

Sleep disorders

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About the sleep...

Each of us will spend about $1/3$ of our lifetime sleeping.....

.....And $1/3$ part of the population has **sleep complain**

„Sleep is an essential biological function, but its exact function remains unclear.”

(Oxford Textbook of Sleep disorders, 2017)

Somatic theories of sleep function

Neural metabolic theories: detoxification and regeneration

Cognitive theories of sleep function: learning and brain development, memory



Regulation of sleep

Homeostatic drive: time without sleep ↑ -
sleepiness ↑

Cirkadian timing: lasts about 24 hours

- Hypothalamus
 - Suprachiasmatic nucleus
- Pituitary gland: melatonin

Ultradian timing: lasts less than 24 hours

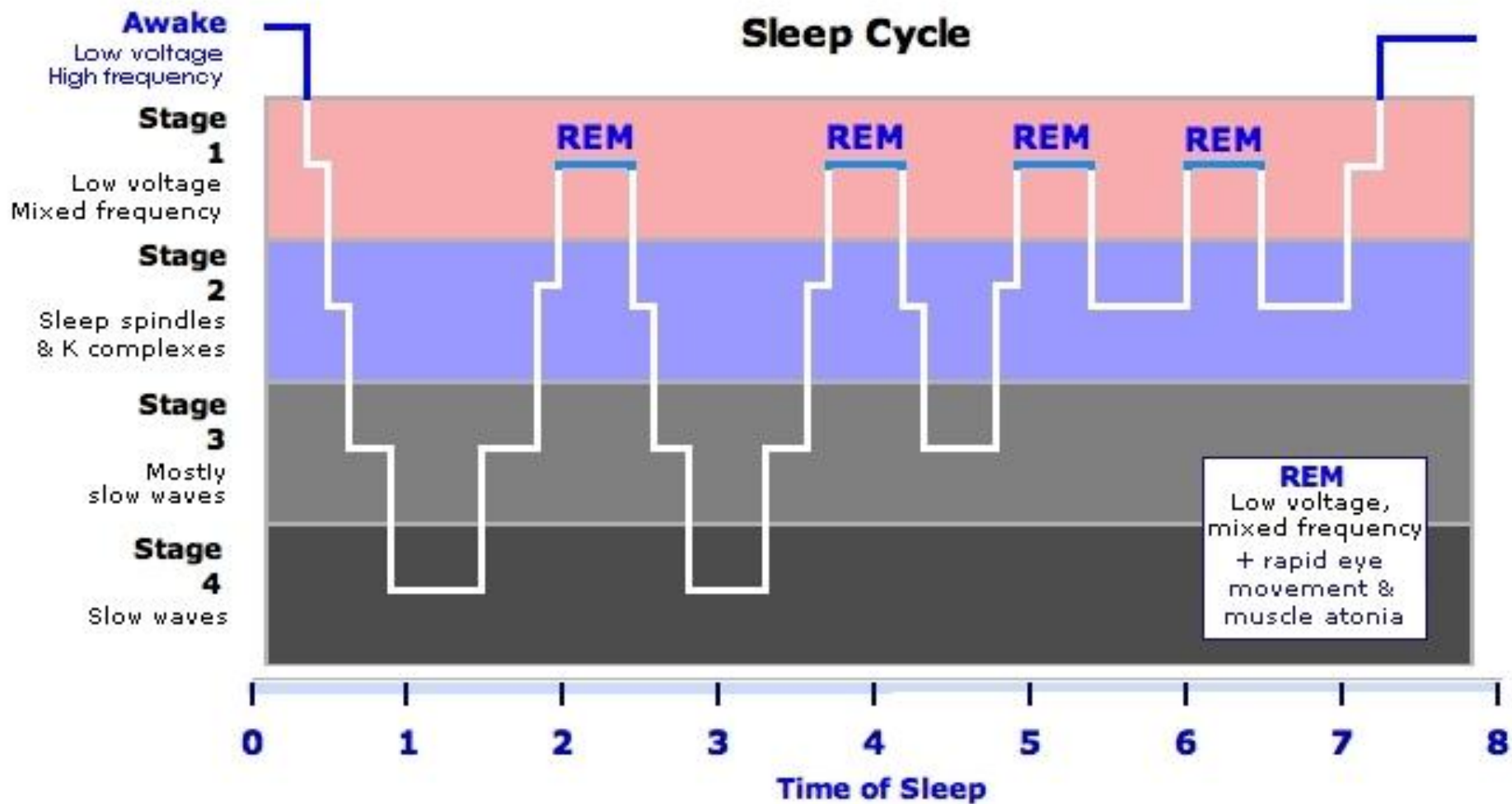
- Prepontin nuclei
- Raphe nuclei
- L. coeruleus

Normal human sleep

Sleep cycle – occurs about every 90 minutes, approximately 4-6 cycles occur per **major sleep episode**

- **NREM (70-80%)**
 - slow wave sleep
 - heart rate, BP, breathing ↓
 - body temperature, muscle tone ↓
- **REM (20-25%)**
 - rapid eye movement, paradox, fast wave sleep
 - heart rate, BP, breathing ↑, metabolic rate ↑
 - dreaming, erection
 - muscle atonia, BUT: myoclonus!

