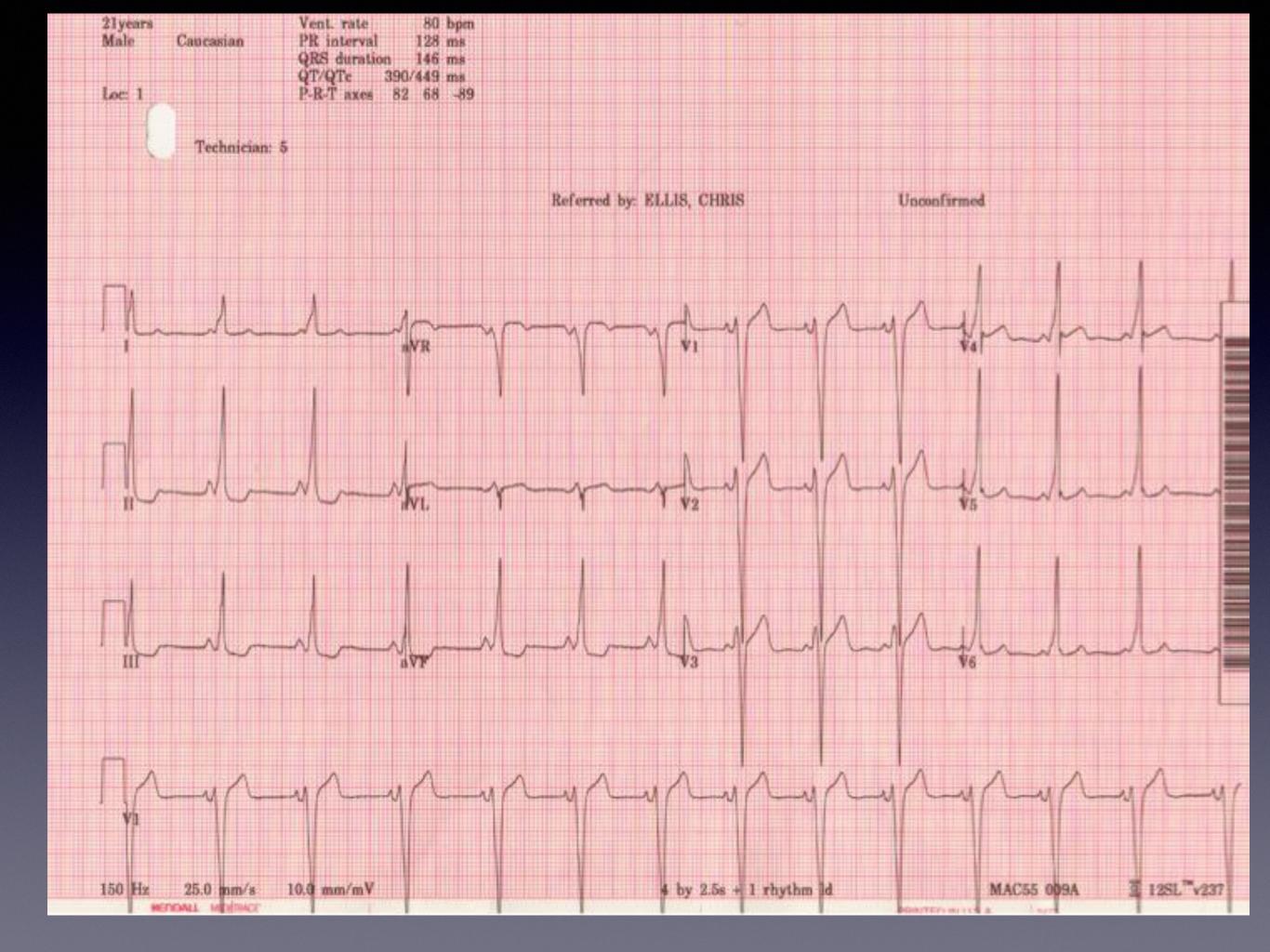
# ECG SYNDROMES

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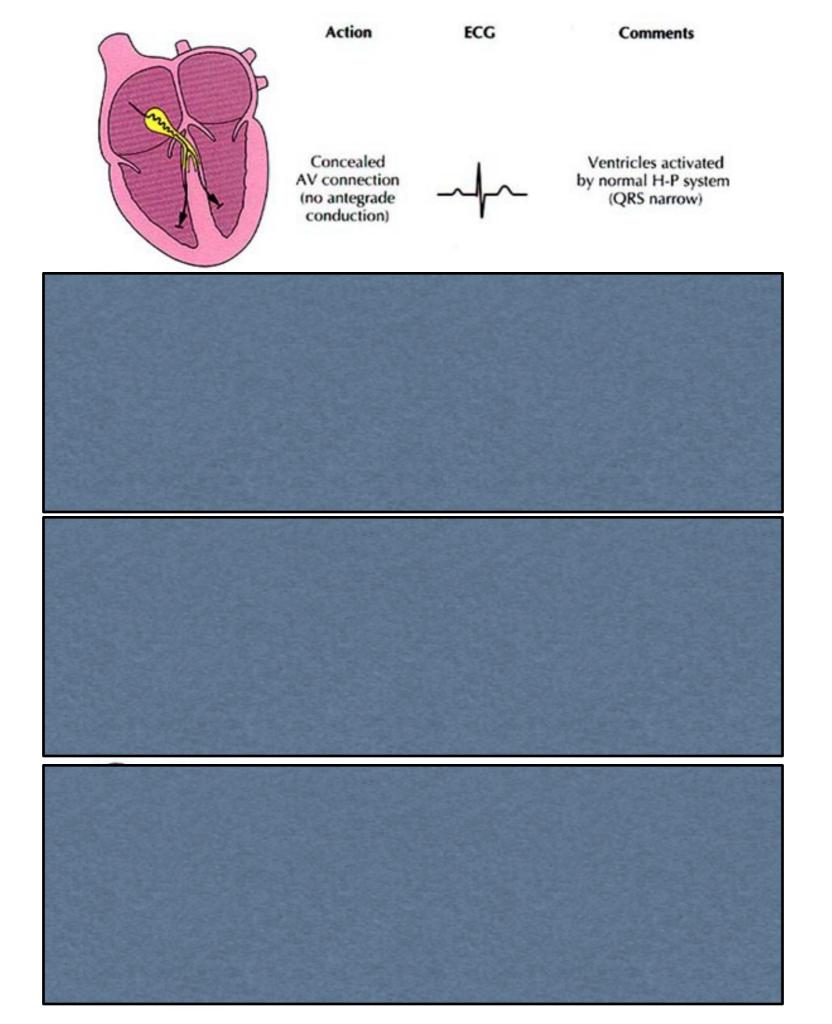


## Wolff-White-Parkinson

- Wide QRS
  - not due to a delay in depolarization
  - due to an early depolarization
- Shortened PR interval
- Upstroke QRS complex is slurred; delta wave

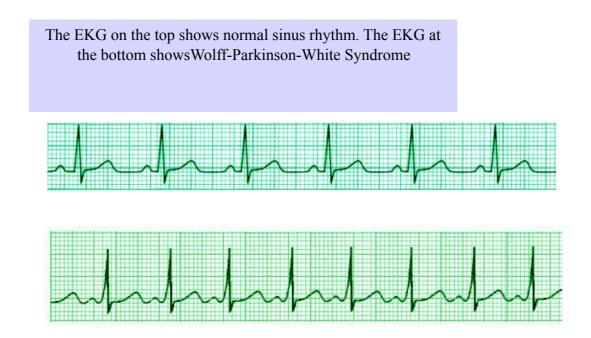
# Atrioventricular Bypass Tract

- Accessory pathways form and fail to disappear during fetal development
- Formed near the mitral or tricuspid valves or interventricular septum
- An AV bypass tract is sometimes referred to as the bundle of Kent



#### **Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome**

Normally, the AV node is the only conduction pathway for impulses from the atria to the ventricles. Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome is characterized by the presence of an accessory atrioventicular pathway located between the wall of the right or left atria and the ventricles, known as the Bundle of Kent. This pathway allows the impulse to bypass the AV node and activate the ventricles prematurely. Consequently, an initial slur to the QRS complex, known as a delta wave may be observed. The QRS complexes are wide, more than 0.11 sec, indicating that the impulse did not travel through the normal conducting system. The PR is shortened, to less than 0.12 sec, because the delay at the AV node is bypassed.



The accessory pathway can cause a reentry circuit to be established. Reentry is initiated by a premature atrial or ventricular beat coupled with a unidirectional block in one of the pathways (because the normal impulse gets to pathway when it is refractory after the premature beat). The result is a continuous impulse conduction. Reentry causes two kinds of tachycardia.

- 1. Orthodromic AV reentrant tachycardia which occurs when the impulse is conducted through the AV node with retrograde return to the atria via the Bundle of Kent. The heart rate is usually 140-250 BPM. The QRS complexes are narrow and delta waves are not observed.
- 2. Antidromic AV reentrant tachycardia which occurs when the impulse is conducted through the Bundle of Kent with retrograde return to the atria via the AV node. The QRS complexes are wide.

Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome is commonly associated with congenital heart abnormalities like Tetrology of Fallot, coarctation of the aorta, tricuspid atresia and transposition of the great vessels. In severe cases, treatment would involve surgical removal or ablation of one of the pathways.

## WPW

In 1930, Louis Wolff, Sir John Parkinson, and Paul Dudley White published article describing 11 patients

Attacks of tachycardia associated with a sinus rhythm electrocardiographic (ECG) pattern of bundle branch block with a short PR interval

Subsequently termed the Wolff-Parkinson-White (WPW) syndrome

Earlier isolated case reports describing similar patients had been published.

In 1943, the ECG features of preexcitation were correlated with anatomic evidence for the existence of anomalous bundles of conducting tissue that bypassed all or part of the normal atrioventricular (AV) conduction system

## Genetics of WPW

In most cases, the cause of Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome is unknown.

A small percentage of all cases are caused by mutations in the <u>PRKAG2</u> gene. <u>PRKAG2</u> (protein kinase AMP-activated non-catalytic subunit gamma 2)

Some people with these mutations also have features of hypertrophic cardiomyopathy

The *PRKAG2* gene provides instructions for making a protein that is part of an enzyme called AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK).

This enzyme helps sense and respond to energy demands within cells. It is likely involved in the development of the heart before birth, although its role in this process is unclear.

### Genetics of WPW

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#### PRKAG2 mutation: An easily missed cardiac specific non-lysosomal glycogenosis

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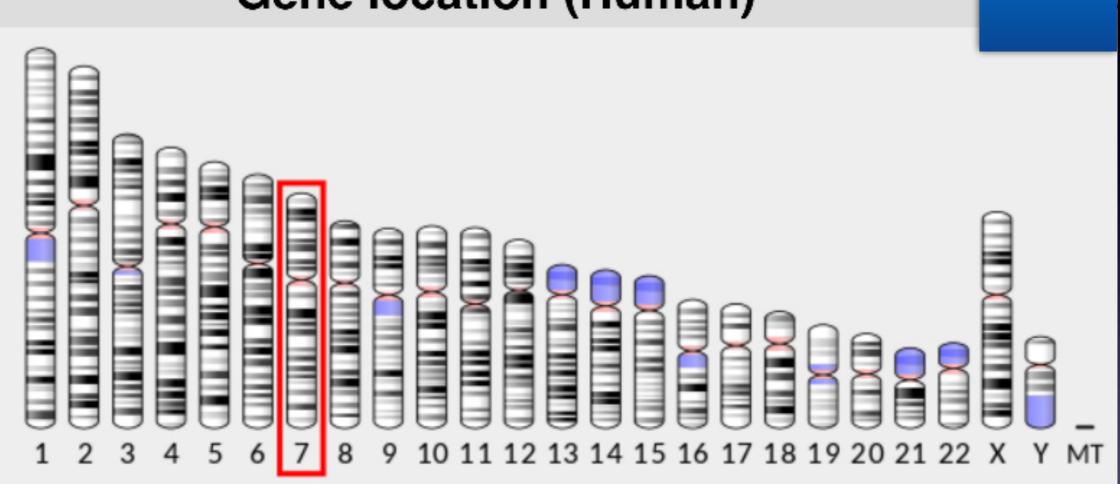
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#### Abstract

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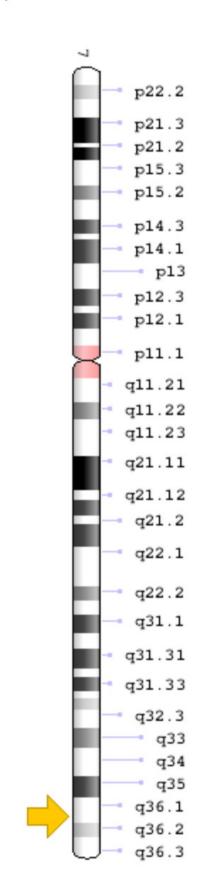
Mutations in PRKAG2 gene that regulates the  $\gamma$ 2 subunit of the adenosine monophosphate (AMP) dependent protein kinase have been associated with the development of atrioventricular (AV) accessory pathways, cardiac hypertrophy, and conduction system abnormalities. These patients can potentially be misdiagnosed as hypertrophic cardiomyopathy (HOCM) and/or Wolf-Parkinson White (WPW) syndrome due to similar clinical phenotype. Early recognition of this disease entity is very important as ablation of suspected accessory pathways is not effective and the natural history of the disease is very different from HOCM and WPW syndrome.



#### **Gene location (Human)**

Cytogenetic Location: 7q36.1, which is the long (q) arm of <u>chromosome 7</u> at position 36.1

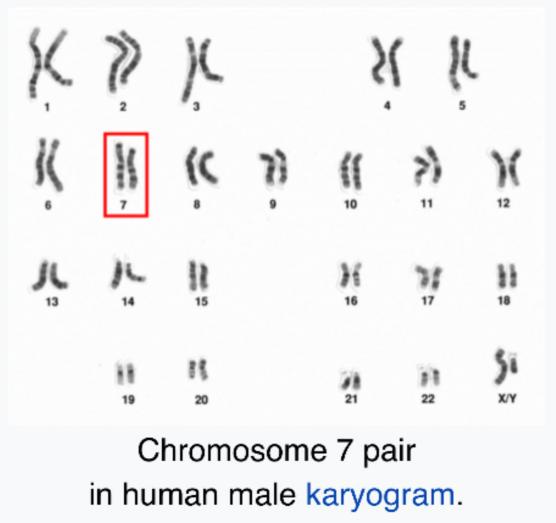
Molecular Location: base pairs 151,556,114 to 151,877,231 on chromosome 7 (Homo sapiens Annotation Release 108, GRCh38.p7) (NCBI)



#### **Chromosome 7**



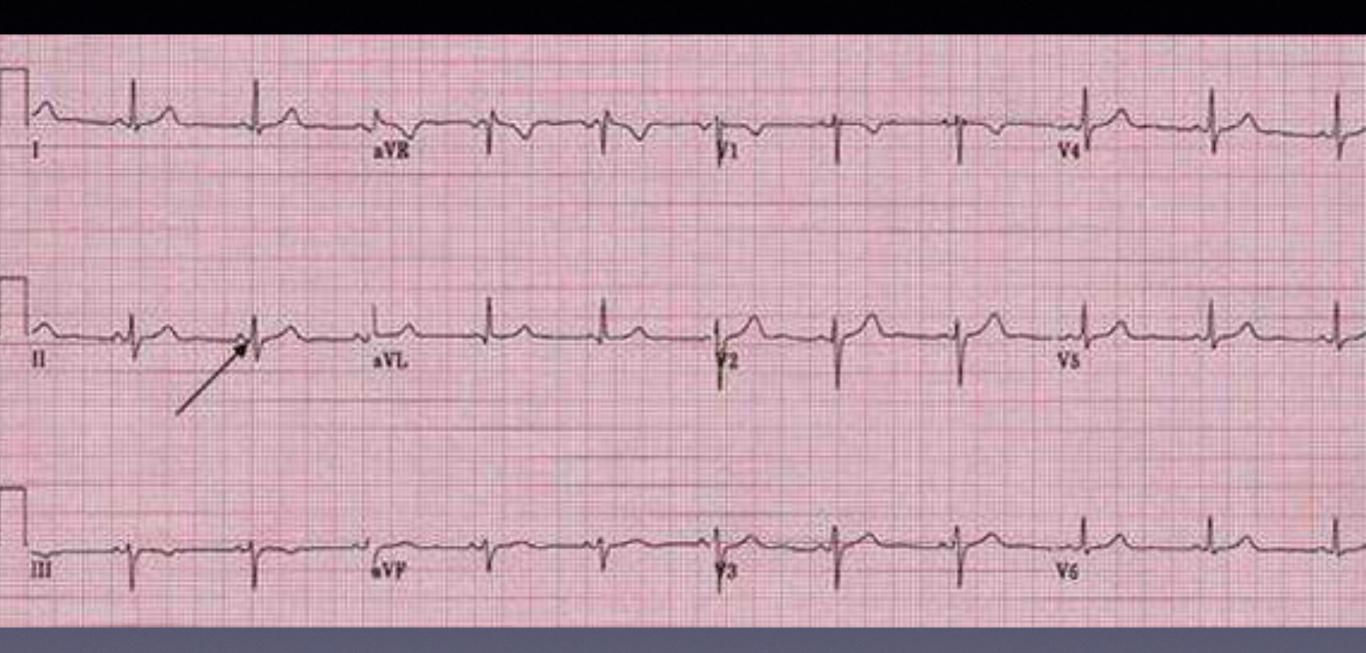
Human chromosome 7 pair after G-banding. One is from mother, one is from father.



Note the mtDNA row - this represents the small amount of DNA found in the mitochondria 2.

Chromosome ÷	Length (mm) <sup>\$</sup>	Base pairs ÷
1	85	249,250,621
2	83	243,199,373
3	67	198,022,430
4	65	191,154,276
5	62	180,915,260
6	58	171,115,067
7	54	159, <b>1</b> 38,663
8	50	146,364,022
9	48	141,213,431
10	46	135,534,747
11	46	135,006,516
12	45	133,851,895
13	39	115,169,878
14	36	107,349,540
15	35	102,531,392
16	31	90,354,753
17	28	81,195,210
18	27	78,077,248
19	20	59,128,983
20	21	63,025,520
21	16	48,129,895
22	17	51,304,566
Х	53	155,270,560
Y	20	59,373,566
mtDNA	0.0054	16.569

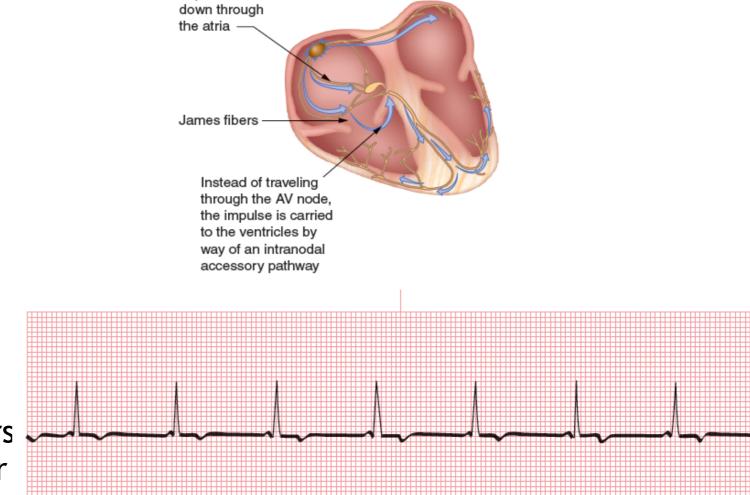
Syndrome	Pathology	ECG	Clinical Significance	Images / References
Wolff-	Pre-excitation	Short PR interval;	Risk of Atrial arrhythmias	
Parkinson	syndrome.Re-entrant	Prolonged QRS and slurred	being transmitted	t-h-h-h
White	bundle of AV tissue distant	upstroke of QRS complex	abherrantly causing VF or	
	to AV node.	(Delta wave)."Type A"	VT.Requires ablation of	V2
		shows positive QRS in V1	pathway <mark>Clinical Case</mark>	- mont
		(LV accessory). Upright	WPW 001	
		positive delta wave in all		Conditioned
		precordial leads with a		
		resultant R greater than S		
		amplitude in lead V1"Type		
		B" shows negative QRS in		
		V1(RV accessory).		shalahahahahahaha
		Predominantly negative		
		delta wave and QRS		
		complex in leads V1 and		
		V2 and becomes positive		
		in transition to the lateral		
		leads resembling LBBB.		



