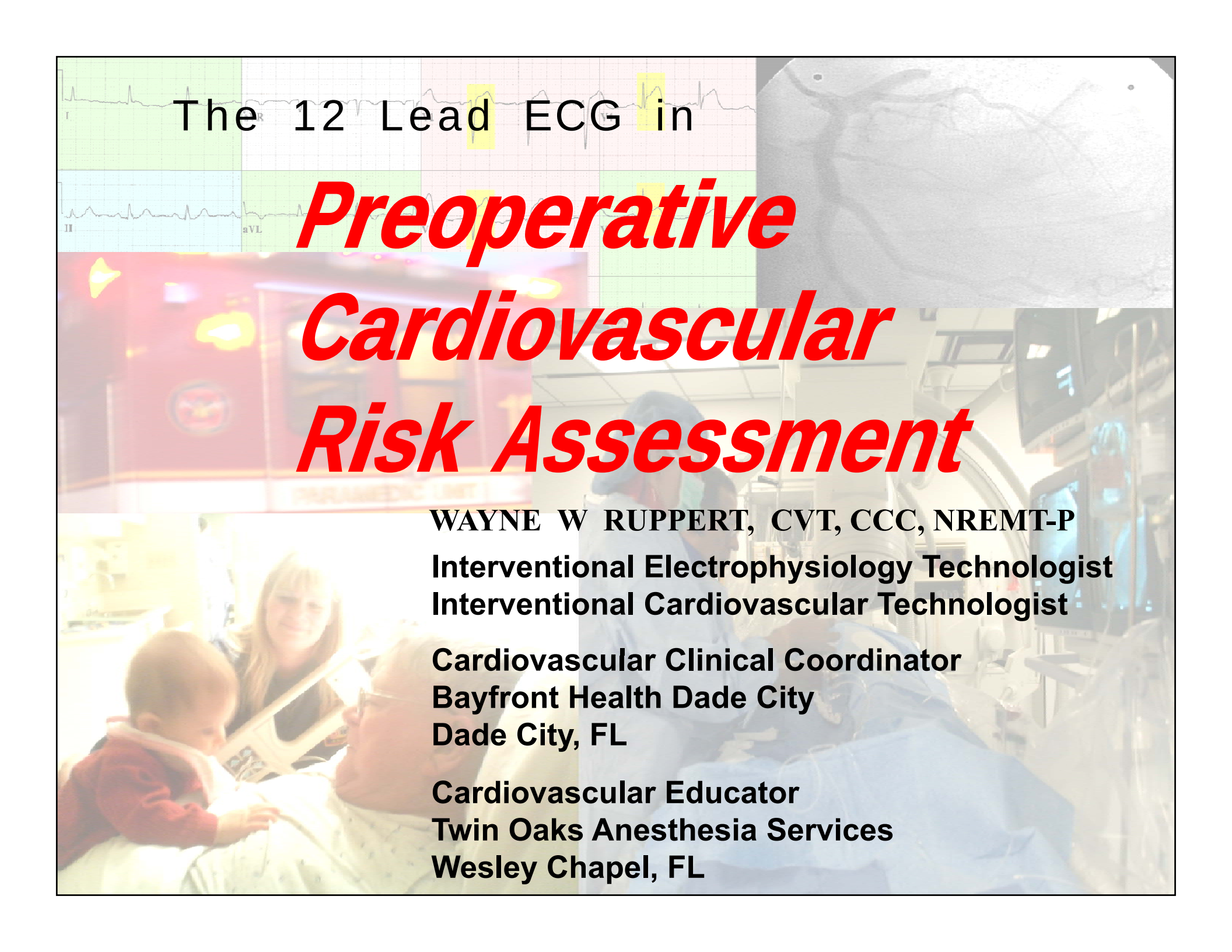




The 12 Lead ECG in

Preoperative Cardiovascular Risk Assessment

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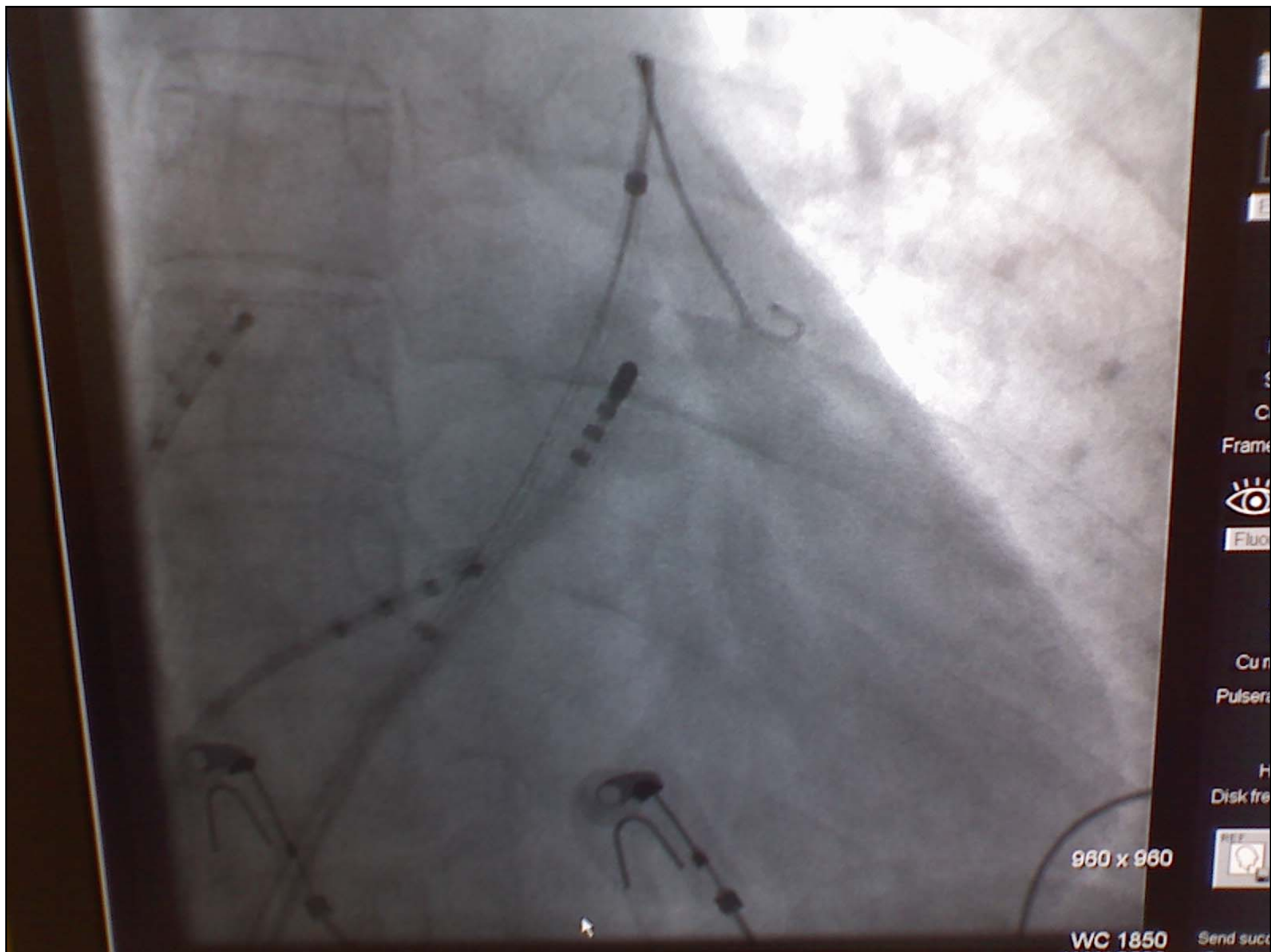
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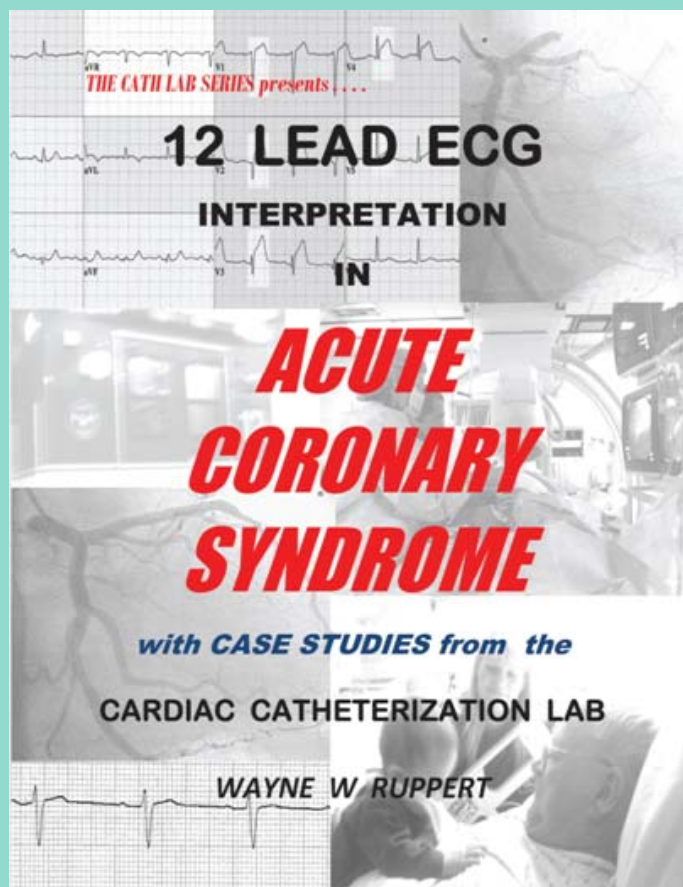
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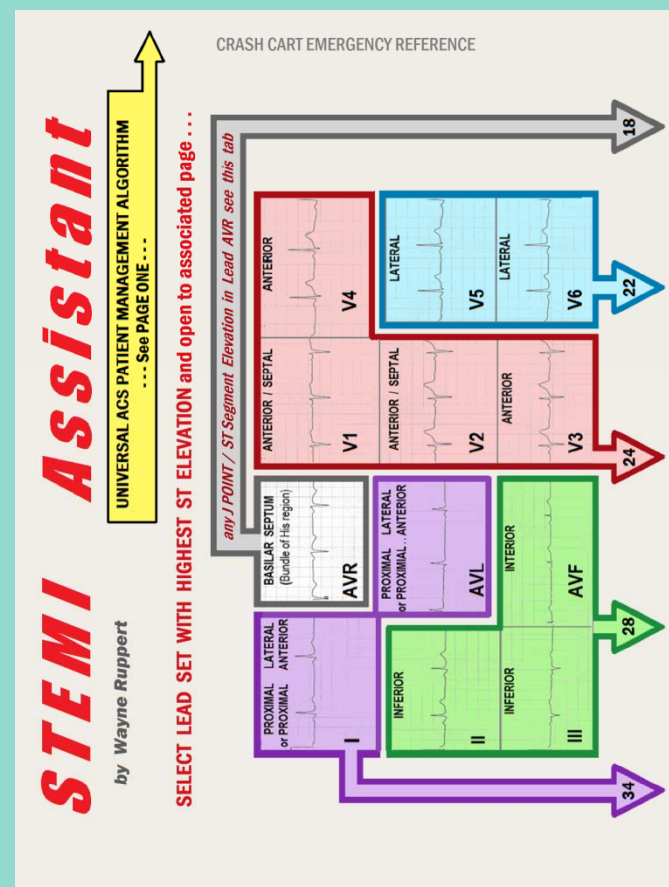








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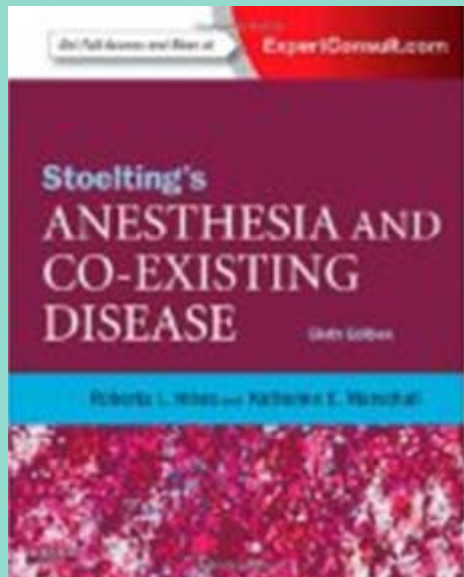
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- Myocardial Ischemia
- Old MI
- Brugada Syndrome
- Long QT Syndrome (LQTS)
- Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome (WPW)
- Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Dysplasia (ARVD)
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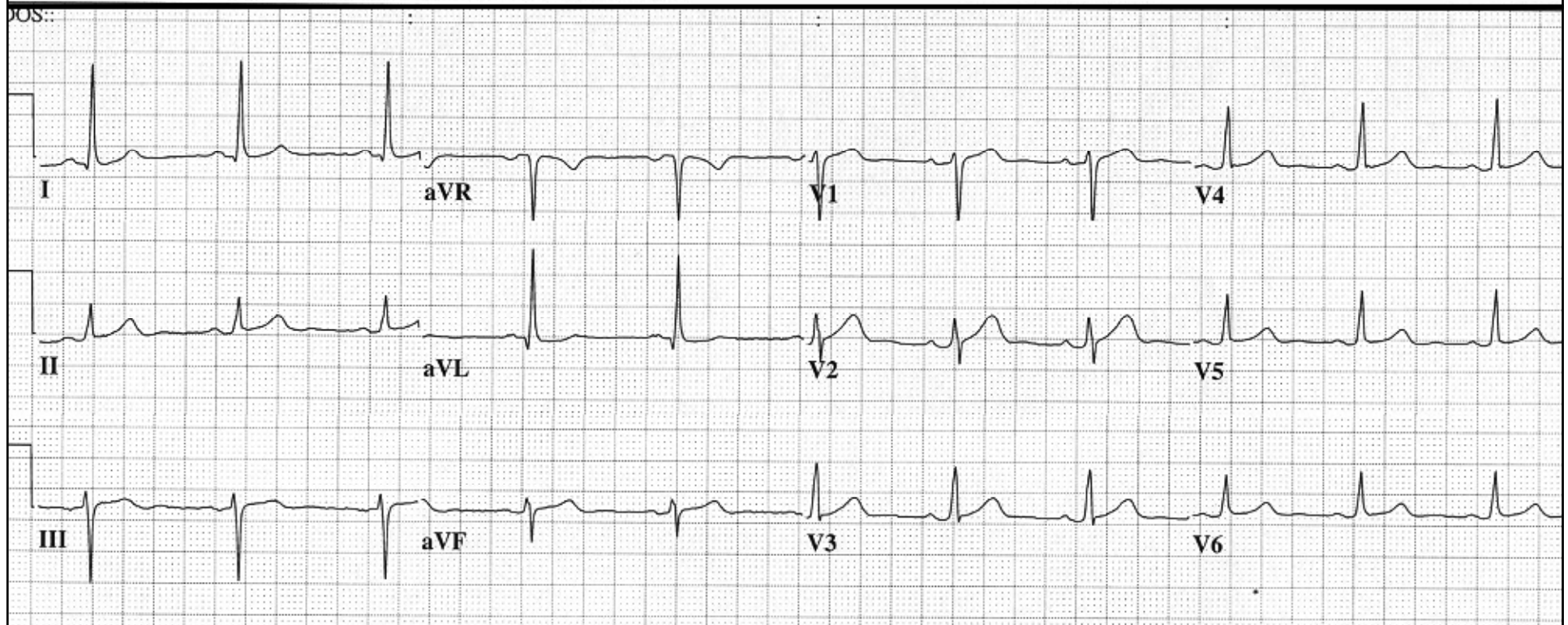
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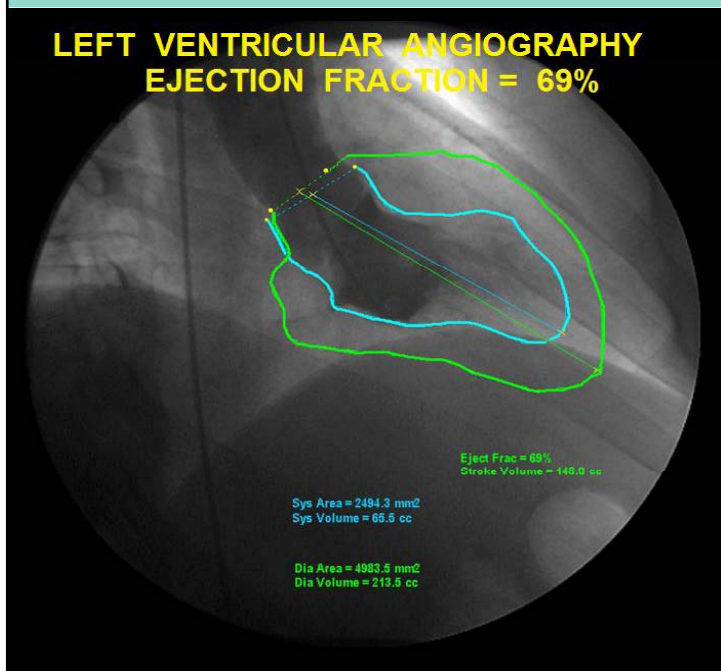
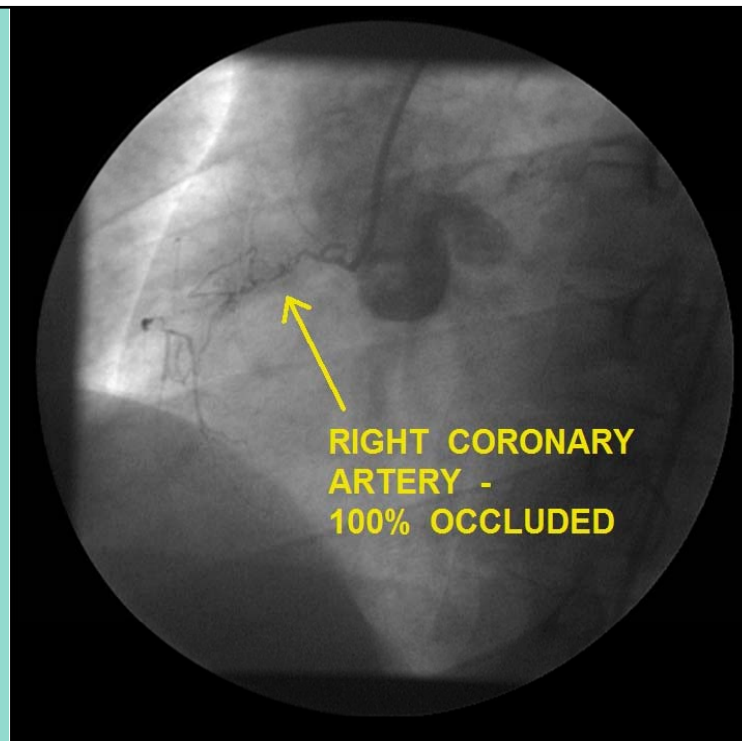
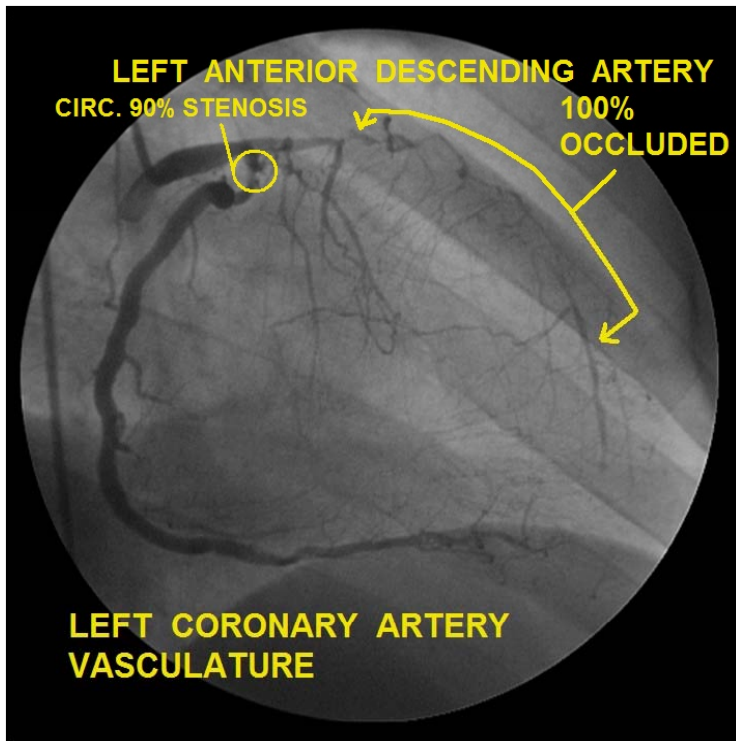
- 12 Lead ECG
- Echocardiogram
- Stress Test
- CT / MRI
- Cardiac Catheterization

The need for PREOPERATIVE CAD Risk Factor Assessment

Does the **NORMAL ECG** rule out **OBSTRUCTIVE** Coronary Artery Disease ??

45 yr		Vent. rate	65	BPM
Male	Caucasian	PR interval	160	ms
		QRS duration	86	ms
		QT/QTc	384/399	ms
Loc:7	Option:35	P-R-T axes	11 -8	55



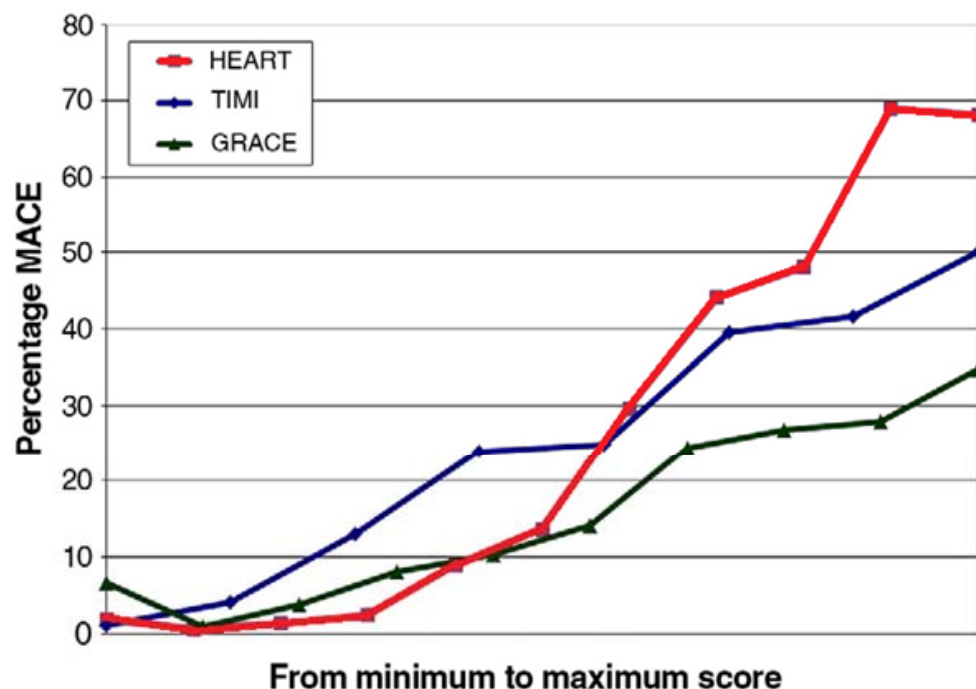


“The WORST coronary vasculature I have seen in nearly 20 years -- an estimated 12,000 cases -- in the CATH LAB . . . And this patient’s 12 Lead ECG was essentially normal !!”

ACS Risk Stratification: HEART Score

History	Highly suspicious	2
	Moderately suspicious	1
	Slightly/not suspicious	0
ECG	ST Depression	2
	Non-specific repol. Abnormality.....	1
	Normal	0
Age	65 +	2
	45-65	1
	< 45	0
Risk Factors	3 + Risk Factors –or-- known CAD	2
	1 or 2 Risk Factors	1
	No known Risk Factors	0
Troponin	3X or more normal limit	2
	2 x normal limit	1
	Normal	0

Comparison of PREDICTIVE RELIABILITY of the HEART SCORE to the Modified TIMI and GRACE ACS Risk Scores:



C-Statistic scores achieved in this study:

HEART: 0.83

TIMI: 0.75

GRACE: 0.70

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CLASS IIa

1. A validated risk-prediction tool can be useful in predicting the risk of perioperative MACE in patients undergoing noncardiac surgery (37,114,115). (Level of Evidence: B)

Regarding ACS Risk Stratification tools:

- Modified TIMI ACS Score has been “national standard” for several years
- **“Modified TIMI Risk Score CANNOT be used to identify low-risk chest pain in the ED”**
Emerg Med J 2014 Apr; 31 (14):281-5
- **“Prospective Validation of HEART Score for Chest Pain patient in the ED,”**
Int J Cardiol 2013 Oct 3;168(3):2153-8
- Study to validate Simple Acute Coronary Syndrome (SACS) Score + comparison to HEART and Modified TIMI: www.clinicaltrials.gov NIH
Study ID # NCT02358148

The Simple Acute Coronary Syndrome (SACS) Score

Developed in 2009 from noting correlations between patients' SYMPTOMS, ECG RESULTS, RISK FACTOR PROFILE and CARDIAC MARKERS in approximately 12,000 patients.

A scientific study to VALIDATE this score, and to compare its accuracy and reliability to the Modified TIMI and HEART Scores for predicting the presence of OBSTRUCTIVE CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE is in progress at Bayfront Health St Petersburg and Bayfront Health Dade City.

NIH Study ID # NCT02358148

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Simple Acute Coronary Syndrome Score:			
SYMPTOMS		POINTS ASSIGNED	TOTAL POINTS
CHECK ONE:	♦ TYPICAL ACS - eg: - CHEST PAIN (pressure / heaviness / dull) (may radiate to neck/ shoulders/ jaw/ arm) - DYSPNEA (may or may not be present)	2	
	♦ ATYPICAL ACS - eg: EPIGASTRIC PAIN / UNUSUAL FATIGUE / WEAKNESS / DIZZINESS / DIB COLD SWEATS / NAUSEA / PALPITATIONS	1	
	♦ NONE RELEVANT	0	
ECG			
CHECK ONE:	♦ ST ELEVATION (2010 AHA/ACC Criteria) HYPERACUTE T WAVES - and/or - CONVEX ST SEGMENTS DYNAMIC ST SEGMENT and/or T WAVE CHANGES IN SERIAL EKGs -- ANY of ABOVE in 2 or more contiguous leads NEW or PRESUMABLY NEW LBBB	2	
	♦ ST DEPRESSION (>0.5 mm @ J POINT) and/or INVERTED or BIPHASIC T WAVES and/or PREVIOUSLY UNDIAGNOSED Q WAVES &/or ABNORMAL R WAVE PROGRESSION (CONSISTENT WITH MYOCARDIAL INJURY /NECROSIS) (any of the above IN 2 or MORE CONTIGUOUS LEADS)	1	
	♦ NORMAL or NON-DIAGNOSTIC EKG	0	
RISK FACTORS for CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE			
CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:			
	♦ PREVIOUSLY DIAGNOSED CORONARY ARTERY DISEASE (CAD) and / or FAMILY HISTORY DIABETES ↑ LDL and/or ↓ HDL SMOKING AGE: 65 or MORE HYPERTENSION	1	
	♦ 3 or MORE RISK FACTORS: NO Hx OF CAD & LESS THAN 3 RISK FACTORS:	0	
CARDIAC MARKERS			
CHECK ONE:	♦ TROPONIN and/or CK/MB - ANY ELEVATION ABOVE YOUR INSTITUTION'S NORMAL RANGE:	1	
	♦ NORMAL	0	
TOTAL SCORE →			



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HEART Score

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SACS Score

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AREAS VIEWED by 12 LEAD ECG



AVR	<i>BASILAR SEPTAL</i>
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AVL, I	LATERAL ANTERIOR
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V1, V2	ANTERIOR
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	SEPTAL
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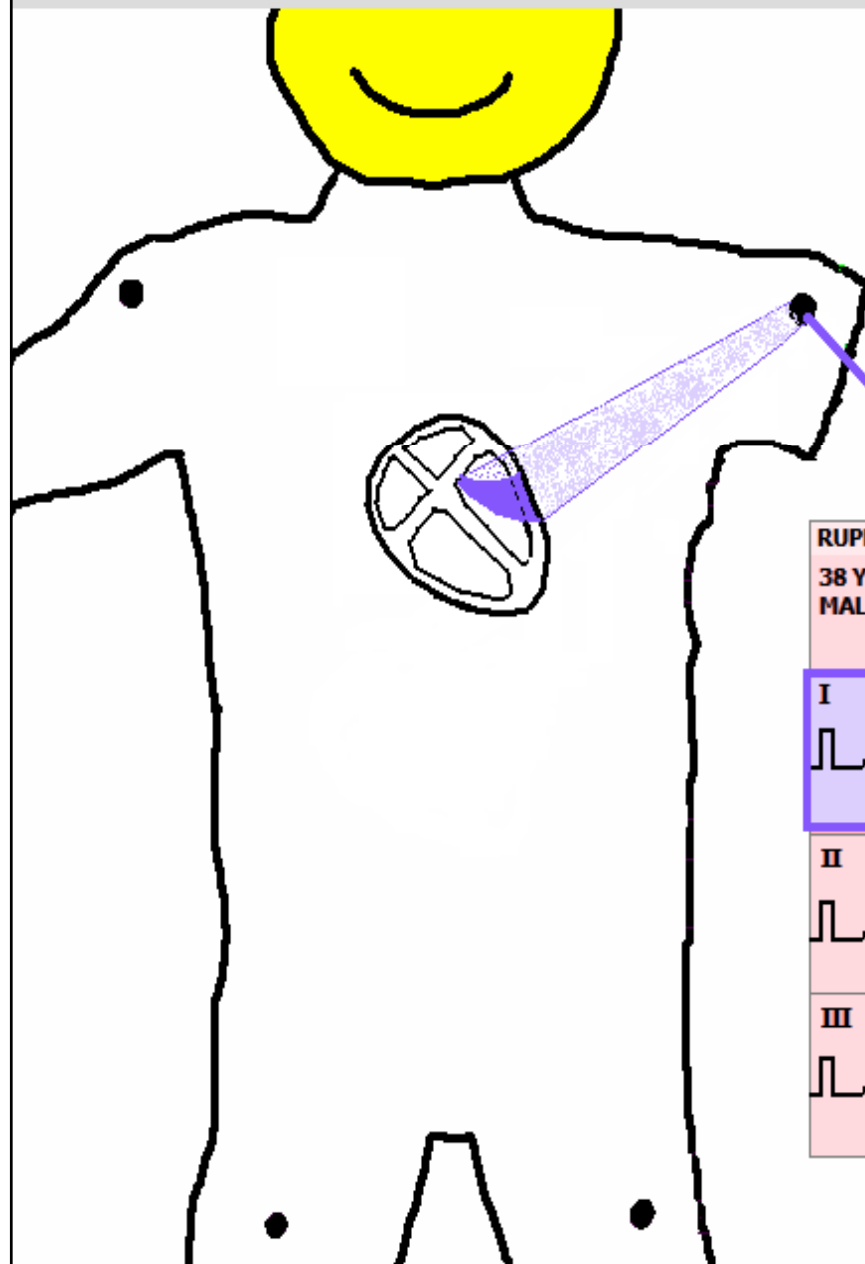
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V3, V4	ANTERIOR
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V5, V6	LATERAL
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II, III, AVF	INFERIOR
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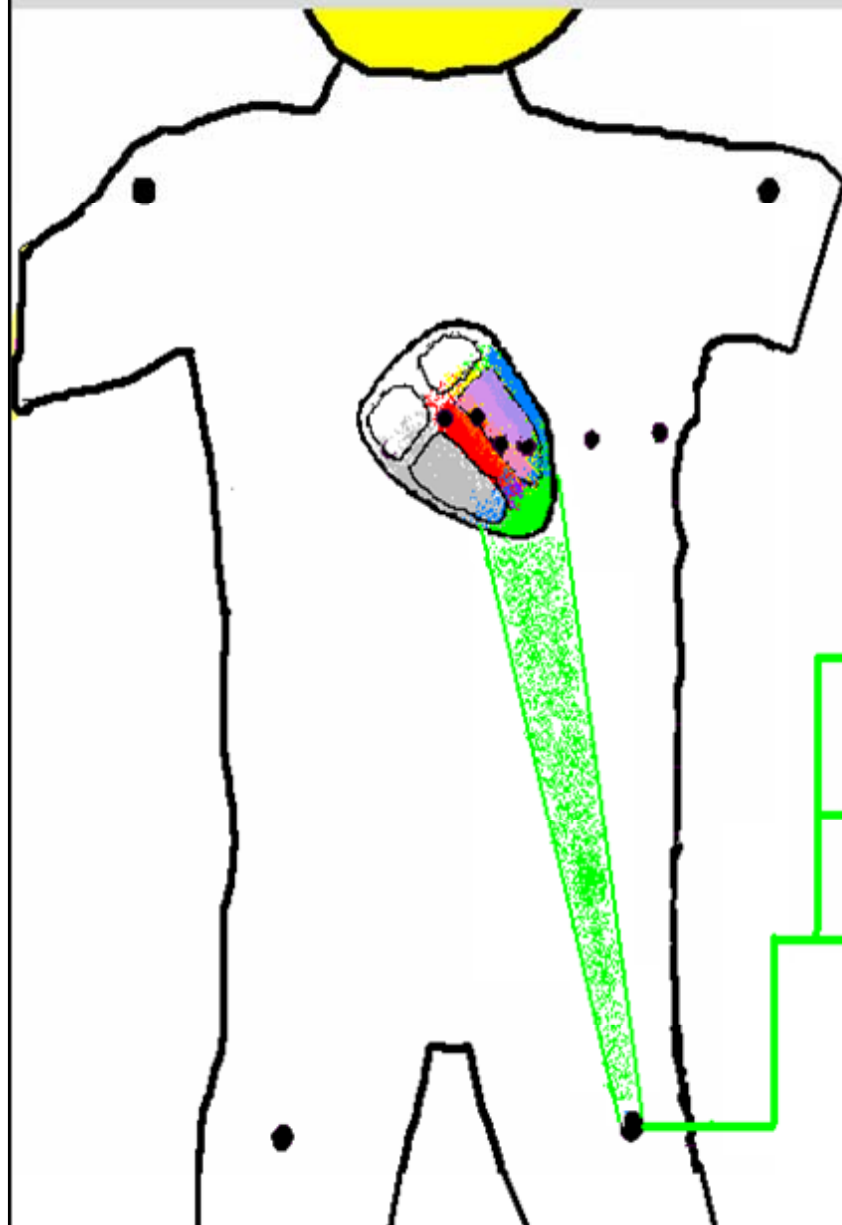
LEADS I and aVL view the ANTERIOR-LATERAL JUNCTION



RUPPERT, WAYNE		ID: 744568369	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	

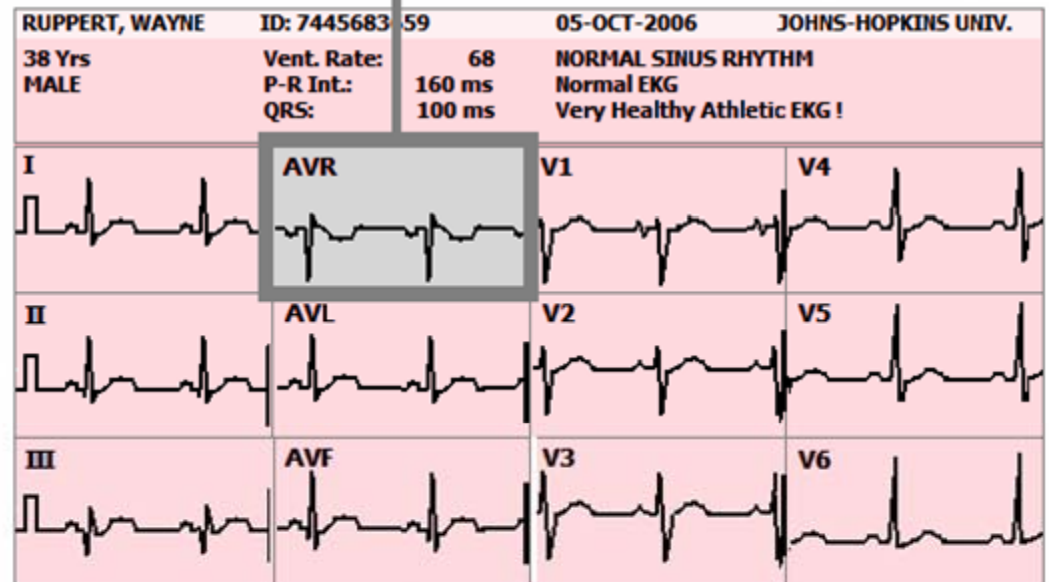
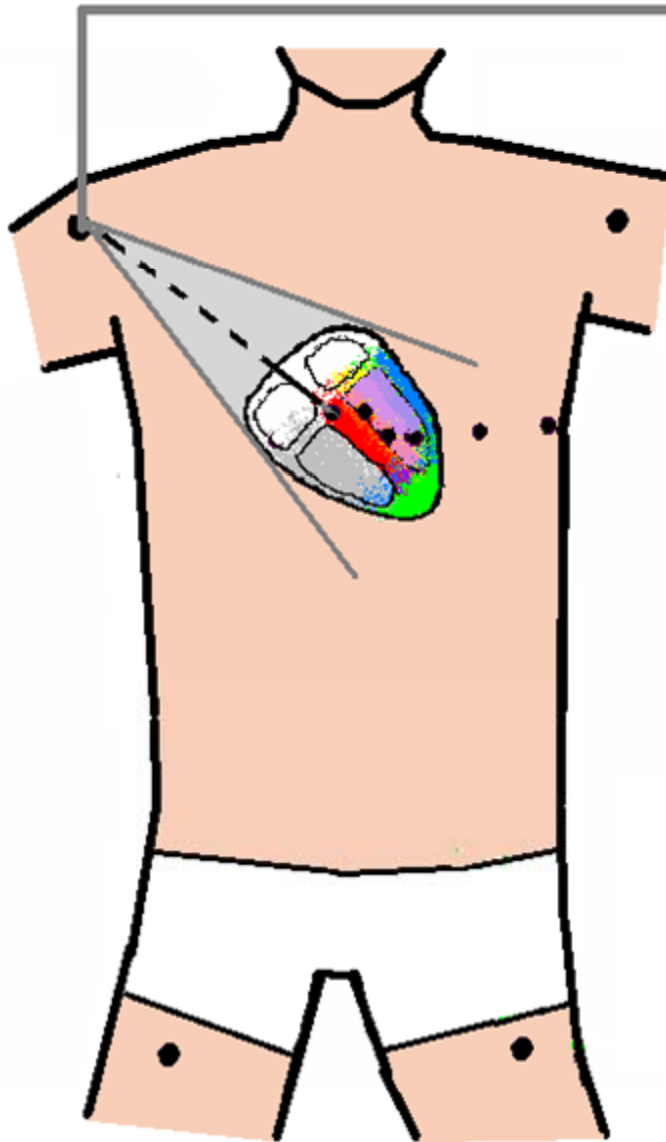
LEADS II, III, and aVF VIEW

INFERIOR WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE



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

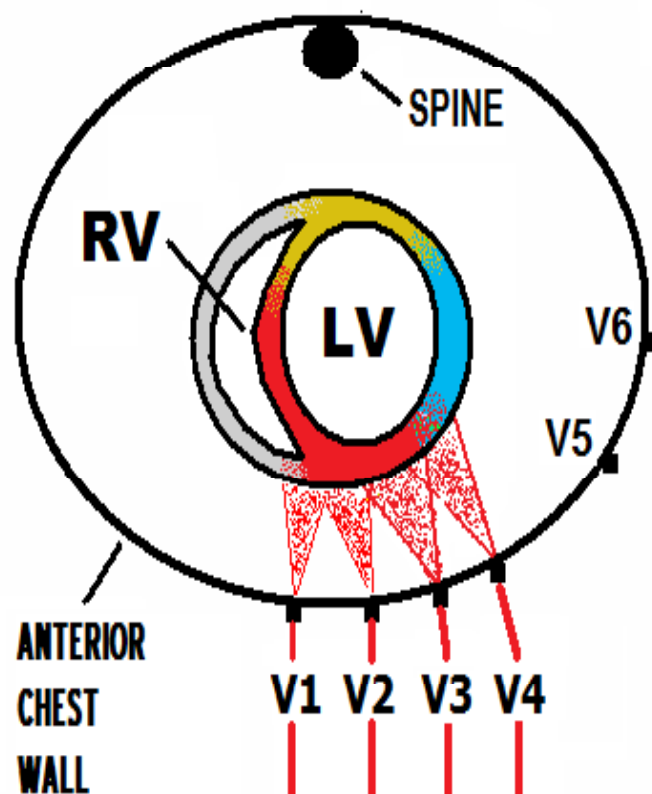
Lead AVR Views the BASILAR SEPTUM (region of the Bundle of His):



The LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY provides the blood supply to the BASILAR SEPTUM.

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

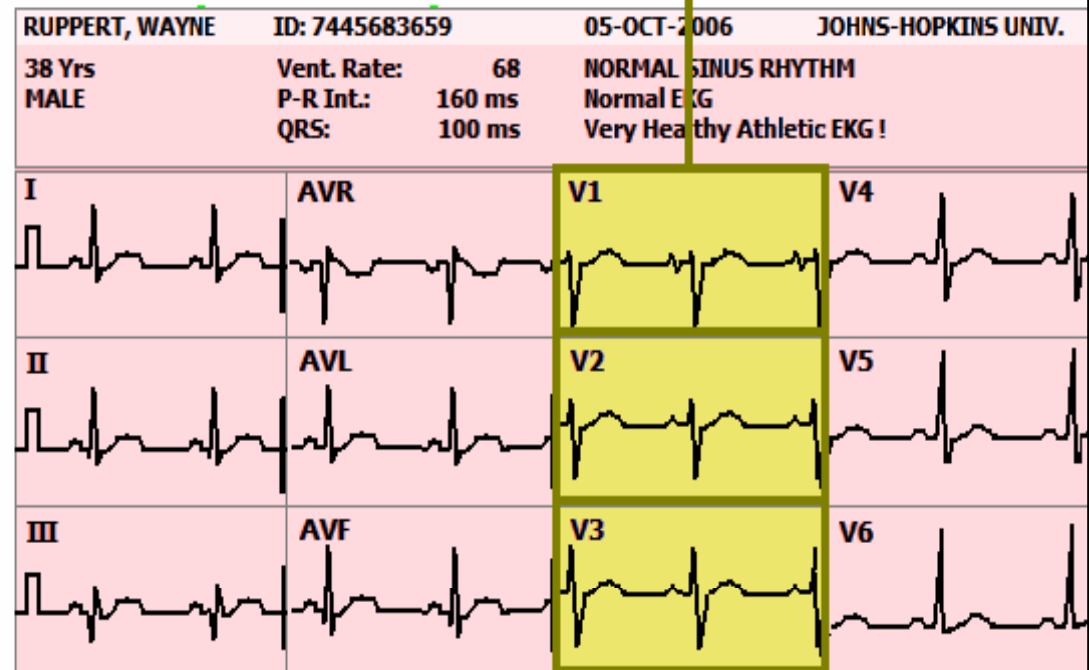
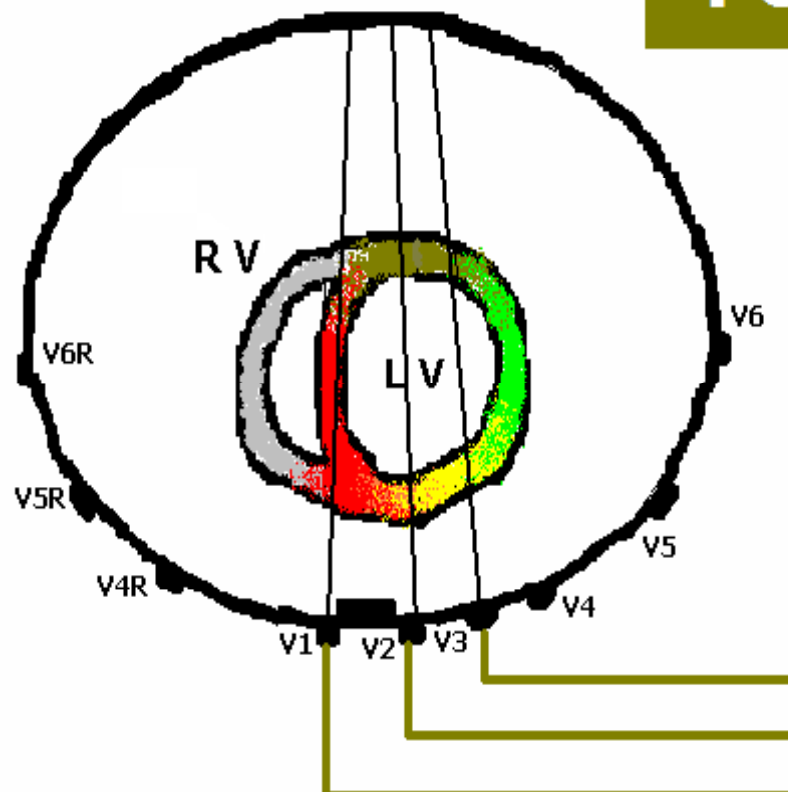
V1, V2 - ANTERIOR / SEPTAL
V3, V4 - ANTERIOR



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LEADS V1 - V3 *view the*

POSTERIOR WALL

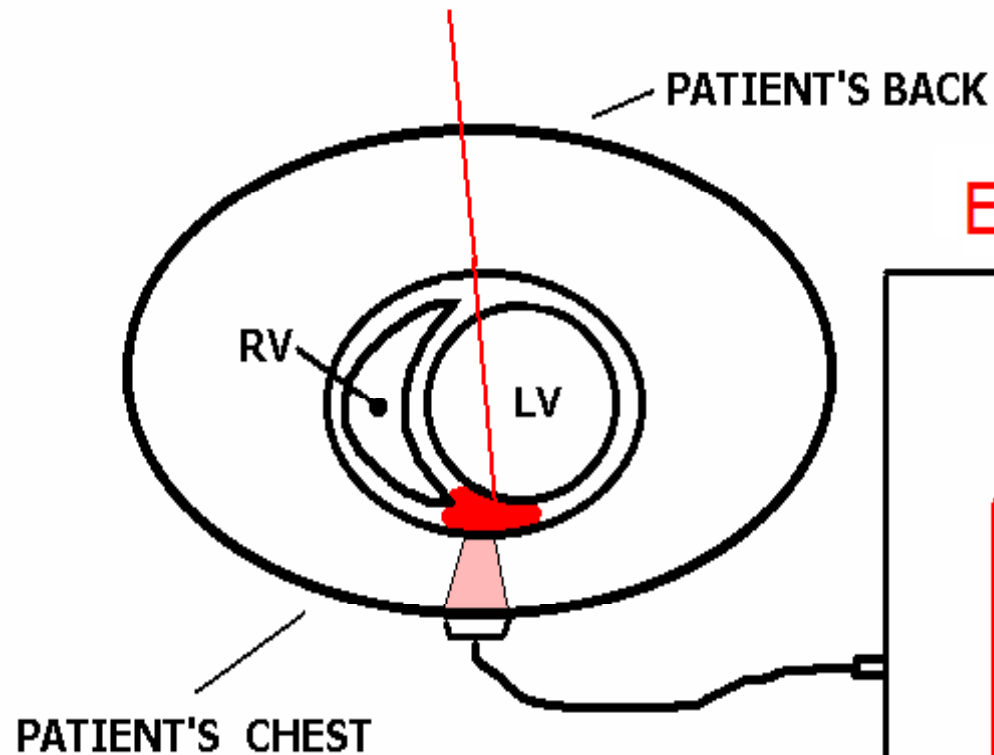


via **RECIPROCAL CHANGES.**

HOW EKG VIEWS INDICATIVE CHANGES

EXAMPLE:

AREA OF ACUTE INFARCTION - ANTERIOR/SEPTAL



EKG sees S-T ELEVATION

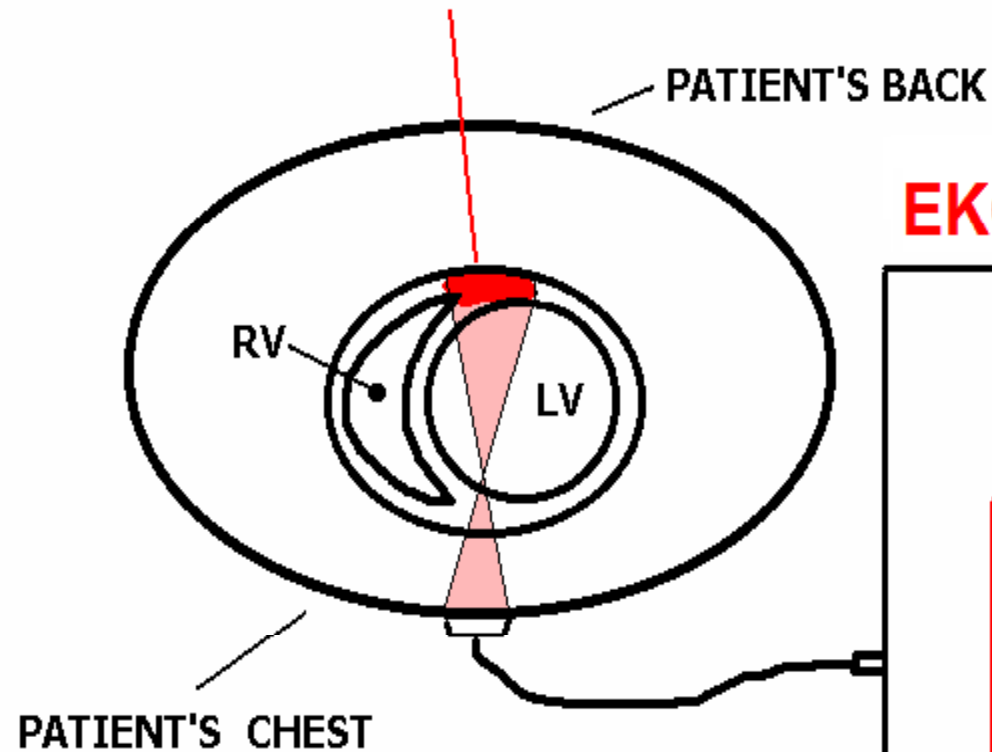
ECG LEAD V2



HOW EKG VIEWS RECIPROCAL CHANGES

EXAMPLE:

AREA OF ACUTE INFARCTION - POSTERIOR WALL

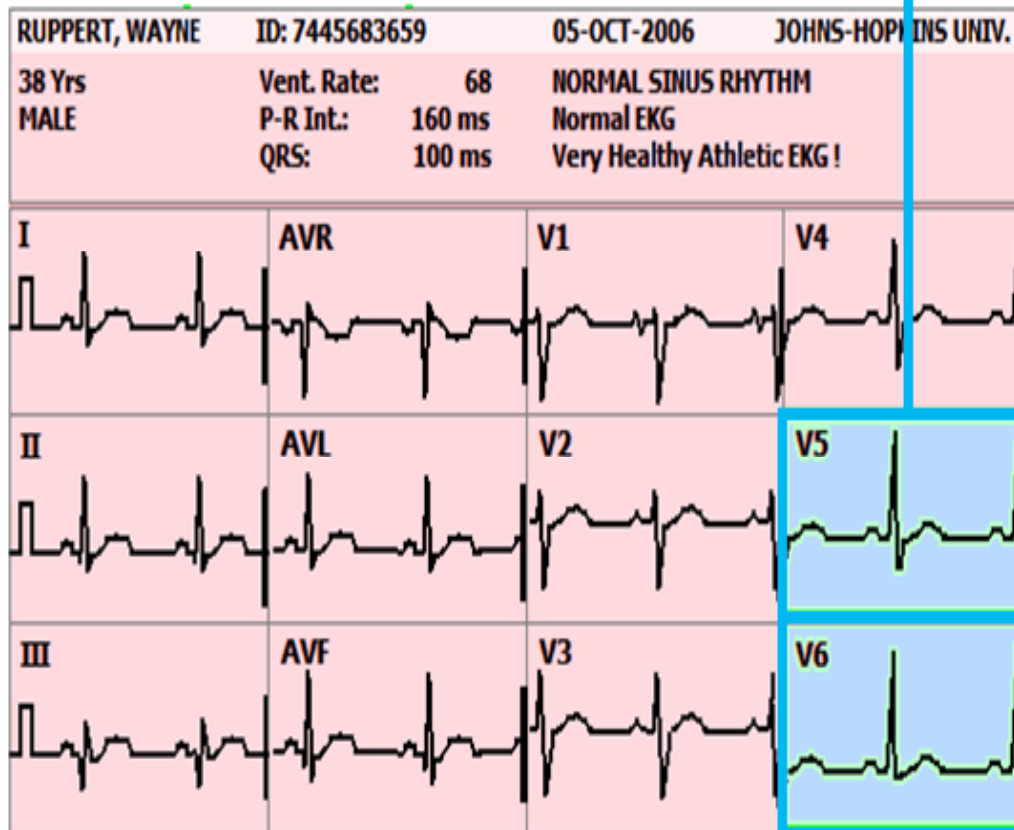
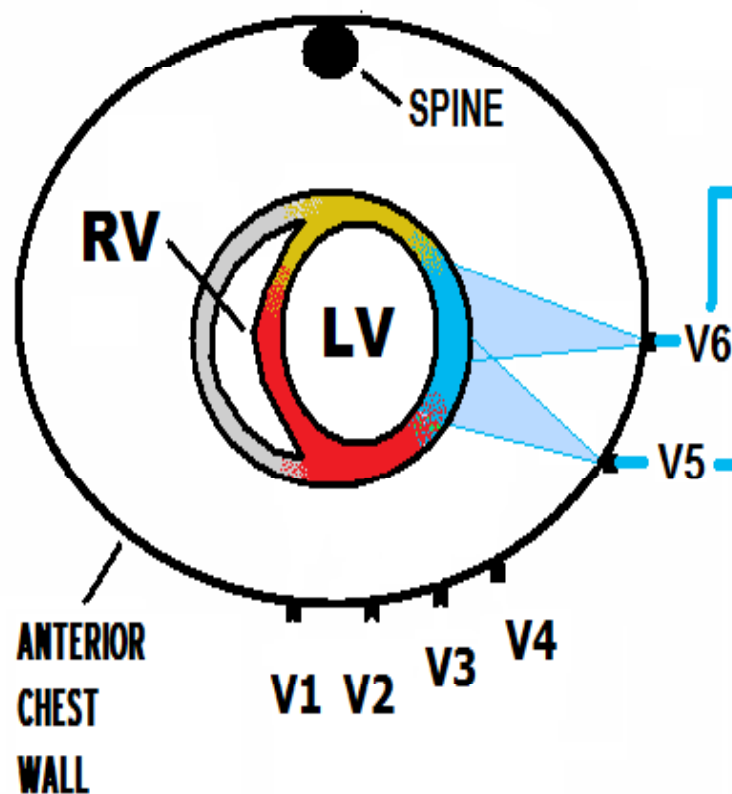


EKG sees S-T DEPRESSION

ECG LEAD V2

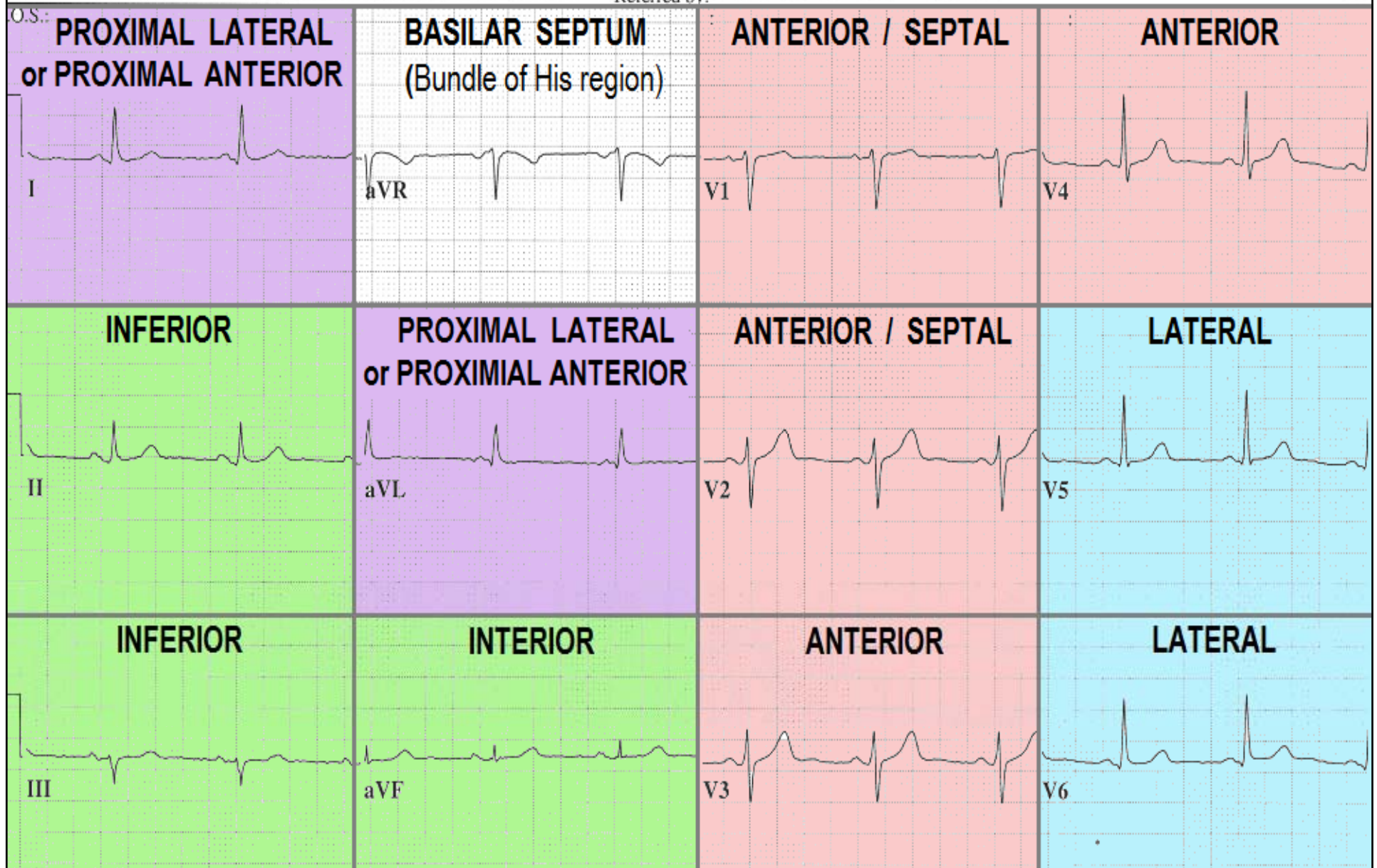


V5 - V6 VIEW THE LATERAL WALL of the LEFT VENTRICLE



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

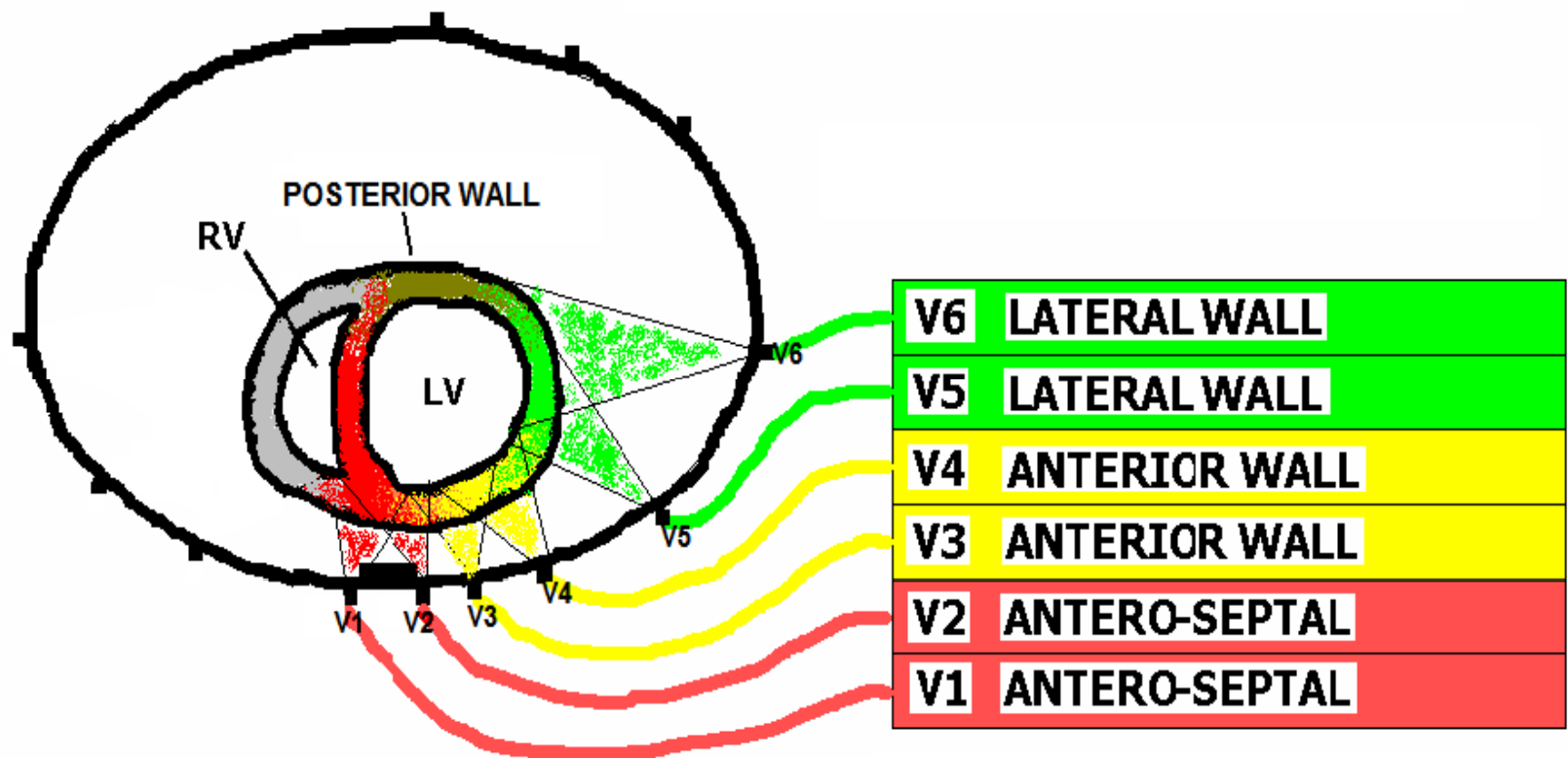
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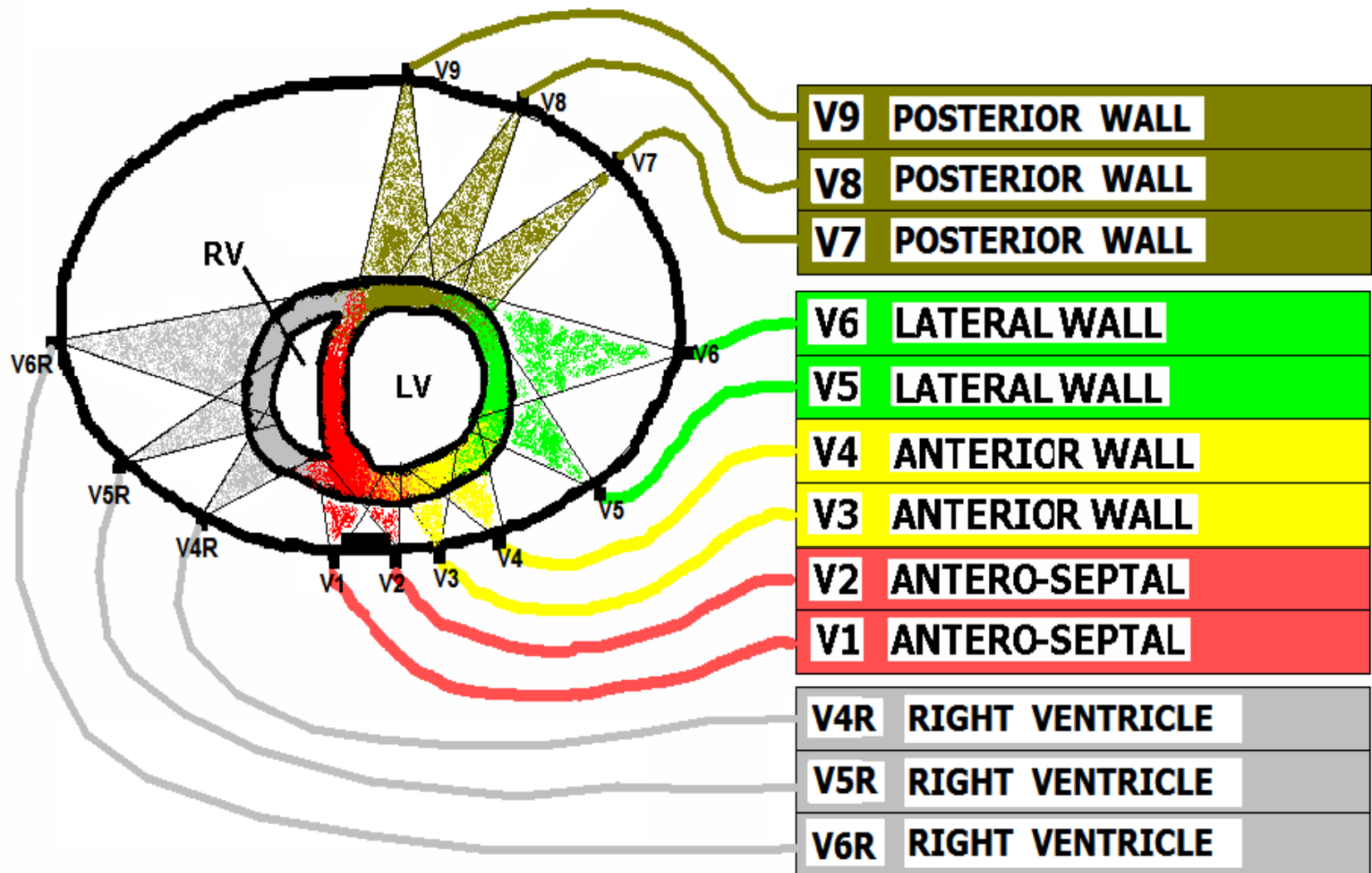
CHEST LEADS V1 - V6

WHAT EACH LEAD "SEES" . . .



