

Catheter Ablation of VT in Channelopathy

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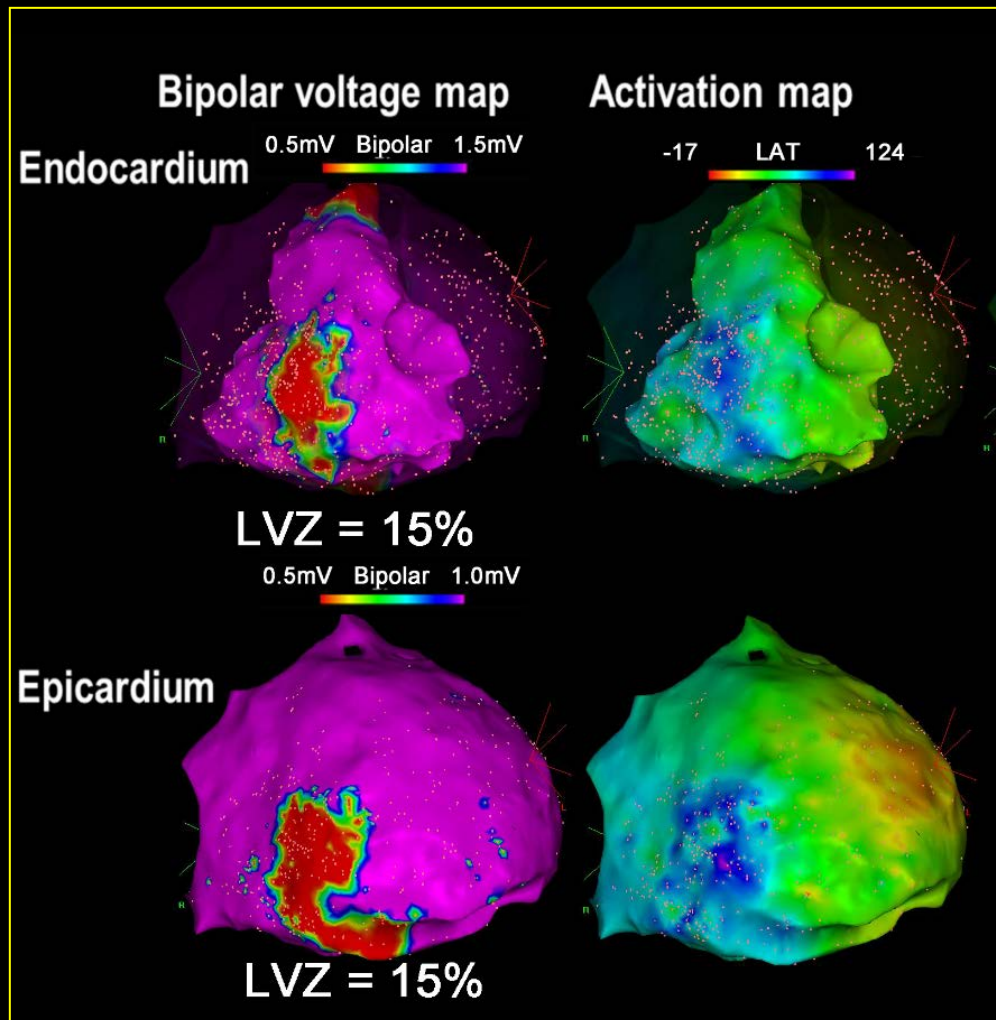
VT/VF and Channelopathy

- Arrhythmogenic right ventricle cardiomyopathy
- Brugada syndrome
- Long QT syndrome
- Short QT syndrome
- Catecholaminergic polymorphous VT

ARVC : Clinical Presentation

Groups	Overall (N=80)	Transmural Scar(N=22)	Intermediate(N=33)	Horizontal Scar(N=25)	<i>P value</i>
Presentation					
Syncope	44(55.0%)	11(50.0%)	14(42.4%)	19(76.0%)	0.021
Palpitation	69(86.3%)	20(90.9%)	28(84.8%)	21(84.0%)	0.754
Dyspnea	32(40.0%)	7(31.8%)	15(45.5%)	10(40.0%)	0.600
VA type					
PVC > 5000/day	32(40.0%)	16(72.7%)	14(42.4%)	2(8.0%)	<0.001
PVC/Day	9480±6962	17428±14943	9677±14001	2235±5705	<0.001
NSVT	33(41.3%)	11(50%)	12(36.4%)	8(32.0%)	0.421
Sustained VT	33(41.3%)	4 (18.2%)	16 (48.5%)	13 (52.0%)	0.034
VF	24(30.0%)	2(9.1%)	5 (15.2%)	17(68.0%)	<0.001

Scar Distribution: Transmural Stable VT or PVC Dominant

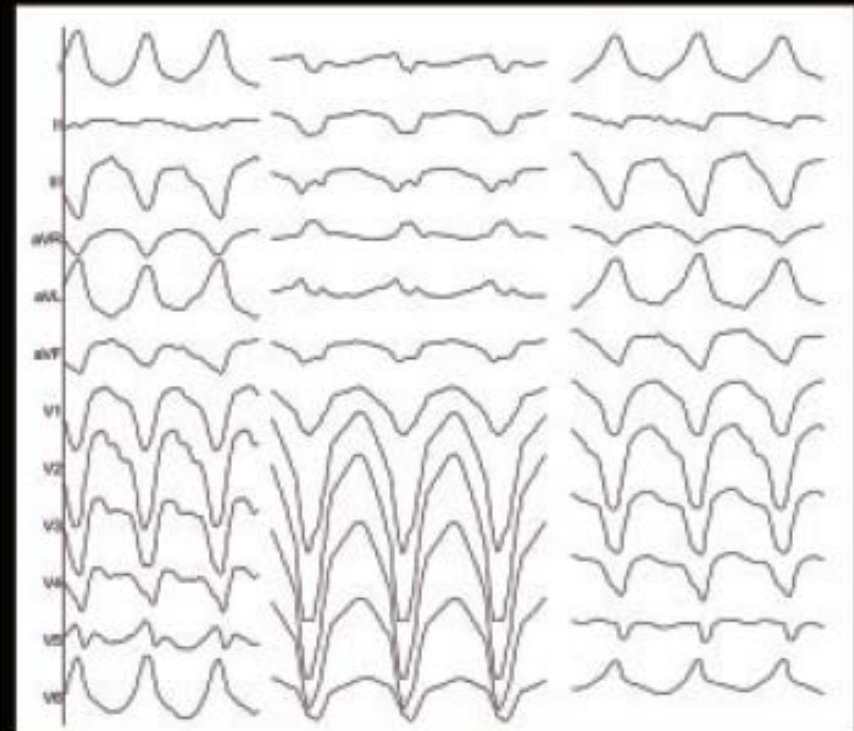


No inducible VF

VT1

VT2

VT3



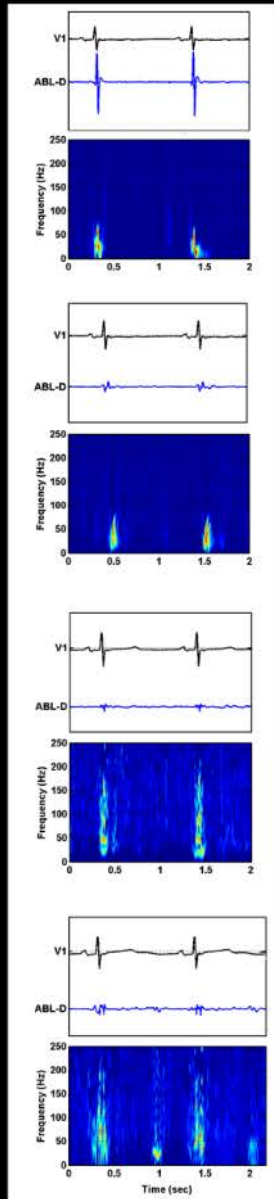
Horizontal Epi Scar: VF dominant

1. Normal

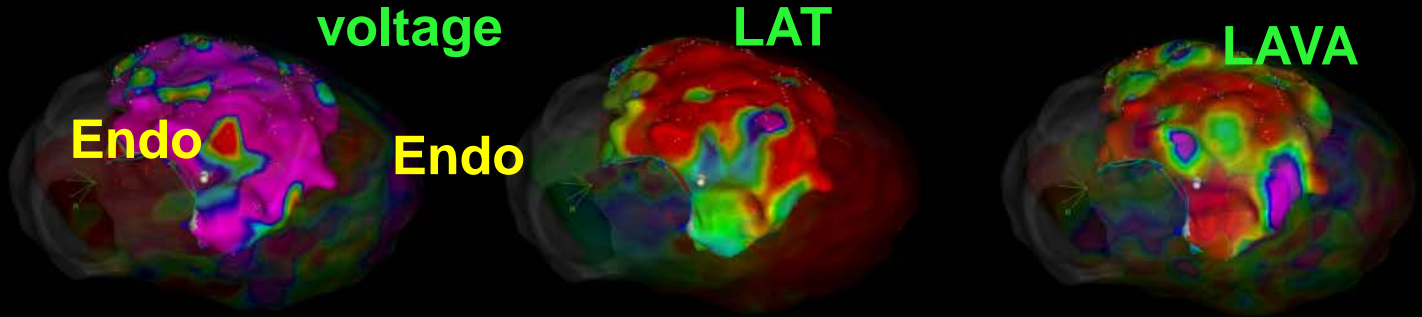
2. LVZ, normal HHT

3. LVZ, high HHT

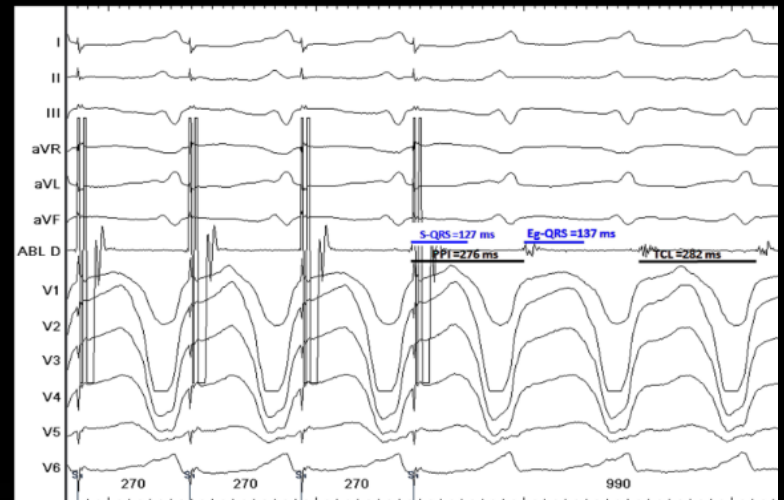
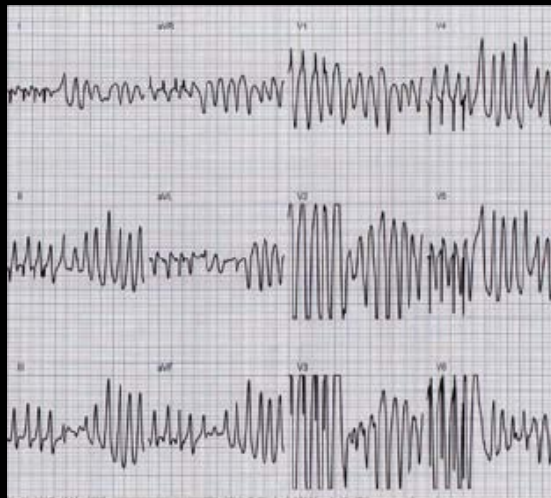
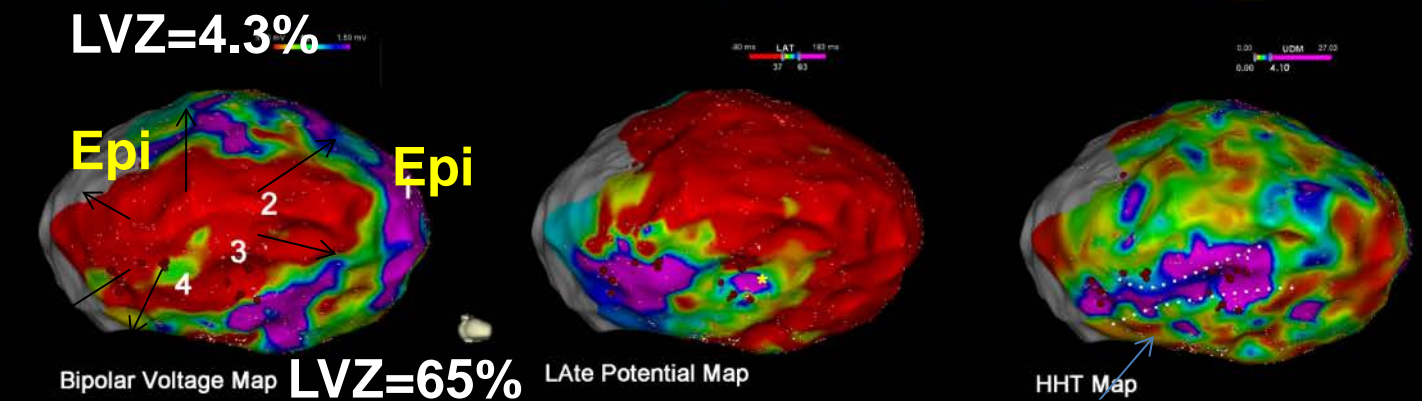
4. LVZ, LP, high HHT



