

# **Primer elektriksel bozuklukların tedavisinde yeni gelişmeler: Brugada sendromu**

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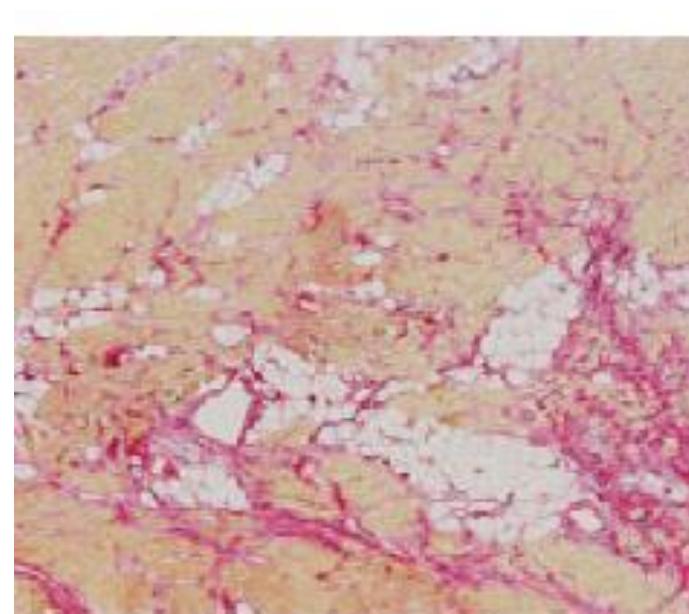
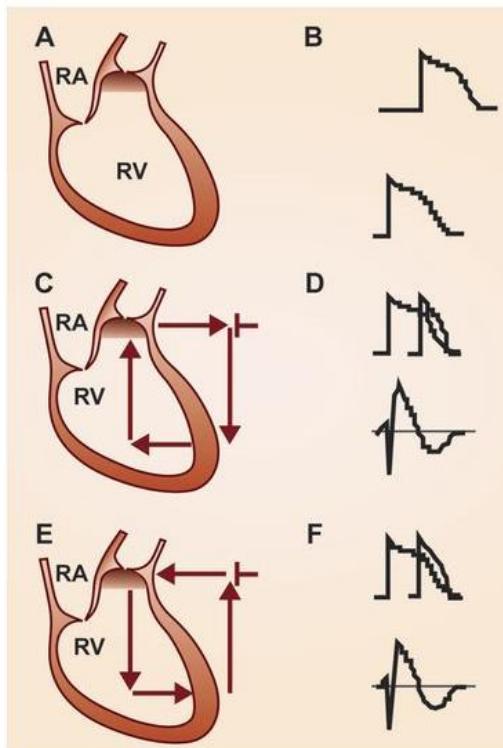
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# Aritmik substrat ile ilgili teoriler

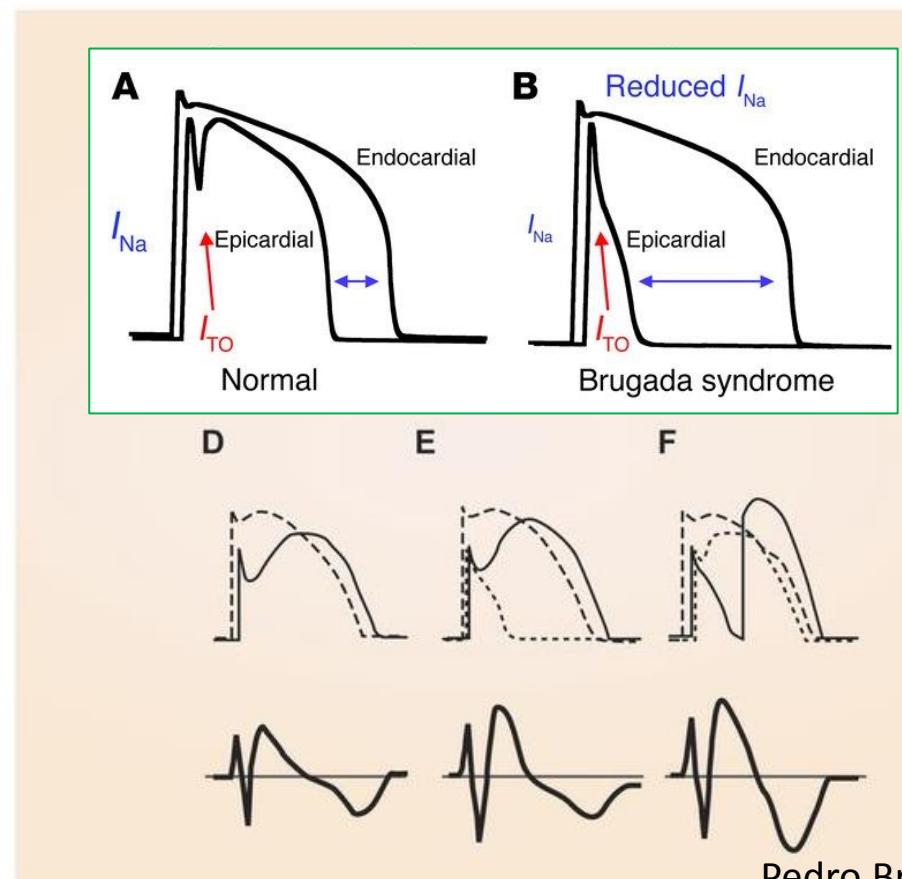
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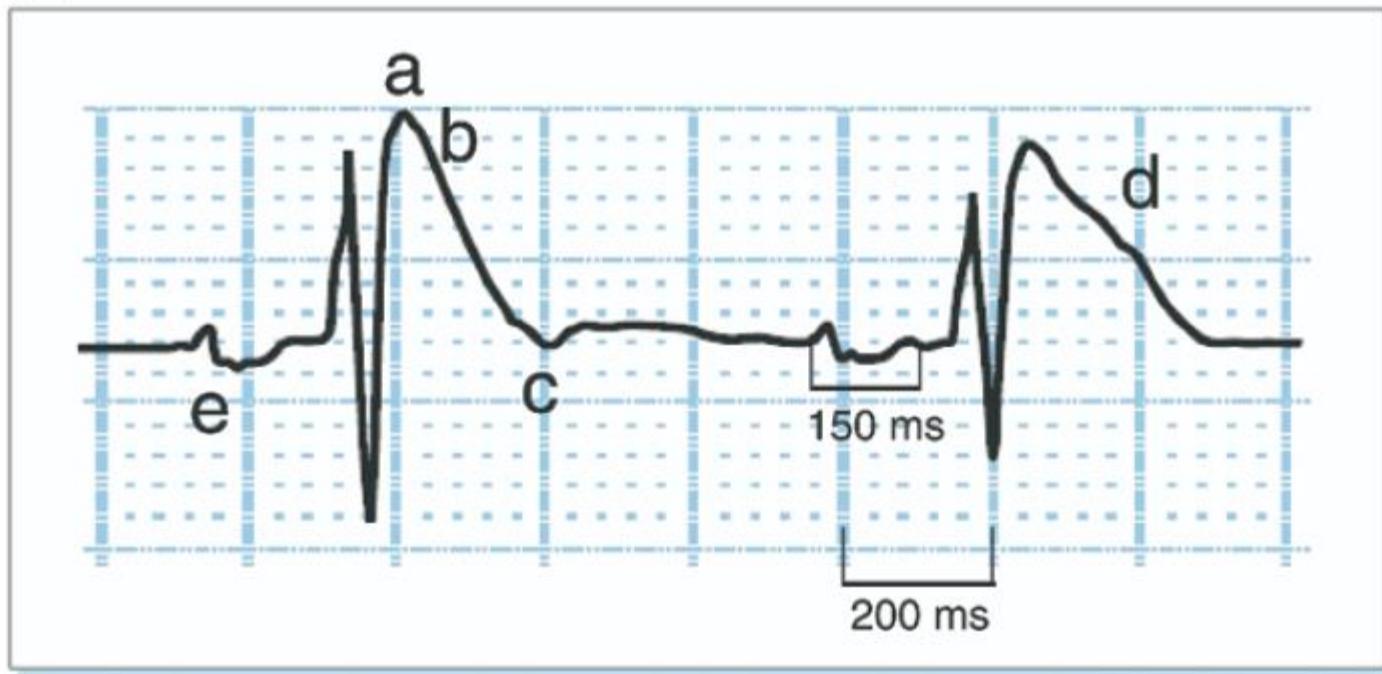
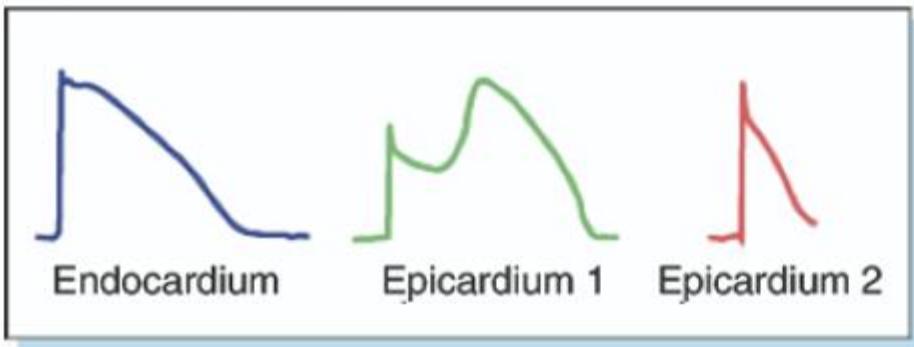
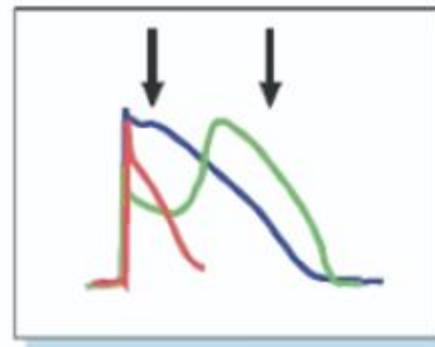


