

Nuova proposta di classificazione degli SE

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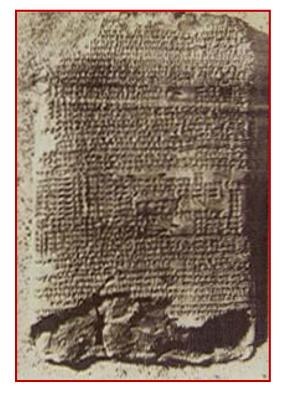
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... «se il demonio lo possiede molte volte nella notte, e se nel momento della possessione le sue mani e i suoi piedi sono caldi ed è scuro il viso, se apre e chiude la bocca può continuare per qualche tempo...ma morirà»...

1ª referenza all'epilessia e allo SDM

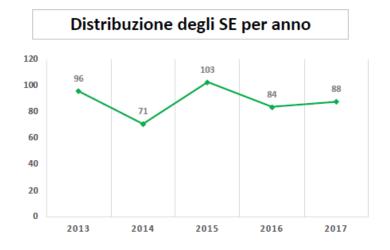
Ci sono delle volte che non appena una crisi finisce, un' altra inizia, una di seguito all' altra in successione, cosicchè si possono contare 40, 60 crisi senza interruzione : i pazienti lo chiamano " etat de mal". Il pericolo è imminente, molti pazienti muoiono

L.F. Calmeil De l'epilepsie, Parigi 1824

Lo Stato Epilettico (SE) è una condizione grave, caratterizzata da un'alta mortalità e morbilità.

Incidenza annuale attorno a 10–20 per 100,000 nell'Europa centrale (Jallon et al., 1999; Knake et al., 2001; Rosenow et al., 2007).

Periodo di osservazione: 2013 - 2017







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SDM: DEFINIZIONE

una situazione caratterizzata da una crisi epilettica che e' sufficientemente prolungata o ripetuta a intervalli di tempo cosi' brevi tali da produrre una "condizione epilettica"

Dizionario dell' Epilessia 1973

PROBLEMI DI DEFINIZIONE

- durata delle crisi?
- perdita di coscienza?
- ripristino di coscienza?
- crisi subentranti o "in serie"

CLASSIFICAZIONE (1) (Gastaut e Tassinari, 1975)

GENERALIZZATO CONVULSIVO TONICO - CLONICO

TONICO

CLONICO

MIOCLONICO

GENERALIZZATO NON CONVULSIVO ABSENCE STATUS

ATONICO

PARZIALE ELEMENTARE SOMATOMOTORE

SOMATOSENSITIVO

ADVERSIVO

DISFASICO / AFASICO

VISIVO

COMPLESSO

UNILATERALE

ERRATICO

CLASSIFICAZIONE (2)

CONVULSIVO: GENERALIZZATO TONICO-CLONICO

TONICO

CLONICO

UNILATERALE

FOCALE

NON CONVULSIVO: CON DISTURBO DELLA COSCIENZA

SENZA DISTURBO DELLA COSCIENZA

SDM: DEFINIZIONE 2

una condizione in cui l'attivita' epilettica persiste per almeno 30 minuti causando un ampio spettro di sintomi clinici, e con una variabile base neurofisiologica, anatomica ed eziologica (Shorvon 1994)

una crisi che non si arresta dopo una durata che supera quella di gran parte delle crisi nella maggior parte dei pazienti o crisi ripetute senza recupero delle funzioni cerebrali di base fra una e l'altra (Glossario ILAE 2001)

ALTRI: 20 min.? 10 min.?

50% del periodo di registrazione?

