

# Value on Surface Electrocardiogram for the Right Free Wall in Localizing Accessory Pathway by Simple Parameters in Typical Wolff-Parkinson-White Syndrome



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## Abstract

**Objectives:** This study was designed to characteristics of surface 12-lead Electrocardiogram (ECG) for the right free wall lateral of accessory pathway (AP) localization in the typical WPW syndrome to develop a new algorithm ECG for the right free wall in localizing APs, and to test the accuracy of the algorithm prospectively. **Methods:** We studied 90 patients, in 40 patients with typical WPW syndrome have a single anterogradely with the localization of right free wall APs identified by successful radiofrequency catheter ablation (RCFA) to develop a new ECG algorithm for the right free wall in localizing APs. Then this algorithm was tested prospectively in 50 patients were compared with the location of AP's successful ablation by RCFA. **Results:** We found that the 12 lead ECG parameters in typical WPW syndrome such as delta wave polarity in V1, the transition of the QRS complex, delta wave polarity and QRS complex polarity in inferior leads in diagnosis for the localization of APs by with high accuracy predicted from 80% to 100%, and for development of a new ECG algorithm. The following 50 patients were then prospectively evaluated by the new derived algorithm with high sensitivity and specificity from 91.3% to 100%, with strongly relationship between ECG and AP localization ( $p < 0.0001$ ). **Conclusion:** 12-lead ECG parameters in typical WPW syndrome closely related to right free wall of APs localization, in order to develop the new ECG algorithm by simple parameters as above; and can be used to a new ECG parameter in predicted the location APs with high accuracy predicted.

**Keywords:** Surface ECG; Right free wall; Accessory pathway Localization; WPW syndrome

**Abbreviations:** ECG: Electrocardiogram; AP: Accessory Pathway; RCFA: Radiofrequency Catheter Ablation; RA: Right Anterolateral; TA: Tricuspid Annulus; MA: Mitral Annulus; HIS: His Bundle; CS: Coronary Sinus; RIP: Right Inferior Paraseptal

## Introduction

Wolff-Parkinson-White syndrome (WPW) caused by ventricular pre-excitation via an accessory pathways (APs) that bypass the atrioventricular (AV) node, establishing a direct link between the atrium and the ventricle (called Kent Bundle); Conduction may be anterograde, retrograde, or both. The 12-lead ECG is characterized by a shortened PR, prolonged QRS, with Delta wave [1,2].

Arrhythmias are most common in WPW syndrome patients. Nowadays, Radio Frequency Catheter Ablation (RCFA) of Accessory Pathway (AP) requires precise localization of the AP along the mitral and tricuspid annulus (gold standard) [2]. 12-lead ECG is the first step for localization of AP in patients with WPW syndrome, still now. While incremental improvements in

skills of doctors as well as catheter design or mapping systems will undoubtedly facilitate ablative procedures, the data Obtained from the ECG parameters can be helpful in planning and shortening the RCFA procedure and fluoroscopy time [2].

Furthermore, according to many studies, the right free wall (the side of the tricuspid valve circle, except the septal location) is rather difficult in catheter ablation procedures by RF. Localizing accessory pathways for the right free wall as includes right anterolateral, right lateral, right posterolateral pathways can help the quickly of approach to a accessory pathway location to facilitate mapping and shorten time radiofrequency ablation [1-5].

Some ECG algorithms based have been published predicting locations of right free wall accessory pathways [6-9]. However, many studies showed that difficult to compared in different between other locations in the side of tricuspid valve circle [10-13]. Therefore, the purpose of this study was to analyse the 12-lead ECG of right lateral free wall accessory pathway localization's successful RCFA to develop new ECG algorithm using simple parameters and test this algorithm to predict accessory pathway location.

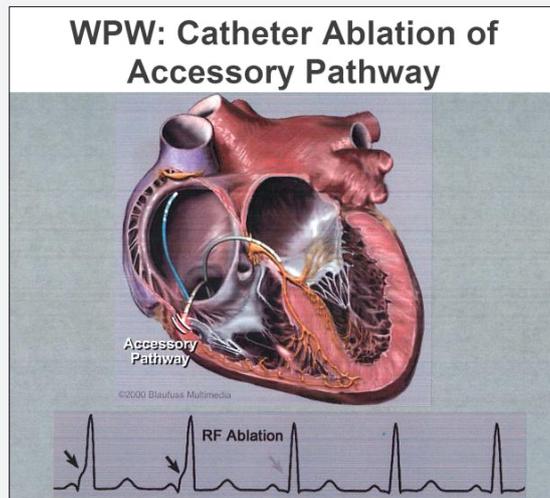
**Subject and Methods**

**Study design**

Observational, cross-sectional, retrospective and prospective study.

