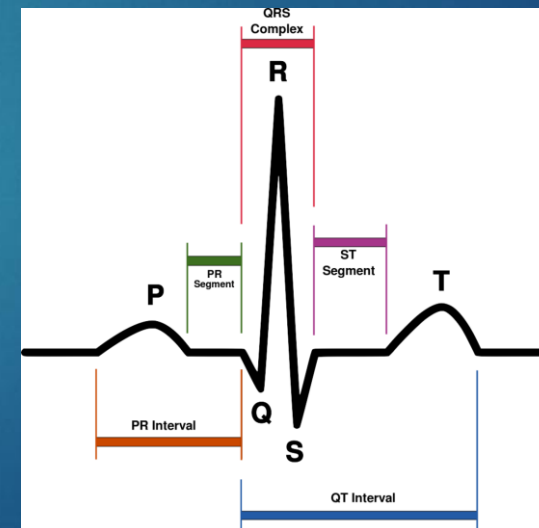


Pattern recognition

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- ▶ Rate

- ▶ Rhythm

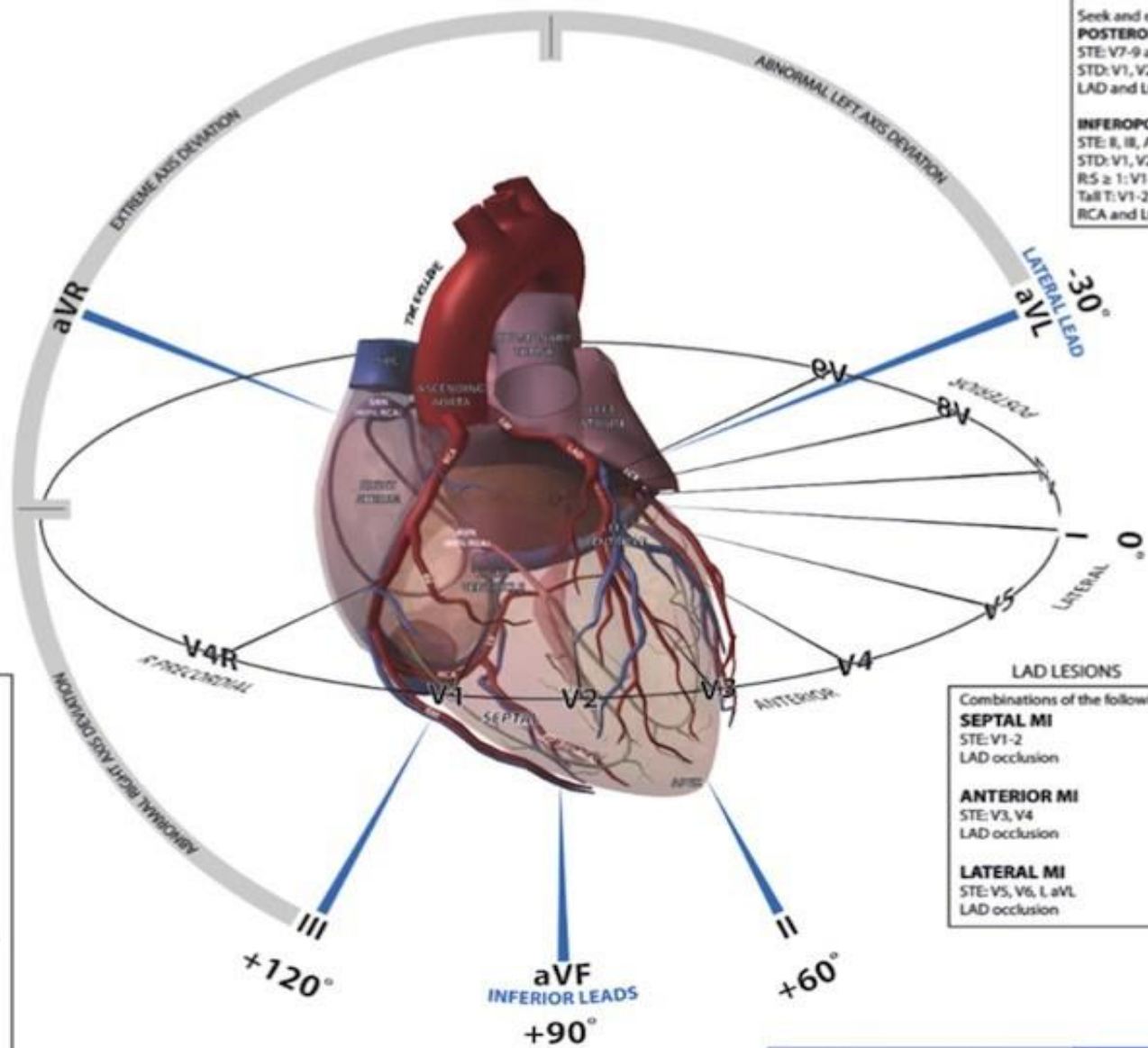
- ▶ Axis

- ▶ Intervals

- ▶ Chamber enlargements

- ▶ Ischaemia

AMI ECG, ANATOMY AND PATHOLOGY



LCX LESIONS ±

POSTERIOR MI
 STE: V7-9
 STD: V1-2 (reciprocal STE)
 RS ≥ 1: V1-2
 Tall T: V1-2
 RCA and LCX occlusion

Seek and exclude
POSTEROLATERAL MI
 STE: V7-9 and I, aVL, V5-6
 STD: V1, V2
 LAD and LCX occlusion

INFEROPOSTERIOR MI
 STE: II, III, AVF and V7-9
 STD: V1, V2 (reciprocal STE)
 RS ≥ 1: V1-2
 Tall T: V1-2
 RCA and LCX occlusion

RCA 'TYPE' LESIONS ±

INFERIOR MI

STE: II, III, aVF
 STD: aVL (reciprocal STE)
 RCA occlusion distal to RV
 58% of MI

Seek and exclude

INFERIOR AND RV MI

STE: II, III, aVF and V1, V4R
 RCA occlusion proximal to RV
 40% of Inferior MI
 Increased mortality risk

INFEROLATERAL MI

STE: II, III, AVF and I, aVL, V5, V6 ± V4R
 LAD and LCX occlusion
 in a L dominant system

INFEROPOSTERIOR MI

STE: II, III, AVF and V7-9
 STD: V1, V2 (reciprocal STE)
 RS ≥ 1: V1-2
 Tall T: V1-2
 RCA and LCX occlusion

LAD LESIONS

Combinations of the following

SEPTAL MI

STE: V1-2
 LAD occlusion

ANTERIOR MI

STE: V3, V4
 LAD occlusion

LATERAL MI

STE: V5, V6, I, aVL
 LAD occlusion

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- ▶ 75yo male with HTN, DM-2 complains of angina

 - ▶ What does this ECG show?

Referred by:

Confirmed By:



LMCA Obstruction

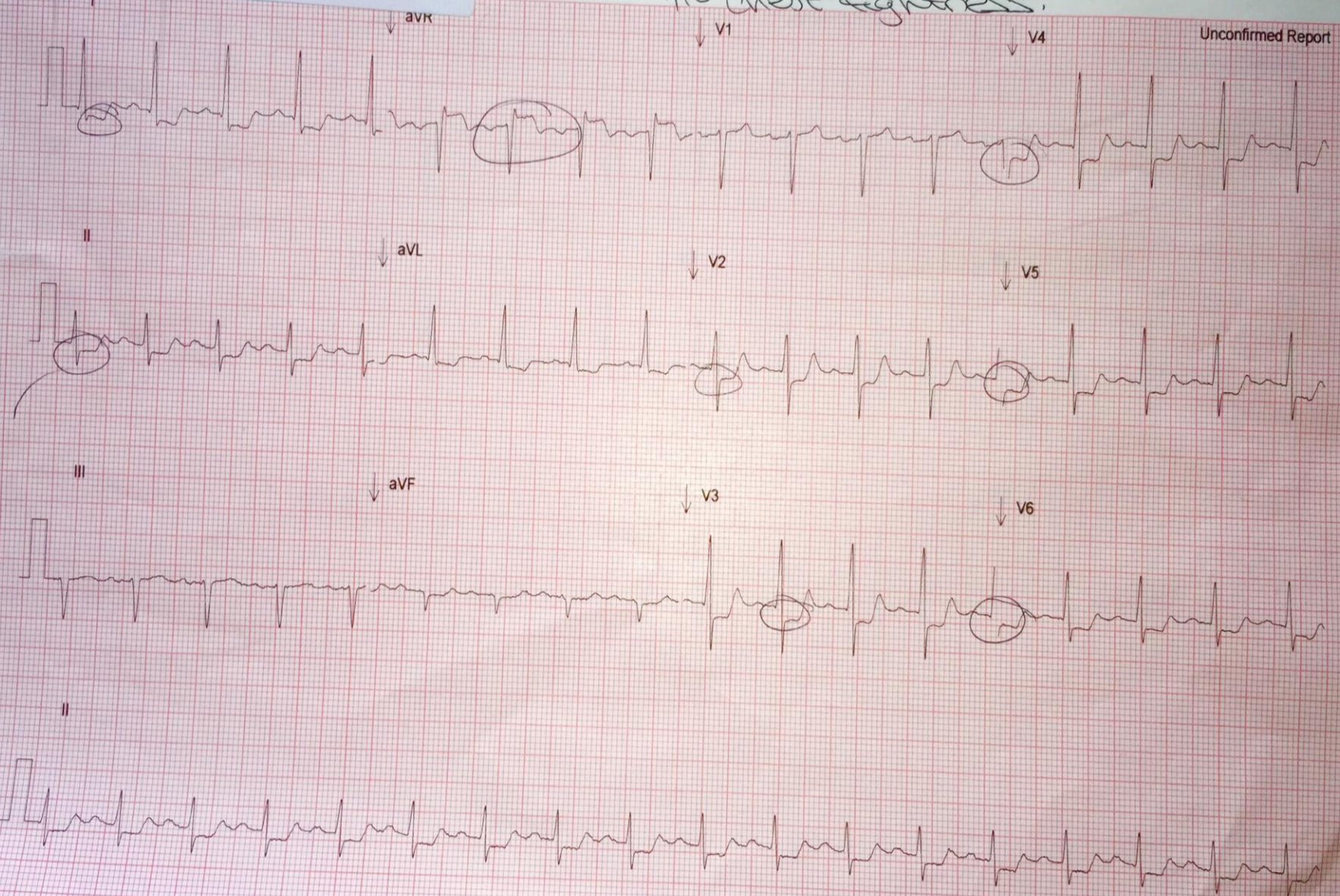
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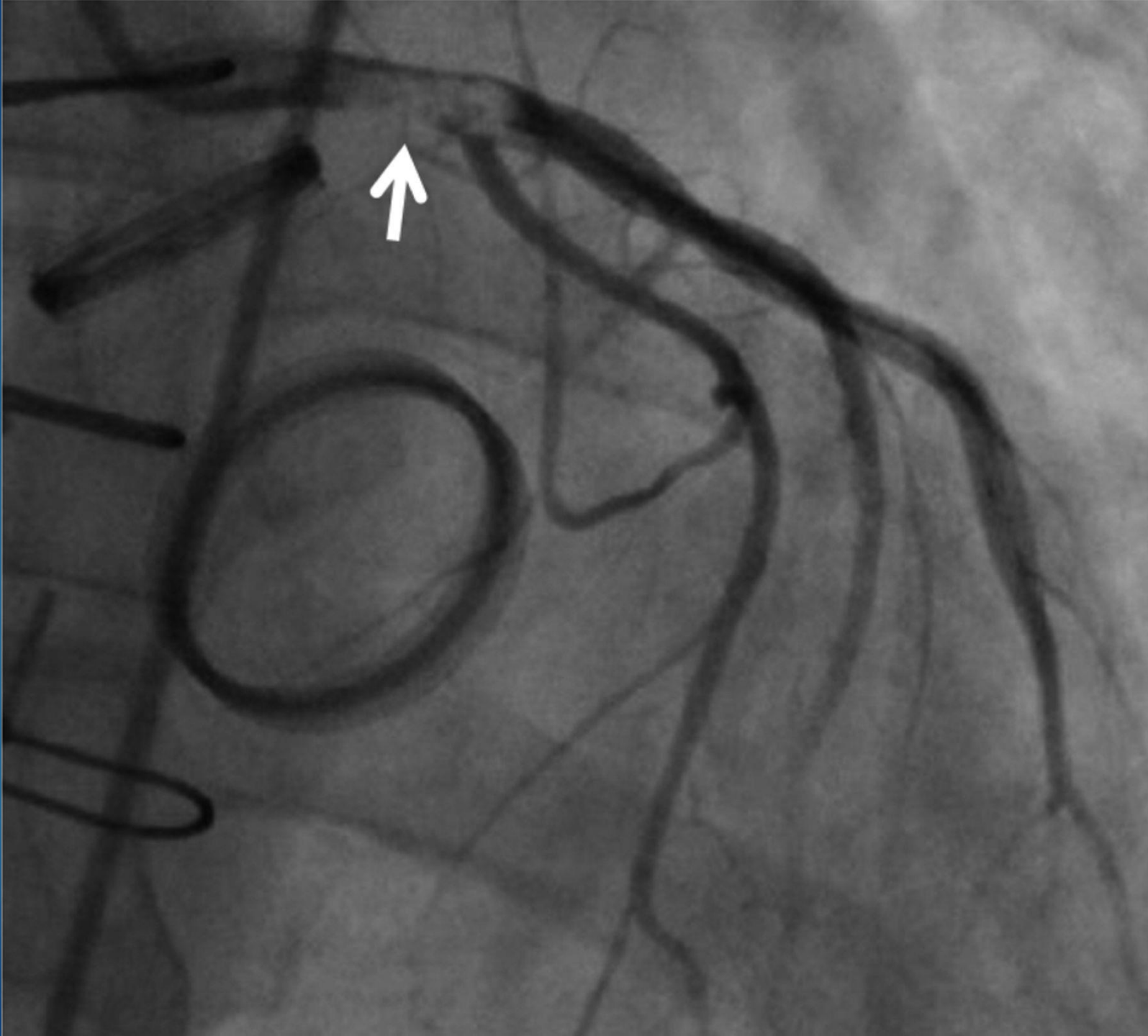
P/QRS/T AXIS: 39/-27/-177 deg
Heart Rate: 105 BPM

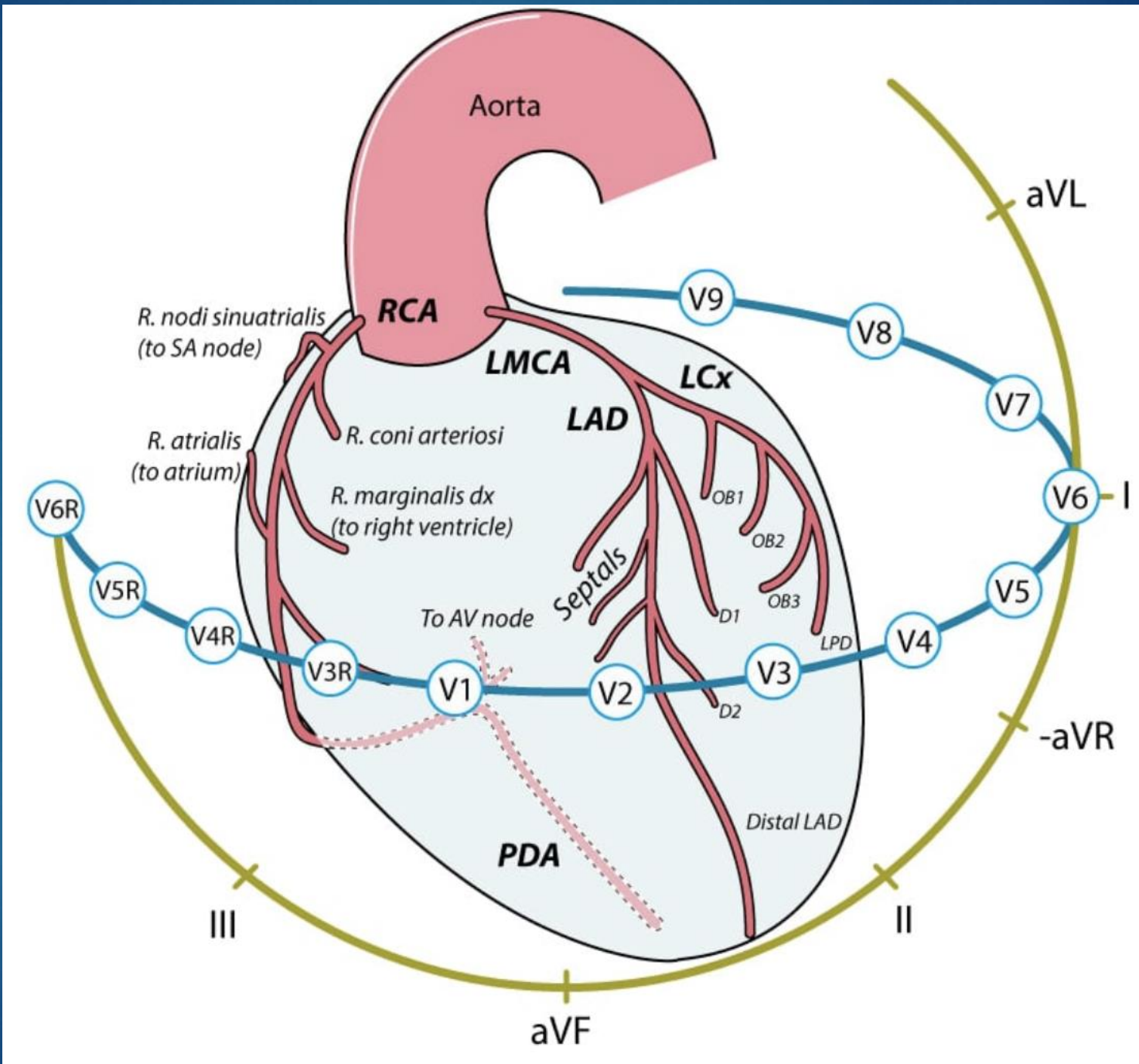
moderate high lateral repolarization disturbance, consider ischemia or LV overload
negative T in I aVL
Abnormal ECG

9/10 chest tightness.

Unconfirmed Report







LMCA Obstruction

- ▶ Widespread horizontal ST depression
- ▶ ST elevation in aVR ≥ 1 mm
- ▶ ST elevation in aVR \geq V1



Also seen in

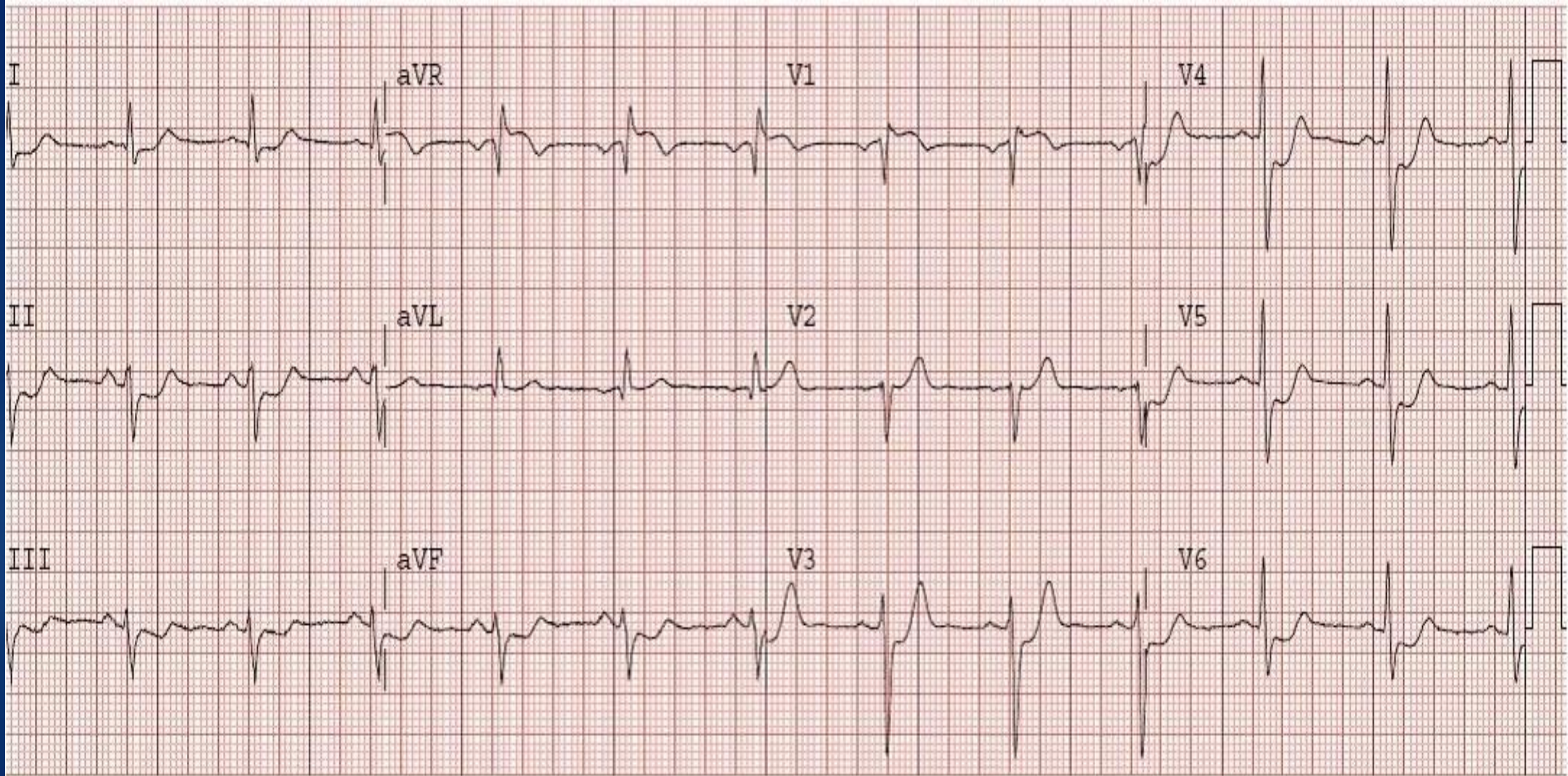
- ▶ Prox LAD obstruction
- ▶ Severe Triple vessel disease
- ▶ Diffuse subendocardial ischaemia

PE, LVH with strain, LBBB (including PPM), SVTs, hypok+, aortic dissection,
Na ch pathology (TCA, Brugada etc), severe anaemia

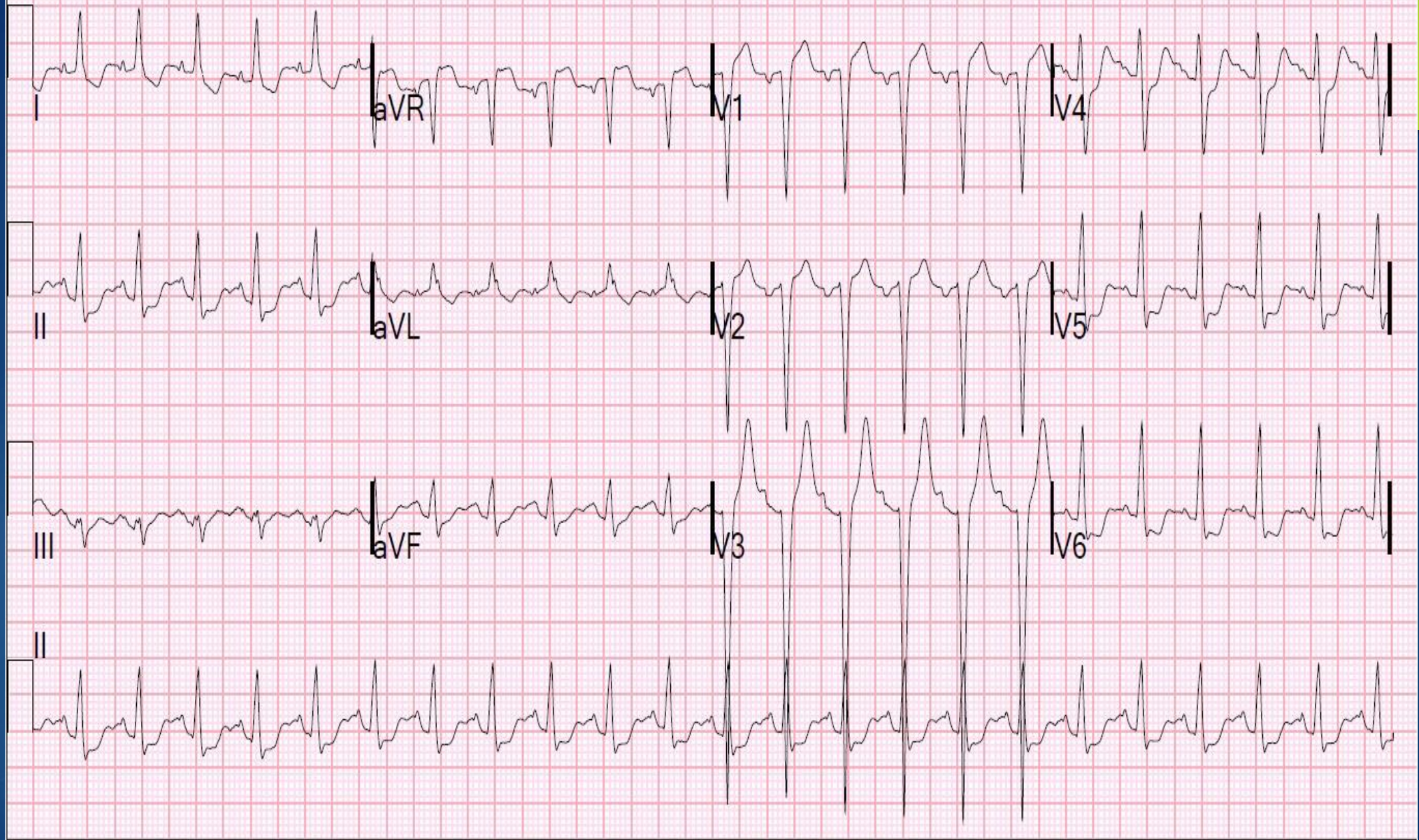
In the presence of anginal symptoms,

- ▶ STE in aVR + STE in V1
 - ▶ - Highly predictive of LMCA or Prox LAD obstruction

- ▶ STE in aVR > STE in V1
 - ▶ - almost always indicates a LMCA obstruction (81% sensitive and 80% specific)



Patient had a severe ostial LAD thrombus that was close to the left main.