Sleep Cycle



AFTER RECHTSCHAFFEN & KALES, 1968; KALAT, 2005; WEITEN 2004

NREM

- 1st stage (3-8%) ~ **drowsiness, sleepiness** EEG: α -activity < 50%, muscle tone ↓, eye movement ↓
 - 2nd stage (45-55%) ~ EEG: K-complexes, sleep spindles, no eye movement
 - 3rd stage (5-10%) EEG: delta waves 20-50%
 - 4th stage (15-20%) delta > 50%
- } SWS

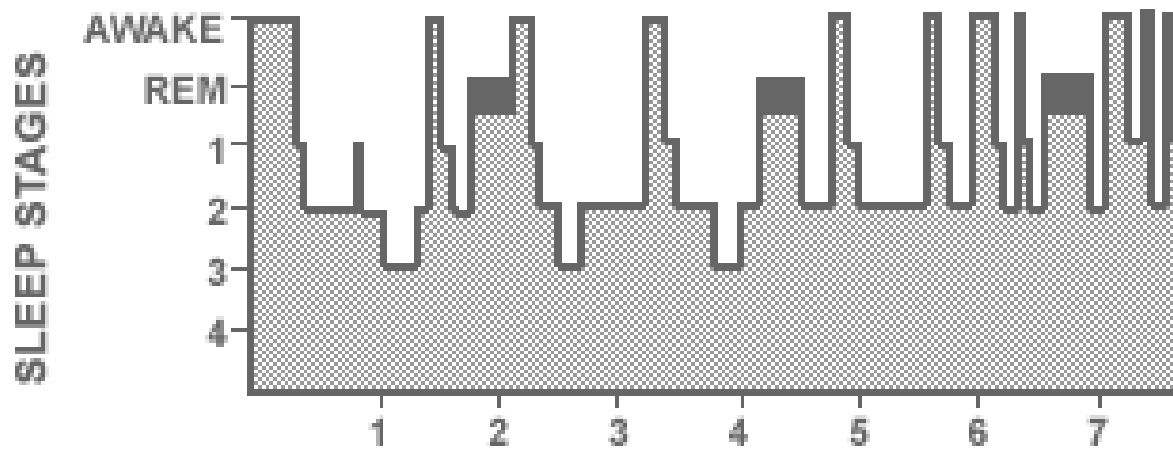
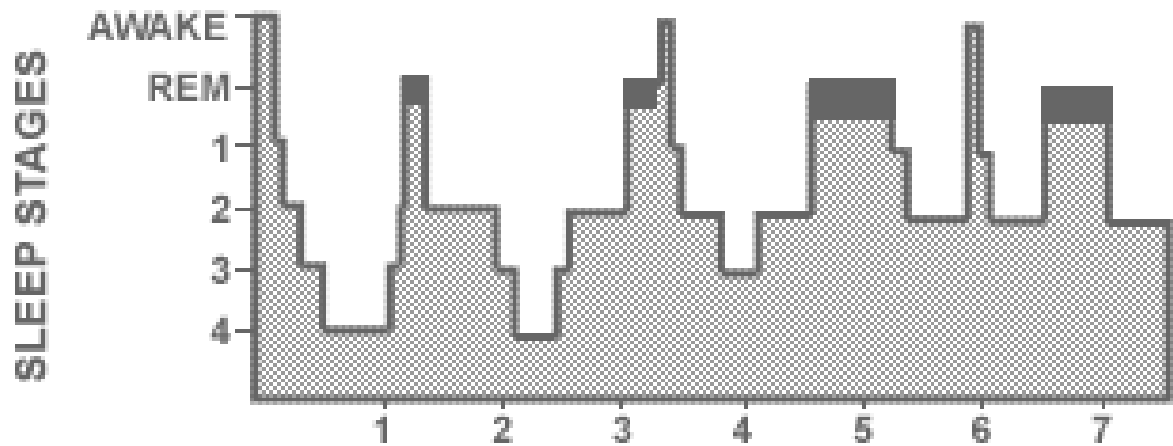
REM

- **Tonic** stage (desynchronized EEG ~ low voltage, frequency ↑, muscle atonia)
- **Phasic** stage (rapid eye movements ~ fast, saccadic eye movements ~, irregular breathing, heart rate ↑, myoclonus, apnea, hyperpnea, dreaming!!!)

