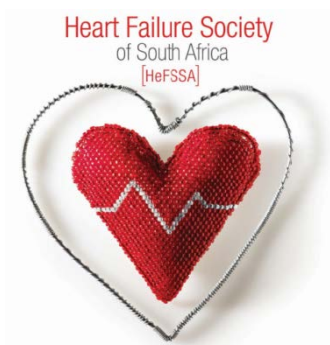


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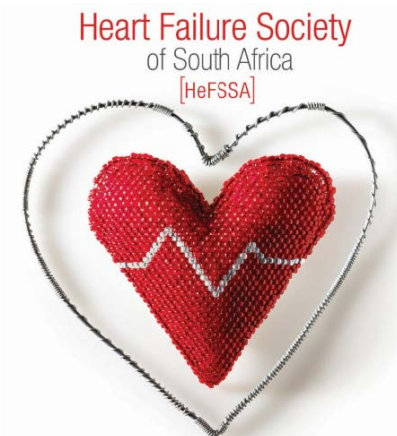
# Background

Special interest group affiliated to the South African Heart Association

First Heart Failure Society in Africa

Established as a non-profit Section 21 company in 2005

Mission: **To promote education and research as well as collaboration on issues relating to heart failure in South Africa and around the world**



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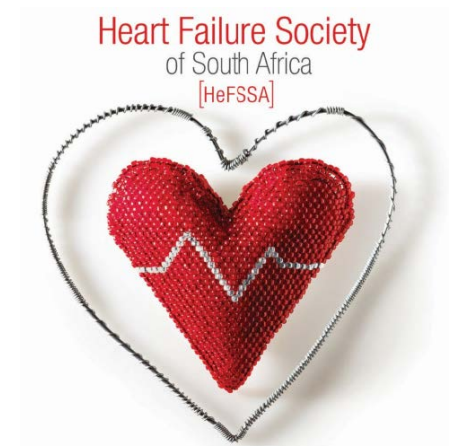
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# Activities

Cardio Update for Non-cardiologists at The SA Heart Congress

Research and Specialist Education- HeFSSA/SASCAR

GP Program 2013

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Web-based Questionnaire

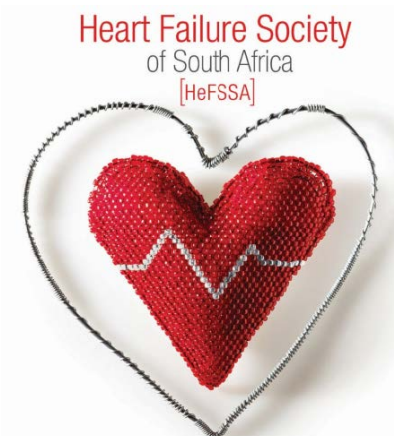
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Physicians and General Practitioner Update

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Inter-CHF Study

The GAPS Study



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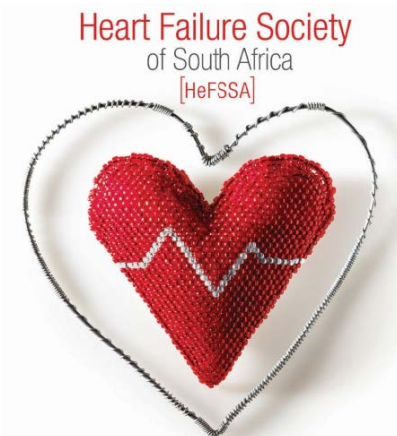
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# *Heart Failure Case Study*

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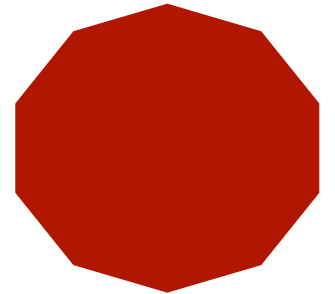
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# Presentation of HF - REF

- *Effort intolerance*
- *Fluid retention*
- *JVP, hepatomegaly, pedal oedema*
- *Displaced LV apex beat*
- *Left sided third sound*
- *No lung crackles*

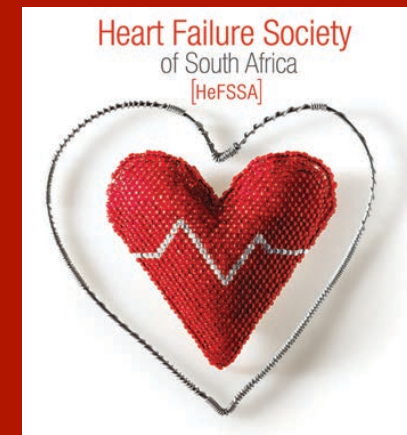
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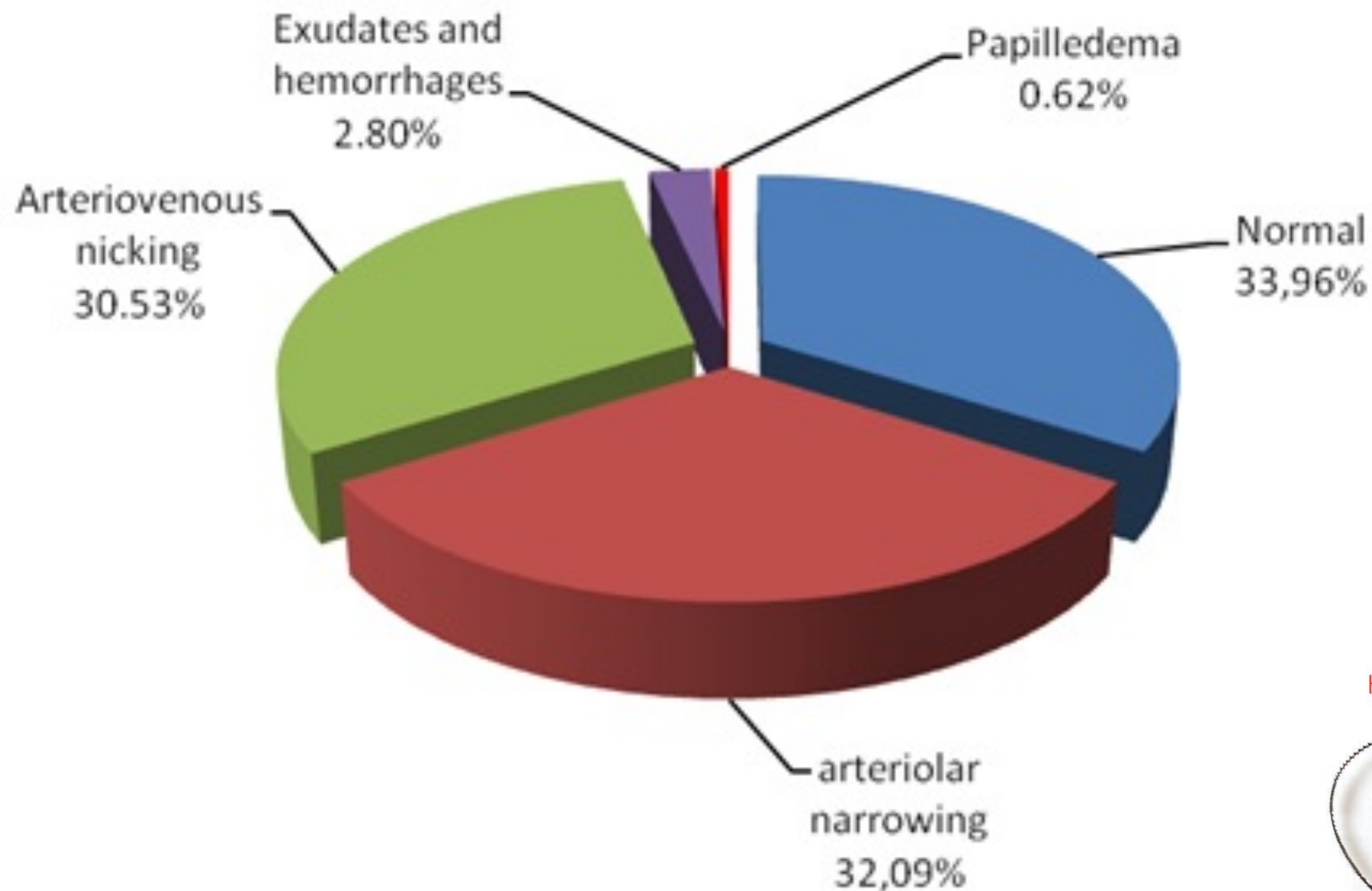
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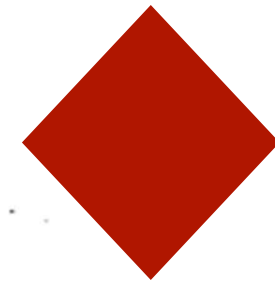
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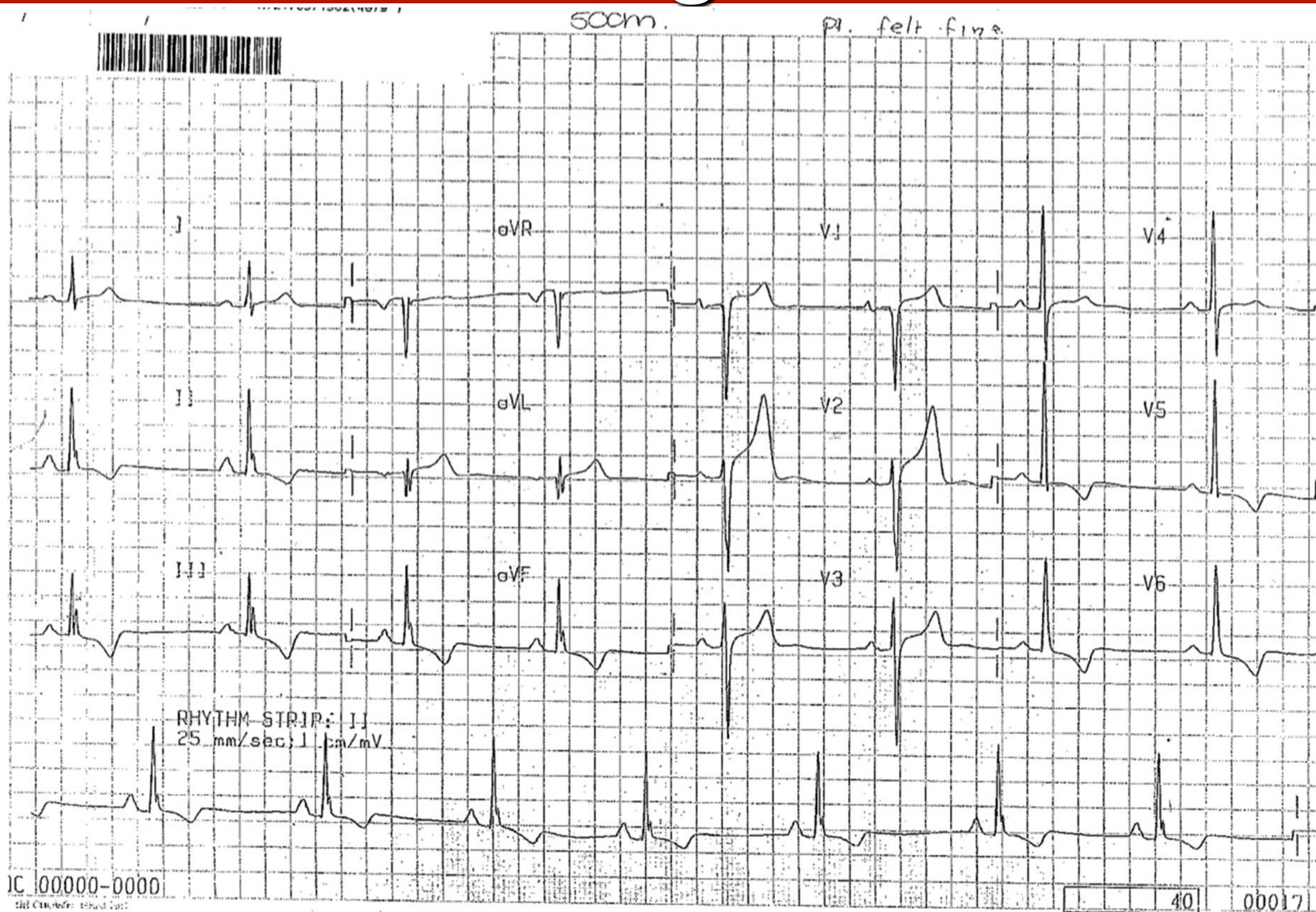
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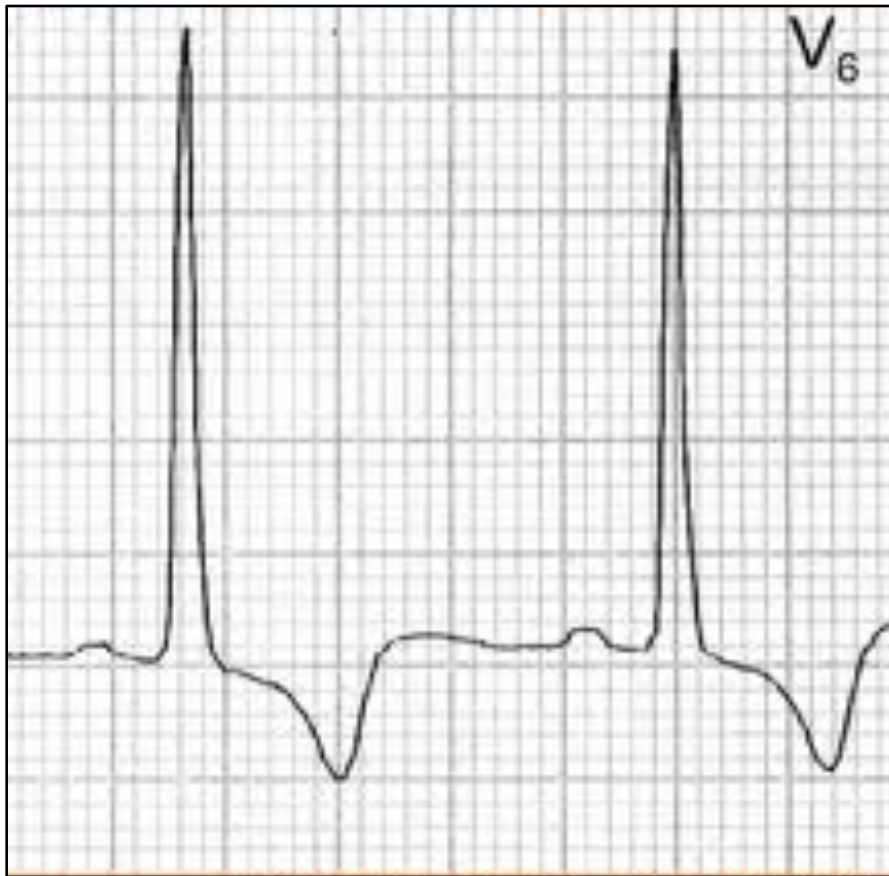


