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Right bundle branch block, persistent ST segment elevation and sudden cardiac death: A distinct clinical and electrocardiographic syndrome

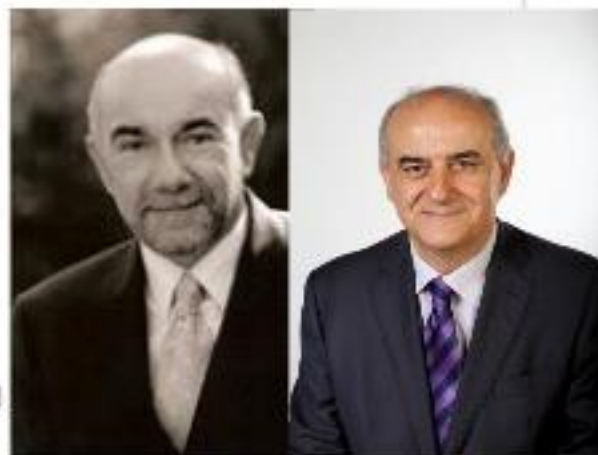
A multicenter report

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Χαρακτηρίζεται από :

- Αιφνίδιο καρδιακό θάνατο κατά την διάρκεια του ύπνου ή της ανάπαυσης
- Απουσία εμφανούς δομικής καρδιοπάθειας
- Χαρακτηριστικό ΗΚΓ

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- Ευθύνεται για το 20-30% των αιφνιδίων θανάτων ανθρώπων άνευ δομικής καρδιοπάθειας.
- Συχνότερο αίτιο θανάτου ανδρών < 50 ετών στην Ασία:
 - Philippines: **Bangungut** = scream followed by sudden death during sleep
 - Thailand: **Lai tai** = death during sleep
 - Japan: **Pokuri** = unexpected death during sleep
- Κληρονομείται κατά τον αυτοσωματικό επικρατούντα χαρακτήρα με χαμηλή διεισδυτικότητα
- 8-10 φορές συχνότερο στους άνδρες

ΔΙΑΥΛΟΠΑΘΕΙΕΣ

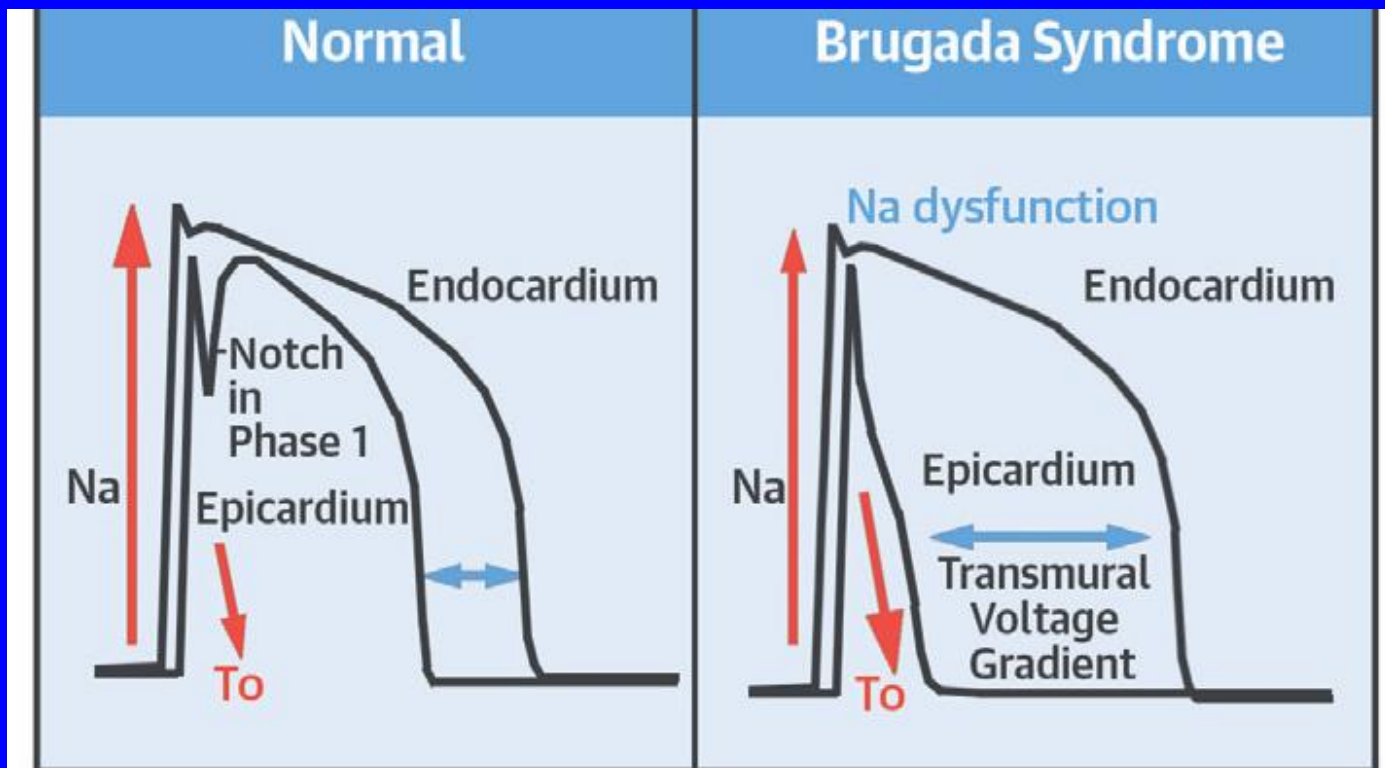
(channelopathies / inherited primary arrhythmia syndromes)

