



INTERGRATING ADVANCED MULTI-MODALITY
IMAGING IN VT ABLATION

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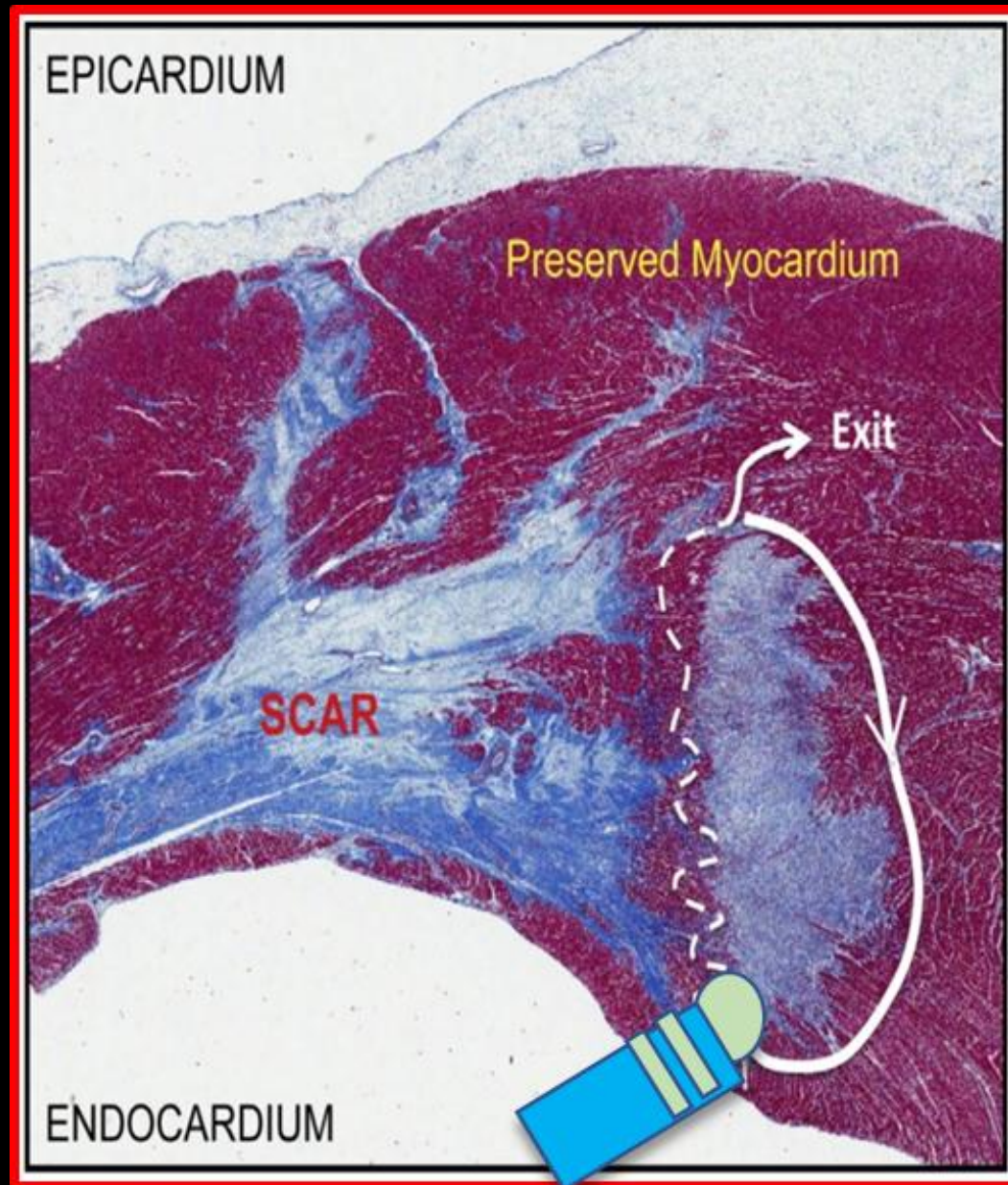
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IMAGING TOOLS FOR VT ABLATION



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Identification of substrate

Structural details

TEE
ICE
3-D EAM
LGE-MRI
MDCT

Functional details

LGE MRI
PET-CT
123 MIBG

Precise or limited ablation target

High density mapping

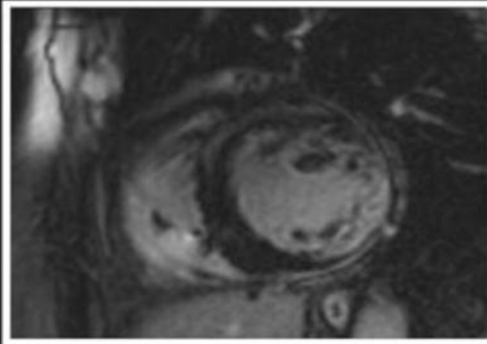
Safety and Efficacy

Contact force

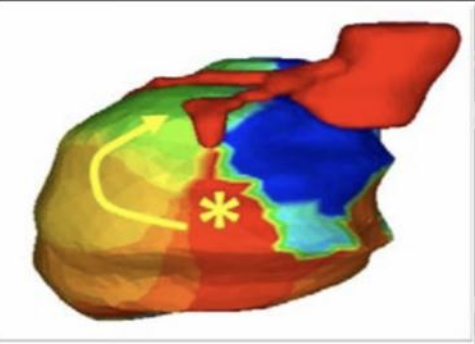
ADVANCED IMAGING TOOLS

ADVANCED IMAGING TOOLS NON-INVASIVE ABLATION

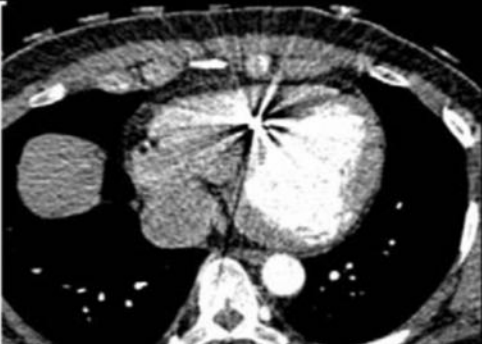
Cardiac MRI



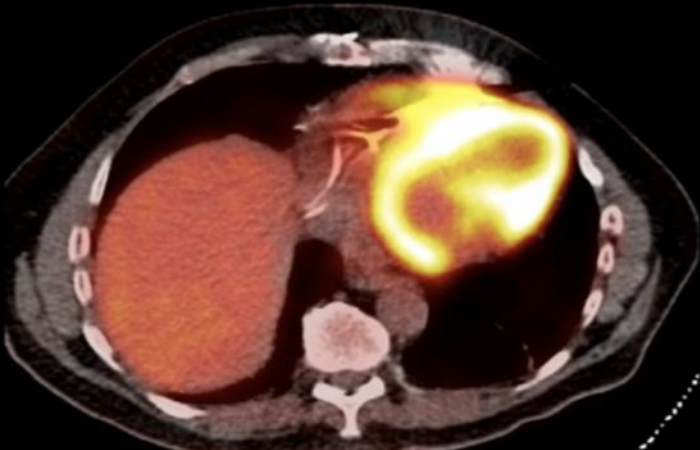
ECGI



Cardiac CT

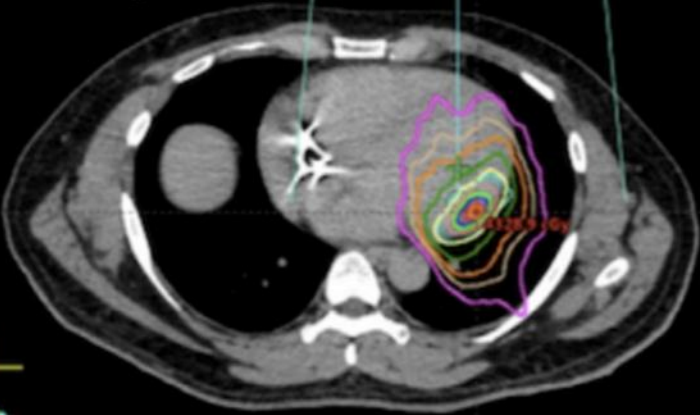


FDG-PET-CT



Noninvasive Treatment Plan,
Targeting Lateral Scar

Dosages (cGy)
4100
3500
3000
2500
2000
1500
1250
1000



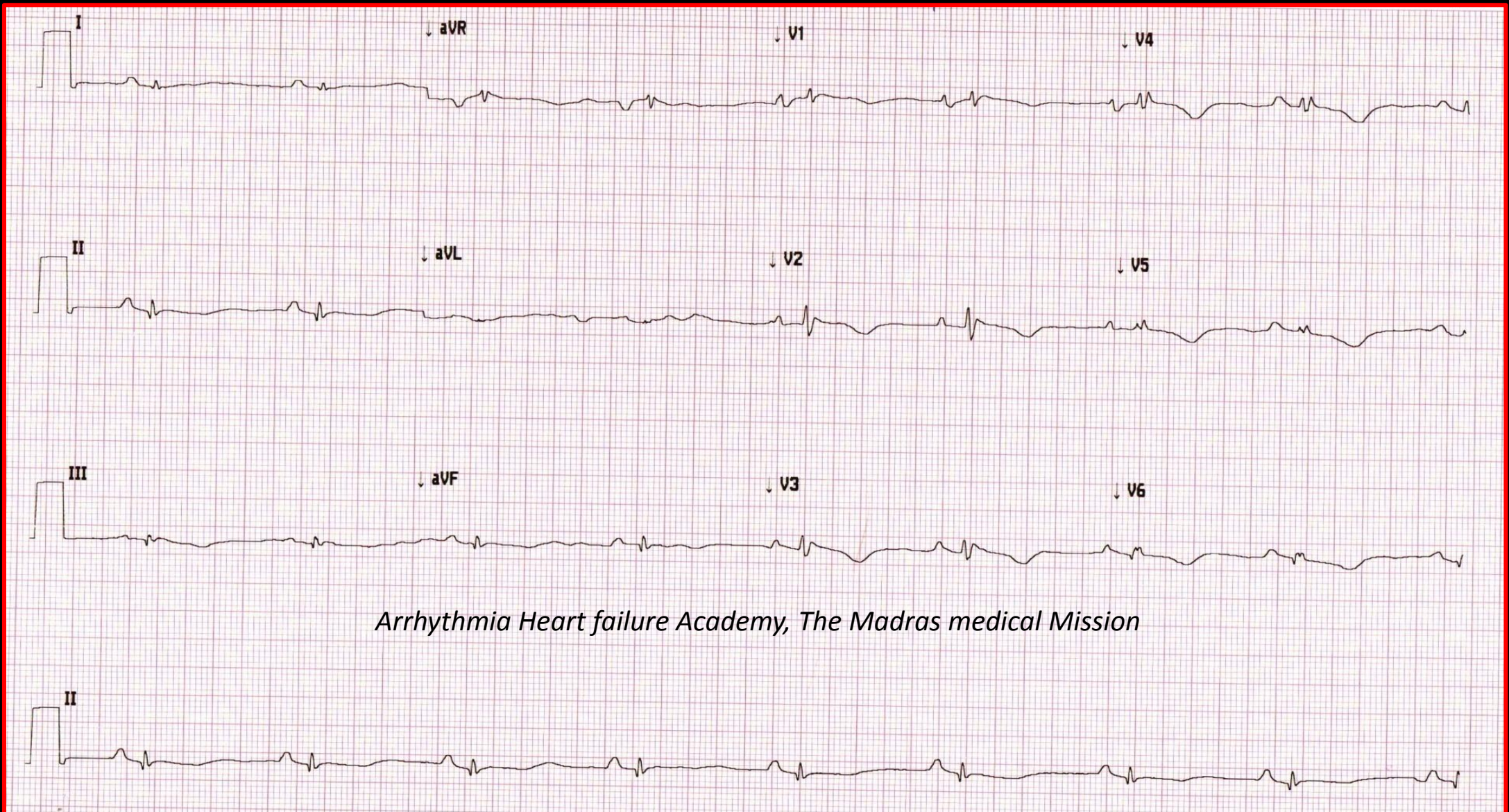
CASE 1

45Y, M, Syncopal episodes

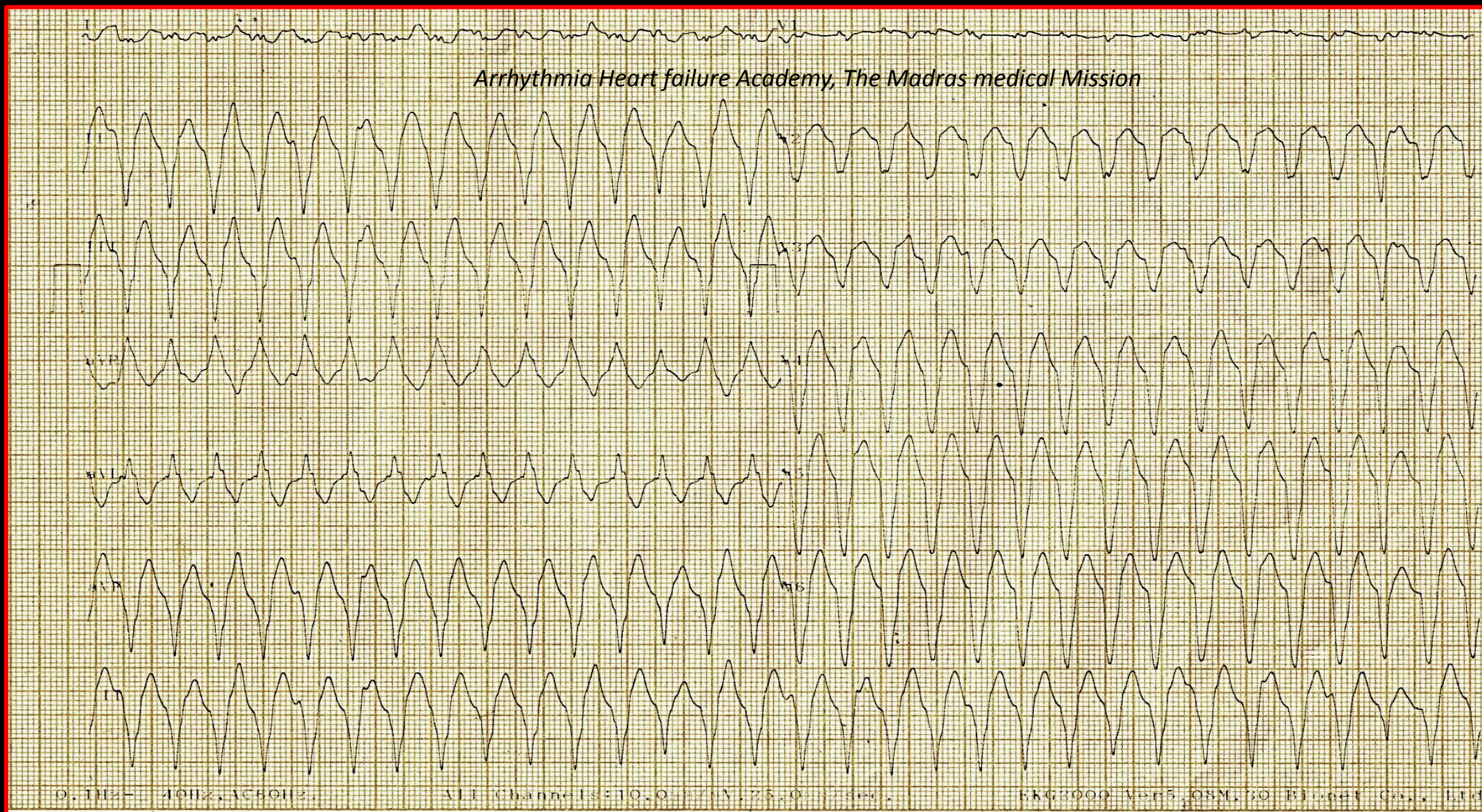
Documented VT

Echo – RA, RV dilated, RV dyskinesia+, ?ARVD

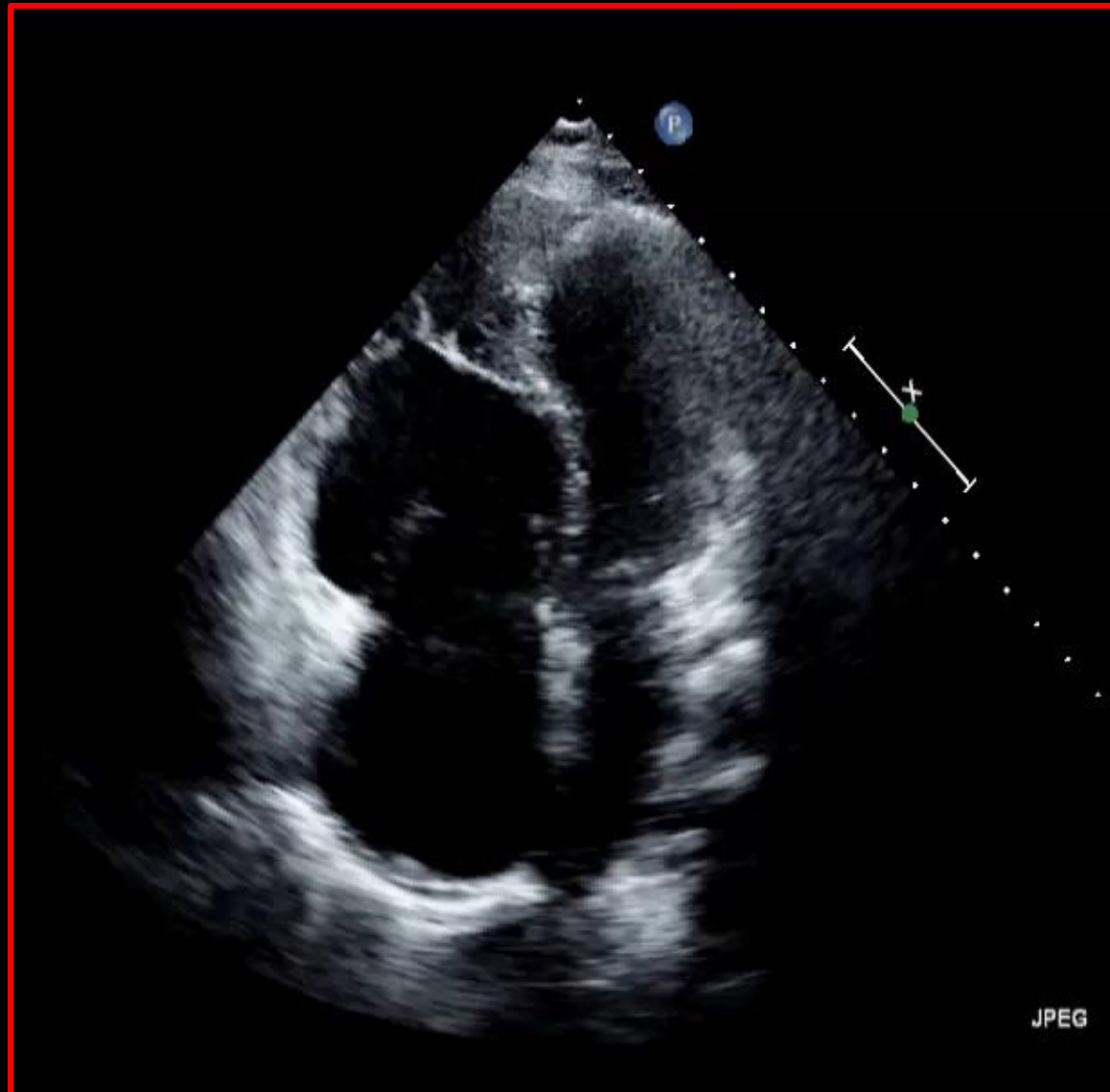
ECG



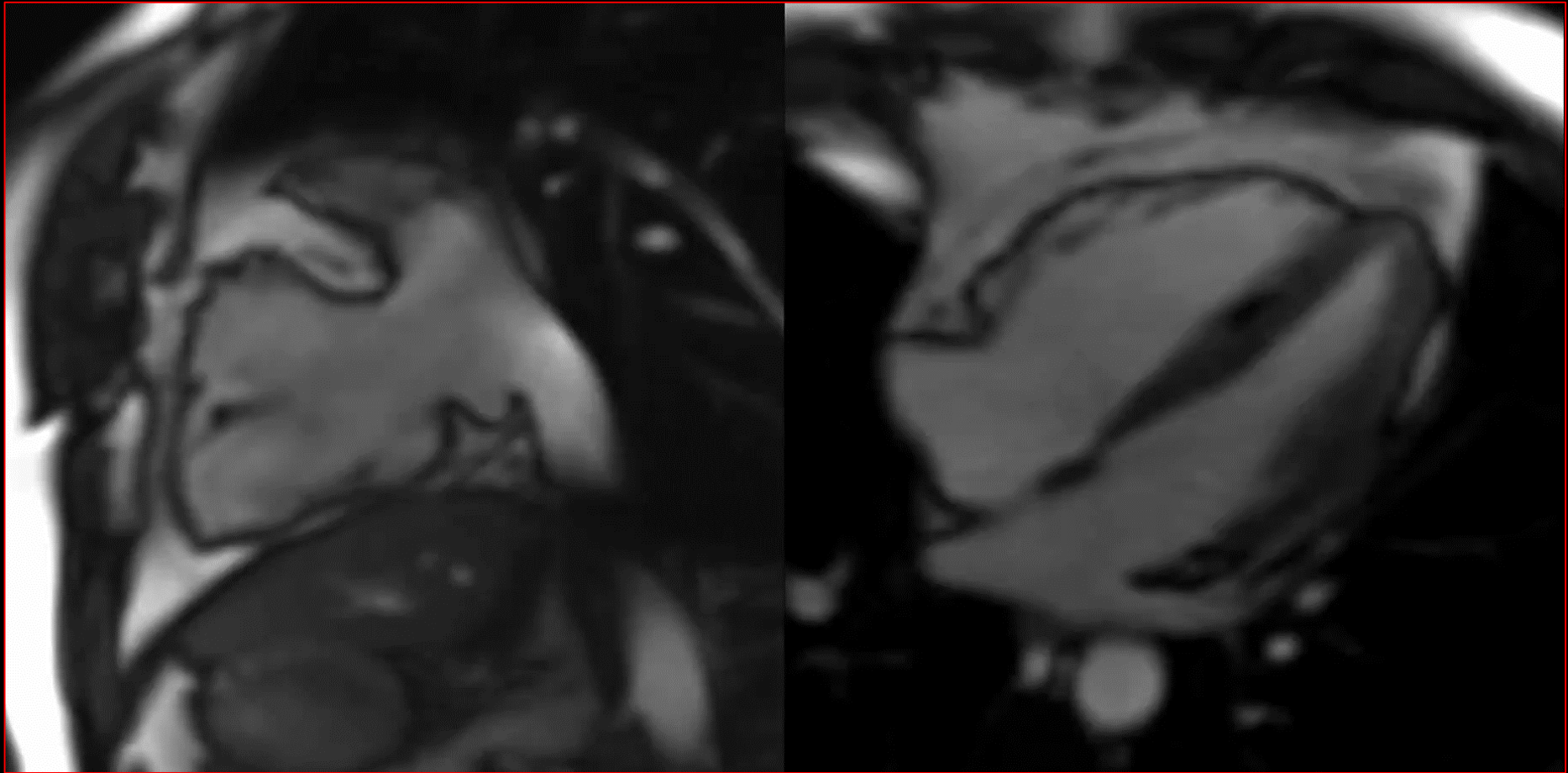
ECG during tachycardia



ECHO



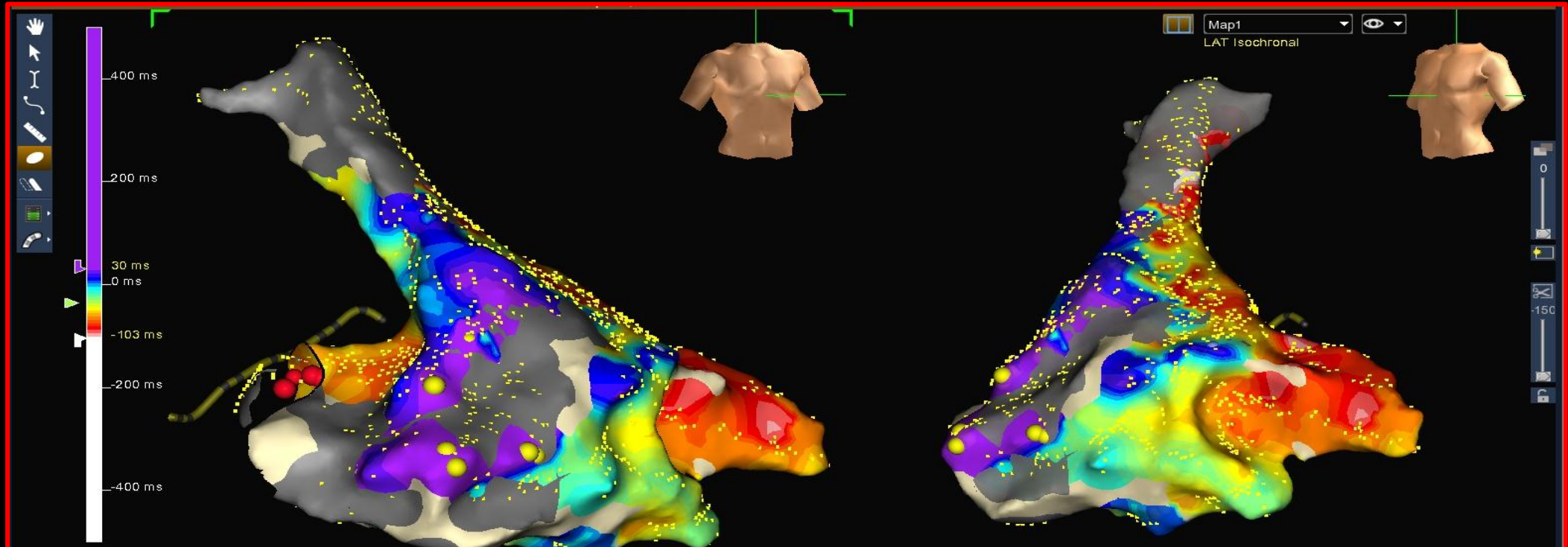
MRI



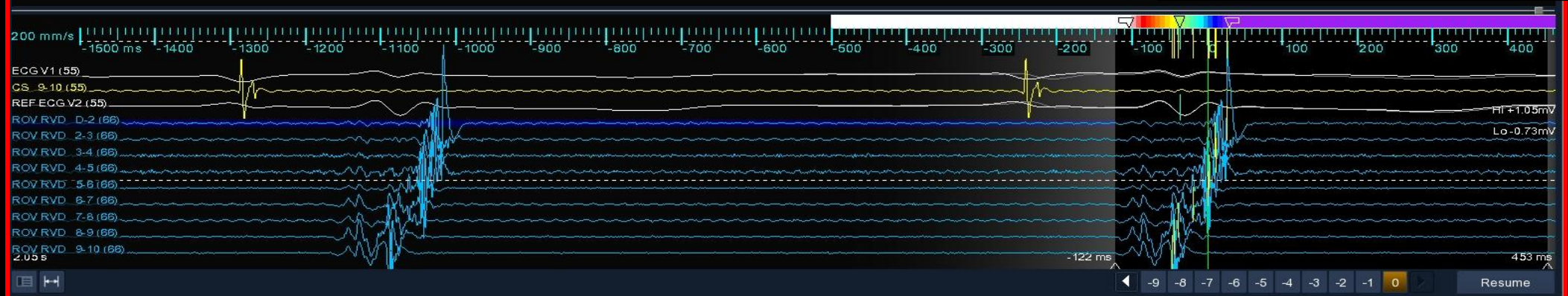
- Conclusions:**
1. Marked thinning of the right ventricular anterior wall
 2. There are areas of hypo and dyskinesia over the anterior RV wall from the inlet till the RVOT with patchy fibrotic regions
 3. Dilated RV with indexed volume of $124\text{ml}/\text{M}^2$.