# Resting ECG





# Sokolow-Lyon voltage criteria



## ***Simplified Criteria*** for Diagnosing

**LVH**

1. Deepest S wave in lead V<sub>1</sub> or V<sub>2</sub>,  
plus tallest R wave in lead V<sub>5</sub> or V<sub>6</sub>  $\geq 35$ .  
— and/or — R in lead aVL  $\geq 12$ .
2. Patient  $\geq 35$  years old.
3. Left ventricular (LV) "**strain**".



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# Progressive QRS widening

**CLASSICAL:**  
LVH voltage with  
typical repol.  
abnormalities  
("strain")



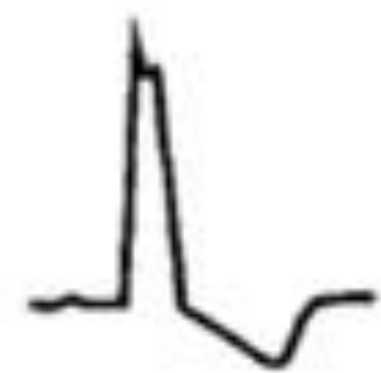
LVH voltage with  
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Incomplete  
LBBB  
(absent septal  
Q in leads I  
and V6)



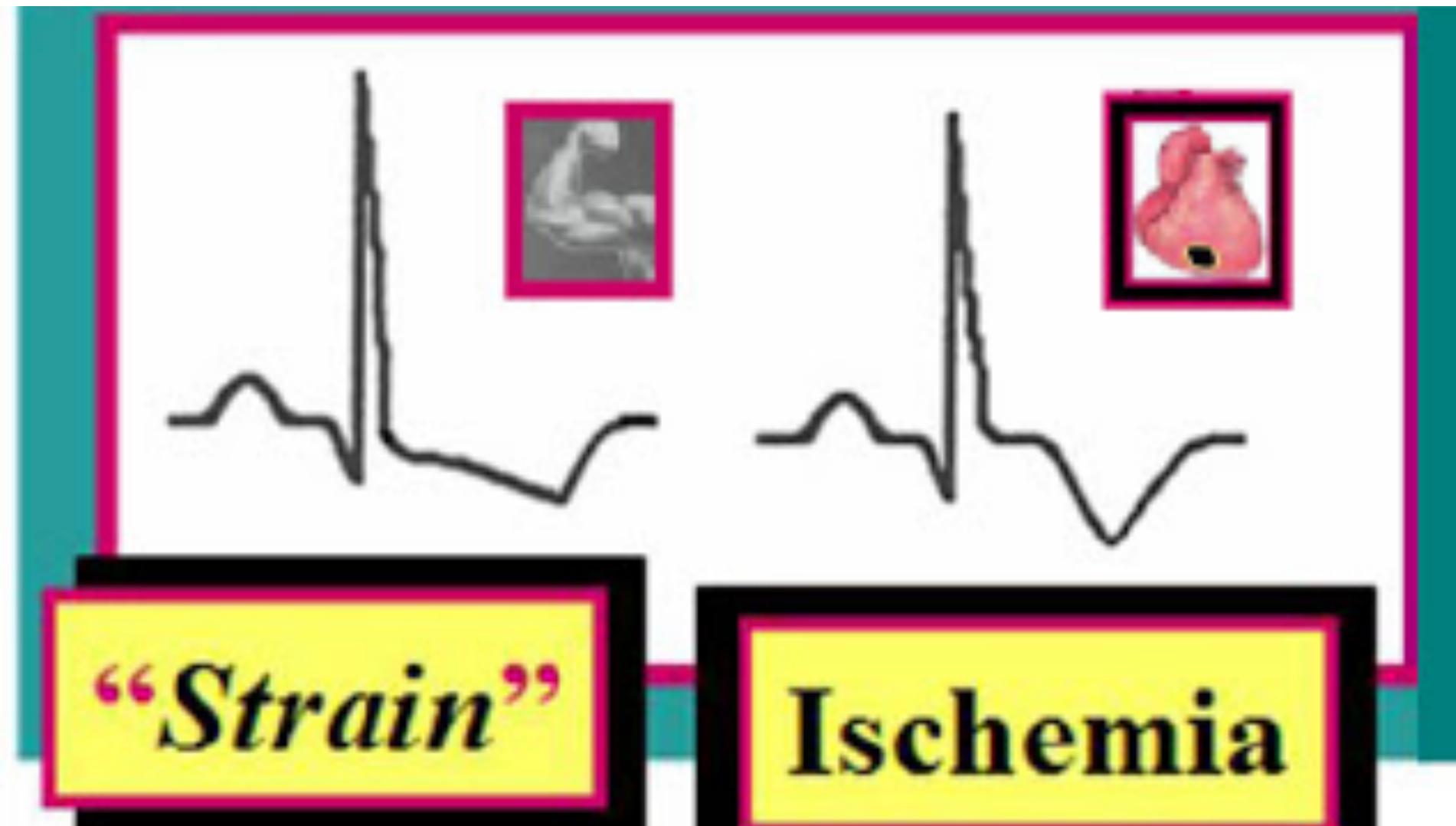
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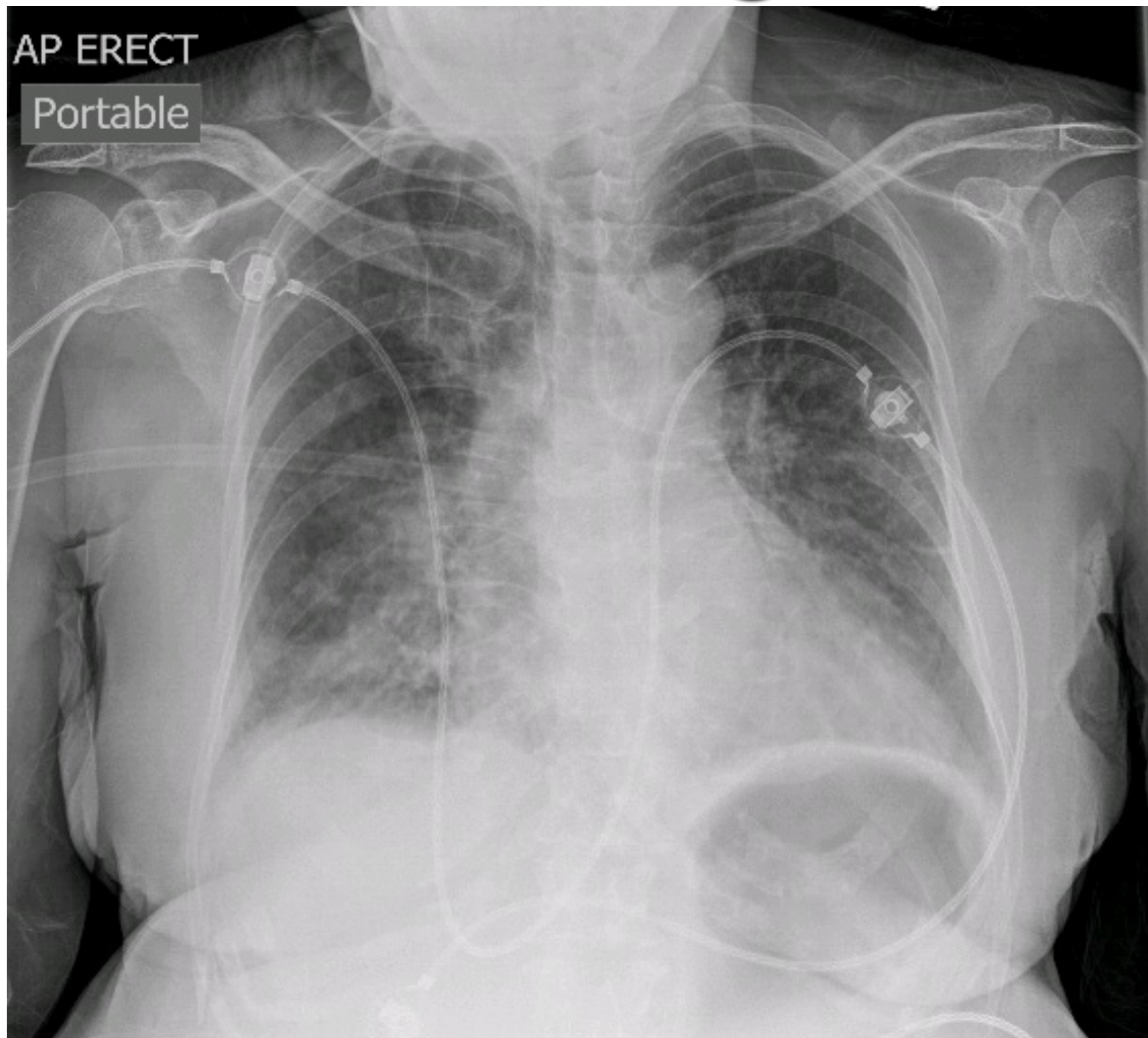


