

# Sleep

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**No longer think of  
sleep as an isolated  
block  
of time at the end of  
the day.**



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**Sleep is not just the  
absence of wakefulness,**

**It is an active  
physiologic process.**

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**SLEEP IS PART OF A 24  
HOUR CYCLE OF SLEEPING  
AND WAKING BEHAVIOR.**

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## **Circadian**

**From the latin *circa*  
(about) + *dies* (day)**

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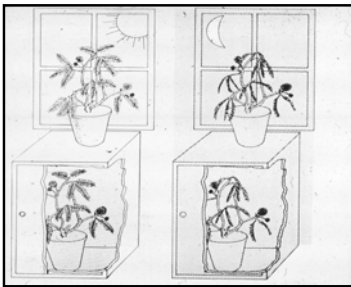
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*The first demonstration of a circadian rhythm by Jean  
Jacques d'Ortous de Mairan in 1729*

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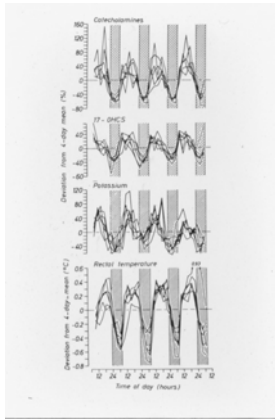
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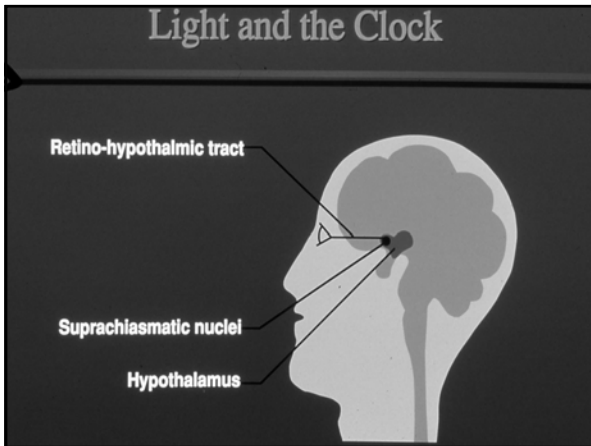
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**Over a 24 hour period two discrete systems flow one into the other.**

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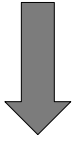
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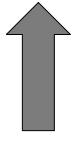
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## Evening



Activating systems  
decrease action



**Sleep systems**  
**increase action**

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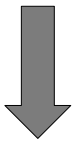
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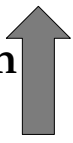
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Sleep systems  
decrease action

4:30 am



**Alerting systems**  
**increase action**

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**Our biological clocks are  
demonstrated in jet lag**

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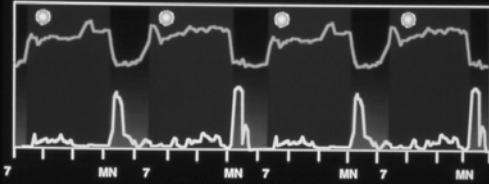
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**Circadian Rhythm in Body Temperature  
and Hormone Marker**



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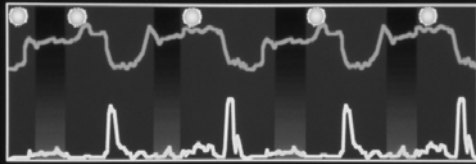
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**On Arrival**



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**Neuroanatomical  
Neurophysiological  
Neurochemical  
Studies**

To localize sleep and wakefulness  
Beginning in the 1930's

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### 3 types of studies to localize sites

1. Transection
2. Stimulation
3. Lesion

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### 1940's Moruzzi and Magoun

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1. Electrical stimulation of the brainstem reticular formation, but not the sensory pathways, produced cortical activation consistent with wakefulness
2. Lesions in the same area produced cortical deactivation and slow waves
3. Most effective lesions that produced cortical deactivation were in the midbrain and extending forward into the posterior hypothalamus

This became known as the:

ASCENDING RETICULAR ACTIVATING SYSTEM

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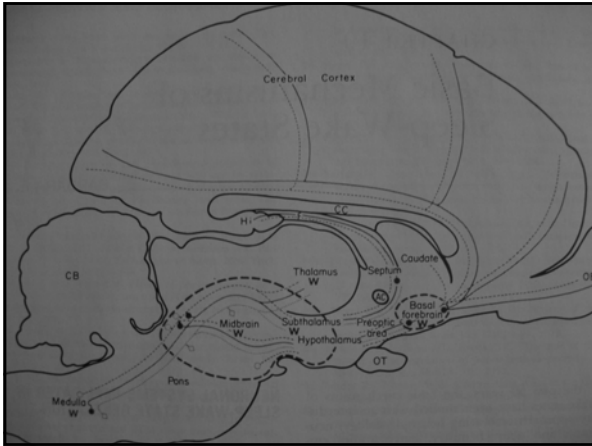
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The same types of studies showed that:

Stimulation of certain areas of the brainstem such as the medullary reticular formation ( Nucleus of the solitary tract) produced cortical synchronization (sleep)

Lesions of these specific regions produced cortical activation (wakefulness)

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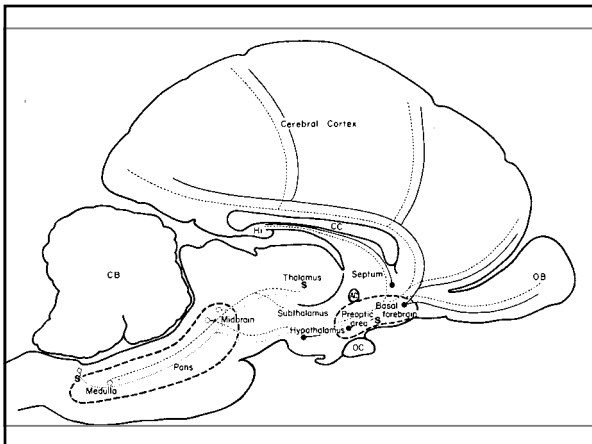
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**Most recently the HYPOTHALAMUS  
has emerged as an area of great  
importance for both sleep and  
wakefulness**

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This next slightly different schematic of the cat brain shows the sites of study by Jouvet and colleagues

REM sleep promoters – cholinergic neurons of the roof of the pons – REM ON

- Laterodorsal tegmentum (LDT)
- Pedunculopontine Tegmentum (PPT)

REM sleep suppressors – monoaminergic neurons

- REM OFF
- Locus Ceruleus (noradrenergic)
- Raphe Nucleus (serotonergic)

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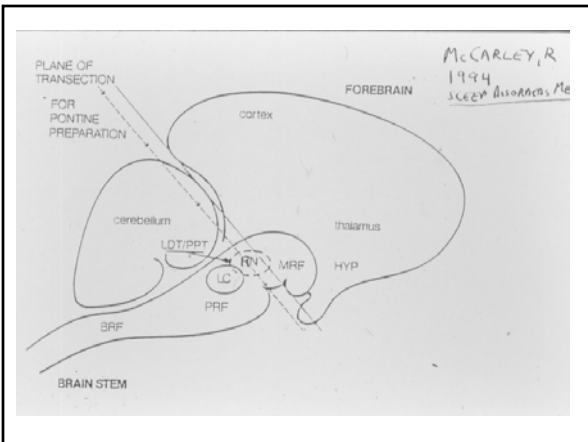
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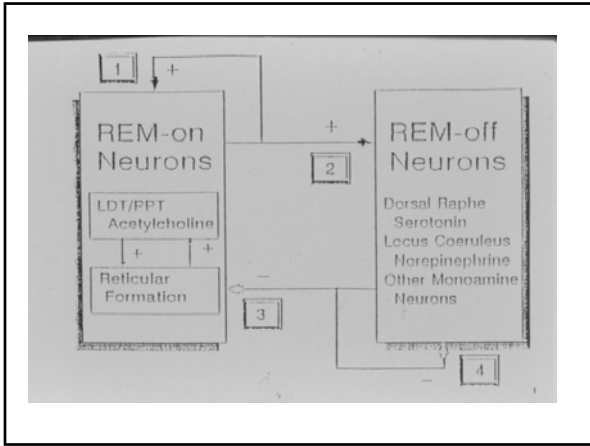
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### Neurochemical regulation of awake and sleep and REM and Non-REM

- Adrenergic
- Cholinergic
- Serotonergic
- Glutamatergic
- Dopaminergic

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GABA (gamma-aminobutyric acid) – mainly inhibitory – hypothalamus, basal forebrain and thalamus

Adenosine – in wakefulness accumulates in basal forebrain

Histamine – wake promoting

Hypocretin/Orexin – hypothalamus – wake promoting

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**Sleep is not a blank homogeneous  
state but a complex, cyclical  
physiologic process**

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There are 5 different stages of sleep

Non-REM Sleep      REM Sleep  
stage 1  
stage 2  
stage 3  
stage 4

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### DISTRIBUTION OF SLEEP STAGES

