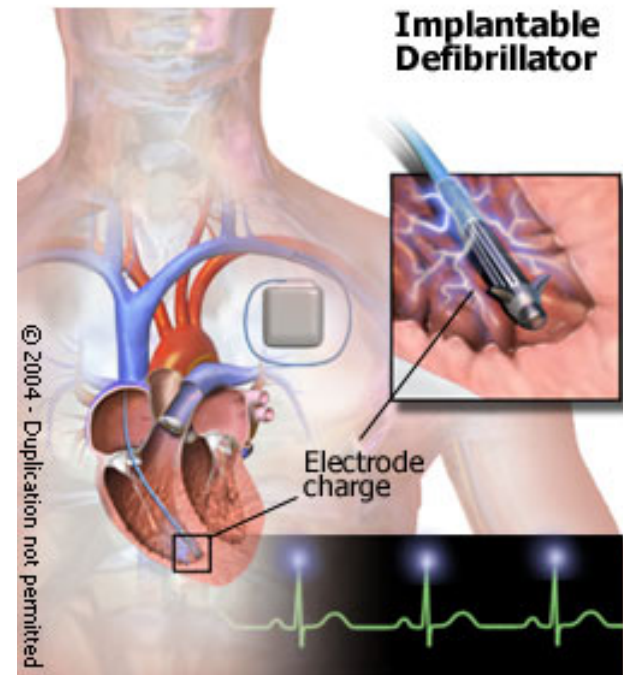


Pacing & ICD Overview

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- Indications for pacing
- Pacing systems & ECG recognition
- History ICD
- Indications for ICD
- ICD Overview
- Detection & Treatment of arrhythmias
- Interference
- Indications for Rehab

Indications for Pacing

- ACC/AHA/NASPE Guideline for implantation of cardiac pacemakers & anti-arrhythmic devices – 2002
- Sinus Node disease 25 %
- AV block 42 %
- SND & AVB 10 %
- AF & AVB 13 %
- Carotid & Vasovagal syndromes 10 %

Pacing – The USCI code

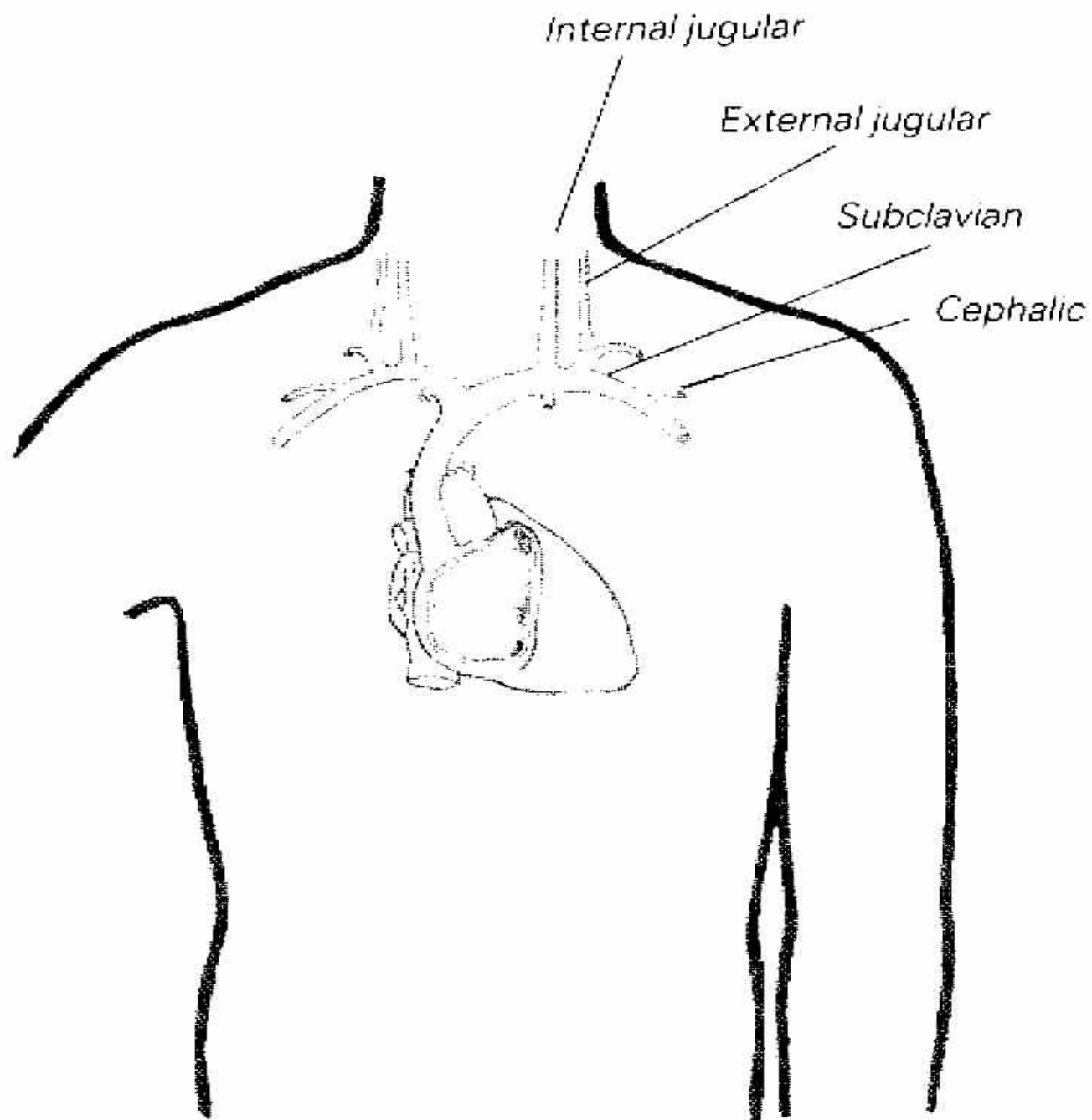
- The USCI code is the standard code for labelling the mode of pacing
- **1ST letter** – chamber(s) paced
- **2nd letter** – chamber(s) sensed
- **3rd letter** – Mode of action
- **4th letter** – Rate Response