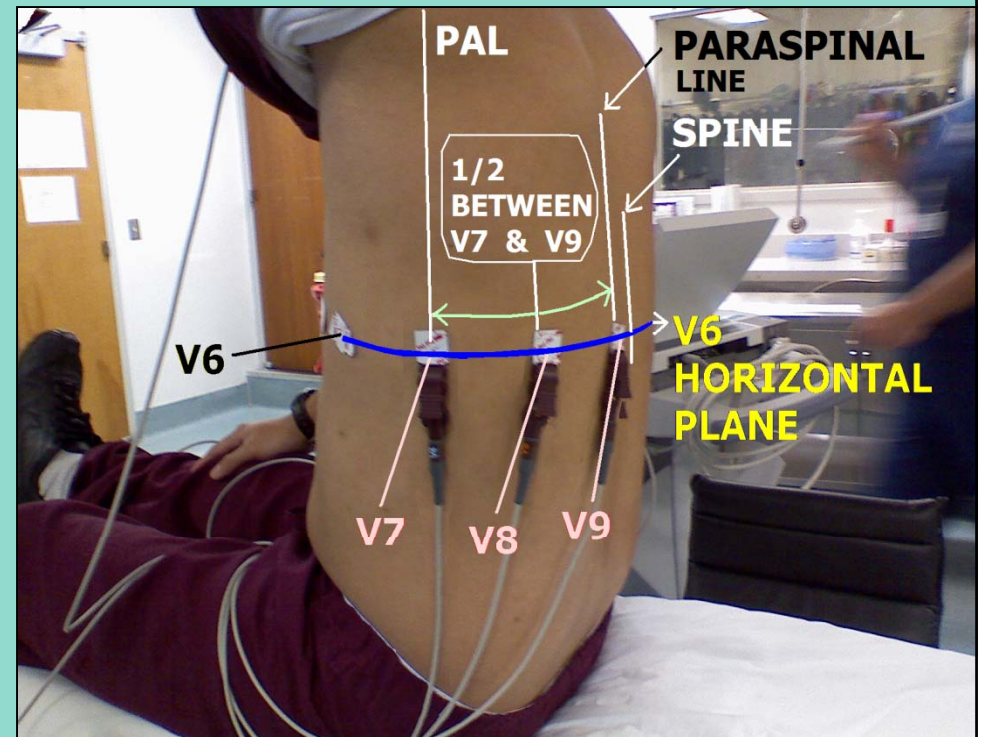
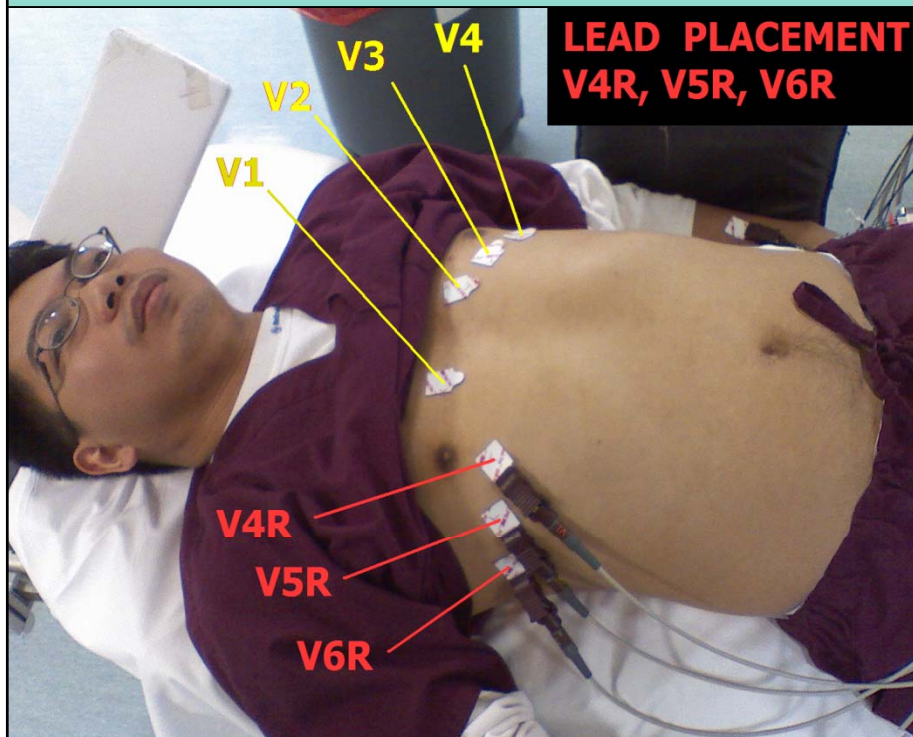
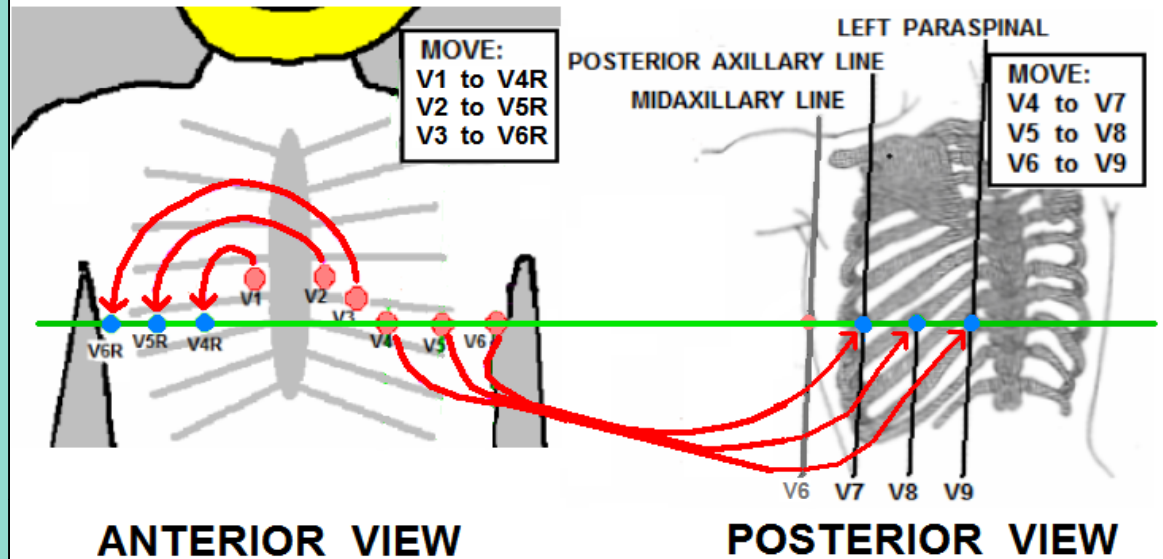
THE 18 LEAD ECG COVERS THE ENTIRE HEART ..

CHEST LEADS V1 - V6 *PLUS* V4R, V5R, V6R, and
WHAT EACH LEAD "SEES" ... V7, V8, V9



To do 18 Lead ECG with 12 Lead machine – after you obtain 12 Lead, reposition CHEST LEADS to this configuration, then print !

HOW TO REPOSITION 6 CHEST LEADS to OBTAIN 3 R VENTRICLE and 3 POSTERIOR LEADS



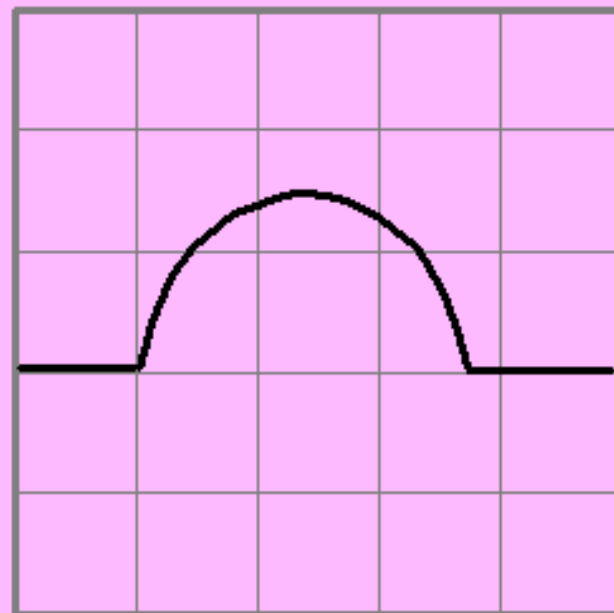
INDICATIONS for 18 Lead ECG include:

- INFERIOR WALL MI**
- ST Depression in
LEADS V1-V4**

Quick Review Of Essential Waveforms

THE P WAVE

- SHOULD BE UPRIGHT, CONVEX-SHAPED DOME IN ALL LEADS EXCEPT AVR and V1
- SHOULD BE LESS THAN .2 mv (2 mm) HIGH
- SHOULD BE LESS THAN 100 ms (2.5mm) LONG



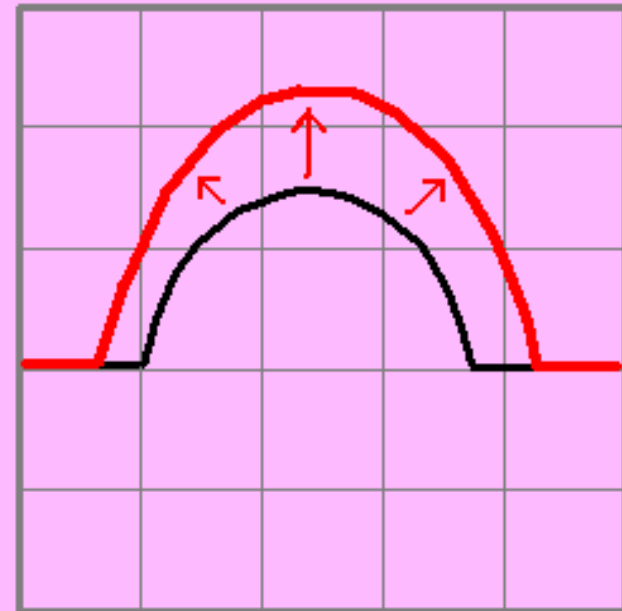
THE P WAVE

When the P WAVE
is

TOO LARGE

We think of

ATRIAL HYPERTROPHY



(SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR ATRIAL HYPERTROPHY IS DISCUSSED IN
MORE DETAIL IN THE "CHAMBER HYPERTROPHY" SECTION)

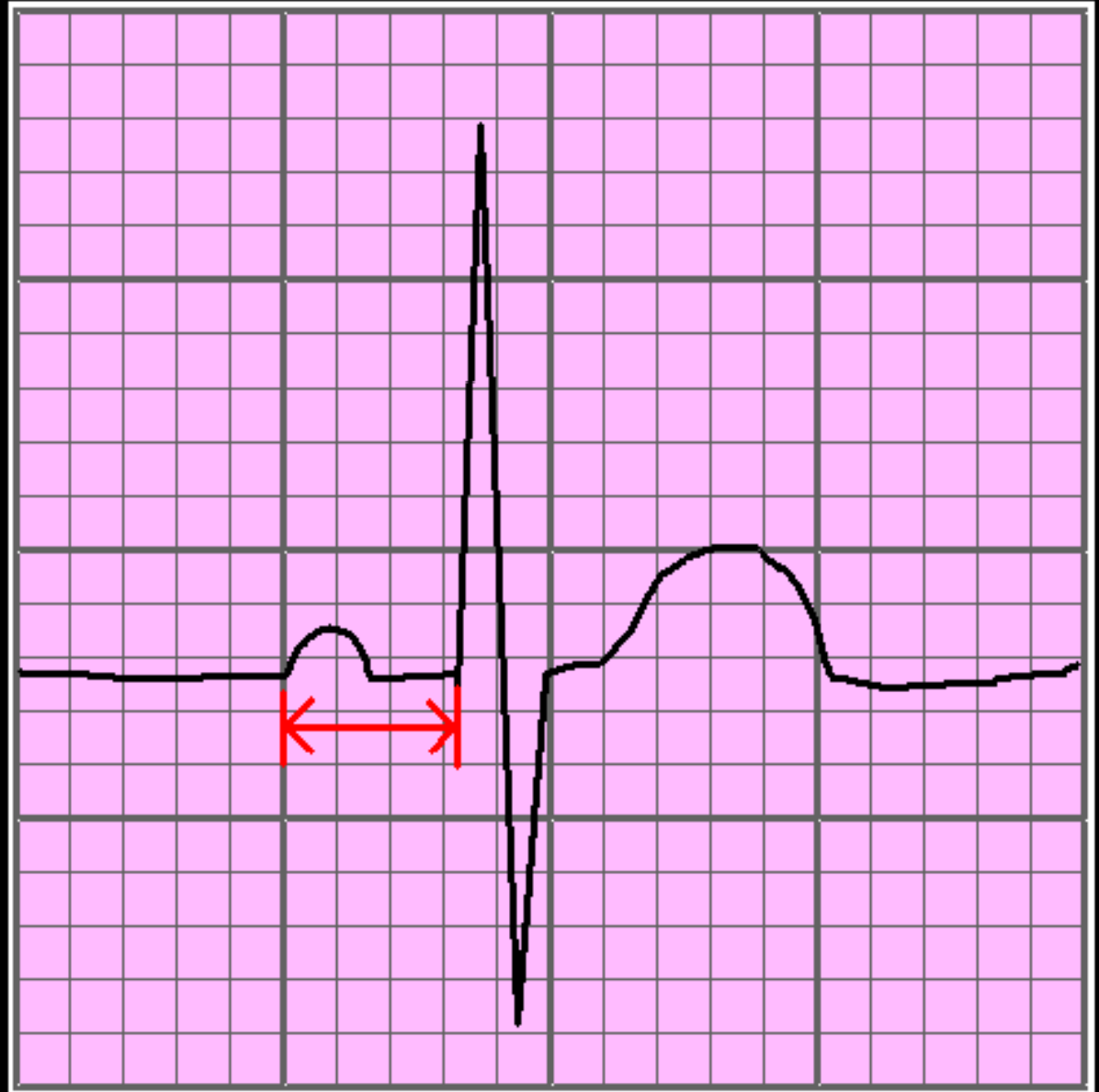
NORMAL P-R INTERVAL

.12 - .20 SEC

or

120 - 200

mSEC



QRS INTERVAL

LESS THAN

.12

OR

120 mSEC



QRS COMPLEX TOO WIDE
WIDER THAN 120 mSEC

THINK:

- **BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK**
- **VENTRICULAR COMPLEX (ES)**
- **PACED RHYTHM**
- **L VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY**
- **ELECTROLYTE IMBAL. ($\uparrow K^+$ $\downarrow Ca^{++}$)**
- **DELTA WAVE (PRE-EXCITATION)**

THE "TURN SIGNAL METHOD" for identifying BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK

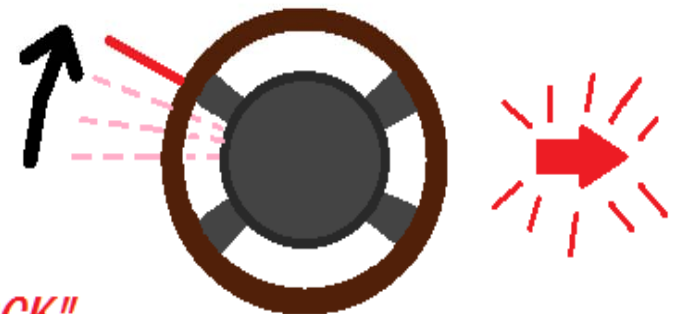
V1

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"

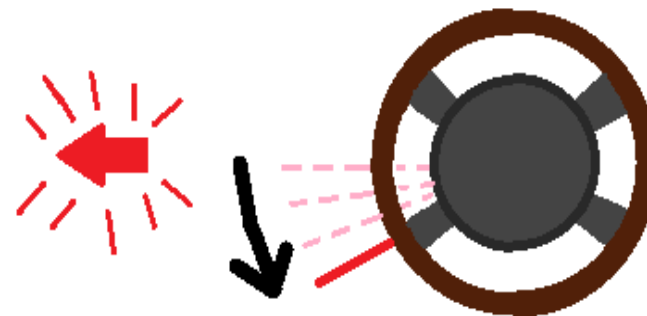


V1

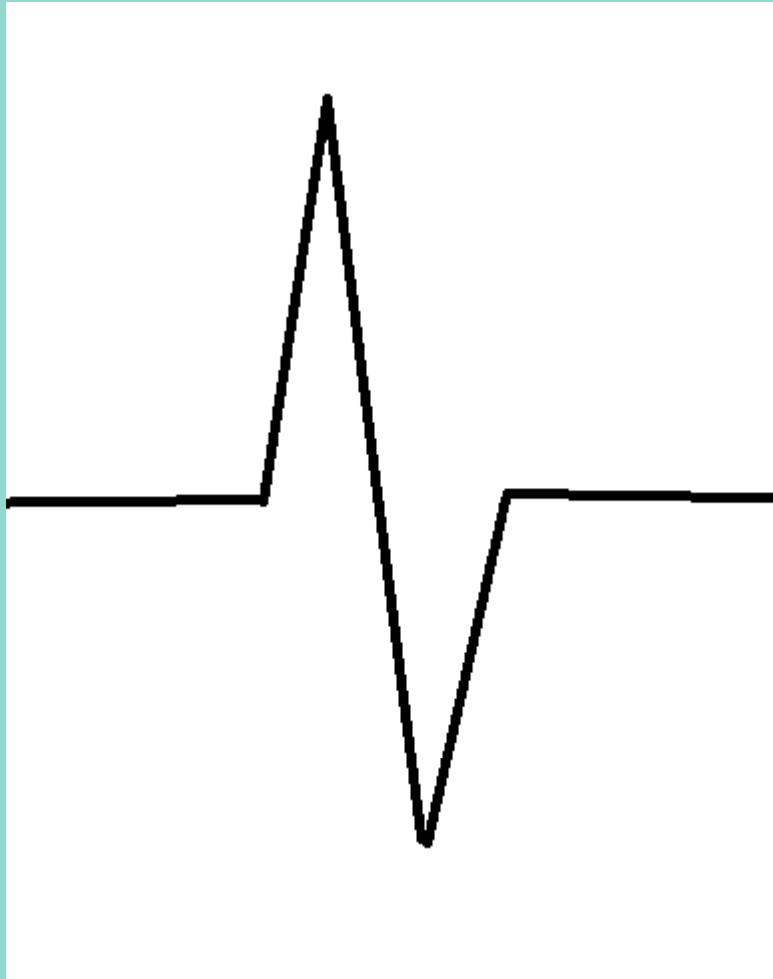
To make a **LEFT TURN**
you push the turn signal lever **DOWN**

THINK:

"QRS points DOWN = LEFT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK"



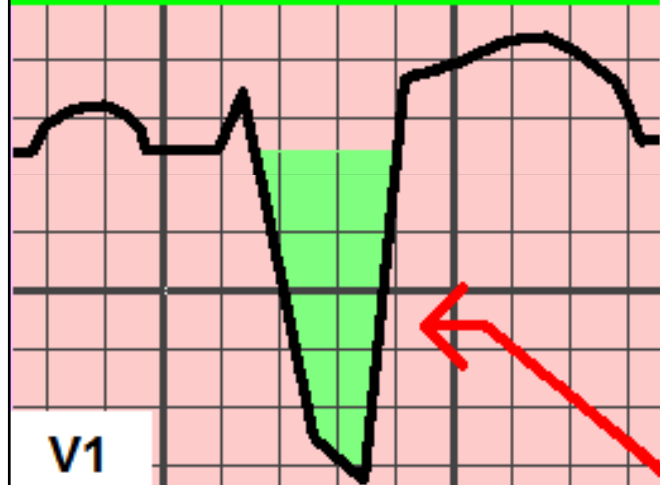
What about biphasic QRS ?



DIAGNOSING BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK

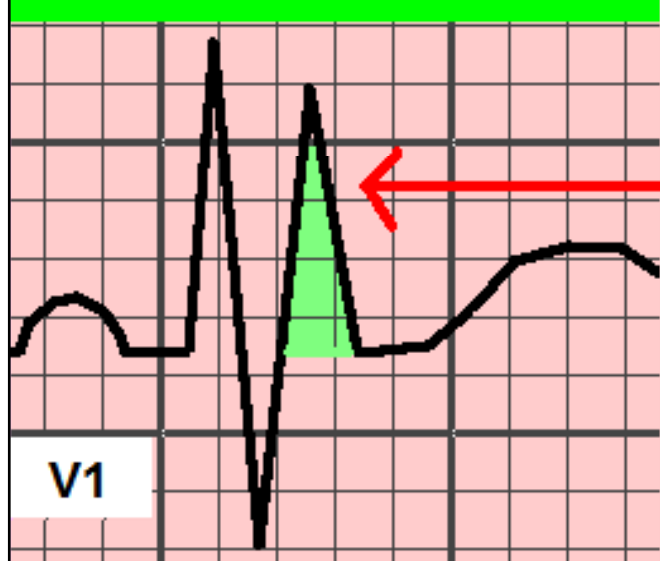
L.B.B.B.

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 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**

or simply say, "it's a LEFT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK !"

09:16:40

Vent. rate	64	BPM
PR interval	188	ms
QRS duration	152	ms
QT/QTc	472/486	ms
P-R-T axes	78 3	106

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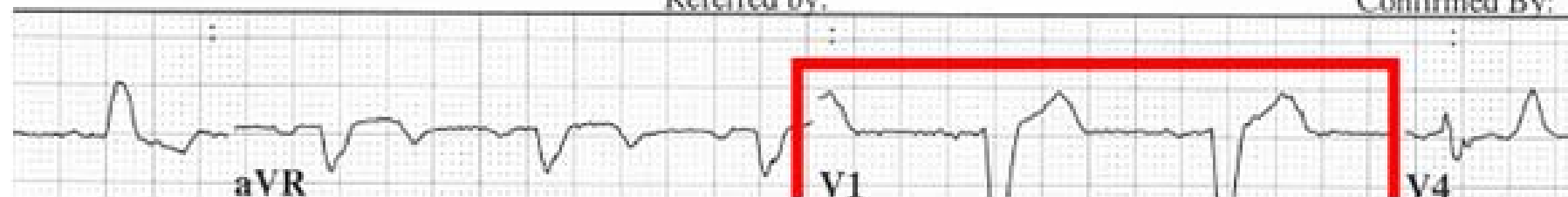
Normal sinus rhythm
Left bundle branch block
Abnormal ECG

When compared with ECG of 28-MAY-2003 06:36,

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09:16:40

74 yr
Female Caucasian

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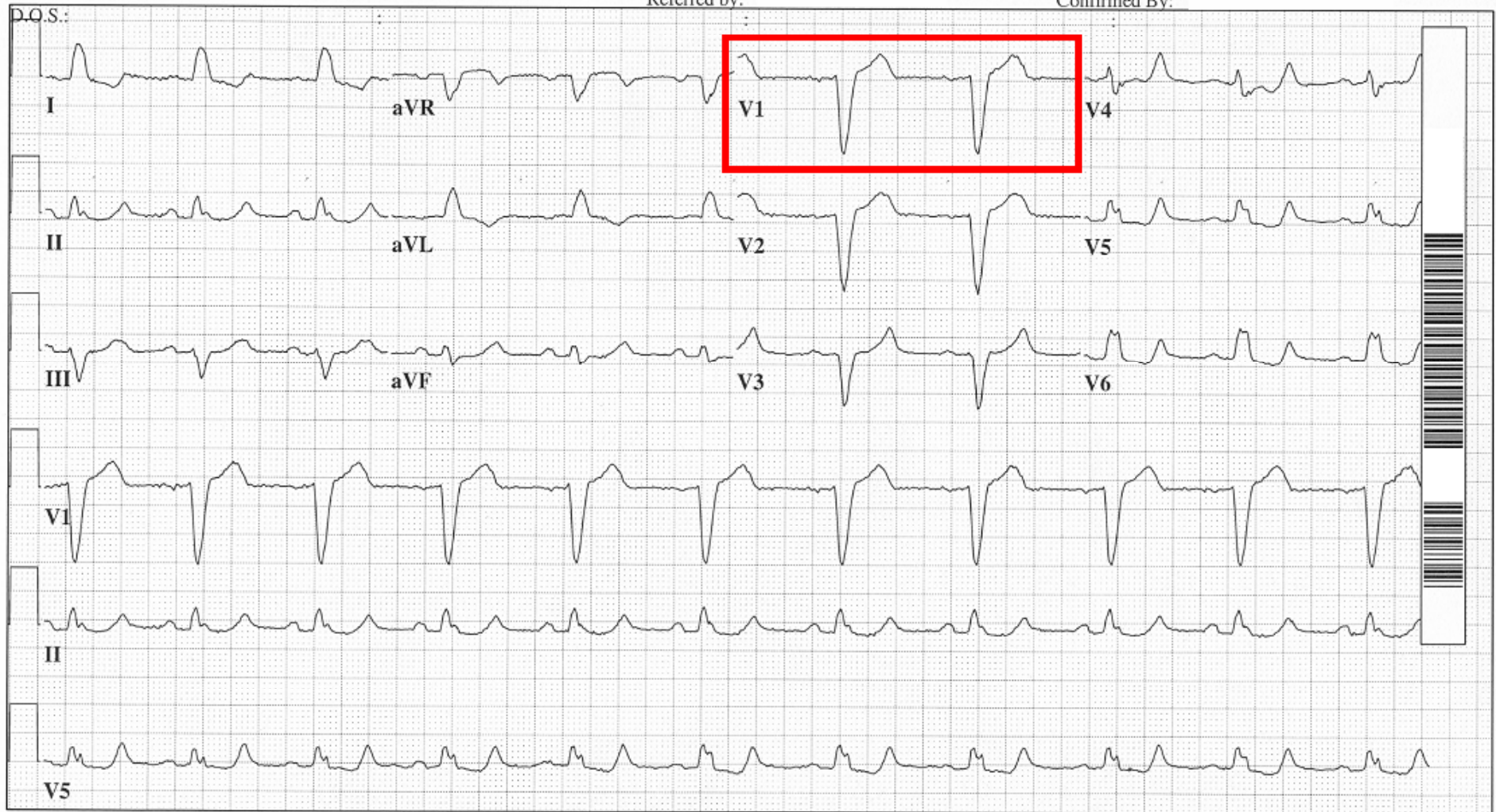
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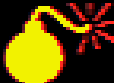


25mm/s 10mm/mV 40Hz 005C 12SL 229 CID: 0

EID:5 EDT:

SOME CAUSES OF LEFT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK (LBBB)

- **CONDUCTION SYSTEM DISEASE**
- **OLD ANT./SEPTAL MI** (NECROSIS TO LBB)

 **CARDIOMYOPATHY**

 **SEVERE L.V.H.**

 **ACUTE MYOCARDITIS**

RUPPERT, WAYNE

ID: 099999999

4-Mar-2001

74years

Male Caucasian

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

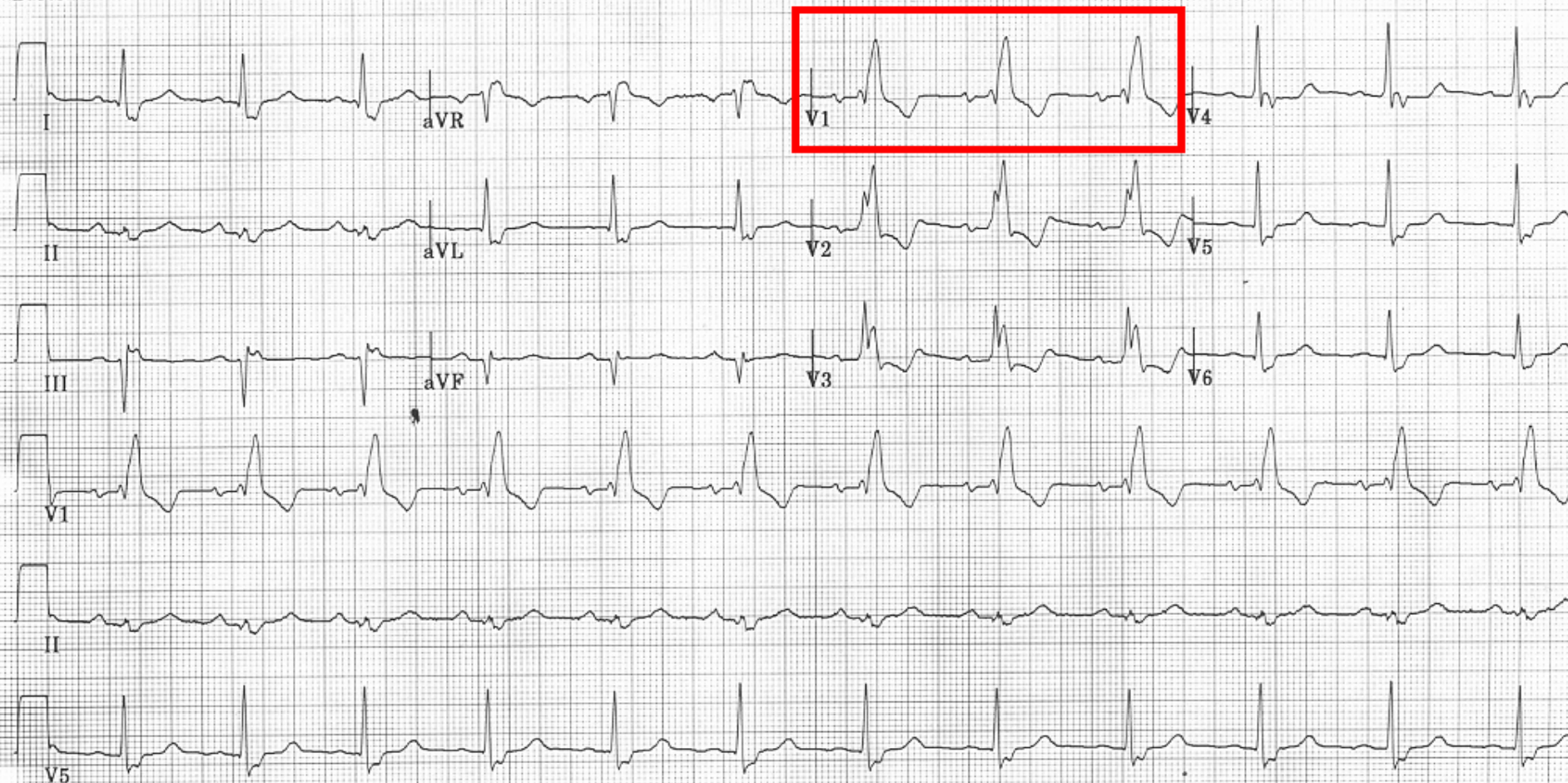
Abnormal ECG

Technician: WR

Referred by:

Unconfirmed

D.O.S.:



40 Hz

25.0 mm/s

10.0 mm/mV

4 by 2.5s + 3 rhythm lds

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SOME CAUSES OF RIGHT BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK (RBBB)

- **CONGENITAL VARIATION** (IN HEALTHY HEART)
- **CONDUCTION SYSTEM DISEASE**
- **OLD ANT./SEPTAL MI** (NECROSIS TO RBB)
- **PREVIOUS C.A.B.G.** (RBB CUT DURING SURGERY)

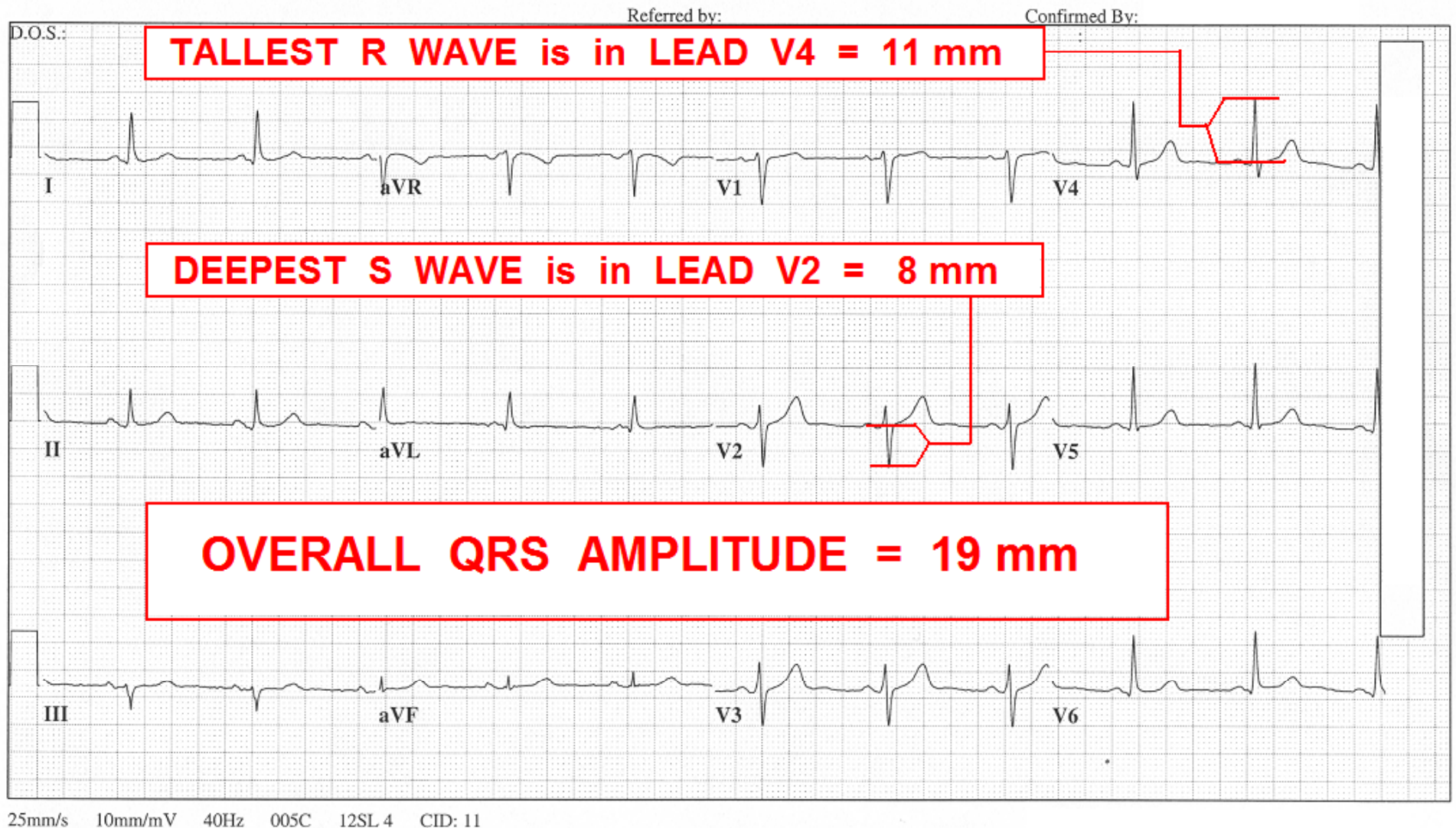
 **SEVERE R.V.H.**

 **ACUTE PULMONARY EMBOLUS**

 **BRUGADA SYNDROME**

MEASURING THE "OVERALL QRS AMPLITUDE"

Add the SIZE of the TALLEST R WAVE to the SIZE of the DEEPEST S WAVE



THE QRS COMPLEX

QRS AMPLITUDE

MAXIMUM NORMAL VALUES are difficult to define due to differences in **PATIENT AGE, BODY SIZE, and FITNESS.**



**HOWEVER A GENERAL
VALUE GUIDELINE IS: 3.0 mV
(30 mm on normally calibrated EKG)**

OVERALL QRS AMPLITUDE TOO HIGH:

(GREATER THAN 3.0 mV / 30 mm)

THINK:



VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY

THE QRS COMPLEX

QRS AMPLITUDE

CRITERIA FOR MINIMUM AMPLITUDE:

Abnormally LOW QRS VOLTAGE occurs when the OVERALL QRS is:

$\leq 0.5 \text{ mV}$ IN ANY LIMB LEAD

— *and* —

$\leq 1.0 \text{ mV}$ IN ANY PRECORDIAL LEAD

OVERALL QRS AMPLITUDE TOO LOW: (VERTICAL QRS SIZE)

THINK (in absence of obvious OBESITY) :



**MYOCARDITIS /
CONSTRICTIVE PERICARDITIS**



EFFUSIONS / TAMPONADE



COPD c HYPERINFLATION



AMYLOIDOSIS (abnormal protein accumulation in organs)



SCLERODERMA (abnormal hardening of skin)



HEMACHROMOTOSIS (excessive iron buildup in blood / organs)



MYXEDEMA (thyroid disorder)

33 yr
Female Black
Room:ATL
Loc:3 Option:23

Vent. rate 132 BPM
PR interval 154 ms
QRS duration 76 ms
QT/QTc 282/417 ms
P-R-T axes 51 17 -80

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*** Age and gender specific ECG analysis ***

Sinus tachycardia with occasional , and consecutive

Premature ventricular complexes

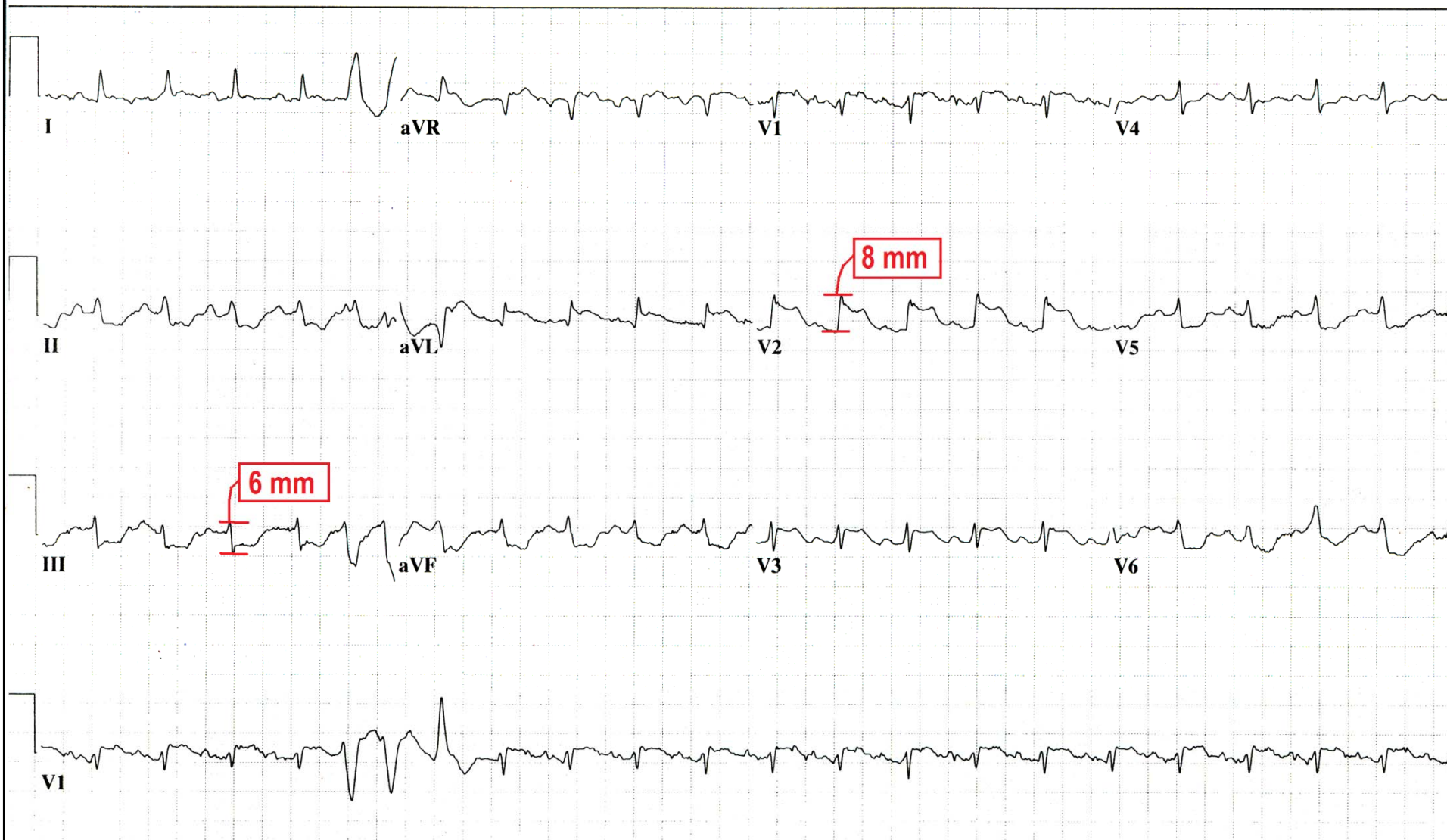
Low voltage QRS

ST elevation consider anterolateral injury or acute infarct

***** ACUTE MI *****

Abnormal ECG

No previous ECGs available



THE MARKERS of ACUTE CORONARY SYNDROME

NORMAL ST - T WAVES

- WHEN QRS WIDTH IS NORMAL (< 120 ms)

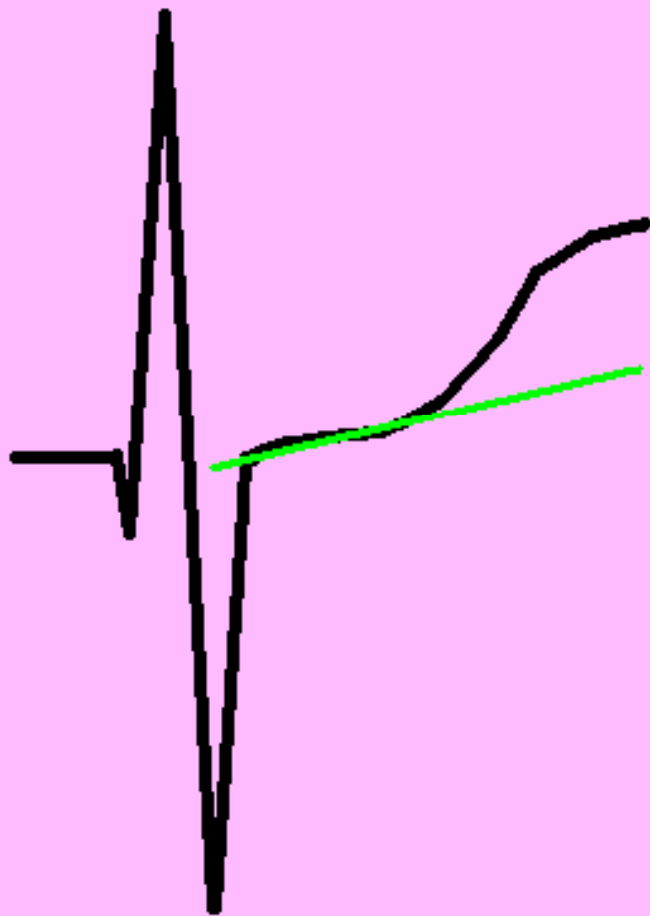


ASSESS:

- J POINT: ISOELECTRIC (or < 1 mm dev.)
- ST SEG: SLIGHT, POSITIVE INCLINATION
- T WAVE: UPRIGHT, POSITIVE

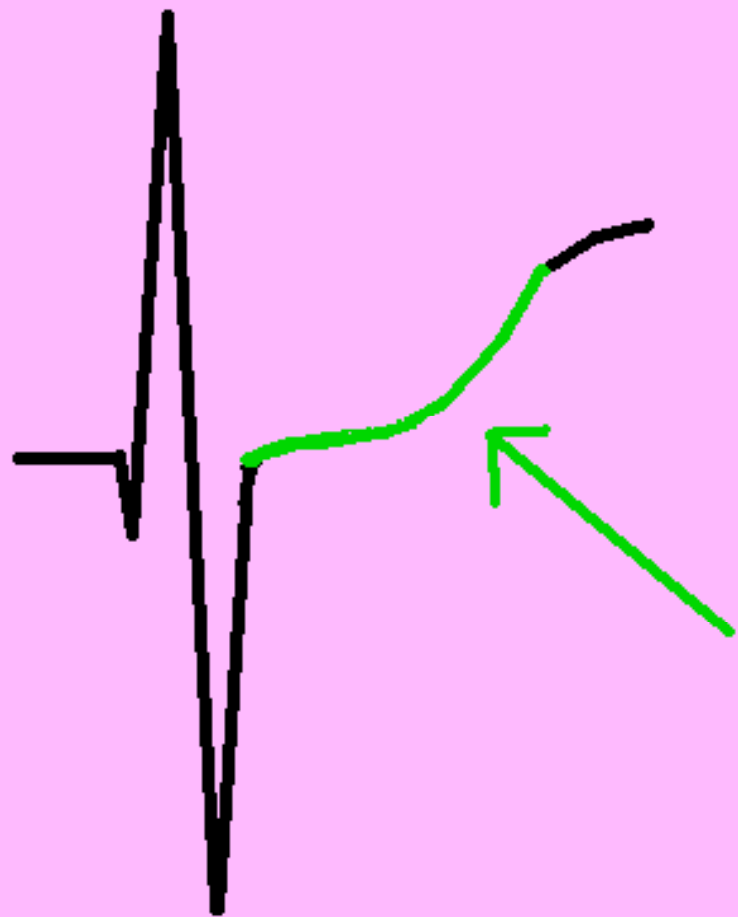
 **in EVERY LEAD EXCEPT aVR !!**

THE S-T SEGMENT



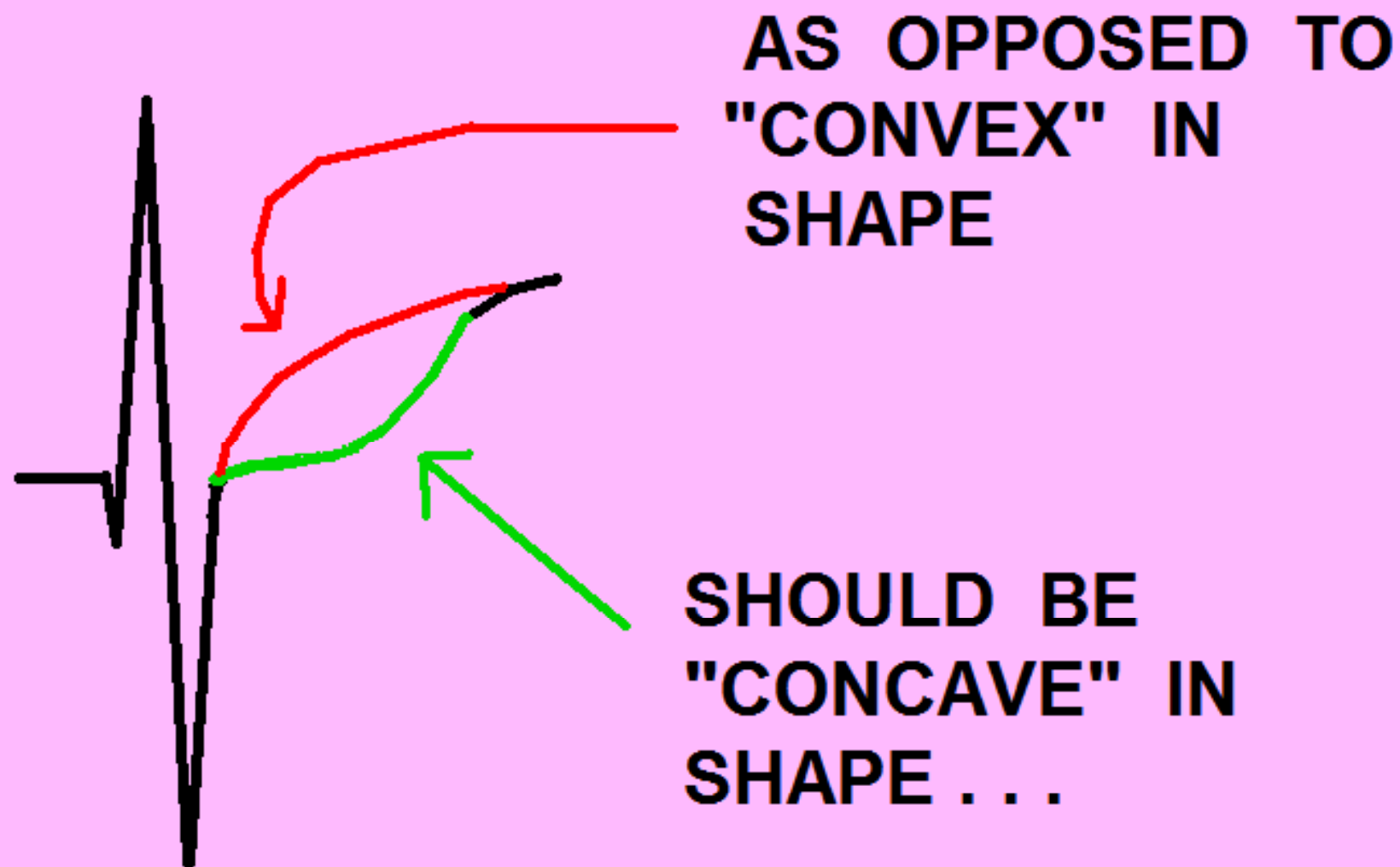
**SHOULD HAVE
A "SLIGHT POSITIVE"
INCLINATION**

THE S-T SEGMENT



SHOULD BE
"CONCAVE" IN
SHAPE . . .

THE S-T SEGMENT



CHANGES ASSOCIATED WITH CELLULAR PERFUSION INVOLVING THE:

- QRS
- J POINT
- ST SEGMENT
- T WAVE

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NORMAL STATE OF PERFUSION

ARTERIAL BLOCKAGES → NONE SIGNIFICANT
CELLULAR OXYGENATION → NORMAL
CELLULAR METABOLISM → AEROBIC
CELLULAR FUNCTION → NORMAL CONTRACTION

EKG: J POINT ISOELECTRIC, ST SEG "SLIGHT, POSTIVE INCLINATION, T WAVE POSITIVE, UPRIGHT.



ISCHEMIA

ARTERIAL BLOCKAGES → PARTIAL OBSTRUCTION
CELLULAR OXYGENATION → INSUFFICIENT
CELLULAR METABOLISM → AEROBIC
CELLULAR FUNCTION → REDUCED CONTRACTION
PATIENT SYMPTOMS → POSSIBLE, WITH EXERTION

EKG: J POINT DEPRESSED, ST SEGMENT VARIES, T WAVE VARIES



INFARCTION

ARTERIAL BLOCKAGES → TOTAL OBSTRUCTION
CELLULAR OXYGENATION → NONE
CELLULAR METABOLISM → ANAEROBIC CELL BEGINS TO BURN GLYCOGEN RESERVES
CELLULAR FUNCTION → STOPS CONTRACTING
PATIENT SYMPTOMS → TYPICAL or ATYPICAL ACS Sx

EKG - INDICATIVE: J POINT ELEVATES, ST SEGMENT CONVEX, T WAVE POSITIVE, MAY ENLARGE
EKG - RECIPROCAL: J POINT DEPRESSES, ST SEGMENT DOWNSLOPING, T WAVE INVERTED



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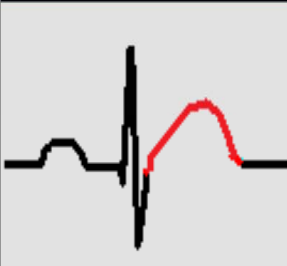
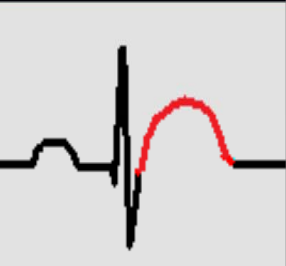
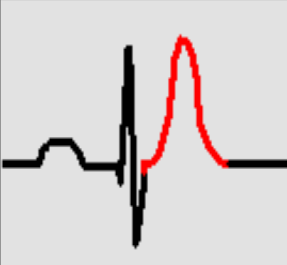
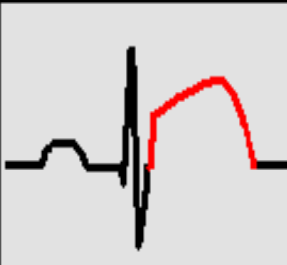
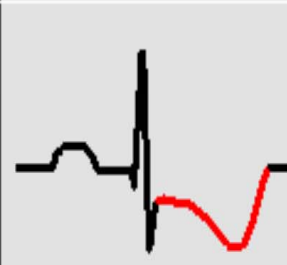
ARTERIAL BLOCKAGES → TOTAL OBSTRUCTION
CELLULAR OXYGENATION → NONE
CELLULAR METABOLISM → CELL DIES WHEN GLYCOGEN RESERVES DEPLETED.
CELLULAR FUNCTION → NONE. CELL DEAD.
PATIENT SYMPTOMS → POSS. HYPOTENSION, DEATH

EKG - INDICATIVE: J POINTS, ST SEGMENTS NORMALIZE; ABNORMAL Q WAVES FORM
EKG - RECIPROCAL: J POINTS, ST SEGMENTS NORMALIZE; ABNORMAL TALL R WAVES FORM

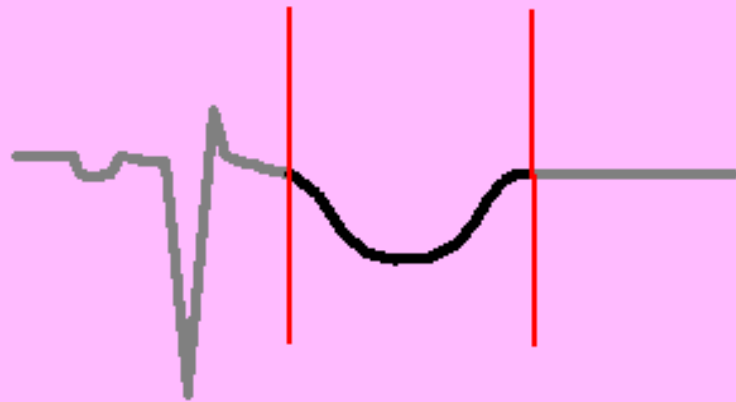


PATTERNS of ACS & ISCHEMIA

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

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

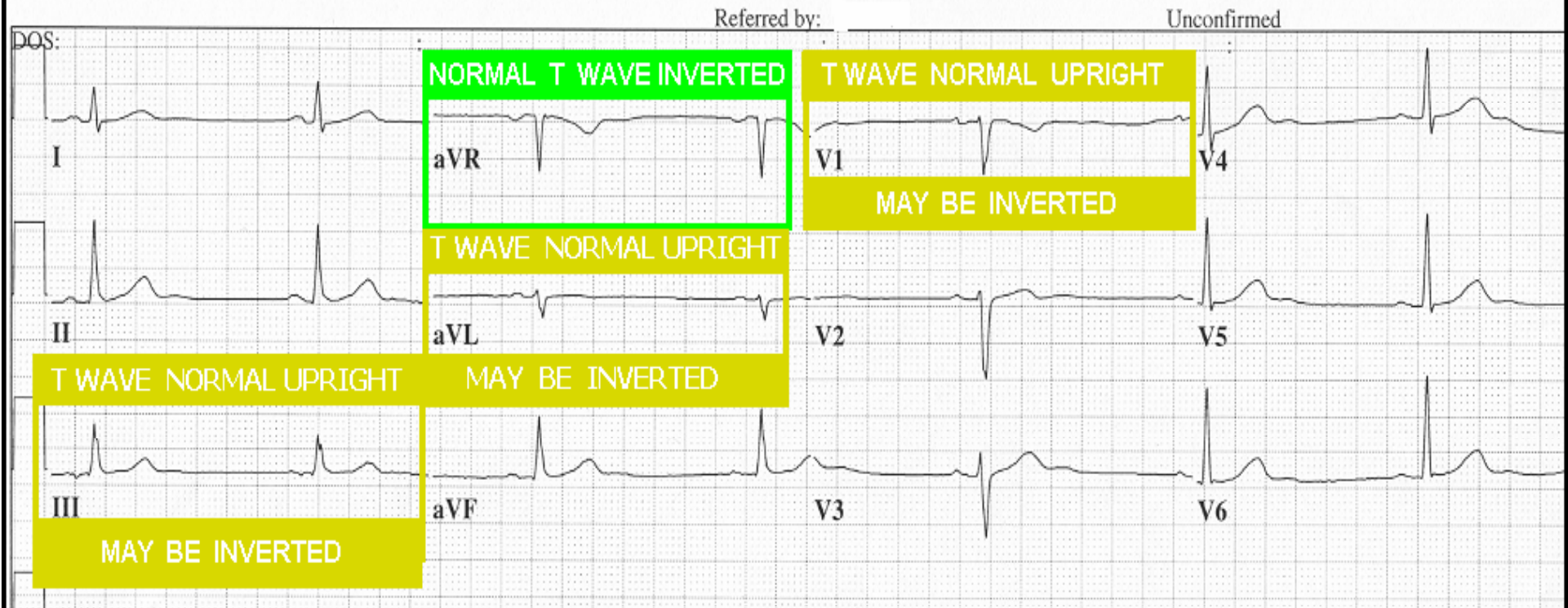
THE T WAVE



**LEAD
AVR**

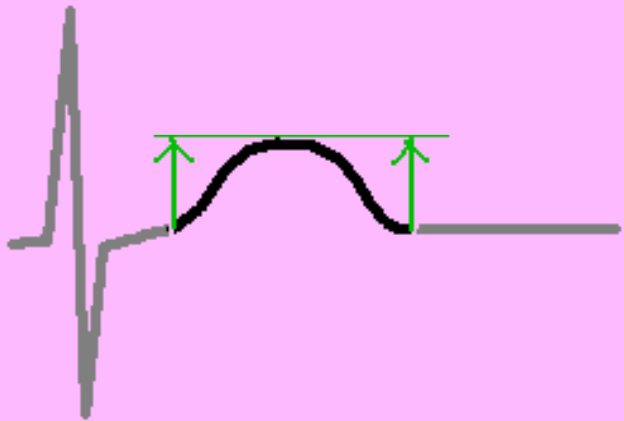
- REMEMBER, IN LEAD AVR
EVERYTHING
IS
"UPSIDE-DOWN"

Leads where the T WAVE may be INVERTED:



An inverted T wave in TWO OR MORE CONTIGUOUS LEADS = potential problem (ischemia)

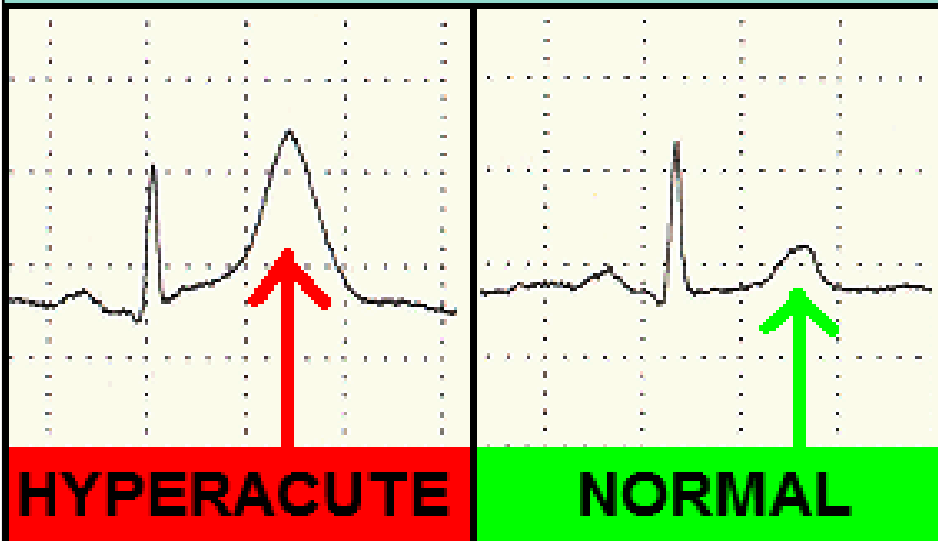
THE T WAVE



AMPLITUDE GUIDELINES:

- IN THE LIMB LEADS, SHOULD BE LESS THAN 1.0 mv (10 mm)
- IN THE PRECORDIAL LEADS, SHOULD BE LESS THAN 0.5 mv (5 mm)
- SHOULD NOT BE TALLER THAN R WAVE IN 2 OR MORE LEADS.