Another classic example of the LMCA / 3VD ECG pattern




▶ I would treat a patient with LMCA obstruction with all the following except:

▶ Aspirin

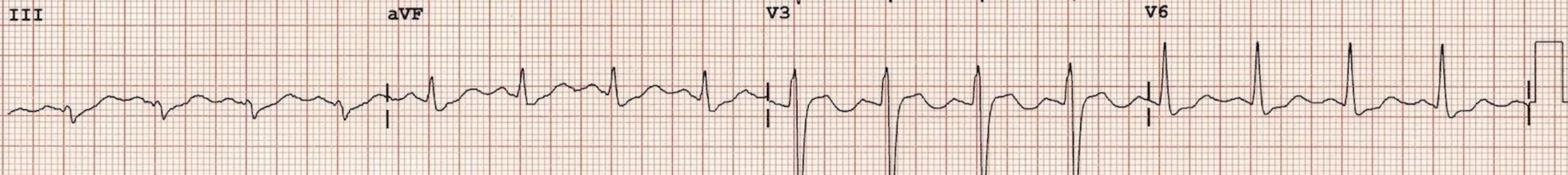
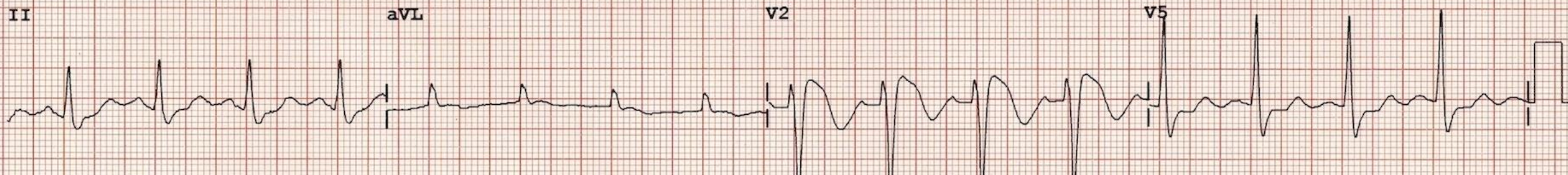
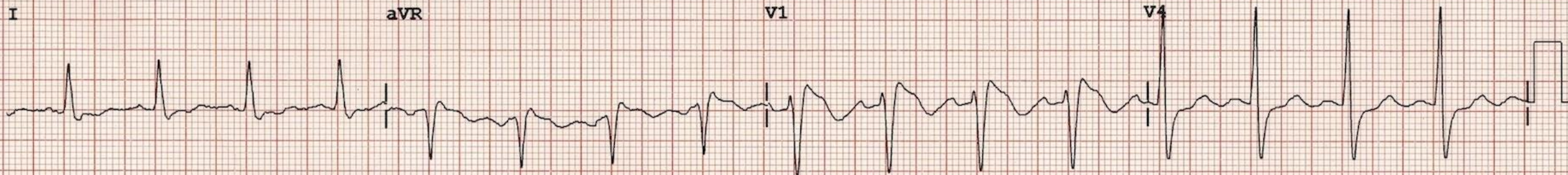
▶ Clopidogrel

▶ Heparin

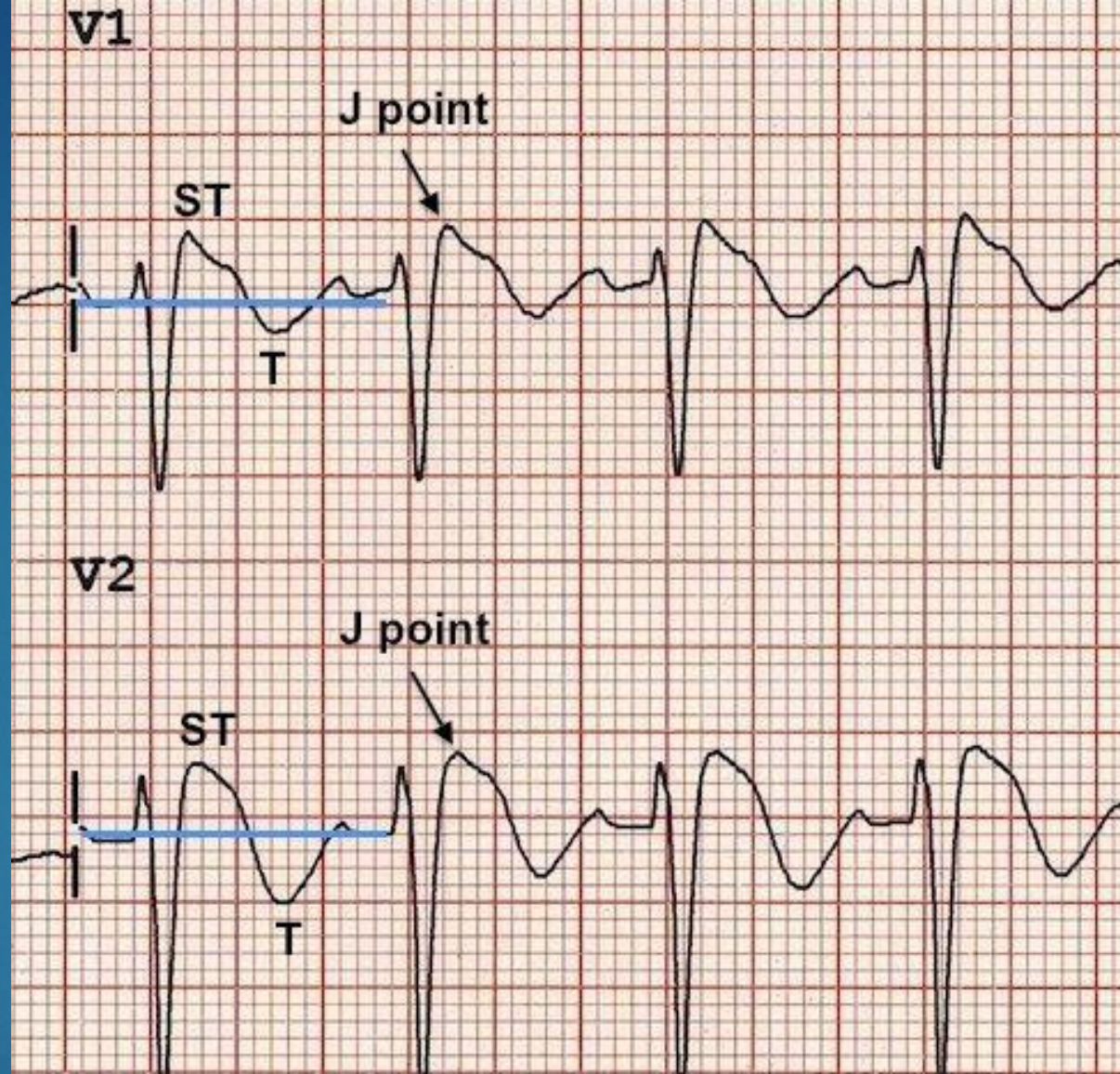
▶ Early Cath lab



40yo female with anxiety, palpitations and
pseudoseizures



Brugada Syndrome

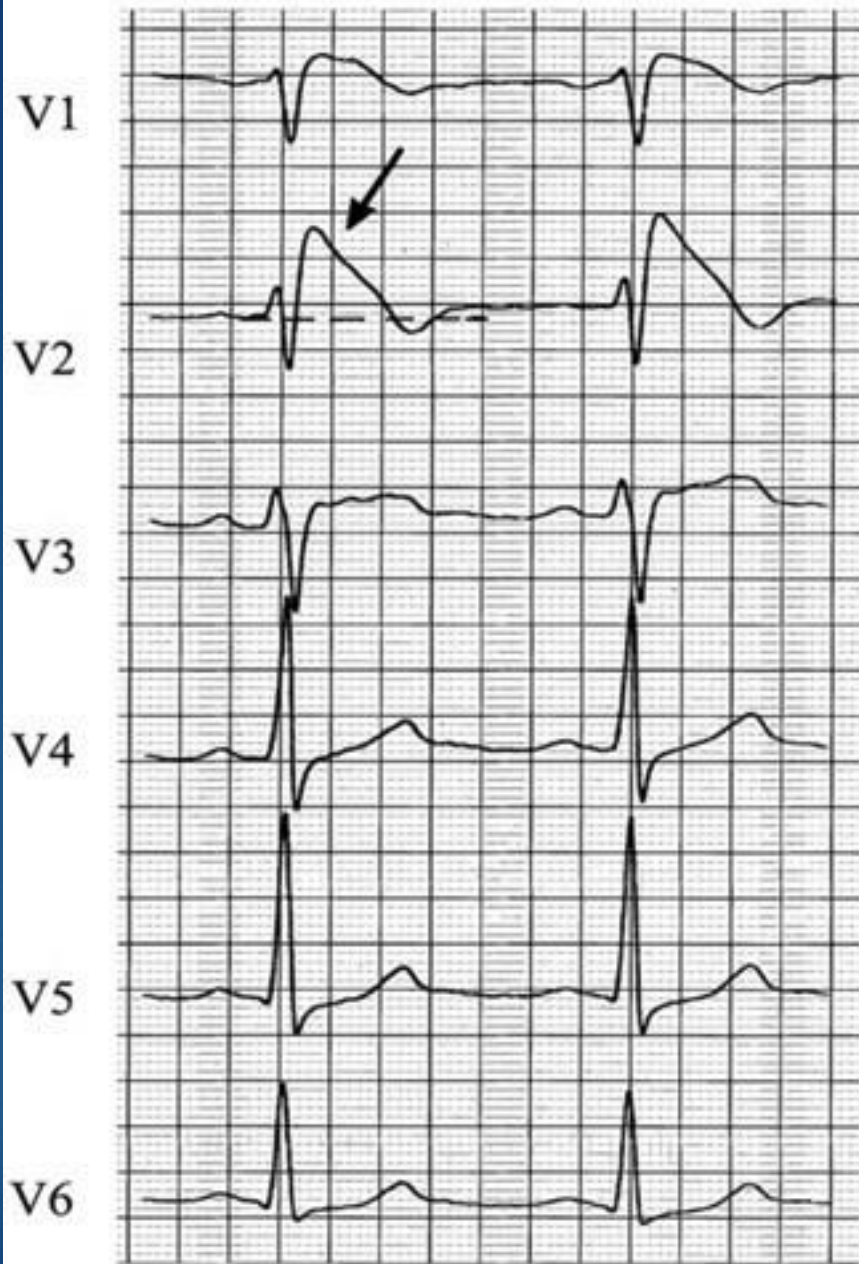


- RBBB-like pattern with secondary R' wave following the QRS complex.
- ST elevation at the J point $> 2\text{mm}$ with a “coved”
- T wave inversion

type 1

type 2

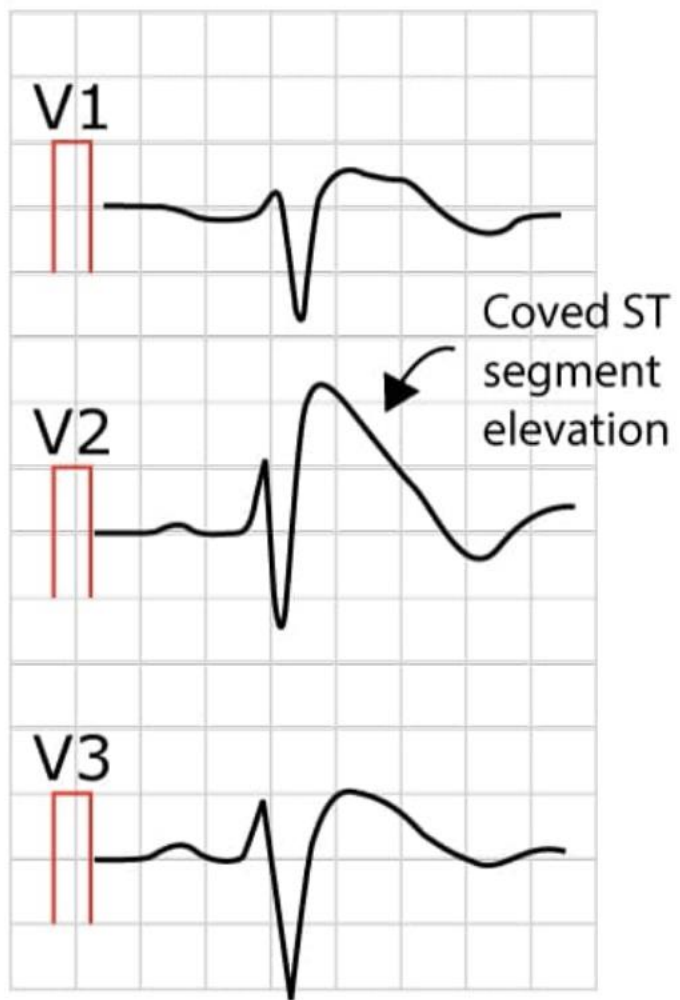
type 3



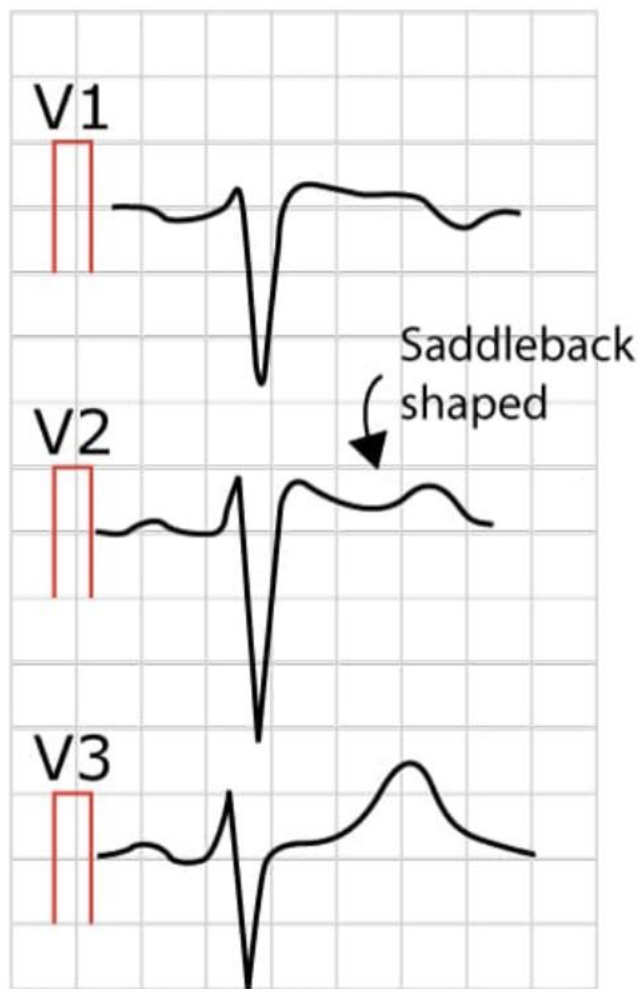
1 mV

500ms

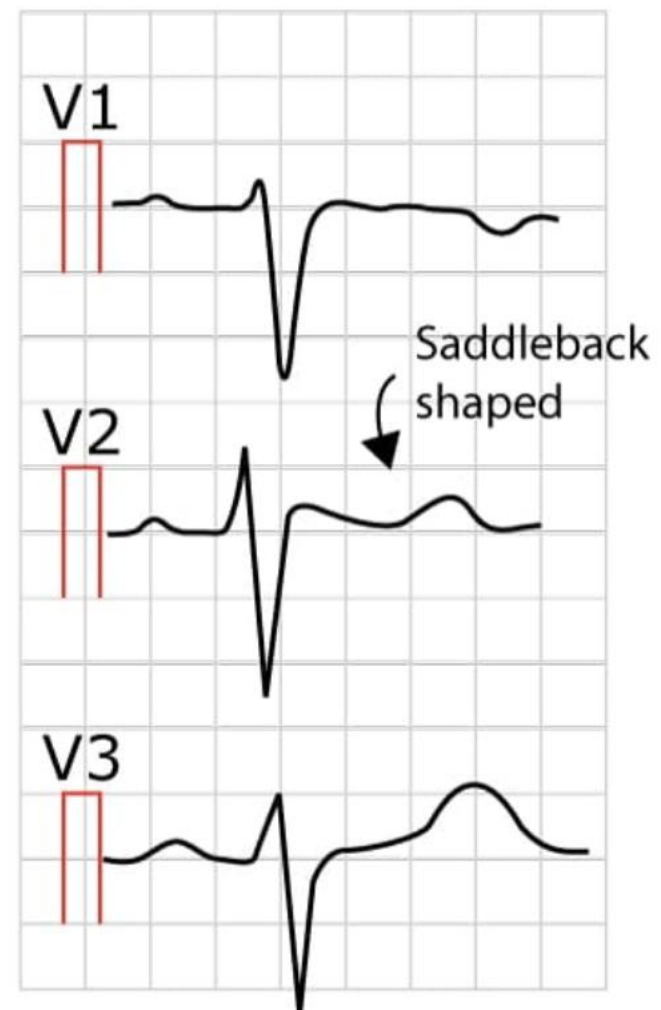
A Type 1 Brugada



B Type 2 Brugada



C Type 3 Brugada



Diagnosis

ECG plus one of the following:

- ▶ Documented VF or VT
- ▶ Family history of SCD at <45 years old
- ▶ Coved-type ECGs in family members
- ▶ Syncope
- ▶ Nocturnal agonal respiration

Only proven therapy is ICD

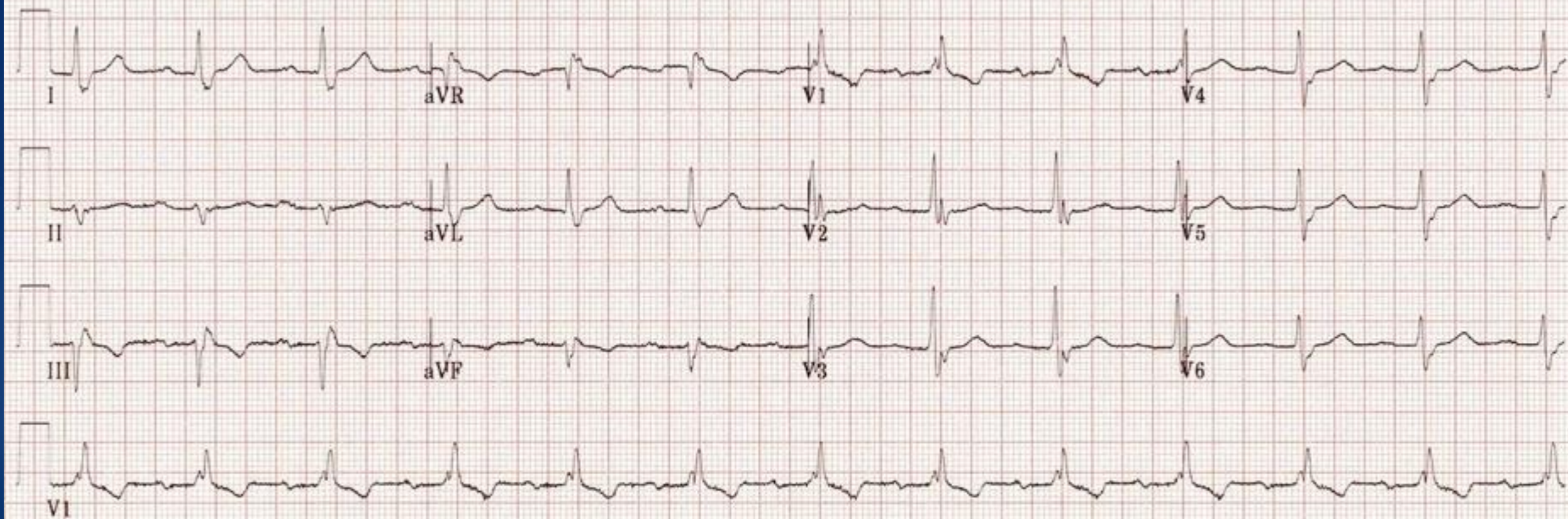
Take Home points

- ▶ Consider Brugada syndrome in any patient presenting after syncope
- ▶ ECG: (L)RBBB + STE in V1 - V2
 - ▶ Coved STE is most concerning
- ▶ Discuss/ refer to electrophysiologist