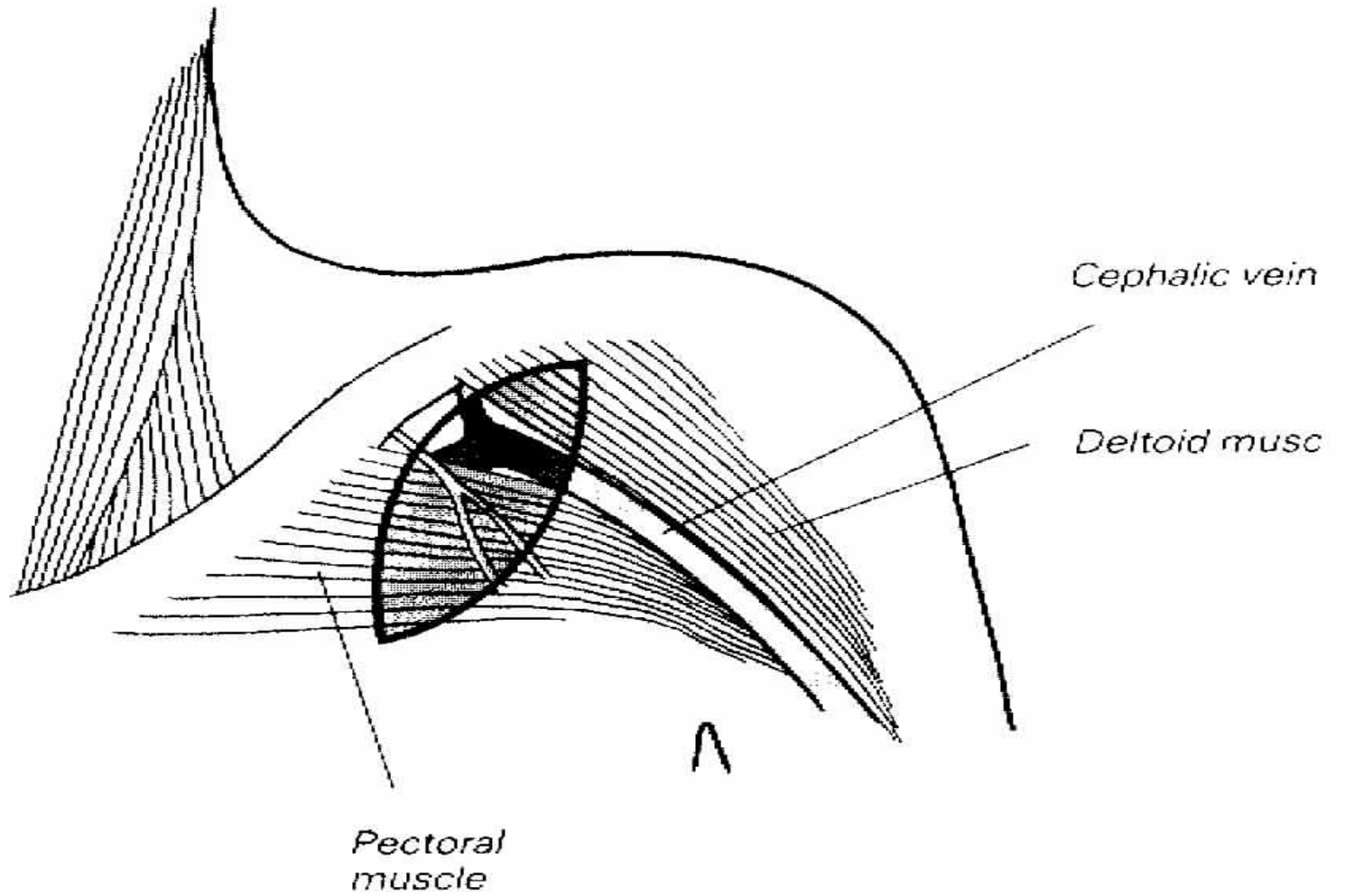
Pacemaker

**Charge
from
electrode**

In a dual-chamber pacemaker one lead or electrical wire stimulates the right atrium and one stimulates the right ventricle to beat properly.

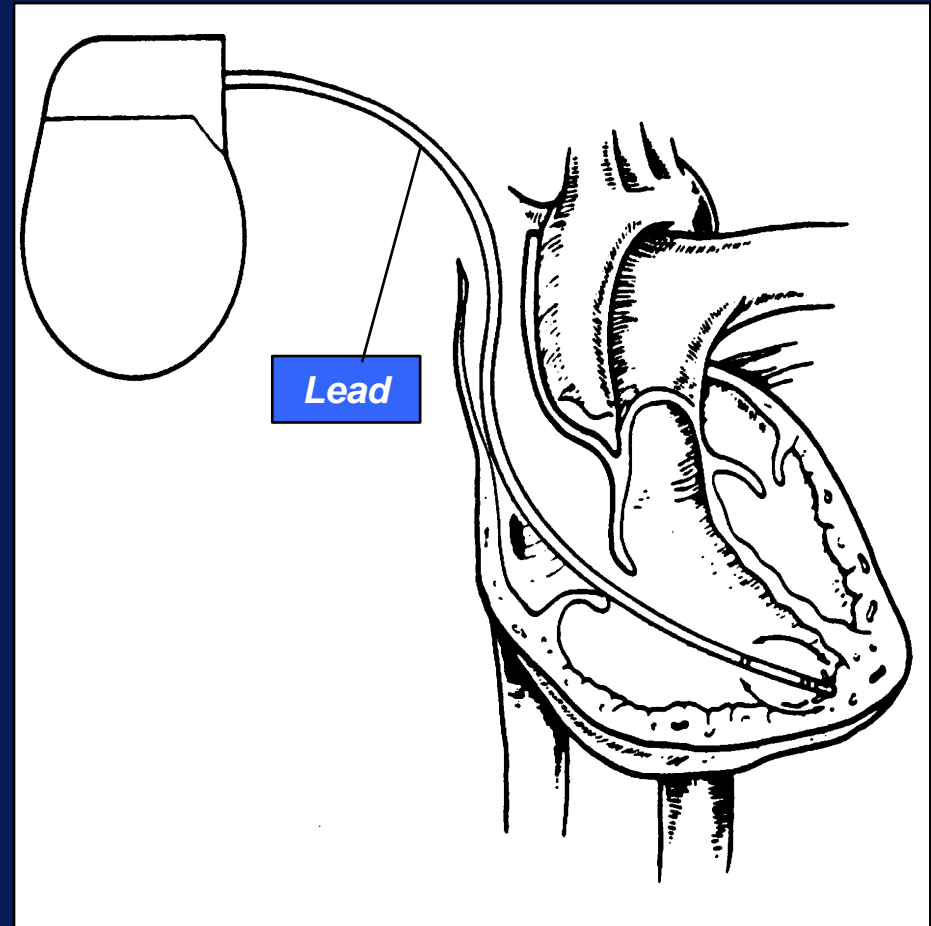






Leads Are Insulated Wires That:

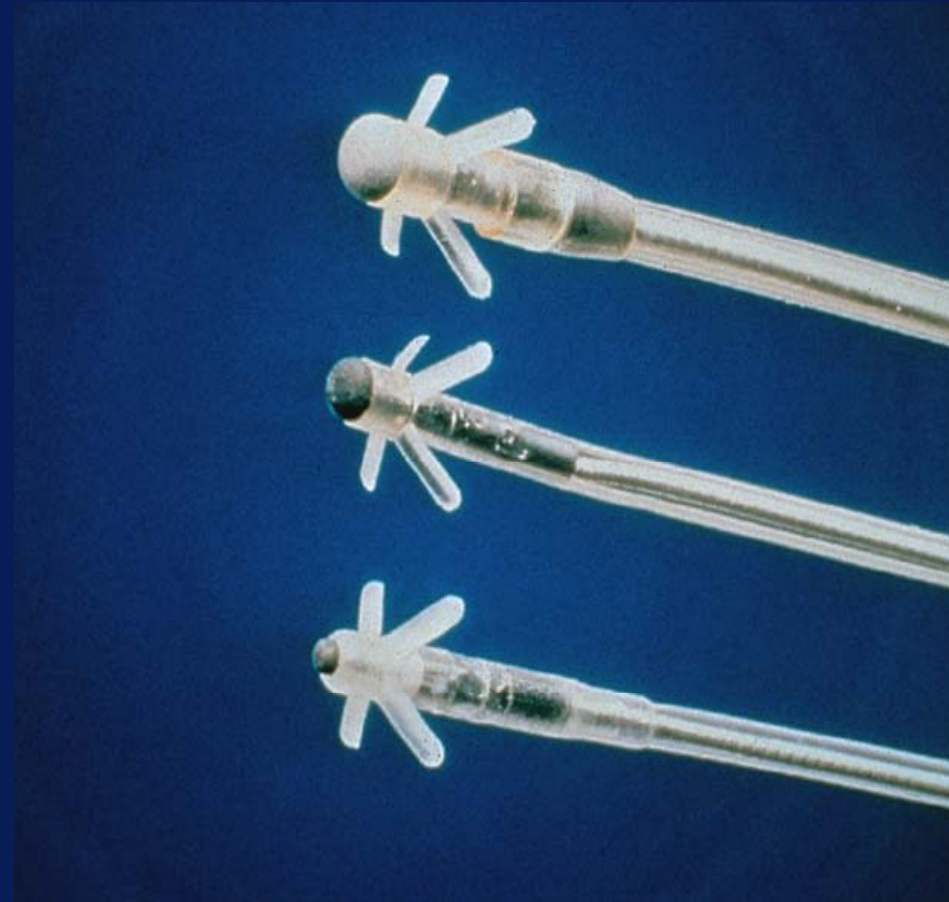
- ζ Deliver electrical impulses from the pulse generator to the heart
- ζ Sense cardiac depolarization



