CASE STUDY

Neocortical: Interhemispheric

25 year old man presents with 5 to 9 nocturnal generalized tonic clonic seizures a month.

HISTORY

Seizure onset: 19 years of age
Seizure risk factor: MVA related head trauma with loss of consciousness > 48 hours
Neurological exam: subtle right pronator drift
Prior treatments: failed trials of 5 antiepileptic medications
MRI: normal
Scalp video-EEG: remarkable for seizures characterized by right arm stiffening followed by generalized tonic stiffening and subsequent clonic movements, ictal EEG shows diffuse left frontal attenuation followed by muscle artifact

Intracranial monitoring:
Subdural grid over left frontal pre- and post-central gyrus, left interhemispheric strips
Diffuse ictal onset over left anterior quadrant
Onset correlates with left supplementary motor cortex

EVALUATION & PLAN

- Partial onset seizures left supplementary motor cortex
- At risk for right hand and arm motor deficits following resection
- Candidate for RNS System with left supplementary motor strips

LEAD IMPLANT STRATEGY

3 cortical strip leads placed*:
- 1 in the anterior and 1 in the posterior interhemispheric space spanning left supplementary motor cortex
- 2 over the lateral frontal convexity spanning the central gyrus (1 superior and 1 inferior)
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ECOG

Electrographic seizure detected before stimulation is enabled. The top 2 channels are recording from the anterior interhemispheric strip and the bottom 2 channels from the superior lateral frontal strip. B2 indicates detection.

Electrographic discharge detected at B2 and treated with responsive stimulation (Tr)

*Only 2 leads are connected to the neurostimulator at once. This case study is a composite adapted from actual case files; results are not necessarily representative of the patient population.

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