# T wave inversion





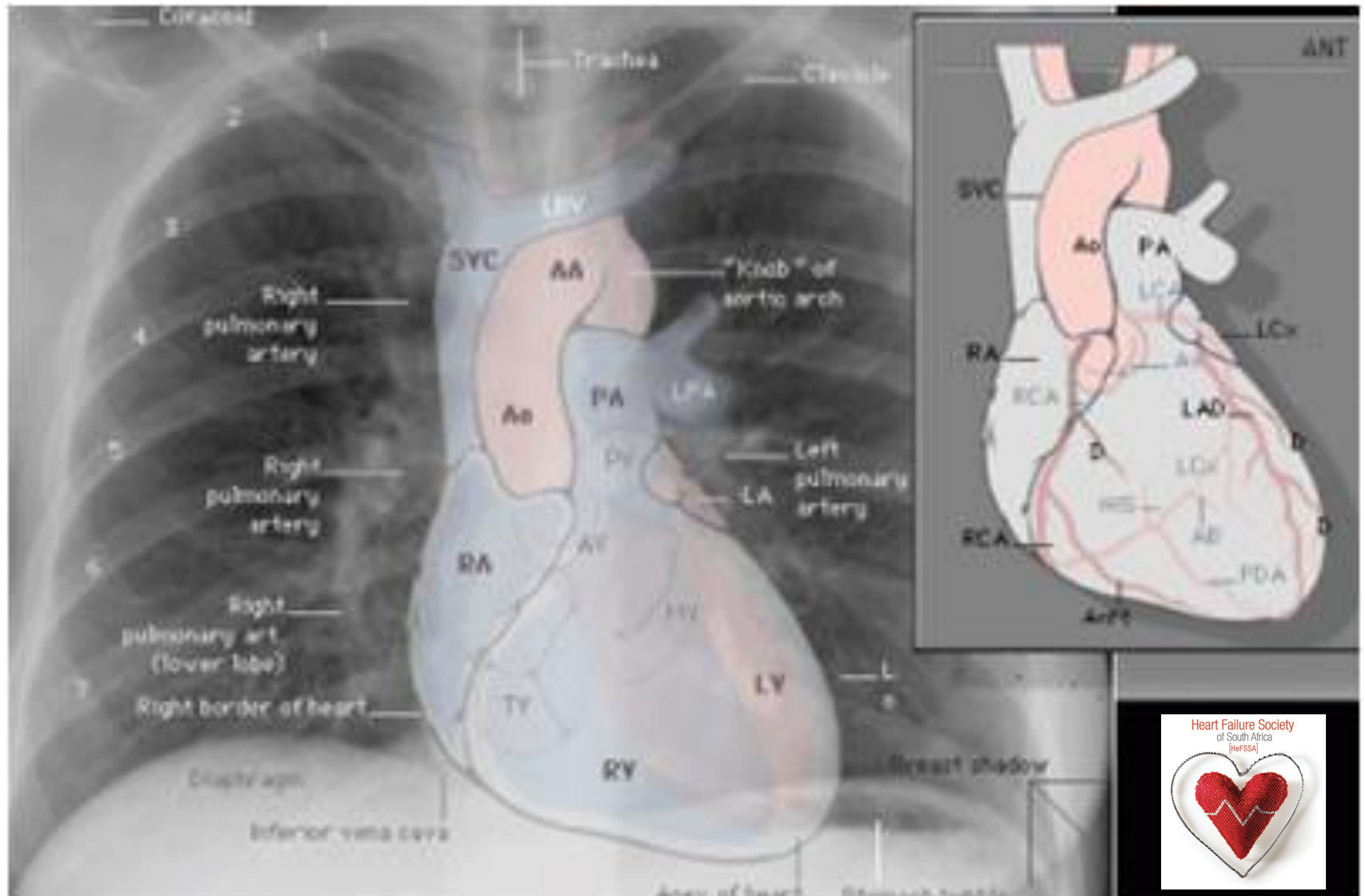
# Presenting CXR



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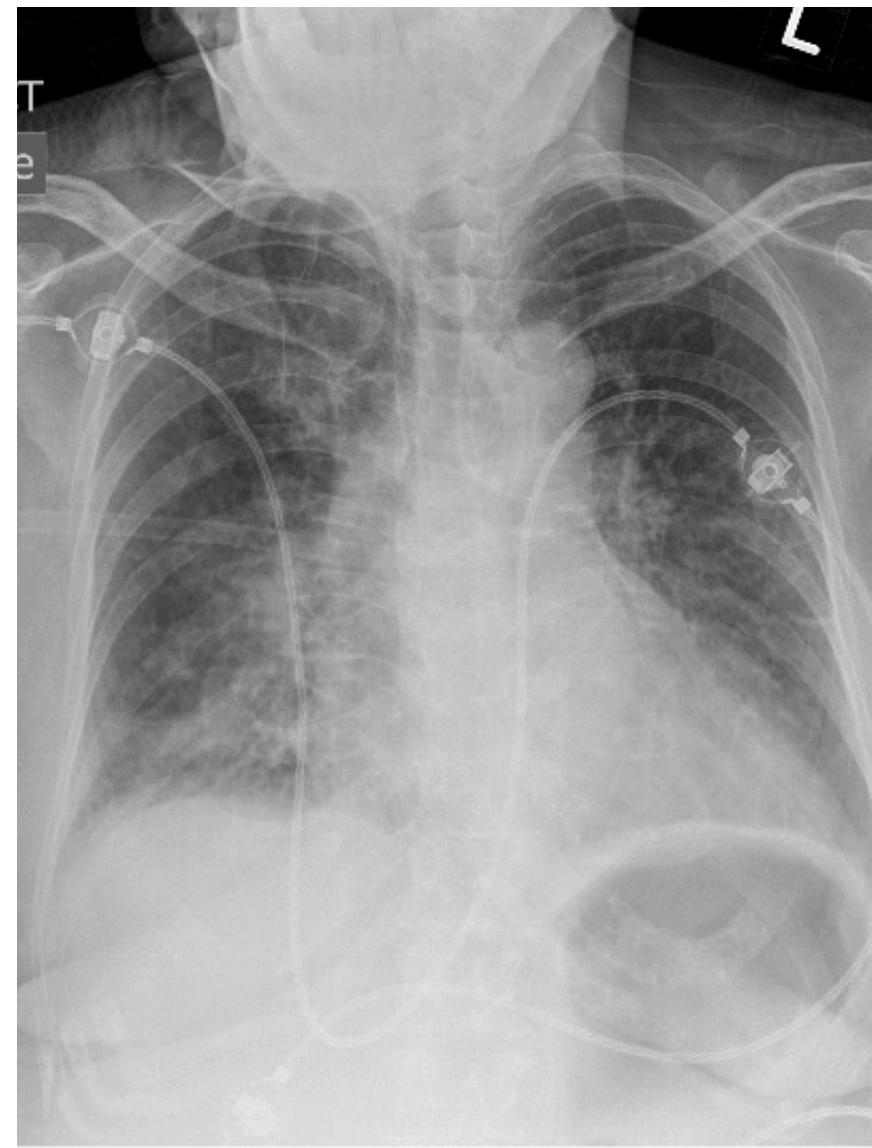
# The heart and vascular structures of the CXR