Transvenous Leads Have Different “Fixation” Mechanisms

ζ Passive fixation

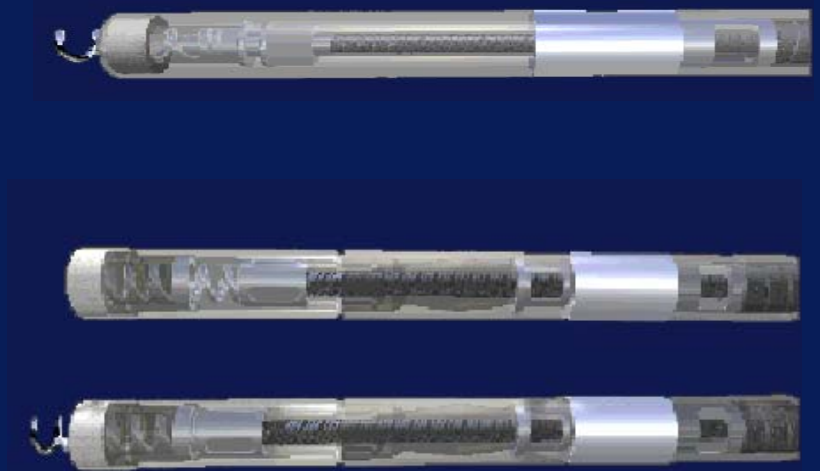
- The tines become lodged in the trabeculae (fibrous meshwork) of the heart



Transvenous Leads

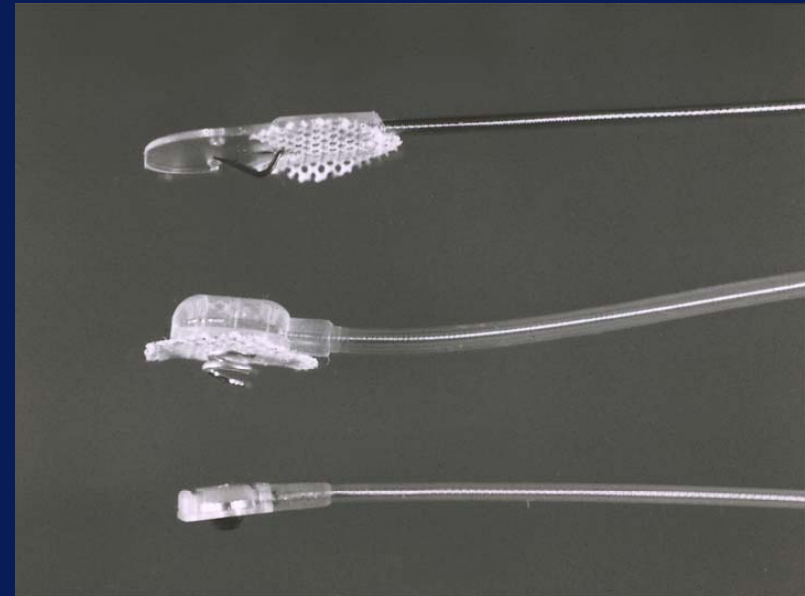
ζ Active Fixation

- The helix (or screw) extends into the endocardial tissue
- Allows for lead positioning anywhere in the heart's chamber

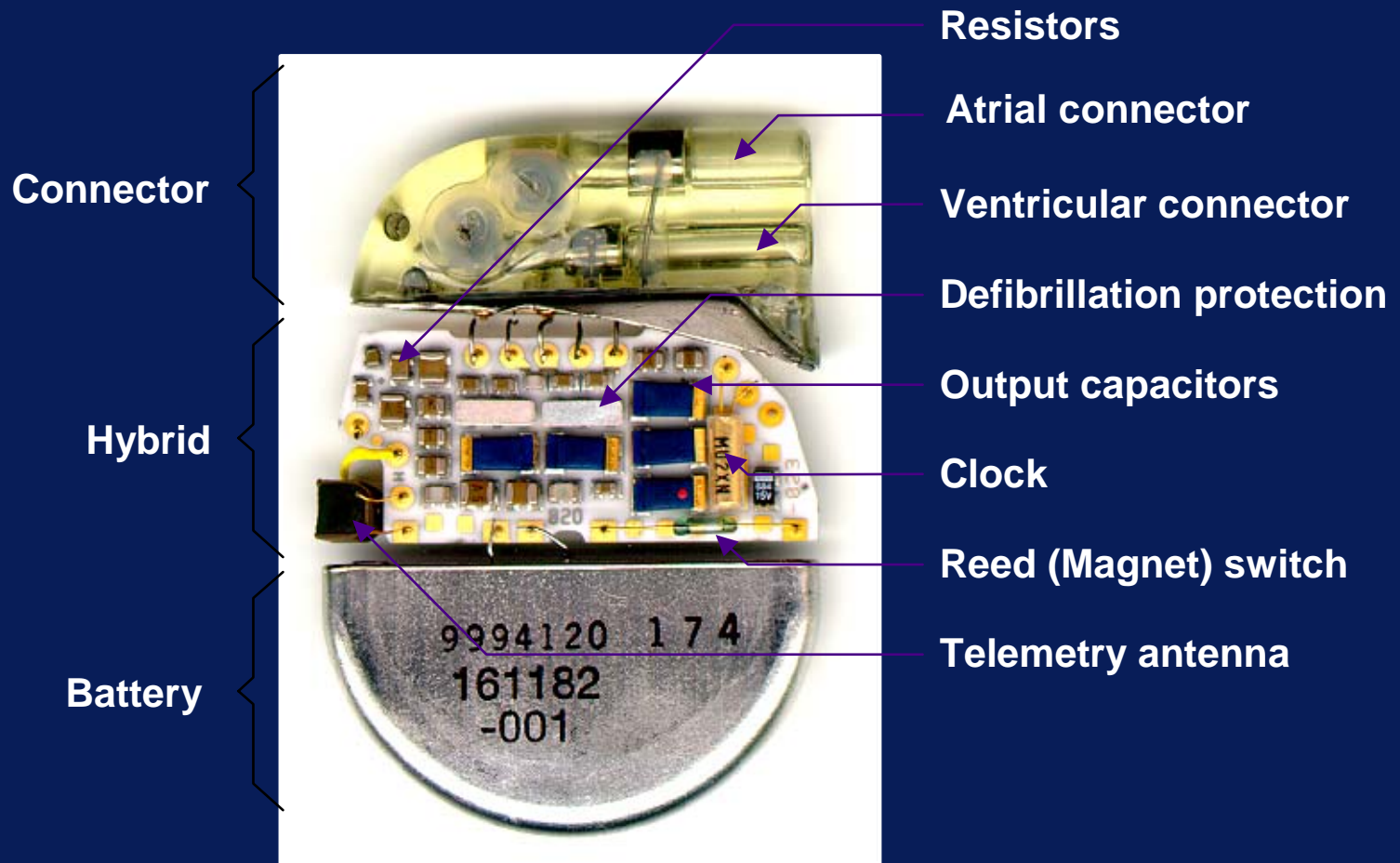


Myocardial and Epicardial Leads

- ζ **Leads applied directly to the heart**
 - **Fixation mechanisms include:**
 - ψ **Epicardial stab-in**
 - ψ **Myocardial screw-in**
 - ψ **Suture-on**

