

# Surgical Management in Temporal Lobe Epilepsies

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# Temporal lobe epilepsy

- Medial temporal lobe epilepsy (MTLE)
  - MTLE- hippocampal sclerosis (HS)
  - MTLE with medial structural lesion other than HS or MRI-negative
- Lateral temporal lobe epilepsy (LTLE)

## ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## Histopathological Findings in Brain Tissue Obtained during Epilepsy Surgery

**Table 2. Summary of the 10 Most Common Histopathological Diagnoses among 9523 Patients Who Underwent Epilepsy Surgery.\***

Diagnosis	Category	Patients with Condition (N=9523) no. (%)	Age at Onset of Seizures years	Duration of Epilepsy years	Localization†	
					lobe	%
Hippocampal sclerosis	Hippocampal sclerosis	3463 (36.4)	11.3±10.1	22.5±12.7	Temporal	100.0
Ganglioglioma	Tumor	986 (10.4)	12.1±10.3	11.4±10.4	Temporal	82.5
Focal cortical dysplasia type II	Malformation of cortical development	859 (9.0)	5.6±6.9	14.0±11.7	Frontal	51.6
No lesion	No lesion	738 (7.7)	13.0±10.6	15.4±10.6	Temporal	67.7
Dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumor	Tumor	565 (5.9)	14.0±10.9	12.0±10.7	Temporal	68.1
Glial scar	Glial scar	461 (4.8)	10.7±10.3	14.8±11.1	Temporal	37.1
Cavernous angioma	Vascular malformation	431 (4.5)	25.4±13.0	12.3±11.2	Temporal	74.7
Mild malformation of cortical development	Malformation of cortical development	279 (2.9)	9.6±10.0	13.7±11.5	Temporal	49.1
Focal cortical dysplasia type I	Malformation of cortical development	268 (2.8)	7.4±9.6	9.3±8.1	Temporal	35.1
Focal cortical dysplasia not otherwise specified	Malformation of cortical development	206 (2.2)	8.0±8.0	13.4±11.5	Temporal	45.1
Total		8256 (86.7)	11.6±10.8	17±12.6	Temporal	71.9

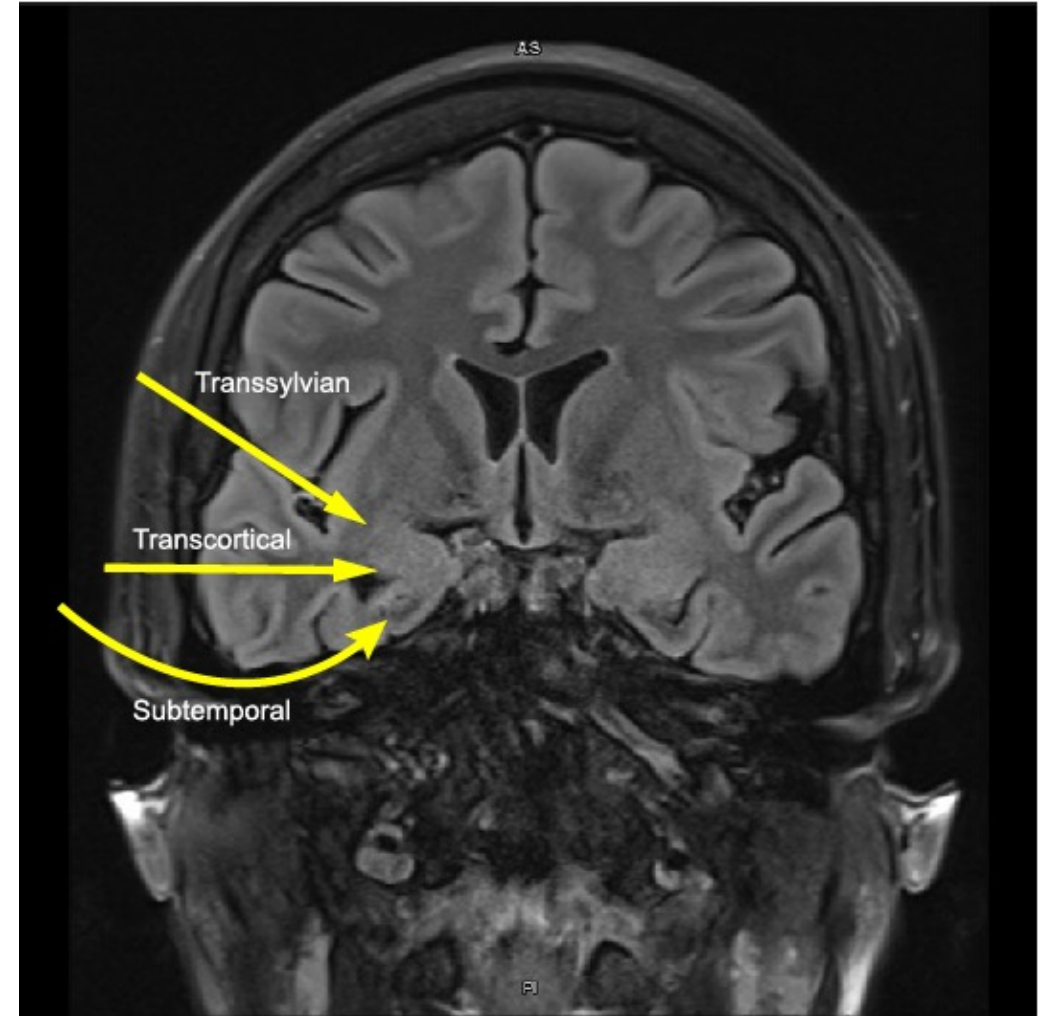
# Treatment options

- Resection
  - Anterior temporal lobectomy (ATL)
  - Selective amygdalohippocampectomy (SelAH)
- Minimally invasive surgery
  - Stereotactic Radiofrequency Thermocoagulation (RF-TG)
  - Laser Interstitial Thermal Therapy (LITT)
  - Stereotactic Radiosurgery (SRS)
  - MR-guided focused ultrasound (MRgFUS)
- Neuromodulation
  - Deep brain stimulation (DBS)
  - Responsive Neurostimulation (RNS)

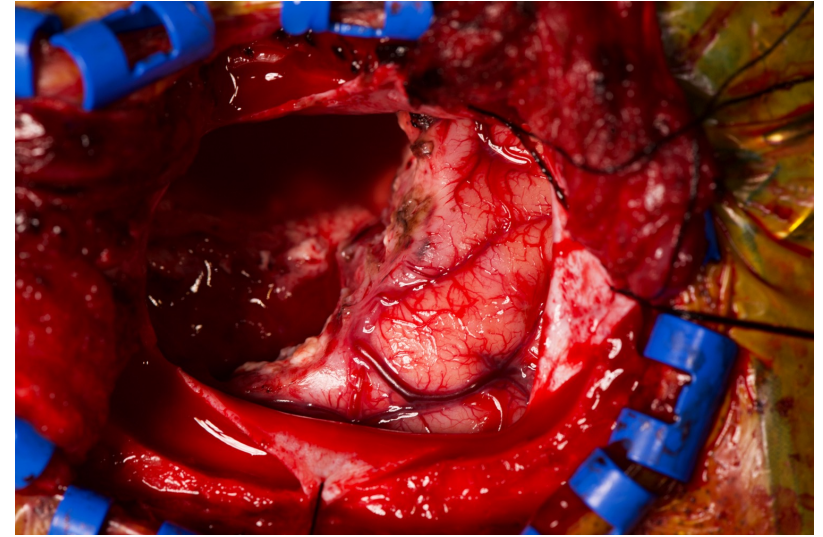
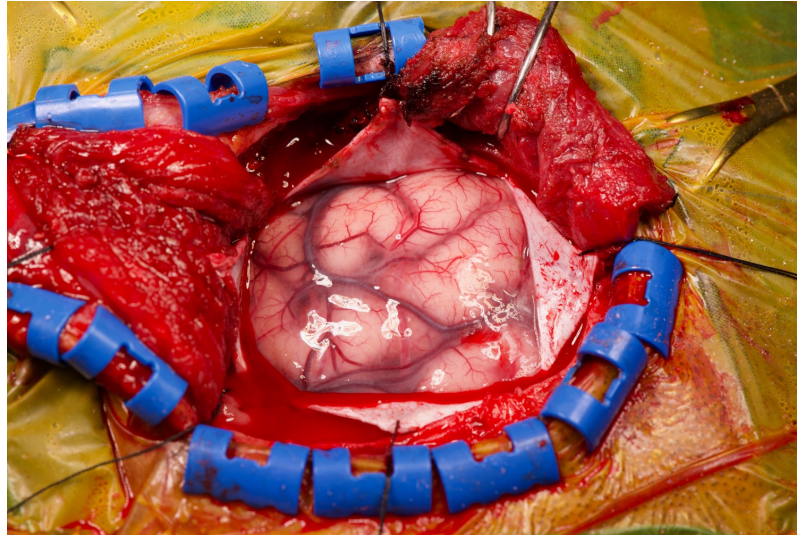


# Resection

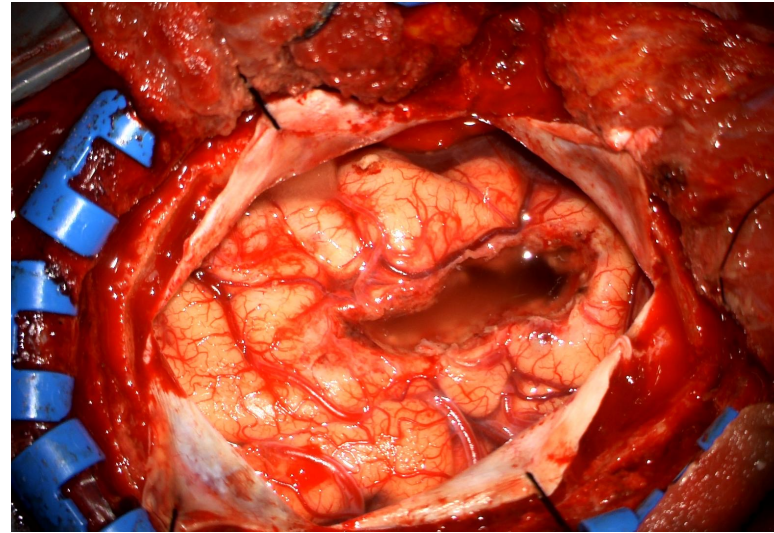
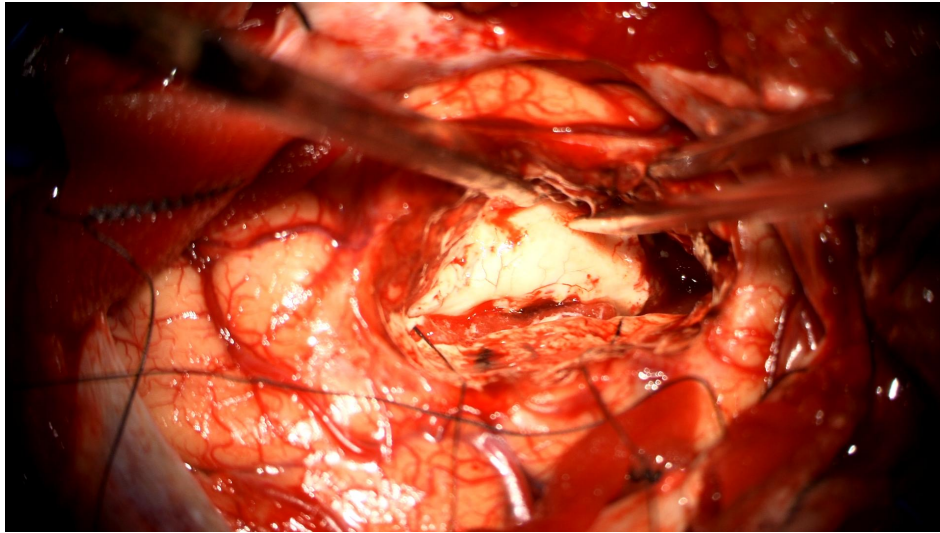
- Temporal lobectomy  
(Corticoamygdalohippocampectomy)
  - Standard temporal lobectomy
  - Anterior temporal lobectomy
- Selective amygdalohippocampectomy (SelAH)
  - Transylvian AH
  - Transcortical AH
  - Subtemporal AH
- Hippocampal transection



# Anterior temporal lobectomy



## Selective Amygdalohippocampectomy (SeIAH)



# ATL vs SeIAH

## Case # 1

- Female 61 years old, teacher
- Seizure onset @ 12 years
- PH: Head injury +ve
- MRI: Left HS
- Video EEG: Left F-T onset