Διαυλοπάθειες (channelopathies)

Ετερογενές σύνολο «ασθενειών» που προκύπτουν από την δυσλειτουργία διαύλων ιόντων οι οποίοι βρίσκονται στην κυτταρική μεμβράνη αλλά και σε ενδοκυττάρια σωματίδια.

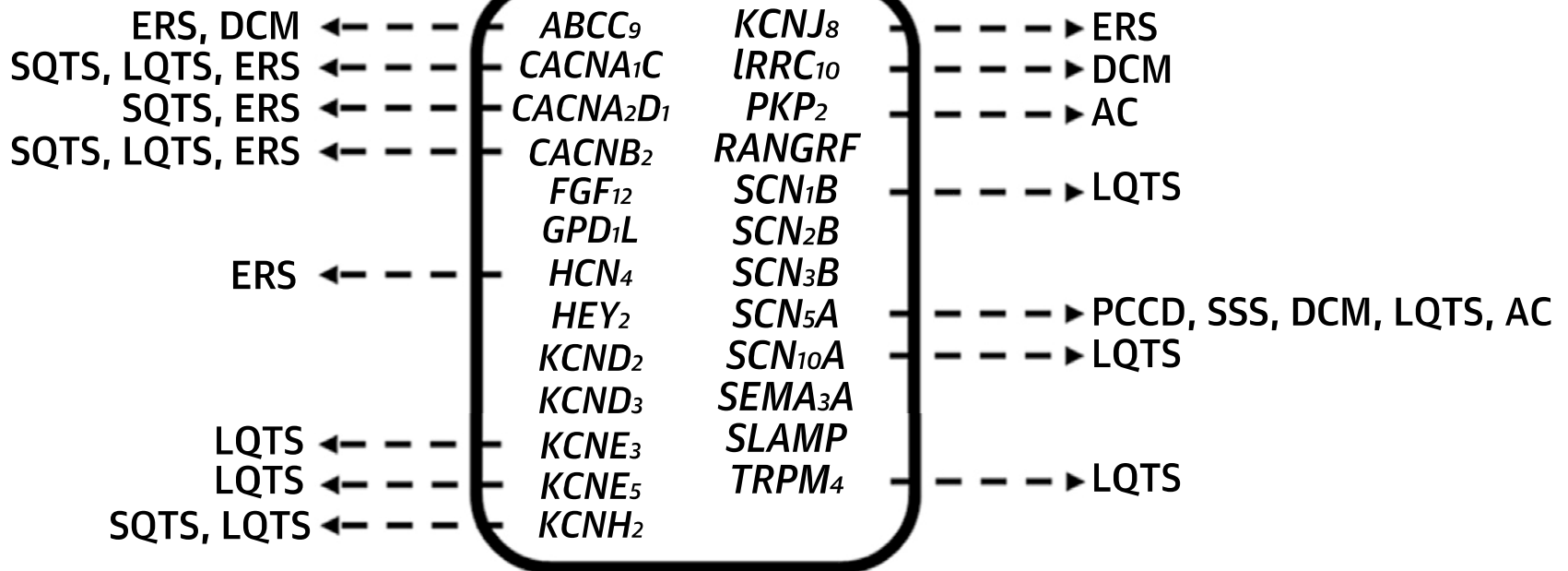
- Νευρικό σ. (υπο- και υπερ- καλιαμική περιοδική παράλυση, κ.α.)
- Καρδιαγγειακό σ. (long QT, short QT, Brs, CPVT, κ.α.)
- Αναπνευστικό (κυστική ίνωση, κ.α)
- Ουροποιητικό σ. (σ. Bartter, νεφρογενής άποιος διαβήτης, κ.α.)
- Ανοσοποιητικό σ. (myasthenia gravis)

