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COMMENTS TO AUTHORS

The authors report the data from a study aimed to evaluate risk factors associated with hopelessness, in two groups of patients with epilepsy: a group of patients with generalized tonic-clonic epilepsy and a group of patients with partial epilepsy. The authors conclude that patients with generalized seizures report more limitations in common social/role activities due to emotional problems compared to patients with other types of seizures. The manuscript is well-written, interesting and useful for the physicians. In the Discussion, I suggest to add a small statement about the limitations of the study: in particular, the two groups of patients are not similar and the lack of a healthy control group.

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This is a very well written article and the study is of interest to researchers in the field of hopelessness, hardiness, epilepsy, suicidal ideation, and depression. I found the table were very logical and the statistical approach was very straightforward and easy to follow. My only suggestion is to read through the article one more time because there are some little wording problems with "an" "the" etc. For example, on page 13, there is a misspelled word -- "indentifyng". Also, the discussion is a little long and rambling...if there is a way to tighten up some, that would help the reader out.