## Case # 2

- Female 32 years old
- Seizure onset @ 12 years
- PH: Family Hx +ve
- MRI: Left HS
- Video EEG: Left F-T onset



Case # 1 61 years old female	
Full IQ	85 (Low average)
Verbal IQ	89 (Low average)
Performance IQ	82 (Low average)
Immediate auditory	105 (Average)
Immediate visual	103 (Average)
Immediate memory	105 (Average)
Auditory delay	111 (High average)
Visual delay	112 (High average)
Auditory recognition	90 (Average)
General memory	108 (Average)
Working memory	102 (Average)

Case # 2 32 years old female	
Full IQ	81 (Low average)
Verbal IQ	74 (Borderline)
Performance IQ	82 (Low average)
Immediate auditory	59 (Extremely low)
Immediate visual	81 (Low average)
Immediate memory	63 (Extremely low)
Auditory delay	64 (Extremely low)
Visual delay	91 (Average)
Auditory recognition	60 (Extremely low)
General memory	69 (Extremely low)
Working memory	105 (Average)

ATL or SelAH

## Anterior temporal lobectomy versus selective amygdalohippocampectomy in patients with mesial temporal lobe epilepsy

Lobectomia temporal anterior versus amigdalohipocampectomia seletiva para epilepsia de lobo temporal mesial

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Long-term seizure outcome after mesial temporal lobe epilepsy surgery: cortical amygdalohippocampectomy versus selective amygdalohippocampectomy

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- Seizure and neuropsychological outcomes did not differ.
- Slight superiority on postoperative verbal memory in SelAH on dominant side

## Selective amygdalohippocampectomy versus standard temporal lobectomy in patients with mesial temporal lobe epilepsy and unilateral hippocampal sclerosis

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- SelAH had better visual, verbal short term memory, long-term, working memory than ATL

## Seizure and memory outcome following temporal lobe surgery: selective compared with nonselective approaches for hippocampal sclerosis

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- Similar favorable seizure control (70%)
- Better chance of memory improvement in verbal memory esp. dominant by transcortical AH

## Memory outcome after temporal lobe epilepsy surgery: corticoamygdalohippocampectomy versus selective amygdalohippocampectomy

### Clinical article

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- Both ATL, SelAH had decreased verbal memory
- Old age, seizure frequency, duration of epilepsy



## Meta-analysis

### Selective amygdalohippocampectomy versus anterior temporal lobectomy in the management of mesial temporal lobe epilepsy: a meta-analysis of comparative studies

A systematic review

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*Conclusions.* Selective amygdalohippocampectomy statistically reduced the odds of being seizure free compared with ATL, but the clinical significance of this reduction needs to be further validated by well-designed randomized trials. Selective amygdalohippocampectomy did not have better outcomes than ATL with respect to intelligence. (<http://thejns.org/doi/abs/10.3171/2013.8.JNS121854>)

### Systematic review and meta-analysis of standard vs selective temporal lobe epilepsy surgery



**Conclusions:** Standard ATL confers an improved chance of achieving freedom from disabling seizures in patients with TLE. Improved seizure freedom must be balanced against the neuropsychological impact of each procedure. A randomized controlled trial is justified. *Neurology*® 2013;80:1669-1676

## Epilepsy

RESEARCH PAPER

### Systematic review and network meta-analysis of resective surgery for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy

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**Conclusion** Direct evidence, indirect evidence and NMA did not identify a difference in seizure-free outcome of ATL versus SAH.

# Predictive factors

- **Epilepsy duration** is the most important predictor for long-term surgical outcome (Jansky J. Brain 2005)
  - Surgery for TLE-HS should be performed as early as possible
- History of **status epilepticus**, Preoperative use of intracranial EEG (Mathon B. Epilepsia 2017)
- History of **febrile seizure**, ATL predicted good outcome, Dysmnestic and olfactory aura predicted unfavorable outcome (Dalio MTRP. Front Neurol 2022)
- Secondarily generalized tonic-clonic seizures (**2nd GTC**) (Henessy MJ. Acta Neurol Scand 2001)
- **Unilateral MRI abnormality** (Arruda F. Ann Neurol 1996)

# Outcomes

	1 year (n=8247)	2 years (n=8191)	5 years (n=5577)
Hippocampal sclerosis	76.0% (74-78; 2359/3103)	71.5% (70-73; 2108/2948)	70.3% (68-72; 1471/2092)
LEAT	80.3% (78-82; 1063/1323)	77.5% (75-80; 1027/1325)	75.9% (73-79; 681/897)
LGNET	71.6% (60-81; 58/81)	70.6% (61-79; 72/102)	68.9% (57-79; 53/74)
DNET	77.7% (74-81; 390/502)	74.8% (71-79; 362/484)	74.6% (70-79; 256/343)
Ganglioglioma	83.1% (80-86; 557/670)	80.4% (77-83; 540/672)	77.4% (73-81; 336/434)
LEAT-other	82.9% (72-90; 58/70)	79.1% (67-88; 53/67)	82.6% (68-92; 38/46)
FCD type II	69.4% (66-73; 496/715)	64.9% (62-68; 517/796)	67.4% (63-71; 370/549)
No lesion	60.2% (56-64; 435/723)	53.5% (50-57; 396/740)	51.2% (47-56; 247/482)
Gliosis	60.3% (56-64; 330/547)	53.2% (49-57; 311/585)	51.1% (46-56; 182/356)
Normal tissue	59.7% (52-67; 105/176)	54.8% (47-63; 85/155)	51.6% (43-61; 65/126)
Vascular malformation	77.1% (73-81; 357/463)	74% (70-78; 328/443)	72.2% (67-77; 205/284)
Vascular-other	72.5% (63-80; 87/120)	65.8% (57-74; 79/120)	61.6% (50-72; 53/86)
Cavernoma	78.7% (74-83; 270/343)	77.1% (72-81; 249/323)	76.8% (70-82; 152/198)
FCD type I and mild MCD	54.7% (49-60; 198/362)	50% (45-55; 213/426)	51.9% (46-58; 153/295)
Mild MCD	50.3% (42-59; 74/147)	45.5% (38-53; 81/178)	48.9% (40-57; 68/139)
FCD type I	57.7% (51-64; 124/215)	53.2% (47-60; 132/248)	54.5% (46-62; 85/156)
MCD-other	53.4% (48-58; 220/412)	52.3% (47-57; 212/405)	51.2% (45-57; 148/289)
Hypothalamic hamartoma	43.2% (34-52; 54/125)	43% (34-53; 46/107)	49.3% (38-61; 36/73)
Tuber	52.1% (43-61; 62/119)	50% (41-59; 58/116)	45.4% (35-56; 44/97)
Other	61.9% (54-69; 104/168)	59.3% (52-66; 108/182)	57.1% (48-66; 68/119)
FCD-not otherwise specified	71.3% (67-76; 303/425)	69.7% (65-74; 288/413)	59.5% (52-66; 122/205)
Non-LEAT	72.3% (67-77; 251/347)	68.4% (63-73; 212/310)	67.6% (61-74; 152/225)
Oligodendroglioma	67.2% (58-75; 80/119)	66.4% (56-75; 71/107)	67.9% (56-78; 55/81)
Tumour-other	75.0% (69-80; 171/228)	69.5% (63-76; 141/203)	67.4% (59-75; 97/144)
Gilal scar	62.1% (56-68; 149/240)	59.4% (53-65; 155/261)	56.1% (48-64; 96/171)
Encephalitis	67.2% (58-75; 90/134)	59.7% (50-68; 74/124)	54.5% (44-65; 48/88)
Encephalitis-other	51.8% (38-65; 29/56)	42.3% (29-57; 22/52)	50% (34-66; 18/36)
Rasmussen	78.2% (67-86; 61/78)	72.2% (60-82; 52/72)	57.7% (43-71; 30/52)
Total	71.8% (71-73; 5921/8247)	67.5% (66-69; 5530/8191)	66.2% (65-67; 3693/5577)

Data are % (95% CI; n/N). Freedom from disabling seizures defined as Engel class I. LEAT=low-grade epilepsy associated neuroepithelial tumour. LGNET=low-grade neuroepithelial tumour. DNET=dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumour. FCD=focal cortical dysplasia. MCD=malformation of cortical development.

**Table 2: Freedom from disabling seizures at 1, 2, and 5 years after surgery, by histopathological diagnosis**

	1 year (n=5861)	2 years (n=5461)	5 years (n=3753)
Hippocampal sclerosis	5.5% (5-7; 123/2228)	13.2% (12-15; 257/1940)	32.8% (30-35; 423/1290)
LEAT	5.2% (4-7; 48/924)	22.9% (20-26; 205/896)	47.1% (43-51; 288/612)
LGNET	4.9% (1-18; 2/41)	17.7% (10-30; 11/62)	42.3% (29-57; 22/52)
DNET	6.9% (5-10; 27/392)	21.4% (17-26; 74/346)	44.7% (38-51; 109/244)
Ganglioglioma	3.9% (2-6; 18/458)	25.2% (21-29; 115/457)	51.0% (45-57; 149/292)
LEAT-other	3.0% (0-18; 1/33)	16.1% (6-34; 5/31)	33.3% (16-55; 8/24)
FCD type II	5.8% (4-8; 29/504)	15.8% (13-19; 86/545)	34.9% (30-40; 147/421)
No lesion	3.4% (2-5; 20/593)	10.4% (8-13; 61/584)	20.2% (16-25; 77/381)
Gliosis	3.1% (2-5; 14/454)	10.6% (8-14; 50/470)	22.1% (18-27; 65/294)
Normal tissue	4.3% (2-10; 6/139)	9.6% (5-17; 11/114)	13.8% (8-23; 12/87)
Vascular malformation	6.7% (4-10; 21/315)	24.8% (20-30; 74/298)	36.6% (30-44; 70/191)
Vascular-other	11.5% (6-21; 10/87)	27.4% (18-38; 23/84)	36.5% (25-50; 23/63)
Cavernoma	4.8% (3-9; 11/228)	23.8% (18-30; 51/214)	36.7% (29-46; 47/128)
FCD type I and mild MCD	1.6% (0-4; 4/258)	7.1% (4-11; 19/268)	19.5% (15-25; 43/221)
Mild MCD	0 (0-5; 0/102)	9.3% (5-16; 11/118)	25.3% (17-35; 25/99)
FCD type I	2.6% (1-7; 4/156)	5.3% (3-11; 8/150)	14.8% (9-23; 18/122)
MCD-other	9.3% (6-14; 23/247)	20.3% (15-26; 44/217)	30.1% (23-38; 52/173)
Hypothalamic hamartoma	16.4% (9-28; 11/67)	19.6% (10-34; 9/46)	21.2% (10-39; 7/33)
Tuber	3.1% (1-12; 2/64)	11.3% (5-22; 7/62)	21.6% (12-36; 11/51)
Other	8.6% (4-16; 10/116)	25.7% (18-35; 28/109)	38.2% (28-49; 34/89)
FCD-not otherwise specified	6.4% (4-10; 20/314)	19.7% (15-25; 59/300)	37% (29-45; 57/154)
Non-LEAT	6.5% (4-11; 16/246)	19.5% (14-26; 40/205)	32.9% (26-41; 50/152)
Oligoastrocytoma	6.8% (3-15; 6/88)	14.7% (8-25; 11/75)	31.2% (21-44; 20/64)
Tumour-other	6.3% (3-12; 10/158)	22.3% (16-31; 29/130)	34.1% (25-45; 30/88)
Gilal scar	5.6% (3-11; 8/144)	12.3% (7-20; 16/130)	24.3% (17-34; 25/103)
Encephalitis	12.5% (7-22; 11/88)	25.6% (17-37; 20/78)	32.7% (21-47; 18/55)
Encephalitis-other	10.3% (3-28; 3/29)	21.4% (9-41; 6/28)	15.8% (4-40; 3/19)
Rasmussen	13.6% (6-26; 8/59)	28% (17-43; 14/50)	41.7% (26-59; 15/36)
Total	5.5% (5-6; 323/5861)	16.1% (15-17; 881/5461)	33.3% (32-35; 1250/3753)

Data are % (95% CI; n/N). Freedom from disabling seizures defined as Engel class I. LEAT=low-grade epilepsy associated neuroepithelial tumour. LGNET=low-grade neuroepithelial tumour. DNET=dysembryoplastic neuroepithelial tumour. FCD=focal cortical dysplasia. MCD=malformation of cortical development.