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# Aritmik substrat ile ilgili teoriler

## Repolarizasyon bozukluğu teorisi *RVOT epikardi*



**A****B****C**

# Brugada Syndrome

## Intrinsic Heterogeneity

↓  $I_{Na}, I_{Ca}$   
↑  $I_{to}, I_{Kr}, I_{Ks}, I_{K-ATP}, I_{Cl(Ca)}$

Loss of AP Dome  
In Epicardium

↑ Dispersion of Repolarization

Transmural

Epicardial

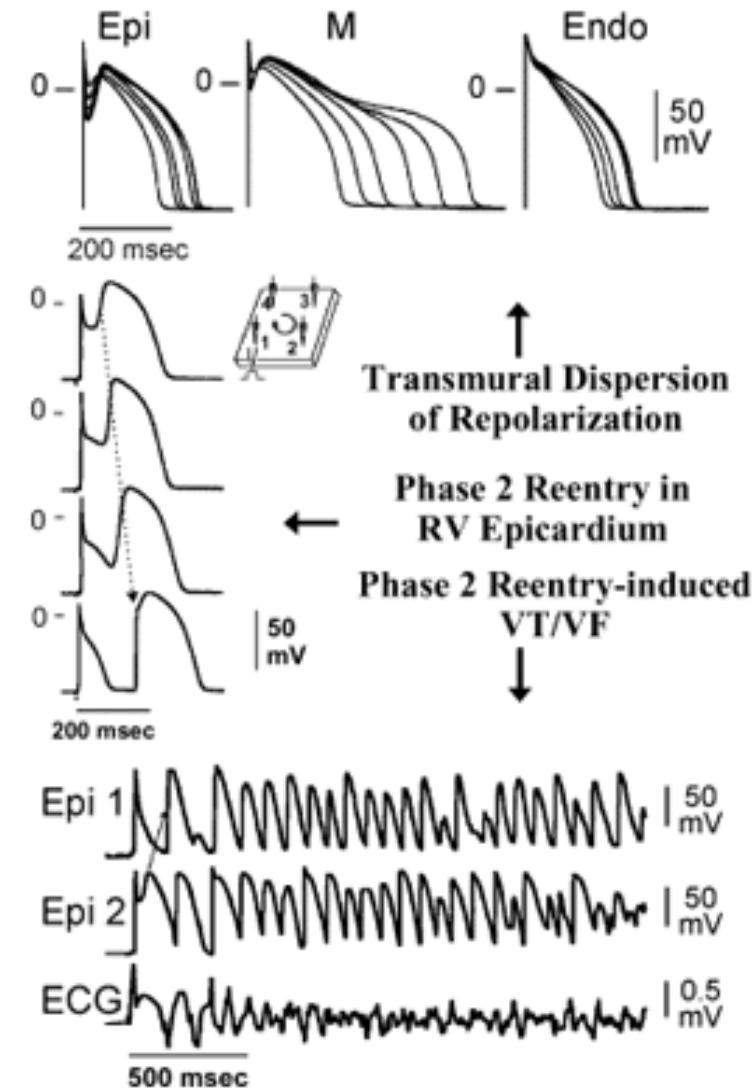
↔ QT interval

↑ ST Segment

Phase 2 reentry

Extrasytole

VT/VF (Reentry)



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**RERKÜRREN VT/VF: *ICD ŞOKLARI***

# Regional Substrate Ablation Abolishes Brugada Syndrome

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A 43-year-old man presented with syncope, family history of unexplained sudden death in his 41-year-old father, and unprovoked and consistent electrocardiographic (ECG) features of Brugada syndrome. SCN5A mutation was absent. Two months after the implantation of a defibrillator, he experienced recurrent shocks triggered by frequent episodes of ventricular fibrillation (VF). The ECG recorded between the episodes showed sinus rhythm with unprovoked Brugada pattern in leads V1 and V2 and frequent isolated left bundle branch block morphology ventricular ectopic beats with inferior axis and QRS transition in lead V4. On continuous 12-lead ECG monitoring, the ectopics initiating VF

were observed to resemble the isolated ectopics. The patient consented for the ablation of the ectopics triggering VF.

Due to the absence of clinical ectopics during invasive electrophysiology study, endocardial ablation was performed focally on the septal and the anterolateral right ventricular outflow tract (RVOT) under the guidance of pace mapping. Initial ablation of these foci triggered flurry of non-sustained episodes of VF. Later, ectopics disappeared and ablation was reinforced in a wider area surrounding both foci (total ablation time—56 minutes). This led to the disappearance of Brugada pattern in leads V1–V2, and the ECG normalized. The ECG remained normal during the subsequent hospital stay and at every follow-up visit thereafter. The patient has not experienced any arrhythmia and the ECG has no evidence of Brugada pattern 6.5 years after ablation.

To our knowledge, this is the first clinical report of long-term abolition of ventricular arrhythmias and ECG pattern of Brugada syndrome by the ablation of the RVOT substrate. Arrhythmogenic substrate ablation has a potential to cure and impact the natural course of primary electrical disorders like Brugada syndrome.