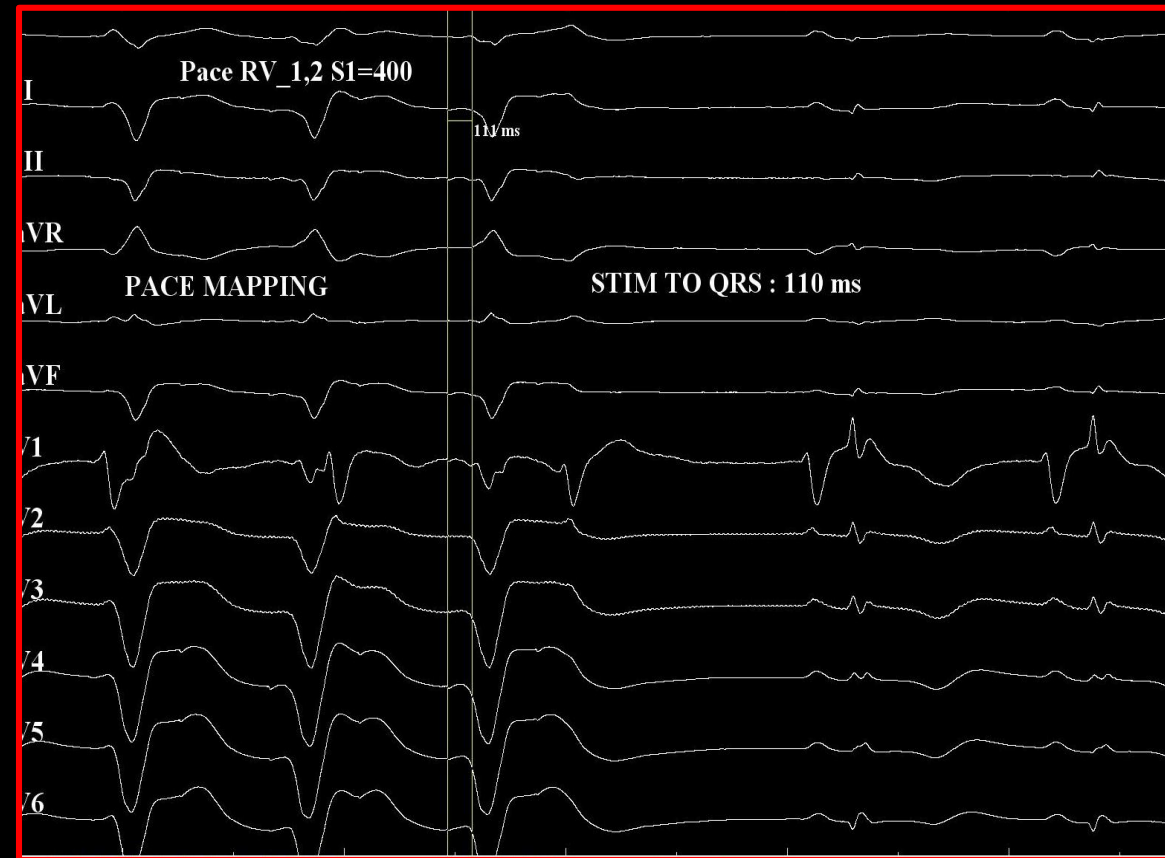
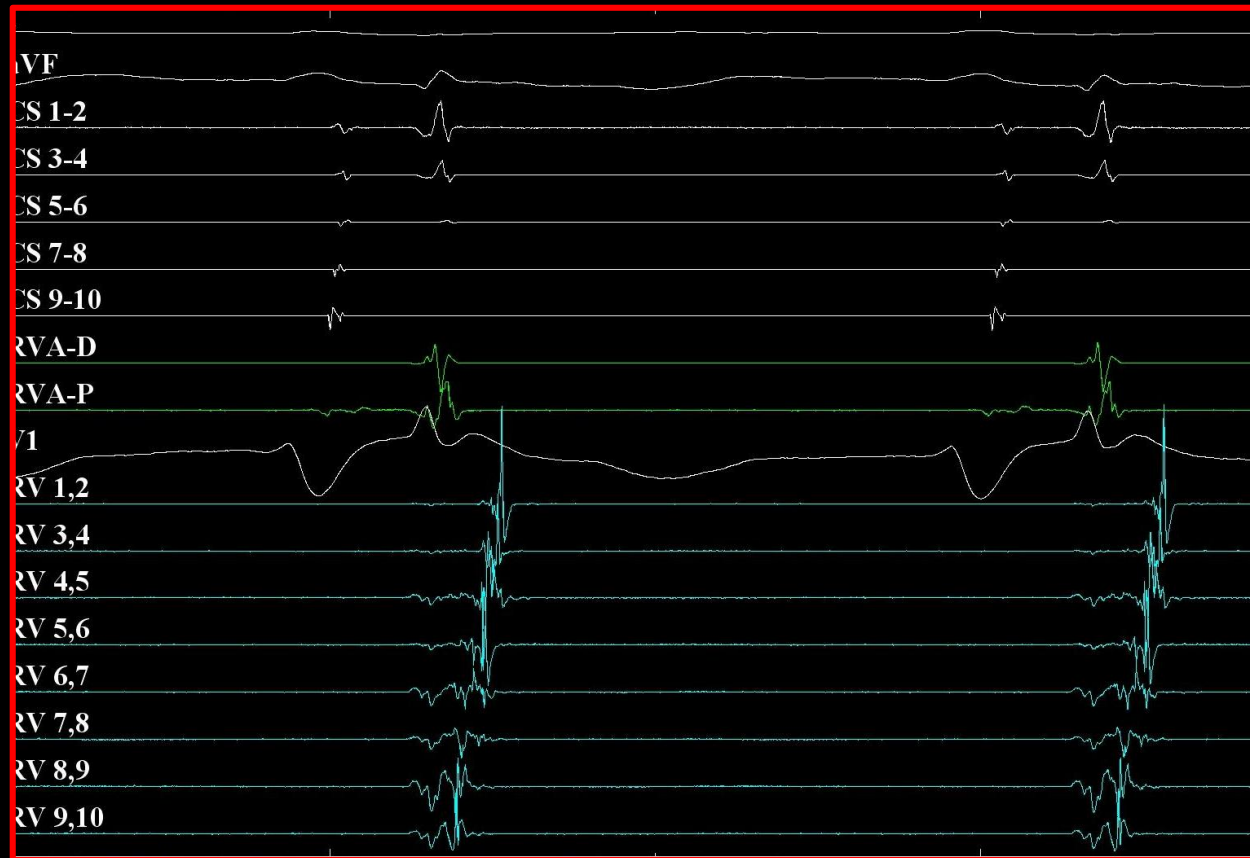
The features could fill the major MRI criteria for a diagnosis of ARVD/C .

3D-EAM



Scar cut off value <math>< 0.2\text{mV}</math>





Endocardial ablation "alone" was considered enough

MRI + Late potential map + Contact force ablation

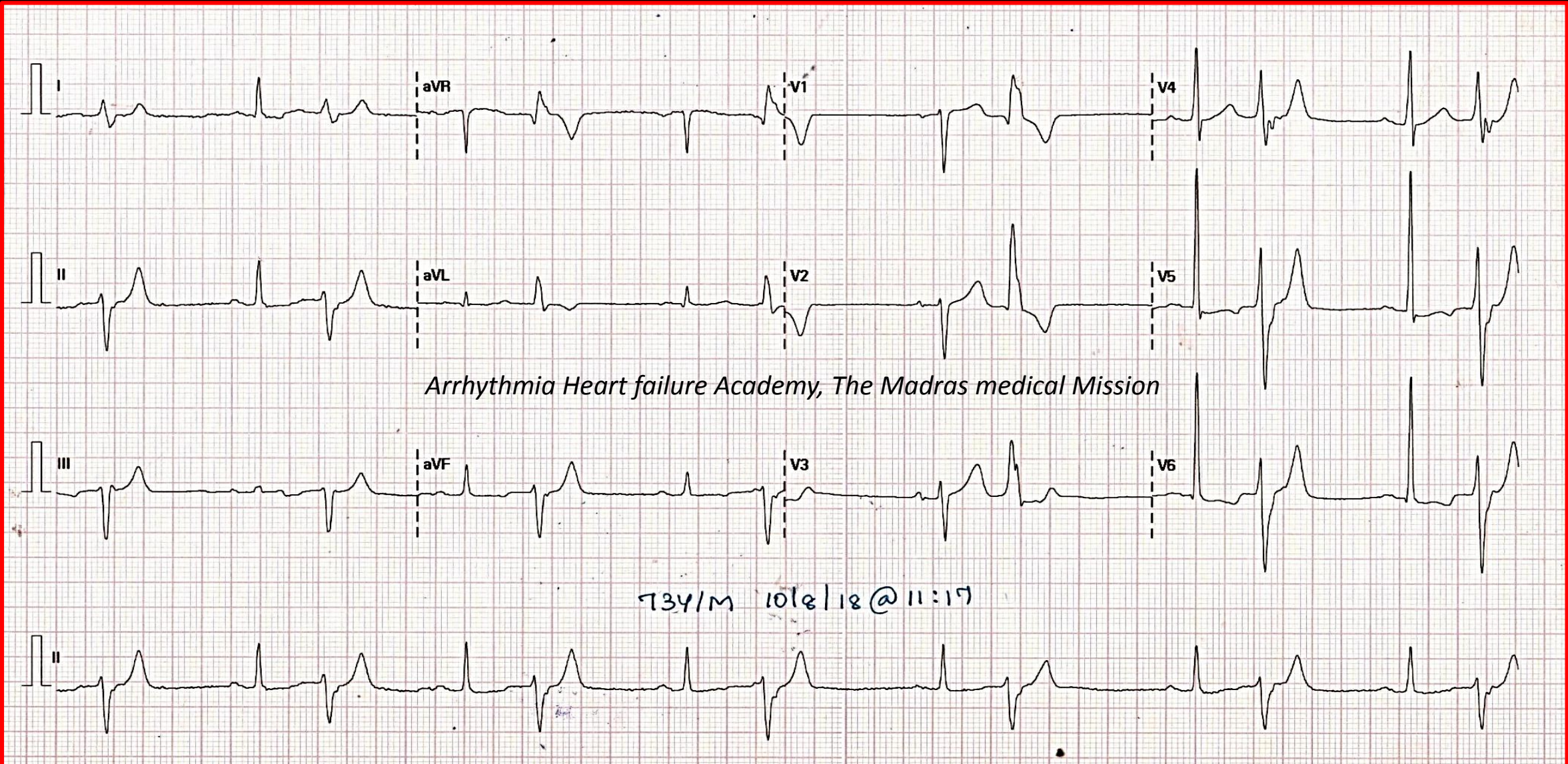
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73Y, M, SYNCOPAL EPISODES

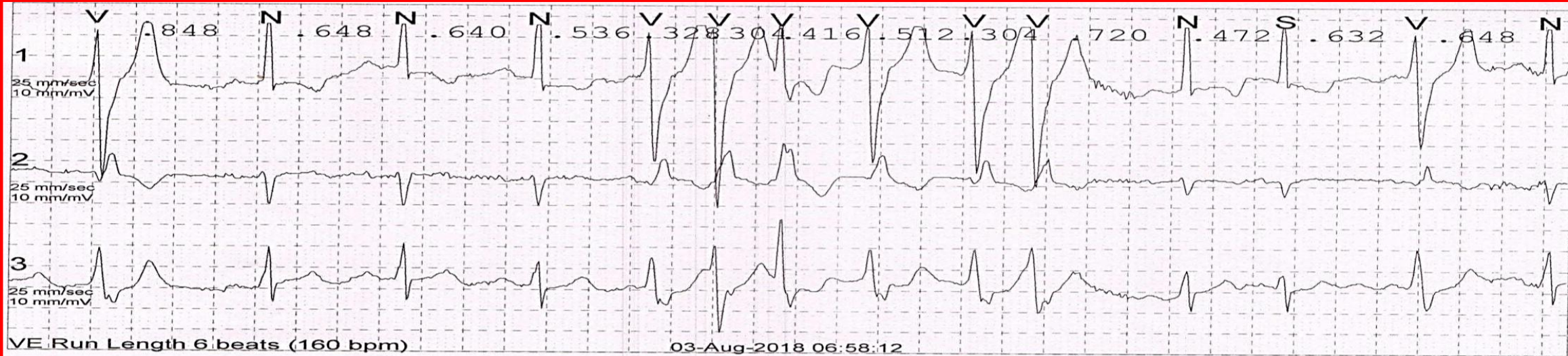
GOOD BIVENTRICULAR FUNCTION

NORMAL EPICARDIAL CORONARIES

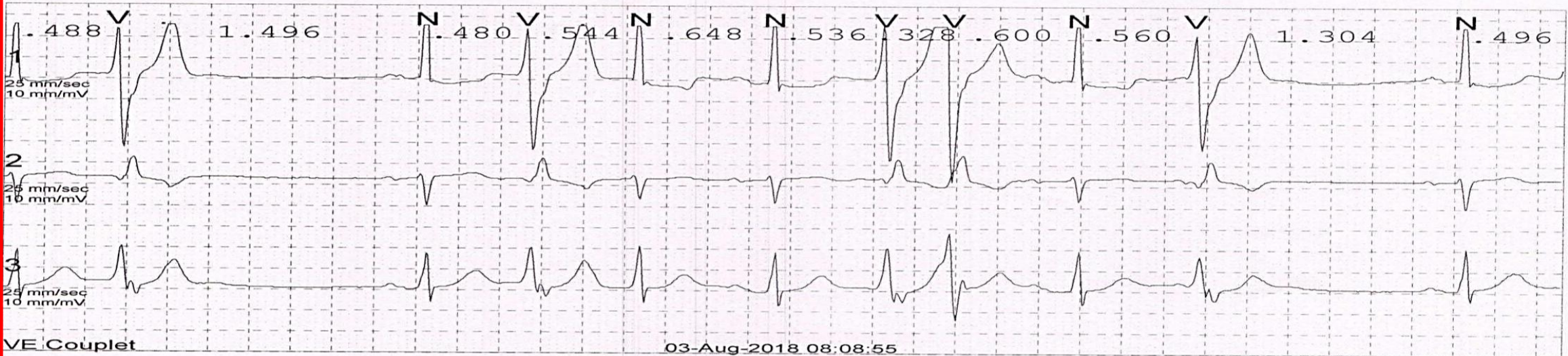
ECG



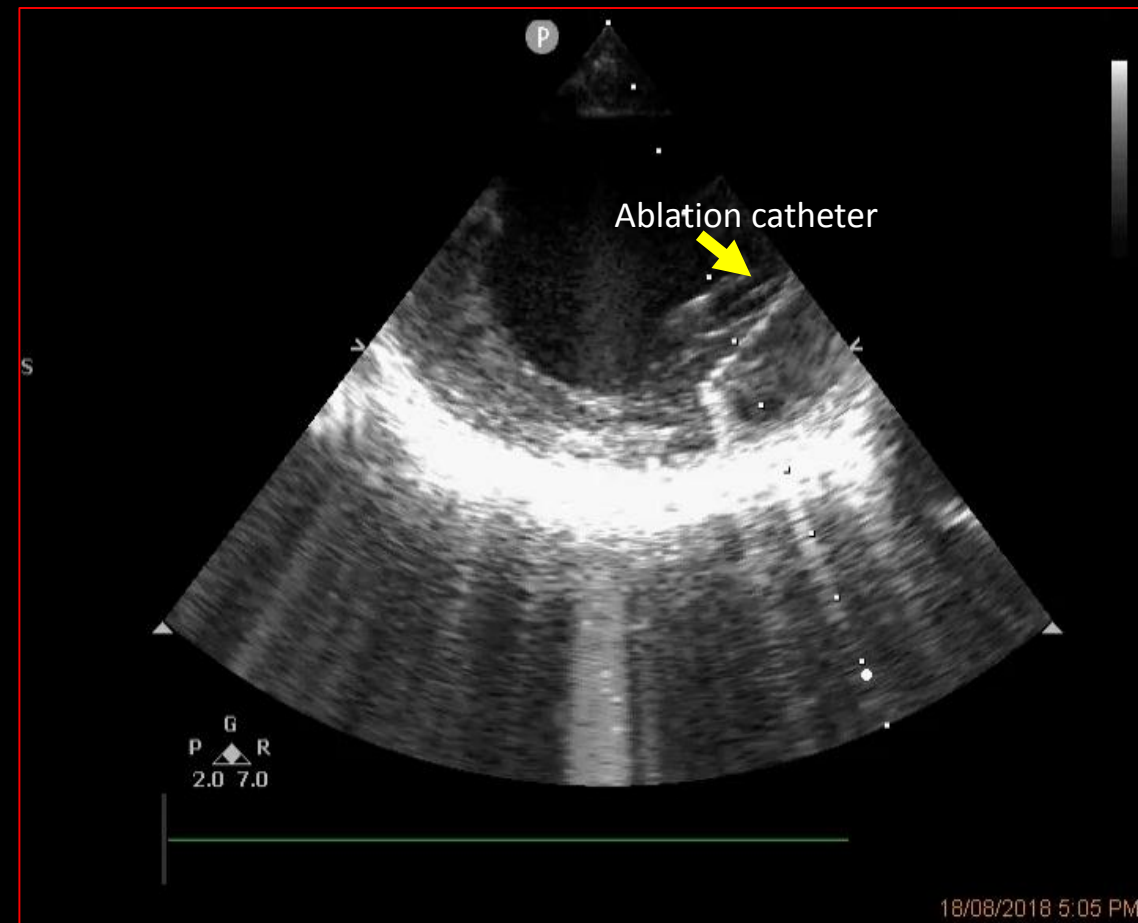
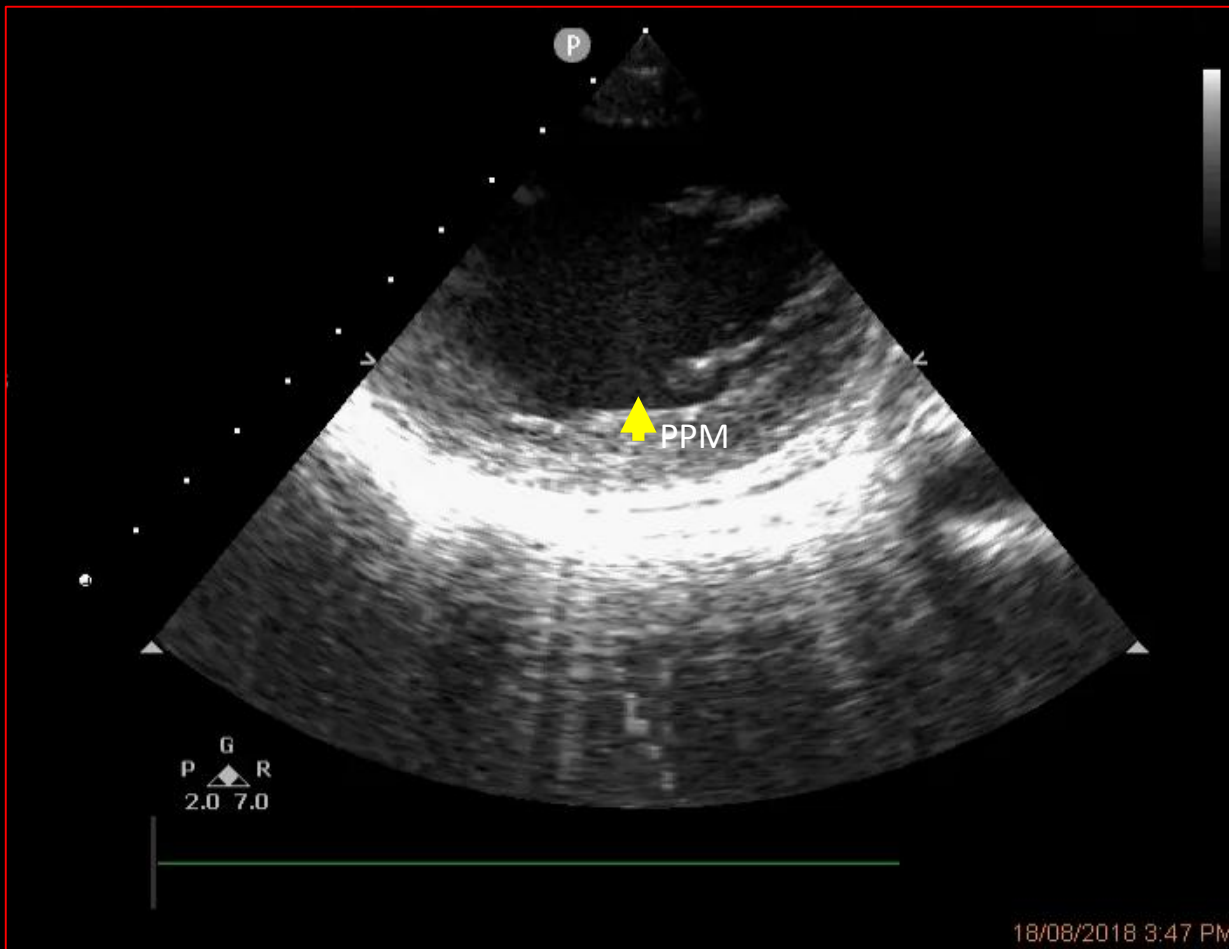
HOLTER