Age-related changes



- Healthy young adult needs 6-8h sleep
- 1 year old baby 12h, 10 years old 10h, adolescent 8h, above 60 5-6h
- Percent of deep slow wave sleep is higher in childhood, less in elder ages
- afternoon sleep in children and elderly people



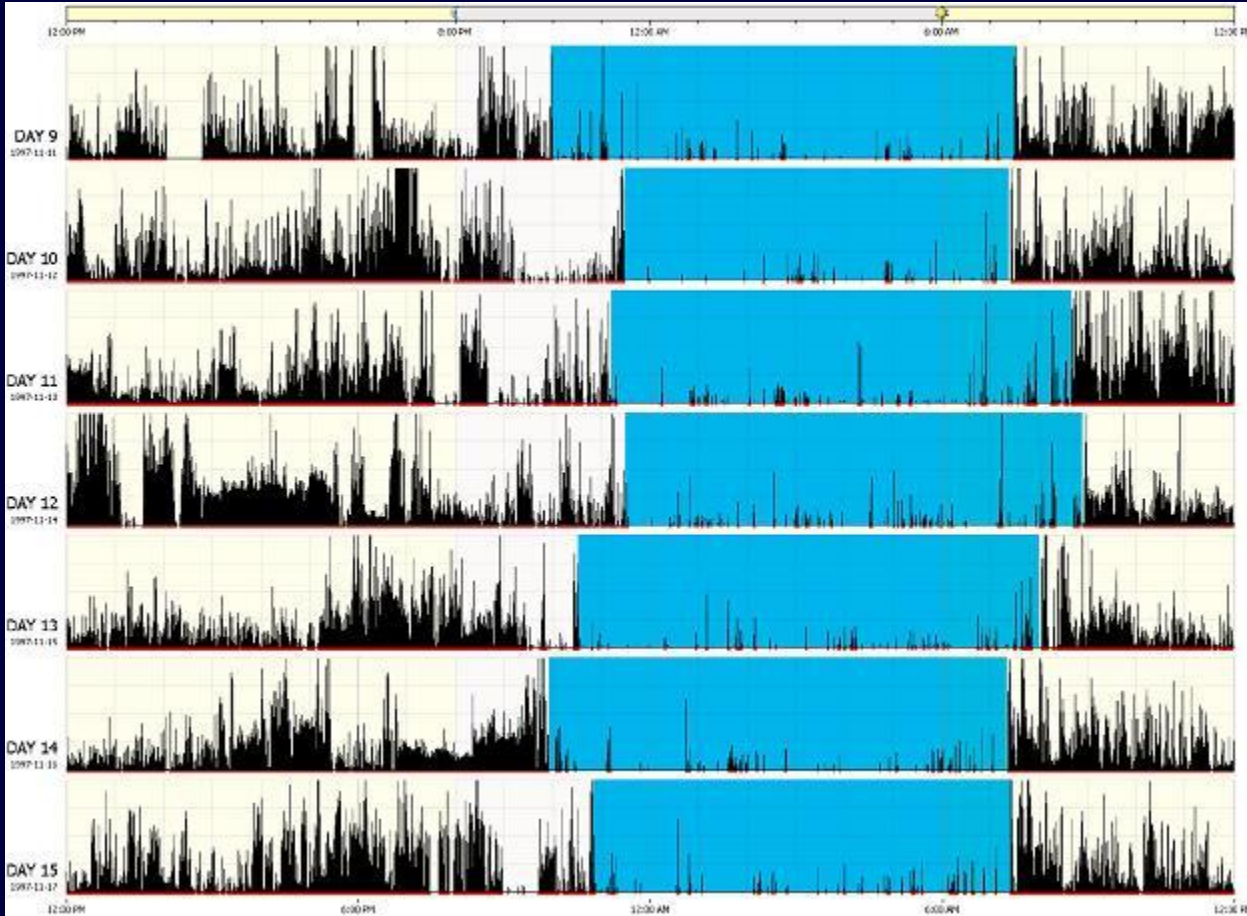
Polysomnography

- multiparametric monitoring during 1 night
- EEG
- Electrooculogram
- EMG (surface, chin)
- ECG
- Respiratory flow and effort
- SpO₂
- Body position
- Snoring (microphone)
- Limb electrode (EMG, optional)

