



Ictal asystole

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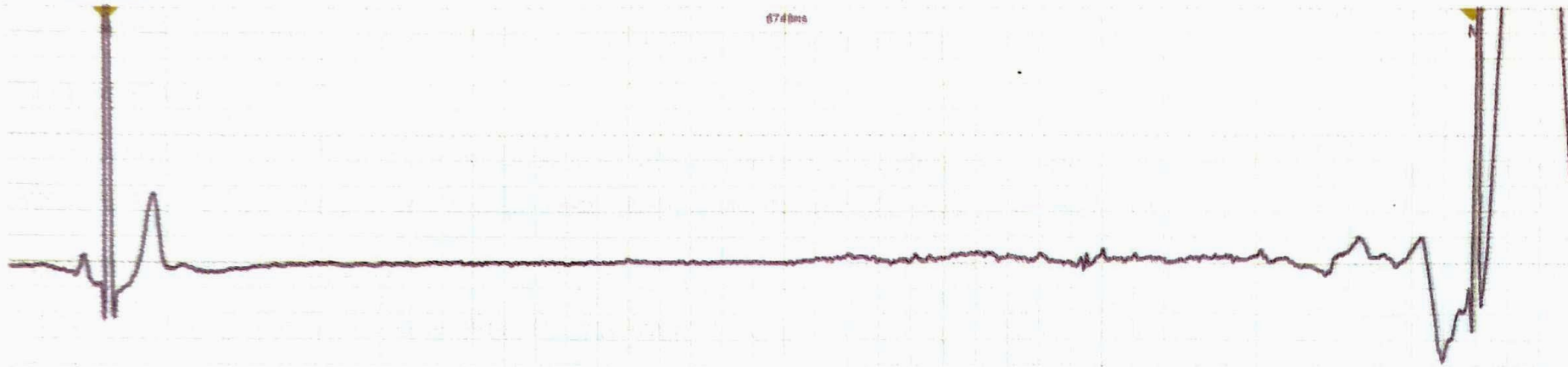
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Case description

- 40 year-old woman
- Epilepsy since the age of 15
- Currently on 3 anti-epileptic medications.
- Recent episodes Q1month- complex partial seizure, lasting 3-5 min
- Associated with syncope in the last year, and severe trauma
- Received ELR-

26.06.2023 08:46 (8^m) Sinus Arrest

Duration: 8.74"

