QUIZ 11th March 2020 (answers below)

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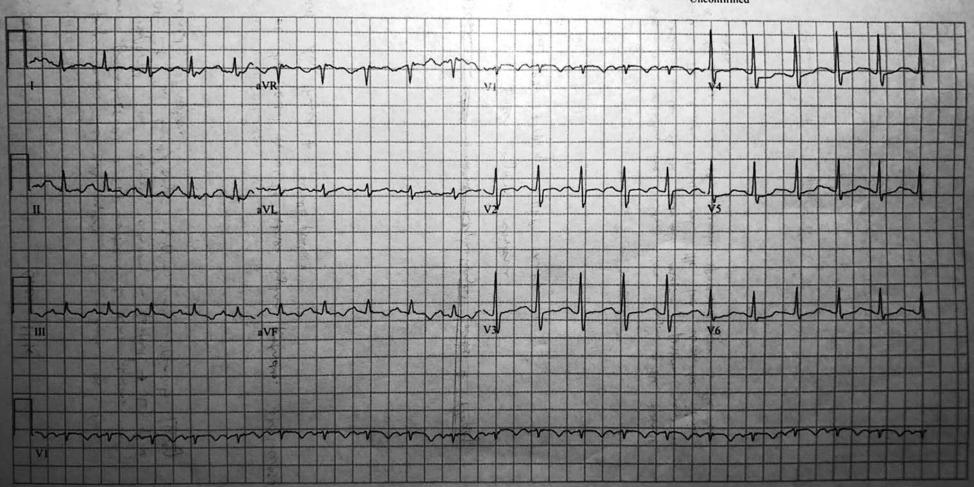
vent. rate 125	
PR interval •	ms
QRS duration 90	ms
QT/QTc 400/577	ms
P-R-T axes • 59	45

Sinus tachycardia Otherwise normal ECG No previous ECGs available

Technician:

Room

Unconfirmed



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1. What is a jersey finger?

Jersey finger is avulsion of the FDP tendon insertion into the base of the DIP joint. It most commonly affects the ring finger, as the FDP insertion into the ring finger is weaker than the middle finger.

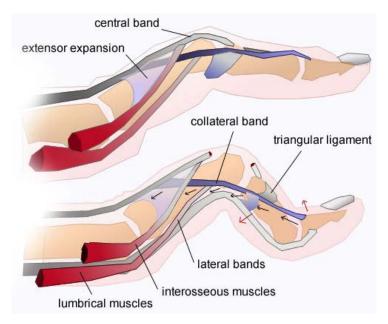
It is named "jersey finger" as it classically occurs during football, when there is sudden hyperextension of the actively flexed finger from grabbing an opponent's jersey. Patients cannot flex the finger at the DIP joint and there is pain and tenderness at the site. Xray is normal, or may show a small avulsion fracture at the proximal flexor aspect of the distal phalanx. Partial tear is managed conservatively. Complete tear requires surgery within a few days.



2. What is a central slip injury?

Rupture of the central band can occur from a hyperflexion injury, a volar dislocation at the PIP joint, a dorsal laceration or chronic joint disease.

Over time there is palmar migration of the lateral and collateral bands, resulting in a boutonniere deformity. Management is conservative with a finger-based splint holding the PIP joint in full extension for 6 weeks. Operative management is reserved for displaced avulsion fractures or open injuries.



3. What is Elson's test?

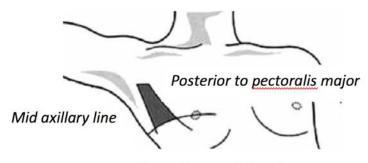
Elson's test is for central slip function.

Patient has PIP joint flexed to 90 degrees and then tries to extend the PIP joint against resistance placed on the middle phalanx. Normally, the DIP remains floppy because the central slip attachment is used to extend the PIP joint. If there is a central slip rupture, the collateral bands are utilised, which attached to the dorsal surface of the distal phalanx and pull the DIP joint into extension.

That is the best I can do to put it into words. Alternatively, just watch this:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G9HY0qXWUvE

4. What is the "triangle of safety" for chest tube insertion?



Above the nipple level

5. Describe and interpret the following ECG.

Rate 125/min Regular

P waves All conducted, upright in II so likely sinus in origin

PR interval Normal

QRS Narrow with normal axis + 60 degrees

gr pattern in V1

Counterclockwise rotation

ST Minimal changes

T wave TW inversion inferiorly and V1-3

QTc 577 prolonged

→ Sinus tachycardia Right strain pattern

→ Acute pulmonary embolus