**Table 3: Freedom from disabling seizures (Engel class I) and complete discontinuation of antiepileptic drugs at 1, 2, and 5 years after surgery, by histopathological diagnosis**

# Outcomes after Temporal Lobectomy for Temporal Lobe Epilepsy with Hippocampal Sclerosis

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## Long-Term Seizure Outcome after Temporal Lobectomy for Hippocampal Sclerosis

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**Table 2.** The number of patients and seizure outcomes in longitudinal follow-up

Years of follow-up	Seizure free n (%)	Not seizure free n (%)	Total
5	93 (83.0)	19 (17.0)	112
6	78 (82.1)	17 (17.9)	95
7	70 (80.5)	17 (19.5)	87
8	57 (76.0)	18 (24.0)	75
9	41 (77.4)	12 (22.6)	53
10	32 (74.4)	11 (25.6)	43
11	3 (100)	-	3

**Results:** Sixty one patients (54.5%) were seizure free for the entire period after surgery. One hundred patients (89.3%) were seizure free for at least two years at the last follow-up. Forty three patients (38.4%) were able to stop antiepileptic medications. The mean follow-up was 8.1±1.9 years (range 5 to 11 years). A preoperative secondarily generalized tonic-clonic seizure was predictor for poor seizure outcome.

# Complications

## Complications After Surgery for Mesial Temporal Lobe Epilepsy Associated with Hippocampal Sclerosis

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**Table 6.** Morbidity and Mortality of MTLE Surgery: Literature Review

Reference (Period)	Institution	Surgical Approach	Number	Complications Overall/ Major/Permanent	Death
Rydenhag <sup>11</sup> (1990–1995)	Swedish National Epilepsy Surgery Register, Sweden	ATL	168	12.4%/2.9%/?	0%
Behrens <sup>12</sup> (1987–1997)	University of Bonn, Bonn, Germany	ts SAH	279	?/4.7%/2.3%	0%
Salanova <sup>13</sup> (1984–1999)	Indiana University, Indianapolis, Indiana, USA	?	104	9.5%/5.8%/1.3%	0%
Sindou <sup>14</sup> (1994–2003)	Pierre Wertheimer Hospital, Lyon, France	ATL, ts SAH	100	19.0%/7.0%/2.0%	0%
Bate <sup>15</sup> (1996–2004)	Walton Centre, Liverpool, GB	SAH, ATL	114	10.5%/6.1%/2.6%	0%
Tanriverdi <sup>16</sup> (1976–2006)	MNI, Montreal, Canada	?	1232	5.5%/2.8%/?	0%
Bandt <sup>17</sup> (1997–2007)	Washington University, St Louis, MO, USA	tcT2 SAH	76	?/3.0%/0.0%	0%
Iachinski <sup>18</sup> (1998–2010)	Curitiba Institute, Curitiba, Brazil	ATL	67	17.9%/13.4%/0.0%	0%
Vale <sup>3</sup> (1998–2012)	University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, USA	tcT3 SAH	483	?/2.7%/0.2%	0%
Yang <sup>19</sup> (2004–2012)	Fuzhou General Hospital, Fuzhou, China	CAH	683	?/1.8%/?	0%
Josephson <sup>20</sup> (1997–2012)	Meta-analysis (5 studies)	SAH	309	?/?/0.0–3.1%	?
		ATL	392	?/?/0.0–2.4%	
Current series (1990–2015)	La Pitié-Salpêtrière University Hospital, Paris, France	<b>Total</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>15.4%/4.1%/0.5%</b>	<b>0%</b>
		tcT1 SAH	144	12.5%/2.1%/0.0%	
		ts SAH	36	16.7%/2.8%/0.0%	
		ATL	209	17.2%/5.7%/1.0%	

The boldface in the footnote is the result of our series compared to the literature.

ATL, anterior lobectomy; ts, transylvian; SAH, selective amygdalohippocampectomy; tc, transcortical; T2, middle temporal gyrus; T3, inferior temporal gyrus; CAH, cortico-amygdalohippocampectomy; T1, superior temporal gyrus; ?, not applicable.



# Complications of Epilepsy Surgery: Prasat Neurological Institute Experiences

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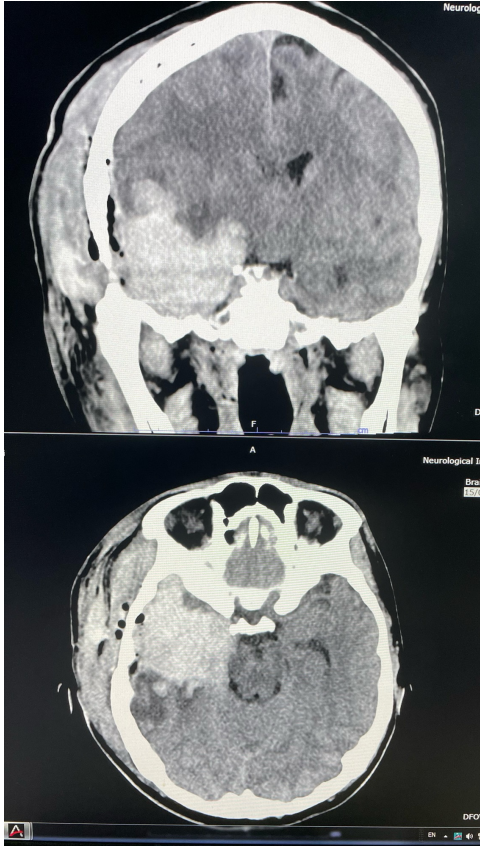
**Table 1.** Operative procedures and type of complications

Type of surgery	Total n	Surgical complications, n (%)	Transient neurological complications, n (%)	Permanent neurological complications, n (%)
Temporal lobe surgery	125			
Temporal lobectomy + mesial structures	107 (100)	14 (13.1)	9 (8.4)	3 (2.8)
Temporal lobectomy sparing mesial structures	2 (100)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Selective amygdalohippocampectomy	4 (100)	2 (50.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)
Lesionectomy/corticectomy	12 (100)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)	0 (0.0)

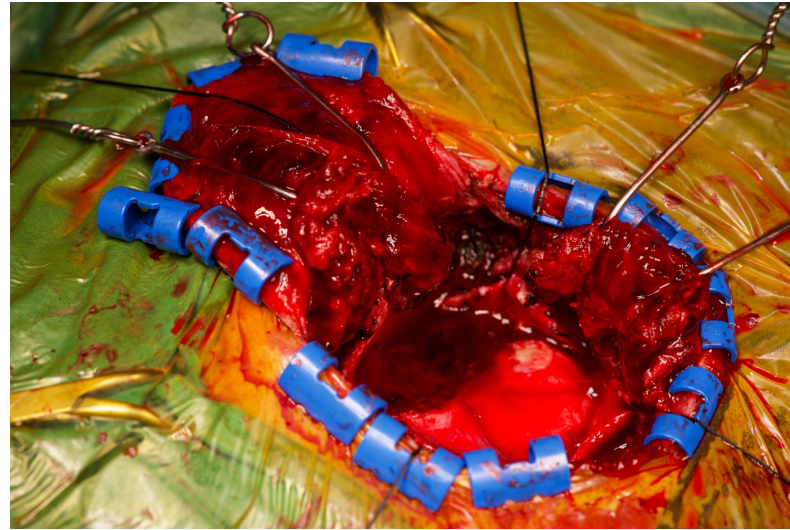
**Table 2.** Complications after 199 therapeutic surgical procedures

Type of operations	Surgical complications (n)	Transient neurological complications (n)	Permanent neurological complications (n)
TL + mesial	- Infection 11 (meningitis 10, bone flap infection 1) - Hematoma 4 (CSDH 1, ICH 3) - CSF rhinorrhea 1 - Subdural hygroma - Upper GI bleeding 1 - Drug induced hepatitis 1	- Hemiparesis 2 - Dysphasia 1 - CN paresis (CN IV 2, CN VII branch 1)	- Hemiparesis 2 - Dysphasia 2 - Numbness 1
TL excluding mesial	-	-	- Dysphasia 1
Selective AH	- Drug allergy 1	-	-

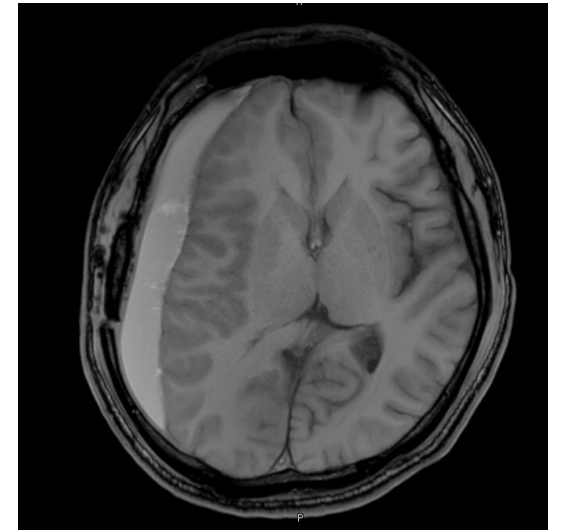
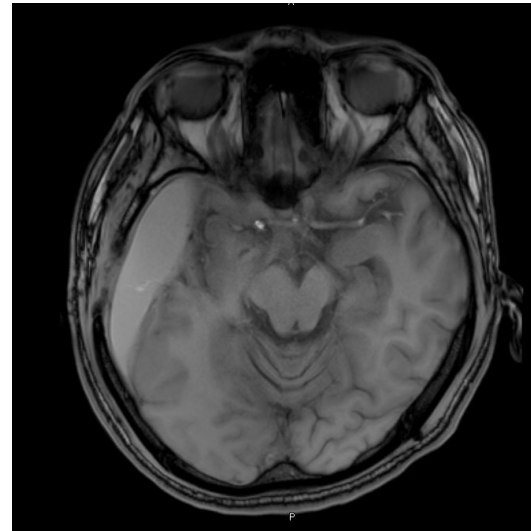
# Complications



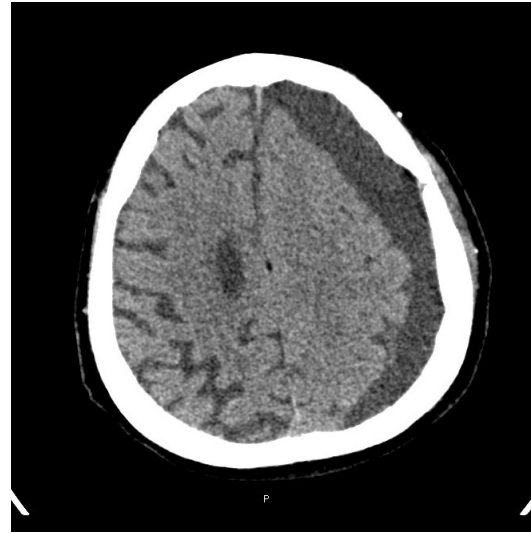
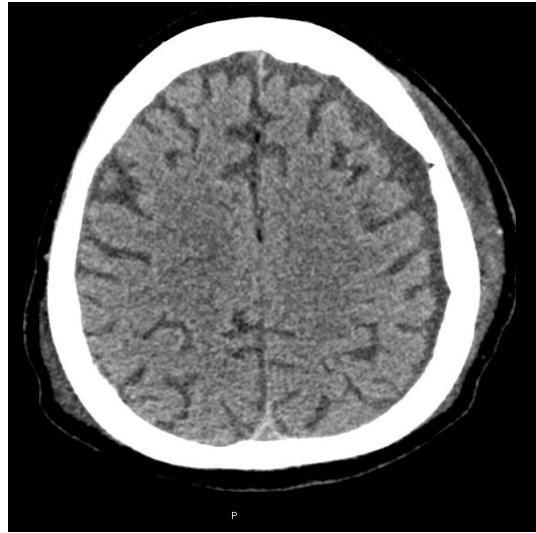
Chronic subdural hematoma



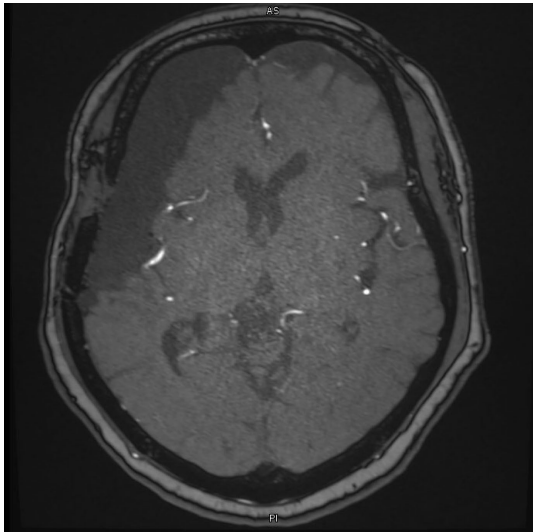
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# Complications