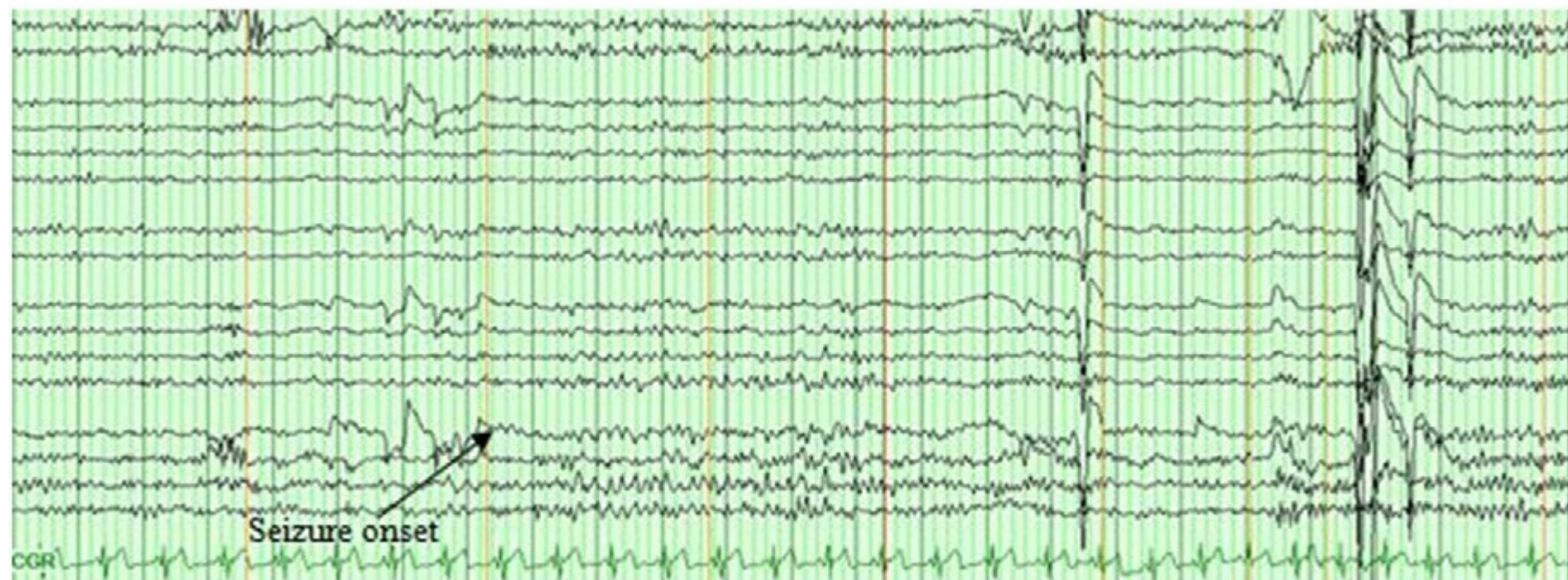


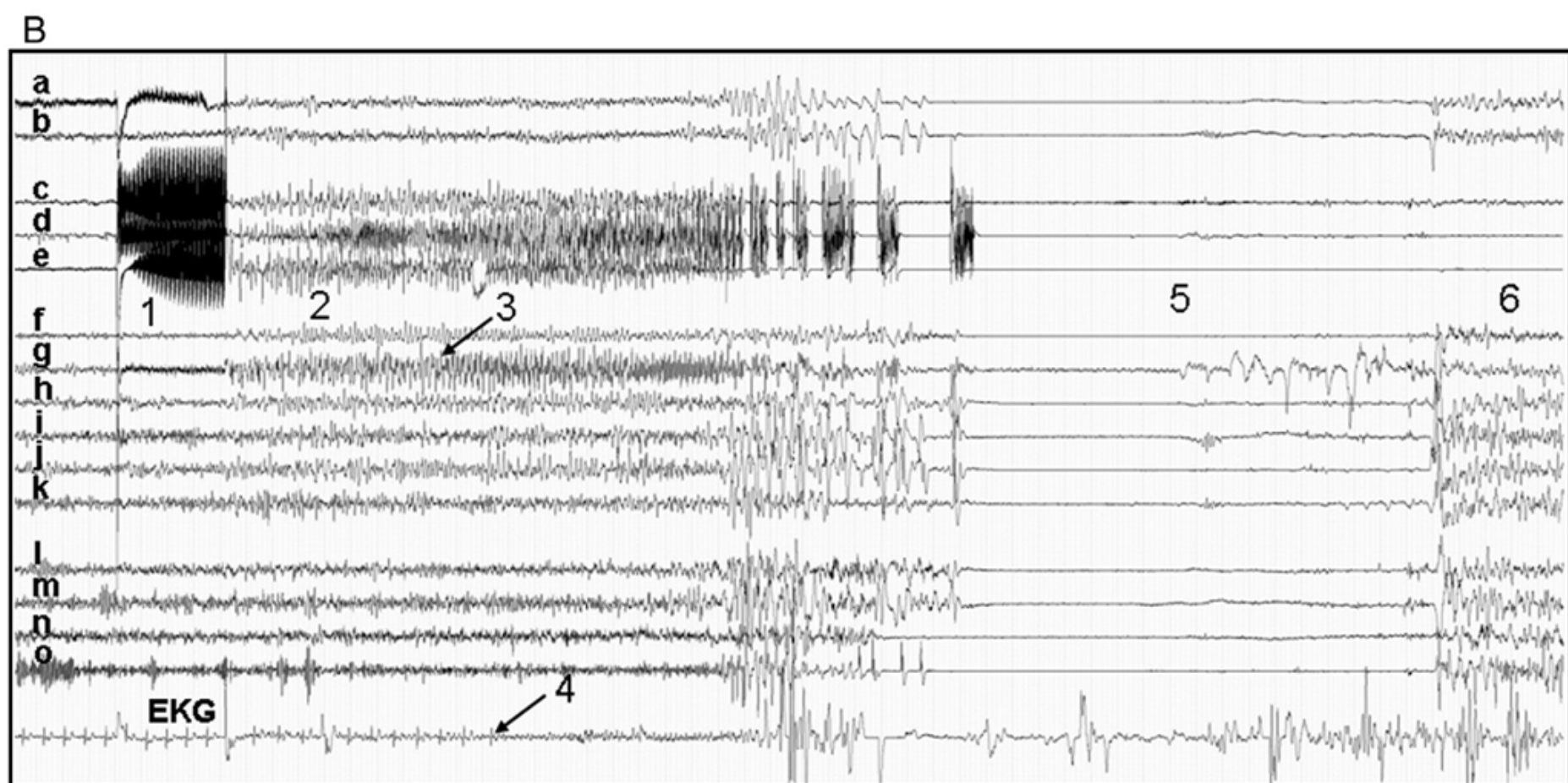
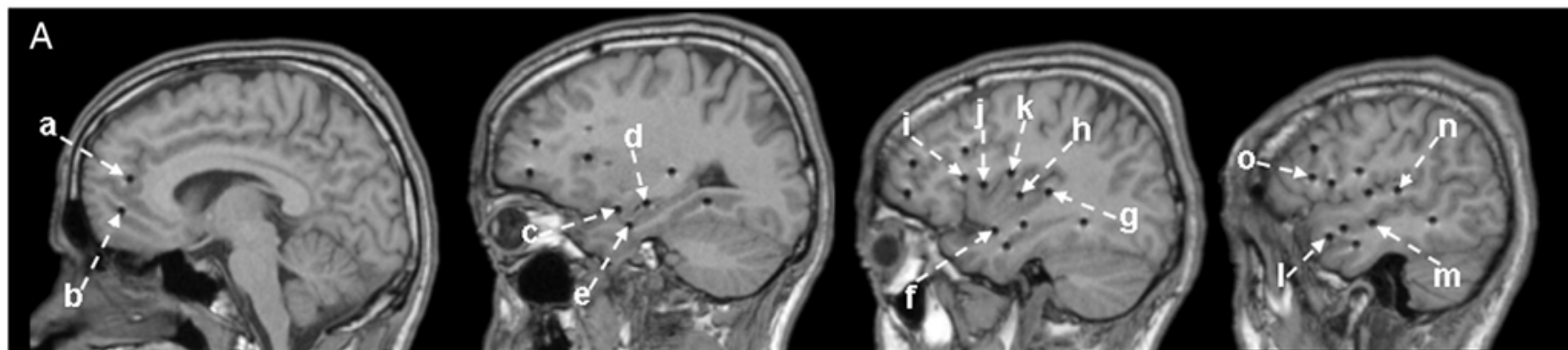
25 mm/s, 50 mm/mV