Diagnostic methods

- Sleep diary
- Questionnaires: eg. Epworth sleepiness scale
- Actigraphy
- Pulzoxymetry
- Polygraphy
- Polysomnography
- Special: eg. MSLT, MWT

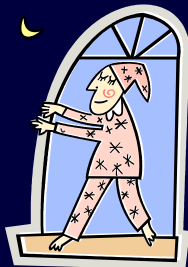
Actigraphy



More than 80 sleep disorders are known

(International Classification of Sleep Disorders, 3rd Edition
American Academy of Sleep Medicine, 2014)

- Insomnias (33%)
- Sleep related breathing disorders (1,4-40%)
- Central disorders of hypersomnolance (0,3-16,3%)
- Cirkadian rhythm sleep-wake disorders
- Parasomnias
- Sleep related movement disorders
- Other sleep disorders



Excessive daytime sleepiness

- Primary
- Secunder eg. fragmented sleep in OSAS
- Accidents!
- Epworth Sleepiness
- Scale
- MSLT, MWT

I. Insomnias

- Difficulty in initiating sleep or in staying asleep or waking up earlier
- Nonrefreshing, nonrestorative sleep
- Fatigue, concentration or memory impairment
- Mood disturbances, motivation, initiative reduction
- Daytime sleepiness
- Tension headache

I. Insomnias

- Prevalence: 33%
- Accompanied with daytime consequences
- Last less than 1 month: 4% (**transient insomnia**)
- Last more than 1 year: 85% (**persistent insomnia**)
- Male:female = 1:1.4
- Increase with age: above 65 years: 50%

I. Insomnias

- Primary (idiopathic)
- Secunder
 - Inadequate sleep hygiene (10%)
 - Paradoxical insomnia (10%)
 - Insomnia due to mental disorder (30-40%)
 - Psychophysiological insomnia (15%)
 - Insomnia due to drug or substance
 - Insomnia due to medical conditions
 - Sunday night insomnia

Treatment

- Treating the medical or psychiatric conditions (sec. insomnias)
- Nonpharmacologic:
 - behavioral treatments: normalizing the circadian rhythm
 - sleep hygiene
 - cognitive behavior and other psychotherapies
- Pharmacologic treatment

Pharmacologic Treatment Approach

- Select appropriate medication
- Evaluate carefully for apnea, respiratory impairment, organic mental disorders, substance abuse history
- Use lowest effective dose
- Use at bedtime (or later, if indicated)
- Duration of therapy
 - Use as needed for 2 to 4 weeks
 - Reduce dose as tolerated
 - Intermittent use suggested
- Combine with behavioral strategies

Pharmacologic treatment

Selective GABA_A agonists: nonbenzodiazepines

- no rebound insomnia
- *zolpidem, zopiclon, zaleplon*

Pharmacologic treatment

Benzodiazepines

- *midazolam, triazolam* ~ **rebound insomnia**
- *cinolazepam, quazepam*
- *brotizolam, temazepam*
- *nitrazepam* ~ **drowsiness**

Sleep hygiene

- Regular lifestyle
- Avoiding daytime napping
- Avoiding stimulating foods and beverages (tea, cola, chocolate)
- Light dinner
- Smoking
- Alcohol (helps to fall asleep but fragments sleep)

- Regular physical activity (not before going to bed)
- Bed is for sleep (not work)
- Comfortable temperature and light
- Don't suffer in the bed (go to bed when you are sleepy) (get up if you can't fall asleep in 30 minutes)

