



Repolarisation précoce – quand s'inquiéter

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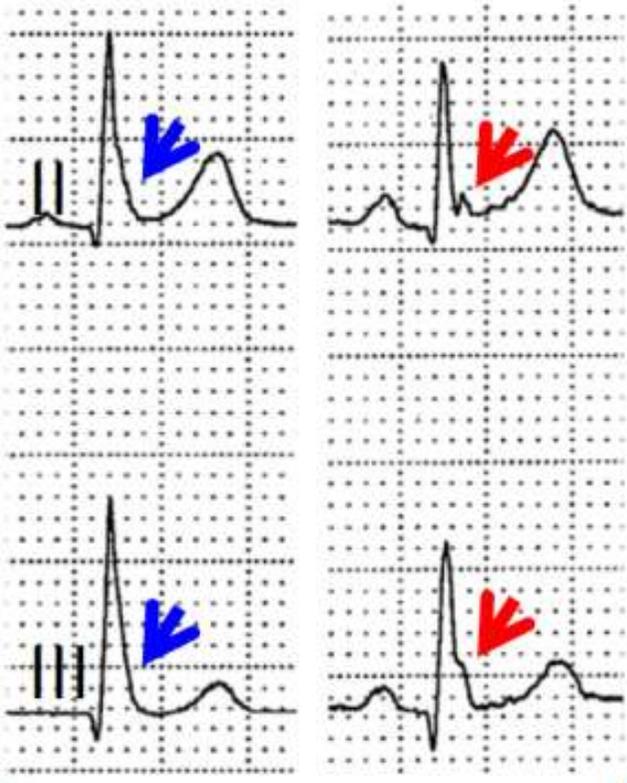


La repolarisation précoce

Onde J

Slur

Notched

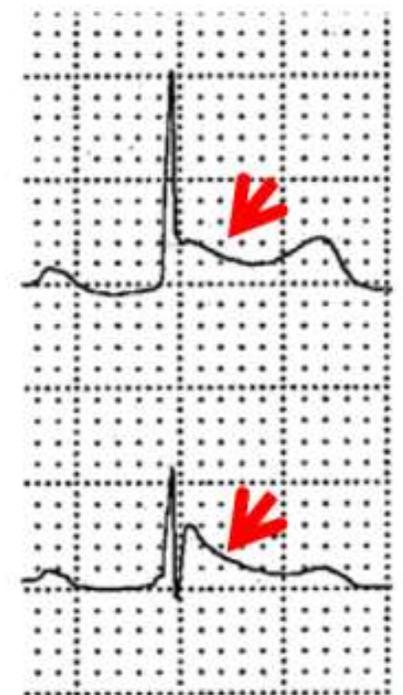
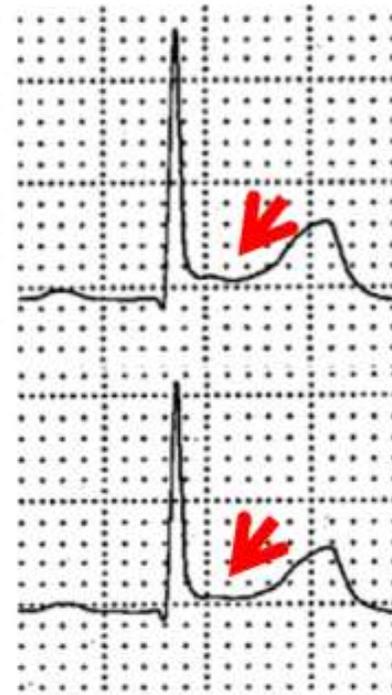
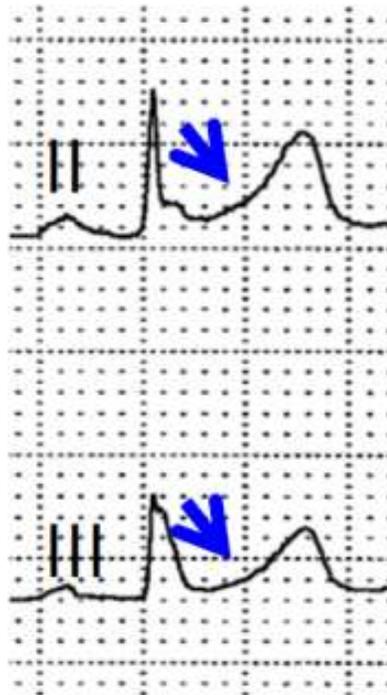


Segment ST

Ascending/
up-sloping

Horizontal

Descending



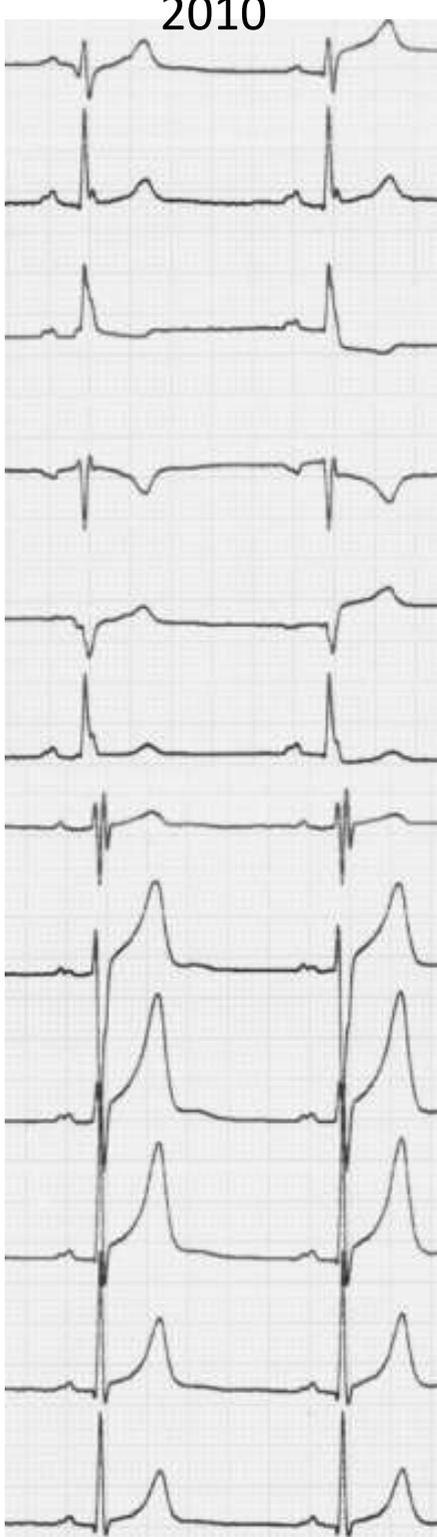
C... D..., 57 years-old male

- Sport ++ (bicycle 10 hours /week)
- PMH :
 - Duodenal ulcer
- Risk factors:
 - former smoker (30 P-Y)
 - mother died from MI at 62
 - high cholesterol treated by statins (pravastatin 40 mg/day)

