

# 2017 Acute Coronary Syndrome

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# ACS

## Definitions: Acute Myocardial Ischemia

- Unstable Angina
- Non-ST-Elevation MI (NSTEMI) } <sup>2/3</sup>
- ST-Elevation MI (STEMI) 1/3

Acute Coronary Syndrome

No ST Elevation

ST Elevation

NSTEMI

*Myocardial Infarction*

Unstable Angina

NQMI

QwMI

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- Pathophysiology : acute change/destabilization/rupture of coronary arterial plaque with inflammation and acute thrombus formation.

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## Evaluation

- History
  - Physical
  - EKG
  - Serum cardiac markers/enzymes
- } treatment triage

\* R/O requires 8-12 hrs after sx onset

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## History

- Age
- Symptoms: Chest pain
  - ❖ Quality
  - ❖ Onset
  - ❖ Duration
  - ❖ But... 1/3 present with symptoms other than chest pain (older, women, hx. of CHF, diabetes)
- Past Cardiac History
- Coronary Risk Factors

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## Physical Exam

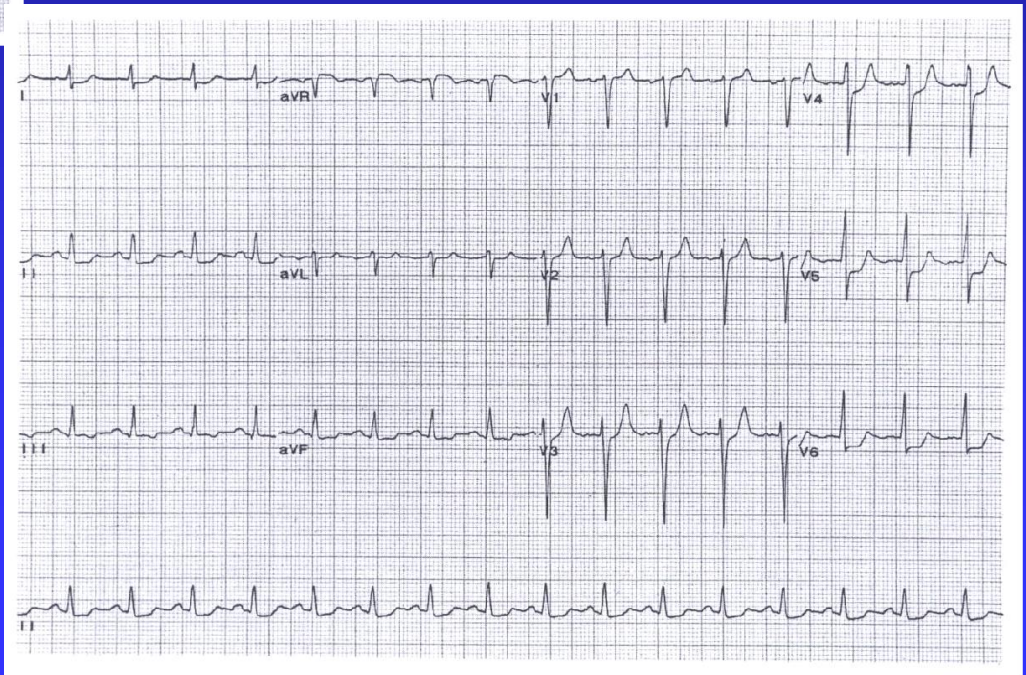
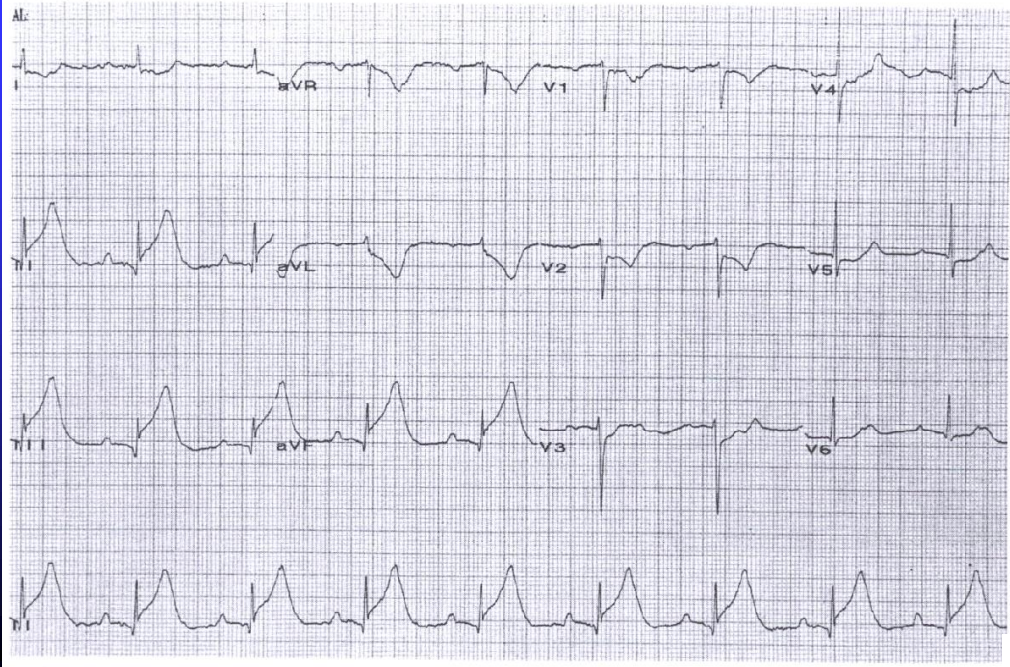
- General: signs of hypoperfusion (cool, clammy, ashen)
- Vital Signs: hypertensive, hypotensive, tachycardic
- JVP: elevated ?
- Lungs: rales ?
- Heart: murmur (new?),  $S_3$
- Neuro. : signs of prior CVA