## Preexcitation

Impulse travels

- Another type of preexcitation is Lown-Ganong-Levine (LGL) Syndrome
- In LGL syndrome, the accessory pathway, referred to as the James fibers, is within the AV node
- This accessory pathway bypasses the normal delay within the AV node but ventricular conduction occurs through the usual ventricular conduction pathways





# LGL

In 1938, Clerc, Levy, and Critesco first described the occurrence of frequent paroxysms of tachycardia in patients with a short PR interval and normal QRS duration

This syndrome was again described in 1952 by Lown, Ganong

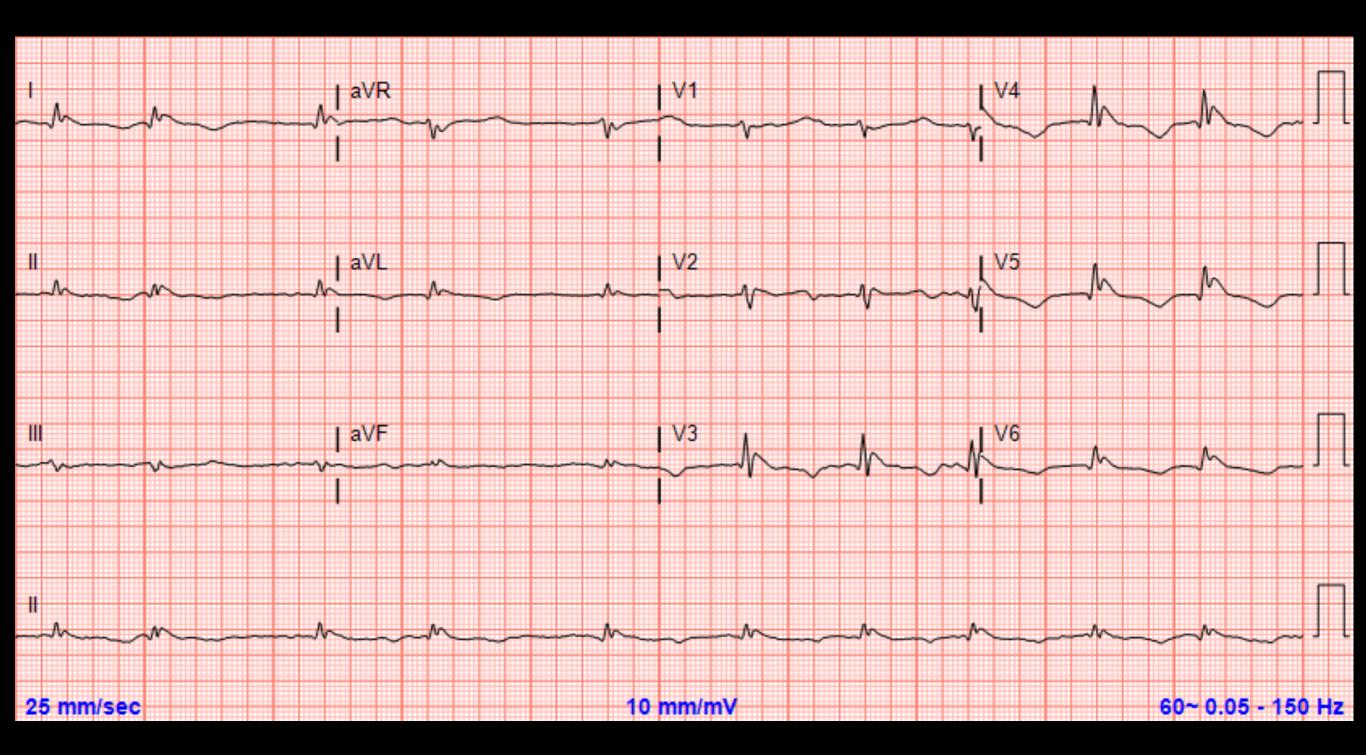
In 1946, Burch and Kimball proposed that an atrio-Hisian (AH) pathway might explain the findings of the syndrome, although no such pathway had yet been identified anatomically. [4]

In 1961, James described fibers that originate in the low atrium and terminate low in the AV node. [5]

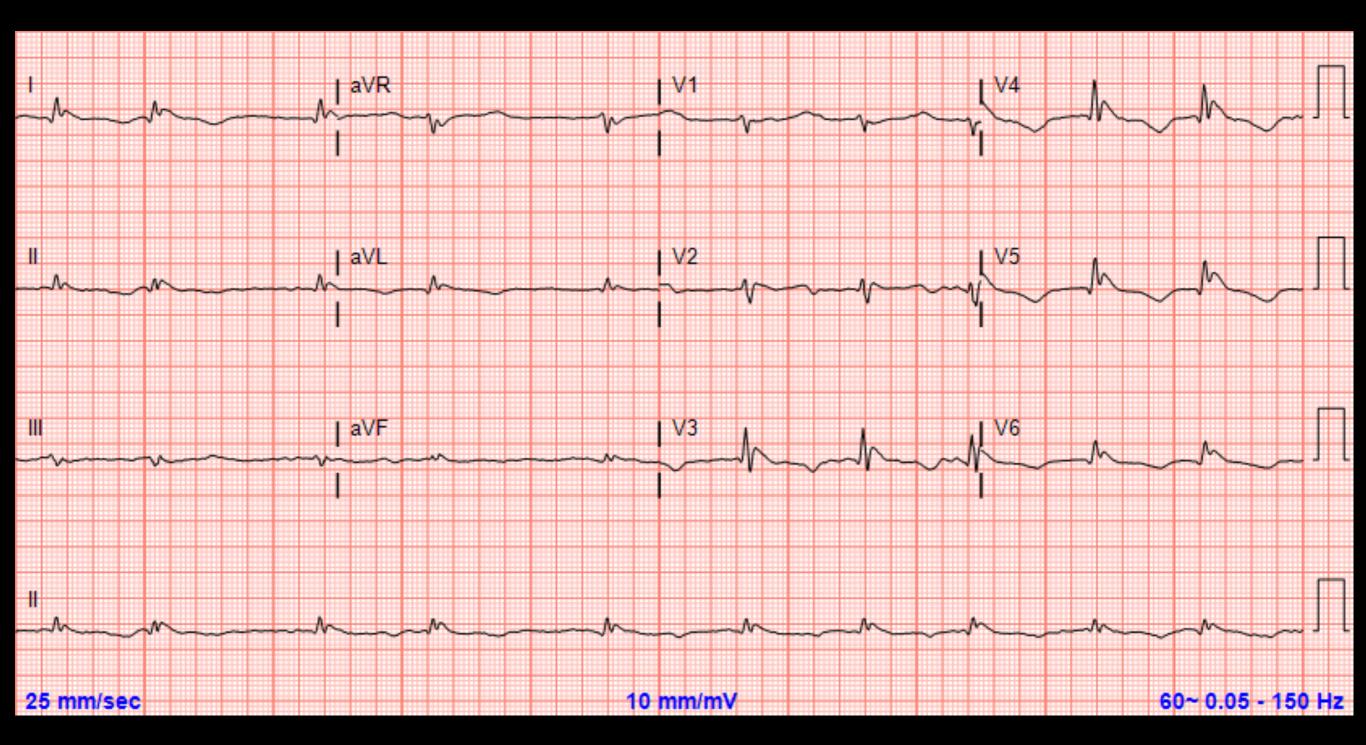
Brechenmacher et al reported anatomic findings of an AH bundle in 1974. [6]

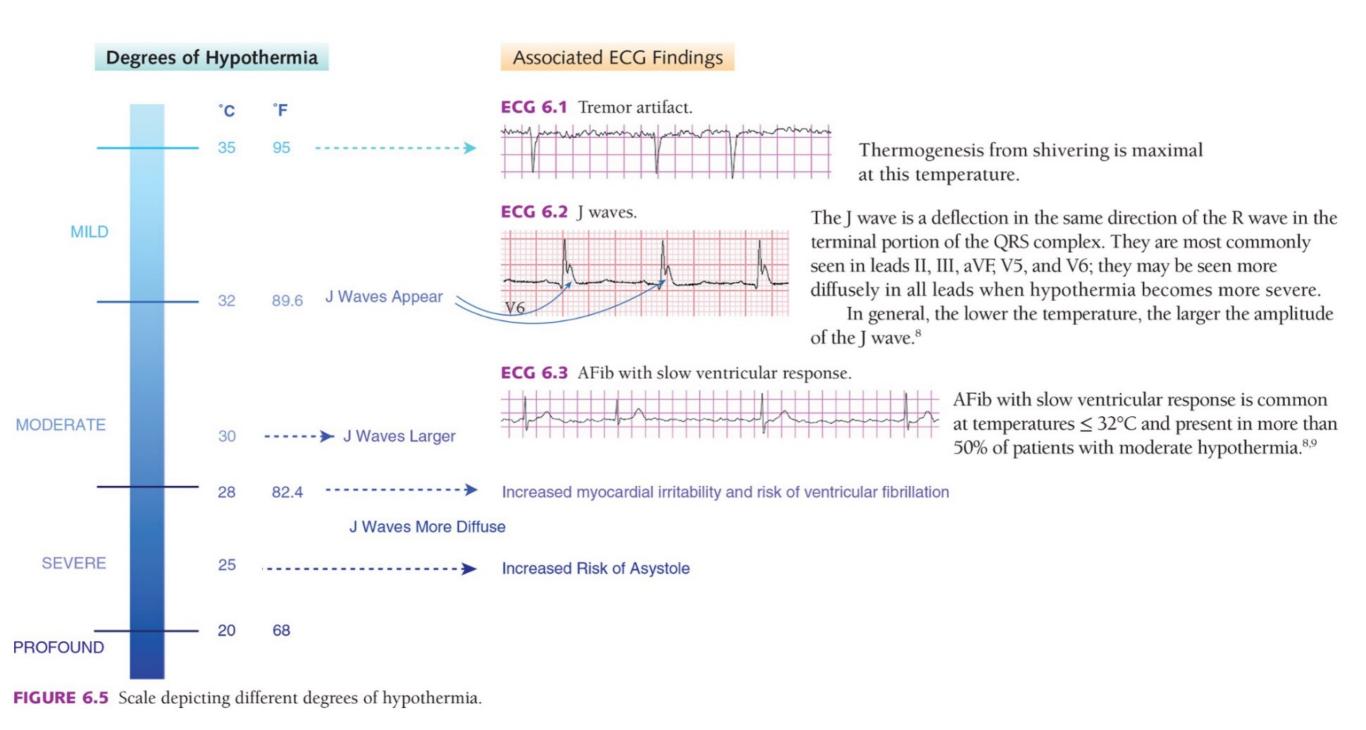
Subsequent investigations into the origin of LGL have largely involved invasive electrophysiologic studies that have sought to identify structural and functional anomalies that might explain the findings of LGL. [7, 8]

Syndrome	Pathology	ECG	Clinical Significance	Images / References
Lown-	Pre- excitation	Accessory pathway is	Risk of AF being	
Ganong-	syndromeRe-entrant	down James fibres.No	transmitted abherrantly	halad
Levine	bundle of AV tissue close	Delta wave as conduction	causing VF or VT.Requires	
	to AV node .	normal down Bundle of His	ablation of pathway as	
			WPW	



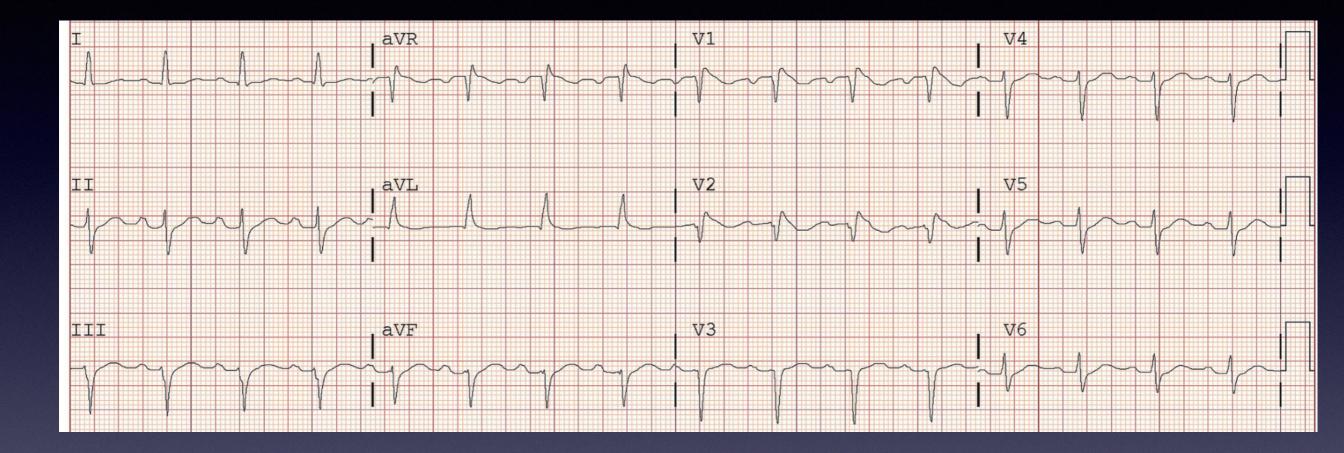
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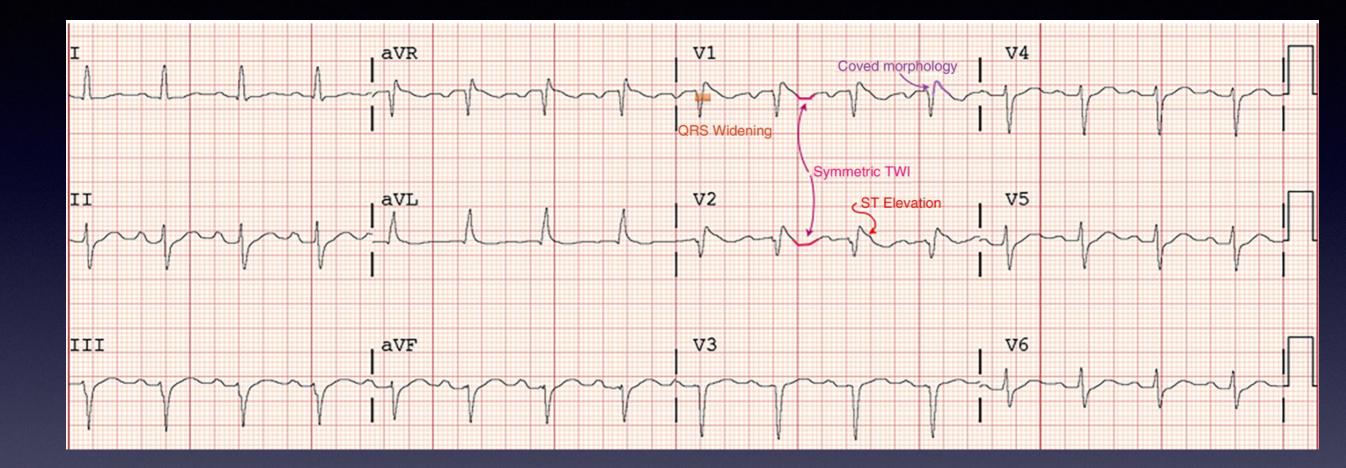




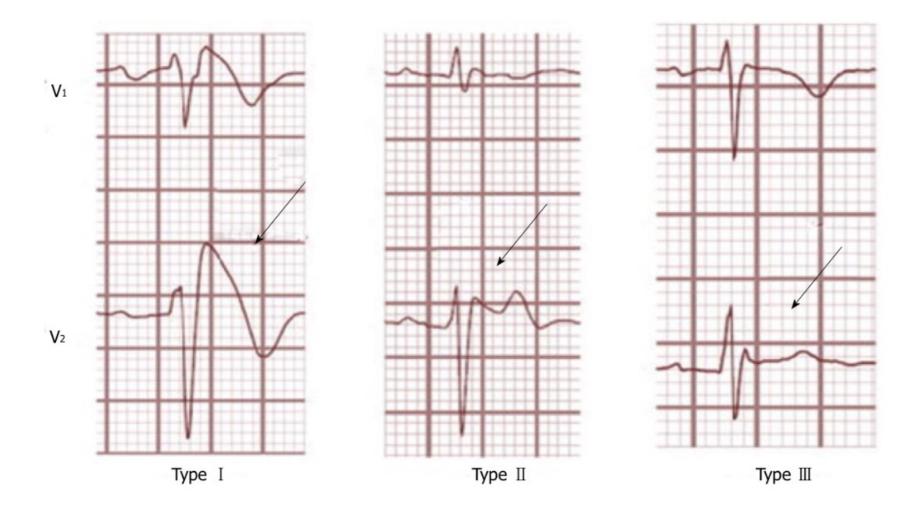
#### **Conditions with predominant J-waves**

Hypothermia Hypercalcaemia Hyperkalaemia Vasospastic angina Brugada syndrome Early repolarization syndrome Short QT syndrome Hypoxia Acidosis Pulmonary embolism Arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy Subarachnoid haemorrhage





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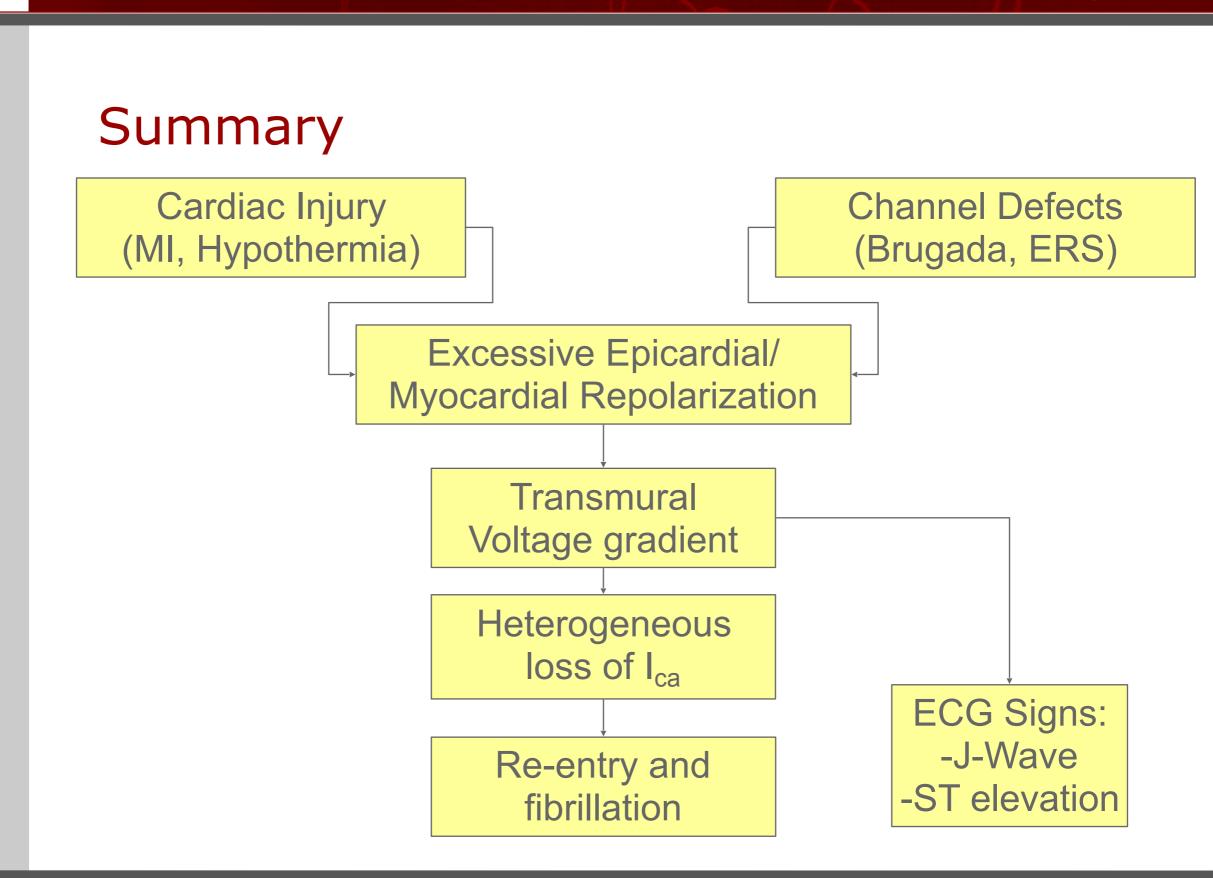


**Figure 5 Brugada electrocardiogram-types.** Type-1 is characterized by a complete or incomplete right bundle-branch block pattern with a coved morphology ST-segment elevation of  $\ge 2$  mm in the right precordial leads (V1-V3) followed by a negative T-wave. In type-2, ST-segment elevation has a saddleback appearance with a high takeoff ST-segment elevation of > 2 mm, a trough displaying > 1-mm ST-elevation followed by a positive or biphasic T-wave. Type-3 has an ST-segment elevation of < 1 mm. Reproduced with permission, from ref.<sup>[69]</sup>.



### Brugada Syndrome Increased Phase 1 repolarization • Shortened action potential $\rightarrow$ re-entry ransmural voltage gradient Endo Epi Brugada.org Potential for loss of Phase 2 Ca<sup>+2</sup> current Heterogeneous Repolarization and risk of re-entry

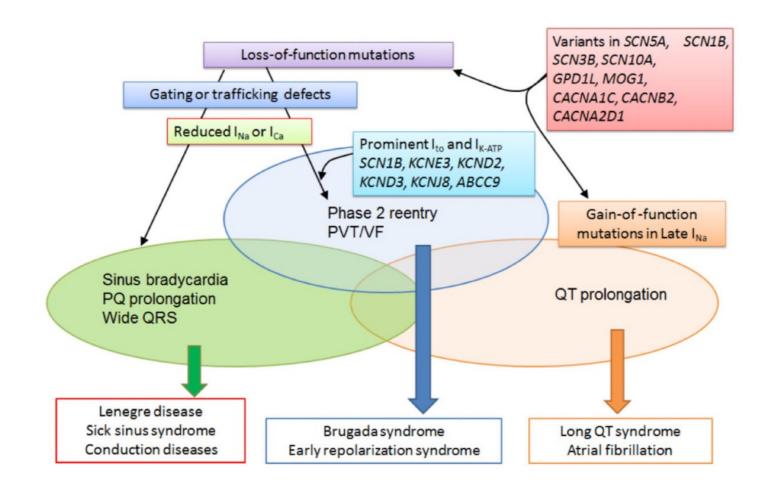




### BRUGADA SYNDROME

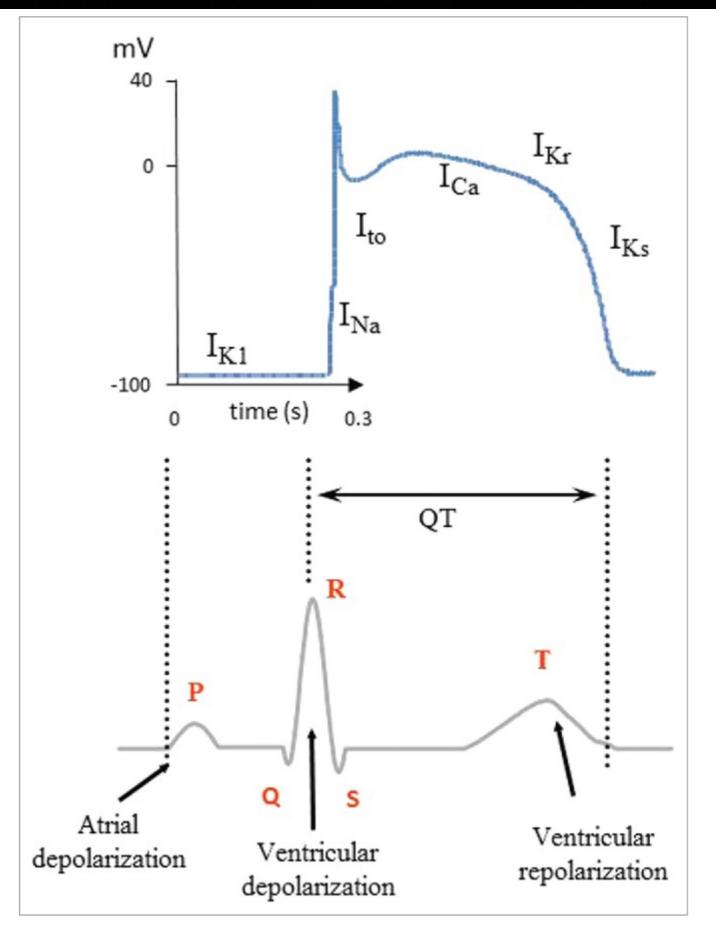
- RBBB, ST-segment elevation and T inversion.
- mutations in at least 8 separate genes encoding the sodium, potassium, and calcium channels involved in the generation of cardiac myocyte action potential
- sudden cardiac death in up to 20%
- (12/10,000) in Southeast Asia and less frequent cases (5/10,000) in the Western hemisphere
- bangungut in Philippines, lai tai in Thailand, most common cause of SCD in young males in night

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#### Figure 2.