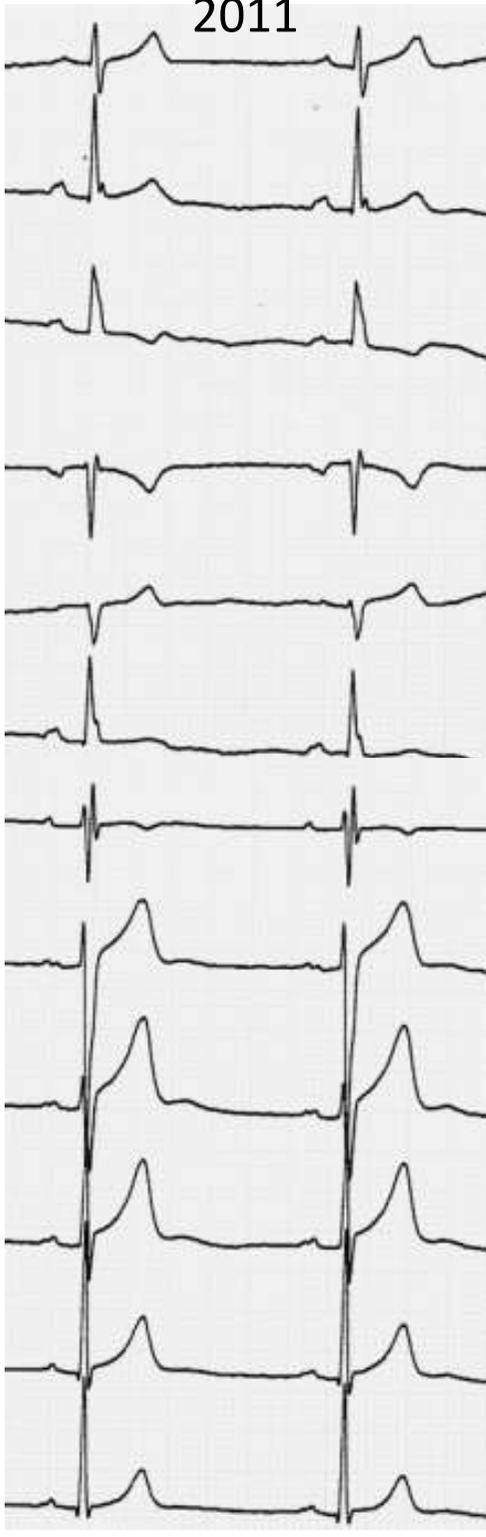
2009



2010



2011



2013



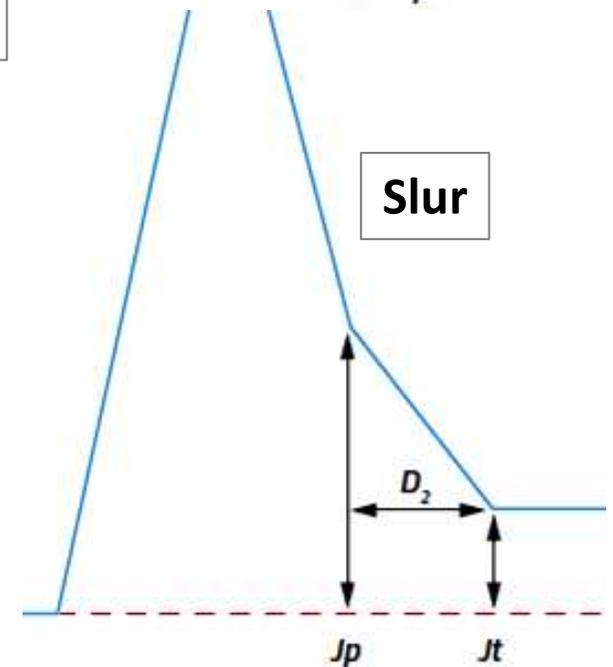
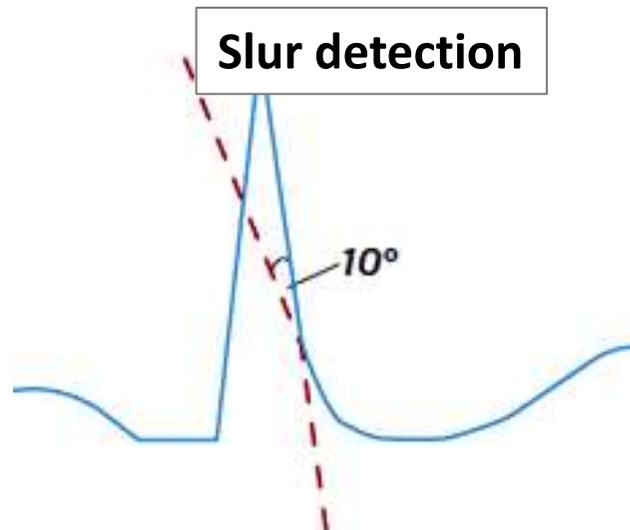
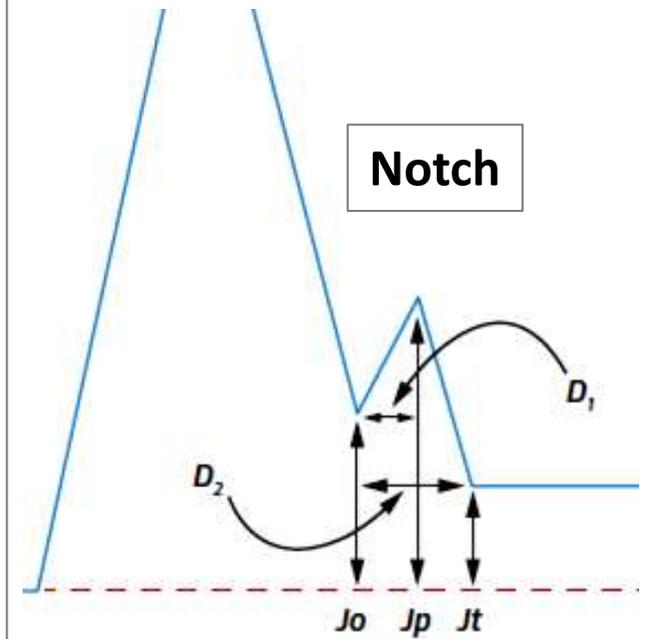
25 mm/s
10 mm/mV

DEFINITION



“Early repolarization” is present if **all** of the following criteria are met:

1. End-QRS **notch or slur** on the downslope of R-wave (notch or onset of slur entirely above the baseline)
2. J_p is ≥ 0.1 mV in 2 or more contiguous leads of the 12-lead ECG, excluding leads V_1 - V_3 .
3. QRS duration is < 120 ms.





Syndrôme de repolarisation précoce (ERS) – diagnostic

Point:

I. Clinical History	
A. Unexplained cardiac arrest, documented VF or polymorphic VT	3
B. Suspected arrhythmic syncope	2
C. Syncope of unclear mechanism/unclear etiology	1
<i>*Only award points once for highest score within this category</i>	
II. Twelve-Lead ECG	
A. ER ≥ 0.2 mV in ≥ 2 inferior and/or lateral ECG leads with horizontal/descending ST segment	2
B. Dynamic changes in J-point elevation (≥ 0.1 mV) in ≥ 2 inferior and/or lateral ECG leads	1.5
C. ≥ 0.1 mV J-point elevation in at least 2 inferior and/or lateral ECG leads	1
<i>*Only award points once for highest score within this category</i>	
III. Ambulatory ECG Monitoring	
A. Short-coupled PVCs with R on ascending limb or peak of T wave	2
IV. Family History	
A. Relative with definite ERS	2
B. ≥ 2 first-degree relatives with a II.A. ECG pattern	2
C. First-degree relative with a II.A. ECG pattern	1
D. Unexplained sudden cardiac death < 45 years in a first- or second-degree relative	0.5
<i>*Only award points once for highest score within this category</i>	
V. Genetic Test Result	
A. Probable pathogenic ERS susceptibility mutation	0.5

J-Wave syndromes expert consensus conference report

Shanghai Score System for diagnosis of ERS

Score (requires at least 1 ECG finding)

≥ 5 points: Probable/definite ERS

3–4.5 points: Possible ERS

< 3 points: Nondiagnostic

2014: 24 h 12 leads Holter ECG



Predominant morphology (99% of PVC): 805 isolated, 26 doubles, 6 triples

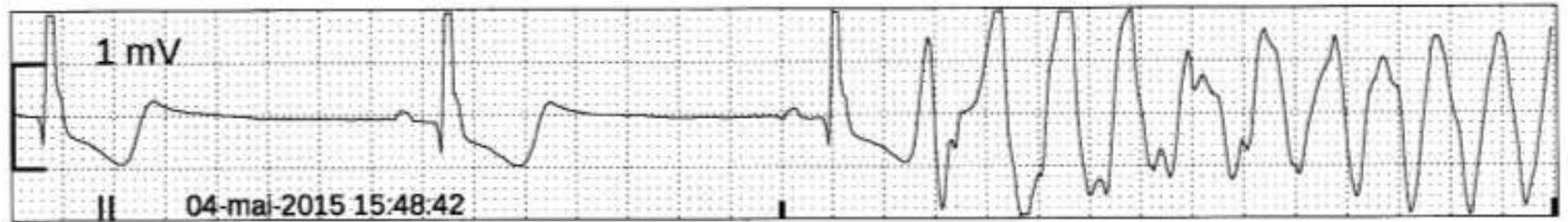
Sudden cardiac death on May 4, 2015

- lost consciousness while working (manual worker)
- 1st defibrillation at 5 minutes
- one VF recurrence while being prepared for angiocoronarography (normal)
- LVEF 55%

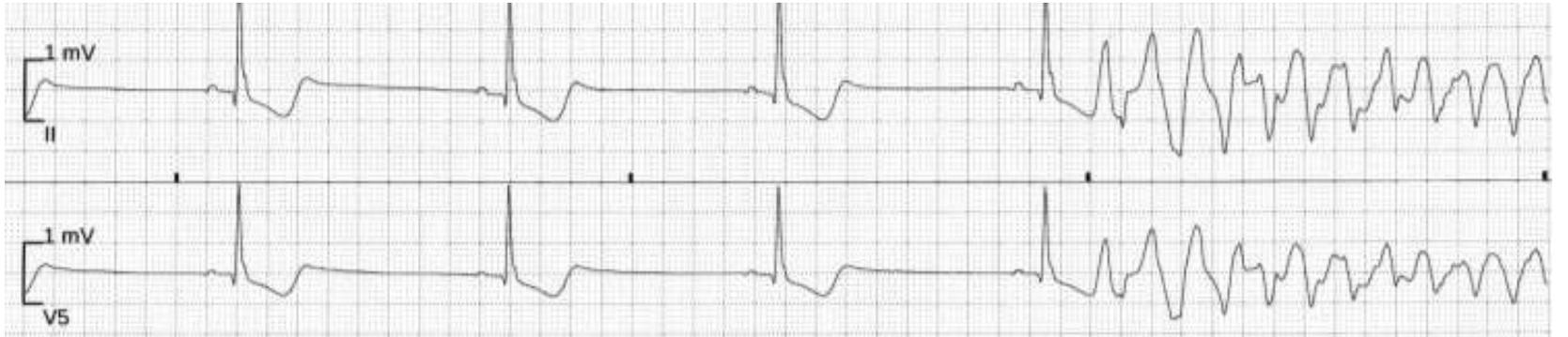
- 3 other VF recurrences during the first 24 hours despite profound sedation, therapeutic hypothermia, IV betablocker, lidocaine and amiodarone
- no significant troponine increase (initial H1<0.05, H8=1.03, H21=0.25, H45=0.05) (not HS troponin!)
- normal blood tests (K=4.12)

- H24- H48: no VF recurrence under oral atenolol 50 mg
- sedation stopped at H48, complete neurological recovery (Glasgow 15)
- transfer to our center