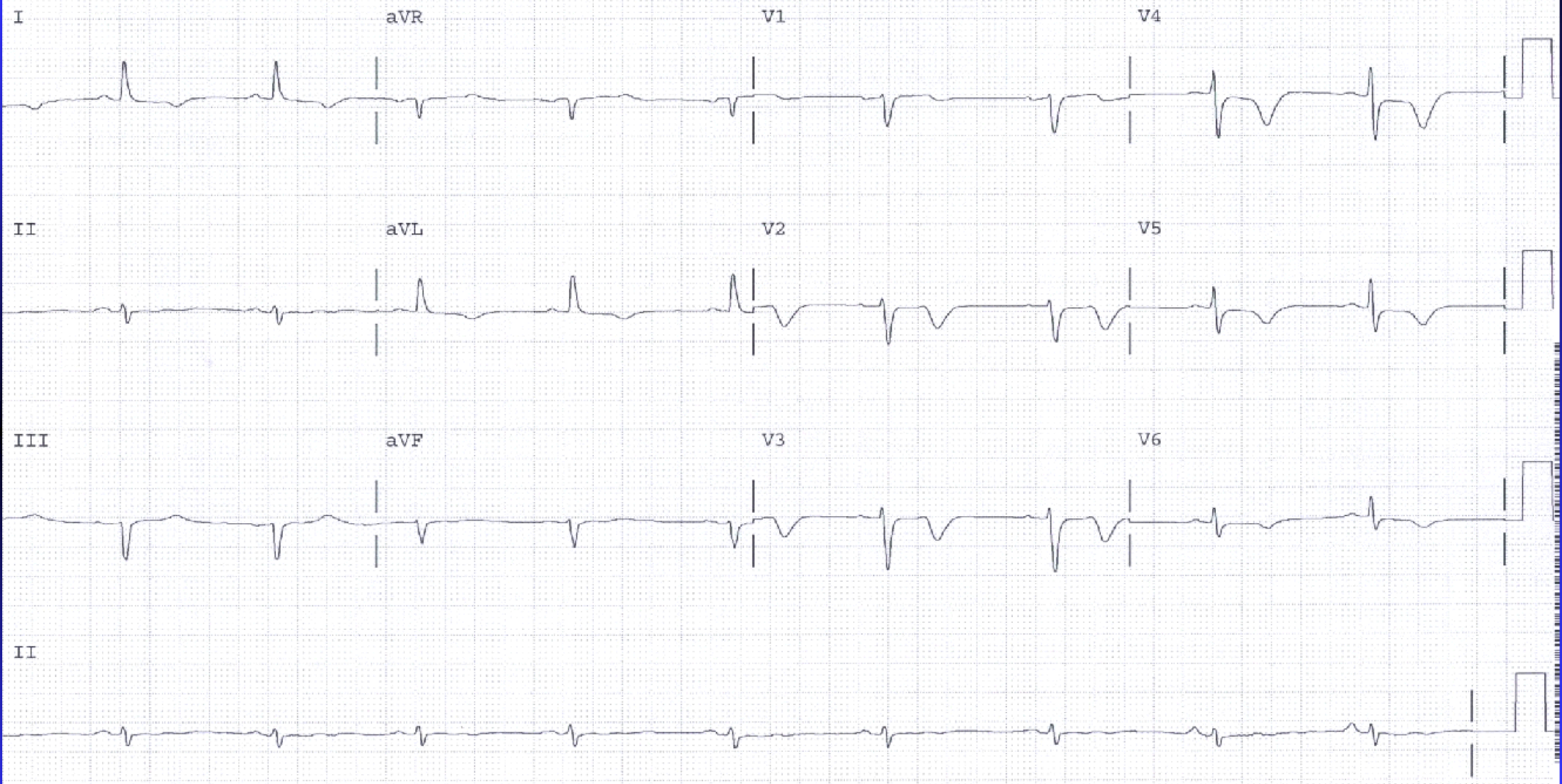


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## EKG: cornerstone of treatment decision

- ST Elevation: acute reperfusion recommended
  - $> 0.1\text{mV}$  in 2 contiguous leads
  - new LBBB
  - acute true posterior MI (ST ↓ V1-4 with tall R-waves right precordial leads and upright T-waves)
- Non-ST-Elevation: lytics not indicated
  - ST- depression
  - T-wave inversion
  - “normal”