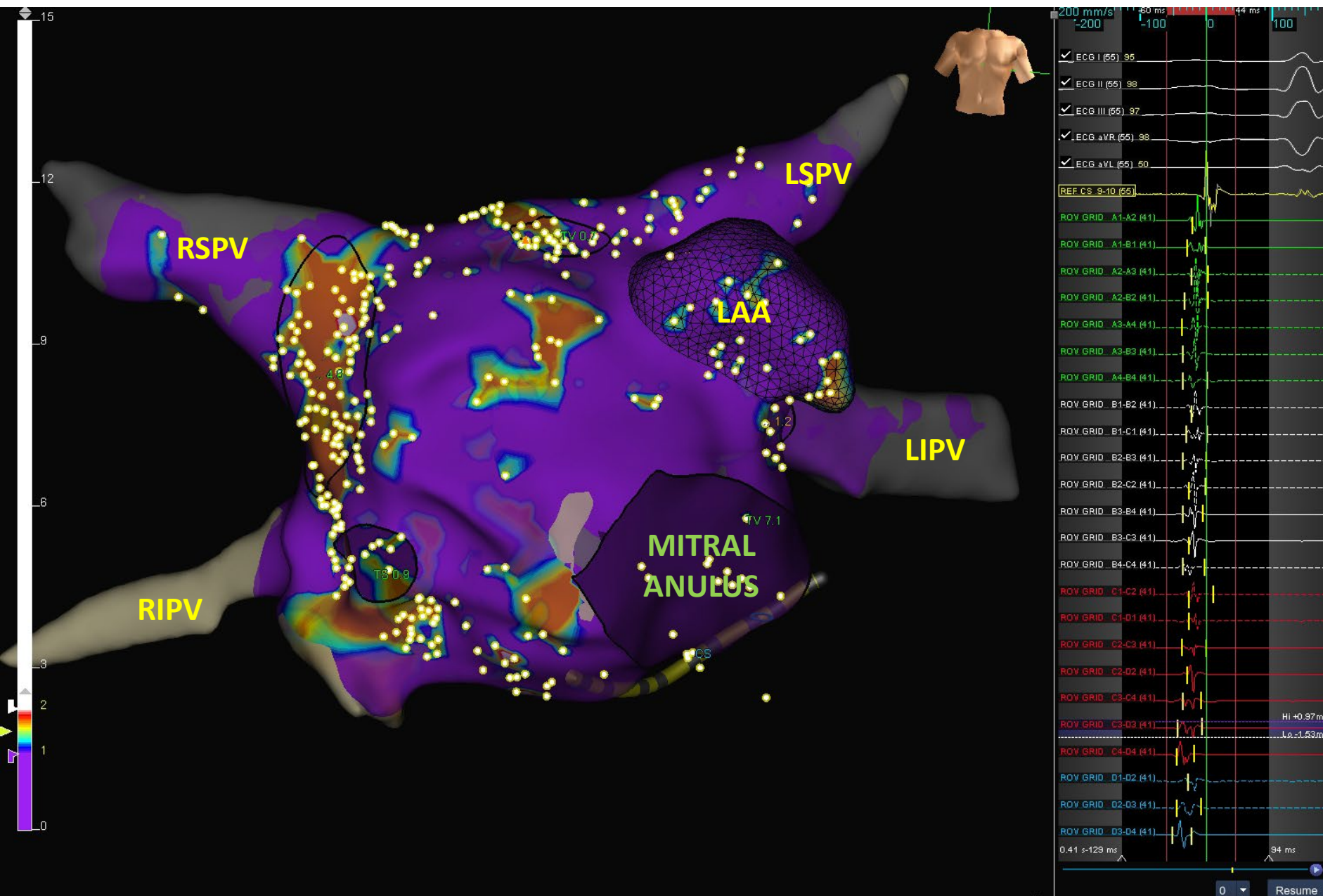


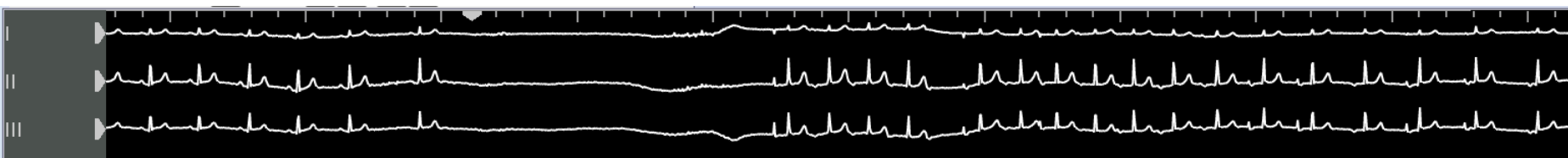