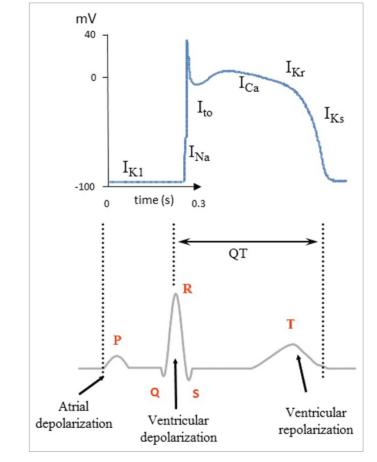
Schematic showing the three categories of overlap syndromes resulting from genetic defects resulting in loss of function of sodium ( $I_{Na}$ ) and/or calcium ( $I_{Ca}$ ) channel current. In the absence of prominent  $I_{to}$  or  $I_{K-ATP}$ , loss-of-function mutations in the inward currents result in various manifestations of conduction disease. In the presence of prominent  $I_{to}$  or  $I_{K-ATP}$ , loss-of-function disease as well as the J wave syndromes (Brugada and Early Repolarization Syndromes). Early Repolarization Syndrome is believed to be caused by loss-of-function mutations of inward current in the presence of prominent  $I_{to}$  in certain regions of the left ventricle (LV), particularly the inferior wall of the LV. The genetic defects that contribute to BrS and ERS can also contribute to the development of long QT and conduction system disease, in some cases causing multiple expressions of these overlap syndromes. In some cases, structural defects contribute to the phenotype.



The top panel shows the ventricular action potential and the currents contributing to each phase. The bottom panel depicts the features and intervals seen in a typical electrocardiogram (e.g., the PR interval is the time between the P wave and the R wave).

CHANNEL	CHARACTERISTICS	
Sodium Channels		
Fast Na <sup>+</sup>	Phase 0 depolarization of non-pacemaker cardiac action potentials	
Slow Na <sup>+</sup> "Funny" pacemaker current (I <sub>f</sub> ) in cardiac nodal tissue		
Potassium Channels		
Inward rectifier (I <sub>ir</sub> or I <sub>K1</sub> )	Contributes to late phase 3 repolarization; maintains phase 4 negative potential	
Transient outward (I <sub>to</sub> )	Contributes to phase 1 of non-pacemaker cardiac action potentials	
Delayed rectifiers (I <sub>Kr</sub> and I <sub>Ks</sub> )	Phase 3 repolarization of cardiac action potentials	The t in a t
ATP-sensitive (I <sub>K, ATP</sub> )	K <sub>ATP</sub> channels; inhibited by ATP; therefore, open when ATP decreases during hypoxia; in vascular smooth muscle, adenosine removes the ATP inhibition and opens these channels, producing hyperpolariation and vasodilation.	
Acetylcholine- activated (I <sub>K</sub> , ACh) Activated by acetylcholine; Gi-protein coupled		
Calcium- activated (I <sub>K,</sub> <sub>Ca</sub> or BK <sub>Ca</sub> )	Open in response to Ca <sup>++</sup> influx in vascular smooth muscle	
Calcium Channels		
L-type (I <sub>Ca-L</sub> )	Slow inward, long-lasting current; phase 2 non-pacemaker cardiac action potentials and late phase 4 and phase 0 of SA and AV nodal cells; important in vascular smooth muscle contraction	ı
T-type (I <sub>Ca-T</sub> )	Transient current that contributes to early phase 4 pacemaker currents in SA and AV nodal cells	;

Many of the <u>antiarrhythmic drugs</u> that are used to treat cardiac <u>arrhythmias</u> have their action on sodium, calcium and potassium channels.



The top panel shows the ventricular action potential and the currents contributing to each phase. The bottom panel depicts the features in a typical electrocardiogram (e.g., the PR interval is the time between the P wave and the R wave).

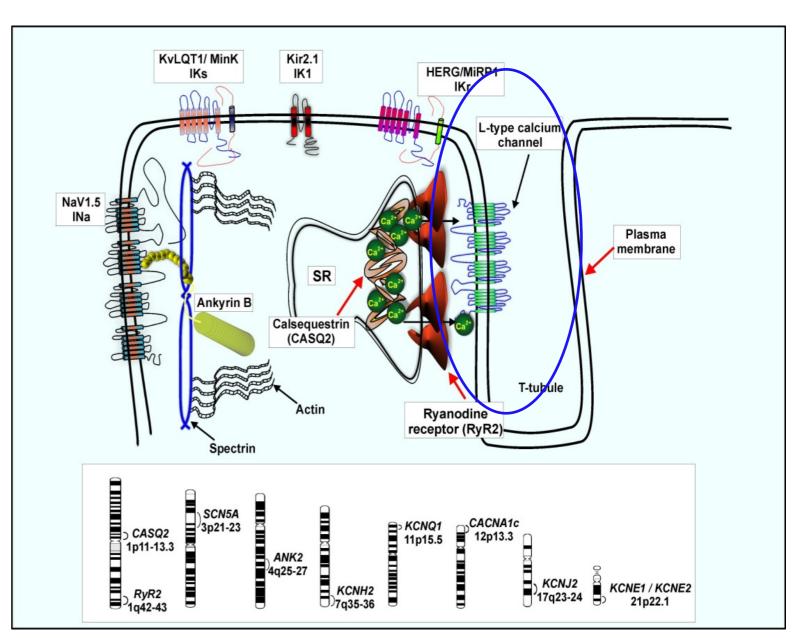
### SCN5A gene sodium voltage-gated channel alpha subunit 5

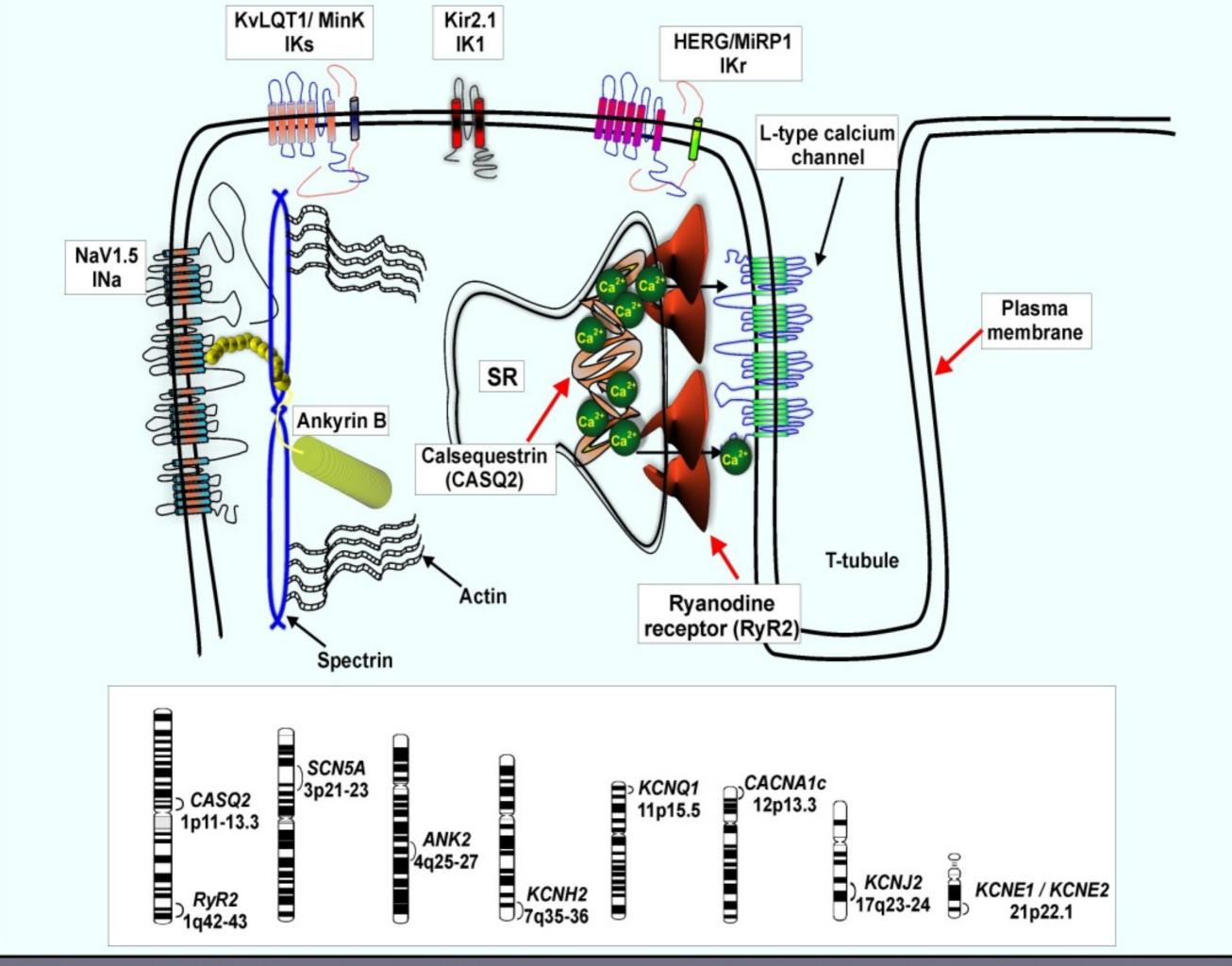
- Instructions for producing sodium channels
- >400 mutations in patients with Brugada Syndrome
- (SUNDS) Southeast Asia
- 10-30% mutations in SCN5A
- Loss of function mutation
- Reduction of sodium current during phase 0 (early upstroke) and phase 1 (early repolarization)

	sodium voltage-gated channel alpha subunit 5				
External IDs					
Gene location (Human)					
Chr.	Chr. Chromosome 3 (human) <sup>[1]</sup>				
Band	3p22.2	Start	38,548,057 bp <sup>[1]</sup>		
		End	38,649,673 bp <sup>[1]</sup>		

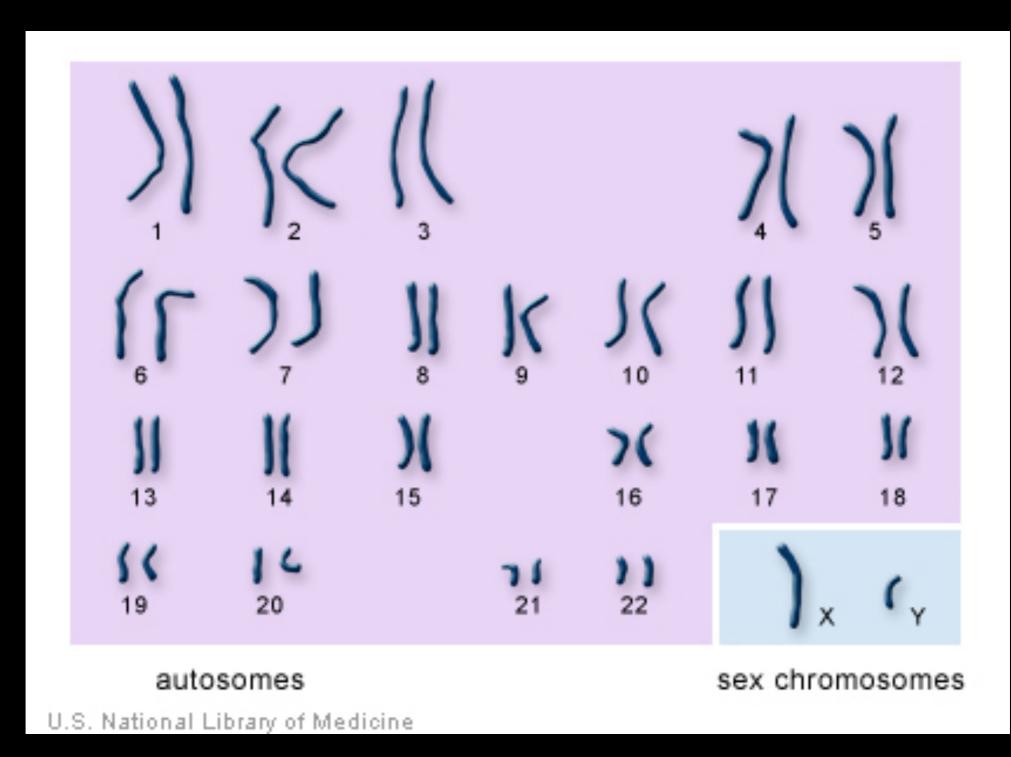
# Cardiac L-type calcium channel (LTCC)

- Cardiac LTCC plays a pivotal role to regulate heart rhythm and contractility
- Mutations in LTCC reported to be associated with inherited arrhythmogenic diseases
  - Brugada syndrome (BrS)
  - Long & short QT syndrome (LQTS, SQTS)
  - Idiopathic VF (IVF)
  - Early repolarization syndrome (ERS)

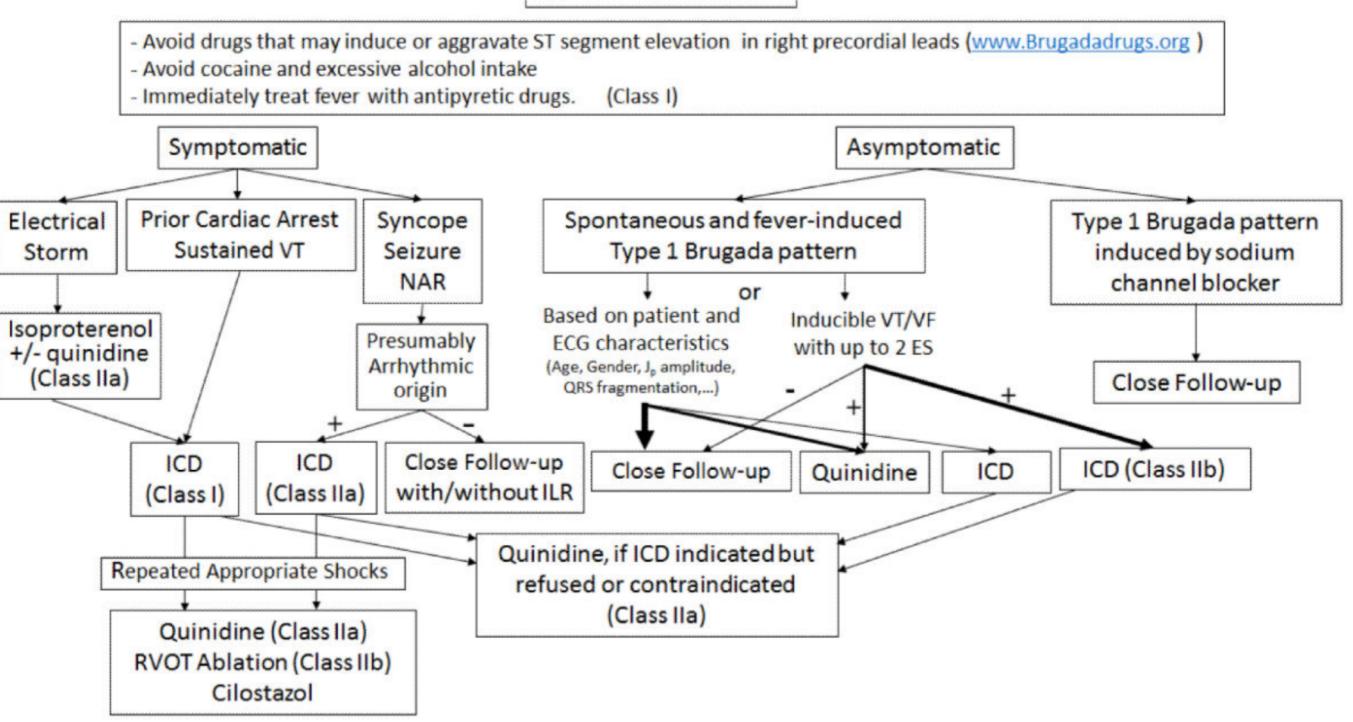




## Homo sapiens sapiens



#### Type 1 Brugada pattern

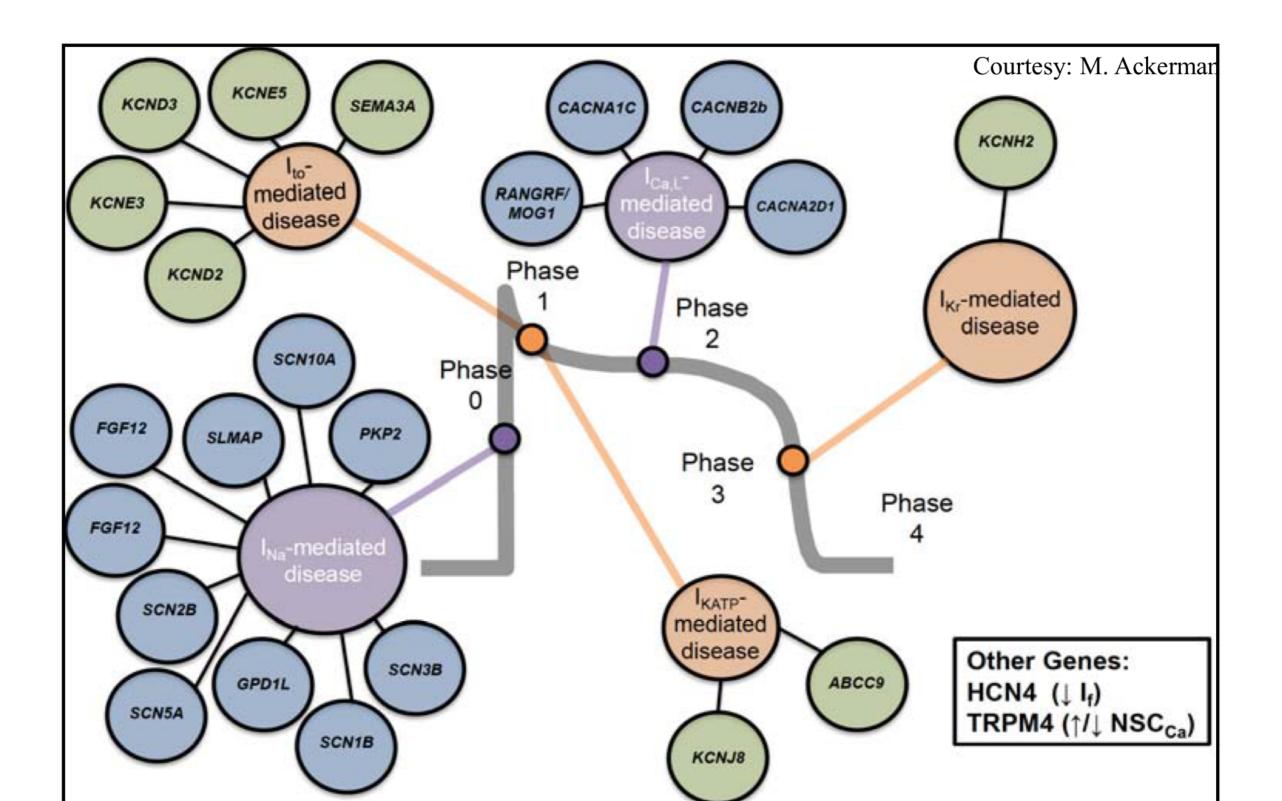


# Brugada Syndrome

 first described in 1992 in 8 patients with aborted sudden cardiac death – Brugada brothers

Syndrome	Pathology	ECG	Clinical Significance	Images / References
	channelopathy.40%	RBBB with ST elevation in V1-3. Convex and concave ST variants		V2 YMMM