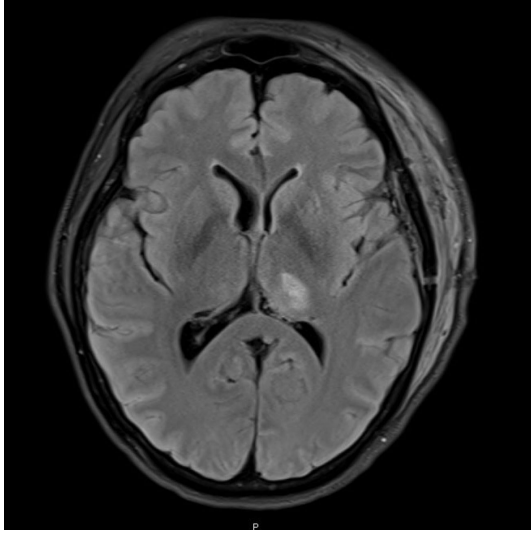


Subdural hygroma





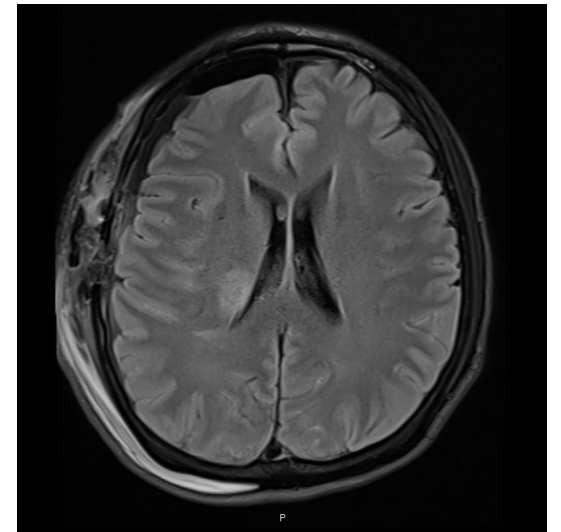
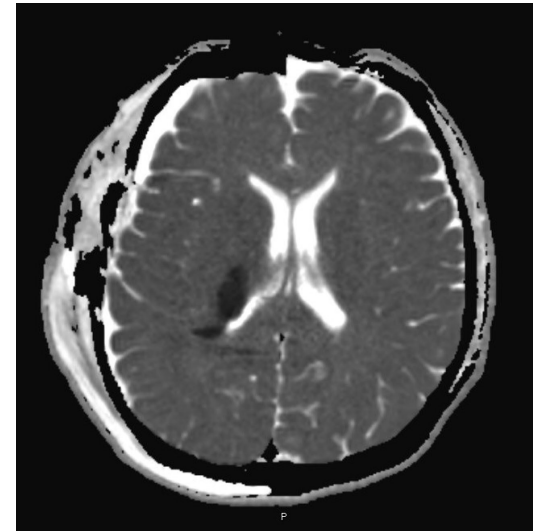
# Complications



Right sided numbness

Ischemia

Left leg weakness



# Outcome

## Case #1 SelAH

- Immediate postop motor aphasia
- Gradually improved
- Seizure free 1 year
- Postop EEG: Sharp wave left F-T

- Case # 2
- No complications
- Seizure free 1 year



## Patient attitudes

- 62% of patients would only consider open surgery as a last option
- Brain surgery having a mean dangerousness of 8.3/10 among epilepsy patients
- 51% of the patient would not consider the treatment even if it was guaranteed to stop their seizures without causing any deficits

## Physician attitudes

# Ablative Surgery

Stereotactic radiofrequency thermocoagulation

## Different Surgical Approaches for Mesial Temporal Epilepsy: Resection Extent, Seizure, and Neuropsychological Outcomes

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- Stereotactic radiofrequency amygdalohippocampectomy (SAHE) vs Standard temporal lobectomy (TL)
- No difference in seizure free outcome 76%
- Good neuropsychological outcomes in SAHE



## Stereotactic radiofrequency amygdalohippocampectomy: Two years of good neuropsychological outcomes

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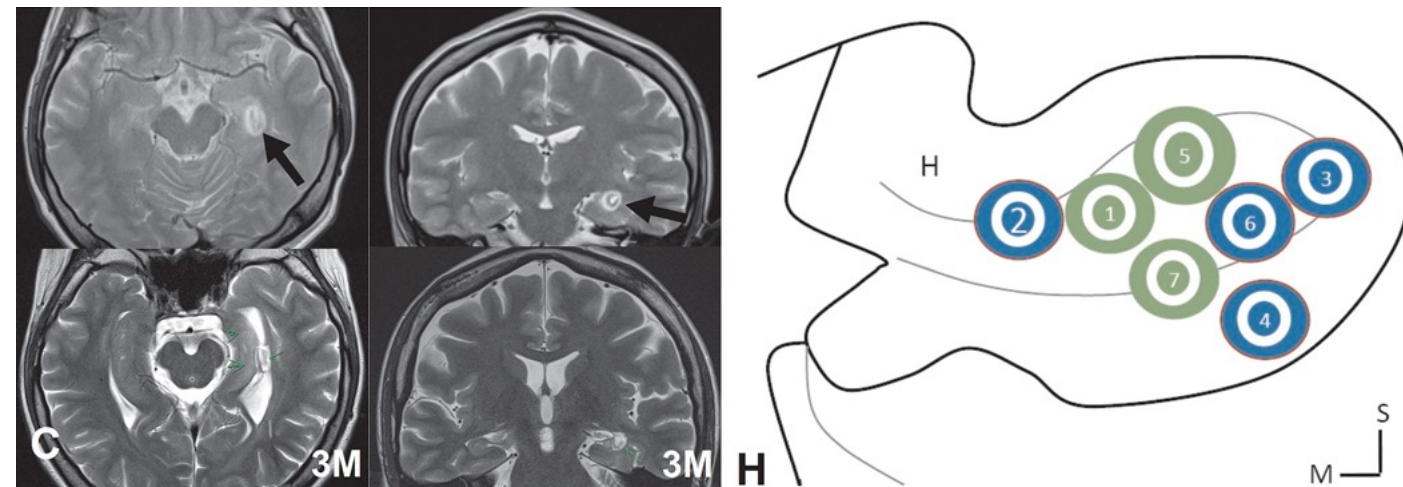
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**Efficacy of limited hippocampal radiofrequency thermocoagulation for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy**

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- MTLE (HS 1/7)
- Mean seizure reduction 78%
- Seizure free 57% (FU 6 months)
- Good outcome correlated with location of RFTC target (dentate)
- Preservation of IQ, memory



# SEEG-guided radiofrequency thermocoagulation

- No additional bleeding risk
- Accurate targeting seizure onset zone (previously delineated by intracranial recording)
- Multiple lesions can be performed
- Functional mapping through direct electrical stimulation on SEEG (anticipate possible adverse effects)
- Cognitive outcome, visual field

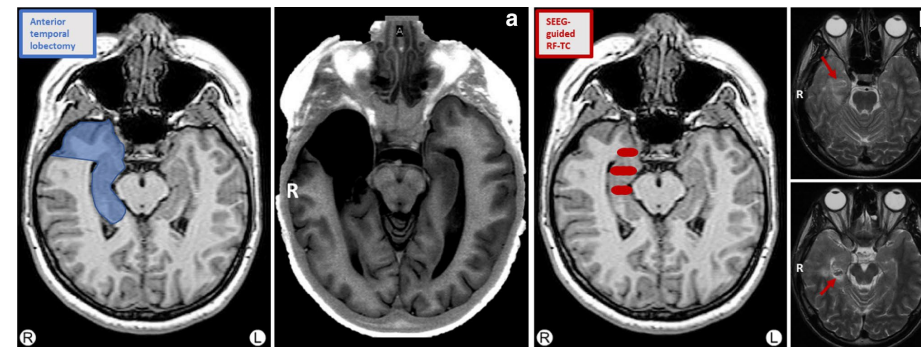




## SEEG-guided radiofrequency coagulation (SEEG-guided RF-TC) versus anterior temporal lobectomy (ATL) in temporal lobe epilepsy

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- None of SEEG-guide RF-TC patients group was seizure free
- ATL group 75.5% seizure free
- No memory impairment following SEEG-guided RF-TC
- MTLE (various etiologies)



## Optimized SEEG-guided radiofrequency thermocoagulation for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy with hippocampal sclerosis

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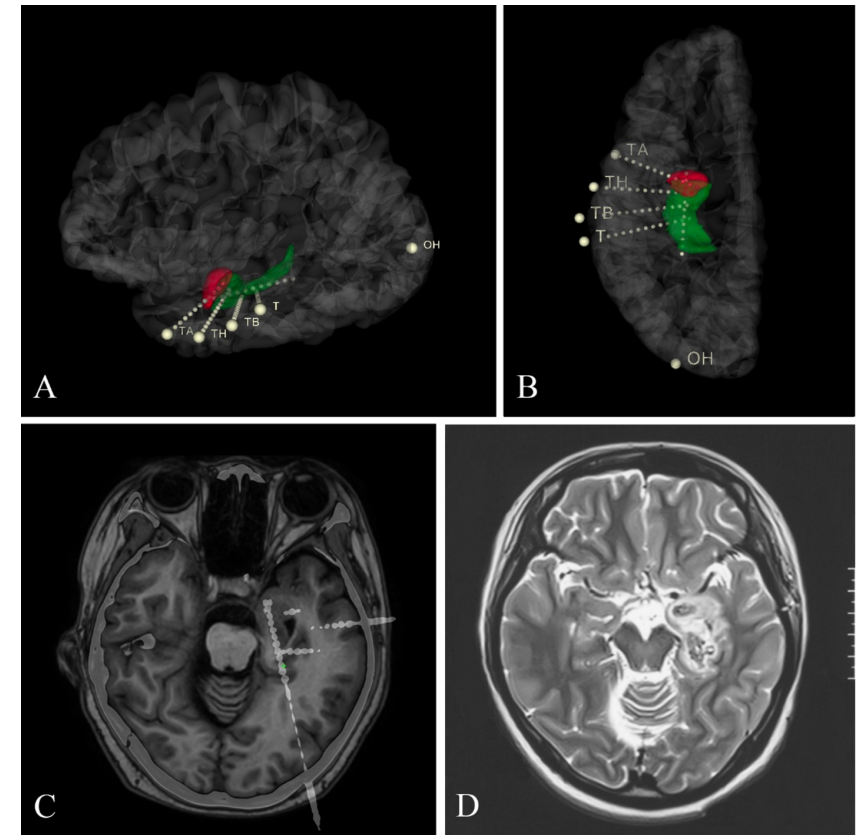
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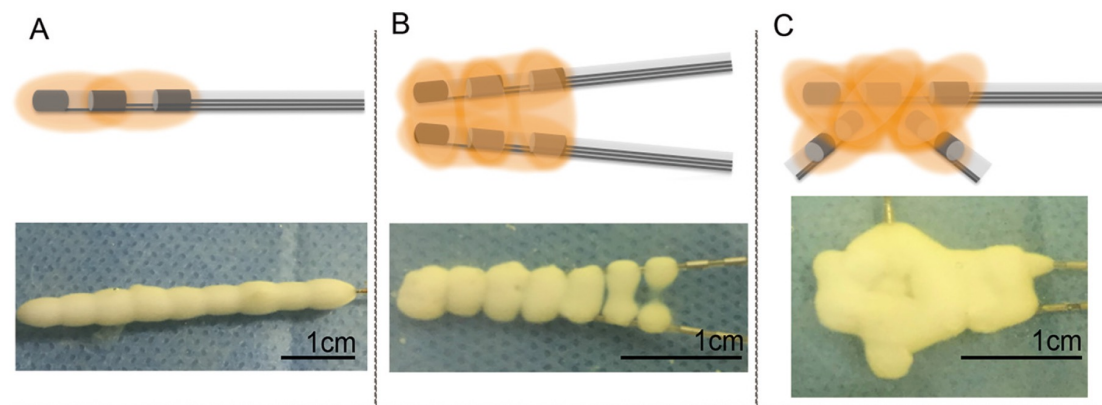
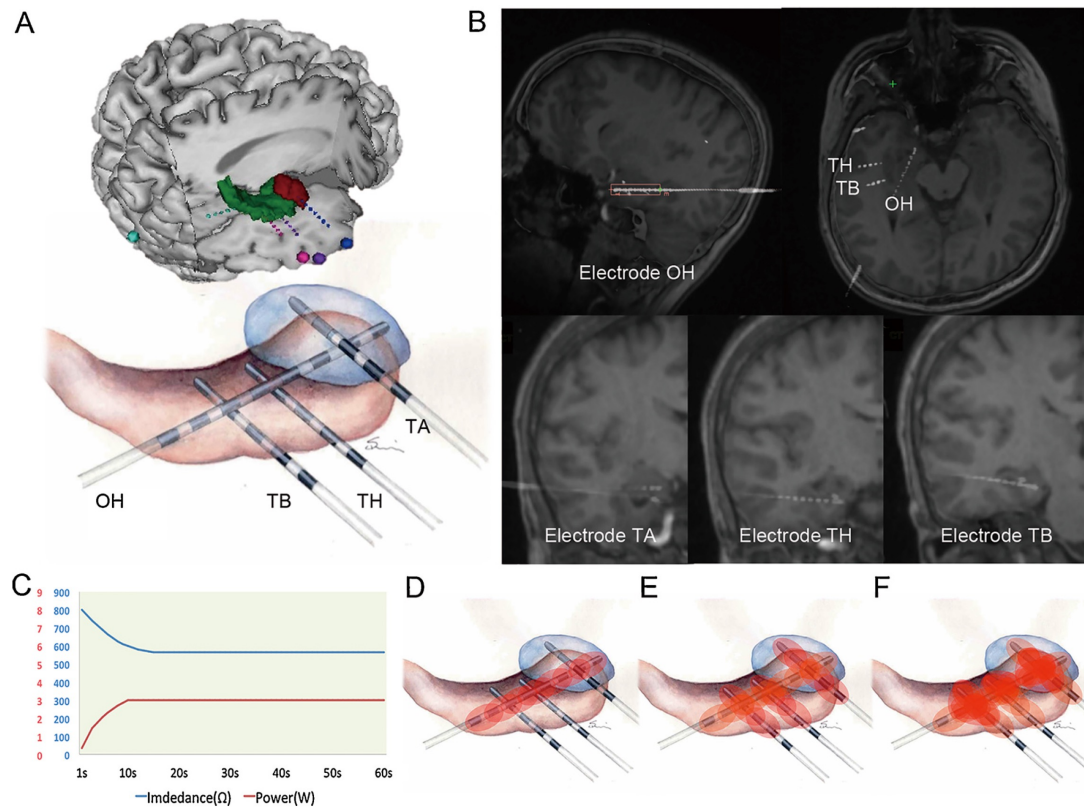
- 95.2% patient had >90% decrease in seizure frequency, (Engel I 76.2%) @ 12 months
- Thermocoagulation versus anterior temporal lobectomy for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy with hippocampal sclerosis (STARTS)



