

EMC 452
Therapeutic Modalities Homework #1

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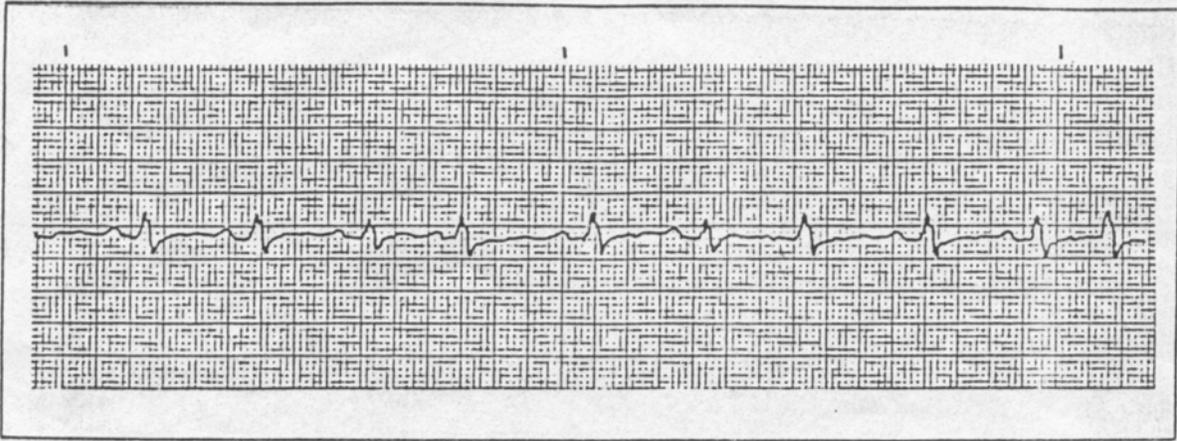
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Instructions: For each scenario, please document thoroughly, yet succinctly, **every action** you would take in treating each patient. You may do this in paragraph form or you may form a list of actions. Remember to start from the basics and move to the advanced treatments.

Assume that for each rhythm, no matter your treatment, the rhythm stays the same.

Each scenario must be typewritten in 10 or 12 font. Make sure that your responses are clearly written and that you include every action you would perform in the field.

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A 46-year-old woman was struck by a car as she was crossing the street a block from your station. Arriving at the scene, you find her lying in the street, alert and moaning. She complains of severe pain in her chest and states that "it hurts to breathe." Her pulse is strong, blood pressure is 150/80, and respirations are 20 and shallow. There is no evidence of head trauma. Pupils are equal and reactive. There is no neck vein distention. There are bruises over the right anterior chest and pain on palpation over the right fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth ribs near the sternal border. Breath sounds are equal bilaterally, and heart sounds are well heard. The abdomen is soft and nontender. There are no deformities of the extremities; sensation and movement are intact in all extremities.

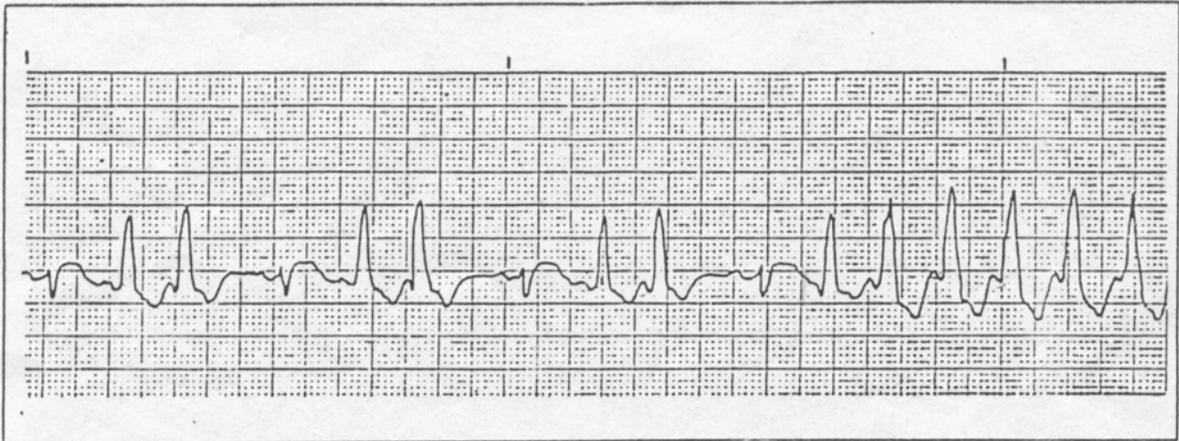


Figure 5

You have been called to a very elegant suburban home to attend a "man with chest pain." The patient is a 42-year-old executive, who complains of 1 hour of "heavy" retrosternal pain, which began while he was watching the stock market report on television. He also complains of weakness and dizziness and says that he "feels like I am going to die." On physical examination, he is pale, apprehensive, and diaphoretic. The pulse is difficult to palpate, but feels irregular, and respirations appear increased.