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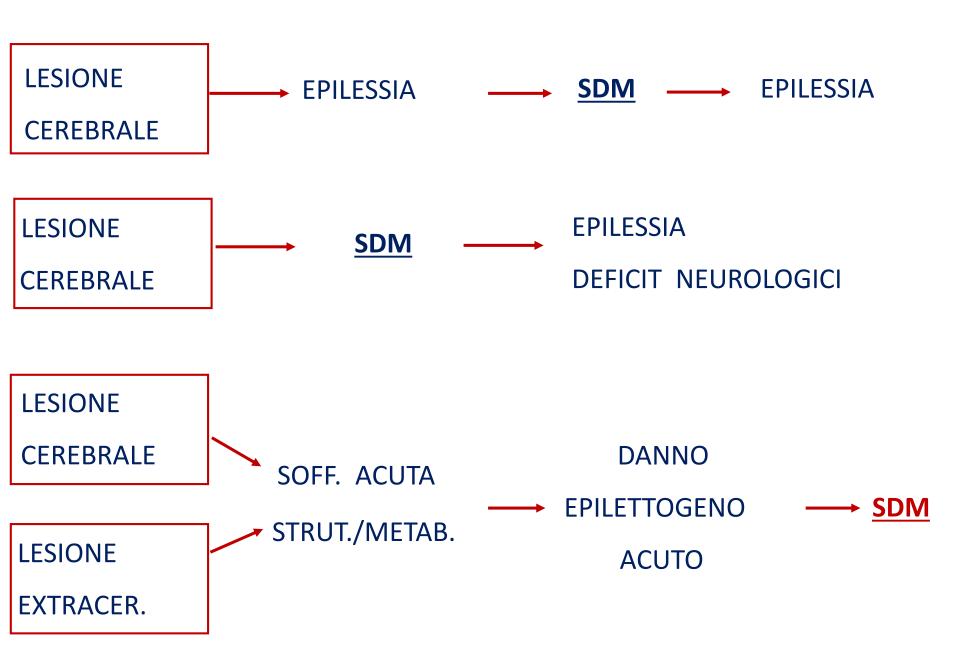
Treatment of Status Epilepticus in Adults: Guidelines of the Italian League Against Epilepsy

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Uno stato di male epilettico e' una situazione clinica nella quale una crisi epilettica (generalizzata o focale, motoria o no) si prolunga per più di 20 minuti o nella quale le crisi si ripetono a brevissimi intervalli tali da rappresentare una condizione epilettica continua

SDM: POSSIBILI SCENARI



Commenti alle definizioni

- ✓ Dagli anni '80 le definizioni di SDM erano basate sul tipo di crisi (convulsive/non convulsive) e sulle caratteristiche EEG (critiche /intercritiche)
- ✓ Almeno la metà dei pazienti con SE non hanno l'epilessia o una specifica sindrome epilettica, ma hanno avuto un danno acuto o pregresso sul sistema nervoso centrale o presentano una malattia sistemica.
- ✓ Pertanto, le definizioni utilizzate in precedenza nella classificazione delle crisi nello SDM dovevano essere modificate.



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Si tratta di una condizione che può avere conseguenze a lungo termine, incluse la morte neuronale e l'alterazione di reti neurali, che variano in base alla tipologia e alla durata delle crisi



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quattro assi per la nuova classificazione dello SE

- 1: semeiologia
- 2: eziologia
- 3: caratteristiche eeg
- 4: eta' del paziente

Axis I: Classification of status epilepticus (SE)

1. SEMEIOLOGIA

2 criteri:

presenza/assenza di manifestazioni epilettiche motorie

grado (qualitativo/quantitativo) di compromissione della coscienza

Le forme con prominenti sintomi motori e compromissione della coscienza sono indicate come

SE CONVULSIVO (CSE)
in opposizione alle forme di
SE NON CONVULSIVO (NCSE).

(A) With prominent motor symptoms

A. I Convulsive SE (CSE, synonym: tonic-clonic SE)

A. I.a. Generalized convulsive

A. I.b. Focal onset evolving into bilateral convulsive SE

A.I.c. Unknown whether focal or generalized

A.2 Myoclonic SE (prominent epileptic myoclonic jerks)

A.2.a. With coma

A.2.b. Without coma

A.3 Focal motor

A.3.a. Repeated focal motor seizures (Jacksonian)

A.3.b. Epilepsia partialis continua (EPC)

A.3.c. Adversive status

A.3.d. Oculoclonic status

A.3.e. Ictal paresis (i.e., focal inhibitory SE)

A.4 Tonic status

A.5 Hyperkinetic SE

(B) Without prominent motor symptoms (i.e., nonconvulsive SE, NCSE)

B. I NCSE with coma (including so-called "subtle" SE)

B.2 NCSE without coma

B.2.a. Generalized

B.2.a.a Typical absence status

B.2.a.b Atypical absence status

B.2.a.c Myoclonic absence status

B.2.b. Focal

B.2.b.a Without impairment of consciousness (aura continua, with autonomic, sensory, visual, olfactory, gustatory, emotional/ psychic/experiential, or auditory symptoms)

B.2.b.b Aphasic status

B.2.b.c With impaired consciousness

B.2.c Unknown whether focal or generalized

B.2.c.a Autonomic SE

2. EZIOLOGIA

Etiology of status epilepticus

Known (i.e., symptomatic)

Acute (e.g., stroke, intoxication, malaria, encephalitis, etc.)