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43 y erkek hasta

ICD- 2 ay sonra rekürren VF atakları

RVOT orijinli izole ektopikler-VF

RVOT da ***endokardiyal ablasyon***-işlem sırasında ektopi yok

Pace mapping-Süreksiz VF atakları

Septal-AL duvarda 56 dak ablasyon

İşlem sonunda EKG düzelmış

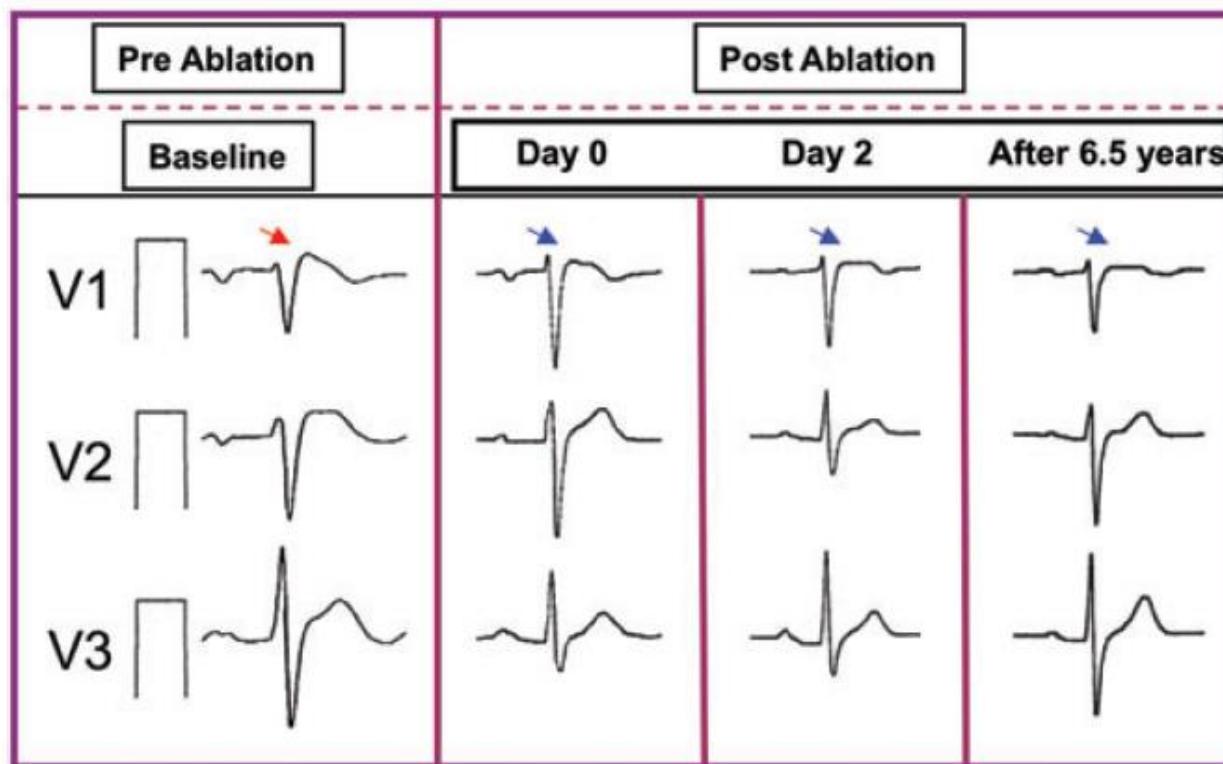
6.5 yıl takip. EKG düzgün-aritmi yok

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## Abolition of Brugada syndrome ECG by Regional Ablation



# Endocardial Mapping and Catheter Ablation for Ventricular Fibrillation Prevention in Brugada Syndrome

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**Endocardial Mapping and Ablation of Brugada Syndrome.** *Introduction:* Brugada syndrome (BS) is characterized by ST-segment elevation in the right precordial electrocardiogram (ECG) leads and episodes of ventricular fibrillation (VF). This study aimed to observe the feasibility of substrate modification by radiofrequency catheter ablation and its effects on VF storm.

*Methods and Results:* Ten BS patients (all men; median age 36.5 years) with VF storm (group I, n = 4) and no VF storm (group II, n = 6) were enrolled in the study between August 2007 and December 2008. All patients underwent electrophysiological study using noncontact mapping. The multielectrode array was placed in the right ventricular outflow tract (RVOT). The isopotential map was analyzed during sinus rhythm and the region that had electrical activity occurring during J point to +60 (J+60) milliseconds interval of the V1 or V2 of surface ECG was considered as the late activation zone (LAZ) and also the substrate for ablation. LAZ was found in RVOT with variable distribution in both groups. Endocardial catheter ablation of the LAZ modified Brugada ECG pattern in 3 of 4 patients (75%) and suppressed VF storm in all 4 patients in group I during long-term follow-up (12–30 months). One patient had complete right bundle branch block from the ablation procedure.

*Conclusions:* LAZ on RVOT identified by noncontact mapping may serve as potential VF substrate in BS patients with VF episodes. Radiofrequency ablation on LAZ normalized ECG, suppressed VF storm, and reduced VF recurrence. The procedure is safe and may prevent VF occurrence. (*J Cardiovasc Electrophysiol*, Vol. 23, pp. S10-S16, November 2012)

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10 hasta, 2 grup (VF firtınası olanlar grup 1, n:4 )

RVOT Multielektrod array

Geç aktivasyon bölgesi (LAZ: V1-V2 deki J noktası+60 ms)

-Bu bölgeler hedef ablasyon bölgesi-

12-30 ay takip, grup 1, 3 hastada EKG modifiye, VF firtınası suprese.

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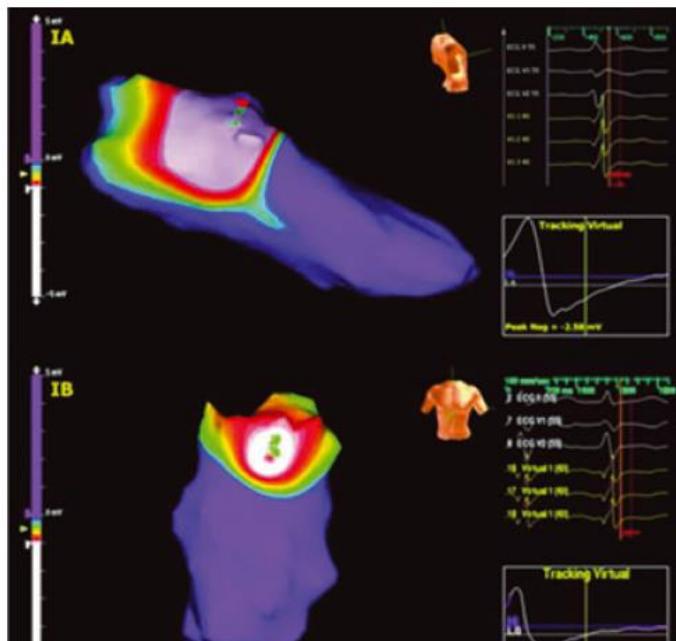


TABLE 3  
Electrocardiographic Pattern, Ventricular Fibrillation (VF), and VF Storm Occurrence Before and After Ablation in Group I

Patient No.	Change of ST Elevation*	No. VF Shocks		No. VF Shocks		No. VF Storms	
		Before	After	1–6 m	7–30 m	Before	After
1	Major	47	24	24	0	6	2
2	Major to CRBBB	23	32	28	4	2	0
3	Minor	15	0	0	0	1	0
4	Major	57	0	0	18†	8	0

CRBBB = complete right bundle branch block; m, months; VF = ventricular fibrillation.

\*Change of ST elevation: major, ST elevation decreased by >60%; minor, ST elevation decreased between 20 and 60%; unchanged, ST elevation decreased by <20%; †7–12 months after ablation.

