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Atrial Flutter- The Typical Pattern

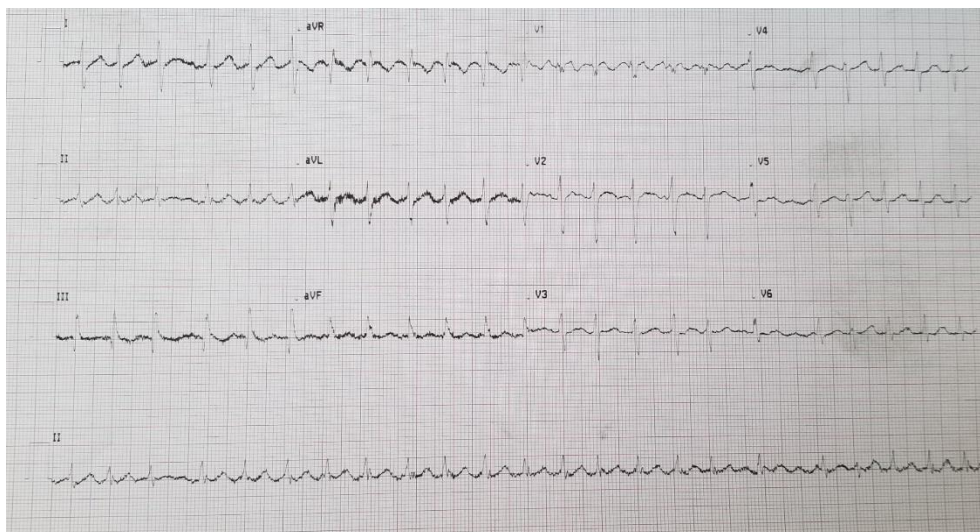
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Electrocardiogram (ECG) here shows flutter waves in a saw tooth pattern that are best visible in leads II and III. The flutter waves can be easily noticed by turning the ECG upside down. There is variable atrioventricular conduction block. The ventricular response here is irregular. There are positive flutter waves in lead II suggesting clockwise flutter which is not so common.

Identification of the flutter waves may be easier on inspection of inferior leads by turning the ECG upside down.



Electrocardiogram showing typical atrial flutter with variable atrioventricular block

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