Remote (e.g., posttraumatic, postencephalitic, poststroke, etc.)

Progressive (e.g., brain tumor, Lafora's disease and other PMEs, dementias)

SE in defined electroclinical syndromes

Unknown (i.e., cryptogenic)

NB: Non si parla più di SE «IDIOPATICO» o GENETICO», queste definizioni rientrano nel temine «UNKNOWN»

Vengono contemplate poi delle condizioni indeterminate «Boundary syndromes»



Table 3. Currently indeterminate conditions (or "boundary syndromes")

Epileptic encephalopathies

Coma with non evolving epileptiform EEG pattern^a
Behavioral disturbance (e.g., psychosis) in patients with epilepsy
Acute confusional states, (e.g., delirium) with epileptiform EEG
patterns

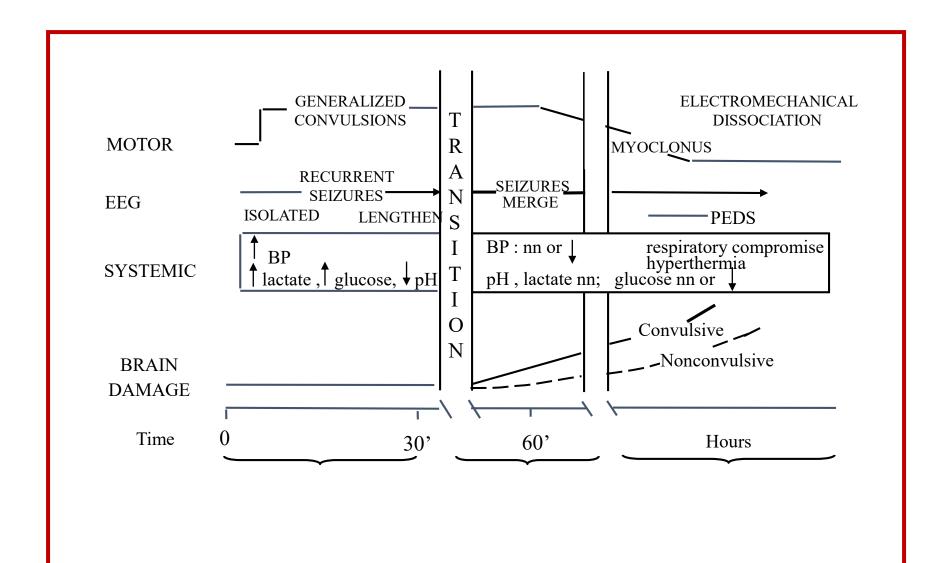
^aLateralized and generalized periodic discharges with monotonous appearance are not considered as evolving EEG patterns. ^{26,27}

3. EEG

- 1. Localizzazione anomalie (generalizzato, lateralizzato, bilaterale indipendente, multifocale)
- 2. Denominazione anomalie (scariche periodiche, attività delta ritmica, PO/SW...)
- 3. Morfologia anomalie (es. onde trifasiche)
- 4. Decorso temporale delle anomalie
- 5. Modulazione anomalie (indotte da stimoli/spontanee)
- Effetti dei farmaci sull'EEG

4. ETA'

- 1. Neonatale (0-30 giorni)
- 2. Infantile (30 giorni-2 anni)
- 3. Fanciullezza (>2 anni-12 anni)
- 4. Adolescenza ed Età adulta (>12-59 anni)
- 5. Anziani (>/= 60 anni)



Definizione operativa, che tiene conto della progressione dello SE e quindi anche dei tempi di intervento

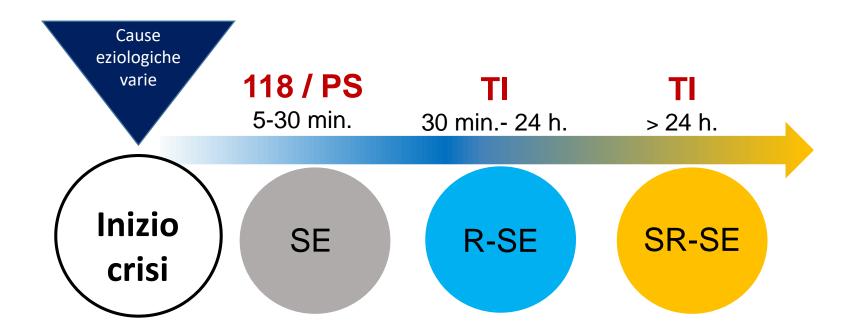
SE "incombente o iniziale" (impending SE): quando una crisi perdura per più di 5 min.