**Study contents**

We studied 90 patients with typical WPW syndrome have a single right free wall of accessory pathway from January 2001 to November 2017 at Vietnam Heart Institute, Bachmai Hospital. 40 patients with typical WPW syndrome who had a single anterograde right free wall of AP identified by successful radio frequency catheter ablation were enrolled to build a new ECG algorithm for localizing right free wall APs using simple parameters from January 2001 to June 2016. Then this algorithm was tested prospectively in 50 patients were comparing with the location of right free wall of accessory pathway's successful ablation by RF from June 2016 to November 2017.



**Figure 1:** Schema showing use of catheter technique for ablation of a right free wall accessory pathway: The rhythm strip shows disappearance of the delta wave with application of radiofrequency energy [1].

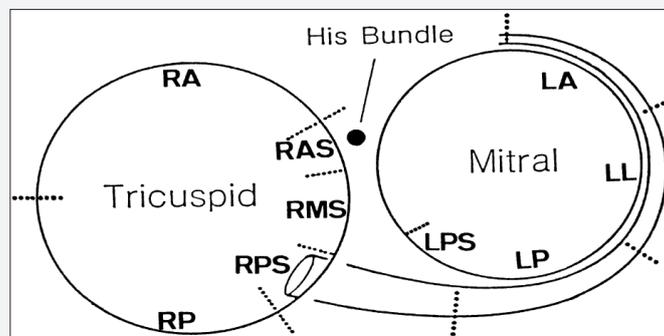
WPW syndrome was defined as the 12-lead ECG is characterized by a shortened PR interval < 120 milliseconds, prolonged QRS duration ≥ 110 milliseconds, with a delta wave (small slurred upstroke at the beginning of the QRS). Secondary ST and T wave changes which are directed opposite to the major Delta wave and QRS vector [1]. Localization of accessory pathways was identified by successfully ablated by RCFA (gold standard) [2] (Figure 1).

**Statistical Analysis**

Using IBM SPSS 21.0 software for analyzing data [14,15].

**Results**

The study population consists of 90 patients, 42 men (46.7%) and 48 female (53.3%), mean age 37.7 ± 13.5 years (from 18 to 75 years of age) (Figure 2).



**Figure 2:** Anatomic definition of accessory pathway location. A schematic diagram of the heart from the left anterior oblique projection shows the relation among the tricuspid annulus (TA), mitral annulus (MA), His bundle (HIS), coronary sinus (CS), and the anatomic locations of the accessory pathways. Accessory pathway locations are divided into 10 main regions, LA: left anterior lateral; LL: left lateral; LP: left posterolateral; LPS: left posteroseptal; MS: midseptal; RPS: right posteroseptal; RA: right anterolateral; RAS: right anteroseptal; RL: right lateral; RP: right posterolateral.

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The study of “the Fist group” consists of 40 patients (Group I), 20 men (50%) and 20 females (50%), mean age 39.0 ± 14.0 years [18: 75 years]. The Right free wall of accessory pathways was found in 40 patients with 9/40 patients had right anterolateral (22.5%), 10/40 patient had right lateral (25%), and 21/40 patients had right posterolateral (52.5%).

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**Characterization of the QRS complex transition on 12-lead ECG with right free wall location:** Classified transition of right free wall location was most common at after V1, V2 lead (V3-V6) found in 36 of 40 patients with right free wall pathways (90%).

**Characterization of delta wave polarity in V1 lead with right free wall location:** Right free wall pathways had negative

delta wave was most common at V1 lead found in 32 of 40 patients (80%).

Beside, Right free wall pathways had negative delta wave was most common at V1 lead found in 40 of 40 patients (100%).

**Characterization of delta wave polarity and QRS complex polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead with other positions of right free wall location:** RAL pathways had positive delta wave was most common in at least 2/3 inferior lead (DII, DIII, AVF) found in 9 of 9 patients (100%); while RPL pathways had negative delta wave was most common in at least 2/3 inferior lead found in 20 of 21 patients (95.2%). Beside, RL pathways had negative delta wave was most common in at least 2/3 inferior lead found in 9 of 10 patients (90%). Thus, both in includes RL/RPL pathways had negative delta wave was most common in at least 2/3 inferior lead found in 29 of 31 patients (93.5%), while only RAL pathways had positive delta wave was most common in at least 2/3 inferior lead (100%) as above.

