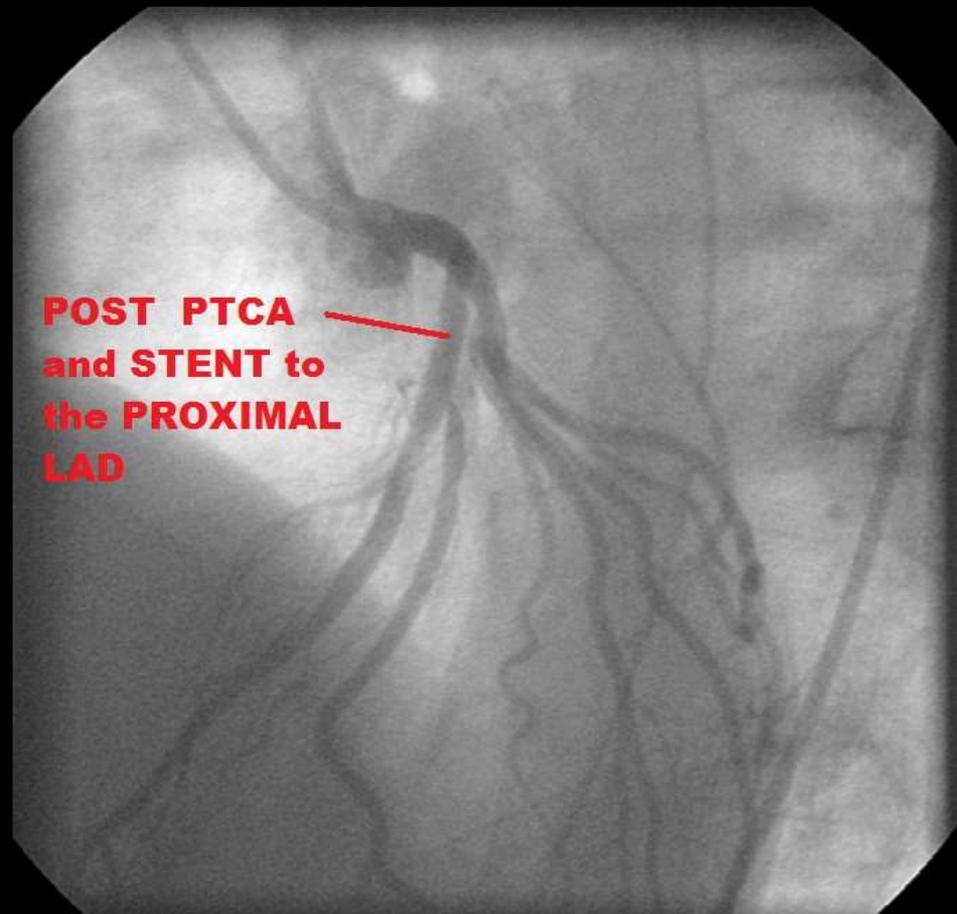
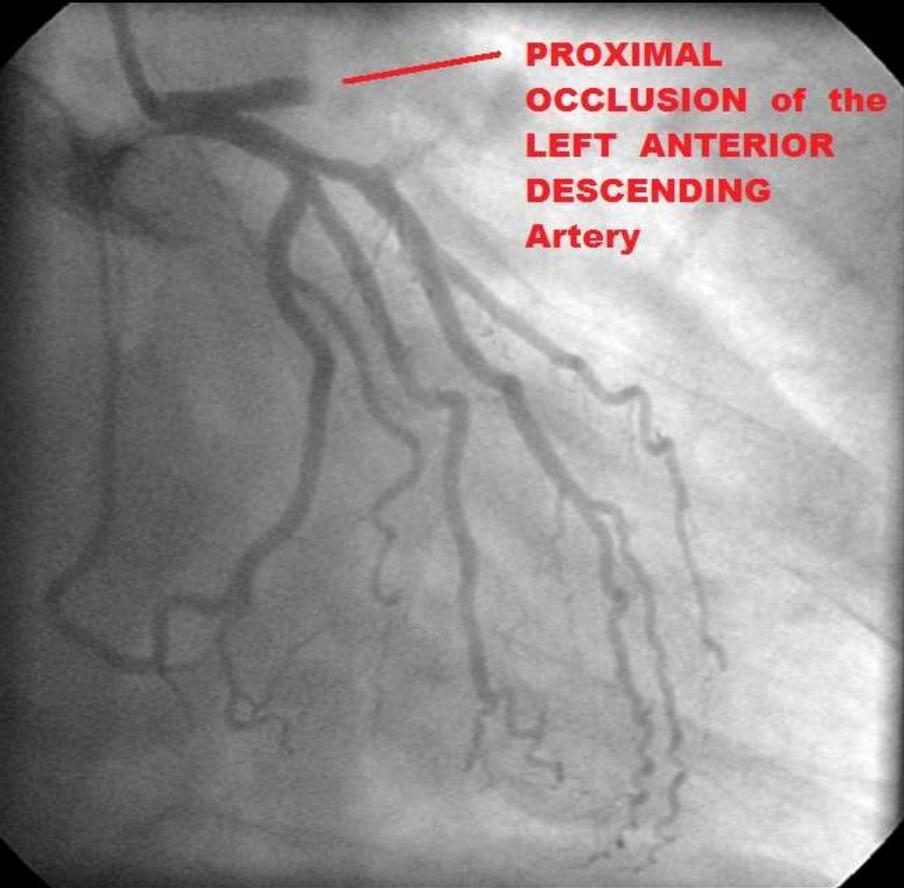
# **ANTICIPATED COMPLICATIONS of ANTERIOR-SEPTAL WALL STEMI & POSSIBLE INDICATED INTERVENTIONS:**

<b>- CARDIAC ARREST</b>	<b>BCLS / ACLS</b>
<b>- CARDIAC DYSRHYTHMIAS (VT / VF)</b>	<b>ACLS (antiarrhythmics)</b>
<b>- PUMP FAILURE with CARDIOGENIC SHOCK</b>	<b>INOTROPE THERAPY: -DOPAMINE / DOBUTAMINE / LEVOPHED - INTRA-AORTIC BALLOON PUMP (use caution with fluid challenges due to PULMONARY EDEMA)</b>
<b>- PULMONARY EDEMA</b>	<b>- CPAP - ET INTUBATION (use caution with diuretics due to pump failure and hypotension)</b>
<b>- 3rd DEGREE HEART BLOCK - NOT RESPONSIVE TO ATROPINE</b>	<b>TRANSCUTANEOUS or TRANSVENOUS PACING</b>

**WHILE AWAITING THE CATH TEAM, THE PATIENT BEGAN VOMITING. SKIN BECAME ASHEN & DIAPHORETIC. REPEAT BP = 50/30.**

**-WHAT THERAPEUTIC INTERVENTIONS SHOULD BE IMPLEMENTED AT THIS POINT ?**





## **CASE STUDY 4: CRITICAL DECISIONS SCENARIO**

As per current AHA recommendations, your hospital's policy is to send every STEMI patient to the Cardiac Catheterization Lab for emergency PCI.

You are the ranking medical officer on duty in the ED when two acute STEMI patients arrive, ten minutes apart. The Cath Lab has one lab open, and can take ONE patient immediately. Both patients duration of symptoms and state of hemodynamic stability are similar.

**PATIENT A:**

44 y/o MALE, CHEST PAIN x 1 HOUR,  
BP: 78/46, P: 70, R: 28. CARDIAC MARKERS: NEGATIVE

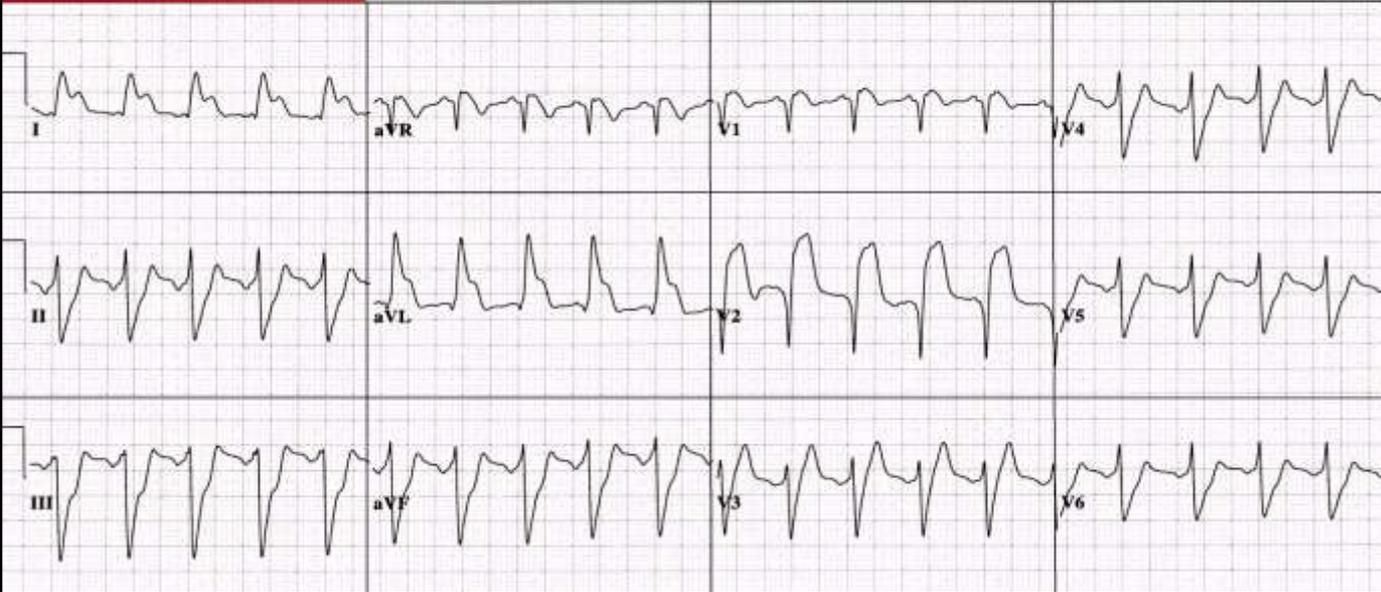


WHO SHOULD GO TO THE CATH LAB FIRST ?

And . . . .

**PATIENT B:**

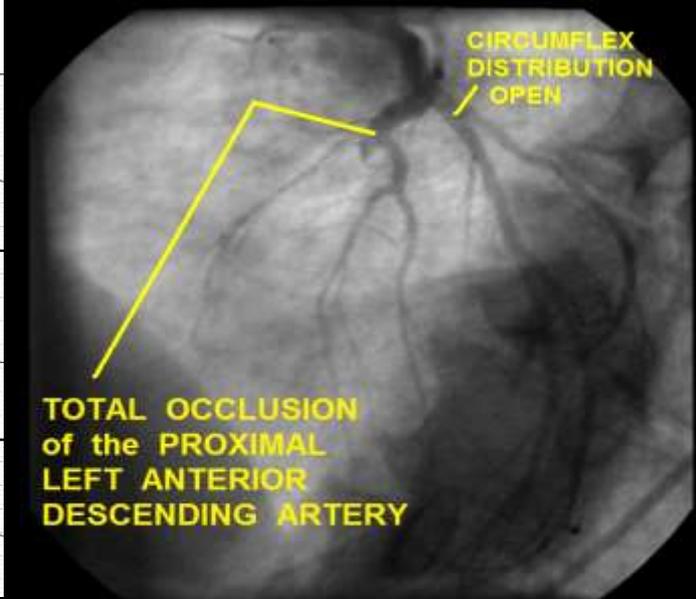
36 y/o MALE, CHEST PAIN x 1 HOUR,  
BP: 80/48, P: 120, R: 28 CARDIAC MARKERS: NEGATIVE



WHAT WOULD YOU DO WITH THE PATIENT WHO DID NOT GO TO THE CATH LAB ?

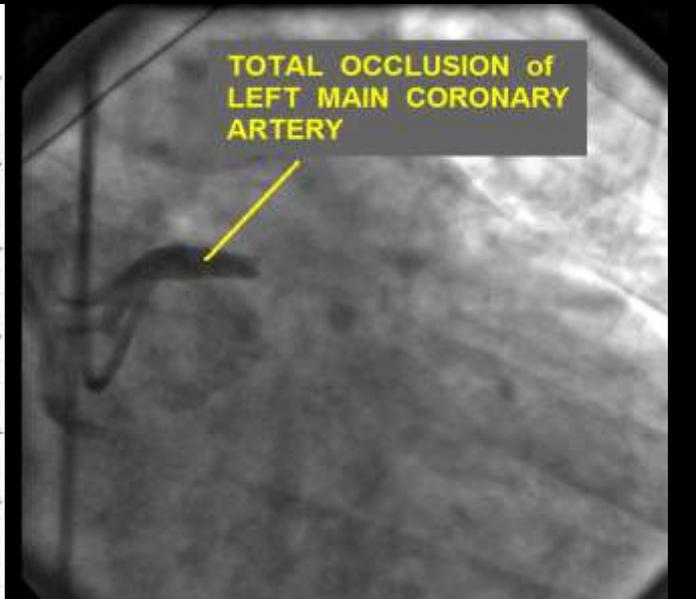
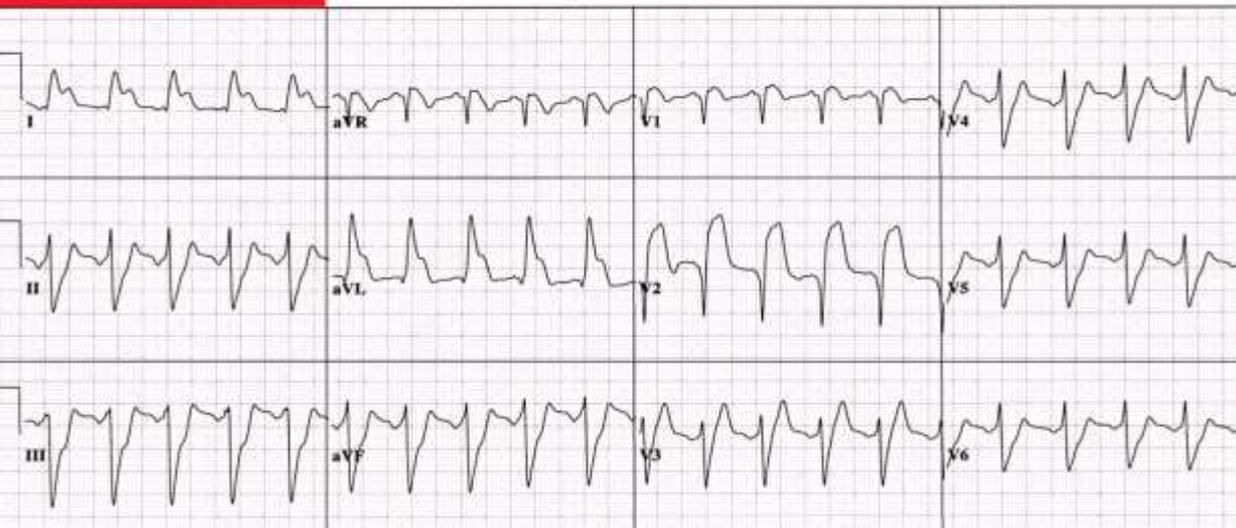
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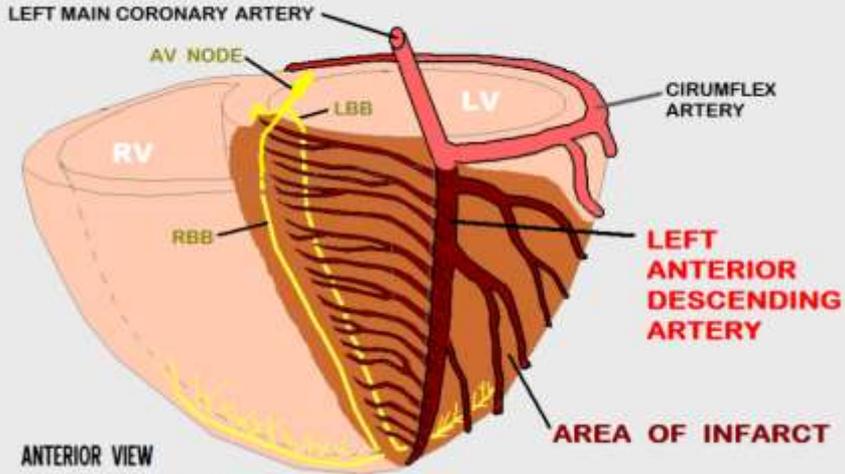
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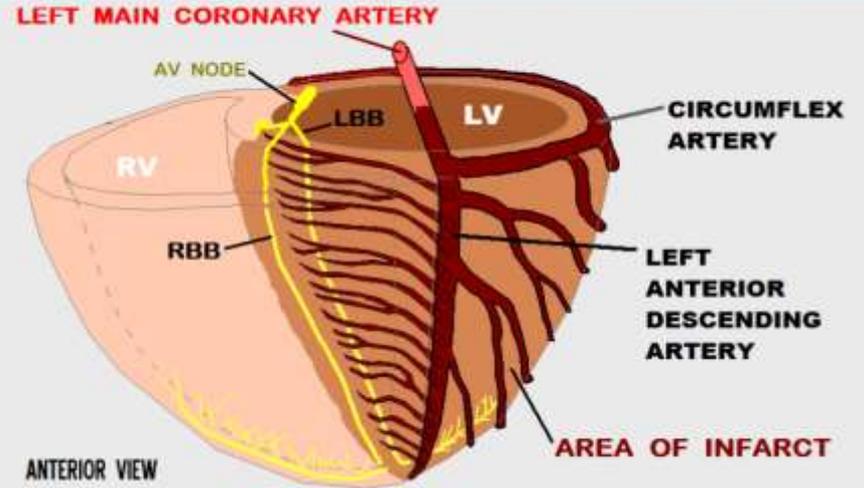
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## OCCLUSION of PROXIMAL LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY



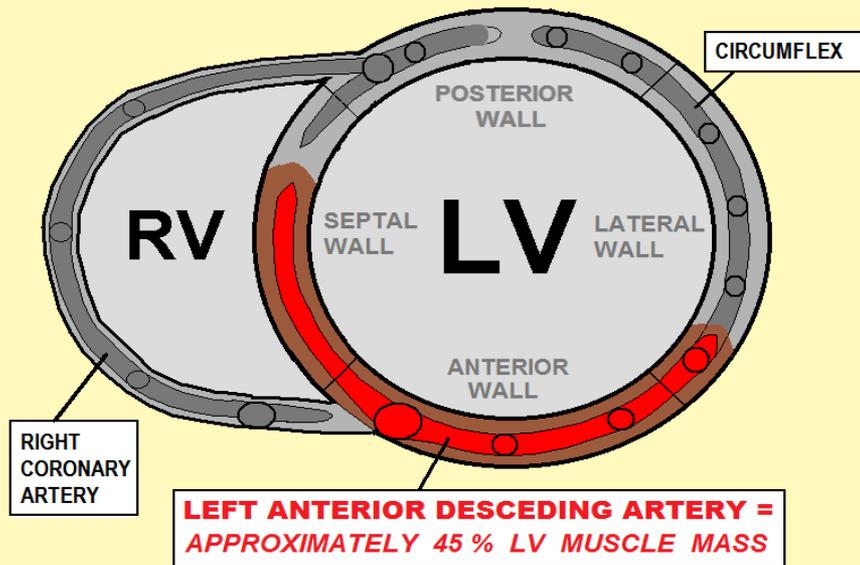
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## OCCLUSION of the LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY



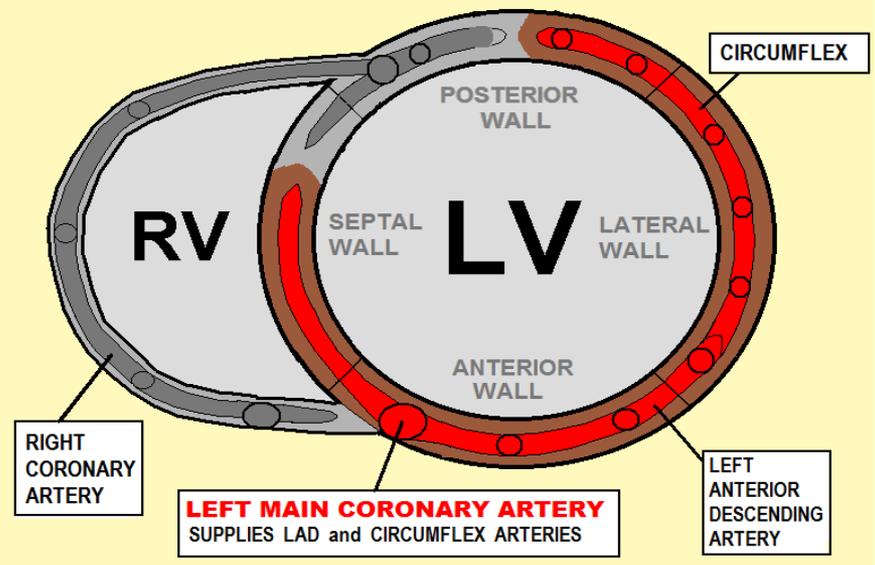
## The LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY

*SUPPLIES 40-50% OF THE LEFT VENTRICULAR MUSCLE MASS*



## The LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY

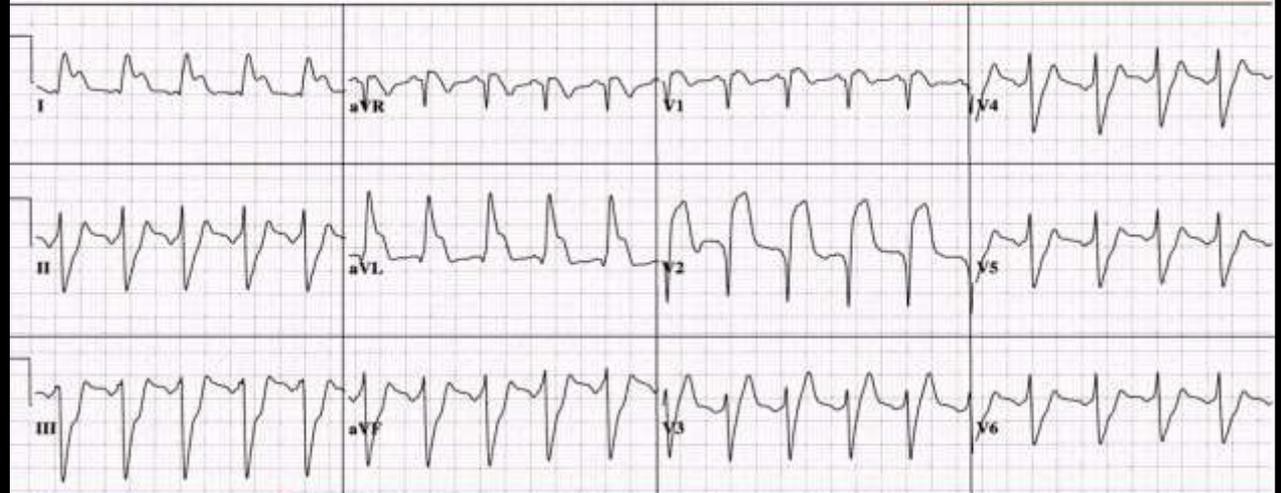
*SUPPLIES 75-100% of the LEFT VENTRICULAR MUSCLE MASS*



36 yr Male Caucasian Vent. rate 123 BPM  
 PR interval 96 ms  
 QRS duration 130 ms  
 QT/QTc 310/443 ms  
 P-R-T axes \* -53 43

Sinus tachycardia with short PR  
 Left ventricular hypertrophy with QRS widening  
 Cannot rule out Septal infarct, age undetermined  
 Lateral injury pattern  
 \*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*

**ACUTE STEMI caused by LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY OCCLUSION**



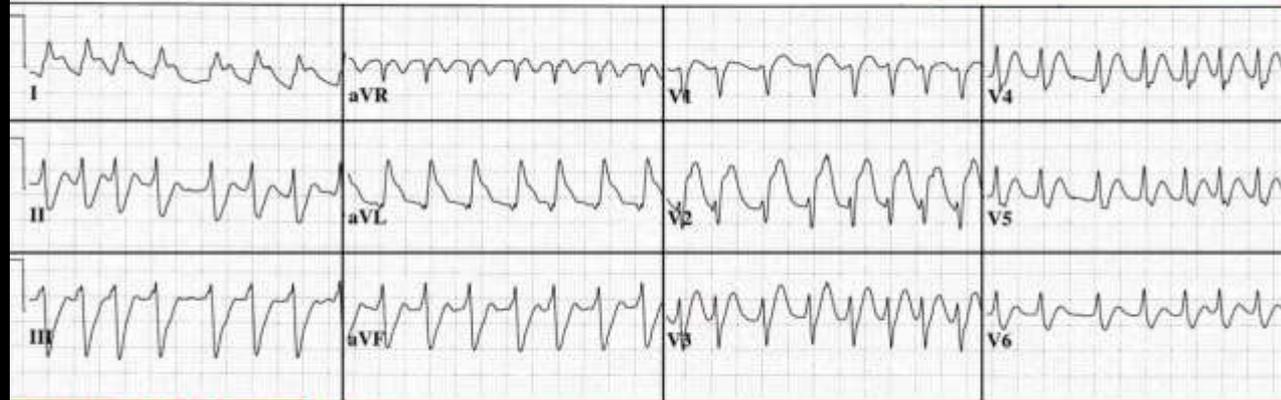
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- PATTERN of LEFT ANTERIOR FASCICULAR BLOCK (POS. QRS lead I; NEG rS leads II, III)
- ST ELEVATION in lead aVR > 0.5 mm

43 yr Male Vent. rate 183 BPM  
 PR interval \* ms  
 QRS duration 106 ms  
 QT/QTc 240/418 ms  
 P-R-T axes \* -34 -18

Atrial fibrillation with rapid ventricular response with premature ventricular or aberrantly conducted complexes  
 Left axis deviation  
 ST elevation consider anterolateral injury or acute infarct  
 \*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*

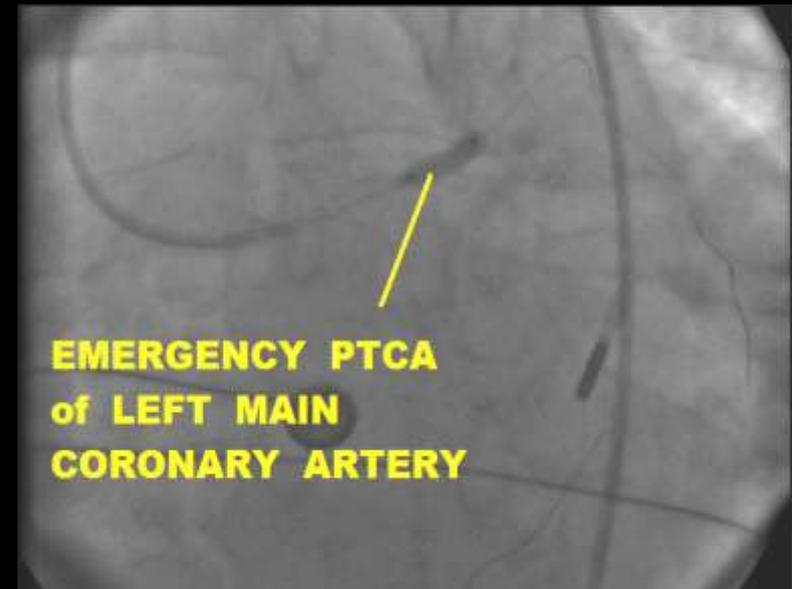
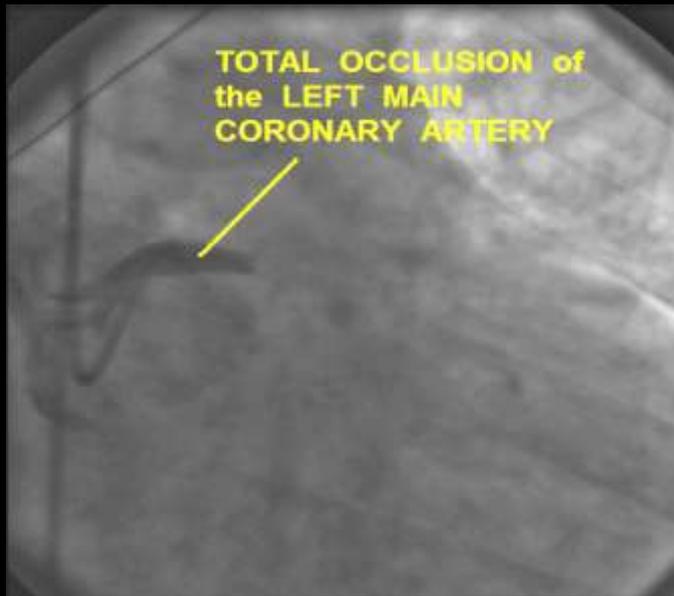
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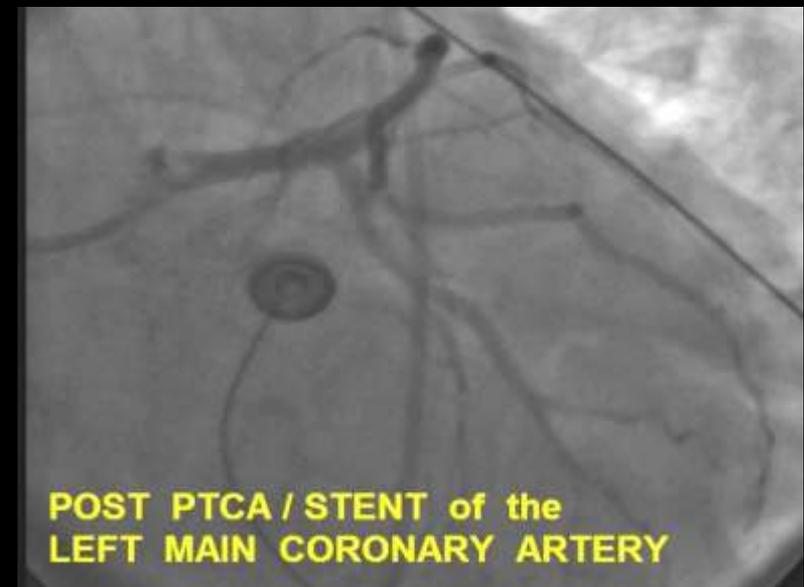
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Despite the dismal mortality rate associated with STEMI from total LMCA occlusion, this patient survived and was later discharged. His EF is estimated at approximately 30%. He received an ICD, and is currently stable.



## CASE STUDY 4: CRITICAL DECISIONS SCENARIO

### CONCLUSIONS:

QUESTION 1: WHICH PATIENT SHOULD BE TAKEN FIRST FOR IMMEDIATE CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION for EMERGENCY PCI ?

ANSWER: PATIENT B was taken emergently to the Cardiac Cath Lab - both the ED physician and the Interventional Cardiologist correctly identified the EKG patterns of LMCA occlusion.

QUESTION 2: WHAT COURSE OF ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN WITH THE PATIENT NOT CHOSEN TO BE SENT TO THE CATH LAB FIRST?

ANSWER: PATIENT A received thrombolytic therapy in the ED. It was determined that THROMBOLYTIC THERAPY would achieve the FASTEST ROUTE to REPERFUSION --  
-- *by at least 60 minutes.*

## CASE STUDY 7 - STEMI

### CHIEF COMPLAINT and SIGNIFICANT HISTORY:

46 yr. old MALE arrives in ER, C/O SUDDEN ONSET OF CHEST PRESSURE 45 MINUTES AGO. PAIN IS CONSTANT, PRESSURE-LIKE, AND NOT EFFECTED BY POSITION, MOVEMENT or DEEP INSPIRATION. ALSO C/O D.I.B.

### RISK FACTOR PROFILE:

-  CURRENT CIGARTE SMOKER x 18 YEARS
-  HYPERTENSION
-  HIGH LDL CHOLESTEROL

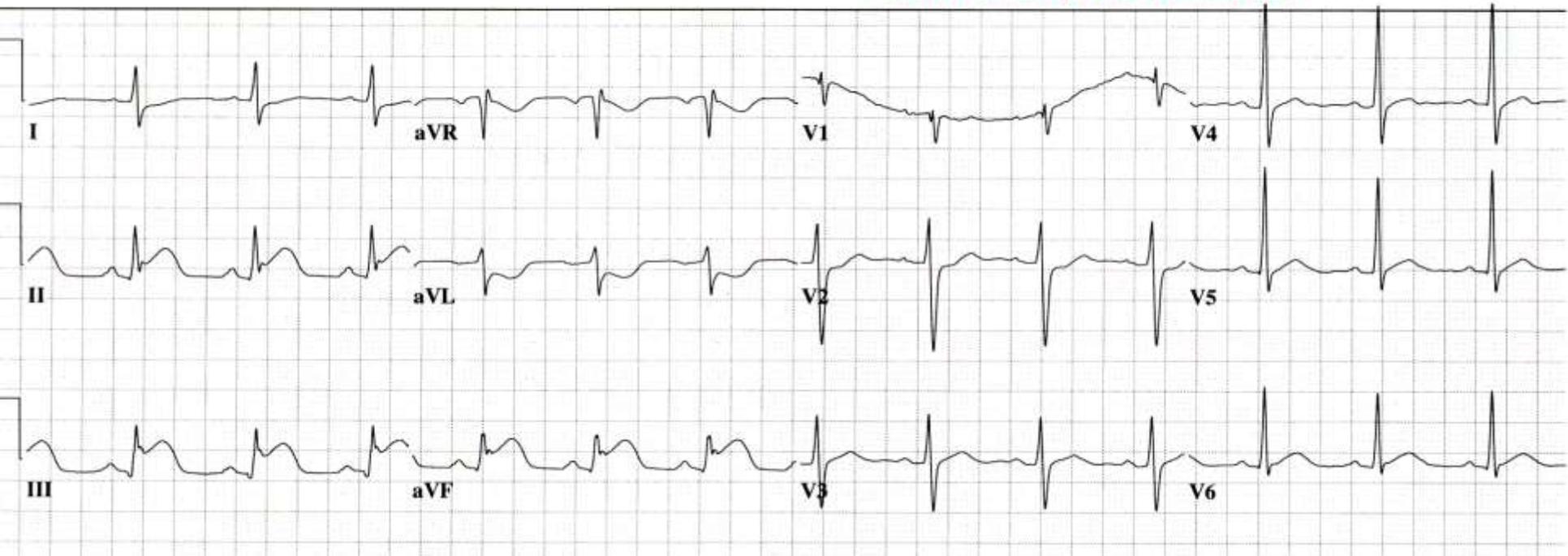
**PHYSICAL EXAM:** Patient is alert & oriented x 4, skin warm, dry, color normal. Non-anxious  
Lungs clear, normal S1, S2. No JVD, No ankle edema.