SE "stabilito" (established SE): quando le crisi continuano fino a 30-60 min.

SE "refrattario" > 60 min. Res a T di 1° e 2° linea

Subtle SE: fase in cui le manifestazioni motorie si fanno sempre meno intense, pur essendo evidente il prolungarsi ed il ripetersi delle scariche EEG

SE "super-refrattario" resistente agli anestetici



SE definito: necessita di terapia con AEDs per poter essere controllato SE refrattario: necessita di ammissione in TI e di t. con anestetici SE Super-Refrattario: persiste dopo 24 h o ricompare alla sospensione della t. con anestetici

Dimensione operazionale

T1= tempo in cui il trattamento deve essere iniziato
T2= tempo dopo il quale l'attività critica comporta il rischio di
conseguenze a lungo termine

Table 1. Operational dimensions with t_1 indicating the time that emergency treatment of SE should be started and indicating the time at which long-term consequences may be expected		
	Operational dimension I	Operational dimension 2 Time (t ₂), when a seizure may
	Time (t ₁), when a seizure is likely to be prolonged leading to continuous	cause long term consequences (including neuronal injury, neuronal death, alteration
Type of SE	seizure activity	of neuronal networks and functional deficits)
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Relevance of clinical context in the diagnostic-therapeutic approach to status epilepticus

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Table 1. Etiologies of SE according to different clinical contexts

- (I) Etiologies of SE in patients with known epilepsy
 - (a) Triggering factors: AED withdrawal, febrile illnesses, sleep deprivation, inappropriate AED prescription, reduced AED plasmatic levels (vomiting/diarrhea, drug-drug interactions)
 - (b) SE as an integral part of different electroclinical syndromes:
 - (i) Neonatal period and infancy:
 - 1. Ohtahara syndrome
 - West syndrome
 - (ii) Childhood and adolescence:
 - 1. Dravet syndrome
 - 2. Angelman syndrome
 - 3. Lennox-Gastaut syndrome
 - 4. Panayiotopoulos syndrome
 - 5. Ring chromosome 20 syndrome
 - Electrical SE during slow wave sleep (ESES) and Landau-Kleffner syndrome
 - (iii) Adolescence and adulthood:
 - I. Absence status epilepsy
 - (iv) Any age:
 - I. Progressive myoclonic epilepsies
 - 2. Rasmussen encephalitis
 - 3. Others (epilepsy associated with POLG I mutations, etc)
- (2) Etiologies of SE common to patients with and without known epilepsy
 - (a) Acute (i.e., stroke, intoxication, infectious or autoimmune encephalitis, metabolic disturbances, abrupt drug or alcohol withdrawal, etc.) (see Appendix I in Trinka et al. I)
 - (b) Remote (i.e., posttraumatic, postencephalitic, poststroke, etc.) (see Appendix I in Trinka et al. ¹)
 - (c) Progressive (i.e., brain neoplasms, dementias, etc.) (see Appendix I in Trinka et al. I)
- (3) Unknown etiologies ("cryptogenic SE")



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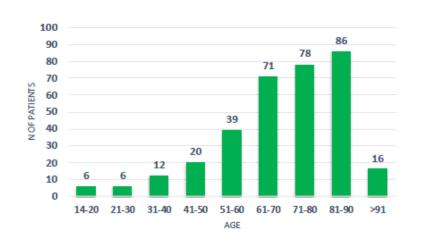


