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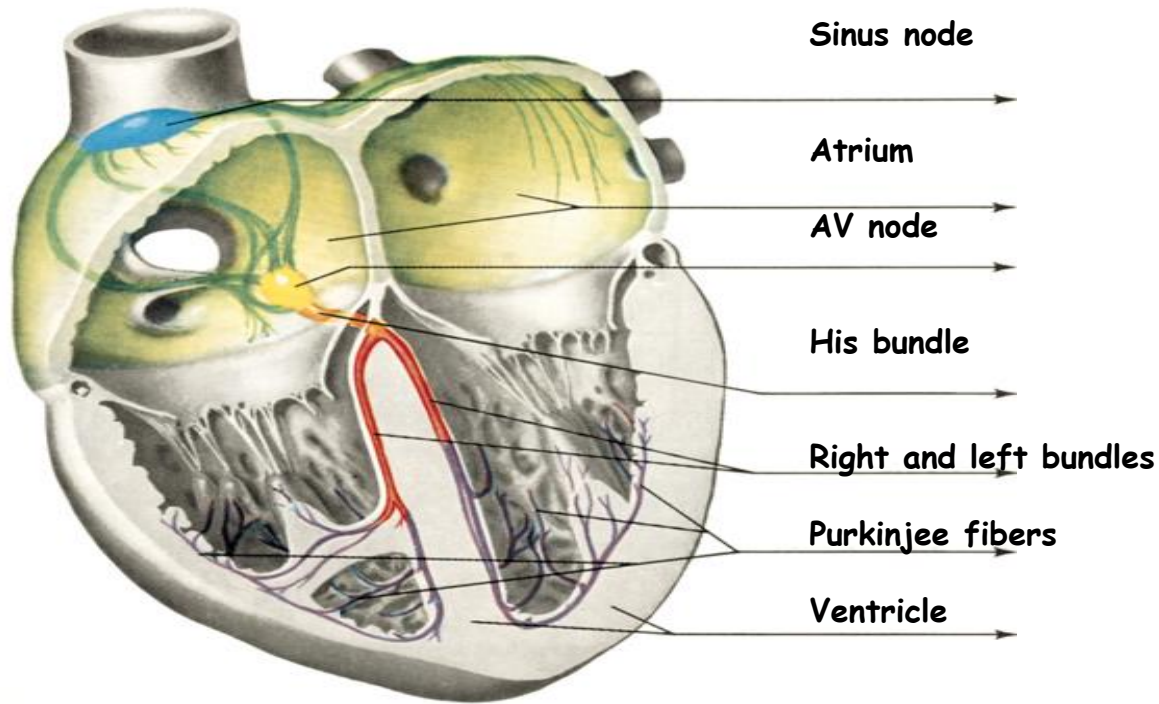


Definitions

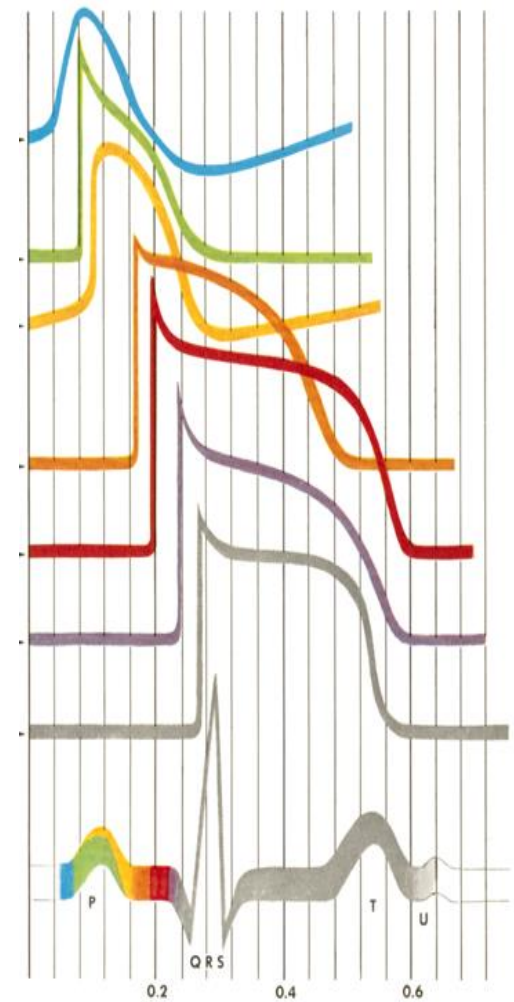
- Reciprocating tachycardias are involving the AV junction
- AVRT: Reciprocating tachycardias using an accessory atrioventricular pathway
 - Kent bundle (WPW +/-)
 - Mahaim fibers
 - PJRT



The Normal Conduction System



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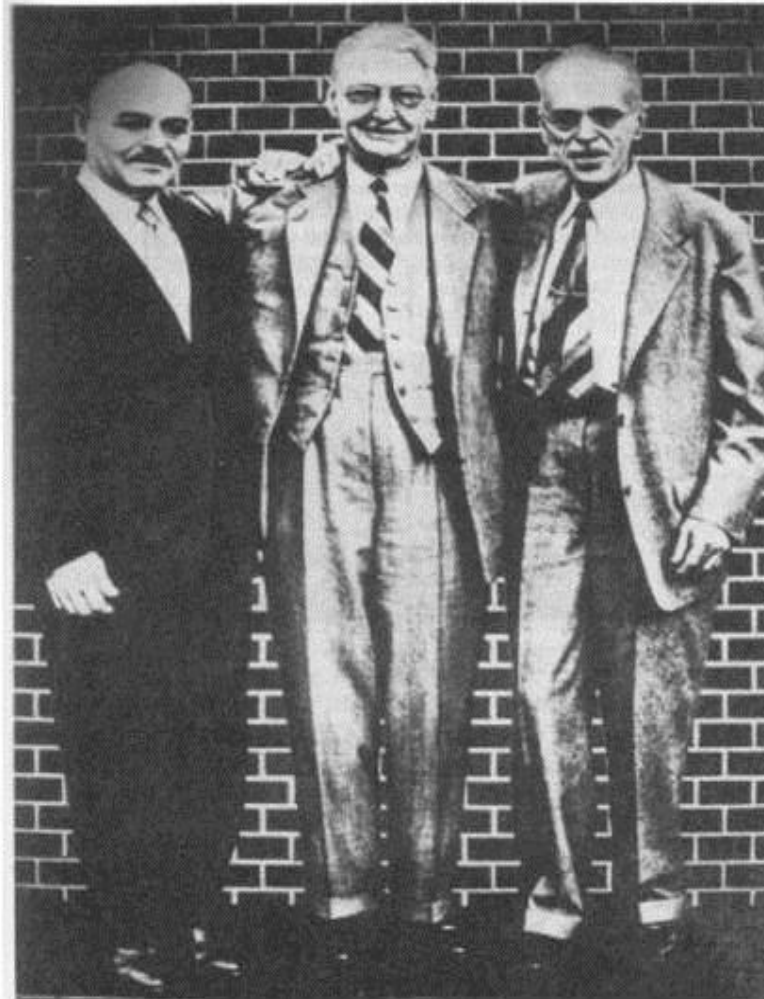


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« Mr Wolff Parkinson and White »

Louis Wolff
John Parkinson
Paul D White



Am Heart J 1930; 5: 549-555

AVRT « Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome »

- Kent accessory pathways are muscular fibers connecting the atrium and the ventricle around the MA and TA
- WPW syndrome:
 - Association of a preexcitation aspect on 12 lead ECG with paroxysmal tachycardias (definition)
- Kent fibers are not always associated with a WPW syndrome
 - Manifest (overt) AP (WPW)
 - Concealed AP (no preexcitation, retrograde conduction only)
 - Masked AP (unmasked by pacing)
- Multiple APs are possible
 - Ebstein, Mahaim + right AP, 2 left APs...



Epidemiology of WPW Syndrome

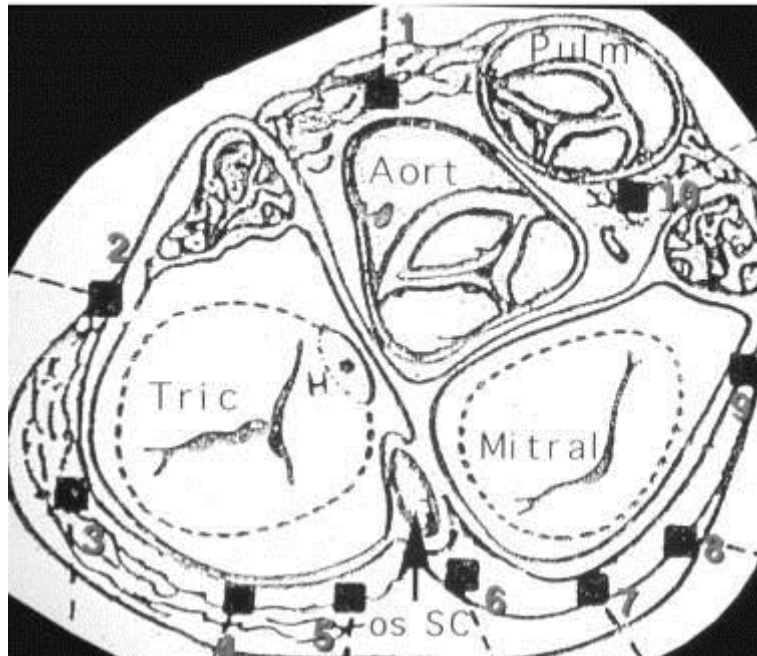
- Prevalence: 0.3% in children dropping to 0.1 in adults
- Annual incidence 4 per 100000 per yr
- Males twice as often than females
- SCD: 1.5/1000/pt/yr

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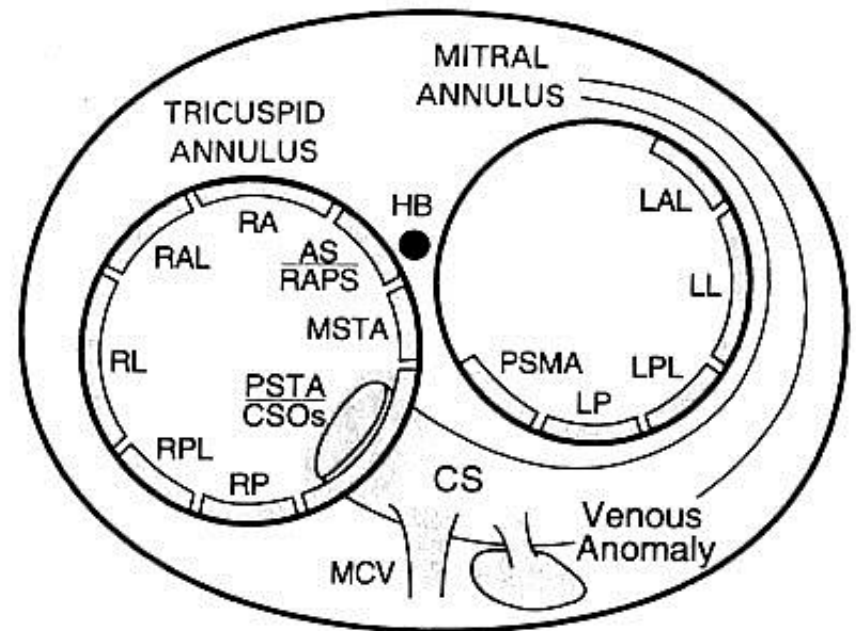


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Location of accessory pathways

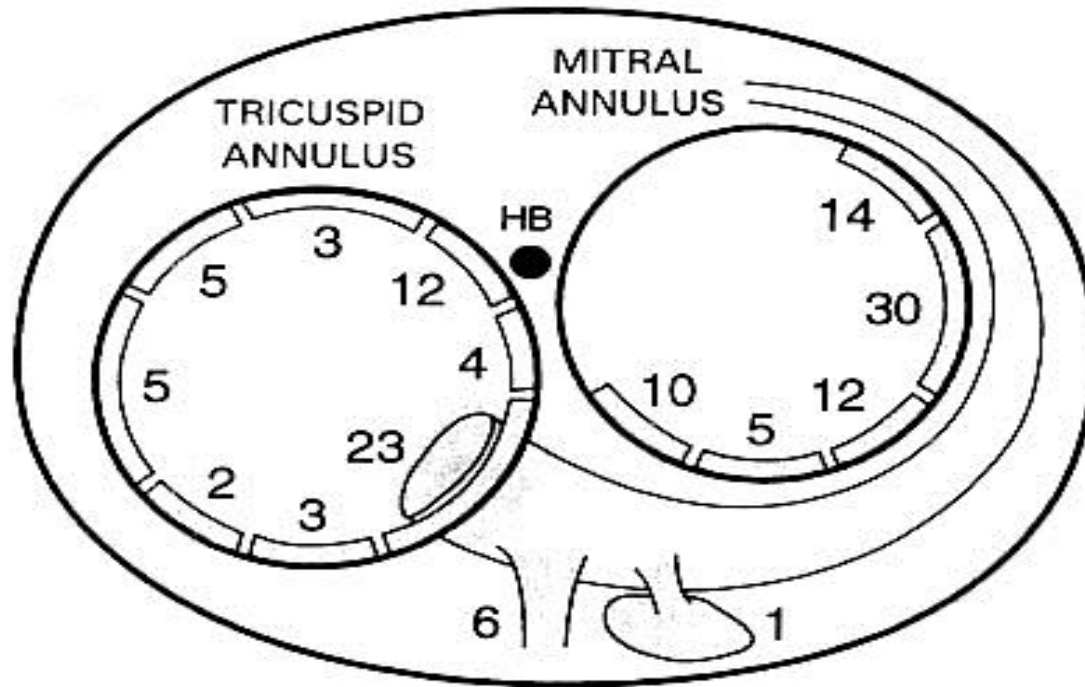


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Accessory pathways distribution



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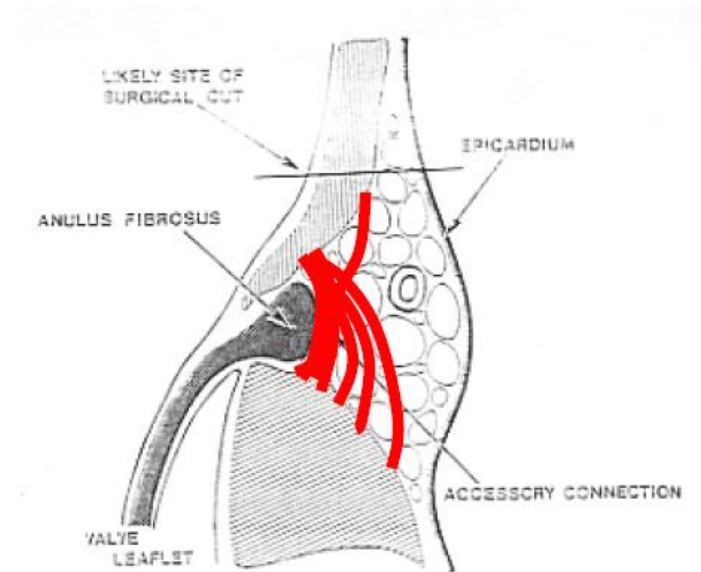
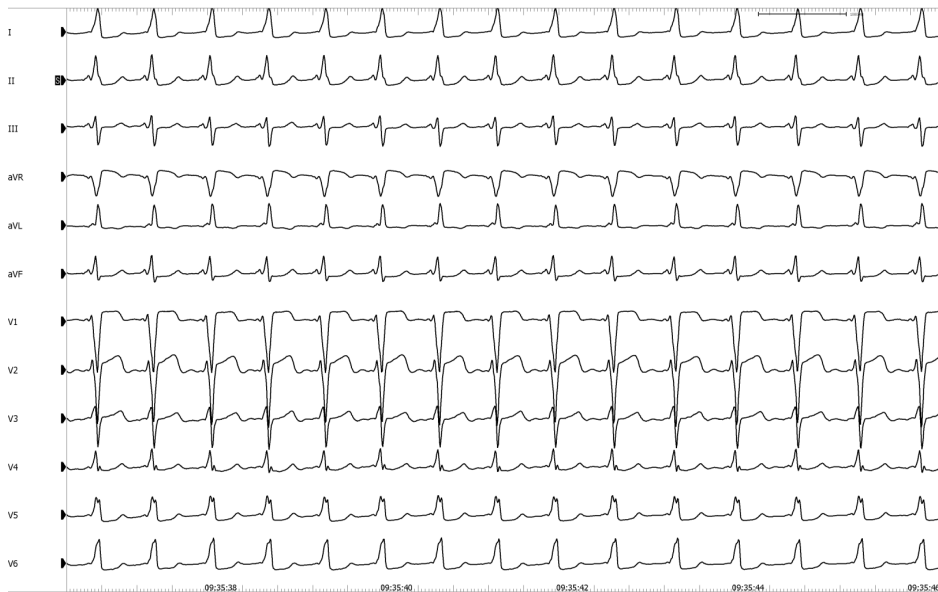


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ECG pattern

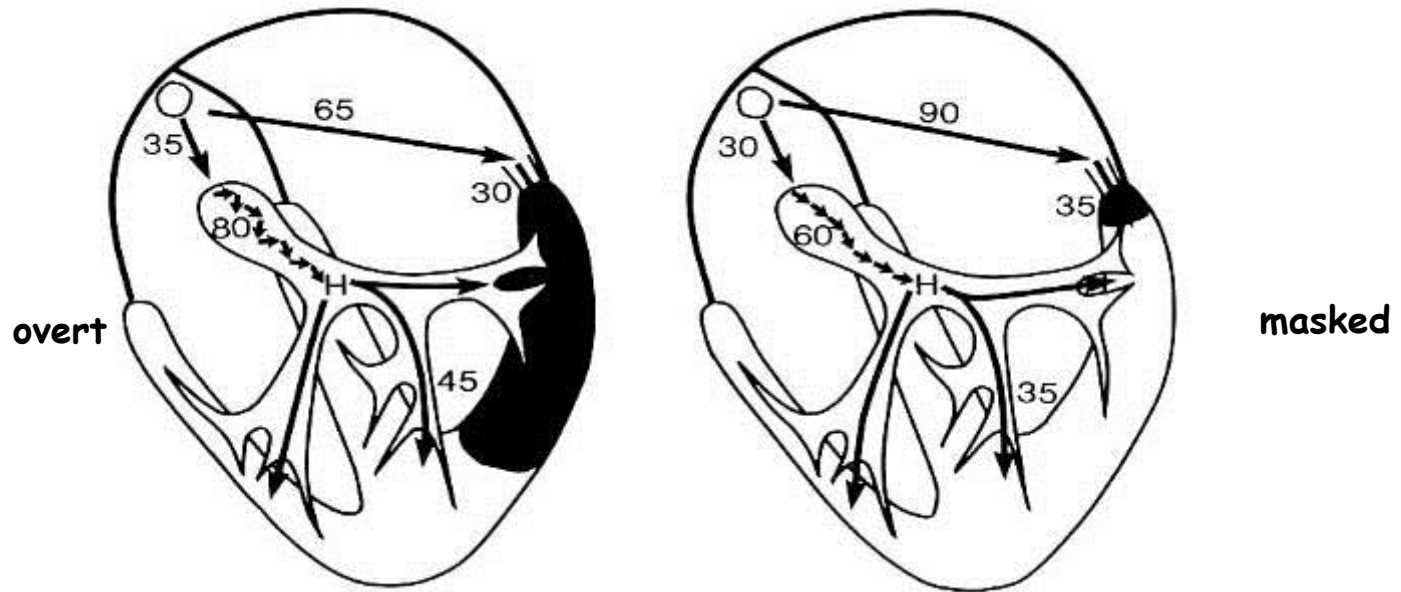
- ECG
 - Short PR interval
 - Delta wave (preexcitation)
 - Atypical repolarization



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Manifest vs. masked pathways



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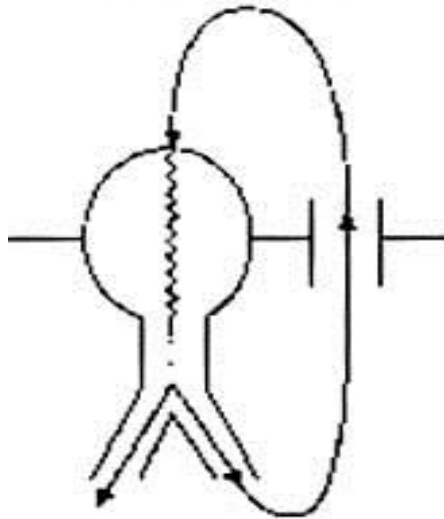


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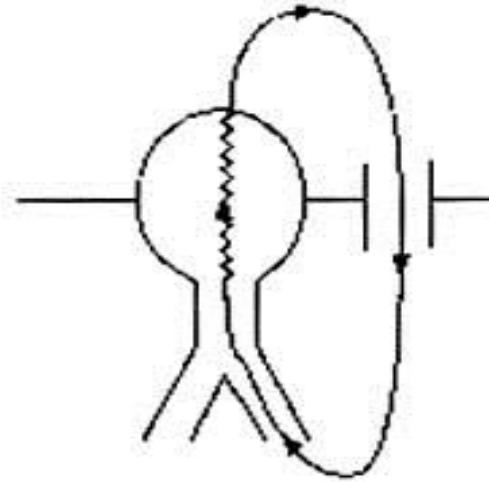
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Reciprocating tachycardia