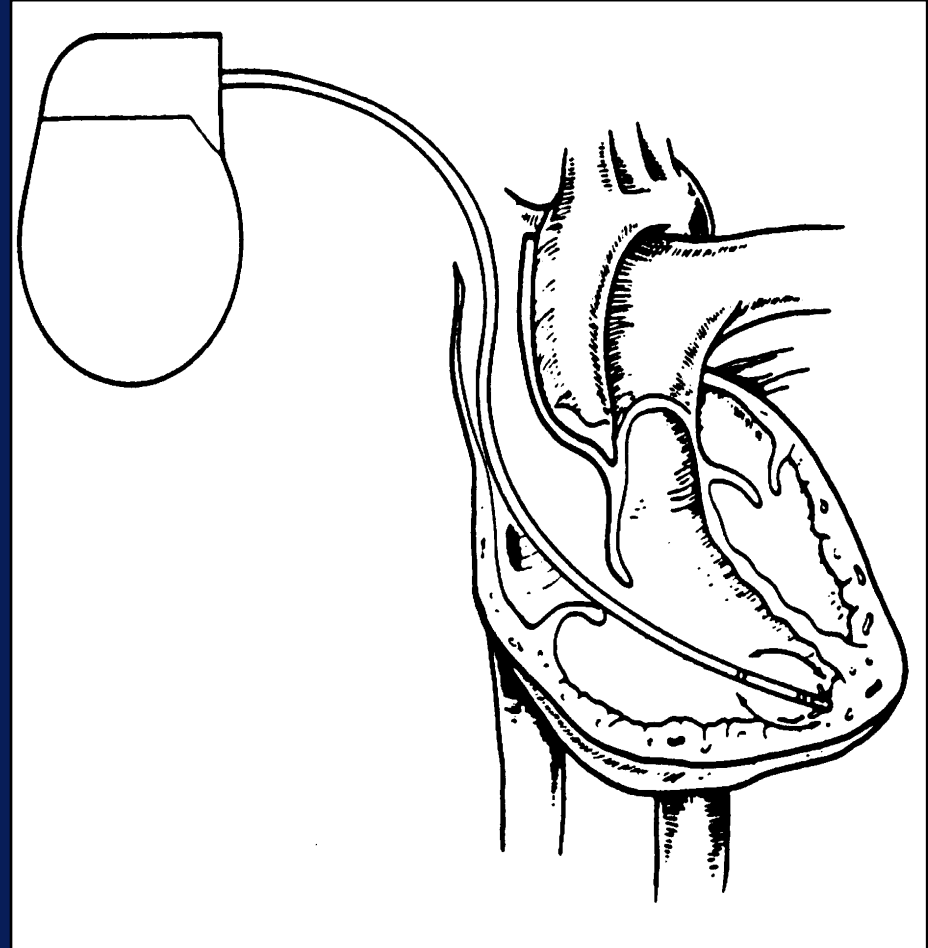


Anatomy of a Pacemaker



Single-Chamber System

- z The pacing lead is implanted in the atrium *or* ventricle, depending on the chamber to be paced and sensed