Classified QRS complex polarity of inferior lead (DII, DIII, aVF) for the RL pathways and RPL pathways: RL region was most common with positive QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead was found in 9 of 10 patients (90%). While, RPL region was most common with negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead was found in 20 of 21 patients (95.2%) (Table 1).

**Table 1:** Characterization of delta wave in V1 lead, QRS complex transition at after V1V2 (V3-V6), delta

Characterization Right free wall	(+/-) Delta wave in V1	QRS complex transition at V1V2/or after V2	(+/-) Delta wave/QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead	
			(+/-) Delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead	(+/-) QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead
Right anterolateral	( - )	After V1V2	( + )	( + )
Right lateral	( - )	After V1V2	( - )	( + )
Right Posterolateral	( - )	After V1V2	( - )	( - )

wave/QRS complex polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead.

**Note:** (+): positive delta wave/QRS complex polarity; (-): negative delta wave/QRS polarity.

**Accuracy of new ECG algorithm for the right free wall in localizing accessory pathway**

The study of the second group consists of 50 patients (Group II), 22 men (44.0%) and 28 female (56.0%), mean age 36.7 ± 13.1 years [19: 69]. Right free wall pathways was found in 50 patients with 14 of 50 patients had RAL region (28.0%), 13 of 50 patients had RL region (26.0%), 23 of 50 patients had RPL region (46.0%).

**Localization of free wall lateral locations accessory pathways group by transition characteristics of the QRS complex on 12-lead ECG:** Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in right free wall location by QRS complex transition was most common at after V1V2 lead (V3-V6) found in 47 of 50 patients (94.0%), giving a sensitivity of 94.0% (Table 2).

**Table 2:** Characterization of QRS complex transition in at least 2/3 inferior lead (DII, DIII, aVF).

Location QRS transition position	Right antero lateral (n)		Right lateral (n)		Right postero lateral (n)		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	N	%
QRS Transition in V1V2 (before V3)	0	0	0	0.0	3	13.0	3	6.0%
QRS Transition after V1V2 (V3-V6)	14	100	13	100.0	20	87.0	47	94.0%
<b>Total (n)</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>13</b>		<b>23</b>		<b>50</b>	

**Localization of right accessory pathway pathways by delta wave polarity in V1 lead:** Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in right free wall pathways belong to right side location by negative delta wave in V1 lead found in 49 of 50 patients (98.0%), giving a sensitivity of 98.0%. Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in right free wall pathways belong to right side location by negative QRS complex in V1 lead found in 50 of 50 patients (98.0%), giving a sensitivity of 100.0%.

**Localization of other position of right free wall pathways (RAL, RL, RPL):** Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in group of RAL pathways or RPL pathways by positive/negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead were 14 of 14 (100%) and 23 of 23 (100%), giving a sensitivity of 100%, specificity of 100%, PPV of 100% and NPV of 100% ( $R = 1.0$ ,  $P < 0.0001$ ). Muhammad showed that the Antero or postero accessory pathways by positive/negative delta waves in common at inferior lead had Se and Sp from 85-100% [9].

Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in RAL region or includes RL/RPL region by positive or negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead were 14 of 14 (100%) and 35 of 36 (97.2%), giving a sensitivity of 100%, specificity of 97.2%, PPV of 93.3% and NPV of 100% with  $R = 0.953$  ( $p = 0.0001$ ).

Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in group of RAL pathways or RPL pathways by positive/negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead were 14 of 14 (100%) and 21 of 23 (91.3%), giving a sensitivity of 100%, specificity of 91.3%, PPV of 87.5% and NPV of 100% ( $R = 0.894$ ,  $P < 0.0001$ ).

Different between the includes RAL/RL region with RPL region by positive or negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead with high accuracy, giving a sensitivity of 96.3%, specificity of 91.3%, PPV of 92.9% and NPV of 95.5%, with  $R = 0.824$  ( $p = 0.0001$ ). Furthermore, different between the RL region and RPL region by positive or negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead with high accuracy, giving a sensitivity of 92.3%, specificity of 91.3%, PPV of 85.7% and NPV of 95.5%, with  $R = 0.824$  ( $p = 0.0001$ ).

Patients ( $n = 50$ ) with right free wall accessory pathways required less procedure time for ablation was  $50.2 \pm 11.5$  minutes [30:70], ablation time was  $426.9 \pm 225.1$  ms [231:1088] and less fluoroscopy time was  $6.9 \pm 3.0$  minutes [3:15].