Μετάλλαξη στο γονίδιο SCN5A με αποτέλεσμα
δυσλειτουργία των διαύλων Na^+ (20% των
περιπτώσεων)



Loss of function of sodium channels

BrS



Proposed diagnostic criteria for the Brugada syndrome: consensus report.

Wilde AA, Antzelevitch C, Borggrefe M, **Brugada J, Brugada R, Brugada P**, Corrado D, Hauer RN, Kass RS, Nademanee K, Priori SG, Towbin JA; Study Group on the Molecular Basis of Arrhythmias of the European Society of Cardiology.

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ST Patterns in Brugada Syndrome

Type 1 “Coved Type”

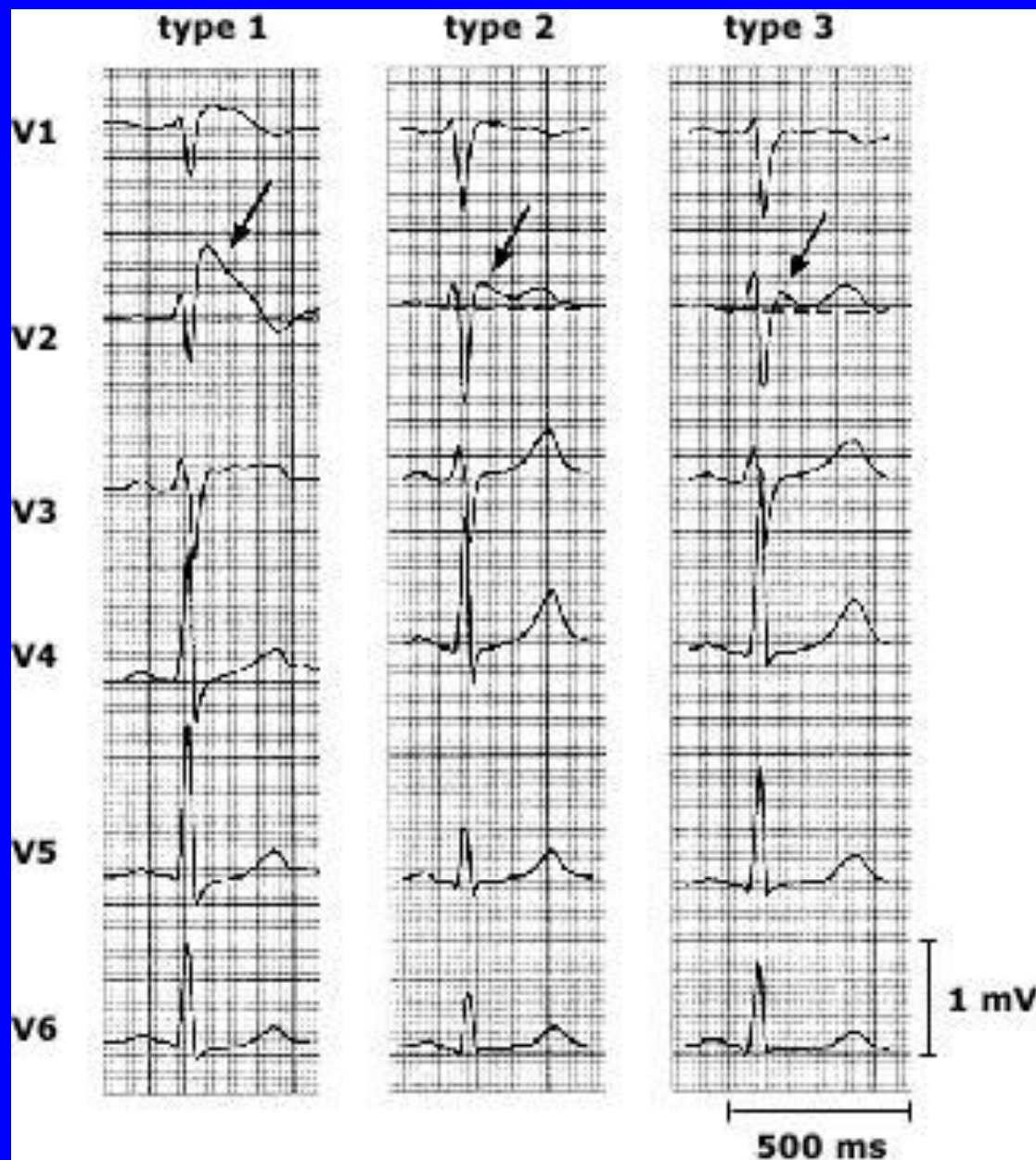
- J wave $\geq 2\text{mm}$ convex
- ST segment descends
- Inverted T wave

Type 2 “Saddle back”

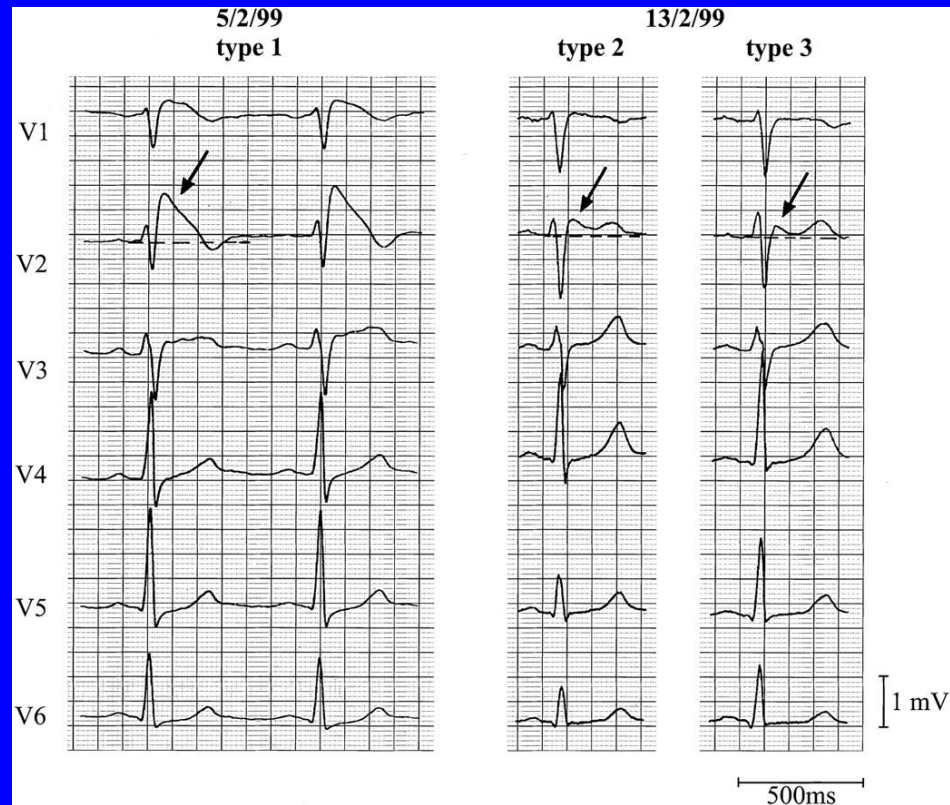
- J wave $\geq 2\text{mm}$
- ST segment $\geq 1\text{mm}$
- Upright or biphasic T