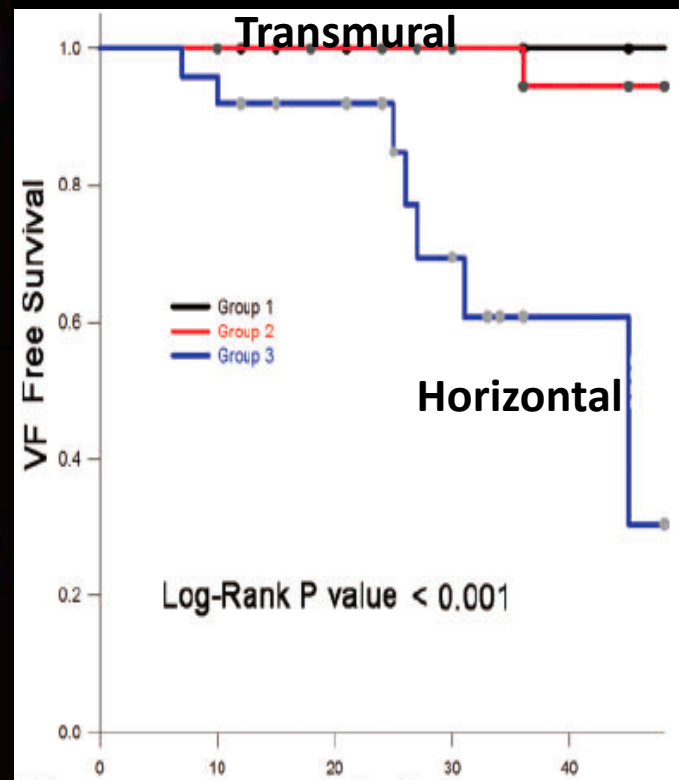
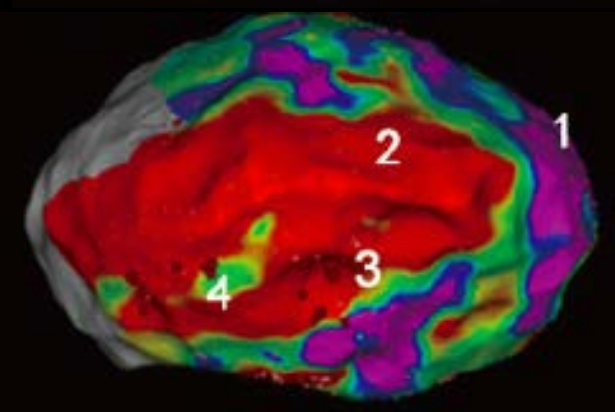
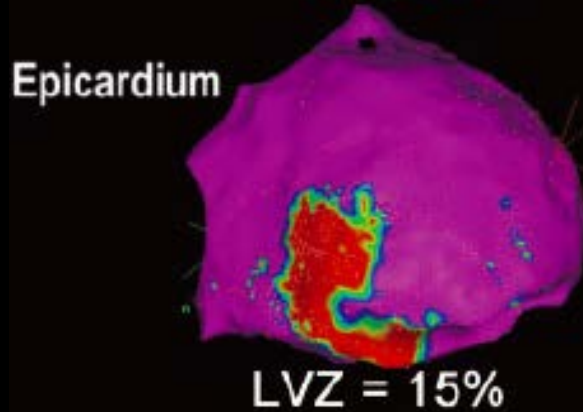
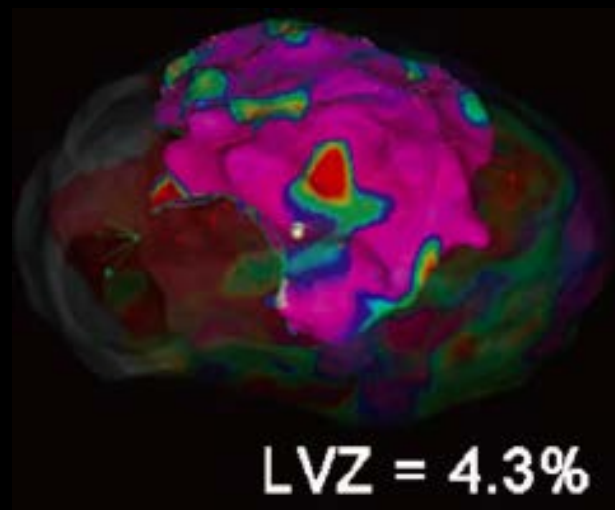
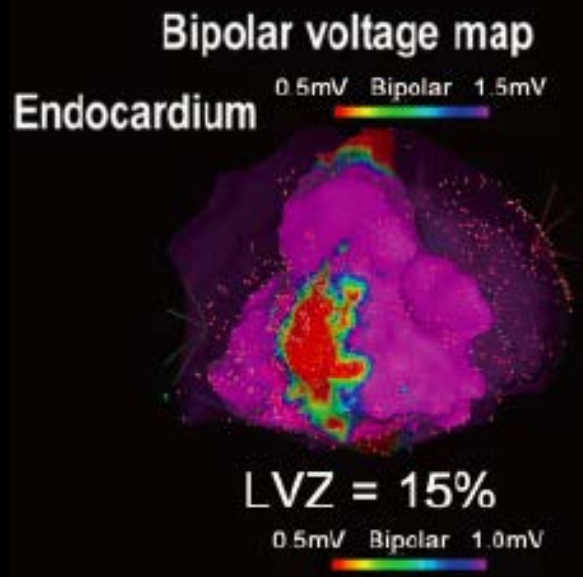
Endocardium