## Discussion

### Characterization

**Transition characteristics of the QRS complex on 12-lead ECG with right free wall location:** Classified transition of right free wall location was most common at after V1V2 (V3-V6) lead are noted (90%); while only 10% patients had QRS complex transition at V1V2 lead. This is a characteristic can be different between the free wall lateral and septal location. Some studies were showed that QRS complex transition can be used to predicting locations of septal or free wall accessory pathway but almost these studies focus on some position of right free wall or

right septal [1,6,7]. Muhammad [9] showed that right free wall location had transition was most common at after V3 lead. Thus, we can predict right free wall belong to free wall location by QRS transition in the after V1V2 lead [9].

**Characterization of delta wave polarity in V1 lead with right free wall:** Right free wall had negative delta wave was most common at V1 lead (80%); This is very useful in selecting the approach of the catheter is the vein or artery. Right-side AP were ablated with retrograde vein approach (while left-sided AP were ablated with the use of transvenous atrial approach through the femoral artery) [2].

Although characterization of the negative QRS complex in the right free wall lateral pathways is very high, we think that it would be difficult to determine the right free wall lateral pathways by negative QRS complex, because in fact in reality the following the left free wall lateral pathways as well as the left septal side are very common with the negative QRS complex ( $R/S$  ratio  $< 1$ ) which the negative QRS characterization; while the delta wave are more distinguishable between right or left side [12,13]. Thus, we used to the negative delta wave in lead V1 for the predicting to the right side.

Some ECG algorithms have been published predicting locations of left-sided or right-sided accessory pathway by positive or negative delta wave [1,2]. However, some other studies showed that diagnosis left or right-side accessory pathway by other ECG parameters such as D'Avila was used to positive or negative QRS complex in V1 can be diagnosis left or right-side APs [6]. Chern-En Chiang showed that  $R/S$  ratio  $< 1$ , suggested that was in the right-side APs [7]. Mauricio S. Arruda (1998) also found that  $R/S > 1$  in V1 lead was the left free location and  $R/S < 1$  in V1 lead was the right side [8]. Muhammad [9] also used a  $R/S$  ratio  $< 1$  in a VL lead to predict left side [9]. Noriko was used to  $R/S$  ratio  $< 0.5$  or  $R/S > 0.5$  in V1 lead can be predicting right or left-side AP [13]. We were not used to the  $R/S$  ratio at a VL lead as well as  $R/S$  ratio (or QRS) in V1 lead for the suggest a right free wall of left side pathway.

**Characterization of delta wave polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead (DII, DIII, AVF) with right anterolateral or right posterolateral:** On the electrical side, the anterior pathway is the front will induce a depolarization of the part of the frontal muscle and then the pulse gradually spreads to the rear, towards the inferior zone causing the positive delta wave and vice versa. The posterior pathway will previous depolarization of the part of the posterior and lower muscle have impulses from the rear and right down to across the Kent bridge and then the pulse towards as well as spread gradually to the left and front zone, creating negative delta wave at the previous QRS complex in inferior lead.

The results showed that build to a group of "right anterolateral pathways" had positive delta wave was most common at least 2/3 inferior lead are noted (95.8%), and group of "includes right lateral and right posterolateral pathways" had negative delta wave was most common at least 2/3 inferior lead as above with high accuracy (93.5%), beside results showed that very difficult

in localizing between two position were right lateral and right posterolateral APs, can be explained by the two locations have similar in electrophysiological side.

According to the statistics as above, the right lateral and right posterolateral pathways are often found in the negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead.

This suggests that only based on these parameters will predict with very high accuracy for the right anterolateral and right posterolateral pathways, but it is difficult to predicting the discrimination of the right lateral and right posterolateral, because these two regions (RL and RPL region) have the same characteristic of negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead.

We performed the characteristic of QRS complex polarity at least 2/3 inferior lead in these two regions. Result showed that the right lateral position was most common with positive QRS complex at least 2/3 inferior lead (90%); While, the right lateral was most common with negative QRS complex at least 2/3 inferior

lead (95.2%). Thus, this parameter (QRS complex polarity) helped to suggesting that the right lateral or right posterolateral pathways.

