

INDICATIONS TO EEG MONITORING IN THE ICU





GENERALIZED STATUS EPILEPTICUS

Critical illness

Neurofunctional status

Generalized convulsive status epilepticus

No return to neurofunctional baseline after antiepileptic therapy

and/or

Refractory status epilepticus

concern for ongoing seizures

General management

- Noninvasive airway protection
- Monitor vital signs
- Start vasopressors with arterial hypotension
- Establish peripheral intravenous access
- · Check blood glucose, blood cell count, metabolic panel, electrolytes, body temperature, toxicology-screen, AED serum levels

- EEG monitoring
- Check for patient's medical history
- Intubation of patients with altered consciousness
- Fluid resuscitation if needed

- Neuroimaging and neurological examination
- Treatment and monitoring of underlying disease
- Check for drug interactions
- Urinary catheter
- Consider lumbar puncture

 Prevention of decubitis ulcers with frequent change of the patient's position

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ALTERED MENTAL STATUS – NON-CONVULSIVE STATUS

Neurological illnesses (others than status epilepticus)

Cardiac arrest Traumatic brain injury Subarachnoid haemorrhage Encephalitis	Unexplained altered level of consciousness	
Intracerebral haemorrhage	Persistent coma	
Ischaemic stroke	Undetermined	
All neurological illnesses	Rhythmic and periodic patterns along the ictal–interictal continuum	
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Nonneurologica illnesses

Comatose patients without primary brain injury

Unexplained altered level of consciousness

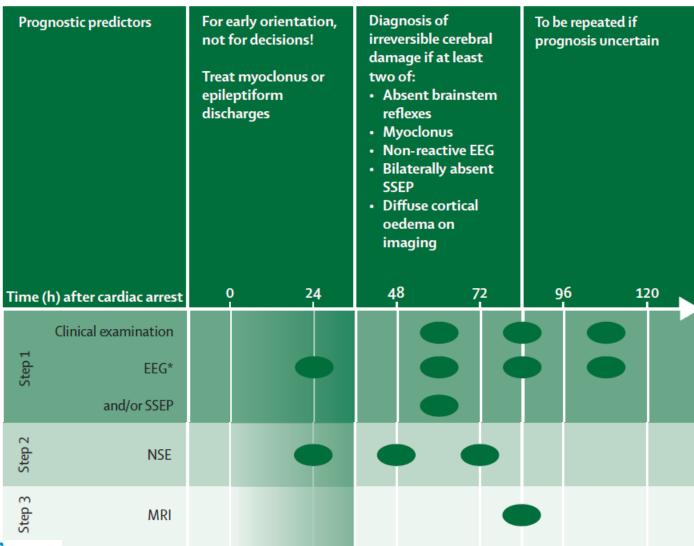




Neurological prognostication of outcome in patients in coma after cardiac arrest Lancet Neurol 2016; 15: 597-609



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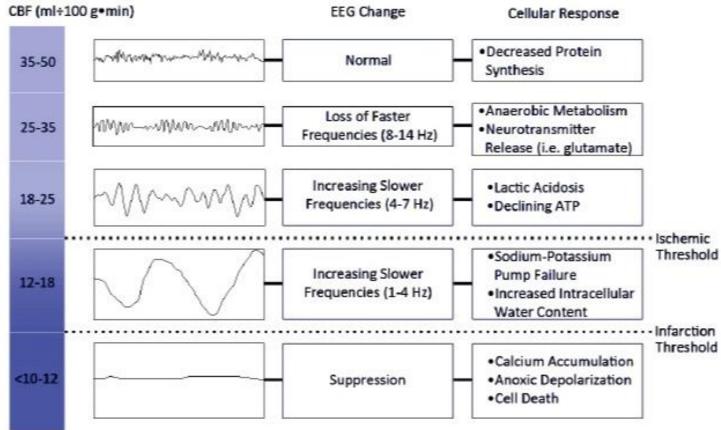




REVIEW

Quantitative EEG for the detection of brain ischemia

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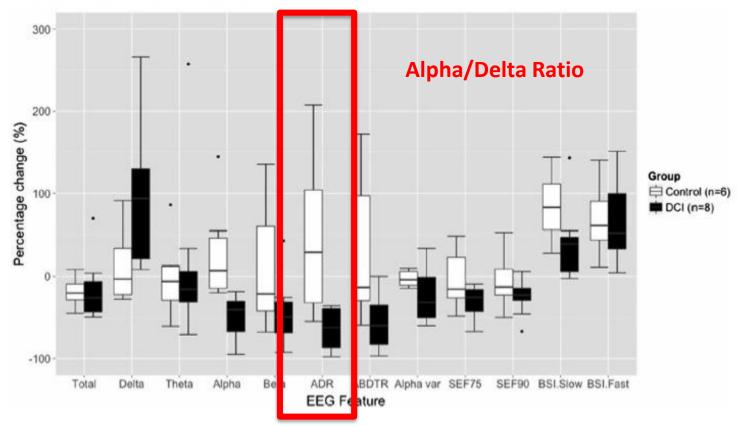


ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Continuous EEG Monitoring for Early Detection of Delayed Cerebral Ischemia in Subarachnoid Hemorrhage: A Pilot Study

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WHAT THE RECOMMENDATIONS SAY





SYSTEMATIC REVIEW

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GRADE recommendations			Patient description	Objective	
Direction	Strength	Level of evidence	Underlying etiology	Scenario	
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Generalized convulsive status epilepticus	No return to functional baseline after initial antiepileptic therapy	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Refractory status epilepticus	Concern for ongoing seizure activity	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Traumatic brain injury	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Subarachnoid hemorrhage	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Intracerebral hemorrhage	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Cardiac arrest	Persistent coma	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (C)	Encephalitis	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Strong (1)	Low quality (B)	Comatose patients without primary brain injury	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Weak (2)	Low quality (C)	Severe traumatic brain injury	Concern for ongoing seizure activity in high-risk patients (large cortical hemorrhagic contusion/hematoma)	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Weak (2)	Very low quality (D)	Acute ischemic stroke	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Detect nonconvulsive seizures
Pro	Weak (2)	Low quality (C)	Subarachnoid hemorrhage	Patients in whom clinical examination is unreliable	Detect ischemia
Pro	Weak (2)	Low quality (C)	Cardiac arrest	Persistent coma	Prognostication
Pro	Weak (2)	Low quality (C)	All comatose ICU patients	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Prognostication
Pro	Weak (2)	Very low quality (D)	Encephalitis	Unexplained alteration in consciousness ^a	Prognostication





REVIEW ARTICLE

Electrophysiologic Monitoring in Acute Brain Injury

Jan Claassen · Paul Vespa · The Participants in the International Multi-disciplinary Consensus Conference on Multimodality Monitoring

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Consensus Statement on Continuous EEG in Critically III Adults and Children, Part I: Indications

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WHAT ABOUT REAL ICU LIFE ?





Continuous EEG monitoring: A survey of neurophysiologists and neurointensivists

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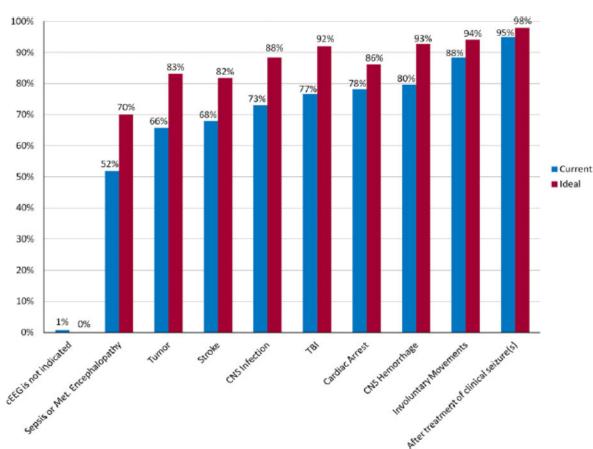
Continuous EEG Monitoring Practice

Current vs. Ideal world

Figure 1.

Current and ideal practice of cEEG among critically ill patients with altered mental status or coma to identify nonconvulsive seizures (n = 137).

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EEG utilization in the medical/surgical ICU: a single centre prospective observational study

- ➤ Use of EEG in a 33-bed medical/surgical ICU and to compare local EEG usage to published Guidelines
- ➤12 non-consecutive weeks (1 June 30 August 2014)
 - ✓ 220 patients screened 330 times
 - ✓ 44/220 patients (20 %) met at least 1 ESICM indication for EEG monitoring