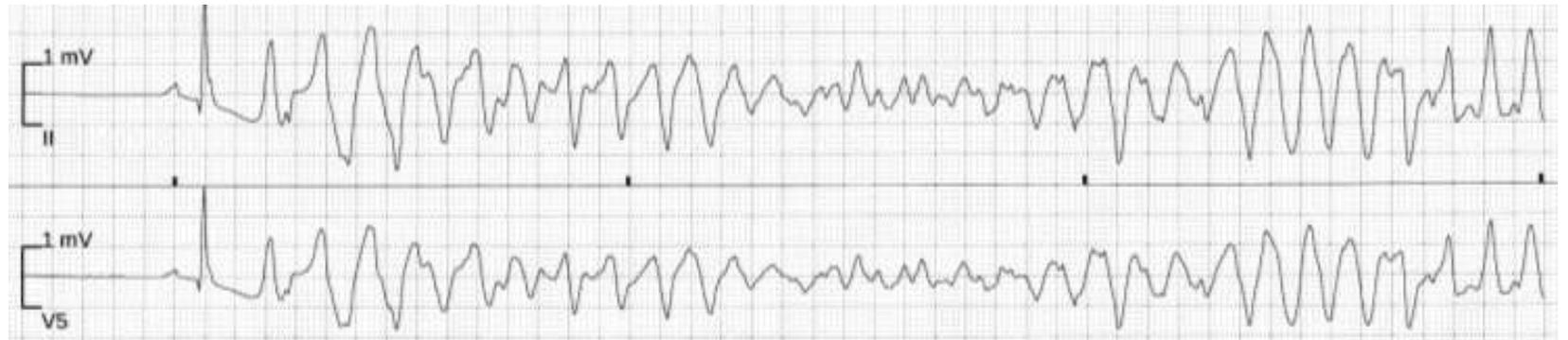
May 4
15:48



May 4
23:50



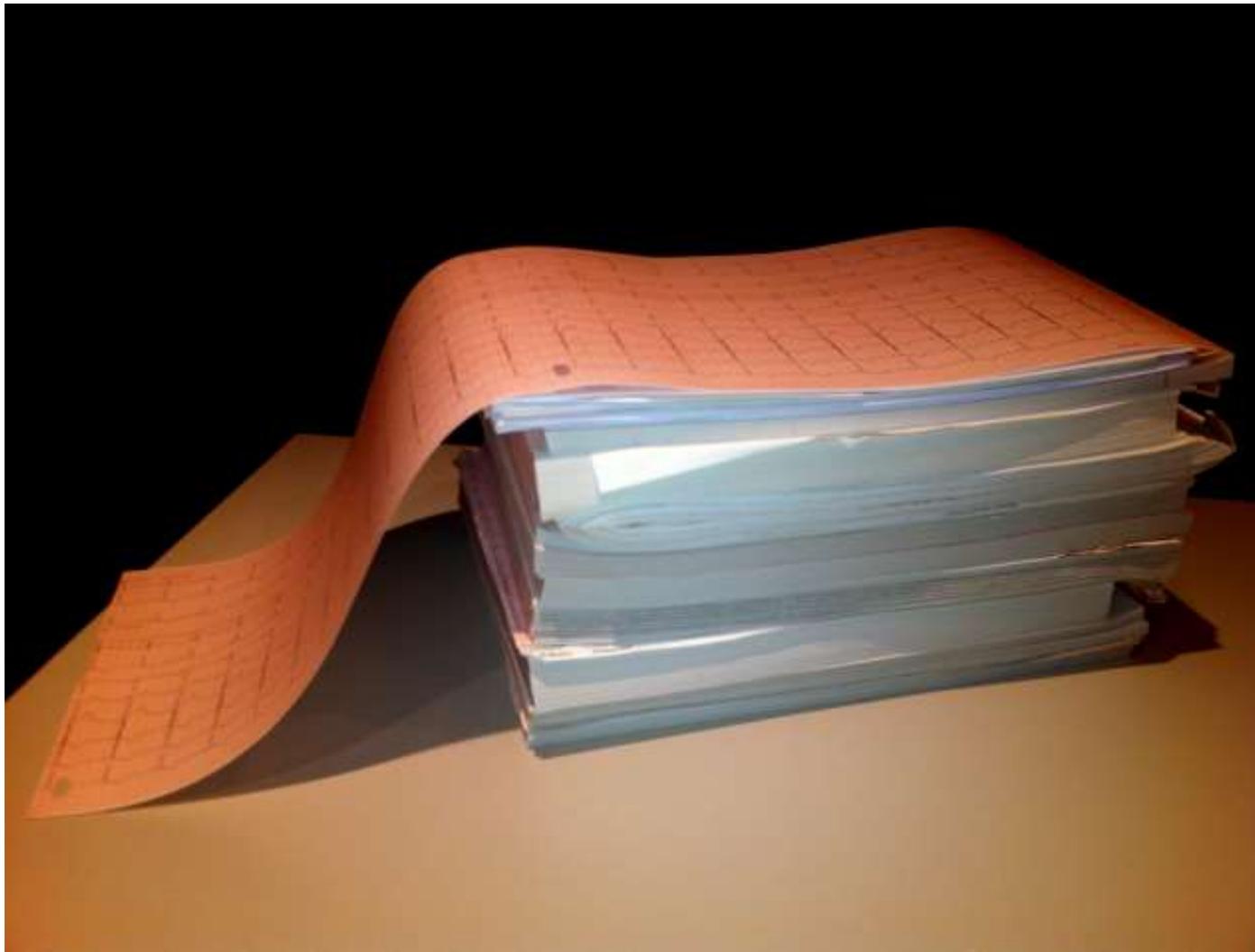
May 5
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May 5
16:25



Continuous 12 lead ECG monitoring



17 cm

03:31

03:36

03:42

04:05

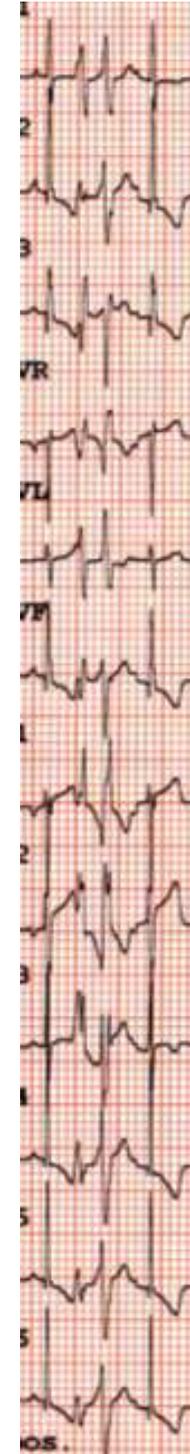
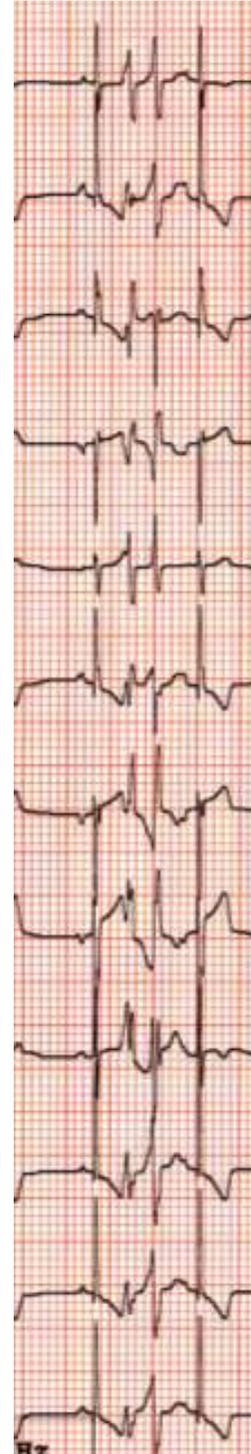
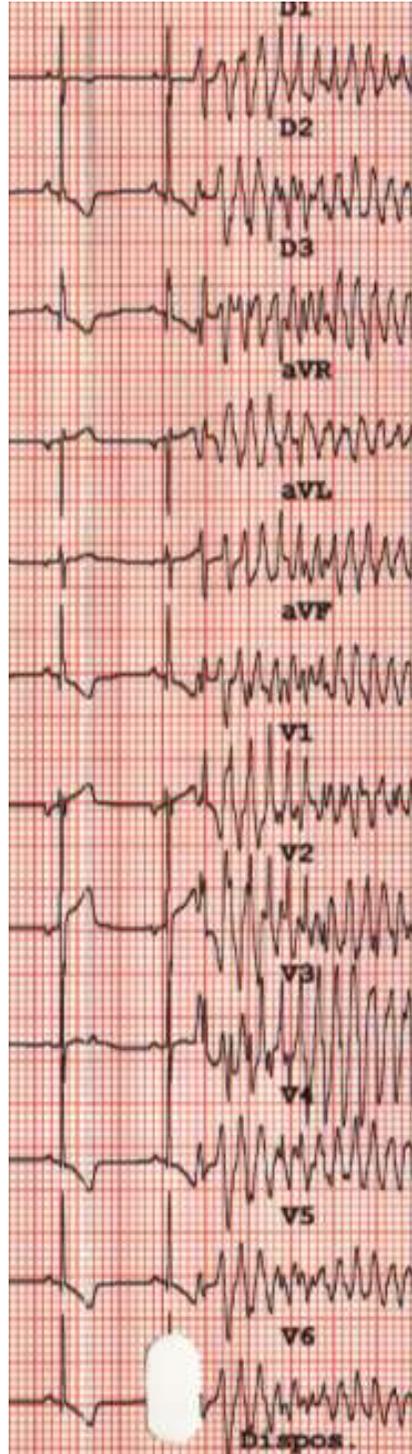
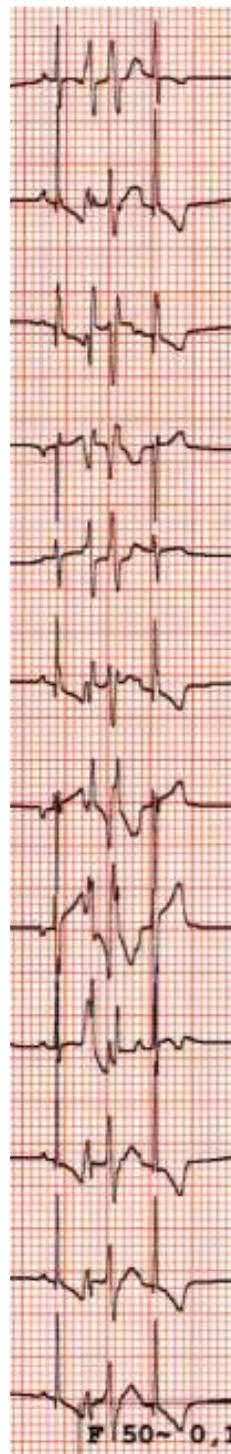
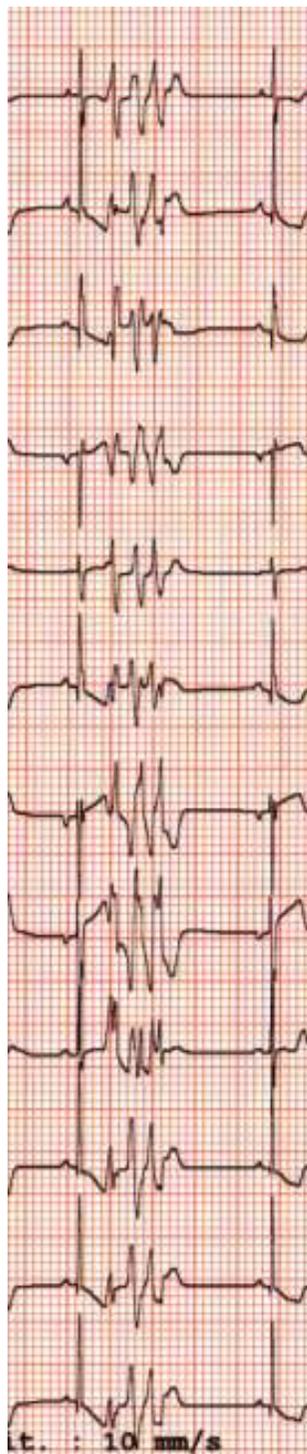