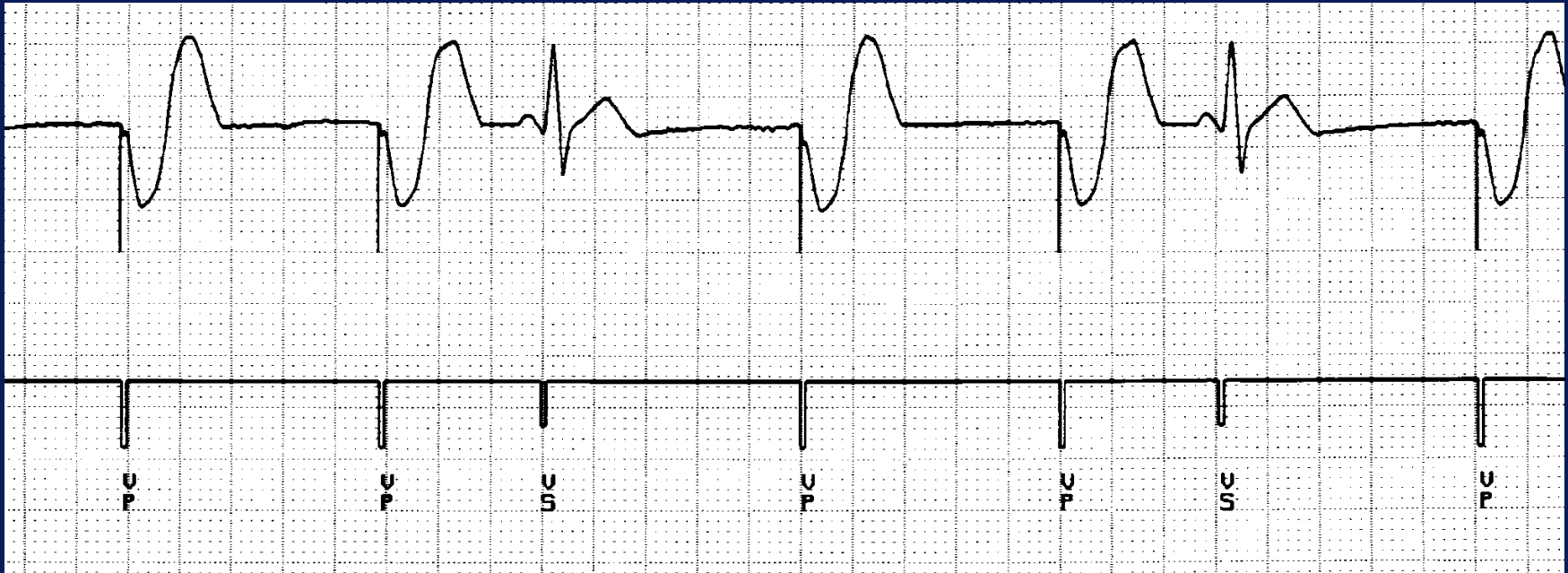


Paced Rhythm Recognition



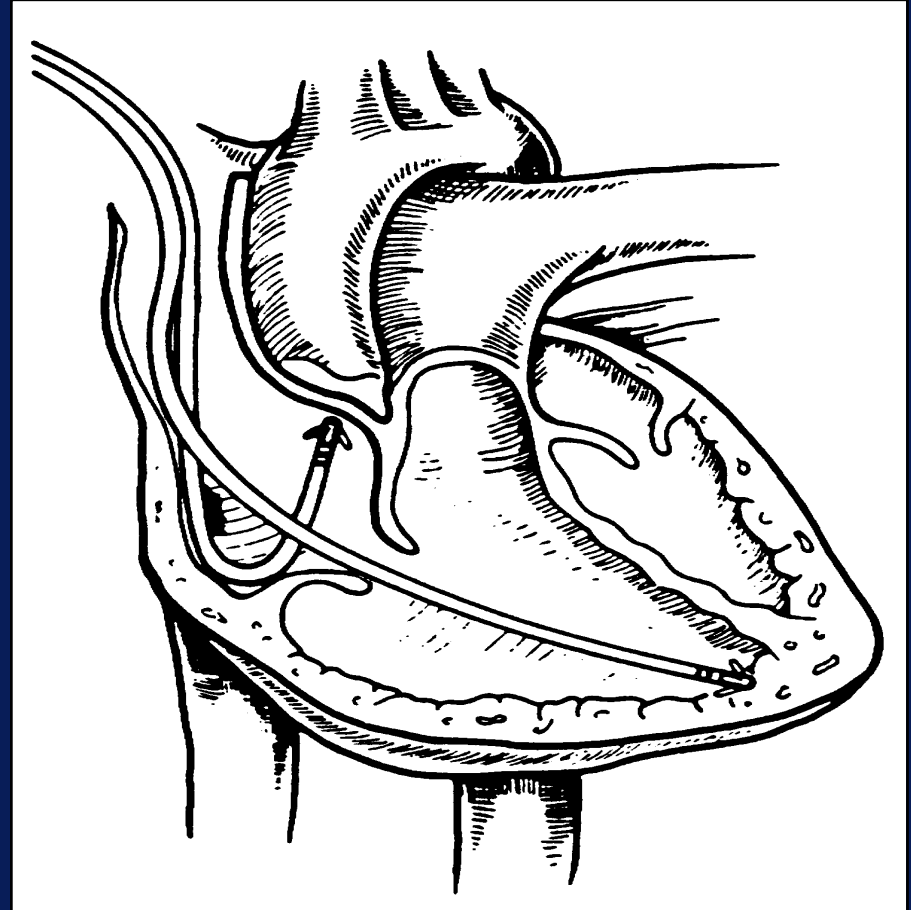
AAI / 60

Paced Rhythm Recognition

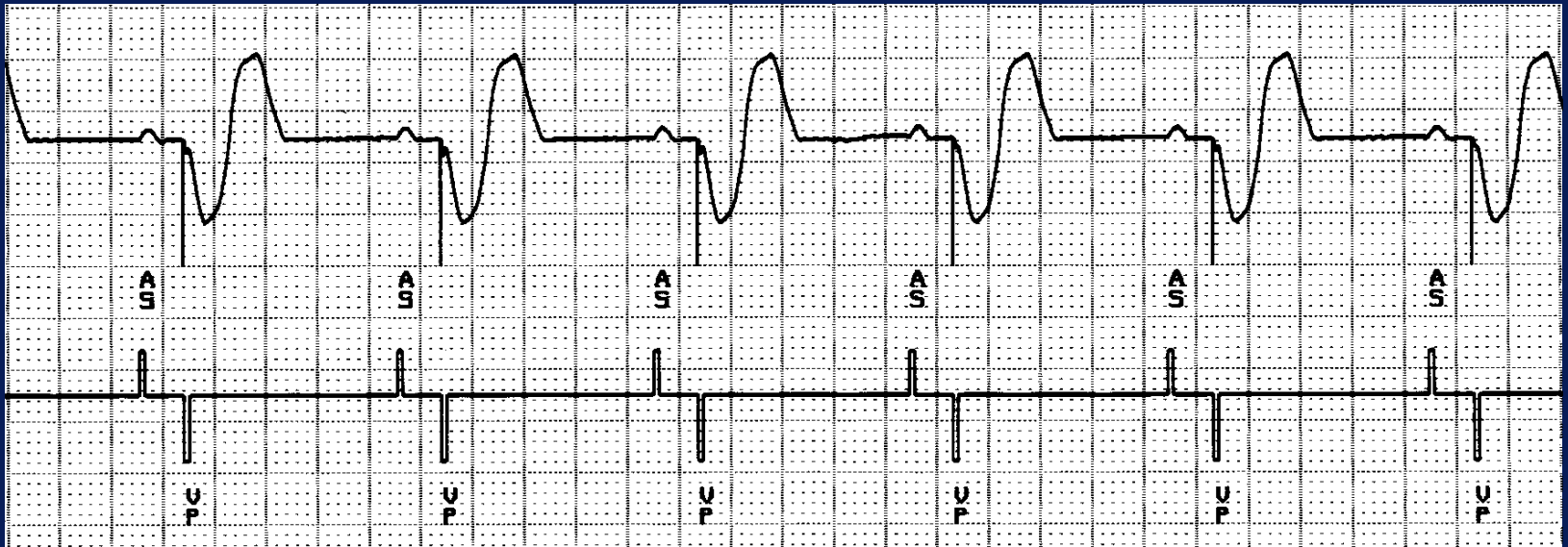


Dual-Chamber Systems Have Two Leads:

- z One implanted in both the atrium and the ventricle

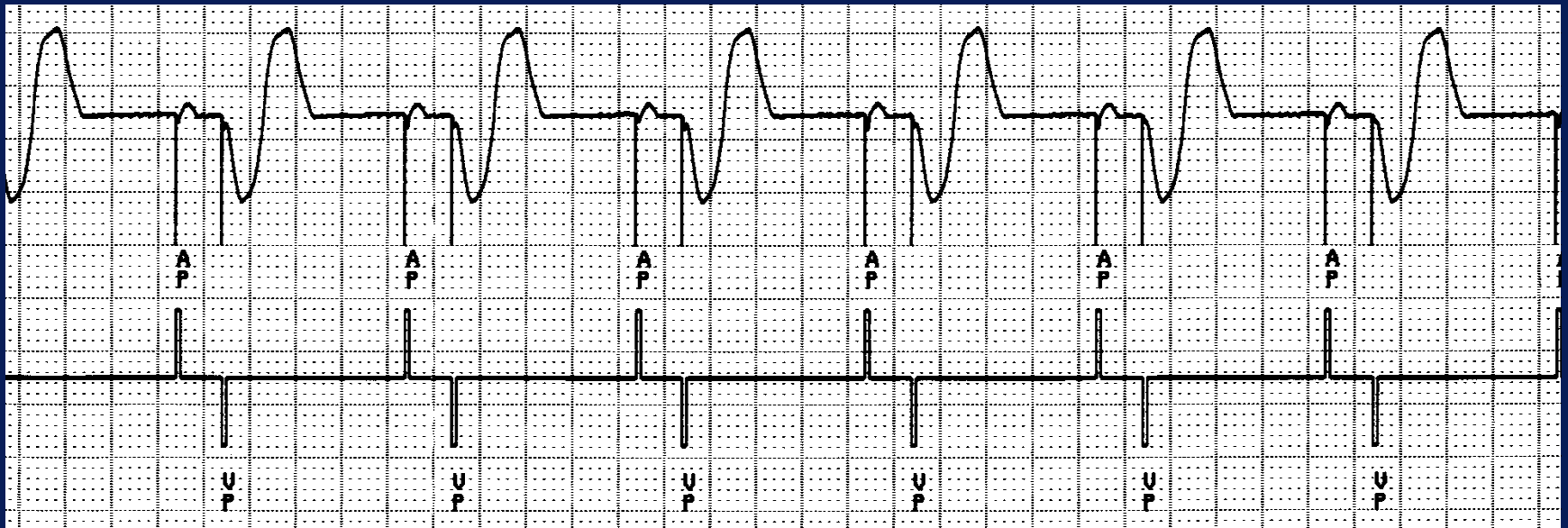


Paced Rhythm Recognition



DDD / 60 / 120

Paced Rhythm Recognition



DDD / 60 / 120



Frontal view



Lateral



ICD Inventor

Michel Mirowski

1967



- First ICD - implanted in the 1980's
- Epicardial system - 2 large patches, sutured to the epicardial surface of the heart
- Patches used for pacing, cardioversion & defibrillation shocks
- 2 small sensing electrodes - also sutured to the epicardial surface
- Large unit - required abdominal placement
- Electrodes and the patches positioned at the time of open-heart surgery, mostly for CABG
- Nicknamed 'cabbage patch' patients

Indications for ICD

- Secondary prevention
 - VT/VF event
 - Sustained VT with hemodynamic compromise
 - Sustained VT without hemodynamic compromise with LVEF<35%
- Primary Prevention
 - Post MI with LVEF<35% and non-sustained VT on holter and positive EPS or
 - Post MI with LVEF<30% and QRS duration \geq 120ms

Implantation of the ICD

- Device selection
 - Single or dual?
 - Rate response?
 - Lead selection, single or dual coil?
 - Longevity
 - Ease of follow up, data storage, ECG quality