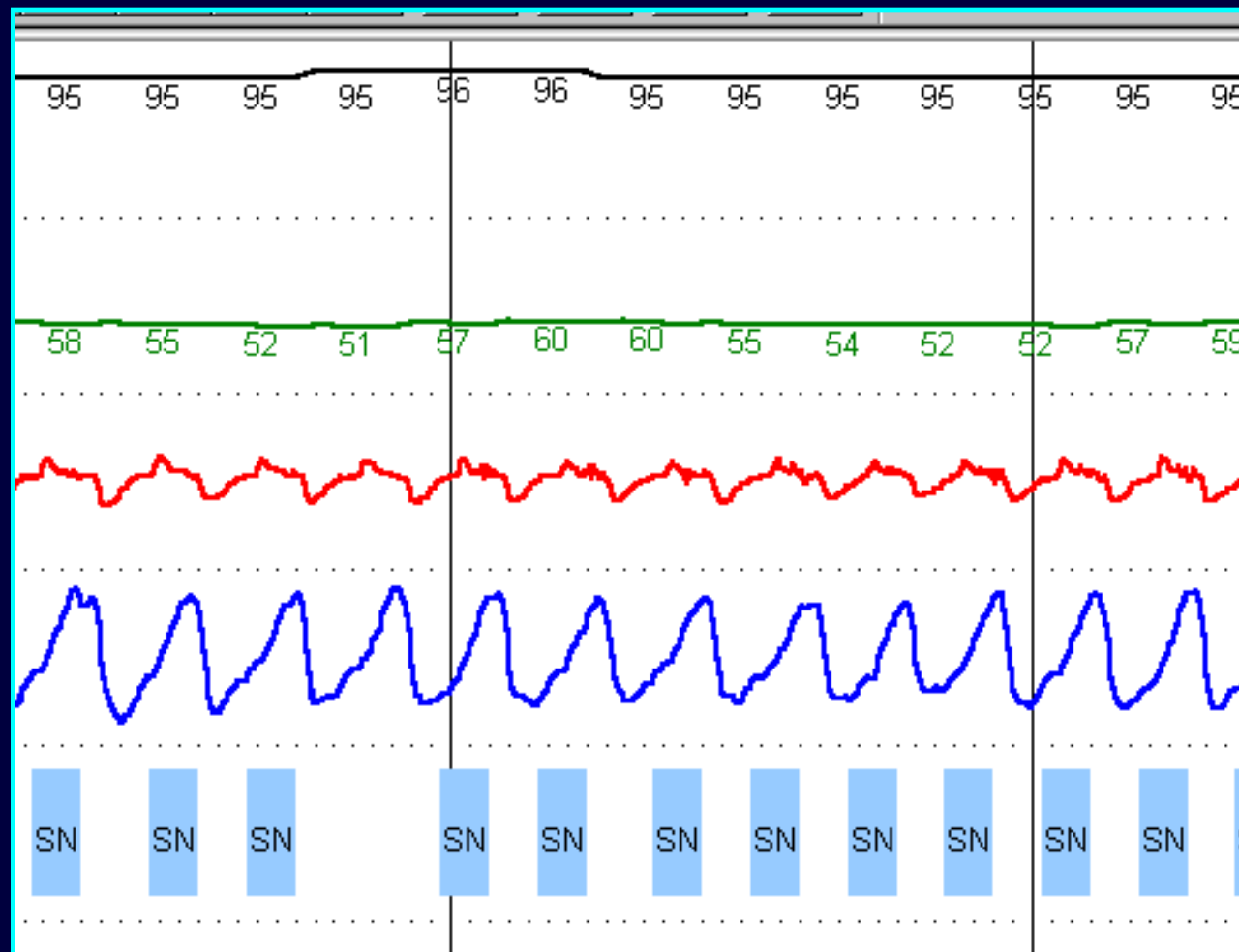
II. Sleep related breathing disorders

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1. Obstructive sleep apnea disorders, adult and pediatric
2. Central sleep apnea syndromes
3. Sleep related hypoventilation disorders
4. Sleep related hypoxaemia disorders