HYPERACUTE T WAVES



HYPER-ACUTE T WAVES - COMMON ETIOLOGIES:



CONDITION: _____

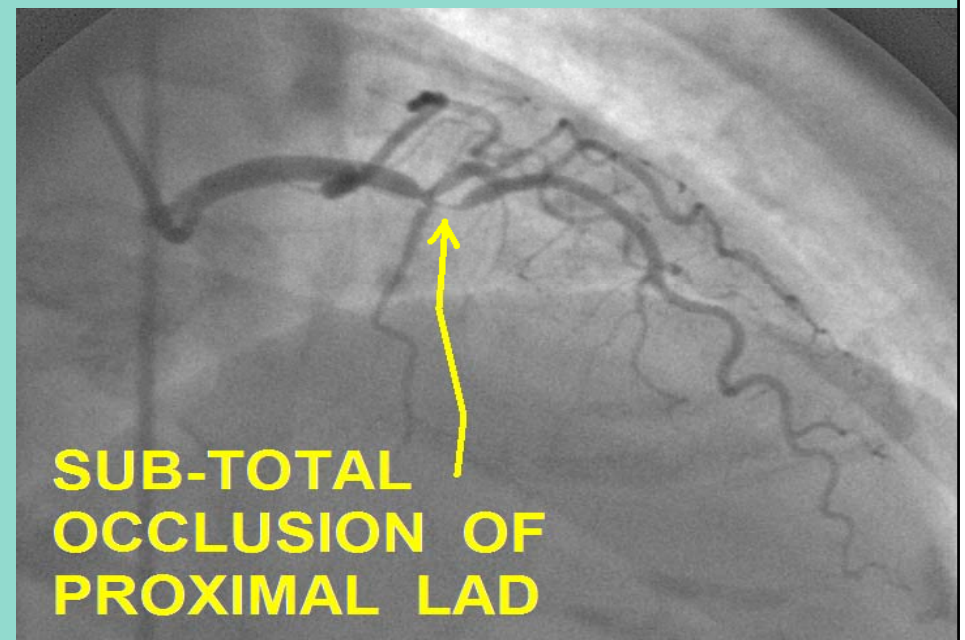
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 **HYPERKALEMIA** — XX - XX

 **ACUTE MI** — XX - XX

 **TRANS-MURAL
ISCHEMIA** — XX - XX

 **HYPERTROPHY** — XX - XX



ECG CRITERIA for DIAGNOSIS of STEMI:

(ST ELEVATION @ J POINT)

***LEADS V2 and V3:**

MALES ----- 2.0 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

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 :



LETHAL DYSRHYTHMIAS



CARDIAC ARREST



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

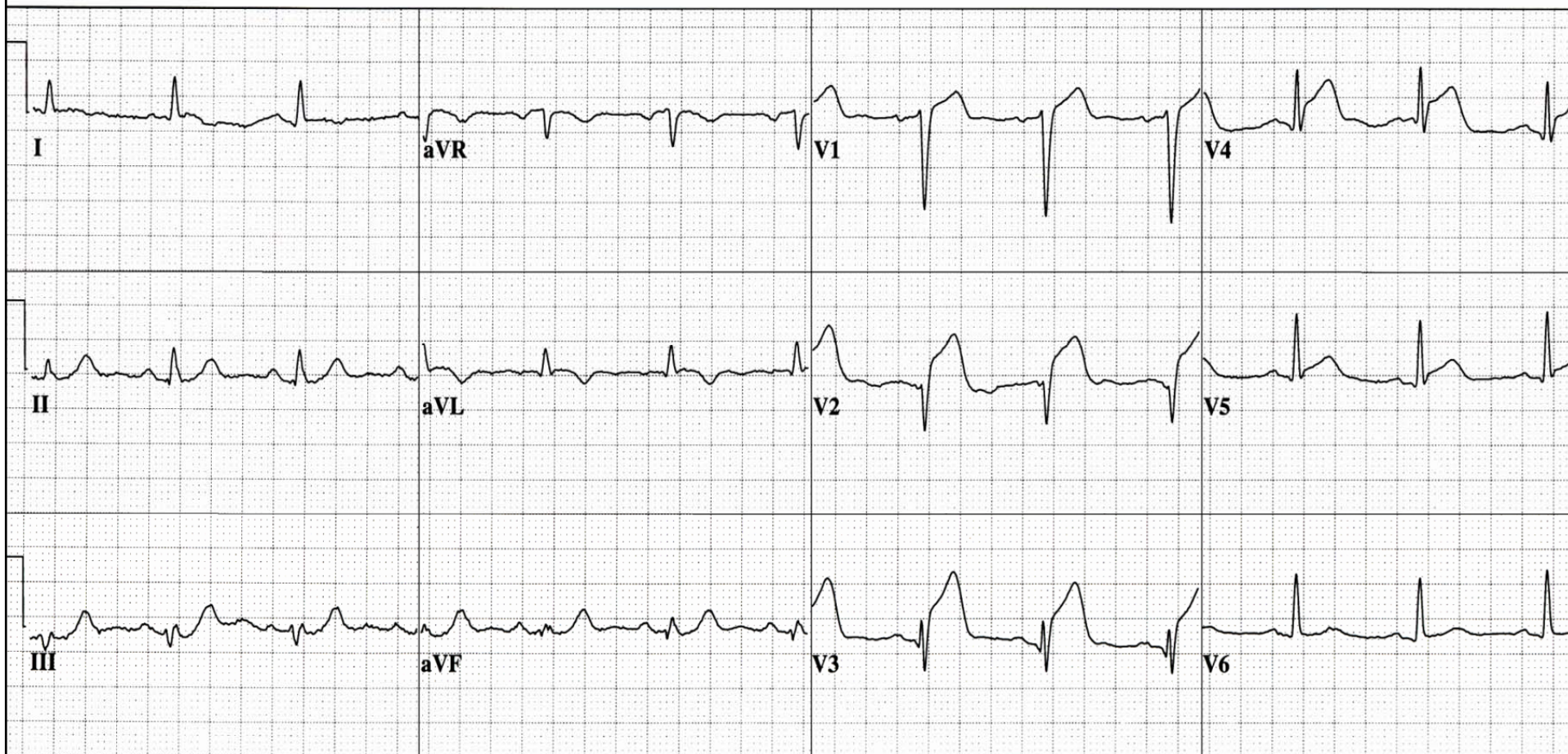
72 yr
Male Caucasian
Loc:3 Option:23

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:

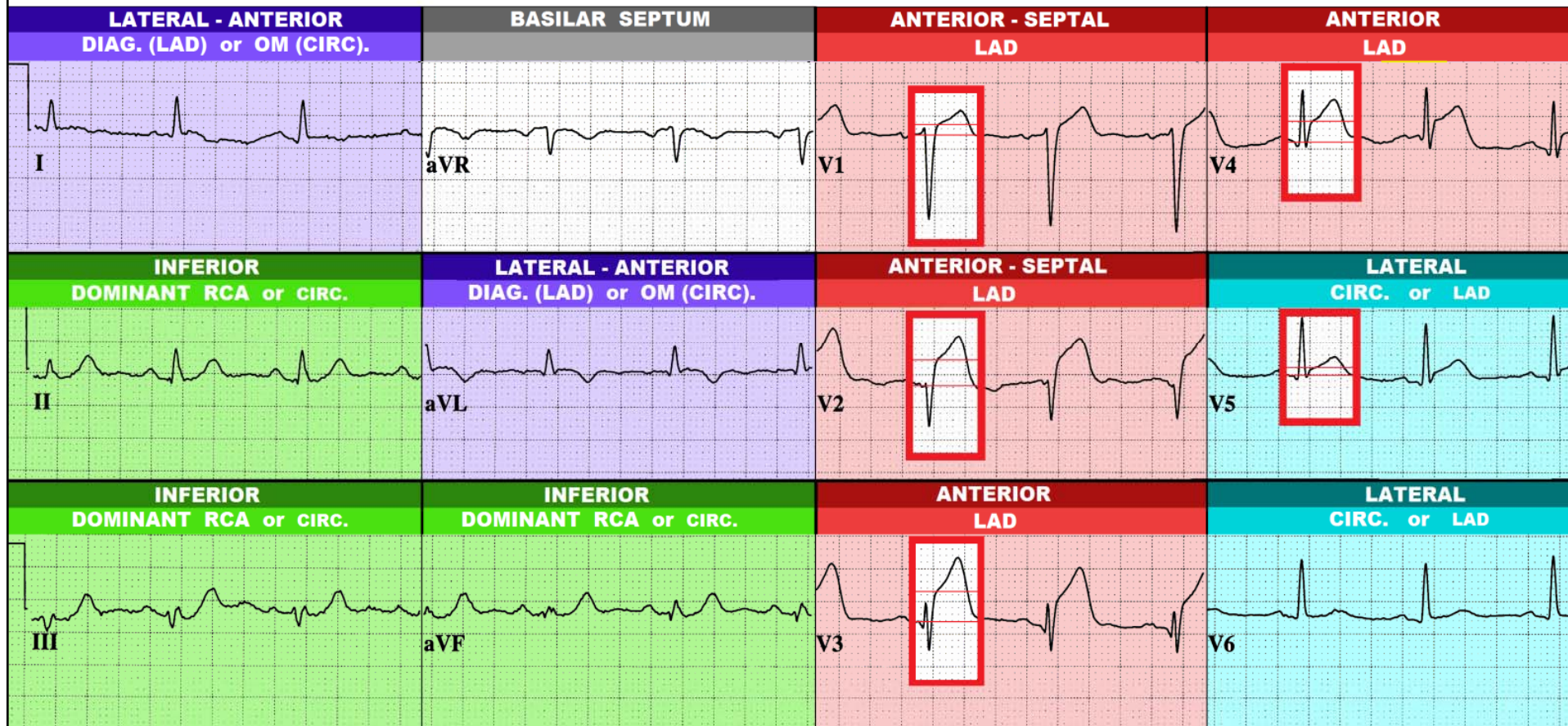
- ST SEGMENT ELEVATION / DEPRESSION
- HYPERACUTE T WAVES
- CONVEX ST SEGMENTS
- OTHER ST SEGMENT / T WAVE ABNORMALITIES



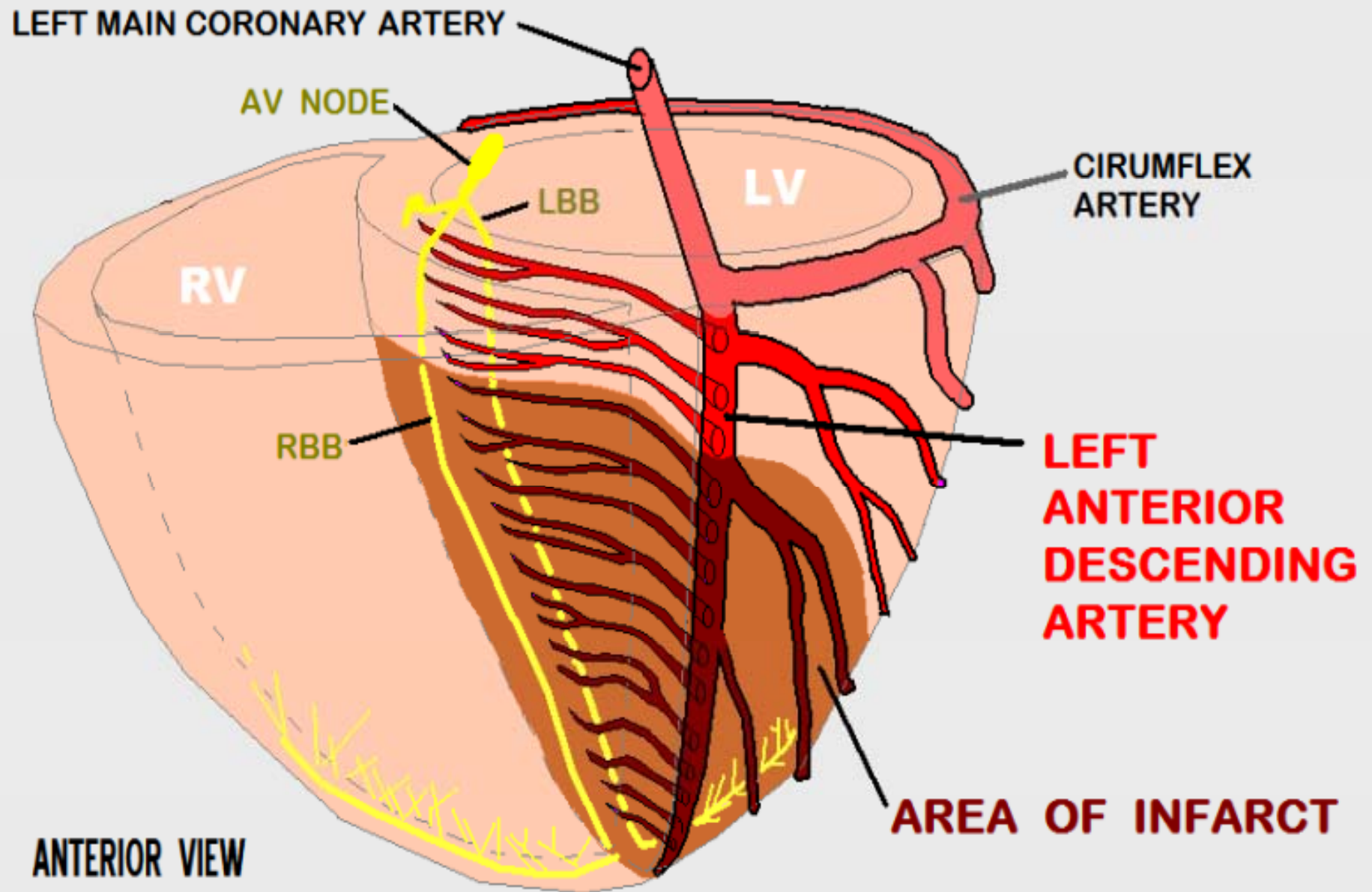
72 yr
Male
Caucasian
Vent. rate 75 BPM
PR interval 162 ms
QRS duration 98 ms
QT/QTc 382/426 ms
P-R-T axes 72 13 83

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

ST SEGMENT ELEVATION



OCCLUSION of MID - LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY



ANTERIOR WALL STEMI

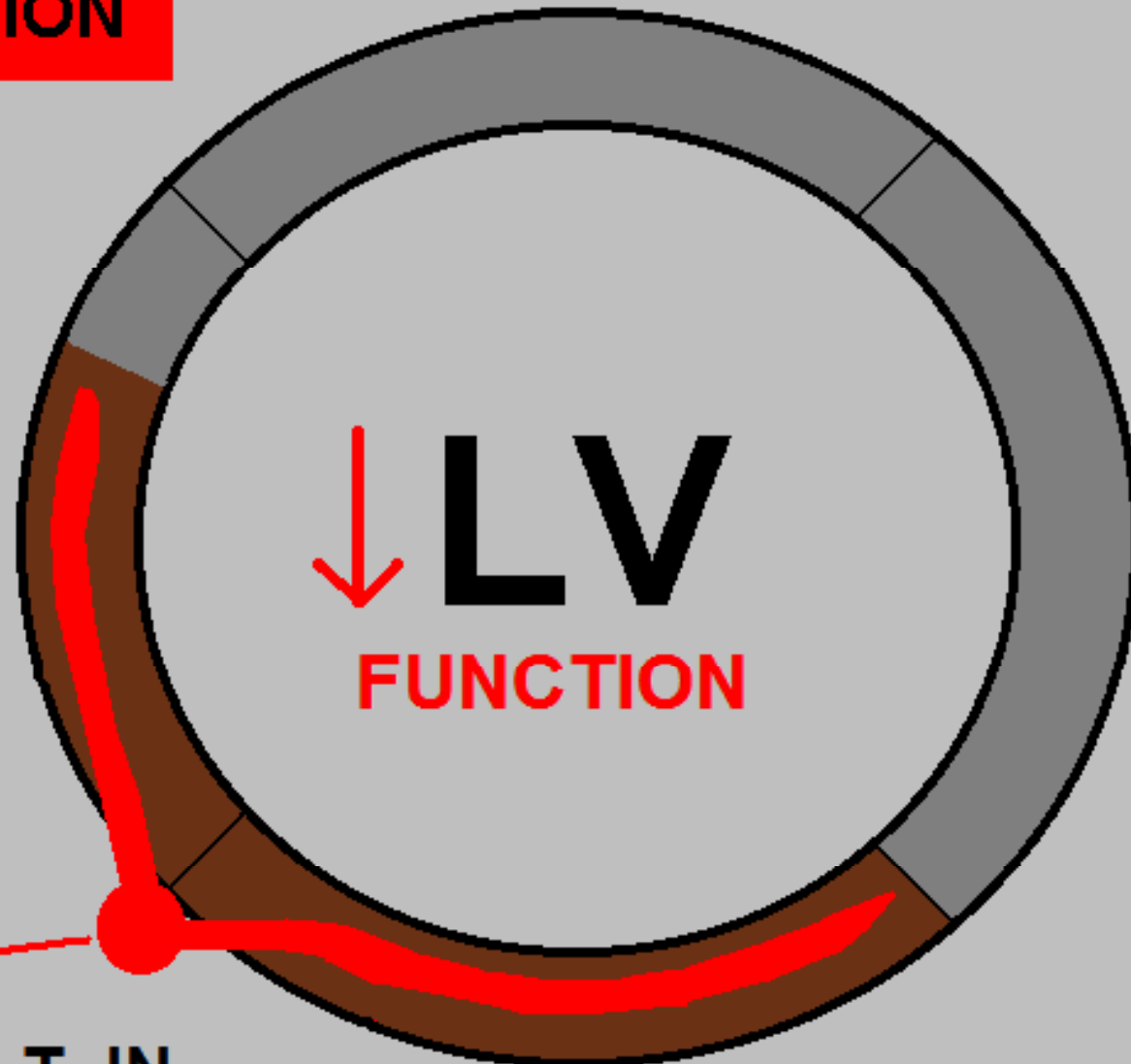
-LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING (LAD) ARTERY

ANTICIPATED COMPLICATIONS based on structures fed by the LAD:

- **LV PUMP FAILURE and CARDIOGENIC SHOCK**
(LAD feeds approx 45% of LV muscle mass)
- **PULMONARY EDEMA**
(resulting from depressed LV function)
- **COMPLETE HEART BLOCK with IDIO-VENTRICULAR ESCAPE Complexes** (resulting from failure of Bundle of HIS and Bundle Branches)

LAD DISTRIBUTION

35 - 45 % of LV MUSCLE MASS



A
BLOCKAGE
OF THE
LAD

CAN RESULT IN
LV PUMP FAILURE --



CARDIOGENIC SHOCK



PULMONARY EDEMA



72042
1400 0100-1000

(1600 mcg/mL)
1 hyd

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

250 mL

250 mL
Each 100 mL contains 160 mg Dopamine Hydrochloride USP, 5 g Dextrose Hydrated USP, 5 mEq/L sodium bicarbonate added as a stabilizer. pH adjusted with hydrochloric acid. Osmolality 269 mOsm/L. Sterile, nonpyrogenic, single dose container. Drug contains pH 3.5 (2.5 to 4.5). Caution: Intermixing should not be made to this solution. Dosage: Intermixing should not be made to this solution. Caution: Check for minute leaks by squeezing the inner bag firmly. If any are found, discard solution. Sterility may be impaired. Just before use, disconnect in series connections. Do not administer simultaneously with blood. Do not use if less solution is clear and is not darker than slightly yellow. Rx Only. Recommended storage: Room temperature (25°C). Avoid excessive heat. Protect from freezing. See insert.

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500 mg total

DOBUtamine
Hydrochloride

Hydrochloride
5% Dextrose
(2000 mcg/mL)



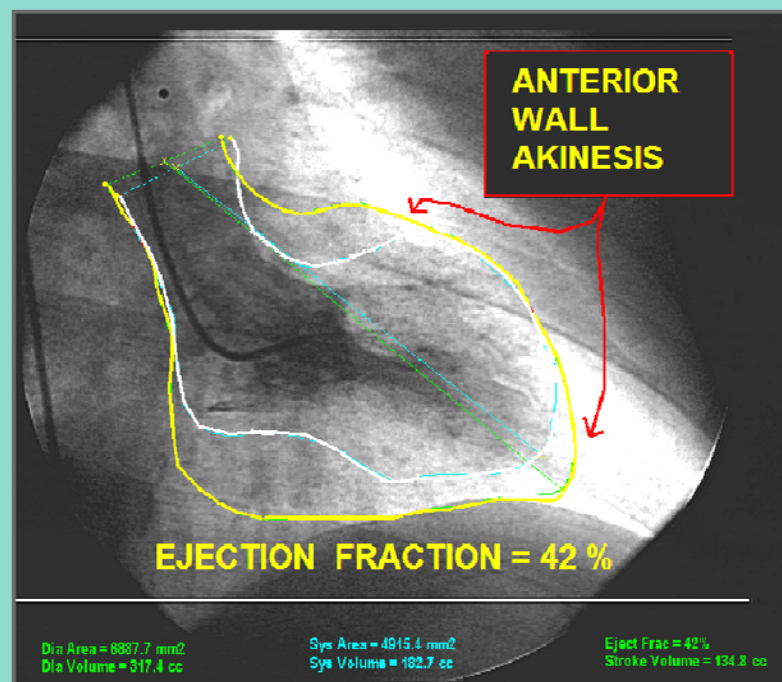
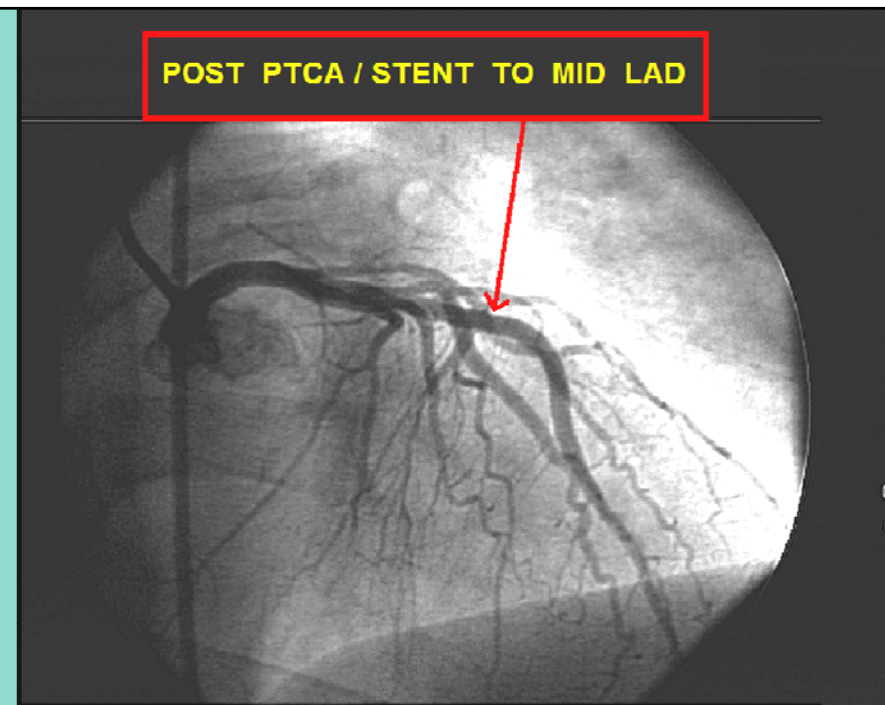
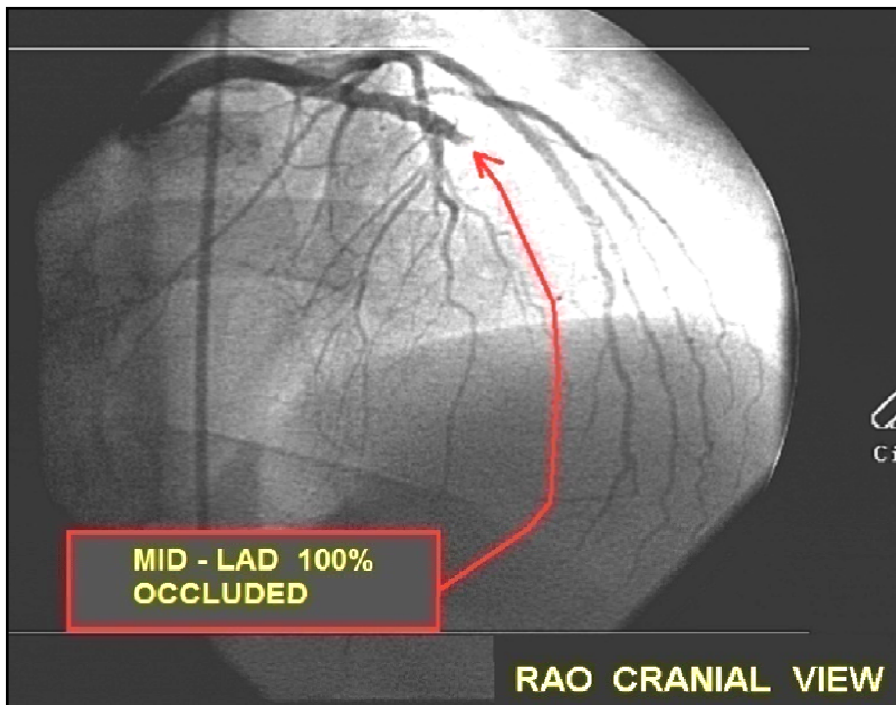
250 mL

250 mL

Disinfectant Hydrochloric acid solution
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 2. Use the diluted disinfectant to disinfect the surface.
 3. Rinse the surface with water after disinfection.
 4. Do not use the disinfectant on the skin.
 5. Do not use the disinfectant on the eyes.
 6. Do not use the disinfectant on the mouth.
 7. Do not use the disinfectant on the nose.
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Box 1



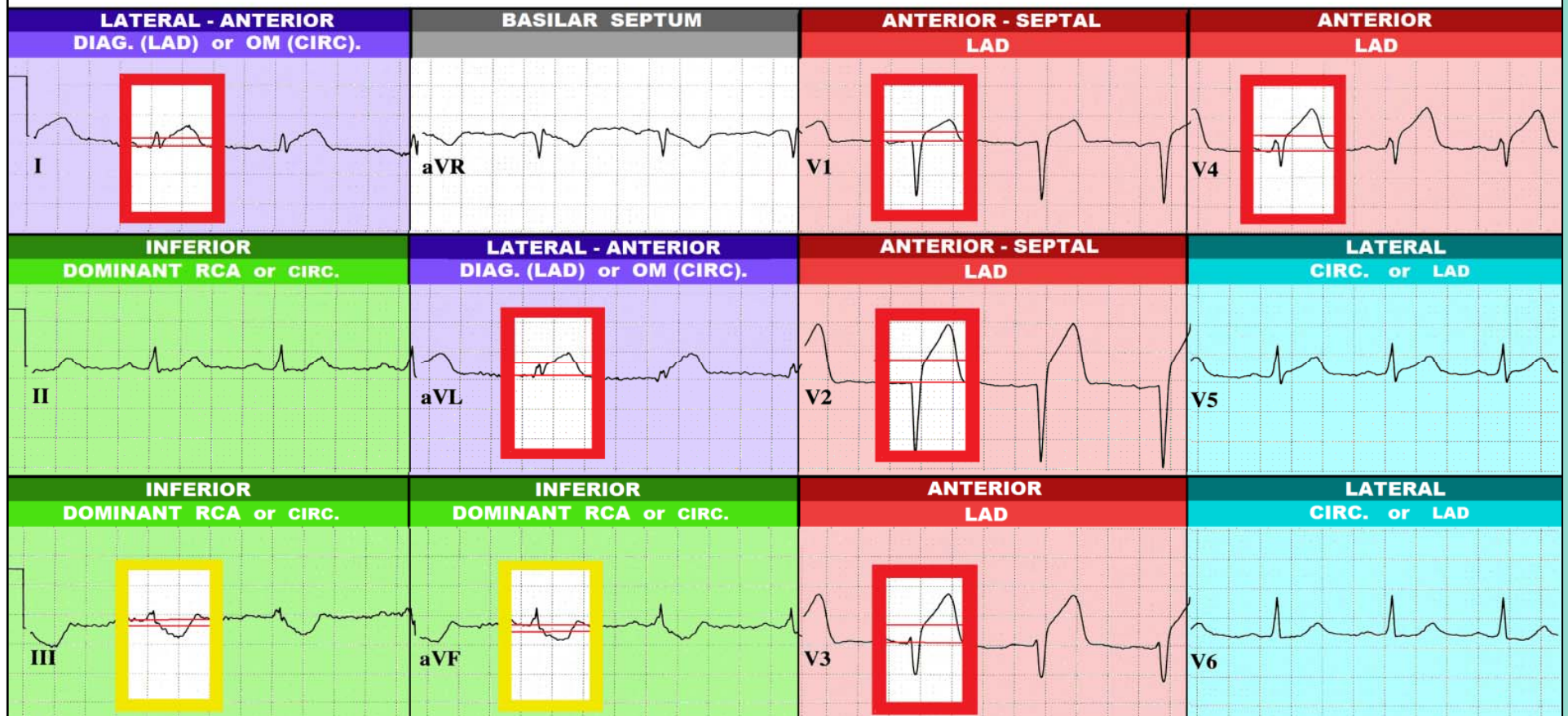
29 yr
Male Caucasian

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

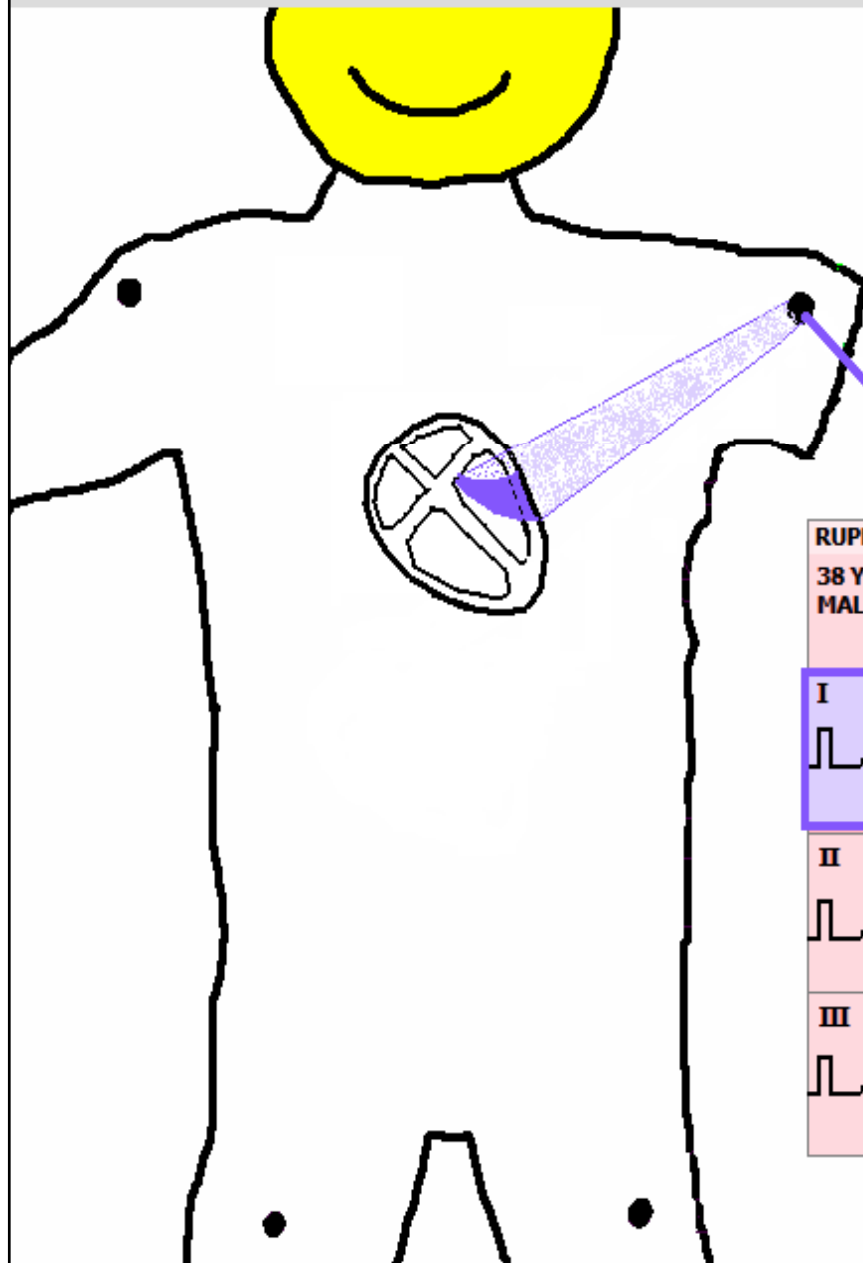
ST SEGMENT ELEVATION

ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION



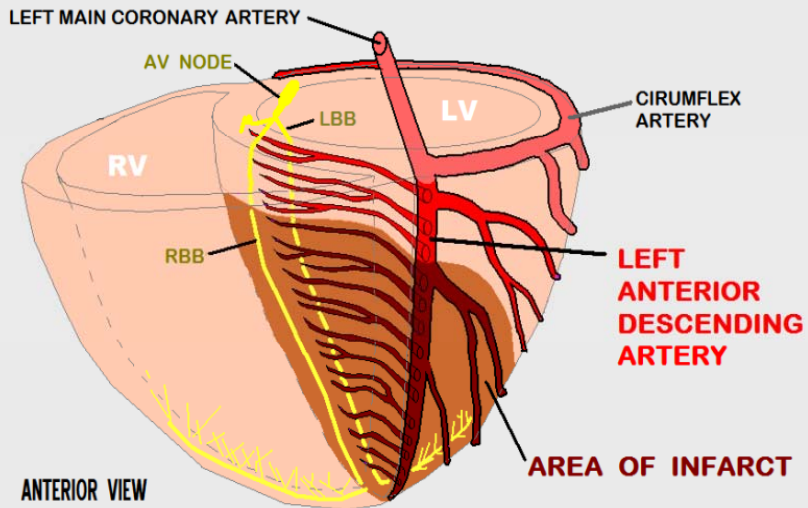
When there is ALSO ST Elevation in Leads I & AVL
And/or ST DEPRESSION in
Inferior Leads II, III, AVF

LEADS I and aVL view the ANTERIOR-LATERAL JUNCTION



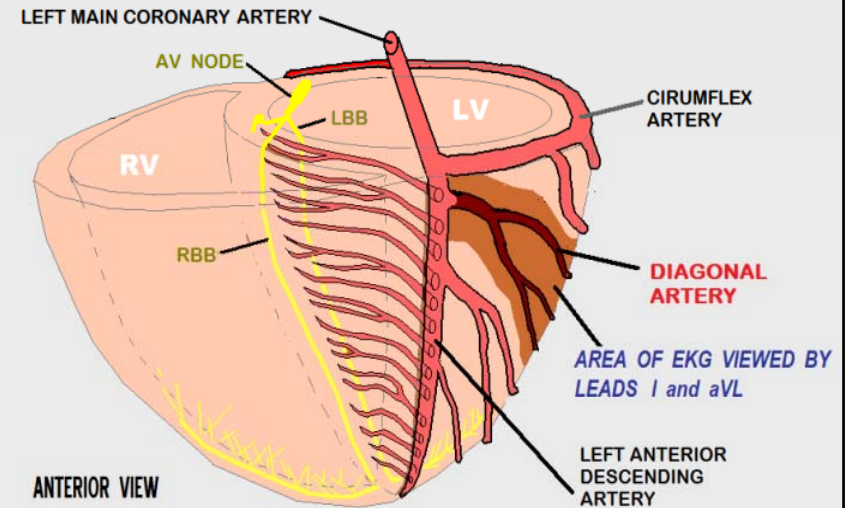
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38 Yrs MALE		Vent. Rate: 68 P-R Int.: 160 ms QRS: 100 ms	NORMAL SINUS RHYTHM Normal EKG Very Healthy Athletic EKG !	
I	AVR	V1	V4	
II	AVL	V2	V5	
III	AVF	V3	V6	

OCCUSION of MID - LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY



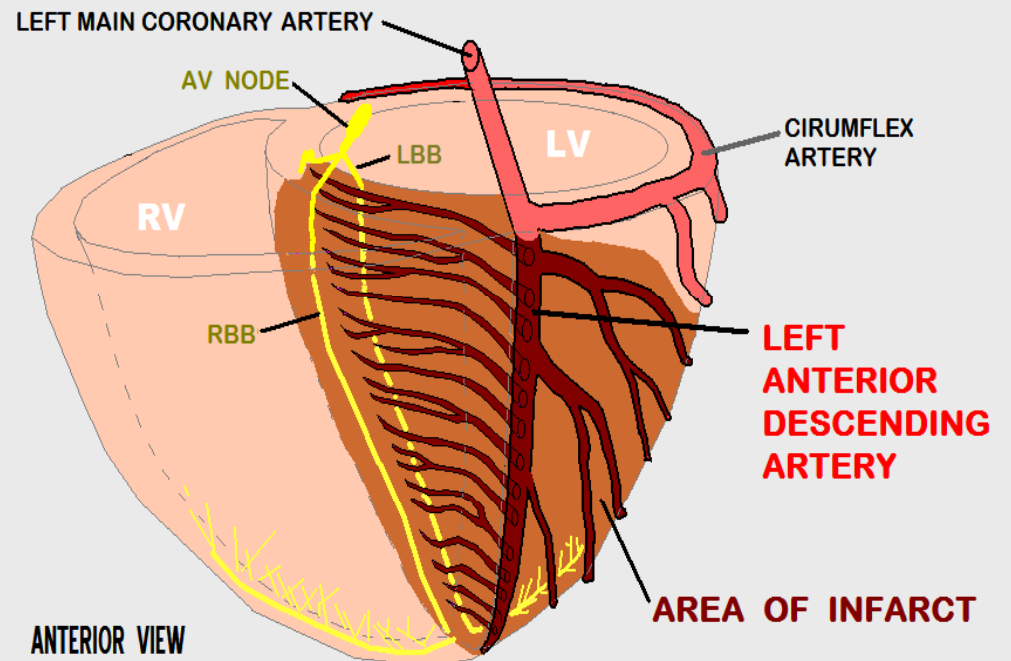
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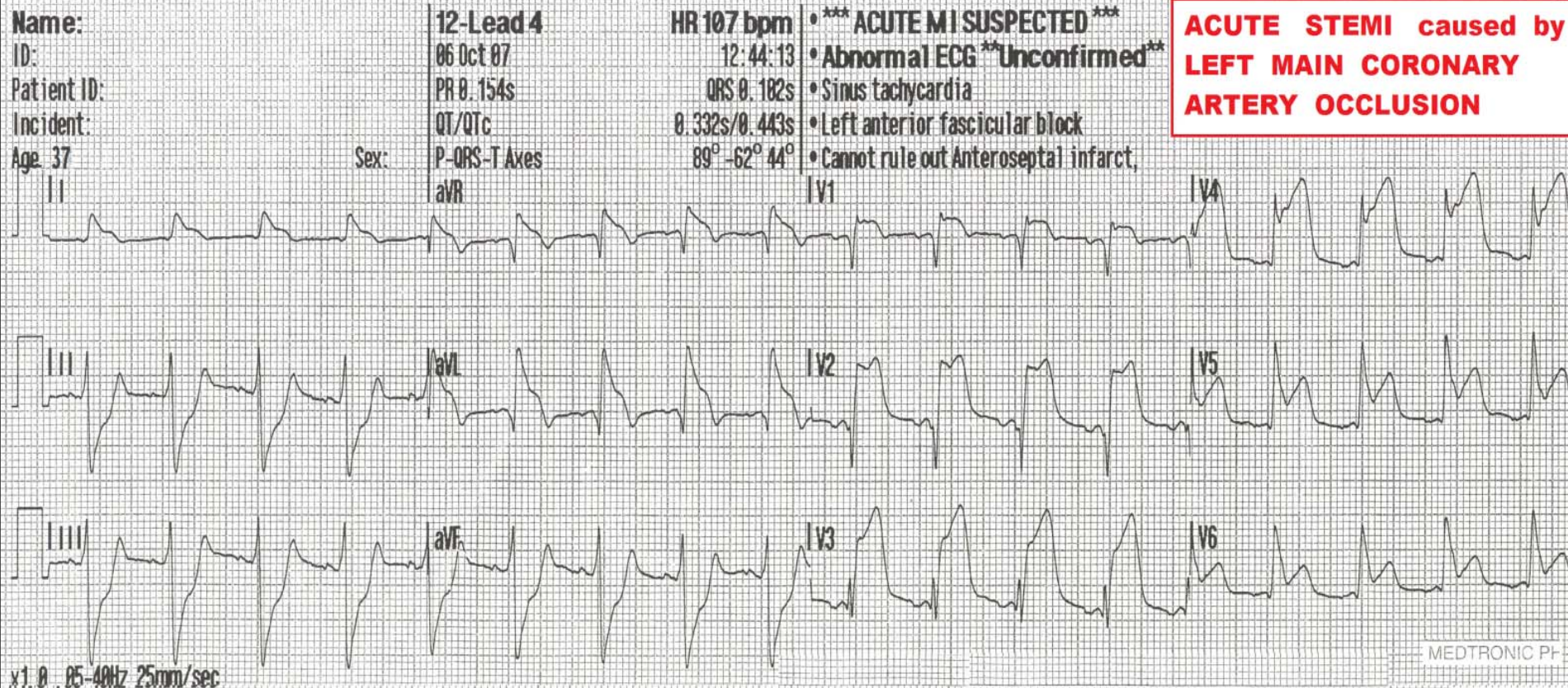
OCCUSION of DIAGONAL ARTERY



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OCCUSION of PROXIMAL LEFT ANTERIOR DESCENDING ARTERY





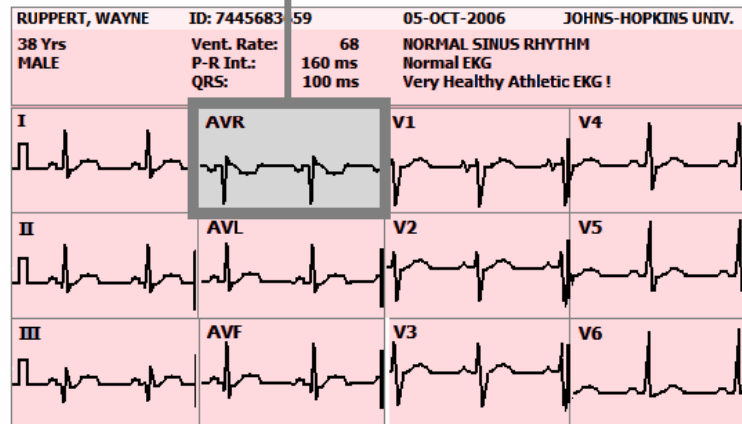
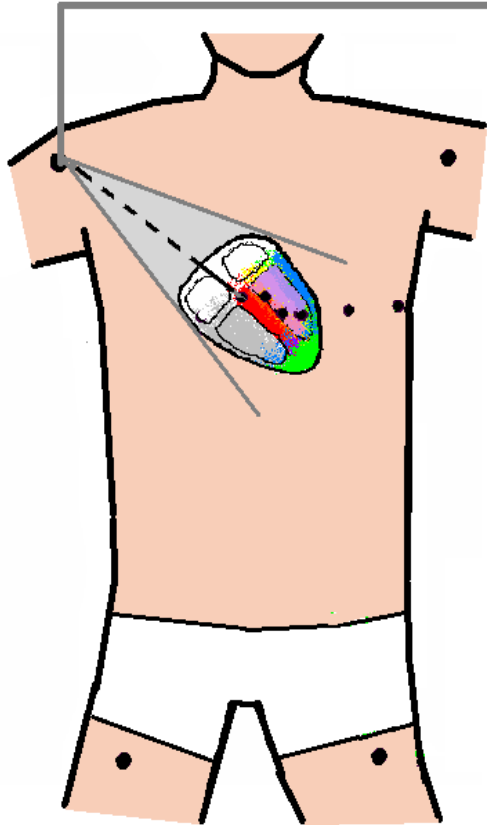
**ACUTE STEMI caused by
LEFT MAIN CORONARY
ARTERY OCCLUSION**

**ECG CLUES of ACUTE
STEMI caused by
LEFT MAIN CORONARY
ARTERY OCCLUSION:**

- ☒ ST ELEVATION in LEADS I, aVL, V1 - V6
- ☒ ST ELEVATION in aVR GREATER THAN 0.5 mm
- ☒ ST ELEVATION in aVR GREATER THAN LEAD V1
- ☒ LEFT ANTERIOR FASCICULAR BLOCK PATTERN

ST Elevation in Lead AVR with STEMI ? ?

Lead AVR Views the BASILAR SEPTUM (region of the Bundle of His).



ST ELEVATION in Lead AVR
With STEMI

THINK “LEFT MAIN CORONARY
ARTERY OCCLUSION !”

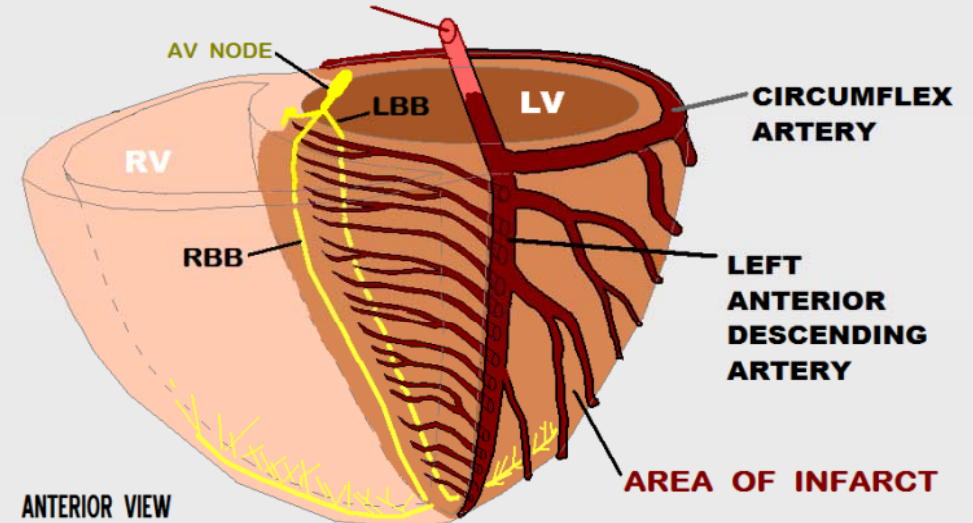
When LEAD AVR shows ST Elevation:

- **STEMI:** consider occlusion of the Left Main Coronary Artery.
- **NSTEMI and Unstable Angina** consider LMCA Occlusion – or **TRIPLE VESSEL DISEASE**

**TOTAL OCCLUSION of
LEFT MAIN CORONARY
ARTERY**

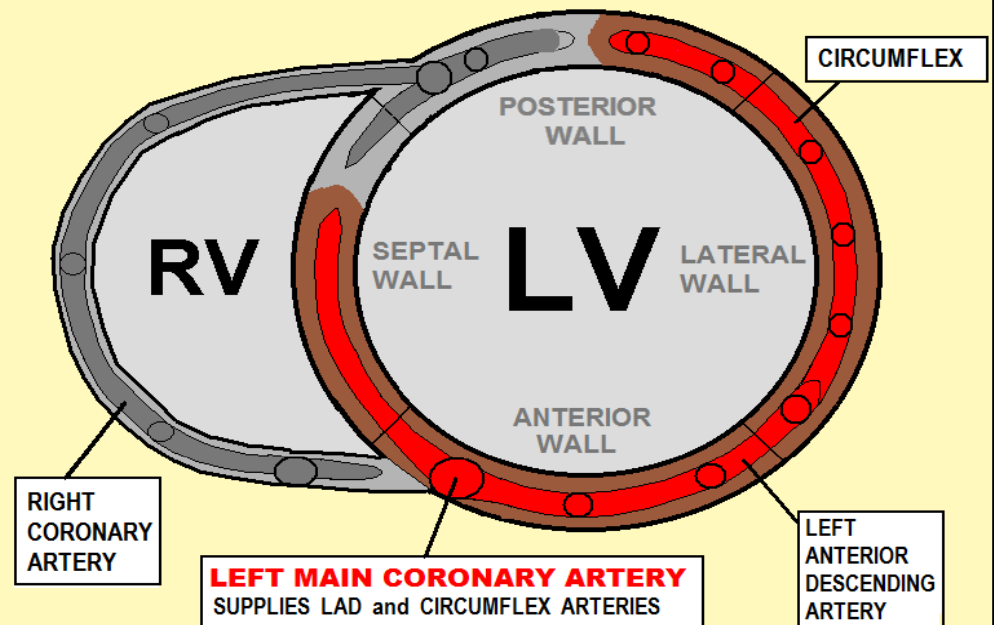
OCCLUSION of the LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY

LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY



The LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY

SUPPLIES 75-100% of the LEFT VENTRICULAR MUSCLE MASS



**STEMI from Left Main
Coronary Artery occlusion =
GLOBAL WALL MI:**

- 75% Mortality Rate**
- Cardiogenic Shock**
- Pulmonary Edema**
- Imminent Cardiac Arrest**
- Standard “90 min D2B”
TOO LONG !**

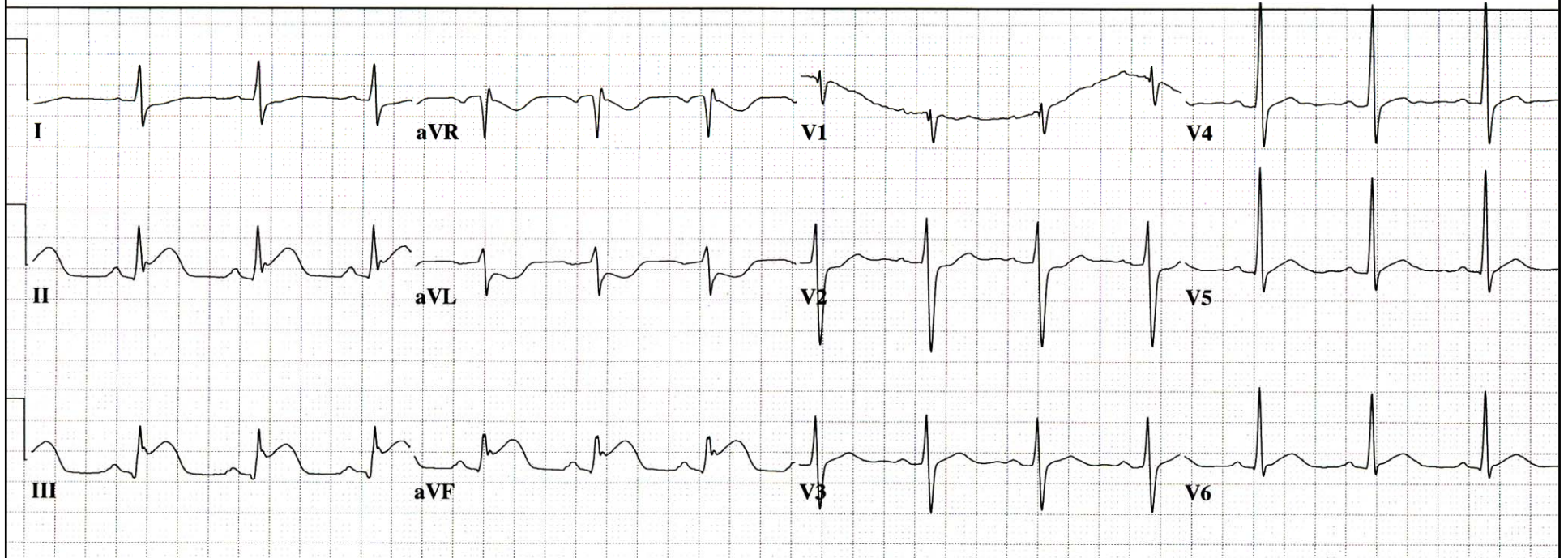
46 yr
Male Caucasian
Loc:3 Option:23

Vent. rate 82 BPM
PR interval 168 ms
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QT/QTc 384/448 ms
P-R-T axes 76 81 88



EVALUATE EKG for indicators of ACS:

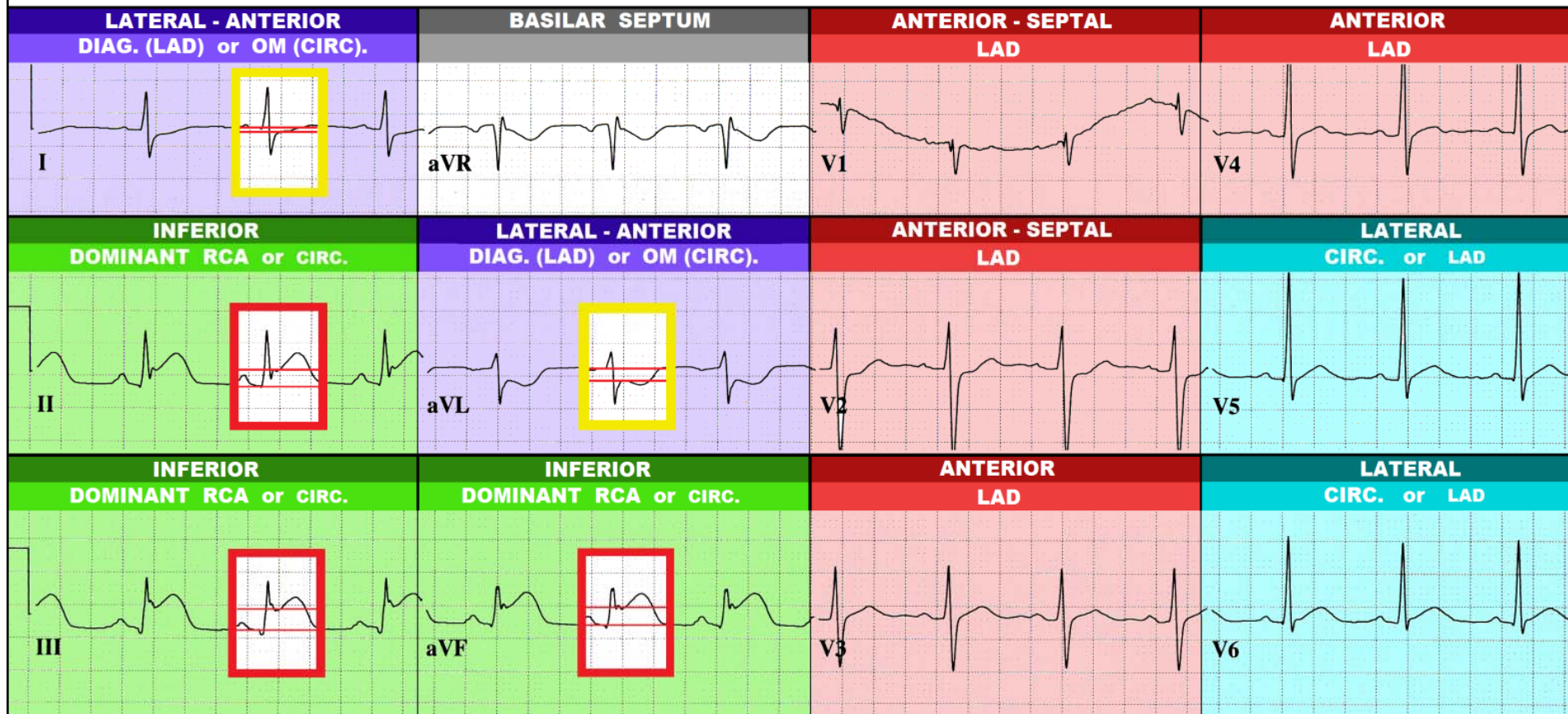
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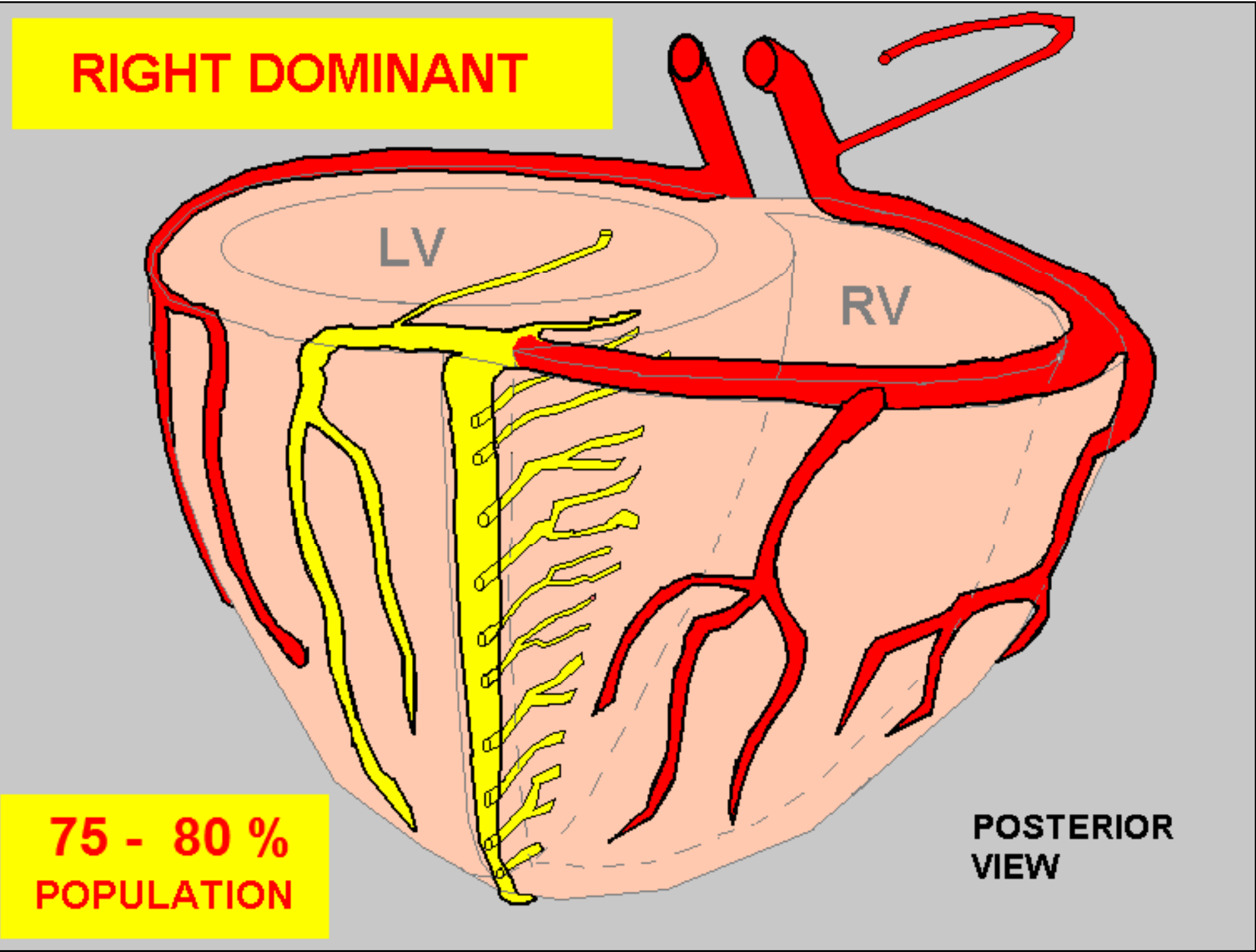
46 yr Male Caucasian Vent. rate 82 BPM Normal sinus rhythm
 PR interval 168 ms ST elevation consider inferior injury or acute infarct
 QRS duration 96 ms *** ** * * * * ACUTE MI * * * * *
 QT/QTc 384/448 ms
 P-R-T axes 76 81 88 Abnormal ECG

ST SEGMENT ELEVATION

ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION



RIGHT DOMINANT



**75 - 80 %
POPULATION**

POSTERIOR VIEW

INFERIOR WALL STEMI

- **RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY (RCA) - 75-80%**
- **CIRCUMFLEX (CX) ARTERY – 10-15%**

ANTICIPATED COMPLICATIONS based on structures fed by the **RCA**:

- **BRADYCARDIA**
(RCA feeds SA Node 85-90% of patients)
- **RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI**
(RCA feeds RIGHT VENTRICLE)
- **1st, 2nd AND 3rd DEGREE HEART BLOCKS**
(Dominant artery feeds AV Node)
- *If POSTERIOR and/or LATERAL WALL MI present, expect PUMP FAILURE / CARDIOGENIC SHOCK*

IN *EVERY* CASE of

INFERIOR WALL STEMI

You must first *RULE OUT*

RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI

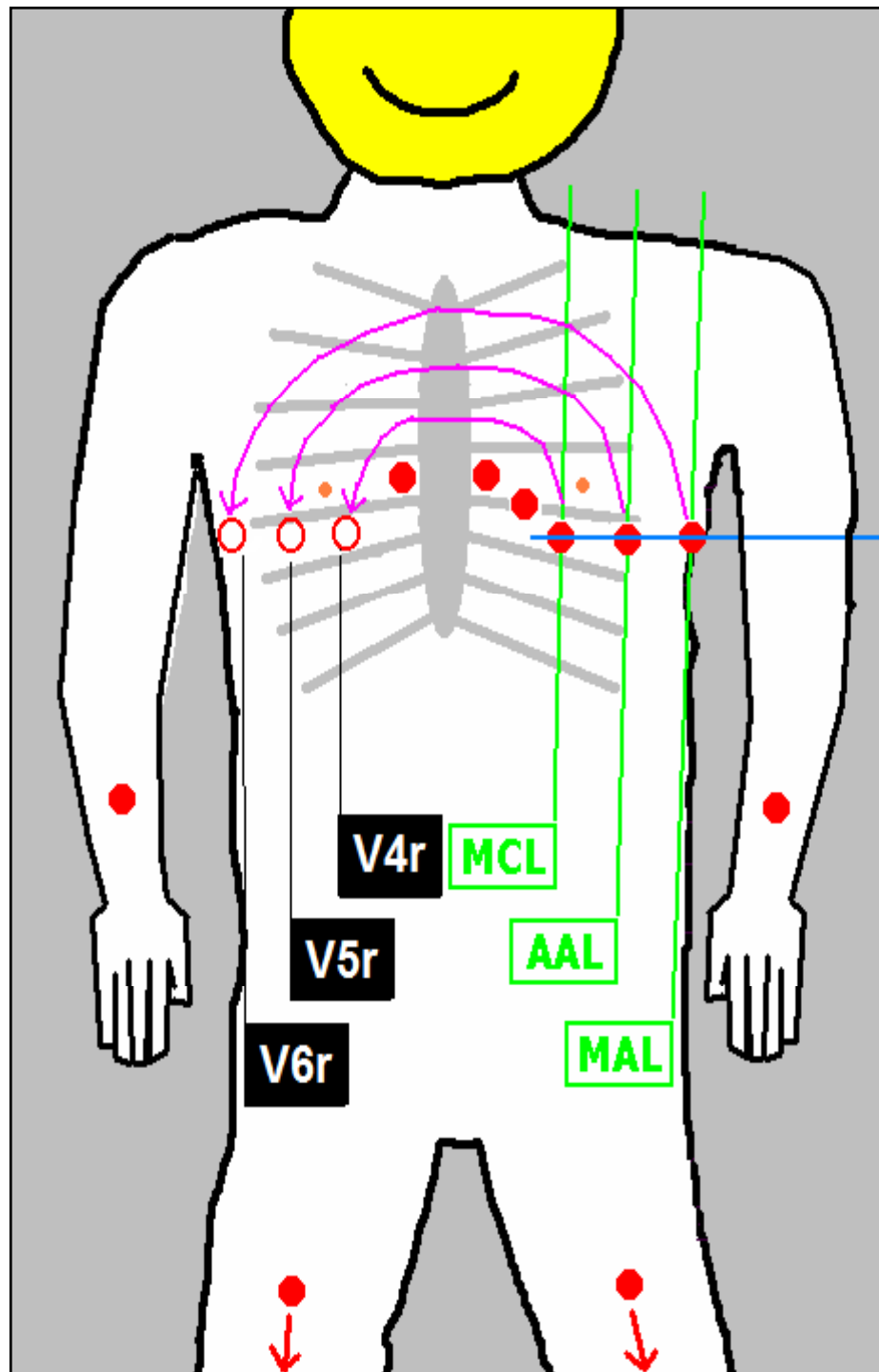
*By obtaining a RIGHT SIDED
ECG BEFORE* giving any:

- NITROGLYCERIN
- Diuretics

***NITROGLYCERIN is a
CLASS III CONTRINDICATION
in
RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI ! !****

**It *WILL* precipitate
PROFOUND HYPOTENSION !**

*** AHA/ACC 2013 STEMI Guidelines**

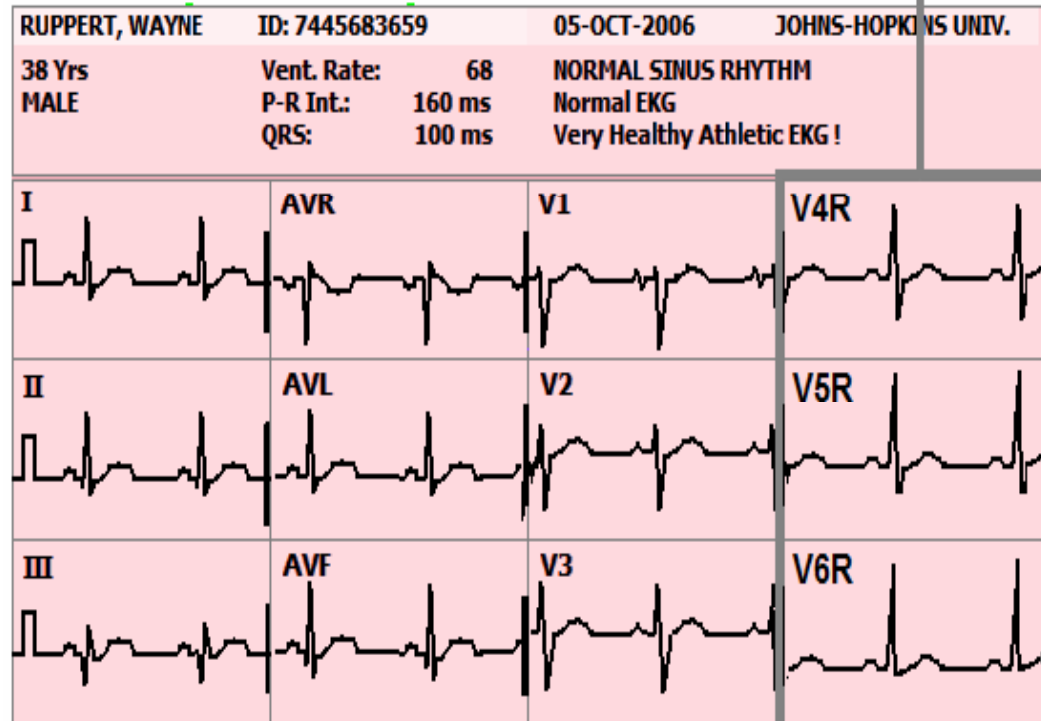
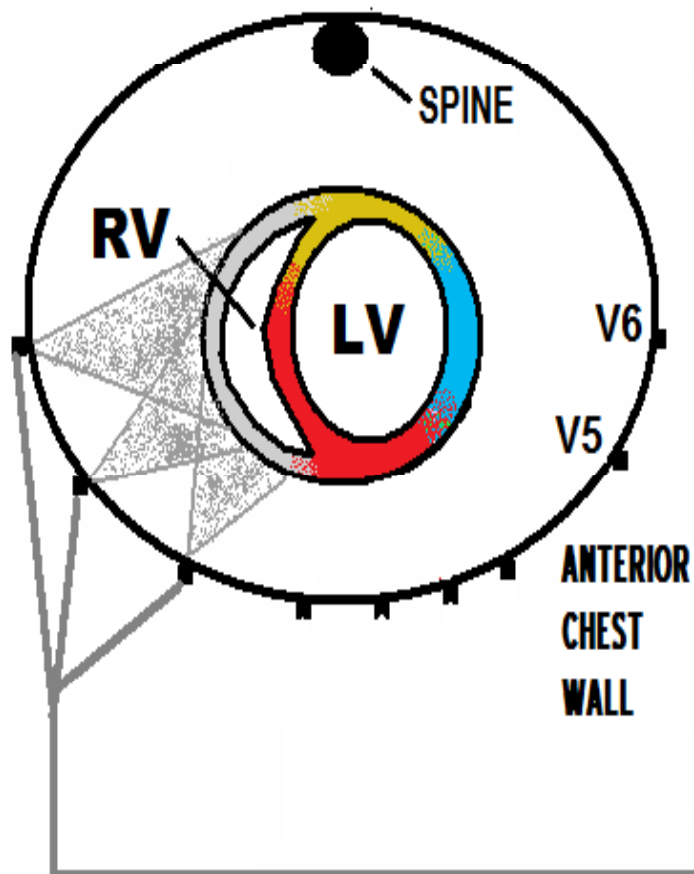


To do a
RIGHT - SIDED EKG . .