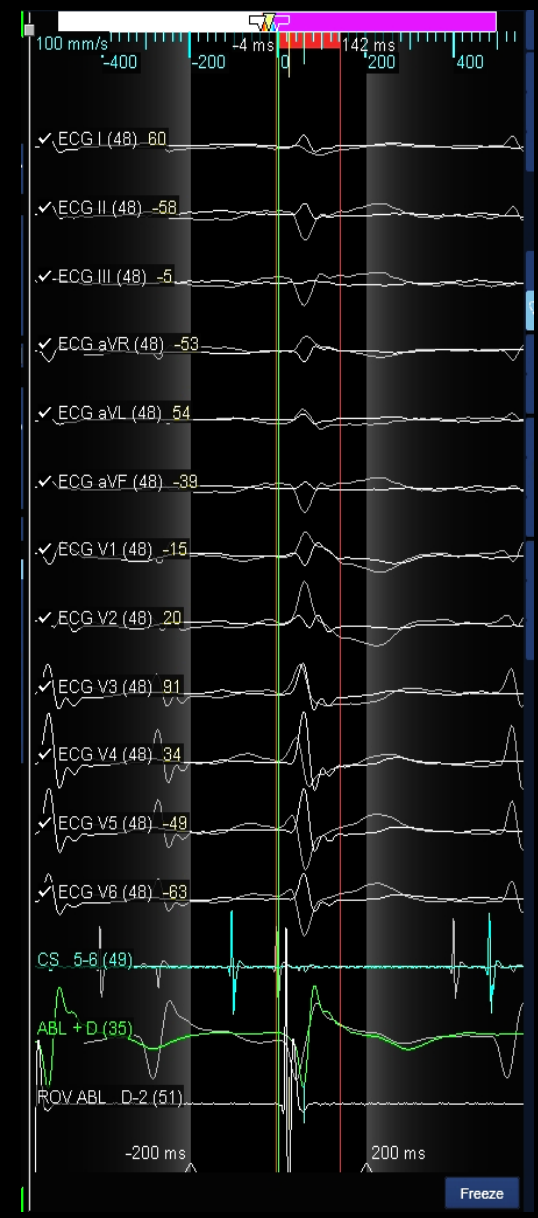
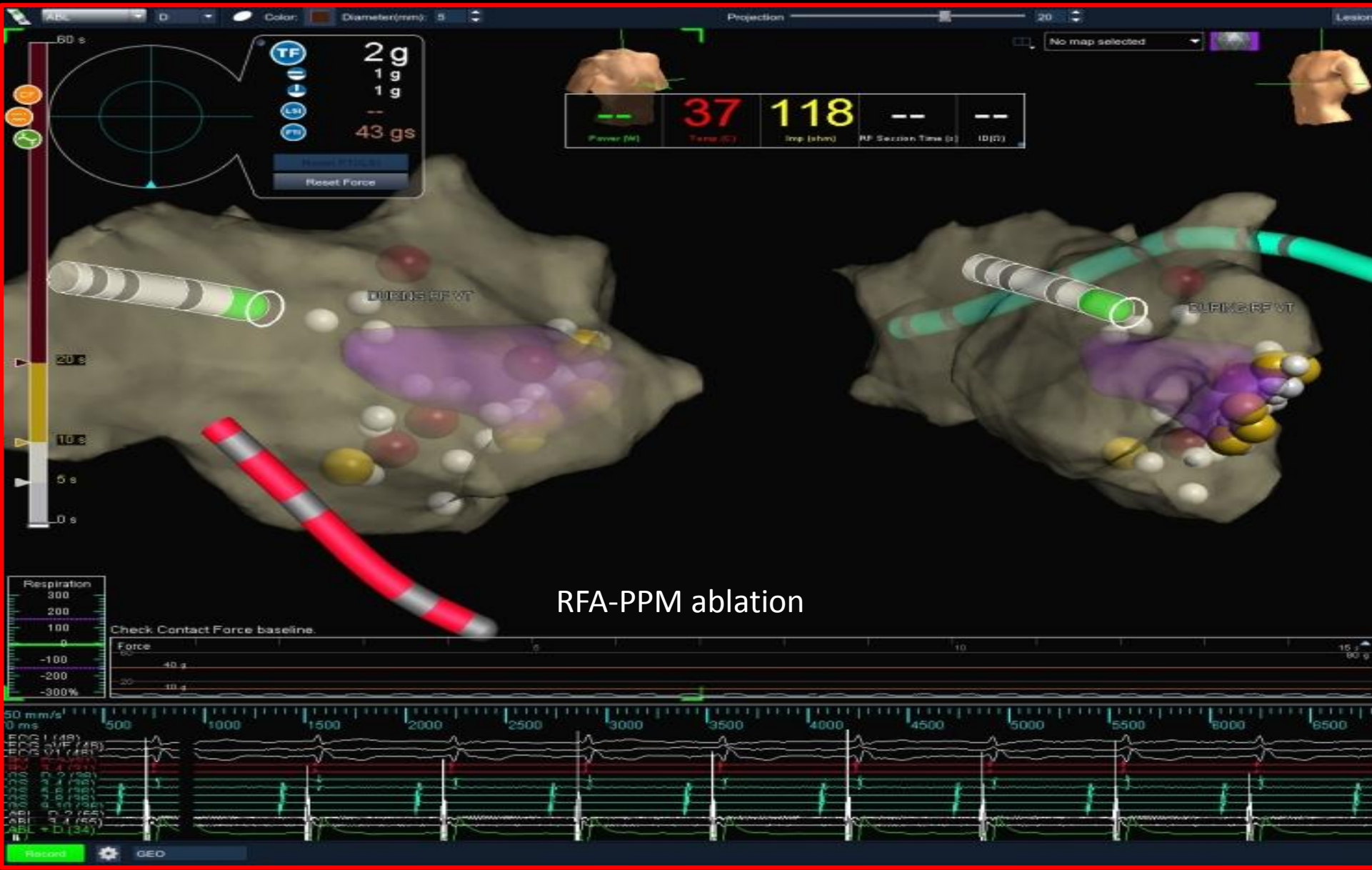


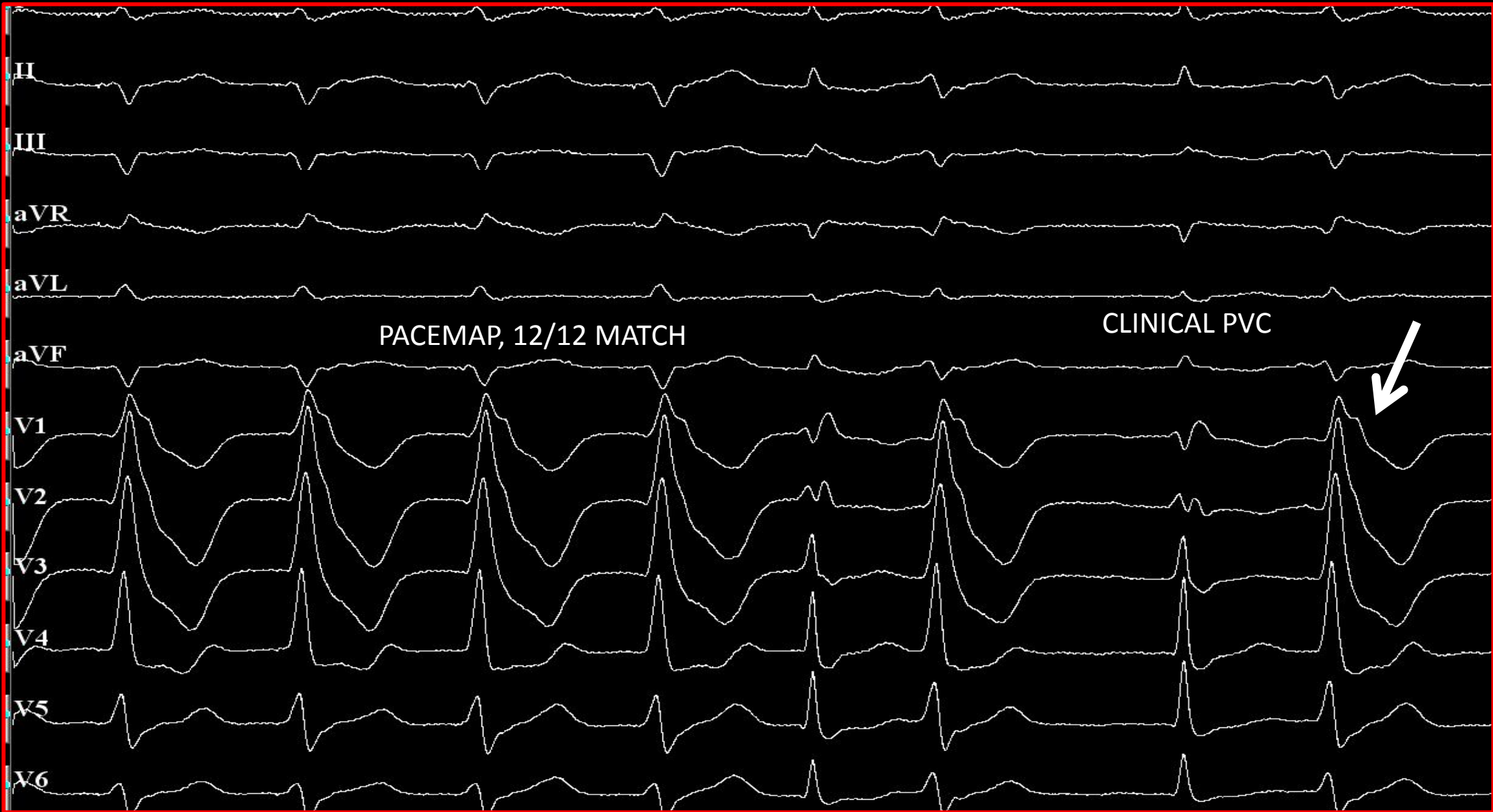
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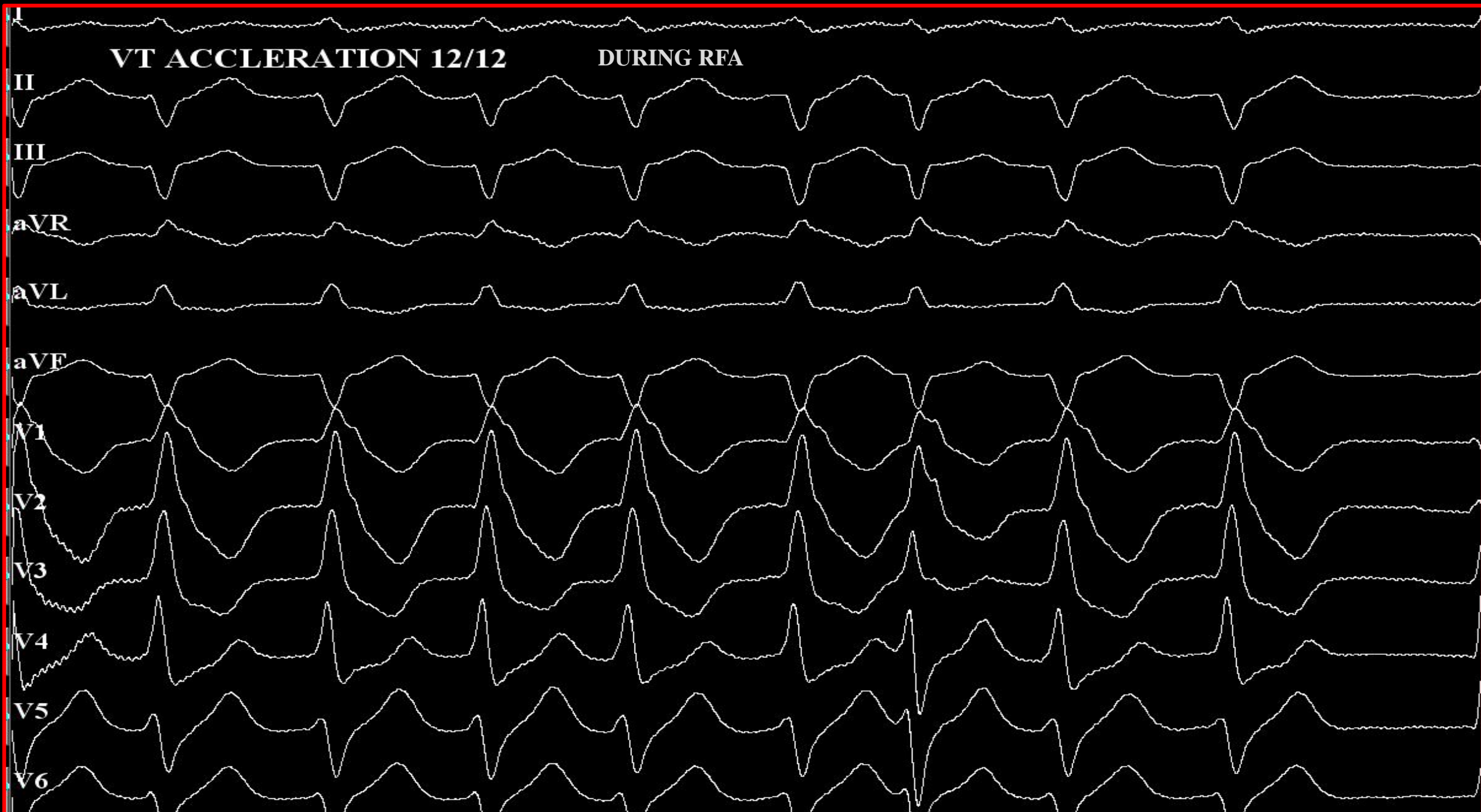