A one-year prospective study of refractory status epilepticus in Modena, Italy

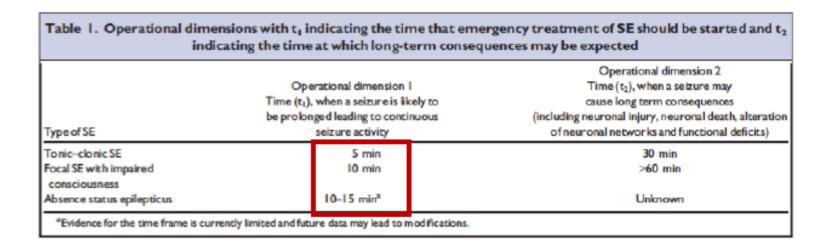


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Distribuzione degli SE in base all'eta'



"Condizione risultante sia dal fallimento dei meccanismi responsabili della terminazione delle crisi sia dall'attivazione di meccanismi che conducono alla comparsa di crisi abnormemente prolungate (in seguito ad un dato intervallo temporale t1). Si tratta di una condizione che può avere conseguenze a lungo termine (in seguito all'intervallo t2), incluse la morte neuronale, il danno neuronale e l'alterazione delle reti neuronali, che variano in base alla tipologia ed alla durata delle crisi".

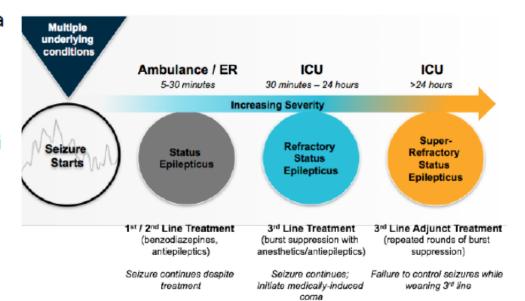


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dalla terapia BDZ

- SE definito: SE che necessita di terapia con AEDs per poter essere controllato
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BDZ: Benzodiazepine; AEDs: Anti-epileptic drugs



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Status Epilepticus Severity Score (STESS)

A tool to orient early treatment strategy

	Features	STESS	
Consciousness	Alert or somnolent/confused Stuporous or comatose	0 1	←
Worst seizure type	Simple-partial, complex-partial, absence, myoclonic* Generalized-convulsive Nonconvulsive status epilepticus in coma	0 1 2	—
Age	< 65 years ≥ 65 years	0 2	—
History of previous seizures	Yes No or unknown	0 1	—
Total		0–6	

^{*} complicating idiopathic generalized epilepsy

Score favorevole: 0-2

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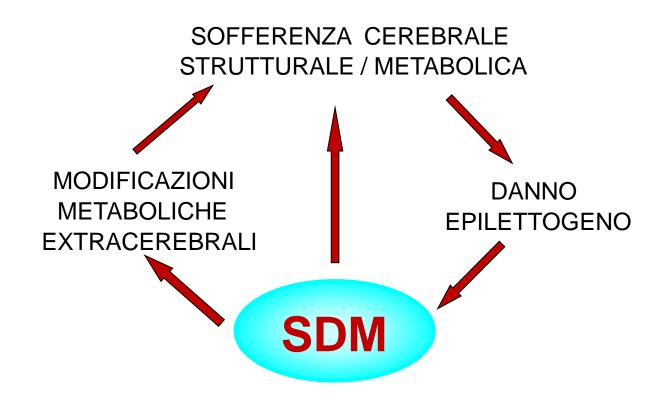
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DEF. 1: SEMEIOLOGICA

DEF. 2: EZIOLOGICA

DEF. 3: CARATTERISTICHE EEG

DEF. 4: ETA' DEL PAZIENTE



MORTALITA': 6-30% dei casi

Evaluation of a clinical tool for early etiology identification in status epilepticus

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Table 1. List of diagnostic categories and frequencies as definitive SE etiology		r
Underlying etiology after complete workup (n = 212)	n	%
Total, n = 212		
ASD-related (nonadherence, recent change or low levels)	34	16.04
Brain tumor without acute change	28	13.21
(no change or increase in tumor load)		
Acute hemorrhagic cerebrovascular event	21	9.91
Known epilepsy (non structural) without provocative	16	7.55
factors (breakthrough seizures)		
Remote ischemic cerebrovascular event	14	6.6
Unclassified ^a	13	6.13
CNS infection (meningitis or encephalitis)	12	5.66
Unknown origin	11	5.19
Toxic-metabolic	10	4.72
Systemic infection/sepsis	10	4.72
Remote hemorrhagic cerebrovascular event	8	3.77
Acute TBI	7	3.3
Acute ischemic cerebrovascular event	5	2.36
Remote TBI	6	2.83
Alcohol related (withdrawal or intoxication)	6	2.83
Brain tumor with acute change	5	2.36
(bleeding, recent biopsy/surgery or		
rapid increase in edema)		
Benzodiazepine withdrawal	4	1.89
Neuro degenerative disease	2	0.94
Other drugs known to reduce seizure threshold	0	0
ASD, antiseizure drug; CNS, central nervous system; TBI, t	raumat	tic brain

injury.