Type 3 “Saddle back”

- J wave $\geq 2\text{mm}$
- ST segment $< 1\text{mm}$
- Positive T wave



Δυναμικές ΗΚΓφικές αλλαγές στον ίδιο ασθενή



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ΦΑΡΜΑΚΕΥΤΙΚΗ ΠΡΟΚΛΗΣΗ

(ajmaline 1mg/kg, flecainide 2mg/kg, procainamide 10mg/kg)



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TABLE 2. Abnormalities That Can Lead to ST-Segment Elevation in the Right Precordial Leads

Right or left bundle branch block, left ventricular hypertrophy ²⁸
Acute myocardial ischemia or infarction ²⁹
Acute myocarditis ³⁰
Right ventricular ischemia or infarction ³¹
Dissecting aortic aneurysm ³²
Acute pulmonary thromboemboli ³³
Various central and autonomic nervous system abnormalities ^{34,35}
Heterocyclic antidepressant overdose ³⁶
Duchenne muscular dystrophy ³⁷
Friedreich's ataxia ³⁸
Thiamine deficiency ^{39,40}
Hypercalcemia ⁴¹
Hyperkalemia ⁴²
Cocaine intoxication ^{43,44}
Mediastinal tumor compressing RVOT ⁴⁵
Arrhythmogenic right ventricular dysplasia/cardiomyopathy ^{24,25}
Long-QT syndrome, type 3 ^{11,12}
Other conditions that can lead to ST-segment elevation in the right precordial leads
Early repolarization syndrome
Other normal variants (particularly in men) ²⁶
Whereas the last 2 "other conditions that can lead to ST-segment elevation" are more likely to give rise to type 2 and type 3 ECGs, most conditions mentioned in this table can give rise to type 1 ECG.

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Table 1
Electrocardiogram alterations in Brugada syndrome

A. ECG diagnostic criteria

Changes in precordial leads.

1. Morphology of QRS-T in V1-V3. ST elevation (sometimes only in V1 and exceptionally also in V3) (BrP)

Type 1. Coved pattern: initial ST elevation ≥ 2 mm, slowly descending and concave or rectilinear with respect to the isoelectric baseline, with negative symmetric T wave (see other characteristics in Table 2 and text).

Type 2. Saddle back pattern: The high take-off (r') is ≥ 2 mm with respect to the isoelectric line and is followed by ST elevation; convex with respect to the isoelectric baseline with elevation ≥ 0.05 mV with positive/flat T wave in V2 and T wave variable in V1. If there is some doubt (ie, $r' < 2$ mm), it is necessary to record the ECG in 2nd, 3rd ICS. Other characteristics may be seen in Table 2 and text.

2. New ECG criteria:

a. Corrado index (2010): Ratio high take-off of QRS-ST/height of ST at 80 ms later is in V1-V2 > 1 because the ST is downsloping. In athletes, the ST especially in V2 is upsloping; and the index is < 1 . The end of QRS (J point) often does not coincide with the high take-off of QRS-ST as was suggested by Corrado.³⁶ However, using the high take-off of QRS-ST for the application of the Corrado index is valid for discriminating BrP and other conditions mimicking BrP.

b. The β angle formed by ascending S and descending r' is $> 58^\circ$ in type 2 BrP (in athletes, it is much lower) (Chevalier et al. 2011) (SE 79% SP:84%).

c. Duration of the base triangle of r' at 5 mm from the high take-off is more than 3.5 mm in BrP 2 (SE, 81%; SP, 82%).³¹

B. Other ECG findings

1. QT generally is normal. May be prolonged in right precordial leads.⁴³

2. Conduction disorders: Sometimes, prolonged PR interval (long HV interval). The conduction delay located in RV explains the r' and longer QRS duration in right precordial leads compared with mid/left precordial leads.

