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The differentiation between the notching and slurring type of early repolarization (ER) can sometimes be difficult, and the lack of a clear definition of notching and slurring has already been highlighted by one of us.¹ However, in the present study,² we used the criteria proposed by Haïssaguerre et al,³ in which a slurring morphological feature is described by a smooth transition from the QRS segment to the ST segment; a notching morphological feature is characterized by a positive J deflection inscribed on the S wave, although the amplitude and duration of the notch were not detailed in that article.³ The daughter’s ECG in lead II shows this J deflection (ie, the notching type of ER). On the other hand, the QRS configuration of the son’s ECG in lead aVF does not exhibit such a clear notch and, hence, it was classified as the slurring type of ER. We apologize to the readers for the fact that the figure legend includes a typographic error. The illustration shows leads II and aVF for all 3 individuals and does not include lead aVL, as annotated for the daughter’s ECG. She, therefore, presents with the slurring type of ER in aVF.

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None.

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