**VITAL SIGNS:** BP: 136/88 P: 88 R: 20 SAO2: 100% on 4 LPM O2

**LABS:** TROPONIN: < .04

46 yr Male    Caucasian    Vent. rate 82 BPM  
PR interval 168 ms  
QRS duration 96 ms  
QT/QTc 384/448 ms  
Loc:3    Option:23    P-R-T axes 76 81 88

- EVALUATE EKG for indicators of ACS:**
- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION
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  - CONVEX ST SEGMENTS
  - OTHER ST SEGMENT / T WAVE ABNORMALITIES



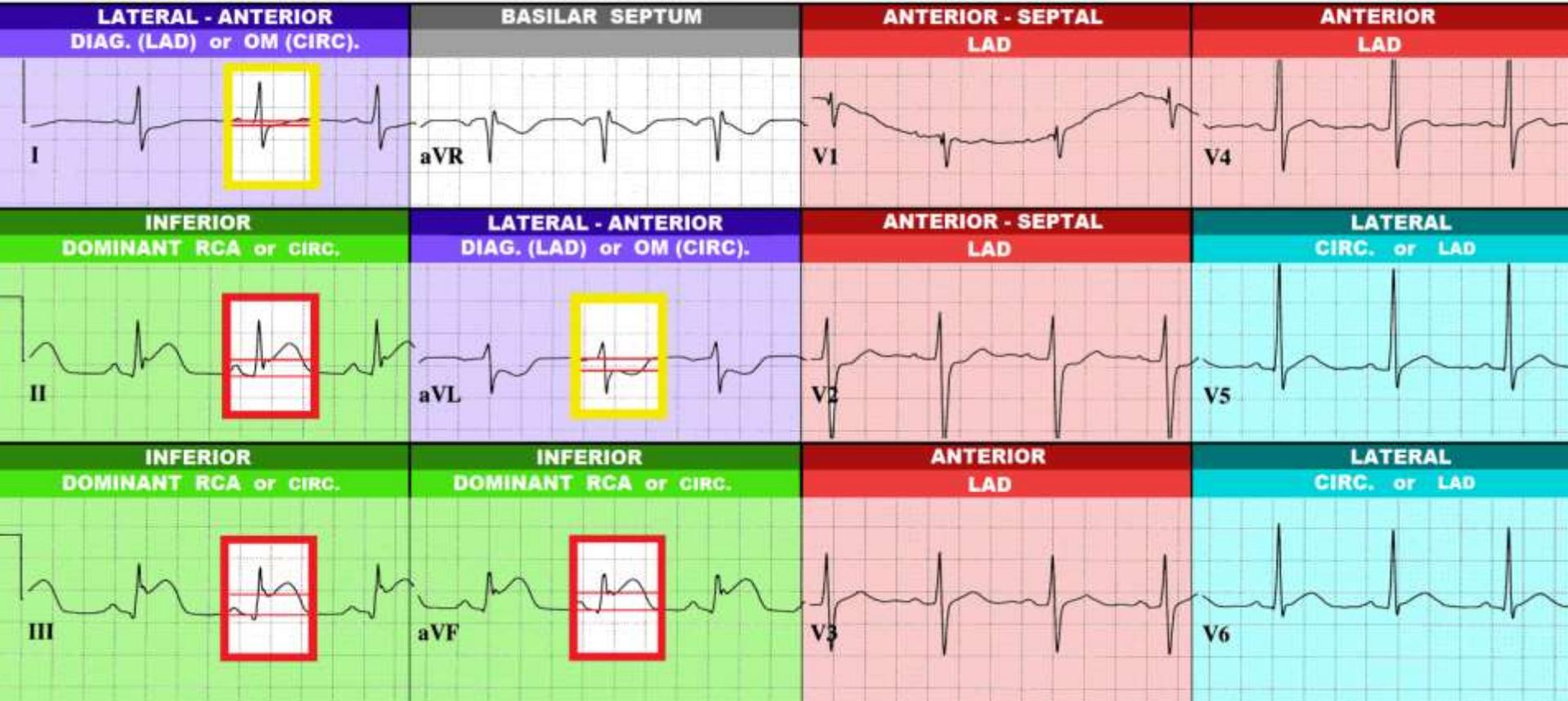
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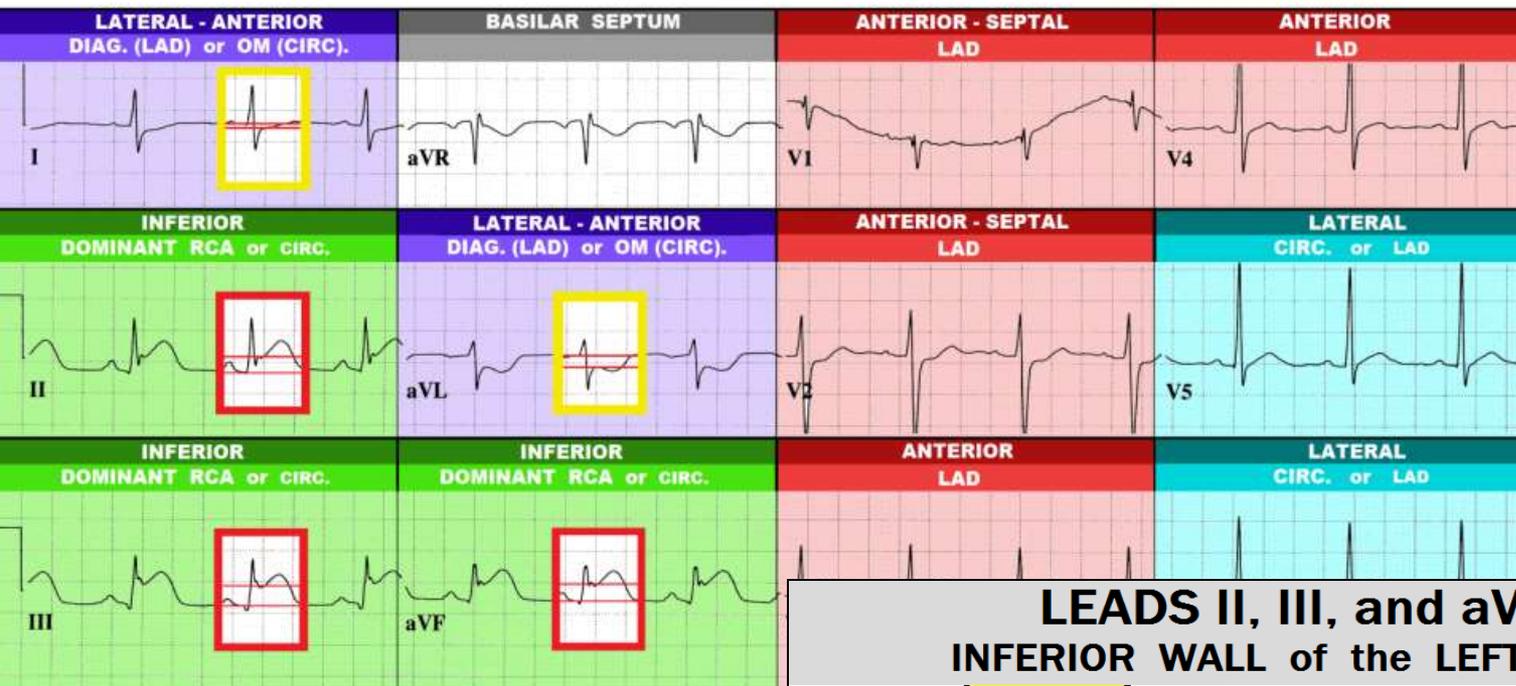
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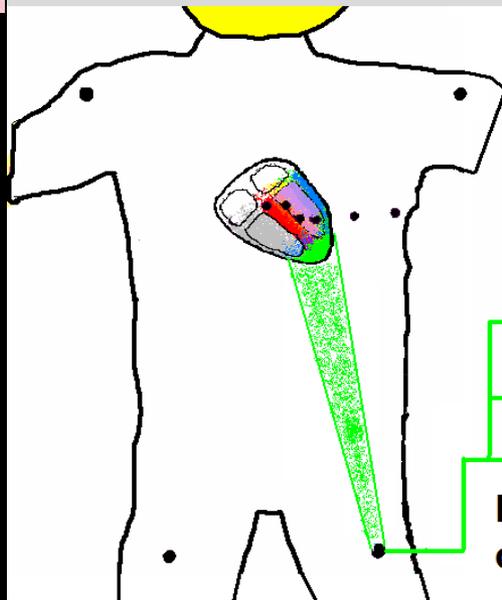


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ST SEGMENT ELEVATION  
 ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION



**LEADS II, III, and aVF VIEW INFERIOR WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE**

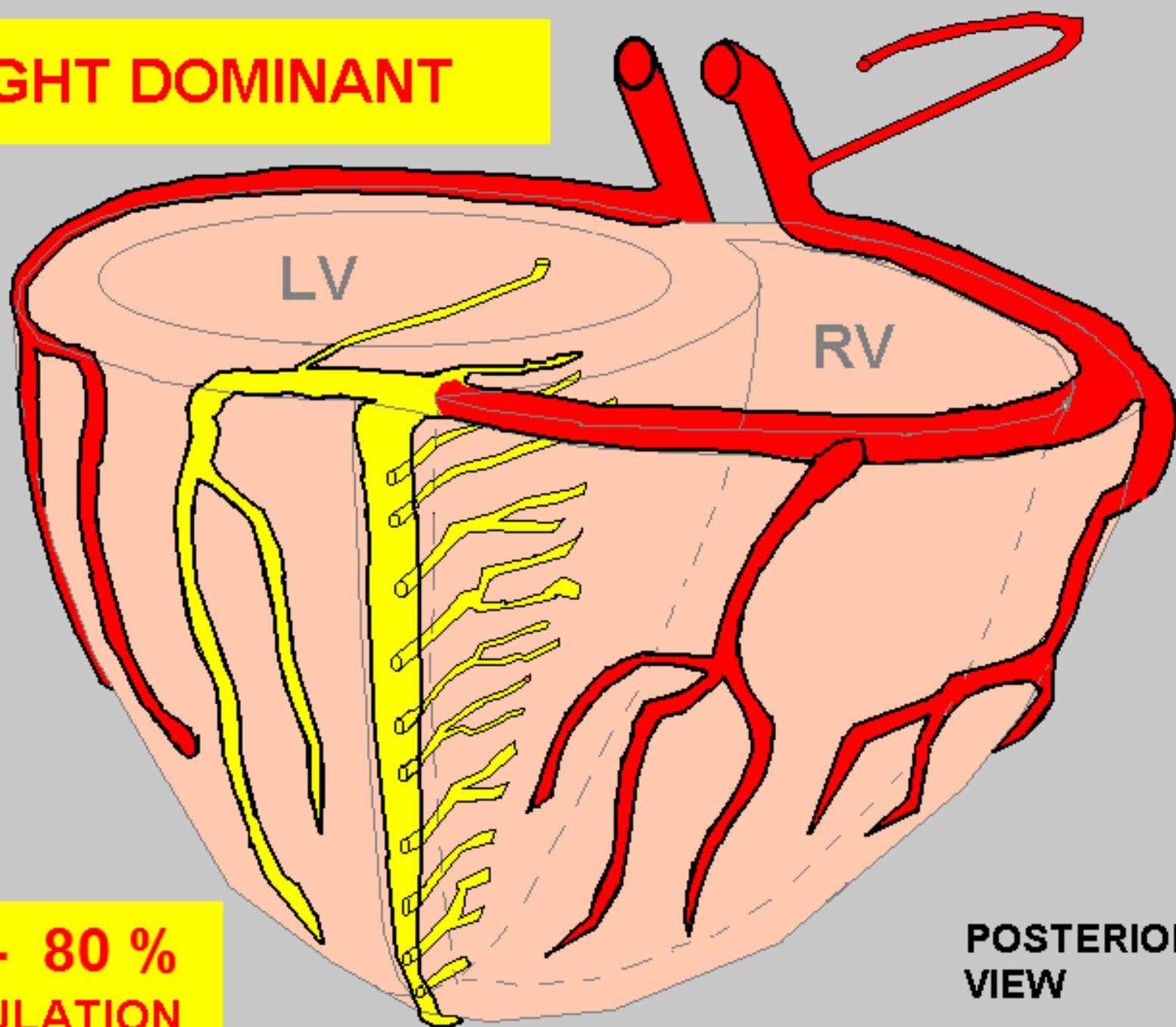


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 QRS: 100 ms Very Healthy Athletic EKG!

I	AVR	V1	V4
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III	AVF	V3	V6

**FED by the RCA ( 75 - 80 % pop ) or the CIRCUMFLEX ( 10 - 15 % )**

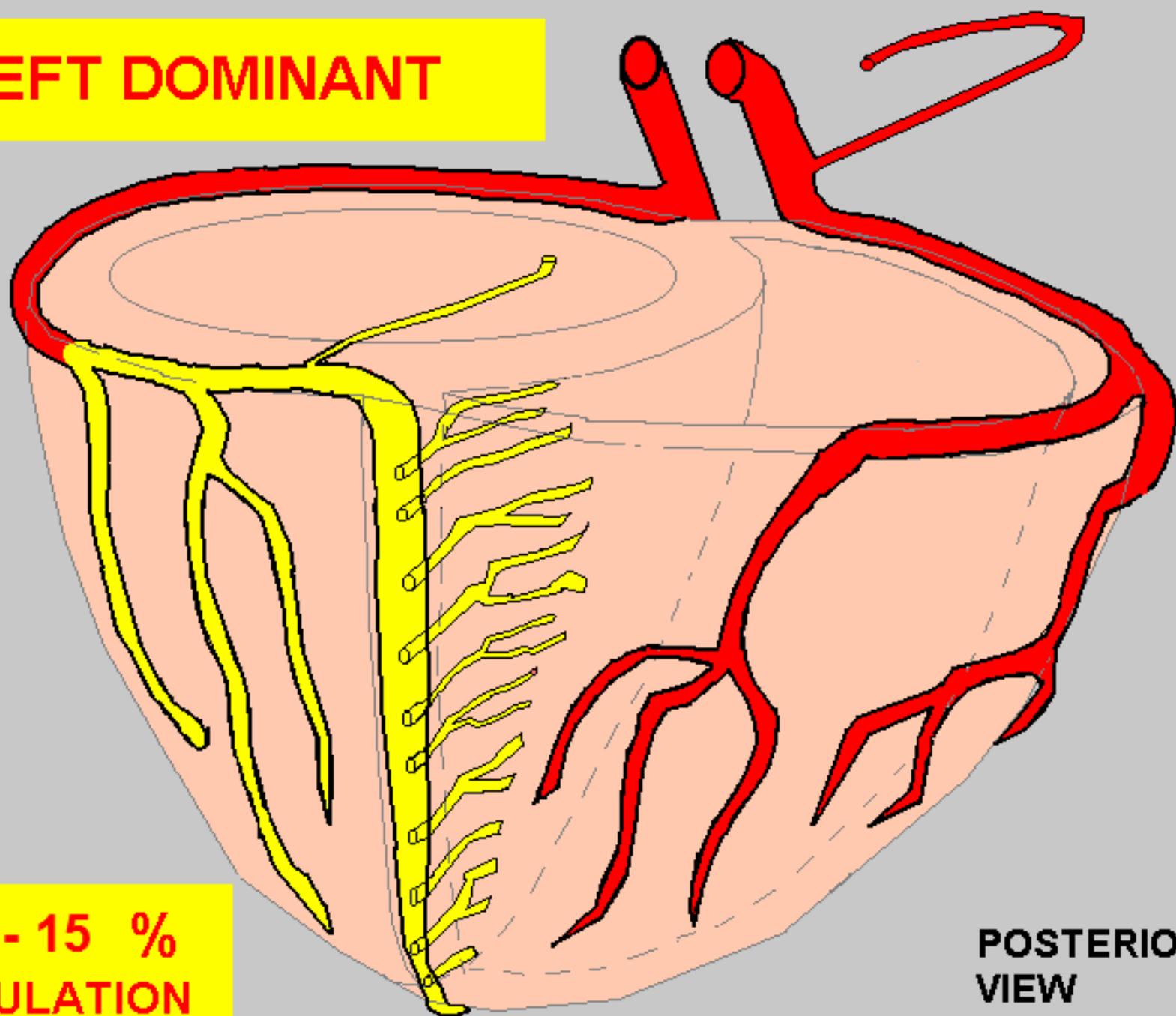
**RIGHT DOMINANT**



**75 - 80 %  
POPULATION**

**POSTERIOR  
VIEW**

**LEFT DOMINANT**



**10 - 15 %  
POPULATION**

**POSTERIOR  
VIEW**



HELPFUL HINT . . . *MEMORIZE THIS!*



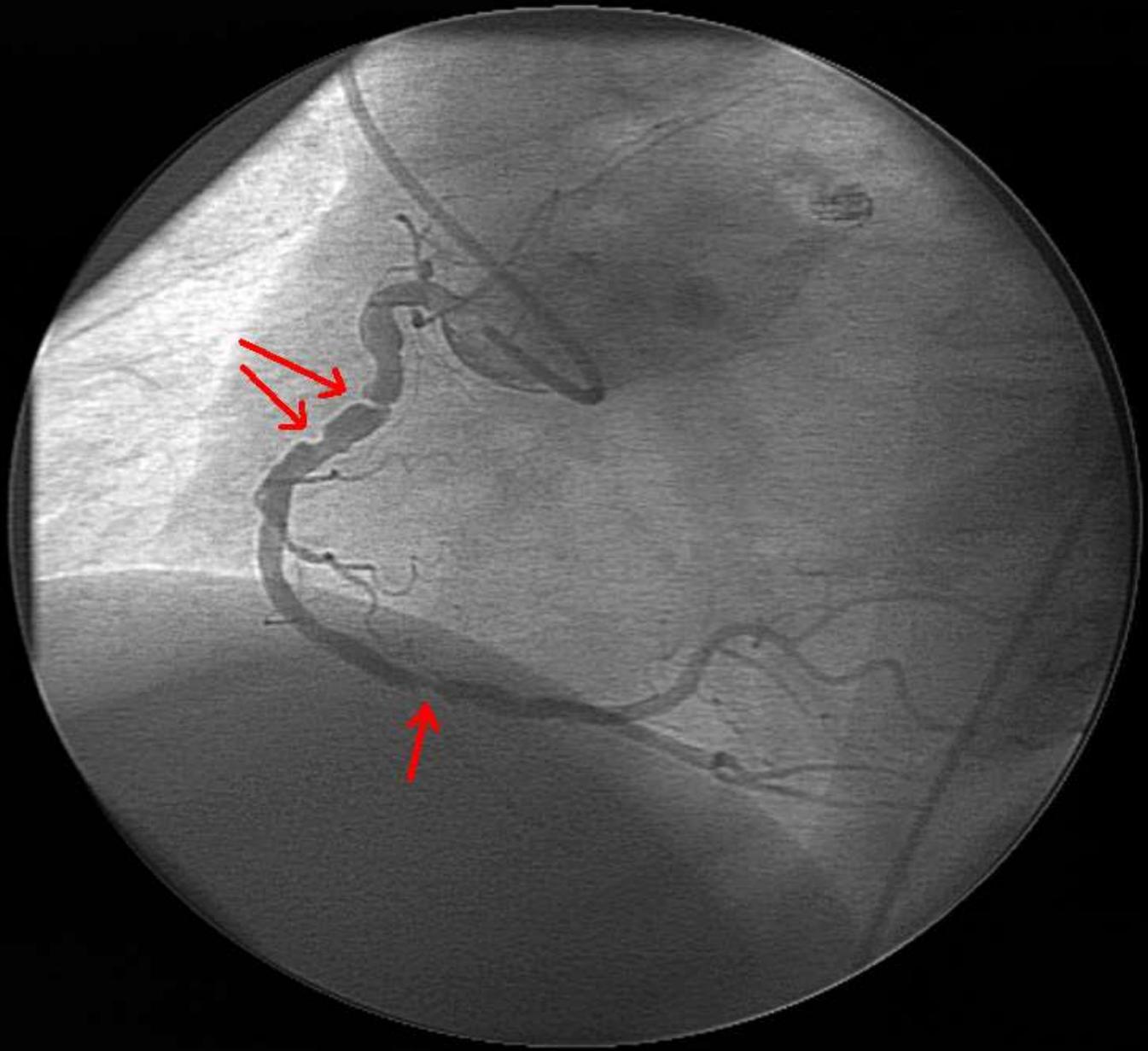
## RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY (RCA)

RIGHT DOMINANT  
SYSTEMS

- ▶ **RIGHT ATRIUM**
- ▶ **SINUS NODE** (55% of the population)
- ▶ **RIGHT VENTRICLE** - 100% of muscle mass
- ▶ **LEFT VENTRICLE:** 15 - 25% of muscle mass
  - **INFERIOR WALL**
  - approx. 1/2 of **POSTERIOR WALL**
- ▶ **AV NODE**

# **ANTICIPATED COMPLICATIONS of INFERIOR WALL STEMI secondary to RCA Occlusion & POSSIBLE INDICATED INTERVENTIONS:**

<b>- CARDIAC ARREST</b>	<b>BCLS / ACLS</b>
<b>- CARDIAC DYSRHYTHMIAS (VT / VF)</b>	<b>ACLS (antiarrhythmics)</b>
<b>- SINUS BRADYCARDIA</b>	<b>ATROPINE 0.5mg, REPEAT as needed UP TO 3mg. (follow ACLS and/or UNIT protocols)</b>
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<b>- RIGHT VENTRICULAR MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- The standard 12 Lead ECG does NOT view the Right Ventricle.</li><li>- You must do a RIGHT-SIDED ECG to see if RV MI is present.</li><li>- Do NOT give any Inferior Wall STEMI patient NITRATES or DIURETICS until RV MI has been RULED OUT.</li></ul>
<b>- POSTERIOR WALL INFARCTION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- POSTERIOR WALL MI presents on the 12 Lead ECG as ST DEPRESSION in Leads V1 - V3.</li><li>- POSTERIOR WALL MI is NOT PRESENT ON THIS ECG.</li></ul>



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A standard

**12 LEAD EKG**

Does NOT show the

**RIGHT VENTRICLE**

To see the  
**RIGHT VENTRICLE . . .**

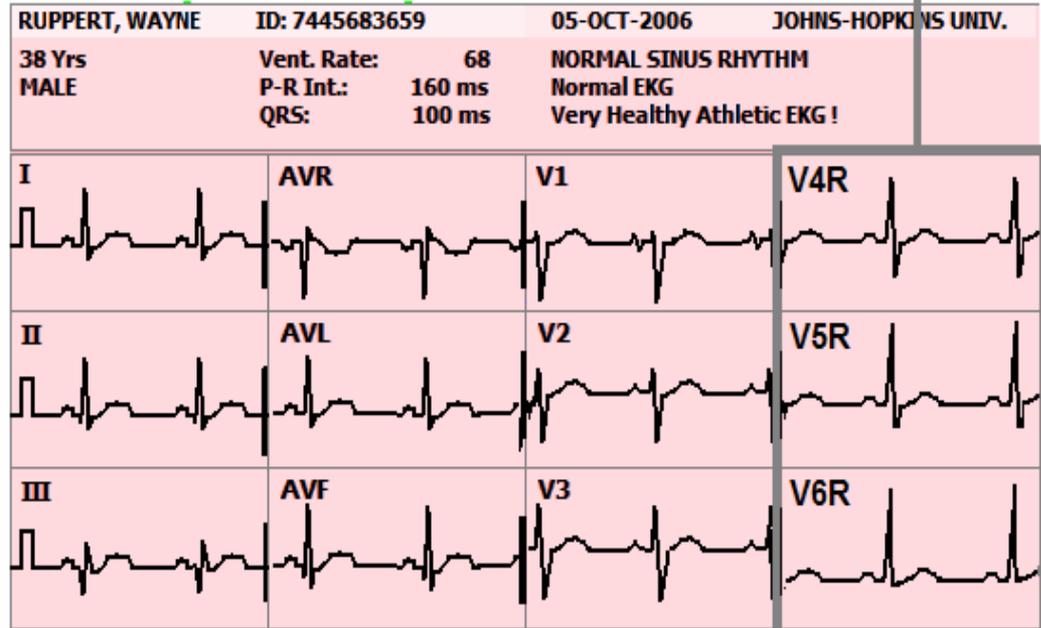
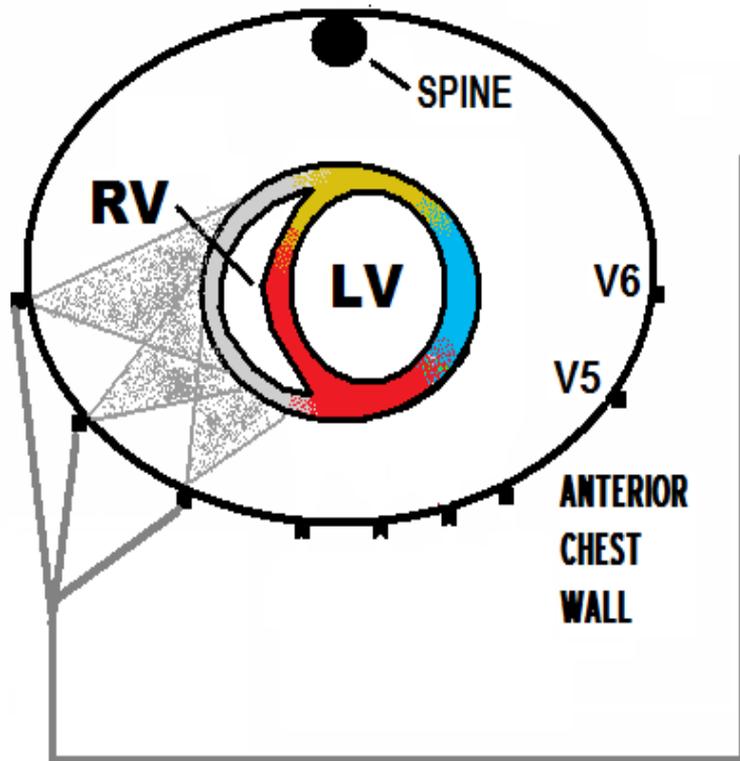
. . . such as in cases of  
**INFERIOR WALL M.I.**



You must do a

**RIGHT - SIDED EKG !!**

# V4R - V6R VIEW THE RIGHT VENTRICLE



# RV MI STEMI Criteria:

- ST Elevation of 0.5mm (0.5mv) or more in Leads V3R, V4R, V5R or V6R

# RV MI STEMI Criteria:

- ST Elevation of \_\_\_mm (0.5mv) or more in Leads V3R, V4R, V5R or V6R

ID:

46 yo  
Male Caucasian  
Room: Opt:

Vent. rate 87 bpm  
PR interval 176 ms  
QRS duration 94 ms  
QT/QTc 330/397 ms  
P-R-T axes 79 81 102

Normal sinus rhythm  
~~Anterolateral infarct, possibly acute~~  
Inferior injury pattern  
\*\*\*\*\* Acute MI \*\*\*\*\*  
Abnormal ECG

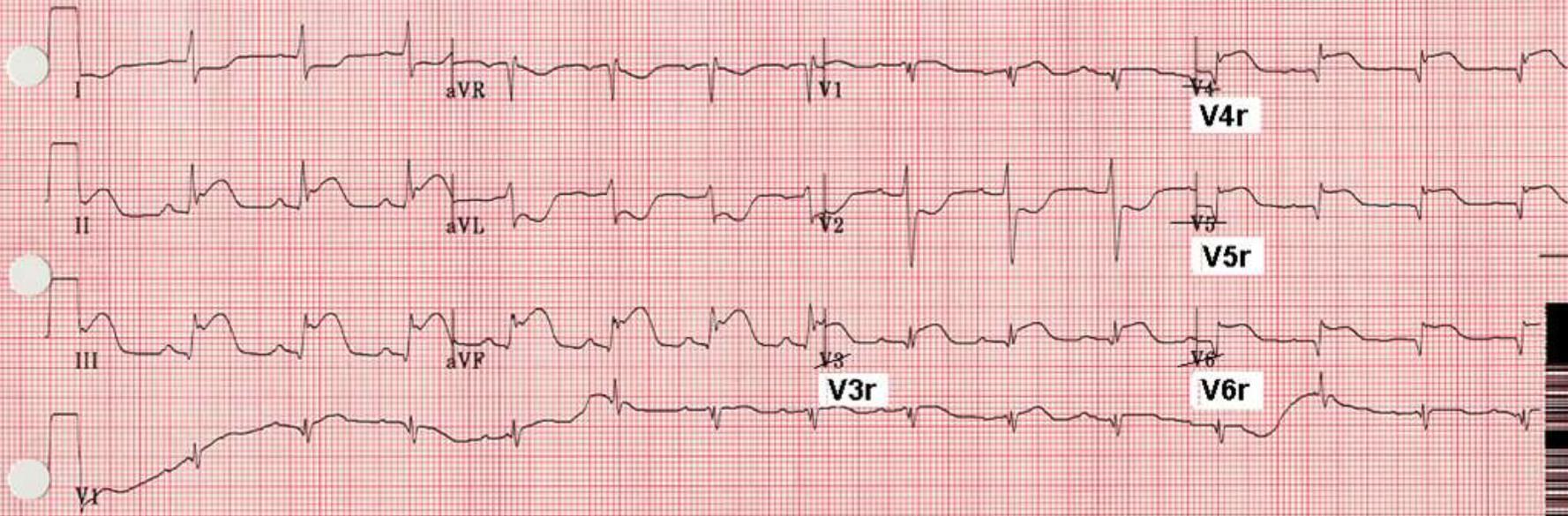
**Right Ventricular Infarct**

V LEADS  
R SIDE

Technician:

Referred by:

Unconfirmed



**RIGHT VENTRICULAR STEMI is indicated when ST Segment Elevation of 0.5mv is present.**

IN *EVERY* CASE of

# INFERIOR WALL STEMI

You must first *RULE OUT*

## RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI

*BEFORE* giving any:

- NITROGLYCERIN
- Diuretics

**Nitroglycerin & Diuretics  
are  
CLASS III CONTRINDICATED  
in  
RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI !!\***

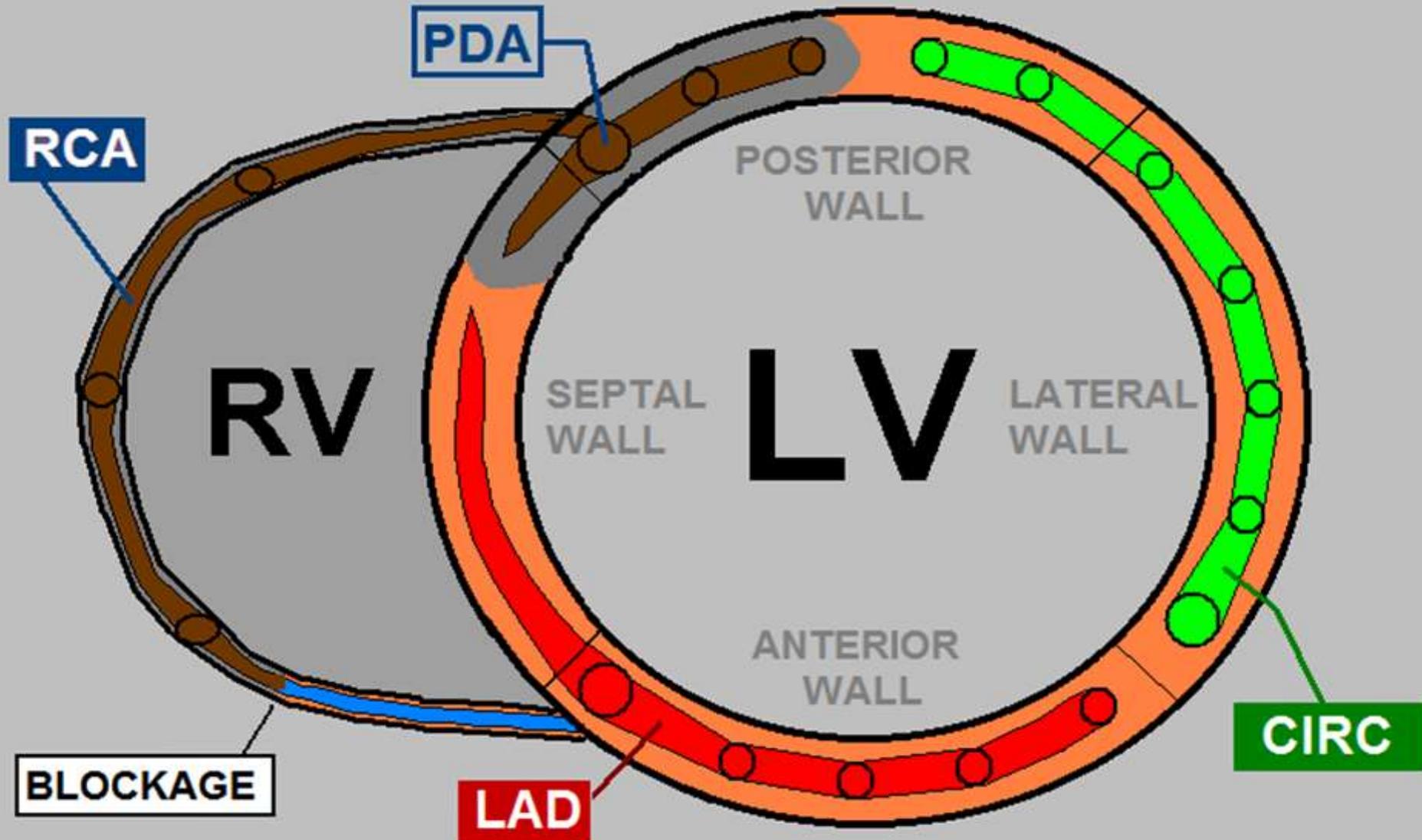
**They precipitate SEVERE  
HYPOTENSION**

**\* A.H.A. ACLS 2010 / 2015**

# INFERIOR - RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI

**DOMINANT RCA**

**75-80 % of POPULATION**



# ANTICIPATED COMPLICATIONS of INFERIOR - RIGHT VENTRICULAR WALL STEMI secondary to PROXIMAL RCA Occlusion & POSSIBLE INDICATED INTERVENTIONS:

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- RIGHT VENTRICULAR MYOCARDIAL INFARCTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NITRATES and DIURETICS are CONTRA-INDICATED.</li> <li>- TREAT HYPOTENSION WITH FLUIDS. (It is Not uncommon to give 500-2000ml of NORMAL SALINE to stabilize BP.</li> </ul>
- POSTERIOR WALL INFARCTION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- POSTERIOR WALL MI presents on the 12 Lead ECG as ST DEPRESSION in Leads V1 - V3.</li> <li>- POSTERIOR WALL MI is NOT PRESENT ON THIS ECG.</li> </ul>

If this patient becomes  
**HYPOTENSIVE . . . . .**

MI with HYPOTENSION ??

WET LUNG  
SOUNDS ??

NO

YES

RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI ?

YES

NO

POSTERIOR / LATERAL  
INVOLVEMENT ?

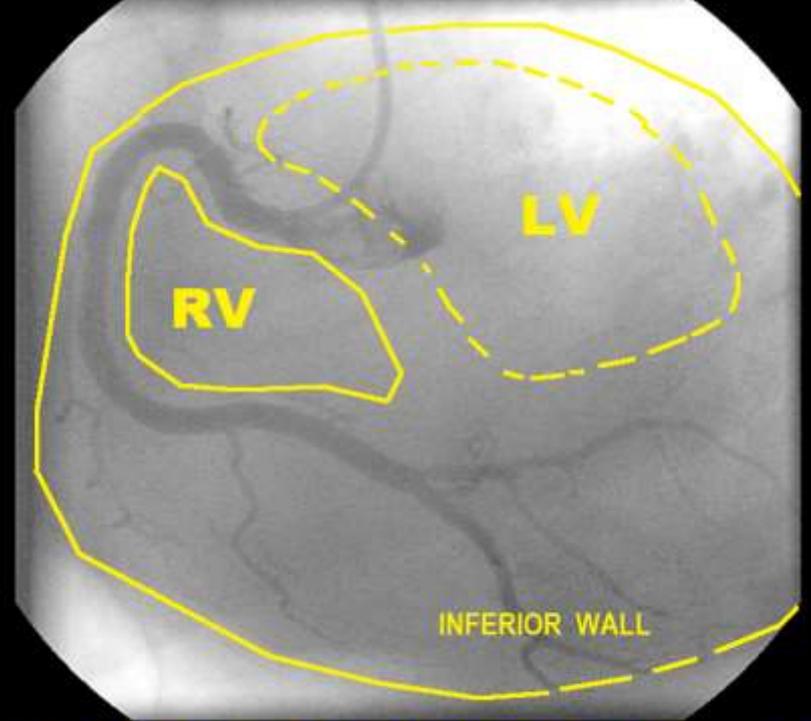
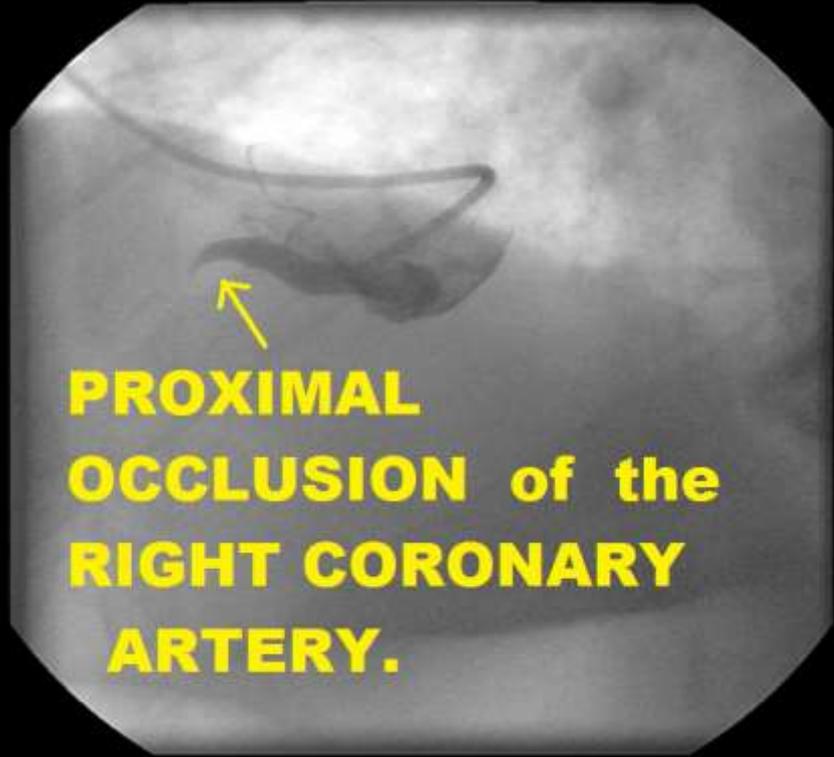
NO

YES

IV  
FLUIDS !

- FLUID CHALLENGE
- INOTROPES
- CONSIDER I.A.B.P

- INOTROPES
- CONSIDER ET INTUBATION
- CONSIDER I.A.B.P.



**POST PTCA / STENT DEPLOYMENT TO PROXIMAL RCA**

**CHIEF COMPLAINT and SIGNIFICANT HISTORY:**

42 y/o MALE arrived via EMS, c/o "HEAVY CHEST PRESSURE," SHORTNESS of BREATH X 40 min. He has experienced V-FIB and been DEFIBRILLATED multiple times

**RISK FACTOR PROFILE:**

-  CIGARETTE SMOKER
-  HYPERTENSION
-  HIGH LDL CHOLESTEROL

**PHYSICAL EXAM:** Patient is alert & oriented x 4, ANXIOUS, with COOL, PALE, DIAPHORETIC SKIN. C/O NAUSEA, and is VOMITING. LUNG SOUNDS: COARSE CRACKLES, BASES, bilaterally

**VITAL SIGNS:** BP: 80/40 P: 70 R: 32 SAO2: 92% on 15 LPM O2

**LABS:** TROPONIN: < .04

## ***SHOCK ASSESSMENT***

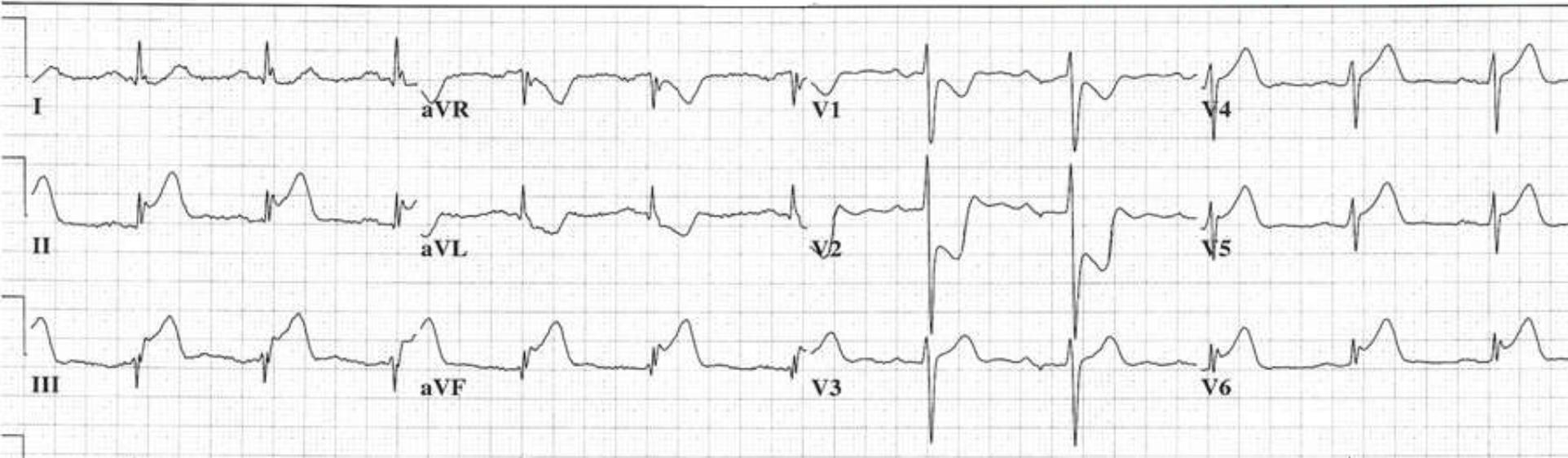
<b>LOC:</b>	ANXIOUS RESTLESS LETHARGIC UNCONSCIOUS	AWAKE ALERT & ORIENTED
<b>SKIN:</b>	PALE / ASHEN CYANOTIC COOL DIAPHORETIC	NORMAL HUE WARM DRY
<b>BREATHING:</b>	TACHYPNEA	NORMAL
<b>PULSE:</b>	WEAK / THREADY TOO FAST or SLOW	STRONG
<b>STATUS:</b>	 <b>SHOCK</b> 	<b>NORMAL</b>

42 yr		Vent. rate	69	BPM
Male	Caucasian	PR interval	196	ms
		QRS duration	98	ms
		QT/QTc	388/415	ms
Loc:3	Option:23	P-R-T axes	14 28	81



### EVALUATE EKG for indicators of ACS:

- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION
- HYPERACUTE T WAVES
- CONVEX ST SEGMENTS
- OTHER ST SEGMENT / T WAVE ABNORMALITIES



### CASE STUDY QUESTIONS:

NOTE LEADS WITH ST ELEVATION:

NOTE LEADS WITH ST DEPRESSION:

WHAT IS THE SUSPECTED DIAGNOSIS ?