3. Supraventricular arrhythmias. Mostly atrial fibrillation.

4. Some other ECG findings may be seen: the presence of r' wave in aVR > 3 mm,⁴⁴ early repolarization pattern in inferior leads,⁴⁵ fractionated QRS,⁴⁶ alternans of T wave after ajmaline injection,⁴⁷ etc.

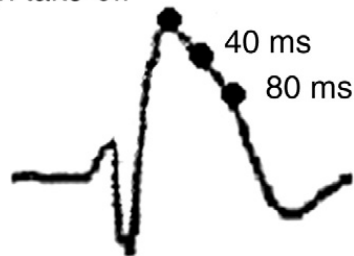
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ECG patterns of BrS in V1-V2

Type 1: coved pattern

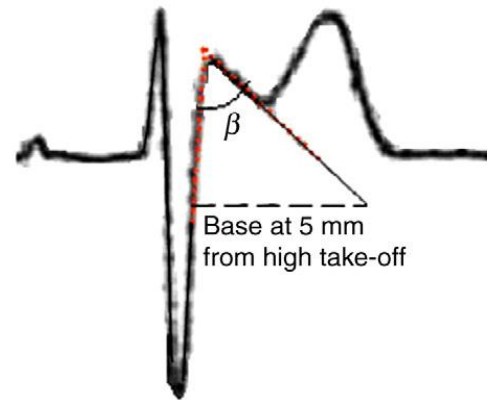
High take-off



This typical coved pattern present in V1-V2 the following:

- At the end of QRS, an ascending and quick slope with a high take-off ≥ 2 mm followed by concave or rectilinear downsloping ST. There are few cases of coved pattern with a high take-off between 1 and 2 mm.
- There is no clear r' wave.
- The high take-off often does not correspond with the J point (Fig. 4 B).
- At 40 ms of high take-off, the decrease in amplitude of ST is ≤ 4 mm.²⁸ In RBBB and athletes, it is much higher.
- ST at high take-off > ST at 40 ms > ST at 80 ms.
- ST is followed by negative and symmetric T wave
- The duration of QRS is longer than in RBBB, and there is a mismatch between V1 and V6 (see text).