## Stereotactic EEG-guided radiofrequency thermocoagulation versus anterior temporal lobectomy for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy with hippocampal sclerosis: study protocol for a randomised controlled trial

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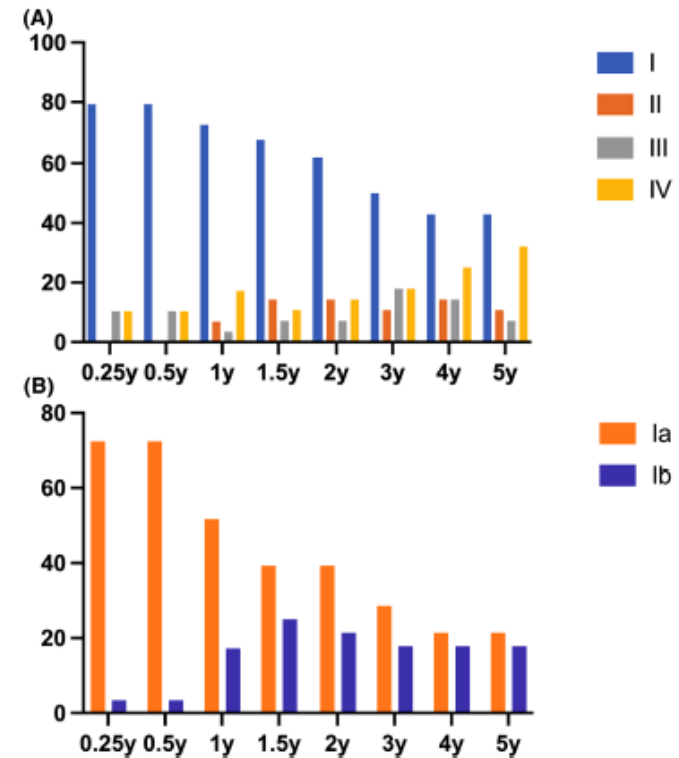
SEEG-guided three dimensional cross bonding RF-TC

## Stereo-electroencephalography-guided three-dimensional radiofrequency thermocoagulation for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy with hippocampal sclerosis: A retrospective study with long-term follow-up

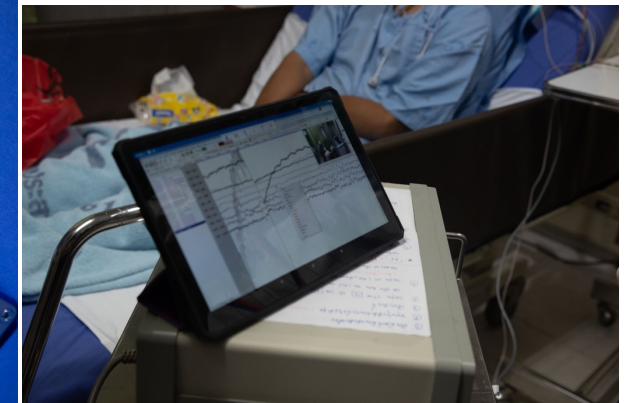
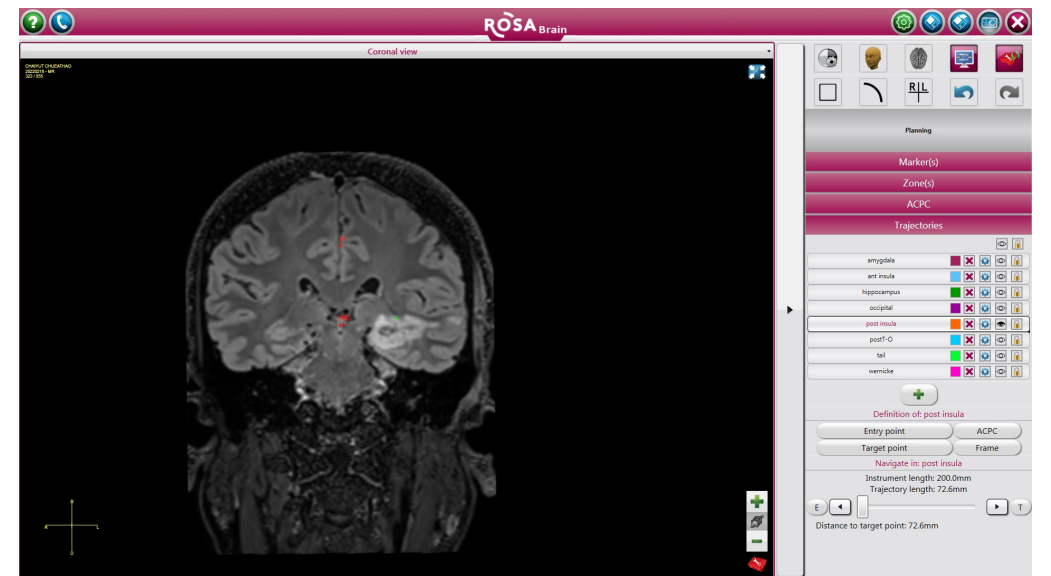
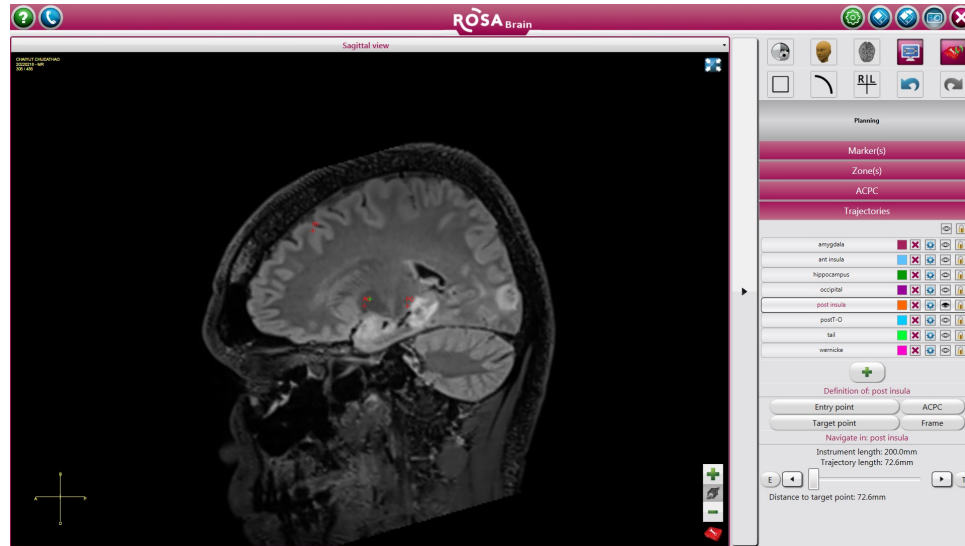
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### Engel I

- 72.41% (12 months)
- 67.86% (18 months)
- 62.07% (24 months)
- 50.00% (36 months)
- 42.86% (48 months)
- 42.86% (60 months)

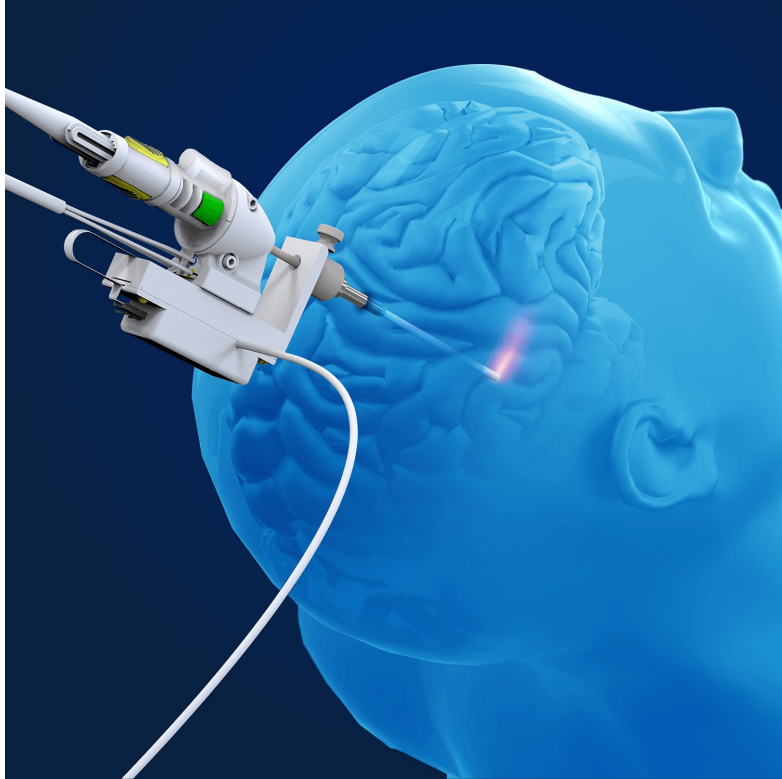






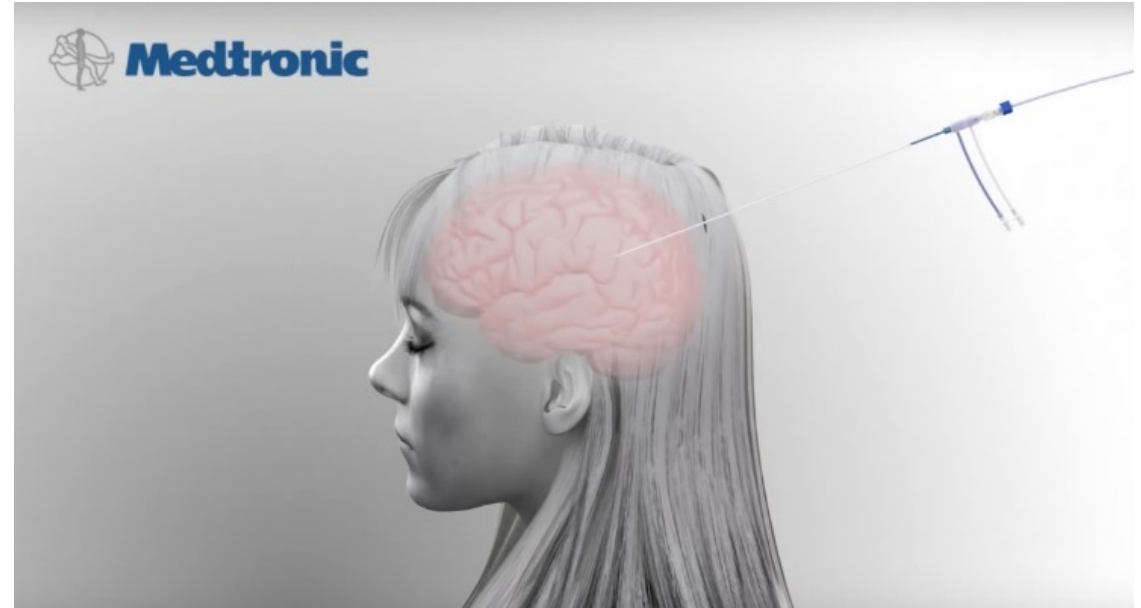
SEEG guided thermocoagulation

MRI guided Laser Interstitial thermal therapy  
(MRgLITT)