# Prevention of Ventricular Fibrillation Episodes in Brugada Syndrome by Catheter Ablation Over the Anterior Right Ventricular Outflow Tract Epicardium

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**Background**—The underlying electrophysiological mechanism that causes an abnormal ECG pattern and ventricular tachycardia/ventricular fibrillation (VT/VF) in patients with the Brugada syndrome (BrS) remains unelucidated. However, several studies have indicated that the right ventricular outflow tract (RVOT) is likely to be the site of electrophysiological substrate. We hypothesized that in patients with BrS who have frequent recurrent VF episodes, the substrate site is the RVOT, either over the epicardium or endocardium; abnormal electrograms would be identified at this location, which would serve as the target site for catheter ablation.

**Methods and Results**—We studied 9 symptomatic patients with the BrS (all men; median age 38 years) who had recurrent VF episodes (median 4 episodes) per month, necessitating implantable cardioverter defibrillator discharge. Electroanatomic mapping of the right ventricle, both endocardially and epicardially, and epicardial mapping of the left ventricle were performed in all patients during sinus rhythm. All patients had typical type 1 Brugada ECG pattern and inducible VT/VF; they were found to have unique abnormal low voltage ( $0.94 \pm 0.79$  mV), prolonged duration ( $132 \pm 48$  ms), and fractionated late potentials ( $96 \pm 47$  ms beyond QRS complex) clustering exclusively in the anterior aspect of the RVOT epicardium. Ablation at these sites rendered VT/VF noninducible (7 of 9 patients [78%]; 95% confidence interval, 0.40 to 0.97,  $P=0.015$ ) and normalization of the Brugada ECG pattern in 89% (95% confidence interval, 0.52 to 0.99;  $P=0.008$ ). Long-term outcomes ( $20 \pm 6$  months) were excellent, with no recurrent VT/VF in all patients off medication (except 1 patient on amiodarone).

**Conclusions**—The underlying electrophysiological mechanism in patients with BrS is delayed depolarization over the anterior aspect of the RVOT epicardium. Catheter ablation over this abnormal area results in normalization of the Brugada ECG pattern and prevents VT/VF, both during electrophysiological studies as well as spontaneous recurrent VT/VF episodes in patients with BrS. (*Circulation*. 2011;123:1270-1279.)

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9 hasta, rekürren ICD şokları (VF atakları 4/ay)

Sinüs ritmi sırasında RVOT endo/epi, LV epi haritalması

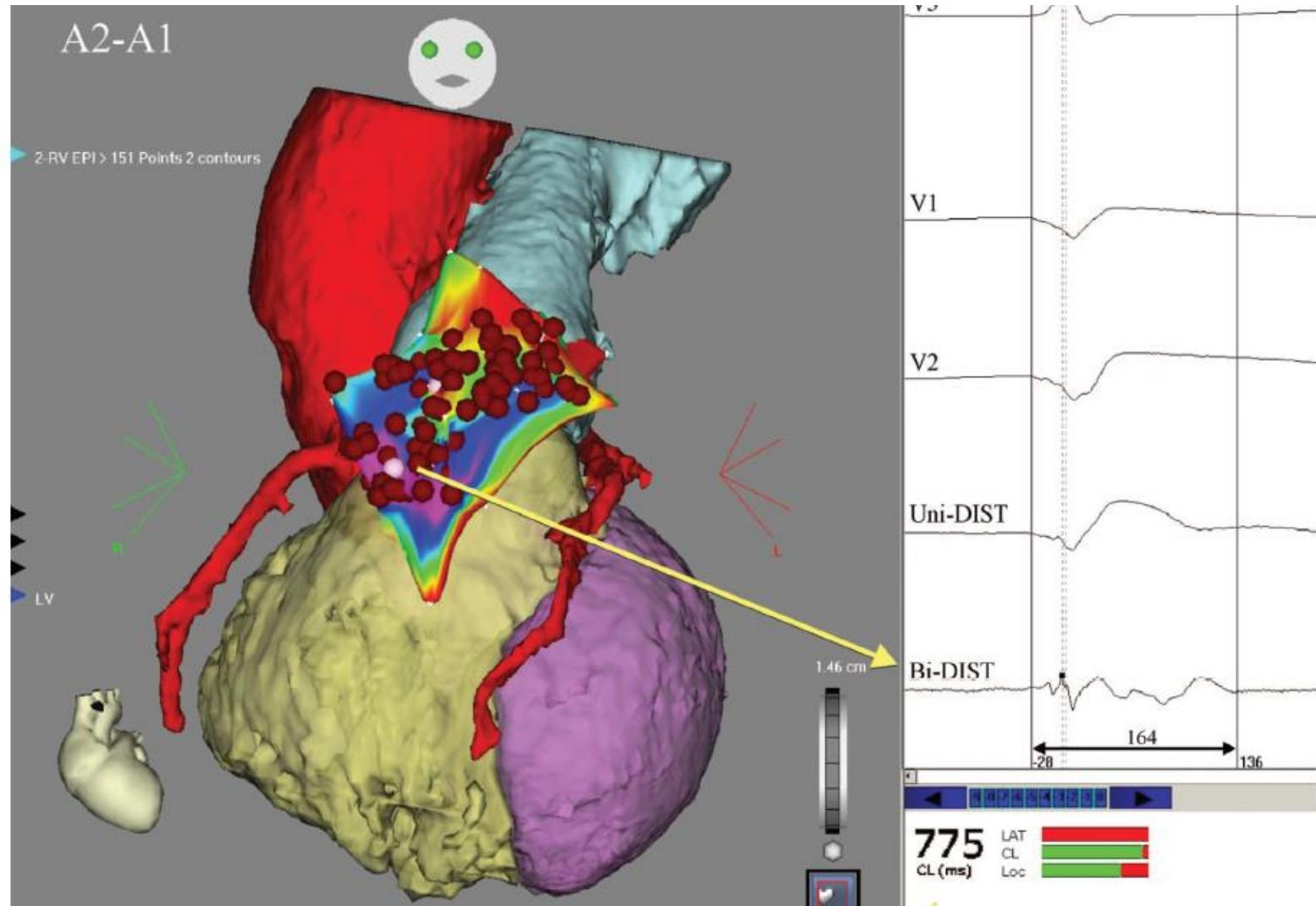
Tüm hastalarda VT/VF inducible

Tüm hastaların ***RVOT ant. epikardında*** düşük voltaj ( $0.94 \pm 0.79$  mv), uzun süreli ( $132 \pm 48$  ms), fraksiyone geç potansiyeller (QRS den  $96 \pm 47$  ms sonra)