50yo male with syncope

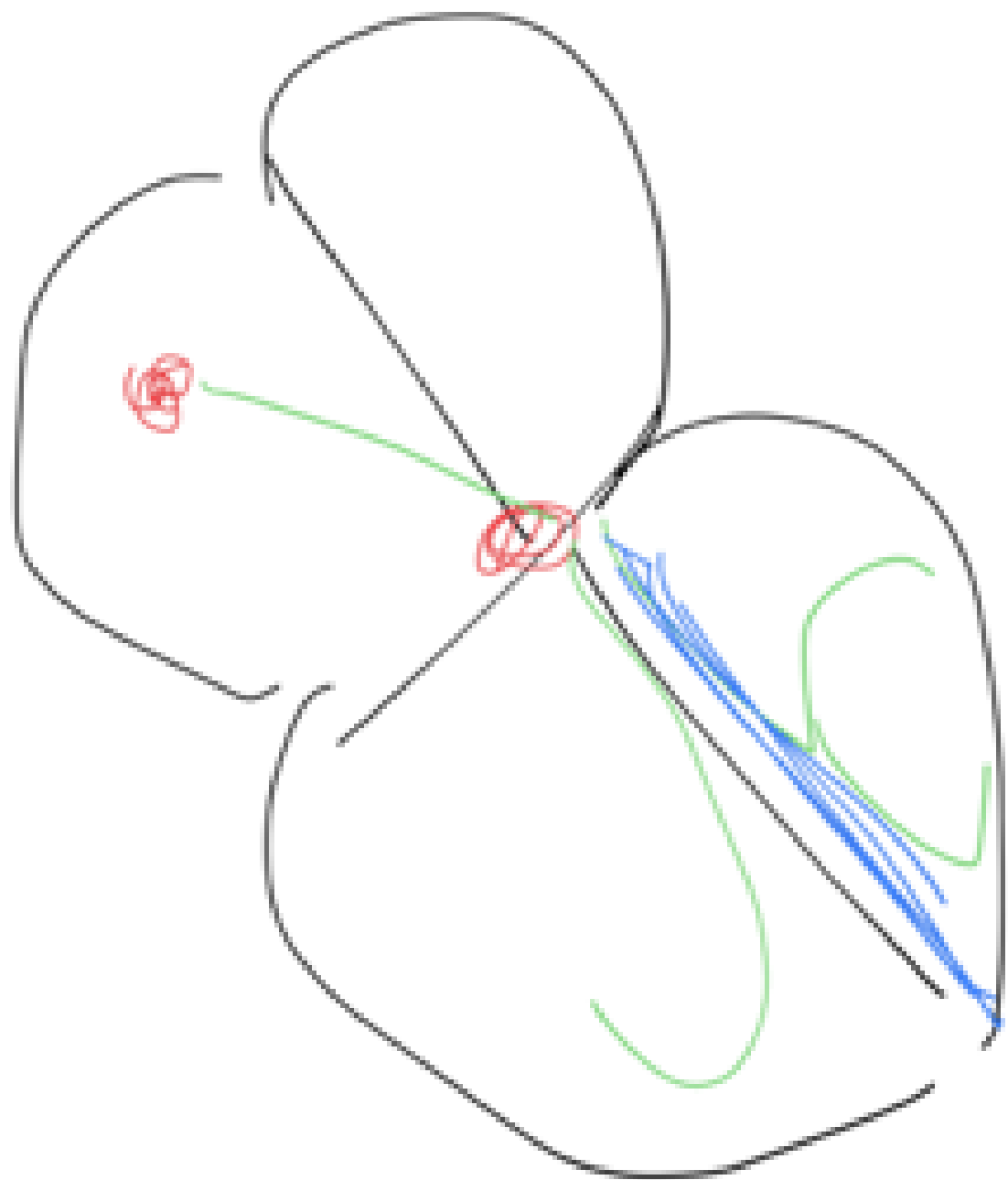
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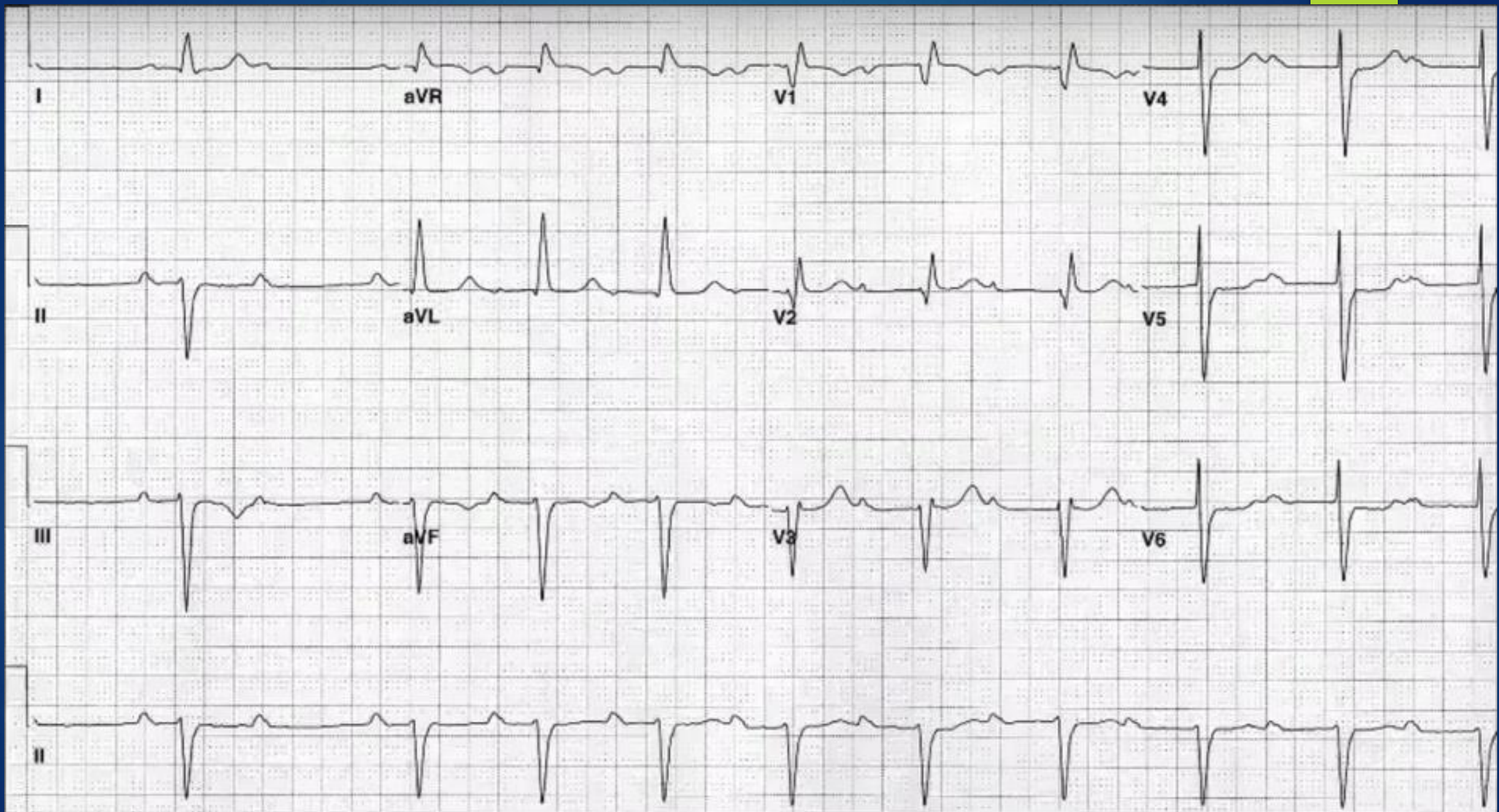


Trifascicular block

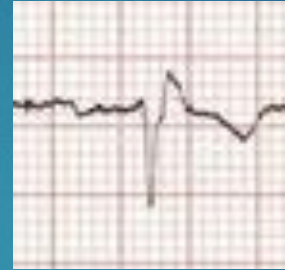
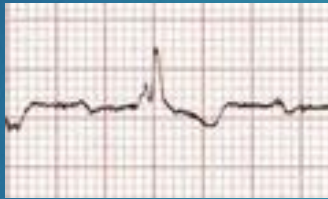
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- ▶ But AVN is not a fascicle - why is it a trifascicular block?




Trick ECG

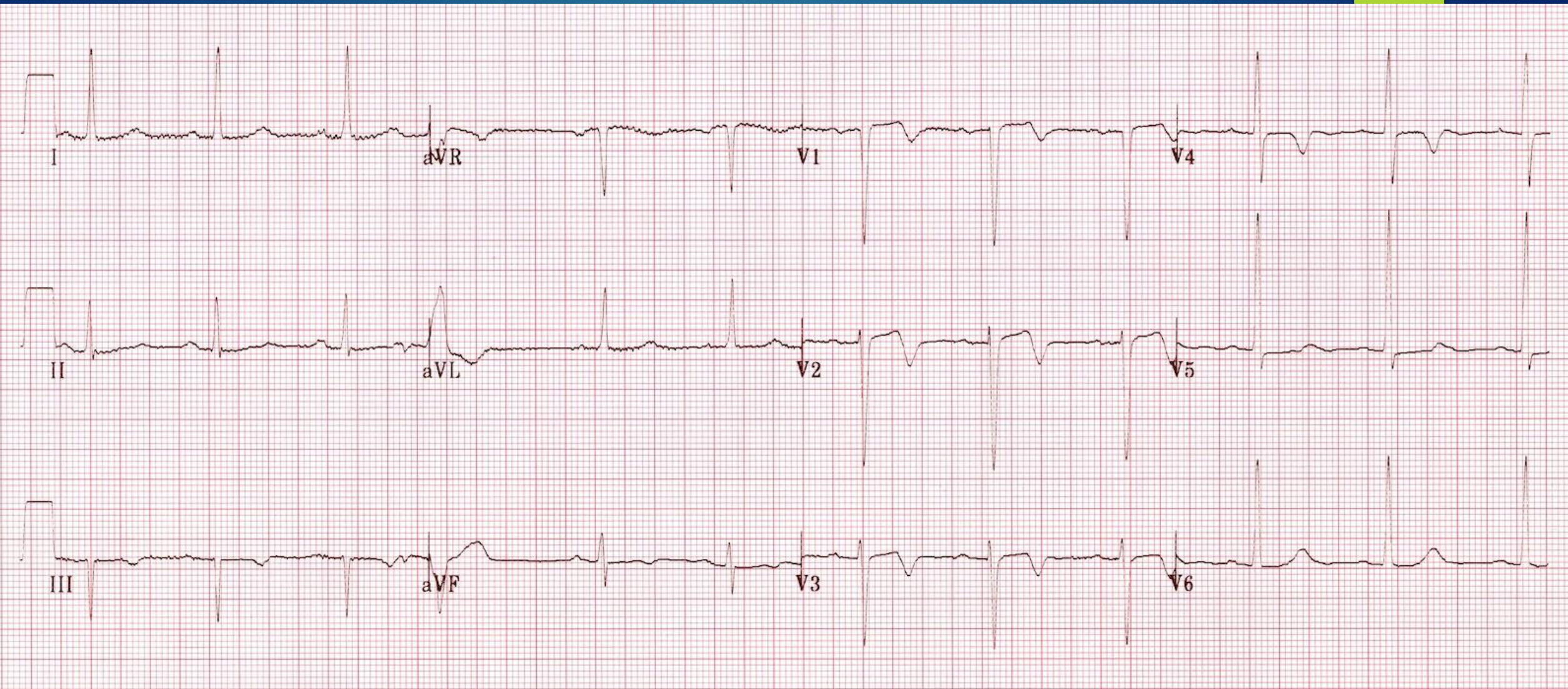


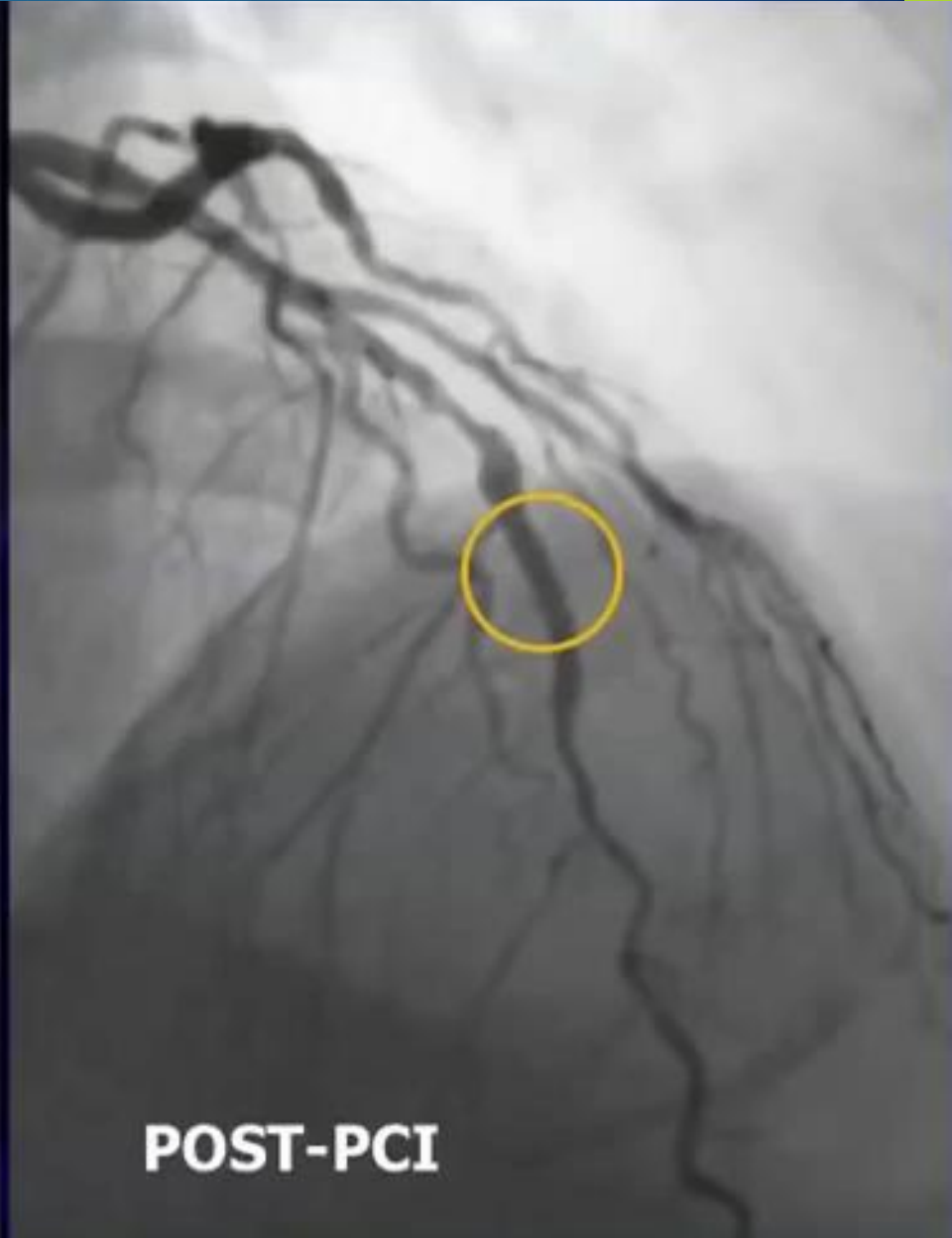
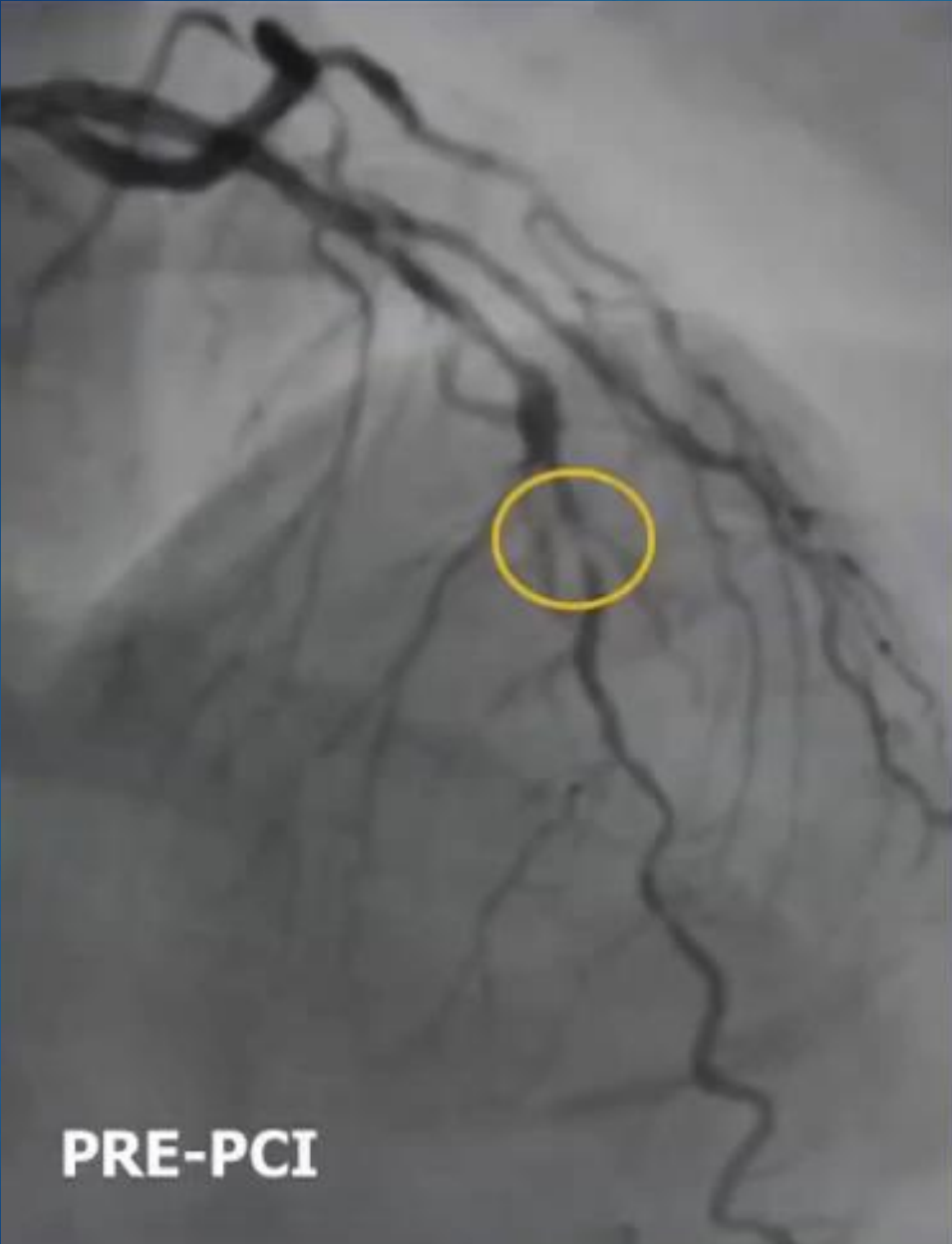
Take home points




- ▶ RBBB + LAFB + I^o AV Block = TFB
- ▶ 50% of them will need a PPM in future
- ▶ More commonly prevalent than previously thought

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- ▶ 54yo male
 - ▶ History of chest pain for 20mins – resolved with antacids
 - ▶ Now pain free and in your clinic
 - ▶ GORD right?





Wellens' Syndrome

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- ▶ Pattern of deeply inverted or biphasic T waves in V2-3
 - ▶ Highly specific for a critical stenosis of LAD
 - ▶ Patients may be pain free at the time of ECG
 - ▶ Have normal cardiac enzymes
 - ▶ *Extremely high risk for extensive anterior wall MI within the next few days*

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- ▶ Due to the critical LAD stenosis, these patients:
 - ▶ require invasive therapy,
 - ▶ do poorly with medical management

 - ▶ *May suffer MI or cardiac arrest if stress tested!*

Absolute contraindication

Diagnostic criteria

- ▶ Deeply-inverted or biphasic T waves in V2-3 (may extend to V1-6)
- ▶ Isoelectric or minimally-elevated ST segment (< 1mm)
- ▶ No precordial Q waves

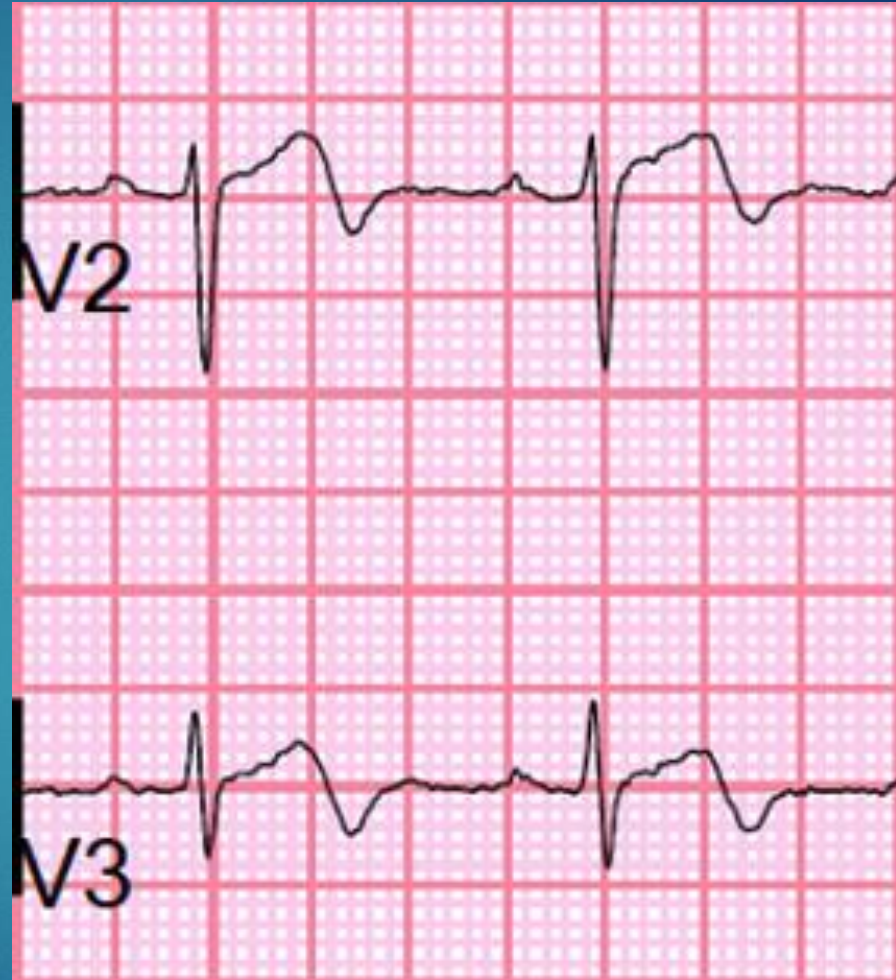
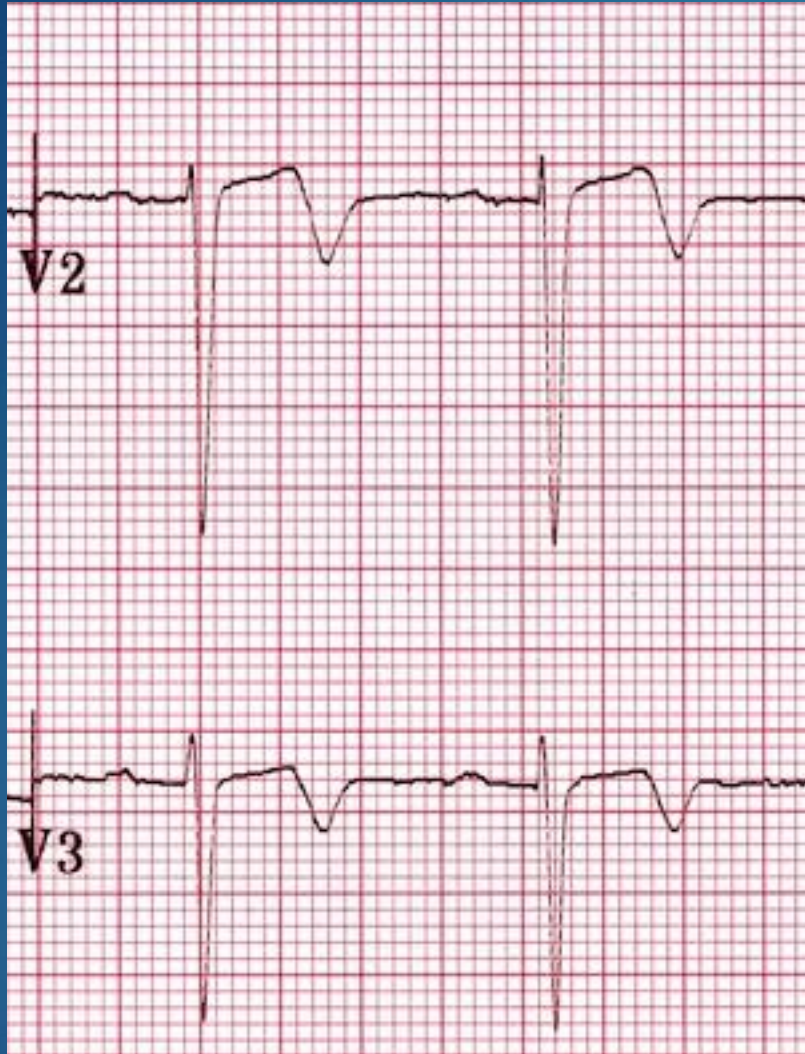
- ▶ Recent history of angina
- ▶ ECG pattern present in pain-free state