On the electrical side, the RL/RPL pathways is lower anastomose on the right lower heart is due to pathways will previous depolarization of the part of the lower muscle as inferior zone causing the negative delta wave in inferior lead. The difference in value on the QRS complex in the inferior lead for the RL and RPL is due to RL pathways will previous depolarization of the part of the lower muscle and then the pulse propagated through the ventricular wall to the his bundle causing about face vector to make the image of Q wave counterfeit, so the RL pathways will be a previous negative delta waveform while the positive QRS complex. The RPL pathways is depolarization pass through the front kent bridge to the downstroke, make to a false QS image, so that the RPL region had both in negative QRS complex and negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead [15].

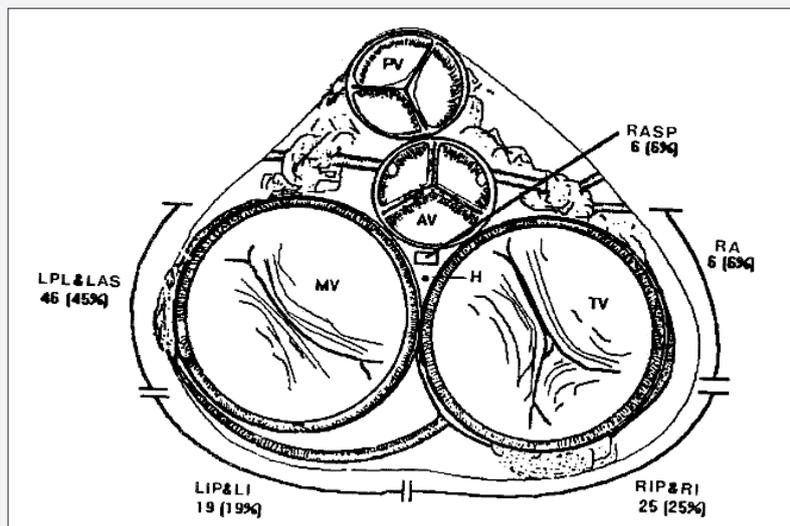


Figure 3: Cross-sectional diagram of the heart at the level of the atrioventricular ring. RA: Right anterior, RIP: Right inferior paraseptal, RI: Right inferior [12].

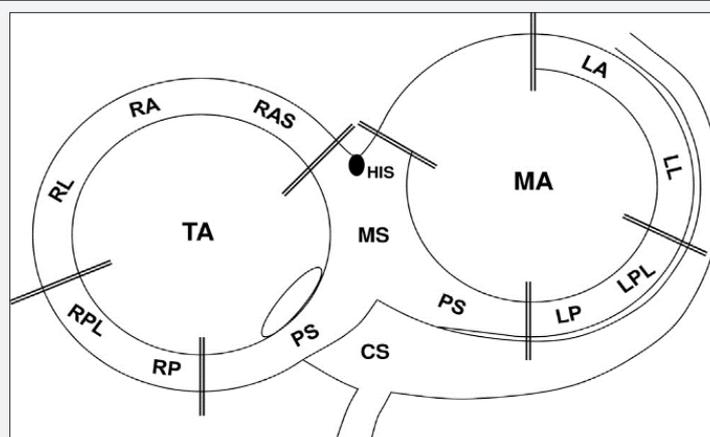


Figure 4: Anatomic definition of accessory pathway location RA: Right anterior, RL: Right lateral, RPL: Right posterolateral, RP: Right posterior [13].

Many studies showed that difficulty in localizing between other positions of right free wall pathways. Andre D' Avila showed that right posteroseptal (RPS) had positive QRS complex in DIII lead, but not-yet localizing between two location as above [6]. Many studies not-yet localizing between other right free wall as Pedro was used to characteristic of QRS polarity in DII, V1 and V2 lead, can be add to positions (RIP, RI) by one location; Pedro Iturralde selected two locations of right free wall were right anterolateral (RA) and group of "includes RIP & RI pathways" (Figure 3) [12]. Noriko was used to R/S in V1, V2, aVF, and inferior lead can localizing right antero-septal- anterolateral and right lateral (RAS, RA, RL) defined by one location with characteristic were R/S ratio < 0.5 in V1 and V2 lead, R/S ratio < 1 in aVF lead; Noriko Taguchi selected two locations were "includes RA & RL pathways" and "includes RPL & RP pathways" (Figure 3 & 4) [13].

Thus, We have been predicted "right anterolateral" or "includes right lateral and right posterolateral pathway" by positive/negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior, different between right lateral and right posterolateral location by positive or negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead; which can

help the doctors to perform a rapid onset of accessory pathway location on the tricuspid valve forwards or backwards, or within 1-2 cm of the valve; help to facilitate mapping techniques and shorten time radiofrequency ablation [1,2].