Epicardium



Scar distribution: VF predictor

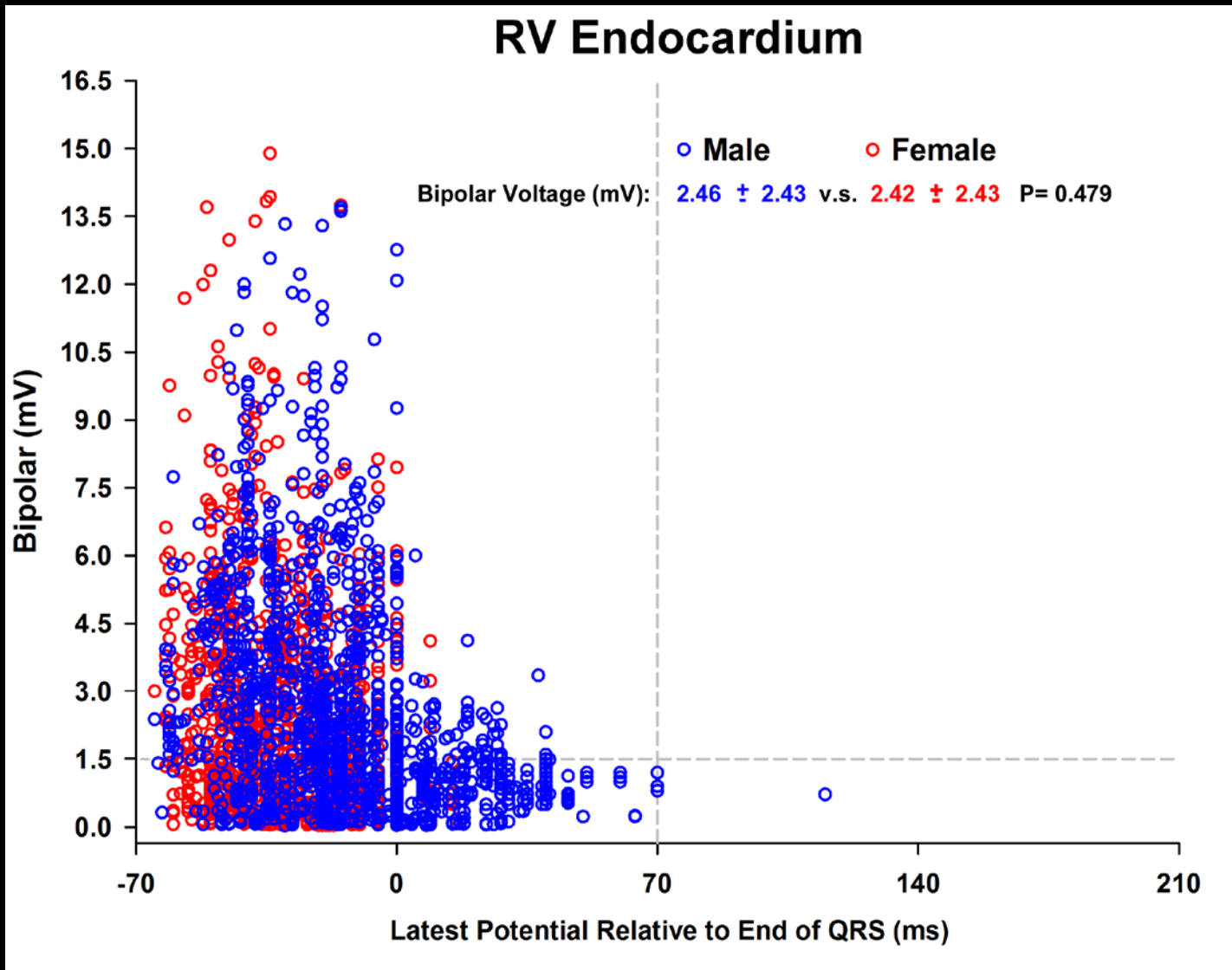


Transmural Scar

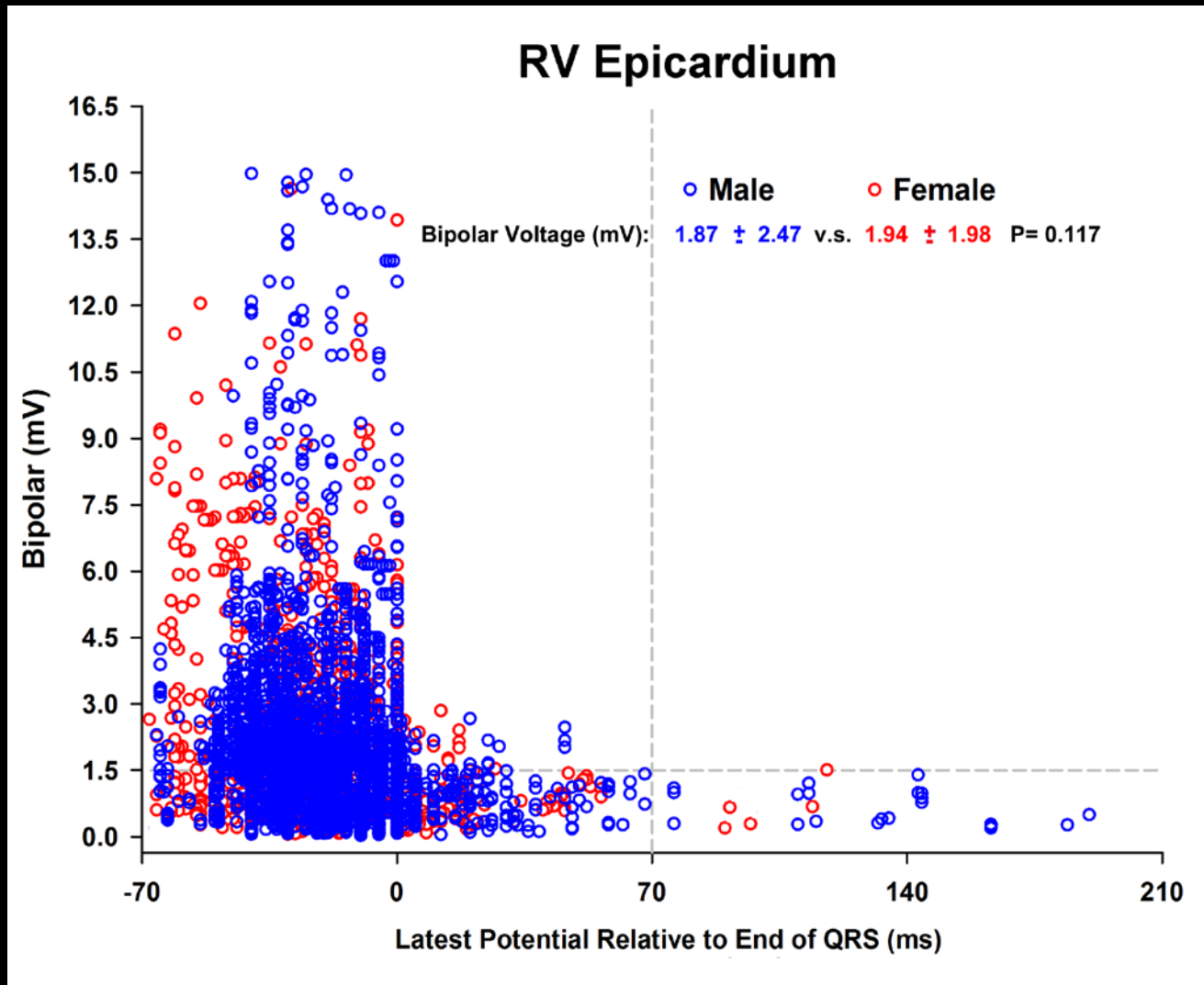
Horizontal scar

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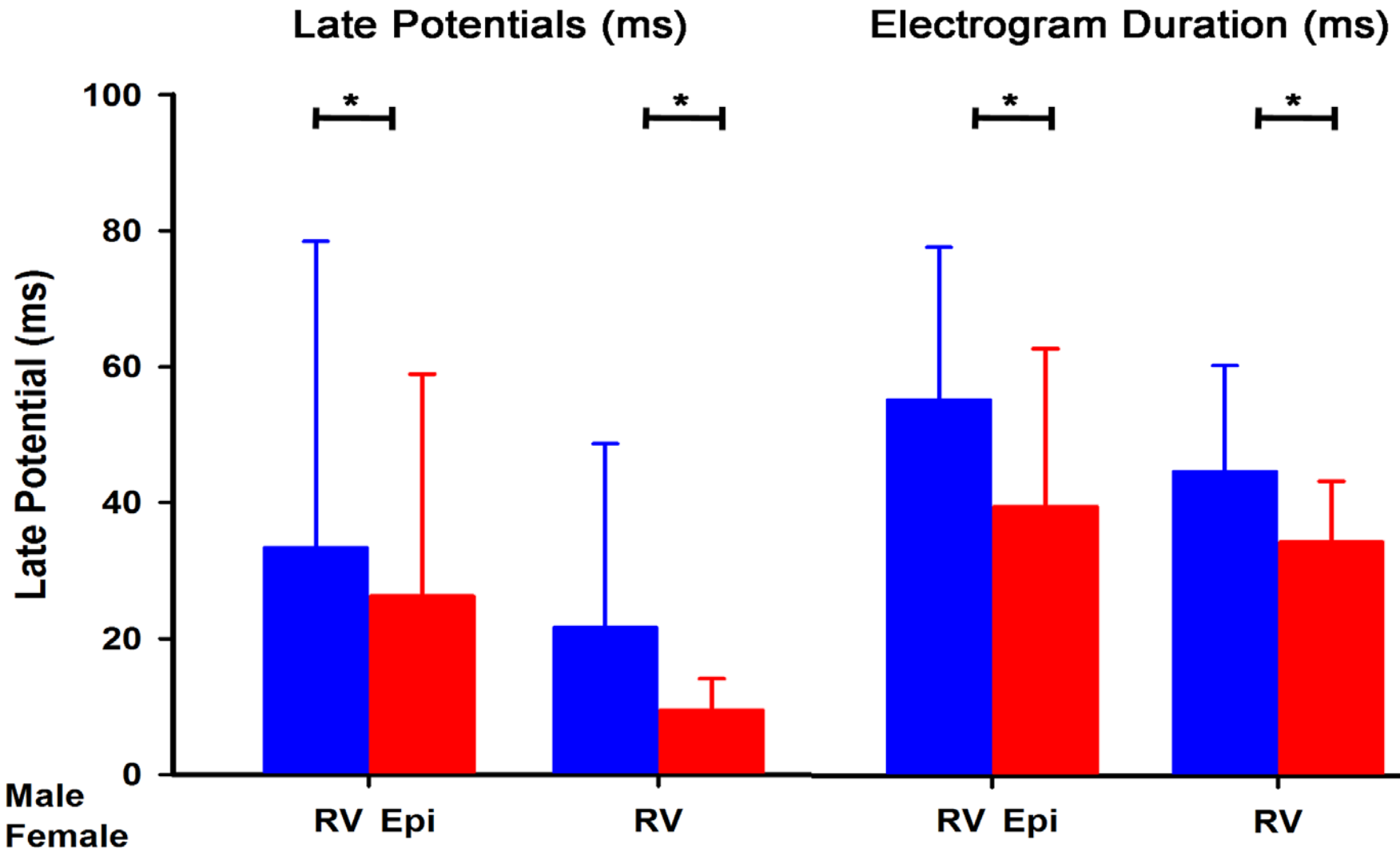
Endocardial Substrate: M vs. F



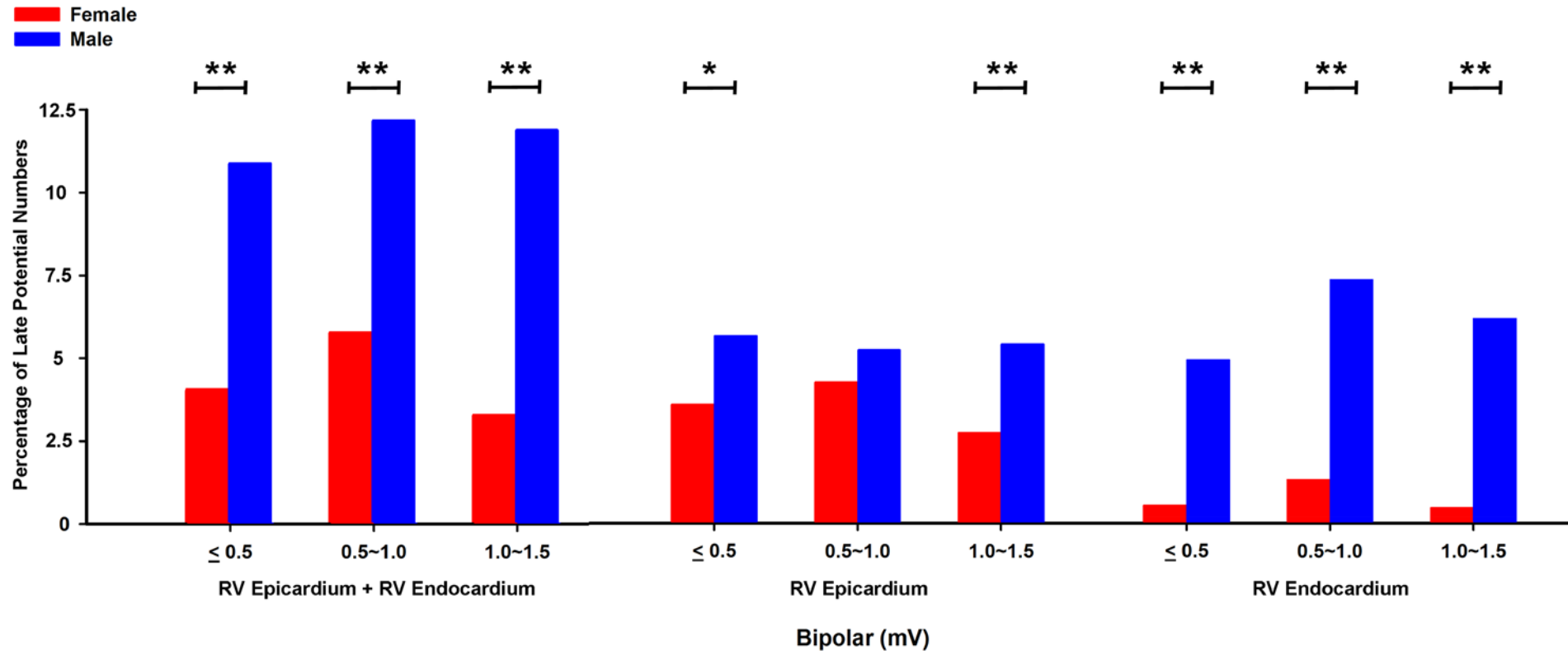
Epicardial Substrate: M vs. F



Gender & Abnormal Potentials



Gender : Late Potentials Within LVZ

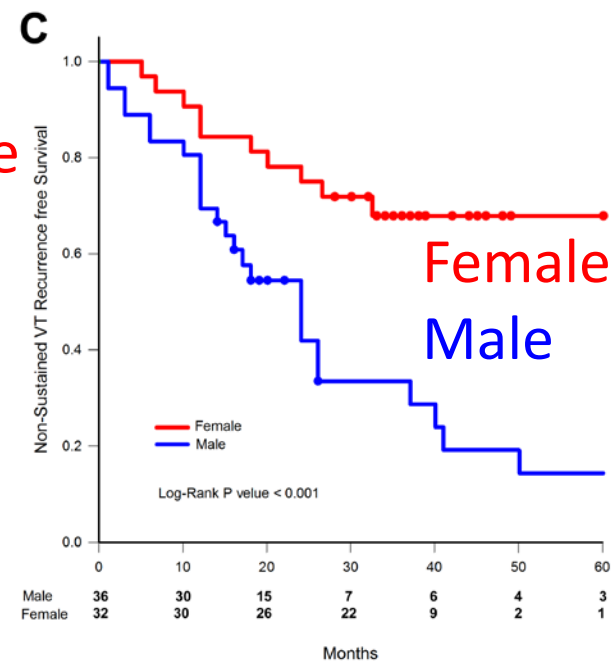
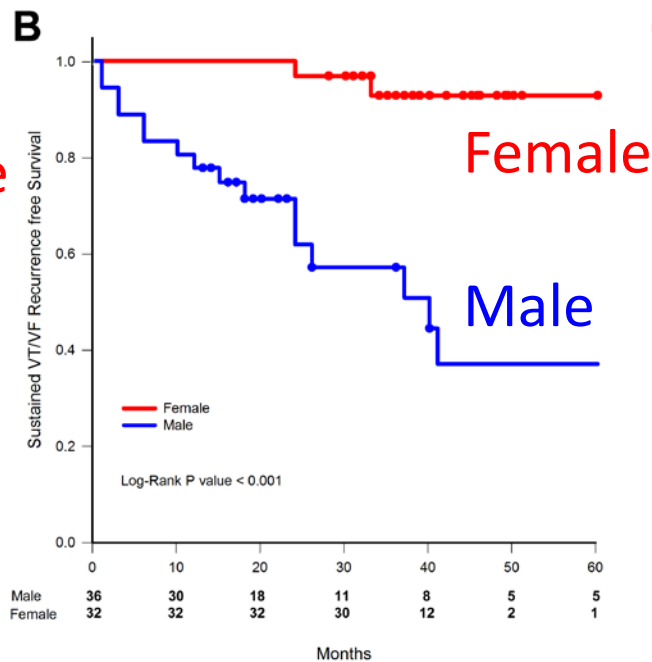
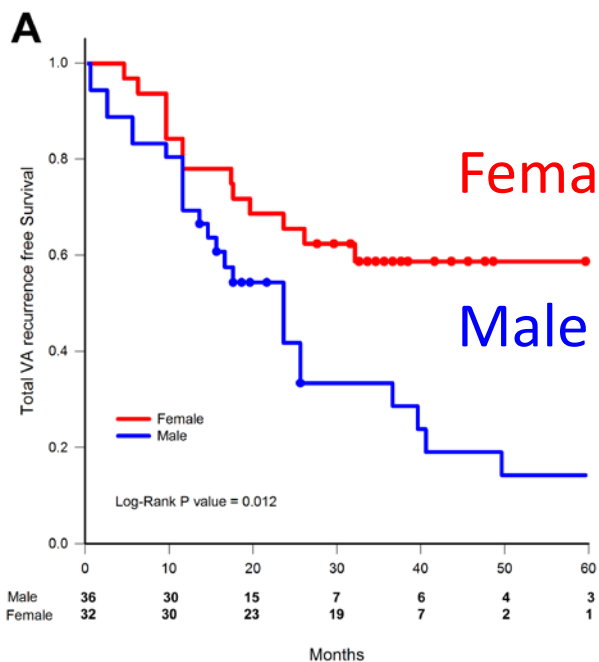