Implantation of the ICD



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General vs local anesthesia

Surgeon vs cardiologist

Left subpectoral. Subcutaneous

Cephalic, subclavian vein

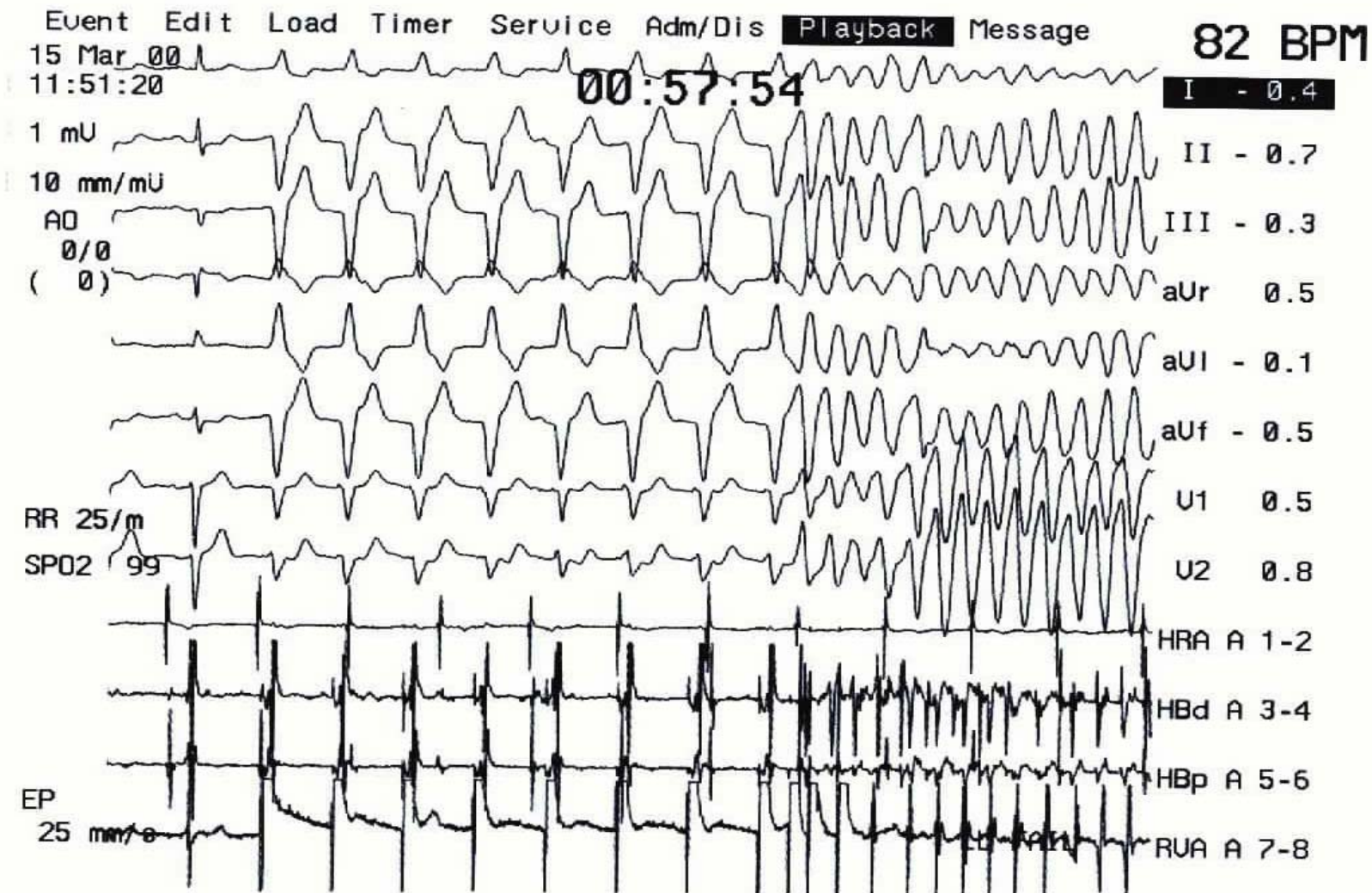
Active fixation lead

Positional measurements

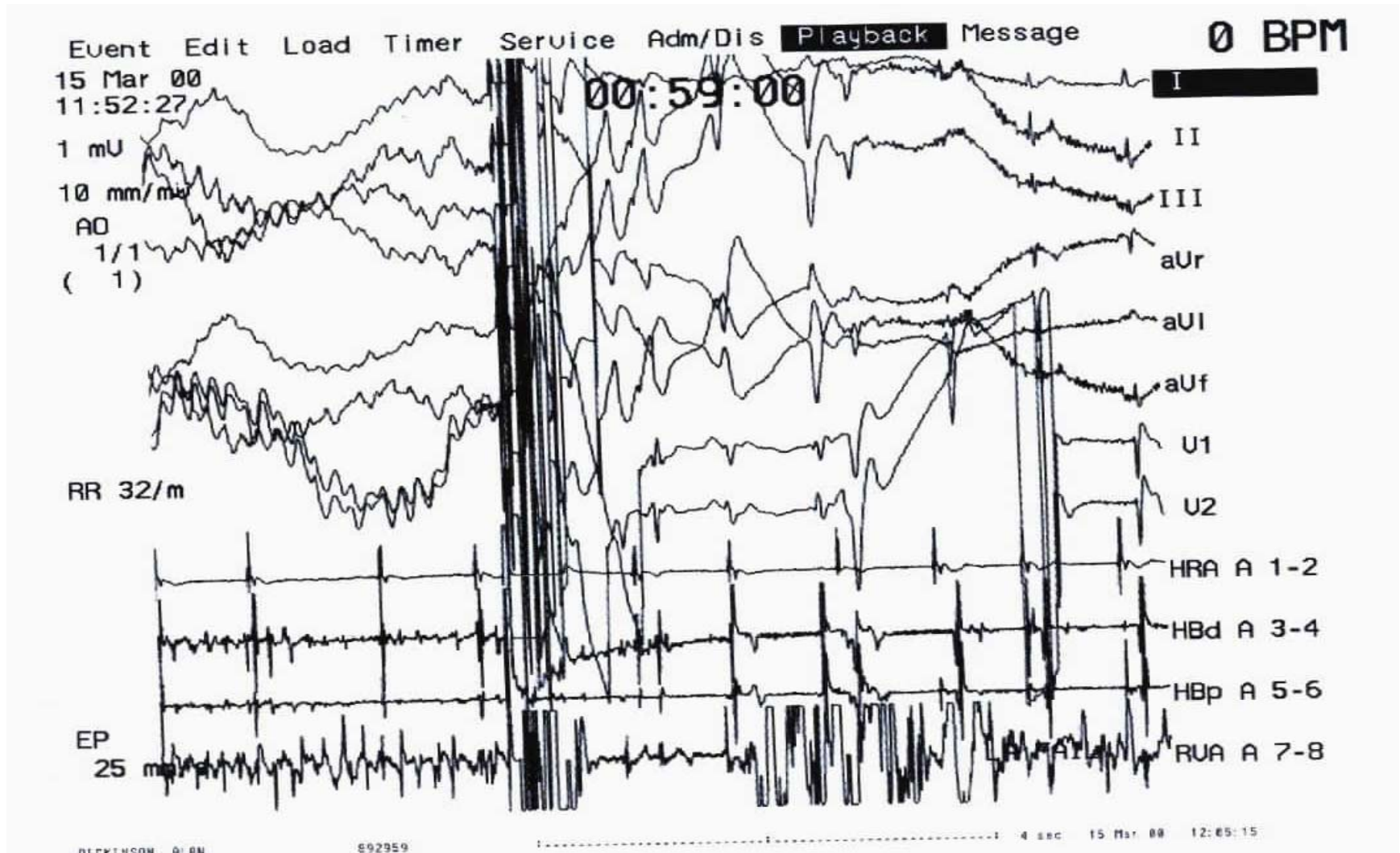
VF Induction & threshold measurement

External DC for safety

Induction



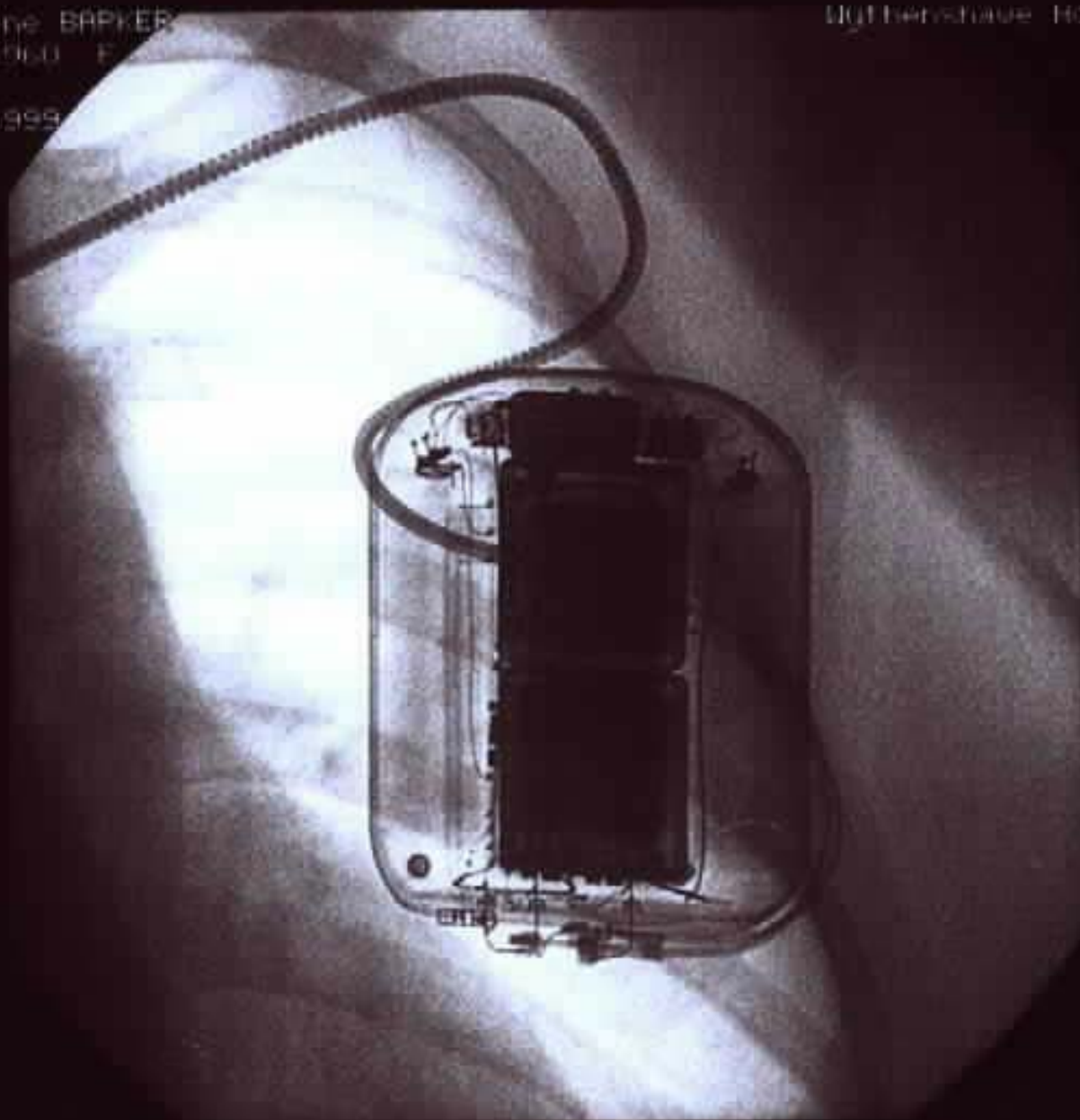
Termination



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0500
25-01-1999