Ablasyon: %78 VT-VF non-inducible, %89 EKG normal

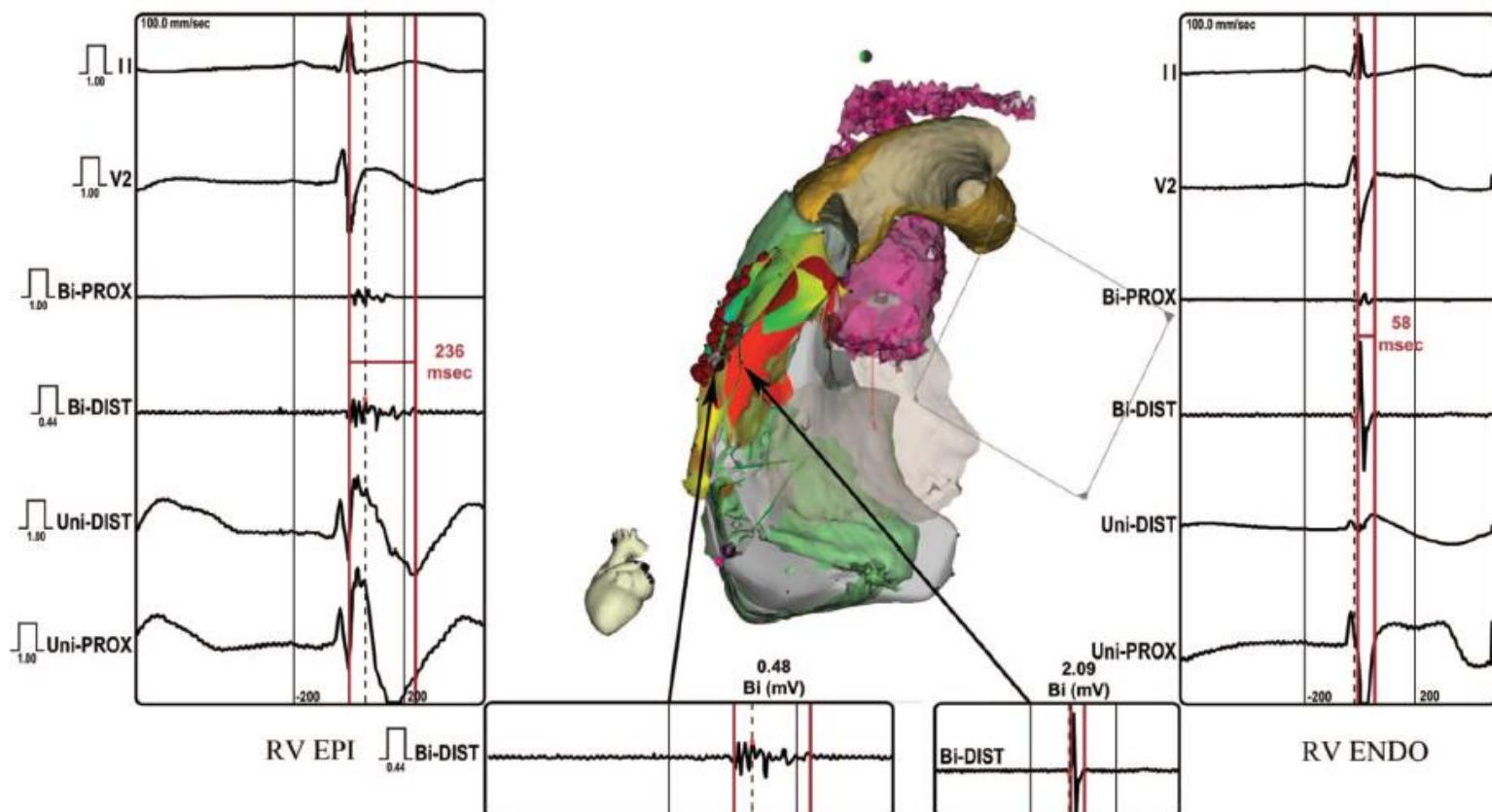
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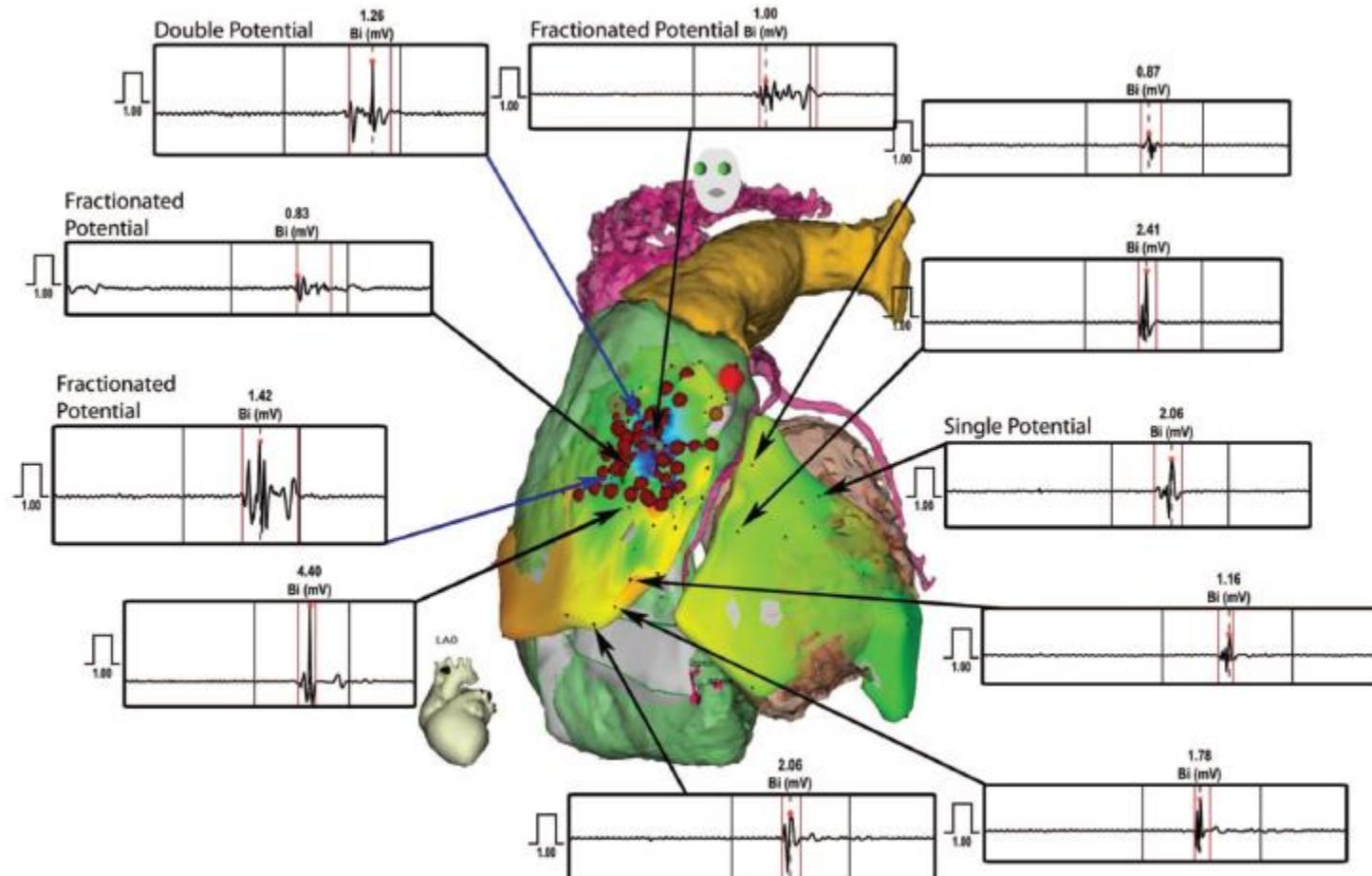
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**Figure 4.** Left lateral view of the right ventricular outflow tract (RVOT) displays the difference in ventricular electrograms between the endocardial (ENDO) and epicardial (EPI) site of the anterior RVOT of the same patient (patient 4) as Figure 2. The left and right insets display bipolar and unipolar electrograms recorded from the epicardium and endocardium from the same site of the RVOT, respectively. Bi-DIST indicates bipolar distal; Bi-PROX, bipolar proximal; Uni-DIST, unipolar distal; and Uni-PROX, unipolar proximal.

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**Figure 5.** Comparison of ventricular electrograms recorded from different sites in both the left ventricle (LV) and right ventricle (RV) of the same patient as Figures 3 and 4 (patient 4).