Gender : Follow-Up of VA Recurrence

Total VA

VT/VF

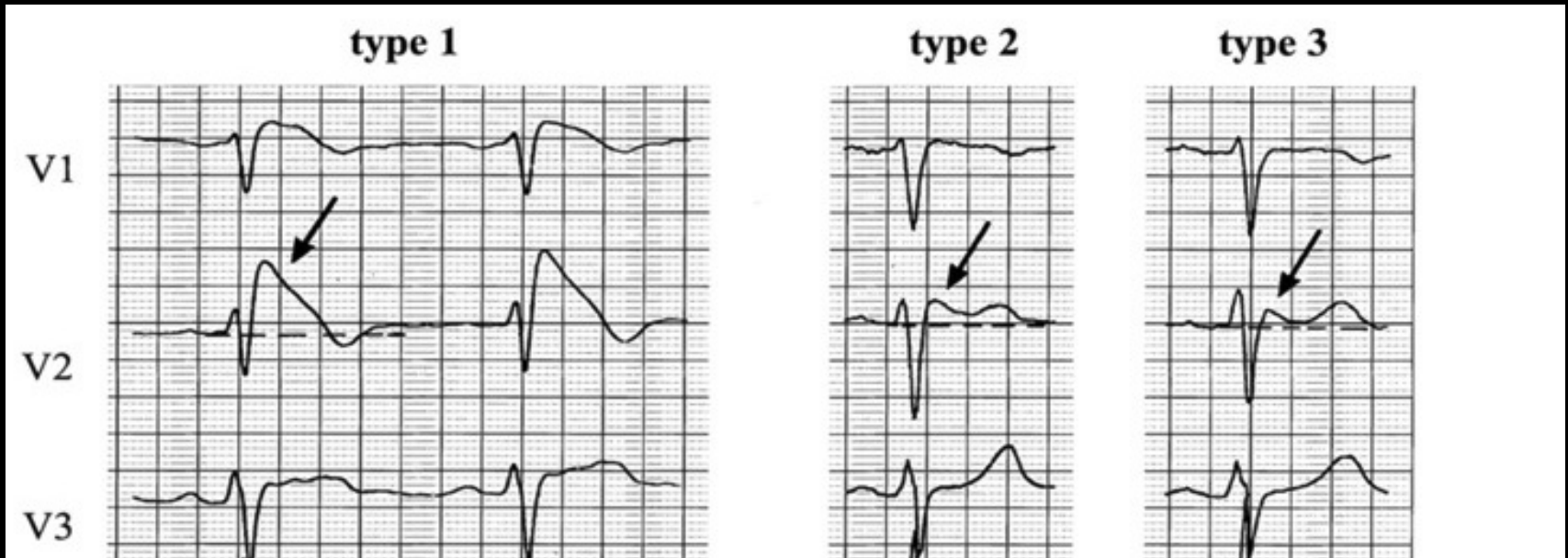
NSVT



After Multivariate analysis:

Male gender and the late potential area independently predicted VA recurrences after successful RFCA.

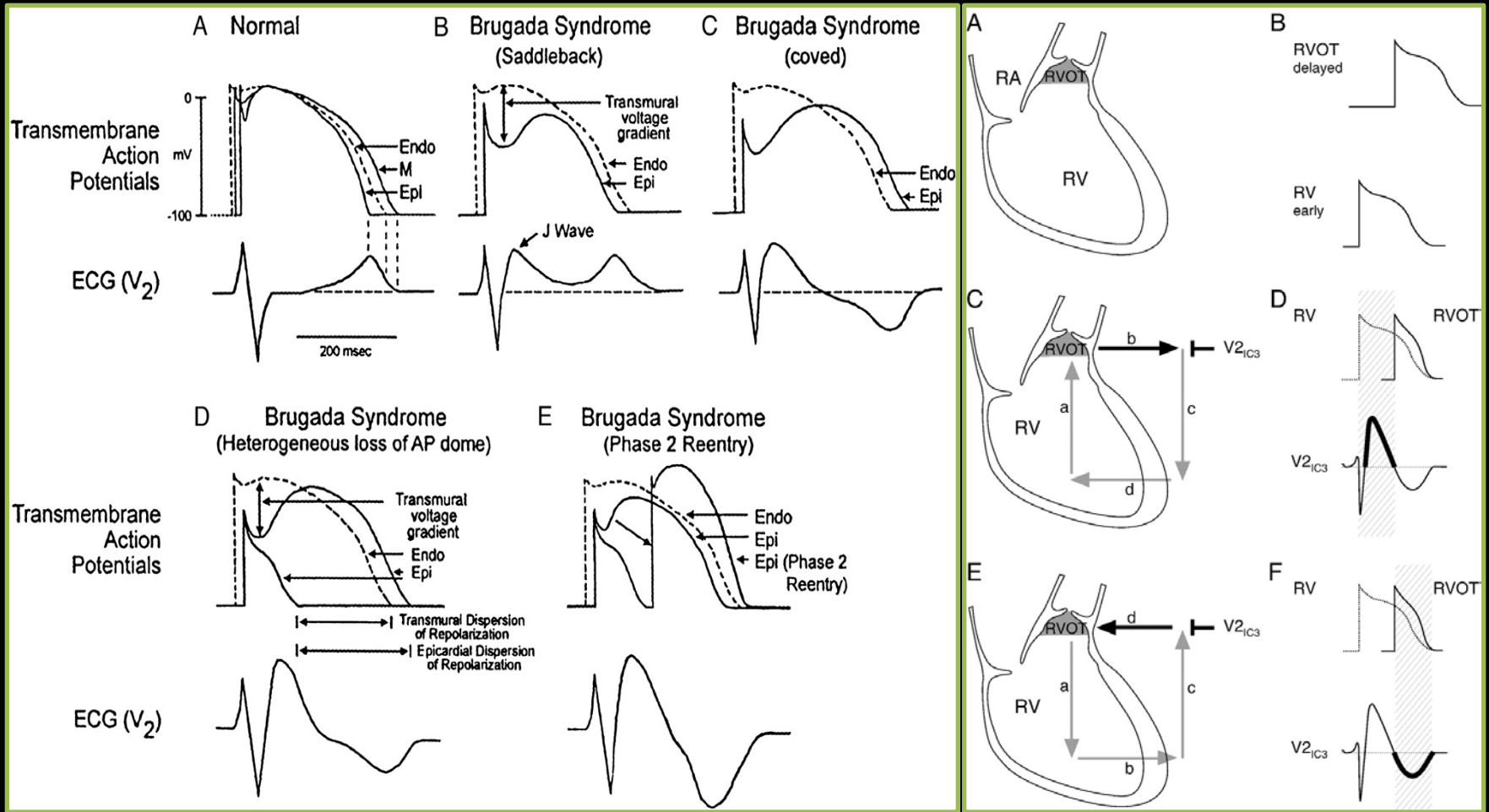
Electrocardiographic features of BrS



ST Segment abnormalities in leads V1-V3

	Type 1	Type 2	Type 3
J wave amplitude	≥2mm	≥2mm	≥2mm
T wave	-	+/-	+
ST-T configuration	coved	saddleback	saddleback
ST segment (terminal portion)	gradually descending	elevated ≥1mm	elevated <1mm