14:13

Wittenberg Hospital

DHS



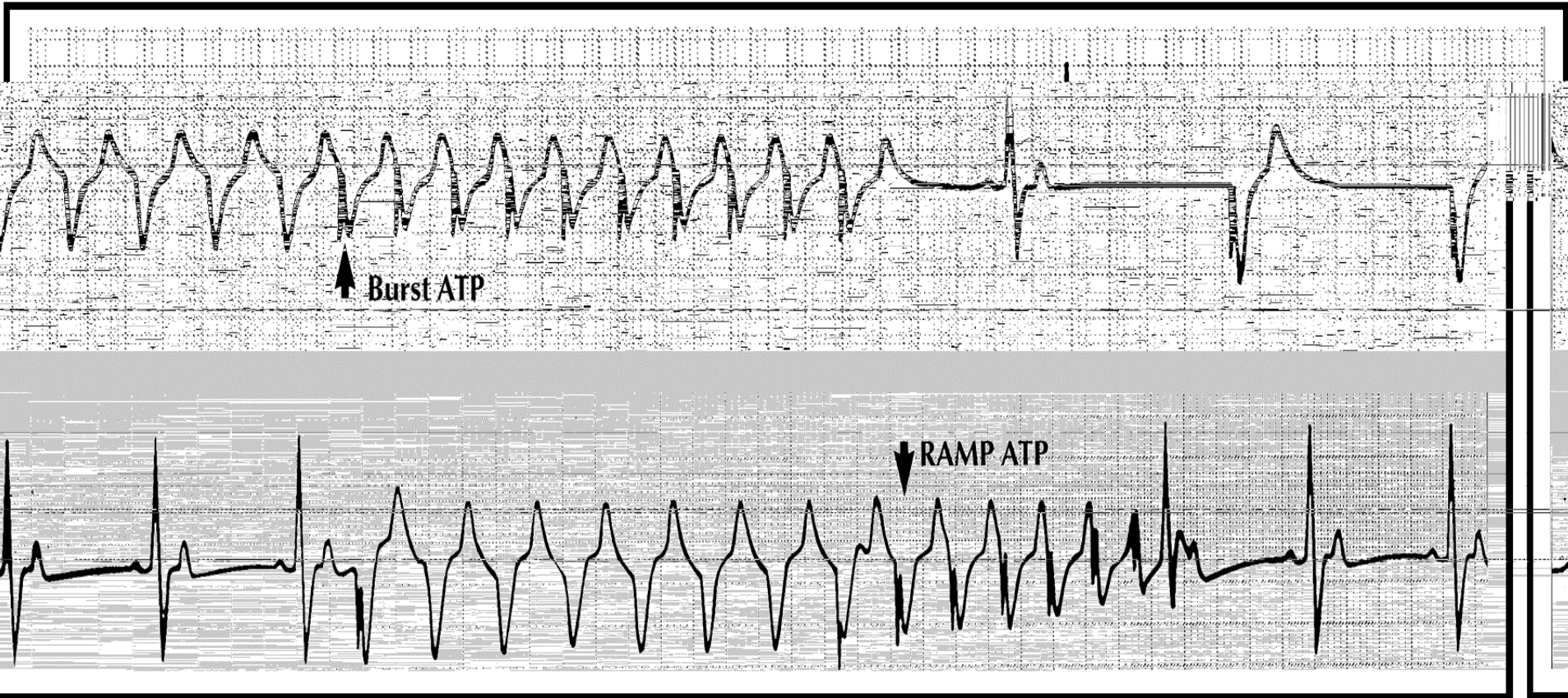
Implantation of the ICD

- Programming
 - VT and/or VF?
 - Detection (rate, sensitivity)
 - Therapy (burst pacing, ramp pacing, DC Cardioversion, DC Defibrillation)
 - Pacing therapy
- Post op monitoring, chest X-Ray, ECG, Echo

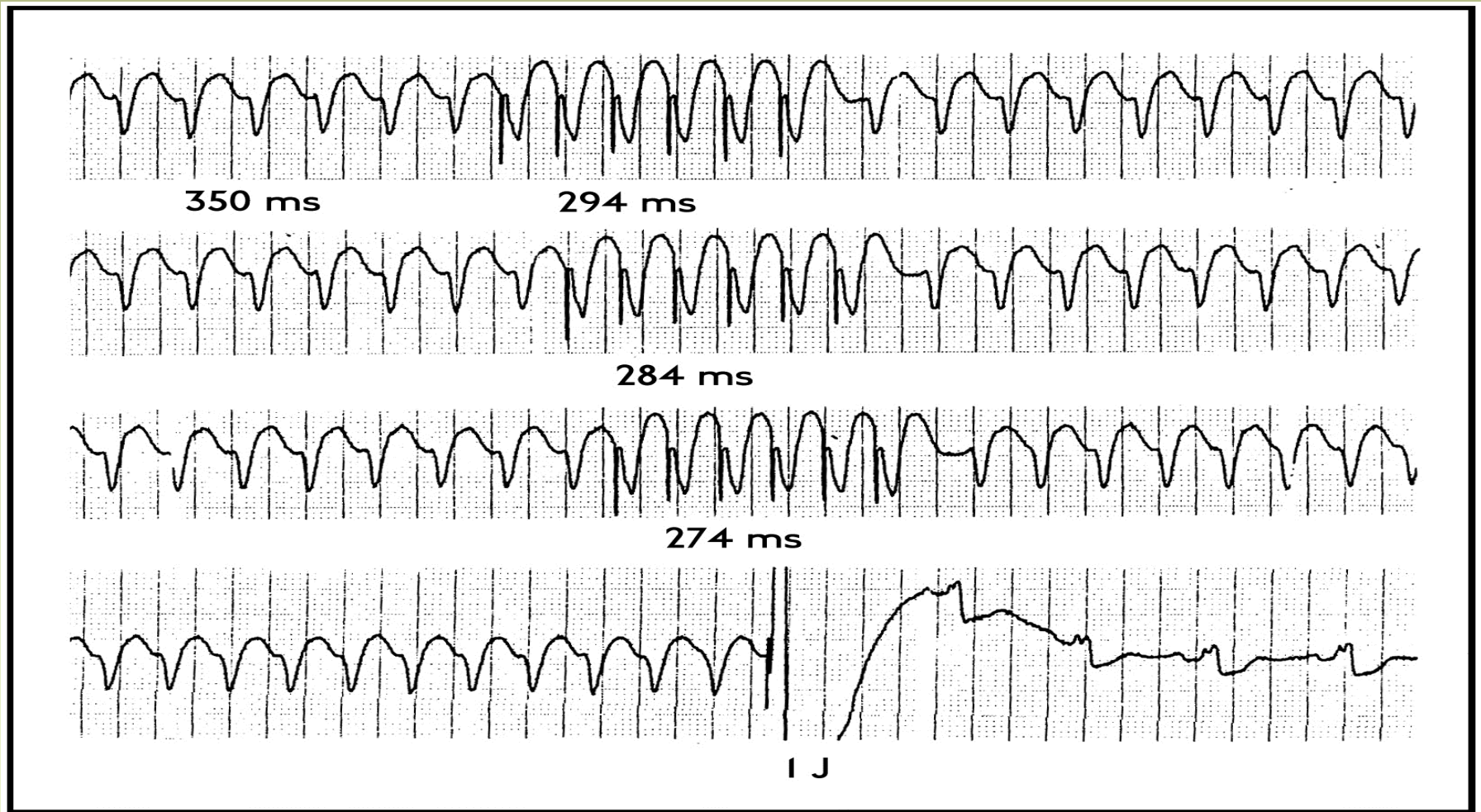
Follow up of the ICD

- Every 3/6 months
- Interrogation, assessment of therapy
- Routine measurements
- reprogramming
- Assessment of patient well being
- Annual clinical review