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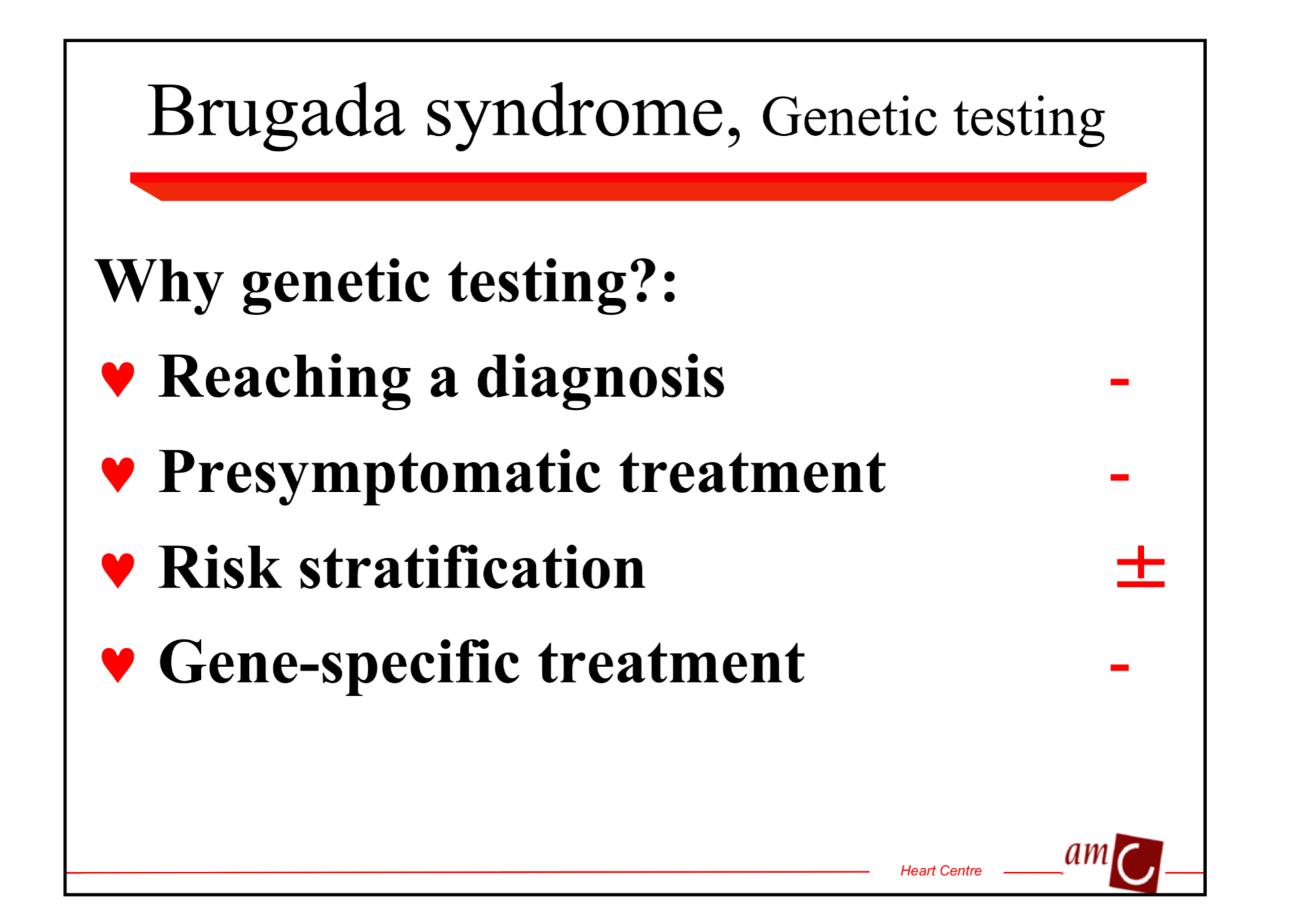
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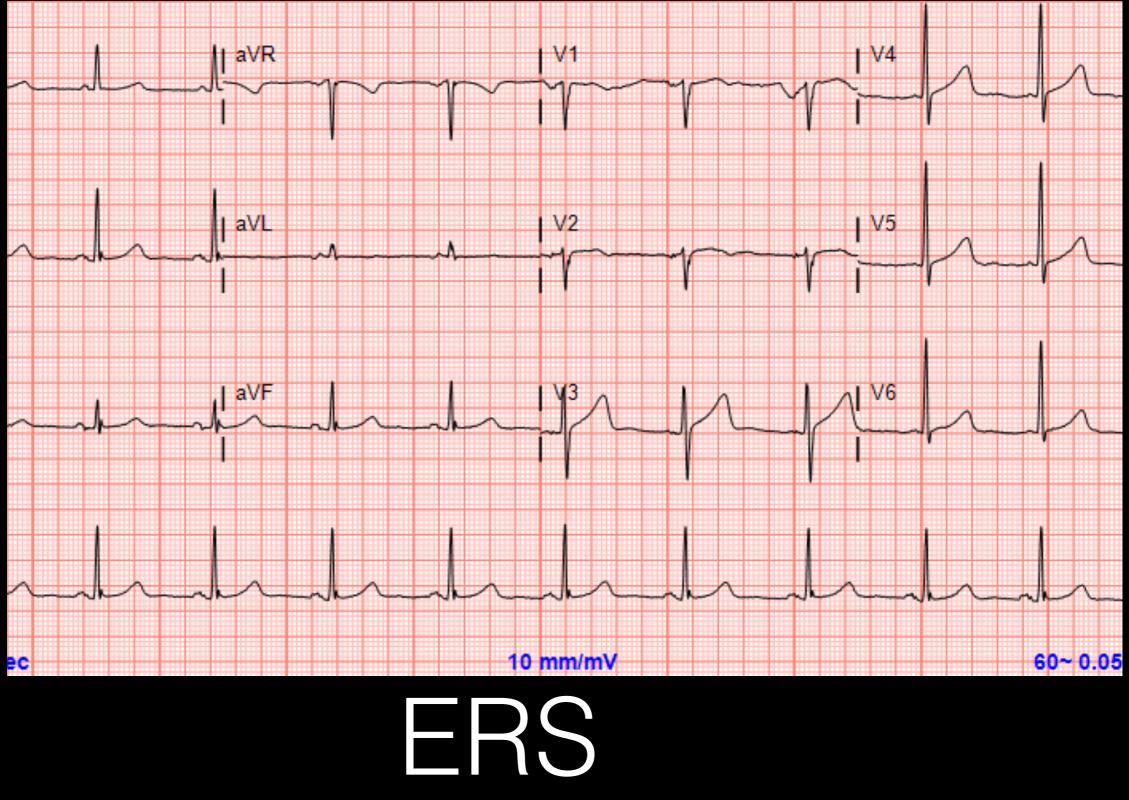
# **Conclusions:**

- still much to learn!
- expanding genetics (pathophys.), role SCN5a

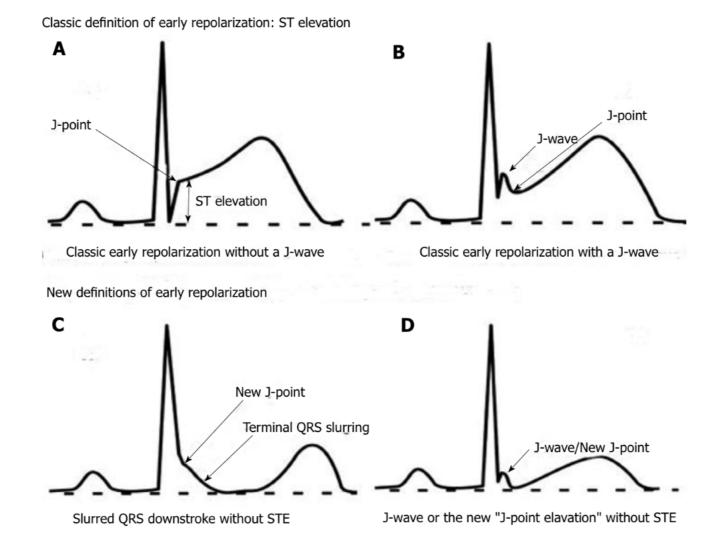
Heart Centre

- symptomatic patients are at risk, ICD!
- asymptomatic patients, risk ill defined.
- plea for large registries!!!!

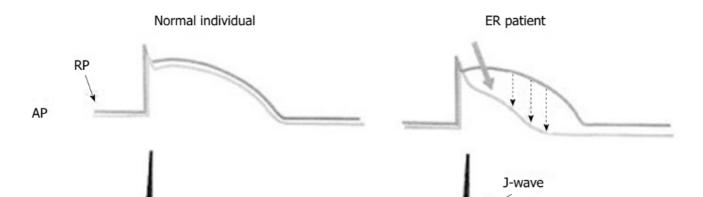




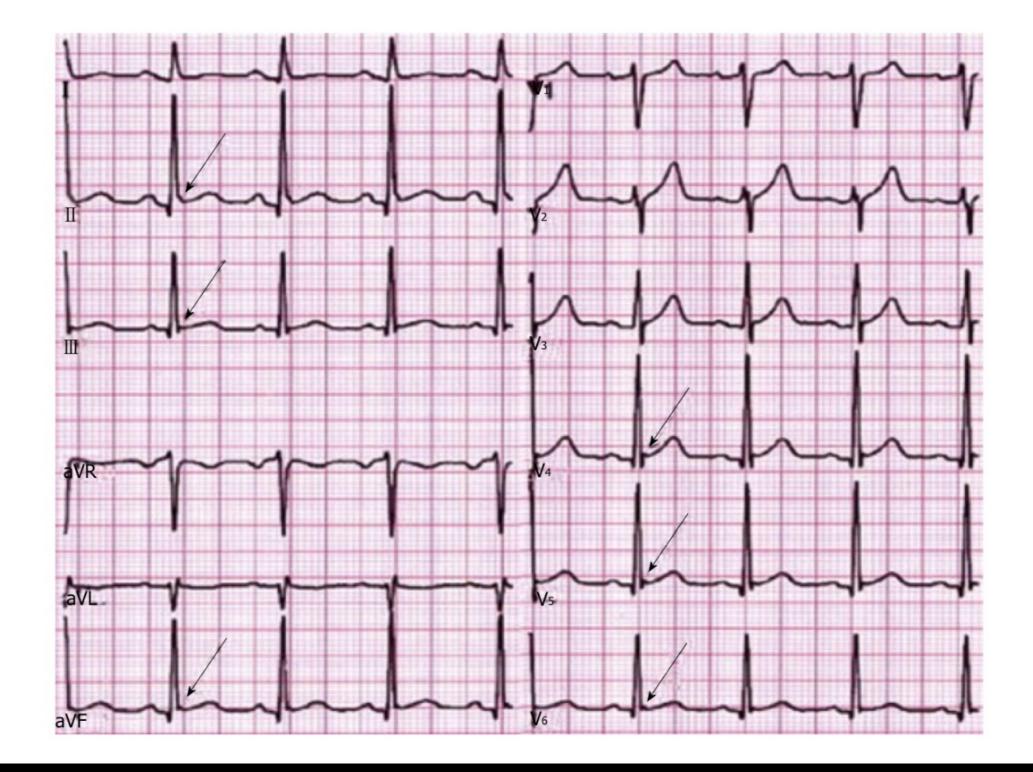
? Malignant



**Figure 1 Examples of the classic and new definitions of early repolarization.** Examples of the original (classic) and emerging (new) definitions of early repolarization (ER). A and B show the classic form of STE-type ER, which is the form identified by ECG software algorithms. Notice the presence of a J wave in (B), followed by an ascending/upsloping ST segment. Both forms are considered benign; C and D show the malignant form of ER demonstrated as slurring at the end of QRS complex (C) or a discrete notch/J wave (D) followed by a horizontal/downslopping ST segment (no ST elevation). Reproduced from ref.<sup>[49]</sup>, with permission from the publisher. STE: ST elevation type ER; ECG: Electrocardiographic.



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Malignant early repolarization: J-wave elevation (arrows) as slurring (lead II) and notching in the inferior and lateral leads and ascending ST segment in most leads.

# Three Subtypes of ERS

• Antzelevitch et al

- (1) type 1: It shows ER in the lateral precordial leads that is seen in healthy male athletes and has the lowest risk of malignant arrhythmias
- (2) type 2: It shows ER in the inferior and inferolateral leads and is associated with a greater risk of malignant arrhythmias
- (3) type 3: It shows ER pattern in all ECG leads and has the highest risk of malignant arrhythmias and electrical storms

Table 1

J-wave Syndromes: Similarities and Differences

			J Wave Sy	ndromes		
		Inheri	ted		Acqu	uired
	ER in lateral leads ERS Type 1	ER in inferior or infero-lateral leads ERS Type 2	Global ER ERS Type 3	Brugada Syndrome	Ischemia- mediated VT/VF	Hypothermia- mediated VT/VF
Anatomic Location responsible for chief EP manifestations	Antero-lateral left ventricle	Inferior left ventricle	Left and right ventricles	Right ventricle	Left and right ventricles	Left and right ventricles
Leads Displaying J point/ J-wave abnormalities	I, V4–V6	II, III, aVF	Global	V1–V3	Any of 12 leads	Any of the 12 leads
Response of J wave amplitude/ST Elevation to: Bradycardia or pause Na+ channel blockers	Increase Little or no change	Increase Little or no change	Increase Little or no change	Increase Increase	N/A N/A	N/A N/A
Sex Dominance	Male	Male	Male	Male	Male <sup>70,71</sup>	Either gender
VF	Rare Commonly seen in healthy men and athletes <sup>11,31,51</sup>	Yes21,23	Yes, Electrical Storms <sup>7</sup> , 27	Yes	Yes	Yes
Response to Quinidine	Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	Limited data; Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	Limited data	Inhibition of VT/VF <sup>59</sup>
Response to Isoproterenol	Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	Limited data;	Normalization of J point elevation and inhibition of VT/VF	N/A	N/A
Gene Mutations	CACNAIC, CACNB2B <sup>57</sup>	KCNJ8 <sup>56</sup> , CACNA1C, CACNB2B <sup>57</sup>	CACNAIC <sup>57</sup>	SCN5A, CACNA1C, CACNB2B, GPD1-L, SCN1B, KCNE3, SCN3B, KCNJ8	SCN5A <sup>72</sup>	N/A

EP=electrophysiology; N/A=not available; ERS=early repolarization syndrome; VT=ventricular tachycardia; VF=ventricular fibrillation

Table 3 Heart Rhythm Society/European Heart Rhythm Association/Asia Pacific Heart Rhythm Society consensus statement on the diagnosis and management of primary inherited arrhythmia syndromes recommendations for therapeutic interventions in early repolarization syndrome

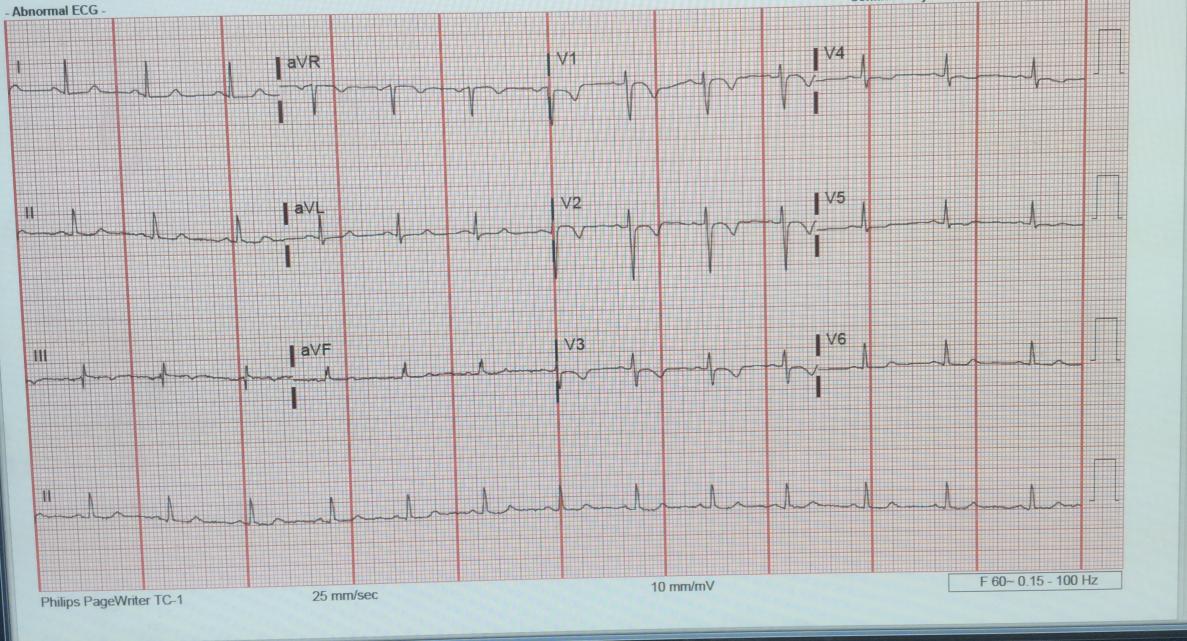
#### Expert consensus recommendations on early repolarization therapeutic interventions

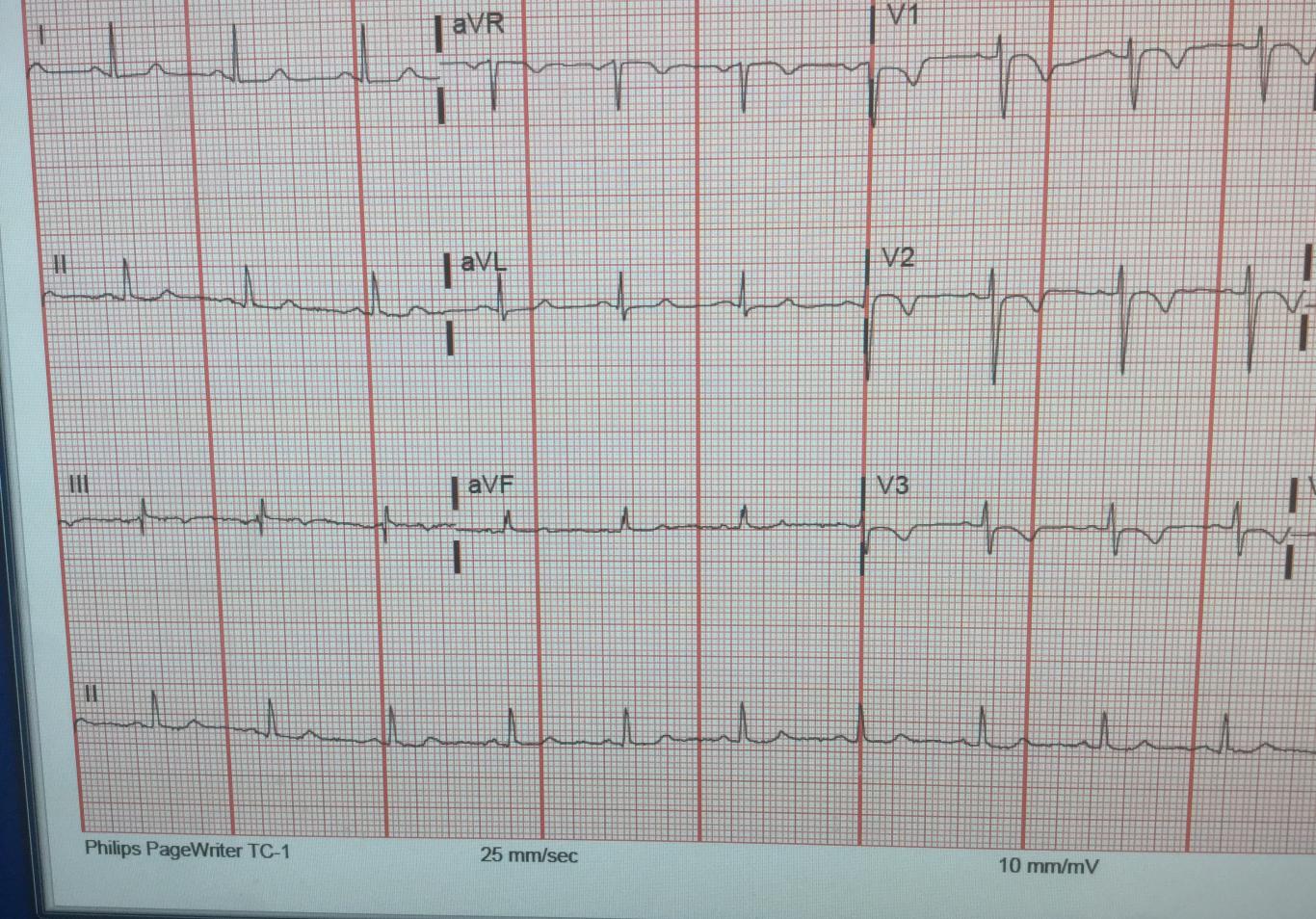
Class I	1	ICD implantation is recommended in patients with a diagnosis of ER syndrome who have survived a cardiac arrest
Class ∏a	2	Isoproterenol infusion can be useful in suppressing electrical storms in patients with a diagnosis of ER syndrome
	3	Quinidine in addition to an ICD can be useful for secondary prevention of VF in patients with a diagnosis of ER syndrome
Class ∏b	4	ICD implantation may be considered in symptomatic family members of ER syndrome patients with a history of syncope in
		the presence of ST-segment elevation > 1 mm in 2 or more inferior or lateral leads
	5	ICD implantation may be considered in asymptomatic individuals who demonstrate a high-risk ER ECG pattern (high
		J-wave amplitude, horizontal/descending ST segment) in the presence of a strong family history of juvenile unexplained
		sudden death with or without a pathogenic mutation
Class Ⅲ	6	ICD implantation is not recommended in asymptomatic patients with an isolated ER ECG pattern

ER: Early repolarization; ECG: Electrocardiogram; ICD: Implantable cardioverter-defibrillator.

IVA.				
Dx:			Req MD:	Carson Webb
Rate PR	80 125	Sinus rhythm Borderline intraventricular conduction delay	FIN# Field2:	3013791821
QRSD	114 371	T-wave inversions in the anterior leads, consider ischemia, clinical correlation is necessary. Electronically signed on 10-11-17 07:32:23 AKDT by Carson Webb	Field3: Field4:	
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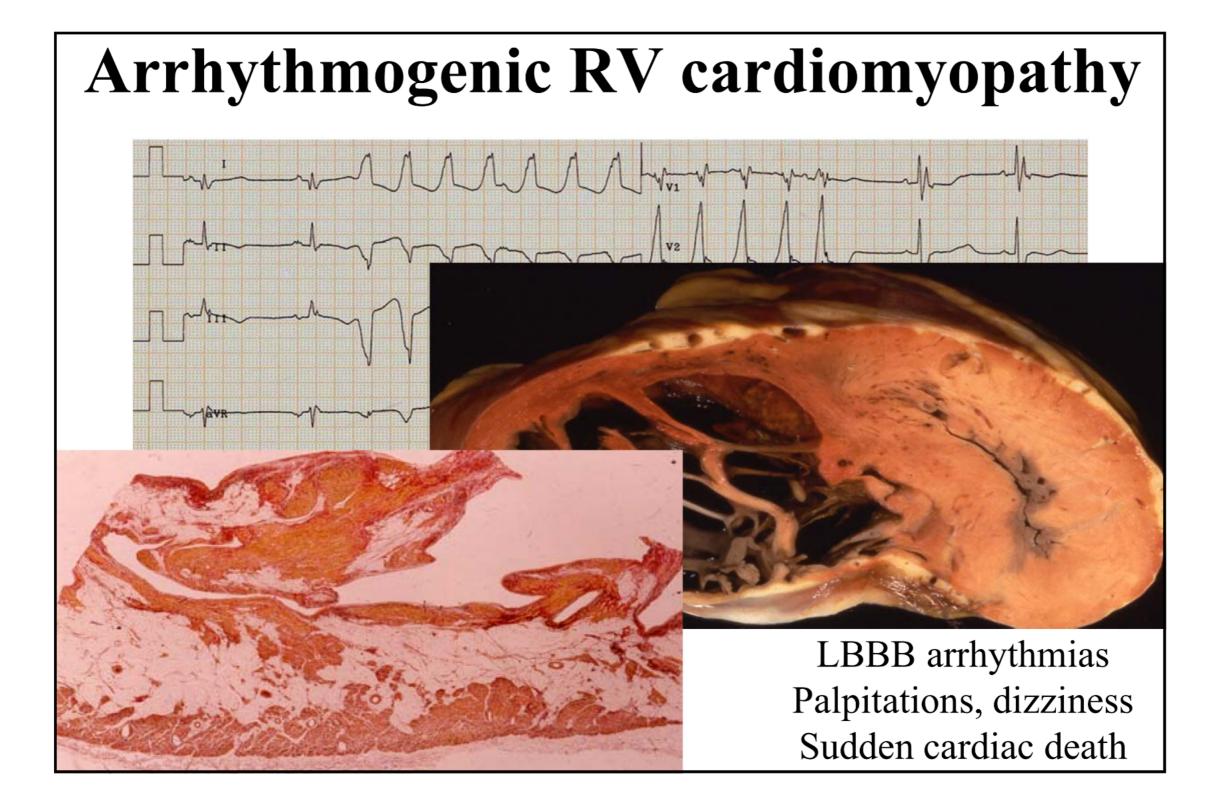




# ECG - ARVD

Epsilon Wave (Most Specific Finding - 30%) T Wave inversions in V1 - V3 (85%) Prolonged S Wave Upstroke of 55ms in V1-V3 (95%) QRS Widening of 110ms in V1 - V3 Paroxysmal VT with LBBB Morphology

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Section # – Disease	Diagnostic	Prognostic	Therapeutic
Section I – LQTS	+++	+++	++
Section II – CPVT	+++	+	-
Section III – BrS	+	+	-
Section IV – CCD	+	+	+
Section V – SQTS	+/-	-	-
Section VI – AF	-	-	-
Section VII – HCM	+++	++	+
Section VIII – ACM/ARVC	+	+/-	-
Section IX – DCM	+/-	-	-
Section IX – DCM + CCD	++	++	+
Section X – LVNC	+	-	-
Section XI – RCM	+	+	+
			Centre

2010 revision (<u>Table 1</u>)..