WHAT IS THE "CULPRIT ARTERY" -- if applicable ?

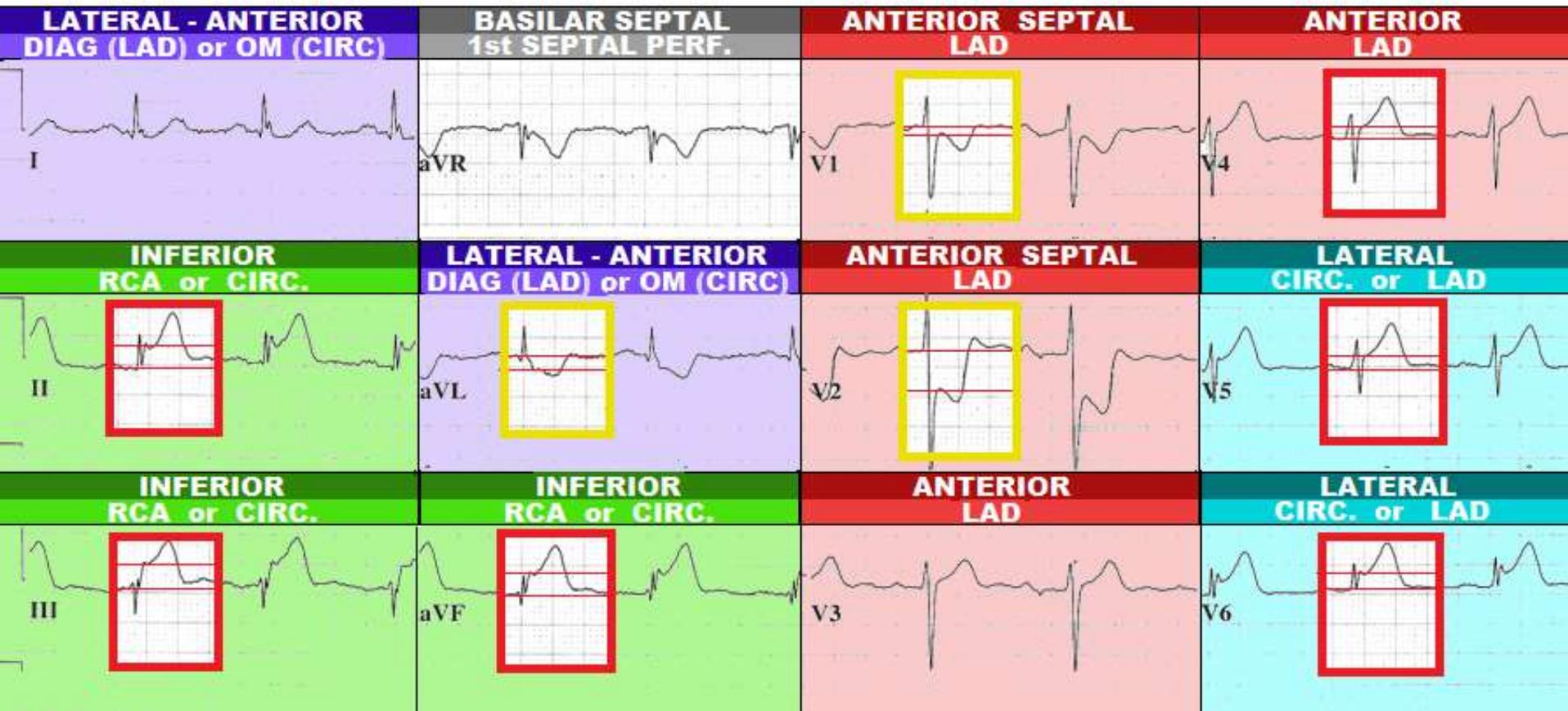
LIST ANY CRITICAL STRUCTURES COMPROMISED:

LIST ANY POTENTIAL COMPLICATIONS:

42 yr Male    Caucasian    Vent. rate 69 BPM    \*\*\* Acute MI \*\*\*  
 PR interval 196 ms    Inferior-Posterior-Lateral Injury Pattern  
 QRS duration 98 ms  
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**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

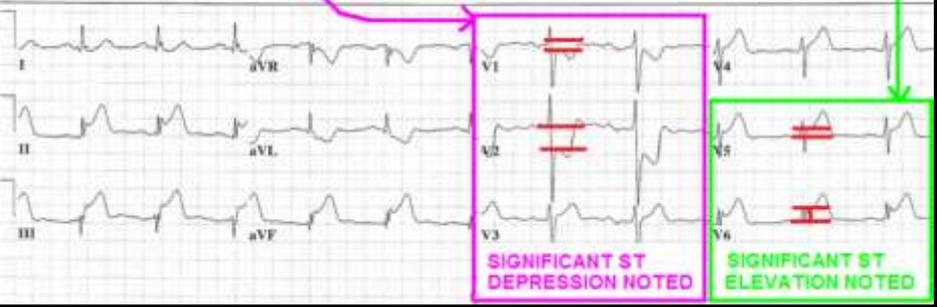
**ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION**



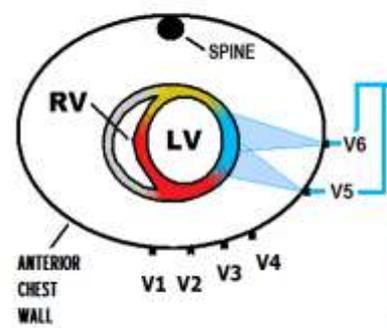
42 yr Male Caucasian Vest. rate 60 BPM PR interval 190 ms QRS duration 50 ms QT/QTc 380/415 ms LAD: 3 Opton23 P-R-T axis 14 20 81

INDICATOR	COMPLICATION
1. S-T DEPRESSION IN THE V-LEADS (PREDOMINANTLY V1 - V3)	→ POSTERIOR WALL MI
2. S-T ELEVATION IN LEADS V5, V6, LEAD I, and AVL	→ LATERAL WALL MI
3. S-T ELEVATION in LEADS V3r - V6r (RIGHT-SIDED EKG)	→ R. VENTRICULAR MI

R SIDED ECG was obtained, NO ST ELEVATION was noted in RV Leads

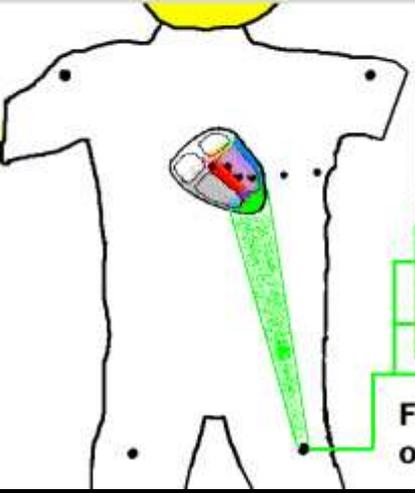


## V5 - V6 VIEW THE LATERAL WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE



RUPPERT, WAYNE		ID: 7445683659	05-OCT-2006	JOHNS HOPKINS UNIV.
38 Yrs	MALE	Vent. Rate: 68	PR Int.: 160 ms	QRS: 100 ms
		NORMAL SINUS RHYTHM Normal ECG Very Healthy Athletic EKG 1		
I	AVR	V1	V4	
II	AVL	V2	V5	
III	AVF	V3	V6	

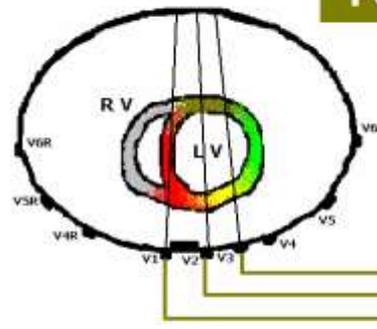
## LEADS II, III, and aVF VIEW THE INFERIOR WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE



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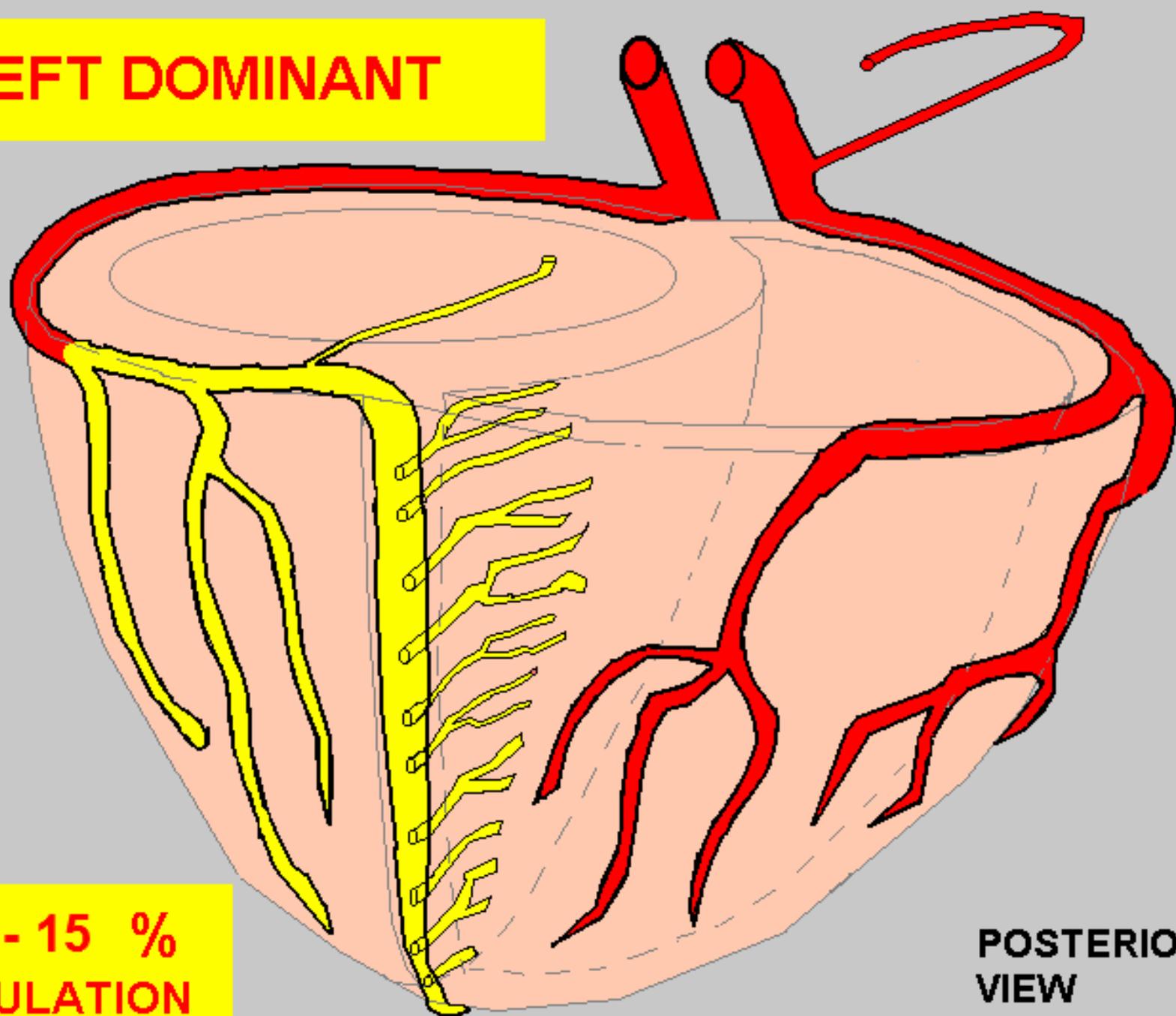
## LEADS V1 - V3 view the POSTERIOR WALL



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via RECIPROCAL CHANGES.

**LEFT DOMINANT**



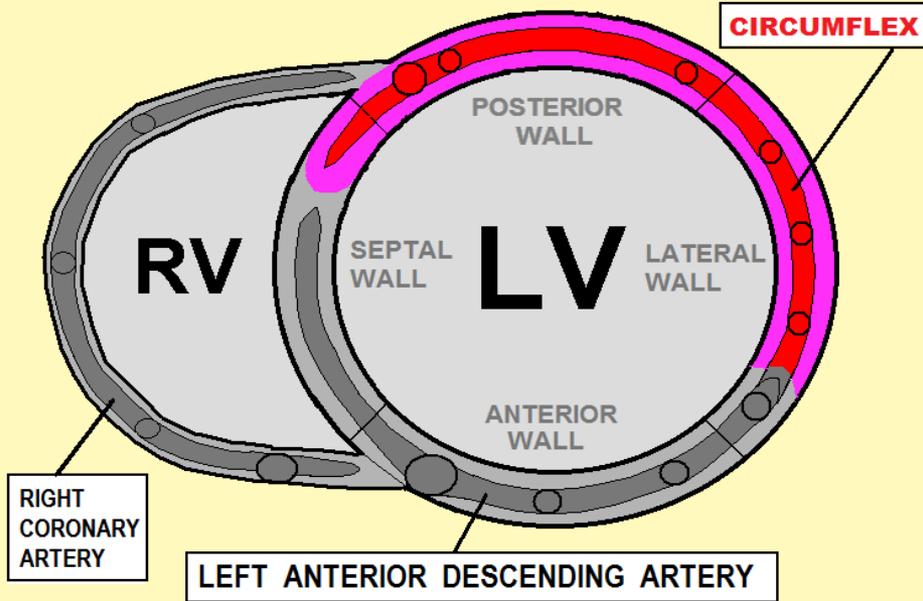
**10 - 15 %  
POPULATION**

**POSTERIOR  
VIEW**

Both patients will present with INFERIOR WALL STEMI (ST elevation leads II, III and AVF):

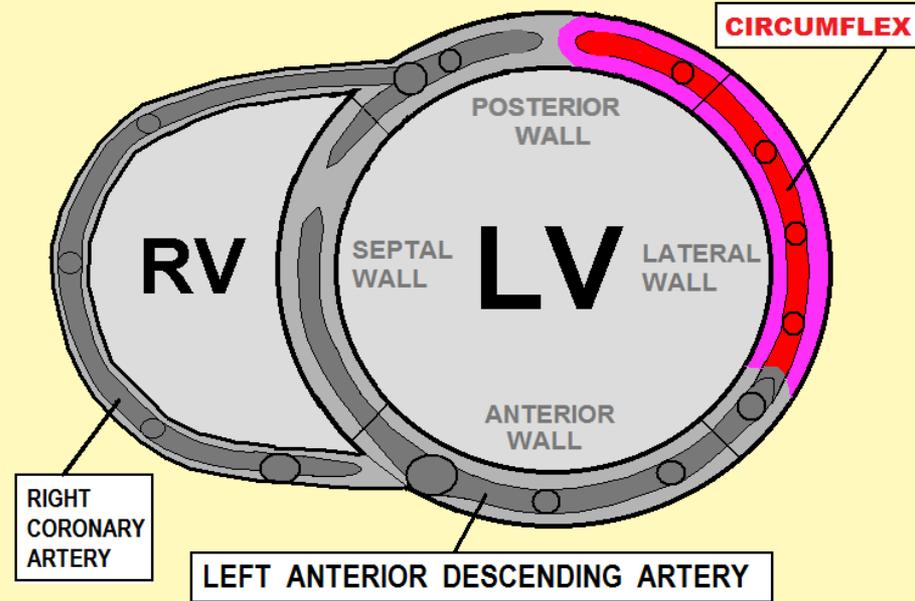
### The **DOMINANT CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY** ...

**SUPPLIES 35-55% OF THE LEFT VENTRICULAR MUSCLE MASS**



### The **NON - DOMINANT CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY**

**SUPPLIES 25-30% OF THE LEFT VENTRICULAR MUSCLE MASS**



Occlusion of **DOMINANT Circumflex** typically presents with more:

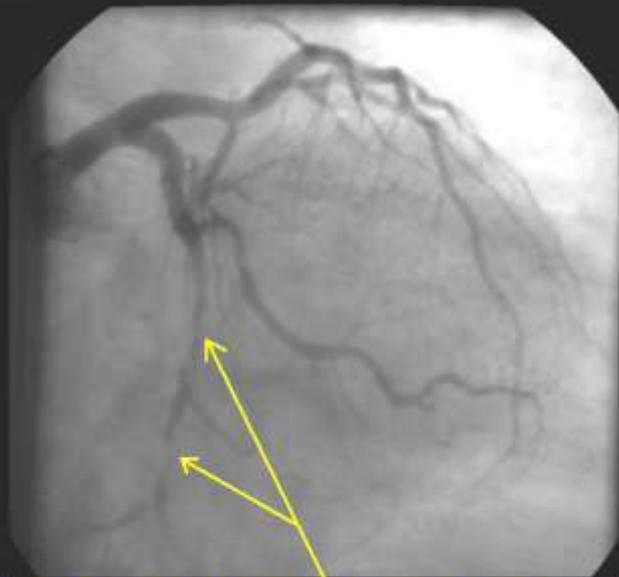
- ST Depression Leads V1 – V3 (Posterior MI)
- ST Elevation Leads V5, V6 (Lateral MI)

Usually has **PROFOUND** Cardiogenic Shock  
ALMOST NEVER has Right Ventricular MI

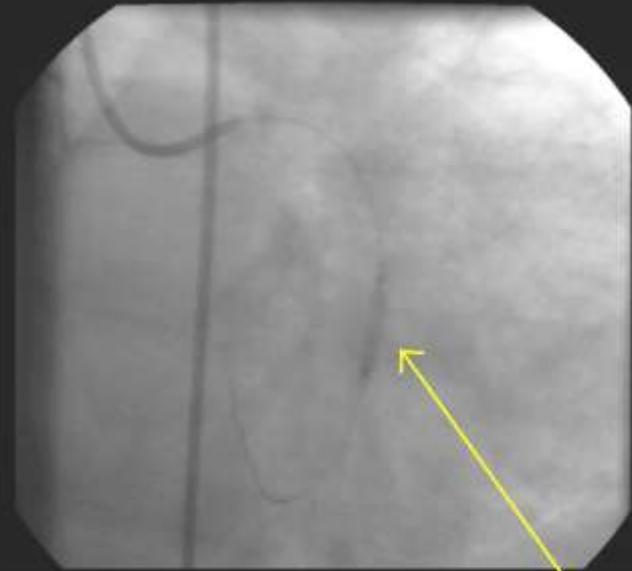
Occlusion of **DOMINANT RCA** typically presents with **VERY LITTLE** or **NO**:

- ST Depression Leads V1-V3
- ST Elevation Leads V5, V6

Usually **NO** Cardiogenic Shock, good BP  
**OFTEN** has Right Ventricular MI



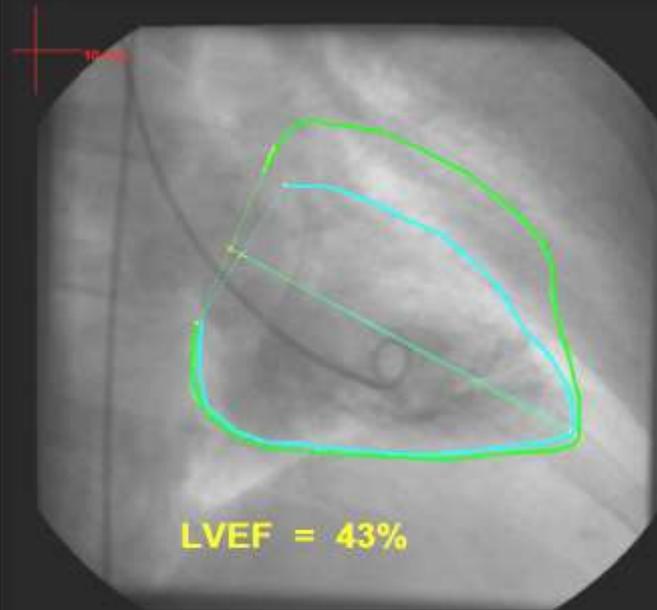
**CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY OCCLUDED with significant THROMBUS.**



**PTCA of CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY.**



**DOMINANT CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY OPEN POST THROMBECTOMY with STENT DEPLOYMENT.**



**LVEF = 43%**

**Dia Area = 11.8 cm<sup>2</sup>  
Dia Volume = 27.7 ml**

**Sys Area = 8.7 cm<sup>2</sup>  
Sys Volume = 15.8 ml**

**Eject Frac = 43%  
Stroke Volume = 11.9 ml**

## CASE STUDY SUMMARY

**ST ELEVATION:** II, III, aVF, V5, V6

**ST DEPRESSION:** V1 - V3, POSSIBLY I and aVL

**SUSPECTED DIAGNOSIS:** **ACUTE INFERIOR - POSTERIOR - LATERAL MI**

**SUSPECTED "CULPRIT ARTERY" (if applicable):**

**OCCLUSION of DOMINANT CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY**

**IMMEDIATE CONCERNS FOR ALL STEMI PATIENTS:**

- BE PREPARED TO MANAGE SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST ( PRIMARY V - FIB / V- TACH, BRADYCARDIAS / HEART BLOCKS )
- STAT REPERFUSION THERAPY: THROMBOLYTICS vs. CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION and PCI
- CONSIDER NEEDS FOR ANTI-PLATELET and ANTI-COAGULATION THERAPY

CRITICAL STRUCTURES COMPROMISED:	POTENTIAL COMPLICATIONS:	POSSIBLE CRITICAL INTERVENTIONS:
 30 - 55% of LV MUSCLE MASS	 POSSIBLE SEVERE LV PUMP FAILURE	 INOTROPIC AGENTS ET INTUBATION I.A.B.P. INSERTION
 SA NODE	 SINUS BRADYCARDIA / SINUS ARREST	 ATROPINE TRANSCUTANEOUS PACING
 AV NODE	 HEART BLOCKS	 ATROPINE TRANSCUTANEOUS PACING
 SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT of PAPILLARY MUSCLE INSERTION to BASE of LV	 ACUTE PAPILLARY MUSCLE TEAR and MITRAL VALVE REGURGITATION ( 7 - 10 DAYS )	 INOTROPIC AGENTS DIEURETICS EMERGENCY SURGERY

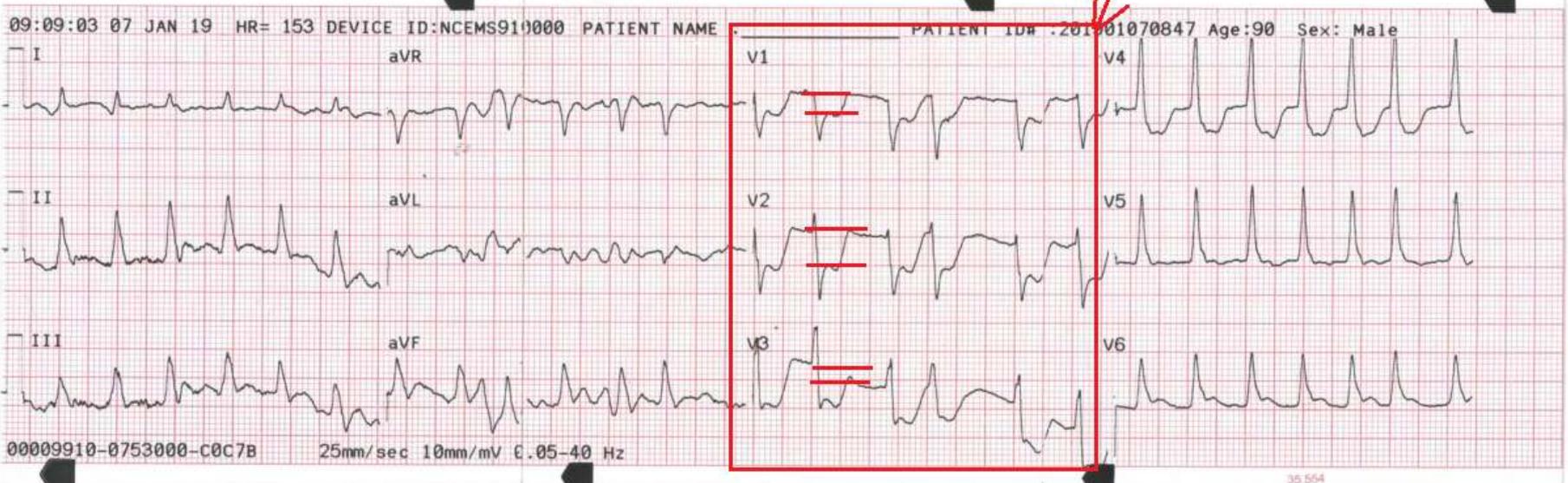
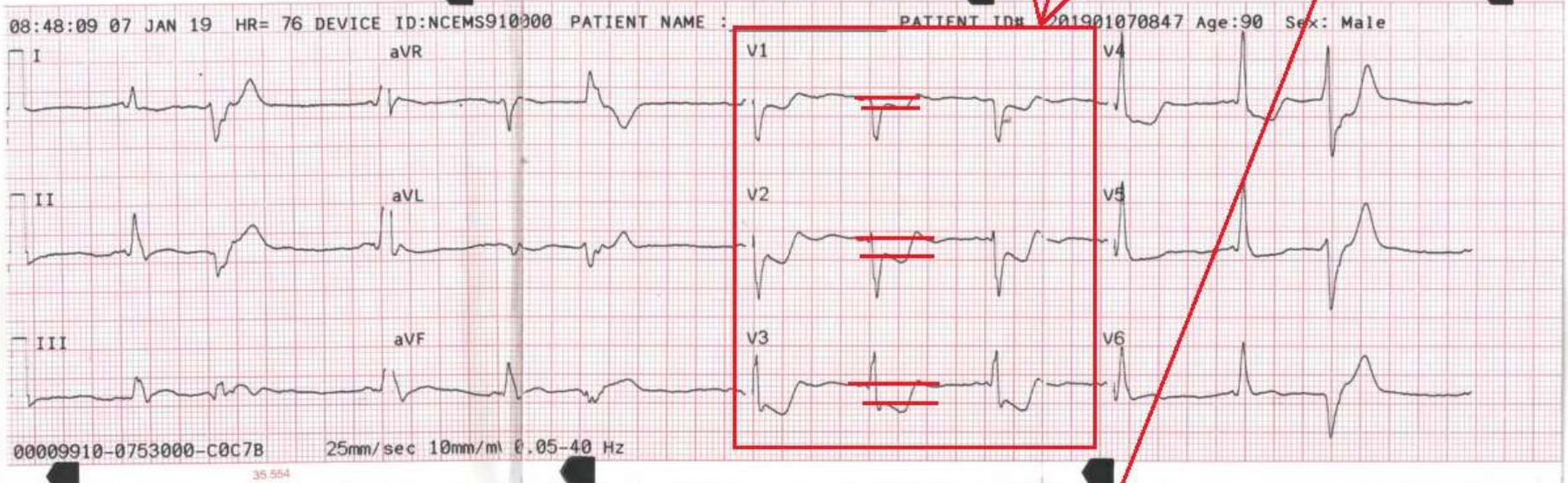


“NOWHERE”, NEW MEXICO, 1994

# Case Study- January 2019

- 79 y/o female complaining of “L arm pain, and minimal chest pain”
- EMS 12 Lead ECGs show ST Depression in Anterior Leads V1-V4. There is NO ST Elevation.....

**Two EMS 12 Lead ECGs: none show ST Elevation, but both show significant ST depression in Anterior Leads V1-V3.**



# Initial Exam in ED

- Upon arrival in ED, 12 Lead ECG confirmed EMS findings: ST Depression in Leads V1-V4.

Pat ID [REDACTED]

01/07/2019 09:19:35  
[REDACTED] 79 yrs

[REDACTED]  
Caucasian Female  
Account # [REDACTED]

Bayfront Health Seven Rivers ED  
Dept ED  
Room ED01  
Tech gp

RX  
DX

Rate 153 Atrial fibrillation with rapid V-rate  
PR Nonspecific intraventricular conduction delay  
QRSd 117 NO PREVIOUS ECG AVAILABLE FOR COMPARISON  
QT 260  
QTc 415

Req Provider:

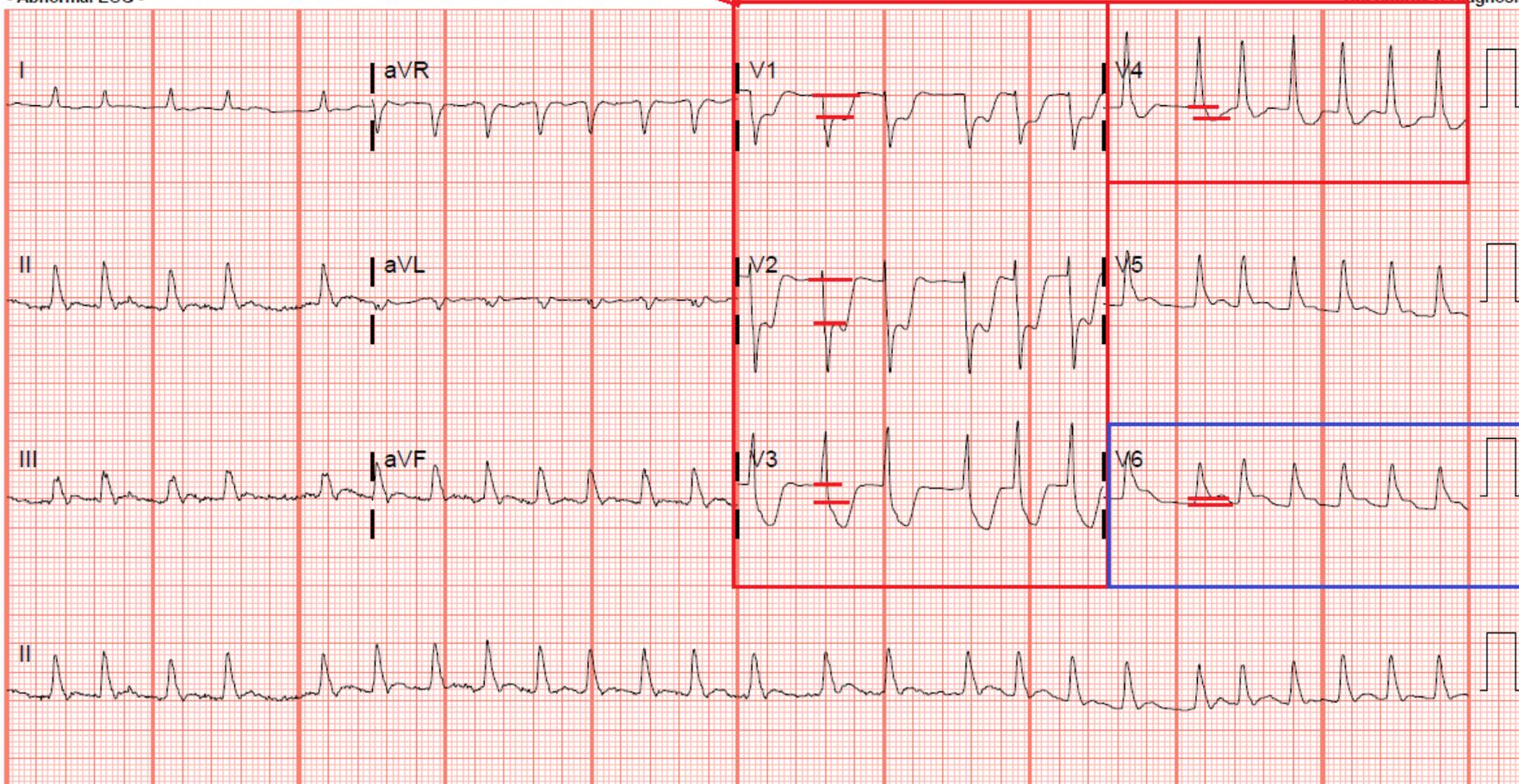
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P  
QRS 73  
T 78

**ST Depression Leads V1 - V4**

**Minimal ST Elevation in Lead V6.  
(Does not meet STEMI Criteria)**

- Abnormal ECG -

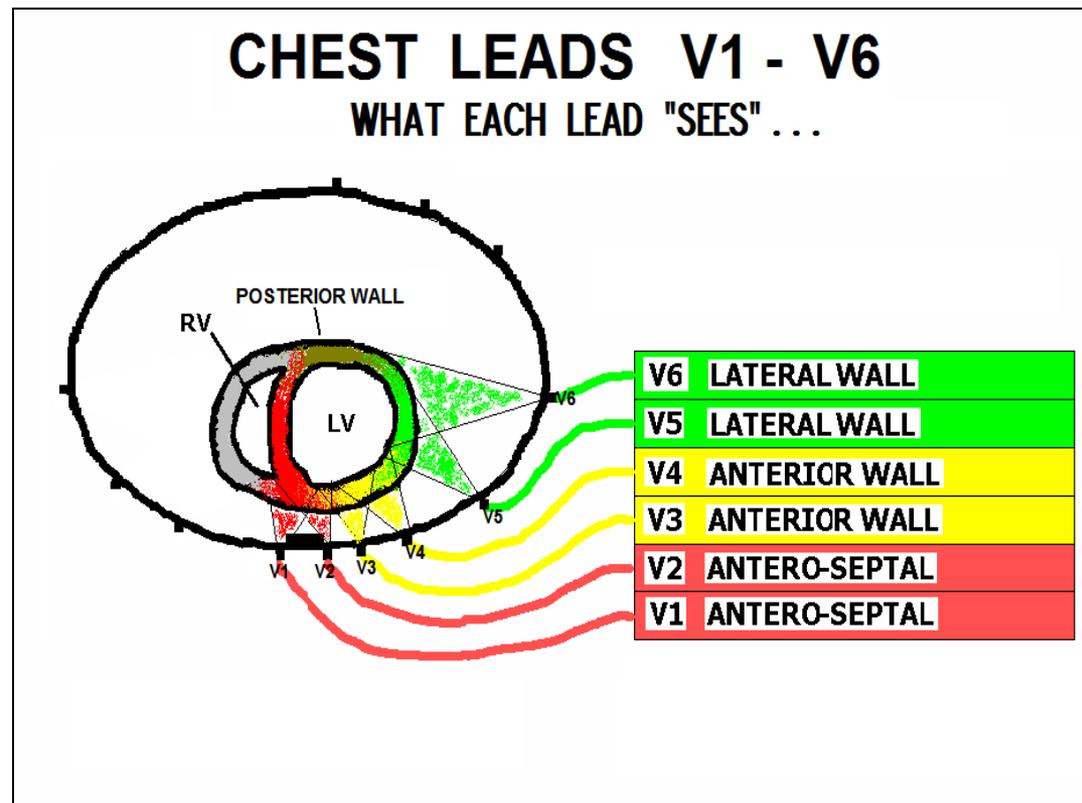


# Causes of ST Depression V1-V4

- Anterior Wall ischemia
- Anterior Wall NSTEMI (partial wall thickness myocardial infarction)
- **Posterior Wall STEMI**

# Posterior Wall STEMI....

- **Does not show ST elevation on standard 12 lead ECG** because NONE of the 12 leads view the Posterior Wall directly....

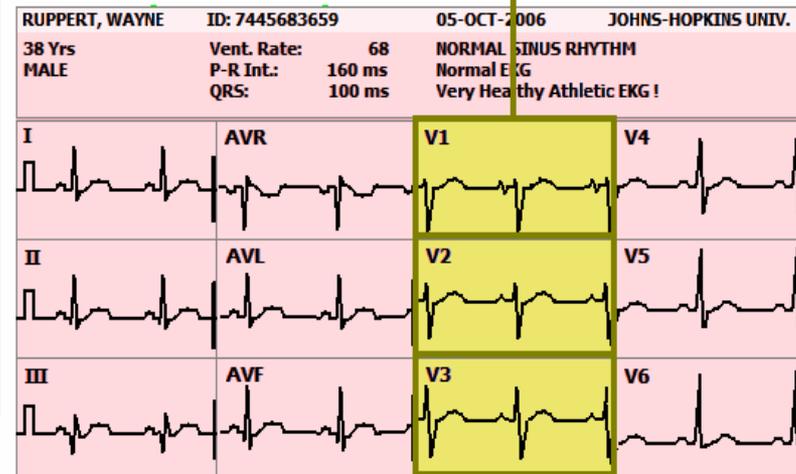
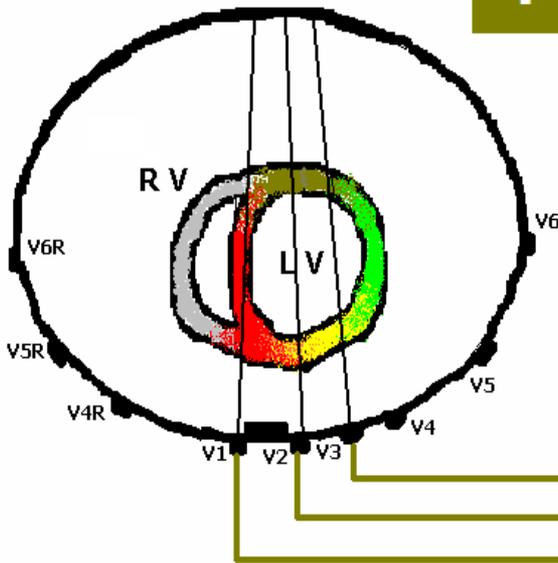


# Posterior Wall STEMI....

- Often shows NO ST Elevation on the standard 12 Lead ECG.
- Will show up on standard 12 Lead ECG as “ST Depression” (Reciprocal) in Leads V1-V3 (sometimes V4-V6, too).