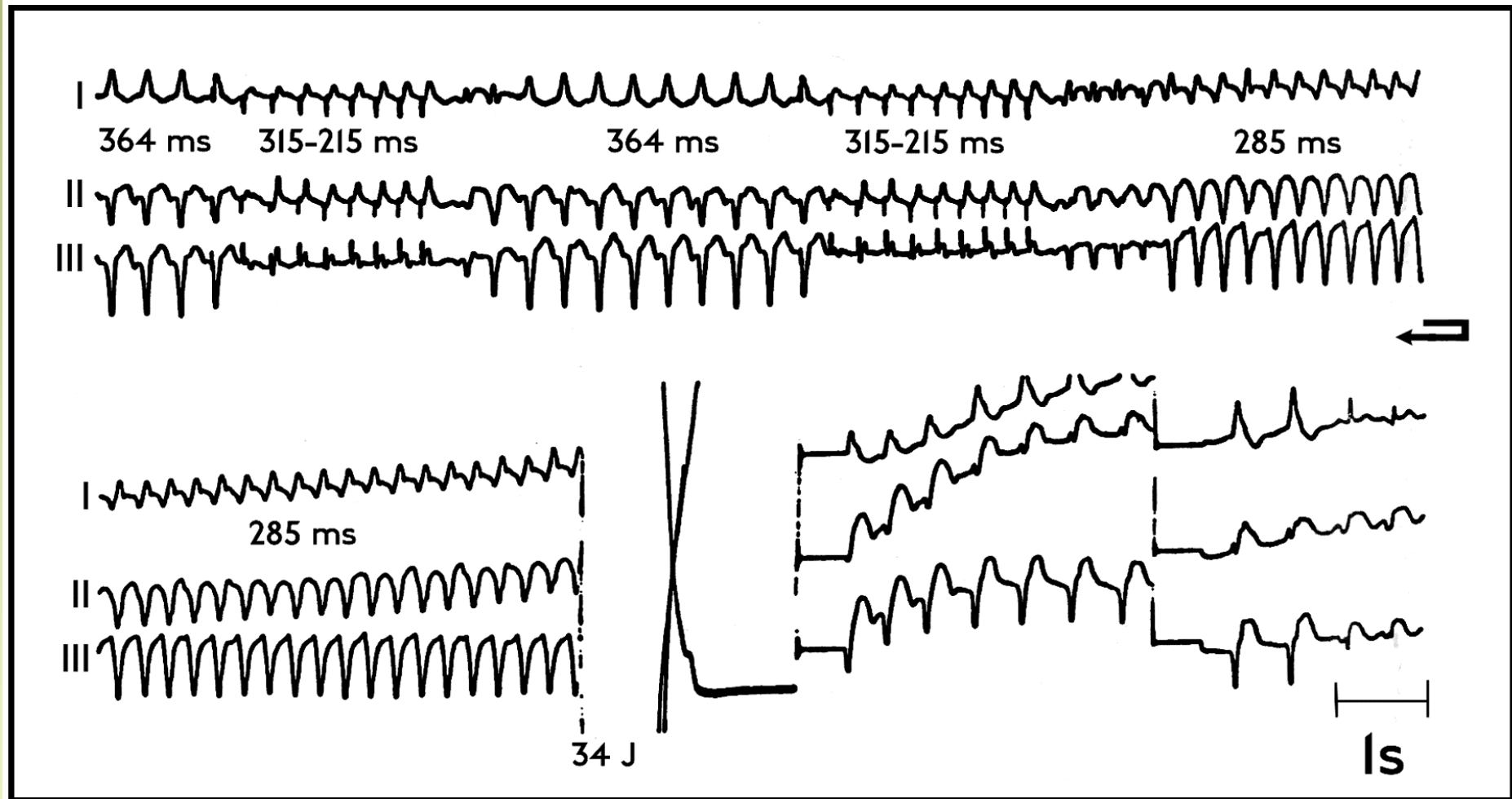
Examples: VTs Terminated with **Burst** and **Ramp** Pacing



Example: Attempt to Treat VT with Scan Decrement



Example: VT Accelerated by ATP



Battery requirements for defibrillation and
pacing are very different:

Defibrillation

750v occasionally

Pacing

3v every second



ICDs and Driving

- ♥ For secondary prevention, no driving for 6 months
- ♥ If therapy in that 6 months and pt compromised then no driving for further 6 months

ICDs and Electromagnetic Interference

- ♥ **Galvanic (direct contact with current source):**
Cautery/defibrillation-cardioversion
- ♥ **Electromagnetic (no direct contact):**
Arc welding/metal detectors/radio transmitter/some electrical appliances
- ♥ **Magnetic:**
MRI/industrial video tape cleaners

Effects of Electromagnetic Interference

- ♥ **Prevent arrhythmia detection**
- ♥ **False detection**
- ♥ **Device turned off**
- ♥ **Circuit damage**

Instructions

- ♥ **No MRI (option - CT scan)**
- ♥ **No lithotripsy (hydraulic shock wave)**
- ♥ **Do not loiter near EMI sensors**
- ♥ **Avoid EMI at airports (no hand held wand over device)**
- ♥ **Avoid diathermy and turn off ICD for surgery that requires it (probe at least 20cm from device)**

Cardioversion

- ♥ **Always Cardiovert through device if possible**
- ♥ **Paddles away from generator**
- ♥ **Paddles perpendicular to lead system of device**
- ♥ **Keep energies as low as possible**
- ♥ **Interrogate device post cardioversion**

Safe to Use Appliances

- ♥ **Microwaves**
- ♥ **TVs/VCRs**
- ♥ **AM/FM radios**
- ♥ **CDs**
- ♥ **Toasters/blenders etc**
- ♥ **Electric blankets**
- ♥ **PCs**
- ♥ **Fax's etc**

Cell/Mobile Phones

- ♥ **20cms from device**
- ♥ **Opposite ear to implant**
- ♥ **Avoid putting phone in breast pocket**



Implications for Rehab

Pacing Patients

- ♥ **Exercise Capacity – may be affected due to model of pacemaker rather than functional limitation**
- ♥ **Immediate post op recovery phase – lead displacement**
- ♥ **Patient & staff confidence**
- ♥ **Knowledge model, settings & Pacing interpretation on the ECG**
- ♥ **CP support**

Implications for Rehab ICD Patients

- ♥ **Exercise Capacity – no formal ETT prior to discharge**
- ♥ **Patient & carer acceptance of device and its implications**
- ♥ **Patient & carer confidence**
- ♥ **Knowledge model, settings and therapies**
- ♥ **Complex rehabilitation**
- ♥ **Cardiac Physiologist support**
- ♥ **Lack of formal psychological support**

Summary

- ♥ **411 pacemakers per million population implanted nationally (2003 + 2004)**
- ♥ **41 ICD per million population implanted nationally (2003 + 2004)**
- ♥ **1.6 million – our network**
- ♥ **Nice guidance reduces need for EP testing and will impact on implant rates for ICD**
- ♥ **Chapter 8 – arrhythmias & sudden cardiac death will impact on pacing & ICD implants**

Any Questions?

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