Table 1. 2010 Task Force Criteria for the Diagnosis of Arrhythmogenic Right Ventricular Cardiomyopathy

I. Global and/or regional dysfunction and structural alterations By 2-dimensional echocardiogram: regional RV akinesia, dyskinesia, or aneurysm and 1 of the following (end diastole):• PLAX RVOT≥32mm (corrected for body size Major [PLAX/BSA]≥19 mm/m<sup>2</sup>)• PSAX RVOT≥ 36mm (corrected for body size [PSAX/BSA]≥21 mm/m<sup>2</sup>)• O fractional area change≤33% By MRI: regional RV akinesia or dyskinesia or dyssynchronous RV contraction and 1 of the following:• Ratio of RV end-diastolic volume to BSA≥110 mL/m<sup>2</sup> (male) or  $\geq 100 \text{ mL/m}^2$  (female)• O RV ejection fraction  $\leq 40\%$ By RV angiography: regional RV akinesia, dyskinesia, or aneurysm By 2-dimensional echocardiogram: regional RV akinesia or dyskinesia and 1 of the following (end diastole): • PLAX RVOT≥29 to <32mm (corrected for body size Minor [PLAX/BSA]≥16 to <19 mm/m<sup>2</sup>)• PSAX RVOT≥32 to <36mm (corrected for body size [PSAX/BSA] $\geq$ 18 to <21 mm/m<sup>2</sup>)• O fractional area change >33% to  $\leq$ 40% By MRI: regional RV akinesia or dyskinesia or dyssynchronous RV contraction and 1 of the following:• Ratio of RV end-diastolic volume to BSA≥100 to < 110 mL/m<sup>2</sup> (male) or  $\geq$ 90 to <100 mL/m<sup>2</sup> (female)• Or RV ejection fraction >40% to ≤45%

Major	Residual myocytes<60% by morphometric analysis (or <50% if estimated), with fibrous replacement of the RV free wall myocardium in ≥1 sample, with or without fatty replacement of tissue on endomyocardial biopsy
Minor	Residual myocytes 60% to 75% by morphometric analysis (or 50% to 65% if estimated), with fibrous replacement of the RV free wall myocardium in ≥1 sample, with or without fatty replacement of tissue on endomyocardial biopsy
III. Rep	olarisation abnormalities
Major	Inverted T waves in right precordial leads (V <sub>1</sub> , V <sub>2</sub> , and V <sub>3</sub> ) or beyond in individuals >14 years of age (in the absence of complete RBBB QRS≥120 ms)
Minor	Inverted T waves in leads V <sub>1</sub> and V <sub>2</sub> in individuals>14 years of age (in the absence of complete RBBB) or in V <sub>4</sub> , V <sub>5</sub> , or V <sub>6</sub> Inverted T waves in leads V <sub>1</sub> , V <sub>2</sub> , V <sub>3</sub> , and V <sub>4</sub> in individuals>14 years of age in the presence of complete RBBB

IV. Depolarisation/conduction abnormalities

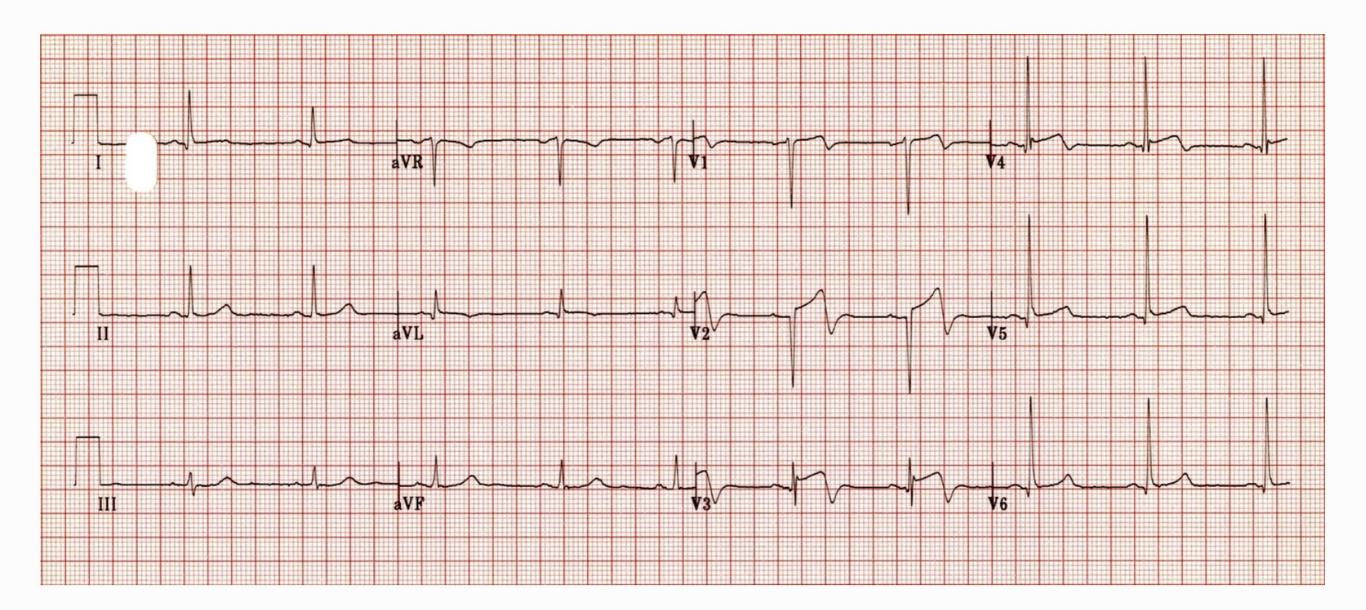
### IV. Depolarisation/conduction abnormalities

Major	Epsilon wave (reproducible low-amplitude signals between end of QRS complex to onset of the T wave) in the right precordial leads (V $_1$ to V $_3$ )
Minor	Late potentials by SAECG in ≥1 of 3 parameters in the absence of a QRS duration of ≥110ms on the standard ECG: filtered QRS duration (fQRS)≥114 ms; duration of terminal QRS<40µV (low-amplitude signal duration)≥38 ms; root-mean-square voltage of terminal 40 ms≤20µVTerminal activation duration of QRS≥55ms measured from the nadir of the S wave to the end of the QRS, including R', in V <sub>1</sub> , V <sub>2</sub> , or V <sub>3</sub> , in the absence of complete RBBB

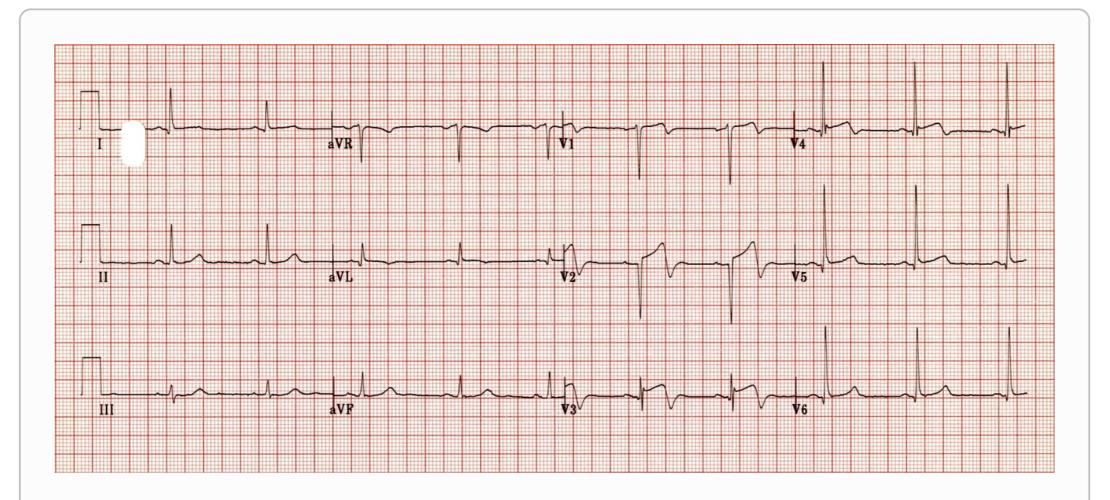
### V. Arrhythmias

Major	Nonsustained or sustained ventricular tachycardia of left bundle-branch morphology with superior axis (negative or indeterminate QRS in leads II, III, and aVF and positive in lead aVL)
Minor	Nonsustained or sustained ventricular tachycardia of RVOT configuration, LBBB morphology with inferior axis (positive QRS in leads II, III, and aVF and negative in lead aVL) or of unknown axis>500 ventricular extrasystoles per 24h (Holter)

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VI. Farr	nily history
Major	ARVC/D confirmed in a first-degree relative who meets current Task Force criteriaARVC/D confirmed pathologically at autopsy or surgery in a first-degree relativeIdentification of a pathogenic mutation <sup>*</sup> categorized as associated or probably associated with ARVC/D in the patient under evaluation
Minor	History of ARVC/D in a first-degree relative in whom it is not possible or practical to determine whether the family member meets current Task Force criteriaPremature sudden death (<35 years of age) due to suspected ARVC/D in a first-degree relativeARVC/D confirmed pathologically or by current Task Force criteria in second-degree relative

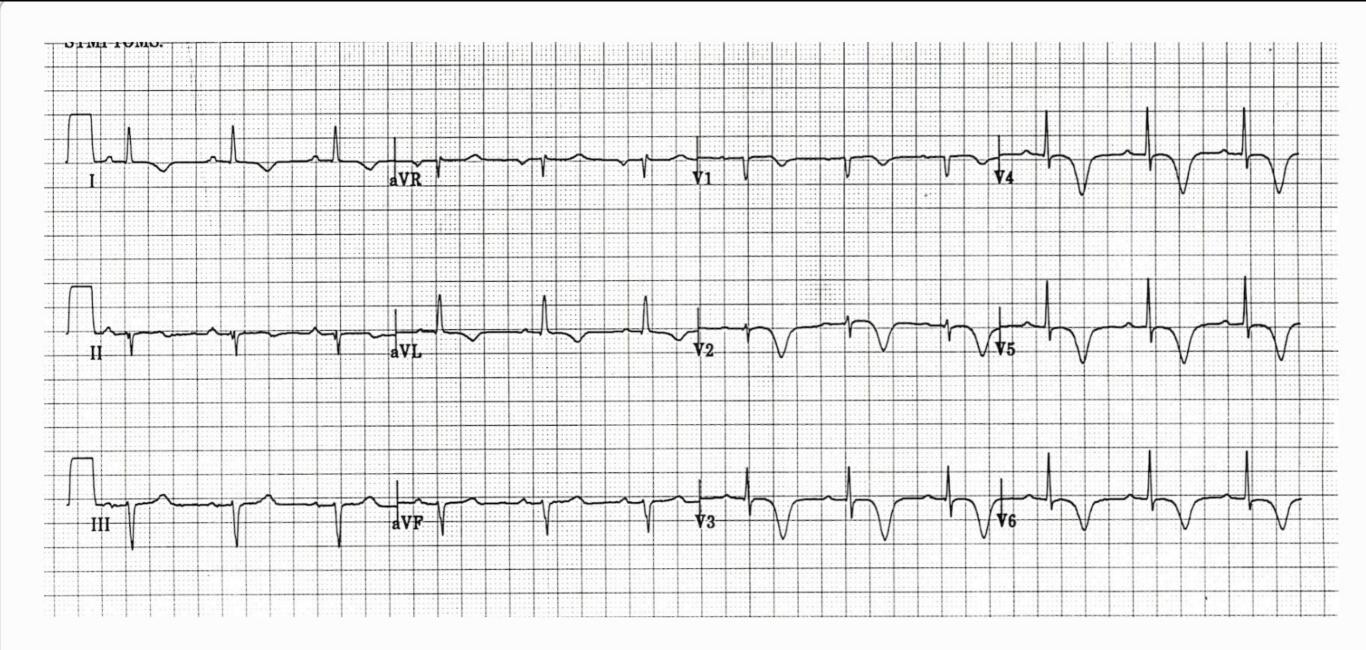


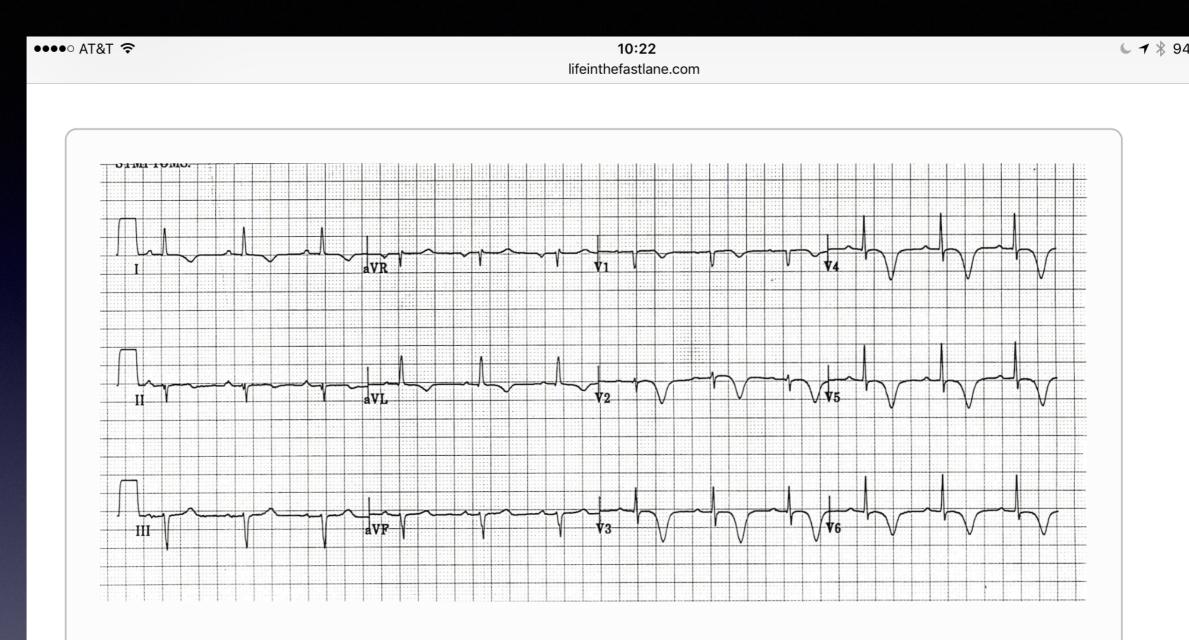
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### Wellens Syndrome (Type A Pattern)

- Biphasic precordial T waves with terminal negativity, most prominent in V2-3.
- Minor precordial ST elevation.
- Preserved R wave progression (R wave in V3 > 3mm)





### Wellens Syndrome (Type B Pattern)

• There are deep, symmetrical T wave inversions throughout the anterolateral leads (V1-6, I, aVL).

Syndrome	Pathology	ECG	Clinical Significance	Images / References

Syndrome	Pathology	ECG	Clinical Significance	Images / References
	Proximal critical stenosis of LAD artery	Symmetrical deeply inverted T waves in V2-3 or	Acute anterior MI if	MMM
	-	Biphasic in V2-3 with	untreated	
		minimal ST elevation.Changes occur in		wwww
		pain free state and		
		normalise when pain		

# Wellen's Syndrome

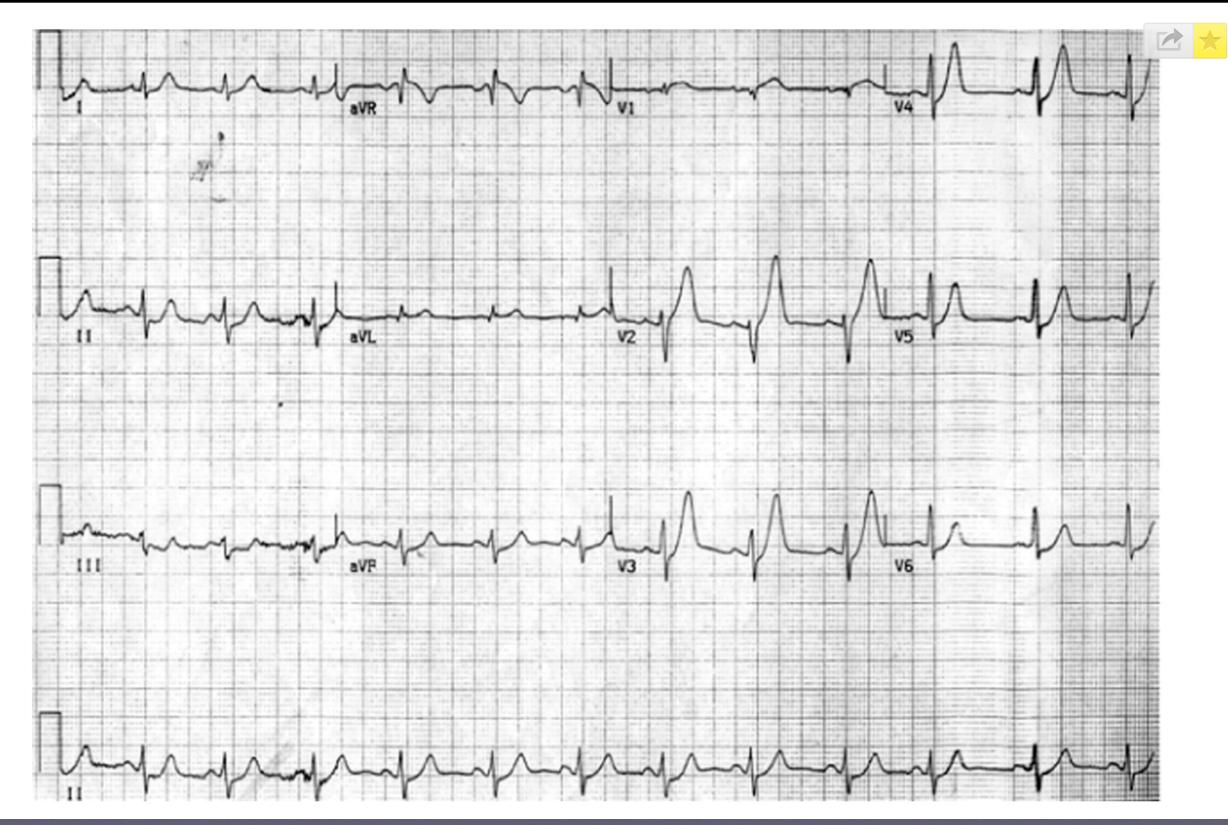
- Am Heart J 1982; 103:730-736
- Critical Stenosis in Proximal LAD
- 75% AMI Despite Medical Rx
- ACS Requiring Urgent Cardiac intervention despite negative biomarkers.

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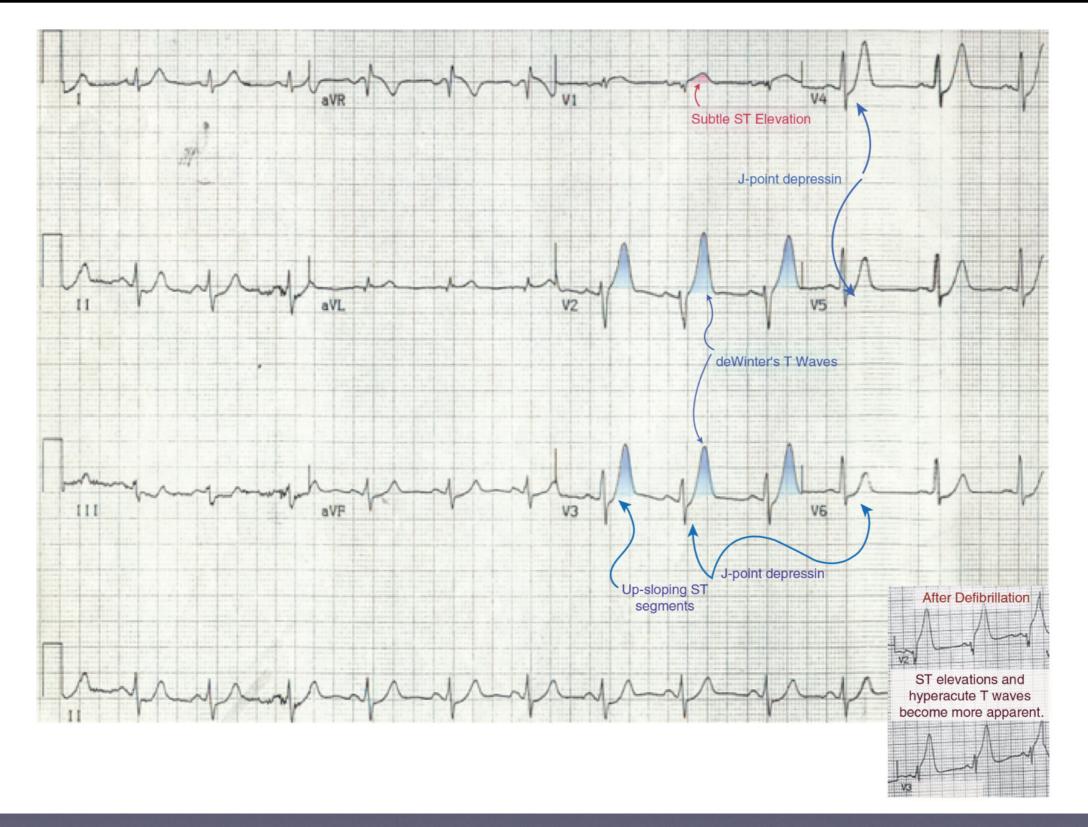


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 A New ECG Sign of Proximal LAD Occlusion

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#### To the Editor:

Recognition of characteristic changes in an electrocardiogram (ECG) that are associated with acute occlusion of a coronary artery guides decisions regarding immediate reperfusion therapy.<sup>1-3</sup> Working from our primary database of percutaneous coronary interventions, which includes records of the ambulance, or admission, ECG (performed on first medical contact with the patient), the preprocedural ECG, and the coronary angiogram, we describe a new ECG pattern without ST-segment elevation that signifies occlusion of the proximal left anterior descending coronary artery (LAD). Instead of the signature ST-segment elevation, the ST segment showed a 1- to 3-mm upsloping ST-segment depression at the J point in leads  $V_1$  to  $V_6$  that continued into tall, positive symmetrical T waves. The QRS complexes were usually not widened or were only slightly widened, and in some there was a loss of precordial R-wave progression. In most patients there was a 1- to 2-mm ST-elevation in lead aVR (see Figure 1 for representative examples of

this ECG pattern). We recognized this characteristic ECG pattern in 30 of 1532 patients with anterior myocardial infarction (2.0%).