04:12

04:14

04:15

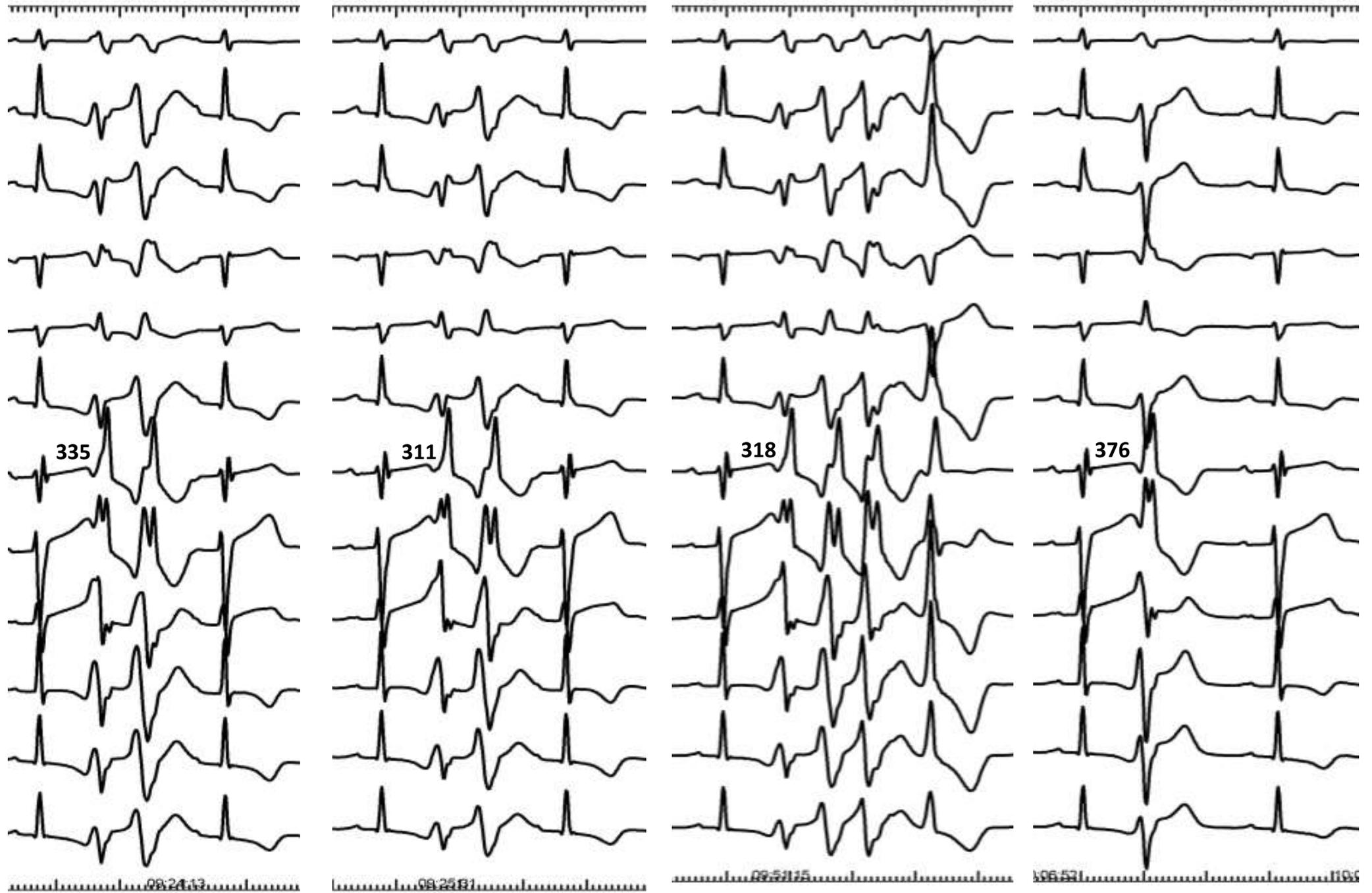
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ispos



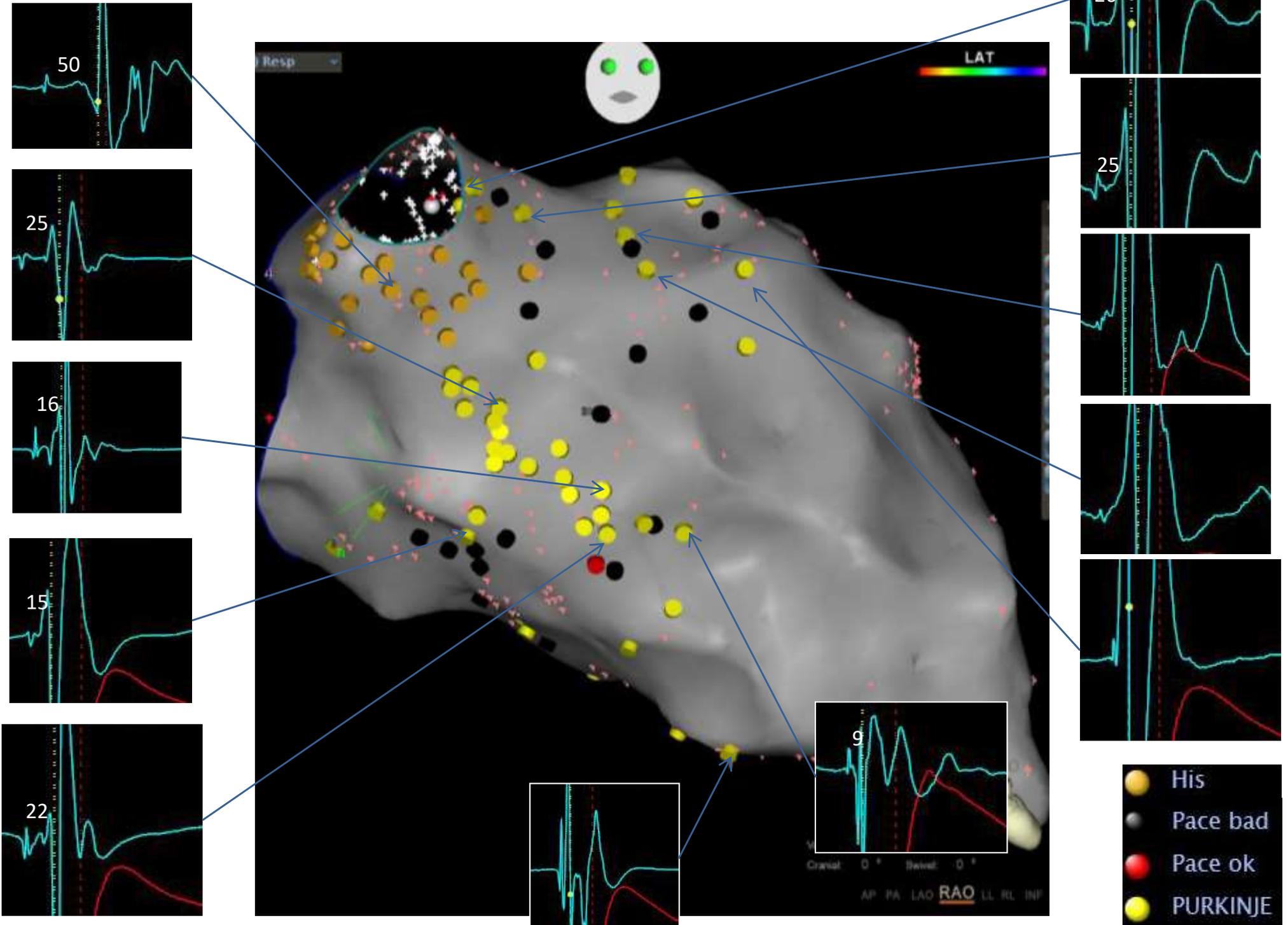
In total:

- 3 VF on May 7, 2015:
 - 02:34
 - 04:05
 - 04:16
- RF ablation on May 7

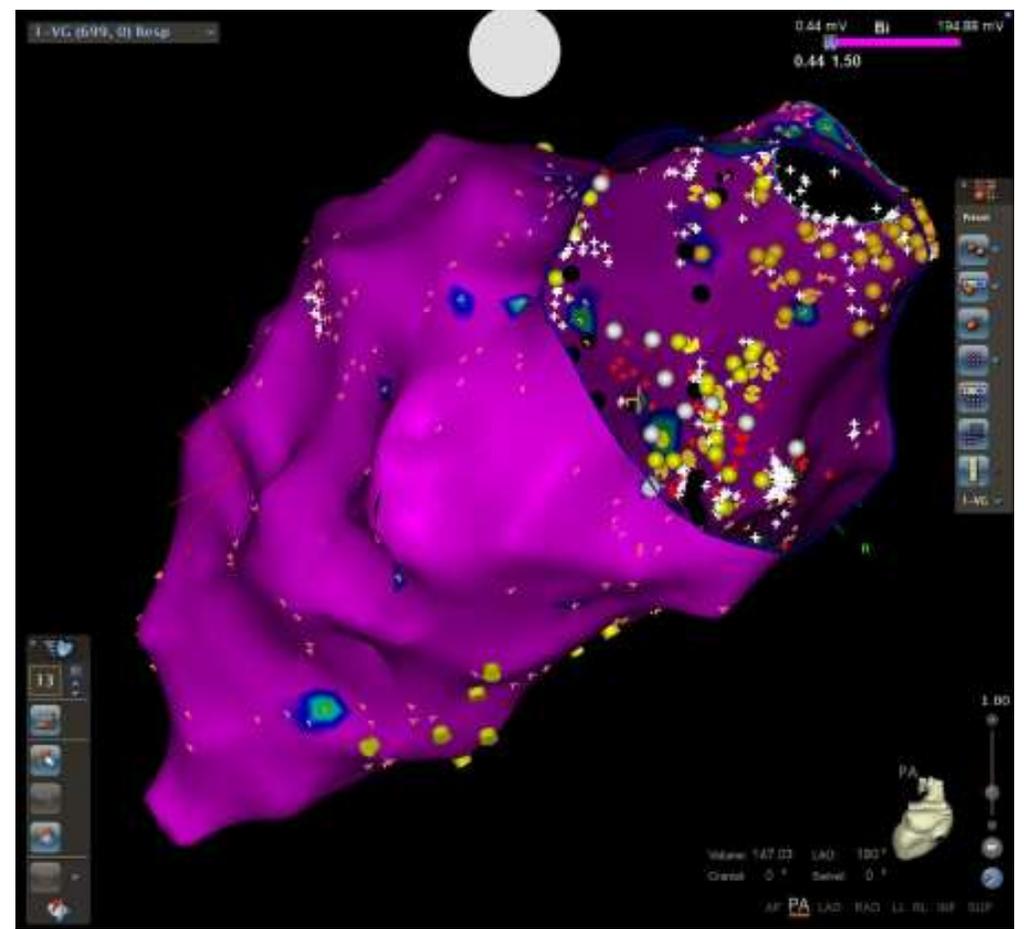
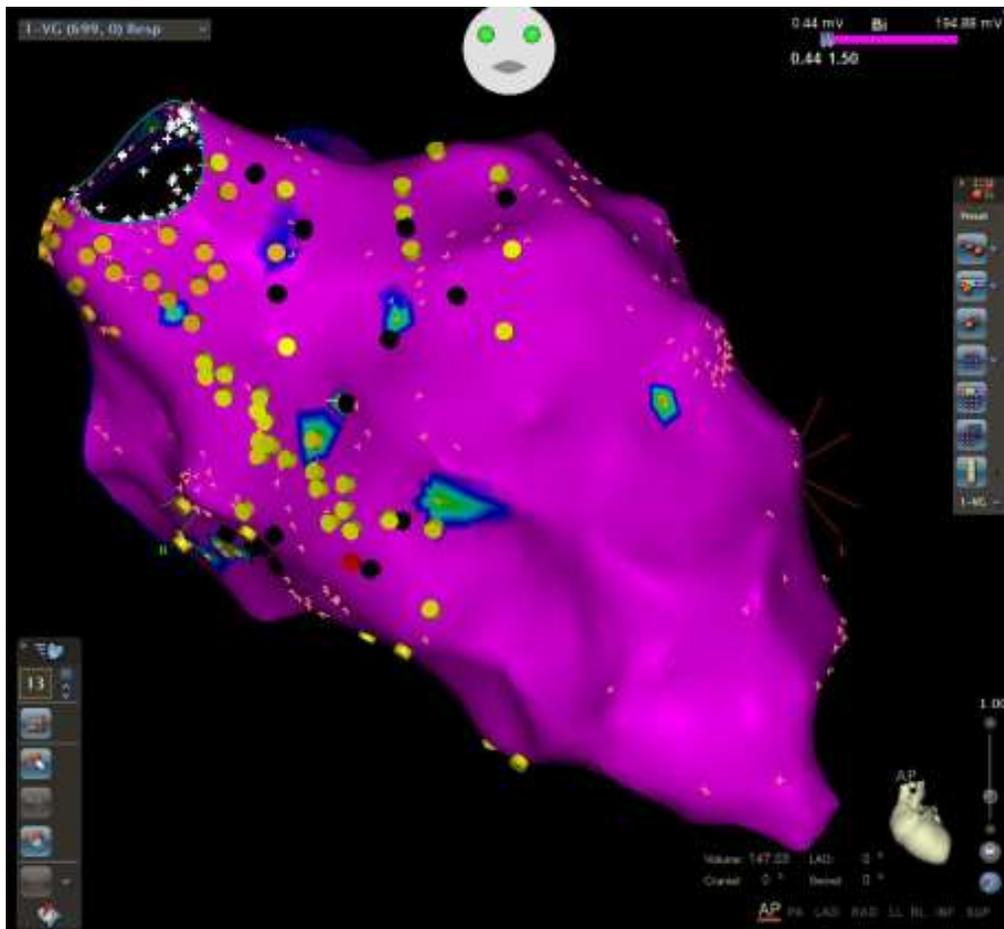
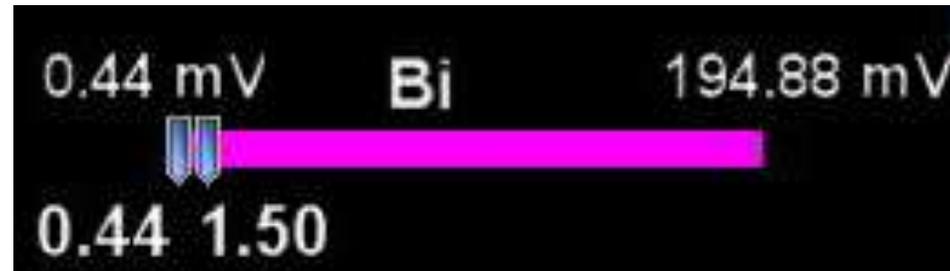
Spontaneous PVC's during the whole procedure



LV in SR



LV bipolar voltage



1-VG (699, 0) Resp

LAT

8 ohm Imp 16 ohm

1.02 s T.Time 39.37 s

10.00 10.00

Preset

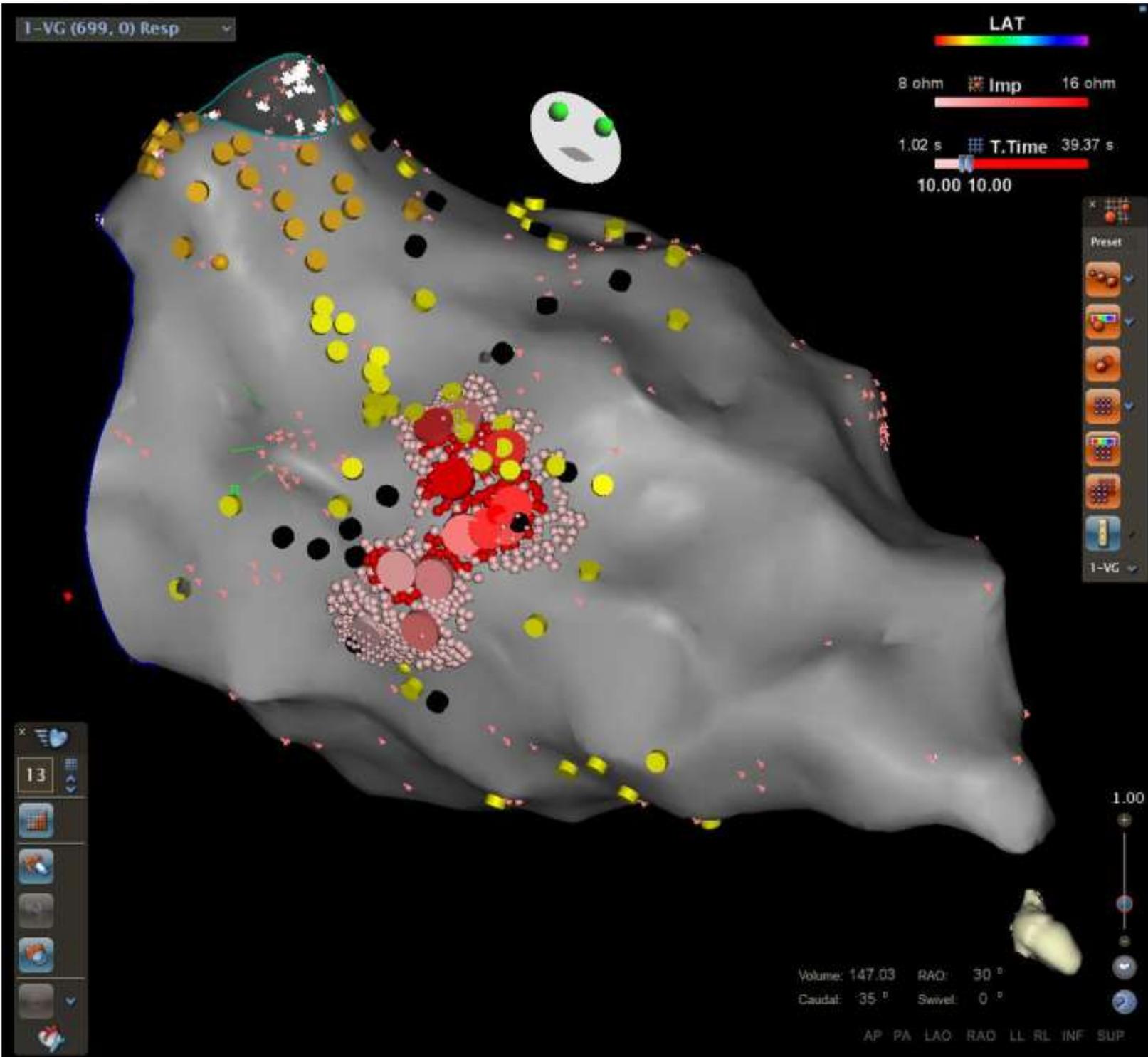
1-VG

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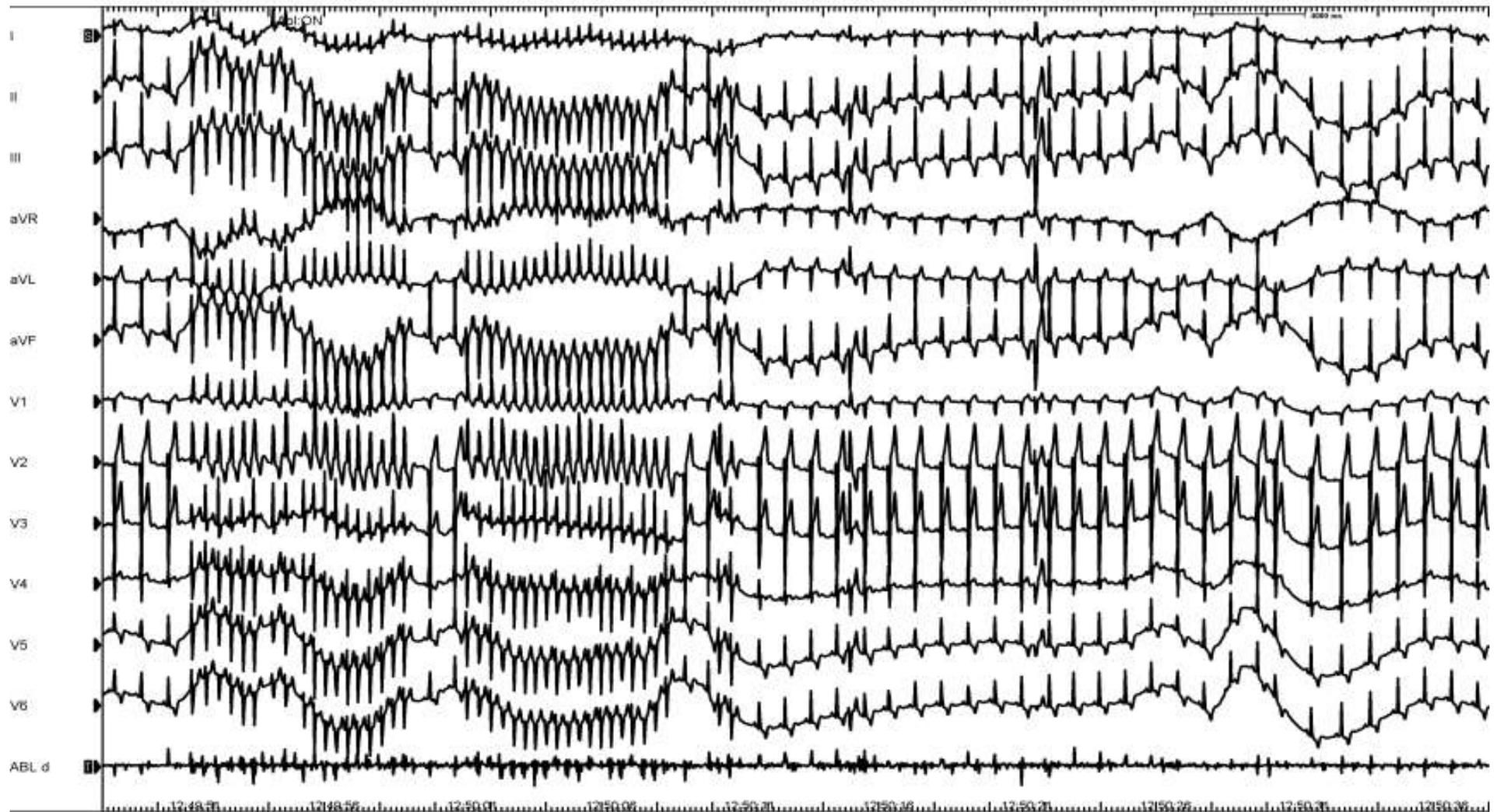
1.00