ICE









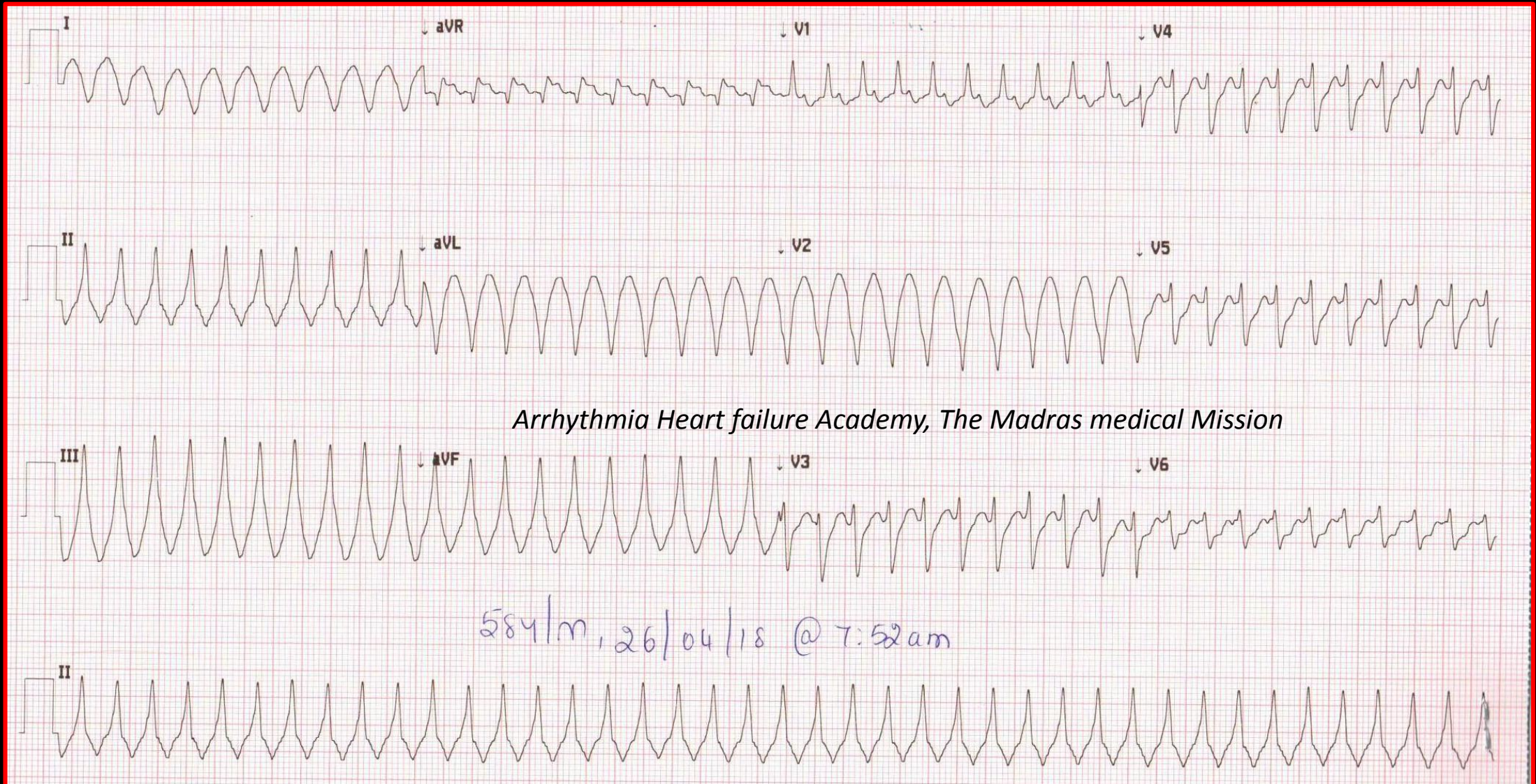
PAPILLARY MUSCLE VT

ICE + Intracavitary 3D map +
Contact force ablation catheter

CASE 3

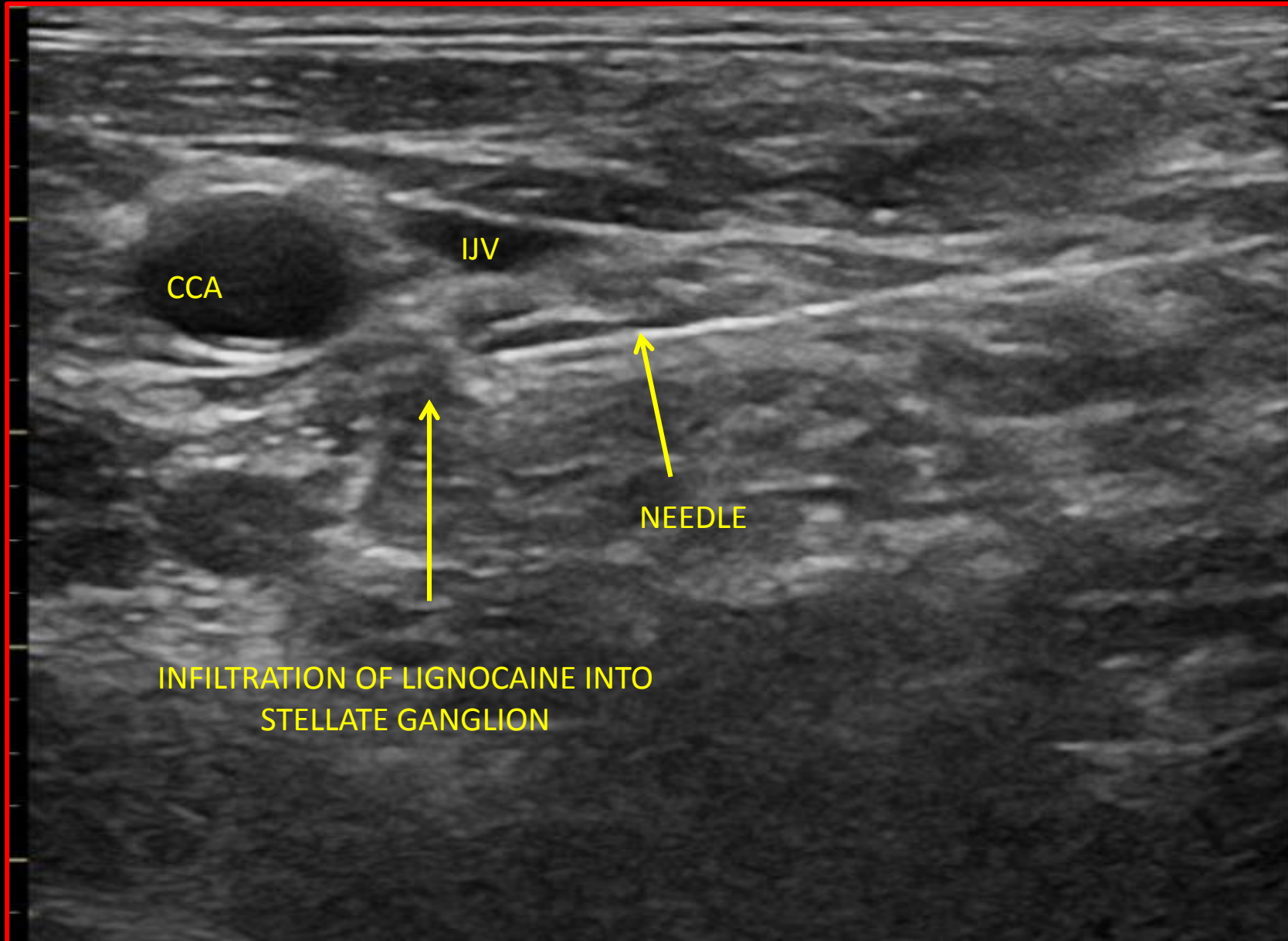
58Y, M, Presents to the ER: Unconscious

Refractory to Cordarone, Lignocaine, Beta Blocker - Multiple shocks



Echo : Structurally Normal Heart, No LV/RV Dysfunction

Stellate Ganglion Block





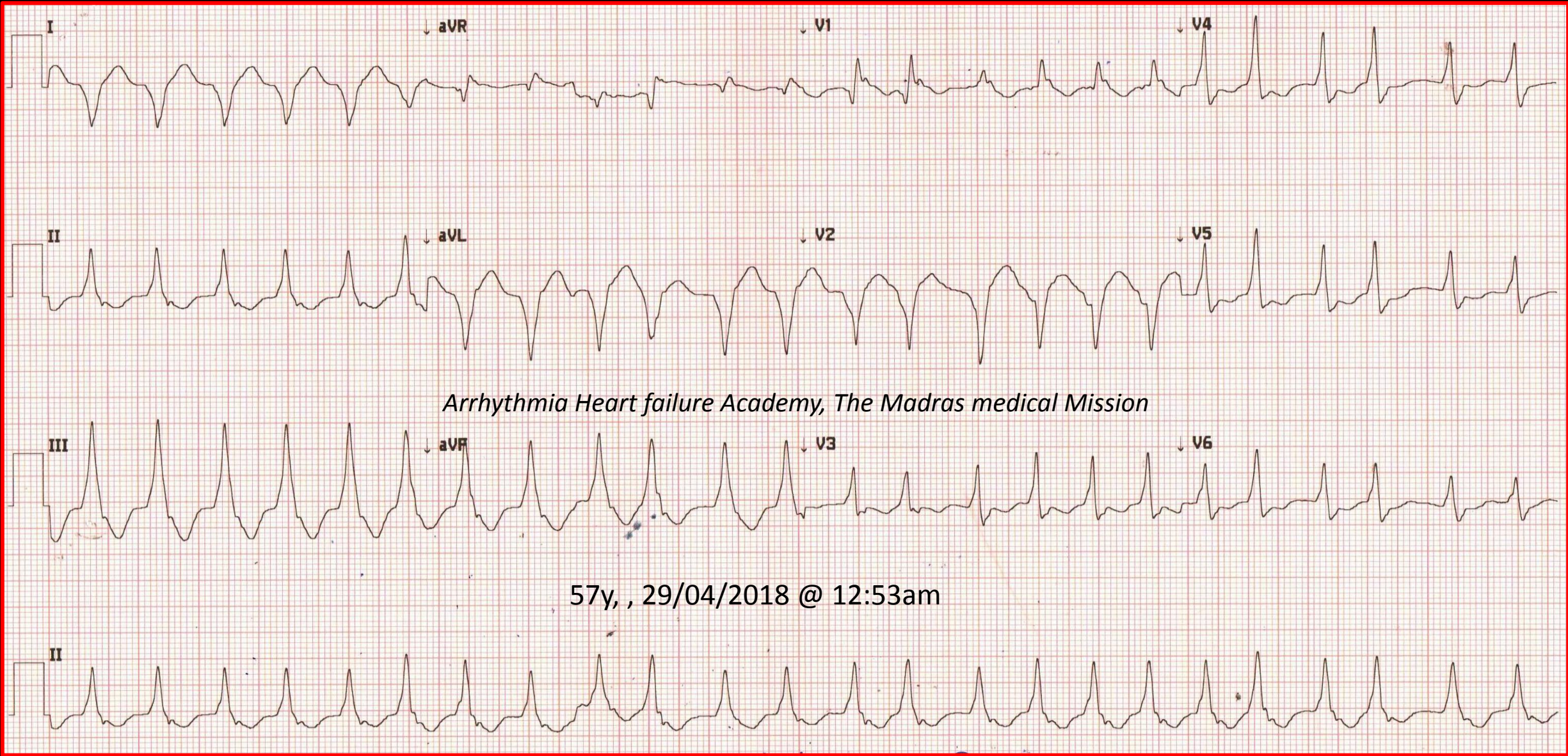
584/M, 2x/4/18 @ 5:51pm



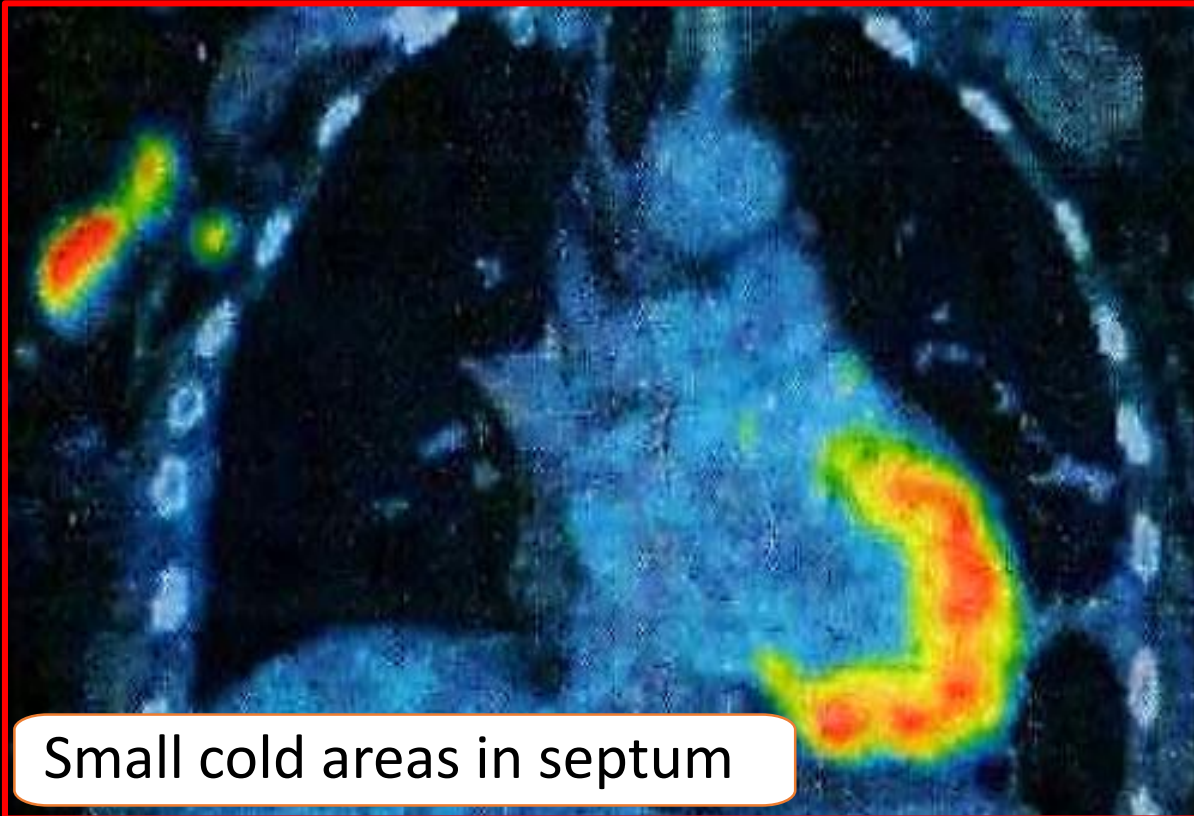
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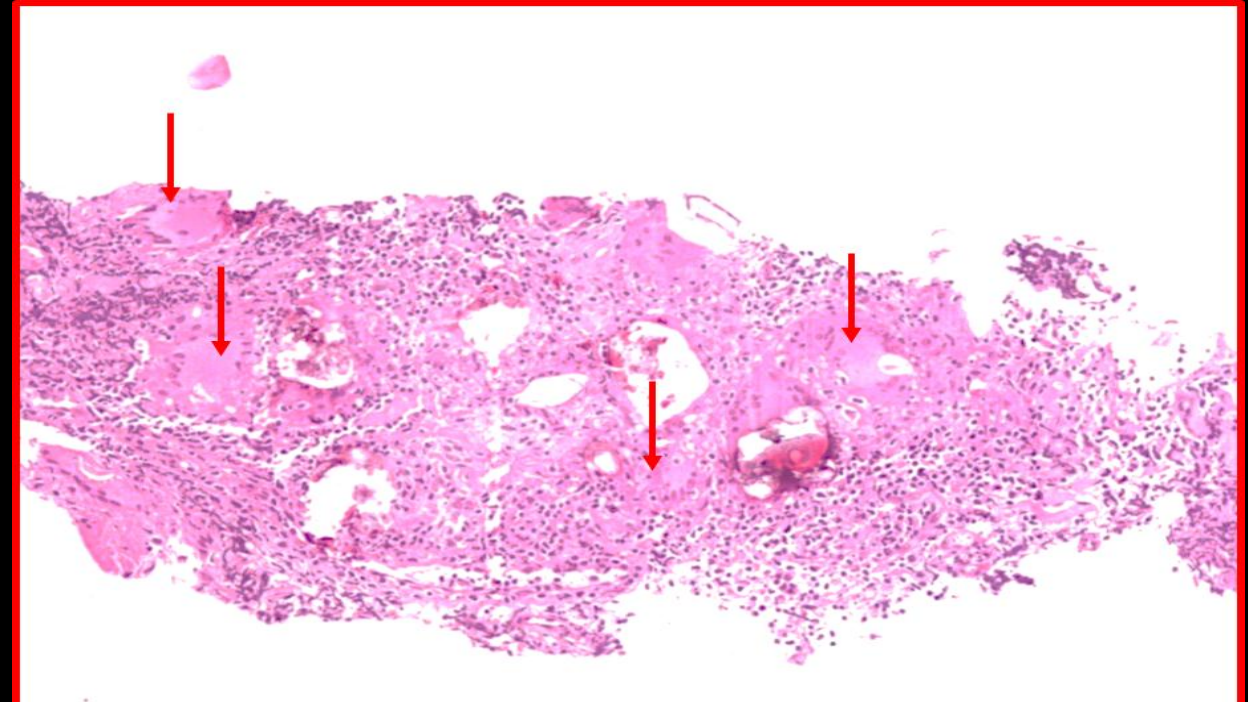
VT Recurs 30 hours post Stellate Ganglion Block



Patient undergoes PET CT & CT guided Lymph node biopsy



Small cold areas in septum



Multiple coalescing epithelioid cell granulomas

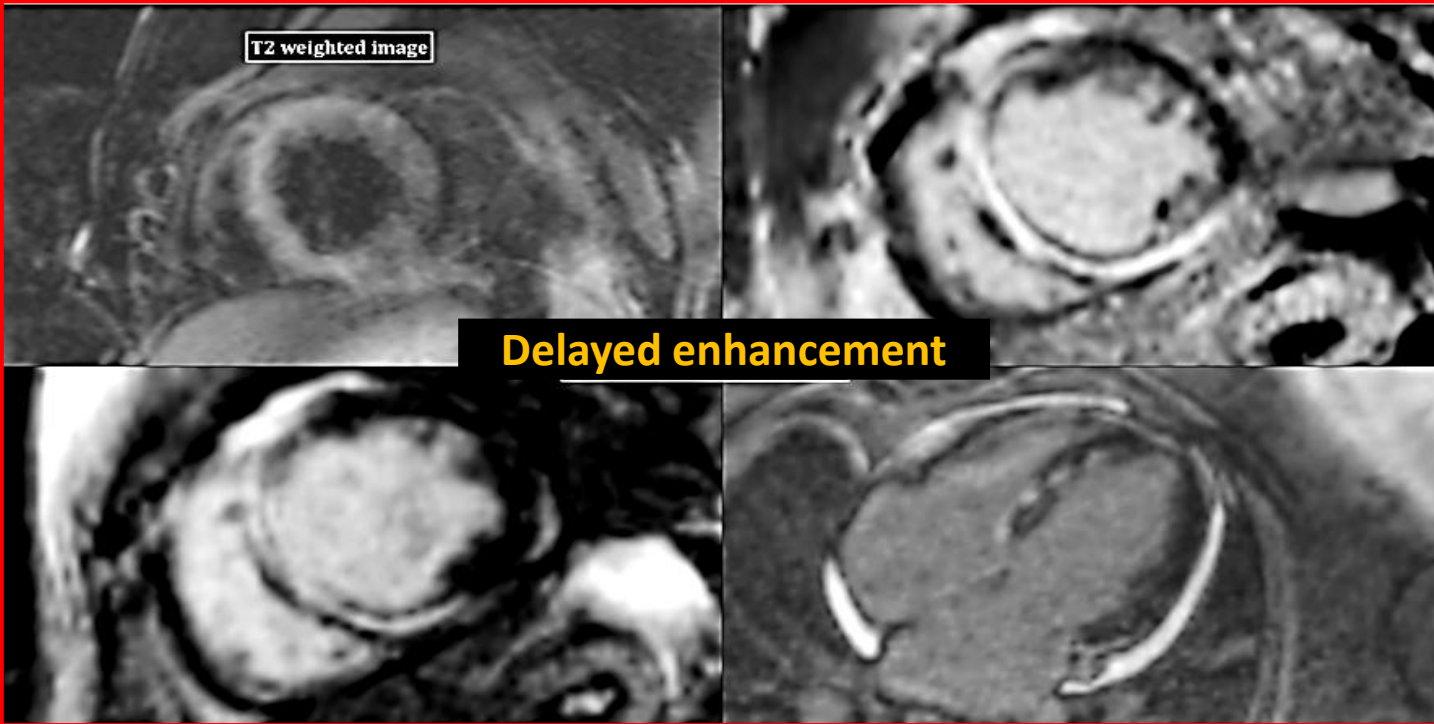
SPECIMEN: Right axillary node

ZIEHL NEELSEN STAIN (DIRECT & CONCENTRATED) : NO ACID FAST BACILLI SEEN.

AURAMINE O STAIN (DIRECT & CONCENTRATED) : NO ACID FAST BACILLI SEEN.

Real time PCR : Negative

Cardiac MRI



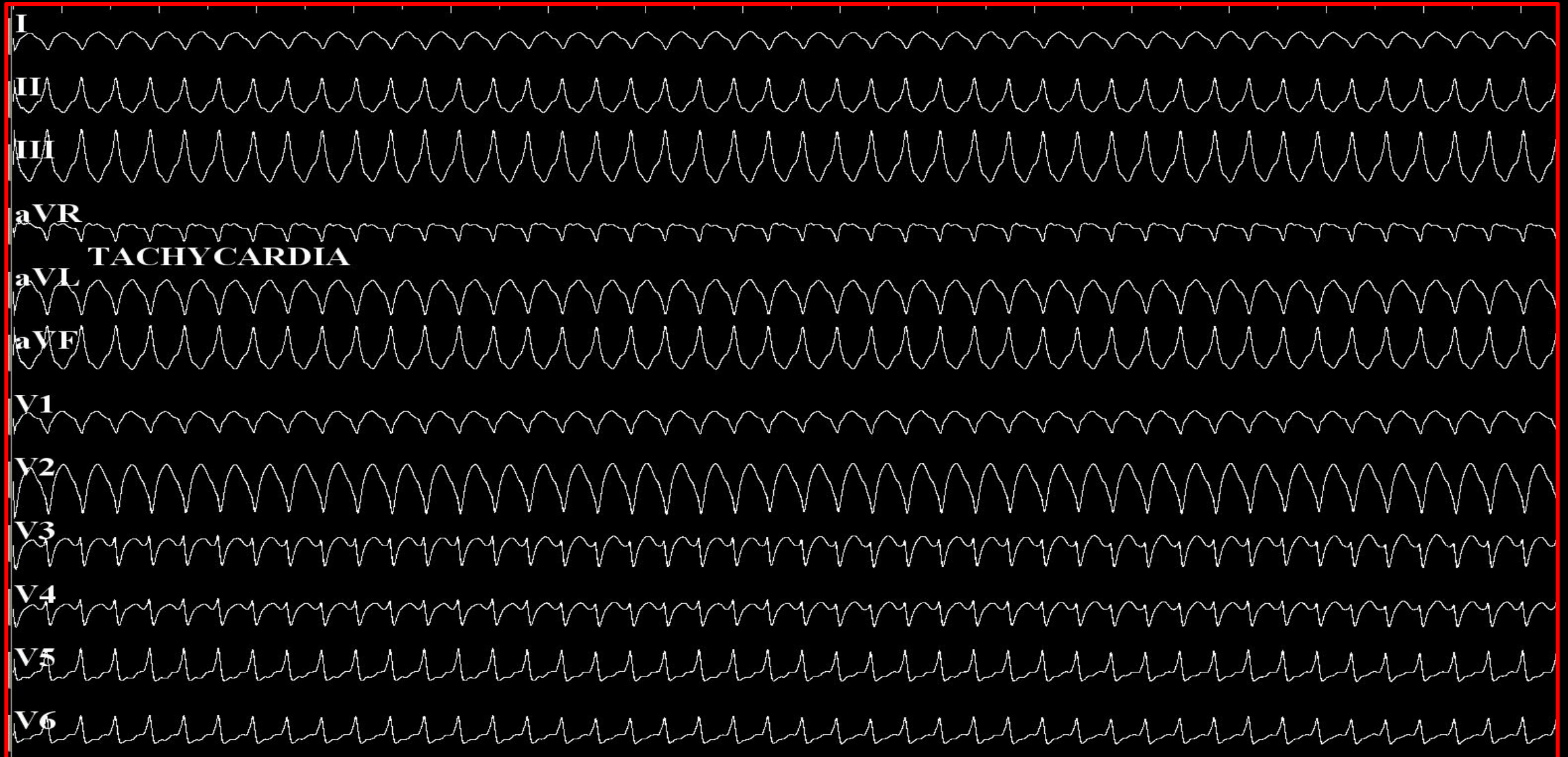
Diagnosis: Sarcoidosis

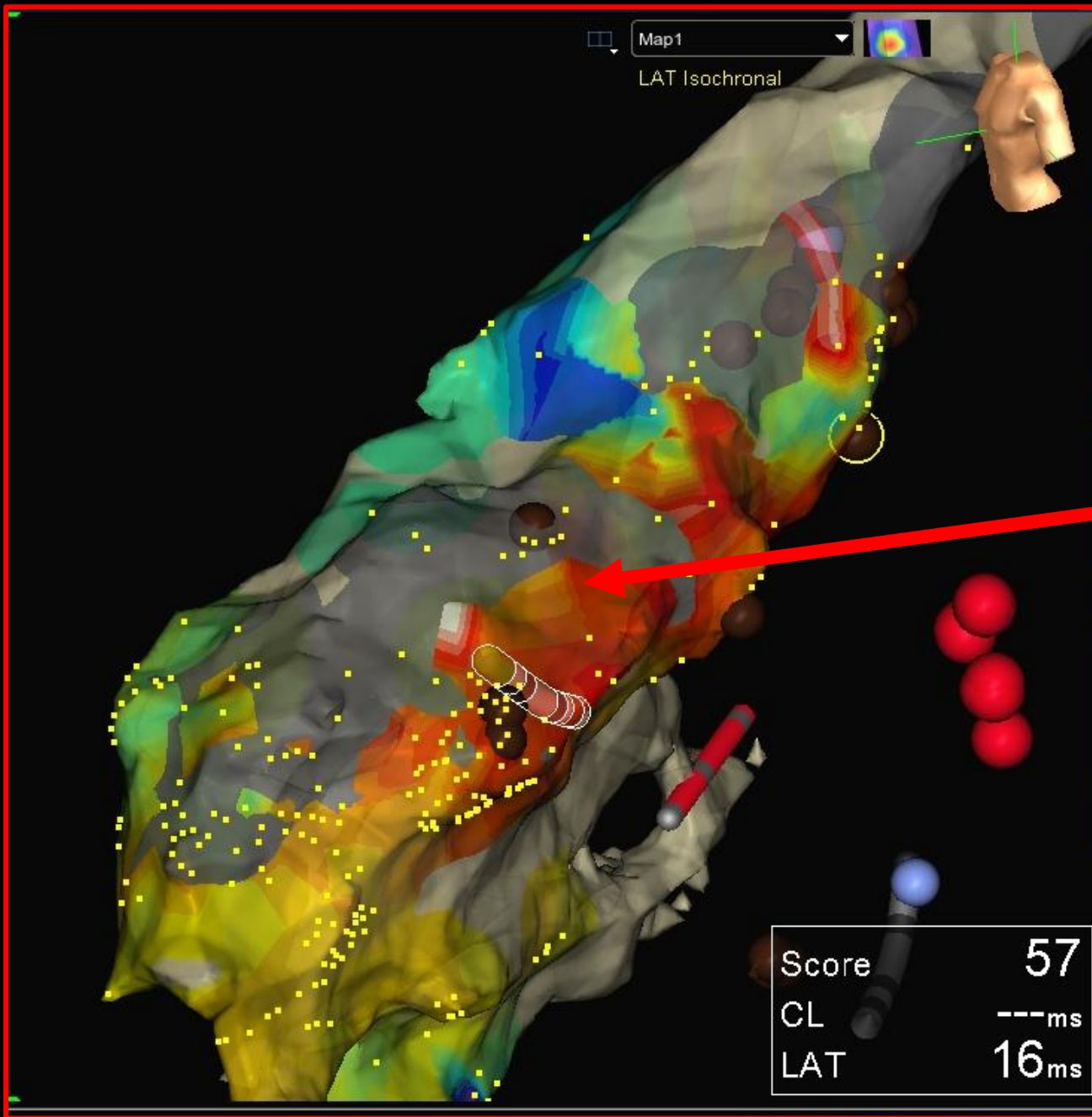
Plan: Steroids +/- RFA

Conclusions:

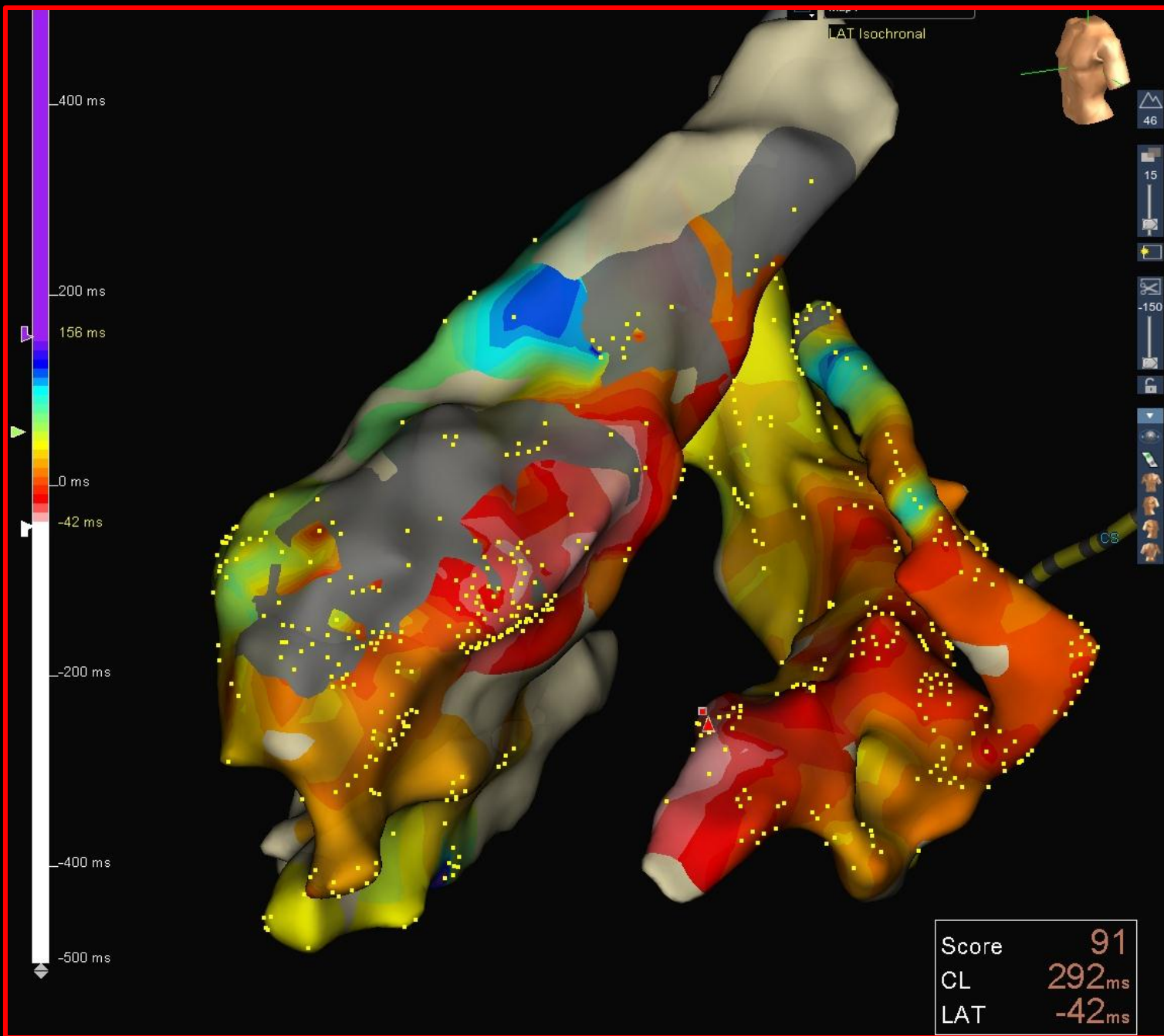
1. Structurally normal heart.
2. Significant LV dilatation with systolic dysfunction.
3. Interventricular septal hypokinesia with myocardial edema.
4. Delayed enhancement of the IVS of the mid wall to nearly transmural in extent
5. The features are consistent with inflammatory process like sarcoidosis etc.