Although tall symmetrical T waves have been recognized as a transient early feature that changes into overt ST elevation in the precordial leads, in these patients this pattern was static, persisting from the time of first ECG until the preprocedural ECG was performed and angiographic evidence of an occluded LAD was obtained (i.e., 30 to 50 minutes). The ECGs with this pattern were on average recorded 1.5 hours after symptom onset. Collateral filling of the LAD ranged from Rentrop class 0 to class 3, and a wraparound LAD was present in 50% of patients. There was no evidence of involvement

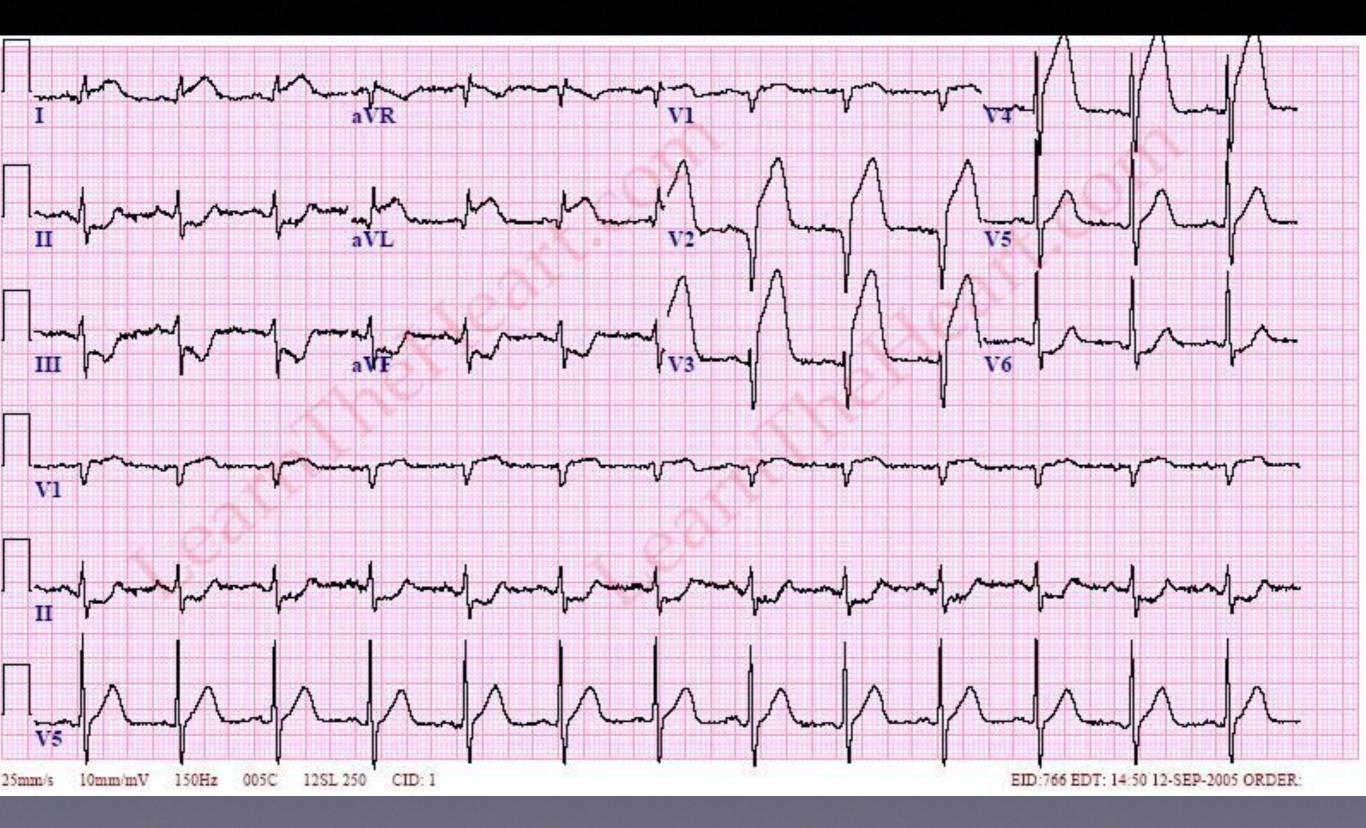
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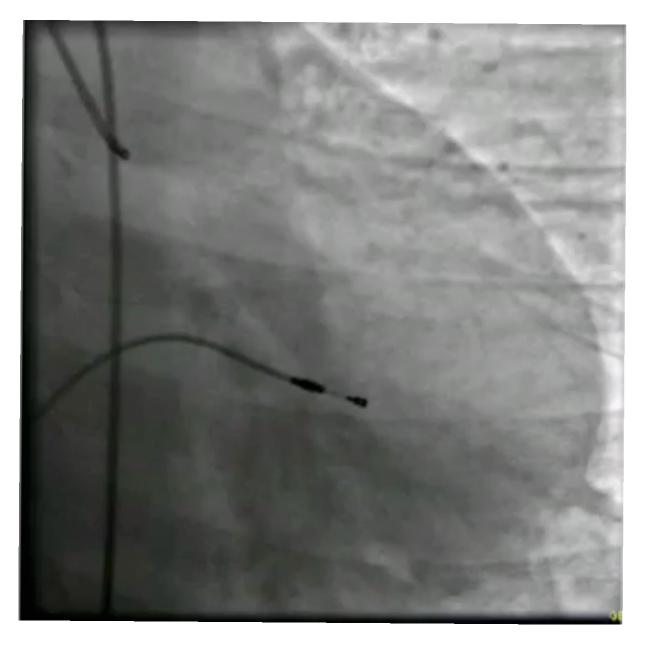
Unique Precordial ST-Segment and T-Wave Morphology.

of the left main stem of the coronary artery, nor was there evidence of significant disease in the coronary arteries supplying the posterior or posterolateral myocardial territories. Potassium levels on admission were normal (3.9±0.5 mmol per liter). Despite successful procedures in all cases, there was considerable loss of myocardium, with a median creatine kinase MB peak of 342 µg per liter.

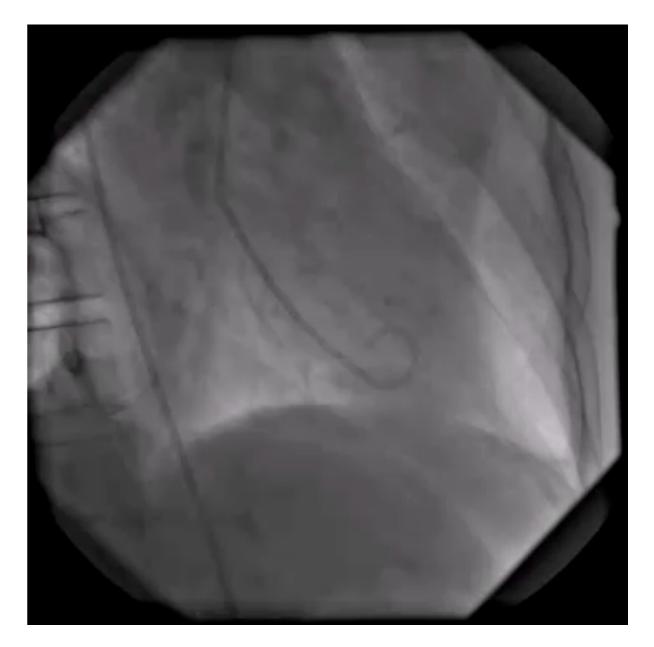
The electrophysiological explanation of the observed ECG pattern remains elusive. We could not establish patient characteristics, nor could we identify coronary angiographic characteristics that were unequivocally associated with the ECG pattern described as compared with a pattern of anterior ST elevation. Theoretically, an anatomical variant of the Purkinje fibers, with endocardial conduction delay, could be present. Alternatively, the absence of ST elevation may be related to the lack of activation of sarcolemmal ATP-sensitive potassium (K<sub>ATP</sub>) channels by ischemic ATP depletion, as has been shown in K<sub>ATP</sub> knockout animal models of acute ischemia.<sup>4</sup> It is of great importance for physicians and paramedics involved in the triage of patients with chest pain for



# TAKOTSUBO CARDIOMYOPATHY



 This entity was introduced as "takotsubo-like left ventricular dysfunction" in 1990 by Satoh.



 "Tako-tsubo" is a fishing pot with a round bottom and narrow neck, which is used for trapping octopuses in Japan.

and Hypotrophic superior stressful event up wall (Octopus jar heart)
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### Stress Induced Cardiomyopathy

Sharkey SW, Lesser JR, Zenovich AG, et al. *Acute and reversible cardiomyopathy provoked by stress in women from the United States.* Circulation 2005;111:472–9.

- Women 95% cases
- Mean age 68
- Not just emotional stress
  - Intense physical stress
  - Acute medical illness (ICU)
  - No stress in 10%
- Probably 2% of ACS cases
- Etiology ???
  - Wall motion abnormality doesn't correlate to single coronary distribution
  - O Catecholamine induced vascular spasm?
  - O Catecholamine induced reversible myocyte injury?
    - Is LV apex more sensitive to injury?

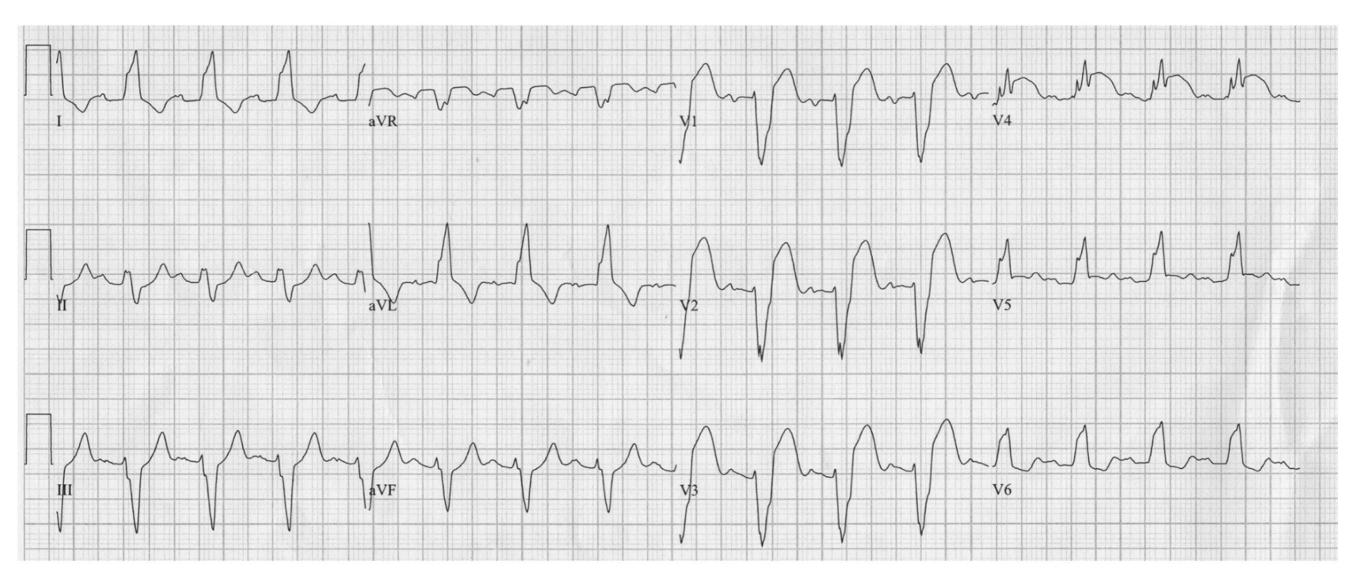
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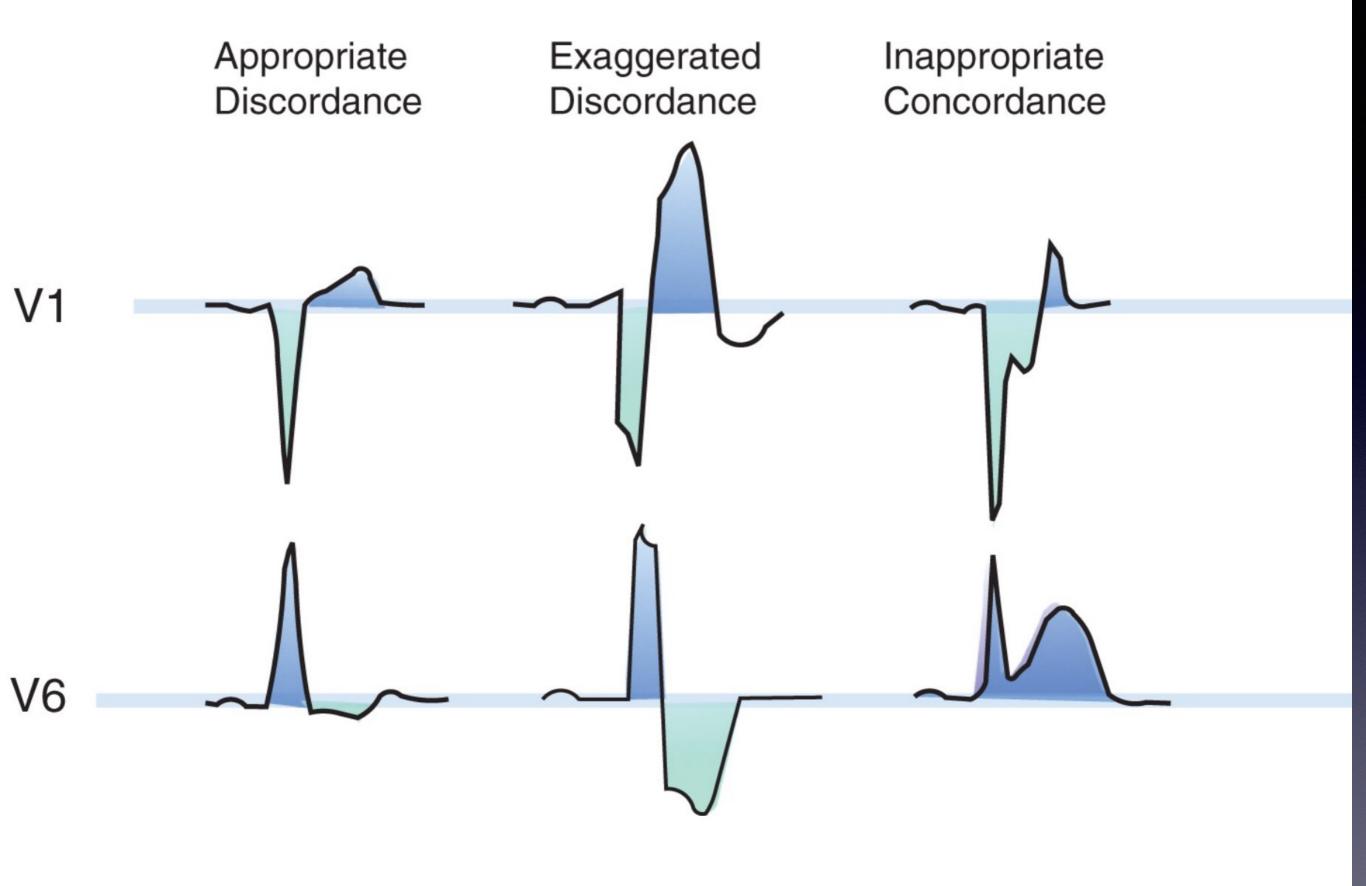
## Stress Induced Cardiomyopathy

### Diagnostic criteria:

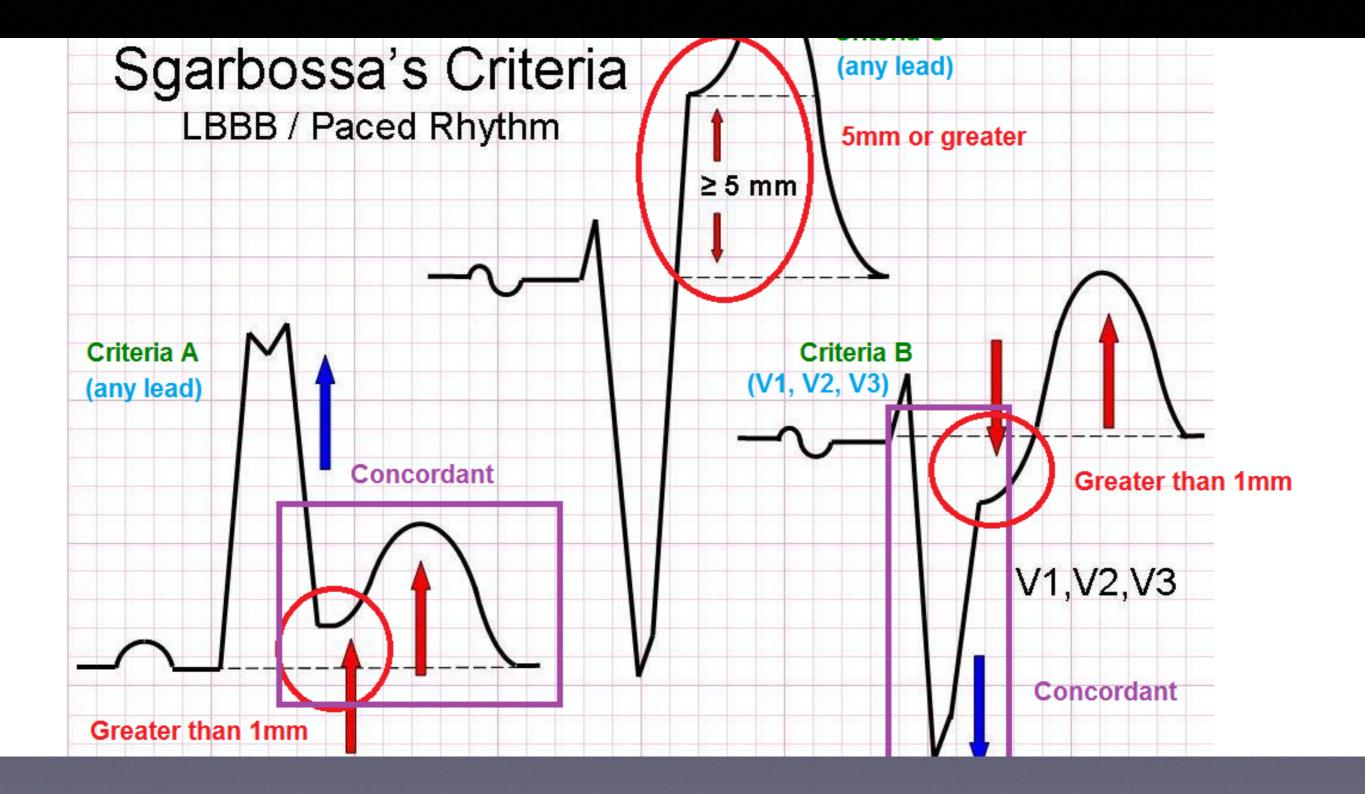
- Transient akinesis or dyskinesis of apex-distal LV
- New ST elevation or T wave inversion
- No obstructive coronary artery disease
- Absence of other causes of transient myopathy
  - > Head trauma
  - Intracranial bleed
  - > Pheochromocytoma
  - > Myocarditis

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**Figure 12.24** Appearance of discordance and concordance in left bundle branch block.



131patients with LBBB/26003 STEMI Patients December 27, 1990, and was completed on February 22, 1993.

Sgarbossa, Elena B.; Pinski, Sergio L.; Barbagelata, Alejandro; Underwood, Donald A.; Gates, Kathy B.; Topol, Eric J.; Califf, Robert M.; Wagner, Galen S. (1996).
"Electrocardiographic Diagnosis of Evolving Acute Myocardial Infarction in the Presence of Left Bundle-Branch Block". New England Journal of Medicine. 334 (8): 481–487.