Volume: 147.03 RAO: 30 °
Caudal: 35 ° Swivel: 0 °

AP PA LAO RAO LL RL INF SUP

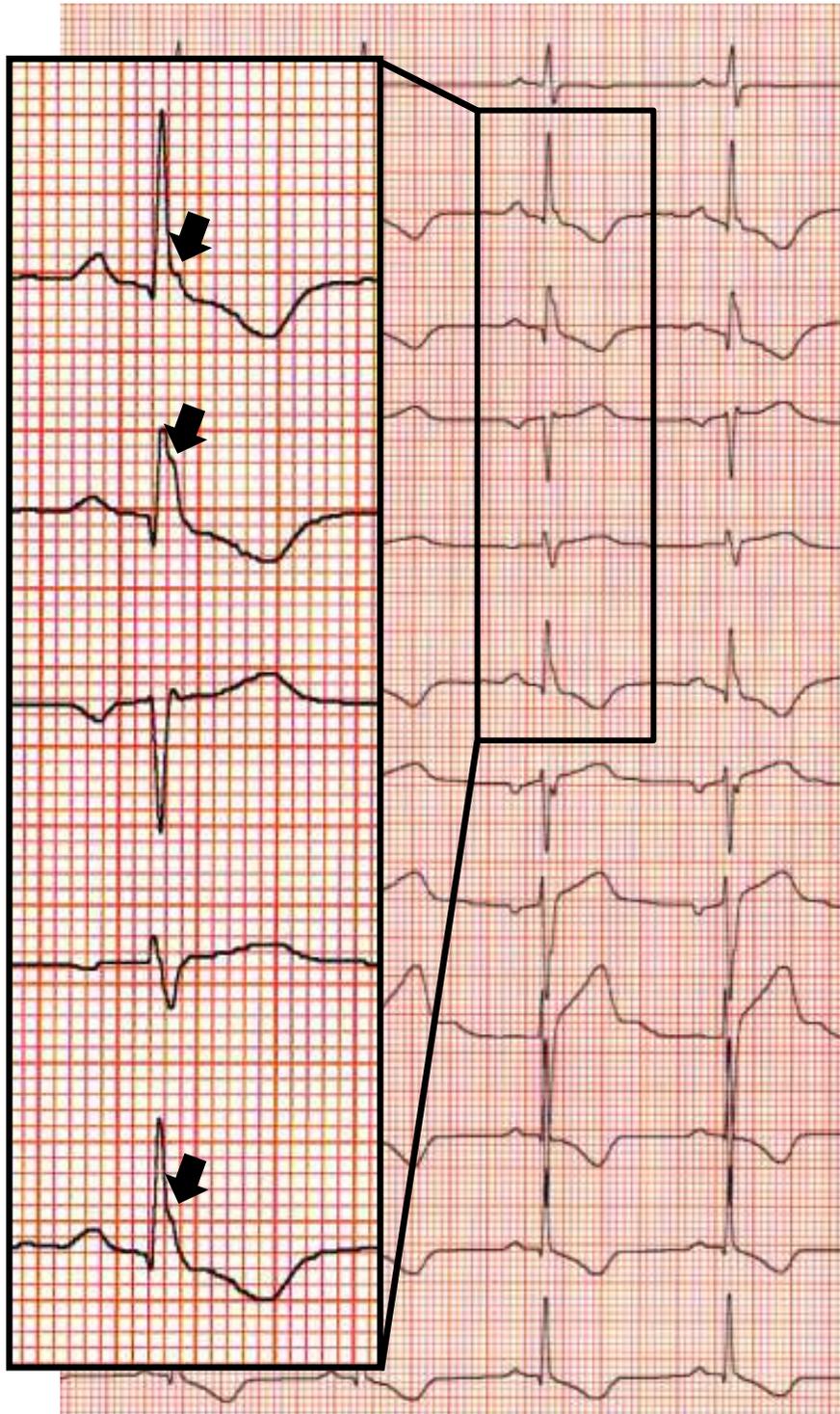


Brief thermal response (same RF)