**Accuracy of new ECG algorithm for localizing right free wall accessory pathways**

We were developed a new algorithm using some simple ECG parameters as right free wall belong to right side pathways by negative delta wave at V1 lead, right free wall sites accessory pathways by QRS complex transition at after V1V2 lead. "Right anterolateral" and group of "include right lateral and right posterolateral" sites accessory pathways by positive/negative delta waves in at least 2/3 inferior, but "right lateral" and "right posterolateral" by positive/negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead. Then this algorithm was tested prospectively in 23 patients were compared with the location of accessory pathway's successful ablation by RF, and Calculate for sensitivity, specificity, positive predictive value and negative predictive value of the diagnosed algorithm for accessory pathway sites were high accuracy (Table 3-4 & 4-1).

**Table 3:** Characterization of delta wave polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead (DII, DIII, aVF).

Location (+/-) Delta wave in inferior lead	Right antero lateral (n)		Right lateral (n)		Right postero lateral (n)		Total	
	n	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Positive delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior	14	100.0	1	7.7	0	0.0	10	
Negative delta wave in at least 2/3inferior	0	0.0	12	92.3	23	100.0	13	
<b>Total (n)</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>13</b>		<b>23</b>		<b>50</b>	

**Table 4:** Characterization of QRS complex polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead (DII, DIII, aVF).

Location QRS complex polarity	Right Anterolateral		Right lateral		Right posterolateral		Total	
	N	%	n	%	n	%	n	%
Positive QRS complex	14	100.0	12	92.3	2	8.7	28	56.0
Negative QRS complex	0	0.0	1	7.7	21	91.3	22	44.0
<b>Total (n)</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>13</b>		<b>23</b>		<b>50</b>	<b>100.0</b>

**Table 4-1:** Comparision of procedural parameters in other studies about procedure time and fluoroscopy.

Authors	Accessory pathway location	Mean Procedure time (minute)	MeanFluoroscopy time (minute)
Robert Lemery [3]	WPW syndrome (n = 60)	216.0 ± 90.0	66.0 ± 33.0
Tran Van Dong [5]	Typical WPW (n = 96)	96.3 ± 44.6	23.1 ± 13.6
Tran Van Dong [5]	Right free wall lateral (n=29)	117.1 ± 53.7	31.1 ± 16.3
Our results (2016-2017)	Right free wall lateral (n = 50)	50.2 ± 11.5	6.9 ± 3.0

**Localization of free wall lateral locations accessory pathways group by transition characteristics of the QRS complex on 12-lead ECG:** Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing

APs in right free wall location by QRS complex transition at after V1, V2 lead (V3-V6) were 22/23 (94.0%), giving a very high sensitivity of 94.0% (Table 5).

**Table 5:** Overall, Sensitivity, Specificity, PPV and NPV Value of the Proposed Algorithm for right free wall pathway in 50 patients.

Right free wall Accessory Pathways (n = 50)	Se (%)	Sp (%)	PPV (%)	NPV (%)	R	P
The free wall lateral accessory pathways	94.0%					
Right side APs (right free lateral APs) by (+)/(-) delta wave in lead V1	98.0%					
Right side APs (right free lateral APs) by (+)/(-) QRS in lead V1	100%					
RAL pathways with RPL region by (+)/(-) delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead	100%	100%	100%	100%	1	0.0001
RAL and RPL pathways by (+) / (-) QRS in at least 2/3 inferior lead	100%	91.3%	100%	91.3%	0.894	0.0001
RAL and includes RL/RPL pathways by delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead	100%	97.2%	100%	97.2%	0.953	0.0001
Includes RAL/RL and RPL pathways by QRS complex polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead	96.3%	91.3%	92.9%	95.5%	0.880	0.0001
RL and RPL pathway by QRS complex polarity in at least 2/3 inferior lead	92.3%	91.3%	85.7%	95.5%	0.824	0.0001

Muhammad [9] showed that septal or lateral accessory pathways by QRS complex transition at V1V2 or after V1V2 lead with Se of 97% and Sp of 95%. Years ago, Giorgi studies on 41 patients, add to right anteroseptal and right anterolateral by a location were call that ARV (Anterior right Ventricle) and explained by those accessory pathways had small QRS complex; the accuracy of ARV location with Se of 96.5%, Sp of 90.7%, PNP of 80% [11]; the results were not-yet characteristic defined for between anteroseptal and right anterolateral pathways. D' Avila was used to characteristic of QRS complex polarity in DIII lead, the results showed that value of predicting for the right free wall APs with Se of 100%, Sp of 98% and PNV of 70% [6].