**MOVE leads
V4, V5, and V6**

**to the corresponding
placement on the
RIGHT SIDE of patient's
chest . . .**

V4R - V6R VIEW THE RIGHT VENTRICLE



46 yo

Male Caucasian

Room: Opt:

Technician:

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

ID:

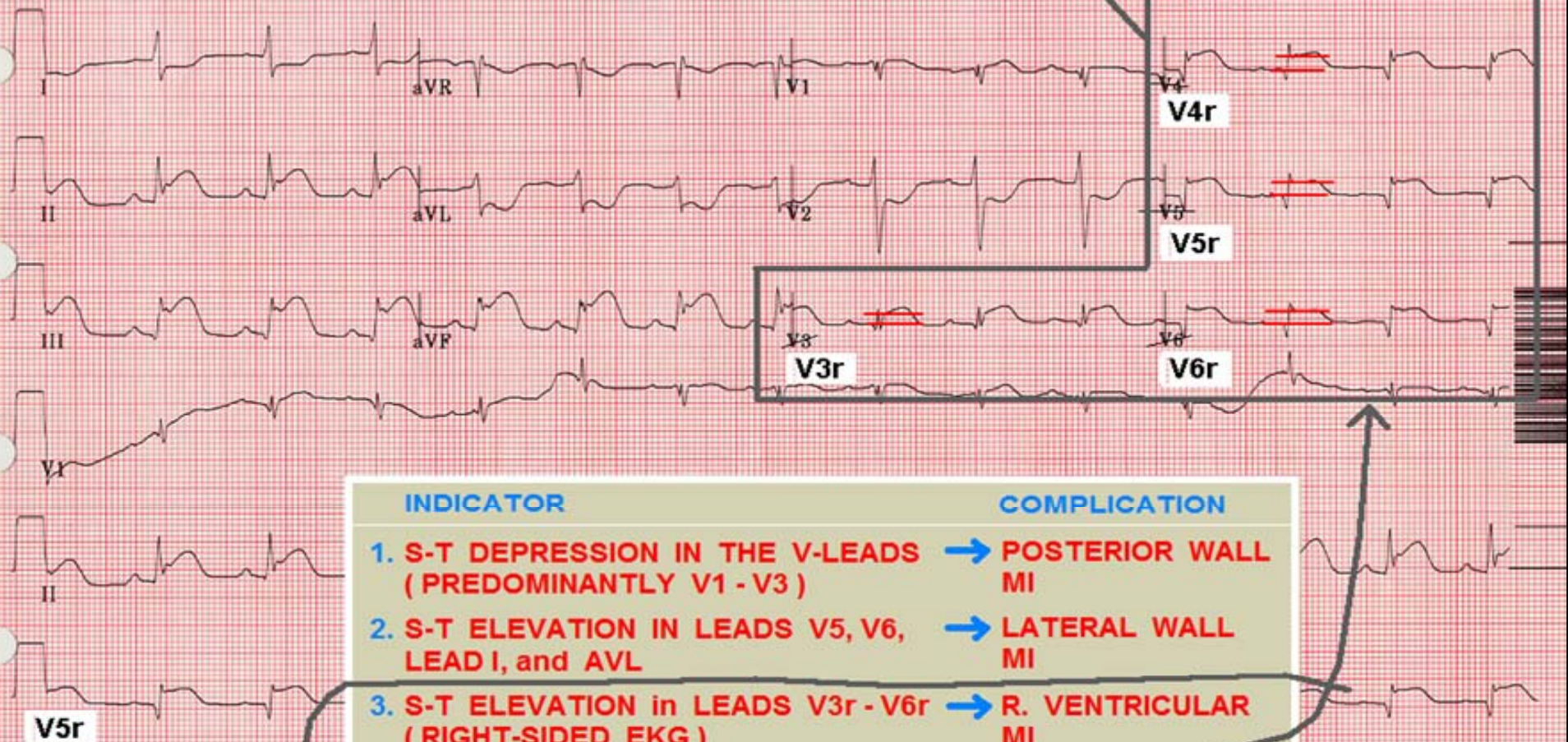
Normal sinus rhythm
~~Anterolateral infarct, possibly acute~~
Inferior injury pattern
***** Acute MI *****
Abnormal ECG

Right Ventricular Infarct

V LEADS
R SIDE

Referred by:

Unconfirmed



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

40 Hz 25.0 mm/s 10.0 mm/mV

4 by 2.5s + 3 rhythm lds

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RENDALL MED/TRACE

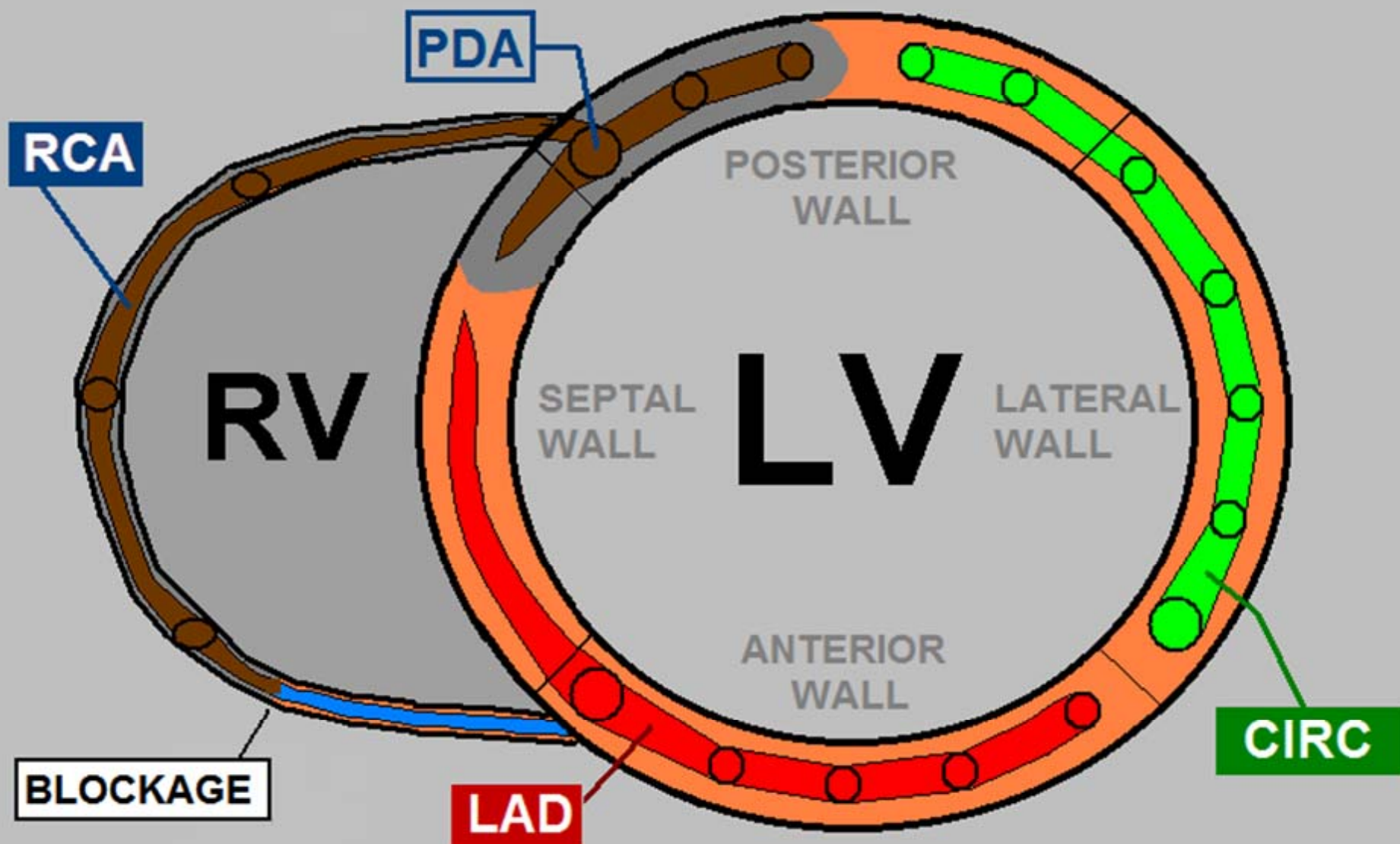
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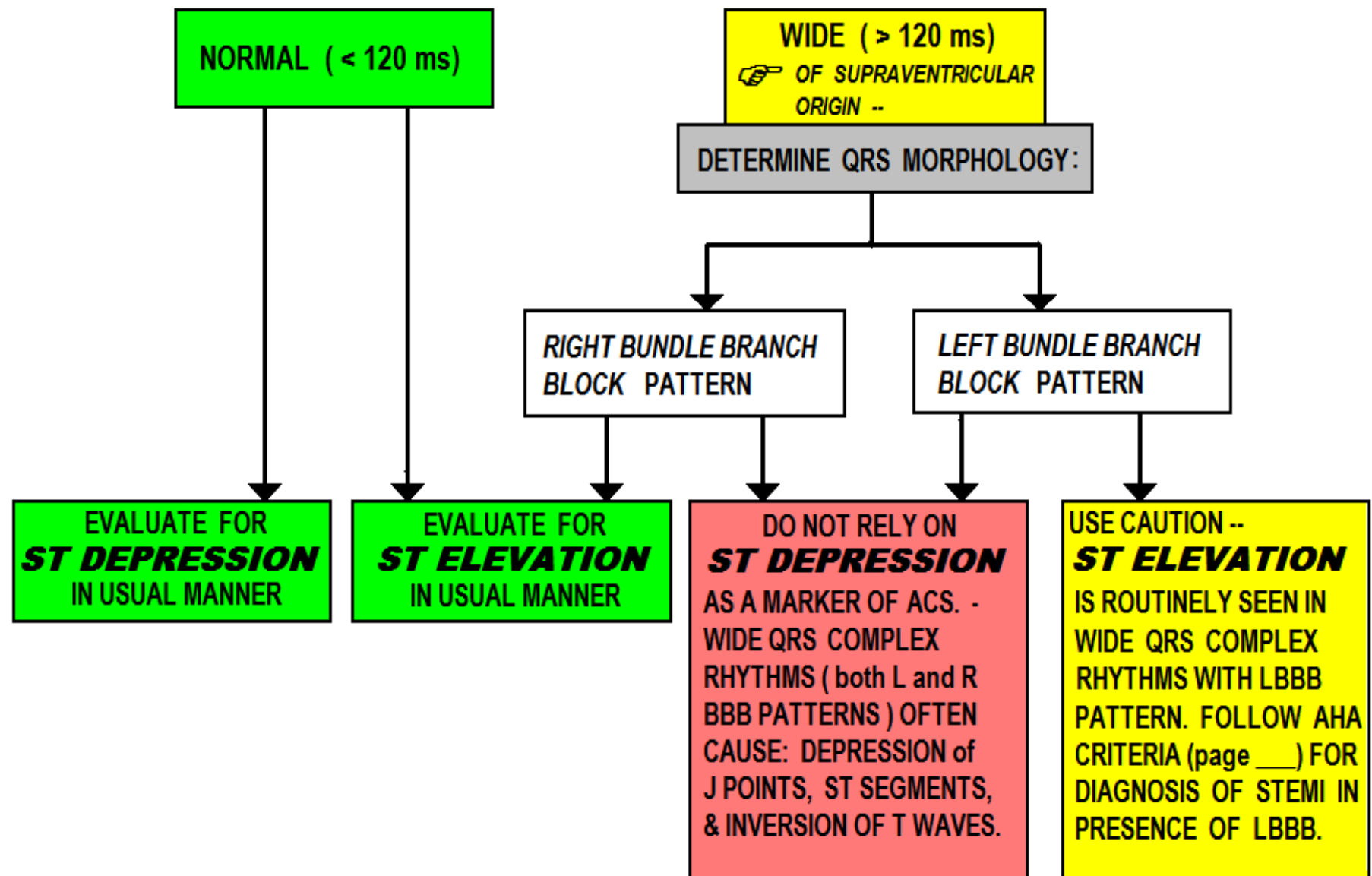
INFERIOR - RIGHT VENTRICULAR MI

DOMINANT RCA

75-80 % of POPULATION



STEP 1 - EVALUATE WIDTH OF QRS:



INFARCTION

A.H.A. ACLS GUIDELINES 2000 / 2006

PATIENTS with RIGHT BUNDLE
BRANCH BLOCK --



use J-POINTS
and S-T SEGMENTS in the *usual*
manner to screen for ACUTE MI

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.



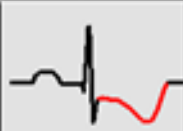
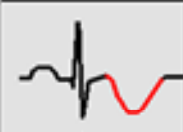
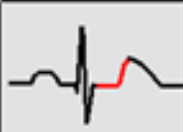
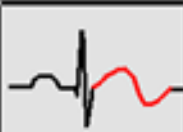
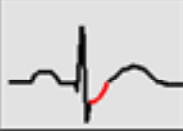
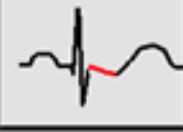
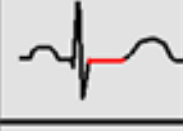
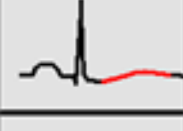
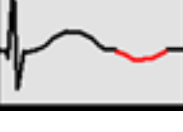
HELPFUL INDICATORS FOR ECG DIAGNOSIS OF STEMI in the presence of LBBB:

- 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

Patterns of ISCHEMIA:

EKG PATTERNS of ACS & ISCHEMIA

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

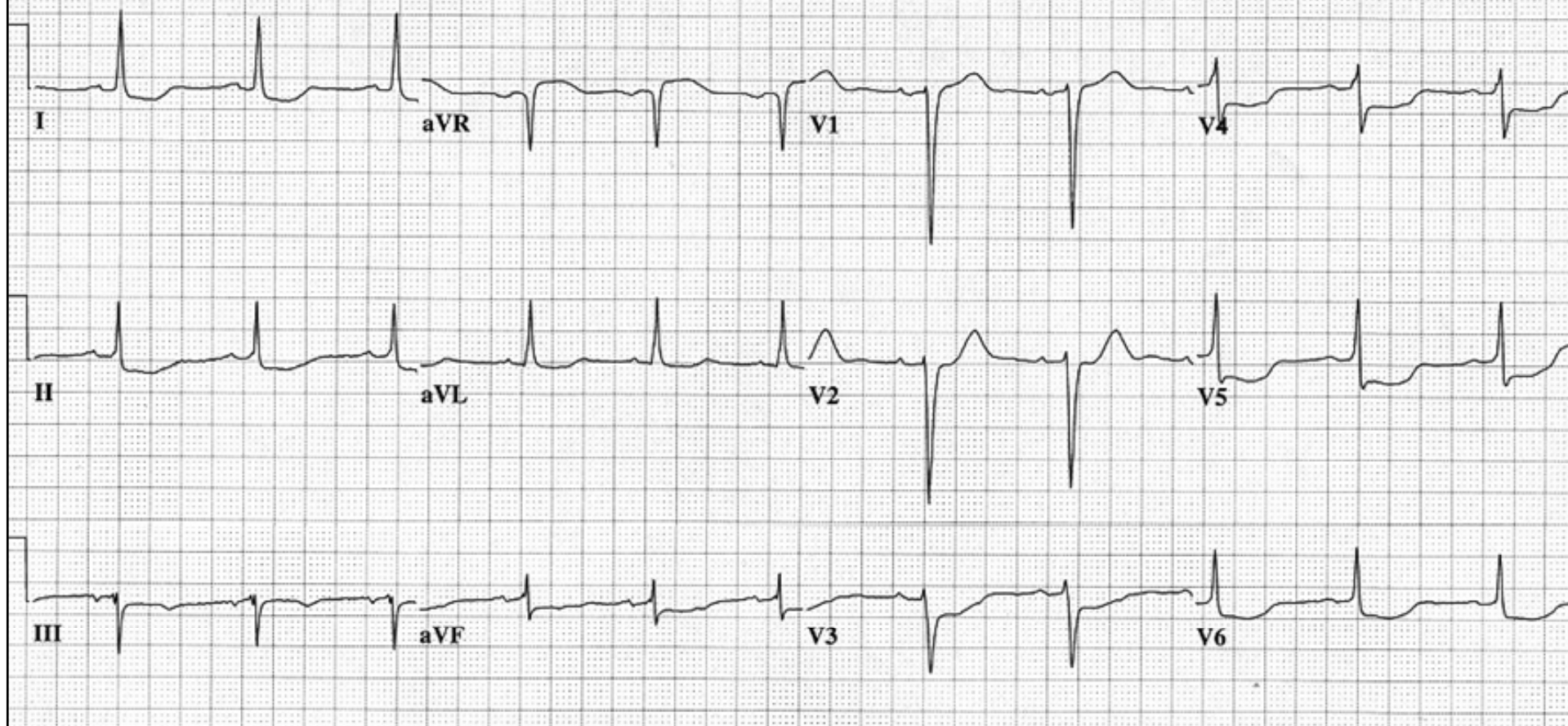
! DEPRESSED J pt. DOWNSLOPING ST and INVERTED T		- ACUTE (NON-Q WAVE) MI - ACUTE MI - (RECIPROCAL CHANGES) - ISCHEMIA
INVERTED T WAVE		- MYOCARDITIS - ELECTROLYTE IMBAL. - ISCHEMIA
SHARP S-T T ANGLE		- ACUTE MI (NOT COMMON) - ISCHEMIA
BI-PHASIC T WAVE (WELLEN'S)		- SUB-TOTAL LAD LESION - VASOSPASM - HYPERTROPHY
DEPRESSED J POINT with UPSLOPING ST		- ISCHEMIA
DOWNSLOPING S-T SEGMENT		- ISCHEMIA
? FLAT S-T SEGMENT > 120 ms		- ISCHEMIA
? LOW VOLTAGE T WAVE WITH NORMAL QRS		- ISCHEMIA
? U WAVE POLARITY OPPOSITE THAT OF T WAVE		- ISCHEMIA

67 yr
Female Hispanic

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

Room:S7
Loc:3 Option:23

OS:



67 yr
Female Hispanic

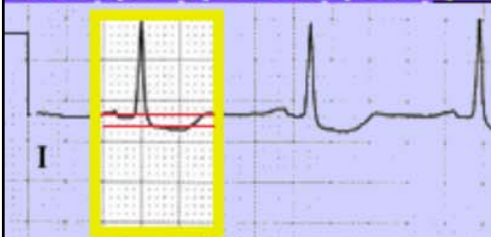
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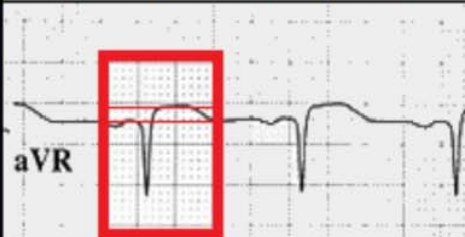
ST SEGMENT ELEVATION

ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION

**LATERAL - ANTERIOR
DIAG (LAD) or OM (CIRC)**



**BASILAR SEPTAL
1st SEPTAL PERF.**



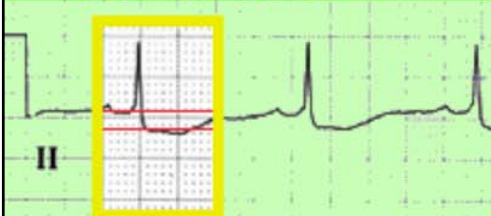
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LAD**



**ANTERIOR
LAD**



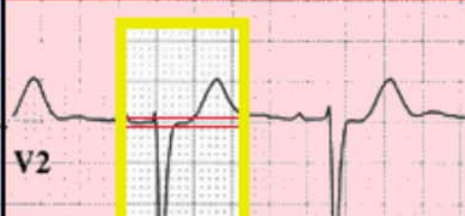
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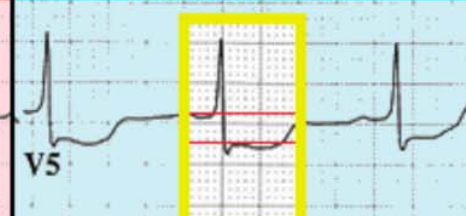
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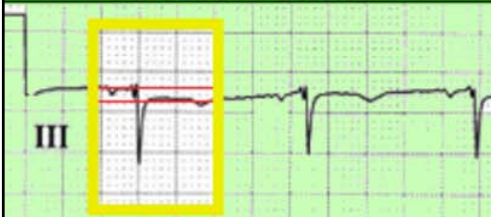
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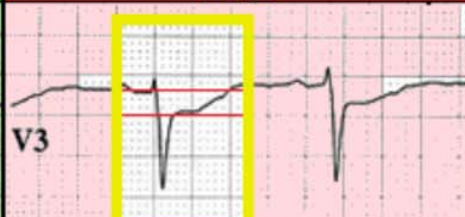
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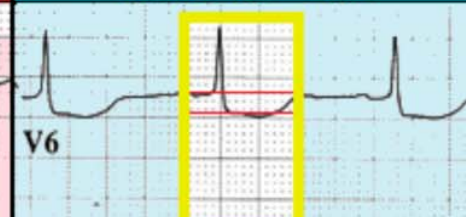
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**ANTERIOR
LAD**



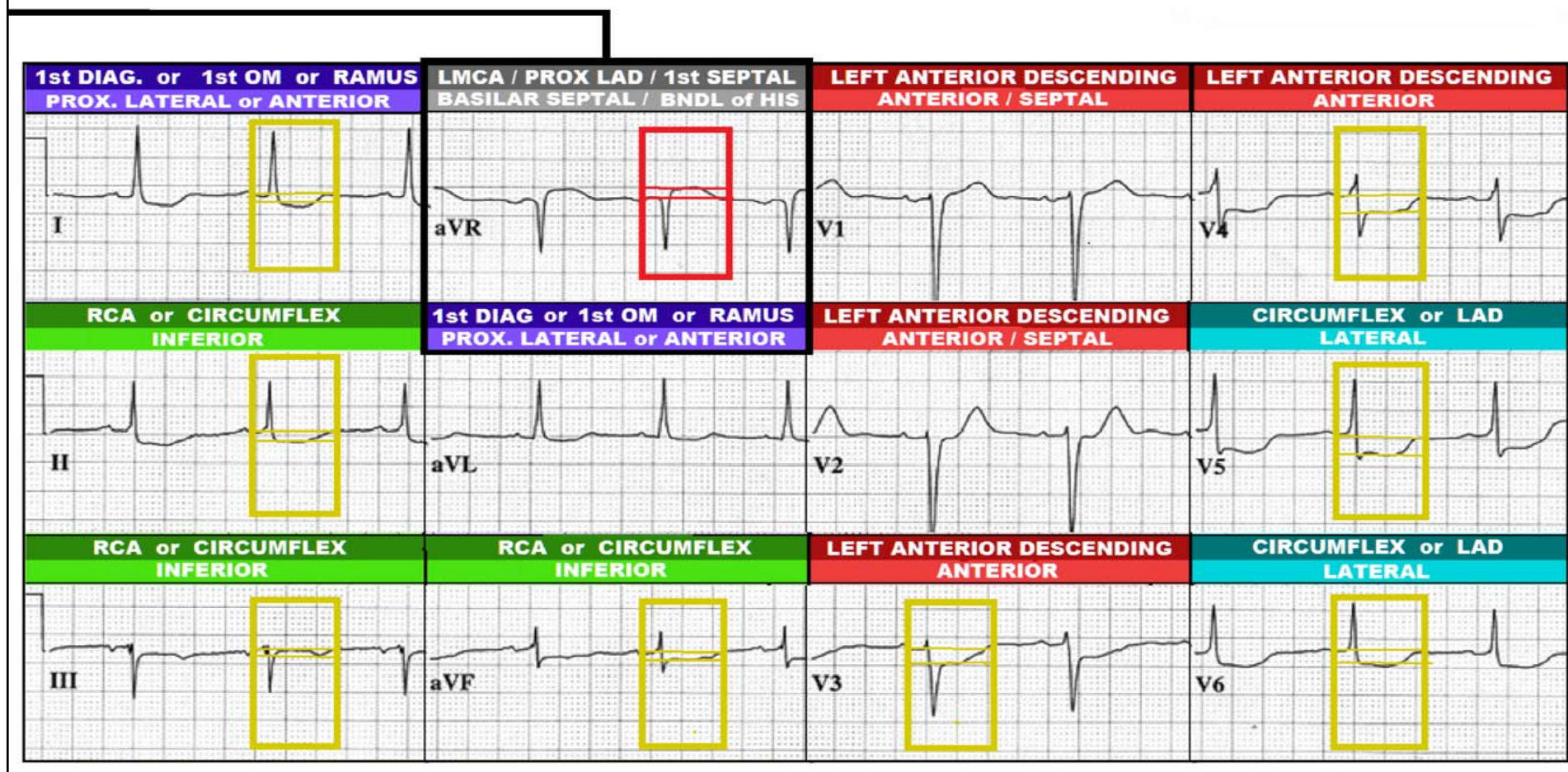
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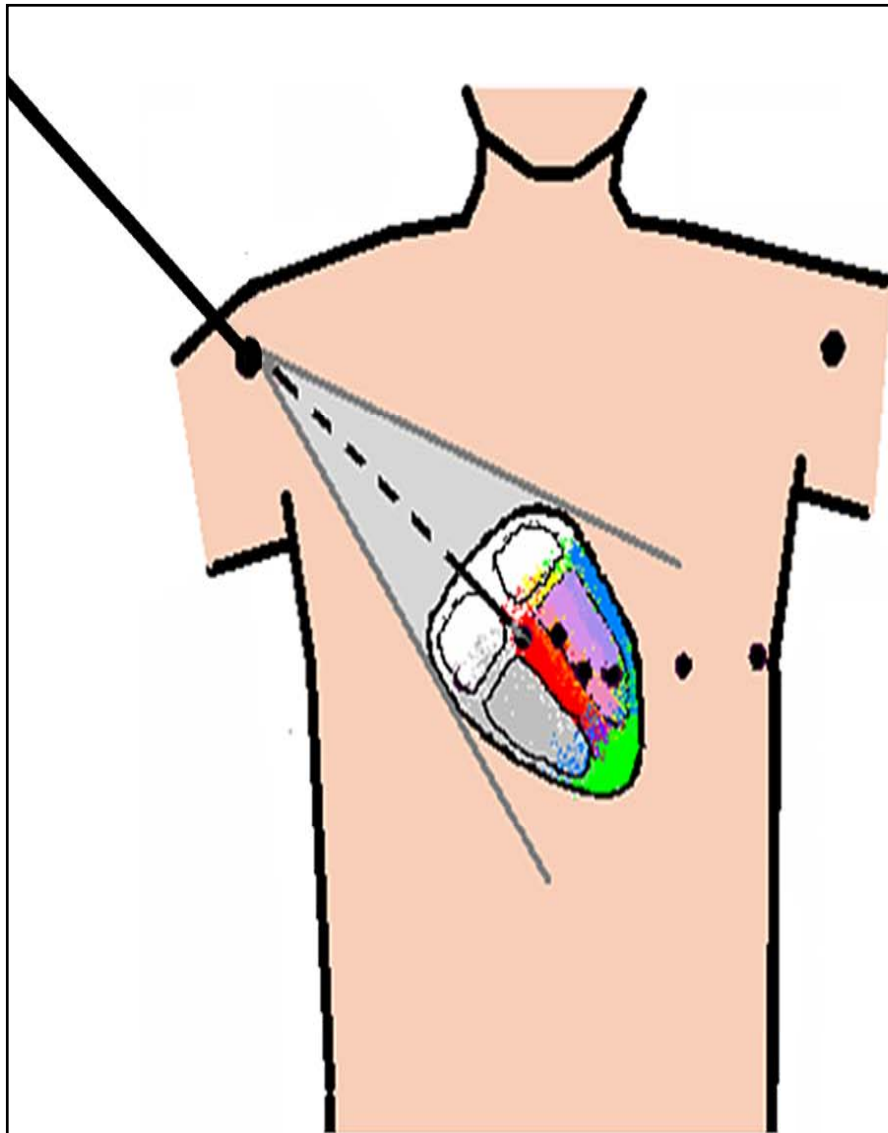


- ✓ **ST ELEVATION in LEAD AVR**
- ✓ **ST DEPRESSION in 8 OR MORE LEADS**
- ✓ **NOT CLASSIFIED as "STEMI" DUE TO ST ELEVATION PRESENT IN LEAD AVR ONLY**
- TROPONIN MAY BE ELEVATED (NSTEMI) or NORMAL.**

ST SEGMENT ELEVATION

ST SEGMENT DEPRESSION

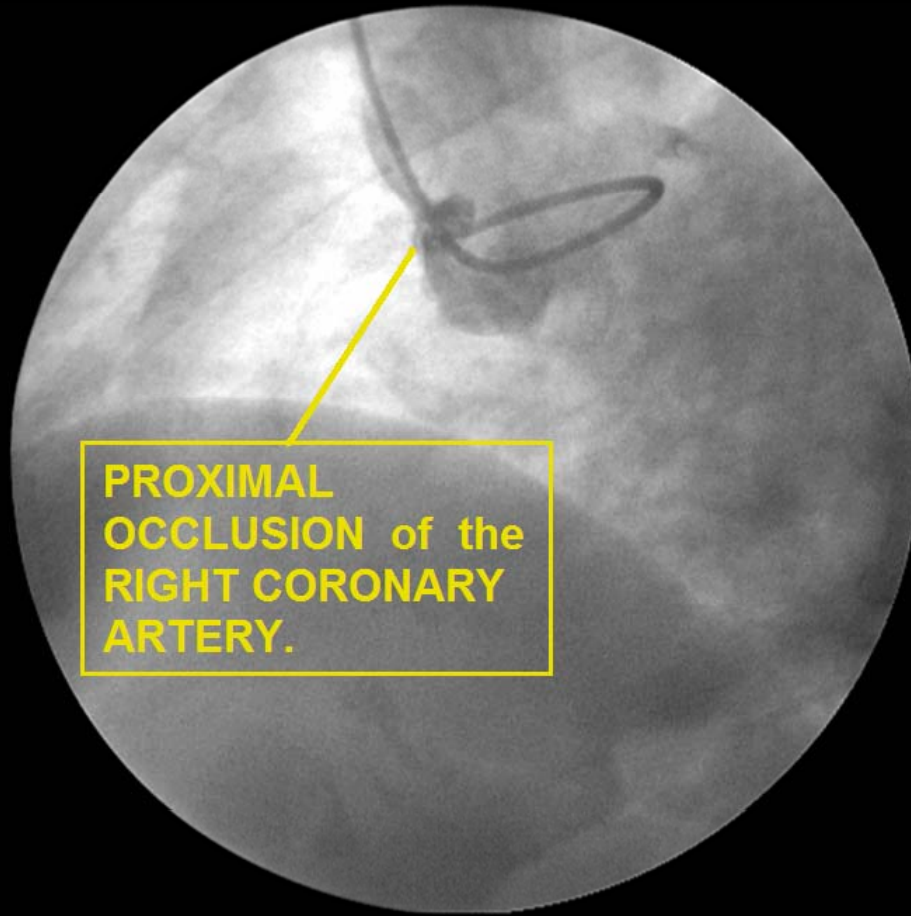




Lead AVR views the BASILAR SEPTUM, the region perfused by the FIRST SEPTAL PERFORATOR originating from the PROXIMAL LAD.

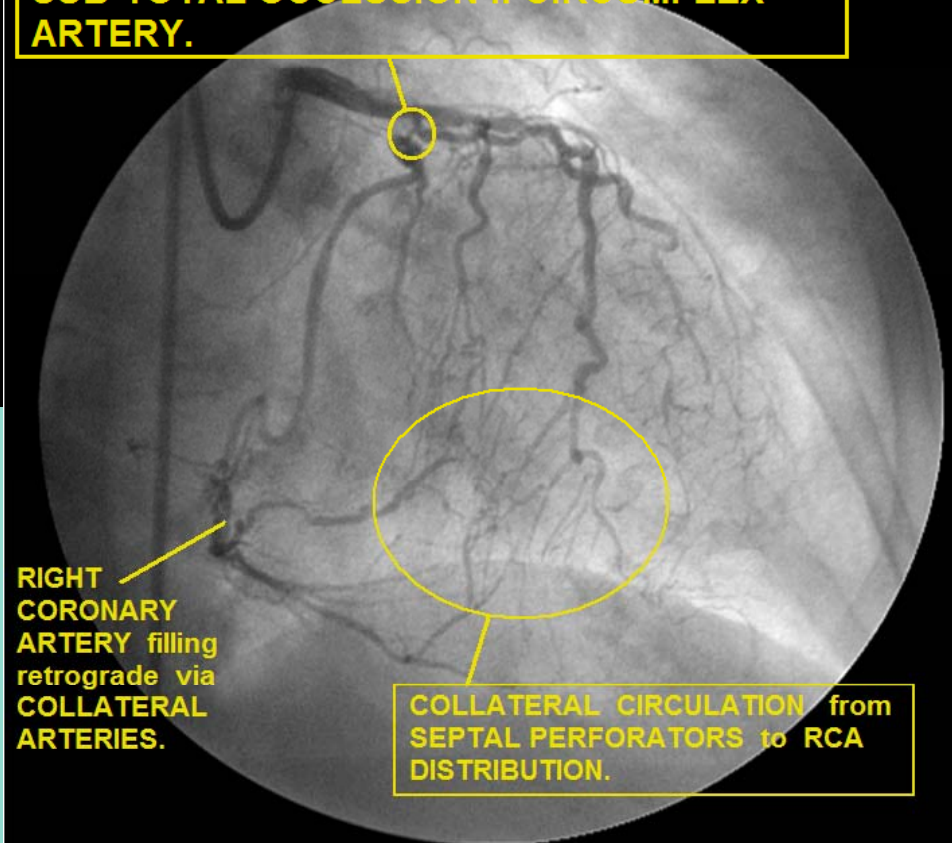
Patients with PRIMARY ST ELEVATION in Lead AVR and GLOBAL ISCHEMIA (ST - DEPRESSION in 8 or more ECG Leads) who experience ANGINA at REST have a 75% incidence of CRITICAL STENOSIS of the LEFT MAIN CORONARY ARTERY or SEVERE TRIPLE- VESSEL DISEASE *

- * 1. Circulation 2009: AHA/ACCF/HRS Recommendations for the Standardization and Interpretation of the ECG: Part VI: Acute Ischemia / Infarction;
- 2. Circulation 2013: ACCF/AHA Guidelines for Management of STEMI



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

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



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

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

OLD MI:

Within last 6 months ??

From: 2014 ACC/AHA Guideline on Perioperative Cardiovascular Evaluation and Management of Patients Undergoing Noncardiac Surgery: A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines

MACE after noncardiac surgery is often associated with prior CAD events. The stability and timing of a recent MI impact the incidence of perioperative morbidity and mortality.

Recent MI, defined as having occurred within 6 months of non-cardiac surgery, was also found to be an independent risk factor for perioperative stroke, which was associated with an 8-fold increase in the perioperative mortality rate

From: 2014 ACC/AHA Guideline on Perioperative Cardiovascular Evaluation and Management of Patients Undergoing Noncardiac Surgery: A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines

A study using discharge summaries demonstrated that the postoperative MI rate decreased substantially as the length of time from MI to operation increased. This risk was modified by the presence and type of coronary revascularization (coronary artery bypass grafting [CABG] versus percutaneous coronary interventions [PCIs]) that occurred at the time of the MI.

Taken together, the data suggest that 60 days should elapse after a MI before noncardiac surgery in the absence of a coronary intervention.

• Q WAVES •

Normal Q Waves

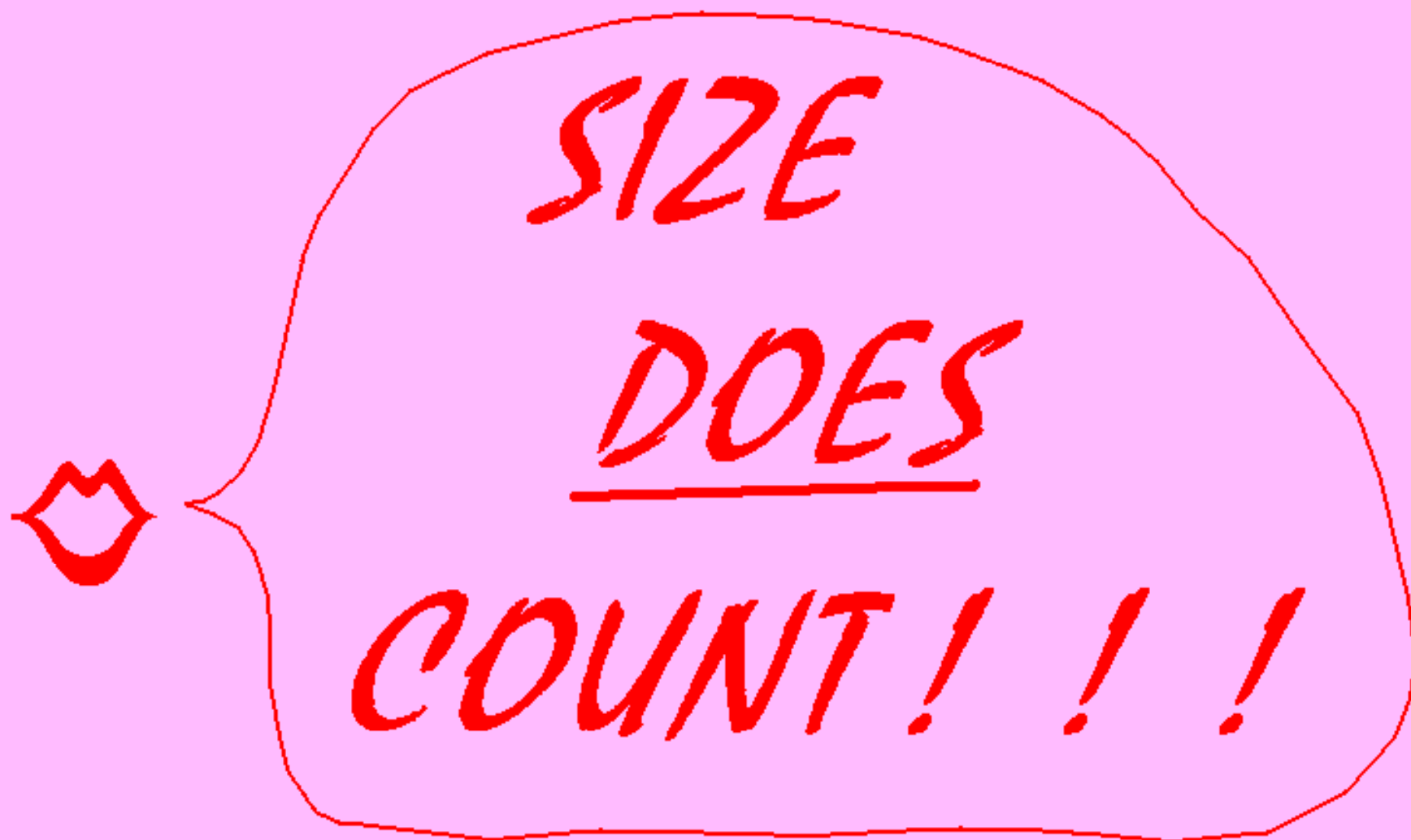
caused by depolarization of
the intraventricular septum

Abnormal Q Waves -

caused by:

- necrosis (old infarction)
- hypertrophy

• Q WAVES •



THE QRS COMPLEX

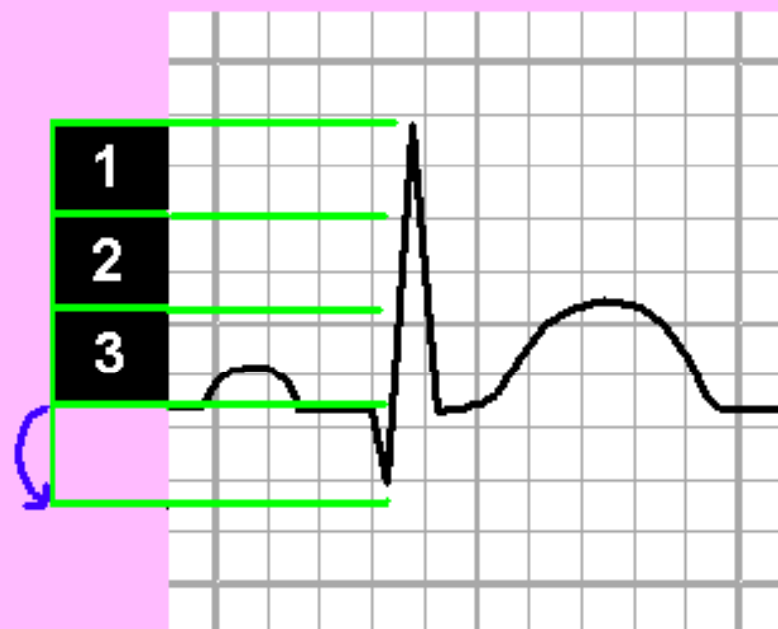
GENERAL RULES FOR NORMAL Q WAVES - WIDTH



**LESS THAN .40
(1 mm) WIDE**

THE QRS COMPLEX

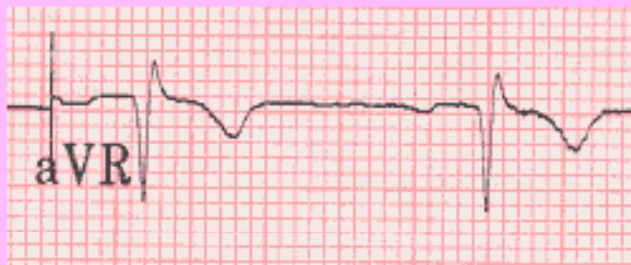
GENERAL RULES FOR NORMAL Q WAVES - HEIGHT



LESS THAN $\frac{1}{3}$ THE
HEIGHT OF THE R WAVE

THE QRS COMPLEX

NORMAL Q WAVES EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES



LEAD aVR



LEAD III



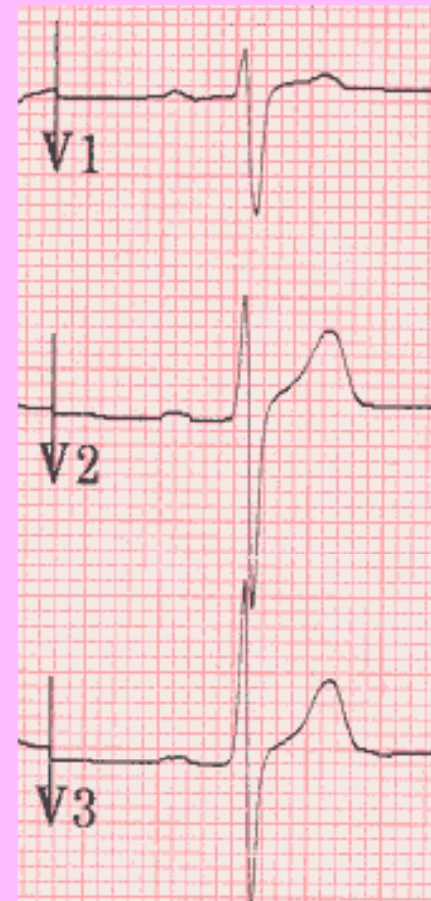
THE Q WAVE CAN BE ANY SIZE

THE QRS COMPLEX

NORMAL Q WAVES EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES



**THERE
SHOULD BE NO Q
WAVES PRESENT
IN LEADS: V1
V2
V3**



THE QRS COMPLEX

Q WAVE RULES - SUMMARY:

- Q WAVES SHOULD BE LESS THAN .40 WIDE (1 mm)
- Q WAVES SHOULD BE LESS THAN $\frac{1}{3}$ THE HEIGHT OF THE R WAVE
- Q WAVES CAN BE ANY SIZE IN LEADS III and AVR
- THERE SHOULD BE NO Q WAVES IN LEADS V1, V2, or V3

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-PAT ROUTINE RETRIEVAL

56 yr
Male CaucasianVent. rate 64 BPM
PR interval 130 ms
QRS duration 84 ms
QT/QTc 398/410 ms
P-R-T axes 69 -17 -97Room:SGC
Loc:2 Option:13

Normal sinus rhythm

Inferior-posterior infarct, age undetermined

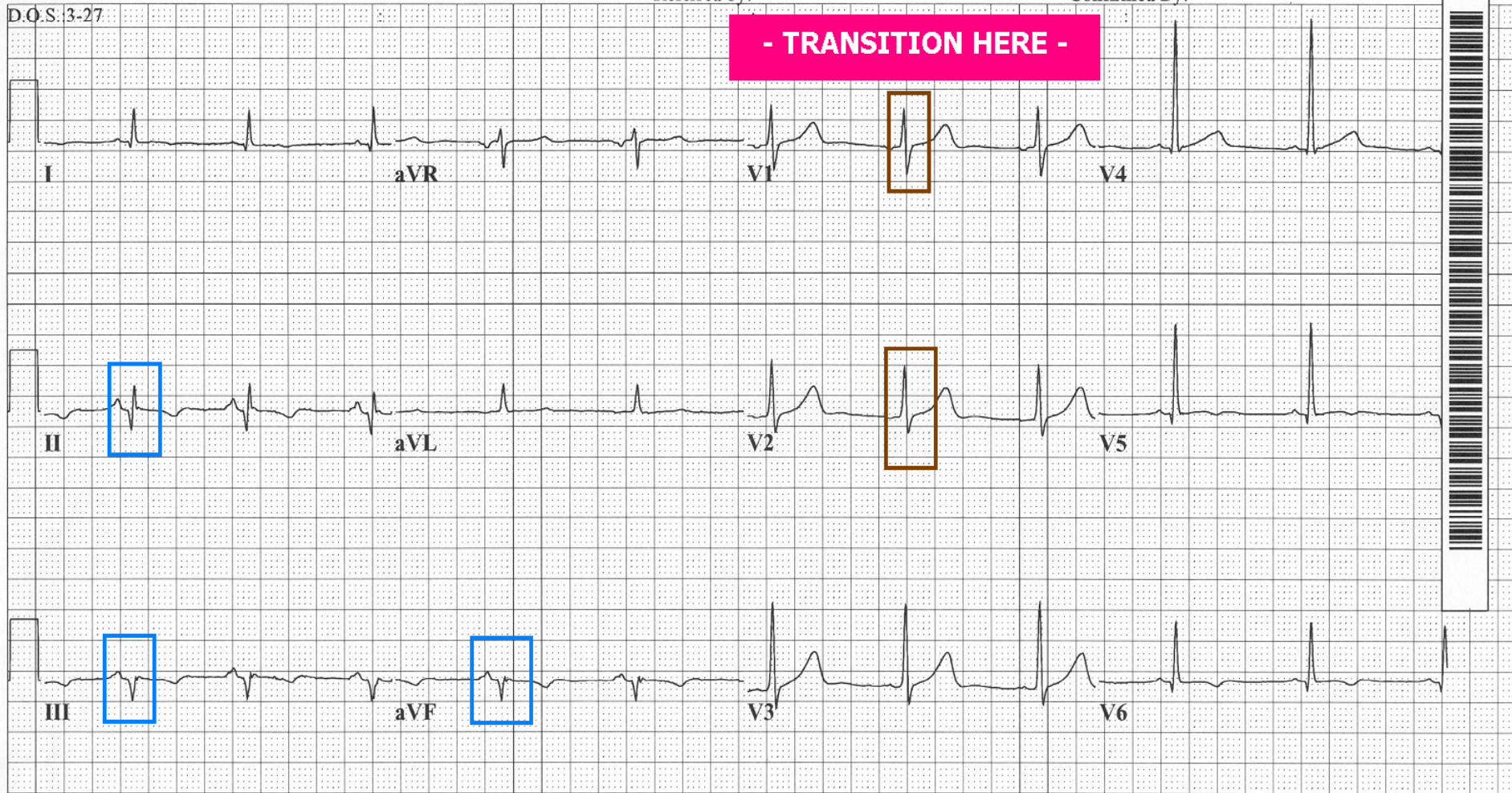
Abnormal ECG

No previous ECGs available

**- SIGNIFICANT Q WAVES
LEADS II, III, AVF****- TRANSITION V1 -- EARLY****EKG CLASS #WR03601840**

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- TRANSITION HERE -

25mm/s 10mm/mV 40Hz 005C 12SL 4 CID: 8

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45 yr
Male Caucasian

Vent. rate 59 BPM
PR interval 144 ms
QRS duration 88 ms
QT/QTc 416/411 ms
P-R-T axes 5 99 25

Room:CCR
Loc:7 Option:35

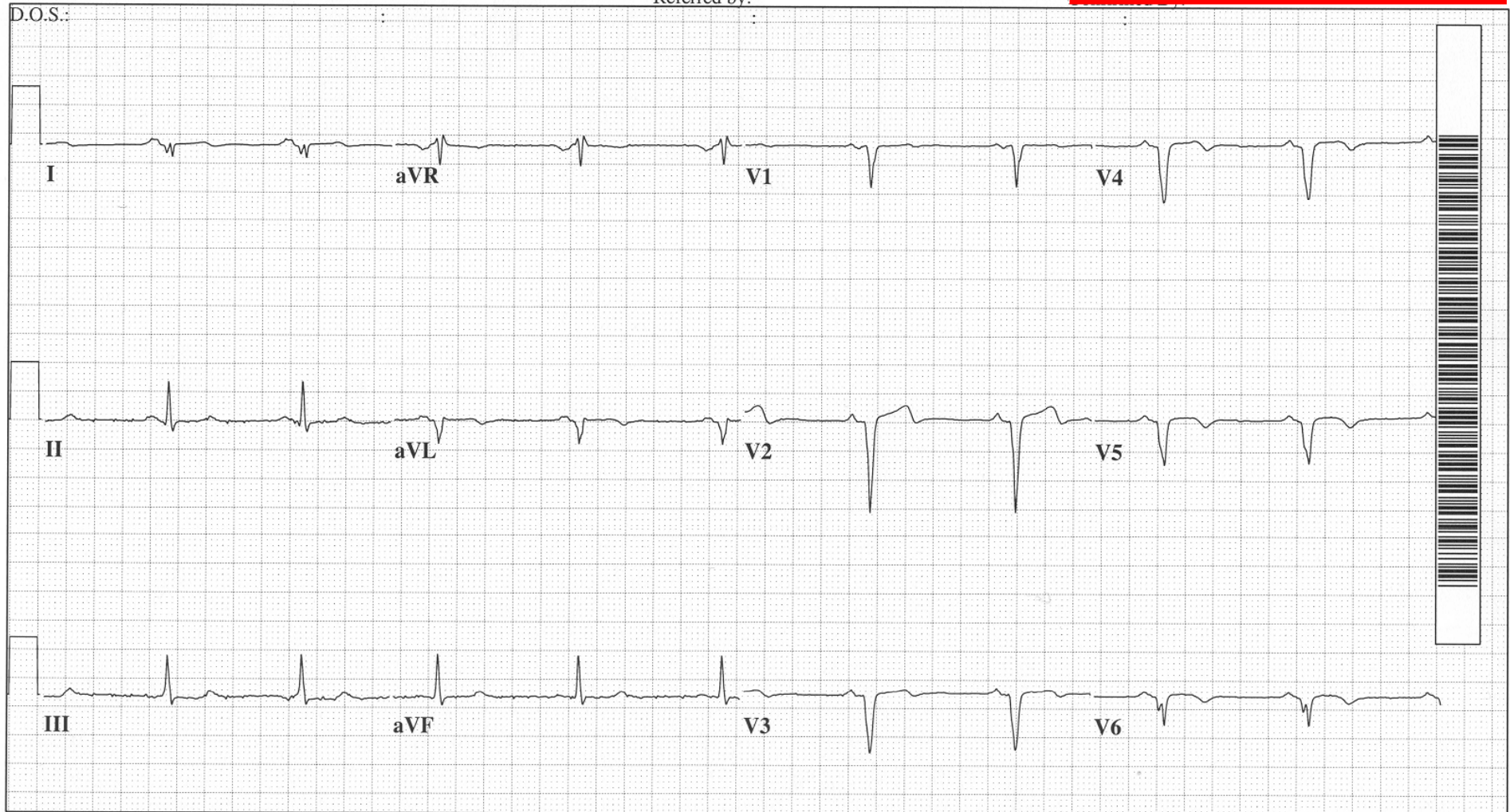
Sinus bradycardia
Anterolateral infarct
(cited on or before 13-NOV-1999)
Abnormal ECG
When compared with ECG of 13-NOV-1999
Significant changes have occurred

**- NO R-WAVE PROGRESSION
IN V-LEADS + Q-WAVES IN
V1 - V4 = OLD ANTERIOR
WALL MI**

**- Q WAVES IN I, AVL, V5, V6 =
OLD LATERAL WALL MI**

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BRUGADA SYNDROME

A DEADLY STEMI Mimic.....

CASE STUDY 18 -- BRUGADA SYNDROME

CHIEF COMPLAINT and SIGNIFICANT HISTORY:

37 y/o FEMALE patient arrives via EMS after being involved in a low speed motor vehicle accident. Per EMS crew, patient was the driver and sole occupant of a car that struck a tree. Patient does not recall accident. Upon further questioning, patient admits to other episodes of syncope and near-syncope. Patient denies feeling any chest pain / pressure or shortness of breath. She states she "felt great" today, until just before the the accident, when she "suddenly felt lightheaded and must have blacked-out."

RISK FACTOR PROFILE:

 **FAMILY HISTORY: MATERNAL AUNT DIED AT AGE 31, UNEXPECTEDLY. WAS RULED AS A "HEART ATTACK." THERE WAS NO PRIOR KNOWN HISTORY OF CAD.**

PHYSICAL EXAM: Pt. CAO x 3, skin warm, dry, color normal. Abrasions /contusions on face (airbag deployment). Patient appears to be in excellent physical condition, states she exercises several times per week (aerobics, weight training, swimming).

VITAL SIGNS: BP: 112/66, P: , R: 20, SAO2: 100% on room air.

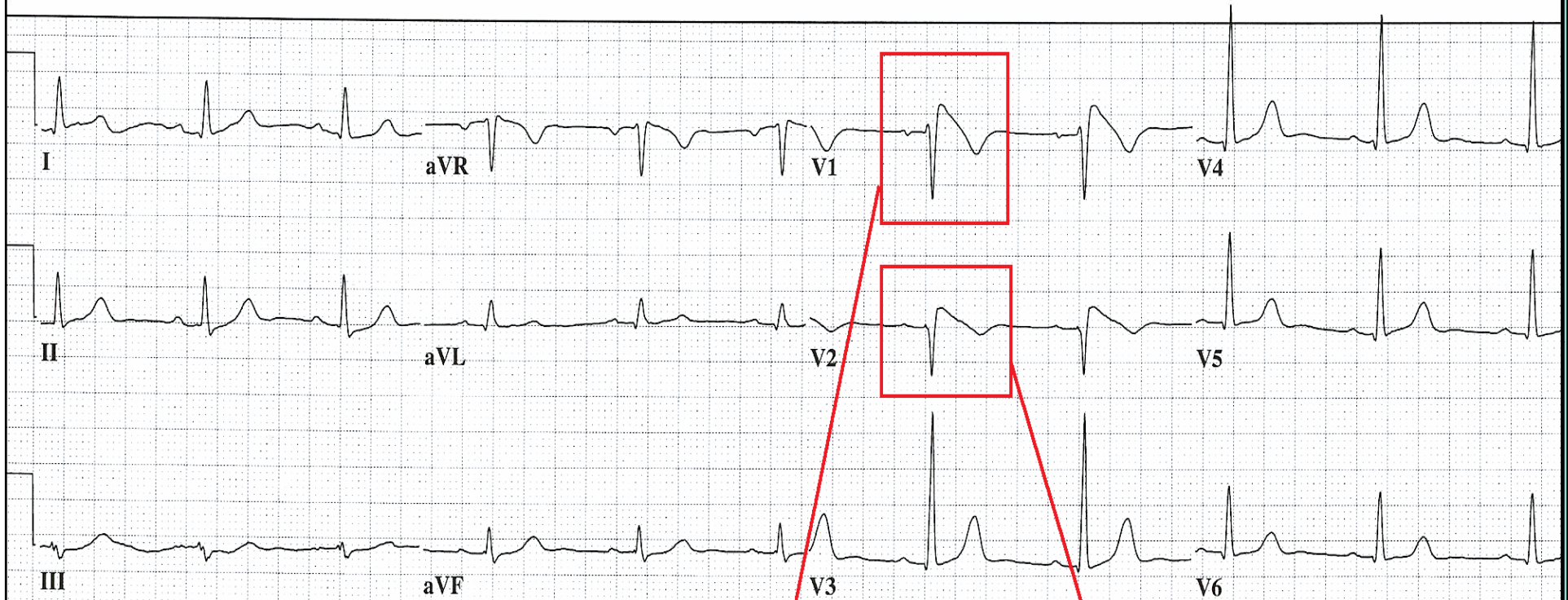
LABS: TROPONIN: < .04 BMP and CBC: all values within normal limits.

37 yr
Female Caucasian

Vent. rate	62	BPM
PR interval	180	ms
QRS duration	88	ms
QT/QTc	418/424	ms
P-R-T axes	37 22 47	

Normal sinus rhythm
Normal ECG
No previous ECGs available

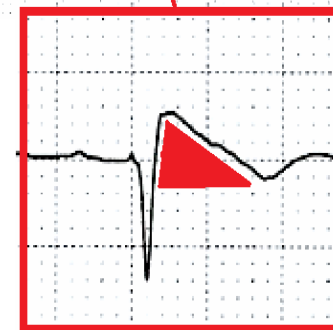
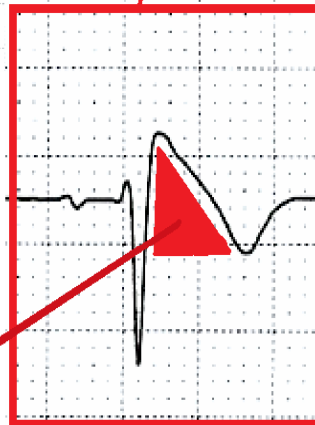
**NOTE COMPUTER
INTERPRETATION !**



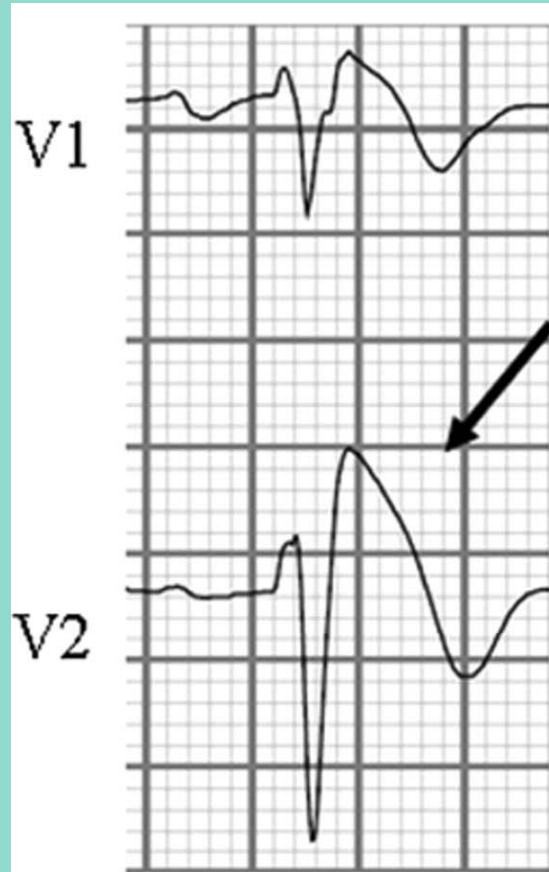
**THIS PATIENT EXHIBITS A "CLASSIC" TYPE I
BRUGADA SYNDROME ECG PATTERN:**

- ELEVATED J POINTS IN V1, V2
- DOWNSLOPING "COVED" ST SEGMENT
- INVERTED T WAVE.

**NEVER FORGET THE
"TRIANGULAR" SHAPE !**



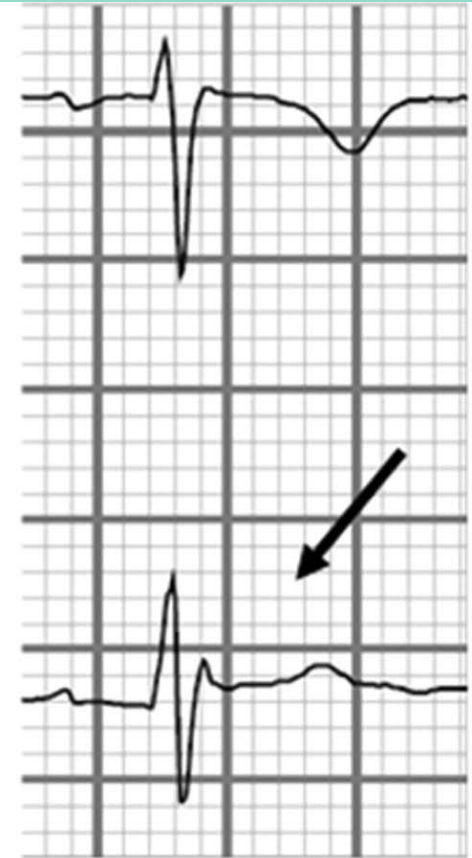
Brugada Syndrome -- 3 ECG Patterns:



Type 1:
Coved type
ST-segment
elevation

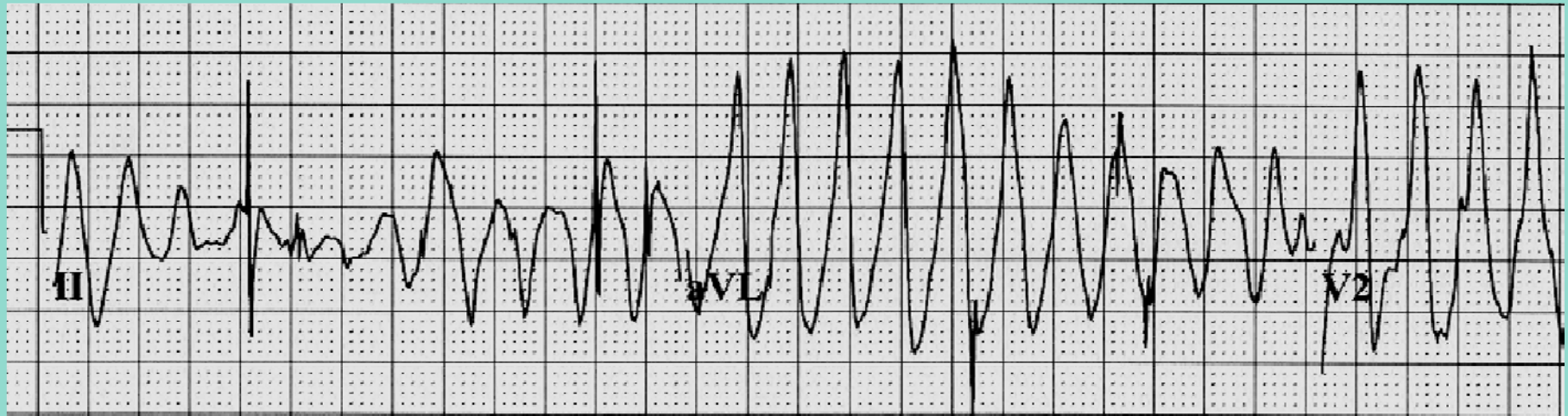


Type 2:
saddle-back type
ST-segment
elevation



Type 3:
Saddle-back type
"ST-segment
elevation"

Brugada / Long QT Syndromes cause:



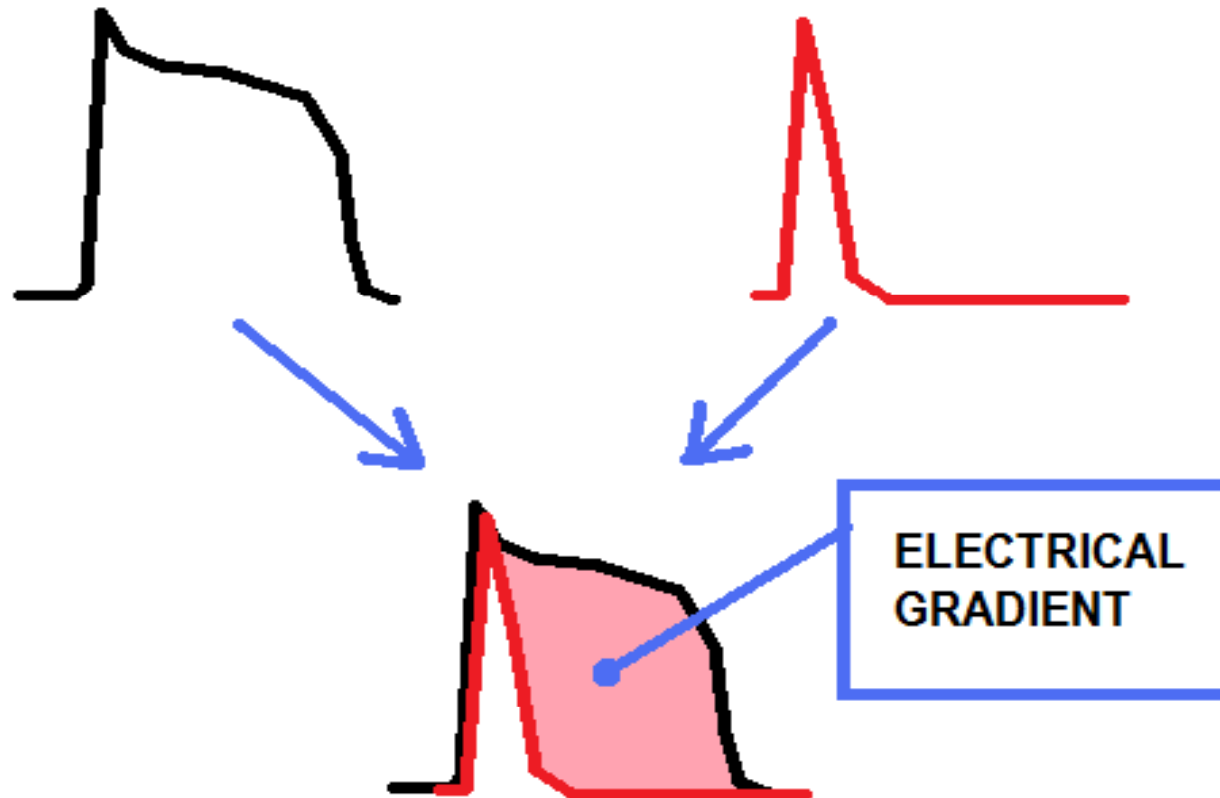
Torsades de Pointes:

- **Decreased – to – NO Cardiac Output**
- **Often patient PULSELESS during episode**
- **Causes SYNCOPE**
- **Often DETERIORATES into VENTRICULAR FIBRILLATION and CARDIAC ARREST.**

MECHANISM OF PHASE 2 RE-ENTRY IN BRUGADA SYNDROME

NORMAL ENDOCARDIAL
ACTION POTENTIAL

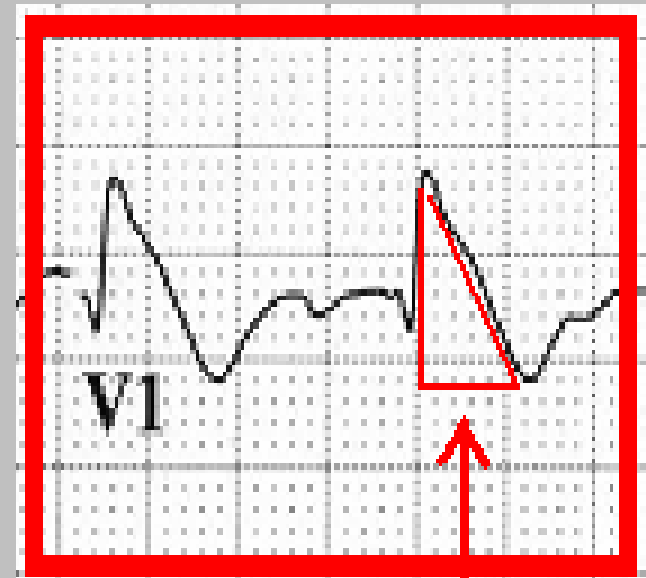
ALTERED (SHORTENED) ACTION
POTENTIAL OF EPICARDIAL CELLS



**Trigger for Torsades de Pointes – ECTOPIC BEAT during
The “ELECTRICAL GRADIENT” phase shown above.**

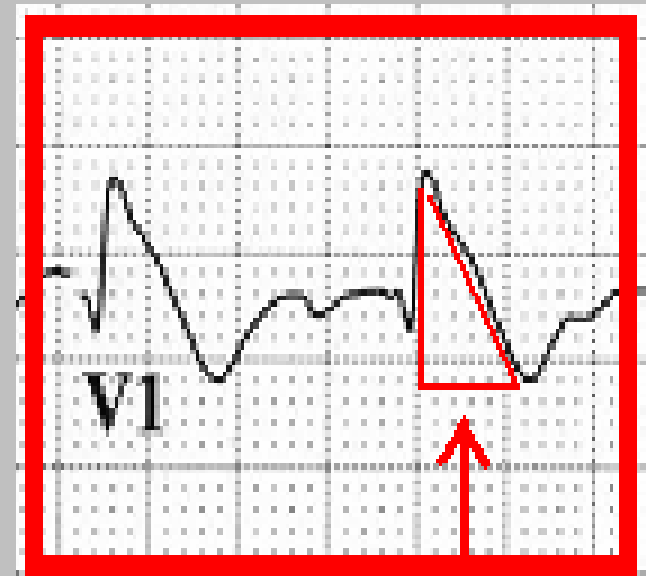
BRUGADA SYNDROME

- GENETIC DISORDER - GENE SCN5A, which encodes CARDIAC SODIUM CHANNELS.
- CAUSES EARLY RIGHT VENTRICULAR SUB-EPICARDIAL REPOLARIZATION
- CAUSES RUNS OF TORSADES de POINTES, and SUDDEN DEATH from TORSADES and V-FIB.
- IS BELIEVED TO CAUSE 4 - 12 % of ALL SUDDEN DEATHS, and 50 % of ALL CARDIAC DEATHS where pt. has a STRUCTUALLY NORMAL HEART.