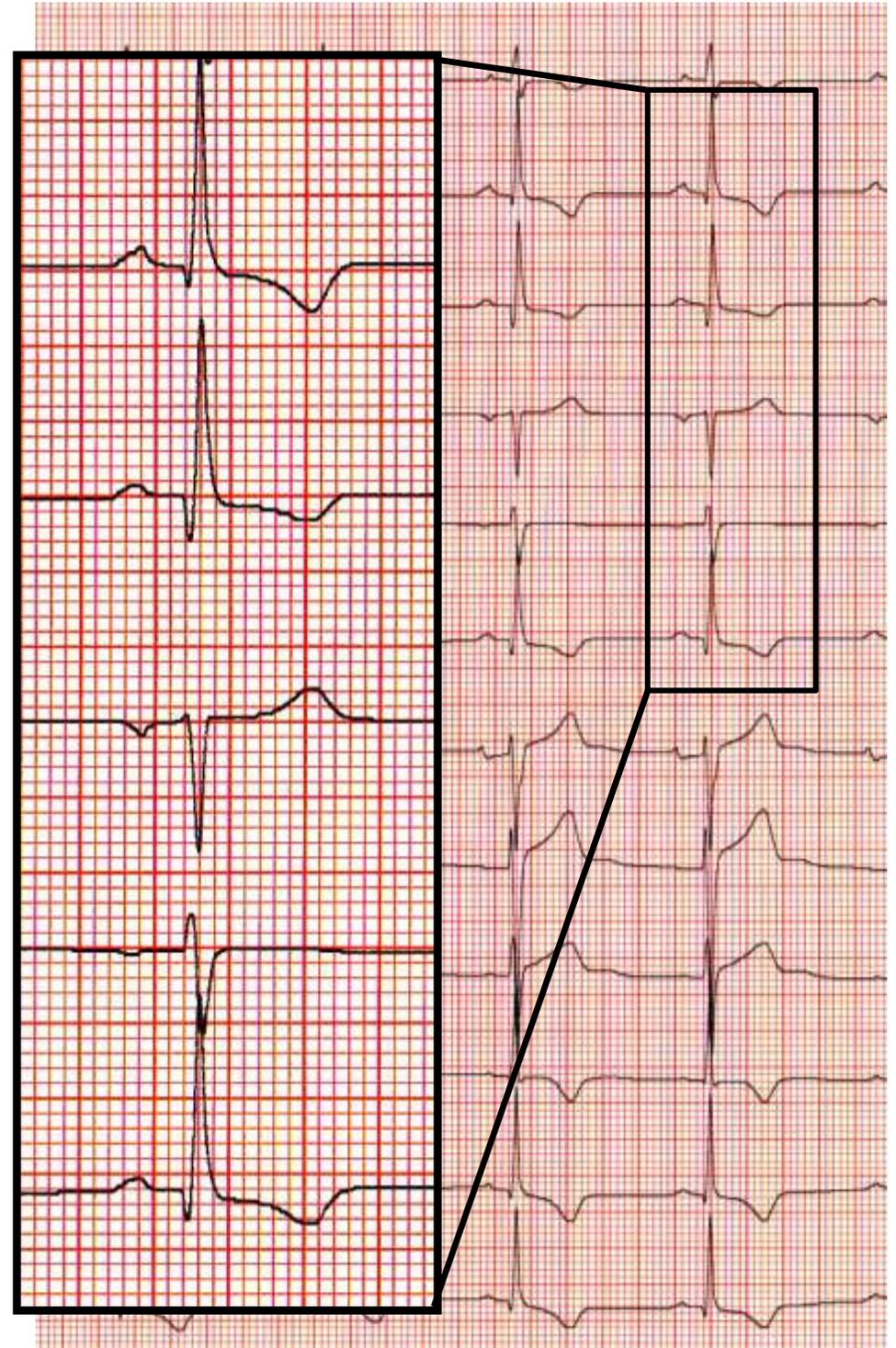


In the ward

Before ablation



After ablation



Ablation of Left Ventricular Substrate in Early Repolarization Syndrome

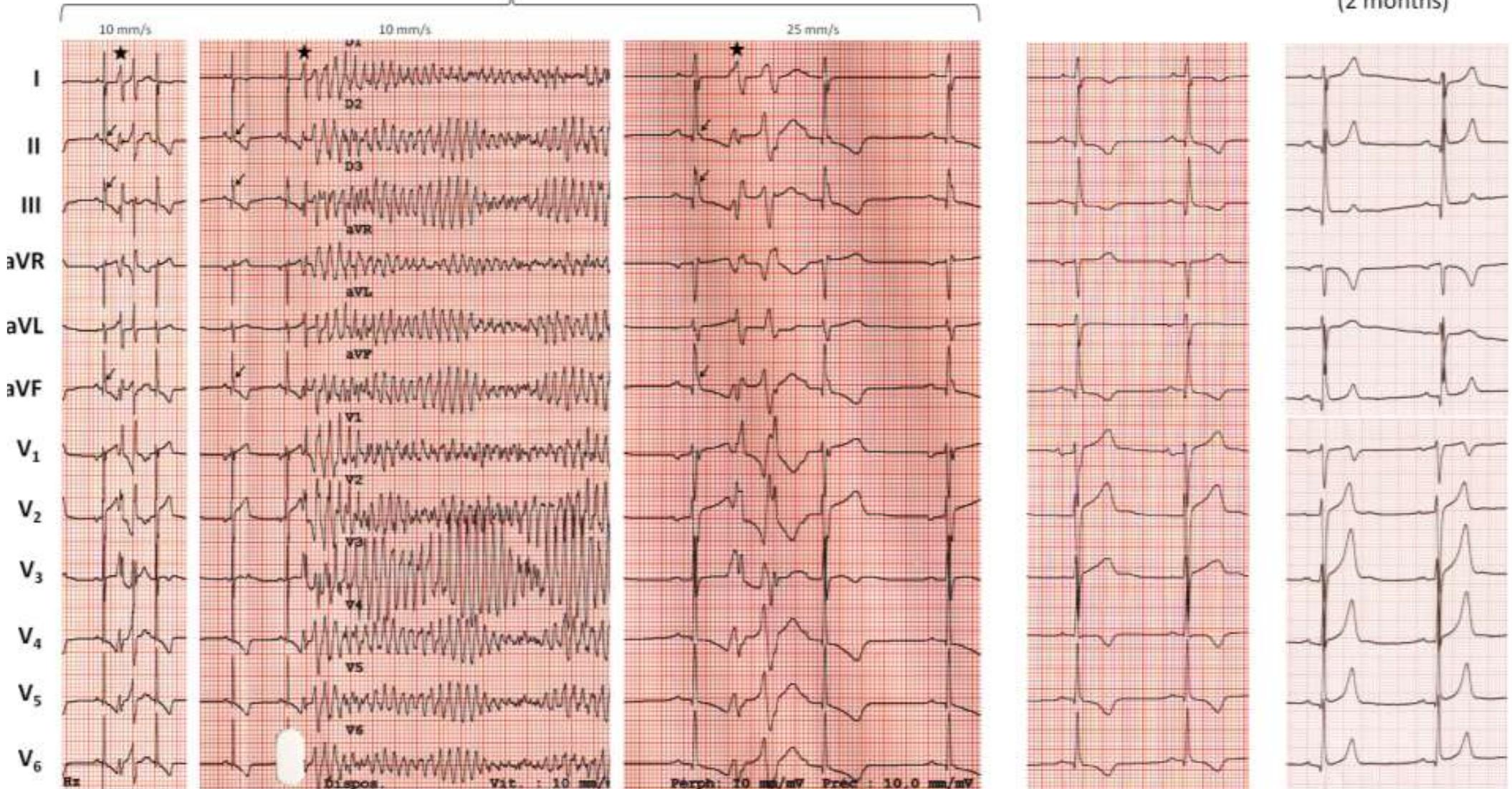
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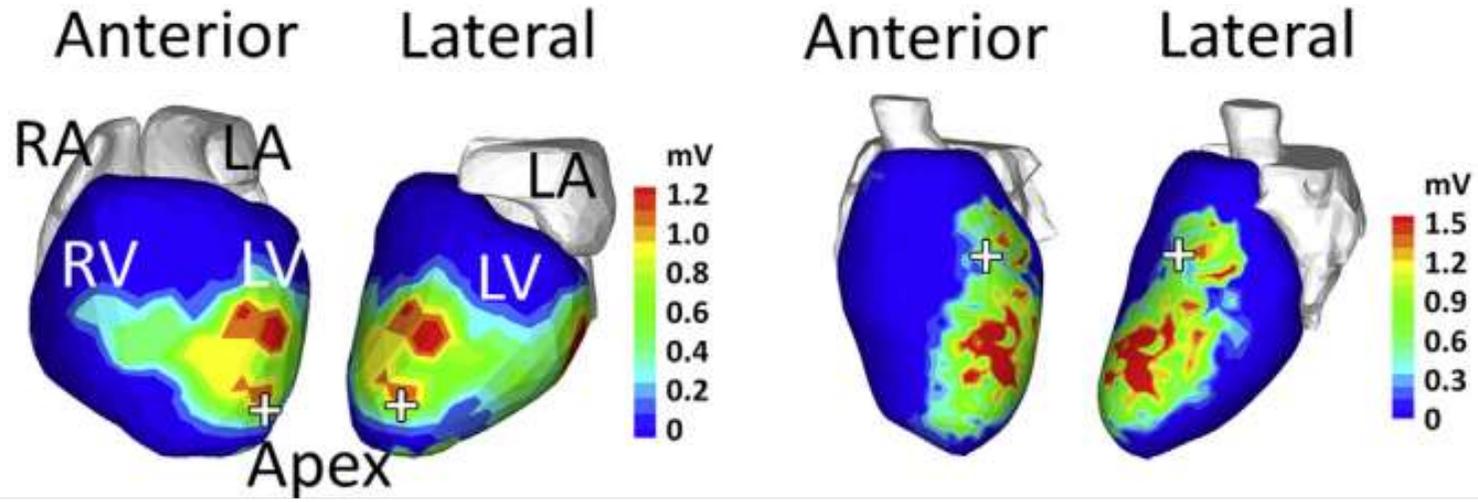
BEFORE ABLATION

END OF ABLATION

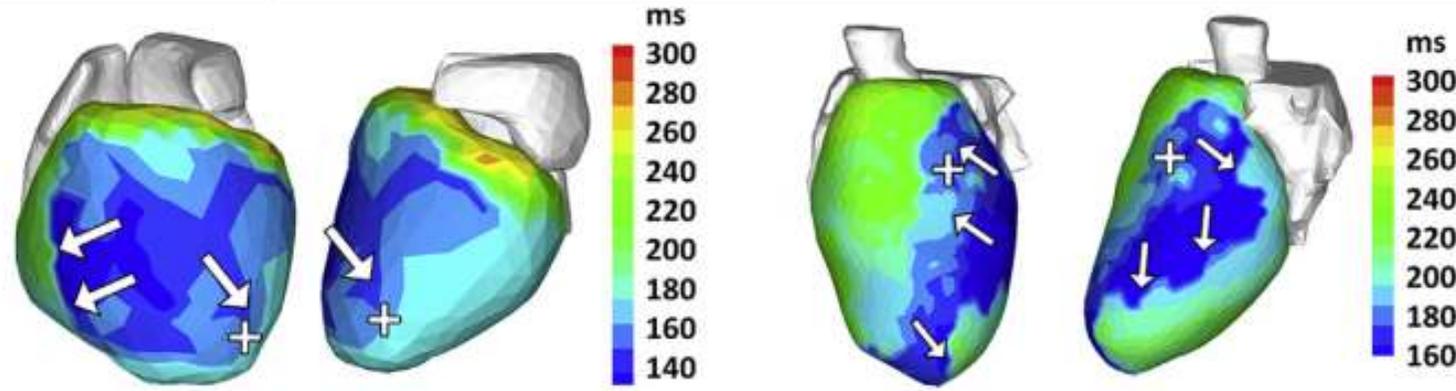
POST ABLATION
(2 months)



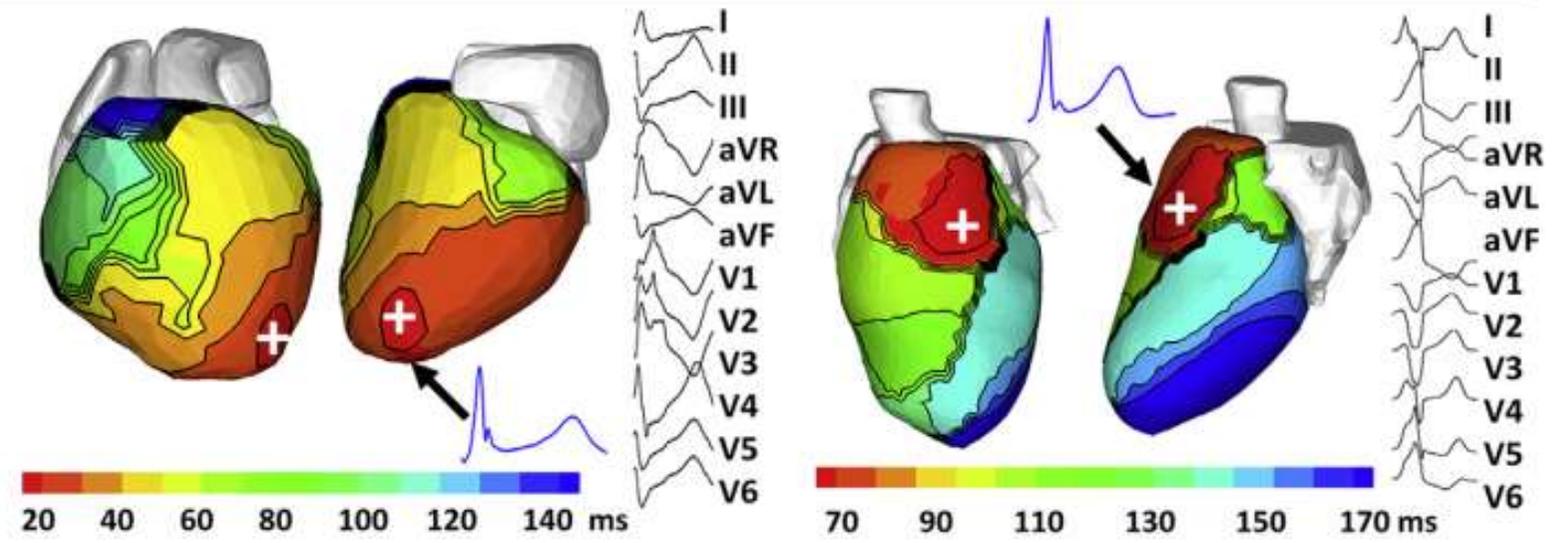
(A)
Epicardial
J-wave
during SR



(B)
ARI Map
during SR



(C) PVC
Activation
Map





Presence of a J wave on the ECG increases the probability of VF from 3.4:100,000 to 11:100,000.

Rosso R et al, JACC 2008;52:1231–1238.

Rosso R et al, HeartRhythm2011;8:923–929.

- high-amplitude J wave $\geq 0.2\text{mV}$
- horizontal or descending ST segment

} inferior/
Inferolateral
leads



Antzelevitch C et al,
Heart Rhythm, Vol 13, No 10, October 2016

- Family history of sudden death

Numm LM et al, JAmCollCardiol2011;58:286–290.

Gourraud B et al, JAmCollCardiol2013;61:164–172.

- Coexisting Brugada ECG pattern (J waves in V_1-V_3)

Watanabe H et al, HeartRhythm2010;7:647–652.

- Short QT intervals in subjects with ER

Letsas KP, Europace2012;14: 877–878.