Orthodromic
Atrioventricular
Reentrant
Tachycardia



Antidromic
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Tachycardia



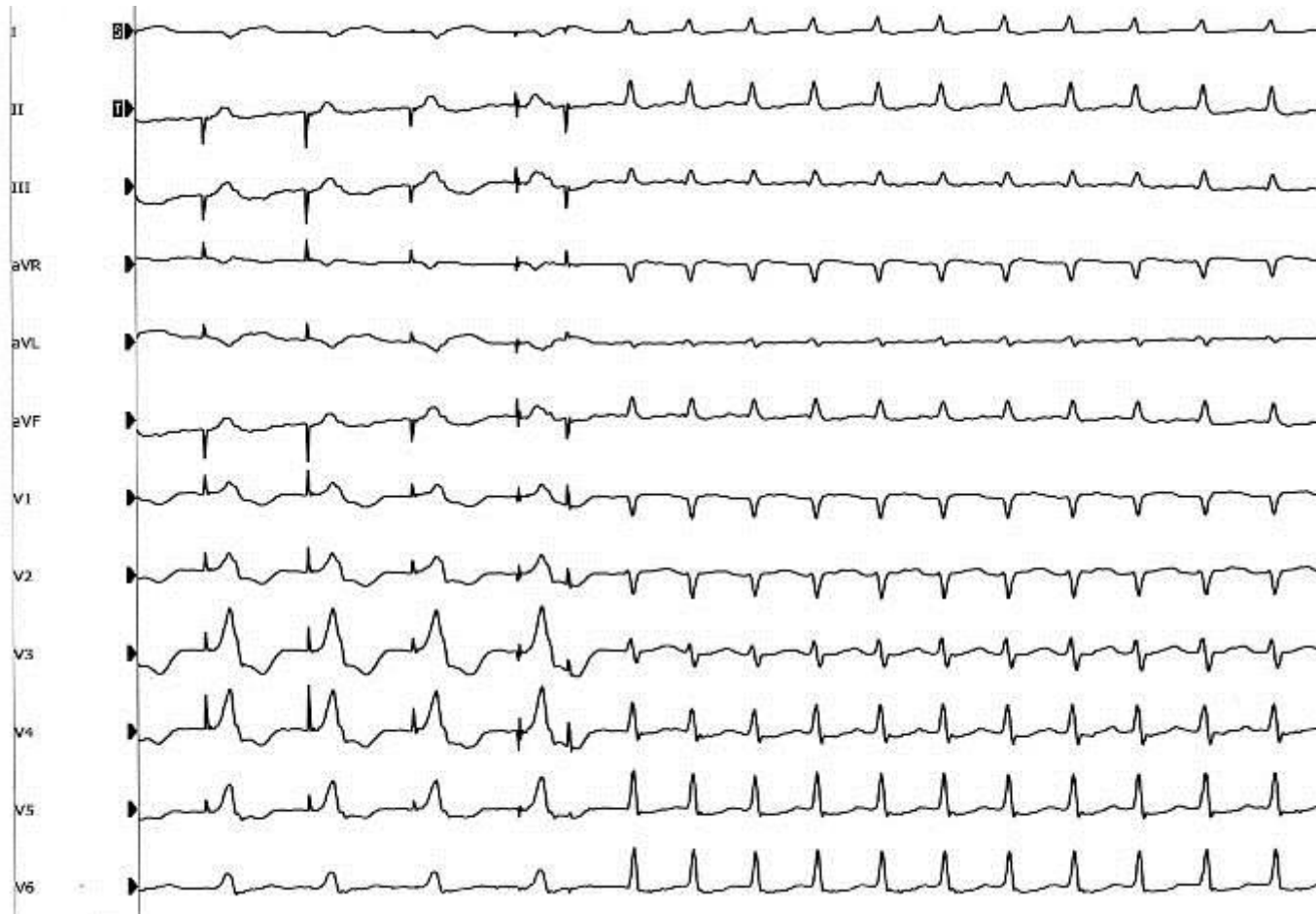
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Left lateral AP: orthodromic tachycardia



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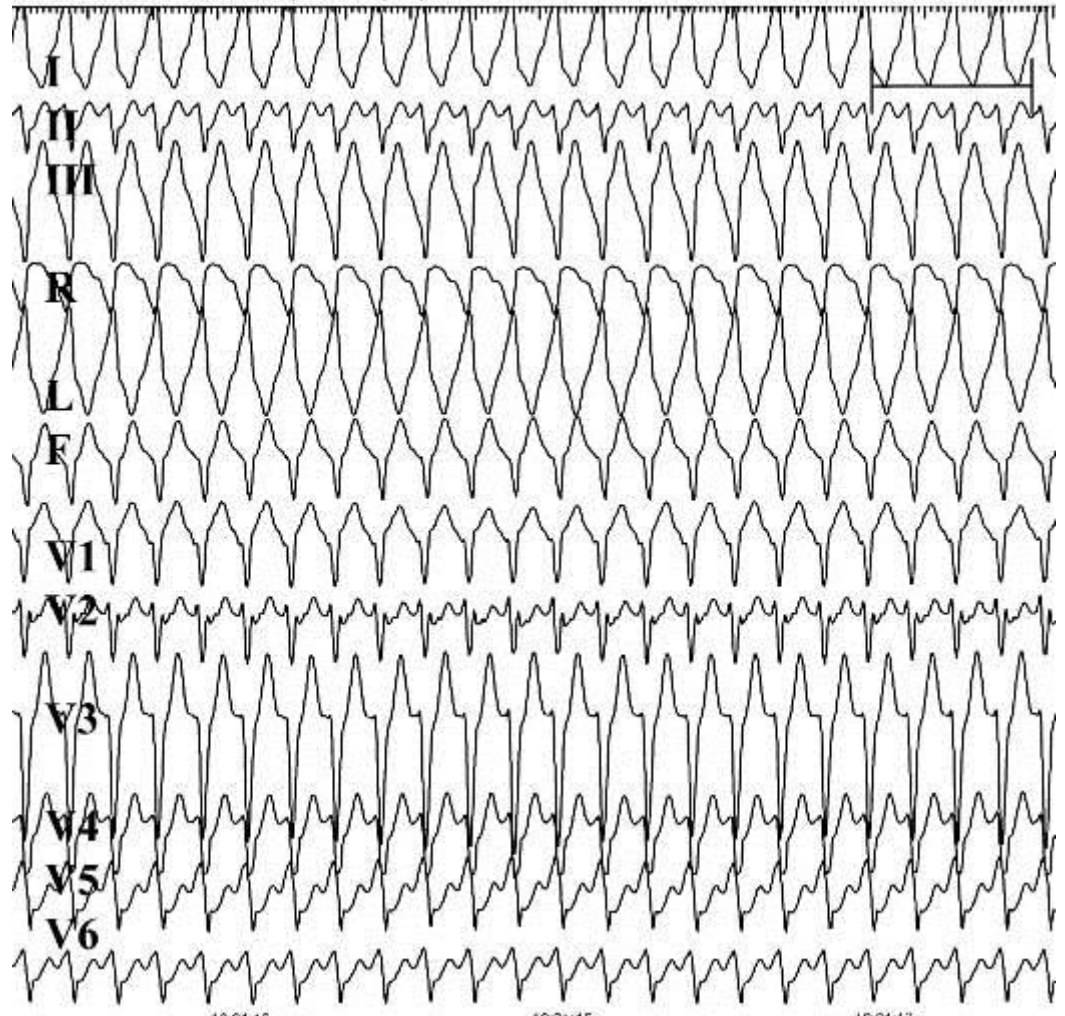
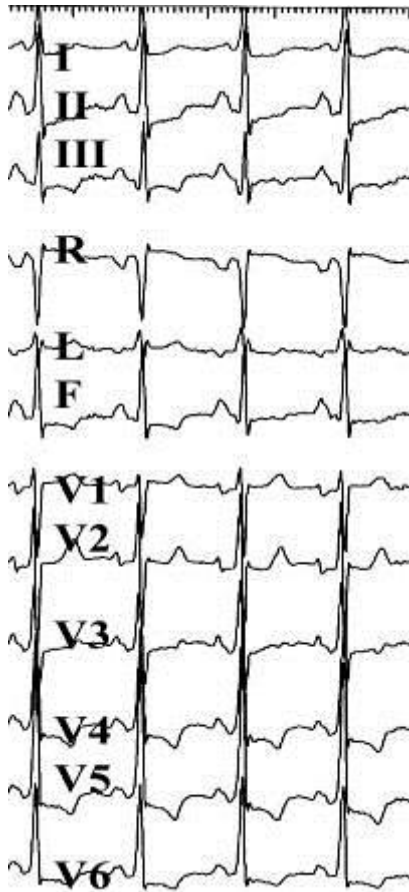
Orthodromic reciprocating tachycardia



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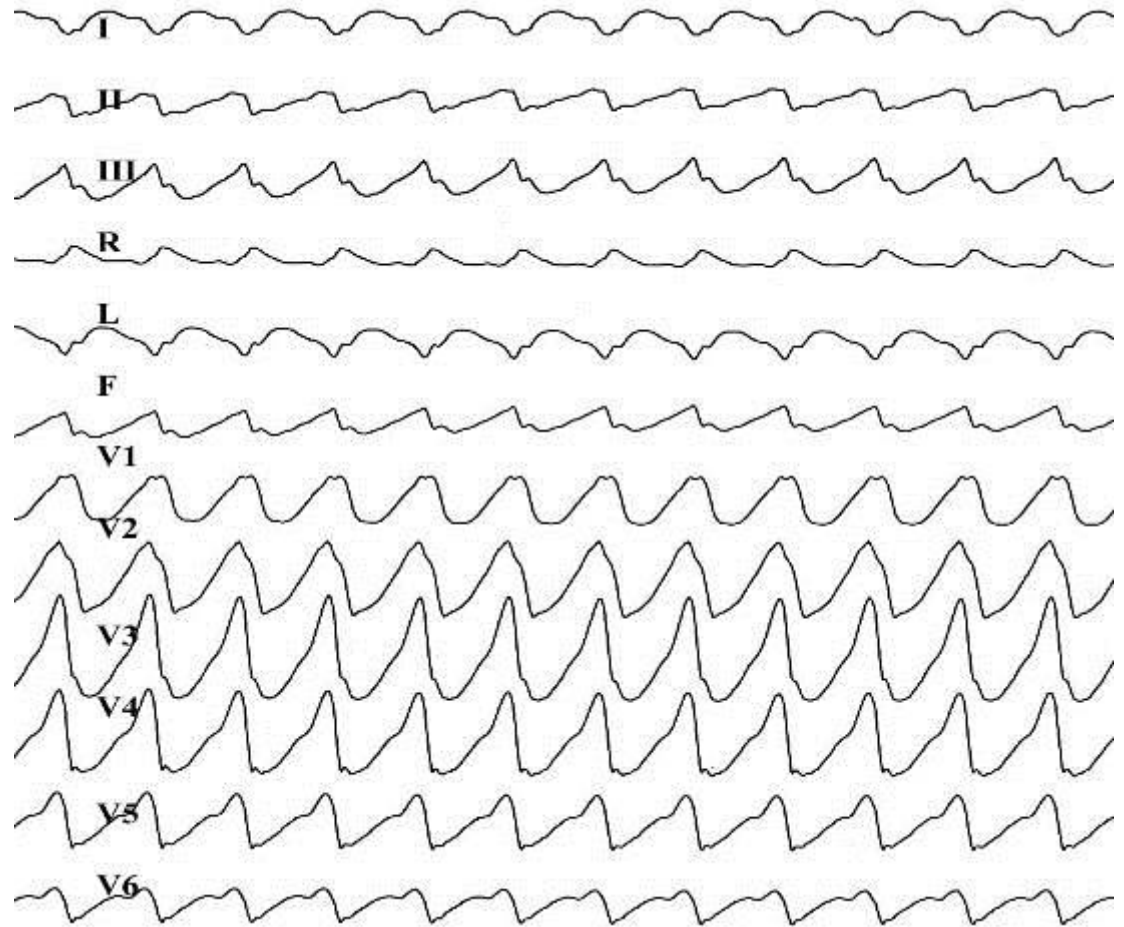
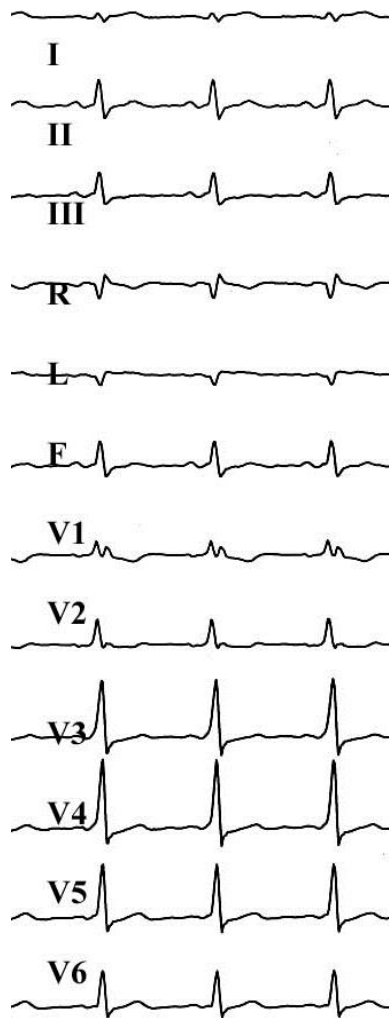
Masked right posteroseptal: antidromic AVRT



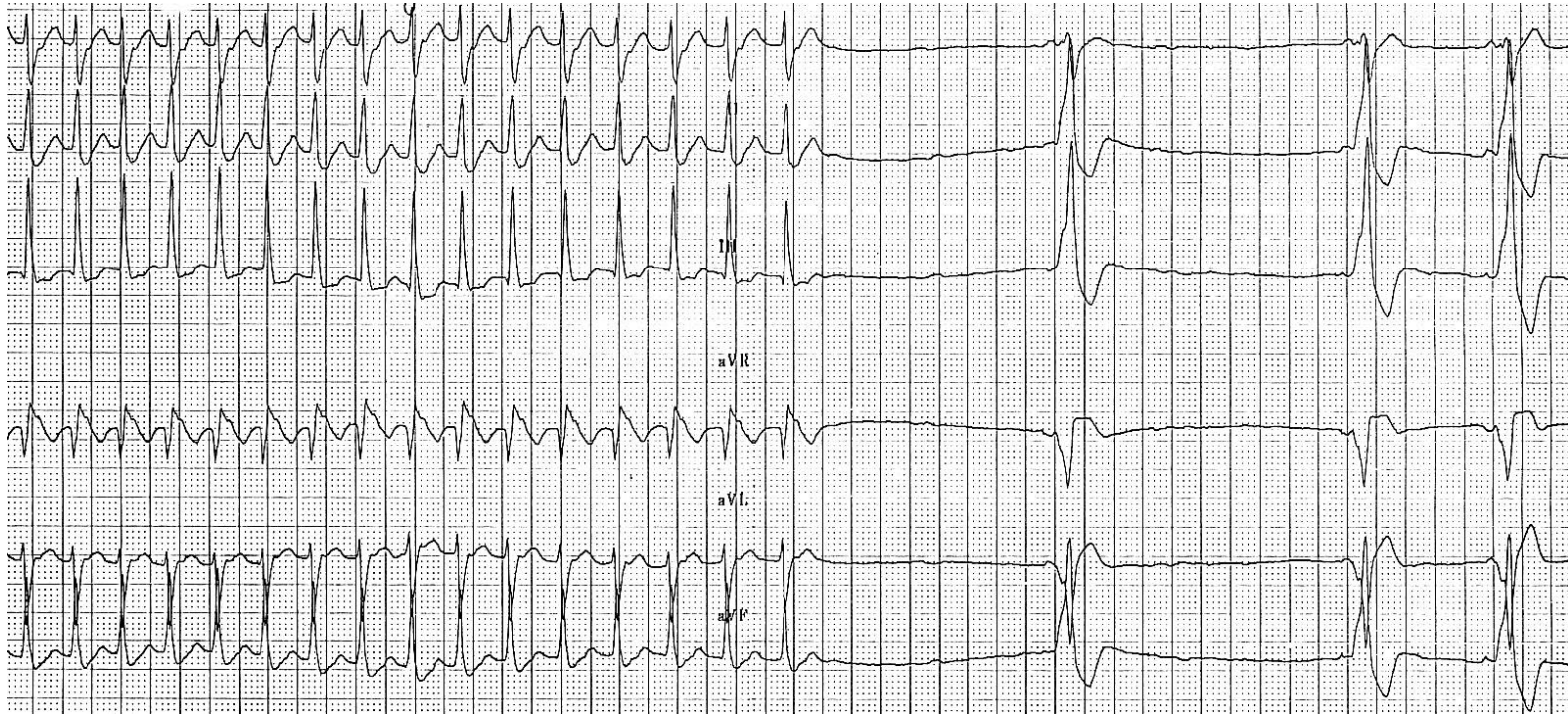
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Left lateral: antidromic tachycardia



Adenosine injection



AVRT termination

Preexcited ECG

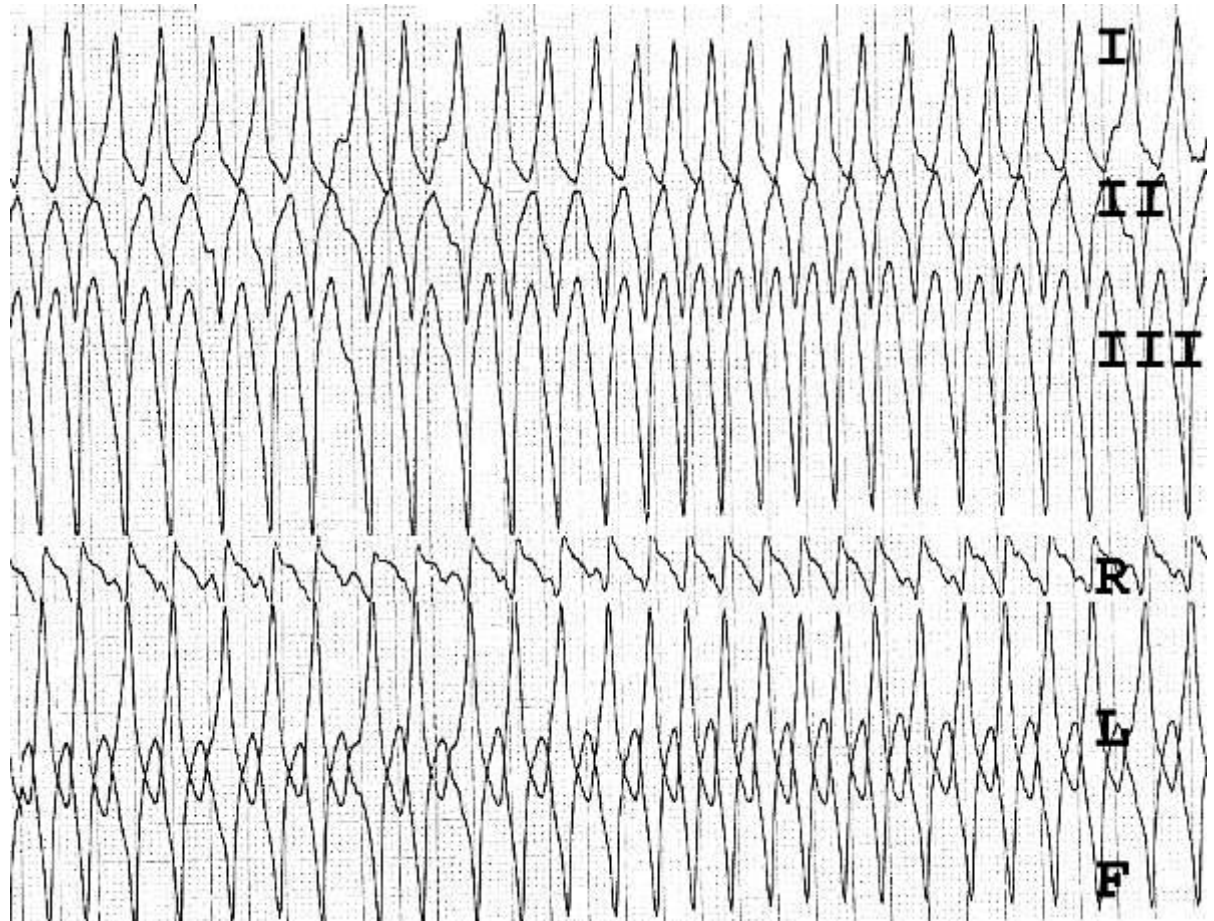


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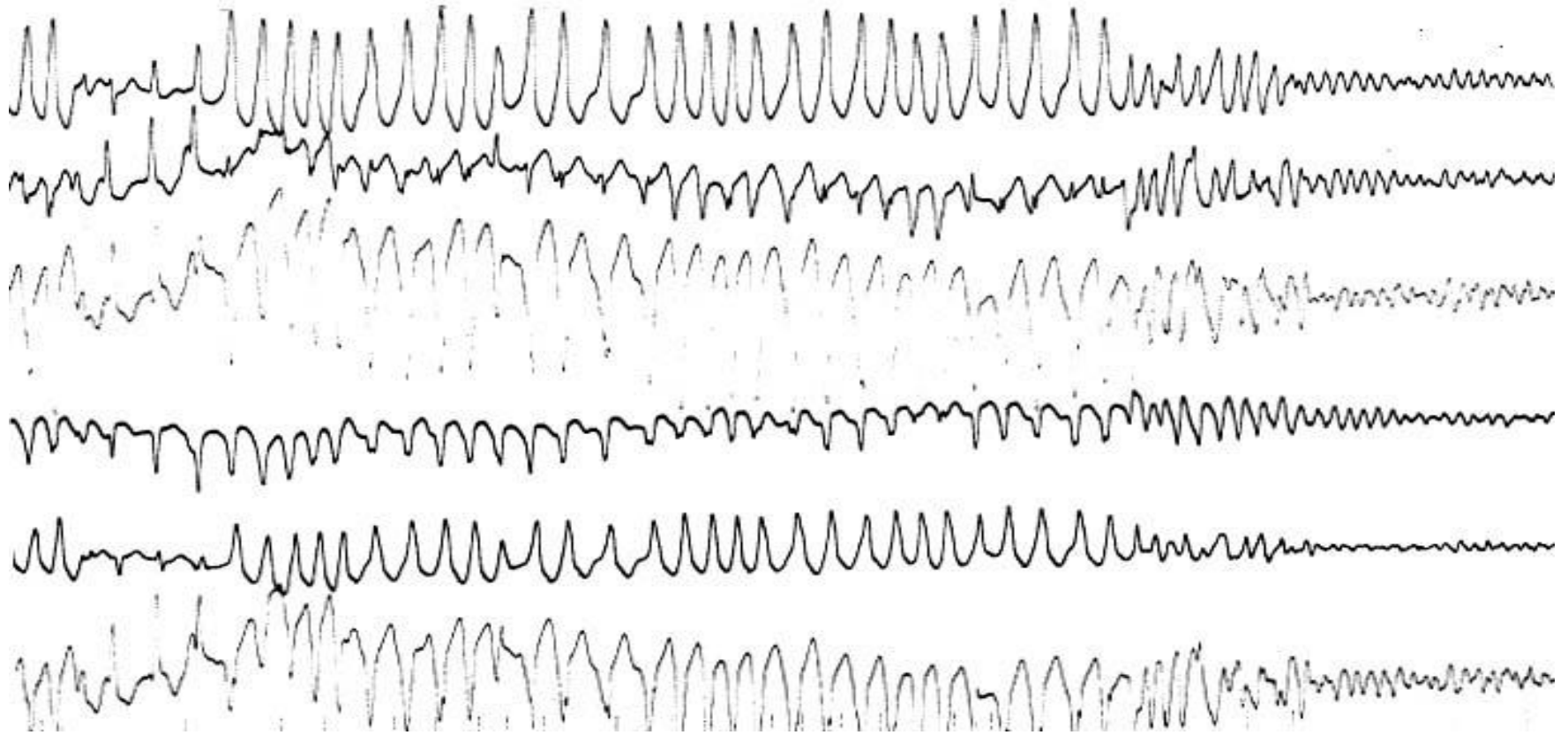
Diagnosis ?