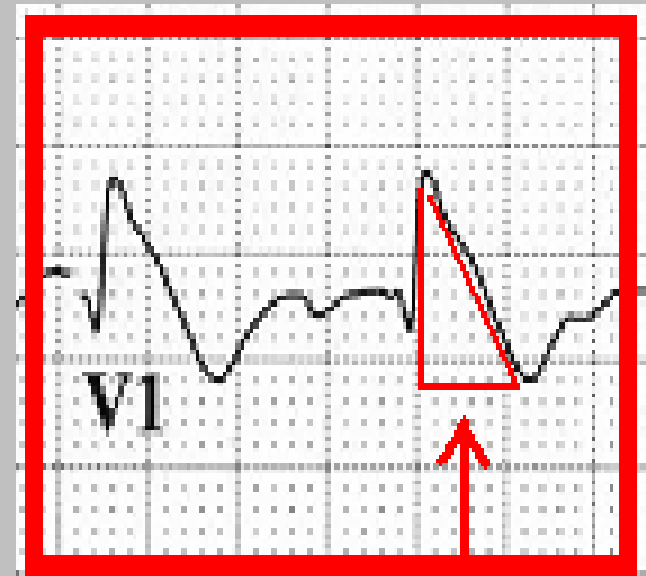
BRUGADA SYNDROME

- SEVERAL VARIATIONS of this disorder are known to exist.
- CONCEALED and NON-CONCEALED.
- The NON-CONCEALED version HAS THE V1-V3 abnormality VISIBLE at all times.
- The CONCEALED version - pt. has a NORMAL EKG at most times - a DRUG STUDY, an EP STUDY, and / or GENETIC TESTING must be done to rule out or confirm diagnosis.



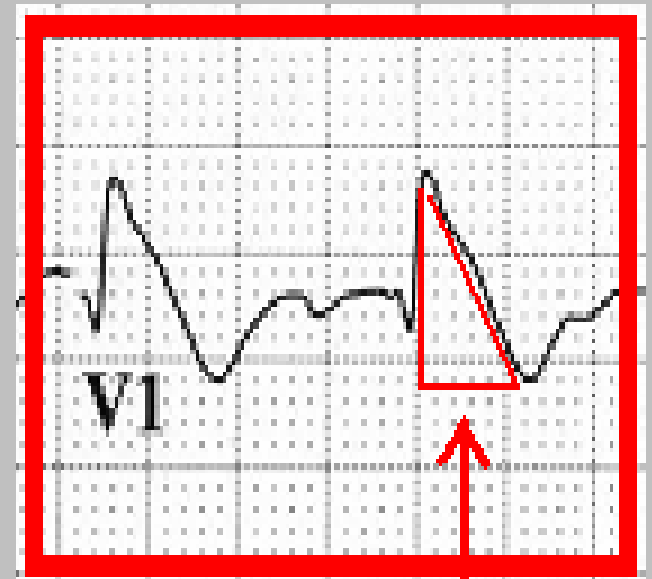
BRUGADA SYNDROME

- **YOUNG MALES** of **SOUTHEAST ASIAN DESCENT** are in **HIGH RISK GROUP**, however this disorder affects **ANY RACE** or **GENDER**.
- **BRUGADA SYNDROME** is **HEREDITARY**.
- **SUSPECT BRUGADA SYNDROME** in patients with **FAMILY HISTORY** of **BRUGADA / SUDDEN DEATH**, and/or **TORSADES**.



BRUGADA SYNDROME - TREATMENT

ICD implantation is the only known effective treatment to date.



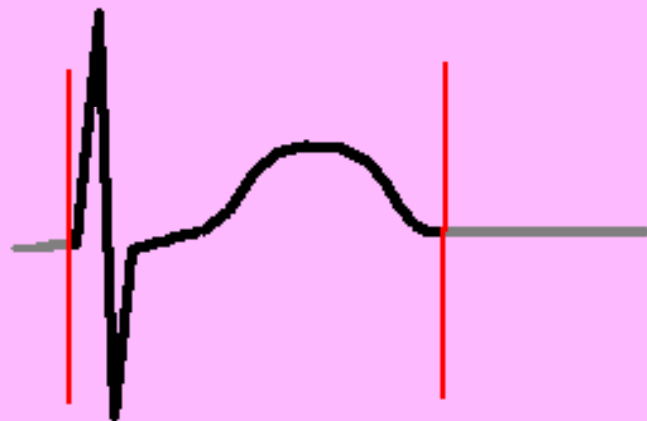
www.brugada.org

www.sads.org

www.QTsyndrome.ch

www.crediblemeds.org

THE Q - T INTERVAL



- BEGINNING OF QRS COMPLEX TO THE END OF THE T WAVE
- NORMAL VALUES VARY BASED ON HEART RATE
- SEVERAL WAYS TO DETERMINE NORMAL LIMITS

THE *QTc INTERVAL

* QTc = Q-T interval,
corrected for heart rate

HEART RATE	MALE	FEMALE
150	0.25	0.28
125	0.26	0.29
100	0.31	0.34
93	0.32	0.35
83	0.34	0.37
71	0.37	0.40
60	0.40	0.44
50	0.44	0.48
43	0.47	0.51

Annals of Internal Medicine, 1988 109:905.

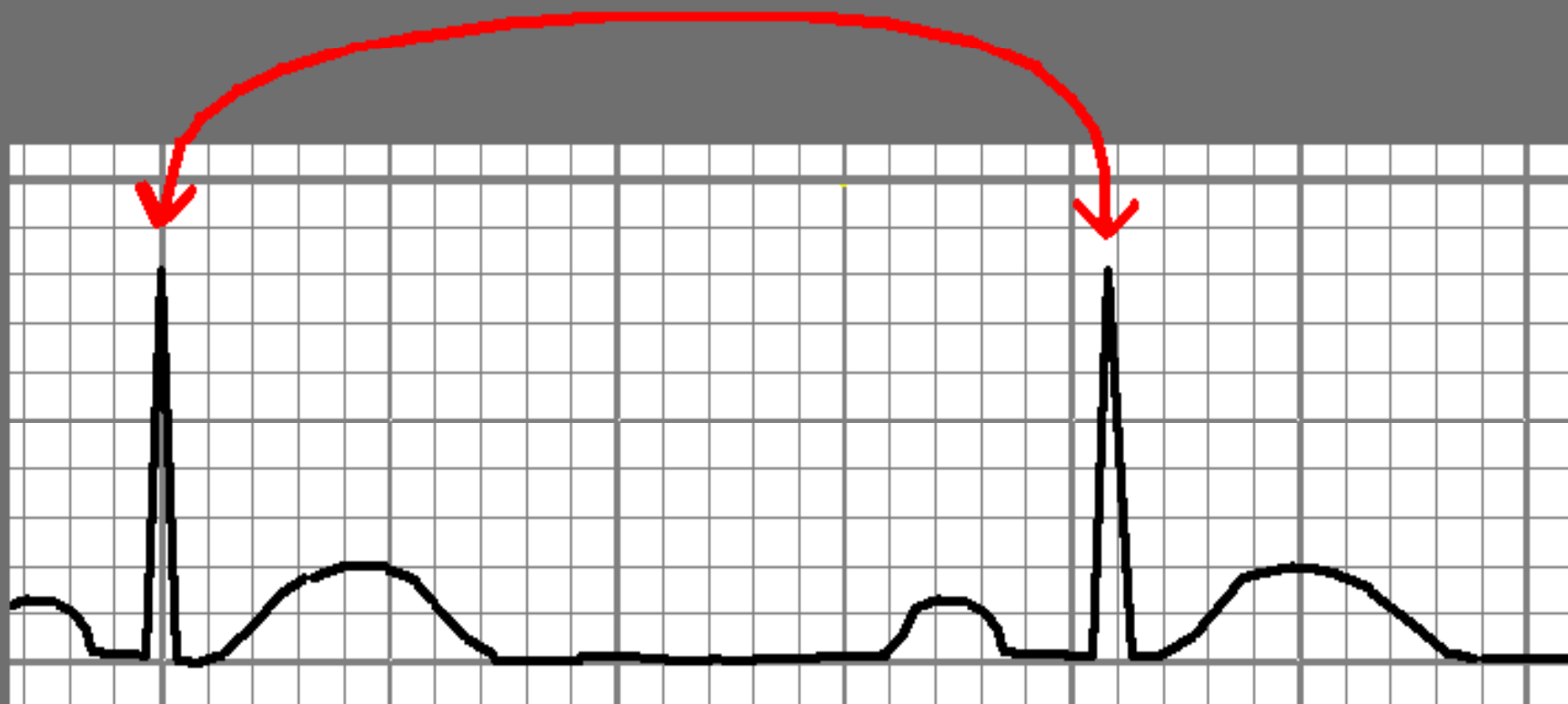
QT CORRECTION FORMULAS:

Bazett's	$QT_c = QT / \sqrt{RR}$
Fredericia	$QT_c = QT / (RR)^{1/3}$
Framingham	$QT_c = QT + 0.154(1 - RR)$
Rautaharju	$QT_c = 656 / (1 + HR/100)$

DETERMINING Q-T INTERVAL LIMITS

THE "QUICK PEEK" METHOD

(for Heart Rates 60 - 100)



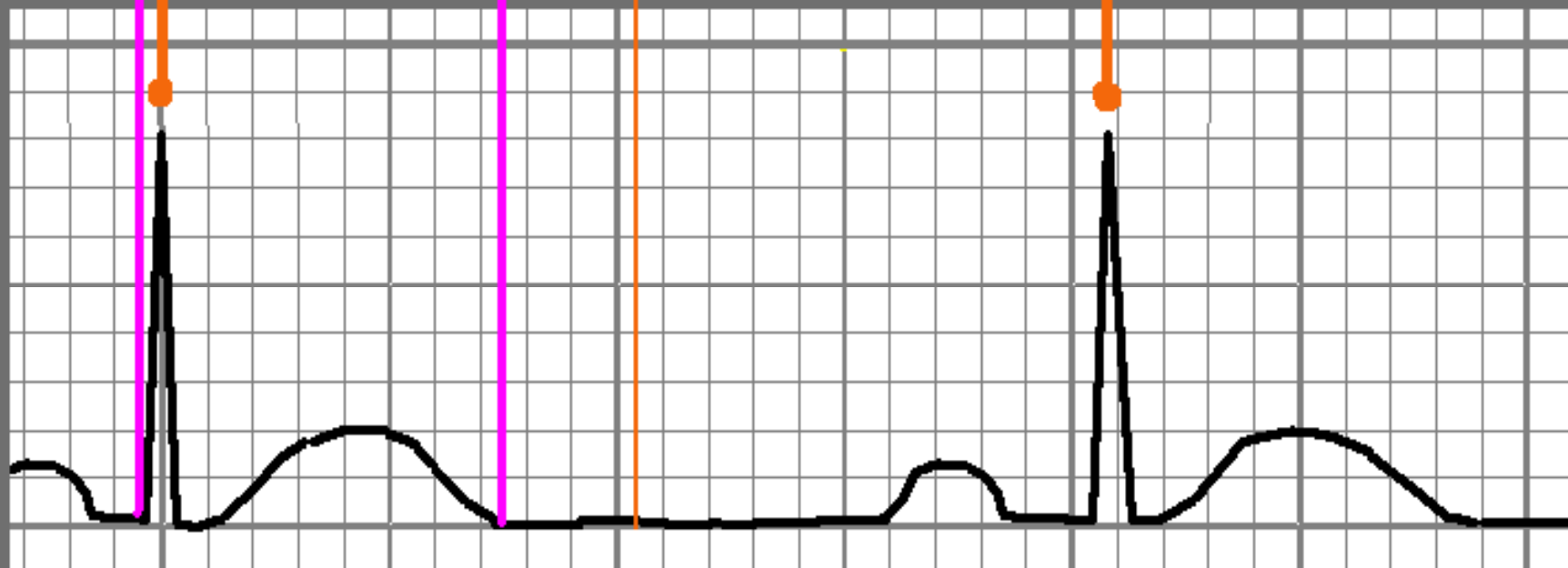
The Q - T Interval
should be LESS THAN $\frac{1}{2}$ the

R - R Interval

OK

TOO LONG

GOOD



ECG Indicators of Long QT Syndrome:

- QTc 460ms or longer in females*
- QTc 450ms or longer in males*
- T wave alterans
- U waves >100% of the T wave
- U waves merged with T waves
- U waves >0.1mv (1mm on standard calibrated ECG)

* P. Rautaharju, et al, "Standardization and Interpretation of the ECG, Part IV"

JACC2009;53, no. 11:982-991



WHEN LQTS IS SUSPECTED, TAKE THE FOLLOWING PRECAUTIONS

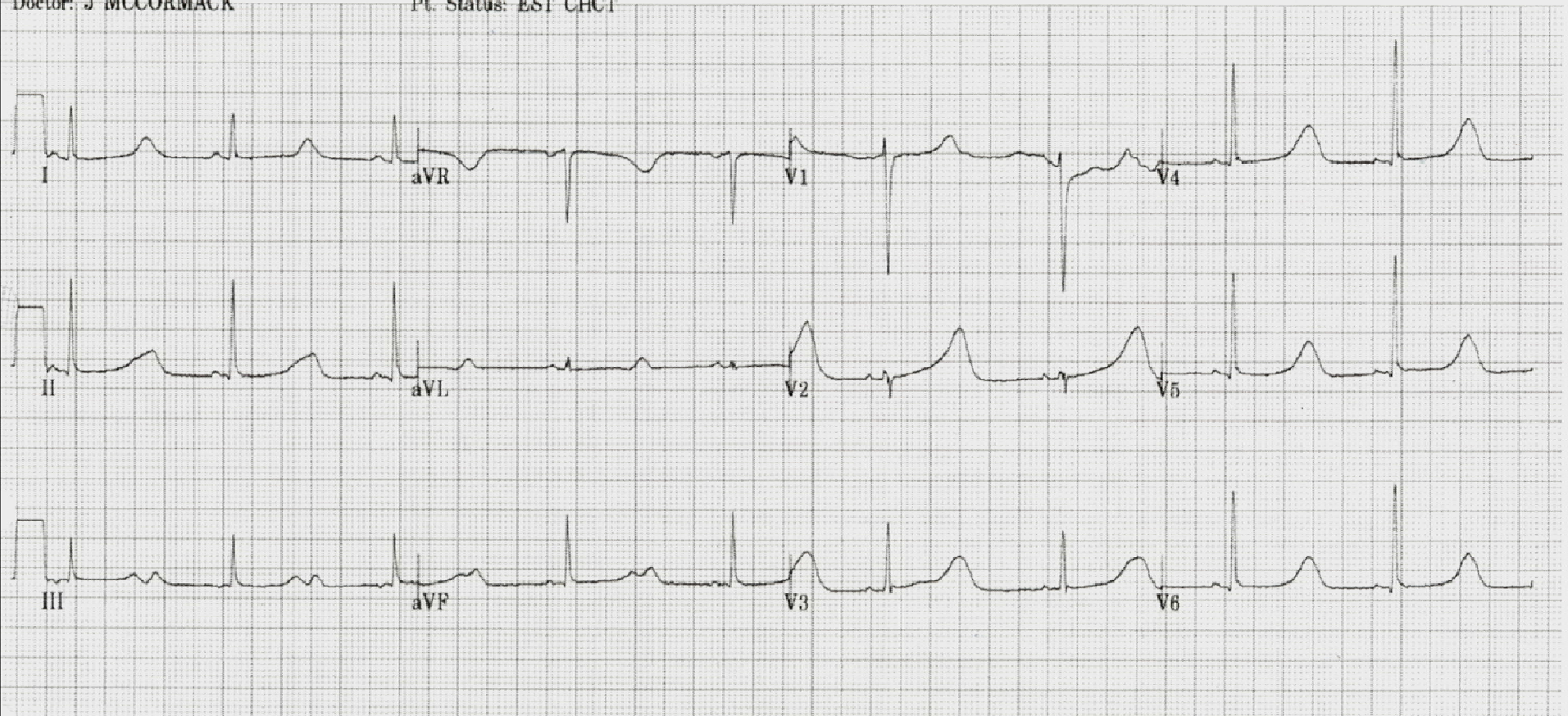
22 y/o FEMALE

Vent. rate 53 bpm
PR interval 110 ms
QRS duration 84 ms
QT/QTc 678/636 ms
P-R-T axes 25 60 48

PEDIATRIC CARDIOLOGY ASSOCIATES

Doctor: J MCCORMACK

Pt. Status: EST CHCT



WHEN THE “QUICK PEEK” METHOD for QT INTERVAL EVALUATION IS APPLIED TO THE ABOVE ECG, WHAT IS THE RESULT?

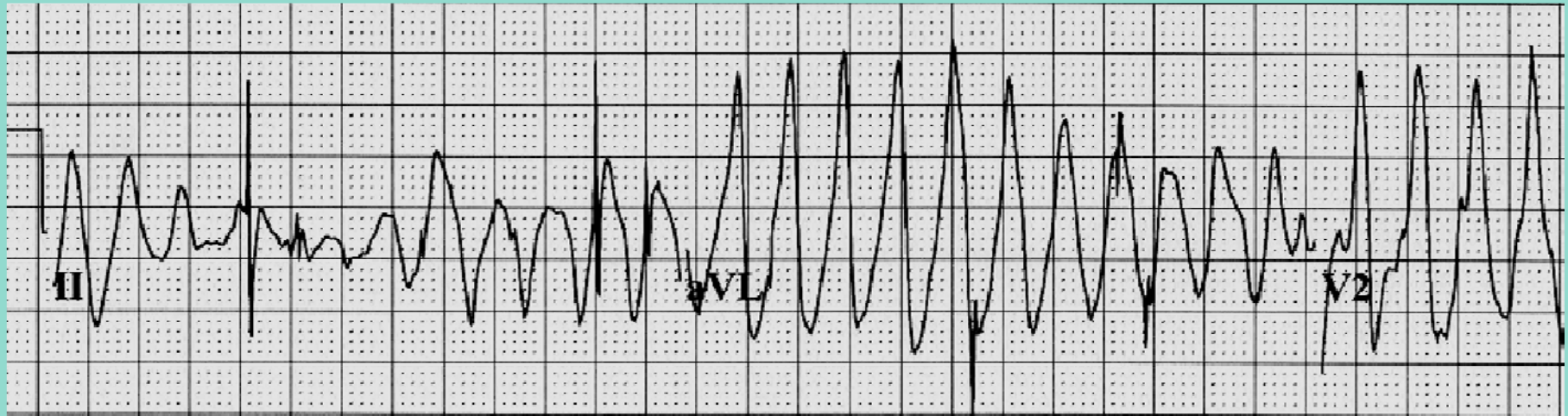
CASE PROGRESSION - 22 YEAR OLD FEMALE:

DIAGNOSED WITH “EPILEPSY.” All anticonvulsant medications were INEFFECTIVE at Controlling grand-mal seizure activity.

During visit with Electrophysiologist, patient exhibited Torsades de Pointes during EST, collapsed. DURING TDP EPISODE patient experienced “grand mal Seizure.”

ICD Implanted. ECG finding also discovered in patient’s infant son. Received ICD at age 5.

Brugada / Long QT Syndromes cause:



Torsades de Pointes:

- **Decreased – to – NO Cardiac Output**
- **Often patient PULSELESS during episode**
- **Causes SYNCOPE**
- **Often DETERIORATES into VENTRICULAR FIBRILLATION and CARDIAC ARREST.**

Etiology of Long QT Syndromes:

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Acquired

Drug Induced

Metabolic/electrolyte induced

Very low energy diets / anorexia

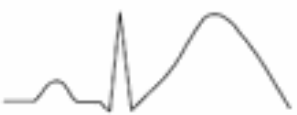
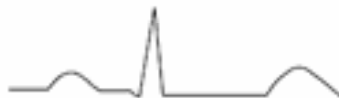
CNS & Autonomic nervous system disorders

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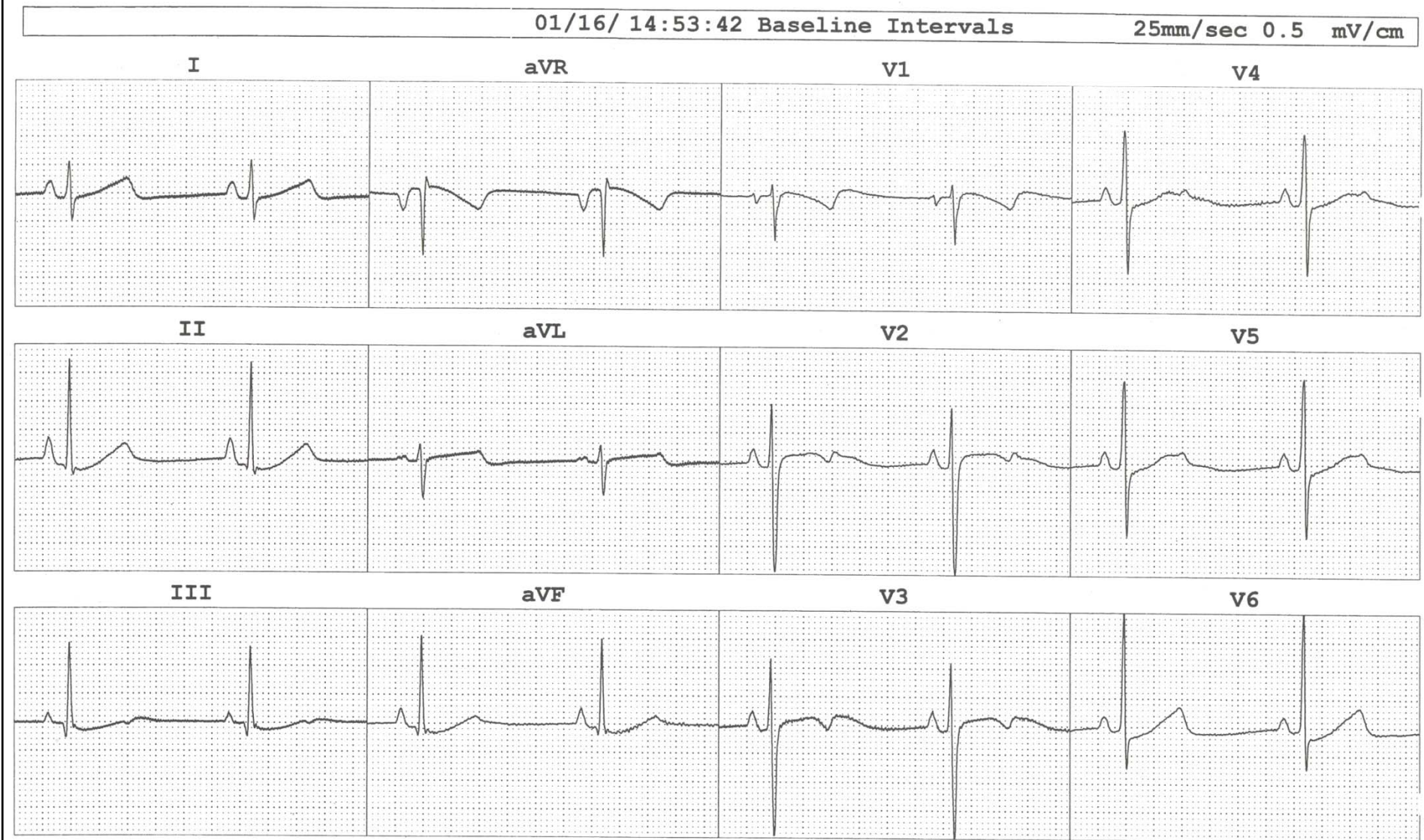
Coronary Artery Disease

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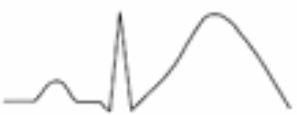
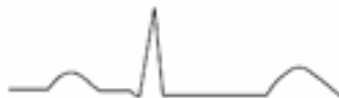
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LQTS3	Na	↑	5%-10%		Exercise (4%) Emotional Stress (12%) Sleep, Repose (64%) Others (20%)	90%

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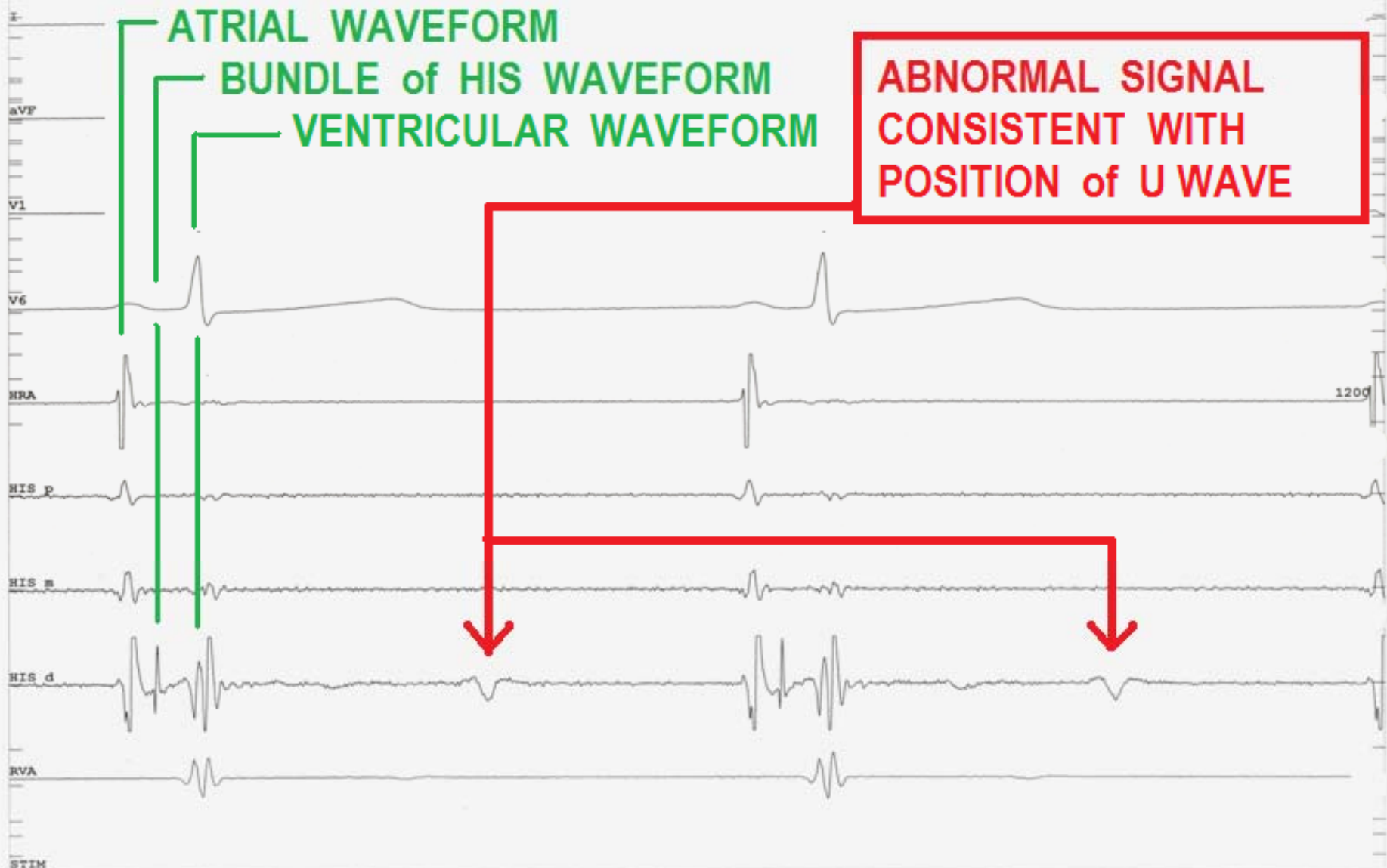
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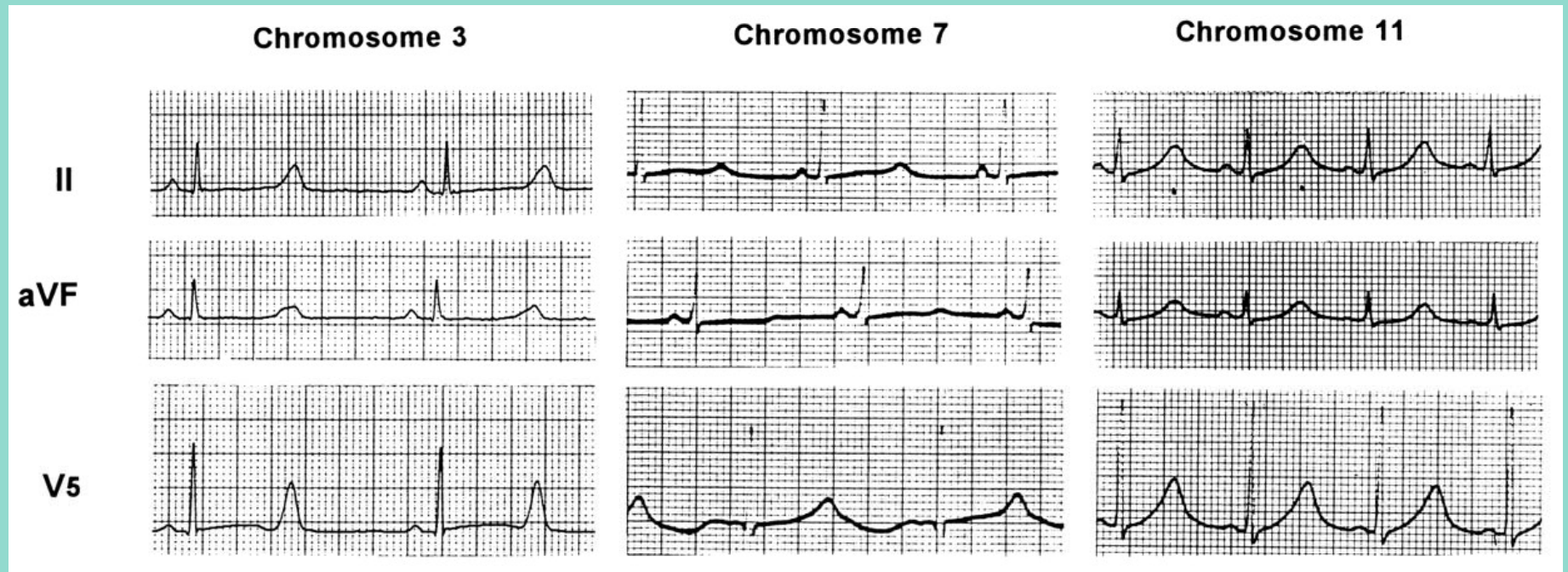
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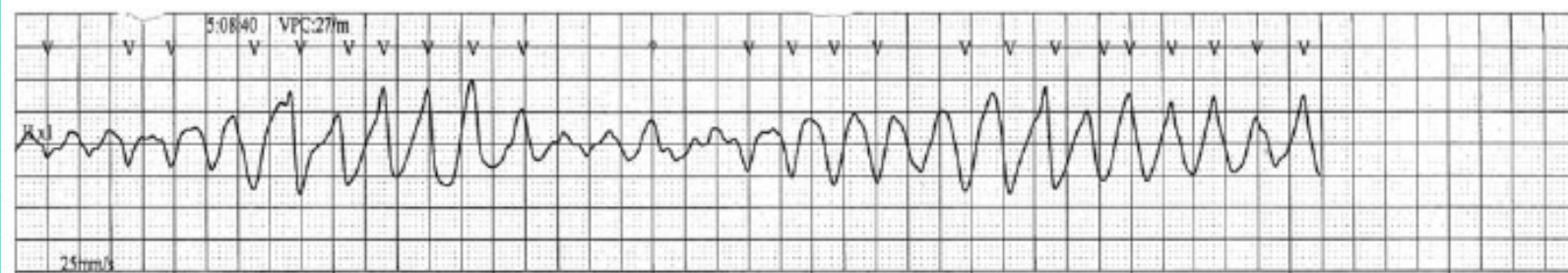
94mm/sec 0.400 mV



ECG recordings from leads II, aVF, and V5 in three patients from families with long QT syndrome linked to genetic markers on chromosomes 3, 7, and 11.



Moss A et al. Circulation 1995;92:2929-2934



Rhythm strip of II showing QTc of 720 msec at admission

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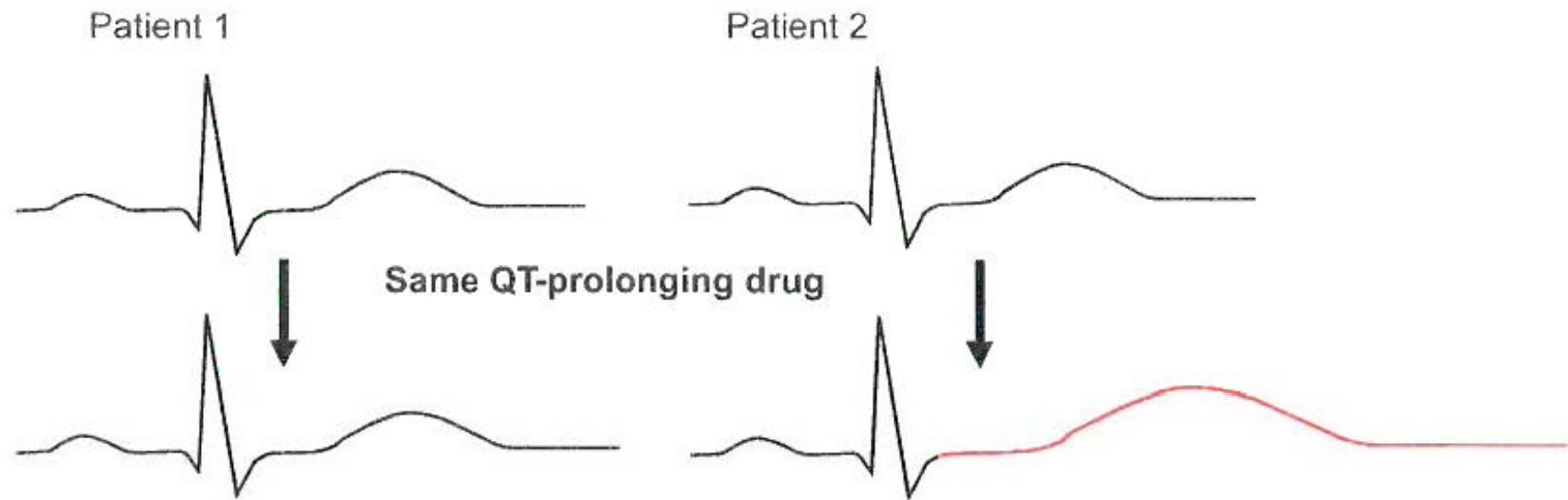
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| -Amiodarone | -Ritalin |
| -Procainamide | -Benadryl |
| -Levaquin | -Haloperidol |
| -Erythromycin | -Thorazine |
| -Norpace | -Propulcid |
| -Tequin | AND MANY MORE |

www.torsades.org , & www.azcert.org

PATIENT 1: NORMAL

PATIENT 2: GENETIC REPOLARIZATION ABNORMALITIES and/or
HYPOKALEMIA is PRESENT.

KANNANKERIL ET AL.



56years
Male Caucasian
Room: Loc: 3 Opt: 23
Vent. rate 64 bpm
PR interval 152 ms
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QT/QTc 662/682 ms
P-R-T axes 51 64 212

Technician:

"Syncope of Unknown Etiology"



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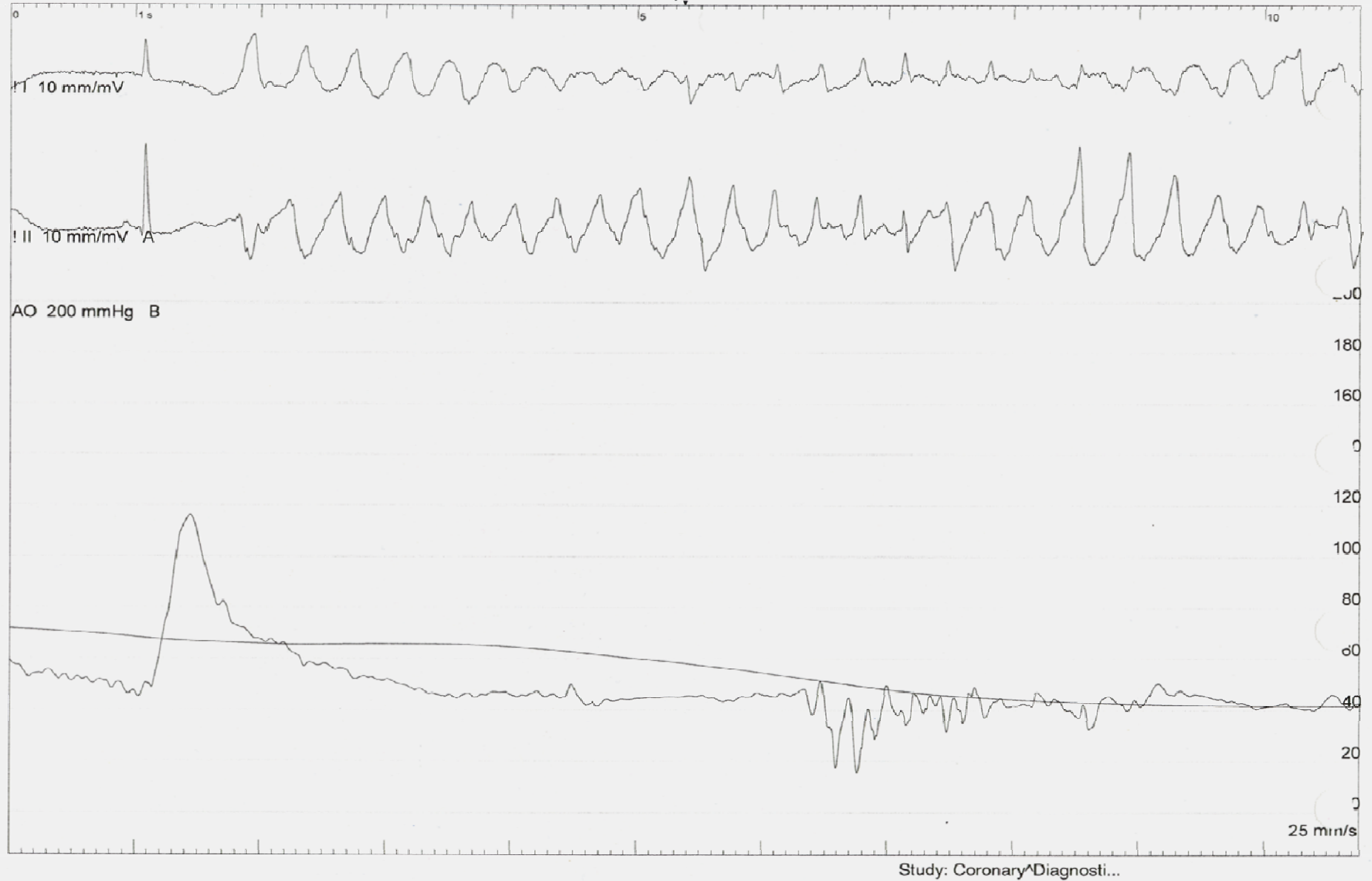
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See: www.torsades.org / JAMA

SIEMENS

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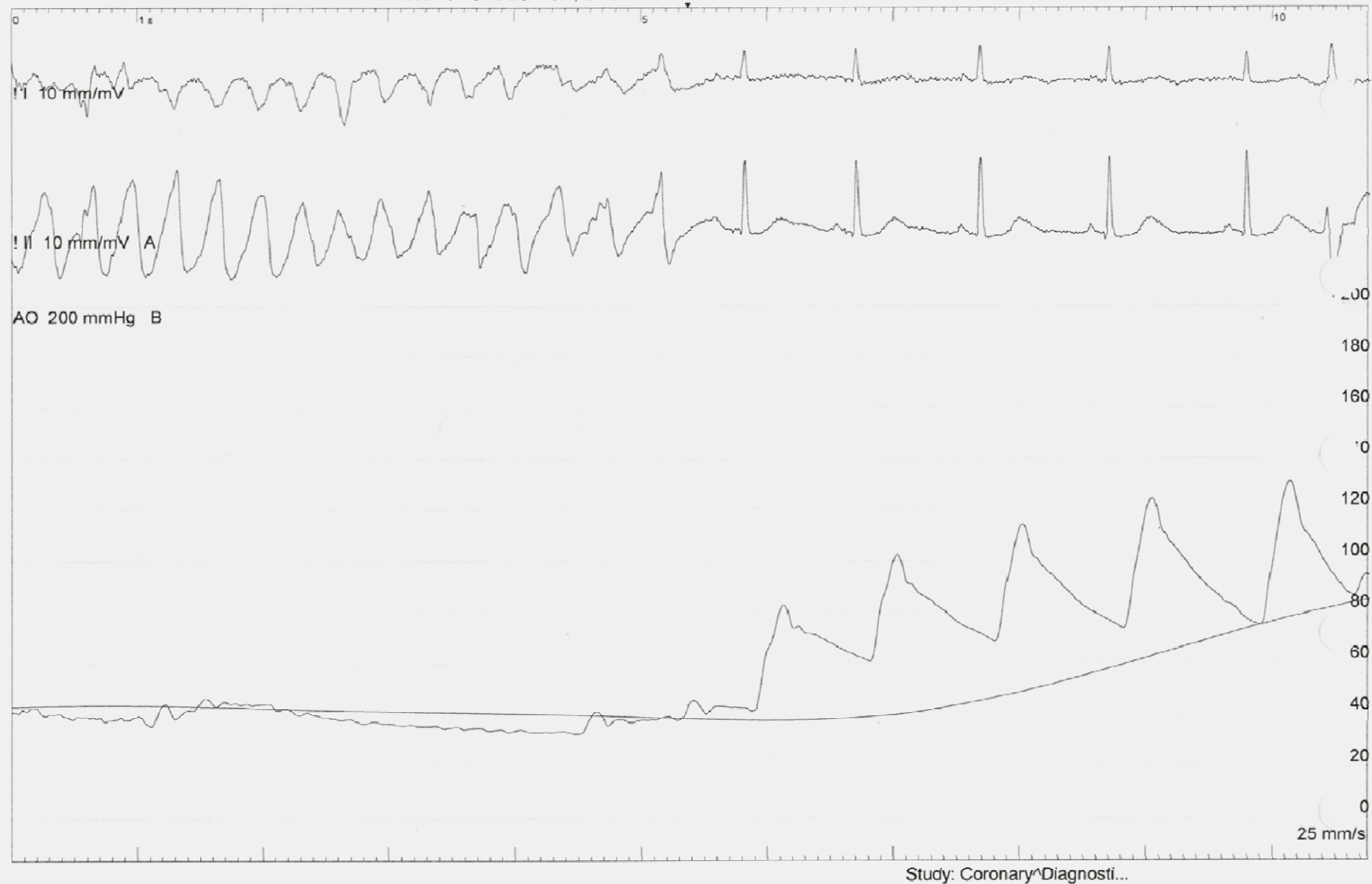
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1. Rest:TORSADES-NSR, SPONTANEOUS CONVERSION 10:25:03 AM+22 s

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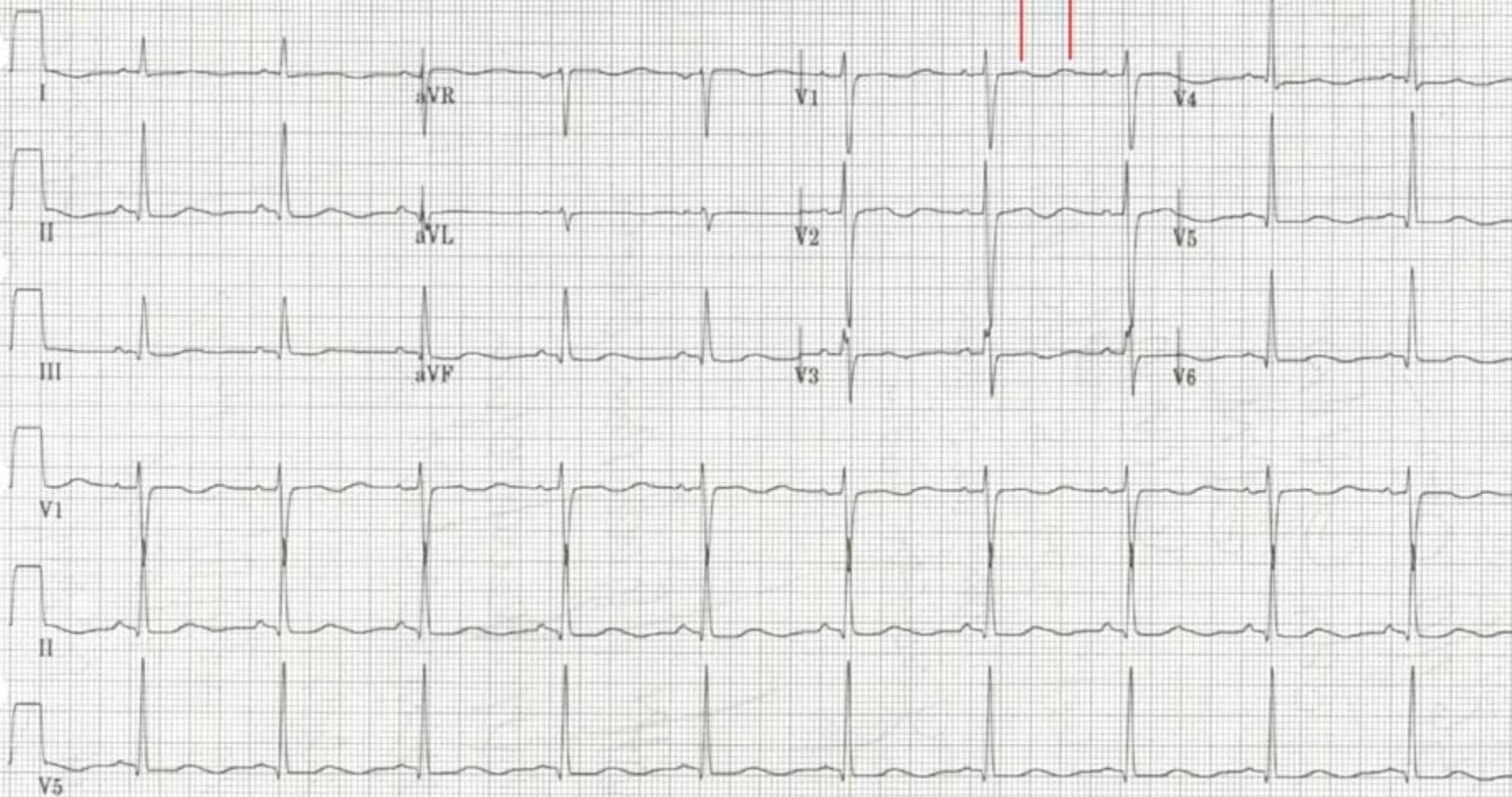


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No more incidents of syncope reported.*

T U



Q: What is the ideal medication to treat Torsades?

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**A: Magnesium Sulfate,
1 – 2 grams over 5 – 60
minutes (AHA ACLS)**

***ABSOLUTELY
NO DRUGS
THAT
PROLONG
THE
Q-T INTERVAL !!***

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- QTc 460ms or longer in females*
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- **T wave alterans**
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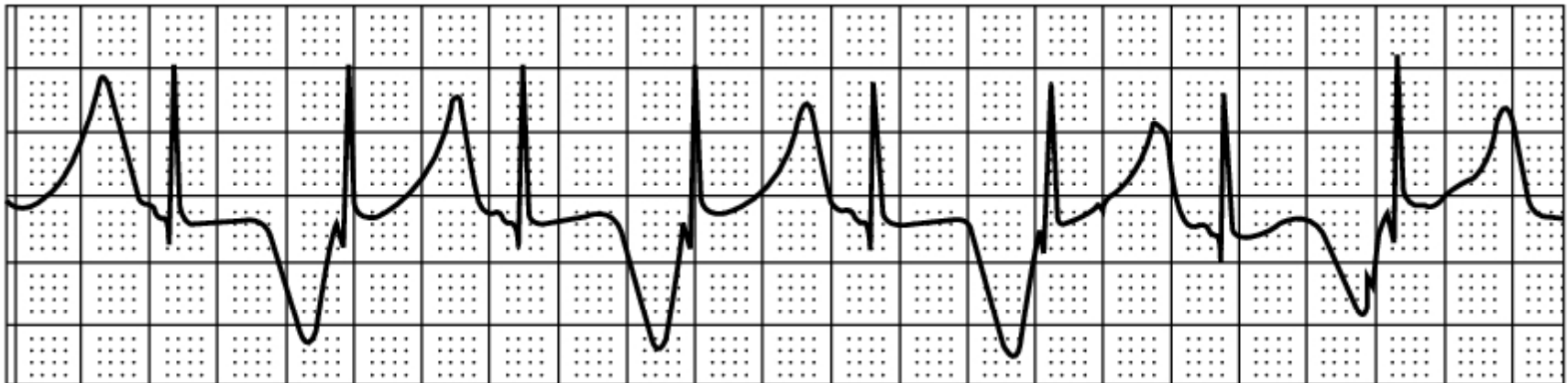
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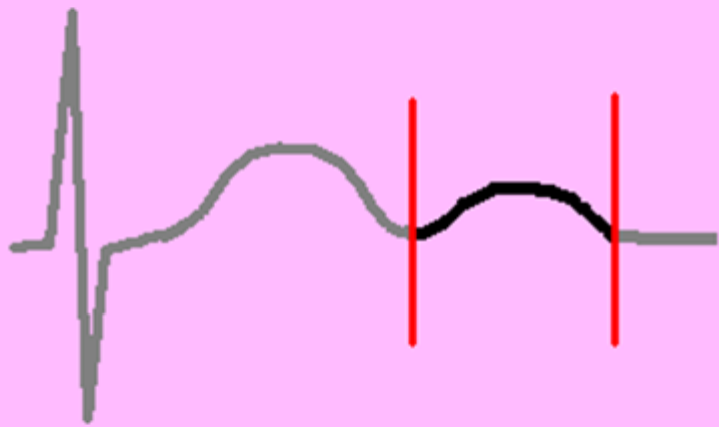
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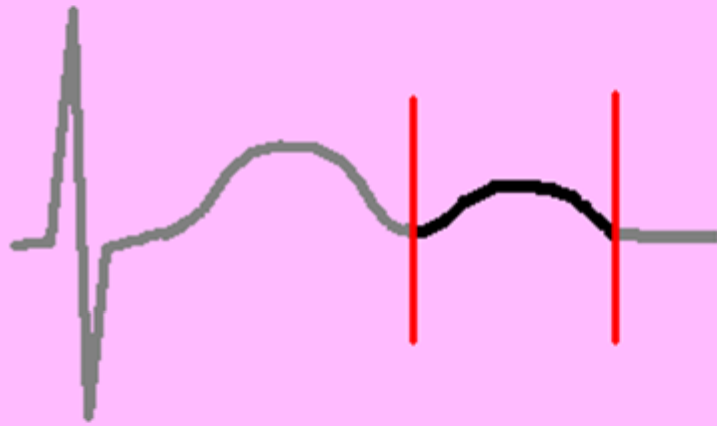


- **SEEN
INFREQUENTLY**

**U WAVES PANIC VALUES (CONSIDERED
INDICATOR OF LONG QT SYNDROME) WHEN:**

- **100% or more SIZE OF T WAVE**
- **MERGED WITH T WAVE**
- **MORE THAN 1mm IN HEIGHT**

THE U WAVE



- **SEEN
INFREQUENTLY**

- **MOST VISIBLE IN LEADS V2 & V3**
- **OFTEN NOT PRESENT IN LEADS II, III, AVF**

U WAVES

ROUTINE RETRIEVAL

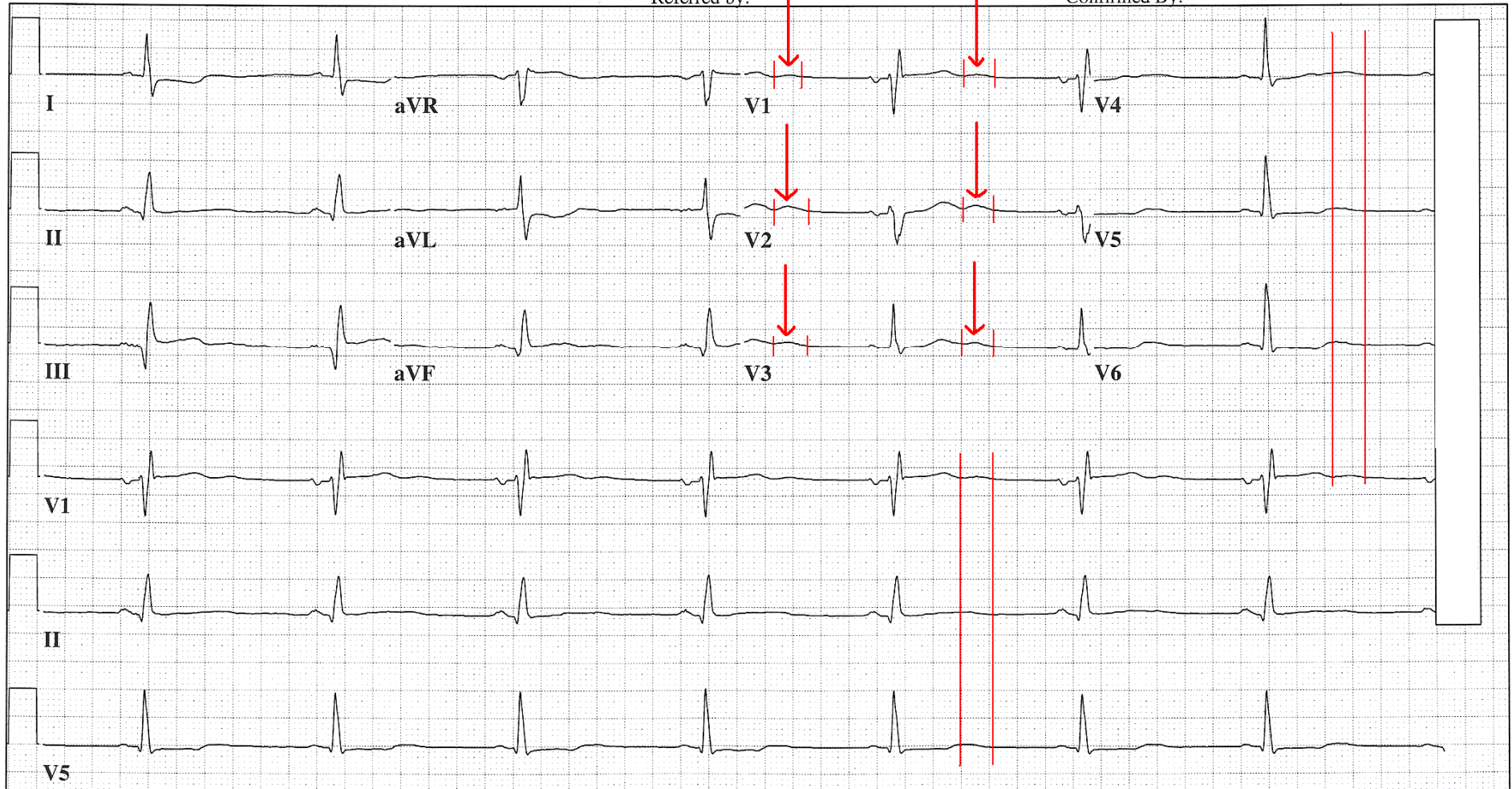
69 yr
Female Caucasian
Room:6
Loc:1 Option:1

Vent. rate 44 BPM
PR interval 144 ms
QRS duration 118 ms
QT/QTc 494/422 ms
P-R-T axes 63 63 123

Marked sinus bradycardia
Incomplete right bundle branch block
Possible Inferior infarct, age undetermined
ST & T wave abnormality, consider lateral ischemia
Abnormal ECG
When compared with ECG of 26-MAR-2006 20:32,
no significant change

Referred by:

Confirmed By:

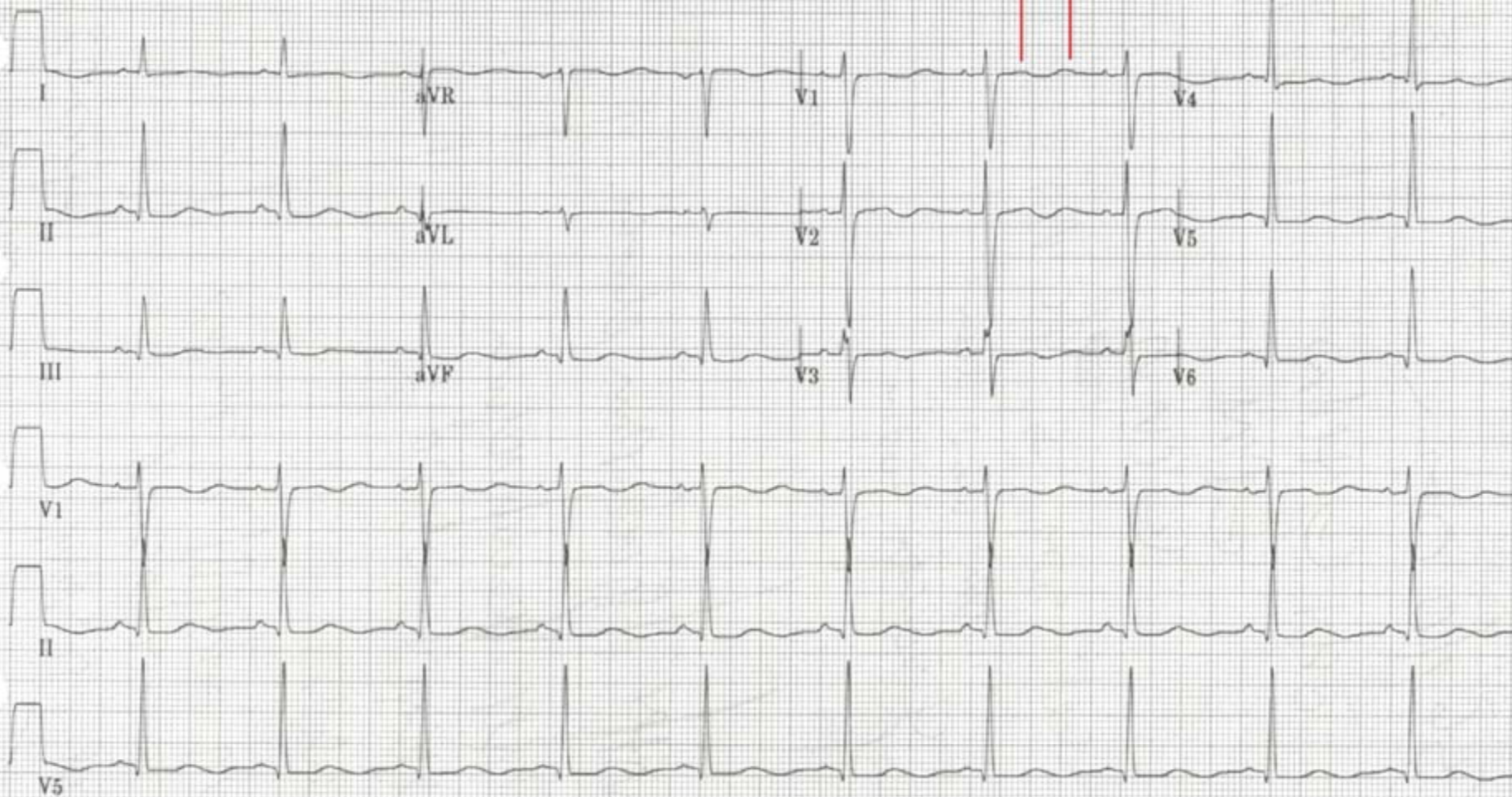


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LQTS + ECTOPY =  Risk of Torsades de Pointes!

Suspected LQTS Considerations include:

- ***Avoidance of Meds that are known to prolong the QT Interval.***
(refer to LIST OF MEDS KNOWN TO PROLONG THE QT INTERVAL).

TREATMENT OF TORSADES de POINTES per AHA ACLS:

- TRANSIENT: MAGNESIUM SULFATE 1 – 2 gm IV infusion over 5 – 60 minutes.
- PERSISTENT, PATIENT UNSTABLE:
DEFIBRILLATION (prior to 2010:
Synchronized Cardioversion)
- CARDIAC ARREST: FOLLOW Ventricular Fibrillation Algorithm.