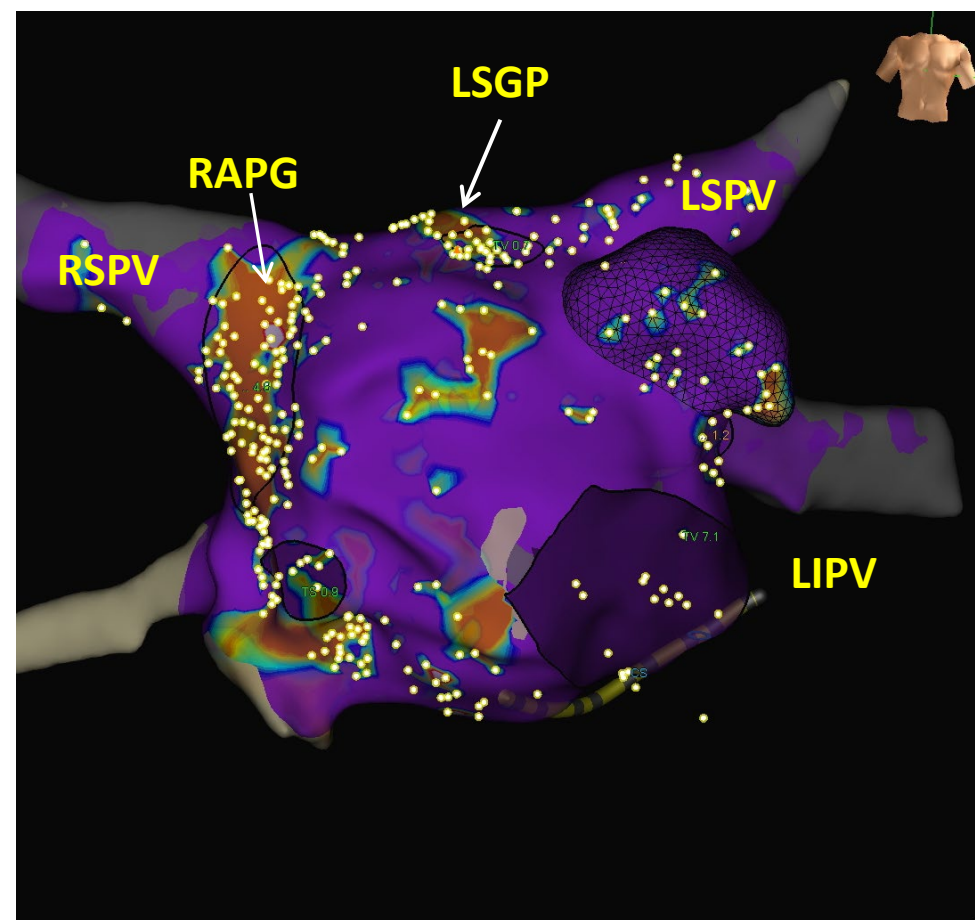
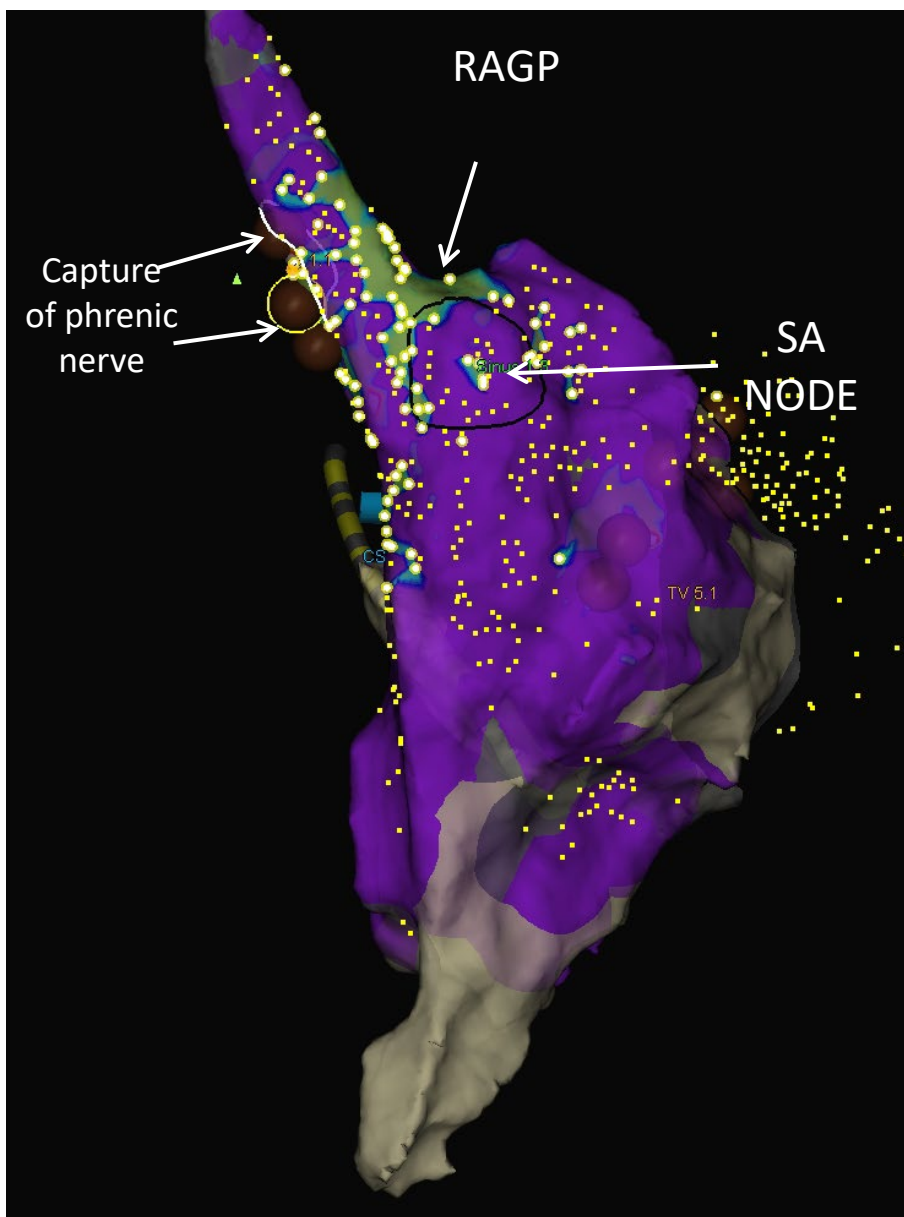
Ictal syncope