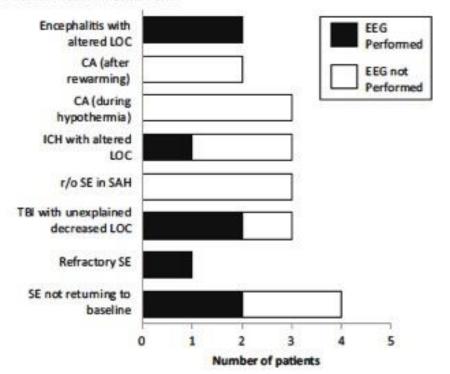


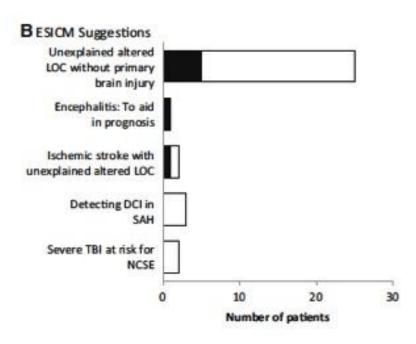


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EEG utilization in the medical/surgical ICU: a single centre prospective observational study

A ESICM Recommendations





□ EEG was performed for only 27 % of patients





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EEG utilization in the medical/surgical ICU: a single centre prospective observational study

- ➤ Additional 32 patients could have been considered eligible for EEG
- ➤ Additional 2–3 patients/week would be feasible if only routine (30 min) EEGs were performed
- ☐ Additional 2–3 continuous EEGs / week would over-burden EEG team





HOW CAN WE IMPROVE EEG APPLICATION?

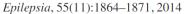
- □ Technique
- □ Time
- ☐ Staff Education
- Multidisciplinary team
- □ Resource availability





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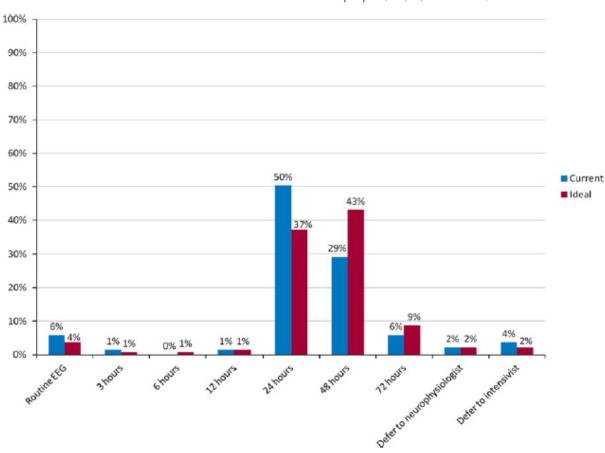


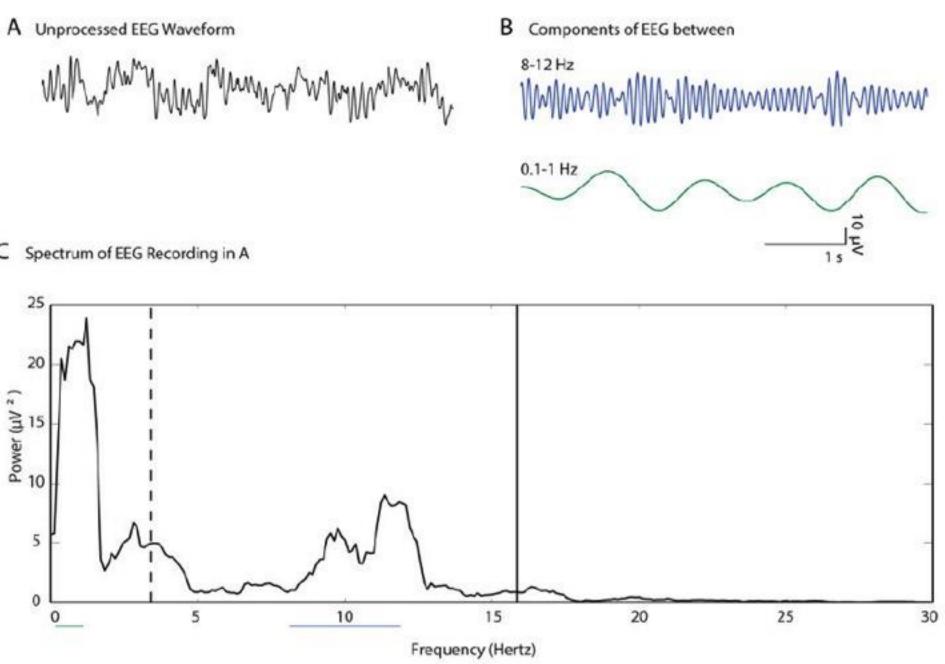
Figure 2.