LQTS / Brugada – Anesthesia:

- **Avoid Triggers of QT Prolongation and Torsades**
- **Maintain:**
 - **Normothermia**
 - **Normoxia**
 - **Euglycemia**
 - **Normocarbida**
- **Provide Peri-op:**
 - **Anxiolysis**
 - **Beta Blockade**
 - **Analgesia**

LQTS / Brugada – Anesthesia, con't:

- **Avoid Hemodynamic Extremes:**
 - **Bradycardia / Tachycardia**
 - **Hypo / Hypertension**
- **Correct Serum Electrolytes, especially:**
 - **Potassium (K⁺)**
 - **Magnesium (Mg⁺⁺)**
- **Prevent & Treat Dysrhythmias:**
 - **Monitor ECG in 2+ leads (II, V1, V5)**
 - **Have Defibrillator / Pacer available**
 - **Consult Cardiology as needed**

Anesthesia Related Drugs:

- **Midazolam has not been shown to prolong QT interval**
- **Propofol produces an insignificant QT prolongation compared to Thiopental**
 - **Another study – shortens QT interval**
 - **Preferred agent for maintenance (TIVA)**
- **Vecuronium and Cisatracurium show no QT interval prolongation**
- **Succinylcholine consistently prolonged QT interval**

Anesthesia Related Drugs, Con't:

- **Reversals:**
 - neostigmine-atropine,
 - edrophonium-atropine,
 - neostigmine-glycopyrrolate

... All Prolong the QT interval
- Droperidol 0.75mg IV and Zofran 4mg IV produced similar QT prolongation
- Droperidol 0.625mg did not produce a significant prolongation of the QT interval, compared to saline placebo (separate study)

Volatile Agents

- **Sevoflurane, Isoflurane and Desflurane at 1 MAC all prolong the QT interval**
- **Halothane significantly shortens QT interval**
 - **But Halothane also sensitizes cardiac myocytes to catecholamines**
 - **Should be avoided in susceptible patients**

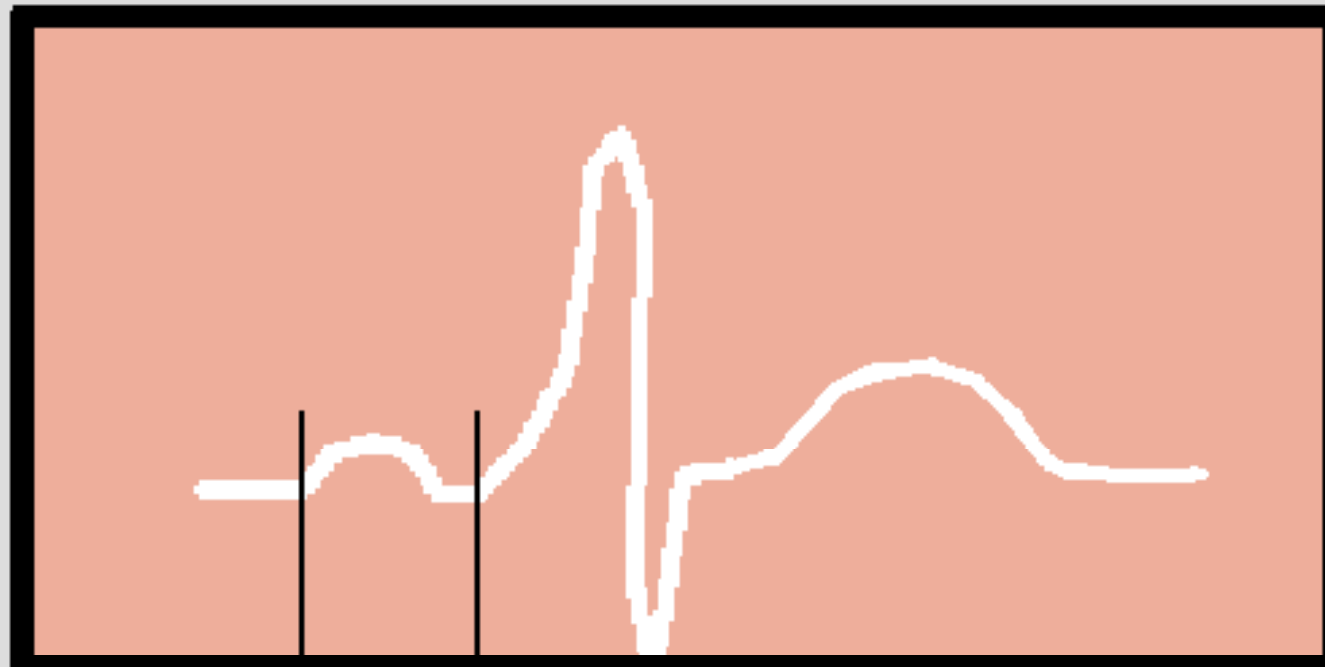
 *Agents have all been administered safely with peri-operative beta blockade, in patients with known LQTS.*

Regional Anesthesia

👉 Study in ASA I and II male patients undergoing elective surgery under spinal anesthesia showed significant QT prolongation after onset of blockade

WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE

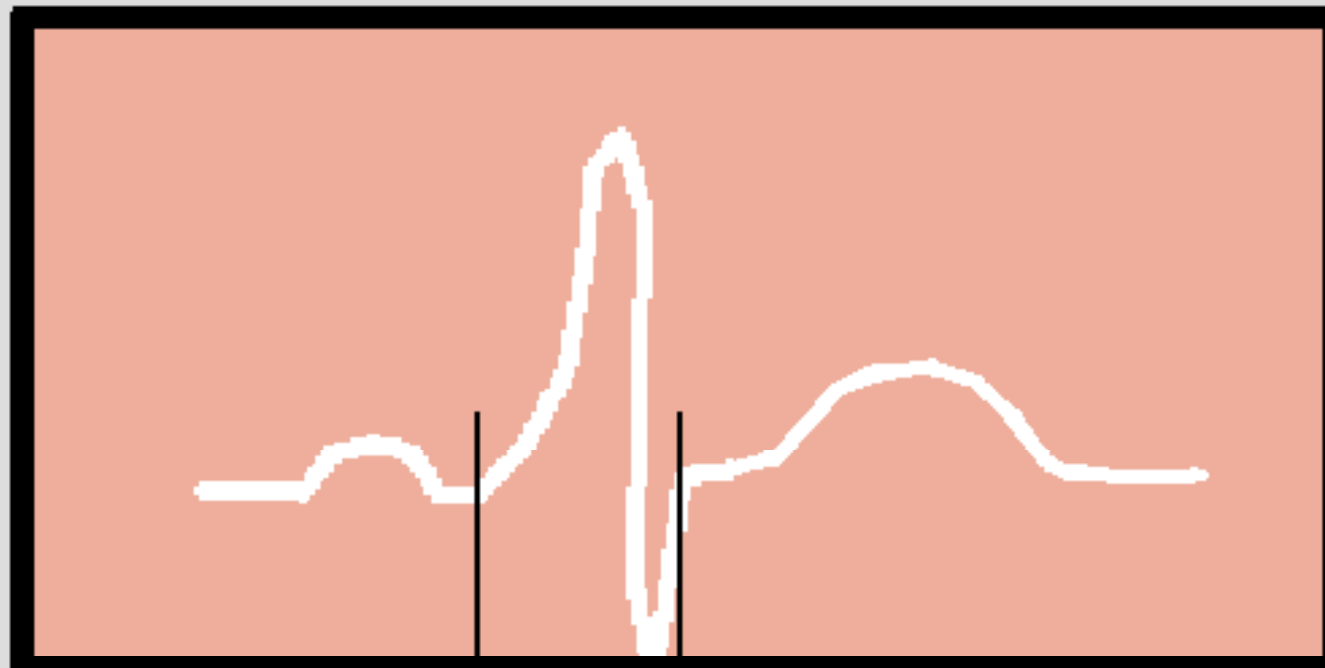
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SHORTENED
P-R INTERVAL

WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE

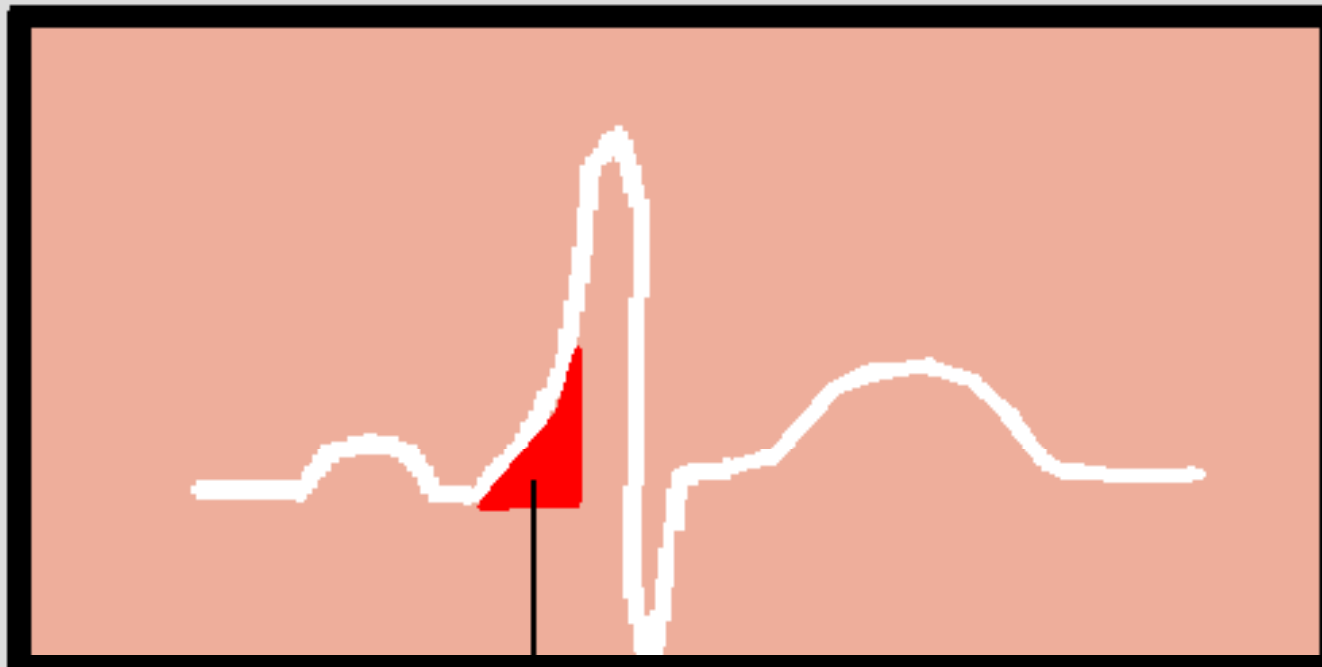
EKG CHARACTERISTICS



WIDENED
QRS COMPLEX

WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE

EKG CHARACTERISTICS



DELTA
WAVE

16 yr
Female Caucasian
Room: REC
Loc: 20 Option: 50

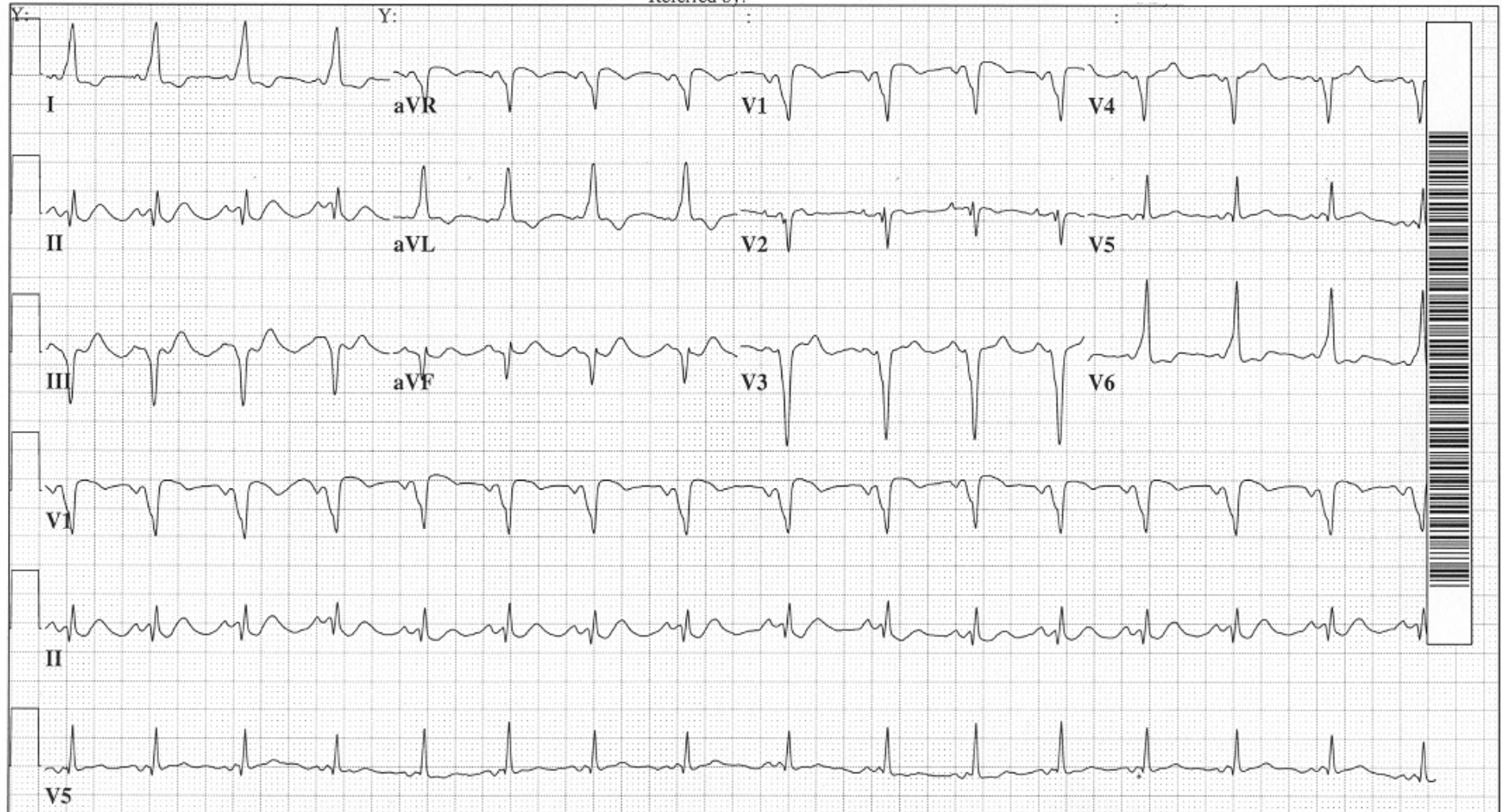
Vent. rate 92 BPM
PR interval 112 ms
QRS duration 118 ms
QT/QTc 356/440 ms
P-R-T axes 59 -22 107

Normal sinus rhythm with sinus arrhythmia
~~Left atrial enlargement~~
~~Anterior infarct, age undetermined~~
~~Inferior infarct, age undetermined~~
~~ST & T wave abnormality, consider lateral ischemia~~
Wolff-Parkinson-White
Abnormal ECG
No previous ECGs available

History: Unknown
Technician: DP
Test ind: EKG
EKG CLASS #WR030100
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WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE
TYPE B

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01-MAY-1999 04:14:17

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-IN1464 ROUTINE RETRIEVAL

51 yr
Male Caucasian
Room:540
Loc:5 Option:28

Vent. rate 64 BPM
PR interval 110 ms
QRS duration 146 ms
QT/QTc 418/431 ms
P-R-T axes 50 -36 119

Normal sinus rhythm
Wolff-Parkinson-White
Abnormal ECG
No previous ECGs available

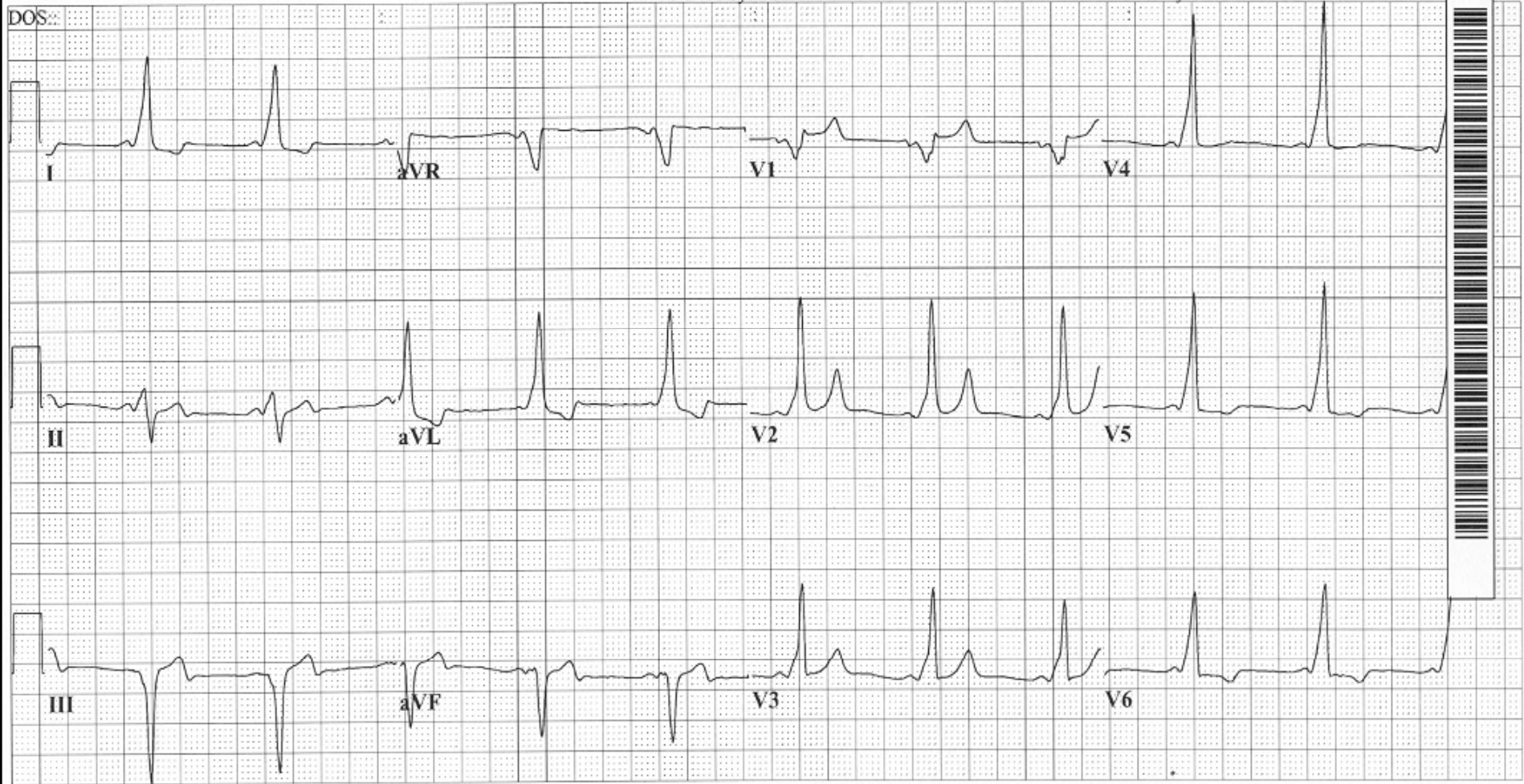
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**WOLFF-PARKINSON-WHITE
TYPE A**

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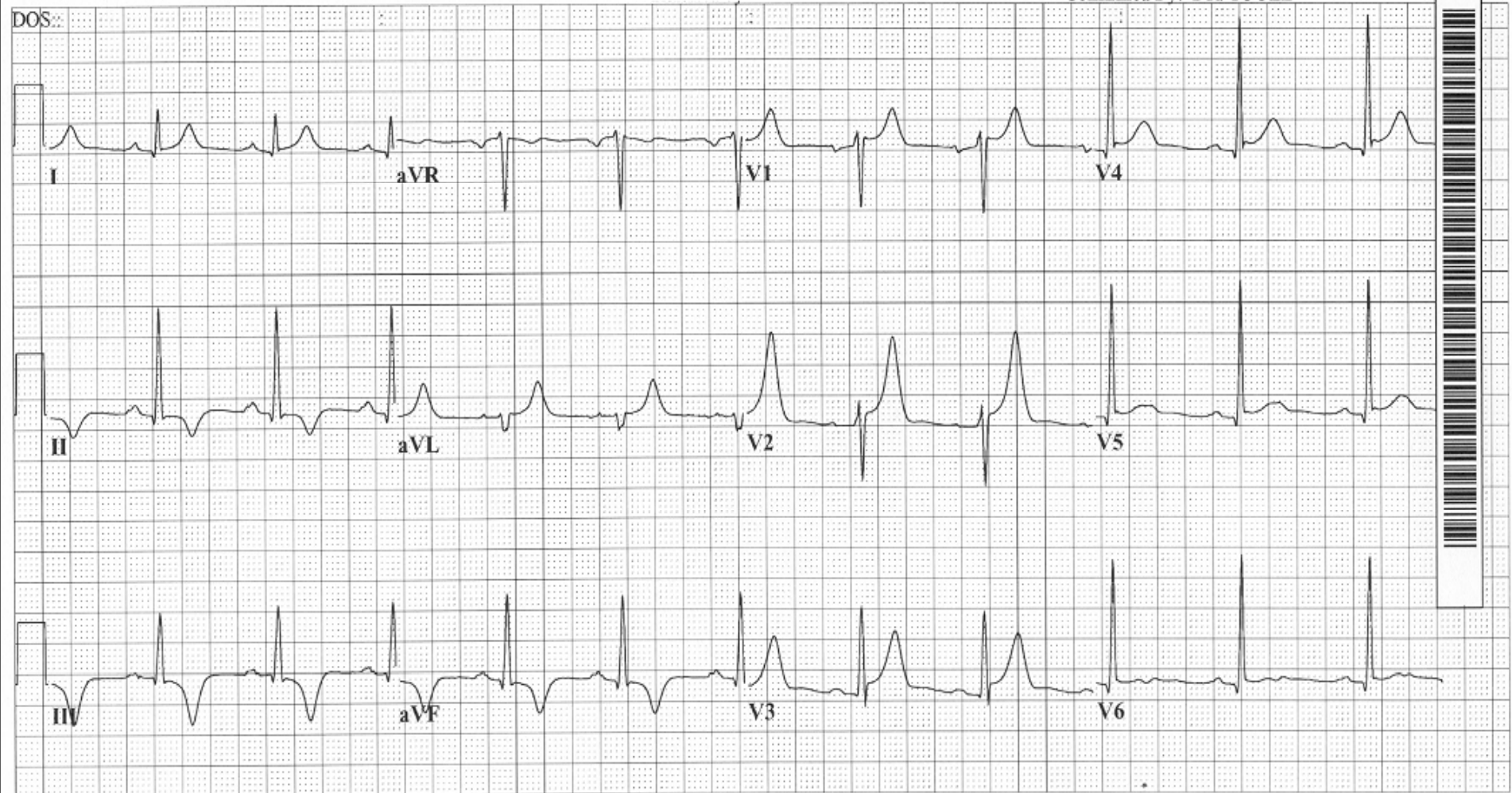


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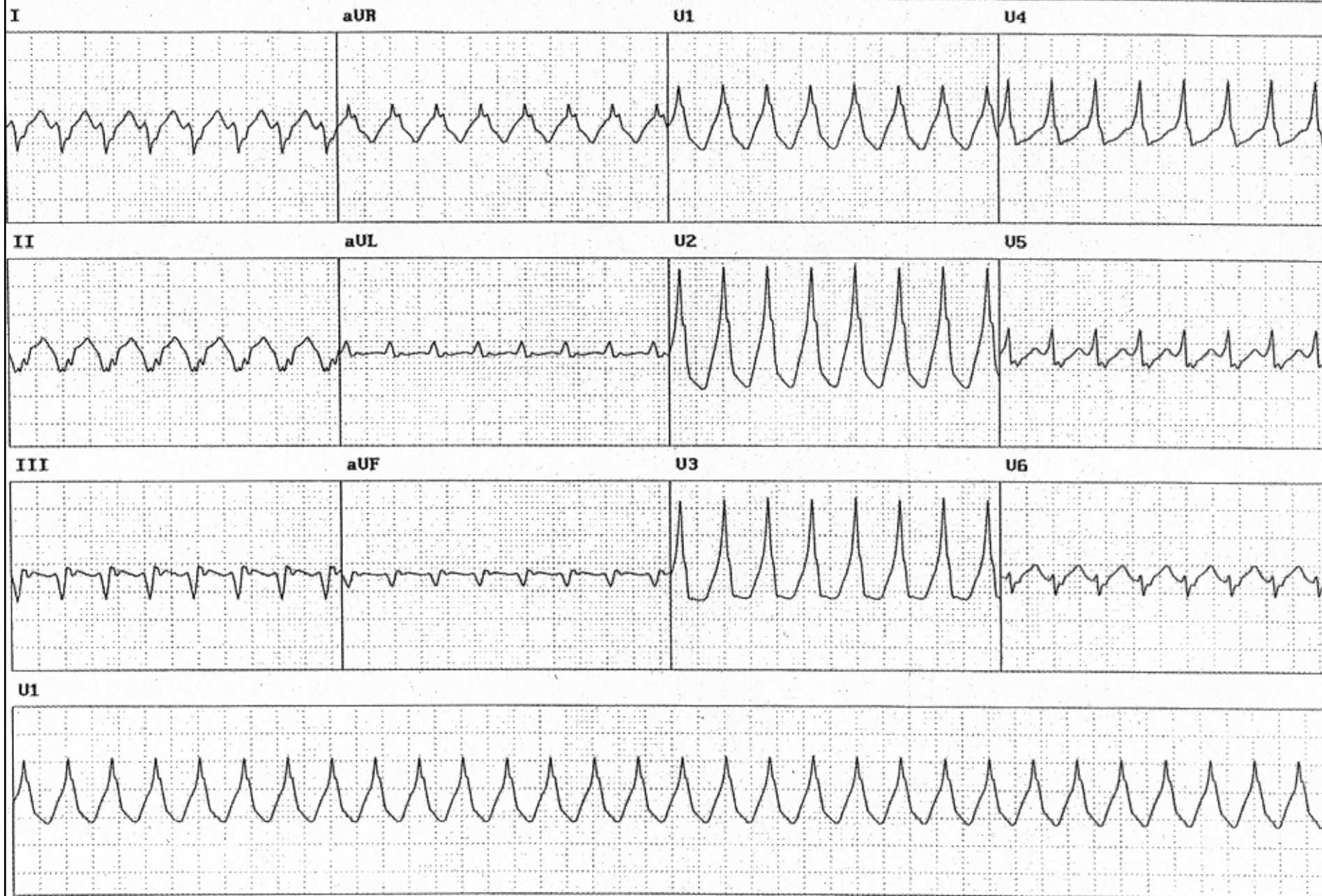
51 yr
Male CaucasianVent. rate 69 BPM
PR interval 184 ms
QRS duration 88 ms
QT/QTc 392/420 ms
P-R-T axes 60 69 -50Normal sinus rhythm
Marked T wave abnormality, consider inferior ischemia
Abnormal ECG
When compared with ECG of 01-MAY-1999 21:36
Wolff-Parkinson-White is no longer Present**EKG CLASS #WR03696205****POST-ABLATION**

25mm/s 10mm/mV 40Hz 005C 12SL 4 CID: 12

EID:17 EDT: 09:08 04-MAY-1999 ORDER:

05/04/99 14:16:00

25mm/sec 4.2mm/mU



ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL

W-P-W DOUBLE BY-PASS TRACT

Wolff-Parkinson-White + A-fib = DISASTER

37 y/o male

**Chief Complaint: Lightheadedness,
Palpitations, Shortness of Breath**

**HPI: Sudden onset of above symptoms
approx. 1 hour ago**

PMH: HTN (non-compliant)

37 y/o male

PE: Alert, oriented, restless, cool, pale, dry skin. PERL, No JVD, Lungs clear. Abd soft non tender, Extremities: WNL, no edema

Meds: None, NKDA

VS: BP 106/50, P 180, R 26, SAO2 93%

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-

37 yr
Male Caucasian
Room:OP
Loc:8 Option:16

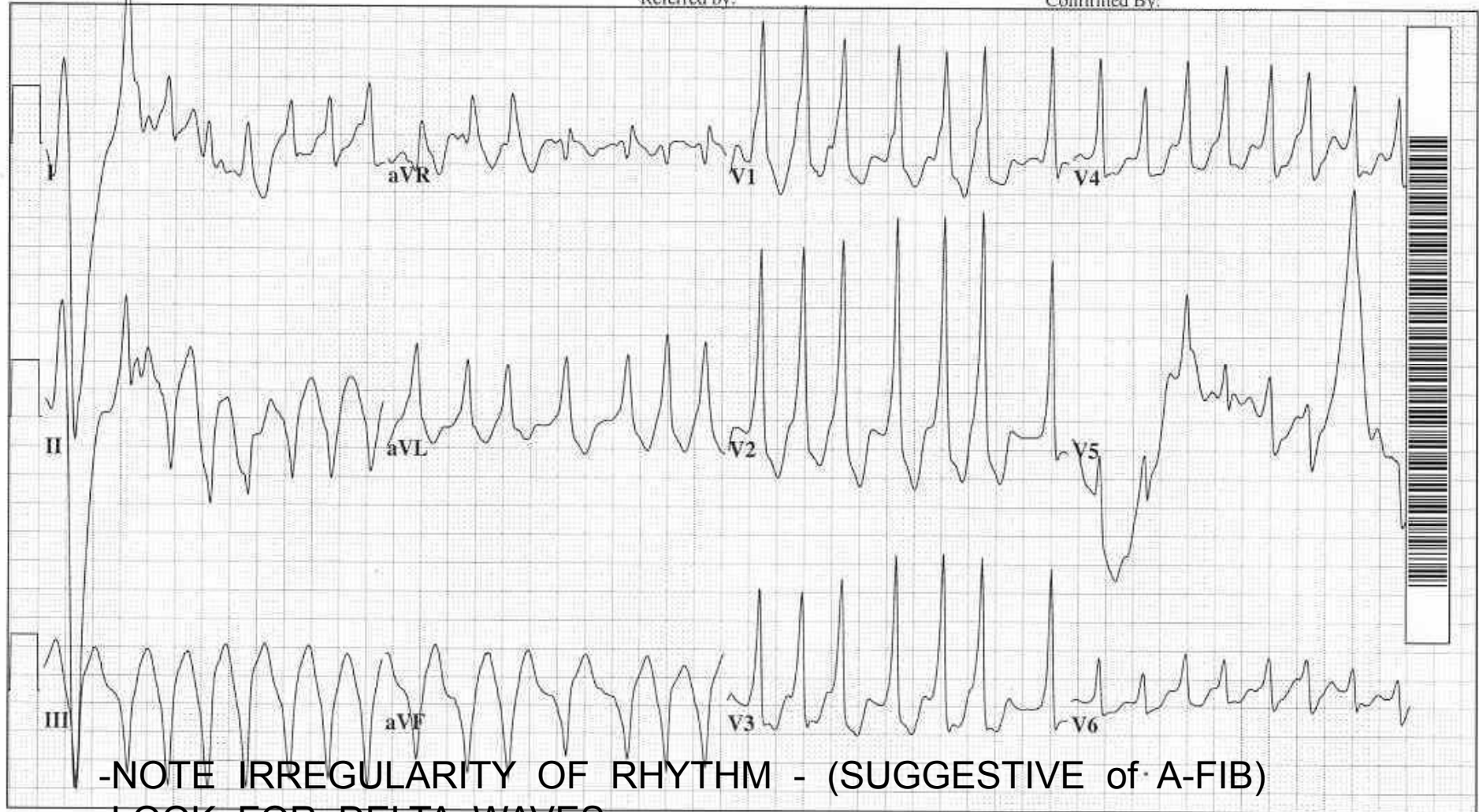
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QRS duration 148 ms
QT/QTc 284/491 ms
P-R-T axes * -77 103

WIDE QRS TACHYCARDIA - POSSIBLE VT
Right bundle branch block PATTERN
Abnormal ECG

Med: Unknown

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-NOTE IRREGULARITY OF RHYTHM - (SUGGESTIVE of A-FIB)
LOOK FOR DELTA WAVES

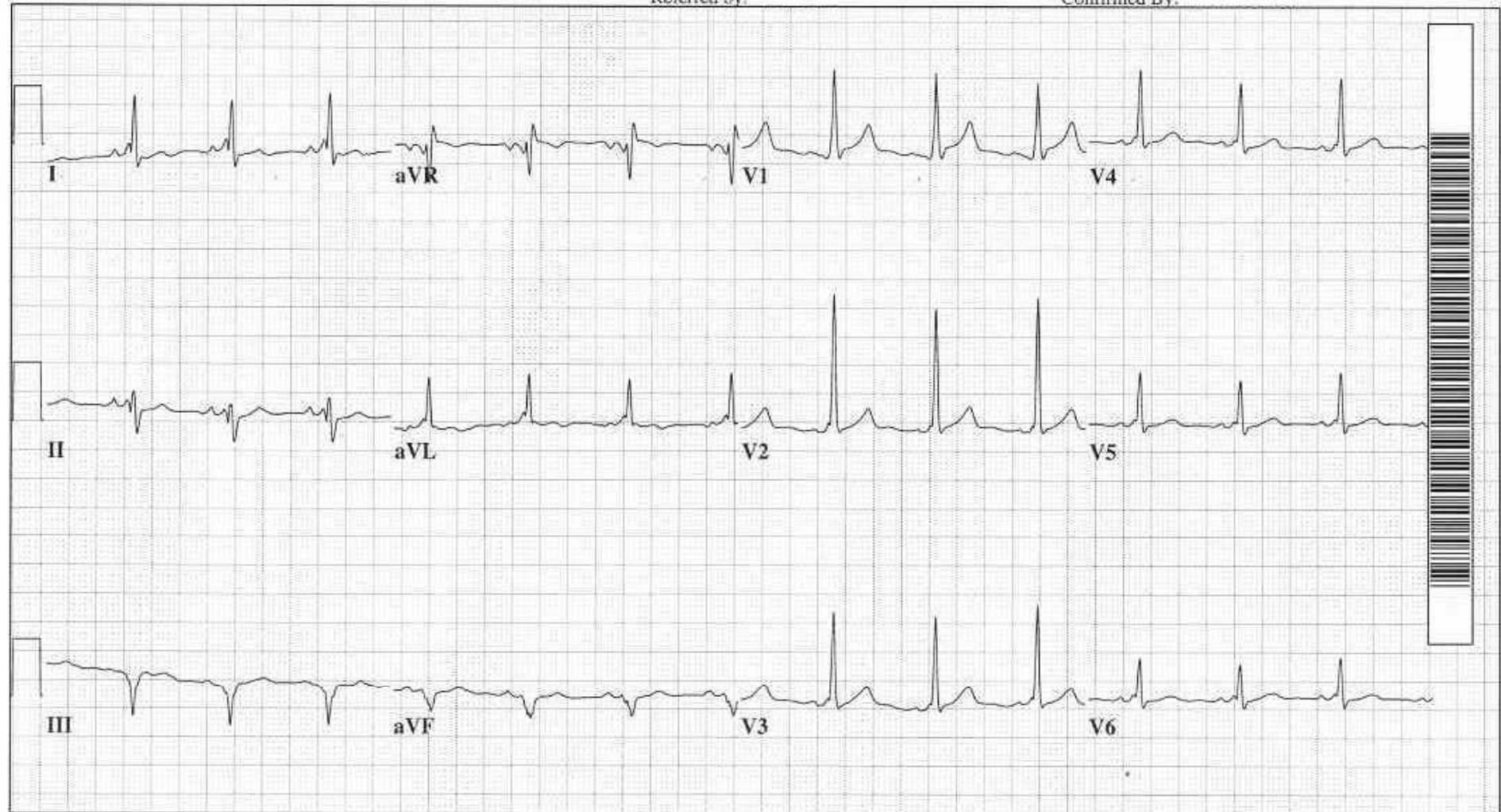
37 yr
Male Caucasian
Room:OP
Loc:8 Option:19

Vent. rate 82 BPM
PR interval 132 ms
QRS duration 128 ms
QT/QTc 392/458 ms
P-R-T axes 77 -44 154

Normal sinus rhythm
Ventricular pre-excitation, WPW pattern type A
Abnormal ECG

Referred by:

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Physician correctly identified
Atrial Fibrillation with Rapid
Ventricular Response.

However did NOT identify the Wolff-
Parkinson-White component.

Patient was given Diltiazem –
promptly converted to -
VENTRICULAR FIBRILLATION.

WIDE COMPLEX TACHYCARDIA

(QRS > 120 ms)

MONOPHASIC

ABC s

NO PULSE

GO TO
V - FIB
ALGORITHM !

PULSE - UNSTABLE

- IMMEDIATE SYNC. CARDIOVERSION:
 - 100 j biphasic
 - consider sedation
- INCREASE joules
- MEDS:
 - PROCAINAMIDE
 - AMIODARONE

PULSE - STABLE

- O2, IV-IO, EKG
- MEDS:
 - ADENOSINE 6-12 (only if REGULAR)
 - PROCAINAMIDE (20-50mg/min)
 - AMIODARONE (150 over 10min + 1mg/ min INFUSION)

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-

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Room: OP
Loc: 8 Option: 16

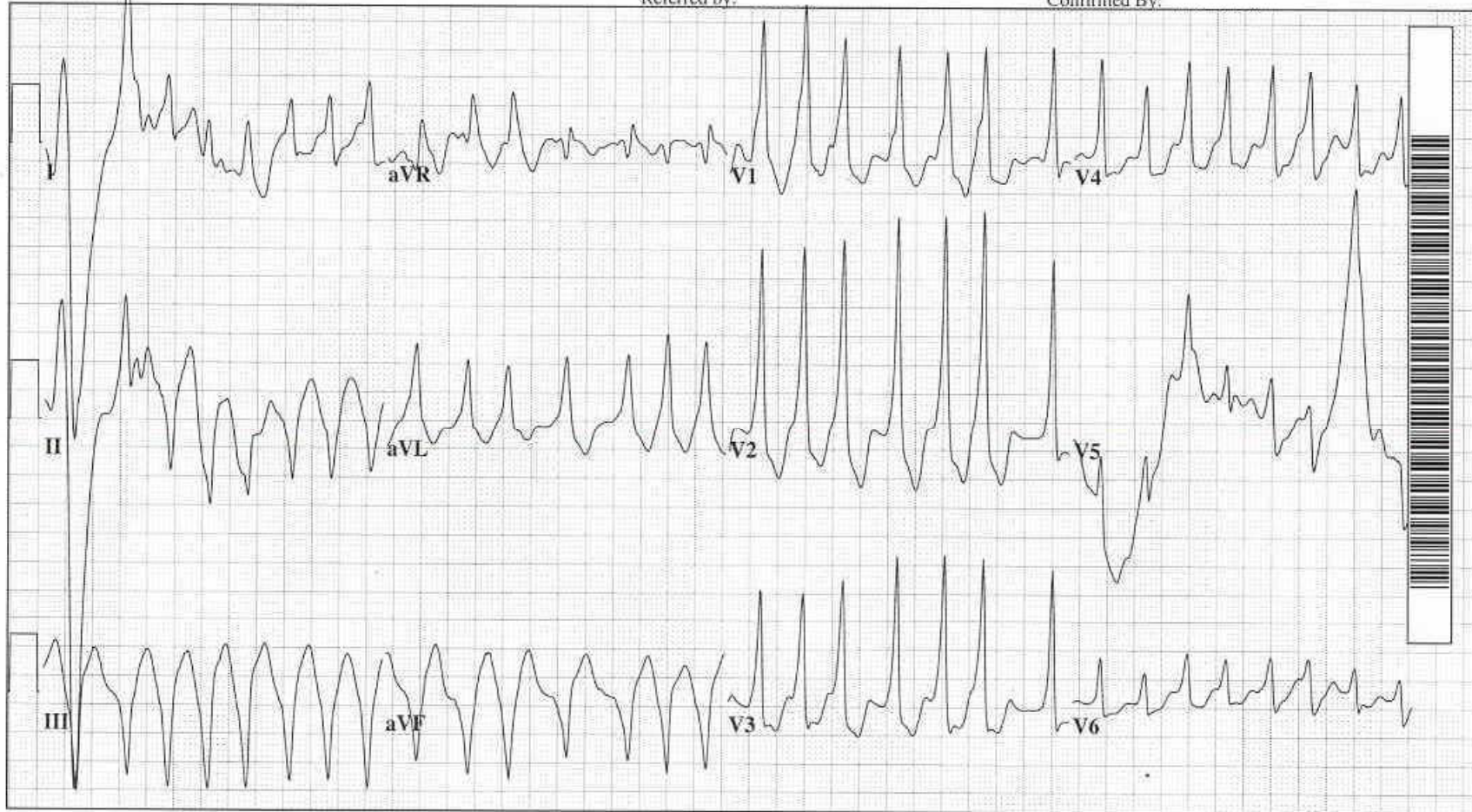
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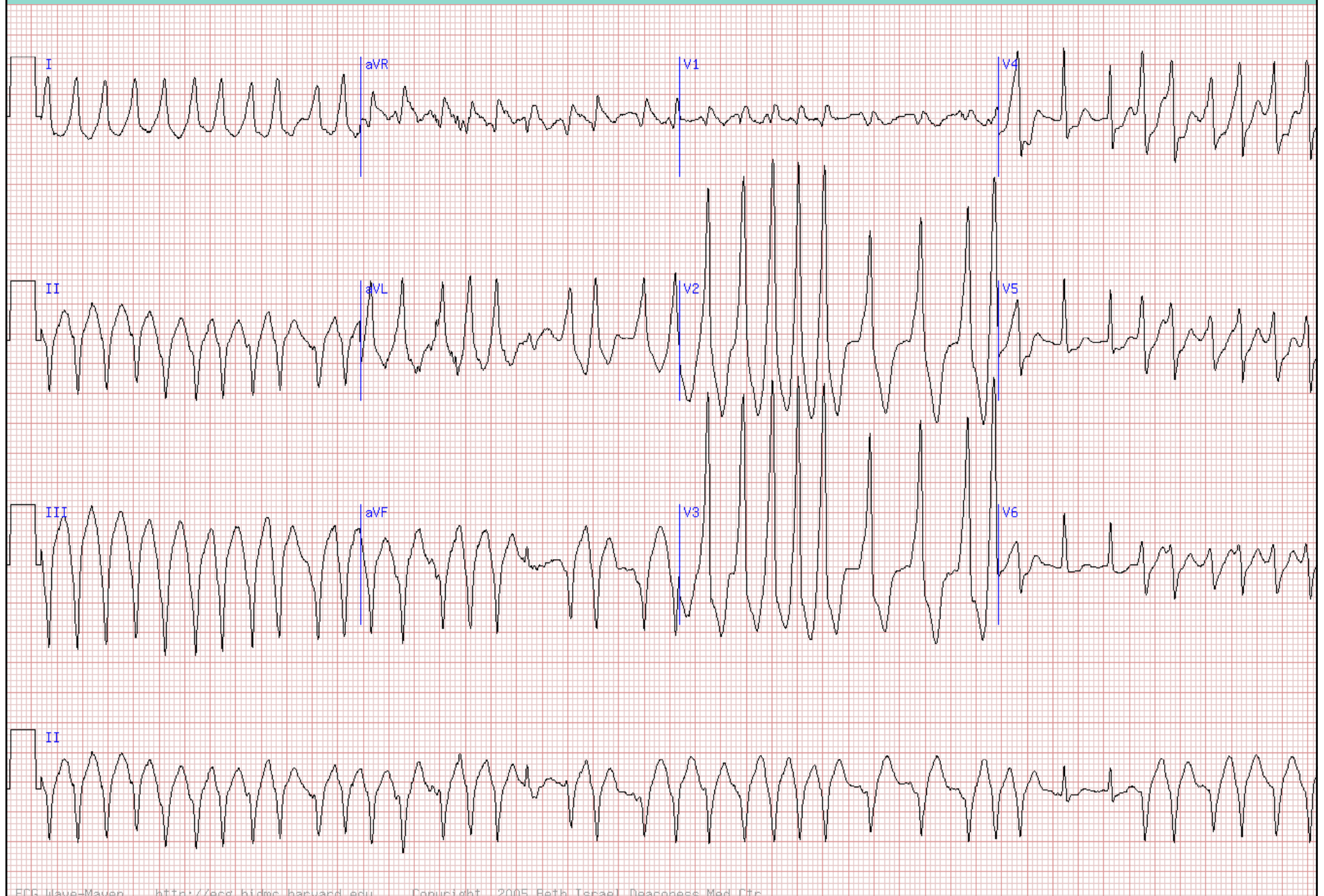
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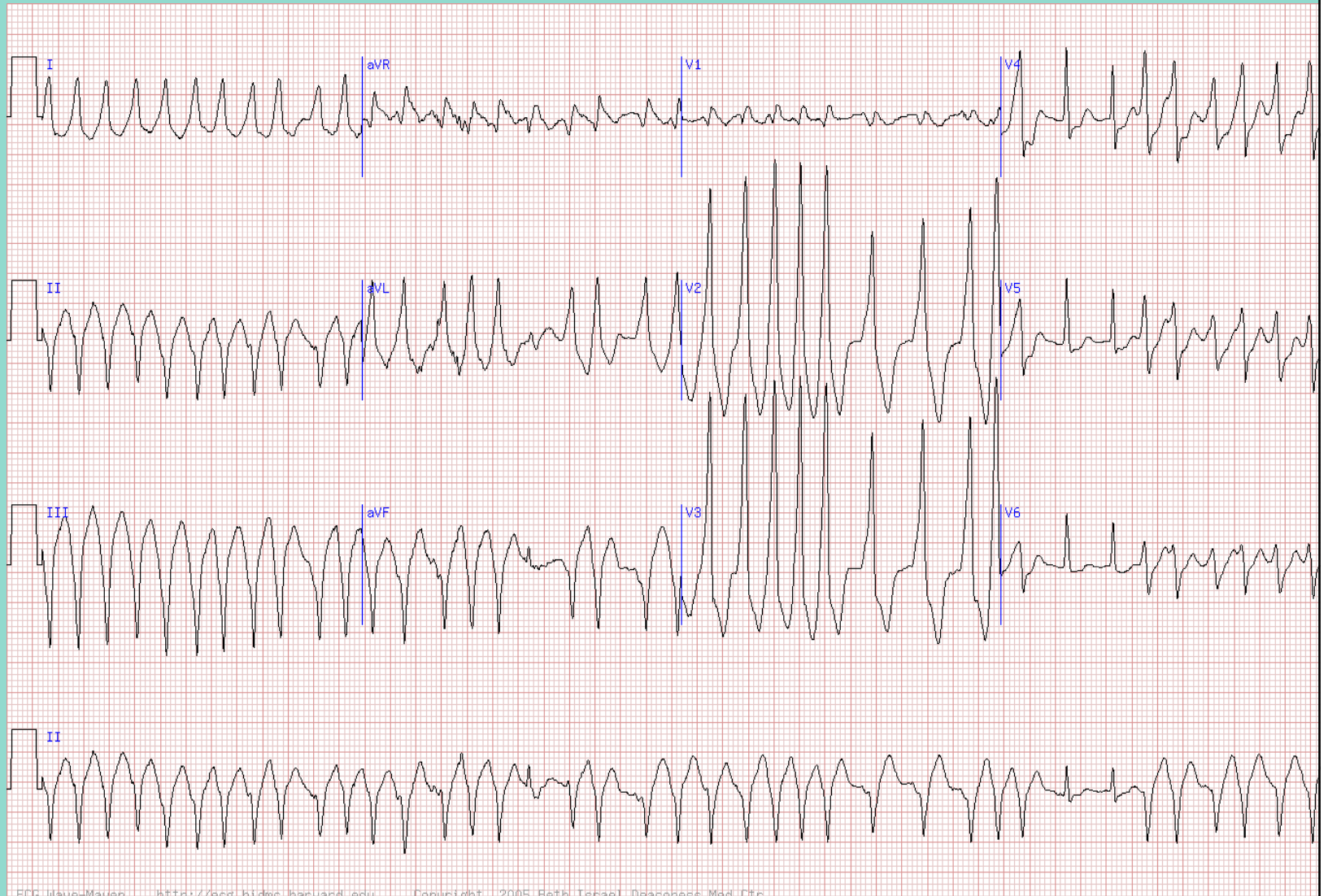
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- LOOK FOR DELTA WAVES

17 year old male: W-P-W with Afib & RVR



CHARACTERISTICS of W-P-W with Afib & RVR:

- WIDE COMPLEX TACHYCARDIA
- IRREGULARLY IRREGULAR R – R INTERVALS !!



***NO AV NODAL BLOCKERS
(e.g. ADENOSINE, CALCIUM
CHANNEL BLOCKERS)
FOR WIDE COMPLEX
TACHYCARDIAS THAT COULD
BE ATRIAL FIBRILLATION with
Pre-Excitation (W-P-W)***

Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Dysplasia

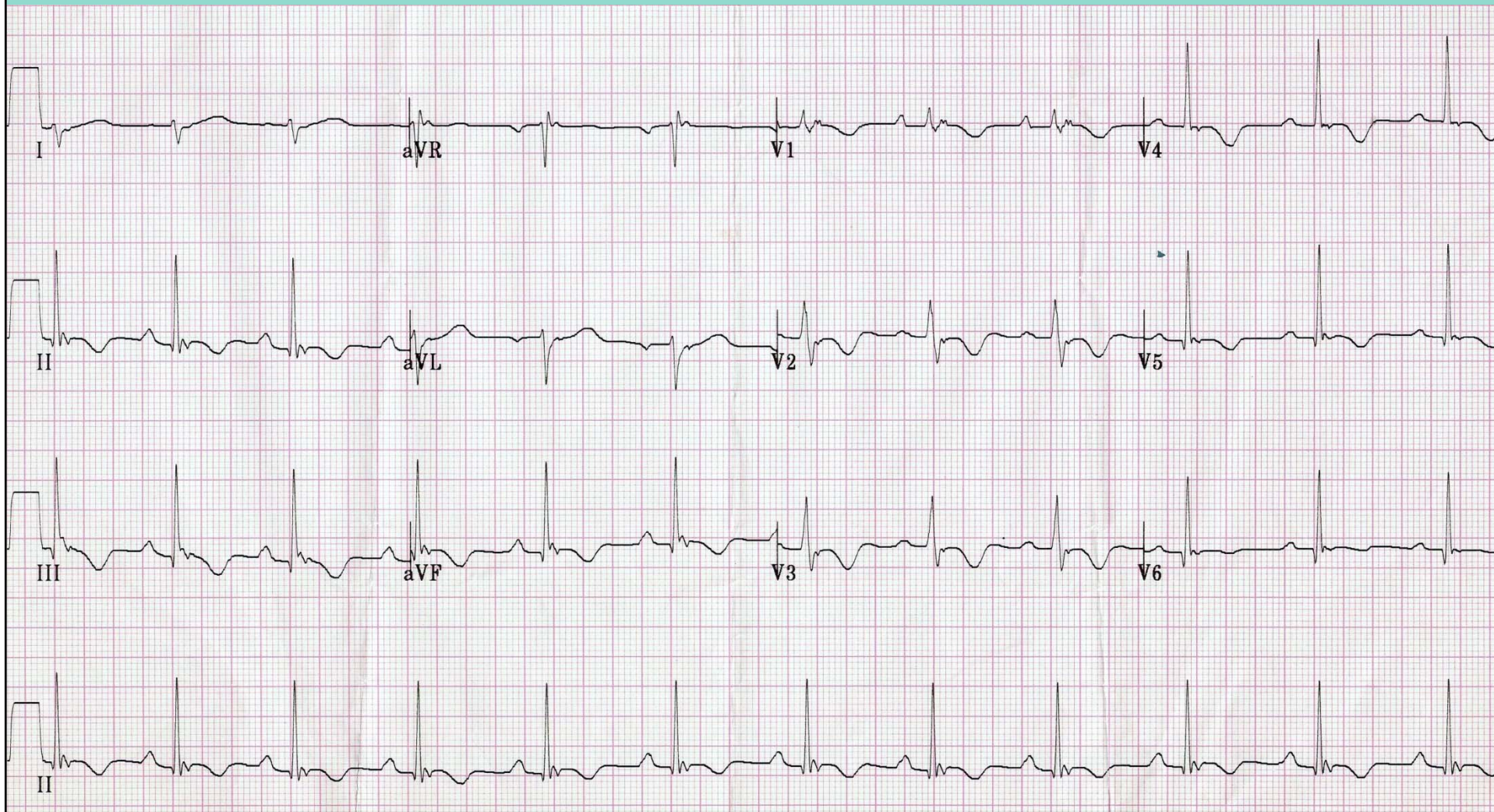
- A genetically acquired myocardial disease associated with paroxysmal ventricular arrhythmias and sudden cardiac death.
- Characterized pathologically by fibro-fatty replacement of the right ventricular myocardium.
- The second most common cause of sudden cardiac death in young people (after HOCM), causing *up to 20% of sudden cardiac deaths in patients < 35 yrs of age*.
- Typically inherited as an autosomal dominant trait, with variable penetrance and expression (there is an autosomal recessive form called [Naxos Disease](#), which is associated with woolly hair and skin changes).
- More common in men than women (3:1) and in people of Italian or Greek descent.
- Estimated to affect approximately 1 in 5,000 people overall.

From: 2014 ACC/AHA Guideline on Perioperative Cardiovascular Evaluation and Management of Patients Undergoing Noncardiac Surgery: A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines

Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular (RV) Cardiomyopathy and/or Dysplasia:

In 1 autopsy study examining a series of 200 cases of sudden death associated with arrhythmogenic RV cardiomyopathy and/or dysplasia, death occurred in 9.5% of cases during the perioperative period. This emphasizes the importance of close perioperative evaluation and monitoring of these patients for ventricular arrhythmia. Most of these patients require cardiac electrophysiologist involvement and consideration for an implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD) for long-term management.

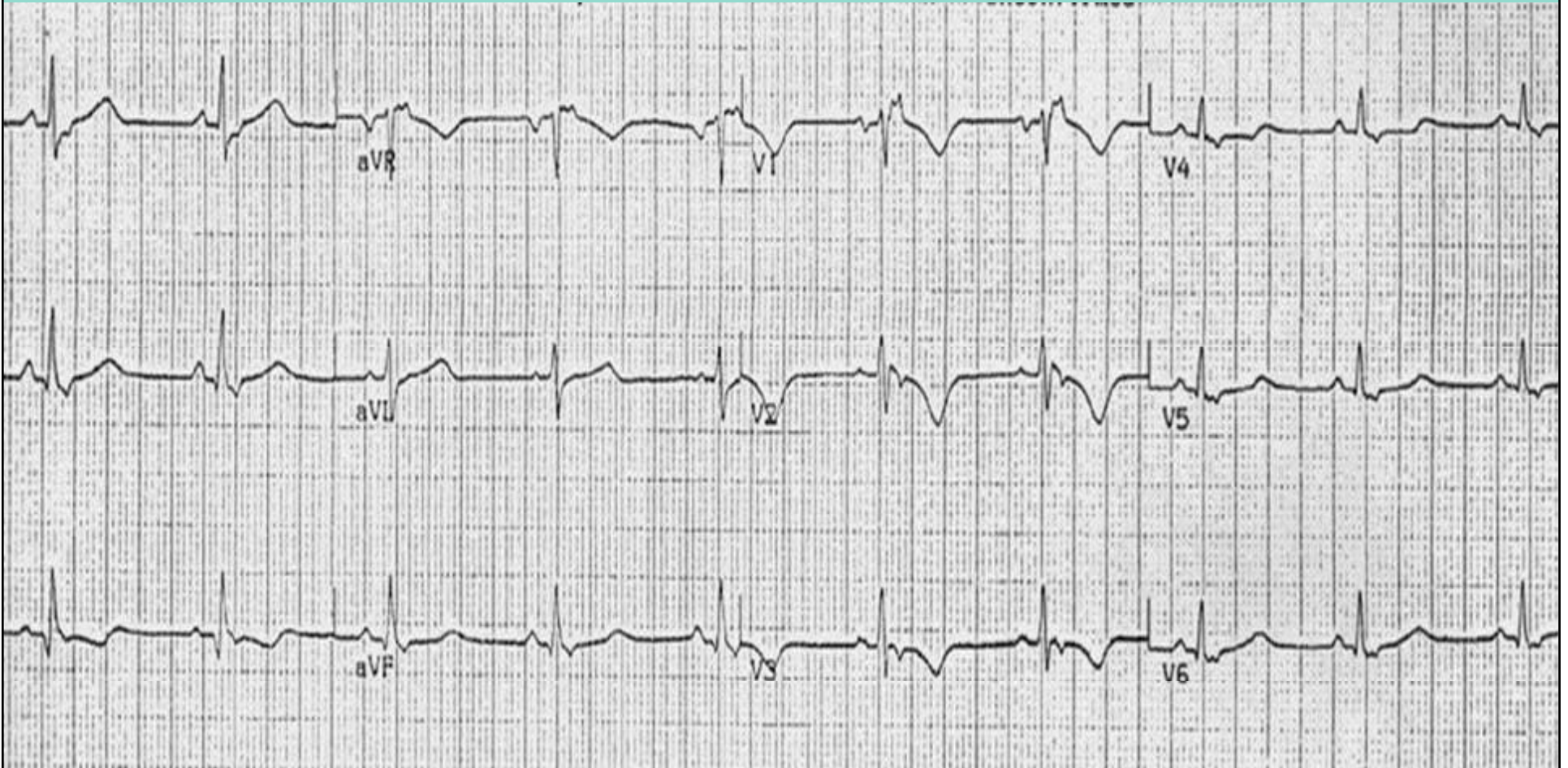
ARVD ECG 1



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2. V1, V2 Rs pattern
3. Inverted T waves, symmetrical, - Global

4. Epsilon's waves

ARVD ECG 2

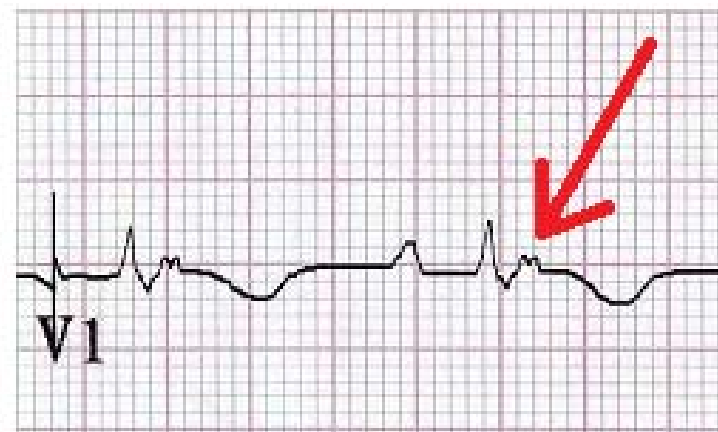


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ARVD – 12 Lead ECG Indicators

EPSILON WAVES



EARLY REPOLARIZATION

- POSSIBLY CAUSED BY ACCELERATED SUBEPICARDIAL REPOLARIZATION
- MILD S-T ELEVATION, USUALLY LESS THAN 2mm HEIGHT
- S-T ELEVATION SEEN IN LIMB AND PRECORDIAL LEADS (NEARLY ALL !)
- S-T ELEVATION MOST PROMINENT IN V-4 thru V6

EARLY REPOLARIZATION

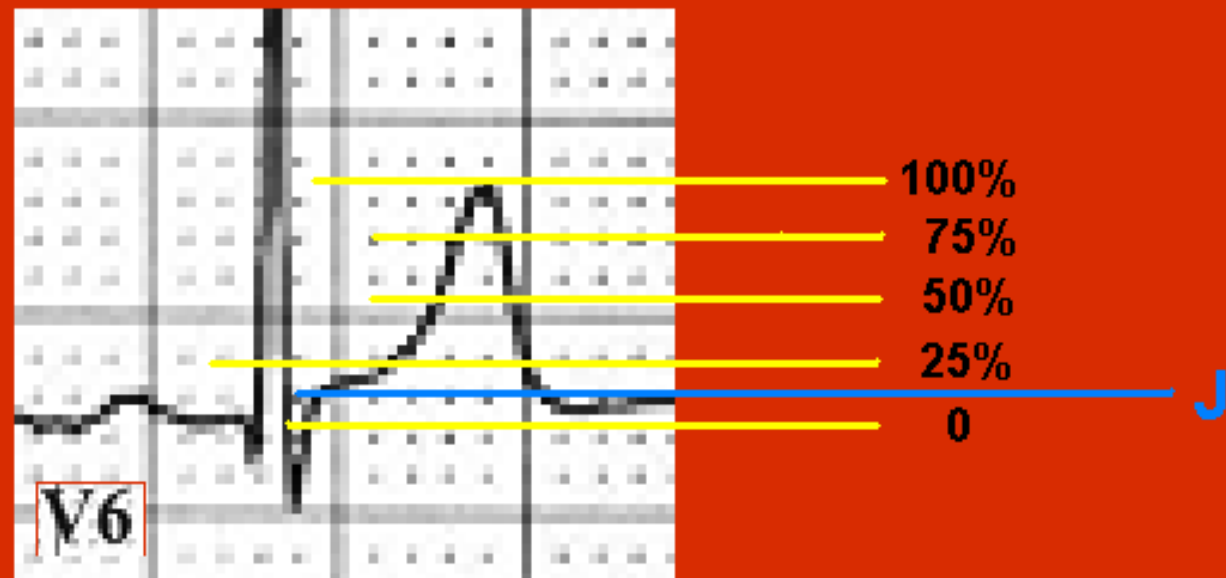
- MAY APPEAR IDENTICAL TO ACUTE PERICARDITIS EKG
- ONE POSSIBLE DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTIC IS THE

*** S-T : T RATIO IS LESS THAN
0.25 in lead V6**

*** ACCORDING TO: "CARDIOLOGY" the HOUSE OFFICER
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EARLY REPOLARIZATION

* S-T : T RATIO in LEAD V6:



LESS THAN 0.25

FAVORS EARLY REPOLARIZATION

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21 yr
Male Black
Room:ER
Loc:3 Option:16

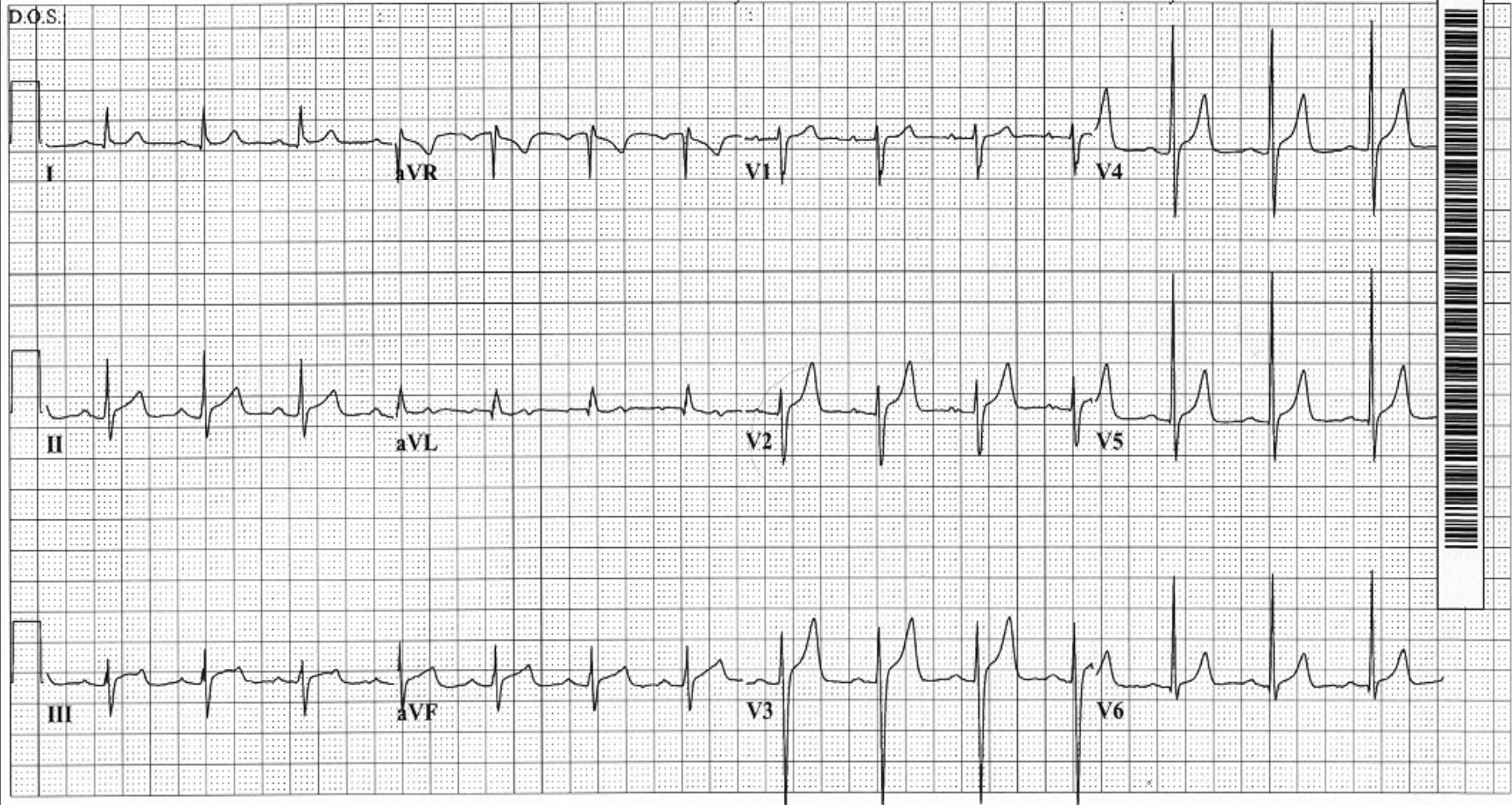
Vent. rate 86 BPM
PR interval 176 ms
QRS duration 90 ms
QT/QTc 330/394 ms
P-R-T axes 63 26 65

Normal sinus rhythm
Early repolarization
Normal ECG

Technician **EKG CLASS #WR03130614**

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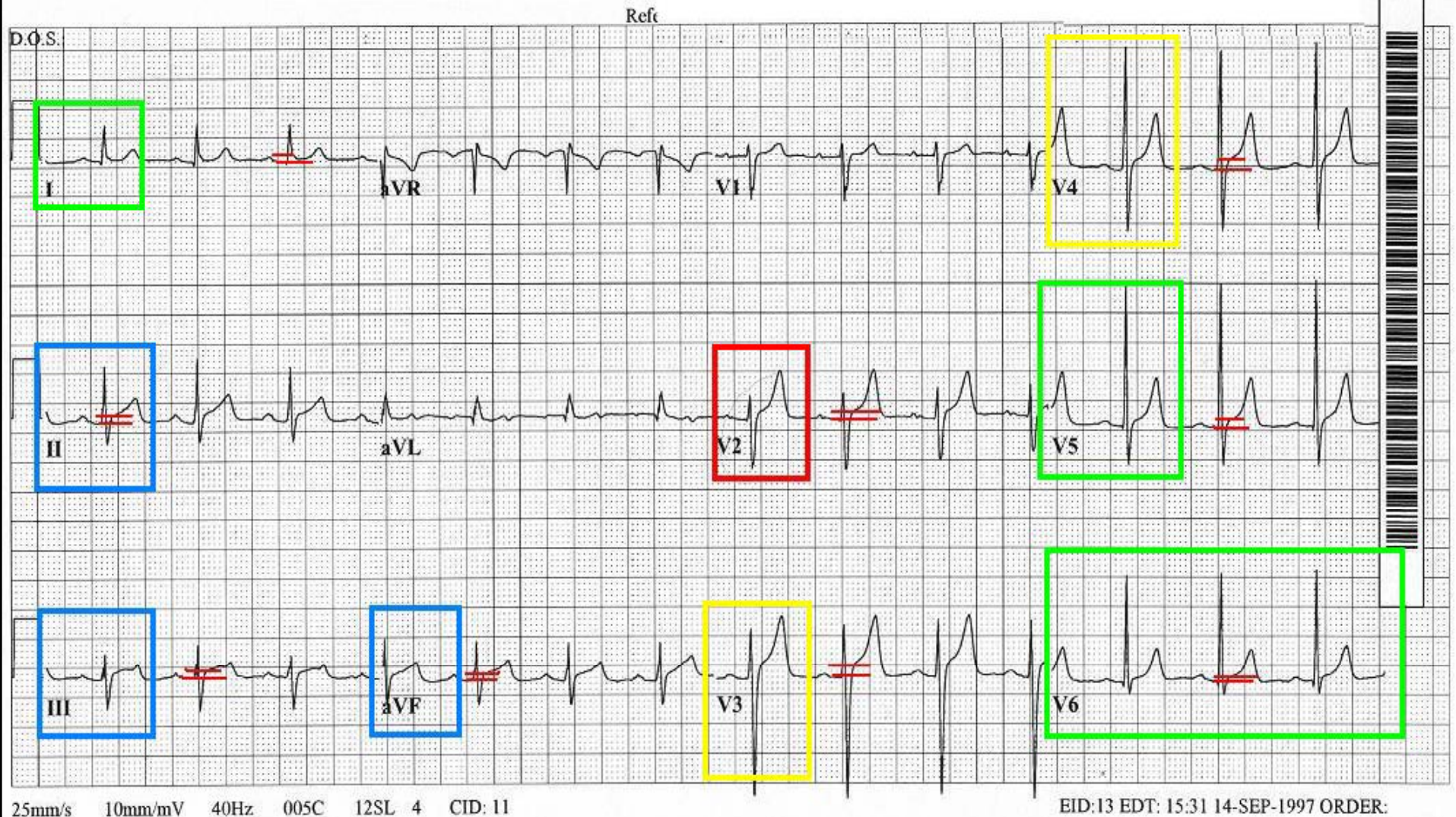
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- Pt IS YOUNG, HEATHY, MALE
- DIFFUSE S-T ELEV. IN MANY LEADS
- "V6 TEST" FAVORS EARLY REPOLARIZATION



EARLY REPOLARIZATION



REMEMBER TO CONSIDER THE
BIG PICTURE . . .