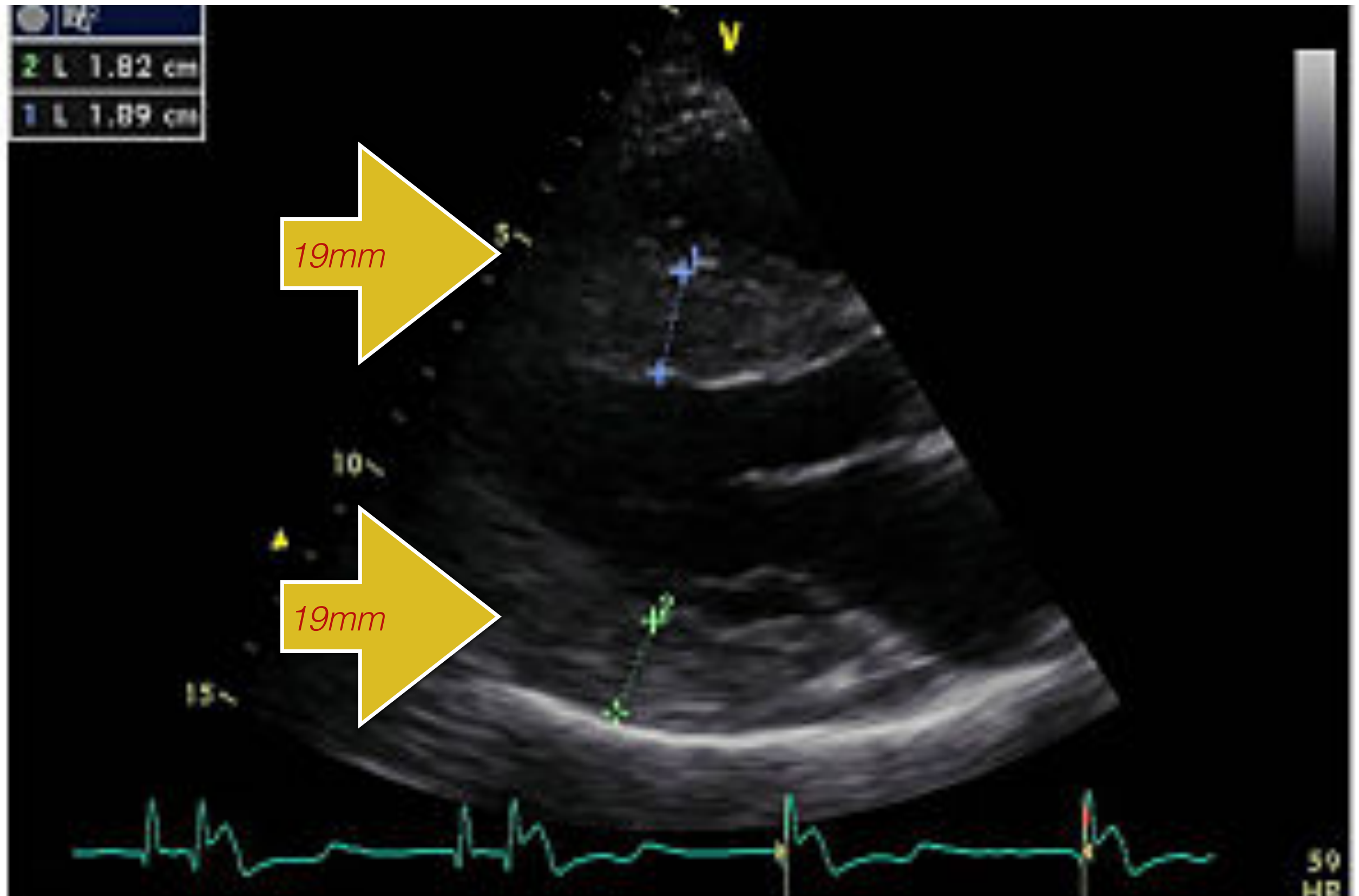


# ESC Guideline 2012

- **3.6.5 Chest X-ray**
- **A chest X-ray is of limited use in the diagnostic work-up of patients with suspected HF.**
- **It is probably most useful in identifying an alternative, pulmonary explanation for a patient's symptoms and signs.**
- **It may, however, show pulmonary venous congestion or oedema in a patient with HF.**
- **It is important to note that significant LV systolic dysfunction may be present without cardiomegaly on the chest X-ray.**