<u>NREM</u>	<u>75%</u>	<u>REM</u>	<u>25%</u>
STAGE 1	5%		
STAGE 2	45%		
STAGE 3	12%		
STAGE 4	13%		

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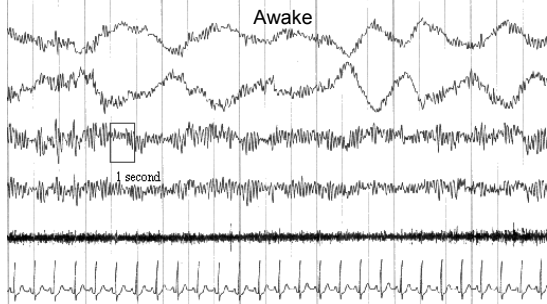
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- >50% of each epoch contains Alpha activity
- Slow rolling eye movements or eye blinks will be seen in the EOG channels
- Relatively high submental EMG muscle tone

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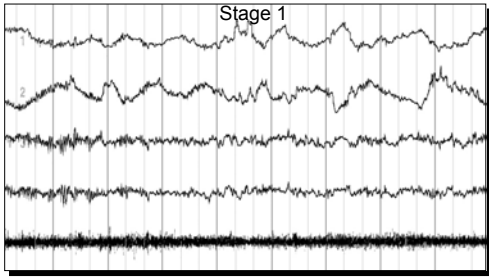
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- $\geq 50\%$  of the epoch contains Theta activity (3-7 cps.) There may be Alpha activity within  $<50\%$  of the epoch.
- Slow rolling eye movements in the EOG channels
- Relatively high submental EMG tone

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- Background EEG is Theta (3-7 cps.)
- K-Complexes and Spindles occur episodically
- Mirrored EEG in the EOG leads
- High tonic submental EMG

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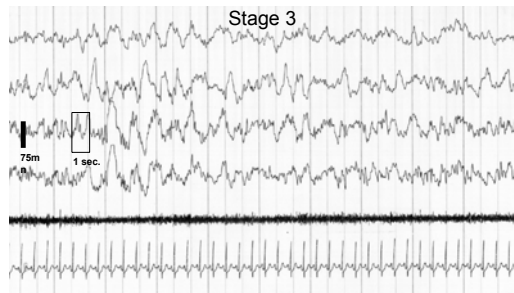
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- 20% to 50% of each epoch and must contain Delta activity
- EOG channels will mirror Delta activity
- Submental muscle tone may be slightly reduced

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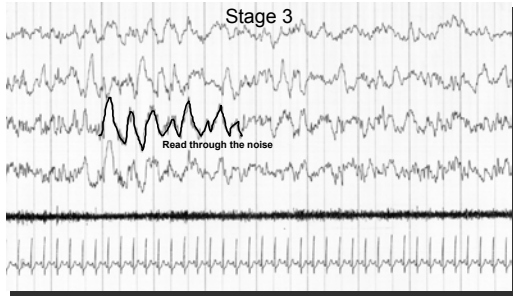
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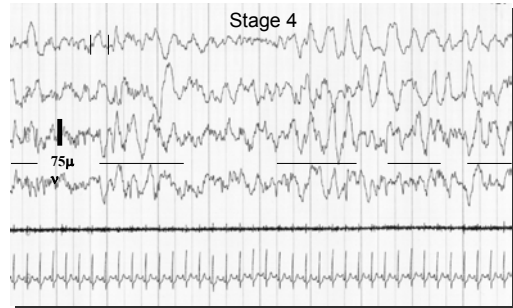
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- >50% of the epoch will have scorable Delta EEG activity
- The EOG leads will mirror all of the Delta EEG Activity
- Submental EMG activity will be slightly reduced from that of light sleep

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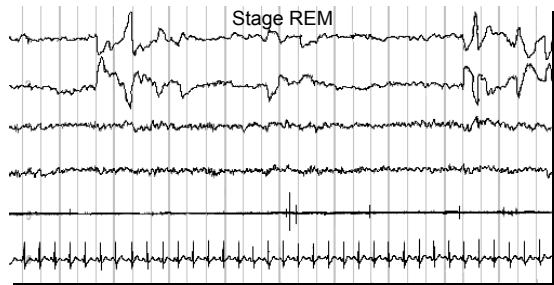
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- Rapid eye movements
- Mixed frequency EEG
- Low tonic submental EMG

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# REM Sleep

- Characteristic EEG
- Variable heart and respiratory rates
- Muscle paralysis
- REM's