- Only small series were published
- Usually asystole > 6 sec leads to syncope
- Usually with temporal lobe seizure
- Asystole only after the seizure began
- Asystole terminates the seizure
- Possible mechanism for SUDEP (sudden unexpected death in epilepsy)
- Difficult to distinguish from the seizure
- Traditional treatment options-
 - Treatment for the Epilepsy (drug, surgery)
 - Pacemaker

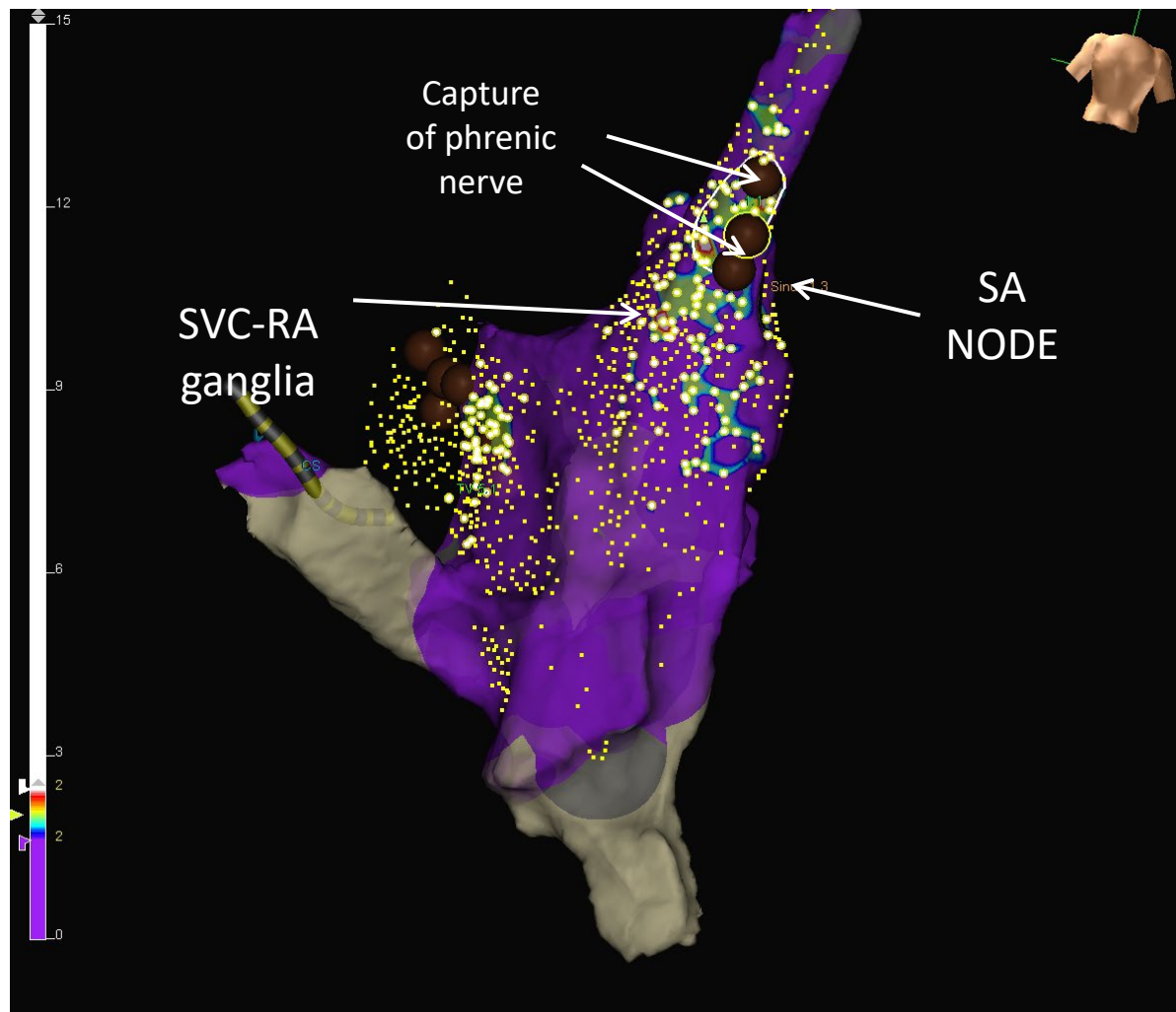




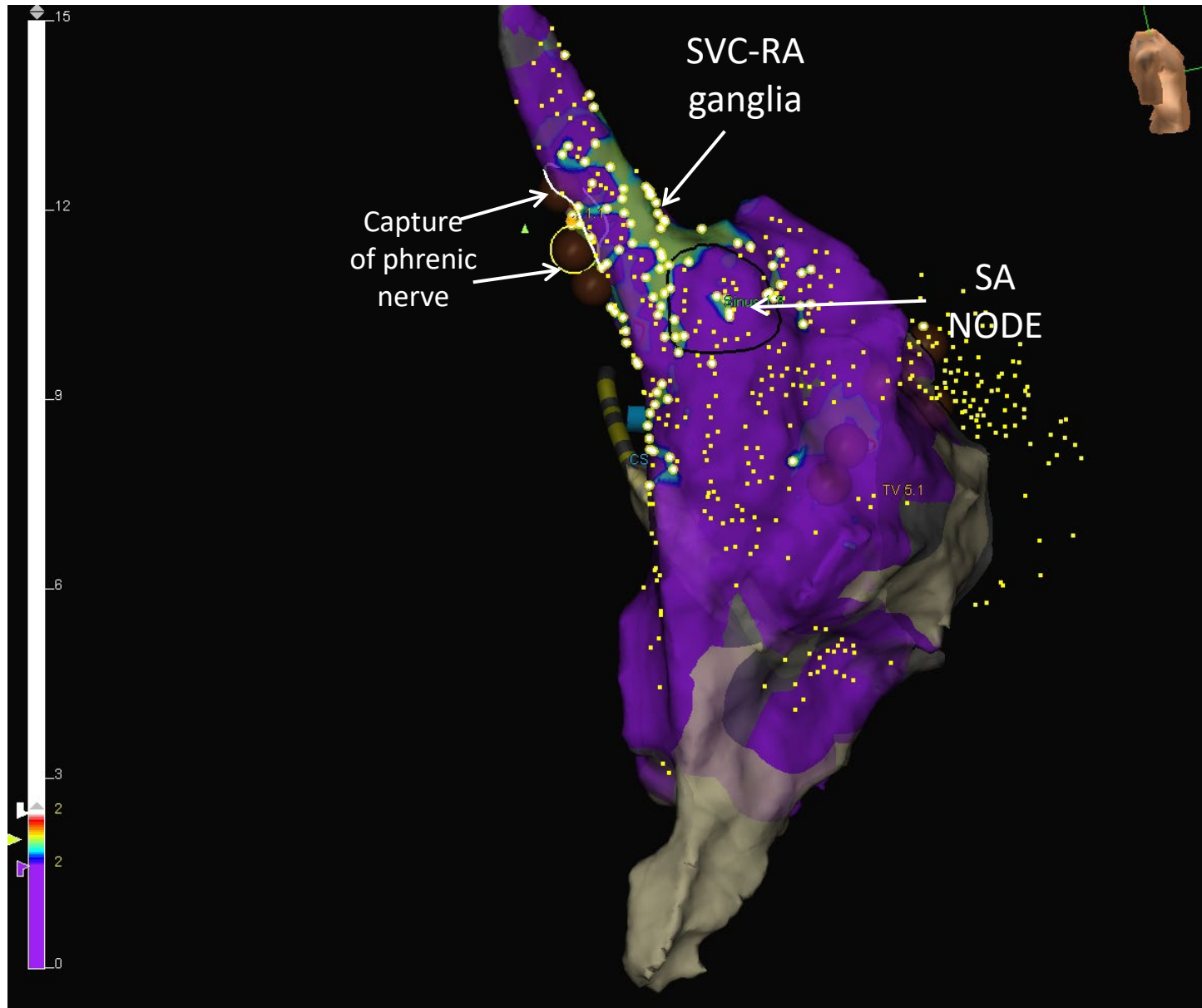




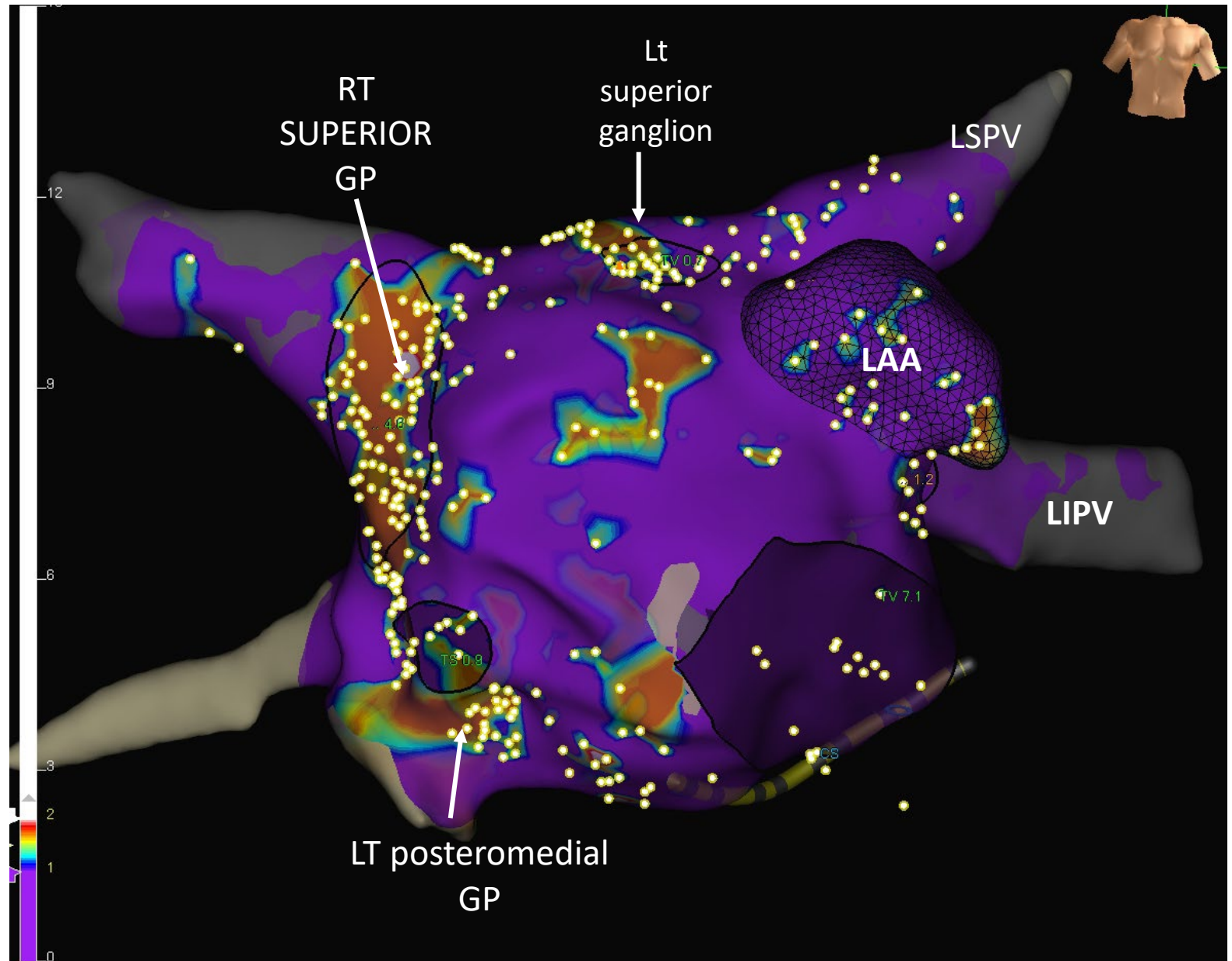
RA map, posterior view



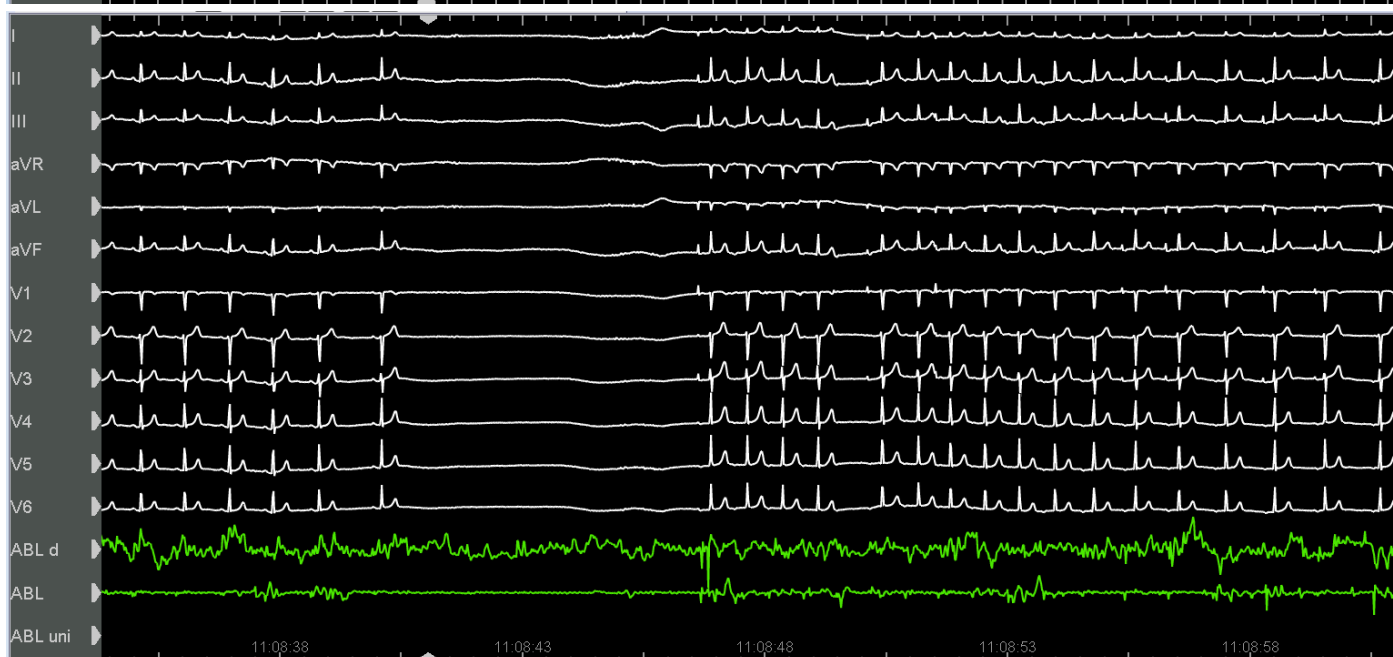
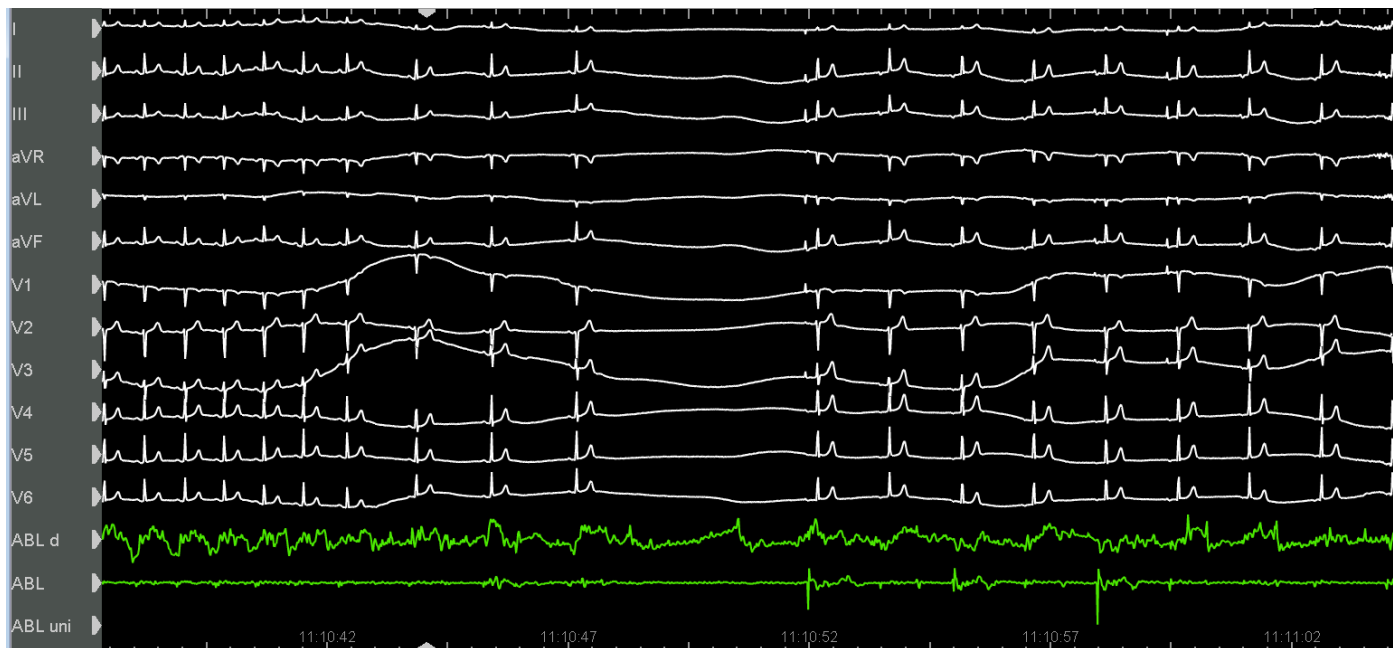
Rt lateral view of RA