# Echo-cardiography - parasternal long axis



# Short axis



**Normal**

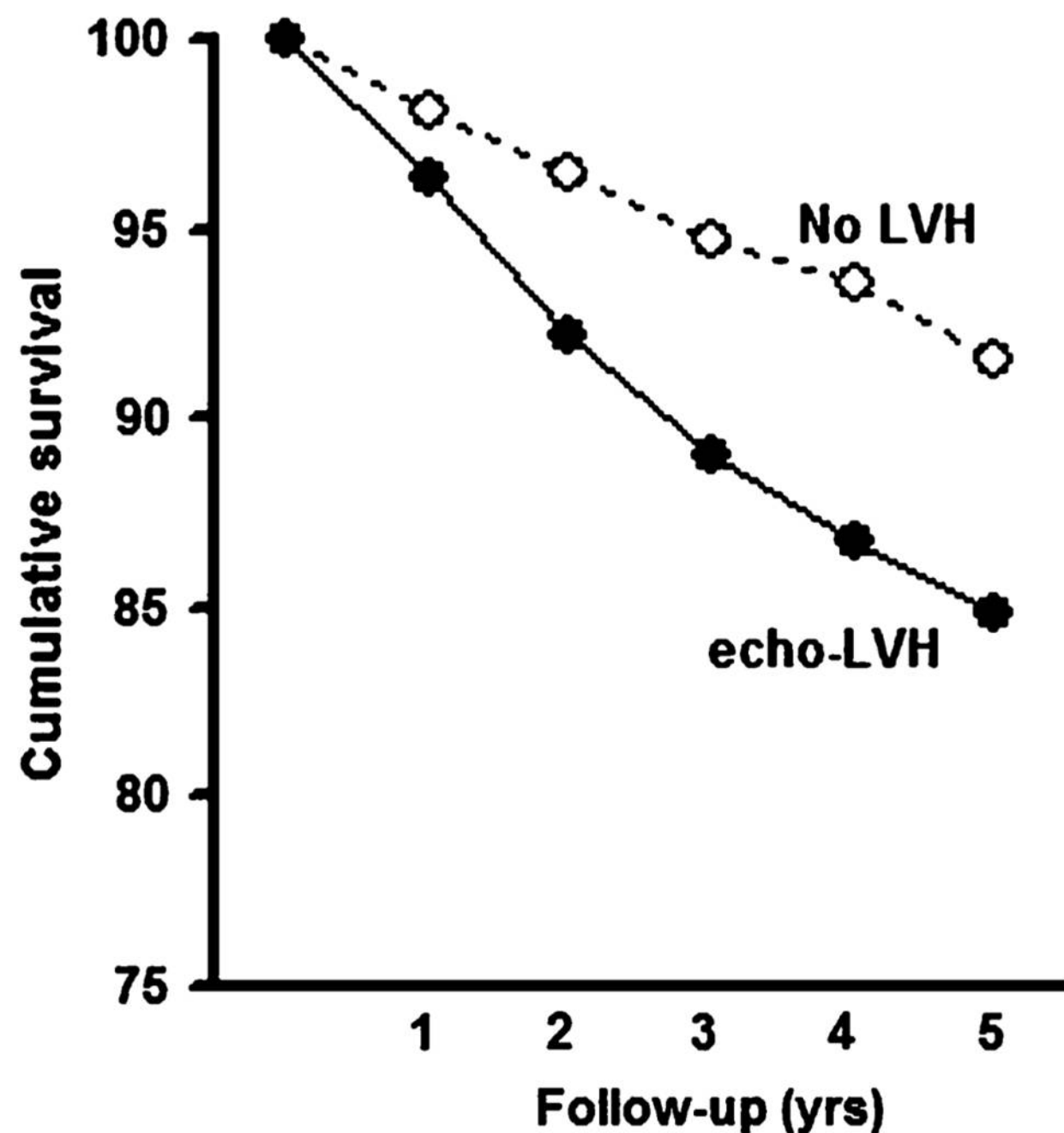


**LVH**  
***hypertension***

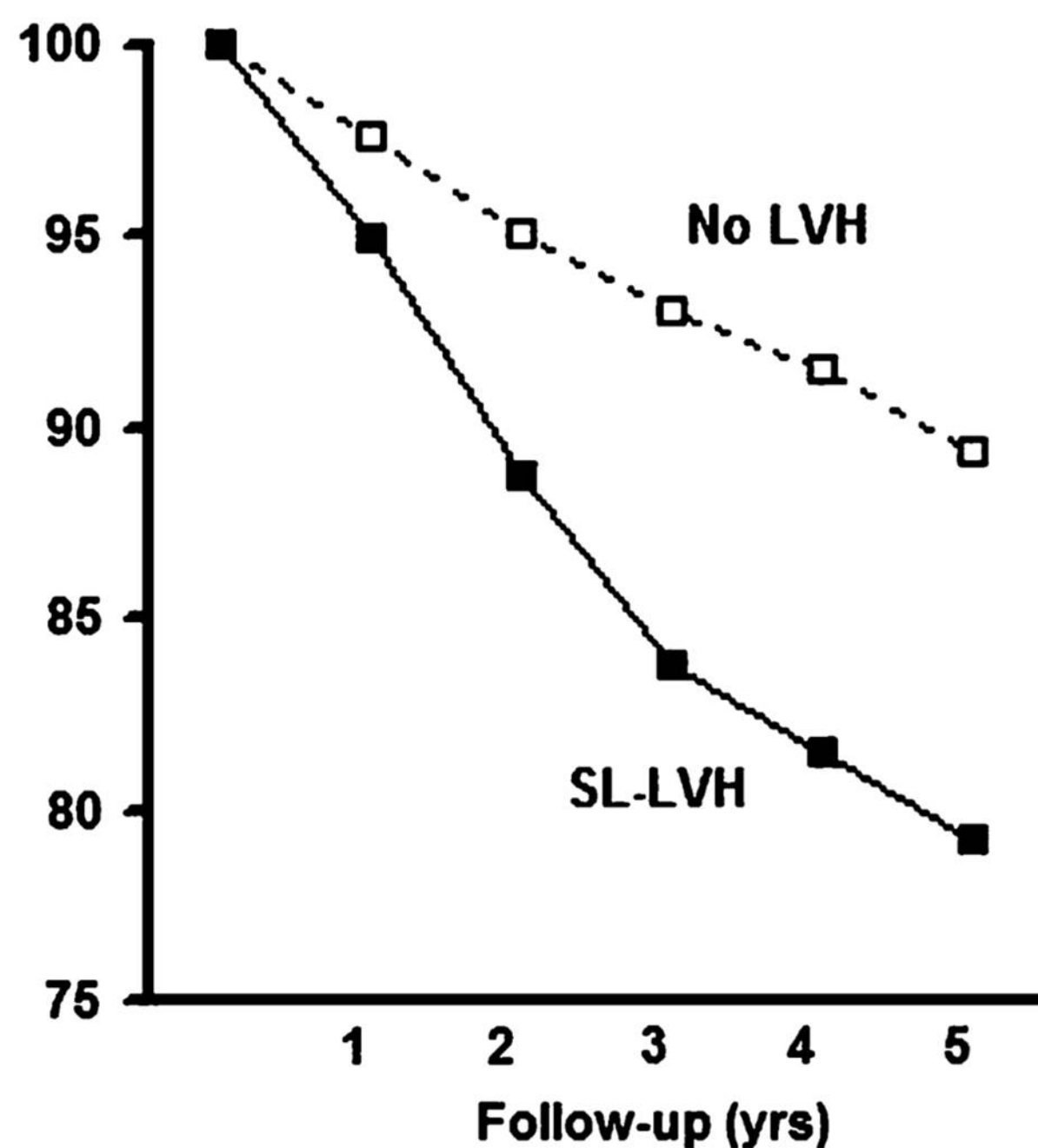


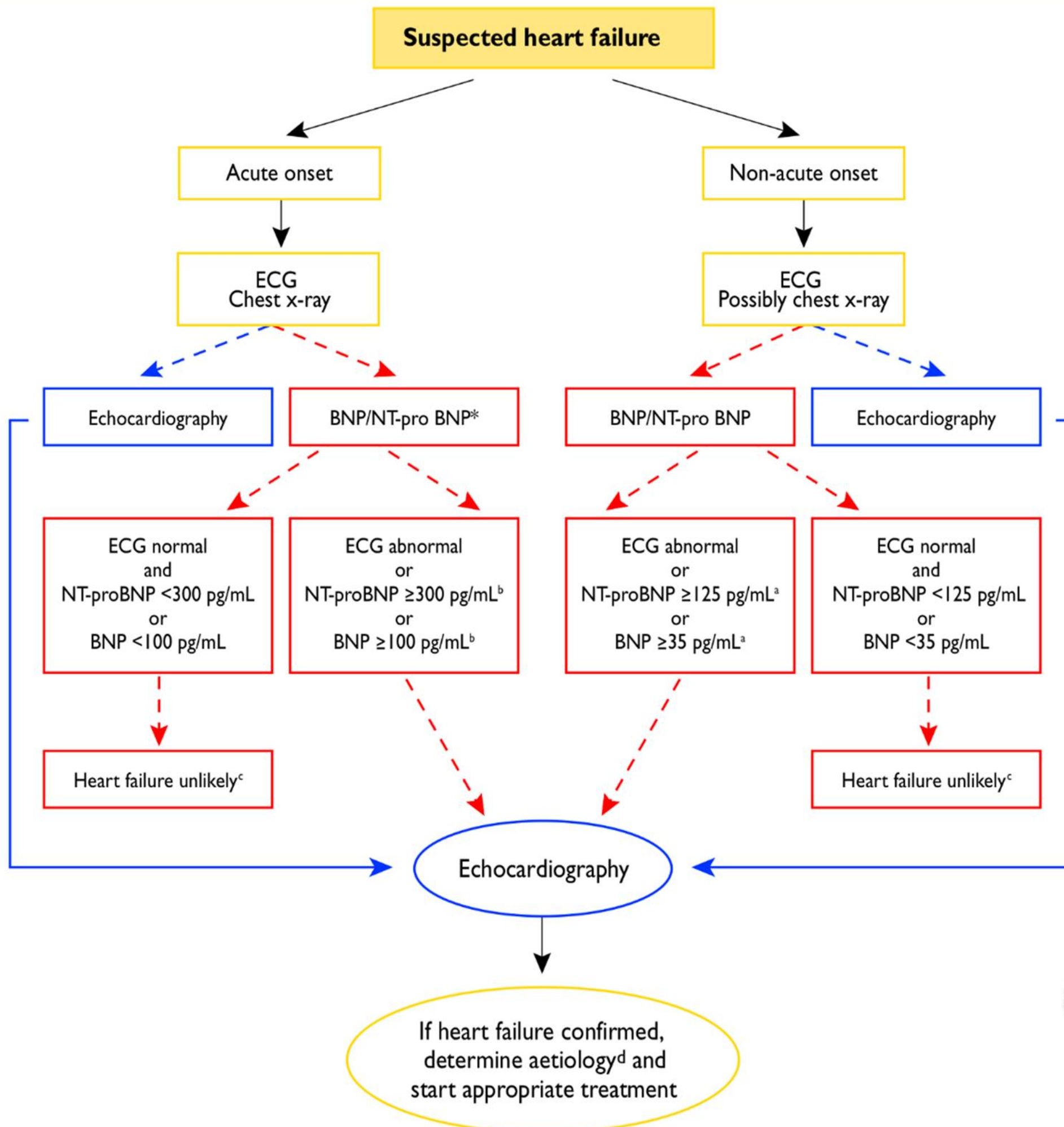
# Survival Implications of ECG or Echo LVH

ECHO



ECG









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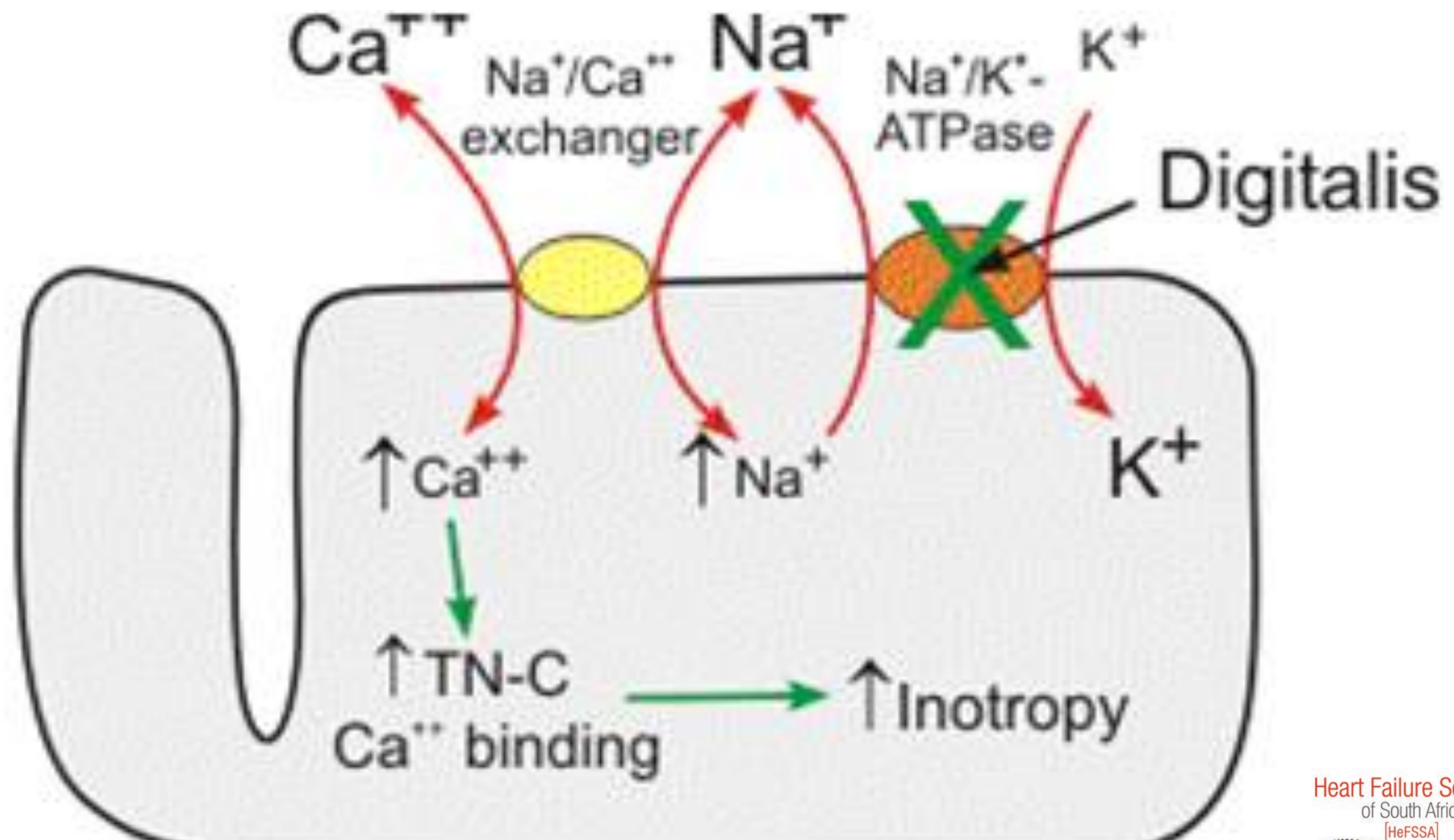
# Actual script on discharge - 1999