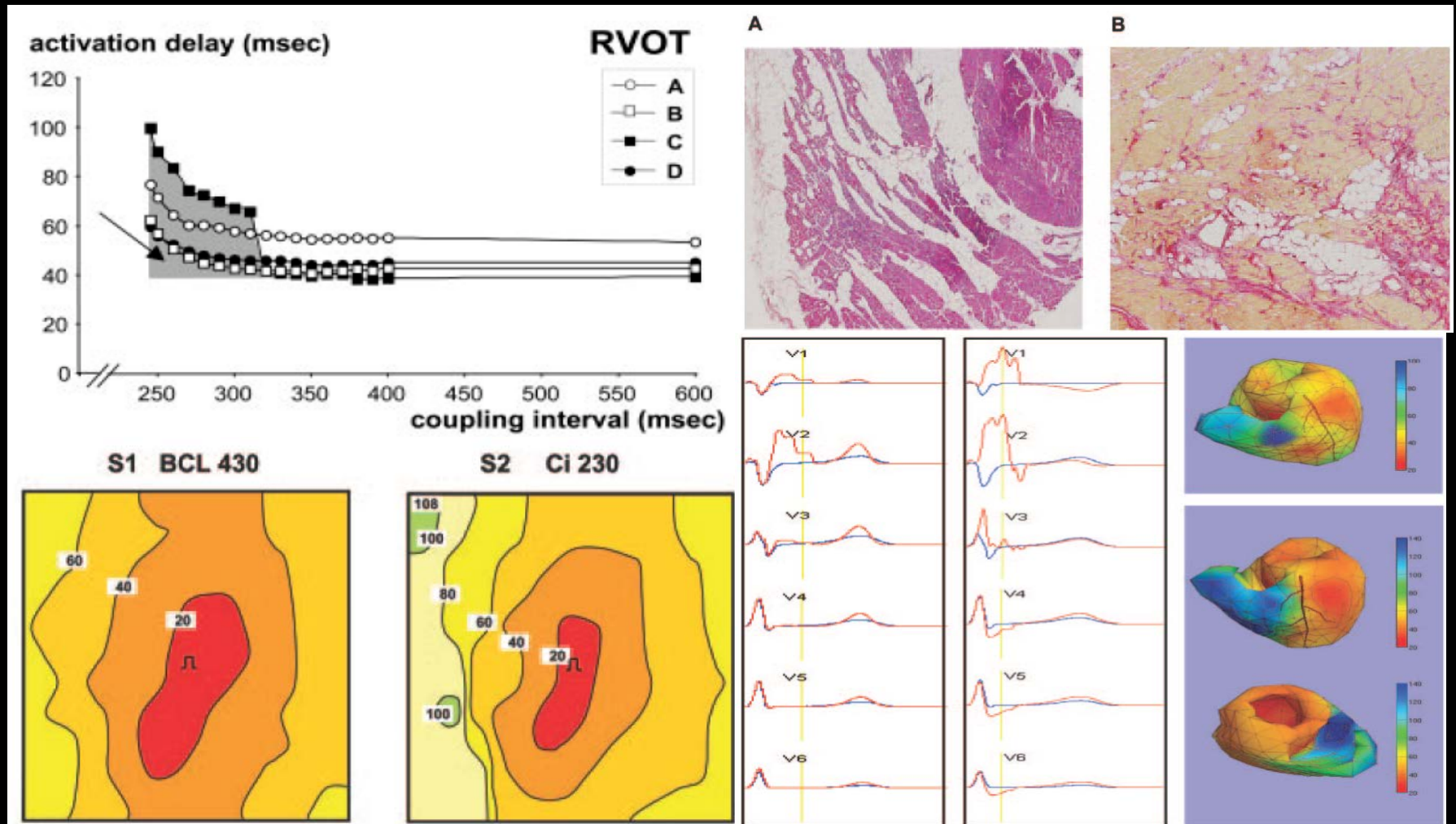
Pathophysiology of ECG features



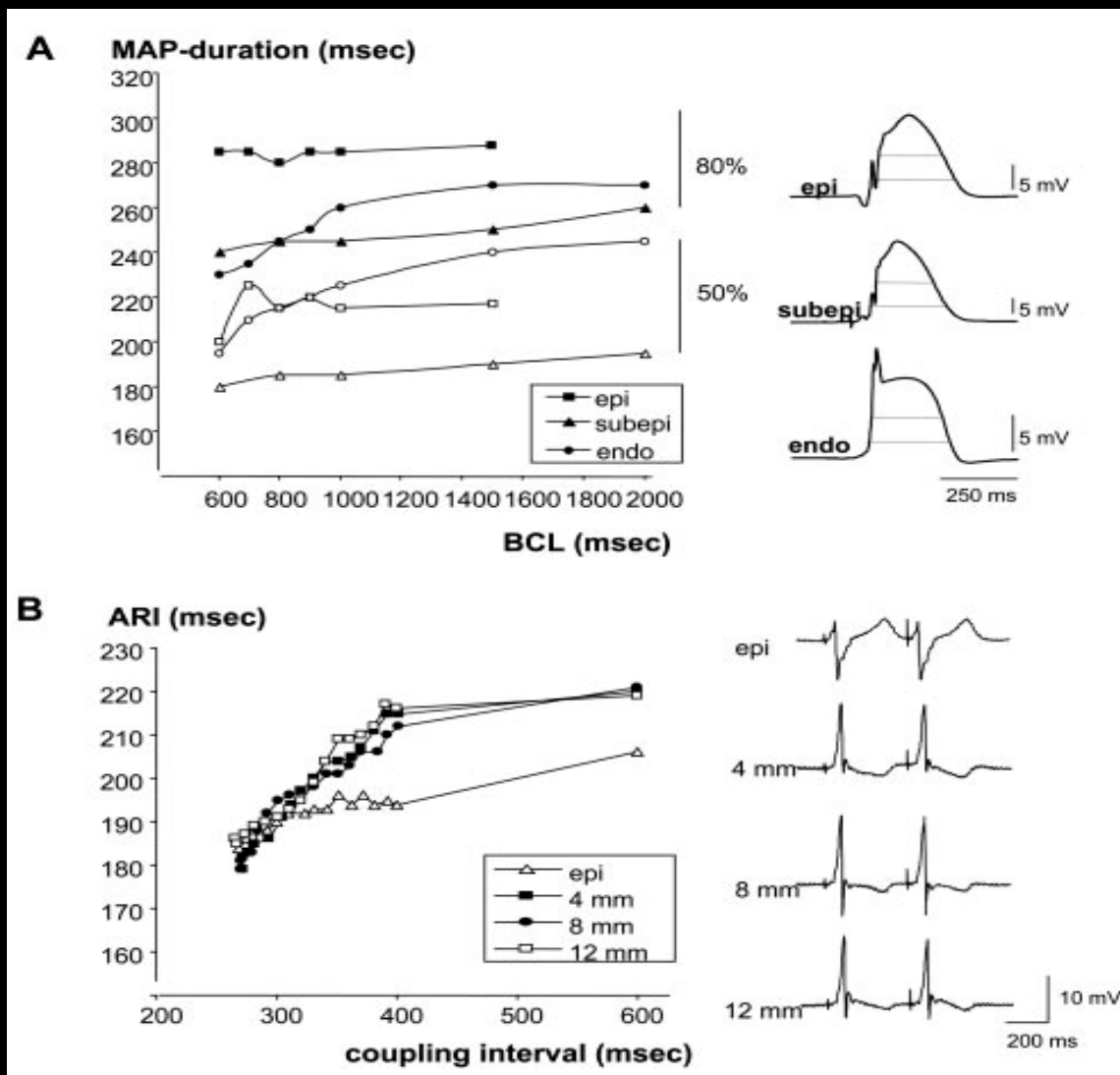
Repolarization hypothesis

Depolarization hypothesis

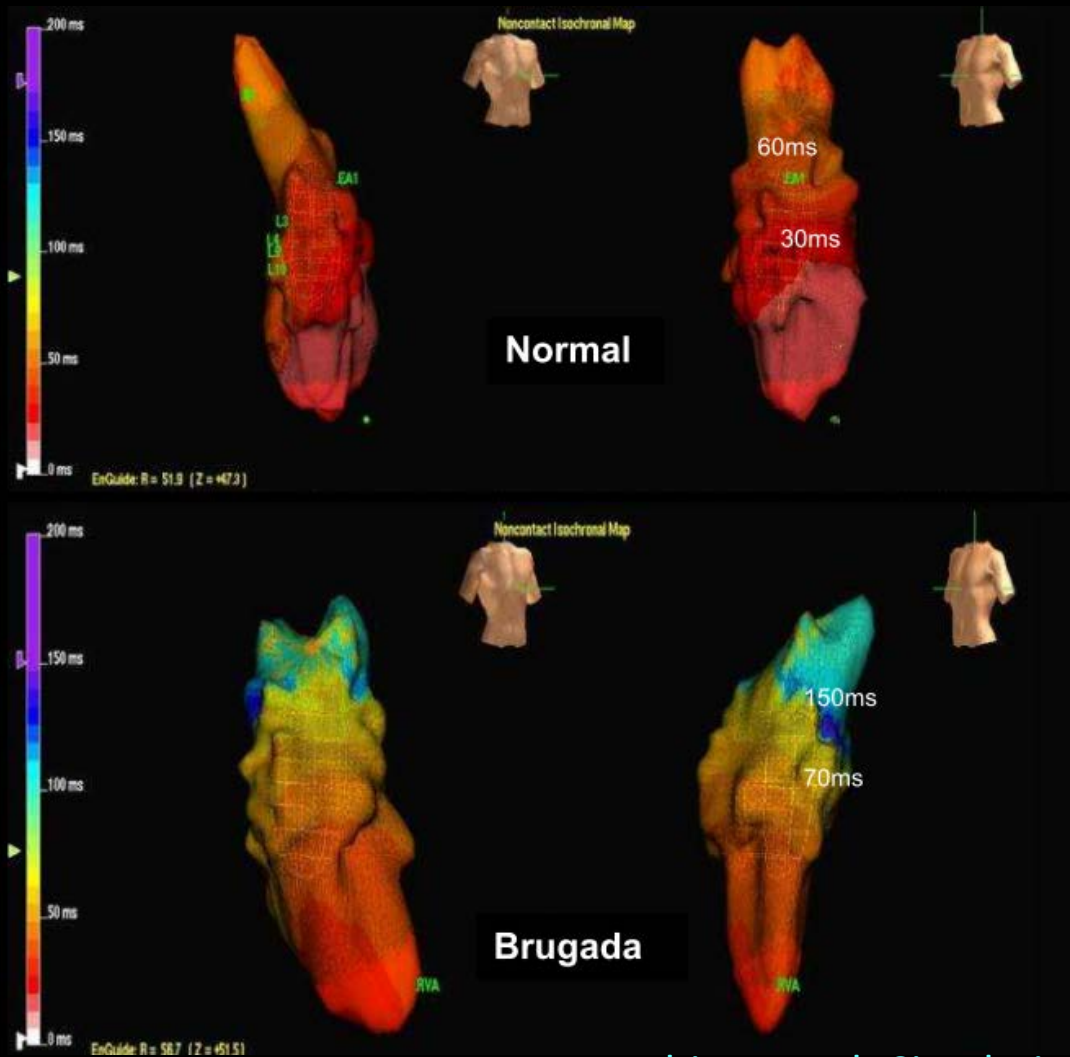
Right Ventricular Fibrosis and Conduction Delay in a Patient With Clinical Signs of Brugada Syndrome



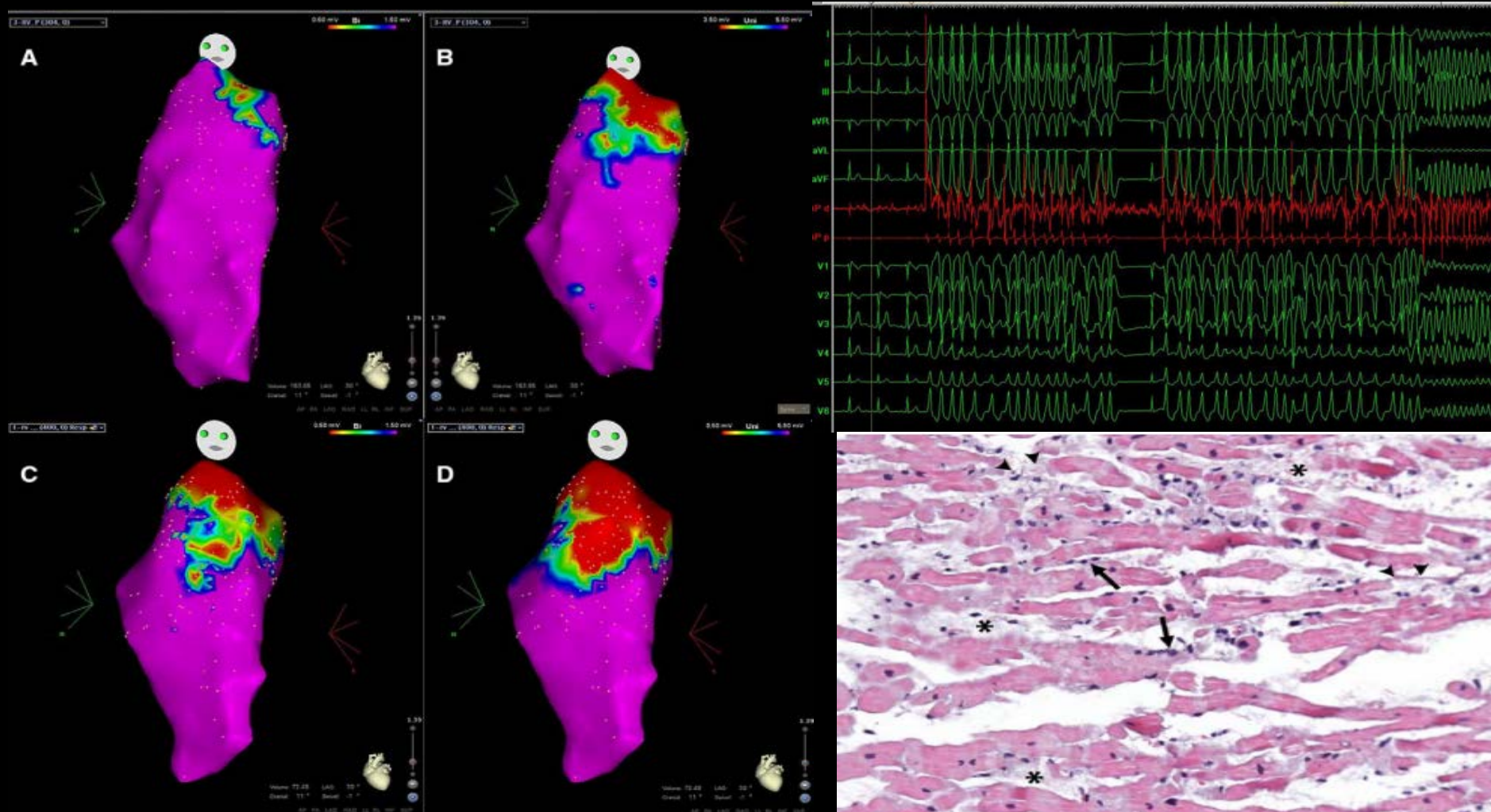
Lacking of transmural gradient



Conduction delay in BrS



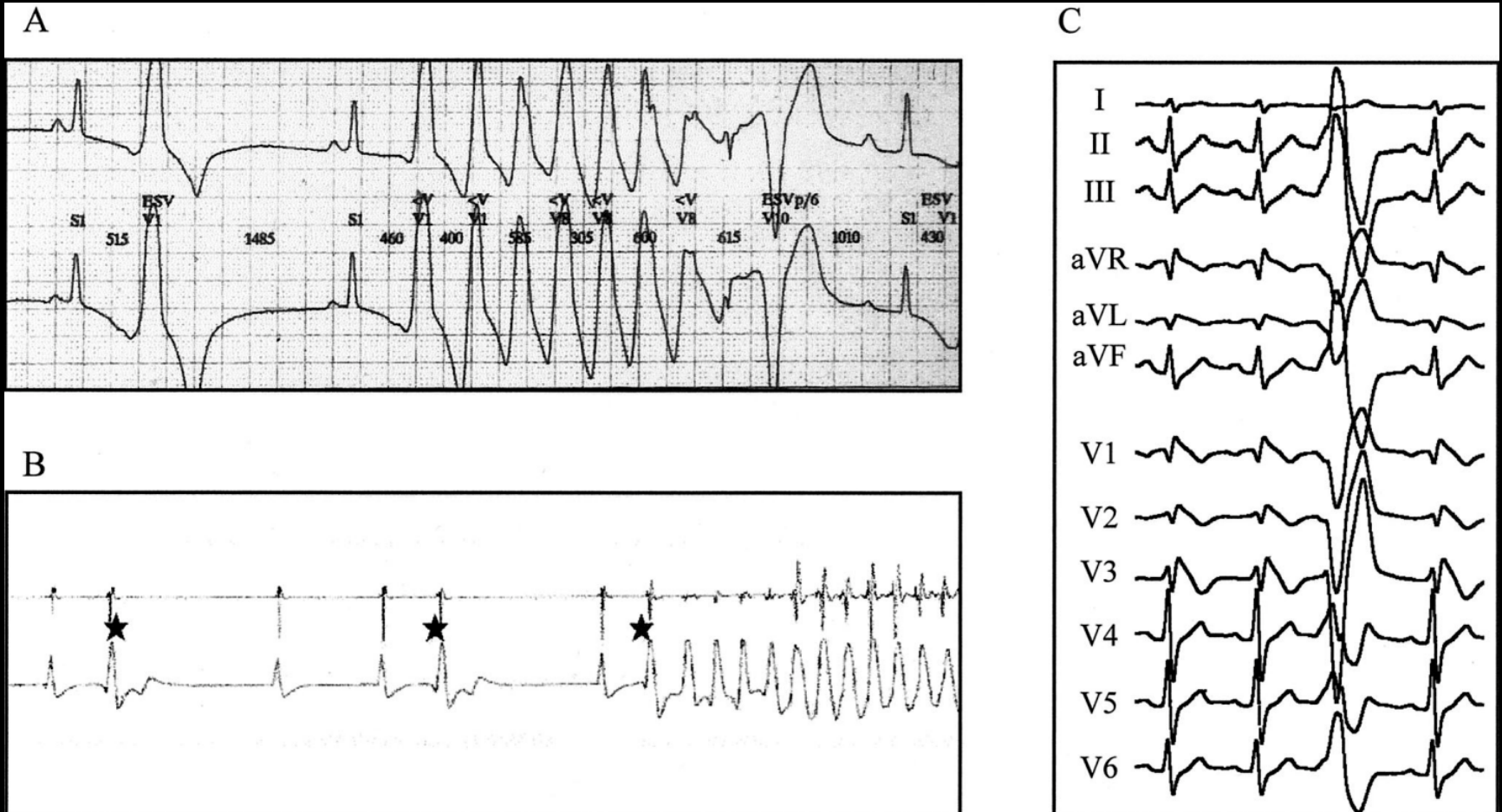
Progression of Electroanatomic Substrate in BrS patients