Type 2: saddle-back pattern

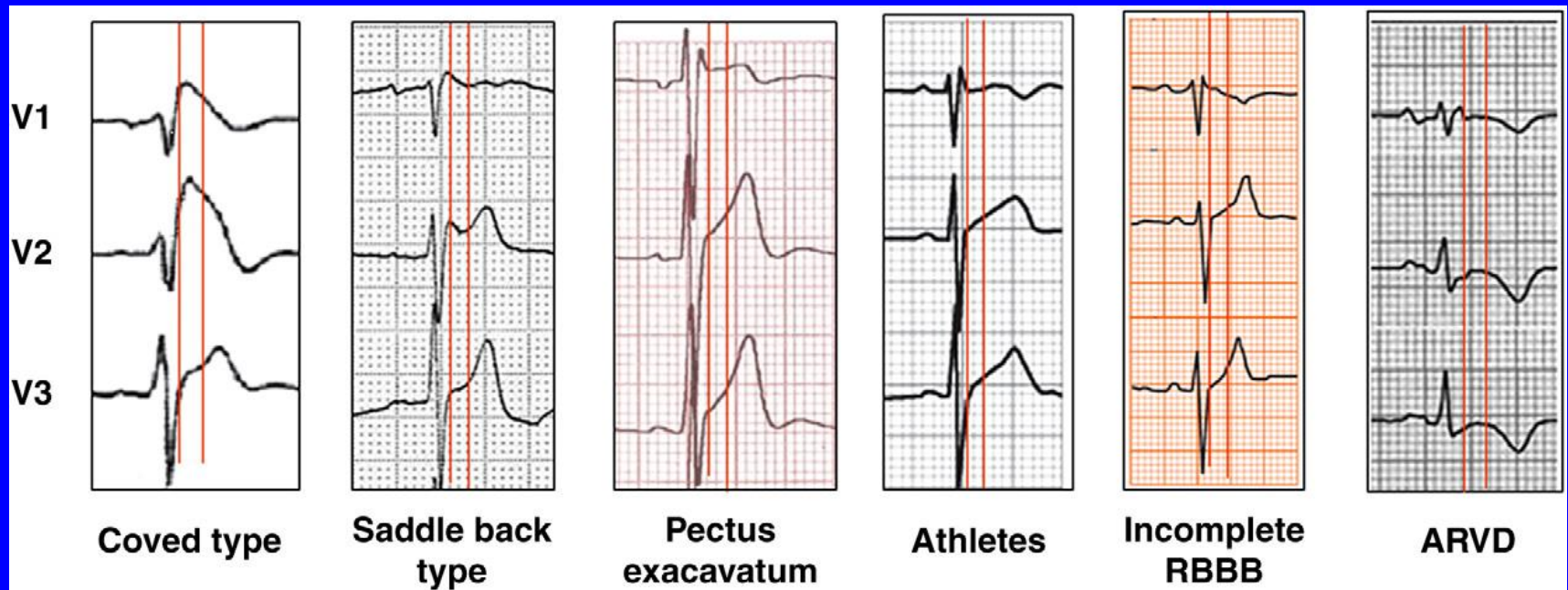


This typical saddle-back pattern present in V1-V2 the following:

- High take-off of r' (that often does not coincide with J point) ≥ 2 mm.
- Descending arm of r' coincides with beginning of ST (often is not well seen).
- Minimum ST ascent ≥ 0.5 mm
- ST is followed by positive T wave in V2 (T peak > ST minimum > 0) and of variable morphology in V1.
- The characteristics of triangle formed by r' allow to define different criteria useful for diagnosis (see above and text).
 - β angle.²⁶
 - Duration of the base of the triangle of r' at 5 mm from the high take-off greater than 3.5 mm³¹
- The duration of QRS is longer in BrP type 2 than in other cases with r' in V1, and there is a mismatch between V1 and V6 (see text).

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Executive summary: HRS/EHRA/APHRS expert consensus statement on the diagnosis and management of patients with inherited primary arrhythmia syndromes

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Expert Consensus Recommendations on **BrS Diagnosis**

1. BrS **is diagnosed** in patients with ST-segment elevation with **type I** morphology ≥ 2 mm in ≥ 1 lead among the right precordial leads V_1, V_2 positioned in the 2nd, 3rd, or 4th intercostal space occurring either spontaneously or after provocative drug test with intravenous administration of Class I antiarrhythmic drugs.
2. BrS **is diagnosed** in patients with type 2 or type 3 ST- segment elevation in ≥ 1 lead among the right precordial leads V_1, V_2 positioned in the 2nd, 3rd, or 4th intercostal space when a provocative drug test with intravenous administration of Class I antiarrhythmic drugs induces a **type I** ECG morphology.