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DETAILS OF PRESCRIPTION (T.T.O.)		BED: 05360 -05 HOSP NR: 2499214 MPHCHATS: JAN MPHCHA MR 19 TLAMATLAMA SECTION TEMBISA 62/03/21 36Y M B EN NOME HRE FIN CLASS: 03 99/04/26 3124 BEZWODA W R, PROF (LPP) VN: 4802152 0596 924 4459	
Digoxin 0.125mg PO dly Coumestrol 4mg dly PO Horegt Lasix 125mg PO mane 3ul 50mg PO noon Slow K 36.1 + 0.5 PO		DOCTOR'S NAME (Please Print) P. A. D. M. QUALIFICATIONS: MBBCh TEL. EXT. 3594 DATE: 3/5/99 SIGNATURE:	
Signature of Pharmacist:			
<b>DISCHARGE SUMMARY</b>			
THIS FORM MUST IN ALL CASES BE COMPLETED IMMEDIATELY ON DISCHARGE OF A PATIENT AND SIGNED BY A DOCTOR WITH RANK NOT LOWER THAN CLINICAL ASSISTANT (REGISTRAR)			
UNIT FROM WHICH DISCHARGED: 595		DISCHARGE DATE = 3/5/99	
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# Effect of digoxin

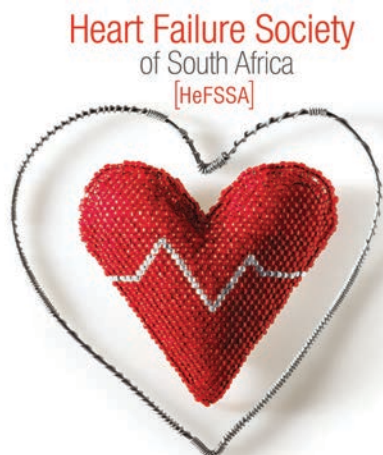
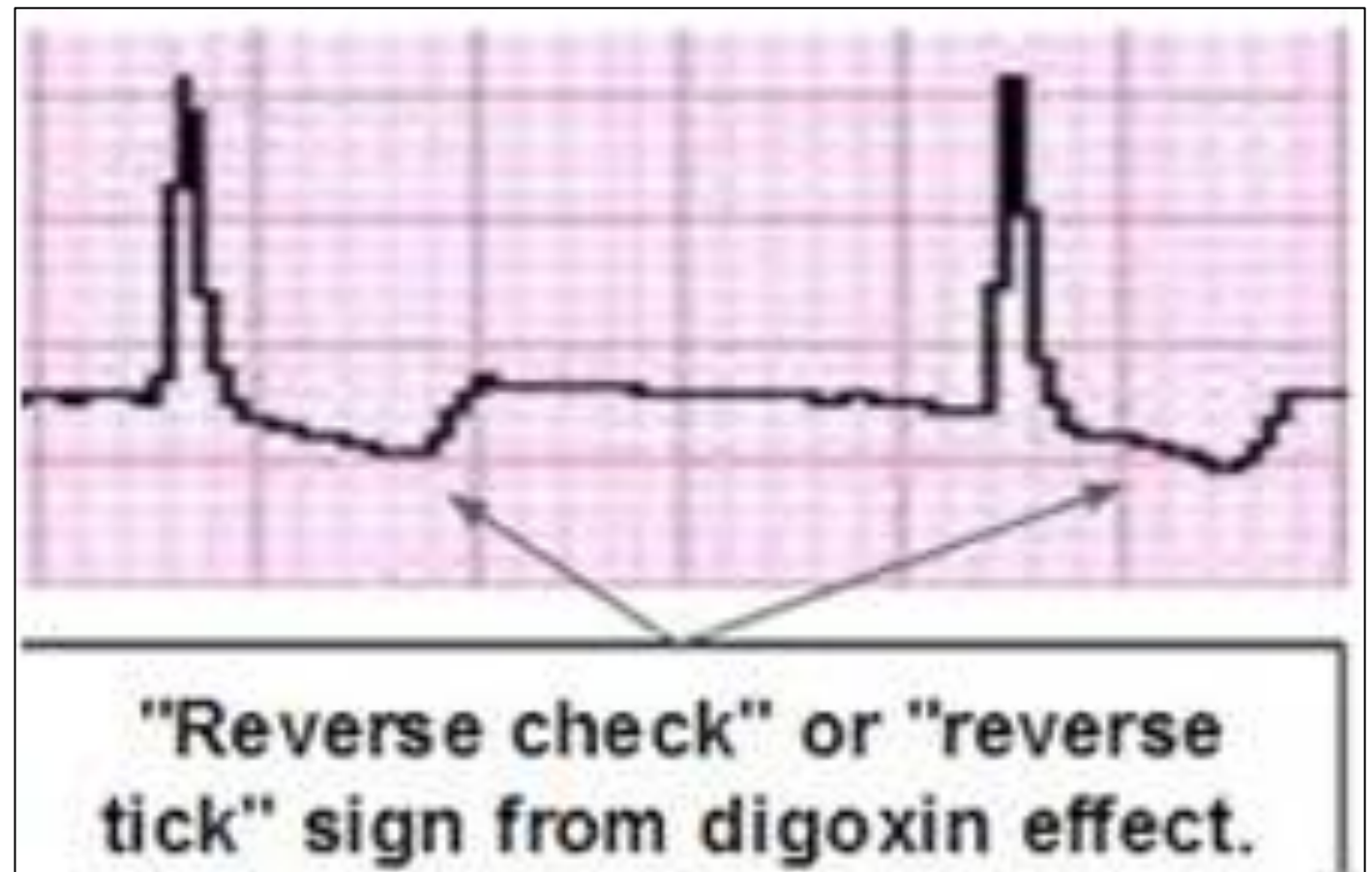


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# Digoxin effect on ECG

- *The bowl-like down-sloped ST segment depression is characteristic for the digitalis effect - "reverse tick"*





# Medication side effect



- *Developed angioneurotic oedema on enalapril*
- *In public health system received telmisartan , then losartan as replacement.*





# Treatment in July 2013

- Hydrochlorthiazide 12.5 mg
- Losartan 100 mg daily
- Carvedilol 25 mg bd
- Amlodipine 10 mg daily

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DETAILS OF PRESCRIPTION (T.T.O.)

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Hoesel 12.5mg po po  
Slow K 360 + 0.5 po