Easily Inducible, Different Morphology





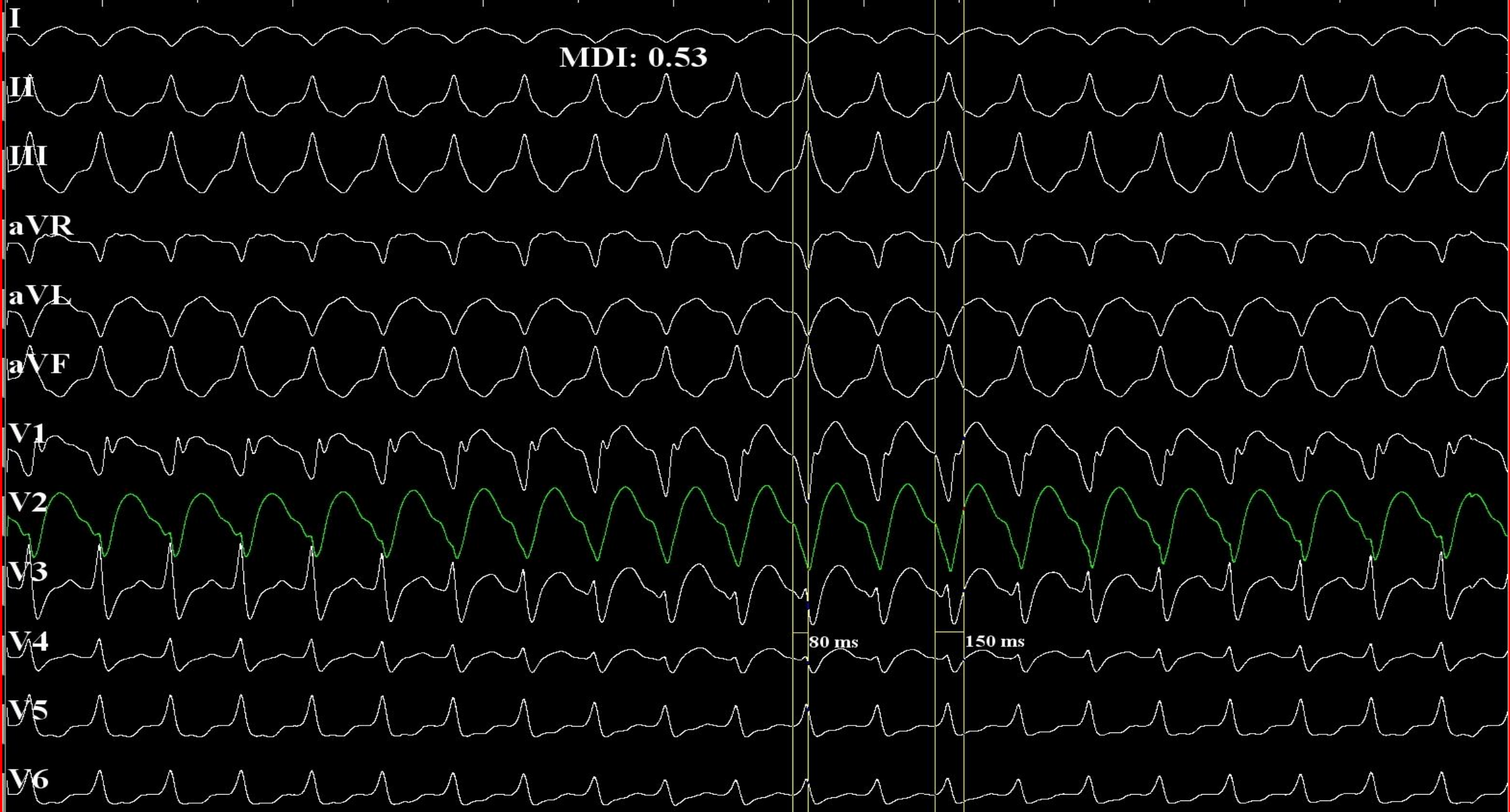
Scar noted in RVOT
basal septum



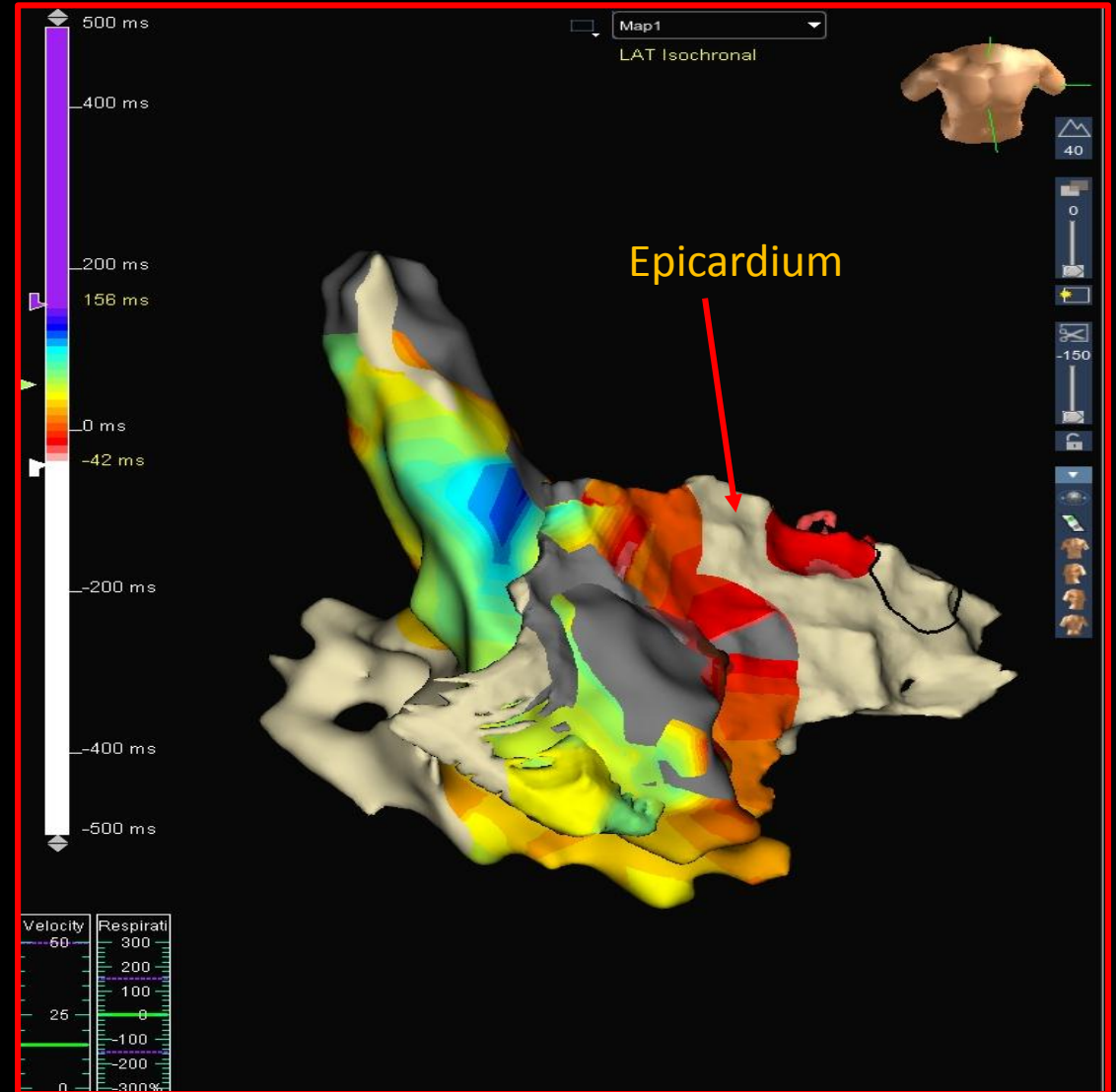
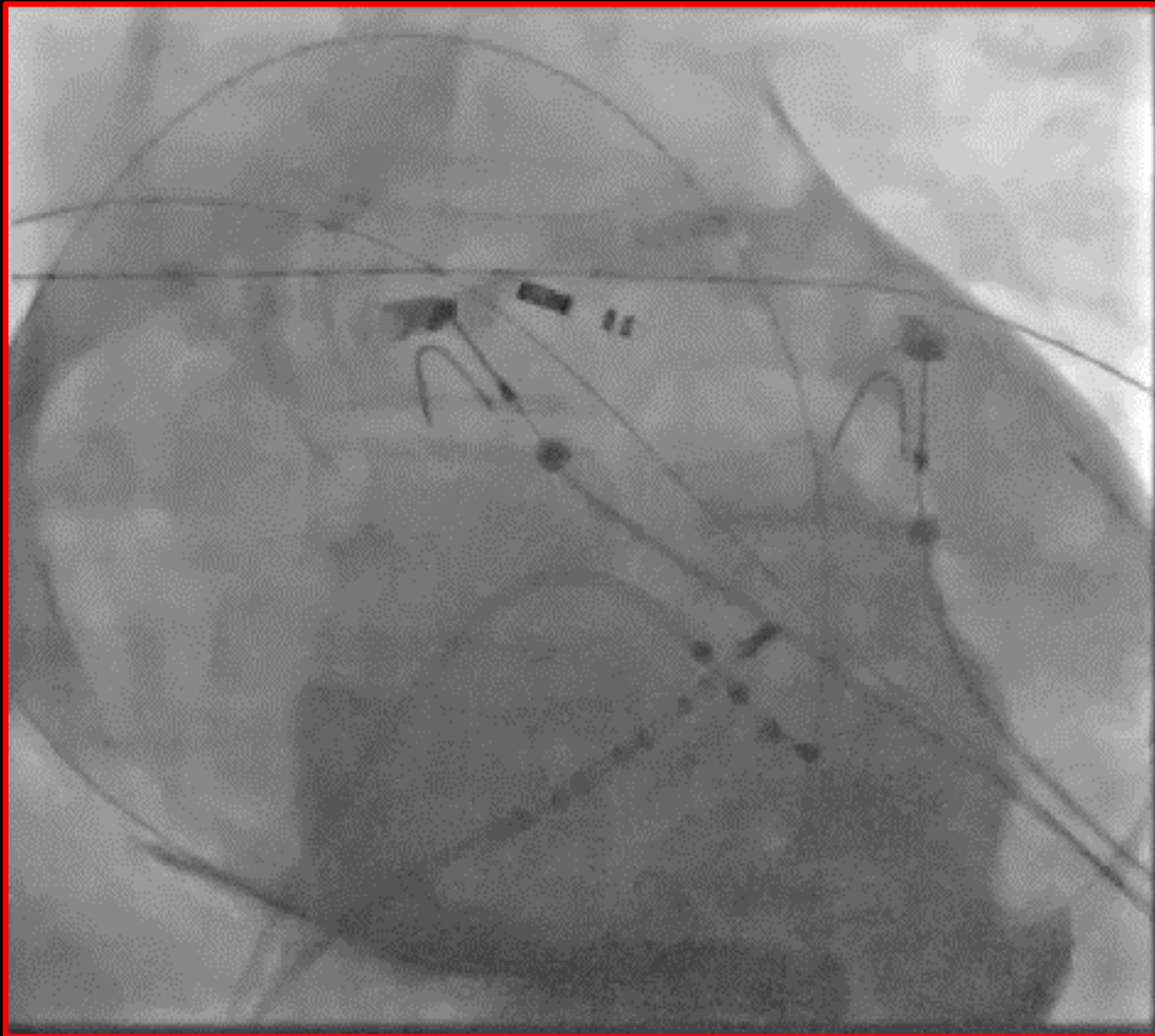
LV WAS MAPPED

- NO SCAR POTENTIALS
- ENTRAINMENT MAPPING NOT SATISFACTORY

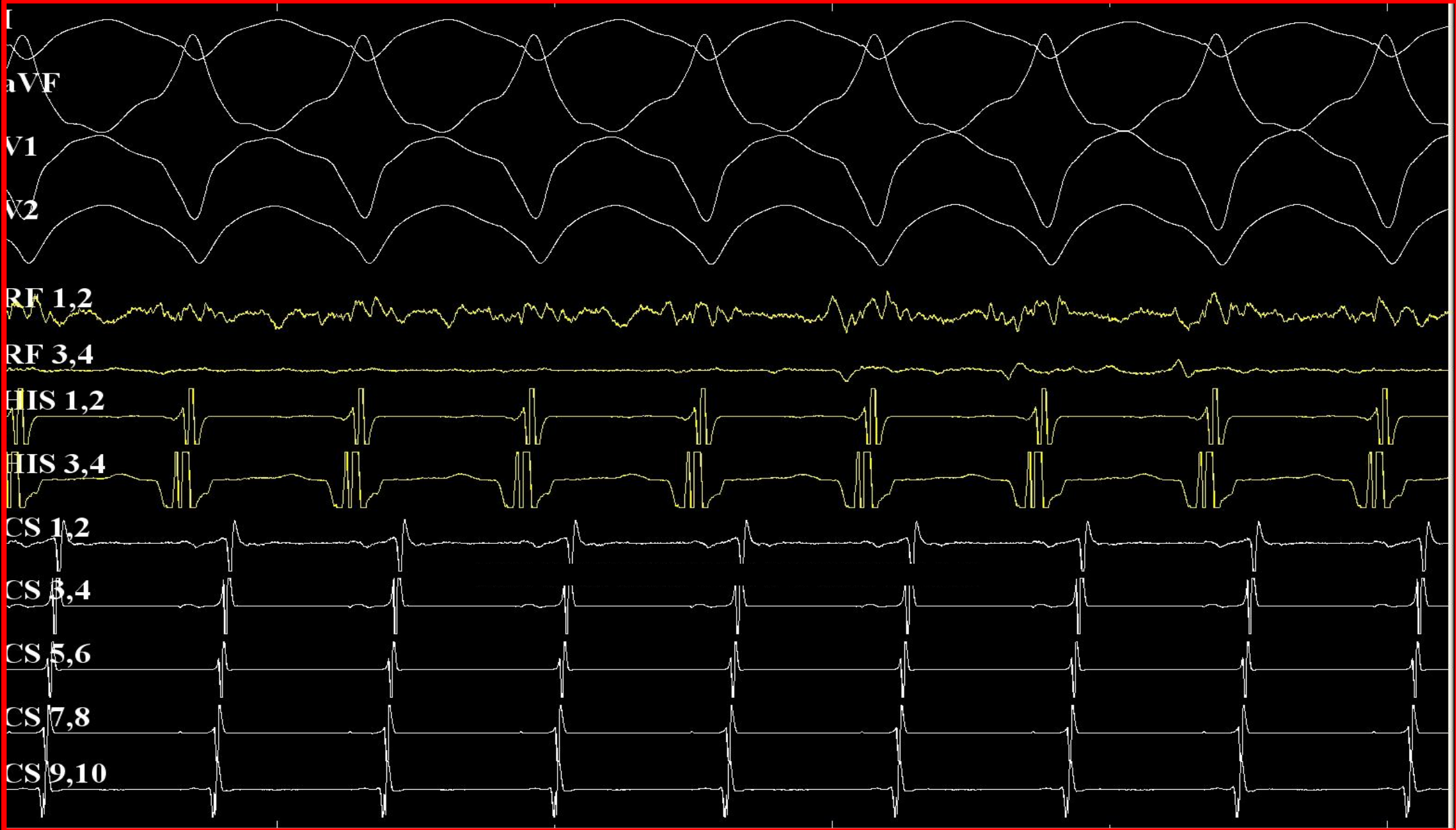
MDI: 0.53



Epicardial mapping



Epicardial continuous potential

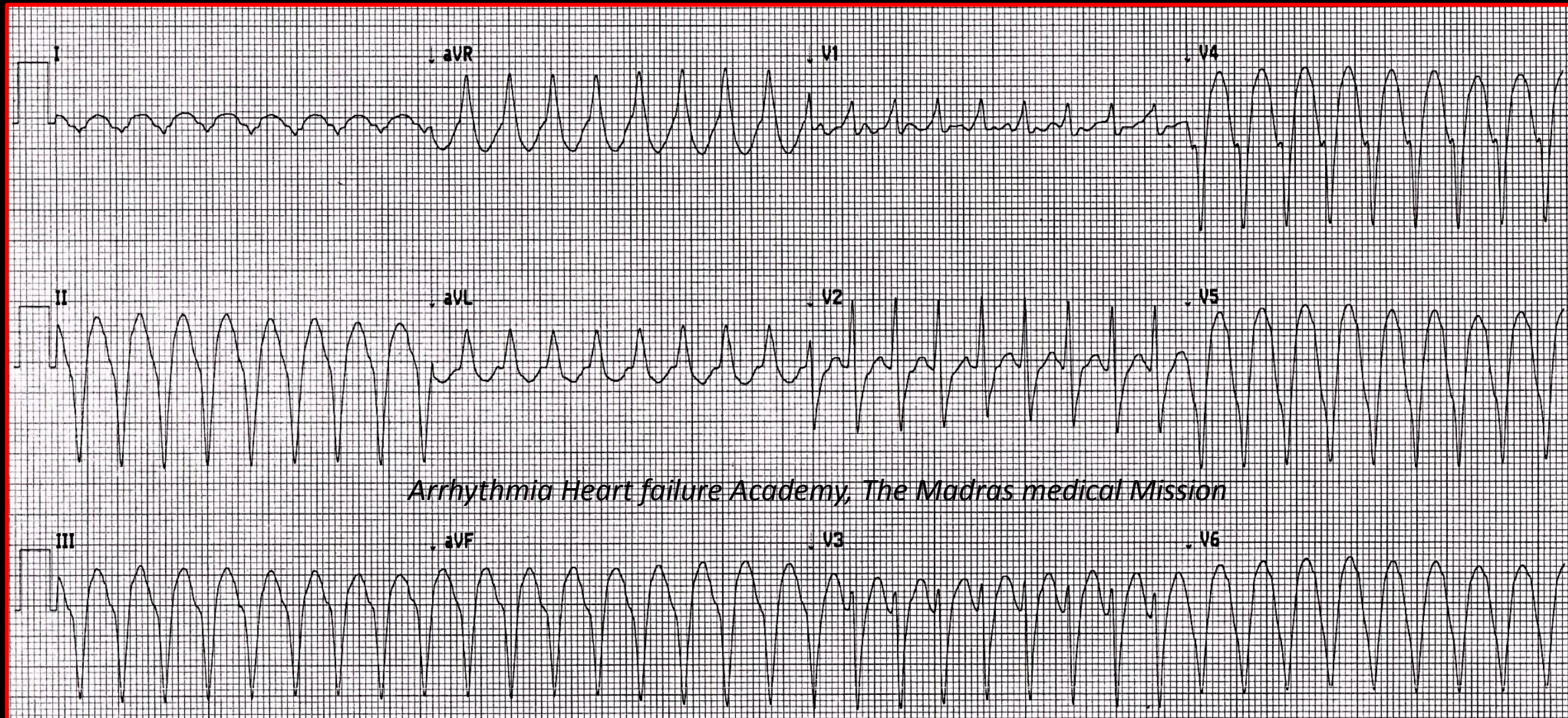


SARCOIDOSIS

PET CT + MRI + Biopsy +
Advance 3D Electroanatomical mapping

CASE 4

52Y, F, DCM, Severe LV dysfunction, Monomorphic VT,



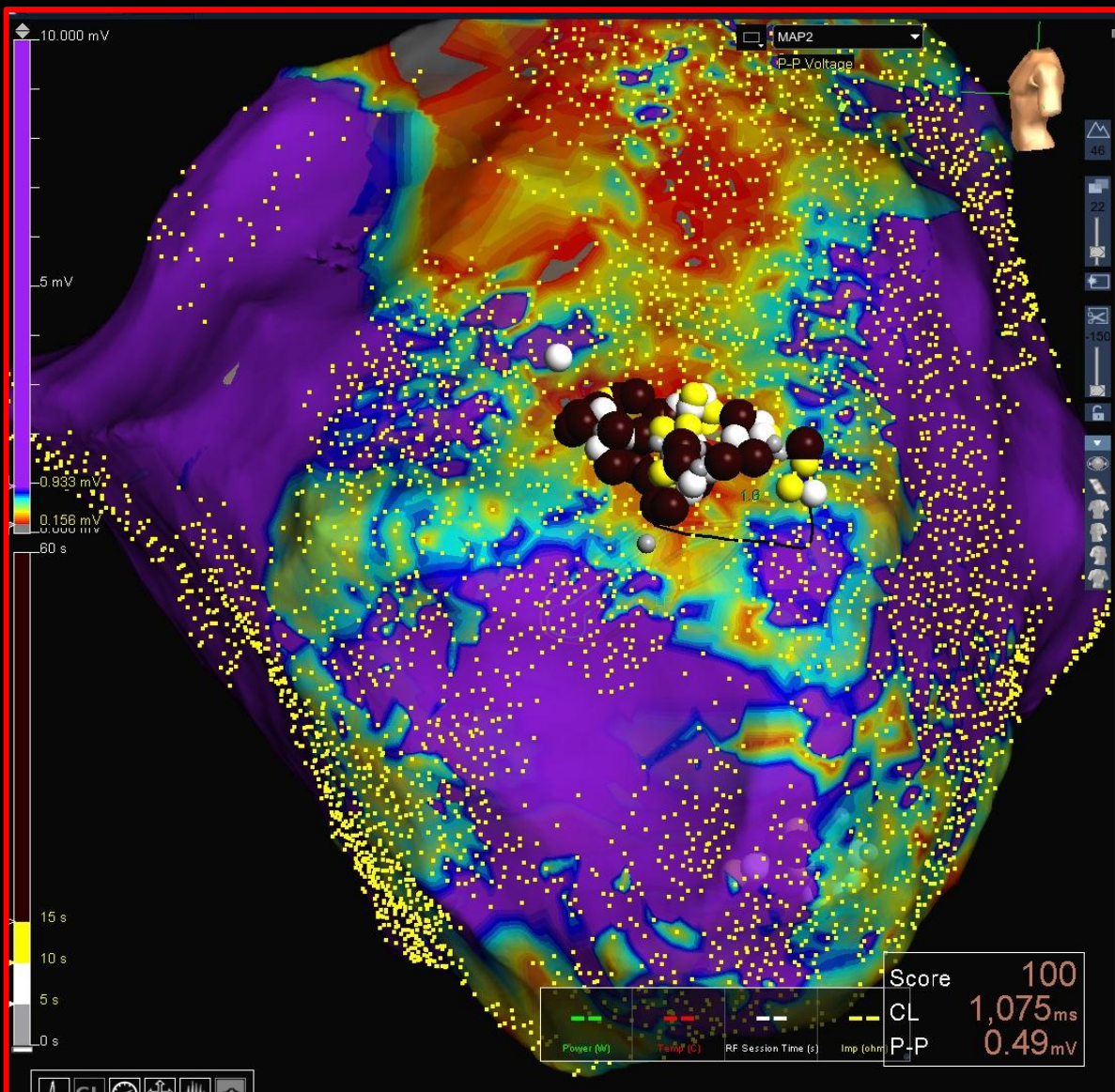
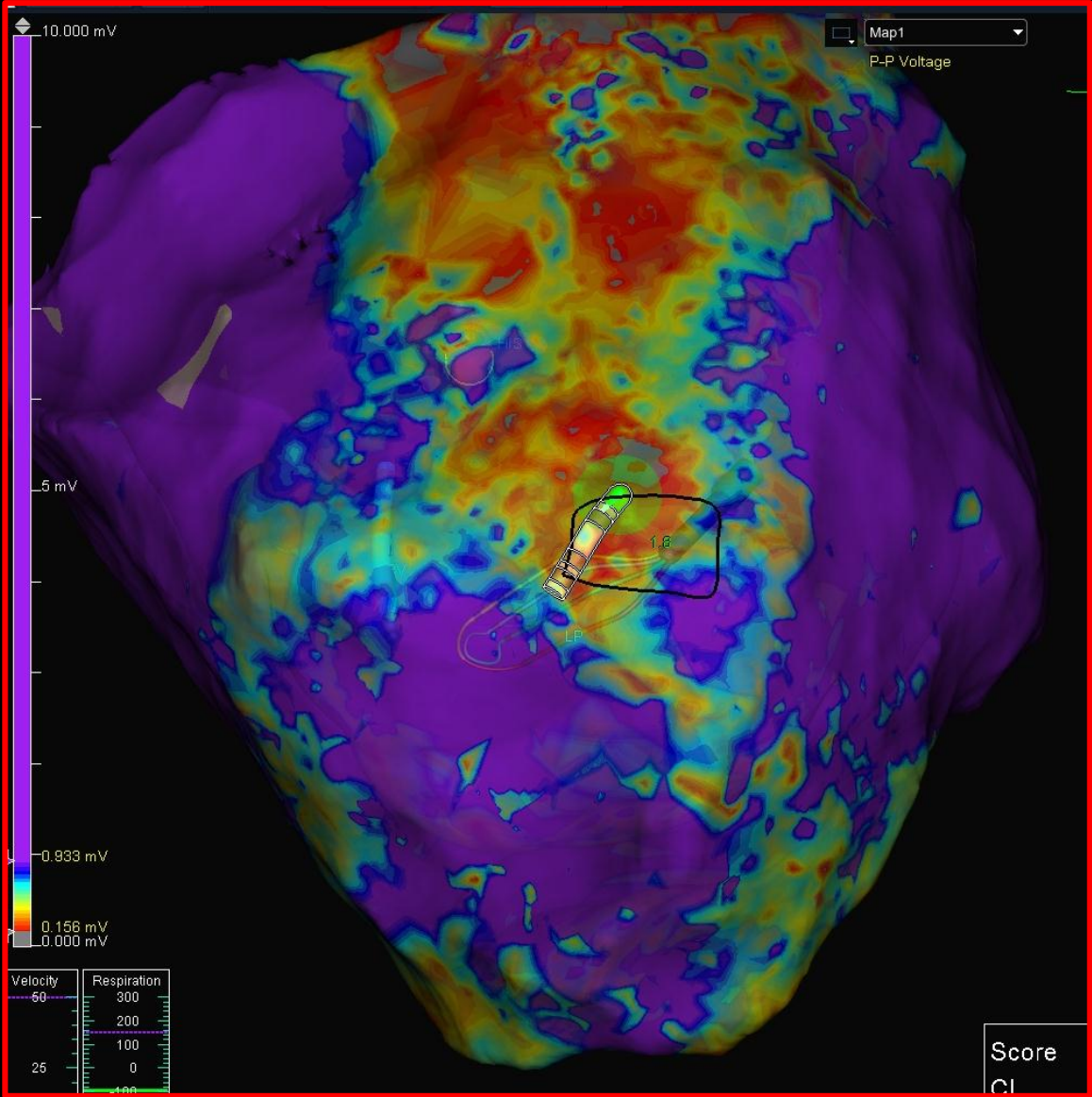
Cardiac MRI



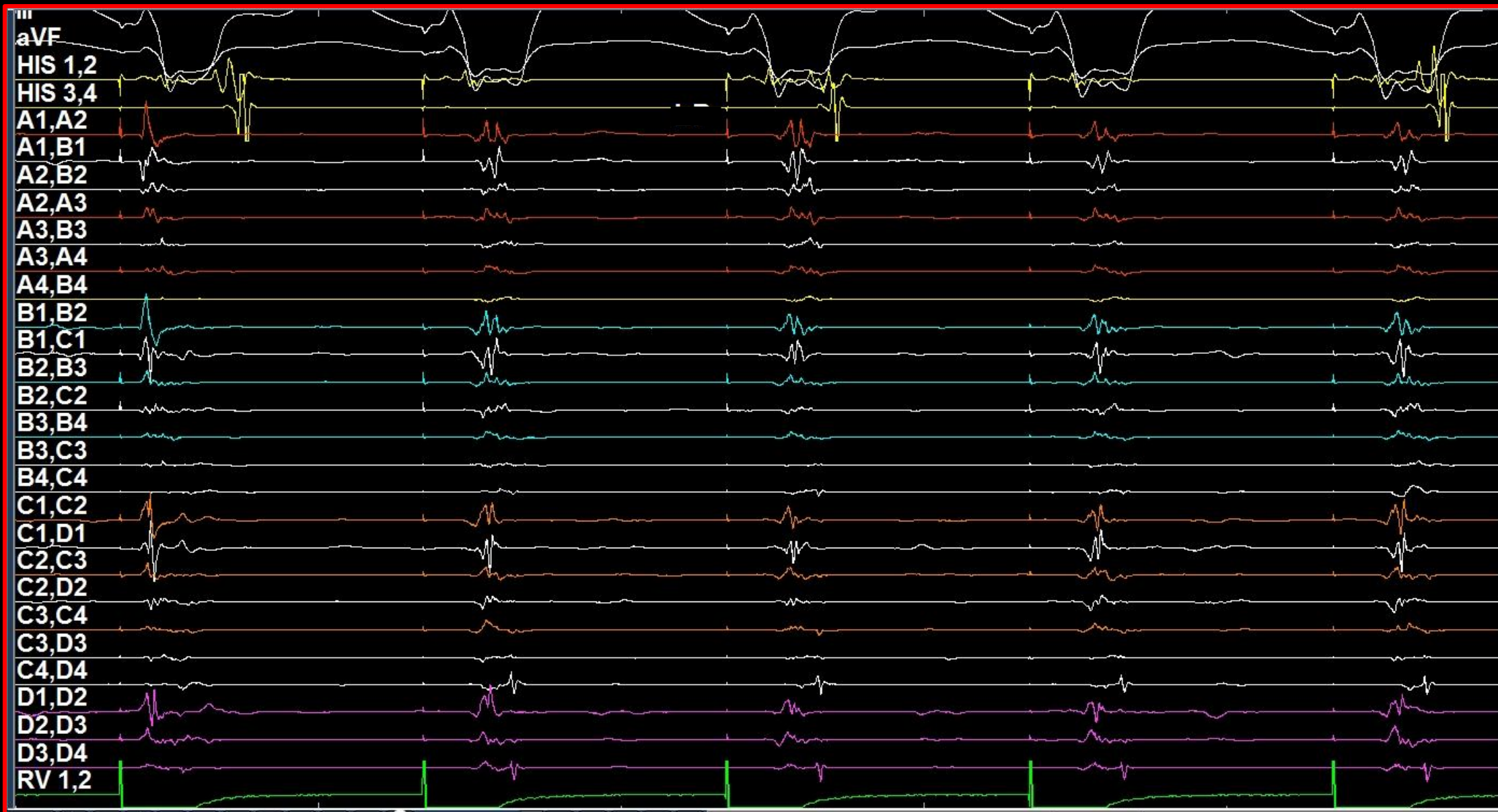
Conclusions:

1. Structurally normal heart.
2. Biventricular systolic dysfunction LV > RV (LVEF=30%, RVEF=45%).
3. Mid myocardial and sub-epicardial delayed enhancement of the IVS and apex. Significant LA wall fibrosis.
4. Significant LA/RA dilatation with atrial fibrillation.
5. These features suggest an inflammatory process probably a myocarditis and its sequale.
6. Chronic myocardial inflammatory process like sarcoidosis should also be considered.
7. LA appendage thrombus.