- ▶ Normal or slightly elevated serum cardiac marker

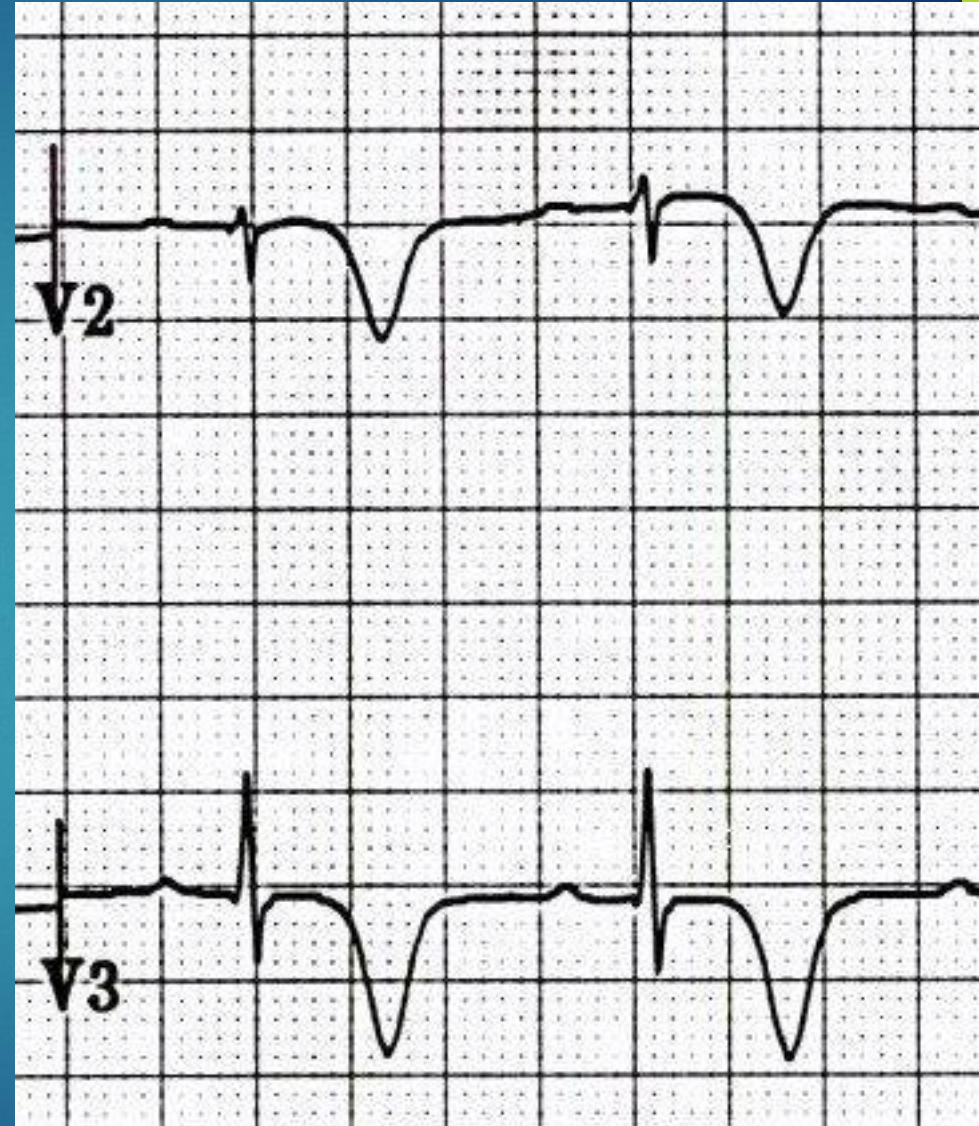
Two patterns of T-wave abnormality:

- ▶ Type A = Biphasic, with initial positivity & terminal negativity (25% of cases)
- ▶ Type B = Deeply and symmetrically inverted (75% of cases)

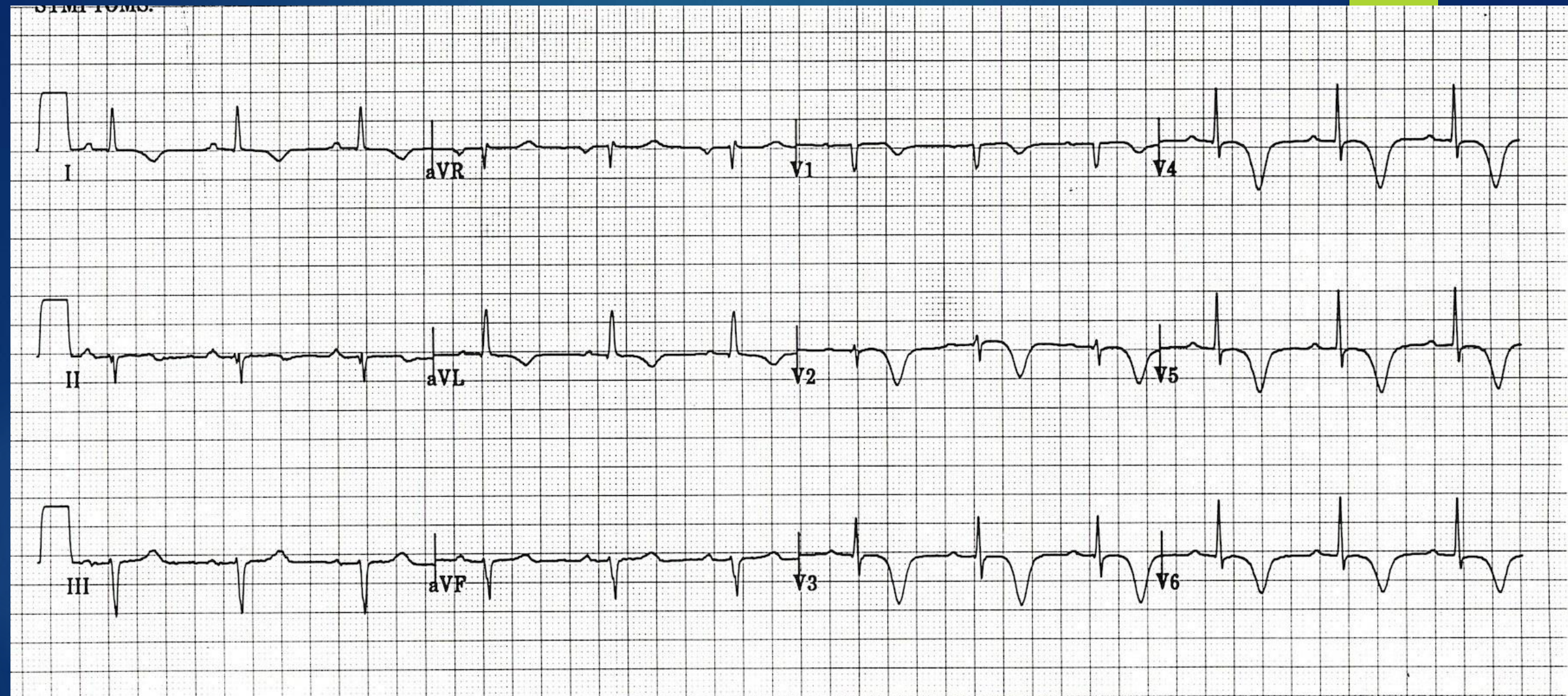
Computer often calls it non-specific T-wave abnormality



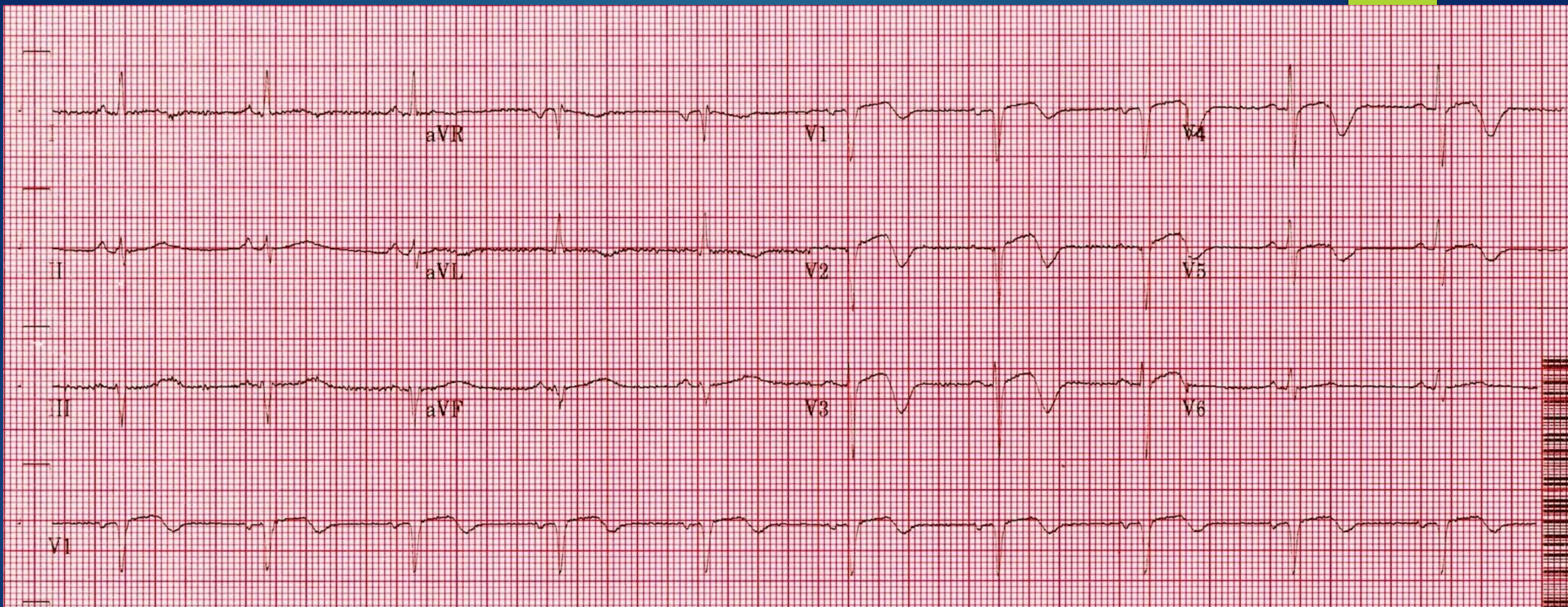
Biphasic T Waves (Type A)



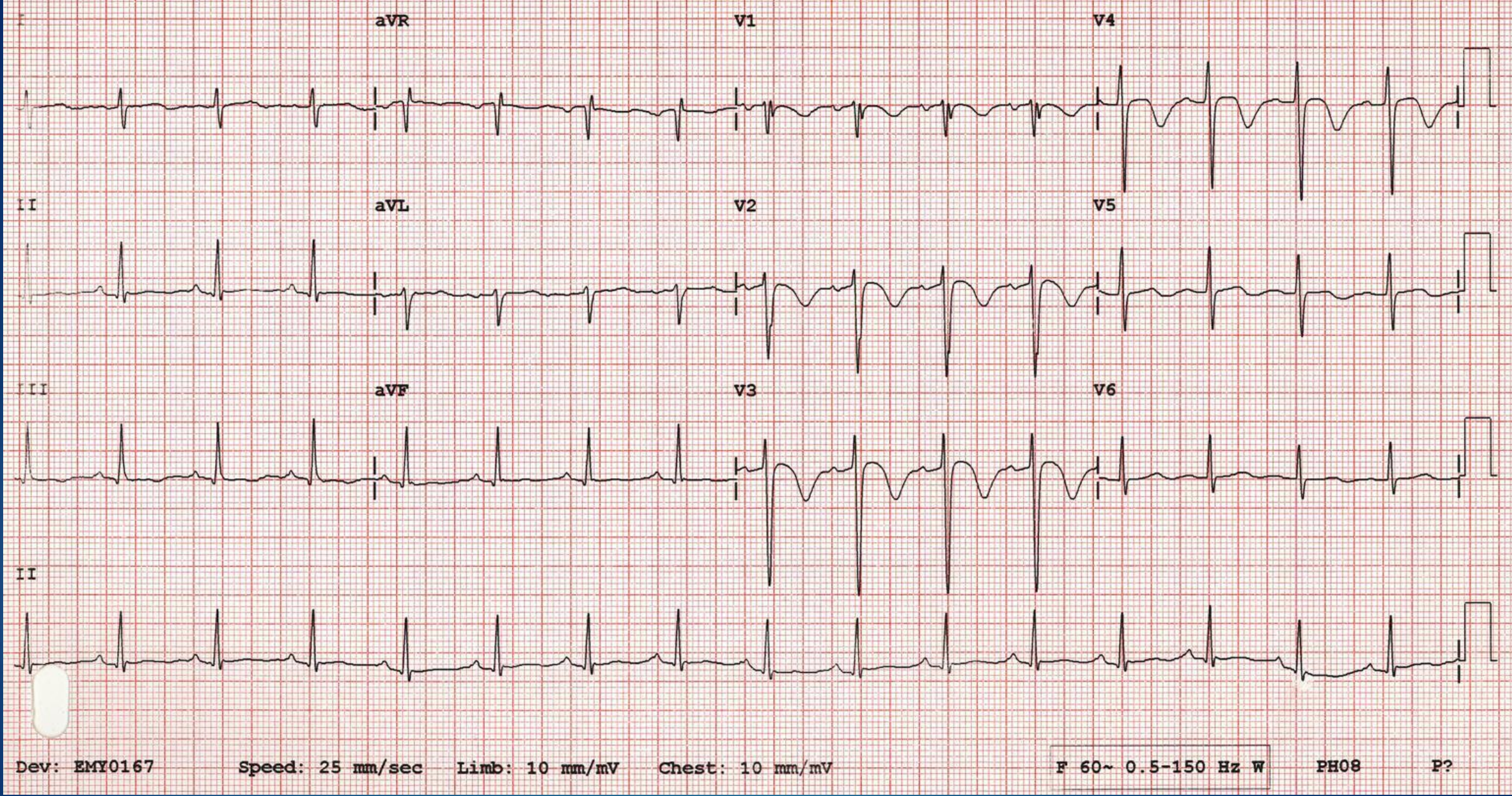
Deeply Inverted T Waves (Type B)



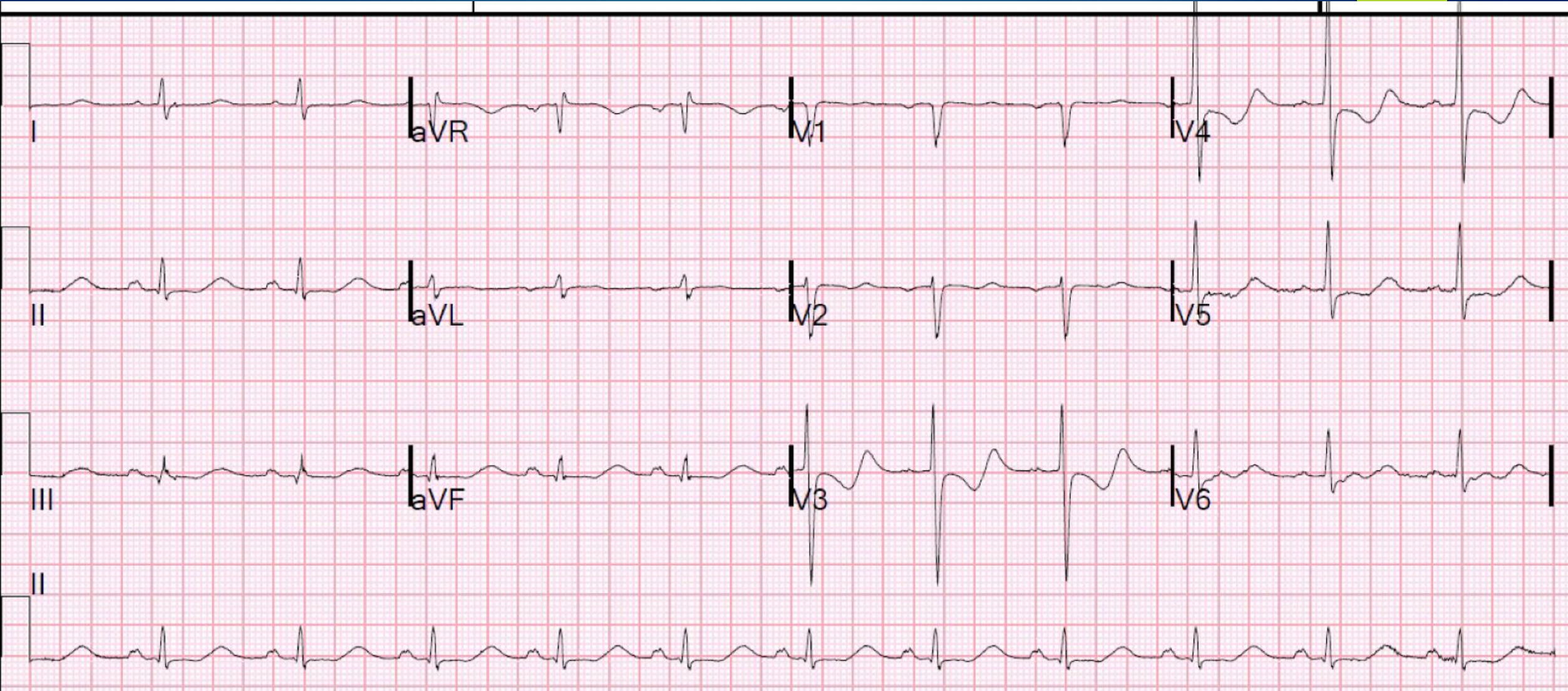
There are deep, symmetrical T wave inversions throughout the anterolateral leads (V1-6, I, aVL)



- The patient had experienced angina immediately prior to arrival in hospital and was pain free at the time the ECG was taken



Is this Wellens?



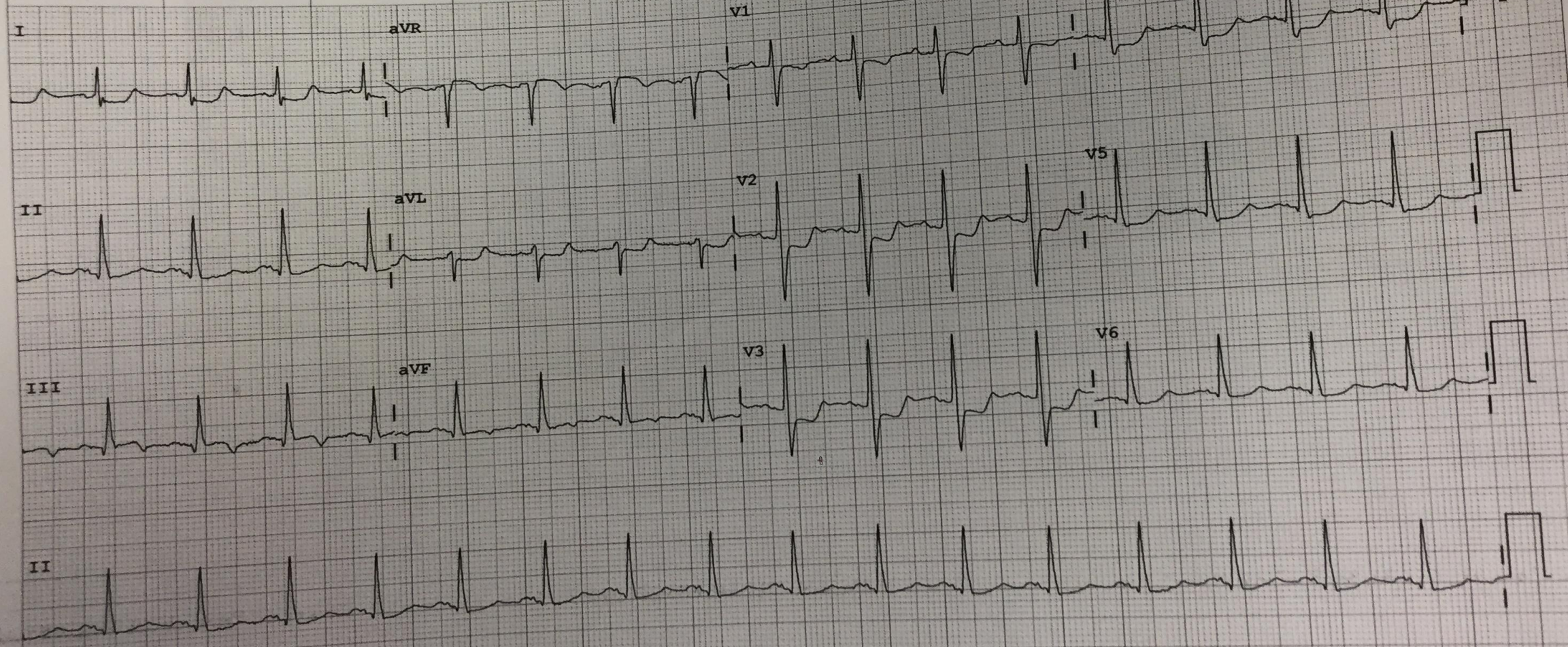
Is this Wellens?