**Localization of left accessory pathway pathways by delta wave polarity in V1 lead:** Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in right free wall pathways belong to right location by negative delta wave most common at V1 lead were 22/23 patients (98.0%), giving a high sensitivity of 98.0%.

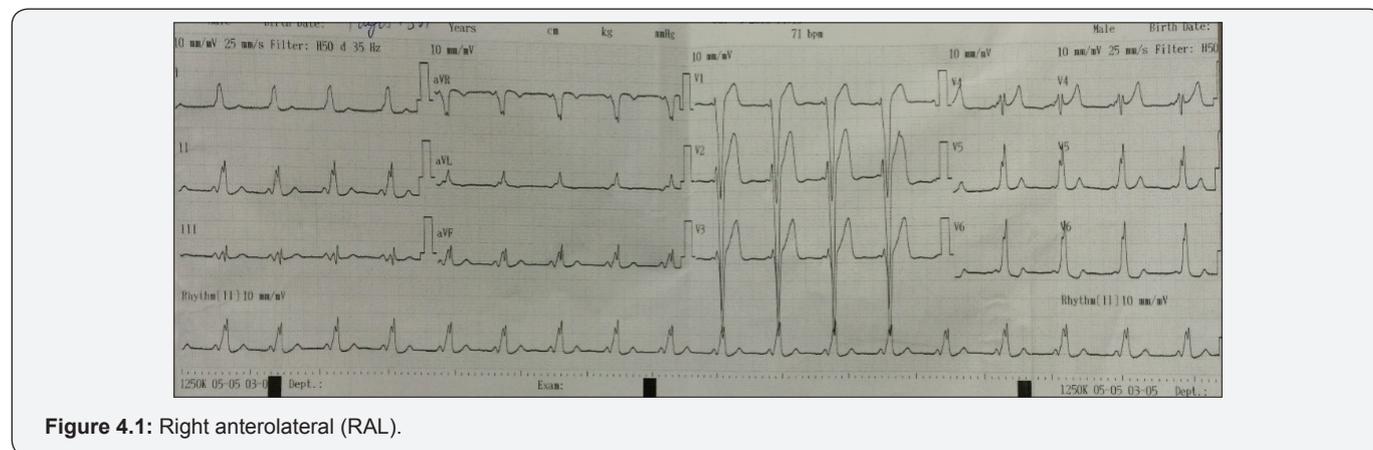
Chern-En Chang [7] showed that the Left side or right-side pathways by positive/negative delta wave at V1 lead with Se of

94.4% and Sp of 87.5%. Years ago, Milstein (n=141) used to some parameters as the characteristic of Q wave or isoelectric QRS in DI, AVL, V1, inferior lead, Rs or RS in V1, V2, or V3 lead, and QRS axis, can be predicting for the right free wall with Se of 75%, Sp of 98.5%, PNV of 50% [10].

**Localization of other location of right free wall pathways**

**a) Localization of other position of right free wall pathways by positive delta wave or negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead**

Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in group of “right anterolateral pathways” with group of “includes right lateral and right posterolateral pathways” by positive/negative delta wave in at least 2/3 inferior lead was very significantly higher, giving a sensitivity of 100%, specificity of 97.2%, PPV of 100% and NPV of 97.2%, with R = 0.953, P < 0.0001. Muhammad showed that the Antero or postero accessory pathways by positive/negative delta waves in common at inferior lead had Se and Sp from 85-100% [9] (Figure 4.1-4.3).



**Figure 4.1:** Right anterolateral (RAL).

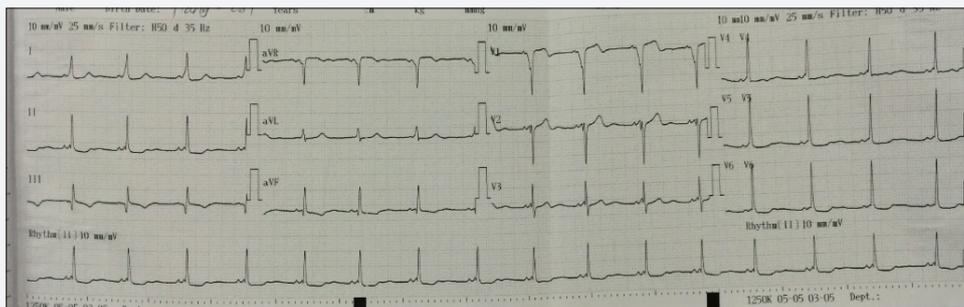


Figure 4.2: Right lateral (RL).