**AF conducted by
an accessory pathway**



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AF leading to VF



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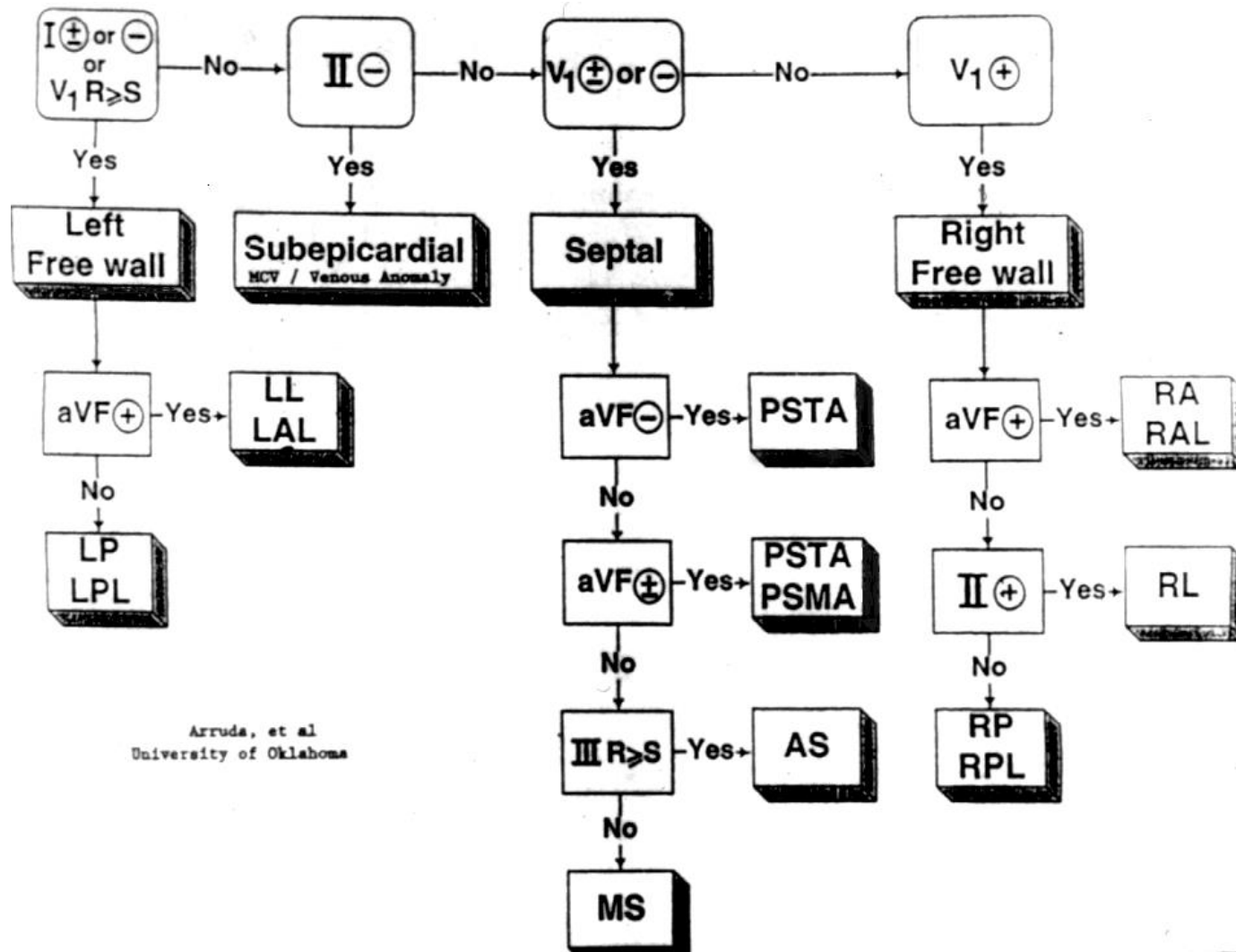
Risk for SCD

- Short anterograde refractory period
 - < 250 ms
- Arrhythmia induction / atrial vulnerability (+++)
 - Minimum RR interval during AF < 250 ms (sens 92%, spec 46%, PPV 34%, PNV 94%)

	With VF	Without VF
Klein 1979	31 : 140-250	73 : 150-400
1979	31 ≤ 250 ms	48/73 ≤ 250
1987	7/8 ≤ 250	30/58 ≤ 250
Torner 1988	8/10 ≤ 220	9/31 ≤ 220
Attoyan 1994	172 ± 23 (28)	230 ± 50 (60)

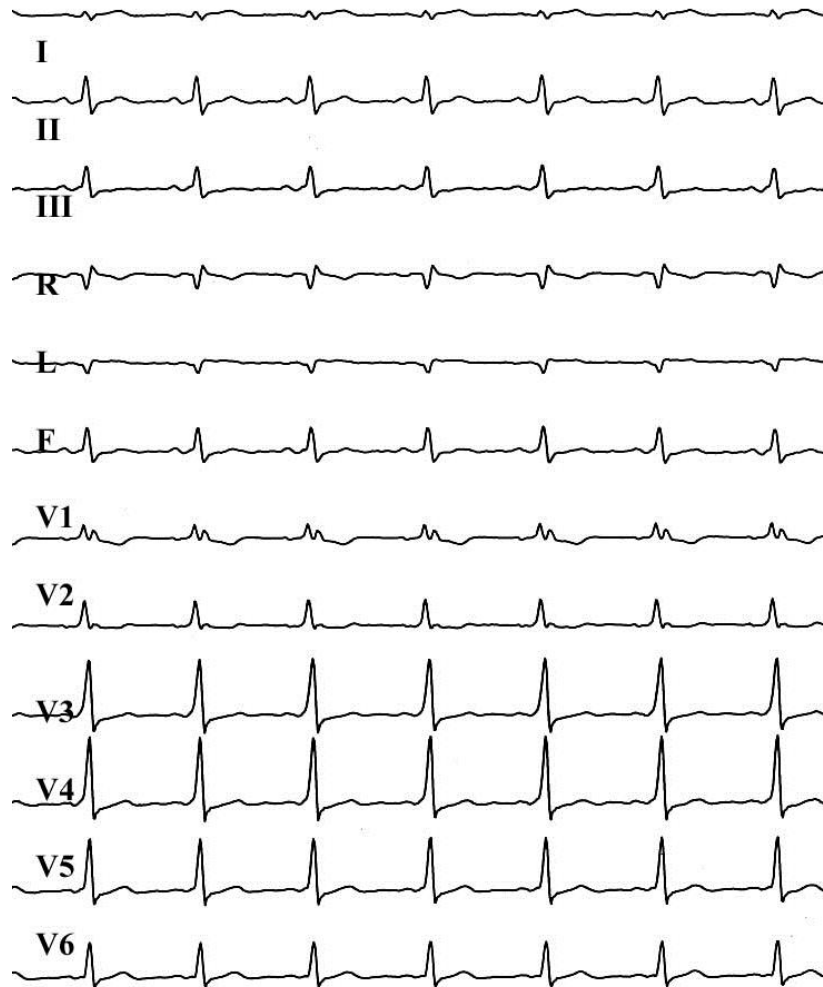


Location algorithm of WPW

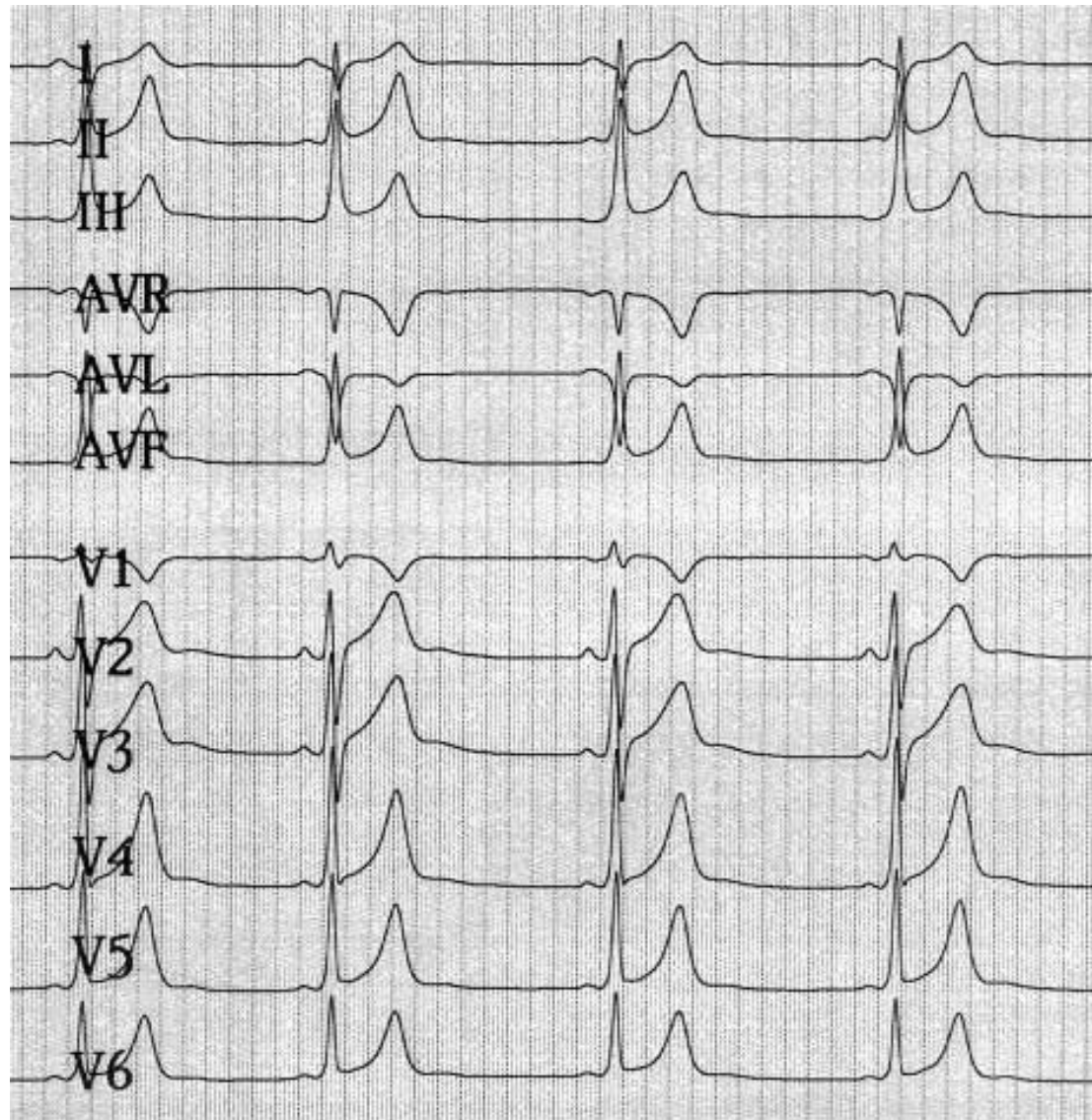


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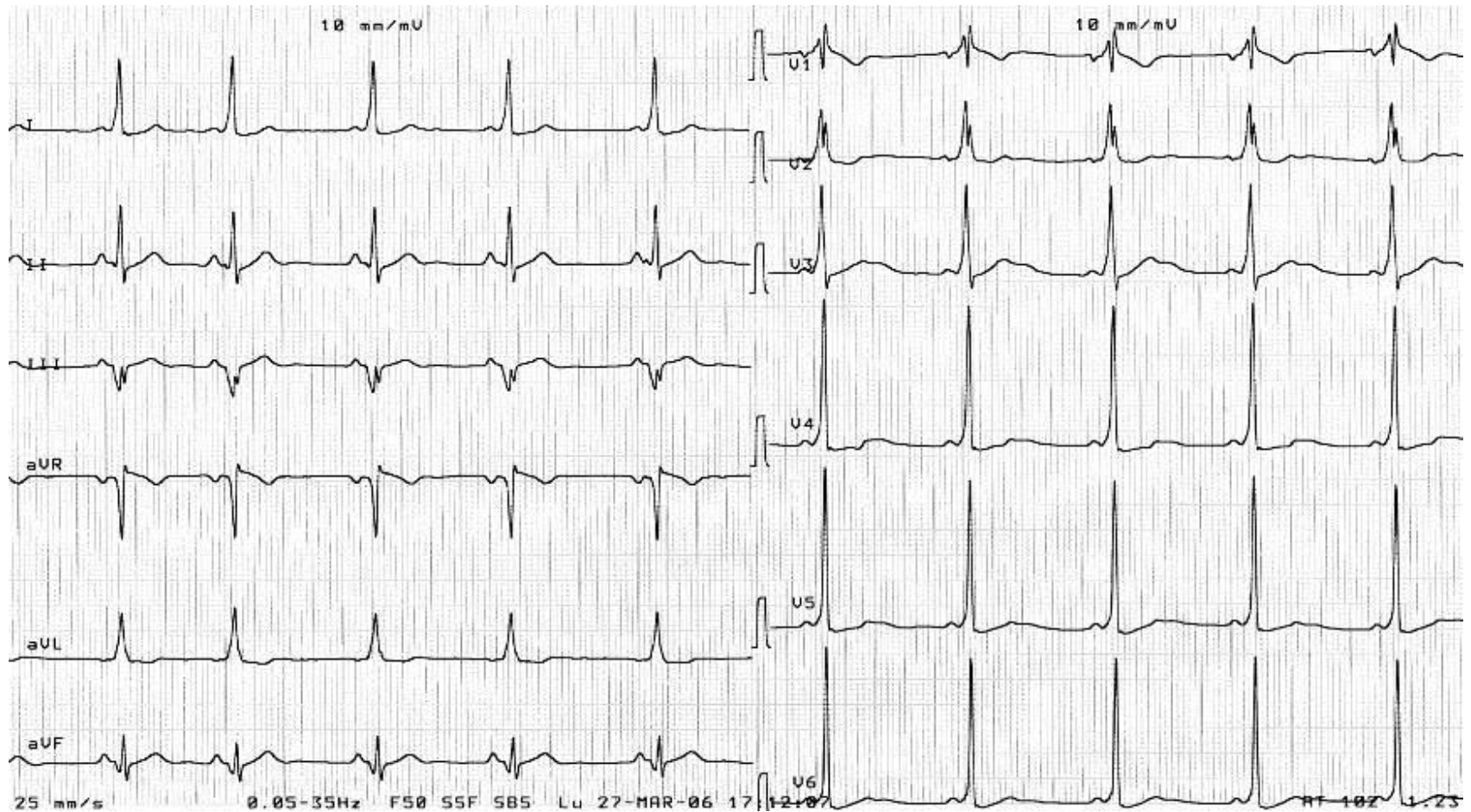
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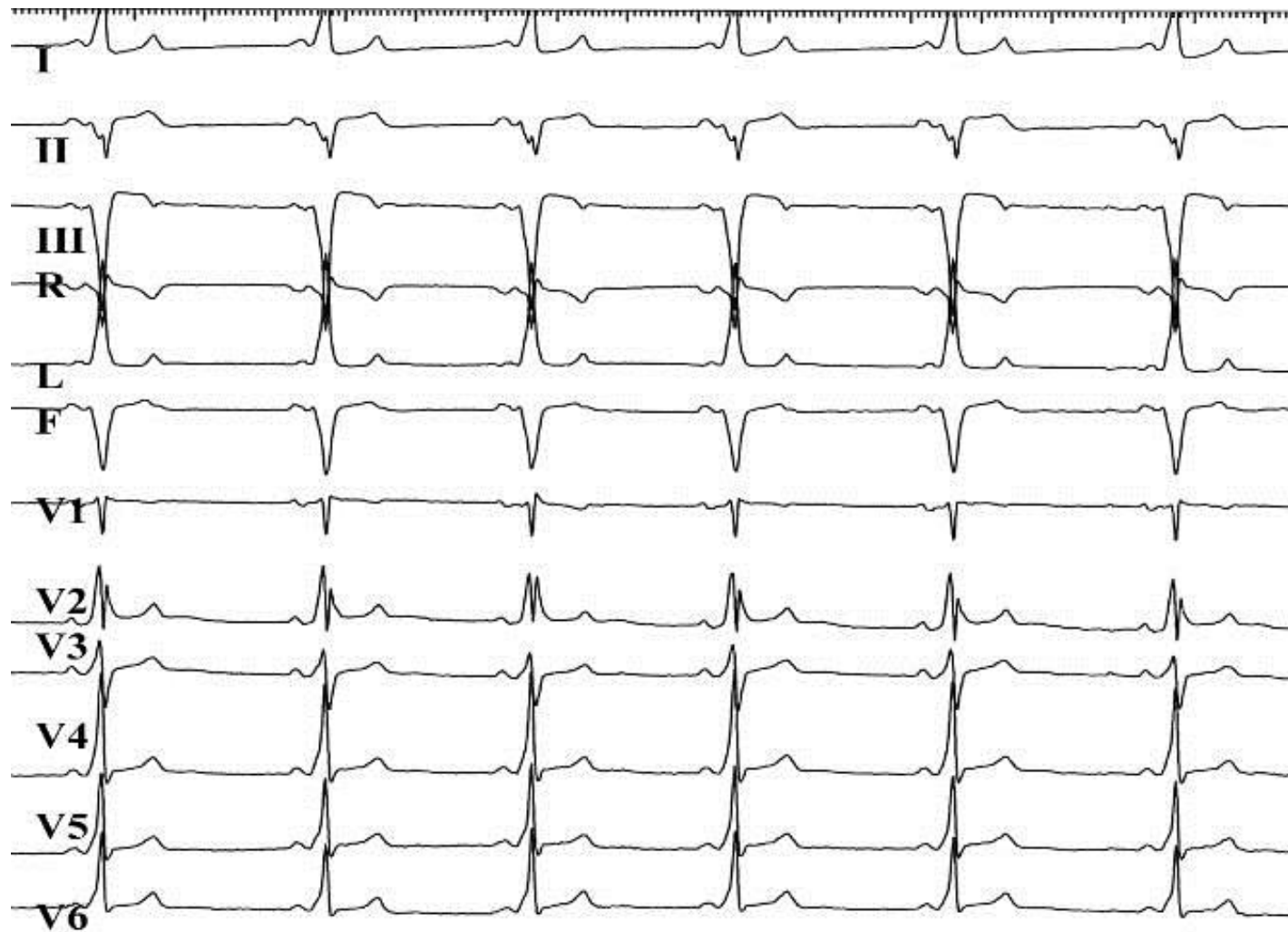
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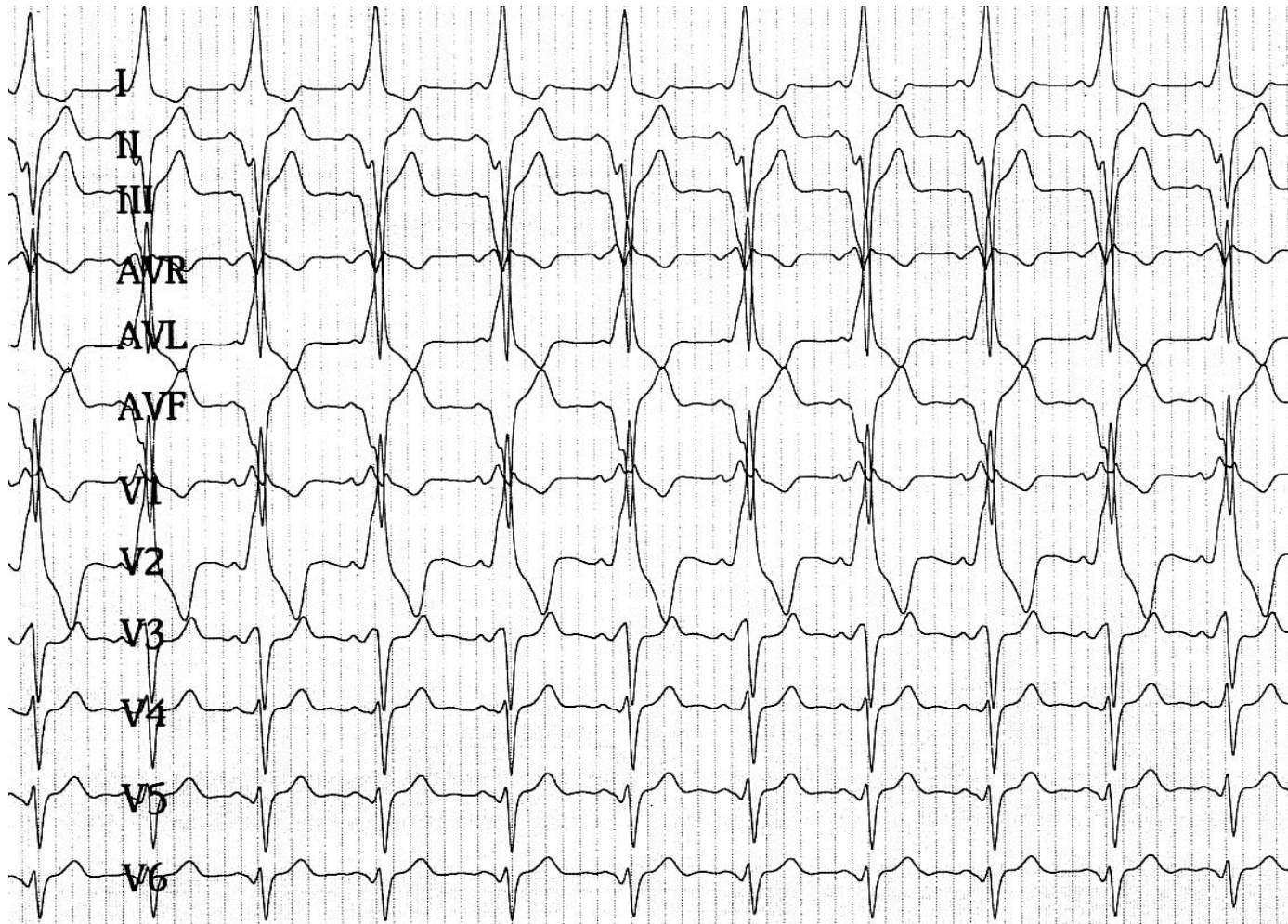
Left posterior