### Sgarbossa's criteria

Three criteria are included in Sgarbossa's criteria:<sup>[2]</sup>

- ST elevation ≥1 mm in a lead with a positive QRS complex (ie: concordance) 5 points
- ST depression ≥1 mm in lead V1, V2, or V3 3 points
- ST elevation ≥5 mm in a lead with a negative (discordant) QRS complex 2 points
- $\geq$ 3 points = 90% specificity of STEMI (sensitivity of 36%)<sup>[2]</sup>

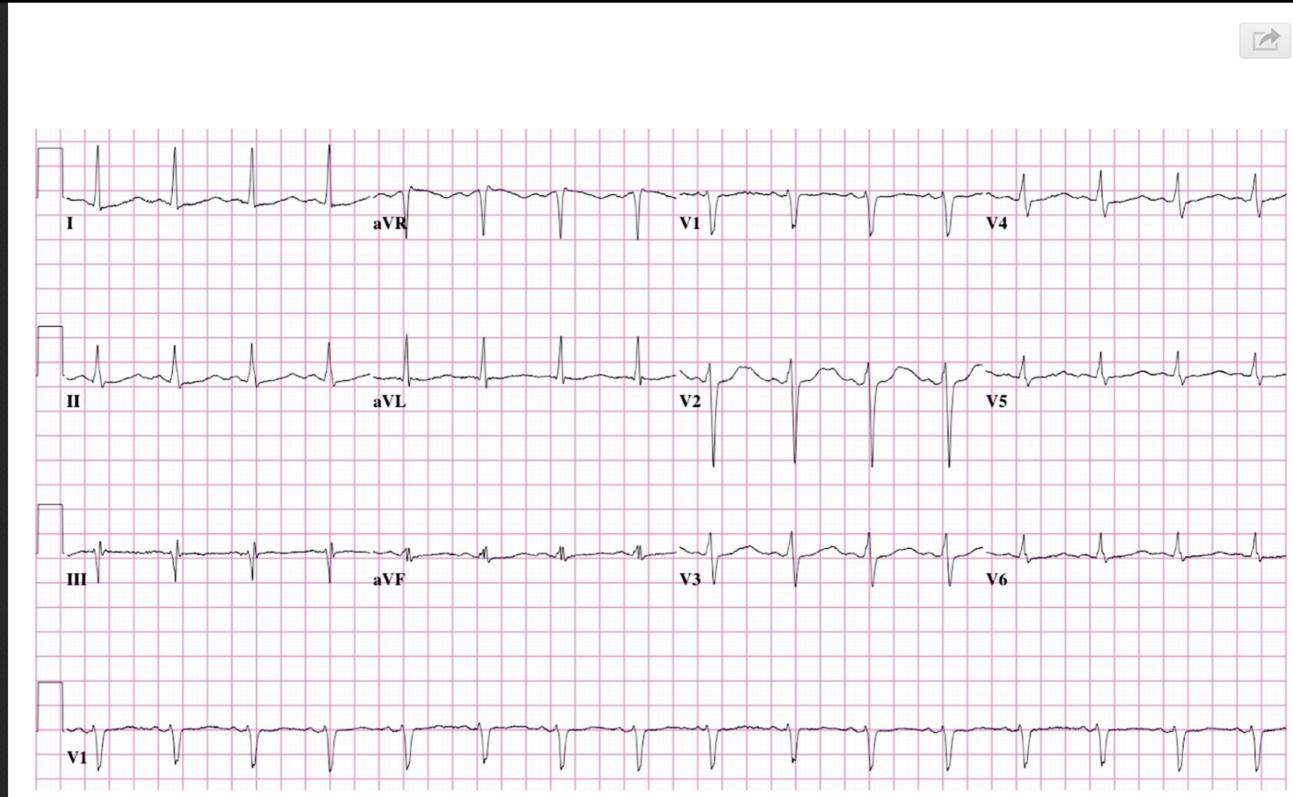


#### Sgarbossa Criteria

#### Smith-Modified Sgarbossa Criteria (Unweighted)

Inapprop		Concordant ST elevation $\geq$ 1 mm in any lead (5 points)	Concordant ST elevati	ion $\geq$ 1 mm in any lead	
Concordance	Concordant ST depression $\geq$ 1 mm in leads V1-V3 (3 points)	Concordant ST depression $\geq$ 1 mm in leads V1-V3			
Exagger Discorda		Absolute Discordance: Discordant STE $\geq$ 5 mm in any lead (2 points)	Discordance out of proportion:	ST-segment elevation Depth of S wave	> 0.25

Sgarbossa	Derived from GUSTO 1 trial	ST elevation >1mm	Help risk stratify patients	
criteria	to identify MI in paced or	concordant with QRS	with chronic LBBB	Sgarbossa's Criteria
	LBBB patients	complex (5pts), ST	presenting with ACS	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
		depression >1mm in V1-3	symptoms	M 1
		(3pts), ST elevation >5mm		V V1,V2,V3
		discordant with QRS 2		ama 12 Land. b Log egot type
		points. >3 points		
		consistent with MI		



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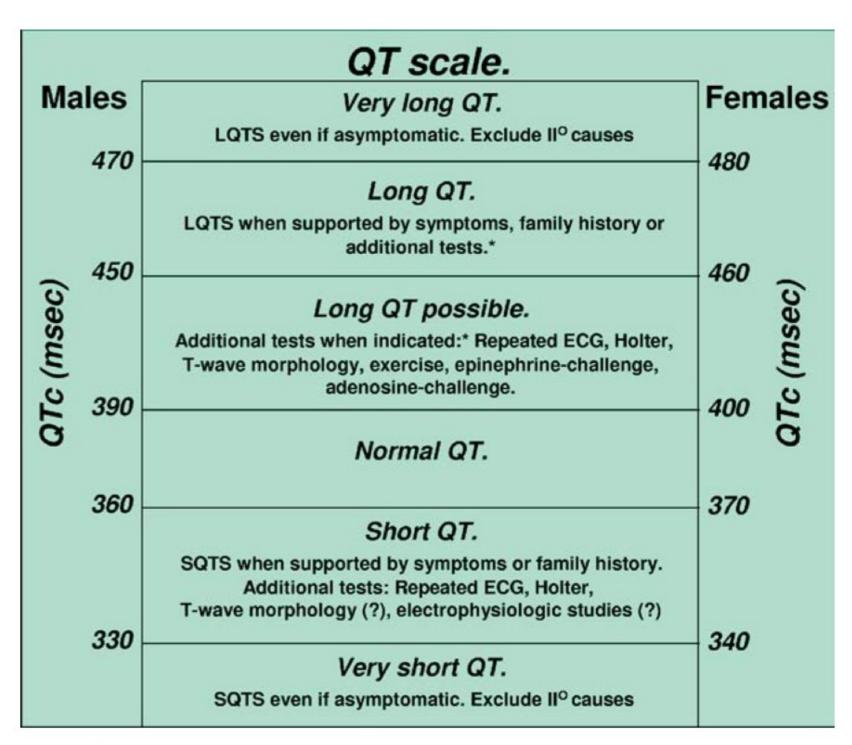
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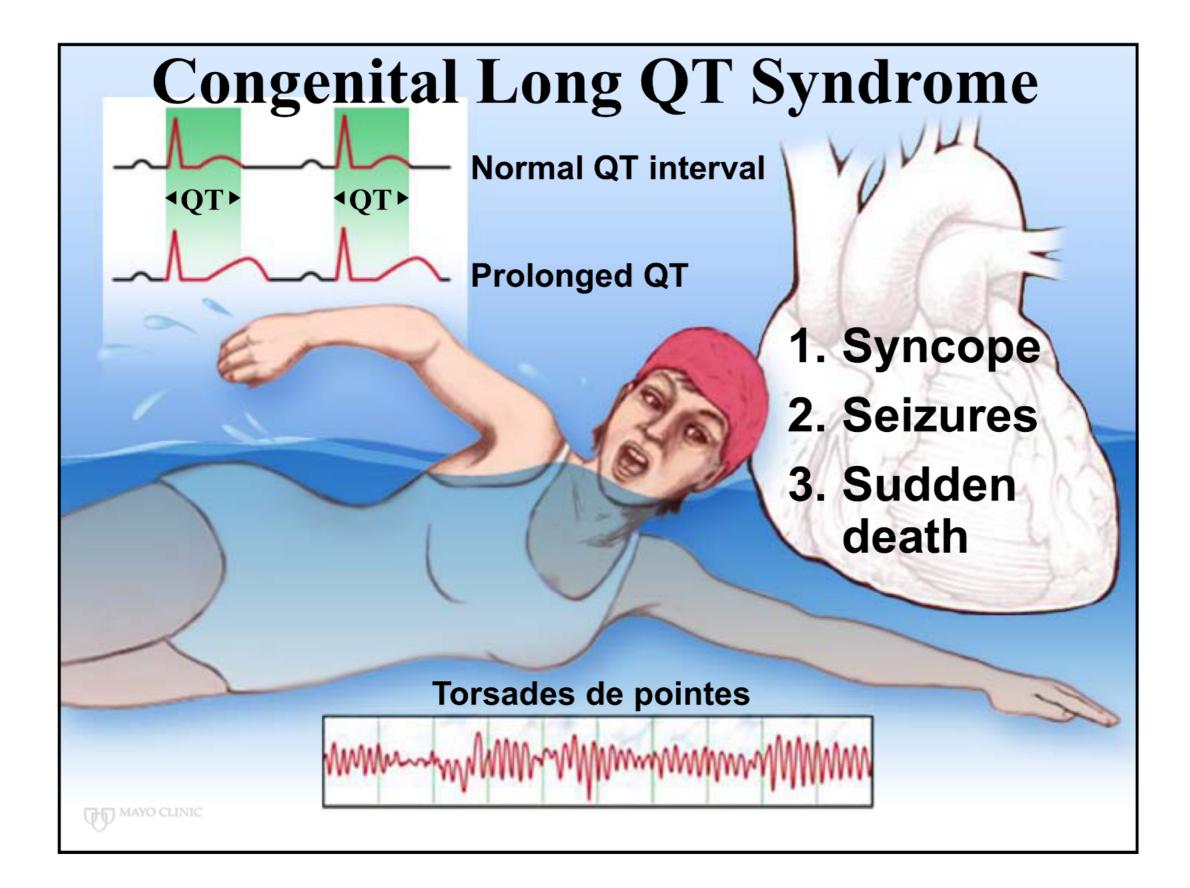
# LONG QT INTERVAL

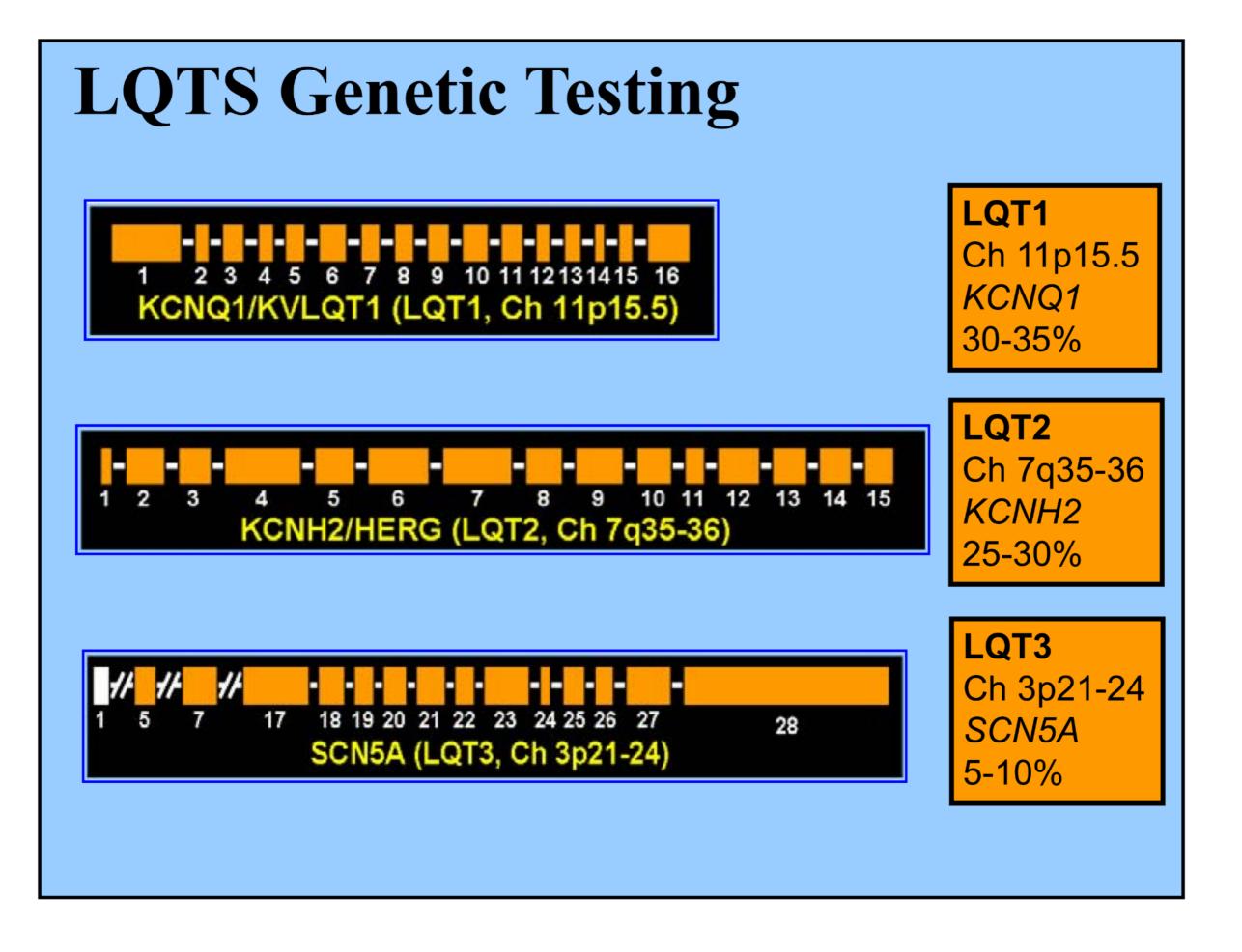
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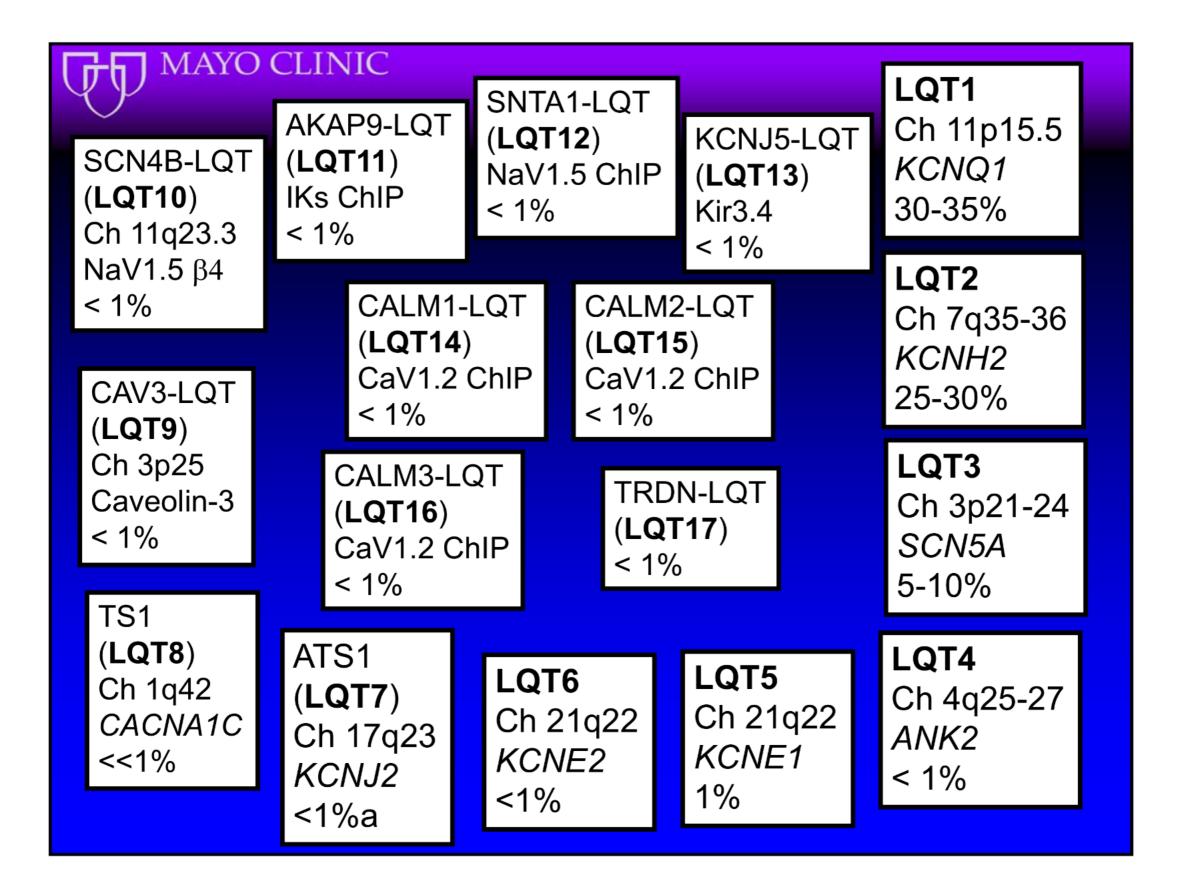
- Myocardial infarction, myocarditis, diffuse myocardial disease
- Hypocalcemia, hypothyrodism
- Subarachnoid hemorrhage, intracerebral hemorrhage
- Drugs (e.g. Sotalol, Amiodarone)
- Heredity

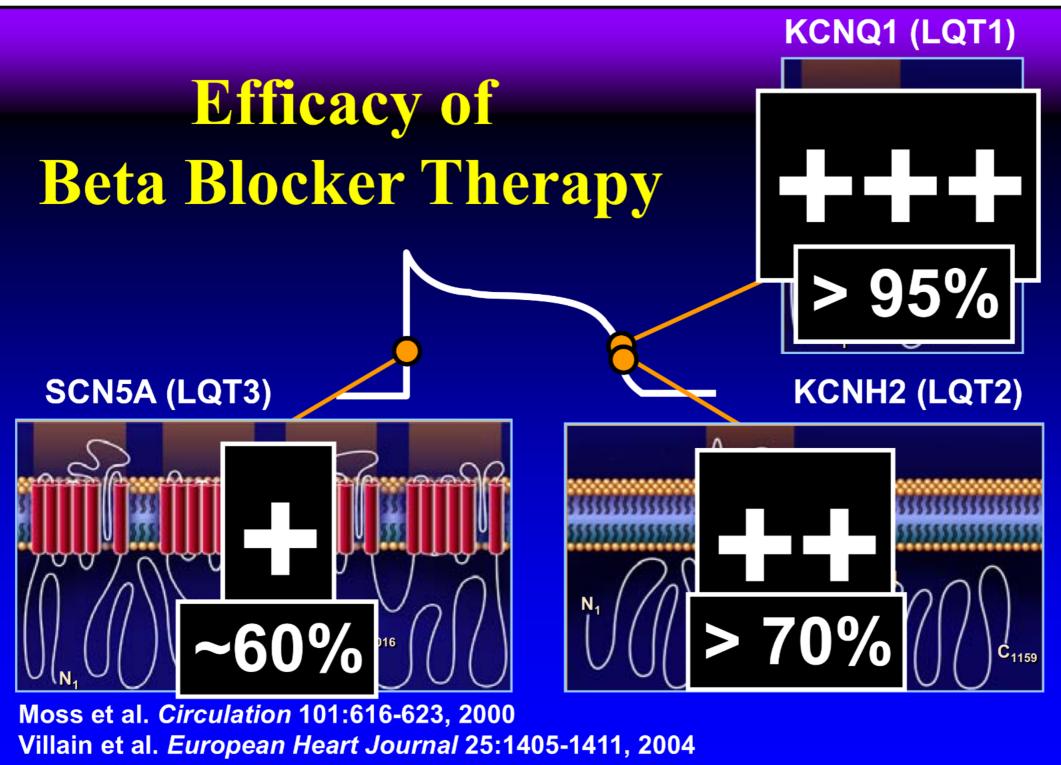


**Figure 3** Proposed "QT scale" for defining the spectrum of QT intervals, ranging from very short to very long. See text for definitions and additional tests. This is a modification of the algorithm proposed by Vincent<sup>41</sup> for long QT syndrome (LQTS). SQTS = short QT syndrome.







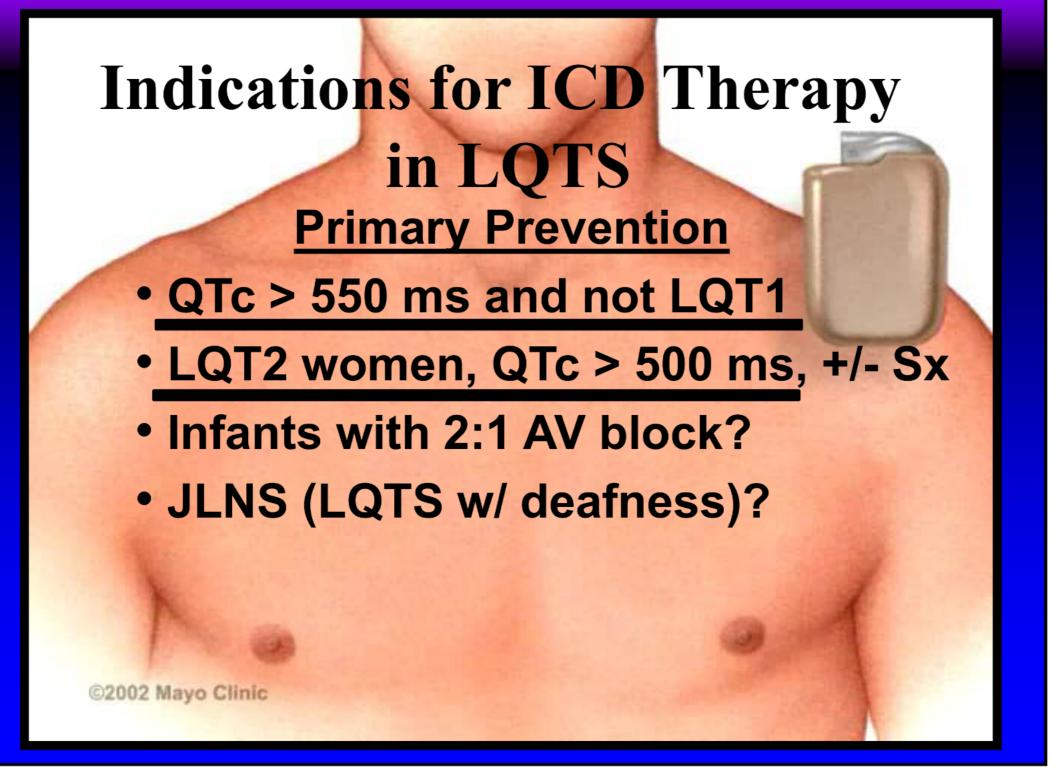


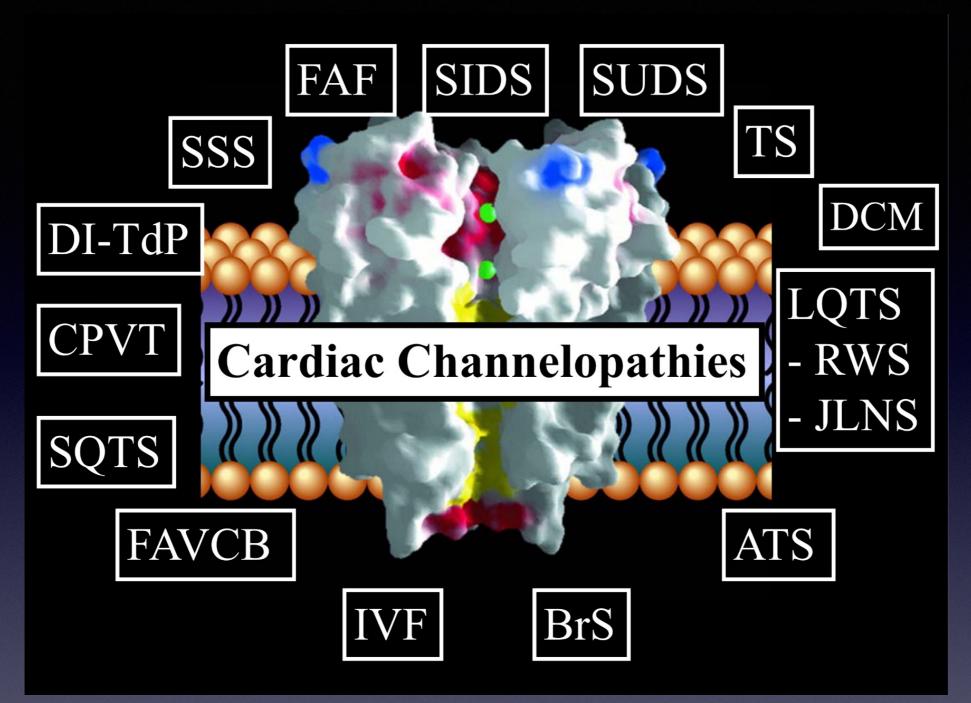
Wilde ... Ackerman. Circulation 2016 (LQT3)