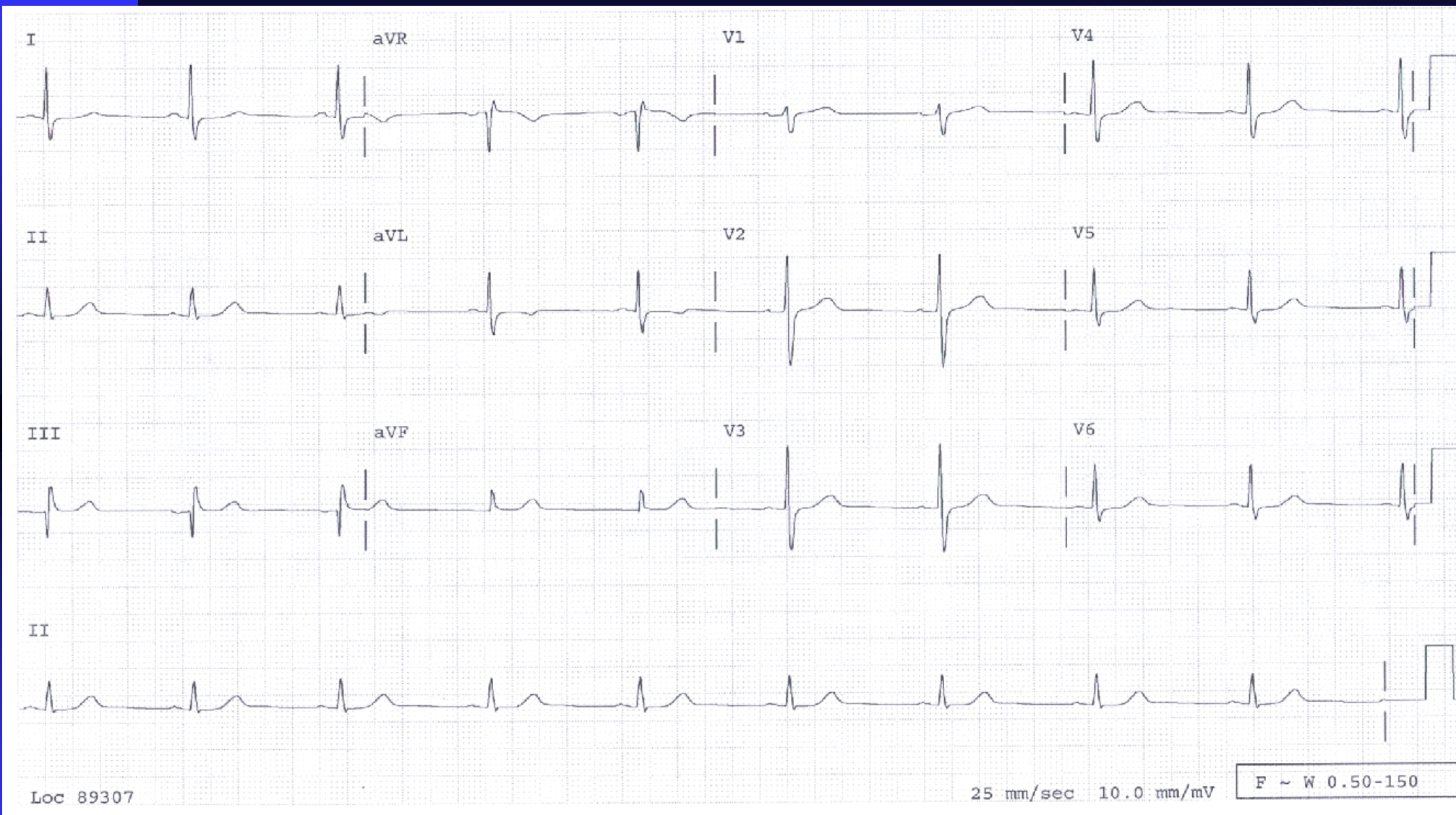




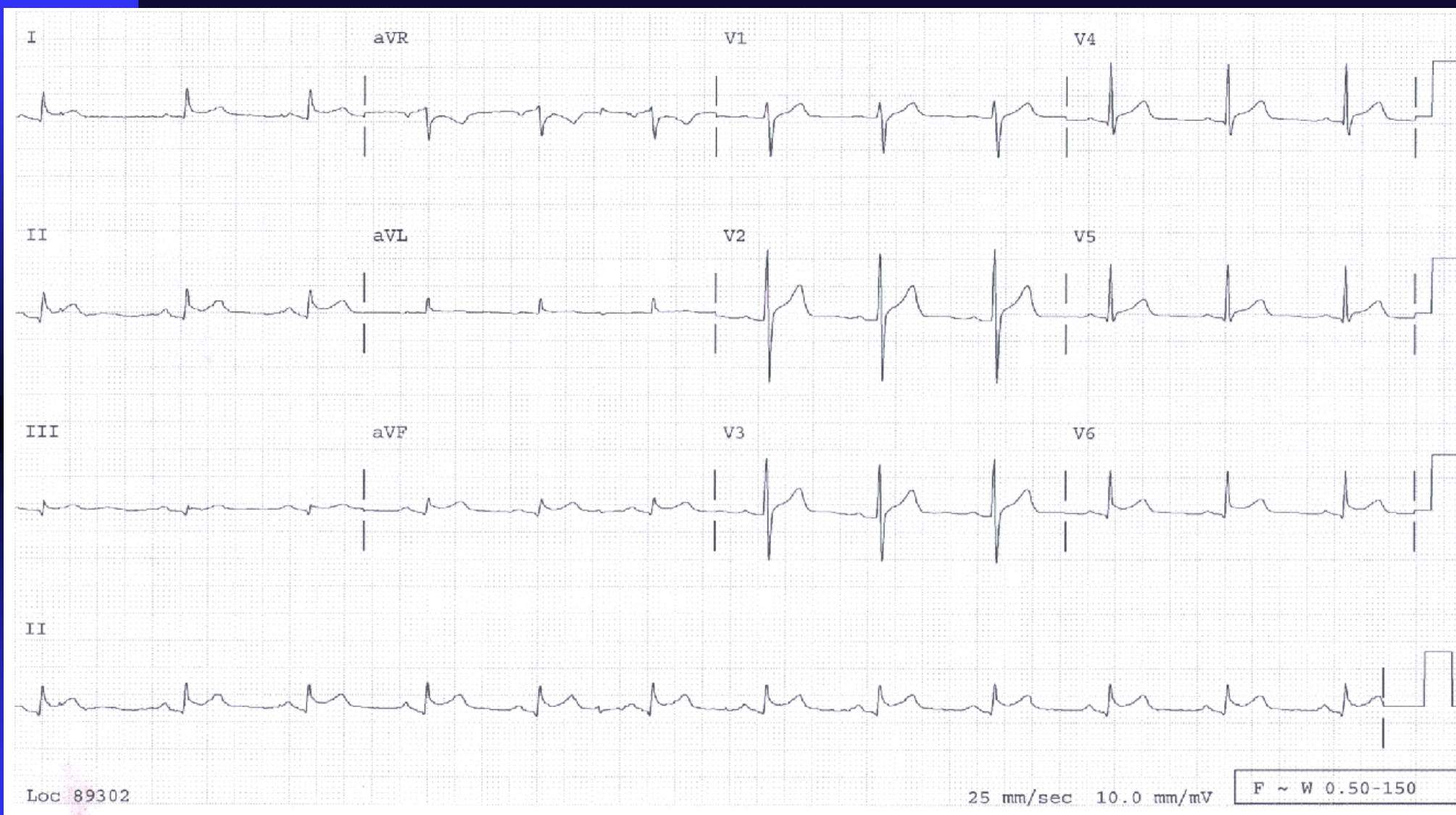
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25 mm/sec 10.0 mm/mV

