

EPILEPSY

In older people...



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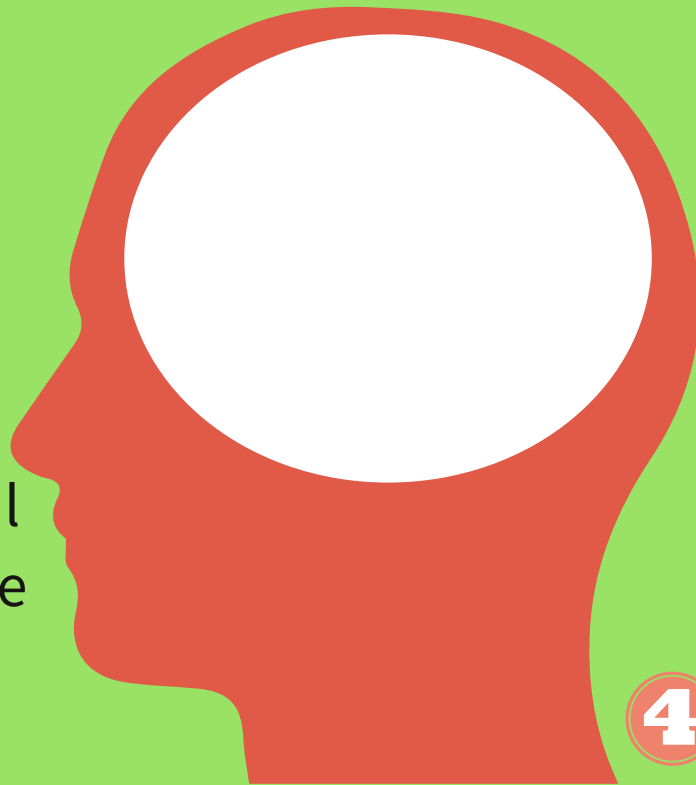
Cerebrovascular Disease is the commonest cause

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Focal seizures are more likely

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Diagnosis is difficult due to varied clinical manifestation - there is usually a longer post-ictal period.



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A detailed history and if possible an eye-witness account is key to diagnosis.
(Tips on the podcast)

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Before starting treatment consider:

- polypharmacy,
- drug-drug interactions,
- altered drug metabolism,
- susceptibility to side-effects
- other co-morbidities.

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