## NeuroBlade (Monteris)

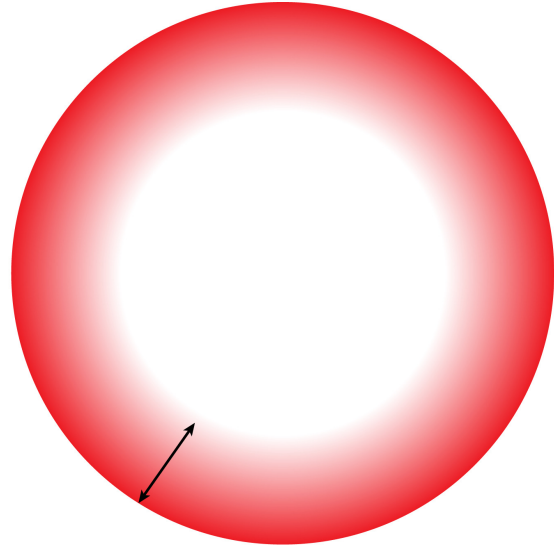
6 mm cylindrical tip, or side fire tip  
CO<sub>2</sub> coolant



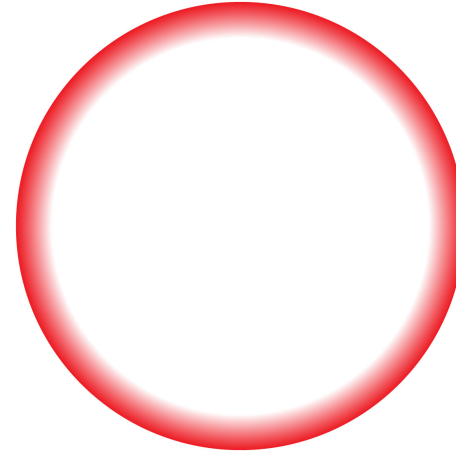
## Visualase (Medtronic)

3- or 10 mm cylindrical tip  
Saline coolant

Transition zone between dead and viable tissue



Radiofrequency (5-10 mm)



Laser (<1 mm)

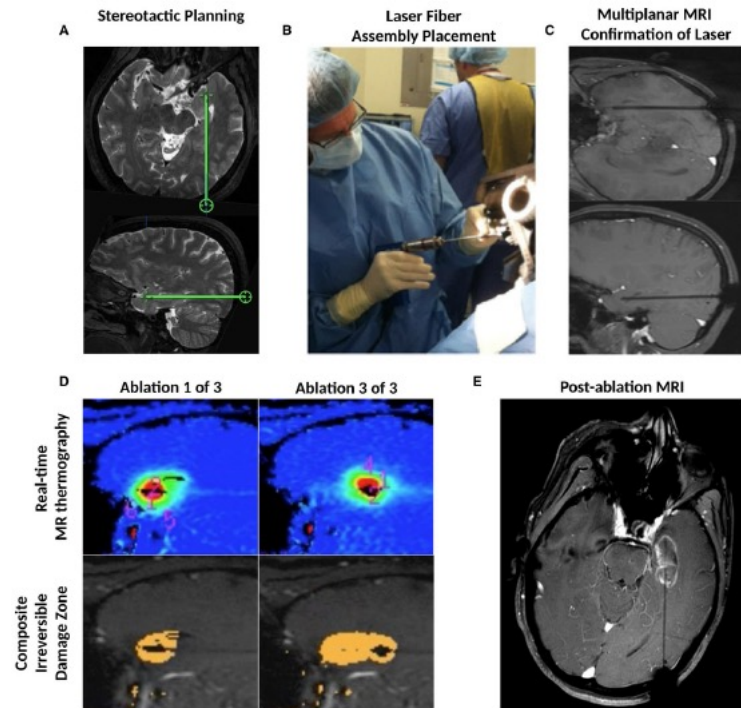


# Advantage

- Low morbidity
- Small incision,
- Confirmation of targeting before ablation
- Immediate effect, minimal hospital stay
- Easily coupled to stereoEEG
- Increased acceptance/referrals
  - Patient refusing open surgery
  - Referring neurologists refusing open surgery
- Less suited to large onset zone

## Laser ablation is effective for temporal lobe epilepsy with and without mesial temporal sclerosis if hippocampal seizure onsets are localized by stereoelectroencephalography

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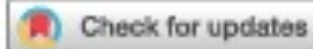
- Less invasive, shorter LOS and recovery, low morbidity
- Seizure free MTLE-HS 56%, MTLE 58%
- First option for MTLE?

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## Magnetic Resonance–Guided Laser Interstitial Thermal Therapy for Mesial Temporal Epilepsy: A Case Series Analysis of Outcomes and Complications at 2-Year Follow-Up

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- Seizure free
  - MTS 68%, non-MTS 43% (p=0.23)
- Complications (7.7%)
  - Transient (1), permanent (1) homonymous hemianopia



## Surgical Outcomes of Laser Interstitial Thermal Therapy for Temporal Lobe Epilepsy: Systematic Review and Meta-analysis

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- TLE seizure free 58%
- TLE & MTS seizure free 66%
- Not associated with total ablation volume, hippocampal volume, amygdala volume
- Complication 17% (visual field deficits)
  - Transient 10%
  - Permanent 5%

Comparison of minimally invasive and traditional surgical approaches for MTLE: A systematic review and meta-analysis of outcome

	Engel Class I	Major complications
MRgLITT	57%	3.8%
Radiofrequency ablation	44%	3.47%
ATL	69%	10.9%
sAHE	66%	7.4%

“Cognitive outcome might be more favorable after MRgLITT compared to ATL and sAHE”

Stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS)

# Radiosurgery for MTLE-HS

- 18,20,25 Gy to 50% isodose
- European multicenter study 62% seizure free (Regis 2004)
- 9/15 (60%) seizure free (24 Gy) at 8-year follow-up (Bartolomei 2008)
- US pilot study 77% seizure free

# Stereotactic radiosurgery for the treatment of mesial temporal lobe epilepsy

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*Objectives* – Stereotactic radiosurgery (RS) is a potential option for some patients with temporal lobe epilepsy (TLE). The aim of this meta-analysis was to determine the pooled seizure-free rate and the

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- 50.9% seizure free (6 months-9 years)
- 14 months to seizure cessation



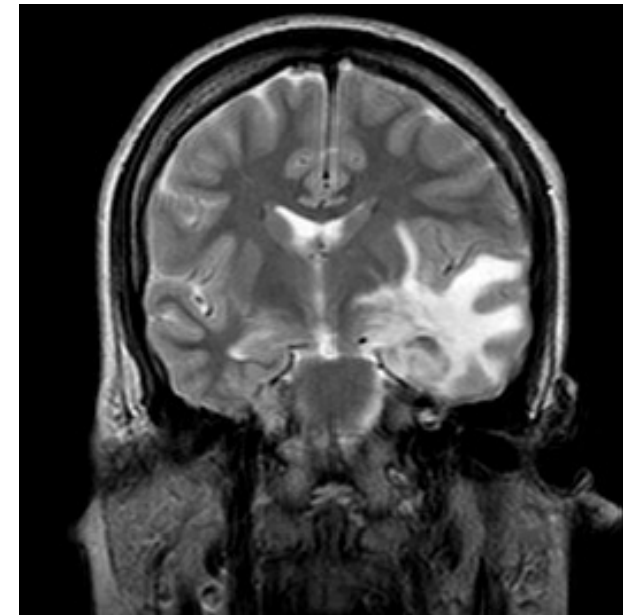
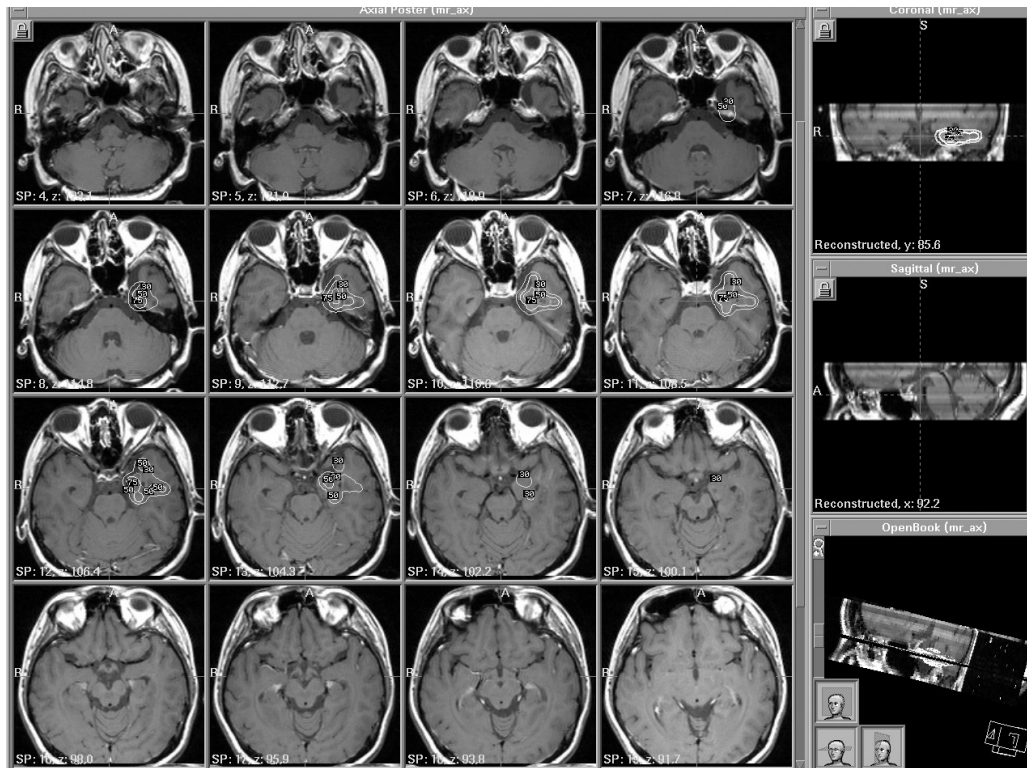
CLINICAL STUDIES

# FAILURE OF GAMMA KNIFE RADIOSURGERY FOR MESIAL TEMPORAL LOBE EPILEPSY: REPORT OF FIVE CASES




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## Radiosurgery versus open surgery for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy: The randomized, controlled ROSE trial

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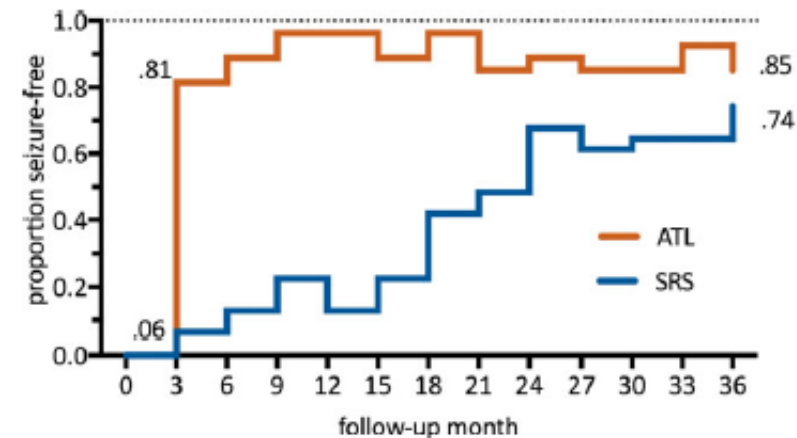
- 31 SRS, 27 ATL
- 16 (52%) SRS, 21 (78%) ATL seizure free
- Verbal memory changes were not different
- QOL associated with seizure remission
- SRS, ATL appear to have effectiveness and reasonable safety as treatment for MTLE
- SRS is an alternative to ATL in patients with contraindication for or with reluctance to undergo open surgery

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## Neuropsychological outcomes after Gamma Knife radiosurgery for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy: a prospective multicenter study

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## A Systematic Review of Minimally Invasive Procedures for Mesial Temporal Lobe Epilepsy: Too Minimal, Too Fast?