Take home Points

- ▶ - Get serial ECGs
- ▶ - Don't rely on your computer interpretations
- ▶ - Beware Wellens' waves!
- ▶ - No exercise stress testing for Wellens'!

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GP: Dr WICKRAMASINGHE Buddhimith, Healthworks - Kennington

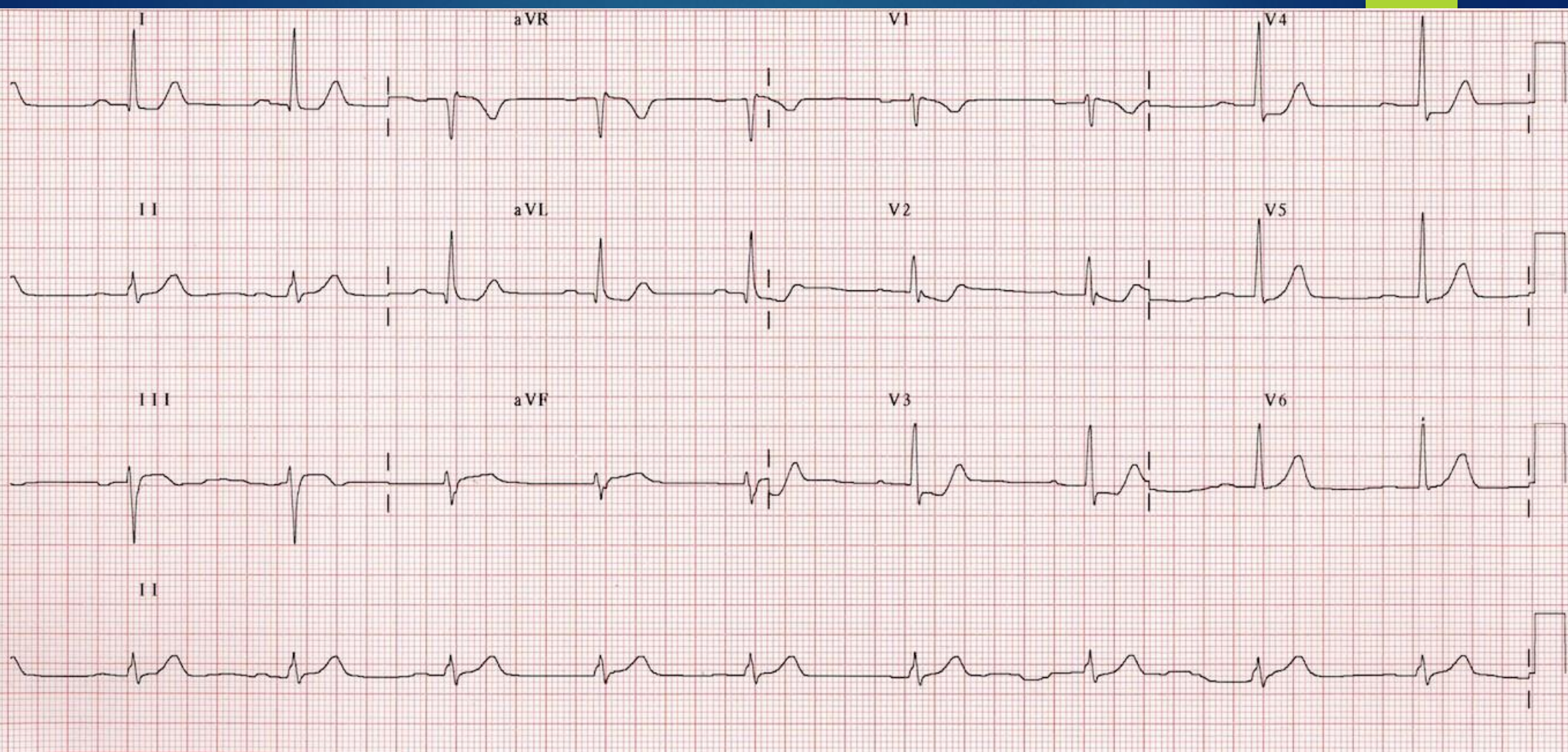
12 Lead ECG Report (Mason-Likar)



Speed: 10 mm/mV

50 ~ 0.15-100 Hz

PHILIPS



52yo male with central chest pain

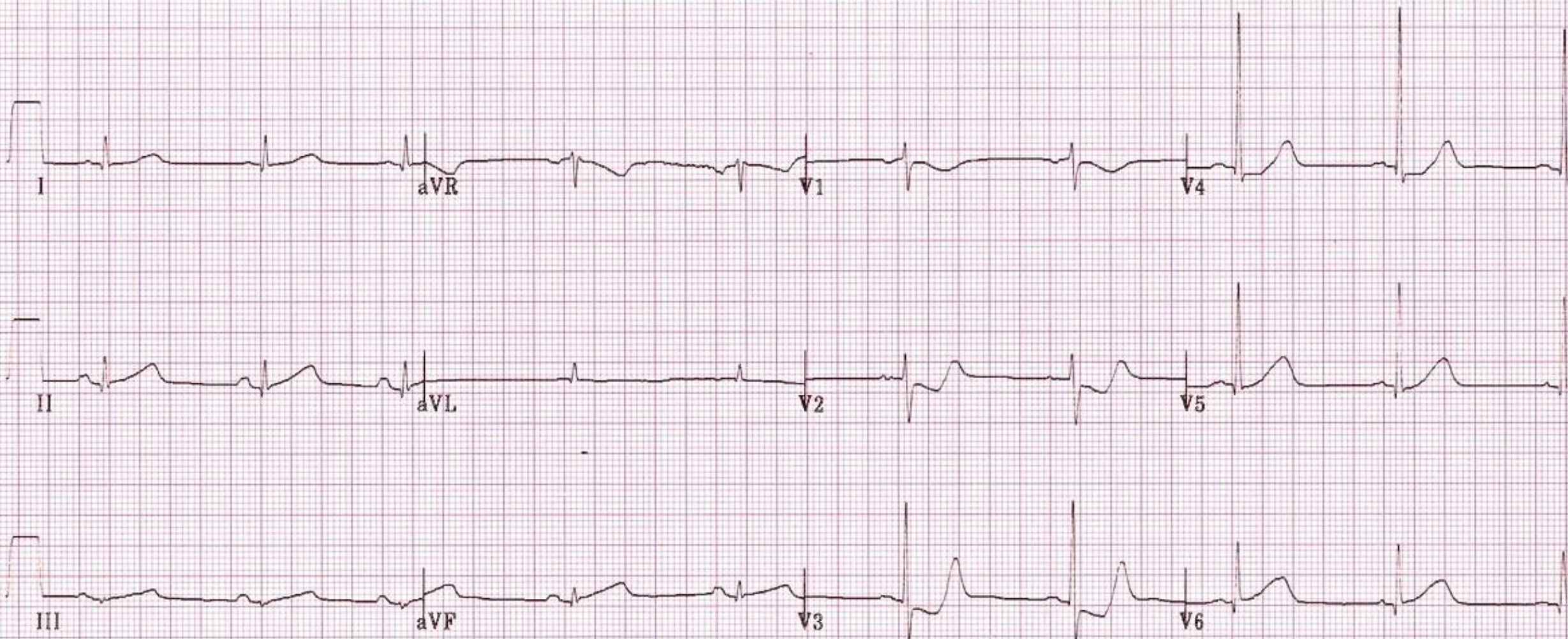
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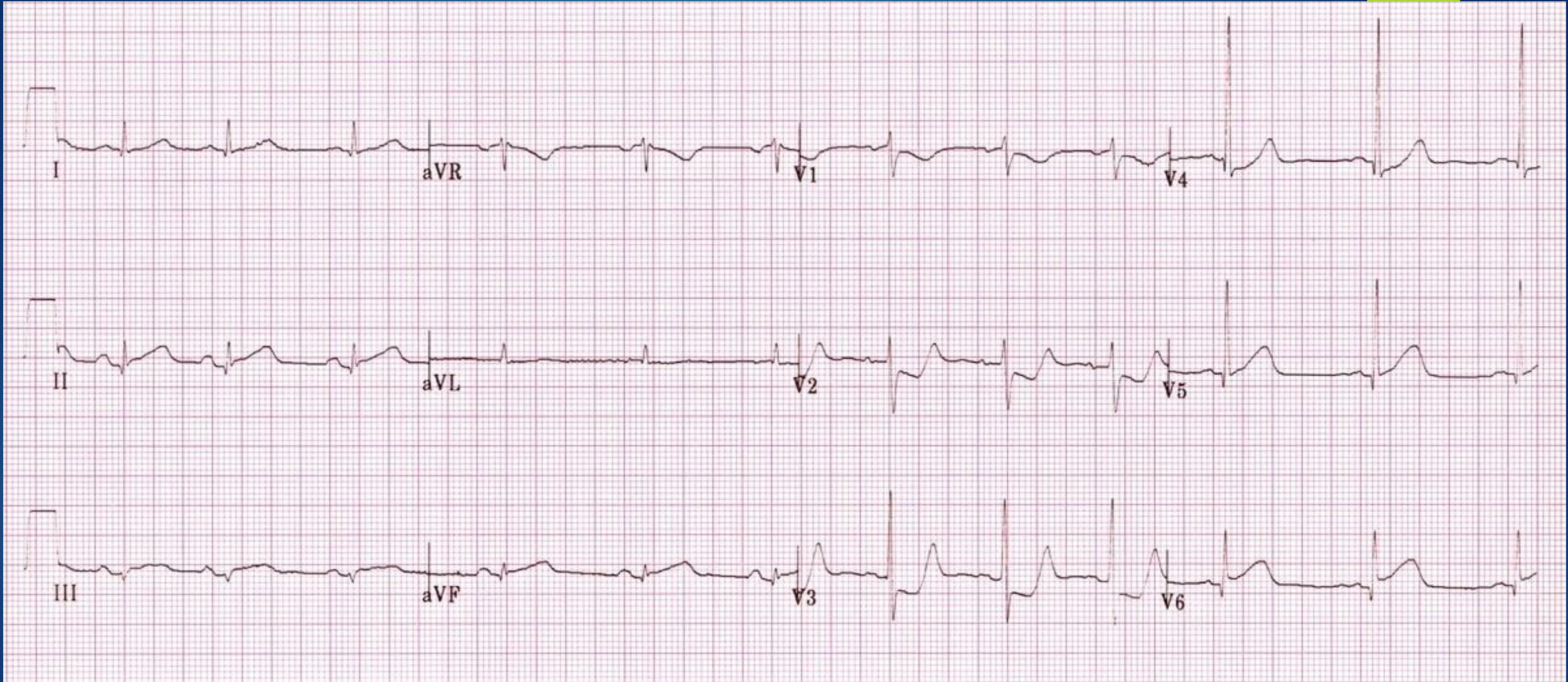
Posterior leads

Posterior MI

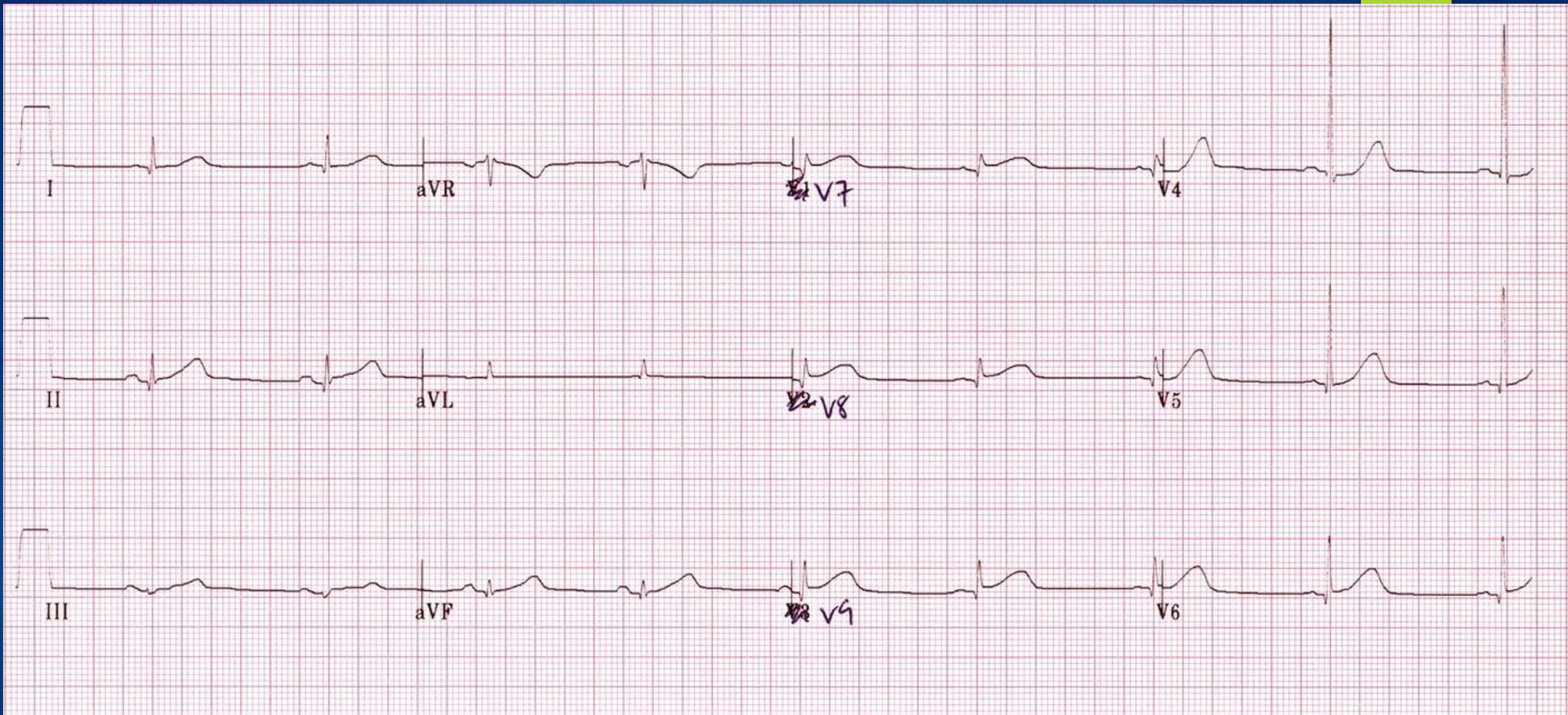


► Findings can be very, very subtle

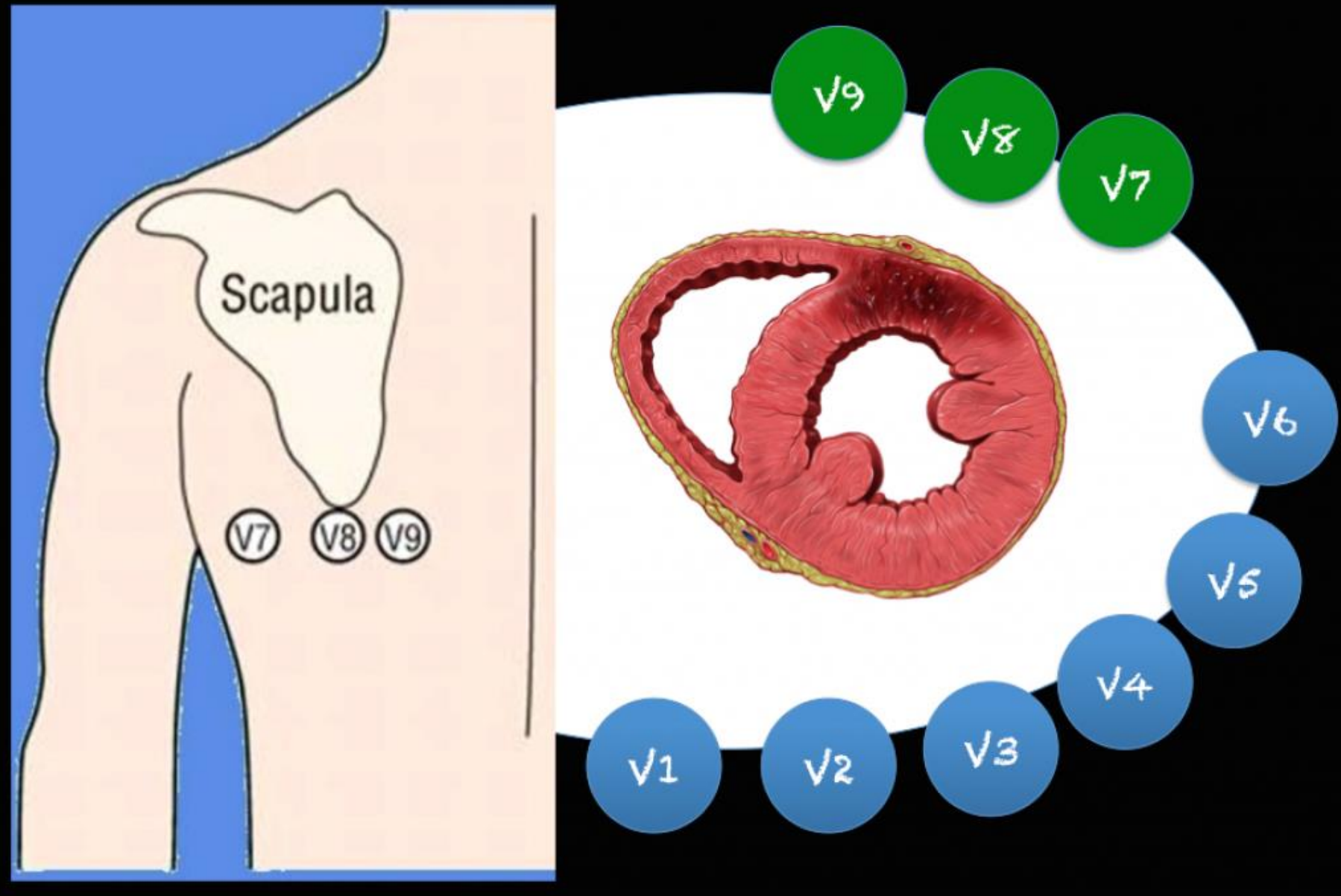
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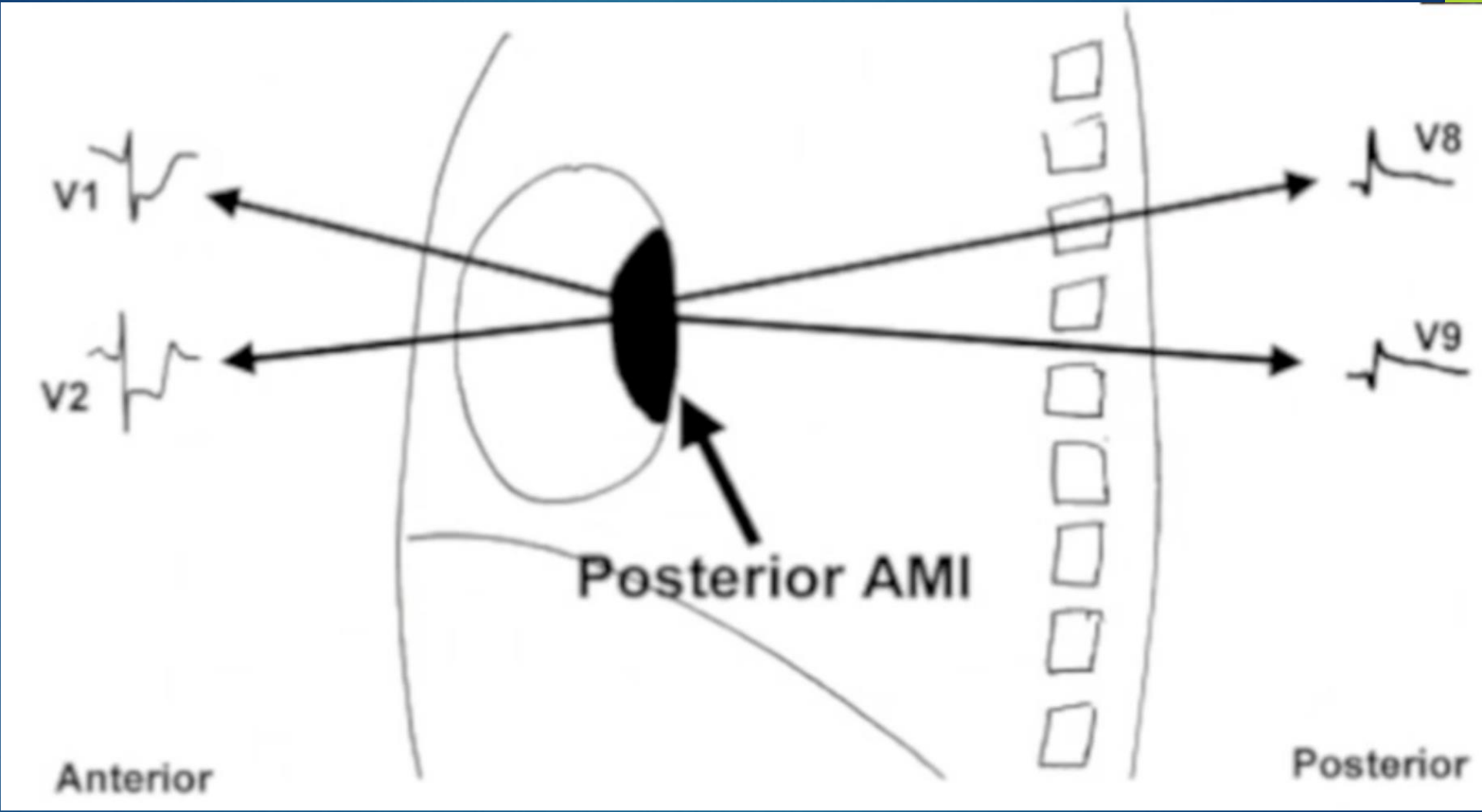
- There is now some ST elevation developing in V6.
- With an eye of faith there is perhaps also some early STE in the inf leads (lead III looks particularly abnormal)