F ~ W 0.50-150



Dynamic ECG changes



ST elevation in II > III, V5 V6

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## Serum Cardiac Markers: should not delay treatment

- CK - MB: 6 hrs to 1-3 days
    - Specificity and sensitivity decreased vs. Troponin
    - Value = re-infarct, peri-procedural MI
    - Isolated ↑ = no value
  - Troponin (I, T): 6 hrs to 1-2 weeks
    - preferred biomarker to diagnose myocardial injury
    - specificity and sensitivity increased vs. CK-MB
  - Myoglobin: 2 hrs to <24 hrs
    - sensitivity increased: early
    - Not cardiac specific
- \* high negative predictive value

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## STEMI

- Reperfusion strategy
  - Thrombolytic therapy
  - “Primary” PCI (angioplasty)
  - “Rescue” PCI (post-lytics)
  - “Non-emergent” PCI (post-lytics)
- Infarct related artery patency = predictor of survival
- **GREATEST BENEFIT = 1<sup>st</sup> 2-3 HRS**

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## STEMI

Thrombolytics: FMC-device time > 120 mins

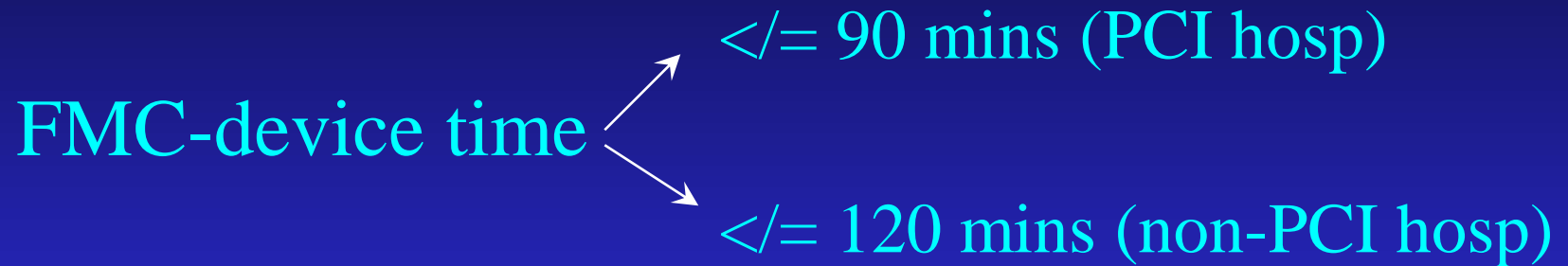
Door-needle time  $\leq$  30 mins

- Alteplase (TPA), Reteplase (rPA), Tenecteplase (TNK)
- 90-min patency rate = 75%-85%
- TIMI-3 Flow = 50-60%
- ↓ efficacy in patients presenting with CHF or shock
- ACC/AHA: patients with cardiogenic shock or severe heart failure (Killip 3 or 4-pulm edema, shock) should be transferred immediately to a hospital with a cath lab and PCI/CABG capabilities.