Current and ideal duration of cEEG in comatose patients when screening for nonconvulsive seizures in (n = 137). Epilepsia © ILAE

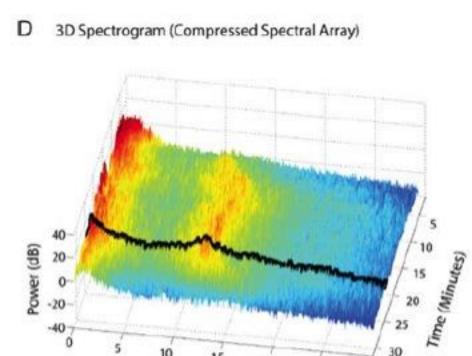


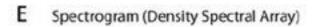


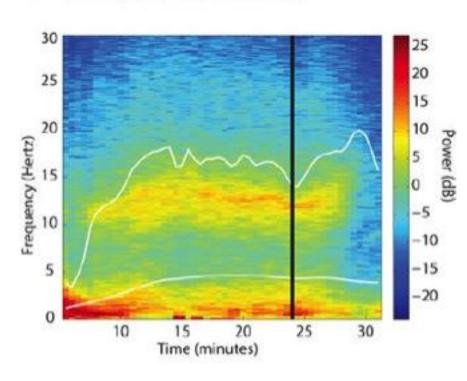




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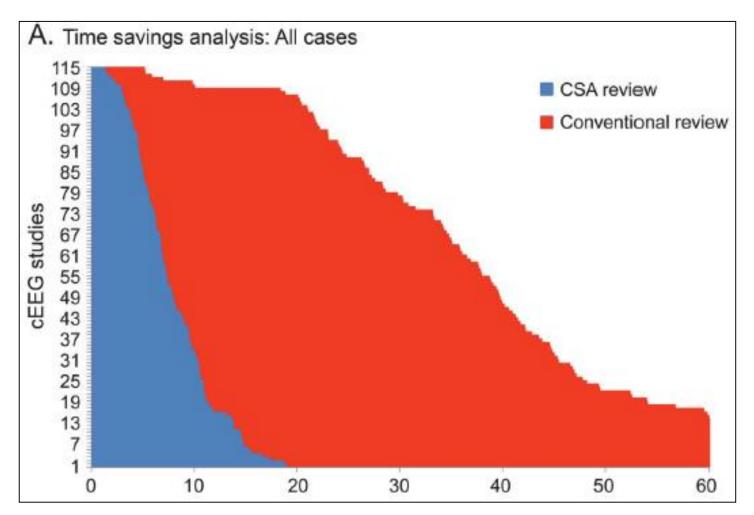
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Frequency (Hz)

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Continuous EEG monitoring of NCS

compressed spectral array VS. conventional





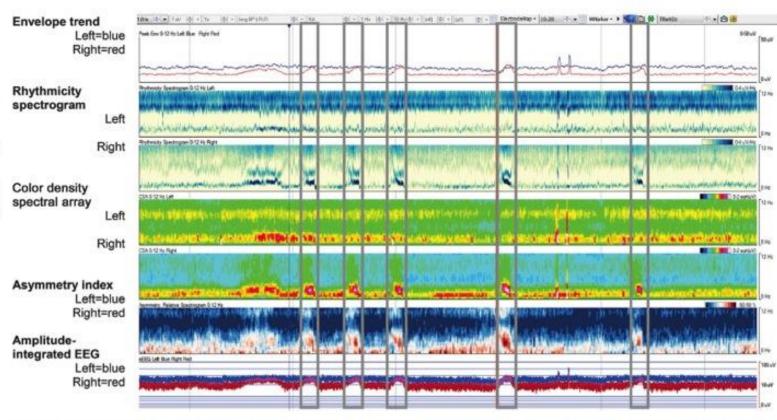


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Sensitivity of quantitative EEG for seizure identification in the intensive care unit

Figure 1 Example of a 1-hour quantitative EEG (QEEG) panel without automated seizure detection (SzD) as viewed by the QEEG and QEEG + raw reviewers



All QEEG analyses are displayed as hemispheric averages with blue representing the left hemisphere and red representing the right hemisphere. Frequency scale ranges from 0 to 12 Hz. This recording contained 5 electrographic seizures (see gray boxes).