**BACKGROUND:** Cortico-amygdalohippocampectomy (CAH) is effective for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy (mTLE). Concerns regarding surgical morbidity have generated enthusiasm for more minimally invasive interventions. A careful analysis of current data is warranted before widespread adoption of these techniques.

**OBJECTIVE:** To systematically review the use of laser interstitial thermal therapy (LITT), stereotactic radiosurgery (SRS), radiofrequency thermocoagulation (RF-TC), and focused ultrasound for mTLE.

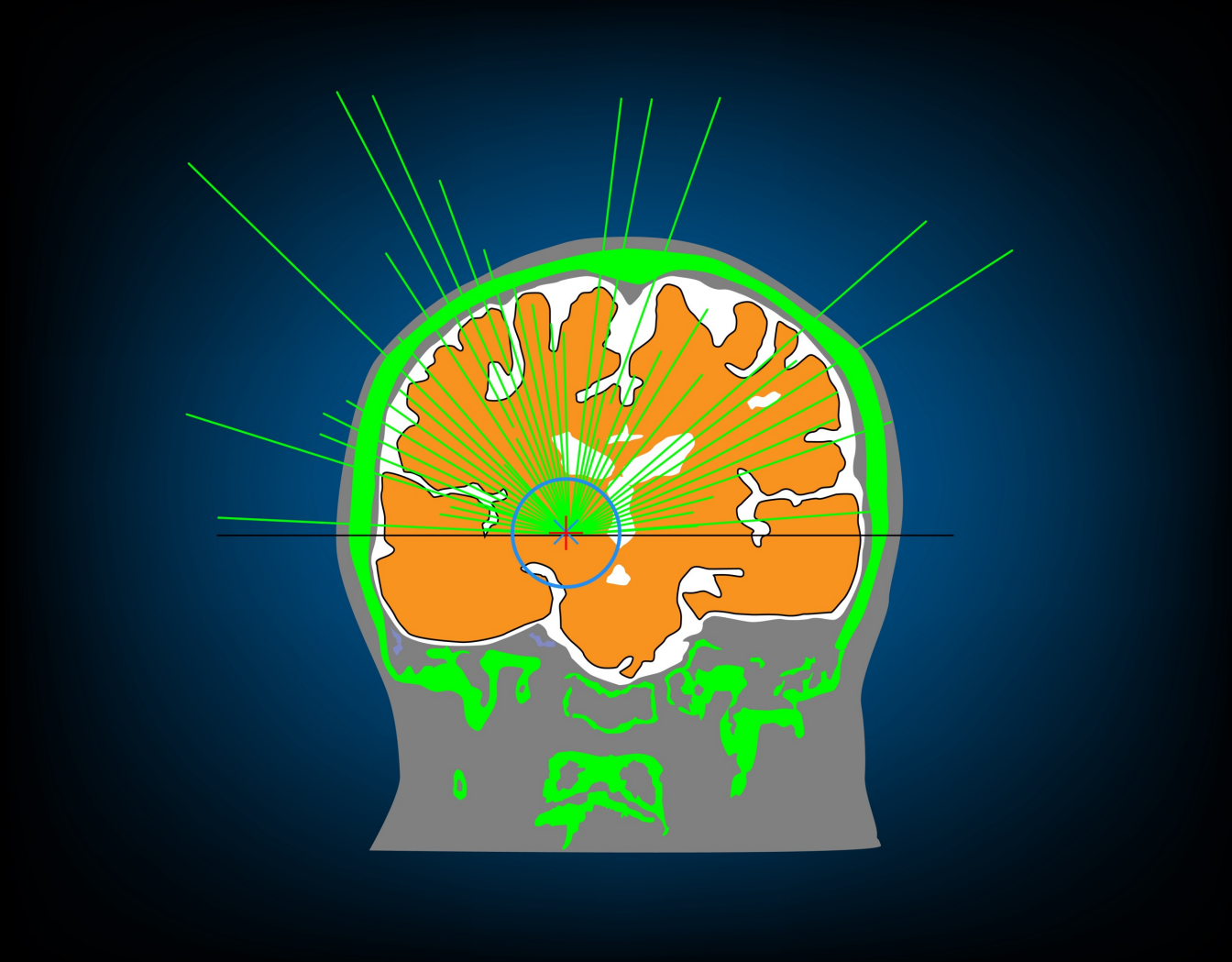
**METHODS:** Major online databases were searched for prospective observational studies

- LITT has compelling evidence of efficacy
- SRS has a latency period and inferior to CAH
- RF-TC is a less resource-intensive alternative to LITT

## Stereotactic ablation techniques

Technique	Pros	Cons
Radiofrequency	Reduced collateral damage Immediate benefit Low cost	Temperature monitored only at tip
Radiosurgery	Noninvasive	Delayed benefit, risk of SUDEP Potential radiation injury, dose limitations High cost
LITT	Minimal collateral damage Immediate benefit Near real-time magnetic resonance thermography guides therapy and confirms ablation zone	High cost/ disposables

# Transcranial Focused Ultrasound





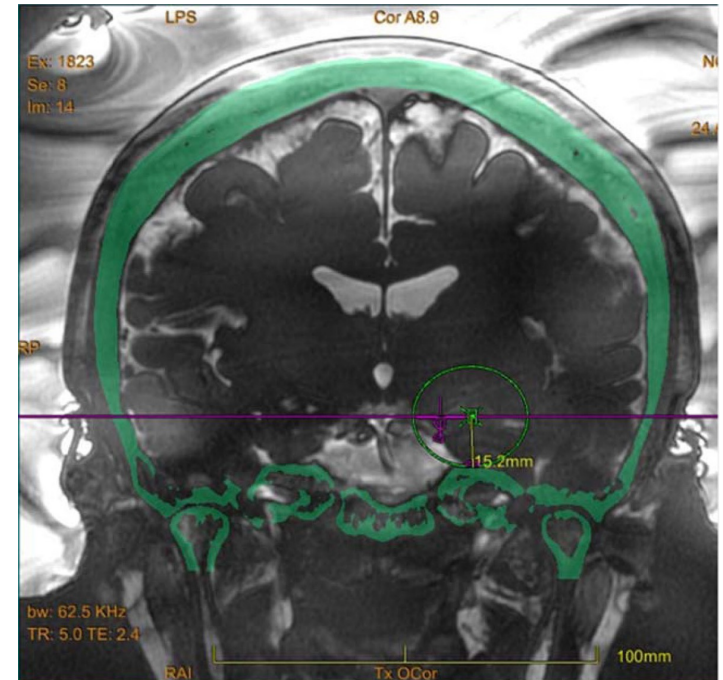
CASE REPORT

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# Magnetic resonance-guided focused ultrasound for mesial temporal lobe epilepsy: a case report

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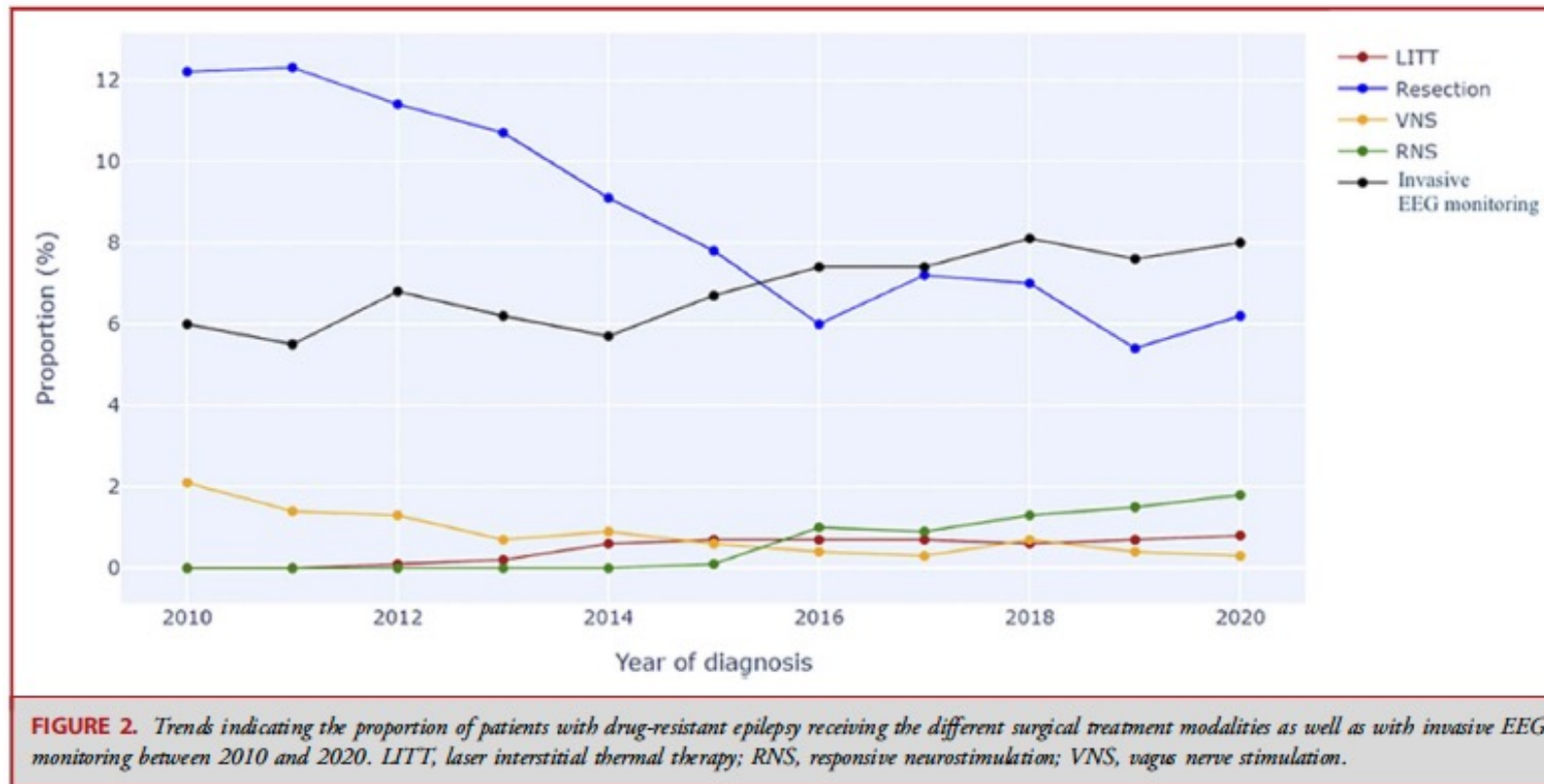
- 36-year-old woman with left MTLE
- Sub-ablations temperatures (48 C)
- Post-op MRI: no lesion
- Post-op PET: Increased metabolism left lateral temporal, bilateral striata, bilateral frontal base, posterior cingulate
- Seizure outcome: Engel III



	Advantage	Disadvantage
ATL	Class I evidence, best seizure outcomes	Largest incision, questionable neuropsychological implications of lateral cortex resection
SelAH Transylvian approach Transcortical approach Subtemporal approach	Preservation of lateral cortex Complete preservation of lateral cortex Technically less challenging Avoid both sylvian fissure and lateral cortex	Slight worse seizure outcomes than ATL; still requires open surgery Technically challenging, damage to temporal stem Damage to lateral cortex Possible retraction damage to basal temporal lobe
Gamma knife radiosurgery	No invasive surgery	Antiseizure effects delayed by 12-24 months
Stereotactic laser thermo-ablation Stereotactic radiofrequency thermocoagulation	Only burr hole required, preliminarily favorable neuropsychological outcomes	Higher risk of persistent seizures than resection; long-term outcomes require further study
Device implantation Responsive neurostimulation Vagus nerve stimulation Deep brain stimulation	No brain resection Direct closed-loop therapy to EZ EZ localization not required EZ localization not required	Palliative; worsen seizure freedom than resection/ablation EZ localization required; seizure freedom is rare Seizure freedom is rare Seizure freedom is rare

