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In Cardiology

The incidence of atrial fibrillation in the general population is 4% (a figure I find surprisingly high). Among persons with hyperthyroidism, there is a 15% incidence of AF. Subclinical hyperthyroidism causes a threefold increase in the incidence of AF. Be especially suspicious of this possible connection in older patients. Also, here is a tip, one of those for which I have been unable to find evidence-based support.

Reveno states, “The patient notices rapid heart action more promptly than irregularity”. Of course, both cardiac manifestations – **tachycardia and irregularity** – can occur in **hyperthyroidism**

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