# V1-V3 see the Posterior Wall ONLY through RECIPROCAL changes (ST Depression)

**LEADS V1 - V3 view the  
POSTERIOR WALL**

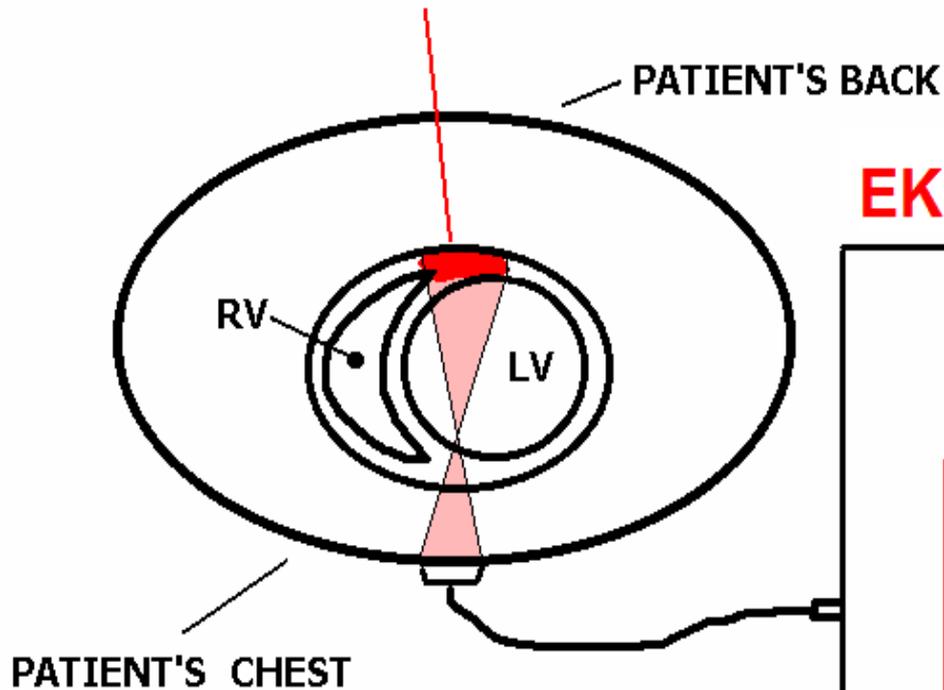


**via RECIPROCAL CHANGES.**

# HOW EKG VIEWS RECIPROCAL CHANGES

**EXAMPLE:**

**AREA OF ACUTE INFARCTION - POSTERIOR WALL**



**EKG sees S-T DEPRESSION**

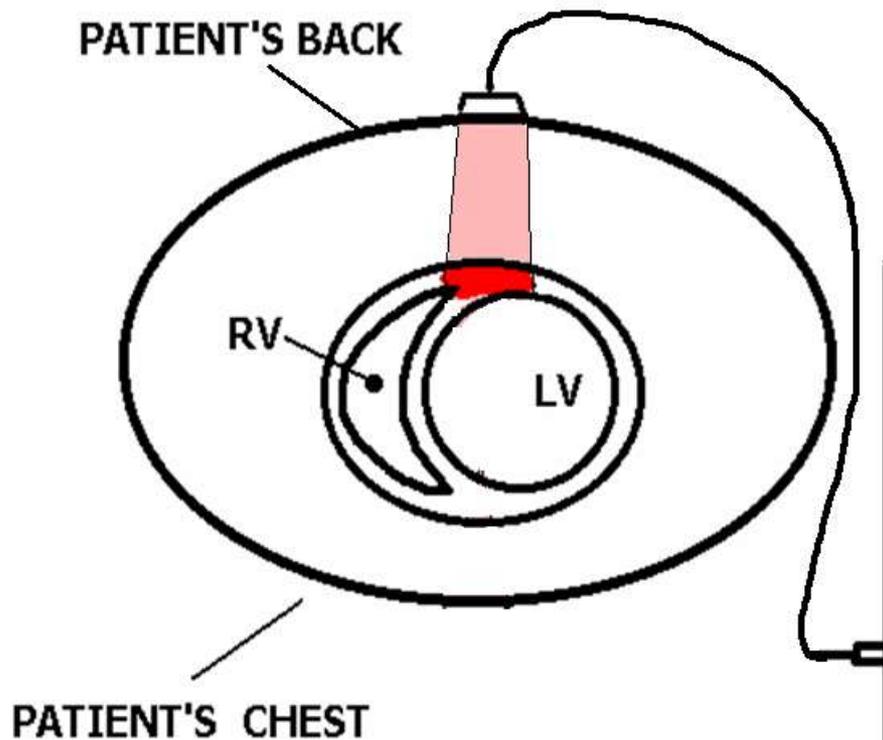
ECG LEAD V2



# Posterior Wall STEMI....

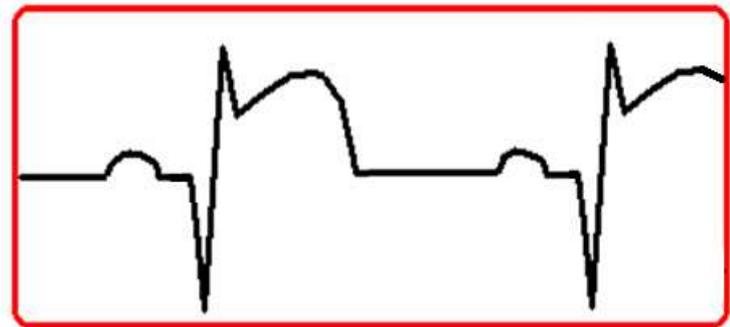
- To see **ST Elevation** from a Posterior Wall STEMI, *you must place ECG leads **on the patient's back...***

# If we put ECG leads on the BACK of a PATIENT who is having an **ACUTE POSTERIOR WALL MI . . . . .**



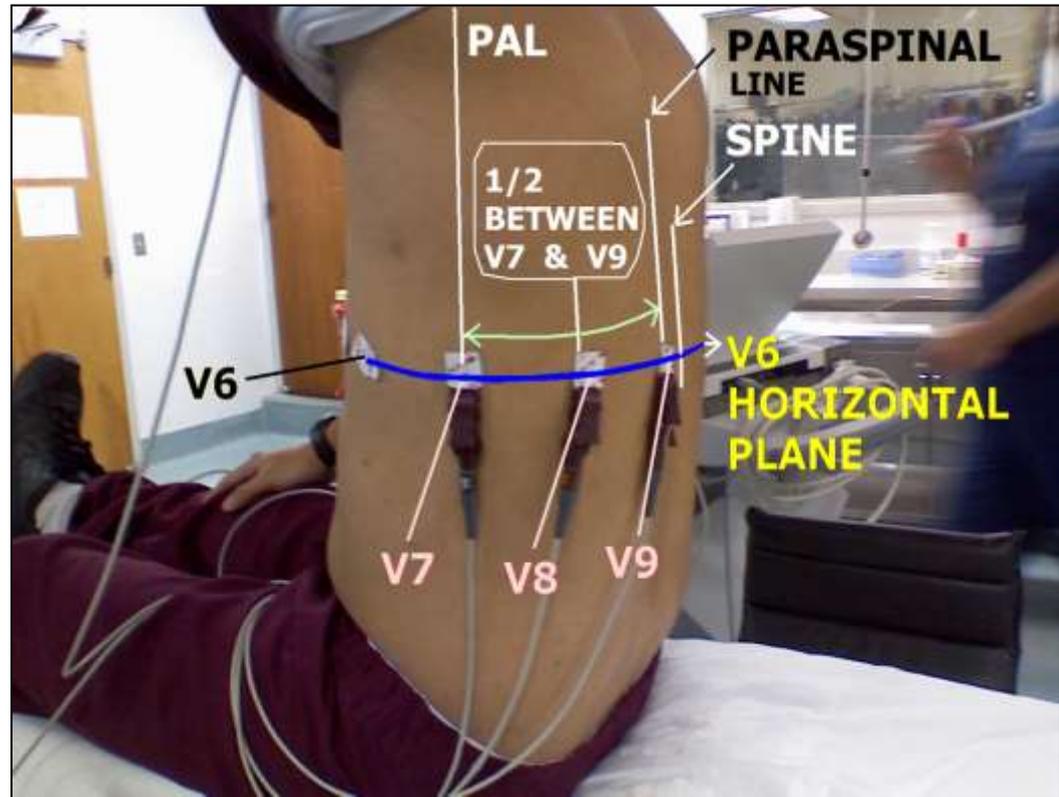
**EKG sees S-T ELEVATION**

ECG LEADS: V7, V8 or V9



# Continued Exam in the ED....

- Upon noting ST Depression in Anterior Leads V1-V4, ED Paramedic Gary Polizzi place three leads on the patient's back. Gary used the lead wires for V4, V5 and V6, with placement as shown here:
- The “Posterior Lead ECG” is seen on the next slide.....



# Posterior STEMI Criteria:

- ST Elevation of 0.5mm (0.5mv) or more in Leads V7, V8 and/or V9

# Posterior STEMI Criteria:

- ST Elevation of \_\_\_mm (0.5mv) or more in Leads V7, V8 and/or V9

Pat ID [REDACTED]

01/07/2019 09:23:29

[REDACTED] 79 yrs

Caucasian Female

Account [REDACTED]

Bayfront Health Seven Rivers ED

Dept EDHD

Room EDH

Tech gp

Req Provider: ONIER VILLARREAL

Rate	133	Atrial fibrillation
PR		<del>Anterolateral infarct, acute</del>
QRSd	114	Prolonged QT interval
QT	337	COMPARED TO ECG 01/07/2019 09:21:04
QTc	502	PROLONGED QT INTERVAL NOW PRESENT

--Axis--

**\*\* Posterior Infarct - Acute \*\***

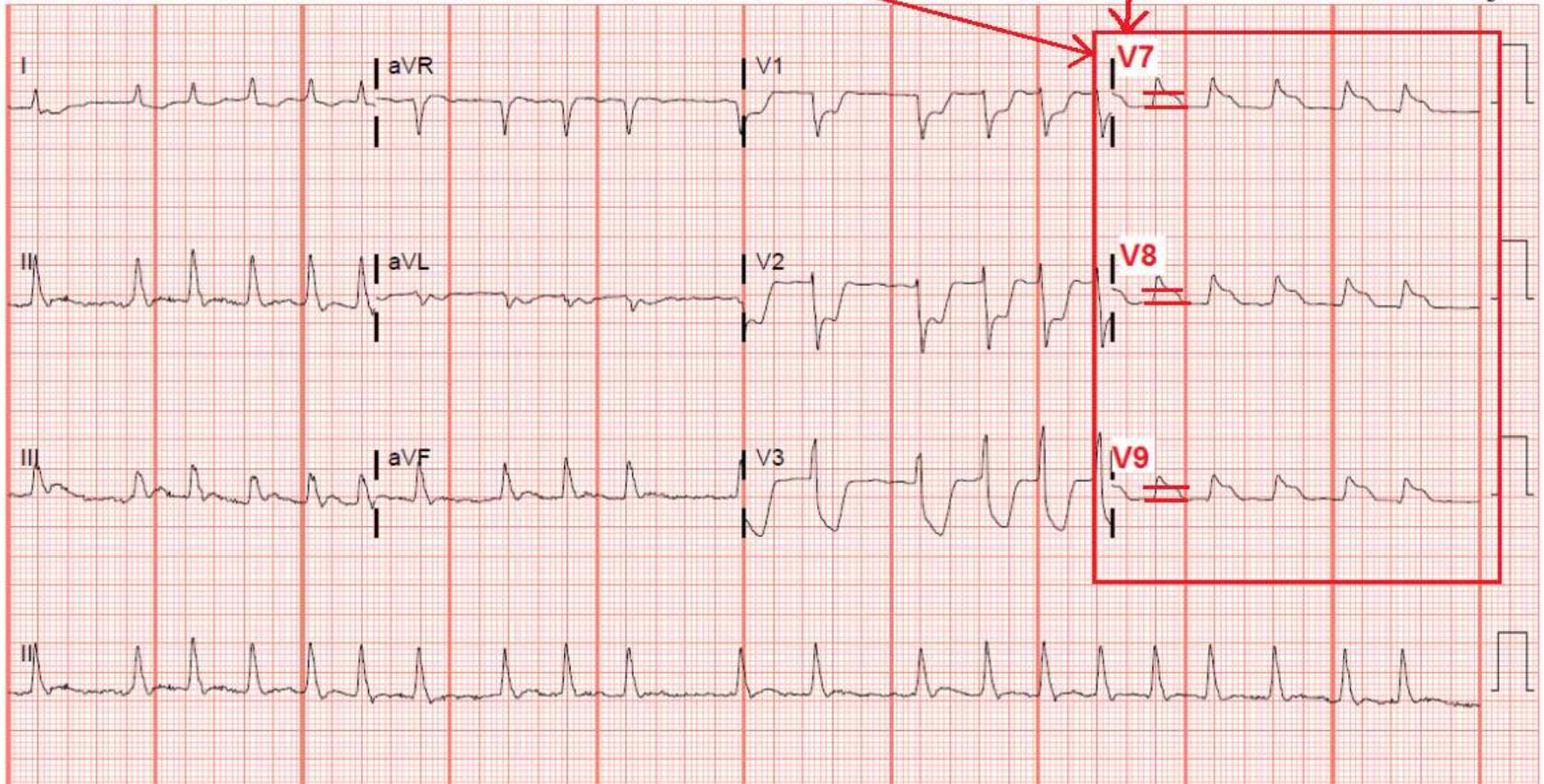
P	
QRS	77
T	121

**ACUTE POSTERIOR WALL STEMI**

**Chest leads V4-V6 repositioned to patient's back (Posterior Leads V7, V8 and V9) reveal ST Segment Elevation. Patient diagnosis changes from "possible NSTEMI" to "Acute STEMI."**

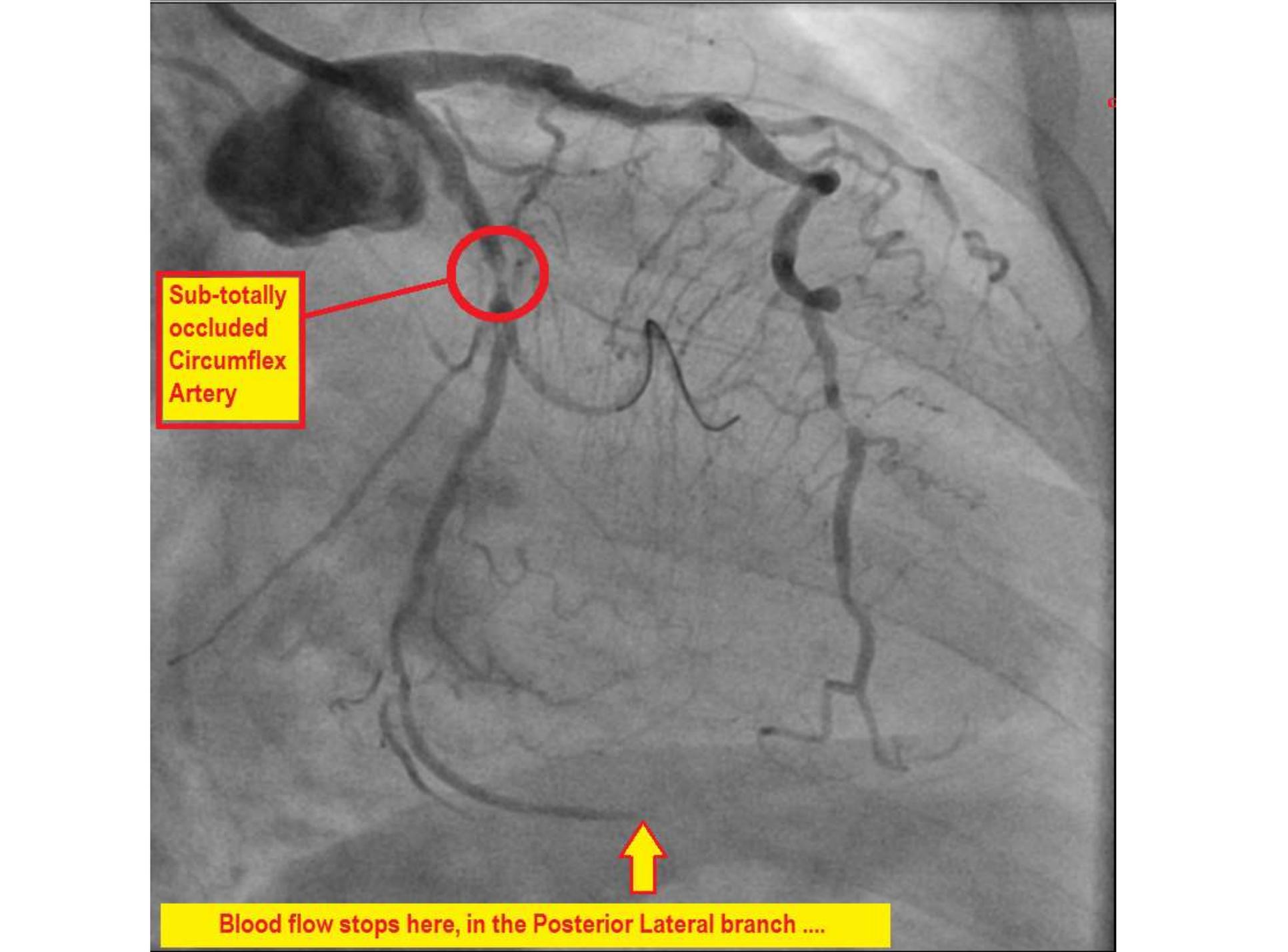
- Abnormal ECG -

Unconfirmed Diagnosis



# STEMI Alert !

Upon seeing “Significant ST Elevation in TWO or more CONTIGUOUS LEADS, the ED physician diagnosed “Posterior Wall STEMI,” a STEMI Alert was issued, and the patient was taken immediately to the cardiac cath lab, where the following images were obtained.....

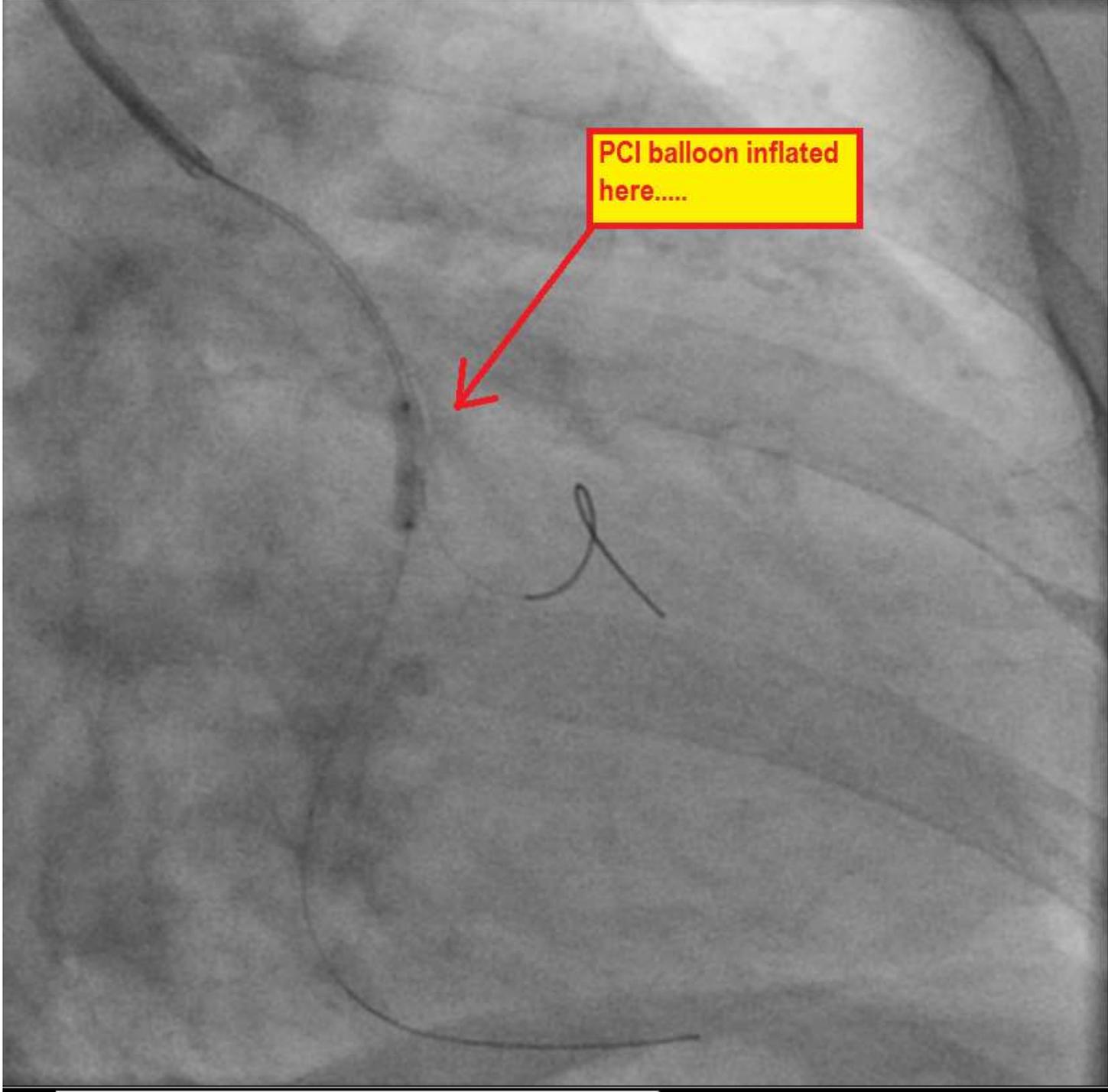


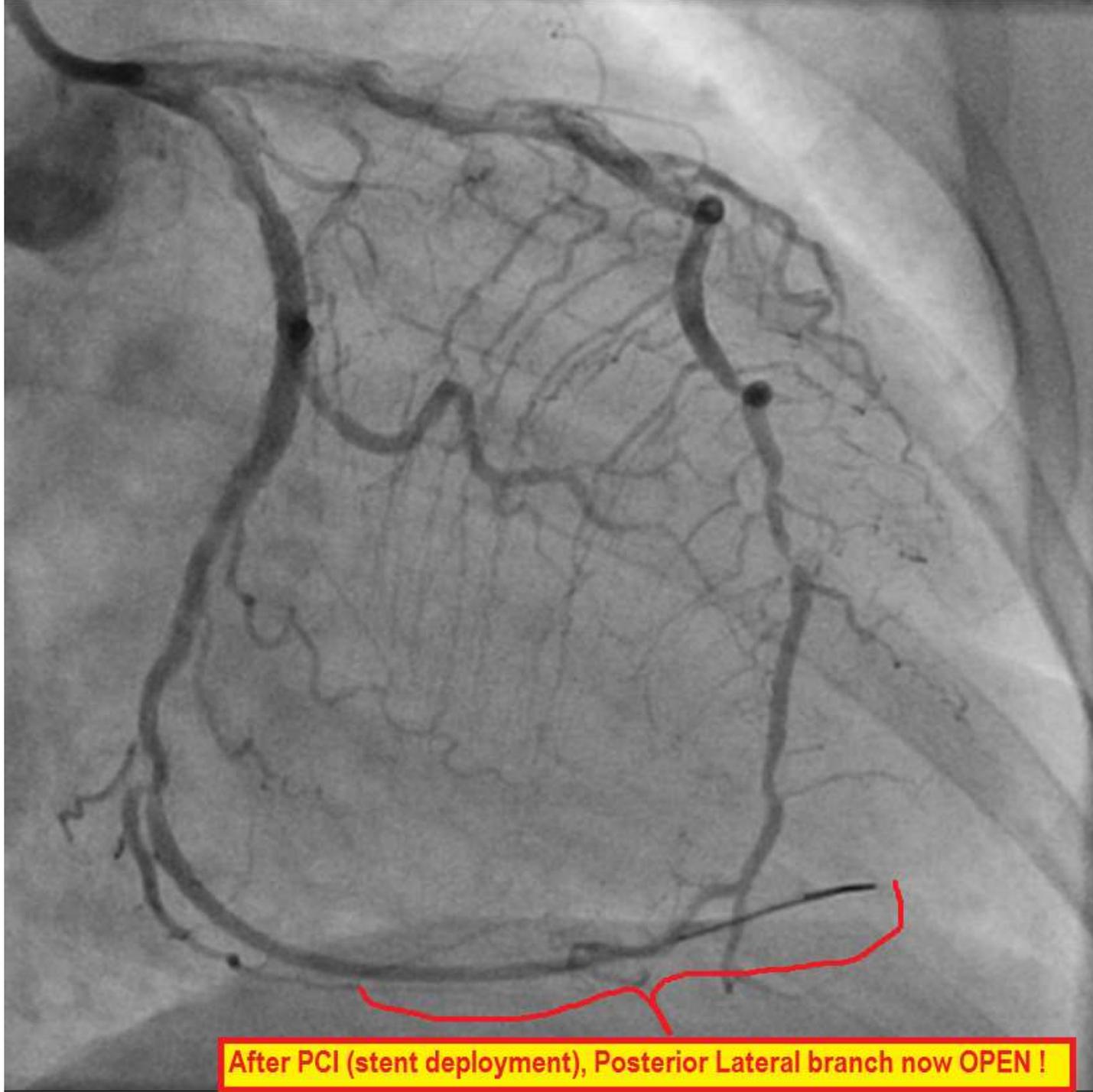
Sub-totally  
occluded  
Circumflex  
Artery

This is a grayscale coronary angiogram showing the heart's arterial system. A red circle highlights a narrowing in the Circumflex Artery. A yellow arrow points to a blockage in the Posterior Lateral branch. The rest of the coronary tree shows various branching patterns.

Blood flow stops here, in the Posterior Lateral branch ....

PCI balloon inflated here.....





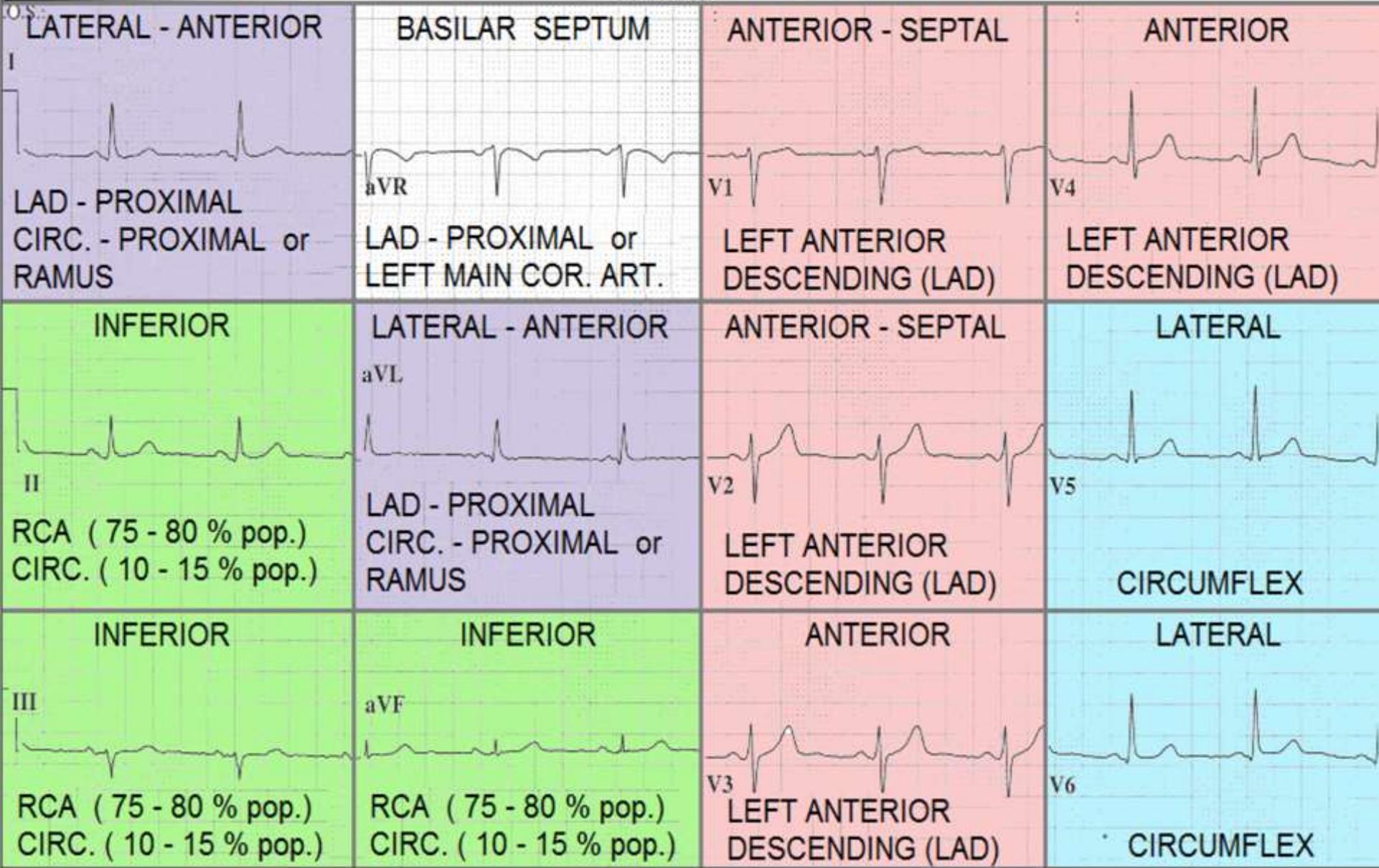
**After PCI (stent deployment), Posterior Lateral branch now OPEN !**

# SUMMARY

- Whenever ST Depression is noted in Anterior Leads (V1-V4), it could indicate that Acute Posterior Wall STEMI is present.
- To rule-out Posterior Wall STEMI, a “posterior lead ECG” (V7 – V9) must be obtained.
- In THIS CASE, **Posterior Wall STEMI** was diagnosed via Posterior Lead ECG.
- **STEMI Alert was issued, with a Door-to-PCI time of 53 minutes.**

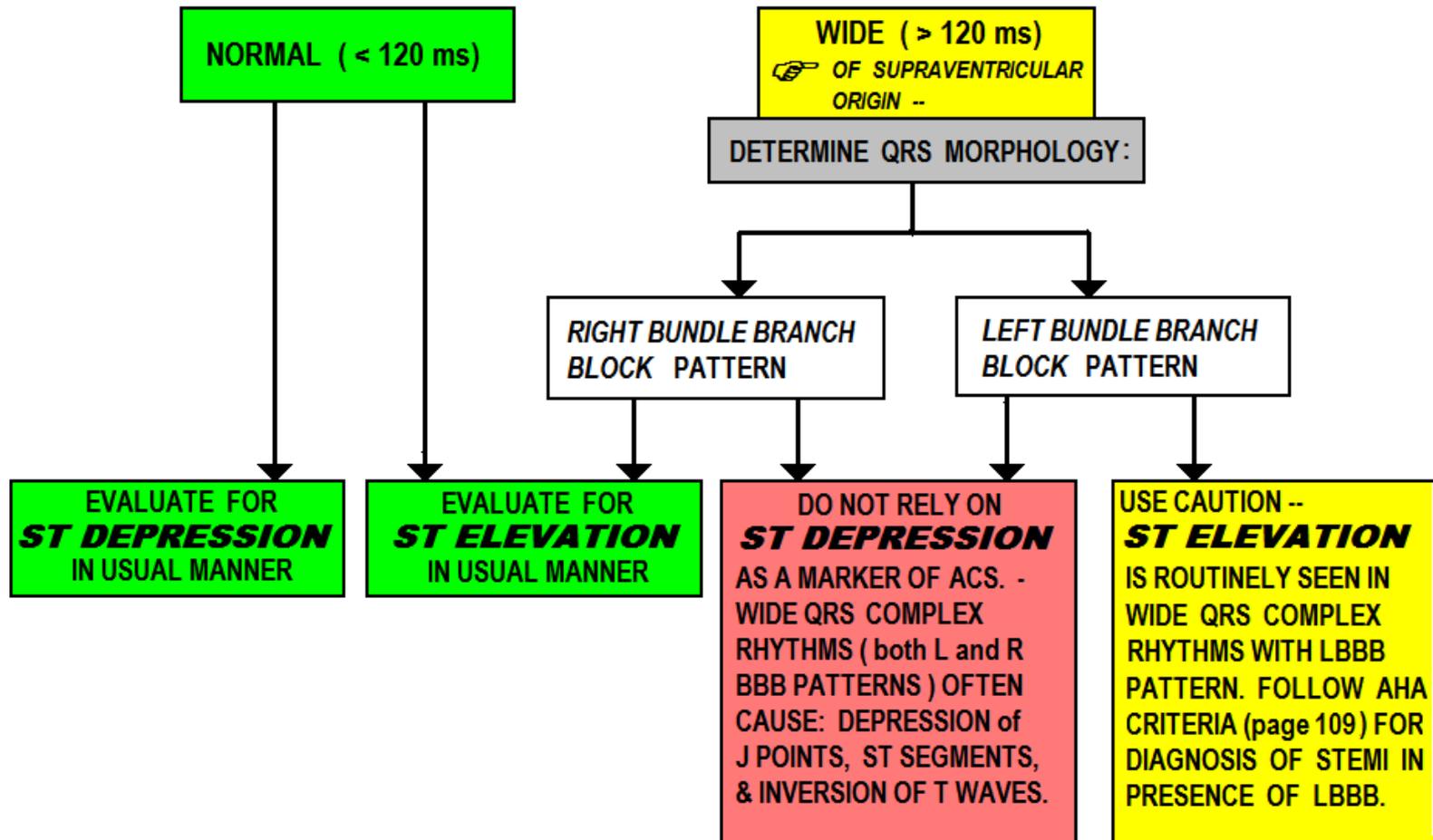
Vent. rate 64 BPM Normal sinus rhythm  
 PR interval 130 ms Normal ECG  
 QRS duration 96 ms No previous ECGs available  
 QT/QTc 396/408 ms  
 P-R-T axes 40 11 61

Referred by:



# Evaluating the ECG for ACS:

## STEP 1 - EVALUATE WIDTH OF QRS:



**Wide QRS present:  
QRSd > 120ms**

- **Determine RIGHT vs. LEFT Bundle Branch Block Pattern**

# Simple "Turn Signal Method" . . .

## THE "TURN SIGNAL METHOD" for identifying BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK

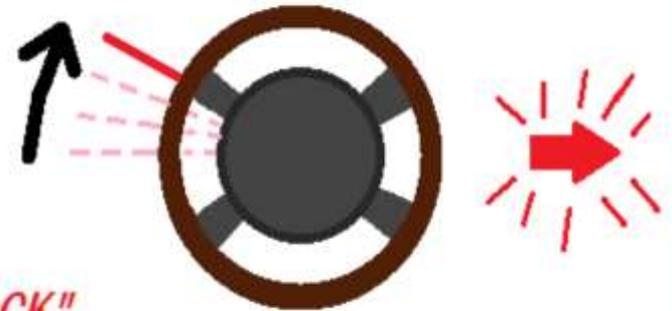
V1

USE LEAD V1 for this technique

To make a **RIGHT TURN**  
you push the turn signal lever **UP** . . . . .

THINK:

"QRS points UP = RIGHT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK"

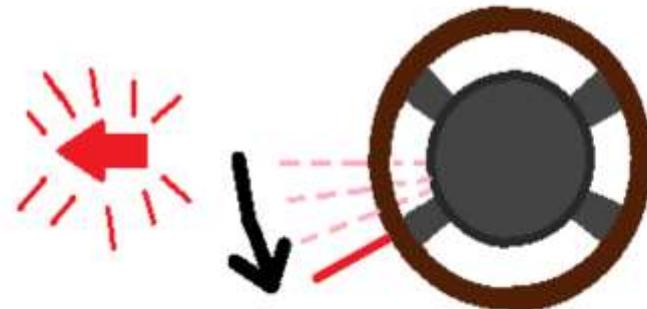


V1

To make a **LEFT TURN**  
you push the turn signal lever **DOWN** . . . . .

THINK:

"QRS points DOWN = LEFT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK"



# “Terminal Phase of QRS Method”...

## DIAGNOSING BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK

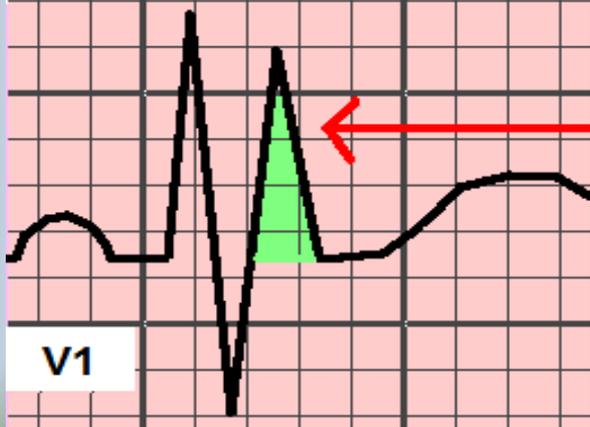
### L.B.B.B.



### USING LEAD V1

- QRS WIDER THAN 120 ms
- BEAT IS SUPRAVENTRICULAR IN ORIGIN
- TERMINAL PHASE OF QRS COMPLEX (LAST DEFLECTION)

### R.B.B.B.



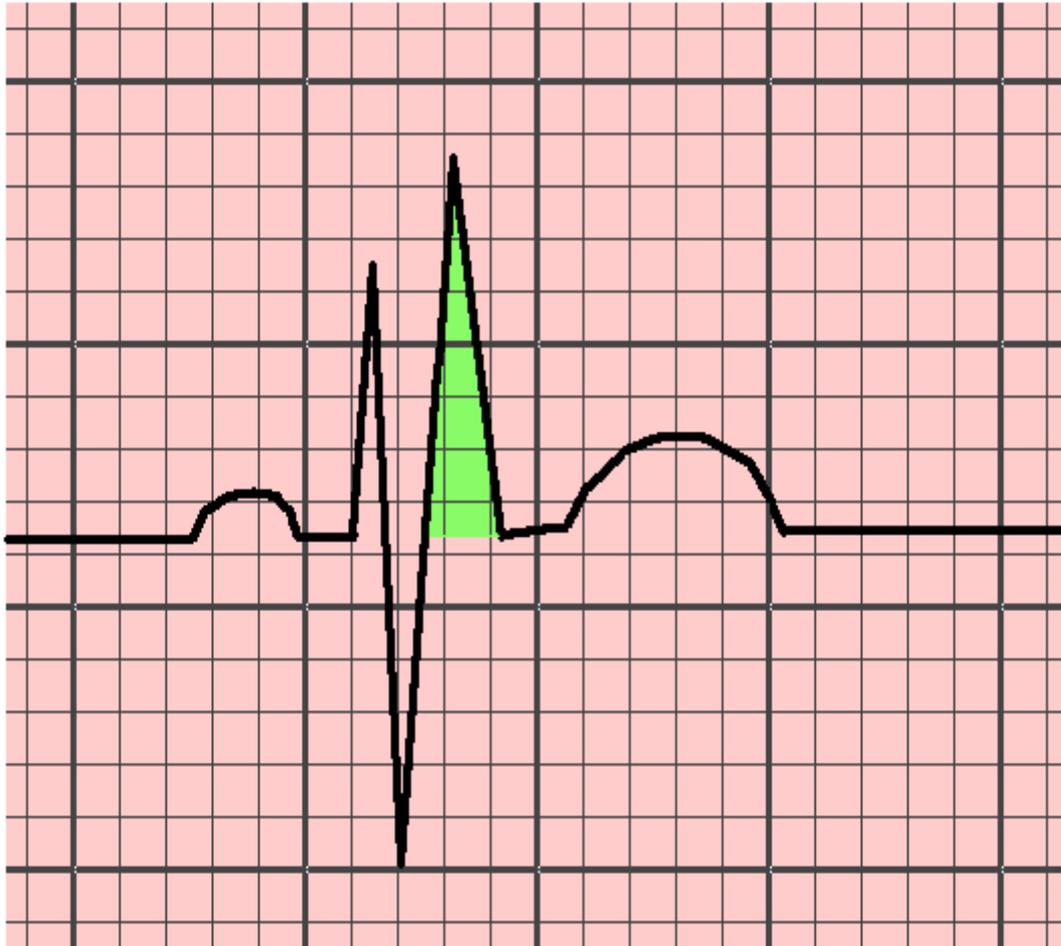
- NEGATIVE = LEFT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK
- POSITIVE = RIGHT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK

## DIAGNOSING LBBB IN LEAD V1:



- QRS GREATER THAN 120 ms (.12)
- EVIDENCE THAT THIS IS NOT VENTRICULAR BEAT
- TERMINAL PHASE (LAST PART) OF QRS COMPLEX IS NEGATIVE DEFLECTION
- S-T SEGMENTS ARE NORMALLY ALWAYS ELEVATED !