SpO2



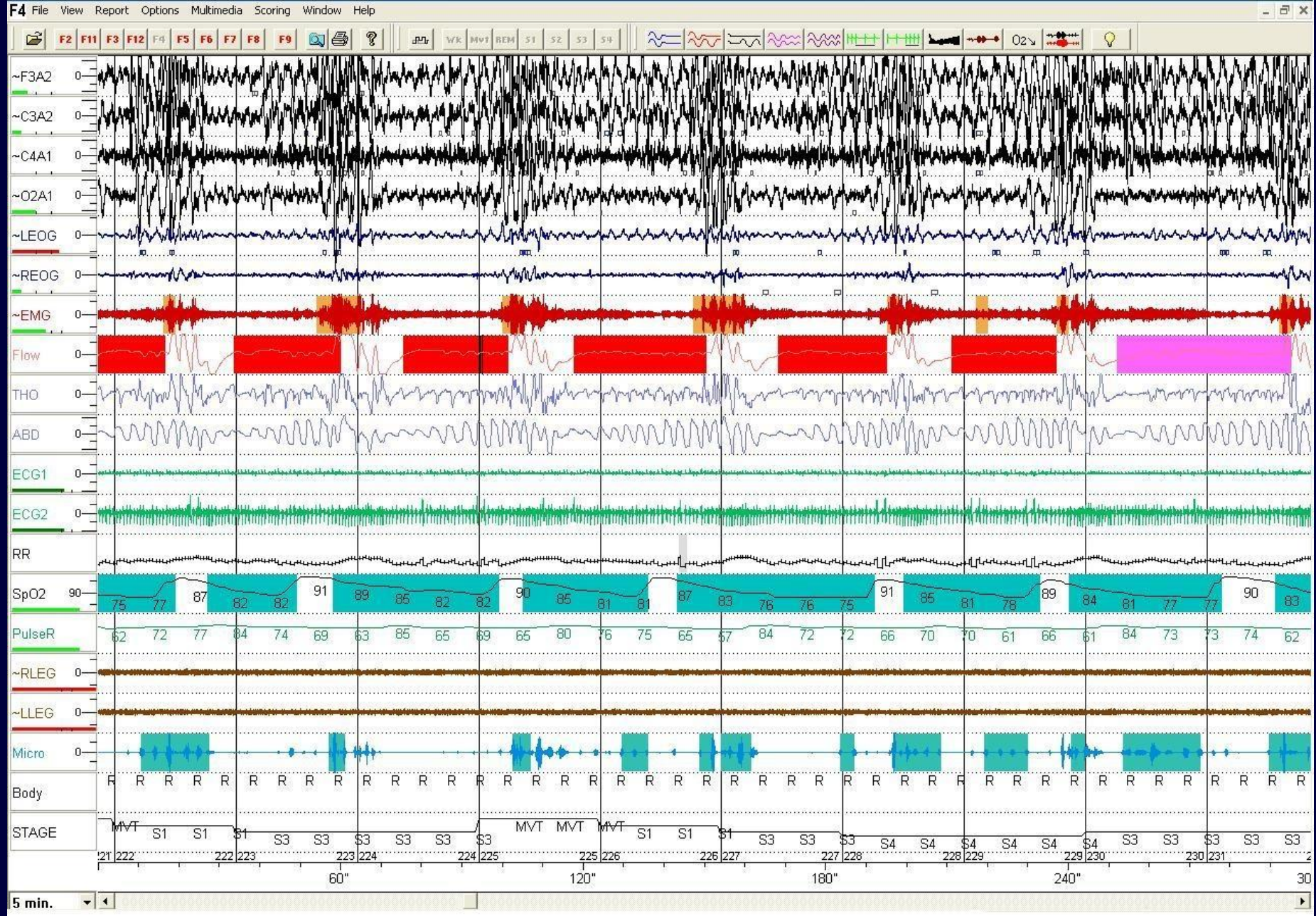
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Nasal flow