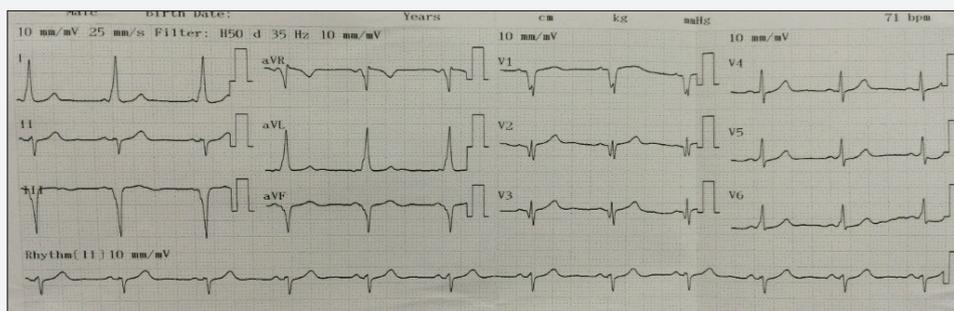


Figure 4.3: Right posterolateral (RPL).

**b) Localization of right lateral or right posterolateral pathways by positive/negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead**

Accuracy of the algorithm for localizing APs in right lateral or right posterolateral position by positive or negative QRS complex was very significantly higher, giving a sensitivity of 92.3%, specificity of 91.3%, PPV of 85.7% and NPV of 95.5% ( $R= 0.824$ ;  $P < 0.0001$ ); However, the predictive value was not high (66.7%); Therefore, the doctors must be attention to consideration for these cases in the during procedure of the mapping and radiofrequency ablation. Furthermore, Accuracy of the algorithm for different between the group of “includes right anterolateral and right lateral” or “right posterolateral” position by positive or negative QRS complex was very significantly higher, giving a sensitivity of 96.3%, specificity of 91.3%, PPV of 92.9% and NPV of 95.5% ( $R= 0.880$ ;  $P < 0.0001$ ), giving the sensitivity very high (96.3%); Therefore, the doctors must be consideration for two method in predicting localizations before the mapping and radiofrequency ablation.

D’ Avila showed that only predicting the right free wall APs, but not localizing for the between other location (right anterolateral, right lateral, right posterolateral pathways) of right free wall APs [6]. Muhammad [9] studies used to many parameters such as positive/negative delta wave in V1, DI, DII, DIII lead, and inferior leads (DII, DIII, aVF), R wave in DI, DII, DIII and V1 lead; R/S in D1, aVL and V1 lead; S wave in V1 lead and QRS axis, the studies was showed that the value of localizing in right side with sensitivity of 92% and specificity of 100%; but right free wall pathways were only two locations (right antero and right posterolateral pathways) because the results showed that negative delta wave in

inferior lead for the right lateral and right posterolateral pathways, therefore Muhammad was add to these positions by one location and call that right posterolateral pathways, can be explained by the studies not-yet used to parameters as positive/negative QRS complex in inferior lead in localizing between right lateral and right posterolateral pathways [9]. We were used to the parameter (QRS complex polarity) in at least 2/3 inferior to helped accuracy for localizing APs between two positions.

The role of the potential to predict a successful ablation site can help the fluoroscopy time and procedure time were significantly shorten, it’s fluoroscopy safety because according to Singger Igor studied to mean fluoroscopy time for per case had over 48 minute and over 4 case for per weeks was cause on chromosomal aberration [3,4].

**Conclusion**

We studied 40 patients, we have developed a new algorithm in localizing accessory pathway for the right free wall by 40 patients with typical WPW syndrome and validated it. We found that the right free wall had negative delta wave was most common at V1 lead (80%) and QRS complex transition was most common at after V1V2 lead lead (90%). Anterolateral pathways had positive delta wave was most common at least 2/3 inferior lead (100%) and right lateral as well as posterolateral pathways had negative delta wave was most common at least 2/3 inferior lead (93.5%). Different between right lateral and right posterolateral by positive or negative QRS complex in at least 2/3 inferior lead.

Then this algorithm was tested prospectively in 50 patients were compared with the location of AP’s successful ablation by RCFA. The new algorithm was proved to be high accuracy as

sensitivity and specificity (from 91.3% to 100%). The role of the predict AP location very important in effect of significantly shorten on the fluoroscopy time, procedure time and fluoroscopy safety when using the new algorithm with simple parameters as above for the right free wall location.

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