# ACS STEMI

## Primary Angioplasty:



- Patency and TIMI-3 flow rate:  $\geq 90\%$
- Logistics
- The greater the risk = the greater the benefit  
(ie. anterior MI, heart failure, shock)

# ACS STEMI Antiplatelet Therapy

- ASA load : 160-325mg (uncoated)
- Clopidogrel: 75 mg daily
  - \* load = 300 mg (lytic tx & < 75 yo)
  - \* load = 600 mg (PCI)
  - \* newer = prasugrel (60 mg), ticagrelor (180 mg)
    - [avoid prasugrel if hx CV/TIA, age>75, wt < 60 kg] -

# ACS - STEMI

## Anticoagulant Therapy

- Primary PCI:
  - UFH
  - or...Bivalirudin
- Lytics:
  - UFH (48 hrs)
  - or...LMWH (duration of hosp)
  - or...Fondaparinux (duration of hosp)

# ACS STEMI Summary

PCI hosp



Primary PCI



FMC-device time  $\leq$  90  
mins

Non-PCI hosp



Transfer for PCI if FMC-  
device time  $\leq$  120 mins  
[DIDO  $\leq$  30 mins]

or...

Lytics if FMC-device time  
> 120 mins... then transfer  
for cath

# ACS STEMI

## Rescue Angioplasty

- def.: emergent PCI after failed fibrinolysis  
(determined by sx, EKG, hemodynamics)
- Recommendations:
  - ❖ Cardiogenic Shock
  - ❖ Severe heart failure
  - ❖ Ongoing ischemia = CP, ST↑ @ 90 min

# ACS STEMI

- Delayed Invasive Management:  
Routinely early cath (3-24 hrs) after  
lytic tx in all patients (class IIa) !!!

# ACS NSTEMI

## Treatment

- “Lytics” not indicated
- Angioplasty = “Invasive strategy”
- Medical therapy = “Conservative strategy”
  - \* non-high risk patients

# ACS NSTEMI Medical Therapy

Conservative: ischemia-driven strategy

ASA

Plus ... Clopidogrel or Ticagrelor

Plus ... Anticoagulant

Invasive Strategy: urgent/immediate or within 24-72 hrs

ASA

Plus ... Clopidogrel or Ticagrelor

Plus ... Anticoagulant

? Plus... IIB/IIIa (high risk patients)



# ACS NSTEMI

## Medical Therapy

- Anti-Coagulant
  - ❖ Low Molecular Weight Heparin
  - ❖ Unfractionated Heparin (UFH)
  - ❖ Fondaparinux
  - ❖ Bivalirudin (invasive strategy, omit GP 2b/3a)
- Anti-Platelet / IIb-IIIa inhib (parenteral)
  - ❖ Abciximab (Reopro): option with PCI (GUSTO-IV ACS)
  - ❖ Tirofiban (Aggrastat): with/without PCI (Prism Plus)
  - ❖ Eptifibatid (Integrellin): with/without PCI (Pursuit)
- Anti-Platelet (enteral)
  - ❖ Clopidigrel (CURE)

# ACS NSTEMI

## Risk Stratification

- Early invasive strategy: ? All
- TIMI score, GRACE, PURSUIT
- Hemodynamic or electrical instability
- Elevated cardiac markers
  - ❖ Troponin
  - ❖ ? BNP
- Acute EKG changes: ST-depression, new BBB
- Prior MI, CABG, PCI (in 6 mos)
- Age (> 75)
- Multiple coronary risk factors

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## Adjunctive Medical Therapy