Voltage map

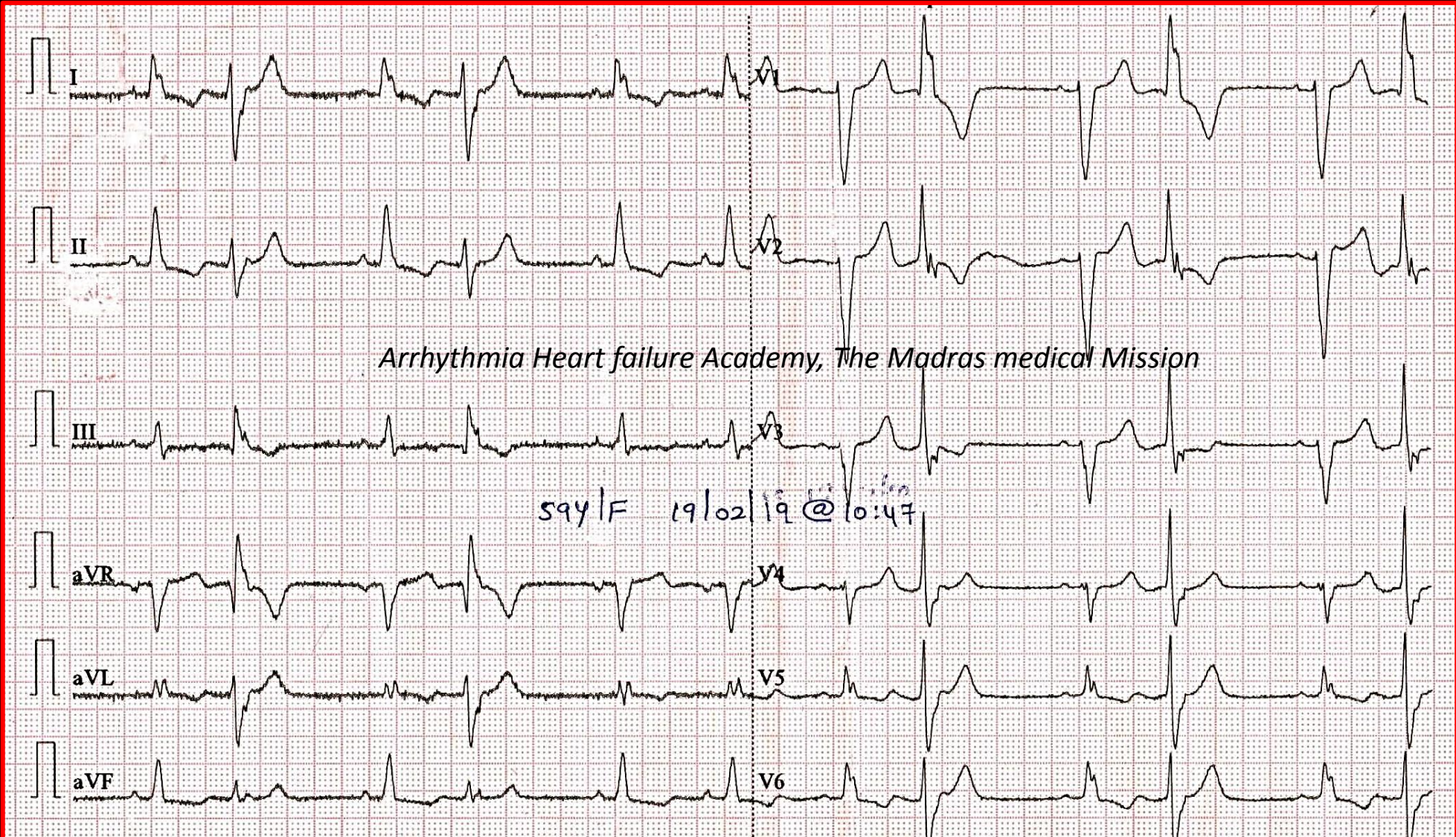


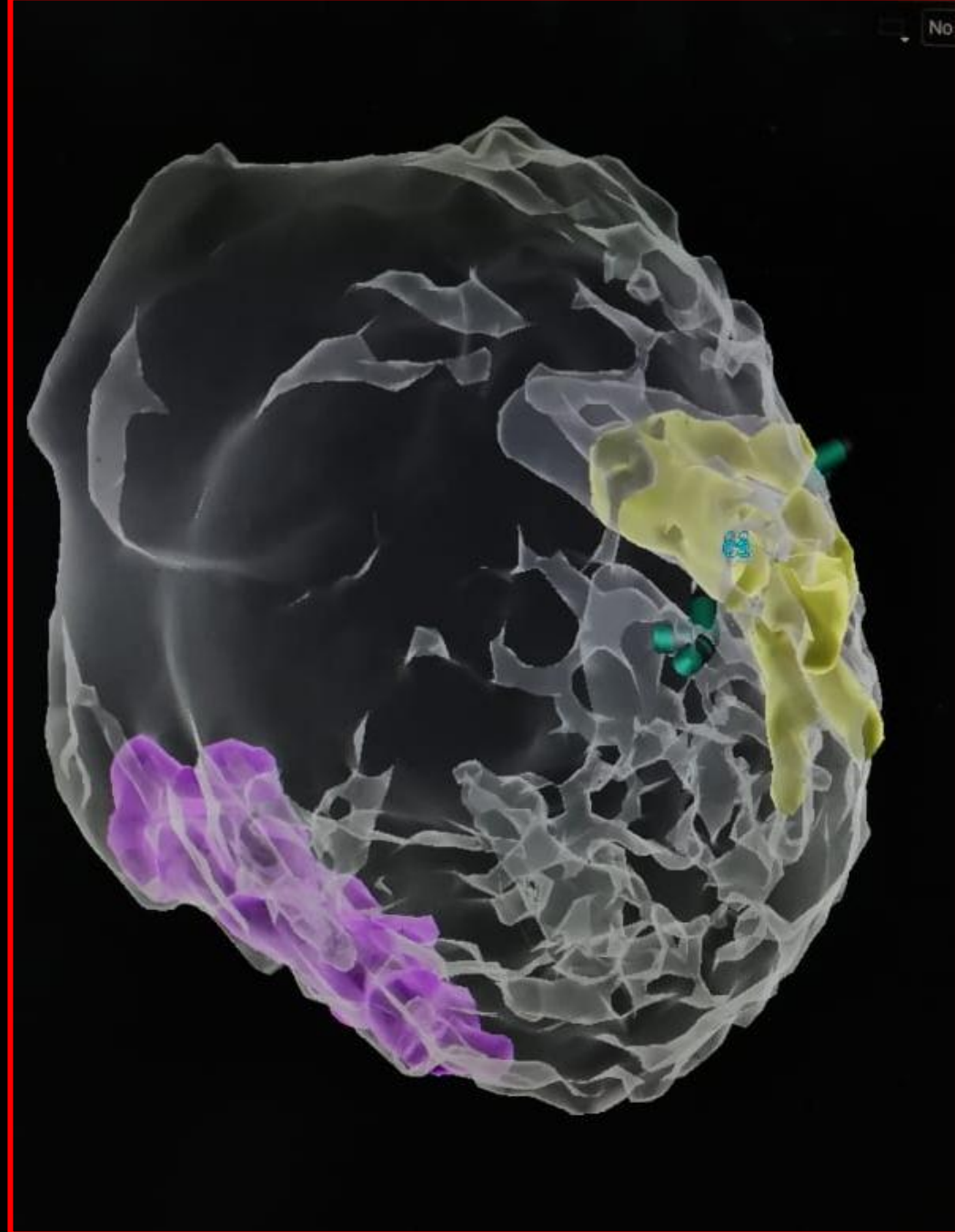
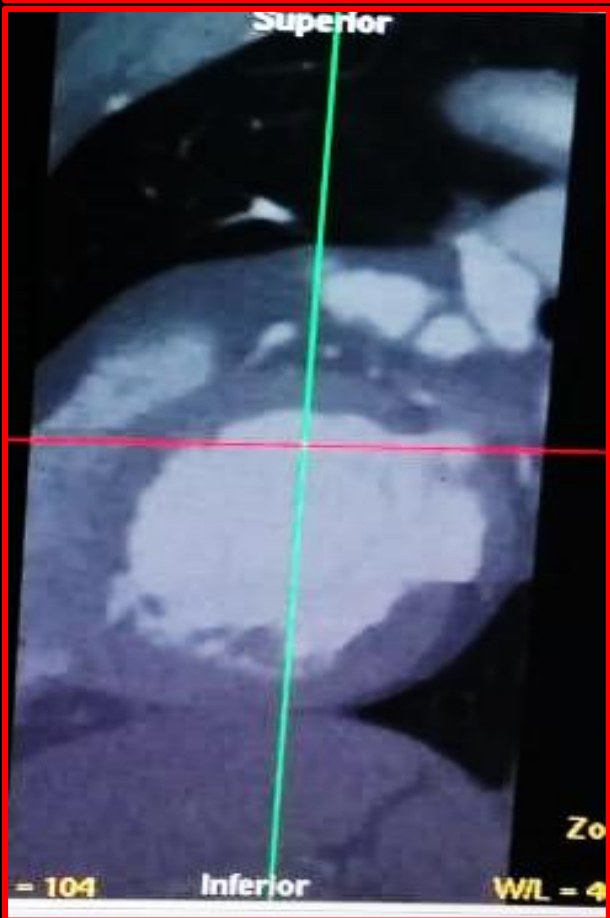
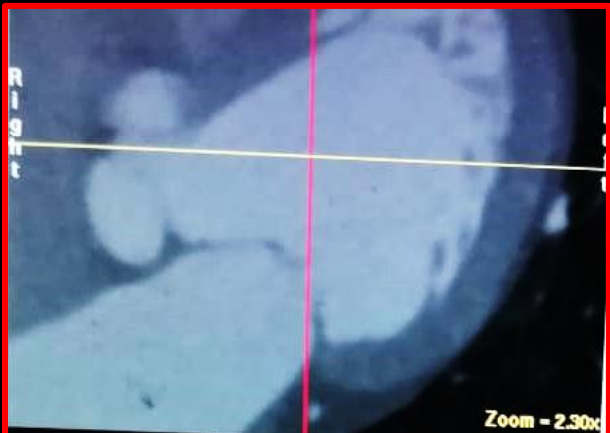
Fractionated potential during RV pacing



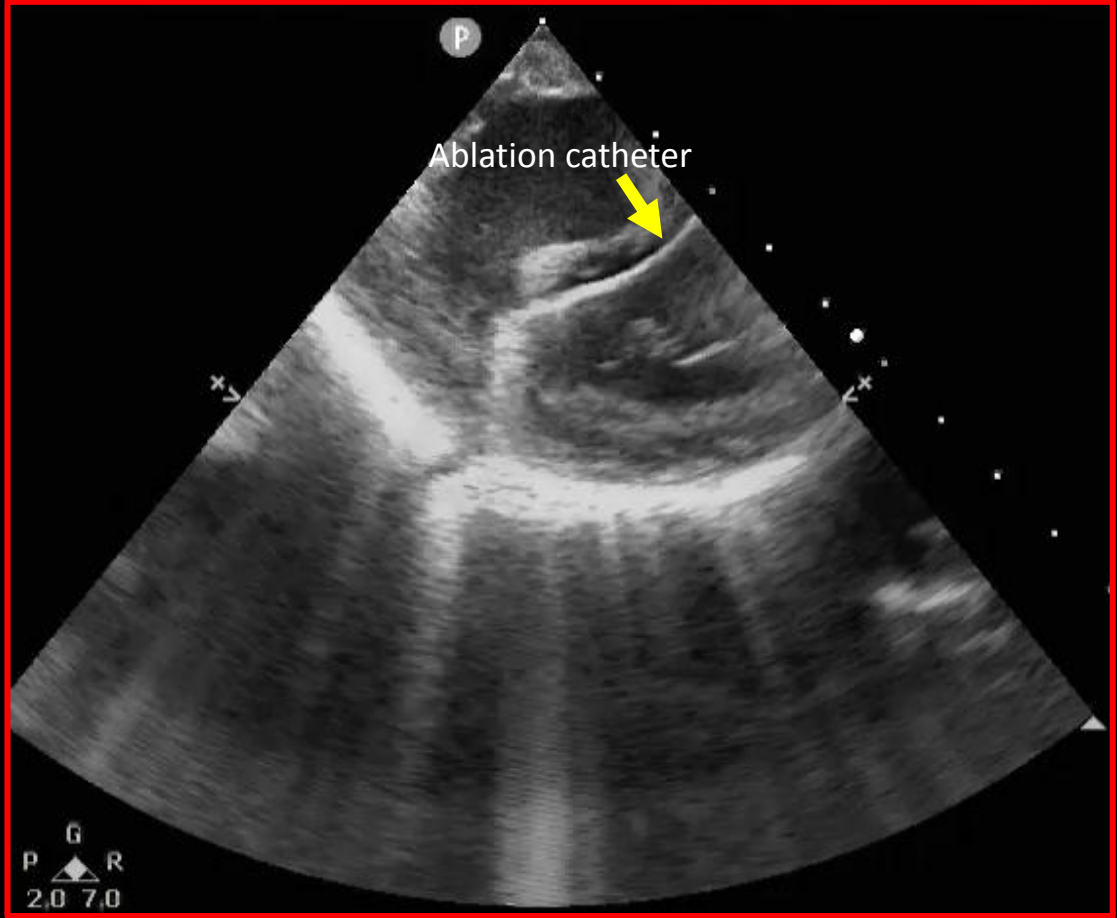
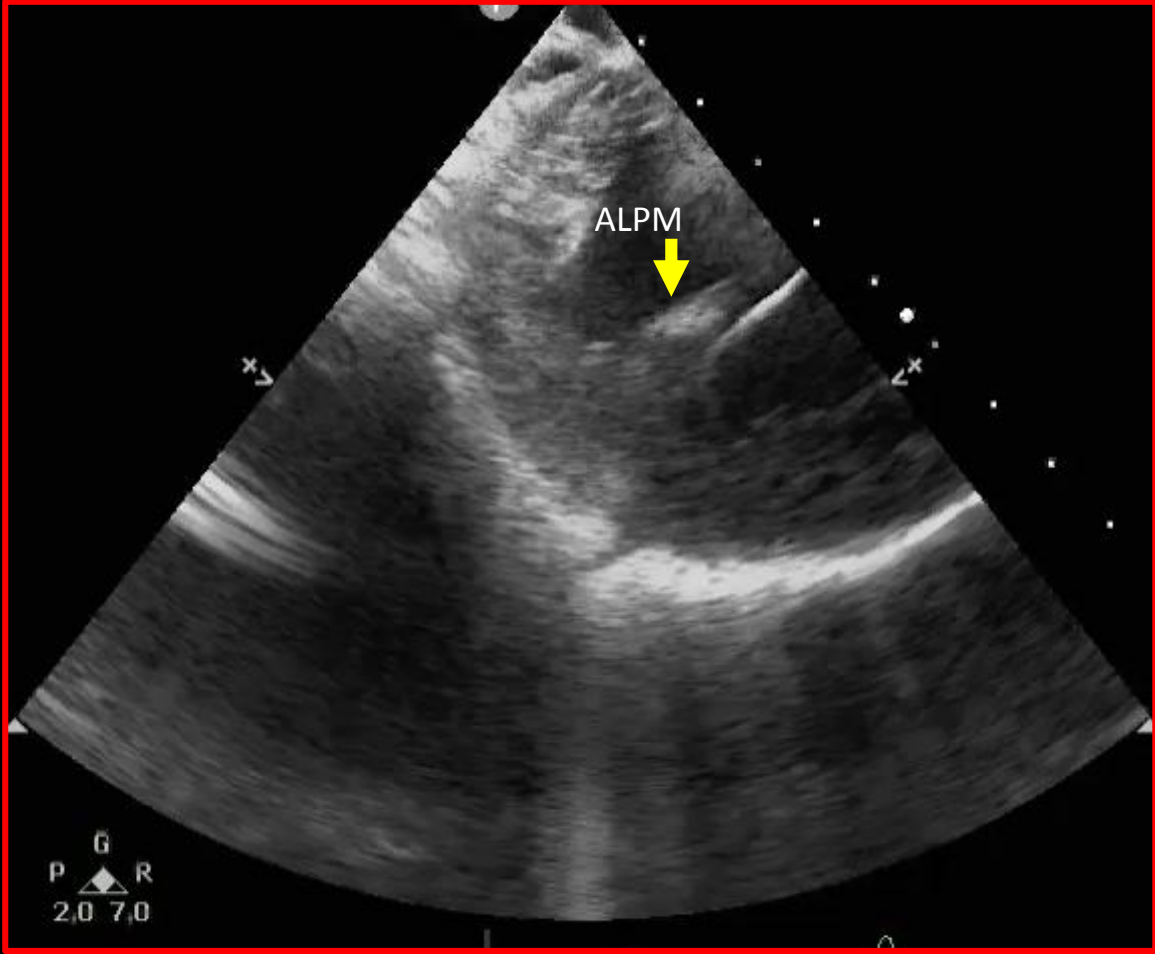
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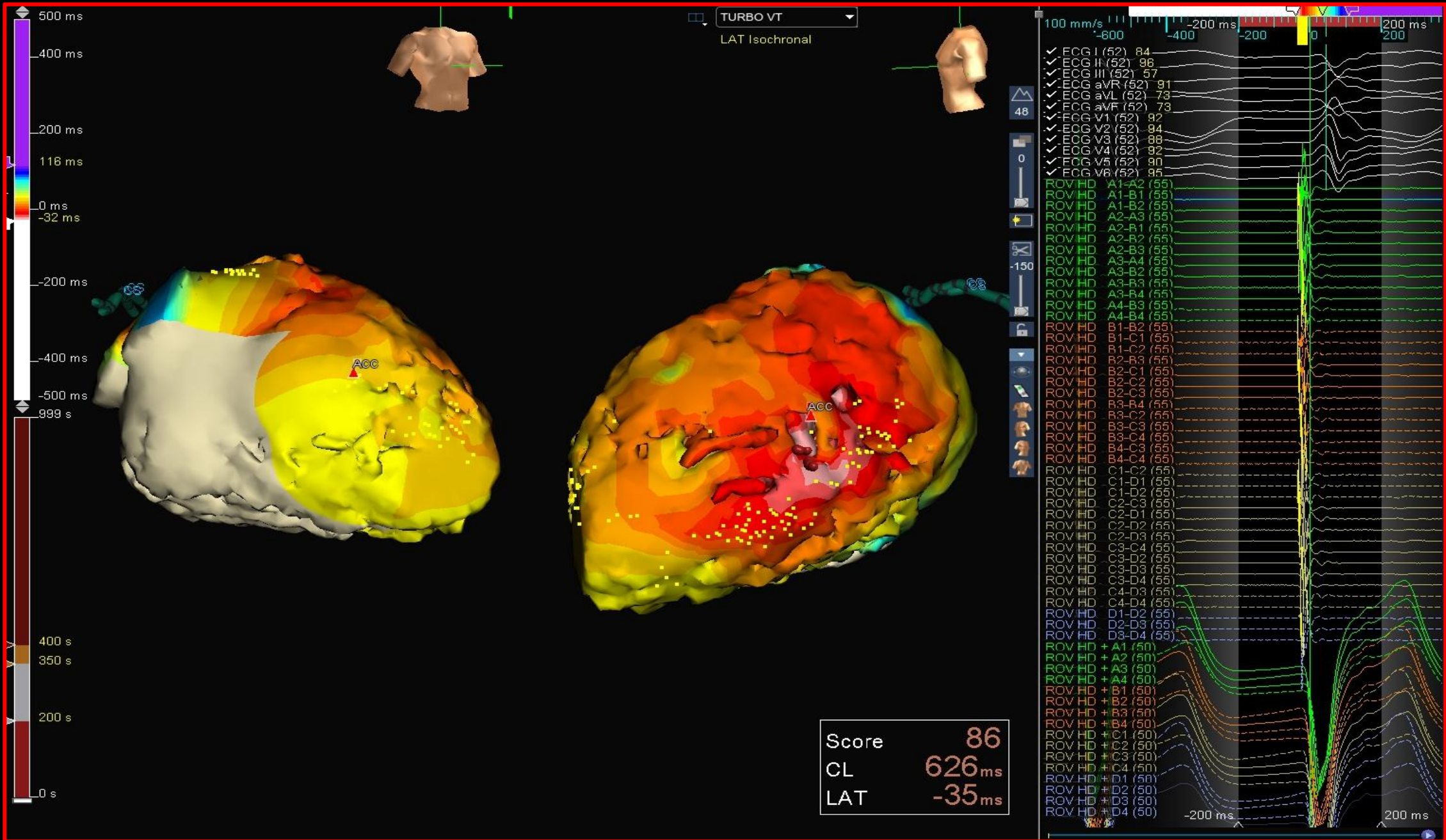
59Y, F, C/O Palpitation, Moderate LV dysfunction