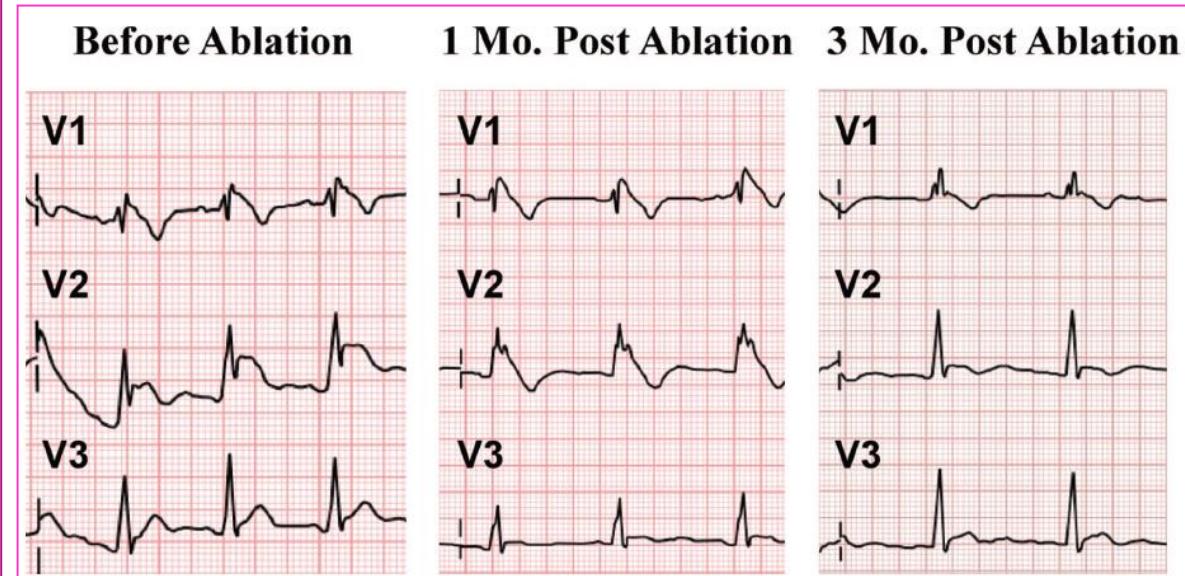
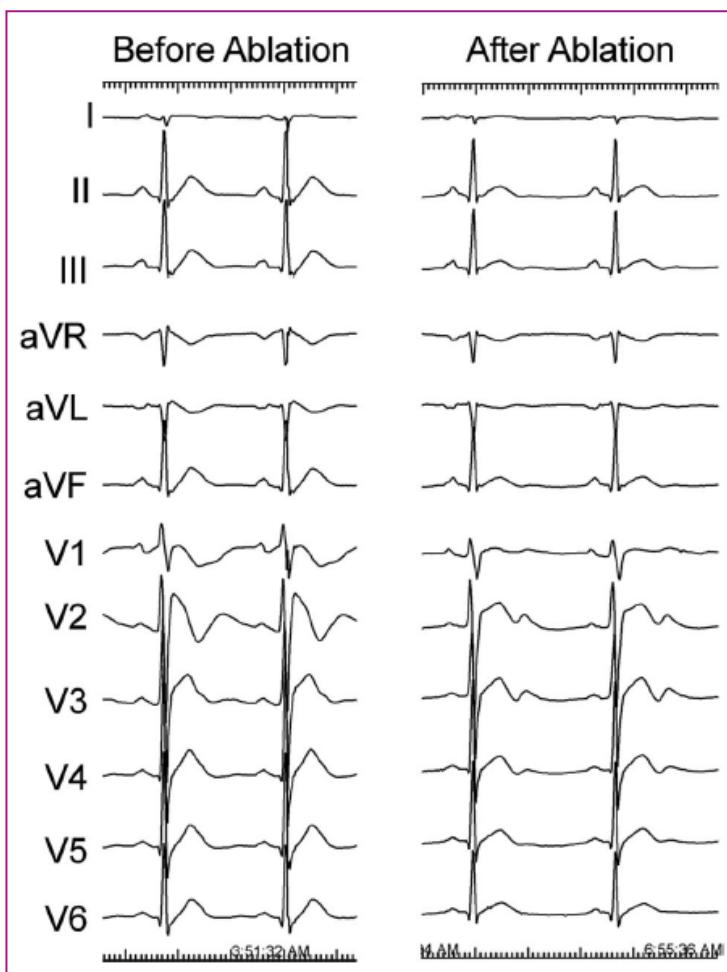


Figure 8. A delayed effect of epicardial ablation on the ECG pattern. The ECG pattern of patient 7 took 3 months to normalize.

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# Brugada sendromu-AF

- Genel populasyondan daha sık görülür (%20 ye karşın %2.3 ) [Muggenthaler,M.Europace 2011](#)
- AF'nu olan BrS hastalarında
  - Senkop (%60 vs %22)
  - VF daha sık (%40 vs %14) [Kusano KF, JACC 2008](#)
  - Uygunuz ICD şokları
  - Ritm kontrolünde kullanılan pek çok ilaç kontraendike

# Pulmonary vein isolation in patients with Brugada syndrome and atrial fibrillation: a 2-year follow-up

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## Aims

Pharmacological treatment of atrial fibrillation (AF) in the setting of Brugada syndrome (BS) might be challenging as many antiarrhythmic drugs (AADs) with sodium channel blocking properties might expose the patients to the development of ventricular arrhythmias. Moreover, patients with BS and implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD) might experience inappropriate shocks because of AF with rapid ventricular response. The role of pulmonary vein isolation (PVI) in patients with BS and recurrent episodes of AF has not been established yet. In this study, we analysed the outcome of PVI using radiofrequency energy or cryoballoon (CB) ablation at 2 years follow-up.

## Methods and results

Consecutive patients with BS having undergone PVI for drug-resistant paroxysmal AF were eligible for this study. Nine patients (three males; mean age:  $52 \pm 26$  years) were included. Six patients (67%) had an ICD implanted of whom three had inappropriate shocks because of rapid AF. At a mean  $22.1 \pm 6.4$  months follow-up, six patients (67%) were free of AF without AADs. None of the three patients who had experienced inappropriate ICD interventions for AF had further ICD shocks after ablation.

## Conclusion

In our study PVI can be an effective and safe procedure to treat patients with BS and recurrent episodes of paroxysmal AF.

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**Table I** Clinical characteristics of study population  
(n = 9)

Age (years)	52 ± 26
Male (n)	3 (33%)
Family history of SCD (n)	2 (22%)
Previous SCA	1 (11%)
History of syncope	4 (44%)
Spontaneous type 1 pattern ECG	3 (33%)
Previous ICD implantation	6 (67%)
Inappropriate ICD interventions	3 (33%)
LVEF (%)	58 ± 7
LA diameter (mm)	40 ± 5
Previous ineffective AADs	1.2 ± 0.7

Among the study population, four patients (44%) underwent a procedure using RF energy, the remaining patients received a CB ablation. No ST-segment elevation was observed during PVI in any of the patients.