Pt. HAS "UNEXPLAINED" DIFFUSE S-T
ELEVATION IN NEARLY ALL LEADS



Pt. IS ASYMPTOMATIC



Pt. HAS NO REPRODUCEABLE
CHEST PAIN



Pt. IS USUALLY A YOUNG,
HEALTHY, ATHLETIC MALE !!



PERICARDITIS

COMMON EKG FEATURES

- DIFFUSE S-T ELEVATION (1 - 2 mm) IN MANY OR ALL LEADS.**
- USUALLY GREATEST S-T ELEVATION NOTED IN LEADS I, II, V5 and V6**
- P-R SEGMENT ELEVATION IN LEAD AVR
P-R SEGMENT DEPRESSION IN LEAD II**
- S-T ELEVATION (J POINT) USUALLY GREATER THAN 25% OF HEIGHT OF T-WAVE IN V-6**

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ST JOSEPH HOSPITAL

64years
Female BlackVent. rate 121 bpm
PR interval 116 ms
QRS duration 60 ms
QT/QTc 286/406 ms
P-R-T axes 64 0 44Sinus tachycardia
Acute pericarditis
Abnormal ECG

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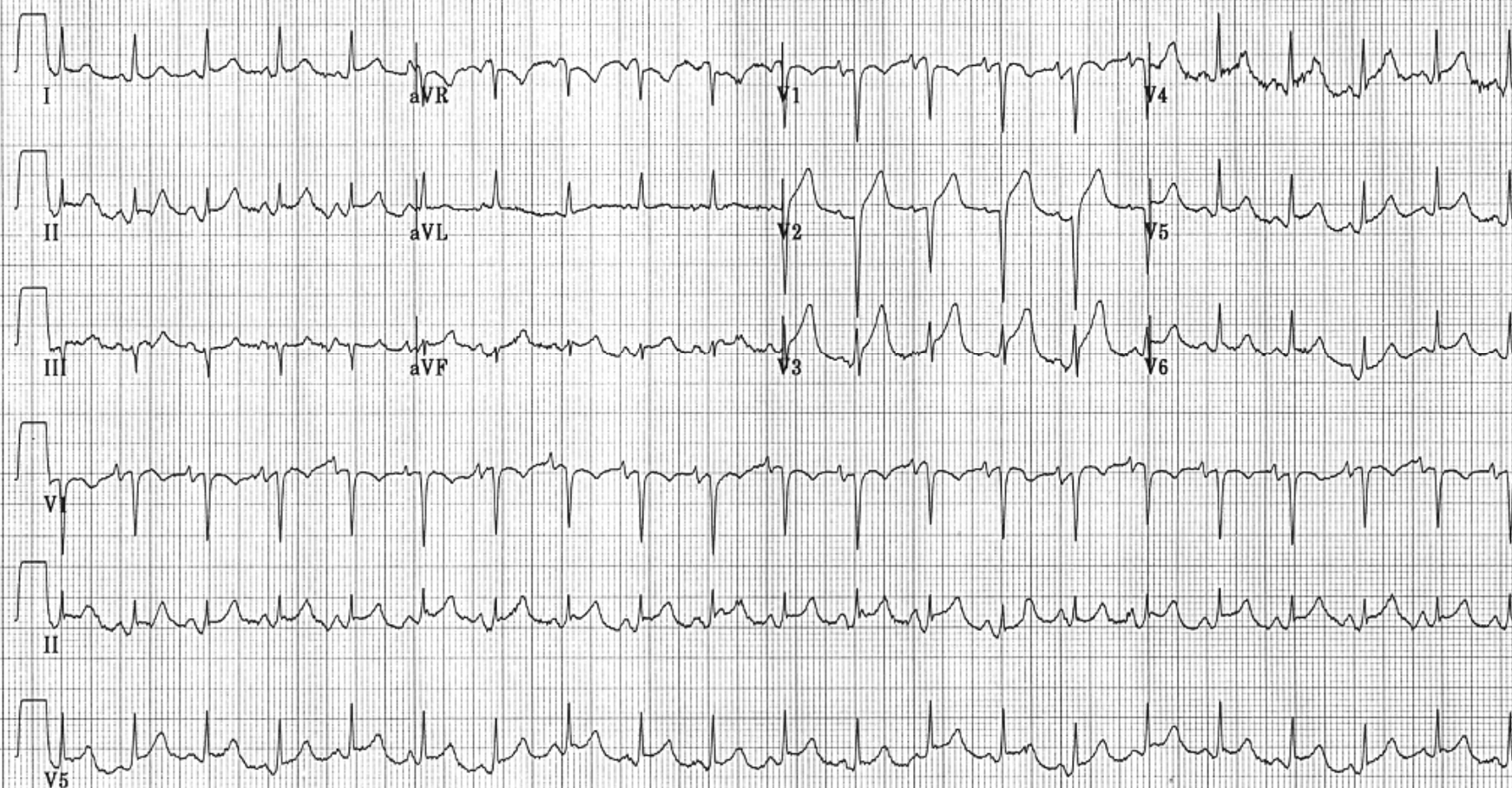
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40 Hz

.0 mm/s

10.0 mm/mV

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2.5s + 3 rhythm lds

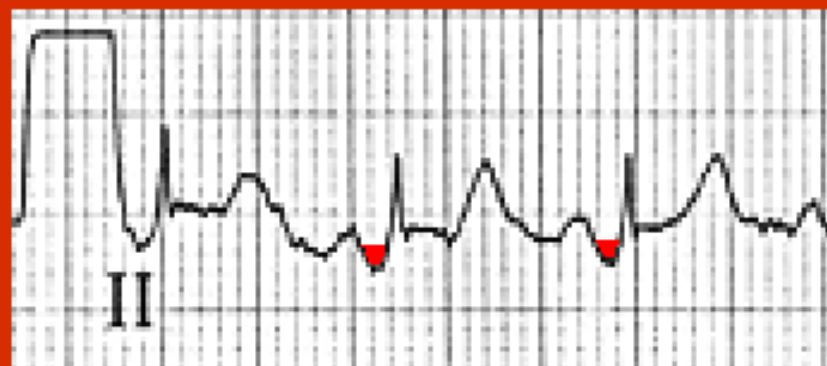
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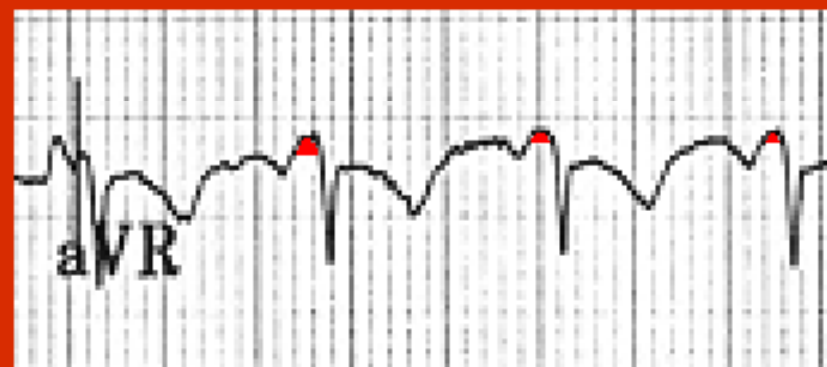
PERICARDITIS

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DEPRESSED
P-R SEGMENT
LEAD II



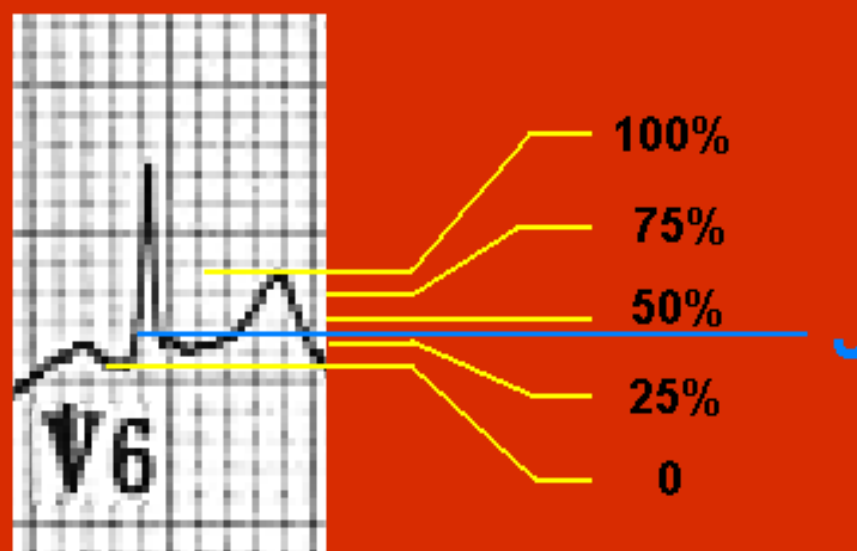
ELEVATED
P-R SEGMENT
LEAD AVR



PERICARDITIS

EKG CLASS #WR03999999

*** S-T : T RATIO in LEAD V6:**



**MORE THAN 0.25
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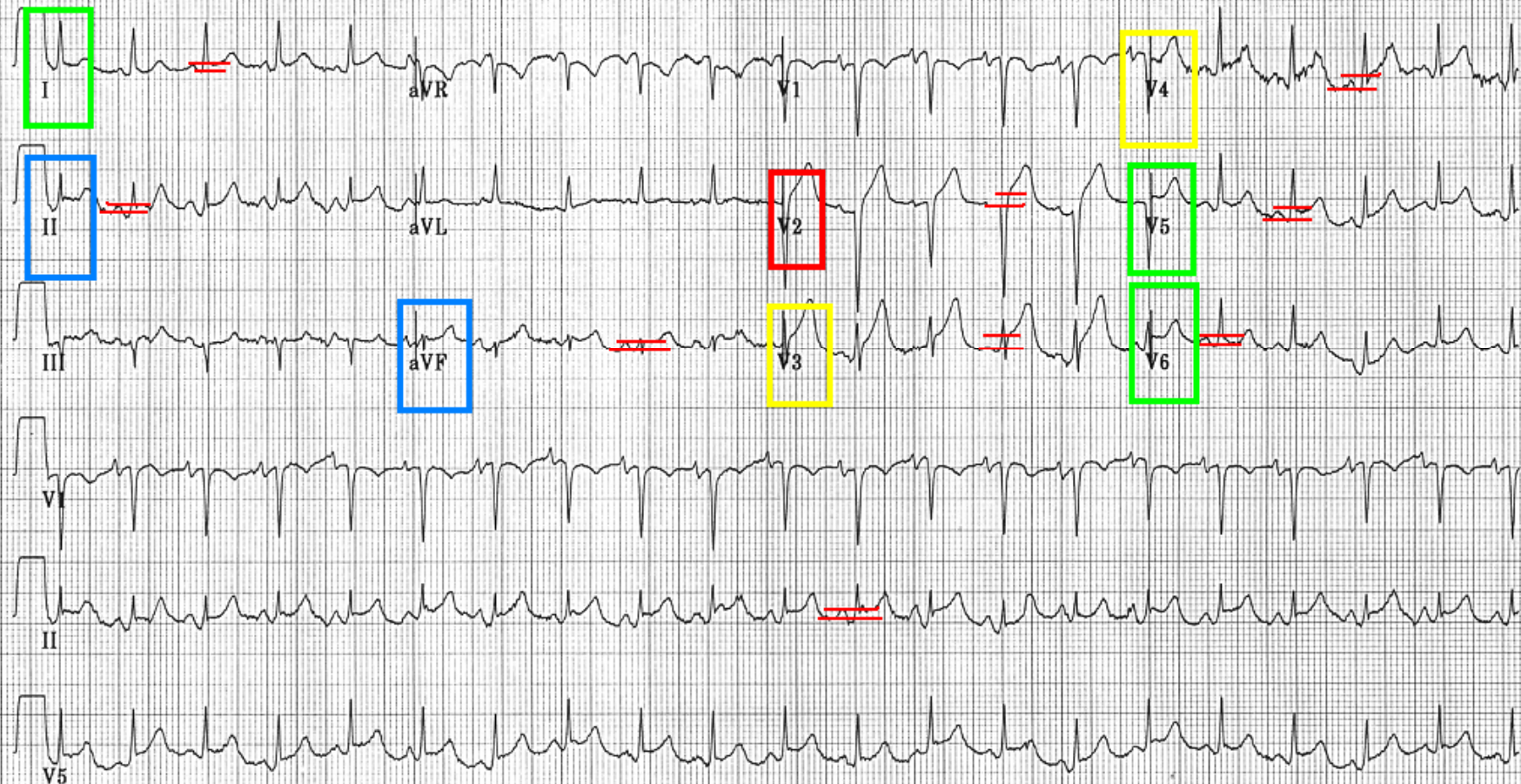
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-- EKG ALERT --

- DIFFERENTIATION OF PERICARDITIS vs. EARLY REPOLARIZATION BASED ON EKG ALONE CAN BE DIFFICULT AND MISLEADING.
- THE NEXT TWO EKGs ARE FROM THE SAME ASYMPTOMATIC HEALTHY YOUNG MALE, TAKEN ON DIFFERENT DATES . . .

36 yr
Male Caucasian

Vent. rate	59	BPM
PR interval	150	ms
QRS duration	88	ms
QT/QTc	362/358	ms
P-R-T axes	75 58 66	

Sinus bradycardia with marked sinus arrhythmia

Early repolarization

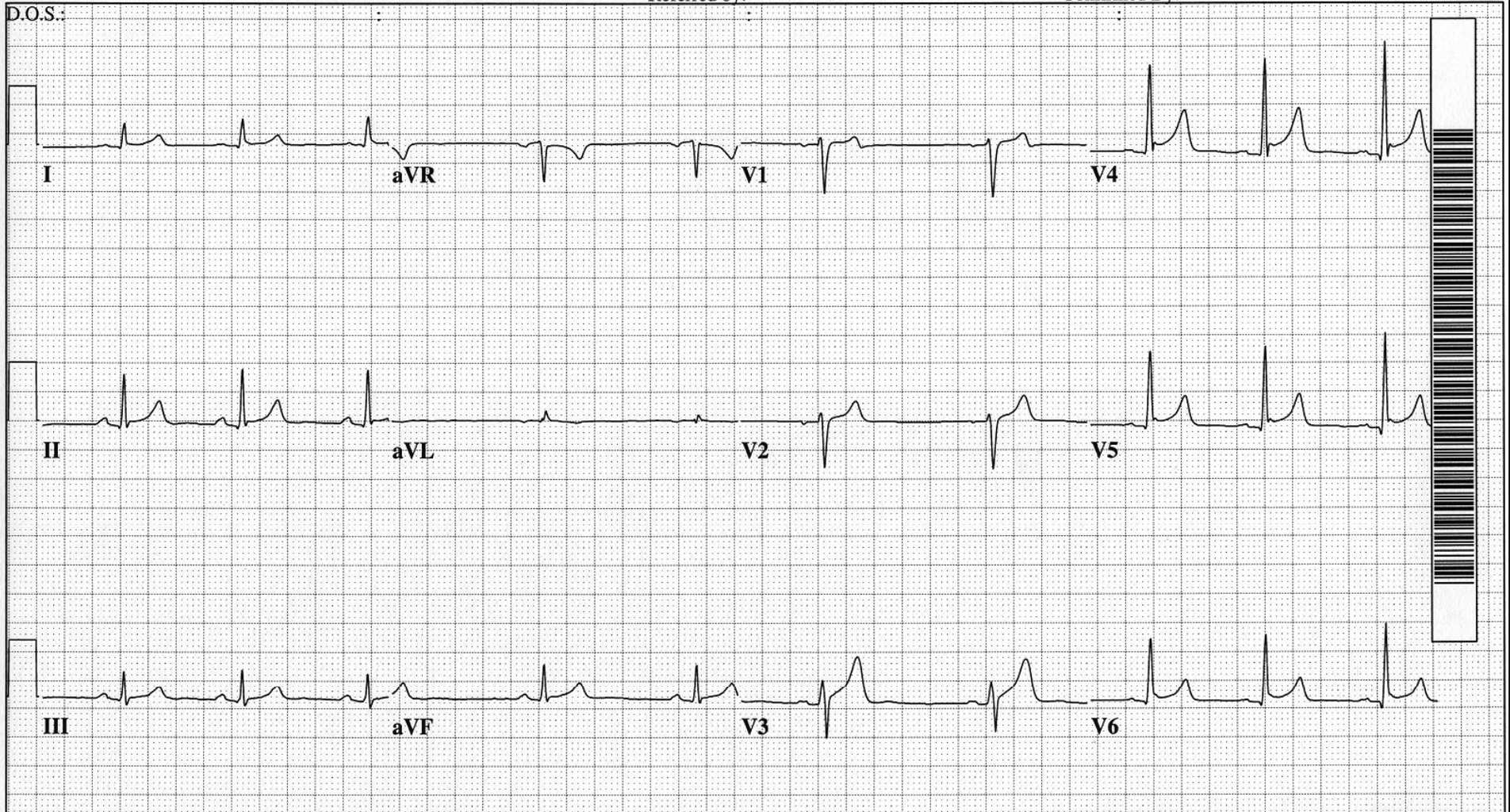
Otherwise normal ECG

When compared with ECG of 31-JAN-2001 06:57 (UNCONFIRMED),
No significant change was found

EKG CLASS #WR03778819B

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36 yr
Male CaucasianVent. rate 64 BPM
PR interval 144 ms
QRS duration 86 ms
QT/QTc 348/359 ms
P-R-T axes 75 49 62

Normal sinus rhythm with marked sinus arrhythmia

Possible Acute pericarditis ←

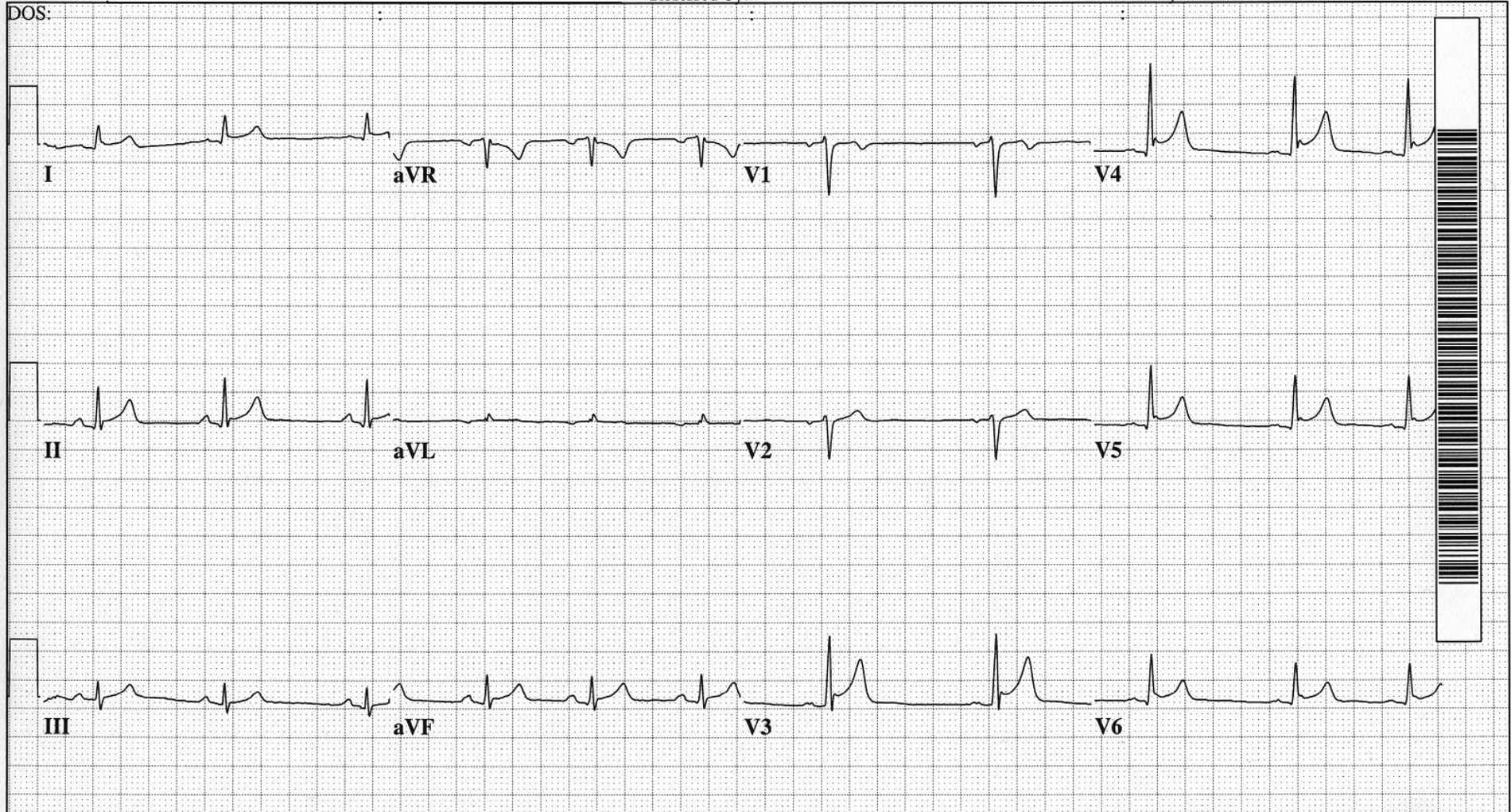
Abnormal ECG

When compared with ECG of 30-MAY-2000 04:48 (UNCONFIRMED),
No significant change was found

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PERICARDITIS vs. EARLY REPOLARIZATION

DIFFERENTIAL DIAGNOSIS

PERICARDITIS

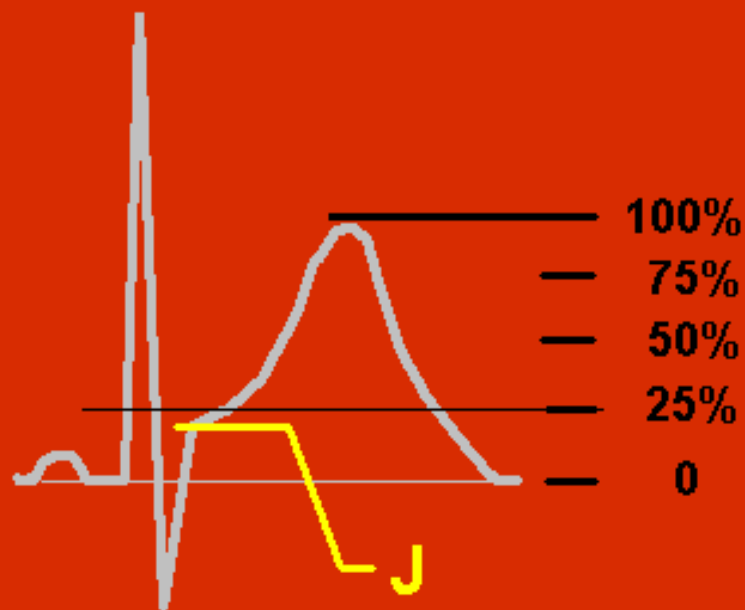
- Recent FLU or VIRAL infection
- Complaint of Chest Pain
- HS=Friction Rub

EARLY REPOLARIZATION

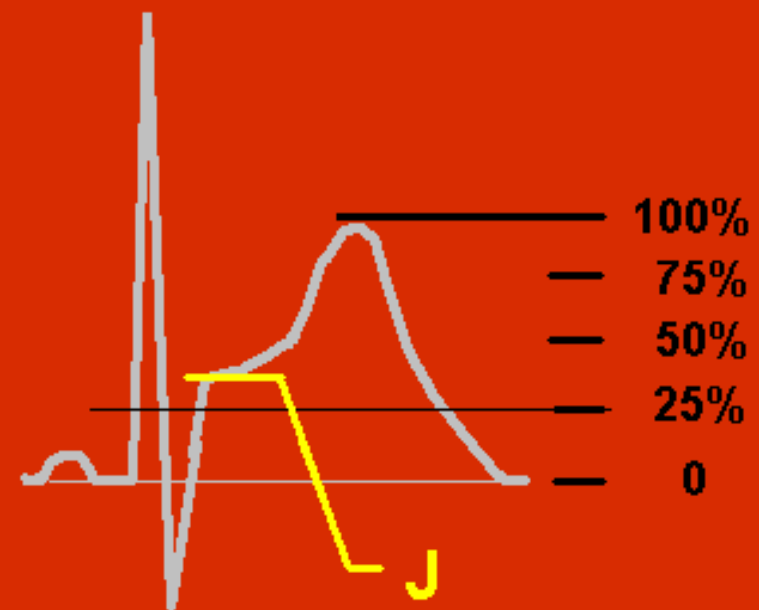
- No Hx of recent illness.
- No chest-related complaints
- Normal Heart Sounds

EARLY REPOLARIZATION VS. PERICARDITIS

*** S-T : T RATIO in LEAD V6:**



LESS THAN 0.25
FAVORS
EARLY REPOLARIZATION



MORE THAN 0.25
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THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



CARDIOMYOPATHY -

DAMAGE or DEATH OF CARDIAC MUSCLE CELLS, USUALLY THE RESULT OF A PATHOLOGICAL PROCESS, RESULTING IN A GLOBAL DECREASE OF VENTRICULAR FUNCTION.

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



ETIOLOGY (NON-ISCHEMIC):

- IDIOPATHIC**
- INFECTIOUS**
- AUTOIMMUNE**
- GENETIC**
- ALCOHOLIC / TOXIC**
- CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE /
CHRONIC HYPERTENSION**

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



INFECTIOUS ETIOLOGIES:

VIRAL:

COXSACKIE A & B
ECHO
INFLUENZA
POLIO
HERPES
ADENOVIRUS
MUMPS
RUBELLA / RUBEOLA
HEPATITIS B & C
HIV

SPIROCHETAL:

LYME'S DISEASE

BACTERIAL:

SALMONELLA
LEGIONELLA
CLOSTRIDIUM

RICKETTSIAL

FUNGAL:

CRYPTOCOCCUS

PROTOZOAN:

TOXOPLASMOSIS GONDI
TYPANOSOMIASIS CRUZI

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



SPECTRUM OF CLINICAL PRESENTATIONS:

- WEAKNESS
- DYSPNEA (often exertional)
- CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
- ANGINA / CHEST DISCOMFORT
- MIMIC ACUTE MI
- SYMPTOMS OF PERICARDITIS
- CONGESTIVE HEART FAILURE
- PALPITATIONS
- SUDDEN DEATH

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



EKG FINDINGS MAY INCLUDE:

- PERICARDITIS CHANGES**
- CHAMBER HYPERTROPHY (A / V)**
- Q / QS COMPLEXES**
- POOR R WAVE PROGRESSION**
- AV NODAL / BBB (LBBB common)**
- ATRIAL FIBRILLATION**
- VENTRICULAR COMPLEXES**

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



EKG FINDINGS, con't:

- Normal EKG
- ACUTE MI (S-T ELEVATION
> 1mm IN TWO or more
consecutive leads)

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



CASE STUDY: 19 y/o Female presents to ER via EMS, C/O shortness of breath. Her skin is pale, clammy, and diaphoretic. EMS states they found her lethargic, with a BP of 66/38. Her O2 SAT was 79. They placed her on O2 15 LPM via NRB mask, and started IV NS KVO, then bolused her with a 250cc fluid challenge. Currently she is awake, C/O DIB, weakness and nausea. She's "had the flu" for the last 10 days.

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



CASE STUDY: PHYSICAL EXAM reveals JVD, BBS= Coarse Crackles in bases and mid fields, rales in the upper fields. Pt is becoming increasingly anxious by the minute, C/O increased DIB. Her family states she has been "too weak to get out of bed for the last few days."

Repeat BP = 56 / 30, HR = 134, R = 36, SAO2 = 88% on 15 LPM O2 via NRB.

YOUR COURSE OF ACTION IS ?

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-ER ROUTINE RETRIEVAL

19 yr
Female
Room:CR
Loc:3 Option:23

Vent. rate	131	BPM
PR interval	240	ms
QRS duration	130	ms
QT/QTc	304/448	ms
P-R-T axes	-31 -99	103

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Unusual P axis, possible ectopic atrial tachycardia with 1st degree A-V block

Right bundle branch block

Possible Lateral infarct , age undetermined

Inferior infarct , age undetermined

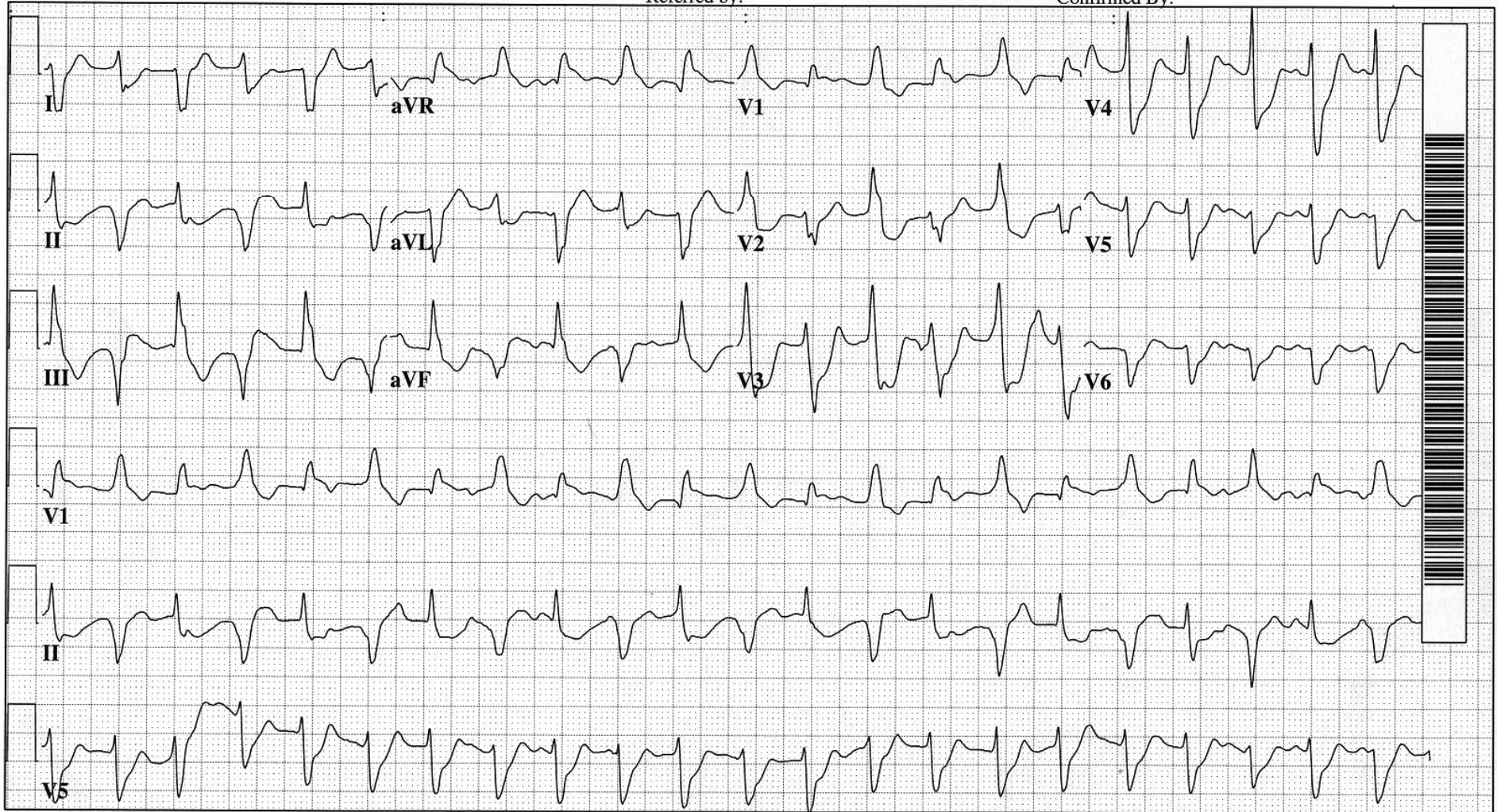
Abnormal ECG

No previous ECGs available

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THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



EKG FINDINGS MAY INCLUDE:

- A NORMAL EKG
- PERICARDITIS CHANGES
- CHAMBER HYPERTROPHY (A / V)
- Q / QS COMPLEXES
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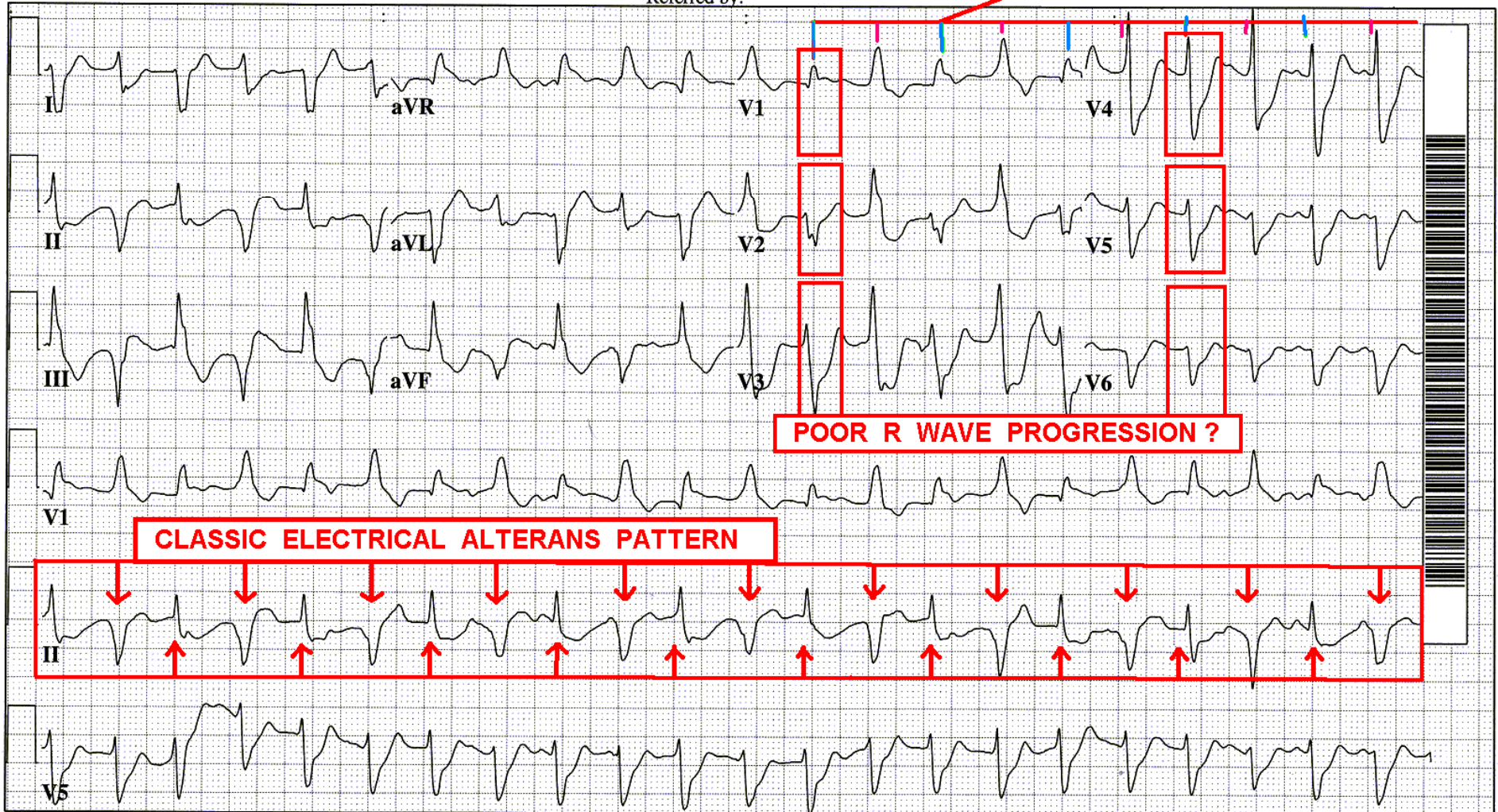
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possible ectopic atrial tachycardia

CARDIOMYOPATHY FINDINGS:**- AV BLOCK (1st DEGREE)****- WIDE QRS / BUNDLE BRANCH BLOCK****- Q and QS COMPLEXES****- ELECTRICAL ALTERANS****EKG CLASS #WR03883506**

1st degree A-V block
Right bundle branch block
Possible ~~Lateral~~ infarct, age undetermined
Inferior infarct, age undetermined

Abnormal ECG
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THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



CASE STUDY :

**STAT ECHOCARDIOGRAM REVEALED
GLOBAL HYPOKINESIS, EF < 20%.
NO PERICARDIAL EFFUSION NOTED.
NO VALVULAR DYSFUNCTION NOTED.**

NEXT COURSE OF ACTION ?

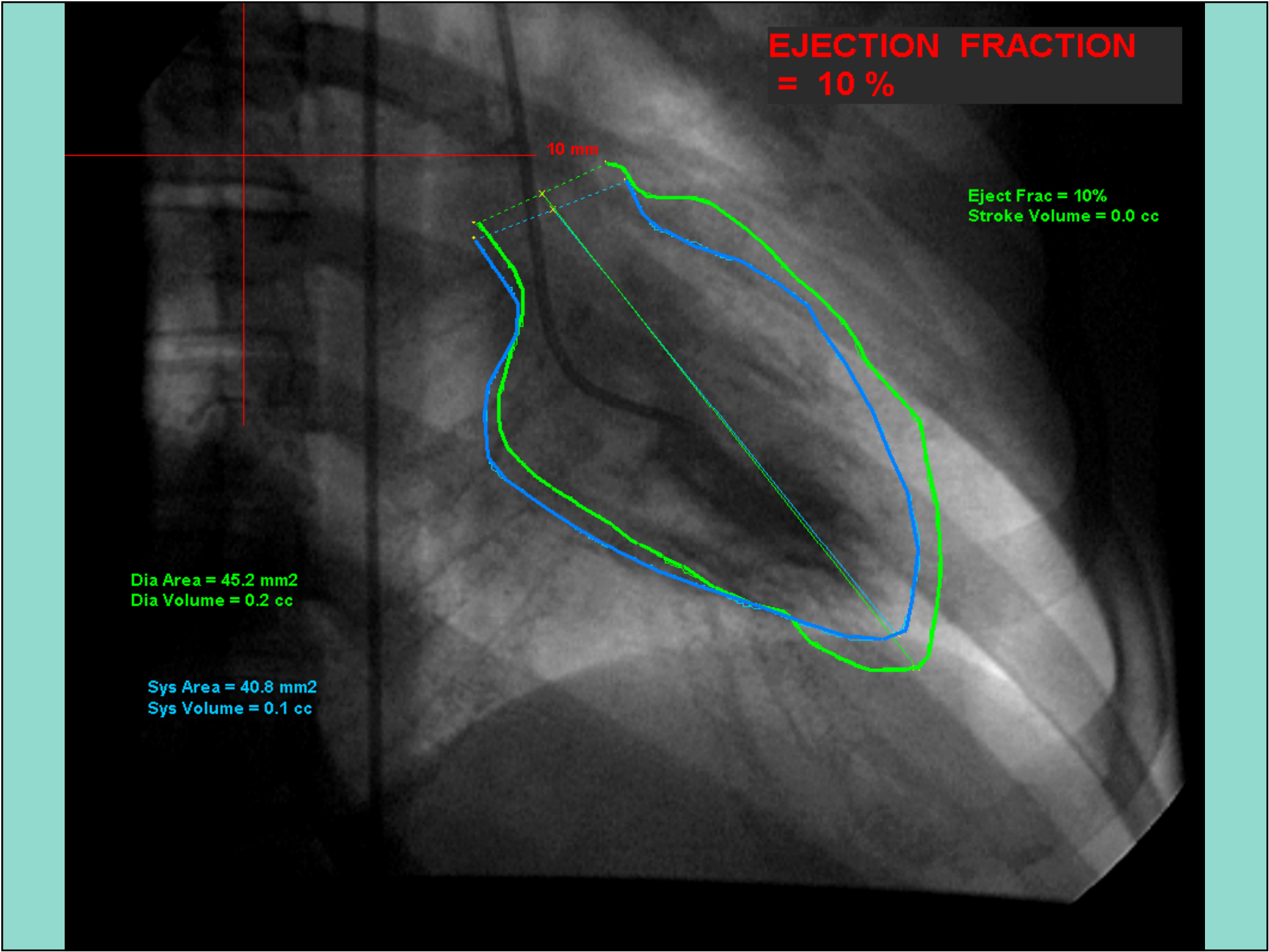
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= 10 %**

Eject Frac = 10%
Stroke Volume = 0.0 cc

Dia Area = 45.2 mm²
Dia Volume = 0.2 cc

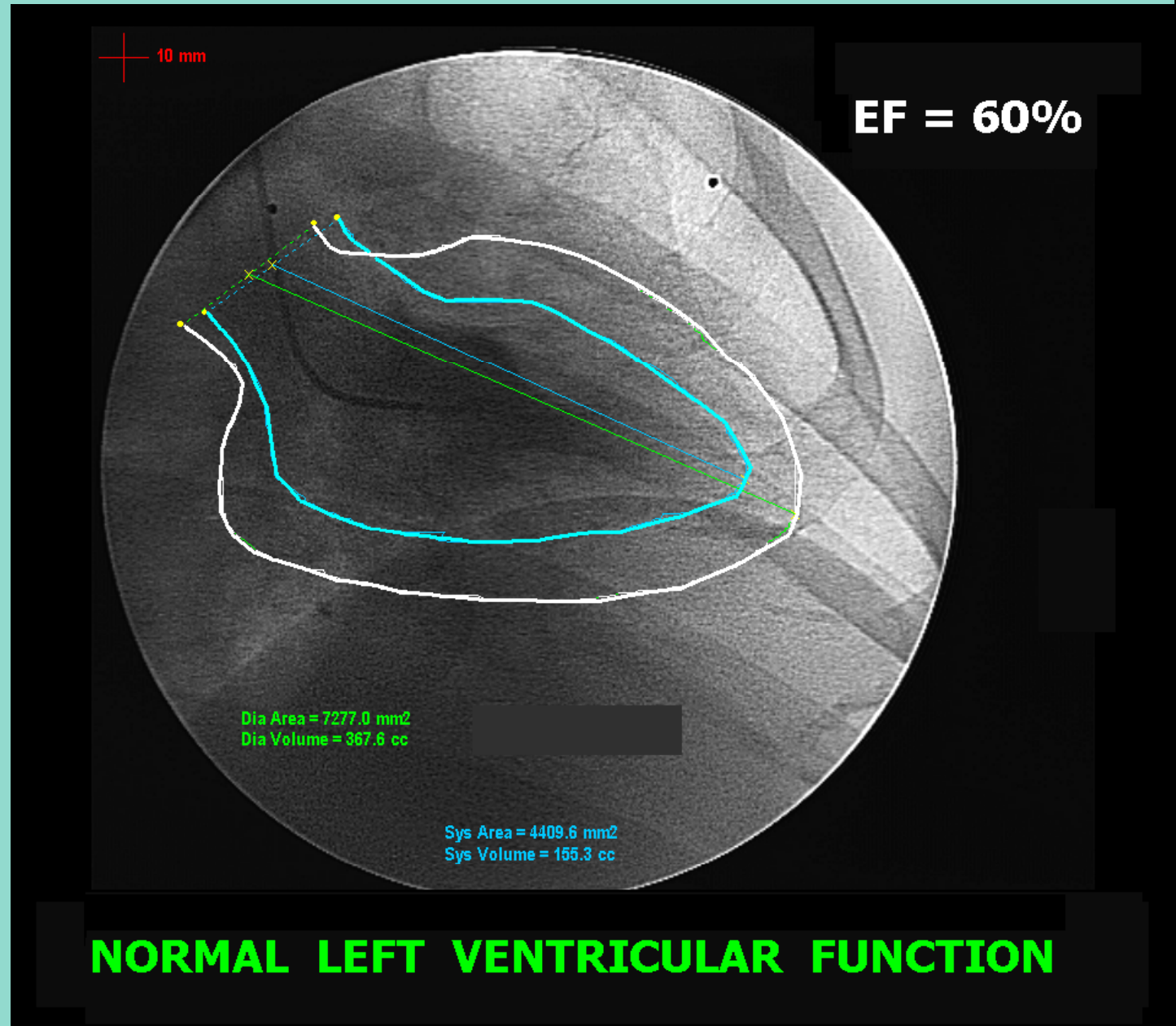
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Sys Volume = 0.1 cc

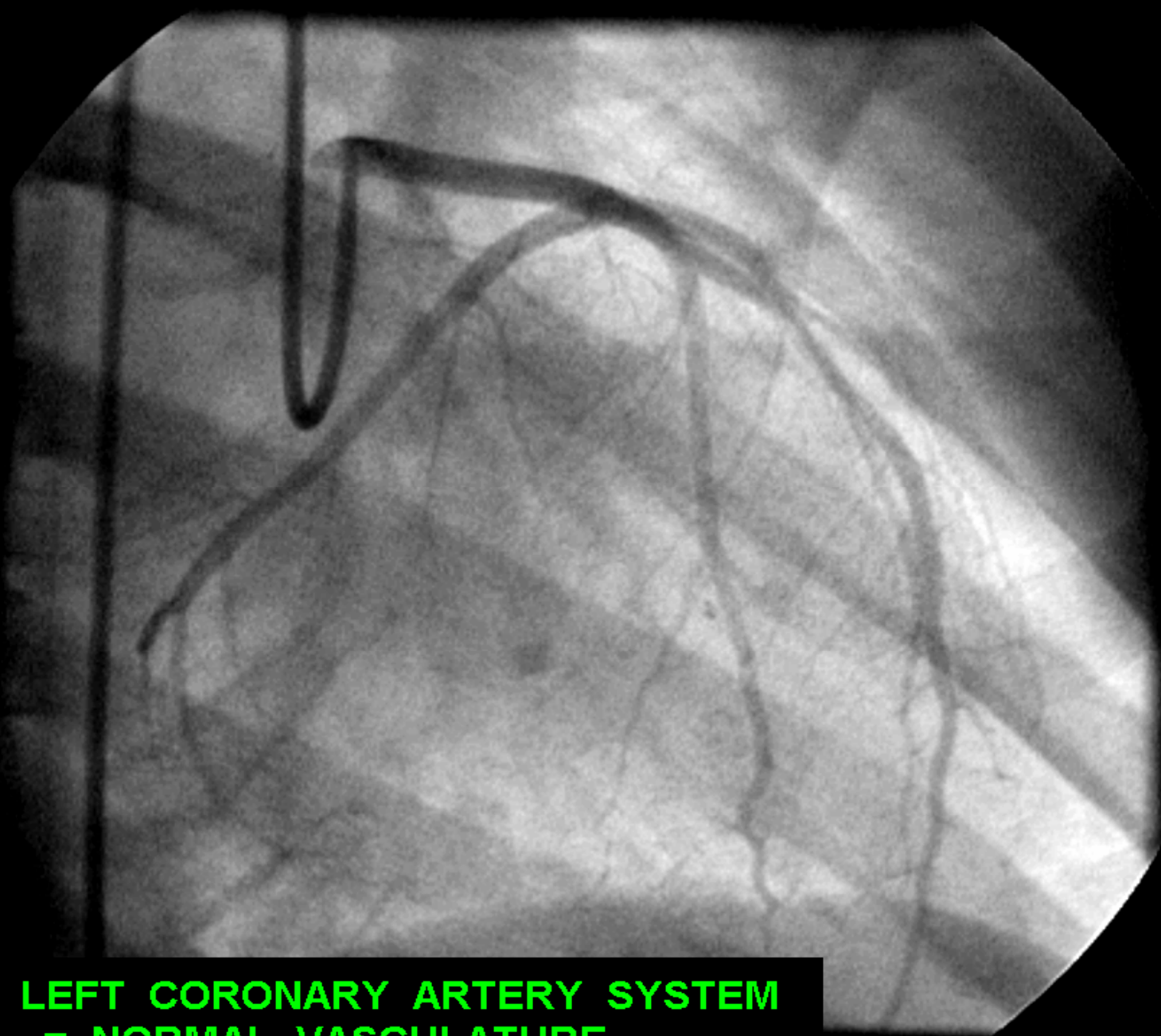
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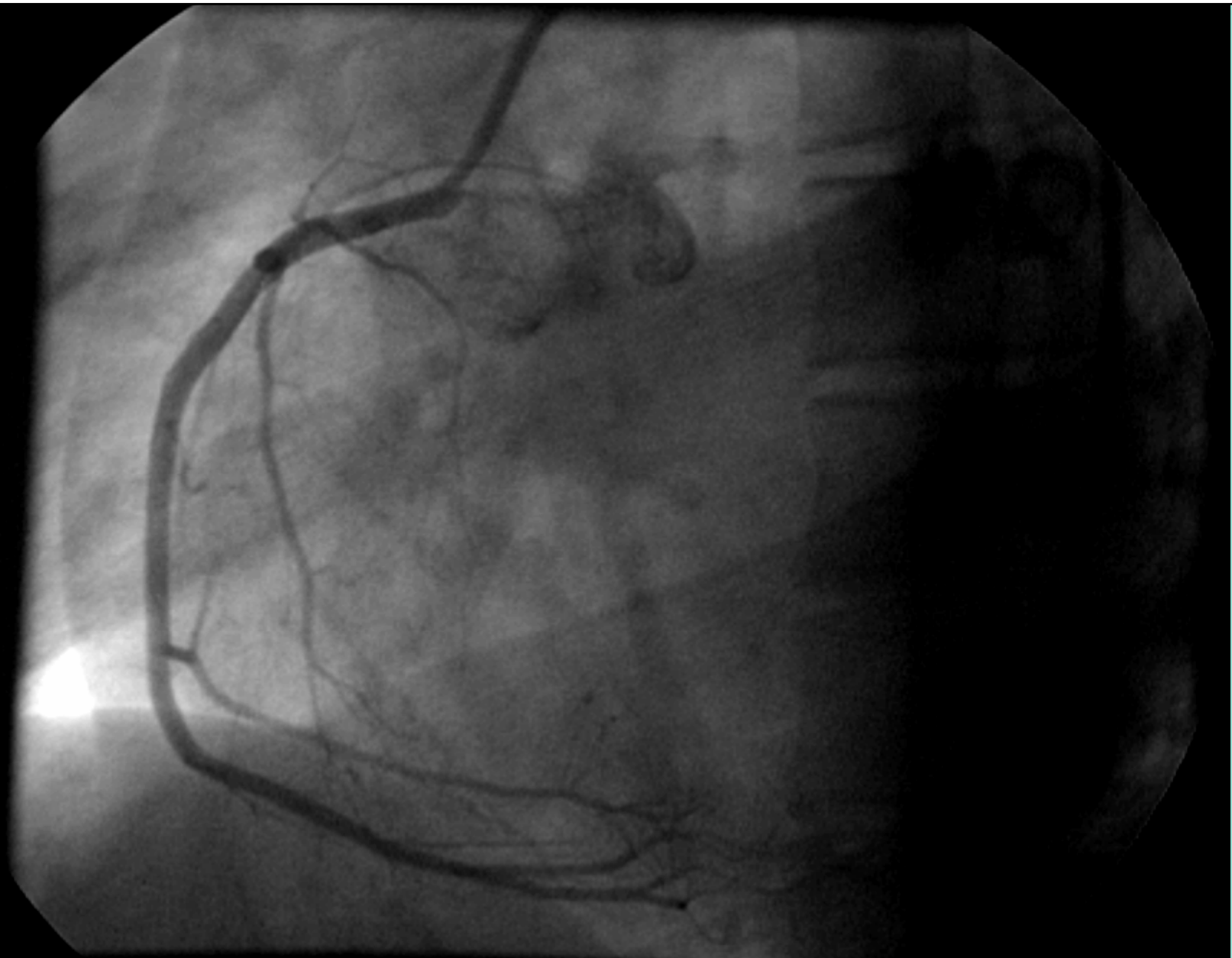
NORMAL EJECTION FRACTION =

55 - 70%





**LEFT CORONARY ARTERY SYSTEM
= NORMAL VASCULATURE**



**RIGHT CORONARY ARTERY SYSTEM =
NORMAL VASCULATURE**

THE CARDIOMYOPATHIES



CASE STUDY :

IABP INSERTED DURING CARDIAC CATH.

**STAT TRANSFER TO REGIONAL CARDIAC
TRANSPLANT FACILITY ORDERED.**

**PATIENT EXPERIENCED VENTRICULAR
TACHYCARDIA and IRREVERSIBLE V-FIB
BEFORE HELICOPTER ARRIVAL.**

CARDIAC VALVE DISORDERS

Such as:

- AORTIC STENOSIS**
- MITRAL STENOSIS**

- AORTIC REGURGITATION**
- MITRAL REGURGITATION**

**result in CHAMBER HYPERTROPHY
on the 12 lead ECG.**

**When ECG Indicators of
CHAMBER HYPERTROPHY
Are present on the 12 Lead ECG,
An ECHOCARDIOGRAM should
Be obtained and evaluated to:**

- CONFIRM HYPERTROPHY**
- DETERMINE ETIOLOGY (VALVULAR
STENOSIS / VALVULAR REGURGITATION
vs other etiology)**

CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

SYSTOLIC OVERLOAD

A CONDITION WHERE THE HEART MUST OVERCOME UNUSUAL RESISTANCE TO EJECT BLOOD. THIS RESULTS IN MUSCLE THICKENING, or HYPERTROPHY.

- VALVULAR STENOSIS**
- SYSTEMIC HYPERTENSION**
- PULMONARY HYPERTENSION**
- CONGENITAL ABNORMALITIES**

CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

DIASTOLIC OVERLOAD

A CONDITION WHERE DURING DIASTOLE, THE CHAMBER IS OVER-ENGORGED BY EXCESSIVE BLOOD VOLUME. THIS RESULTS IN "STRETCHING" or DILATION OF THE CHAMBER.

- VALVULAR REGURGITATION**
- FLUID VOLUME OVERLOAD**

CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

EKG CHANGES

INCREASE IN CHAMBER SIZE and/or MASS RESULTS IN AN INCREASE IN AMPLITUDE and/or TIME IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE DEPOLARIZATION.

SIMPLY PUT, THE EKG WAVEFORMS ARE BIGGER AND LONGER THAN NORMAL IN CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT.

CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT

- IF THE P-WAVE IS TOO HIGH IN LEAD II, WE SUSPECT RIGHT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT.
- IF THE P-WAVE IS TOO LONG IN LEAD II, WE SUSPECT LEFT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT.

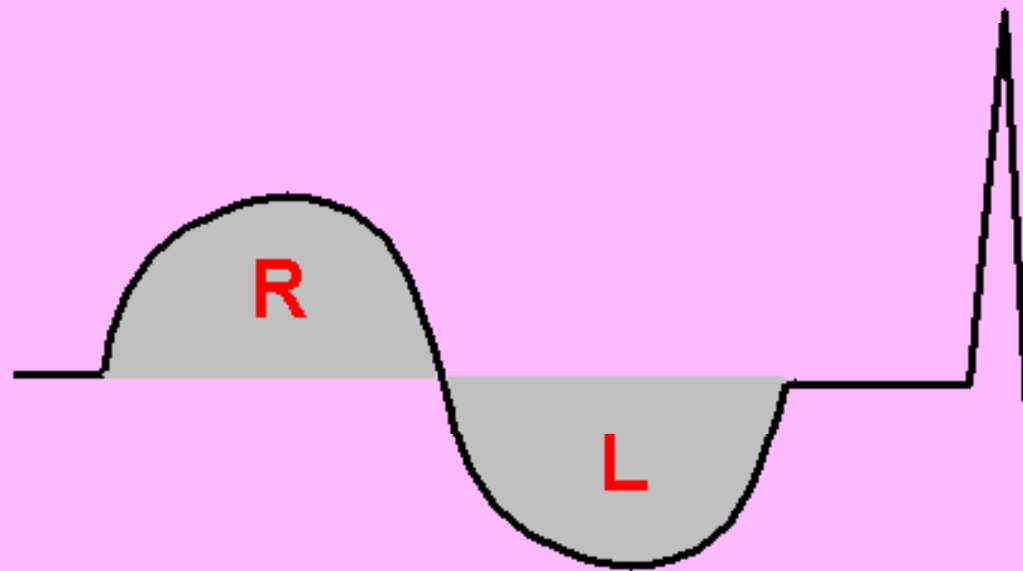
CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT

- P-WAVES THAT ARE "POINTY" IN LEAD II (as opposed to rounded) . FAVOR RIGHT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT
- P-WAVES THAT LOOK LIKE THE LETTER " M " FAVOR LEFT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT

THE P WAVE

- WHEN THE P WAVE IS BI-PHASIC IN V1, IT DISPLAYS BOTH R and L ATRIAL DEPOLARIZATION

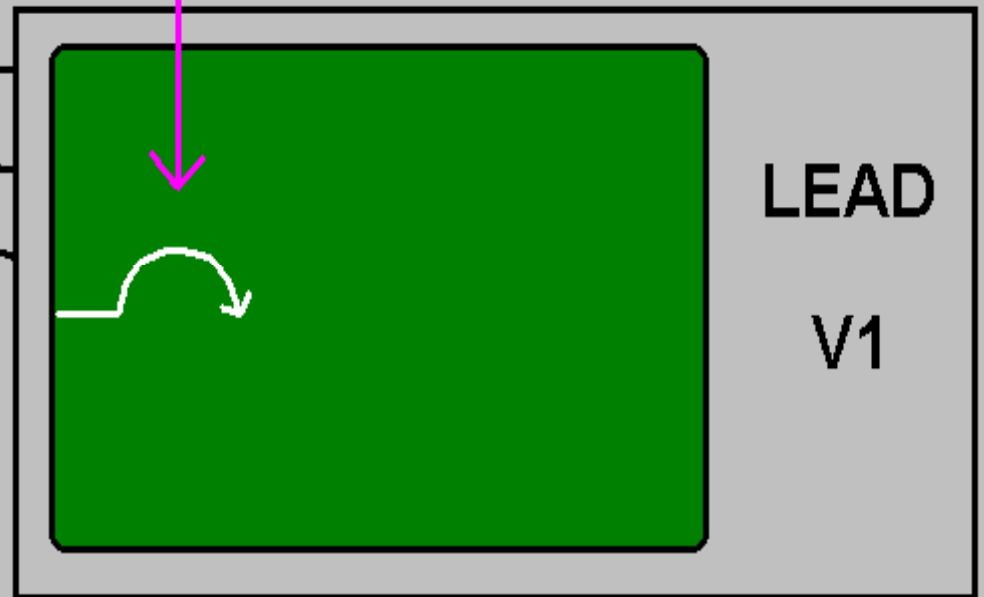


RIGHT ATRIAL DEPOLARIZATION

FIRST 1/2 of
P WAVE

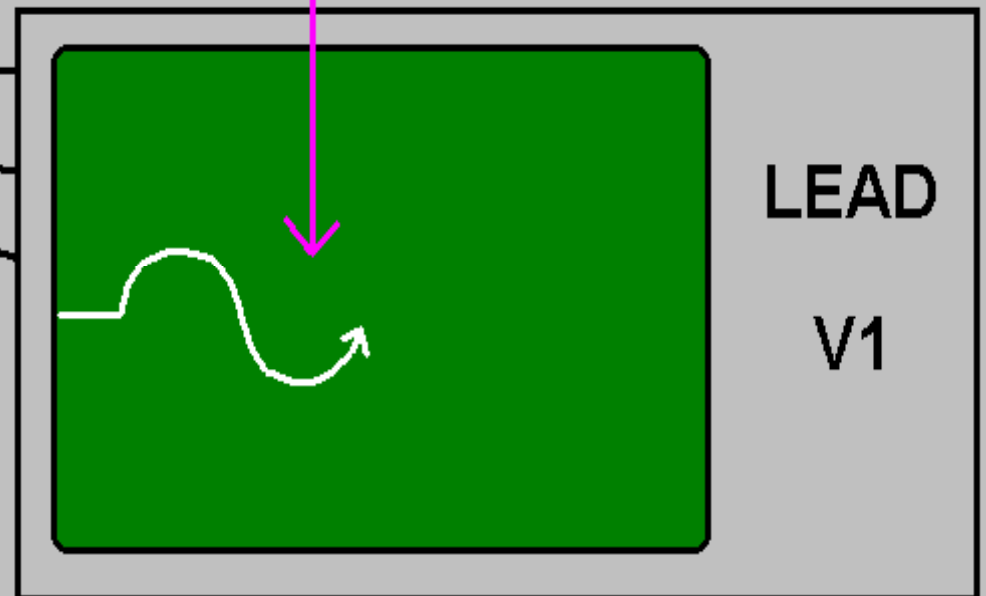
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V1



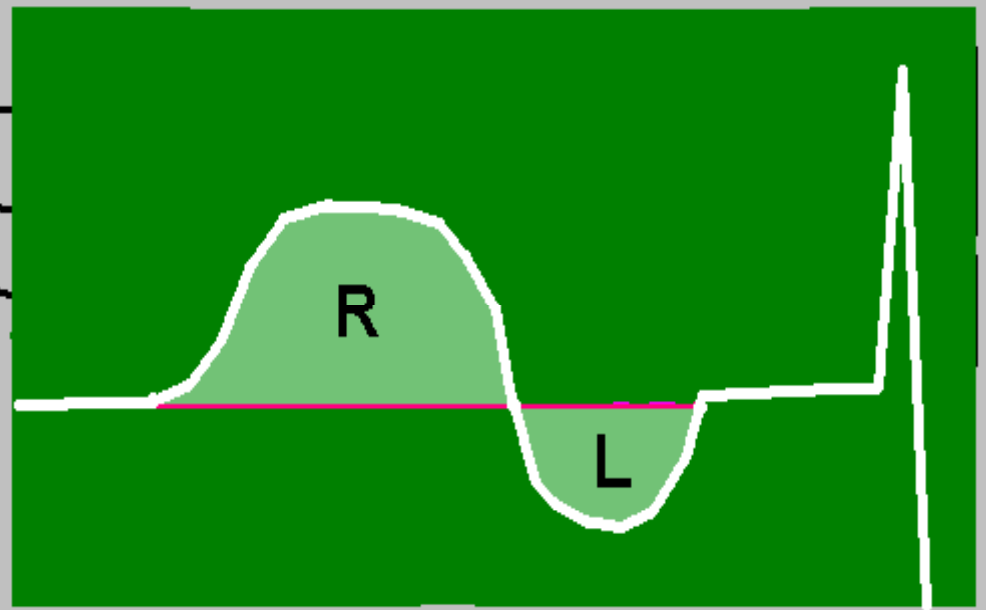
LEFT ATRIAL DEPOLARIZATION

LAST 1/2 of
P WAVE



RIGHT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT

P-WAVE IN V1



02-DEC-1998 00:24:45

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29 yr
Male Black
Room:ER
Loc:3 Option:28

Vent. rate 107 BPM
PR interval 132 ms
QRS duration 80 ms
QT/QTc 310/413 ms
P-R-T axes 67 105 -32

Sinus tachycardia

Right atrial enlargement

Rightward axis

Pulmonary disease pattern

RSR' or QR pattern in V1 suggests right ventricular

T wave abnormality, consider inferior ischemia

Abnormal ECG

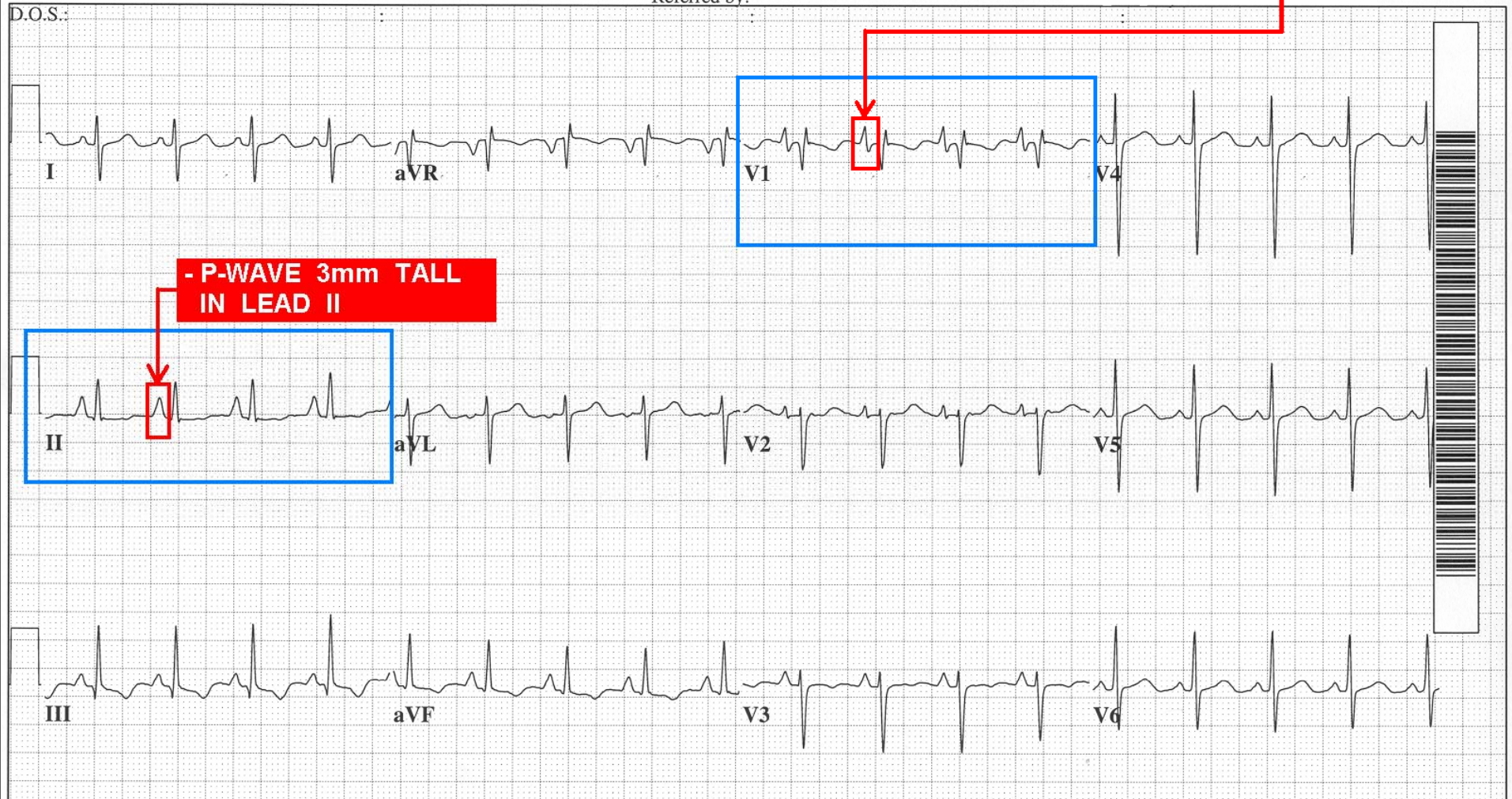
When compared with ECG of 01-OCT-1998 21:45

T wave inversion more evident in Inferior leads ...