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**TABLE 2. Perioperative and Postoperative Complications and Charges Associated With Each of the Treatment Approaches for Refractory Epilepsy**

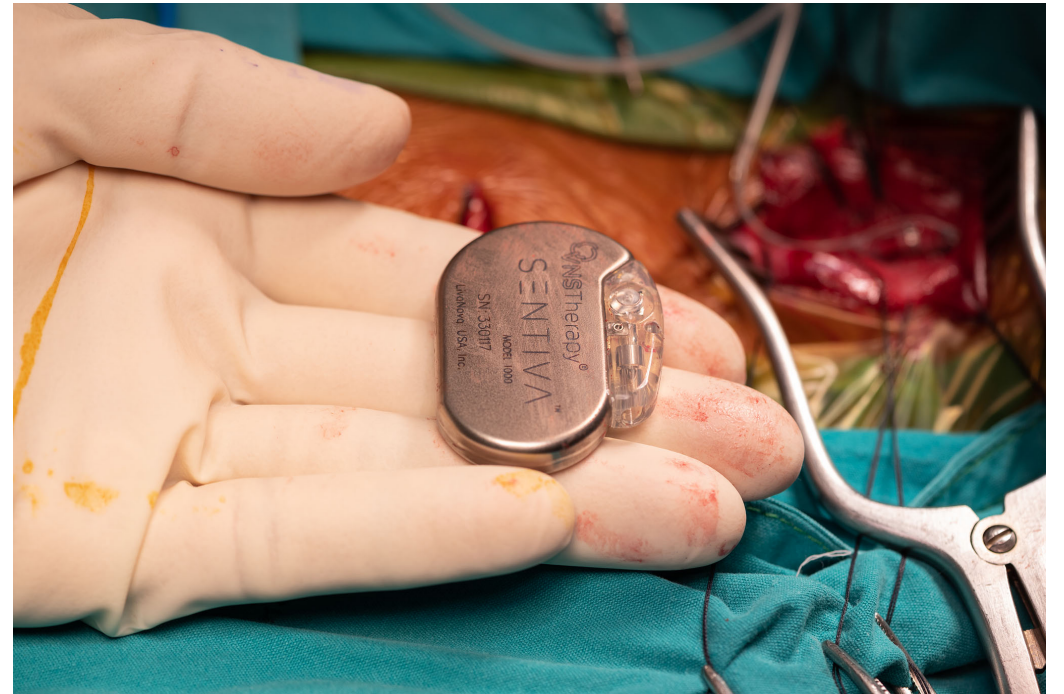
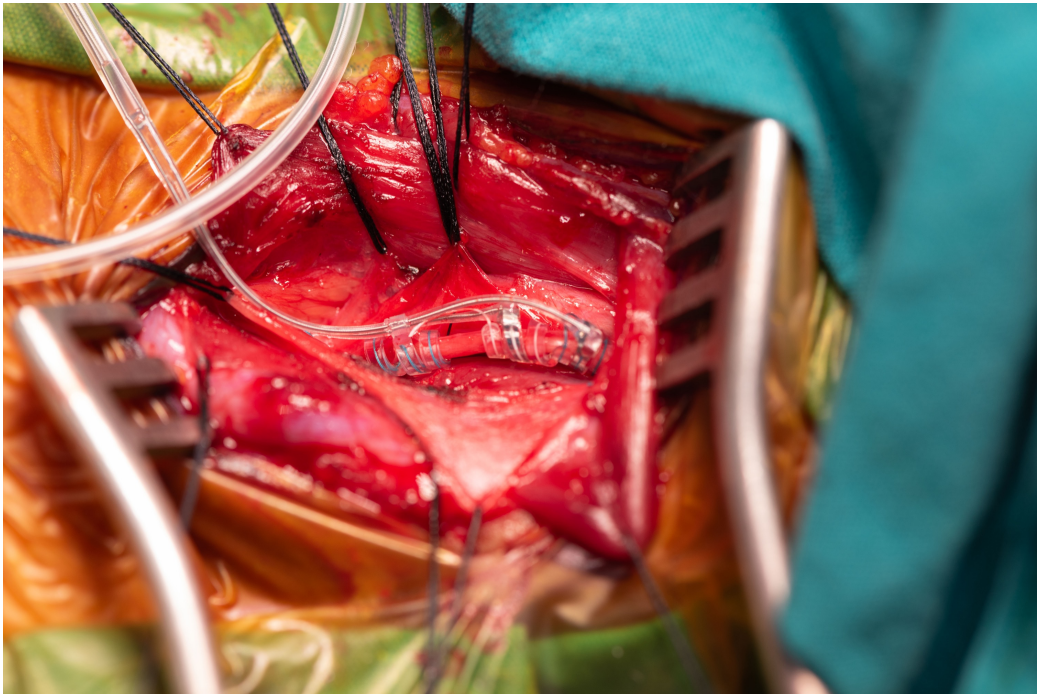
Variable	LITT (N = 205)	Resection (N = 2602)	RNS (N = 262)	VNS (N = 274)	Total (N = 3343)	P value
Ischemic stroke	0 (0.0%)	34 (1.3%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.4%)	35 (1.0%)	<b>.049</b>
Postoperative SAH	0 (0.0%)	12 (0.5%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	12 (0.4%)	.330
Neurological complications	0 (0.0%)	89 (3.4%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.4%)	91 (2.7%)	<b>&lt;.001</b>
Pulmonary complications	1 (0.5%)	36 (1.4%)	0 (0.0%)	4 (1.5%)	41 (1.2%)	.185
DVT/PE complications	1 (0.5%)	16 (0.6%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.4%)	19 (0.6%)	.922
Cardiac complications	1 (0.5%)	6 (0.2%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	7 (0.2%)	.585
Urinary complications	0 (0.0%)	17 (0.7%)	2 (0.8%)	2 (0.7%)	21 (0.6%)	.695
Hematoma	5 (2.4%)	26 (1.0%)	8 (3.1%)	0 (0.0%)	39 (1.2%)	<b>.002</b>
Wound dehiscence	0 (0.0%)	8 (0.3%)	1 (0.4%)	1 (0.4%)	10 (0.3%)	.868
Wound infection	0 (0.0%)	8 (0.3%)	0 (0.0%)	0 (0.0%)	8 (0.2%)	.516
Mean LOS in days (95% CI)	2.5 (2.1-2.9)	7.8 (7.7-8.1)	3.3 (2.9-4.3)	—	6.9 (6.6-7.2)	<b>&lt;.001</b>
Nonhome discharge	9 (4.4%)	459 (17.6%)	25 (9.5%)	32 (11.7%)	525 (15.7%)	<b>&lt;.001</b>
Death	0 (0.0%)	10 (0.4%)	0 (0.0%)	1 (0.4%)	11 (0.3%)	.616
Mean total charges in USD (95% CI)	140 604 (129 000-152 000)	180 093 (173 800-186 200)	272 968 (250 000-296 000)	167 688 (122 000-214 000)	183 892 (178 000-191 000)	<b>&lt;.001</b>

DVT/PE, deep vein thrombosis/pulmonary embolism; LITT, laser interstitial thermal therapy; LOS, length of stay; RNS, responsive neurostimulation; SAH, subarachnoid hemorrhage; VNS, vagus nerve stimulation. Bold entries indicate  $P < 0.05$ .

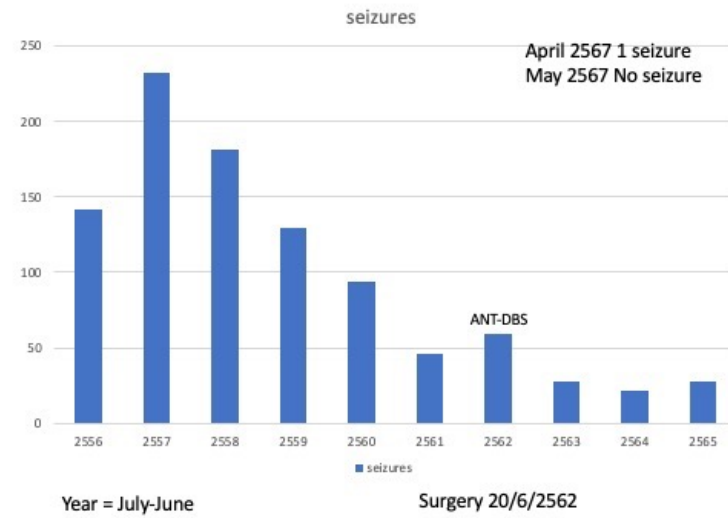
# Neurostimulation

- Bitemporal lobe epilepsy
- Failed temporal lobectomy
- Cognitive concern of resection

# VNS

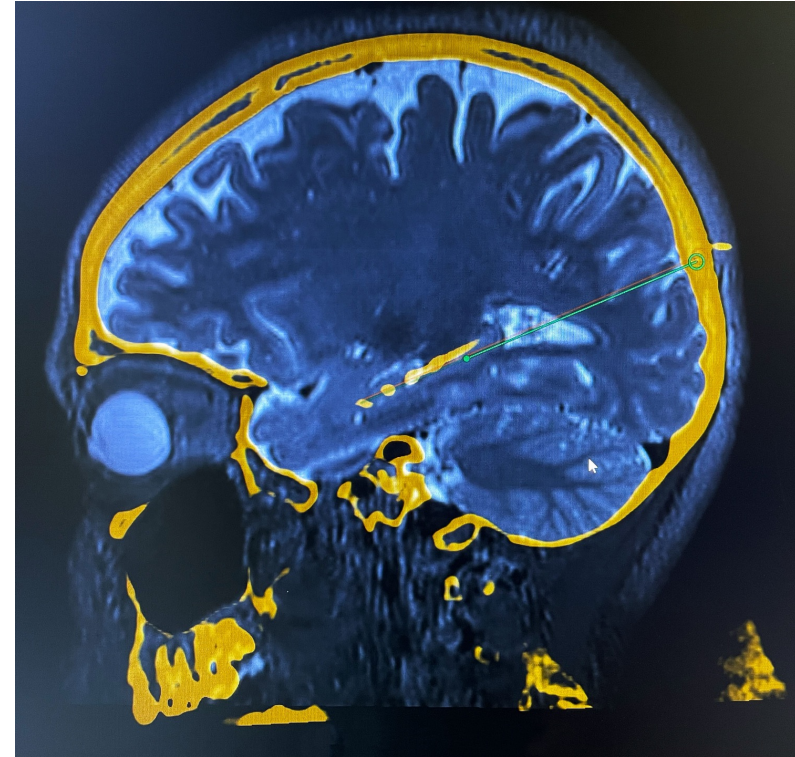
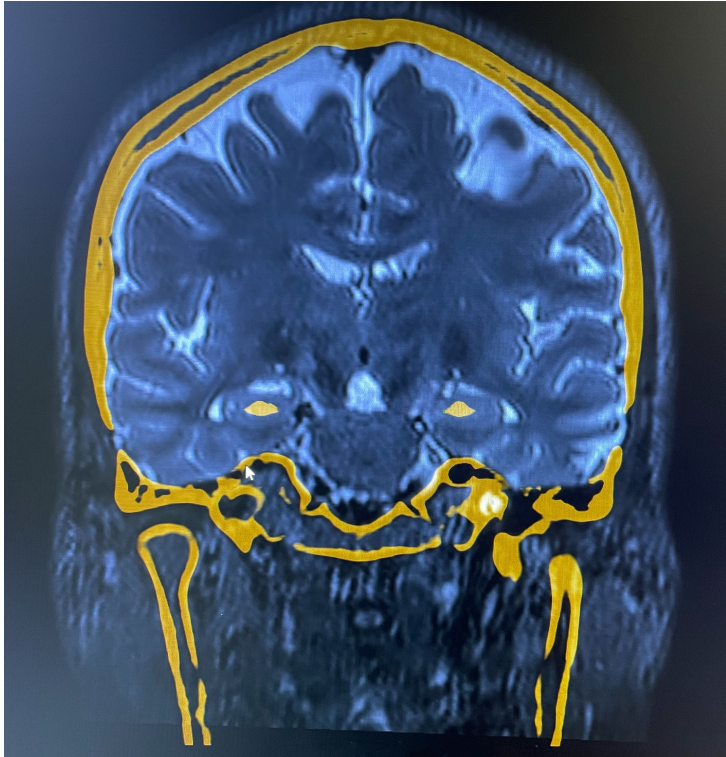


# Anterior thalamic DBS





# Hippocampal DBS



# Conclusions

- Surgical treatment of MTLE-HS is safe and effective.
- ATL or SelAH are the standard treatment.
- Minimally invasive surgery is an option in selected patients.

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