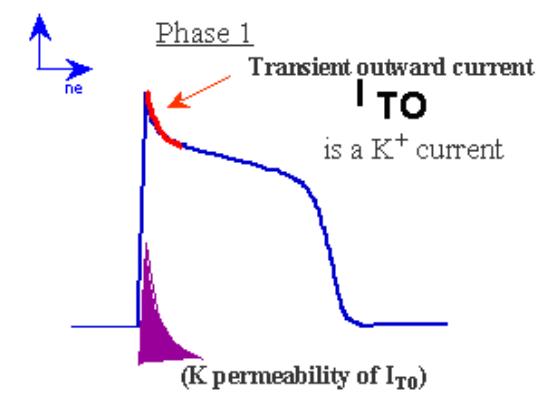
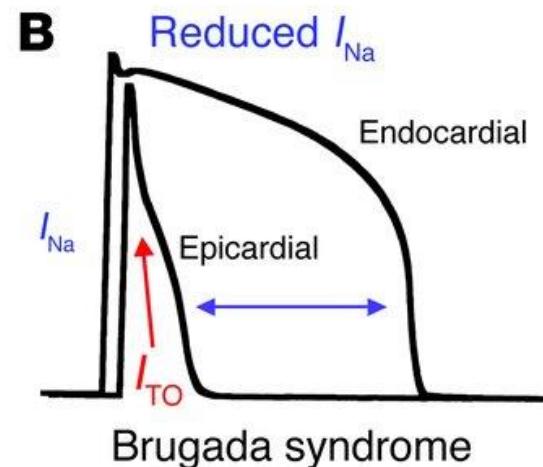
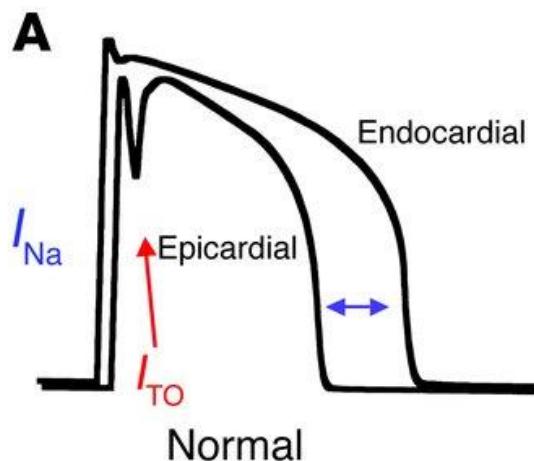
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  - Kinidin, Isoproterenol: VF firtınası
  - Posfodiesteraz inhibitörleri: cAMP  $\uparrow$  ICa  $\uparrow$   
(Isoproterenol'e benzer)
    - Cilostazol
    - Milrinone
  - Bepridil

# Cilostazol



- Brugada sendromunda  $\downarrow$  INa, ICa  $\uparrow$  K (Ito)
- PDE III inh, antiplatelet, vazodilatör
- $\uparrow$  Ca,  $\downarrow$  Ito, Epikardiyal AP düzeliyor, VT suprese



## Prevention of Ventricular Fibrillation by Cilostazol, an Oral Phosphodiesterase Inhibitor, in a Patient with Brugada Syndrome

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**Cilostazol and Brugada Syndrome.** We report the case of 67-year-old man with Brugada syndrome, in whom daily episodes of ventricular fibrillation (VF) occurred every early morning for 4 days. The episodes of VF were completely prevented by an oral administration of cilostazol, a phosphodiesterase inhibitor. This effect was confirmed by the on-and-off challenge test, in which discontinuation of the drug resulted in recurrence of VF and resumption of the drug again prevented VF. This effect may be related to the suppression of  $I_{to}$  secondary to the increase in heart rate and/or to an increase in  $Ca^{2+}$  current ( $I_{Ca}$ ) due to an elevation of intracellular cyclic AMP concentration via inhibition of phosphodiesterase activity. This drug might have an anti-VF potential in patients with Brugada syndrome. (*J Cardiovasc Electrophysiol*, Vol. 13, pp. 698-701, July 2002)

## Conversion of Brugada type I to type III and successful control of recurrent ventricular arrhythmia with cilostazol

Évolution d'un syndrome de Brugada de type I à un type III et succès du traitement des arythmies ventriculaires récurrentes avec le cilostazol



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# Combination therapy of cilostazol and bepridil suppresses recurrent ventricular fibrillation related to J-wave syndromes



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**BACKGROUND** Brugada syndrome and idiopathic ventricular fibrillation (VF) associated with inferolateral early repolarization patterns are termed “J-wave syndromes.” In such patients, an implantable cardioverter-defibrillator (ICD) is first-line therapy for prevention of sudden cardiac death. However, frequent ICD shocks due to recurrent VF remain serious problems.

**OBJECTIVE** The purpose of this study was to ascertain if combination therapy of cilostazol and bepridil could suppress recurrent VF.

**METHODS** We enrolled 7 patients with J-wave syndromes who experienced ICD shocks due to recurrent VF after ICD implantation. At first, cilostazol was instituted. In all subjects, palpitations due to sinus tachycardia caused by cilostazol were symptomatic. Addition of bepridil attenuated cilostazol-induced palpitations and maintained the suppressive effect of cilostazol against VF ( $87 \pm 12$  bpm to  $66 \pm 7$  bpm,  $P < .01$ ).

**RESULTS** Six patients remained free of VF. Three patients underwent replacement of the ICD generator 4–5 years after ICD

placement. Cilostazol was discontinued 2 days before replacement because of its antiplatelet effects. In all 3 patients, temporary discontinuation of cilostazol led to the reappearance of J waves, culminating in VF and an appropriate ICD shock in 1 patient. J waves disappeared with reinstitution of cilostazol.

**CONCLUSION** These data suggest that combination therapy of cilostazol and bepridil may be effective and safe in suppressing VF recurrence in some cases of J-wave syndromes.

**KEYWORDS** J-wave syndrome; Bepridil; Cilostazol; Ventricular fibrillation

**ABBREVIATIONS** BrS = Brugada syndrome; cAMP = cyclic adenosine monophosphate; ECG = electrocardiography; ERS = early repolarization syndrome; ICD = implantable cardioverter-defibrillator;  $I_{Ca}$  = inward calcium current;  $I_{to}$  = transient outward current; VF = ventricular fibrillation

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7 hasta alınmış; 5 hasta BrS

Rekürren VF nedeni ile ICD şokları

Cilostazol başlanmış (200 mg/gün, J dalgası devam ederse 300 mg/gün)

Tüm hastalarda semptomatik sinüs taşikardisi:

Bepridil (KKB, Ito blokeri) eklenmiş

Takipte 6 hastada VF yok

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# Combination therapy of cilostazol and bepridil suppresses recurrent ventricular fibrillation related to J-wave syndromes



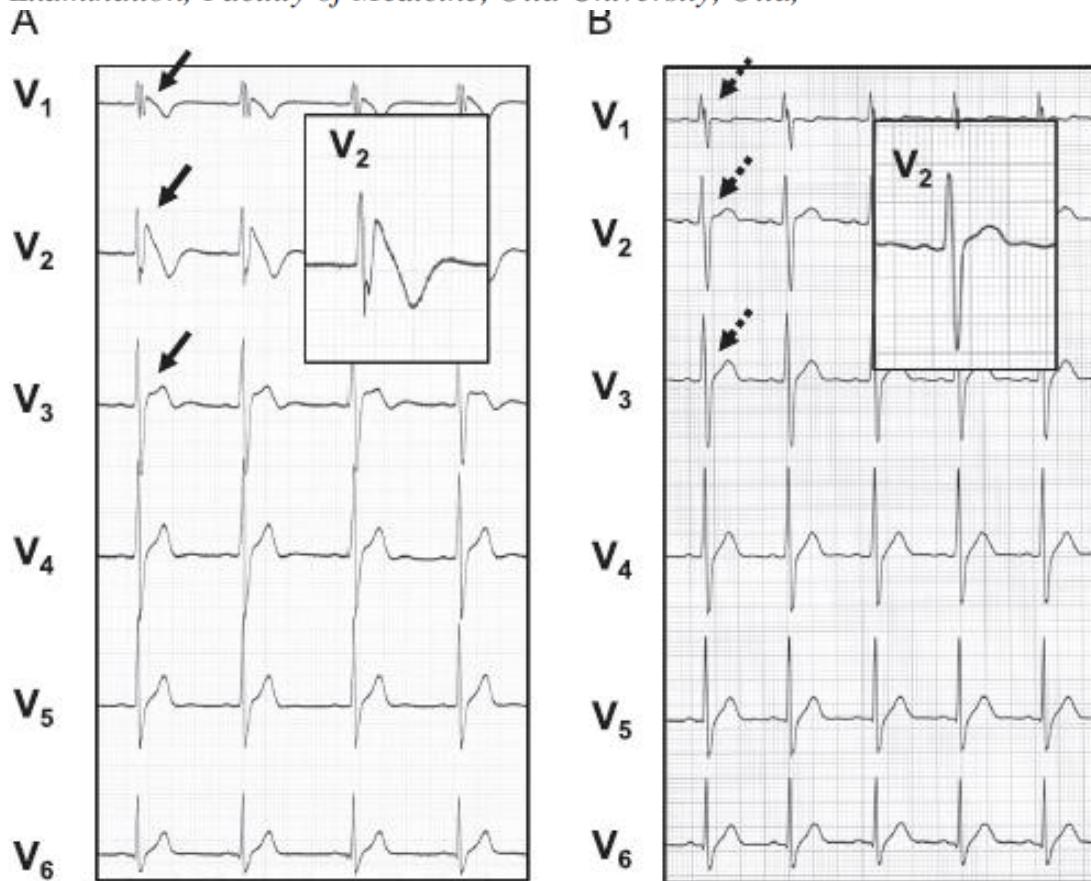
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Table 1 Clinical characteristics of the study patients