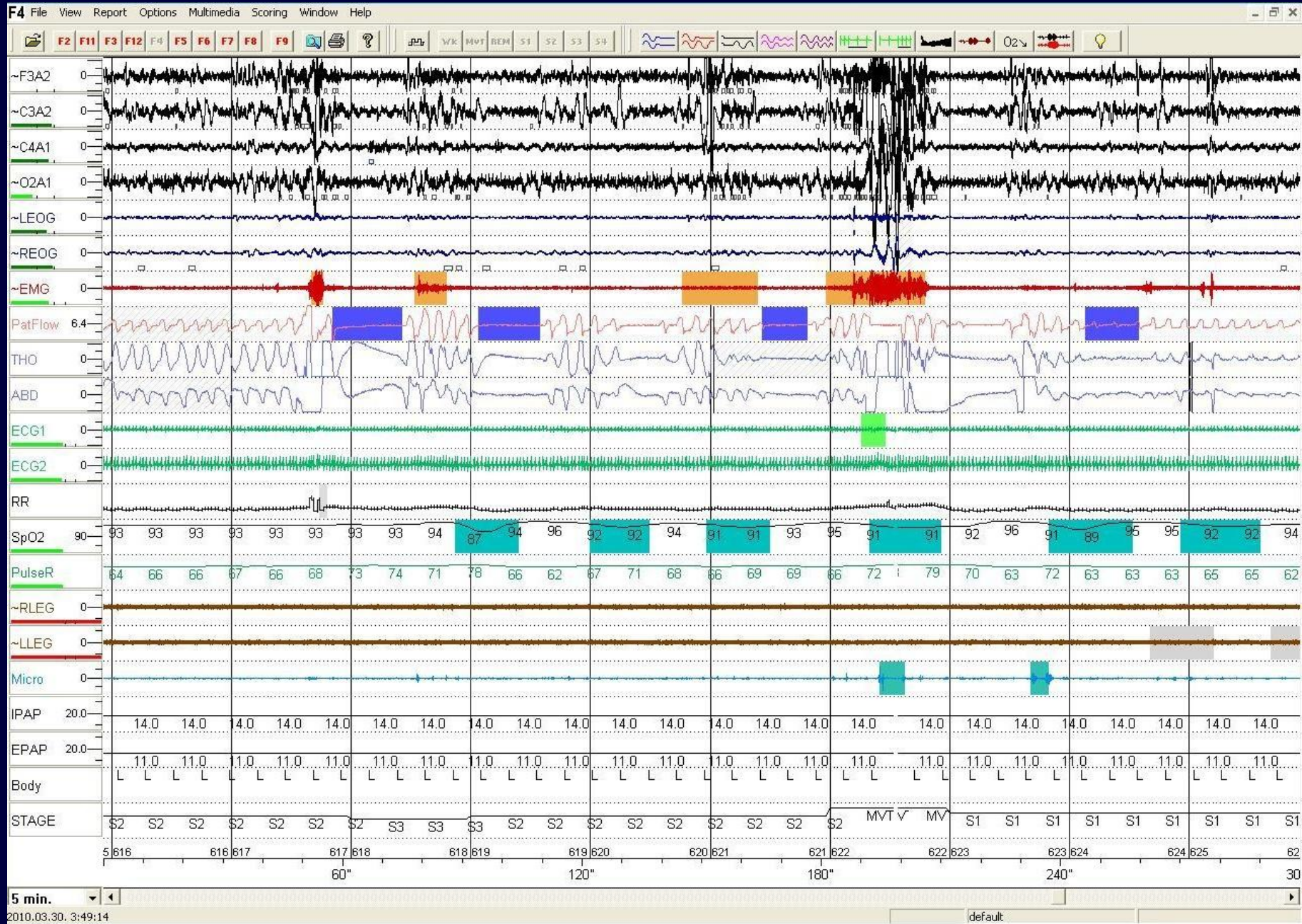
Effort

Snoring

Negative somnogram during snoring



Obstructive sleep apnea



Central apnea

Apnea-hypopnea index (AHI)

- Numbers of apneas and hypopneas/ 1 sleeping hour

Severity of sleep related breathing disorders:

- Normal: $AHI < 5/h$
- Mild: $AHI: 5-15/h$
- Moderate: $AHI: 16-30/h$
- Sever: $AHI > 30/h$

OSAS: symptoms

Daytime

- Excessive daytime sleepiness (Epworth Sleepiness Scale)
- Unrefreshing sleep
- Memory disturbances
- Morning headache
- Depression
- Decreased libido
- Stomachache

At night

- snoring
- apneas
- choking, gasping
- arousals
- sweating
- dry mouth
- palpitation
- nycturia

Risk factors of OSAS

- Obesity
- Age
- Male gender
- Positive family history of OSAHS
- Alcohol consumption before bedtime
- Race
- Smoking
- Sedatives
- Craniofacial anomalies
- Hypothyroidism, acromegaly

OSAS

- Chronic intermittent hypoxia
- Sympathetic dysregulation
- Risk factor for (non-dipper) hypertension, cardiac arrhythmias, myocardial infarct, stroke, heart failure, sudden death

Treatment of benign snoring and mild OSAS:

- Weight loss, alcohol withdrawal
- Rarely Nasal, pharyngeal surgery (UPPP)
- Oral appliances

Treatment of OSAS: nasal
CPAP/BIPAP

Narcolepsy

- Disorder of the regulation of wake and sleep
- Sleep attacks daytime, disturbed sleep at night
- Cataplexy, sleep paralysis, hallucination
- Orexin loss (post-Streptococcal, postvaccination)

Diagnosis

- Polysomnography to exclude other causes of daytime sleepiness
- MSLT (multiple sleep latency test)
- Orexin in CSF

Therapy

- For daytime sleepiness: modafinil, amphetamin
- For cataplexy: tricyclic antidepressants, venlafaxin