Left posteroseptal



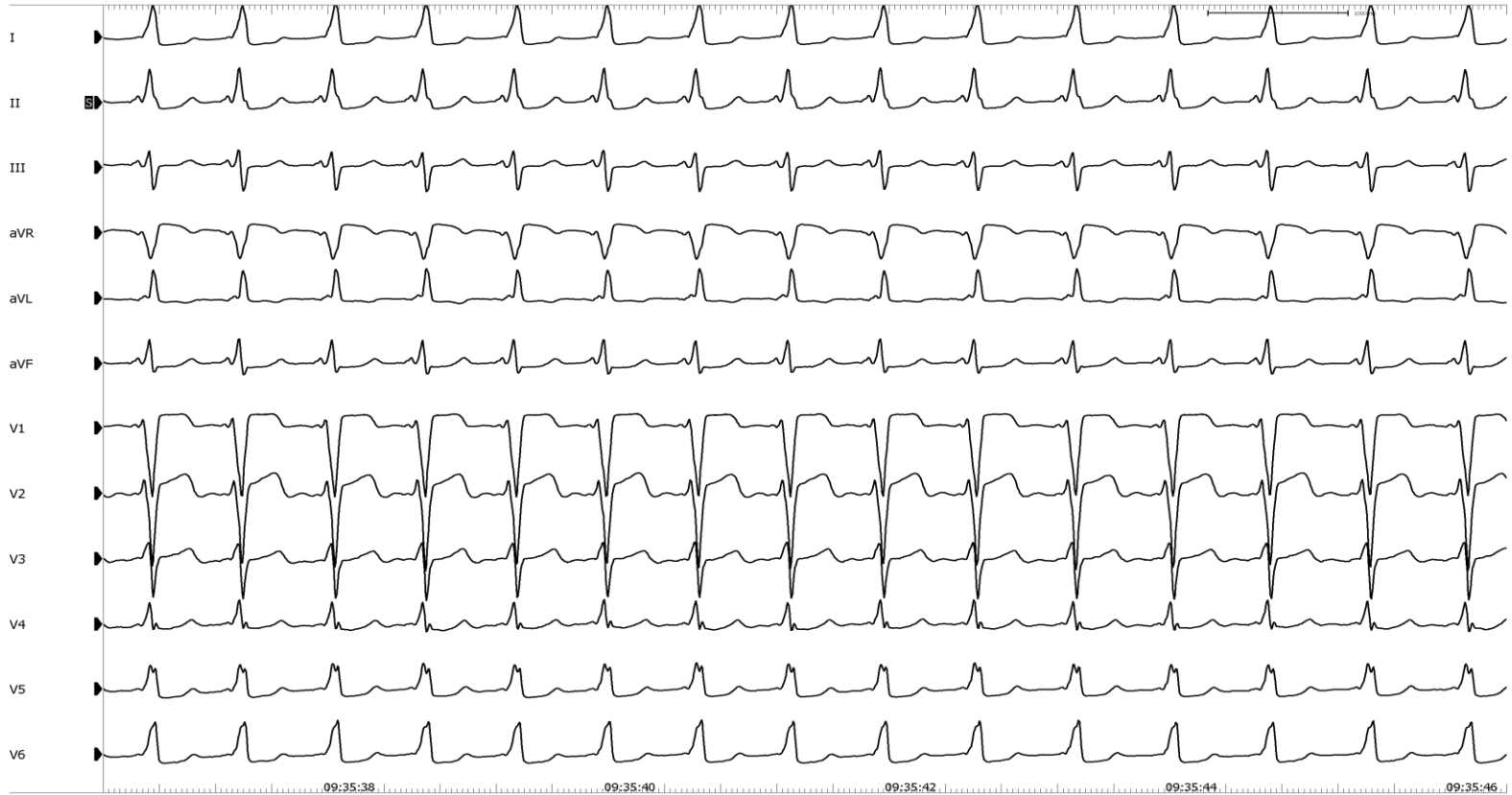
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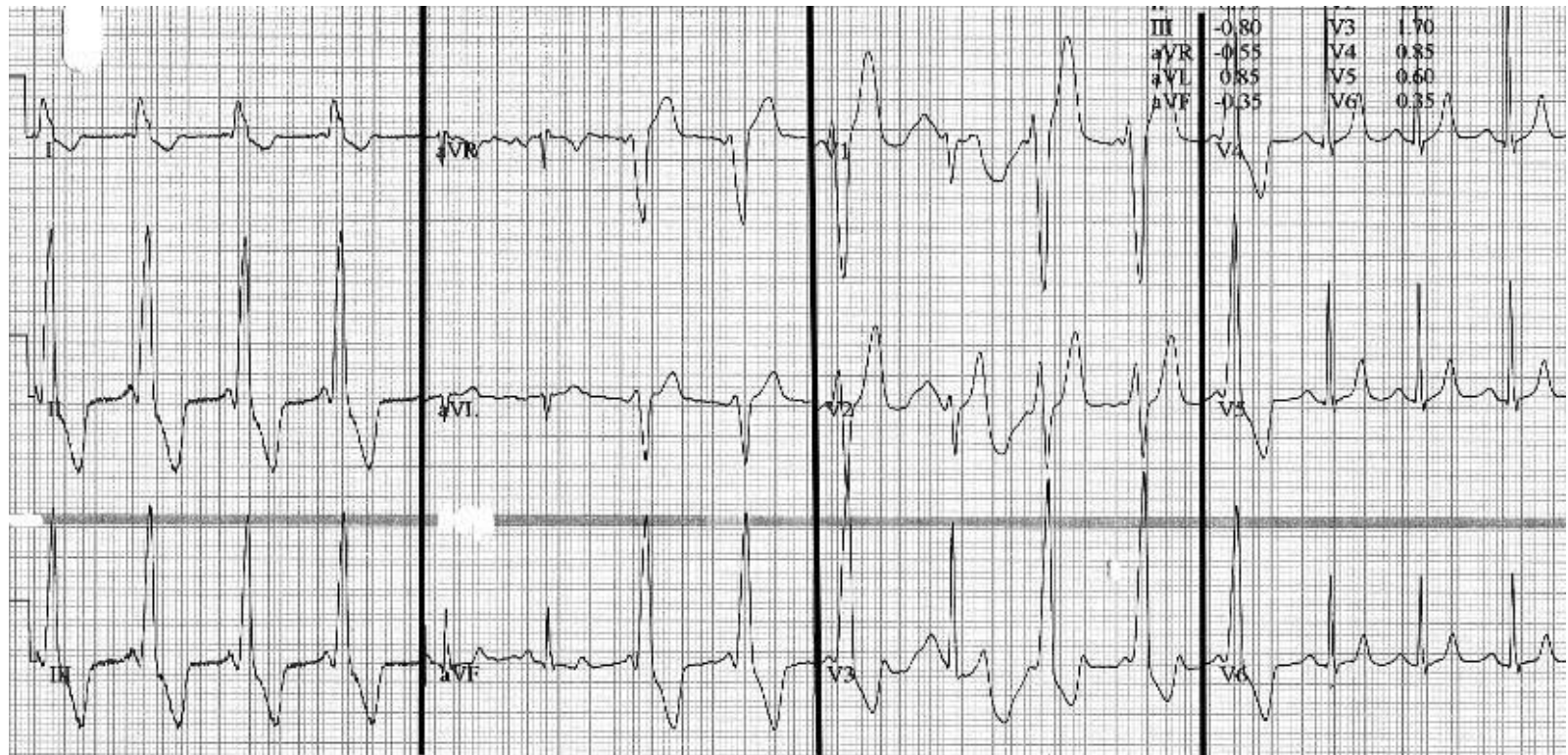
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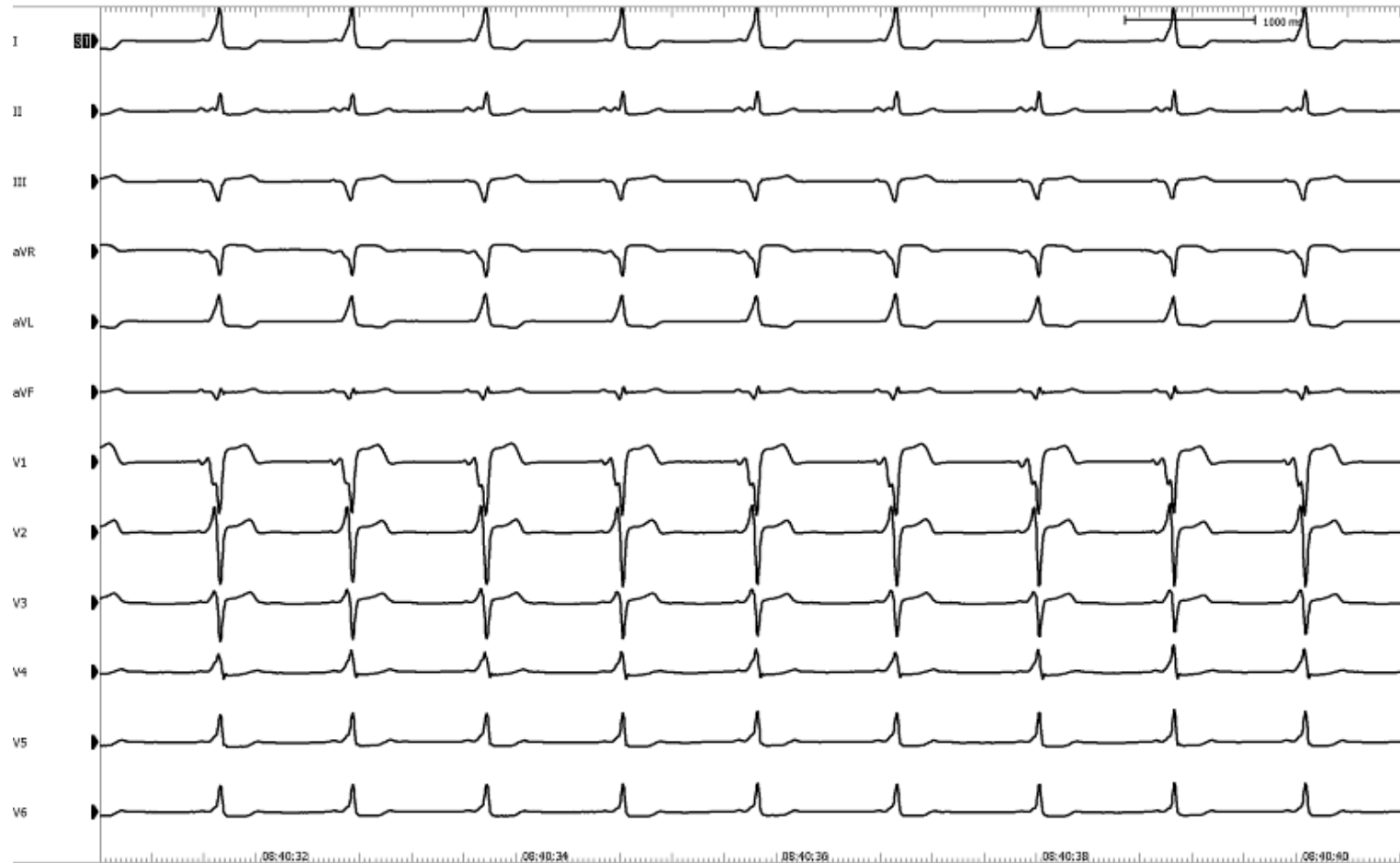
Anteroseptal (para-Hisian)



Intermittent para-Hisian



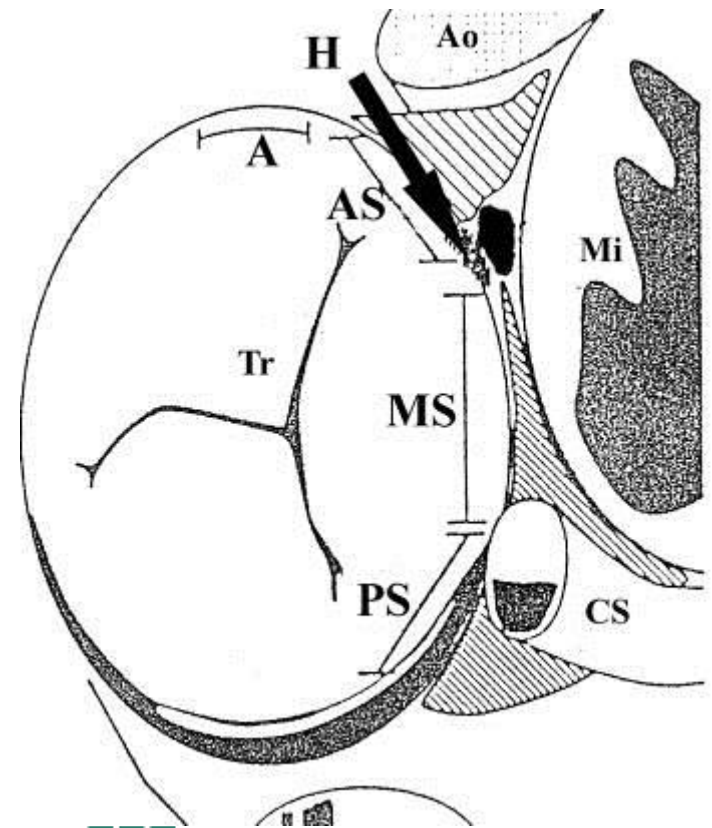
Right lateral



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Right midseptal accessory pathway

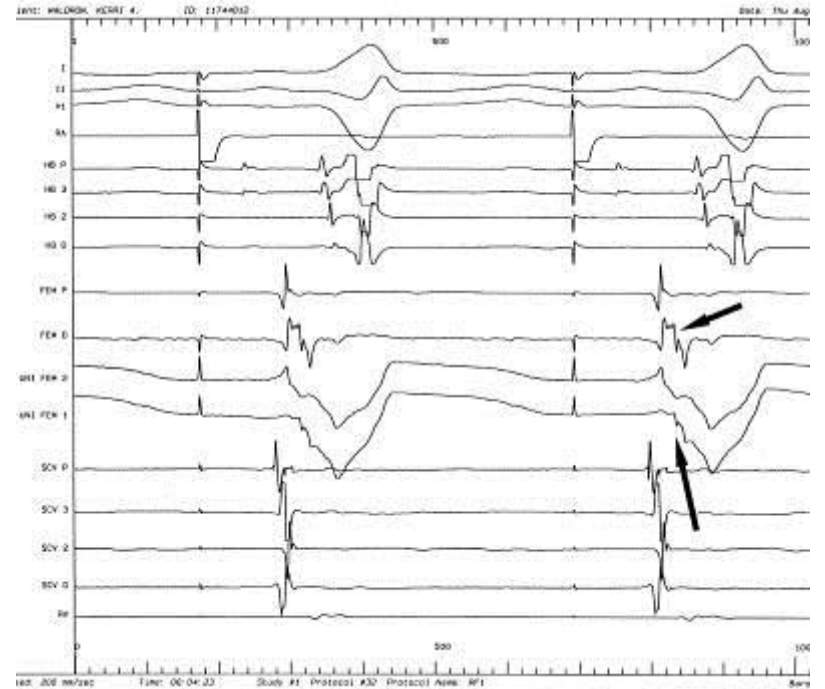
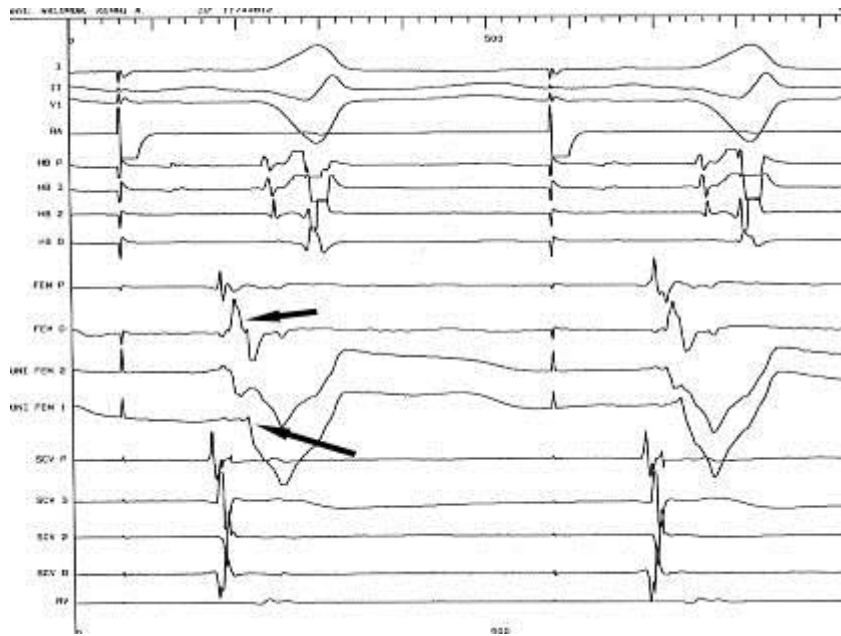


Mapping

- Manifest AP
 - Anterograde mapping
 - Sinus rhythm / atrial pacing (super-Wolff)
 - Retrograde confirmation
 - Oblique pathways
- Concealed pathway
 - During orthodromic reciprocating tachycardia
 - Retrograde conduction / ventricular pacing