Case	Age	Diagnosis	ICD generator replacement	VF app during
1	35	BrS	Y	N
2	35	BrS	Y	N
3	39	BrS	N	N
4	44	BrS	N	N
5	37	BrS	N	N
6	39	ERS	Y	Y
7	21	ERS	N	N

BrS = Brugada syndrome; CTCB = combination therapy of defibrillator; N = no; VF = ventricular fibrillation; Y = yes.





# Efficacy and safety of bepridil for prevention of ICD shocks in patients with Brugada syndrome and idiopathic ventricular fibrillation

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**Table 1**  
Clinical characteristics of the patients

Case	Age	Sex	Dx
1	46	M	IVF
2	57	M	IVF
3	60	M	BrS
4	76	F	BrS
5	39	M	BrS
6	55	M	BrS

ICD shocks before bepridil	ICD shocks after bepridil	Dose of bepridil	Follow-up period (year)
12	0	200 mg	1.3
1–2/year	2	200 mg	11.6
13	2 → 0†	150 → 200 mg†	8.4
1†	0	100 mg	2.2
5	0§	100 mg	0.5
1	0	100 mg	0.3

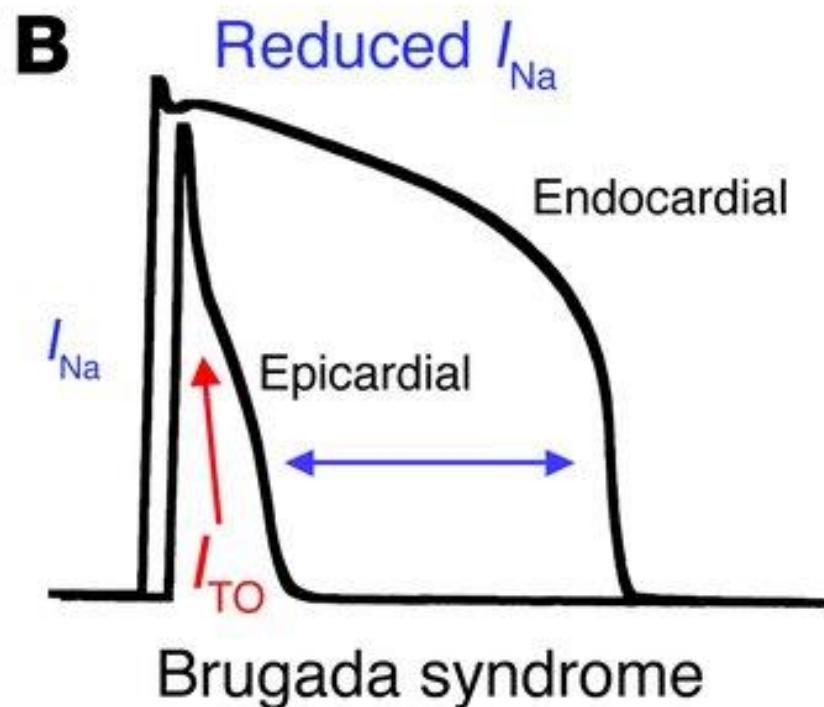
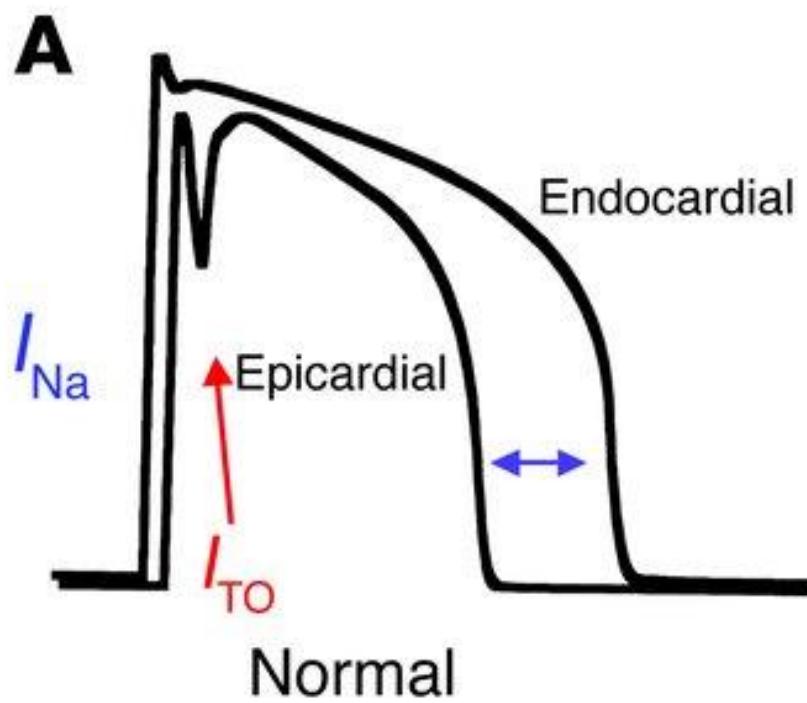
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**Table 2. Genes with mutations associated with the Brugada syndrome and their relative prevalence.**

BrS type	Locus	Gene	Protein	Channel	% of probands
1	3p21	SCN5A	Na <sub>v</sub> 1.5	↓ I <sub>Na</sub>	11–28
5	19q13.1	SCN1B	Na <sub>v</sub> β1	↓ I <sub>Na</sub>	<1
7	11q23.3	SCN3B	Na <sub>v</sub> β3	↓ I <sub>Na</sub>	<1
2	3p24	GPD1L	GPD1L	↓ I <sub>Na</sub>	<1
11	17p13.1	MOG1	MOG1	↓ I <sub>Na</sub>	<1
3	12p13.3	CACNA1C	Ca <sub>v</sub> 1.2	↓ I <sub>Ca</sub>	8–12
4	10p12.33	CACNB2B	Ca <sub>v</sub> β2b	↓ I <sub>Ca</sub>	8–12
9	7q21.11	CACNA2D1	Ca <sub>v</sub> α2δ	↓ I <sub>Ca</sub>	8–12
6	11q13-14	KCNE3	MiRP2	↑ I <sub>to</sub>	<1
10	1p13.2	KCND3	K <sub>v</sub> 4.3	↑ I <sub>to</sub>	<1
8	12p11.23	KCNJ8	Kir6.1	↑ I <sub>K-ATP</sub>	<1

BrS: Brugada syndrome.

- There are two theories to explain the electrocardiographic manifestations of BS: (1) delayed conduction in the free wall epicardium of the right ventricular outflow tract; (2) premature repolarization of the right ventricular epicardial action potential; or a combination of the two.



- Brugada sendromunda   $I_{Na}$ ,  $I_{Ca}$    $K$  ( $I_{to}$ )