## DIAGNOSING RBBB IN LEAD V1:



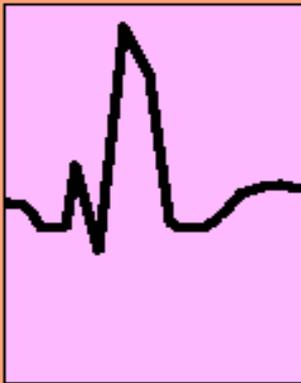
- **WIDER THAN 120 ms (.12)**  
**(or 3 little boxes)**
- **TERMINAL PHASE (LAST PART) OF QRS COMPLEX IS POSITIVE DEFLECTION**

# DIAGNOSING BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK

USING LEADS V1, V2, and V5, V6:

LOCATING RsR' or RR' COMPLEXES:

V1



V2



**RIGHT BUNDLE  
BRANCH BLOCK**

V5



V6



**LEFT BUNDLE  
BRANCH BLOCK**

74years  
Male Caucasian  
Room:  
Loc: 0 Opt:

Vent. rate 72 bpm  
PR interval 186 ms  
QRS duration 166 ms  
QT/QTc 436/477 ms  
P-R-T axes 57 -32 32

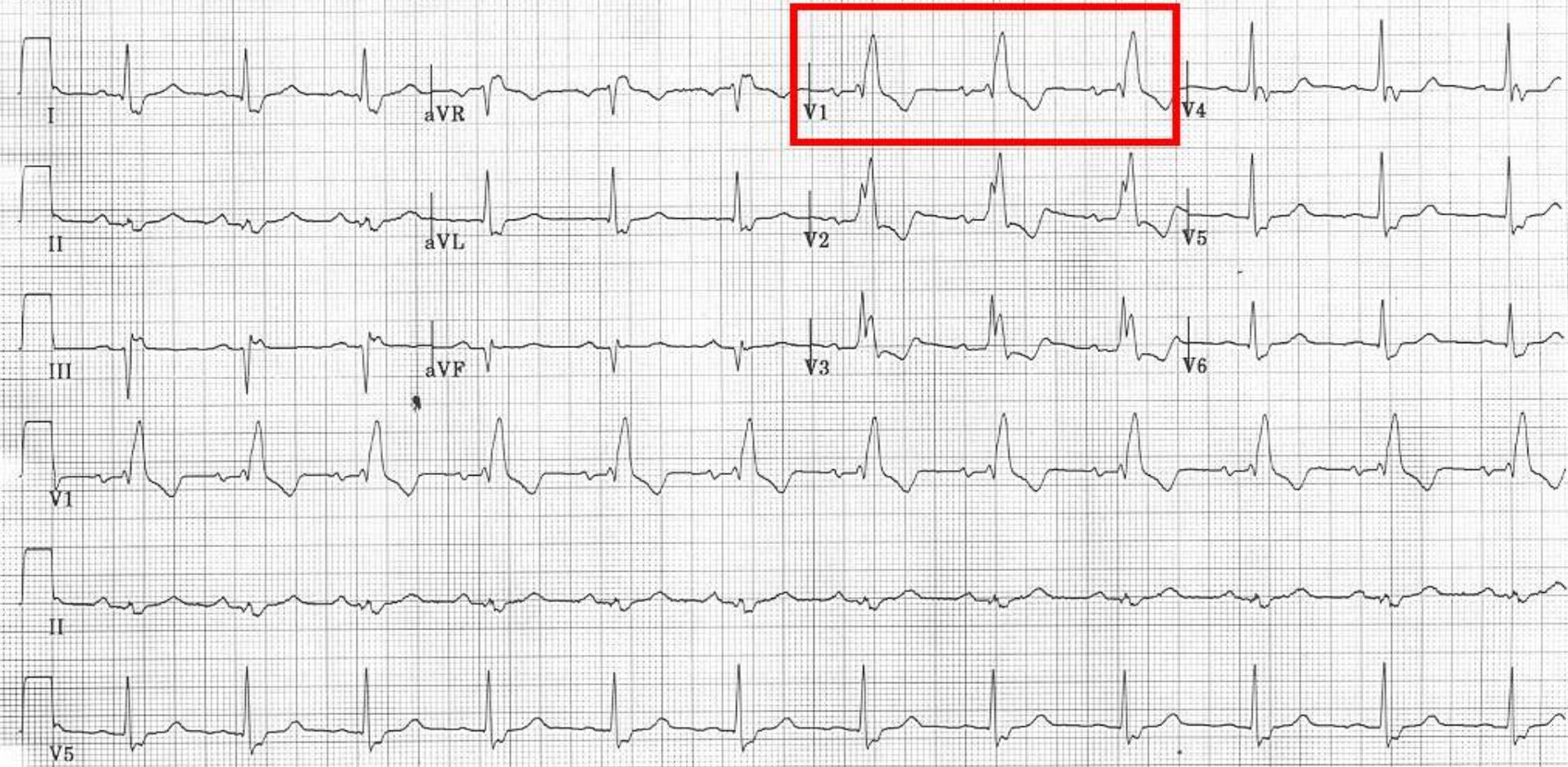
Normal sinus rhythm  
Left axis deviation  
Right bundle branch block  
Inferior infarct, age undetermined  
Abnormal ECG

Technician: WR

Referred by:

Unconfirmed

D.O.S.:



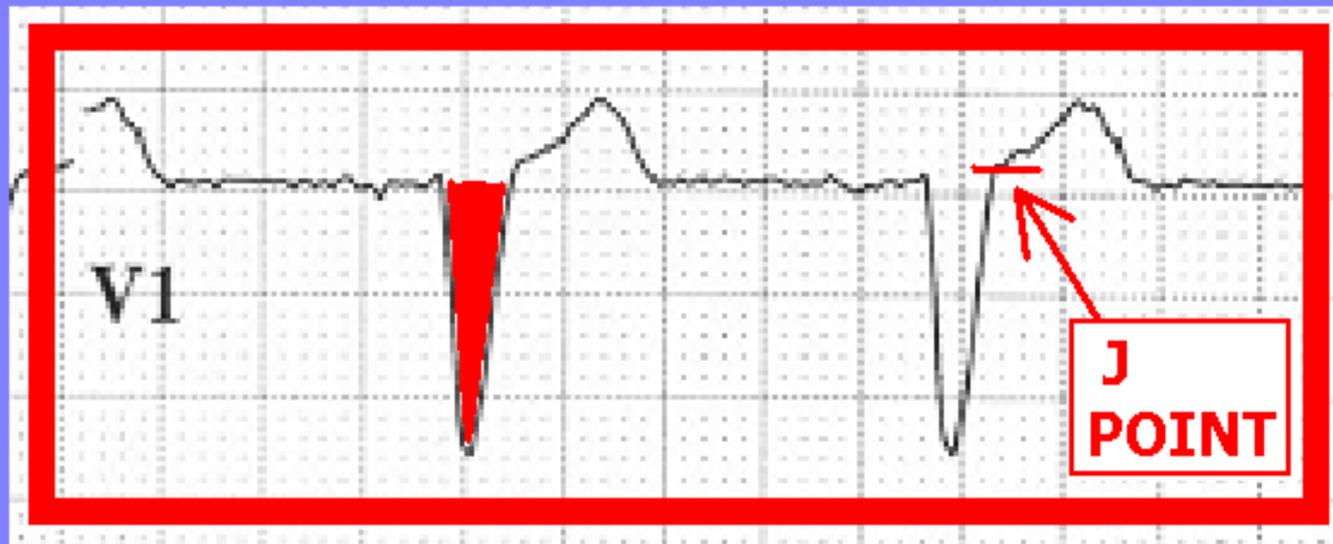
**TERMINAL PHASE OF QRS IS**  
**POSITIVE**



**= RIGHT BUNDLE  
BRANCH BLOCK**



**TERMINAL PHASE OF QRS IS  
NEGATIVE**



**= LEFT BUNDLE  
BRANCH BLOCK**

# **Wide QRS present: (QRSd > 120ms)**

- **When RIGHT Bundle Branch Block pattern is present:**
  - **Precordial Leads typically demonstrate ST Depression and T wave Inversion**

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Male	Caucasian	PR interval	186 ms	Left axis deviation
		QRS duration	166 ms	Right bundle branch block
Room:		QT/QTc	436/477 ms	Inferior infarct, age undetermined
Loc: 0	Opt:	P-R-T axes	57 -32 32	Abnormal ECG

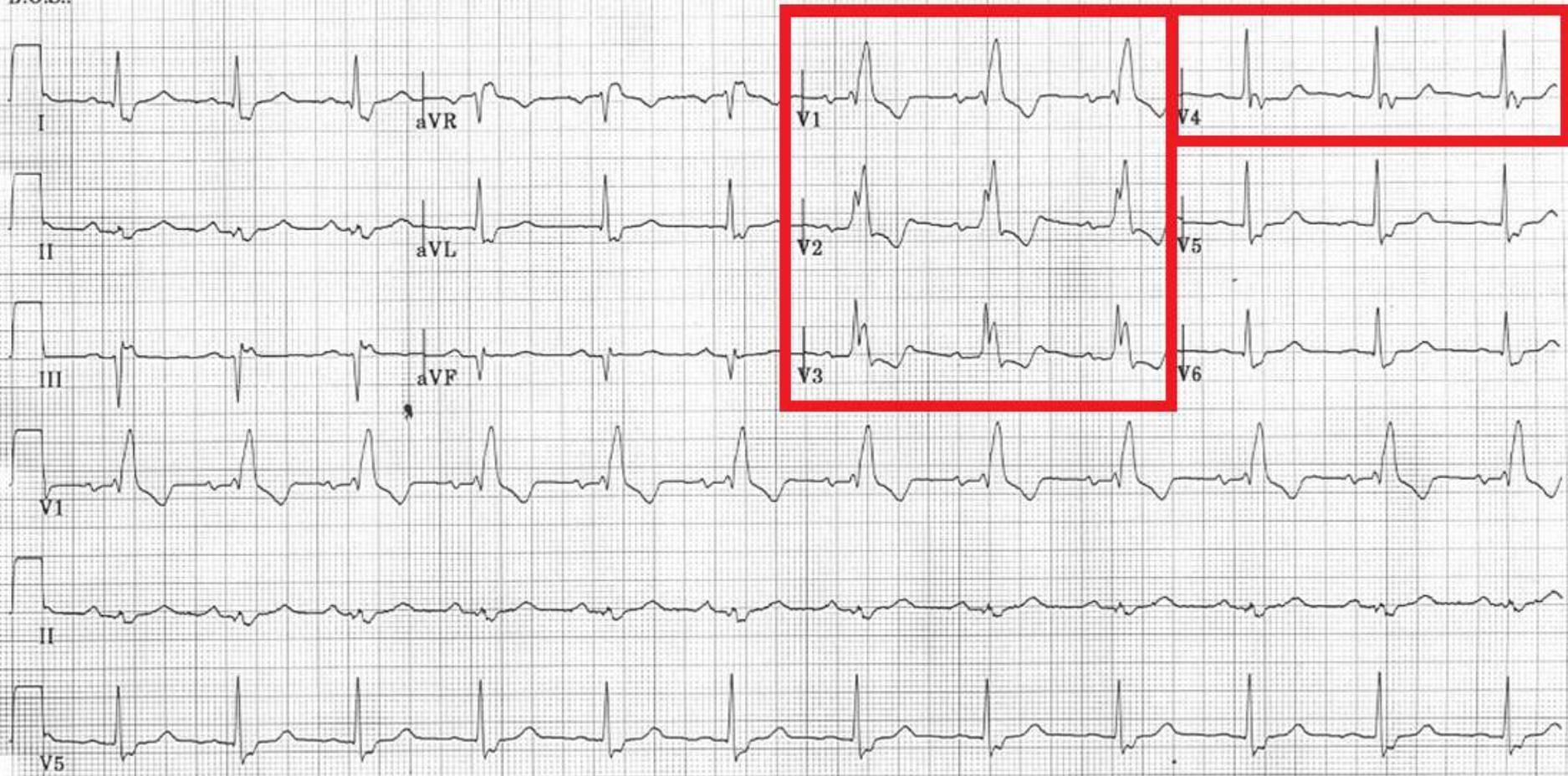
**RBBB causes ST Depression, T Wave Inversion, ANTERIOR Leads (V1 - V4).**

Technician: WR

Referred by:

Unconfirmed

D.O.S.:



# Wide QRS present: (QRSd > 120ms)

- **When RIGHT Bundle Branch Block pattern is present:**
  - Precordial Leads typically demonstrate ST Depression and T wave Inversion
  - **DOES NOT MASK STEMI; *when ST Elevation is noted, CONSIDER STEMI !!***

**RBBB with CHEST PAIN - CASE 1: ST ELEVATION IN LEADS V1 - V4**

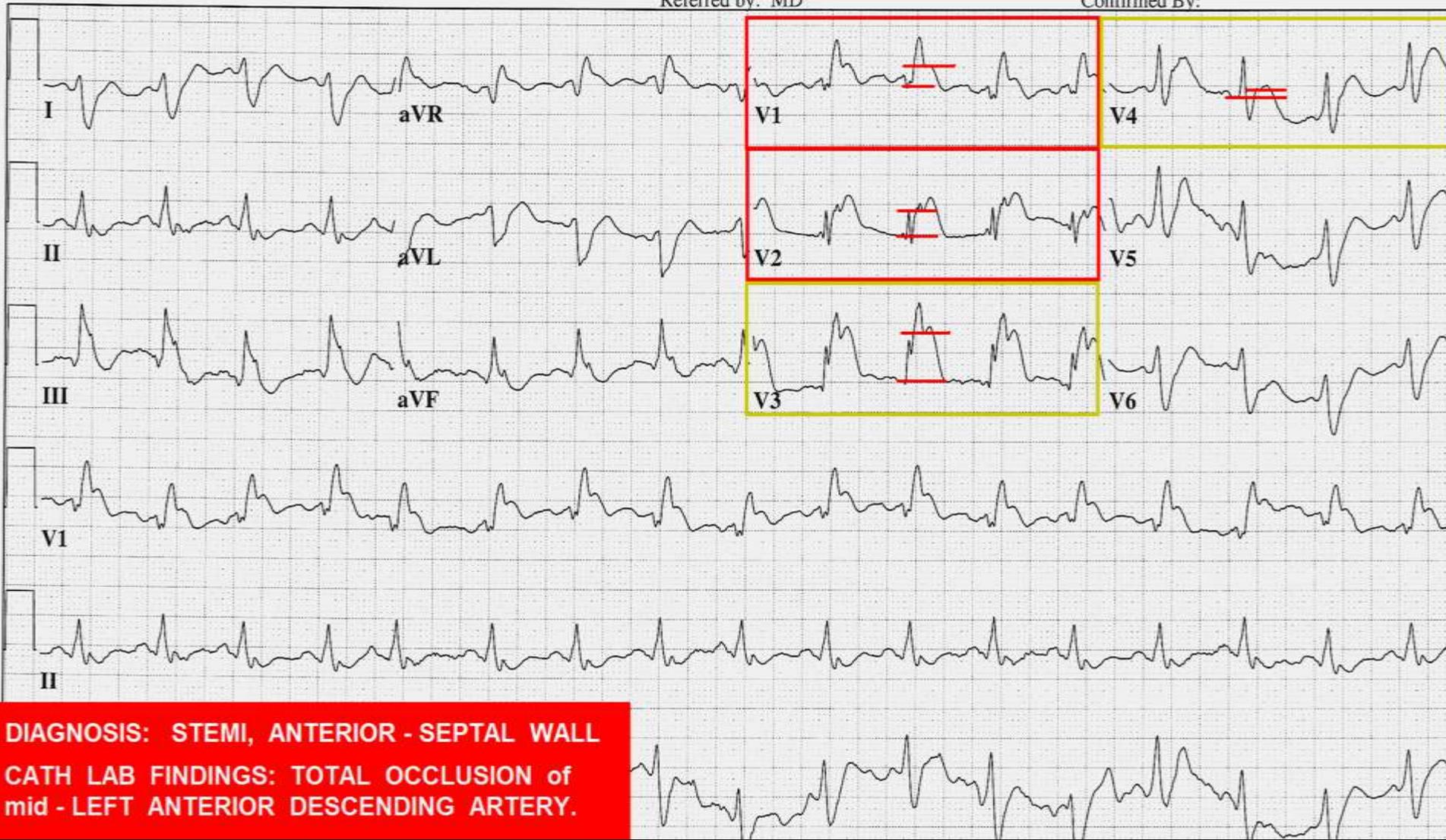
48 yr  
Male Caucasian  
Room:ATL  
Loc:3 Option:23  
Vent. rate 102 BPM  
PR interval 130 ms  
QRS duration 168 ms  
QT/QTc 400/521 ms  
P-R-T axes 60 114 -19

Sinus tachycardia with Premature supraventricular complexes and Fusion complexes  
**Right bundle branch block**  
ST elevation consider anterior injury or acute infarct  
\*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*  
Abnormal ECG ...

Technician: W Ruppert

Referred by: MD

Confirmed By:



**DIAGNOSIS: STEMI, ANTERIOR - SEPTAL WALL**  
**CATH LAB FINDINGS: TOTAL OCCLUSION of mid - LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY.**

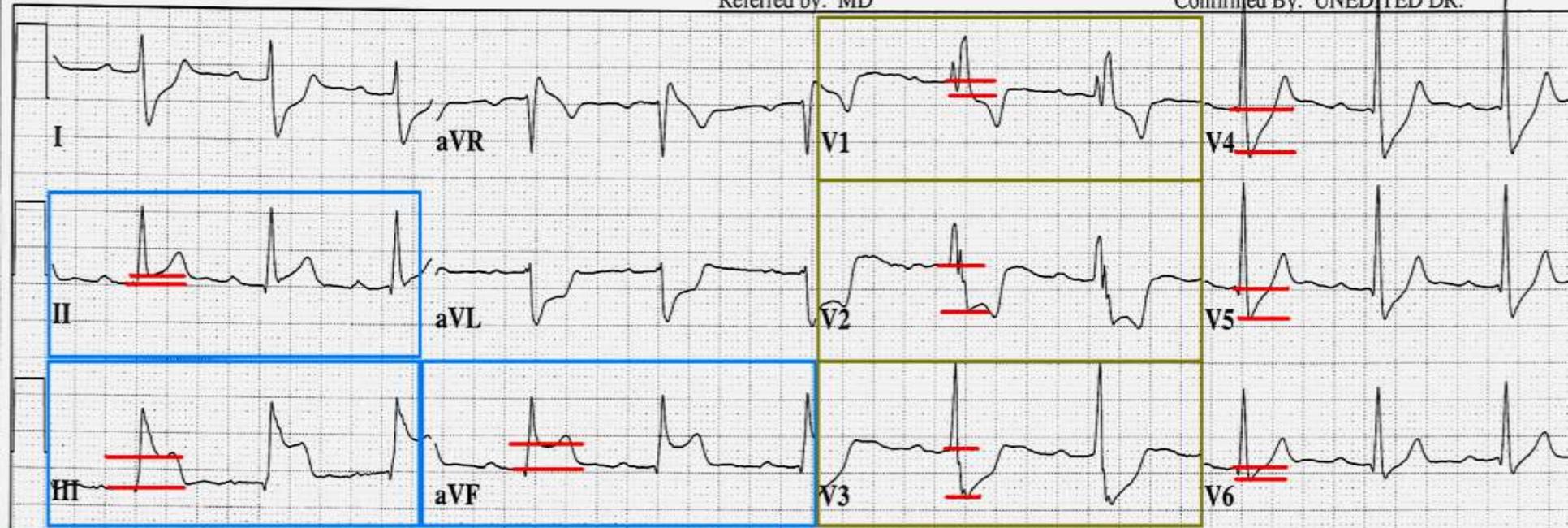
**RBBB with CHEST PAIN - CASE 2: ST ELEVATION LEADS II, III, aVF - WITH RECIPROCAL ST DEPRESSION in LEADS V1 - V6**

25 yr Male Caucasian  
Loc:3 Option:23  
Vent. rate 67 BPM  
PR interval 258 ms  
QRS duration 136 ms  
QT/QTc 398/420 ms  
P-R-T axes 44 94 82

Sinus rhythm with 1st degree A-V block  
**Right bundle branch block**  
ST elevation consider inferior injury or acute infarct  
\*\*\*\*\* ACUTE MI \*\*\*\*\*  
Abnormal ECG

Referred by: MD

Confirmed By: UNEDITED DR.



**DIAGNOSIS: STEMI - INFERIOR-POSTERIOR WALL**  
**CATH LAB FINDINGS: TOTAL OCCLUSION of DOMINANT RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY**



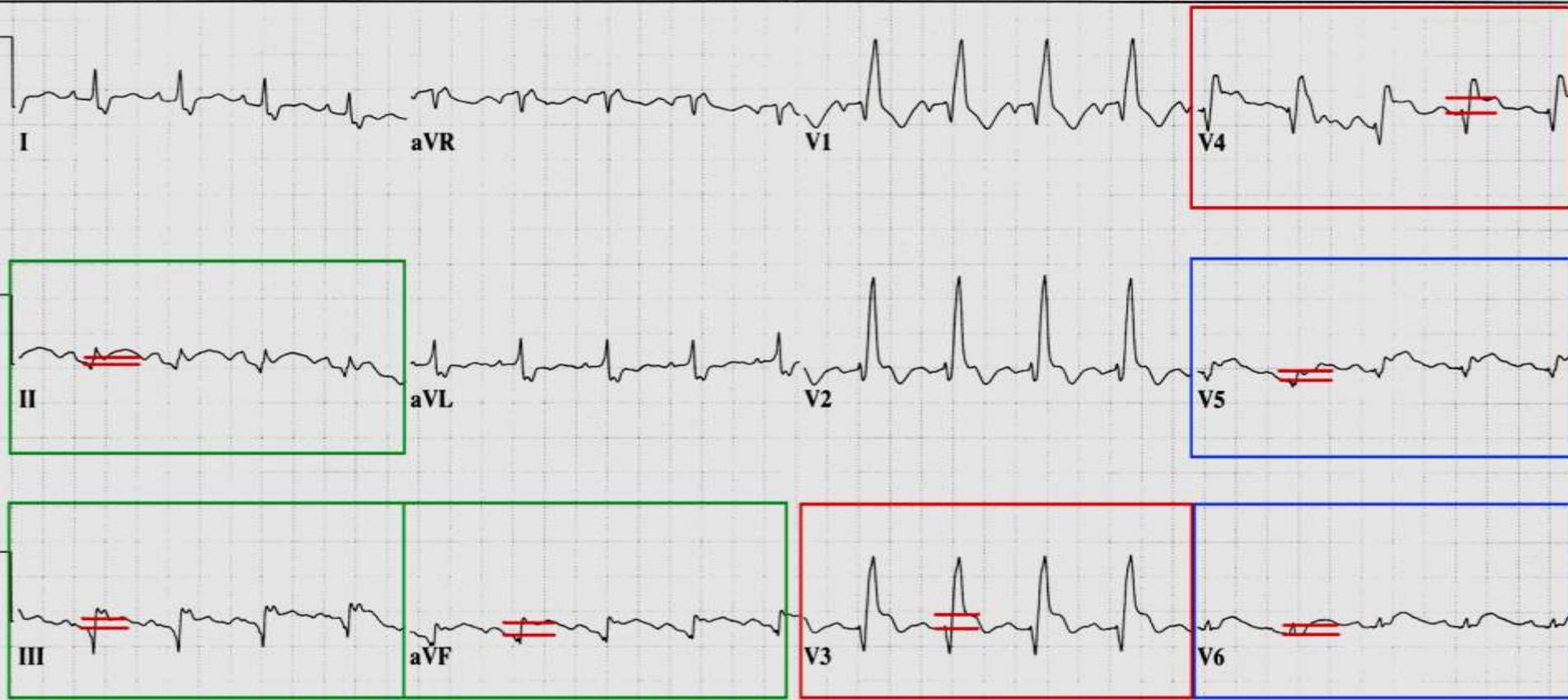
# RBBB with CHEST PAIN - CASE 3: ST ELEVATION V3 - V6, II, III, aVF

75 yr  
Male Caucasian  
Room:CS-19  
Loc:6 Option:41

Vent. rate 110 BPM  
PR interval 170 ms  
QRS duration 148 ms  
QT/QTc 366/495 ms  
P-R-T axes 57 19 69

Sinus tachycardia  
Right bundle branch block  
Lateral infarct, possibly acute  
Inferior infarct, possibly acute  
Anterior injury pattern  
Abnormal ECG

ACUTE LATERAL - INFERIOR - ANTERIOR AMI  
CATH LAB FINDINGS: OCCLUDED VEIN GRAFT TO THE CIRCUMFLEX DISTRIBUTION (DOMINANT CIRCUMFLEX)



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(QRSd > 120ms)

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- **When LBBB QRS pattern is present:**
  - ST-Segment Elevation is typically noted in Precordial Leads
  - *Can cause up to 5mm of J Point Elevation in normally calibrated ECG (1mm=10mv)*
  - *Does NOT typically cause ST elevation in INFERIOR Leads (II, III and AVF).*

78 yr  
Female Black  
Room:ICU5  
Loc:6 Option:19

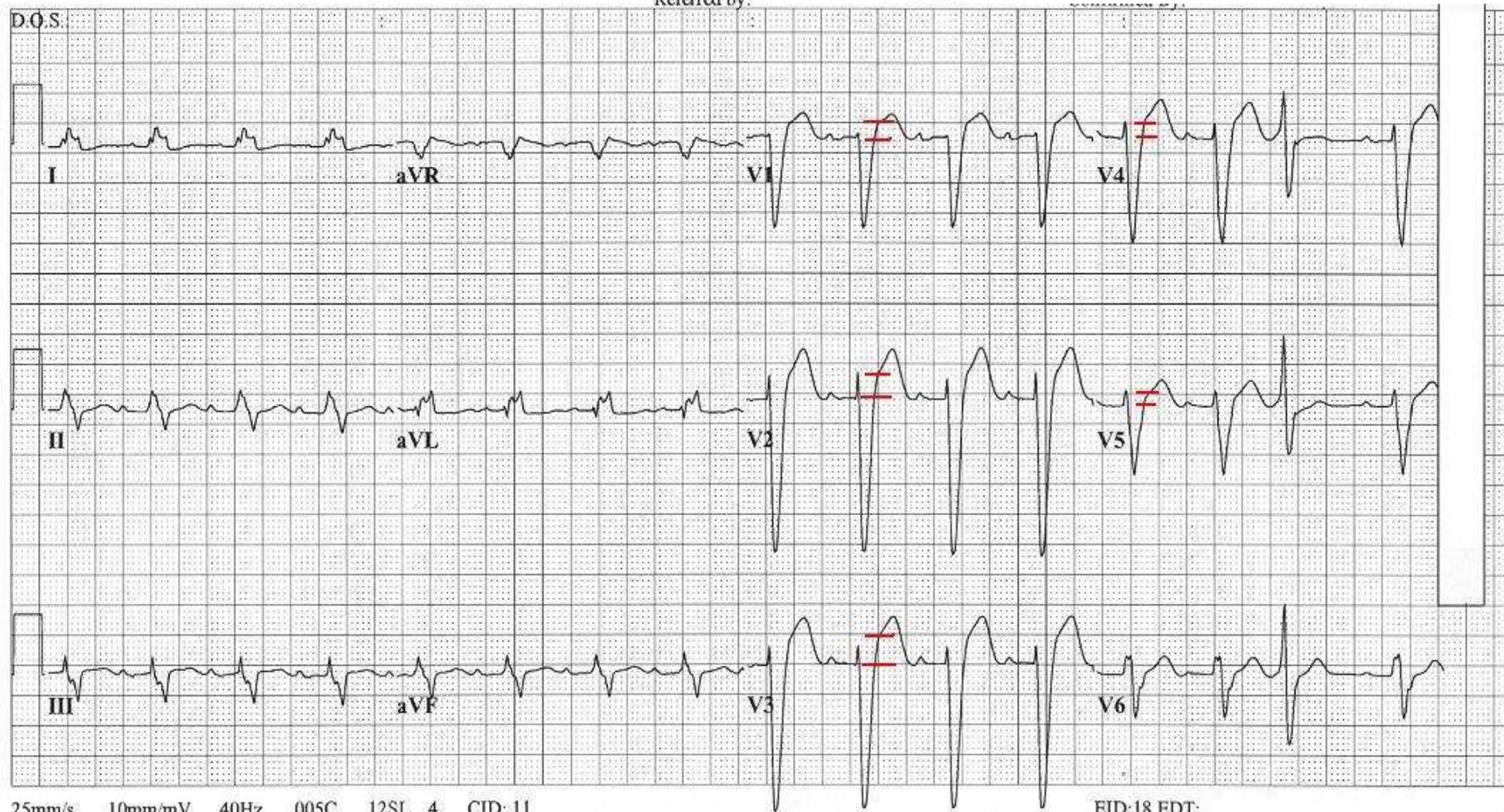
Vent. rate	94	BPM
PR interval	202	ms
QRS duration	160	ms
QT/QTc	388/485	ms
P-R-T axes	91 -23 87	

Normal sinus rhythm with occasional Premature ventricular complexes  
**Left bundle branch block**  
Abnormal ECG

- Normal arteries
- Normal LV Function
- No hypertrophy

Technician: EKG CLASS #WR03602718

Referred by:



# Diagnosis of STEMI with LBBB pattern:

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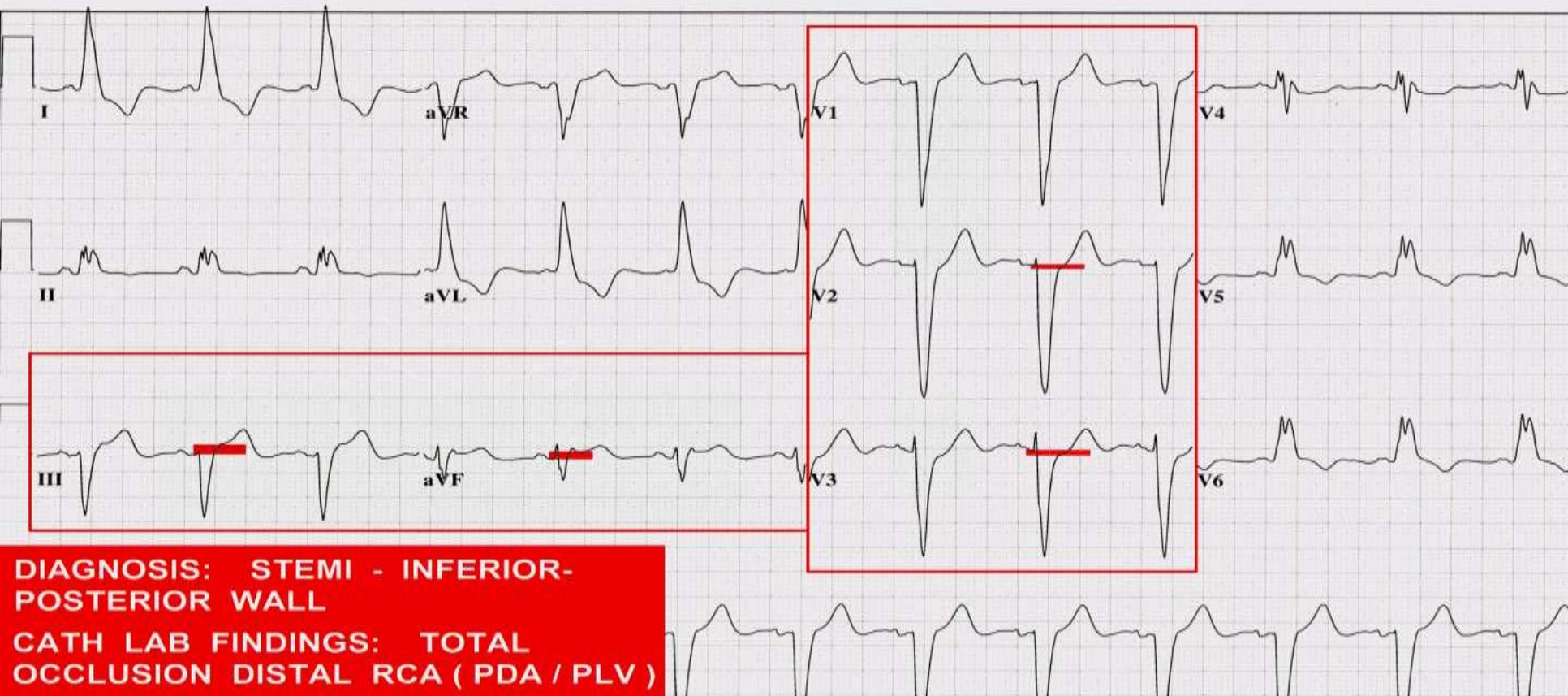
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- *ST Segment Changes as compared with those of older ECGs with LBBB*

# LBBB with CHEST PAIN - CASE 1 : PRESENTING EKG

58 yr  
Female Hispanic  
Room: ER  
Loc:3 Option:23

Vent. rate 77 BPM  
PR interval 128 ms  
QRS duration 158 ms  
QT/QTc 454/513 ms  
P-R-T axes 43 -11 150

Normal sinus rhythm  
Left bundle branch block  
Abnormal ECG



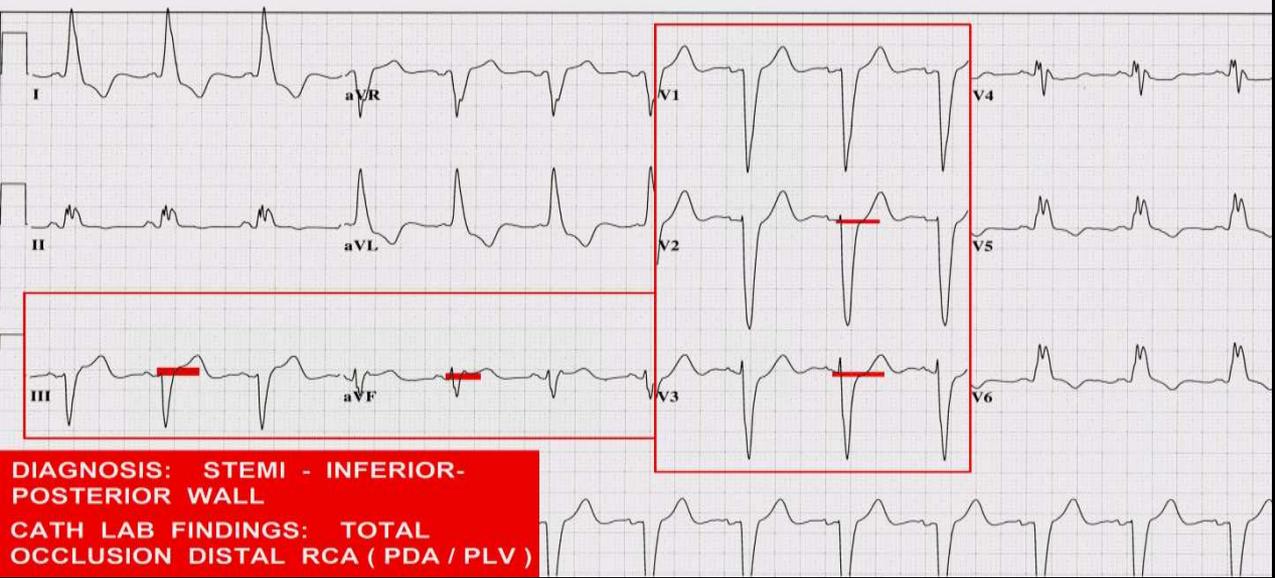
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**CATH LAB FINDINGS: TOTAL OCCLUSION DISTAL RCA ( PDA / PLV )**

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58 yr Female Hispanic  
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 Option:23

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 QRS duration 158 ms  
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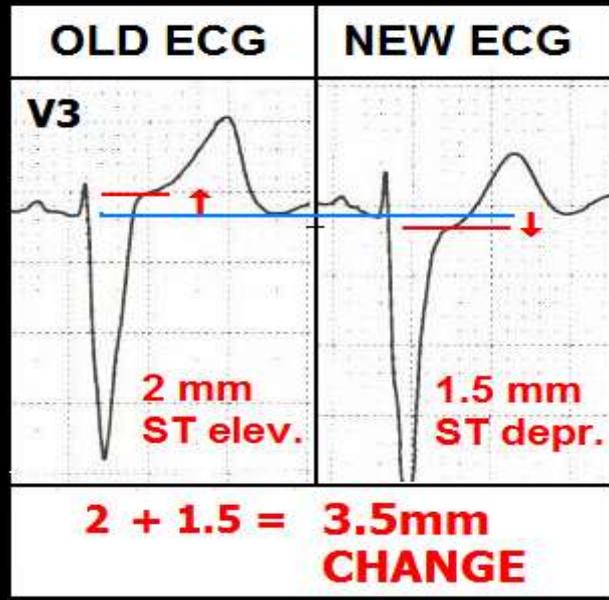
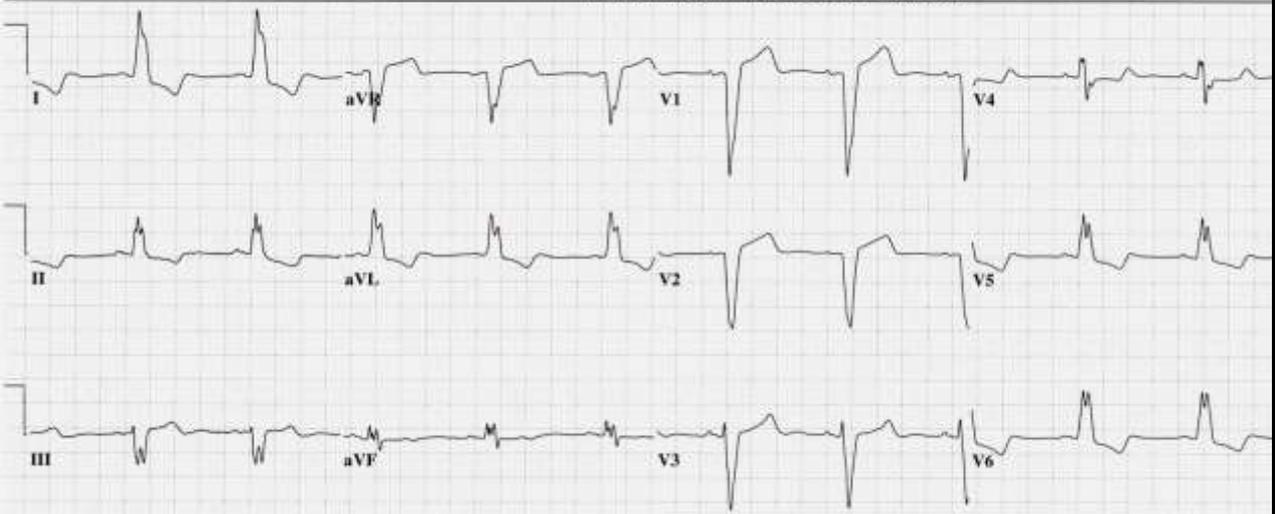
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**LBBB with CHEST PAIN - CASE 1 : EKG RECORDED 7 MONTHS AGO**

57 yr Female Hispanic  
 Room: 416B Loc:6  
 Option:39

Vent. rate 63 BPM  
 PR interval 140 ms  
 QRS duration 142 ms  
 QT/QTc 462/472 ms  
 P-R-T axes 48 10 191

\*\*\* AGE AND GENDER SPECIFIC ECG ANALYSIS \*\*\*  
 Normal sinus rhythm  
 Left bundle branch block  
 Abnormal ECG  
 When compared with ECG of 22-JAN-2005 11:15.