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QUALIFICATIONS: MBChB  
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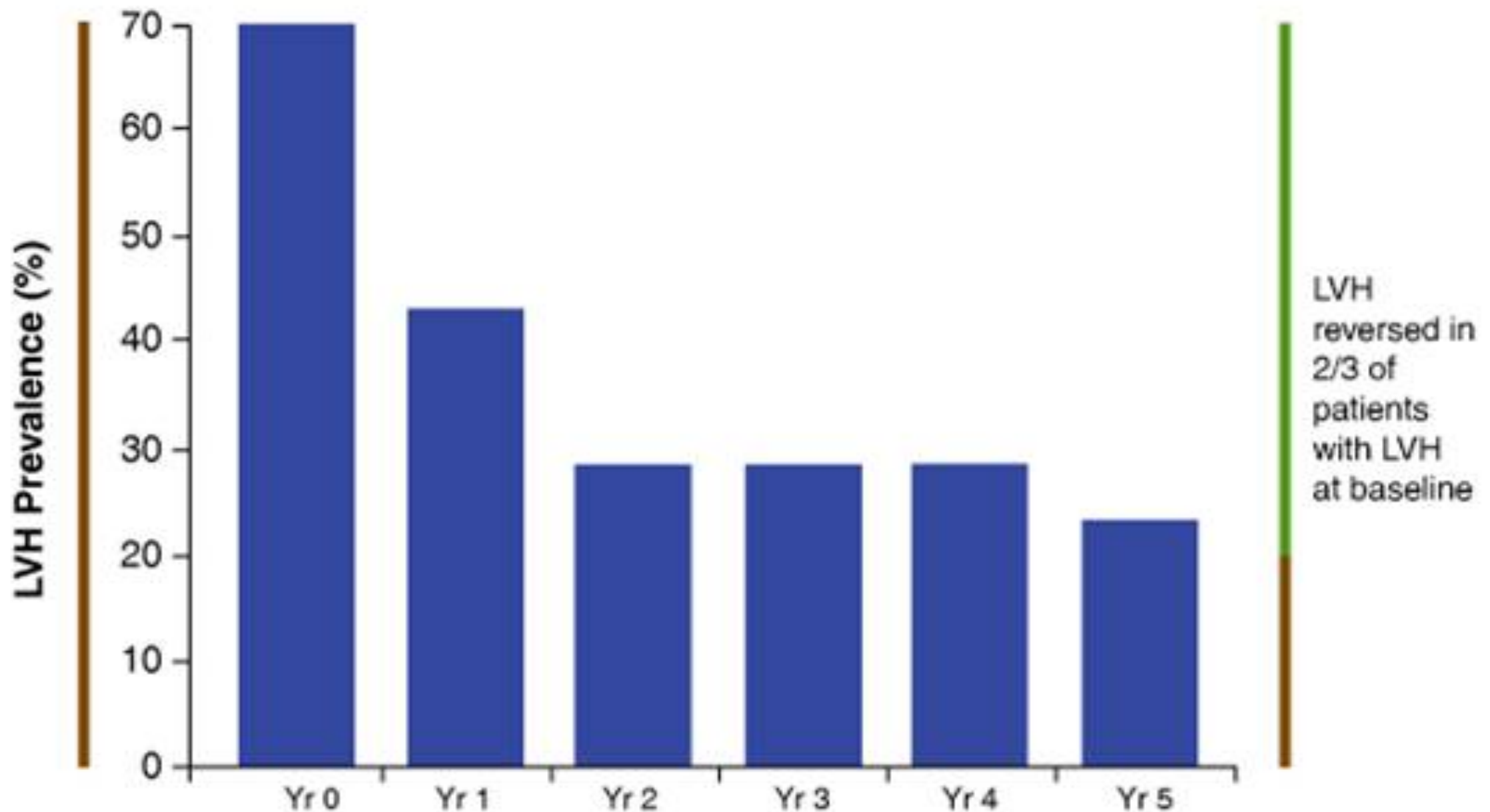
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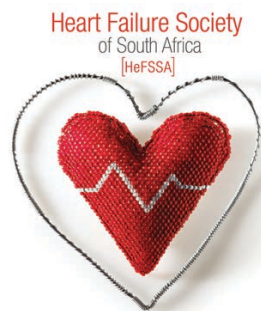
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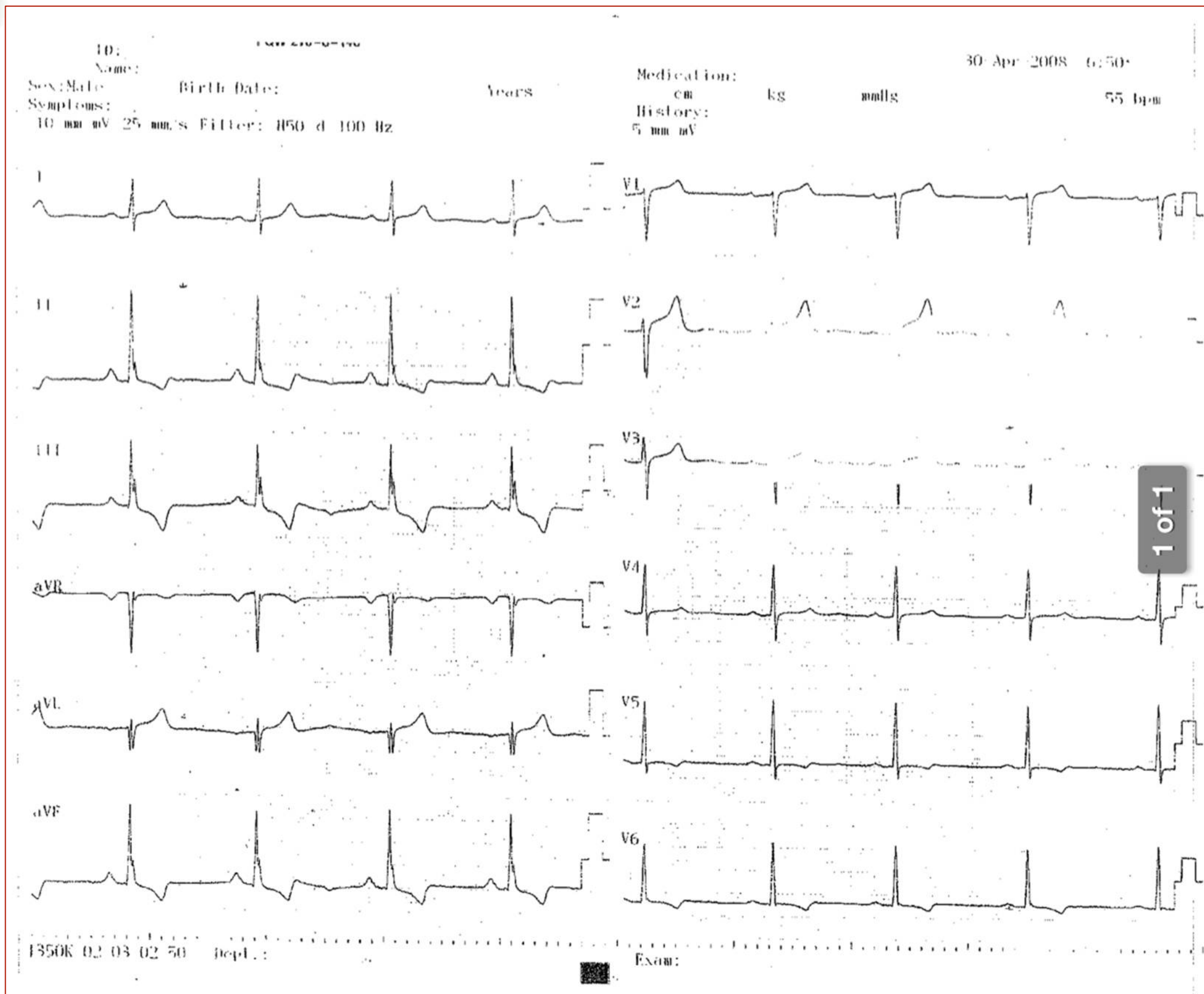
# Reversal of LVH

**LIFE Echo: Left Ventricular Hypertrophy (LVH) Prevalence at Baseline and Annual Follow-Up**





# 2008





# 2013

FQW 210-3-140

ID:

Name:

Jul-10-2013 5:39 AM

Sex: Male

Birth Date:

Years

Medication:

cm

kg

mmHg

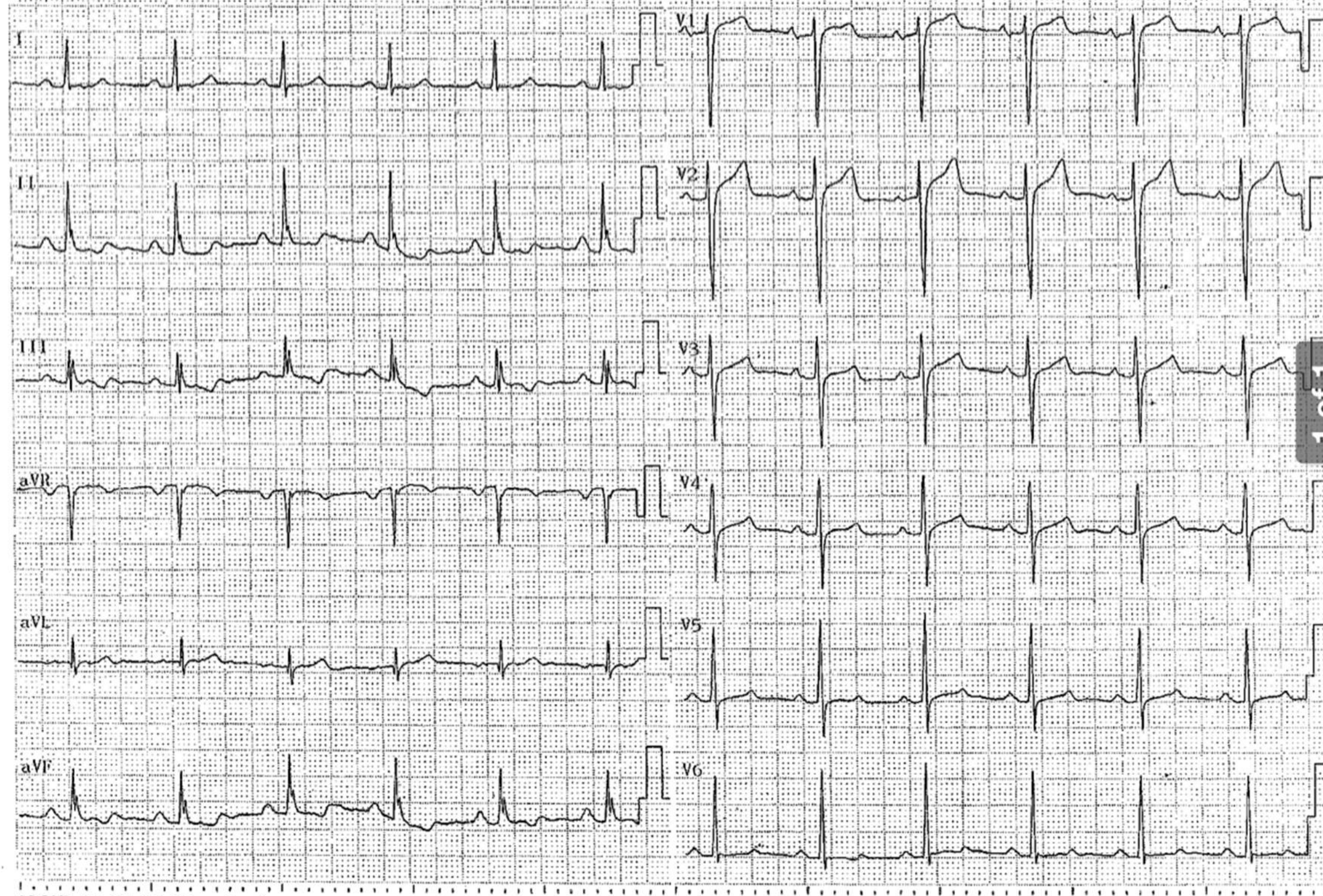
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Symptoms:

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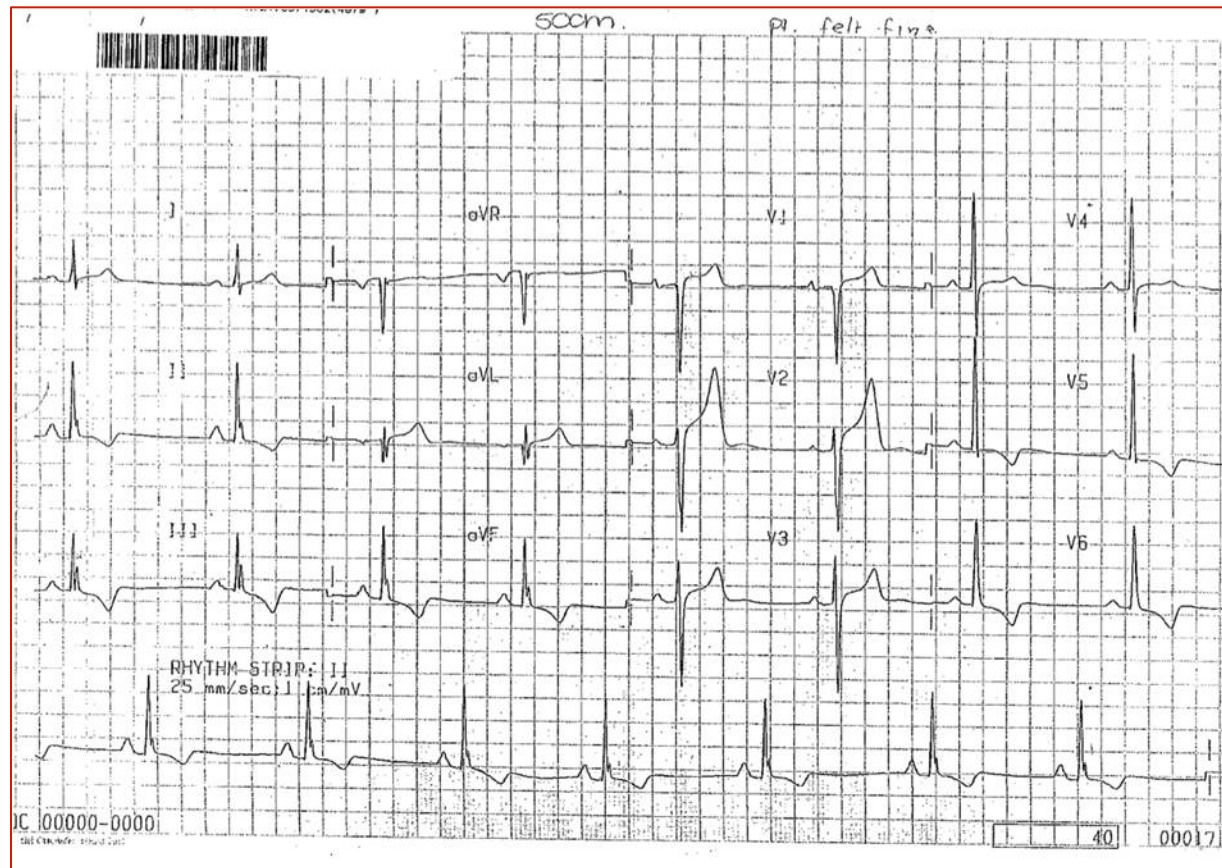
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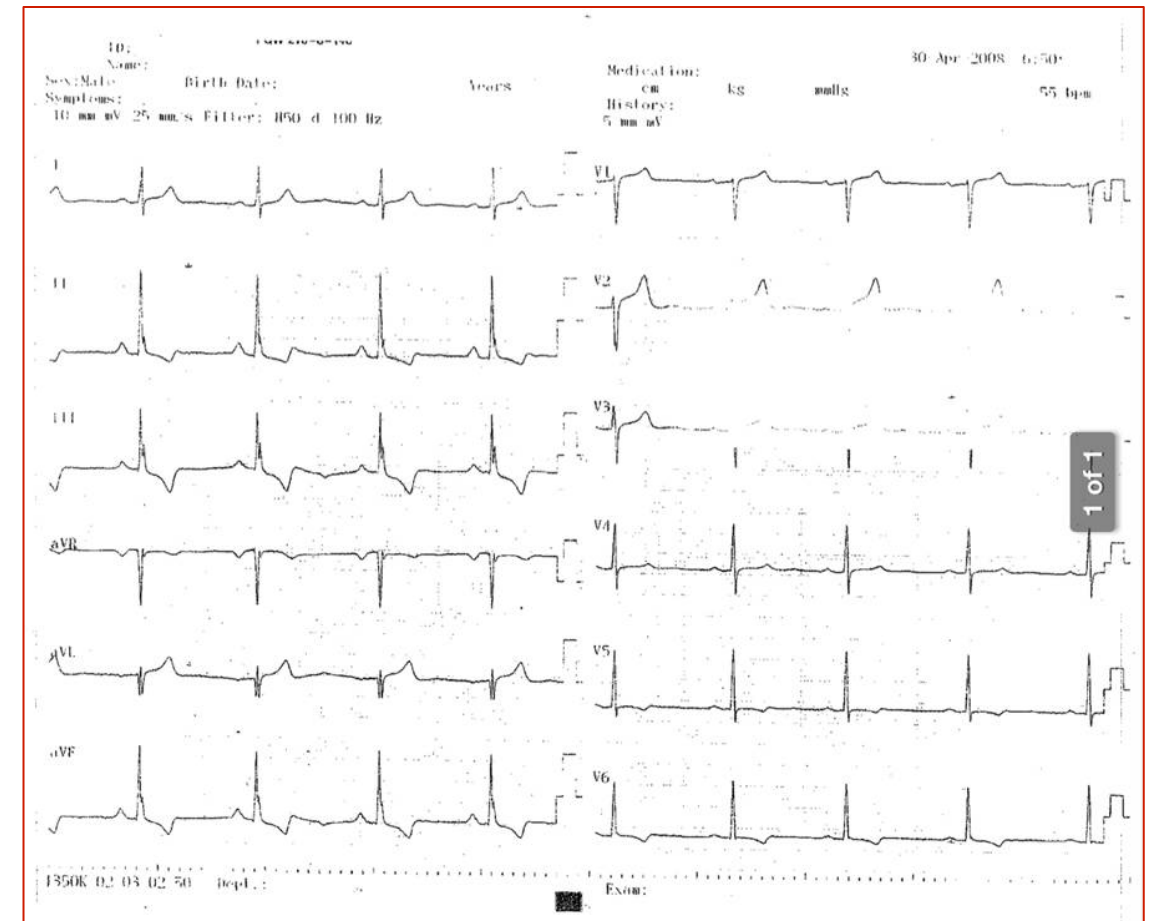




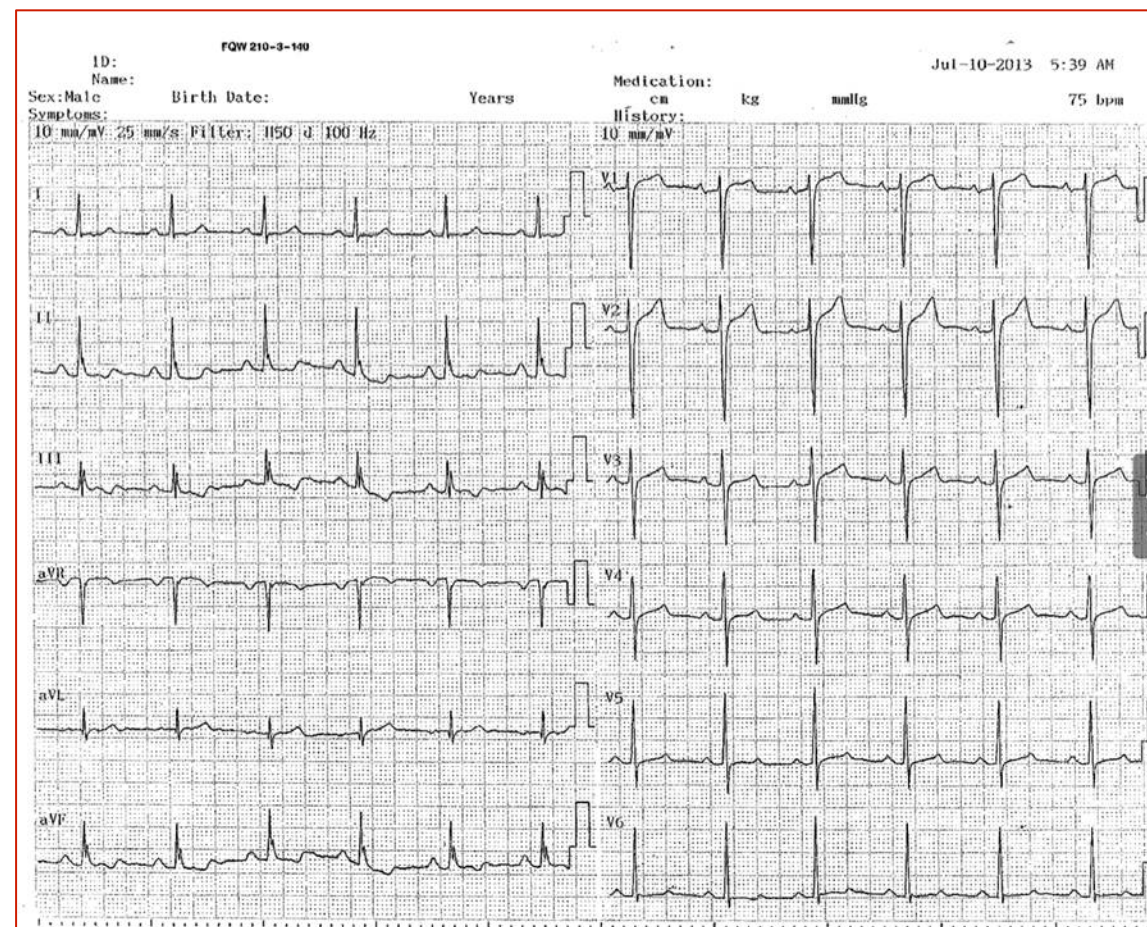
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# Reverse remodeling

05/07/2012 (pre)

Echo	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 3	Visit 4	Visit 5	Visit 6	Visit 7	Visit 8	Visit 9	Visit 10
Date	21/1/99	21/2/99	02/03/99		11/8/2012					
IVSd	1.48	1.77	1.6		13					
LVIDd	59.9	60.1	55	52	46					
PWd										
IVSs										
LVIDs	4.65	45.1	28	33	29					
PWs										
MV exc E	2.90									
MV exc A	2.61									
Ao Root	3.04									
LA	3.75				39					
R-R	790									
Ao ej time	310									
FS	22.5	40	48	33						
EF	45	69.9	88	66	66					
DT (cm <sup>2</sup> )	415	323	218	171	182					
DT (s)	0.115	0.130								
E peak vel	71.6	55	80	62	75					
Ei	10.7	7.27								
A peak vel	81.0	66	70	56	93					
Ai	7.12	5.64								
Sp Index										
M Ann	3.82									
T Ann										

*Clinic Echo results 1999 - 2012*  
*LVIDD - 59.9 mm reduced to 46 mm*

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# Lessons

- *Basic investigations still of benefit*
- *LVH and LV dilatation are reversible with appropriate therapy*
- *Recognise adverse drug events and replace offending agent appropriately*
- *Reduce diuretic therapies as the patient's heart failure improves*
- *In difficult to control hypertension and heart failure, use appropriate medications*



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