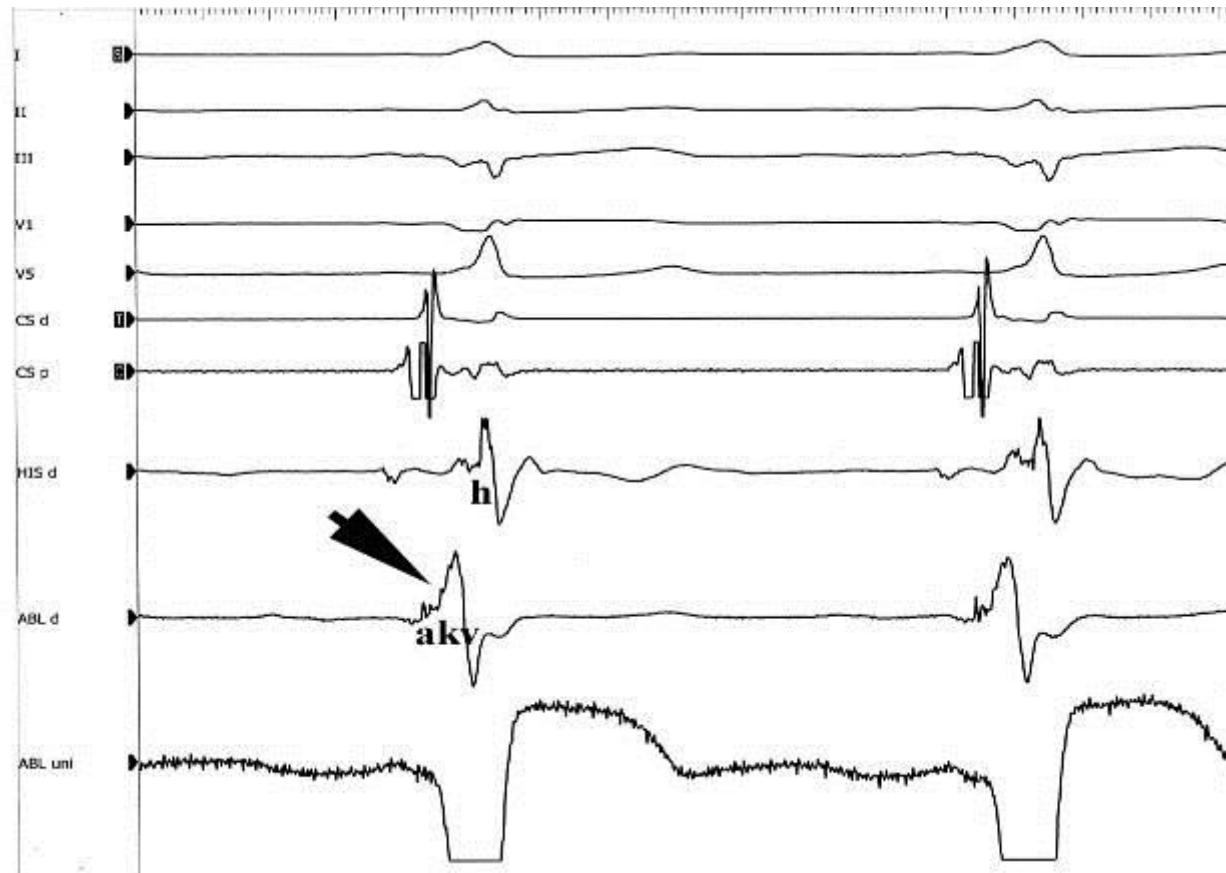
Right posteroseptal mapping



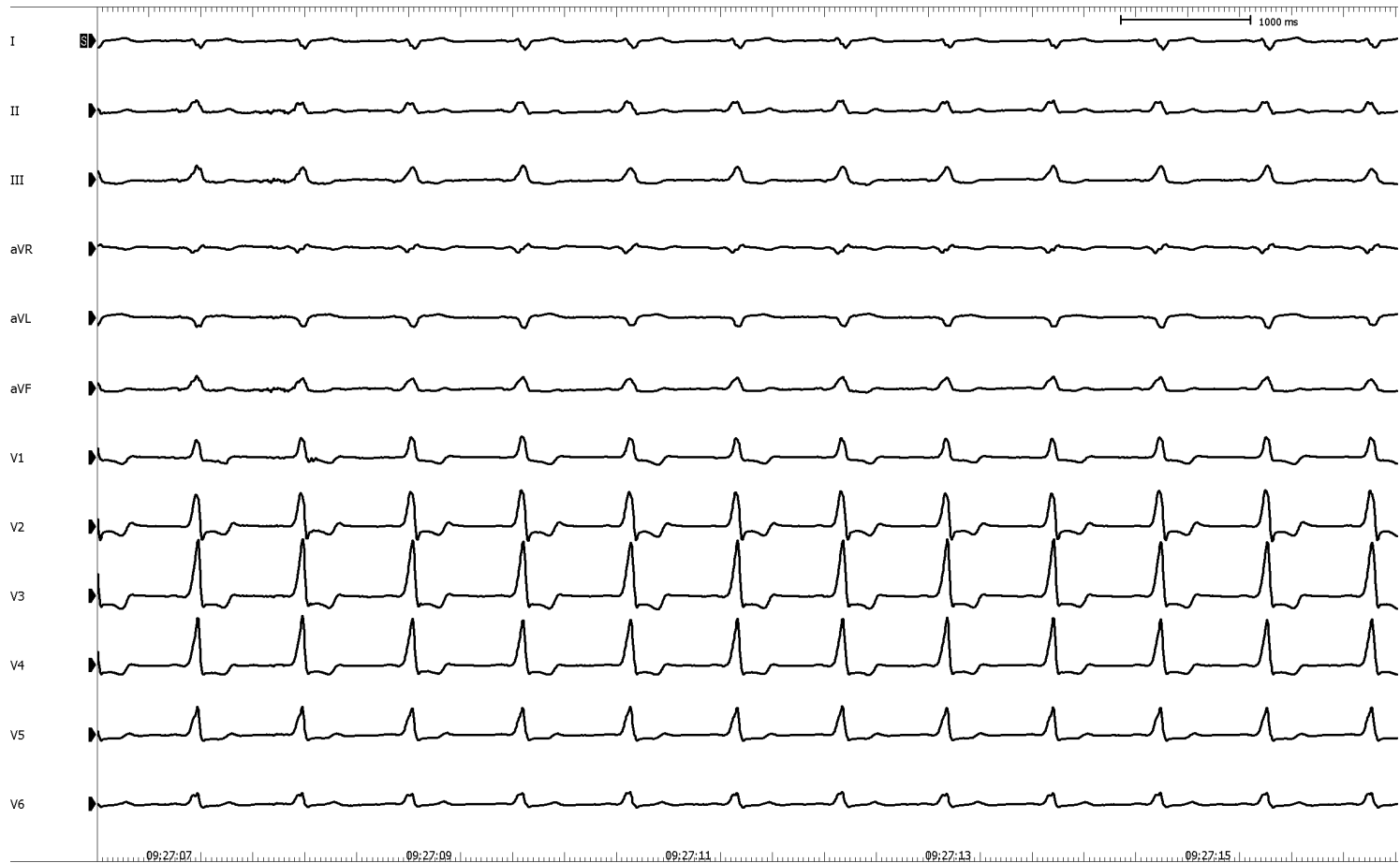
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Right midseptal mapping

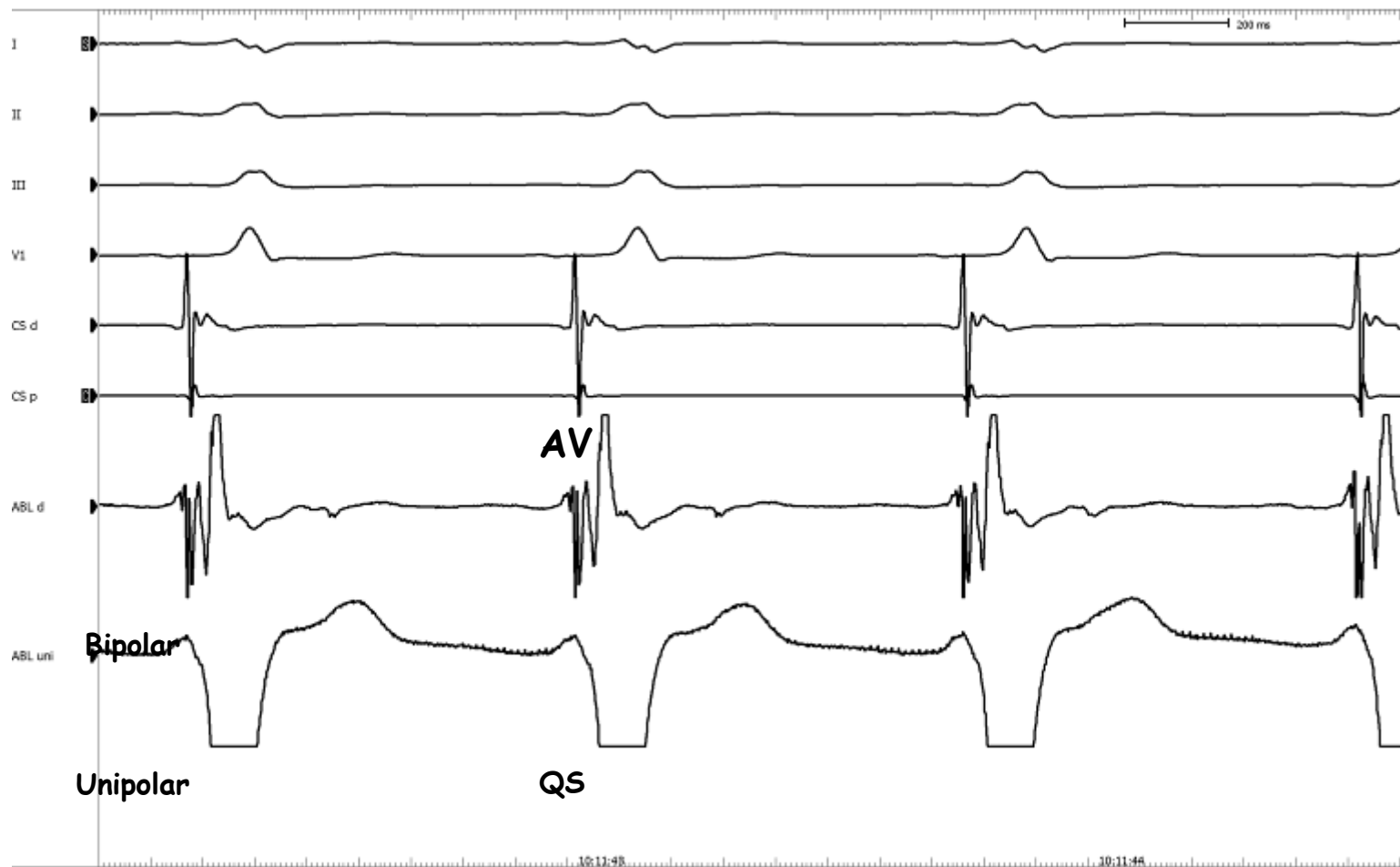


Left lateral pathway

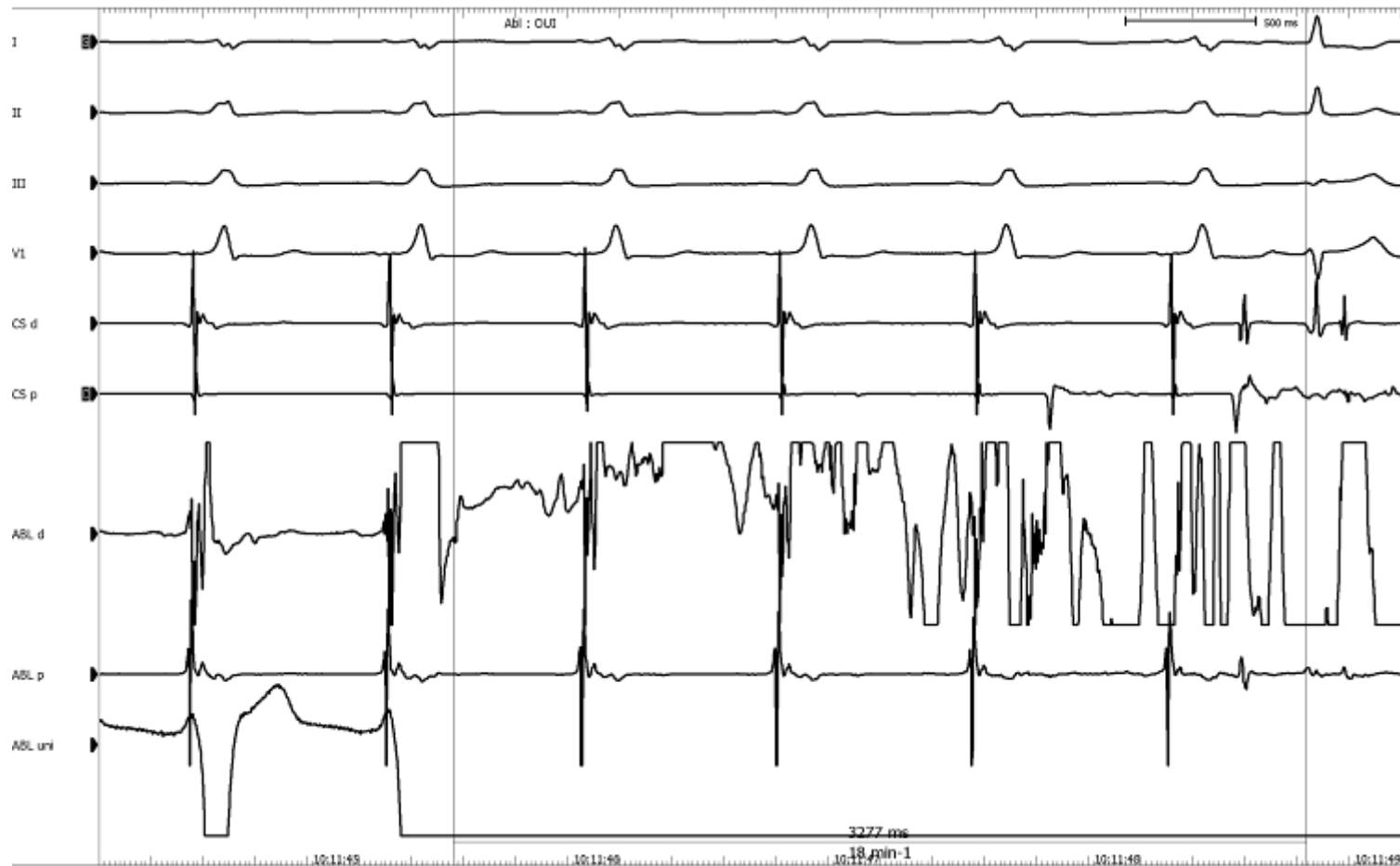


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Bipolar and unipolar recording



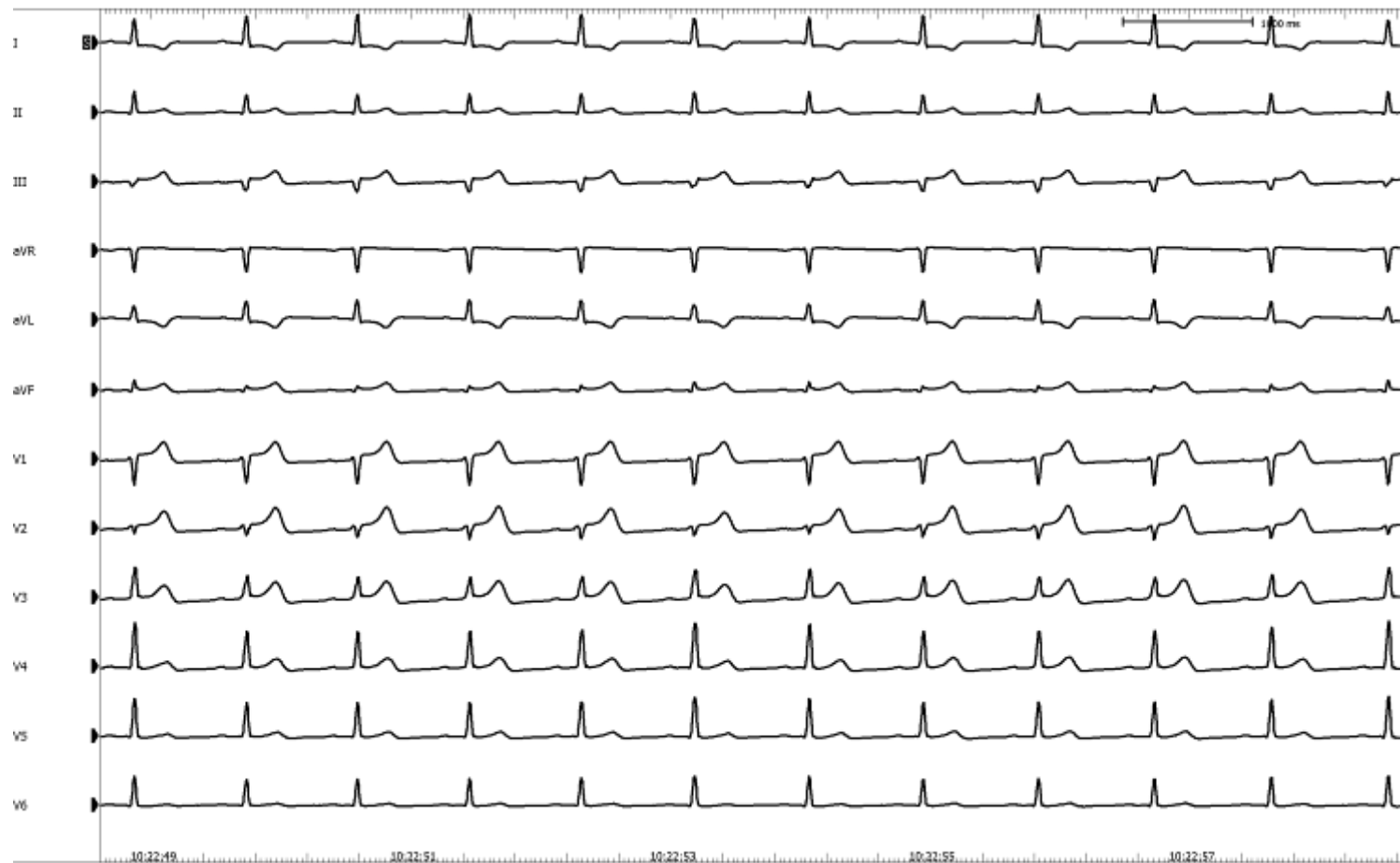
RF delivery



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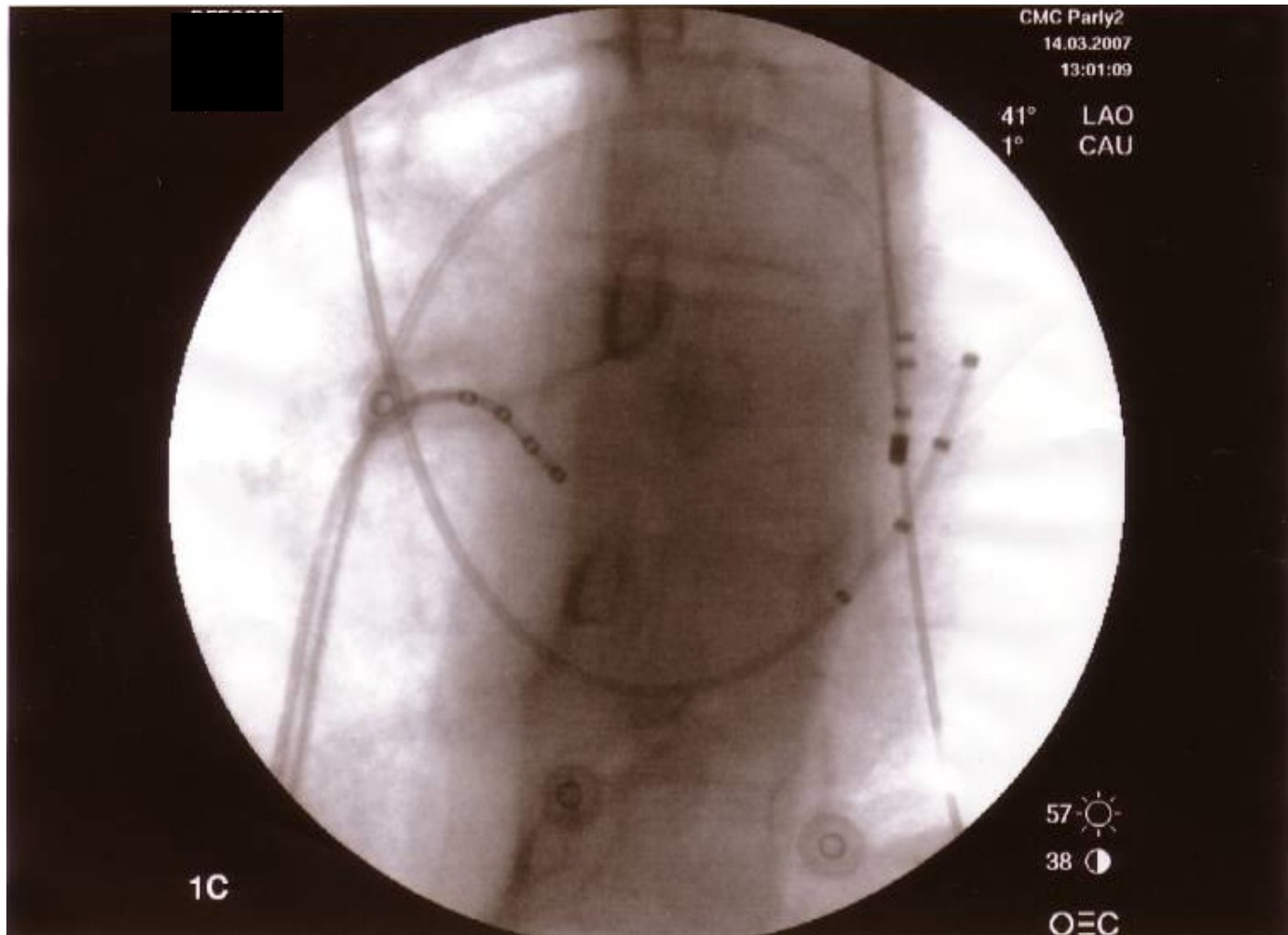
Post ablation ECG



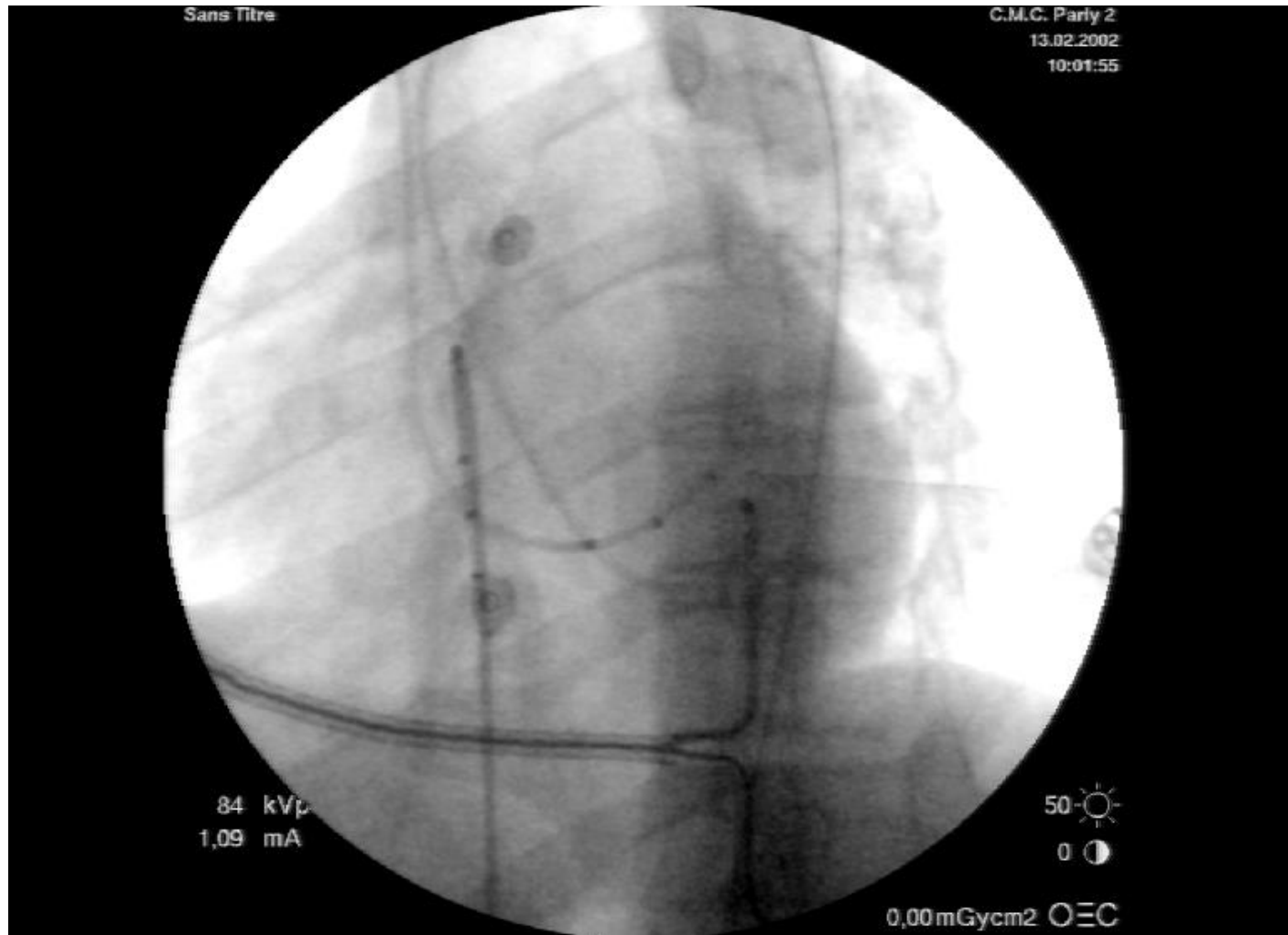
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Trans-septal approach