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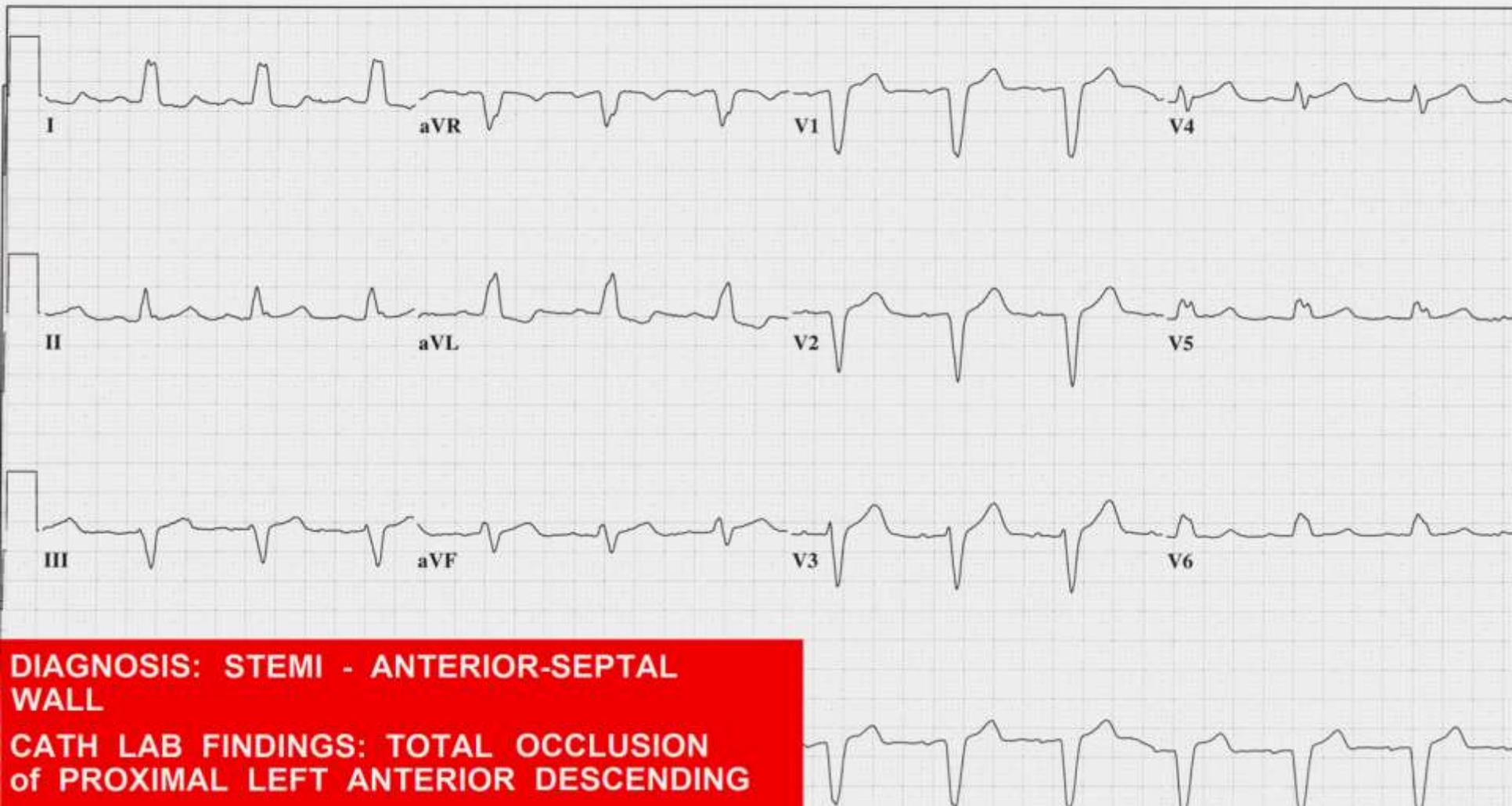
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- *New Onset LBBB with ACS symptoms . . .*

# LBBB with CHEST PAIN - CASE 2 : NEW ONSET of LBBB

46 yr  
Male Caucasian  
Room:ER  
Loc:3 Option:23

Vent. rate 77 BPM  
PR interval 172 ms  
QRS duration 142 ms  
QT/QTc 446/504 ms  
P-R-T axes 38 0 92

Normal sinus rhythm  
Left bundle branch block  
Abnormal ECG



## A.H.A. ACLS GUIDELINES

1. If patient has a **CONFIRMED HISTORY** of LBBB, rely on:
  - **CARDIAC MARKERS**
  - **SYMPTOMS**
  - **RISK FACTOR PROFILE**
  - **HIGH INDEX OF SUSPICION**

**for diagnosis of STEMI**

2. If patient has:
  - a) **previously NORMAL ECGs (no LBBB)**  
**-- or --**
  - b) **no old ECGs available for comparison**

**consider diagnosis as STEMI until proven otherwise.**



## **HELPFUL INDICATORS FOR ECG DIAGNOSIS OF STEMI in the presence of LBBB:**

- ST ELEVATION  $>$  5 mm
- COMPARE J POINT, ST SEGMENTS and T WAVES of previous ECG with LBBB to NEW ECG.
- CONVEX ST SEGMENT = poss. MI  
CONCAVE ST SEGMENT = normal
- CONCORDANT ST changes ( 1 mm or  $>$  ST DEPRESSION V1 - V3 or ST ELEVATION LEADS II, III, AVF )
- ST ELEVATION in LEADS II, III, and/or AVF

“Electrocardiographic Diagnosis of Evolving Acute Myocardial Infarction in the Presence of Left Bundle-Branch Block” Birnbaum et al, N Engl J Med 1996; 334:481-487

*In patients with*

**Left Bundle Branch Block  
Combined with  
Ventricular Hypertrophy,**

*The J Point elevation can exceed 0.5 mv  
(5mm) above the iso-electric line in patients  
without ACS.*

Rate 75 . Sinus rhythm.....normal P axis V-rate 50- 99  
 . Left bundle branch block.....QRSD 120, broad/notched R

FR 178  
 QRSD 133  
 QT 420  
 QTc 470

ED

TECH

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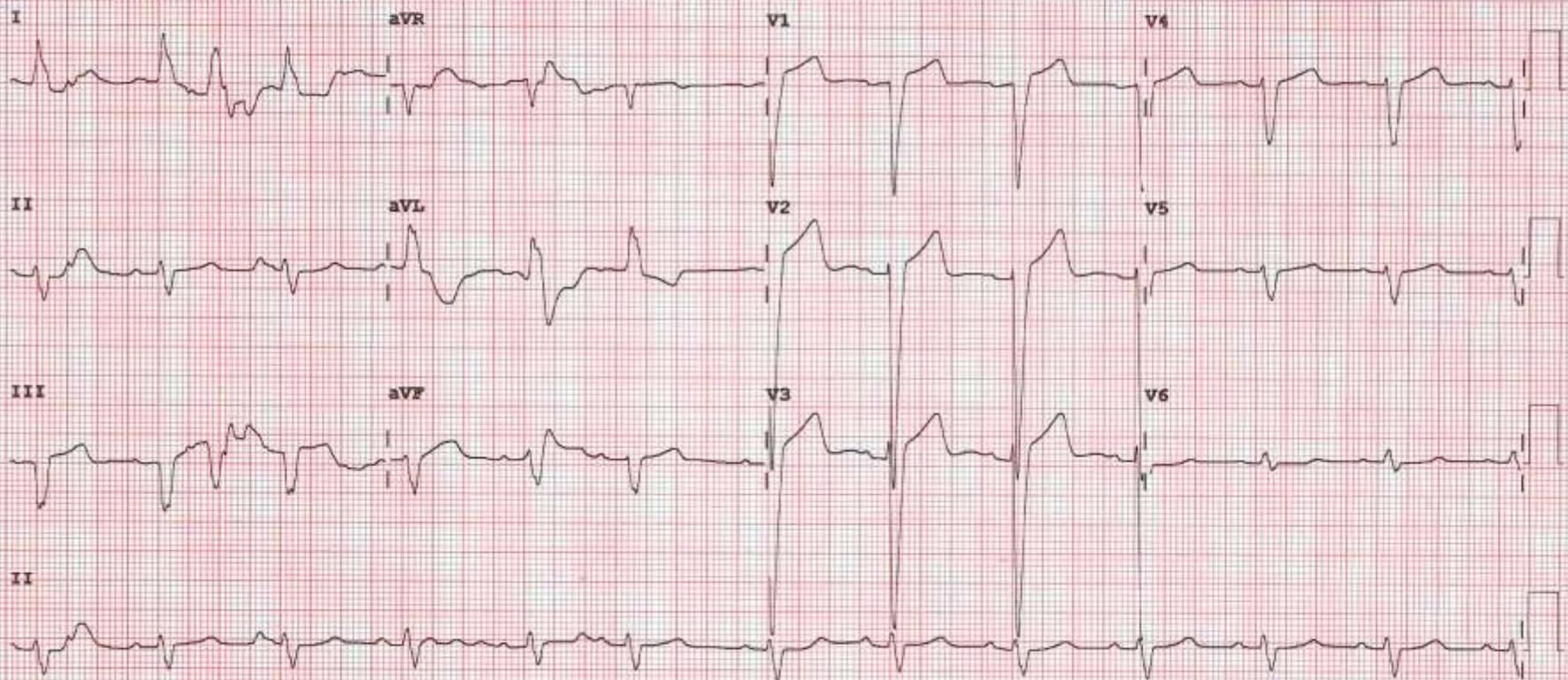
**Hypertrophy Clue: QRS Complexes "spearing through" QRS of other leads.**

--AXIS--

P 27  
 QRS -43  
 T 127

12 Lead; Standard Placement

Unconfirmed Diagnosis



Device:

Speed: 25 mm/sec

Limb: 10 mm/mV

Chest: 10.0 mm/mV

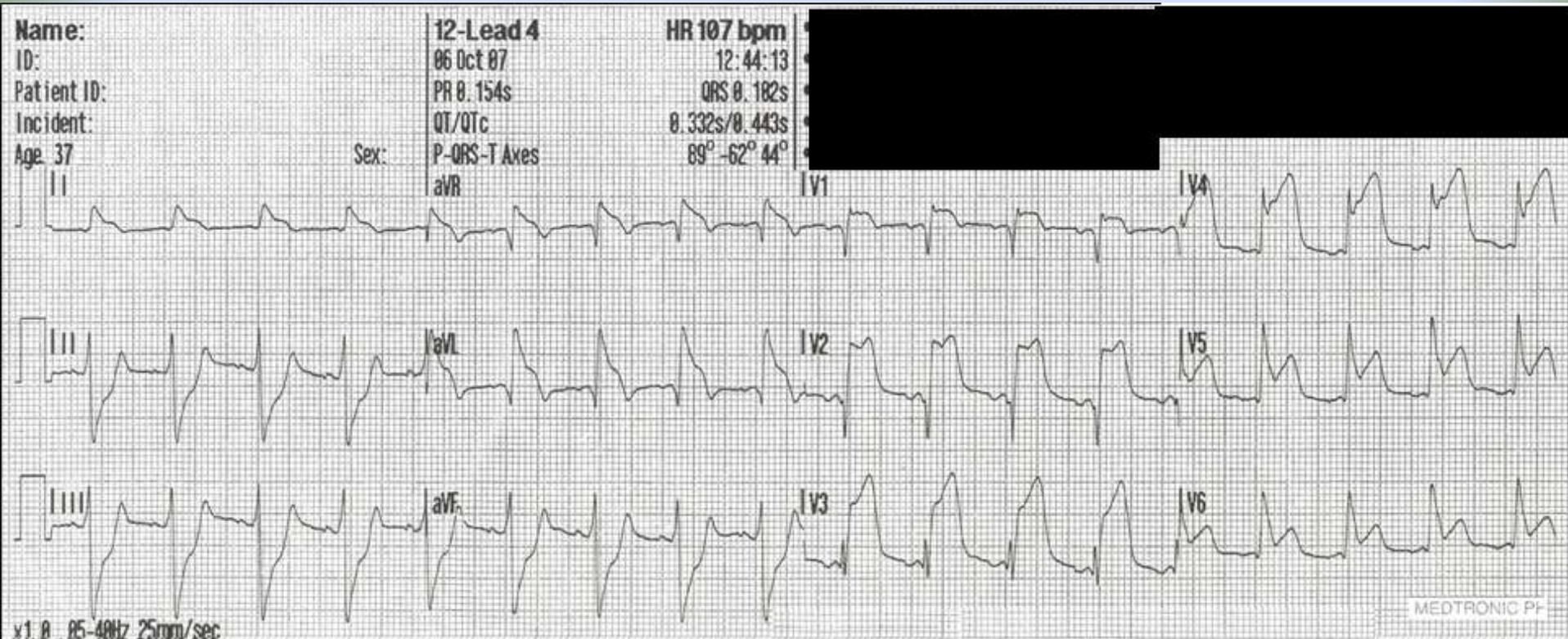
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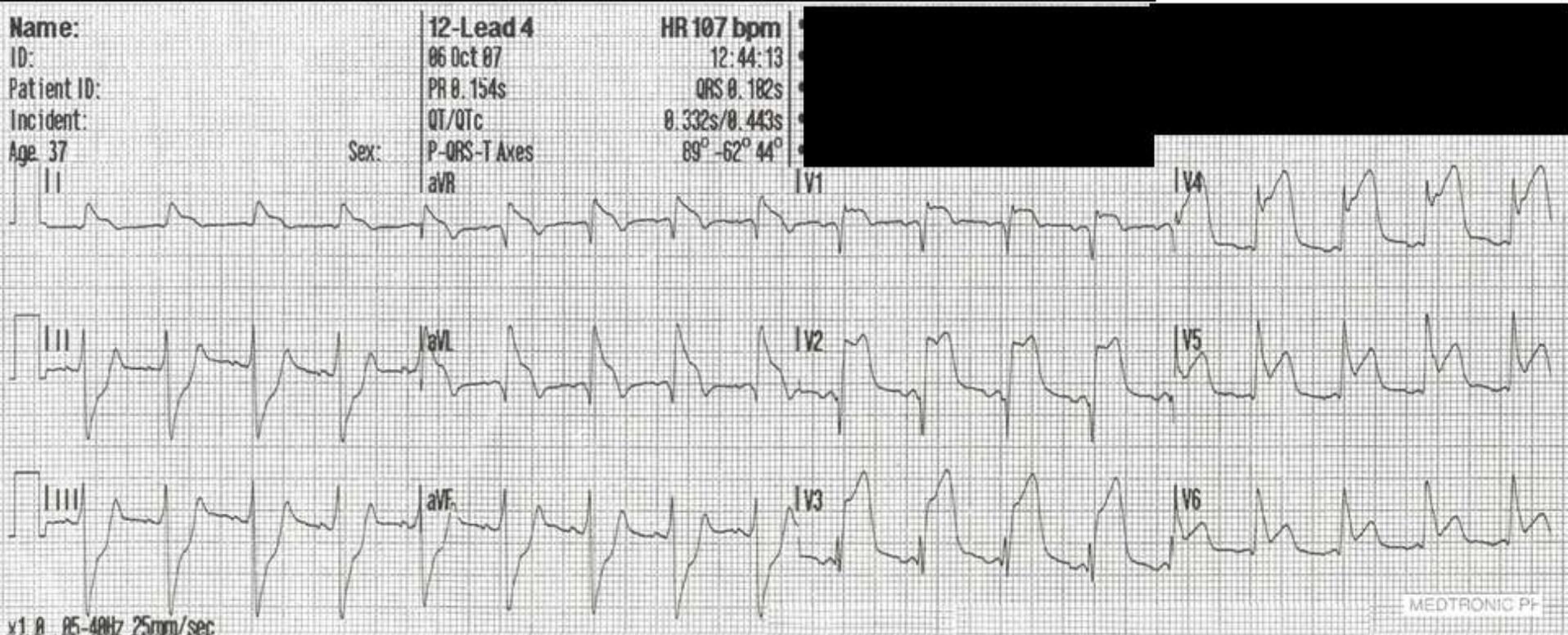
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# Practice ECGs . . .

# Let's review . . . .

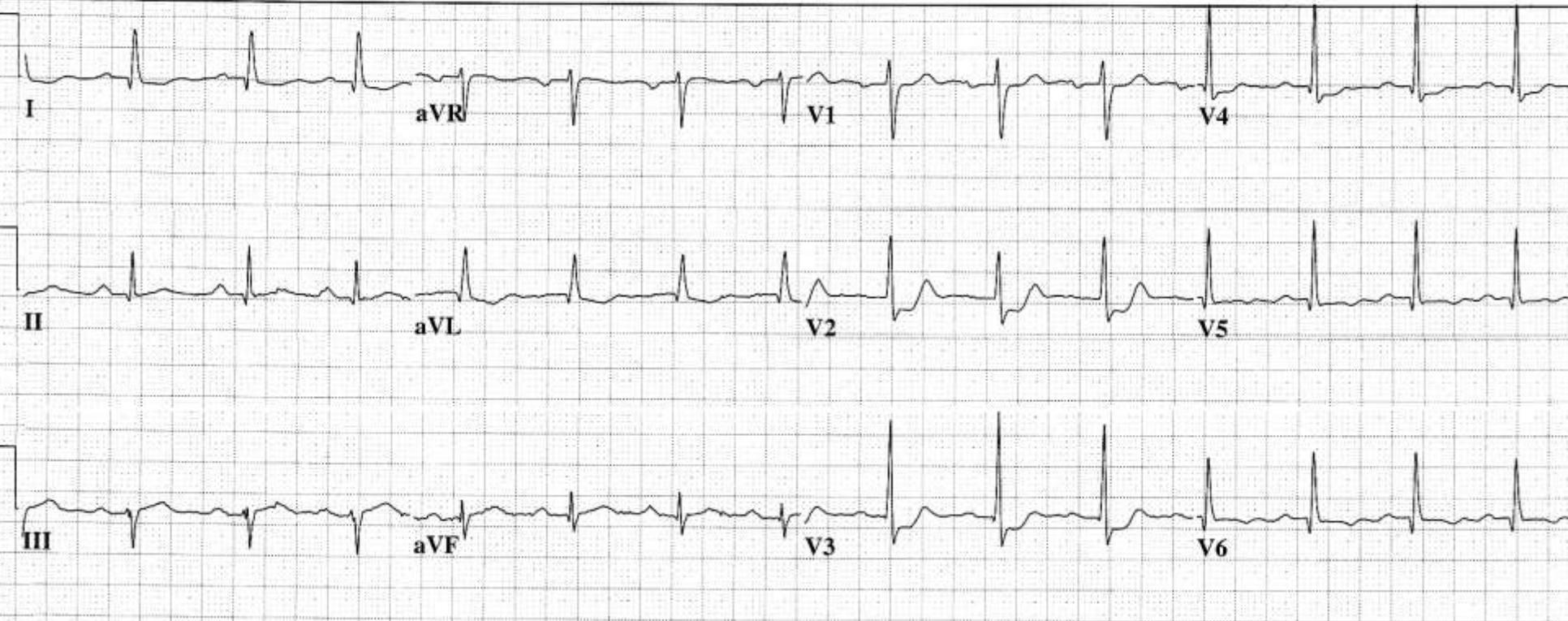


1. ECG abnormality(ies)?
2. Possible diagnosis?
3. Action / Intervention?



- 1. ECG abnormality(ies)? ST Elevation Leads I, AVR AVL, V1, V2, V3, V4, V5 & V6. ST Depression II, III and AVF**
- 2. Possible diagnosis? Acute Anterolateral Wall STEMI secondary to Left Main Coronary Artery occlusion (widow-maker MI).**
- 3. Action / Intervention? STAT CATH LAB vs STAT Thrombolytics. Prepare for Cardiac Arrest**

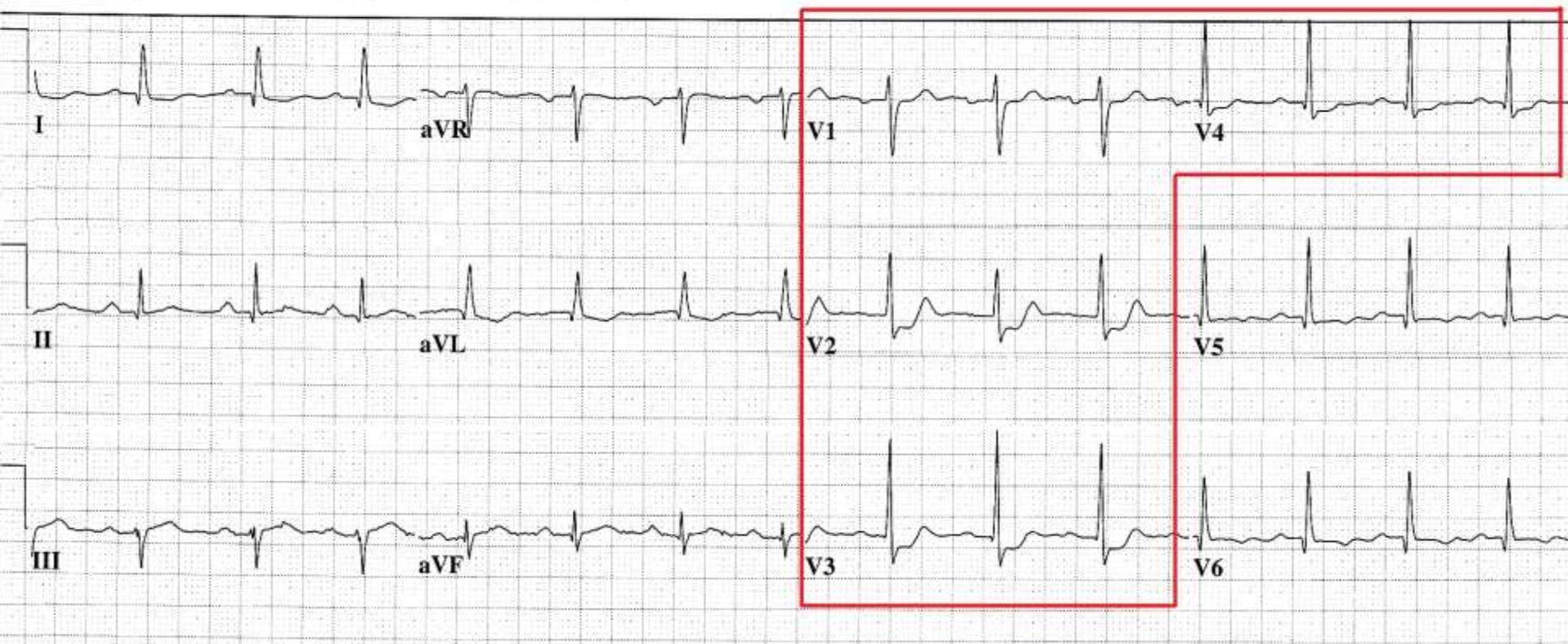
63 yr		Vent. rate	88	BPM
Male	Hispanic	PR interval	200	ms
		QRS duration	94	ms
Room: VAM		QT/QTc	352/425	ms
Loc: 3	Option: 23	P-R-T axes	63 2	118



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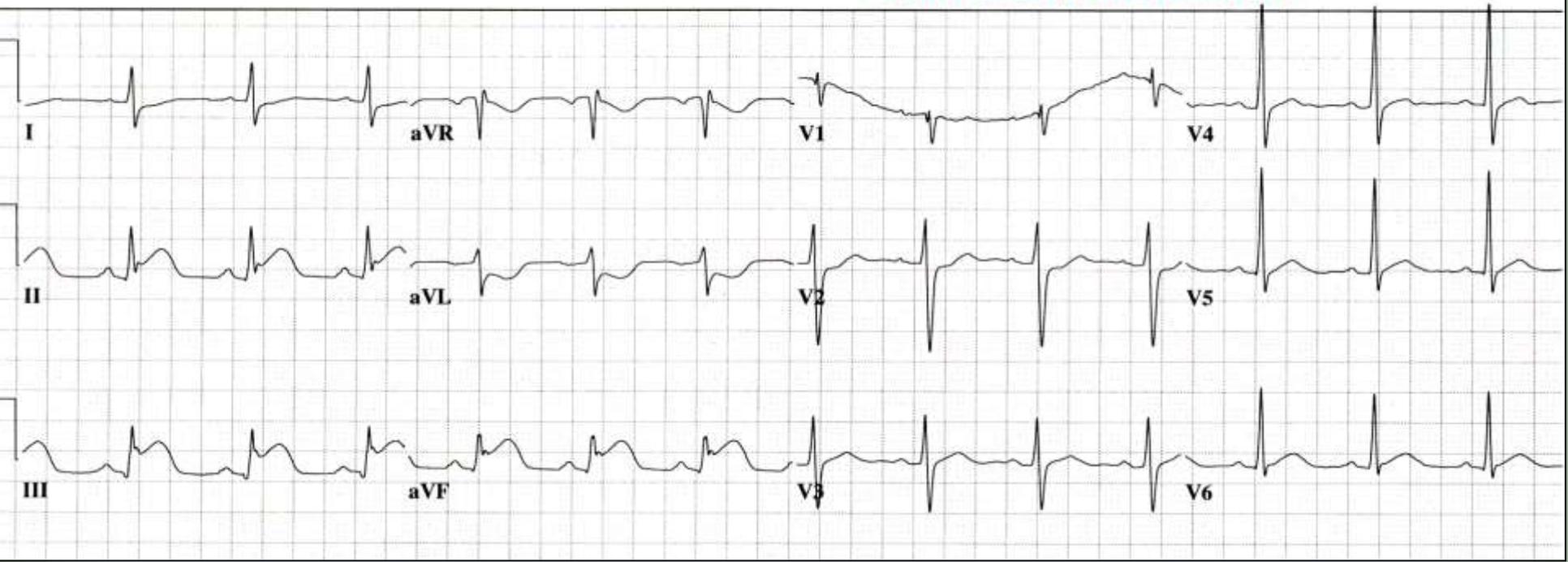
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2. Possible diagnosis? **Anterior ischemia vs. Posterior wall STEMI**

3. Action / Intervention? **Posterior ECG (V7-V9)**

46 yr Male    Caucasian    Vent. rate 82 BPM  
PR interval 168 ms  
QRS duration 96 ms  
QT/QTc 384/448 ms  
Loc:3    Option:23    P-R-T axes 76 81 88

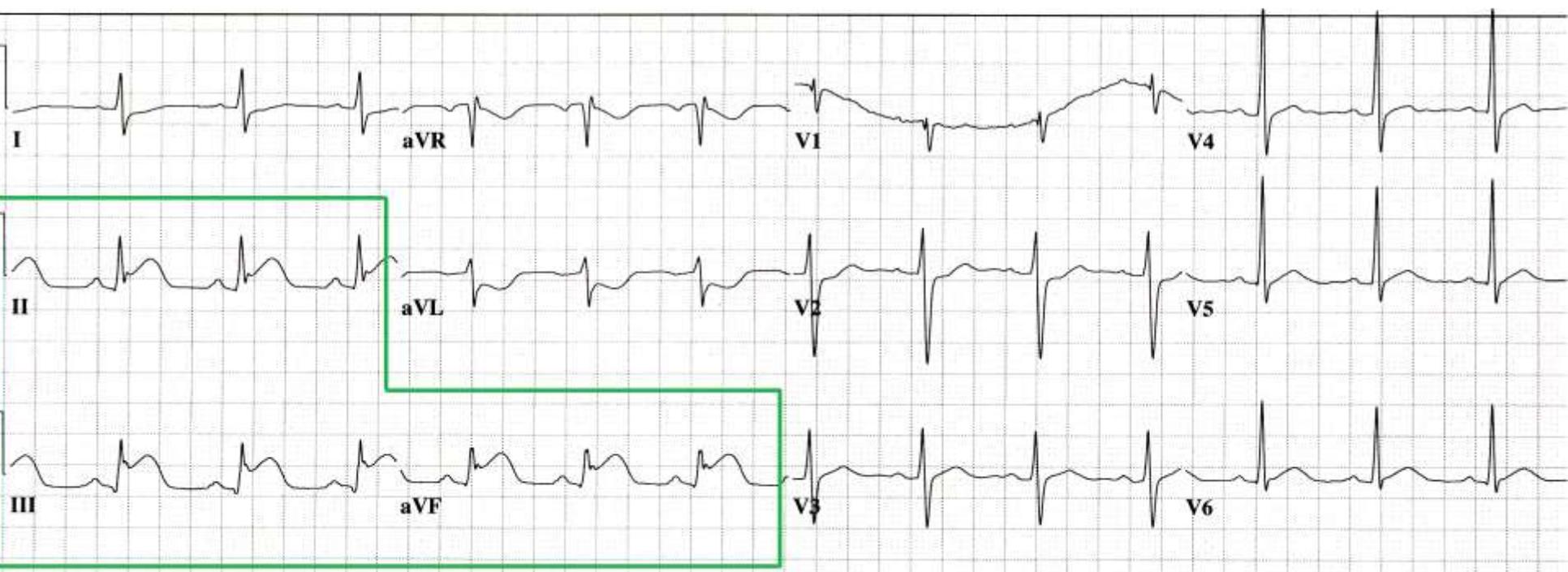
**EVALUATE EKG for indicators of ACS:**  
- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION  
- HYPERACUTE T WAVES  
- CONVEX ST SEGMENTS  
- OTHER ST SEGMENT / T WAVE ABNORMALITIES



1. ECG abnormality(ies)?
2. Possible diagnosis?
3. Action / Intervention?

46 yr Male  
Caucasian  
Loc:3 Option:23  
Vent. rate 82 BPM  
PR interval 168 ms  
QRS duration 96 ms  
QT/QTc 384/448 ms  
P-R-T axes 76 81 88

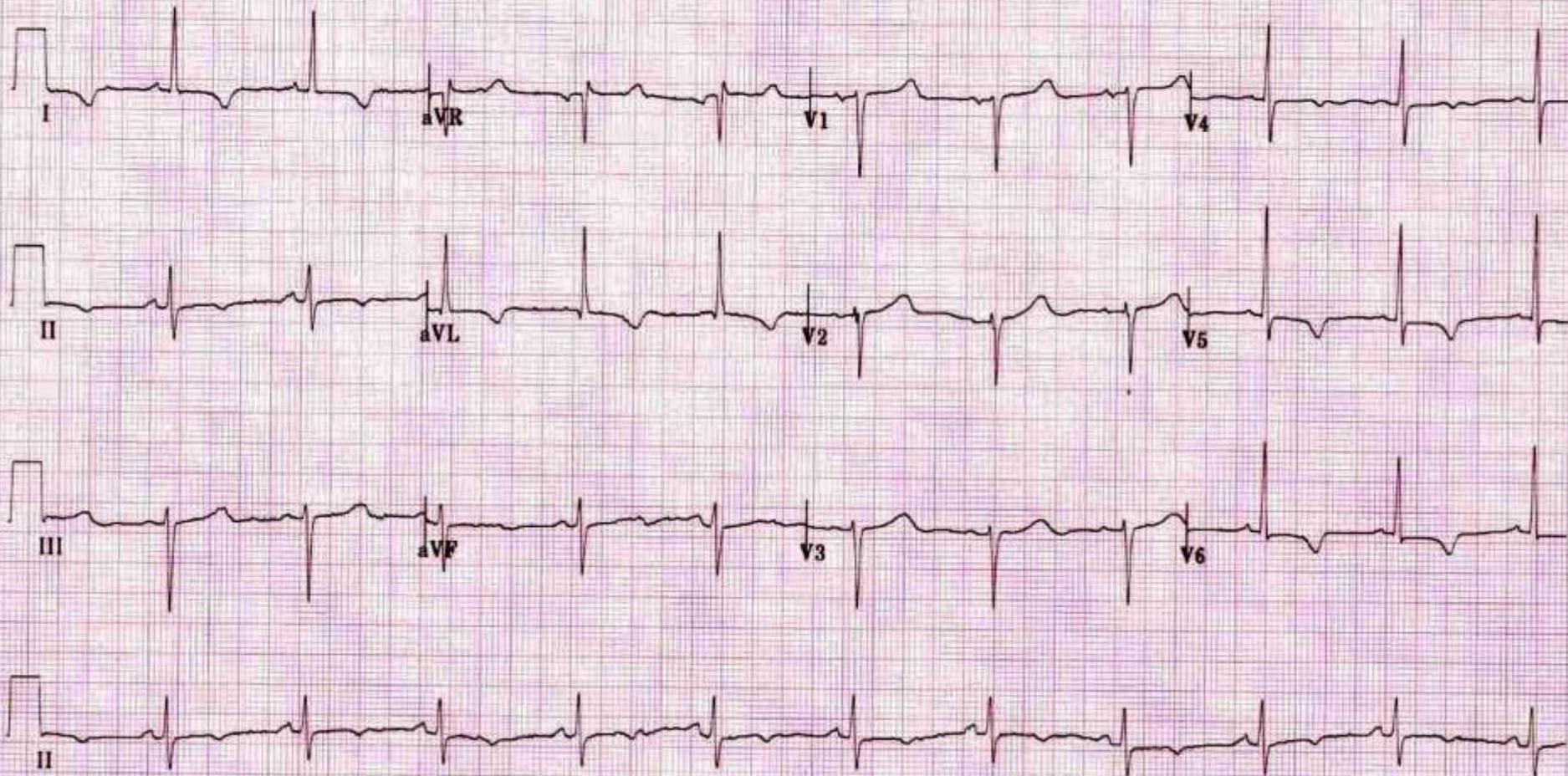
**ST-Segment Elevation in Leads II, III and AVF  
Consistent with: INFERIOR STEMI**



1. ECG abnormality(ies)? **ST Elevation, Leads II,III & AVF**
2. Possible diagnosis? **Inferior Wall STEMI**
3. Action / Intervention? **1. Do R-sided ECG, *prepare for Atropine administration, external pacing, cardiac arrest, STAT cath lab visit !***

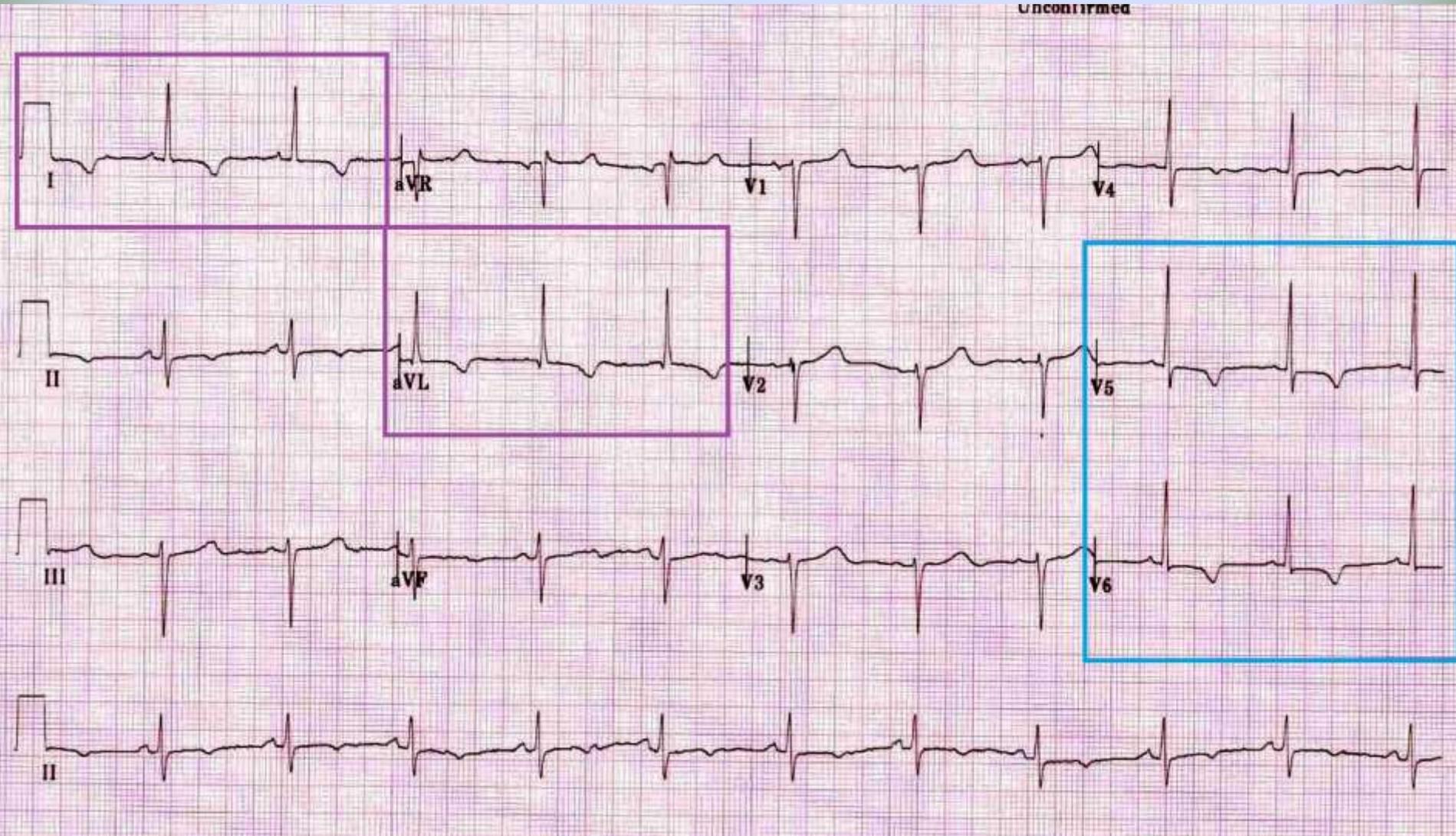
# What leads show signs of possible ACS?