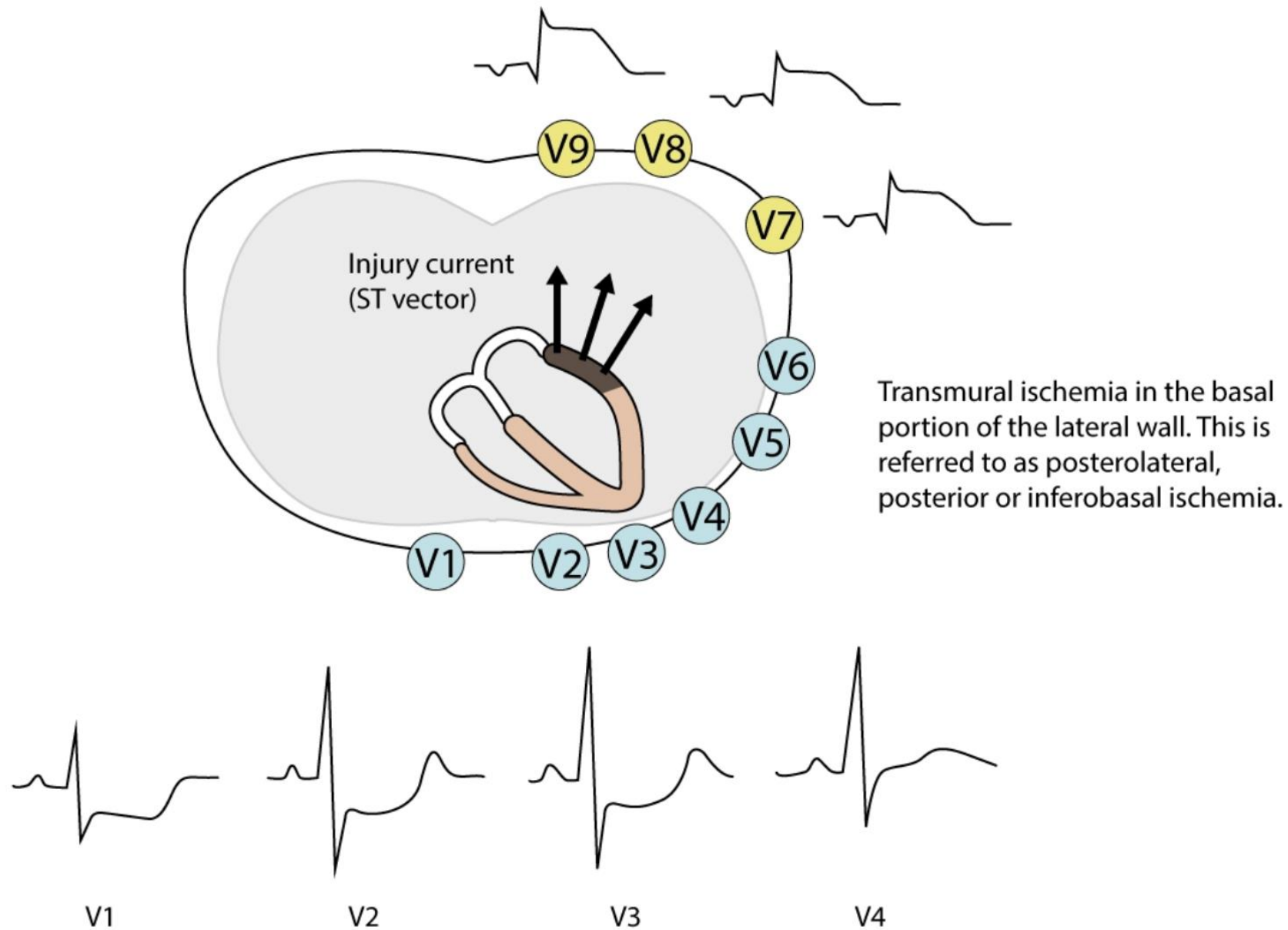
Posterior infarction is confirmed by the presence of STE $>0.5\text{mm}$ in leads V7-9



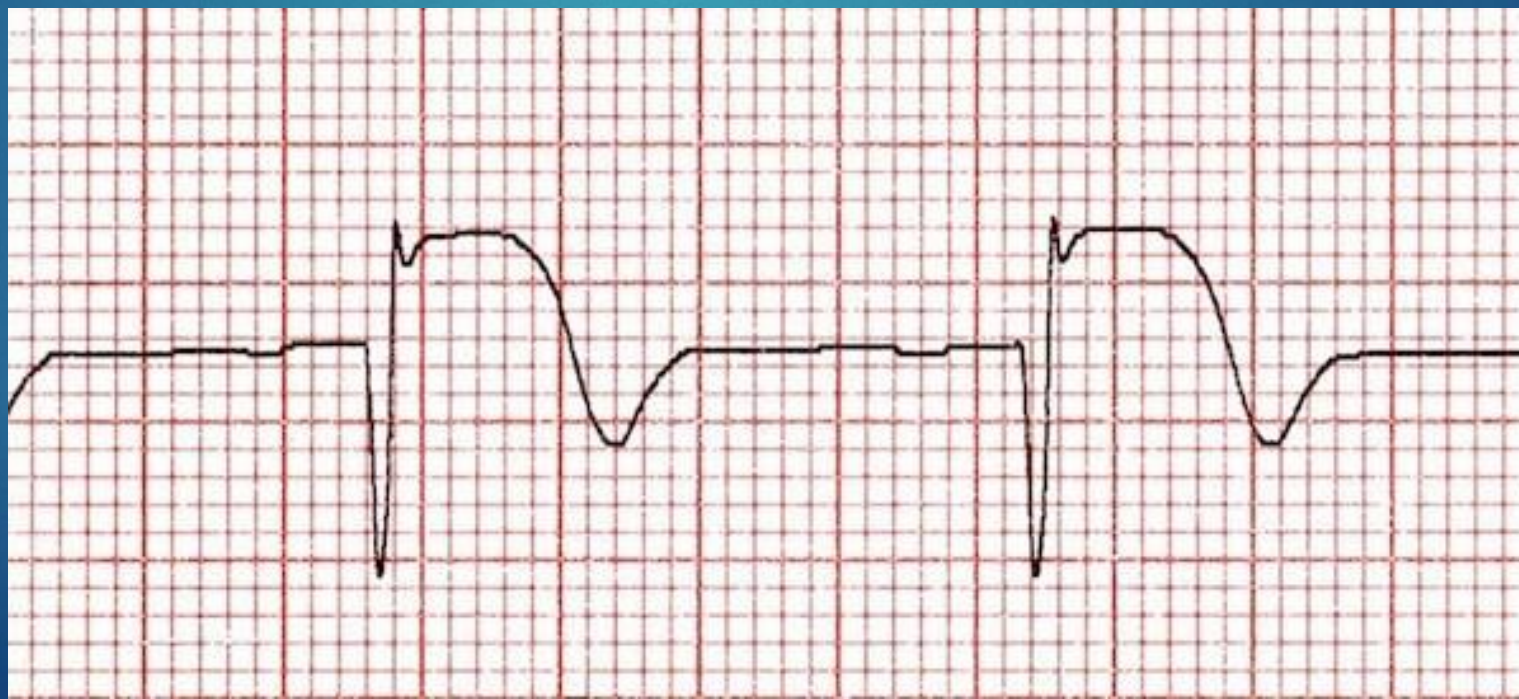
- V7 – Left posterior axillary line, in the same horizontal plane as V6.
- V8 – Tip of the left scapula, in the same horizontal plane as V6.
- V9 – Left paraspinal region, in the same horizontal plane as V6.




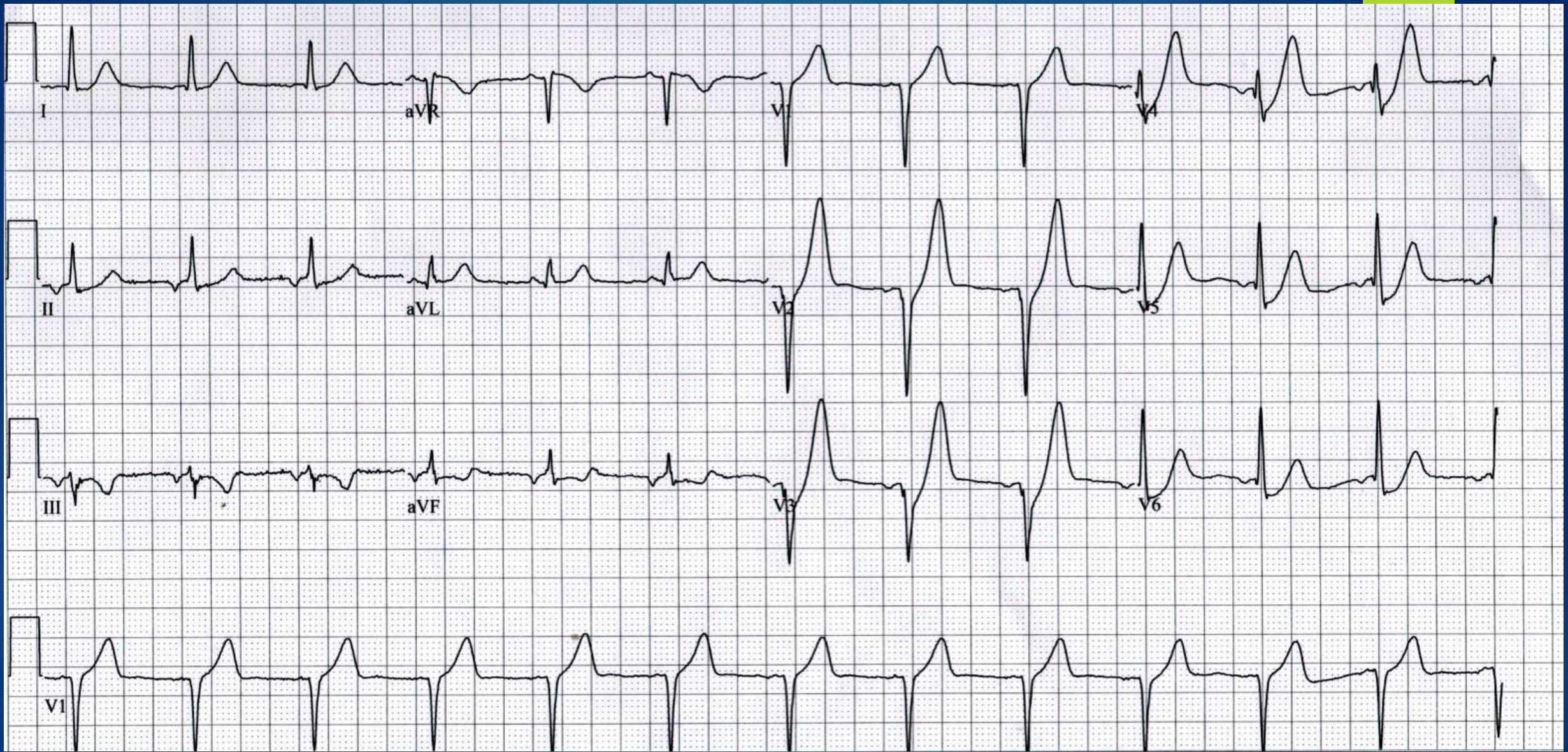
Posterolateral (posterior, inferobasal) transmural ischemia



Reciprocal ST-segment depressions



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- ▶ Isolated posterior infarction is an indication for emergent coronary reperfusion.
 - ▶ However, the lack of obvious STE in this condition means that the diagnosis is often missed



Contrast with this ECG

Lead (V3)

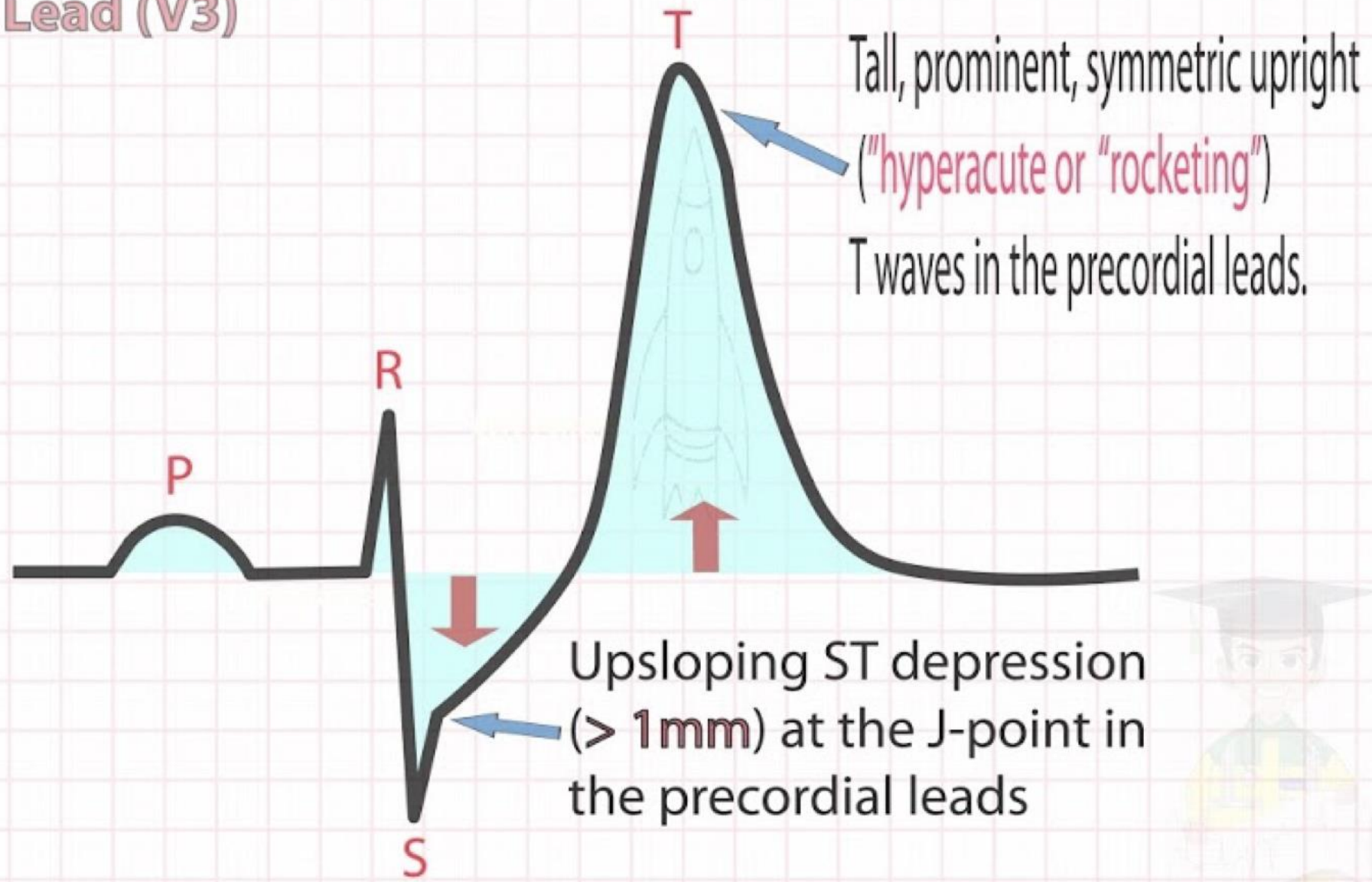


Figure 1 - Example of De-Winter T waves



- ▶ De Winter ECG pattern is an Anterior STEMI equivalent
- ▶ Presents without obvious ST segment elevation
- ▶ Key diagnostic features include ST depression and prominent T waves in the precordial leads

Rate 74
PR 166
QRSd 110
QT 427
QTc 474

- Sinus rhythm
- Repol abnrm, severe global ischemia (LM/MVD)
- Tall T, consider metabolic/ischemic abnrm
- >>> Acute Ischemia <<<

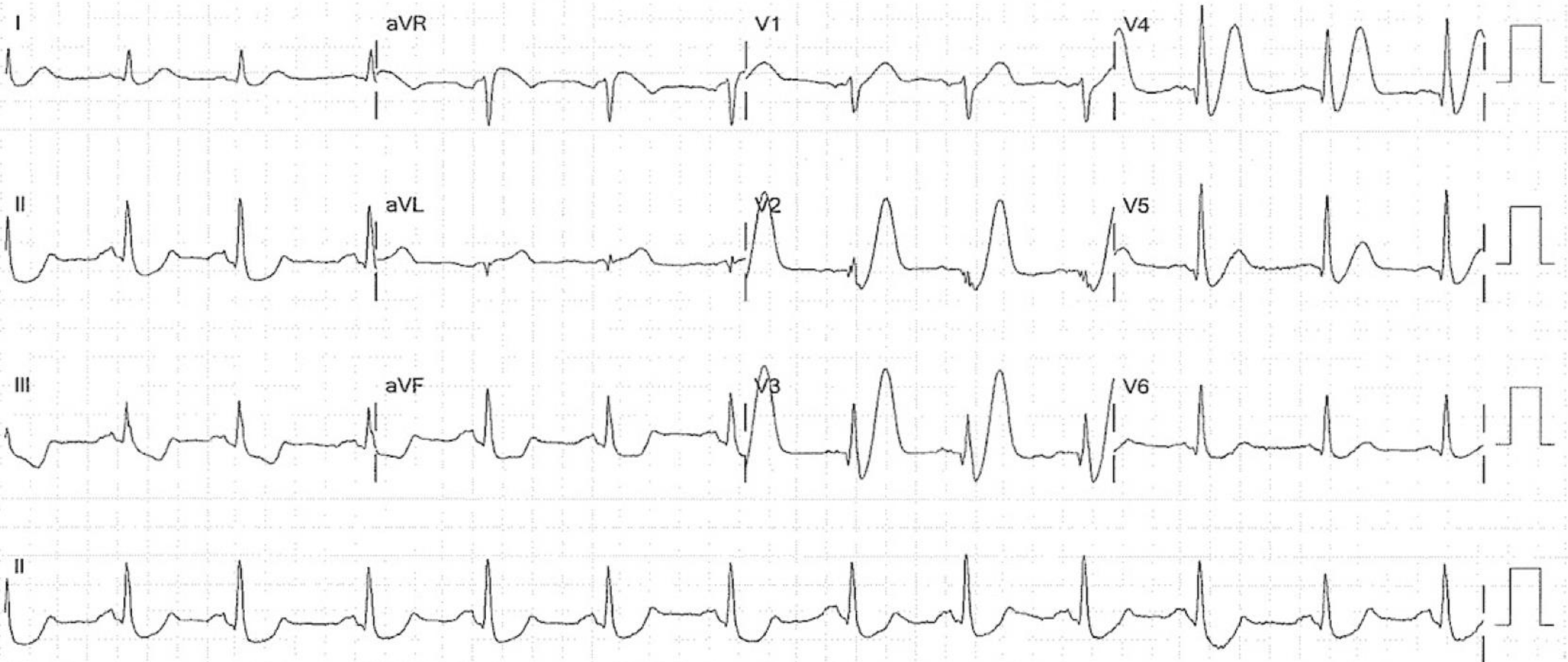
normal P axis, V-rate 50-99
STe aVR, STd & Tneg, ant/lat/inf
T >1.2mV

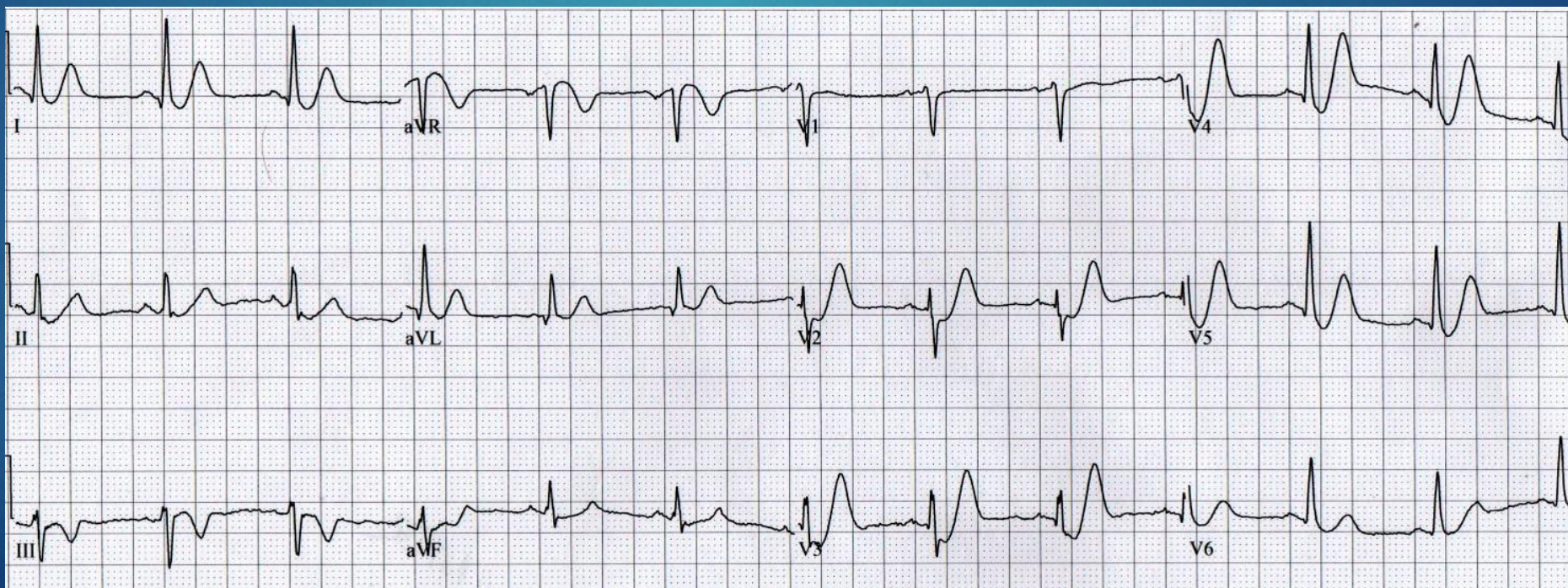
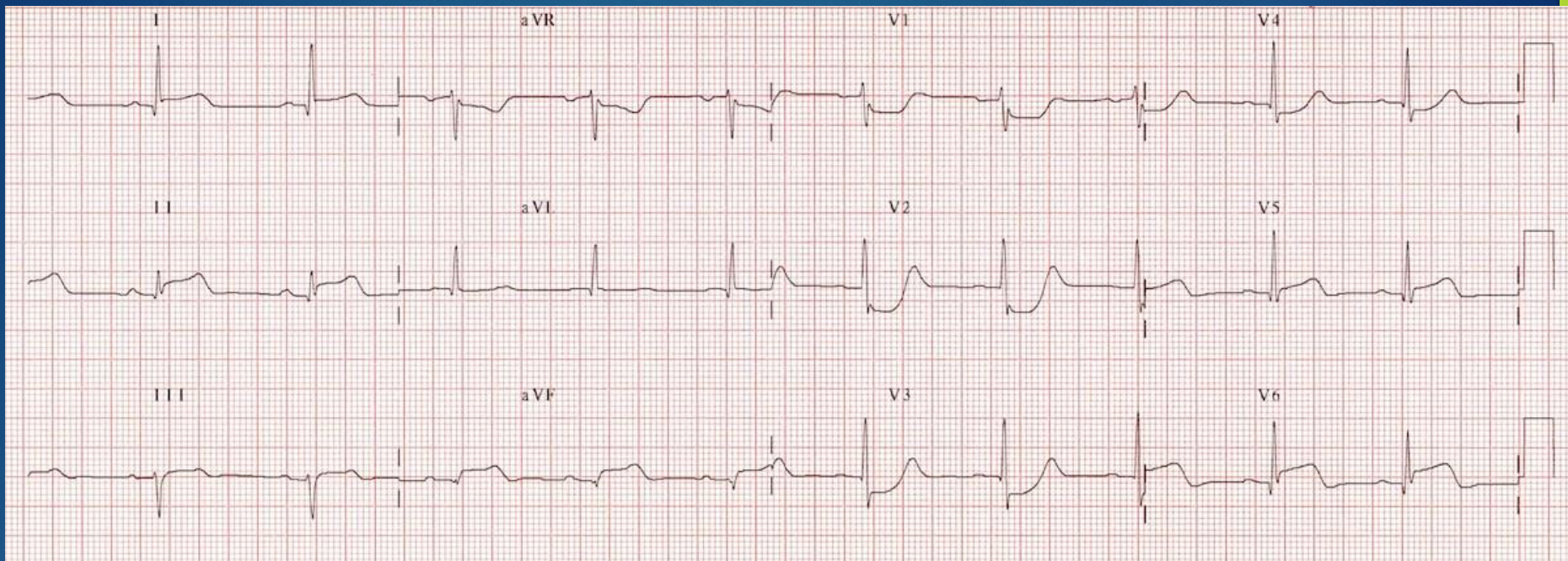
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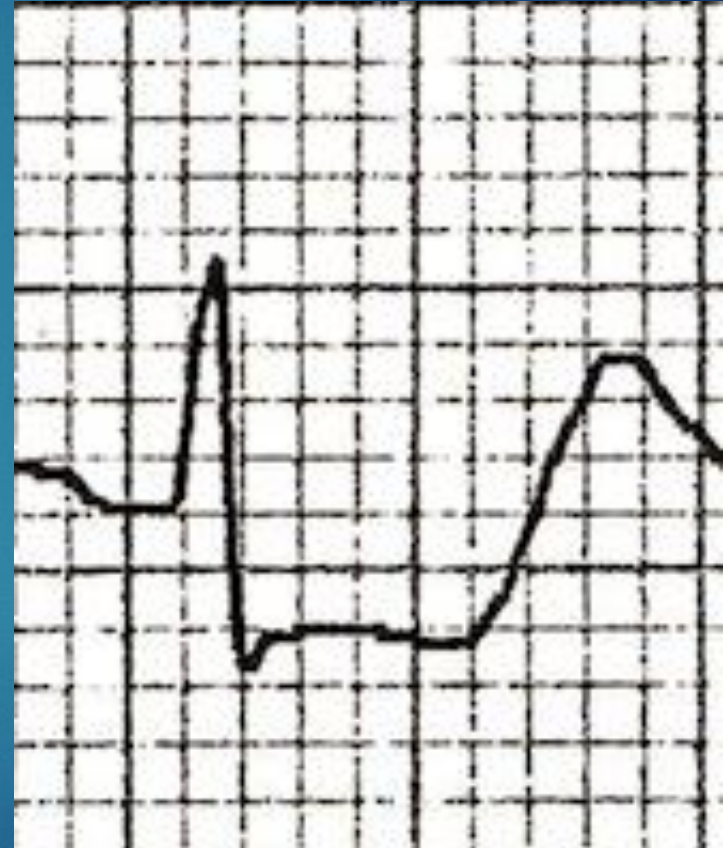
- ABNORMAL ECG -