Figure 3 Epoch 1: Periodic discharges mimicking electrographic seizures on quantitative EEG (QEEG)

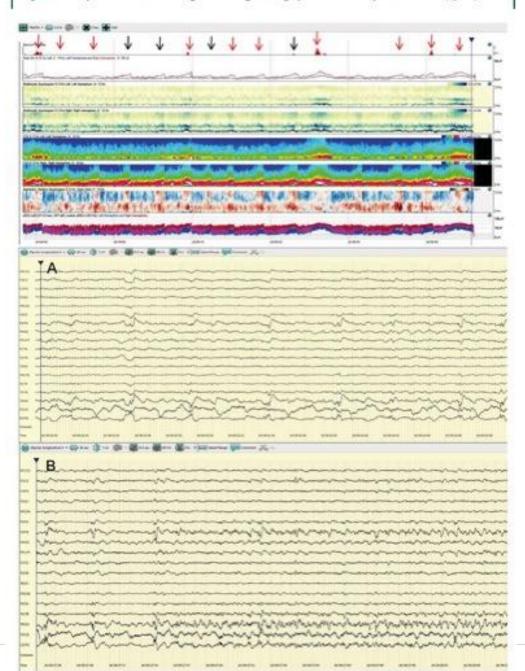
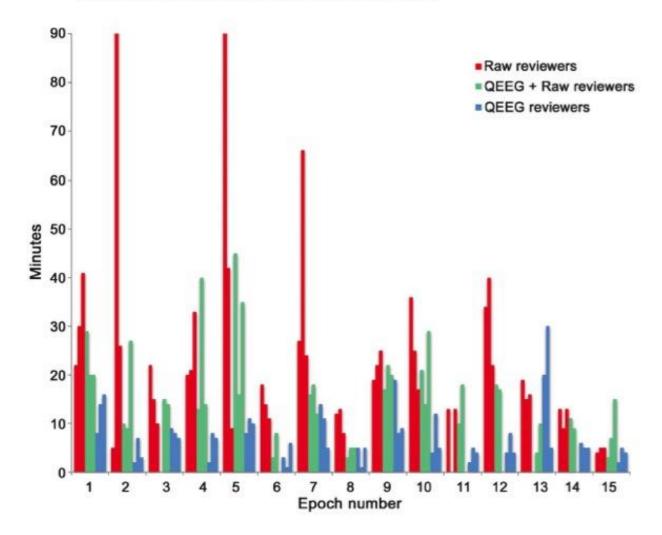






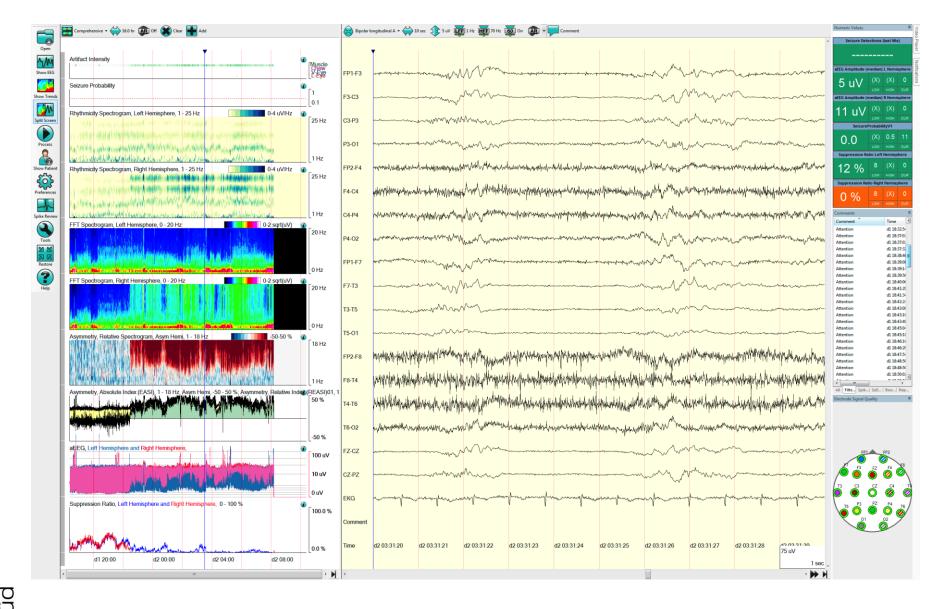
Figure 4 Comparison of reviewing time for reviewers when using raw EEG without quantitative EEG, quantitative EEG with raw EEG, and quantitative EEG alone