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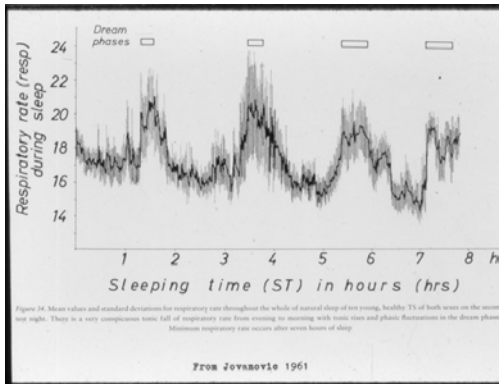
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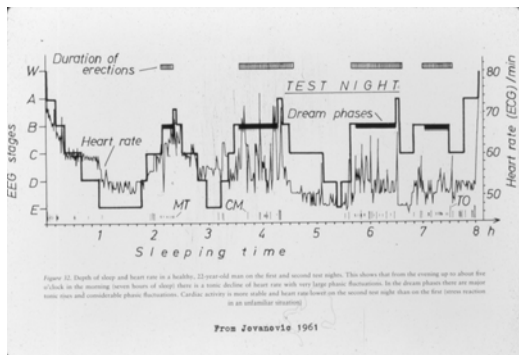
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# Sleep architecture

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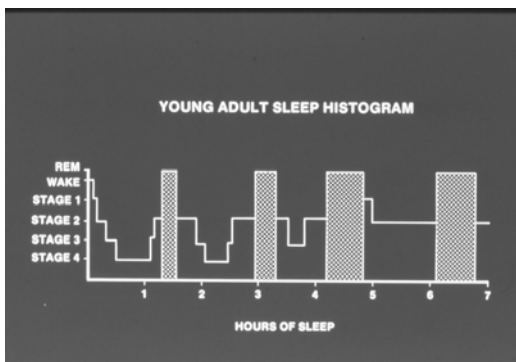
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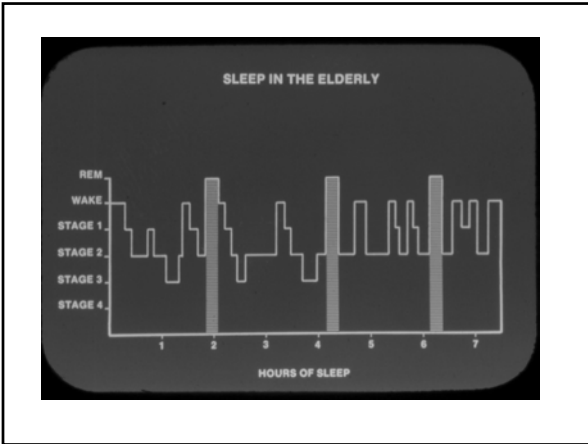
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## Consequences of Sleep Deprivation

give hints as to the function of sleep

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## Consequences of Sleep Deprivation

- A. Cognitive changes
- B. Emotional/Personality changes
- C. Physical performance decrements

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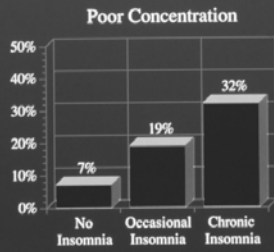
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## Difficulty Concentrating



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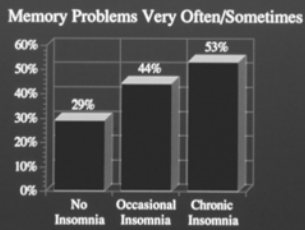
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## Memory Problems



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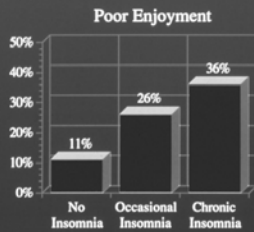
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## Inability to Enjoy Family and Social Relationships



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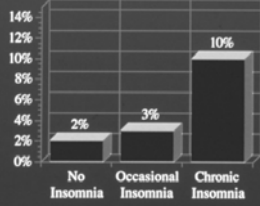
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## Fall Asleep While Visiting Friends

### Fall Asleep Very Often/Sometimes



National Sleep Foundation/Gallup Poll 1991

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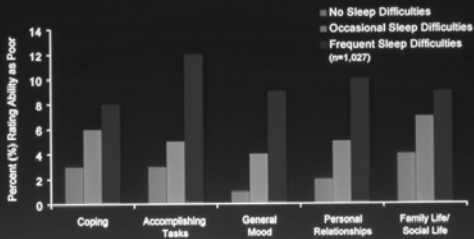
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## Impact of Sleep Difficulties on Daily Functions: General Population



$P < 0.05$   
The Gallup Survey, 1995.