IV. Circadian rhythm sleep disorders

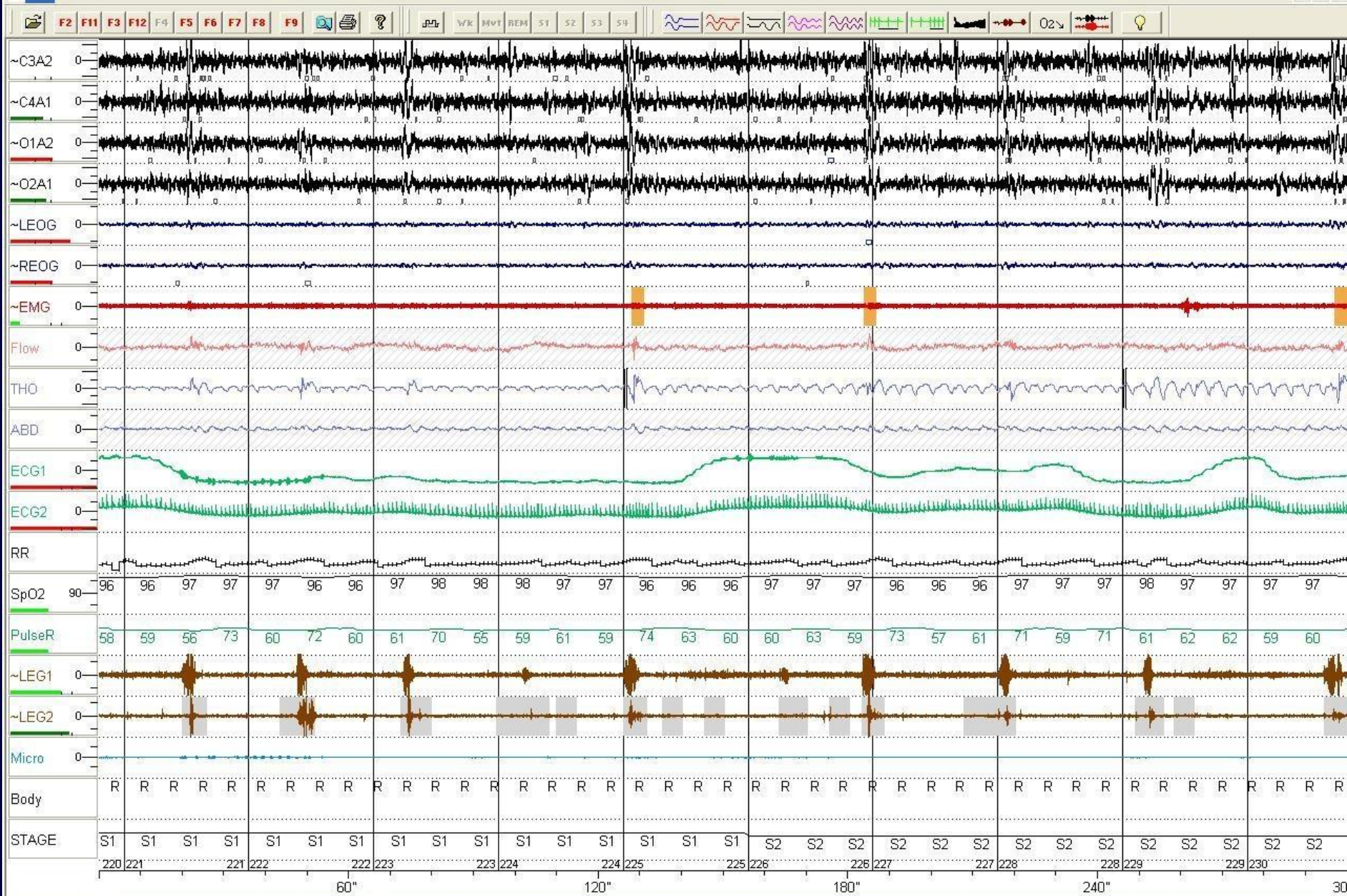
- Primary
 - Delayed sleep phase type
 - Advanced sleep phase type
 - Irregular sleep phase type
- Secondary
 - Jet lag type
 - Shift work type
- Treatment
 - Sleep hygiene
 - Chronotherapy
 - Light therapy
 - Melatonin, zolpidem

V. Parasomnias

- In NREM
 - Myoclonus
 - Enuresis nocturna
 - Pavor nocturnus, night terrors
 - Sleep walking - somnambulism
 - Bruxism
- In REM
 - Nightmares
 - REM sleep behavior disorder

VI. Sleep related movement disorders

- Restless legs syndrome – clinical dg
- Periodic limb movement disorder (PLMD)
– PSG dg
- Sleep related leg cramps



Restless legs syndrome

- Major diagnostic criteria:
 - an urge to move the legs
 - that is present at rest
 - relieved by movement, and
 - symptoms occurring mainly at night or in the evening

- Minor criteria:
 - PLMD by polysomnography
 - Dopamin agonist therapy is effective
 - Positive family history

Secunder RLS: pregnancy, iron deficiency, kidney failure, polyneuropathy, side effect of drugs (e.g. SSRI)

Therapy

- Dopamine agonists: pramipexole, ropinirole, rotigotine
- Benzodiazepines
- iron

Thank you for your attention!