Oxygen

ASA

Nitrates = SL +/- IV

\*Caution: recent ED med use, RVMI, low BP, tachy, brady

Morphine:

\* STEMI = class 1

\* UA/NSTEMI = class IIb

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## Adjunctive Medical Therapy

- Beta Blockers:

Oral = 1<sup>st</sup> 24 hrs

IV = avoid unless HTN or tachyarrhythmia

\* COMMIT = ↑ risk cardiogenic shock (day 0-1)  
↓ risk re-infarct & VFib (> day 1)

\* Avoid: CHF, PR >240 ms, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> degree AVB, asthma

\* Caution - risk markers for shock:

age >70yo, BP < 120, HR >110 or <60, late presentation

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## Adjunctive Medical Therapy

- ACE inhibitors: within 24 hours, oral dosing
  - \* Ant MI, or EF  $\leq$  40%, or CHF (class I)
  - \* All STEMI patients (class IIa)
- Aldosterone
  - \* LVEF  $\leq$  40% and CHF or diabetes (class I)
- Statin = high dose

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## Adjunctive Medical Therapy

### NSAID's

All are contraindicated during hospitalization  
for AMI = except Aspirin

\* ↑ risk of death, reinfarct, HTN, CHF, cardiac  
rupture.

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## Complications

- Electrical instability
- Hemodynamic instability / Shock
- CHF
- Depressed LV function (EF<40%)
- Recurrent ischemia

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## Complications

- CHF/shock : stabilize  transfer
  - Diagnosis: Echo
  - Treatment: Meds., IABP, Cath / revascularization



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## Mechanical Complications

- “Pump” failure: right, left, both : reperfusion
  - Acute MR
  - Acute Septal rupture (“VSD”)
  - Free wall rupture
- } echo  
surgery

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## Right Ventricular Infarction - Complications

- Diagnosis
  - inferior MI = ~ 1/3 of patients
  - ST↑ V1, V4-R
  - Triad = Hypotension, JVD, “Clear” lungs
  - Echocardiogram
- Treatment - Volume, Catecholamines, maintain A-V synchrony, early reperfusion
- Prognosis -



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## Electrical Complications

- Brady-arrhythmia
- Tachy-arrhythmia
  - ❖ SVT  sinus tach  
other
  - ❖ VT

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## Electrical Indications for Pacing

- Prognosis: extent of myocardial necrosis
- Indications (transvenous or transcutaneous)
  - Symptomatic bradycardia
  - 2<sup>o</sup> AVB - Mobitz II
  - 3<sup>o</sup> AVB
  - RBBB plus fascicular block
  - New BBB
  - Asystole
  - Alternating BBB

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## Ventricular Arrhythmias

- early {
- VT/VF: ACLS guidelines
  - Non-sustained VT, PVC's, idioventricular rhythm: no anti-arrhythmic

- Late (>48 hrs.) {
- VT/VF: electrophysiology evaluation for ICD
  - NSVT: LVEF evaluation; electrophysiology evaluation
  - Prophylaxis: ICD for recovered (> 90 days)  
EF < 30 (NYHA I) -35% (NYHA II-III)

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## Risk Stratification - Re-visited

- LVEF: Echo, Nuclear
- Ischemia: Stress testing
  - ❖ Submaximal: pre-discharge
  - ❖ Symptom limited: early post-discharge
- Risk: ischemia, ↓ EF (<40%), hemodynamic instability/CHF, ventricular electrical instability, diabetes, prior revascularization

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## Secondary Prevention

- Statin: atorvastatin 80 mg daily
- ASA lifelong: 75-162mg (lifelong)
- ACE inhibitor: maybe all
- Beta-blocker: long term
- Aldosterone antagonist: impaired LV (EF $\leq$ 40%)... w/ CHF or DM (EPHESUS trial)
- Warfarin anticoagulation: thrombus, atrial fibrillation, ?  
extensive regional wall motion abnormality (eg: anterior MI) = but  
CAUTION with dual anti-plt tx.
- Clopidogrel: ASA intolerant, post-stent, USA,  
NSTEMI, STEMI... All ACS ~ 1yr
- Cardiac Rehab