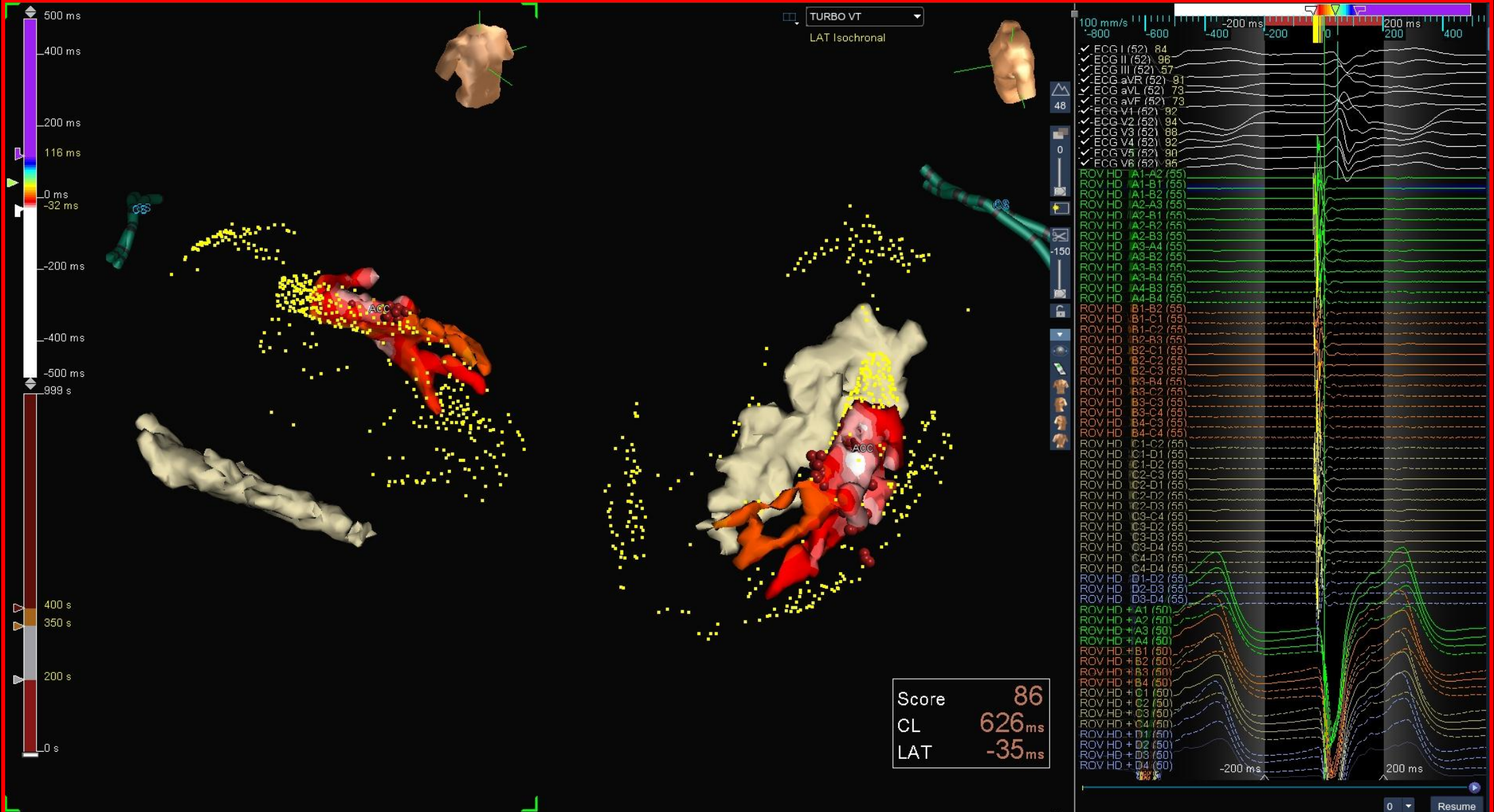




ICE



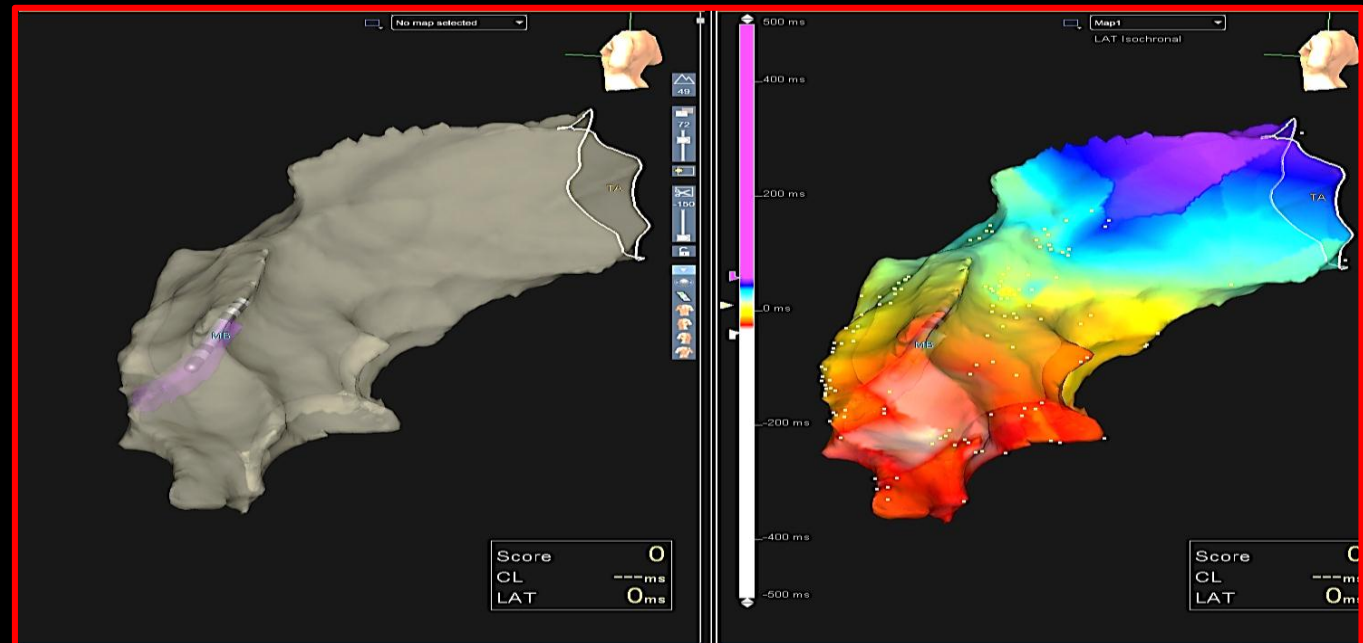
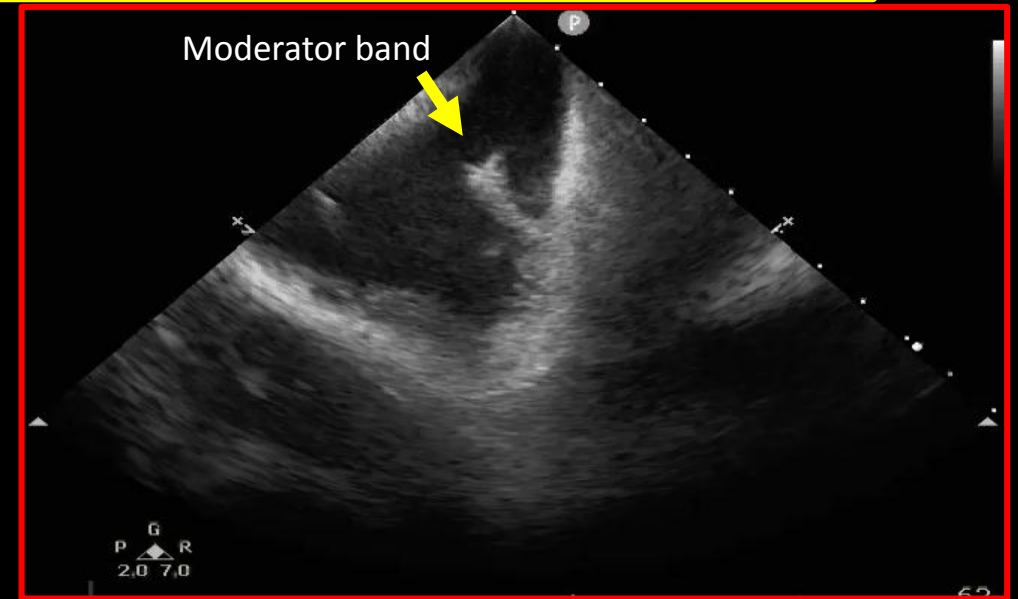
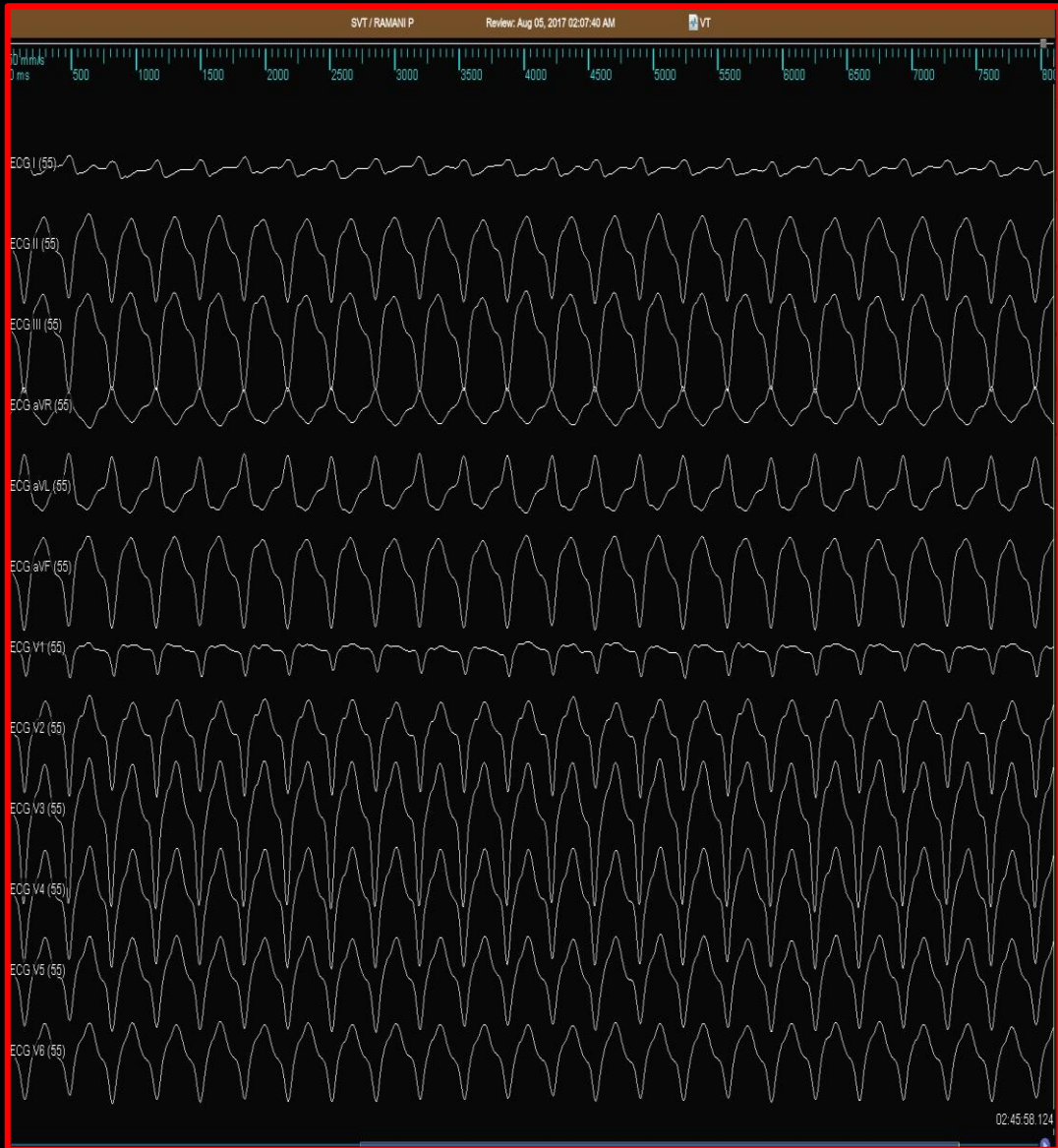




Score 86
 CL 626ms
 LAT -35ms

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- ✓ ECG II (52) 96
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50Y, F, C/O Palpitation, Good biventricular function



Imaging protocols at MMM:

LGE-CMRI

PET-CT Scan

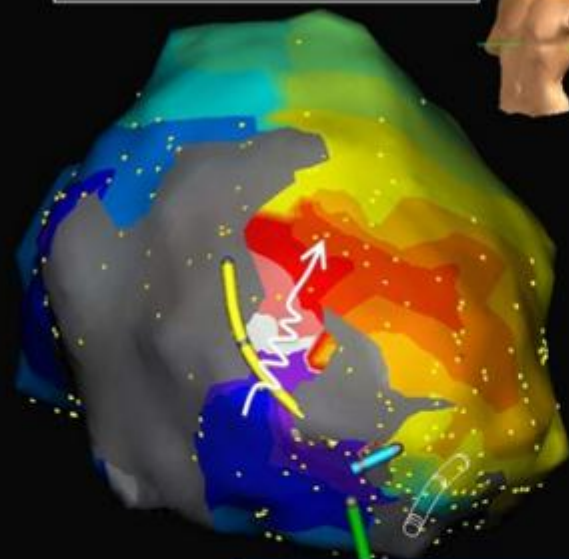
ICE

Integration : CT and 3-D EAM

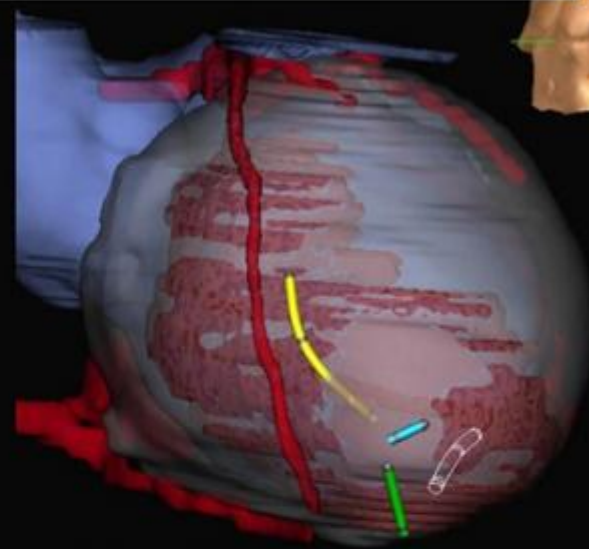
Recently:

Integration of MRI and 3-D EAM

VT Isochronal Map



Red: wall thinning / CT scar



EGMs at slow conducting isthmus within CT-scar





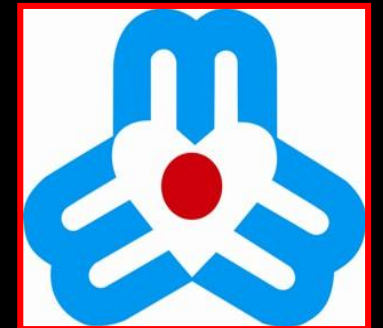
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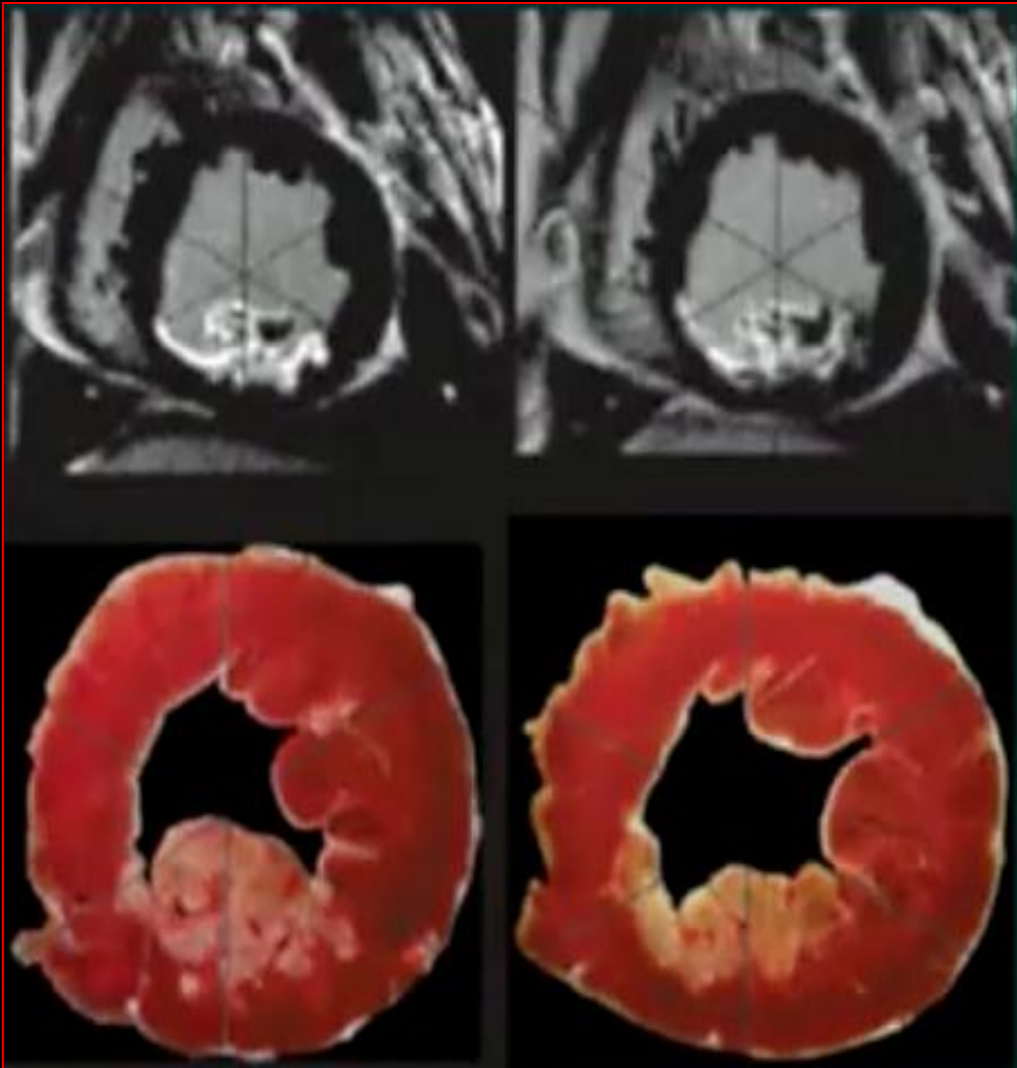
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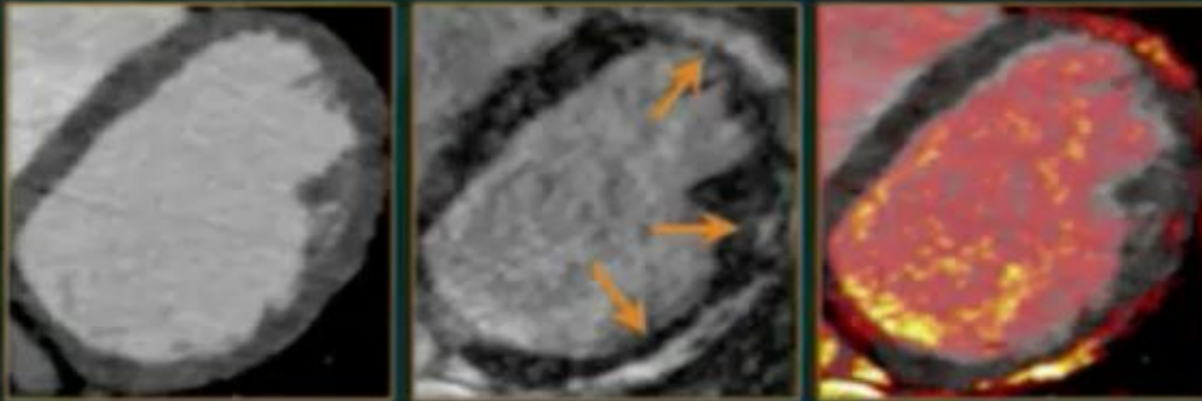


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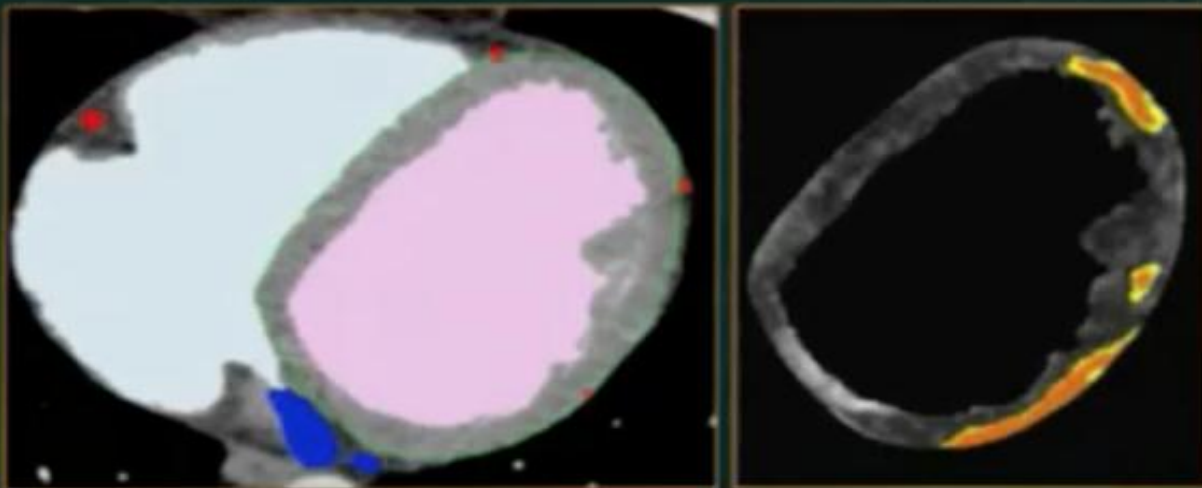


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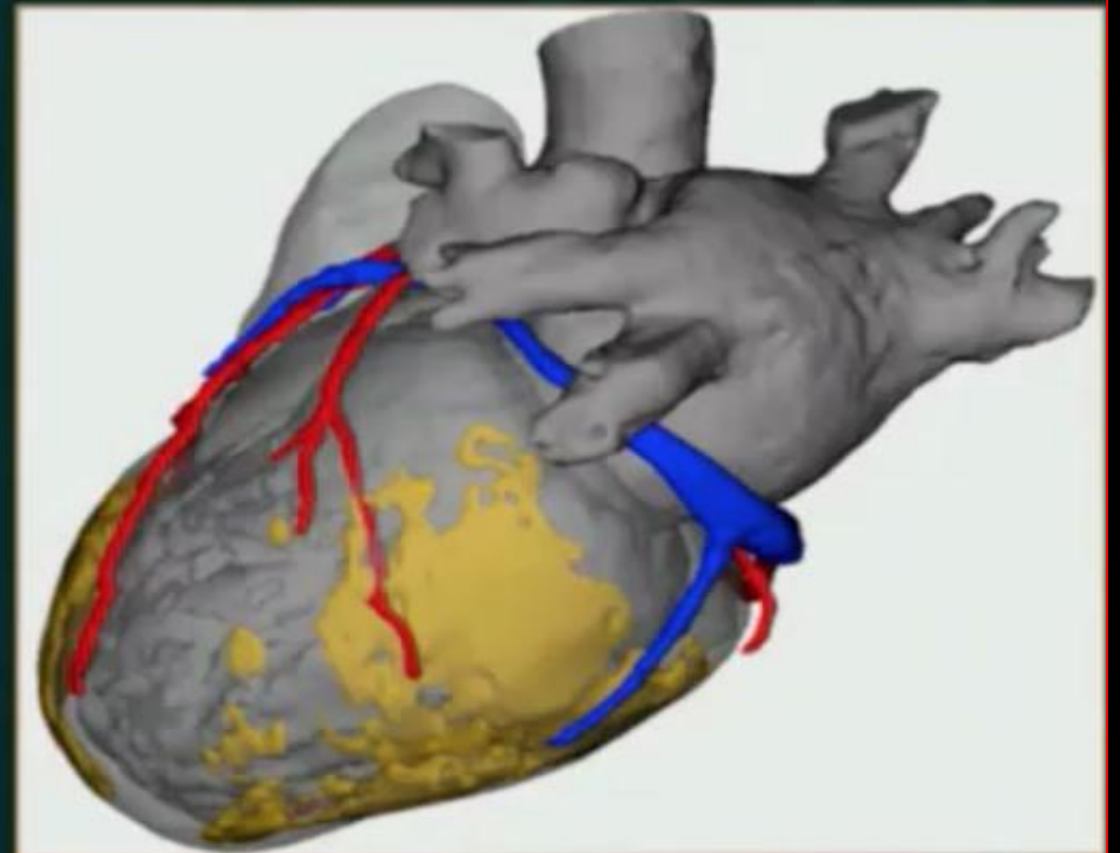
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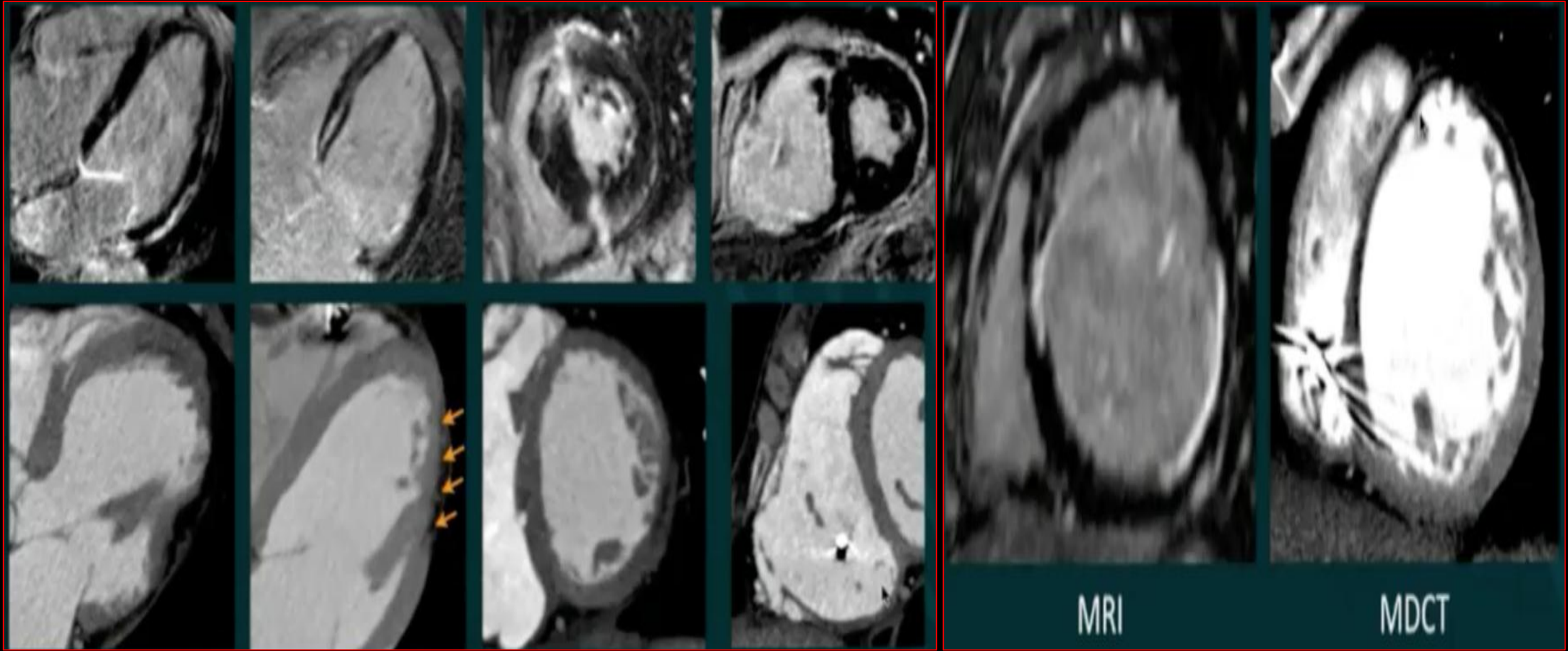
SEGMENTATION