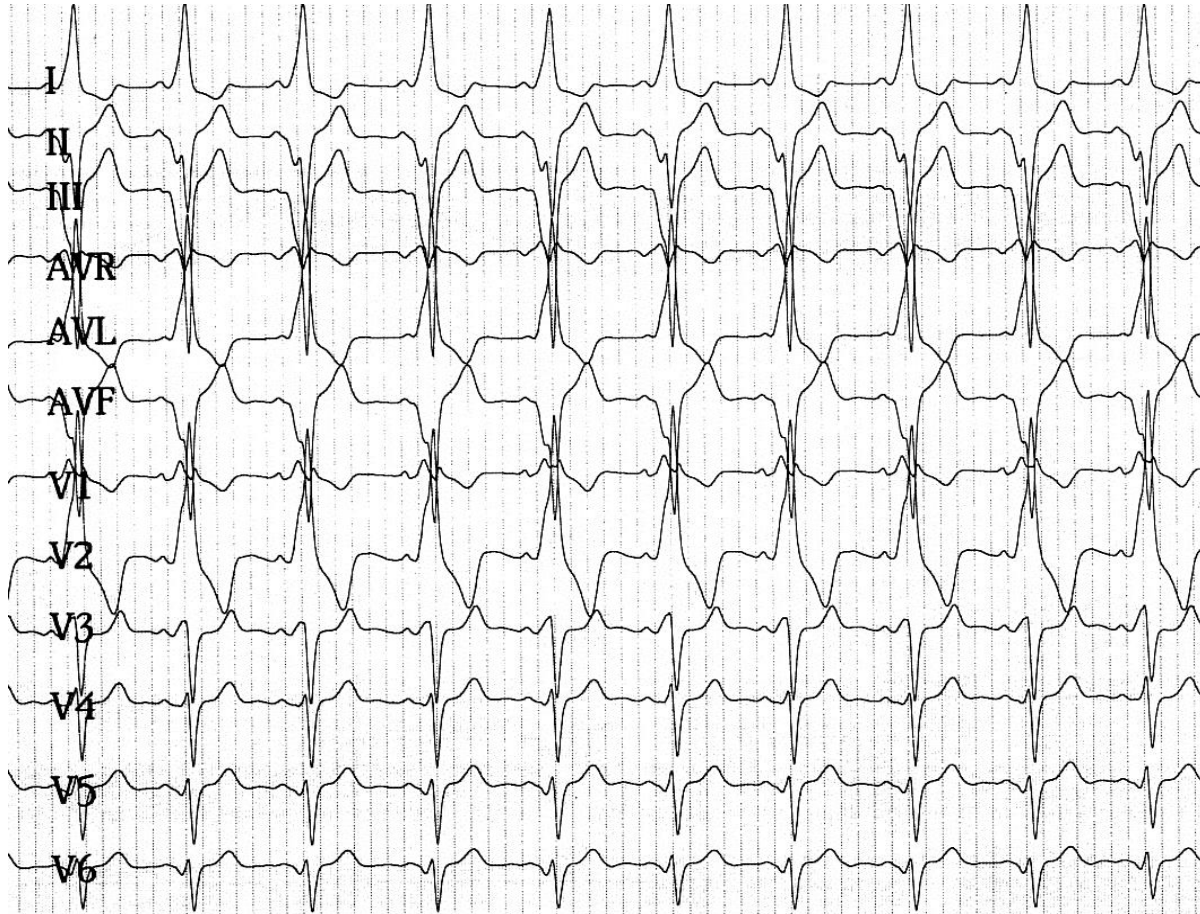
Retrograde approach



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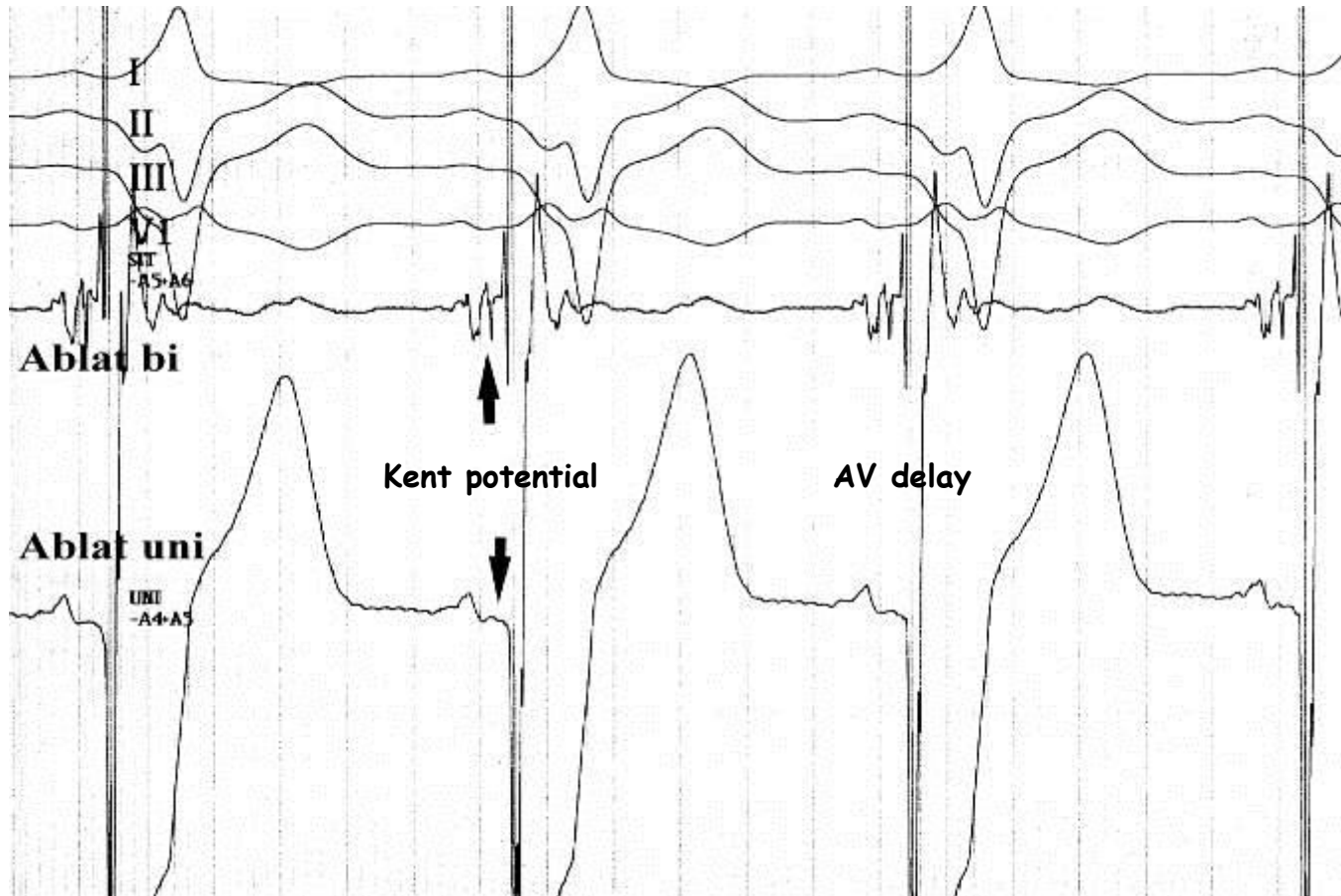
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Epicardial pathway: MCV



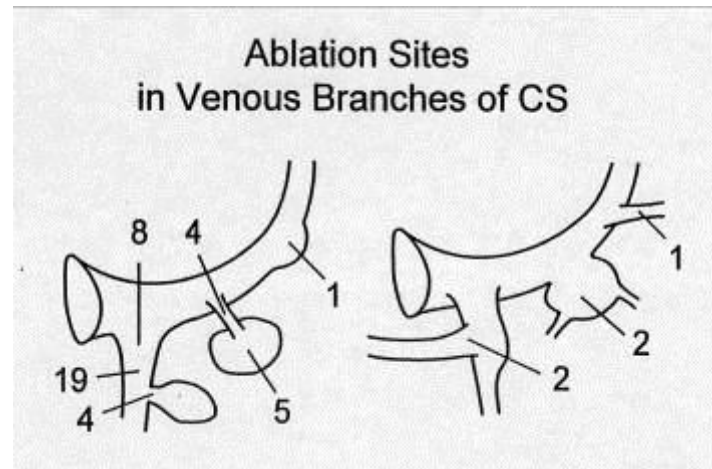
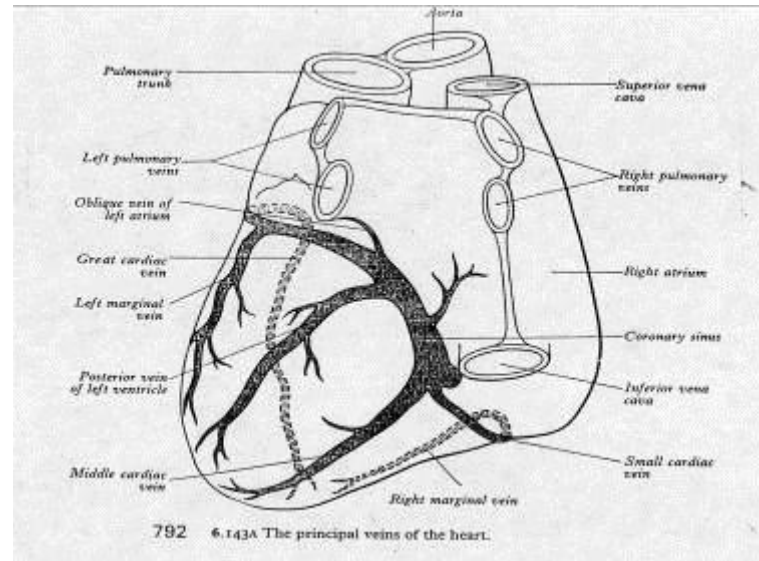
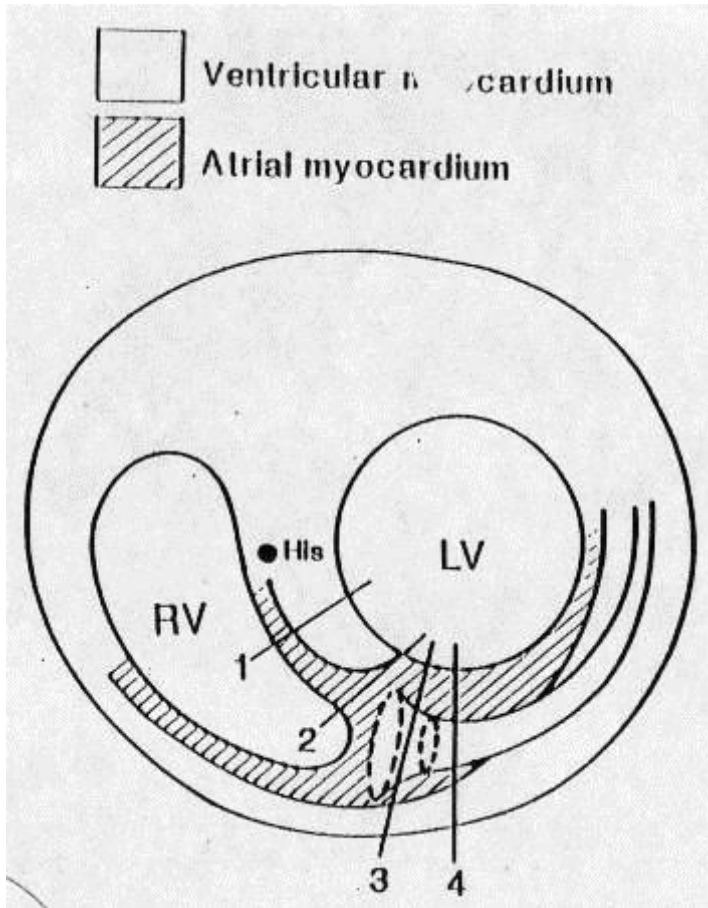
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Successful ablation site

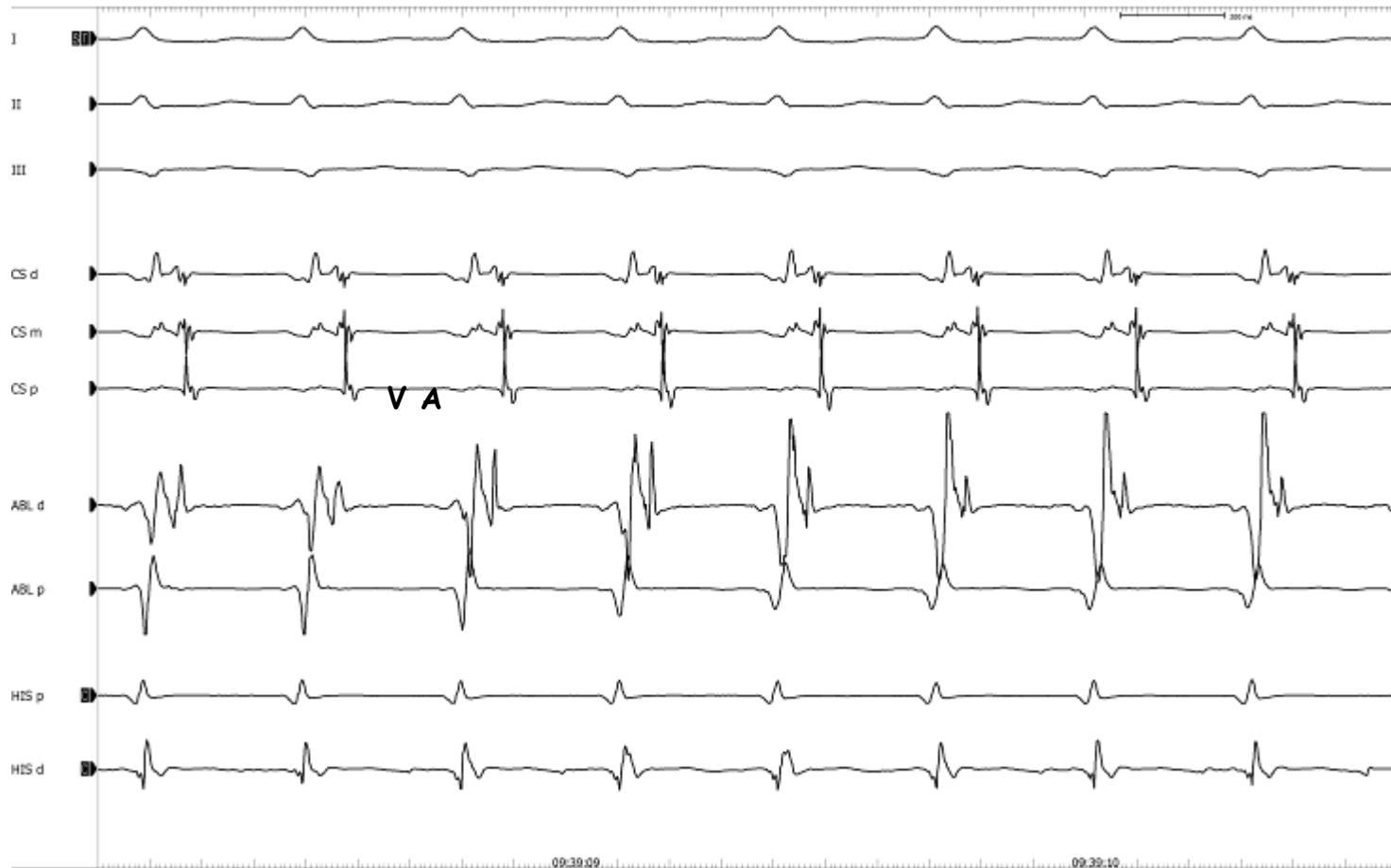


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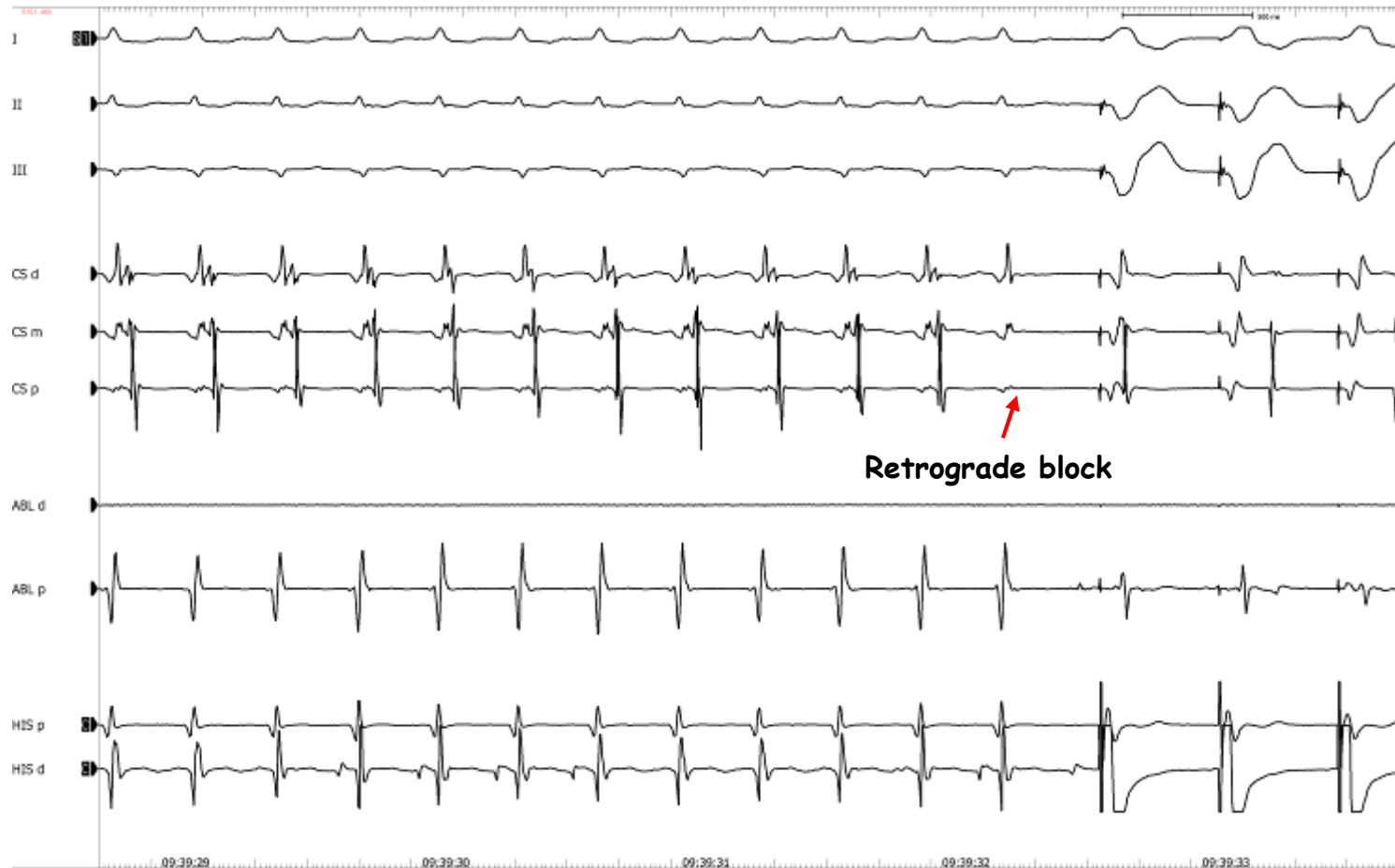
Posteroseptal region



Concealed left lateral: mapping during tachycardia



Success: VA dissociation during ablation



Reversing the Direction of Paced Ventricular and Atrial Wavefronts Reveals an Oblique Course in Accessory AV Pathways and Improves Localization for Catheter Ablation

Kenichiro Otomo, MD; Mario D. Gonzalez, MD; Karen J. Beckman, MD; Hiroshi Nakagawa, MD, PhD; Anton E. Becker, MD; Nayyar Shah, MD; Kagari Matsudaira, MD; Zulu Wang, MD; Ralph Lazzara, MD; Warren M. Jackman, MD

Background—The purpose of this study was to determine how often accessory atrioventricular (AV) pathways (AP) cross

the AV groove obliquely. With an oblique course, the local ventriculoatrial (VA) interval at the site of earliest atrial activation (local-VA) and the local-AV interval at the site of earliest ventricular activation (local-AV) should vary by reversing the direction of the paced ventricular and atrial wavefronts, respectively.