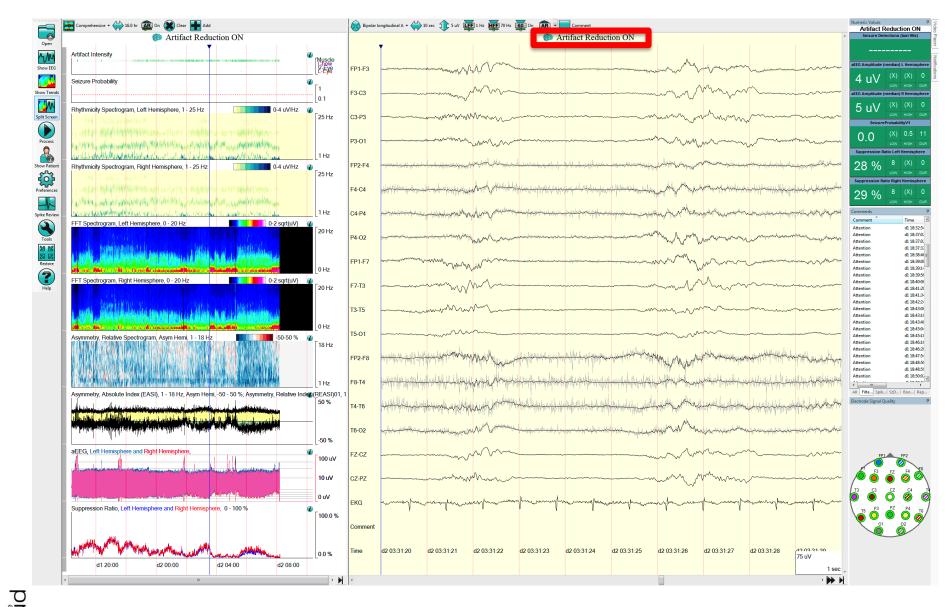


















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Absence of early epileptiform abnormalities predicts lack of seizures on continuous EEG

Diagnosis	Initial EEG or cEEG seizures ^a	
AMS	19/52 (37)	
Brain tumor	1/6 (17)	
CNS infection	2/8 (25)	
CVA	6/17 (35)	
HIE	16/30 (53)	
ICH	6/29 (21)	
Nsgy	2/11 (18)	
Other	6/16 (38)	
SAH	2/15 (13)	
TBI	3/36 (8)	
TME	7/22 (32)	
Total	70 (29)	~ 30%

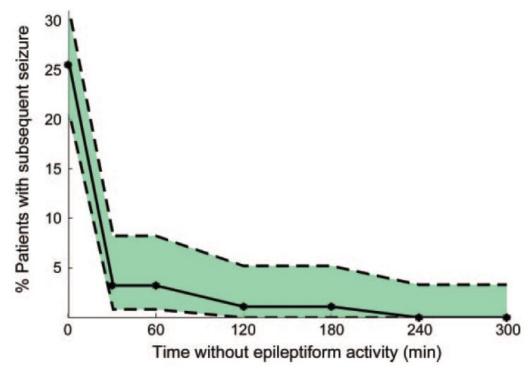




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- ✓ Seizures were later detected in 22% of studies with epileptiform discharges vs. 3% without epileptiform abnormalities on initial EEG (p0.001)
- ✓ In the 3 patients without epileptiform abnormalities on initial EEG but with subsequent seizures, the first epileptiform discharge or electrographic seizure occurred within the first 4 hours of recording

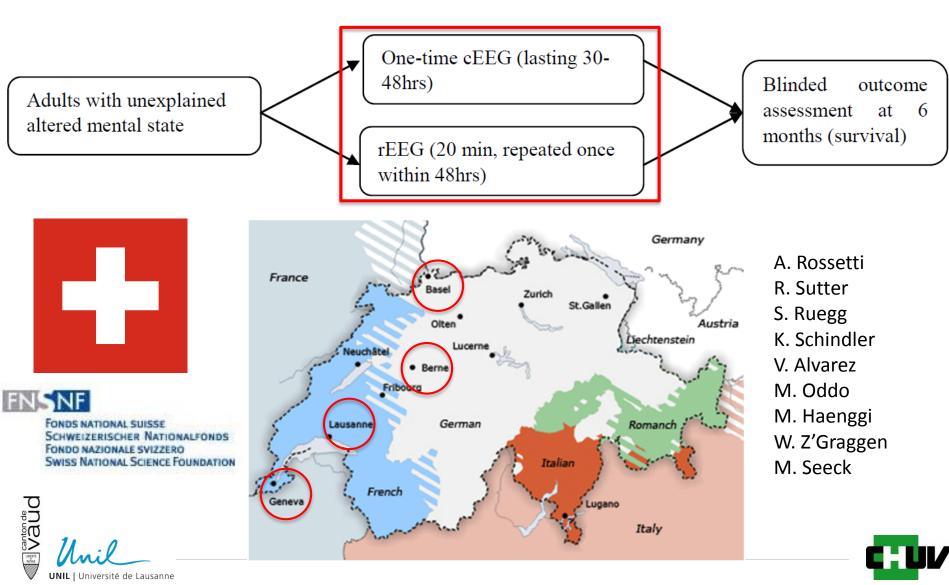
➤ EEG features early in the recording help determine whether extended monitoring is needed







Impact on clinical outcome of continuous EEG monitoring in patients with disorders of consciousness: a randomized controlled trial.