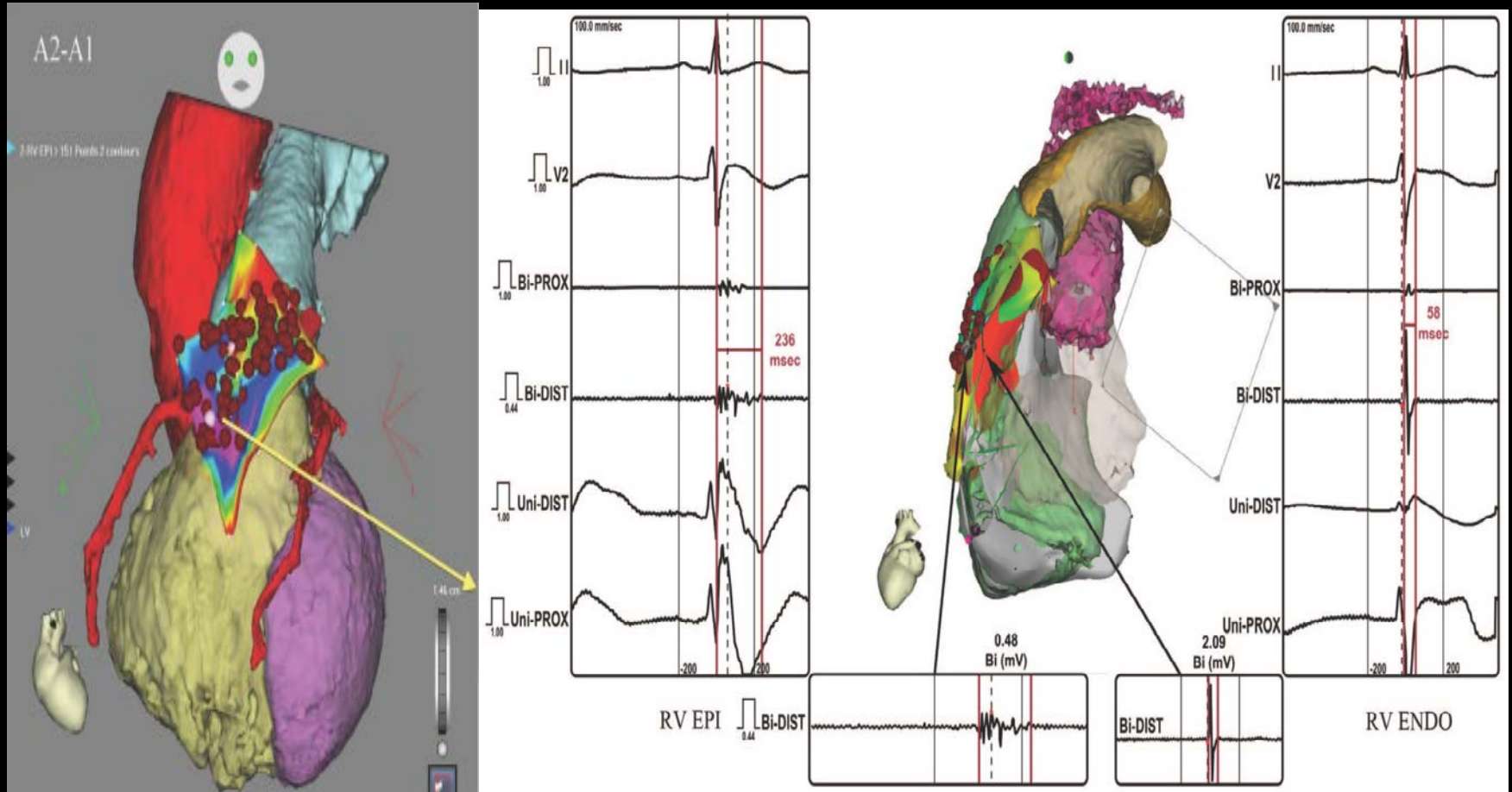
Role of Catheter Ablation

- Triggers
- Abnormal substrates within RVOT/RV free wall
- Elimination of phenotype

