

For accurate measurement of the QT interval, the relationship between QT and ~~the~~ R–R intervals should be repeatable. ~~This issue is important~~ particularly when the heart rate is  $<50$  bpm and  $>120$  bpm. Moreover, ~~a~~ accurate measurement of the QT interval is ~~also~~ important in athletes and children who have a significant beat-to-beat variability of the R–R interval. In such cases, prolonged and numerous recordings may be necessary. The ~~l~~ongest QT interval is generally observed in the right precordial leads.

Long QT syndrome (LQTS) is a congenital disorder characterized by, ~~which shows~~ a protracted QT interval on the electrocardiogram ~~EKG~~. LQTS ~~This condition~~ influences ventricular tachyarrhythmias ~~to~~ development in ~~people~~ patients, which may lead to syncope, cardiac arrest, or sudden cardiac death. Additionally ~~In LQTS~~, QT prolongation can lead to polymorphic ventricular tachycardia, which is also referred to as torsade de pointes. This condition itself may ~~lead to~~ cause ventricular fibrillation and sudden cardiac death.

Torsade de pointes is widely thought to be triggered by calcium channel reactivation, ~~a~~ delayed sodium current reactivation, or a diminished outward potassium current that results in early afterdepolarization (EAD). This leads to enhanced transmural dispersion of repolarization (TDR) and is usually associated with a prolonged QT interval. TDR serves as a functional reentry background to maintain torsade de pointes. It ~~TDR~~ provides a reentry background ~~for reentry~~ and increases the likelihood of EAD, the trigger for torsade de pointes, by ~~the extension of~~ extending the time window for calcium channels to remain open. Any additional condition accelerating the reactivation of calcium channels (e.g., increased sympathetic tone); increases the risk of EAD.

Prolonged recovery from excitation increases the probability ~~chance~~ of dispersion of refractoriness, when some parts of the myocardium are refractory to subsequent depolarization. From a physiological viewpoint, dispersion occurs with repolarization of the three layers of the heart; and the repolarization

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phase tends to be prolonged in the myocardium. ~~This is the reason why~~Therefore, the T wave is usually wide and the interval from ~~the~~ peak of the T<sub>s</sub>-wave to its end (Tp-e) represents ~~the transmural dispersion of repolarization (TDR)~~. In ~~long QT syndrome (LQTS)~~, TDR increases and creates a functional background for transmural reentry.

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