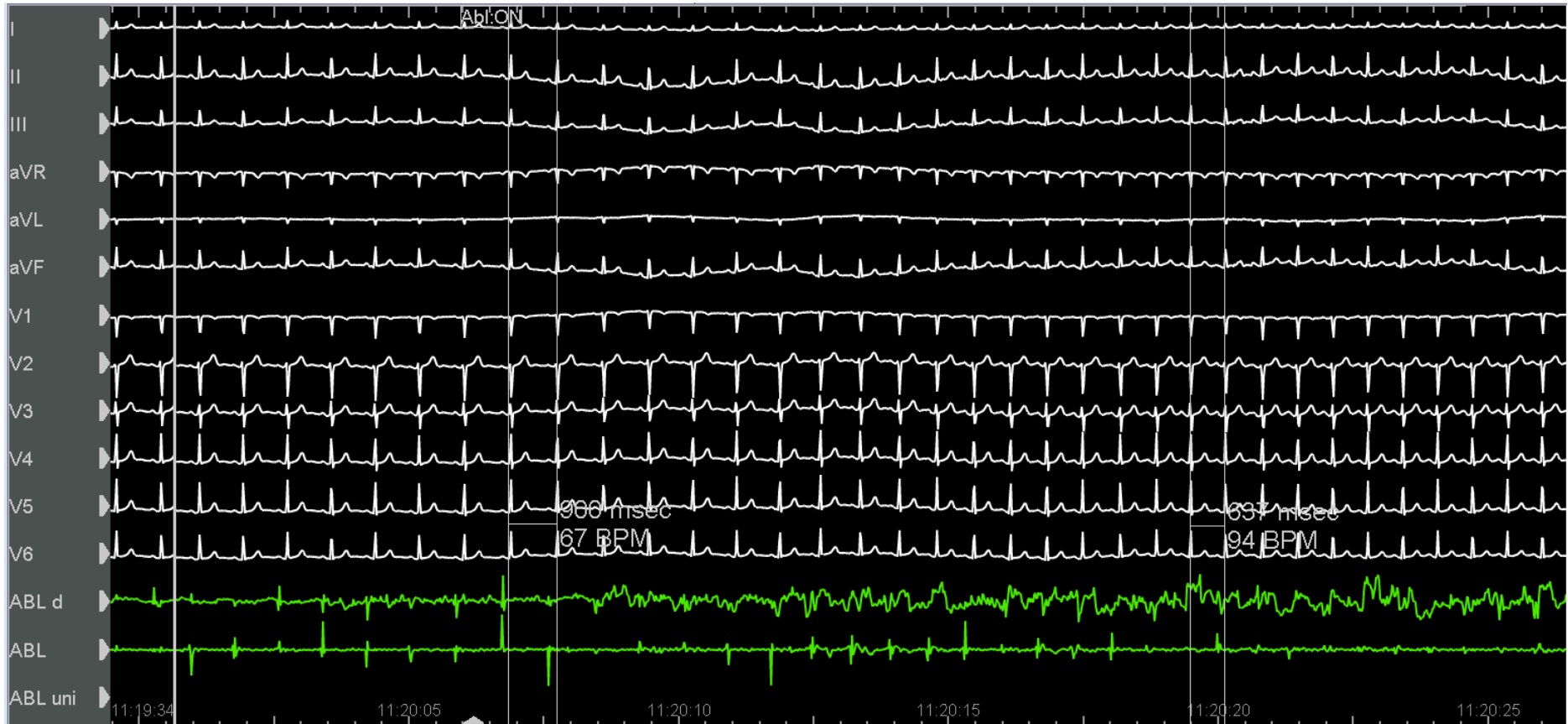
Anterior view of the left atrium



Left superior GP response- vagal



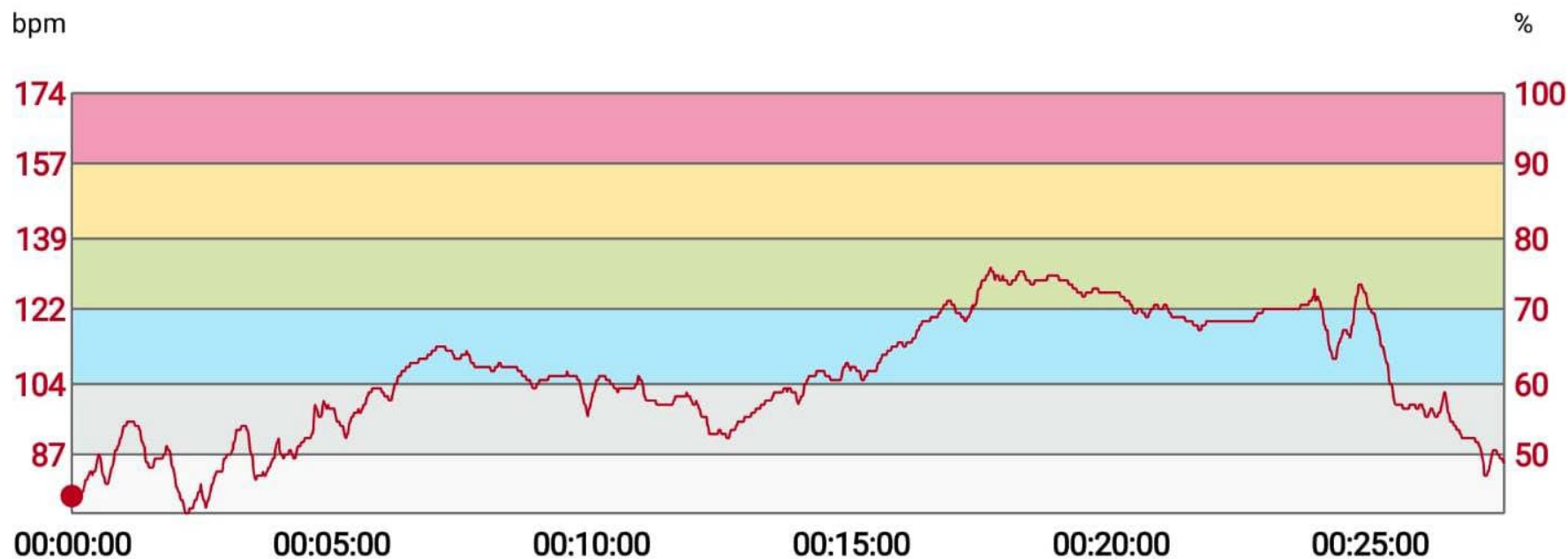
Right superior GP- acceleration response



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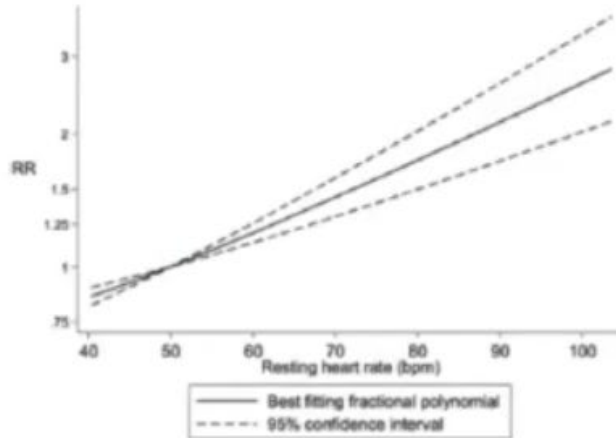
77 bpm

Heart rate

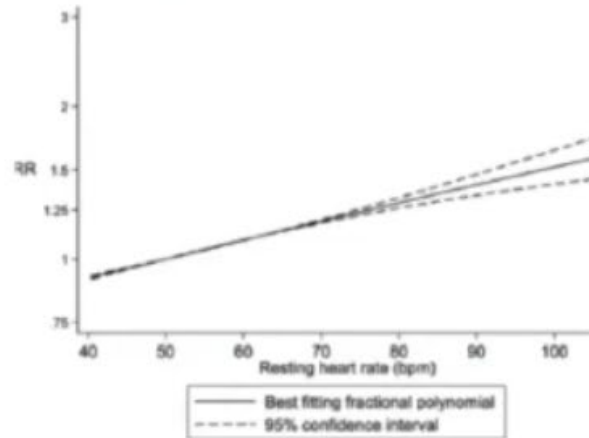


Relation between HR and various conditions

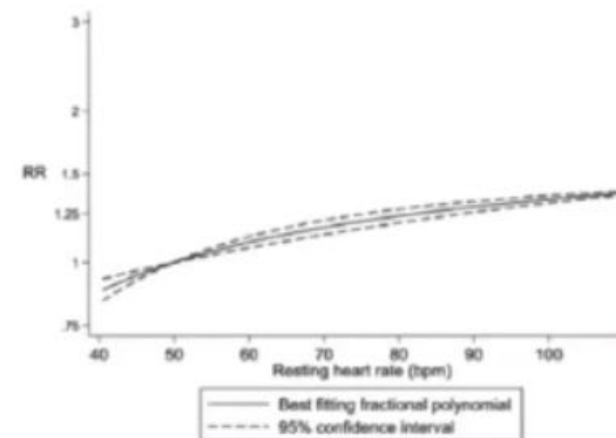
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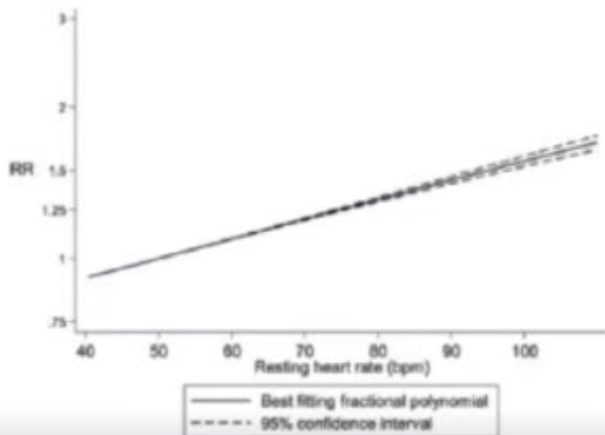
(B) TOTAL CANCER