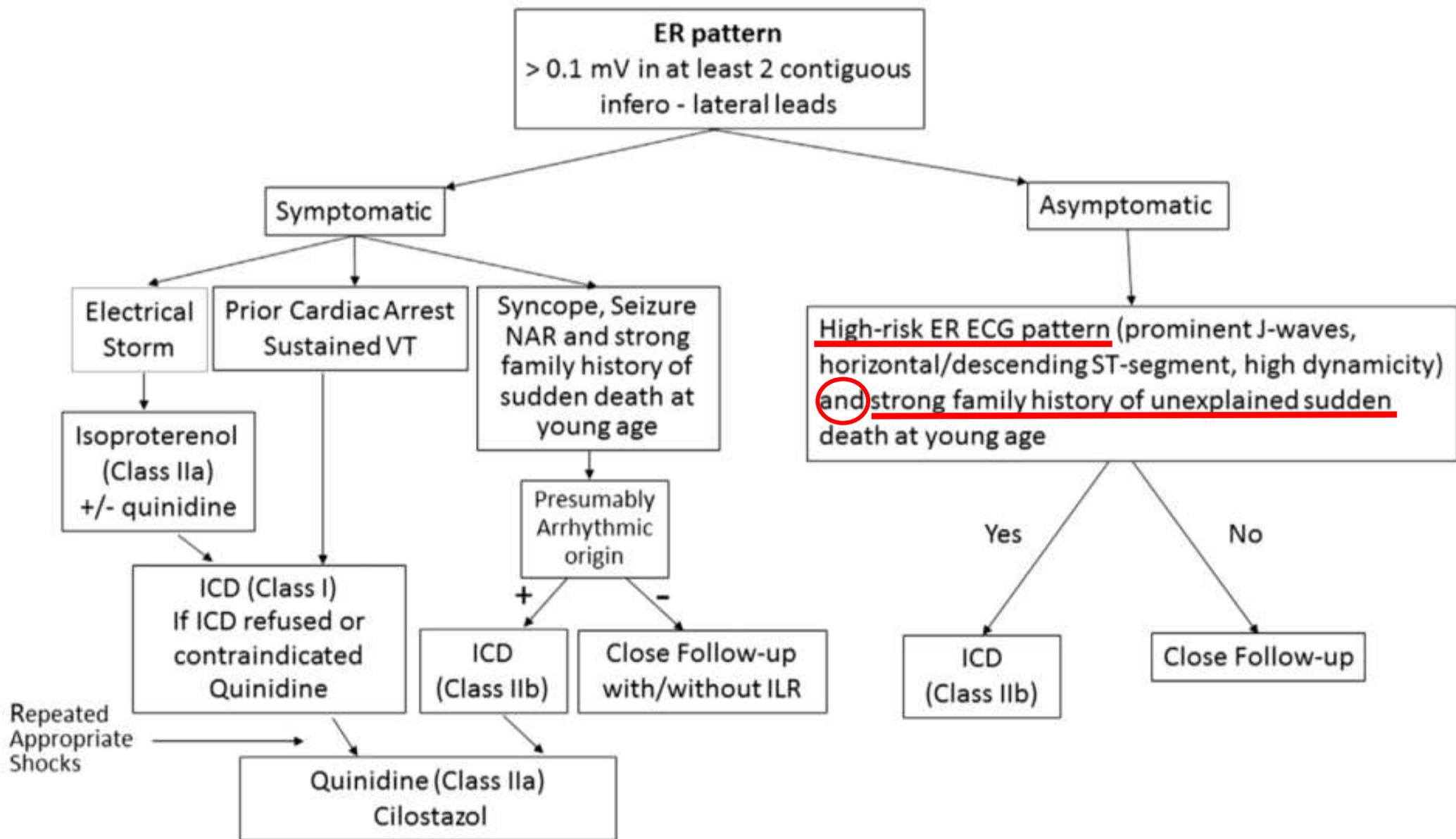
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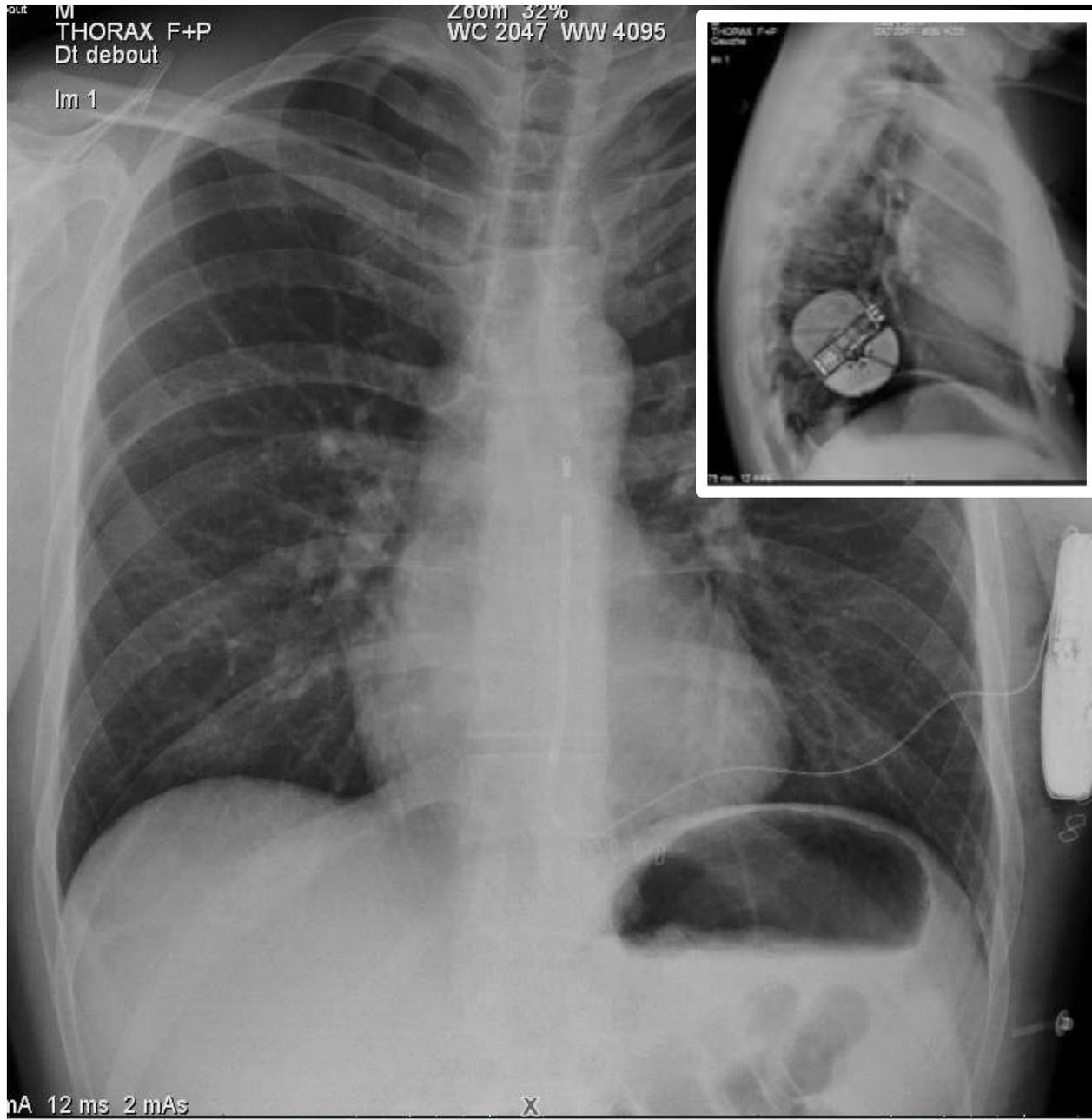
SVP: pas de valeur prédictive

Mahida S, JAm Coll Cardiol 2015;65:151–159.



APHRS/EHRA/HRS/SOLACE J-Wave syndromes expert consensus conference report







AHA Scientific Statement

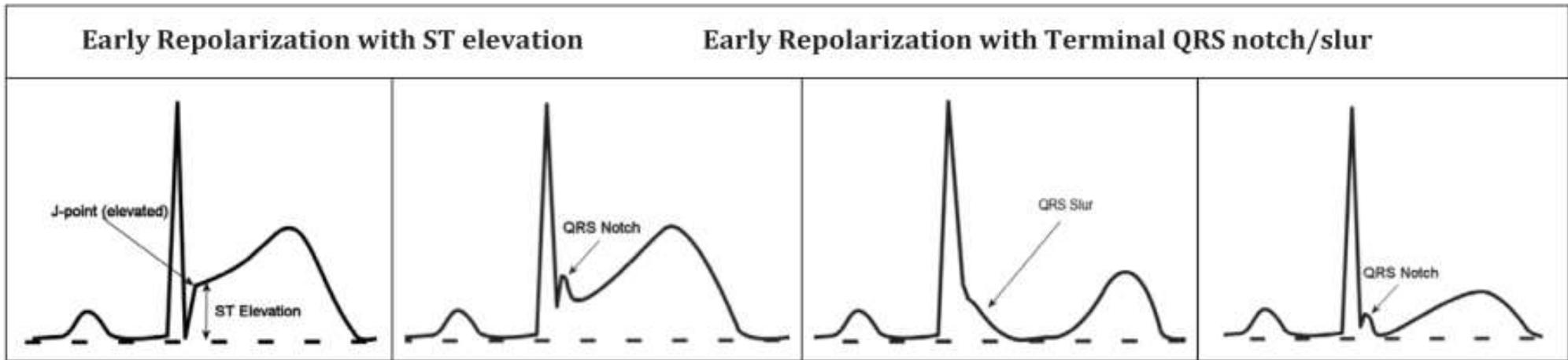


Table 1. Features That May Raise Suspicion for a Malignant and Heritable Form of ER

Family history of sudden cardiac arrest or early unexplained death
Personal evaluation and workup suggestive of a channelopathy (eg, short-QT syndrome, Brugada syndrome)
Personal history of unheralded syncope suggestive of an arrhythmogenic pathogenesis (particularly when at rest or recumbent)

ER indicates early repolarization; LOE, Level of Evidence; and VF, ventricular fibrillation.

Table 2. Recommendations for the Management of ER

Recommendation	Class	LOE
Further evaluation for the incidental findings of an ERP on an ECG in an asymptomatic patient (without family history of sudden cardiac death) is not recommended.	III	C
In patients with unexplained syncope, incorporation of the presence of most ER electrocardiographic findings into risk stratification is not well established.	IIb	C
In patients with aborted sudden death or resuscitated VF who have electrocardiographic findings of ER, programmed ventricular stimulation performed on the basis of ER pattern alone is not recommended.	III	B
In patients with both unexplained syncope and first-degree family history of sudden death, the presence of ER may be considered in overall risk stratification during appropriate evaluation for arrhythmic causes of sudden death.	IIb	C