MODELING



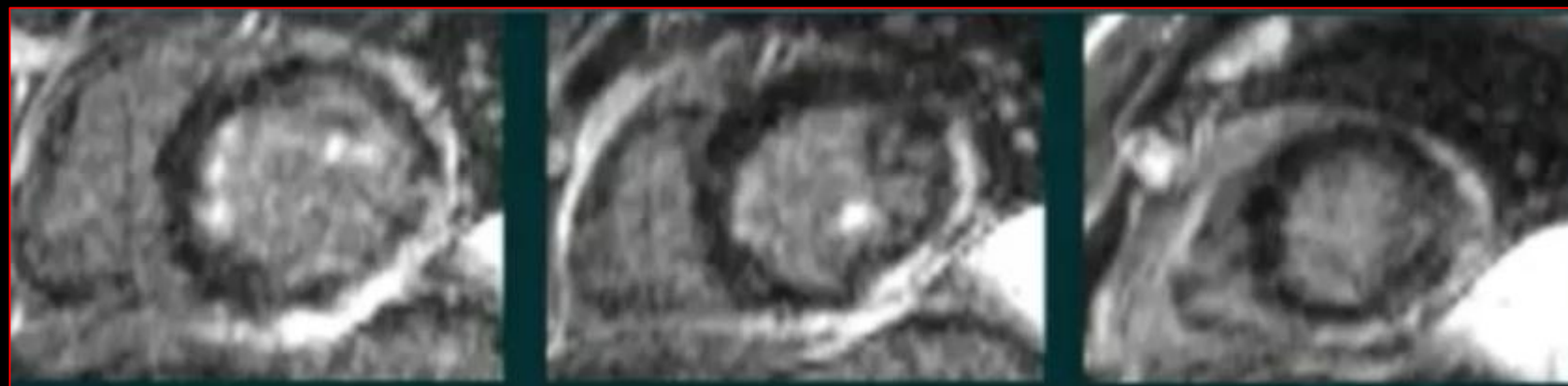
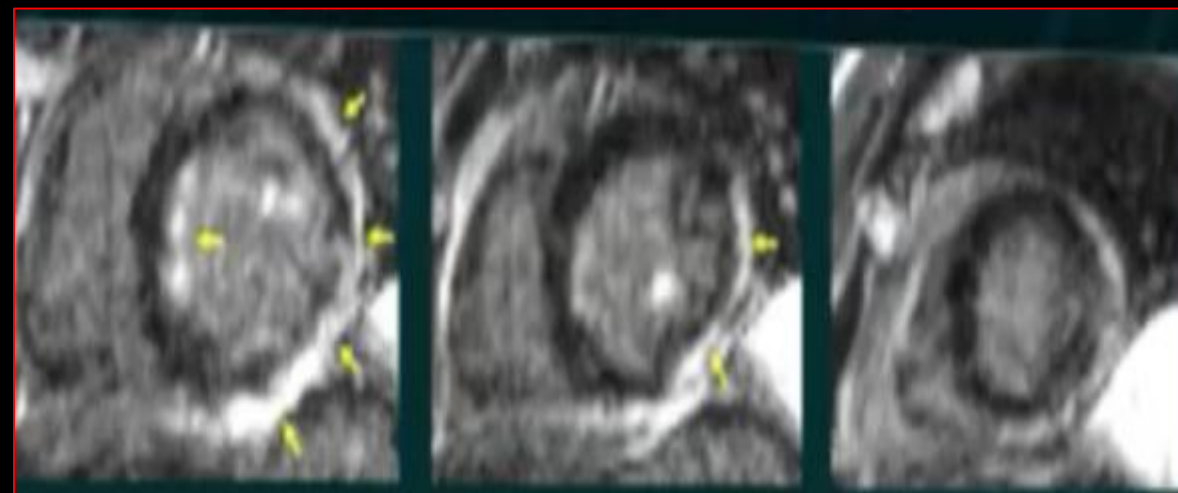
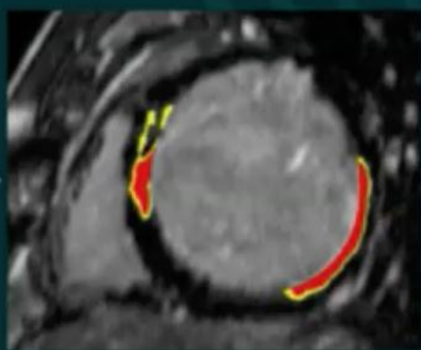
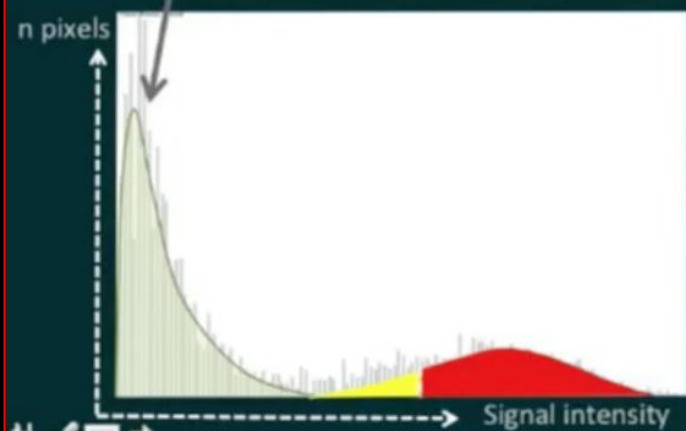
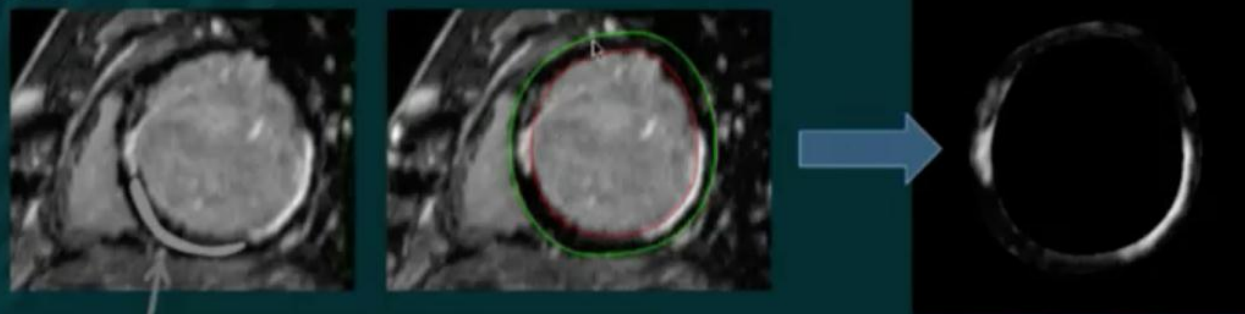
MRI



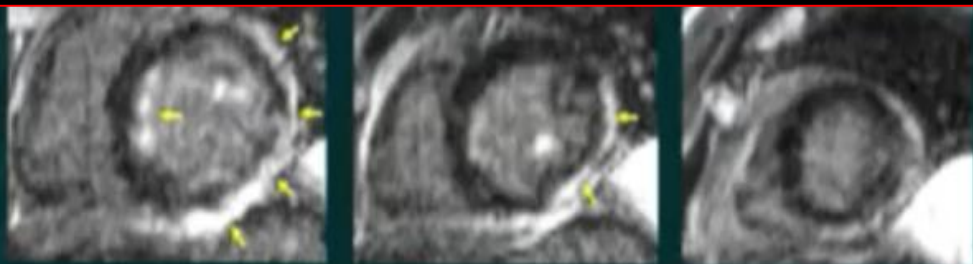
MRI

MDCT

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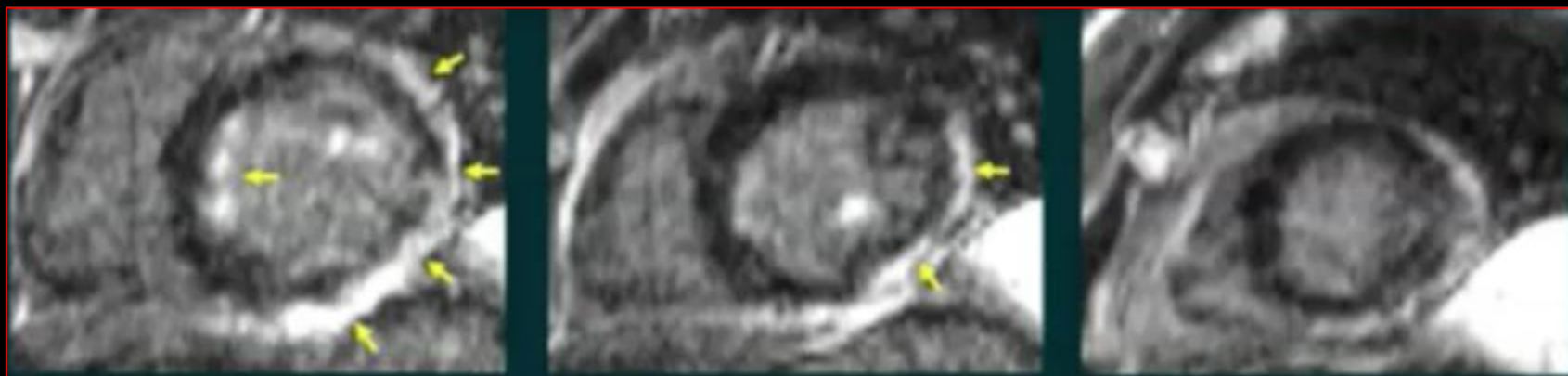
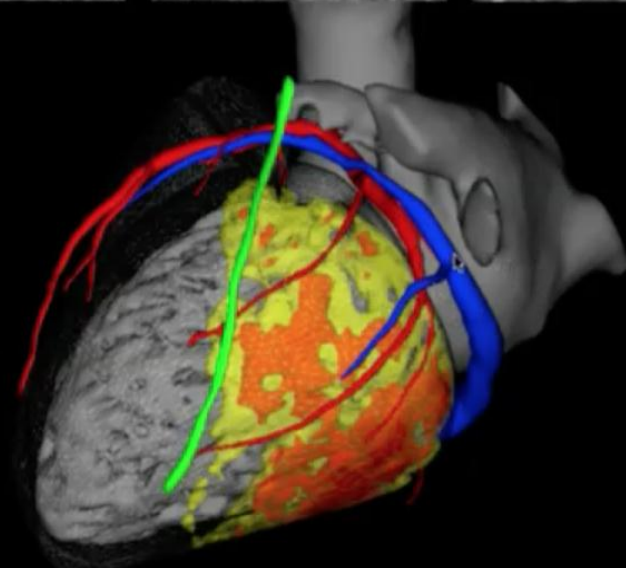
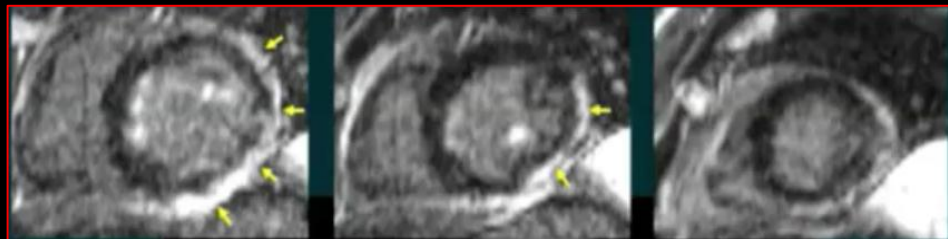




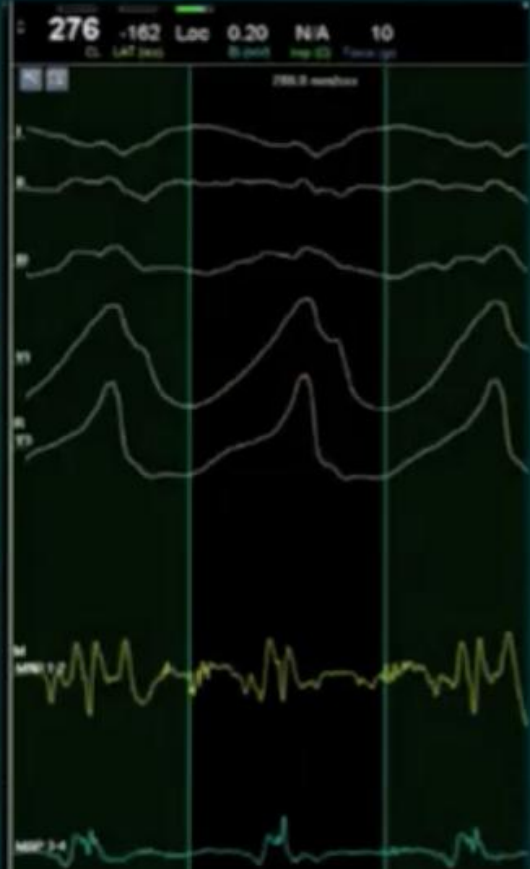
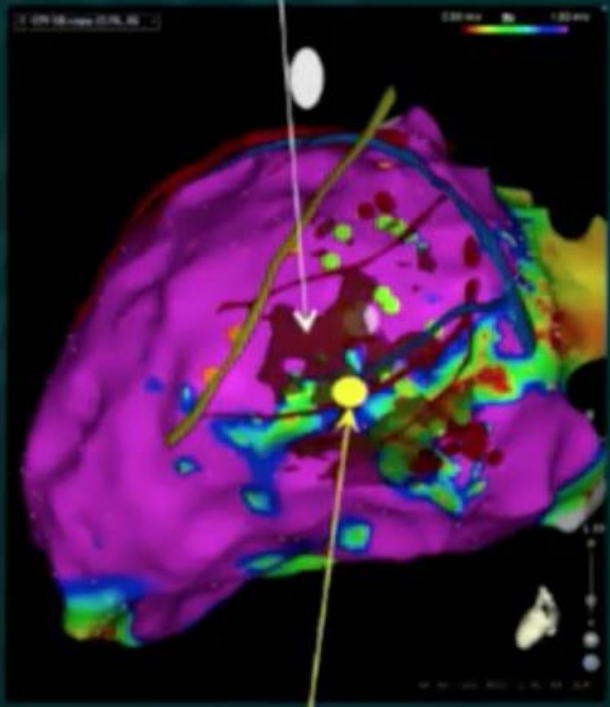


■ **VT ablation is scheduled:**

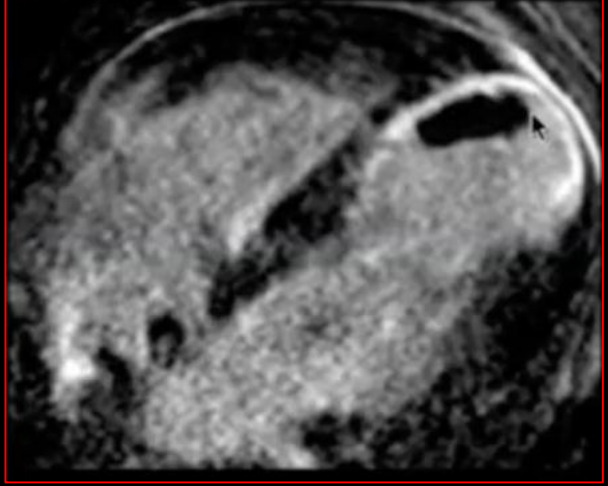
- A. Epicardial access should be performed as a 1st line approach
- B. Cryo ablation should be preferred
- C. Cardiac MDCT could be useful in addition to MRI
- D. Alcohol ablation is often required in pts with post myocarditis VT
- E. Good correlation is expected between voltage and LGE



Delayed Enhancement on MRI

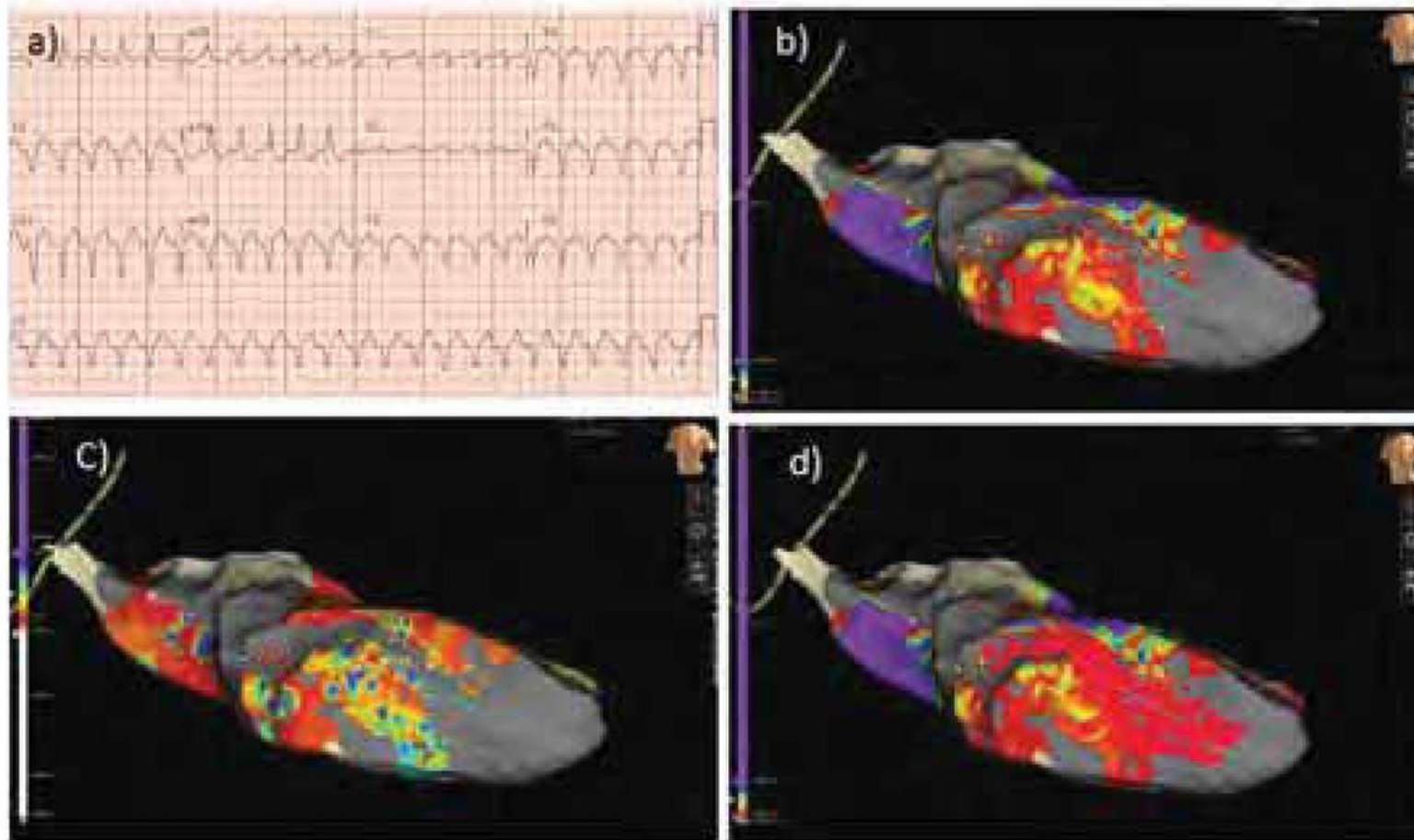


LGE MRI



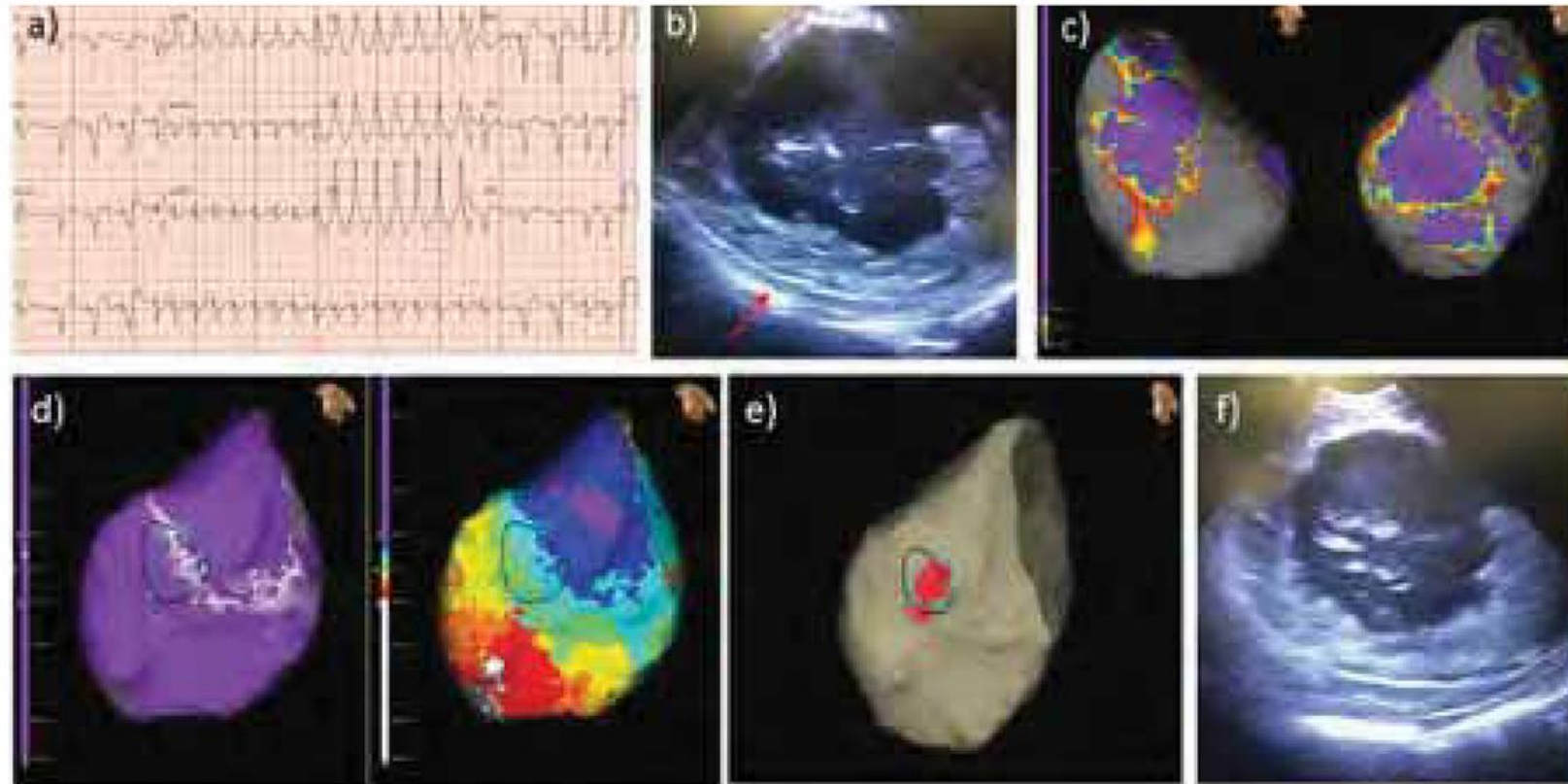
	Ischemic Cardiomyopathy	Nonischemic Cardiomyopathy	ARVC/D	Cardiac Sarcoidosis	HOCM	Chagas
Substrate	Subendocardial	Mid-myocardial/ epicardial	Subepicardial	Nodular, circumferential; subepicardial, subendocardial	Mid wall	Epicardial > endocardial
Scar distribution	Focal	Patchy	Patchy	Patchy	Patchy - Anterior and posterior RV insertion points ⁶	Patchy
Scar location (most common)	Coronary distribution	Basal anteroseptal and inferolateral LV regions ⁷	RV > LV, Perivalvular Triangle of dysplasia* ⁸	Vary widely, Basal and mid inter-ventricular septum ⁹	Interventricular septum, Aneurysmal areas	Basal lateral LV ^{7,10}
Ablation Approach	Endocardial ⁷	Endo/epicardial	Endo/ epicardial	Endo > epicardial	Endo/ epicardial	Epicardial and endocardial

Figure 1



Example of a case with ischemic cardiomyopathy and VT. Patient with history of left anterior descending territory infarct. **a)** Presenting VT with right bundle branch block morphology, superior axis and septal exit site. **b)** Voltage map showing a dense anterior wall scar corresponding to previous MI with a potential channel. **c)** Activation map with isochronal crowding around the area of low voltage. **d)** Ablation strategy: dechanneling along the isthmus site with good results and non-inducibility.

Figure 2



Example of case with nonischemic cardiomyopathy and VT. Patient with long history of nonischemic cardiomyopathy, likely viral in origin, presenting with VT. **a)** Clinical VT with RBBB and superior axis. **b)** Intra-cardiac echocardiogram showing a mid-myocardial scar (arrow). **c)** Voltage map showing extensive epicardial scar in a patchy distribution. **d)** Propagation and activation map, showing isochronal crowding in the highlighted area. **e)** Ablation lesions of the critical isthmus. **f)** Post-ICE images showing post-ablation edema around the mid-myocardial scar.