Methods and Results—One hundred fourteen patients with a single AP were studied. Two ventricular and two atrial pacing sites on opposite sides of the AP were selected to reverse the direction of the ventricular and atrial wavefronts along the

annulus. Reversing the ventricular wavefront increased local-VA by \$15 ms in 91 of 106 (91%) patients. With the shorter local-VA, the ventricular potential overlapped the atrial potential along a 17.268.5-mm length of the annulus. No overlap occurred with the opposite wavefront. Reversing the atrial wavefront increased local-AV by \$15 ms in 32 of 44 (73%) patients. With the shorter local-AV, the atrial potential overlapped the ventricular potential along an 11.968.9-mm length of the annulus. No overlap occurred with the opposite wavefront. Mapping during longer local-

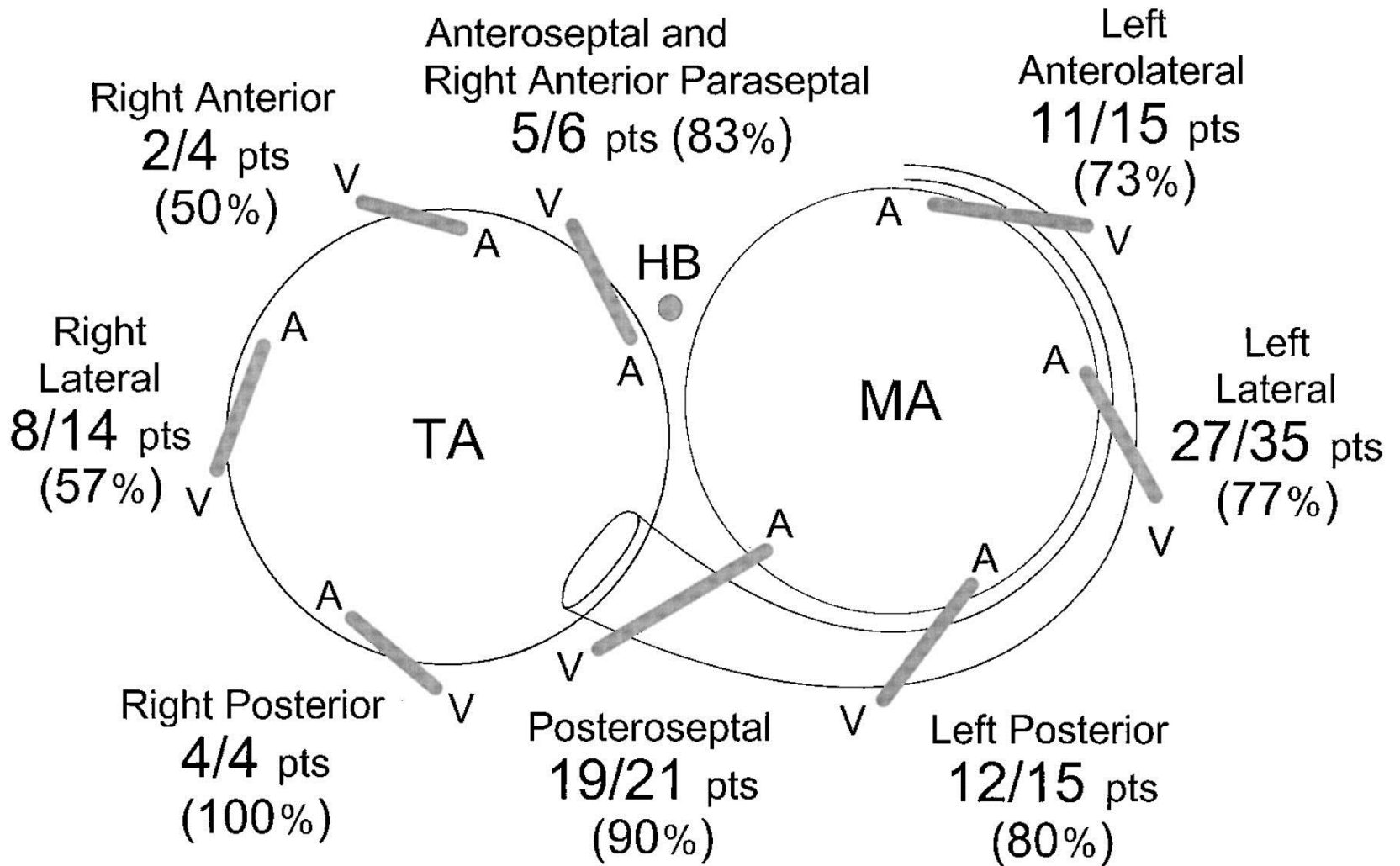
VA or local-AV identified an AP potential in 102 of 114 (89%) patients. Catheter ablation eliminated AP conduction in all 111 patients attempted (median, 1 radiofrequency application in 99 patients with an AP potential versus 4.5 applications without an AP potential).

Conclusions—Reversing the direction of the paced ventricular or atrial wavefront reveals an oblique course in most APs and facilitates localization of the AP potential for catheter ablation.

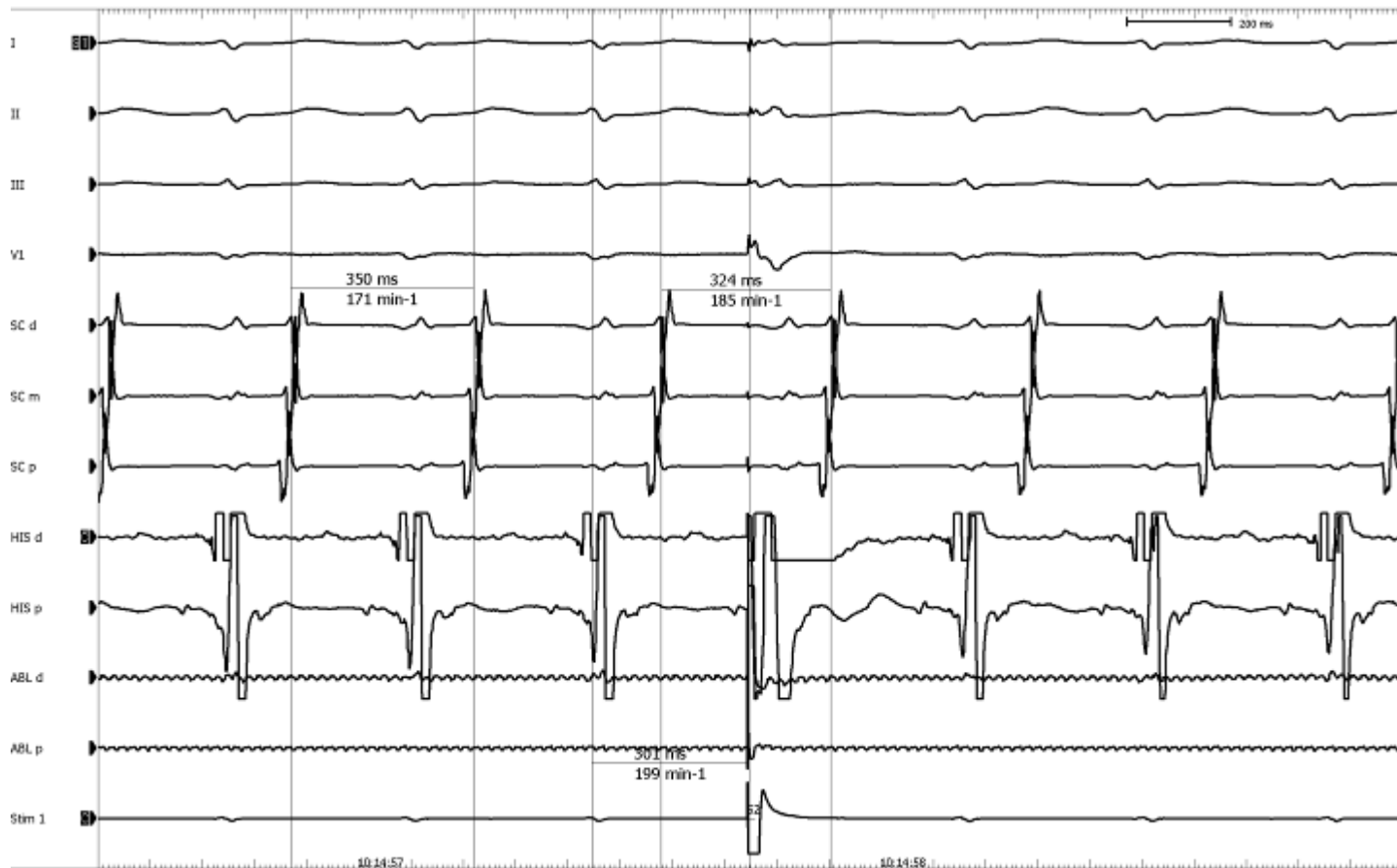
Circulation. 2001;104:550-556



Figure 7. Orientation of oblique course for 114 APs separated into 8 anatomic regions.



Atrial anticipation with late ventricular premature stimulation when His is refractory



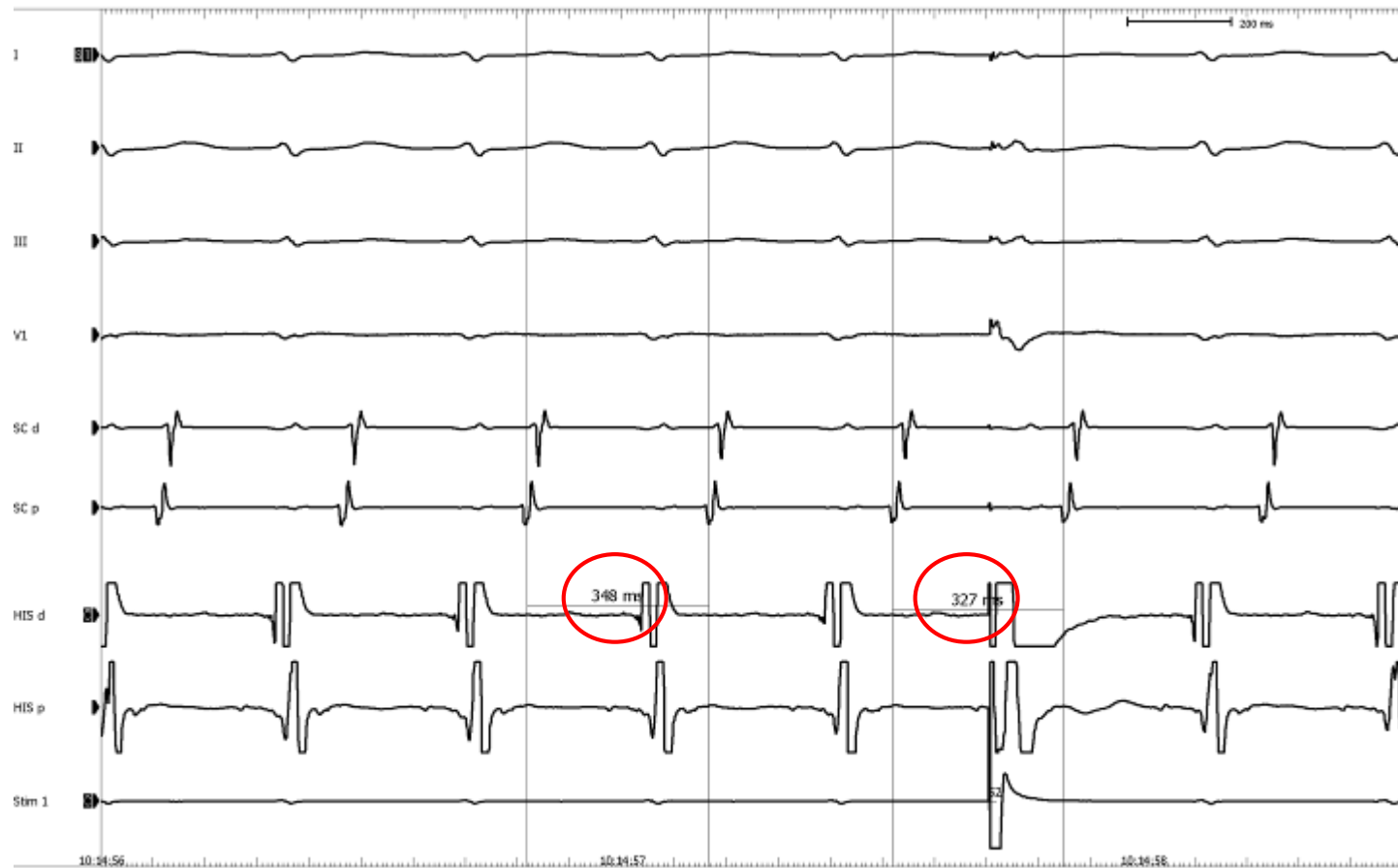
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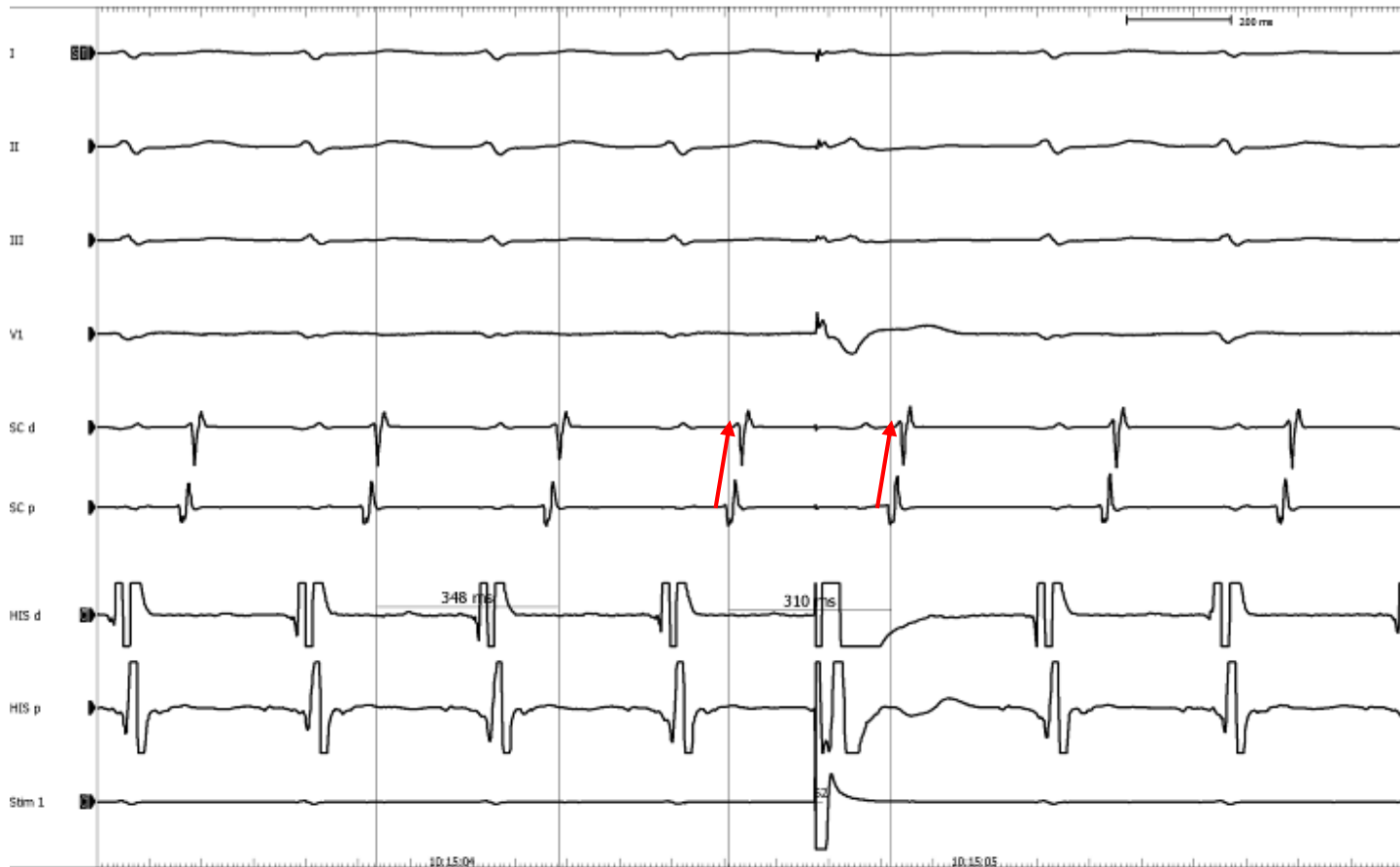
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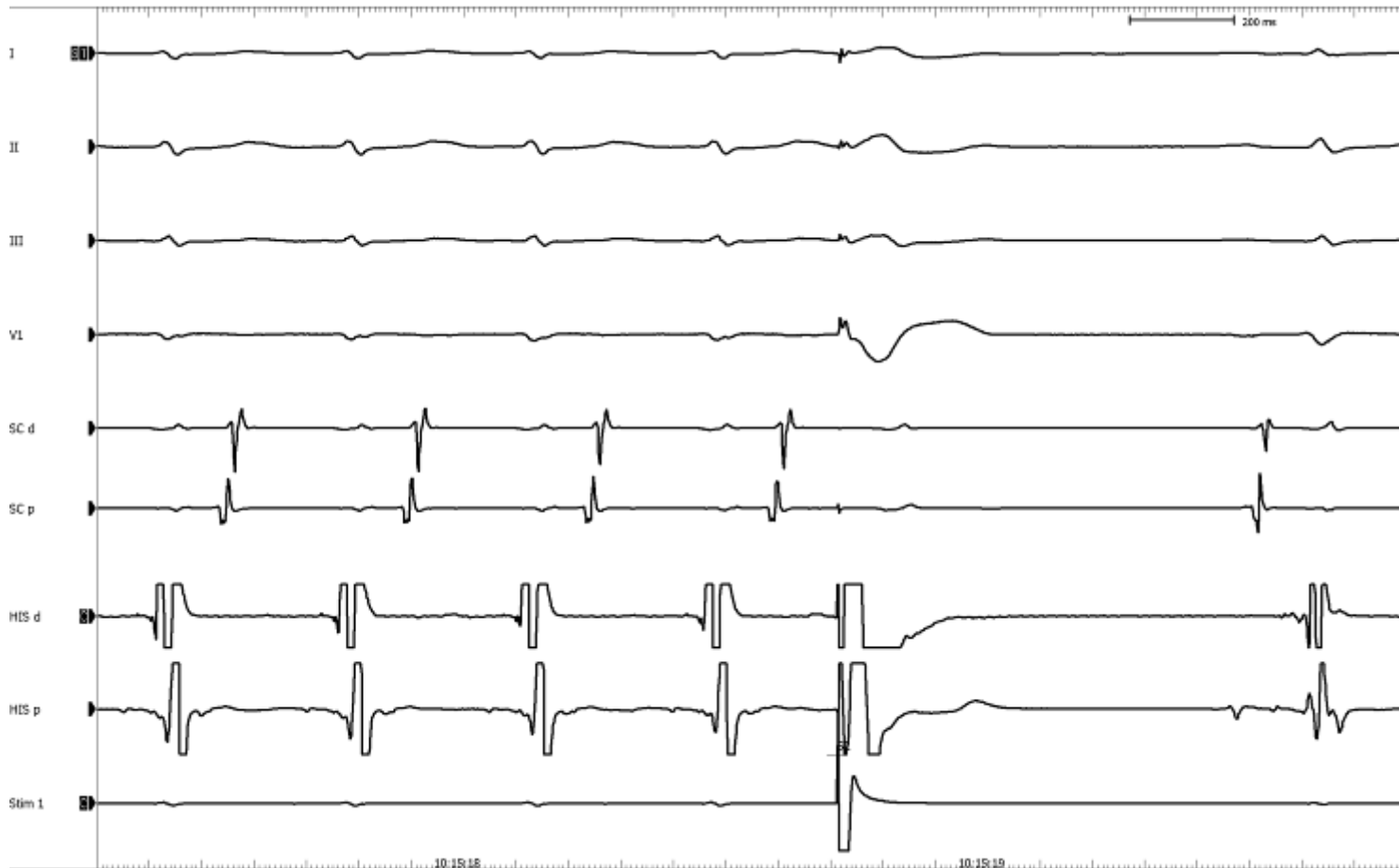
More premature stimulation



Same retrograde activation sequence = same retrograde pathway



Early V not conducted retrogradely stops the tachycardia !



