Luciani-Wenckebach Atrioventricular Block During Long-Term Diltiazem Therapy

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We report on a patient receiving diltiazem as a long-term therapy. After two years of therapy, the ECG demonstrated a Luciani-Wenckebach AV block. The ECG improved at the discontinuation of the drug. This case suggests that a long-term administration of diltiazem, even in normal doses, can have adverse effects and requires a careful ECG monitoring.

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