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Sense of Humor  
in Sleep Deprivation

■ **Gone**

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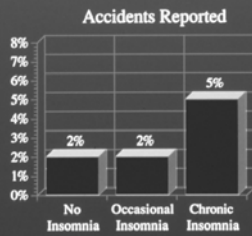
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## Auto Accidents Related to Fatigue



National Sleep Foundation/Gallup Poll 1991

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## E. Physical Changes in Body

1. Thyroid function
2. Glucose metabolism  
Insulin response
3. Stress hormone elevation
4. Decreased immune function
5. Increased cardiac risk

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## REM Deprivation

- REM pressure
- REM rebound

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**We are not aware of the extent  
to which our functioning is  
compromised by sleep  
deprivation. (U of PA study)**

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**Sleep  
Disorders**

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**The insomnias**

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## The hypersomnias

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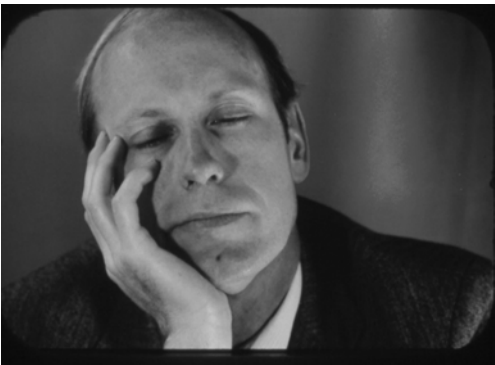
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Parasomnias

- Sleepwalking (Somnambulism)
- Sleep Terror (Pavor Nocturnus, Incubus)
- Enuresis
- Dream Anxiety Attacks
- Bruxism
- Abnormal Swallowing
- Cardiovascular Symptoms
- Gastroesophageal Reflux
- Jactatio Capitis Nocturna
- Cluster Headaches and Chronic Paroxysmal Hemicrania

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**Disorders of  
the biological clock**

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**THE  
NARCOLEPSY  
SYNDROME**

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**NARCOLEPSY TETRAD**

- 1) EXCESSIVE DAYTIME SLEEPINESS
- 2) CATAPLEXY
- 3) SLEEP PARALYSIS
- 4) HYPNAGOGIC HALLUCINATIONS

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**EXCESSIVE DAYTIME SLEEPINESS IS USUALLY, BUT NOT ALWAYS, THE MOST PROMINENT AND TROUBLE-SOME COMPONENT OF THE TETRAD**

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**CATAPLEXY IS A BRIEF (SECONDS TO MINUTES) EPISODE OF MUSCLE WEAKNESS AND/OR PARALYSIS. WHEN ATTACK IS OVER, PATIENT IS COMPLETELY NORMAL**

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**Snoring  
and  
Sleep Apnea**

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**Sleep walking -  
Somnambulism**

**Sleep terrors**

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**REM sleep  
behavior disorder**

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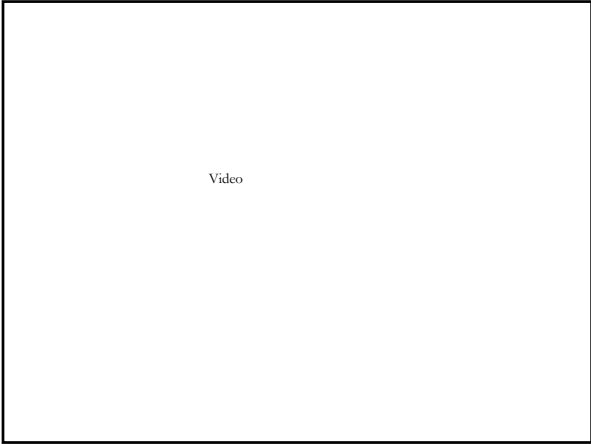
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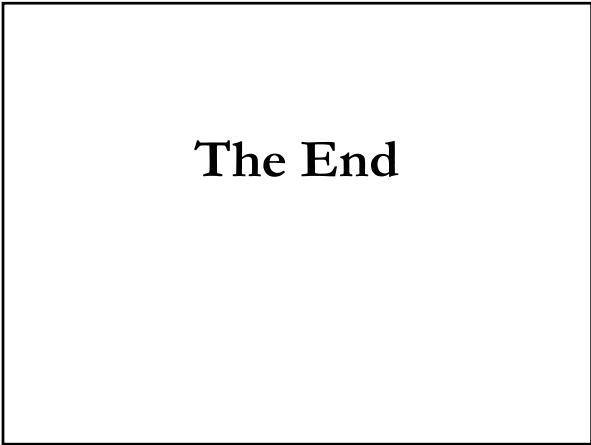
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