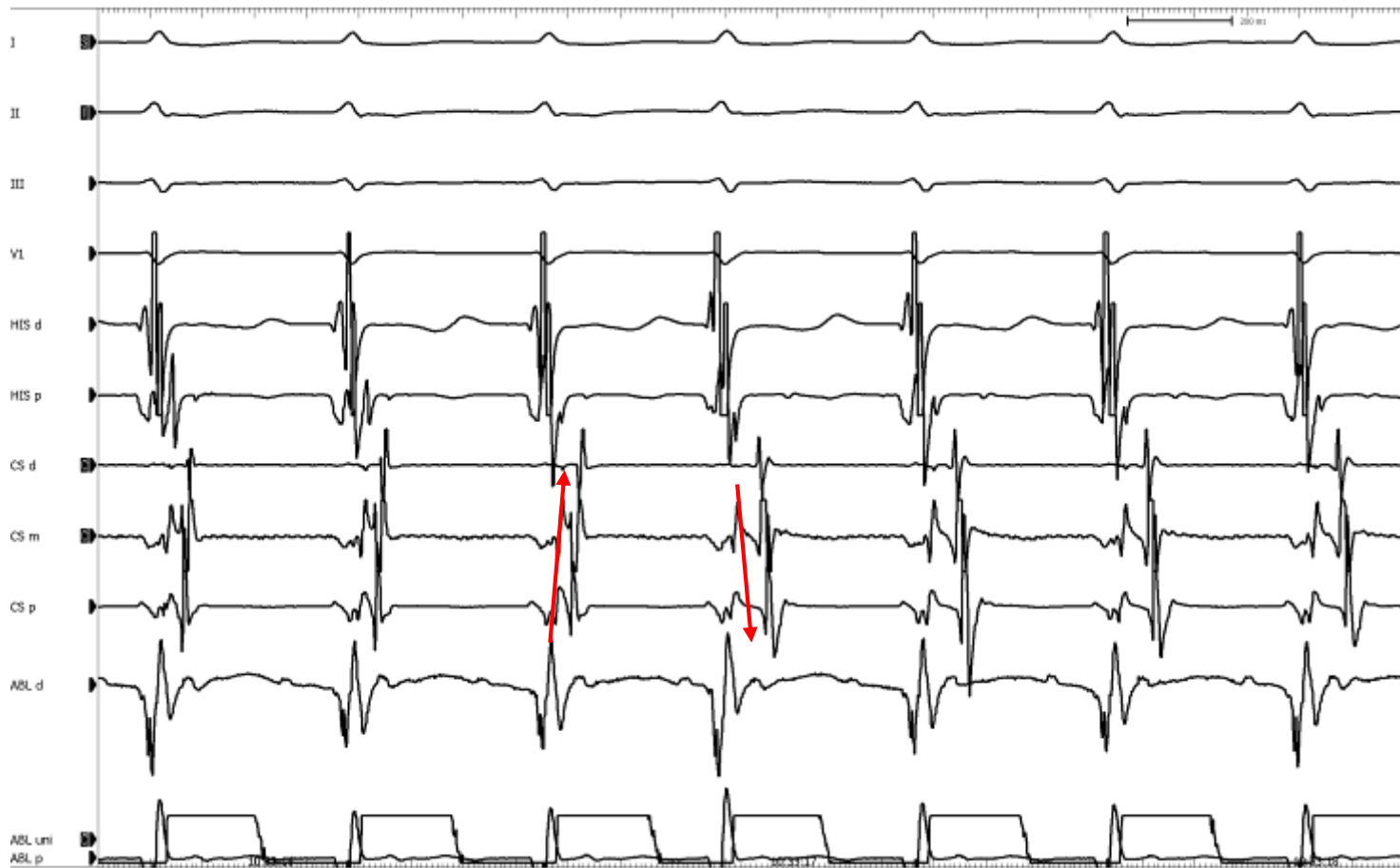
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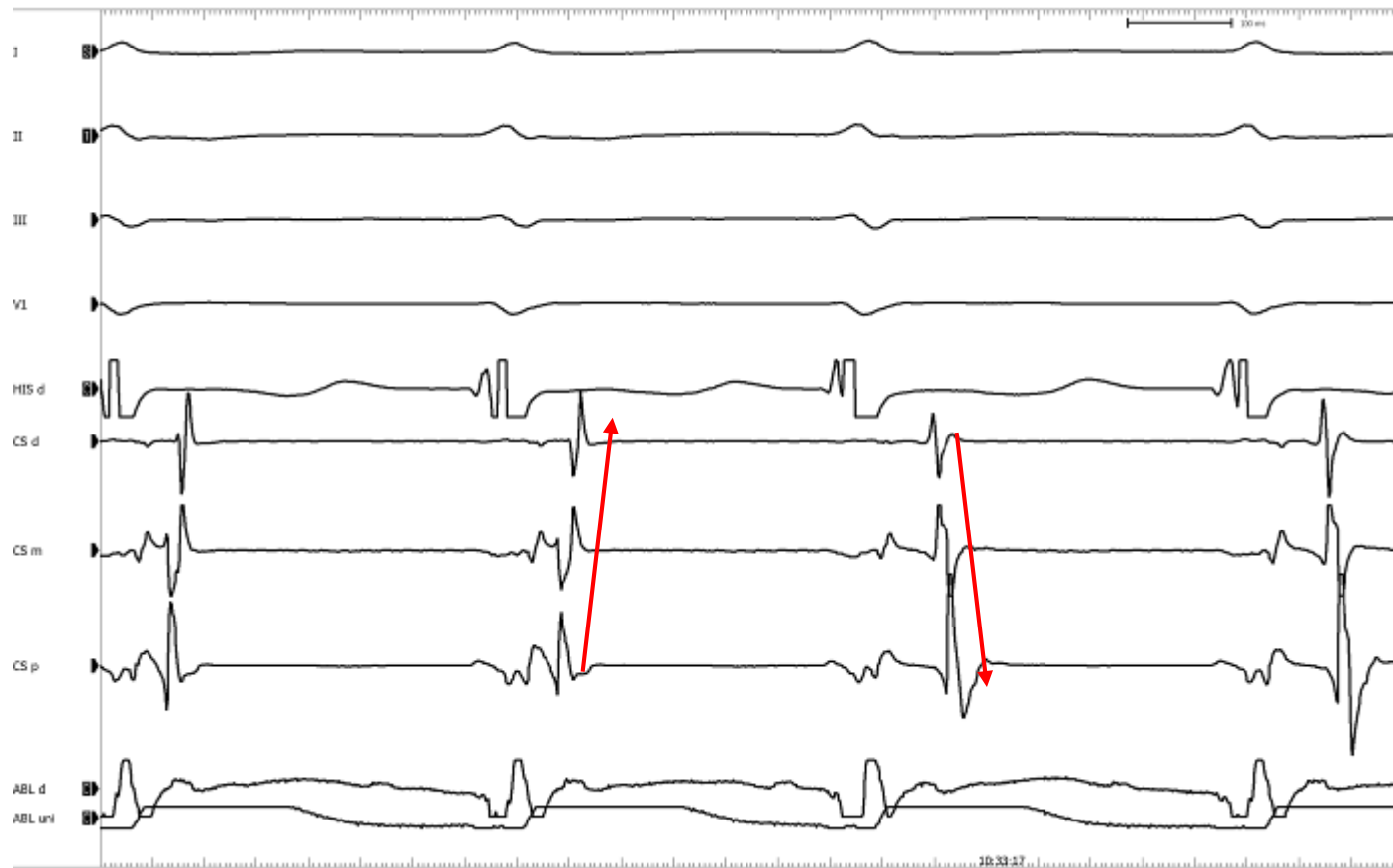
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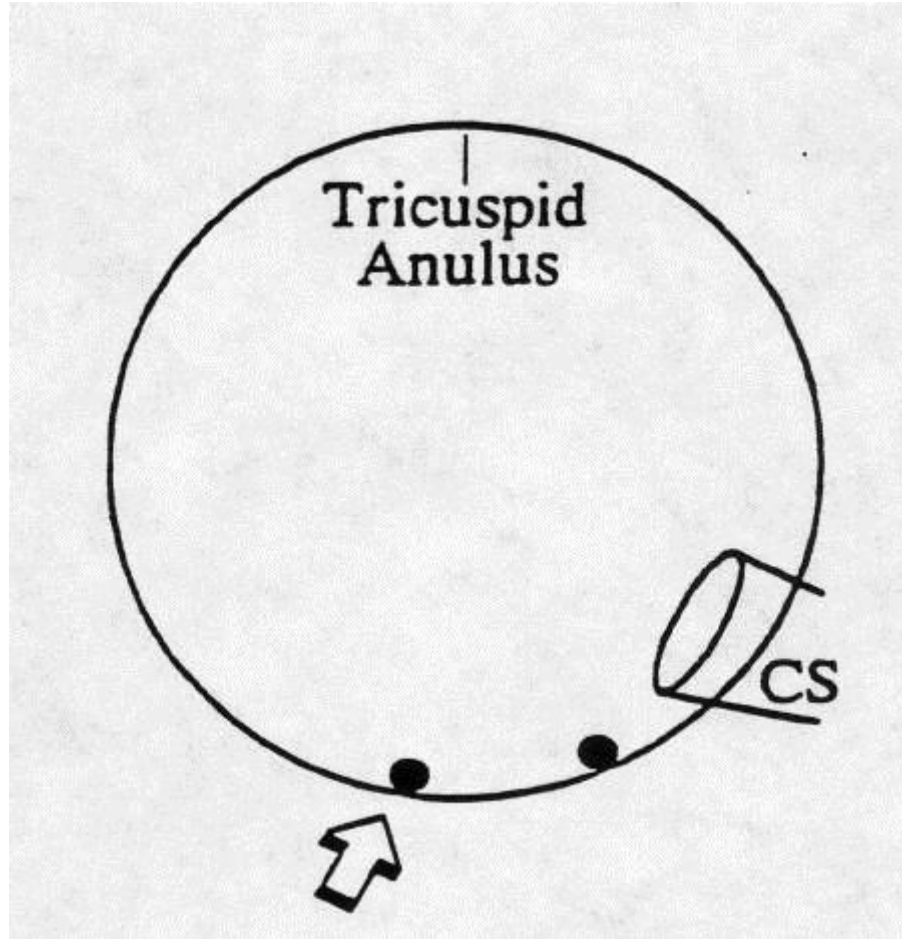
Shift in retrograde activation sequence after induction: 2 left retrograde pathways !



Shift

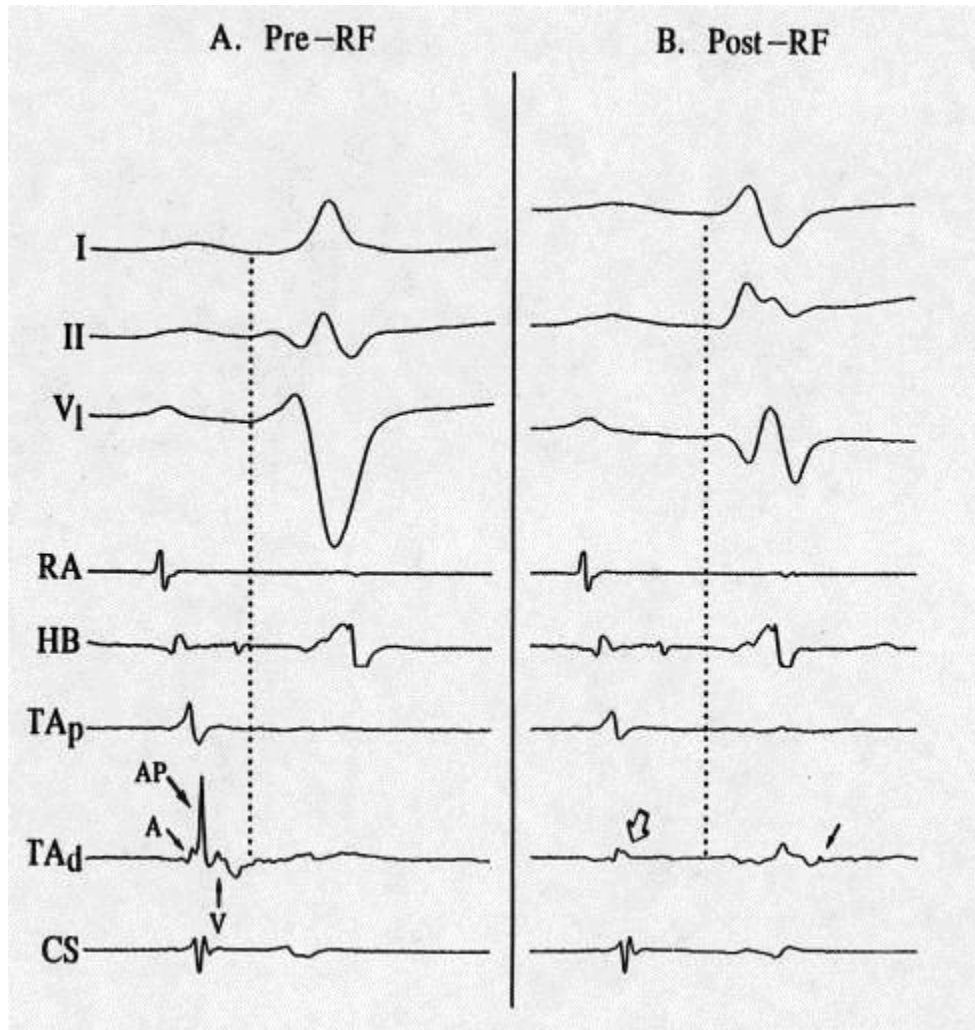


Ebstein / Multiple right APs



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Ebstein / Successful ablation site



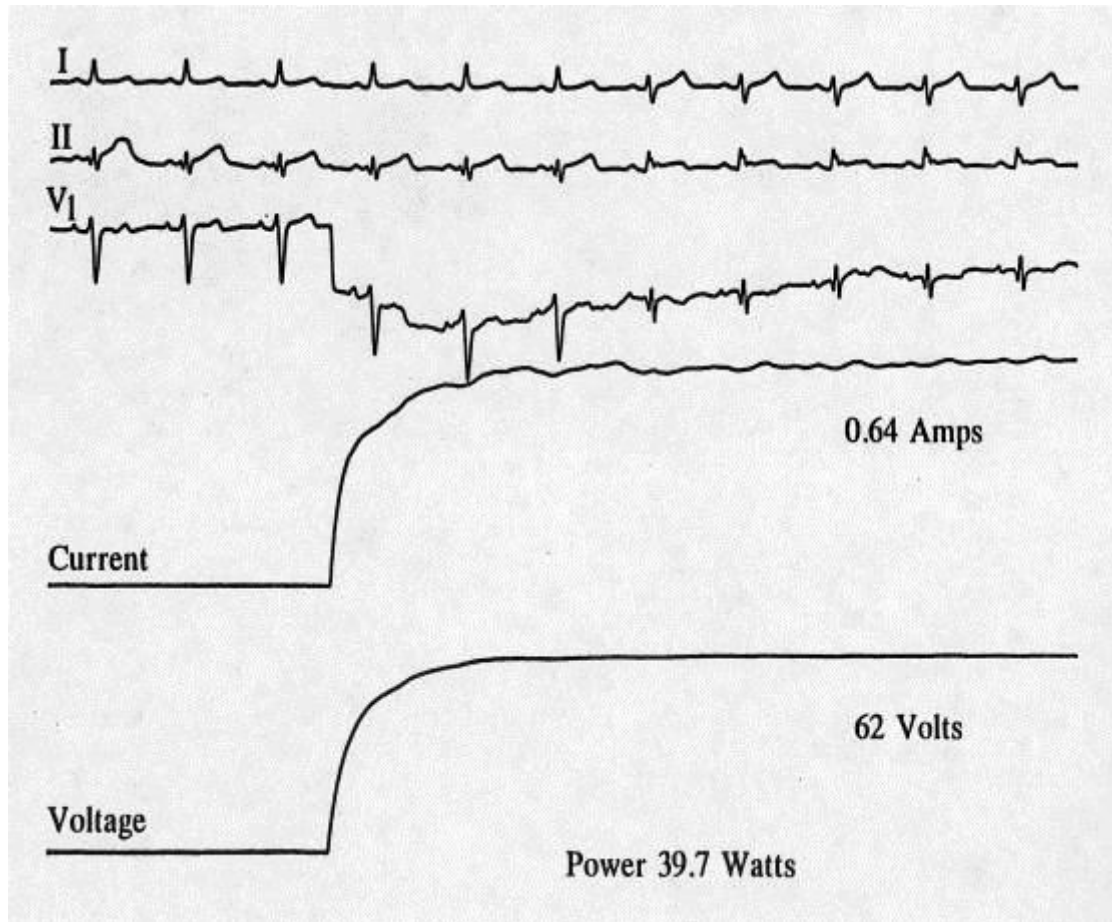
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Ebstein: radiofréquence delivery



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AVRT - AVNRT ablation results

TABLE 2. Results of Catheter Ablation

Arrhythmia	No. of Pts	Median No. (Range) of RF Applications	No. of Pts Requiring Second Procedure for Success	Success With Investigational System	Overall Success	Recurrence*
AVJ	121	4 (1–57)	3 (3%)	108 (89%)	121 (100%)	2 (2%)
AVNRT	373	6 (1–73)	3 (1%)	348 (93%)	362 (97%)	16 (5%)
AP	500	6 (1–98)	24 (5%)	398 (80%)	465 (93%)	31 (8%)
LFW	270	5 (1–77)	9 (3%)	224 (82%)	257 (95%)	7 (3%)
RFW	92	8 (1–98)	6 (7%)	66 (72%)	83 (90%)	9 (14%)
Posteroseptal	98	6 (1–46)	8 (8%)	73 (74%)	86 (88%)	9 (12%)
Septal	40	6 (1–31)	1 (3%)	35 (88%)	39 (98%)	6 (17%)
Multiple APs	36	16 (1–54)	8 (22%)	24 (67%)	31 (86%)	5 (21%)
Multiple targets	20	16 (2–58)	4 (20%)	11 (55%)	17 (85%)	2 (17%)
Total	1050	6 (1–98)	42 (4%)	889 (85%)	996 (95%)	56 (6%)

Pts indicates patients; LFW, left free wall; and RFW, right free wall.

*Analysis of arrhythmia recurrence was confined to those patients in whom success was achieved with the investigational ablation system.

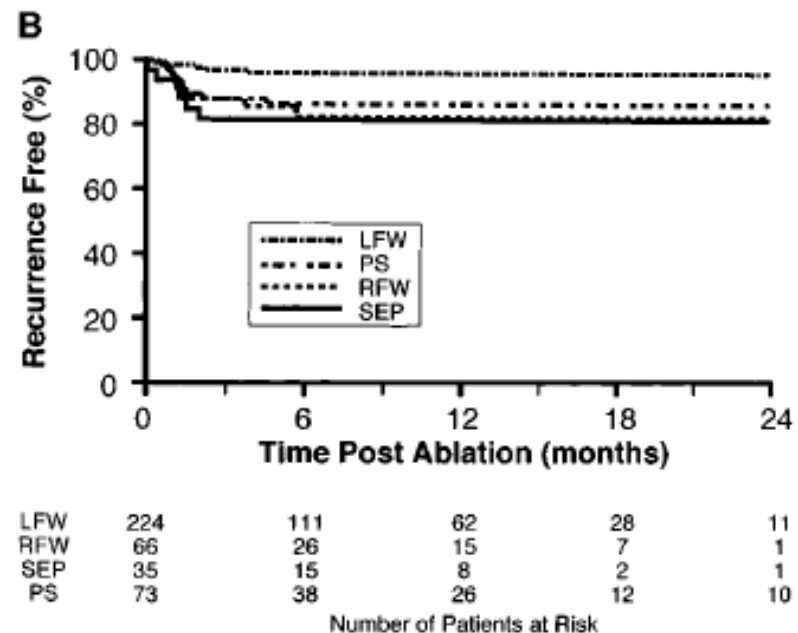
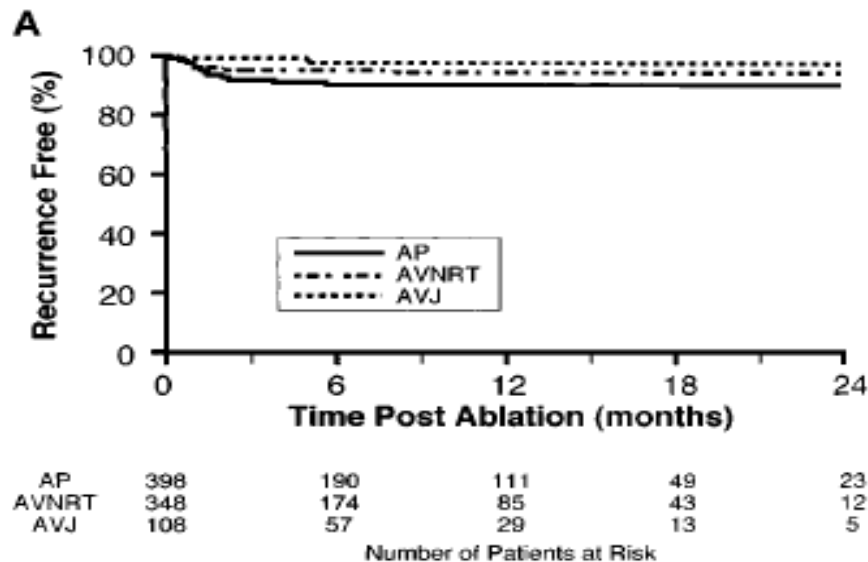


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Calkins H. et al *Circulation* 1999; 99: 262-270

Freedom from arrhythmia recurrence after ablation



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Independent risk factor for recurrence after WPW syndrome ablation

TABLE 7. Stepwise Multivariate Cox Proportional Hazards Model: Recurrence

Predictor	Partial Risk Ratio	95% CI	Model <i>P</i>
Septal AP, Y/N	4.32	1.78, 10.48	0.001
Multiple APs, Y/N	4.21	1.61, 10.95	0.003
RFW AP, Y/N	3.08	1.44, 6.58	0.004
Posteroseptal AP, Y/N	2.67	1.25, 5.70	0.011

RFW AP indicates right free wall AP.



AVRT – AVNRT ablation complications

TABLE 4. Complications

Complication Type	No. of Pts	% of Pts		
Major complications				
Periprocedural death	3	0.30		
Stroke	2	0.20		
Complete AV block	10	1.00		
Tamponade	6	0.60		
Valve damage*	1	0.10		
Myocardial infarction	1	0.10		
Coronary artery spasm	1	0.10		
Pneumothorax	1	0.10		
Thrombus/embolic event	4	0.40		
Coronary sinus perforation	1	0.10		
Radiation injury	1	0.10		
Femoral artery laceration	1	0.10		
			Other complications	
			Pericardial effusion	20 1.90
			Pericarditis	4 0.38
			Hematoma	32 3.05
			Pleural effusion	4 0.38
			Hypotension	6 0.57
			Chest pain	4 0.38
			Vasovagal reaction	3 0.29
			Respiratory depression	2 0.19
			Temperature elevation	1 0.10
			Pneumonia	2 0.19
			Brachial plexus injury	1 0.10
			Groin pain	1 0.10
			Other AV block†	21 2.00

Pts indicates patients.

*At least 2 grades of increase in regurgitant fraction.

†First, second, or third-degree AV block not requiring a permanent pacemaker.

Thank You

Any question ?



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