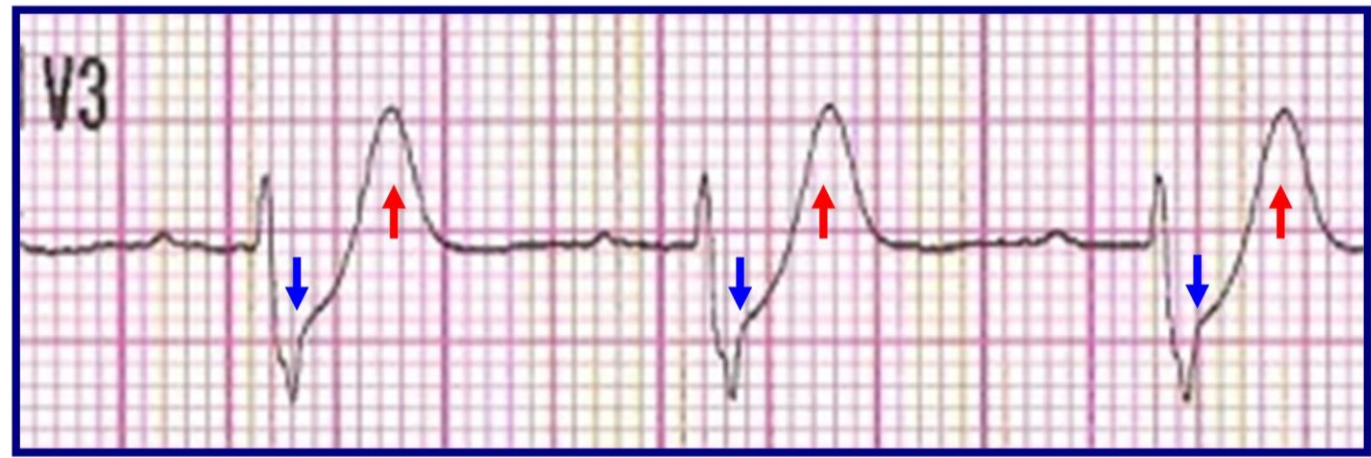
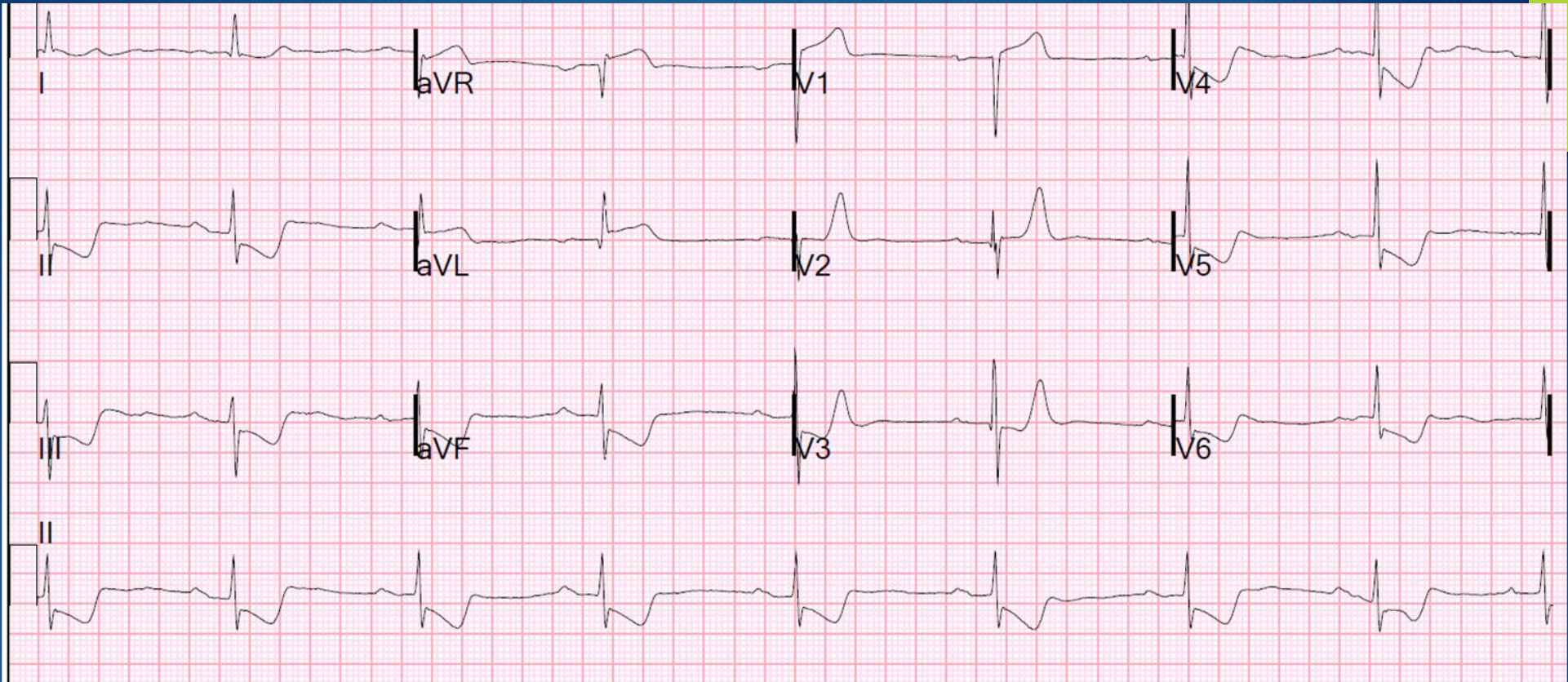
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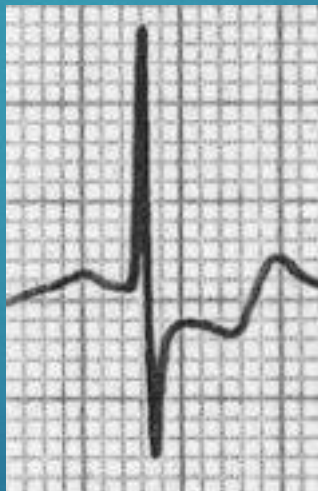
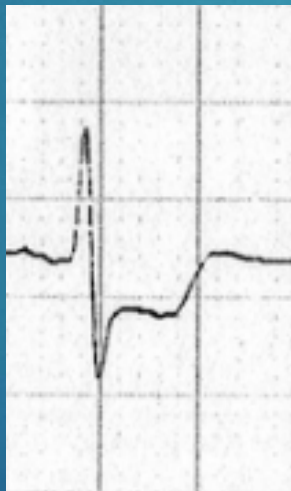
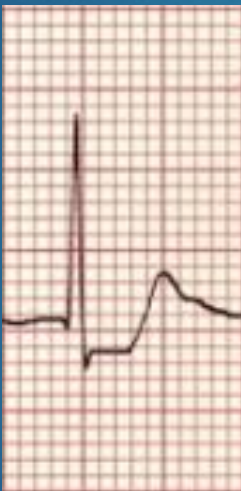
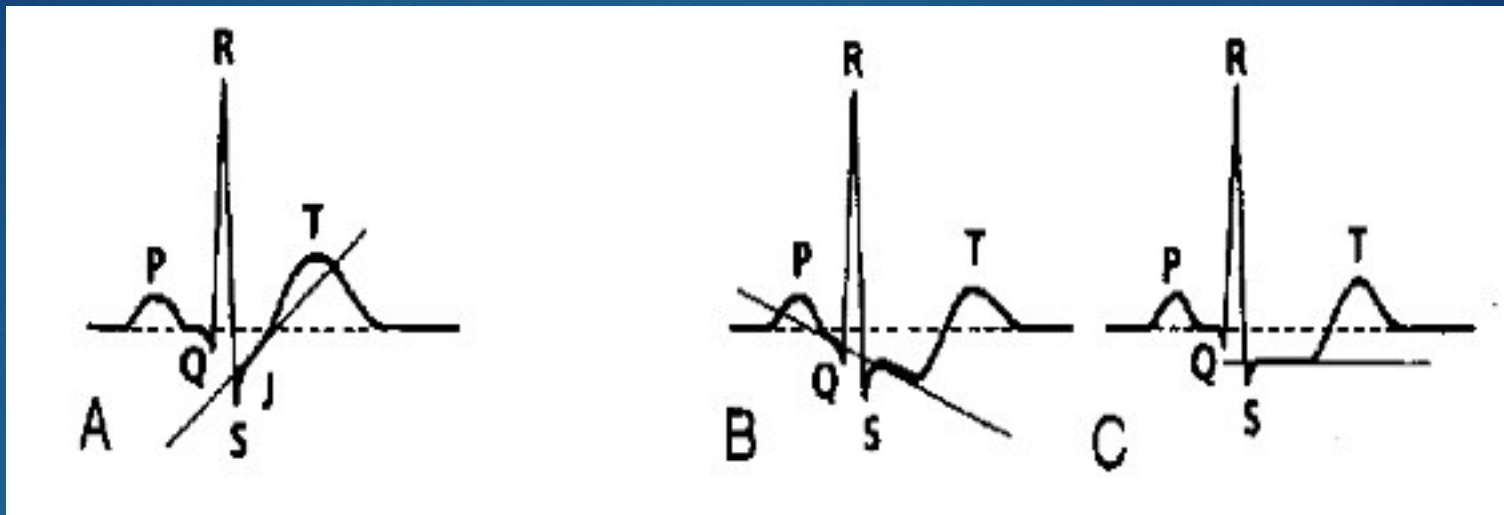




ST segment morphology in post MI







Posterior MI

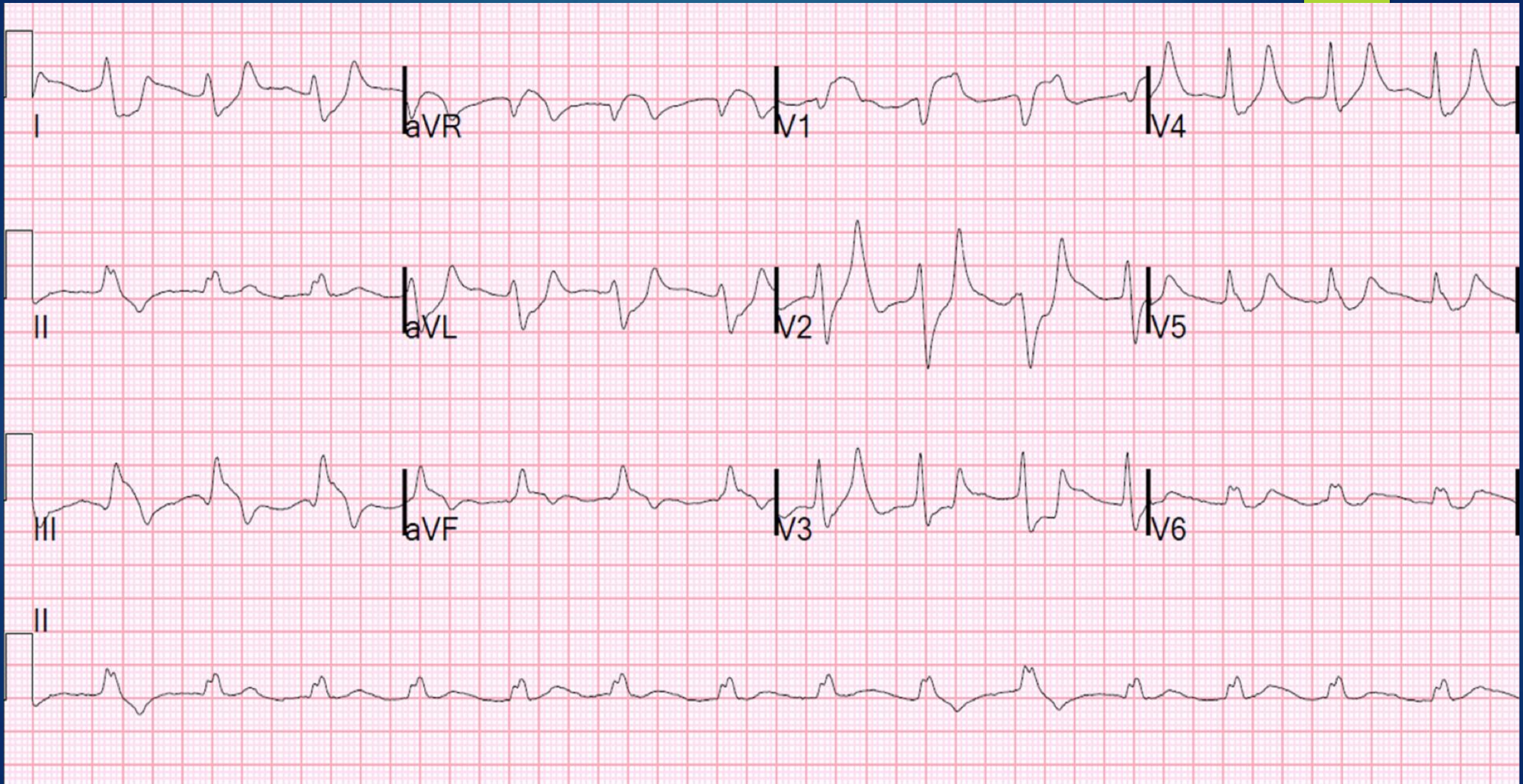
- Horizontal ST depression
- Tall, broad R waves ($>30\text{ms}$)
- Upright T waves
- Dominant R wave (R/S ratio > 1) in V2

De-Winter T waves

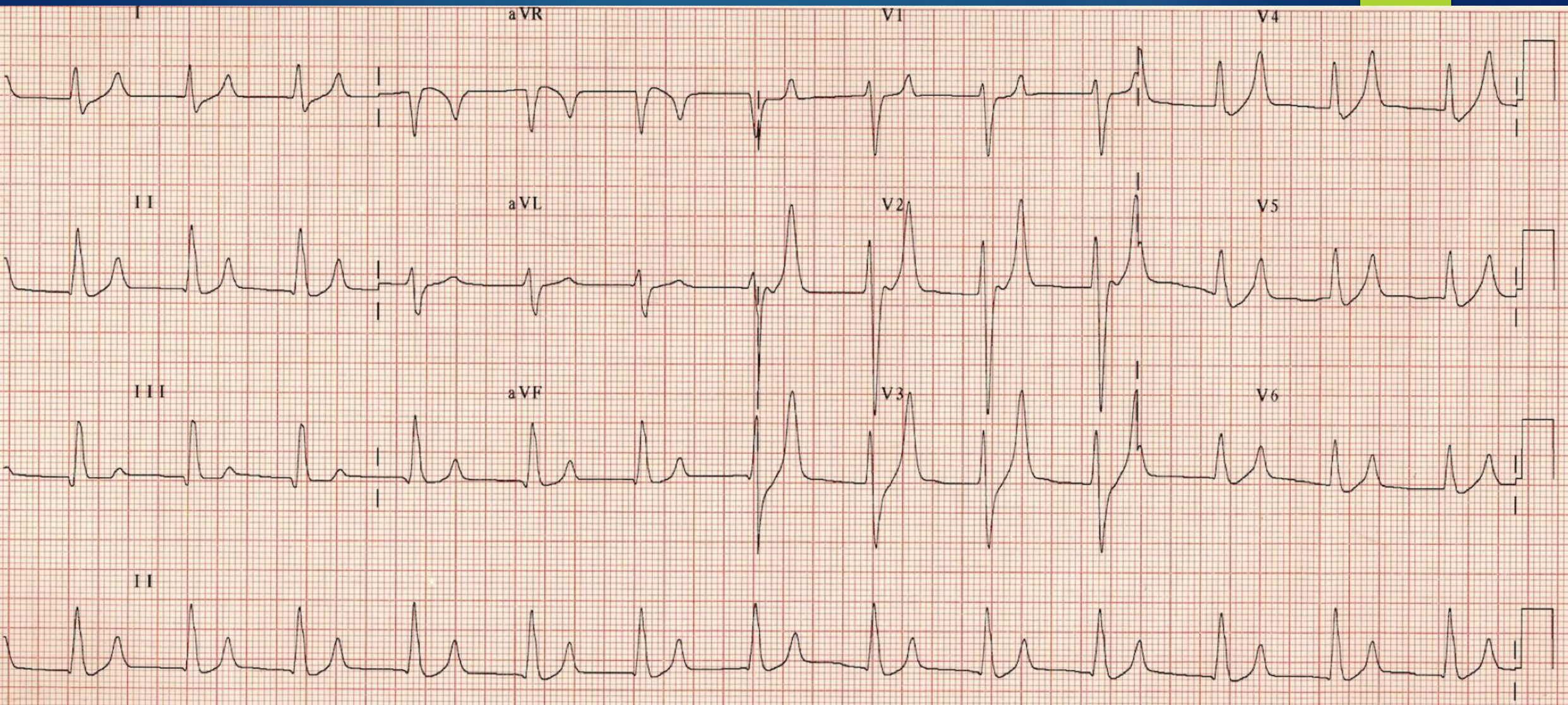
- ▶ Tall, prominent, symmetric, “rocketing” T waves in precordial leads
- ▶ Upsloping ST depression (>1 mm) at the J-point in precordial leads
- ▶ STE (0.5-1 mm) in aVR



Is this De-Winter or Post MI?







ULTIMATE

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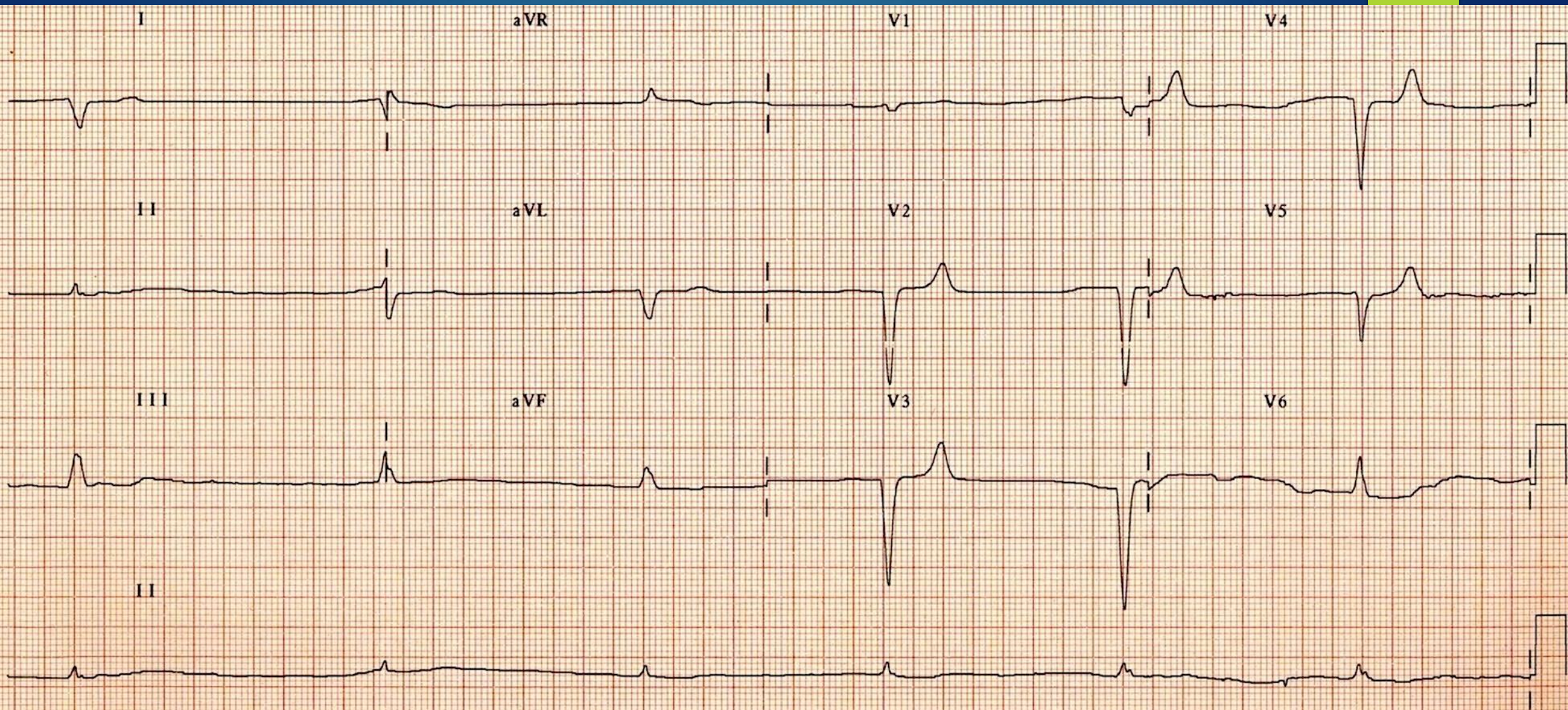
25 mm/s 10 mm/mV