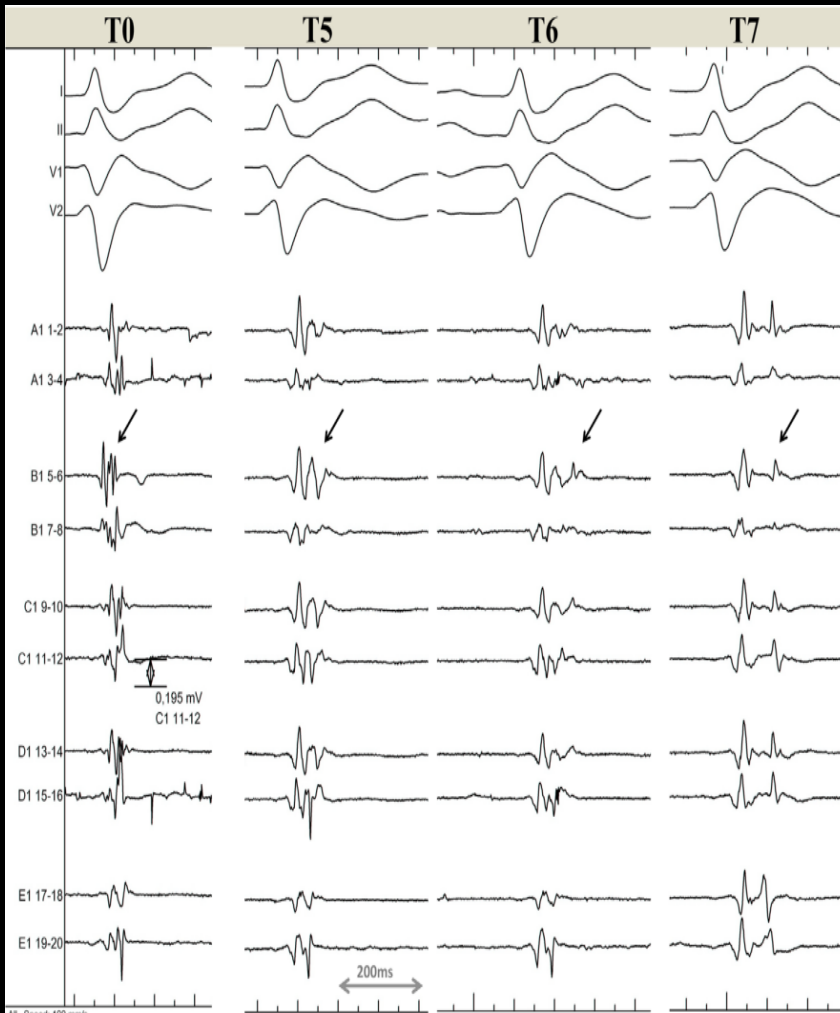
Triggers in BrS



Substrate modification of fractionated signals within RVOT in BrS

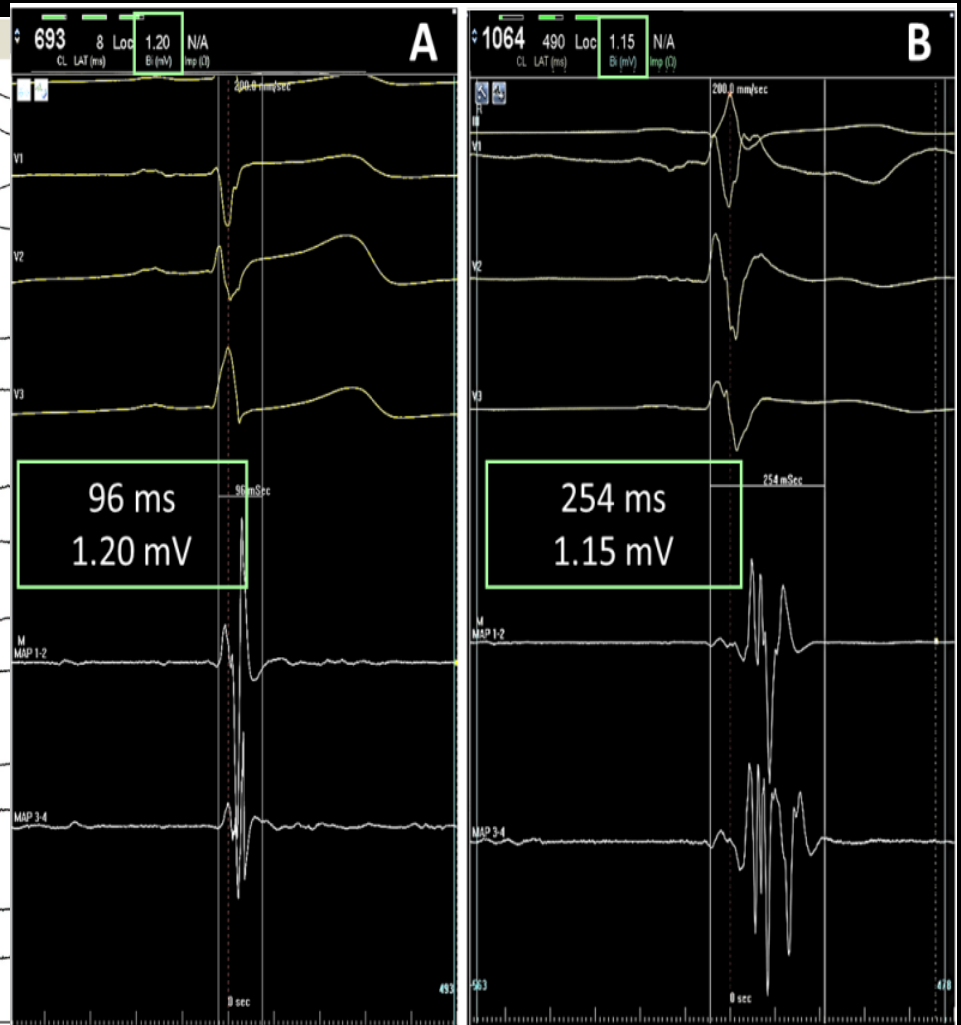


Functional properties of fractionated components



Ajamaline test

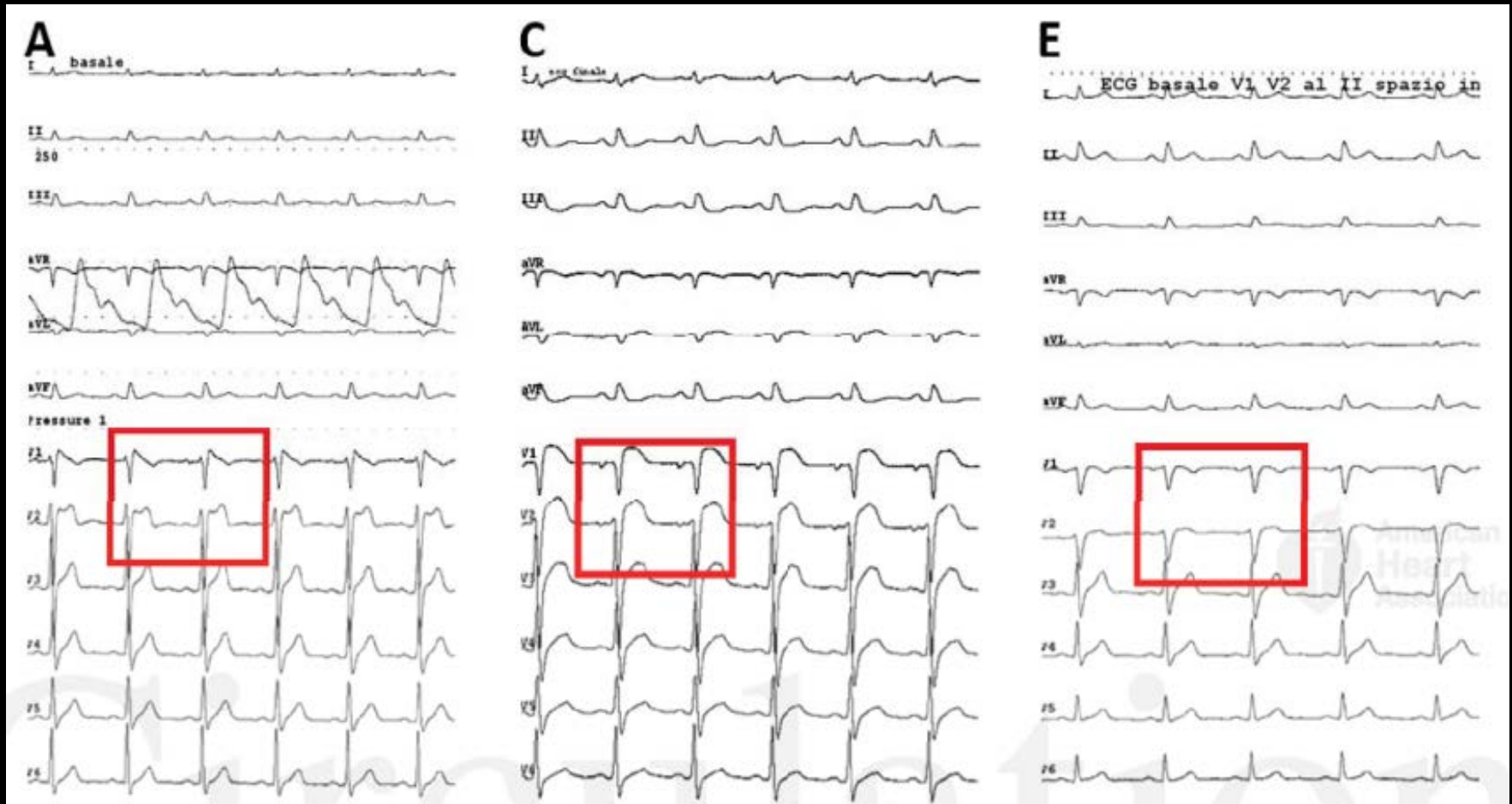
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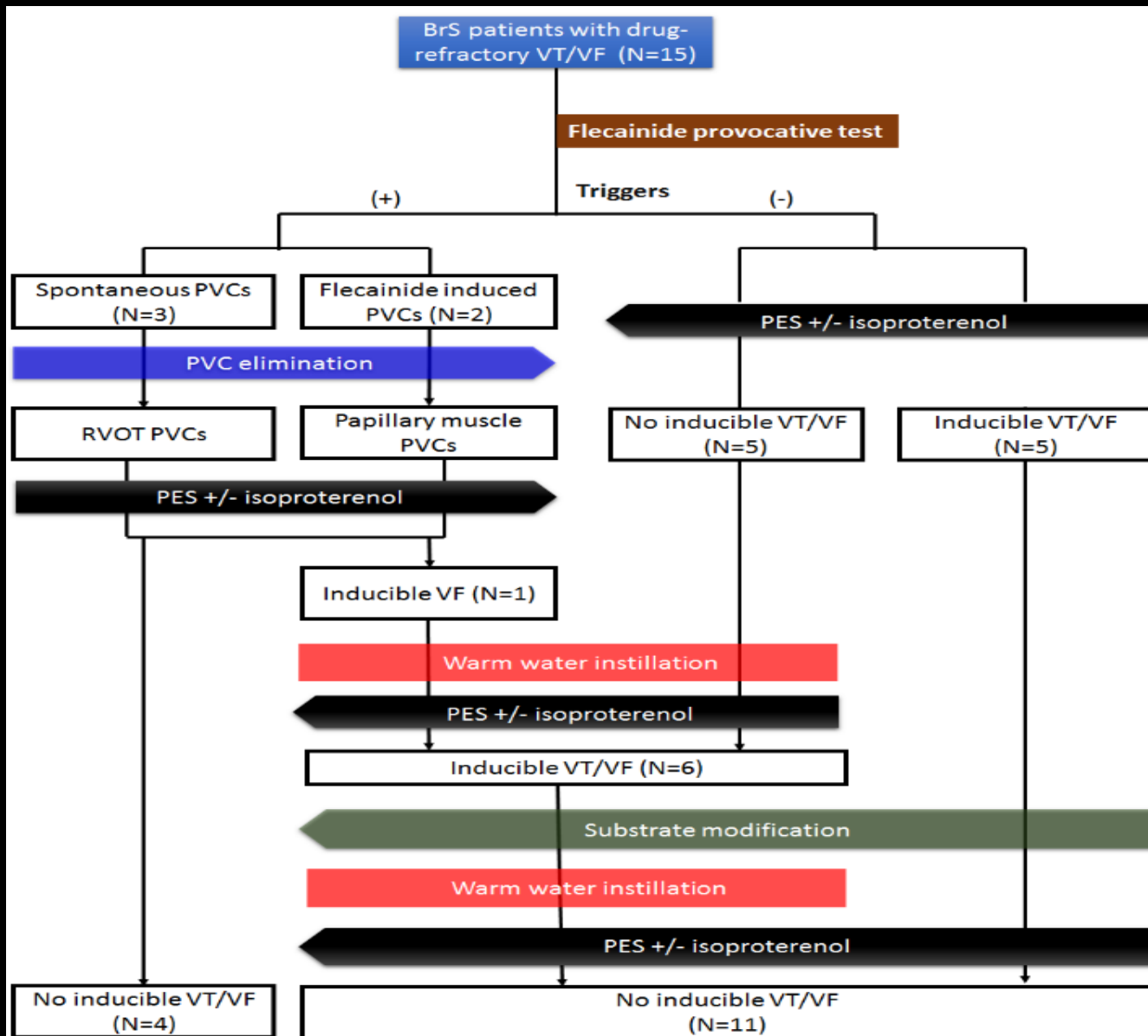
Flecainide test

Brugada et al. Circulation 2015 Dec;8(6):1373-81

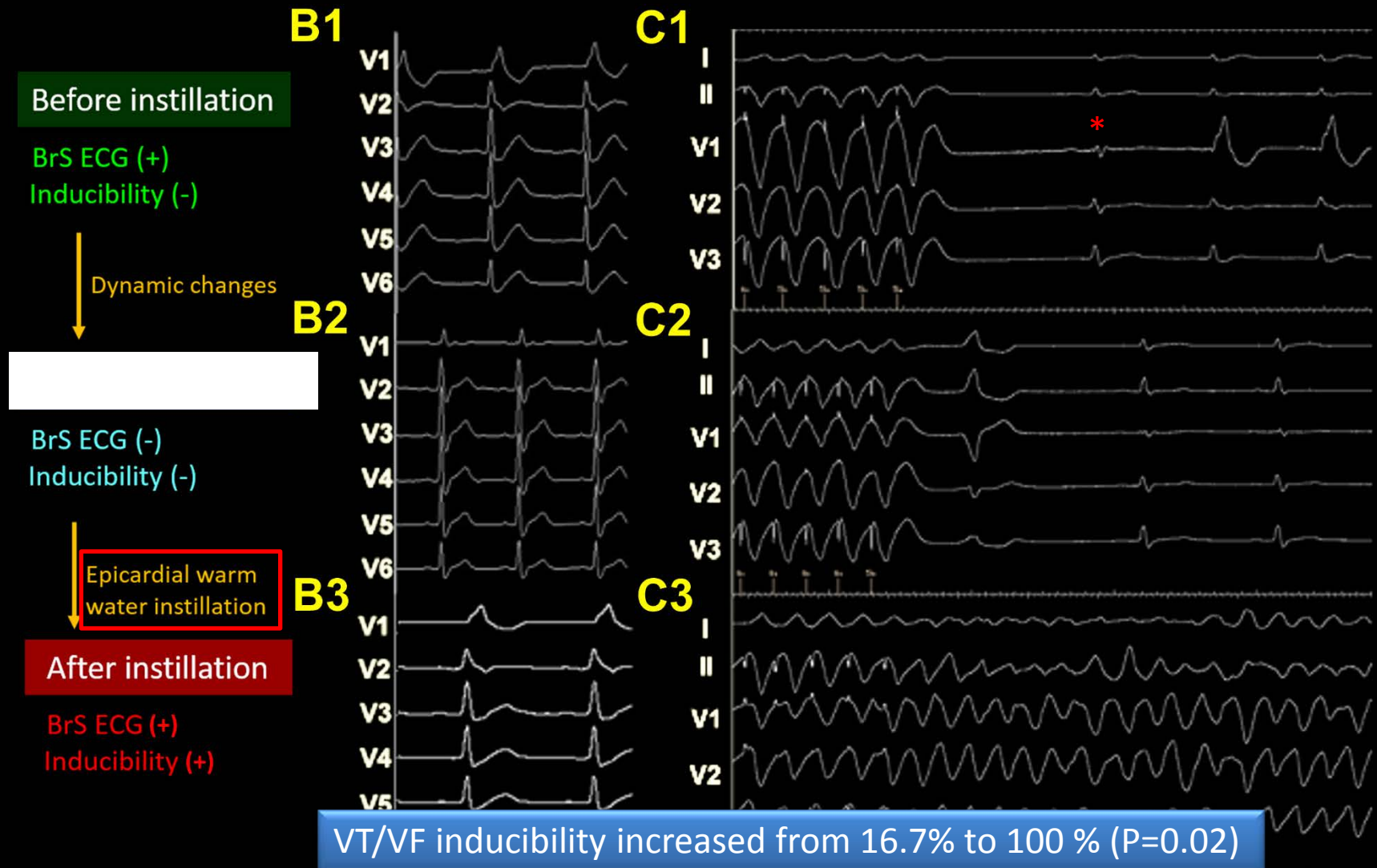
Brugada Syndrome Phenotype Elimination by Epicardial Substrate Ablation



Ablation strategies in VGH

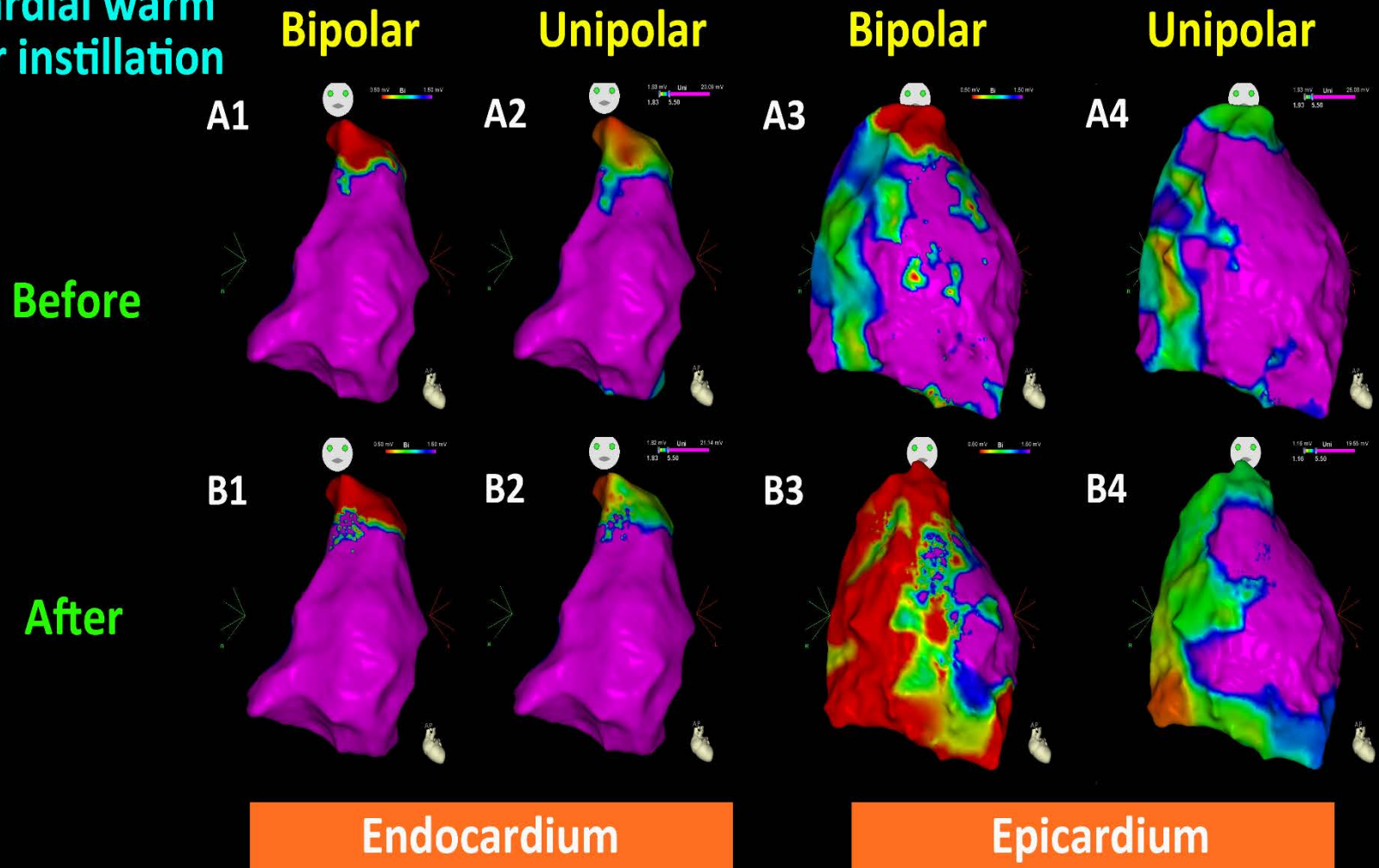


Effects of epicardial warm water instillation on BrS phenotype and VT/VF inducibility



Changes of functional substrates after epicardial warm water instillation (Example 1)