Ackerman, Priori, Schwartz, Wilde. Personal LQTS Clinics, 2017

# Diagnostic, Prognostic, and Therapeutic Implications of Genetic Testing for LQTS

Disease	Diagnostic	Prognostic	Therapeutic		
LQTS	╉╋╋	╋╋╋	++		
CPVT	+++	+	_		
BrS	+	+	_		
CCD	+	+	+		
SQTS	+/-	_	_		
AF	_	_	_		
HCM	+++	++	+		
ARVC	+	+/-			
DCM	+/-	_			
LVNC	<u> </u>	_			
RCM	+	+	+		
Ackerman, Priori, et al. Heart Rhythm 8:1308-1339, 2011					





- Familial AV Conduction Block
- Drug-Induced Torsades
- Andersen Tawil Syndrome
- Timothy Syndrome, LQT8

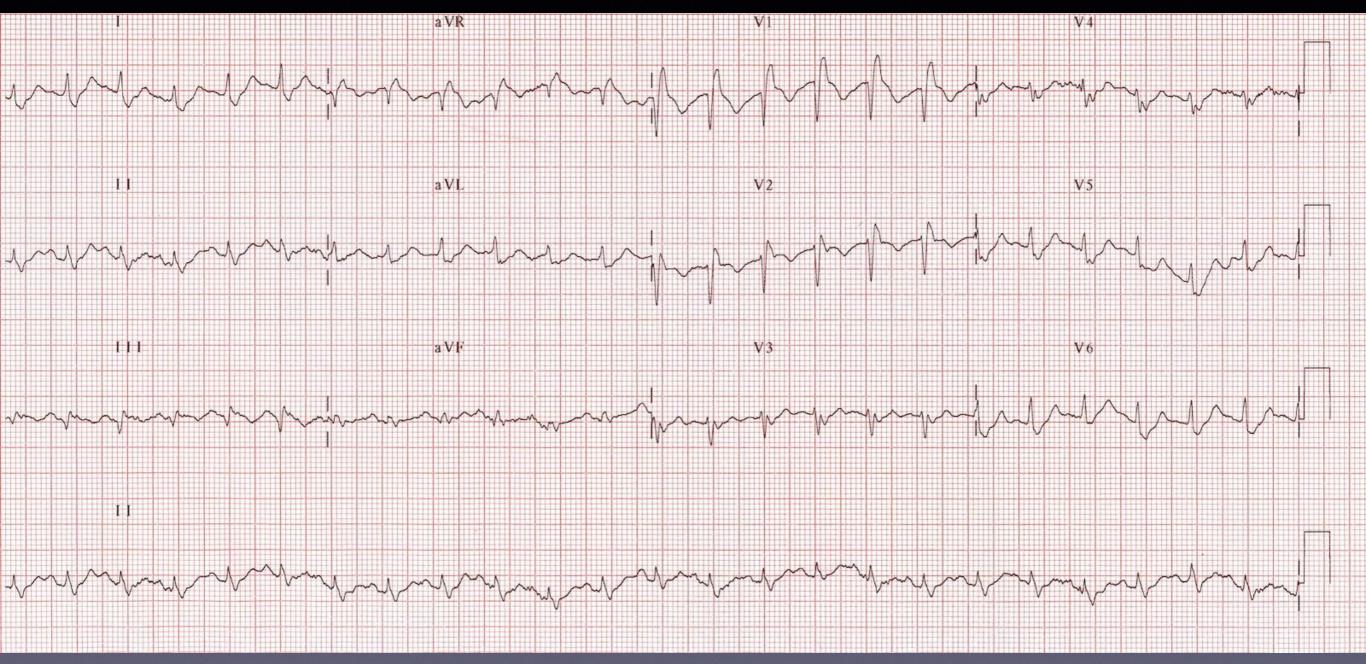
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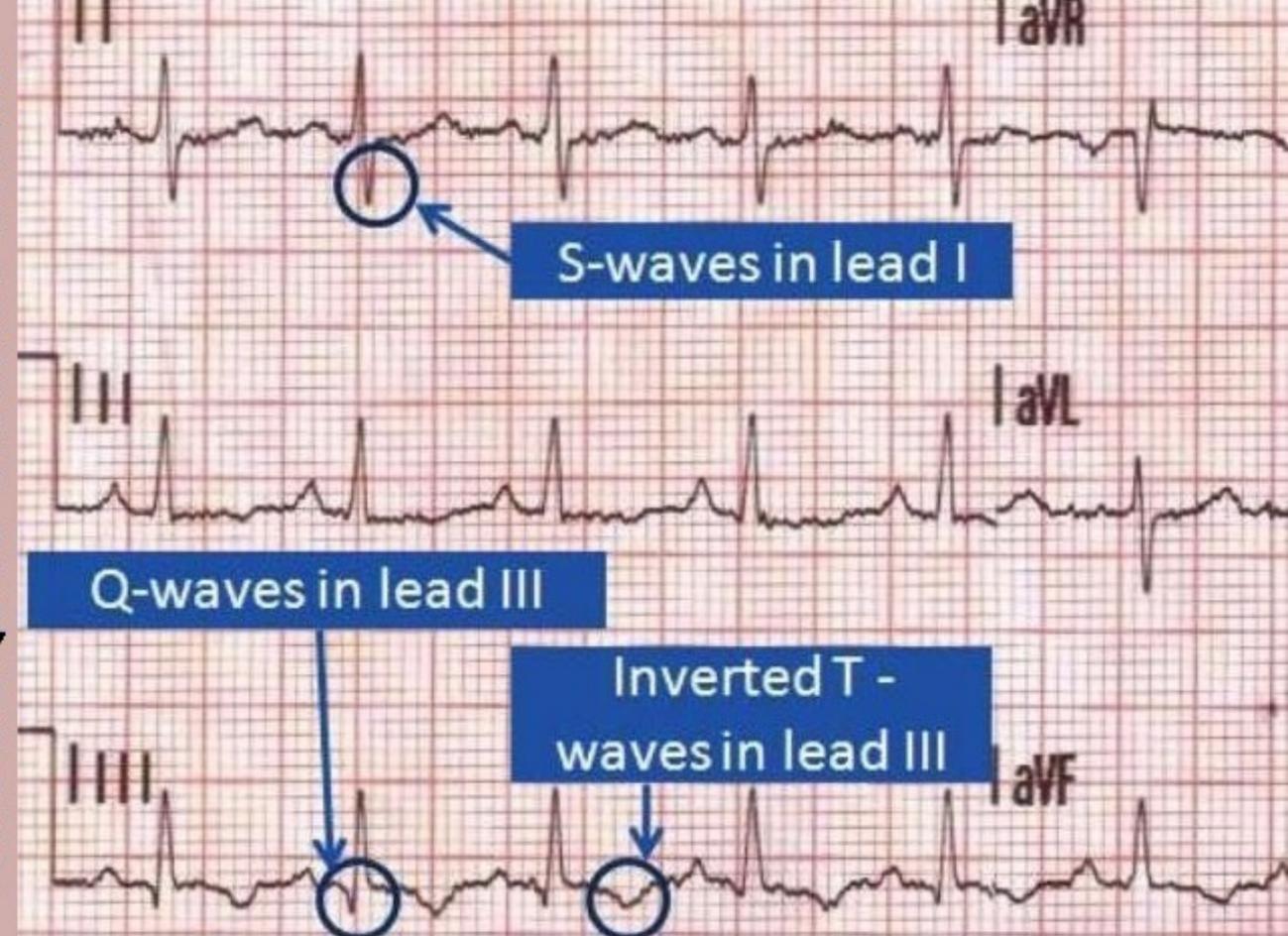
#### Table 2. Cardiac channelopathies

Disease	Channel protein	Gene
Atrial standstill	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Brugada syndrome type 1	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Brugada syndrome type 3 (short QT syndrome type 4)	Cav1.2: calcium channel, voltage-gated, L type, $\alpha$ 1C subunit	CACNA1C
Brugada syndrome type 4 (short QT syndrome type 5)	Cavβ2: calcium channel, voltage-gated, β2 subunit	CACNB2
Brugada syndrome type 5	Nav $\beta$ 1: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type I, $\beta$ subunit	SCN1B
Brugada syndrome type 6	Potassium channel, voltage-gated, lsk-related subfamily, member 3	KCNE3
Brugada syndrome type 7	Nav $\beta$ 3: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type III, $\beta$ subunit	SCN3B
Brugada syndrome type 8	Hyperpolarization-activated cyclic nucleotide-gated potassium channel 4	HCN4
Catecholaminergic polymorphic ventricular tachycardia type 1	RyR2: ryanodine receptor 2	RYR2
Dilated cardiomyopathy type 1E	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Dilated cardiomyopathy type 10	ATP-binding cassette, subfamily C, member 9 (sulfonylurea receptor 2)	ABCC9
Familial arrhythmogenic right ventricular dysplasia type 2	RyR2: ryanodine receptor 2	RYR2
Familial atrial fibrillation type 3	Kv7.1: potassium channel, voltage-gated, KQT-like subfamily, member 1	KCNQ1
Familial atrial fibrillation type 4	Potassium channel, voltage-gated, lsk-related subfamily, member 2	KCNE2
amilial atrial fibrillation type 7	Kv1.5: potassium channel, voltage-gated, shaker-related subfamily, member 5	KCNA5
amilial atrial fibrillation type 9	Kir2.1: potassium channel, inwardly-rectifying, subfamily J, member 2	KCNJ2
amilial atrial fibrillation type 10	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Familial atrial fibrillation type 12	ATP-binding cassette, subfamily C, member 9	ABCC9
lervell and Lange-Nielsen syndrome type 1	Kv7.1: potassium channel, voltage-gated, KQT-like subfamily, member 1	KCNQ1
Jervell and Lange-Nielsen syndrome type 2	Potassium channel, voltage-gated, lsk-related subfamily, member 1	KCNE1
Long QT syndrome type 1	Kv7.1: potassium channel, voltage-gated, KQT-like subfamily, member 1	KCNQ1
Long QT syndrome type 2	Kv11.1: potassium channel, voltage-gated, subfamily H, member 2	KCNH2
Long QT syndrome type 3	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
ong QT syndrome type 5	Potassium channel, voltage-gated, lsk-related subfamily, member 1	KCNE1
Long QT syndrome type 6	Potassium channel, voltage-gated, lsk-related subfamily, member 2	KCNE2
ong QT syndrome type 7 (Andersen-Tawil syndrome)	Kir2.1: potassium channel, inwardly-rectifying, subfamily J, member 2	KCNJ2
ong QT syndrome type 8 (Timothy syndrome)	Cav1.2: calcium channel, voltage-gated, L type, α1C subunit	CACNA1C
Long QT syndrome type 10	Navβ4: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type IV, β subunit	SCN4B
ong QT syndrome type 13	Kir3.4: potassium channel, inwardly-rectifying, subfamily J, member 5	KCNJ5
Nonprogressive familial heart block	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Paroxysmal familial ventricular fibrillation, type 1	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Pogressive familial heart block type IA (Lenegre-Lev syndrome)	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Pogressive familial heart block type IB	Transient receptor potential cation channel, subfamily M, member 4	TRPM4
Short QT syndrome type 1	Kv11.1: potassium channel, voltage-gated, subfamily H, member 2	KCNH2
Short QT syndrome type 2	Kv7.1: potassium channel, voltage-gated, KQT-like subfamily, member 1	KCNQ1
Short QT syndrome type 3	Kir2.1: potassium channel, inwardly-rectifying, subfamily J, member 2	KCNJ2
Short QT syndrome type 4 (Brugada syndrome type 3)	Cav1.2: calcium channel, voltage-gated, L type, $\alpha$ 1C subunit	CACNA1C
Short QT syndrome type 5 (Brugada syndrome type 4)	CavB2: calcium channel, voltage-gated, B2 subunit	CACNB2
Short QT syndrome type 6	Cav $\alpha$ 2 $\delta$ 1: calcium channel, voltage-gated, $\alpha$ 2/ $\delta$ 1 subunit	CACNA2D
Sick sinus syndrome type 1, autosomal-recessive	Nav1.5: sodium channel, voltage-gated, type V, $\alpha$ subunit	SCN5A
Sick sinus syndrome type 2, autosomal-dominant	Hyperpolarization-activated cyclic nucleotide-gated potassium channel 4	HCN4



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# Pattern Classic ECG S1Q3T3



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#### **ST Elevation V1**

ST elevations in right-sided leads are more likely to be found when pulmonary embolism is massive and associated with cardiogenic shock.<sup>9</sup>

#### ST Elevation aVR

#### **Changes in Rhythm**

#### Sinus Tachycardia

Sinus tachycardia is associated with acute pulmonary embolism but is only 28%-38% sensitive.<sup>7,10</sup> The positive likelihood ratio for tachycardia is 1.8 (1.5–2.2).<sup>7</sup>

Atrial Fibrillation

Signs of RV Strain

#### **Right Ventricular Conduction Delay**

An R' may be present in lead V1. Both incomplete and complete right bundle branch blocks are insensitive findings (10%–12% prevalence).<sup>10</sup>

#### **Right Axis Deviation**

This may occur when there is severe right heart strain.

#### S1Q3T3

S and Q waves (1.5-mm deep) associated with a T-wave inversion in lead III is another insensitive finding (found in 8.5% of patients with PE).<sup>7</sup>

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#### ECG Abnormalities Associated with Pulmonary Embolism

The electrocardiogram is one of the first diagnostic tests performed in patients suspected of having pulmonary embolism. Many of the classical findings taught to occur in association with acute pulmonary embolism are insensitive. Some depolarization and repolarization abnormalities, however, are specific to pulmonary embolism and predictive of poor prognosis.

#### **T-Wave Inversions**

Patients with severe PE often have inverted T waves. T-wave inversions are prognostic of poor outcome.

#### Anterior Precordial Leads

T-wave inversion in V1 most common.

T-wave inversion in V1-V4 is 98% specific for PE (positive LR 3.7 [2.4-6.1]).<sup>7</sup>

T-wave inversions will be deepest in leads V1-V2 in patients with acute pulmonary embolism and in leads V3-V4 in patients with acute coronary syndrome.<sup>8</sup>

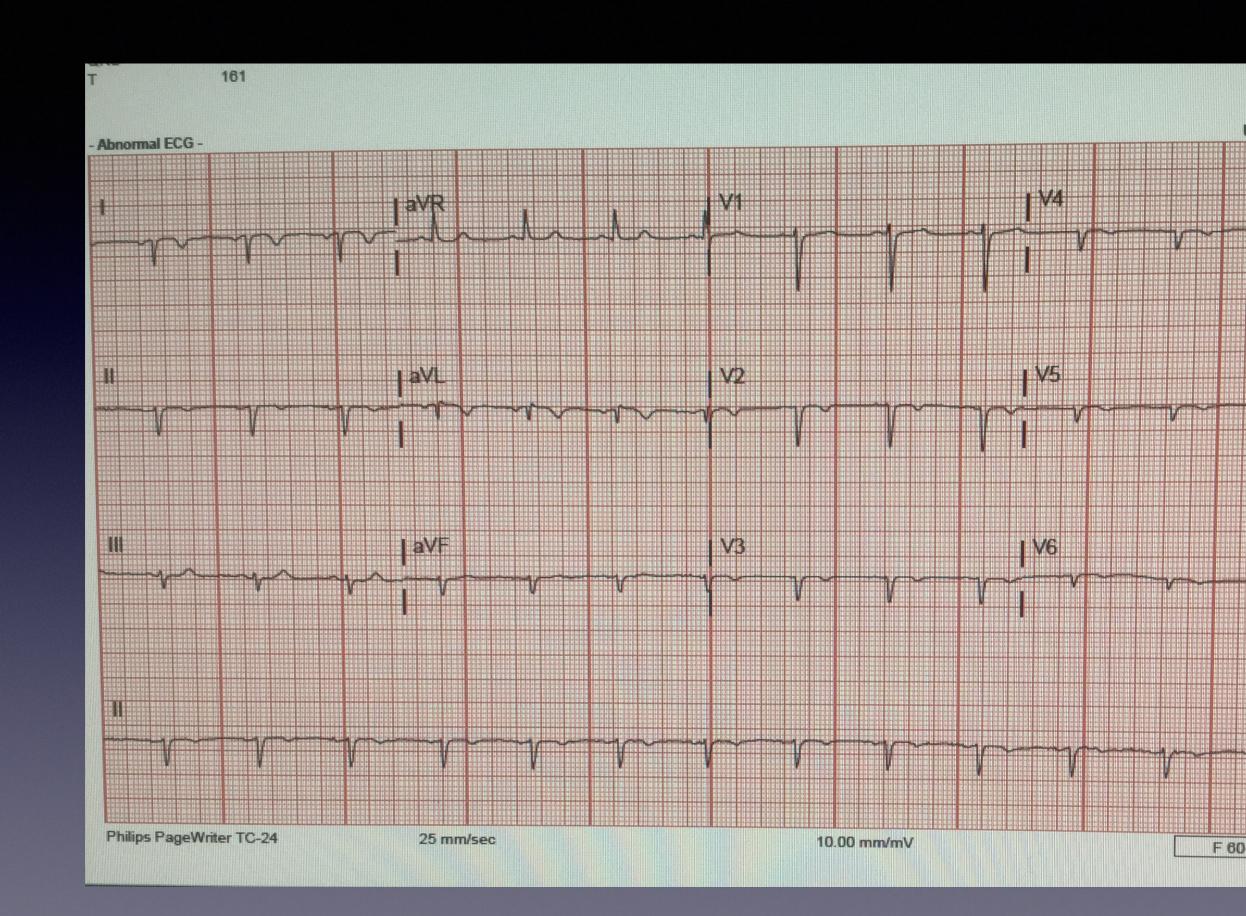
#### Lead III/Inferior Leads

The presence of negative T waves in lead III in conjunction with T-wave inversion in V1 has been shown to be more specific for acute pulmonary embolism, differentiating it from acute coronary syndrome.<sup>8</sup>

#### ST Elevation V1

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#### ST Elevation aVR







## Second Degree A-V Block – Mobitz Type I – Wenckebach AV Block

# 2nd degree heart block

Divided in to two types
 Type 1 - Wenkeback (Mobitz type I)
 Type 2 - Mobitz type II

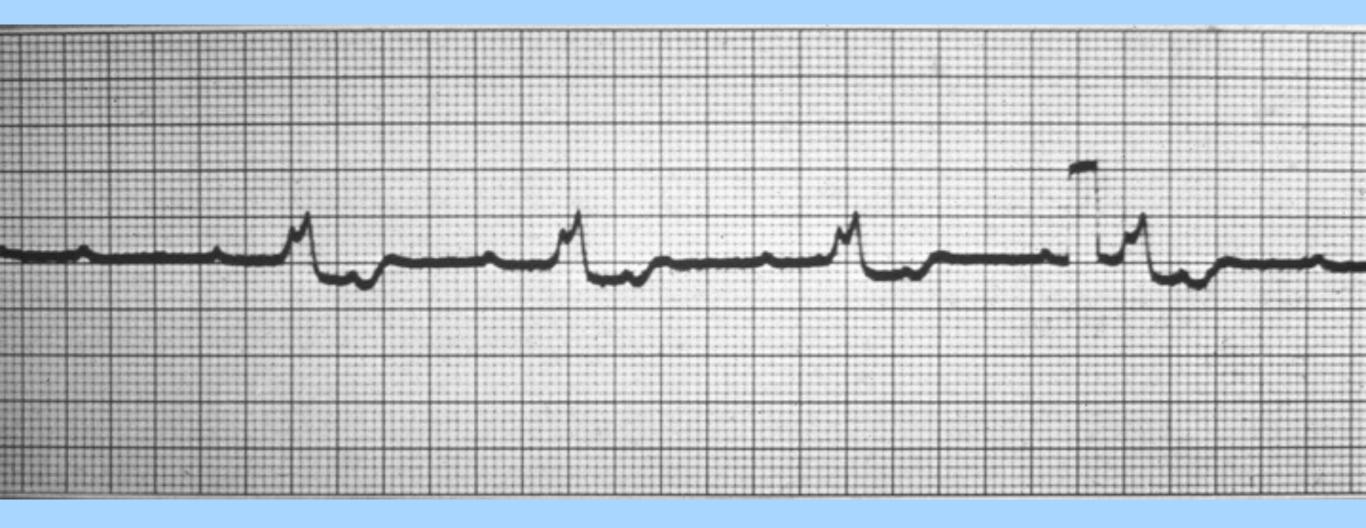
# 2nd Degree AV Block, Type I

PR interval progressively lengthens

> One non conducted beat- (P wave not followed by QRS).

Following beat has shorter PR interval

Etiology: Each successive atrial impulse encounters a longer and longer delay in the AV node until one impulse (usually the 3rd or 4th) fails to make it through the AV node.



## Second Degree A-V Block – Mobitz Type II

Mobitz II	A-V blockPR of constant	Constant PR interval until	Likely to progress to CHB	Indra-Mal
	interval	P waved dropped with P-P		
		interval twice normal		
Wenckebach	A-V blockPR of increasing	Lengthening PR interval	Need follow up but less	-hh-
	interval	until P waved dropped with	likely to progress to CHB	
		P-P interval variable.		
		Grouped beats		