Efficacy of a Reduced Electroencephalography Electrode Array for Detection of Seizures

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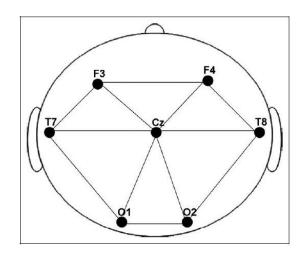


Table 3. Detection of Seizure With Reduced EEG Array by Seizure Type.

	Reviewer I	Reviewer 2	Combined %
Focal (n = 25)	20/25	20/25	80
Generalized (n = 10)	6/10	5/10	55
NCSE $(n = 11)$	6/11	6/11	55
CSE (n = 4)	4/4	2/4	75

□ reduced montage is insufficient for seizure detection





Impact of an ICU EEG monitoring pathway on timeliness of therapeutic intervention and electrographic seizure termination

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Table 2. Components of the intensive care unit continuous EEG monitoring pathway implementation

Multidisciplinary team development

Team composed of electroencephalographers (2), neurology physicians providing care on the Critical Care Neurology Consultation service (2), critical care medicine physician (1), EEG technologists (2), ICU nurses (1), ICU pharmacist (1), quality improvement specialist physician (1), and quality improvement analyst (1).

Team bounded by specific and stable membership, scheduled meetings, unified goal, and time line.

Mandate provided since official institutional quality improvement project.

Staff education

Establishment of multidisciplinary standards for EEG monitoring indications, communication strategies, and management strategies.

Grand Rounds lectures for critical care medicine and neurology services.

Resident and Fellow educational lectures for neurology and critical care medicine trainees during the summer (as new trainees begin).

Discussion of related cases in Multidisciplinary Case Management Conferences.

Bedside teaching for ICU nurses by nurse education team.

Lectures and case discussions for EEG technologists in EEG Review Conference.

Daily work flow modifications

Single easily accessible pathway document guiding care for all involved staff.

EEG monitoring initiation based on critical care medicine recognition of EEG monitoring indication and subsequent order, rather than required neurologic consultation.

Revised EEG monitoring order in electronic medical record, which incorporated related nursing orders addressing button pushes to mark events and medication administration times and additional point-of-care educational materials.

Levetiracetam provided in ICU Pyxis allowing for more rapid administration, since it did not need to be delivered from pharmacy.

Just-in-time education for ICU nurses caring for patients undergoing EEG monitoring provided by EEG technologists using a jointly developed brief paper education book.

New EEG equipment button pads allowing easier bedside documentation of events and medication administrations by ICU nurses by a single button push.

Enhanced role for EEG technologists in screening for seizures and communicating data regarding seizures based on The American Society of Electroneurodiagnostic Technologist's "National Competency Skill Standards for ICU/cEEG Monitoring," which provides for roles in clinical staff education regarding EEG monitoring and communication of convulsive and electrographic seizure event data to encephalographers and other clinicians. ⁴⁰ Prior to pathway initiation, these roles were not converted into standardized institutional standards and EEG technologists had varying understanding of their job expectations and appropriate bounds of practice. After pathway initiation, EEG technologists received extensive education to ensure they were capable of performing these roles and also understood that these roles were within appropriate practice bounds. Involvement of EEG technologists in results communication to critical care medicine fellows.

Unified contact numbers for critical care medicine fellow teams provided at EEG monitoring initiation.

Removal of some trainee physicians (pediatrics residents rotating in the pediatric intensive care unit) from the communication work flow despite a recognized small reduction in educational experience.

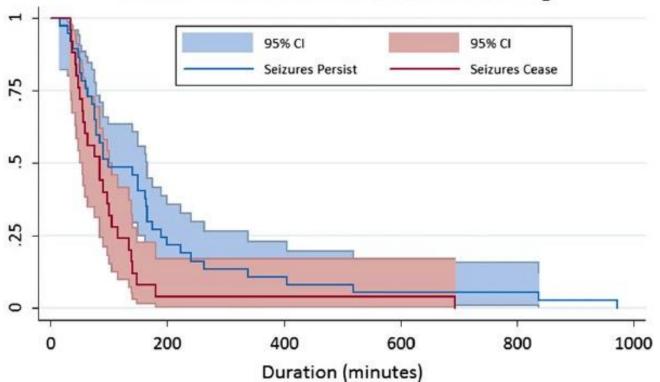
Simplified Citrix-based remote EEG access for EEG attending physicians.