Unconfirmed



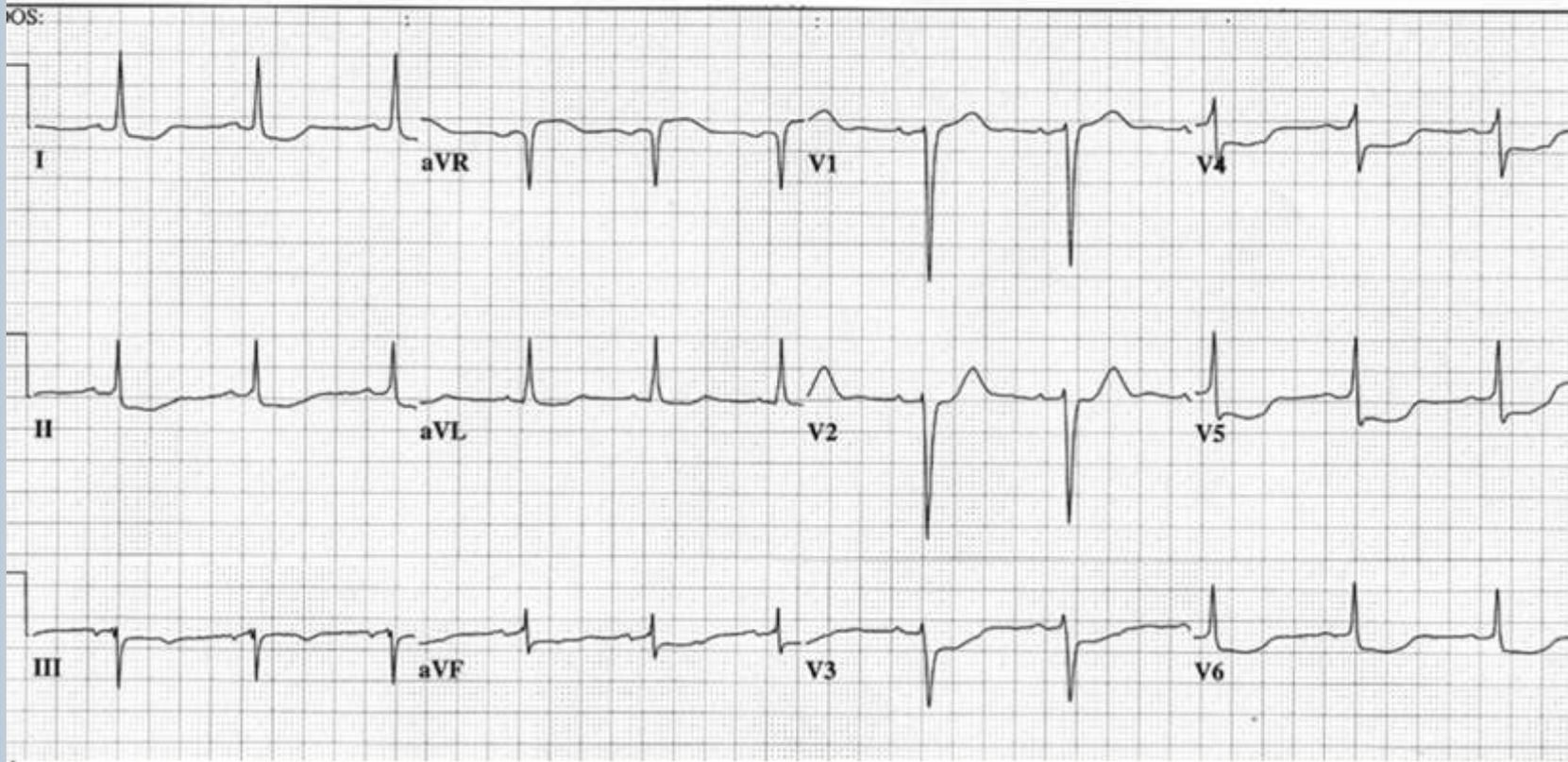
# 12 Lead ECG

shows ISCHEMIC CHANGES Lateral Wall:



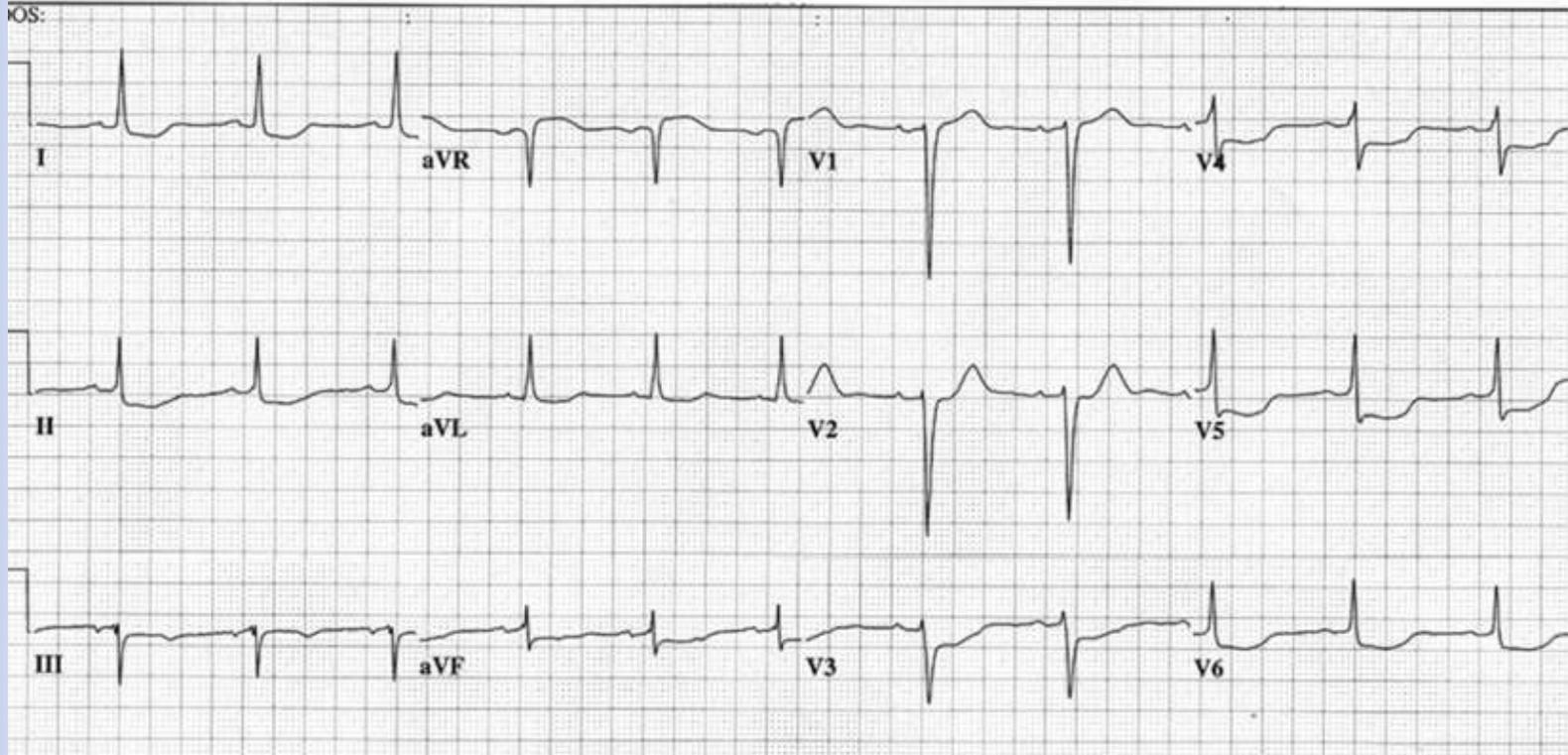
67 yr  
Female Hispanic  
Room:S7  
Loc:3 Option:23

Vent. rate 67 BPM  
PR interval 188 ms  
QRS duration 106 ms  
QT/QTc 458/483 ms  
P-R-T axes 27 -3 -111



1. ECG abnormality(ies)?
2. Possible diagnosis?
3. Action / Intervention?

67 yr		Vent. rate	67	BPM
Female	Hispanic	PR interval	188	ms
		QRS duration	106	ms
Room:S7		QT/QTc	458/483	ms
Loc:3	Option:23	P-R-T axes	27 -3 -111	



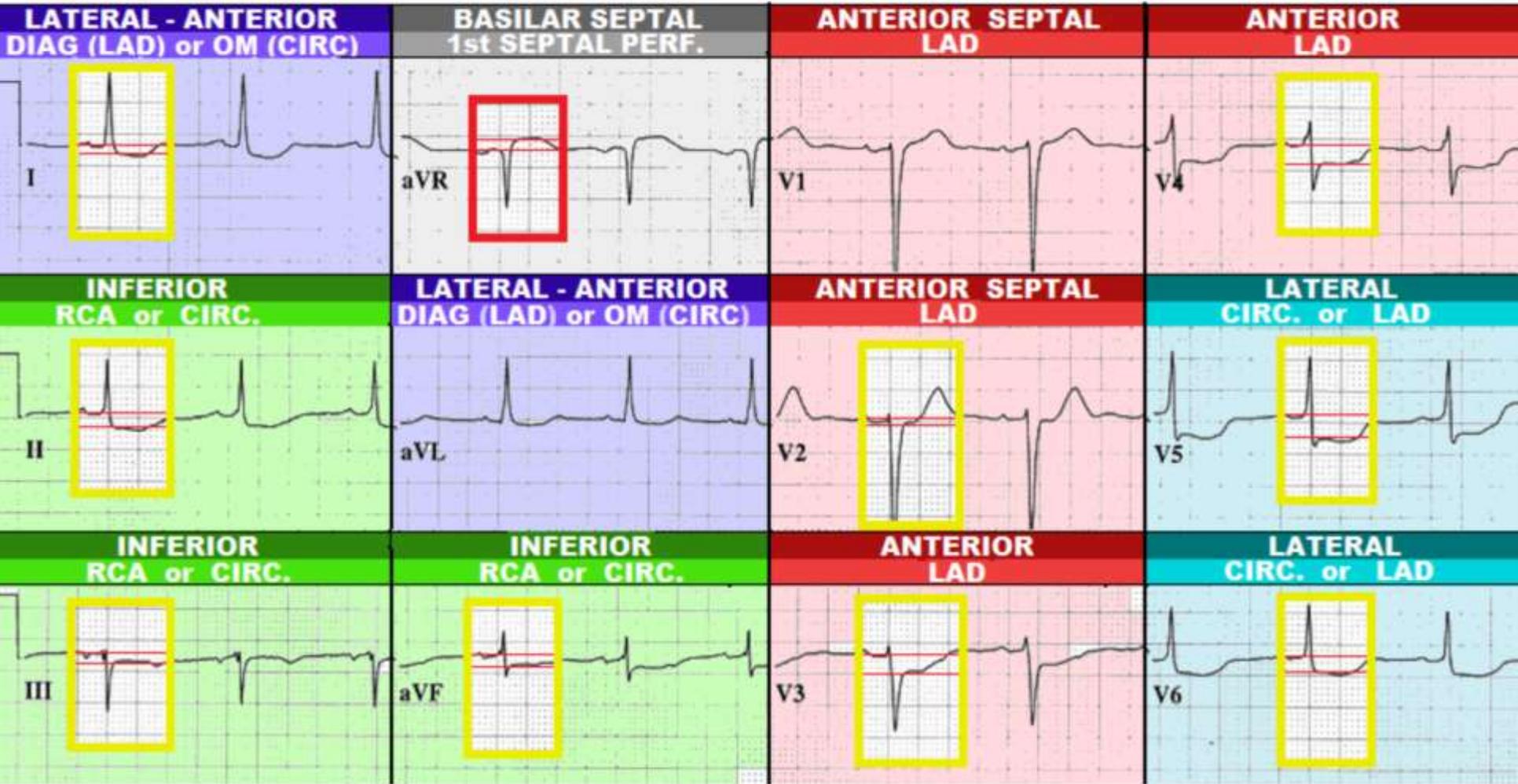
1. ECG abnormality(ies)? **ST Elevation Lead AVR, Global ST Depression (I, II, III, AVL, AVF, V2, V3, V4, V5, V6)**
2. Possible diagnosis? **possible LMCA or 3x vessel disease.**
3. Action / Intervention? **Troponins, Continuous ST monitoring, cath lab visit STAT or ASAP (based on sympt.)**

67 yr  
Female Hispanic  
Room:S7  
Loc:3 Option:23

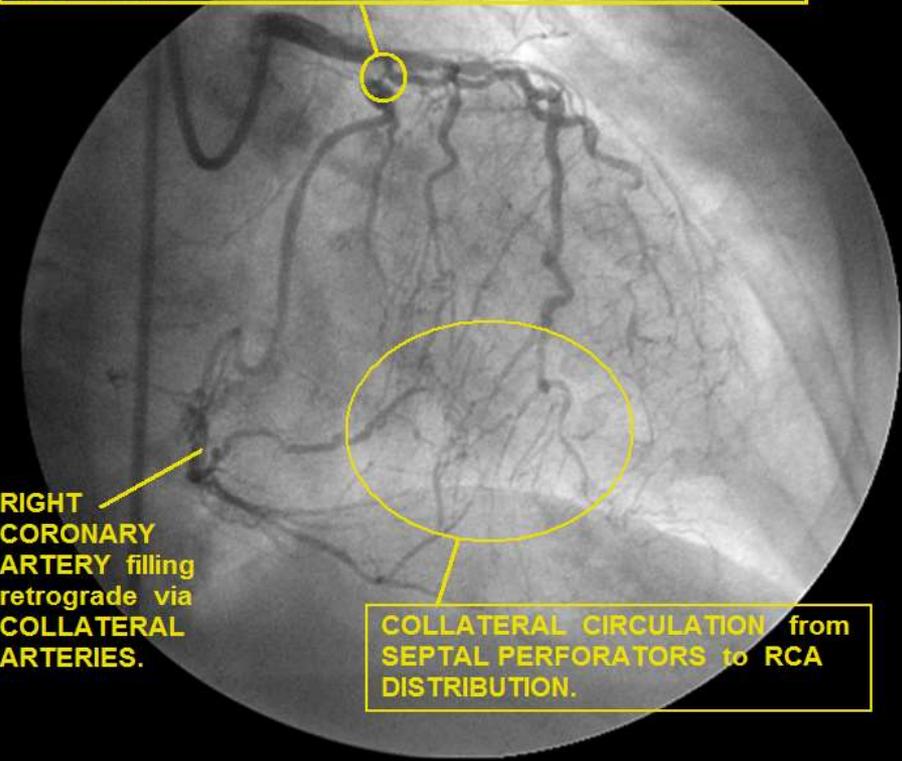
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**ST SEGMENT ELEVATION**

**ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION**



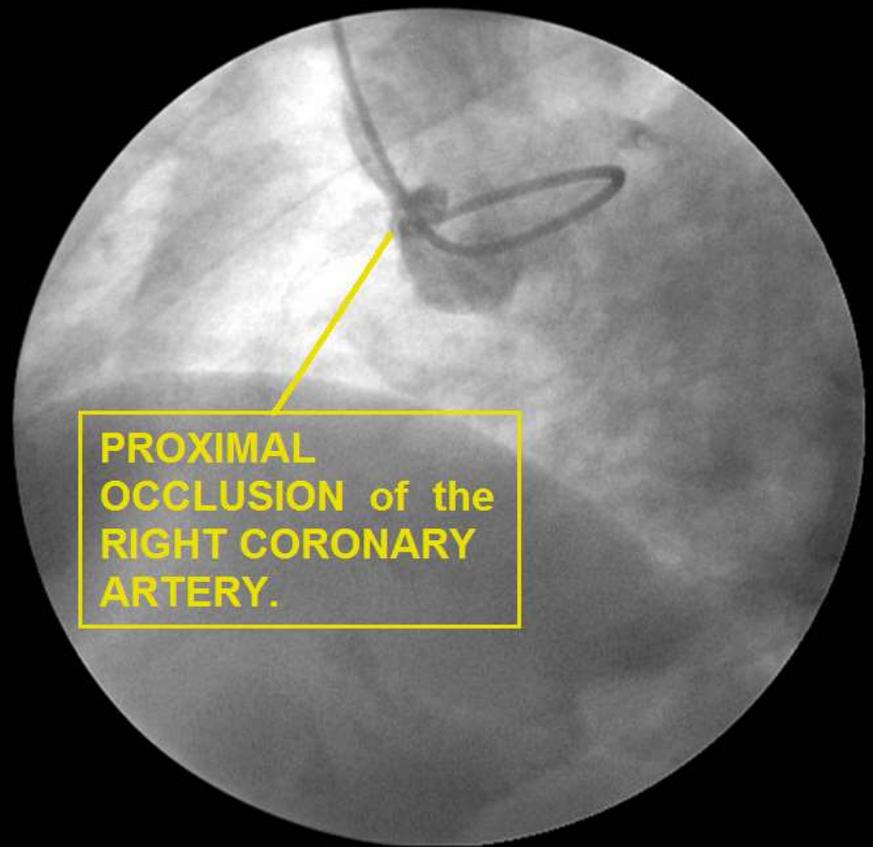
**SUB-TOTAL OCCLUSION of CIRCUMFLEX ARTERY.**



**RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY filling retrograde via COLLATERAL ARTERIES.**

**COLLATERAL CIRCULATION from SEPTAL PERFORATORS to RCA DISTRIBUTION.**

**PROXIMAL OCCLUSION of the RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY.**





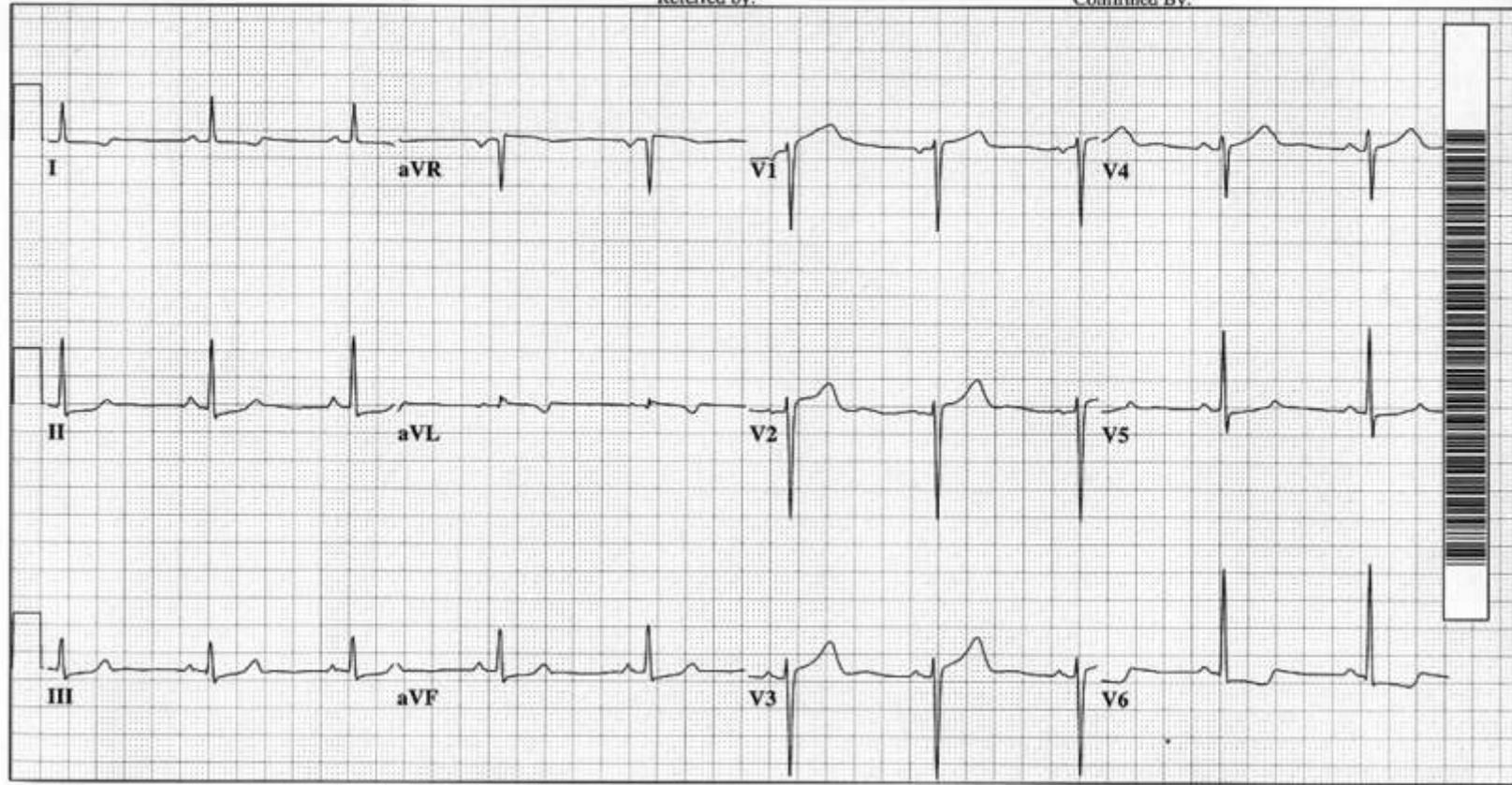
45 yr  
Female Caucasian

Vent. rate 58 BPM  
PR interval 148 ms  
QRS duration 80 ms  
QT/QTc 448/440 ms  
P-R-T axes 57 48 105

Loc:1 Option:1

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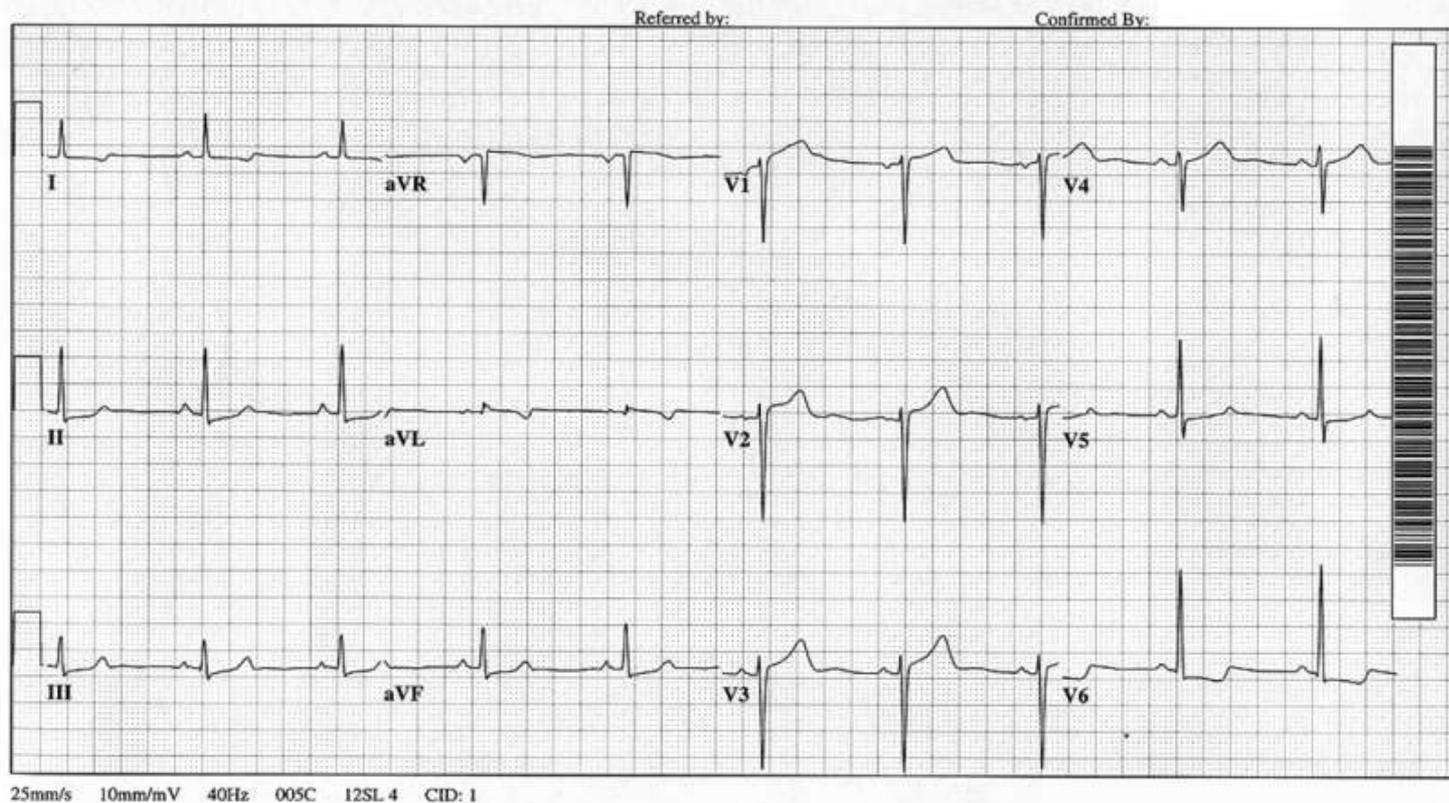
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1. ECG abnormality(ies)?
2. Possible diagnosis?
3. Action / Intervention?

45 yr  
Female Caucasian  
Vent. rate 58 BPM  
PR interval 148 ms  
QRS duration 80 ms  
QT/QTc 448/440 ms  
P-R-T axes 57 48 105



1. ECG abnormality(ies)? **Inferior (II, III, AVF) ST Depr (ischemia?), I & AVL T wave inversion, V5 ST Depr**
2. Possible diagnosis? **Inferior / Lateral ischemia**
3. Action / Intervention? **Serial ECGs / Troponins, additional diagnostic testing, cath lab**

INVERTED  
T WAVE



- **MYOCARDITIS**
- **ELECTROLYTE IMBAL.**
- **ISCHEMIA**

SHARP S-T  
T ANGLE



- **ACUTE MI (NOT COMMON)**
- **ISCHEMIA**

BI-PHASIC  
T WAVE  
(WELLEN'S)



- **SUB-TOTAL LAD LESION**
- **VASOSPASM**
- **HYPERTROPHY**

DEPRESSED J  
POINT with  
UPSLOPING ST



- **ISCHEMIA**

DOWNSLOPING  
S-T SEGMENT



- **ISCHEMIA**

# ISCHEMIA

## HELPFUL PATTERNS . . .

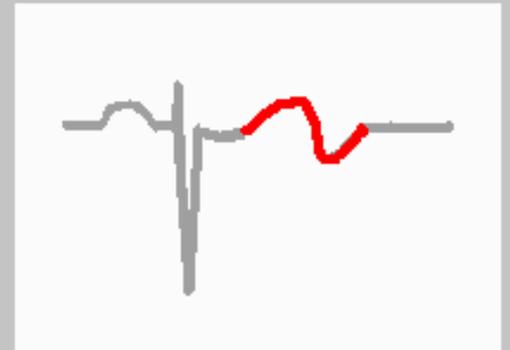
**J POINT DEPRESSION  
( > 1 mm )**

**INVERTED T WAVES**

**J POINT DEPRESSION  
+ INVERTED T WAVES**



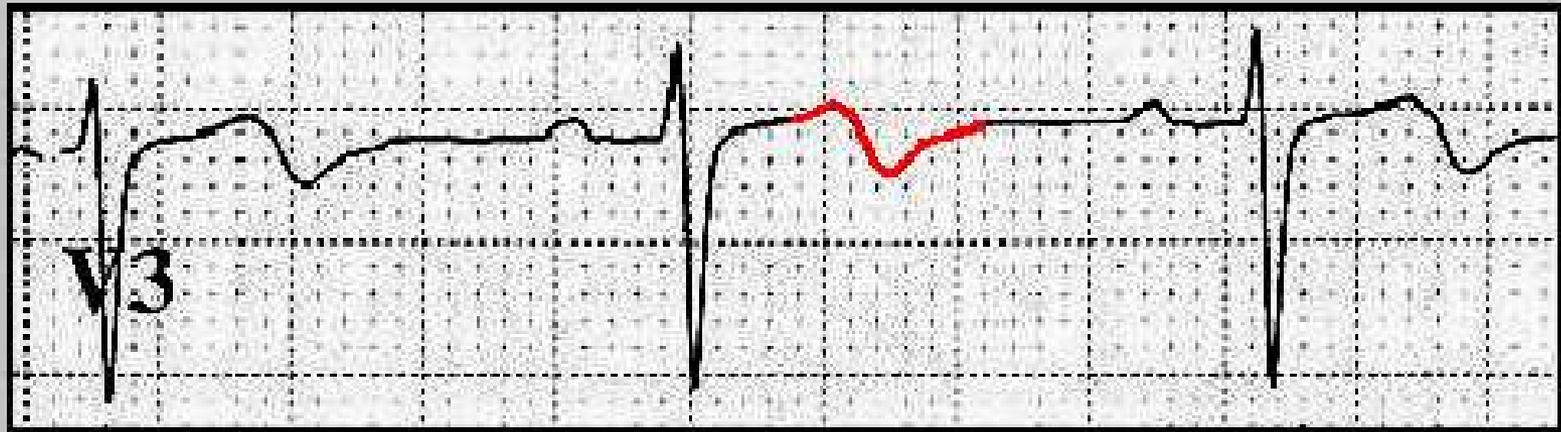
# **ISCHEMIA**



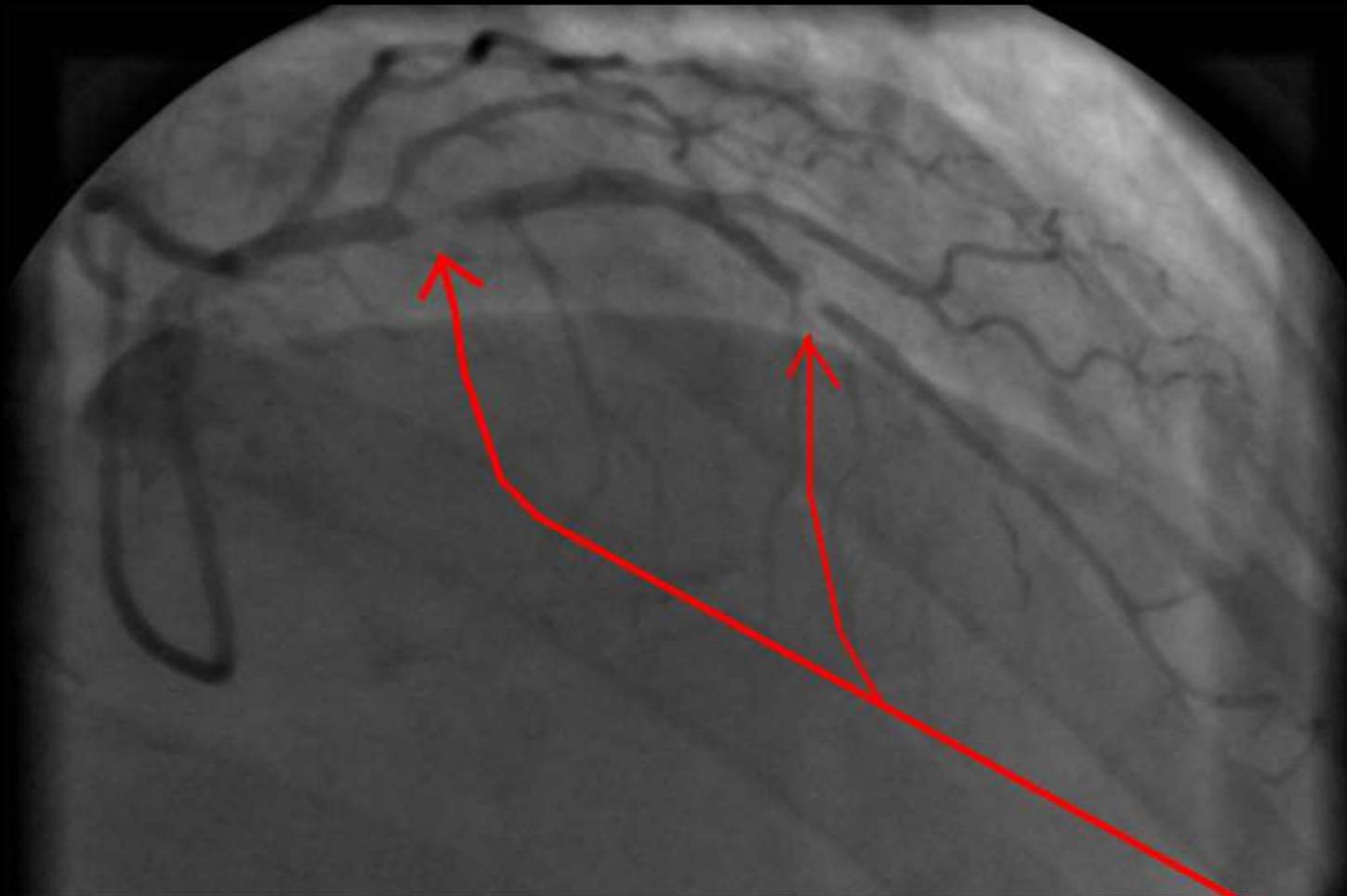
## ***BI-PHASIC T WAVE***

- **SUB-TOTAL OCCLUSION of LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY ( when noted in V1-V4 )**
- **LEFT VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY**
- **COCAINE INDUCED VASOSPASM**

# BI-PHASIC T WAVES



**58 y/o MALE WITH SUB-TOTAL  
OCCLUSIONS OF THE LEFT  
ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY**



**58 y/o MALE WITH "WELLEN'S  
WARNING." PT HAS SUB-TOTALLY  
OCCLUDED LAD X 2**

# Classic “Wellen’s Syndrome:”

- **Characteristic T wave changes**
  - Biphasic T waves
  - Inverted T waves
- **History of anginal chest pain**
- **Normal or minimally elevated cardiac markers**
- **ECG without Q waves, without significant ST-segment elevation, and with normal precordial R-wave progression**

# **Wellen's Syndrome ETIOLOGY:**

- **Critical Lesion, Proximal LAD**
- **Coronary Artery Vasospasm**
- **Cocaine use (vasospasm)**
- **Increased myocardial oxygen demand**
- **Generalized Hypoxia / anemia / low H&H**

# Wellen's Syndrome EPIDEMIOLOGY & PROGNOSIS:

- Present in 14-18% of patients admitted with unstable angina
- 75% patients not treated developed extensive Anterior MI within 3 weeks.
- *Median Average time from presentation to Acute Myocardial Infarction – 8 days*

Sources: [H Wellens et. Al, Am Heart J 1982; v103\(4\) 730-736](#)

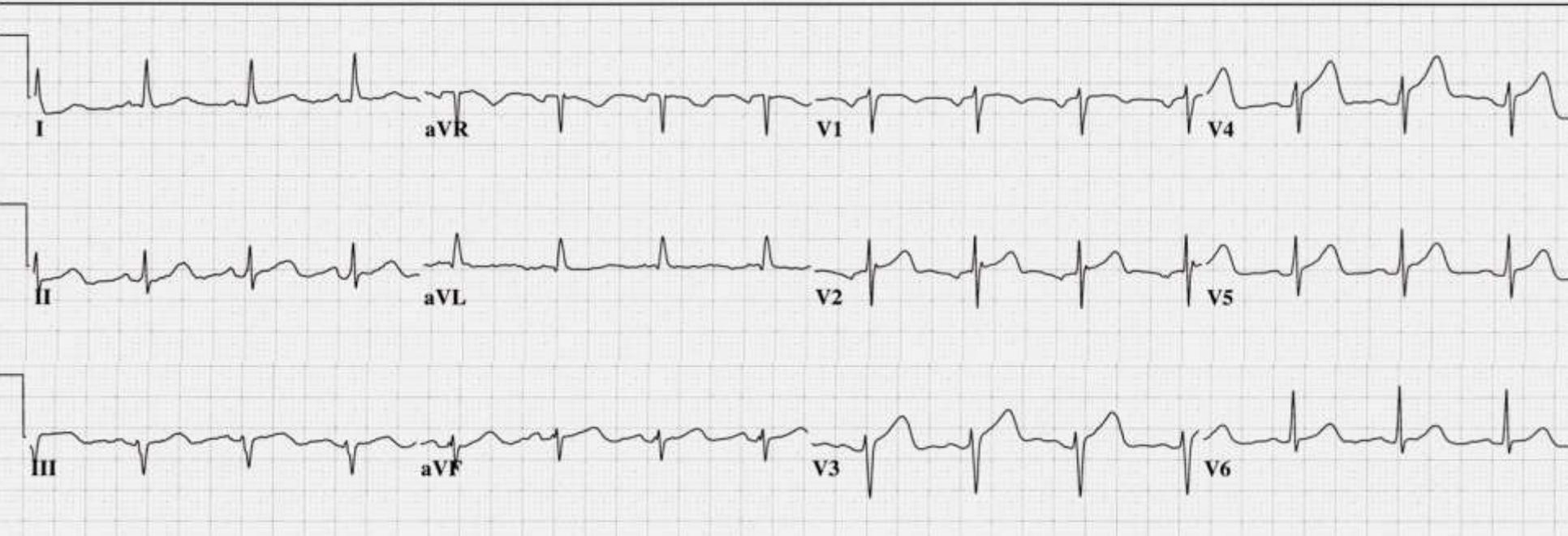
# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study

- 33 y/o male
- Chief complaint “sharp, pleuritic quality chest pain, intermittent, recent history lower respiratory infection with productive cough.”
- ED physician attributed the ST elevation in precordial leads to “early repolarization,” due to patient age, gender, race (African American) and concave nature of ST-segments.

# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study

## SERIAL EKG CASE STUDY 1 - EKG # 1 @ 06:22 HOURS

33 yr		Vent. rate	89	BPM	Normal sinus rhythm
Male	Black	PR interval	158	ms	Possible Left atrial enlargement
		QRS duration	80	ms	Borderline ECG
		QT/QTc	366/445	ms	No previous ECGs available
Loc:3	Option:23	P-R-T axes	60 -5	65	



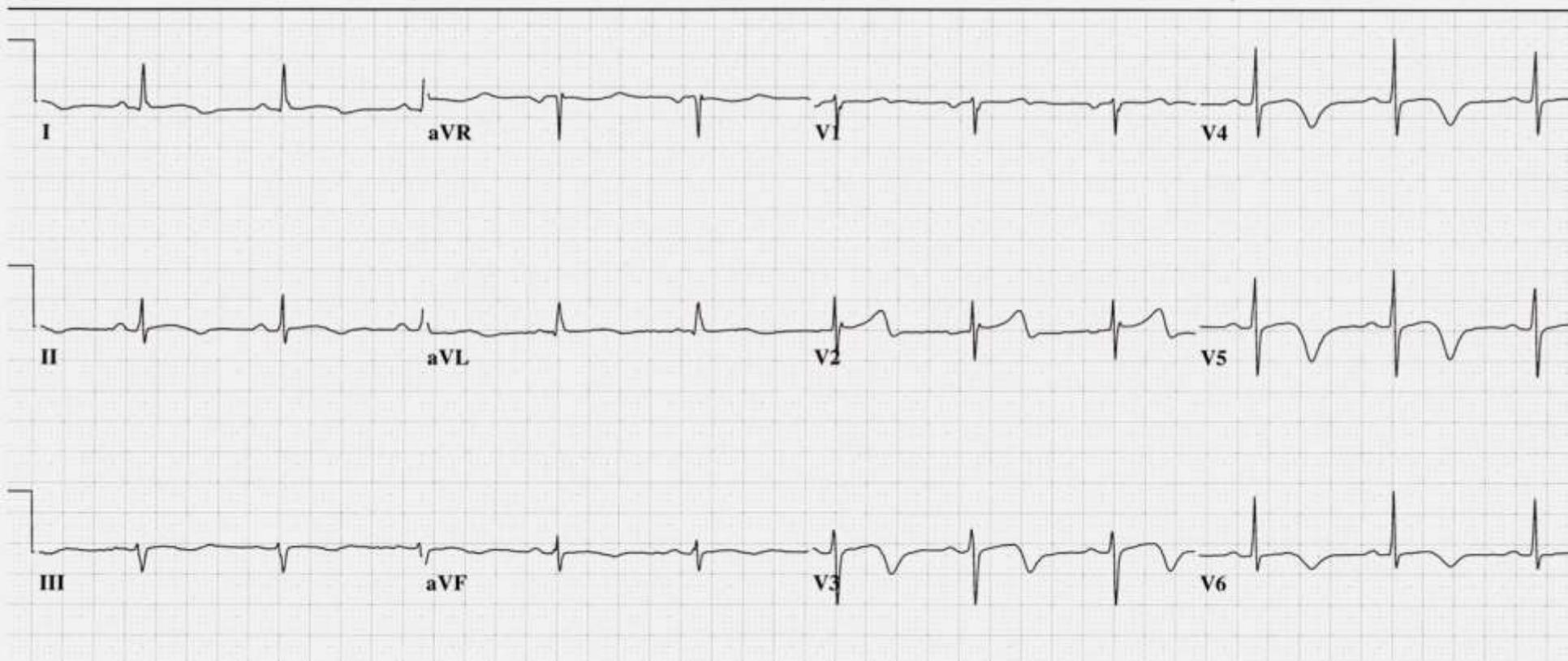
# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study

## SERIAL EKG CASE STUDY 1 - EKG # 2 @ 09:42 HOURS

33 yr  
Male      Black  
Room:A13  
Loc:3      Option:23

Vent. rate      67    BPM  
PR interval     160   ms  
QRS duration    82    ms  
QT/QTc         512/541   ms  
P-R-T axes      44 0    54

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Normal sinus rhythm  
T wave abnormality, consider anterolateral ischemia  
Prolonged QT  
Abnormal ECG



***DYNAMIC ST-T Wave Changes  
ARE PRESENT !!***

**NOW**

***is the time for the***

***STAT CALL***

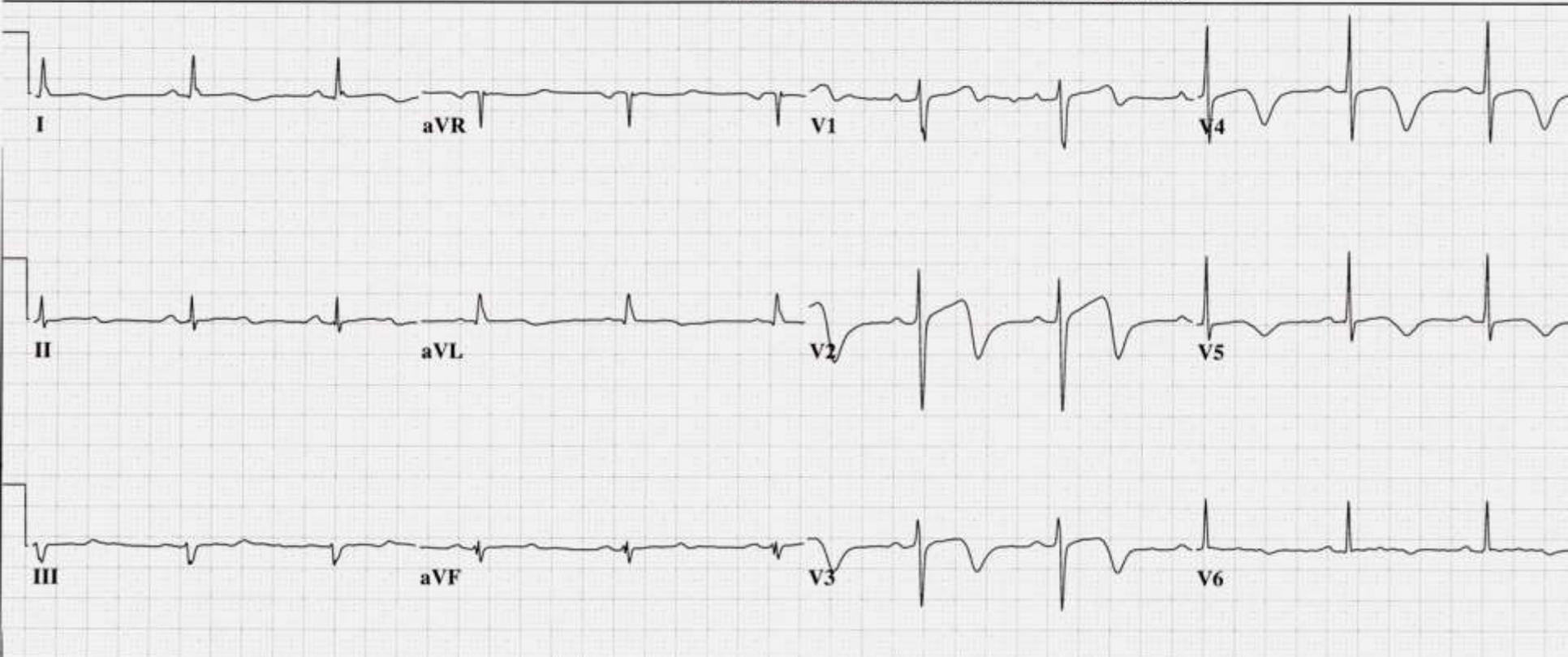
***to the***

***CARDIOLOGIST !!!!***

# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study

## SERIAL EKG CASE STUDY 1 - EKG # 3 @ 12:12 HOURS

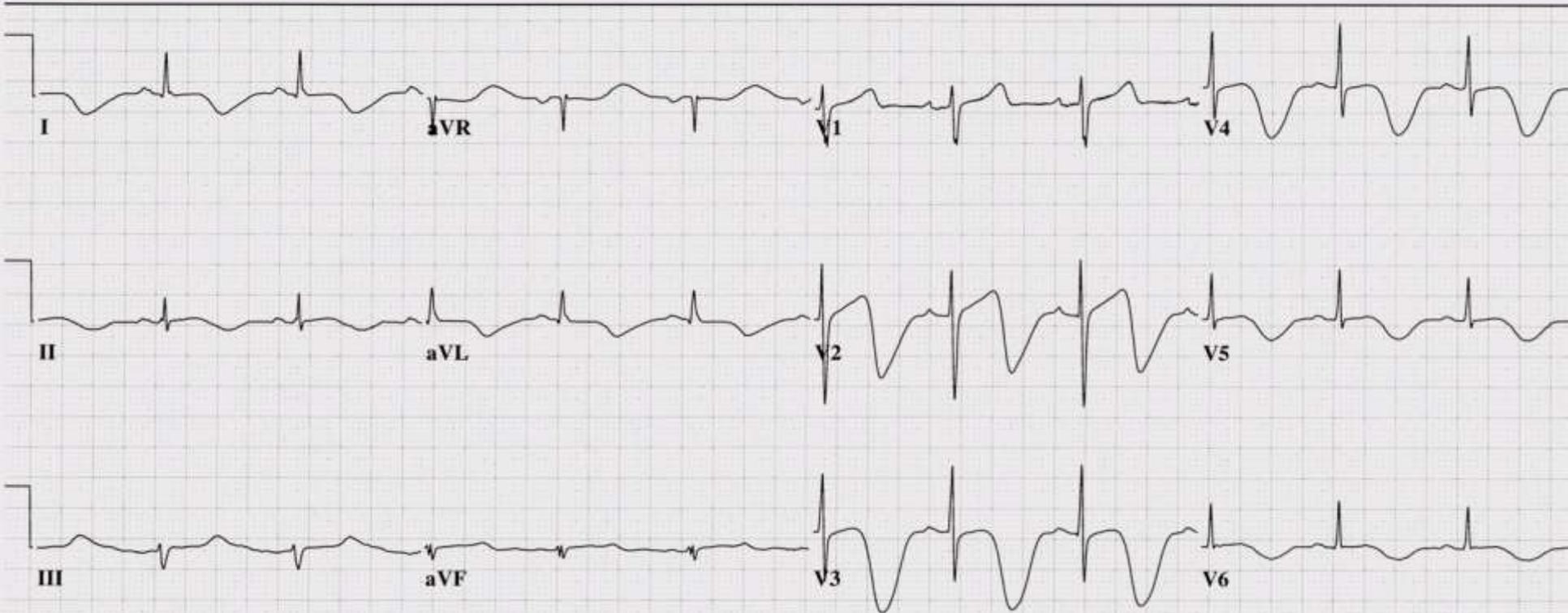
33 yr		Vent. rate	64	BPM	Normal sinus rhythm
Male	Black	PR interval	160	ms	Marked T wave abnormality, consider anterolateral ischemia
		QRS duration	84	ms	Prolonged QT
		QT/QTc	514/530	ms	Abnormal ECG
Loc:7	Option:35	P-R-T axes	45 3	91	When compared with ECG of 05-NOV-2008 05:12.



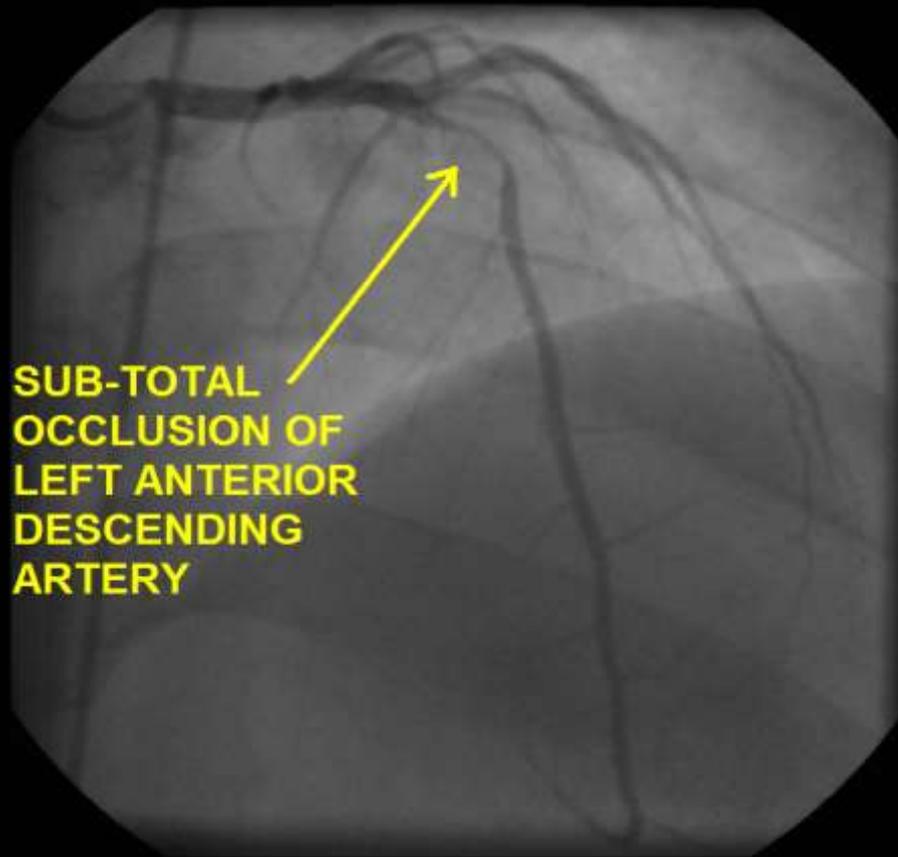
# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study

SERIAL EKG CASE STUDY 1 - EKG # 4 @ 15:37 HOURS

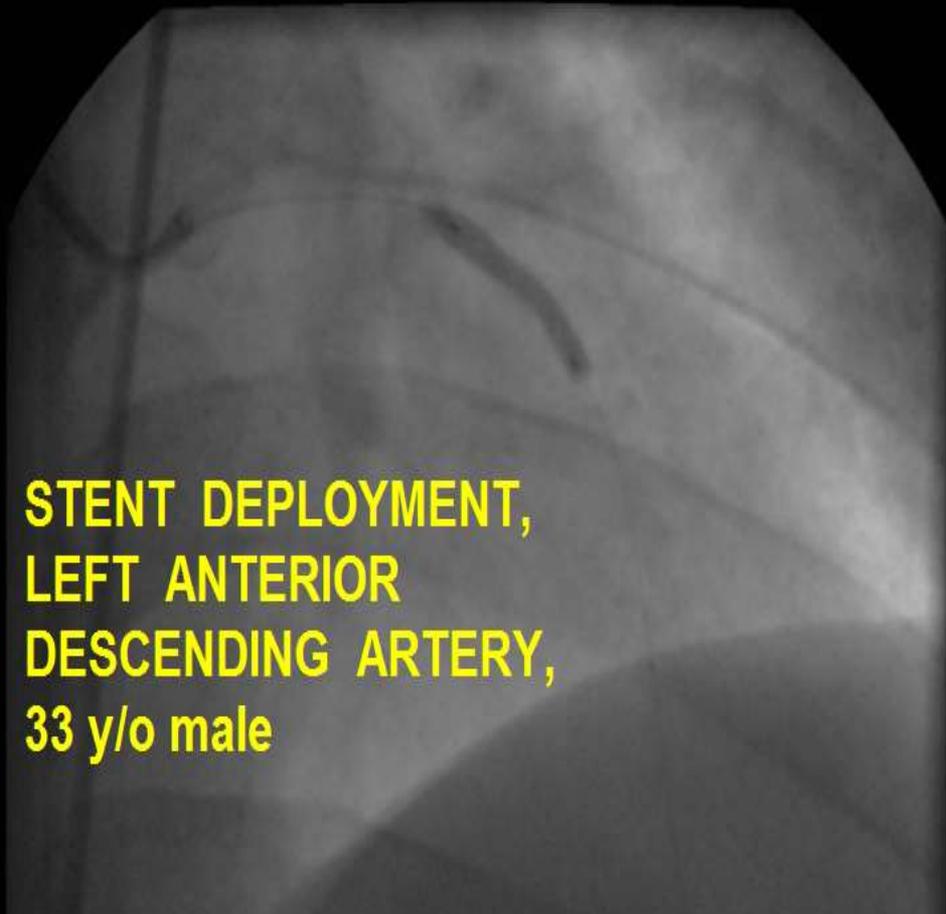
33 yr		Vent. rate	71	BPM	Normal sinus rhythm
Male	Black	PR interval	144	ms	Marked T wave abnormality, consider anterolateral ischemia
		QRS duration	74	ms	Prolonged QT
Room:405A		QT/QTc	600/652	ms	Abnormal ECG
Loc:5	Option:39	P-R-T axes	20 1	160	



# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study

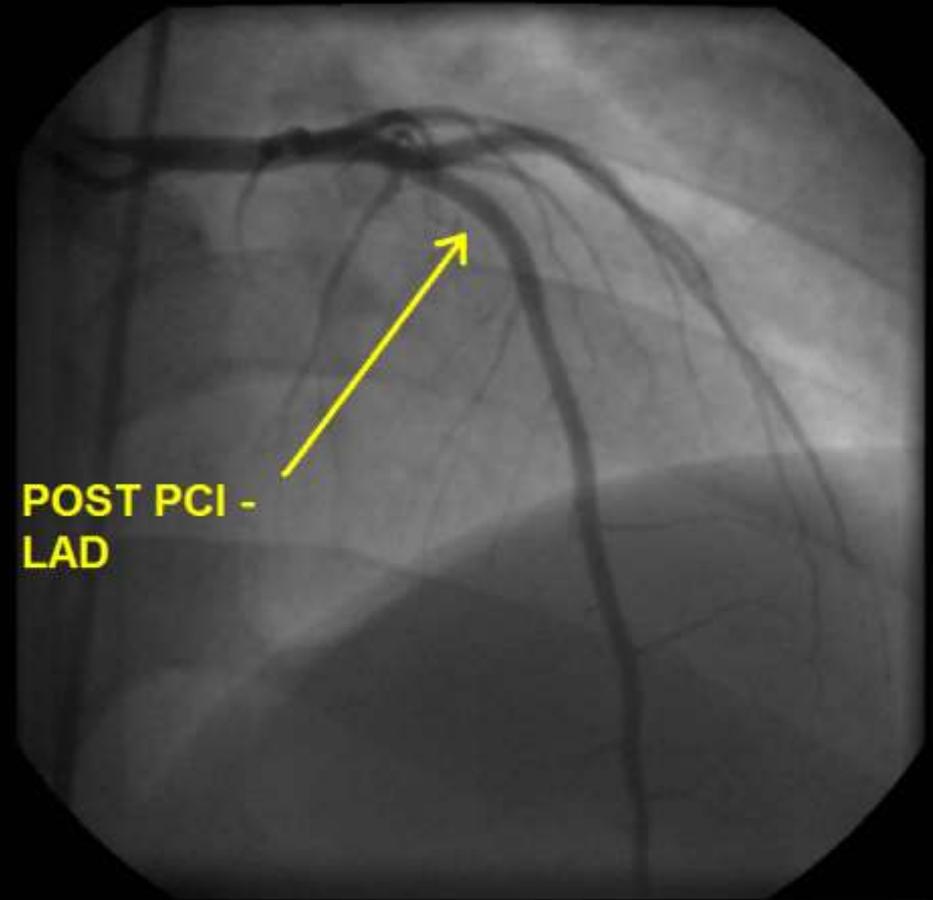
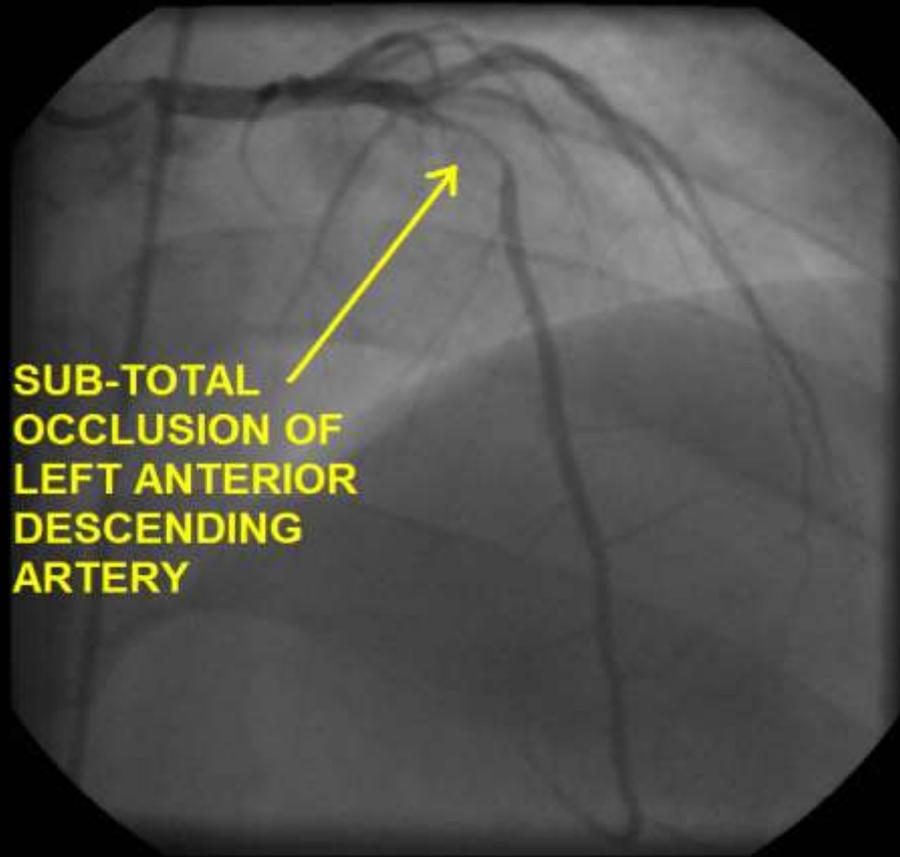


SUB-TOTAL  
OCCLUSION OF  
LEFT ANTERIOR  
DESCENDING  
ARTERY



STENT DEPLOYMENT,  
LEFT ANTERIOR  
DESCENDING ARTERY,  
33 y/o male

# Wellen's Syndrome Case Study



# Additional Resources:

- [Wellen's Syndrome, NEJM case study](#)

# S-T SEGMENT DEPRESSION - COMMON ETIOLOGIES:



## CONDITION:

- **RECIPROCAL CHANGES of ACUTE MI**
- **NON-Q WAVE M.I. ( NON-STEMI )**
- **ISCHEMIA**
- **POSITIVE STRESS TEST**
- **VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY (STRAIN PATTERN)**
- **WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE**
- **OLD MI ( NECROSIS vs. ISCHEMIA )**
- **DIGITALIS**
- **R. BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK**

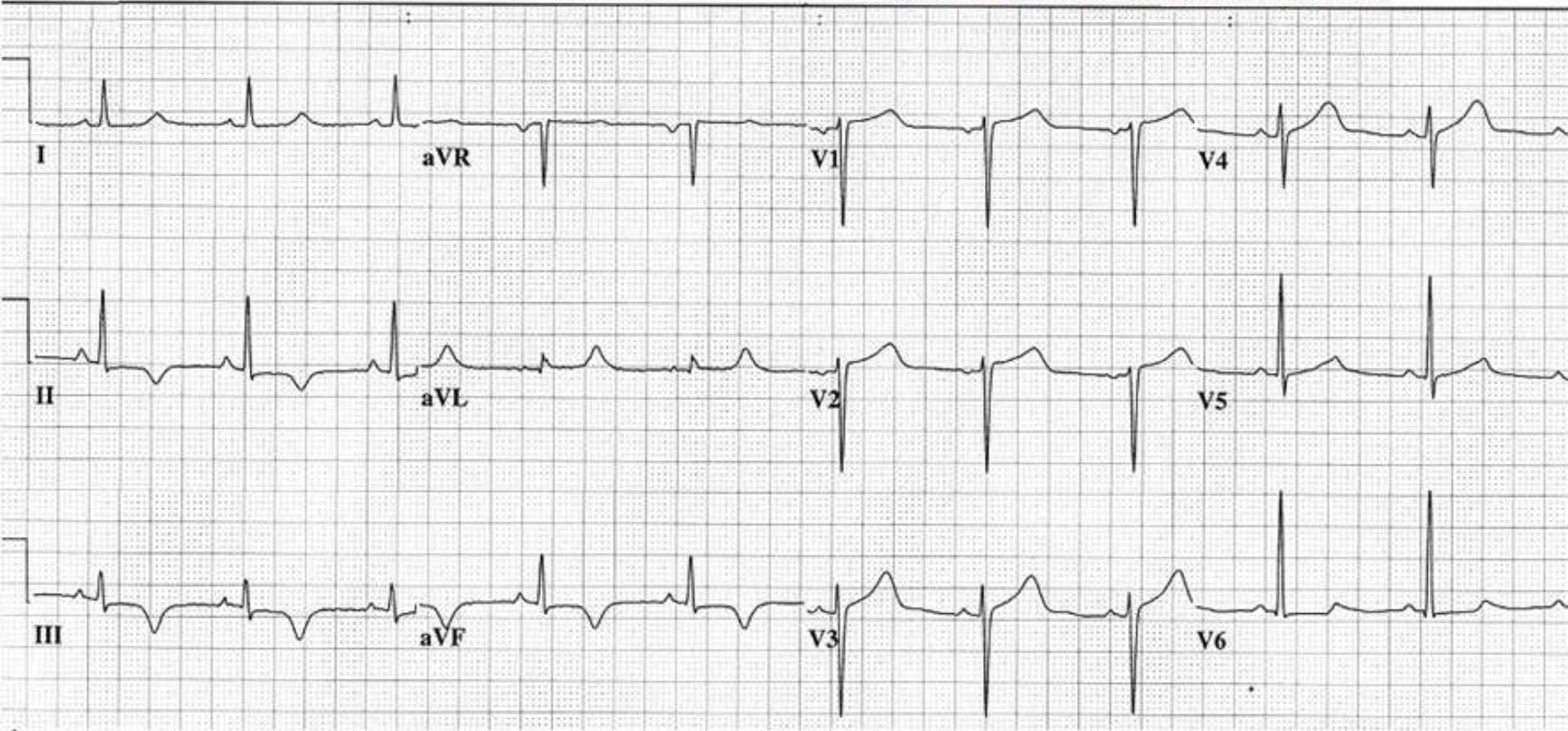
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Room:S5  
Loc:3 Option:23

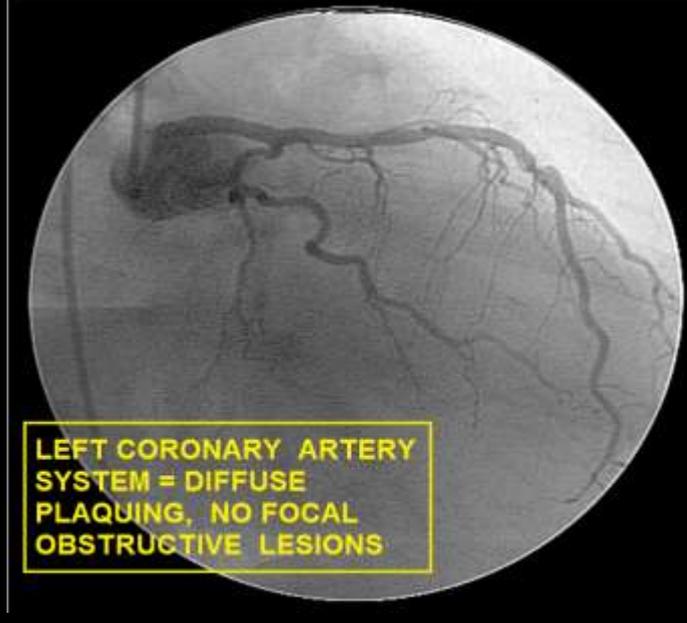
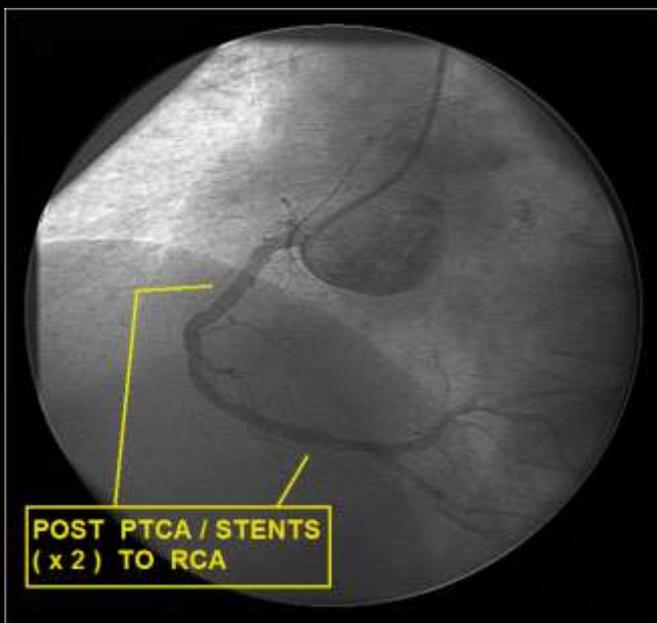
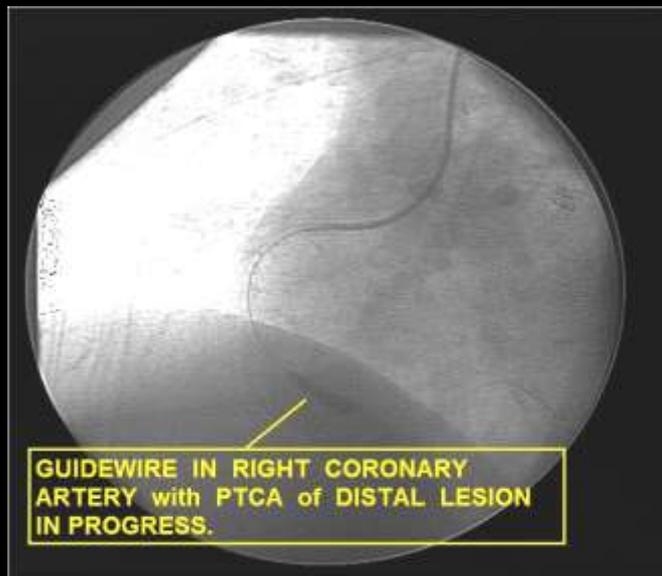
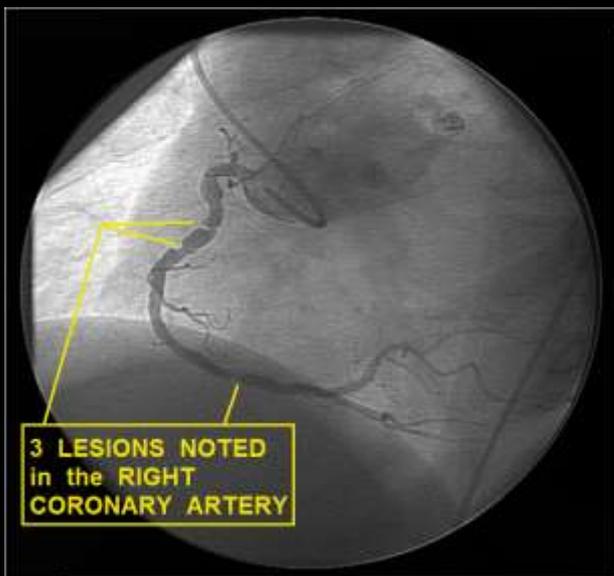
Vent. rate 63 BPM  
PR interval 142 ms  
QRS duration 74 ms  
QT/QTc 462/472 ms  
P-R-T axes 65 42 -72



### EVALUATE THE EKG FOR:

- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION
- HYPERACUTE T WAVES
- FLAT / CONVEX J-T APEX SEGMENTS
- OTHER ST-T WAVE ABNORMALITIES
- ABNORMAL R WAVE PROGRESSION / TRANSITION





# T WAVE INVERSION - COMMON ETIOLOGIES:

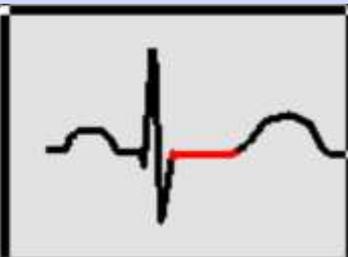
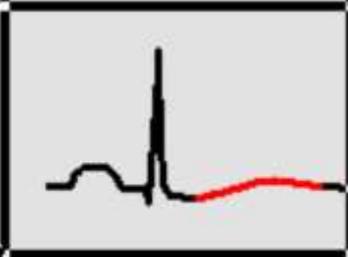
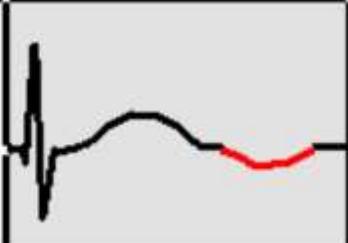
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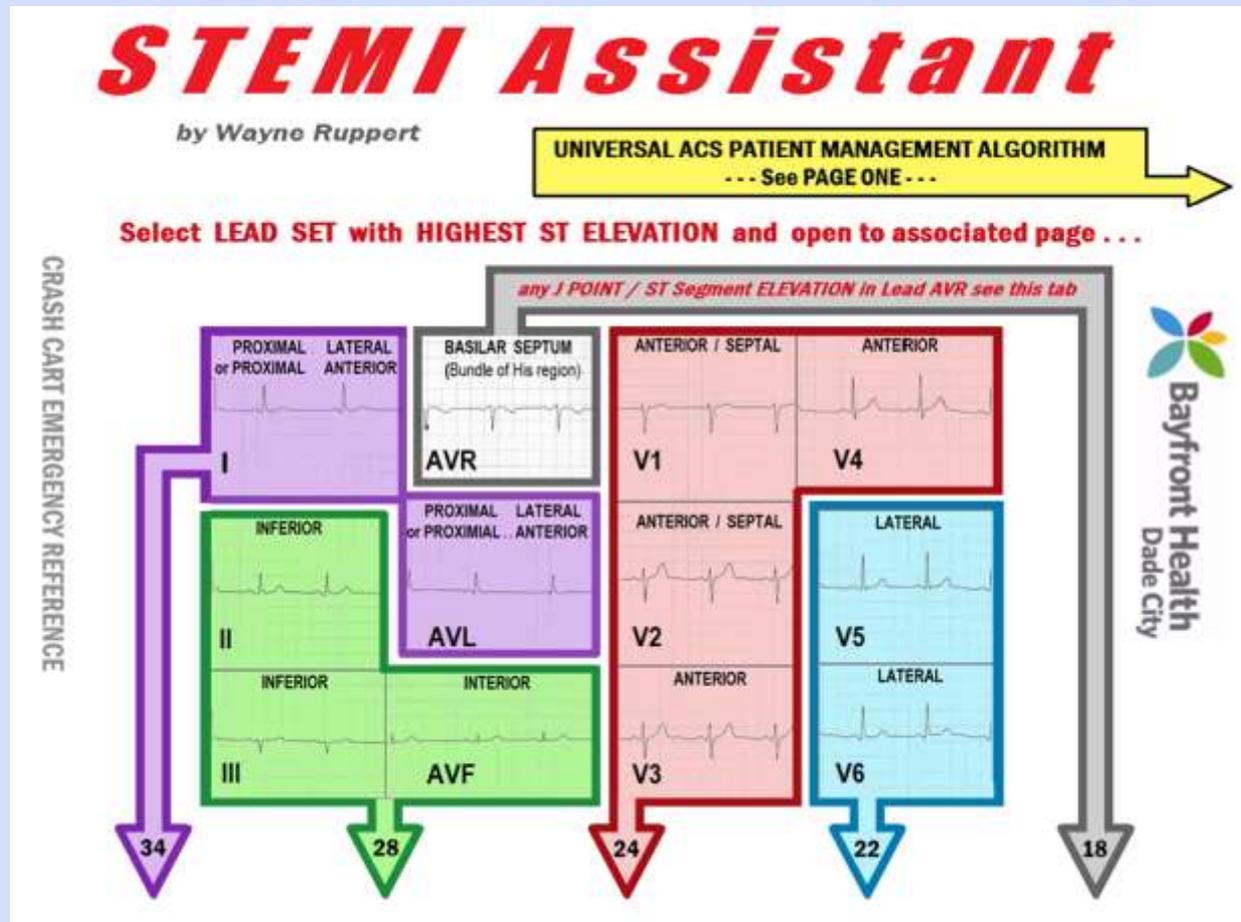
## CONDITION:

- **MYOCARDITIS**
- **ELECTROLYTE IMBALANCE**
- **ISCHEMIA**
- **POSITIVE STRESS TEST**
- **CEREBRAL DISORDER**
- **MITRAL VALVE PROLAPSE**
- **VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY**
- **WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE**
- **HYPERVENTILATION**
- **CARDIOACTIVE DRUGS**
- **OLD MI ( NECROSIS vs. ISCHEMIA )**
- **DIGITALIS**
- **R. BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK**
- **NO OBVIOUS CAUSE**

# Some less common, less reliable possible indicators of ACS:

? FLAT S-T SEGMENT > 120 ms		- ISCHEMIA
? LOW VOLTAGE T WAVE WITH NORMAL QRS		- ISCHEMIA
? U WAVE POLARITY OPPOSITE THAT OF T WAVE		- ISCHEMIA

# **STEMI Assistant:** an Emergency Crash Cart Interactive Reference Manual - free Download



**STEMI Assistant – Information Video**

# Helpful STEMI ECG Resources

[1] [“Use of the Electrocardiogram in Acute Myocardial Infarction,” Zimetbaum, et al, NEJM 348:933-940](#)

[Abnormal ST Elevation Criteria: ACC/AHA 2009 “Standardization and Interpretation of the ECG, Part VI Acute Ischemia and Infarction,” Galen Wagner, et al](#)

[ECG in STEMI – excellent powerpoint – quick reference, in-depth material](#)

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