Epicardial warm water instillation



Changes of epicardial area with abnormal Electrograms

Before instillation

BrS ECG (+)
Inducibility (-)

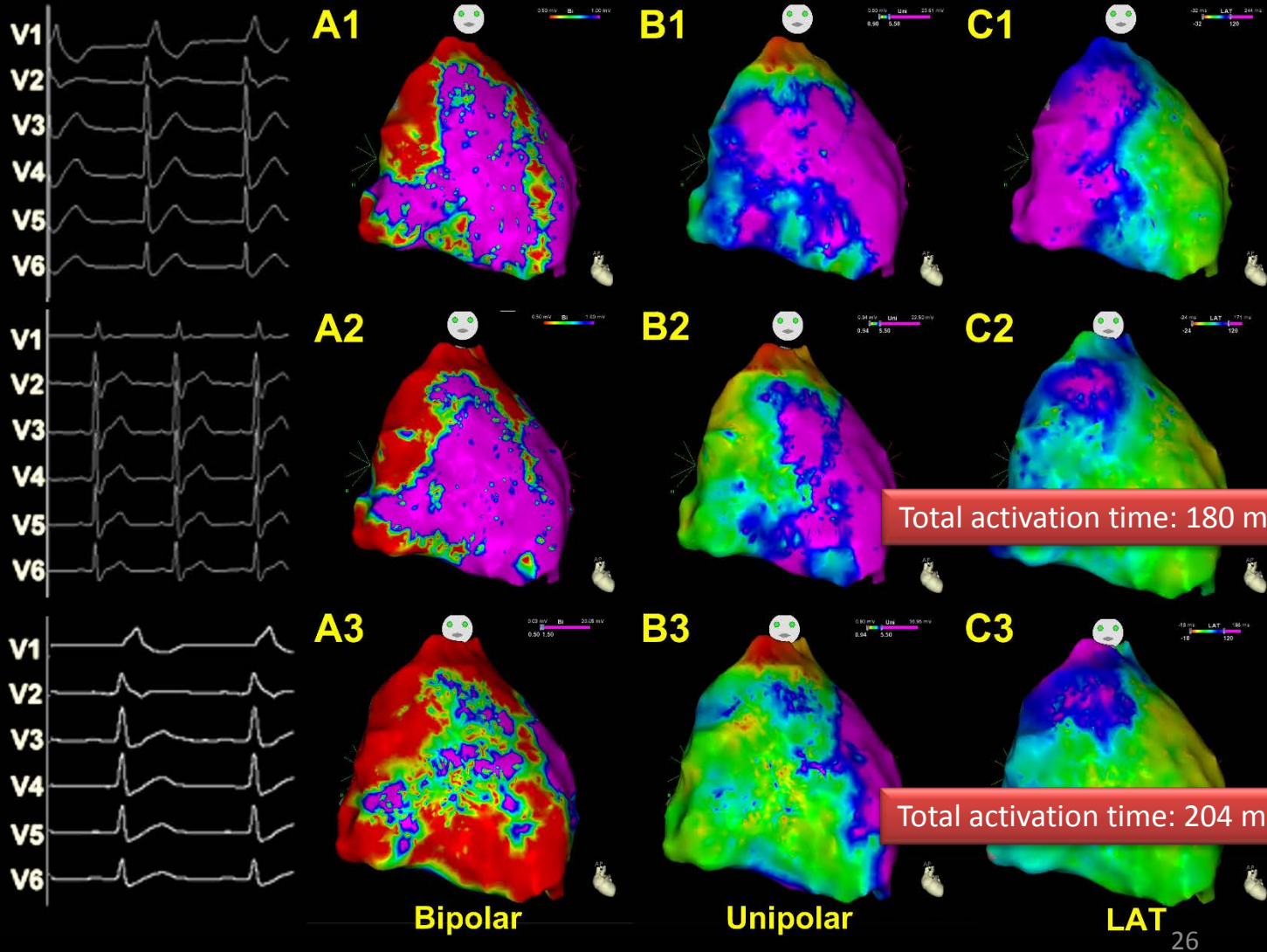
Dynamic changes

BrS ECG (-)
Inducibility (-)

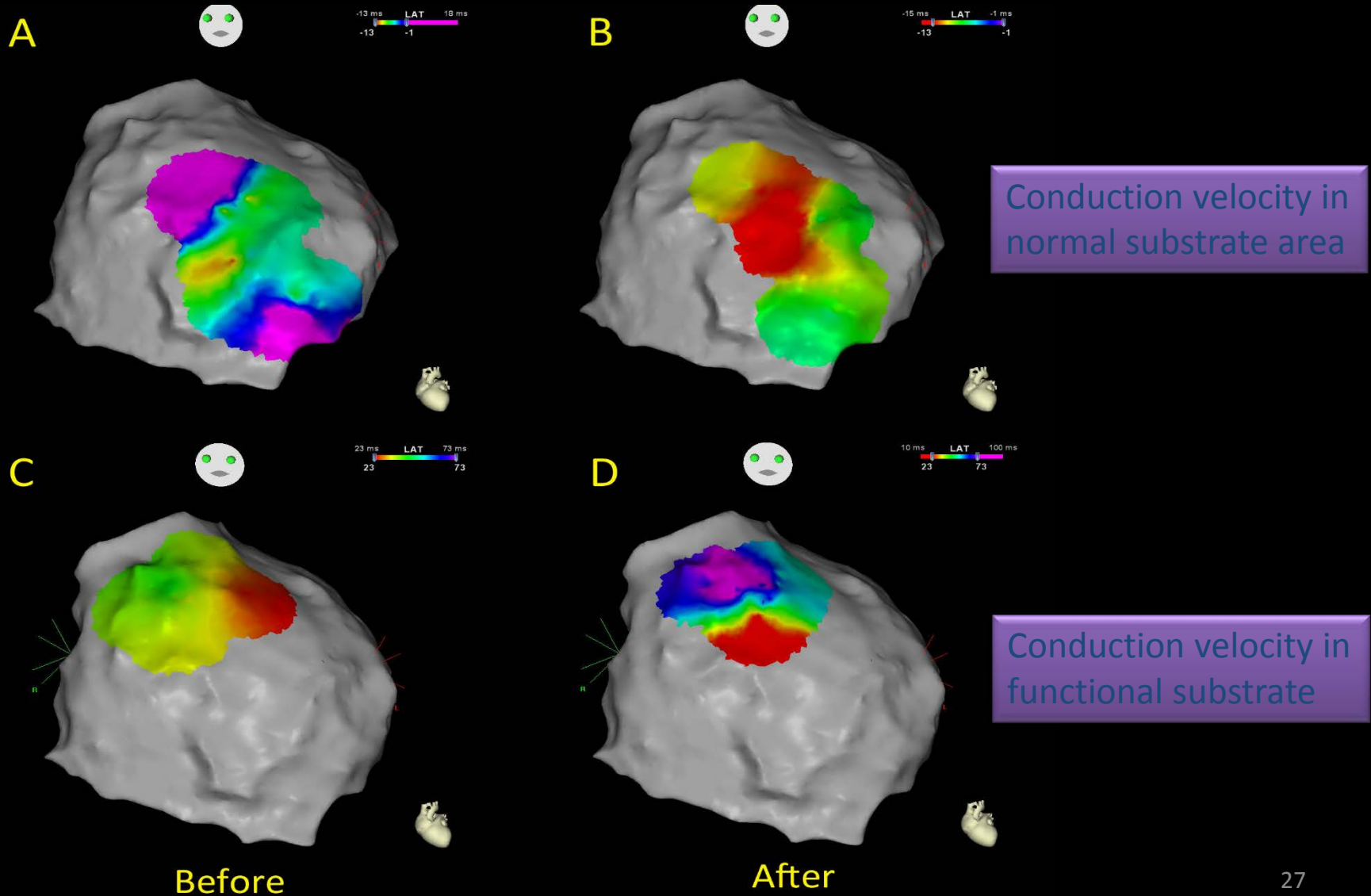
Epicardial warm
water instillation

After instillation

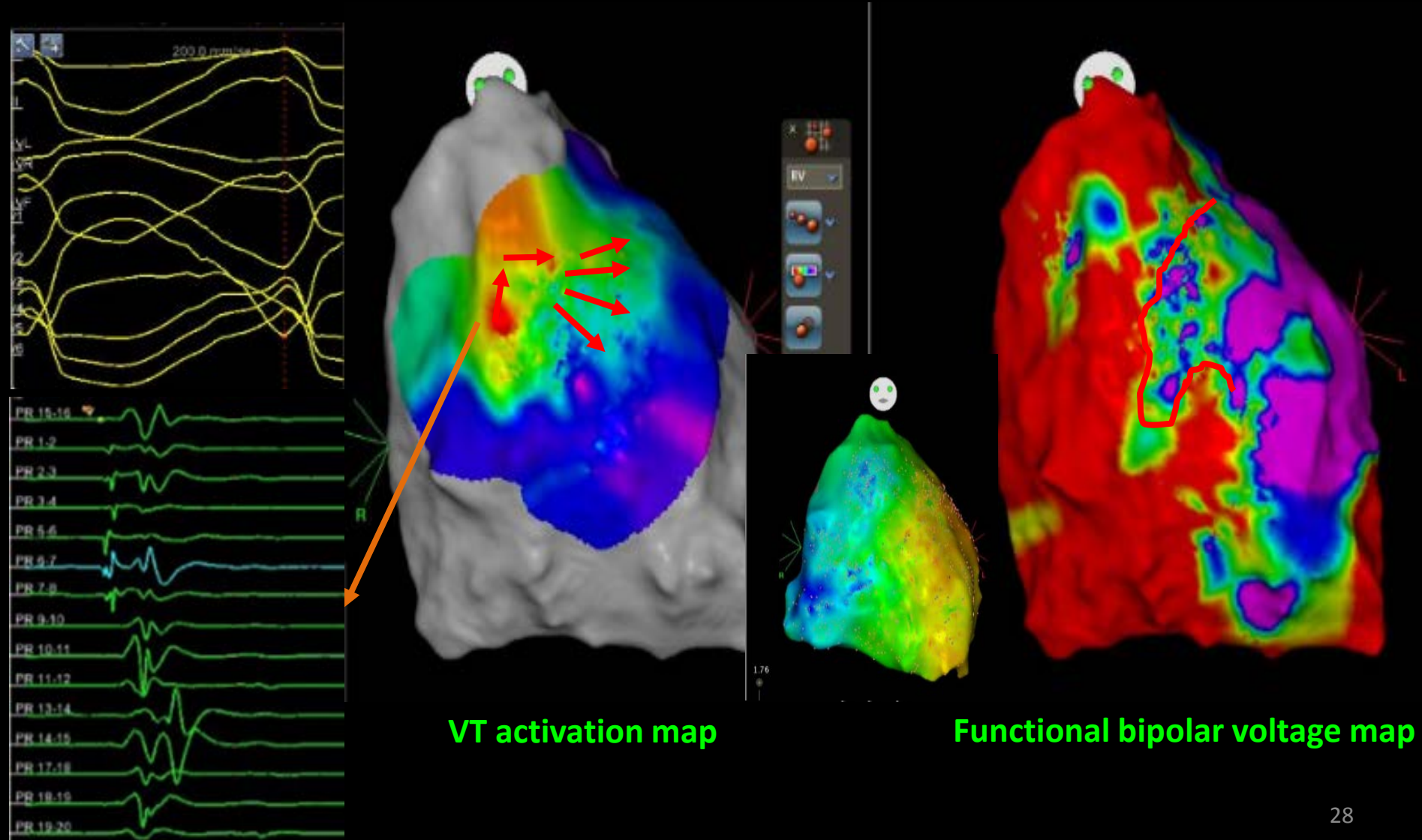
BrS ECG (+)
Inducibility (+)



Changes of conduction velocity after epicardial warm water instillation



Mapping of ventricular tachycardia in BrS: Correlation between circuit and functional substrates¹



Efficacy of RFCA in BrS

	Haïssaguerre et al.	Nademanee et al.	Brugada et al.	Chen et al.
No. of patients	3	9	14	16
Recurrences	0	1	0	1
F/u months	17	20	5	59.9

Overall 42 patients with BrS receiving catheter ablation
2 recurrences.

Take Home Message - 1

- **Horizontal scar** rather than transmural scar distribution might be associated with fatal ventricular arrhythmia
- Regarding the substrate, **male** patients tended to have more **late potentials and longer abnormal potentials** within the LVZ .
- **Male** gender and the **late potential area** independently predicted VA recurrences after successful RFCA.

Take Home Message - 2

- Regional endocardial and epicardial **conduction delay and heterogeneity** contribute to the **depolarization and repolarization abnormalities** in BrS.
- Functional substrates and fractionated electrograms within **RVOT and RV free wall** could be enhanced by drug or warm water instillation
- Both ablation targeting **triggers and functional substrates** could yield promising clinical prognosis

Male gender and late potentials predict poor outcome