F ~ 0.5 Hz - 40 Hz W

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- ▶ Presented with APO after missing several dialysis sessions
 - ▶ Cardiac arrest shortly after presenting
 - ▶ K^+ 7.9
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- ▶ Differential for severe bradycardia with 1° AV Block?
 - ▶ Ischaemia
 - ▶ B-blocker toxicity
 - ▶ Ca Channel blocker toxicity

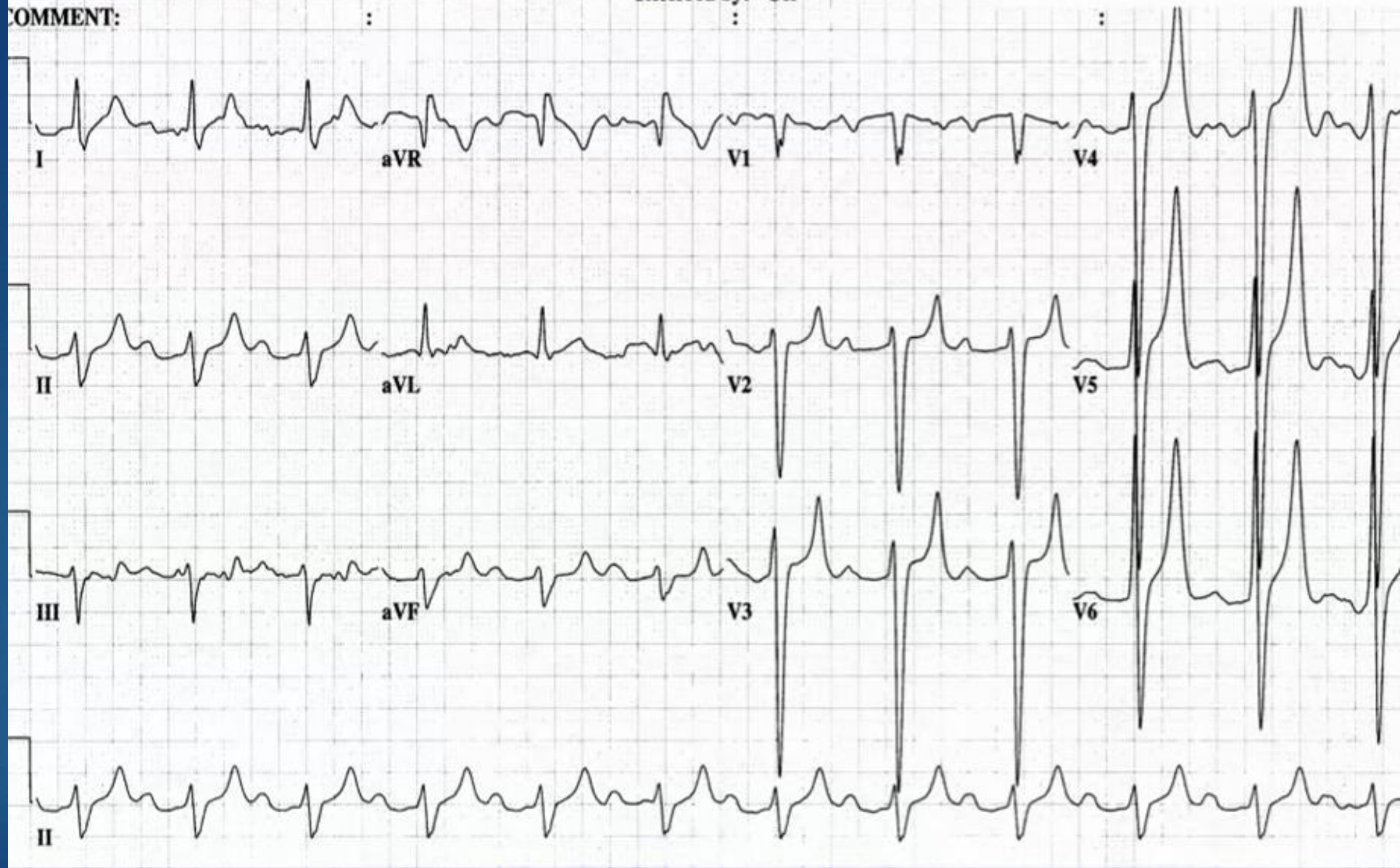
ECG Findings in Hyperkalemia

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- ▶ - Peaked Ts
 - ▶ - Widening of the QRS
 - ▶ - Prolonged PR
 - ▶ - Flattening and eventual loss of Ps

 - ▶ - Tachycardias
 - ▶ - Advanced AV blocks and sinus pauses
 - ▶ - Pseudo-ACS - new BBBs, ST changes
 - ▶ - Sine wave (preterminal)

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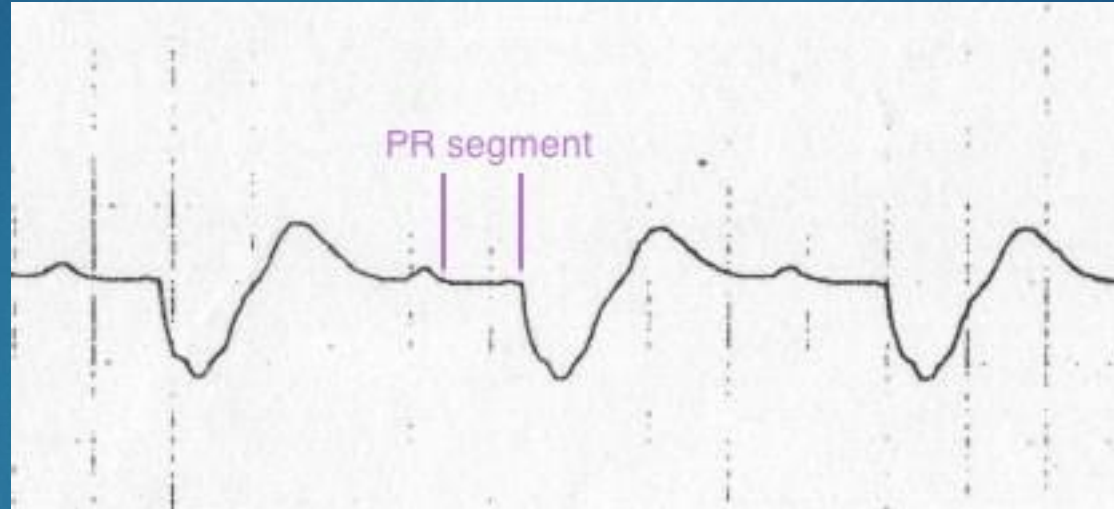




Peaked T waves



Broad QRS



Prolonged PR segment

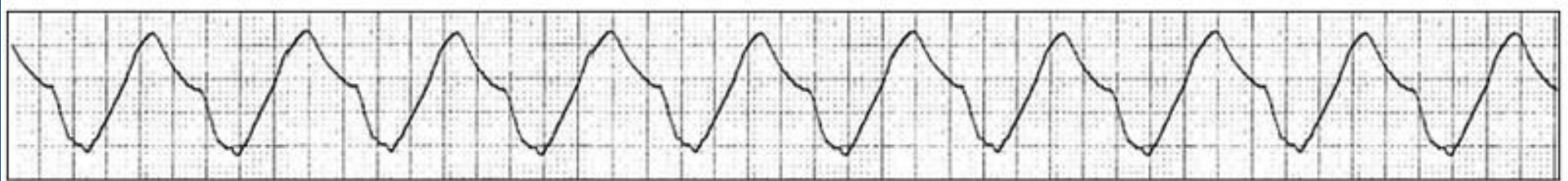
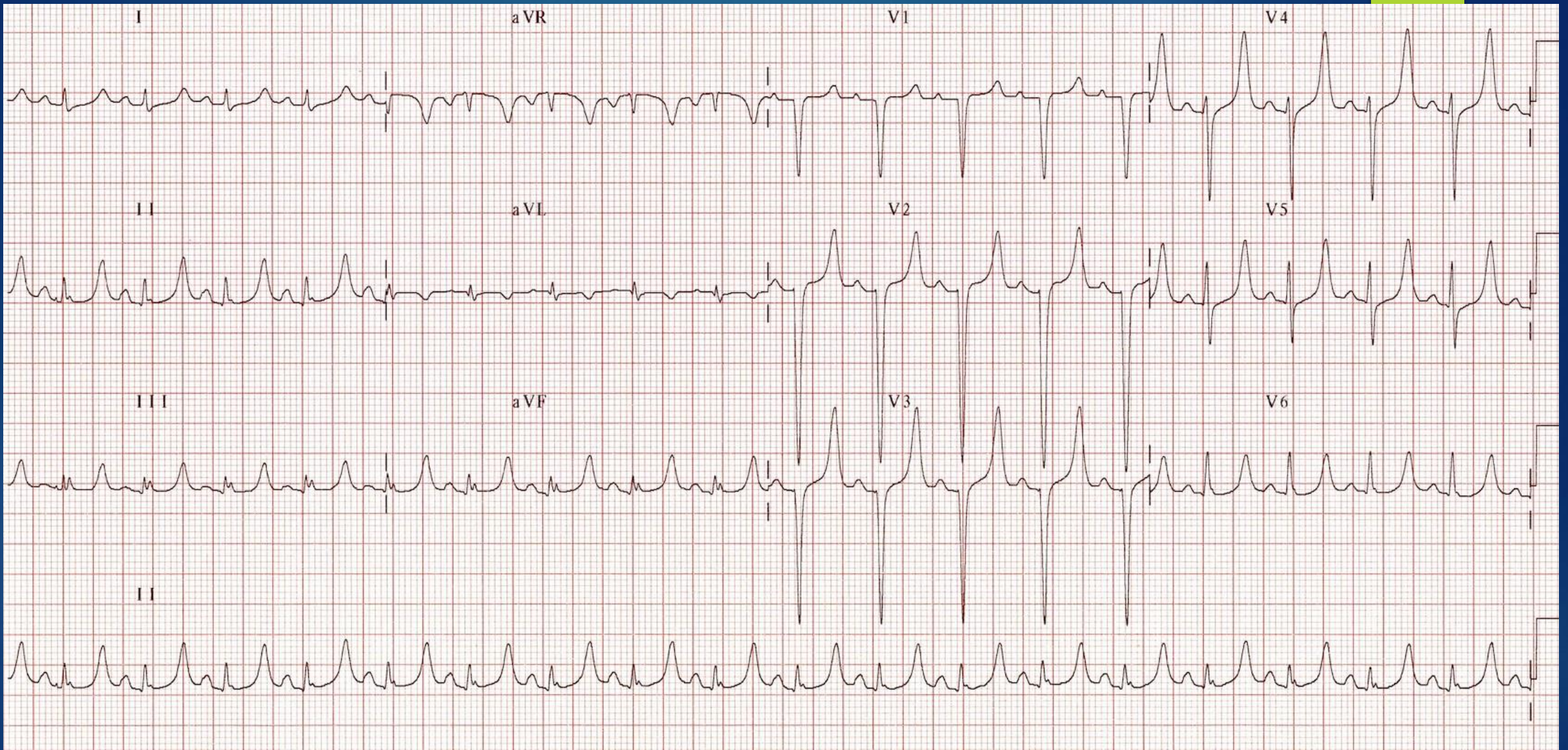
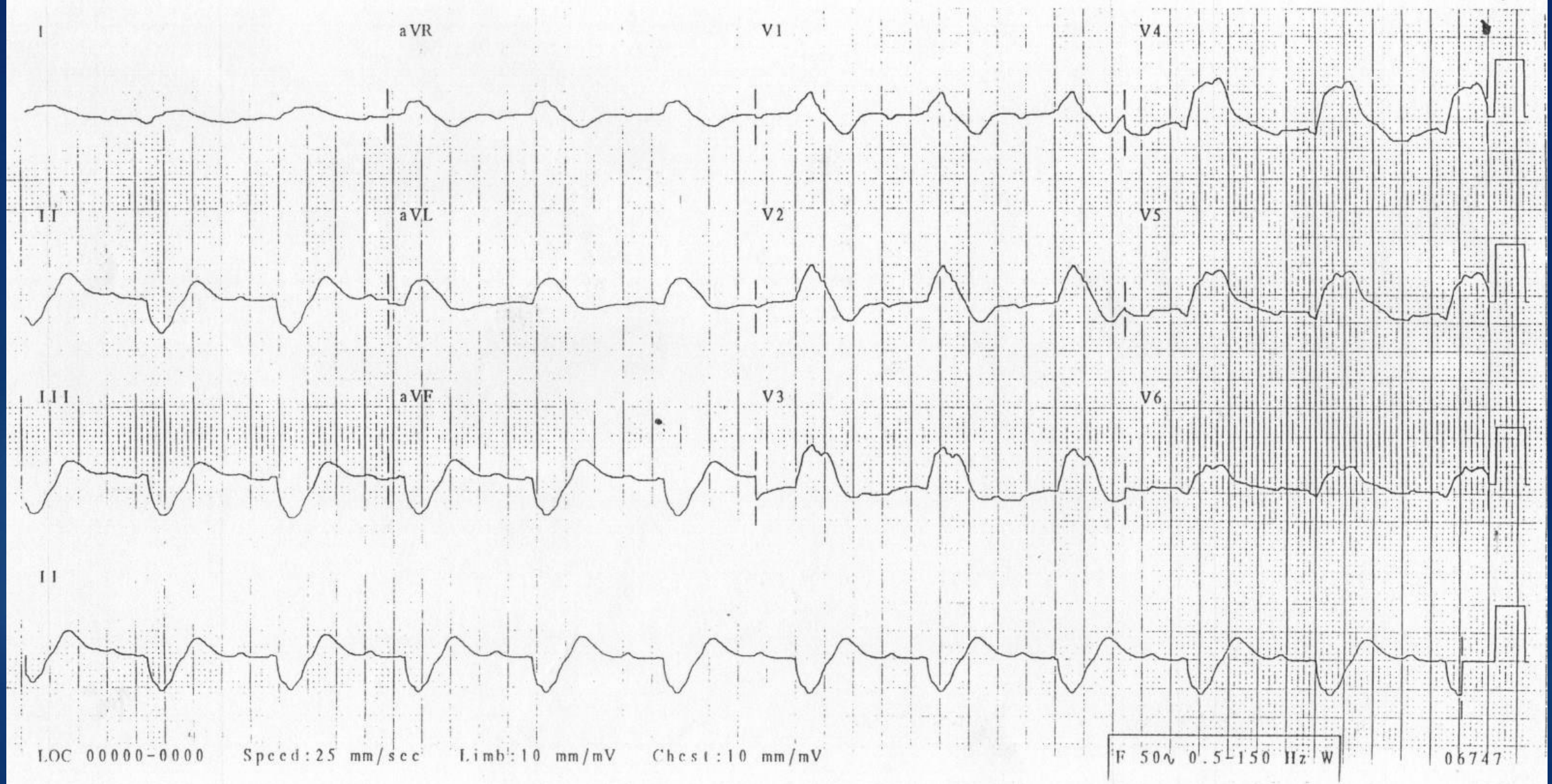


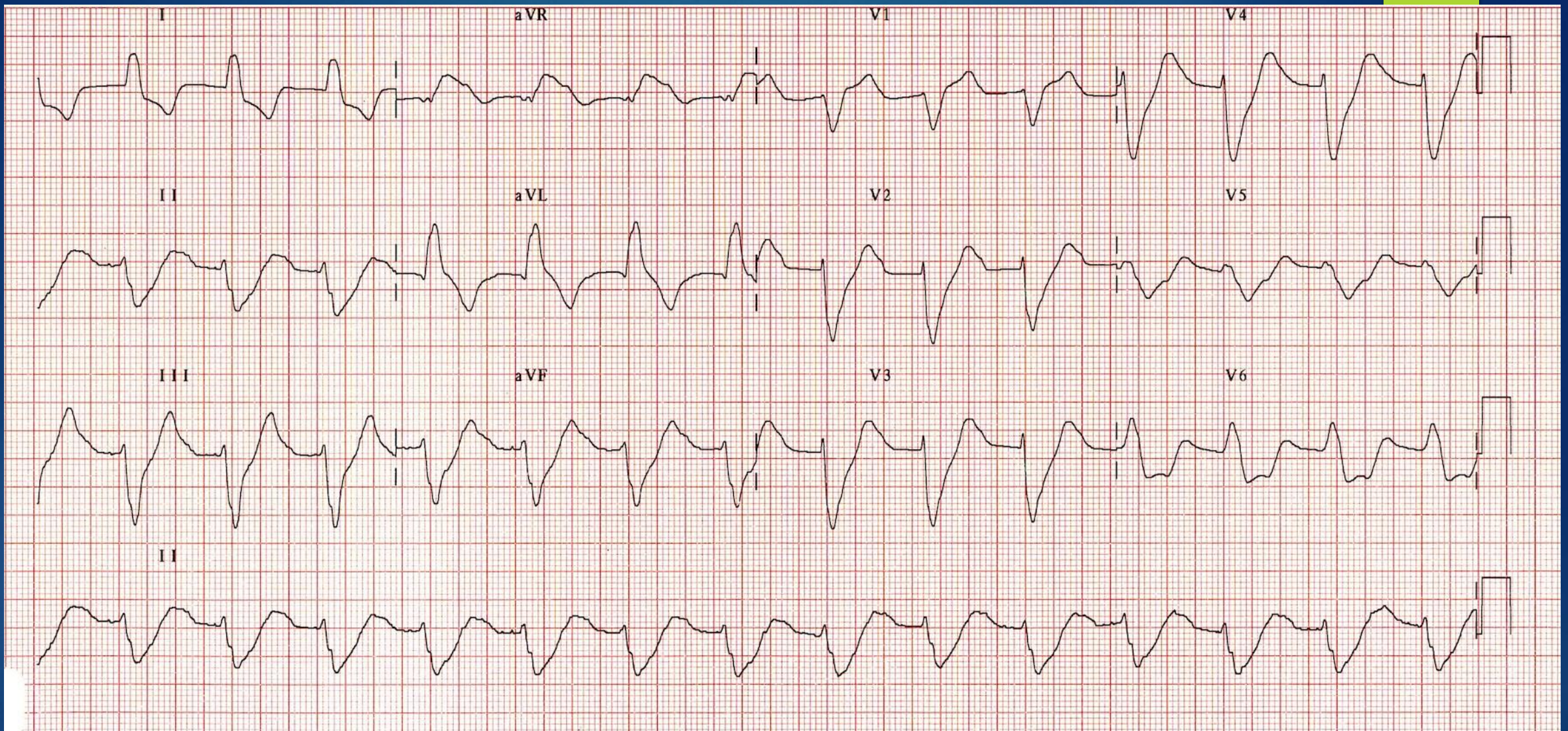
Figure 1 – This ECG rhythm strip shows a wide-complex bradycardic rhythm with sine-wave configuration and the absence of discernible P waves. These findings are consistent with pronounced hyperkalemia.



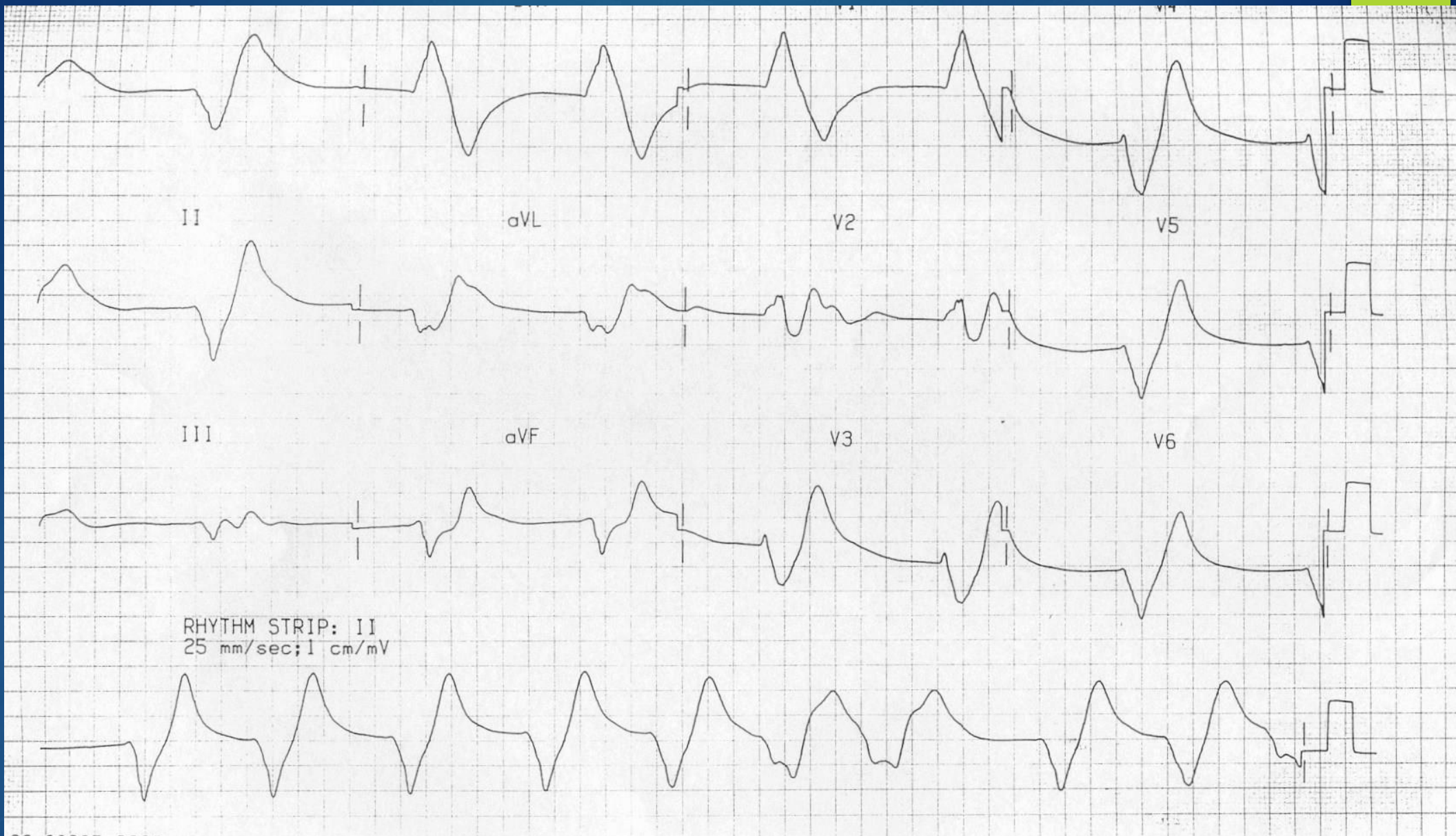
This patient had a serum K⁺ of 7.0



Long PR segment.
Wide, bizarre QRS.



Broad complex rhythm with atypical LBBB morphology.
Left axis deviation.
Absent P waves



Sine wave appearance with severe hyperkalaemia (K^+ 9.9 mEq/L)

Take home points

- ▶ Beware of Hyper K in any sick patient with potential metabolic problems
 - ▶ Get an ECG early
- ▶ Hyper K is the fastest cause of death in DKA
 - ▶ Early ECG in pts with hyperglycaemia that look sick
- ▶ Always consider Hyper K in pts presenting with bradycardia or CHB

What's this?