Expert Consensus Recommendations on **BrS Therapeutic Interventions**

Class I

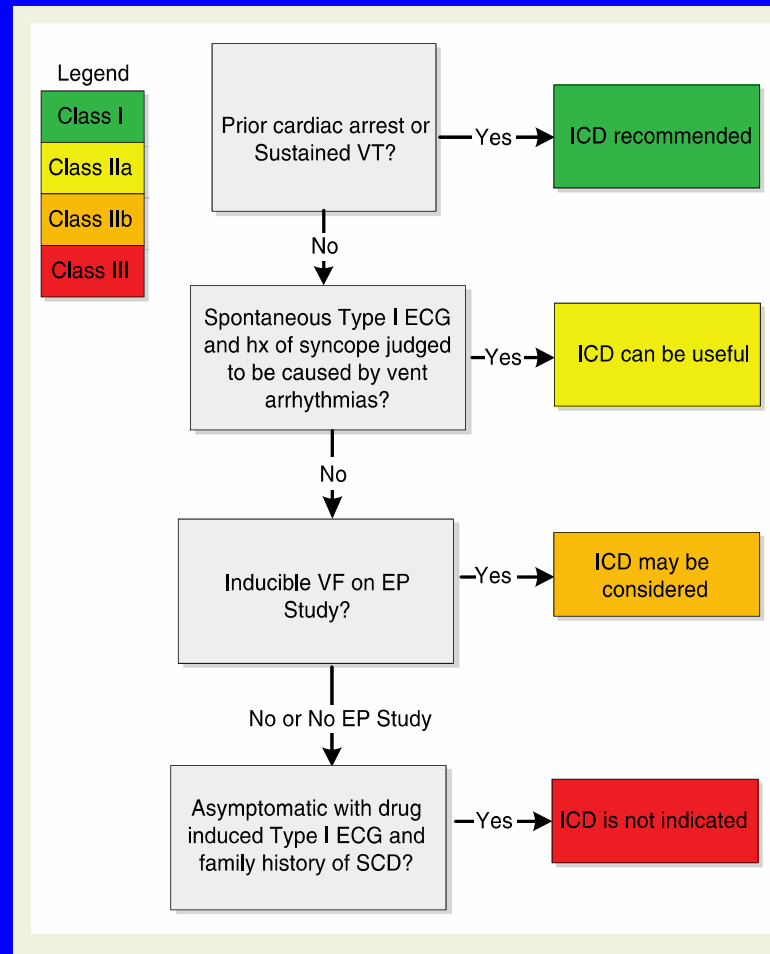
1. The following lifestyle changes **are recommended** in all patients with diagnosis of BrS:
 - a. Avoidance of drugs that may induce or aggravate ST-segment elevation in right precordial leads (e.g., Brugadadrugs.org)
 - b. Avoidance of excessive alcohol intake
 - c. Immediate treatment of fever with antipyretic drugs.
2. ICD implantation **is recommended** in patients with a diagnosis of BrS who:
 - a. Are survivors of a cardiac arrest *and/or*
 - b. Have documented spontaneous sustained VT with or without syncope.

Class IIa

3. ICD implantation **can be useful** in patients with a spontaneous diagnostic type I ECG who have a history of syncope judged to be likely caused by ventricular arrhythmias.
4. Quinidine **can be useful** in patients with a diagnosis of BrS and history of arrhythmic storms defined as more than two episodes of VT/VF in 24 hours.
5. Quinidine **can be useful** in patients with a diagnosis of BrS who:
 - a. Qualify for an ICD but present a contraindication to the ICD or refuse it *and/or*
 - b. Have a history of documented supraventricular arrhythmias that require treatment.
6. Isoproterenol infusion **can be useful** in suppressing arrhythmic storms in BrS patients.

- Class IIb
7. ICD implantation **may be considered** in patients with a diagnosis of BrS who develop VF during programmed electrical stimulation (inducible patients).
 8. Quinidine **may be considered** in asymptomatic patients with a diagnosis of BrS with a spontaneous **type I** ECG.
 9. Catheter ablation **may be considered** in patients with a diagnosis of BrS and history of arrhythmic storms or repeated appropriate ICD shocks.
- Class III
10. ICD implantation **is not indicated** in asymptomatic BrS patients with a drug-induced **type I** ECG and on the basis of a family history of sudden cardiac death (SCD) alone.
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Consensus recommendations for ICDs in patients diagnosed with Brugada syndrome



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- Ιστολογικές ενδείξεις ίνωσης του χώρου εξόδου της ΔΚ
- Ηλεκτροανατομικά χαρακτηριστικά του επικαρδίου του χώρου εξόδου της ΔΚ



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