"Unclassified includes: three multiple sclerosis, two confirmed and one possible posterior reversible encephalopathy syndrome (PRES), two tumoral meningitis, one NMDA encephalitis, one neurosarcoidosis, one eclampsia, one arteriovenous malformation without bleeding, and one case of microangiopathic hemolytic anemia.

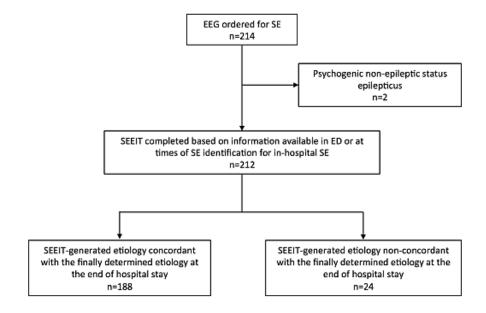
Figure 1.

The Status Epilepticus Etiology Identification Tool (SEEIT).

The SEEIT tool has been designed to guide SE etiology assessment. It has to be used along with antiseizure drug protocol. Each point has to be assessed. Epilepsia © ILAE

1.	Is it really a Status Epilepticus (SE) episode?	1	1
	A. Any signs for Psychogenic Non-Epileptic Seizure (opposition to eyes opening, « waxing and waning » movements, pelvic thrusting, stopped or induced by suggestion)	Yes → avoid AED escalation	No
	B. Seizures lasting more than 5 min or repeated seizures without regain of consciousness	Yes ➡ Point 2	No →Review dx
2.	A) Previous seizures, known epilepsy, or B) De novo seizures but known structural brain damage (stroke, trauma, old meningo-encephalitis) or C) De novo seizure but known brain progressive condition (dementia, tumor)? Specify:	Yes	No □ Point 3
	A. AED non-compliance / recent decrease dosage / low level: Specify:	Yes	No
	B. Systemic infection: Specify:	Yes	No
	C. Alcohol or drug (incl. benzodiazepine and illicit drugs) withdrawal or acute intoxication Consider toxicology screen: Specify	Yes	No
	D. Significant metabolic disturbances (i.e. blood glucose and natremia). Specify:	Yes	No
	Progression or change in previous neurological condition clinically or radiology (e.g., new symptoms, tumor progression, bleeding, blopsy, recent surgery): Specify:	Yes	No
	F. Refractory SE without clear explanation, new neurological abnormality, neck stiffness or fever without systemic explanation. Specify:	Yes 🖒 point 4	No
	G. None of these.	Yes → no acute etiok	ogy→ adapt AED ttt
3.	De novo SE (first ever seizure) without known brain disease?	Yes	No Point 2
	Newly diagnosed, previously asymptomatic structural brain damage or EEG suggesting Idiopathic Generalized Epilepsy (IGE) / Genetic Generalized Epilepsy (IGE): Specify: Specify:	Yes	No
	Acute brain lesion (ischemic or hemorrhagic stroke, cerebral venous thrombosis, SAH, SDH, traumatic brain injury, encephalitis): Specify:	Yes	No
	C. Alcohol or drug (incl. benzodiazepine and illicit drugs) withdrawal or acute intoxication Consider toxicology screening: Specify:	Yes	No
	D. Significant metabolic disturbance (i.e. blood glucose and natremia). Specify:	Yes	No
	E. Severe systemic infection (sepsis): Specify:	Yes	No
	F. Refractory SE without clear explanation, neck stiffness or fever without systemic explanation. Specify:	Yes 🖒 point 4	No
	G. None of these with favorable evolution under AED		yptogenic, but conside cal sign and normal C
4.	Fever or systemic inflammatory response without extra-neurological infectious process, meningeal sign, unusual headache, recent behavior change, or refractory SE without clear etiology - Specify - Think about IV empirical antimicrobial therapy for meningo-encephalitis and blood culture, then lumbar puncture if no contraindication	Yes	No Stop
	Normal CSF (pay attention to normal CSF in early phase of encephalitis)? CSF details:	Normal CSF→ May be cryptogenic. Consider autoimmune disease	Abnormal CSF→ Empirical antimicrobial therapy Consider autoimmune causes