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**- POSITIVE DEFLECTION
TALLER (more
dominant) IN LEAD
V1**

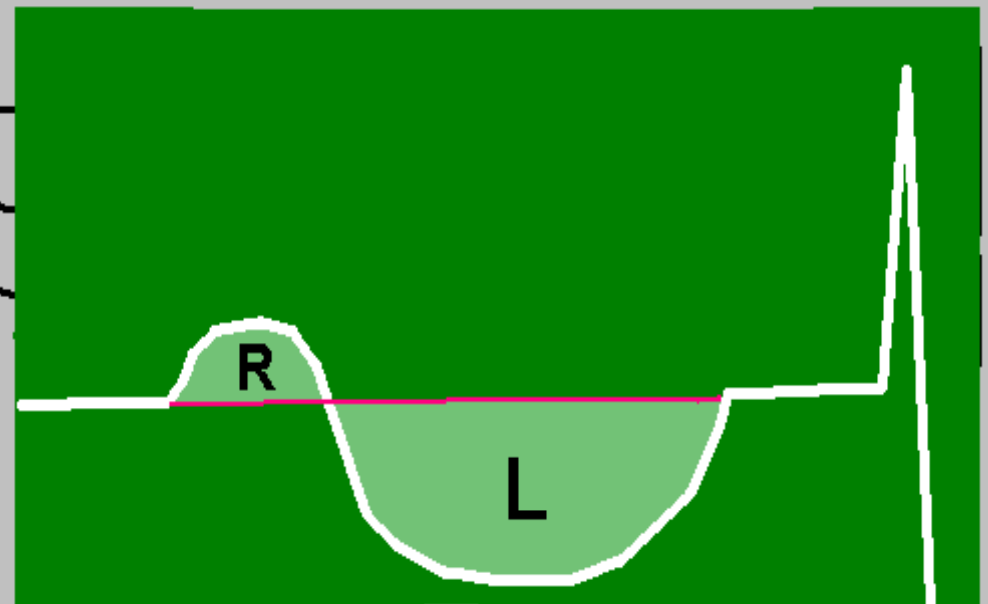


25mm/s 10mm/mV 40Hz 005C 12SL 4 CID: 13

EID:17 EDT: 07:28 02-DEC-1998 ORDER:

LEFT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT

P-WAVE IN V1



77 yr
Male Caucasian
Room:S 1
Loc:3 Option:10

Vent. rate 106 BPM
PR interval 170 ms
QRS duration 104 ms
QT/QTc 374/496 ms
P-R-T axes 67 -66 70

Sinus tachycardia with occasional Premature supraventricular complexes

Left atrial enlargement

Left axis deviation

Incomplete right bundle branch block

Anteroseptal infarct, age undetermined

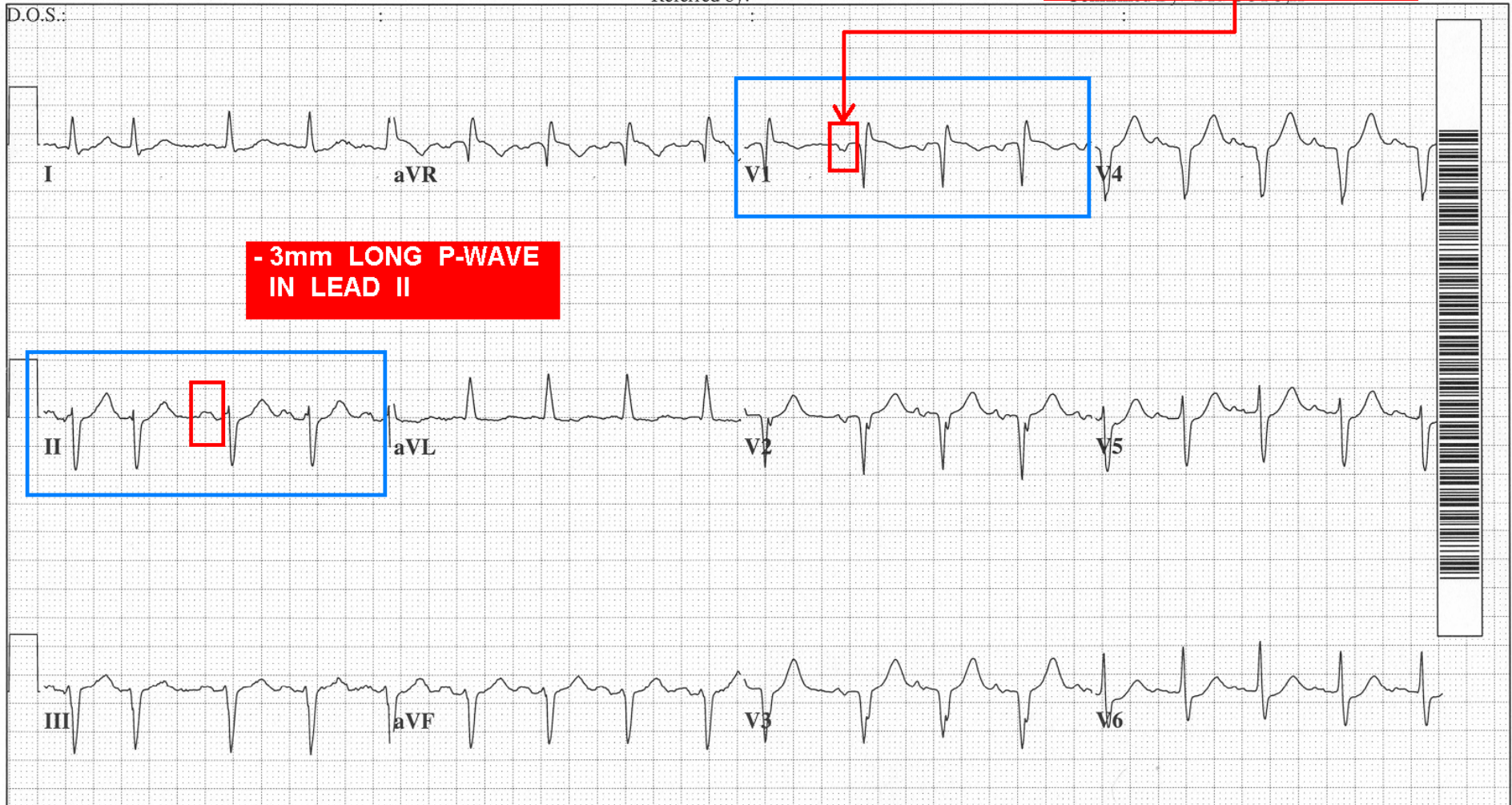
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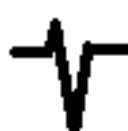
- NEGATIVE DEFLECTION
P-WAVE IN LEAD V1

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CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

VENTRICULAR ENLARGEMENT

	I	V1
NORMAL		
LVH		
RVH		
LVH & RVH		

CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

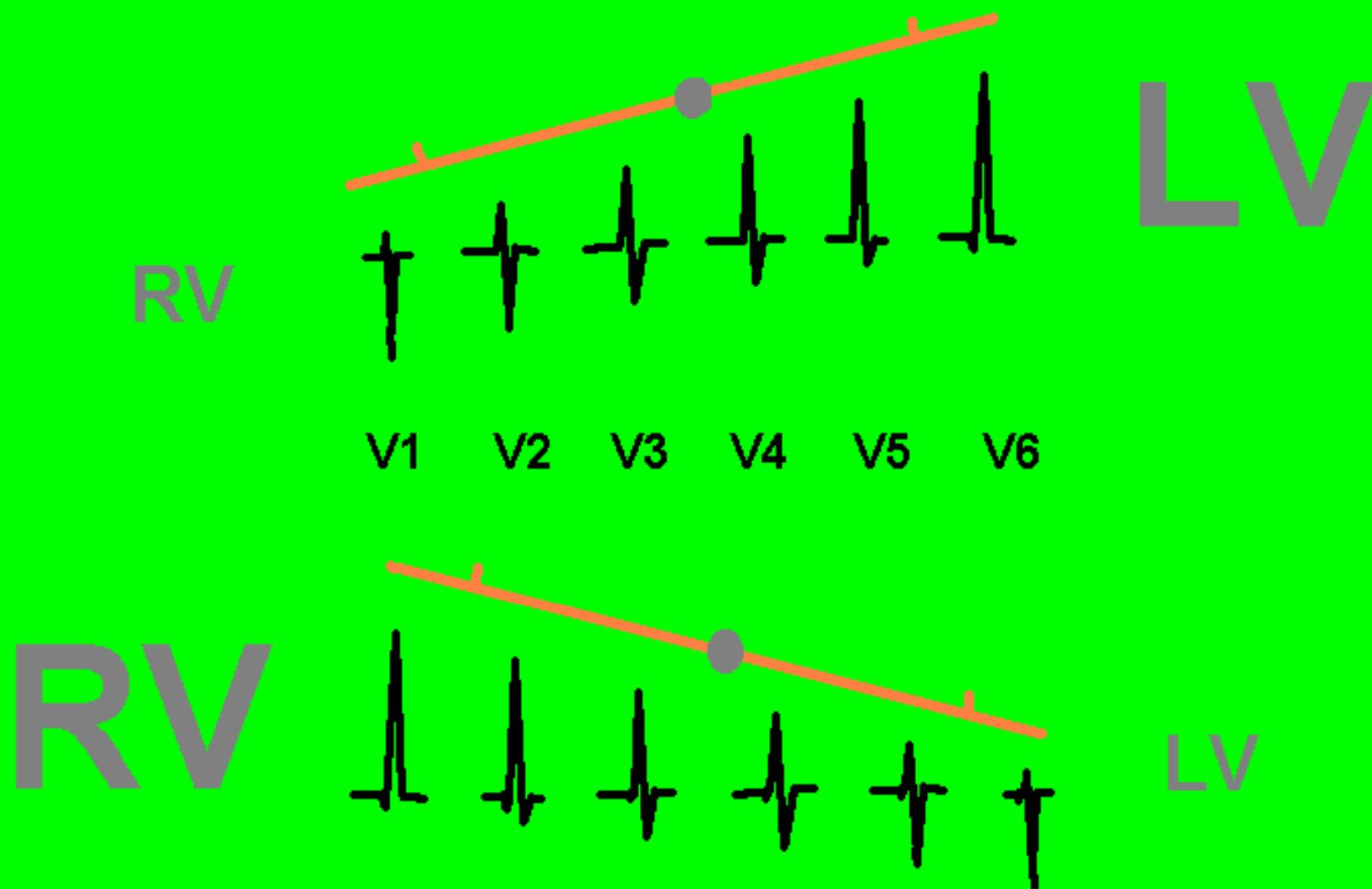
VENTRICULAR ENLARGEMENT

IMPORTANT NOTE !!

ENLARGEMENT OF THE RIGHT OR LEFT VENTRICLE IS FREQUENTLY ACCOMPANIED BY ENLARGEMENT OF THE CORRESPONDING ATRIUM !

- THIS MAY BE A HELPFUL CLUE IN DIAGNOSING THE EKG !

"SEE-SAW EFFECT" of RVH on R WAVE PROGRESSION



14-JUL-1997 14:30:58

ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-ER ROUTINE RETRIEVAL

17 yr
Male Black
Room:ER
Loc:3 Option:16

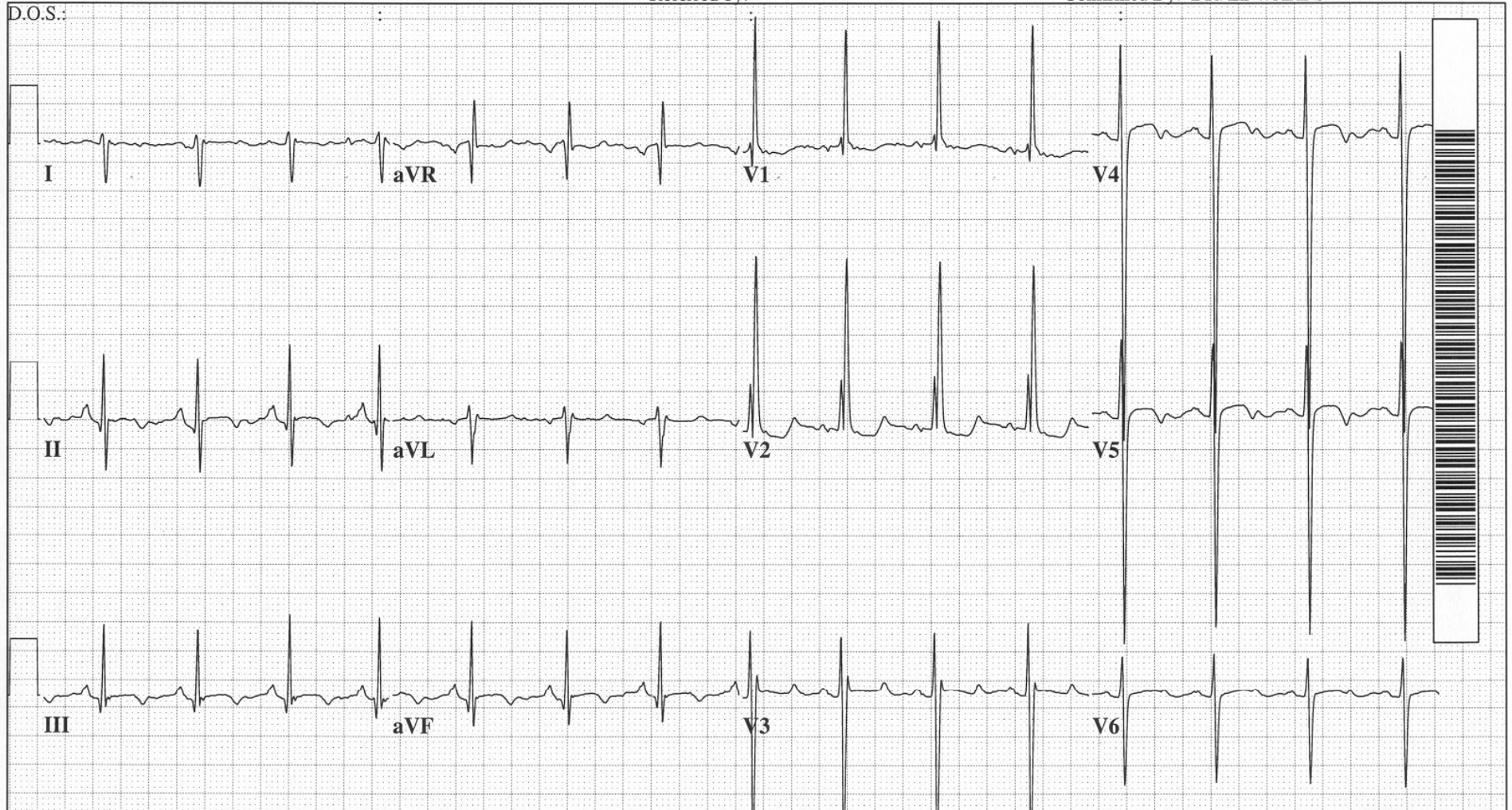
Vent. rate 90 BPM
PR interval 136 ms
QRS duration 94 ms
QT/QTc 378/462 ms
P-R-T axes 77 123 58

Normal sinus rhythm
Right atrial enlargement
Right axis deviation
Incomplete right bundle branch block , plus right ventricular hypertrophy
NORMAL SINUS INFERIOR LATERAL CHANGES
Abnormal ECG

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-ER ROUTINE RETRIEVAL

53 yr
Male CaucasianVent. rate 100 BPM
PR interval 198 ms
QRS duration 186 ms
QT/QTc 380/490 ms
P-R-T axes 79 163 -20Normal sinus rhythm
Left atrial enlargement
Right bundle branch block, plus right ventricular hypertrophy
Left posterior fascicular block
*** Bifascicular block ***

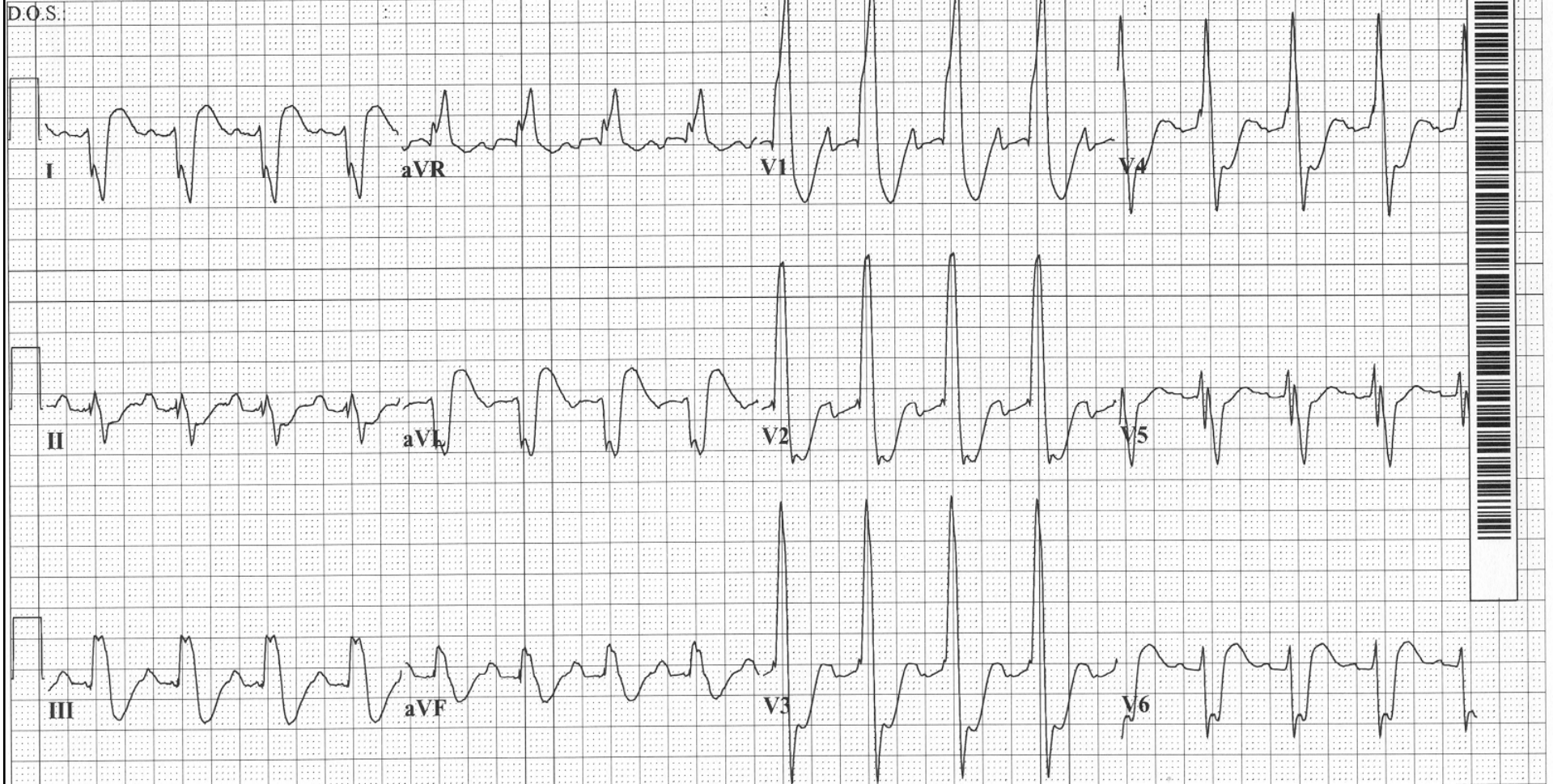
NONSPECIFIC ST CHANGES

Abnormal ECG

When compared with ECG of 21-APR-1996 11:44,
No significant change was found**EKG CLASS #WR03028722**

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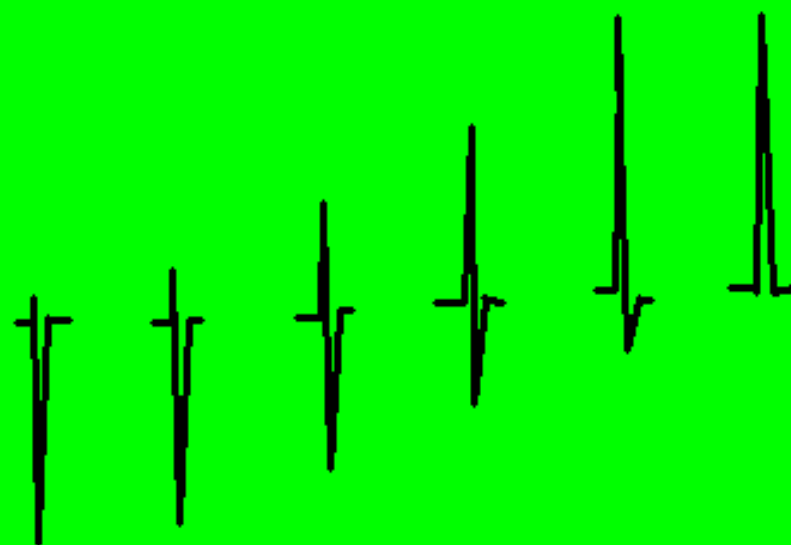
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**"EXAGGERATED" QRS SIZE in V leads
FROM LEFT VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY**



NORMAL



LVH

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ST. JOSEPH'S HOSPITAL-ER 1ST PREVIOUS

53 yr
Male Black
Room:ER
Loc:3 Option:23

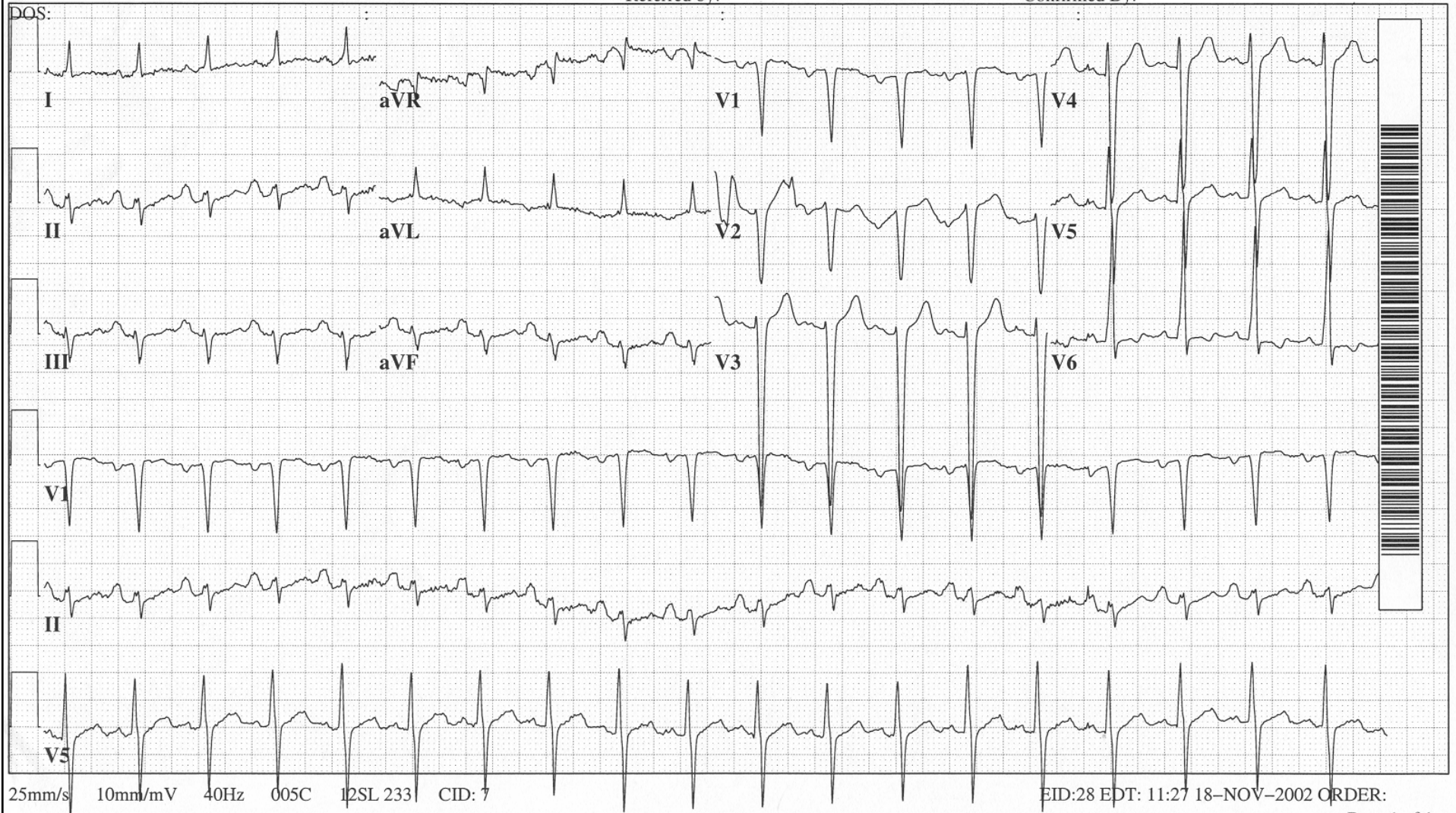
Vent. rate 115 BPM
PR interval 160 ms
QRS duration 92 ms
QT/QTc 316/437 ms
P-R-T axes 76 -39 59

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Sinus tachycardia
Possible Left atrial enlargement
Left axis deviation
Left ventricular hypertrophy
Abnormal ECG
No previous ECGs available

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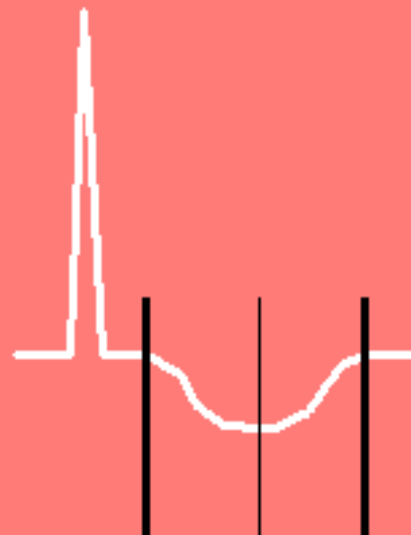


CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

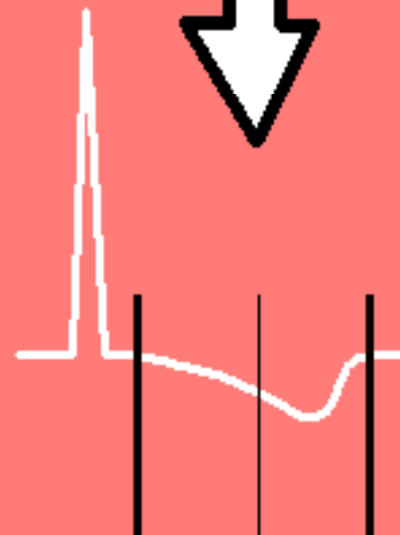
VENTRICULAR STRAIN PATTERNS



**T-WAVES ARE INVERTED
and ASYMMETRICAL**



symmetrical



asymmetrical

CHAMBER ENLARGEMENT

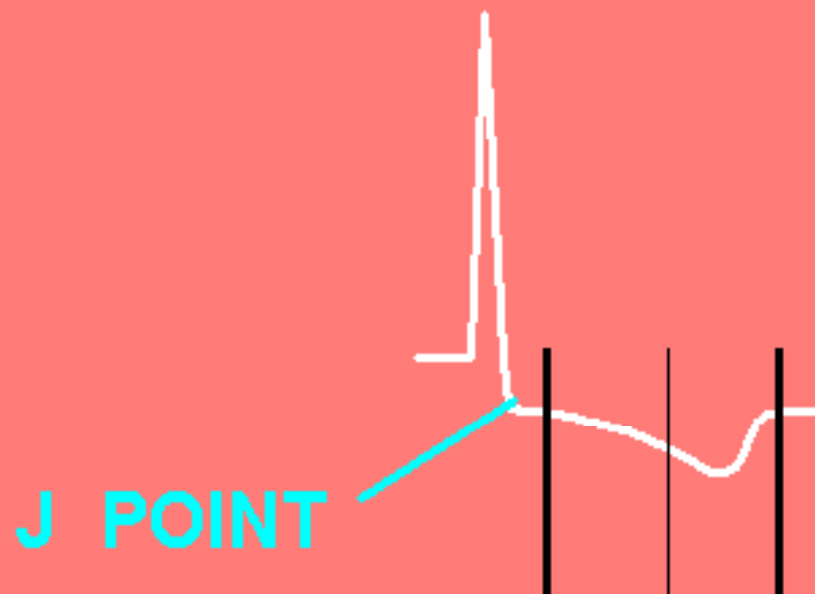
VENTRICULAR STRAIN PATTERNS



**T WAVES ARE INVERTED
AND ASYMMETRICAL**



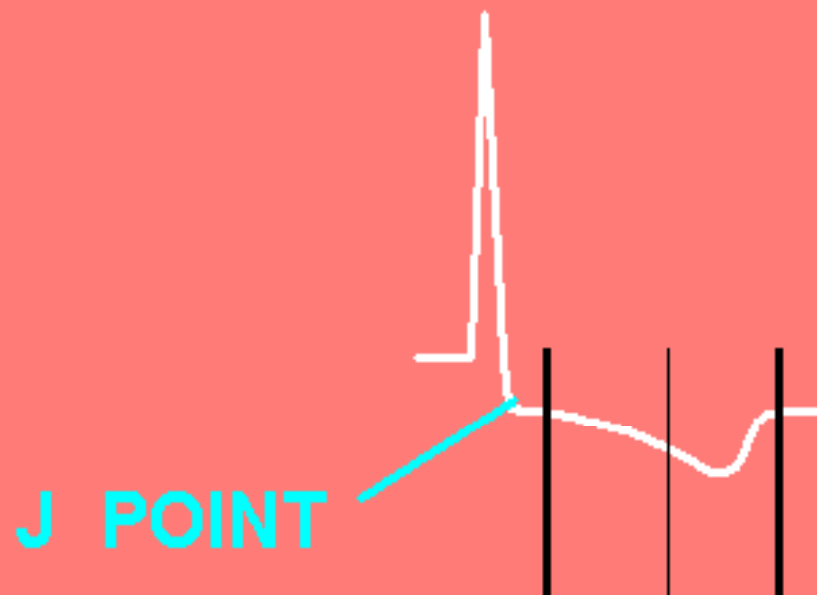
**THERE MAY BE S-T SEGMENT
DEPRESSION**



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VENTRICULAR STRAIN PATTERNS

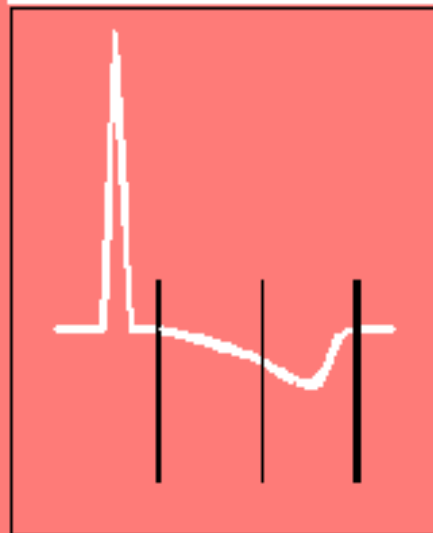
STRAIN PATTERNS ARE INDICATIVE OF
SYSTOLIC OVERLOAD -- THE
VENTRICLES HAVING TO OVERCOME
GREAT FORCE TO EXPEL BLOOD.



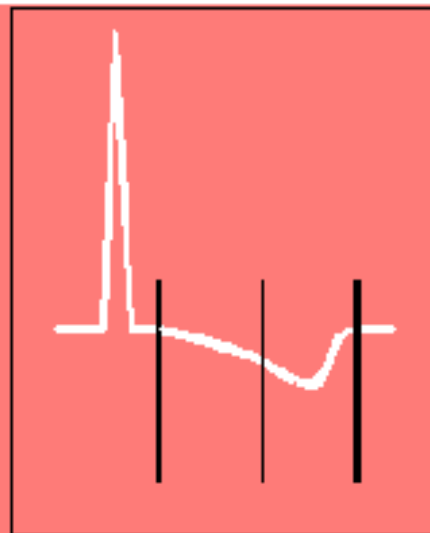
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VENTRICULAR STRAIN PATTERNS

RVH

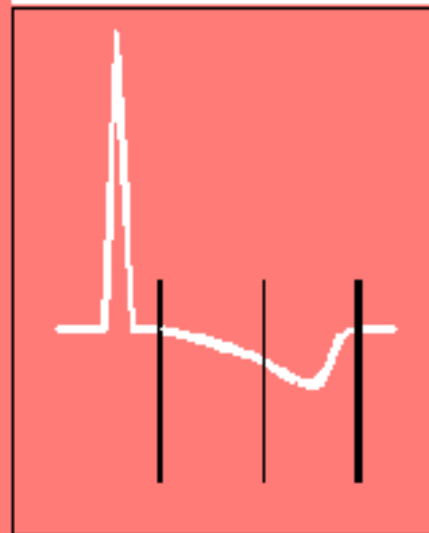


V1

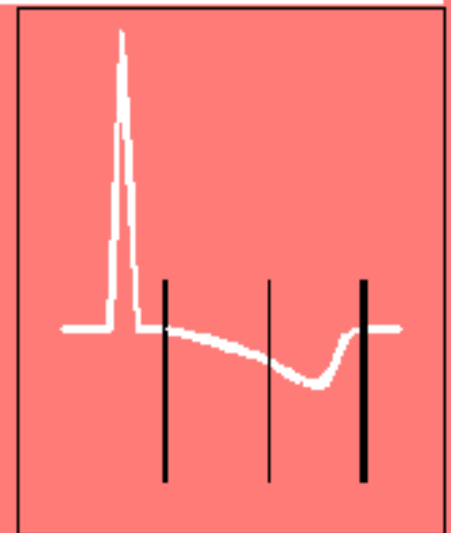


V2

LVH



V5



V6

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VENTRICULAR ENLARGEMENT

I USE SEVERAL TECHNIQUES FOR IDENTIFYING RIGHT AND LEFT VENTRICULAR HYPERTROPHY.

- 1. AXIS OF LEAD I and V1**
- 2. PRESENCE OF ATRIAL HYPERTROPHY**
- 3. R-WAVE PROGRESSION OF V LEADS**
- 4. STRAIN PATTERN OF T WAVES
IN V1 - V2 and V5 - V6**
- 5. MATHEMATICAL FORMULAS**

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*** MATHEMATICAL FORMULAS FOR DETERMINING LVH and RVH**

LVH

- R-WAVE V1 + S-WAVE LEAD III > 25mm
- R-WAVE V5 or V6 > 26mm
- S-WAVE V1 + R-WAVE V5 or V6 > 35mm
- LARGEST R-WAVE + LARGEST S-WAVE in V-LEADS > 45mm

RVH

- R-WAVE V1 + S-WAVE V5 or V6 > 10.5mm
- rSR' in V1 where R' $\geq$ 10mm

*** THIS IS A PARTIAL LIST.**

61 yr
Male Black
Loc:7 Option:35

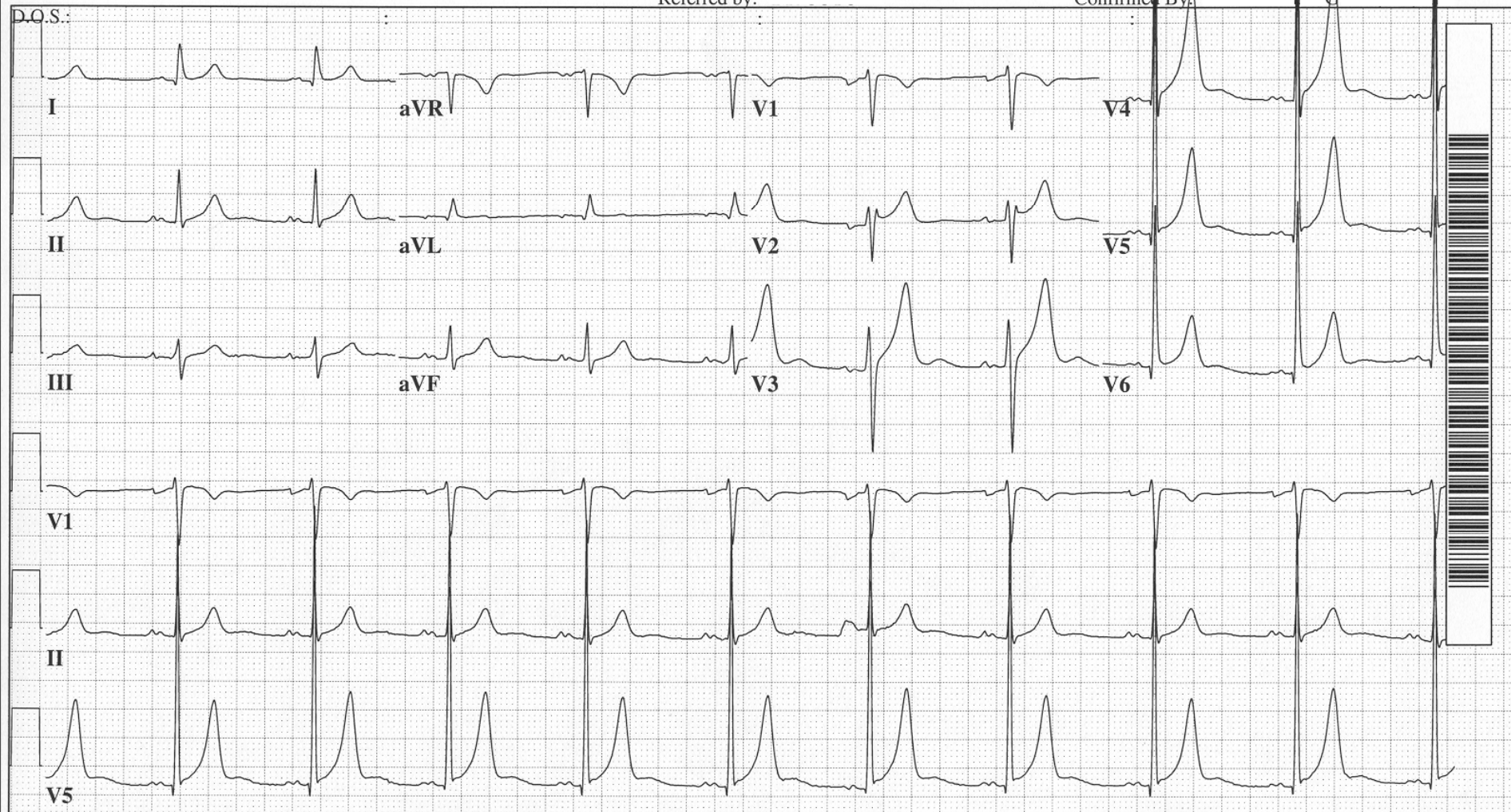
Vent. rate 60 BPM
PR interval 176 ms
QRS duration 90 ms
QT/QTc 400/400 ms
P-R-T axes 62 33 60

Normal sinus rhythm
Voltage criteria for left ventricular hypertrophy
Abnormal ECG
When compared with ECG of 02-SEP-2002 09:00,
Vent. rate has decreased BY 44 BPM

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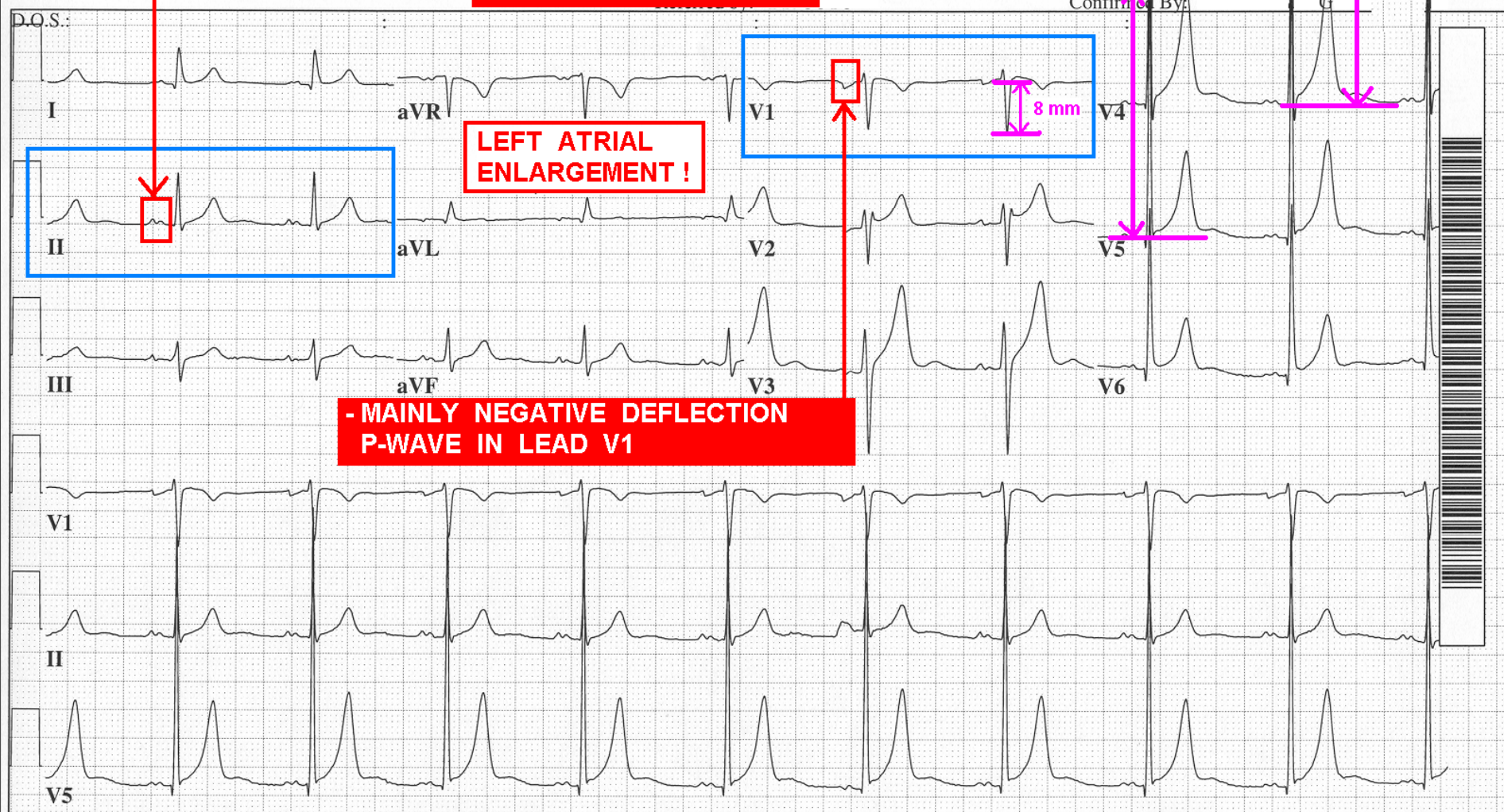
- BIGGEST S-WAVE + R-WAVE IN V-LEADS
> 45mm (57 mm)!!

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- 3mm LONG, "M"
SHAPED P-WAVE IN
LEAD II

LEFT ATRIAL
ENLARGEMENT !

- MAINLY NEGATIVE DEFLECTION
P-WAVE IN LEAD V1



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CASE STUDY 1:

THE EKG COMPUTER MISSED THE LEFT ATRIAL ENLARGEMENT, WHICH IS A KEY FACTOR IN THE DIAGNOSIS OF THE PATIENT'S CONDITION.



WHAT ARE SOME COMMON CAUSES OF LEFT ATRIAL AND LEFT VENTRICULAR ENLARGEMENT ??

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CASE STUDY 1:

**COMMON CAUSES OF LEFT ATRIAL
and LEFT VENTRICULAR ENLARGEMENT:**

- AORTIC VALVE STENOSIS**
- COARCTATION OF THE AORTA**
- MITRAL REGURGITATION**
- SYSTEMIC HYPERTENSION**

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**WHAT ASPECT OF THE PHYSICAL
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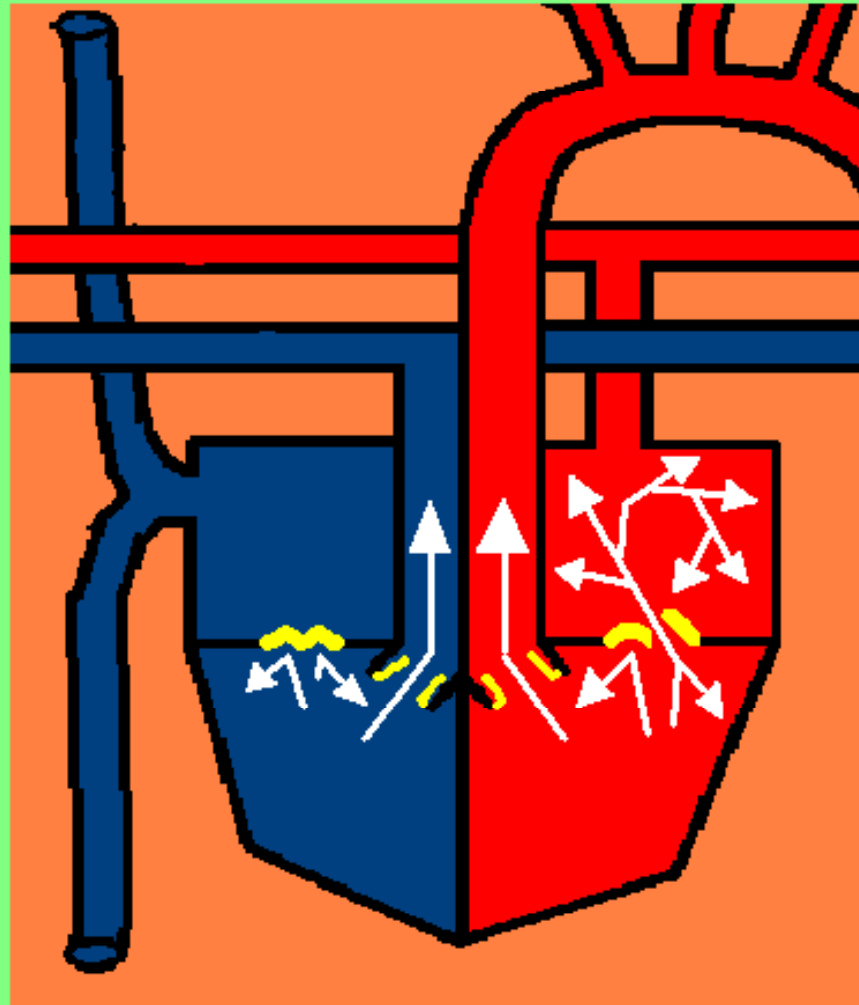
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AUSCULTATION OF HEART SOUNDS . . .

THIS PT. EXHIBITED A PRONOUNCED SYSTOLIC (S-1) MURMUR -- STRONGLY INDICATING MITRAL VALVE REGURGITATION.

CAUSE OF SYSTOLIC (S 1) MURMUR

- ❑ **DAMAGE TO MITRAL and/or TRICUSPID VALVE(s)**
- ❑ **CAUSES REGURGITATION**



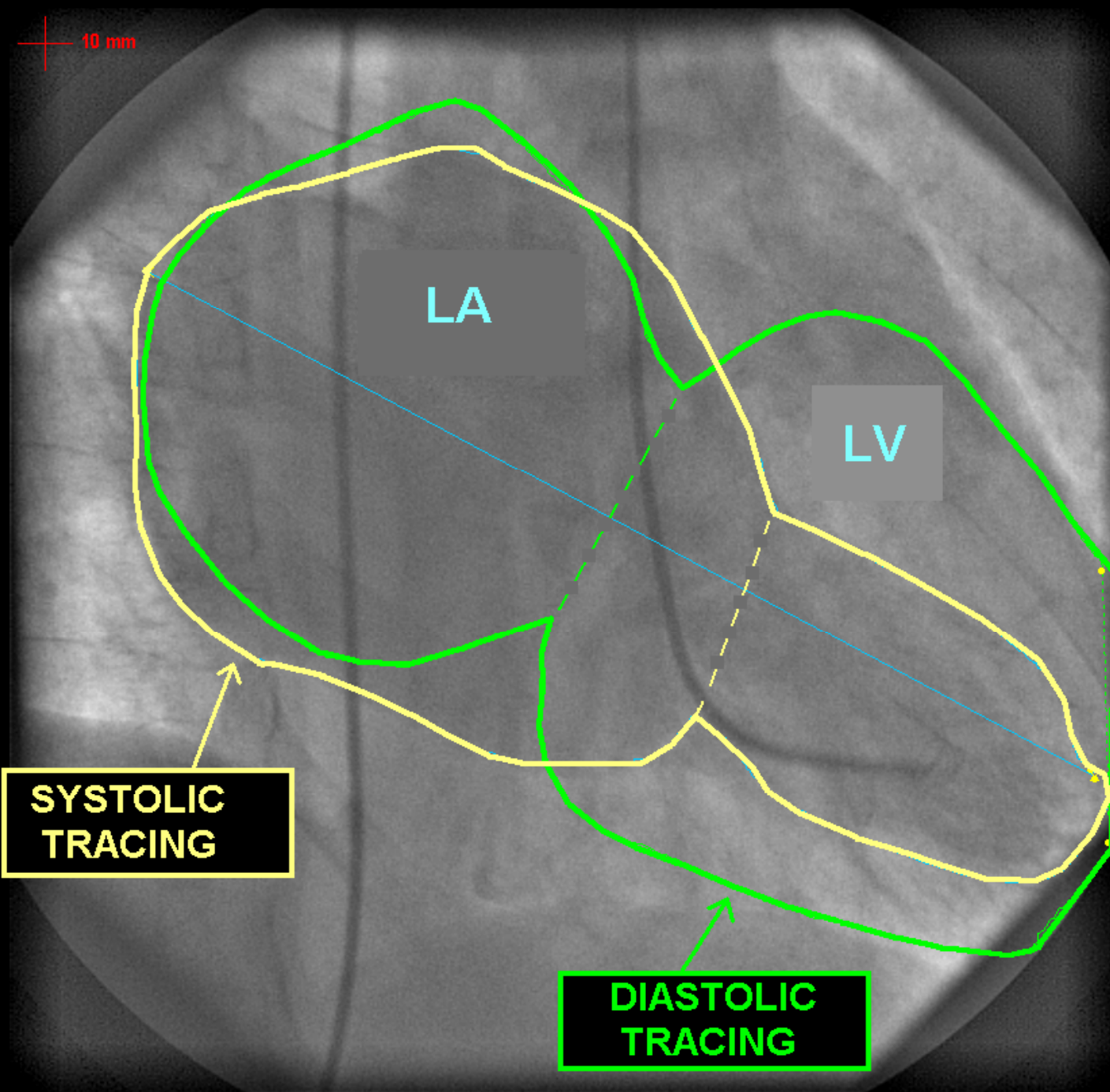
10 mm

LA

LV

SYSTOLIC
TRACING

DIASTOLIC
TRACING



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CASE STUDY 1:

SUMMARY

EKG FINDINGS OF LEFT ATRIAL and VENTRICULAR ENLARGEMENT, COMBINED WITH A PRONOUNCED S-1 HEART MURMUR INDICATE MITRAL REGURGITATION. THE LEFT VENTRICULOGRAM OBTAINED DURING CARDIAC CATHETERIZATION CONFIRM THE DIAGNOSIS. THIS PATIENT WAS SENT FOR A SURGICAL CONSULTATION.

From: 2014 ACC/AHA Guideline on Perioperative Cardiovascular Evaluation and Management of Patients Undergoing Noncardiac Surgery: A Report of the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association Task Force on Practice Guidelines

Valvular Heart Disease

CLASS I Recommendations:

1. It is recommended that patients with clinically suspected moderate or greater degrees of valvular stenosis or regurgitation undergo preoperative echocardiography if there has been either:
 - 1) no prior echocardiography within 1 year or
 - 2) a significant change in clinical status or physical examination since last evaluation (60). (Level of Evidence: C)
2. For adults who meet standard indications for valvular intervention (replacement and repair) on the basis of symptoms and severity of stenosis or regurgitation, valvular intervention before elective noncardiac surgery is effective in reducing perioperative risk (15). (Level of Evidence: C)

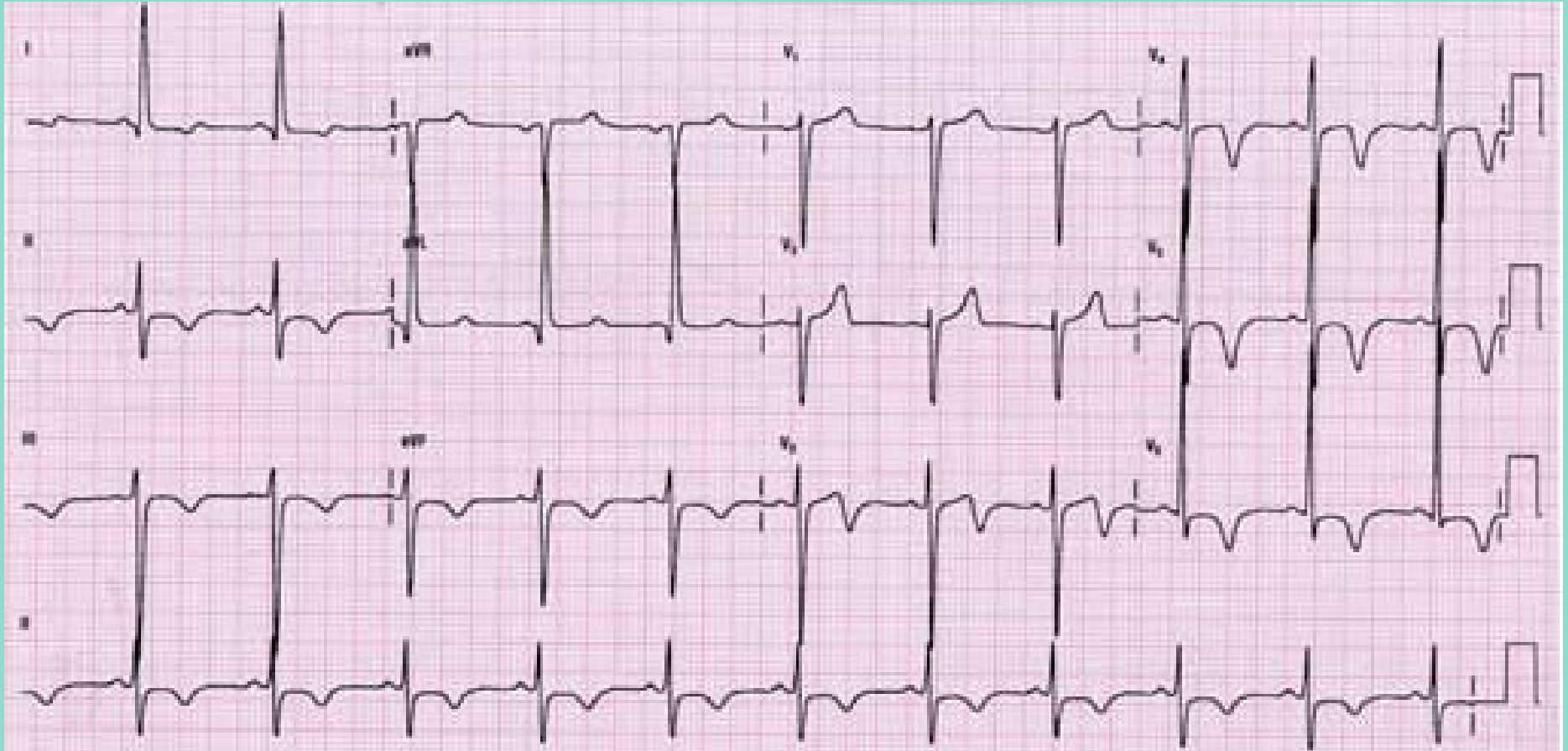
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Aortic Stenosis: Recommendation

CLASS Iia

Elevated-risk elective noncardiac surgery with appropriate intraoperative and postoperative hemodynamic monitoring is reasonable to perform in patients with asymptomatic severe aortic stenosis (AS) (48,75–84). (Level of Evidence: B)

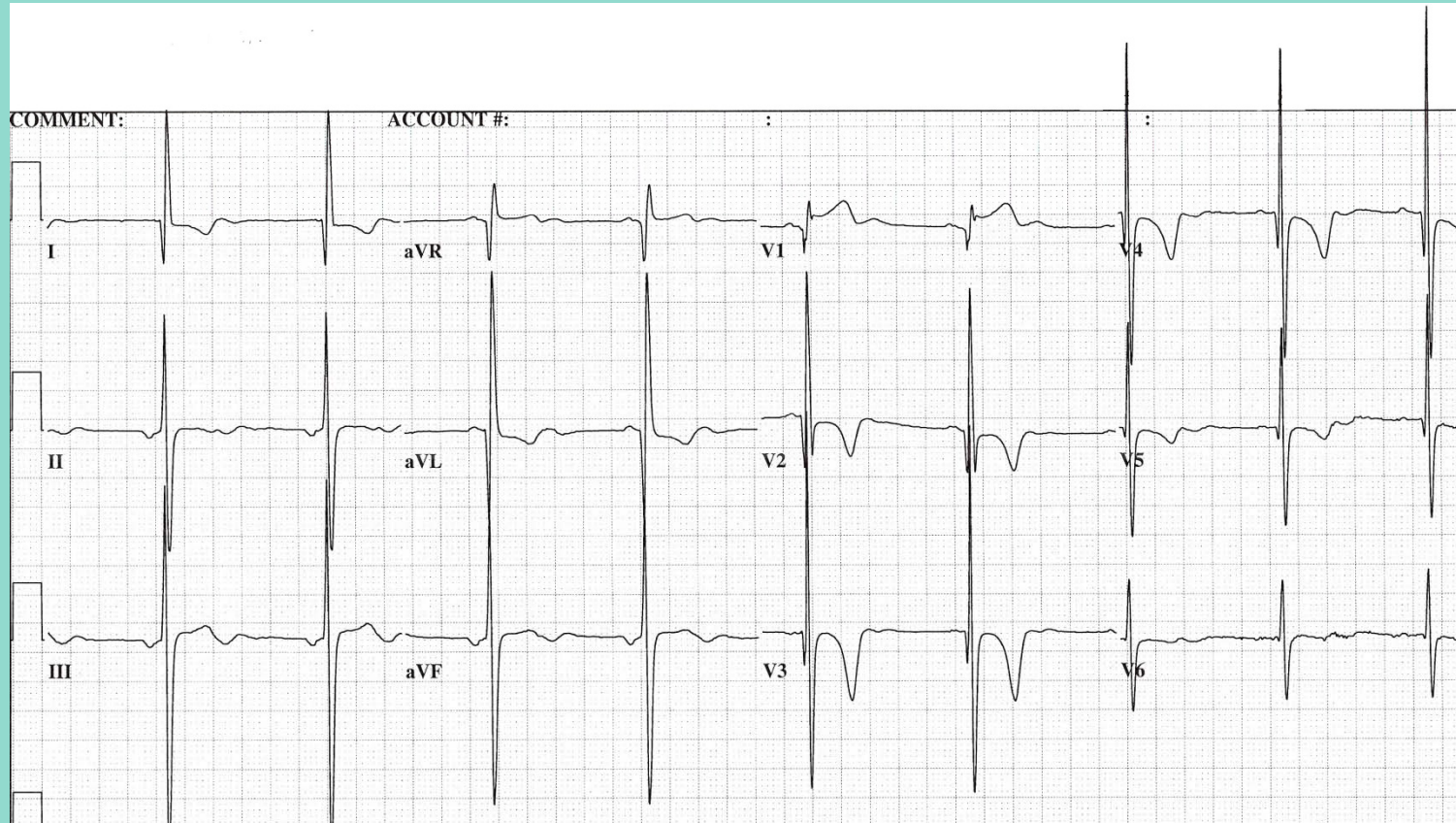
Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (HCM)



12 Lead ECG Traits:

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- Inverted T waves appear in multiple regions (INFERIOR, ANTERIOR, LATERAL)
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Typical 12 Lead ECG Indicators Suggestive of HCM:

LVH

Inverted T waves (predom V4-V6, II, aVF, I, L)

ST Depression / Strain pattern

Q waves

Left Axis Dev

LAE

Over 90% of patients with HCM will have an abnormal ECG.^[19–21] ECG abnormalities include T wave inversion (TWI), ST segment depression, pathological Q waves, conduction delay, left-axis deviation (LAD) and left atrial enlargement (LAE).

In a patient with KNOWN Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy, OR a patient with NO PREVIOUS DIAGNOSIS OF HCM who presents with an ECG like the one on the previous slide, what DIAGNOSIS of HCM

. WHAT DIAGNOSTIC TEST would be most appropriate to order next ? ? ?

(HINT....we want to assess Left Ventricular function !)

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HYPERTROPHIC CARDIOMYOPATHY (HCM) MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS:

Decreased systemic vascular resistance (arterial vasodilators), volume loss, or reduction in preload or LV filling may increase the degree of dynamic obstruction and further decrease diastolic filling and cardiac output, with potentially untoward results.

Over diuresis should be avoided, and inotropic agents are usually not used in these patients because of increased LV outflow gradient. Studies have reported mixed results for perioperative risk in patients with hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy.

Patients with HCM are at significant risk for cardiac complications during surgery and anesthesia. Although studies looking specifically at the pediatric population are lacking, one study of adults with HCM undergoing surgery and anesthesia found a 40% risk of experiencing at least one adverse cardiac event. Anesthetic management focuses on maintaining preload and afterload, avoiding increases in contractility and avoiding tachycardia. Ideally patients with HCM should be well hydrated prior to the induction of anesthesia. Agents that maintain afterload without a significant increase in contractility or heart rate are preferable for both induction and maintenance of anesthesia. Appropriate intra-operative monitoring and a postoperative care plan are dependent on the procedure and the severity of HCM.

“Anesthetic Management of Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy and Challenges in the MRI Suite,” Emory University School of Medicine, Children’s Healthcare of Atlanta



***My top two reasons for giving everything in life the best I have to offer.
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