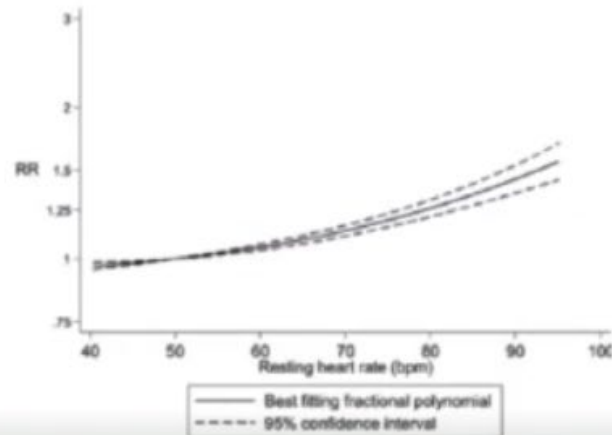
(C) TOTAL STROKE



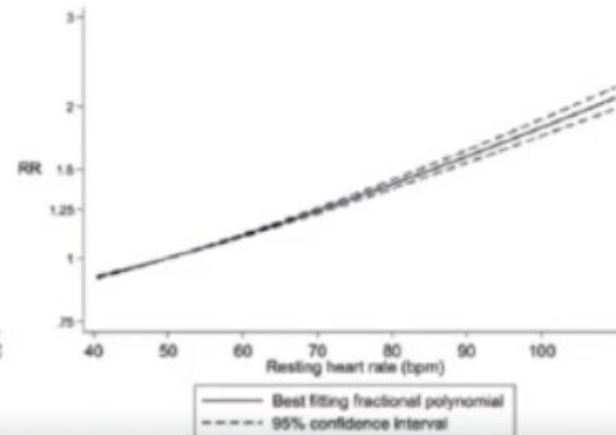
(D) CORONARY HEART DISEASE



(E) HEART FAILURE



(F) CV DISEASE



Contemporary Review



Potential consequences of cardioneuroablation for vasovagal syncope: A call for appropriately designed, sham-controlled clinical trials

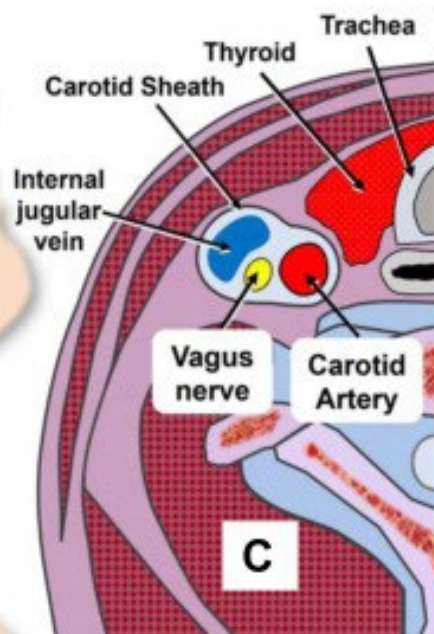
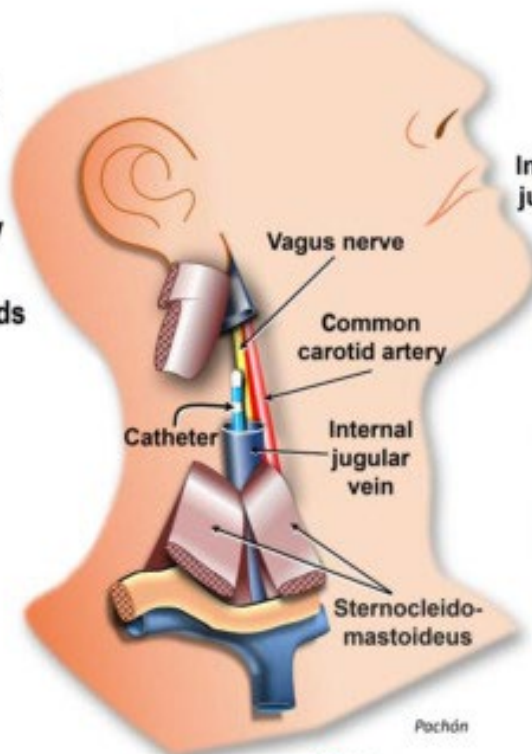
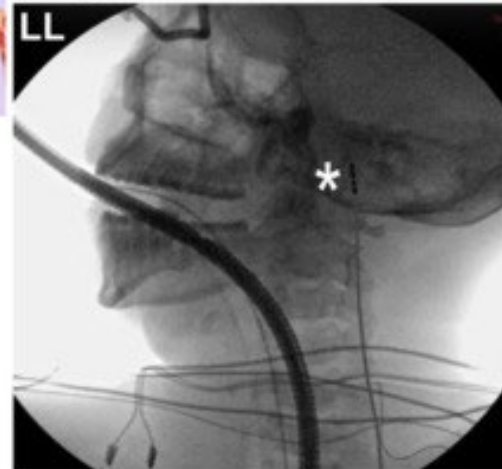
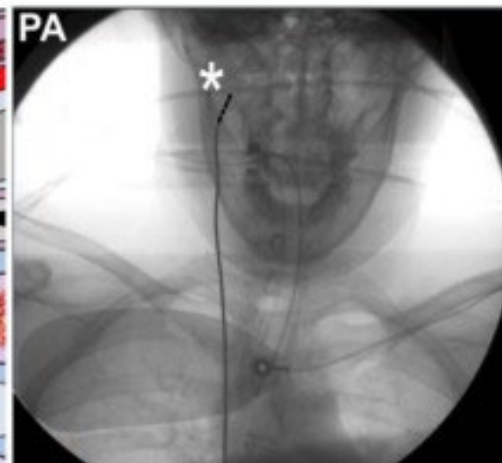
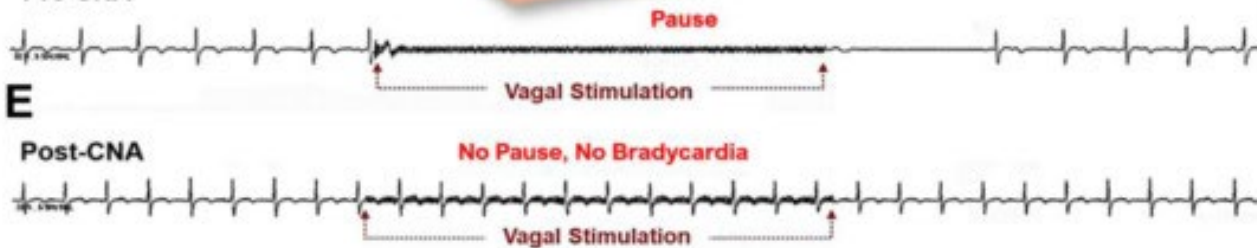
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ABSTRACT

Cardioneuroablation (CNA) is being increasingly used to treat patients with vasovagal syncope (VVS). Bradycardia, in the cardioinhibitory subtype of VVS, results from transient parasympathetic overactivity leading to sinus bradycardia and/or atrioventricular block. By mitigating parasympathetic overactivity, CNA has been shown to improve VVS symptoms in clinical studies with relatively small sample sizes and short follow-up periods (<5 years) at selected centers. However, CNA may potentially tip the autonomic balance to a state of sympathovagal imbalance with attenuation of cardiac parasympathetic activity. A higher heart rate is associated with adverse cardiovascular events and increased mortality in healthy populations without cardiovascular dis-

A

Amplitude 1V/Kg up to 70V
 Frequency 50 Hz
 Pulse Width 50 microseconds

**B****C****D****E**

Summary

- Patients with ictal syncope do not have any prodrome and may suffer severe injury during asystole.
- CNA is an option for patients with ictal syncope that cannot be controlled with anti-epileptic treatment.
- Many “unknowns” including where and how to ablate, duration of the effects...
- Long term risks of decreased parasympathetic tone are expected