Figure 2.
Study profile. EEG,
electroencephalography; SE, status
epilepticus; SEEIT, Status Epilepticus
Etiology Identification Tool.
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indicating the time at which long-term consequences may be expected				
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Focal SE with impaired consciousness	10 min	>60 min		
Absence status epilepticus	10–15 min ^a	Unknown		

Table 2. Axis I: Classification of status epilepticus (SE)

- (A) With prominent motor symptoms
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- B.2.a.c Myoclonic absence status
- B.2.b. Focal B.2.b.a Without impairment of consciousness (aura continua, with
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Table 2. Cohort description		
Patients (n = 212)		
Demographics		
Age (median, range)	60	18–93
Male (n,%)	106	50
History of previous seizures (n,%)	104	49.1
Center(n,%)		
CHUV	104	49.1
BWH	65	30.7
MGH	30	14.2
BIDMC	13	6. l
SE characteristics		
Worst seizure type (n,%)		
Focal without consciousness impairment	32	15.1
Focal with consciousness impairment	57	28.9
Absence	3	1.42
Myoclonic	1	0.5
Generalized convulsive	102	48. I
Nonconvulsive SE in coma	17	8
Level of consciousness before treatment (n,%)		
Alert	24	11.3
Confused	51	24.1
Somnolent	13	6. I
Stuporous	88	41.5
Comatose	36	17
STESS (mean, SD)	2.64	1.63
Refractory SE (n,%)	119	56.12
Number of different ASD used (median, range)	3	0-13
Coma induction for SE control (n,%)	24	11.3
Outcome at discharge (n,%)		
Return to clinical premorbid baseline	96	45.3
New morbidity	89	42
Death	27	12.8

ASD, antiseizure drug; BWH, Brigham and Women's Hospital; BIDMC, Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center; CHUV, Lausanne University Hospital; MGH, Massachusetts General Hospital; STESS, Status Epilepticus Severity Score.

Table 3. Currently indeterminate conditions (or "boundary syndromes")

Epileptic encephalopathies

Coma with non evolving epileptiform EEG pattern^a

Behavioral disturbance (e.g., psychosis) in patients with epilepsy

Acute confusional states, (e.g., delirium) with epileptiform EEG patterns

^aLateralized and generalized periodic discharges with monotonous appearance are not considered as evolving EEG patterns. ^{26,27}

Table 4. Etiology of status epilepticus

Known (i.e., symptomatic)

Acute (e.g., stroke, intoxication, malaria, encephalitis, etc.)

Remote (e.g., posttraumatic, postencephalitic, poststroke, etc.)

Progressive (e.g., brain tumor, Lafora's disease and other PMEs, dementias)

SE in defined electroclinical syndromes

Unknown (i.e., cryptogenic)

Table 5. SE in selected electroclinical syndromes according to age

SE occurring in neonatal and infantile-onset epilepsy syndromes

Tonic status (e.g., in Ohtahara syndrome or West syndrome)

Myoclonic status in Dravet syndrome

Focal status

Febrile SE

SE occurring mainly in childhood and adolescence

Autonomic SE in early-onset benign childhood occipital epilepsy (Panayiotopoulos syndrome)

NCSE in specific childhood epilepsy syndromes and etiologies

(e.g., Ring chromosome 20 and other karyotype abnormalities,

Angelman syndrome, epilepsy with myoclonic-atonic seizures, other childhood myoclonic encephalopathies; see Appendices

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Tonic status in Lennox-Gastaut syndrome

Myoclonic status in progressive myoclonus epilepsies

Electrical status epilepticus in slow wave sleep (ESES)

Aphasic status in Landau-Kleffner syndrome

SE occurring mainly in adolescence and adulthood

Myoclonic status in juvenile myoclonic epilepsy

Absence status in juvenile absence epilepsy

Myoclonic status in Down syndrome

SE occurring mainly in the elderly

Myoclonic status in Alzheimer's disease

Nonconvulsive status epilepticus in Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease

De novo (or relapsing) absence status of later life

These forms of SE may be encountered prevalently in some age groups, but not exclusively.