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Seizure Cessation and Medication Timing







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Pediatric ICU EEG Monitoring: Current Resources and Practice in the United States and Canada

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Technologist Availability and Work			U.S.	Canada
	Always available in-hospital	28%	35%	0%
Availability	Always available but sometimes by call-back		52%	46%
	Not always available	21%	13%	54%
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Technologist Work	Technical and EEG Screening	49%	50%	45%





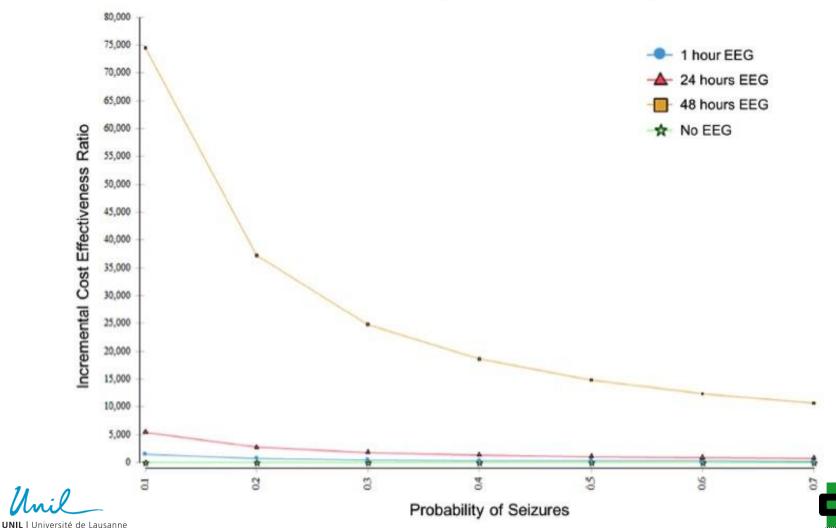
COST-EFFECTIVENESS & IMPACT ON OUTCOME





How much does it cost to identify a critically ill child experiencing electrographic seizures?

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Cost effectiveness analysis of base case values.

Strategy	Cost	Incremental Cost	Effect	Incremental Effect	Incremental Cost Effectiveness Ratio
No EEG	0	18	0	1.5	
1 hour EEG	\$84.69	\$84.69	0.18	0.18	\$465.67
24 hours EEG	\$250.48	\$165.79	0.28	0.1	\$1,665.63
48 hours EEG	\$500.96	\$250.48	0.29	0.01	\$22,648.36





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Continuous and routine EEG in intensive care

Utilization and outcomes, United States 2005–2009

	Continuous EEG monitoring			Routine E	Routine EEG*		
	National totals	No. of hospitals performing	Mean studies per hospital (range) ^b	National totals	No. of hospitals performing	Mean studies per hospital (range)	
2005	552	135	4.0 (1-20)	5,746	595	8.7 (1-100)	
2006	800	167	4.7 (1-34)	6,427	602	9.9 (1-92)	
2007	1,516	213	6.7 (1-58)	7,057	646	9.8 (1-97)	
2008	1,070	189	5.7 (1-29)	8,545	671	11.4 (1-139)	
2009	2,011	244	8.0 (1-69)	7,444	696	9.5 (1-112)	





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	In-hospital mortality, proportion and logistic regression results	Total hospital charges, mean 2009 US dollars, and GLM results as %	Length of stay, mean days and OLS results
Sample-weighted proportions and me	ans		
EEG only (95% CI)	0.39 (0.37, 0.41)	\$167,300 (\$147,000, \$187,700)	18.2 d (17.0, 19.5)
cEEG (95% CI)	0.25 (0.23, 0.28)	\$187,300 (\$160,400, \$214,400)	20.3 d (18.0, 20.3)
Univariate regressions			
β _{cEEQ} (95% CI)	OR = 0.54 (0.45, 0.64)	12% (-4%, 31%)	2.1 d (-0.3, 4.5)
p Values	<0.001	0.16	0.09
Multivariate regressions			
β _{cEEQ} (95% CI)	OR = 0.63 (0.52, 0.76)	5% (-11%, 23%)	0.5 d (-1.5, 2.7)
p Values	<0.001	0.58	0.66



